

Ein universelles Bayes-Design für einarmige Phase II-Studien mit binärem zeitlich erfasstem Endpunkt

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1. The Retinoblastoma Trial

- Retinoblastoma:
rare, rapidly developing malignant tumor of the eye in children
- 10 patients per year
- Single-arm Phase II trial:
Efficacy of intra-arterial chemotherapy with carboplatin
- Primary outcome: 6 months event-free eye survival (EFES)
- H_0 : unacceptable response
EFES ≤ 0.4
event rate $p \geq 0.6$

versus

H_1 : desirable response
EFES ≥ 0.6
event rate $p \leq 0.4$
- $\alpha = \beta = 0.1$
- Interim analysis with futility stop

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2. Long-Term Binary Endpoint

a. Suspend Recruitment: Simon Design

Simon Optimal Design

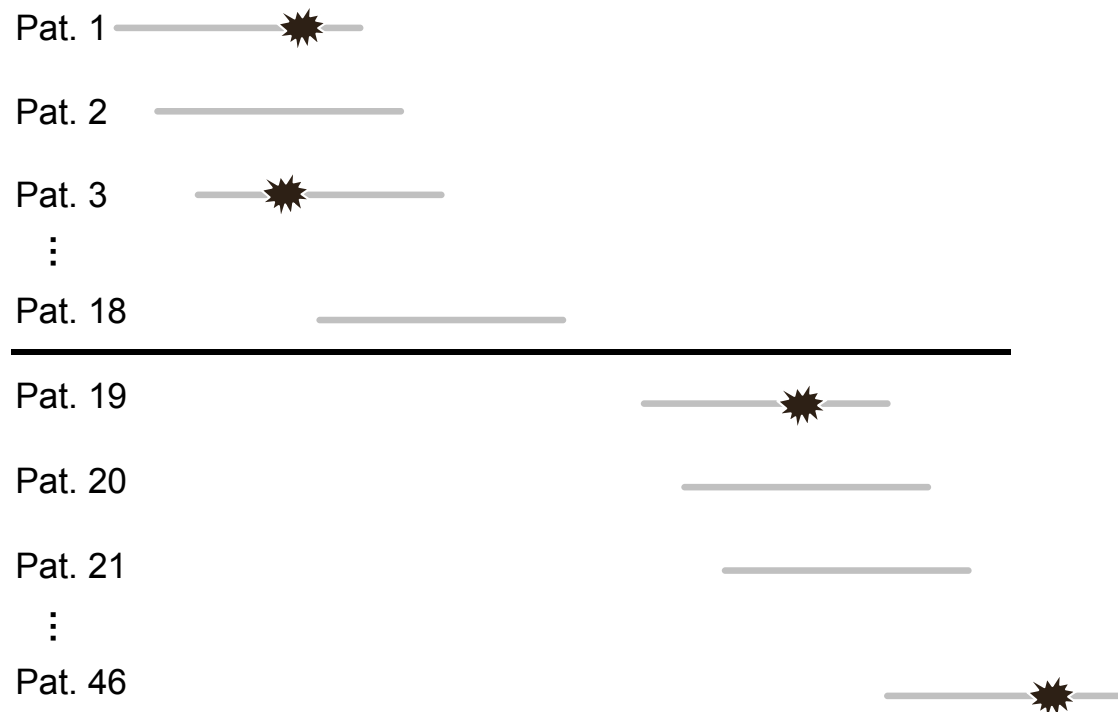
1st stage: 18 patients

- If $\geq 11/18$ events $\Rightarrow$ Futility stop,
Reject drug

- If $\leq 10/18$ events $\Rightarrow$ Continue to 2nd stage

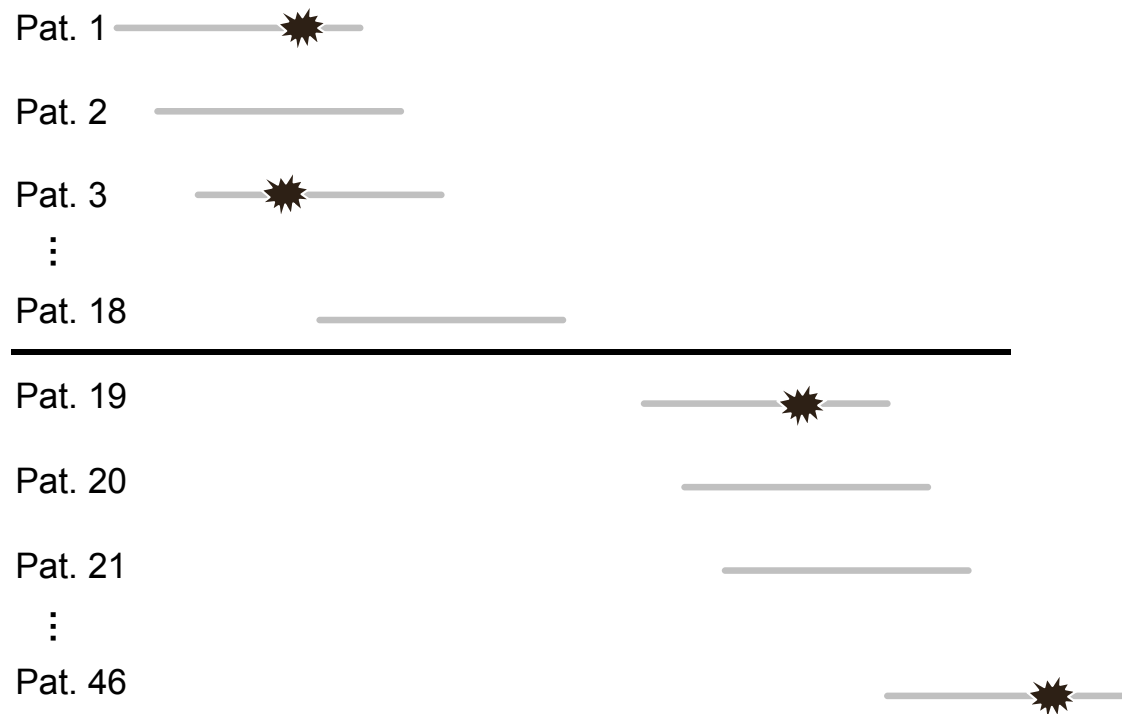
2nd stage: +28 patients ($\Rightarrow \Sigma=46$ patients)

- If $\geq 24/46$ events $\Rightarrow$ Reject drug
- If $\leq 23/46$ events $\Rightarrow$ Accept drug,
Reject H_0



2. Long-Term Binary Endpoint

a. Suspend Recruitment: Bayesian Approach



