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*Procedures are described which yield single and double sample Dodge-Romig [1] lot tolerance percent defective (LTPD) rectifying inspection plans. For the determination of such plans only a desk calculator and standard tables of the discrete probability distributions are required. Some advantages gained by using these procedures rather than the Dodge-Romig table include : (a) The Consumer's Risk is not limited to .10 (b) More choices of LTPD are available. (c) Smaller average total inspection is achieved by using a plan designed for specific "process average" and lot size rather than a compromise plan designed to cover intervals on these two parameters.*

1. INTRODUCTION

*A product that is mass produced is assembled at random into lots of size  $N$ . From each lot items are sampled at random and the number of defectives is observed. On the basis of the observation the lot is either accepted or rejected. If the lot is accepted all defective items found when sampling are replaced by non-defectives. If the lot is rejected all  $N$  items are examined and all defective items in the lot are replaced. The procedure just described is the special case of rectifying inspection which we are about to consider. Our goal is to determine reasonable sampling plans for the type of situation just described.*

*Let us assume that the process produces a defective with probability  $p$ . Each inspected lot will contain an unknown number of defectives, say  $k$ . Let  $Y$  be the number of defectives in a random sample of size  $n$  drawn from a lot. It is well known that the probability function of  $Y$  given  $k$  is the hypergeometric*

$$p(N, n, k, y) = \frac{\binom{k}{y} \binom{N-k}{n-y}}{\binom{N}{n}}, \quad a \leq y \leq b$$

where  $a = \max [0, n - (N - k)]$ ,  $b = \min [k, n]$  and the unconditional probability function of  $Y$  is the binomial

$$b(y; n, p) = \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}, \quad y=0, 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (1.2)$$

For both single and double sampling we will minimize the average total inspection if  $p = \bar{p}$ , the "process average," subject to the condition that the operating characteristic (OC) of the sampling plan be no more than  $\beta_1$  if the lot contains  $k_1 = Np_1$  defectives. (In the language of Dodge-Romig [1]  $p_1 = p_t = LTPD$ ,  $\beta_1 =$  The Consumer's Risk.)

Binomial cumulative sums will be denoted by

$$E(r; n, p) = \sum_{y=r}^n b(y; n, p) \quad (1.3)$$

For our purposes we find that three tables are useful. The Ordnance Corps [7] table gives (1.3) to seven decimal places for  $n = 1(1)150$ ,  $p = .01(.01).50$ . The Harvard [4] table gives (1.3) to five decimal places for  $n = 1(1)50(2)100(10)200(20)500(50)1000$ ,  $p = .01(.01).50$  (plus a few rational fractions). The Weintraub [8] table gives the same sum to ten decimal places for  $n = 1(1)100$ ,  $p = .0001, .0001(.0001).001(.001).10$ .

In the hypergeometric case we will use the tables of Lieberman and Owen [5] which gives both (1.1) and

$$P(N, n, k, r) = \sum_{y=a}^r p(N, n, k, y) \quad (1.4)$$

to six decimal places for  $N = 1(1)50(10)100$ . In addition two approximations to (1.4) will be used. These are

$$P(N, n, k, r) \cong 1 - E(r+1; n, \frac{k}{N}) \quad (1.5)$$

if  $n/N \leq .10, k \geq n$

$$P(N, n, k, r) \cong 1 - E(r+1; k, \frac{n}{N}) \quad (1.6)$$

if  $k/N \leq .10, k < n$  Even when

neither condition  $n/N \leq .10, k/N \leq .10$  is satisfied the approximation is usually surprisingly good if we use (1.5) when  $k \geq n$ , (1.6) when  $k < n$  (as suggested by Lieberman and Owen). The examples considered later in the paper suggest that the accuracy obtained using the binomial approximation

is sufficient for practical purposes.

If sample sizes are larger than 150, it is usually convenient to use the Poisson approximation to the binomial. Two good tables, which together provide about all the entries that would ever be needed, are the ones prepared by General Electric [2] and Molina [6].

If more accuracy is desired than can be obtained from the approximations (which is unlikely in most applications), then a high speed computer can be used to obtain a solution by following the same procedure demonstrated in the examples.

## 2. THE SINGLE SAMPLE CASE

A sample of size  $n$  is selected at random from a lot of size  $N$ . Let  $X$  be the number of defectives in the sample. If  $x \leq c$  defective items are found in the sample, these items are replaced by non-defectives and the lot is accepted without further inspection. If  $x > c$  the lot is totally inspected and all defective items in the lot are replaced by non-defectives. If the lot contains  $k$  defectives, then the operating characteristic is

$$OC = P(N, n, k, c) \quad (2.1)$$

When  $k = k_1 = Np_1$  we wish to accept the lot with probability at most  $\beta_1$  so that  $n$  and  $c$  must satisfy the inequality

$$P(N, n, k_1, c) \leq \beta_1 \quad (2.2)$$

For a lot containing  $k$  items the expected number of items inspected is

$$J_S = n + (N-n) [1 - P(N, n, k, c)] \quad (2.3)$$

However, if the process average is  $p$ , then  $k$  is a random variable and the number of defective items in a sample of size  $n$  has an unconditional

binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $p$ . In other words  $J_S$  is a conditional expectation, the unconditional expected value being

$$I_S = n + (N-n)E(c+1; n, p) \quad (2.4)$$

Dodge and Romig [1] have minimized (2.4) at

$p = \bar{p}$  subject to (2.2) but if we prefer we could minimize (2.3) at  $\bar{k} = N\bar{p}$  instead.

