

**Quiz Practice Questions 2 (Attendance 4) for Statistics 513**  
**Statistical Control Theory**  
**Material Covered: Chapter 5 Montgomery and Kuhn**

These are practice questions for the quiz. The quiz (not the practice questions) is worth 5% and marked out of 5 points. One or more questions is closely, but not necessarily exactly, related to one or more of these questions will appear on the quiz. These practice questions are *not* to be handed in. Quizzes are to be done *using Vista* on the Internet **before** 4am (West Lafayette time!) of the date of the quiz. Vista will *not* allow any quiz to be done late. It is *highly* recommended that you complete this practice quiz, by hand, *before* logging onto Vista. The quiz is an individual one which means that each student does this quiz by themselves without help from others.

Introduction to Statistical Control Theory (Montgomery) Questions.

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(5-2)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, process capability: qz2-5-2-bearings-xrchart

(a)  *$\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart*

From SAS, the  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart for both the nominal voltage ( $x_i = (\text{volt} - 350) \times 10$ ) and actual voltage are both in statistical control with no out-of-control signals, runs, trends, or cycles.

(b) *Process capability*

From SAS<sup>1</sup>, the (estimated) process capability is

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{C}_p &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6\hat{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6(\bar{R}/d_2)} \\ &= \frac{355 - 345}{6(0.625/2.039)} \\ &\approx 5.49\end{aligned}$$

which indicates the “natural” process limits are well inside the “prescribed” specification limits (which is “good”).

(c) *Normal probability plot*

The SAS normal probability plot is more or less linear and so indicates voltage is more or less normally distributed.

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<sup>1</sup>Or by hand, using  $d_2 = 1.693$  from Appendix VI, page 761 of the text.

(5-4) more  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, process capability: qz2-5-4-thickness-xrchart

(a)  *$\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart*

From SAS, the  $\bar{x}$  chart for the circuit board thicknesses is out of statistical control for sample number 22

The  $R$  chart for the circuit board thicknesses is out of statistical control for sample number 14

(b) *Process standard deviation*

From SAS<sup>2</sup>, the (estimated) process standard deviation is

$$\hat{\sigma} = \bar{R}/d_2 \approx 0.00092/1.693 \approx 0.000543553$$

(c) *Natural process limits*

From SAS, the (estimated) natural (for one individual  $x$ ) process limits are

$$\bar{x} \pm 3\hat{\sigma} = 0.062952 \pm 3(0.000543553) \approx (0.06132, 0.06456)$$

which should include most process points.

(d) *Process capability*

From SAS<sup>3</sup>, the (estimated) process capability is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{C}_p &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6\hat{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6(\bar{R}/d_2)} \\ &= \frac{0.0645 - 0.0615}{6(0.00092/1.693)} \\ &\approx 0.91987 \end{aligned}$$

which indicates the “natural” process limits are a little outside the “prescribed” specification limits (which is “bad”); the process is not able to meet specifications.

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<sup>2</sup>Or by hand, using  $d_2 = 1.693$  from Appendix VI, page 761 of the text.

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(5-8)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $S$  chart, process capability: qz2-5-8-diameter-xschart

(a)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $S$  chart

From SAS, the  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $S$  chart for the diameters are both in statistical control with no out-of-control signals, runs, trends, or cycles.

(b) Process standard deviation

Process standard deviation is approximated here using the  $R$  chart, not the  $S$  chart information (although it could be).

From SAS<sup>4</sup>, the (estimated) process standard deviation is

$$\hat{\sigma} = \bar{R}/d_2 \approx 63.5/2.326 \approx 27.3009$$

(c) Process capability

Process capability is calculated using the  $R$  chart, not  $S$  chart information. From SAS<sup>5</sup>, the (estimated) process capability is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{C}_p &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6\hat{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6(\bar{R}/d_2)} \\ &= \frac{100 - (-100)}{6(63.5/2.326)} \\ &\approx 1.22 \end{aligned}$$

which indicates the “natural” process limits are inside the “prescribed” specification limits (which is “good”); the process is able to meet specifications.

