An Overview Of Bayesian Adaptive Clinical Trial Design

Already popular in the analysis of medical device trials, adaptive Bayesian designs are increasingly being used in drug development for a wide variety of diseases and conditions, from Alzheimer's disease and multiple sclerosis to obesity, diabetes, hepatitis C, and HIV. Written by leading pioneers of Bayesian clinical trial designs, Bayesian Adaptive Methods for Clinical Trials explores the growing role of Bayesian thinking in the rapidly changing world of clinical trial analysis. The book first summarizes the current state of clinical trial design and analysis and introduces the main ideas and potential benefits of a Bayesian alternative. It then gives an overview of basic Bayesian methodological and computational tools needed for Bayesian clinical trials. With a focus on Bayesian designs that achieve good power and Type I error, the next chapters present Bayesian tools useful in early (Phase I) and middle (Phase II) clinical trials as well as two recent Bayesian adaptive Phase II studies: the BATTLE and ISPY-2 trials. In the following chapter on late (Phase III) studies, the authors emphasize modern adaptive methods and seamless Phase II–III trials for maximizing information usage and minimizing trial duration. They also describe a case study of a recently approved medical device to treat atrial fibrillation. The concluding chapter covers key special topics, such as the proper use of historical data, equivalence studies, and subgroup analysis. For readers involved in clinical trials research, this book significantly updates and expands their statistical toolkits. The authors provide many detailed examples drawing on real data sets. The R and WinBUGS codes used throughout are available on supporting websites. Scott Berry talks about the book on the CRC Press YouTube Channel.

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development, and approval of new cures will be inspired by the possible applications of Bayesian methods covered in the book. The methods, applications, and computational guidance will enable the reader to apply Bayesian methods in their own pharmaceutical research.

This brief introduces a class of problems and models for the prediction of the scalar field of interest from noisy observations collected by mobile sensor networks. It also introduces the problem of optimal coordination of robotic sensors to maximize the prediction quality subject to communication and mobility constraints either in a centralized or distributed manner. To solve such problems, fully Bayesian approaches are adopted, allowing various sources of uncertainties to be integrated into an inferential framework effectively capturing all aspects of variability involved. The fully Bayesian approach also allows the most appropriate values for additional model parameters to be selected automatically by data, and the optimal inference and prediction for the underlying scalar field to be achieved. In particular, spatio-temporal Gaussian process regression is formulated for robotic sensors to fuse multifactorial effects of observations, measurement noise, and prior distributions for obtaining the predictive distribution of a scalar environmental field of interest. New techniques are introduced to avoid computationally prohibitive Markov chain Monte Carlo methods for resource-constrained mobile sensors. Bayesian Prediction and Adaptive Sampling Algorithms for Mobile Sensor Networks starts with a simple spatio-temporal model and increases the level of model flexibility and uncertainty step by step, simultaneously solving increasingly complicated problems and coping with increasing complexity, until it ends with fully Bayesian approaches that take into account a broad spectrum of uncertainties in observations, model parameters, and constraints in mobile sensor networks. The book is timely, being very useful for many researchers in control, robotics, computer science and statistics trying to tackle a variety of tasks such as environmental monitoring and adaptive sampling, surveillance, exploration, and plume tracking which are of increasing currency. Problems are solved creatively by seamless combination of theories and concepts from Bayesian statistics, mobile sensor networks, optimal experiment design, and distributed computation.

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Health economics is concerned with the study of the cost-effectiveness of health care interventions. This book provides an overview of Bayesian methods for the analysis of health economic data. After an introduction to the basic economic concepts and methods of evaluation, it presents Bayesian statistics using accessible mathematics. The next chapters describe the theory and practice of cost-effectiveness analysis from a statistical viewpoint, and Bayesian computation, notably MCMC. The final chapter presents three detailed case studies covering cost-effectiveness analyses using individual data from clinical trials, evidence synthesis and hierarchical models and Markov models. The text uses WinBUGS and JAGS with datasets and code available online.

