

Armed with the ability to compute ARL's for CUSUMs we can consider rational choice of parameters. — This is well documented for iid Q .

Bottom Line: For fixed "target" and σ_Q , there are many h_1, k_1 pairs that will produce this.

I can choose among these h_1, k_1 pairs to get an optimal ARL at $target + \delta$.

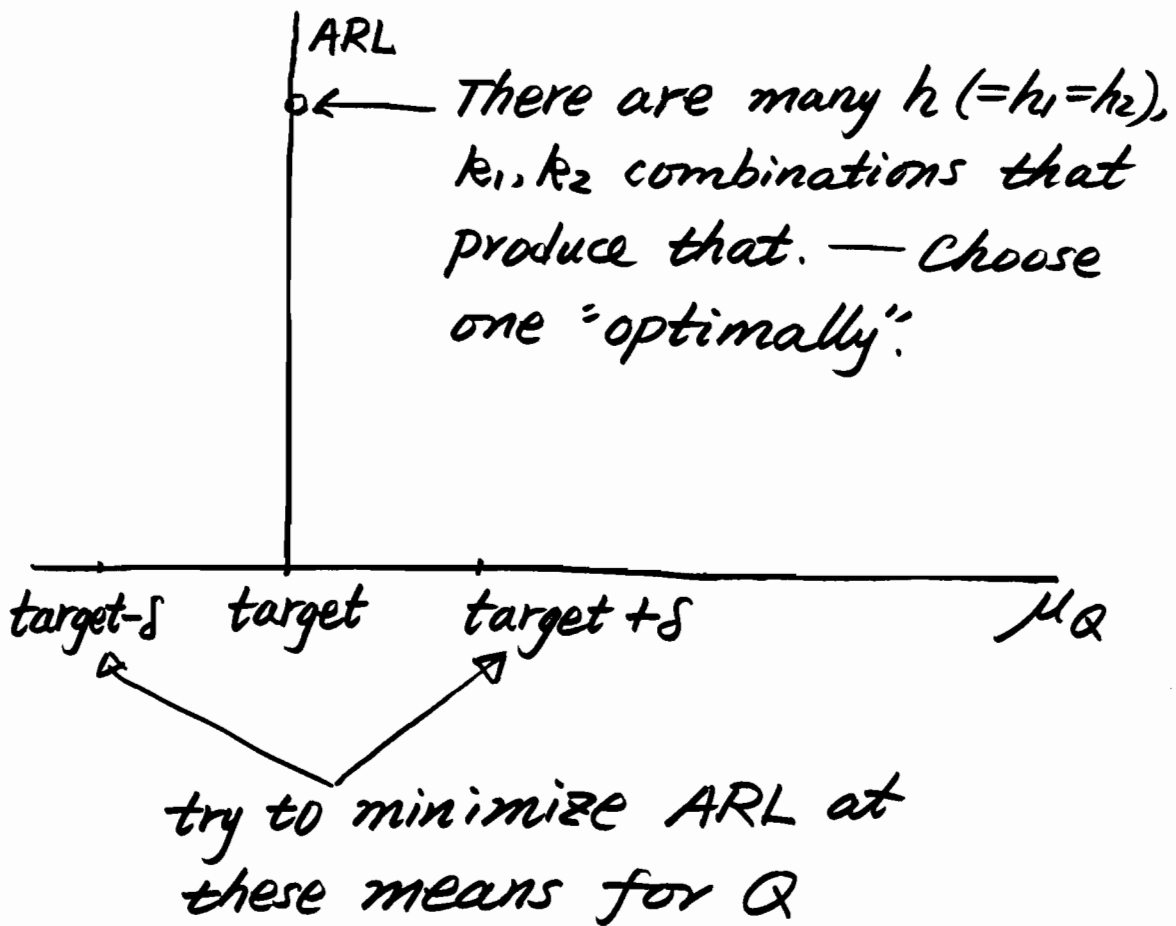
How? Let

$$k_1^{opt} = target + \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$(k_2^{opt} = target - \frac{\delta}{2}) \leftarrow \text{low side CUSUM}$$

Then choose h_1 (h_2) to get the desired on-target ARL — see pages 147-148 of V&J.

There is a similar story to tell for 2-sided schemes.



