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Diagnosis aids in addition to detecting the out-of-control state is an important issue in multivariate multiple linear regression profiles monitoring; because a large number of parameters and profiles in this structure are involved. In this paper, we specifically concentrate on identification of profile(s) and parameter(s) which have changed during the process in multivariate multiple linear regression profiles structure in Phase II. We demonstrate the effectiveness of our proposed approaches through Monte Carlo simulations and a real case study in terms of accuracy percent.

Keywords Diagnosis aids; Hoteling’s $T^2$ statistic; Multivariate multiple linear regression profile; Phase II; Statistical process control.

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1. Introduction

In many practical applications of statistical process control (SPC), the quality of a product or process is characterized by multiple measurements constituting a line or curve that is referred to as a profile. The applications of profile monitoring have been introduced by several authors such as Kang and Albin (2000), Mahmoud and Woodall (2004), Woodall et al. (2004), Wang and Tsung (2005), Montgomery (2005), Woodall (2007), Zou et al. (2007), and Amiri et al. (2010). Different types of linear regression profiles such as simple linear regression, multiple and polynomial regression profiles have been investigated by many authors. Kang and Albin (2000), Kim et al. (2003), Gupta et al. (2006), Zou et al.
Amiri et al. (2007), Zhang et al. (2009), and Saghaei et al. (2009) have studied Phase II monitoring of simple linear profiles. Phase I monitoring of simple linear profiles has also been investigated by researchers such as Mestek et al. (1994), Stover and Brill (1998), Kang and Albin (2000), Mahmoud and Woodall (2004), and Mahmoud et al. (2007). Multiple linear regression and polynomial profiles have been studied by Zou et al. (2007), Mahmoud (2008), and Kazemzadeh et al. (2008, 2009). In some situations, quality of a process or a product can be effectively characterized by two or more multiple linear regression profiles in which response variables are correlated referred to as multivariate multiple linear regression profiles. Noorossana et al. (2010a) and Eyyazian et al. (2011) have studied Phase I and Phase II multivariate multiple linear regression profiles, respectively. Moreover, multivariate simple linear profiles monitoring in Phase II has also been studied by Noorossana et al. (2010b).

In addition, diagnosing the out-of-control parameters is an important issue in multivariate statistical process control to help practitioners to identify the root causes and assignable ones quickly. The diagnosis has a deep literature in the area of multivariate SPC. Alt (1985) suggested the use of Bonferroni limits for this purpose. Hayter and Tsui (1994) extended the idea of Bonferroni-type control limits by giving a procedure for exact simultaneous control intervals for each of the variable means, using simulation. Jackson (1991) discussed the use of an elliptical control region for the process with two quality characteristics. An extension of the elliptical control region as a solution to the interpretation problem is given by Chua and Montgomery (1992). Today the use of $T^2$ decomposition proposed by Mason et al. (1995) is considered as the most valuable. The main idea of this method is to decompose the $T^2$ statistic into independent terms, each of which reflects the contribution of an individual variable. The problem with this method is that the decomposition of the $T^2$ statistic into $p$ independent $T^2$ components is not unique. Thus, Mason et al. (1997) give an appropriate computing scheme that can greatly reduce the computational effort. The methodologies of Murphy (1987), Doganaksoy et al. (1991), and Runger et al. (1996) are special cases of Mason’s et al. (1995) partitioning of $T^2$ statistic. Doganaksoy et al. (1991) classified the components of an observation vector by providing the relative contribution of the signal as a function of the univariate criteria of the Student’s $t$-statistic. Hawkins (1993) and Wade and Woodall (1993) developed a $T^2$ statistic diagnosis technique using the adjusted regression of individual variables to detect the signal. Runger et al. (1996) proposed the use of different metric distances to decide which variables have shifted. Jackson (1991) proposed the use of principal components for monitoring a multivariate process. Since the principal components are uncorrelated, they may provide some insight into the nature of the out-of-control condition and then lead to the examination of particular original observations. Maravelakis et al. (2002) proposed a new method based on principal components analysis and developing theoretical control limits for identification of the out-of-control variable. Niaki and Abbasi (2005) proposed an artificial neural network based model to diagnose faults in out-of-control conditions when Shewhart-type multivariate control charts are used. Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) have proposed a method to identify the quality characteristics responsible for out-of-control signal. For this purpose, they improved the sensitivity of Hoteling’s $T^2$ control chart by defining double warning limits. Zhu and Jiang (2009) suggested an adaptive multivariate $T^2$ control chart which included Hoteling’s $T^2$ chart and the M chart to dynamically integrate pre-test information in multivariate process monitoring.

Diagnosing the out-of-control samples and parameters in the area of profile monitoring have also been considered by some authors. This issue is particularly important in profile monitoring, where the large number of parameters are involved. Zou et al. (2007) discussed the diagnosis of a general linear profile in Phase II to identify the out-of-control parameters. Mahmoud et al. (2007) proposed a segmenting approach of the likelihood ratio statistic
to determine the sources of profile variation in Phase I monitoring of simple linear profile structure. Mahmoud (2008) introduced an approach that can be used to find the out-of-control samples and to determine the source of profile variation based on F-statistic in the analysis of Phase I multiple linear regression profiles. Noorossana et al. (2010a) have developed a diagnostic scheme to find the out-of-control samples based on Wilk’s lambda in Phase I of multivariate multiple linear regression profiles structure.

Although several methods have been developed to monitor multivariate multiple linear regression profiles, to the best of our knowledge, there is no research about diagnosing the parameters and profiles responsible for out-of-control signal in multivariate multiple linear regression profiles monitoring. Hence, it is essential to develop an approach to identify out-of-control signal sources, outlying profiles and parameters. In this paper, we specially focus on diagnosing of outlying profiles and out-of-control parameters in multivariate multiple linear regression profile structure in Phase II. This paper is classified as follows. In Sec. 2 we introduce the model and its assumptions. Diagnosis aids for finding the out-of-control samples and parameters in multivariate multiple linear profiles are developed in Sec. 3. In Sec. 4, the performances of the proposed methods are evaluated by simulation studies in terms of accuracy percent. In order to demonstrate how the proposed methodology works, we provided a real calibration application at Body Shop of an automotive industrial group in Sec. 5. Our concluding remarks are given in the final section.

