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**Description** Computes experimental designs for two-arm experiments with covariates using multiple methods, including: (0) complete randomization and randomization with forced-balance; (1) greedy optimization of a balance objective function via pairwise switching; (2) numerical optimization via 'gurobi'; (3) rerandomization; (4) Karp's method for one covariate; (5) exhaustive enumeration for small sample sizes; (6) binary pair matching using 'nbpMatching'; (7) binary pair matching plus method (1) to further optimize balance; (8) binary pair matching plus method (3) to further optimize balance; (9) Hadamard designs; and (10) simultaneous multiple kernels. For the greedy, rerandomization, and related methods, three objective functions are supported: Mahalanobis distance, standardized sums of absolute differences, and kernel distances via the 'kernlab' library. This package is the result of a stream of research that can be found in Krieger, A. M., Azriel, D. A., and Kapelner, A. (2019). ``Nearly Random Designs with Greatly Improved Balance." *Biometrika* 106(3), 695-701 <doi:10.1093/biomet/asz026>. Krieger, A. M., Azriel, D. A., and Kapelner, A. (2023). ``Better experimental design by hybridizing binary matching with imbalance optimization." *Canadian Journal of Statistics*, 51(1), 275-292 <doi:10.1002/cjs.11685>.

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all\_elements\_same\_cpp\_wrap

*Tests if a vector has all elements the same*

---

### **Description**

Tests if a vector has all elements the same

### **Usage**

```
all_elements_same_cpp_wrap(w)
```

### **Arguments**

w                    The vector to be queried

### **Value**

A boolean if it has all same elements

### **Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:  
all_elements_same_cpp_wrap(c(1, 1, 1))  
all_elements_same_cpp_wrap(c(1, 2, 1))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

complete\_randomization

*Implements complete randomization (without forced balance)*

---

### **Description**

For debugging, you can use `set.seed` to be assured of deterministic output.

### **Usage**

```
complete_randomization(n, r, form = "one_zero")
```

**Arguments**

n	number of observations
r	number of randomized designs you would like
form	Which form should it be in? The default is one_zero for 1/0's or pos_one_min_one for +1/-1's.

**Value**

a matrix where each column is one of the r designs

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
complete_randomization(n = 6, r = 2)

## End(Not run)
```

---

complete\_randomization\_with\_forced\_balanced  
*Implements forced balanced randomization*

---

**Description**

For debugging, you can use `set.seed` to be assured of deterministic output.

**Usage**

```
complete_randomization_with_forced_balanced(
  n,
  r,
  form = "one_zero",
  seed = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

n	number of observations
r	number of randomized designs you would like
form	Which form should it be in? The default is one_zero for 1/0's or pos_one_min_one for +1/-1's.
seed	An integer which is the seed to be set within C++. Default is NULL which means the seed is set from the system clock.

**Value**

a matrix where each column is one of the  $r$  designs

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
complete_randomization_with_forced_balanced(n = 6, r = 2, seed = 1)

## End(Not run)
```

---

computeBinaryMatchStructure

*Compute Binary Matching Structure*

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `binary_match_structure` and will compute pairs. You can then use the functions `initBinaryMatchExperimentalDesignSearchObject` and `resultsBinaryMatchSearch` to create randomized allocation vectors. For one column in  $X$ , we just sort to find the pairs trivially.

**Usage**

```
computeBinaryMatchStructure(
  X,
  mahal_match = FALSE,
  compute_dist_matrix = NULL,
  D = NULL,
  symmetry_tol = 1e-12,
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
<code>mahal_match</code>	Match using Mahalanobis distance. Default is FALSE.
<code>compute_dist_matrix</code>	The function that computes the distance matrix between every two observations in $X$ , its only argument. The default is NULL signifying euclidean squared distance optimized in C++.
<code>D</code>	A distance matrix precomputed. The default is NULL indicating the distance matrix should be computed.

symmetry\_tol    Tolerance for symmetry check on D. Default is 1e-12.  
use\_safe\_inverse    Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

An object of type `binary_experimental_design` which can be further operated upon.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
set.seed(1)  
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)  
bms = computeBinaryMatchStructure(X)  
bms$indicies_pairs  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

compute\_distance\_matrix\_cpp\_wrap

*Computes a Euclidean-squared distance matrix rapidly*

---

**Description**

Computes a Euclidean-squared distance matrix rapidly

**Usage**

```
compute_distance_matrix_cpp_wrap(X)
```

**Arguments**

X                    A numeric matrix with n rows representing each subject and p columns which are measurements on each subject

**Value**

The n x n Euclidean distances squared

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
X = matrix(c(0, 1, 2, 3), nrow = 2)
compute_distance_matrix_cpp_wrap(X)

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
compute_distance_matrix_gpu
```

*Compute a squared Euclidean distance matrix through the optional native backend*

---

**Description**

Compute a squared Euclidean distance matrix through the optional native backend

**Usage**

```
compute_distance_matrix_gpu(X, backend = "auto", device = 0)
```

**Arguments**

X	A numeric matrix.
backend	One of "auto", "cpu", or "gpu".
device	Zero-based device id. -1 for native C++.

**Value**

An n x n squared Euclidean distance matrix.

---

```
compute_gram_matrix
```

*Gram Matrix Computation*

---

**Description**

Computes the Gram Matrix for a user-specified kernel using the library kernlab. Note that this function automatically standardizes the columns of the data entered.

**Usage**

```
compute_gram_matrix(X, kernel_type, params = c())
```

**Arguments**

X	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
kernel_type	One of the following: "vanilla", "rbf", "poly", "tanh", "bessel", "laplace", "anova" or "spline".
params	A vector of numeric parameters. Each kernel_type has different numbers of parameters required. For more information see documentation for the kernlab library.

**Value**

The  $n \times n$  gram matrix for the given kernel on the given data.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
K = compute_gram_matrix(X, kernel_type = "rbf", params = 0.5)
dim(K)

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
compute_kernel_matrix_gpu
```

*Compute a kernel matrix through the optional native backend*

---

**Description**

Compute a kernel matrix through the optional native backend

**Usage**

```
compute_kernel_matrix_gpu(X, kernel = "gaussian", ...)
```

**Arguments**

X	A numeric matrix.
kernel	One of "gaussian", "laplacian", "inv_mult_quad", "exponential", or "poly".
...	Optional kernel parameters. Supported names are gamma and poly_s.

**Value**

An  $n \times n$  kernel matrix.

---

```
compute_multiple_kernel_objective_vals_gpu
    Compute multiple kernel objective values using GPU
```

---

### Description

Compute multiple kernel objective values using GPU

### Usage

```
compute_multiple_kernel_objective_vals_gpu(
    W,
    Kgrams,
    weights,
    initial_objs,
    running_sums,
    max_reds,
    maximum_gain_scaling,
    device = 0
)
```

### Arguments

W	The design matrix (r x n)
Kgrams	A list of Gram matrices
weights	A vector of weights for the kernels
initial_objs	A vector of initial objective values
running_sums	A vector of current kernel sums
max_reds	A vector of max reduction log objective values
maximum_gain_scaling	Scaling factor
device	The device ID

---

```
compute_objective_val Computes Objective Value From Allocation Vector
```

---

### Description

Returns the objective value given a design vector as well as an objective function. This is sometimes duplicated in Java. However, within Java, tricks are played to make optimization go faster so Java's objective values may not always be the same as the true objective function (e.g. logs or constants dropped).

