

Assignment 5 : Control Charts for Attributes

1. A process is controlled with a fraction nonconforming control chart with three-sigma limits, $n = 100$, $UCL = 0.161$, center line = 0.080, and $LCL = 0$.

(a) Find the equivalent control chart for the number nonconforming.

$$\begin{aligned}
 CL &= n\bar{p} = 100 \times 0.08 = 8 \\
 UCL &= n\bar{p} + 3\sqrt{n\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})} = 100 \times 0.08 + 3\sqrt{100 \times 0.08 \times 0.92} = 16.139 \\
 LCL &= n\bar{p} - 3\sqrt{n\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})} = 100 \times 0.08 - 3\sqrt{100 \times 0.08 \times 0.92} = -0.139 \\
 \therefore \text{ For the } np \text{ chart: } UCL &= 16.139, CL = 8, LCL = 0 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Use the Poisson approximation to the binomial to find the probability of a type I error.

$$\begin{aligned}
 X &\equiv \text{the number of nonconforming} \\
 X &\sim \text{Bin}(n = 100, p = 0.08) \approx X \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda = 8) \\
 \alpha &= P(\text{type I error}) = 1 - P(X \leq 16.14) \\
 &= 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{16.14} \frac{e^{-8} 8^x}{x!} \\
 &= 1 - 0.9963 \\
 &= 0.0037 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Use the Normal approximation to find the probability of a type II error if the process fraction nonconforming shifts to 0.2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta &= P(\text{type II error}) = P(0 < \hat{p} < 0.161 \mid p = 0.2) \\
 &= \Phi\left(\frac{0.161 - 0.2}{\sqrt{\frac{0.08 \times 0.92}{100}}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{0 - 0.2}{\sqrt{\frac{0.08 \times 0.92}{100}}}\right) \\
 &= \Phi(-1.44) - \Phi(-7.37) \\
 &= 0.0749 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) What is the probability of detecting the shift in part (c) by at least the fourth sample after the shift?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{detect the shift at least 4th sample}) &= 1 - P(\text{no detect at first 4 sample}) \\
 &= 1 - \beta^4 \\
 &= 1 - (0.0749)^4 \\
 &= 0.99996 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

2. A process is being controlled with a fraction nonconforming control chart. The process average has been shown to be 0.07. Three-sigma control limits are used, and the procedure calls for taking daily samples of 400 items.

- (a) Calculate the upper and lower control limits.

$$\begin{aligned}
 CL &= \bar{p} = 0.07 \\
 UCL &= \bar{p} + 3\sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{n}} = 0.07 + 3\sqrt{\frac{0.07 \times 0.93}{400}} = 0.108 \\
 LCL &= \bar{p} - 3\sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{n}} = 0.07 - 3\sqrt{\frac{0.07 \times 0.93}{400}} = 0.032 \\
 \therefore \text{ For the } p \text{ chart: } UCL &= 0.108, CL = 0.07, LCL = 0.032 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) If the process average should suddenly shift to 0.10, what is the probability that the shift would be detected on the first subsequent sample?

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - \beta &= P(\text{detect on 1st sample}) \\
 &= 1 - P(0.032 < \hat{p} < 0.108 \mid p = 0.1) \\
 &= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{0.108 - 0.1}{\sqrt{\frac{0.1 \times 0.9}{400}}}\right) + \Phi\left(\frac{0.032 - 0.1}{\sqrt{\frac{0.1 \times 0.9}{400}}}\right) \\
 &= 1 - \Phi(0.53) + \Phi(-4.53) \\
 &= 0.298 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) What is the probability that the shift in part (b) would be detect on the first or second sample taken after the shift?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{detect on 1st or 2nd sample}) &= P(\text{detect 1st sample}) + P(\text{detect 2nd sample}) \\
 &= (1 - \beta) + \beta(1 - \beta) \\
 &= 0.298 + (1 - 0.298) \times 0.298 \\
 &= 0.507 \#
 \end{aligned}$$

3. In designing a fraction nonconforming chart with center line at $p = 0.20$ and three-sigma control limits, what is the sample size required to yield a positive lower control limit? What is the value of n necessary to give a probability of 0.50 of detecting a shift in the process to 0.26?

- The sample size that required to yield LCL:

$$\therefore \text{ We want to achieve } LCL = \bar{p} - 3\sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}\bar{q}}{n}} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.2 - 3\sqrt{\frac{0.2 \times 0.8}{n}} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{0.2}{3}\right)^2 > \frac{0.16}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow n > 0.16 \times \frac{9}{0.04} = 36$$

\therefore The sample size that required is greater than 36 #

- The value of n necessary to give a probability of 0.50 to detect a shift to 0.26:

$$\Rightarrow 0.26 - 0.2 = 3\sqrt{\frac{0.2 \times 0.8}{n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{0.06}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{0.16}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0.16 \times \frac{9}{0.0036} = 400$$

\therefore The value of n that necessary is 400 #