2. Model and Assumptions

In this section, the multivariate multiple linear regression structure is introduced and corresponding assumptions are expressed.

In multivariate multiple linear regression model, multivariate refers to the dependent variables and multiple pertains to the independent variables. In this case, several Y’s \((y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_p)\) are measured corresponding to each set of X’s \((x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_q)\).

Let us assume that for the \(k\)th random sample collected over time that there are \(n\) observations for independent variables and for each independent one we have set of \(p\) values of response variables. So for \(k\)th sample we have \(n\) observations that they are given as \((x_{1i}, x_{2i}, \ldots, x_{qi}, y_{1i}, y_{2i}, \ldots, y_{pi}), i = 1, 2, \ldots, n, k = 1, 2, \ldots\), where \(p\) is the number of response variables and \(q\) is the number of explanatory variables. When the process is in statistical control, the model which relates the response variables with explanatory variables is a multivariate multiple linear regression and can be given as follows:

\[
Y_k = XB + E_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \ldots \tag{1}
\]

We can express the model in the following form:

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
y_{11k} & y_{12k} & \cdots & y_{1pk} \\
y_{21k} & y_{22k} & \cdots & y_{2pk} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
y_{nk} & y_{nk2} & \cdots & y_{npk}
\end{bmatrix}
= \begin{bmatrix}
1 & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1q} \\
1 & x_{21} & \cdots & x_{2q} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
1 & x_{nk} & \cdots & x_{nq}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\beta_{01} & \beta_{02} & \cdots & \beta_{0p} \\
\beta_{11} & \beta_{12} & \cdots & \beta_{1p} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\beta_{q1} & \beta_{q2} & \cdots & \beta_{qp}
\end{bmatrix}
+ \begin{bmatrix}
\varepsilon_{11k} & \varepsilon_{12k} & \cdots & \varepsilon_{1pk} \\
\varepsilon_{21k} & \varepsilon_{22k} & \cdots & \varepsilon_{2pk} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\varepsilon_{nk} & \varepsilon_{nk2} & \cdots & \varepsilon_{npk}
\end{bmatrix}, \tag{2}
\]
where \( \mathbf{Y}_k = (y_{1k}, y_{2k}, \ldots, y_{pk})^T \) represents a matrix \((n \times p)\) of response variables for \( k \)th sample and \( \mathbf{X} \) is a matrix \((n \times (q + 1))\) of independent variables and \( \mathbf{B} \) is representative of a matrix \(((q + 1) \times p)\) of regression parameters. Under in-control condition, it is assumed that \( \mathbf{E}_k \) is a matrix \((n \times p)\) of error terms and the vector of error terms has a \( p \)-variate normal distribution with mean vector 0 and \( p \times p \) covariance matrix equals to

\[
\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix}
\sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1p} \\
\sigma_{21} & \sigma_{22} & \cdots & \sigma_{2p} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\sigma_{p1} & \sigma_{p2} & \cdots & \sigma_{pp}
\end{bmatrix},
\]

(3)

For the \( k \)th random sample, the ordinary least squares estimator of the matrix \( \mathbf{B} \) is given by Eq. (4). For more information see Rencher (2002),

\[
\hat{\mathbf{B}}_k = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}_k,
\]

(4)

and finally, during this study we assume that the process covariance matrix, \( \Sigma \), is stable over time.

3. Proposed Diagnostic Methods

In this section, two diagnostic methods to identify outlying profile(s) and a method to determine the out-of-control parameter(s) are proposed. Both proposed methods for finding the out-of-control profiles are based on a \( T^2 \) control chart with warning limits proposed by Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) in Phase I monitoring of multivariate process control. The method is extended to Phase II monitoring of multivariate multiple linear regression profiles in our paper. In the first method, the sample mean of observations in each profile is used as a quality characteristic in the extended \( T^2 \)-based method in Phase II. The second method uses the sample mean of residuals in each profile obtained by fitting the multivariate structure on the dataset. In the method proposed for finding the out-of-control parameters, exponentially weighted moving average (EWMA) statistic are used as inputs of the extended \( T^2 \) control chart.

3.1. Diagnosis Methods to Identify Out-of-Control Profiles

Since there is a multivariate structure, the importance of diagnosis of out-of-control profiles is vital. So for this purpose the following methods are proposed:

3.1.1. \( T^2 \) control chart with warning limits based on sample mean of observations. Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) introduced a \( T^2 \) control chart with warning limits for phase I monitoring of multivariate quality characteristics. Note that the warning limits are included to enhance the detection power of the \( T^2 \) control chart. This method; moreover, can be used to diagnose the responsible quality characteristic for the out-of-control condition based on a step-by-step algorithm. To be in lined with our structure, we developed this control methodology to be used with the aim of online monitoring of multivariate multiple linear profiles. The key goal of this paper is designing of a diagnosis strategy to detect the actual changed parameter as soon as a signal is triggered by the control chart. As stated earlier, Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) used a \( T^2 \) control chart with double warning limits. Three run rules are used in this
control chart including one sample out-of-control limit, two sequential samples between the second warning limit and upper control limit, and three sequential samples between the first warning limit and upper control limit. We assume the equal probability of Type I error of $\alpha_1$ for each of these sensitizing rules (see Fig. 1).

