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**Description** Statistical power analysis tools for designing individual or cluster randomized trials. Includes functions to calculate statistical power (1 - type II error), minimum detectable effect size (MDES), minimum required sample size (MRSS), functions to solve constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) problems, and to visualize duo or trio relationships between statistical power, MDES, MRSS, and COSA.

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| introduction | <i>Introduction to PowerUpR</i> |
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## Description

PowerUpR is an implementation of *PowerUp!* in R environment (R Core Team, 2016). *PowerUp!* is a statistical power analysis tool to calculate minimum detectable effect size (MDES) and top level minimum required sample size (MRSS) for various experimental and quasi-experimental designs including cluster randomized trials (Dong & Maynard, 2013). PowerUpR package, however, solely focuses on cluster randomized trials and adds several additional features. The package bases its framework on three fundamental concepts in statistical power analysis; MDES calculation, sample size calculation, and power calculation. Congruent with this framework, PowerUpR additionally provides tools to calculate statistical power, MRSS for any level, and to solve constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems. COSA problems can be solved in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i, ii or iii options. Congruent with the three fundamental concepts the package also provides tools for graphing two and three dimensional relationships to investigate relative standing of design parameter under investigation.

A design parameter (one of the MDES, MRSS, power, or COSA) can be requested by using appropriate function given design characteristics. Except for graphing functions, each function begins with an **output** name, following by a period, and a **design** name. There are four types of output; mdes, power, mrss, and optimal, and 14 types of design; ira1r1, bira2r1, bira2f1, bira2c1, cra2r2, bira3r1, bcra3r2, bcra3f2, cra3r3, bira4r1, bcra4r2, bcra4r3, bcra4f3, and cra4r4. The first three letters of the design stands for the type of assignment, for individual random assignment ira, for blocked individual random assignment bira, for cluster random assignment cra, and for blocked cluster random assignment bcra. It is followed by a number indicating number of levels. A single letter followed by a number indicates whether a block is considered to be r, random; f, fixed; or c, constant and the level at which random assignment takes place. So, to find MDES for 2-level cluster randomized blocked (random) design where random assignment is at level 1, function mdes.cra2r1 is used.

Each function requires slightly different arguments depending on the output it produces and the design. Most of the arguments have default values to provide users a starting point. For all functions default values are

- `mdes = .25`
- `power (1 -  $\beta$ ) = .80`
- `alpha ( $\alpha$ ) = .05`
- `two.tail = TRUE`
- `P = .50`

and depending on the design

- any of one of `g1, g2, g3, g4 = 0`
- any sequence of `R12, R22, R32, R42 = 0`
- any sequence of `RT22, RT32, RT42 = 0`

Users should be aware of default values and change them if necessary. Depending on the function minimum required arguments are

- any sequence of `rho2, rho3, rho4`
- any sequence of `omega2, omega3, omega4`
- any one of, any sequence of, or any combination of `n, J, K, L`

For definition of above-mentioned parameters see Dong & Maynard (2013) and Hedges & Rhoads (2009), or help files for individual functions. For reference intraclass correlation (`rho2, rho3`) values see Dong, Reinke, Herman, Bradshaw, and Murray (2016), Hedberg and Hedges (2014), Hedges and Hedberg (2007, 2013), Kelcey, and Phelps (2013), Schochet (2008), Spybrook, Westine, and Taylor (2016).

For reference variance (`R12, R22, R32`) values see Bloom, Richburg-Hayes, and Black (2007), Deke et al. (2010), Dong et al. (2016), Hedges and Hedberg (2013), Kelcey, and Phelps (2013), Spybrook, Westine, and Taylor (2016), Westine, Spybrook, and Taylor (2013). Users can also obtain design parameters for various levels using publicly available state or district data.

Click for the [vignettes](#) demonstrating how to use PowerUpR package.

Please email us any issues or suggestions.

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**Description**

mdes.bcra3f2 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (fixed blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bcra3f2(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0,
             n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| P        | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.         |
| g2       | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | level 3 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**See Also**

[power.bcra3f2](#), [mrss.bcra3f2](#), [optimal.bcra3f2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bcra3f2(rho2=.10, n=20,
             J=44, K=5)

## End(Not run)
```

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| mdes.bcra3r2 | <i>Model 4.2: MDES Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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**Description**

mdes.bcra3r2 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bcra3r2(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, omega3,
             P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0,
             n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| rho3   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega3 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P      | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.                                      |
| g3     | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22    | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| RT32   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| n      | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J      | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K      | level 3 sample size.  |
| ...    | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### See Also

[power.bcra3r2](#), [mrss.bcra3r2](#), [optimal.bcra3r2](#)



**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bcra3r2(rho3=.13, rho2=.10, omega3=.40,
             n=10, J=6, K=24)

## End(Not run)
```

mdes.bcra4f3

*Model 4.4: MDES Calculator for 4-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

**Description**

mdes.bcra4f3 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (fixed blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bcra4f3(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, g3=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                                |
| P        | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.         |
| g3       | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| L        | number of level 4 units.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**See Also**

[power.bcra4f3](#), [mrss.bcra4f3](#), [optimal.bcra4f3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bcra4f3(rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             n=10, J=4, K=4, L=15)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.bcra4r2

*Model 4.3: MDES Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Block Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2*

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**Description**

mdes.bcra4r2 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 4-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bcra4r2(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega3   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| omega4   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P        | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| RT32     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| RT42     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L        | number of level 4 units.  |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

**Details**

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**References**

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**See Also**

[power.bcra4r2](#), [mrss.bcra4r2](#), [optimal.bcra4r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bcra4r2(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50, omega3=.50,
             n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.bcra4r3

*Model 4.5: MDES Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

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**Description**

mdes.bcra4r3 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bcra4r3(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega4   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P        | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.  |
| RT42     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L        | number of level 4 units.  |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

**Details**

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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## See Also

[power.bcra4r3](#), [mrss.bcra4r3](#), [optimal.bcra4r3](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

mdes.bcra4r3(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50,
             n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.bira2c1

*Model 2.1: MDES Calculator for 2-Level Constant Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1*

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## Description

mdes.bira2c1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (school intercepts only).

## Usage

```
mdes.bira2c1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
             n, J, ...)
```

## Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.  |
| g1       | number of covariates at level 1.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| J   | level 2 sample size.   |
| ... | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[power.bira2c1](#), [mrss.bira2c1](#), [optimal.bira2c1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
mdes.bira2c1(n=55, J=3)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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 mdes.bira2f1

*Model 2.2: MDES Calculator for 2-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1*


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### Description

mdes.bira2f1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (fixed blocks).