In general the result would not be too different since the binomial is used to approximate the hypergeometric and thus (2.4) approximates (2.3). The minimum values will be denoted by  $\bar{J}_S$  and  $\bar{I}_S$ .

The minimization is accomplished by trial starting with  $c = 0$  and increasing  $c$  a unit at a time. For each  $c$  the minimum  $n$  satisfying (2.2) is found and  $I_S$  (or  $J_S$ ) is computed. Calculations cease when the minimum is observed. We will demonstrate by examples.

#### Example 2.1

If  $N=50, k_1=12, \beta_1 = .20$  find the plans which minimize  $I_S$  and  $J_S$  when  $p = \bar{p} = .06$ . Find the OC if  $\bar{k} = N\bar{p} = 3$ .

#### Solution

Condition (2.2) becomes  $P(50, n, 12, c) \leq .20$ . With the Lieberman and Owen [5] table we verify that if  $c=0, n \geq 6$ , if  $c=1, n \geq 11$ , if  $c=2, n \geq 16$ , if  $c=3, n \geq 20$ , etc. Obviously we chose the minimum  $n$  in each interval.

Using the Ordnance Corps [7] (or Harvard [4]) and the Lieberman and Owen tables we find if  $c=0, n=6$

$$I_S = 6+44 E(1; 6, .06) = 6+44(.310130) = 19.65$$

$$J_S = 6+44 [1 - P(50, 6, 3, 0)] = 6+44(.324286) = 20.27$$

$$\text{if } c=1, n=11 \quad I_S = 11+39 E(2; 11, .06) = 11+39(.138216) = 16.39$$

$$J_S = 11+39 [1 - P(50, 11, 3, 1)] = 11+39(.117857) = 15.60$$

$$\text{if } c=2, n=16 \quad I_S = 16 + 34 E(3; 16, .06) = 16 + 34(.067280) = 18.29$$

$$J_S = 16 + 34 [1 - P(50, 16, 3, 2)] = 16 + 34(.028571) = 16.97$$

Further calculations are obviously unnecessary and the plan which minimizes both  $I_S$  and  $J_S$  is  $n=11, c=1$  with  $\bar{I}_S = 16.39, \bar{J}_S = 15.60$ .

The OC at  $\bar{k} = 3$  is

$$OC = P(50, 11, 3, 1) = .882143$$

### Example 2.2

If  $N=1000, k_1=100 (p_1=.10), \beta_1=.10$  find

the plan which minimizes the average amount of inspection if  $\bar{p}=.02$ . Find the OC when  $k=\bar{k}=N\bar{p}$ .

### Solution

With  $N=1000$  we are out of the range of the Lieberman-Owen hypergeometric table and we use the approximation

$$OC = P(1000, n, 100, c) \cong 1 - E(c+1; n, .10)$$

(with  $n > 100$  approximation (1.6) is slightly better) so that (2.2) becomes

$$E(c+1; n, .10) \geq .90$$

With the Ordnance Corps [7] table we verify that if  $c = 0, n \geq 22$ , if  $c = 1, n \geq 38$ , if  $c = 2, n \geq 52$ , if  $c = 3, n \geq 65$ , if  $c = 4, n \geq 78$ , if  $c = 5, n \geq 91$ , if  $c = 6, n \geq 104$ , if  $c = 7, n \geq 116$ , etc. Since the value of  $J_S$  would have to be computed by using the binomial approximation we calculate only  $I_S$  which is the approximation for  $J_S$ . We get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } c=0, n=20 \quad I_S &= 20 + 980 E(1; 20, .02) = 20 + 980(.33239) = 345.7 \\ c=1, n=38 \quad I_S &= 38 + 962 E(2; 38, .02) = 38 + 962(.17603) = 207.3 \\ c=2, n=52 \quad I_S &= 52 + 948 E(3; 52, .02) = 52 + 948(.08593) = 133.5 \\ c=3, n=65 \quad I_S &= 65 + 935 E(4; 65, .02) = 65 + 935(.04138) = 103.7 \\ c=4, n=78 \quad I_S &= 78 + 922 E(5; 78, .02) = 78 + 922(.02028) = 96.7 \\ c=5, n=91 \quad I_S &= 91 + 909 E(6; 91, .02) = 91 + 909(.01006) = 100.9 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously further calculations are unnecessary and the desired plan is  $n=78, c=4$ .

Dodge and Romig [1] give  $n=65, c=3$  but their plan is designed to cover intervals on both  $N$  and  $\bar{p}$ .

The OC at  $k=\bar{k}=1000(.02)=20$  is  $OC \cong 1-E(5; 78, .02) = .97972$ .

Hald [3] has derived asymptotic formulas which, together with some auxiliary tables, can be used to obtain sampling plans of the type we have considered. Considerable calculation seems to be required. His paper has one numerical example which we will now work for a comparison of results.

#### Example 2.3

If  $N=280, p_1=.10 (k_1=28), \beta_1=.10$ , find the plan which minimizes the average amount of inspection if  $\bar{p} = .045$ .

