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SPC AND VARIATION REDUCTION

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Key Concepts Taught

- Foundations for Variation Reduction
- Linking Key Process Variables with Critical Product Attribute
- Quantifying Variation
- Sampling Manufacturing Processes
- Control Charts for Measurement and Attribute Data
- Capability Analysis
- Descriptive Statistics/Histograms
- Taguchi Loss Function
- Components of Variance
- Correlation Analysis
- GAGE R&R
- Control Charts for Autocorrelated Data/Difference Charts
- FMEA
- Process Flow Mapping/Value Stream Mapping
- Japanese Principle of 5-S
- SIPOC Diagrams
- SMED - Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE)
- Takt Time - Work Cells
- JIDOKA
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