

# Chapter 6 - Two-level ( $2^k$ ) Factorial Designs

# 6.1. The $2^k$ Factorial Design

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- Two-level factorial: special case of general factorial
  - ❑ We have  $k$  factors. All factors at two levels
  - ❑ “-” and “+” denote the low and high levels of a factor, respectively
  - ❑  $2^k$  factorial designs provide smallest number of runs with which the joint effects of  $k$  factors can be studied
  - ❑ Total number of observations in complete experiment
$$2 \times 2 \times \cdots \times 2 \times n = n2^k$$
- Very useful as factor “screening” experiments
  - ❑ Screening is done early stages of experimental work when many factors investigated but only some are likely important

# 6.1. The $2^k$ Factorial Design - Assumptions

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- Response approximately linear
  - ❑ each factor tested at two levels: only linear effects are estimable
  - ❑ In screening experiments when we are just starting to study the process this is a reasonable assumption
  - ❑ Section 6.8. for testing significance of curvature
- Runs are completely randomized
  - ❑ Chapter 7: Blocking in  $2^k$  design
- Normal and constant variance errors
  - ❑ Section 6.6. for variance stabilizing transformations

# Background: Binary Orthogonal Vectors

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- Used in all your cell phones (from the towers to the cell phones)
- All digits are either -1 or +1
- Orthogonal if “dot-product” = 0
- Examples

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☐ +1, +1, -1, -1

☐ -1, +1, +1, -1

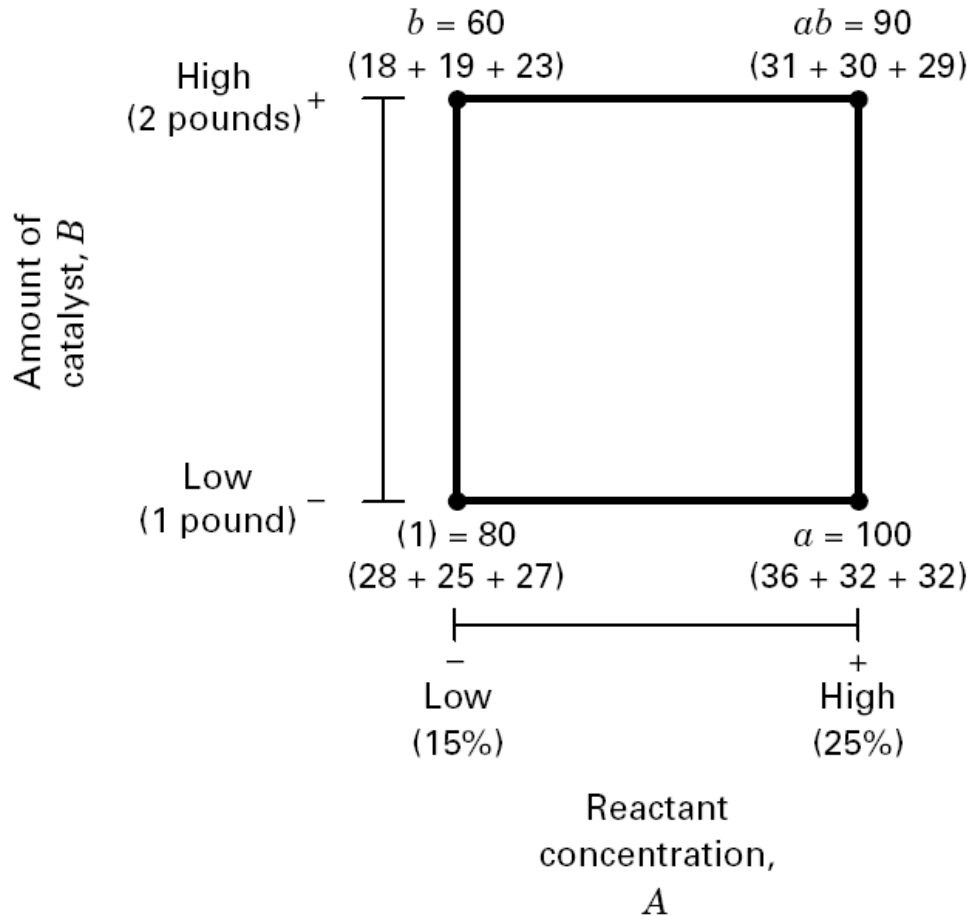
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## 6.2. The $2^2$ design



- Four combinations: corners of a square
- Geometrical view is helpful to determine expressions for the effect estimates
  - change in response produced by a change in the level of factor (average over levels of all other factors)
- Treatment combinations represented as:  $(1), a, b, ab$ 
  - Also to represent the totals of the response observations taken at the treatment combinations:  $(1), a, b, ab$

# Estimation of Factor Effects from Contrasts

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- For two-level designs the effect estimates are determined from **contrasts**

$$Effect = \frac{Contrast}{n2^{k-1}}$$

- Contrast: a linear function of the treatment combinations in which coefficients sum to zero

$$Contrast_A = ab + a - b - (1)$$

$$Contrast_B = ab + b - a - (1)$$

$$Contrast_{AB} = ab + (1) - a - b$$

- For  $k=2$ , and for Factor A effect

$$A = \frac{Contrast_A}{2n} = \frac{ab + a - b - (1)}{2n}$$

# Contrasts to obtain the SS and ANOVA

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- For two-level designs contrasts can be used to determine sum of squares

$$SS_{Effect} = \frac{(contrast)^2}{n2^k}$$

- For  $k=2$  and factor A

$$SS_A = \frac{(ab + a - b - (1))^2}{4n}$$

# Finding the contrast coefficients of $2^k$ designs

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- Get contrast coefficients from **table of +/- signs**

