



# Ratemaking and Experience Rating

## Master on Actuarial Science

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Let  $X$  be a given risk in a portfolio, with Pure Premium  $E(X)$ , unknown:

- If the risk is has been sufficiently observed

$$E(X) \simeq \bar{X} \quad (\text{Full Credibility})$$

- If not, use *Partial Credibility*, **Credibility Formula**:

$$E(X) \simeq z\bar{X} + (1-z)M$$

$$z = \frac{n}{n+k}$$

- Credibility factor:  $z$ ,  $0 \leq z < 1$
- $n$ : No. observations;  $k$ : some positive constant
- $M$ : Externally obtained mean (*Manual rate*).



















### Example (Ex. 20.11)

Let  $X|\theta \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$  and

$\Theta \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \Rightarrow X \sim \text{NBinomial}(\alpha, \beta)$

$$E(X|\theta) = \theta \Rightarrow$$

$$E(X) = E(E(X|\Theta)) = E(\Theta) = \alpha\beta$$

$$V(X|\theta) = \theta \Rightarrow$$

$$V(X) = V(E(X|\Theta)) + E(V(X|\Theta)) = \alpha\beta(1 + \beta)$$

### Example (Ex. 20.10)

Let  $X|\theta \sim \exp(1/\theta)$ , mean  $1/\theta$ , and  $\Theta \sim \text{Gamma}(4, 0.001)$ .

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, \quad x, \theta > 0$$

$$\pi(\theta) = \theta^3 e^{-1000\theta} 1000^4 / 6, \quad \theta > 0$$







## Hypothesis

**H1** Given  $\theta$ ,  $X_1|\theta, X_2|\theta, \dots, X_n|\theta, X_{n+1}|\theta$  are (conditionally) independent.

$\theta$  is realization of a random variable:  $\Theta \sim \pi(\theta)$

**H2** The different risks in the portfolio are independent.

Premium for the next year:

- **Risk Premium:**  $E(X_{n+1}|\theta) = \mu_{n+1}(\theta)$ . Unknown.
- **Collective Premium:**  $E(E(X_{n+1}|\theta)) = \mu_{n+1}$ . In general  $\mu_{n+1}(\theta) \neq \mu_{n+1}$
- **Bayesian premium** (mean of the predictive dist. and Bayes estimate for the *squared-error loss*):

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_{n+1}|\mathbf{X}) &= \int x f_{X_{n+1}|\mathbf{X}}(x|\mathbf{x}) dx \\ &= \int \mu_{n+1}(\theta) \pi_{\Theta|\mathbf{X}}(\theta|\mathbf{x}) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

## Some Basic concepts:

$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ ; **Predictive distribution:**  $f_{X_{n+1}|\mathbf{X}}(x|\mathbf{x})$ ; **Prior distr.:**  $\pi_{\Theta}(\theta)$ ; and **Posterior dist.:**  $\pi_{\Theta|\mathbf{X}}(\theta|\mathbf{x})$

- Posterior dist.:

$$\pi_{\Theta|\mathbf{X}}(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{f_{\Theta, \mathbf{X}}(\theta, \mathbf{x})}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}|\Theta}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta)}{\int f_{\mathbf{X}|\Theta}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta)d\theta}$$

- Predictive dist.:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X_{n+1}|\mathbf{X}}(x|\mathbf{x})dx &= \frac{f_{X_{n+1}; \mathbf{X}}(x; \mathbf{x})}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{\int f_{X_{n+1}, \mathbf{X}|\Theta}(x, \mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi_{\Theta}(\theta)d\theta}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})} \\ &= \int f_{X_{n+1}|\Theta}(x|\theta) \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}|\Theta}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi_{\Theta}(\theta)d\theta}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x})} \\ &= \int f_{X_{n+1}|\Theta}(x|\theta)\pi_{\Theta|\mathbf{X}}(\theta|\mathbf{x})d\theta \end{aligned}$$









# Bühlmann's model

## Initial hypothesis

- 1 Given  $\theta$ ,  $X_1|\theta, X_2|\theta, \dots, X_n|\theta, X_{n+1}|\theta$  are (conditionally) independent.  
 $\theta$  is realization of a random variable:  $\Theta \sim \pi(\theta)$
- 2 The different risks in the portfolio are independent.

## Addition to H1

- 1 Given  $\theta$ ,  $X_1|\theta, X_2|\theta, \dots, X_n|\theta, X_{n+1}|\theta$  have the same mean and variance:

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(\theta) &= E(X_j|\theta) \\ v(\theta) &= \text{Var}(X_j|\theta).\end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\mu = E[\mu(\theta)], v = E[v(\theta)], a = \text{Var}[\mu(\theta)]$$



## Solution:

$$\widetilde{\mu}_{n+1}(\theta) = \tilde{\alpha}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\alpha}_j X_j = z\bar{X} + (1-z)\mu$$

$$z = \frac{n}{n+k}$$

$$k = v/a$$



- ①  $z$ : called Bühlmann's credibility factor
- ② Credibility premium is a weighted average from  $\bar{X}$  and  $\mu$ .
- ③  $z \rightarrow 1$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , more credit to sample mean
- ④ If portfolio is fairly homogeneous w.r.t.  $\Theta$ , then  $\mu(\Theta)$  does not vary much, hence small variability.  
Thus  $a$  is small relative to  $v \rightarrow k$  is large,  $z$  is closer to 0
- ⑤ Conversely, if the portfolio is heterogeneous,  $z$  is closer to 1
- ⑥ Bühlmann's model is the simplest credibility model, no change over time

## Proof

Estimator proposed for given risk, say  $j$ :  $\hat{m}_j = \alpha + \beta \bar{X}_j$ , so that

$$\min R = \min E \left[ (\mu(\theta_j) - \hat{m}_j)^2 \right] = \min E \left[ (\mu(\theta_j) - \alpha - \beta \bar{X}_j)^2 \right].$$

Set

$$E \left[ ((\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j) - \alpha)^2 \right] = V[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j] + (E[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j] - \alpha)^2$$

Minimizing  $\alpha$ , such that:

$$\alpha^* = E[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta^* \bar{X}_j] = E[\mu(\theta_j)] - \beta^* E[\bar{X}_j].$$

$$\alpha^* = (1 - \beta^*) E[\mu(\theta_j)], \text{ since}$$

$$E[\bar{X}_j] = E[E[\bar{X}_j | \theta_j]] = E[\mu(\theta_j)]$$



## Proof (cont'd)

2nd part

$$\begin{aligned}V[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j] &= E[V[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j | \theta_j]] + V[E[\mu(\theta_j) - \beta \bar{X}_j | \theta_j]] \\ &= \frac{\beta^2}{n} E[v(\theta)] + (1 - \beta)^2 V[\mu(\theta_j)]. \\ &= \frac{\beta^2}{n} v + (1 - \beta)^2 a. \\ V[\bar{X}_j | \theta_j] &= \frac{1}{n} V[X_{ij} | \theta_j]\end{aligned}$$

Differentiating w.r.t.  $\beta$  and equating,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2\beta}{n} v - 2(1 - \beta)a &= 0, \\ \beta^* &= \frac{a}{a + \frac{1}{n}v} = \frac{n}{n + v/a}\end{aligned}$$