If we assume the probability of locating one sample between the $UWL_2$ and $UCL$ equal to $\theta_1$, then we have the following equation:

$$\theta_1^2 = \alpha_1 \Rightarrow \theta_1 = \sqrt{\alpha_1}. \tag{5}$$

To determine the value of $UWL_2$, the relevant probability of Type I error in whole region above $UWL_2$ ($\alpha_2$) should be calculated. Hence, $\alpha_2 = \theta_1 + \alpha_1$. Since the $T^2$ statistic follows a Chi-square distribution in Phase II, $UWL_2$ is the percentile point of Chi-square distribution with $p$ degrees of freedom and the probability of $\alpha_2$. Consequently, we have

$$UWL_2 = \chi^2_{p,\alpha_2}. \tag{6}$$

If we assume the probability of locating one sample between the first warning limit ($UWL_1$) and $UCL$ equal to $\theta_2$, then we have the following equation:

$$\theta_2^2 = \alpha_1 \Rightarrow \theta_2 = \sqrt{\alpha_1}, \tag{7}$$

and to determine the value of $UWL_1$, the relevant probability of Type I error in whole region above $UWL_1$ ($\alpha_3$) should be computed. So, $\alpha_3 = \theta_2 + \alpha_1$ and based on the explanations for $UWL_2$, the value of $UWL_1$ is calculated by Eq. (8).

$$UWL_1 = \chi^2_{p,\alpha_3}. \tag{8}$$

In Eqs. (6) and (8), $p$ is the number of quality characteristics used in $T^2$ Hotelling statistic.

In our first proposed strategy, the $T^2$ chart has been constructed based on the sample mean of observations of each profile. In this method $T^2$ statistic is decomposed into three main terms and paired combinations of quality characteristics are used to diagnose the out-of-control profiles. It is remarkable that, the suggested algorithm of Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) reduces the dimension of problem rather than Mason et al. (1995) method. In this method, the paired combinations of quality characteristics are constituted and then by
The elements of the matrix $\Sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D}$ can be decomposed into three terms as follows:

$$
T_l^2 = \left[ \bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_C} \right] \Sigma_{(\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D)}^{-1} \left[ \bar{y}_{Di} - \mu_{\bar{y}_D} \right],
$$

(9)

where $\bar{y}_{Cl} = [y_{1Cl}, y_{2Cl}, \ldots, y_{nCl}]^T$, $\bar{y}_{Di} = [y_{1Di}, y_{2Di}, \ldots, y_{nDi}]^T$, $\bar{y}_{CL} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{iCl}$, $\bar{y}_{Di} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{iDi}$, $\mu_{\bar{y}_C} = \beta_{0C} + \beta_{1C} \bar{x}_1 + \beta_{2C} \bar{x}_2 + \ldots + \beta_{qC} \bar{x}_q$, $\mu_{\bar{y}_D} = \beta_{0D} + \beta_{1D} \bar{x}_1 + \beta_{2D} \bar{x}_2 + \ldots + \beta_{qD} \bar{x}_q$, $\bar{y}_{CL} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{iq}$, and

$$
\Sigma_{(\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D)} = \begin{bmatrix}
\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2 & \sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D} \\
\sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D} & \sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2 
\end{bmatrix}.
$$

(10)

The elements of the matrix $\Sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D}$ are $\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2 = \sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2 / n$, $\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2 = \sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2 / n$, and $\sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D}$ is computed as follows:

$$
\rho_{C,D} = \frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2} \times \sqrt{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2}} \Rightarrow \rho_{C,D} \left( \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2}{n}} \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2}{n}} \right) = \sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2}{n}} \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2}{n}}}{\rho_{C,D}} \Rightarrow \sigma_{\bar{y}_C,\bar{y}_D},
$$

(11)

where $\rho_{C,D}$ is correlation coefficient between $C$th and $D$th sample mean of observations for $k$th sample, also $\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2$ and $\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2$ are the variances of $C$th and $D$th sample correspondingly.

Equation (9) is extended again in the following way (see Appendix A for proof):

$$
\left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_C}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Di} - \mu_{\bar{y}_D}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_C}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Di} - \mu_{\bar{y}_D}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2} \right) \times \rho_{(C,D)} = T_l^2 \left( 1 - \rho_{(C,D)}^2 \right).
$$

(12)

The first and second terms in the above equation, $\left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_C}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2} \right)^2$ and $\left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Di} - \mu_{\bar{y}_D}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2} \right)^2$ equal to value of the $T^2$ statistic when only $C$th and $D$th profile quality characteristics are used, respectively, and $2 \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_C}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_C}^2} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Di} - \mu_{\bar{y}_D}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_D}^2} \right) \times \rho_{(C,D)}$ represents the reciprocal effects of $C$th and $D$th profile quality characteristics for sample $l$ when both quality characteristics are considered and it is denoted by $T_{C,D}^2$. According to the above equation the $T^2$ statistic can be decomposed into three terms as follows:

$$
T_{C,l}^2 + T_{D,l}^2 + T_{C,D}^2 = T_l^2 \left( 1 - \rho_{(C,D)}^2 \right).
$$

(13)

By decomposing the $T_l^2$ statistic into three terms, the effects of $C$th and $D$th profile quality characteristics and their effects on each other easily can be distinguished leading to diagnosing the out-of-control profiles. As explained in Sec. 1, Hafezi and Shahriari (2009) proposed a diagnosis procedure in Phase I monitoring of multivariate process control.

In the proposed method by Hafezi and Shahriari (2009), following steps are implemented for identification:
Step 1: For each sample calculate $T^2$ statistic by equation $T_k^2 = (\hat{y}_k - \mu_{y_k})\Sigma^{-1}_{yy}(\hat{y}_k - \mu_{y_k})^T$. If there are any out-of-control samples or one of the out-of-control conditions for $T^2$ control chart with warning limits holds, we will go to next step.

Step 2: The value of $T_k^2$ statistic is calculated for each paired combination of quality characteristics by using Eq. (9). Then each part in the left side of Eq. (12) is calculated and by dividing each three terms by the right part of the equation, the percentage of each term in $T_k^2$ for out-of-control sample is estimated.

