Markov Chain Method for Monitoring Mean Vector in Multivariate Cumulative Sum Control Chart

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Abstract

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1 Introduction

The quality of any manufactured product is to meet customer expectations. Product that meets the required need is one produced by a process capable of operating with little variability around the target of the products quality characteristics. In real life situations, processes often operate in the in-control state for relatively long periods of time. After a while, assignable causes will occur at random resulting in a shift to an out-of-control state where a larger proportion of the process output does not conform to requirements, Montgomery (2009). The control charting procedure recognizes as a fact that, in any production process, a certain amount of variability will always be present. This variability can be either due to chance or due to assignable causes. The form of variability that is of more interest in control charting procedures is the assignable cause of variation caused by either internal or external factors such as machine setting, operator error, raw material or other factors that can be controlled. The presence of this type of variability represents an unacceptable level of process performance and results in an out-of-control state. When this happen, the cause should be identified and eliminated from the process. Control charts are the most widely used Statistical Process Control (SPC) tools to reveal abnormal variations of monitored measurements, as well as to locate their assignable causes, Bersimis et al. (2007), Yu and Xi (2009).

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Estimation of multivariate statistical process control charts could be achieved based on the underlying distributional assumptions with known parameters and absence of outliers in the data, Hawkins (1991), Runger et al. (1995). Multivariate statistical methods which provide simultaneous scouting of several variables are needed for monitoring and diagnosis purposes in modern manufacturing systems. The problem associated with use of multivariate control charts is that; it is computationally demanding to estimate the covariance matrix for high-dimensional variables. This problem shall be addressed with the use of computer software packages like MATLAB. Therefore, the purpose of this work is to apply Markov Chain Method to simultaneously monitor the quality characteristics that identify change in mean vector of steel manufacturing process, machining process and detergent production process. This work also
presents a graphical approach to identify the source of signal variability from the multivariate cumulative sum control (MCUSUM) chart, and as well examine the number of points for the process to be in control (ARL).

## 2 Multivariate Cumulative Sum Control Chart for Mean Vector

One of the charts developed in an effort to supplement the Shewhart chart is the CUSUM control chart which was first introduced by Page (1954). This chart has been widely used to monitor the quality of continuous manufacturing processes. This technique plots the cumulative sums of deviations of the sample values from a target value against time. An important feature of the CUSUM chart is that, it incorporates all the information in the sequence of sample values. This makes the CUSUM chart more sensitive to even smaller shifts in the process mean, Marquardt (1984). Assuming that there is a sequence of independent and identically distributed multivariate normal random variables \( X_1, X_2, \ldots \), where \( X_1 = (X_{11}, \ldots, X_{1p}) \) is a \( p \times 1 \) vector of observations. The first \( X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{(m-1)} \) vectors, have a good distribution function \( F_C \), but the next \( X_m, X_{(m+1)}, \ldots \), have a different distribution, \( F_B \) showing shift in the mean vector. And if the production process shifts at an unknown time \( m \), the objective is to detect the shift as well as the time of the shift. The CUSUM procedure signals when the shift in the mean vector has occurred as soon as:

\[
S_i = \max \left( 0, s_{i-1} + \log \frac{f_B(x_i)}{f_G(x_i)} \right) > L
\]

where is the CUSUM chart for detecting a shift in the mean vector of a multivariate normal process, and are densities corresponding to \( F_C \) and \( F_B \), respectively and \( L \) is a constant that determines the operating characteristics of the CUSUM procedures, Healy (1987), Lucas and Crosier (2000)\(^{9}\), Smiley and Keoghe (2005). Assuming that \( X_i \) comes from a multivariate normal distribution with either a good mean \( \mu_G \), when the process is in control, or bad mean \( \mu_B \), when the process is out of control (\( \mu = \mu + \delta \)) and with a known common covariance matrix \( \Sigma \). If for each independent normal random variable, \( X_i \) will measure \( p \) quality characteristics, a vector of size \( p \times 1 \) is formed and a covariance matrix of order \( p \times p \) is also formed. For the multivariate normal distribution, the CUSUM chart is developed through the likelihood ratio given as:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{f_B(x_i)}{f_G(x_i)} &= \frac{(2\pi)^{-np/2}|\Sigma|^{-1/2}\exp(-0.5(X_i - \mu_B)'\Sigma^{-1}(X_i - \mu_B))}{(2\pi)^{-np/2}|\Sigma|^{-1/2}\exp(-0.5(X_i - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(X_i - \mu_G))} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-0.5(X_i - \mu_B)'\Sigma^{-1}(X_i - \mu_B))}{\exp(-0.5(X_i - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(X_i - \mu_G))}
\end{align*}
\]

