

Compound Development

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Advantage of Compound Development with the PC-Program “GrafCompounder”

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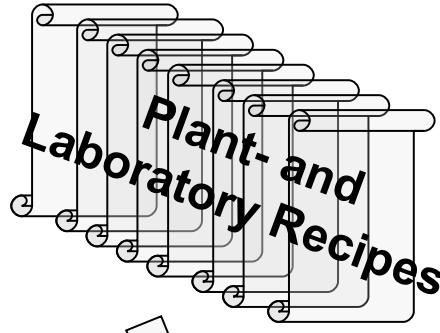
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 - ⊕ **Combination of Grafcompounder with DoE**
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**Recipe is used 1 Time
per
Project / Evaluation**

**Reinvention Time*)
~ 1- 2 Jahre!**

**Mid size - / Large company:
Recipes in use ~ 500 – 2000
Laboratory recipes ~ 1000/year**

***Cost of Recipe
Development in a
Laboratory
~ 500 US\$/Recipe***

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Invest of 500.000 US\$/year

*) personal Estimation

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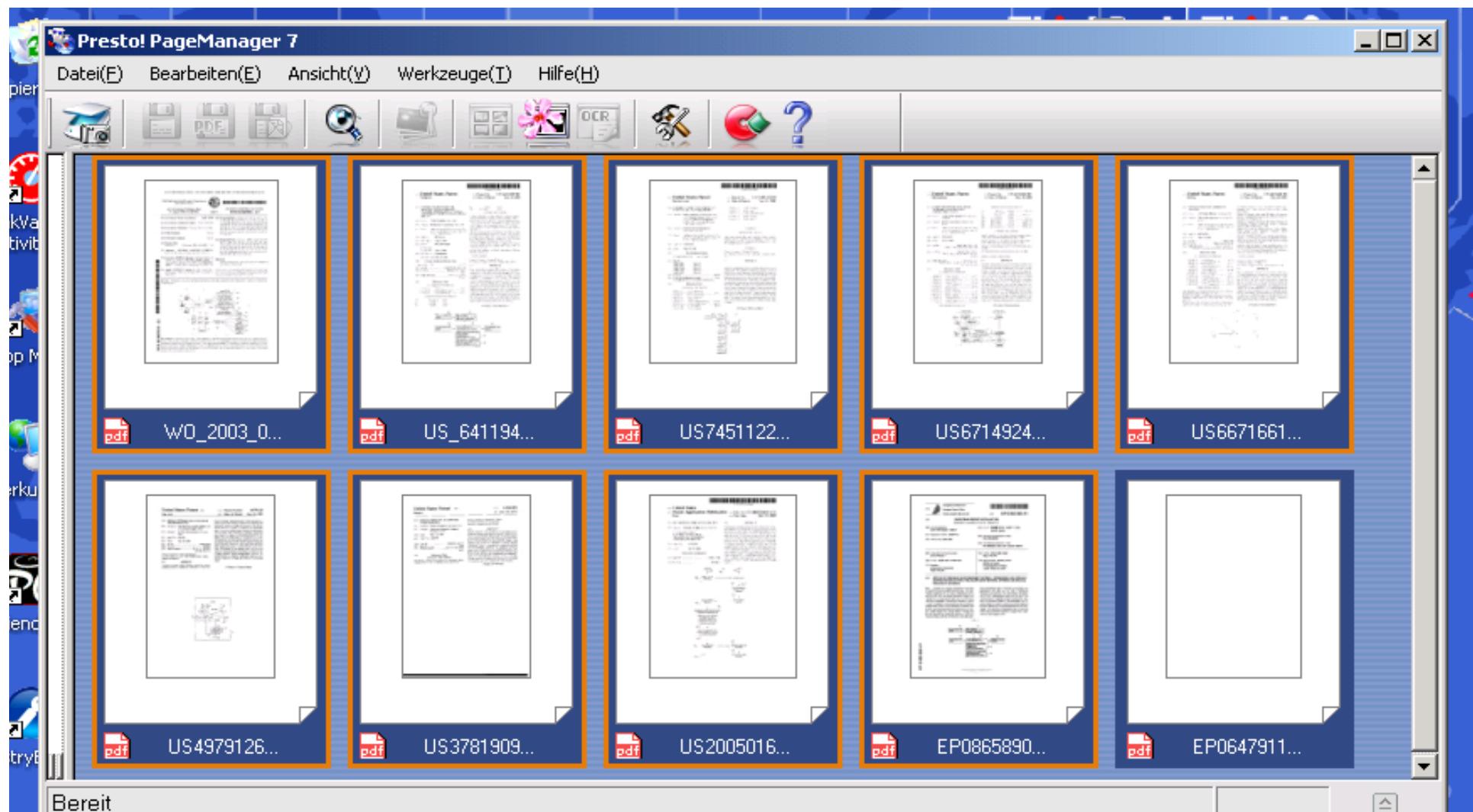
⊕ Question:

- ⊕ Why we can hardly take Compound Databases as working capital,
Saving time and effort in our daily work?
 - ⊕ Avoiding reinvention
 - ⊕ Increase our compounding knowledge.
 - ⊕ Gaining room for really new ideas in compound development

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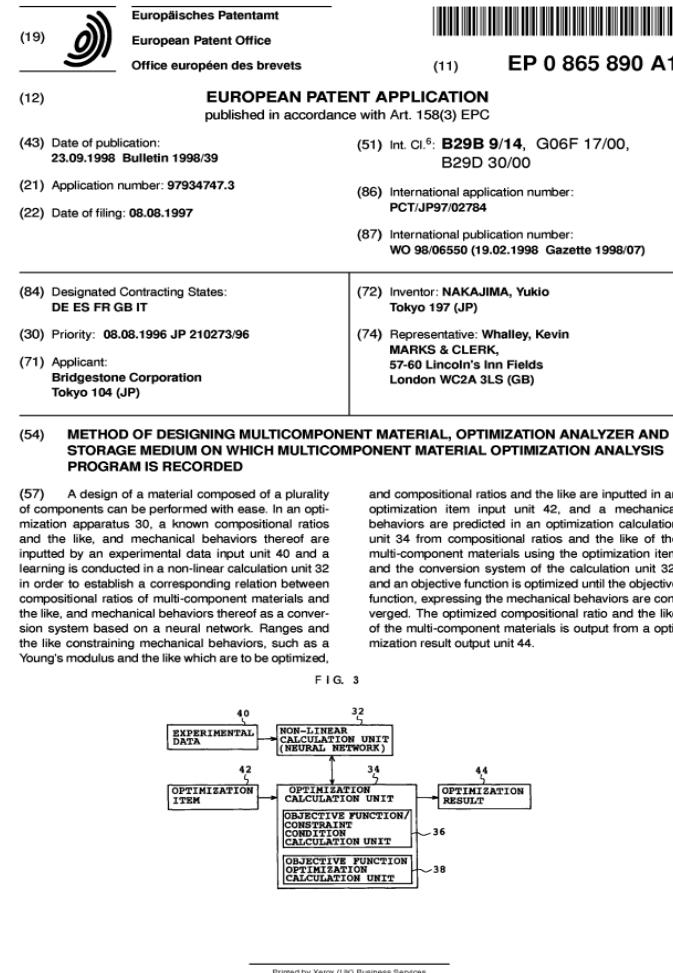
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- ✚ Patent EP 0865 890 A1 (Bridgestone) is dealing with compounds used in tire manufacturing
 - ✚ Dependency of factor – response relationship with none linear regression equation.
 - ✚ Usage of a function to determine boundary conditions.
 - ✚ Identification of a compound with targeted properties.



