



## Application of Analytical Quality by Design concept for bilastine and its degradation impurities determination by hydrophilic interaction liquid chromatographic method

The objective of this research paper is to develop a hydrophilic interaction liquid chromatographic method for the analysis of bilastine and its degradation impurities following Analytical Quality by Design approach. Two Design of Experiments (DoE) methodologies are implemented for method optimization and robustness testing.

The DoE method applied for optimization is Box Behnken design. The factors (independent variables) examined in this stage are:  $X_1$  = acetonitrile content in the mobile phase (%),  $X_2$  = ammonium acetate concentration in the aqueous phase (mmol/L) and  $X_3$  = pH of the aqueous phase. All the factors are continuous. The responses (dependent variables) examined are:  $k_3$  = retention factor of Impurity 2 and  $a_2$  = selectivity factor of critical peak pair.

The DoE method applied for robustness testing is fractional factorial design. The factors examined in this stage are: A = acetonitrile content in the mobile phase (%), B = buffer concentration in aqueous phase (mM), C = pH of the aqueous phase, D = mobile phase flow rate (mL/min) and E = column temperature (°C). All the factors are continuous and the responses examined are the same as those of the first stage.

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## Optimization stage

### Step 1: Box Behnken Design

In the first tab named “Action” define the factors in the column headers and fill each column with the low and high levels of the corresponding factors. This tab can be renamed “Box Behnken”. Afterwards, apply the Box Behnken method: *DOE → Response Surface → Box Behnken*

	Col1	Col2 (I)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	X1	X2	X3
1		90	40	4
2		94	80	5.5

DoE Box Behnken

Number of Center Points per Block: 3

Number of Replicates: 1

Number of Blocks: 1

Random Standard order

Excluded Columns

Included Columns

- Col2 -- X1
- Col3 -- X2
- Col4 -- X3

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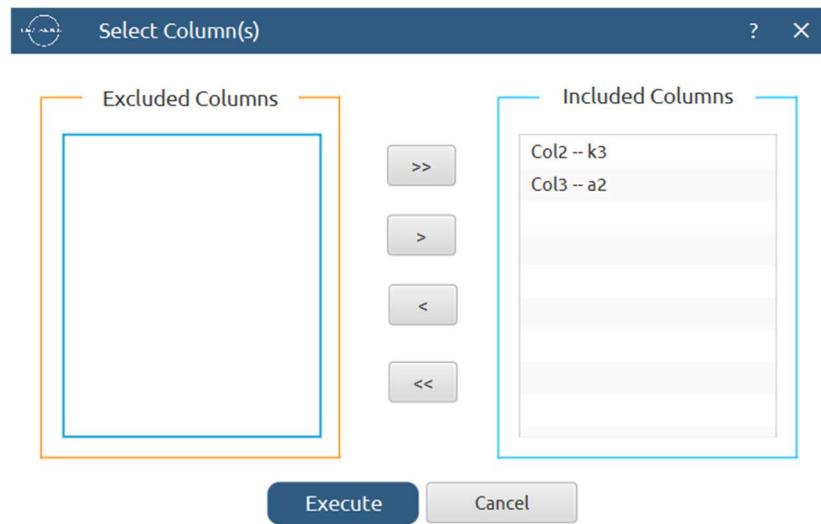
Results (right spreadsheet):

	Col1	Col2 (I)	Col3 (S)	Col4 (S)	Col5 (S)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)	Col8 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Standard Order	Block Number	Replicate Number	Point Type	X1	X2	X3
1		1	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	40.0	4.75
2		2	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	94.0	40.0	4.75
3		3	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	80.0	4.75
4		4	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	94.0	80.0	4.75
5		5	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	60.0	4.0
6		6	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	94.0	60.0	4.0
7		7	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	60.0	5.5
8		8	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	94.0	60.0	5.5
9		9	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	92.0	40.0	4.0
10		10	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	92.0	80.0	4.0
11		11	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	92.0	40.0	5.5
12		12	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	92.0	80.0	5.5
13		13	Block: 1	----	Center Point	92.0	60.0	4.75
14		14	Block: 1	----	Center Point	92.0	60.0	4.75
15		15	Block: 1	----	Center Point	92.0	60.0	4.75

## Step 2: Definition of response variables

Create a new tab named “Responses - BBD” and define the responses in the column headers. Fill each column with the values of the corresponding responses that were observed and make sure the values follow the order of the experiments as given by the Box Behnken method. Then, select all columns to be transferred to the right spreadsheet: [Data Transformation → Data Manipulation → Select Column\(s\)](#)

