Custom measurement system design and qualification, a case study

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Learning objectives

- How we addressed a seemingly impossible measurement challenge
- Our sequential, statistical approach
- Tricks of the DOE and MSA trade

Presentation framework

- Risk, background
- DOE for fixture design*
- V-FMEA & MSA for test method*

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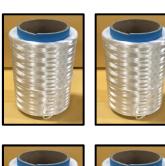
Risk, in context

The ships need to stay attached...



Risk guided our decisions

The process of interest













HMPE Fibers

Twister

Twisted yarn

And a few more steps to make rope...

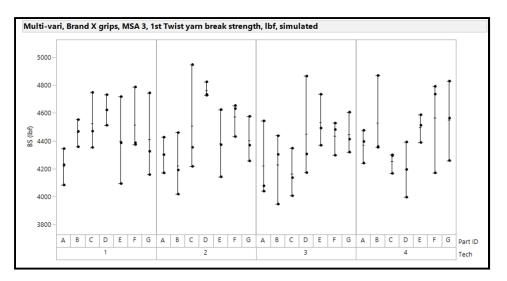
However...

- HMPE is slippery
- Multi-ton break strength (!)
- Twisted in 2 directions (S, Z)
- Destructive test ⊗⊗⊗



Now the real bad news...

Off-the-shelf grips useful for PET or small HMPE only





So now what do we do???

Work sequence

Prepare	Collect the facts
Model cause & effect	Iterative DOE to optimize grips
Look for trouble	V-PFMEA and iterative MSA to optimize process

Where to start?

The wisdom of colleagues

- Lab Technicians
- Operators
- Maintenance staff
- Engineers



This step pays big dividends

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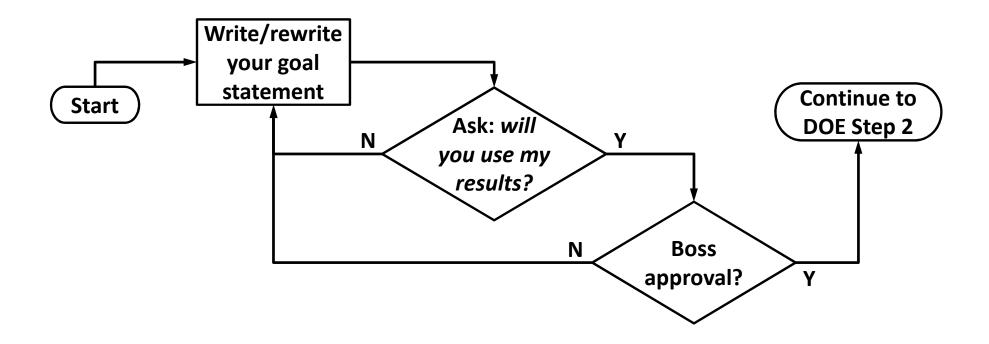
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DOE Step 1: Clear goal statement

Develop break strength measurement fixtures for twisted yarn type X, Y and Z, with a 90% chance to detect desired differences with sample sizes ≤ 5 when tested per SRT-100.

Begin with the end in mind

Trick-of-the-DOE-trade



DOE Step 2: Choose Strategy

Strategy	Essentials
Comprehensive	Response Surface Model,
(I-optimal)	but more work
Reserved	Conserves resources but
(Factorial)	main effects, interactions only
Screening	Separates vital few from trivial many,
(DSD)	but limitations for categorical & mixtures

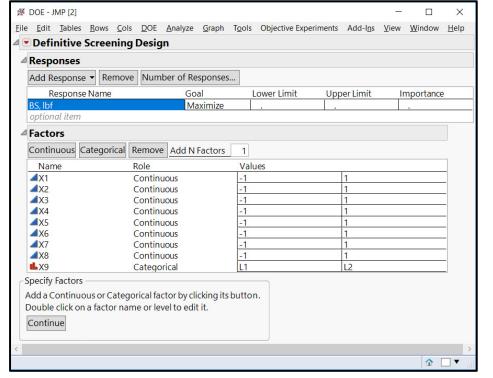
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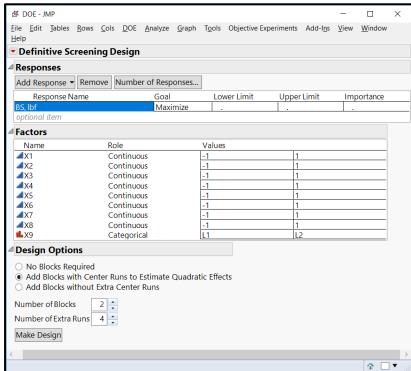
9 factors to study, Definitive Screening needed

