

Quality Management

→ What is quality?

Quality is the totality of features & characteristics of a product or service that bear on its ability to satisfy a given need.

OR

Quality refers to an equilibrium level of functionality possessed by a product or service based on the producer's capability & customer's need.

→ Quality generally signifies "excellence" of a product or service.

→ Quality is what customer wants.

Dimension of quality

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|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1) Performance | 2) Features | 3) Durability |
| 4) Reliability | 5) Serviceability | 6) Appearance |
| 7) Uniformity | 8) Consistency & Conformance | 9) Safety |
| 10) Time | 11) Customer Service | 12) Compatibility |

→ According to International Organisation of Standardisation (ISO) "Quality means the totality of features & characteristics of a product or service that bear on its ability to satisfy implied needs".

Factors Influencing quality

- i) Technological advancement → It includes degree of mechanisation, technical knowhow, product design etc.
- ii) Quality of Human Resources -
 - quality of worker
 - willingness of the worker
 - The environment under which he has to work.
- iii) Availability of funds
- iv) Management Commitment
- v) Natural factors

Steps to Improve quality

- i) Improved Raw materials
- ii) Better technology
- iii) Scientific selection of workers
- iv) Good working conditions
- v) Harmonious relations
- vi) Quality & Cost consciousness
- vii) Industrial Research.

Quality Control

Control of quality deals with the determination of quality standards & measurement of control necessary to see that the established standards are maintained & Practised.

→ Quality control is the function of ensuring that the product quality conforms to predetermined standards.

Areas of application of Quality Control

- i) Products
- ii) Processes
- iii) People → (employee)

Control Charts

A control chart is a statistical tool for indicating variations in quality from standards.

→ Control charts are used for controlling the quality of manufacturing operations as well as finished products.

→ They are used for variable & attribute control.

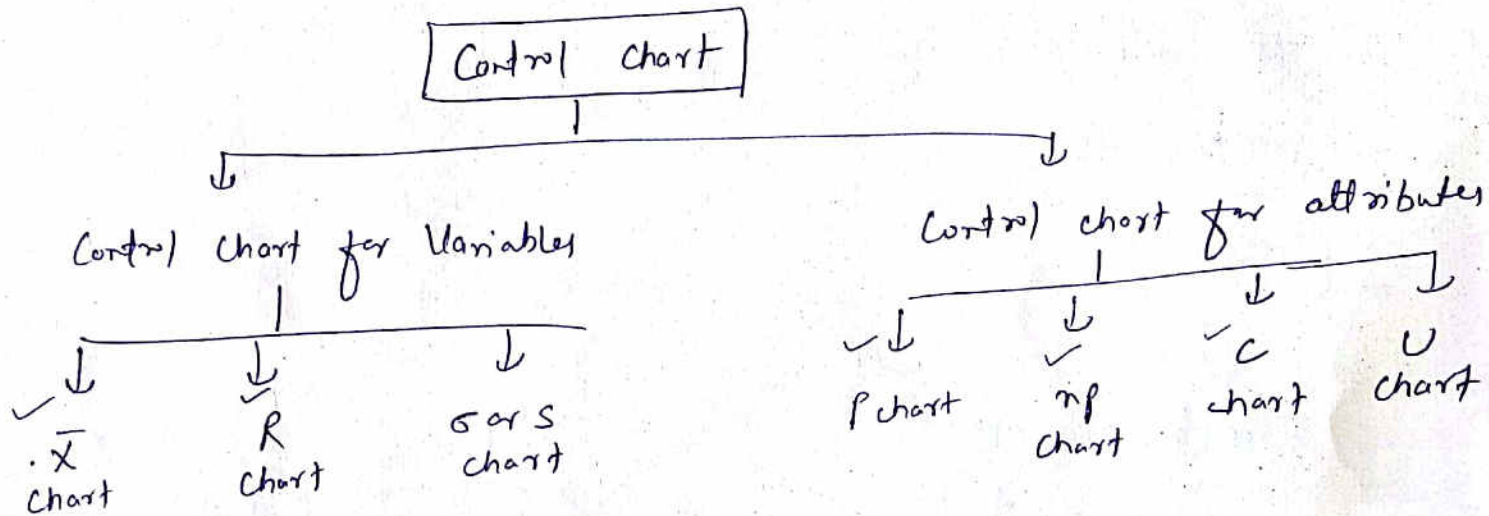
- Control charts —
- (i) Mean ($\bar{X}$) chart
 - (ii) Range (R) chart
 - (iii) Defective (P) chart
 - (iv) Defects per unit (c) chart.