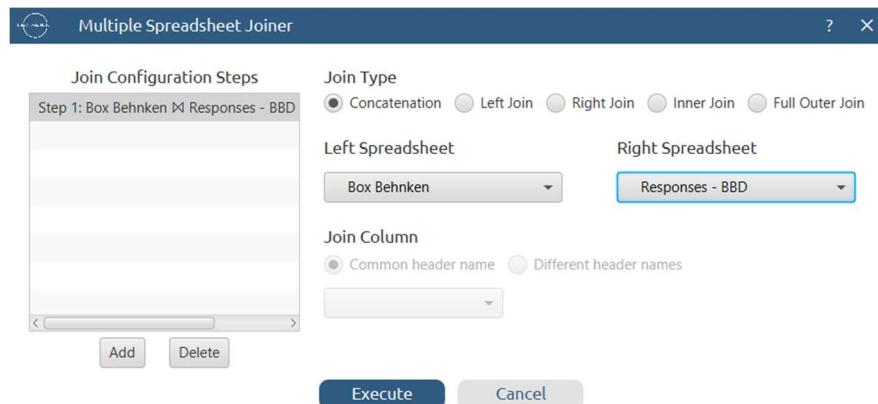
	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	k3	a2
1		3.53	1.5
2		23.65	1.65
3		3.47	1.38
4		20.19	1.5
5		1.34	1.26
6		8.78	1.36
7		4.24	1.43
8		28.96	1.64
9		3.63	1.33
10		2.9	1.23
11		9.92	1.72
12		10.53	1.61
13		7.34	1.47
14		7.08	1.46
15		7.86	1.51

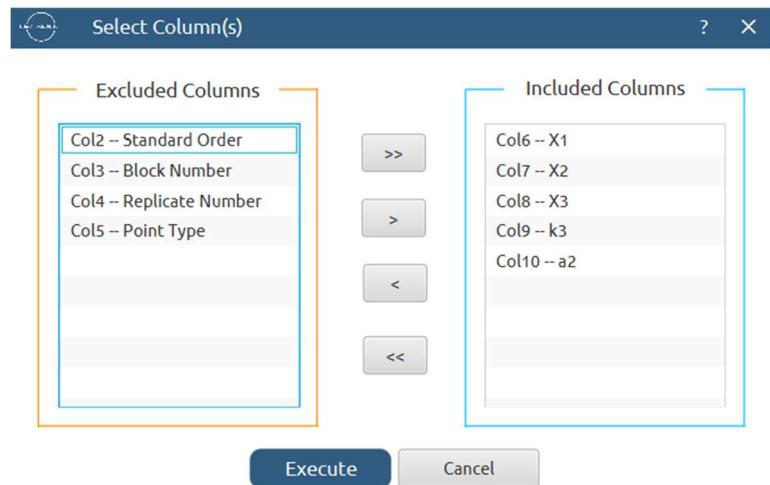


## Step 3: Data isolation

Create a new tab named “Data - BBD” and import the results from the “Box Behnken” and “Responses - BBD” spreadsheets by right clicking on the left spreadsheet. Then, select only the factors and responses columns to be transferred to the right spreadsheet: Data Transformation → Data Manipulation → Select Column(s)

	Col1	Col2	Col3	Col4	Col5	Col6
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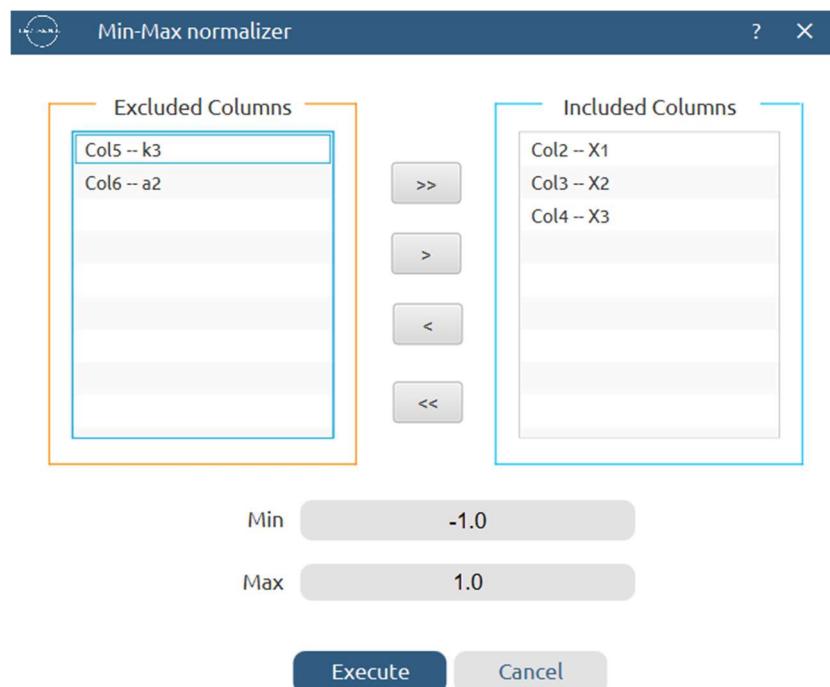
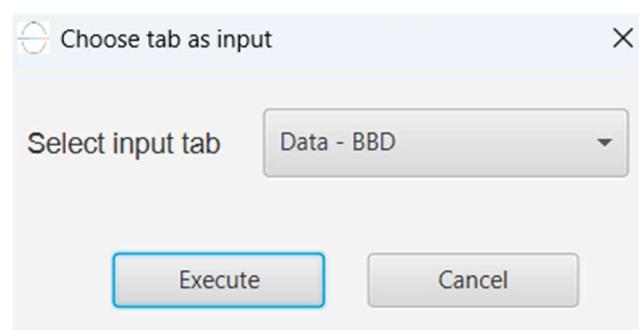
Results:

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	X1	X2	X3	k3	a2
1		90.0	40.0	4.75	3.53	1.5
2		94.0	40.0	4.75	23.65	1.65
3		90.0	80.0	4.75	3.47	1.38
4		94.0	80.0	4.75	20.19	1.5
5		90.0	60.0	4.0	1.34	1.26
6		94.0	60.0	4.0	8.78	1.36
7		90.0	60.0	5.5	4.24	1.43
8		94.0	60.0	5.5	28.96	1.64
9		92.0	40.0	4.0	3.63	1.33
10		92.0	80.0	4.0	2.9	1.23
11		92.0	40.0	5.5	9.92	1.72
12		92.0	80.0	5.5	10.53	1.61
13		92.0	60.0	4.75	7.34	1.47
14		92.0	60.0	4.75	7.08	1.46
15		92.0	60.0	4.75	7.86	1.51

## Step 4: Normalization

Create a new tab named “Normalized data - BBD” and import the results from the “Data - BBD” spreadsheet. Afterwards, normalize the factor columns to take values in the range [-1, 1]: Data Transformation → Normalizers → Min-Max

	Col1	Col2	Col3	Col4	Col5	Col6
User Header	User Row ID					
1						
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Results:

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	X1	X2	X3	k3	a2
1		-1.0	-1.0	0.0	3.53	1.5
2		1.0	-1.0	0.0	23.65	1.65
3		-1.0	1.0	0.0	3.47	1.38
4		1.0	1.0	0.0	20.19	1.5
5		-1.0	0.0	-1.0	1.34	1.26
6		1.0	0.0	-1.0	8.78	1.36
7		-1.0	0.0	1.0	4.24	1.43
8		1.0	0.0	1.0	28.96	1.64
9		0.0	-1.0	-1.0	3.63	1.33
10		0.0	1.0	-1.0	2.9	1.23
11		0.0	-1.0	1.0	9.92	1.72
12		0.0	1.0	1.0	10.53	1.61
13		0.0	0.0	0.0	7.34	1.47
14		0.0	0.0	0.0	7.08	1.46
15		0.0	0.0	0.0	7.86	1.51

## Step 5: Regression

The goal here is to produce a regression equation that includes main effects, two-factor interactions, and quadratic effects for  $k_3$ :

$$Y = b_0 + b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + b_3X_3 + b_{12}X_1X_2 + b_{13}X_1X_3 + b_{23}X_2X_3 + b_{11}X_1^2 + b_{22}X_2^2 + b_{33}X_3^2$$

Create a new tab named “Regression –  $k_3$  - BBD” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Normalized data - BBD”. Afterwards, fit a generalized linear model to the data: [Analytics → Regression → Statistical fitting → Generalized Linear Models](#)

Generalized Linear Models Regression

Type: Linear

Confidence Level...: 95

Scale Parameter Method: Fixed value

Dependent Variable: Col5 - k3

Value: 1.0

Excluded Columns: Col6 - a2

Factors:

Covariates: Col2 - X1, Col3 - X2, Col4 - X3

Custom

Include All Main Effects

Full Factorial

X1+X2+X3+X1:X1+X2:X3:X3+X1:X2+X2:X3+X1:X3

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Results:

k3	Prediction
3.53	3.6900000
23.65	22.6400000
3.47	4.4800000
20.19	20.0300000
1.34	1.9000000
8.78	10.5100000
4.24	2.5100000
28.96	28.4000000
3.63	2.9100000
2.9	1.3300000
9.92	11.4900000
10.53	11.2500000
7.34	7.4266667
7.08	7.4266667
7.86	7.4266667

Goodness of Fit	
	Value
Deviance	14.9864667
Scaled Deviance	14.9864667
Pearson Chi-Square	14.9864667
Scaled Pearson Chi-Square	14.9864667
Log Likelihood	-21.2773113
Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC)	62.5546227
Finite Sample Corrected AIC (AICC)	117.5546227
Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)	69.6351247
Consistent AIC (CAIC)	79.6351247

Parameter Estimates							
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	Lower CI	Upper CI	Test Statistic	df	p-value
intercept	7.4266667	0.5773503	6.2950809	8.5582524	165.4661333	1	0.0
X1	8.6250000	0.3535534	7.9320481	9.3179519	595.1250000	1	0.0
X2	-0.4550000	0.3535534	-1.1479519	0.2379519	1.6562000	1	0.1981172
X3	4.625	0.3535534	3.9320481	5.3179519	171.1250000	1	0.0
X1*X3	4.32	0.5	3.3400180	5.2999820	74.6496	1	0.0
X1*X2	-0.8500000	0.5	-1.8299820	0.1299820	2.8900000	1	0.0891309
X2*X3	0.3350000	0.5	-0.6449820	1.3149820	0.4489000	1	0.5028578
X1*X1	4.6841667	0.5204165	3.6641691	5.7041643	81.0144641	1	0.0
X2*X2	0.5991667	0.5204165	-0.4208309	1.6191643	1.3255410	1	0.2496000
X3*X3	-1.2808333	0.5204165	-2.3008309	-0.2608357	6.0573564	1	0.0138485

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results,  $a_2$ :

