

Measurement Systems Correlation

MSC for Suppliers

Correlation of multiple measurement systems for use by quantifying accuracy relative to a Gold Standard Measurement System

- Understand the characteristics of correlation
- Understand the method for establishing measurement correlation
- Define the requirements for correlation between systems

The Qualities of Correlation

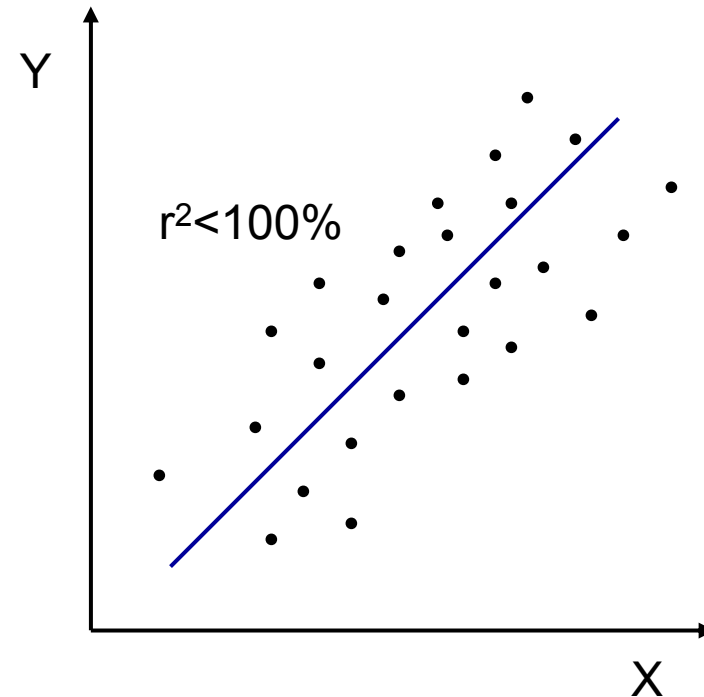
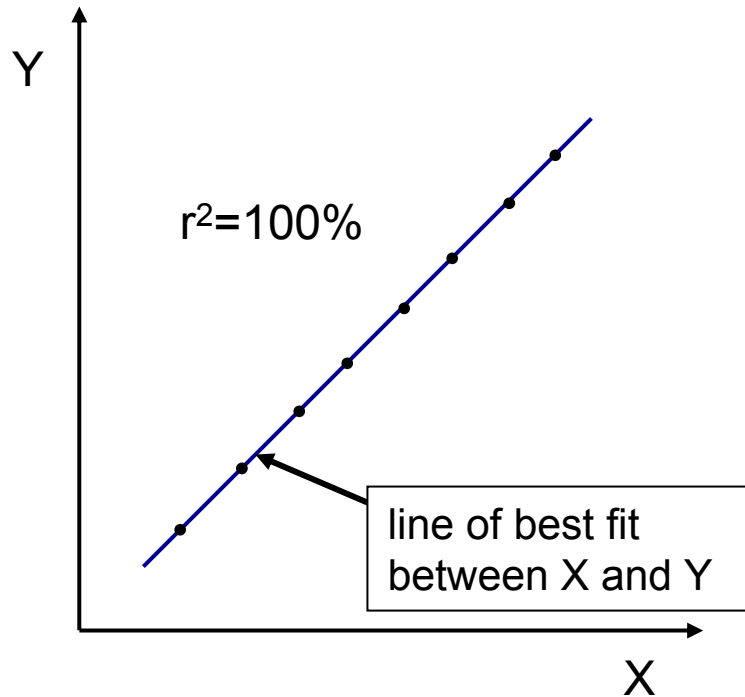
- A Gold Tester is the measurement system used to determine and assign specifications
- Correlation measures the ability of a measurement system to reproduce the measurement (and, therefore, acceptance) values obtained on an originating, or “Gold”, tester
- The state of correlation between testers is assessed by:
 - r^2 : the Coefficient of Determination
 - Offset
 - Linearity
 - Repeatability

