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CT6 –Statistical Methods

Indicative Solution

Q.1) As a first step, convert the given samples from the exponential distribution to samples from the uniform distribution, via the distribution function transformation.

If X has the exponential distribution with mean 5, then $e^{-X/5}$ has the uniform distribution over $(0,1)$. Thus, the numbers $e^{-10.6101/5}$, $e^{-2.7768/5}$, $e^{-11.8926/5}$, $e^{-0.1976/5}$, $e^{-6.6885/5}$ and $e^{-6.4656/5}$ are samples from the uniform distribution.

Now use Box-Muller transformation on successive pairs to obtain standard normal samples; multiply by 2 and add 2 to get requisite mean and variance :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-10.6101/5}))^{1/2} \cos(2 * \pi * e^{-2.7768/5}), \\
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-10.6101/5}))^{1/2} \sin(2 * \pi * e^{-2.7768/5}), \\
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-11.8926/5}))^{1/2} \cos(2 * \pi * e^{-0.1976/5}), \\
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-11.8926/5}))^{1/2} \sin(2 * \pi * e^{-0.1976/5}), \\
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-6.6885/5}))^{1/2} \cos(2 * \pi * e^{-6.4656/5}), \\
 &2 + 2 * (-2 \log(e^{-6.6885/5}))^{1/2} \sin(2 * \pi * e^{-6.4656/5}).
 \end{aligned}$$

These expressions lead to the samples: -1.68437, 0.15567, 6.23348, 0.94843, 1.50017, 5.23292. [5]

Q.2) (i) Expected value of the loss, $A = p_1X_1 + p_2X_2 + p_3X_3$. The premium collected by the direct insurer is $A(1 + \theta)$.

Expected value of reinsurer's share of loss is $B = p_3(X_3 - X_2)$. The premium collected by the reinsurer is $B(1 + \xi)$.

The overall loss matrix for the direct insurer is as under.

	X_1	X_2	X_3
d_1	0	0	0
d_2	$X_1 - A(1 + \theta)$	$X_2 - A(1 + \theta)$	$X_3 - A(1 + \theta)$
d_3	$X_1 - A(1 + \theta)$ $+B(1 + \xi)$	$X_2 - A(1 + \theta)$ $+B(1 + \xi)$	$X_2 - A(1 + \theta)$ $+B(1 + \xi)$

(ii) The average overall loss for decision d_1 is 0.

The average overall loss for decision d_2 is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &p_1(X_1 - A(1 + \theta)) + p_2(X_2 - A(1 + \theta)) + p_3(X_3 - A(1 + \theta)) \\
 &= A - A(1 + \theta) = -A\theta.
 \end{aligned}$$

The average overall loss for decision d_3 is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &p_1(X_1 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi)) + p_2(X_2 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi)) \\
 &\quad + p_3(X_2 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi)) \\
 &= p_1X_1 + p_2X_2 + p_3X_3 - p_3(X_3 - X_2) - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi) \\
 &= A - B - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi) = -A\theta + B\xi.
 \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that the Bayes strategy, which minimizes the average overall loss, is d_2 .

- (iii) The minimum losses for decisions d_1 , d_2 and d_3 are 0, $X_1 - A(1 + \theta)$ and $X_1 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi)$, respectively. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 - A(1 + \theta) &< A - A(1 + \theta) = -A\theta < 0, \\ X_1 - A(1 + \theta) &< X_1 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the minimum loss is minimized by strategy d_2 .