Teachers use e-learning systems to develop course notes and web-based activities to communicate with learners on one side and monitor and classify their progress on the other. Learners use it for learning, communication, and collaboration. Adaptive e-learning systems often employ learner models, and the behavior of an adaptive system varies depending on the data from the learner model and the learner's profile. Without knowing anything about the learner who uses the system, a system would behave in exactly the same way for all learners. Bayesian Networks for Managing Learner Models in Adaptive Hypermedia Systems: Emerging Research and Opportunities is a collection of research on the use of Bayesian networks and methods as a probabilistic formalism for the management of the learner model in adaptive hypermedia. It specifically discusses comparative studies, transformation rules, and case diagrams that support all phases of the learner model and the use of Bayesian networks and multi-entity Bayesian networks to manage dynamic aspects of this model. While highlighting topics such as developing the learner model, learning management systems, and modeling techniques, this book is ideally designed for instructional designers, course administrators, educators, researchers, and professionals.

This tutorial text gives a unifying perspective on machine learning by covering both probabilistic and deterministic approaches -which are based on optimization

techniques – together with the Bayesian inference approach, whose essence lies in the use of a hierarchy of probabilistic models. The book presents the major machine learning methods as they have been developed in different disciplines, such as statistics, statistical and adaptive signal processing and computer science. Focusing on the physical reasoning behind the mathematics, all the various methods and techniques are explained in depth, supported by examples and problems, giving an invaluable resource to the student and researcher for understanding and applying machine learning concepts. The book builds carefully from the basic classical methods to the most recent trends, with chapters written to be as self-contained as possible, making the text suitable for different courses: pattern recognition, statistical/adaptive signal processing, statistical/Bayesian learning, as well as short courses on sparse modeling, deep learning, and probabilistic graphical models. All major classical techniques: Mean/Least-Squares regression and filtering, Kalman filtering, stochastic approximation and online learning, Bayesian classification, decision trees, logistic regression and boosting methods. The latest trends: Sparsity, convex analysis and optimization, online distributed algorithms, learning in RKH spaces, Bayesian inference, graphical and hidden Markov models, particle filtering, deep learning, dictionary learning and latent variables modeling. Case studies - protein folding prediction, optical character recognition, text authorship identification, fMRI data analysis, change point detection, hyperspectral image unmixing, target localization, channel equalization and echo cancellation, show how the theory can be applied. MATLAB code for all the main algorithms are available on an accompanying website, enabling the reader to experiment with the code.

Design and Analysis of Clinical Trials for Predictive Medicine provides statistical guidance on conducting clinical trials for predictive medicine. It covers statistical topics relevant to the main clinical research phases for developing molecular diagnostics and therapeutics—from identifying molecular biomarkers using DNA microarrays to confirming their clinical utility in randomized clinical trials. The foundation of modern clinical trials was laid many years before modern developments in biotechnology and genomics. Drug development in many diseases is now shifting to molecularly targeted treatment. Confronted with such a major break in the evolution toward personalized or predictive medicine, the methodologies for design and analysis of clinical trials is now evolving. This book is one of the first attempts to contribute to this evolution by laying a foundation for the use of appropriate statistical designs and methods in future clinical trials for predictive medicine. It is a useful resource for clinical biostatisticians, researchers focusing on predictive medicine, clinical investigators, translational scientists, and graduate biostatistics students.

"As has been well-discussed, the explosion of interest in Bayesian methods over the last 10 to 20 years has been the result of the convergence of modern computing power and e?cient Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algo- rithms for sampling from and summarizing posterior distributions. Prac- titioners trained in traditional, frequentist statistical methods appear to have been drawn to Bayesian approaches for three reasons. One is that Bayesian approaches implemented with the majority of their

informative content coming from the current data, and not any external prior information, typically have good frequentist properties (e.g., low mean squared er- ror in repeated use). Second, these methods as now readily implemented in WinBUGS and other MCMC-driven software packages now o?er the simplest approach to hierarchical (random e?ects) modeling, as routinely needed in longitudinal, frailty, spatial, time series, and a wide variety of other settings featuring interdependent data. Third, practitioners are attracted by the greater ?exibility and adaptivity of the Bayesian approach, which permits stopping for e?cacy, toxicity, and futility, as well as facilitates a straightforward solution to a great many other specialized problems such as dose-nding, adaptive randomization, equivalence testing, and others we shall describe. This book presents the Bayesian adaptive approach to the design and analysis of clinical trials"--Résumé de l'éditeur

