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## All About Compounding

**Artificial Intelligence [AI]  
in**

**Rubber Compounding:**

**Introduction of GrafCompounder 4.0.6**

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## Introduction

Tools in Compounding  
GrafCompounder Version 4.0.6  
Program Tools  
Confirmation of Simulation  
Conclusion



## Content of this presentation

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4. Program tools
5. Confirmation of Simulation
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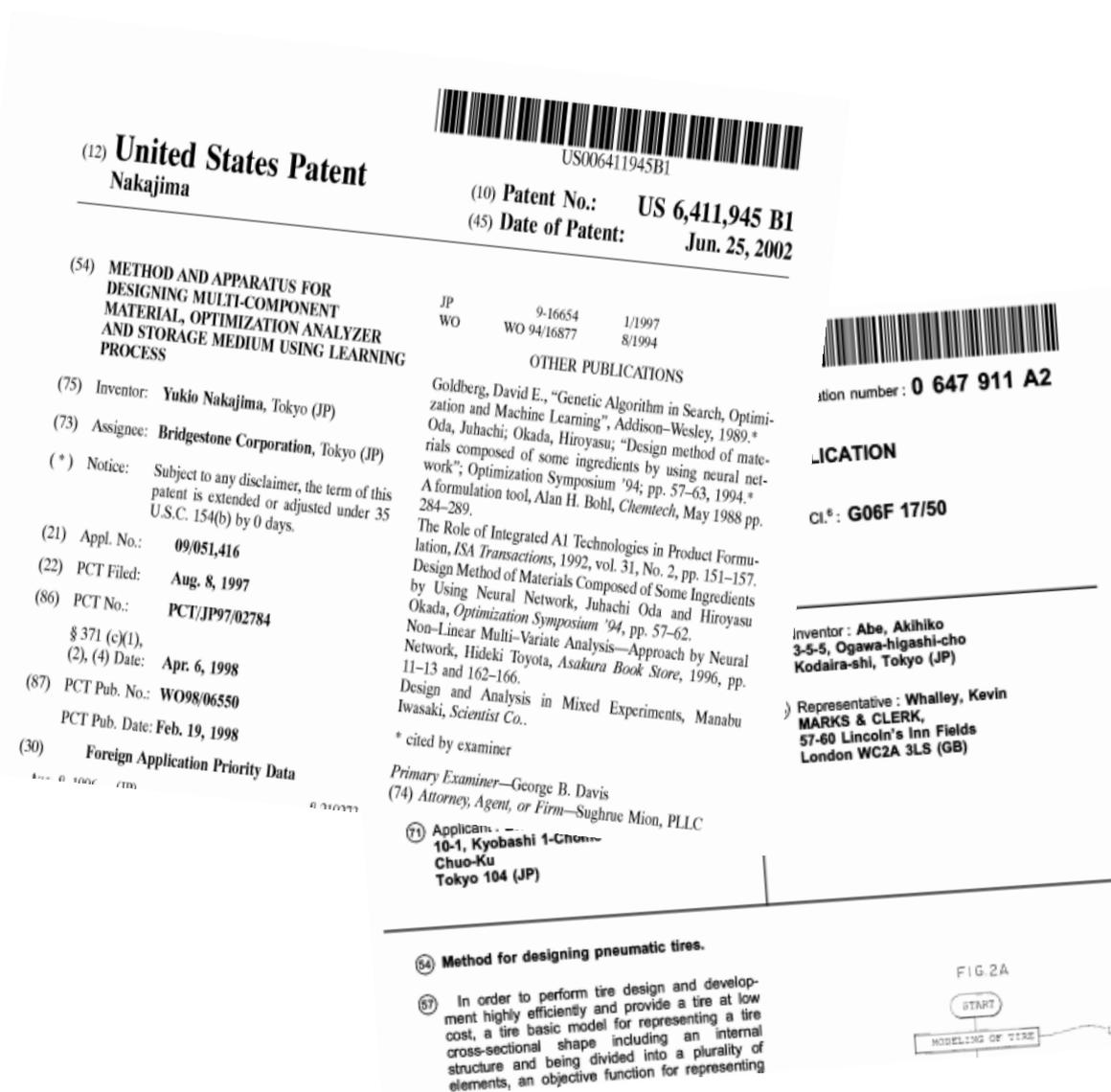
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## → Computer Aided Compound Development

- **Bridgestone Patent 1994**  
Inventor: Akihiko Abe
- **Bridgestone Patent 2002**  
Inventor: Yukio Nakajima
- **Colour Matching Patents from BASF, CyanAmid, DuPONT**
- **Empirical DoE Patent: Honeywell**
- **Recipe Library Search and Comparison**  
CombiChem, GE, Hunt (Private)





## → Tools in Compound Development

### → Database Oriented

- **Better utilization of historic compound data base**
- **Faster results - minimizes efforts and time in development**
- **Increases creativity through compound simulation**

### → Experimentation Oriented

- **Evaluation of New Material without History**
- **Correlation between effect of factors on response**
- **Creates statistically sound knowledge about ingredients and processes**



## ➔ **Tools in Compound Development**

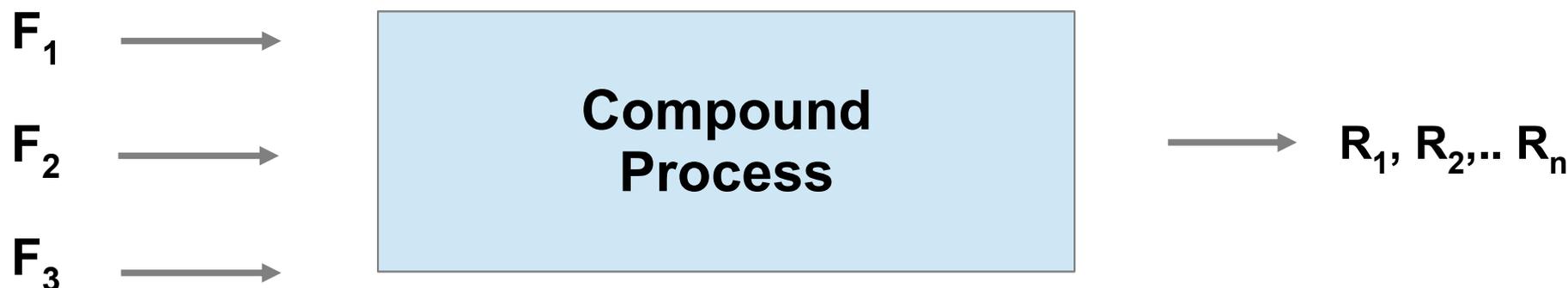
### ➔ **Experimentation oriented**

### ➔ **Input: Factor Variation**

- **Experiments according DoE systematic**
- **Testing**
- **Data treatment: ANOVA, Regression, Correlation between factor variation and response**

### ➤ **Output: Recipe, Correlation Maps, Overlay Plots**

## Experimentation: Variation of Factors



## Measurements: Responses

**Objective of the Experiment is the identification of the factors ( $F_1, \dots, F_n$ ) type of influence on the responses ( $R_1, \dots, R_n$ ) and description with mathematical equations for further processing.**

