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ABdesign	<i>Sample size determination for A + B escalation design without dose de-escalation</i>
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**Description**

Determination of sample size for each dose level using A + B escalation design without dose de-escalation

**Usage**

```
ABdesign(A, B, C, D, E, prop=c())
```

**Arguments**

A	Number patients at the dose level i
B	Number of patients add at the dose level i when more than D number of patients have DLT
C	Predetermined number patients out of A.
D	Predetermined number patients out of A and $D \geq C$
E	Predetermined number patients out of A+B and $E \geq D$
prop	Vector of DLT rates at different dose level

**Details**

Let there are "A" patients at the dose level "i" and also consider "C" and "D" as predetermined value where ( $D \geq C$ ).

If less than C patients have DLTs out of A patients then we escalate the dose at (i+1)th level and if more than D have the DLT's out of A then we consider the previous dose level (i-1)th as MTD(maximum dose level with toxicity rates occurring no more than a predetermined value).

If more than C and less than D patients have DLTs then we add B more patients at the ith dose level and then if more than E ( $E \geq D$ ) out of (A+B) patients have the DLTs then we consider the previous dose level as MTD.

Now we are going to determine the expected number of sample size at the jth dose level.

# prop = Vector of DLT rates at different dose level

# n = Total number of doses

# N = Vector of expected number of patients at different level of doses

**Value**

The expected number of patients at dose levels

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**See Also**

crt.match crt.unmatch phsize precsiz

**Examples**

```
# This is A+B escalation design without dose de-escalation. Here A=3 , B=3 indicates the
# number of patients at the dose level i and taking C=D=E=1 the predetermined number of
# patients with DLT. Prop indicates the vector of the DLT rates at different dose level.

ABdesign(A = 3,B = 3,C = 1,D = 1,E = 1,prop= c(0.01,0.014,0.025,0.056,0.177,0.594,0.963))
```

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csize

*Sample size determination for crossover study design*

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**Description**

Determination of sample sizes for two factors of each group using one of the tests for equality, non-inferiority/superiority or equivalence

**Usage**

```
csize(type, delta, m, k, mur, mut, sigbr, sigbt, rho, sigwr, sigwt,
      alpha, beta, r1, r2)
```

**Arguments**

type	The three different types of tests are (1) test for equality, (2) test for non-inferiority/ superiority, (3) test for equivalence i.e. type = c("equal", "non-inf.sup", "equiv")
delta	Non-inferiority/Superiority margin
m	Number of responses observed from each subject in each sequence under a fixed treatment
k	Ratio of the sample sizes of the two sequences
mur	Mean value of reference therapy
mut	Mean value of test therapy
sigbr	Between standard deviation due to the effect of reference therapy
sigbt	Between standard deviation due to the effect of test therapy
rho	Correlation between reference and test therapy
sigwr	Within standard deviation due to the effect of reference therapy

sigwt	Within standard deviation due to the effect of test therapy
alpha	Level of significance
beta	The probability of type-II error
r1	Proportion of factor-1
r2	Proportion of factor-2

### Details

Consider a 2x2m replicated crossover design for comparing mean responses of a test drug and a reference drug. Under both treatments the design consists of two sequences with m subjects each.

### Value

crsize returns the required sample sizes for each sequence and their factors in a 2x2 contingency table.