□ Treatment combinations in **standard order**  
*(1), a, b, ab*

Treatment	A	B	AB
(1)	-	-	+
a	+	-	-
b	-	+	-
ab	+	+	+

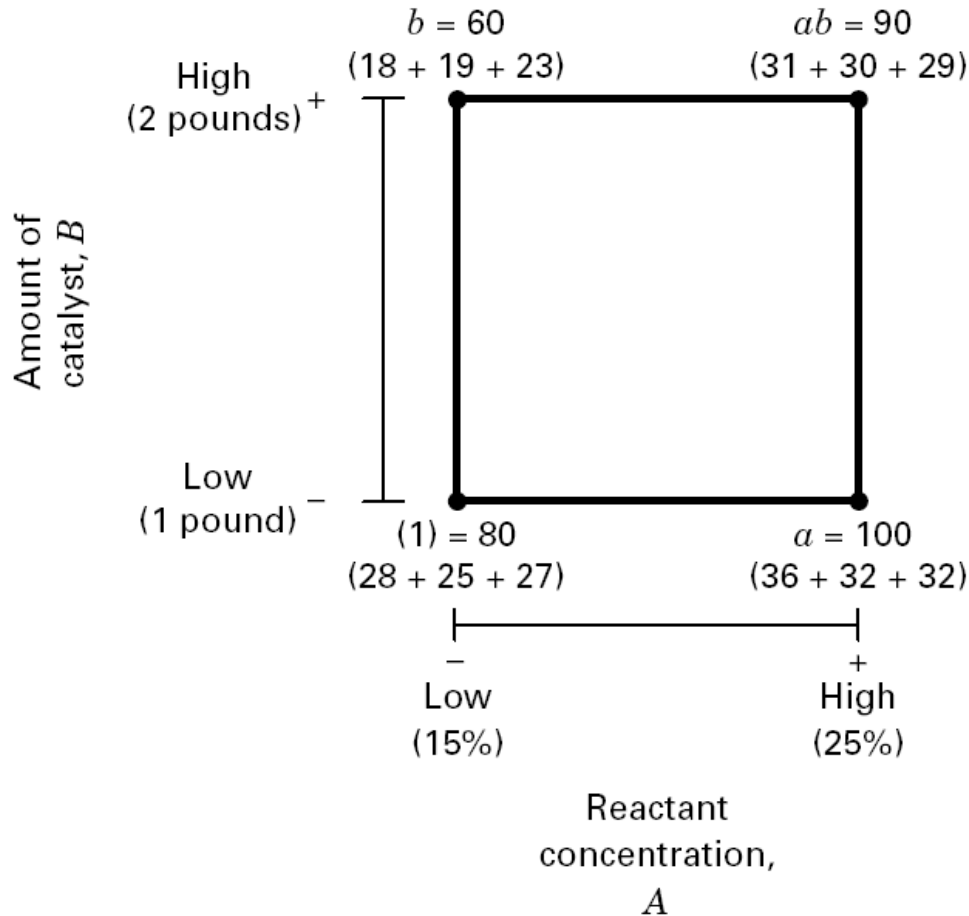
$$\text{Contrast}_A = ab - b + a - (1)$$

$$\text{Contrast}_B = ab + b - a - (1)$$

$$\text{Contrast}_{AB} = ab - b - a + (1)$$



# Estimation of Factor Effects (ex. 1)



- Effect of A at high level of B (*A at B<sup>+</sup>*)

$$\frac{ab - b}{n}$$

- Effect of A at low level of B (*A at B<sup>-</sup>*)

$$\frac{a - (1)}{n}$$

- Main effect of A

$$A = \frac{A \text{ at } B^+ + A \text{ at } B^-}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2n} [ab - b + a - (1)]$$

- Interaction effect AB:

$$AB = \frac{A \text{ at } B^+ - A \text{ at } B^-}{2}$$

$$AB = \frac{1}{2n} [ab - b - a + (1)]$$

# Contrasts to obtain the SS and ANOVA

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- Total sum of squares ( $SS_T$ ) has *d.f. = 4n-1*

$$SS_T = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^n (y_{ijk} - \bar{y}_{...})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^n y_{ijk}^2 - y_{...}^2/N$$

- Each of  $SS_A$ ,  $SS_B$  and  $SS_{AB}$  has *d.f. = 1*
- Error sum of squares ( $SSE$ ) has *d.f. = 4(n-1)*

$$SS_E = SS_T - SS_A - SS_B - SS_{AB}$$

# Effects of chemical process example

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- Effect of A

$$A = [ab + a - b - (1)]/2n$$
$$= [90 + 100 - 60 - 80]/6 = 50/6 = 8.33$$

- Increasing reactant concentration from 15% to 25% increases yield by 8.33%

- Effect of B

$$B = [ab - a + b - (1)]/2n$$
$$= [90 - 100 + 60 - 80]/6 = -30/6 = -5.00$$

- Effect of AB

$$AB = [ab - a - b + (1)]/2n$$
$$= [90 - 100 - 60 + 80]/6 = 10/6 = 1.67$$

# ANOVA for chemical process example

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$$SS_A = \frac{(ab+a-b-(1))^2}{4n} = (50)^2/(4(3)) = 208.33$$

$$SS_B = (-30)^2/(4(3)) = 75.00$$

$$SS_{AB} = (10)^2/(4(3)) = 8.33$$

$$SS_T = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^n y_{ijk}^2 - \frac{y_{\dots}^2}{N} = 323.00$$

$$SS_E = 323.00 - 208.33 - 75 - 8.33 = 31.34$$

# ANOVA for chemical process example

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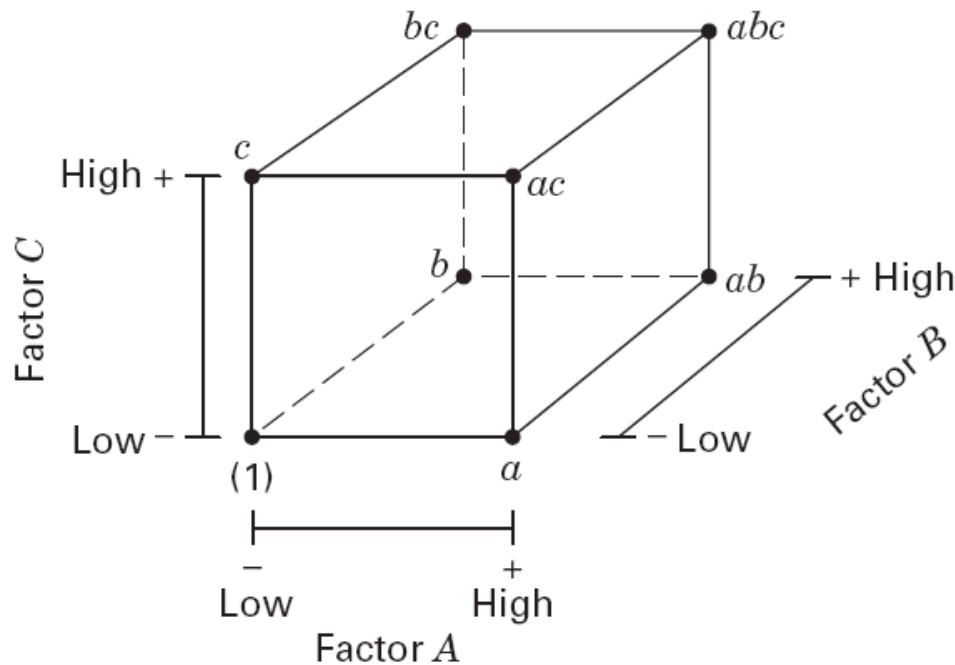
- To test all effects, use  $F_{0.05,1,8} = 5.32$
- A and B are significant. AB is not significant

■ **TABLE 6.1**

**Analysis of Variance for the Experiment in Figure 6.1**

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square	$F_q$	$P$ -Value
<i>A</i>	208.33	1	208.33	53.15	0.0001
<i>B</i>	75.00	1	75.00	19.13	0.0024
<i>AB</i>	8.33	1	8.33	2.13	0.1826
Error	31.34	8	3.92		
Total	323.00	11			

# 6.3. The $2^3$ Factorial Design



(a) Geometric view

Standard order

Run	Factor		
	A	B	C
1	-	-	-
2	+	-	-
3	-	+	-
4	+	+	-
5	-	-	+
6	+	-	+
7	-	+	+
8	+	+	+

(b) Design matrix

Three factors, A, B and C. All tested at 2 levels.