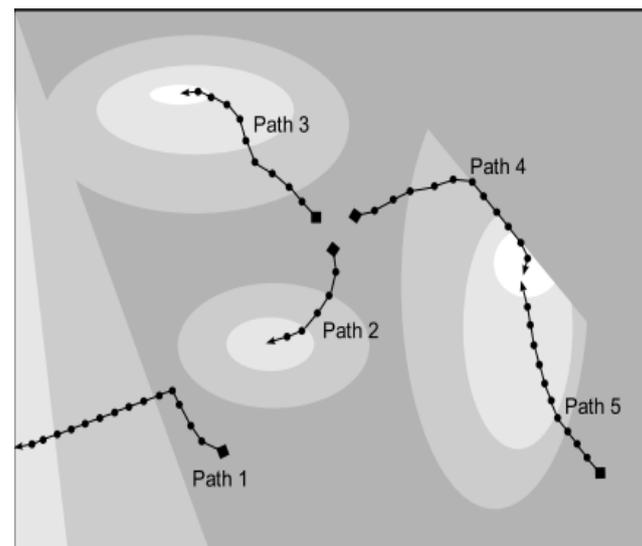
$$R_{i(1\dots n)} = f(A_0 + A_1 F_1 + \dots + A_n F_n + \dots)$$

## Tools in Compound Development

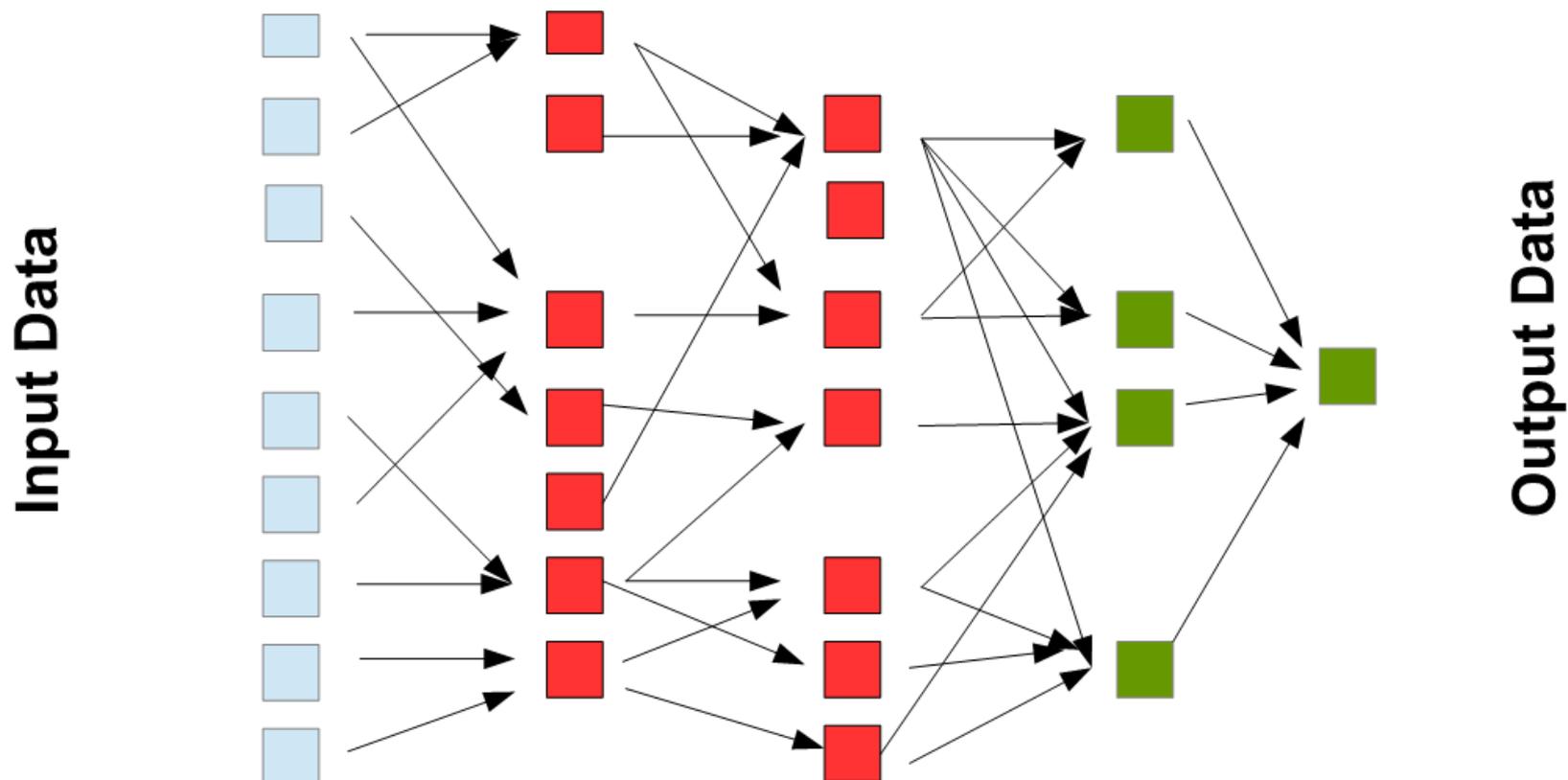
→ Database Oriented

→ Input: Data + Multi target query

- Data treatment with Multi Objective Evolutionary Algorithm (MOEA)
- Numerical Solution with a Gradient Walking Method and data treatment simultaneously.
- Approximation Function calculates distance from target.



→ Output: Recipe with Ingredients and its Properties



- Each square represents a data column: Recipe and property information
- Simultaneous treatment of all data columns in small steps

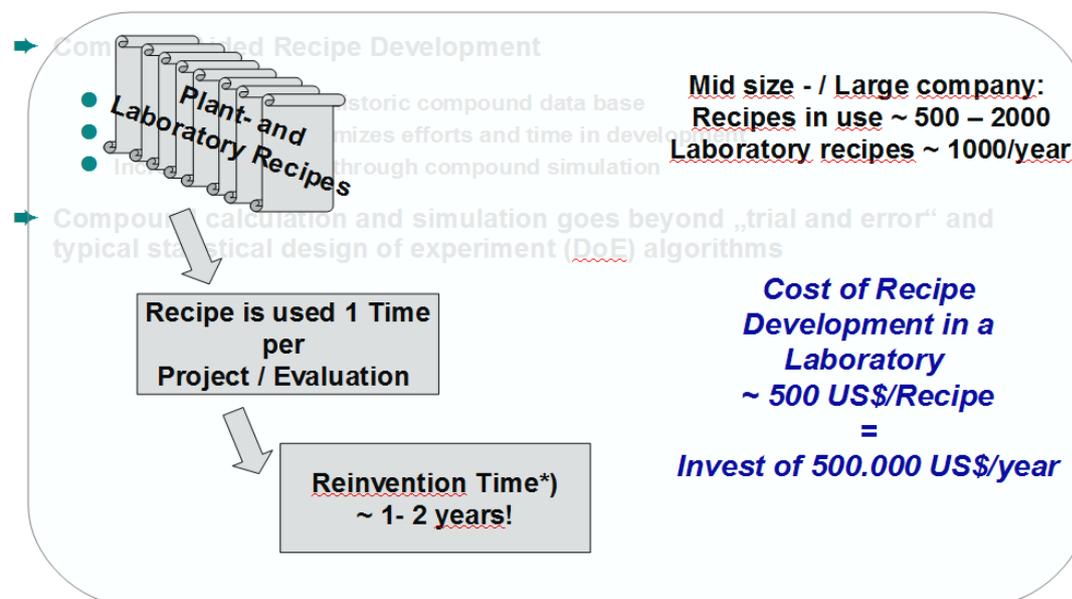


## Algorithm used in AI Programming

- **k-Means-Algorithm**
  - **Creates cluster, calculates mean (Centroide) reorganization, Iteration**
  