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### See Also

ABdesign crt.match crt.unmatch phsize precsiz

### Examples

```
# (a) Test for equality:
```

```
# This is a crossover design. The type = "equal" tests the equality of mean responses of
# a test drug (mut = 9) and a reference drug (mur = 8.5) and the number of responses are
# m = 4 observed from each subject in each sequence. k = 1 indicates the ratio of the
# sample sizes of the two sequences are equal. The between standard deviation due to the
# effect of reference therapy is sigbr = 1.5 and that of test therapy is 1.5. The corre-
# lation between reference and test therapy is rho = 0.7. The within standard deviation
# due to the effect of reference therapy is sigwr = 1 as well as test therapy is sigwt =
# 1. The alpha = 0.05 is level of significance and the probability of type - II error is
# beta = 0.10. The proportion of factor - 1 and factor - 2 are taken to be r1 = 0.5 and
# r2 = 0.5 respectively.
```

```
crsize(type= "equal", delta = 0.4, m = 4, k = 1, mur = 8.5, mut = 9, sigbr = 1.5,
      sigbt = 1.5, rho = 0.7, sigwr = 1, sigwt = 1, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.10,
      r1 = 0.5, r2 = 0.5)
```

```
# (b) Test for non-inferiority/superiority:
```

```
# This is a crossover design. The type = "noninf.sup", tests whether the difference of
# mean responses of a test drug (mut = 9) and a reference drug (mur = 8.5) being greater
```

```
# than or equal to the marginal value delta = 0.4. The number of responses are m = 4,
# observed from each subject in each sequence. The value of k = 1 indicates the ratio of
# the sample sizes of the two sequences are equal. The between standard deviation due to
# the effect of reference therapy is sigbr = 1.5 and that of test therapy is 1.5. The
# correlation between reference and test therapy is rho = 0.7. The within standard devi-
# ation due to the effect of reference therapy is sigwr = 1, as well as test therapy is
# sigwt = 1. A alpha = 0.05 is the level of significance and the probability of type-II
# error is beta = 0.10. The proportion of factor-1 (r1) and factor-2 (r2) both are taken
# to be 0.5.
```

```
crsize(type = "noninf.sup", delta = 0.4, m = 4, k = 1, mur = 8.5, mut = 9, sigbr = 1.5,
      sigbt = 1.5, rho = 0.7, sigwr = 1, sigwt = 1, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.10,
      r1 = 0.5, r2 = 0.5)
```

```
 #(c) Test for equivalence:
```

```
# This is a crossover design. The type = "equiv" tests whether the absolute value of the
# difference of mean responses of a test drug (mut = 9) and a reference drug (mur = 8.5)
# being less than or equal to the marginal value delta = 0.6. The number of responses
# are m = 4 observed from each subject in each sequence. k = 1, indicates that the ratio
# of the sample sizes of the two sequences are equal. The between standard deviation due
# to the effect of reference therapy is sigbr = 1.5 and that of test therapy is 1.5. The
# correlation between reference and test therapy is rho = 0.7. The within standard devi-
# ation due to the effect of reference therapy is sigwr = 1 as well as test therapy is
# sigwt = 1. alpha = 0.05 is the level of significance and the probability of type - II
# error is beta = 0.10. The proportion of factor-1 (r1) and factor-2 (r2) both are taken
# to be 0.5.
```

```
crsize(type = "equiv", delta = 0.6, m = 4, k = 1, mur = 8.5, mut = 9, sigbr = 1.5,
      sigbt = 1.5, rho = 0.7, sigwr = 1, sigwt = 1, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.10,
      r1 = 0.5, r2 = 0.5)
```

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crt.match

*Cluster numbers determination for cluster randomized trails (CRT)  
matched case*

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## Description

Determine the number of clusters need per group for matched cluster randomized trails

## Usage

```
crt.match(type, mu1, mu2, alpha, beta, sig.w, sig.bm, m, k)
```

**Arguments**

type	There are three types of comparison i.e. type = c("M", "P", "IR"), "M" stands for comparison of means "P" stands for comparison of proportions "IR" stands for comparison of incidence rates
mu1	The mean/proportion/incidence rate value of the 1st group
mu2	The mean/proportion/incidence rate value of the 2nd group
alpha	Level of significance
beta	The probability of type-II error
sig.w	Standard deviation of within cluster
sig.bm	Standard deviation of between cluster
m	Number of subject in each cluster which is person-years in the case of incidence rates
k	Common value of the coefficient of variation for each group

**Details**

In cluster-randomized trials (CRTs), matching is a technique that can be used to improve covariate balance. Matching protects against chance imbalances in baseline covariate distributions and is thought to improve study credibility. Matching is also implemented to increase study power. Pairs of similar clusters are formed and then one cluster from the pair is randomized to group 1 while the other is assigned to group 2. Now we are going to determine the number of cluster in each group.