- (iv) For the specified values of the losses and probabilities, we have $A = 17$ and $B = 9$. The maximum losses for decisions d_1 , d_2 and d_3 are 0, $X_3 - A(1 + \theta) = 83 - 17\theta = 74.5$ and $X_2 - A(1 + \theta) + B(1 + \xi) = 2 - 17\theta + 9\xi = -1.1$. Thus, the minimax strategy is d_3 .
- (v) Continuing from part (iv), the maximum loss for decision d_3 is $-6.5 + 9\xi$, which is negative if and only if $\xi < 13/18$. Thus, the minimax strategy is d_3 for $1/2 < \xi < 13/18$ and d_1 for $\xi \geq 13/18$. [8]

Q.3) (i) The likelihood function is

$$L(\mu, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^{10} \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(\log x_i - \mu)^2\right]}{x_i(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}}.$$

The log-likelihood is

$$\ell(\mu, \sigma^2) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{10} \left(\frac{\log x_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 - 10 \log \sigma - 10 \log(2\pi)^{1/2} - \sum_{i=1}^{10} \log x_i.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \mu} &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^{10} \left(\frac{\log x_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right), \\ \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \sigma} &= \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^{10} \left(\frac{\log x_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 - \frac{10}{\sigma}. \end{aligned}$$

By equating the first expression to zero, we get

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} \log x_i,$$

and by equating the second expression to zero, we get

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} (\log x_i - \hat{\mu})^2 = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} (\log x_i)^2 - \hat{\mu}^2.$$

From the data, we have $\sum_{i=1}^{10} \log x_i = 61.9695$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{10} (\log x_i)^2 = 403.1326$. It follows that $\hat{\mu} = 6.197$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 1.911$, i.e., $\hat{\sigma} = 1.382$.

(ii) For a Pareto distribution, we know that

$$E(X) = \frac{\lambda}{\alpha - 1}, \quad \text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha\lambda^2}{(\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 2)}.$$

the other hand, the sample moments are

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{X} &= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 1,094.1, \\ \overline{X^2} &= \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i^2 = 3,076,167.9. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the sample variance is $3,076,167.9 - 1,094.1^2 = 1,879,113$.

Equating the moment expressions to the corresponding sample moments, we have (from the ratio of variance and mean-square)

$$\frac{\hat{\alpha}}{\hat{\alpha} - 2} = \frac{1,879,113}{1,094.1^2}; \text{ i.e., } \hat{\alpha} = \frac{2 \times 1,879,113/1,094.1^2}{1,879,113/1,094.1^2 - 1} = 5.51013,$$

and (from the first moment equation)

$$\hat{\lambda} = 1,094.1 \times (\hat{\alpha} - 1) = 4,934.4$$

(iii) For log-normal model,

$$P(X > 3000) = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\log 3000 - 6.197}{1.382}\right) = 1 - \Phi(1.309) = 0.09527.$$

For Pareto,

$$P(X > 3000) = \left(\frac{4934.5}{4934.5 + 3000}\right)^{5.51013} = 0.073011. \quad [10]$$

Q.4) (i) The surplus process is

$$U(t) = U + Ct - S(t) = 10 + 6t - S(t),$$

where $S(t)$ is the accumulated claim till time t .

Note that the function $S(t)$ has jumps (of size 2 or 10, depending on the size of claim) at integer values of t , and stays constant in between integer values of t .

Size of claim arising at the end of year n can be written as $2 + 8X_n$, where

$$X_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{with probability } \frac{3}{4}, \\ 1 & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{4}. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$S(n) = 2n + 8 \sum_{j=1}^n X_j.$$

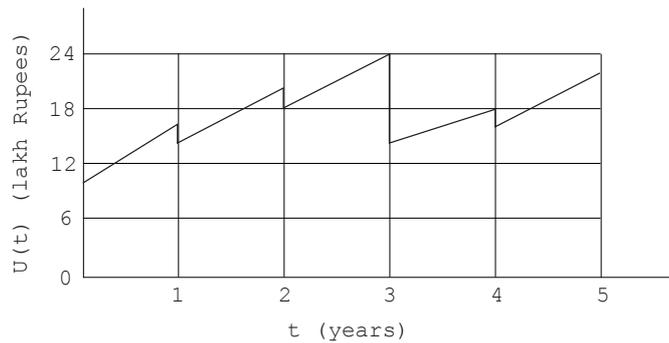
Thus,

$$U(t) = 10 + 6t - 2n - 8 \sum_{j=1}^n X_j,$$

where n is the integer part of t (i.e., greatest integer less than or equal to t). Specifically for integer time n ,