Bayesian Beta-Binomial Model

Interim analysis: $n = 18$ patients

$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ event indicator

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Data model: } \text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) = p \\ \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) = 1-p \\ \text{Noninformative prior: } f(p) = I_{[0,1]}(p) \end{array} \right.$$

$\Rightarrow$ Posterior $f(p|x_1, \dots, x_n) =$

$$= f(x_1, \dots, x_n, p) / f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$= f(x_1, \dots, x_n | p) \cdot f(p) / f(x)$$

$$\propto \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=x_i|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

$$= \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{with event}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) \cdot \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{without event} \\ \text{during 6 mo follow-up}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

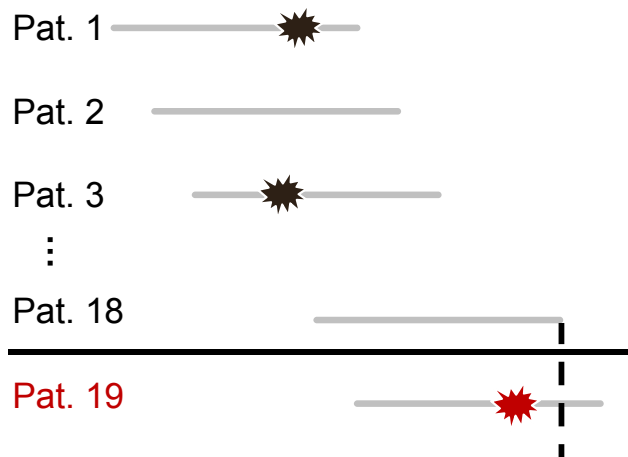
$$= p^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1-p)^{n-\sum x_i} \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

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b. Continue Recruitment: Bayesian Approach...