### Usage

```
mdes.bira2f1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
             n, J, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.         |
| g1       | number of covariates at level 1.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | level 2 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |



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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[power.bira2f1](#), [mrss.bira2f1](#), [optimal.bira2f1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bira2f1(n=55, J=3)

## End(Not run)
```

---

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| mdes.bira2r1 | <i>Model 2.3: MDES Calculator for 2-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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**Description**

mdes.bira2r1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bira2r1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, omega2,
             P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, RT22=0,
             n, J, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| omega2 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| P      | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g2     | number of covariates at level 2.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| n      | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J      | level 2 sample size.  |
| ...    | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[power.bira2r1](#), [mrss.bira2r1](#), [optimal.bira2r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10,
            n=83, J=480)

## End(Not run)
```

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|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| mdes.bira3r1 | <i>Model 2.4: MDES Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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**Description**

mdes.bira3r1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 3-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mdes.bira3r1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            rho2, rho3, omega2, omega3,
            P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, g3=0,
            n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega2   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| omega3   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g3       | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |

|      |  |
|------|--|
| RT32 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.     |
| n    | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J    | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K    | level 3 sample size.   |
| ...  | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[power.bira3r1](#), [mrss.bira3r1](#), [optimal.bira3r1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

mdes.bira3r1(rho3=.20, rho2=.15, omega3=.10, omega2=.10,
             n=69, J=10, K=100)

## End(Not run)
```

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|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| mdes.bira4r1 | <i>Model 2.5: MDES Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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### Description

mdes.bira4r1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 4-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mdes.bira4r1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega2, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega2   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| omega3   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| omega4   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| RT32     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| RT42     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| n   | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J   | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K   | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| L   | number of level 4 units.   |
| ... | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### References

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### See Also

[power.bira4r1](#), [mrss.bira4r1](#), [optimal.bira4r1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

mdes.bira4r1(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50, omega3=.50, omega2=.50,
             n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.cra2r2                      *Model 3.1: MDES Calculator for 2-Level Cluster Random Assignment Design, Treatment at Level 2*

---

### Description

mdes.cra2r2 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 2-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
mdes.cra2r2(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            rho2,
            P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0,
            n, J, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| P        | proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g2       | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | level 2 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[power.cra2r2](#), [mrss.cra2r2](#), [optimal.cra2r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.cra2r2(rho2=.20,
            n=4, J=20)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.cra3r3

*Model 3.2: MDES Calculator for 3-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

---

**Description**

mdes.cra3r3 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 3-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

**Usage**

```
mdes.cra3r3(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            rho2, rho3, P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0,
            n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                         |



|     |  |
|-----|--|
| P   | proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g3  | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12 | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22 | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32 | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| n   | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J   | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K   | level 3 sample size.   |
| ... | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minimum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[power.cra3r3](#), [mrss.cra3r3](#), [optimal.cra3r3](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

mdes.cra3r3(rho3=.13, rho2=.10, omega3=.40,
            n=10, J=6, K=24)

## End(Not run)
```

mdes.cra4r4

*Model 3.3: MDES Calculator for 4-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 4*

### Description

mdes.cra4r4 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for designs with 4-levels where level 4 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
mdes.cra4r4(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            rho2, rho3, rho4,
            P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, R42=0, g4=0,
            n, J, K, L, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                                |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.                                |
| P        | proportion of level 4 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| R42      | proportion of level 4 variance in the outcome explained by level 4 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| L        | number of level 4 units.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[power.cra4r4](#), [mrss.cra4r4](#), [optimal.cra4r4](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.cra4r4(rho4=.05, rho3=.05, rho2=.10,
            n=10, J=2, K=3, L=20)

## End(Not run)
```

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mdes.ira1r1

*Model 1.0: MDES Calculator for Individual Random Assignment Designs, Completely Randomized Controlled Trials*

---

**Description**

mdes.ira1r1 calculates minimum detectable effect size (MDES) for completely randomized controlled trials where individuals are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

**Usage**

```
mdes.ira1r1(power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
            n, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| P        | proportion of units randomly assigned to treatment.  |
| g1       | number of covariates.  |
| R12      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by covariates.                                   |
| n        | sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

MDES formula and further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|      |   |
|------|---|
| fun  | function name.  |
| par  | list of parameters used in MDES calculation.  |
| df   | model degrees of freedom  |
| M    | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| mdes | minimum detectable effect size and 95% lower and upper confidence limits.                       |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[power.ira1r1](#), [mrss.ira1r1](#), [optimal.ira1r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mdes.ira1r1(n=55)

## End(Not run)
```

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 mrss.bcra3f2

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*Model 4.1: MRSS Calculator for 3-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2*


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### Description

mrss.bcra3f2 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (fixed blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bcra3f2(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, K0=10, J0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2,
             P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| K         | level 3 sample size.  |
| J0        | starting value for estimating number of level 2 units.                                    |
| K0        | starting value for estimating number of level 3 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| P         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.  |
| g2        | number of covariates at level 2.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.            |

**Details**

Level 2 and level 3 sample sizes (J and K) are calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on J and K. For other levels (n) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[mdes.bcra3f2](#), [power.bcra3f2](#), [optimal.bcra3f2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bcra3f2(rho3=.06, rho2=.17,
             n=15, J=3)

## End(Not run)
```

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|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| mrss.bcra3r2 | <i>Model 4.2: MRSS Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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### Description

mrss.bcra3r2 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bcra3r2(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, K0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3, omega3,
             P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K         | level 3 sample size.  |
| K0        | starting value for estimating number of level 3 units.  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.                                      |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| RT32      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |

**Details**

Level 3 sample size (K) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on K. For other levels (n and J) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[mdes.bcra3r2](#), [power.bcra3r2](#), [optimal.bcra3r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bcra3r2(rho3=.13, rho2=.10, omega3=.40,
             n=10, J=6)

## End(Not run)
```



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 mrss.bcra4f3

*Model 4.4: MRSS Calculator for 4-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*


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### Description

mrss.bcra4f3 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (fixed blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bcra4f3(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL, L0=10, K0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3,
             P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| L         | number of level 4 units.  |
| K0        | starting value for estimating number of level 3 units.                                    |
| L0        | starting value for estimating number of level 4 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                         |
| P         | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.  |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.            |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.            |

**Details**

Level 3 and level 4 sample sizes (K and L) are calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on K and L. For other levels (n and J) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[mdes.bcra4f3](#), [power.bcra4f3](#), [optimal.bcra4f3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bcra4f3(rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             n=10, J=4, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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 mrss.bcra4r2

*Model 4.3: MRSS Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Block Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2*


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### Description

mrss.bcra4r2 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 4-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bcra4r2(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL, L0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L         | number of level 4 units.  |
| L0        | starting value for estimating number of level 4 units.  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| omega4    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |

|      |  |
|------|--|
| P    | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.     |
| g4   | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12  | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.               |
| R22  | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.               |
| RT32 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates. |
| RT42 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates. |

### Details

Level 4 sample size (L) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on L. For other levels (n, J and K) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[mdes.bcra4r2](#), [power.bcra4r2](#), [optimal.bcra4r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bcra4r2(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50, omega3=.50, omega2=.50,
             n=10, J=2, K=10)

## End(Not run)
```

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| mrss.bcra4r3 | <i>Model 4.5: MRSS Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3</i> |
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**Description**

mrss.bcra4r3 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
mrss.bcra4r3(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL, L0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, RT42=0, g4=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| L         | number of level 4 units.  |
| L0        | starting value for estimating number of level 4 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| rho2   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega4 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P      | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.                                      |
| g4     | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22    | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| R32    | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.  |
| RT42   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |

### Details

Level 4 sample size (L) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on L. For other levels (n, J and K) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[mdes.bcra4r3](#), [power.bcra4r3](#), [optimal.bcra4r3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bcra4r3(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50,
             n=10, J=2, K=10)

## End(Not run)
```

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```
mrss.bira2c1      Model 2.1: MRSS Calculator for 2-Level Constant Effects Blocked
                   Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1
```

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**Description**

mrss.bira2c1 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (school intercepts only).