- **Genetic Algorithm**
  - **Proposed Solution, iteration and mutation towards optimum, selection of results**
  
- **Neuronal Net**
  - **Complex algorithm (Neuron): Calculation of a weighted sum, normalisation to emphazise or dampen the summands. „Input – Hidden – Output“ layer. Feed Forward Networks / Recurrent Neuronal Networks**

## Compound Database

- Unorganized
- Incomplete
- Inhomogeneous



## Solution

- Inclusion / Exclusion of Recipes from query.
- Analytical tools for transparency
- Addition of Data with merger function
- Confirmation Experiment for Result verification



## ➔ Database created with Statistic Experimental Design (DoE)

- Organized / limited size
- Variation of few factors according DoE scheme
- Optimization, numerical and graphical / prediction Tool available in the software

## ➔ Computer Aided Recipe Development with GrafCompounder using Database created historically

- Unorganized / Unlimited
- Multiple Factor Query
- Compound Simulation according Multi Targets
- Calculation in multiple small steps excludes none linear effects.
- Accurate Property Data yield Output in 95% confidence interval.





## GrafCompounder Screen

### ■ Data field

- Code
- Ingredient name
- Cost information
- Density

### ■ Criteria field

- Min/Max Value
- Query column:
  - From
  - To
  - Weight
  - TrdOff

### ➤ Output field

The screenshot shows the GrafCompounder software interface with the following sections:

**Input data:**

Code:	Ingredients:	Cost:	Density:	CMDP1	CMDP2	CMDP3
A001	SMR 10	280.00	0.92			
A002	NR Sheets II	240.00	0.92			
A003	SMR CV60	290.00	0.92			
A004	SMR L	310.00	0.92			
A011	SBR 1500	178.00	0.94			
A012	SBR 1609 (50il/40CB)	178.00	0.94			
A013	SBR 1618 (50il/50CB)	178.00	1.12			
A014	SBR 1620 (-Oil/50CB)	178.00	1.13			
A015	SBR 1711 (37,5Oil/-CB)	178.00	0.94	80.00	80.00	
A016	SBR 1707 (37,5Oil/-CB)	178.00	0.94			
A017	SBR 1779 (37,5Oil/-CB)	178.00	0.94			
A018	SBR 1808 (47,5Oil/76CB)	178.00	1.14			
A019	SBR 1843 (15Oil/100CB)	178.00	1.20			
A021	Buna CB 10	200.00	0.92	20.00	20.00	
A901	TOR	520.00	0.91			
A902	Recycled Tread	105.00	1.25			
B002	N 220	115.00	1.80			
B003	N330	115.00	1.80	70.00	70.00	
B004	N336	115.00	1.80			
B005	N550	115.00	1.80			
B006	N 762	115.00	1.80			
B901	Ground Rubber	55.00	1.25		10.00	
C001	Silica VN3	145.00	2.00			
C010	CaCO3	24.00	1.57			
C021	Clay	172.00	2.70			
C022	Siltin N	125.00	2.00			
D001	Paraffinic Oil	120.00	0.90			
D002	Naphtenic Oil	116.00	0.91			
D003	Aromatic Oil	128.00	0.98	18.00	18.00	
E001	ZnO	385.00	5.60	5.00	5.00	
E011	TiO2	260.00	2.74			

**Criteria:**

Name	Min	Max	From	To	Weight	Trdoff
SMR 10	0	100				
NR Sheets II	0	100				
SMR CV60	0	101				
SMR L	0	100				
SBR 1500	0	100				
SBR 1609 (50il/40CB)	0	72.5			0	
SBR 1618 (50il/50CB)	0	155			0	
SBR 1620 (-Oil/50CB)	0	72.5			0	
SBR 1711	0	100			0	
SBR 1707	0	137.5			0	
SBR 1779	0	100			0	
SBR 1808	0	223.5			0	
SBR 1843	0	140			0	
Buna CB 10	0	30				
TOR	0	20				
Recycled Tread	0	200				
N 220	0	60				
N330	0	80				
N336	0	40				
N550	0	90				
N 762	0	85				
Ground Rubber	0	75				
Silica VN3	0	25				
CaCO3	0	240				
Clay	0	160				
Siltin N	0	90				
Paraffinic Oil	0	10				
Naphtenic Oil	0	45				
Aromatic Oil	0	25				
ZnO	0	10				
TiO2	0	10				

**Output:**

Mixture1	Mixture3
	18.5
100	81.5
	10.5
7.8375	45.35
47.1625	8.3625
	1.575
	8.4
6.21375	7.7225
5	4.7375
172.7595	203.663625
1.158	1.189
194.962	205.545
168.361	172.872

Sum of recipe ratios (should be 100%):  
100



## Information Area

- Total Sum of Ingredients
- Density (calc)  
 According to density information in Column
- Cost (per volume)
- Cost (per mass)
- Recipe ratio in %

The screenshot shows the GrafCompounder software interface. The main window displays a table with columns for ingredients, costs, densities, and recipe ratios. The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Diagram, Help) and a toolbar. The main table lists various ingredients like SBR 1809, SBR 1818, SBR 1820, SBR 1711, SBR 1707, SBR 1779, SBR 1808, SBR 1843, Buna CB 10, TOR, Recycled Tread, N 220, N330, N336, N550, N 762, Ground Rubber, Silica VN3, CaCO3, Clay, Silin N, Paraffinic Oil, Naphtenic Oil, Aromatic Oil, ZnO, and TiO2. The table includes columns for Cost, Density, and Recipe ratios in %. The summary table at the bottom shows Total ingredients, Density (calc.), Cost (per vol), and Cost (per mass) for the mixture. The interface also includes a 'Criteria' table and an 'Output' table.

**Control: Sum of recipes used for calculation should be always 100%.**



## How to do a query:

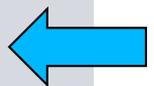
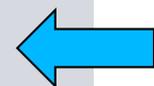
### 1. Ingredients

**Exclude with target = 0**

### 2. Properties

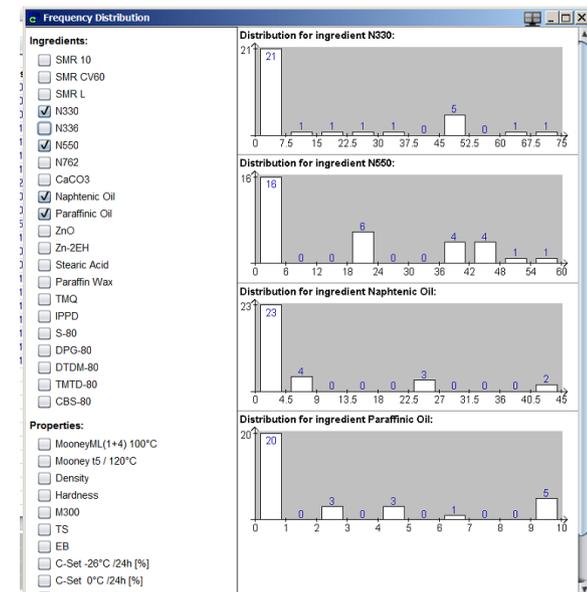
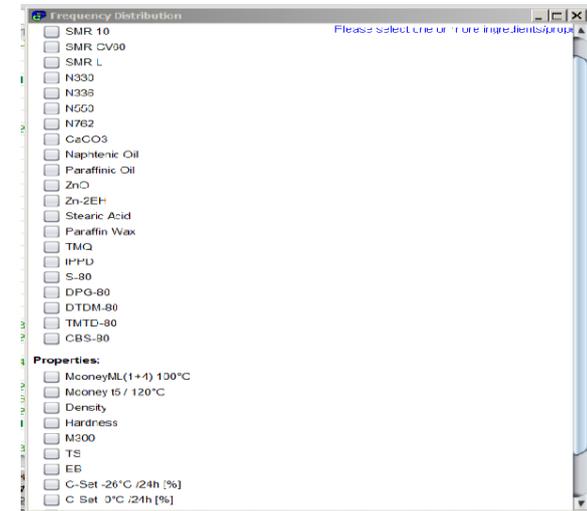
- ✓ Target from Min value to Max value
- ✓ Put a weight on property target, if more important than others
- ✓ In case of conflicting target: Give a preference with Trdoff: Back off a bit from the target in favour of others

