

# ST305 - Actuarial Mathematics: Life

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Actuarial Notations

Consider one individual. Define the following:

$T_x$	:	remaining lifetime of a life aged $x$
$\mu_{x+t}$	:	force of mortality
${}_tp_x$	:	survival probability
${}_tq_x$	:	probability of death within time $[0, t]$
$f(t)$	:	density of $T_x$

We have the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}{}_tp_x &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s} ds} \\{}_tq_x &= 1 - {}_tp_x = P(T_x \leq t) \\f(t) &= \mu_{x+t} e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s} ds} = \mu_{x+t} {}_tp_x \\E(T_x) &= \int_0^\infty t f(t) dt = \int_0^\infty {}_tp_x \mu_{x+t} dt \\&= \int_0^\infty P(T_x > t) dt = \int_0^\infty {}_tp_x dt\end{aligned}$$

### 1.2 Some insurance contracts

#### 1.2.1 Actuarial principle - Expected present value

A payment of 1 at time  $t$  is worth  $e^{-rt} = v^t$ .

A payment of 1 made at time  $T_x$  is worth  $e^{-rT_x} = v^{T_x}$  now. (A random quantity)

The value of a contract is the expected present value of its payments, in this case  $E(e^{-rT_x})$ . Below are some examples of insurance contracts and their expected present value:

##### 1. Whole life assurance

A payment of 1 made at time  $T_x$ . Payment is worth  $e^{-rT_x}$  now.

$$E[e^{-rT_x}] = \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} {}_tp_x \mu_{x+t} dt = \bar{A}_x$$

## 2. Pure endowment

A payment of 1 is made at time  $n$  if life is alive. Payment is worth  $e^{-rn}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > n\}}$  now.

$$\begin{aligned} E[e^{-rn}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > n\}}] &= e^{-rn}P(T_x > n) \\ &= e^{-rn}{}_np_x \\ &= e^{-rn}e^{-\int_0^n \mu_{x+t} dt} \\ &= e^{-\int_0^n (r+\mu_{x+t}) dt} = A_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 = {}_nE_x \end{aligned}$$

## 3. Temporary Life Assurance

A payment of 1 immediately on death if that occurs before time  $n$ . Present value is  $e^{-rT_x}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x \leq n\}}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E[e^{-rT_x}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x \leq n\}}] &= \int_0^n e^{-rt}f(t)dt = \int_0^n e^{-rt}\mu_{x+t}p_x dt \\ &= \int_0^n e^{-rt}\mu_{x+t}e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s} ds} dt = \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 \end{aligned}$$

## 4. Endowment Assurance

A payment of 1 either immediately upon death or at time  $n$ , whichever comes first. Present value is  $e^{-rn}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > n\}} + e^{-rT_x}\mathbf{1}_{\{T_x \leq n\}} = e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E[e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)}] &= A_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 + \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 \\ &= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} \end{aligned}$$

### 1.2.2 Variances

For the above examples, we have

#### 1. Whole life assurance

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Present value} &= e^{-rT_x} \\ 2^{nd} \text{ moment} &= E[e^{-2rT_x}] \\ &= \bar{A}_x \text{ at force of interest } 2r \\ \text{Variance} &= \bar{A}_x \text{ at } 2r - (\bar{A}_x)^2 \text{ at } r \end{aligned}$$

#### 2. Pure endowment

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#### 4. Endowment Assurance

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Present value} &= e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)} \\
2^{nd} \text{ moment} &= E \left[ e^{-2r(T_x \wedge n)} \right] \\
&= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} \text{ at } 2r \\
\text{Variance} &= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} \text{ at } 2r - \left( \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} \right)^2 \text{ at } r
\end{aligned}$$

### 1.3 Annuities

Annuity certain:  $a_{\overline{n}|}$ ,  $\ddot{a}_{\overline{n}|}$ ,  $\bar{a}_{\overline{n}|}$

#### 1. Whole Life annuity (Continuous):

1 per annum payable continuously till death.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Present value} &= \bar{a}_{T_x|} = \frac{1 - e^{-rT_x}}{r} \\
\text{Expected value} &= \bar{a}_x = E \left[ \bar{a}_{T_x|} \right] = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_x}{r} \Rightarrow \bar{A}_x + r\bar{a}_x = 1 \\
\text{Variance} &= \text{Var} \left( \frac{1 - e^{-rT_x}}{r} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2} \text{Var}(e^{-rT_x}) \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \bar{A}_x \text{ at } 2r - \left( \bar{A}_x \right)^2 \text{ at } r \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{a}_{T_x|} &= \int_0^\infty \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > t\}} e^{-rt} dt \\
\bar{a}_x &= E \left[ \int_0^\infty \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > t\}} e^{-rt} dt \right] \\
&= \int_0^\infty P(T_x > t) e^{-rt} dt \\
&= \int_0^\infty {}_t p_x e^{-rt} dt
\end{aligned}$$

#### 2. Whole Life annuity (Discrete):

$$\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{T_x|} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e^{-rj} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > j\}} \\
\ddot{a}_x &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} e^{-rj} {}_j p_x \\
a_x &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{-rj} {}_j p_x \\
\ddot{a}_x &\approx \bar{a}_x + \frac{1}{2} \text{ for whole life annuities}
\end{aligned}$$

### 3. Temporary annuity (Continuous):

1 per annum payable continuously till death or time  $n$ , whichever comes first.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Present value} &= \bar{a}_{\overline{T_x \wedge n}|} = \frac{1 - e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)}}{r} \\
\text{Expected value} &= \bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}}{r} \Rightarrow \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} + r\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} = 1 \\
\text{Variance} &= \text{Var} \left( \frac{1 - e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)}}{r} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2} \text{Var} \left( e^{-r(T_x \wedge n)} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|} \text{ at } 2r - (\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|})^2 \text{ at } r \right)
\end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{a}_{\overline{T_x \wedge n}|} &= \int_0^n \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > t\}} e^{-rt} dt \\
\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \int_0^n {}_t p_x e^{-rt} dt
\end{aligned}$$

### 4. Temporary annuity (Discrete):

$$\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} e^{-rj} {}_j p_x \\
a_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \sum_{j=1}^n e^{-rj} {}_j p_x
\end{aligned}$$

## 1.4 Principle of Equivalence

Expected P.V. of premiums = EPV(benefits) + EPV(expenses)

Ignoring expenses for the time being, EPV(premiums) = EPV(benefits)

**Example:** Suppose we have a whole life assurance financed by a life annuity of  $P$  per annum, then

$$\begin{aligned}
P\bar{a}_x &= \bar{A}_x \\
P &= \frac{\bar{A}_x}{\bar{a}_x}
\end{aligned}$$

If the premium is only payable till time  $n$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
P\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \bar{A}_x \\
P &= \frac{\bar{A}_x}{\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}}
\end{aligned}$$

**Example:** For a temporary life assurance, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 \\
P &= \frac{\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1}{\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}}
\end{aligned}$$

If premium is payable annually in advance,

$$P = \frac{\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1}{\ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}}$$

**Example:** Deferred annuity (pensions):

A whole life (or temporary) annuity commencing at a fixed time  $m$  provided the policyholder is alive then.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expected present value} = {}_m|\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= e^{-rm} {}_m p_x \bar{a}_{x+m:\overline{n}|} \\ &= \bar{a}_{x:\overline{m+n}|} - \bar{a}_{x:\overline{m}|} \\ &= \bar{a}_x - \bar{a}_{x:\overline{m}|} \text{ (for } n = \infty) \end{aligned}$$

For a simple pension contract where premium is paid till time  $m$  and life annuity starts thereafter, we have

$$P = \frac{{}_m|\bar{a}_x}{\bar{a}_{x:\overline{m}|}}$$

## 2 Reserves

Money set aside to finance the rest of the contract. Two kinds of reserves:

1. **Prospective Reserves:** Value at time  $t$  of future liability minus future income = EPV(future benefits) - EPV(future premiums)

2. **Retrospective Reserves:** Net accumulation of money already received.

If interest rates remain the same, prospective and retrospective reserves should equal.

**Example:** Consider a pure endowment, financed by a single premium  $P$  payable in advance.

$$P = v^n {}_n p_x = A_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 = {}_n E_x$$

At time  $t$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prospective reserve, } V_t &= v^{n-t} {}_{n-t} p_{x+t} \\ \text{Retrospective reserve, } V_t^{(R)} &= P e^{rt} \times \frac{1}{{}_t p_x} \\ &= P e^{\int_0^t (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} \\ &= e^{-\int_0^n (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} e^{\int_0^t (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} \\ &= e^{-\int_t^n (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} \\ &= e^{-\int_0^{n-t} (r+\mu_{x+t+s}) ds} \\ &= V_t \end{aligned}$$

The "accumulation" of  $P$  at time  $t$  is  $P e^{\int_0^t (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds}$ .

### 2.1 Thiele's Differential Equation

At any time, a premium  $\pi_t$  is being paid continuously and there is a death benefit  $b_t$ . Consider a small time interval  $(t, t + dt)$ .

