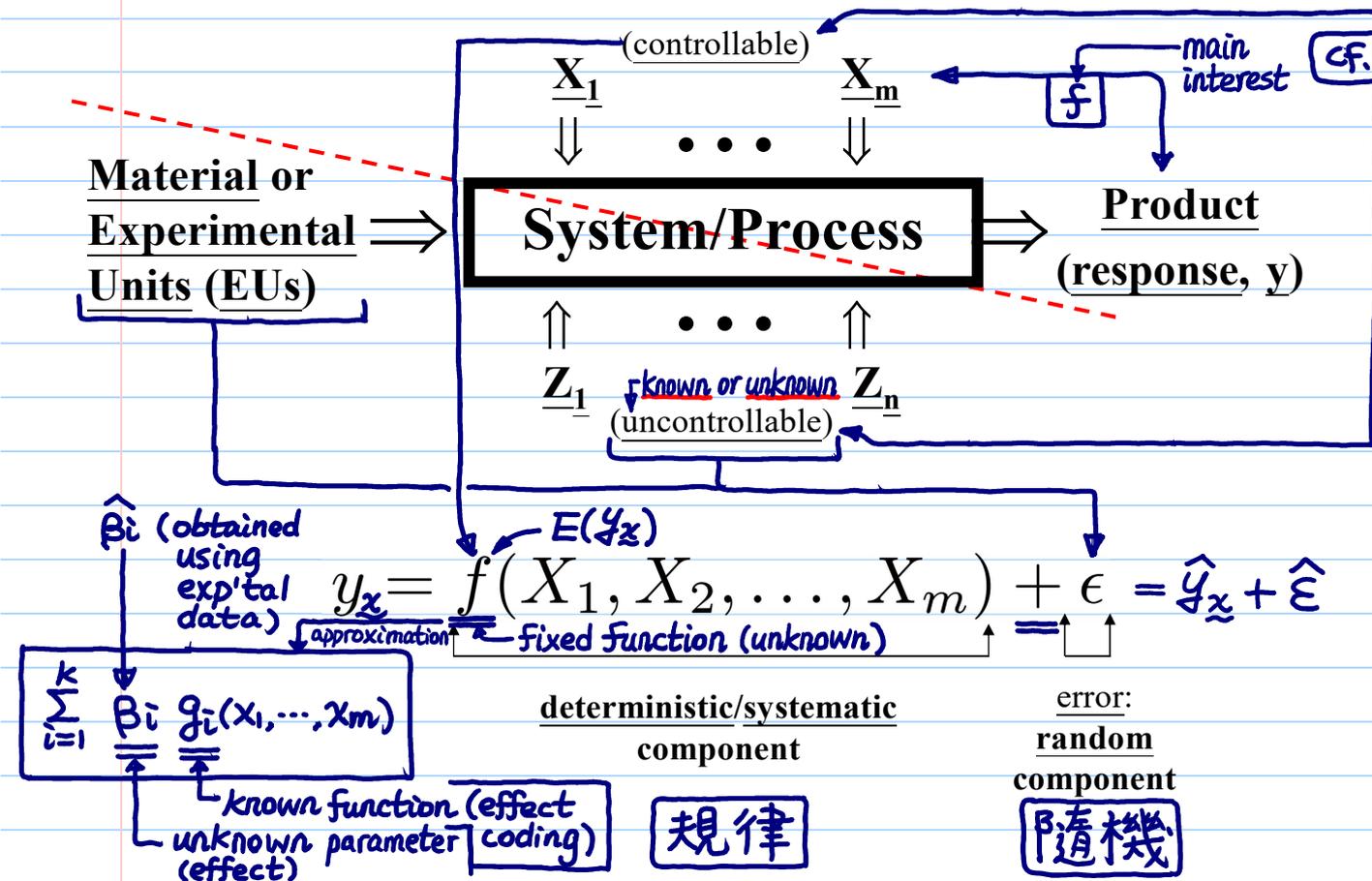