Capstan diameter	X_6
Surface COF	X ₇
X_3	X ₈
X_4	X ₉
X_5	

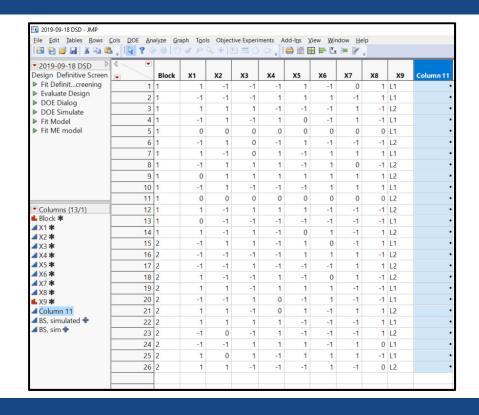


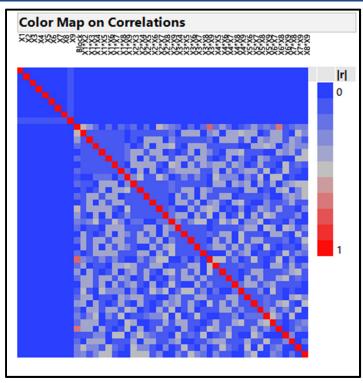
DOE Step 3A: Create a Plan





DOE Step 3B: Check the plan



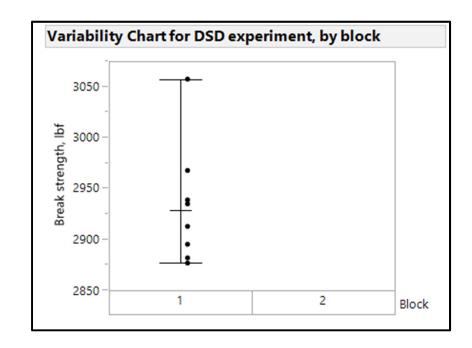


Tricks of the data collection trade

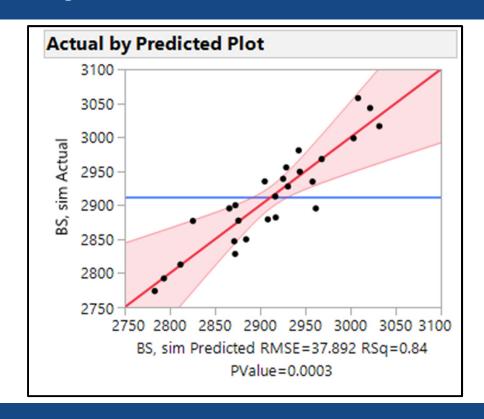
- Do the work yourself, where practical
- Always do at least one practice run

Tricks of the data collection trade

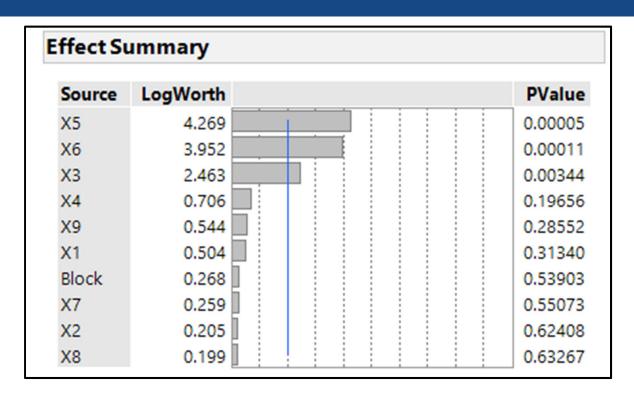
- Beware arbitrary deadlines
- Manage the Managers with JMP graphics