Types of Control charts

- (i) Control charts for Variables — These charts are used to achieve & maintain quality level for a process, whose output product can be subjected to quantitative measurement & dimensional check.

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Control chart for attributes - These charts are used to achieve & maintain an acceptable quality level for a process whose o/p products are not subjected to dimensional or quantitative measurement but can be classified as good or bad or acceptable or non-acceptable.

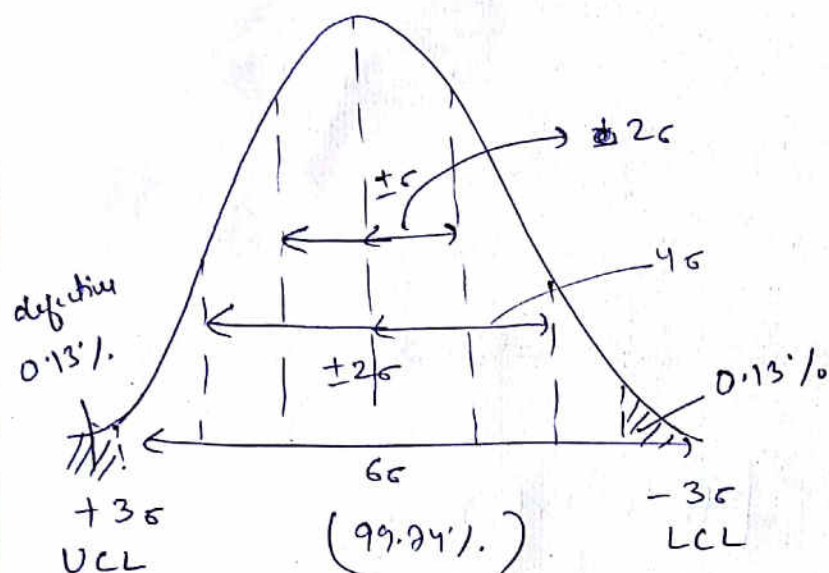


i) Control chart for Variables

→ It is generally based on mean ($\bar{X}$) or range (R) of sample measurement.

→ R chart → When the quality controller is interested in the range of differences b/w the largest & when the quality controller is interested in largest & smallest measurements, then we use R chart.

→ It shows the variation in the range of sample. This chart is a measure of spread of samples.



UCL = upper control limit

LCL = lower control limit.

(99.74% of items falls within this region.)

So only 0.26% defective items are produced on a longer run.

$\bar{X}$ Chart → It shows the centering of the process or in other words it shows the variation in the avg. Sample.

Sample No.	Item No.				Sample mean ($\bar{X}_i$)
1	11	12	13	14	$\frac{11+12+13+14}{4} = \text{---}$
2	15	16	17	18	$\frac{15+16+17+18}{4} = \text{---}$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
					average ($\bar{\bar{X}}_i$) = ---

average population
 $\sigma_p =$ ~~population~~ standard deviation

$\sigma =$ std. deviation

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (\bar{X}_i - \bar{\bar{X}}_i)^2}{n}}$$

$$UCL = \bar{\bar{X}}_i + 3\sigma_p$$

$$LCL = \bar{\bar{X}}_i - 3\sigma_p$$

when, $n =$ Sample Size
 $\bar{\bar{X}}_i =$ avg. Sample mean

$\bar{X}_i =$ Sample mean

(ii) R-Chart → It shows the variation in the range of sample. This chart is measure of spread of the samples.

Sample No.	Item No. 1	Item No. 2	Item No. 3	Item No. 4	Sample Range (R_i)
1	10	20	30	40	Max value - Min value 40 - 10 = 30
2	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
3	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
					average ($\bar{R}_i$) =

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (R_i - \bar{R}_i)^2}{n}}$$

$$UCL = \bar{R}_i + 3\sigma_p$$

$$LCL = 0$$

or $LCL = \bar{R}_i - 3\sigma_p$

where, n = Sample size
 $\bar{R}_i$ = average Range
 R_i = Sample range

Control Chart for Attributes

(i) P-chart → It is also known as fraction or proportion defective chart. It is used for the situation when sample size is not constant.

