

**Equivalence of factorial designs
with qualitative and
quantitative factors**

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Factorial Design

There are

f factors that affect the response variable:

f_1 qualitative factors with $s_1 \geq 2$ levels

f_2 quantitative factors with $s_2 > 2$ levels

(for such factors, the distance between factor levels has a meaning)

i.e. $f = f_1 + f_2$

and n out of total $s_1^{f_1} \times s_2^{f_2}$ level combinations are to be observed

Equivalence

Two designs d_1 and d_2 are called *cg*-equivalent if one can be obtained from the other by

- relabeling the factors of the same type
- relabeling the levels of one or more qualitative factors
- reversing the levels of one or more quantitative factors
- reordering the experimental runs.

This is the randomization needed for a design before use.

Importance of Equivalence

Non-equivalent designs may have the same statistical properties for a particular model, but have different properties under a different model

Classification of designs into equivalence classes allows selection of a representative design from an equivalence class that fits the purpose of an experiment

Relationship with other types of equivalence

If d_1 and d_2 are *cg*-equivalent, then

their corresponding $n \times f_1$ subdesigns with qualitative factors only are *combinatorially* equivalent (Clark and Dean, 2001)

their corresponding $n \times f_2$ subdesigns with quantitative factors only are *geometrically* equivalent (Cheng and Ye, 2004).

Necessary condition for *cg*-equivalence

Example:

$$n = 4, f_1 = 3, f_2 = 1$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{d_1} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{T}_{d_2} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

First 3 factorial effects are qualitative

If designs are *cg*-equivalent,

their corresponding 4×3 submatrices

are combinatorially equivalent, and

the last columns

are geometrically equivalent

However, the opposite might not hold!

Showing equivalence of two designs by direct application of the definition becomes computationally “hard” as the size of a design increases.

Requires checking up to

$n!$ row permutations,

$f_1! \times f_2!$ column permutations, and

$(s!)^{f_1} \times 2^{f_2}$ column symbol changes.

In this paper: necessary and sufficient conditions are given to verify equivalence or non-equivalence of two general factorial designs.

A brief history of combinatorial equivalence

- Draper and Mitchell (1967,1968);
wordlength pattern
- Chen and Lin (1991); wordlength pattern
- Chen (1992); mapping of defining relation;
problem solved for regular designs
- Lin, Wallis and Zhu (1993); row J -characteristics
- Clark and Dean (2001; Hamming distance
matrix; solved for regular and nongegular de-
signs
- Stufken and Tang (2007); orthononal arrays
- Shrivastava, Ding (2007); graph based method;
solved for regular designs
- Katsaounis and Dean (2008)-Hammming dis-
tance matrix; solved for general factorial
designs

A brief history of geometric equivalence

- Clark and Dean (2001); Euclidean distance matrix; solved for general factorial designs
- Cheng and Ye (2004); J -characteristics; solved for general factorial designs
- Evangelaras, Koukouvinos, Dean and Dingus (2005); correlations
- Katsaounis Dingus and Dean (2007); Euclidean distance matrix; solved for general factorial designs

A necessary and sufficient condition for equivalence of designs with qualitative and quantitative factors

Consider the *Hamming distance matrix* of a design with qualitative factors, consisting of the Hamming distances of all pairs of runs

The Hamming distance between two runs is the number of places where factor levels differ.

Notation: $H_d^{\{i_1, \dots, i_{p_1}\}}$ is the Hamming distance matrix, based on columns i_1, \dots, i_{p_1} of an $n \times f$ design d with $p_1 \leq f_1$.

Consider the *absolute Euclidean distance matrix* \mathbf{E}_d of a design with quantitative factors, consisting of all pairwise absolute Euclidean distances between runs

The absolute Euclidean distance between i^{th} and j^{th} runs is:

$$\sum_{k=1}^f | [\mathbf{T}_d]_{i,k} - [\mathbf{T}_d]_{j,k} |$$

where $[\mathbf{T}_d]_{i,k}$ is the $(ik)^{th}$ element of $n \times f$ design matrix \mathbf{T}_d .

Notation: $\mathbf{E}_d^{\{i_{p_1+1}, \dots, i_{p_2}\}}$ is the absolute Euclidean distance matrix based on columns $i_{p_1+1}, \dots, i_{p_2}$ of $n \times f$ design d with $p_2 \leq f_2$ quantitative factors.