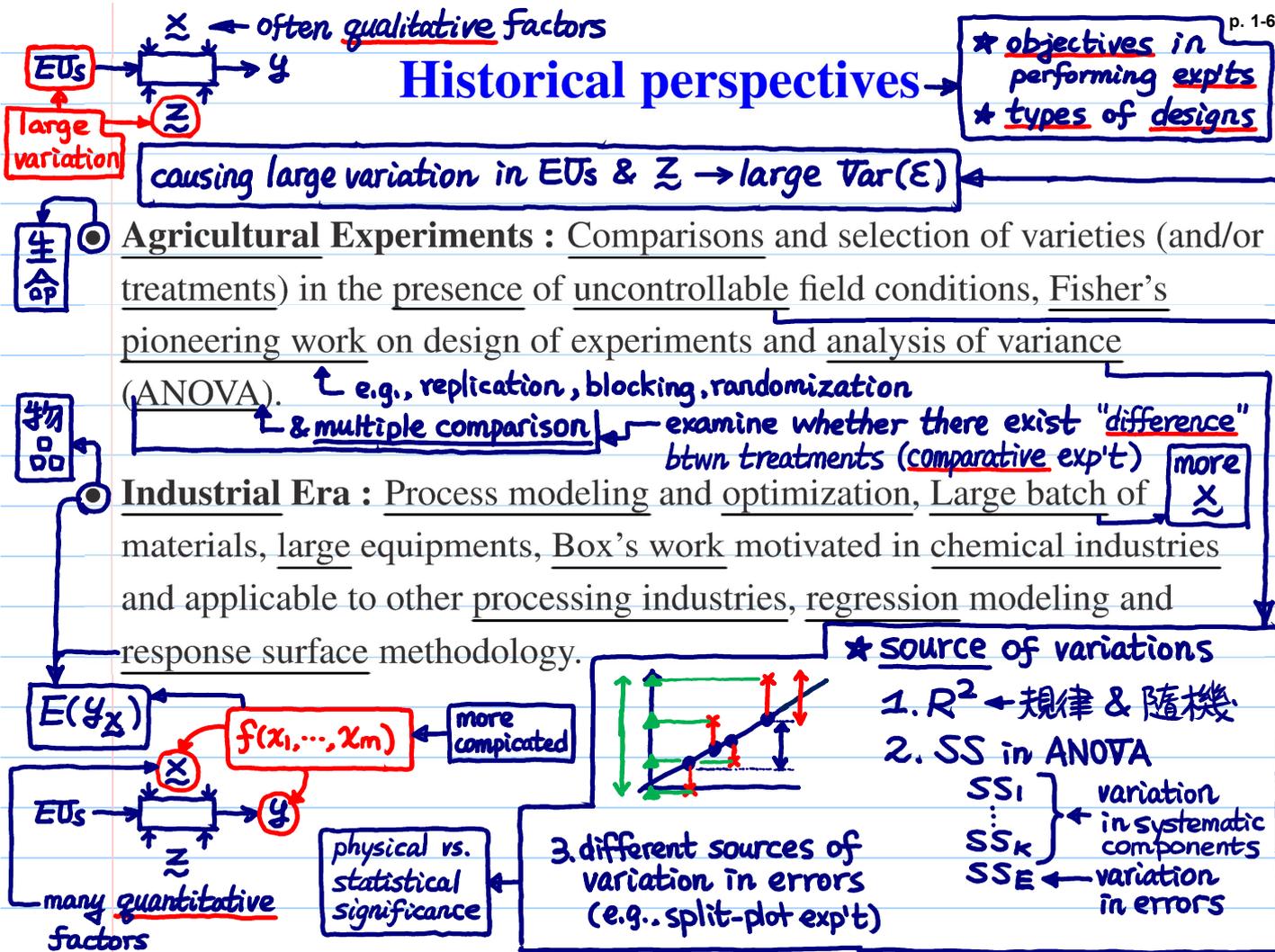


