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# Control Charts for Time Series: A Review

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## Outline

1. Introduction
2. Time Series Models and Standard Control Charts
3. Residual Charts
4. Modified Charts
5. Comparison Study for AR(1) Data

## History

### **Statistical Process Control (SPC):**

Shewhart (1926, 31),  
Page (1954),  
Roberts (1959, 66)

### **Time Series Analysis (TSA):**

Yule/Walker (1920/30ies),  
Grenander/Rosenblatt (1957),  
Box/Jenkins (1970),  
Engle/Bollerslev (1982, 86)

### **SPC for Autocorrelated Data:**

Goldsmith/Whitfield (1961),  
Bagshaw/Johnson (1974, 75, 77),  
Nikiforov (1975, 79, 83, 84),  
Rowlands (1976),  
Stamboulis (1971), Vasilopoulos (1974), V/St (1978),  
Alwan (1989)

## Change Point Model for the Mean

$$X_t = Y_t + \sqrt{\gamma_0} a I_{\{m, m+1, \dots\}}(t)$$

with observed process  $X_t$  and target process  $Y_t$ ,

$$E(Y_t) = 0, \quad \gamma_0 = \text{Var}(Y_t),$$

$a$  is known,

$I_{\{m, m+1, \dots\}}(t)$  – indicator function

### Notation:

$t < m$  – in control ( $X_t = Y_t$ ),

$t \geq m$  – out of control ( $X_t \neq Y_t$ )

$P_{m,a}(\cdot)$ ,  $E_{m,a}(\cdot)$  – probability measure, expectation for change point  $m$  and shift  $a$

In the sequel  $m = 1 \rightsquigarrow P_a(\cdot)$ ,  $E_a(\cdot)$

→ ARL (Average Run Length) =  $E_a(N)$

with control chart stopping time (run length)  $N$

(cf. steady state ARL =  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} E_{m,a}(L - m + 1 \mid L \geq m)$ )

## Time Series Models

for the target process  $Y_t$  ( $E(Y_t) = 0$ )

1. ARMA models (with Gaussian noise)

$$Y_t = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i Y_{t-i} + \varepsilon_t + \sum_{j=1}^q \beta_j \varepsilon_{t-j}$$

with  $\varepsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

2. more general (discrete) Gaussian processes
3. GARCH processes

$$Y_t = \sigma_t \varepsilon_t, \quad \sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i Y_{t-i}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^q \beta_j \sigma_{t-j}^2$$

## Standard Control Charts

### Two-sided Charts for Individual Observations

$$(E(Y_t) = 0)$$

1. Shewhart chart (1926,31)

$$N_s = \inf \left\{ t \in \mathbb{N} : |X_t| \geq c_s \sqrt{\gamma_0} \right\}$$

2. CUSUM chart (Page 1954)

$$N_c = \inf \left\{ t \in \mathbb{N} : \max\{-S_t^-, S_t^+\} \geq c_c \sqrt{\gamma_0} \right\}$$

$$\text{with } S_t^+ \stackrel{t \geq 1}{=} \max\{0, S_{t-1}^+ + X_t - k\}, S_0^+ = 0, S_t^- \dots$$

3. EWMA chart (Roberts 1959)

$$N_e = \inf \left\{ t \in \mathbb{N} : |Z_t| \geq c_e \sqrt{\lambda/(2-\lambda)} \sqrt{\gamma_0} \right\}$$

$$\text{with } Z_t \stackrel{t \geq 1}{=} (1-\lambda) Z_{t-1} + \lambda X_t, Z_0 = 0$$

## Effects of Autocorrelation I

**Example:** AR(1) data, i. e.  $Y_t = \alpha Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$ ,

with  $\gamma_0 = 1$ ,  $|\alpha| < 1$

If *Analyst*

falsely assumes independence  
and designs related charts

for •  $a = \sqrt{\gamma_0} = 1$  ( $\leadsto k = 0.5$ ,  $\lambda = 0.1$ ),

•  $E_0(N) = 500$  (in control)