### Retrospective argument

$$\begin{aligned}V_{t+dt} &= V_t + r_t V_t dt + \pi_t dt + \mu_{x+t} dt (V_t - b_t) + o(dt) \\V_{t+dt} - V_t &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t dt + \pi_t dt - \mu_{x+t} b_t dt + o(dt) \\ \frac{dV_t}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t + \pi_t - \mu_{x+t} b_t\end{aligned}$$

Solve subject to  $V_0 = \pi_0$ , the premium upfront.

### Prospective argument

$$\begin{aligned}V_t &= (1 - r_t dt)(1 - \mu_{x+t} dt) V_{t+dt} - \pi_t dt + \mu_{x+t} dt b_t + o(dt) \\ \frac{dV_t}{dt} &= (r_t + \mu_{x+t}) V_t + \pi_t - \mu_{x+t} b_t\end{aligned}$$

subject to  $V_{n-} = B$ , the terminal benefit. In the case of whole life assurance, the condition is  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V_t = 0$ .

### Solutions:

#### Retrospective

$$V_t = \int_0^t e^{\int_s^t (r_u + \mu_{x+u}) du} (\pi_s - \mu_{x+s} b_s) ds + \pi_0 e^{\int_0^t (r_u + \mu_{x+u}) du}$$

#### Prospective

$$V_t = \int_t^n e^{-\int_t^s (r + \mu_{x+u}) du} (\mu_{x+s} b_s - \pi_s) ds + B e^{-\int_t^n (r_s + \mu_{x+s}) ds}$$

**Example:** Pure endowment - single premium

#### Retrospective reserve:

$$\begin{aligned}V_{t+dt} &= V_t + V_t r dt + V_t \mu_{x+t} dt \\ \frac{V_{t+dt} - V_t}{dt} &= \frac{V_t r dt + V_t \mu_{x+t} dt}{dt} + \frac{o(dt)}{dt}\end{aligned}$$

As  $dt \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t$ ,  $V_0 = P$ . Solving,  $V_t = P e^{\int_0^t (r + \mu_{x+s}) ds}$ .

#### Prospective reserve:

$$\begin{aligned}V_t &= (1 - r dt)(1 - \mu_{x+t} dt) V_{t+dt} \\ e^{-r dt} &\approx 1 - r dt + o(dt) \\ e^{-\int_t^{t+dt} \mu_{x+s} ds} &\approx 1 - \mu_{x+t} dt + o(dt) \\ \frac{V_t - V_{t+dt}}{dt} &= \frac{-(r + \mu_{x+t}) dt}{dt} V_{t+dt} + \frac{o(dt)}{dt}\end{aligned}$$

Letting  $dt \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t$ ,  $V_{n-} = 1$ . Solving,  $V_t = e^{-\int_0^{n-t} (r + \mu_{x+t+s}) ds} = \text{retrospective}$ .

**Example:** Pure endowment with premium P payable continuously.

$$P = \frac{v^n n p_x}{\ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}}$$

**Retrospective reserve:**

$$\begin{aligned} V_{t+dt} &= V_t + V_t r dt + \mu_{x+t} V_t dt + P dt + o(dt) \\ \frac{V_{t+dt} - V_t}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t + P + \frac{o(dt)}{dt} \\ \frac{dV_t}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t + P \end{aligned}$$

and  $V_0 = 0$ .

**Prospective reserve:**

$$\begin{aligned} V_t &= (1 - r dt)(1 - \mu_{x+t} dt) V_{t+dt} - P dt \\ \frac{dV_t}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t + P \end{aligned}$$

and  $V_n = 1$ . Solving,

$$\begin{aligned} V_t &= e^{-r(n-t)} {}_{n-t}p_{x+t} - P \bar{a}_{x+t:\overline{n-t}|} \\ &= \text{EPV}(\text{benefits}) - \text{EPV}(\text{premiums}) \end{aligned}$$

## 2.2 Stochastic process approach

$I_t$ : Stochastic process.

$$I_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if life is alive} \\ 0 & \text{if life is dead} \end{cases}$$

$N_t$ : No of deaths up to time  $t$ .

$$\begin{aligned} dN_t &= N_{t+dt} - N_t = \text{no. of deaths in } [t, t + dt) \\ I_t &= 1 - \int_0^t dN_s \end{aligned}$$

**Present value at time  $t$  of future payment:**

Consider time  $t \leq s \leq n$ , where  $b_s$  payable if death occurs,  $B$  payable at time  $n$  if alive, and premium  $\pi_s$  payable when alive.

Cashflow at time  $s$  (small interval):  $b_s dN_s - \pi_s I_s ds$

Discount factor:  $e^{-r(s-t)} = e^{-\int_t^s r_u du}$  (if constant i.r.)

So P.V. =  $e^{-r(s-t)} [b_s dN_s - \pi_s I_s ds]$ .

**Prospective reserve:**

$$W_t = \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} (b_s dN_s - \pi_s I_s ds) + e^{-r(n-t)} B I_n$$

$W_t$  is a random variable, so we take expectation.

$$\begin{aligned} V_t &= E(W_t | \mathcal{F}_t) \\ &= E \left[ \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} b_s dN_s - \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} \pi_s I_s ds + e^{-r(n-t)} B I_n \middle| \mathcal{F}_t \right] \\ &= \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} b_s E(dN_s | \mathcal{F}_t) - \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} \pi_s E(I_s | \mathcal{F}_t) ds + e^{-r(n-t)} E(I_n | \mathcal{F}_t) B \end{aligned}$$

Since  $E(dN_s|\mathcal{F}_t) = E(N_{s+ds} - N_s|\mathcal{F}_t) = {}_{s-t}p_{x+t}\mu_{x+s}ds$  and  $E(I_s|\mathcal{F}_t) = {}_{s-t}p_{x+t}$ , we have

$$E(W_t|\mathcal{F}_t) = \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} b_{s-t} {}_{s-t}p_{x+t} \mu_{x+s} ds - \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} \pi_{s-t} {}_{s-t}p_{x+t} ds + e^{-r(n-t)} {}_{n-t}p_{x+t} B$$

**Retrospective reserve:**

$$W_t^{(R)} = \int_0^t (\pi_s I_s - b_s dN_s) e^{r(t-s)} ds$$

for  $0 \leq s < t$ . Retrospective reserve is its expectation shared among the survivors

$$V_t^{(R)} = \frac{E(W_t^{(R)})}{{}_t p_x}$$

**Example:** Pure endowment - Single premium

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prospective reserve at time } t &= e^{-r(n-t)} {}_{n-t}p_{x+t} \\ &= e^{-\int_t^n (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} \end{aligned}$$

$V_n = 1$ ,  $V_0 = e^{-rn} {}_n p_x$  the single premium. And the reserve increases with time.

Or solve:

$$\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t$$

subject to  $V_n = 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Retrospective reserve at time } t &= e^{-rn} {}_n p_x e^{\int_0^t (r+\mu_{x+s}) ds} \\ &= \text{Prospective reserves} \end{aligned}$$

Or solve:

$$\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t$$

subject to  $V_0 = e^{-rn} {}_n p_x$ .

**Example:** Temporary Assurance - Continuous premium payable for  $n$  years, 1 payable on death provided it is before time  $n$

Solve:

$$\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t}) V_t dt + \pi - \mu_{x+t}$$

subject to the conditions  $V_n = 0$  for prospective reserve, and  $V_0 = 0$  for retrospective. Solving this, we have

$$\begin{aligned} V_t &= \int_0^t (\pi - \mu_{x+s}) e^{\int_s^t (r+\mu_{x+u}) du} ds \\ V_n &= \int_0^n (\pi - \mu_{x+s}) e^{\int_s^n (r+\mu_{x+u}) du} ds = 0 \end{aligned}$$

If  $\mu_x$  is an increasing function of  $x$ , we will have  $\pi - \mu_{x+s} > 0$  for some  $s \leq m$  and  $\pi - \mu_{x+s} < 0$  for some  $s > m$ , so  $V_t$  is increasing for  $t < m$  and decreasing for  $t > m$ . On the other hand, if  $\mu_x$  is decreasing in  $x$ , we have negative reserves, which is impossible.



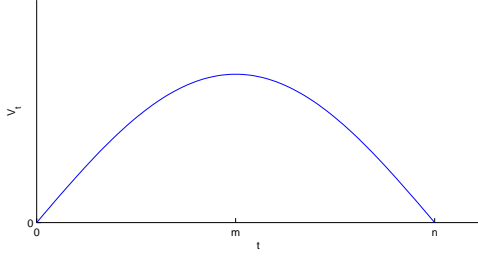


Figure 1: Positive reserves when  $\mu_x$  is increasing

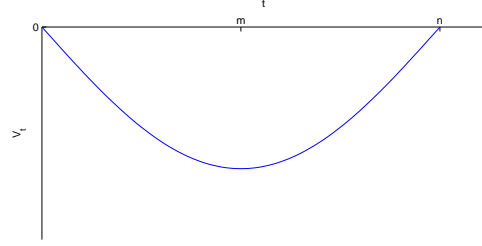


Figure 2: Negative reserves when  $\mu_x$  is decreasing

**Example:** Variable premium - same as above but  $\pi_t = \mu_{x+t}$

Thiele's equation:

$$\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t})V_t dt$$

subject to  $V_0 = 0$ . Solving this, we get  $V_t = 0$  for all  $t$ . There are no reserves. Office just takes premiums and pays them out. This is impractical but very safe for the office.