$2^3$  design: eight treatment combinations can be displayed geometrically as a cube (a) or using the + and - notation as in a table (b)

## 6.3. The $2^3$ Factorial Design

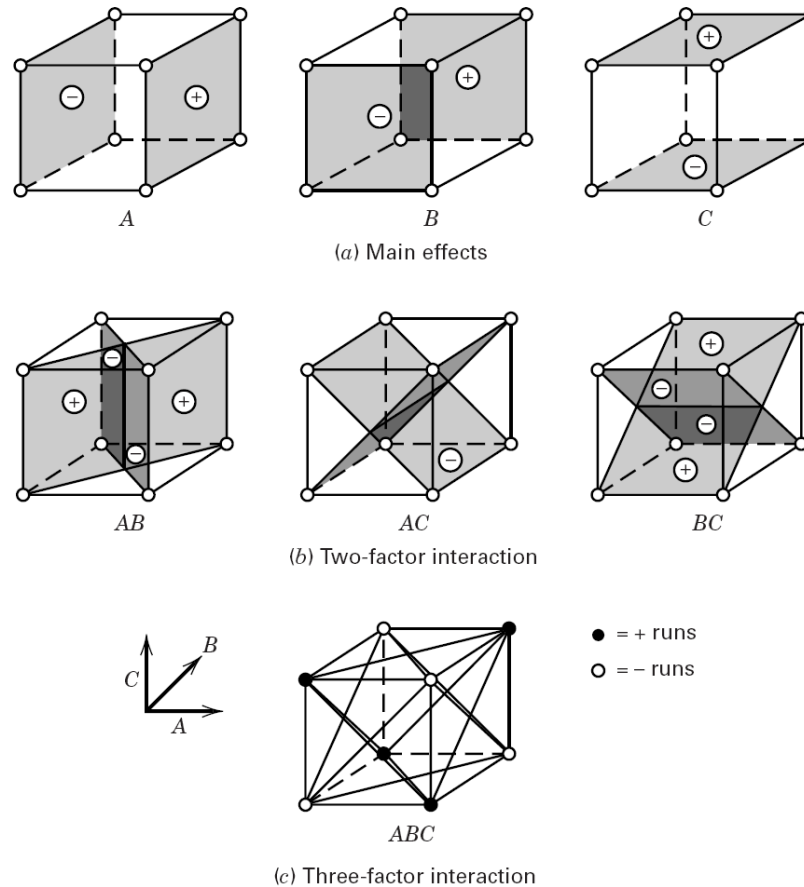
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- Write design matrix using the treatment combinations
  - Similar to the  $2^2$  design: presence of a (lower case) letter indicates factor level is high, absence indicates factor level is low

A	B	C	Treatment
-	-	-	(1)
+	-	-	a
-	+	-	b
+	+	-	ab
-	-	+	c
+	-	+	ac
-	+	+	bc
+	+	+	abc

# Effects in The $2^3$ Factorial Design

■ **FIGURE 6.5**  
Geometric presentation of contrasts corresponding to the main effects and interactions in the  $2^3$  design



$$A = \bar{y}_{A^+} - \bar{y}_{A^-}$$

$$B = \bar{y}_{B^+} - \bar{y}_{B^-}$$

$$C = \bar{y}_{C^+} - \bar{y}_{C^-}$$

etc, etc, ...

Effect of any factor: change in  $y$  produced by a change in the factor averaged over levels of all other factors



# Effects in The $2^3$ Factorial Design

Main effect of A: Average of four runs at high level minus average of four runs at low level

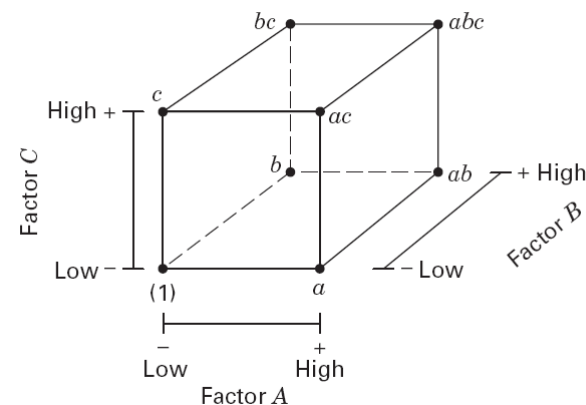
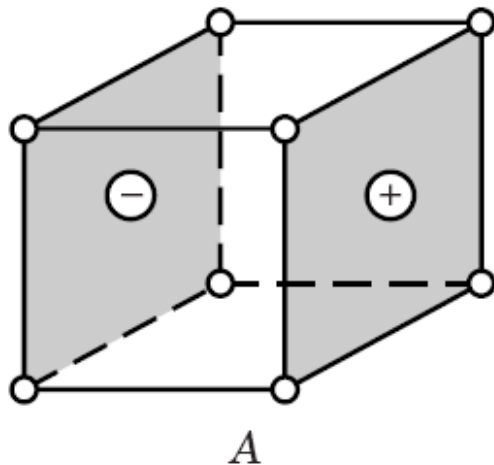
$$A = \bar{y}_{A^+} - \bar{y}_{A^-}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{4n} [a + ab + ac + abc - ((1) + b + c + bc)]$$

Alternatively: Average of A effect at 4 different B and C values

$$A = \frac{A \text{ at } B^-C^- + A \text{ at } B^+C^- + A \text{ at } B^-C^+ + A \text{ at } B^+C^+}{4}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{4n} [a - (1) + ab - b + ac - c + abc - bc]$$



# Table of – and + signs to find contrast coefficients in the $2^3$ Factorial Design (pg. 244)

■ TABLE 6.3

Algebraic Signs for Calculating Effects in the  $2^3$  Design

Treatment Combination	Factorial Effect							
	<i>I</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>AB</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>AC</i>	<i>BC</i>	<i>ABC</i>
(1)	+	–	–	+	–	+	+	–
<i>a</i>	+	+	–	–	–	–	+	+
<i>b</i>	+	–	+	–	–	+	–	+
<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	+	–	–	–	–
<i>c</i>	+	–	–	+	+	–	–	+
<i>ac</i>	+	+	–	–	+	+	–	–
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<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	+	–	–	–	–
<i>c</i>	+	–	–	+	+	–	–	+
<i>ac</i>	+	+	–	–	+	+	–	–
<i>bc</i>	+	–	+	–	+	–	+	–
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \frac{\text{Contrast}_A}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{[-(1) + a - b + ab - c + ac - bc + abc]}{4n}
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<i>c</i>	+	–	–	+	+	–	–	+
<i>ac</i>	+	+	–	–	+	+	–	–
<i>bc</i>	+	–	+	–	+	–	+	–
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