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<sup>4</sup>Or by hand, using  $d_2 = 2.326$  from Appendix VI, page 761 of the text.

<sup>5</sup>Or by hand, using  $d_2 = 2.326$  from Appendix VI, page 761 of the text.

(5-12)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, new observations: qz2-5-12-dimension-xrchart,newobs

(a)  *$\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart*

From SAS, the  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart for the dimensions are both in statistical control with no out-of-control signals, runs, trends, or cycles.

(b) *Previous  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, new observations*

From SAS, the new observations are all above the upper control limit of the  $\bar{x}$  chart; in other words, the process has shifted upwards.

(c) *Previous  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, adjusted new observations*

From SAS, the adjusted new observations are now all below the center line and one is, in fact, now below the lower control limit of the  $\bar{x}$  chart; in other words, the adjustment has overcompensated for the upward shift.

(5-18)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $S$  chart, probability in control

(a) *Process standard deviation*

The (estimated) process standard deviation is

$$\hat{\sigma} = \bar{S}/c_4 \approx 1.5/0.9400 \approx 1.60$$

(b) *Control limits*

The (estimated) control limits for  $\bar{x}$  are

$$\bar{\bar{x}} \pm A_3\bar{S} = 20.0 \pm 1.427(1.5) \approx (17.86, 22.14)$$

The (estimated) control limits for  $S$  are

$$(B_3\bar{S}, B_4\bar{S}) = (0(1.5), 2.089(1.5)) \approx (0, 3.13)$$

(c) *Probability in control*

The probability the process is in control is equal to the probability  $\bar{x}$  falls between the upper control limit and the lower control limit,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{in control}) &= P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= P(17.86 \leq \bar{x} \leq 22.14; \mu = 22, \hat{\sigma} \approx 1.60/\sqrt{5}) \\ &= 0.5776 \end{aligned}$$

Assuming normality, it is 2nd DISTR normalcdf(17.86, 22.14, 22, 1.60/ $\sqrt{5}$ )

(5-22)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, probability of not detecting mean process shift

(a) *Control limits*

The (estimated) control limits for  $\bar{x}$  are

$$\bar{\bar{x}} \pm A_2\bar{S} = 20.0 \pm 0.577(4.56) \approx (17.37, 22.63)$$

The (estimated) control limits for  $R$  are

$$(D_3\bar{S}, D_4\bar{S}) = (0(4.56), 2.115(4.56)) \approx (0, 9.64)$$

(b) *Process standard deviation*

The (estimated) process standard deviation is

$$\hat{\sigma} = \bar{R}/d_2 \approx 4.56/2.326 \approx 1.96$$

(c) *Process capability*

The (estimated) process capability is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{C}_p &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6\hat{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6(\bar{R}/d_2)} \\ &= \frac{5 - (-5)}{6(4.56/2.326)} \\ &\approx 0.85 \end{aligned}$$

which indicates the “natural” process limits are outside the “prescribed” specification limits (which is “bad”); the process is not able to meet specifications.

(d) *Probability of not detecting mean process shift*

The probability of not detecting a mean process shift to  $\mu = 24$  is equal to the probability  $\bar{x}$  falls between the upper control limit and the lower control limit when  $\mu = 24$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{in control}) &= P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= P(17.37 \leq \bar{x} \leq 22.63; \mu = 24, \hat{\sigma} \approx 1.96/\sqrt{5}) \\ &= 0.0590 \end{aligned}$$

Assuming normality, it is 2nd DISTR normalcdf(17.86, 22.14, 22, 1.96/ $\sqrt{5}$ )

