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statistical process control (SPC) —**

**Part 3:  
Reference data sets for SPC software  
validation**

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## Introduction

The test examples given in this document were developed for the assessment of statistical process control (SPC) systems. They allow SPC software developers to evaluate their systems. Thus, the end user of those systems can be sure that the data sets are evaluated correctly with a high level of reliability. In order to cover the widest possible spectrum, suitable data sets were prepared individually for various constellations. The evaluation results of those data sets are documented and commented on the following pages.

The results were verified multiple times using different computer programs. This turns the data sets and the results into references for validation of the software. The data sets are listed in Annex A. An electronic version is available at <https://standards.iso.org/iso/tr/11462/-3/ed-1/en/>.



# Guidelines for implementation of statistical process control (SPC) —

## Part 3: Reference data sets for SPC software validation

### 1 Scope

This document describes examples for software validation for SPC software implementing the standards of the ISO 7870 series on control charts and the ISO 22514 series on capability and performance. In detail ISO 7870-2, ISO 22514-2 and ISO 22514-8 are covered.

It provides data sets and test results for testing the implementation of the evaluation methods described in these standards. This includes the detection of out of control situations as well as the calculation of sample statistics and process capability indices.

The test examples cover the following situations:

- a) General:
  - different sample and subgroup sizes, accuracy of calculation for large/small numbers;
- b) ISO 22514 series:
  - calculation of sample statistics for location and dispersion;
  - different distribution models;
- c) ISO 7870-2:
  - calculation of control limits;
  - visualization of data (histogram, control charts);
  - detection of out of control situations.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms and definitions, and symbols and abbreviated terms

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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