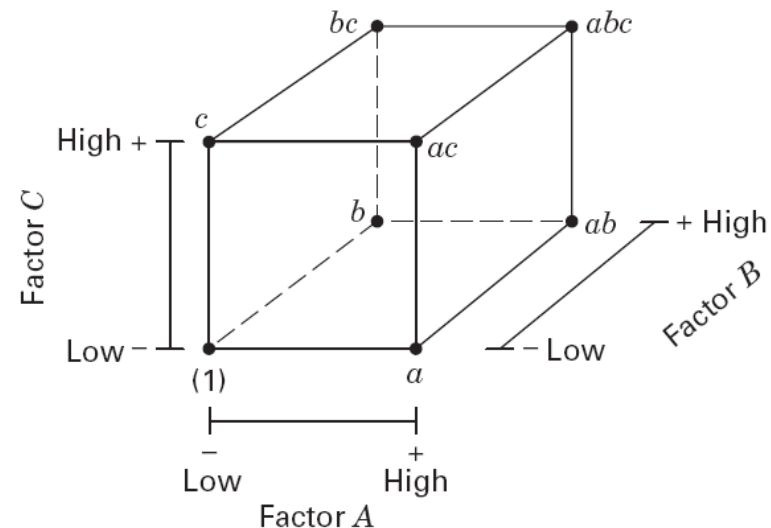
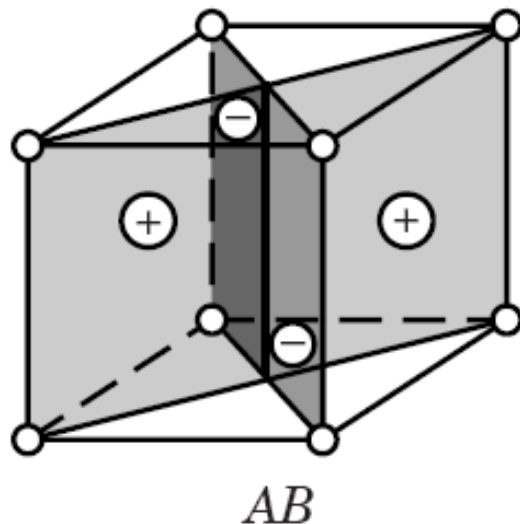
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Divide by 4n: because we average over 4 combinations of B and C

# Effects in The $2^3$ Factorial Design

AB interaction: difference between the average responses on two diagonal planes of the cube

$$AB = \frac{1}{4n} [abc + ab + c + (1) - (bc + b + ac + a)]$$



## Table of – and + signs for calculating effects in the 2<sup>3</sup> Factorial Design (pg. 244)

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<i>a</i>	+	+	–	–	–	–	+	+
<i>b</i>	+	–	+	–	–	+	–	+
<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	+	–	–	–	–
<i>c</i>	+	–	–	+	+	–	–	+
<i>ac</i>	+	+	–	–	+	+	–	–
<i>bc</i>	+	–	+	–	+	–	+	–
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= \frac{\text{Contrast}_{AB}}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{[(1) - a - b + ab + c - ac - bc + abc]}{4n}
 \end{aligned}$$

# General formula for $2^k$ design

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- Estimate of an effect

$$AB \dots K = \frac{\text{contrast}_{AB \dots K}}{n2^{k-1}}$$

- Sum of squares of an effect

$$SS_{AB \dots K} = \frac{(\text{contrast}_{AB \dots K})^2}{n2^k}$$

- Note: Find the contrast: using table of – and + signs may be impractical for large  $k$ 
  - Use Eq. 6.21 (p. 255)

## 6.4. The General $2^k$ Factorial Design

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- There will be  $k$  main effects, and

$\binom{k}{2}$  two-factor interactions

$\binom{k}{3}$  three-factor interactions

$\vdots$

1  $k$  – factor interaction

- Complete model has  $2^k - 1$  effects



# ANOVA table for a $2^k$ design with $n$ replicates

■ TABLE 6.9

Analysis of Variance for a  $2^k$  Design

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom
$k$ main effects		
$A$	$SS_A$	1
$B$	$SS_B$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$K$	$SS_K$	1
$\binom{k}{2}$ two-factor interactions		
$AB$	$SS_{AB}$	1
$AC$	$SS_{AC}$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$JK$	$SS_{JK}$	1
$\binom{k}{3}$ three-factor interactions		
$ABC$	$SS_{ABC}$	1
$ABD$	$SS_{ABD}$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$IJK$	$SS_{IJK}$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\binom{k}{k}$ $k$ -factor interaction		
$ABC \cdots K$	$SS_{ABC \cdots K}$	1
Error	$SS_E$	$2^k(n - 1)$
Total	$SS_T$	$n2^k - 1$

- If no replications ( $n=0$ ) then the full model will have error d.f. = 0

□ We cannot estimate error variance or test for significance of the treatment effects

○  $MSE = SSE/df_E$

○  $F_0 = SSA/MSE$

# Recall: General formula for $2^k$ design

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$$AB \dots K = \frac{\text{contrast}_{AB \dots K}}{n2^{k-1}}$$

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- Note: Find the contrast: using table of – and + signs may be impractical for large k
  - Use Eq. 6.21

## 6.5 Unreplicated $2^k$ Factorial Designs

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- These are  $2^k$  factorial designs with one observation at each corner of the “cube” ( $n=1$ )
- Lack of replication causes potential problems in statistical testing
  - ❑ Replication admits an estimate of “pure error” (internal estimate of error)
  - ❑ With no replication, fitting full model results in zero degrees of freedom for error
  - ❑ With only one observation at each corner, if response is highly variable then misleading conclusions may result from experiment (fitting the model to noise)

# What about replicants

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- $2^k$  is already a really big number...
- You could:
  - ☐ Ignore higher order effects
  - ☐ Do a normplot to find out which things you care about, remove the others and call them noise...
  - ☐ Increase the distance between factor levels
  - ☐ Increase Type-1 errors

# Estimate error variance in unreplicated $2^k$

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- An approach to analyze unreplicated design
  - Sparsity of effects principle: systems are typically dominated by main effects or low order interactions
  - Assume certain high-order interactions negligible and pool their mean squares to form the error mean square
- How to determine which high order interactions are negligible?

# Normal probability plot of estimates of effects

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- The effects that are negligible are normally distributed with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$ 
  - if normal distribution is adequate then the plotted data will fall on a straight line
  - Negligible effects will fall on a straight line, significant effects (with nonzero means) will fall far from a straight line
- Form a preliminary model based on NPP by including the nonzero effects. Combine negligible effects to estimate error variance.