**Usage**

```
compute_objective_val(
  X,
  indic_T,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  inv_cov_X = NULL,
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

X	The n x p design matrix
indic_T	The n-length binary allocation vector
objective	The objective function to use. Default is <code>abs_sum_diff</code> and the other option is <code>mahal_dist</code> .
inv_cov_X	Optional: the inverse sample variance covariance matrix. Use this argument if you will be doing many calculations since passing this in will cache this data.
use_safe_inverse	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
indic_T = c(1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0)
compute_objective_val(X, indic_T, objective = "abs_sum_diff")

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
compute_objective_vals_gpu
```

*Compute kernel objective values through the optional native backend*

---

**Description**

Compute kernel objective values through the optional native backend

**Usage**

```
compute_objective_vals_gpu(W, Kgram, device = 0)
```

**Arguments**

W	An $r \times n$ numeric matrix of design vectors.
Kgram	An $n \times n$ kernel Gram matrix.
device	Zero-based device id. -1 for native C++.

**Value**

A numeric vector with one quadratic form per row of W.

---

compute\_randomization\_metrics

*Computes Randomization Metrics (explained in paper) about a design algorithm*

---

**Description**

Computes Randomization Metrics (explained in paper) about a design algorithm

**Usage**

```
compute_randomization_metrics(designs)
```

**Arguments**

designs	A matrix where each column is one design.
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**Value**

A list of resulting data: the probability estimates for each pair in the design of randomness where estimates close to ~0.5 represent random assignment, then the entropy metric the distance metric, the maximum eigenvalue of the allocation var-cov matrix (operator norm) and the squared Frobenius norm (the sum of the squared eigenvalues)

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
designs = matrix(c(1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1), nrow = 4, ncol = 2)
compute_randomization_metrics(designs)

## End(Not run)
```

---

compute\_randomization\_metrics\_gpu  
*Compute randomization metrics through the optional native backend*

---

**Description**

Compute randomization metrics through the optional native backend

**Usage**

```
compute_randomization_metrics_gpu(W, device = 0)
```

**Arguments**

W                    An  $r \times n$  integer matrix of design vectors (1/0).  
device                Zero-based device id. -1 for native C++.

**Value**

An  $n \times n$  matrix of same-group probabilities.

---

create\_all\_ys\_cpp\_wrap  
*Create all binary Y's convenience function using a randomized design*

---

**Description**

Create all binary Y's convenience function using a randomized design

**Usage**

```
create_all_ys_cpp_wrap(pCs, pTs, W, two_n, nY)
```

**Arguments**

pCs                    Control-group success probabilities (length two\_n)  
pTs                    Treatment-group success probabilities (length two\_n)  
W                        Assignment matrix with nY rows and two\_n columns  
two\_n                    Total number of units  
nY                        Number of Y vectors to generate

**Value**

A matrix of boolean Y's

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
pCs = rep(0.2, 4)
pTs = rep(0.8, 4)
W = matrix(c(1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1), nrow = 2, byrow = TRUE)
create_all_ys_cpp_wrap(pCs, pTs, W, two_n = 4, nY = 2)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
full_greedy_search_gpu
```

*Run a full greedy search on GPU (Upload Once, In-Place)*

---

**Description**

Run a full greedy search on GPU (Upload Once, In-Place)

**Usage**

```
full_greedy_search_gpu(X, Sinv, start_indicT, max_iters = 100, device = 0)
```

**Arguments**

X	The design matrix
Sinv	Inverse covariance matrix
start_indicT	Starting allocation
max_iters	Maximum iterations
device	Device ID

---

```
ged_gpu_available
```

*Check for optional GPU support*

---

**Description**

Check for optional GPU support

**Usage**

```
ged_gpu_available()
```

**Value**

A logical scalar. Attribute `wgpu_compiled` is TRUE when the package was compiled with WebGPU backend support.

---

ged\_gpu\_devices      *List optional GPU devices*

---

**Description**

List optional GPU devices

**Usage**

```
ged_gpu_devices()
```

**Value**

A data frame with columns id, name, backend, type, and usable. It is empty when GPU support was not compiled into the package.

---

generate\_block\_design\_cpp\_wrap  
*Generates homogeneous block design allocations rapidly*

---

**Description**

Generates homogeneous block design allocations rapidly

**Usage**

```
generate_block_design_cpp_wrap(B, nR, dummy_block)
```

**Arguments**

B	The number of blocks in the design
nR	The number of allocation vectors
dummy_block	The subvector of allocations in each block that will be permuted

**Value**

A matrix with rows being the nR random block allocation of sample size B x length(dummy\_block).

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
generate_block_design_cpp_wrap(B = 2, nR = 3, dummy_block = c(1, 0))

## End(Not run)
```

---

`generate_stdzied_design_matrix`*Generates a design matrix with standardized predictors.*

---

**Description**

This function is useful for debugging.

**Usage**

```
generate_stdzied_design_matrix(n = 50, p = 1, covariate_gen = rnorm, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n</code>	Number of rows in the design matrix
<code>p</code>	Number of columns in the design matrix
<code>covariate_gen</code>	The function to use to draw the covariate realizations (assumed to be iid). This defaults to <code>rnorm</code> for $N(0,1)$ draws.
<code>...</code>	Optional arguments to be passed to the <code>covariate_dist</code> function.

**Value**

The design matrix

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
X = generate_stdzied_design_matrix(n = 6, p = 2)  
colMeans(X)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

gen\_pm\_designs\_cpp\_wrap  
*Create PM designs*

---

**Description**

Create PM designs

**Usage**

```
gen_pm_designs_cpp_wrap(indicies_pairs, n, r)
```

**Arguments**

`indicies_pairs` A matrix of  $n \times 2$  indicies where each row is a pair of subjects' indicies  
`n` Half the number of subjects i.e. the number of pairs  
`r` The number of assignments to generate

**Value**

A matrix of  $r \times 2n$  PM designs of +1/-1 assignments

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
indicies_pairs = matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 4), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)  
gen_pm_designs_cpp_wrap(indicies_pairs, n = 2, r = 3)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

gen\_var\_cov\_matrix\_block\_designs  
*Computes varcov matrix for block designs*

---

**Description**

The varcov matrix for block designs consists of a block- diagonal matrix with  $B$  blocks (the number of blocks in the design) with off-diagonal entries =  $-1 / (n/B - 1)$  where  $n$  is the number of subjected in the study.