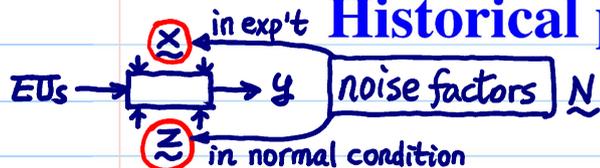
Conceptual model



Historical perspectives



Historical perspectives (Contd.)



- **Quality Revolution** : Quality and productivity improvement, variation reduction, total quality management, Taguchi's work on robust parameter design, Six-sigma movement.

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study $E(y_x)$ in industrial era

$$E(y_x) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

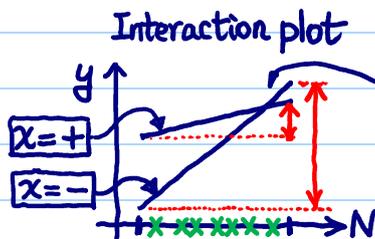
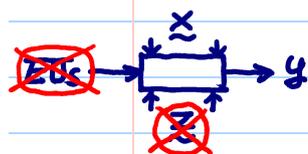
$$Var_N(y_x) = h(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

- A lot of successful applications in manufacturing (cars, electronics, home appliances, etc.)

- **Current Trends and Potential New Areas** : Computer modelling and experiments, large and complex systems, applications to biotechnology, nanotechnology, material development, etc.

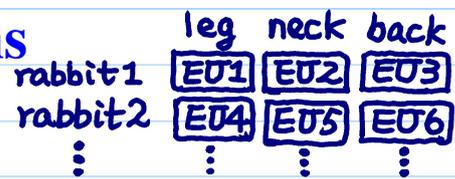
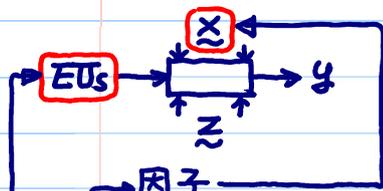
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physical experiment



a strong interaction between X & N

Some Definitions



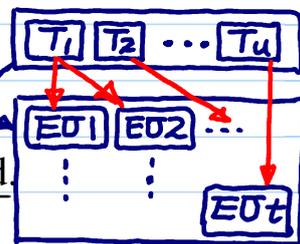
- **Factor** : variable whose influence upon a response variable is being studied in the experiment.

temp. (温度) : 20°C, 50°C ← 2 levels
 pressure (压力) : 500, 1000, 1500 ppm
 ← 3 levels

- **Factor Level** : numerical values or settings for a factor.

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assignment



- **Experimental unit** : object to which a treatment is applied.

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- **Trial (or run)** : application of a treatment to an experimental unit.

- **Treatment or level combination** : set of values for all factors in a trial.

T_1 : (温 20°C, 压 500 ppm), T_2 : (温 50°C, 压 1500 ppm), ...

- **Randomization** : using a chance mechanism to assign treatments to experimental units or run order.

Types of Experiments

Agriculture era (LNp.6)

LNp. 11 **Treatment Comparisons** : Purpose is to compare several treatments of a factor (have 4 rice varieties and would like to see if they are different in terms of yield and drought resistance).

comparative experiment

Industrial era (LNp.6)

LNp. 12 **Variable Screening** : Have a large number of factors, but only a few are important. Experiment should identify the important few.

factor sparsity principle

LNp. 13

Response Surface Exploration : After important factors have been identified, their impact on the system is explored; regression model building.

$$E(y_{\underline{x}}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m) \approx \underline{XB}$$

Types of Experiments (Contd.)

LNp. 14

If $E(y_{\underline{x}}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$, what is $\arg \max_{\underline{x}} f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$?
 \underline{x} unknown

System Optimization : Interested in determining the optimum conditions (e.g., maximize yield of semiconductor manufacturing or minimize defects).

Quality era (LNp.7)

LNp. 15 **System Robustness** : Wish to optimize a system and also reduce the impact of uncontrollable (noise) factors. (e.g., would like cars to run well in different road conditions and different driving habits; an IC fabrication process to work well in different conditions of humidity and dust levels).