The Importance of Correlation

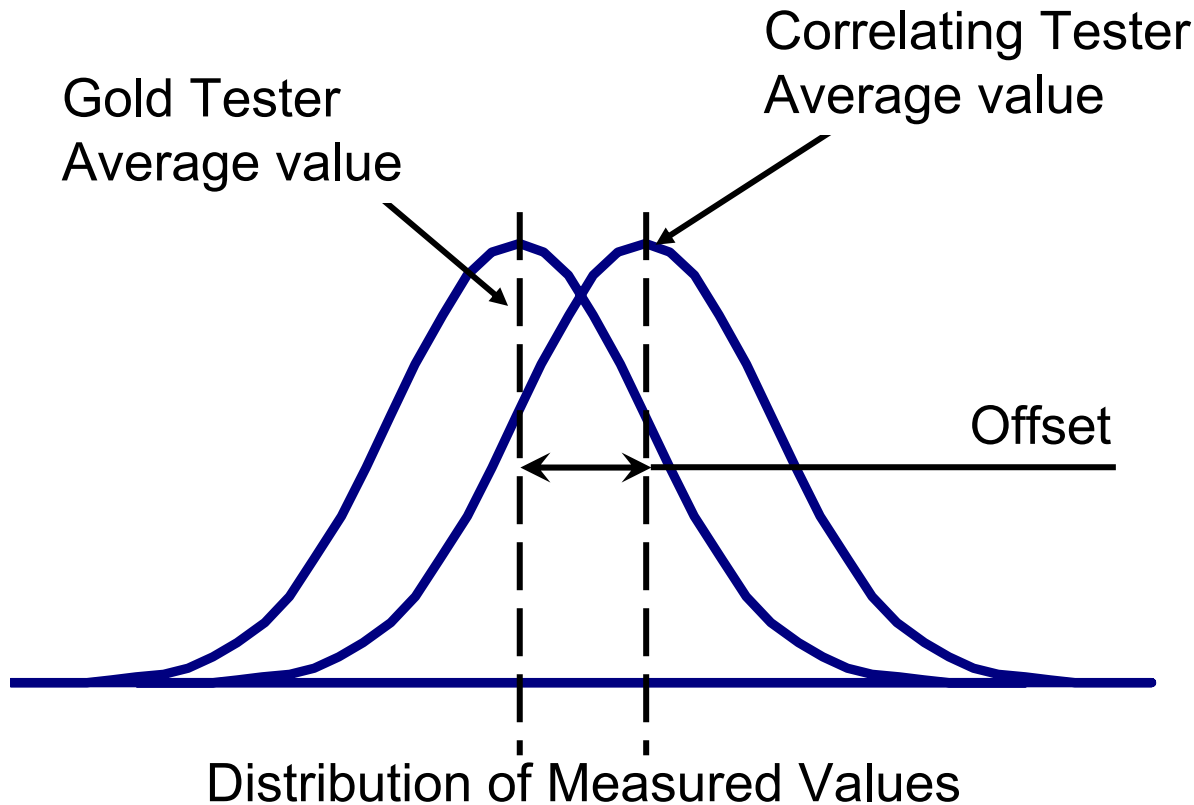
- **Establishes a relationship between the specification requirement and the test equipment at the supplier or manufacturing site**
 - Mitigates the risk that suppliers could produce and ship non-conforming units without knowing it
 - Mitigates the risk that suppliers could optimize their product distribution to the incorrect target
 - Mitigates schedule and cost risk due to specification requirements that are too tight without knowing it
- Acceptance criteria for correlation is a business risk decision
 - The less important the parameter, the more risk you can take and the looser the requirements can be
 - The more capable the product distribution, the more risk you can take and the looser the requirements can be
 - Looser correlation requirements can reduce the cost required for test verification equipment

Coefficient of Determination: The r^2 Value

The r^2 value is usually expressed as a percentage; it represents **the amount of variation in Y that is explained by X**. r^2 is equal to 100% when every data point lies on the regression line

