



OPTIMAL EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN

The Construction of locally D-optimal designs by canonical forms to an extension for the logistic model.



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INTRODUCTION TO OED

"Data analysis will be informative only if the data are themselves"

(Rodríguez Torreblanca C. et al. 1999)

- What does the OED consist of ?

To select **where** and **how many** observations we must collect in order to validate the study
(in sense of obtaining the results which we are pursuing)

- **Model:** $y(x) = \eta(x, \theta) + \varepsilon(x) \equiv \theta^t f(x) + \varepsilon(x), \quad x \in \chi$

$$E[\varepsilon(x)] = 0, \quad \text{Var}[\varepsilon(x)] = \sigma^2(x) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\lambda(x)}$$

- Design space (closed and compact): χ .
- Parameters vector: $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^k$.
- What values of $x \in \chi$ should it be taken the observations y in? How many are necessities?

- Exact Designs:

$N \in \mathbb{N}$ = number of experiments (or observations)

$$\xi = \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_m \\ n_1 & n_2 & \dots & n_m \end{Bmatrix}, \quad n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_m = N$$

- Approximate Designs:

Defining a probability measure on χ ,

$$\xi = \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ p_1 & p_2 & \dots & p_n \end{Bmatrix}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1 \quad \left(\text{defining } p_i = \frac{n_i}{N} \right)$$

$$\Xi = \{\text{design measures}\}, \quad \text{Support} = S_\xi = \{x \in \chi, \xi(x) > 0\}$$

- Continuous Designs:

Considering whatever probability measure (Atkinson, 1992)

- Variances-Covariances Matrix: $cov(\hat{\theta}) = \sigma^2 N^{-1} M^{-1}(\xi)$

$$M(\xi) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f(x) f^t(x) \xi(x) \text{ (Information Matrix).}$$

- Assuming $\sigma^2 = 1$, the information matrix to a design:

$$M(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \frac{\partial \eta(x_i, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \eta(x_i, \theta)}{\partial \theta^t} = X^t \Omega X$$

$$\Omega = \text{diag}(p_1, \dots, p_n)$$

- The information matrix set is compact and convex:

$$\mathcal{M} = \{M(\xi) : \xi \in \Xi\}$$

- *Caratheodory's theorem*: Each element \mathcal{M} can be expressed as a convex linear combination.

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f(x_i) f^t(x_i)$$

where $m \leq \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + 1$.

- Criterion function: $\Phi: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$
 - Convex: $\Phi[\gamma M_1 + (1 - \gamma)M_2] \leq \gamma \Phi(M_1) + (1 - \gamma)\Phi(M_2)$
 - Decreasing: $M(\xi) \geq M(\eta) \Rightarrow \Phi[M(\xi)] \geq \Phi[M(\eta)]$
 - Homogeneous: $\Phi[\delta M] = \frac{1}{\delta} \Phi[M], \quad \delta > 0$

- The ϕ -optimal design ξ^* is which minimizes ϕ .
- If ϕ is strictly convex (in non-singular matrixes), there is a only minimum $M(\xi^*)$.

CRITERIA:

- D-optimization:

$$\phi_D[M(\xi)] = \log[\det M(\xi)^{-1/k}]$$

(minimizes the volume of the confidence ellipsoid of the parameters)

- G-optimization:

$$\Phi_G[M(\xi)] = \max_x d(x, \xi) = \max_x f(x)M^{-1}(\xi)f^t(x)$$

(minimizes the maximum value of the variance)

- A-optimization:

$$\Phi_A[M(\xi)] = \text{Tr} M^{-1}(\xi)$$

(minimizes the variance promethium of the parameter estimators)

- E-optimization:

$$\Phi_E[M(\xi)] = \frac{1}{\lambda_\xi} \text{ being } \lambda_\xi \text{ the minimun eigenvalue of } M(\xi)$$

(minimizes the axis of the confidence ellipsoid)

Note: There are other criteria in which the interest is to know some or a linear combinations of the parameters

How to know if a design is optimal ?

