

STAT 473, Test 1, Spring 2007, Study Guide

Important: In general, unless the problem states otherwise, unevaluated expressions, such as $(1 - e^{-(.03)^6}) / (1 + (1.03)^{-2})$ and $\frac{1}{65} \int_0^5 e^{-.05t} dt$ are just as acceptable as numeric answers, as long as the answer can in principle be reduced to a number. It is even acceptable to give an answer of the form “ $P = A_x / \ddot{a}_x$ where A_x is as computed in problem 1a and $\ddot{a}_x = \dots$ ”.

If I were studying for this test, I would certainly prepare for the following question types. Note: I can of course always change constant force problems into De Moivre, especially if I don't ask you to evaluate the integral. The symbols (WA, # B) refer to homework problem B for week A.

Note: I do not intend to ask any Markov-reserve questions.

- (1) A shock problem using last survivor. (W1, # 3)
- (2) I could ask, say, for “the probability of withdrawal between ages 20-25 due to either decrement (a) or decrement (b).” (W1 #2, W2 # 2). I could also ask such a question based on a multiple decrement table.
- (3) Construct a multiple decrement table. (Bowers Exercise 10.17)
- (4) Convert between q and q' (or p and p') using either UDD or constant force between decrements. [Formulas (10.5.9), (10.5.12), the formula at the bottom of p. 330, and formula (10.6.3), p. 329. Note: The latter two formulas assume ${}_tq^{(i)}$ is UDD while the former two work if ${}_tq^{(i)}$ is either UDD or constant force. The condition “ ${}_tq^{(i)}$ is UDD” is described as “UDD in each associated decrement” and “ ${}_tq^{(i)}$ is UDD” is described by “each decrement and the total decrement are UDD.” Confusing? You bet!]
- (5) Compute various probabilities from either a multiple decrement table or a given distribution. (Bowers Exercise 10.4)
- (6) Compute APV for policies that pay differing amounts for different decrements. (Bowers Exercise 11.2)
- (7) Compute the expense loaded premium. (Bowers, Exercise 15.5, 15.10(b).)
- (8) Asset share computations.
- (9) Markov annuity (payment when there is no transition).

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(10) Markov insurance (payment when there is a transition).