# Example 6.2. Unreplicated $2^4$ Design

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- A chemical product is produced in a pressure vessel. A factorial experiment is carried out in the pilot plant to study the factors thought to influence the filtration rate of this product
- The factors are A = temperature, B = pressure, C = formaldehyde concentration, D = stirring rate.  
Response  $y$  = filtration rate
- $2^4$  factorial. Single replicate: 16 runs.
- Goal: obtain increased filtration rate. Current rate = 75 gal/h

# The Resin Plant Experiment

■ TABLE 6.10  
Pilot Plant Filtration Rate Experiment

Run Number	Factor				Run Label	Filtration Rate (gal/h)
	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>		
1	—	—	—	—	(1)	45
2	+	—	—	—	<i>a</i>	71
3	—	+	—	—	<i>b</i>	48
4	+	+	—	—	<i>ab</i>	65
5	—	—	+	—	<i>c</i>	68
6	+	—	+	—	<i>ac</i>	60
7	—	+	+	—	<i>bc</i>	80
8	+	+	+	—	<i>abc</i>	65
9	—	—	—	+	<i>d</i>	43
10	+	—	—	+	<i>ad</i>	100
11	—	+	—	+	<i>bd</i>	45
12	+	+	—	+	<i>abd</i>	104
13	—	—	+	+	<i>cd</i>	75
14	+	—	+	+	<i>acd</i>	86
15	—	+	+	+	<i>bcd</i>	70
16	+	+	+	+	<i>abcd</i>	96

Design matrix shown in standard order. Experiments are made in random order (CRD)





# Estimates of effects, sum of squares of effects

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- Use the table of +/- signs to find the contrasts and effect estimates
  - estimate 15 effects (m.e., 2 f.i., 3f.i., 4 f.i) and their SS.

$$Effect = \frac{Contrast}{2^{k-1}}, SS = \frac{Contrast^2}{2^k}$$

- Example

$$\begin{aligned} D &= contrast_D / 2^3 \\ &= (-y_1 - \dots - y_8 + y_9 + \dots + y_{16}) / 8 \\ &= 117 / 8 = 14.625 \\ SSD &= contrast_D^2 / 2^4 \\ &= 117^2 / 16 = 855.563 \end{aligned}$$

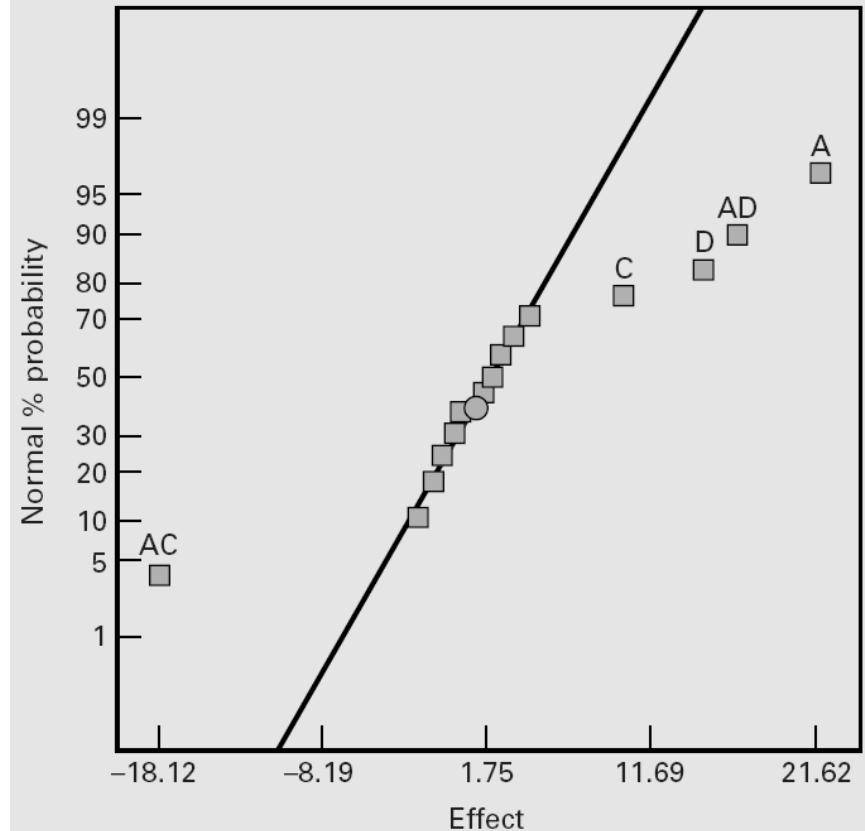
- Repeat for A,B,C,...etc.,

# Estimates of effects, sum of squares of effects and NPP of effects

■ **TABLE 6.12**

**Factor Effect Estimates and Sums of Squares for the  $2^4$  Factorial in Example 6.2**

Model Term	Effect Estimate	Sum of Squares	Percent Contribution
<i>A</i>	21.625	1870.56	32.6397
<i>B</i>	3.125	39.0625	0.681608
<i>C</i>	9.875	390.062	6.80626
<i>D</i>	14.625	855.563	14.9288
<i>AB</i>	0.125	0.0625	0.00109057
<i>AC</i>	-18.125	1314.06	22.9293
<i>AD</i>	16.625	1105.56	19.2911
<i>BC</i>	2.375	22.5625	0.393696
<i>BD</i>	-0.375	0.5625	0.00981515
<i>CD</i>	-1.125	5.0625	0.0883363
<i>ABC</i>	1.875	14.0625	0.245379
<i>ABD</i>	4.125	68.0625	1.18763
<i>ACD</i>	-1.625	10.5625	0.184307
<i>BCD</i>	-2.625	27.5625	0.480942
<i>ABCD</i>	1.375	7.5625	0.131959

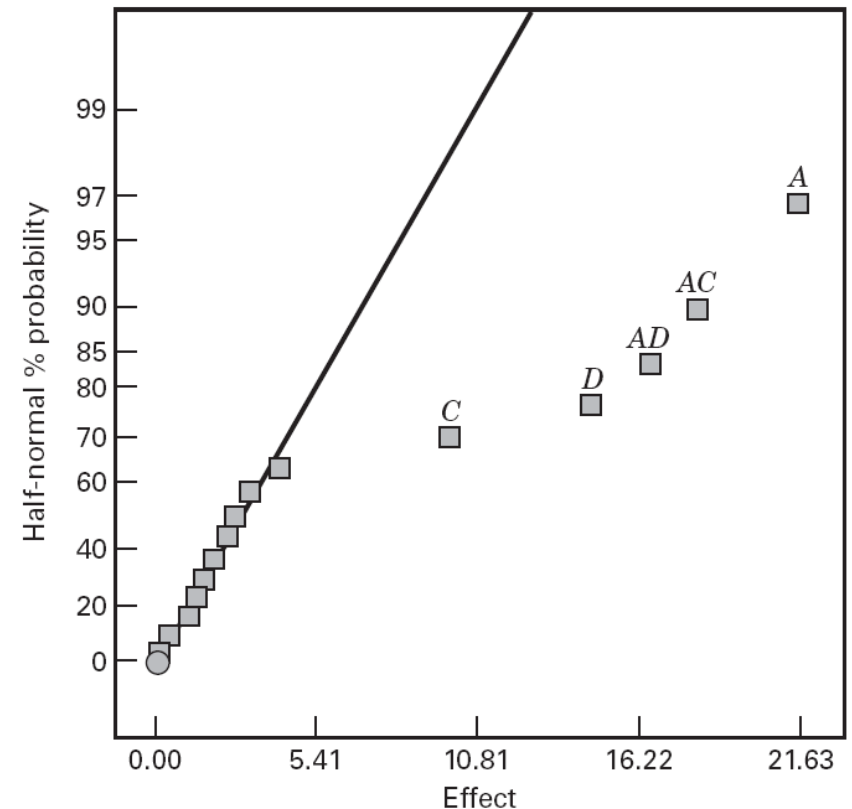


■ **FIGURE 6.11** Normal probability plot of the effects for the  $2^4$  factorial in Example 6.2