## Theorem

Let  $P_{C,n+1}$  denote Bühlmann's credibility premium for year  $n + 1$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , based on the  $n$  previous annual observations.  $P_{C,n+1}$  can be recursively calculated as the weighted average

$$P_{C,n+1} = \alpha_n X_n + (1 - \alpha_n) P_{C,n},$$

with weight  $\alpha_n = z/n$ , where  $z$  is Bühlmann's credibility factor.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{C,n+1} &= \frac{1}{n+k} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} X_i + X_n \right) + \frac{k}{n+k} \mu \\ &= \frac{1}{n+k} X_n + \frac{n-1+k}{n+k} \left( \frac{n-1}{n-1+k} \bar{X}_{n-1} + \frac{k}{n-1+k} \mu \right) \\ &= \alpha_n X_n + (1 - \alpha_n) P_{C,n}. \end{aligned}$$





# Bühlmann-Straub's model

## Bühlmann's H1 is changed:

- Given  $\theta$ ,  $X_1|\theta, X_2|\theta, \dots, X_n|\theta, X_{n+1}|\theta$  have the same mean, variance:

$$\begin{aligned}E(X_j|\theta) &= \mu(\theta) \text{ (same)} \\ \text{Var}(X_j|\theta) &= \frac{v(\theta)}{m_j}.\end{aligned}$$

- $m_j$  is some known constant measuring exposure
- Ex: group insurance where its size changes
- Initially, the model was first presented for reinsurance.
- $\text{Var}(X_j) = E[\text{Var}(X_j|\theta)] + \text{Var}[E(X_j|\theta)] = \frac{v}{m_j} + a$

## Solution:

$$P_c = \tilde{\alpha}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{\alpha}_j X_j = z\bar{X} + (1-z)\mu$$

$$z = \frac{m}{m+k} \quad k = v/a$$

$$\bar{X} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{m_j}{m} X_j \quad m = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j \text{ (total exposure)}$$

Obs.:

- Factor  $z$  depends on  $m$  (total exposure)
- $\bar{X}$  is a weighted average,  $m_j/m$  is the weight
- $m_j X_j$  is the total loss of the group in year  $j$
- (Total) Credibility premium for the group, next year:

$$m_{n+1} [z\bar{X} + (1-z)\mu]$$

## Example (Ex.20.19)

$N_j$ : No. of claims in year  $j$  for a group policy holder with risk parameter  $\theta$  and  $m_j$  individuals.  $N_j \sim \text{Poisson}(m_j\theta)$ . Let  $X_j = N_j/m_j$ .  $\Theta \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$ .

$$\mathbb{E}(X_j|\theta) = \mu(\theta) = \theta; \quad \mathbb{V}(X_j|\theta) = \mathbb{V}(N_j/m_j|\theta) = \frac{v(\theta)}{m_j} = \frac{\theta}{m_j}$$

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(\Theta) = \alpha\beta; \quad a = \mathbb{V}(\Theta) = \alpha\beta^2; \quad v = \mathbb{E}(\Theta) = \alpha\beta.$$

$$k = v/a = 1/\beta; \quad z = \frac{m\beta}{m\beta + 1}$$

$$P_c = \frac{m\beta}{m\beta + 1} \bar{X} + \frac{1}{m\beta + 1} \alpha\beta$$



## Example (Ex.20.19)

$N_j$ : No. of claims in year  $j$  for a group policy holder with risk parameter  $\theta$  and  $m_j$  individuals,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .  $N_j \sim \text{Poisson}(m_j\theta)$ . Let  $X_j = N_j/m_j$ .  $\Theta \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$ . Bayesian premium (mean of the predictive dist.):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}|\mathbf{X}) &= \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X_{n+1}(\theta)|\theta, \mathbf{X})) = \mathbb{E}(\mu_{n+1}(\theta)|\mathbf{X}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(\theta|\mathbf{X})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr[N_j = n|\theta] &= \Pr[X_j m_j = n|\theta] = \Pr[X_j = n/m_j|\theta], \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \\ &= (m_j\theta)^n e^{-m_j\theta} / n!; \quad \pi(\theta) = \frac{\theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha}\end{aligned}$$

$$\pi_{\Theta|\mathbf{X}}(\theta|\mathbf{x}) \propto \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i|\theta}(x_i|\theta) \right] \pi(\theta);$$

$$f_{X_j|\theta}(x_j|\theta) = \Pr[X_j = x|\theta]$$



- Recap Credibility Premium,

$$\widetilde{\mu}_{n+1}(\theta): \min \left\{ Q = E \left\{ \left[ \mu_{n+1}(\theta) - \left( \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j X_j \right) \right]^2 \right\} \right\} .$$

- Now, don't impose a linear estimator. Let  $m(\mathbf{X})$ , some function of  $\mathbf{X}$ , and find estimator  $m^*(\mathbf{X})$  such that:

$$\min \left( E \left\{ [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) - m(\mathbf{X})]^2 \right\} = E \left[ E \left\{ [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) - m(\mathbf{X})]^2 | \mathbf{X} \right\} \right] \right) ,$$

$$\text{or minimize } E \left\{ [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) - m(\mathbf{X})]^2 | \mathbf{X} \right\} =$$

$$= V [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) | \mathbf{X}] + (E [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) | \mathbf{X}] - m(\mathbf{X}))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow m^*(\mathbf{X}) = E [\mu_{n+1}(\theta) | \mathbf{X}]$$

**Bayes estimator**, relative to Square Loss function and prior  $\pi(\theta)$ .



**Exact Credibility:** When  $\widetilde{\mu}_{n+1}(\theta) = m^*(\mathbf{X}) = E[\mu_{n+1}(\theta) | \mathbf{X}]$ , i.e.,  
**Credibility Premium = Bayesian Premium.**

## Stronger Bühlmann's H1

Change Bühlmann's **H1**, in addition, to:

**H1:**  $f_{X_j}(\cdot | \theta) = f_X(\cdot | \theta)$ ,  $\forall j = 1, \dots, n, n+1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\mu(\theta) | \mathbf{X}] &= \int \mu(\theta) \pi(\theta | \mathbf{x}) d\theta = \int \mu(\theta) \frac{f(\theta, \mathbf{x})}{f(\mathbf{x})} d\theta \\
 &= \int \mu(\theta) \frac{f(\mathbf{x} | \theta) \pi(\theta)}{\int f(\mathbf{x} | \theta) \pi(\theta)} d\theta = \frac{\int \mu(\theta) \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_j | \theta) \pi(\theta) d\theta}{\int_{\Theta} \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_j | \theta) \pi(\theta) d\theta} \\
 &= \frac{\int \mu(\theta) L(\theta) \pi(\theta) d\theta}{\int_{\Theta} L(\theta) \pi(\theta) d\theta}; \\
 \pi(\theta | \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{L(\theta) \pi(\theta)}{\int_{\Theta} L(\theta) \pi(\theta) d\theta}
 \end{aligned}$$





### Example (Norberg [1979])

For a given risk  $X|\theta \sim \text{Bin}(1; \theta)$ ,  $\Theta \sim U(\alpha, \beta)$ , obs'd for 10 yrs, 20 risks.  $\bar{X} = 0.0145$ ,  $\mu_{n+1}(\theta) = \mu(\theta) = \theta$ .

