## Annuities

Lecture: Weeks 8-9

## What are annuities?

An annuity is a series of payments that could vary according to:

- timing of payment

- with fixed maturity

- more frequently than once a year


$n$-year annuity-immediate

annuity-immediate payable $m$-thly

- payable continuously
continuous annuity

- varying benefits


## Review of annuities-certain

annuity-due

## annuity-immediate

- payable annually

$$
\ddot{a}_{\bar{n} \mid}=\sum_{k=0}^{n} v^{k-1}=\frac{1-v^{n}}{d}
$$

$$
a_{\bar{n} \mid}=\sum_{k=1}^{n} v^{k}=\frac{1-v^{n}}{i}
$$

- payable $m$ times a year

$$
\ddot{a}_{\bar{n}}^{(m)}=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{m n-1} v^{k / m}=\frac{1-v^{n}}{d^{(m)}} \quad a_{\bar{n}}^{(m)}=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m n} v^{k}=\frac{1-v^{n}}{i^{(m)}}
$$

continuous annuity

$$
\bar{a}_{\bar{n} \mid}=\int_{0}^{n} v^{t} d t=\frac{1-v^{n}}{\delta}
$$

## Chapter summary

- Life annuities
- series of benefits paid contingent upon survival of a given life
- single life considered
- actuarial present values (APV) or expected present values (EPV)
- actuarial symbols and notation
- Types of annuities
- discrete - due or immediate
- payable more frequently than once a year
- continuous
- varying payments
- "Current payment techniques" APV formulas
- Chapter 5 of Dickson, et al.


## Whole life annuity-due

- Pays a benefit of a unit $\$ 1$ at the beginning of each year that the annuitant $(x)$ survives.
- The present value random variable is

$$
Y=\ddot{a} \overline{K+1}
$$

where $K$, in short for $K_{x}$, is the curtate future lifetime of $(x)$.

- The actuarial present value of a whole life annuity-due is

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{x} & =\mathrm{E}[Y]=\mathrm{E}[\ddot{a} \overline{K+1}]=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \ddot{a}_{\overline{k+1}} \operatorname{Pr}[K=k] \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \ddot{a}_{\overline{k+1}} \cdot{ }_{k \mid} q_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \ddot{a}_{\overline{k+1}} \cdot{ }_{k} p_{x} q_{x+k}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Current payment technique

By writing the PV random variable as

$$
Y=I(T>0)+v I(T>1)+v^{2} I(T>2)+\cdots=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k} I(T>k)
$$

one can immediately deduce that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{x} & =\mathrm{E}[Y]=\mathrm{E}\left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k} I(T>k)\right] \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k} \mathrm{E}[I(T>k)]=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k} \operatorname{Pr}[T>k] \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}{ }_{k} E_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A_{x: \frac{1}{k}} .
\end{aligned}
$$

A straightforward proof of $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \ddot{a}_{\overline{k+1}} \cdot{ }_{k} q_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}$ is in Example 5.1.

## Current payment technique - continued

- The commonly used formula $\ddot{a}_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}$ is the so-called current payment technique for evaluating life annuities.
- Indeed, this formula gives us another intuitive interpretation of what life annuities are: they are nothing but sums of pure endowments (you get a benefit each time you survive).
- The primary difference lies in when you view the payments: one gives the series of payments made upon death, the other gives the payment made each time you survive.


## Some useful formulas

By recalling that $\ddot{a} \frac{1-v^{K+1}}{d}$, we can use this to derive:

- relationship to whole life insurance

$$
\ddot{a}_{x}=\mathrm{E}\left[\frac{1-v^{K+1}}{d}\right]=\frac{1}{d}\left(1-A_{x}\right) .
$$

Alternatively, we write: $A_{x}=1-d \ddot{a}_{x}$. very important formula!