then

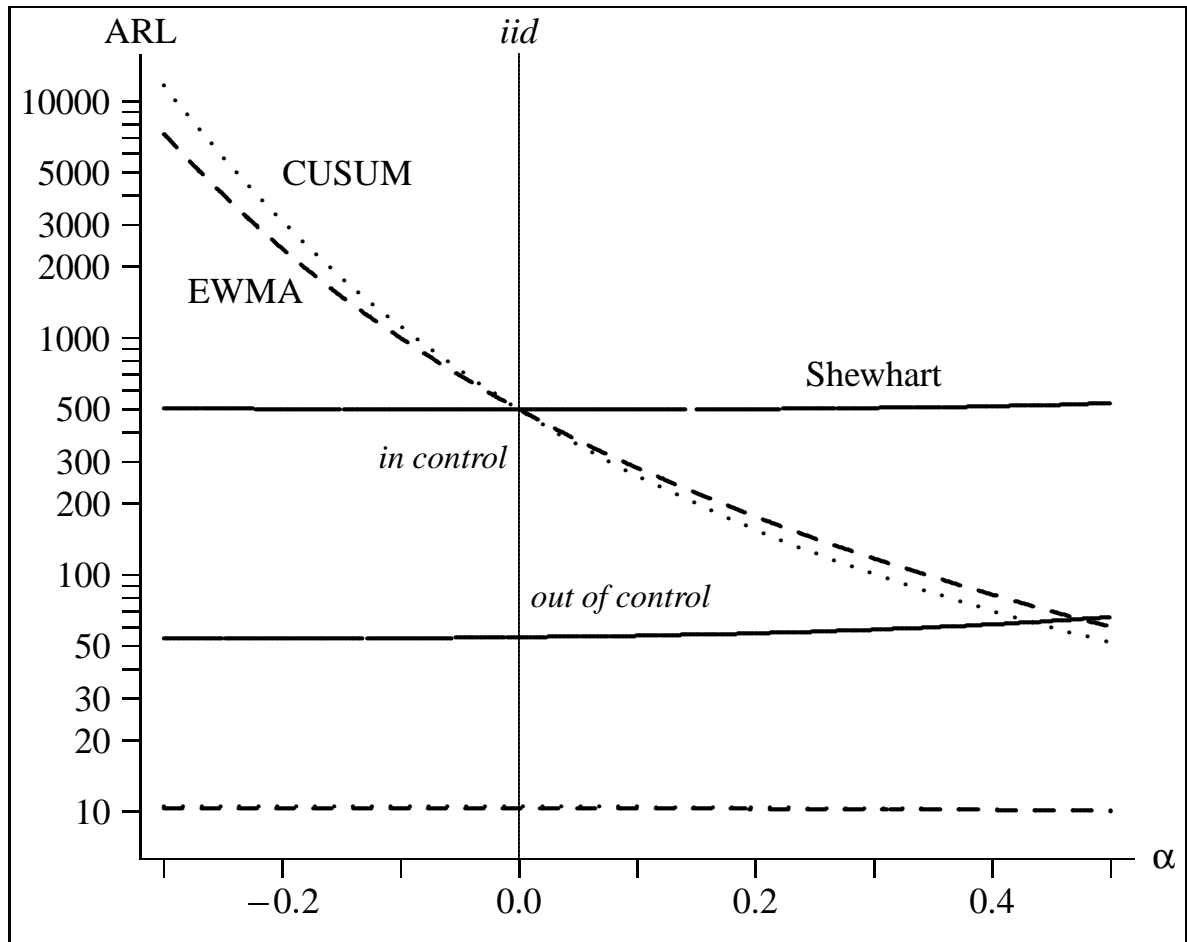
$$c_s = 3.0902, c_c = 5.0707, c_e = 2.8143$$

$$E_1(N_s) = 54.6, E_1(N_c) = 10.5, E_1(N_e) = 10.3,$$

but ...