Effects that lie along line negligible: labels not shown  
Effects that lie far from line are large: A, C, D, AC, AD

# Half-Normal Probability Plot of Effects

- An alternative to the NPP of factor effects is the half-normal probability plot
  - ❑ Absolute value of effect estimates against their cumulative normal probabilities
  - ❑ Straight line always passes from the origin and should pass close to the 50th percentile of data
  - ❑ Makes it easier than NPP to rank the effects since only the magnitudes of effects are considered



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- From the NPP of effect estimates following effects appear to be non-negligible

A, C, D, AC, AD

- Fit a model that contains only these terms. Drop the insignificant terms, which will be used to form the error SS

B, AB, BC, BD, CD, ABC, ABD, ACD, BCD, ABCD

# Work for today

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- Develop our own +/- chart
- Analyze dof for  $2^3$  w/out replicates or blocking
- Analyze dof for  $2^3$  w/ blocking and replicates
- Analyze dof for  $2^3$  w/out replicates and w/ blocking (*confounding*)
  - ❑ Random blocking design
  - ❑ Blocking aligned with a effect
- Analyze dof for  $2^3$  w/replicates and w/ blocking (smaller than  $2^3$ )
  - ❑ Designing blocking to enable testing of all effects

# Fractional Factorial Designs

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  - ❑ information on main effects and low order interactions can be obtained by running a fraction of the complete factorial (assuming certain high-order interactions are negligible)
- Emphasis is on factor screening; efficiently identify the factors with large effects
  - ❑ There may be many variables (often because we don't know much about the system)
  - ❑ Factors identified as important are to be investigated more thoroughly in follow up experiments
- Almost always run as unreplicated, but often with center points



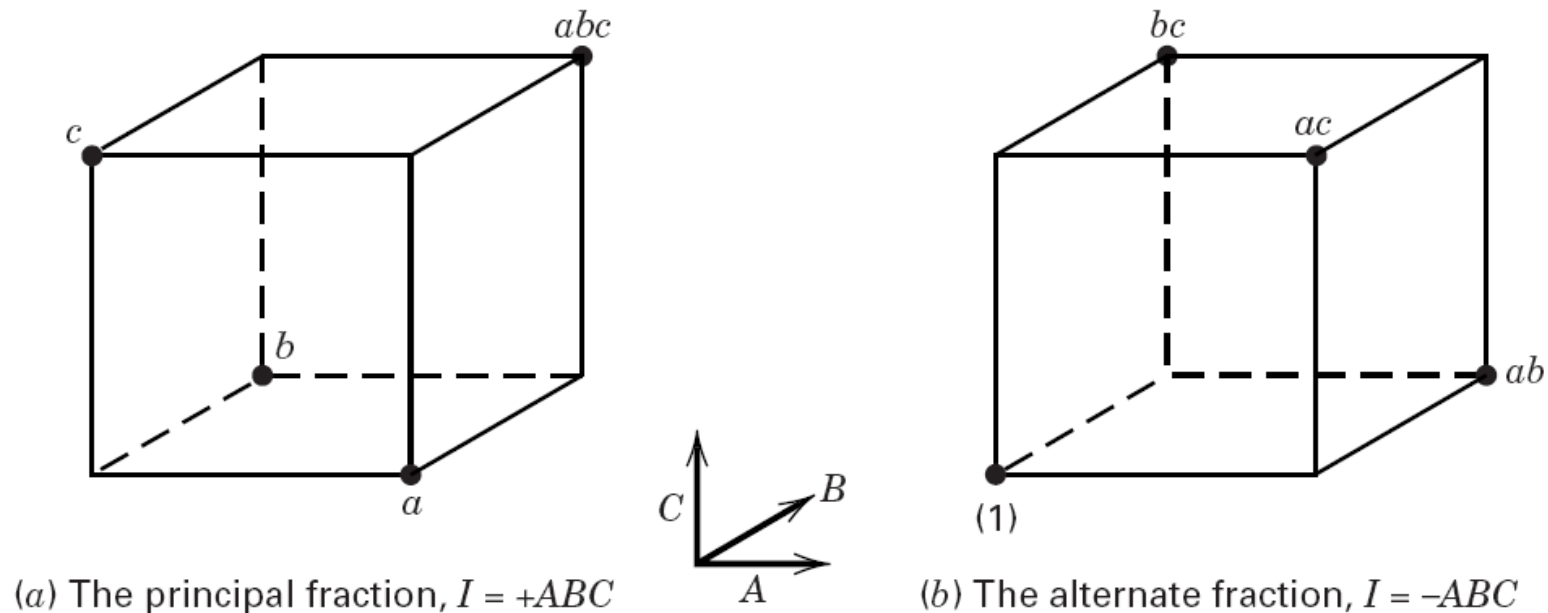
# Why do Fractional Factorial Designs Work?

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- The sparsity of effects principle
  - ❑ There may be lots of factors, but few are important
  - ❑ System is dominated by main effects, low-order interactions
- The projection property
  - ❑ Every fractional factorial contains full factorials in fewer factors
- Sequential experimentation
  - ❑ Can add runs to a fractional factorial to resolve difficulties (or ambiguities) in interpretation

## 8.2. The One-Half Fraction of the $2^k$

- One half of  $2^k$ . Referred to as a  $2^{k-1}$
- Example: the  $2^{3-1}$



■ **FIGURE 8.1** The two one-half fractions of the  $2^3$  design

Sufficient to conduct either one of these two fractional experiments

# One-Half Fraction $2^{3-1}$

- The fraction is formed by selecting combinations with “+” or “-” in  $ABC$  column
  - $ABC$  is the Generator of this particular fraction
- If we choose  $a, b, c$  and  $abc$  as the combinations to run
  - $I = ABC$  is the Defining Relation of the design (Principal Fraction)
  - Defining relation: set of all columns equal to identity column  $I$ .

