



Statistical Design of Experiments

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Tutorial Problems

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Example 1: Fractional Factorial Design

8.11. An article in *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry* (“More on Planning Experiments to Increase Research Efficiency,” 1970, pp. 60–65) uses a 2^{5-2} design to investigate the effect of A = condensation temperature, B = amount of material 1, C = solvent volume, D = condensation time, and E = amount of material 2 on yield. The results obtained are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} e &= 23.2 & ad &= 16.9 \\ ab &= 15.5 & bc &= 16.2 \\ cd &= 23.8 & bde &= 16.8 \\ ace &= 23.4 & abcde &= 18.1 \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Verify that the design generators used were $I = ACE$ and $I = BDE$.
- (b) Write down the complete defining relation and the aliases for this design.
- (c) Estimate the main effects.
- (d) Prepare an analysis of variance table. Verify that the AB and AD interactions are available to use as error.



Example 2: Robust Design

1) The factor table is given below

| Control Factors | Levels | | |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| A. Temperature (C) | T ₀ - 25 | T ₀ * | T ₀ + 25 |
| B. Pressure (mtorr) | P ₀ - 200 | P ₀ * | P ₀ + 200 |
| C. Settling time (min) | t ₀ * | t ₀ + 8 | t ₀ + 16 |
| D. Cleaning method | None* | CM2 | CM3 |

3) Calculate the level averages for each factor an fill in the table below

| Factor | Levels | | |
|--------------------|--------|---|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| A. Temperature | | | |
| B. Pressure | | | |
| C. Setting Time | | | |
| D. Cleaning Method | | | |

4) Plot factor effects graph using the table above

5) Compute ANOVA and rank order the factor effects.

| Expt No | Temperature A | Pressure B | Settling Time C | Cleaning Method D | Observations η |
|---------|------------------|------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $\eta_1=-20$ |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | $\eta_2=-10$ |
| 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | $\eta_3=-30$ |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | $\eta_4=-25$ |
| 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | $\eta_5=-45$ |
| 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | $\eta_6=-65$ |
| 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | $\eta_7=-45$ |
| 8 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | $\eta_8=-65$ |
| 9 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | $\eta_9=-70$ |