→

## Effects of Autocorrelation II





# Control Charts Types for Time Series

- **Modified Charts**

control charts with modified parameters  
(control limits,  $k$ ,  $\lambda$ , variance term)

*applied to*

original data

- **Residual Charts**

standard control charts

*applied to*

transformed data

(model residuals, forecast errors etc., CUSUM/SPRT)

### 3. Residual Charts

**Goal:** time series data  $\rightarrow$  transformation  $\rightarrow$  iid data

*early applications:*

Davies (1964) – EWMA forecasts, CUSUM charts to forecast errors

Ermer (1980) – (in control) ARMA fit, Shewhart chart to the sequence of sums of squares of residuals

**Method here:** forecast (prediction) error  $\hat{\varepsilon}_t = X_t - \hat{X}_t$

$X_t$  – stationary process:  $\hat{X}_t = \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \phi_{ti} X_{t-i}$

$X_t$  – AR(1):  $\hat{X}_t \stackrel{t>1}{=} \alpha X_{t-1}$ ,  $\hat{X}_1 = 0$

normalization of  $\hat{\varepsilon}_t \rightarrow$  standard Control Charts

*Remark:* starting problem, see Kramer/Schmid (1997)

## AR(1)

$$\hat{\Delta}_1 = \frac{X_1}{\sqrt{\gamma_0}}, \quad \hat{\Delta}_t \stackrel{t>1}{=} \frac{\sqrt{1-\alpha^2} (X_t - \alpha X_{t-1})}{\sqrt{\gamma_0}}$$

in control:  $\hat{\Delta}_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

out of control:  $\hat{\Delta}_t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_t, 1)$  with  $\mu_t = \begin{cases} a & t = 1 \\ a \sqrt{\frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha}} & t > 1 \end{cases}$

$\leadsto$  computation of chart characteristics as in the iid case  
(some slight adaptations around the change point)

# CUSUM Charts

"consequential CUSUM"

**Idea:** CUSUM and likelihood ratio (SPRT)

Nikiforov (1975-84), Yashchin (1993), Schmid (1997)

**example:** AR(1)

Schmid

$$S_t^+ = \max_{t>1} \left\{ 0, \varepsilon_t - k \sqrt{\gamma_0}, \right. \\ \left. S_{t-1}^+ + (1 - \alpha) (\varepsilon_t - (1 - \alpha) k \sqrt{\gamma_0}) \right\}, \\ S_1^+ = \max \left\{ 0, (1 - \alpha^2) (X_1 - k \sqrt{\gamma_0}) \right\}$$

Nikiforov

$$S_t^+ = \max_{t>1} \left\{ 0, S_{t-1}^+ + (1 - \alpha) (\varepsilon_t - (1 - \alpha) k \sqrt{\gamma_0}) \right\}, \\ S_1^+ = \max \left\{ 0, (1 - \alpha^2) (X_1 - k \sqrt{\gamma_0}) \right\}$$

**further:** Timmer/Pignatiello/Longnecker (1998), Sparks (2000), Lu/Reynolds (2001)

## 4. Modified Charts

**Idea:** Adapt the control limits (variance term inclusive) and the other chart parameters in order to get the correct in-control ARL and an "optimal" design (rules for  $\lambda$ ,  $k$ ).

~> more complex algorithms for the calculation of the chart characteristics (ARL, steady state ARL ... control limits)

~> Monte Carlo methods

*exceptions:* low order ARMA

- AR(1): Markov chain approach for Shewhart chart
- AR(1), ARMA(1,1): Rowlands (1976) solved integral equations for CUSUM
- ARMA: Yashchin (1993) replaced the dependent observations by a "similar" iid sequence

*disadvantage:* cannot transfer iid chart setup rules ( $\lambda$ ,  $k$ )

## Theoretical Results – Bounds I

- Schmid (1995), Shewhart charts, in control

**Th. 1:**  $\{Y_t\}$  Gaussian process

$$\rightsquigarrow P(N_s > k) \geq P_{iid}(N_s > k) = (2\Phi(c_s) - 1)^k$$

$$E(N) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(N_s > k) \rightsquigarrow E(N_s) \geq E_{iid}(N)$$

**Th. 2:**  $\{Y_t\}$  stationary Gaussian AR(1)

$$\rightsquigarrow P(N_s > k) \text{ is a nondecreasing function in } |\alpha|.$$

## Theoretical Results – Bounds II

1-sided EWMA:  $N_e^u = \inf \{t \in \mathbb{N} : Z_t > c \sqrt{\text{Var}(Z_t)}\}$

- Schmid/Schöne (1997)

**Th. 3:**  $\{Y_t\}$  Gaussian process,  $\gamma_v \geq 0$

$$\rightsquigarrow P(N_e^u > k) \geq P_{iid}(N_e^u > k)$$

- Schöne et al. (1999)