A Single Cohesive Framework of Tools and Procedures for Psychometrics and Assessment Bayesian Psychometric Modeling presents a unified Bayesian approach across traditionally separate families of psychometric models. It shows that Bayesian techniques, as alternatives to conventional approaches, offer distinct and profound advantages in achieving many goals of psychometrics. Adopting a Bayesian approach can aid in unifying seemingly disparate—and sometimes conflicting—ideas and activities in psychometrics. This book explains both how to perform psychometrics using Bayesian methods and why many of the activities in psychometrics align with Bayesian thinking. The first part of the book introduces foundational principles and statistical models, including conceptual issues, normal distribution models, Markov chain Monte Carlo estimation, and regression. Focusing more directly on psychometrics, the second part covers popular psychometric models, including classical test theory, factor analysis, item response theory, latent class analysis, and Bayesian networks. Throughout the book, procedures are illustrated using examples primarily from educational assessments. A supplementary website provides the datasets, WinBUGS code, R code, and Netica files used in the examples.

Performance evaluation in Bayesian adaptive randomization.

Unleash the power and flexibility of the Bayesian framework About This Book Simplify the Bayes process for solving complex statistical problems using Python; Tutorial guide that will take the you through the journey of Bayesian analysis with the help of sample problems and practice exercises; Learn how and when to use Bayesian analysis in your applications with this guide. Who This Book Is For Students, researchers and data scientists who wish to learn Bayesian data analysis with Python and implement probabilistic models in their day to day projects. Programming experience with Python is essential. No previous statistical knowledge is assumed. What You Will Learn Understand the essentials Bayesian concepts from a practical point of view Learn how to build probabilistic models using the Python library PyMC3 Acquire the skills to sanity-check your models and modify them if necessary Add structure to your models and get the advantages of hierarchical models Find out how different models can be used to answer different data analysis questions When in doubt, learn to choose between alternative models. Predict continuous target outcomes using regression analysis or assign classes using logistic and softmax regression. Learn how to think probabilistically and unleash the power and flexibility of the Bayesian framework In Detail The purpose of this book is to teach the main concepts of Bayesian data

analysis. We will learn how to effectively use PyMC3, a Python library for probabilistic programming, to perform Bayesian parameter estimation, to check models and validate them. This book begins presenting the key concepts of the Bayesian framework and the main advantages of this approach from a practical point of view. Moving on, we will explore the power and flexibility of generalized linear models and how to adapt them to a wide array of problems, including regression and classification. We will also look into mixture models and clustering data, and we will finish with advanced topics like non-parametrics models and Gaussian processes. With the help of Python and PyMC3 you will learn to implement, check and expand Bayesian models to solve data analysis problems. Style and approach Bayes algorithms are widely used in statistics, machine learning, artificial intelligence, and data mining. This will be a practical guide allowing the readers to use Bayesian methods for statistical modelling and analysis using Python.