**Usage**

```
mrss.bira2c1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, J0=10, n0=10, tol=.10,
             P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | level 2 sample size.  |
| n0        | starting value for estimating number of level 1 units.                                    |
| J0        | starting value for estimating number of level 2 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.  |
| g1        | number of covariates at level 1.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |

## Details

Level 2 and level 1 sample sizes (J and n) are calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on J and n. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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## References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies,*Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

## See Also

[mdes.bira2c1](#), [power.bira2c1](#), [optimal.bira2c1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
mrss.bira2c1(n=83)  
  
## End(Not run)
```



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|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| mrss.bira2f1 | <i>Model 2.2: MRSS Calculator for 2-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1</i> |
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### Description

mrss.bira2f1 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (fixed blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bira2f1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, J0=10, n0=10, tol=.10,
             P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | level 2 sample size.  |
| n0        | starting value for estimating number of level 1 units.                                    |
| J0        | starting value for estimating number of level 2 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.  |
| g1        | number of covariates at level 1.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |

## Details

Level 2 and level 1 sample sizes (J and n) are calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on J and n. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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## References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies,*Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

## See Also

[mdes.bira2f1](#), [power.bira2f1](#), [optimal.bira2f1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
    mrss.ira2f1(n=83)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| mrss.bira2r1 | <i>Model 2.3: MRSS Calculator for 2-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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---

### Description

mrss.bira2r1 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bira2r1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, J0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, omega2,
             g2=0, P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J         | level 2 sample size.  |
| J0        | starting value for estimating number of level 2 units.  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g2        | number of covariates at level 2.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |

## Details

Level 2 sample size (J) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on J. For other level (n) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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## References

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## See Also

[mdes.bira2r1](#), [power.bira2r1](#), [optimal.bira2r1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

mrss.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10,
            n=83)

## End(Not run)
```

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|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| mrss.bira3r1 | <i>Model 2.4: MRSS Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
|--------------|--|

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### Description

mrss.bira3r1 calculates minimum required sample size for designs with 3-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bira3r1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, K0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3, omega2, omega3,
             P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, g3=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K         | level 3 sample size.  |
| K0        | starting value for estimating number of level 3 units.  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.  |

|      |  |
|------|--|
| R12  | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.               |
| RT22 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates. |
| RT32 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates. |

### Details

Level 3 sample size (K) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on K. For other levels (n, and J) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[mdes.bira3r1](#), [power.bira3r1](#), [optimal.bira3r1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

mrss.bira3r1(rho3=.20, rho2=.15, omega3=.10, omega2=.10,
n=69, J=10)

## End(Not run)
```

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| mrss.bira4r1 | <i>Model 2.5: MRSS Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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### Description

mrss.bira4r1 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 4-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
mrss.bira4r1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
             n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL, L0=10, tol=.10,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega2, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L         | number of level 4 units.  |
| L0        | starting value for estimating number of level 4 units.  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| omega4 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P      | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g4     | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| RT32   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| RT42   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |

### Details

Level 4 sample size (L) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on L. For other levels (n, J and K) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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### References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

### See Also

[mdes.bira4r1](#), [power.bira4r1](#), [optimal.bira4r1](#)



**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.bira4r1(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
             omega4=.50, omega3=.50, omega2=.50,
             n=10, J=2, K=10)

## End(Not run)
```

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|-------------|--|
| mrss.cra2r2 | <i>Model 3.1: MRSS Calculator for 2-Level Cluster Random Assignment Design, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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**Description**

mrss.cra2r2 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 2-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

**Usage**

```
mrss.cra2r2(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
            n=NULL, J=NULL, J0=10, tol=.10,
            rho2,
            g2=0, P=.50, R12=0, R22=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | level 2 sample size.  |
| J0        | starting value for estimating number of level 2 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| P         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment.                       |
| g2        | number of covariates at level 2.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.            |

## Details

Level 2 sample size (J) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on J. For other level (n) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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## References

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

## See Also

[mdes.cra2r2](#), [power.cra2r2](#), [optimal.cra2r2](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
  
    mrss.cra2r2(rho2=.35,  
              n=83)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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 mrss.cra3r3

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*Model 3.2: MRSS Calculator for 3-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*


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### Description

mrss.cra3r3 calculates minimum required sample size for designs with 3-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
mrss.cra3r3(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
            n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, K0=10, tol=.10,
            rho2, rho3,
            P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| K         | level 3 sample size.  |
| K0        | starting value for estimating number of level 3 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                         |
| P         | proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment.                               |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.            |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.            |

**Details**

Level 3 sample size (K) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on K. For other levels (n, and J) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**See Also**

[mdes.cra3r3](#), [power.cra3r3](#), [optimal.cra3r3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.cra3r3(rho3=.06, rho2=.17,
            n=15, J=3)

## End(Not run)
```

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 mrss.cra4r4

*Model 3.3: MRSS Calculator for 4-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 4*


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### Description

mrss.cra4r4 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for designs with 4-levels where level 4 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
mrss.cra4r4(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            gm=2, ncase=10, constrain="power",
            n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL, L0=10, tol=.10,
            rho2, rho3, rho4,
            P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, R42=0, g4=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.               |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                  |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                  |
| L         | number of level 4 units.  |
| L0        | starting value for estimating number of level 4 units.                                    |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                         |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.                         |
| P         | proportion of level 4 units randomly assigned to treatment.                               |
| g4        | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.            |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.            |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.            |
| R42       | proportion of level 4 variance in the outcome explained by level 4 covariates.            |

**Details**

Level 4 sample size (L) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on L. For other levels (n, J and K) MRSS calculation is simply solving for the unknown. MRSS calculator returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce MDES and power values different from what was specified, therefore an integer solution is approximated using brute force (See Value section). Integer solution to MRSS for an omitted level assumes that specified sample sizes for remaining levels may subject to some changes.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[mdes.cra4r4](#), [power.cra4r4](#), [optimal.cra4r4](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

mrss.cra4r4(rho4=.05, rho3=.05, rho2=.10,
            n=10, J=2, K=3)

## End(Not run)
```

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 mrss.ira1r1

*Model 1.0: MRSS Calculator for Individual Random Assignment Designs, Completely Randomized Controlled Trials*