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta^x(1-\theta)^{1-x}, \quad x = 0, 1; \quad 0 < \theta < 1.$$

$$\pi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}, \quad 0 < \alpha < \theta < \beta < 1 \quad (\beta > \alpha)$$

$$m^*(\mathbf{x}) = E[\theta|\mathbf{x}] = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n-n\bar{x}} (-1)^k \frac{\beta^{n\bar{x}+k+2} - \alpha^{n\bar{x}+k+2}}{(n-n\bar{x}-k)!k!(n\bar{x}+k+2)}}{\sum_{k=1}^{n-n\bar{x}} (-1)^k \frac{\beta^{n\bar{x}+k+1} - \alpha^{n\bar{x}+k+1}}{(n-n\bar{x}-k)!k!(n\bar{x}+k+1)}}$$

Example (*Beta-Binomial* model)

Let risk  $X|\theta \sim \text{Bin}(1; \theta)$ ,  $\Theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ ,  $\bar{X} = 1.45$ .

$$\pi(\theta) = \frac{\theta^{\alpha-1}(1-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{B(\alpha, \beta)}; \theta \in (0; 1);$$

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1} dx$$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_j|\theta) = \theta^{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j} (1-\theta)^{n - \sum_{j=1}^n x_j};$$

$$\pi(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{L(\theta)\pi(\theta)}{\int_0^1 L(\theta)\pi(\theta) d\theta} = \frac{\theta^{\sum_j x_j + \alpha - 1} (1-\theta)^{n + \beta - \sum_j x_j - 1}}{B(\sum_j x_j + \alpha; n + \alpha - \sum_j x_j)},$$

$$\pi(\theta|\mathbf{x}) \equiv \text{Beta}\left(\sum_j x_j + \alpha; n + \beta - \sum_j x_j\right)$$

$$E[\theta|\mathbf{x}] = \frac{\sum_j x_j + \alpha}{\alpha + \beta + n} = \frac{n}{\alpha + \beta + n} \bar{x} + \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha + \beta + n} \mu.$$



## Example (Gamma-exponential model)

$X|\theta \sim \text{Exp}(\theta), \mu(\theta) = 1/\theta, f(x|\theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, x > 0;$

$\Theta \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta = 1/\beta^*),$

$$\pi(\theta) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} e^{-\beta\theta} \theta^{\alpha-1}; \theta > 0;$$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_j|\theta) = \theta^n \exp\{-\theta \sum x_j\};$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\theta|\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{L(\theta)\pi(\theta)}{\int_0^\infty L(\theta)\pi(\theta)d\theta} \\ &= \frac{(\beta + \sum_j x_j)^{n+\alpha}}{\Gamma(n+\alpha)} \exp\{-\theta(\beta + \sum_j x_j)\} \theta^{n+\alpha-1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi(\theta|\mathbf{x}) \equiv \text{Gama}(n + \alpha; \beta + \sum_j x_j); \mu = E[X_{ij}] = E[1/\theta]$$



### Example (*Gamma-exponential model cont'd*)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\beta\theta} \theta^{\alpha-2} d\theta = \beta \frac{\Gamma(\alpha-1)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha-1} \\
 E[1/\theta|\mathbf{x}] &= \frac{(\beta + \sum_{j=1}^n x_j)^{n+\alpha}}{\Gamma(n+\alpha)} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-(\beta + \sum_j x_j)\theta} \theta^{n+\alpha-2} d\theta \\
 &= \frac{(\beta + \sum_j x_j)\Gamma(n+\alpha-1)}{\Gamma(n+\alpha)} = \frac{\beta + \sum_j x_j}{n+\alpha-1} \\
 &= \frac{n}{n+\alpha-1} \bar{x}_j + \frac{\alpha-1}{n+\alpha-1} \mu
 \end{aligned}$$



## Bühlmann's Empirical Bayes.. Unbiased and consistent estimators.

$$\mu = E[X] = E[E[X|\theta]] = E[\mu(\theta)].$$

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r \bar{X}_i = \frac{1}{nr} \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}$$

$$V[X] = V[\mu(\theta)] + E[v(\theta)] = a + v$$

$$V[\bar{X}_i] = a + \frac{1}{n}v$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r S_i'^2 = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)^2}{n-1}$$

$$\hat{a} = \max \left\{ \frac{1}{r-1} \sum_{i=1}^r (\bar{X}_i - \bar{X})^2 - \frac{1}{n} \hat{\sigma}; 0 \right\}.$$

## Bühlmann-Straub's Empirical Bayes.

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^r m_i \bar{X}_i = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} m_{ij} X_{ij}$$

$$m = \sum_{i=1}^r m_i = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} m_{ij}; \quad \hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r \hat{Z}_i \bar{X}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^r \hat{Z}_i}$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} m_{ij} (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^r (n_i - 1)}$$

$$\hat{a} = \max \left\{ \left( m - m^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^r m_i^2 \right)^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^r m_i (\bar{X}_i - \bar{X})^2 - \hat{\sigma} (r - 1) \right]; 0 \right\}$$



## Example (A Bonus-Malus system)

Let  $X_j$ : claims in year  $j$ ,  $X_j \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$ ,  $\mu(\theta) = v(\theta) = \theta$

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{n}{n + E[\theta]/V[\theta]} \bar{X} + \frac{E[\theta]/V[\theta]}{n + E[\theta]/V[\theta]} E[\theta]$$

Data: Portfolio of 106974 policies in one year (stable period):

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	$\geq 5$
$n_x$	96 978	9 240	704	43	9	0

- $\hat{E}[\theta] = \hat{E}[X] = \bar{X} = (1/106974) \sum_{k=0}^4 x_k n_{x_k} = 0.1011$ .
- $\hat{V}[X] = s^2 = (1/106974) \sum_{k=0}^4 x_k^2 n_{x_k} - \bar{x}^2 = 0.1074$ .
- $V[X] = E[\theta] + V[\theta]$ .  $\hat{V}[\theta] = 0.1074 - 0.1011 = 0.0063$ .

## Example (A Bonus-Malus system cont'd)

$P_{n+1}^*(\mathbf{X}_i)$ :  $100 \times \text{Risk premium} / \text{Collective premium}$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\theta} &= \frac{n}{n + 0.1011/0.0063} \bar{X} + \frac{0.1011/0.0063}{n + 0.1011/0.0063} \times 0.1011 \\ &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^n x_j + 16,047(0.1011) \right) / (n + 16.0476)\end{aligned}$$

$$P_{n+1}^*(\mathbf{X}_i) = 100 \times \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij} + 1.6224}{0.1011(n + 16.0476)} = 100 \times \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij} + 1.6224}{0.1011 n + 1.6224}$$

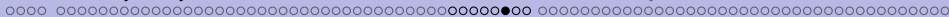


no years	No. of claims				
	0	1	2	3	4
0	100	-	-	-	-
1	94,13	152,16	210,18	268,20	326,22
2	88,92	143,72	198,53	253,34	308,14
3	84,25	136,18	188,11	240,04	291,97
4	80,05	129,39	178,73	228,06	277,40
5	76,24	123,24	170,23	217,23	264,22
6	72,79	117,65	162,51	207,38	252,24
7	69,63	112,54	155,46	198,38	241,29
8	66,73	107,86	149,00	190,13	231,26
9	64,07	103,56	143,05	182,54	222,03
10	61,61	99,58	137,56	175,53	213,50