#### Solution

We need

$$OC = P(280, n, 28, c) \cong 1-E(c+1; 28, \frac{n}{280}) \leq .10$$

or

$$E(c+1; 28, \frac{n}{280}) \geq .90$$

and

$$I_S = n + (280 - n)E(c+1; n, .045)$$

Without interpolating on  $p$  in the binomial table we find

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } c=0, n/280 \geq .08, n \geq 26, I_S &= 26 + 254(.69794) = 203 \\ c=1, n/280 \geq .14, n \geq 40, I_S &= 40 + 240(.54265) = 170 \\ c=2, n/280 \geq .18, n \geq 51, I_S &= 51 + 229(.40442) = 144 \\ c=3, n/280 \geq .23, n \geq 65, I_S &= 65 + 215(.33554) = 137 \end{aligned}$$

$$c=4, n/280 \geq .27, n \geq 76, I_S = 76 + 204(.25699) = 128$$

$$c=5, n/280 \geq .51, n \geq 87, I_S = 87 + 193(.19784) = 125$$

$$c=6, n/280 \geq .35, n \geq 98, I_S = 98 + 182(.15299) = 126$$

$$c=7, n/280 \geq .39, n \geq 110, I_S = 110 + 170(.1283) = 132$$

where  $E(c+1; n, .045)$  was found from the Weintraub [8] table except for  $n=110$  for which the Poisson approximation was used. Reccomputing the three smallest  $I_S$ 's using linear interpolation in the binomial table yields

$$\text{if } c=4, n/280 \geq .2655, n \geq 75, I_S = 75 + 205(.24845) = 125.9$$

$$c=5, n/280 \geq .3065, n \geq 86, I_S = 86 + 194(.19090) = 123.0$$

$$c=6, n/280 \geq .3460, n \geq 97, I_S = 97 + 183(.14740) = 124.0$$

The plan with minimum  $I_S$  is  $n=86, c=5$  with  $\bar{I}_S = 123.0$ . Hald gives  $n=84, c=5, \bar{I}_S = 119.6$

but his Consumer's Risk is slightly larger than .10 while ours (within the limits of the approximation) has Consumer's Risk slightly less than .10.

The average outgoing quality for the single sample case is

$$AOQ = (1 - \frac{n}{N})p [1 - E(c+1; n, p)] \quad (2.5)$$

The maximum of (2.5) taken over  $p$  is called the average outgoing quality limit (AOQL). Dodge and Romig [1, pp. 37-39] describe a method of approximating AOQL. We observe that AOQL can also be found by trial using Weintraub's [8] table. For Example 2.2 in which  $N=1000, n=78, c=2$

we find

$$\text{if } p=.045 \quad AOQ = .922(.045)(.72575) = .03011$$

$$p=.046 \quad AOQ = .922(.046)(.71065) = .03014$$

$$p=.047 \quad AOQ = .922(.047)(.69538) = .03013$$

so that  $AOQL = .030$ . The Dodge-Romig solution also gives  $AOQL = .030$ , occurring at  $p = .0467$ .



### 3. THE DOUBLE SAMPLE CASE

A sample of size  $n_1$  is selected at random from a lot of size  $N$ . Let  $X_1$  be the number of defective items in the sample. If  $x_1 \leq c_1$  defective items are found in the sample, these items are replaced by non-defectives and the lot is accepted without further inspection. If  $c_1 < x_1 \leq c_2$  a second sample of size  $n_2$  is selected at random from the remaining  $N - n_1$  items and  $X_2$  the number of defective items in the second sample is observed. If  $c_1 < x_1 + x_2 \leq c_2$  the lot is accepted without further inspection but all defective items found in both samples are replaced by good ones. If either  $x_1 > c_2$  or  $c_1 < x_1 \leq c_2$  and  $x_1 + x_2 > c_2$  the lot is totally inspected and all defective items in the lot are replaced by non-defectives. If the lot contains  $k$  defectives, then

$$OC = H(k; N, n_1, n_2, c_1, c_2) \\ = P(N, n_1, k, c_1) + \sum_{j=1}^{c_2 - c_1} p(N, n_1, k, c_1 + j) P(N - n_1, n_2, k - c_1 - j, c_2 - c_1 - j) \quad (3.1)$$

The counterparts of (2.3) and (2.4) are

$$J_D = n_1 + r_2 [1 - P(N, n_1, k, c_1)] + (N - n_1 - n_2) [1 - H(k; N, n_1, n_2, c_1, c_2)] \quad (3.2)$$

and

$$I_D = n_1 + n_2 E(y_1; n_1, p) + (N - n_1 - n_2) K(p; n_1, n_2, y_1, y_2) \quad (3.3)$$

where  $y_1 = c_1 + 1, y_2 = c_2 + 1$  and

$$K(p; n_1, n_2, y_1, y_2) = E(y_2; n_1, p) + \sum_{j=0}^{y_2 - y_1 - 1} b(y_1 + j; n_1, p) E(y_2 - y_1 - j; n_2, p) \quad (3.4)$$

As in the single sample case we will minimize the average amount of inspection at  $\bar{p}$  subject to the condition that

$$OC \leq \beta_1 \quad \text{if} \quad k = k_1$$

or

$$H(k_1; N, n_1, n_2, c_1, c_2) \leq \beta_1 \quad (3.5)$$

The minimum values of (3.2) and (3.3) will be denoted by  $\bar{J}_D$  and  $\bar{I}_D$  respectively. If  $N > 50$  so that it is not practical to use the table of Lieberman and Owen [5], then we will use binomial approximations for hypergeometric sums, power instead of OC, and condition (3.5) is replaced by

$$K(p_1; n_1, n_2, y_1, y_2) \geq 1 - \beta_1 \quad (3.6)$$

where  $p_1 = k_1/N$ . Of course, then we may minimize only  $I_D$  but, as in the single sample case,  $\bar{I}_D$  and  $\bar{J}_D$  and the resulting plans will not be enough different to be of practical importance. We will consider both cases in numerical examples.