$$U(n) = 10 + 4n - 8 \sum_{j=1}^n X_j.$$

(ii) The sketch is as under



(iii) Probability of ruin at the end of the first year is

$$P(U(1) < 0) = P(10 + 4 - 8X_1 < 0) = P(X_1 > 14/8) = 0.$$

(iv) Probability of ruin at the end of the second year is

$$\begin{aligned} P(U(2) < 0) &= P(10 + 8 - 8(X_1 + X_2) < 0) \\ &= P(X_1 + X_2 > 18/8) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(v) At the end of the fourth year, we have $U(4) = 26 - 8(X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4)$. This expression can be negative only if $X_1 = X_2 = X_3 = X_4 = 1$. However, this means that $U(3) = 22 - 8(X_1 + X_2 + X_3) < 0$, that is, ruin has already occurred at the end of the third year. Therefore, the probability that the *first* ruin occurs at the end of the fourth year is actually 0. [10]

Q.5) (i) $\alpha = e^{\mu + \sigma^2/2} = e^{\mu + 1/2}$.

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} E(\alpha) &= E\left(e^{\mu + 1/2}\right) \\ &= e^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\mu} (2\pi(4))^{-1/2} e^{-(\mu-10)^2/(2 \cdot 4)} d\mu \\ &= e^{10+1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{(\mu-10)} (8\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(\mu-10)^2/8} d\mu \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{10+1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2u} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-u^2/2} du \\
 &= e^{10+1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(u^2-4u)/2} du \\
 &= e^{10+1/2+2^2/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(u-2)^2/2} du \\
 &= e^{10+1/2+2} = e^{12.5}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) We can write the mean squared error as

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)^2] &= E[E\{(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)^2|\alpha\}] \\
 &= E[E\{(z\bar{X} + (1 - z)E(\alpha) - z\alpha - (1 - z)\alpha)^2|\alpha\}] \\
 &= E[E\{(z(\bar{X} - \alpha) + (1 - z)(E(\alpha) - \alpha))^2|\alpha\}] \\
 &= E[z^2 E\{(\bar{X} - \alpha)^2|\alpha\} + (1 - z)^2 (E(\alpha) - \alpha)^2] \\
 &= z^2 E[Var(\bar{X}|\alpha)] + (1 - z)^2 Var(\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Let $A = E[Var(\bar{X}|\alpha)]$ and $B = Var(\alpha)$. The function $z^2A + (1 - z)^2B$ is to be minimized with respect to z over the interval $[0, 1]$. Since $A > 0$ and $B > 0$, the quadratic function has a unique minimum. Differentiating the function with respect to z and setting the derivative equal to zero, we have $2zA - 2(1 - z)B = 0$, which leads to the solution $(1 - z)/z = A/B$, or,

$$z = \frac{B}{B + A} = \frac{Var(\alpha)}{Var(\alpha) + E[Var(\bar{X}|\alpha)]},$$

which is clearly between 0 and 1.

(v) Following similar steps to part (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(\alpha^2) &= E(e^{2\mu+1}) \\
 &= e^1 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\mu} (2\pi(4))^{-1/2} e^{-(\mu-10)^2/(2\cdot 4)} d\mu \\
 &= e^{20+1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2(\mu-10)} (8\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(\mu-10)^2/(2\cdot 4)} d\mu \\
 &= e^{20+1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{4u} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-u^2/2} du \\
 &= e^{20+1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(u^2-8u)/2} du \\
 &= e^{20+1+8} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-(u-4)^2/2} du \\
 &= e^{20+1+8} = e^{29}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$Var(\alpha) = E(\alpha^2) - [E(\alpha)]^2 = e^{29} - e^{25}.$$