**Usage**

```
gen_var_cov_matrix_block_designs(n, prop_T, B, use_cache = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

n	number of observations
prop_T	the proportion of treatments allocated
B	the number of blocks
use_cache	Cache results for repeated calls with identical inputs. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

varcov matrix for the specific block design

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
gen_var_cov_matrix_block_designs(n = 12, prop_T = 0.5, B = 3)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

GreedyExperimentalDesign

*Greedy Experimental Design Search*

---

**Description**

A tool to find many types of a priori experimental designs

**Author(s)**

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**References**

Kapelner, A

---

`greedy_orthogonalization_curation`*Curate More Orthogonal Vectors Greedily*

---

## Description

This function takes a set of allocation vectors and pares them down one-by-one by eliminating the vector that can result in the largest reduction in  $\text{Avg}[|r_{ij}|]$ . It is recommended to begin with a set of unmirrored vectors for speed. Then add the mirrors later for whichever subset you wish.

## Usage

```
greedy_orthogonalization_curation(W, Rmin = 2, verbose = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

W	A matrix in in the set $-1, 1^{R \times n}$ which have R allocation vectors for an experiment of sample size n.
Rmin	The minimum number of vectors to consider in a design. The default is the true bottom, two.
verbose	Default is FALSE but if not, it will print out a message for each iteration.

## Value

A list with two elements: (1) `avg_abs_rij_by_R` which is a data frame with  $R - Rmin + 1$  rows and columns R and average absolute `r_ij` and (2) `Wsorted` which provides the collection of vectors in sorted by best average absolute `r_ij` in row order from best to worst.

## Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

## Examples

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
W = matrix(sample(c(-1, 1), 6 * 8, replace = TRUE), nrow = 6)
res = greedy_orthogonalization_curation(W, Rmin = 3, verbose = FALSE)
res$avg_abs_rij_by_R

## End(Not run)
```

---

 greedy\_orthogonalization\_curation2

*Curate More Orthogonal Vectors Greedily*


---

## Description

This function takes a set of allocation vectors and pares them down one-by-one by eliminating the vector that can result in the largest reduction in  $\text{Avg}[|r_{ij}|]$ . It is recommended to begin with a set of unmirrored vectors for speed. Then add the mirrors later for whichever subset you wish.

## Usage

```
greedy_orthogonalization_curation2(W, R0 = 100, verbose = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

W	A matrix in $-1, 1^{R \times n}$ which have R allocation vectors for an experiment of sample size n.
R0	The minimum number of vectors to consider in a design. The default is the true bottom, two.
verbose	Default is FALSE but if not, it will print out a message for each iteration.

## Value

A list with two elements: (1) `avg_abs_r_ij_by_R` which is a data frame with  $R - R_{\min} + 1$  rows and columns R and average absolute `r_ij` and (2) `Wsorted` which provides the collection of vectors in sorted by best average absolute `r_ij` in row order from best to worst.

## Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

## Examples

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
W = matrix(sample(c(-1, 1), 6 * 8, replace = TRUE), nrow = 6)
W2 = greedy_orthogonalization_curation2(W, R0 = 4, verbose = FALSE)
dim(W2)

## End(Not run)
```

---

`hadamardExperimentalDesign`*Create a Hadamard Design*

---

**Description**

This method returns unique designs according to a Hadamard matrix. For debugging, you can use `set.seed` to be assured of deterministic output.

**Usage**

```
hadamardExperimentalDesign(X, strict = TRUE, form = "one_zero")
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). The measurements aren't used to compute the Hadamard designs, only the number of rows.
<code>strict</code>	Hadamard matrices are not available for all $n$ .
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.

**Value**

An matrix of dimension  $R \times n$  where  $R$  is the number of Hadamard allocations.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
W = hadamardExperimentalDesign(X, strict = TRUE, form = "one_zero")
dim(W)

## End(Not run)
```

---

`imbalanced_block_designs`*Implements unequally allocated block designs*

---

### Description

For debugging, you can use `set.seed` to be assured of deterministic output. The following quantities in this design must be integer valued or an error will be thrown: `n_B := n / B` and `n_B * prop_T`

### Usage

```
imbalanced_block_designs(n, prop_T, B, r, form = "one_zero", seed = NULL)
```

### Arguments

<code>n</code>	number of observations
<code>prop_T</code>	the proportion of treatments allocated
<code>B</code>	the number of blocks
<code>r</code>	number of randomized designs you would like
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.
<code>seed</code>	An integer which is the seed to be set within C++. Default is <code>NULL</code> which means the seed is set from the system clock.

### Value

a matrix where each column is one of the `r` designs

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
imbalanced_block_designs(n = 12, prop_T = 0.5, B = 3, r = 2, seed = 1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

`imbalanced_complete_randomization`*Implements unequally allocated complete randomization*

---

**Description**

For debugging, you can use `set.seed` to be assured of deterministic output.

**Usage**

```
imbalanced_complete_randomization(n, prop_T, r, form = "one_zero", seed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n</code>	number of observations
<code>prop_T</code>	the proportion of treatments needed
<code>r</code>	number of randomized designs you would like
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.
<code>seed</code>	An integer which is the seed to be set within C++. Default is <code>NULL</code> which means the seed is set from the system clock.

**Value**

a matrix where each column is one of the `r` designs

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
imbalanced_complete_randomization(n = 10, prop_T = 0.3, r = 2, seed = 1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initBinaryMatchExperimentalDesignSearchObject
```

*Begin a Binary Match Search*

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space for pairwise match designs based on the structure computed in the function `computeBinaryMatchStructure`. For debugging, you can use set the `seed` parameter and `num_cores = 1` to be assured of deterministic output.

**Usage**

```
initBinaryMatchExperimentalDesignSearchObject(
  binary_match_structure,
  max_designs = 1000,
  wait = FALSE,
  start = TRUE,
  num_cores = 1,
  seed = NULL,
  prop_flips = 1,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>binary_match_structure</code>	The <code>binary_experimental_design</code> object where the pairs are computed.
<code>max_designs</code>	How many random allocation vectors you wish to return. The default is 1000.
<code>wait</code>	Should the R terminal hang until all <code>max_designs</code> vectors are found? The default is FALSE.
<code>start</code>	Should we start searching immediately (default is TRUE).
<code>num_cores</code>	The number of CPU cores you wish to use during the search. The default is 1.
<code>seed</code>	The set to set for deterministic output. This should only be set if <code>num_cores = 1</code> otherwise the output will not be deterministic. Default is NULL for no seed set.
<code>prop_flips</code>	Proportion of flips. Default is all. Lower for more correlated assignments (useful for research only).
<code>verbose</code>	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
bms = computeBinaryMatchStructure(X)
bm = initBinaryMatchExperimentalDesignSearchObject(
  bms,
  max_designs = 4,
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  seed = 1,
  verbose = FALSE
)
bm

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initBinaryMatchFollowedByGreedyExperimentalDesignSearchObject
```

*Begin a Search for Binary Matching Followed by Greedy Switch Designs*

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `binary_then_greedy_experimental_design` and will find optimal matched pairs which are then greedily switched in order to further minimize a balance metric. You can then use the function `resultsBinaryMatchThenGreedySearch` to obtain the randomized allocation vectors. For one column in `X`, the matching just sorts the values to find the pairs trivially.

**Usage**

```
initBinaryMatchFollowedByGreedyExperimentalDesignSearchObject(
  X,
  diff_method = FALSE,
  compute_dist_matrix = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
<code>diff_method</code>	Once the subjects (i.e. row vectors) are paired, do we create a set of $n/2$ difference vectors and feed that into greedy? If TRUE, this technically breaks the objective function, but it is shown to have better performance. The default is thus FALSE.

