Mean and Range Charts

Data Science for Quality Management: Xbar and R / Xbar and S charts / X and MR charts

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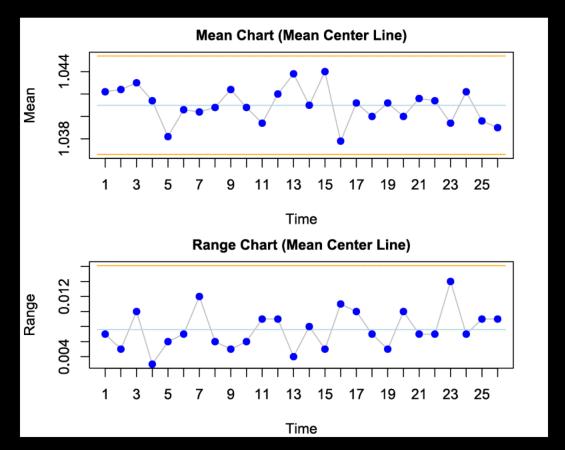
Learning objective:

Create centerlines and control limits for the X Bar and R Chart

Mean and Range Charts

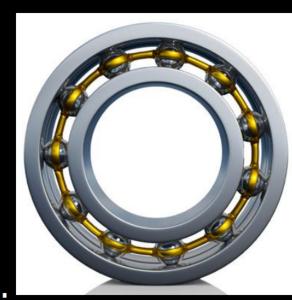
- Used with variables data
- Monitors location (central tendency) and spread (dispersion, or variability)
- Allows for the use of small sample sizes
- Simple to construct
- Easy to interpret

X and R Chart



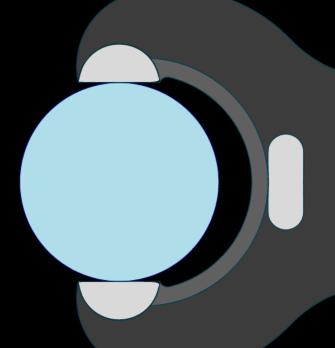
The Case of the Cartridge Bearing

Consider a forming operation in which the outside ring of a cartridge bearing is heat treated, then ground to customer specifications of 1.041" ± 0.006".



Step 1: Select the Characteristic to be Evaluated

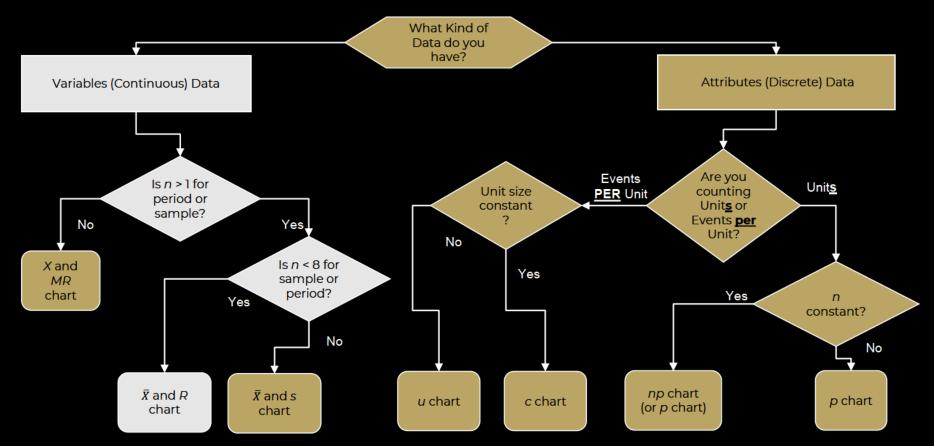
The outside diameter is measured at the center of the cartridge using a 1 to 2 inch snap gauge.



Step 2: Select a Sampling Plan

Five consecutive rings are randomly selected from a single grinding machine and measured per hour (n = 5). The samples are drawn at random times within each hour.

Step 3: Select the Chart



Step 4: Collect Data

- 26 samples (k = 26) of size 5 (n = 5) are collected.
- The data are imported into R Studio for analysis

Control Charts

- Sample statistics are plotted as points
- If time-ordered, the points are connected with straight lines
- If not time-ordered, do not connect the points

Control Charts

- In lolcat, centerlines are drawn as aqualines
- Control limits are drawn as gold lines
- Typical Control Chart value calculations for an X-Bar & R chart are as follows:

Sample Statistics

$$\overline{X} = \frac{\sum X}{n}$$

$$R = Maximum - Minimum$$

= $X_H - X_L$

Centerline Calculations

$$\overline{R} = \frac{R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_k}{k}$$

$$\overline{\overline{X}} = \frac{\overline{X}_1 + \overline{X}_2 + \dots + \overline{X}_k}{k}$$

Centerline Calculation Results

Sources

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