Because of condition (3.5) it is necessary for any  $c_1, c_2$  that

$$P(N, n_1, k_1, c_1) \leq \beta_1 \quad (3.7)$$

When the binomial approximation is used (3.7) becomes

$$E(y_1; n_1, p_1) \geq 1 - \beta_1 \quad (3.8)$$

These inequalities provide a lower bound on  $n_1$ , say  $n_1^1$ . Let  $n_0$  be the minimum value of  $n$  which satisfies (2.2) when  $c=c_2$ , that is, the value of  $n$  for the corresponding single sample plan found with  $c=c_2$  (a double sample plan with  $n_1=n_0, n_2=0$ ). Then for each pair  $c_1, c_2$  we consider only sampling plans for which  $n_1^1 \leq n_1 \leq n_0$  (for larger  $n_1$  the value of  $n_2$  is 0 and  $I_D = I_S$  is larger).

Further, given  $n_1, c_1, c_2$  we next consider only the minimum value of  $n_2$ , say  $n_2^1$  which satisfies (3.6), or (3.5), since larger values just increase  $I_D$ . Although intuitively obvious, this is true because

$K(p; n_1, n_2, y_1, y_2) < E(y_1; n_1, p)$ , a result which follows from (3.4) and the fact that

$E(y_2 - y_1 - j; n_2, p) \leq 1$ . Finally, only if  $n_1 < \bar{I}_S$  do we need to consider a plan

since otherwise  $I_D > \bar{I}_S$  and the object of double sampling (to reduce average total inspection) would be defeated. Plans which satisfy the above three conditions, namely

1. For chosen  $c_1, c_2$  we have  $n_1^1 \leq n_1 \leq n_0$ .
2. For chosen  $c_1, c_2$ , and  $n_1^1 \leq n_1 \leq n_0$  we have  $n_2$  a minimum.
3. The value of  $n_1$  is such that  $n_1 < \bar{I}_S$ .

Will be called acceptable plans. Obviously the candidates for a plan which yields  $\bar{I}_D$  can be limited to the class of acceptable plans.

Two facts useful in determining the minimum  $n_2$  for a given  $n_1$  are :

1. We must have  $n_1 + n_2 \geq n_0$ . To see this assume the converse is true, that is there exist  $n_1, n_2$  such that  $n_1 + n_2 < n_0$ . Then the power at  $k=k_1$  is made  $\geq 1-\beta_1$  by taking  $n_1$  observations all of the time and  $n_2$  observations part of the time. The power is not decreased if the second sample is taken with probability 1. But this means that a single sample plan with the given  $c_2$  exists with  $n = n_1 + n_2 < n_0$  contrary to the definition of  $n_0$ .
2. As  $n_1$  increases  $n_1 + n_2$  is non-increasing and has as its minimum value  $n_0$  (attainable at least when  $n_1 = n_0, n_2 = 0$ ). This sum may be considerably greater than  $n_0$  when  $n_1 = n_1^1$  but gets close to  $n_0$  after  $n_1$  has been increased by relatively few units. This is explained by observing that when  $n = n_1^1$ ,  $E(y_1; n_1, p)$ , which is greater than the power, is very nearly  $1-\beta_1$  and to satisfy (5.6) the terms  $E(y_2 - y_1 - j; n_2, p)$  must be large so that  $n_2$  is large. As  $n_1$  increases the difference between power and  $E(y_1; n_1, p)$  grows at a relatively rapid pace permitting the  $E(y_2 - y_1 - j; n_2, p)$  and  $n_2$  to be much smaller.

We now consider the organization of a numerical problem. As a first step we should calculate  $\bar{I}_S$  (or  $\bar{J}_S$ ) since, as we have already mentioned, it is not necessary to consider plans for which  $I_D > \bar{I}_S$ . Then

1. With  $c_1=0$  determine  $n_1^1$  from (3.7) or (3.8).
  - (a) With  $c_2=1$ 
    - (1) Find  $n_0$ .
    - (2) By trial find  $n_2^1$  using the fact that  $n_1 + n_2 \geq n_0$ .
    - (3) With  $n_1^1, n_2^1$  find  $I_D$  (or  $J_D$ ).
  - (b) Repeat (a) with  $c_2=2$ . As a first guess for the new  $n_2^2$  increase the old  $n_2^1$  by the same amount that  $n_1^1$  has increased.
  - (c) Repeat (a) with  $c_2=3$ .
  - etc.

Terminate when it is obvious that  $I_D$  must increase with further increase in  $c_2$ .

2. Repeat Step 1. but with  $n_1^{\dagger}$  replaced by  $n_1^{\dagger} + 1$ .  
Then repeat Step 1 with  $n_1^{\dagger}$  replaced by  $n_1^{\dagger} + 2$  etc., terminating when it is obvious that a minimum has been found for each  $c_2$  which it has been necessary to consider with  $c_1=0$ .
3. Repeat Steps 1 and 2 with  $c_1=1$ , then with  $c_1=2$ , then with  $c_1=3$ , etc., terminating when the  $I_D$  get too large. This happens at worst when  $n_1 > \bar{I}_S$ .
4. By observation select the minimum  $I_D$  (or  $J_D$ ).