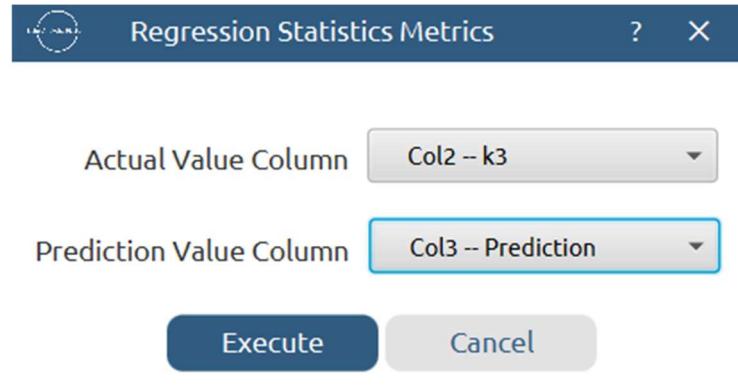
a2	Prediction
1.5	1.4875000
1.65	1.6475000
1.38	1.3825000
1.5	1.5125000
1.26	1.2250000
1.36	1.315
1.43	1.4750000
1.64	1.6750000
1.33	1.3775000
1.23	1.2625000
1.72	1.6875000
1.61	1.5625000
1.47	1.4800000
1.46	1.4800000
1.51	1.4800000

Goodness of Fit	
Value	
Deviance	0.0148500
Scaled Deviance	0.0148500
Pearson Chi-Square	0.0148500
Scaled Pearson Chi-Square	0.0148500
Log Likelihood	-13.7915030
Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC)	47.5830060
Finite Sample Corrected AIC (AICC)	102.5830060
Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)	54.6635080
Consistent AIC (CAIC)	64.6635080

Parameter Estimates							
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	Lower CI	Upper CI	Test Statistic	df	p-value
intercept	1.4800000	0.5773503	0.3484143	2.6115857	6.5712000	1	0.0103642
X1	0.0725000	0.3535534	-0.6204519	0.7654519	0.0420500	1	0.8375245
X2	-0.0600000	0.3535534	-0.7529519	0.6329519	0.0288000	1	0.8652416
X3	0.1525000	0.3535534	-0.5404519	0.8454519	0.1860500	1	0.6662247
X1*X3	0.0275000	0.5	-0.9524820	1.0074820	0.0030250	1	0.9561385
X1*X2	-0.0075000	0.5	-0.9874820	0.9724820	0.0002250	1	0.9880322
X2*X3	-0.0025000	0.5	-0.9824820	0.9774820	0.0000250	1	0.9960106
X1*X1	-0.0112500	0.5204165	-1.0312476	1.0087476	0.0004673	1	0.9827532
X2*X2	0.0387500	0.5204165	-0.9812476	1.0587476	0.0055442	1	0.9406447
X3*X3	-0.0462500	0.5204165	-1.0662476	0.9737476	0.0078981	1	0.9291843

## Step 6: Regression Metrics

Create a tab named “Metrics –  $k_3$  - BBD” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Regression –  $k_3$  - BBD”. Then, produce the regression metrics for the  $k_3$  regression equation: [Statistics → Model Metrics → Regression Metrics](#)



Results:

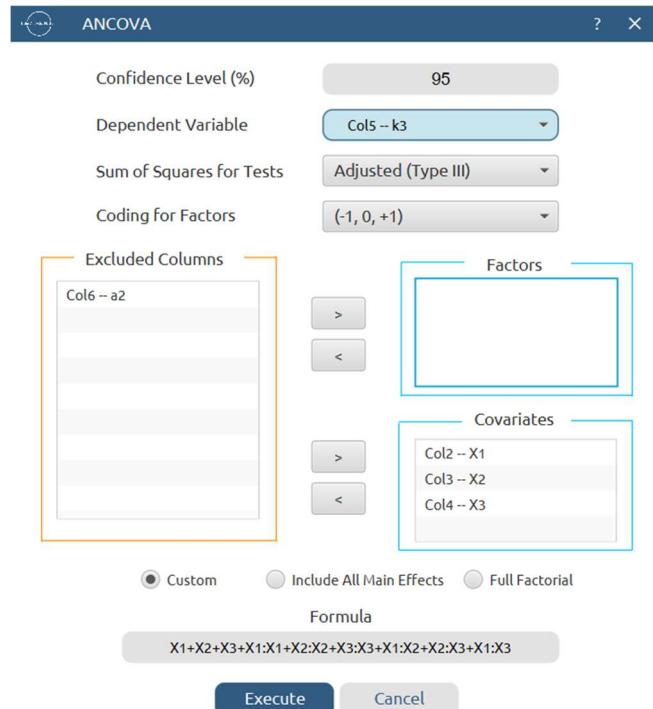
	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Mean Squared Error	Root Mean Squared Error	Mean Absolute Error	R Squared
1		0.9990978	0.9995488	0.8244444	0.9842641

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results,  $a_2$ :

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Mean Squared Error	Root Mean Squared Error	Mean Absolute Error	R Squared
1		0.0009900	0.0314643	0.0273333	0.9487931

## Step 7: Analysis of Covariance

Create a new tab named “ANCOVA – k3 - BBD” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Normalized data - BBD”. Afterwards perform analysis of covariance for k<sub>3</sub>: Statistics → Analysis of (Co)Variance → ANCOVA



Results:

	Col1	Col2 (S)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Source	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F-Value	P-Value
1		X1	1	595.1250000	595.1250000	198.5541400	0.0000324
2		X2	1	1.6562000	1.6562000	0.5525652	0.4907024
3		X3	1	171.1250000	171.1250000	57.0931774	0.0006436
4		X1*X1	1	81.0144641	81.0144641	27.0292077	0.0034700
5		X2*X2	1	1.3255410	1.3255410	0.4422460	0.5354806
6		X3*X3	1	6.0573564	6.0573564	2.0209421	0.2144031
7		X1*X2	1	2.8900000	2.8900000	0.9642033	0.3712248
8		X2*X3	1	0.4489000	0.4489000	0.1497685	0.7146804
9		X1*X3	1	74.6496000	74.6496000	24.9056704	0.0041381
10		Error	5	14.9864667	2.9972933		
11		Total	14	952.3729733			

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results, a<sub>2</sub>:

	Col1	Col2 (S)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Source	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F-Value	P-Value
1		X1	1	0.0420500	0.0420500	14.1582492	0.0131204
2		X2	1	0.0288000	0.0288000	9.6969697	0.0264310
3		X3	1	0.1860500	0.1860500	62.6430976	0.0005183
4		X1*X1	1	0.0004673	0.0004673	0.1573427	0.7079790
5		X2*X2	1	0.0055442	0.0055442	1.8667444	0.2300879
6		X3*X3	1	0.0078981	0.0078981	2.6592852	0.1638757
7		X1*X2	1	0.0002250	0.0002250	0.0757576	0.7941430
8		X2*X3	1	0.0000250	0.0000250	0.0084175	0.9304615
9		X1*X3	1	0.0030250	0.0030250	1.0185185	0.3591866
10		Error	5	0.0148500	0.0029700		
11		Total	14	0.2900000			

## Robustness testing stage

### Step 8: Fractional Factorial Design

Create a new tab named “Fractional Factorial” and define the factors of this stage in the column headers. Afterwards, fill each column with the low and high levels of the corresponding factors and apply the fractional factorial method: DOE → Screening → Fractional Factorial

	Col1	Col2 (I)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (I)
User Header	User Row ID	A	B	C	D	E
1		90	45	5.1	0.9	25
2		91	55	5.5	1.1	35

DoE Fractional Factorial

Number of Center Points per Block: 3

Number of Replicates: 1

Number of Blocks: 1

Random Standard order

Fraction Relationship: a b c ab ac

**Excluded Columns**

**Included Columns**

- Col2 -- A
- Col3 -- B
- Col4 -- C
- Col5 -- D
- Col6 -- E

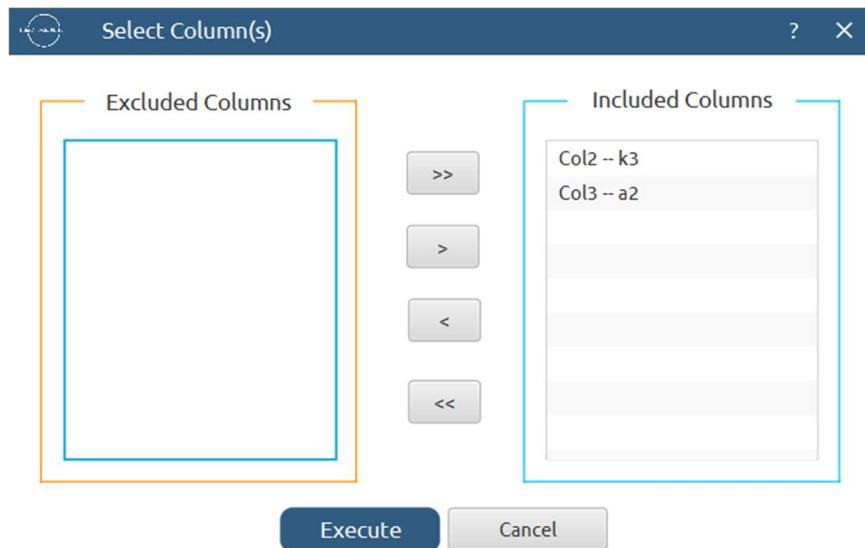
### Results:

	Col1	Col2 (I)	Col3 (S)	Col4 (S)	Col5 (S)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)	Col8 (D)	Col9 (D)	Col10 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Standard Order	Block Number	Replicate Number	Point Type	A	B	C	D	E
1		1	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	45.0	5.1	1.1	35.0
2		2	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	91.0	45.0	5.1	0.9	25.0
3		3	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	55.0	5.1	0.9	35.0
4		4	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	91.0	55.0	5.1	1.1	25.0
5		5	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	45.0	5.5	1.1	25.0
6		6	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	91.0	45.0	5.5	0.9	35.0
7		7	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	90.0	55.0	5.5	0.9	25.0
8		8	Block: 1	Replicate: 1	Design Point	91.0	55.0	5.5	1.1	35.0
9		9	Block: 1	----	Center Point	90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0
10		10	Block: 1	----	Center Point	90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0
11		11	Block: 1	----	Center Point	90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0