`compute_dist_matrix`      The function that computes the distance matrix between every two observations in  $X$ , its only argument. The default is NULL signifying euclidean squared distance optimized in C++.

`verbose`                  Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.

`...`                      Arguments passed to `initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject`. It is recommended to set `max_designs` otherwise it will default to 10,000.

**Value**

An object of type `binary_experimental_design` which can be further operated upon.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
obj = initBinaryMatchFollowedByGreedyExperimentalDesignSearchObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 4,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
obj

## End(Not run)
```

---

`initBinaryMatchFollowedByRerandomizationDesignSearchObject`

*Begin a Search for Binary Matching Followed by Rerandomization*

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design` and will find optimal matched pairs which are then rerandomized in order to further minimize a balance metric. You can then use the function `resultsBinaryMatchThenRerandomizationSearch` to obtain the randomized allocation vectors. For one column in  $X$ , the matching just sorts the values to find the pairs trivially.

**Usage**

```
initBinaryMatchFollowedByRerandomizationDesignSearchObject(
  X,
  compute_dist_matrix = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
<code>compute_dist_matrix</code>	The function that computes the distance matrix between every two observations in <code>X</code> , its only argument. The default is <code>NULL</code> signifying euclidean squared distance optimized in C++.
<code>verbose</code>	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>...</code>	Arguments passed to <code>initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject</code> . It is recommended to set <code>max_designs</code> otherwise it will default to 10,000.

**Value**

An object of type `binary_experimental_design` which can be further operated upon.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
obj = initBinaryMatchFollowedByRerandomizationDesignSearchObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 4,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  obj_val_cutoff_to_include = Inf,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
obj

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject
```

*Begin A Greedy Pair Switching Search*

---

### Description

This method creates an object of type `greedy_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space for forced balance designs. For debugging, you can use set the seed parameter and `num_cores = 1` to be assured of deterministic output.

### Usage

```
initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X = NULL,
  nT = NULL,
  max_designs = 10000,
  objective = "mahal_dist",
  indicies_pairs = NULL,
  Kgram = NULL,
  wait = FALSE,
  start = TRUE,
  max_iters = Inf,
  semigreedy = FALSE,
  diagnostics = FALSE,
  num_cores = 1,
  seed = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design. This parameter must be specified unless you choose objective type "kernel" in which case, the <code>Kgram</code> parameter must be specified.
<code>nT</code>	The number of treatments to assign. Default is <code>NULL</code> which is for forced balance allocation i.e. $nT = nC = n / 2$ where $n$ is the number of rows in <code>X</code> (or <code>Kgram</code> if <code>X</code> is unspecified).
<code>max_designs</code>	The maximum number of designs to be returned. Default is 10,000. Make this large so you can search however long you wish as the search can be stopped at any time by using the <a href="#">stopSearch</a> method
<code>objective</code>	The objective function to use when searching design space. This is a string with valid values "mahal_dist" (the default), "abs_sum_diff" or "kernel".

indicies_pairs	A matrix of size $n/2$ times 2 whose rows are indicies pairs. The values of the entire matrix must enumerate all indicies $1, \dots, n$ . The default is NULL meaning to use all possible pairs.
Kgram	If the objective = kernel, this argument is required to be an $n \times n$ matrix whose entries are the evaluation of the kernel function between subject $i$ and subject $j$ . Default is NULL.
wait	Should the R terminal hang until all max_designs vectors are found? The default is FALSE.
start	Should we start searching immediately (default is TRUE).
max_iters	Should we impose a maximum number of greedy switches? The default is Inf which a flag for “no limit.”
semigreedy	Should we use a fully greedy approach or the quicker semi-greedy approach? The default is FALSE corresponding to the fully greedy approach.
diagnostics	Returns diagnostic information about the iterations including (a) the initial starting vectors, (b) the switches at every iteration and (c) information about the objective function at every iteration (default is FALSE to decrease the algorithm’s run time).
num_cores	The number of CPU cores you wish to use during the search. The default is 1.
seed	The set to set for deterministic output. This should only be set if num_cores = 1 otherwise the output will not be deterministic. Default is NULL for no seed set.
verbose	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.
use_safe_inverse	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

An object of type greedy\_experimental\_design\_search which can be further operated upon

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 5,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

```
ged
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initGreedyMultipleKernelExperimentalDesignObject
Begin A Greedy Multiple Kernel Design Search
```

---

## Description

This method creates an object of type `greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space for forced balance designs. For debugging, you can use set the `seed` parameter and `num_cores = 1` to be assured of deterministic output.

## Usage

```
initGreedyMultipleKernelExperimentalDesignObject(
  X = NULL,
  kernel_names = NULL,
  Kgrams = NULL,
  kernel_weights = NULL,
  objective = "added_pct_reduction",
  maximum_gain_scaling = TRUE,
  nT = NULL,
  max_designs = 10000,
  kernel_pre_num_designs = 1000,
  wait = FALSE,
  start = TRUE,
  max_iters = Inf,
  semigreedy = FALSE,
  diagnostics = FALSE,
  num_cores = 1,
  seed = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This parameter must be specified unless you choose objective type "kernel" in which case, the <code>Kgrams</code> parameter must be specified.
<code>kernel_names</code>	A vector of $M \geq 1$ strings indicating the kernels to be used. Valid values are "mahalanobis", "gaussian", "laplacian", "exponential", "inv_mult_quad", "poly_2", "poly_3". Or a special value "manual" to indicate the kernels are specified manually using the <code>Kgrams</code> parameter.

Kgrams	A list of $M \geq 1$ elements where each is a $n \times n$ matrix whose entries are the evaluation of the kernel function between subject $i$ and subject $j$ . Default is NULL.
kernel_weights	A vector of $M$ weights for each kernel which should sum to 1. Default is NULL which specifies equal weighting.
objective	The method used to aggregate the kernel objective functions together. Default is "added_pct_reduction".
maximum_gain_scaling	Should we scale the kernels to have the same maximum gain? Default is TRUE.
nT	The number of treatments to assign. Default is NULL which is for forced balance allocation i.e. $nT = nC = n / 2$ where $n$ is the number of rows in $X$ (or Kgram if $X$ is unspecified).
max_designs	The maximum number of designs to be returned. Default is 10,000. Make this large so you can search however long you wish as the search can be stopped at any time by using the <a href="#">stopSearch</a> method.
kernel_pre_num_designs	The number of initial designs to search through before starting the greedy search for each kernel. Default is 1000.
wait	Should the R terminal hang until all max_designs vectors are found? The default is FALSE.
start	Should we start searching immediately (default is TRUE).
max_iters	The maximum number of iterations of the greedy search algorithm to run. Default is Inf.
semigreedy	Should we use a fully greedy approach or the quicker semi-greedy approach? The default is FALSE corresponding to the fully greedy approach.
diagnostics	Should the objective function values at each iteration be saved? Default is FALSE.
num_cores	The number of CPU cores to use for the search. Default is 1.
seed	The set to set for deterministic output. This should only be set if num_cores = 1 otherwise the output will not be deterministic. Default is NULL for no seed set.
verbose	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.
use_safe_inverse	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

An object of type `greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design` which can be further operated upon

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```

## Not run:
library(MASS)
data(Boston)
#pretend the Boston data was an experiment setting
#first pull out the covariates
X = Boston[, 1 : 13]
#begin the greedy design search
mk = initGreedyMultipleKernelExperimentalDesignObject(X,
max_designs = 100, num_cores = 3, kernel_names = c("mahalanobis", "gaussian"))
#wait
res = resultsMultipleKernelGreedySearch(mk, max_vectors = 2)
design = res$ending_indicTs[1, ] #ordered already by best-->worst
design
#how far have we come of the 100 we set out to do?
mk
#we can cut it here
stopSearch(mk)

## End(Not run)

