
SOCIETY OF ACTUARIES
Introduction to Ratemaking & Reserving

Exam GIIRR

AFTERNOON SESSION

Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2015

Time: 1:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

General Instructions

1. This afternoon session consists of 8 questions numbered 14 through 21 for a total of 40 points. The points for each question are indicated at the beginning of the question.
2. Failure to stop writing after time is called will result in the disqualification of your answers or further disciplinary action.
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****BEGINNING OF EXAMINATION****

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Beginning with Question 14

14. (6 points) You are given this summary of rate changes applied by ABC Auto Insurer:

Calendar Year	Earned Premiums	Rate Change % in Year	Effective Date of Rate Change
2011	22,000	6%	July 1, 2011
2012	24,000	10%	October 1, 2012
2013	27,000	8%	July 1, 2013
2014	25,000	-12%	July 1, 2014
2015	23,000	8%	July 1, 2015

- Premiums are written evenly throughout the year.
- Premiums are earned evenly throughout the policy term.
- All policies are written for twelve-month policy terms.
- Each rate change applies to all policies written on or after the effective date of the rate change.

- (a) (2 points) Calculate the weighted average rate level relative value for each of 2011 and 2012, using a rate level relative value of 1 at the beginning of 2011.
- (b) (1.5 points) Calculate the premium on-level factor for 2012 for the purpose of:
- Projecting ultimate claims as of December 31, 2015
 - Ratemaking analysis

A mandated rate reduction of 15% has been applied on September 1, 2012 that is effective for all new and in-force policies.

- (c) (2.5 points) Calculate the weighted average rate level for 2012.

15. (4 points) You are given the following information for a group of claims in run-off:

	Amounts as of			
	June 30, 2013	Dec. 31, 2013	June 30, 2014	Dec. 31, 2014
Cumulative Paid Claims	0	10,000	25,000	40,000
Case Reserves	30,000	60,000	50,000	25,000

- Ultimate claims are reviewed annually on June 30.
- At June 30, 2013, the actuary estimated ultimate claims to be 100,000.
- At June 30, 2014, the actuary changed the estimate of ultimate claims to be 90,000.

- (a) (0.5 points) Determine the IBNR reserves recorded in the December 31, 2013 balance sheet.
- (b) (0.5 points) Determine the IBNR reserves recorded in the December 31, 2014 balance sheet.
- (c) (1 point) Determine the calendar year incurred claims recorded in the 2014 income statement.

You are also given the following information related to one claim file included in the data above. The accident occurred on July 1, 2013 and the claim was closed on March 1, 2015.

Trans. #	Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Change in Case Estimate	Indemnity Payment	ALAE Payment
1	Oct 1, 2013	Open new claim file	+250		
2	Nov 1, 2013	Payment on reported file			50
3	Apr 1, 2014	Change in case estimate	+100		
4	Oct 1, 2014	Payment and change in case estimate	-325	300	25
5	Mar 1, 2015	Close reported claim file	-25	100	25

- (d) (1.5 points) Calculate the incremental claims paid (including ALAE) and incremental reported claims at the end of calendar years 2013, 2014 and 2015 for this claim.
- (e) (0.5 points) Identify a situation where the reported claims may decrease over time.

16. (6 points)

- (a) (1 point) Describe two considerations in selecting development factors.

You are given the following information regarding automobile collision data:

Accident Year	Reported Claims			
	12	24	36	48
2011	1,000	2,350	2,820	3,102
2012	900	2,160	3,456	
2013	1,200	2,520		
2014	1,300			

Assume a tail factor of 1.02 at 48 months development.

- (b) (2 points) Calculate ultimate claims for all accident years using the development method and a simple all-year average of the age-to-age development factors.

You are monitoring reported claim activity on a quarterly basis and are given the following additional information:

Accident Year	Actual Reported Claims as of March 31, 2015
2012	3,659
2013	2,950
2014	1,983

- (c) (1 point) Calculate the expected reported claims as of March 31, 2015 for accident years 2012, 2013 and 2014, using a linear interpolation of the expected percentage reported derived from the cumulative development factors.
- (d) (1 point) Describe two possible explanations for the differences between the actual reported claims as of March 31, 2015 and the results from part (c).
- (e) (1 point) Recommend an action to either resolve or investigate each explanation identified in part (d).

17. (4 points) You are estimating ultimate property claims for ratemaking purposes.

- (a) (0.5 points) Explain one advantage of applying a large claim loading to limited claims instead of using total limits claims.

You are given the following information:

Accident Year	Selected Ultimate Claims at 500,000 Limit	Selected Ultimate Claims at Total Limits	Trend Period to Future Rating Period (Months)
2012	6,200	7,400	45
2013	6,300	7,300	33
2014	6,400	8,800	21

The annual severity trend rates are 5% for 500,000 limit claims and 6% for total limits claims.