## Step 9: Definition of response variables

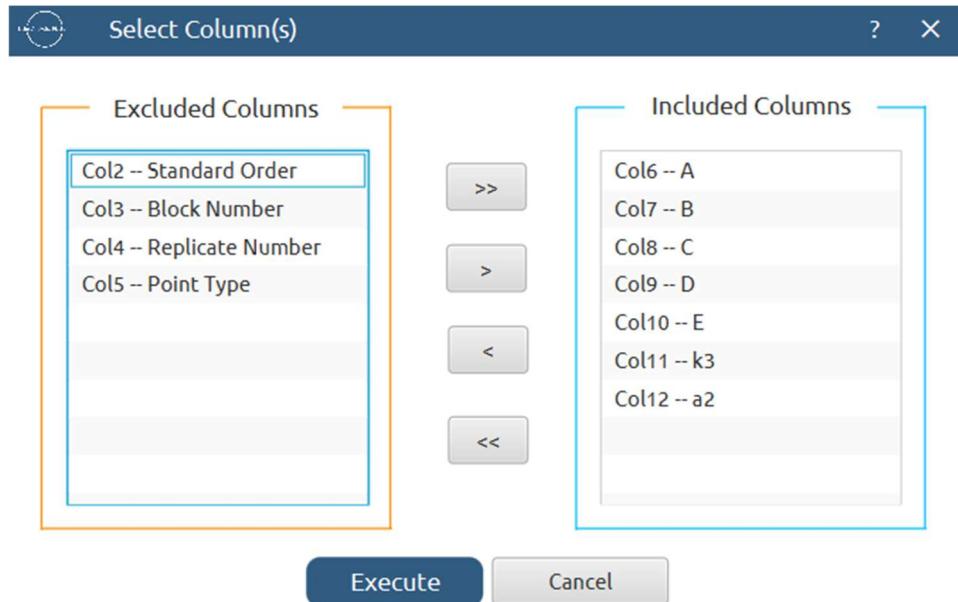
Create a new tab named “Responses - FF” and define the responses in the column headers. Fill each column with the values of the corresponding responses that were observed and make sure the values follow the order of the experiments as given by the fractional factorial method. Then, select all columns to be transferred to the right spreadsheet: [Data Transformation](#) → [Data Manipulation](#) → [Select Column\(s\)](#)

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	k3	a2
1		3.32	1.55
2		6.18	1.51
3		4.4	1.49
4		4.97	1.54
5		3.6	1.53
6		5.73	1.55
7		4.5	1.47
8		5.17	1.59
9		4.52	1.49
10		4.6	1.49
11		4.29	1.5



## Step 10: Data isolation

Create a new tab named “Data - FF” and import the results from the “Fractional Factorial” and “Responses - FF” spreadsheets by right clicking on the left spreadsheet. Then, select only the factors and responses columns to be transferred to the right spreadsheet: [Data Transformation](#) → [Data Manipulation](#) → [Select Column\(s\)](#)

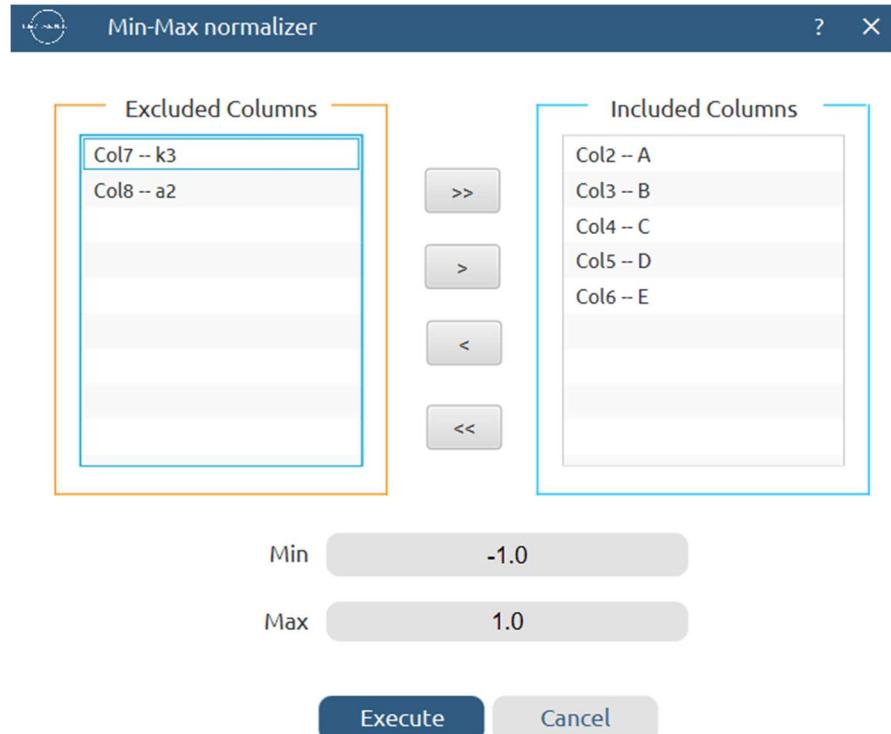


Results:

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)	Col8 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	A	B	C	D	E	k3	a2
1		90.0	45.0	5.1	1.1	35.0	3.32	1.55
2		91.0	45.0	5.1	0.9	25.0	6.18	1.51
3		90.0	55.0	5.1	0.9	35.0	4.4	1.49
4		91.0	55.0	5.1	1.1	25.0	4.97	1.54
5		90.0	45.0	5.5	1.1	25.0	3.6	1.53
6		91.0	45.0	5.5	0.9	35.0	5.73	1.55
7		90.0	55.0	5.5	0.9	25.0	4.5	1.47
8		91.0	55.0	5.5	1.1	35.0	5.17	1.59
9		90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0	4.52	1.49
10		90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0	4.6	1.49
11		90.5	50.0	5.3	1.0	30.0	4.29	1.5