2							0.025
4						2.9725	2.985
4.06						2.35885	3.585825
0.25							0.003125
1.25							0.015625
1.5							
2.63						1.452825	1.183575
80						30.7739	29.402
39						32.0873	32.907
1.21						1.0598	1.040925
71	47	50	50	50		50.01	52.711
14.2	7					5.08455	6.2179
30	25					25.69705	26.107
785		600				634.6817	598.35
83		10	10			22.4705	15.369
16		6				8.525	6.4265
18		10				7.9618	4.838
61		15	10			26.3231	22.0725
51.51						150.766675	139.35065
1.214						1.055	1.045
26.37						277.212	287.094
01.915						262.76	274.731



## Database Diagnose Tool

- Frequency distribution of
  - Ingredient
  - Property can be chosen
  
- Scale is automatically selected according Minimum and Maximum value in the database



## Database Diagnose Tool

### ➤ Correlation Diagram

### ➤ Example: Tensile (TS) over Elongation at Break (EB)

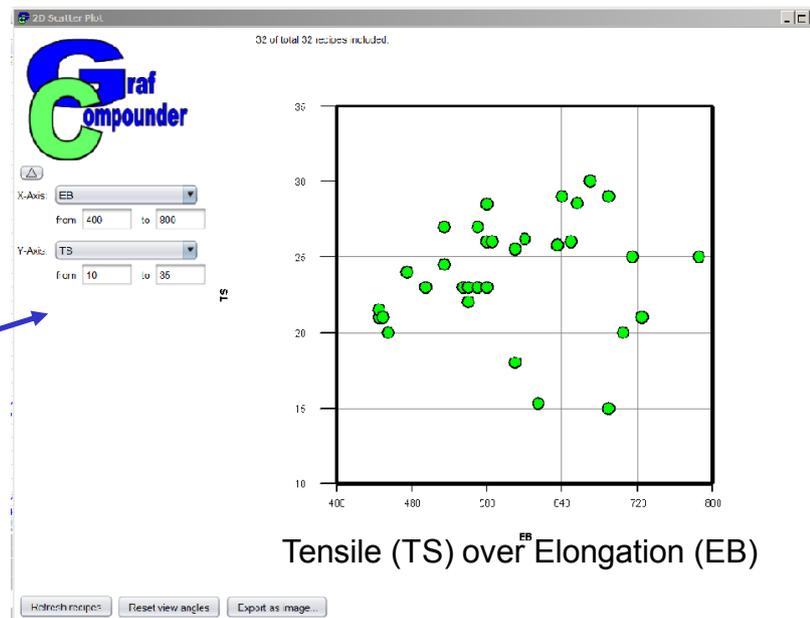
#### ➤ Scale for axis Selected

- automatically

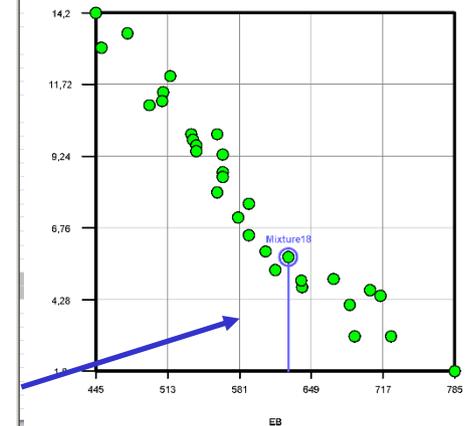
or

- manually

#### ➤ Highlight recipe for evaluation or exclusion



Tensile (TS) over Elongation (EB)



Modulus M300 over Elongation (EB)





## ➤ Recipe for confirmation experiment

- Append selected recipe in “Input data” field
  - It is highlighted as “gc-unconfirmed”
- Eliminate nonsense values and consolidate
- Round values to two decimal places

## ➤ Confirmation

- Experiment: Change property values to confirmed values

04	Mixture1	Mixture4	Mixture2	Mixture4	Criteria:						Output:		
					Name	Min	Max	From	To	Wei...	Trdff		
104	Mixture1	Mixture4	Mixture2	Mixture4	gc-unconfir							Mixture1	Mixture4
00.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	SMR 10	0	100					2.75	1.5
45.00		7.00			SMR CV60	0	100					97.25	98.5
	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.00	SMR L	0	100					7.045	0.125
					N330	0	75					19.45	20.2
4.00	2.00	8.00	2.00	2.00	N336	0	40					0.55	0.05
5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	N550	0	60					7.9875	2.0825
2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	N762	0	85					0.005	0.125
2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	CaCO3	0	20					5	5
3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	Naphthenic Oil	0	45	8	10	10		2	2
3.13	3.60	2.25	1.90	3.60	Paraffinic Oil	0	10					1.945	1.97
					ZnO	5	10						0.025
					Zn-2EH	0	1					2.9725	2.985
					Stearic Acid	0	2					2.35885	3.585825
					Paraffin Wax	0	2						0.003125
					TMQ	0	2						0.015625
					IPPD	2	4						
					S-80	0.31	4.06					1.452825	1.183575
					DPG-80	0	0.25						
					DTDM-80	0	1.25						
					TMTD-80	0	1.5						
					CBS-80	0	2.63						
57.00	29.20	30.90	30.22	29.40	MooneyML(1++)	27	80					30.7739	29.402
22.00	33.20	32.00	33.34	32.91	Mooney t5 /	8	39					32.0873	32.907
1.10	1.04	1.06	1.04	1.04	Density	1.02	1.21					1.0598	1.040925
71.00	52.60	50.03	50.01	52.71	Hardness	40	71	47	50	50	50	50.01	52.711
10.80	6.14	5.06	4.38	6.22	M300	1.8	14.2	7				5.08455	6.2179
27.00	26.20	25.81	28.56	26.11	TS	15	30	25				25.69705	26.107
50.00	600.00	635.32	655.95	598.35	EB	445	785		600			634.6817	598.35
31.00	15.40	23.01	24.67	15.37	C-Set -26°C	10	83		10	10		22.4705	15.369
12.00	6.40	8.61	8.22	6.43	C-Set 0°C	4	16		6			8.525	6.4265
65.13	138.8	150.75	137.65	139.8	Total	132.6	251.5					150.766675	139.35065



## Confirmation experiments

- **To prove calculation of recipe using a database or even historic data from literature three experiments were chosen**
  - **Recalculation of Filler / Oil DoE (Cabot Compounding Tables)**
  - **EPDM ENB / Accelerator DoE recalculation (published by DuPont 1998) for optimum ENB content and None n-nitrosamine Acceleratorsystem**
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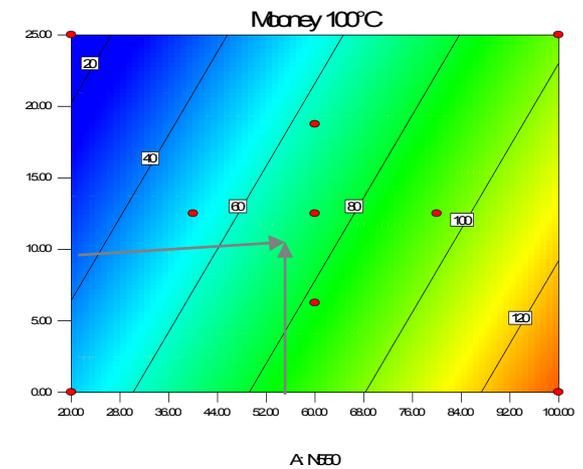
## Properties of MB is determined by Polymer, CB and Oil content and the ratio or CB and Oil.