- the variance formula

$$
\operatorname{Var}[Y]=\operatorname{Var}[\ddot{a} \overline{K+1}]=\frac{1}{d^{2}} \operatorname{Var}\left[v^{K+1}\right]=\frac{1}{d^{2}}\left[{ }^{2} A_{x}-\left(A_{x}\right)^{2}\right] .
$$

## Illustrative example 1

Suppose you are interested in valuing a whole life annuity-due issued to (95). You are given:

- $i=5 \%$, and
- the following extract from a life table:

| $x$ | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ell_{x}$ | 100 | 70 | 40 | 20 | 4 | 0 |

(1) Express the present value random variable for a whole life annuity-due to (95).
(2) Calculate the expected value of this random variable.
(3) Calculate the variance of this random variable.

## Traditional life annuities - discrete

| Annuity Type | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \hline \text { PV r.v. } \\ & Y \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { APV } \\ & \mathrm{E}[Y] \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Current payment technique | Variance <br> $\operatorname{Var}[Y]$ | Relationship to insurance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| whole life | $\ddot{a}_{\overline{K+1}}$ | $\ddot{a}_{x}$ | $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}$ | $\frac{1}{d^{2}}\left[{ }^{2} A_{x}-\left(A_{x}\right)^{2}\right]$ | $\frac{1}{d}\left(1-A_{x}\right)$ |
| temporary life | $\ddot{a}_{\overline{\min (K+1, n)}}$ | $\ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}$ | $\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} v_{k}^{k} p_{x}$ | $\frac{1}{d^{2}}\left[{ }^{2} A_{x: \bar{n} \mid}-\left(A_{x: \bar{n})}\right)^{2}\right]$ | $\frac{1}{d}\left(1-A_{x: \bar{n}}\right)$ |
| deferred life | ${ }_{n \mid} \ddot{a}_{\overline{K+1-n}} I(K \geq n)$ | ${ }_{n \mid} \ddot{\mid}_{x}$ | $\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}$ | complicated | $\frac{1}{d}\left({ }_{n} E_{x}-{ }_{n \mid} A_{x}\right)$ |

## Illustrative example 2

Suppose you are interested in valuing a 2-year deferred whole life annuity-due issued to (95). You are given:

- $i=6 \%$ and
- the following extract from a life table:

| $x$ | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\ell_{x}$ | 1000 | 750 | 400 | 225 | 75 | 0 |

(1) Express the present value random variable for this annuity.
(2) Calculate the expected value of this random variable.
(3) Calculate the variance of this random variable.

## Recursive relationships

- The following relationships are easy to show:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{x} & =1+v p_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+1}=1+{ }_{1} E_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+1} \\
& =1+v p_{x}+v^{2}{ }_{2} p_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+2}=1+{ }_{1} E_{x}+{ }_{2} E_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+2}
\end{aligned}
$$

- In general, because $E$ 's are multiplicative, we can generalized this recursions to

$$
\begin{aligned}
\ddot{a}_{x}= & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty}{ }_{k} E_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{n-1}{ }_{k} E_{x}+\sum_{k=n}^{\infty}{ }_{k} E_{x} \\
& \text { apply change of variable } k^{*}=k-n \\
= & \ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}+\sum_{k^{*}=0}^{\infty}{ }_{n} E_{x k^{*}} E_{x+n}=\ddot{a}_{x: \overline{n \mid}}+{ }_{n} E_{x} \sum_{k^{*}=0}^{\infty}{ }_{k^{*}} E_{x+n} \\
= & \ddot{a}_{x: \overline{n \mid}}+{ }_{n} E_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+n}=\ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}+{ }_{n \mid} \ddot{a}_{x}
\end{aligned}
$$

- The last term shows that a whole life annuity is the sum of a term life annuity and a deferred life annuity.


