

ACSC/STAT 4703, Actuarial Models II

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Homework Sheet 1

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Basic Questions

1. Aggregate payments have a compound distribution. The frequency distribution is negative binomial with $r = 2$ and $\beta = 1.9$. The severity distribution is a gamma distribution with $\alpha = 0.7$ and $\theta = 18000$. Use a Pareto approximation to aggregate payments to estimate the probability that aggregate payments are more than \$350,000.
2. Loss amounts follow a Pareto distribution with $\alpha = 4$ and $\theta = 120,000$. The distribution of the number of losses is given in the following table:

| Number of Losses | Probability |
|------------------|-------------|
| 0 | 0.47 |
| 1 | 0.11 |
| 2 | 0.27 |
| 3 | 0.15 |

Assume all losses are independent and independent of the number of losses. The insurance company buys excess-of-loss reinsurance on the part of the loss above \$200,000. Calculate the expected payment for this excess-of-loss reinsurance.

[You may use the following formula for independent Pareto distributions X and Y with $\alpha = 4$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}((X + Y - a)_+) \\ &= \frac{4\theta^8}{3(2\theta + a)^7} \left(30 \log\left(\frac{\theta + a}{\theta}\right) + 15 \left(\frac{2\theta + a}{\theta} - \frac{2\theta + a}{\theta + a} \right) + \frac{7}{2} \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^2}{\theta^2} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^2}{(\theta + a)^2} \right) \right) \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^3}{\theta^3} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^3}{(\theta + a)^3} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{(2\theta + a)^4}{\theta^4} - \frac{(2\theta + a)^4}{(\theta + a)^4} \right) + \frac{\theta^4(\theta + a) + \theta a^4}{3(\theta + a)^4} \end{aligned}$$

You may use numerical integration to find the expected payment if there are 3 losses. Hint: find the expected payment by conditioning on the first loss.]

3. An insurance company models loss frequency as binomial with $n = 88$, $p = 0.11$, and loss severity as exponential with $\theta = 20,000$. Calculate the expected aggregate payments if there is a policy limit of \$80,000 and a deductible of \$15,000 applied to each claim.

4. Claim frequency follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 2$ and $\beta = 4.1$. Claim severity (in thousands) has the following distribution:

| Severity | Probability |
|-----------|-------------|
| 1 | 0.4 |
| 2 | 0.39 |
| 3 | 0.14 |
| 4 | 0.05 |
| 5 or more | 0.02 |

Use the recursive method to calculate the exact probability that aggregate claims are at least 5.

5. Use an arithmetic distribution ($h = 1$) to approximate a Pareto distribution with $\alpha = 4$ and $\theta = 60$.
- (a) Using the method of rounding, calculate the mean of the arithmetic approximation. [You can evaluate this numerically: use 10,000 terms in the sum.]
- (b) Using the method of local moment matching, matching 1 moment on each interval, estimate the probability that the value is larger than 18.5.

Standard Questions

6. The number of claims an insurance company receives follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 64$ and $\beta = 37$. Claim severity follows a negative binomial distribution with $r = 14$ and $\beta = 1.4$. Calculate the probability that aggregate losses exceed \$32,000.
- (a) Starting the recurrence 6 standard deviations below the mean [You need to calculate the recurrence up to $f_s(100,000)$.]
- (b) Using a suitable convolution.