Bayesian Model

Interim analysis: $n = 48$ **19** patients

$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ event indicator

{ **Patients i with event:** $\text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) = p$
 Pat w/o event during 6 mo follow-up: $\text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) = 1-p$
 Noninformative prior: $f(p) = I_{[0,1]}(p)$

$\Rightarrow$ Posterior $f(p|x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=x_i|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$

$$= \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) \cdot \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

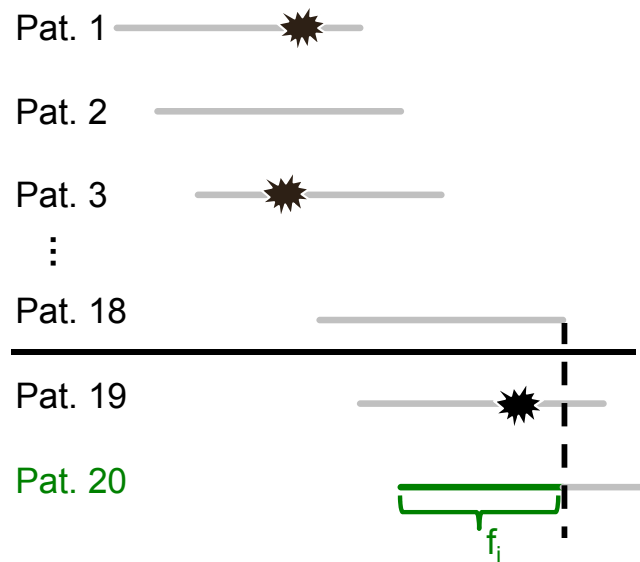
Patients i
with event

Patients i
without event
during 6 mo follow-up

$$= p^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1-p)^{n-\sum x_i} \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

2. Long-Term Binary Endpoint

b. Continue Recruitment: Bayesian Approach...



Bayesian Model

Interim analysis: $n = 18\ 19\ 20$ patients

$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ event indicator

Patients i with event: $\text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) = p$
 Pat w/o event during 6 mo follow-up: $\text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) = 1-p$
Pat w/o event, follow-up $f_i < 6\text{mo}$: $\text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) = 1 - p \cdot f_i/6$
 Noninformative prior: $f(p) = I_{[0,1]}(p)$

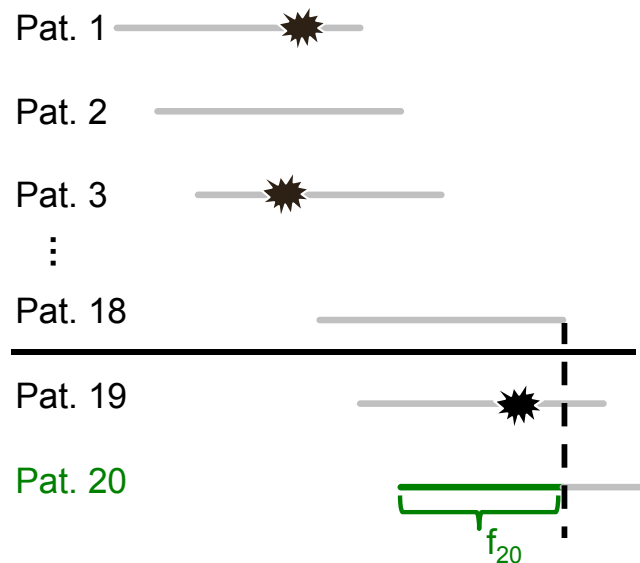
$\Rightarrow$ Posterior $f(p|x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=x_i|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$

$$= \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{with event}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) \cdot \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{without event} \\ \text{during 6 mo follow-up}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) \cdot \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{without event} \\ \text{during follow-up } f_i < 6\text{mo}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

$$= p^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1-p)^{\#\text{no event in 6mo fu}} \cdot \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{without event} \\ \text{during follow-up } f_i < 6\text{mo}}} (1 - p \cdot f_i/6) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$$

2. Long-Term Binary Endpoint

b. Continue Recruitment: Bayesian Approach (!)