Figure: Comparing APV of a whole life annuity-due for based on the Standard Ultimate Life Table (Makeham with $A=0.00022, B=2.7 \times 10^{-6}, c=1.124$ ). Left figure: varying $i$. Right figure: varying $c$ with $i=5 \%$

## Whole life annuity-immediate

- Procedures and principles for annuity-due can be adapted for annuity-immediate.
- Consider the whole life annuity-immediate, the PV random variable is clearly $Y=a_{\bar{K} \mid}$ so that APV is given by

$$
a_{x}=\mathrm{E}[Y]=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{\bar{K} \mid} \cdot{ }_{k} p_{x} q_{x+k}=\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x} .
$$

- Relationship to life insurance:

$$
Y=\frac{1}{i}\left(1-v^{K}\right)=\frac{1}{i}\left[1-(1+i) v^{K+1}\right]
$$

leads to $1=i a_{x}+(1+i) A_{x}$.

- Interpretation of this equation - to be discussed in class.


## Other types of life annuity-immediate

- For an $n$-year life annuity-immediate:
- Find expression for the present value random variable.
- Express formulas for its actuarial present value or expectation.
- Find expression for the variance of the present value random variable.
- For an $n$-year deferred whole life annuity-immediate:
- Find expression for the present value random variable.
- Give expressions for the actuarial present value.
- Details to be discussed in lecture.


## Life annuities with m-thly payments

In practice, life annuities are often payable more frequently than once a year, e.g. monthly $(m=12)$, quarterly $(m=4)$, or semi-annually ( $m=2$ ).
Here, we define the random variable $K_{x}^{(m)}$, or simply $K^{(m)}$, to be the complete future lifetime rounded down to the nearest $1 / m$-th of a year.

For example, if the observed $T=45.86$ for a life $(x)$ and $m=4$, then the observed $K^{(4)}$ is $45 \frac{3}{4}$.
Indeed, we can write

$$
K^{(m)}=\frac{1}{m}\lfloor m T\rfloor,
$$

where $\rfloor$ is greatest integer (or floor) function.

## Whole life annuity-due payable $m$ times a year

- Consider a whole life annuity-due with payments made $m$ times a year. Its PV random variable can be expressed as

$$
Y=\ddot{a} \frac{(m)}{K^{(m)}+(1 / m)}=\frac{1-v^{K^{(m)}+(1 / m)}}{d^{(m)}}
$$

- The APV of this annuity is

$$
\mathrm{E}[Y]=\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} v^{h / m} \cdot{ }_{h / m} p_{x}=\frac{1-A_{x}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}} .
$$

- Variance is

$$
\operatorname{Var}[Y]=\frac{\operatorname{Var}\left[v^{K^{(m)}}+(1 / m)\right]}{\left(d^{(m)}\right)^{2}}=\frac{{ }^{2} A_{x}^{(m)}-\left(A_{x}^{(m)}\right)^{2}}{\left(d^{(m)}\right)^{2}}
$$

## Some useful relationships

Here we list some important relationships regarding the life annuity-due with $m$-thly payments (Note - these are exact formulas):

- $1=d \ddot{a}_{x}+A_{x}=d^{(m)} \ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}+A_{x}^{(m)}$
- $\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}=\frac{d}{d^{(m)}} \ddot{a}_{x}-\frac{1}{d^{(m)}}\left(A_{x}^{(m)}-A_{x}\right)=\ddot{a}_{\overline{1}}^{(m)} \ddot{a}_{x}-\ddot{a}_{\infty}^{(m)}\left(A_{x}^{(m)}-A_{x}\right)$
- $\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}=\frac{1-A_{x}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}=\ddot{a}{ }_{\infty}^{(m)}-\ddot{a}_{\infty}^{(m)} A_{x}^{(m)}$


## Other types of life annuity-due payable $m$-thly



## Illustrative example 3

Professor Balducci is currently age 60 and will retire immediately. He purchased a whole life annuity-due contract which will pay him on a monthly basis the following benefits:

- \$12,000 each year for the next 10 years;
- \$24,000 each year for the following 5 years after that; and finally,
- \$48,000 each year thereafter.

