

Please turn in both your questions and answers. They will be returned to you later.

Points for each question are indicated in the left margin in square brackets.

- [20] 1. Consider monitoring a process based on samples of size  $n = 9$ . Suppose that the process produces normally distributed observations with  $\mu = 200$  and  $\sigma = 1.5$  under stable conditions.
- [12] (a) Suppose that an all-OK ARL (average run length) of around 100 and quickest possible detection of the process mean off target by 1 are desirable. Set up an EWMA chart for this situation. Does a value of  $\bar{x} = 201$  trigger an alarm?
- [8] (b) If the process mean is actually 201 and  $\sigma$  is 2, obtain the ARL of your scheme in part (a).
- [22] 2. Consider the use of the PI(D) controller  $\Delta X(t) = 0.6\Delta E(t) + 0.3E(t)$ . Suppose that
- the uncontrolled process  $Z(t) = 1 + t$  for all  $t \geq -1$
  - the target for the controlled variable is  $T(t) = 2$  for  $t \leq 2$  and  $T(t) = 5$  for  $t > 2$
  - control begins at time 0 (after observing  $Z(0)$ )
  - the effect of a control action on  $Y(s)$  is  $\Delta X(t)$  for all  $s \geq t + 1$  (i.e.,  $Y(t) = Z(t) + \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} \Delta X(s)$ ).
- [12] (a) Find the values of  $Z(t)$ ,  $Y(t)$ , and  $E(t)$  for  $t = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ , and 5.
- [10] (b) Find the best controller  $\Delta X(t)$  (not necessarily a PID controller) so that  $Y(t) = Z(t) + \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} \Delta X(s)$  is equal to the target  $T(t)$  for all  $t \geq 1$ .
- [15] 3. In an experiment made on the amount of carbon in cast iron, 2 heats of cast iron were studied on each of 2 days, and 3 determinations of carbon content were made for each of the first three heats and 4 determinations were made for the last heat. Assume that the resulting data,  $y_{ijk}$ 's, can be described by a hierarchical normal random effects model. Find sensible point estimates of the parameters  $\sigma_\alpha^2$ ,  $\sigma_\beta^2$ , and  $\sigma^2$  (the “day”, “heat(day)”, and “error” variance components).

[25] 4. Consider the following percent defective acceptance sampling plan. For

$X_n$  = the number of defective items found through the  $n$ th item inspected,

the plan rejects the lot if  $X_n \geq \min(3, 1 + 0.5n)$  and accepts the lot if  $X_n \leq 0.4n - 1$  or after inspecting a maximum of 7 items without rejecting the lot.

- [9] (a) Find expressions for the OC (operating characteristic) and the ASN (average sample number) of this plan.
- [8] (b) Find expressions for the AOQ (average outgoing quality) and ATI (average number of items inspected per lot) of this plan, if it is used in a rectifying inspection scheme for lots of size  $N = 100$ .
- [8] (c) What is the UMVUE (uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator) of  $p$  (the percent defective) of this plan? Say what value one should estimate for every possible stop-sampling point.

[18] 5. Consider single sampling based on a normally distributed variable.

- [10] (a) Find a double limits variables sampling plan with  $L = 1.14$ ,  $U = 1.16$ ,  $\sigma = 0.003$ ,  $p_1 = 0.05$ ,  $Pa_1 = 0.9$ ,  $p_2 = 0.1$ , and  $Pa_2 = 0.1$ .
- [8] (b) How does  $n$  in part (a) compare with what would be required for an attributes sampling plan with a comparable OC curve?