A necessary and sufficient condition for equivalence of designs with qualitative and quantitative factors

Two designs d_1 and d_2 with

f_1 qualitative factors at s_1 levels and

f_2 quantitative factors at s_2 levels

are equivalent if and only if there is

a column permutation $\{a_1, \dots, a_{f_1}\}$ of $\{1, \dots, f_1\}$,

a column permutation $\{a_{f_1+1}, \dots, a_{f_2}\}$ of $\{f_1+1, \dots, f_2\}$

and a *common* row permutation matrix R such

that for all $p_1 = 0, 1, \dots, f_1$ and $p_2 = 0, 1, \dots, f_2$

$1 \leq p = p_1 + p_2 \leq f$, $f = f_1 + f_2$:

$$\left[\mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{\{1, \dots, p_1\}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{d_1}^{\{p_1+1, \dots, p_2\}} \right] = \mathbf{R} \left[\mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{\{a_1, \dots, a_{p_1}\}} \quad \mathbf{E}_{d_2}^{\{a_{p_1+1}, \dots, a_{p_2}\}} \right] \mathbf{R}'$$

Example (cont) $n = 4$, $f_1 = 3$, $f_2 = 1$

$$\mathbf{T}_{d_1} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{T}_{d_2} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{(123)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{(123)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Example (cont)

$$\mathbf{T}_{d_1} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{T}_{d_2} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{d_1}^{(4)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{E}_{d_2}^{(4)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Example (cont)

The following permutation matrix:

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

satisfies:

$$\mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{(123)} & \mathbf{E}_{d_2}^{(4)} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{R}' = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{(123)} & \mathbf{E}_{d_1}^{(4)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, in \mathbf{T}_{d_2} :

- no column permutation is needed
 - permute the rows using $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4) \rightarrow (2\ 1\ 4\ 3)$
 - Also, by inspection: relabel the levels in column 1 using $(0\ 1\ 2) \rightarrow (1\ 2\ 0)$
 - reverse the levels in column 4 using $(0\ 1\ 2) \rightarrow (2\ 1\ 0)$
- to obtain \mathbf{T}_{d_1}

The two designs are equivalent.

An alternative method for the quantitative factors

is based on the concept of J -characteristic
(Tang, 2001):

For the $n \times f$ design matrix (of design d)
with columns c_1, \dots, c_f is given by:

$$J_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_f}^d(\mathbf{c}_1^{t_1}, \mathbf{c}_2^{t_2}, \dots, \mathbf{c}_f^{t_f}) = \mathbf{1}'(\mathbf{c}_1^{t_1} \circ \mathbf{c}_2^{t_2} \circ \dots \circ \mathbf{c}_f^{t_f})$$

for all $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_f)$, $t_i = 0, 1, \dots, s_2 - 1$, $i = 1, \dots, f$
(Cheng and Ye, 2004).

An alternative necessary and sufficient condition
for cg -equivalence

An extension of results by Cheng and Ye, 2004,
and Katsaounis and Dean, 2007.

Two designs d_1 and d_2 with
 f_1 qualitative factors at s_1 levels and
 f_2 quantitative factors at s_2 levels
are equivalent if and only if there is
a column permutation $\{a_1, \dots, a_{f_1}\}$ of $\{1, \dots, f_1\}$,
a column permutation $\{a_{f_1+1}, \dots, a_{f_2}\}$ of $\{f_1+1, \dots, f_2\}$
a common row permutation matrix R and
an indicator vector $q = (q_{f_1+1}, \dots, q_{f_2})$
of 0's and 1's

such that for all $p_1 = 0, 1, \dots, f_1$ and
 $p_2 = 0, 1, \dots, f_2$, $1 \leq p = p_1 + p_2 \leq f$, $f = f_1 + f_2$:
for the Hamming distance matrices of the sub-
designs with the qualitative factors:

$$\mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{\{1, \dots, p_1\}} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{\{a_1, \dots, a_{p_1}\}} \mathbf{R}'$$

for some permutation matrix \mathbf{R}

where $\mathbf{H}_d^{\{i_1, \dots, i_{p_1}\}}$ is the Hamming distance matrix
based on columns i_1, \dots, i_{p_1} of design matrix \mathbf{T}_d
with p_1 qualitative factors,

and for the J -characteristics of the sub-designs with quantitative factors:

$$J_{t_{f_1+1}, \dots, t_{f_2}}^{d_1} = \left(\prod_{k=f_1+1}^{f_2} (-1)^{q_k t_{a_k}} \right) J_{t_{a_{f_1+1}}, \dots, t_{a_{f_2}}}^{d_2}$$

for a set of sign changes in factors indicated by vector q

for all possible $t = (t_{f_1+1}, \dots, t_{f_2})$,

$$t_k = 0, 1, \dots, s_2 - 1, \quad k = f_1 + 1, \dots, f_2,$$

where $J_{t_{i_{p_1+1}}, \dots, t_{i_{p_2}}}^d$ is the J -characteristic based on columns $i_{p_1+1}, \dots, i_{p_2}$ of design matrix T_d with p_2 quantitative factors.

Recall in previous example:

$$\mathbf{T}_{d_1} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{T}_{d_2} = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{(123)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad \mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{(123)} = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 3 & 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{R} \mathbf{H}_{d_2}^{(123)} \mathbf{R}' = \mathbf{H}_{d_1}^{(123)}, \text{ with } \mathbf{R} \text{ as before.}$$

Using the following orthonormal contrasts to re-code quantitative factors:

$$\mathbf{h}_{t_k}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(1, 1, 1)' & \text{if } t_k = 0, \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(-1, 0, 1)' & \text{if } t_k = 1, (\text{linear effects}) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(1, -2, 1)' & \text{if } t_k = 2, (\text{quadratic effects}) \end{cases}$$

then, for the 4th column of T_{d_2} the

J -characteristic of the linear effect is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$, and

J -characteristic of the quadratic effect is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$

for the 4th column of T_{d_1} the

J -characteristic of the linear effect is $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

J -characteristic of the quadratic effect is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$

Which suggests

reversal of the levels of the 4th column using

$(0\ 1\ 2) \rightarrow (2\ 1\ 0)$ in \mathbf{T}_{d_2}

So after applying \mathbf{R} and above reversal of levels,

we see by inspection, that we need to

apply the permutation of levels

$(0\ 1\ 2) \rightarrow (1\ 2\ 0)$ in the 1st column of \mathbf{T}_{d_2}

to obtain \mathbf{T}_{d_1}

cg – Deseq2 Algorithm

cg – Deseq2 implements the necessary and sufficient condition of the first theorem, and gives a column permutation and a row permutation that transform one design matrix to the other, if the two designs are equivalent; otherwise declares the designs non-equivalent.

It is a modification of *Deseq2*, by Clark and Dean (2001) for 2-level designs, and *mDeseq2* by Katsaounis and Dean (2008) for general symmetric designs with qualitative factors, obtained by replacing $H_d^{\{1, \dots, f\}}$ with

$$\left[H_d^{\{1, \dots, f_1\}} \quad E_d^{\{f_1+1, \dots, f\}} \right]$$

Evaluation of $cg - Deseq2$ Algorithm

Examples of 3-level and 4-level designs

showed that

$cg - Deseq2$ algorithm can be slow

depending on the size and structure

of the designs, however

is the only method that can detect

equivalence or non-equivalence of designs with

qualitative and quantitative factors

Screening methods for *cg*-non-equivalence

Two designs can be shown to be non-equivalent using a necessary only criterion for equivalence.

Such criteria can be computationally faster.

Screening methods for *cg*-non-equivalence

(a) Combinatorial non-equivalence or geometric non-equivalence of the corresponding $n \times f_1$ and $n \times f_2$ subdesigns (of $2 n \times f$ designs) implies *cg*-non-equivalence.

(b) Combinatorial non-equivalence of two $n \times f$ designs, implies geometric non-equivalence

(a) and (b) imply that two $n \times f$ designs that are combinatorial non-equivalent are also *cg*-non-equivalent.

Thus, a screening method for detecting *combinatorial* non-equivalence can be used as a screening for *cg*-non-equivalence.

Screening methods for *cg*-non-equivalence

Advantage: Can use good existing methods for detecting combinatorial nonequivalence, such as:

- Squared centered L_2 discrepancy

(Ma, Fang and Lin, 2001)

- *deseq1*

Clark and Dean (2001) and

Katsaounis and Dean (2008)

- Moment aberration projection

(Xu, 2003)

All these methods detected non-equivalence fast for examples that *cg*-Deseq2 was slow.

Other existing methods can be used.

THANK YOU!

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