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Question 2: Control Charts

Step 1: Loading Files.

The file `monitor.csv` contains comma separated data. The columns are Timestamp - the time-stamp of a model prediction being run ProcessMemory - the allocated memory (MB) of the relevant server process Prediction - the value predicted by the model PredictionTimeMS - the duration of the prediction task in milliseconds

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```
monitor_data <- read.csv("monitor.csv")
skim(monitor_data)
```

```
— Data Summary —
Name                monitor_data
Number of rows      16069
Number of columns    4

Column type frequency:
character           1
numeric             3

Group variables      None
```

skim_variable <chr>	n_missing <int>	complete_rate <dbl>	em...	n_unique <int>	whitespace <int>
1 Timestamp	0	1	19	19	0	16056	0
1 row							

skim_variable <chr>	n_missing <int>	complete_rate <dbl>	mean <dbl>	sd <dbl>	p0 <dbl>
1 ProcessMemory	0	1	9.071349	0.4034112	7.326019
2 Prediction	0	1	52.208205	9.4174825	36.010109
3 PredictionTimeMS	0	1	360.063187	81.6698211	24.343181
3 rows 1-9 of 11 columns					

Add a day-of-the-year column or something similar to marks the days.

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```
monitor_data$day_of_year <- yday(ymd_hms(monitor_data$Timestamp))
head(monitor_data)
```

Timestamp <chr>	ProcessMemory <dbl>	Prediction <dbl>	PredictionTimeMS <dbl>	day_of_year <dbl>
1 2021-02-01 13:00:24	8.785348	51.19133	476.4944	32
2 2021-02-01 13:10:58	9.549011	44.38603	315.2675	32
3 2021-02-01 13:26:37	8.767273	59.62085	310.9753	32
4 2021-02-01 13:29:13	9.661670	63.14264	348.2056	32
5 2021-02-01 13:35:20	9.523878	40.35872	494.6693	32
6 2021-02-01 13:59:20	9.303197	53.44916	393.1038	32