Sample no.	No. of inspected / Sample size	no. of defective	Proportion defective
1	n_1	d_1	$p_1 = \frac{d_1}{n_1}$
2	n_2	d_2	$p_2 = \frac{d_2}{n_2}$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
N	n_N	d_N	$p_N = \frac{d_N}{n_N}$

$$\text{average Sample Size } (\bar{n}) = \frac{n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_N}{N}$$

average proportion defective ($\bar{P}$) = $\frac{P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_N}{N}$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{\bar{P}(1-\bar{P})}{n}}$$

$$UCL = \bar{P} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{\bar{P}(1-\bar{P})}{n}}$$

$$LCL = 0$$

$$\text{or } LCL = \bar{P} - 3 \sqrt{\frac{\bar{P}(1-\bar{P})}{n}}$$

when $\bar{P}$ = avg. proportion defective

σ_p = Standard deviation of avg. proportion

n = avg. sample size

(ii) np chart - It is also known as no. of defective chart & is used for the situation where sample size is constant.

Sample No.	Sample Size	No. of defective	Proportion defective
1	n_1	d_1	$P_1 = \frac{d_1}{n}$
2	n_2	d_2	$P_2 = \frac{d_2}{n}$
...	n	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
N	n	d_N	$P_N = \frac{d_N}{n}$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{\bar{P}(1-\bar{P})}{n}}$$

$\bar{P}$ - as same in p chart we have used.

$$UCL = \bar{P} + 3 \sqrt{\frac{\bar{P}(1-\bar{P})}{n}}$$

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(iii) C - Chart → It is also known as count of defect chart & it is used when we can compute only the no. of defects but cannot compute the proportion that is defective.

lot No.	defects
1	d_1
2	d_2
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
N	d_N

average no. of defect count ($\bar{C}$) =

$$(\bar{C}) = \frac{\text{sum of defect count (dn)}}{N}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\bar{C}}$$

$$UCL = \bar{C} + 3\sqrt{\bar{C}}$$

$$LCL = \bar{C} - 3\sqrt{\bar{C}}$$

ZERO DEFECT

Zero defect means that even if there is a single defective unit in the sample of manufactured parts or products, the whole lot is rejected.

→ The purpose is to motivate the workers & supervisors to manufacture flawless products in the first instance so that there are no rejections, & the company is able to create an image for high quality products.

→ The idea is to create among workers & supervisors pride in workmanship & build quality consciousness.

→ For achieving zero defects production may also tempt engineers to set loose tolerances which may result into production of sub-standard products.

Total Quality Management (TQM)

TQM may be defined as creating an organisational culture committed to the continuous improvement of skills, teamwork, processes, product & service quality & customer satisfaction.

→ TQM is an effective system of integrating quality developments, quality maintenance, quality improvement efforts of various group in an organisation.

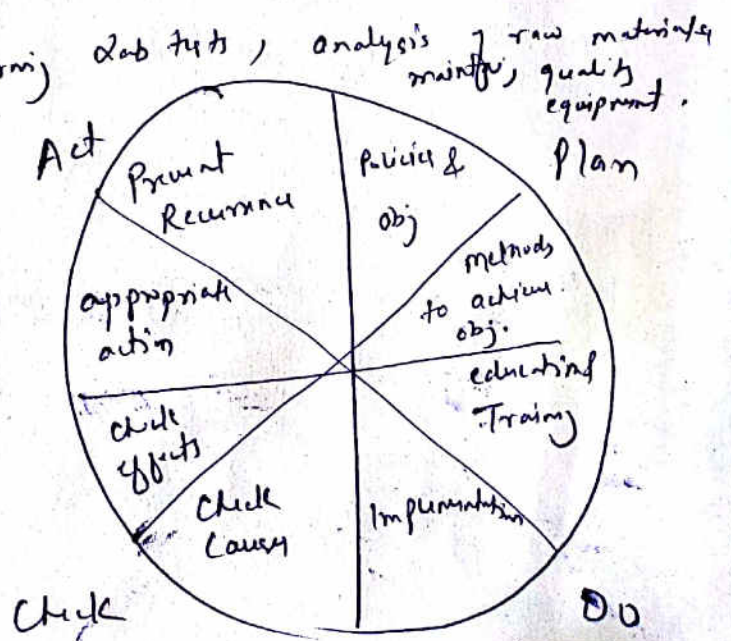
→ For achieving total quality, three things are essential -

- (i) meeting customer's requirement
- (ii) Continuous improvement through management process
- (iii) Involvement of all employees.