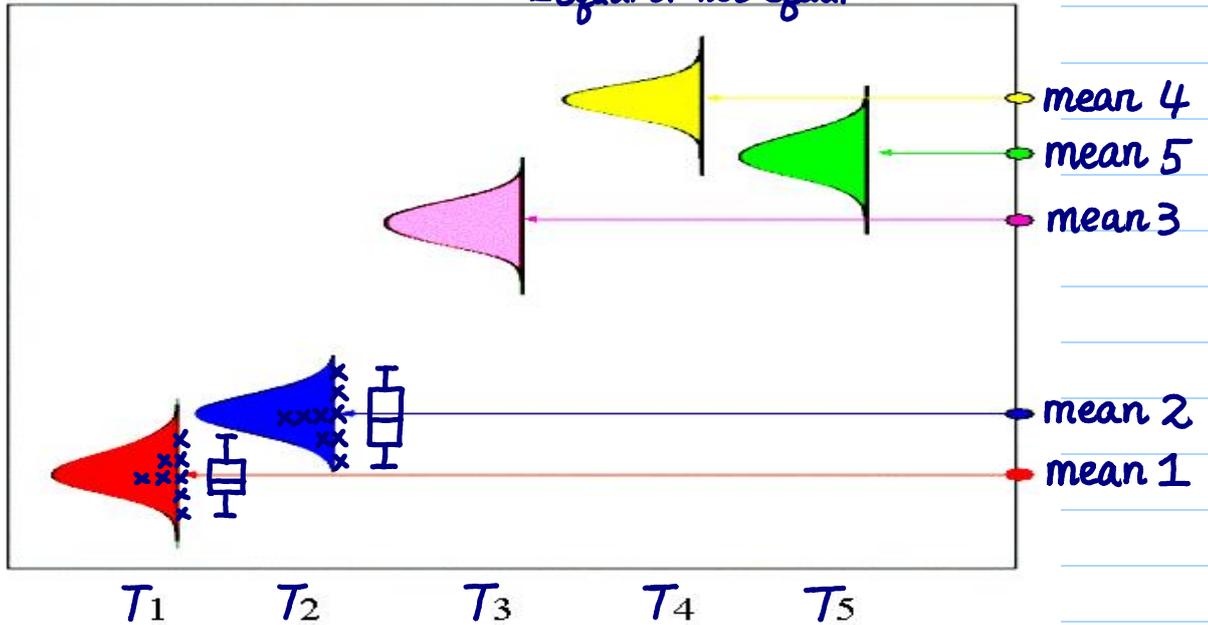
Level (combinations) of noise factors

$$E(y_{\underline{x}}) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m) \leftarrow \text{for } \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Var}_{\underline{N}}(y_{\underline{x}}) = h(x_1, \dots, x_m) \leftarrow \text{for } \textcircled{2}$$

Treatment Comparison

Q: Whether the means are different? If yes, how different?
 ↑ equal or not equal



treatment: a combination of factor levels

Factors

A, B, C, D, E → 2^5

effects

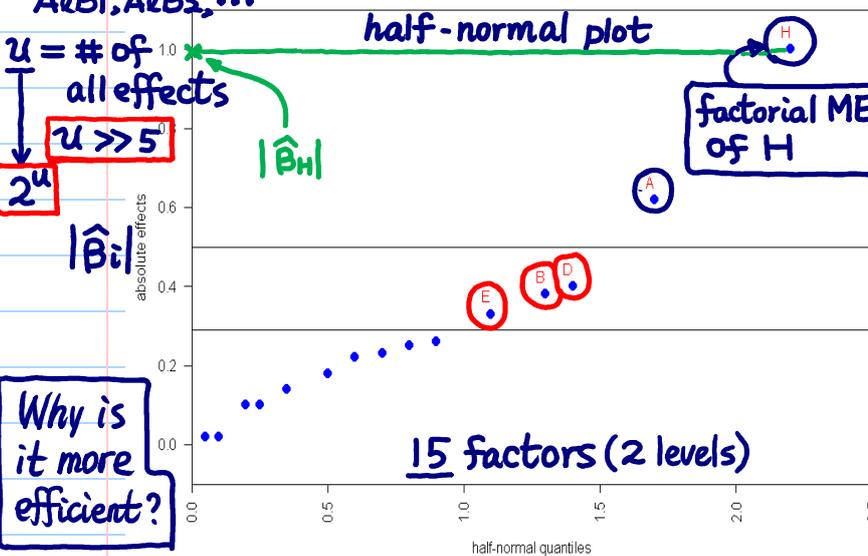
A_1, A_2
 B_1, B_2, B_3
 ...
 A_1B_1, A_1B_2, \dots

