

Appendix I

Derivation of expression (4.6)

For the multiple samples, we have the posterior probability density function (PDF), $f(\mu, \sigma | \mathbf{X})$ of (μ, σ) expressed in (4.1) as

$$f(\mu, \sigma | \mathbf{X}) = \frac{2\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \sigma^{-(\sum_{i=1}^m n_i + 1)} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

Therefore, given a pre-specified capability level $w > 0$, the posterior probability based on index C_{pk} that a process is capable is given as

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \Pr\{C_{pk} > w | \mathbf{X}\} = \Pr\left\{\frac{d - |\mu - M|}{3\sigma} > w \mid \mathbf{X}\right\} \\ &= \Pr\{|\mu - M| < d - 3\sigma w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\ &= \Pr\{M - d + 3\sigma w < \mu < M + d - 3\sigma w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{M-d+3\sigma w}^{M+d-3\sigma w} f(\mu, \sigma | \mathbf{X}) d\mu d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{M-d+3\sigma w}^{M+d-3\sigma w} \frac{2\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \sigma^{-(\sum_{i=1}^m n_i + 1)} \times \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) d\mu d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\sqrt{2\pi} \Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \sigma^{-(\sum_{i=1}^m n_i + 1)} \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \int_{M-d+3\sigma w}^{M+d-3\sigma w} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i (\mu - \bar{x})^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) d\mu d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left[\Phi\left(\frac{M + d - 3\sigma w - \bar{x}}{\sigma / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{M - d + 3\sigma w - \bar{x}}{\sigma / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}\right) \right] d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left[\Phi\left(\frac{d + (M - \bar{x})}{s_p / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}} \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \Phi\left(\frac{-d + (M - \bar{x})}{s_p / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}} \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} + 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) \right] d\sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left[\Phi\left(\frac{d - (\bar{x} - M)}{s_p / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}} \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Phi\left(\frac{d - (M - \bar{x})}{s_p / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}} \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) - 1 \right] d\sigma.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.1}$$

where $\alpha = (\sum_{i=1}^m n_i - 1)/2$, $\beta = [\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \bar{x})^2 / 2]^{-1}$, $\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij} / \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij}$, $s_p^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)s_i^2 / \sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)$ is the pooled variance of subsamples and $\Phi(\cdot)$ is the CDF of $N(0,1)$. Next, we consider the two cases for derivation of posterior probability p as follows:

[Case 1]:

$$\text{If } \bar{x} \geq M, \text{ then } \hat{C}_{pk}^* = \frac{d - (\bar{x} - M)}{3s_p} \text{ and } \frac{d - (M - \bar{x})}{3s_p} = \frac{d + (\bar{x} - M)}{3s_p} = \hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta,$$

where $\delta = |\bar{x} - m|/s_p$. Thus, the expression (A.1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= \Pr\{C_{pk} > w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left[\Phi\left(3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \hat{C}_{pk}^* \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Phi\left(3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta\right) \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) - 1 \right] d\sigma.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.2}$$

[Case 2]:

$$\text{If } \bar{x} < M, \text{ then } \frac{d - (\bar{x} - M)}{3s_p} = \frac{d + (M - \bar{x})}{3s_p} = \hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta \text{ and } \frac{d - (M - \bar{x})}{3s_p} = \hat{C}_{pk}^*,$$

where $\delta = |\bar{x} - m|/s_p$. Thus, the expression (A.1) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= \Pr\{C_{pk} > w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left[\Phi\left(3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta\right) \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Phi\left(3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \hat{C}_{pk}^* \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i w}\right) - 1 \right] d\sigma.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.3}$$

From both cases expressed in (A.2) and (A.3), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= \Pr\{C_{pk} > w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{2\sigma^{-\sum_{i=1}^m n_i}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\beta\sigma^2}\right) \times \left\{ \Phi\left[3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - w\right)\right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Phi\left[3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta\right) \times \frac{s_p}{\sigma} - w\right)\right] - 1 \right\} d\sigma.
\end{aligned} \tag{A.4}$$

By changing the variable, we let $y = \beta\sigma^2$. Then, $dy = 2\beta\sigma d\sigma$, and $s_p/\sigma = \sqrt{2r/\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)y}$. Thus, the posterior probability p for multiple samples, which given in (A.4) can be simplified to:

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= \Pr\{\text{the process is capable} \mid \mathbf{X}\} = \Pr\{C_{pk} > w \mid \mathbf{X}\} \\
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)y^{\alpha+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{y}\right) \times \left\{ \Phi \left[3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* \times \sqrt{\frac{2r}{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)y}} - w \right) \right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \Phi \left[3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta \right) \times \sqrt{\frac{2r}{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)y}} - w \right] - 1 \right\} dy \\
&= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)y^{\alpha+1}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{y}\right) \times \{ \Phi[b_1(y)] + \Phi[b_2(y)] - 1 \} dy,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha &= (\sum_{i=1}^m n_i - 1)/2, \quad \delta = \frac{|\bar{\bar{x}} - m|}{s_p}, \quad r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \bar{\bar{x}})^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)s_p^2}{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)s_p^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m n_i (\bar{x}_i - \bar{\bar{x}})^2}, \\
b_1(y) &= 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* \times \sqrt{\frac{2r}{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)y}} - w \right), \\
b_2(y) &= 3\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m n_i} \left(\hat{C}_{pk}^* + \frac{2}{3}\delta \right) \times \sqrt{\frac{2r}{\sum_{i=1}^m (n_i - 1)y}} - w.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the posterior probability p that a process is capable based on the index C_{pk} for multiple samples, which given in (4.6) can be derived.