- *General Equivalence theorem (GET):*

The following conditions are equivalents:

$$(1) \quad \max_{\xi \in \Xi} |M(\xi)| = |M(\xi^*)|$$

$$(2) \quad \min_{\xi \in \Xi} \sup_{x \in \chi} d(x, \xi) = \sup_{x \in \chi} d(x, \xi^*)$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \chi} d(x, \xi^*) &= \begin{cases} = k & \text{if } x \in \text{Supp}(\xi^*) \\ < k & \text{if } x \notin \text{Supp}(\xi^*) \end{cases} \\ &\equiv \sup_{x \in \chi} d(x, \xi^*) - k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in \text{Supp}(\xi^*) \\ < 0 & \text{if } x \notin \text{Supp}(\xi^*) \end{cases} \\ &\equiv \text{directional derivative of } \phi_D \end{aligned}$$

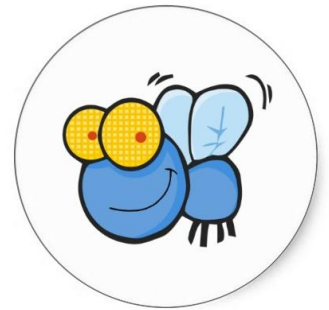
CANONICAL FORMS

- Optimal experimental design for non-linear problems depend on the values of the unknown parameters in the model.
- For various reasons, there is interest in providing explicit formulae for the optimal designs as a function of the unknown parameters.
- Certain class of generalized lineal models can be reduced to a canonical form to simplify the problem.
- The designs are constructed with a single variable using geometric and other arguments.

- It is necessary to have a design criterion invariant under transformation of the form: $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}$, where \mathbf{B} is a non-singular $k \times k$ matrix and \mathbf{x} is mapped to \mathbf{z} resulting in an introduced design space Z .
- The dependence of optimal design on the true value of Θ for given space χ is replaced by a design space which varies with Θ .
- In the literature it exists several studies with geometrical rules to construct the optimal design to the most important criteria and models.

Motivations

- There are many natural phenomena or external factors to which males and females respond differently.
- Atkinson et al. (1995) consider an experiment based on the dose-response to a fly insecticide males and females respond in a different way.
- The experiment consists of supplying a dose of insecticide on and analyzing its effectiveness.
- The characterization of this process is the impossibility to sex flies before and during the treatment application.
- In this work, it is proposed the use of canonical forms, Ford et al. (1992), in order to compute D-optimal designs.



1. MODEL

■ Logistic Model for Binary Data:

$$y|x \sim Bi(1, \eta) \text{ where } \eta(\theta, x) = \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta x + q\gamma}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x + q\gamma}} = F(\alpha + \beta x + q\gamma) , a^* \leq x \leq b^*$$

being y : number of deaths
 x : dose level
 η : probability of death
 q : factor (scores 0 males / 1 females)
 $\vartheta = (\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ parameter's vector

doing the logarithm of the probability ratio, it can be linearized :

$$\log \left(\frac{\eta}{1 - \eta} \right) = \alpha + \beta x + q\gamma = \mu$$

2. DESIGN

- Approximate design:
(Caratheodory's theorem sure us that the number of support points is finite and bounded)

$$\xi = \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ p_1 & p_2 & \dots & p_n \end{Bmatrix}$$

defined on the spatial region $\chi = [a^*, b^*]$ and
being the p_i the weight on the support points and
verifying:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$$

3. INFORMATION MATRIX

According to the previous design, the information matrix to a single observation x on an insect of known sex is :

$$M_{i,j}(x, \theta) = \omega(x, \theta) \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \theta_i} \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \theta_j} \quad \text{being} \quad \omega(x, \theta) = \lambda(x, \theta) = \eta(1 - \eta)$$

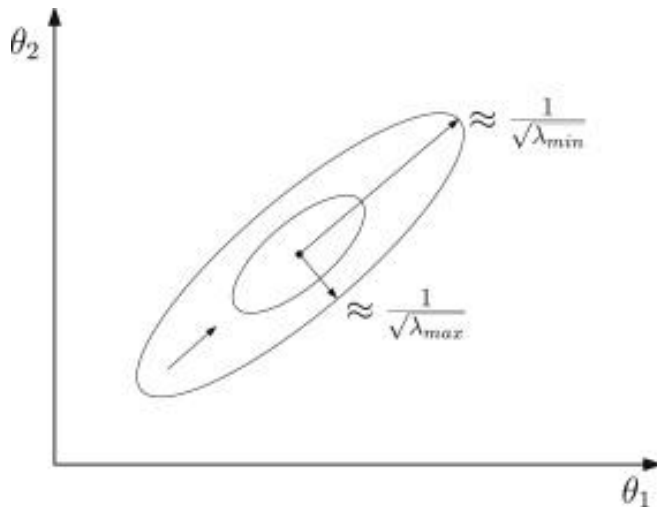
In spite of the experimental limitations about the lack of sex knowledge, it necessary to modify the above matrix to take into account this uncertainly. The information matrix for a fly whose sex is unknown is:

$$M(x, \theta) = 0.5 \omega_M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & 1 \\ x & x^2 & x \\ 1 & x & 1 \end{pmatrix} + 0.5 \omega_F \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & 0 \\ x & x^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

4. OPTIMALITY CRITERION

- D - optimality:

D-optimal criterion minimizes the volume of the confidence ellipsoid of the parameters.



$$\phi_D[M(\xi, \theta)] = \log[\det M(\xi, \theta)^{-1/k}]$$

where k is the number of parameters in the model.

5. CANONICAL FORMS

- Reformulating the problem :

$$\eta(\theta, x) = \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta x + q\delta}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x + q\delta}} = F(\alpha + \beta x + q\delta) \text{ con } a^* \leq x \leq b^*$$

Note: Knowing the insect' sex, next step is valid for both males and females.

The change of variable $z = \alpha + \beta x$ reduces the model:

$$\eta = F(z + q\delta) = \frac{e^{z + q\delta}}{1 + e^{z + q\delta}},$$

$$\alpha + \beta a^* \leq z \leq \alpha + \beta b^* \text{ or } \alpha + \beta a^* \geq z \geq \alpha + \beta b^* \text{ if } \beta < 0$$

- It is necessary to apply this type of changes to write the information matrix:

$$M_x(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i v(x_i) v(x_i)^t$$

Thus,

$$v(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda(x, \theta)}} \underbrace{\left\{ \frac{\partial F(z + q\delta)}{\partial(z + q\delta)} \frac{\partial(z + q\delta)}{\partial\alpha}, \frac{\partial F(z + q\delta)}{\partial(z + q\delta)} \frac{\partial(z + q\delta)}{\partial\beta}, \frac{\partial F(z + q\delta)}{\partial(z + q\delta)} \frac{\partial(z + q\delta)}{\partial\delta} \right\}^t}_{H(x_i)} = \frac{f(z + q\delta)}{\sqrt{F(z + q\delta)(1 - F(z + q\delta))}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

the information matrix for n dose levels is:

$$\begin{aligned} M_x(\xi) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{p_i}{F(z_i + q\delta)(1 - F(z_i + q\delta))} H(x_i) H(x_i)^t = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \frac{f(z_i + q\delta)^2}{F(z_i + q\delta)(1 - F(z_i + q\delta))} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \\ q \end{pmatrix} (1 \quad x_i \quad q) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \omega(z_i + q\delta) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_i \\ q \end{pmatrix} (1 \quad x_i \quad q) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i v(x_i) v(x_i)^t \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\omega(z + q\delta) = \frac{f(z + q\delta)^2}{F(z + q\delta)(1 - F(z + q\delta))}$

Considering now the linear transformation in the components:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ z \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ q \end{pmatrix} = B \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ q \end{pmatrix} \text{ and denoting}$$

$$g(z) = Bv(x) = \frac{f(z + q\delta)}{\sqrt{F(z + q\delta)(1 - F(z + q\delta))}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \alpha & \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ q \end{pmatrix} = \frac{f(z + q\delta)}{\sqrt{F(z + q\delta)(1 - F(z + q\delta))}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ z \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

So that we can write: $v(x) = B^{-1}g(z)$ (B is not singular; $\beta \neq 0$)

Then, the information matrix can be written equivalently as

$$M_x(\xi) = B^{-1} M_z(\xi) B.$$

Due to the D-optimal criterion does not vary by non-singular linear transformations of the design space, the maximization problem of $M_x(\xi)$ determinant reduces to maximize $M_z(\xi)$.