You are given:

- $i=3 \%$ and the following table:

| $x$ | $1000 A_{x}^{(12)}$ | ${ }_{5} p_{x}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 60 | 661.11 | 0.8504 |
| 65 | 712.33 | 0.7926 |
| 70 | 760.65 | 0.7164 |
| 75 | 804.93 | 0.6196 |

Calculate the APV of Professor Balducci's life annuity benefits.

## (Continuous) whole life annuity

- A life annuity payable continuously at the rate of one unit per year.
- One can think of it as life annuity payable $m$-thly per year, with $m \rightarrow \infty$.
- The PV random variable is $Y=\bar{a}_{\bar{T}}$ where $T$ is the future lifetime of $(x)$.
- The APV of the annuity:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\bar{a}_{x}= & \mathrm{E}[Y]=\mathrm{E}\left[\bar{a}_{\bar{T}}\right]=\int_{0}^{\infty} \bar{a}_{\bar{t} \cdot} \cdot{ }_{t} p_{x} \mu_{x+t} d t \\
& \text { use integration by parts - see page } 117 \text { for proof } \\
= & \int_{0}^{\infty} v^{t}{ }_{t} p_{x} d t=\int_{0}^{\infty}{ }_{t} E_{x} d t
\end{aligned}
$$

- continued
- One can also write expressions for the cdf and pdf of $Y$ in terms of the cdf and pdf of $T$. For example,

$$
\operatorname{Pr}[Y \leq y]=\operatorname{Pr}\left[1-v^{T} \leq \delta y\right]=\operatorname{Pr}\left[T \leq \frac{\log (1-\delta y)}{\log v}\right]
$$

- Recursive relation: $\bar{a}_{x}=\bar{a}_{x: \overline{1}}+v p_{x} \bar{a}_{x+1}$
- Variance expression: $\operatorname{Var}\left[\bar{a}_{T}\right]=\operatorname{Var}\left[\frac{1-v^{T}}{\delta}\right]=\frac{1}{\delta^{2}}\left[{ }^{2} \bar{A}_{x}-\left(\bar{A}_{x}\right)^{2}\right]$
- Relationship to whole life insurance: $\bar{A}_{x}=1-\delta \bar{a}_{x}$
- Try writing explicit expressions for the APV and variance where we have constant force of mortality and constant force of interest.


## Temporary life annuity

- A (continuous) $n$-year temporary life annuity pays 1 per year continuously while $(x)$ survives during the next $n$ years.
- The PV random variable is $Y=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}\bar{a}_{\bar{T}}, & 0 \leq T<n \\ \bar{a}_{\bar{n}}, & T \geq n\end{array}=\bar{a} \overline{\overline{\min (T, n)}}\right.$
- The APV of the annuity:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\bar{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}= & \mathrm{E}[Y]=\int_{0}^{n} \bar{a}_{\bar{t} \cdot} \cdot{ }_{t} p_{x} \mu_{x+t} d t \\
& +\int_{n}^{\infty} \bar{a}_{\bar{n},} \cdot{ }_{t} p_{x} \mu_{x+t} d t=\int_{0}^{n} v^{t}{ }_{t} p_{x} d t .
\end{aligned}
$$

- Recursive formula: $\bar{a}_{x: \overline{n \mid}}=\bar{a}_{x: \overline{1}}+v p_{x} \bar{a}_{x+1: \overline{n-1}}$.
- To derive variance, one way to get explicit form is to note that $Y=(1-Z) / \delta$ where $Z$ is the PV r.v. for an $n$-year endowment ins. [details in class.]


