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Design of Experiments for R & D

This course emphasizes issues of practical importance to those who use Design of Experiment (DOE) methodologies in the R&D or production environment. It is intended for scientists, engineers, and technicians who would like an understanding of DOE concepts and the practical challenges that can arise when incorporating them into one’s experimental practices. The basic introduction to DOE and discussion of fundamental assumptions will be useful to those unfamiliar with DOE concepts. The discussion of complications and examples of how they can be addressed will be useful to those who are experienced with DOE and are interested in achieving better results from applying DOE principles. Managers of groups involved in R&D and production will find the material helpful in their efforts to support the work in their groups.

- Underlying assumptions of DOE
- DOE designs for screening factors
- DOE designs for modeling responses
- Response surface forms – the twisted plane, saddles, and domes
- Complications that arise – when is a factor not really a factor?
- More complications - dealing with non-linear responses
- Simulated experimental examples
  - screening factors
  - modeling responses
- Plasma web treatment example
  - determining a suitable process factor space
  - redefining the factor space using plasma diagnostics
  - applying a physical model of the modification process

Meet the Instructor

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