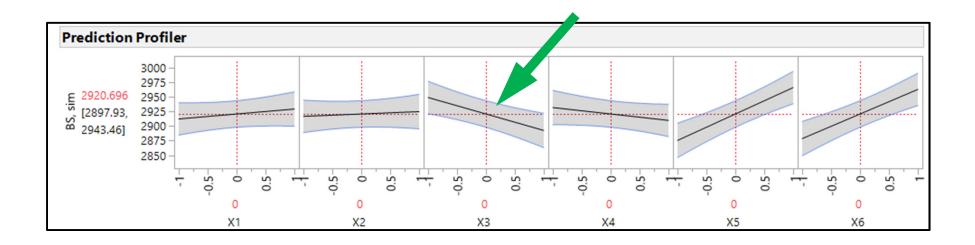
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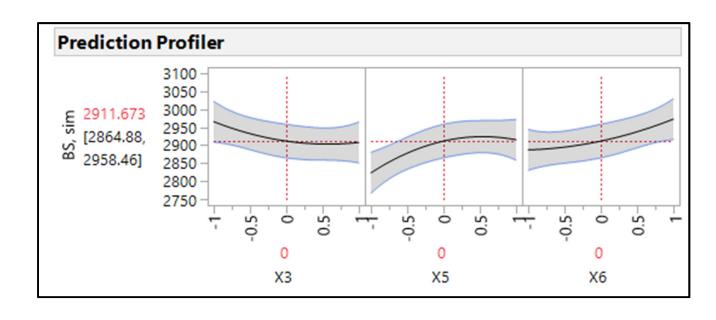


DOE Step 4A: a similar view



DOE Step 4B: augment & reduce

Grip design guidance

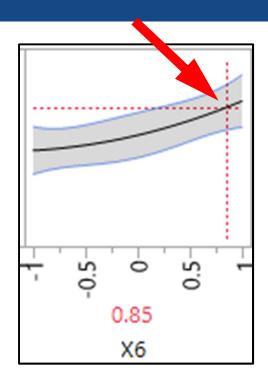


DOE Step 5: acknowledge others

- Give a loud, clear shout-out to those that helped you along the way
- Skip this step at your own peril...

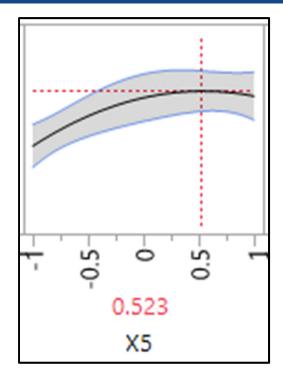
Trick of the DOE trade

- Be careful asking statware to optimize
- Instead, consider safety, practicality
 & cost and choose a "balanced sweet spot" away from the edge
- Only the paranoid survive (Andy Grove)



Trick of the DOE trade

Take full advantage of friendly response curves...



DOE results

Because of the risk, we followed up the DSD with two I-optimal designs with X_3 , X_5 and X_6 and a new factor, X_{10} . Then, we had our grip design.

DOE results

But, would the grips give us good data day in, day out?

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Visual FMEA

- What could go wrong?
- What can we do about it?

Visual·PFMEA·worksheet



Process-step	T-300·twisters
Process-sub-step	Creel-rack-payoff
Location	Multiple·machines·in·both·Lafayette· and·Ferndale
Date-of-issue	December 6, 2016
Written-by	Huynh,·Khong,·Czupryna

Present·state, calculate·SOD·based·on·1-5·scale·from·Q-SOP-01

POTENTIAL FAILURE	POTENTIAL : EFFECT : & - CAUSE	SEV	occ	DET	SOD
Bad-winding-from-supplier	Poor-payoff-leading-to-breakage	2	2	1	221
Wrong·fiber·selected·by·	Unacceptable rope performance due	4	2	3	423
operator	to-fiber-properties				
Pin-hardware-loosens	Fiber·bobbin·falls·and·breaks·fiber	2	1	1	211
Piggyback-not-tied-together	Ply-quantity-reduced-by-1	3	3	2	332
Cardboard·tube·damaged	Bobbin-off-center	1	2	1	121
Frame-hardware-loosens	Fiber-bobbins-fall-and-break-fiber	3	1	1	311
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Action·taken,·if·SOD>400,·new·SOD·score

ID	CURRENT-CONTROLS	ACTION-TAKEN	RISK-ABATEMENT	SEV	осс	DET	SOD
2	Systematic-pallet-	Floors-marked-with-	Operator · clarity	2	2	3	223
	placement, operator- knowledge of- cardboard tube colors	fiber-type-and- cardboard-tube- colors-documented					