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Plus and Minus Signs for the  $2^3$  Factorial Design

Treatment Combination	Factorial Effect							
	$I$	$A$	$B$	$C$	$AB$	$AC$	$BC$	$ABC$
$a$	+	+	−	−	−	−	+	+
$b$	+	−	+	−	−	+	−	+
$c$	+	−	−	+	+	−	−	+
$abc$	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
$ab$	+	+	+	−	+	−	−	−
$ac$	+	+	−	+	−	+	−	−
$bc$	+	−	+	+	−	−	+	−
(1)	+	−	−	−	+	+	+	−

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$abc$	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
$ab$	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-
$ac$	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-
$bc$	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
(1)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-

Principal  
fraction:  
 $I = ABC$

# Construction of a One-half Fraction

- Example: one-half fraction of a  $2^3$ , using  $I=ABC$  as the defining relation (principal fraction)
  - Write down basic design on  $A$  and  $B$  (For  $2^k$ , basic design is full factorial on  $k-1$  factors)
  - Find levels of  $C$  from defining relation  $I=ABC$  or  $C=AB$

■ TABLE 8.2

The Two One-Half Fractions of the  $2^3$  Design

Run	Full $2^2$ Factorial (Basic Design)		$2^{3-1}_{III}, I = ABC$			$2^{3-1}_{III}, I = -ABC$		
	$A$	$B$	$A$	$B$	$C = AB$	$A$	$B$	$C = -AB$
1	—	—	—	—	+	—	—	—
2	+	—	+	—	—	+	—	+
3	—	+	—	+	—	—	+	+
4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	—

# One-Half Fraction $2^{3-1}$

- Two possible fractions and their defining relations:
  - $I = ABC$  principle fraction
  - $I = -ABC$  alternate fraction
- If no restrictions on treatment combinations specified, by default only the principle fraction is conducted

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<i>a</i>	+	+	−	−	−	−	+	+
<i>b</i>	+	−	+	−	−	+	−	+
<i>c</i>	+	−	−	+	+	−	−	+
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	−	+	−	−	−
<i>ac</i>	+	+	−	+	−	+	−	−
<i>bc</i>	+	−	+	+	−	−	+	−
(1)	+	−	−	−	+	+	+	−

Principal  
fraction:  
 $I = ABC$

# Principal one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

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- Estimates of main effects A, B, and C from the principal fraction  $2^{3-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}[A] &= \frac{1}{2}(a - b - c + abc) \\[B] &= \frac{1}{2}(-a + b - c + abc) \\[C] &= \frac{1}{2}(-a - b + c + abc)\end{aligned}$$

# Principal one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

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- Estimates of main effects A, B, and C from the principal fraction  $2^{3-1}$

$$[A] = \frac{1}{2} (a - b - c + abc)$$

$$[B] = \frac{1}{2} (-a + b - c + abc)$$

$$[C] = \frac{1}{2} (-a - b + c + abc)$$

- Estimates of interaction effects AB, AC, and BC from the principal fraction  $2^{3-1}$

$$[AB] = \frac{1}{2} (-a - b + c + abc)$$

$$[AC] = \frac{1}{2} (-a + b - c + abc)$$

$$[BC] = \frac{1}{2} (a - b - c + abc)$$

- Notation  $[.]$  is used to indicate the “linear combinations associated with effect estimates”



# Principal one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

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- Linear combination for estimating main effect A is same as that used for estimating the interaction effect BC.
  - Thus,  $[A]=[BC]$ , or A and BC are aliases
  - impossible to differentiate between effect of A and effect of BC
- We indicate this by the notation
$$[A] \rightarrow A+BC$$
  - When we estimate A we are really estimating A+BC
- This phenomena is called aliasing and it occurs in all fractional designs

# Principal one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

- Aliases of  $2^{3-1}$  with defining relation  $I = ABC$

$[A] = 1/2 (a - b - c + abc)$  and  $[BC] = 1/2 (a - b - c + abc)$      $A$  aliased with  $BC$

$[B] = 1/2 (-a + b - c + abc)$  and  $[AC] = 1/2 (-a + b - c + abc)$      $B$  aliased with  $AC$

$[C] = 1/2 (-a - b + c + abc)$  and  $[AB] = 1/2 (-a - b + c + abc)$      $C$  aliased with  $AB$

- Aliases are found from columns of the Table of +/ - signs

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<i>b</i>	+	−	+	−	−	+	−	+
<i>c</i>	+	−	−	+	+	−	−	+
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	−	+	−	−	−
<i>ac</i>	+	+	−	+	−	+	−	−
<i>bc</i>	+	−	+	+	−	−	+	−
(1)	+	−	−	−	+	+	+	−

$[B]=[AC]$ ,  
thus, B and  
AC are  
aliases

# Principal one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

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- Complete alias structure of the fraction is

$$[A] \rightarrow A+BC$$

$$[B] \rightarrow B+AC$$

$$[C] \rightarrow C+AB$$

❑ Main effects aliased with 2 factor interactions (*m.e.* = 2 *f.i.*)

❑ A Resolution III design (more on this later)

- Complete alias structure is found from  $I = ABC$  (defining relation)

$$A(I = ABC) \text{ or } A = A^2BC \text{ or } [A] = [BC]$$

$$B(I = ABC) \text{ or } [B] = [AC]$$

$$C(I = ABC) \text{ or } [C] = [AB]$$

- Complete alias structure of a fractional consists of  $2^{k-p} - 1$  “alias relations” or “alias chains”

❑ Ex: For  $k = 3$  and  $p = 1$ , there are  $2^{3-1} - 1 = 3$  alias chains

# Alternate one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

$$[A]' = 1/2 (ab + ac - bc - (1))$$

A aliased with -BC

$$[B]' = 1/2 (ab - ac + bc - (1))$$

B aliased with -AC

$$[C]' = 1/2 (-ab + ac + bc - (1))$$

C aliased with -AB

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<i>b</i>	+	−	+	−	−	+	−	+
<i>c</i>	+	−	−	+	+	−	−	+
<i>abc</i>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
<i>ab</i>	+	+	+	−	+	−	−	−
<i>ac</i>	+	+	−	+	−	+	−	−
<i>bc</i>	+	−	+	+	−	−	+	−
(1)	+	−	−	−	+	+	+	−

Alternative  
fraction:

# Alternate one-half fraction $2^{3-1}$

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- $I = -ABC$  is the defining relation
- Implies slightly different alias structure:

$$[A]' = -[BC]'$$

$$[B]' = -[AC]'$$

$$[C]' = -[AB]'$$

- or

$$[A]' \rightarrow A-BC$$

$$[B]' \rightarrow B-AC$$

$$[C]' \rightarrow C-AB$$

# Backup slides (Chapter 7)

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# Blocking & Confounding in the $2^k$ Design

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- Blocking is a technique for dealing with controllable nuisance variables
  - ❑ Useful when it is not possible to conduct the entire set of experimental combinations under homogeneous conditions
  - ❑ Examples: time periods, batches of raw material, operators, etc. – homogeneous experimental units
  - ❑ Form set of homogeneous units as “Blocks” and perform the statistical analyses with the knowledge of which runs belongs to which block
- We have seen blocking in general factorial designs
  - ❑ Chapter 4 (single factor) and Chapter 5.6 (multi-factors)
- Chapter 7: blocking in  $2^k$  factorial designs
  - ❑ Replicated designs (complete block)
  - ❑ Unreplicated designs (incomplete block)