**Example:** Endowment Assurance - 1 payable upon death or at time  $n$ , whichever comes first, continuous premium  $\pi$

$$\begin{aligned} V_t &= \bar{A}_{x+t:n-t|} - \pi \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} \\ &= 1 - r \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} - \frac{1 - r \bar{a}_{x:n|}}{\bar{a}_{x:n|}} \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} \\ &= 1 - \frac{\bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|}}{\bar{a}_{x:n|}} \end{aligned}$$

Assuming  $\mu_x$  is increasing in  $x$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} &= \int_t^n e^{-\int_t^s (r + \mu_{x+u}) du} ds \\ &< \int_t^n e^{-\int_t^s (r + \mu_{x+t}) du} ds \\ &= \frac{1}{r + \mu_{x+t}} - e^{-(r + \mu_{x+t})(n-t)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r + \mu_{x+t}} \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} &= (r + \mu_{x+t}) \bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|} - 1 \\ &< (r + \mu_{x+t}) \left( \frac{1}{r + \mu_{x+t}} \right) - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\bar{a}_{x+t:n-t|}$  is decreasing,  $V_t$  is an increasing function of  $t$ .

**Example:** Temporary annuity - 1 payable till death or time  $n$

Thiele's equation:

$$\frac{dV_t}{dt} = (r + \mu_{x+t})V_t + \pi - b\mu_{x+t}$$

We have  $\pi = -1$ ,  $b\mu_{x+t} = 0$ ,  $V_n = 0$ .

$$V_t = \bar{a}_{x+t:\overline{n-t}|}$$

### 3 Selection

(Read section 3.4 of Lifebook)

Forms of selection:

- Class selection (e.g. gender)
- Time selection (e.g. mortality improves over time)
- Self selection (e.g. antiselection)
- Temporary initial selection (e.g. time selection that wells off)

Select period:  $s$

$\mu_{x+t}$  and  ${}_t p_x$  does not lead to a proper model, because it does not take into account when the underwriting took place. So we write for a person aged  $x$  at the time of underwriting,

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_x(t) &= \mu_{x+t} \text{ for } t \geq s \\ &= \mu_{[x]+t}\end{aligned}$$

${}_\tau q_{[x]+t}$  is the probability of death within  $\tau$  years for a life aged  $x+t$ , but went through underwriting at age  $x$  ( $t$  years ago).

$$\begin{aligned}{}_\tau q_{[x]+t} &= {}_\tau q_{x+t} \text{ for } t \geq s \\ &= P(T_x \leq t + \tau | T_x > t) \\ {}_\tau p_{[x]+t} &= P(T_x > t + \tau | T_x > t) \\ \mu_{[x]+t} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h q_{[x]+t}}{h}\end{aligned}$$

**Example:**  $s=2$  (selection up to time 2)

$$\begin{aligned}{}_2 p_{[x]} &= {}_1 p_{[x]} \times {}_1 p_{[x]+1} \\ {}_3 p_{[x]} &= {}_1 p_{[x]} \times {}_1 p_{[x]+1} \times {}_1 p_{x+2} \\ \ddot{a}_{[x]} &= 1 + v \times {}_1 p_{[x]} + v^2 \times {}_2 p_{[x]} + v^3 \times {}_1 p_{[x]} \times {}_1 p_{[x]+1} \times {}_1 p_{x+2} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

### 4 Expenses

(Read Chapter 5 of Lifebook)

Types of expenses:

- Fixed: constant rate  $\eta$
- Proportional to the sum assured:  $\alpha b$
- Proportional to premium:  $\beta \pi$
- Proportional to reserve:  $\gamma V_t$

Expenses occur at rate  $\eta + \alpha b + \beta\pi + \gamma V_t$ . Thiele's equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} V_{t+dt} &= V_t + rV_t dt + \mu_{x+t}(V_t - b)dt + \pi dt - (\eta + \alpha b + \beta\pi + \gamma V_t)dt \\ \frac{dV_t}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t})V_t + \pi - \mu_{x+t}b - (\eta + \alpha b + \beta\pi + \gamma V_t) \\ &= (r - \gamma + \mu_{x+t})V_t + ((1 - \beta)\pi - \eta - \alpha b) - \mu_{x+t}b \end{aligned}$$

Solve subject to  $V_n = B$ . We have the Thiele's equation with changed parameters:

$$V_t = \int_t^n e^{-\int_t^s (r - \gamma + \mu_{x+u})du} (\mu_{x+s}b - (1 - \beta)\pi + \eta + \alpha b) ds + B e^{-\int_t^n (r - \gamma + \mu_{x+u})du}$$

We can calculate the premium  $\pi$ . Since  $V_0 = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_0^n e^{-\int_0^s (r - \gamma + \mu_{x+u})du} (\mu_{x+s}b - (1 - \beta)\pi + \eta + \alpha b) ds + B e^{-\int_0^n (r - \gamma + \mu_{x+u})du} \\ &= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 b - (1 - \beta)\pi \bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} + (\eta + \alpha b)\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} + B_n p_x e^{-(r - \gamma)n} \\ (1 - \beta)\pi \bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} &= \bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1 b + (\eta + \alpha b)\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} + B_n p_x e^{-(r - \gamma)n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}$  and  $\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1$  are at force  $r - \gamma$ . We can get the premium from this equation.

## 5 Joint life

### 5.1 Notations

Multiple insurance

Notation:

One life:  $\bar{A}_x$ ,  $\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}$ ,  $\bar{A}_{x:\overline{n}|}^1$ ,  $A_{x:\overline{n}|}^1$ ,  $\bar{a}_x$ ,  $\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}$ ,  $\bar{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}$ .

Now, suppose we have two lives aged  $x$  and  $y$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}_{xy} &= 1 \text{ payable when } xy \text{ breaks on the 1st death} \\ \bar{A}_{xy}^1 &= 1 \text{ payable on the death of } x, \text{ provided } y \text{ is alive} \\ \bar{A}_{xy} &= \bar{A}_{xy}^1 + \bar{A}_{xy}^2 \\ \bar{A}_{\overline{xy}} &= 1 \text{ payable on the second death} \\ \bar{A}_{xy}^2 &= \bar{A}_{xy}^1 \\ \bar{A}_{\overline{xy}}^2 &= 1 \text{ payable on the death of } y \text{ provided } x \text{ is already dead} \\ \bar{A}_{xy:\overline{n}|}^2 &= \text{Same as } \bar{A}_{xy}^2 \text{ before, but only if it happens within } n \text{ years} \\ \bar{A}_{\overline{xy}:\overline{n}|} &= 1 \text{ payable on the second death, provided it is before time } n \\ \bar{A}_{xy:\overline{n}|}^1 &= \text{pure endowment (both alive at } n) \end{aligned}$$

Suppose lives:  $1, 2, \dots, r$ , ages:  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r$ .

Remaining lifetimes:  $T_{x_1}, T_{x_2}, \dots, T_{x_r}$  (Denote by:  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_r$ )

Joint status:  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r)$

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \min(T_1, T_2, \dots, T_r) \\ P(T > t) &= P(\min(T_1, T_2, \dots, T_r) > t) \\ &= P(T_1 > t, T_2 > t, \dots, T_r > t) \\ &= {}_t p_{x_1, \dots, x_r} \end{aligned}$$

If they are independent, then

$$\begin{aligned}
P(T > t) &= P(T_1 > t)P(T_2 > t) \dots P(T_r > t) \\
&= {}_t p_{x_1} \times {}_t p_{x_2} \times \dots \times {}_t p_{x_r} \\
{}_t p_{x_1 \dots x_r} &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x_1 \dots x_r+s} ds} \\
&= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x_1+s}^{(1)} ds} e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x_2+s}^{(2)} ds} \dots e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x_r+s}^{(r)} ds} \\
\mu_{x_1 \dots x_r+t} &= \mu_{x_1+t}^{(1)} + \mu_{x_2+t}^{(2)} + \dots + \mu_{x_r+t}^{(r)}
\end{aligned}$$

GM mortality law:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_x^{(i)} &= A_i + B_i e^{C_i x} \\
\mu_x^{(1)} + \dots + \mu_x^{(r)} &= (A_1 + \dots + A_r) + (B_1 + \dots + B_r) e^{C x} \text{ also GM law}
\end{aligned}$$

## 5.2 Common joint life contracts

1. **Pure endowment** - 1 payable at time  $n$  if all are alive.

$$\begin{aligned}
PV &= v^n \mathbf{1}_{\{T > n\}} \\
A_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|} &= {}_n E_{x_1 \dots x_r} \\
&= v^n {}_n p_{x_1 \dots x_r}
\end{aligned}$$

2. **Whole life assurance** - 1 payable at first death

$$\begin{aligned}
PV &= v^T = v^{\min(T_1, \dots, T_r)} \\
\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mu_{x_1 \dots x_r+t} {}_t p_{x_1 \dots x_r} dt \\
&= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} (\mu_{x_1+t} + \mu_{x_2+t} + \dots + \mu_{x_r+t}) {}_t p_{x_1 \dots x_r} dt
\end{aligned}$$

3. **Temporary assurance** - 1 payable on first death provided it is before time  $n$

$$\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|} = \int_0^n e^{-rt} (\mu_{x_1+t} + \mu_{x_2+t} + \dots + \mu_{x_r+t}) {}_t p_{x_1 \dots x_r} dt$$

4. **Endowment assurance** - 1 payable on first death or at time  $n$ , whichever comes first

$$\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|} = \bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|}^1 + A_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|}$$

**Example:** 1 payable on death of  $x_1$  if everybody else is alive

$$\bar{A}_{x_1 x_2 \dots x_r}^1 = \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mu_{x_1+t} {}_t p_{x_2 \dots x_r} dt$$

Note that  $\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r} = \bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r}^1 + \dots + \bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r}^r$ .