**Th. 4:**  $\{Y_t\}$  Gaussian process with  $\{\gamma_v\}$ ,  $\{\delta_v\}$ , resp.

Assume that

$$\gamma_0 > 0, \delta_0 > 0, \gamma_h \geq 0, \delta_h \geq 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq h \leq k-1,$$

$$\gamma_i \delta_j \geq \gamma_j \delta_i \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j < i \leq k-1 \quad (*)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow P_\gamma(N_e^u > k) \geq P_\delta(N_e^u > k)$$

(\*) for positive  $\{\gamma_v\}$ ,  $\{\delta_v\}$ :  $\frac{\gamma_i}{\gamma_j} \geq \frac{\delta_i}{\delta_j}$

## Further Remarks

- Influence of parameter estimation of the time series model

Kramer/Schmid (1997) Shewhart charts

- Control charts for GARCH

Severin/Schmid (1999) – mean, application

Pawlak/Schmid (2001) – mean, Shewhart, theoretical

Schipper/Schmid (2001) – scale, application



## 5. Comparison Study

- Target process  $Y_t = \alpha Y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t$   
with  $\varepsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  and  $Cov(\varepsilon_s, \varepsilon_t) = 0$  for  $s \neq t$ .
- cp-model  $X_t = Y_t + a \sqrt{\gamma_0}$ ,  
where  $a \in \{0, 0.5, 1.0, \dots, 3.0\}$   
and  $Var(X_t) = Var(Y_t) = \gamma_0 = 1/(1 - \alpha^2)$ .
- Control charts:
  1. modified EWMA, abbr. EWMAmod,
  2. residual EWMA, abbr. EWMAres,
  3. (conseq.) CUSUM (Schmid), abbr. CUSUMmod,
  4. residual CUSUM chart, abbr. CUSUMres,
  5. CUSUM with mod. control limits, abbr. CUSUMcla

## Comparison Study II

- in-control ARL 500

- EWMA

$\lambda \in \{0.01, 0.025, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1\}$

for EWMAres ...  $\cup \{0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9\}$

- CUSUM

$k \in \{0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 2.0\}$

for CUSUMcla only  $\{0, 0.25, 0.5, \dots, 2.0\}$

- Computation methods

EWMAmod, CUSUMcla – Monte Carlo with 10,000,000 repetitions

others – Markov chain approximation (Brook/Evans 1972) with matrix dimension 300

## Out-of-control AR for different Control Charts – negative Autocorrelation

$\alpha$	chart	shift $a$			
		0.5	1.0	2.0	3.0
-0.6	EWMAmod	(.1)11.102	(.2)4.389	(.4)1.938	(.6) <del>1.363</del>
	EWMAres	(.1) <b><u>10.823</u></b>	(.4)4.058	(.8)1.988	(1)1.537
	CUSUMmod	(.3)11.364	(.5)4.128	(2.4) <b><u>1.851</u></b>	(2.4) <b><u>1.314</u></b>
	CUSUMres	(.4)0.964	(.8) <b><u>4.053</u></b>	(1.4)1.997	(2.4)1.537
	CUSUMcla	(.25)11.962	(.25)4.930	(.5)2.206	(.75)1.531
-0.4	EWMAmod	(.1)15.947	(.2)5.854	(.4)2.339	(.6) <b><u>1.482</u></b>
	EWMAres	(.1) <b><u>15.738</u></b>	(.2)5.716	(.6)2.319	(.9)1.567
	CUSUMmod	(.3)16.900	(.5)5.817	(1.2)2.353	(2.4)1.500
	CUSUMres	(.4)16.571	(.7) <b><u>5.706</u></b>	(1.2) <b><u>2.318</u></b>	(1.9)1.564
	CUSUMcla	(.25)16.898	(.5)6.142	(.75)2.476	(1)1.581
-0.2	EWMAmod	(.05)21.735	(.2)7.782	(.4)2.846	(.6)1.647
	EWMAres	(.05) <b><u>21.711</u></b>	(.2) <b><u>7.675</u></b>	(.5)2.820	(.8)1.669
	CUSUMmod	(.3)23.410	(.5)7.878	(1)2.818	(1.5) <b><u>1.645</u></b>
	CUSUMres	(.3)2.945	(.6)7.786	(1.1) <b><u>2.770</u></b>	(1.7)1.646
	CUSUMcla	(.25)23.160	(.5)7.944	(.75)2.865	(1.25)1.664
0.0	EWMAmod	(.05) <b><u>28.766</u></b>	(.1) <b><u>10.333</u></b>	(.4)3.522	(.7)1.865
	EWMAres	(.05) <b><u>28.766</u></b>	(.1) <b><u>10.333</u></b>	(.4)3.522	(.7)1.865
	CUSUMmod	(.3)31.480	(.5)10.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>
	CUSUMres	(.3)31.480	(.5)10.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>
	CUSUMcla	(.3)31.480	(.5)10.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>

