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Application of Methods of Statistical Analysis
to Company Standardization Work

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"Dr. Shewhart will outline the theoretical
background and the potential contributions
of the statistical method."

Industrial Standardization

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Purpose of Discussion

As a background for the Forum discussion today, Dr. Gaillard asked me to give a brief outline of what he termed the theoretical basis for the application of statistical method in company standardization work. Years of experience have taught me that perhaps the best kind of sleeping potion for an engineering audience is the phrase "theoretical basis". Perhaps Dr. Gaillard felt that in these troubled times most of us are so on edge that the best way to have a successful meeting is to start it with a short period of repose. According-ly, he assigned me the job of administering the sedative. He assured me, however, that there would be some in the audience to furnish the fireworks later.

How to Govern

Act. 7

Mass Production	Scientific Method	Governmental Acts
Specification	Hypothesis	Legislative
Production	Experiment	Executive
Inspection	Test of Hypothesis	Judicial

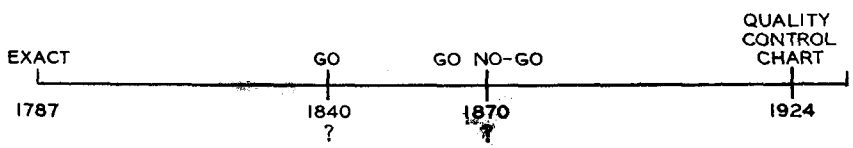
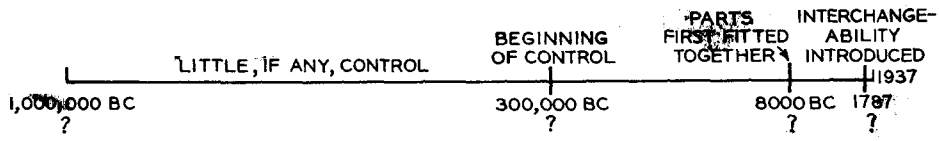
Text from the Prophets

"The possibility of improving the economy of steel to the consumer is therefore largely a matter of improving its uniformity of quality, of fitting steels better for each of the multifarious uses, rather than of any direct lessening of its cost of production."

John Johnston
Director of Research
U. S. Steel Corporation

"Thus in many directions the engineer of the future, in my judgment, must of necessity deal with a much more intimate knowledge of the materials with which he works than we have been wont to deal with in the past. As a result of this more intimate knowledge his structures will be more refined and his factors of safety in many directions are bound to be less because the old elements of uncertainty will have in large measure disappeared."

Frank B. Jewett
President
Bell Telephone Laboratories



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STATISTICIANS DREAM

Abstract concepts and theory precede understanding of facts.

Concepts of State of Statistical Control

- Goal {
- 1) Maximum Control
 - 2) Valid Prediction with limits.

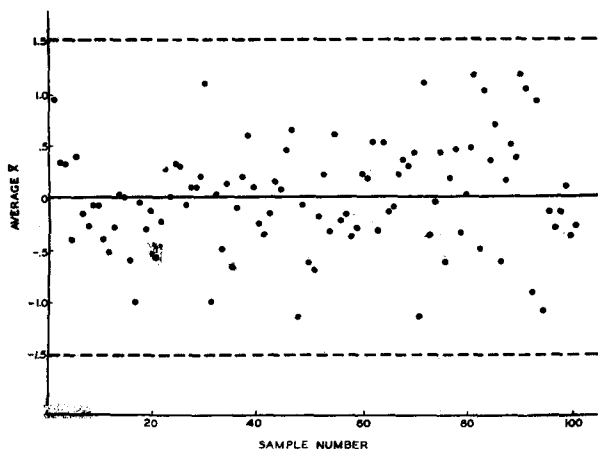
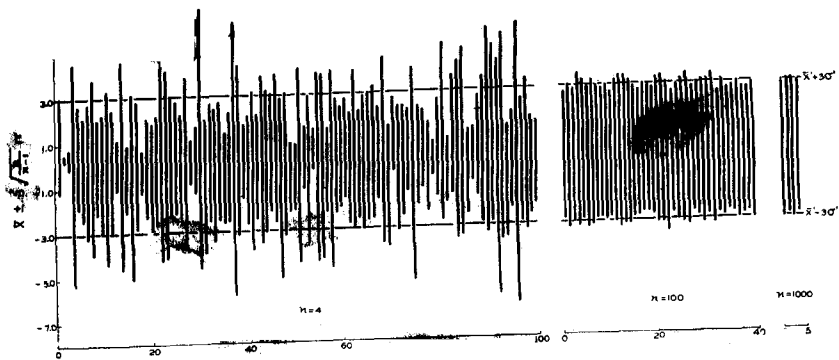


Fig. Valid prediction of statistic & its known $f(x)$ in Control.



PREDICTION - TYPE II

Fig Even if we know $f(x)$ and have control we cannot set efficient tolerance ranges.