Variable (Factor) Screening

can use
 - t- or F-test
 - model selection

Objective: identify important factors or screen out unimportant factors

mean structure of y_x
 $E(y_x) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$
 $\approx f^*(x_1, x_3, x_8)$



H, A: important

D, B, E: moderate

H+A: 50%

H+A+D+B+E: 65%

variation in y

When to use?: usually in the preliminary stage of the study of a system/process

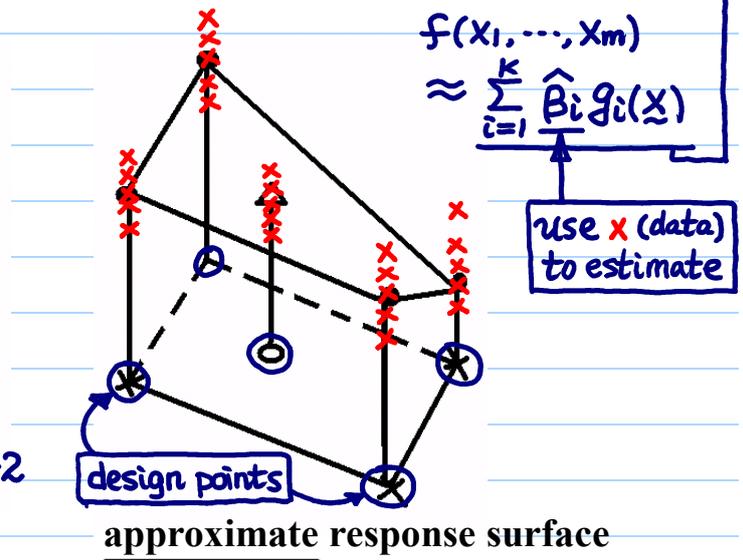
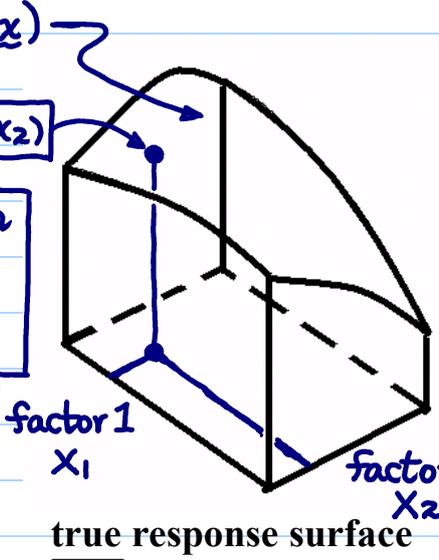
main interest \hat{y}_x

Response Surface Approximation

response surface: the relationship between a response and the factors $E(y_x) = f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$

Objective: develop a good approximation of the response surface $\hat{f}(x_1, \dots, x_m)$

Recall, 2 main objectives in regression:
 ① Predict $E(y_x)$ or \hat{y}_x
 ② Interpret β