## Out-of-control $\bar{A}R$ for different Control Charts – positive Autocorrelation

$\alpha$	chart	shift $a$			
		0.5	1.0	2.0	3.0
0.0	EWMAMod	(.05) <b><u>28.766</u></b>	(.1) <b><u>10.333</u></b>	(.4)3.522	(.7)1.865
	EWMARes	(.05) <b><u>28.766</u></b>	(.1) <b><u>10.333</u></b>	(.4)3.522	(.7)1.865
	CUSUMmod	(.3)31.480	(.5)0.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>
	CUSUMres	(.3)31.480	(.5)0.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>
	CUSUMcla	(.3)31.480	(.5)0.519	(1) <b><u>3.413</u></b>	(1.5) <b><u>1.792</u></b>
0.2	EWMAMod	(.025)38.539	(.1) <b><u>13.590</u></b>	(.4)4.493	(.8)2.166
	EWMARes	(.025) <b><u>38.520</u></b>	(.1)13.677	(.3)4.537	(.6)2.203
	CUSUMmod	(.3)42.393	(.5)14.353	(1)4.409	(1.5)2.068
	CUSUMres	(.2)41.878	(.4)14.325	(.8)4.394	(1.3)2.038
	CUSUMcla	(.25)41.473	(.5)14.067	(1) <b><u>4.293</u></b>	(1.75) <b><u>1.988</u></b>
0.4	EWMAMod	(.025) <b><u>51.486</u></b>	(.1) <b><u>18.815</u></b>	(.2)5.977	(.8)2.552
	EWMARes	(.025)51.564	(.05)19.123	(.2)6.145	(.5)2.822
	CUSUMmod	(.3)58.273	(.5)0.300	(1)6.040	(1.5)2.516
	CUSUMres	(.2)58.824	(.3)0.120	(.6)6.022	(1.1)2.503
	CUSUMcla	(.25)56.499	(.5)19.422	(1.25) <b><u>5.642</u></b>	(2) <b><u>2.301</u></b>
0.6	EWMAMod	(.025) <b><u>74.066</u></b>	(.05) <b><u>27.286</u></b>	(.2)8.409	(1)3.007
	EWMARes	(.01)74.371	(.05)27.800	(.1)9.272	(.3)4.108
	CUSUMmod	(.2)84.833	(.5)31.238	(1)9.242	(1.5)3.303
	CUSUMres	(.1)83.026	(.2)0.347	(.4)9.169	(.8)3.562
	CUSUMcla	(.25)80.998	(.5)28.636	(1.25) <b><u>7.985</u></b>	(2) <b><u>2.860</u></b>