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### Description

mrss.ira1r1 calculates minimum required sample size (MRSS) for completely randomized controlled trials where individuals are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
mrss.ira1r1(mdes=.25, power=.80, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
            gm=10, ncase=10, constrain="power", n=NULL, n0=10, tol=.10,
            P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search.                              |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| constrain | parameter to constrain; "cost", "power", or "mdes".                                       |
| n         | included for consistency, it should remain NULL.  |
| n0        | starting value for n  |
| tol       | tolerance to stop the search algorithm.   |
| P         | proportion of units randomly assigned to treatment.                                       |
| g1        | number of covariates.   |
| R12       | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by covariates.                            |

### Details

Sample size n) is calculated using an iterative procedure described in Dong & Maynard (2013) due to model degrees of freedom dependency on n.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| fun          | function name.                                     |
| par          | list of parameters used in MRSS calculation.       |
| round.mrss   | solution after rounding.                           |
| integer.mrss | best integer solutions around round.mrss solution. |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

**See Also**

[mdes.ira1r1](#), [power.ira1r1](#), [optimal.ira1r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
  mrss.ira1r1(n=83)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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mrss.to.mdes

*MRSS to MDES*

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**Description**

mrss.to.mdes converts an object returned from mrss function into an object returned from mdes function.

**Usage**

```
mrss.to.mdes(design)
```

**Arguments**

design            an object returned from one of the mrss functions.

**Details**

mrss.to.mdes converts an object returned from mrss function into an object returned from mdes function by passing parameters through mdes function.

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**See Also**

[mrss.to.power](#), [optimal.to.mdes](#), [optimal.to.power](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
# object returned from mrss function  
design1 <- mrss.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10, n=83)  
# convert the object into an object returned from mdes function  
design2 <- mrss.to.mdes(design1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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|---------------|----------------------|
| mrss.to.power | <i>MRSS to Power</i> |
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**Description**

mrss.to.power converts an object returned from mrss function into an object returned from power function.

**Usage**

```
mrss.to.power(design)
```

**Arguments**

design            an object returned from one of the mrss functions.

**Details**

mrss.to.power converts an object returned from mrss function into an object returned from power function by passing parameters through power function.

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**See Also**

[mrss.to.mdes](#), [optimal.to.mdes](#), [optimal.to.power](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# object returned from mrss function
design1 <- mrss.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10, n=83)
# convert the object into an object returned from power function
design2 <- mrss.to.power(design1)

## End(Not run)
```

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|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| optimal.bcra3f2 | <i>Model 4.1: COSA Solver for 3-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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**Description**

optimal.bcra3f2 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (fixed blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.bcra3f2(cn, cJ, cK, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJK0=c(10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho2,
               P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0)
```

**Arguments**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| cn    | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ    | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK    | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cost  | total cost or budget.  |
| n     | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average). |
| J     | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average). |
| K     | level 3 sample size.   |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).                                   |
| mdes  | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha | probability of type I error.   |

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>two.tail</code>  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| <code>nJK0</code>      | vector with a length of three to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, and level 3 sample sizes.   |
| <code>ncase</code>     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| <code>gm</code>        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| <code>constrain</code> | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| <code>optimizer</code> | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| <code>rho2</code>      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| <code>P</code>         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.   |
| <code>g2</code>        | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| <code>R12</code>       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| <code>R22</code>       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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**See Also**

[mdes.bcra3f2](#), [power.bcra3f2](#), [mrss.bcra3f2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

    optimal.bcra3f2(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cost=5600,
                   constrain="cost",
                   rho2=.10)

## End(Not run)
```

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| optimal.bcra3r2 | <i>Model 4.2: COSA Solver for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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**Description**

optimal.bcra3r2 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.bcra3r2(cn, cJ, cK, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJK0=c(10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho2, rho3, omega3,
               P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0)
```

**Arguments**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| cn    | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ    | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK    | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cost  | total cost or budget.  |
| n     | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average). |
| J     | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average). |
| K     | level 3 sample size.   |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).                                   |
| mdes  | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha | probability of type I error.   |

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>two.tail</code>  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| <code>nJK0</code>      | vector with a length of three to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, and level 3 sample sizes.   |
| <code>ncase</code>     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| <code>gm</code>        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| <code>constrain</code> | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| <code>optimizer</code> | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| <code>rho2</code>      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| <code>rho3</code>      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| <code>omega3</code>    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3.                                    |
| <code>P</code>         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.   |
| <code>g3</code>        | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| <code>R12</code>       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| <code>R22</code>       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| <code>RT32</code>      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>fun</code>    | function name.                              |
| <code>par</code>    | list of parameters used in the function.    |
| <code>nloptr</code> | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output. |

- round.optim solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).
- integer.optim best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).

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**See Also**

[mdes.bcra3r2](#), [power.bcra3r2](#), [mrss.bcra3r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

    optimal.bcra3r2(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cost=5600,
                  constrain="cost",
                  rho3=.13, rho2=.10, omega3=.40)

## End(Not run)
```

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|-----------------|---|
| optimal.bcra4f3 | <i>Model 4.4: COSA Solver for 4-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3</i> |
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**Description**

optimal.bcra4f3 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (fixed blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.bcra4f3(cn, cJ, cK, cL, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJKL=c(10,10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyala",
               rho3, rho2,
               P=.50, g3=0, R32=0, R22=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|      |  |
|------|--|
| cn   | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ   | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK   | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cL   | marginal cost per level 4 unit.  |
| cost | total cost or budget.  |
| n    | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average). |
| J    | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average). |



|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| L         | number of level 4 units.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJKL0     | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, level 3, and level 4 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| P         | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.   |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.bcra4f3](#), [power.bcra4f3](#), [mrss.bcra4f3](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

  optimal.bcra4f3(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cL=1000, cost=75600,
                 constrain="cost",
                 rho3=.15, rho2=.20)

## End(Not run)
```

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| optimal.bcra4r2 | <i>Model 4.3: COSA Solver for 4-Level Random Effects Block Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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### Description

optimal.bcra4r2 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 4-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.bcra4r2(cn, cJ, cK, cL, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJKL=c(10,10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyala",
               rho4, rho3, rho2, omega4, omega3,
               P=.50, g4=0, RT42=0, RT32=0, R22=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK        | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cL        | marginal cost per level 4 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| L         | number of level 4 units.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJKL0     | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, level 3, and level 4 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.  |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3.                                    |
| omega4    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4.                                    |
| P         | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.   |
| g4        | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| RT32      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.   |
| RT42      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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## See Also

[mdes.bcra4r2](#), [power.bcra4r2](#), [mrss.bcra4r2](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

  optimal.bcra4r2(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cL=1000, cost=75600,
                 constrain="cost",
                 rho4=.10, rho3=.15, rho2=.20,
                 omega4=.50, omega3=.50)

## End(Not run)
```

**Description**

optimal.bcra4r3 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.bcra4r3(cn, cJ, cK, cL, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJKL0=c(10,10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho4, rho3, rho2, omega4,
               P=.50, g4=0, RT42=0, R32=0, R22=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK        | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cL        | marginal cost per level 4 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| L         | number of level 4 units.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJKL0     | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, level 3, and level 4 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| rho3   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega4 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P      | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.                                      |
| g4     | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22    | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| R32    | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.  |
| RT42   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |

### Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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## See Also

[mdes.bcra4r3](#), [power.bcra4r3](#), [mrss.bcra4r3](#)

## Examples

## Not run:

```
optimal.bcra4r3(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cL=1000, cost=75600,
               constrain="cost",
```

```
rho4=.10, rho3=.15, rho2=.20,
omega4=.50)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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```
optimal.bira2c1
```

*Model 2.1: COSA Solver for 2-Level Constant Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1*

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### Description

optimal.bira2c1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (school intercepts only). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.bira2c1(cn, cJ, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJ0=c(10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| cn       | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ       | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cost     | total cost or budget.  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                     |
| J        | level 2 sample size.   |
| power    | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.    |
| nJ0      | vector with a length of two to specify starting values for level 1 and level 2 sample sizes. |
| ncase    | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm       | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.                  |

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.   |
| g1        | number of covariates at level 1.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |

### Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.bira2c1](#), [power.bira2c1](#), [mrss.bira2c1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

    optimal.bira2c1(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
                  constrain="cost")

## End(Not run)
```

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|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| optimal.bira2f1 | <i>Model 2.2: COSA Solver for 2-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1</i> |
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### Description

optimal.bira2f1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (fixed blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.bira2f1(cn, cJ, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJ0=c(10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_coby1a",
               P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | level 2 sample size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJ0       | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1 and level 2 sample sizes.  |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_coby1a", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.   |
| g1        | number of covariates at level 1.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

## Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.bira2f1](#), [power.bira2f1](#), [mrss.bira2f1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
  optimal.bira2f1(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
                 constrain="cost")

## End(Not run)
```

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optimal.bira2r1

*Model 2.3: COSA Solver for 2-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Individuals Randomized within Blocks*

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## Description

optimal.bira2r1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

## Usage

```
optimal.bira2r1(cn, cJ, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJ0=c(10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho2, omega2,
               P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, RT22=0)
```

## Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | level 2 sample size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJ0       | vector with a length of two to specify starting values for level 1 and level 2 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2.                                    |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.   |
| g2        | number of covariates at level 2.   |



|      |  |
|------|--|
| R12  | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.               |
| RT22 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates. |

### Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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## See Also

[mdes.bira2r1](#), [power.bira2r1](#), [mrss.bira2r1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

optimal.bira2r1(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
               constrain="cost", rho2=.20, omega2=.50)

## End(Not run)
```

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|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| optimal.bira3r1 | <i>Model 2.4: COSA Solver for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
|-----------------|--|

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### Description

optimal.bira3r1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 3-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.bira3r1(cn, cJ, cK, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJK0=c(10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho2, rho3, omega2, omega3,
               P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0)
```

### Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK        | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                                 |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                                 |
| K         | level 3 sample size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                |
| nJK0      | vector with a length of three to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, and level 3 sample sizes. |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.                              |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".       |

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2.                                    |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3.                                    |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.   |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| RT22      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| RT32      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.   |

### Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>fun</code>           | function name.   |
| <code>par</code>           | list of parameters used in the function.   |
| <code>nloptr</code>        | list of <code>nloptr</code> log and output.  |
| <code>round.optim</code>   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).   |
| <code>integer.optim</code> | best integer solutions around <code>round.optim</code> solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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**See Also**

[mdes.bira3r1](#), [power.bira3r1](#), [mrss.bira3r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

optimal.bira3r1(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cost=5600,
               constrain="cost",
               rho3=.20, rho2=.15, omega3=.10, omega2=.10)

## End(Not run)
```

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| optimal.bira4r1 | <i>Model 2.5: COSA Solver for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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**Description**

optimal.bira4r1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 4-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks). COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.bira4r1(cn, cJ, cK, cL, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL,
               power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
               nJKL=c(10,10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
               constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
               rho4, rho3, rho2, omega4, omega3, omega2,
               P=.50, g4=0, RT42=0, RT32=0, RT22=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| cn    | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ    | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK    | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cL    | marginal cost per level 4 unit.  |
| cost  | total cost or budget.  |
| n     | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average). |
| J     | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average). |
| K     | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average). |
| L     | number of level 4 units.   |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).                                   |

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| mde       | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJKL0     | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, level 3, and level 4 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mde".  |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.  |
| omega2    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2.                                    |
| omega3    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3.                                    |
| omega4    | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4.                                    |
| P         | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.   |
| g4        | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| RT22      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| RT32      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.   |
| RT42      | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.   |

## Details

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

nloptr returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (gm) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing ncase.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.bira4r1](#), [power.bira4r1](#), [mrss.bira4r1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

  optimal.bira4r1(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cL=1000, cost=75600,
                 constrain="cost",
                 rho4=.10, rho3=.15, rho2=.20,
                 omega4=.50, omega3=.50, omega2=.50)

## End(Not run)
```

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| optimal.cra2r2 | <i>Model 3.1: COSA Solver for 2-Level Cluster Random Assignment Design, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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### Description

optimal.cra2r2 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 2-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups. COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.cra2r2(cn, cJ, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL,
              power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              nJ0=c(10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
              constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyala",
              rho2,
              P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | level 2 sample size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJ0       | vector with a length of two to specify starting values for level 1 and level 2 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| P         | proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment.  |
| g2        | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |

**Details**

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

`nloptr` returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (`gm`) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing `ncase`.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.cra2r2](#), [power.cra2r2](#), [mrss.cra2r2](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

  optimal.cra2r2(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
               constrain="cost", rho2=.20)

## End(Not run)
```

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optimal.cra3r3

*Model 3.2: COSA Solver for 3-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

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### Description

optimal.cra3r3 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 3-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups. COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.cra3r3(cn, cJ, cK, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL,
              power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              nJK0=c(10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
              constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyala",
              rho2, rho3,
              P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK        | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| K         | level 3 sample size.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJK0      | vector with a length of three to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, and level 3 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| P         | proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment.  |
| g3        | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.   |

**Details**

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martinez, 2008; Conn, Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLOpt website](#) for a brief summary.

nloptr returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (gm) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing ncase.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.cra3r3](#), [power.cra3r3](#), [mrss.cra3r3](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

  optimal.cra3r3(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cost=5600,
               constrain="cost",
               rho3=.06, rho2=.17)

## End(Not run)
```

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optimal.cra4r4

*Model 3.3: COSA Solver for 4-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 4*

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### Description

optimal.cra4r4 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for designs with 4-levels where level 4 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups. COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

### Usage

```
optimal.cra4r4(cn, cJ, cK, cL, cost=NULL, n=NULL, J=NULL, K=NULL, L=NULL,
              power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              nJKL=c(10,10,10,10), ncase=10, gm=2,
              constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyala",
              rho4, rho3, rho2,
              P=.50, g4=0, R42=0, R32=0, R22=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| cn        | marginal cost per level 1 unit.  |
| cJ        | marginal cost per level 2 unit.  |
| cK        | marginal cost per level 3 unit.  |
| cL        | marginal cost per level 4 unit.  |
| cost      | total cost or budget.  |
| n         | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).   |
| J         | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| K         | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).   |
| L         | number of level 4 units.   |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).   |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.  |
| nJKL0     | vector with a length of four to specify starting values for level 1, level 2, level 3, and level 4 sample sizes.   |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.   |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search for each level.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".   |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample sizes given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| rho2      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.  |
| rho3      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.  |
| rho4      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.  |
| P         | proportion of level 4 units randomly assigned to treatment.  |
| g4        | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12       | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.   |
| R22       | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.   |
| R32       | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.   |
| R42       | proportion of level 4 variance in the outcome explained by level 4 covariates.   |

**Details**

Constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA; Hedges & Borenstein, 2014; Raudenbush, 1997; Raudenbush & Liu, 2000) problems are solved using `nloptr` (Ypma, 2014) package, an implementation of NLOpt (Johnson, n.d.) in R (R Core Team, 2016). More specifically, Augmented Lagrangian method is used for global optimization (AUGLAG, Birgin & Martines, 2008; Conn,



Gould, & Toint, 1991) in conjunction with one of the following local optimization algorithms: Constrained Optimization by Linear Approximations (COBYLA, Powell, 1994), Low Storage BFGS (LBFGS, Liu & Nocedal, 1989), Method of Moving Asymptotes (MMA, Svanberg, 2002), or Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP, Kraft, 1988). See [NLopt website](#) for a brief summary.

nloptr returns values that are not integer. Rounding may produce cost, power or MDES values different from what was specified. A better solution is approximated using brute force. If the constrained value (cost, power or MDES) in the output deviates from what was specified, increasing grid multiplier (gm) often solves the problem. More cases can be printed by increasing ncase.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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### See Also

[mdes.cra4r4](#), [power.cra4r4](#), [mrss.cra4r4](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

optimal.cra4r4(cn=1, cJ=10, cK=100, cL=1000, cost=75600,
              constrain="cost",
              rho4=.05, rho3=.05, rho2=.10)

## End(Not run)
```

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|----------------|---|
| optimal.ira1r1 | <i>Model 1.0: COSA Solver for Individual Random Assignment Designs, Completely Randomized Controlled Trials</i> |
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### Description

optimal.ira1r1 finds constrained optimal sample allocation (COSA) solutions for completely randomized controlled trials where individuals are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups. COSA can be found in the following forms, (i) under budgetary constraints given marginal costs per unit, (ii) under power constraints given marginal costs per unit, (iii) under MDES constraints given marginal costs per unit, and (iv) under sample size constraints for one or more levels along with any of the i,ii, or iii options.

**Usage**

```
optimal.ira1r1(cn, cost=NULL, n=NULL,
              power=.80, mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              N0=c(10), ncase=10, gm=10,
              constrain="cost", optimizer="auglag_cobyla",
              P=.50, g1=0, R12=0)
```

**Arguments**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| cn        | marginal cost per unit.   |
| cost      | total cost or budget.   |
| n         | included for consistency, it should remain NULL.  |
| power     | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |
| mdes      | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha     | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail  | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.   |
| N0        | starting values for n.  |
| ncase     | number of cases to show in the output.  |
| gm        | grid multiplier to increase the range of sample size search.  |
| constrain | one of the followings can be constrained at a specified cost or value: "cost", "power", or "mdes".  |
| optimizer | algorithm to find optimal sample size given total cost, power, or MDES. Available algorithms: "auglag_cobyla", "auglag_lbfgs", "auglag_mma", or "auglag_slsqp". |
| P         | proportion of units randomly assigned to treatment.   |
| g1        | number of covariates.   |
| R12       | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by covariates.  |

**Details**

An optimization is not necessary because the relationship between constraints and optimal sample size is straight forward multiplication or division. Therefore use of this function is not recommended. Nonetheless, this function is provided for consistency and convenience.

Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| fun           | function name.  |
| par           | list of parameters used in the function.  |
| nloptr        | list of nloptr log and output.  |
| round.optim   | solution after rounding. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25).                            |
| integer.optim | best integer solutions around round.optim solution. MDES is calculated at the specified power (default .80), and power is calculated at the specified MDES (default .25). |

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**See Also**

[mdes.ira1r1](#), [power.ira1r1](#), [mrss.ira1r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
  optimal.ira1r1(cn=1, cost=560,  
                constrain="cost")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| optimal.to.mdes | <i>Optimal to MDES</i> |
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**Description**

optimal.to.mdes converts an object returned from optimal function into an object returned from mdes function.

**Usage**

```
optimal.to.mdes(design)
```

**Arguments**

design            an object returned from one of the optimal functions.

**Details**

optimal.to.mdes converts an object returned from optimal function into an object returned from mdes function by passing parameters through mdes function.

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**See Also**

[optimal.to.power](#), [mrss.to.mdes](#), [mrss.to.power](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# object returned from optimal function
design1 <- optimal.bira2r1(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
                        constrain="cost", rho2=.20, omega2=.50)
# convert the object into an object returned from mdes function
design2 <- optimal.to.mdes(design1)

## End(Not run)
```

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|                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| optimal.to.power | <i>Optimal to Power</i> |
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**Description**

`optimal.to.power` converts an object returned from `optimal` function into an object returned from `power` function.

**Usage**

```
optimal.to.power(design)
```

**Arguments**

`design` an object returned from one of the optimal functions.

**Details**

`optimal.to.power` converts an object returned from `optimal` function into an object returned from `power` function by passing parameters through `power` function.

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**See Also**

[optimal.to.mdes](#), [mrss.to.power](#), [mrss.to.power](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# object returned from optimal function
design1 <- optimal.bira2r1(cn=1, cJ=10, cost=560,
                        constrain="cost", rho2=.20, omega2=.50)
# convert the object into an object returned from power function
design2 <- optimal.to.power(design1)