```

---

```

initGurobiNumericalOptimizationExperimentalDesignObject
Begin Gurobi Optimized Search

```

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `optimal_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space for forced balance designs. Make sure you setup Gurobi properly first. This means applying for a license, downloading, installing, registering it on your computer using the `grbgetkey` command with the license file in the default directory. Then, in R, install the package from the file in your gurobi directory.

**Usage**

```

initGurobiNumericalOptimizationExperimentalDesignObject(
  X = NULL,
  objective = "mahal_dist",
  Kgram = NULL,
  num_cores = 2,
  w_0 = NULL,
  initial_time_limit_sec = 5 * 60,
  restart_time_limit_sec = 60,
  max_number_of_restarts = 0,
  max_no_good_cuts = 0,
  verbose = TRUE,
  gurobi_params = list(),
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE,

```

```

    r,
    pool_solutions = NULL,
    pool_gap = 0.2,
    pool_gap_abs = NULL,
    pool_search_mode = 2,
    mip_gap = 1e-04,
    mip_gap_abs = 1e-10,
    mip_focus = 1,
    heuristics = 0.2,
    cuts = 2,
    presolve = 2
)

```

### Arguments

X	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
objective	The objective function to use when searching design space. This is a string with valid values "mahal_dist" (the default) or "kernel".
Kgram	If the objective = kernel, this argument is required to be an $n \times n$ matrix whose entries are the evaluation of the kernel function between subject $i$ and subject $j$ . Default is NULL.
num_cores	Number of cores to use during search. Default is 2.
w_0	The initial starting location (optional).
initial_time_limit_sec	The maximum amount of time the optimizer can run for in seconds. The default is $5 * 60$ .
restart_time_limit_sec	The maximum amount of time each restart can run for in seconds. The default is 60.
max_number_of_restarts	The maximum number of restarts to attempt if too few unique solutions are returned. Default is 0.
max_no_good_cuts	The maximum number of no-good cuts to attempt. Default is 0 (disabled).
verbose	Should Gurobi log to console? Default is TRUE.
gurobi_params	A list of optional parameters to be passed to Gurobi (see their documentation online).
use_safe_inverse	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.
r	Number of solution vectors to request from the Gurobi pool.
pool_solutions	Number of solutions to request from the Gurobi pool. Defaults to $10 * r$ .
pool_gap	Relative optimality gap for the pool. Default is 0.2. Use NULL to skip.

<code>pool_gap_abs</code>	Absolute optimality gap for the pool. Default is NULL to skip.
<code>pool_search_mode</code>	Solution pool search mode. Default is 2 for diverse solutions.
<code>mip_gap</code>	Relative MIP gap target (stops when $ \text{best-bound} - \text{best-incumbent}  /  \text{best-incumbent}  \leq \text{mip\_gap}$ ). Lower values force deeper search. Default is $1e-4$ .
<code>mip_gap_abs</code>	Absolute MIP gap target (stops when $ \text{best-bound} - \text{best-incumbent}  \leq \text{mip\_gap\_abs}$ ). Lower values force deeper search. Default is $1e-10$ .
<code>mip_focus</code>	Search focus: 0 (balance), 1 (find feasible solutions), 2 (prove optimality), 3 (bound improvement). Default is 1.
<code>heuristics</code>	Heuristics effort in $[0, 1]$ where higher values spend more time on heuristics. Default is 0.2.
<code>cuts</code>	Cut aggressiveness: -1 (automatic), 0 (off), 1 (conservative), 2 (aggressive), 3 (very aggressive). Default is 2.
<code>presolve</code>	Presolve aggressiveness: -1 (automatic), 0 (off), 1 (conservative), 2 (aggressive). Default is 2.

**Details**

Currently, this method does not return multiple vectors. This will be improved in a later version. If you want this functionality now, use the hacked-up method `gurobi_multiple_designs`.

**Value**

A list object which houses the results from Gurobi. Depending on the `gurobi_parms`, the data within will be different. The most relevant tags are `x` for the best found solution and `objval` for the object

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
if ("gurobi" %in% loadedNamespaces()) {
  set.seed(1)
  X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
  gobj = initGurobiNumericalOptimizationExperimentalDesignObject(
    X,
    r = 2,
    num_cores = 1,
    initial_time_limit_sec = 5,
    verbose = FALSE
  )
  gobj$n
}

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initKarpExperimentalDesignObject  
  Begin Karp Search
```

---

## Description

This method creates an object of type `karp_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space. Note that the Karp search only works for one covariate (i.e. `$p=1$`) and the objective `"abs_sum_diff"`.

## Usage

```
initKarpExperimentalDesignObject(  
  X,  
  wait = FALSE,  
  balanced = TRUE,  
  start = TRUE,  
  verbose = TRUE  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with <code>\$n\$</code> rows (one for each subject) and <code>\$p\$</code> columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more karp design.
<code>wait</code>	Should the R terminal hang until all <code>max_designs</code> vectors are found? The default is FALSE.
<code>balanced</code>	Should the final vector be balanced? Default and recommended is TRUE.
<code>start</code>	Should we start searching immediately (default is TRUE).
<code>verbose</code>	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.