## Step 11: Normalization

Create a new tab named “Normalized data - FF” and import the results from the “Data - FF” spreadsheet. Afterwards, normalize the factor columns to take values in the range [-1, 1]: [Data Transformation → Normalizers → Min-Max](#)



Results:

		Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)	Col8 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	A	B	C	D	E	k3	a2	
1		-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	1.0	1.0	3.32	1.55	
2		1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	6.18	1.51	
3		-1.0	1.0	-1.0	-1.0	1.0	4.4	1.49	
4		1.0	1.0	-1.0	1.0	-1.0	4.97	1.54	
5		-1.0	-1.0	1.0	1.0	-1.0	3.6	1.53	
6		1.0	-1.0	1.0	-1.0	1.0	5.73	1.55	
7		-1.0	1.0	1.0	-1.0	-1.0	4.5	1.47	
8		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.17	1.59	
9		0.0	0.0	0.0	0E-7	0.0	4.52	1.49	
10		0.0	0.0	0.0	0E-7	0.0	4.6	1.49	
11		0.0	0.0	0.0	0E-7	0.0	4.29	1.5	

## Step 12: Regression

The goal here is to produce a regression equation that includes main effects for  $k_3$ :

$$Y = b_0 + b_1A + b_2B + b_3C + b_4D + b_5E$$

Create a new tab named “Regression –  $k_3$  - FF” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Normalized data - FF”. Afterwards, fit a generalized linear model to the data: [Analytics](#) → [Regression](#) → [Statistical fitting](#) → [Generalized Linear Models](#)

Generalized Linear Models Regression

Type: Linear

Confidence Level...: 95

Scale Parameter Method: Fixed value

Dependent Variable: Col7 -- k3

Value: 1.0

Excluded Columns: Col8 -- a2

Factors:

Covariates: Col2 -- A, Col3 -- B, Col4 -- C, Col5 -- D

Custom (radio button selected)

Include All Main Effects

Full Factorial

Formula: A+B+C+D+E

Execute Cancel

Results:

k3	Prediction		
3.32	3.2930682	Goodness of Fit	
6.18	5.9455682	Value	
4.4	4.2830682	Deviance	0.3173011
4.97	5.0605682	Scaled Deviance	0.3173011
3.6	3.4830682	Pearson Chi-Square	0.3173011
5.73	5.8205682	Scaled Pearson Chi-Square	0.3173011
4.5	4.4730682	Log Likelihood	-10.2669744
5.17	4.9355682	Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC)	32.5339489
4.52	4.6618182	Finite Sample Corrected AIC (AICC)	53.5339489
4.6	4.6618182	Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)	34.9213205
4.29	4.6618182	Consistent AIC (CAIC)	40.9213205

Parameter Estimates							
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	Lower CI	Upper CI	Test Statistic	df	p-value
intercept	4.6618182	0.3015113	4.0708668	5.2527696	239.0580364	1	0.0
A	0.7787500	0.3535534	0.0857981	1.4717019	4.8516125	1	0.0276203
B	0.0262500	0.3535534	-0.6667019	0.7192019	0.0055125	1	0.9408145
C	0.0162500	0.3535534	-0.6767019	0.7092019	0.0021125	1	0.9633406
D	-0.4687500	0.3535534	-1.1617019	0.2242019	1.7578125	1	0.1848976
E	-0.0787500	0.3535534	-0.7717019	0.6142019	0.0496125	1	0.8237389

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results, a<sub>2</sub>:

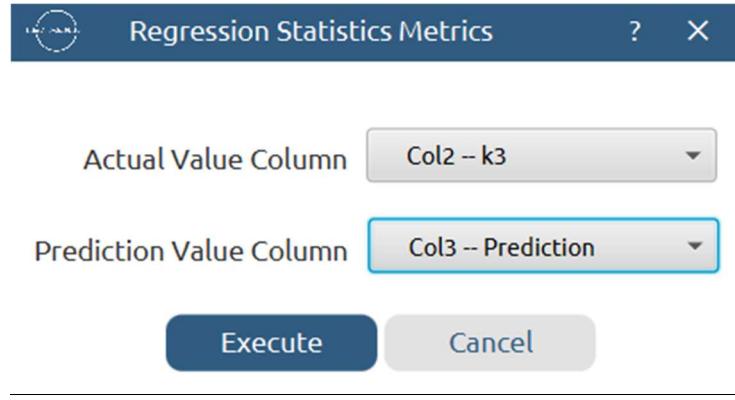
a2	Prediction
1.55	1.5403409
1.51	1.4978409
1.49	1.4803409
1.54	1.5328409
1.53	1.5203409
1.55	1.5428409
1.47	1.4603409
1.59	1.5778409
1.49	1.5190909
1.49	1.5190909
1.5	1.5190909

Goodness of Fit	
	Value
Deviance	0.0028284
Scaled Deviance	0.0028284
Pearson Chi-Square	0.0028284
Scaled Pearson Chi-Square	0.0028284
Log Likelihood	-10.1097381
Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC)	32.2194761
Finite Sample Corrected AIC (AICC)	53.2194761
Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)	34.6068478
Consistent AIC (CAIC)	40.6068478