## End(Not run)
```

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|-----------|--|
| plot.pars | <i>Plots Duo or Trio Relationships between Statistical Power, MDES, MRSS, and COSA</i> |
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**Description**

plot produces two or three dimensional plots (including contour plots) that delineate relationships between statistical power, MDES, MRSS and COSA for objects returned from one of the PowerUpR functions.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pars'
plot(x, pars=c("power", "mdes", NA), type="p",
     left.right.angle=30, up.down.angle=30, nlevels=10,
     mdes.seq=NULL, power.seq=NULL, mrss.seq=NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| x                | an object returned from one of the PowerUpR functions.  |
| pars             | character vector; valid values are "mdes", "power", and depending on the design, any one of the "n", "J", "K", or "L". Default vector c("power", "mdes", NA) produces a three dimensional plot where NA is replaced by top level sample size. To override the default user should replace NA with any one of the "n", "J", "K", or "L". Including only two parameters produces two dimensional plot. One of the parameters must be either "mdes", or "power". |
| type             | character value; "p" for plot, "c" for contour.   |
| left.right.angle | numeric value; rotates 3D graph from left to right.   |
| up.down.angle    | numeric value; rotates 3D graph from up to down.  |
| nlevels          | number of contour levels.   |
| mdes.seq         | sequence for MDES.  |
| power.seq        | sequence for power.   |
| mrss.seq         | sequence for MRSS.  |
| ...              | other graphical parameters.   |

**Details**

plot.pars produces plots for MDES, power, MRSS, and COSA using objects returned from PowerUpR functions. User can plot 2D, 3D or contour plots by specifying pars and type arguments. By default object returned from mdes functions produces plots where MDES is on top axis (either y or z), similarly, object returned from power functions produces plots where power is on top axis (either y or z). However user can switch between mdes and power functions to obtain an alternative plot. For objects returned from mrss or optimal functions by default MDES is on top axis (either y or z). User can change this by specifying pars arguments where its first argument matches with parameter to be plotted on top axis (either y or z).

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**See Also**

[t1t2.error](#), [contour](#), [persp](#), [plot](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

design1 <- mdes.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10,
                      n=83, J=480)
# MDES against power & J (3D plot)
plot(design1)
# MDES against power & J (contour plot)
plot(design1, type="c")
# MDES against J (2D plot)
plot(design1, pars=c("mdes", "J"))

## End(Not run)
```

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power.bcra3f2

*Model 4.1: Statistical Power Calculator for 3-Level Fixed Effects  
Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Design, Treatment at Level 2*

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**Description**

power.bcra3f2 calculates statistical power for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (fixed blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bcra3f2(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              rho2,
              P=.50, g2=0, R12=0, R22=0,
              n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| P        | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.         |
| g2       | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | level 3 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**See Also**

[mdes.bcra3f2](#), [mrss.bcra3f2](#), [optimal.bcra3f2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.bcra3f2(rho2=.10,
              n=20, J=44, K=5)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| power.bcra3r2 | <i>Model 4.2: Statistical Power Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2</i> |
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**Description**

power.bcra3r2 calculates statistical power for designs with 3-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bcra3r2(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              rho2, rho3, omega3,
              P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0,
              n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega3   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P        | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.                                      |
| g3       | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |

|      |  |
|------|--|
| RT32 | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.     |
| n    | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J    | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K    | level 3 sample size.   |
| ...  | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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### References

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### See Also

[mdes.bcra3r2](#), [mrss.bcra3r2](#), [optimal.bcra3r2](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

power.bcra3r2(rho3=.13, rho2=.10, omega3=.40,
              n=10, J=6, K=24)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.bcra4f3                      *Model 4.4: Statistical Power Calculator for 4-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

---

### Description

power.bcra4f3 calculates statistical power for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (fixed blocks).

### Usage

```
power.bcra4f3(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              rho2, rho3,
              P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, g3=0,
              n, J, K, L, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                                |
| P        | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.         |
| g3       | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| L        | number of level 4 units.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**References**

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**See Also**

[mdes.bcra4f3](#), [mrss.bcra4f3](#), [optimal.bcra4f3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.bcra4f3(rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
              n=10, J=4, K=4, L=15)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.bcra4r2

*Model 4.3: Statistical Power Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Block Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 2*

---

**Description**

power.bcra4r2 calculates statistical power for designs with 4-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 3 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bcra4r2(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega3   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| omega4   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P        | average proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 3 units.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| RT32     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| RT42     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L        | number of level 4 units.  |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013) and Hedges & Rhoads (2009).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**See Also**

[mdes.bcra4r2](#), [mrss.bcra4r2](#), [optimal.bcra4r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.bcra4r2(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
              omega4=.50, omega3=.50,
              n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.bcra4r3

*Model 4.5: Statistical Power Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

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**Description**

power.bcra4r3 calculates statistical power for designs with 4-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 4 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bcra4r3(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega4   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P        | average proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 4 units.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.  |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.  |
| RT42     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L        | number of level 4 units.  |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013) and Hedges & Rhoads (2009).

**Value**

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| fun | function name.                                |
| par | list of parameters used in power calculation. |
| df  | model degrees of freedom                      |

M multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (1-power).  
 power statistical power (1 - type II error).

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### References

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### See Also

[mdes.bcra4r3](#), [mrss.bcra4r3](#), [optimal.bcra4r3](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

power.bcra4r3(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
              omega4=.50,
              n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| power.bira2c1 | <i>Model 2.1: Statistical Power Calculator for 2-Level Constant Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1</i> |
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### Description

power.bira2c1 calculates statistical power for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (school intercepts only).

### Usage

```
power.bira2c1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
              n, J, ...)
```



**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.         |
| g1       | number of covariates at level 1.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | level 2 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**References**

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**See Also**

[mdes.bira2c1](#), [mrss.bira2c1](#), [optimal.bira2c1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.bira2c1(n=55, J=3)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| power.bira2f1 | <i>Model 2.2: Statistical Power Calculator for 2-Level Fixed Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 1</i> |
|---------------|---|

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**Description**

power.bira2f1 calculates statistical power for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (fixed blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bira2f1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
              n, J, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.         |
| g1       | number of covariates at level 1.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | level 2 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**See Also**

[mdes.bira2f1](#), [mrss.bira2f1](#), [optimal.bira2f1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.bira2f1(n=55, J=3)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| power.bira2r1 | <i>Model 2.3: Statistical Power Calculator for 2-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Designs, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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**Description**

power.bira2r1 calculates statistical power for designs with 2-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

**Usage**

```
power.bira2r1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
              rho2, omega2,
              g2=0, P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0,
              n, J, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| omega2   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| P        | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g2       | number of covariates at level 2.  |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22     | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J        | level 2 sample size.  |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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## References

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## See Also

[mdes.bira2r1](#), [mrss.bira2r1](#), [optimal.bira2r1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

power.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10,
             n=83, J=480)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| power.bira3r1 | <i>Model 2.4: Statistical Power Calculator for 3-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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## Description

power.bira3r1 calculates statistical power for designs with 3-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

## Usage

```
power.bira3r1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, omega2, omega3,
             P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, g3=0,
             n, J, K, ...)
```

## Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| rho2   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3   | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| omega2 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |
| omega3 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| P      | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g3     | number of covariates at level 3.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| RT32   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| n      | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J      | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K      | level 3 sample size.  |
| ...    | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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### See Also

[mdes.bira3r1](#), [mrss.bira3r1](#), [optimal.bira3r1](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:

power.bira3r1(rho3=.20, rho2=.15, omega3=.10, omega2=.10,
             n=69, J=10, K=100)

## End(Not run)
```

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|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| power.bira4r1 | <i>Model 2.5: Statistical Power Calculator for 4-Level Random Effects Blocked Individual Random Assignment Design, Individuals Randomized within Blocks</i> |
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### Description

power.bira4r1 calculates statistical power for designs with 4-levels where level 1 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups within level 2 units (random blocks).

### Usage