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- ✚ The patent US 7541122B2 (Fa. Honeywell) deal with „empirical“ DoE with the help of neuronal network algorithm
- ✚ Database from historical compound data
- ✚ Elimination of faulty data sets out of the data base
- ✚ Calculation of a compound with the help of none linear neuronal network algorithm
- ✚ Building of a equation for the simulation of the correlation between factors (compound ingredients) and responses (properties).



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(54) **EMPIRICAL DESIGN OF EXPERIMENTS USING NEURAL NETWORK MODELS**

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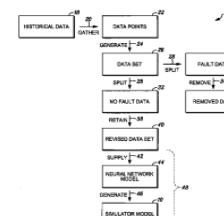
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Methods and apparatus are provided pertaining to a design of experiments. The method comprises generating a data set from historical data; identifying and removing any fault data points in the data set so as to create a revised data set; supplying the data points from the revised data set into a nonlinear neural network model; and deriving a simulator model characterizing a relationship between the input variables and the output variables. The apparatus comprises means for generating a data set from historical data; means for identifying and removing any fault data points in the data set so as to create a revised data set; means for supplying the data points from the revised data set into a nonlinear neural network model; and means for deriving a simulator model characterizing a relationship between the input variables and the output variables.

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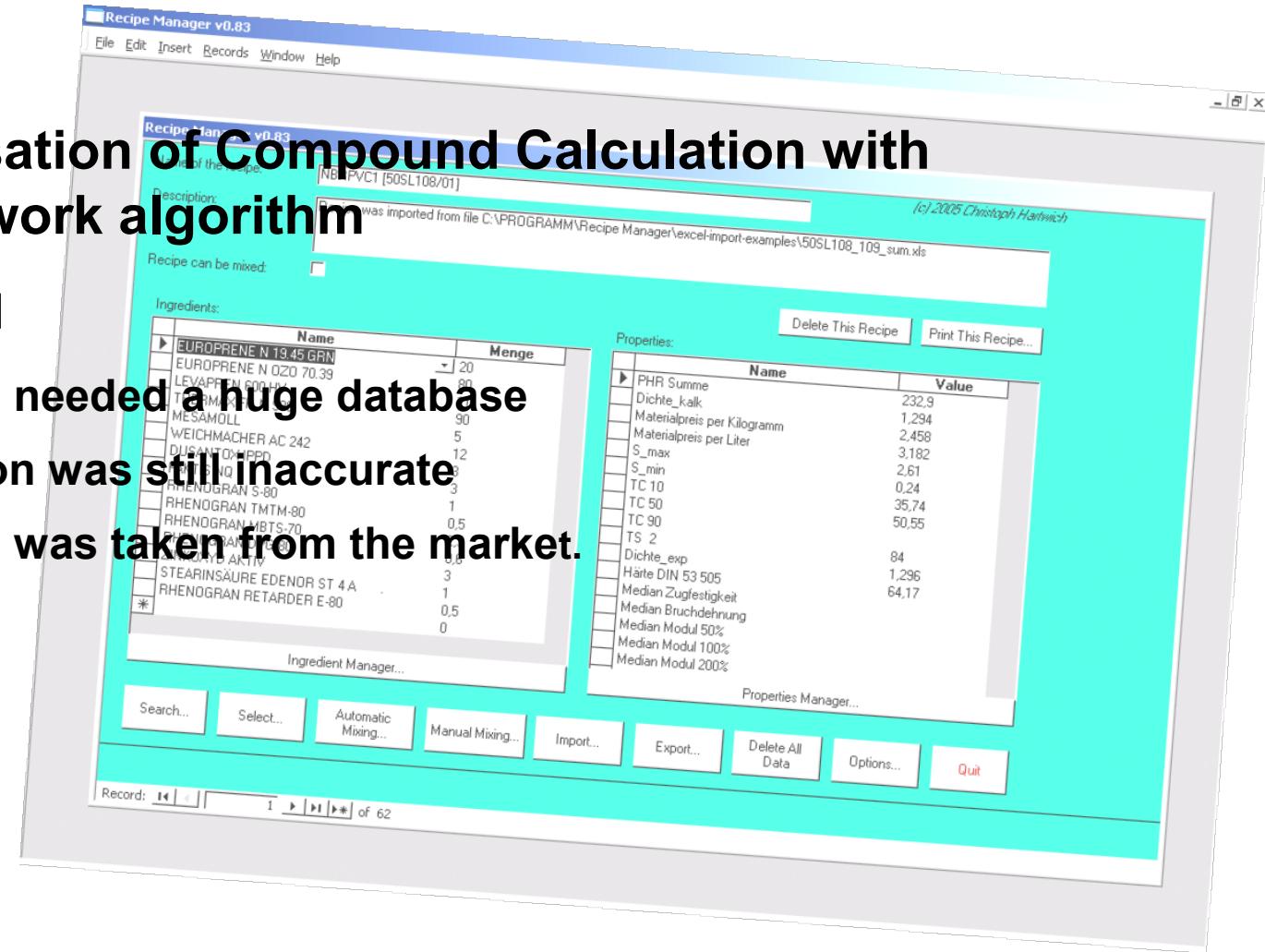
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- + Commerzialisierung of Compound Calculation with neuronal network algorithm

+ CAD-CHEM

- + Program needed a huge database
- + Prediction was still inaccurate
- + Program was taken from the market.



