

CONTRIBUTION OF STATISTICS

TO THE

SCIENCE OF ENGINEERING

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STATISTICAL CONTROL IN WAR EFFORT

Why

- 1. Reduce quantity of defective material both pieceparts and finished product. Hence save material and effort.
- 2. Reduce amount of necessary inspection. Hence save time.
- 3. Reduce tolerance range where desirable to save material or attain otherwise nonattainable result.
- 4. Attain maximum assurance that quality of product that cannot be inspected 100% because of destructive nature of test, will meet specified standards.
- 5. Efficient and accurate measure of wantability in both quantity and quality operational research.

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- 1. Provide sampling plans that give satisfactory consumer and producer risks. (1st and 2nd kind of errors).
- 2. Provide satisfactory statistical control procedures in production.
- 3. Provide
 - a) Effective sampling plans to determine what is wanted (spare parts, for example) in OPERATIONAL RESEARCH.

- b) Efficient research techniques for fingerprinting assignable causes in research and development, and
- c) Techniques for setting efficient tolerance limits under statistically controlled conditions.

How (continued)

- 1. Three correlated (circular) steps in mass production (any act of control).
 - 1.1 Private Industry Slide #20472 1.2 War effort
- 2. Central position of statistics.
- 3. Two requisite kinds of statistical training.
 - 3.1 Training of men in production and inspection
 - 3.1.1 Sampling plans and control procedures.
 3.2 3.1.2 Statistical consultant.

Exhibit: B-/274; Zl.1, 1.2, 1.3.

Object of Present Discussion

- 1. Consider some of the fundamental problems in control requiring the contribution of the statistical control consultant.
- 2. Indicate the kind of training in science and mathematics needed by the statistical consultant.

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tepetitive Operation

Any experimental procedure or rule of action described in such a way that it may are carried out again and again.

Examples:

- 1. Measurement of a physical constant.
- 2. Measurement of any quality.
- 3. Production process for each of the things we eat, wear, or use in any way.

*aximum Controlled Repetitive Operation

In terms
of what
we do

Any repetitive operation carried out under what the scientist or engineer would call "the same essential conditions" or, more strictly, under conditions that he can't do anything to control the outcome.

Ideal Example: Drawing from a bowl.

In terms
of What
we get

- Slide 2 Showing table of 144 values of thinkness of relay inlays.
- $\frac{\text{Slide 3}}{21617}$ Plot of the results in Slide 2.
 - a) As they were taken.
 - b) When drawn from a bowl.

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Characteristics b) Observed distribution.

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In terms of theorretical model

- 1. Concept of system of elemental causes as characterized by a given type of distribution function.
- 2. Concept of random order.

OBJECT OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Set up rules of action such that he may make valid prediction of the results to be expected <u>if</u> such rules of action are carried out.

Fundamental Experimental Fact

If a repetitive operation is carried out again and again under presumably the same essential conditions, the results $R_1, R_2, \ldots, R_i, \ldots$ will not in general be the same.

Fundamental Problem of Valid Prediction

- 1. Limitations of deterministic laws.
- 2. Limitations of probabilistic laws.
- 3. Necessity for discovering assignable causes before valid prediction is possible.

INSPECTION - TEST OF HYPOTHESIS

Use of statistical theory as a curative means of screening product even though assignable causes are present and controlling

- 1. Errors of 1st kind. 2. Errors of 2nd kind.

Given a repetitive process

$$x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_i, \ldots x_n, \ldots$$

break up product into lots of N and from each choose a sample of n. Accept or reject on basis of number c of defects found.

Choice

- a) Lot size N
- b) Single or multiple sampling plan
- c) Sample sizes n₁, n₂, ... and rejection numbers c1, c2, ...
- d) Probabilities of errors of 1st and 2nd kind.

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ractical rules or plans

Plan of single, double, or multiple sampling developed for each specific case to be used by man on job.

Literally hundreds of plans in operation in a signle company. Many technical difficulties and practical compromises necessary.

Limitations of such sampling

Will reject more bad lots than good ones, but if quality of only one level of statistically controlled process average is offered, then accepted (uninspected portions) is no better than rejected.

One of greatest dangers is that one approaching applications from this angle will be like one of the blind men and the elephant.

He will fail to note that assurance of quality is not improved by sampling if quality is not in state of control.