Taking natural logarithms, we obtain

\[
\log \frac{f_B(x_i)}{f_G(x_i)} = (\mu_B - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}X_i - 0.5(\mu_B + \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_B - \mu_B)
\]

The CUSUM for the multivariate process is computed by substituting Equation (3) into Equation (2) and dividing both sides of Equation (3) by a constant gives the CUSUM procedure for the multivariate process as:

\[
S_i = \max(S_{i-1} + a'X_i - k, 0)
\]

where

\[
a' = \frac{(\mu_B - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}}{[(\mu_B - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_B - \mu_G)]^{1/2}}
\]

\[
k = 0.5\frac{(\mu_B - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_B - \mu_G)}{[(\mu_B - \mu_G)'\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_B - \mu_G)]^{1/2}}
\]

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and \( h \) is control limit. Now the random variable \( a'X_i \) has a univariate normal distribution. Define the non-centrality parameter as:

\[
G = \left( (\mu_B - \mu_G)^2 \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_B - \mu_G) \right)^{1/2}
\]

and

\[
Z_i = a'(X_i - \mu_G)
\]

The CUSUM chart for detecting a shift in the mean vector of a multivariate normal process may be written as:

\[
C_i = \max(0, C_{i-1} + a'Z_i - k) > h
\]

The function \( Z_i \) therefore has a standard univariate normal distribution when \( X_i \) has mean equal to \( \mu_G \). If the mean shift to \( \mu_B \), then \( a'(X_i - \mu_G) \) has a univariate normal distribution with mean 0 and variance 1.

### 2.1 Markov Chain Method for Computing Average Run Length (ARL)

Average Run Length (ARL) is the key index for comparing the performance of statistical control charts. There are three ways to calculate the ARL of control charts: Markov chain model, integral equation, and simulation, Brook and Evans (1972), Champ and Rigdon (1991). In this work, the Markov chain method for evaluating the ARL control chart was used. The main idea of Markov chain method is to approximate monitoring statistics to a Markov chain with finite states, and regard intervals of statistics as states of the Markov Chain, then gain one-step transition probability matrix. For different control charts, differences in Markov chain method lie in one-step transition probability matrix in the form of

\[
S_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - k)
\]

where \( S_n \) is a one-step transition probability matrix, \( k \) is reference value. If considered discrete case, that is, \( X_i \) and \( k \) are positive integers, then \( S_n \) can only have integral values such as 0, 1, 2, ..., \( h \), where \( h \) is control limit. If \( S_n = i \), it is call process in state \( E_i \). If \( S_n \geq h \), call it absorbing state. The initial state is assumed to be \( E_0 \). After dividing state space, one can easily gain one-step transition probability according to the distribution of observed variable, \( X \).

\[
p_{ij} = P\{S_{n+1} = E_i \mid S_n = E_j\} = P\{S_n + X_{n+1} - k = j \mid S_n = i\}
\]

\[
= P\{X_{n+1} - k = j - i, i \neq h, j \neq h, h \neq 0
\]

\[
p_{00} = \{X \leq k - 1\}
\]

\[
p_{hh} = \{X \geq k + h - i\}
\]

\[
p_{hj} = 0, j = 0, 1, \ldots, h - 1,
\]

\[
p_{hh} = 1,
\]

When \( h, k \) and \( X \) are given, let \( p_r = P\{X - k = r\}, F_r = P\{X - k \leq r\} \) then onestep transition probability matrix has the following form:

\[
P = \begin{bmatrix}
F_0 & p_1 & \cdots & p_{k-1} & 1 - F_{k-1} \\
F_{k-1} & p_2 & \cdots & p_{k-2} & 1 - F_{k-2} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\
F_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 - F_0 \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\]

where \( P \) is a square matrix of \( h + 1 \) dimension, whose last column represents transition probability from state \( E_i \) to absorbing state \( E_h \), and last row represents transition probability from absorbing state \( E_h \), to transiting state \( E_r \). Because interest is in its first \( h \) rows when calculate ARL, it can be written in the form of partitioned matrix:

\[
P = \begin{bmatrix}
R & (I - R)1 \\
0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\]