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→ Statistic Experimental Design (DoE) allows a factor – response calculation with regression equations

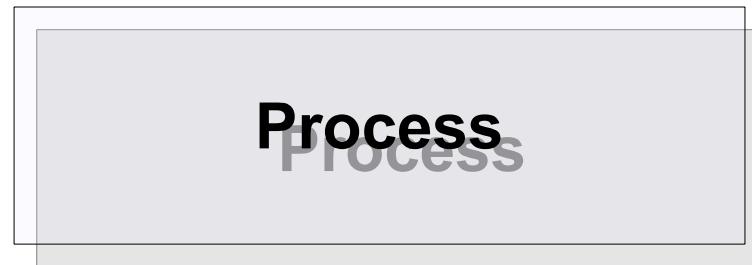
Influences:

Factors are varied

F_1 →

F_2 →

F_3 →



Effects:

Responses are measured

→ R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n

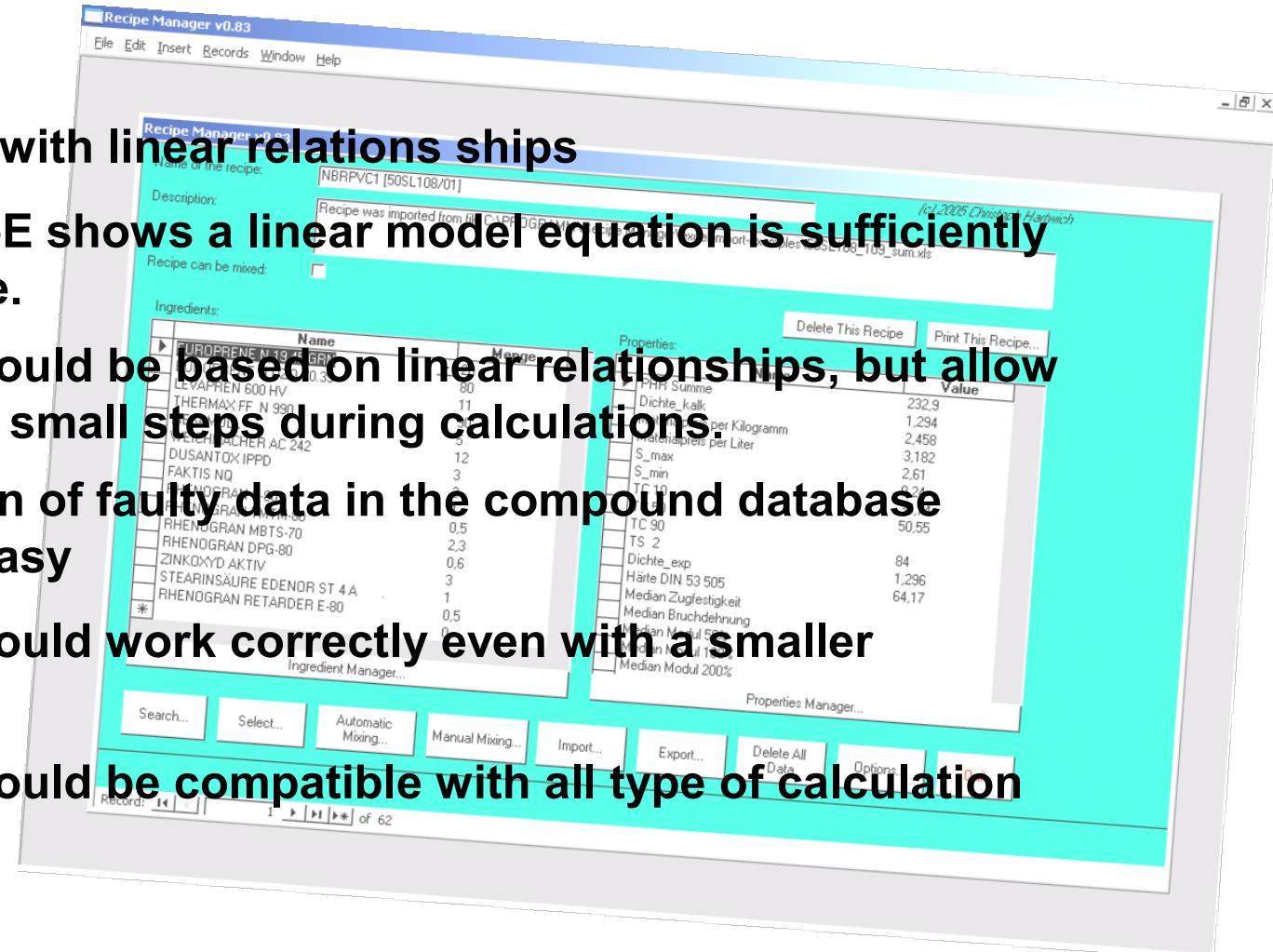
- ✚ Objective of the Experiment should be the identification of the most important factors (F_1, \dots, F_n), to be able to measure Effects (Responses R_1, \dots, R_n) and to describe there dependency in a mathematical equation:

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

Design Guide for GrafCompounder

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- ⊕ Calculation with linear relationships
 - ⊕ Most DoE shows a linear model equation is sufficiently accurate.
 - ⊕ Math should be based on linear relationships, but allow multiple small steps during calculations.
- ⊕ Identification of faulty data in the compound database should be easy
- ⊕ Program should work correctly even with a smaller database
- ⊕ Program should be compatible with all type of calculation programs



Description of GrafCompounder

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⊕ GrafCompounder

The screenshot shows the GrafCompounder version 1.001 software interface. On the left, there's a large table titled 'Input data' containing 'Recipes' for various ingredients like NR (SMR - 10), N330, CaCO3, etc. Below this is another table for 'Properties'. In the center, there's a 'Criteria' section with columns for 'From', 'To', 'Weight', and 'Trdoff'. To the right, the 'Output' section displays a table for 'Mixture1' with columns for 'From', 'To', 'Weight', and 'Trdoff'. At the bottom, there's a 'Recipe ratios in %:' row with values 5, 11, 44.75, 6.25, 12, 13, 8, and a 'Sum of recipe ratios (should be 100%): 100'.