Hence sampling plans should be set up so that total inspection will decrease as approach state of statistical control.

Theoretical Background Needed by Consultant

General theory of testing statistical hypotheses against errors of 1st and 2nd kinds.

	Statement Advanced		
True Situation	$\frac{H = H}{O}$	<u>H ≠ H</u> o	
H = H _O	Correct	lst kind of error	
H ≠ H _o	2nd kind of error	Correct	

Critical region - probability of 1st kind of error is size of the critical region.

Equivalent tests - those having same size critical region.

Power of test - probability of rejecting H when the true hypothesis is alternative simple hypothesis H_O.

Best critical region - that of greatest power.

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DETECTING PRESENCE OF AND FINDING

ASSIGNABLE CAUSES

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Three Fundamental Questions

- 1. Are there any assignable causes
 present?
- 2. What are the assignable causes?
- 3. What will be resultant variation when assignable causes are removed?

CONTROL CHART Procedure for Production

Problem Establish practical foolproof procedure for <u>detecting</u> presence of assignable causes.

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Prerequisites

- a) Protect against errors of 2 kinds.
- b) Indicate which trouble enters.
- c) Rigorously correct in limit as assignable causes are removed.

Importance of breaking up into small subsamples.

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Average Sigma/Q2

Fize of Subsample	Observed Sequence	Drawn from Bowl
4 12 24	12.6 14.7	16.5 17.1
36 72 144	16.4 17.3 17.3	

Importance of Sampling Theory

One illustration:

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Distribution of averages approach normality.

Tolerance sunge theren

Question 2

RUN Chart and Other Procedures for Research

Problem - Establish methods for fingerprinting assignable causes.

Here no single rule is likely.

1. Serial Correlation

Thickness in arbitrary units of inlay on 144 relay springs - data of Slide 2.

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{143}, x_{144}$$

 $x, x, \dots, \dots, x_{143}, x_{144}$

from Anderson's formula

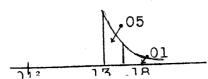
$$_{L}R_{N} = \frac{_{L}C_{N}}{V_{N}} = \frac{(X_{1}X_{L+1} + X_{2}X_{L+2} \dots X_{N}X_{L}) = (zX_{1})^{z}}{\overline{z}X_{1}^{z} - (zX_{1})^{z}/N}$$

= serial correlation coefficient for lag L and N observations.

Taking L = 1 and N = 144

$$1^{R}_{144} = \frac{274119 - 252590}{295693 - 252590} = \frac{21529}{43103} = .4995$$

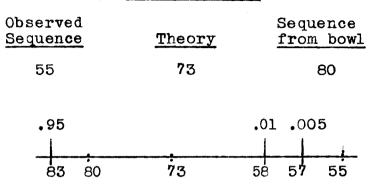
Test of significance: If no correlation exists, the probability is .01 that R will not exceed .182; .05 that it will not exceed .130.



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Criterion A

Number of Runs



Criterion B

	with run of i or more				
Length i	One side	Either side	Both side		
7	.36	.61	.20		
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Advantages of run chart

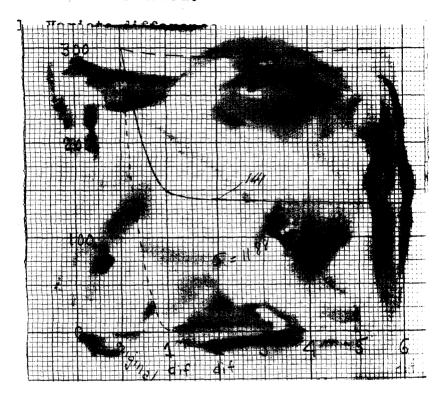
- 1. Tells where to look.
- 2. Suggests nature of cause.
- 3. No computation necessary.

Note: Runs in seven sequence of 20 give no indication of assignable causes.



Question 3

What reduction in variance if assignable causes are removed?