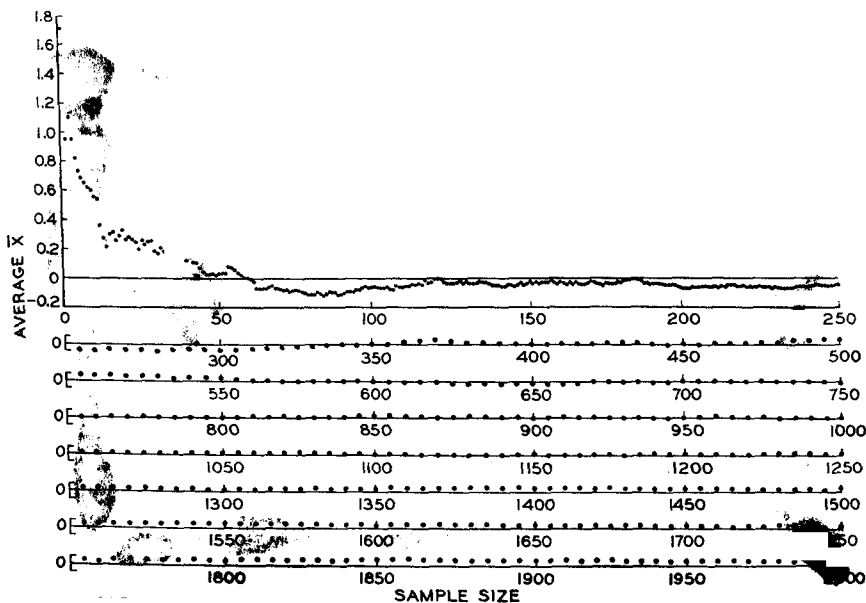


Fig Even if we have state of control we must have large samples to set efficient tolerances.

HOW ATTAIN STATE OF STATISTICAL CONTROL.

Ans. By means of the operation
Statistical Control.

Steps

1. specify how observed data are to be analysed to give clues for assignable ^{causes}
2. Specify how data are to be taken and broken up into subgroups.
3. specify criterion.
4. specify action to be taken when criterion is not met.
5. specify quantity of data.

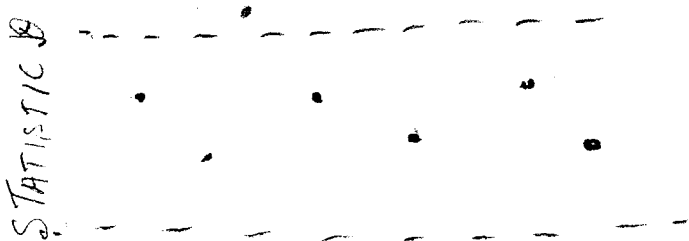


Fig - Criterion.

SPECIFICATION

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1. Tolerance range as screen.

1. Specification is of nature of hypothesis

2. Mass production based upon scientific knowledge

2. Mass production is a means of acquiring knowledge.

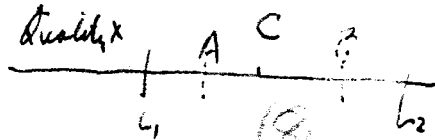
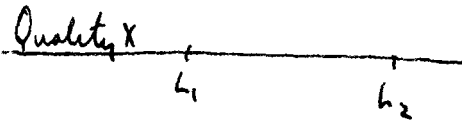
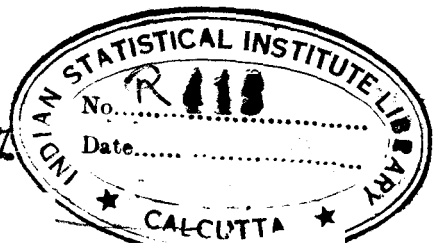


Fig -

Show importance from viewpoint of design - 100% - Overall Tolerance limits

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- 7/ about 30%



OLD

live with the demons
of chance

Examples.

1) Slide ⁷⁻³ showing 204 obs. of resistance.

2) Slide showing control charts, ^{and}
how demons were eliminated.

2) Take a lot of data
and shake well before
analyzing.

2) Take a lot of data
but do not shake
before analyzing.

Example



Evidence lost in shaking.

NEW

1) Get rid of the
demons of chance.

Old

- 1) Routine job
- 2) Screening process
separate good from bad
- 3) Eye on the product
- 4) Inspects in accord
with a standard

New

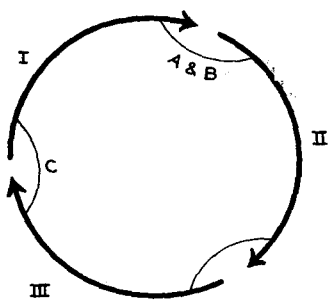
- 1) Important step in
scientific method.
- 2) Detect assignable
causes to be removed
- 3) Eye on the process.
- 4) Helps shape
standard in much
same way as a judge
helps shape the law.

CONCLUSION

Methodology



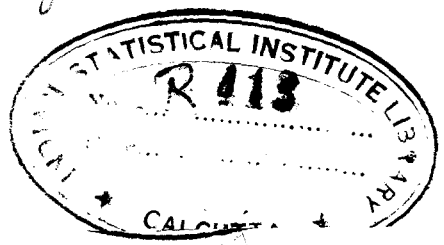
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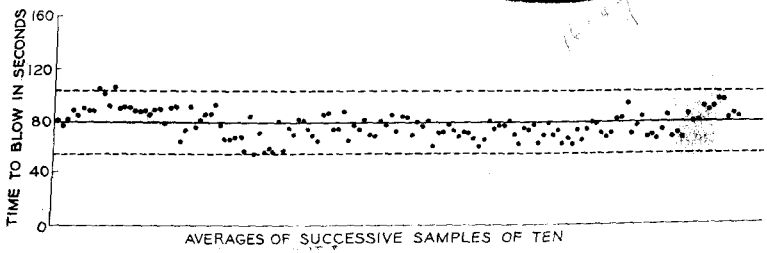
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NEW

Statistical method + Mass production
new tool of research.



Results



Control better than most refined measurements.