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where $R$ is a matrix after deleting the last column and row of $P$, $I$ is an identity matrix of $n$, and $1$ is a column vector whose elements are all $1$. According to properties of Markov Chain, $m$-step transition probability matrix should be,

$$P_m = P^m = \begin{pmatrix} R^m & (I - R^m) \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{0}^T & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(14)

Let $T_i$ denote the number of steps process need form the first transition to absorbing state $E_i$ when starting at $E_i$, and $(T = T_0, T_1, \ldots, T_{h-1})'$. Then ARL is just the $i$th component of $E(T)$ when the initial state of statistics is $E_i$. To calculate those corresponding ARls, for $r = 1, 2, \ldots$ define:

$$F_r = (P\{T_0 \leq r\}, P\{T_1 \leq r\}, \ldots, P\{T_{h-1} \leq r\})$$

(15)

$$L_r = (P\{T_0 = r\}, P\{T_1 = r\}, \ldots, P\{T_{h-1} = r\})$$

(16)

And according to properties of Markov Chain, one can gain (when $r = 1, 2, \ldots$)

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(17)

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Equation (19) reveals that the distributional function of run has a form very similar to geometrical distribution. For the CUSUM control chart, the one-step transition probability, $p_{ij}$ can be calculated approximately as following.

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$$p_{it} = P\{S_{n+1} \in I_t|S_n = i\omega\} = P\{X_n - k > (t - i)\omega - \omega/2\}$$

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where, $\omega = 2h/(2t - 1)$.

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![MCUSUM chart generated from Brinell hardness and tensile strength data.](image)

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**Case with \( P = 3 \):** The data for three-quality characteristics are related to machining process of engine block Alves (2009). In this process, the quality characteristics to monitor simultaneously are \( X_1 \): positional hole for the \( X \) coordinate; \( Y_1 \): positional hole for the \( Y \) coordinate; and \( d \): distance between the centers of holes 1 and 2 for 31 samples shown in Table 2. The in-control value of the mean vector is given as:

\[
\mu_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 103.25 \\ 194.27 \end{bmatrix}
\]

It is assumed that the covariance matrix does not shift, therefore, the covariance matrix,
\[
S = \begin{bmatrix} 0.00030928 & -0.000128501 & -0.000020346 \\ -0.000128501 & 0.000169902 & 0.0000028765 \\ -0.000020346 & 0.000028765 & 0.0000008291 \end{bmatrix}
\]

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\[
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\]

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![MCUSUM chart generated from the process data of engine block.](image)

**Fig.2.** MCUSUM chart generated from the process data of engine block.
Case with \( p = 4 \): The data for four-quality characteristics are from a detergent manufacturing company Oyeyemi (2011). Table 3, shows the four quality characteristics that affect the production process for 35 samples. They include \( X_1 \) (active detergent), \( X_2 \) (moisture content), \( X_3 \) (bulk density) and \( X_4 \) (pH level). The target value of the mean vector is given as:

\[
\mu_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 24.45 \\ 3.5 \\ 305 \\ 10.5 \end{bmatrix}
\]

It is assumed that the covariance matrix does not shift, therefore, the covariance matrix, \( S = \begin{bmatrix} 1.3021 & -0.1217 & 1.5289 & -0.0222 \\ -0.1217 & 0.1066 & -1.5065 & -0.0418 \\ 1.5289 & -1.5065 & 147.4957 & 0.0783 \\ -0.0222 & -0.0418 & 0.0783 & 0.865 \end{bmatrix} \) and mean vector, \( \bar{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 23.3377 \\ 3.4197 \\ 309.4537 \\ 10.4520 \end{bmatrix} \) used to monitor the process were calculated from the sample.

To construct the MCUSUM chart for detecting a shift in the process mean vector, we estimate \( \mu_1 \) with \( \Sigma \) with \( S \). Substituting these estimators into Equation (7) gives \( D = 1.2984 \). The reference value \( k = 0.5 + D = 0.6392 \). A MATLAB program for computing and \( H \) for the calculated reference value \( k \) is shown in Appendix 1. Also a MATLAB program for computing the cumulative sum control chart is shown in Appendix 2. Fig.3 shows Multivariate Cumulative control chart that simultaneously monitor the quality characteristics \( X_1, X_2, X_3 \) and \( X_4 \) of the production process.