Step 3: The values of $q_1$ and $q_2$ are calculated by Eq. (14). Simultaneously, the value of $\rho_{\min}$ is set by analyzer. The $\rho_{\min}$ is the minimum value of correlation coefficient between two quality characteristics leading to significant interaction between them.

$$q_1 = UWL_1 = \chi^2_{\alpha/2} \text{ and } q_2 = \frac{2\rho_{\min}}{q_1} \times 100,$$

where $q_1$ and $q_2$ are considered to signify the values of $T_{C,D}^2$ and $T^2$ for analyzing, respectively.

Step 4: After calculating the percentage of $T_{C,D\parallel}^2, T_{C\parallel}^2, T_{D\parallel}^2$ in $T_i^2$ statistic in Step 2 and according to the values of $q_2, q_1, \rho_{\min}, \rho(C,D)$, the following conditions are analyzed:

- If $T_{C,D\parallel}^2 \geq 0$ and
  - If $|\rho(C,D)| < \rho_{\min}, T_{C,D\parallel}^2 > q_2, T_i^2 > q_1$, it is concluded that both quality characteristics have changed and the effect of correlation is not significant.
  - If $|\rho(C,D)| > \rho_{\min}, T_{C,D\parallel}^2 > q_2, T_i^2 > q_1$, both quality characteristics have been changed by the effect of correlation between them. In this case, we can identify which quality characteristic leads to the out-of-control state by comparing $T_{C\parallel}^2$ and $T_{D\parallel}^2$. The one with the larger magnitude represents the actual changed parameter.
  - If $0 \leq T_{C,D\parallel}^2 \leq q_2, T_i^2 > q_1$, one of the quality characteristic with greater $T_i^2$ has changed.

- If $T_{C,D\parallel}^2 < 0$ and
  - If $|\rho(C,D)| < \rho_{\min}, T_{C,D\parallel}^2 < -q_2, T_i^2 > q_1/2$, both quality characteristics have changed. In this case the effect of correlation is not significant.
  - If $|\rho(C,D)| > \rho_{\min}, T_{C,D\parallel}^2 < -q_2, T_i^2 > q_1/2$, both quality characteristics have been changed by the effect of correlation between them.
  - If $-q \leq T_{C,D\parallel}^2 < 0, T_i^2 > q_1$, one of the quality characteristic with greater $T_i^2$ has changed.

- If none of the above-mentioned conditions are satisfied, the paired quality characteristics are not responsible for out-of-control state.

3.1.2. $T^2$ control chart based on the EWMA statistic. In this method, EWMA statistic are computed based on average residuals. Then, the $T^2$ statistic will be formed applying these EWMA statistic. Since there are $p$ dependent profiles, the inputs of the $T^2$ statistic are $p$ EWMA statistic that each of them is computed based on the average of each profile’s residuals.

Since there are $n$ different levels for each independent variable, the residuals of each sample are computed by

$$Y_k - \hat{Y}_k = E_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \ldots,$$ (15)
where $\hat{Y}_k = XB$ is the estimated matrix of observations.

Then, the average of the residuals for each sample is calculated by Eq. (16) as follows:

$$\bar{e}_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} e_{ik},$$  \hspace{1cm} (16)$$

where $e_{ik}$ is the vector of residuals regarding to all $p$ profiles in $k$th sample and $\bar{e}_k$ is the average vector of error terms for $k$th sample.

Finally, the $T^2$ statistic is computed as follows:

$$T^2_{Z_k} = z_k^T \Sigma_\varepsilon^{-1} z_k,$$  \hspace{1cm} (17)$$

where $z_k$ is given by

$$z_k = \omega \bar{e}_k + (1 - \omega) z_{k-1},$$  \hspace{1cm} (18)$$

and the variance covariance matrix ($\Sigma_\varepsilon$) is defined by

$$\Sigma_\varepsilon = \frac{\omega}{2 - \omega} \Sigma_\theta,$$  \hspace{1cm} (19)$$

where $\Sigma_\theta$ is given by the following equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix}
S_{11} & S_{12} & \cdots & S_{1p} \\
S_{21} & S_{22} & \cdots & S_{2p} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
S_{p1} & S_{p2} & \cdots & S_{pp}
\end{bmatrix},$$  \hspace{1cm} (20)$$

$S_{ii}$ is variance of the residuals of $i$th profile which equals to $\sigma_{ii}^2/n$. $S_{ij}$ is covariance between residuals of $i$th and $j$th profiles.

The parameter $\omega$ ($0 < \omega \leq 1$) is the smoothing parameter, $z_k$ is a multivariate normal random vector, and $z_0$ is $p \times 1$ vector of zeros. The upper control limit and also UWL$_1$ and UWL$_2$ for the statistic in Eq. (17) are chosen to achieve a specified in-control ARL.

Now the mentioned steps in Sec. 3.1.1 are repeated except that Eq. (12) is replaced by Eq. (21) (see Appendix B for proof). This equation shows the value of $T^2$ statistic for a pair of profiles in an out-of-control sample ($l$th sample),

$$\left( \frac{Z_{CI}}{S_{CI}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{Z_{DI}}{S_{DI}} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{Z_{CI}}{S_{CI}} \right) \left( \frac{Z_{DI}}{S_{DI}} \right) \times \rho_{(Y_C,Y_D)} = T^2_l \left( \frac{1 - \rho^2_{(Y_C,Y_D)}}{\omega} \right) (2 - \omega),$$  \hspace{1cm} (21)$$

where the first and second terms of left side in the above equation, $(\frac{Z_{CI}}{S_{CI}})^2$ and $(\frac{Z_{DI}}{S_{DI}})^2$ equal to value of $T^2$ when only $C$th and $D$th profile quality characteristics are available, respectively, and $2(\frac{Z_{CI}}{S_{CI}})(\frac{Z_{DI}}{S_{DI}}) \times \rho_{(Y_C,Y_D)}$ represents the reciprocal effects of $C$th and $D$th profile quality characteristics when both characteristics are considered denoted by $T^2_{(C,D)l}$. According to the above equation, the $T^2$ statistic can be decomposed into three terms as follows:

$$T^2_{CI} + T^2_{DI} + T^2_{(C,D)l} = T^2_l \left( \frac{1 - \rho^2_{(Y_C,Y_D)}}{\omega} \right) (2 - \omega),$$  \hspace{1cm} (22)$$
3.2. Diagnosis Methods to Identify Out-of-Control Parameters

Since in practice the multivariate multiple linear regression profiles may involve a huge number of parameters, after finding the outlying profiles, it is critical to diagnose which parameters in profile have shifted.