- The Information matrix for n dose levels and unknown sex will be:

$$M_z(\xi) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \omega(z_i + q\gamma) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ z_i \\ q \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & z_i & q \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(z_i) g(z_i)^t, \quad \omega(z_i + q\gamma) = \frac{f(z_i + q\gamma)^2}{F(z_i + q\gamma)(1 - F(z_i + q\gamma))}$$

- Adding it the uncertainty about sex:

$$M_z(\xi) = 0.5 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i [g(z_i) g(z_i)^t + h(z_i) h(z_i)^t], \quad g(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\omega(z + \delta)} \\ z \sqrt{\omega(z + \delta)} \\ \sqrt{\omega(z + \delta)} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } h(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\omega(z)} \\ z \sqrt{\omega(z)} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Expressed in a simplified way:

$$M_z(\xi) = 0.5 \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \xi(z_k) f_i(z_k) f_j(z_k)$$

6. RESULTS

- Formula for computing the determinant:

Considering $\chi = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ with $n \geq k$:

$$\det M(\xi) = \sum_{k_1 < \dots < k_k} \xi(x_{k_1}) \dots \xi(x_{k_k}) \det \left[\left\{ f_i(x_{k_j}) \right\} \right]^2$$

being k_i the S_n 's elements, which is the symmetric group of the four-order permutations.

6.1 TWO POINTS DESIGN

Basing on that, it results:

$$|M_{z_1, z_2}(\xi)| = 0.5[p^2(1 - p) E + p(1 - p)^2 F]$$

where E and F are the squares of the determinants which result of combining the column matrixes $g(z_i)$, $h(z_i)$ with $i=1,2$ and operating them conveniently.

- Analytical Expression to the Optimal Weighs:

$$\frac{\partial |M_{z_1, z_2}(\xi)|}{\partial p} = 0.5 [3(F - E)p^2 + 2(E - 2F)p + F] = 0 ,$$

$$p^* = \frac{2F - E \pm \sqrt{F^2 - EF + E^2}}{3(F - e)}$$

Maximizing the determinant expression,
it results:

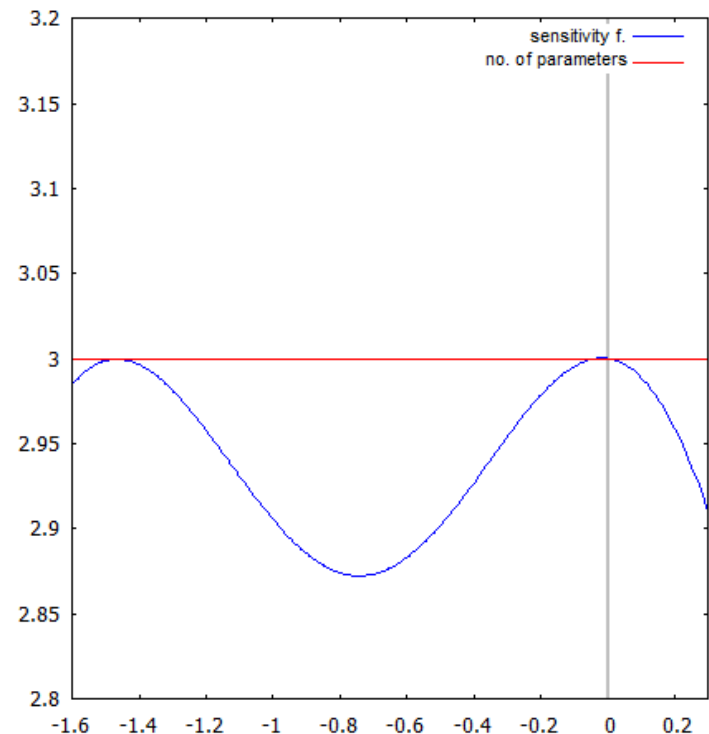
$\alpha=1.804, \beta=1.757, \gamma=-1$		
x_i^*	-1.467	-0.018
p_i^*	0.5	0.5

■ Testing the results:

Using the extension of equivalence theorem:

$$d(x, \xi^*, \theta) = 0.5 w_M(x, \theta) f_M^t(x) M^{-1}(\xi^*, \theta) f_M(x) + 0.5 w_F(x, \theta) f_F^t(x) M^{-1}(\xi^*, \theta) f_F(x) \leq k$$

where $k=3$ is the number of parameters. The equality is produced in the points of the optimal design. Plotting this function to the obtained results, it is checked that a D-optimal design has been obtained.