6 rows

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```
tail(monitor_data)
```

Timestamp <chr>	ProcessMem... <dbl>	Prediction <dbl>	PredictionTimeMS <dbl>	day_of_year <dbl>
16064 2021-06-01 11:18:35	9.315040	41.30944	429.4449	152
16065 2021-06-01 11:32:00	8.714421	44.98940	361.0256	152
16066 2021-06-01 11:37:04	9.278243	36.52788	343.2776	152
16067 2021-06-01 11:40:57	8.756996	43.42669	305.5567	152
16068 2021-06-01 11:45:06	9.094910	49.13386	454.5351	152
16069 2021-06-01 11:45:52	8.713085	36.69393	305.9007	152

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Day of year starts at 32 because the first day is 1st February 2021 - meaning the 32nd day of the year. The last day of the data set is 1st June 2021, meaning the 152nd day of the year. In total there are 16069 observations.

Creating control charts to answer questions.

a) Is the memory usage of the server in control?

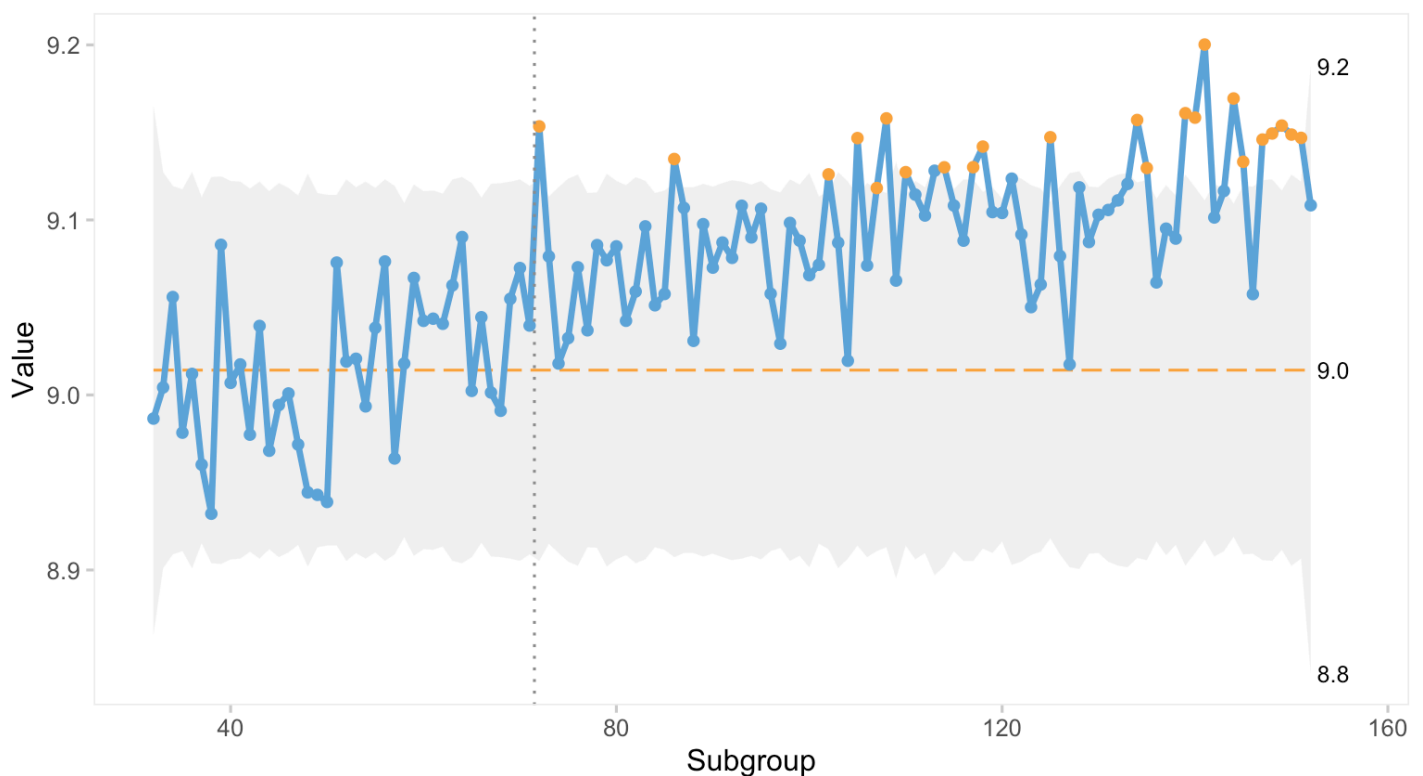
First, we will look at the 'xbar' chart which can plot the means of the sets of consecutive points, and shows whether the process mean is in control.

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```
#xbar for mean
mean_memory_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = ProcessMemory, data = monitor_data, chart = "xbar", subtitle = "Process Memory Process Mean in Control?", freeze = 40)
plot(mean_memory_p)
```

XBAR Chart of ProcessMemory

Process Memory Process Mean in Control?


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```
mean_memory_summary <- summary(mean_memory_p)
mean_memory_summary
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	121	121	84	10	17	

1 row | 1-10 of 16 columns

The sigma signal is 23 and the runs signal is 1. The sigma signal of 23 indicates that there were 23 occurrences of the line going beyond the grey area of the plot. The runs signal of 1 also indicates that points were above (or below, but not in this case) the central (expected) line for a sequence of points. Specifically, runs.signal indicates that longest.run was greater than longest.run.max in this case. Ultimately, this result tells us that the memory usage of the server is not in control.

Next, we will look at the standard deviation of consecutive points using the 's' chart. The 's' chart shows whether the process variability is in control.