(vi) It is easy to see that $Var(\bar{X}|\alpha) = Var(X_1|\alpha)/n$. Further, $Y = \log(X_1)$ has the normal distribution with mean μ and variance 1. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_1^2|\alpha) &= E(e^{2Y}|\alpha) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2y}(2\pi)^{-1/2}e^{-(y-\mu)^2/2}dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2}e^{-(y^2-2y\mu+\mu^2-4y)/2}dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2}e^{-(y^2-2y(\mu+2)+(\mu+2)^2-4\mu-4)/2}dy \\ &= e^{2\mu+2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2}e^{-(y^2-2y(\mu+2)+(\mu+2)^2)/2}dy \\ &= e^{2\mu+2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (2\pi)^{-1/2}e^{-(y-(\mu+2))^2/2}dy \\ &= e^{2\mu+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$Var(X_1|\alpha) = E(X_1^2|\alpha) - E(X_1|\alpha)^2 = e^{2\mu+2} - e^{2\mu+1} = \alpha^2(e - 1).$$

It follows from the calculations of part (v) that

$$E[Var(\bar{X}|\alpha)] = \frac{E[Var(X_1|\alpha)]}{n} = \frac{E(\alpha^2)(e - 1)}{n} = \frac{e^{30} - e^{29}}{n}.$$

(vii) Substituting the results of parts (v) and (vi) in that of part (iv), we have

$$z = \frac{Var(\alpha)}{E[Var(\bar{X}|\alpha)] + Var(\alpha)} = \frac{e^{29} - e^{25}}{(e^{29} - e^{25}) + (e^{30} - e^{29})/n}.$$

Substituting this value of z and the result of part (ii) in the expression for the credibility premium $\hat{\alpha}$ given in the question, we get the following expression for $\hat{\alpha}$

$$\hat{\alpha} = z\bar{X} + (1 - z)E(\alpha) = \frac{(e^{29} - e^{25})\bar{X} + e^{12.5}(e^{30} - e^{29})/n}{(e^{29} - e^{25}) + (e^{30} - e^{29})/n}. \tag{15}$$

Q.6) (i) The transition matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} q & 1 - q & 0 \\ q & 0 & 1 - q \\ q^2 & q(1 - q) & 1 - q \end{pmatrix}.$$

(ii) At equilibrium, we have

$$q(\pi_1 + \pi_2) + q^2\pi_3 = \pi_1, \tag{1}$$

$$(1 - q)\pi_1 + q(1 - q)\pi_3 = \pi_2, \tag{2}$$

$$(1 - q)(\pi_2 + \pi_3) = \pi_3. \tag{3}$$

From (3), we have $(1 - q)\pi_2 = q\pi_3$, i.e., $(1 - q)^2\pi_2 = q(1 - q)\pi_3$.
 Substituting the left hand side of the last equation in (2), we get $(1 - q)\pi_1 + (1 - q)^2\pi_2 = \pi_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3) &\propto q(1 - q)(\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3) \\ &\propto (q[1 - (1 - q)^2]\pi_2, q(1 - q)\pi_2, (1 - q)^2\pi_2) \\ &\propto (q^2(2 - q), q(1 - q), (1 - q)^2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(\pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3) = (kq^2(2 - q), kq(1 - q), k(1 - q)^2),$$

for a positive number k which ensures $\pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 = 1$. Solving the latter equation, we have

$$1 = (kq^2(2 - q) + kq(1 - q) + k(1 - q)^2) = k(1 - q + 2q^2 - q^3).$$

It follows that $k = 1/(1 - q + 2q^2 - q^3)$.

