

Manual for SOA Exam MLC.

Chapter 5. Life annuities.

Section 5.7. Computing present values from a life table

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Recall that:

Theorem 1

Assuming a uniform distribution of deaths, we have that:

$$(i) \bar{A}_x = \frac{i}{\delta} A_x.$$

$$(ii) \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 = \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1.$$

$$(iii) n|\bar{A}_x = \frac{i}{\delta} \cdot n|A_x.$$

$$(iv) \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 + A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{\overline{1}|}.$$

Theorem 2

Assuming a uniform distribution of deaths, we have that:

$$(i) A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x.$$

$$(ii) A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)1} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1.$$

$$(iii) n|A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot n|A_x.$$

$$(iv) A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 + A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{\overline{1}|}.$$

Whole life annuities

Recall that:

$$\ddot{a}_x = \frac{1 - A_x}{d},$$

$$a_x = \frac{v - A_x}{d},$$

$$\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_x}{\delta},$$

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}},$$

$$a_x^{(m)} = \frac{v^{1/m} - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}.$$

Theorem 3

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}},$$

$$a_x^{(m)} = \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}},$$

$$\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.$$

Theorem 3

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}},$$

$$a_x^{(m)} = \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}},$$

$$\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.$$

Proof: Using that $\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}$, $A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x$ and $\ddot{a}_x = \frac{1 - A_x}{d}$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{a}_x^{(m)} &= \frac{1 - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} (1 - d\ddot{a}_x)}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{di}{d^{(m)} i^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}}}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} &= \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}, \\ a_x^{(m)} &= \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}, \\ \bar{a}_x &= \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.\end{aligned}$$

Proof: Using that $a_x^{(m)} = \frac{v^{1/m} - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}$, $A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x$ and $a_x = \frac{v - A_x}{d}$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned}a_x^{(m)} &= \frac{v^{1/m} - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} (v - da_x)}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{d \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{v^{1/m} + v \frac{i}{i^{(m)}}}{d^{(m)}}}{d^{(m)}}.\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} &= \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}, \\ a_x^{(m)} &= \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}, \\ \bar{a}_x &= \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.\end{aligned}$$

Proof: We have that

$$\frac{v^{1/m} + v \frac{i}{i^{(m)}}}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{v^{1/m} i^{(m)} - vi}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} = \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}.$$

So,

$$a_x^{(m)} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}.$$

Theorem 3

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}},$$

$$a_x^{(m)} = \frac{v^{1/m} - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}},$$

$$\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.$$

Proof: We know that $\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_x}{\delta}$, $\bar{A}_x = \frac{i}{\delta} A_x$ and $\ddot{a}_x = \frac{1 - A_x}{d}$.
Hence,

$$\bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_x}{\delta} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} (1 - d\ddot{a}_x)}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2}.$$

Example 1

Consider the life table

x	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
l_x	250	217	161	107	62	28	0

Suppose that $i = 6.5\%$.

- (i) Calculate $\ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)}$, $a_{80}^{(12)}$ and \bar{a}_{80} using that $A_{80} = 0.8161901166$.
- (ii) Calculate $\ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)}$, $a_{80}^{(12)}$ and \bar{a}_{80} using that $\ddot{a}_{80} = 3.011654244$.

Solution: (i) We have that $i = 6.5\%$,

$$d = \frac{0.065}{1+0.065} = 6.103286385\%,$$

$$i^{(12)} = 12\left((1 + 0.065)^{\frac{1}{12}} - 1\right) = 6.314033132\%,$$

$$d^{(12)} = 12\left(1 - (1 + 0.065)^{-\frac{1}{12}}\right) = 6.280984512\%. \text{ So,}$$

$$\ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)} = (50000) \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(12)}} A_x}{d^{(12)}} = \frac{1 - \frac{0.065}{0.06314033132} (0.8161901166)}{0.06280984512}$$

$$= 2.543720348,$$

$$a_{80}^{(12)} = \ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)} - 1 = 2.543720348 - 1 = 1.543720348,$$

$$\bar{a}_{80} = \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_x}{\delta} = \frac{1 - \frac{0.065}{\ln(1.065)} 0.8161901166}{\ln(1.065)} = 2.501986537.$$

Solution: (ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)} &= \frac{id}{i^{(12)}d^{(12)}} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(12)} - i}{i^{(12)}d^{(12)}} \\
 &= \frac{(0.065)(0.06103286385)}{(0.06314033132)(0.06280984512)} (3.011654244) \\
 &\quad + \frac{0.06314033132 - 0.065}{(0.06314033132)(0.06280984512)} \\
 &= 2.543720349, \\
 a_{80}^{(12)} &= \ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)} - 1 = 2.543720349 - 1 = 1.543720349, \\
 \bar{a}_{80} &= \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2} = \frac{(0.065)(0.06103286385)}{(\ln(1.065))^2} (3.011654244) \\
 &\quad + \frac{\ln(1.065) - (0.065)}{(\ln(1.065))^2} \\
 &= 2.501986538.
 \end{aligned}$$