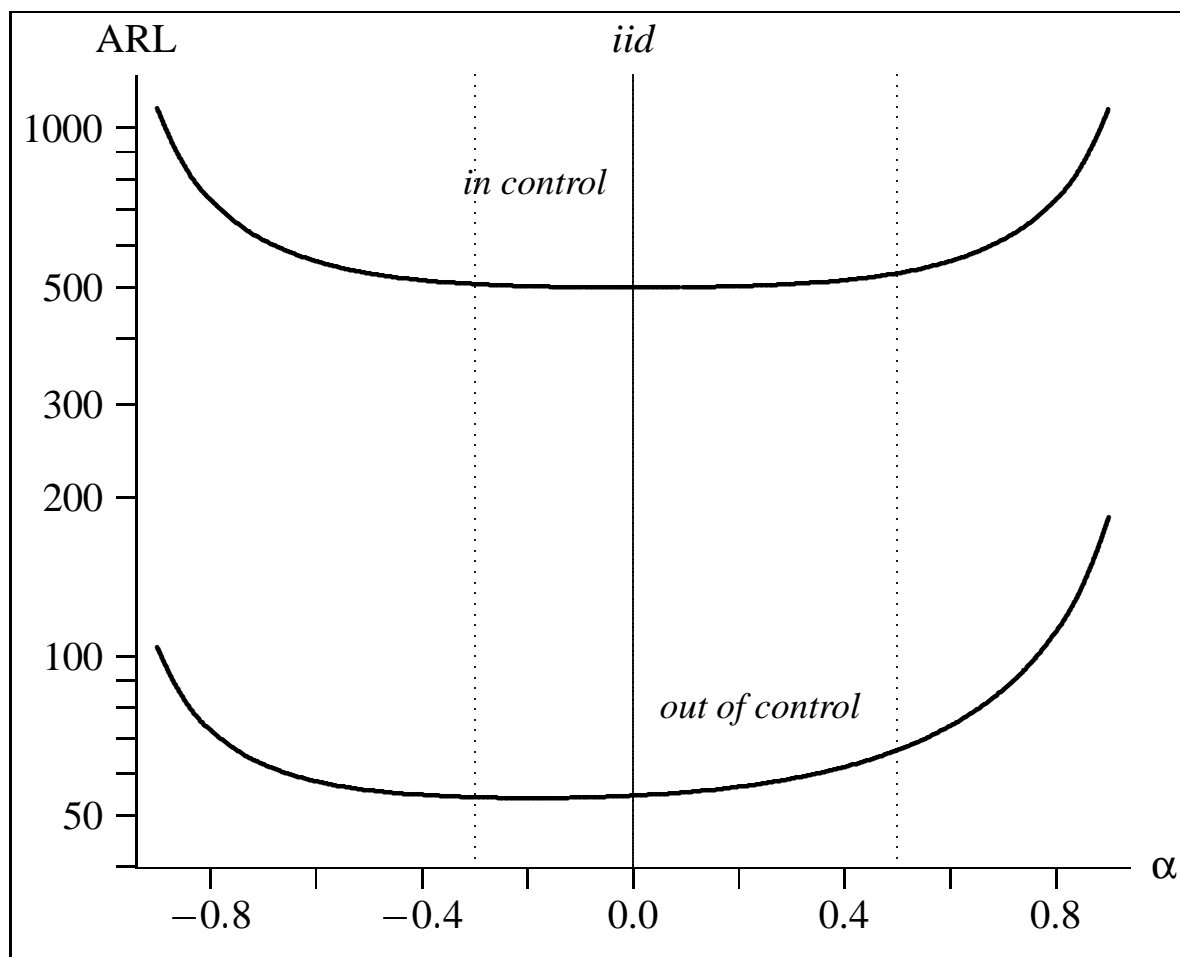
## Conclusions

- Consideration of dependence is necessary and useful
- There is no obvious superior scheme (at least for AR(1))
- Residual schemes are more sophisticated, modified schemes more agreeable (to applications)
- Dependence is a more frequently investigated pattern in SPC than known
- Steady-state ARL is more suitable than the ARL (from which EWMA takes advantage) because of the starting problem for time series models
- Automatic process control (APC) might be a link between standard SPC schemes and dependence considerations (engineering literature)
- Only few results in literature on optimality in the case of dependence (cf. Lai 1998 – similar to Lorden 1971)