Trick-of-the-safety-trade

Use visual FMEA to review processes for safety hazards



MSA design

- 7 parts x 3 operators x 3
 measurements = 63 datapoints
- EMP* analysis
- Assume it'll be iterative (it was)

*Evaluating the Measurement Process (Donald J. Wheeler)

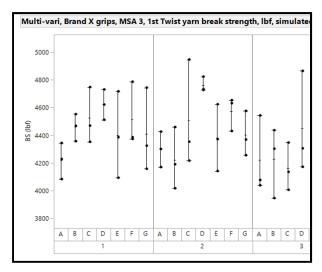
Persistence pays...

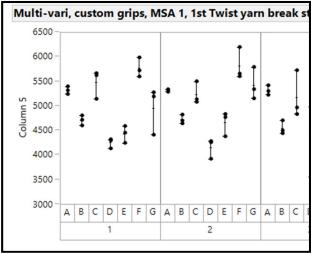
Off-the-shelf grips

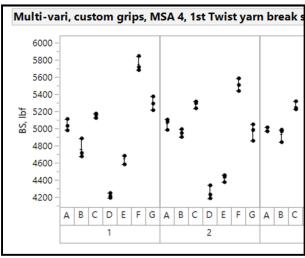
MSA, Rev 1



MSA, Rev 5







Optimize the system

Sweat the human elements

- safety hazards: sonic, electrical, flying debris...
- left handed people
- vision-impaired
- height differences

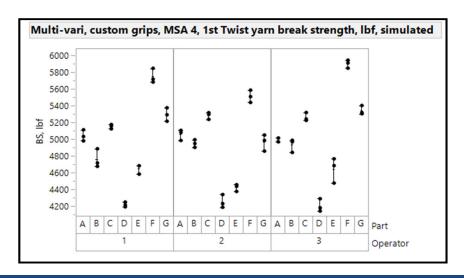
Optimize the system

Apply lean principles

- Avoid chaos & clutter, use 5S
- Choose the right light (4200 %)
- Avoid "Orwellian Bias"

Tricks-of-the-MSA-trade

Use Variability Charts as an easy-tounderstand visual MSA for some audiences.

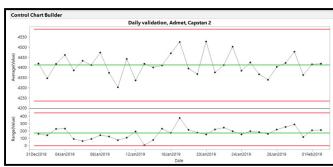


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EMP Test		Results Desc	ription			
Test-Retest Error 74.6		74.66 With	Within Error			
Degrees of Freed	om	38.365 Amo	unt of information used to	estimate within error		
Probable Error		50.358 Med	8 Median error for a single measurement			
Intraclass Correlat	tion (no bias)	0.9804 Prop	4 Proportion of variation attributed to part variation without including bias fa			
Intraclass Correlat	tion (with bias)	0.9683 Prop	0.9683 Proportion of variation attributed to part variation with bias factors			
Bias Impact		0.0121 Amo	unt by which the bias factor	rs reduce the intraclass	correlation	
Potential (no bias) Monitor Clas		egend				
Monitor Clas	Sitication L	egena				
Classification			f Probability of Warning, Test 1 Only*	Probability of Warning, Tests 1-4*		
First Class	0.80 - 1.00	Less than 11%	0.99 - 1.00	1.00		
Second Class	0.50 - 0.80	11% - 29%	0.88 - 0.99	1.00		
	0.20 - 0.50	29% - 55%	0.40 - 0.88	0.92 - 1.00		
Third Class	0.00 - 0.20	More than 559	6 0.03 - 0.40	0.08 - 0.92		
Fourth Class	of warning fo	r a 3 standard	error shift within 10 sub	arouns usina		

Continued success...

- Entropy is merciless
- We validate with a "standard yarn" every morning
- Control chart signals mean STOP immediately



Case study take-away list

- Statistical thinking: not optional
- Iterative DOE for fixture design,
 DSD or I-optimal, depending on
 # of factors

Case study take-away list

- Iterative MSA and Lean Principles to tune test method
- Neither is a spectator sport, we must get our hands dirty (but Mama, that's where the fun is...)

Last point

This approach is useful for other custom equipment designs, torque measurement fixtures, for example.

Questions? Comments?

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