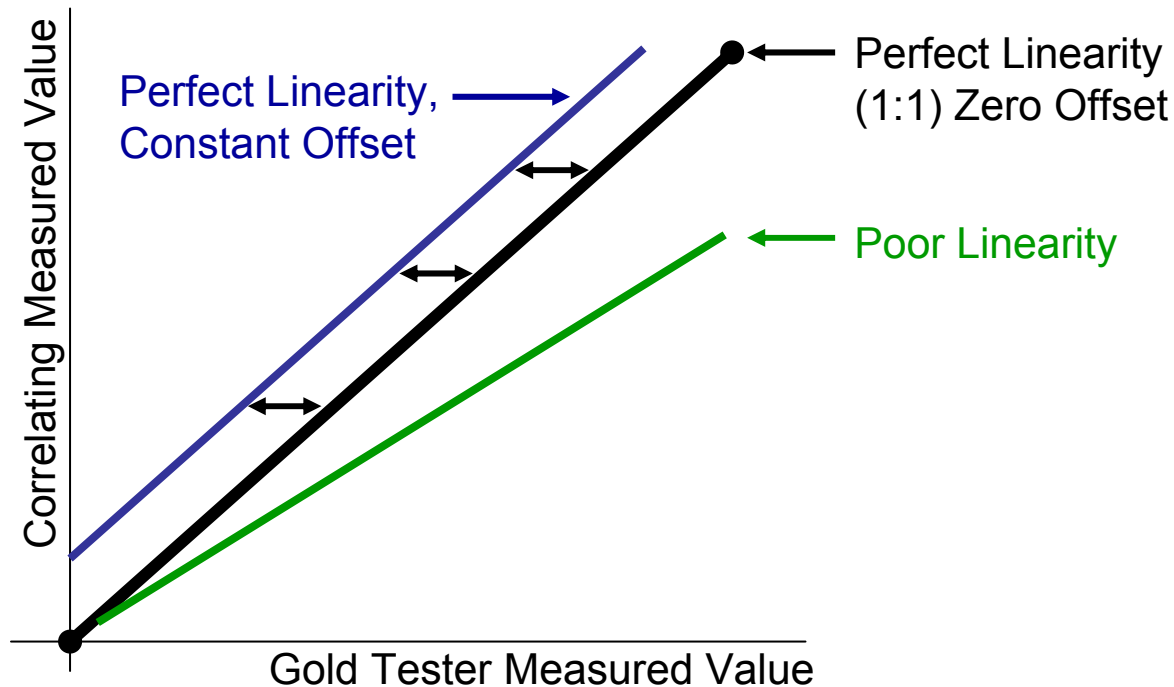


Offset is the difference between the average values of the Correlating Tester measurement and the Gold Tester measurement at a specific measurement value