Parameter Estimates							
Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	Lower CI	Upper CI	Test Statistic	df	p-value
intercept	1.5190909	0.3015113	0.9281395	2.1100423	25.3840091	1	5E-7
A	0.0187500	0.3535534	-0.6742019	0.7117019	0.0028125	1	0.9577056
B	-0.0062500	0.3535534	-0.6992019	0.6867019	0.0003125	1	0.9858960
C	0.0062500	0.3535534	-0.6867019	0.6992019	0.0003125	1	0.9858960
D	0.0237500	0.3535534	-0.6692019	0.7167019	0.0045125	1	0.9464423
E	0.0162500	0.3535534	-0.6767019	0.7092019	0.0021125	1	0.9633406

## Step 13: Regression Metrics

Create a tab named “Metrics –  $k_3$  - FF” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Regression –  $k_3$  - FF”. Then, produce the regression metrics for the  $k_3$  regression equation: Statistics → Model Metrics → Regression Metrics



Results:

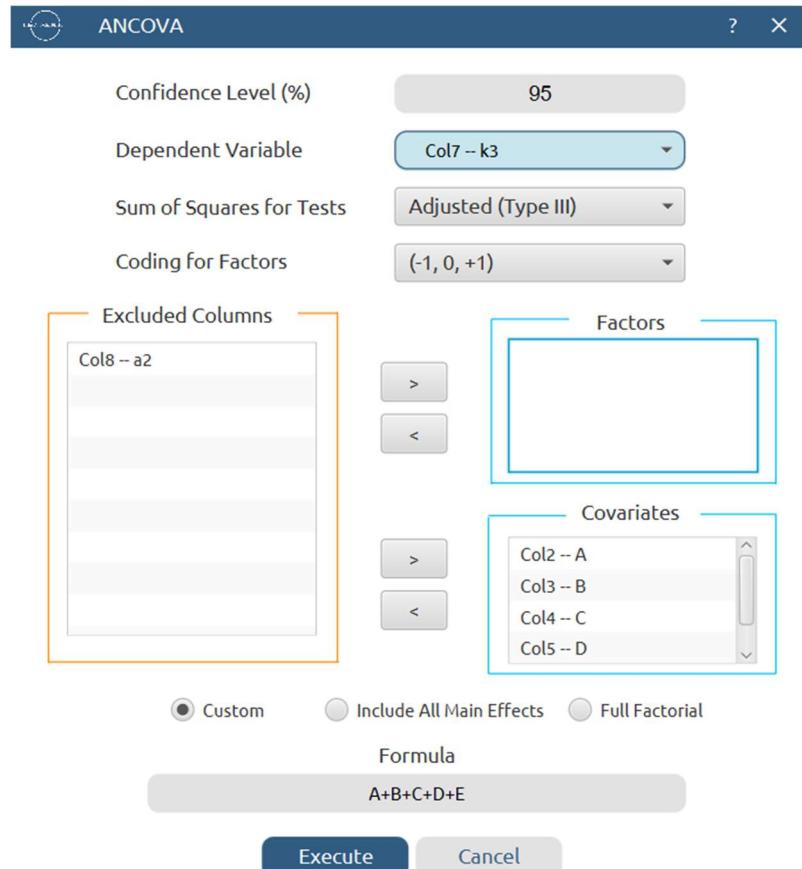
	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Mean Squared Error	Root Mean Squared Error	Mean Absolute Error	R Squared
1		0.0288456	0.1698398	0.1375620	0.9545672

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results,  $a_2$ :

	Col1	Col2 (D)	Col3 (D)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Mean Squared Error	Root Mean Squared Error	Mean Absolute Error	R Squared
1		0.0002571	0.0160352	0.0140496	0.7805889

## Step 14: Analysis of Covariance

Create a new tab named “ANCOVA – k3 - FF” and import the results from the spreadsheet “Normalized data - FF”. Afterwards perform analysis of covariance for  $k_3$ : Statistics → Analysis of (Co)Variance → ANCOVA



Results:

	Col1	Col2 (S)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Source	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F-Value	P-Value
1		A	1	4.8516125	4.8516125	76.4512311	0.0003242
2		B	1	0.0055125	0.0055125	0.0868654	0.7800455
3		C	1	0.0021125	0.0021125	0.0332886	0.8623953
4		D	1	1.7578125	1.7578125	27.6994359	0.0032906
5		E	1	0.0496125	0.0496125	0.7817889	0.4170786
6		Error	5	0.3173011	0.0634602		
7		Total	10	6.9839636			

Repeat this step for the second response variable. Results, a<sub>2</sub>:

	Col1	Col2 (S)	Col3 (I)	Col4 (D)	Col5 (D)	Col6 (D)	Col7 (D)
User Header	User Row ID	Source	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F-Value	P-Value
1		A	1	0.0028125	0.0028125	4.9718763	0.0761870
2		B	1	0.0003125	0.0003125	0.5524307	0.4907525
3		C	1	0.0003125	0.0003125	0.5524307	0.4907525
4		D	1	0.0045125	0.0045125	7.9770992	0.0369181
5		E	1	0.0021125	0.0021125	3.7344315	0.1111383
6		Error	5	0.0028284	0.0005657		
7		Total	10	0.0128909			

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