Phase I Monitoring of Nonlinear Profiles

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Profile Monitoring

Scenario

- Monitor a process or product whose quality cannot be assessed by a single quality characteristic
- Measure across some continuum (a sequence of time, space, etc.) producing a "profile"
- Various profile shapes:
 - Linear Profiles: (Kang and Albin (2000), Kim, Mahmoud, and Woodall (2003), Mahmoud and Woodall (2003))
 - Nonlinear Profiles: (Brill (2001))
- Very little work has been done to address monitoring nonlinear profiles (Woodall, *et. al.* (2003))

Profile Monitoring

Path forward

- Brill's (2001) method
- Suggest two more methods
- Illustrate methods with nonlinear profile data
- Recommendations

Example 1: Vertical Density Profile (VDP)



Board A1 from Walker and Wright (2002, JQT)

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Example 2: Dose-Response Profile of a Drug



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Phase I Analysis: Historical Data



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Brief Intro to Nonlinear Regression Models

Simple Case: One Y and one X

$$y_i = f(x_i, \boldsymbol{\beta}) + \mathcal{E}_i \qquad i = 1, \dots, n$$

where

 \mathcal{Y}_i is the ith response

 $f(x_i, \beta)$ is an appropriate nonlinear function

 X_i is the ith regressor variable value

B is the $p \times 1$ vector of parameters to estimate

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 \mathcal{E}_i is the ith residual error

Brief Intro to Nonlinear Regression Models

 $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_i$ obtained iteratively for each sample

$$\hat{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_i) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (\hat{\mathbf{D}}'_i \hat{\mathbf{D}}_i)^{-1} = \mathbf{C}_i$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{D}}_{i}$ is the estimated derivative matrix used in the estimation of the nonlinear regression parameters

Parameter Estimates from Historical Data



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How to Monitor Nonlinear Profiles

- Ideally, monitor each parameter independently
- <u>Problem</u>: parameter estimates are correlated in nonlinear regression
- Cannot monitor each parameter separately, so use a multivariate T^2 control chart to monitor the parameters simultaneously

Multivariate T² Control Chart Statistic

General form of the T^2 statistic:

$$T_i^2 = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_i - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)' \mathbf{S}^{-1} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_i - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

 \mathbf{S} is the covariance matrix of parameter estimates

Three Choices for S

Method 1: Sample Covariance Matrix (Brill, 2001)

$$\mathbf{S}_{1} = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}} \right) \times \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}} \right)'$$

- <u>Pros</u>: Easy to calculate
 - Widely used and easily understood
- <u>Cons</u>: Greatly affected by shifts in mean vector
 - Results in low power for the T^2 control chart

Three Choices for S

Method 2: Successive Differences (Holmes and Mergen, 1993)

Let
$$\mathbf{V}_{i} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i+1} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i}$$
 $i = 1, \dots, m-1$
 $\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{1}' \\ \mathbf{v}_{2}' \\ \mathbf{v}_{m-1}' \end{bmatrix}$ Then $\mathbf{S}_{2} = \frac{\mathbf{V}'\mathbf{V}}{2(m-1)}$

- <u>**Pros</u>:** Like moving range with individual observations</u>
 - Not effected by shifts in the mean vector
 - High power
- <u>Cons</u>: Less statistical theory developed to date

Three Choices for S

Method 3: Intra-Profile Pooling

For each of the *m* samples:
$$Var(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_i) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (\hat{\boldsymbol{D}}'_i \hat{\boldsymbol{D}}_i)^{-1} = \mathbf{C}_i$$

Then
$$\mathbf{S}_3 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{C}_i$$

- <u>**Pros</u>: Uses information from nonlinear regression estimation**</u>
- <u>Cons</u>: Does not account for profile-to-profile common cause variability

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Three Choices for T_i^2

<u>Three formulations of the T^2 statistic:</u>

Method 1: Sample
Covariance Matrix
$$T_{1,i}^{2} = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)' \mathbf{S}_{1}^{-1} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)$$
Method 2: Successive
Differences
$$T_{2,i}^{2} = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)' \mathbf{S}_{2}^{-1} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)$$
Method 3: Intra-Profile
Pooling
$$T_{3,i}^{2} = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)' \mathbf{S}_{3}^{-1} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{i} - \overline{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}\right)$$

Upper Control Limits

Method 1: Sample Covariance Matrix

$$T_1^2 \frac{m}{(m-1)^2} \sim Beta\left(\frac{p}{2}, \frac{m-p-1}{2}\right)$$

As discussed by Sullivan and Woodall (1996)

$$UCL_{1} = \frac{(m-1)^{2}}{m} B_{1-\alpha, p/2, (m-p-1)/2}$$

Upper Control Limits

Method 2: Successive Differences

Approximately
$$T_2^2 \frac{m}{(m-1)^2} \sim Beta\left(\frac{p}{2}, \frac{f-p-1}{2}\right)$$

where $f = \frac{2(m-1)^2}{3m-4}$

For more information, see Scholz and Tosch (1994)

$$UCL_{2} = \frac{(m-1)^{2}}{m} B_{1-\alpha,p/2,(f-p-1)/2}$$

Upper Control Limits

Method 3: Intra-Profile Pooling

We think that
approximately
$$T_3^2 \frac{m(m-p)}{p(m-1)(m+1)} \sim F(p,m-p)$$
$$UCL_3 = \frac{m(m-p)}{p(m-1)(m+1)} F_{1-\alpha,p,m-p}$$

Control limits are best approximations so far

Illustration: VDP Data



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Nonlinear Function to Model VDP Data

Use a "bathtub" function to model each board from the VDP data

$$f(x_i, \mathbf{\beta}) = \begin{cases} a_1(x_i - d)^{b_1} + c & x_i > d \\ a_2(-x_i + d)^{b_2} + c & x_i \le d \end{cases}$$

where

e X_i is the ith regressor variable value $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \neq \text{determine the "flatness" of the "bathtub"}$

Nonlinear Function to Model VDP Data



Board #1 from Walker and Wright (2002, JQT)

Nonlinear Function to Model VDP Data

Estimated nonlinear profile of Board #1

$$f(x_i, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \begin{cases} 5708(x_i - 0.313)^{5.14} + 46.0 & x_i > 0.313\\ 3921(-x_i + 0.313)^{4.87} + 46.0 & x_i \le 0.313 \end{cases}$$

- Estimate profile for each board
- Calculate S_1 , S_2 , and S_3 .

• Calculate
$$T_1^2$$
, T_2^2 , and T_3^2

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T_1^2 Control Chart



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T_2^2 Control Chart



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T_1^2 and T_2^2 Control Charts



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Board 15



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Board 18





Boards 3 and 6



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Conclusions

- Method 1 (sample covariance matrix) does not take into account the sequential sampling structure of the data:
 - The overall probability of detecting a shift in the mean vector will decrease (See Sullivan and Woodall, 1996)
 - Should not be used
- Method 2 (successive differences) accounts for the sequential sampling scheme, and gives a more robust estimate of the covariance matrix
- In the VDP example, both Methods 1 and 2 gave same result because
 - No apparent shift in the mean vector
 - There were only about two outliers

Conclusions

- Method 3 (intra-profile pooling) should be used when there is no profile-to-profile common cause variability
- Comparison of the three methods:
 - Method 1 assumes all variability is due to common cause
 - Method 3 assumes that no variability is due to common cause
 - Method 2 is somewhere in the middle

Issue: Monitoring parameters versus monitoring the fitted curves

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