(iii) The expected premium for high risk policy holders is

$$350k[q^2(2 - q) + 0.65q(1 - q) + 0.5(1 - q)^2] = \text{Rs. } 183.76.$$

Comparison of the expected premiums of the two groups show that bad risks only pay a little more than good risks. The NCD system does not discriminate sufficiently between high- and low-risk policies. [12]

Q.7) (i) CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF REPORTED CLAIMS

<i>Accident Year</i>	<i>Development Year</i>				
	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>Ultimate</i>
2002	41	46	48	49	50
2003	45	51	53		
2004	50	56			
2005	54				

Chain ladder development factors:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{01} &= \frac{46 + 51 + 56}{41 + 45 + 50} = \frac{153}{136} = 1.125, \\ f_{12} &= \frac{48 + 53}{46 + 51} = \frac{101}{97} = 1.0412, \\ f_{23} &= \frac{49}{48} = 1.0208, \\ f_{34} &= \frac{50}{49} = 1.0204. \end{aligned}$$

CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF REPORTED CLAIMS

(Forecasts in bold)

<i>Accident Year</i>	<i>Development Year</i>				<i>Ultimate</i>
	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	
2002	41	46	48	49	50
2003	45	51	53	54.10	55.21
2004	50	56	58.31	59.52	60.74
2005	54	60.75	63.26	64.57	65.89

(ii) AVERAGE COST PER CLAIM

<i>Accident Year</i>	<i>Development Year</i>				<i>Ultimate</i>
	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	
2002	8.3414	9.3261	9.5416	9.6122	9.8000
2003	10.6889	13.5098	13.2264		
2004	11.6800	14.2857			
2005	12.3148				

AVERAGE COST PER CLAIM

(with grossing up factors and ultimate forecasts)

<i>Accident Year</i>	<i>Development Year</i>				<i>Ultimate</i>
	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	
2002	8.3414	9.3261	9.5416	9.6122	9.8000
	85.12%	95.16%	97.36%	98.08%	100.0%
2003	10.6889	13.5098	13.2264		13.5850
	78.68%	99.45%			
2004	11.6800	14.2857			14.6814
	79.56%				
2005	12.3148				15.1810
Average	81.12%	97.31%	97.36%	98.08%	100.0%

(iii) ULTIMATE PROJECTIONS

<i>Accident Year</i>	<i>No. of Claims</i>	<i>Cost per Claim</i>	<i>Projected Loss</i>
2002	50.00	9.8000	490.0
2003	55.21	13.5850	750.0
2004	60.74	14.6814	891.7
2005	65.89	15.1810	1000.3
Total			3132.0

Claims paid to date : Rs. 1821.3.

Reserve required : $3132 - 1821.3 = 1310.7$, i.e., Rs. 1,310,700. [11]

- Q.8)** (i) The given density is gamma with parameters $\alpha = 3$ and $\beta = 3/\mu$. Therefore, the mean is $\alpha/\beta = \mu$.

(ii) The log-density can be written as

$$\log \frac{27}{2} - 3 \log \mu + 2 \log y - 3 \frac{y}{\mu} = \frac{y \cdot \frac{1}{\mu} - \log \frac{1}{\mu}}{-\frac{1}{3}} + \log \frac{27}{2} + 2 \log y.$$

The first term is of the form $(y\theta - b(\theta))/a(\phi)$, where $\theta = 1/\mu$, $b(\theta) = \log(\theta)$ and $a(\phi) = -1/3$. Thus, this an exponential family with natural parameter $1/\mu$.