**Example:** 1 payable on death of  $x_1$  if everybody else is alive and it happens within  $n$  years

$$\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r: \overline{n}|}^1 = \int_0^n e^{-rt} \mu_{x_1+t} {}_t p_{x_2 \dots x_r} dt$$

Note:  $\bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r : \overline{n}} = \bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r : \overline{n}}^1 + \bar{A}_{x_1 \dots x_r : \overline{n}}^1$ .

**Example:** Annuity payable if everybody is alive and up to time  $n$  ( $n$  can be  $\infty$ )

$$\bar{a}_{x_1 \dots x_r : \overline{n}} = \int_0^n e^{-rt} {}_t p_{x_1 \dots x_r} dt$$

### 5.3 Last survivor status

More complicated case: we are interested in the time of the last death.

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \max(T_1, T_2, \dots, T_r) \\ P(T \leq t) &= P(\max(T_1, \dots, T_r) \leq t) \\ &= P(T_1 \leq t, T_2 \leq t, \dots, T_r \leq t) \\ &= P(T_1 \leq t)P(T_2 \leq t) \dots P(T_r \leq t) \text{ if independent} \\ {}_t q_{x_1 \dots x_r} &= {}_t q_{x_1} \times {}_t q_{x_2} \times \dots \times {}_t q_{x_r} \\ &= (1 - {}_t p_{x_1})(1 - {}_t p_{x_2}) \dots (1 - {}_t p_{x_r}) \\ &= 1 - {}_t p_{\overline{x_1 \dots x_r}} \end{aligned}$$

where  ${}_t p_{\overline{x_1 \dots x_r}}$  = prob. of at least one surviving.

**Example:** Annuity payable up to the last death

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{\overline{x_1 \dots x_r}} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} {}_t p_{\overline{x_1 \dots x_r}} dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} (1 - (1 - {}_t p_{x_1})(1 - {}_t p_{x_2}) \dots (1 - {}_t p_{x_r})) dt \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Pure endowment - 1 payable at time  $n$  if at least one life is alive

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV} &= v^n \mathbf{1}_{\{\max(T_1 \dots T_r) > n\}} = v^n [1 - \mathbf{1}_{\{\max(T_1 \dots T_r) \leq n\}}] \\ \text{Expected value} &= v^n [1 - {}_n q_{x_1} \times {}_n q_{x_2} \times \dots \times {}_n q_{x_r}] \\ \text{For 2 lives,} & \quad v^n [1 - {}_n q_x \times {}_n q_y] \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** (Not typical) 2 lives,  $x$  and  $y$ . 1 is payable on the second death of  $x$  and  $y$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}_{\overline{xy}} &= E[e^{-r(T_x \vee T_y)}] \\ &= E[e^{-r(T_x \vee T_y)} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > T_y\}} + e^{-r(T_x \vee T_y)} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_y > T_x\}}] \\ &= E[e^{-rT_x} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_x > T_y\}}] + E[e^{-rT_y} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_y > T_x\}}] \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} {}_t p_x \mu_{x+t} (1 - {}_t p_y) dt + \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} {}_t p_y \mu_{y+t} (1 - {}_t p_x) dt \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we also have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}_{\overline{xy}} &= \bar{A}_x + \bar{A}_y - \bar{A}_{xy} \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mu_{x+t} {}_t p_x dt + \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mu_{y+t} {}_t p_y dt - \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} {}_t p_x {}_t p_y (\mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t}) dt \end{aligned}$$

Suppose we have continuous premiums as long as both are alive, then

$$\pi = \frac{\bar{A}_{\overline{xy}}}{\bar{a}_{xy}}$$

If payable as long as somebody is alive,

$$\pi = \frac{\bar{A}_{\overline{xy}}}{\bar{a}_{\overline{xy}}}$$

and we have the following relationships

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{a}_x + \bar{a}_y &= \bar{a}_{\overline{xy}} + \bar{a}_{xy} \\ \bar{a}_{\overline{xy}} &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt}(1 - {}_tq_{xt}q_{yt})dt\end{aligned}$$

If the contract finishes at time  $n$ ,

$$\pi = \frac{\bar{A}_{\overline{xy:n}}}{\bar{a}_{\overline{xy:n}}}$$

**Example:** (Most common contract) 1 payable on the first death provided it happens before time  $n$ . Premium payable as long as they are both alive up to time  $n$ .

$$\pi = \frac{\bar{A}_{\overline{xy:n}}}{\bar{a}_{\overline{xy:n}}}$$

## 5.4 Some conditional probabilities

1. In the previous contract, the amount was paid before time  $n$ . What is the probability that  $y$  got the money ( $x$  died first)?

$$\begin{aligned}P(T_y > T_x | \min(T_x, T_y) \leq n) &= \frac{P(T_y > T_x, \min(T_x, T_y) \leq n)}{P(\min(T_x, T_y) \leq n)} \\ &= \frac{P(T_y > T_x, T_x \leq n)}{1 - {}_np_x{}_np_y} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - {}_np_x{}_np_y} E \left[ \int_0^n \mathbf{1}_{\{T_y > t\}} {}_tp_x \mu_{x+t} dt \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - {}_np_x{}_np_y} \int_0^n {}_tp_x {}_tp_y \mu_{x+t} dt\end{aligned}$$

2. Somebody died at time  $t$  (exactly), and (s)he has died first. What is the probability that it was  $x$  that died?

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(T_x \in [t, t+dt), T_y > t)}{P(T_x \wedge T_y \in [t, t+dt))} &= \lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(T_x \in [t, t+dt))P(T_y > t)}{P(T_x \in [t, t+dt))P(T_y > t) + P(T_y \in [t, t+dt))P(T_x > t)} \\ &= \frac{{}_tp_x \mu_{x+t} dt {}_tp_y}{{}_tp_x \mu_{x+t} dt {}_tp_y + {}_tp_y \mu_{y+t} dt {}_tp_x} \\ &= \frac{\mu_{x+t}}{\mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t}}\end{aligned}$$

This extends to  $m$  lives: If we know the time of the first death is  $t$ , the probability that it is life  $j, j = 1, \dots, m$  is  $\frac{\mu_{x_j+t}}{\sum_{i=1}^m \mu_{x_i+t}}$ .

## 5.5 More examples

**Example:** Deferred annuities - On the death of  $x$ ,  $y$  gets a life annuity.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{PV} &= T_x | \bar{a}_{T_y} | \mathbf{1}_{\{T_y > T_x\}} \\
 \text{Expected value} &= {}_x | \bar{a}_y \\
 &= E \left[ \int_{T_x}^{T_y} e^{-rt} dt \mathbf{1}_{\{T_y > T_x\}} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \int_0^\infty \mathbf{1}_{\{y \text{ is alive and } x \text{ is dead at time } t\}} e^{-rt} dt \right] \\
 &= \int_0^\infty {}_t p_y (1 - {}_t p_x) e^{-rt} dt \\
 &= \bar{a}_y - \bar{a}_{xy}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** On the first death, the survivor gets a life annuity

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}_x | \bar{a}_y + {}_y | \bar{a}_x &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mathbf{1}_{\{\text{exactly one is alive}\}} dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} [{}_t p_y (1 - {}_t p_x) + {}_t p_x (1 - {}_t p_y)] dt \\
 &= \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} [1 - {}_t p_x {}_t p_y - {}_t q_x {}_t q_y] dt
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Two lives, 1 payable on second death provided this occurs before time  $n$ . There will be 3 (4) reserves.