In response to the US FDA's Critical Path Initiative, innovative adaptive designs are being used more and more in clinical trials due to their flexibility and efficiency, especially during early phase development. Handbook of Adaptive Designs in Pharmaceutical and Clinical Development provides a comprehensive and unified presentation of the princip

This dissertation, "Bayesian Adaptive Methods for Phase I Clinical Trials" by Ruitao, Lin, ???, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License. The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the author. Abstract: The primary objective of phase I dose-finding trials is to determine the maximum tolerated dose (MTD), which is typically defined as the dose with the dose-limiting toxicity probability closest to the target toxicity probability. The American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) recently published an update of the ASCO policy statement to call for new phase I trial designs to allow for more efficient escalation to the therapeutic dose levels in order to cope with the changing landscape in cancer research. In this thesis, innovative and robust designs for single- or multiple-agent phase I dose-finding trials are studied. To enhance robustness and efficiency, two nonparametric methods are proposed to locate the MTD in single-agent phase I clinical trials without imposing any parametric assumption on the underlying distribution of the toxicity curve. First, a uniformly most powerful Bayesian interval (UMPBI) design is developed for dose finding, where the optimal interval is determined by the rejection region of the uniformly most powerful Bayesian test. UMPBI is easy to implement and can be nicely interpreted. Compared with existing interval designs, the proposed UMPBI design exhibits a unique feature of convergence to the MTD. Next, a nonparametric overdose control (NOC) method is proposed by casting dose finding in a Bayesian model selection framework. Each dose assignment under NOC is determined such that the posterior probability of overdosing is controlled. In addition, NOC is incorporated with a fractional imputation method to deal with late-onset toxicity outcomes. Both of the UMPBI and NOC designs are flexible, as well as possessing sound theoretical support and desirable numerical performance. In the era of precision medicine, combination therapy is playing an increasingly important role in drug development. However, drug

combinations often lead to a high-dimensional dose searching space compared to conventional single-agent dose finding, especially when three or more drugs are combined for treatment. Most of the current dose-finding designs aim to quantify the toxicity probability space using certain prespecified yet complicated models. Not only do these models characterize each individual drug's toxicity profile, but they also need to quantify their interaction effects, which often leads to multi-parameter models. In order to stabilize the current practice of dose finding in drug-combination trials with limited sample sizes, a random walk Bayesian optimal interval (RW-BOIN) design and a Bootstrap aggregating continual reassessment method (Bagging CRM) are proposed. RW-BOIN is built on the basis of the single-agent BOIN design, and it can be utilized to tackle high-dimensional dose-finding problems. A convergence theorem is established to ensure the validity of RW-BOIN. On the other hand, Bagging CRM implements a dimension reduction technique and some ensemble methods in machine learning, so that the toxicity probability space can be stably reduced to a one-dimensional searching line. Simulation studies show that both RW-BOIN and Bagging CRM have comparative and robust operating characteristics compared with existing approaches under various dose-toxicity scenarios. All of the proposed methods are exemplified with real phase I dose-finding trials. Subjects: Bayesian statistical decision theory Clinical trials - Statistical methods

Adaptive design has become an important tool in modern pharmaceutical research and development. Compared to a classic trial design with static features, an adaptive design allows for the modification of the characteristics of ongoing trials based on cumulative information. Adaptive designs increase the probability of success, reduce costs and the time to market, and promote accurate drug delivery to patients. Reflecting the state of the art in adaptive design approaches, Adaptive Design Theory and Implementation Using SAS and R provides a concise, unified presentation of adaptive design theories, uses SAS and R for the design and simulation of adaptive trials, and illustrates how to master different adaptive designs through real-world examples. The book focuses on simple two-stage adaptive designs with sample size re-estimation before moving on to explore more challenging designs and issues that include drop-loser, adaptive dose-funding, biomarker-adaptive, multiple-endpoint adaptive, response-adaptive randomization, and Bayesian adaptive designs. In many of the chapters, the author compares methods and provides practical examples of the designs, including those used in oncology, cardiovascular, and inflammation trials. Equipped with the knowledge of adaptive design presented in this book, you will be able to improve the efficiency of your trial design, thereby reducing the time and cost of drug development.

The first unified treatment of time series modelling techniques spanning machine learning, statistics, engineering and computer science.