## Deferred whole life annuity

- Pays a benefit of a unit $\$ 1$ each year continuously while the annuitant $(x)$ survives from $x+n$ onward.
- The PV random variable is

$$
Y=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
0, & 0 \leq T<n \\
v^{n} \bar{a}_{\overline{T-n}}, & T \geq n
\end{array}=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
0, & 0 \leq T<n \\
\bar{a}_{\bar{T}}-\bar{a}_{\bar{n}}, & T \geq n
\end{array} .\right.\right.
$$

- The APV [expected value of $Y$ ] of the annuity is

$$
{ }_{n \mid} \bar{a}_{x}={ }_{n} E_{x} \bar{a}_{x+n}=\bar{a}_{x}-\bar{a}_{x: \bar{n}}=\int_{n}^{\infty} v^{t}{ }_{t} p_{x} d t .
$$

- The variance of $Y$ is given by

$$
\operatorname{Var}[Y]=\frac{2}{\delta} v^{2 n}{ }_{n} p_{x}\left(\bar{a}_{x+n}-{ }^{2} \bar{a}_{x+n}\right)-\left({ }_{n \mid} \bar{a}_{x}\right)^{2}
$$

## Special mortality laws

- Just as in the case of life insurance valuation, we can derive nice explicit forms for "life annuity" formulas in the case where mortality follows:
- constant force (or Exponential distribution); or
- De Moivre's law (or Uniform distribution).
- Try deriving some of these formulas. You can approach them in a couple of ways:
- Know the results for the "life insurance" case, and then use the relationships between annuities and insurances.
- You can always derive it from first principles, usually working with the current payment technique.
- In the continuous case, one can use numerical approximations to evaluate the integral:
- trapezium (trapezoidal) rule
- repeated Simpson's rule


## Illustrative example 4

For a whole life annuity-due on (40), you are given:

- Before age 65, mortality follows a constant force $\mu=0.005$.
- $\delta=0.03$
- $A_{65}=0.425$

Calculate $\ddot{a}_{40}$.

## Life annuities with varying benefits

- Some of these are discussed in details in Section 5.10.
- You may try to remember the special symbols used, especially if the variation is a fixed unit of $\$ 1$ (either increasing or decreasing).
- The most important thing to remember is to apply similar concept of "discounting with life" taught in the life insurance case (note: this works only for valuing actuarial present values):
- work with drawing the benefit payments as a function of time; and
- use then your intuition to derive the desired results.


## Methods for evaluating annuity functions

- Section 5.11
- Recursions:
- For example, in the case of a whole life annuity-due on $(x)$, recall $\ddot{a}_{x}=1+v p_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+1}$. Given a set of mortality assumptions, start with

$$
\ddot{a}_{x}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} v^{k}{ }_{k} p_{x}
$$

and then use the recursion to evaluate values for subsequent ages.

- UDD: deaths are uniformly distribution between integral ages.
- Woolhouse's approximations


## Uniform Distribution of Deaths (UDD)

Under the UDD assumption, we have derived in the previous chapter that the following holds:

$$
A_{x}^{(m)}=\frac{i}{i^{(m)}} A_{x}
$$

Then use the relationship between annuities and insurance:

$$
\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}=\frac{1-A_{x}^{(m)}}{d^{(m)}}
$$

This leads us to the following result when UDD holds:

$$
\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}=\alpha(m) \ddot{a}_{x}-\beta(m)
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha(m) & =s \frac{(m)}{1} \ddot{a}_{\overline{1}}^{(m)}=\frac{i}{i^{(m)}} \cdot \frac{d}{d^{(m)}} \\
\beta(m) & =\frac{s \frac{s_{1}^{(m)}-1}{d^{(m)}}=\frac{i-i^{(m)}}{i^{(m)} d^{(m)}}}{l}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Woolhouse's approximate fomulas

The Woolhouse's approximate formulas for evaluating annuities are based on the Euler-Maclaurin formula for numerical integration:

$$
\int_{0}^{\infty} g(t) d t=h \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g(k h)-\frac{h}{2} g(0)+\frac{h^{2}}{12} g^{\prime}(0)-\frac{h^{4}}{720} g^{\prime \prime}(0)+\cdots
$$

for some positive constant $h$. This formula is then applied to $g(t)=v^{t}{ }_{t} p_{x}$ which leads us to

$$
g^{\prime}(t)=-v^{t}{ }_{t} p_{x}\left(\delta-\mu_{x+t}\right) .
$$

We can obtain the following Woolhouse's approximate formula:

$$
\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)} \approx \ddot{a}_{x}-\frac{m-1}{2 m}-\frac{m^{2}-1}{12 m^{2}}\left(\delta+\mu_{x}\right)
$$