Although the procedure outlined in the previous paragraph may require a number of calculations, it goes rather quickly using a de k calculator which has accumulative multiplication. When using the hypergeometric table it is probably advisable to copy down all figures before going to the calculator (because of the format of the table). In the binomial case it is advisable to copy down  $E(y_2; n_1, p)$  and the  $b(y_1+j; n_1, p)$  however, the  $E(y_2-y_1-j; n_2, p)$  may be transferred directly from the binomial table to the calculator and need not be copied. The major advantage of proceeding as suggested in the previous paragraph is that all the previous  $b(y_1+j; n_1, p)$  are used plus one more as  $y_2$  is increased by a unit. We now consider examples.

### Example 3.1

If  $N=50, k_1=12, \beta_1=.20$  find the double sampling plans which minimize  $I_D$  and  $J_D$  when  $p=\bar{p}=.06 (\bar{k}=3)$ .

### Solution

In Example 2.1 we already found that  $\bar{I}_S=16.39, \bar{J}_S=15.60$ . Also we had that if  $c=0, n_0=6$ , if  $c=1, n_0=11$ , if  $c=2, n_0=16$ , if  $c=3, n_0=20$ .

We begin by selecting  $c_1=0$ . Then possible values for  $c_2$  are 1, 2, 3, 4, etc. and the OC is

$$H(k; 50, n_1, n_2, 0, c_2) = P(50, n_1, k, 0) + \sum_{j=1}^{c_2} p(50, n_1, k, j) P(50-n_1, n_2, k-j, c_2-j)$$

Condition (3.7) is  $P(50, n_1, 12, 0) \leq .20$  which requires  $n_1 \geq 6$ .

If  $c_2 = 1$ , then  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 11$ . With  $n_1 = 6$

the OC is

$$H(k; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 1) = P(50, 6, k, 0) + p(50, 6, k, 1) P(44, n_2, k-1, 0)$$

and

$$H(12; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 1) = P(50, 6, 12, 0) + p(50, 6, 12, 1) P(44, n_2, 11, 0)$$

By trial we find

$$H(12; 50, 6, 9, 0, 1) = .194350, H(12; 50, 6, 8, 0, 1) = .203423$$

so that  $n_1 = 6, n_2 = 9, c_1 = 0, c_2 = 1$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$H(3; 50, 6, 9, 0, 1) = P(50, 6, 3, 0) + p(50, 6, 3, 1) P(44, 9, 2, 0)$$

$$= .675714 + (.289592)(.628964) = .857857$$

$$K(.06; 6, 9, 1, 2) = E(2; 6, .06) + b(1; 6, .06) E(1; 9, .06)$$

$$= .04592 + (.26421)(.42701) = .15874$$

and when  $\bar{k} = 3, \bar{p} = .06$

$$J_D = 6 + 9[1 - P(50, 6, 3, 0)] + 35[1 - H(3; 50, 6, 9, 0, 1)]$$

$$= 6 + 9(.324286) + 35(.142143) = 13.90$$

$$I_D = 6 + 9E(1; 6, .06) + 35 K(.06; 6, 9, 1, 2)$$

$$= 6 + 9(.31013) + 35(.15875) = 14.35$$

We next take  $c_2 = 2$  with  $c_1 = 0, n_1 = 6$ . Now  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 16$

and the OC is

$$H(k; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 2) = P(50, 6, k, 0) + p(50, 6, k, 1) P(44, n_2, k-1, 1)$$

$$+ p(50, 6, k, 2) P(44, n_2, k-2, 0)$$

and

$$H(12; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 2) = .173729 + .379046 P(44, n_2, 11, 1)$$

$$+ .306581 P(44, n_2, 10, 0)$$

By trial we find (a good first guess is  $n_2 = 14$ )

$$H(12; 50, 6, 15, 0, 2) = .192763, H(12; 50, 6, 14, 0, 2) = .200929$$

so that  $n_1 = 6, n_2 = 15, c_1 = 0, c_2 = 2$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$H(3; 50, 6, 15, 0, 2) = P(50, 6, 3, 0) + p(50, 6, 3, 1) P(44, 15, 2, 1)$$

$$+ p(50, 6, 3, 2) P(44, 15, 1, 0)$$

$$= .675714 + (.289592)(.889006)$$

$$+ (.257449)(.659091) = .955357$$

$$\begin{aligned}
K(.06; 6, 15, 1, 3) &= E(3; 6, .06) + b(1; 6, .06) E(2; 15, .06) \\
&\quad + b'(2; 6, .06) E(1; 15, .06) \\
&= .00376 + (.26421)(.22624) \\
&\quad + (.04226)(.60471) = .08909
\end{aligned}$$

and when  $\bar{k} = 3, \bar{p} = .06$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_D &= 6 + 15[1 - P(50, 6, 3, 0)] + 29[1 - H(3; 50, 6, 15, 0, 2)] \\
&= 6 + 15(.324286) + 29(.044643) = 12.16
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
I_D &= 6 + 15 E(1; 6, .06) + 29 K(.06; 6, 15, 1, 3) \\
&= 6 + 15(.31013) + 29(.08909) = 13.24
\end{aligned}$$