**Value**

crt.match returns a value indicating the number of clusters needed per group

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**See Also**

ABdesign crt.unmatch expsize phsize precsiz prsize crsize

**Examples**

```
# (a) Comparison of means:

# This is a matched cluster randomized trials. The type = "M" indicates the comparison of
# means. The mean responses of a test group is mu1 = 0.06 and a reference group is mu2 =
# 0.4. The standard deviation of within cluster and between cluster are sig.w = 0.69 and
# sig.bm = 0.224 respectively, m = 20 indicates number of subject in each cluster. alpha
# = .05 is the level of significance and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.10.

crt.match(type="M",mu1=0.6,mu2=0.4,alpha=0.05,beta=0.20,sig.w=0.69,sig.bm=0.224,m=20)
```

```

# (b) Comparison of proportions:

# This is a matched cluster randomized trials. Where type = "P" indicates the tests for
# comparison of proportions. The proportion of a test group is mu1 = 0.01 and a reference
# group is mu2 = 0.0075. The Standard deviation of between cluster is sig.bm=0.224 and m
# = 2750 indicates number of subject in each cluster, alpha = 0.05 is the level of signi-
# ficance and probability of type-II error is beta = 0.10.

crt.match(type="P",mu1=0.01,mu2=0.0075,alpha=0.05,beta=0.10,sig.bm=0.0075,m=2750)

#(c) Comparison of incidence rates:

# This is a matched cluster randomized trials. Where type = "IR" indicates the tests the
# comparison of incidence rates. The incidence rate of a test group is mu1 = 4.5 and for
# reference group is mu2 = 3.6. A total of m = 50 person years is considered, alpha = .05
# is the level of significance and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.10. k=0.3
# indicates the common value of the coefficient of variation for each group.

crt.match(type="IR",mu1=4.5,mu2=3.6,alpha=0.05,beta=0.20,m=50,k=0.3)

```

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crt.unmatch

*Cluster number determination for cluster randomized trails (CRT) un-  
matched case*


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## Description

Determination of number of clusters per group for unmatched cluster randomized trails

## Usage

```

crt.unmatch(type, m, u1, u2, sigma1.B, sigma1.W, sigma2.B, sigma2.W,
            rho1, rho2, alpha, beta)

```

## Arguments

type	There are three different types of comparison i.e. type = c("M", "P", "IR"), "M" stands for comparison of means, "P" stands for comparison of proportions and "IR" stands for comparison of incidence rates
m	A common cluster size
u1	Mean(for M)/proportion(for P)/incidence rate(for IR) of group-1
u2	Mean(for M)/proportion(for P)/incidence rate(for IR) of group-2
sigma1.B	Between-cluster standard deviation of group-1

<code>sigma1.W</code>	Within-cluster standard deviation of group-1
<code>sigma2.B</code>	Between-cluster standard deviation of group-2
<code>sigma2.W</code>	Within-cluster standard deviation of group-2
<code>rho1</code>	Intra-cluster correlation coefficient(ICC) of group-1
<code>rho2</code>	Intra-cluster correlation coefficient(ICC) of group-2
<code>alpha</code>	Level of significance
<code>beta</code>	The probability of type-II error

### Details

Instead of independent individuals, the unit of randomization is a group of subjects in a cluster randomized trial(s) or group randomized trial(s). CRTs are generally more complex and the investigators consider the selection of the unit of randomization and the unit of inference, matching or stratification to improve treatment balance across clusters. It is also well known that CRTs need more subjects than individually randomized trials to be adequately powered.

Under unmatched case, no pair of matching is used to control the balance. The simple randomization technique is generally used.