- $V_0(t) = 0$ : Reserve if both dead
- $V_x(t)$ : Reserve to be set up if only  $x$  is alive
- $V_y(t)$ : Reserve if only  $y$  is alive
- $V_{xy}(t)$ : Reserve if both are alive

Assume premium is payable continuously as long as both are alive (till time  $n$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{xy}(t) &= E[\text{PV of future payments - benefits} | \text{both are alive}] \\
 &= \bar{A}_{\overline{x+t, y+t: n-t}|} - \pi \bar{a}_{\overline{x+t, y+t: n-t}|} \\
 V_x(t) &= E[\text{PV of future payments - benefits} | \text{only } x \text{ is alive}] \\
 &= \bar{A}_{\overline{x+t: n-t}|} \\
 V_y(t) &= E[\text{PV of future payments - benefits} | \text{only } y \text{ is alive}] \\
 &= \bar{A}_{\overline{y+t: n-t}|} \\
 \pi &= \frac{\bar{A}_{\overline{xy: n}|}}{\bar{a}_{\overline{xy: n}|}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$V_{xy}(t)$  is thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{xy}(t) &= \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} {}_{s-t} p_{x+t} \mu_{x+s} (1 - {}_{s-t} p_{y+t}) ds + \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} {}_{s-t} p_{y+t} \mu_{y+t} {}_{s-t} q_{x+t} ds \\
 &\quad - \pi \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} {}_{s-t} p_{x+t} {}_{s-t} p_{y+t} ds \\
 V_{xy}(n) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

and we can compute the derivative

$$V'_{xy}(t)|_{t=n} = 0 + 0 + \pi > 0$$

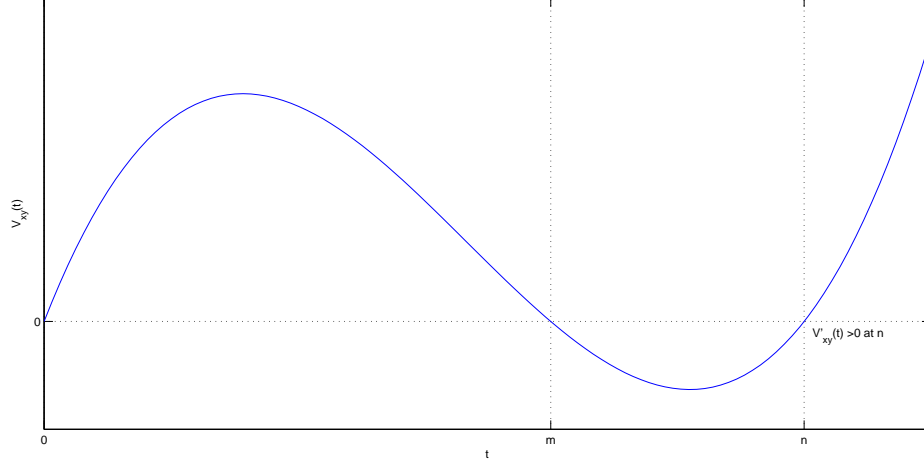


Figure 3: Graph of  $V_{xy}(t)$ , reserve when both are alive

Hence,  $V_{xy}(t)$  is increasing for values just before  $n$ . This implies that  $V_{xy}(t) < 0$  for some  $m < n$ . But we are not allowed to have negative reserves, so when this happens, the usual remedy is to have the premium payable up to a time  $n_1 < n$  instead of being payable till time  $n$ . In which case we will have

$$V'_{xy}(t) = rV_{xy}(t) + \pi \mathbf{1}_{\{t < m\}} - \mu_{x+t}(V_y(t) - V_{xy}(t)) - \mu_{y+t}(V_x(t) - V_{xy}(t))$$

If  $n = \infty$ , we do not necessarily have a problem.

## 6 Markov Chains

Let  $X(t)$ , the state at time  $t$ , be a stochastic process that takes values from a finite set  $\{1, 2, \dots, K\}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .  $X(t)$  is a Markov process,  $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_n < t_{n+1}$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(X(t_{n+1}) = j | X(t_n) = j_n, X(t_{n-1}) = j_{n-1}, \dots, X(t_0) = j_0) &= P(X(t_{n+1}) = j | X(t_n) = j_n) \\ \mathcal{F}_t &= \sigma\{X(s) : 0 \leq s \leq t\} \\ P(X(t_{n+1}) = j | \mathcal{F}_{t_n}) &= P(X(t_{n+1}) = j | X_{t_n}) \end{aligned}$$

Also, conditionally on the present, the past and the future are independent:

$$P(X(t_3) = j_3, X(t_1) = j_1 | X(t_2) = j_2) = P(X(t_3) = j_3 | X(t_2) = j_2) P(X(t_1) = j_1 | X(t_2) = j_2)$$

**Definitions:**

- For small  $h$ ,

$$P(X(t+h) = j | X(t) = i) = \mu_{ij}(t)h + o(h), \quad i \neq j$$



- $P(\text{Two or more transitions in } [t, t+h]) = o(h)$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} P(X(t+h) = i | X(t) = i) &= 1 - \sum_{j \neq i}^K \mu_{ij}(t)h + o(h) \\ &= 1 - \mu_{i.}(t)h + o(h) \end{aligned}$$

- $P(X(u) = j | X(t) = i) = p_{ij}(t, u)$ , for  $t < u$ .

Aside:

$$\mu_{i.}(t) = \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik}(t), \quad \mu_{.j}(t) = \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \mu_{kj}(t)$$

## 6.1 Kolmogorov Backward Equations

Consider what happens in interval  $[t, t+h)$ . For  $t < u$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij}(t, u) &= P(X(u) = j | X(t) = i) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K P(X(u) = j | X(t+h) = k) P(X(t+h) = k | X(t) = i) \\ &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K p_{kj}(t+h, u) [\mu_{ik}(t)h + o(h)] + p_{ij}(t+h, u) [1 - \mu_{i.}(t)h + o(h)] \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{p_{ij}(t, u) - p_{ij}(t+h, u)}{h} = \frac{\sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K p_{kj}(t+h, u) \mu_{ik}(t)h - \mu_{i.}(t)h p_{ij}(t+h, u) + o(h)}{h}$$

Let  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\delta p_{ij}(t, u)}{\delta t} &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K p_{kj}(t) \mu_{ik}(t) - p_{ij}(t) \mu_{i.}(t) \\ \frac{\delta p_{ij}(t, u)}{\delta t} &= p_{ij}(t) \mu_{i.}(t) - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K p_{kj}(t) \mu_{ik}(t) \end{aligned}$$

The Kolmogorov equations for  $i = 1, \dots, K$  to be solved simultaneously subject to the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij}(u, u) &= 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \\ p_{jj}(u, u) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Backward equations: To find the probability that we are in a state  $j$  at the end given we are at various states (all possibilities) at the start.

## 6.2 Kolmogorov Forward Equations

Consider what happens in  $[t, t + h)$ . For  $s < t$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij}(s, t) &= P(X(t) = j | X(s) = i) \\ p_{ij}(s, t + h) &= \sum_{k=1}^K P(X(t + h) = j | X(t) = k) P(X(t) = k | X(s) = i) \\ &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K [\mu_{kj}(t)h + o(h)] p_{ik}(s, t) + (1 - \mu_{.j}(t)h + o(h)) p_{ij}(s, t) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{p_{ij}(s, t + h) - p_{ij}(s, t)}{h} = \frac{\sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \mu_{kj}(t) p_{ik}(s, t) - \mu_{.j}(t) h p_{ij}(s, t) + o(h)}{h}$$

Letting  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\frac{\delta p_{ij}(s, t)}{\delta t} = \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \mu_{kj}(t) p_{ik}(s, t) - \mu_{.j}(t) p_{ij}(s, t)$$

The Kolmogorov forward equations are solved for all possible  $j = 1, 2, \dots, K$  simultaneously, subject to

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij}(s, s) &= 0 \text{ for } j \neq i \\ p_{ii}(s, s) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Forward equations: We know where we are at time  $s$  and we want the probabilities of all possible outcomes at a future time. Quite often,  $s = 0$  and  $p_{ij}(0, t) = p_{ij}(t)$ .

## 6.3 Occupation probabilities

Another interesting probability is the "occupation" probability  $p_{ii}^-(s, t)$ , the probability of staying in state  $i$  from time  $s$  to  $t$ , without having left state  $i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ii}^-(s, t) &= P(X(v) = i, \forall v \in [s, t] | X(s) = i) \\ p_{ii}(s, t) &\geq p_{ii}^-(s, t) \\ p_{ii}^-(s, t + h) &= p_{ii}^-(s, t) p_{ii}^-(t, t + h) \\ &= p_{ii}^-(s, t) p_{ii}(t, t + h) + o(h) \\ &= p_{ii}^-(s, t) (1 - \mu_{i.}(t)h + o(h)) \\ \frac{\delta p_{ii}^-(s, t)}{\delta t} &= -\mu_{i.}(t) p_{ii}^-(s, t) \\ p_{ii}^-(s, s) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$p_{ii}^-(s, t) = e^{-\int_s^t \mu_{i.}(u) du}$$

**Example:** Model of competing risks / Multiple decrement model

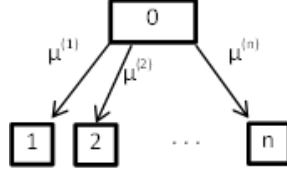


Figure 4: Model of competing risks / Multiple decrement model

Start at 0 and move to  $1, \dots, n$  and stay there. At time 0, we are in state 0.