- ⊕ Table calculation software
- ⊕ Based on Java
- ⊕ Import / Export function for communication
- ⊕ Allows automatic mixing of compounds and manual mixing
- ⊕ Calculates property data
- ⊕ Shows data composition of the result
- ⊕ Import / Export of result

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- ✚ **Analysis of a recipe database with Multiple Linear Iteration (MLI)**
 - ✚ Search criteria manageable with different weights!
 - ✚ Recipe Selection (Exclusion of unwanted recipes during analysis)
 - ✚ Avoid Analysis of none compatible Polymers
 - ✚ Automatic an Manual Mode
 - ✚ Simulation of Blends of Compounds
 - ✚ Property Data should be from a trustworthy source, if not your own

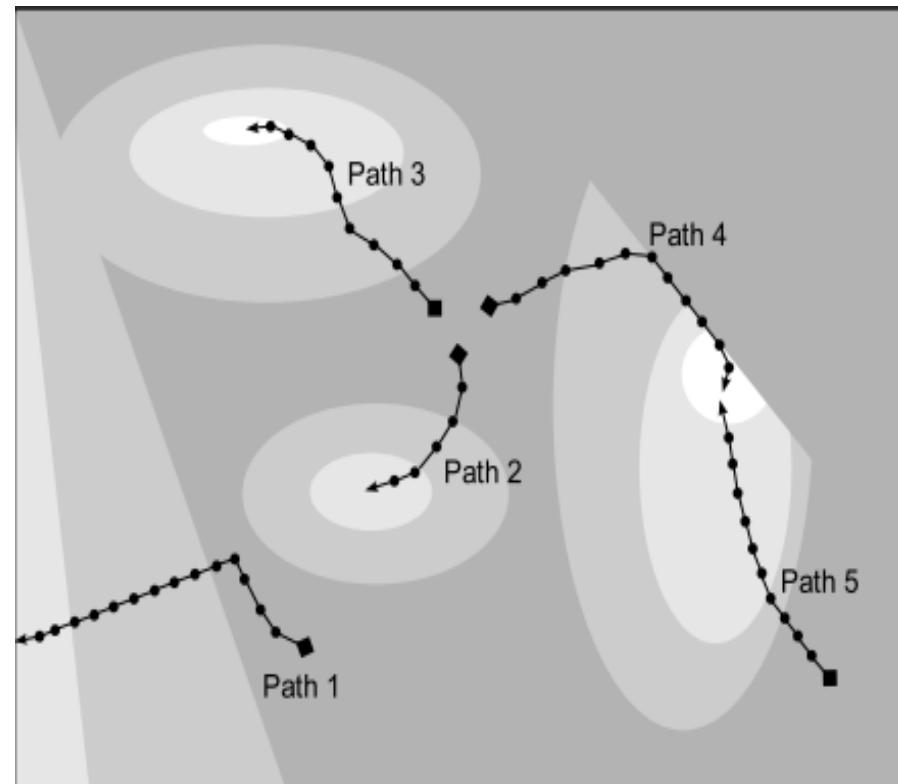
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- + Analysis based on
 - Measurables
 - Targets
 - Weights
 - Rating functions shows the distance between values and target
 - Iteration in small steps from different starting points
 - Check of maximum agreement with the target

- + Report of Results
 - Recipe
 - All calculable physical properties
 - Missing data left out
 - Show all Recipes with their percentage used in an analysis



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- ✚ Working with the GrafCompounder
 - ✚ Create a table by copy/paste from Design Expert®
 - ✚ Assign titles to the rows and columns with:
 - ✚ Recipes:
 - ✚ Ingredients:
 - ✚ Properties:

	Recipes:		
Ingredients:	CMPD1	CMPD2	CMPD3
Properties:			
xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx
xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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- ✚ Testing the MLI-method a database is needed, which can be analyzed in different ways.
 - ✚ 1. Example
 - ✚ Oil / Filler DoE (with own Experiments)
 - ✚ Factors: Filler 1, Filler 2, Filler3 and Oil
 - ✚ 2. Example
 - DoE published by DuPont Dow in 1998
 - ✚ Factors: ENB, DTDC, S, MBT, TiTBD, ZdiBC, DTP
- ✚ Same Optimization criteria will be used in DoE Software (Design Expert®) and in GrafCompounder.

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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- + **1. Example**
 - + **Oil / Filler DoE (based on own experiments)**
 - + **Factors: Filler 1, Filler 2, Filler 3 and Oil**

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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- ✚ DoE with 4 Factors

Polymer used was Vistalon 8600

✚ Factor	Name	Units	Minimum	Maximum
✚ 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

- ✚ A fractional factorial DoE with 11 compounds only!

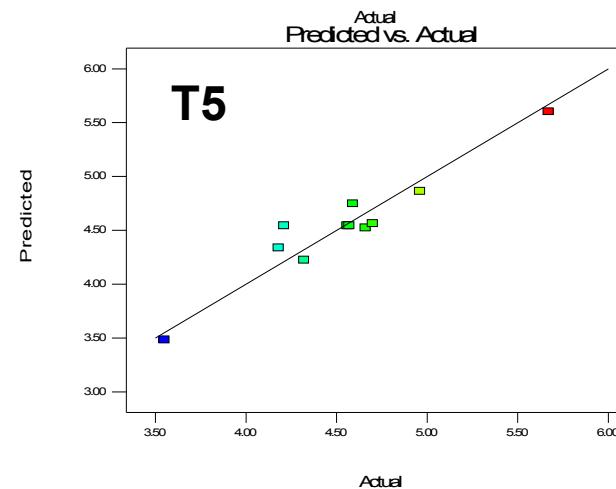
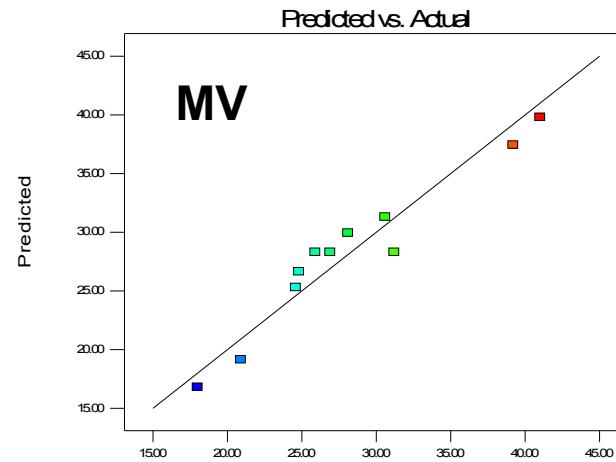
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- ✚ Rheological Data are examined

- ✚ MV and T5 can be measured quite accurate.