## Approximating an $n$-year temporary life annuity-due with $m$-thly payments

Apply the Woolhouse's approximate formula to

$$
\ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n}}^{(m)}=\ddot{a}_{x}^{(m)}-{ }_{n} E_{x} \ddot{a}_{x+n}^{(m)}
$$

This leads us to the following Woolhouse's approximate formulas:

Use 2 terms (W2)

$$
\ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n}}^{(m)} \approx \ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}-\frac{m-1}{2 m}\left(1-{ }_{n} E_{x}\right)
$$

Use 3 terms (W3)

$$
\ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n}}^{(m)} \approx \ddot{a}_{x: \bar{n} \mid}-\frac{m-1}{2 m}\left(1-{ }_{n} E_{x}\right)
$$

$$
-\frac{m^{2}-1}{12 m^{2}}\left[\delta+\mu_{x}-{ }_{n} E_{x}\left(\delta+\mu_{x+n}\right)\right]
$$

Use 3 terms (W3*)
use approximation for force of mortality
(modified)
$\mu_{x} \approx-\frac{1}{2}\left[\log \left(p_{x-1}\right)+\log \left(p_{x}\right)\right]$

## Numerical illustrations

We compare the various approximations: UDD, W2, W3, W3* based on the Standard Ultimate Survival Model with Makeham's law

$$
\mu_{x}=A+B c^{x}
$$

where $A=0.00022, B=2.7 \times 10^{-6}$ and $c=1.124$.
The results for comparing the values for:

- $\ddot{a}_{x: \overline{10}}^{(12)}$ with $i=10 \%$
- $\ddot{a}_{x: 25}^{(2)}$ with $i=5 \%$
are summarized in the following slides.


## Values of $\ddot{a} x:(12)$ with $i=10 \%$

| $x$ | $\ddot{a}_{x}$ | $\ddot{a}_{x}^{(12)}$ | $E_{x}$ | Exact | UDD | W2 | W3 | $\mathrm{W}^{*}$ |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 | 10.9315 | 10.4653 | 0.384492 | 6.4655 | 6.4655 | 6.4704 | 6.4655 | 6.4655 |
| 30 | 10.8690 | 10.4027 | 0.384039 | 6.4630 | 6.4630 | 6.4679 | 6.4630 | 6.4630 |
| 40 | 10.7249 | 10.2586 | 0.382586 | 6.4550 | 6.4550 | 6.4599 | 6.4550 | 6.4550 |
| 50 | 10.4081 | 9.9418 | 0.377947 | 6.4295 | 6.4294 | 6.4344 | 6.4295 | 6.4295 |
| 60 | 9.7594 | 9.2929 | 0.363394 | 6.3485 | 6.3482 | 6.3535 | 6.3485 | 6.3485 |
| 70 | 8.5697 | 8.1027 | 0.320250 | 6.0991 | 6.0982 | 6.1044 | 6.0990 | 6.0990 |
| 80 | 6.7253 | 6.2565 | 0.213219 | 5.4003 | 5.3989 | 5.4073 | 5.4003 | 5.4003 |
| 90 | 4.4901 | 4.0155 | 0.057574 | 3.8975 | 3.8997 | 3.9117 | 3.8975 | 3.8975 |
| 100 | 2.5433 | 2.0505 | 0.000851 | 2.0497 | 2.0699 | 2.0842 | 2.0497 | 2.0496 |

