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A metric, referred to as the *Normalized Performance Ratio* (NPR), is defined. The NPR measures a quality of the man-machine interface (MMI) which profoundly influences its value to the human operator of the associated man-machine system. The value of an MMI's NPR is equal to the mean of the periods of time required by a group of people, varying in their familiarity with the interface's operation, to complete an identical processing task with the system (the mean of the *completion times*), divided by the sample standard deviation of those completion times.

The potential variability among MMIs is infinite. However, all MMIs share a common operational objective, which is to facilitate an operator's ability to manipulate the MMI's

associated processor. The value of an MMI's NPR is a measure of the degree to which that MMI satisfies that operational objective. It is asserted that the value of an MMI's NPR is independent of the complexity of the processing task(s) used for its measurement, and of the complexity of the MMI-processor system. The NPR would thus provide the basis for the unbiased comparison of all MMIs.

A detailed description of the methodology with which an MMI's NPR may be measured is provided, along with illustrations of that methodology which are based on the analyses of the MMIs of actual man-machine systems. Existing MMI-evaluation methods are critically reviewed.



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