3.2.1. \( T^2 \) control chart based on the EWMA statistic. This method is similar to the diagnosis method proposed in Sec. 3.1.1 and it is an extension of method proposed by Eyvazian et al. (2011).

At first the matrix \( \hat{\mathbf{B}}_k \) is rewritten as a \((q+1) \times 1\) multivariate normal random vector denoted by \( \hat{\beta}_k \):

\[
(\hat{\beta}_{01k}, \hat{\beta}_{11k}, \ldots, \hat{\beta}_{q1k}, \hat{\beta}_{12k}, \ldots, \hat{\beta}_{q2k}, \ldots, \hat{\beta}_{0pk}, \hat{\beta}_{1pk}, \ldots, \hat{\beta}_{qpk})^T = \hat{\beta}_k. \tag{23}
\]

When the process is in-control, the expected value and covariance matrix for \( \hat{\beta}_k \) is given by

\[
\mathbf{E}(\hat{\beta}_k) = (\beta_{01}, \beta_{11}, \ldots, \beta_{q1}, \beta_{02}, \beta_{12}, \ldots, \beta_{q2}, \ldots, \beta_{0p}, \beta_{1p}, \ldots, \beta_{qp})^T,
\]

where \((\beta_{01}, \beta_{11}, \ldots, \beta_{q1}, \beta_{02}, \beta_{12}, \ldots, \beta_{q2}, \ldots, \beta_{0p}, \beta_{1p}, \ldots, \beta_{qp})^T\) is denoted by \( \beta \). Eyvazian et al. (2011) have shown that \( \Sigma_{hj} \) is a \((q+1) \times (q+1)\) matrix equals to \([X^TX]^{-1}\sigma_{hj}\) where \( \sigma_{hj} \) denotes the \(hj\)th element of the covariance matrix \( \Sigma \) in Eq. (3).

To identify out-of-control parameters, the following proposed statistic is used. For \(i\)th and \(j\)th parameters, \(z_{li}\) and \(z_{lj}\) are defined as follows:

\[
\begin{align*}
  z_{li} &= \omega(\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i) + (1 - \omega)z_{li-1} \\
  z_{lj} &= \omega(\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j) + (1 - \omega)z_{lj-1}.
\end{align*}
\tag{26}
\]

So the \( T^2 \) statistic is computed by Eq. (27) as follows:

\[
T_i^2 = \left[ \frac{z_{li} - \mu_{zi}}{\sigma_{zi}} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{z_{lj} - \mu_{zj}}{\sigma_{zj}} \right]^2 = \left[ \frac{z_{li} - \mu_{zi}}{\sigma_{zi}} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{z_{lj} - \mu_{zj}}{\sigma_{zj}} \right]^2,
\tag{27}
\]

where

\[
\Sigma_{zi(i,j)} = \frac{\lambda}{2 - \lambda} \Sigma_{zi(i,j)}.
\tag{28}
\]

Hence,

\[
\left( \frac{Z_{li}}{S_{li}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{Z_{lj}}{S_{lj}} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{Z_{li}}{S_{li}} \right) \left( \frac{Z_{lj}}{S_{lj}} \right) \rho_{(i,j)} = T_i^2 \left( \frac{1 - \rho_{(i,j)}^2}{\omega} \right) (2 - \omega),
\tag{29}
\]

(the proof is given in Appendix B)

where

\[
\rho_{(i,j)} = \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{ii} \sigma_{jj}}},
\tag{30}
\]
and $\sigma_{ij}$ denotes the elements of $\Sigma_{hj}$ matrix.

This method is repeated $\binom{p(q + 1)}{2}$ times to diagnose the out-of-control parameters.

4. Performance Analysis

In this section, the performances of the proposed methods are evaluated by simulation studies in terms of accuracy percent criteria. It means that we are computing the number of iterations in which the algorithm finds out-of-control characteristics correctly in simulation runs when an out-of-control situation occurs. For this purpose, we set the probability of each run rules equal to 0.0017. Without loss of generality, in all the EWMA statistic, the value of smoothing constant, $\omega$, is set to 0.2 as generally used in the literature. Our simulation studies have been performed using 20,000 replications. The underlying multivariate profile model considered in this paper is

$$
y_1 = 3 + 2x_1 + x_2 + \varepsilon_1, \\
y_2 = 2 + x_1 + x_2 + \varepsilon_2.
$$

The pair of observations $(2,1), (4,2), (6,3), (8,2)$ are considered as the values for independent variables $x_1$ and $x_2$. The vector of error terms $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$ follows a bivariate normal random variable with mean vector zero and known covariance matrix,

$$
\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix}
\sigma_1^2 & \rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \\
\rho \sigma_1 \sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2
\end{bmatrix},
$$

where $\sigma_1^2 = 1$ and $\sigma_2^2 = 1$. To investigate the effect of correlation between profiles, different values of $\rho$, namely, $\rho = 0.1, 0.5, \text{and } 0.9$ are used in our simulation studies for individual shifts and also the minimum value of correlation coefficient between two quality characteristics, $\rho_{\min}$ is set equal to 0.1, 0.55, and 0.9. For simultaneous shifts, the correlation between response variables is set equal to 0.5.