6.2 THREE POINTS DESIGN

From previous studies (*Atkinson et al. 1995*) it is checked that the optimal weights are symmetrical to the three-point case:

$$\xi = \begin{Bmatrix} z_1 \\ p \\ q = 1 - 2p \\ p \\ z_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

In this case, to calculate the determinant:

$$|M_{z_1, z_2, z_3}(\xi)| = 0.5 \{A p^3 + B p^2 + Cp\}$$

where A, B and C are the squares of the determinants which result from applying the formula to its fast calculation gathering them conveniently.

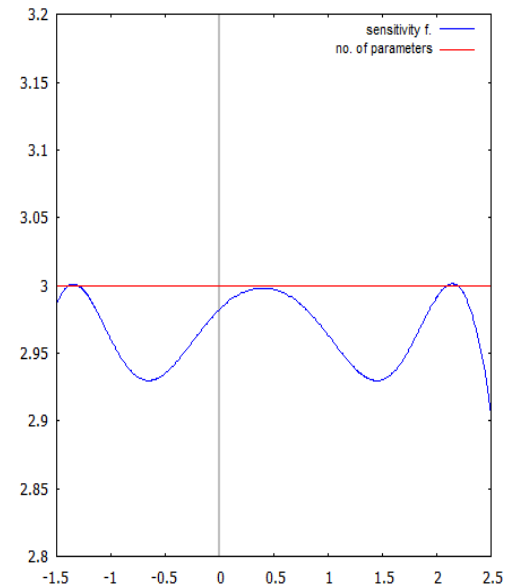
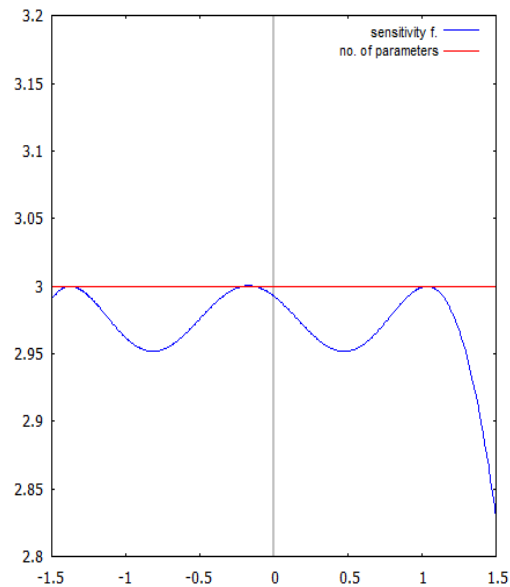
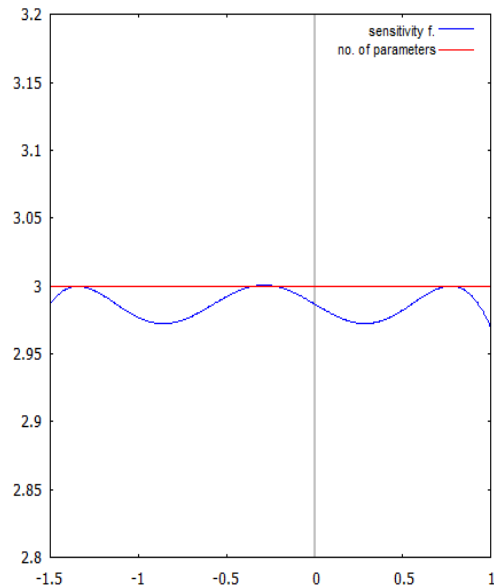
- Analytical Expression to the Optimal Weights: $p^* = \frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 3AC}}{3C}$

Maximizing the determinant expression,
it results:

$\alpha=1.804$ $\beta=1.757$	$\gamma=-2.599$			$\gamma=-3$			$\gamma=-5$		
x_i^*	-1.347	-0.287	0.772	-1.378	-0.173	1.032	-1.349	0.396	2.141
p_i^*	0.375	0.250	0.375	0.339	0.322	0.339	0.316	0.368	0.316

■ Testing the results:

Through the equivalence theorem, it is checked that the obtained design are D-optimal.



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