Both are significant with a linear model equation



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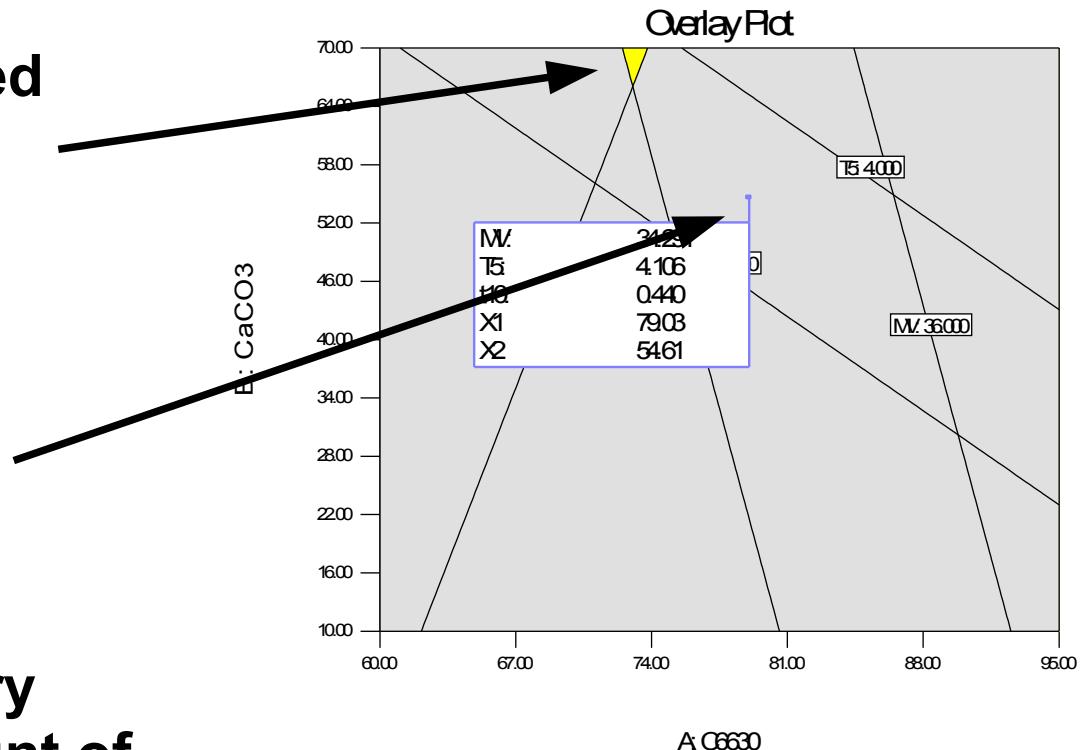
Ingredients	Unit	DoE Optimization	GrafCompounder
CB 6630	phr	73	79
CaCO3	phr	68	55
Clay	phr	39	39.5
Paraffinic Oil	phr	72	73
MV 120	MU	34	34.9
T5 (120°C)	min	4.04	4.2
t10 (170°C)	min	0.45	0.44

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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- + Optimization area calculated with Design Expert
- + Solution given by GrafCompounder
- + With an additional boundary condition: take same amount of CB 6630 similar to Optimization Value in Design Expert



Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

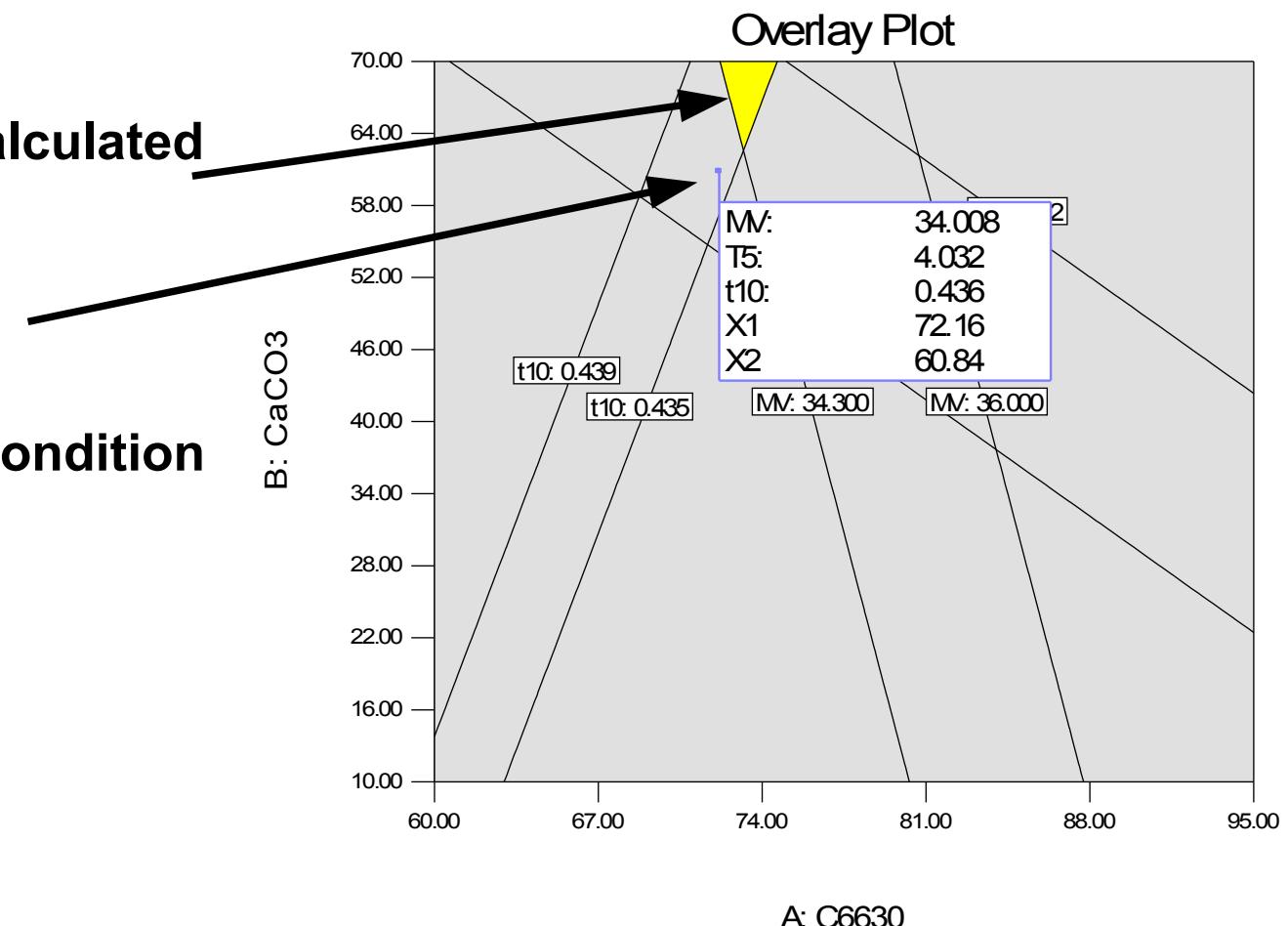
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Ingredients	Unit	DoE Optimization	GrafCompounder
CB 6630	phr	73	73
CaCO3	phr	68	61
Clay	phr	39	32
Paraffinic Oil	phr	72	70
MV 120	MU	34	34.1
T5 (120°C)	min	4.04	4.1
t10 (170°C)	min	0.45	0.45