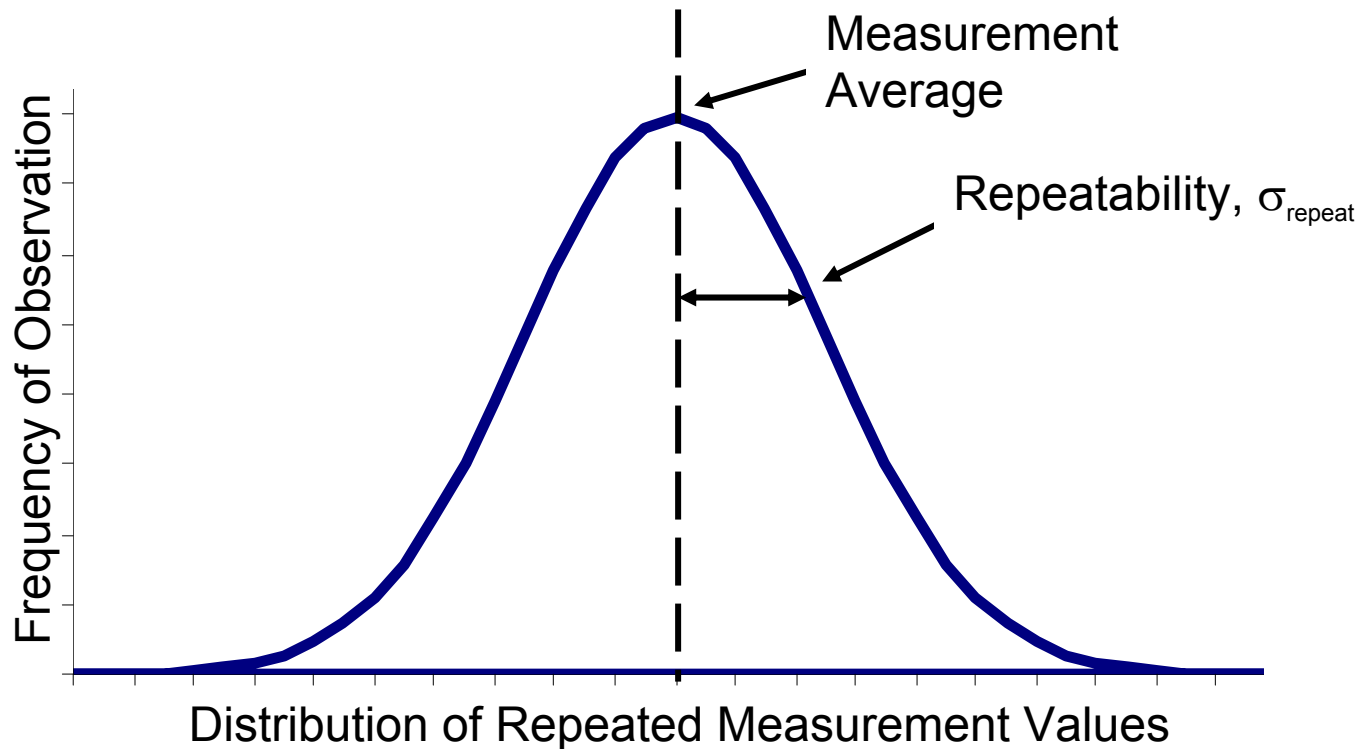
Linearity

Linearity is the consistency of the **offset** over the range of measurement; a 1:1 slope between the correlating tester and gold tester is perfect



Repeatability

Repeatability is the consistency of a single measurement system to measure the same part multiple times; it is related to the standard deviation of the measured values



- **R-squared** is the **Coefficient of Determination** between the measurement values of the Gold Tester and the Correlating Tester; it measures the strength of the correlation
- **Linearity** is defined by the slope between Gold Tester measured values and Correlating Tester measured values; a slope of 1 (representing a 1:1 relationship) is perfect
- **Offset** is defined by the average difference between the measured values of the Gold Tester and the Correlating Tester; a value of zero is perfect
 - The combination Offset and Linearity define the amount of systematic measurement error across the entire measurement range; they can generally be corrected through calibration
- **Precision** is the 99% confidence interval ($5.15 \cdot \sigma_{\text{error}}$) of single measurement repeatability of the measurement system
- **Error Independence** is defined by the **lack of a relationship between measurement error and the measurement value**; error generated by the measurement process should be independent of the measured value

Measurement Correlation Requirements

MSC Parameter	Recommended Requirement
Coefficient of Determination, r^2	$R^2 > 95\%$ Accept $87\% < R^2 < 95\%$ Marginal Accept
Offset	$< 3\%$ at USL and LSL Accept $3\% < \text{Offset} < 5\%$ Marginal Accept
Linearity to Gold System	Pass the hypothesis test that slope between the Gold and Production system is equal to one (unity)
Precision (repeatability only)	$< 10\%$ Accept $10\% < P/T < 30\%$ Marginal Accept
Error Independence	Pass the hypothesis test that error is independent of measured value

Threats to Achieving Acceptable Correlation

- Measurement repeatability (process- or machine-related)
 - Measurement system out-of-control (time-related repeatability)
 - Clustering of values of the correlation sample
 - Insufficient range of values represented by the sample used in the study
 - Poor calibration
 - Lack of standards available for the calibration process
 - Insufficient resolution
 - Algorithm differences between participating testers
 - Noise floor differences between participating testers
 - Tooling differences between participating testers
 - Damage to correlation units during the study
 - Mislabeled correlation sample
-and others