Bayesian Model

Interim analysis: $n = 18 \ 19 \ 20$ patients

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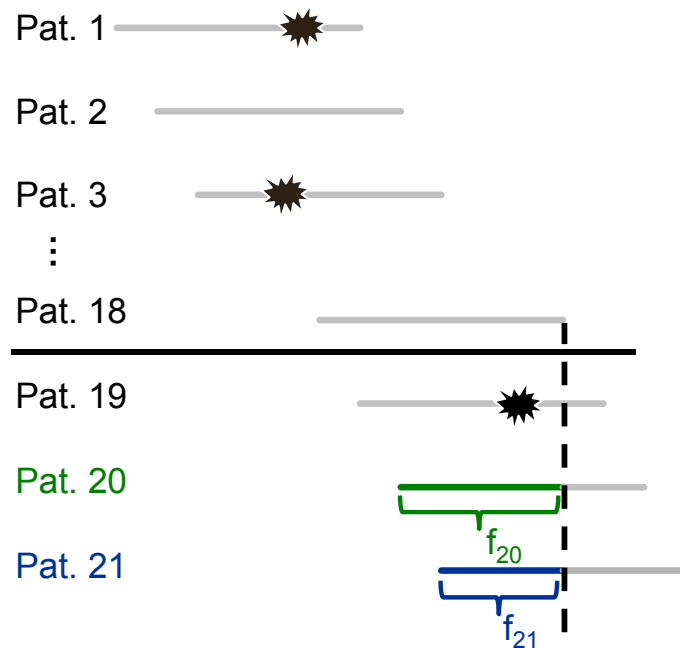
Patients i with event: $\text{Prob}(X_i=1|p, p_{20}) = p$
 Pat w/o event during 6 mo follow-up: $\text{Prob}(X_i=0|p, p_{20}) = 1-p$
 Pat w/o event, follow-up $f_{20} < 6\text{mo}$: $\text{Prob}(X_{20}=0|p, p_{20}) = 1-p_{20}$
 Noninf. prior: $f(p, p_{20}) = f(p_{20}|p) \cdot f(p) = 1/p \cdot I_{[0,p]}(p_{20}) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Posterior } f(p, p_{20}|x_1, \dots, x_n) &\propto \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=x_i|p, p_{20}) \cdot f(p, p_{20}) \\ &= \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{with event}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=1|p) \cdot \prod_{\substack{\text{Patients } i \\ \text{without event} \\ \text{during 6 mo follow-up}}} \text{Prob}(X_i=0|p) \cdot \text{Prob}(X_{20}=0|p_{20}) \cdot f(p, p_{20}) \\ &= p^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1-p)^{n-\sum x_i-1} \cdot (1-p_{20}) \cdot 1/p \cdot I_{[0,p]}(p_{20}) \cdot I_{[0,1]}(p) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Posterior } f(p|x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int f(p, p_{20}|x_1, \dots, x_n) dp_{20}$$

2. Long-Term Binary Endpoint

b. Continue Recruitment: Bayesian Approach (!)



Bayesian Model

Interim analysis: $n = 18 \ 19 \ 20 \text{--} 21$ patients

$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ event indicator

Patients i with event: $\text{Prb}(X_i=1|p, p_{20}, p_{21}) = p$
 Pat w/o event during 6 mo foll-up: $\text{Prb}(X_i=0|p, p_{20}, p_{21}) = 1-p$
 Pat w/o event, follow-up $f_{20} < 6\text{mo}$: $\text{Prb}(X_{20}=0|p, p_{20}, p_{21}) = 1-p_{20}$
 Pat w/o event, follow-up $f_{21} < 6\text{mo}$: $\text{Prb}(X_{21}=0|p, p_{20}, p_{21}) = 1-p_{21}$
 Prior: $f(p, p_{20}, p_{21}) = f(p_{21}|p_{20}, p) \cdot f(p_{20}|p) \cdot f(p)$
 $= 1/p_{20} \cdot I_{[0, p_{20}]}(p_{21}) \cdot 1/p \cdot I_{[0, p]}(p_{20}) \cdot I_{[0, 1]}(p)$

$\Rightarrow$ Posterior $f(p, p_{20}, p_{21}|x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto$

$\propto \prod \text{Prob}(X_i=x_i|p, p_{20}, p_{21}) \cdot f(p, p_{20}, p_{21})$

$= p^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1-p)^{n-\sum x_i-2} \cdot (1-p_{20}) \cdot (1-p_{21}) \cdot 1/p_{20} I_{[0, p_{20}]}(p_{21}) \cdot 1/p I_{[0, p]}(p_{20}) \cdot I_{[0, 1]}(p)$

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Interim analysis: $\propto f_{\text{interim}}(p|x_1, \dots, x_n)$