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



Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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Ingredients	Unit	DoE Optimization	GrafCompounder	DoE Point Prediction
CB 6630	phr	73	73	73
CaCO3	phr	68	61	61
Clay	phr	39	32	32
Paraffinic Oil	phr	72	70	70
MV 120	MU	34	34.1	34.2 ± 3
T5 (120°C)	min	4.04	4.1	4.01 ± 0.25
t10 (170°C)	min	0.45	0.45	0.43 ± 0.07

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

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- ✚ What we have learned
 - ✚ Calculation with GrafCompounder and optimization result with Design Expert has some characteristic differences
 - ✚ GrafCompounder gives always one solution
 - ✚ Design Expert provides an area, where you can identify a solution
 - ✚ With an additional boundary condition both solutions can be narrowed, that they fit into 95% confidence interval and measurement error of test methods for the responses.

Comparison DoE versus GrafCompounder

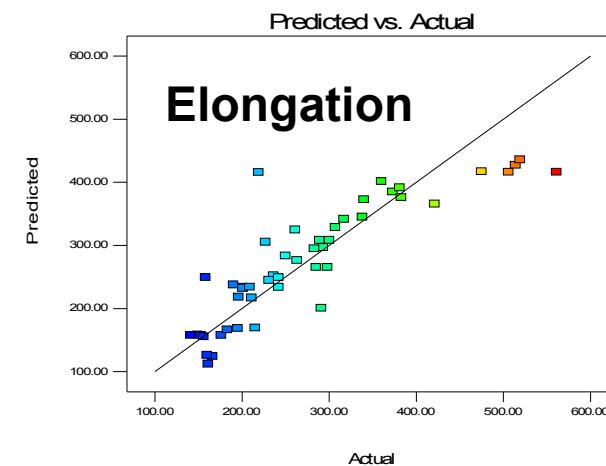
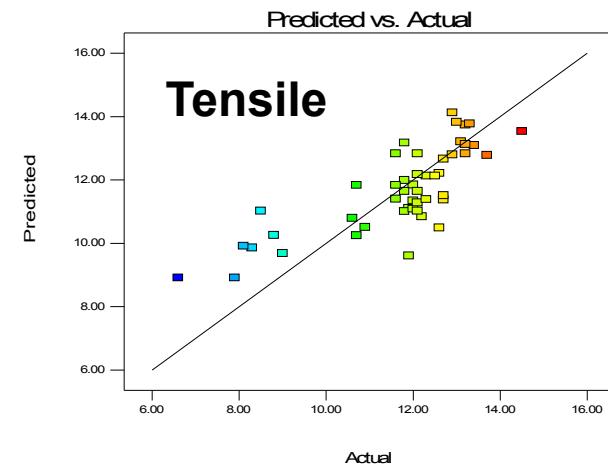
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- ⊕ 2. Example
- ⊕ DoE published by DuPont Dow in 1998
 - ⊕ Factors: ENB, DTDC, S, MBT, TiTBD, ZdiBC, DTP
 - ⊕ DoE with 41 Experiments

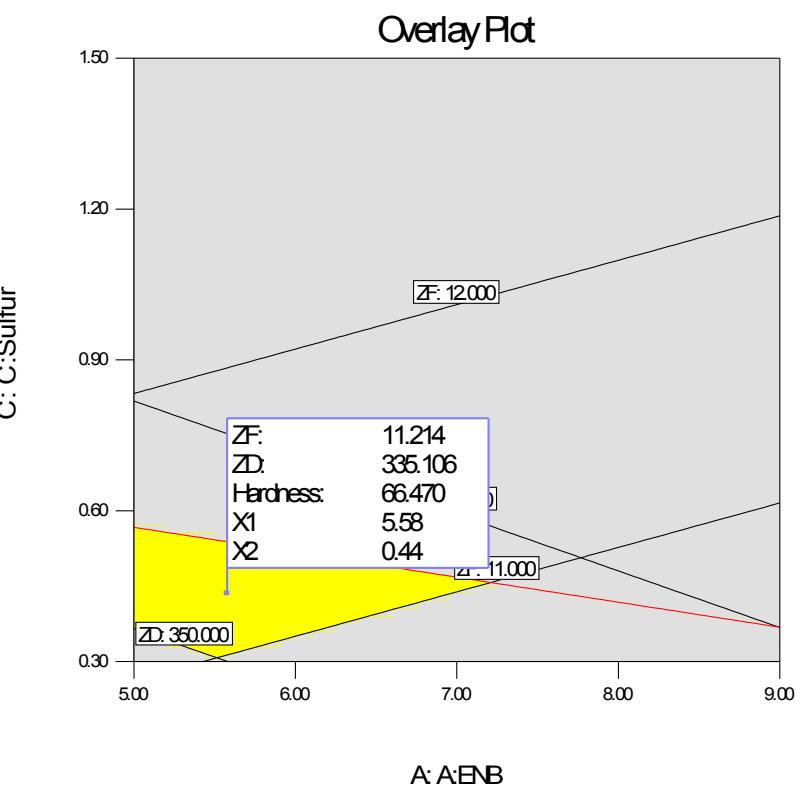
DoE Analysis and Result

- ✚ Tensile at break is significant with linear model
 - ✚ Sulfur has larger influence followed by DTDC and TiBTD, but negative
- ✚ Elongation is significant with quadratic model, but linear model is a sufficient fit
 - ✚ Sulfur has the largest influence followed by DTDC
 - ✚ Hardness is sufficient significant with linear model as well
 - ✚ Main influence Sulfur, DTDC