4.1. Investigation of Simulation Results for Out-of-Control Profile Identification

To investigate the results of diagnosis methods for out-of-control profiles the following parameters are set:

$$
\theta_2^3 = 0.0017 \rightarrow \theta_2 = 0.1193, \\
\alpha_{UWL_i} = \alpha_3 = 0.0017 + 0.1193 = 0.121.
$$

So, the value of $UWL_1$ is calculated based on Eq. (13) as follows:

$$
UWL_1 = \chi^2_{p, \alpha_3} = \chi^2_{2, 0.121} = 4.2231.
$$

$UWL_2$ based on Eq. (11) and $UCL$ are calculated by

$$
\theta_1^2 = 0.0017 \rightarrow \theta_1 = 0.04123, \\
\alpha_{UWL_2} = \alpha_2 = 0.0017 + 0.04123 = 0.04293, \\
UWL_2 = \chi^2_{p, \alpha_2} = \chi^2_{2, 0.04293} = 6.2963, \\
UCL = \chi^2_{p, \alpha_1} = \chi^2_{2, 0.0017} = 12.7543.
$$
4.1.1. $T^2$ control chart with warning limits. Let us set

$$
\begin{align*}
\bar{y}_1 &= \beta_{01} + \beta_{11}\bar{x}_1 + \beta_{21}\bar{x}_2 + \varepsilon_1, \\
\bar{y}_2 &= \beta_{02} + \beta_{12}\bar{x}_1 + \beta_{22}\bar{x}_2 + \varepsilon_2,
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{align*}
\mu_{\bar{y}_1} &= E[\bar{y}_1] = \beta_{01} + \beta_{11}\bar{x}_1 + \beta_{21}\bar{x}_2, \\
\mu_{\bar{y}_2} &= E[\bar{y}_2] = \beta_{02} + \beta_{12}\bar{x}_1 + \beta_{22}\bar{x}_2.
\end{align*}
$$

The results of the simulation studies to diagnose the outlying profiles based on the example described former are given in Table 1. The simulations are done under different correlation coefficients. The values in Table 1 show the accuracy percent of the first proposed method to diagnose the outlying profiles under different situations.

Table 1 shows that in individual shifts when the values of $\rho$ and $\rho_{\min}$ are close together the performance of the proposed method is worse than the other conditions in which this difference ($\rho$ and $\rho_{\min}$) becomes lager. So the effect of $\rho_{\min}$ depends on the value of $\rho$. Moreover, the results show that when there is much difference between the values of $\rho$ and $\rho_{\min}$, the performance in smaller value of $\rho$ is better. Finally, as the magnitude of shift increases, in all situations, the accuracy percent improves.

As shown in Table 2, increasing the magnitude of the shift improves the performance of the method. Moreover, by comparison of results in Tables 1 and 2, it can be concluded that the performance of the proposed method under simultaneous shifts is better than the individual shifts when $\rho_{\min} = 0.55$.

4.1.2. $T^2$ control chart based on the EWMA statistic. Table 3 shows that in individual shifts, if the difference between values of $\rho$ and $\rho_{\min}$ becomes larger, the performance of this method improves. In addition, the performance of the method under smaller $\rho$ is better.

![Comparison of Profile diagnosis methods in intercept shifts](image)

**Figure 2.** Comparison of proposed methods for identification of out-of-control profiles in individual intercept shifts ($\rho_{\min} = 0.55$).
Table 1
The results (accuracy percent) of individual shifts in the intercept (a) and the slope (b) of the first profile

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(a) Intercept shifts from \( \beta_0 \) to \( \beta_0 + \lambda \sigma \) in the first profile

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(b) Slope shifts from \( \beta_1 \) to \( \beta_1 + \beta \sigma \) in the first profile
Table 2

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According to Table 3, the performance of proposed method in case of $\rho = 0.1$ and $\rho_{\text{min}} = 0.9$ is better than the other cases.

It is obvious that this method is powerful in simultaneous shifts when $\rho_{\text{min}} = 0.55$ and from medium shifts the accuracy percent equals to 100%. Tables 3 and 4 show that the sensitivity of $T^2$ control chart, especially in small shifts when $\rho_{\text{min}} = 0.55$, has been improved rather than the first method for diagnosing outlying profiles.

As shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the performance of the second method based on residual approach in diagnosis of out-of-control profile is more powerful than the first one in individual shifts of the intercept and the slope in one profile. Moreover, the performance of second one in diagnosis of out-of-control profile in intercept shifts is better than its performance in slope shifts. Also when the difference between $\rho$ and $\rho_{\text{min}}$ increases, the performance of both methods in medium and large shifts becomes better and in this situation the smaller $\rho$ leads to better performance. Finally, in simultaneous shifts, Fig. 4 obviously shows that the second diagnosis method performs better than the first one.

4.2. Investigation of Simulation Results for Out-of-Control Parameters Identification

In this simulation study there are two profiles each containing two independent variables, so there are 6 parameters. The value of $UCL$ equals to

$$UCL = 18.547.$$
Table 3
The results (accuracy percent) of individual shifts in the intercept (a) and the slope (b) of the first profile