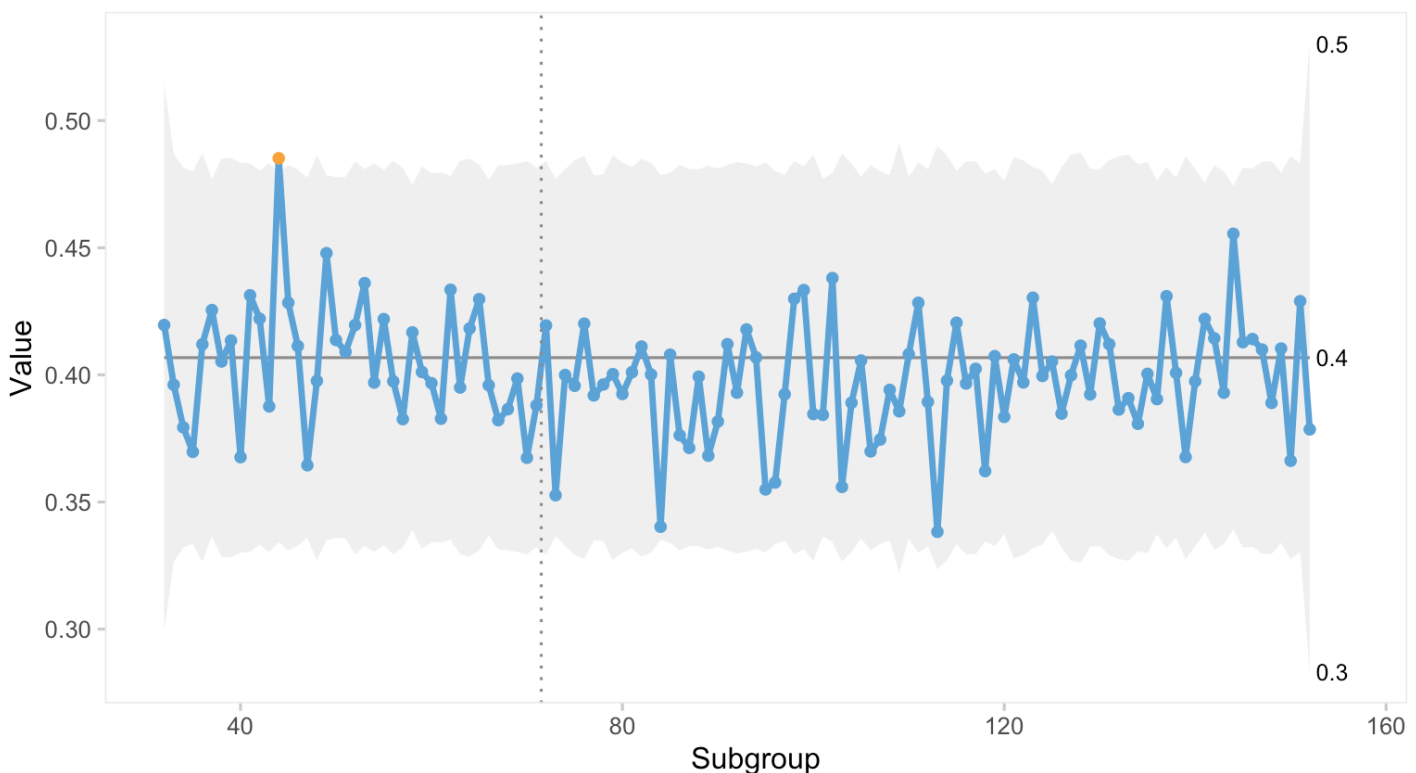
Plotting standard deviation of sets of consecutive points using S chart. An S chart shows whether the process variability is in control.