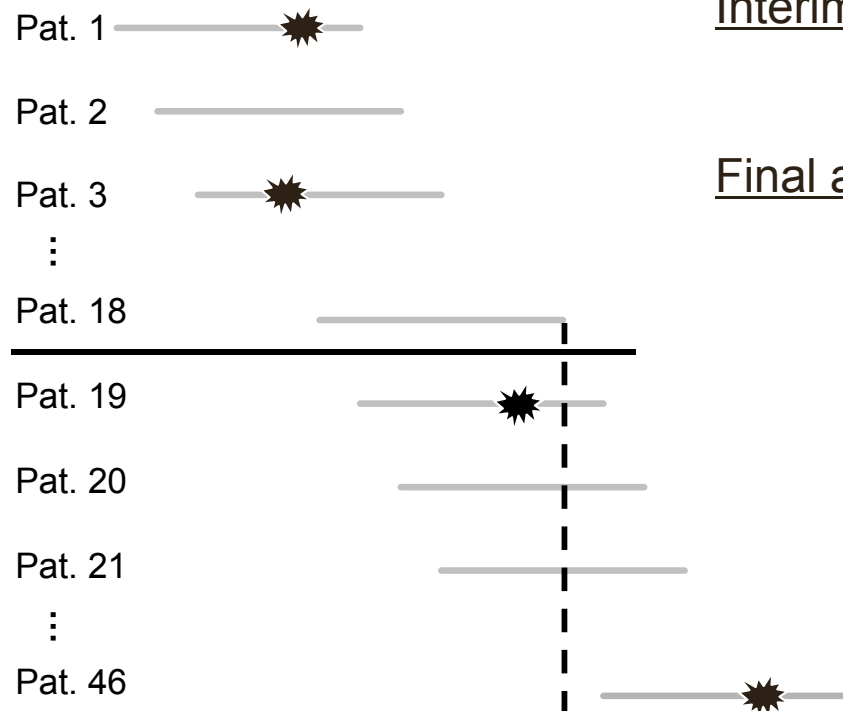
If $\text{Prob}_{\text{interim}}(EFES \geq 0.6) \leq 0.025 \Rightarrow$ Futility Stop

Final analysis: $\propto f_{\text{final}}(p|x_1, \dots, x_n)$

If $\text{Prob}_{\text{final}}(EFES \leq 0.4) < 0.1 \Rightarrow$ Reject H_0 ,

Accept drug

If $\text{Prob}_{\text{final}}(EFES \leq 0.4) \geq 0.1 \Rightarrow$ Reject drug



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3. Simulation (1)

- 100.000 runs

	Design	Futility Stop		Prob(Reject H_0)	
		H_0	H_1	H_0	H_1
Suspend Recruitment	Simon	0.565	0.058	0.094	0.901
	Bayes	0.373	0.020	0.104	0.927
Continue Recruitment	Bayes	0.486	0.033	0.100	0.919

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Case and Morgan 2003

- Case and Morgan. Design of Phase II cancer trials evaluating survival probabilities. *BMC Medical Research Methodology* 2003, **3**:6.
- Straightforward extension of Simon's Design to time-to-event data
- Test statistics based on the Nelson-Aalen estimate of the cumulative hazard function evaluated at the interim (Z_1) and final analysis (Z_2)
- Assumptions regarding the expected survival distribution and accrual rate
 - $(Z_1, Z_2) \sim$ multivariate normal with correlation ρ
 - Determine critical values of futility stop (C_1) and final analysis (C_2), satisfying type I and type II error constraints
 - Choose design with either minimal sample size or minimal expected total study length under H_0

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3. Simulation (2)

- Exponential survival, 100.000 runs

Design	Futility Stop		Prob(Reject H_0)	
	H_0	H_1	H_0	H_1
Case and Morgan 2003, assuming exponential survival	0.479	0.060	0.096	0.895
Bayes	0.409	0.039	0.100	0.911

- Weibull survival, 100.000 runs

Design	Futility Stop		Prob(Reject H_0)	
	H_0	H_1	H_0	H_1
Case and Morgan 2003, assuming exponential survival	0.478	0.063	0.096	0.892
Bayes	0.339	0.028	0.103	0.919

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The presented Bayesian approach

- ... is at least as good as other existing approaches
- ... does not require parametric model assumptions
- ... has transparent decision rules