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(a) Intercept shifts from $\beta_0$ to $\beta_0 + \lambda \sigma$ in the first profile

| 0.025     | 75.65%       | 54.02%       | 23.35%       | 74.73%       | 36.89%       | 70.89%       | 35.14%       | 80.68%       | 70.11%       |
| 0.05      | 91.99%       | 71.23%       | 33.19%       | 91.28%       | 47.17%       | 79.38%       | 36.20%       | 90.44%       | 81.83%       |
| 0.075     | 97.33%       | 80.65%       | 46.57%       | 97.02%       | 54.74%       | 87.31%       | 49.65%       | 95.25%       | 87.65%       |
| 0.1       | 99.03%       | 87.03%       | 57.48%       | 98.83%       | 65.14%       | 93.57%       | 59.54%       | 97.48%       | 93.79%       |
| 0.125     | 99.67%       | 90.85%       | 67.54%       | 99.61%       | 71.61%       | 97.10%       | 66.85%       | 98.65%       | 98.11%       |
| 0.15      | 99.95%       | 94.97%       | 75.74%       | 99.89%       | 79.38%       | 98.95%       | 73.62%       | 99.50%       | 98.70%       |
| 0.175     | 99.99%       | 97.26%       | 82.28%       | 99.98%       | 84.97%       | 99.55%       | 80.60%       | 99.82%       | 99.68%       |
| 0.2       | 100%         | 98.86%       | 86.08%       | 100%         | 89.60%       | 99.92%       | 86.40%       | 99.99%       | 99.89%       |
| 0.225     | 100%         | 99.32%       | 90.09%       | 100%         | 92.82%       | 99.99%       | 89.35%       | 100%         | 99.96%       |
| 0.25      | 100%         | 100%         | 93%          | 100%         | 95%          | 100%         | 93.55%       | 100%         | 100%         |

(b) Slope shifts from $\beta_1$ to $\beta_1 + \beta \sigma$ in the first profile
Table 4
The results (accuracy percent) of simultaneous shifts in intercepts of both profiles

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It is important to be mentioned that the value of \( q_1 \) in all methods are equal to the value of \( UWL_1 \) when two quality characteristics are considered.

4.2.1. \( T^2 \) control chart based on the EWMA statistic. Following tables are the results of simulation studies for \( T^2 \) control chart based on EWMA statistic under different values of \( \rho \) and \( \rho_{\text{min}} \).

According to Tables 5 and 6, the performance of proposed method when \( \rho_{\text{min}} = 0.1 \) is better than the other values of \( \rho_{\text{min}} \) especially in medium and large shifts and also whenever the value of \( \rho_{\text{min}} \) and \( \rho \) are far from each other the results will be better.

The results of simultaneous shifts are also shown in Table 7. It shows that the performance of proposed method when \( \rho_{\text{min}} = 0.1 \) is better than the other value of \( \rho_{\text{min}} \).

According to Tables 5, 6, and 7 and Fig. 5, the performance of the method in individual shifts is better than simultaneous ones for diagnosing the out-of-control parameters.

As shown in Figs. 6 and 7 and Tables 5 and 6, the performance of proposed method improves in medium and large shifts by increasing the value of \( \rho \).

If the practitioners are interested in indentifying the true out-of-control parameter (profile) in the single-shift case and there are only two quality characteristics, \( \rho_{\text{min}} \) should be selected far from the correlation coefficient \( \rho \). The problem arises when there are more than two quality characteristics. In this case, we have more than one \( \rho \) thus the selection

![Comparison of Profile diagnosis methods in simultaneous shifts](comparison_of_PROFILE_diagnosis_methods_in_simultaneous_shifts.png)

**Figure 4.** Comparison of proposed methods for identification of out-of-control profiles in simultaneous shifts (\( \rho_{\text{min}} = 0.55 \)).
Table 5
The results (accuracy percent) of individual shifts of intercept in the first profile

Intercept shifts from $\beta_{01}$ to $\beta_{01} + \lambda \sigma$ in the first profile

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The results (accuracy percent) of individual shifts of intercept in the second profile

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Table 7

The results of simultaneous shifts of intercept in the both profiles under value of $\rho = 0.5$

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Figure 5. Performance comparison of proposed method for identification of out-of-control parameters in individual and simultaneous shifts.

Figure 6. Comparison of proposed method for identification of out-of-control parameters in individual shifts of intercept in the first profile under different values of $\rho$. 

**Comparison of type of shifts**

**Comparison of Parameters diagnosis method**
Comparison of Parameters diagnosis method

Figure 7. Comparison of proposed method for identification of out-of-control parameters in individual shifts of intercept in the second profile under different values of $\rho$.

of $\rho_{\text{min}}$ is not straightforward. If the magnitudes of all correlation coefficients are close to each other, it is possible to set $\rho_{\text{min}}$ far from these values. Otherwise, we suggest applying different amounts of $\rho_{\text{min}}$ and see how the method works.

When we have simultaneous shifts in the parameters, we suggest choosing $\rho_{\text{min}}$ close enough to $\rho$. In this case, the performance of the proposed method will definitely improve.

5. A Real Case Study

In this section, we illustrate how the proposed methods can be applied to the calibration case at Body Shop of an automotive industrial group discussed by Noorossana et al. (2010b). They studied Phase II monitoring of multivariate simple linear profiles to investigate calibration between desired force and the real force produced by a 1600-ton hydraulic press machine. An important input value in this press machine is the nominal force that should be exerted by cylinders on the metal plates to give the desired parts. Therefore, for each value of nominal force (explanatory variable) there are four real forces (response variables) collected from four cylinders of the press and measured by PLC.

The underlying model is

\[
\begin{align*}
y_1 &= -8.5 + 0.87x + \varepsilon_1 \\
y_2 &= -5.8 + 0.95x + \varepsilon_2 \\
y_3 &= 3.2 + 1.04x + \varepsilon_3 \\
y_4 &= 13.6 + 1.09x + \varepsilon_4,
\end{align*}
\]
Table 8

The percent of true diagnosis under the individual shifts of intercept in the first profile

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<td>96.42%</td>
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<td>99.48%</td>
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where $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \varepsilon_4)$ is a multivariate random vector with mean vector zero and covariance matrix of

$$
\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix}
80 & 89.6 & 45.1 & 25.3 \\
89.6 & 122.1 & 71.5 & 29.1 \\
45.1 & 71.5 & 189 & -28.8 \\
25.3 & 29.1 & -28.8 & 84.4
\end{bmatrix}.
$$

Each sample consists of 11 values for nominal force as 50, 80, 110, 140, 170, 200, 230, 260, 290, 320, and 350 and there are four real force values $(y_i)$ for each nominal force value.