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```
sd_memory_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = ProcessMemory, data = monitor_data,
  chart = "s", subtitle = "Process Memory Process variability in Control?", freeze = 40)
plot(sd_memory_p)
```

S Chart of ProcessMemory

Process Memory Process variability in Control?



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```
sd_memory_summary <- summary(sd_memory_p)
sd_memory_summary
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	1	121	121	7	10	57

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The sigma signal is 1 and runs signal is 0. This suggests there was one time where the line went beyond the limit, also visualised in the graph. The longest.run was less than the longest.run.max ($7 < 10$) in this instance, but n.crossings was greater than n.crossings.min ($57 > 51$). This tells us that the process memory variability is not in control.

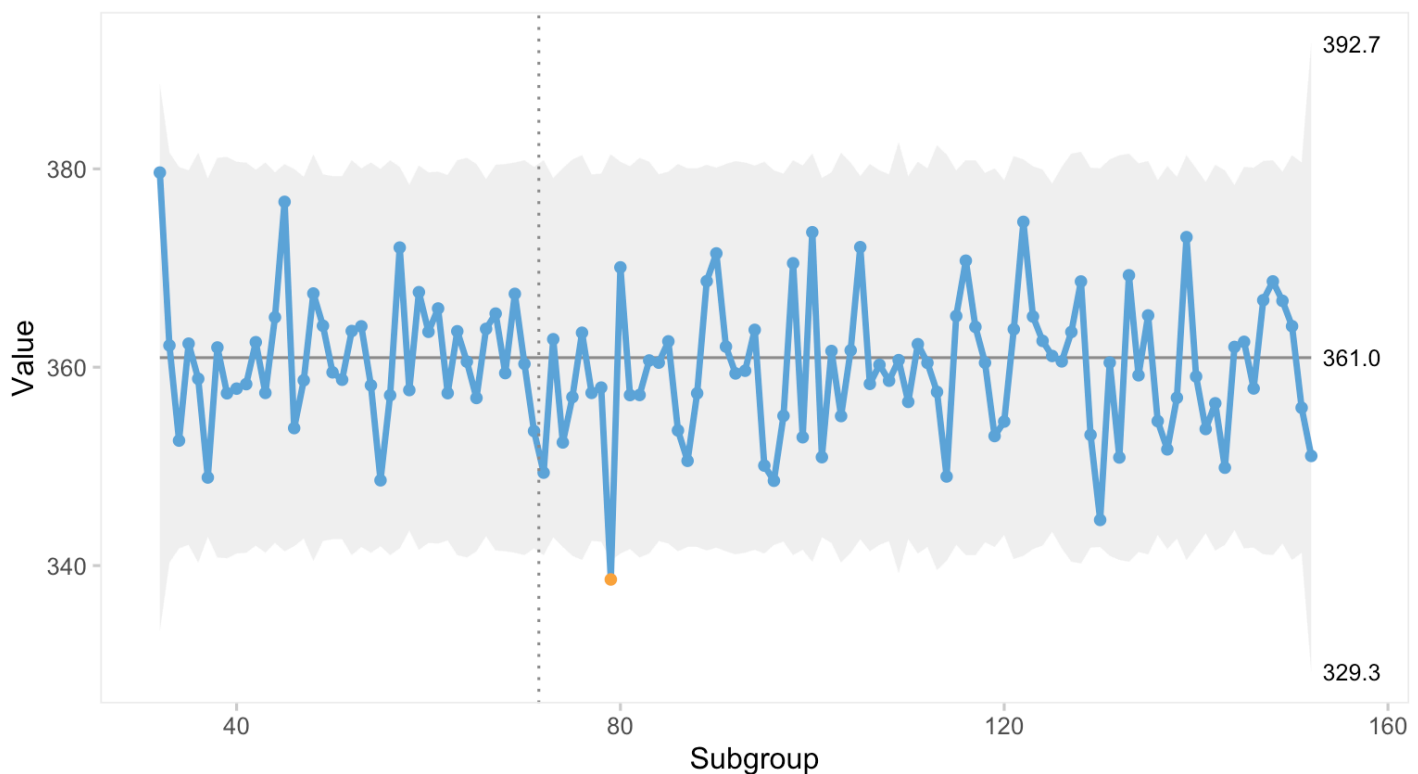
b) Is the prediction time of the model in control?

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```
mean_predictionT_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = PredictionTimeMS, data =
monitor_data, chart = "xbar", subtitle = "Precition Time Process Mean in Control?"
, freeze = 40)
plot(mean_predictionT_p)
```

XBAR Chart of PredictionTimeMS

Precition Time Process Mean in Control?



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```
mean_pred_time_sumamry <- summary(mean_predictionT_p)
mean_pred_time_sumamry
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	1	121	121	5	10	61