- Unit 2 as a reference (based on Cabot TG RG-135)
- ...

- **CB 550: 55 phr**
- **Oil: 10 phr**
- **Mooney Viscosity: 71 M-Units**
- **Hardness: 60 ° ShA**
- **Tensile: 21 MPa**
- **Elongation: 460 %**
- **C-Set: 28%**

### NR Compound

- **SMR 5CV – 100 phr**
- **CB – Var**
- **Oil – Var**
- **ZnO – 5 phr**
- **StAc – 1 phr**
- **AO – 1 phr**
- **NR 100 phr**
- **MBTS – 0.6**
- **S – 2.5 phr**



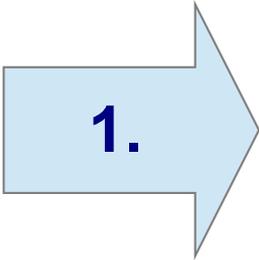
## → Calculation method confirmation

- Prove with
  1. NR Filler / Oil DoE – most of basic physicals are linear
  2. Filler / Oil DoE
  3. Accelerator DoE

DoE with 4 Factors

Polymer used: EPDM (Vistalon 8600)

Factor Name	Units	Min	Max
–	A C6630	phr 60.00	95.00
	B CaCO3	phr 10.00	70.00
	C Clay	phr 10.00	50.00
	D Oil	phr 70.00	95.00

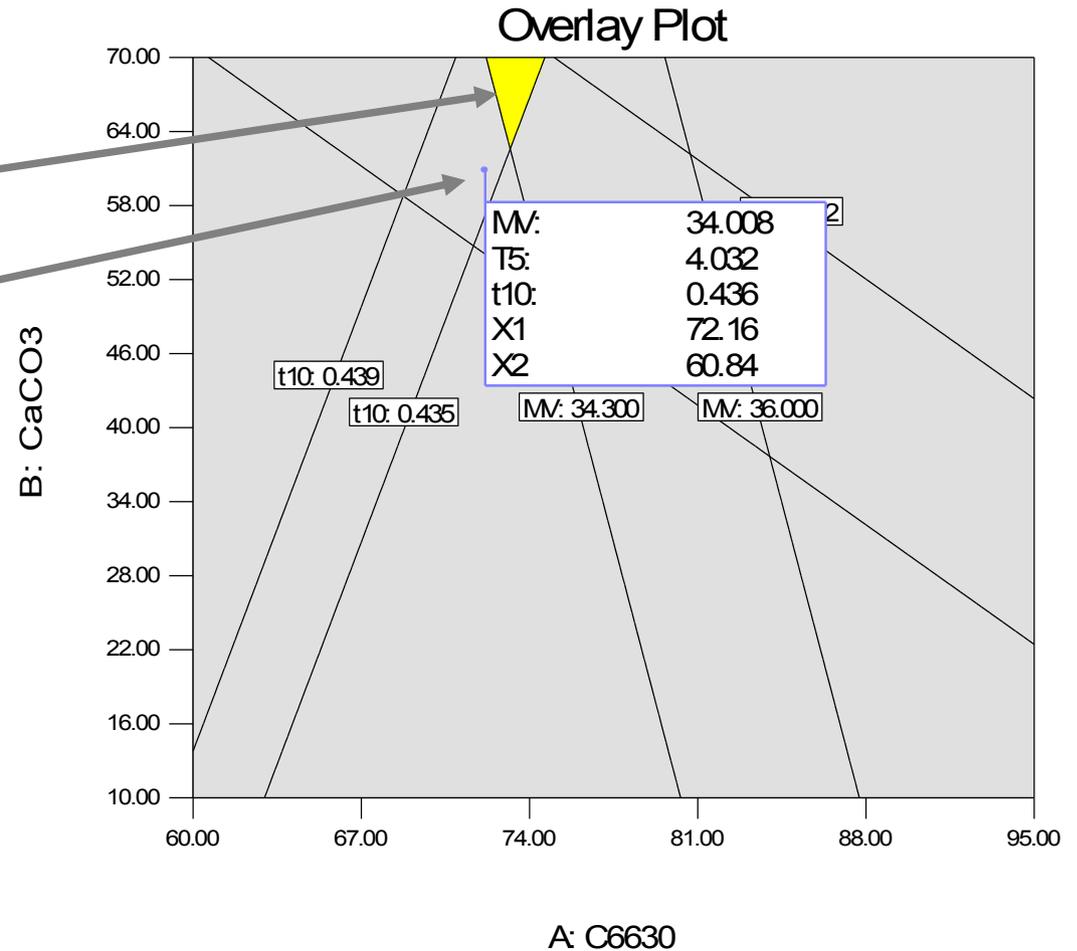


1.

- A fractional factorial DoE with 11 compounds only!



**Optimization area calculated  
with Design Expert**  
**Solution given by  
GrafCompounder**  
**with the additional condition  
(CC 6630 – 73 phr)**



2.

**DoE published by DuPont Dow in 1998**

- **Factors: ENB, DTDC, S, MBT, TiTBD, ZdiBC, DTP**
- **DoE with 41 Experiments**

**Tensile at break is significant with linear model**

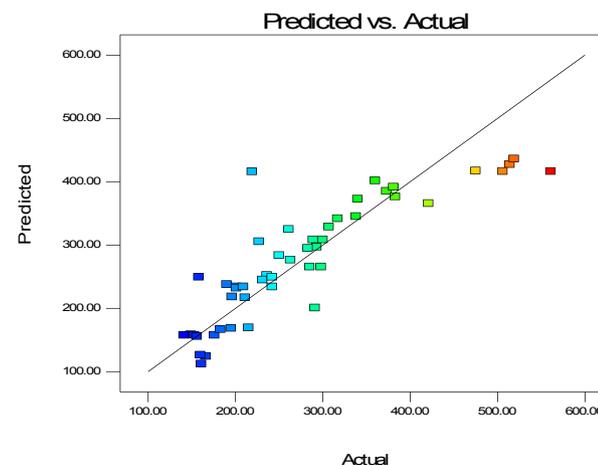
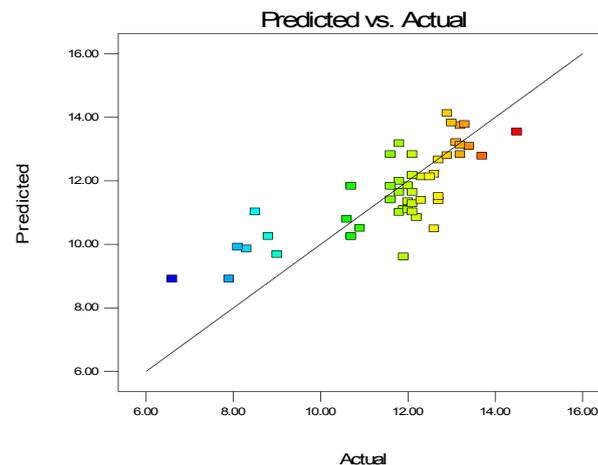
- **Sulfur has larger influence followed by DTDC and TiTBD, but negative**