## Value

An object of type `karp_experimental_design_search` which can be further operated upon

## Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
set.seed(1)  
X = matrix(rnorm(10), nrow = 10)  
kobj = initKarpExperimentalDesignObject(  
  X,  
  start = TRUE,
```

```

    wait = TRUE,
    balanced = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE
  )
  kobj

## End(Not run)

```

---

```
initOptimalExperimentalDesignObject
```

*Begin a Search for the Optimal Solution*

---

### Description

This method creates an object of type `optimal_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space. Since this search takes exponential time, for most machines, this method is futile beyond 28 samples. You've been warned! For debugging, you can use `set_num_cores = 1` to be assured of deterministic output.

### Usage

```

initOptimalExperimentalDesignObject(
  X = NULL,
  objective = "mahal_dist",
  Kgram = NULL,
  wait = FALSE,
  start = TRUE,
  num_cores = 1,
  verbose = TRUE,
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
<code>objective</code>	The objective function to use when searching design space. This is a string with valid values "mahal_dist" (the default), "abs_sum_diff" or "kernel".
<code>Kgram</code>	If the <code>objective = kernel</code> , this argument is required to be an $n \times n$ matrix whose entries are the evaluation of the kernel function between subject $i$ and subject $j$ . Default is <code>NULL</code> .
<code>wait</code>	Should the R terminal hang until all <code>max_designs</code> vectors are found? The default is <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>start</code>	Should we start searching immediately (default is <code>TRUE</code> ).
<code>num_cores</code>	The number of CPU cores you wish to use during the search. The default is 1.

verbose           Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.  
 use\_safe\_inverse           Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

An object of type `optimal_experimental_design_search` which can be further operated upon

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
obj = initOptimalExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
obj

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
initRerandomizationExperimentalDesignObject
Begin a Rerandomization Search
```

---

**Description**

This method creates an object of type `rerandomization_experimental_design` and will immediately initiate a search through allocation space for forced-balance designs. For debugging, you can use set the seed parameter and `num_cores = 1` to be assured of deterministic output.

**Usage**

```
initRerandomizationExperimentalDesignObject(
  X = NULL,
  obj_val_cutoff_to_include,
  max_designs = 1000,
  objective = "mahal_dist",
  Kgram = NULL,
```

```

wait = FALSE,
start = TRUE,
num_cores = 1,
seed = NULL,
verbose = TRUE,
use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

<code>X</code>	The design matrix with $n$ rows (one for each subject) and $p$ columns (one for each measurement on the subject). This is the design matrix you wish to search for a more optimal design.
<code>obj_val_cutoff_to_include</code>	Only allocation vectors with objective values lower than this threshold will be returned. If the cutoff is infinity, you are doing BCRD and you should use the <code>complete_randomization_with_forced_balanced</code> function instead.
<code>max_designs</code>	The maximum number of designs to be returned. Default is 10,000. Make this large so you can search however long you wish as the search can be stopped at any time by using the <code>stopSearch</code> method
<code>objective</code>	The objective function to use when searching design space. This is a string with valid values "mahal_dist" (the default), "abs_sum_diff" or "kernel".
<code>Kgram</code>	If the <code>objective = kernel</code> , this argument is required to be an $n \times n$ matrix whose entries are the evaluation of the kernel function between subject $i$ and subject $j$ . Default is NULL.
<code>wait</code>	Should the R terminal hang until all <code>max_designs</code> vectors are found? The default is FALSE.
<code>start</code>	Should we start searching immediately (default is TRUE).
<code>num_cores</code>	The number of CPU cores you wish to use during the search. The default is 1.
<code>seed</code>	The set to set for deterministic output. This should only be set if <code>num_cores = 1</code> otherwise the output will not be deterministic. Default is NULL for no seed set.
<code>verbose</code>	Should the algorithm emit progress output? Default is TRUE.
<code>use_safe_inverse</code>	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is FALSE.

### Value

An object of type `rerandomization_experimental_design_search` which can be further operated upon.

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
obj = initRerandomizationExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 5,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  obj_val_cutoff_to_include = Inf,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
obj

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
optimize_asymmetric_treatment_assignment
```

*Compute Optimal Number of Treatments/Controls*

---

**Description**

Given a total budget and asymmetric treatment and control costs, calculate the number of treatments and controls that optimize the variance of the estimator. The number of treatments is rounded up by default.

**Usage**

```
optimize_asymmetric_treatment_assignment(
  c_treatment = NULL,
  c_control = NULL,
  c_total_max = NULL,
  n = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

c_treatment	The cost of a treatment assignment. Default is NULL for symmetric costs.
c_control	The cost of a control assignment. Default is NULL for symmetric costs.
c_total_max	The total cost constraint of any allocation. Either this or n must be specified. Default is NULL.
n	The total cost constraint as specified by the total number of subjects. Either this or c_total must be specified. Default is NULL.

**Value**

A list with three keys: n, nT, nC plus specified arguments

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
optimize_asymmetric_treatment_assignment(n = 100)  
optimize_asymmetric_treatment_assignment(n = 100, c_treatment = 2, c_control = 1)  
optimize_asymmetric_treatment_assignment(c_total_max = 50, c_treatment = 2, c_control = 1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

```
plot.greedy_experimental_design_search  
  Plots a summary of a greedy search object object
```

---

**Description**

Plots a summary of a greedy search object object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_experimental_design_search'  
plot(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The greedy search object object to be summarized in the plot
...	Other parameters to pass to the default plot function

**Value**

An array of order statistics from [plot\\_obj\\_val\\_order\\_statistic](#) as a list element

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
plot.greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
      Plots a summary of a greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
      object
```

---

### Description

Plots a summary of a greedy\_multiple\_kernel\_experimental\_design object

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design'
plot(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x                    The greedy\_multiple\_kernel\_experimental\_design object to be plotted  
...                  Optional arguments for the plot function

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

---

```
plot_obj_val_by_iter    Plots the objective value by iteration
```

---

### Description

Plots the objective value by iteration

### Usage

```
plot_obj_val_by_iter(res, runs = NULL)
```

### Arguments

res                  Results from a greedy search object  
runs                 A vector of run indices you would like to see plotted (default is to plot the first up to 9)

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 5,
  num_cores = 1,
  diagnostics = TRUE,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
res = resultsGreedySearch(ged, max_vectors = 2)
plot_obj_val_by_iter(res)

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
plot_obj_val_order_statistic
```

*Plots an order statistic of the object value as a function of number of searches*

---

**Description**

Plots an order statistic of the object value as a function of number of searches

**Usage**

```
plot_obj_val_order_statistic(
  obj,
  order_stat = 1,
  skip_every = 5,
  type = "o",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

obj	The greedy search object whose search history is to be visualized
order_stat	The order statistic that you wish to plot. The default is 1 for the minimum.
skip_every	Plot every nth point. This makes the plot generate much more quickly. The default is 5.
type	The type parameter for plot.
...	Other arguments to be passed to the plot function.

**Value**

An array of order statistics as a list element

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 5,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
plot_obj_val_order_statistic(ged, order_stat = 1, skip_every = 1)

## End(Not run)
```