Table: Relative premium for a *Bonus-malus* system







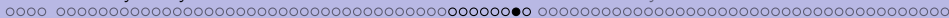
## Example (Life group insurance, cont'd)

$$E[S_{n+1,j}|\theta_j] = \sum_k x_k \sum_s E[N_{ks(n+1)j}|\theta_j] = \theta_j \sum_{k,s} x_k q_s n_{ks(n+1)j}$$

$$P_c = \tilde{\theta}_j \sum_{k,s} x_k q_s n_{ks(n+1)j}$$

$$\tilde{\theta}_j = \frac{m_j}{m_j + E[\theta_j]/V[\theta_j]} \bar{X}_{.j} + \frac{E[\theta_j]/V[\theta_j]}{m_j + E[\theta_j]/V[\theta_j]} E[\theta_j]$$

$$X_{ij} = N_{ij} / m_{ij}; \quad m_{ij} = \sum_{k,s} q_s n_{ksij}$$



## Problem 1

Consider a motor insurance portfolio where the population is classified into categories  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ , respectively, where  $A$  is Good drivers,  $B$  is Bad drivers and  $C$  is Sports drivers. The population of drivers is split as follows: 70% is in category  $A$ , 25% in  $B$  and 5% in  $C$ . For each driver in category  $A$ , there is a probability of 0.75 of having no claims in a year, a probability of 0.2 of having one claim and a probability of 0.05 of having two or more claims in a year. For each driver in category  $B$  these probabilities are 0.25, 0.4 and 0.35, respectively. For each driver in category  $C$  these probabilities are 0.3, 0.4 and 0.3, respectively.

Risk parameter representing the kind of driver is denoted by  $\theta$ , which is a realization of the random variable  $\Theta$ . The insurer does not know the value of that parameter. Let  $X$  be the (observable) number of claims per year for a risk taken out at random from the whole portfolio. For a given  $\Theta = \theta$  yearly observations  $X_1, X_2, \dots$ , make a random sample from risk  $X$ . The insurer finds crucial that the annual premium for a given risk might be adjusted by its claim record.

Consider a risk  $X$  taken out at random from the portfolio.

- 1 Calculate the mean and variance of  $X$ .
- 2 Compute the probability function of  $X$ .

## Problem 1 (cont'd)

For a particular risk of the portfolio we observed in the last two years

$X_1 = x_1 = 0$  and  $X_2 = x_2 = 2$ .

- 3 For a given  $\Theta = \theta$  of risk  $X$  observations,  $X_1, X_2, \dots$ , are a random sample but  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are not independent. Comment briefly.
- 4 Compute  $Cov[X_1, X_2]$ . [Note: For r.v.'s  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$ ,  
 $Cov[X, Y] = E[Cov[X, Y|Z]] + Cov[E[X|Z]; E[Y|Z]]$  ]
- 5 Compute the posterior probability function of  $\Theta$  given  $(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 2)$ .
- 6 You do not know from which risk category the above sample comes. Carry out appropriate calculations to determine from which category the sample is most likely to have come.

We need to compute a (pure) premium for the next year:

- 7 Compute the collective pure premium.
- 8 Compute the Bayes premium  $E[X_3|X = (0, 2)] = E(\mu(\Theta) | X = (0, 2))$ .
- 9 Compute Bühlmann's credibility premium, say,  $\tilde{E}(X_3|\theta)$ .
- 10 Can we talk here on Exact Credibility? Comment appropriately.

## Ratemaking and Experience Rating concepts, Recap...

### Ratemaking portfolios/groups:

- Similar risks grouping in collectives of risks for ratemaking.

### Tariff:

- Set of premia, for each risk in a (homogeneous) portfolio. A basic premium plus a system of *bonus* or *malus*.

### Tariff structure:

- System of bonus/malus applied to a basic premium.

### “Prior” and “Posterior” ratemaking:

- First rate following given *prior* variables, then make a *posterior re-evaluation/readjustment*, according to the reported accidents/claims by the risk/policy.

### Bonus-malus systems, use of GLM's, ..

- Bonus systems are in general based on **claim counts**, not amounts. This is explained by the usual assumption of independence between **number** and **severity** of claims. The base model is Markovian.



# Bonus-malus (or bonus) systems

- Common tariff in motor insurance;
- Usually based on a counting variable, not the amounts
- A Markov chain model (discrete time) is often used:
- Basic idea:
  - year(s) with no claim: *bonus*
  - year with 1 claims: *malus*; 2 claims: + **malus...**
- Study *Long Term* behaviour





## BMS as they should be: Bayesian analysis

### Example (Lemaire (1995, p. 37))

Observed distribution of third-party liability motor insurance claims

Mean:  $\bar{x} = 0.1011$

Variance:  $s^2 = 0.1074$

Number of claims	Observed policies
0	96,978
1	9,240
2	704
3	43
4	9
5+	0
Total	106,974

## Example (cont'd)

## Non-contagious model: Poisson fit

Number of claims	Observed policies	Poisson fit
0	96,978	96,689.6
1	9,240	9,773.5
2	704	493.9
3	43	16.6
4	9	0.4
5+	0	0
Total	106,974	106,974

## Contagious model: Negative Binomial fit

## Example (cont'd)

Number of claims	Observed policies	Poisson fit	Negative Binomial fit
0	96,978	96,689.6	96,985.5
1	9,240	9,773.5	9,222.5
2	704	493.9	711.7
3	43	16.6	50.7
4	9	0.4	3.6
5+	0	0	0
Total	106,974	106,974	106,974



Example (Lemaire 1995, p. 44; Deaths by horse kicks in the ten corps of the Prussian Army, 1875-1894)

N	Observed	Poisson	Neg Bin
0	109	108.67	111.99
1	65	66.29	61.80
2	22	20.22	20.00
3	3	4.11	4.95
4	1	0.72	1.04
5+	0	0.00	0.22
Total – Chi-Square	200	0.33	1.24

Shows total randomness of accidents. Clearly, Poisson fit is better.

## Example (Optimal BMS with Negative Binomial model)

Year	Claims				
	0	1	2	3	4
0	100				
1	94	153	211	269	329
2	89	144	199	255	310
3	84	137	189	241	294
4	80	130	179	229	279
5	76	123	171	218	266
6	73	118	163	208	253
7	69	113	156	199	242

Link with Credibility theory, **Credibility idea:**

$$Premium = (1 - z)(Population Pr.) + z(Individual Pr.)$$

Credibility is an exact rating formula for the Poisson-Gamma mix

- This **optimal BMS** is:
  - Fair (as it results from the application of Bayes theorem)
  - Financially balanced (the average income of the insurer stays at 100, year after year)
- BUT, It is not acceptable to regulators and managers, as the harsh penalties:
  - Encourage uninsured driving
  - Suggest *hit-and-run* behavior
  - Induce policyholders to leave the company after one accident

⇒ In practice, another approach, based on Markov Chains, is used

BMS as they are: definition of Markov Chain (MC)  $\{Z_n\}$  is a discrete-time, non-homogeneous Markov Chain when  $Z$  is an infinite sequence of random variables  $Z_0, Z_1, \dots$  such that:

- 1  $Z_n$  denotes the state at time  $n$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- 2 Each  $Z_n$  is a discrete random variable that can take  $s$  values ( $s$  is the number of states)
- 3 All transition probabilities are history-independent:

$$\begin{aligned}P_{(n)}(i, j) &= Pr[Z_{n+1}=j | Z_n = i, Z_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots, M_0 = i_0] \\ &= Pr[Z_{n+1}=j | Z_n = i]\end{aligned}$$

For all BMS applications, MC are homogeneous:  $\mathbf{P}_n = \mathbf{P}$ . We can have MC of order higher than 1. See Next example



## Example (Centeno [2003])

A *Bonus* system in motor insurance, 3rd party liability (directly, the system is not pure Markovian, Markov of Order 2)

- 30% discount, no claim for 2 yrs.
- 15% malus, 1 claim
- 30% malus, 2 claims
- 45% malus, 3 claims
- 100% malus, 4 claims
- > 4, case by case...

