

Process and Performance Capability

Green Belt - Six Sigma MOOC
Course 3 Module 3



Designing a Process Capability Study

Video 2



Designing a Process Capability Study

Steps for a Process Capability Study

1. Perform a Measurement System Analysis. This helps remove variability due to part measuring
2. Identify an appropriate subgroup size from 4-10. This is the sample size you will be measuring. Most between 3-5.
3. Identify the time sequence for drawing these samples. Every hour? Every shift? Every day?



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Steps for Process Capability Studies

4. For each subgroup of 3-5 sample parts, take measurements, average, and plot the average number on the X-bar chart.
5. Do this for 20 group readings
6. Analyze for statistical stability and process capability



In-Video Quiz 1

How many samples should there be in a subgroup?

- 1 to 2
 - Incorrect. Between 3 and 5 is typical
- 3 to 5
 - Correct! No less than 2 and rarely more than 5 is typical
- 10 to 15
 - Incorrect. Between 3 and 5 is typical
- 34 to 43
 - Incorrect. Between 3 and 5 is typical



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Construct an \bar{X} (X-bar) and R chart

1. Determine the sample subset size ($n = 3, 4, \text{ or } 5$)
2. Collect 20-25 sets of time-sequenced samples (60-90 data points)
3. Calculate the average for each subset of samples to equal X-bar
4. Calculate the Range for each set of samples to equal R



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5. Calculate $\bar{\bar{X}}$ (X-double bar) or the average of all the X-bars
6. Calculate \bar{R} (R-bar) or the average of all the R's



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7. Calculate the control limits:

X-bar Chart:

$$UCL_{\bar{X}} = \bar{\bar{X}} + A_2 * \bar{R}$$

$$LCL_{\bar{X}} = \bar{\bar{X}} - A_2 * \bar{R}$$

R Chart:

$$UCL_R = D_4 * \bar{R}$$

$$LCL_R = D_3 * \bar{R}$$

Chart of statistical constants

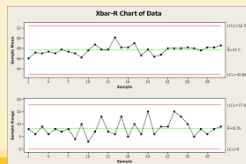
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2	1.88	0	3.27	1.13
3	1.02	0	2.57	1.69
4	0.73	0	2.28	2.06
5	0.58	0	2.11	2.33
6	0.48	0	2.00	2.53



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8. Draw X-bar and R charts with UCL and LCL for each
9. Plot the data and interpret the chart for special or assignable causes



X-bar and R Chart Example

Suppose we have a subgroup of 5 parts and we recorded the measurements of 20 sample groups on a timed interval of every hour.

After some averaging we get $\bar{\bar{X}} = 45$ and \bar{R} of 20. Using the formulas we get:

For the X-bar chart: $UCL_{\bar{x}} = 45 + 0.58 \cdot 20 = 56.6$

$LCL_{\bar{x}} = 45 - 0.58 \cdot 20 = 33.4$

For the R chart: $UCL_R = 2.11 \cdot 20 = 42.2$

$LCL_R = 0 \cdot 20 = 0$



In-Video Quiz 1

What is the correct formula for UCL_R ?

- $\bar{\bar{X}} - A_2 \cdot \bar{R}$
 - Incorrect. The correct formula is $UCL_R = D_4 \cdot \bar{R}$
- $D_4 \cdot \bar{R}$
 - Correct! This is the correct formula for UCL_R
- $D_3 \cdot \bar{R}$
 - Incorrect. The correct formula is $UCL_R = D_4 \cdot \bar{R}$
- $\bar{\bar{X}} + A_2 \cdot \bar{R}$
 - Incorrect. The correct formula is $UCL_R = D_4 \cdot \bar{R}$



X-bar and R Chart Example

Xbar-R Chart of Data