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{ij}(s, t) &= 0 \text{ for } i \neq 0 \\
 \mu^{(i)}(t) &= \mu_{x+t}^{(i)} \\
 p_0(t) &= P(X(t) = 0) \\
 p_j(t) = p_{0j}(t) &= P(X(t) = j) \text{ for } j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n
 \end{aligned}$$

To find  $p_0(t)$ , we use the forward equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_0(t+h) &= p_0(t) \left( 1 - \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} h \right) + o(h) \\
 p_0(t+h) - p_0(t) &= - \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} h p_0(t) + o(h) \\
 \frac{p_0(t+h) - p_0(t)}{h} &= \frac{- \sum_{j=1}^n \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} h p_0(t) + o(h)}{h} \\
 p_0'(t) &= - \mu_{x+t} p_0(t) \text{ (where } \mu = \sum_{j=1}^n \mu^{(j)})
 \end{aligned}$$

subject to  $p_0(0) = 1$ . Solving this, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_0(t) &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s} ds} \\
 &= e^{-\int_0^t (\mu_{x+s}^{(1)} + \mu_{x+s}^{(2)} + \dots + \mu_{x+s}^{(n)}) ds} \\
 &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s}^{(1)} ds} e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s}^{(2)} ds} \dots e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s}^{(n)} ds}
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_j(t+h) &= p_0(t) \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} h + p_j(t) + o(h) \\
 \frac{p_j(t+h) - p_j(t)}{h} &= \frac{p_0(t) \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} h}{h} + \frac{o(h)}{h} \\
 p_j'(t) &= p_0(t) \mu_{x+t}^{(j)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solving this subject to  $p_j(0) = 0$ , we have

$$p_j(t) = \int_0^t p_0(s) \mu_{x+s}^{(j)} ds$$

Let  $T$  be the time we move out of state 0.

$$\begin{aligned}
P(T > t) &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+s} ds} = p_0(t) \\
\text{Density of } T &= \mu_{x+t} p_0(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_{x+t}^{(i)} p_0(t) \\
&= \lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(T \in [t, t+dt))}{dt}
\end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\lim_{dt \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(T \in [t, t+dt), X(T) = j)}{dt} = \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} p_0(t)$$

So

$$P(X(T) = i | T = t) = \frac{\mu_{x+t}^{(i)}}{\mu_{x+t}}$$

Suppose there is benefit  $b_j$ , payable on transition to state  $j$ .

$$\text{EPV}(\text{benefits}) = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \mu_{x+t}^{(j)} p_0(t) dt$$

**Example:** James Bond insurance

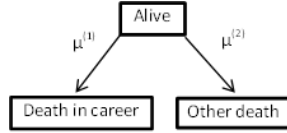


Figure 5: James Bond insurance

Benefit  $b$  for other death,  $2b$  for death in service.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{EPV}(\text{benefits}) &= b \int_0^\infty e^{-rs} p_0(s) \mu_{x+s}^{(2)} ds + 2b \int_0^\infty e^{-rs} p_0(s) \mu_{x+s}^{(1)} ds \\
p_0(t) &= e^{-\int_0^t (\mu_{x+s}^{(1)} + \mu_{x+s}^{(2)}) ds} \\
p_j(t) &= \int_0^t p_0(s) \mu_{x+s}^{(j)} ds
\end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Two lives  $x, y$

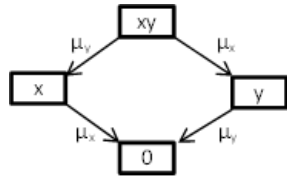


Figure 6: Two lives  $x, y$

We use forward equations to find  $p_{xy}(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} p_{xy}(t+dt) &= p_{xy}(t)[1 - (\mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t})dt] + o(dt) \\ \frac{dp_{xy}(t)}{dt} &= -(\mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t})p_{xy}(t) \\ p_{xy}(t) &= e^{-\int_0^t (\mu_{x+s} + \mu_{y+s})ds} = {}_t p_{xt} p_{yt} \\ p_{xy}(0) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

For  $p_x(t)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_x(t+dt) &= p_x(t)(1 - \mu_{x+t}dt) + p_{xy}(t)\mu_{y+t}dt + o(dt) \\ \frac{p_x(t+dt) - p_x(t)}{dt} &= -\frac{p_x(t)\mu_{x+t}dt}{dt} + \frac{p_{xy}(t)\mu_{y+t}dt}{dt} + \frac{o(dt)}{dt} \\ p'_x(t) &= -\mu_{x+t}p_x(t) + \mu_{y+t}p_{xy}(t) \end{aligned}$$

We need to solve this subject to  $p_x(0) = 0$ . After some calculations, we will obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p_x(t) &= e^{-\int_0^t \mu_{x+u}du} \int_0^t e^{\int_0^s \mu_{x+u}du} \mu_{y+s} p_{xy}(s) ds \\ &= {}_t p_{xt} q_y \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $p_y(t) = {}_t p_{yt} q_x$ . And  $p_0(t) = 1 - p_{xy}(t) - p_x(t) - p_y(t)$ . Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} p_0(t+dt) &= p_{xy}(t)o(dt) + p_x(t)\mu_{x+t}dt + p_y(t)\mu_{y+t}dt + p_0(t) + o(dt) \\ p'_0(t) &= \mu_{x+t}p_x(t) + \mu_{y+t}p_y(t) \end{aligned}$$

Solve subject to  $p_0(0) = 0$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} p_0(t) &= \int_0^t (\mu_{x+s}p_x(s) + \mu_{y+s}p_y(s))ds \\ &= \int_0^t {}_s p_x \mu_{x+s} q_y ds + \int_0^t {}_s p_y \mu_{y+s} q_y ds \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Health-Sickness Model

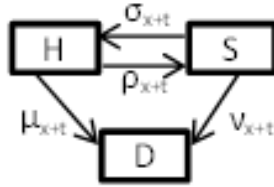


Figure 7: Health-Sickness Model

At time 0, we are in state  $H$  (healthy).  $X(0) = H$  and  $p_H(t) = P(X(t) = H | X(0) = H)$ . (We use  $x+t$  here, but in practice it can depend on  $t$  in other ways). The forward equations are:

$$\begin{aligned} p_H(t+dt) &= p_H(t)(1 - \sigma_{x+t}dt - \mu_{x+t}dt) + p_S(t)\rho_{x+t}dt + o(dt) \\ p'_H(t) &= -(\sigma_{x+t} + \mu_{x+t})p_H(t) + p_S(t)\rho_{x+t} \end{aligned}$$

with  $p_H(0) = 1$ , and

$$p'_S(t) = -(\rho_{x+t} + \nu_{x+t})p_S(t) + p_H(t)\sigma_{x+t}$$

with  $p_S(0) = 0$ . Solve the two equations simultaneously. In special cases, e.g. if  $\sigma_{x+t} = \sigma$ ,  $\rho_{x+t} = \rho$ ,  $\mu_{x+t} = \mu$ ,  $\nu_{x+t} = \nu$ , we can solve them explicitly.

We denote the backward probabilities (for  $t < u$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} p_H^B(t) &= P(X(u) = S | X(t) = H) \\ p_S^B(t) &= P(X(u) = S | X(t) = S) \\ p_D^B(t) &= P(X(u) = S | X(t) = D) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The backward equations are:

$$\begin{aligned} p_H^B(t) &= P(X(u) = S | X(t) = H) \\ &= P(X(u) = S | X(t+dt) = H)(1 - \sigma_{x+t}dt - \mu_{x+t}dt) \\ &\quad + P(X(u) = S | X(t+dt) = S)\sigma_{x+t}dt \\ &= p_H^B(t+dt)(1 - \sigma_{x+t}dt - \mu_{x+t}dt) + p_S^B(t+dt)\sigma_{x+t}dt + o(dt) \\ \frac{p_H^B(t) - p_H^B(t+dt)}{dt} &= -(\sigma_{x+t} + \mu_{x+t})p_H^B(t+dt) + p_S^B(t+dt)\sigma_{x+t} + \frac{o(dt)}{dt} \\ p_H^B(t) &= (\sigma_{x+t} + \mu_{x+t})p_H^B(t) - \sigma_{x+t}p_S^B(t) \end{aligned}$$

and  $p_H^B(u) = 0$ . Similarly, we have for  $p_S^B(t)$

$$p'_S(t) = (\rho_{x+t} + \nu_{x+t})p_S^B(t) - \rho_{x+t}p_H^B(t)$$

and  $p_S^B(u) = 1$ . Solve simultaneously. If we want to find  $P(X(u) = H | X(t) = H)$  and  $P(X(u) = H | X(t) = S)$  we can use the same equations but with terminal conditions  $p_H^B(u) = 1$  and  $p_S^B(u) = 0$ .

Clearly, the value of an annuity payable as long as I am alive is  $\int_0^\infty e^{-rt}(p_H(t) + p_S(t))dt$ . The value of the sickness benefit, a continuous annuity payable while sick is  $\int_0^\infty e^{-rt}p_S(t)dt$ .

Criticisms of this model:

- Recovery does not depend on how long sickness has lasted.
- Recovery does not depend on how many times you have been sick.

## 6.4 Stochastic Process Approach

We define the following stochastic processes.