**Elongation is significant with quadratic model, but linear model is a more than sufficient fit**

- **Sulfur has the largest influence followed by DTDC**

**Hardness is sufficient significant with linear model as well**

- **Main influence Sulfur, DTDC**





• **Boundary Conditions**

- **Select boundaries**

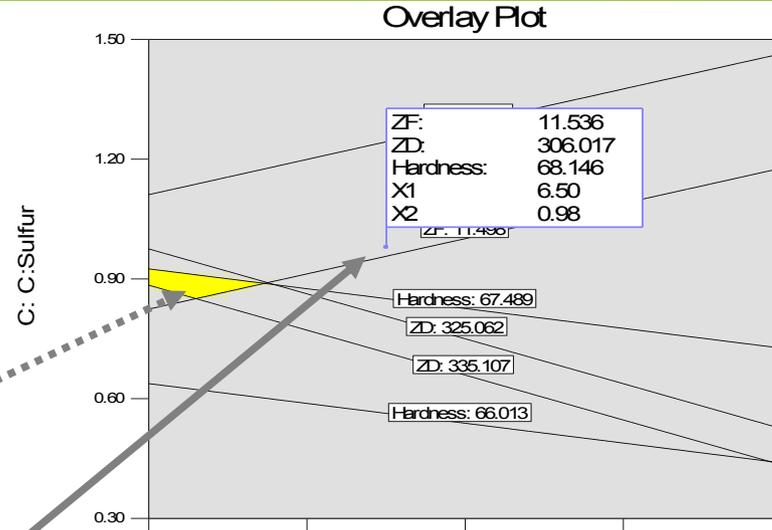
**ZF-MPa : 11.5-12.0**

**ZD-% : 325-335**

**H-° ShA : 65-67**

The Design Expert optimization graph shows the location of the result as a yellow area, but

GrafCompounder result is tagged with a flag.



Ingredients	GrafCompounder	Design Expert®
ENB	6.5	5.45
C:Sulfur	0.93	0.88
B:DTDC	0.98	0.98
D:MBT	1	1
E:TIBTD	1.51	1.51
F:ZDiBC	1.33	1.33
G:DTP	1.45	1.44
ZF	11.5	11.5
ZD	325	330
Hardness	67	67.5

3.

- **Simulation of a DoE**

- **Experiments made in the Laboratory**

- **NR based Compound**

- **Filler 1: CB 336**

**LL**

**UL**

**30 phr**

**70 phr**

- **Filler 2: CB 550**

**0 phr**

**20 phr**

- **Naphtenic Oil:**

**5 phr**

**45 phr**

- **Type of DoE: fractonal factorial**

- **Software: Design Expert®**

- **Calculation made with GrafCompounder**

- **Database: NR Formula index from MRPRA**

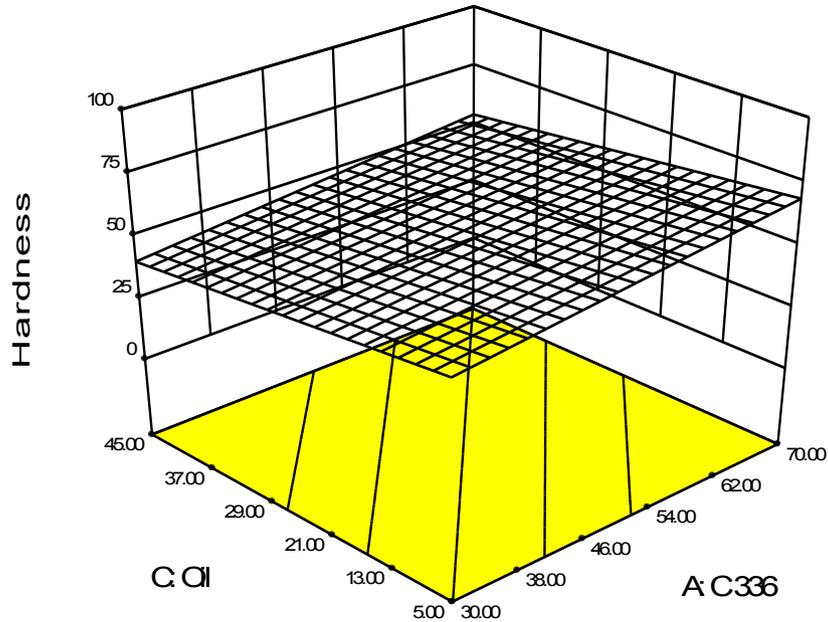
- ★ **For comparison: Hardness, Tensile - / Elongation at break**