```
power.bira4r1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4, omega2, omega3, omega4,
             P=.50, R12=0, RT22=0, RT32=0, RT42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.                                     |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.   |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.   |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.   |
| omega2   | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 2 units to the residual variance at level 2. |

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| omega3 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 3 units to the residual variance at level 3. |
| omega4 | treatment effect heterogeneity as ratio of treatment effect variance among level 4 units to the residual variance at level 4. |
| P      | average proportion of level 1 units randomly assigned to treatment within level 2 units.                                      |
| g4     | number of covariates at level 4.  |
| R12    | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.  |
| RT22   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 2 units explained by level 2 covariates.                                  |
| RT32   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 3 units explained by level 3 covariates.                                  |
| RT42   | proportion of treatment effect variance among level 4 units explained by level 4 covariates.                                  |
| n      | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).  |
| J      | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| K      | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).  |
| L      | number of level 4 units.  |
| ...    | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters.                              |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013) and Hedges & Rhoads (2009).

### Value

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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## References

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## See Also

[mdes.bira4r1](#), [mrss.bira4r1](#), [optimal.bira4r1](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

power.bira4r1(rho4=.05, rho3=.15, rho2=.15,
              omega4=.50, omega3=.50, omega2=.50,
              n=10, J=4, L=27, K=4)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.cra2r2

*Model 3.1: Statistical Power Calculator for 2-Level Cluster Random Assignment Design, Treatment at Level 2*

---

## Description

power.cra2r2 calculates statistical power for designs with 2-levels where level 2 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

## Usage

```
power.cra2r2(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2,
             g2=0, P=.50, R12=0, R22=0,
             n, J, ...)
```

## Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.   |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.  |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing. |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                         |

|     |  |
|-----|--|
| P   | proportion of level 2 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g2  | number of covariates at level 2.   |
| R12 | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22 | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| n   | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J   | level 2 sample size.   |
| ... | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

### Value

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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### References

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### See Also

[mdes.cra2r2](#), [mrss.cra2r2](#), [optimal.cra2r2](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.cra2r2(rho2=.20,
             n=4, J=20)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.cra3r3                      *Model 3.2: Statistical Power Calculator for 3-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 3*

---

**Description**

power.cra3r3 calculates statistical power for designs with 3-levels where level 3 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

**Usage**

```
power.cra3r3(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3,
             P=.50, g3=0, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0,
             n, J, K, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                                |
| P        | proportion of level 3 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g3       | number of covariates at level 3.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | level 3 sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**See Also**

[mdes.cra3r3](#), [mrss.cra3r3](#), [optimal.cra3r3](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.cra3r3(rho3=.06, rho2=.17,
             n=15, J=3, K=60)

## End(Not run)
```

power.cra4r4

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*Model 3.3: Statistical Power Calculator for 4-Level Cluster Random Assignment Designs, Treatment at Level 4*

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### Description

power.cra4r4 calculates statistical power for designs with 4-levels where level 4 units are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

### Usage

```
power.cra4r4(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             rho2, rho3, rho4,
             P=.50, R12=0, R22=0, R32=0, R42=0, g4=0,
             n, J, K, L, ...)
```

### Arguments

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| rho2     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 2 units.                                |
| rho3     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 3 units.                                |
| rho4     | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by level 4 units.                                |
| P        | proportion of level 4 units randomly assigned to treatment.                                      |
| g4       | number of covariates at level 4.   |
| R12      | proportion of level 1 variance in the outcome explained by level 1 covariates.                   |
| R22      | proportion of level 2 variance in the outcome explained by level 2 covariates.                   |
| R32      | proportion of level 3 variance in the outcome explained by level 3 covariates.                   |
| R42      | proportion of level 4 variance in the outcome explained by level 4 covariates.                   |
| n        | harmonic mean of level 1 units across level 2 units (or simple average).                         |
| J        | harmonic mean of level 2 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| K        | harmonic mean of level 3 units across level 3 units (or simple average).                         |
| L        | number of level 4 units.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

### Details

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**References**

Dong & Maynard (2013). PowerUp!: A Tool for Calculating Minum Detectable Effect Sizes and Minimum Required Sample Sizes for Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Design Studies, *Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness*, 6(1), 24-6.

Hedges, L. & Rhoads, C.(2009). Statistical Power Analysis in Education Research (NCSE 2010-3006). Washington, DC: National Center for Special Education Research, Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education. This report is available on the IES website at <http://ies.ed.gov/ncser/>.

**See Also**

[mdes.cra4r4](#), [mrss.cra4r4](#), [optimal.cra4r4](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

power.cra4r4(rho4=.05, rho3=.05, rho2=.10,
             n=10, J=2, K=3, L=20)

## End(Not run)
```

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power.ira1r1

*Model 1.0: Statistical Power Calculator for Individual Random Assignment Designs, Completely Randomized Controlled Trials*

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**Description**

power.ira1r1 calculates statistical power for completely randomized controlled trials where individuals are randomly assigned to treatment and control groups.

**Usage**

```
power.ira1r1(mdes=.25, alpha=.05, two.tail=TRUE,
             P=.50, g1=0, R12=0,
             n, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| mdes     | minimum detectable effect size.  |
| alpha    | probability of type I error.   |
| two.tail | logical; TRUE for two-tailed hypothesis testing, FALSE for one-tailed hypothesis testing.        |
| P        | proportion of units randomly assigned to treatment.  |
| g1       | number of covariates.  |
| R12      | proportion of variance in the outcome explained by covariates.                                   |
| n        | sample size.   |
| ...      | to handle extra parameters passed from other functions, do not define any additional parameters. |

**Details**

Power formula was derived within power analysis framework described by Hedges & Rhoads (2009). Further definition of design parameters can be found in Dong & Maynard (2013).

**Value**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| fun   | function name.  |
| par   | list of parameters used in power calculation.   |
| df    | model degrees of freedom  |
| M     | multiplier for MDES calculation given model degrees of freedom, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ (1-power). |
| power | statistical power (1 - type II error).  |

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**See Also**

[mdes.ira1r1](#), [mrss.ira1r1](#), [optimal.ira1r1](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
power.ira1r1(n=55)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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t1t2.error

*Plots Type I and Type II Error Rates*

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**Description**

t1t2.error plots Type I ( $\alpha$ ) and Type II ( $\beta$ ) error rates using central and noncentral t distributions for any objects returned from one of the PowerUpR functions.

**Usage**

```
t1t2.error(x)
```

**Arguments**

x an object returned from one of the PowerUpR functions.

**Details**

t1t2.error plots Type I ( $\alpha$ ) and Type II ( $\beta$ ) error rates using central and noncentral t distributions for any objects returned from one of the PowerUpR functions. It is provided for didactic purpose.

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**See Also**

[plot.pars](#)



**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
design1 <- mdes.bira2r1(rho2=.35, omega2=.10,  
                      n=83, J=480)  
t1t2.error(design1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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