Markovian, if classes are split (see later)

Classical “Markovian” BMS consider (long term) stable behaviour.  
See next examples

## Example (Markov chain, T&K, p.102, Ex. 2.2)

A particle travels through states  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  according to a Markov chain

$$P = \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{ccc} & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{array} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$P^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}; P^3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{3}{8} \\ \frac{3}{8} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{8} \\ \frac{3}{8} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}; P^4 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{8} & \frac{5}{16} & \frac{5}{16} \\ \frac{5}{16} & \frac{3}{8} & \frac{5}{16} \\ \frac{5}{16} & \frac{5}{16} & \frac{3}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^5 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{16} & \frac{11}{32} & \frac{11}{32} \\ \frac{11}{32} & \frac{5}{16} & \frac{11}{32} \\ \frac{11}{32} & \frac{11}{32} & \frac{5}{16} \end{bmatrix}; P^{10} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{171}{512} & \frac{341}{1024} & \frac{341}{1024} \\ \frac{341}{1024} & \frac{171}{512} & \frac{341}{1024} \\ \frac{341}{1024} & \frac{341}{1024} & \frac{171}{512} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example (cont.)

$$P^{100} =$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc} \frac{211\,275\,100\,038\,038\,233\,582\,783\,867\,563}{633\,825\,300\,114\,114\,700\,748\,351\,602\,688} & \frac{422\,550\,200\,076\,076\,467\,165\,567\,735\,125}{1267\,650\,600\,228\,229\,401\,496\,703\,205\,376} & P_{31} \\ \frac{422\,550\,200\,076\,076\,467\,165\,567\,735\,125}{1267\,650\,600\,228\,229\,401\,496\,703\,205\,376} & \frac{211\,275\,100\,038\,038\,233\,582\,783\,867\,563}{633\,825\,300\,114\,114\,700\,748\,351\,602\,688} & P_{21} \\ \frac{422\,550\,200\,076\,076\,467\,165\,567\,735\,125}{1267\,650\,600\,228\,229\,401\,496\,703\,205\,376} & \frac{422\,550\,200\,076\,076\,467\,165\,567\,735\,125}{1267\,650\,600\,228\,229\,401\,496\,703\,205\,376} & P_{22} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\approx \begin{bmatrix} 0.33333 & 0.33333 & 0.33333 \\ 0.33333 & 0.33333 & 0.33333 \\ 0.33333 & 0.33333 & 0.33333 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example

Let a Markov chain with transition matrix:

$$P = \begin{array}{c} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \left( \begin{array}{cccccccc} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

## Example

Long term:  $P^8 =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \\ .9 & .09 & .009 & .0009 & .00009 & 9.0 \times 10^{-6} & 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example (Entry class: 5.)

**Table 4.1** Transition rules for the scale  $-1/\text{top}$ .

Starting level	Level occupied if claim is reported	
	0	$\geq 1$
0	0	5
1	0	5
2	1	5
3	2	5
4	3	5
5	4	5

**Table 4.2** Transition rules for the scale  $-1/+2$ .

Starting level	Level occupied if claim(s) is/are reported			
	0	1	2	$\geq 3$
5	4	5	5	5
4	3	5	5	5
3	2	5	5	5
2	1	4	5	5
1	0	3	5	5
0	0	2	4	5

A posterior ratemaking system, experience rating, is a *Bonus-malus* system if

- The rating periods are equal (1 year)
- The risks, policies, are divided into (finite) classes:

$$C_1, C_2, \dots, C_s; \quad \cup_i C_i = C; \quad C_i \cap C_j = \emptyset.$$

- No transitions within the year
- Position in Class in the year  $n$  depends on:
  - Position in  $n - 1$ , and
  - The year claim counts.

Composition of the B-S system:

- 1 A vector of *premia* (or multiplying factor, index)

$$\mathbf{b} = (b(1), b(2), \dots, b(s))$$

- 2 Transition rules among classes, in matrix:

$\mathbf{T} = [T_{ij}]$ , each entry  $T_{ij}$  is a set of integers...

$$\mathbf{T} : \cup_{j=1}^s T_{ij} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}, T_{ij} \cap T_{ij'} = \emptyset, j \neq j'$$

- 3 Entry class,  $C_{i_0}$  is the same for all policies.





If  $k$  claims are reported

$$t_{ij}(k) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if policy transfers from } i \text{ to } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The  $t_{ij}(k)$ s are put in matrix form  $\mathbf{T}(k)$ , i.e.

$$\mathbf{T}(k) = \begin{pmatrix} t_{00}(k) & t_{01}(k) & \cdots & t_{0s}(k) \\ t_{10}(k) & t_{11}(k) & \cdots & t_{1s}(k) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ t_{s0}(k) & t_{s1}(k) & \cdots & t_{ss}(k) \end{pmatrix}$$



**Example 4.3** (*-1/Top Scale*) In this case, we have

$$T(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $T(k) = T(1)$  for all  $k \geq 2$ .





- Symbolically, a B-M S can be written as a triplet:  
 $\Delta = (C_{i_0}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{b})$ .
- Bonus Class in year  $n$ :  $Z_{\Delta,n}$ , defined by set of rules  $\mathbf{T}$  and entry class  $C_{i_0}$ .
- The system is supposed to be a Markov chain

$$\{Z_{\Delta,n}, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

- Transition probability matrix:  $P_T = [p_T(i, j)]$
- Transition rules is based on claim counts, often
  - Poisson distributed (usually bad), or
  - mixed Poisson (much better),  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ,

$$p_T(i, j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta,n+1} = j | Z_{\Delta,n} = i)$$

$$p_T^{(n)}(i, j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta,n} = j | Z_{\Delta,0} = i)$$

$$p_T^{(n)}(j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta,n} = j)$$



Further,  $\mathbf{P}(\vartheta)$  is the one-step transition matrix, i.e.

$$\mathbf{P}(\vartheta) = \begin{pmatrix} p_{00}(\vartheta) & p_{01}(\vartheta) & \cdots & p_{0s}(\vartheta) \\ p_{10}(\vartheta) & p_{11}(\vartheta) & \cdots & p_{1s}(\vartheta) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{s0}(\vartheta) & p_{s1}(\vartheta) & \cdots & p_{ss}(\vartheta) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$p_{(i,j)}(\lambda) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k(\lambda) t_{ij}(k), \quad i, j = 1, \dots, S,$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{T,\lambda} = [p_{(i,j)}(\lambda)]_{S \times S} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k(\lambda) \mathbf{T}_k$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \mathbf{T}_k. \quad (\text{if Poisson})$$