## Hardness:

X1 – A: CB 336

X2 = C: Napht oil

B: CB 550 = 10.00 phr

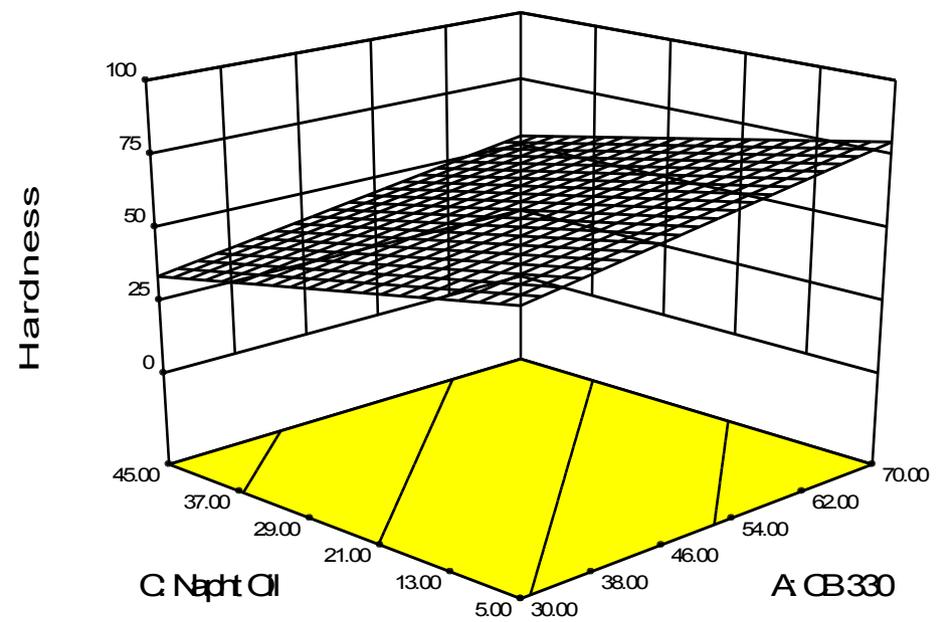


## Hardness Simulation

X1 – A: CB 330

X2 = C: Napht oil

B: CB 550 = 10.00 phr

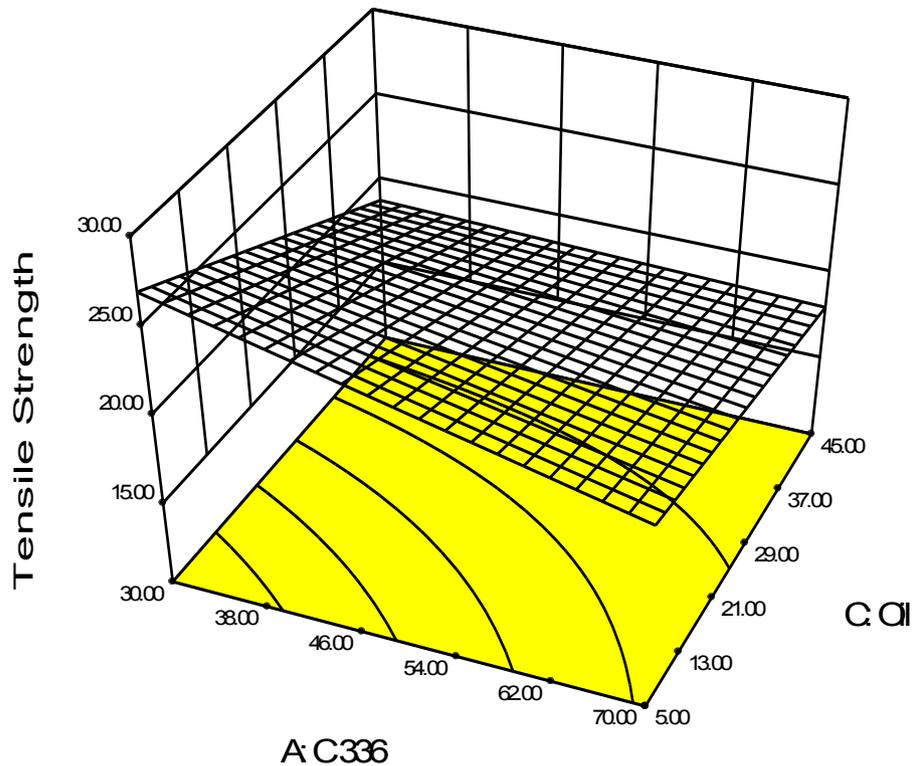


## Tensile at break:

X1 – A: CB 336

X2 = C: Napht oil

B: CB 550 = 10.00 phr

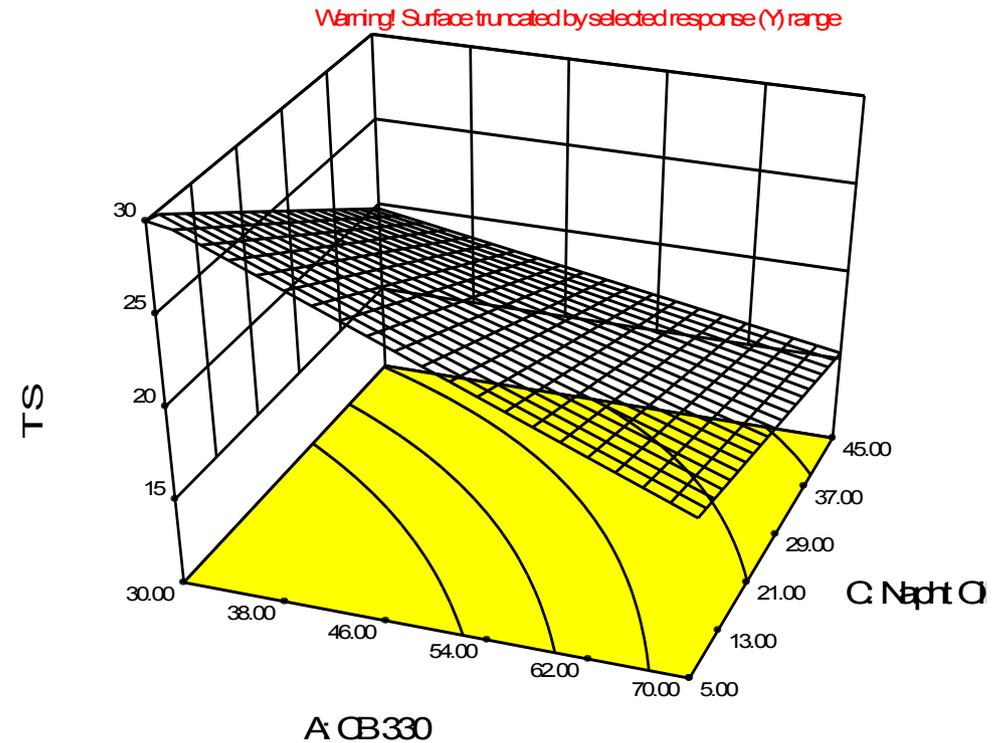


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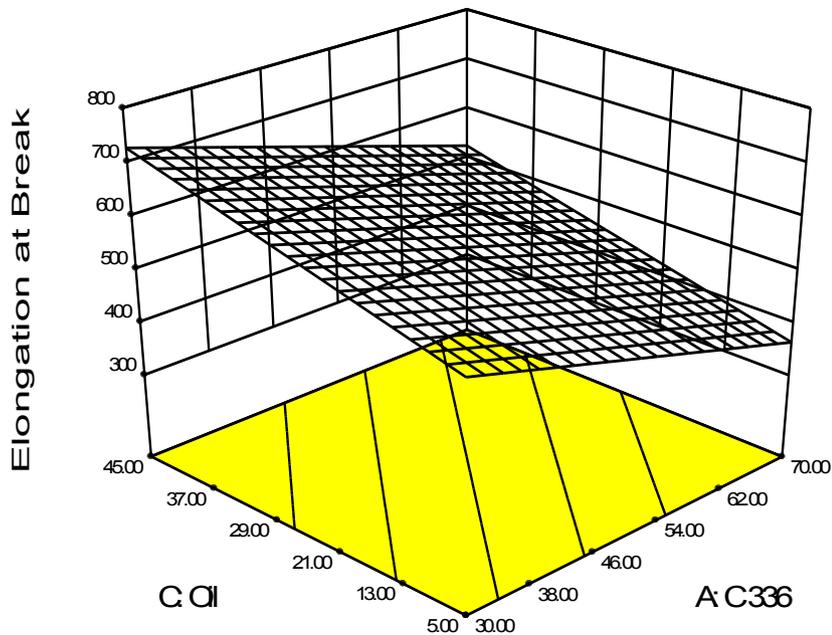