---

```
print.binary_match_structure
      Prints a summary of a binary_match_structure object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a `binary_match_structure` object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_match_structure'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` The `binary_match_structure` object to be summarized in the console
- `...` Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.binary_then_greedy_experimental_design
    Prints a summary of a binary_then_greedy_experimental_design
    object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a `binary_then_greedy_experimental_design` object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_then_greedy_experimental_design'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	The <code>binary_then_greedy_experimental_design</code> object to be summarized in the console
<code>...</code>	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design
    Prints a summary of a binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design
    object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a `binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design` object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	The <code>binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design</code> object to be summarized in the console
<code>...</code>	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.greedy_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a greedy_experimental_design_search ob-
    ject
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a greedy\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_experimental_design_search'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The greedy_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
    Prints a summary of a greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
    object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a greedy\_multiple\_kernel\_experimental\_design object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design object to be printed in the console
...	Optional arguments for the print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.karp_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a karp_experimental_design_search object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a karp\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'karp_experimental_design_search'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The karp_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.optimal_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a optimal_experimental_design_search object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a optimal\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'optimal_experimental_design_search'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The optimal_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search
      Prints a summary of a pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search
      object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a pairwise\_matching\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
print.rerandomization_experimental_design_search
      Prints a summary of a rerandomization_experimental_design_search
      object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a rerandomization\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'rerandomization_experimental_design_search'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	The rerandomization_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default print function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

`resultsBinaryMatchSearch`*Binary Pair Match Search*

---

**Description**

Returns the results (thus far) of the binary pair match design search

**Usage**

```
resultsBinaryMatchSearch(obj, form = "one_zero")
```

**Arguments**

<code>obj</code>	The <code>pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search</code> object that is currently running the search
<code>form</code>	Which form should the assignments be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
bms = computeBinaryMatchStructure(X)
bm = initBinaryMatchExperimentalDesignSearchObject(
  bms,
  max_designs = 4,
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  seed = 1,
  verbose = FALSE
)
res = resultsBinaryMatchSearch(bm, form = "one_zero")
dim(res)

## End(Not run)
```

---

`resultsBinaryMatchThenGreedySearch`*Returns unique allocation vectors that are binary matched*

---

**Description**

Returns unique allocation vectors that are binary matched

**Usage**

```
resultsBinaryMatchThenGreedySearch(  
  obj,  
  num_vectors = NULL,  
  compute_obj_vals = FALSE,  
  form = "one_zero",  
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>obj</code>	The <code>binary_then_greedy_experimental_design</code> object where the pairs are computed.
<code>num_vectors</code>	How many random allocation vectors you wish to return. The default is <code>NULL</code> indicating you want all of them.
<code>compute_obj_vals</code>	Should we compute all the objective values for each allocation? Default is <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.
<code>use_safe_inverse</code>	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is <code>FALSE</code> .

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
set.seed(1)  
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)  
obj = initBinaryMatchFollowedByGreedyExperimentalDesignSearchObject(  
  X,  
  max_designs = 4,  
  num_cores = 1,  
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
```

```

    start = TRUE,
    wait = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE
  )
  res = resultsBinaryMatchThenGreedySearch(obj, num_vectors = 3, form = "one_zero")
  dim(res$indicTs)

## End(Not run)

```

---

`resultsBinaryMatchThenRerandomizationSearch`

*Returns unique allocation vectors that are binary matched*

---

### Description

Returns unique allocation vectors that are binary matched

### Usage

```

resultsBinaryMatchThenRerandomizationSearch(
  obj,
  num_vectors = NULL,
  compute_obj_vals = FALSE,
  form = "one_zero",
  use_safe_inverse = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

<code>obj</code>	The <code>binary_then_greedy_experimental_design</code> object where the pairs are computed.
<code>num_vectors</code>	How many random allocation vectors you wish to return. The default is <code>NULL</code> indicating you want all of them.
<code>compute_obj_vals</code>	Should we compute all the objective values for each allocation? Default is <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.
<code>use_safe_inverse</code>	Should a regularized inverse be used for the Mahalanobis objective? Default is <code>FALSE</code> .

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(16), nrow = 8)
obj = initBinaryMatchFollowedByRerandomizationDesignSearchObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 4,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  obj_val_cutoff_to_include = Inf,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
res = resultsBinaryMatchThenRerandomizationSearch(obj, num_vectors = 3, form = "one_zero")
dim(res$indicTs)

## End(Not run)
```

---

resultsGreedySearch    *Returns the results (thus far) of the greedy design search*

---

**Description**

Returns the results (thus far) of the greedy design search

**Usage**

```
resultsGreedySearch(obj, max_vectors = 9, form = "one_zero")
```

**Arguments**

obj	The greedy_experimental_design object that is currently running the search
max_vectors	The number of design vectors you wish to return. NULL returns all of them. This is not recommended as returning over 1,000 vectors is time-intensive. The default is 9.
form	Which form should it be in? The default is one_zero for 1/0's or pos_one_min_one for +1/-1's.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 5,
  num_cores = 1,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
res = resultsGreedySearch(ged, max_vectors = 2)
res$obj_vals

## End(Not run)
```

---

resultsGurobiNumericalOptimizeSearch  
*Query the Gurobi Results*

---

**Description**

Returns the results (thus far) of the Gurobi numerical optimization design search

**Usage**

```
resultsGurobiNumericalOptimizeSearch(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj                   The gurobi\_numerical\_optimization\_experimental\_design\_search object that is currently running the search

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
if ("gurobi" %in% loadedNamespaces()) {
  set.seed(1)
  X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
  gobj = initGurobiNumericalOptimizationExperimentalDesignObject(
    X,
    r = 2,
    num_cores = 1,
```

```
    initial_time_limit_sec = 5,  
    verbose = FALSE  
  )  
  res = resultsGurobiNumericalOptimizeSearch(gobj)  
  res$obj_vals  
}  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

resultsKarpSearch      *Returns the results (thus far) of the karp design search*

---

### Description

Returns the results (thus far) of the karp design search

### Usage

```
resultsKarpSearch(obj)
```

### Arguments

obj                    The karp\_experimental\_design object that is currently running the search

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
set.seed(1)  
X = matrix(rnorm(10), nrow = 10)  
kobj = initKarpExperimentalDesignObject(  
  X,  
  start = TRUE,  
  wait = TRUE,  
  balanced = TRUE,  
  verbose = FALSE  
)  
res = resultsKarpSearch(kobj)  
res$obj_val  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

`resultsMultipleKernelGreedySearch`*Returns the results of a greedy multiple kernel search*

---

**Description**

Returns the results of a greedy multiple kernel search

**Usage**

```
resultsMultipleKernelGreedySearch(obj, max_vectors = NULL, form = "one_zero")
```

**Arguments**

<code>obj</code>	The <code>greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design</code> object where the search was run.
<code>max_vectors</code>	How many random allocation vectors you wish to return. The default is <code>NULL</code> indicating you want all of them.
<code>form</code>	Which form should it be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(MASS)
data(Boston)
#pretend the Boston data was an experiment setting
#first pull out the covariates
X = Boston[, 1 : 13]
#begin the greedy design search
mk = initGreedyMultipleKernelExperimentalDesignObject(X,
max_designs = 100, num_cores = 3, kernel_names = c("mahalanobis", "gaussian"))
#wait
res = resultsMultipleKernelGreedySearch(mk, max_vectors = 2, form = "one_zero")
res$obj_vals