DoE Analysis and Result

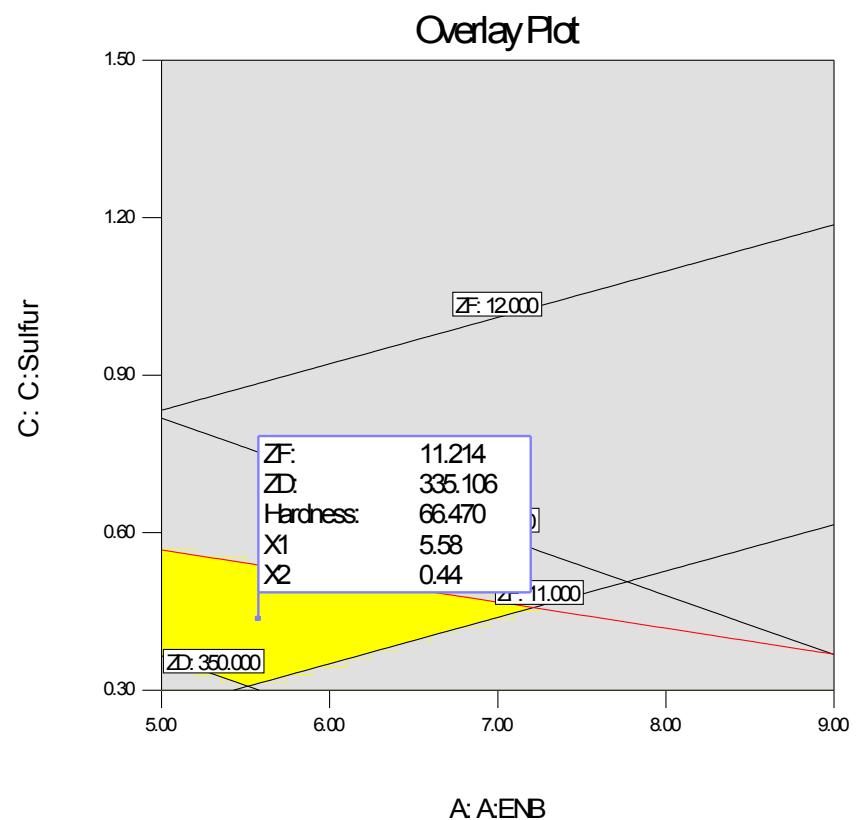
- ⊕ Selection of responses for the test with graphical optimization:
 - ⊕ Hardness
 $65^{\circ}\text{ShA} - 70^{\circ}\text{ShA}$
 - ⊕ Tensile at break
 $11\text{ MPa} - 12 \text{ MPa}$
 - ⊕ Elongation of Break
 $350 \% - 400 \%$
- ⊕ Flag points to one solution



DoE Analysis and Result

- Factor values giving this result

- ENB: 5,58%
- Sulfur – 0.44 phr
- DTDC – 2.11 phr
- MBT – 1.00 phr
- TiBTD – 1.50 phr
- ZdiBC – 1.50 phr
- DTP – 1.50 phr



DoE Analysis and Result

- + **Analysis with point prediction results:**
 - + ZF 11.2 MPa
 - + ZD 335 %
 - + Hardness 66.5°ShA

Factor	Name	Level
A	ENB	5.58
B	DTDC	2.11
C	Sulfur	0.44
D	MBT	1.00
E	TiBD	1.50
F	ZDiBC	1.50
G	DTP	1.50

Analysis with GrafCompounder

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- ✚ Paste table into Graf Compounder
- ✚ Select boundaries

The screenshot shows the GrafCompounder version 1.001 software interface. The main window displays a table of input data and properties. The table has two sections: 'Recipes:' and 'Properties:'. The 'Recipes:' section contains data for various ingredients like Nordel IP 4, Zinc Oxide, Stearic Acid, etc., across different cure conditions (cure Pro 1 to 9). The 'Properties:' section lists various physical properties such as Mooney Peak, ML1+4, Nm, min, fc90, Nm, MPa, M100, ZF, %ZD, Shore A Hardness, CS 24/100, CS 24/125, 24hr/150C, Rebound, unit, and MPa. On the right side of the interface, there are 'Criteria:' and 'Output:' sections, and a vertical stack of colored bars representing different mixtures. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Number format', 'Import input data from clipboard', 'Auto mix (overwrite mixture)', and 'Auto mix (new mixture)'. The status bar at the bottom right shows battery level at 98%.

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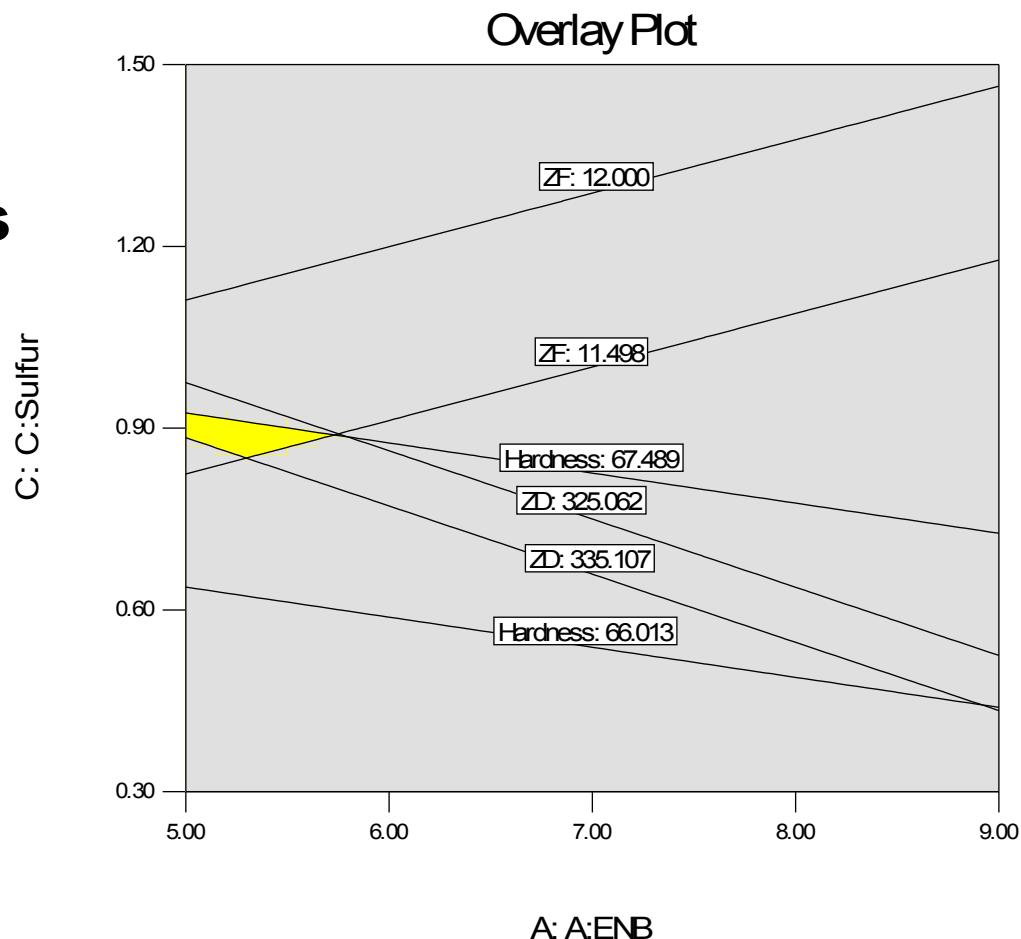
- ✚ Paste table into GrafCompounder
 - ✚ Select boundaries
 - ✚ ZF-MPa : 11.5-12.0
 - ✚ ZD-% : 325-335
 - ✚ H-°ShA : 65-67