Group sequential methods answer the needs of clinical trial monitoring committees who must assess the data available at an interim analysis. These interim results may provide grounds for terminating the study-effectively reducing costs-or may benefit the general patient population by allowing early

dissemination of its findings. Group sequential methods provide a means to balance the ethical and financial advantages of stopping a study early against the risk of an incorrect conclusion. Group Sequential Methods with Applications to Clinical Trials describes group sequential stopping rules designed to reduce average study length and control Type I and II error probabilities. The authors present one-sided and two-sided tests, introduce several families of group sequential tests, and explain how to choose the most appropriate test and interim analysis schedule. Their topics include placebo-controlled randomized trials, bio-equivalence testing, crossover and longitudinal studies, and linear and generalized linear models. Research in group sequential analysis has progressed rapidly over the past 20 years. Group Sequential Methods with Applications to Clinical Trials surveys and extends current methods for planning and conducting interim analyses. It provides straightforward descriptions of group sequential hypothesis tests in a form suited for direct application to a wide variety of clinical trials. Medical statisticians engaged in any investigations planned with interim analyses will find this book a useful and important tool.

This book covers domains of modern clinical trial design: classical, group sequential, adaptive, and Bayesian methods applicable to and used in various phases of pharmaceutical development. Written for biostatisticians, pharmacometricians, clinical developers, and statistical programmers involved in the design, analysis, and interpretation of clinical trials, as well as students in graduate and postgraduate programs in statistics or biostatistics, it covers topics including: dose-response and dose-escalation designs; sequential methods to stop trials early for overwhelming efficacy, safety, or futility; Bayesian designs incorporating historical data; adaptive sample size re-estimation and randomization to allocate subjects to effective treatments; population enrichment designs. Methods are illustrated using clinical trials from diverse therapeutic areas, including dermatology, endocrinology, infectious disease, neurology, oncology and rheumatology. --

Reliably optimizing a new treatment in humans is a critical first step in clinical evaluation since choosing a suboptimal dose or schedule may lead to failure in later trials. At the same time, if promising preclinical results do not translate into a real treatment advance, it is important to determine this quickly and terminate the clinical evaluation process to avoid wasting resources. Bayesian Designs for Phase I–II Clinical Trials describes how phase I–II designs can serve as a bridge or protective barrier between preclinical studies and large confirmatory clinical trials. It illustrates many of the severe drawbacks with conventional methods used for early-phase clinical trials and presents numerous Bayesian designs for human clinical trials of new experimental treatment regimes. Written by research leaders from the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, this book shows how Bayesian designs for early-phase clinical trials can explore, refine, and optimize new experimental treatments. It emphasizes the importance of basing decisions on both efficacy and toxicity.

Adaptive designs are increasingly popular in clinical trials. This is because such designs have the potential to decrease patient exposure to treatments that areless efficacious or unsafe. The Bayesian approach to adaptive designs is attractivebecause it makes systematic use of prior data and other information in a way that is consistent with the laws of probability. The goal of this dissertation is to examine the effects of measurement error on a Bayesian adaptive design. Measurement error problems are common in a variety of regression applications where the variable of interest cannot be measured perfectly. This is often unavoidable because infallible measurement tools to account for such error are either too expensive or unavailable. When modeling the relationship between a response variable and other covariates, we must account for any uncertainty introduced when one or both of these variables are measured with error. This dissertation will explore the consequence of imperfect measurements on a Bayesian adaptive design.

Bayesian analyses have made important inroads in modern clinical research due, in part, to the incorporation of the traditional tools of noninformative priors as well as the modern innovations of adaptive randomization and predictive power. Presenting an introductory perspective to modern Bayesian procedures, Elementary Bayesian Biostatistics explo

