Actuarial Mathematics III, Math 632

• Rationale

The Math 630/631/632 is designed to introduce students to the mathematical content of the theory of life contingencies and financial economics. The sequence includes material from several new Examinations of the Society of Actuaries (SOA) and the Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS), especially Exam M. The sequence is required for the undergraduate major in actuarial science.

SOA and CAS recently enlarged its Exam M. New material on financial economics is added, and the exam is split into two parts, Exam MLC (life contingency) and Exam MFE (financial economics). To reflect this change in Exam M, the number of credits of each course in the sequence needs to be increased from 3-credit to 4-credit. The old material of the sequence is redistributed to 630, 631 and a third of 632, and two thirds of 632 is used to cover the new financial economics material.

• Prerequisite

Mathematics 631 or permission of instructor.

• Text

Actuarial Mathematics 2nd edition, Newton L. Bowers, Jr., et al, SOA, 1997. Derivatives Markets 2nd edition, Robert L. McDonald, Addison Wesley, 2006.

- Syllabus
 - Week 1 Expense Argument Models, Withdrawal Benefits, Types of Expenses
 - Week 2 Asset Shares, Expenses, Reserves and General Insurance
 - Week 3 Markov Chains
 - Week 4 Option Relationships
 - Week 5 Binomial Option Pricing
 - Week 6 Black-Scholes Formula
 - Week 7 Market Making and Delta Hedging
 - Week 8 Exotic Options
 - Week 9 Brownian Motions and Itô's Lemma
 - Week 10 Interest Rate Models
- Grade

Two midterms at 100 points each, and a final exam at 200 points. The course grade is based on the total 400 points.

• Disability Statement

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