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Description In agricultural, post-harvest and processing, engineering and industrial experiments factors are often differentiated with ease with which they can change from experimental run to experimental run. This is due to the fact that one or more factors may be expensive or time consuming to change i.e. hard-to-change factors. These factors restrict the use of complete randomization as it may make the experiment expensive and time consuming. Split plot designs can be used for such situations. In general model estimation of split plot designs require the use of generalized least squares (GLS). However for some split-plot designs ordinary least squares (OLS) estimates are equivalent to generalized least squares (GLS) estimates. These types of designs are known in literature as equivalent-estimation split-plot design. For method details see, Macharia, H. and Goos, P.(2010) <doi:10.1080/00224065.2010.11917833>. Balanced split plot designs are designs which have an equal number of subplots within every whole plot. This package used to construct equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs for different experimental set ups along with different statistical criteria to measure the performance of these designs. It consist of the function equivalent_BSPD().

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equivalent_BSPD	<i>Construct Equivalent Estimation Balanced Split Plot Designs</i>
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Description

The equivalent_BSPD() function constructs equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs for different experimental setups. The function takes inputs related to the number and levels of Whole Plot Factor(s) and Sub Plot Factor(s), the total number of experimental runs, and the bounds for a trend factor. Factor levels can be represented as integers, for example, -1 for low, 0 for medium, and 1 for high. A single whole plot factor or sub plot factor with levels 1 and -1 or 1,0 and -1 should be entered as list(c(1, -1)),list(c(1,0,-1)). If there are two whole plot factors or sub plot factors each with two levels, the input should be entered as list(c(1, -1), c(1, -1)), similarly for more number of factors. The trend factor value lies between 0 to 1. Higher the values, lesser the influence of trend effects on the run order. The function then generates equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs and evaluates them based on D-optimality and Dt-optimality criteria. Additionally, it explores the impact of trend effects and identifies the designs that maximize the trend factor value.

Usage

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equivalent_BSPD(Number_of_whole_plot_factors, Whole_Plot_factors_levels,  
                Number_of_sub_plot_factors, Sub_Plot_factors_levels,  
                Total_number_of_runs_required, lower_bound, upper_bound)
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Arguments

- Number_of_whole_plot_factors
Number of Whole Plot Factor(s)
- Whole_Plot_factors_levels
Levels of Whole Plot Factor(s)
- Number_of_sub_plot_factors
Number of Sub Plot Factor(s)
- Sub_Plot_factors_levels
Levels of Sub Plot Factor(s)
- Total_number_of_runs_required
Total Number of Runs Required
- lower_bound
Lower bound of Trend Factor Value
- upper_bound
Upper bound of Trend Factor Value

Value

Returns a list with the following components:

Total_equivalent_estimation_designs	Total number of equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs for the given inputs.
Equivalent_Estimation_Designs	All the equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs for the given inputs.
All_equivalent_estimation_designs_with_D_Dt_Trend_Factor	All the equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs with D, Dt, and Trend Factor value for the given inputs.
Max_D_value	Maximum D-value within the generated equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs.
D_optimal_designs	Designs with the Maximum D-value within the generated equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs.
Max_Dt_value	Maximum Dt-value within the generated equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs.
Dt_optimal_designs	Designs with the Maximum Dt-value within the generated equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs.
Max_Trend_factor_value	Maximum Trend Factor Value for the generated equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs.
Number_of_Designs_Max_Trend_Factor	Number of equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs with Maximum Trend Factor value.
Equivalent_Estimation_designs_in_trend_factor_range	Equivalent estimation balanced split plot designs within the specified range of trend factor.

References

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- Harrison Macharia and Peter Goos (2010). D-optimal and D-efficient equivalent-estimation second order split-plot designs. *Journal of Quality Technology*, 42(4), 358-372.
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Examples

```
# One whole plot factor at two levels and one sub plot factor at three levels in four runs
Result1 <- equivalent_BSPD(1, list(c(1, -1)), 1, list(c(1,0,-1)), 4, 0.1, 0.9)

# One whole plot factor at three levels and one sub plot factor at three levels in six runs
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Result2 <- equivalent_BSPD(1, list(c(1, 0, -1)), 1, list(c(1, 0, -1)), 6, 0.5, 0.95)

# One whole plot factor at three levels and two sub plot factors each at two levels in six runs
Result3 <- equivalent_BSPD(1, list(c(1, 0, -1)), 2, list(c(1, -1), c(1, -1)), 6, 0.6, 0.9)

# Accessing results
Result1$Total_equivalent_estimation_designs
Result1$Equivalent_Estimation_Designs
Result1$All_equivalent_estimation_designs_with_D_Dt_Trend_Factor
Result1$Max_D_value
Result1$D_optimal_designs
Result1$Max_Dt_value
Result1$Dt_optimal_designs
Result1$Max_Trend_factor_value
Result1$Number_of_Designs_Max_Trend_Factor
Result1$Equivalent_Estimation_designs_in_trend_factor_range
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