Conducting the MSC

- Raytheon provides one template for the MSC which **requires 25 parts** to be measured a minimum of two repetitions on two different measurement systems (or up to three times on three systems); one measurement system must be defined as “Gold” (typically the “originating” tester used to generate the specification)
- For the purposes of analysis, **a part is equivalent to a dimension**
 - 25 different (but similar) dimensions that span the measurement range-of-interest on a single part is equivalent to a single dimension on 25 parts
- Strategically select the parts used in the MSC: **parts should have values that are evenly distributed and span the full tolerance range**
- The **measurement system being assessed must be properly calibrated** using standard operating practice prior to the MSC
- Each participating measurement system must have adequate resolution
- Randomizing the order of measurement of the parts during the MSC is a best practice

Using the MSC Study Template

- Use the MSC Form worksheet in the MSC Excel file to capture measurement data on the parts
- **A minimum of two repeated measures for each part is required;** this is the minimum number needed to establish a measurement range for an individual part; three is recommended
- **A maximum of three systems can be evaluated** (one gold to two production testers)



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MSC Data Acquisition Form				Raytheon Customer Success Is Our Mission
Appraiser Name:				
Parameter:				
Gage Name:				
Gage Type:				
Gage Number:				
Calibration Date:				
Date:				
Part #	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	
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Using the MSC Study Template

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Data Input Sheet for Correlation Analysis

Input data into green cells

Gage Name:	AMS100	Characteristic:	Gap
Gage Type:	Line Width Measurement	Upper Specification Limit:	50
Correlation Manager:	Jim	Lower Specification Limit:	10
Date:	24-Oct-07	Number of Correlating System	3
Gold System ID:	Machine 1 Gold	Trials/System	3
System 1 ID:	Machine 2		
System 2 ID:	Machine 3		

Parameter	Acceptance Criteria	
	Accept	Marginal
r-squared	95%	87%
Offset at LSL/USL	3%	5%
Nearity (α risk)	5%	
T Ratio	10%	30%

User Defined Correlation Acceptance Criteria inserted here

Machine 1 Gold					
Part #	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	Average	Range
1	2	3	1	2.00	2.00
2	3	2	4	3.00	2.00
3	2	3	3	2.67	1.00
4	0	0	0	0.00	0.00
5	4	4	3	3.67	1.00
6	5	3	4	4.00	2.00
7	3	5	5	4.33	2.00
8	3	3	3	3.00	0.00
9	5	6	4	5.00	2.00
10	4	5	5	4.67	1.00
11	6	6	6	6.00	0.00
12	4	4	7	5.00	3.00
13	3	5	4	4.00	2.00
14	5				
15	6				
16	4				
17	6				
18	5				
19	4				
20	6				
21	5				
22	4	7	3	4.67	4.00
23	2	6	5	4.33	4.00
24	4	6	6	5.33	2.00
25	5	3	4	4.00	2.00

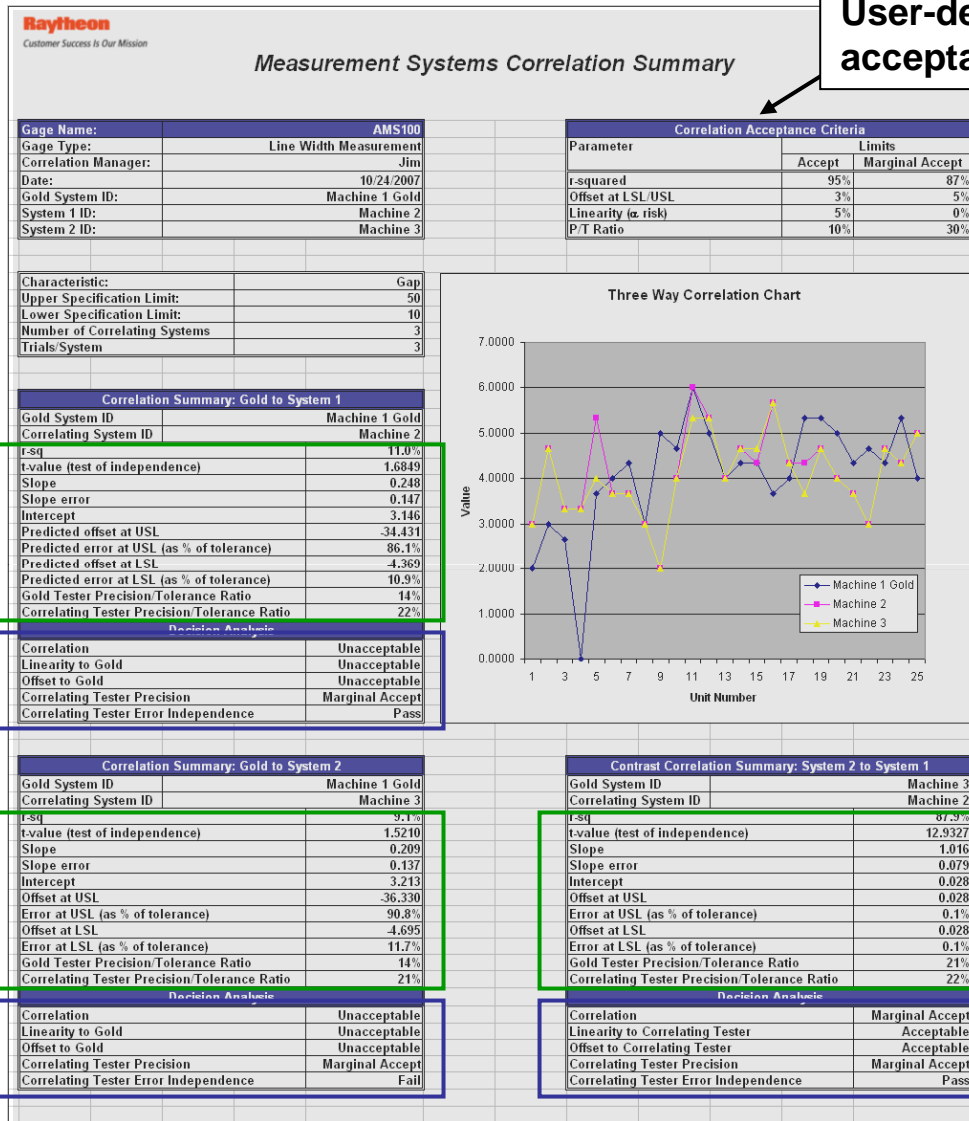
Machine 2					
Part #	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	Average	Range
1	1	3	5	3.00	4.00
2	4	6	4	4.67	2.00
3	3	5	2	3.33	3.00
4	0	6	4	3.33	6.00
5	3	8	5	5.33	5.00
6	4	5	2	3.67	3.00
7	5	3	3	3.67	2.00
8	3	4	2	3.00	2.00
9	4	2	0	2.00	4.00
10	4	5	3	4.00	2.00
11	6	7	5	6.00	2.00
12	7	6	3	5.33	4.00
13	4	5	3	4.00	2.00

Machine 3					
Part #	Trial 1	Trial 2	Trial 3	Average	Range
1	1	3	5	3.00	4.00
2	4	6	4	4.67	2.00
3	3	5	2	3.33	3.00
4	0	6	4	3.33	6.00
5	3	4	5	4.00	2.00
6	4	5	2	3.67	3.00
7	5	3	3	3.67	2.00
8	3	4	2	3.00	2.00
9	4	2	0	2.00	4.00
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Transcribe or import the measurement data into the green highlighted cells on the MSC Input Sheet; the workbook calculates all of the MSC metrics from this data

Interpreting the Results

User-defined acceptance criteria



Correlation and precision performance metrics for the correlating gage

Acceptability results; decisions based on user-defined acceptance criteria

Call to Action

- MSC assures that the production or source measurement equipment can repeat values obtained on the “originating” Gold Measurement system, providing confidence that production units meet the customer specification
- Raytheon template is easy to use and requires no calculation or data manipulation from the user
- Utilizing MSC processes on production measurement equipment is a Raytheon requirement for specific product characteristics

References and Resources

Textbooks:

- [Statistics for Management](#): Levin, Richard

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