- (b) (1.5 points) Calculate the loading for large claims for each accident year, adjusted to the future rating period.
- (c) (0.5 points) Select a loading for large claims based on the calculations in part (b). Justify your selection.
- (d) (0.5 points) Calculate the relative severity trend rate for the 500,000 to total limits layer.
- (e) (1 point) Calculate the indicated ultimate claims for accident year 2013 by applying the loading for large claims selected in part (c).

- 18.** (5 points) The expected loss size on Policy A with a policy limit of 200 can be expressed as

$$\int_0^{200} x dF(x) + 200[1 - F(200)] = \int_0^{200} [1 - F(x)] dx ,$$

where F is the cumulative distribution function of losses.

One side of the equation can be viewed as the sum of vertical strips and the other side of the equation can be viewed as the sum of horizontal strips.

- (a) (2 points) Illustrate this concept using a graph with labels to show how the graph relates to the equation above.

Policyholder losses follow an exponential distribution with mean 100. The expected loss size on Policy A is 86.47.

- (b) (1.5 points) Calculate the expected loss size on Policy A after one year and after two years, assuming an annual loss trend of 10%.
- (c) (0.5 points) Explain why the expected loss size on Policy A increases by less than 10% per year.
- (d) (1 point) Explain why the percentage increase in the expected loss size on Policy A during the second year is smaller than the percentage increase during the first year.

19. (6 points) You are reviewing several lines of business where conditions have been changing.

You are analyzing the reported development triangle for a line of business where the ultimate claim ratio is increasing unexpectedly due to inadequate price increases. All other aspects of the business are in a steady-state environment.

- (a) (1 point) Explain what effect the claim ratio deterioration will have on reported claim development factors.
- (b) (1 point) Explain which of the following two methods is likely to produce a more accurate estimate of ultimate claims under this scenario:
 - (i) the reported development method, or
 - (ii) the reported Bornhuetter Ferguson method.

You are analyzing the reported development triangle for a property-liability package line of business where the mix of business is changing unexpectedly to become more heavily weighted on liability. The liability development is longer-tailed than the property development, and has higher development factors. The liability claims ratio is also higher than the property claims ratio.

- (c) (1 point) Explain what effect the change in mix of business will have on the reported claim development factors.
- (d) (1 point) Explain which of the following two methods is likely to produce a more accurate estimate of ultimate claims under this scenario:
 - (i) the reported development method, or
 - (ii) the reported Cape Cod method.

You are analyzing the reported development triangle for a workers compensation line of business where a state-legislated change 18 months ago increased workers compensation benefit levels on all open claims. All other aspects of the business are in a steady-state environment.

- (e) (1 point) Explain what effect the legislative change will have on the reported claim development factors.

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- (f) (*1 point*) Explain which of the following two methods is likely to produce a more accurate estimate of ultimate claims under this scenario:
- (i) the reported Bornhuetter Ferguson method, or
 - (ii) the reported Cape Cod method.

- 20.** (4 points) XYZ Insurer changed its marketing plans a few years ago to promote its 5% discount offered for automobile insurance when a policyholder's homeowners insurance is also with XYZ. The following information is provided:

Calendar Year Experience Period	Proportion of Automobile Policyholders with 5% Discount
2011	15.0%
2012	21.0%
2013	23.0%
2014	25.0%

- (a) (1.5 points) Calculate and select the annual premium trend to account for changes in the proportion of automobile policyholders with the 5% discount.

You are conducting a premium trend analysis for rates to be effective October 1, 2015. It is assumed that the proportion of policyholders receiving the 5% discount in 2014 has reached a steady-state position, and that no further change will occur in the distribution of policyholders with this discount.

- (b) (1.5 points) Calculate the trend factor to be used for 2012 using written premiums for the trending analysis and the annual trend selected in part (a).
- (c) (1 point) Explain an advantage of using written premiums instead of earned premiums for premium trend analyses.

21. (5 points)

- (a) (1 point) Describe two considerations appropriate for self-insured entities in choosing either the pure premium or the claim ratio approach for a ratemaking analysis.

You are given the following information:

Accident Year	Earned Vehicles	Ultimate Counts	Trended Ultimate Pure Premium
2010	87,600	1,433	181
2011	82,800	1,517	184
2012	78,300	1,174	172
2013	78,400	1,114	161
2014	81,100	1,135	178

- The full credibility standard is 4,331 ultimate counts.
 - Fixed expenses per vehicle are 35.
 - The ratio of non-premium related expenses to claims is 7%.
 - The permissible claim ratio is 80%.
- (b) (1 point) Recommend the number of years to include in the weighted average pure premium for the ratemaking analysis. Justify your recommendation.
- (c) (1 point) Calculate the weighted average pure premium.
- (d) (1 point) Calculate the indicated rate.

The current rate per unit of exposure adjusted for trend and premium changes is 250.

- (e) (1 point) Calculate the experience claim ratio.

****END OF EXAMINATION****
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