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) &= \{1, 2, \dots, K\} \\ I_j(t) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X(t) = j \\ 0 & \text{if } X(t) \neq j \end{cases} \\ N_{jk}(t) &= \text{No. of transitions from state } j \text{ to state } k \text{ up to time } t \\ dN_{jk}(t) &= N_{jk}(t+dt) - N_{jk}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X(t+dt) = k, X(t) = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We have the following expectations.

$$\begin{aligned}
E(I_j(t)) &= P(X(t) = j) \\
E(dN_{jk}(t)) &= E(N_{jk}(t+dt) - N_{jk}(t)) \\
&= P(X(t) = j)P(X(t+dt) = k|X(t) = j) \\
&= P(X(t) = j)\mu_{jk}(t)dt + o(dt) \\
E(N_{jk}(t)) &= \int_0^t P(X(s) = j)\mu_{jk}(s)ds
\end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Alive-dead model

$$E(N_{AD}(t)) = \int_0^t {}_s p_x \mu_{x+s} ds = {}_t q_x$$

**Example:** States  $\{1, \dots, K\}$ . Suppose we have continuous payments with rate  $b_j(t)$  made while at state  $j$  at time  $t$ . Discrete payment  $B_{jk}(t)$  on transition from state  $j$  to state  $k$  at time  $t$ . Final payment at time  $n$ :  $A_j$  if then at state  $j$ . Continuous premium  $\pi_j(t)$  in state  $j$  at time  $t$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{PV of benefits} &= \int_0^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^K b_j(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} I_j(t) \right) dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \left( \int_0^n B_{jk}(t) dN_{jk}(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K A_j I_j(n) e^{-\int_0^n r(s) ds} \\
\text{PV of premiums} &= \sum_{j=1}^K \left( \int_0^n \pi_j(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} I_j(t) dt \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Actuarial Principle:  $\text{EPV}(\text{benefits}) = \text{EPV}(\text{premiums})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{EPV}(\text{benefits}) &= \sum_{j=1}^K \left( \int_0^n b_j(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} P(X(t) = j) dt \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \left( \int_0^n B_{jk}(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} P(X(t) = j) \mu_{jk}(t) dt \right) \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K A_j P(X(n) = j) e^{-\int_0^n r(s) ds} \\
\text{EPV}(\text{premiums}) &= \sum_{j=1}^K \left( \int_0^n \pi_j(t) e^{-\int_0^t r(s) ds} P(X(t) = j) dt \right)
\end{aligned}$$

## 6.5 Reserves in the multi-state model

$$\begin{aligned}
W(t) &= \sum_{j=1}^K \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} (b_j(s) - \pi_j(s)) I_j(s) ds + \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} B_{jk} dN_{jk} \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K A_j I_j(n) e^{-r(n-t)} \\
V_i(t) &= E(W(t) | \mathcal{F}_t) = E(W(t) | X(t) = i)
\end{aligned}$$

Reserves at time  $u$  given we are in state  $i$  (for simplicity,  $r(t) = r$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}
V_i(u) &= \sum_{j=1}^K \int_u^n b_j(t) e^{-r(t-u)} P(X(t) = j | X(u) = i) dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^K \int_u^n B_{jk}(t) P(X(t) = j | X(u) = i) \mu_{jk}(u) e^{-r(t-u)} dt \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=1}^K A_j P(X(n) = j | X(u) = i) e^{-r(n-u)} \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^K \int_u^n \pi_j(t) e^{-r(t-u)} P(X(t) = j | X(u) = i) dt
\end{aligned}$$

## 6.6 Thiele's equations for the multi-state model

$$\begin{aligned}
V_i(t+dt) &= V_i(t)(1+rdt) - (b_i(t) - \pi_i(t))dt - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik} dt B_{ik} \\
&\quad - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik} dt V_k(t) + \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik} dt V_i(t) + o(dt) \\
\frac{V_i(t+dt) - V_i(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_i) V_i(t) - \sum_{k=1}^K \mu_{ik} (B_{ik}(t) + V_k(t)) - b_i(t) + \pi_i(t) \\
\frac{dV_i(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_i) V_i(t) - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik} (B_{ik}(t) + V_k(t)) - b_i(t) + \pi_i(t) \\
\frac{dV_i(t)}{dt} &= r V_i(t) - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik} B_{ik}(t) - b_i(t) + \pi_i(t) - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^K \mu_{ik}(t) (V_k(t) - V_i(t))
\end{aligned}$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, K$  such that  $V_i(n-) = A_i$ . If there is no premium upfront,  $V_i(0) = 0$ ,  $\forall i$ .

**Example:** 2 lives aged  $x, y$ . Premium payable in advance. Benefit of 1 payable on second death.



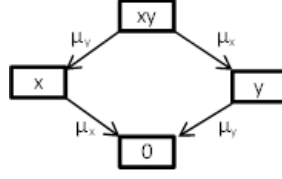


Figure 8: Two lives  $x, y$

Thiele's equations for the reserves:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV_{xy}(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t})V_{xy}(t) - \mu_{x+t}V_y(t) - \mu_{y+t}V_x(t) \\ \frac{dV_x(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t})V_x(t) - \mu_{x+t} \\ \frac{dV_y(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{y+t})V_y(t) - \mu_{y+t}\end{aligned}$$

and the conditions

$$V_{xy}(n) = V_x(n) = V_y(n) = 0, \quad V_{xy}(0) = \pi$$

Suppose there is no premium upfront, but premium is payable continuously while both lives are alive. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV_{xy}(t)}{dt} &= (r + \mu_{x+t} + \mu_{y+t})V_{xy}(t) - \mu_{x+t}V_y(t) - \mu_{y+t}V_x(t) + \pi \\ \pi &= \frac{\bar{A}_{xy}}{\bar{a}_{xy}}\end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Health-Sickness model. A continuous benefit  $b$  is payable as long as the life is sick. Single premium payable upfront. The contract lasts for  $n$  years.

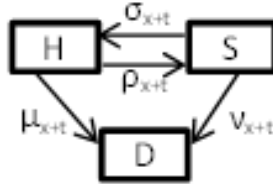


Figure 9: Health-Sickness Model

$$\begin{aligned}V'_H(t) &= rV_H(t) + \mu_{x+t}V_H(t) - \sigma_{x+t}(V_S(t) - V_H(t)) \\ V'_S(t) &= rV_S(t) + \nu_{x+t}V_S(t) - \rho_{x+t}(V_H(t) - V_S(t)) - b\end{aligned}$$

subject to the conditions

$$V_H(n) = 0, \quad V_S(n) = 0$$

Solve and we have  $V_H(0) = \pi$ .

**Example:** Health-Sickness model. Same as above, but instead of a single premium we have a continuous premium  $\pi$  payable while healthy, then

$$\begin{aligned} V'_H(t) &= rV_H(t) + \mu_{x+t}V_H(t) - \sigma_{x+t}(V_S(t) - V_H(t)) + \pi \\ V'_S(t) &= rV_S(t) + \nu_{x+t}V_S(t) - \rho_{x+t}(V_H(t) - V_S(t)) - b \end{aligned}$$

and the conditions

$$V_H(n) = 0, \quad V_S(n) = 0$$

$\pi$  should be such that  $V_H(0) = 0$ . But how do we find  $\pi$ ?

First, we want to find the value of a continuous annuity payable as long as a life is healthy and up to time  $n$  (this can be viewed as a continuous benefit of 1 payable as long as healthy). In order to find that, we solve:

$$\begin{aligned} W'_H(t) &= rW_H(t) + \mu_{x+t}W_H(t) - \sigma_{x+t}(W_S(t) - W_H(t)) - 1 \\ W'_S(t) &= rW_S(t) + \nu_{x+t}W_S(t) - \rho_{x+t}(W_H(t) - W_S(t)) \end{aligned}$$

subject to the conditions

$$W_H(n) = 0, \quad W_S(n) = 0$$

$W_H(0)$  will be the value of this annuity (by the Principle of equivalence).

Now, consider the single premium model as in the previous example:

$$\begin{aligned} U'_H(t) &= rU_H(t) + \mu_{x+t}U_H(t) - \sigma_{x+t}(U_S(t) - U_H(t)) \\ U'_S(t) &= rU_S(t) + \nu_{x+t}U_S(t) - \rho_{x+t}(U_H(t) - U_S(t)) - b \end{aligned}$$

subject to the conditions

$$U_H(n) = 0, \quad U_S(n) = 0$$

By the Principle of equivalence,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi W_H(0) &= U_H(0) \\ \pi &= \frac{U_H(0)}{W_H(0)} \end{aligned}$$

Then we substitute  $\pi$  into the differential equations for  $V_H(t)$ ,  $V_S(t)$  and solve to find the reserves. Check to see if  $V_H(0) = 0$ .

## 7 Higher Moments

We have

- $W(t)$  is a stochastic process.
- $V_i(t) = E(W(t)|\mathcal{F}_t) = E(W(t)|X(t) = i)$ .
- $V_i^{(2)}(t) = E(W^2(t)|X(t) = i)$ , which will lead to  $Var(W(t)|X(t) = i)$ .