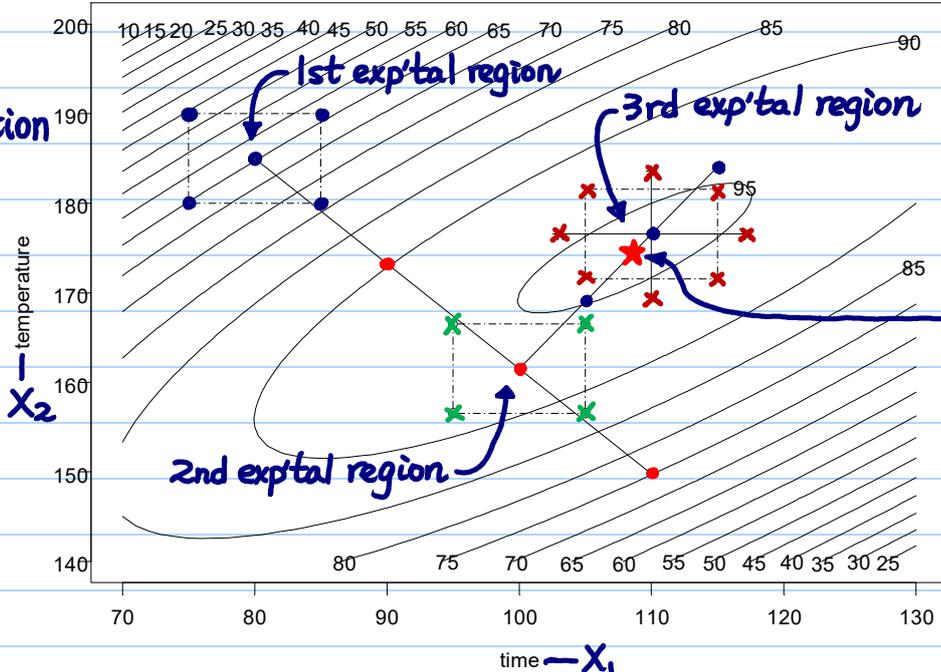
System/Process Optimization

Executing Newton method using experiments

Objective: obtain optimal setting (of minimum/maximum response)

contour plot of true response surface $E(y_x)$

Sequential experimentation

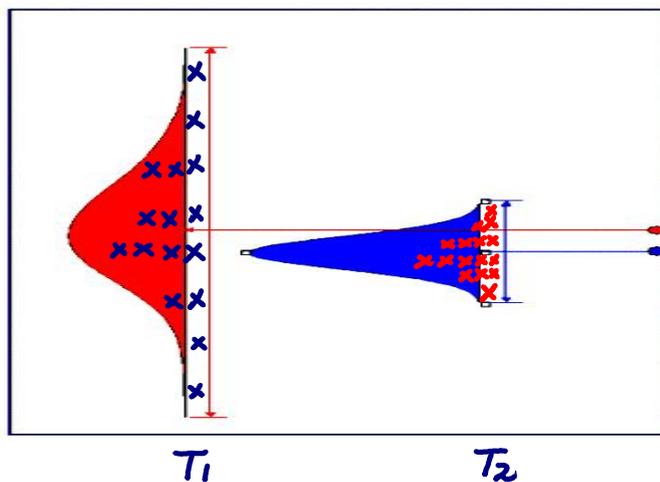


Q: where is the maximum of $E(y_x)$?

Variation Reduction

achievable when X & Z have significant interaction(s)

Objective: adjust treatment factors to make the system/process robust against noise variation



mean 1
Q: which one will you choose?
 mean 2

Concept: Besides optimizing the response, variation reduction is important in quality improvement.

Systematic Approach to Experimentation

Problem formulation in statistical/mathematical language

e.g., treatment comparison

e.g., optimization

$$y_{Ti} = \mu_i + \epsilon, E(y_{Ti}) = \mu_i$$

$$y_x = f(x_1, \dots, x_m) + \epsilon, E(\epsilon) = 0$$

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_m$$

$$\arg \min_x \max f(x_1, \dots, x_m)$$

①. State the objective of the study.

②. Choose the response variable ... should correspond to the purpose of the study.

may use surrogate response

• Nominal-the-best, larger-the-better or smaller-the-better.

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identify possible "source of variation" in y

③. Choose factors, levels, experimental region.

• Use flow chart or cause-and-effect diagram.

2 levels \Rightarrow only linear effects
 3 levels \Rightarrow linear + quadratic effects

how to choose design points in the space

④. Choose experimental design (i.e., plan).

design matrix

$x_1 \dots x_m$ } a level combination
 } a factor

a main focus of the course

⑤. Perform the experiment (use a planning matrix to determine the set of treatments and the order to be run).

e.g., randomization.

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon$$

model matrix

⑥. Analyze data (design should be selected to meet objective so that the analysis is efficient and easy).

e.g., orthogonality exists

⑦. Draw conclusions. offer solution to the problem in objective statement (e.g., optimization setting) \rightarrow confirm exp't follow-up exp'ts