**Example 4.5 (−1/Top Scale)** The transition matrix  $\mathbf{P}(\vartheta)$  associated with this bonus-malus system is given by

$$\mathbf{P}(\vartheta) = \begin{pmatrix} \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Example 4.6 (−1/+2 Scale)** The transition matrix  $\mathbf{P}(\vartheta)$  associated with this bonus-malus system is given by

$$\mathbf{P}(\vartheta) = \begin{pmatrix} \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & \vartheta \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & \frac{\vartheta^2}{2} \exp(-\vartheta) & 1 - \Sigma_1 \\ \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & \vartheta \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 1 - \Sigma_2 \\ 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & \vartheta \exp(-\vartheta) & 1 - \Sigma_3 \\ 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 0 & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \exp(-\vartheta) & 1 - \exp(-\vartheta) \end{pmatrix}.$$

where  $\Sigma_i$  represents the sum of the elements in columns 1 to 5 in row  $i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , that is,

$$\Sigma_1 = \exp(-\vartheta) \left( 1 + \vartheta + \frac{\vartheta^2}{2} \right)$$

Transition rules is based on claim counts, often

- Poisson distributed (usually bad),  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ,  $n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$p_{T,\lambda}(i, j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta, n+1} = j | Z_{\Delta, n} = i, \Lambda = \lambda)$$

$$p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(i, j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta, n} = j | Z_{\Delta, 0} = i, \Lambda = \lambda)$$

$$p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(j) = \Pr(Z_{\Delta, n} = j | \Lambda = \lambda) .$$

- Mixed Poisson (much better), 1st compute the conditional  $p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(i, j)$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ , then

$$p_T(i, j) = \int_0^\infty p_{T,\lambda}(i, j) d\pi(\lambda)$$

$$p_T^{(n)}(i, j) = \int_0^\infty p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(i, j) d\pi(\lambda) = E \left[ p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(i, j) \right]$$

$$p_T^{(n)}(j) = \int_0^\infty p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(j) d\pi(\lambda) = E \left[ p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(j) \right] .$$

**Remark:** neither  $p_T^{(n)}(i, j)$  nor  $p_T^{(n)}(j)$  are obtained from the initial mixed Poisson distribution.

- All B-M systems have (at least) a *bonus* class where a policy:
  - stays if keeps with no claims
  - goes, transits to, if has no claims
  - goes out, transits from (to another)
- That class is a periodic state
- If the Markov chain is irreducible, finite number of states, it will be aperiodic and stationary;
- Then, it exists a limit distribution, for a given  $\lambda$

$$p_{T,\lambda}^{(\infty)}(j) = \lim_{n \uparrow \infty} p_{T,\lambda}^{(n)}(i, j).$$

If  $\lambda$  is considered to be the outcome of a r.v. with dist.  $\pi(\lambda)$ , usually

$$p_T^{(\infty)}(j) = \int_0^{\infty} p_{T,\lambda}^{(\infty)}(j) d\pi(\lambda) = E \left[ p_{T,\lambda}^{(\infty)}(j) \right]$$

**Remark:**  $p_T^{(\infty)}(j)$  is not got from the initial “mixed Poisson”.







## Problem 2 (Problem 1 cont'd)

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Suppose that the insurer uses a Bonus-malus system based on the claims frequency to rate the risks of that portfolio. The system has simply three classes, numbered 1, 2 and 3 and ranked increasingly from low to higher risk.





### Example (Centeno [2003]. Class splitting:)

- $C_1$  Policies with 30% *bonus*
- $C_2$  Policies with neither *bonus* nor *malus* for the 2nd consecutive year
- $C_3$  Policies with neither *bonus* nor *malus* for the 1st yr
- $C_4$  Policies with 15% *penalty* and no claims last yr
- $C_5$  Policies with 15% *penalty* and claims last yr
- $C_6$  Policies with 30% *penalty* and no claims last yr
- $C_7$  Policies with 30% *penalty* and claims last yr
- $C_8$  Policies with 45% *penalty* and no claims last yr
- $C_9$  Policies with 45% *penalty* and claims last yr
- $C_{10}$  Policies with 100% *penalty* and no claims last yr
- $C_{11}$  Policies with 100% *penalty* and claims last yr.

Now is Markovian.



## Example (cont'd)

Class $j$	$b_j$	New Class after step, with				
		0	1	2	3	4+
1	70	1	5	7	9	11
2	100	1	5	7	9	11
3	100	2	5	7	9	11
4	115	1	7	9	11	11
5	115	4	7	9	11	11
6	130	1	9	11	11	11
7	130	6	9	11	11	11
8	145	1	11	11	11	11
9	145	8	9	11	11	11
10	200	1	11	11	11	11
11	200	10	11	11	11	11



## Example (cont'd)

If claim counts follow a Poisson( $\lambda$ ),  $\mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}$ :

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	$e^{-\lambda}$				$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2$		$\lambda^3 e^{-\lambda}/6$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^3 \lambda^i/i!$
2	$e^{-\lambda}$				$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2$		$\lambda^3 e^{-\lambda}/6$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^3 \lambda^i/i!$
3		$e^{-\lambda}$			$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2$		$\lambda^3 e^{-\lambda}/6$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^3 \lambda^i/i!$
4	$e^{-\lambda}$						$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^2 \lambda^i/i!$
5			$e^{-\lambda}$				$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^2 \lambda^i/i!$
6	$e^{-\lambda}$								$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^1 \lambda^i/i!$
7	0					$e^{-\lambda}$			$\lambda e^{-\lambda}$		$1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^1 \lambda^i/i!$
8	$e^{-\lambda}$										$1 - e^{-\lambda}$
9								$e^{-\lambda}$			$1 - e^{-\lambda}$
10	$e^{-\lambda}$										$1 - e^{-\lambda}$
11										$e^{-\lambda}$	$1 - e^{-\lambda}$

- The Markov chain is not irreducible.
- You cannot go to Class/State 3.
- Class of states  $\{C_2, C_3\}$  is transient.
- Class,  $\{C_1, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9, C_{10}, C_{11}\}$  is a class of positive recurrent aperiodic states.

Re-order states in two classes of states:

- Class 1:  $\{C_2, C_3\}$
- Class 2:  $\{C_1, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9, C_{10}, C_{11}\}$

So that  $P_{\Delta,\lambda}$  is split into 4 blocks:

$$P_{\Delta,\lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{1,(\Delta,\lambda)} & P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)} \\ \mathbf{0} & P_{2,\Delta,\lambda} \end{bmatrix}$$

- $P_{1,\Delta,\lambda}$ : Transition Prob'ty block inside Class 1,  $\{C_2, C_3\}$ ;
- $P_{3,\Delta,\lambda}$ : Transition Prob'ty block between Class of states 1 & 2,  
 $\{C_2, C_3\}$  and  $\{C_1, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9, C_{10}, C_{11}\}$
- $P_{2,\Delta,\lambda}$ : Transition Prob'ty block among states  $\{C_1, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9, C_{10}, C_{11}\}$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{\Delta,\lambda}^2 &= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} P_{1,\Delta,\lambda}^2 & P_{1,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)} + P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)} \\ \hline 0 & P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}^2 \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & P_{1,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)} + P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)} \\ \hline 0 & P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}^2 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{with } P_{1,\Delta,\lambda}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix}^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

## Result

*Recursively,  $n \geq 2$ ,*

$$P_{\Delta,\lambda}^n = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 0 & (P_{1,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)} + P_{3,(\Delta,\lambda)}P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}) P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}^{n-2} \\ \hline 0 & P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}^n \end{array} \right]$$