We next take  $c_2 = 3$  with  $c_1 = 0, n_1 = 6$ . Now  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 20$

and the OC is

$$\begin{aligned}
H(k; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 3) &= P(50, 6, k, 0) + p(50, 6, k, 1) P(44, n_2, k-1, 2) \\
&\quad + p(50, 6, k, 2) P(44, n_2, k-2, 1) \\
&\quad + p(50, 6, k, 3) P(44, n_2, k-3, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
H(12; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 3) &= .173729 + (.379046) P(44, n_2, 11, 2) \\
&\quad + (.306581) P(44, n_2, 10, 1) \\
&\quad + (.116793) P(44, n_2, 9, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

By trial we find (a good first guess is  $n_2 = 19$ )

$$H(12; 50, 6, 19, 0, 3) = .199822, H(12; 50, 6, 18, 0, 3) = .210583$$

so that  $n_1 = 6, n_2 = 19, c_1 = 0, c_2 = 3$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$H(3; 50, 6, 19, 0, 3) = 1 \text{ (obviously)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
K(.06; 6, 19, 1, 4) &= E(4; 6, .06) + b(1; 6, .06) E(3; 19, .06) \\
&\quad + b'(2; 6, .06) E(2; 19, .06) \\
&\quad + b(3; 6, .06) E(1; 19, .06)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= .00018 + (.26421)(.10207) \\
&\quad + (.04226)(.31709) \\
&\quad + (.00358)(.69138) = .04302
\end{aligned}$$

and when  $\bar{k} = 3, \bar{p} = .06$

$$J_D = 6 + 19(.324286) + 25(0) = 12.16$$

$$I_D = 6 + 19(.31031) + 25(.04302) = 12.97$$

We next take  $c_2 = 4$  with  $c_1 = 0, n_1 = 6$ . Now  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 25$   
and the OC is

$$\begin{aligned}
H(k; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 4) &= P(50, 6, k, 0) + p(50, 6, k, 1) P(44, n_2, k-1, 3) \\
&\quad + p(50, 6, k, 2) P(44, n_2, k-2, 2) \\
&\quad + p(50, 6, k, 3) P(44, n_2, k-3, 1) \\
&\quad + p(50, 6, k, 4) P(44, n_2, k-4, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
H(12; 50, 6, n_2, 0, 4) &= .173729 + (.379046) P(44, n_2, 11, 3) \\
&\quad + (.306581) P(44, n_2, 10, 2) \\
&\quad + (.116793) P(44, n_2, 9, 1) \\
&\quad + (.021899) P(44, n_2, 8, 0)
\end{aligned}$$

By trial we find ( a good first guess is  $n_2 = 24$ )

$H(12; 50, 6, 24, 0, 4) = .194144, H(12; 50, 6, 23, 0, 4) = .203719$  so that  $n_1 = 6,$   
 $n_2 = 24, c_1 = 0, c_2 = 4$  is an acceptable plan. There is obviously no point  
in computing  $J_D$  since the last term remains 0 while the second term  
increases thus increasing  $J_D$ .

We find

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(.06; 6, 24, 1, 5) &= E(5; 6, .06) + b(1; 6, .06) E(4; 24, .06) \\
 &\quad + b(2; 6, .06) E(3; 24, .06) \\
 &\quad + b(3; 6, .06) E(2; 24, .06) \\
 &\quad + b(4; 6, .06) E(1; 24, .06) \\
 &= 0 + (.26421)(.03413) \\
 &\quad + (.04226)(.12845) \\
 &\quad + (.00358)(.36176) \\
 &\quad + (.00017)(.72730) = .01586
 \end{aligned}$$

and when  $\bar{p} = .06$

$$I_D = 6 + 24 (.31031) + 20 (.01586) = 13.76$$

Since the last term can decrease at most .3172 an increase of only 2 units in  $n_2$  will more than overcome this figure. Hence there is no point in calculating further  $I_D$  with  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $n_1 = 6$ .

We next repeat all of the above steps with  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $n_2 = 7$ , then with  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $n_2 = 8$ , etc., Continuing until it is obvious that a minimum has been found for each value of  $c_2$  which it is necessary to consider. With  $c_1 = 0$  we get the following  $(n_1, n_2)$  and values of  $J_D$ :

| $c_2 = 1$     | $c_2 = 2$      | $c_2 = 3$      |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| (6, 9), 13.90 | (6, 15), 12.16 | (6, 19), 12.16 |
| (7, 5), 13.98 | (7, 11), 12.14 | (7, 16), 12.93 |
| (8, 4), 14.40 | (8, 9), 12.73  | (8, 14), 13.80 |

For  $I_D$  we get:



| $c_2 = 1$    | $c_2 = 2$     | $c_2 = 3$     | $c_2 = 4$     |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| (6,9), 14.35 | (6,15), 13.24 | (6,19), 12.97 | (6,24), 13.76 |
| (7,5), 14.04 | (7,11), 12.46 | (7,16), 13.63 | (7,20), 14.42 |
| (8,4), 15.16 | (8,9), 13.82  | (8,14), 14.44 | (8,18), 15.40 |

Now we repeat all the preceding steps with  $c_1 = 1$ . This time  $c_2$  can take on the values 2,3,4, etc. We get the following  $(n_1, n_2)$  and values of  $J_D$ :

| $c_2 = 2$     | $c_2 = 3$      |
|---------------|----------------|
| (11,9), 13.07 | (11,14), 12.77 |
| (12,5), 13.62 | (12,10), 13.39 |
| (13,3), 14.39 | (13,8), 14.29  |

For  $I_D$  we get:

| $c_2 = 2$     | $c_2 = 3$      | $c_2 = 4$      |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| (11,9), 14.72 | (11,15), 14.08 | (11,19), 14.04 |
| (12,5), 14.98 | (12,10), 14.49 | (12,15), 14.71 |
| (13,3), 15.70 | (13,8), 15.53  | (13,13), 15.72 |

We need not consider  $c_1 = 3$  since now  $n_1 \geq 16$  and  $\bar{I}_S$  and  $\bar{J}_S$  are obviously exceeded. Hence calculations are terminated.