## Earlier Reviews and Surveys

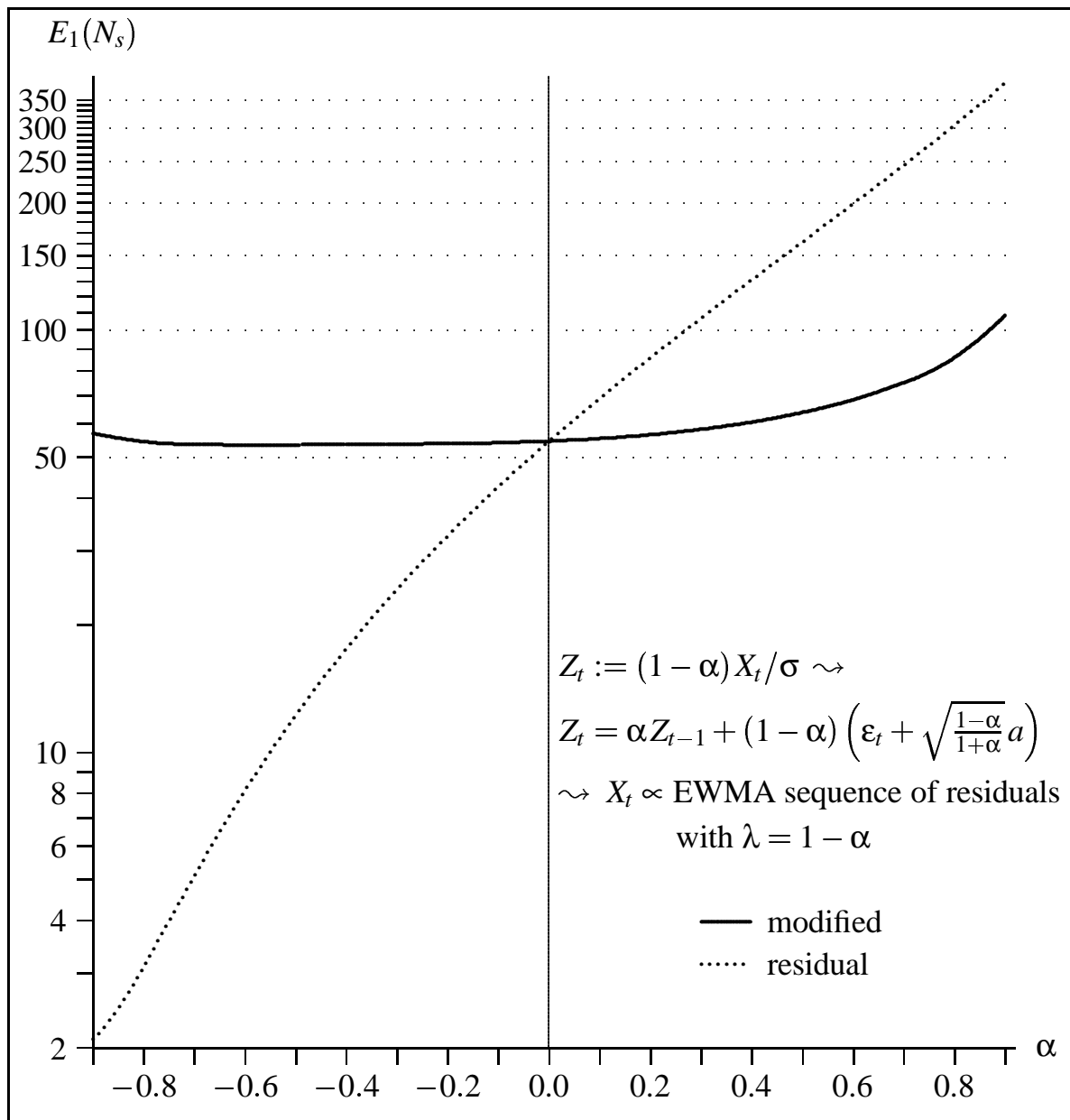
Kligene/Tel'ksnis (1982),  
Basseville (1988),  
Rowlands/Wetherill (1991),  
Montgomery/Mastrangelo (1991),  
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## Effects of (auto)correlation III