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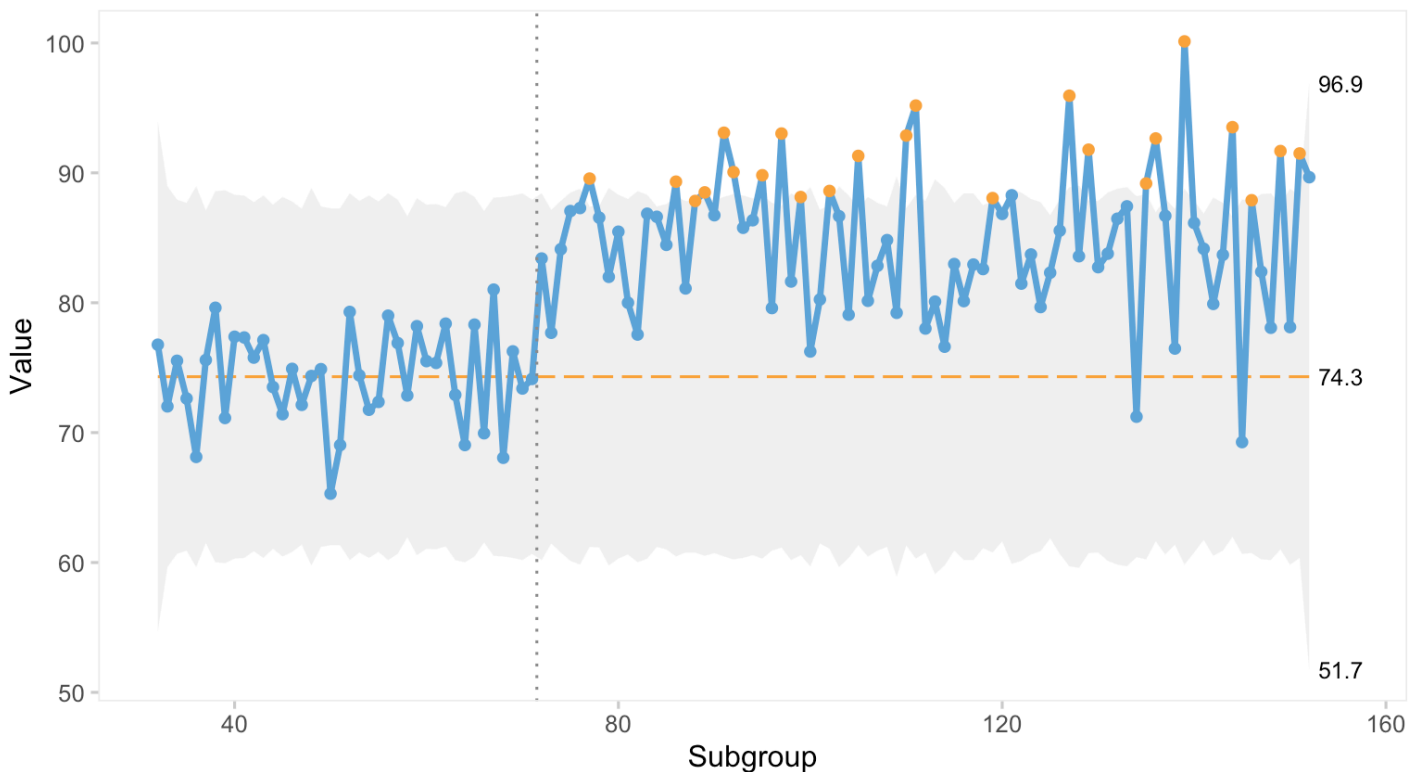
The results above indicate that the prediction time process mean is not in control, as the sigma signal is a value of 1 (the line has gone beyond the limit once). Signal runs is 0, as Longest.run is less than longest.run.max ($5 < 10$), but n.crossings is greater than n.crossings.min ($61 > 51$).

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```
sd_predictionT_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = PredictionTimeMS, data = m
onitor_data, chart = "s", subtitle = "Prediction Time Process variability in Contr
ol?", freeze = 40)
plot(sd_predictionT_p)
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S Chart of PredictionTimeMS

Prediction Time Process variability in Control?



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```
sd_pred_time_summary <- summary(sd_predictionT_p)
sd_pred_time_summary
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	1	121	121	62	10	28

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The results above show that the prediction time process variability is also not in control. The signal signal of 23 indicates there were 23 instances of the line crossing the grey area boundary. The runs signal of 1 also shows this. Longest.run is greater than longest.run.max, but n.crossings is less than n.crossings.min. Ultimately, the prediction time process is not in control.