### Value

`crt.unmatch` returns a value indicating the number of clusters needed per group.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

`ABdesign` `crt.match` `expsize` `phsize` `precsiz` `prsize` `crsize`

### Examples

```
# (a) Comparison of means:

# This is a cluster randomized trials for unmatched cases. The type = "M", indicates the
# comparison of means of two groups taking a common cluster size m = 20. The mean value
# of group-1 and group-2 is u1 = 0.5 and u2 = 0.3 respectively. For group-1, the between
# -cluster standard deviation is sigma1.B = 0.3 and within-cluster standard deviation is
# sigma1.W = 0.3. Similarly, for group-2 those values are sigma2.B=0.3 and sigma2.W=0.3.
# The intra-cluster correlation coefficient (ICC) of group - 1 is rho1 = 0.2 and that of
# group - 2 is rho2 = 0.2. The level of significance is alpha = 0.05 and the probability
# of type-II error is beta = 0.20.

crt.unmatch(type = "M", m = 20, u1 = 0.5, u2 = 0.3, sigma1.B = 0.3, sigma1.W = 0.3,
            sigma2.B = 0.3, sigma2.W = 0.3, rho1 = 0.2, rho2 = 0.2,
            alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```



```
# (b) Comparison of proportions:

# This is a cluster randomized trials for unmatched cases. The type = "P", indicates the
# comparison of proportions of two groups taking a common cluster size m = 20. The prop-
# ortion of group-1 and group-2 is u1 = 0.5 and u2 = 0.3 respectively. For group - 1, the
# between-cluster standard deviation is sigma1.B = 0.3 and within-cluster standard devi-
# ation is sigma1.W = 0.3. Similarly, for group-2 the standard deviations are sigma2.B =
# 0.3 and sigma2.W = 0.3. The intra-cluster correlation coefficient (ICC) of group - 1 is
# rho1 = 0.2 and that of group-2 is rho2 = 0.2. The level of significance is alpha = 0.05
# and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
crt.unmatch(type = "P", m = 20, u1 = 0.5, u2 = 0.3, sigma1.B = 0.3, sigma1.W = 0.3,
            sigma2.B = 0.3, sigma2.W = 0.3, rho1 = 0.2, rho2 = 0.2,
            alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

```
# (c) Comparison of incidence rates:
```

```
# This is a cluster randomized trials for unmatched cases. The type = "IR" indicates the
# comparison of incidence rates of two groups taking a total of m = 20 person-years. The
# incidence rate of group-1 and group-2 is u1 = 0.5 and u2 = 0.3 respectively. For group
# -1, the between-cluster standard deviation is sigma1.B = 0.3 and within-cluster stand-
# ard deviation is sigma1.W = 0.3. Similarly, for group-2 the standard deviations are
# sigma2.B = 0.3 and sigma2.W = 0.3. The intra-cluster correlation coefficient (ICC) of
# group-1 is rho1 = 0.2 and that of group-2 is rho2 = 0.2. The level of significance is
# alpha = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
crt.unmatch(type = "IR", m = 20, u1 = 0.5, u2 = 0.3, sigma1.B = 0.3, sigma1.W = 0.3,
            sigma2.B = 0.3, sigma2.W = 0.3, rho1 = 0.2, rho2 = 0.2,
            alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

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expsize

*Sample size determination for survival data using exponential assumption*

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## Description

Sample size determination for control drug and test drug for time to event outcome using exponential assumption

## Usage