We observe that the plan  $n_1 = 7, n_2 = 11, c_1 = 0, c_2 = 2$  minimizes both  $I_D$  and  $J_D$  with  $\bar{I}_D = 12.46, \bar{J}_D = 12.14$ .

No comparison with Dodge-Romig [1] is possible since  $\beta_1 = .20$  is not an entry in their table.

We can make a further comparison with the single sample plan. Recall that at  $\bar{k} = 3$  the OC had value .882143. For the double sample plan this is increased to .966785.

Example 3.2

If  $N = 1000$ ,  $k_1 = 100$  ( $p_1 = .10$ ),  $\beta_1 = .10$  find the double sampling plan which minimizes the average amount of inspection of  $\bar{p} = .02$ . Find the OC when  $k = \bar{k} = N\bar{p}$ .

Solution

In example 2.2 we already found that  $\bar{I}_s = 96.7$ . Also we had that if  $c = 0$ ,  $n_0 = 22$ , if  $c = 1$ ,  $n_0 = 38$ , if  $c = 2$ ,  $n_0 = 52$ , if  $c = 3$ ,  $n_0 = 65$ , if  $c = 4$ ,  $n_0 = 78$ , etc. Now we minimize only  $I_D$  (since  $J_D$  would be approximated by  $I_D$ ).

We will omit the calculations and results for  $c_1 = 0$  and  $c_1 = 2$ , demonstrating the procedure with  $c_1 = 1$ , the value which yields  $\bar{I}_D$ . Now  $c_2$  can be 2, 3, 4, etc. Condition (3.8) is  $E(2; n_1, .10) \geq .90$  which requires that  $n_1 \geq 38$ .

If  $c_2 = 2$  (or  $y_2 = 3$ ) we must have  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 52$ . With  $n_1 = 38$  the power is

$$K(p; 38, n_2, 2, 3) = E(3; 38, p) + b(2; 38, p) E(1; n_2, p)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} K(.10; 38, n_2, 2, 3) &= E(3; 38, .10) + b(2; 38, .10) E(1; n_2, .10) \\ &= .74633 + .15837 E(1; n_2, .10) \end{aligned}$$

By trial we find

$$K(.10; 38, 34, 2, 3) = .90030, K(.10; 38, 33, 2, 3) = .89981$$

so that  $n_1 = 38$ ,  $n_2 = 34$ ,  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $c_2 = 2$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$\begin{aligned} K(.02; 38, 34, 2, 3) &= E(3; 38, .02) + b(2; 38, .02) E(1; 34, .02) \\ &= .04015 + (.13588)(.49686) = .10766 \end{aligned}$$

and when  $\bar{p} = .02$

$$\begin{aligned} I_D &= 38 + 34 E(2; 38, .10) + 972 K(.02; 38, 34, 2, 3) \\ &= 38 + 34 (.17603) + 972 (.10766) = 143.89 \end{aligned}$$

We next take  $c_2 = 3$  with  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $n_1 = 38$ . Now  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 65$  and the power is

$$K(p; 38, n_2, 2, 4) = E(4; 38, p) + b(2; 38, p) E(2; n_2, p) \\ + b(3; 38, p) E(1; n_2, p)$$

and

$$K(.10; 38, n_2, 2, 4) = .53516 + (.15837) E(2; n_2, .10) \\ + (.21117) E(1; n_2, .10)$$

By trial we find (we might first guess  $n_2 = 47$ )

$$K(.10; 38, 54, 2, 4) = .90024, K(.10; 38, 53, 2, 4) = .89980$$

so that  $n_1 = 38$ ,  $n_2 = 54$ ,  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $c_2 = 3$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$K(.02; 38, 54, 2, 4) = E(4; 38, .02) + b(2; 38, .02) E(2; 54, .02) \\ + b(3; 38, .02) E(1; 54, .02) \\ = .00687 + (.13588)(.29393) \\ + (.03327)(.66410) = .06890$$

and when  $\bar{p} = .02$

$$I_{\bar{p}} = 38 + 54 E(2; 38, .10) + 908 K(.02; 38, 54, 2, 4) \\ = 38 + 54 (.17603) + 908 (.06890) = 100.07$$

We next take  $c_2 = 4$  with  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $n_1 = 38$ . Now  $n_1 + n_2 \geq 78$  and the power is

$$K(p; 38, n_2, 2, 5) = E(5; 38, p) + b(2; 38, p) E(3; n_2, p) \\ + b(3; 38, p) E(2; n_2, p) \\ + b(4; 38, p) E(1; n_2, p)$$

and

$$K(.10; 38, n_2, 2, 5) = .32986 + (.15837) E(3; n_2, .10) \\ + (.21117) E(2; n_2, .10) \\ + (.20530) E(1; n_2, .10)$$