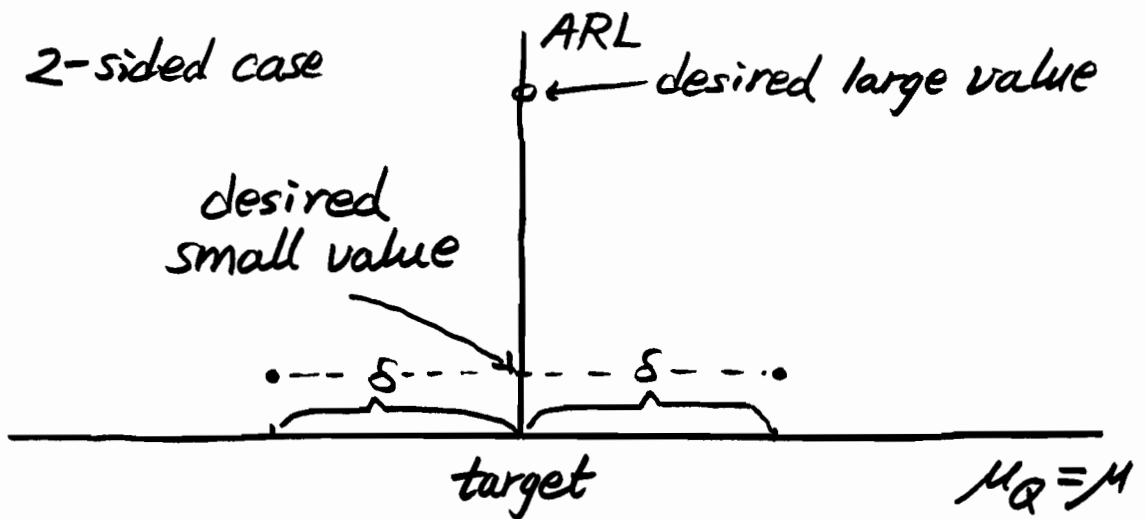
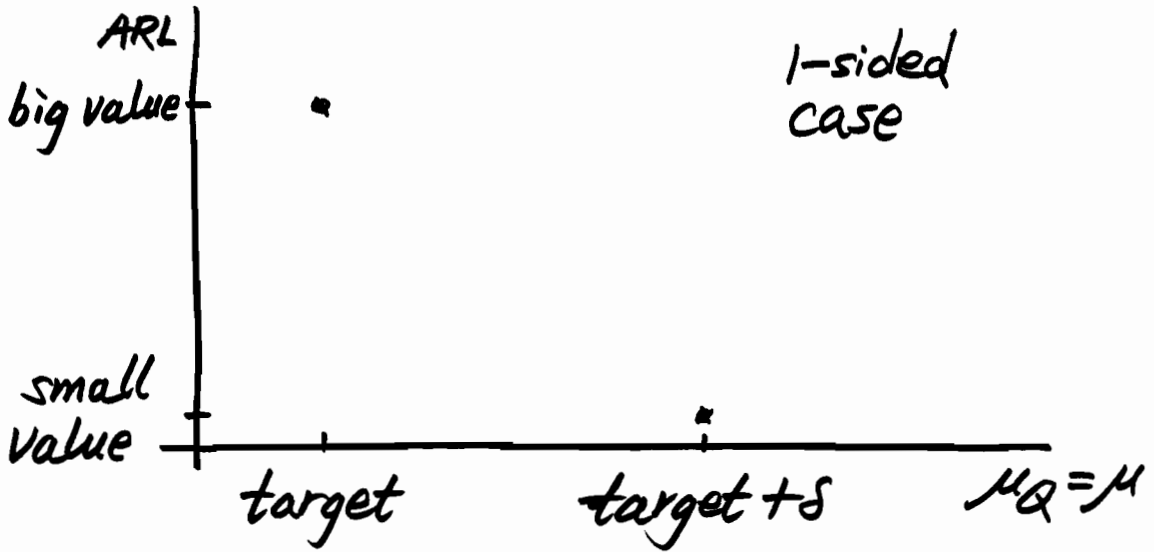
How? Choose k_1^{opt}, k_2^{opt} as before and then find $h (=h_1=h_2)$ to get the desired on-target ARL — see pages 147–148 of V&J.

A few other CUSUM issues
(see §4.2.2 of V&J)

1) Sample size choice / chart design for the case $Q = \bar{x}, \sigma_Q = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$.

Here if I'm choosing chart parameters and n , at least approximately I can

have:



See pages 151, 152 of V&J (makes use of the k_1^{opt} and/or k_2^{opt} from before)

2) "FIR" CUSUMS

(fast initial response) — after an alarm and intervention there can be a fair chance of failure to fix a problem and in such cases one really wants a "quick alarm." —

(1982, Technometrics)

With this motivation, Lucas & Crosier suggested

one-sided schemes: $u = \frac{h_1}{2}$ or $v = -\frac{h_2}{2}$

two-sided scheme: $u = \frac{h}{2}$ and $v = -\frac{h}{2}$

(i.e., start "half way to an alarm")

- In comparison to 0-headstart CUSUMS this requires only a very small increase in decision interval in order to maintain a given on-target ARL. (page 155)

— See Tables 4.10 and 4.11 in V&J and compare to Tables 4.5 and 4.6.

