

Advantage of Compound Development with the "GraFCompounder"

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Consulting

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

Cost of Recipe Development in a Laboratory
~ 500 US\$/Recipe
= Invest of 500.000 US\$/year

*) personal Estimation

➔ 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

➔ Advantages of Multiple Linear Iteration

- ➔ GRAFCompounder enables to analyze any compound database and
- ➔ Calculates a compound recipe with its properties predicted

Statistic Experimental Design [DoE] allows a Factor - Response Calculation with regression equations

Influential Factors are varied → Effects Responses are measured

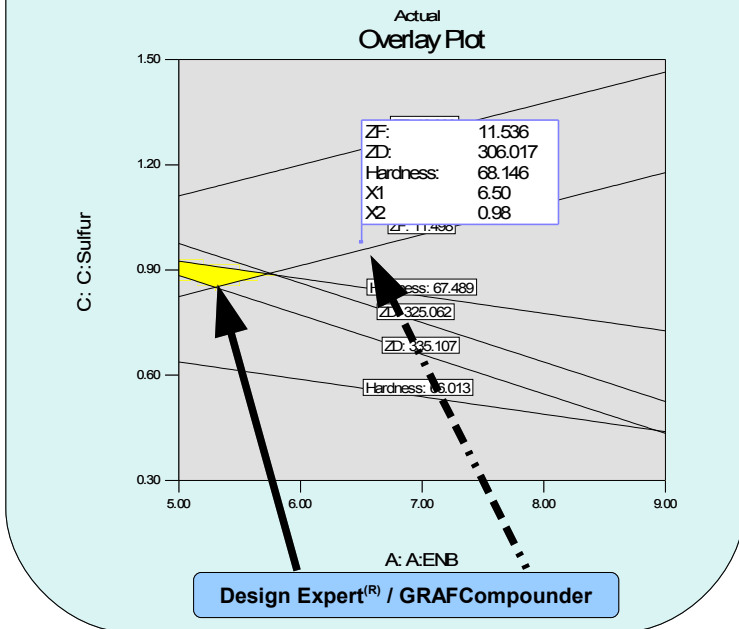
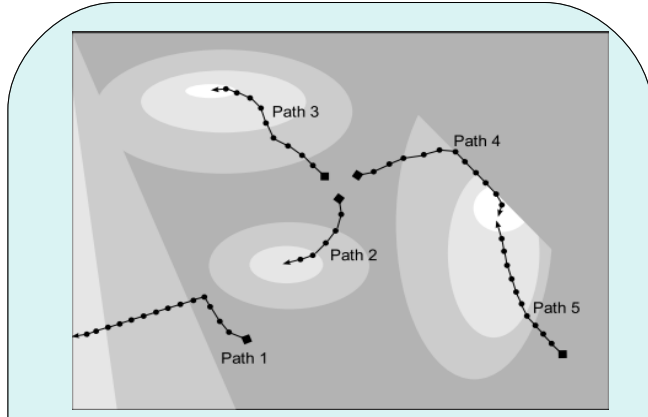
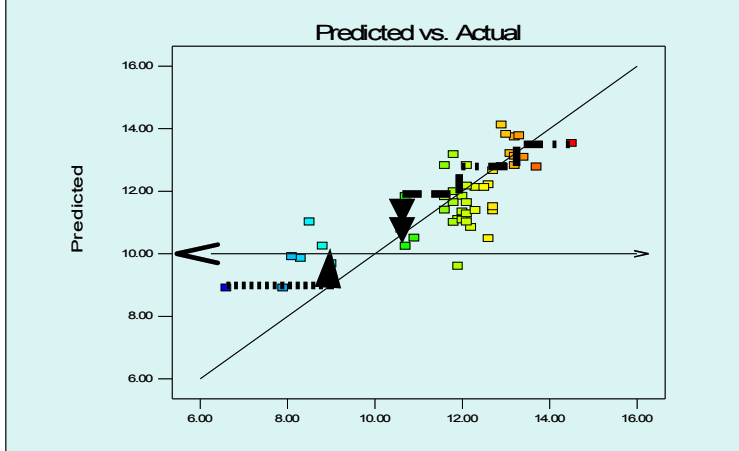
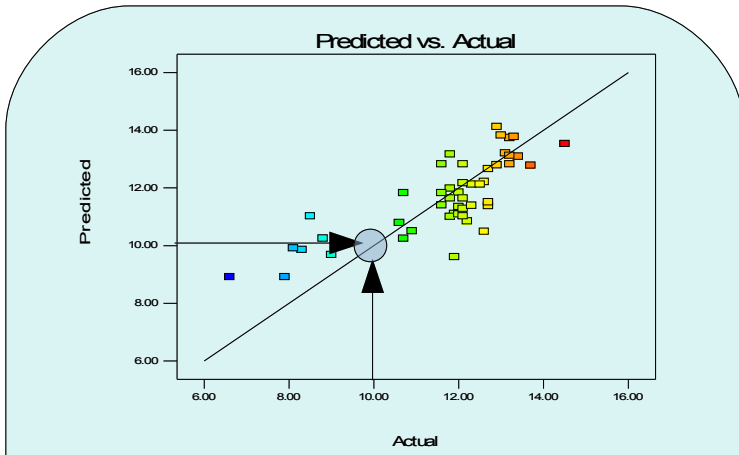
F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n → **Compound** → R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n

Objective of the Experiment should be the identification of the most important factors (F_1, \dots, F_n) to be linked with measured effects (Responses R_1, \dots, R_n) and to describe their dependency in a mathematical equation.:

$$R_{i(1...n)} = f(A_0 + A_1F_1 + \dots + A_nF_n + \dots)$$

A dataset of organized Data / Result pairs is achieved, which allows further evaluation and investigation

Compound Database = unorganized Data Impossible to Analyze with Regression



With „Multiple Linear Iteration“ [MLI] one can analyze unorganized, happenstance data, which is impossible with regression, neither linear or none-linear regression.

The Analysis is based on

- Ingredients and Properties of Compound
- Targets
- Weights
- Rating Functions, which shows the distances between Values and targets
- Iteration in small steps from starting points
- Check of best agreement between conflicting targets

Report of result:

- One recipe with its properties
- Ratios of recipes used for the calculated compound

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