Deferred annuities

Recall that:

$${}_n| \ddot{a}_x = {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n} = \frac{{}_nE_x - {}_n|A_x}{d},$$

$${}_n| \bar{a}_x = {}_nE_x \bar{a}_{x+n} = \frac{{}_nE_x - {}_n|A_x}{d},$$

$${}_n| \ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)} = \frac{{}_nE_x - {}_n|A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}},$$

$${}_n| a_x^{(m)} = {}_n| \ddot{a}_x^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x,$$

Theorem 4

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$${}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{{}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|\ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_nE_x,$$

$${}_n|a_x^{(m)} = {}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m}{}_nE_x = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_nE_x,$$

$${}_n|\bar{a}_x = \frac{{}_nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} \cdot {}_n|A_x}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \cdot {}_n|\ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2} {}_nE_x.$$

Proof: For the deferred life annuity due, using that

$${}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)}, \quad \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_{x+n}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}, \quad A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x, \quad {}_nE_x A_{x+n} = {}_n|A_x$$

and ${}_n|\ddot{a}_x = \frac{{}_nE_x - {}_n|A_x}{d}$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} {}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} &= {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)} = {}_nE_x \frac{1 - A_{x+n}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} = {}_nE_x \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x+n}}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{{}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|A_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{{}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot ({}_nE_x - d \cdot {}_n|\ddot{a}_x)}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|\ddot{a}_x + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_nE_x. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: For a deferred life annuity immediate, using that

$${}_n|a_x^{(m)} = {}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x, \quad {}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)}, \quad \ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_x^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}},$$

$$A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x, \text{ we get that}$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}_n|a_x^{(m)} &= {}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x = {}_nE_x \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x = {}_nE_x \frac{1 - A_{x+n}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x \\ &= {}_nE_x \frac{1 - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x+n}}{d^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x = \frac{{}_nE_x (1 - \frac{d^{(m)}}{m}) - {}_nE_x \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x+n}}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{v^{1/m} \cdot {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|A_x}{d^{(m)}} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} {}_n|a_x^{(m)} &= {}_nE_x a_{x+n}^{(m)} = {}_nE_x \left(\frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \right) \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_n|a_x + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \cdot {}_nE_x \end{aligned}$$

Proof: For a deferred continuous life annuity, using that

$$n|\bar{a}_x = nE_x \bar{a}_{x+n}, \quad \bar{a}_x = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_x}{\delta} \quad \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}}^1 = \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}}^1, \quad nE_x A_{x+n} = n|A_x \quad \text{and}$$

$$n|\ddot{a}_x = \frac{nE_x - n|A_x}{d}, \quad \text{we get that}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n|\bar{a}_x &= nE_x \bar{a}_{x+n} = nE_x \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x+n}}{\delta} = nE_x \frac{1 - \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x+n}}{\delta} = \frac{nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} \cdot n|A_x}{\delta} \\ &= \frac{nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} \cdot (nE_x - d \cdot n|\ddot{a}_x)}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \cdot n|\ddot{a}_x + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2} \cdot nE_x. \end{aligned}$$

Temporary annuities

Recall that

$$\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}}{d},$$

$$\bar{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}}{\delta},$$

$$\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}},$$

$$a_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m} {}_nE_x,$$

Theorem 5

Under a uniform distribution of deaths within each year,

$$\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{j^{(m)}} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{j^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{j^{(m)} - i}{j^{(m)}d^{(m)}} (1 - {}_nE_x),$$

$$a_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{id}{j^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{j^{(m)}d^{(m)}} (1 - {}_nE_x),$$

$$\bar{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1}{\delta} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2} (1 - {}_nE_x).$$

Proof: For a n -year term life annuity due, using that

$$\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}, \quad A_{x:\bar{n}|} = A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 + {}_nE_x, \quad A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x, \quad \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}}{d},$$

we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} &= \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 - {}_nE_x}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} (1 - d\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} - {}_nE_x)}{d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} (1 - {}_nE_x) \end{aligned}$$

Proof: For a n -year term life annuity immediate, using that

$$a_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m} n E_x, \quad \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}, \quad A_{x:\bar{n}|} = A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 + n E_x,$$

$$A_x^{(m)} = \frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_x, \quad \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}}{d}, \quad , \quad \text{we get that}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} &= \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} - \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m} n E_x \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} (1 - n E_x) - \frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m} n E_x \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} (1 + a_{x:\bar{n}|} - n E_x) + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} (1 - n E_x) - \frac{1}{m} (1 - n E_x) \\ &= \frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} a_{x:\bar{n}|} + (1 - n E_x) \left(\frac{id}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{m} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof: We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} + \frac{i^{(m)} - i}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{m} &= \frac{id + i^{(m)} - i + \frac{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}{m}}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{i^{(m)}\left(1 - \frac{d^{(m)}}{m}\right) - i(1 - d)}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} \\ &= \frac{i^{(m)}v^{1/m} - iv}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} = \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$a_{x:\bar{n}|}^{(m)} = \frac{id}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} a_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{d^{(m)} - d}{i^{(m)}d^{(m)}} (1 - {}_nE_x).$$