— They provide some fairly (page 147) important gains in off-target ARLs.

3) Shewhart-CUSUM combinations

CUSUMs do well at detecting small changes in μ_Q but are "poor" at detecting big changes.



Lucas suggested using a 3.5 sigma or 4 sigma Shewhart limit along with a CUSUM — (Lucas, 1982, *Journal of Quality Technology*)

This doesn't change ARLs much at or near target and improves them substantially off-target —

ARL behavior for Shewhart-CUSUM can be handled with MC's and with integral equations — see, e.g., problems 2.28 and 2.29 of the notes.

EWMA Control Charts (§4.1 of V&J)

- alternative to CUSUM schemes
- in some ways they have similar ARL properties (at least in one way they are much inferior)

← EWMA's

For a $0 < \lambda \leq 1$, let

$$EWMA_0 = \text{target}$$

$$EWMA_i = \lambda Q_i + (1-\lambda)EWMA_{i-1}$$

Action/Control Limits: $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{target} + k \\ \text{target} - k \end{array} \right\}$ for $k > 0$

ARL properties?

Design of such a scheme? (Choice of λ, k)

Suppose Q_1, Q_2, \dots are iid with marginal probability density f . Let

$L(u) = \text{ARL beginning from } u$

(primarily I'm interested in $L(\text{target})$)

Begin with an integral equation approach.

Notice first that there is no signal if

$$\text{target} - h < \lambda Q + (1-\lambda)u < \text{target} + h, \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\underline{\text{target} - h - (1-\lambda)u} < \lambda Q < \underline{\text{target} + h - (1-\lambda)u}$$

$$\text{or } \underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda}(\checkmark)}_* < Q < \underbrace{\frac{1}{\lambda}(\checkmark)}_{**}$$

and otherwise I get a signal.

Thus

$$L(u) = 1 \cdot P[Q \notin (*, **)]$$

$$+ \int_*^{**} (1 + L(\lambda t + (1-\lambda)u)) f(t) dt$$

$$= 1 + \int_*^{**} L(\lambda t + (1-\lambda)u) f(t) dt$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_{\text{target}-h}^{\text{target}+h} L(y) f\left(\frac{y - (1-\lambda)u}{\lambda}\right) dy$$

$$(\text{let } y = \lambda t + (1-\lambda)u)$$

If I can solve for $L(u)$ I have ARLs.

To do so (to find approximate solutions)
I need a quadrature rule for integrals
on $(\text{target} - h, \text{target} + h)$, i.e.,

$$\text{points } \text{target} - h \leq a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \\ \leq a_m \leq \text{target} + h$$

$$\text{and weights } w_j \geq 0 \quad \sum w_j = 2h$$

So I can approximate

$$\int_{\text{target} - h}^{\text{target} + h} g(t) dt \approx \sum_{j=1}^m w_j g(a_j)$$

Then for $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ one can write

$$L(a_i) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j L(a_j) f\left(\frac{a_j - (1-\lambda)a_i}{\lambda}\right).$$

This is a big set of linear equations in
 m unknowns $L(a_1), L(a_2), \dots, L(a_m)$ of
the form

$$L \approx 1 + RL$$

for

$$L_{m \times 1} = \begin{pmatrix} L(a_1) \\ \vdots \\ L(a_m) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } R_{m \times m} = \begin{pmatrix} w_j f\left(\frac{a_j - (1-\lambda)a_i}{\lambda}\right) \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}$$

So if I can invert $m \times m$ matrices I write

$$L \approx (I - R)^{-1} 1$$

and get approximate values for $L(a_1), \dots, L(a_m)$ and then

$$L(u) \approx 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{j=1}^m w_j L(a_j) f\left(\frac{a_j - (1-\lambda)u}{\lambda}\right)$$

Pages 33 & 34 of the notes give a MC treatment of this EWMA ARL stuff and page 34 of the notes gives the approximate equivalence of the 2 methods.