Presents the Bayesian approach to statistical signal processing for a variety of useful model sets This book aims to give readers a unified Bayesian treatment starting from the basics (Baye’s rule) to the more advanced (Monte Carlo sampling), evolving to the next-generation model-based techniques (sequential Monte Carlo sampling). This next edition incorporates a new chapter on “Sequential Bayesian Detection,” a new section on “Ensemble Kalman Filters” as well as an expansion of Case Studies that detail Bayesian solutions for a variety of applications. These studies illustrate Bayesian approaches to real-world problems incorporating detailed particle filter designs, adaptive particle filters and sequential Bayesian detectors. In addition to these major developments a variety of sections are expanded to “fill-in-the gaps” of the first edition. Here metrics for particle filter (PF) designs with emphasis on classical “sanity testing” lead to ensemble techniques as a basic requirement for performance analysis. The expansion of information theory metrics and their application to PF designs is fully developed and applied. These expansions of the book have been updated to provide a more cohesive discussion of Bayesian processing with examples and applications enabling the comprehension of alternative approaches to solving estimation/detection problems. The second edition of Bayesian Signal Processing features: “Classical” Kalman filtering for linear, linearized, and nonlinear systems; “modern” unscented and ensemble Kalman filters: and the “next-generation” Bayesian particle filters Sequential Bayesian detection techniques incorporating model-based schemes for a variety of real-world problems Practical Bayesian processor designs including comprehensive methods of performance analysis ranging from simple sanity testing and ensemble techniques to sophisticated information metrics New case studies on adaptive particle filtering and sequential Bayesian detection are covered detailing more Bayesian approaches to applied problem solving MATLAB® notes at the end of each chapter help readers solve complex problems using readily available software commands and

point out other software packages available Problem sets included to test readers' knowledge and help them put their new skills into practice Bayesian Signal Processing, Second Edition is written for all students, scientists, and engineers who investigate and apply signal processing to their everyday problems.

This integrated introduction to fundamentals, computation, and software is your key to understanding and using advanced Bayesian methods.

Drug development is an iterative process. The recent publications of regulatory guidelines further entail a lifecycle approach. Blending data from disparate sources, the Bayesian approach provides a flexible framework for drug development. Despite its advantages, the uptake of Bayesian methodologies is lagging behind in the field of pharmaceutical development. Written specifically for pharmaceutical practitioners, Bayesian Analysis with R for Drug Development: Concepts, Algorithms, and Case Studies, describes a wide range of Bayesian applications to problems throughout pre-clinical, clinical, and Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Control (CMC) development. Authored by two seasoned statisticians in the pharmaceutical industry, the book provides detailed Bayesian solutions to a broad array of pharmaceutical problems. Features Provides a single source of information on Bayesian statistics for drug development Covers a wide spectrum of pre-clinical, clinical, and CMC topics Demonstrates proper Bayesian applications using real-life examples Includes easy-to-follow R code with Bayesian Markov Chain Monte Carlo performed in both JAGS and Stan Bayesian software platforms Offers sufficient background for each problem and detailed description of solutions suitable for practitioners with limited Bayesian knowledge Harry Yang, Ph.D., is Senior Director and Head of Statistical Sciences at AstraZeneca. He has 24 years of experience across all aspects of drug research and development and extensive global regulatory experiences. He has published 6 statistical books, 15 book chapters, and over 90 peer-reviewed papers on diverse scientific and statistical subjects, including 15 joint statistical works with Dr. Novick. He is a frequent invited speaker at national and international conferences. He also developed statistical courses and conducted training at the FDA and USP as well as Peking University. Steven Novick, Ph.D., is Director of Statistical Sciences at AstraZeneca. He has extensively contributed statistical methods to the biopharmaceutical literature. Novick is a skilled Bayesian computer programmer and is frequently invited to speak at conferences, having developed and taught courses in several areas, including drug-combination analysis and Bayesian methods in clinical areas. Novick served on IPAC-RS and has chaired several national statistical conferences.

Praise for the First Edition "All medical statisticians involved in clinical trials should read this book…" - Controlled Clinical Trials Featuring a unique combination of the applied aspects of randomization in clinical trials with a nonparametric approach to inference, Randomization in Clinical Trials: Theory and Practice, Second Edition is the go-to guide for biostatisticians and pharmaceutical industry statisticians. Randomization in Clinical Trials: Theory and Practice, Second Edition features: Discussions on current philosophies, controversies, and new developments in the increasingly important role of randomization techniques in clinical trials A new chapter on covariate-adaptive randomization, including minimization techniques and inference New developments in restricted randomization and an increased focus on computation of randomization tests

as opposed to the asymptotic theory of randomization tests Plenty of problem sets, theoretical exercises, and short computer simulations using SAS® to facilitate classroom teaching, simplify the mathematics, and ease readers' understanding Randomization in Clinical Trials: Theory and Practice, Second Edition is an excellent reference for researchers as well as applied statisticians and biostatisticians. The Second Edition is also an ideal textbook for upper-undergraduate and graduate-level courses in biostatistics and applied statistics. William F. Rosenberger, PhD, is University Professor and Chairman of the Department of Statistics at George Mason University. He is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, and author of over 80 refereed journal articles, as well as The Theory of Response-Adaptive Randomization in Clinical Trials, also published by Wiley. John M. Lachin, ScD, is Research Professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics as well as in the Department of Statistics at The George Washington University. A Fellow of the American Statistical Association and the Society for Clinical Trials, Dr. Lachin is actively involved in coordinating center activities for clinical trials of diabetes. He is the author of Biostatistical Methods: The Assessment of Relative Risks, Second Edition, also published by Wiley.

A balanced treatment of the theories, methodologies, and designissues involved in clinical trials using statisticalmethods There has been enormous interest and development in Bayesianadaptive designs, especially for early phases of clinical trials.However, for phase III trials, frequentist methods still play adominant role through controlling type I and type II errors in thehypothesis testing framework. From practical perspectives, ClinicalTrial Design: Bayesian and Frequentist Adaptive Methods providescomprehensive coverage of both Bayesian and frequentist approachesto all phases of clinical trial design. Before underpinning variousadaptive methods, the book establishes an overview of thefundamentals of clinical trials as well as a comparison of Bayesianand frequentist statistics. Recognizing that clinical trial design is one of the mostimportant and useful skills in the pharmaceutical industry, thisbook provides detailed discussions on a variety of statisticaldesigns, their properties, and operating characteristics for phaseI, II, and III clinical trials as well as an introduction to phaseIV trials. Many practical issues and challenges arising in clinicaltrials are addressed. Additional topics of coverage include: Risk and benefit analysis for toxicity and efficacytrade-offs Bayesian predictive probability trial monitoring Bayesian adaptive randomization Late onset toxicity and response Dose finding in drug combination trials Targeted therapy designs The author utilizes cutting-edge clinical trial designs andstatistical methods that have been employed at the world's leadingmedical centers as well as in the pharmaceutical industry. Thesoftware used throughout the book is freely available on the book'srelated website, equipping readers with the necessary tools fordesigning clinical trials. Clinical Trial Design is an excellent book for courses on thetopic at the graduate level. The book also serves as a valuablereference for statisticians and biostatisticians in thepharmaceutical industry as well as for researchers andpractitioners who design, conduct, and monitor clinical trials intheir everyday work.

With new statistical and scientific issues arising in adaptive clinical trial design, including the U.S. FDA's recent draft guidance, a new edition of one of the first books on the topic is needed. Adaptive Design Methods in Clinical Trials, Second Edition

reflects recent developments and regulatory positions on the use of adaptive designs in clinical trials. It unifies the vast and continuously growing literature and research activities on regulatory requirements, scientific and practical issues, and statistical methodology. New to the Second Edition Along with revisions throughout the text, this edition significantly updates the chapters on protocol amendment and clinical trial simulation to incorporate the latest changes. It also includes five entirely new chapters on two-stage adaptive design, biomarker adaptive trials, target clinical trials, sample size and power estimation, and regulatory perspectives. Following in the tradition of its acclaimed predecessor, this second edition continues to offer an up-to-date resource for clinical scientists and researchers in academia, regulatory agencies, and the pharmaceutical industry. Written in an intuitive style at a basic mathematical and statistical level, the book maintains its practical approach with an emphasis on concepts via numerous examples and illustrations.