```
expsize(type, k, delta, lambda1, lambda2, sigma1, sigma2,
        sigma.lambda, alpha, beta)
```

**Arguments**

type	There are three different types of comparison tests: (1) test for equality, (2) test for non-inferiority/superiority, (3) test for equivalence, ie. type = c("equal", "noninf.sup", "equiv")
k	Ratio of sample sizes
delta	The superiority or non-inferiority margin
lambda1	Hazard rate of the control drug
lambda2	Hazard rate of the test drug
sigma1	Variability in the hazard rate due to using control drug
sigma2	Variability in the hazard rate due to using test drug
sigma.lambda	Variability in the hazard rate due to combination of control and test drug
alpha	Level of significance
beta	The probability of type-II error

**Details**

Our aim is to determine the sample size based on the hazard rates for median survival times between control drug and test drug. Since, the hazard function is constant for an exponential distribution, the median survival time is determined by the hazard function. Moreover, comparing the hazard rates between the treatment drugs is our hypothesis of interest.

**Value**

expsize returns a sample size for control and test drug intervention.

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**See Also**

ABdesign crt.match crt.unmatch phsize precsiz prsize crsize

**Examples**

```
# (a) Test for equality:

# The exponential assumption is used to determine the sample size with null hypothesis
# that the hazard rates of a test drug and a reference drug are equal i.e.type = "equal".
# The both sample sizes are taken to be equal (k = 1). The hazard rate of control drug
# is lambda1 = 2 and that of test drug is lambda2 = 1. The standard deviation (s.d.) in
# hazard rate due to using control drug & test drug is 0.97 and 3.94 respectively. Their
# combined standard deviation is sigma.lambda = 2.56. The level of significance is alpha
# = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```

expsize(type = "equal", k = 1, delta = 0, lambda1 = 2, lambda2 = 1, sigma1 = 0.97,
        sigma2 = 3.94, sigma.lambda = 2.56, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)

# (b) Test for noninferiority/superiority:

# The exponential assumption is used to determine sample size by testing null hypothesis
# (type = "noninf.sup") that the difference between the hazard rates of a test drug and
# the reference drug is less than or equal to a superiority margin delta = 0.2, where k=1
# indicates both the sample sizes are taken to be equal. The hazard rate of the control
# drug is lambda1 = 2 and that of test drug is lambda2 = 1. The standard deviation in
# hazard rate due to using control drug & test drug is 0.97 and 3.94 respectively. Their
# combined standard deviation is sigma, lambda = 2.56. The level of significance is alpha
# = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.

expsize(type = "noninf.sup", k = 1, delta = 0.2, lambda1 = 2, lambda2 = 1, sigma1 = 0.97,
        sigma2 = 3.94, sigma.lambda = 2.56, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)

# (c) Test for equivalence:

# The exponential assumption is used to determine sample size by testing null hypothesis
# (type = "equiv") that the absolute difference between the hazard rates of a test drug
# and a ref drug is greater than or equal to a superiority margin delta = 0.5, where k = 1
# indicates both the sample sizes are taken to be equal. The hazard rate of the control
# drug is lambda1 = 2 and that of test drug is lambda2 = 1. The standard deviation in
# the hazard rate due to using control drug and test drug is 0.97 and 3.94 respectively.
# Their combined standard deviation is sigma.lambda = 2.56. The level of significance is
# alpha = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.

expsize(type = "equiv", k = 1, delta = 0.5, lambda1 = 2, lambda2 = 1, sigma1 = 0.97,
        sigma2 = 3.94, sigma.lambda = 2.56, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)

```

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phsize

*Sample size determination using proportional hazard assumption*

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### **Description**

Determination of sample sizes of the control drug and the test drug intervention for time to event outcome using proportional hazard assumption.

**Usage**

```
phsize(type, lambda1, lambda2, delta, prop, d, alpha, beta)
```

**Arguments**

type	There are three different types of comparison tests: (1) test for equality, (2) test for non-inferiority/superiority, (3) test for equivalence, ie. type = c("equal", "noninf.sup", "equiv")
lambda1	Hazard rate of the control group
lambda2	Hazard rate of the test group
delta	The inferiority or superiority margin
prop	The proportion of patients in the control group
d	The probability of observing an event
alpha	Level of significance
beta	The probability of type-II error

**Details**

The proportional hazards assumption is used for comparing time to event data where, we assume that the hazard function is the product of two components. One component is the non-parametric part which is generally called baseline hazard and another one is the parametric part. The covariates of this regression model are included in the later component. Because of the combination of parametric and non-parametric components, the model is known as semi-parametric model.

**Value**

phsize returns a sample size for the control and the test drug intervention.

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**See Also**

ABdesign crt.match crt.unmatch precsiz prsize crsize

**Examples**