Ingredients	Result
A: ENB	6.5
B:DTDC	0.98
C:Sulfur	0.93
D:MBT	1
E:TiBTD	1.51
F:ZDiBC	1.33
G:DTP	1.45
ZF	11.5
ZD	325
Hardness	67

Analysis with Design Expert®

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- ✚ Run Optimization Graphical
 - ✚ Select same boundaries
 - ✚ ZF-MPa : 11.5-12.0
 - ✚ ZD-% : 325-335
 - ✚ H-°ShA : 65-67



Compare Result Design Expert® vs GrafCompounder

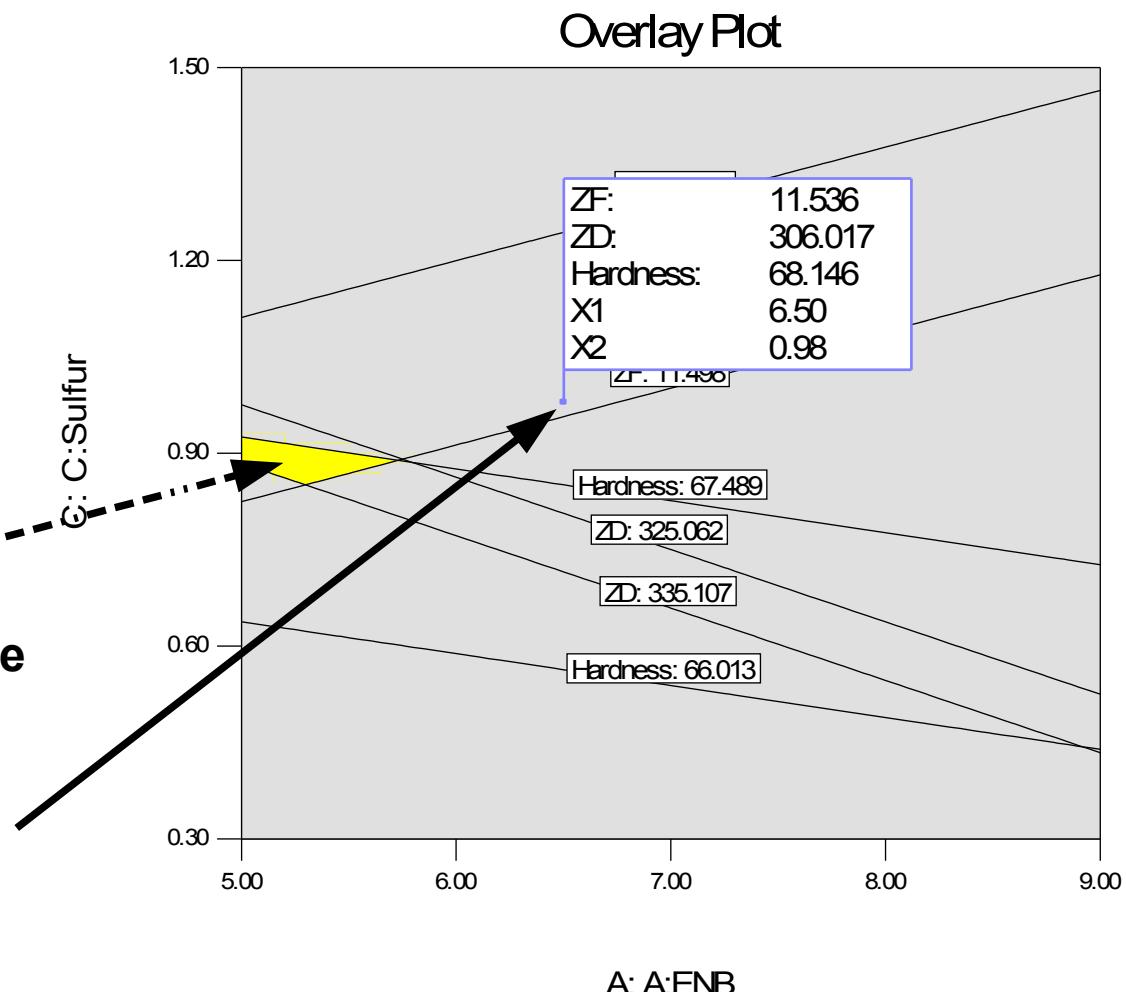
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Boundary Conditions

- 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.



Analysis with GrafCompounder

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- + **Boundary Conditions**
 - + **Select boundaries**
 - + **ZF-MPa : 11.5-12.0**
 - + **ZD-% : 325-335**
 - + **H-°ShA : 65-67**

Ingredients	Result GrafCompounder	Result 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

+) Note: Accelerators are preset!

Conclusion

- ⊕ Compounds in databases are type of happenstance data
 - ⊕ Which can not analyzed with a systematic approach today
 - ⊕ DoE in each case needs data based on a planned experiment.
- ⊕ GrafComounder allows to search a database for a possible solution using targets
 - ⊕ At minimum you get an very good idea about the center point in a DoE