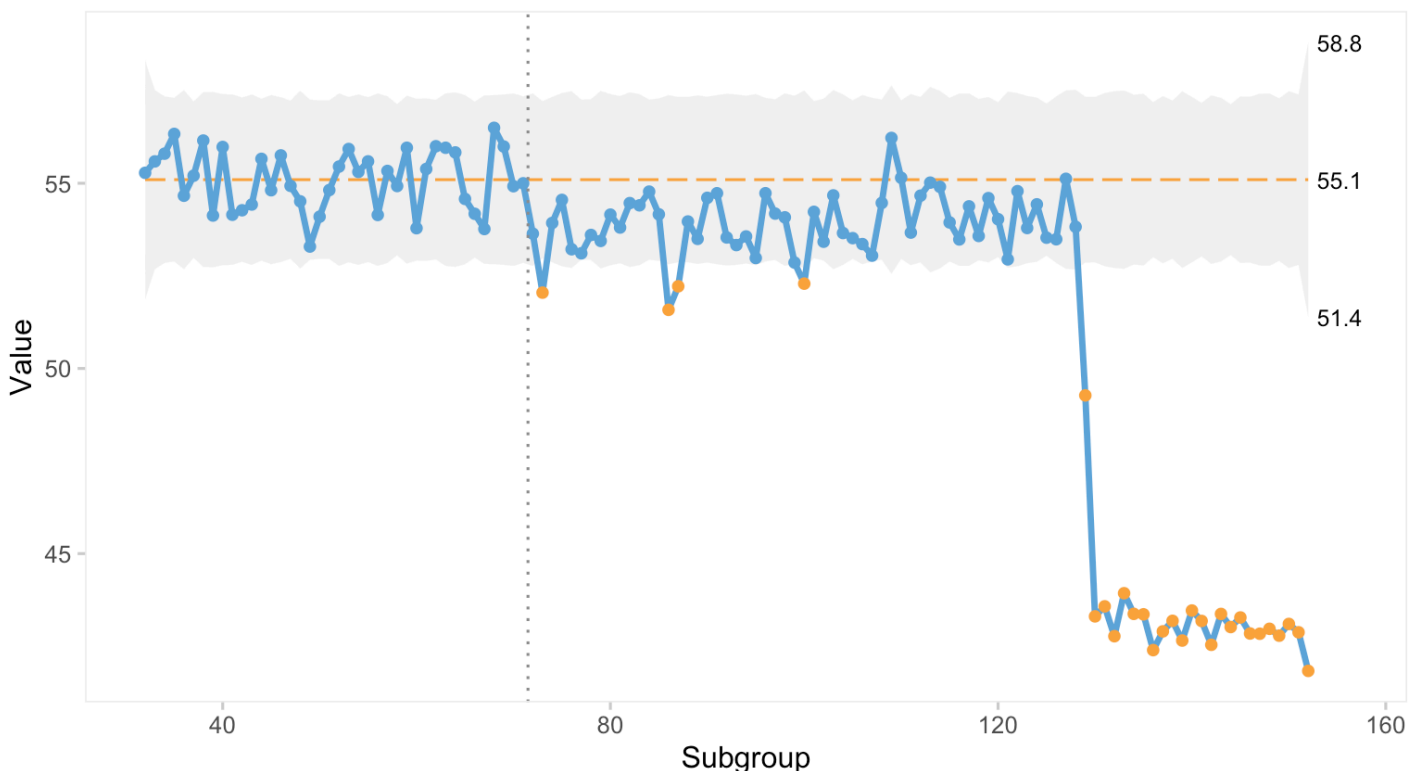
c) Is the stream of predictions in control?