By trial we find (we might guess  $n_2 = 74$ )

$$K(.10; 38, 72, 2, 5) = .90037, K(.10; 38, 71, 2, 5) = .89999$$

so that  $n_1 = 38, n_2 = 72, c_1 = 1, c_2 = 4$  is an acceptable plan. Then

$$\begin{aligned} K(.02; 38, 72, 2, 5) &= .00093 + (.13588)(.17484) \\ &\quad + (.03327)(.42341) \\ &\quad + (.00594)(.76651) = .04333 \end{aligned}$$

and when  $\bar{p} = .02$

$$I_D = 38 + 72 (.17603) + 890 (.04333) = 93.14$$

Similarly with  $c_2 = 5$  we find

$$I_D = 38 + 88 (.17603) + 874 (.02615) = 76.35$$

with  $c_2 = 6$  we get

$$I_D = 38 + 103 (.17603) + 859 (.01533) = 69.30$$

with  $c_2 = 7$  we get

$$I_D = 38 + 119 (.17603) + 843 (.00922) = 66.72$$

With  $c_2 = 8$  we get

$$I_D = 38 + 133 (.17603) + 829 (.00522) = 65.74$$

It appears that if  $c_2$  is increased to 9 the increase in the second term of  $I_D$  will be roughly the same as the decrease of the third/<sup>term</sup>. Thus, for the moment at least, further calculations with  $n_1 = 38$  seem unnecessary.

Next we repeat all the above steps for  $c_1 = 1$  with  $n_1 = 39$ , then  $n_1 = 40$ , etc., until it is obvious that we have a minimum for each  $c_2$ . The results in Table 1 are obtained. From the table it is observed that  $\bar{I}_D = 62.43$  (given that the minimum does not occur with  $c_1 = 0$  or  $c_1 = 2$ ) and the desired plan is  $n_1 = 40, n_2 = 96, c_1 = 1, c_2 = 7$ . We note that it is unnecessary to consider  $c_1 = 3$  (or greater)

Table 1.

 $(n_1, n_2)$  and  $I_D$  for  $c_1 = 1$ 

| $c_2 = 2$       | $c_2 = 3$       | $c_2 = 4$      | $c_2 = 5$      | $c_2 = 6$       | $c_2 = 7$       | $c_2 = 8$       |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| (38,34), 143.89 | (38,54), 100.07 | (38,72), 93.14 | (38,88), 76.35 | (38,103), 69.30 | (38,119), 66.72 | (38,133), 65.74 |
| (39,24), 134.09 | (39,43), 99.98  | (39,59), 79.86 | (39,75), 69.91 | (39,89), 64.69  | (39,104), 63.24 | (39,119), 63.71 |
| (40,19), 130.02 | (40,37), 95.41  | (40,53), 76.90 | (40,68), 63.71 | (40,82), 63.78  | (40,96), 62.43  | (40,110), 63.17 |
| (41,16), 128.82 | (41,33), 92.64  | (41,49), 75.68 | (41,63), 66.40 | (41,77), 63.11  | (41,92), 62.97  | (41,105), 63.02 |
| (42,14), 129.24 | (42,30), 92.02  | (42,45), 75.61 | (42,60), 66.42 | (42,74), 63.66  | (42,87), 63.12  | (42,101), 64.44 |
| (43,11), 126.75 | (43,28), 92.19  | (43,43), 74.82 | (43,57), 66.81 | (43,71), 64.18  | (43,84), 64.26  | (43,97), 65.33  |
| (44,10), 128.88 | (44,26), 92.27  | (44,40), 74.22 | (44,54), 67.30 | (44,68), 64.64  | (44,81), 64.66  | (44,94), 66.10  |
| (45,8), 128.07  | (45,24), 92.17  | (45,38), 74.55 | (45,52), 67.50 | (45,66), 65.53  | (45,79), 65.59  | (45,92), 67.29  |
| (46,7), 129.82  | (46,22), 91.71  |                |                |                 |                 |                 |
| (47,5), 128.30  | (47,21), 93.01  |                |                |                 |                 |                 |

since the condition  $E(y_1; n_1, .10) \geq .90$  requires  $n_1 \geq 65$  and we have already found a number of plans with  $I_D < 65$ .

The OC at  $\bar{p} = .02$  for the plan which minimizes  $I_D$  has value .99649. Recall that for the single sample plan of Example 2.2 we had .97972.

Dodge and Romig give for the solution to our problem  $n_1 = 28$ ,  $n_2 = 72$ ,  $c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_2 = 5$  for which  $I_D = 70.89$ ,  $K(.10; 28, 72, 1, 6) = .904$ .

The average outgoing <sup>Quality</sup> for the double sample case can be written in various forms but perhaps the one most convenient for use with tables is

$$AOQ = \frac{n_2}{N} p [1 - E(y_1; n_1, p)] + (1 - \frac{n_1 + n_2}{N}) p [1 - K(p; n_1, n_2, y_1, y_2)] \quad (3.9)$$

Again the AOQL, the maximum taken over  $p$ , can be found by trial using the Weintroub [8] table. For the plan found in Example 3.2 which had  $\bar{I}_D = 62.43$  we get

$$\text{if } p = .046 \quad AOQ = (.096)(.046)(.99959) + (.864)(.046)(.76707) = .03490$$

$$p = .047 \quad AOQ = (.096)(.047)(.99953) + (.864)(.047)(.75139) = .03502$$

$$p = .048 \quad AOQ = (.096)(.048)(.99946) + (.864)(.048)(.73338) = .03482$$

so that  $AOQL = .035$ . The AOQL for the corresponding single sample case, found at the end of Section 2, was .030. Intuitively we might expect a larger AOQL for a plan which on the average requires less inspection.

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