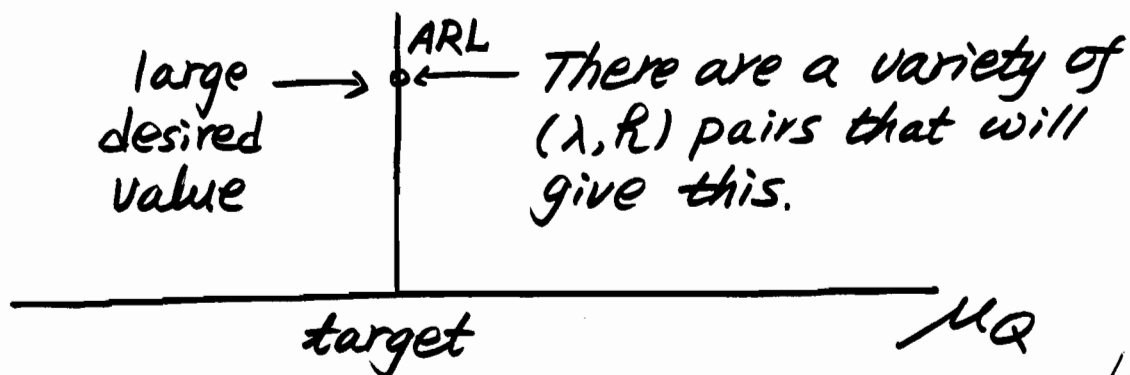
Crowder computed ARL's for normal Q

— see his program on Professor

Vardeman's Stat 531 Web page. — Table A.3 of V&J was created using Crowder's program.

EWMA Chart Design? (Choice of λ and k)

For normal (iid) Q with fixed σ_Q :



We can choose a (λ, h) pair to optimize some off-target ARL or choose one with a "nice" λ (for computational simplicity).

To optimize/minimize ARL at target $\pm \delta$ I use λ specified in Table 4.2 of V&J (page 138) (these were obtained by Crowder using a numerical search).

small $\delta \Rightarrow \lambda^{\text{opt}}$ small

large $\delta \Rightarrow \lambda^{\text{opt}}$ large (but < 1)

Note that I expect EWMA to beat Shewhart for small changes in μ_Q from a target.

Having chosen λ ("optimally" or not) pages 138 & 139 of V&J show how to choose h to get a desired on-target ARL (assuming $EWMA_0 = \text{target}$).

CUSUM VS. EWMA:

Both provide ARL improvement over Shewhart. Some believe them to be equivalent ... But they are not.

Yashchin's Objection

Normal iid Q with fixed σ_Q .

ARL functions for 2-sided schemes

$$L_{\text{CUSUM}}(u, v / \mu_Q). \quad L_{\text{EWMA}}(u / \mu_Q)$$

Design for

$$L(\text{start} / \text{target}) = \text{ARL target}$$

$$L(\text{start} / \text{target} \pm \delta) = \text{optimal}$$

Then

$$L_{\text{CUSUM}}(0, 0 / \text{target} \pm \delta) \approx L_{\text{EWMA}}(\text{target} / \text{target} \pm \delta)$$

Optimally designed CUSUMs and EWMAAs have about the same off-target ARLs from a place where CUSUMs have zeroed out and EWMA is half way between the control limits. However, note what happens if we get a process change when schemes are not at initial conditions:

$$L_{\text{CUSUM}}(u, v / \text{target} \pm \delta) \leq L_{\text{CUSUM}}(0, 0 / \text{target} \pm \delta)$$

i.e., regardless of where the CUSUM is at the moment of a shift, one is never

worse off than if both high- and low-side schemes were zeroed out.

However, for the EWMA schemes things are different. If we get a shift of $\delta > 0$ when we are at $EWMA = u < \text{target}$,

$L_{EWMA}(u/\text{target} + \delta) > L_{EWMA}(\text{target}/\text{target} + \delta)$,
and in fact the difference between these can be huge.

— i.e., EWMA has worse "worst case" behavior than the CUSUM.

By the way, there are some theoretical results that say CUSUMs are "optimal" as change detection procedures.

Bottom Line: Best available monitoring scheme is CUSUM + (loose) Shewhart

§4.4 of V&J one last piece of process

monitoring / ARL

X/MR

x_1, x_2, \dots individuals

At time $t \geq 1$ chart x_t and for $t \geq 2$ also chart $MR_t = |x_t - x_{t-1}|$.

Alarming/signalling if

$$|x_t - \text{target}| > A \text{ or } MR_t > B.$$

Suppose x_i are iid with marginal density f and let

$L(y)$ = mean # of additional observations required to cause an alarm if the current observation is y (and no alarm to date).

Then

$$L(y) = 1 \cdot P[|x - \text{target}| > A \text{ or } |x - y| > B] + \int_{\max\{\text{target} - A, y - B\}}^{\min\{\text{target} + A, y + B\}} (1 + L(x)) f(x) dx$$

Picture:

