

Quality Tool: Flowchart

Date:
Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

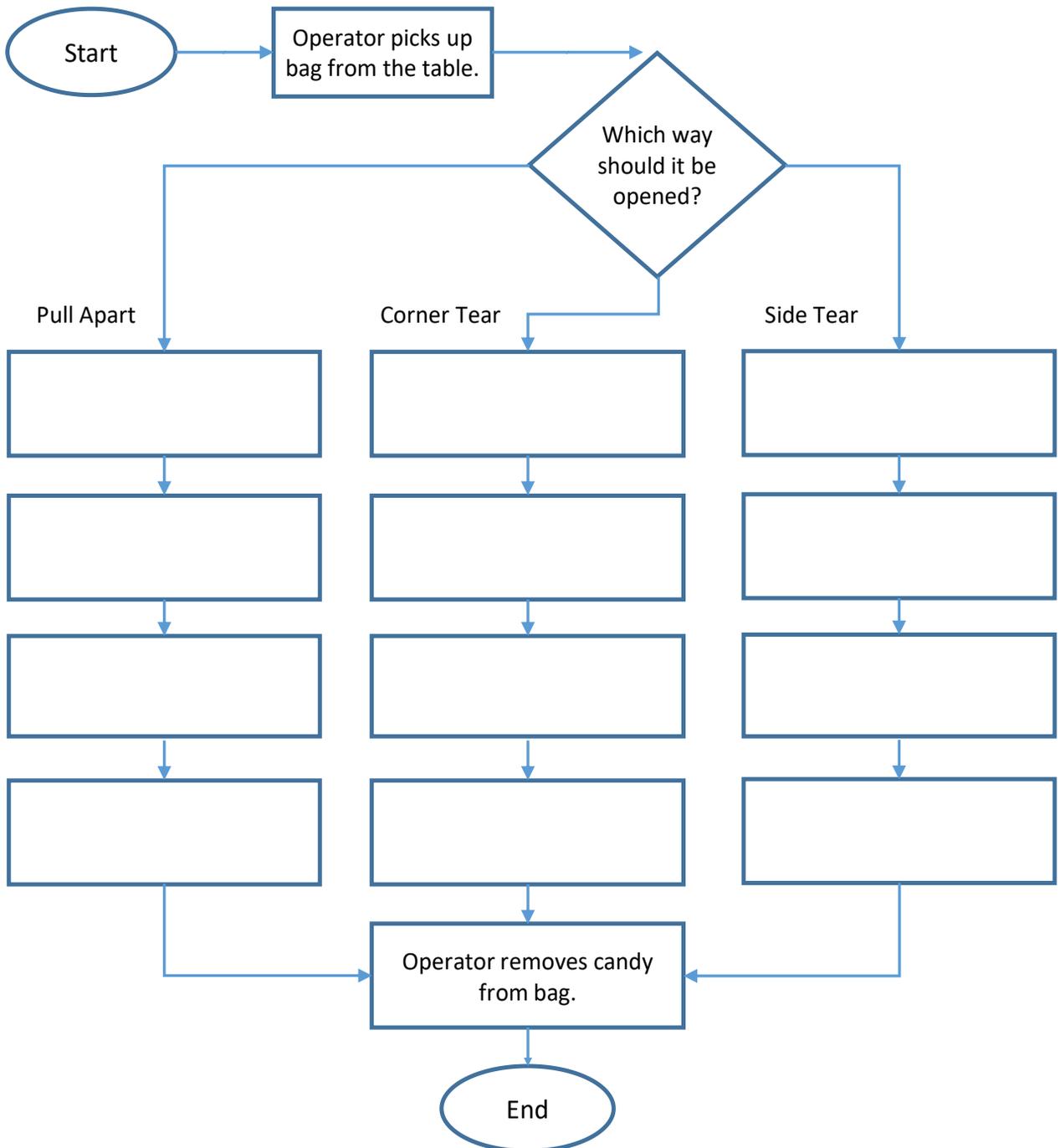
Define the start and stop points of the process.

Determine the steps in the process.

Arrange the steps in the order they are carried out.

Use the correct symbols to identify decisions and steps.

Purpose: A flowchart identifies the actual flow and sequence of events in a process. They can be applied to any product or service and help to identify problem areas as well as documenting all the steps involved.



Quality Tool: Pareto Chart

Date:

Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

Collect data and place into the table for sorting. Calculate the percentage of the total by taking the result for each color and dividing it by the total number of candies in your sample.

Enter the results for each color in the cells at the bottom of the graph starting with the highest values and moving towards the lowest.

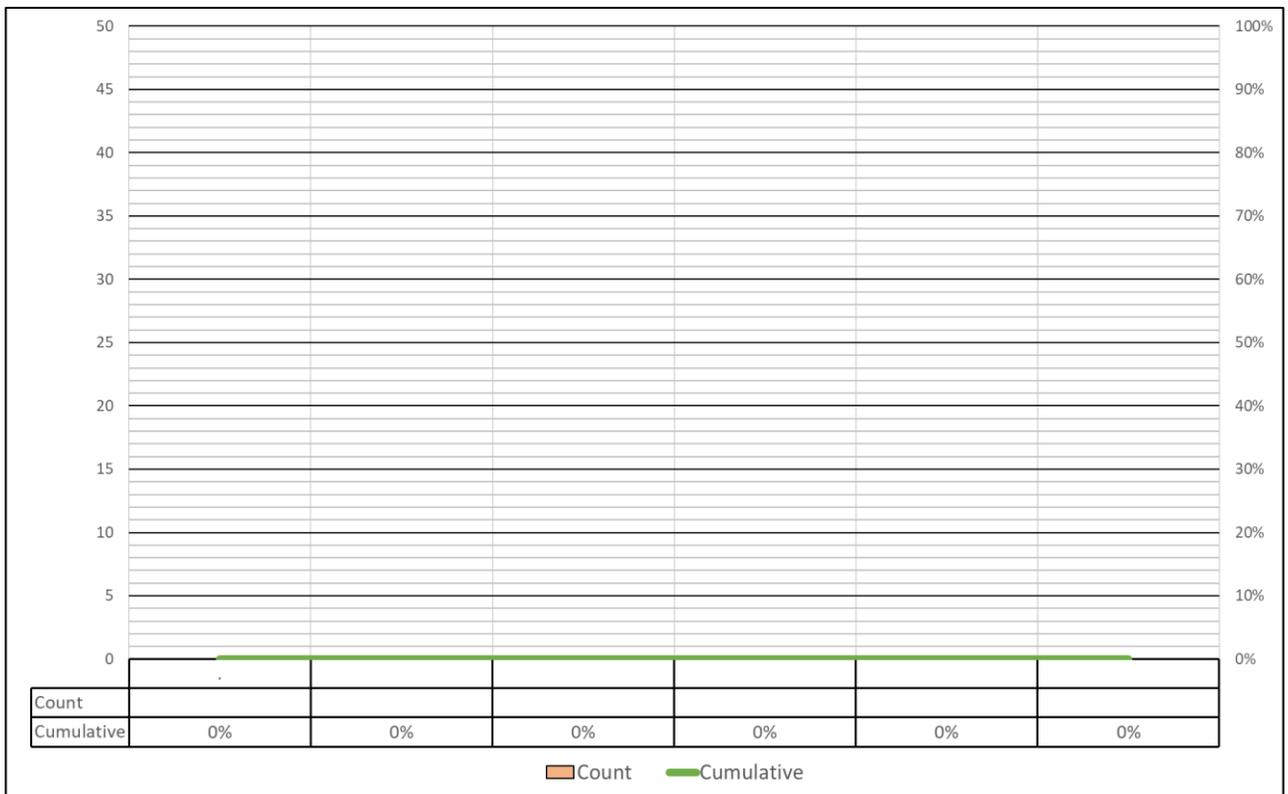
Now, plot the data using the scale on the vertical bar as a guide. Draw the bars for each of the values. The pattern of the "vital few" versus the "trivial many" will begin to appear.

To calculate the cumulative percentage line, record the percentage of the tallest bar with a small dot on the upper right hand corner of the bar. Now add the percentage of the second bar to the first. Find this value on the right hand side of the scale and plot the result on the upper right hand corner of the second bar. Connect the two dots with a straight line. Continue this process until you reach 100%.

Purpose: A pareto chart, also called a Pareto Diagram or Pareto Analysis, depicts data from the highest to the lowest in the form of bars (left to right) by displaying the relative importance of differences among groups of data - a prioritized bar chart.

Data Sheet			
Color	Count	% of Total	Cumulative

Sum:



Quality Tool: Pareto Chart Example

Date:

Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

Collect data and place into the table for sorting. Calculate the percentage of the total by taking the result for each color and dividing it by the total number of candies in your sample.

Enter the results for each color in the cells at the bottom of the graph starting with the highest values and moving towards the lowest.

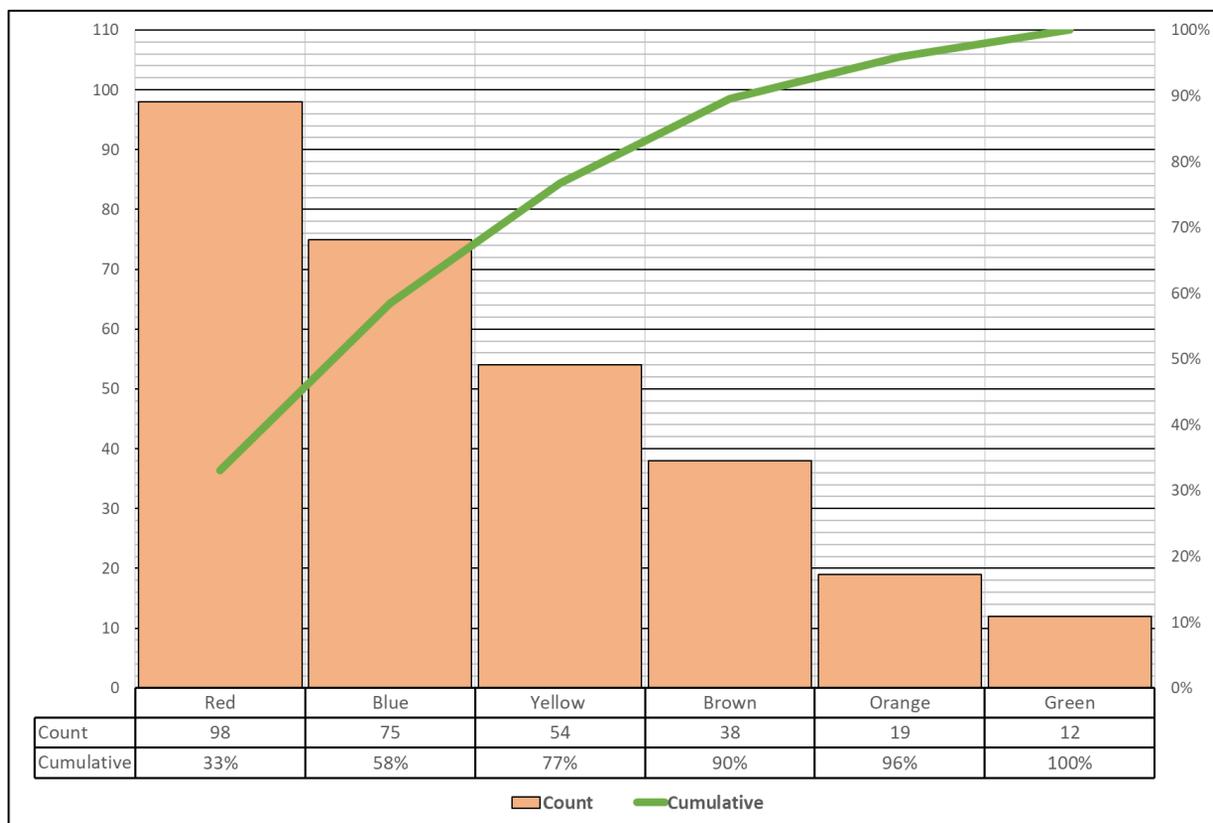
Now, plot the data using the scale on the vertical bar as a guide. Draw the bars for each of the values. The pattern of the "vital few" versus the "trivial many" will begin to appear.

To calculate the cumulative percentage line, record the percentage of the tallest bar with a small dot on the upper right hand corner of the bar. Now add the percentage of the second bar to the first. Find this value on the right hand side of the scale and plot the result on the upper right hand corner of the second bar. Connect the two dots with a straight line. Continue this process until you reach 100%.

Purpose: A pareto chart, also called a Pareto Diagram or Pareto Analysis, depicts data from the highest to the lowest in the form of bars (left to right) by displaying the relative importance of differences among groups of data - a prioritized bar chart.

Data Sheet			
Color	Count	% of Total	Cumulative
Red	98	33%	33%
Blue	75	25%	58%
Yellow	54	18%	77%
Brown	38	13%	90%
Orange	19	6%	96%
Green	12	4%	100%

Sum: 296



Quality Tool: Histogram

Date:

Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

A bin is the upper limit. The frequency refers to how often the range defined by the bin.

We want to understand the distribution of the 300 measurements compared to the average. Each bin represents the total number in each bag. The frequency represents how often this number occurred in our sample of 300 measurements.

Record the data in the table, then plot the data within the broken vertical lines to form bars. Draw a small dot in the center of each bar. Connect these dots with a smooth line to form a curve.

Plot the average of the sample using a line that extends from the horizontal axis to the top of the graph.

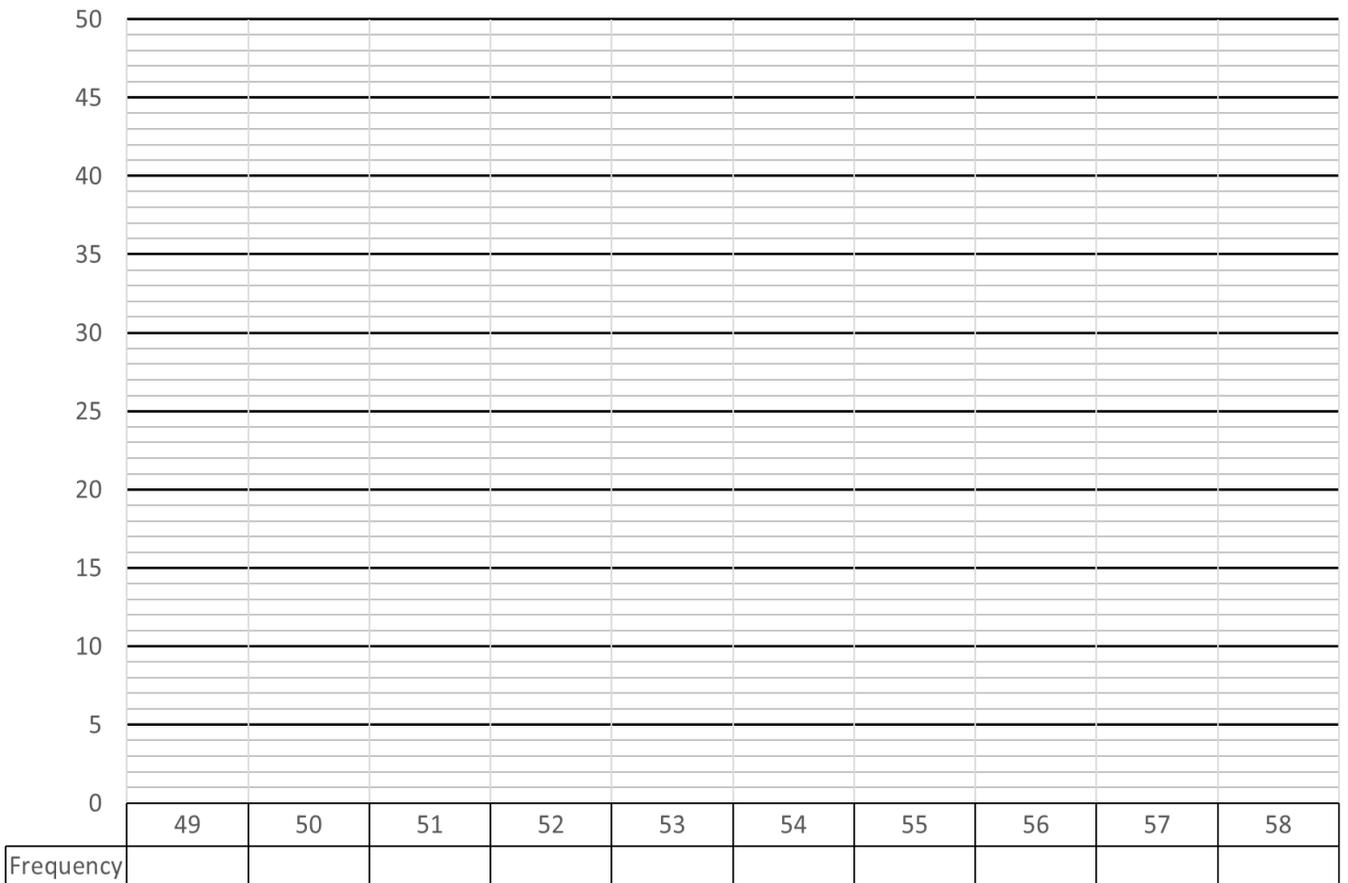
Purpose: Histograms are simply bar graphs that show the number of observations in each class (bin) as the height of a bar. They are helpful for displaying this distribution of data relative to one another and are useful to use whether or not the data follows a normal distribution (bell curve).

Data Table

Bin	Frequency	Bin	Frequency
49	0	54	47
50	24	55	48
51	38	56	31
52	47	57	20
53	45	58	0

Average: 53

Frequency



Quality Tool: Histogram Example

Date:
Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

A bin is the upper limit. The frequency refers to how often the range defined by the bin.

We want to understand the distribution of the 300 measurements compared to the average. Each bin represents the total number in each bag. The frequency represents how often this number occurred in our sample of 300 measurements.

Record the data in the table, then plot the data within the broken vertical lines to form bars. Draw a small dot in the center of each bar. Connect these dots with a smooth line to form a curve.

Plot the average of the sample using a line that extends from the horizontal axis to the top of the graph.

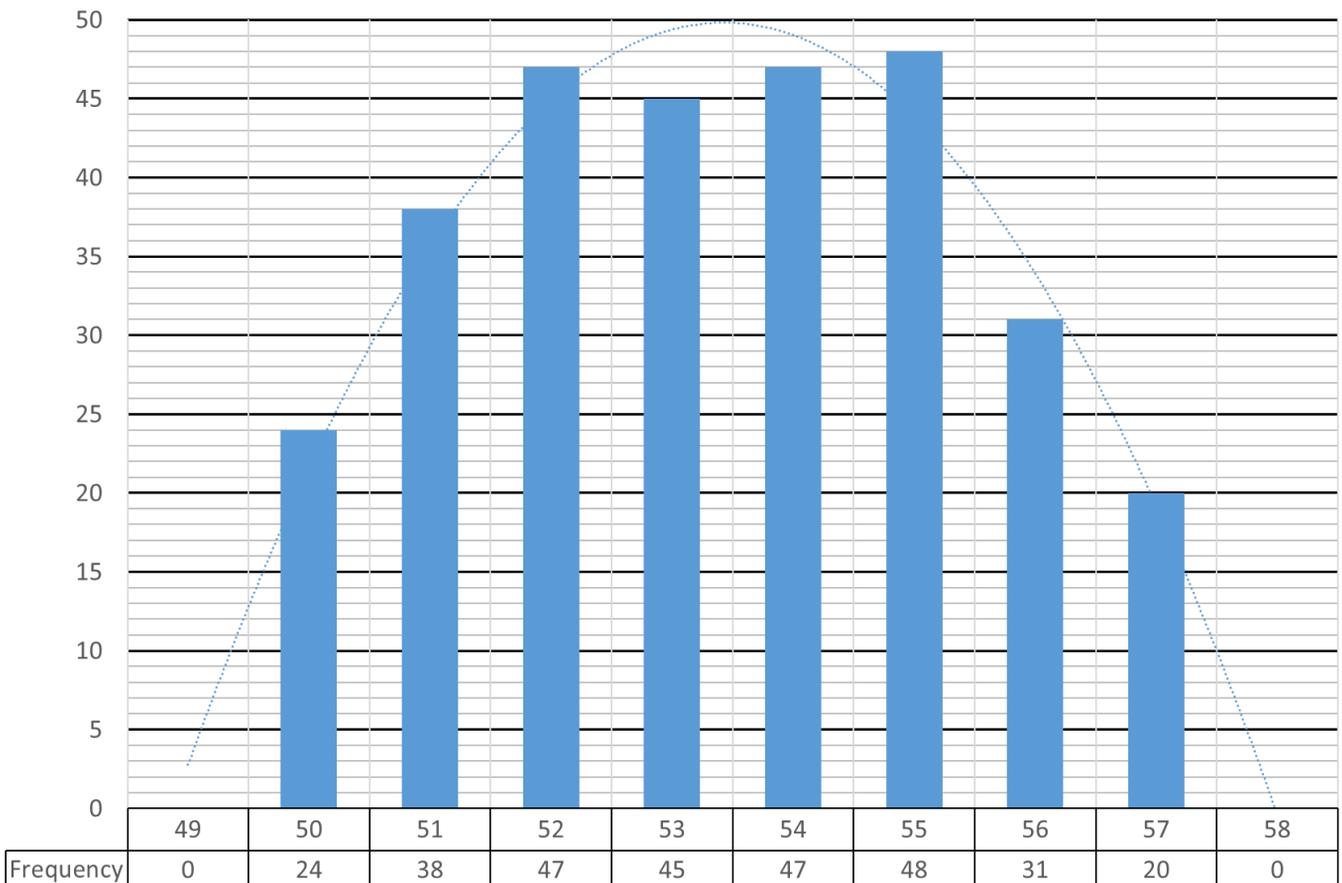
Purpose: Histograms are simply bar graphs that show the number of observations in each class (bin) as the height of a bar. They are helpful for displaying this distribution of data relative to one another and are useful to use whether or not the data follows a normal distribution (bell curve).

Data Table

Bin	Frequency	Bin	Frequency
49	0	54	47
50	24	55	48
51	38	56	31
52	47	57	20
53	45	58	0

Average: 53

Frequency



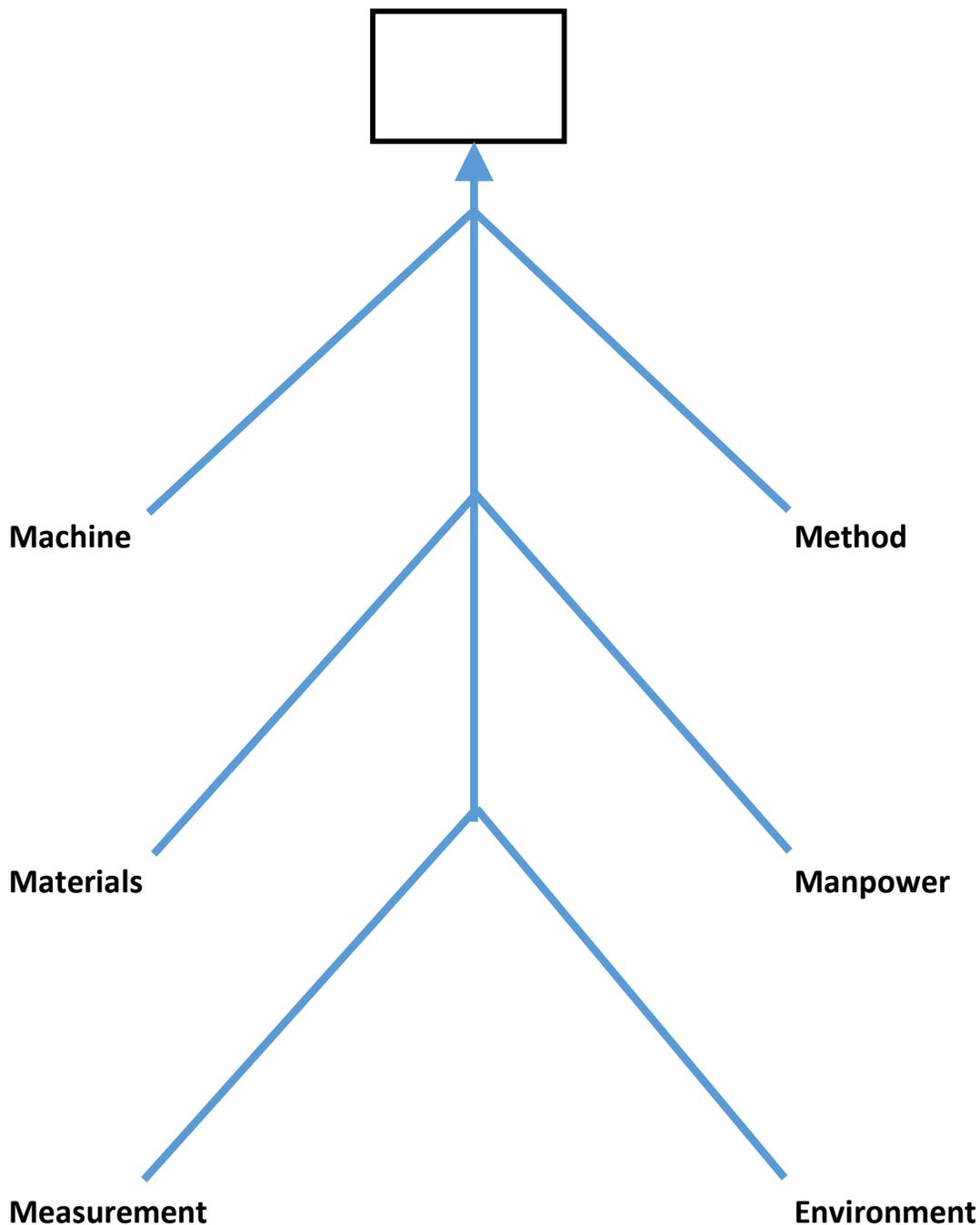
Quality Tool: Cause & Effect Diagram

Date:
Inspector:

Description & Instructions:

Enter the problem statement in the box provided.
Brainstorm the major categories of the problem. Generic headings are provided.
Write the categories of causes as branches from the main arrow.

Purpose: A Cause and Effect Diagram (fishbone) helps identify, explore, and graphically display in increasing detail, all of the possible causes related to a problem or condition to discover its root cause.



Quality Tool: Scatter Diagram

Date:

Inspector:

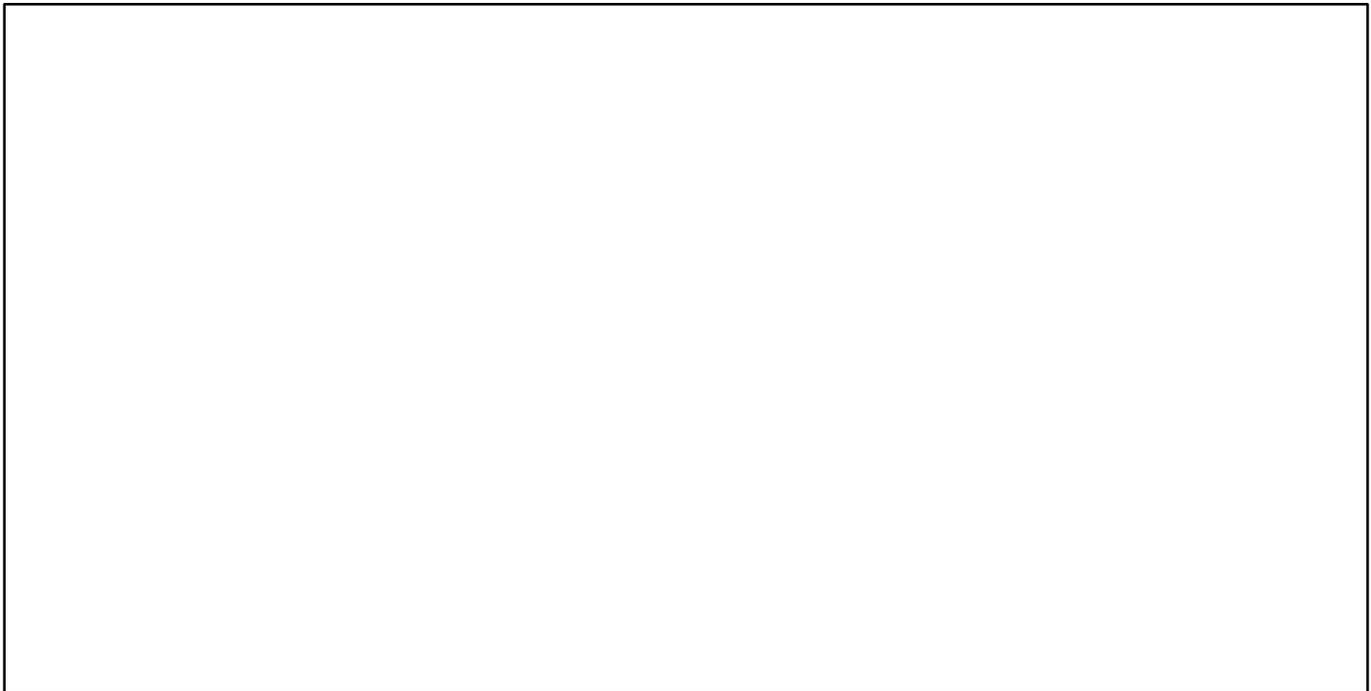
Purpose: A scatter diagram is used to identify the possible relationships between the changes observed in two different sets of variables. It supplies the data to confirm whether or not two variables are related. It also provides a visual means to test the strength of a potential relationship.

Description & Instructions:

Collect the pairs of sample data. The data for a previous count has already been entered into the data table.

Use both scales to plot data on the chart. If values are repeated, circle that point as many times as required.

Review the results and determine if there is a relationship (correlation) between the two sets of data by determining if there is a pattern. Is there a positive or negative correlation? Is there a correlation to observe at all?



Data Table		
Team	Green	Sample
1	7	56
2	4	55
3	5	52
4	5	56
5	4	54

Data Table		
Team	Green	Sample
6	6	55
7	7	53
8	5	51
9	4	50
10	6	52

Quality Tool: Scatter Diagram Example

Date:

Inspector:

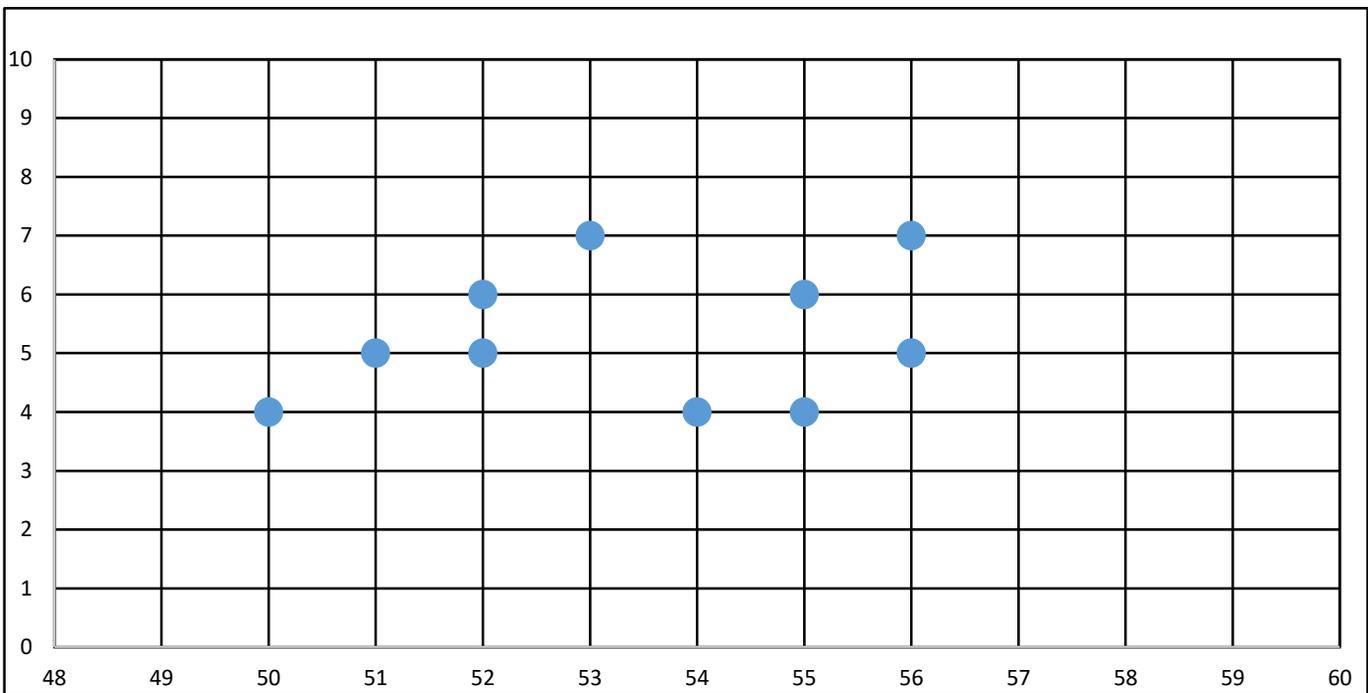
Description & Instructions:

Collect the pairs of sample data. The data for a previous count has already been entered into the data table.

Use both scales to plot data on the chart. If values are repeated, circle that point as many times as required.

Review the results and determine if there is a relationship (correlation) between the two sets of data by determining if there is a pattern. Is there a positive or negative correlation? Is there a correlation to observe at all?

Purpose: A scatter diagram is used to identify the possible relationships between the changes observed in two different sets of variables. It supplies the data to confirm whether or not two variables are related. It also provides a visual means to test the strength of a potential relationship.



Data Table		
Team	Green	Sample
1	7	56
2	4	55
3	5	52
4	5	56
5	4	54

Data Table		
Team	Green	Sample
6	6	55
7	7	53
8	5	51
9	4	50
10	6	52