## Elongation at break:

X1 – A: CB 336

X2 = C: Napht oil

B: CB 550 = 10.00 phr

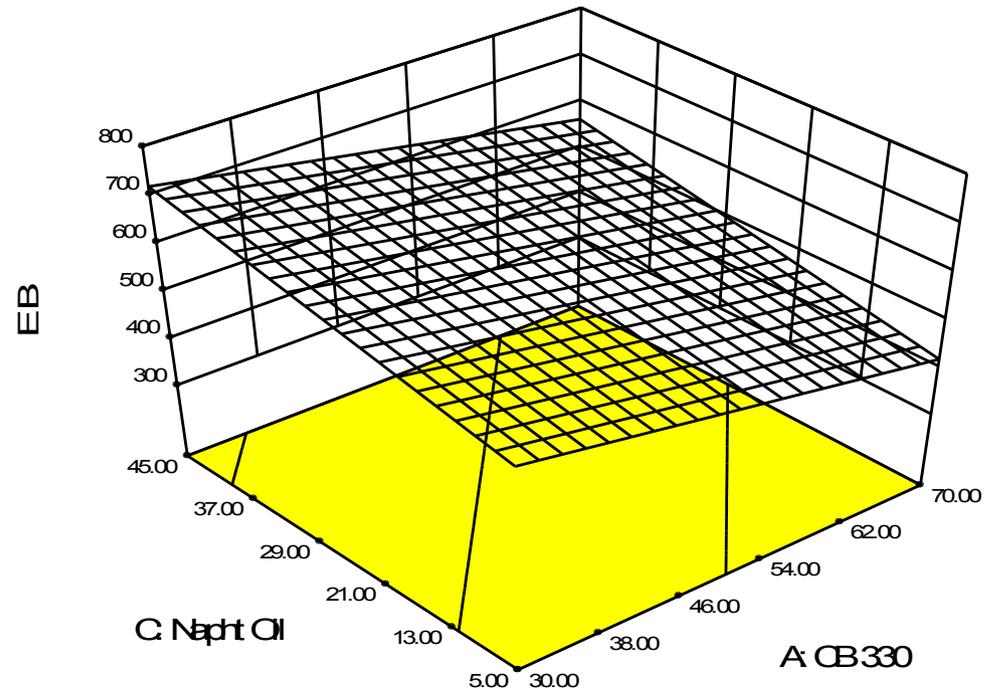


## Elongation at break Simulation

X1 – A: CB 330

X2 = C: Napht oil

B: CB 550 = 10.00 phr





➔ Screenshot of GrafCompounder with demo data, targets and a calculated compound

GrafCompounder version 4.0.4 - G:\Seminare\01 - Seminars\Course 2021\Forum Vienna 21\Presentation HJG\NR-Data-Code Cost Dichte test.gc

File Edit Diagram Help

Input data:

Code:	NR Testdateien	Cost:	Density:	50AL511	50AL512	50AL513	50AL514	50AL515	50AL516	50AL517	50AL
A001	SMR 10	280.00	0.92	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
A003	SMR CV60	290.00	0.92								
A004	SMR L	310.00	0.92								
B003	N330	115.00	1.80	10.00	30.00	50.00	25.00	45.00	75.00	45.00	
B004	N336	115.00	1.80								
B005	N550	115.00	1.80								
B006	N762	115.00	1.80								
C010	CaCO3	24.00	2.71	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	
D002	Naphtenic Oil	116.00	0.89	5.00	25.00	45.00	5.00	25.00	45.00	5.00	
D001	Paraffinic Oil	120.00	0.90								
E001	ZnO	385.00	5.60	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	
E021	Zn-2EH	150.00	1.80								
F001	Stearic Acid	165.00	0.92	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	
F101	Paraffin Wax	130.00	0.90								
G001	TMQ	924.00	1.15								
G001	IPPD	924.00	1.15	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	
H001	S-80	158.00	1.80	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	
K804	DPG-80	420.00	1.28								
H802	DTDM-80	360.00	1.28								
K001	TMTD-80	396.00	1.11								
K005	CBS-80	708.00	1.28	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.63	
PR001	MooneyML(1+4) 100°C			32.00	36.00	31.00	34.00	30.00	42.00	60.00	
PR002	Mooney t5 / 120°C			28.00	28.00	32.00	28.00	32.00	22.00	20.00	
PR003	Density			1.08	1.12	1.16	1.13	1.16	1.19	1.19	
PR004	Hardness			42.00	41.00	40.00	48.00	48.00	52.00	61.00	
PR007	M300			1.80	3.00	3.00	4.40	4.60	5.30	8.00	
PR008	TS			25.00	21.00	15.00	25.00	20.00	15.30	23.00	
PR009	EB			785.00	725.00	690.00	715.00	705.00	615.00	560.00	
PR020	C-Set -26°C /24h [%]			22.00	28.00	30.00	17.00	19.00	35.00	29.00	
PR021	C-Set 0°C /24h [%]			10.00	14.00	14.00	8.00	12.00	16.00	13.00	
Total				146.51	186.51	226.51	161.51	201.51	251.51	181.51	
Density				1.097	1.116	1.128	1.138	1.148	1.172	1.186	
Cost (per				262.484	237.406	220.591	259.16	235.861	219.811	255.359	
Cost (per				239.274	212.729	195.559	227.733	205.454	187.552	215.311	

Recipe ratios in %:

0.25

Number format: 12345.67

Import input data from clipboard Auto mix (overwrite mixture) Auto mix (new mixture)

Criteria:

Name	Min	Max	From	To	Wei...	Trdff
SMR 10	0	100				
SMR CV60	0	100				
SMR L	0	100				
N330	0	75				
N336	0	40				
N550	0	60				
N762	0	85				
CaCO3	0	20				
Naphtenic Oil	0	45	8	10	10	
Paraffinic Oil	0	10				
ZnO	5	10				
Zn-2EH	0	1				
Stearic Acid	0	2				
Paraffin Wax	0	2				
TMQ	0	2				
IPPD	2	4				
S-80	0.31	4.06				
DPG-80	0	0.25				
DTDM-80	0	1.25				
TMTD-80	0	1.5				
CBS-80	0	2.63				
MooneyML(1+4)	27	80				
Mooney t5 /	8	39				
Density	1.02	1.21				
Hardness	40	71	47	50	50	50
M300	1.8	14.2	7			
TS	15	30	25			
EB	445	785		600		
C-Set -26°C	10	83		10	10	
C-Set 0°C	4	16		6		

Output:

Mixture1	Mixture4
2.75	1.5
97.25	98.5
7.045	0.125
19.45	20.2
0.55	0.05
7.9875	2.0825
0.005	0.125
5	5
2	2
1.945	1.97
	0.025
2.9725	2.985
2.35895	3.585825
	0.003125
	0.015625
1.452825	1.183575
30.7739	29.402
32.0873	32.907
1.0598	1.040925
50.01	52.711
5.08455	6.2179
25.69705	26.107
634.6817	598.35
22.4705	15.369
8.525	6.4265
150.766675	139.35065
1.055	1.045
277.212	287.094
262.76	274.731

Sum of recipe ratios (should be 100%): 100



## Compound Simulation with GrafCompounder

- **Creation of a formula with multiple criteria query including**
  - **Ingredients**
  - **Properties**
- **Traceability back to formulas used in calculation**
  - **Analysis of outliers and their correction or elimination in the database is possible.**
  - **Integration of results from statistical experimental designs to improve database**
  - **Merger of databases of different origin**
    - either with copy / import
    - Merger of [data.gc](#) files

## **Result of simulation MUST be confirmed by an experiment.**

- **Probability of a match between calculation and confirmation experiment result is about 90-5% according first experience**



## → Summary:

- The resulting formulas calculated are inline with general rules of compounding
  - ❖ Differences with calculations based on regression is marginal
- Only one confirmation experiment would be needed as opposed to multiple trials in case of development targets.
- Area of use / advantage
  - Compound Cost estimation
  - Starting Formula for Compound Development
  - Simulation of Recipe for Specification Adjustments
  - Historic Data usage and improved Data storage
- **New materials have to be evaluated with Statistic Experimental Design**

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- ➔ **Release of the „GrafCompounder“ Version 4.04 June 2021**
- ➔ **Upgrades for Owners of Version 3.211 provided for a special price  
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**Thank you for joining this presentation.**

➔ **Any question, comment?**

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