To apply the proposed methods for identifying out-of-control profile(s), $UCL$ is calculated by

$$
UCL = 14.8603.
$$

The out-of-control state has been simulated by shifting the intercept parameter of the first profile. Table 8 shows the percent of true diagnosis by the proposed method with regard to the possible range of intercept shifts. It is notable that $\rho_{\text{min}}$ is set equal to 0.1 for this example.

6. Conclusions

In this paper, we proposed three methods to diagnose out-of-control profiles and parameters in multivariate multiple linear regression profiles in Phase II. Two approaches were introduced to identify the out-of-control profiles. The first one was a method based on $T^2$ control chart with warning limits and the second one was combined residual approach and $T^2$ control chart with warning limits method. Our simulation studies showed that the second one is better than the first one under both individual and simultaneous shifts in the regression parameters. To identify out-of-control parameters the $T^2$ control chart with warning limits based on EWMA statistic method was introduced. Simulation studies showed the perfect performance of the proposed method in identifying the out-of-control parameters under both individual and simultaneous shifts. In addition, through simulation studies, we showed that the performance of proposed methods in both diagnosing out-of-control profiles and parameters is affected by values of $\rho$ and $\rho_{\text{min}}$. Moreover, a general guideline regarding the value of $\rho_{\text{min}}$ is provided.

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Appendix A: $T^2$ Control Chart with Warning Limit to Diagnose the Out-of-Control Profiles

Assume that the $C$th and $D$th profiles for out-of-control sample ($l$th sample) are selected. The value of $T^2$ statistic for this pair of profiles is as follows:

$$ T_l^2 = \left[ \tilde{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_C} \right] \left[ \tilde{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_D} \right] \Sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D}^{-1} \left[ \tilde{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_C} \right] \left[ \tilde{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_D} \right], \quad (A1) $$

where

$$ \Sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_C}^2 & \sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D} \\ \sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D} & \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D}^2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (A2) $$

The correlation coefficient between $C$th and $D$th average of profiles is set to $\rho_{C,D}$ which equals to

$$ \rho_{C,D} = \frac{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C}^2}{n} \times \frac{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_D}^2}{n}}} \Rightarrow \rho_{C,D} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D}^2}{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C}^2 \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D}^2}} = \frac{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D}}{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D}}. \quad (A3) $$

Now by expanding Eq. (A1):

$$ T_l^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\tilde{y}_C}^2 \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D}^2 (1 - \rho_{(C,D)}^2)} \left[ (\tilde{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_C})^2 - \rho_{(\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D)} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_C} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D} (\tilde{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_D}) \right] \left[ (\tilde{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_D})^2 - \rho_{(\tilde{y}_C,\tilde{y}_D)} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_C} \sigma_{\tilde{y}_D} (\tilde{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_C}) \right] \left[ \tilde{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_C} \right] \left[ \tilde{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\tilde{y}_D} \right]. \quad (A4) $$
Hence,
\[
\left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{C}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)}} + \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{D}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)}} - 2 \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{C}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}} \right) \times \frac{\rho_{(C,D)} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}}{(1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)}) \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}} = T^2_{l}. \tag{A5}
\]

Finally,
\[
\left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{C}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{D}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Cl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{C}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{y}_{Dl} - \mu_{\bar{y}_{D}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}} \right) \times \rho_{(C,D)} = T^2_{l} \left( 1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)} \right). \tag{A6}
\]

Appendix B: $T^2$ Control Chart Based on the EWMA Statistic to Diagnose the Out-of-Control Profiles

Assume that the $C$th and $D$th profiles are selected. Then the average of each residual of profile is computed. So, the value of $T^2$ statistic for this pair in $l$th out-of-control sample is as follows:

\[
T^2_{l} = \left[ z_{Cl} - \mu_{z_{C}} \quad z_{Dl} - \mu_{z_{D}} \right] \Sigma_{(\bar{z}_{C,z_{D}})}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} z_{Cl} - \mu_{z_{C}} \\ z_{Dl} - \mu_{z_{D}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mu_{z_{C}} = \mu_{z_{D}} = 0, \quad \tag{B1}
\]

The variance covariance matrix equals to $\Sigma_{(\bar{z}_{C,z_{D}})} = \frac{\omega}{\sum_{(\bar{r}_{C,z_{D}})}} \Sigma_{(\bar{r}_{C,z_{D}})}$. And the correlation coefficient between $C$th and $D$th profiles is set to $\rho_{C,D}$ where equals to

\[
\rho_{C,D} = \frac{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C},\bar{y}_{D}}}{\sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}} \times \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}}, \tag{B2}
\]

\[
T^2_{l} = \frac{\omega}{ \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}^2 \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}^2 \left( 1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)} \right) (2 - \omega) } \left[ (z_{Cl})^2 \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}}^2 - \rho_{(C,D)} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}} (z_{Dl}) \right]
\times \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}}^2 (z_{Dl})^2 - (z_{Cl})^2 \rho_{(C,D)} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{C}} \sigma_{\bar{y}_{D}} \begin{bmatrix} z_{Cl} \\ z_{Dl} \end{bmatrix}^T. \tag{B3}
\]

By simplifying Eq. (B3), the $T^2$ statistic is given as follows:

\[
\left( \frac{Z_{Cl}}{S_{Cl}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{Z_{Dl}}{S_{Dl}} \right)^2 - 2 \left( \frac{Z_{Cl}}{S_{Cl}} \right) \left( \frac{Z_{Dl}}{S_{Dl}} \right) \times \rho_{(C,D)} = T^2_{l} \left( 1 - \rho^2_{(C,D)} \right) (2 - \omega), \tag{B4}
\]

where $S_{ii}$ is variance of the residuals of $i$th profile which equals to $\sigma_{ii}/n$. 