## Values of $\ddot{a}_{x: 25 \mid}^{(2)}$ with $i=5 \%$

| $x$ | $\ddot{a}_{x}$ | $\ddot{a}_{x}^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{25} E_{x}$ |  | Exact | UDD | W2 | W3 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathrm{W}^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | 19.9664 | 19.7133 | 0.292450 | 14.5770 | 14.5770 | 14.5792 | 14.5770 | 14.5770 |
| 30 | 19.3834 | 19.1303 | 0.289733 | 14.5506 | 14.5505 | 14.5527 | 14.5506 | 14.5506 |
| 40 | 18.4578 | 18.2047 | 0.281157 | 14.4663 | 14.4662 | 14.4684 | 14.4663 | 14.4663 |
| 50 | 17.0245 | 16.7714 | 0.255242 | 14.2028 | 14.2024 | 14.2048 | 14.2028 | 14.2028 |
| 60 | 14.9041 | 14.6508 | 0.186974 | 13.4275 | 13.4265 | 13.4295 | 13.4275 | 13.4275 |
| 70 | 12.0083 | 11.7546 | 0.068663 | 11.5117 | 11.5104 | 11.5144 | 11.5117 | 11.5117 |
| 80 | 8.5484 | 8.2934 | 0.002732 | 8.2889 | 8.2889 | 8.2938 | 8.2889 | 8.2889 |
| 90 | 5.1835 | 4.9242 | 0.000000 | 4.9242 | 4.9281 | 4.9335 | 4.9242 | 4.9242 |
| 100 | 2.7156 | 2.4425 | 0.000000 | 2.4425 | 2.4599 | 2.4656 | 2.4424 | 2.4424 |



Figure: Visualizing the different approximations for $\ddot{a}_{x: 25)}^{(2)}$

## Illustrative example 5

You are given:

- $i=5 \%$ and the following table:

| $x$ | $\ell_{x}$ | $\mu_{x}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 49 | 811 | 0.0213 |
| 50 | 793 | 0.0235 |
| 51 | 773 | 0.0258 |
| 52 | 753 | 0.0284 |
| 53 | 731 | 0.0312 |
| 54 | 707 | 0.0344 |

Approximate $\ddot{a}_{50: \overline{3}}^{(12)}$ based on the following methods:
(1) UDD assumptions
(2) Woolhouse's formula using the first two terms only
(3) Woolhouse's formula using all three terms
(9) Woolhouse's formula using all three terms but approximating the force of mortality

## Practice problem 1

You are given:

- $\ell_{x}=115-x$, for $0 \leq x \leq 115$
- $\delta=4 \%$

Calculate $\ddot{a}_{65: \overline{20}}$.

UCONN.

## Practice problem 2

You are given:

- $\mu_{x+t}=0.03$, for $t \geq 0$
- $\delta=5 \%$
- $Y$ is the present value random variable for a continuous whole life annuity of $\$ 1$ issued to $(x)$.

Calculate $\operatorname{Pr}[Y \geq \mathrm{E}[Y]-\sqrt{\operatorname{Var}[Y]}]$.

## Practice problem 3 - modified SOA MLC Spring 2012

For a whole life annuity-due of $\$ 1,000$ per year on (65), you are given:

- Mortality follows Gompertz law with

$$
\mu_{x}=B c^{x}, \text { for } x \geq 0
$$

where $B=5 \times 10^{-5}$ and $c=1.1$.

- $i=4 \%$
- $Y$ is the present value random variable for this annuity.

Calculate the probability that $Y$ is less than $\$ 11,500$.

## Practice problem 4 - SOA MLC Spring 2014

For a group of 100 lives age $x$ with independent future lifetimes, you are given:

- Each life is to be paid $\$ 1$ at the beginning of each year, if alive.
- $A_{x}=0.45$
- ${ }^{2} A_{x}=0.22$
- $i=0.05$
$Y$ is the present value random variable of the aggregate payments.
Using the Normal approximation to $Y$, calculate the initial size of the fund needed in order to be $95 \%$ certain of being able to make the payments for these life annuities.


## Other terminologies and notations used

| Expression | Other terms/symbols used |
| :--- | :--- |
| temporary life annuity-due | term annuity-due <br> $n$-year term life annuity-due |
| annuity-immediate | immediate annuity <br> annuity immediate |

