

Complete Quality Statistics Reference

Hypothesis Testing, ANOVA, Six Sigma (DMAIC), and SPC

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1. Hypothesis Testing Framework

Key Components

- **Null Hypothesis (H):** Default assumption (e.g., "no difference").
- **Alternative Hypothesis (H):** Claim to test (e.g., "process improved").
- **Significance Level (α):** Typically 0.05 (5% risk of Type I error).
- **p-value:** Probability of observing data if H is true.

Test Selection Table

| Scenario | Test | Formula |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Compare mean to target | One-sample t-test | $t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$ |
| Compare two means | Two-sample t-test | $t = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2}{\sqrt{s_p^2(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2})}}$ |
| Proportions test | Z-test | $z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1-p_0)/n}}$ |
| Non-normal data | Mann-Whitney U | $U = R_1 - \frac{n_1(n_1+1)}{2}$ |

2. ANOVA (Analysis of Variance)

One-Way ANOVA Table

| Source | SS | df | MS | F |
|---------|--------|---------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Between | SS_B | $k - 1$ | $MS_B = \frac{SS_B}{k-1}$ | $\frac{MS_B}{MS_W}$ |
| Within | SS_W | $N - k$ | $MS_W = \frac{SS_W}{N-k}$ | |
| Total | SS_T | $N - 1$ | | |

Where:

$$SS_B = \sum n_i(\bar{X}_i - \bar{X}_{\text{total}})^2$$
$$SS_W = \sum (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)^2$$

3. Quality Control Metrics

Six Sigma (DMAIC)

- **Defects per Million (DPMO):**

$$\text{DPMO} = \frac{\text{Defects} \times 10^6}{\text{Units} \times \text{Opportunities}}$$

- **Sigma Level:** Use Z-table to convert DPMO to (e.g., 3.4 DPMO = 6).

Statistical Process Control (SPC)

- **Control Limits (X-R Chart):**

$$\text{UCL} = \bar{\bar{X}} + A_2\bar{R}, \quad \text{LCL} = \bar{\bar{X}} - A_2\bar{R}$$

- **Process Capability (Cp, Cpk):**

$$C_p = \frac{USL - LSL}{6\sigma}, \quad C_{pk} = \min\left(\frac{USL - \mu}{3\sigma}, \frac{\mu - LSL}{3\sigma}\right)$$

4. Common Distributions in Quality

| Distribution | Use Case |
|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Normal | Continuous data (e.g., dimensions) |
| Binomial | Pass/fail outcomes |
| Poisson | Defect counts |
| Weibull | Lifetime/failure analysis |

5. Hypothesis Testing in Quality

Examples

- **t-test:** "Does new supplier material reduce thickness variation?"
- **Chi-square:** "Is defect type independent of production shift?"
- **ANOVA:** "Do any of 5 machines produce different diameters?"

6. Practical Workflow

1. Define problem (DMAIC "Define" phase)
2. Collect data (ensure representative sampling)
3. Test normality (Shapiro-Wilk or Anderson-Darling)
4. Choose appropriate test (refer to Section 1 table)
5. Calculate p-value and effect size
6. Implement control charts if process is stable

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