(iii) The canonical link function is the reciprocal function. Thus, the model is $1/\mu = \alpha + \beta x$. Given data (x_i, y_i) , $i = 1, 2, \dots, 20$, the log-likelihood for the parameters is

$$\sum_{i=1}^{20} \left(\log \frac{27}{2} - 3 \log \mu + 2 \log y_i - 3 \frac{y_i}{\mu} \right) \Bigg|_{\mu=1/(\alpha+\beta x_i)}.$$

Let $\mu_0 = 1/\alpha$ and $\mu_1 = 1/(\alpha + \beta)$. Then the likelihood function simplifies to

$$\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} \left(\log \frac{27}{2} - 3 \log \mu_0 + 2 \log y_i - 3 \frac{y_i}{\mu_0} \right) + \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=1}}^{20} \left(\log \frac{27}{2} - 3 \log \mu_1 + 2 \log y_i - 3 \frac{y_i}{\mu_1} \right).$$

The first sum depends only on μ_0 , while the second, only on μ_1 . The derivative of the likelihood with respect to μ_0 is

$$-3 \frac{n_0}{\mu_0} + 3 \frac{1}{\mu_0^2} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} y_i,$$

where n_0 is the number of cases with $x_i = 0$. The likelihood equation leads to the maximum likelihood estimator

$$\hat{\mu}_0 = \frac{1}{n_0} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} y_i.$$

The second derivative of the log-likelihood with respect to μ_0 , evaluated at $\mu_0 = \hat{\mu}_0$ is

$$3 \frac{n_0}{\hat{\mu}_0^2} - 6 \frac{1}{\hat{\mu}_0^3} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} y_i = 3 \frac{n_0}{\hat{\mu}_0^2} - 6 \frac{n_0}{\hat{\mu}_0^2} = -3 \frac{n_0}{\hat{\mu}_0^2} < 0.$$

Thus, $\hat{\mu}_0$ indeed corresponds to the unique maximum of the likelihood function. Likewise, the MLE of μ_1 is

$$\hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=1}}^{20} y_i,$$

where n_1 is the number of cases with $x_i = 1$. Thus, we have

$$\frac{1}{n_0} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} y_i = \hat{\mu}_0 = \frac{1}{\hat{\alpha}}, \quad \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=1}}^{20} y_i = \hat{\mu}_1 = \frac{1}{\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}}.$$

After eliminating $\hat{\alpha}$ from the two equations, we get

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{\hat{\mu}_1} - \frac{1}{\hat{\mu}_0} = n_1 \left(\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=1}}^{20} y_i \right)^{-1} - n_0 \left(\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ x_i=0}}^{20} y_i \right)^{-1}. \tag{9}$$

Q.9) (i) We have, the autocovariance at lags 0, 1 and 2 as under:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(0) &= \text{Var}(X_t) = \text{Var}(e_t + \theta e_{t-1}) = \sigma^2(1 + \theta^2), \\ \gamma(1) &= \text{Cov}(X_t, X_{t-1}) = \text{Cov}(e_t + \theta e_{t-1}, e_{t-1} + \theta e_{t-2}) = \theta\sigma^2. \end{aligned}$$

Likewise, $\gamma(k)$ for $|k| > 1$ is 0, and $\gamma(-1) = \theta\sigma^2$.

The autocorrelation function is

$$\rho(k) = \gamma(k)/\gamma(0) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \frac{\theta}{1+\theta^2} & \text{if } |k| = 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } |k| > 1. \end{cases}$$

(ii) It follows from part (i) that, the ACF should be non-zero only for $k = \pm 1$. The sample ACFs should follow this pattern. From the table, it is clear that this pattern is there for the column corresponding to $m = 2$ only. Therefore, the most reasonable choice for d is 2.

By matching the sample ACF $r(1)$ of column $m = 2$ with the value $\theta/(1 + \theta^2)$ obtained from part (i), we have the equation

$$\frac{\theta}{(1 + \theta^2)} = -.476.$$

Solving this equation, we get $\theta = -1.372$ or $\theta = -0.729$.