## 7.2 Blocking a replicated $2^k$ factorial

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- $n$  replicates of  $2^k$  design; each replicate is a block
  - ❑ same scenario of Chapters 4 and 5.6
  - ❑ Complete block design: each block contains all treatment combinations
- Each block is not large enough to run all  $n2^k$  combinations but large enough to run  $2^k$  combinations
  - ❑ All  $2^k$  combinations are run in one of the  $n$  blocks
  - ❑ Runs within the block are randomized



## 7.2 Blocking a replicated $2^k$ factorial

- $2^k$  replicated  $n$  times. If each replication is a block  $\rightarrow b = n$
- Effect and SS of factors are found as if there is no blocking:  
Chapter 6 formulas for  $2^k$  designs

$$Effect = \frac{contrast}{n2^{k-1}}, \quad SS_{Effect} = \frac{(contrast)^2}{n2^k}$$

- Ex: For  $k = 2$

$$A = \frac{1}{2n} [ab + a - b - (1)]$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2n} [ab + b - a - (1)]$$

$$AB = \frac{1}{2n} [ab + (1) - a - b]$$

NOTE: These formulas work for both replicated ( $n > 1$ ) and unreplicated ( $n = 1$ ) experiments

□ Find  $SS_A, SS_B, SS_{AB}$

## 7.3. Confounding $2^k$ factorial designs

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- Unless  $k$  is small it is usually infeasible to accommodate all  $2^k$  treatments in the same block
  - ❑ Assign a fraction of the  $2^k$  treatment combinations to each block
  - ❑ each block does not contain all treatment combinations: incomplete block design
  - ❑ a complete factorial is arranged in blocks such that  $N_b < 2^k$  (i.e. block size smaller than # treatment combinations)
- Confounding: Information about certain treatment effects (usually high order interactions) will be indistinguishable from or confounded with blocks

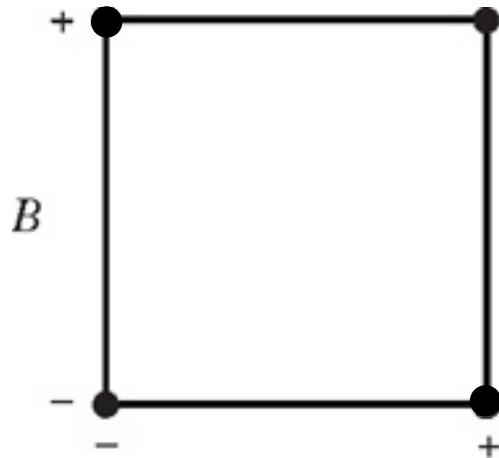
## 7.3. Confounding $2^k$ factorial designs

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- The special structure of  $2^k$  factorial designs allows one to choose which effects are confounded with incomplete blocks
- Construct and analyze a  $2^k$  factorial in  $2^p$  incomplete blocks, where  $p < k$ 
  - ❑ For  $p = 1, 2, 3$ , the design is divided into 2, 4, 8 blocks, etc.
  - ❑ Each block contains  $2^k/2^p$  or  $2^{k-p}$  treatment combinations
- Blocking arrangement
  - ❑ Number of observations in each block  $N_b = 2^{k-p}$
  - ❑ Number of blocks  $2^p$
  - ❑ Total number of observations  $N = 2^k$

## 7.4. Confounding $2^k$ factorial in Two Blocks

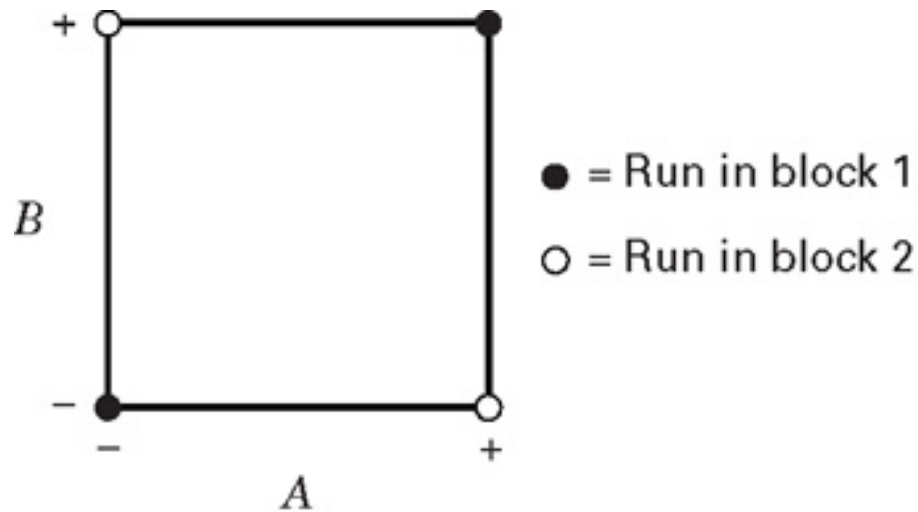
- Confound a  $2^2$  into two blocks
  - ❑ Each batch of raw material is big enough for two treatment combinations → Need two batches to run all 4 treatment combinations
  - ❑ Divide  $2^2$  treatment combinations in 2 blocks. Each batch is a block.
  - ❑ An example blocking arrangement:



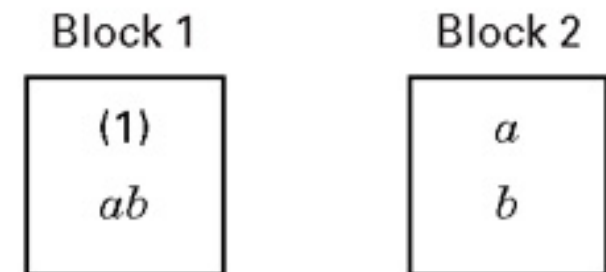
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  - ❑ An example blocking arrangement:



(a) Geometric view



(b) Assignment of the four runs to two blocks

# Confound a $2^2$ into two blocks

- Example blocking arrangement

□  $a$  and  $b$  to Block 2

□  $(1)$  and  $ab$  to Block 1

- Table of +/- signs:

□ treatments that have a “-” sign on AB assigned to Block 1

□ treatments that have a “+” sign on AB assigned to Block 2

- Estimate the effects as if no blocking had occurred

$$A = \frac{1}{2}[ab + a - b - (1)]$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2}[ab + b - a - (1)]$$

$$AB = \frac{1}{2}[ab + (1) - a - b]$$

■ TABLE 7.3

Table of Plus and Minus Signs for the  $2^2$  Design

Treatment Combination	Factorial Effect				
	$I$	$A$	$B$	$AB$	Block
(1)	+	−	−	+	1
$a$	+	+	−	−	2
$b$	+	−	+	−	2
$ab$	+	+	+	+	1