Roadmap of TQM

- (i) Quality Planning
- (ii) Quality Implementation - Performing lab tests, analysis of raw materials, maintn, quality equipment.
- (iii) Quality monitoring (Contn)

Steps in TQM



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Taguchi Philosophy

Genichi Taguchi proposed that it is not sufficient to control process, inspect quality o/p, identify & remove defects & rely on customer feedback, so he suggested that to improve quality, one must look upstream at the design stage i.e. that is where quality begins.

→ Taguchi developed quality engineering an approach that involves combining engineering & statistical method to reduce costs & improve quality to be optimising product design & manufacturing process.

Taguchi Quality loss function

→ Taguchi quality loss function estimates the loss to society from the failure of a product to meet its target value for a particular performance characteristic.

→ It is a statement that any deviation from the target value of a quality characteristic results in extra costs to some segment of society.

→ Taguchi defines quality in terms of social loss, loss to producers & consumers from the time a product is conceived,

→ Quality loss function is expressed as -

$$L = C(X - T)^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

C = a cost const.

Where, L = Total loss

X = actual avg. value of quality characteristic.

T = Target value of quality characteristic.

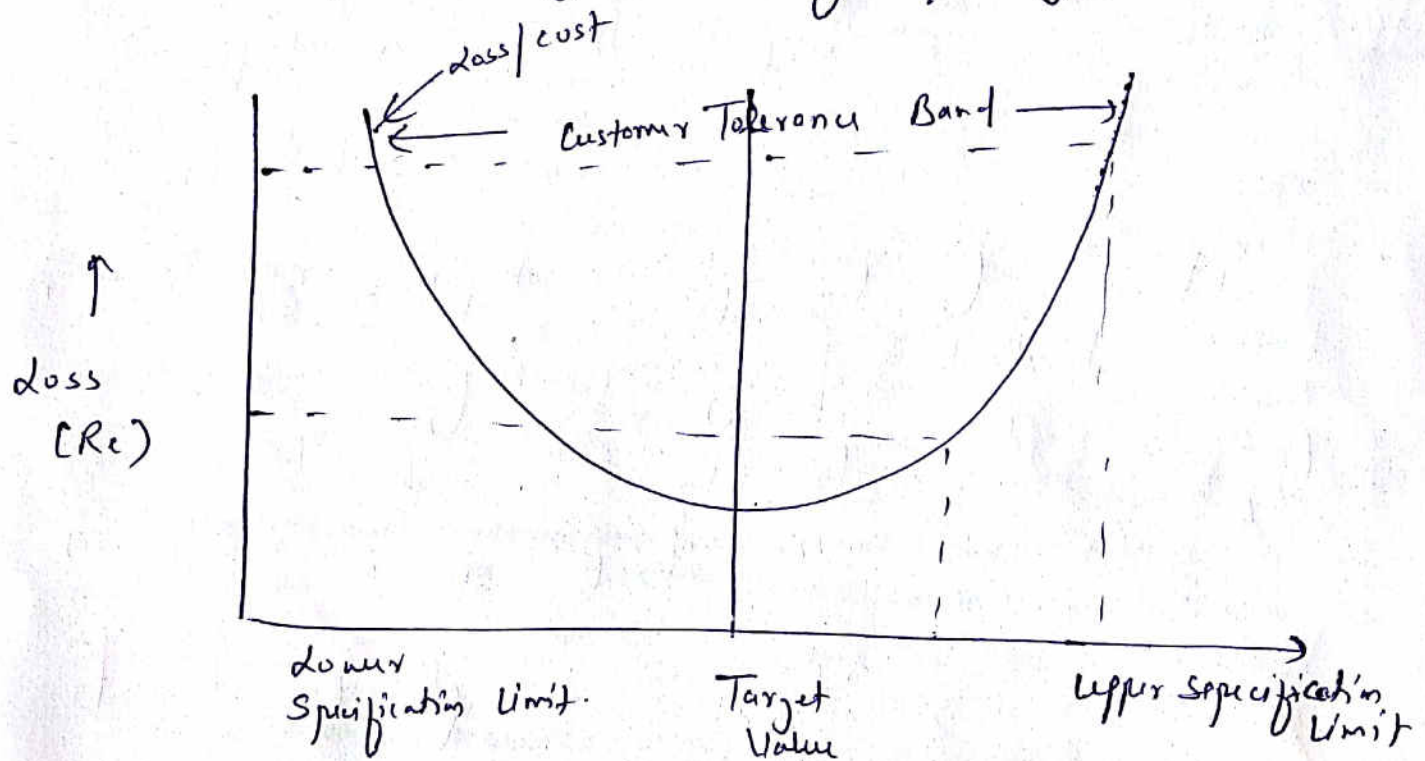


Fig:- Taguchi's quality loss function

→ eqn (1) shows that the loss from performance variation (L) is directly related to the square of the deviation (d) of the performance characteristic (X) from its ~~own~~ target value (T).

i.e. $L = C d^2$

or $L = C(X - T)^2$

Service Quality

Service quality includes both quality of core services & 4 facilitating services which enhance the value of core services of customer.

Component of Service quality system

⑩ The two key components of service system quality are -

① Employees

② Information Technology

"If we take care of our employee, they will take care of our customers".

SIX SIGMA

→ Six Sigma implies maintenance of the desired quality in processes & end products.

→ It means taking systematic & integrated efforts towards improving quality & reducing cost.

→ Six Sigma is a highly disciplined process that helps in developing & delivering near perfect product & service.

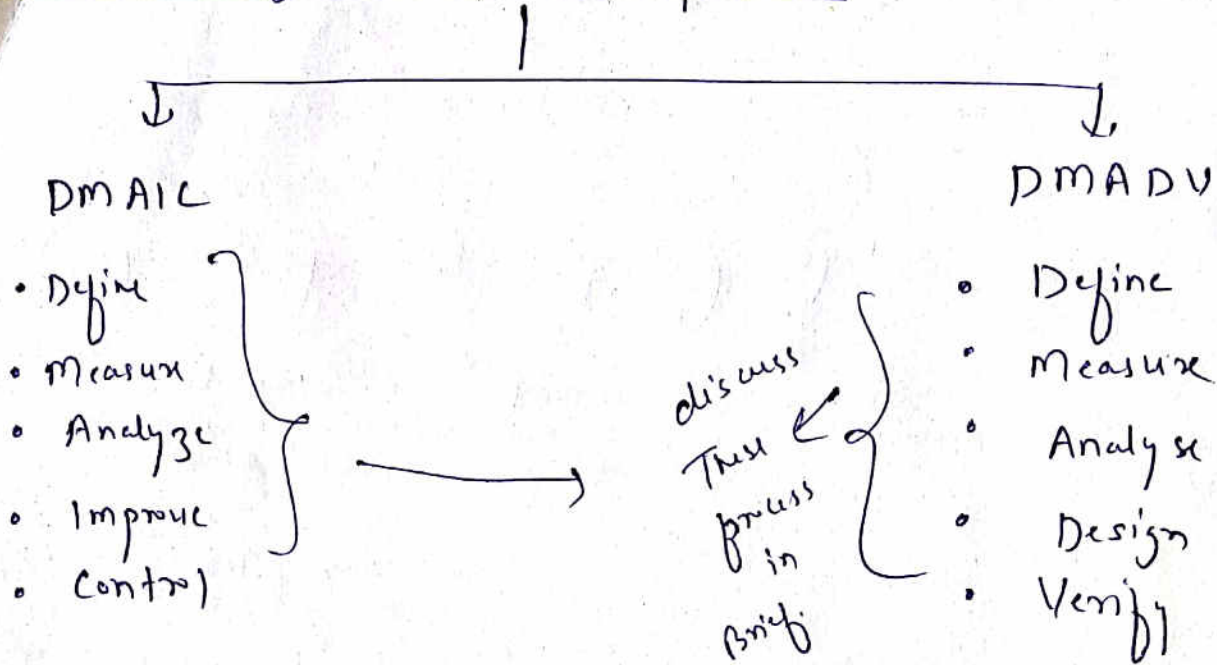
Three main areas of Six Sigma -

① Improving Customer Satisfaction

② Reducing Cycle Time

③ Reducing defects.

Six Sigma methodology



DMAIC → It is methodology acronym for five diff. steps used in six sigma directed towards improvement of existing products, process or service.

DMADV → DMADV is again acronym for the step followed in implementing six sigma. It is a strategy for designing new products, process & service.