```
# (a) Test for equality:

# The phsize function determines the sample size using proportional hazards assumption.
# The type = "equal" denotes the two survival curves are equal under the null hypothesis
# and the hazard rate of the control group is lambda1 = 1 and that of the test group is
# lambda2 = 2. The proportion of patients in the control group is prop = 0.5. The proba-
# bility of observing an event is 0.8. The level of significance is alpha = 0.05 and the
# probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
phsize(type = "equal", lambda1 = 1, lambda2 = 2, delta = 0, prop = 0.5,
       d = 0.8, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

```
# (b) Test for non-inferiority/superiority:
```

```
# The phsize function determines the sample size using proportional hazards assumption.
# The type = "noninf.sup" denotes the difference of the two survival curves is less than
# or equal to the marginal value delta = 0.3. The hazard rate of the control group is
# lambda1 = 1 and that of the test group is lambda2 = 2. The proportion of patients in
# the control group is prop = 0.5, the probability of observing a event is 0.8 and level
# of significance is alpha = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
phsize(type = "noninf.sup", lambda1 = 1, lambda2 = 2, delta = 0.3, prop = 0.5,
       d = 0.8, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

```
# (c) Test for equivalence:
```

```
# The phsize function determines the sample size using proportional hazards assumption.
# The type = "equiv", denotes whether absolute value of the differences between the two
# survival curves is greater than or equal to the marginal value delta = 0.5. The hazard
# rate of the control group is lambda1 = 1 and that of the test group is lambda2 = 2, &
# the proportion of patients in control group is prop = 0.5 and the probability of obs-
# erving a event ais 0.8. The level of significance is alpha = 0.05 and the probability
# of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
phsize(type = "equiv", lambda1 = 1, lambda2 = 1, delta = 0.5, prop = 0.5,
       d = 0.8, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

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```
precsize
```

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*Sample size determination using power and precision analysis*

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## Description

It determines the ratio between the sample size of power analysis and precision analysis analysis and also, give the required sample sizes.

## Usage

```
precsize(pR, pT, sigr, sigt, c, alpha, beta)
```

## Arguments

pR	Incidence rate for the reference group
pT	Incidence rate for the test group

sigr	Variability in the reference group
sigt	Variability in the test group
c	Constant value for allowance of maximum error margin
alpha	Level of significance
beta	The probability of type-II error

### Details

A pre-study power analysis for sample size determination is usually performed to calculate an appropriate sample size for achieving a desired power for detecting a clinically meaningful difference at a prespecified level of significance. In practice, a much larger sample size is expected for detecting a relatively smaller difference, especially for clinical trials with extremely low incidence rate. As a result, sample size determination based on power analysis may not be feasible. So, it is a good suggestion to determine the sample size based on precision analysis.

### Value

precsize returns 3 values:

**R** Ratio between the sample size of power analysis and precision analysis

**n.power** Sample size required for power analysis

**n.precision** Sample size required for precision analysis

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### See Also

ABdesign crt.match crt.unmatch phsize prsize crsize

### Examples

```
# The incidence rate of reference group is pR = 0.8 per thousands and that of test group
# is pT = 0.7 per thousands. It is also assumed that the respective standard deviation
# of reference and test group are sigr = 2 and sigt = 1 respectively. The constant value
# is chosen c = 0.08 to allow the maximum marginal error. The level of significance is
# alpha = 0.05 and the probability of type-II error is beta = 0.20.
```

```
precsize(pR = 0.8, pT = 0.7, sigr = 2, sigt = 1, c = 0.08, alpha = 0.05, beta = 0.20)
```

prsize

*Sample size determination for parallel study design.***Description**

Determination of sample sizes of two factors of each of the two groups using one of the tests for equality, non-inferiority/superiority or equivalence.

**Usage**