Calculate the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}^n = \mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}^{\infty}$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}^{\infty} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \left( \mathbf{P}_{1, (\Delta, \lambda)} \mathbf{P}_{3, (\Delta, \lambda)} + \mathbf{P}_{3, (\Delta, \lambda)} \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)} \right) \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} \end{bmatrix}$$

with

$$\mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{n-2} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} = \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_2)$$

$\mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}^n$  tends for a matrix with all lines equal, of the form

$$\mathbf{P}_{\Delta, \lambda}^n \rightarrow \left[ \mathbf{0} \mid \mathbf{P}_{2, (\Delta, \lambda)}^{\infty} \right]$$

## Example (cont'd)

$$P_{2,\Delta,\lambda} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-\lambda} & \lambda e^{-\lambda} & \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2 & \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda}/6 & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^3 \lambda^i/i! \\ e^{-\lambda} & & \lambda e^{-\lambda} & \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2 & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^2 \lambda^i/i! \\ & e^{-\lambda} & \lambda e^{-\lambda} & \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}/2 & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^2 \lambda^i/i! \\ e^{-\lambda} & & & \lambda e^{-\lambda} & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^1 \lambda^i/i! \\ 0 & e^{-\lambda} & & \lambda e^{-\lambda} & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^1 \lambda^i/i! \\ e^{-\lambda} & & & & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \\ & & e^{-\lambda} & & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \\ e^{-\lambda} & & & e^{-\lambda} & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \\ & & & & e^{-\lambda} & 1 - e^{-\lambda} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 0.1$$

With  $\lambda = 0.1$ , we get  $P_{2,(\Delta,\lambda)}^\infty$  as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.81873 & 0.067032 & 0.074082 & 0.014905 & 0.016473 & 0.0032584 \\ & 0.0036011 & 91126 \times 10^{-4} & 10071 \times 10^{-3} & & \end{pmatrix}$$

In stationarity, Average Premium is 78.997% of entry Premium.



- Lemaire's (1995):
  - *Relative Stationary Average Level (RSAL)*:

$$RSAL = \frac{SAP - mP}{MP - mP}$$

$$SAP = \sum_{j=1}^s b(j) p_T^{(\infty)}(j)$$

*SAP*: Stationary Average Premium, *mP*: minimum Premium,  
*MP*: Max Premium

- Premium variation coefficient (VC):

$$VC = SDP / SAP$$

$$SDP = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^s b(j)^2 p_T^{(\infty)}(j) - SAP^2}$$

- Loimaranta's (1972) Efficiency. Elasticity of the average premium (Response to changes in frequency mean)

$$\eta(\lambda) = \frac{\frac{d SAP(\lambda)}{SAP}}{\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda}} = \frac{d \ln SAP(\lambda)}{d \ln \lambda}$$

If

$$\lambda \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow SAP(\lambda) \rightarrow \max \{b(j)\} < \infty;$$

$$\lambda \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \eta(\lambda) \rightarrow 0; \quad \lambda \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \eta(\lambda) \rightarrow 0.$$

- Lemaire's (1985) *Transient Elasticity* (1st step analysis)

$$V_\lambda(j) = b(j) + \beta_j \sum_{k=1}^s p_{T,\lambda}(j, k) V_\lambda(k), \quad j = 1, \dots, s$$

- $V_\lambda(j)$ : Expected present value to be paid by policy from  $C_j$ ;
- $\beta_j (< 1)$ : Discount rate.







# “Bonus hunger”

- Due to “Claims Frequency System”
- (Some?) Small accidents aren't reported;
  - It changes: the reported frequency and amounts dist's;
  - Decreases insurer's management costs;
  - “No-report” decision depends:
    - solely **on insured**, and
    - his bonus class  $C_j$ ;
- Let  $x_j$ : Retention level (works like a “Franchise” not a “Deductible”);
- It's possible to find an optimal retention point:  $x_j^*$  (under some assumptions).



















- Statistical modelling

- Model the pure premium
- Model the Conditional Expected Value:

$$\begin{aligned}E(Y|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) &= h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p) \\ Y &= h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p) + \varepsilon\end{aligned}$$

$Y$ : endogenous variable,  $x_i$ : factor, exogenous,  $\beta_j$ : parameter

- Identify risk factors;
- Different sorts of variables: **Nominal** (binary: gender, good/bad risk), **ordinal/Categorical** (ranks: age, power groups), **discrete** (age, experience yrs, claim counts...), **continuous** (income, claim amounts)
- Data, Information must be (always) reliable, as simple as possible, clean, neat...
- $Y$ : Pure premium, Factors: risk factors influencing:
  - E.g motor insurance: kms, traffic, driver's ability, power, vehicle type, driver's experience, geographical factors...

Deal with the experts about the factors influencing, gather information, data, manageable data. E.g., in motor insurance we can consider

- Past accident record
- kms driven
- Car owner (company/private)
- Use (business or private)
- Vehicle value
- Power ( $\text{cm}^3$ )
- Weight
- Driver's age
- Driving region (usual, city/countryside...)
- Multiple driver's?
- Vehicle age
- Years fo driver's expereince
- Car brand and/or model

- Gender
- Sort of insurance (third party, own damages)
- Driver's profession
- etc,...
- ....

Then, we have to make choices, run/test models...

- Built classes of factors. Often Class aggregation is needed
- Often we have many binary or rank variables, qualitative data

If dependent variable  $Y$  is:

- Binary: Model a *Logit* or *Probit*
- Counting data: *Poisson* model. Ex: Number of claims in a Bonus system
- Continuous data: *Gamma* model. Ex: Amount of claims
- Compound Poisson data: Ex: *Poisson-Gamma Tweedie* model for Aggregate claims data.  
(*Tweedie* dist.family:  $\text{Var}(Y) = a[E(Y)]^p$ ,  $a, p > 0$  const. )

Let  $S$  be the Aggregate claims in one year,  $N$  be the annual number of claims and  $X$  be the amount of each claim.

$$E(S) = E(N)E(X), \text{ is the pure premium.}$$

We can consider modeling the two expectations separately.  
Or not... Jørgensen & de Souza (1994).

Explanatory variables may affect the expected cost by simultaneously increasing or decreasing both the claim frequency and the average claim size.

In practice, some explanatory factors will have a greater impact on the frequency of claims than on their size, or the opposite.

It is also possible for certain factors, e.g. no-claims bonus, to affect the frequency of claims and the claim size in opposite directions.

In a portfolio we can consider different level factors influencing each (conditional) expectation, building a tariff, such that:

$$E(Y|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p)$$

Specifying  $h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p)$  may not be an easy task, where the  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p$  are the factors.

A tariff analysis is based on insurer's own data.

Steps:

- Postulate a distribution of  $Y$  according to its nature, as well as the factors  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$ ;
- Based on a sample for  $Y$  and  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$  choose the *best*  $h(\cdot)$  and estimate  $(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p)$ ;
- Hypothesis testing, for  $Y$  and  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$ .

We should consider:

- Existing information in the company;
- Used variables in other, previous, studies;
- Market used variables;
- Legal limitations.

## Data:

- Must be reliable, objective;
- Number of variables must be adequate, no too long or too short;
- All information must cover an homogeneous period. Not too long periods, e.g.

