

Adaptive Algorithms for Relaxed Pareto Set Identification

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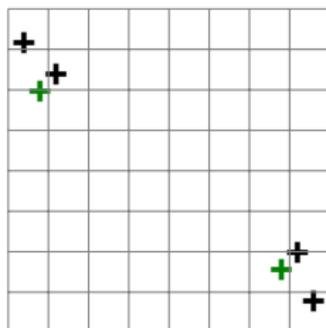
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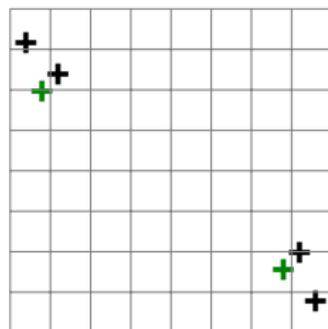
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Our contribution: a single sampling strategy to tackle the three relaxations simultaneously.

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💡 c_t is the "most likely to be dominating (or close to)" b_t

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	Stopping condition	Recommendation	Objective
τ_{ε_1}	$Z_1^{\varepsilon_1}(t) > 0 \wedge Z_2^{\varepsilon_1}(t) > 0$	$S(\tau_{\varepsilon_1}) \cup W(\tau_{\varepsilon_1})$	ε_1 -PSI
$\tau_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}$	$Z_1^{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}(t) > 0 \wedge Z_2^{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2}(t) > 0$	$\text{OPT}^{\varepsilon_1}(\tau_{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2})$	$(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$ -PSI
τ^k	$ \text{OPT}^{\varepsilon_1}(t) \geq k$	$\text{OPT}^{\varepsilon_1}(\tau^k)$	ε_1 -PSI- k

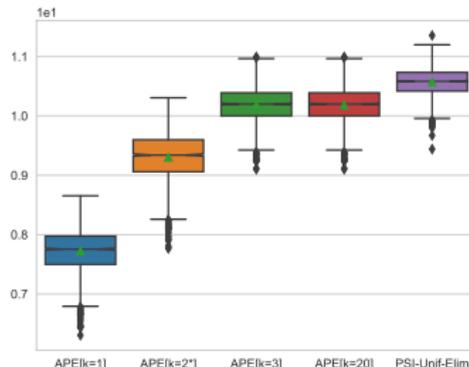
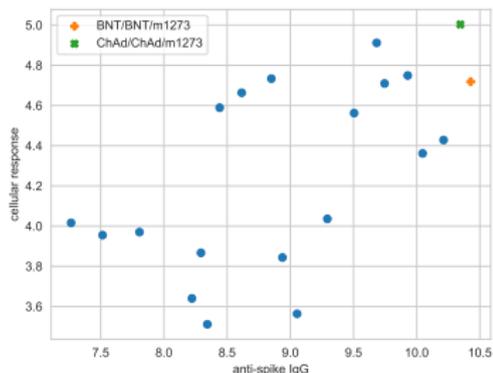
with $W(t) := \{i \in S(\tau_{\varepsilon_1})^c : \nexists j \neq i : M^+(i, j, \tau_{\varepsilon_1}) < 0\}$

Experiments

We benchmarked our algorithms against the state-of-the-art on real-world and synthetic datasets

Real-world scenario (COV-BOOST trial (Munro et al. 2021)):

- + **Arms**: 20 covid vaccines
- + **Measures**: 3 immunogenicity indicators (2 indicators of antibody and 1 of cellular response)



💡 **k-relaxation reduces the sample complexity**

Conclusion and Future Work

- + We proposed APE, an adaptive sampling rule that can be coupled with different stopping rules
- + We proved the reductions in sample complexity brought by the relaxations
- + We showcased the good performance of our algorithms compared to the state-of-the-art

Future working directions include

- + Identify the Pareto set given a small budget
- + Use component-wise slack $\varepsilon := (\varepsilon^1, \dots, \varepsilon^D)$