![MCUSUM chart](image)

Fig.3. MCUSUM chart generated from detergent manufacturing data.

3.1 Discussion of Results

Case with \( p = 2 \): The in-control Average Run Length is obtained as \( ARL_{in} = 250 \), i.e. false alarm rate \( \alpha = 0.05 \), and the decision limit \( H = 3.97 \) by Markov Chain procedure. It is observed that the MCUSUM chart signaled a shift in the mean vector at the 3rd sample. The cause of out-of-control in the manufacturing process can either be quality characteristic \( X \) or \( Y \). Therefore, readjustment of any the parameters responsible should be carried out to keep the process continuously in-control. Case with \( p = 3 \): In-control Average Run Length is obtained as \( ARL_{circ} = 200 \), i.e. false alarm rate \( \alpha = 0.05 \) and the decision limit \( H = 4.86 \) by Markov Chain procedure. It is observed that the MCUSUM chart signaled a shift in the mean vector at the 11th sample. The cause of out-of-control in the process can either be quality characteristic \( X_1 \) or \( Y_1 \) or \( D12 \). Therefore, readjustment of any the parameters responsible for the out-of-control should be carried out to keep the process continuously in-control. Case with \( p = 4 \): In-control Average Run Length is obtained \( ARL_{circ} = \), i.e. false alarm rate \( \alpha = 0.05 \) and the decision limit \( H = 6.64 \) by Markov Chain procedure. It is observed that the MCUSUM chart signaled a change in the mean vector at the 6th sample. The cause of out-of-control in the process can either be quality characteristic \( X_1 \) or \( X_2 \) or \( X_3 \) or \( X_4 \). Therefore, readjustment of any the parameters responsible for the out-of-control should be carried out to keep the process continuously in-control.
4 Conclusion

Control charts are valuable tools for detecting an out-of-control process. The effective simultaneous monitoring of many quality characteristics of a production process often depends on statistical tool that are becoming more and more specific. In modern industries, there is a need to track more than one quality characteristics. If separate univariate charts are used, the overall probability of false alarm may be inflated since correlation between variables is ignored. In such cases, multivariate cumulative control charts should be considered. This work will enable the engineers and quality control management to develop a scheme that can easily identify the sample point at which a process signals an out-of-control. Corrective measures and adjustment can be easily implemented since the cause of variability can be identified.

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References


Appendix 1

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\[ b = 1; \]
\[ m = a \times d; \]
\[ s = b \times d; \]
\[ k = 0.5 \times a \times d / 2 \]
\[ w = 2 \times h / (2 \times t - 1); \]

\[
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f_0 &= \text{normcdf}(w/2 + k, m, s); \\
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\]
\[ P = \begin{bmatrix} f0p1p2p3p4p5p6p7p8p9 \\ f1p0p1p2p3p4p5p6p7p8 \\ f2pm1p0p1p2p3p4p5p6p7 \\ f3pm2pm1p0p1p2p3p4p5p6 \\ f4pm3pm2pm1p0p1p2p3p4p5 \\ f5pm4pm3pm2pm1p0p1p2p3p4 \\ f6pm5pm4pm3pm2pm1p0p1p2p3 \\ f7pm6pm5pm4pm3pm2pm1p0p1p2 \\ f8pm7pm6pm5pm4pm3pm2pm1p0p1 \\ f9pm8pm7pm6pm5pm4pm3pm2pm1p0 \end{bmatrix} \]

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\[ X = \begin{bmatrix} 1000000000 \end{bmatrix}; \]
\[ ARL = X * \text{inv}(A - P) * B \]

**Appendix 2**

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\[ u = [175, 55]; \]
\[ s = [332.136926; 69.262997]; \]
\[ x = [174.67, 51.67]; \]
\[ D = \text{sqrt}((x - u)' * \text{inv}(s) * (x - u)); \]
\[ k = 0.5 * D; \]
\[ a1 = (x - u)' * \text{inv}(s) / D; \% \text{aprime} \]
\[ k2 = 2 + 0.5 * D^2; \]
\[ n = 30; \]
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\[ C2 = 0; \]
\[ S1 = 0; \]
\[ Fori = 1 : n \]
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\[ C1 = \text{max}(0, C1 + Z - 0.5 * D); \]
\[ C2 = \text{max}(0, C2 - Z - 0.5 * D); \]
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