Dear Editor,

We submit a new revised version of the manuscript entitled: “CEoptim: Cross-Entropy R Package for Optimization.” co-authored by Tim Benham, Qibin Duan, Dirk P. Kroese and Benoit Liquet for publication in Journal of Statistical Software. We greatly appreciate your careful reading of the paper, your useful comments and the suggestions of the reviewers in order to improve the manuscript. We try to follow all of them and we think that this revised version reflects all the comments. We give in the following our point by point responses to the remarks of the associate editor.
1. The authors claim to have "carefully corrected the "sloppy" English" yet I found:
   on page 5: advantageous consider and ... number optimization scenarios
   page 7: linear constraint linear constraint
   page 9: since this is 5 dimensional problem
   page 14: check that fitted curve

   and several other sloppy sentences on pages 19, 21, 23, 24, 27 (that I could see)

   These have to be corrected

   Response: We carefully corrected the "sloppy" English and made the following corrections:
   abstract – missing “a”
   p.3 – wording "deliberately" vice "purposely"
   p.4 – delete word "one such [is] modification" p.5 – delete "Please"
   p.5 – insert word "advantageous [to] consider”
   p.5 – insert word "number [of] optimization“
   p.5 – "degenerated” is replaced by "degenerate”
   p.6 – delete unnecessary parenthetic commas
   p.7 – delete linear constraint
   p.8 – reworded return list description slightly
   p.8 – use subjunctive for recommendations
   p.9 – missing ",". We changed "since this is 5 dimensional problem" by "since this is a 5-dimensional problem"
   p.10 – "The user"
   p.10 – "print" is code
   p.13 – move "also"
   p.13 – removed comma
   p.14 – "check that fitted curve” is replaced by "may confirm that the fitted curve”
   p.18 – remove "for" and expand sentence describing multiple runs
   p.19 – reword sentence describing dirichlet sample
   p.19 – reword sentence describing constraint
   p.21 – reword test data description
   p.22 – "our function” is replaced by "CEoptim”
   p.23 – reword paragraph 2
   p.27 – "examples”

2. Reviewer 1 requested to cite the different packages used AND the R software. => the packages are now cited, but the R-software is still not cited.

   Response: The R-software is now cited.