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In this research, two new designs in clinical trials are proposed. The first problem is a new Bayesian adaptive dose-finding design and its application in an oncology clinical trial. This design is used for phase IB studies with the biomarker as the endpoint and with the fewer patients. The second problem is another new Bayesian adaptive dose-finding design with longitudinal analysis and its application in phase II depression clinical trial. This design is best fit for phase II dosing-finding clinical trials with clinical endpoints. MTD information has been obtained before the trials. In adaptive dose-finding clinical trials, the strategy is to reduce the allocation of patients to non-informative doses and also save the trial cost. Bayesian adaptive dose finding design has the ability to utilize accumulating data obtained in real time to alter the course of the trial, thereby enabling dynamic allocation to different dosing groups and dropping of ineffective dosing group earlier. In this research, Bayesian adaptive method is used as a new and useful approach that applies to phase IB and phase II dose-finding clinical trials to evaluate safety and efficacy of the study treatment. Response model and Normal Dynamic Linear Models (NDLMs) are applied in stages 1-4. Conditional probability for each parameter in the model is derived using appropriate prior distributions. Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) method is used to do the simulation. Model parameters with meaningful prior distributions and the posterior quantities are obtained to evaluate the trial results and they help to determine the optimal dose level which can be used in later studies. Simulations are done for different scenarios in the two designs and used to validate the model. Five-thousand simulation trials are conducted to verify the repeatability of the results. The posterior probability of success for the trial is greater than 90% based on the simulation results. The results give clearer idea if one needs to go further to test new dose levels based on the thorough evaluation of the existing partial data. Compared with the other adaptive dose finding strategy, the proposed Bayesian adaptive designs are sensitive and robust to help the investigators draw conclusion as early as possible. The designs can also reduce sample size substantially which in turn leads to savings in cost and time. Continuous-time Markov model has the advantage over the traditional survival model and can be used to describe disease as a series of probable transitions between health states. This is an attractive feature since it provides the ability to describe the course of disease over time. It can also describe and estimate expected survival in clinical cohort. In this

research, continuous-time Markov model is used in the time-to-event analysis in a phase II oncology trial. Six states are defined in the Markov chain which is used in time to progression analysis for 36 patients with neuroendocrine carcinoma. The transition probability matrix P is defined and used to iterate future transition and survival probabilities. The estimate from matrix analysis shows that the results are reliable and comparable with the Kaplan-Meier results.

The cost for bringing new medicine from discovery to market has nearly doubled in the last decade and has now reached $2.6 billion. There is an urgent need to make drug development less time-consuming and less costly. Innovative trial designs/ analyses such as the Bayesian approach are essential to meet this need. This book will be the first to provide comprehensive coverage of Bayesian applications across the span of drug development, from discovery, to clinical trial, to manufacturing with practical examples. This book will have a wide appeal to statisticians, scientists, and physicians working in drug development who are motivated to accelerate and streamline the drug development process, as well as students who aspire to work in this field. The advantages of this book are: Provides motivating, worked, practical case examples with easy to grasp models, technical details, and computational codes to run the analyses Balances practical examples with best practices on trial simulation and reporting, as well as regulatory perspectives Chapters written by authors who are individual contributors in their respective topics Dr. Mani Lakshminarayanan is a researcher and statistical consultant with more than 30 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry. He has published over 50 articles, technical reports, and book chapters besides serving as a referee for several journals. He has a PhD in Statistics from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas and is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association. Dr. Fanni Natanegara has over 15 years of pharmaceutical experience and is currently Principal Research Scientist and Group Leader for the Early Phase Neuroscience Statistics team at Eli Lilly and Company. She played a key role in the Advanced Analytics team to provide Bayesian education and statistical consultation at Eli Lilly. Dr. Natanegara is the chair of the cross industry-regulatory-academic DIA BSWG to ensure that Bayesian methods are appropriately utilized for design and analysis throughout the drug-development process.

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