For invertibility, we choose $\theta = -0.729$. [8]

Q.10) (i) $M_S(t) = M_N(\log M_X(t))$.

$$M_X(t) = \int_0^\infty e^{tx} \theta e^{-\theta x} dx = \left[-\frac{\theta}{\theta - t} e^{-(\theta-t)x} \right]_0^\infty = \frac{\theta}{\theta - t}.$$

On the other hand,

$$M_N(t) = \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{e^{jt} e^{-\lambda} \lambda^j}{j!} = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{(e^t \lambda)^j}{j!} = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}.$$

It follows that

$$M_S(t) = e^{\lambda[\theta/(\theta-t)-1]} = e^{\lambda t/(\theta-t)}.$$

- (ii) For $Ga(\alpha, \nu)$, the mean is α/ν the second moment is $\alpha(\alpha+1)/\nu^2$, and the variance is α/ν^2 . For the prior distribution of λ , we have

$$\frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{\nu^2} = \frac{3}{2}, \quad \frac{\alpha}{\nu^2} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

After solving these equations, we get $\alpha = 2$, $\nu = 2$. Therefore, the prior mean is $\alpha/\nu = 1$.

By substituting $\lambda = 1$ and $\theta = 0.005$, we have from part (i) the MGF of aggregate claim as $e^{t/(0.005-t)}$.

- (iii) The likelihood function for λ is

$$\prod_{i=1}^8 \left(\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{n_i}}{n_i!} \right) \propto e^{-8\lambda} \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^8 n_i} = e^{-8\lambda} \lambda^5.$$

From part (ii), the prior distribution for λ is $Ga(2, 2)$. Therefore, the posterior distribution for λ is proportional to

$$e^{-8\lambda} \lambda^5 \times \lambda^{2-1} e^{-2\lambda} = \lambda^{7-1} e^{-10\lambda},$$

which is immediately recognized as $Ga(7, 10)$. The Bayes estimate of λ is the posterior mean, which is 0.7.

- (iv) Solving the moment equations for the prior distribution of θ , we have

$$\frac{\alpha}{\nu} = 0.005, \quad \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\nu} = 0.001, \quad \text{i.e., } \nu = 5000, \quad \alpha = 25.$$

Therefore, the prior distribution of θ is $Ga(25, 5000)$.

The likelihood function for θ is

$$\prod_{i=1}^5 (\theta e^{-\theta x_i}) = \theta^5 e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^5 x_i} = \theta^5 e^{-1129.71\theta}.$$

Therefore, the posterior distribution of θ is proportional to

$$\theta^5 e^{-1129.71\theta} \times \theta^{25-1} e^{-5000\theta} = \theta^{30-1} e^{-6129.71\theta},$$

which is $Ga(30, 6129.71)$. The Bayes estimate of θ is the posterior mean, $30/6129.71 = 0.00489$.

- (v) By substituting $\lambda = 0.7$ and $\theta = 0.00489$ in the result of part (i), we get the MGF of aggregate claim as $e^{0.7t/(0.00489-t)}$.
- (vi) From the result of part (i), we have

$$M_S(t) = e^{\lambda t/(\theta-t)}.$$

Hence, $M'_S(t) = \left[\frac{\lambda}{\theta-t} + \frac{\lambda t}{(\theta-t)^2} \right] M_S(t),$

$$M_S''(t) = \left[\frac{\lambda}{\theta - t} + \frac{\lambda t}{(\theta - t)^2} \right]^2 M_S(t) + \left[\frac{\lambda}{(\theta - t)^2} + \frac{\lambda}{(\theta - t)^2} + \frac{2\lambda t}{(\theta - t)^3} \right] M_S(t).$$

$$\text{Therefore, } E(S) = M_S'(0) = \frac{\lambda}{\theta},$$

$$E(S^2) = M_S''(0) = \frac{\lambda^2}{\theta^2} + \frac{2\lambda}{\theta^2},$$

$$\text{Var}(S) = E(S^2) - [E(S)]^2 = \frac{2\lambda}{\theta^2}.$$

Substituting the prior means and Bayes estimates of the parameters from parts (ii) and (iv), we have $\text{Var}(S) = 80000$ and 58548 , respectively. Thus, a considerable reduction in the variance of S has resulted from claim information of the last eight years. [12]