## Models:

- Additive models. ANOVA;
- Mutliplicative models, GLM, e.g. two rating factors:

$$\mu_{ij} = \gamma_0 \gamma_{1i} \gamma_{2j}$$

- Key ratio

$$Y_{ij} = X_{ij} / w_{ij}$$

- Mean of *key ratio*:

$$\mu_{ij} = E(Y_{ij}), \text{ with } w_{ij} = 1$$



- Multiplicative models, extension to *many* rating factors,  $M$ :

$$\mu_{1i_1, i_2, \dots, i_M} = \gamma_0 \gamma_{1i_1} \gamma_{2i_2} \times \dots \times \gamma_{Mi_M}$$

$\mu_{1i_1, i_2, \dots, i_M}$  : Mean of dependent var. with  $M$  rating factors

$M$  : Number of rating factors

$\gamma_{ij}$  : Rating factor  $i$  in Class  $j$

- Exponential dispersion models (EDM's) of GLM's generalise the normal distribution used in the linear models.

$$\text{Pure Premium} = \text{Claim frequency} \times \text{Claim severity}$$

For each of the two factors, we can have different rating factors, separately, since severity and frequency are independent.

**Table 1.1** Rating factors in moped insurance

Rating factor	Class	Class description
Vehicle class	1	Weight over 60 kg and more than two gears
	2	Other
Vehicle age	1	At most 1 year
	2	2 years or more
Geographic zone	1	Central and semi-central parts of Sweden's three largest cities
	2	Suburbs and middle-sized towns
	3	Lesser towns, except those in 5 or 7
	4	Small towns and countryside, except 5–7
	5	Northern towns
	6	* Northern countryside
	7	Gotland (Sweden's largest island)

**Table 1.2** Key ratios in moped insurance (claim frequency per mille)

Tariff cell			Duration	No. claims	Claim frequency	Claim severity	Pure premium	Actual premium
Class	Age	Zone						
1	1	1	62.9	17	270	18 256	4 936	2 049
1	1	2	112.9	7	62	13 632	845	1 230
1	1	3	133.1	9	68	20 877	1 411	762
1	1	4	376.6	7	19	13 045	242	396
1	1	5	9.4	0	0	.	0	990
1	1	6	70.8	1	14	15 000	212	594
1	1	7	4.4	1	228	8 018	1 829	396
1	2	1	352.1	52	148	8 232	1 216	1 229
1	2	2	840.1	69	82	7 418	609	738
1	2	3	1 378.3	75	54	7 318	398	457
1	2	4	5 505.3	136	25	6 922	171	238
1	2	5	114.1	2	18	11 131	195	594
1	2	6	810.9	14	17	5 970	103	356
1	2	7	62.3	1	16	6 500	104	238
2	1	1	191.6	43	224	7 754	1 740	1 024
2	1	2	237.3	34	143	6 933	993	615
2	1	3	162.4	11	68	4 402	298	381
2	1	4	446.5	8	18	8 214	147	198
2	1	5	13.2	0	0	.	0	495
2	1	6	82.8	3	36	5 830	211	297
2	1	7	14.5	0	0	.	0	198
2	2	1	844.8	94	111	4 728	526	614
2	2	2	1 296.0	99	76	4 252	325	369
2	2	3	1 214.9	37	30	4 212	128	229
2	2	4	3 740.7	56	15	3 846	58	119
2	2	5	109.4	4	37	3 925	144	297
2	2	6	404.7	5	12	5 280	65	178
2	2	7	66.3	1	15	7 795	118	119

**Table 1.3** Important key ratios

Exposure $w$	Response $X$	Key ratio $Y \equiv X/w$
Duration	Number of claims	Claim frequency
Duration	Claim cost	Pure premium
Number of claims	Claim cost	(Average) Claim severity
Earned premium	Claim cost	Loss ratio
Number of claims	Number of large claims	Proportion of large claims

## EDM's of GLM's

- Data, Key Ratios Obs org'zed in list form  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)'$ ;
- Row  $i$  contains  $y_i$ , exposure weight  $w_i$  and rating factors ob's;

Tariff cell $i$	Covariates			Duration (exposure) $w_i$	Claim frequency $y_i$
	Class $x_{i1}$	Age $x_{i2}$	Zone $x_{i3}$		
1	1	1	1	62.9	270
2	1	1	2	112.9	62
3	1	1	3	133.1	68
4	1	1	4	376.6	19
5	1	1	5	9.4	0
6	1	1	6	70.8	14
7	1	1	7	4.4	228
8	1	2	1	352.1	148
9	1	2	2	840.1	82
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
21	2	1	7	14.5	0
22	2	2	1	844.8	111
23	2	2	2	1 296.0	76
24	2	2	3	1 214.9	30
25	2	2	4	3 740.7	15
26	2	2	5	109.4	37
27	2	2	6	404.7	12
28	2	2	7	66.3	15

- Prob'y dist of the Claim Frequency: Poisson, mixed Poisson.  
Let  $X_i$  in cell  $i$  with  $w_i$ ,

$$X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(w_i \mu_i) \Rightarrow Y_i = X_i / w_i \sim \text{relative Poisson}$$

- Model for claim severity: Gamma,  $X \sim \text{Gamma}(w\alpha, \beta)$

$$\Rightarrow Y = X / w \sim \text{Gamma}(w\alpha, w\beta), \quad E[X] = \alpha / \beta$$

- Tweedie models:

- EDM's that are scale invariant, those with variance function  $v(\mu) = \mu^p$ .
- If  $1 < p < 2$  correspond to the Compound Poisson. Key ratio: Pure premium.
- Model altogether the pure premium, not claim counts and size separately.

**Table 2.7** Moped insurance: relativities from a multiplicative Poisson GLM for claim frequency and a gamma GLM for claim severity

Rating factor	Class	Duration	No. claims	Relativities, frequency	Relativities, severity	Relativities, pure premium
Vehicle class	1	9833	391	1.00	1.00	1.00
	2	8824	395	0.78	0.55	0.42
Vehicle age	1	1918	141	1.55	1.79	2.78
	2	16740	645	1.00	1.00	1.00
Zone	1	1451	206	7.10	1.21	8.62
	2	2486	209	4.17	1.07	4.48
	3	2889	132	2.23	1.07	2.38
	4	10069	207	1.00	1.00	1.00
	5	246	6	1.20	1.21	1.46
	6	1369	23	0.79	0.98	0.78
	7	147	3	1.00	1.20	1.20

Table 2.8 Motorcycle insurance: rating factors and relativities in current tariff

Rating factor	Class	Class description	Relativity
Geographic zone	1	Central and semi-central parts of Sweden's three largest cities	7.678
	2	Suburbs plus middle-sized cities	4.227
	3	Lesser towns, except those in 5 or 7	1.336
	4	Small towns and countryside, except 5-7	1.000
	5	Northern towns	1.734
	6	Northern countryside	1.402
	7	Gotland (Sweden's largest island)	1.402
MC class	1	EV ratio -5	0.625
	2	EV ratio 6-8	0.769
	3	EV ratio 9-12	1.000
	4	EV ratio 13-15	1.406
	5	EV ratio 16-19	1.875
	6	EV ratio 20-24	4.062
	7	EV ratio 25-	6.873
Vehicle age	1	0-1 years	2.000
	2	2-4 years	1.200
	3	5- years	1.000
Bonus class	1	1-2	1.250
	2	3-4	1.125
	3	5-7	1.000