```
prsize(type, mu1, mu2, s, alpha, beta, k, r1, r2, del)
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**Arguments**

type	There are three types of test, (1) test of equality, (2) test for non-inferiority/superiority,
mu1	The mean value of 1st group
mu2	The mean value of 2nd group
s	The common standard deviation
alpha	The level of significance
beta	The probability of the type II error i.e. 1 - power
k	The ratio of 1st sample size(n1) and 2nd sample size(n2) i.e $k=n1/n2$
r1	The ratio of n1fac1 (sample size of the 1st factor for 1st group) and n1 i.e $r1=n1fac1/n1$
r2	The ratio of n2fac2 (sample size of the 1st factor for 2nd group) and n2 i.e $r2=n2fac1/n2$
del	The superiority or non-inferiority margin

**Details**

Parallel arm design is the most commonly used study design where subjects are randomized to one or more study arms. Each study arm will be allocated a different intervention. After randomization each subject will stay in their assigned arm during the whole study. The randomized subjects should not inadvertently contaminate with the other group. A major characteristic of a parallel study is randomization, which ensures accuracy of the results and lower risk of being biased.

**Value**

prsize returns returns the required sample sizes for each groups and their factors in a 2x2 contingency table.

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**See Also**

ABdesign crt.match crt.unmatch phsize precsize crsize

**Examples**

# (a) Test for equality:

# This is a parallel study design. The type = "equal" tests the equality of mean responses of a test drug ( $\mu_1 = 12$ ) and a reference drug ( $\mu_2 = 8$ ). The common standard deviation of the drugs is  $s = 5$ .  $k = 2$  indicates the ratio of the sample sizes of the two groups.  $\alpha = 0.05$  is the level of significance and the probability of type-II error is  $\beta = 0.10$ . The proportion of factor-1 and factor-2 are taken to be  $r_1 = 0.6$  and  $r_2 = 0.6$  respectively.

```
prsize(type="equal", mu1=12, mu2=8, s=5, alpha=0.05, beta=0.10, k=2, r1=0.6, r2=0.6)
```

# (b) Test for superiority/noninferiority:

# This is a Parallel design. The type = "noninf.sup" test whether the difference of mean responses of a test drug ( $\mu_1 = 12$ ) and a reference drug ( $\mu_2 = 8$ ) being greater than or equal to the marginal value  $\delta = 0.8$ .  $s = 5$  is the common standard deviation of the drugs. The value  $k = 2$  indicates the ratio of the sample sizes of the two groups.  $\alpha = 0.05$  is the level of significance and the probability of type-II error is  $\beta = 0.10$ . The proportion of factor-1 and factor-2 are taken to be  $r_1 = 0.6$  and  $r_2 = 0.6$  respectively.

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prsize(type="noninf.sup", mu1=12, mu2=8, s=5, alpha=0.05, beta=0.10, k=2, r1=0.6,
      r2=0.6, del=0.8)
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# (c) Test for equivalence:

# This is a Parallel design. The type = "equiv" tests whether the absolute value of the difference of mean responses of a test drug ( $\mu_1 = 12$ ) and a reference drug ( $\mu_2 = 8$ ) being less than or equal to the marginal value  $\delta = 0.8$ . The number of responses are  $m = 4$  observed from each subject in each sequence. The  $s = 5$  is the common standard deviation of the drugs. The value  $k = 2$  indicates the ratio of the sample sizes of the two groups. The  $\alpha = 0.05$  is the level of significance and the probability of type-II error is  $\beta = 0.10$ . The proportion of factor-1 ( $r_1$ ) and factor-2 ( $r_2$ ) both are taken to be equal to  $0.6$ .

```
prsize(type="equiv", mu1=12, mu2=8, s=5, alpha=0.05, beta=0.10, k=2, r1=0.6,
      r2=0.6, del=0.8)
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