# Residual vs. Modified Shewhart Chart

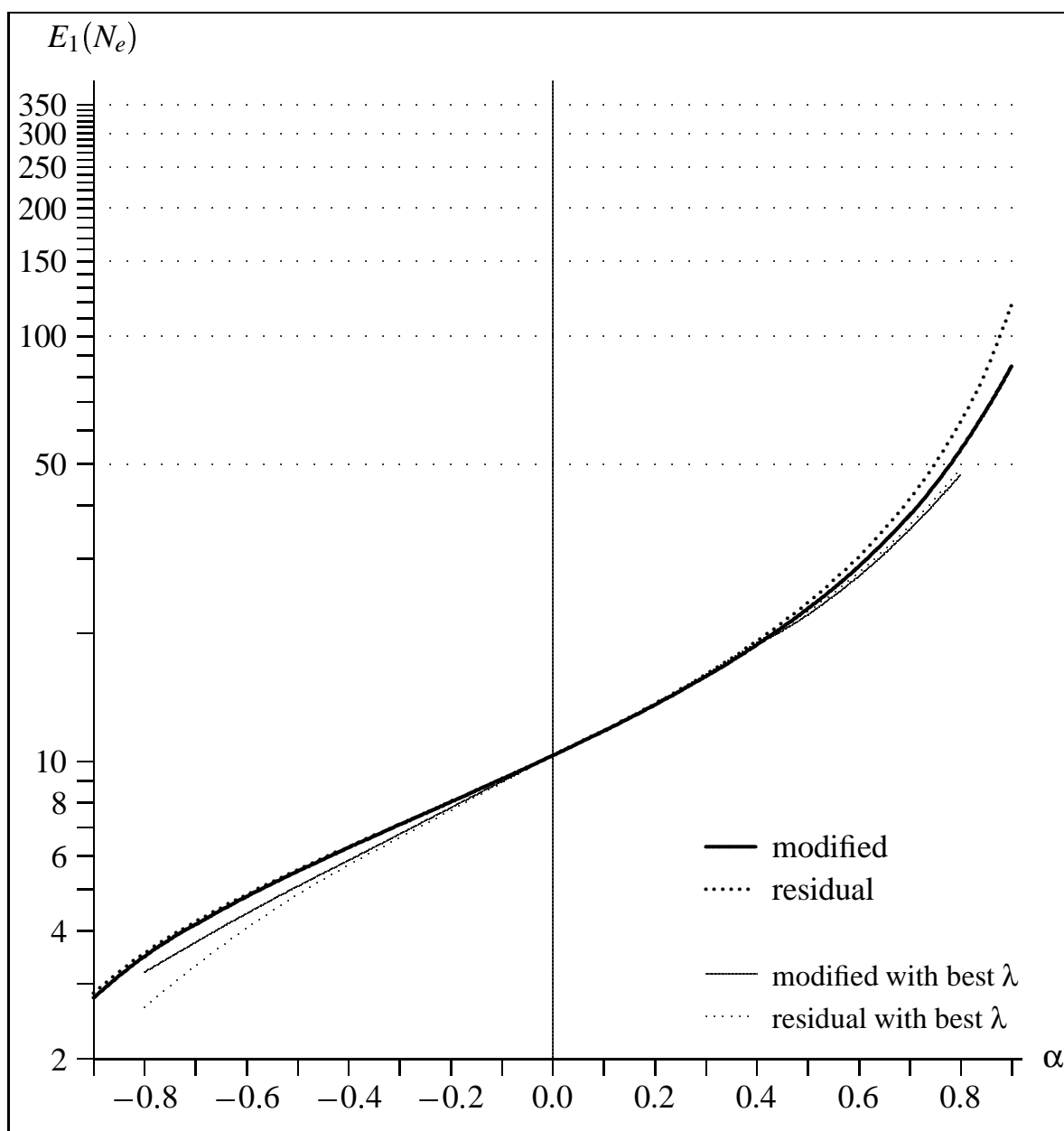
$E_0(N_s) = 500, a = 1,$   
out-of-control ARL  $E_1(N_s)$  vs. autocorrelation coefficient  $\alpha$





## Residual vs. Modified EWMA Chart

$\lambda = 0.1$ ,  $E_0(N_e) = 500$ ,  $a = 1$ ,  
out-of-control ARL  $E_1(N_e)$  vs. autocorrelation coefficient  $\alpha$



## Timmer/Pignatiello/Longnecker (1998)

### Different cp-Model

$$X_t = \delta_t + \alpha X_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad ,$$

$$\delta_t = \begin{cases} \delta_0 & , t < m \\ \delta_A & , t \geq m \end{cases} \quad ,$$

$$E(X_t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\delta_0}{1 - \alpha} & , t < m \\ \frac{\delta_A}{1 - \alpha} - \frac{\alpha^{t-m+1}}{1 - \alpha} (\delta_A - \delta_0) & , t \geq m \end{cases}$$