## End(Not run)
```

---

resultsOptimalSearch *Returns the results (thus far) of the optimal design search*

---

### Description

Returns the results (thus far) of the optimal design search

### Usage

```
resultsOptimalSearch(obj, num_vectors = 2, form = "one_zero")
```

### Arguments

obj	The optimal_experimental_design object that is currently running the search
num_vectors	How many allocation vectors you wish to return. The default is 1 meaning the best vector. If Inf, it means all vectors.
form	Which form should it be in? The default is one_zero for 1/0's or pos_one_min_one for +1/-1's.

### Author(s)

Adam Kapelner

### Examples

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)
obj = initOptimalExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
res = resultsOptimalSearch(obj, num_vectors = 2, form = "one_zero")
res$opt_obj_val

## End(Not run)
```

---

`resultsRerandomizationSearch`*Returns the results (thus far) of the rerandomization design search*

---

**Description**

Returns the results (thus far) of the rerandomization design search

**Usage**

```
resultsRerandomizationSearch(  
  obj,  
  include_assignments = FALSE,  
  form = "one_zero"  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>obj</code>	The <code>rerandomization_experimental_design</code> object that is currently running the search
<code>include_assignments</code>	Do we include the assignments (takes time) and default is FALSE.
<code>form</code>	Which form should the assignments be in? The default is <code>one_zero</code> for 1/0's or <code>pos_one_min_one</code> for +1/-1's.

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
set.seed(1)  
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)  
obj = initRerandomizationExperimentalDesignObject(  
  X,  
  max_designs = 5,  
  num_cores = 1,  
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",  
  obj_val_cutoff_to_include = Inf,  
  start = TRUE,  
  wait = TRUE,  
  verbose = FALSE  
)  
res = resultsRerandomizationSearch(obj, include_assignments = TRUE, form = "one_zero")  
dim(res$ending_indicTs)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

safe_cov_inverse	<i>Computes a numerically stable inverse of a covariance matrix</i>
------------------	---

---

**Description**

Computes a numerically stable inverse of a covariance matrix

**Usage**

```
safe_cov_inverse(X, ridge = 1e-08, max_ridge_steps = 6)
```

**Arguments**

X	The n x p design matrix
ridge	Initial ridge penalty added to the diagonal
max_ridge_steps	Maximum number of ridge escalation attempts

**Value**

The inverse covariance matrix

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)  
Sinv = safe_cov_inverse(X)  
dim(Sinv)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

searchTimeElapsed	<i>Returns the amount of time elapsed</i>
-------------------	---

---

**Description**

Returns the amount of time elapsed

**Usage**

```
searchTimeElapsed(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj                    The experimental\_design object that is currently running the search

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 1,
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = TRUE,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  verbose = FALSE
)
searchTimeElapsed(ged)

## End(Not run)
```

---

shuffle\_cpp\_wrap            *Shuffles a vector rapidly*

---

**Description**

Shuffles a vector rapidly

**Usage**

```
shuffle_cpp_wrap(w, seed = NA_integer_)
```

**Arguments**

w                    The vector to be shuffled  
seed                 Optional integer seed; use NA to draw from the system clock

**Value**

The vector with elements shuffled

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
shuffle_cpp_wrap(1:5, seed = 1)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

standardize\_data\_matrix

*Standardizes the columns of a data matrix.*

---

**Description**

Standardizes the columns of a data matrix.

**Usage**

```
standardize_data_matrix(X)
```

**Arguments**

X                    The n x p design matrix

**Value**

The n x p design matrix with columns standardized

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
X = matrix(rnorm(12), nrow = 6)  
Xstd = standardize_data_matrix(X)  
colMeans(Xstd)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

startSearch                    *Starts the parallelized greedy design search.*

---

**Description**

Once begun, this function cannot be run again.

**Usage**

```
startSearch(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj                    The experimental\_design object that will be running the search

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 3,
  num_cores = 1,
  start = FALSE,
  wait = FALSE,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  verbose = FALSE
)
startSearch(ged)
stopSearch(ged)

## End(Not run)
```

---

stopSearch                    *Stops the parallelized greedy design search.*

---

**Description**

Once stopped, it cannot be restarted.

**Usage**

```
stopSearch(obj)
```

**Arguments**

obj                    The experimental\_design object that is currently running the search

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
set.seed(1)
X = matrix(rnorm(20), nrow = 10)
ged = initGreedyExperimentalDesignObject(
  X,
  max_designs = 3,
  num_cores = 1,
  start = TRUE,
  wait = FALSE,
  objective = "abs_sum_diff",
  verbose = FALSE
)
stopSearch(ged)

## End(Not run)
```

---

summary.binary\_match\_structure

*Prints a summary of a binary\_match\_structure object*

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a binary\_match\_structure object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_match_structure'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object                The binary\_match\_structure object to be summarized in the console  
...                    Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

```
summary.binary_then_greedy_experimental_design
```

```
Prints a summary of a binary_then_greedy_experimental_design
object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a binary\_then\_greedy\_experimental\_design object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_then_greedy_experimental_design'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The binary_then_greedy_experimental_design object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
summary.binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design
```

```
Prints a summary of a binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design
object
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a binary\_then\_rerandomization\_experimental\_design object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The binary_then_rerandomization_experimental_design object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

---

```
summary.greedy_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a greedy_experimental_design_search ob-
    ject
```

---

**Description**

Prints a summary of a greedy\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_experimental_design_search'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The greedy_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

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```
summary.greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
    Prints a summary of a greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design
    object
```

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**Description**

Prints a summary of a greedy\_multiple\_kernel\_experimental\_design object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The greedy_multiple_kernel_experimental_design object to be summarized in the console
...	Optional arguments for the summary function

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```
summary.karp_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a karp_experimental_design_search object
```

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**Description**

Prints a summary of a karp\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'karp_experimental_design_search'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The karp_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

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```
summary.optimal_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a optimal_experimental_design_search object
```

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**Description**

Prints a summary of a optimal\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'optimal_experimental_design_search'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The optimal_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

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```
summary.pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search
    object
```

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**Description**

Prints a summary of a pairwise\_matching\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The pairwise_matching_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

**Author(s)**

Adam Kapelner

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```
summary.rerandomization_experimental_design_search
    Prints a summary of a rerandomization_experimental_design_search
    object
```

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**Description**

Prints a summary of a rerandomization\_experimental\_design\_search object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'rerandomization_experimental_design_search'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	The rerandomization_experimental_design_search object to be summarized in the console
...	Other parameters to pass to the default summary function

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