For a n -year term life continuous annuity, using that

$$\bar{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}}{\delta}, \quad \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 + {}_nE_x, \quad \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 = \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1, \quad \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} = \frac{1 - A_{x:\bar{n}|}}{d},$$

we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} &= \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}}{\delta} = \frac{1 - \bar{A}_{x:\bar{n}|}^1 - {}_nE_x}{\delta} = \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} A_{x:\bar{n}|}^1}{\delta} \\ &= \frac{1 - {}_nE_x - \frac{i}{\delta} (1 - d\ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} - {}_nE_x)}{d^{(m)}} = \frac{id}{\delta^2} \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} + \frac{\delta - i}{\delta^2} (1 - {}_nE_x). \end{aligned}$$

Linear interpolation of the actuarial discount factor.

Another way to interpolate is to assume that actuarial discount factor is linear. If we assume ${}_{k+\frac{j}{m}}E_x = v^{k+\frac{j}{m}} \cdot {}_{k+\frac{j}{m}}p_x$ is linear in j , then

$${}_{k+\frac{j}{m}}E_x = {}_kE_x - \frac{j}{m}({}_{k+1}E_x - {}_kE_x), j = 0, 1, \dots, m-1.$$

The actuarial discount factor appears in annuities computations. We have that

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{\frac{k}{m}} \cdot {}_{\frac{k}{m}}p_x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} v^{k+\frac{j}{m}} \cdot {}_{k+\frac{j}{m}}p_x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} {}_{k+\frac{j}{m}}E_x.$$

Theorem 6

Assuming that ${}_k+\frac{j}{m}E_x$ is linear in j , then

$$\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \ddot{a}_x - \frac{m-1}{2m},$$

$$\ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}^{(m)} = \ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} - \frac{m-1}{2m}(1 - {}_nE_x),$$

$${}_n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = {}_n|\ddot{a}_x - \frac{m-1}{2m} \cdot {}_nE_x.$$

Proof: Using that $\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} j = \frac{(m-1)m}{2}$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{a}_x^{(m)} &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} k + \frac{j}{m} E_x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(k E_x - \frac{j}{m} (k+1 E_x - k E_x) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(k E_x - \frac{m-1}{2} (k+1 E_x - k E_x) \right) \\ &= \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k E_x + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k+1 E_x \\ &= \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k E_x + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k E_x \\ &= \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k E_x + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k E_x - \frac{m-1}{2m} = \ddot{a}_x - \frac{m-1}{2m}. \end{aligned}$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}^{(m)} &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} v^{k+\frac{j}{m}} \cdot {}_kE_x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(v^k \cdot {}_kE_x - \frac{j}{m} ({}_{k+1}E_x - {}_kE_x) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left(v^k \cdot {}_kE_x - \frac{m-1}{2} ({}_{k+1}E_x - {}_kE_x) \right) \\
 &= \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {}_kE_x + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {}_{k+1}E_x \\
 &= \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {}_kE_x + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=1}^n {}_kE_x = \frac{m+1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {}_kE_x \\
 &\quad + \frac{m-1}{2m} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} {}_kE_x - \frac{m-1}{2m} + \frac{m-1}{2m} {}_nE_x \\
 &= \ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} - \frac{m-1}{2m} (1 - {}_nE_x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using that $\ddot{a}_x^{(m)} = \ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|}^{(m)} + n|\ddot{a}_x^{(m)}$ and $\ddot{a}_x = \ddot{a}_{x:\overline{n}|} + n|\ddot{a}_x$, we can get the last formula.

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Solution: Using that $\ddot{a}_{80} = 3.011654244$, we get that

$$\ddot{a}_{80}^{(12)} = 3.011654244 - \frac{12 - 1}{(2)(12)} = 2.553320911.$$

In the continuous case, we assume ${}_{k+t}E_x = v^{k+t} \cdot {}_{k+t}p_x$ is linear in t , $0 \leq t \leq 1$. In this case

$${}_{k+t}E_x = {}_kE_x - t({}_{k+1}E_x - {}_kE_x), 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

Letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in the previous theorem, we get that:

Theorem 7

Assuming that ${}_{k+t}E_x$ is linear in t , $0 \leq t \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{a}_x &= \ddot{a}_x - \frac{1}{2}, \\ \bar{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} &= \ddot{a}_{x:\bar{n}|} - \frac{1}{2}(1 - {}_nE_x), \\ n|\bar{a}_x &= n|\ddot{a}_x - \frac{1}{2} \cdot {}_nE_x.\end{aligned}$$