(5-24)  $\bar{x}$  chart and  $R$  chart, probability of detection of mean shift

Since  $\sigma = 6$ ,

$$\bar{R} = d_2\sigma = 2.059(6) = 12.354,$$

the (estimated) control limits for  $\bar{x}$  are

$$\bar{\bar{x}} \pm A_2\hat{R} = 100 \pm 0.729(12.354) \approx (90.994, 109.006)$$

and so the probability of detecting a mean process shift to  $\mu = 92$  is equal to one minus the probability  $\bar{x}$  falls between the upper control limit and the lower control limit when  $\mu = 92$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{detecting shift}) &= 1 - P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= 1 - P(90.994 \leq \bar{x} \leq 109.006; \mu = 92, \hat{\sigma} \approx 6/\sqrt{5}) \\ &= 0.354 \end{aligned}$$

2nd DISTR normalcdf(90.994, 109.006, 92, 6/ $\sqrt{5}$ )

**(5-34)**  $ARL_1$ 

Since  $\mu = 98$  and  $\sigma = 8$ , the probability of not detecting the first point out of control is

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{not detecting first point}) &= P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= P(96 \leq \bar{x} \leq 104; \mu = 100, \hat{\sigma} \approx 8/\sqrt{5}) \\ &= 0.6651 \end{aligned}$$

2nd DISTR normalcdf(96, 104, 100,  $8/\sqrt{5}$ )  
and so the  $ARL_1$  is

$$ARL_1 = \frac{1}{1 - \beta} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.6651} = 2.986$$

(5-42) type I error, probability of accidentally rejecting null

(a) *Type I error,  $\alpha$*

The (estimated) process standard deviation is

$$\hat{\sigma} = \bar{R}/d_2 \approx 8.91/2.970 \approx 3.000$$

The probability of being out of control, assuming  $\mu = 360$ , is

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{out of control}) &= 1 - P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= 1 - P(357 \leq \bar{x} \leq 363; \mu = 360, \hat{\sigma} \approx 3/\sqrt{9}) \\ &= 0.0026 \end{aligned}$$

2nd DISTR normalcdf(357, 363, 360, 3/ $\sqrt{9}$ )

(b) *Process capability*

The (estimated) process capability is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{C}_p &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6\hat{\sigma}} \\ &= \frac{USL - LSL}{6(\bar{R}/d_2)} \\ &= \frac{6 - (-6)}{6(8.91/2.970)} \\ &\approx 0.667 \end{aligned}$$

which indicates the “natural” process limits are outside the “prescribed” specification limits; the process is not able to meet specifications (which is “bad”).

(c) *Probability of detecting shift on first point*

The probability of not detecting the first point out of control, if shift from  $\mu = 360$  to  $\mu = 357$ , is

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{not detecting first point}) &= P(\text{LCL} \leq \bar{x} \leq \text{UCL}) \\ &= P(357 \leq \bar{x} \leq 363; \mu = 357, \hat{\sigma} \approx 3/\sqrt{9}) \\ &= 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

2nd DISTR normalcdf(357, 363, 357, 3/ $\sqrt{9}$ )

(d) *Control limits if  $\alpha = 0.01$*

If  $\alpha = 0.01$ , then  $z_{0.01/2} = 2.576$ .

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and so the control limits for  $\bar{x}$  are

$$\bar{\bar{x}} \pm z_{0.01/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = 360 \pm 2.576 \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{9}} \right) \approx (357.424, 362.576)$$

(5-50) Shewhart control chart individual measurements: qz2-5-50-oxide-irchart

(a) *individual chart and R chart*

From SAS, the individual chart and  $R$  chart for the thicknesses are both in statistical control with no out-of-control signals, runs, trends, or cycles. Also, because the normal probability plot is more or less linear, this indicates the normality assumption is reasonable.

(b) *Previous individual chart and R chart, new observations*

From SAS, the new observations are all above the center line of the individual chart and one is above the upper control limit; in other words, the process is out of control.

(c) *Previous individual chart and R chart, adjusted new observations*

From SAS, the adjusted new observations are now all both in statistical control with no out-of-control signals, runs, trends, or cycles.