**Example:** Life-Death Model - Continuous benefit  $b$  payable as long as alive until time  $n$ , one off payment  $B$  at time of death, and  $C$  at time  $n$  if alive.

$$W(t) = \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} b I_s ds + \int_t^n e^{-r(s-t)} B dN_s + C e^{-r(n-t)} I_n$$

Let  $T_{x+t}$  be the remaining lifetime. So

$$W(t) = b\bar{a}_{\overline{T_{x+t} \wedge n}} + Be^{-rT_{x+t}} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_{x+t} < n\}} + Ce^{-r(n-t)} \mathbf{1}_{\{T_{x+t} > n\}}$$

$$\text{Second moment} = \int_0^\infty \left( b \frac{1 - e^{-r(s \wedge n)}}{r} + e^{-rs} B \mathbf{1}_{\{s < n\}} + Ce^{-r(n-t)} \mathbf{1}_{\{s > n\}} \right)^2 {}_s p_{x+t} \mu_{x+t+s} ds$$

Alternatively, we can use differential equations.

The first moment:

$$\begin{aligned} W(t) &= e^{-r dt} W(t+dt) + b(t)dt + (B(t) - W(t+dt))dN_t \\ V(t) &= E(W(t)|\mathcal{F}_t) \\ &= (1 - r dt)V(t+dt) + b(t)dt + (B(t) - V(t+dt))\mu_{x+t}dt \\ \frac{dV^{(1)}(t)}{dt} &= rV^{(1)}(t) - b(t) - (B(t) - V^{(1)}(t))\mu_{x+t} \end{aligned}$$

such that  $V^{(1)}(n) = C$ .

The second moment:

$$\begin{aligned} W^2(t) &= [W(t+dt) - r dt W(t+dt) + b(t)dt + (B(t) - W(t+dt))dN_t]^2 \\ &= W^2(t+dt) - 2r dt W^2(t+dt) + 2b(t)dt W(t+dt) + 2W(t+dt)(B(t) - W(t+dt))dN_t \\ &\quad + (B(t) - W(t+dt))^2 dN_t + o(dt) \\ V^{(2)}(t) &= E(W^2(t)|\mathcal{F}_t) \\ &= V^{(2)}(t+dt) - 2r V^{(2)}(t+dt) + 2b(t)V^{(1)}(t+dt) + (2B(t)V^{(1)}(t+dt) - 2V^{(2)}(t+dt))\mu_{x+t}dt \\ &\quad + (B(t)^2 - 2B(t)V^{(1)}(t+dt) + V^{(2)}(t+dt))\mu_{x+t}dt + o(dt) \\ &= V^{(2)}(t+dt) - 2r dt V^{(2)}(t+dt) + 2b(t)V^{(1)}(t+dt) + (B(t)^2 - V^{(2)}(t+dt))\mu_{x+t}dt \\ \frac{dV^{(2)}(t)}{dt} &= 2rV^{(2)}(t) - 2b(t)V^{(1)}(t) - (B^2(t) - V^{(2)}(t))\mu_{x+t} \end{aligned}$$

such that  $V^{(2)}(n) = C^2$ . Note that we have to solve  $V^{(1)}(t)$  first. In MAPLE, we solve simultaneously (1) and (2).  $V^{(2)}(0) - (V^{(1)}(0))^2$  is the variance of the contract.

**Example:** A more general case

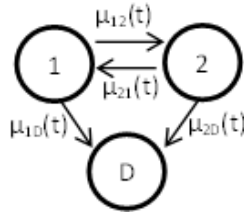


Figure 10: 3 state model

$$\begin{aligned} W(t) &= \int_t^n \left( e^{-r(s-t)} b_1 I_1(s) ds + e^{-r(s-t)} b_2 I_2(s) ds + B_{12} e^{-r(s-t)} dN_{12}(s) + B_{21} e^{-r(s-t)} dN_{21}(s) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + B_{1D} e^{-r(s-t)} dN_{1D}(s) + B_{2D} e^{-r(s-t)} dN_{2D}(s) \right) + C_1 e^{-r(n-s)} I_1(n) + C_2 e^{-r(n-t)} I_2(n) \end{aligned}$$

We denote  $W_1(t) = W(t) | \text{state 1 at } t$ ,  $W_2(t) = W(t) | \text{state 2 at } t$ .

Thiele's equations for the first moments:

$$\begin{aligned}
W_1(t) &= (1 - rdt)W_1(t + dt) + b_1dt + (B_{12} + W_2(t + dt) - W_1(t + dt))dN_{12}(t) \\
&\quad + (B_{1D} - W_1(t + dt))dN_{1D}(t) \\
V_1^{(1)}(t) &= (1 - rdt)V_1^{(1)}(t + dt) + b_1dt + \left(B_{12} + V_2^{(1)}(t + dt) - V_1^{(1)}(t + dt)\right)\mu_{12}(t)dt \\
&\quad + \left(B_{1D} - V_1^{(1)}(t + dt)\right)\mu_{1D}(t)dt \\
\frac{dV_1^{(1)}(t)}{dt} &= rV_1^{(1)}(t) - b_1 - \mu_{12}(t)\left(B_{12} + V_2^{(1)}(t) - V_1^{(1)}(t)\right) - \mu_{1D}(t)\left(B_{1D} - V_1^{(1)}(t)\right)
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{dV_2^{(1)}(t)}{dt} = rV_2^{(1)}(t) - b_2 - \mu_{21}(t)\left(B_{21} + V_1^{(1)}(t) - V_2^{(1)}(t)\right) - \mu_{2D}(t)\left(B_{2D} - V_2^{(1)}(t)\right)$$

Solve subject to  $V_1(n) = C_1$ ,  $V_2(n) = C_2$ .

To get the second moments,

$$\begin{aligned}
W_1^2(t) &= (1 - rdt)^2W_1^2(t + dt) + (B_{12} + W_2(t + dt) - W_1(t + dt))^2dN_{12}(t) + 2b_1dtW_1(t + dt) \\
&\quad + (B_{1D} - W_1(t + dt))dt^2dN_{1D}(t) + 2(B_{12} + W_2(t + dt) - W_1(t + dt))W_1(t + dt)dN_{12}(t) \\
&\quad + 2(B_{1D} - W_1(t + dt))W_1(t + dt)dN_{1D}(t) + o(dt) \\
V_1^{(2)}(t) &= V_1^{(2)}(t + dt) - 2rV_1^{(2)}(t + dt)dt + \left(B_{1D}^2 - V_1^{(2)}(t + dt)\right)\mu_{1D}(t)dt \\
&\quad + \left(B_{12}^2 + 2B_{12}V_2^{(1)}(t + dt) + V_2^{(2)}(t + dt) - V_1^{(2)}(t + dt)\right)\mu_{12}(t)dt \\
&\quad + 2b_1V_1^{(1)}(t + dt)dt \\
\frac{dV_1^{(2)}(t)}{dt} &= 2rV_1^{(2)}(t) - \left(B_{1D}^2 - V_1^{(2)}(t)\right)\mu_{1D}(t) \\
&\quad - \left(B_{12}^2 + 2B_{12}V_2^{(1)}(t) + V_2^{(2)}(t) - V_1^{(2)}(t)\right)\mu_{12}(t) - 2b_1V_1^{(1)}(t)
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dV_2^{(2)}(t)}{dt} &= 2rV_2^{(2)}(t) - \left(B_{2D}^2 - V_2^{(2)}(t)\right)\mu_{2D}(t) \\
&\quad - \left(B_{21}^2 + 2B_{21}V_1^{(1)}(t) + V_1^{(2)}(t) - V_2^{(2)}(t)\right)\mu_{21}(t) - 2b_2V_2^{(1)}(t)
\end{aligned}$$

Solve subject to  $V_1^{(1)}(n) = C_1$ ,  $V_1^{(2)}(n) = C_1^2$ ,  $V_2^{(1)}(n) = C_2$ ,  $V_2^{(2)}(n) = C_2^2$ .

## 8 Safety Margins

Principle of Equivalence:  $EPV(\text{benefits}) = EPV(\text{premiums})$ .

However, to make a profit, a safety margin is included so that premiums charged are higher than that implied by the principle of equivalence.

**Example:** Consider a one year temporary assurance, where benefit  $b$  is payable at the end of 1 year if life is dead.

$$EPV(benefit) = e^{-r}bq_x$$

and the single premium is  $e^{-r}bq_x(1 + \theta)$  where  $\theta > 0$  is the loading factor. Suppose we have 10000 such policies, independent of each other.

$$\begin{aligned} E(profits) &= 10000 (e^{-r}bq_x(1 + \theta) - e^{-r}bq_x) \\ &\quad 10000\theta e^{-r}bq_x \\ E(profits^2) &= 10000b^2\theta^2 e^{-2r}q_x \\ Var(profits) &= 10000^2 b^2 \theta^2 e^{-2r} q_x p_x \end{aligned}$$

By the Central limit theorem, the profits

$$Z \sim \mathcal{N}(10000\theta e^{-r}bq_x, 10000b^2\theta^2 e^{-2r}q_x p_x)$$

So we have

$$P(loss) = \Psi\left(\frac{-10000\theta e^{-r}bq_x}{100b\theta e^{-r}\sqrt{q_x p_x}}\right) \approx 0$$

This is especially so if there is a large number of policies.