2. Average sigma for small samples of n

$$n = 4$$
 $\overline{sigma} = 12.6$

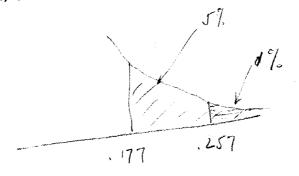
$$n = 144$$
 $\overline{sigma} = 17.5$

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for \$2 values of 1's 1-1 A

L= 1 RN=145



WHAT STATISTICAL CONSULTANT NEEDS TO KNOW

- 1. Run theory.
- 2. Other tests (characteristics of random sequence).
 - 2.1 serial correlation2.2 Wald-Wolfowitz test

 - 2.3 Analysis of variance, etc.
- 3. Effects of different kinds of causes on types of runs.
 - 3.1 Erratic effects.
 - 3.2 Running average effects.
 - 3.3 etc.

Note

None of this available in book form. Many tables unpublished, Much more needs to be done.

SETTING TOLERANCE LIMITS

roblem

- First attain state of statistical control.
- 2. Then set economic tolerance limits.

Fundamental problem in all applied science.

Valid Tolerance Range Prediction

- 1. Given sample of n from controlled state.
- 2. Set limits that will cut off on the average \overline{P}^* of universe.

2.1 For max - min limits

$$\frac{(1-\overline{P}')(n+1)}{2} = 1 \tag{1}$$

2.2 If normal

$$\overline{X} \pm t_{\overline{P}} \sqrt{(n+1)/n} \sqrt{n/(n-1)}$$
 sigma

(2)

Example 2.1 n = 100 P' = 99/101 = .980Observed in 40 samples of 100:

P1 = .984
P2 = .988
P3 = .980
$$\overline{P}$$
 = .9799

P40= 993

Example 2.2

n = 100.

Choose $\overline{P}' = .900$ in Fisher's tables, then $t_{\overline{P}}$, = 1.662.

For forty samples of 100, percent P included between $\overline{X} \pm 1.668$ sigma, was as follows:

$$P_1 = .8804$$
 $P_2 = .9170$
 $P_3 = .8997$

$$\overline{P} = .9001$$

Theoretically 40 \underline{x} .68 = 27.2 should fall within the range \overline{P}^{t} \pm 1 sigma_p.

Of the 40 samples of 100, 29 observed P's fell within these limits, where

$$sigma_{\overline{p}} = \frac{t_{\overline{p}}^2, e^{-t_{\overline{p}}}}{Pi n}$$

= .0236 when n = 40

3. Compute for Max-min range probability that neither tail will cut off more than fraction e

For n = 40 and $\overline{P}^* = .9802$, $P_e = .99$

Example:

Expected number of ranges cutting e = .05 is .99x40 = 39.6.

Observed number = 39.

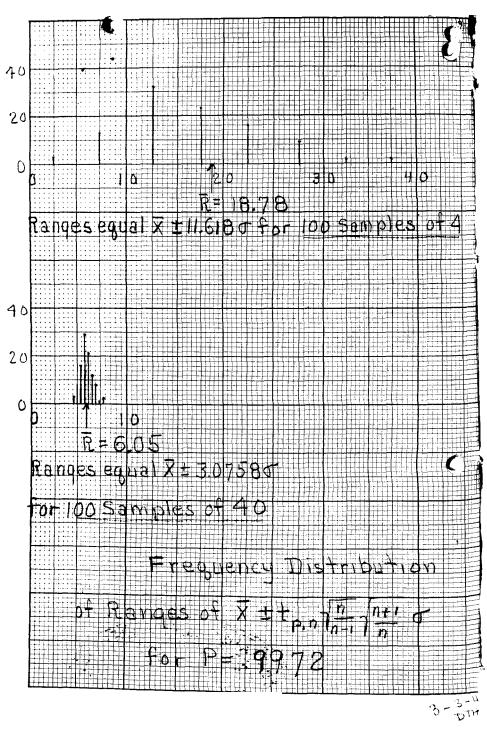
Saving Material

Even though, for a given n, both \overline{P}^* and P_e^* can be fixed satisfactorily, nevertheless we may want to close up tolerances to save material.

Discuss attached figure.

Difference Between Valid Prediction for tolerance range and Confidence Range

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B. Analysis of variance W. A. SHEWHART'S COLLECTION

	Significant at			
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of size	Level	Level		
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4		✓		
12		√		
36		✓		

4. Some Disadvantages of such Tests

1. Long Computations.

2. Even though statistical significance is indicated, there is no indication of kind of trouble and where it comes in.

5. Run Chart

1. Runs up and down.

2. Runs above and below some percentile value.

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Observe runs of 8, 13, 7,7, if median is used instead of average.