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```
mean_prediction_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = Prediction, data = monito
r_data, chart = "xbar", subtitle = "Prediction Process mean in Control?", freeze =
40)
plot(mean_prediction_p)
```

XBAR Chart of Prediction

Prediction Process mean in Control?



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```
mean_prediction_summary <- summary(mean_prediction_p)
mean_prediction_summary
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	1	121	121	39	10	23

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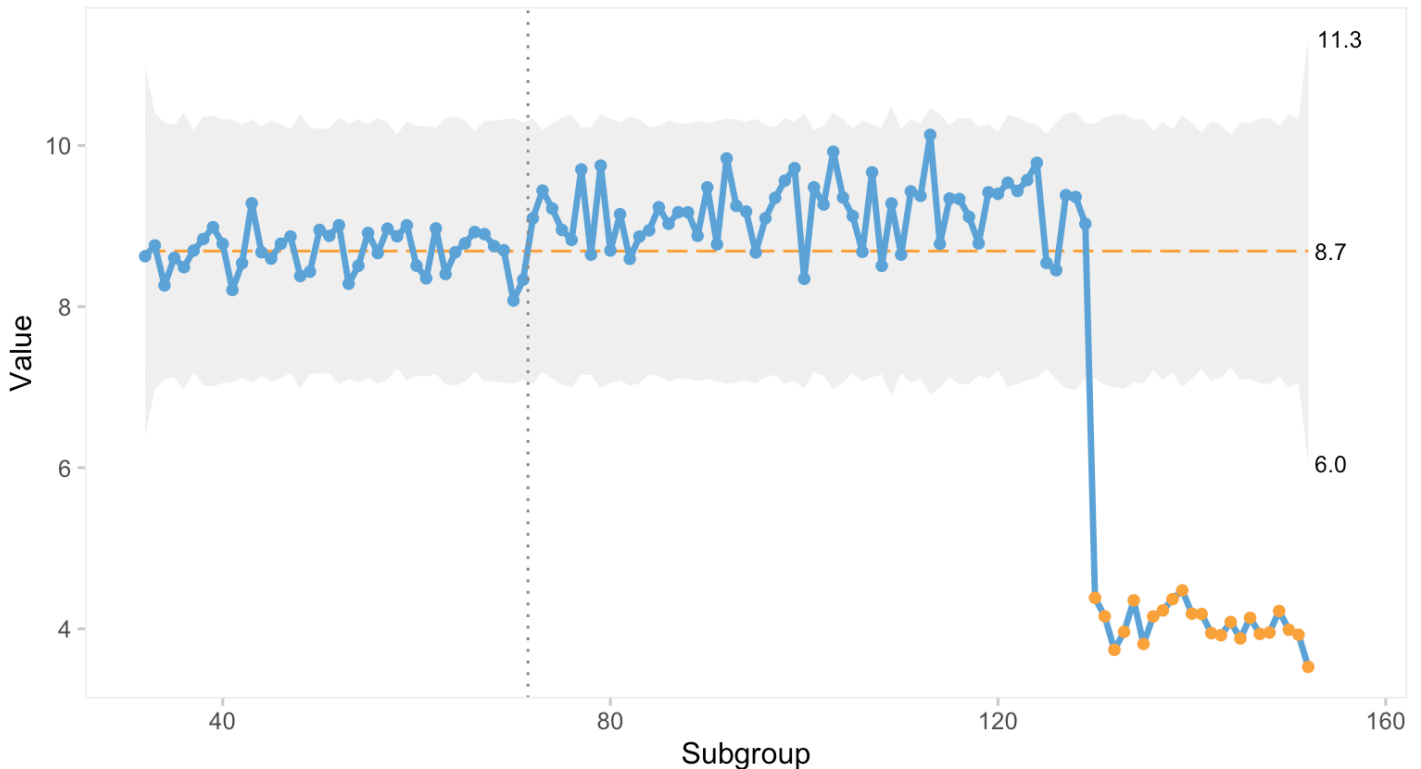
The above results show that the stream of predictions process is not in control. runs.signal is 1, indicating there were instances where the model is not in control. Sigma.signal confirms there were 28 times the model crossed the threshold limit. Longest.run is greater than longest.run.max and n.crossings is less than n.crossings.min.

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```
sd_prediction_p <- qicharts2::qic(x = day_of_year, y = Prediction, data = monitor_
data, chart = "s", subtitle = "Prediction Process variability in Control?", freeze
= 40)
plot(sd_prediction_p)
```


S Chart of Prediction

Prediction Process variability in Control?



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```
sd_prediction_summary <- summary(sd_prediction_p)
sd_prediction_summary
```

facet1	facet2	p...	n.o...	n.useful	longest.run	longest.run.max	n.crossings	n.cro
<dbl>	<dbl>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	
1	1	1	1	121	121	23	10	36

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The S chart shows the variability of control for the prediction process. This is not in control, observed by runs.signal being 1, indicating the limit has been crossed. Sigma.signal confirms that there were 23 instances where the limit was breached. Longest.run is greater than longest.run.max and n.crossings is less than n.crossings.min.

Summarising results in a table:

Measurement	Xbar_Runs_Signal	Xbar_Breaches	S_Runs_Signal	S_Breaches	Overall
<chr>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<int>	<chr>
Memory	1	23	0	1	Out of c
Prediction Time	0	1	1	23	Out of c

Prediction	1	28	1	23	Out of c
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By summarising these results in a table, we can observe clearly that Memory, Prediction time and Prediction were not in control, both in terms of process mean and variability.