# Intro to the lifecontingencies R package

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- The applied examples will shown: how to load the R package, how to perform basic financial mathematics and demographic calculations, how to price and reserve financial products.

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- ► Also (Charpentier 2012) and (Charpentier 2014) discuss the software.

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▶ It requires a recent version of R (>=3.0) and the markovchain package (Spedicato, Giorgio Alfredo 2015). The development version of the package requires also Rcpp package (Eddelbuettel 2013).

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▶ The presentValue function is the kernel of functions that are used to calculate annuities and accumulated values, also paid in fractional *k* payments.

```
ann1 <- annuity(i=0.03, n=5, k=1, type="immediate")
ann2 <- annuity(i=0.03, n=5, k=12, type="due")
c(ann1,ann2)</pre>
```

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## [1] 4.579707 4.653791
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- ► The following code exemplifies the calculation of a 5% coupon bond at 3% yield rate when the term is ten year.

```
bondPrice<-5*annuity(i=0.03,n=10)+100*1.03^-10 bondPrice
```

```
## [1] 117.0604
```

## Managing lifetables and actuarial tables

▶ A lifetable object is an S4 class comprised by three slots: the age (from 0 to  $\omega$ ), the people at risk at beginning of age x and the table name.

In practice, it is often more convenient to load an existing table from a CSV or XLS source. Some common tables have been bundled as data.frames within the package.

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#performing some fixings
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▶ It is therefore easy to perform standard demographic calculations with the aid of package functions.

```
# decrements between age 65 and 70
dxt(ips55M, x = 65, t = 5)
## [1] 3659.74
# probabilities of death between age 80 and 85
qxt(ips55M, x = 80, t = 2)
## [1] 0.07264833
# expected curtate lifetime
exn(ips55M, x = 65)
```

## [1] 21.96873

## Pricing and reserving Life Contingent insurances

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```
#creates a new actuarial table
ips55Act<-new("actuarialtable",
x=ips55M@x,lx=ips55M@lx,
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- Performing such actuarial calculations requires to create an actuarial table (similar to a lifetable but with one more slot for the interest rate) that can be create as it is shown below.

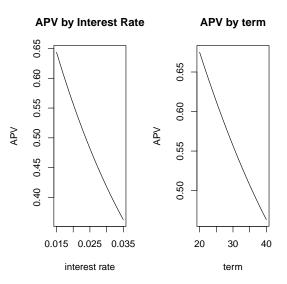
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► The example that follows computes the yearly premium  $P = 50000 * \frac{_{35}E_{30}}{^3_{30:35}}$  for a pure endowment on 50K capital.

```
#compute APV
APV=50e3*Exn(actuarialtable =
ips55Act,x=30,n=35)
#compute Premium
P=APV/axn(actuarialtable =
ips55Act,x=30,n=35)
c(APV,P)
```

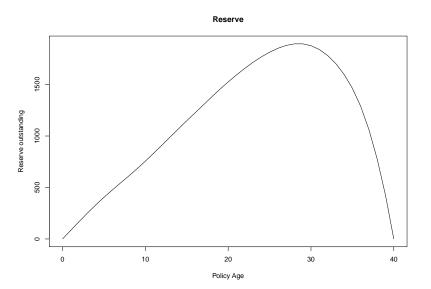
▶ The package allows to easily perform sensitivities on the financials changing key parameters like term, interest, etc as we can see on a endowment purchased by a 30 years old policyholder for 30 years.

► The graph below displays sensitivities on APV varying interest rate and insurance term.



Also, calculation of outstanding reserves is made easy as the following example, applied on a 100K face value 40 year term term life insurance with payments made yearly on a policyholder aged 25, shows.

```
#compute the APV and premium
APV=100e3*Axn(actuarialtable = ips55Act,x=25,n=40)
P=APV/axn(actuarialtable = ips55Act,x=25,n=40)
#define a reserve function
reserveFunction<-function(t)
  100e3*Axn(actuarialtable = ips55Act,x=25+t,n=40-t) -
  P *axn(actuarialtable = ips55Act,x=25+t,n=40-t)
reserve<-sapply(0:40,reserveFunction)</pre>
```



#### Stochastic evalutation

► The APV of a life contingent insurance is the expected value of a function of a random variable (the residual life time). Knowing the interest rate and the underlying life table it is possible both to compute the APV and to assess the distribution of the underlying life insurance.

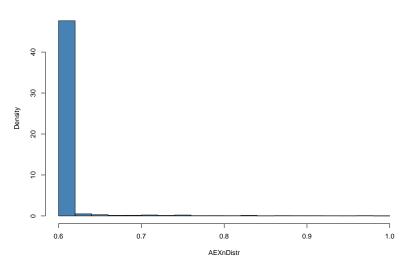
```
#analyzing and Endowment of 100K on x=40, n=25
#compute APV
APV=AExn(actuarialtable = ips55Act,x=40,n=25)
#sampling
AEXnDistr<-rLifeContingencies(n=10e3,
lifecontingency = "AExn",x = 40,
t=25,object = ips55Act)</pre>
```

▶ In order to assess if the distribution is unbiased we use a classical one sample t - test.

```
#assess if the expected value match the theoretical one
t.test(x=AEXnDistr,mu = APV)
```

```
##
##
    One Sample t-test
##
## data: AEXnDistr
## t = 1.0199, df = 9999, p-value = 0.3078
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0.614
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.6145516 0.6158519
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
## 0.6152018
```

#### **Endowment Actuarial Value Distribution**



# Assessing longevity impact on annuities using lifecontingencies and demography

This part of the presentation will make use of the demography package to calibrate Lee Carter (Lee and Carter 1992) model,  $log(\mu_{x,t}) = a_x + b_x * k_t \rightarrow p_{x,t} = exp^{-\mu_{x,t}}$ , projecting mortality and implicit life tables.

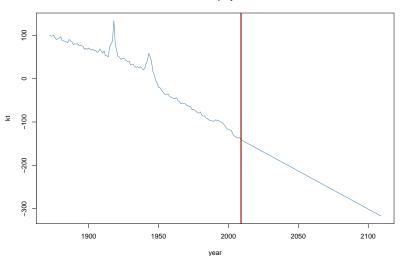
```
#load the package and the italian tables
library(demography)
#italyDemo<-hmd.mx("ITA", username="yourUN",
#password="yourPW")
load(file="mortalityDatasets.RData") #load the dataset</pre>
```

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- ▶ Then an arima model is used to project (extrapolate) the underlying  $k_t$  over the historical period.

-The code below generates the matrix of prospective life tables

#### historical and projected KT



▶ now we need a function that returns the one-year death probabilities given a year of birth (cohort.

```
getCohortQx<-function(yearOfBirth)</pre>
  colIndex<-which(colnames(mortalityTable)</pre>
                   ==yearOfBirth) #identify
  #the column corresponding to the cohort
  #definex the probabilities from which
  #the projection is to be taken
  maxLength<-min(nrow(mortalityTable)-1,</pre>
                  ncol(mortalityTable)-colIndex)
  qxOut<-numeric(maxLength+1)</pre>
  for(i in 0:maxLength)
    qxOut[i+1]<-mortalityTable[i+1,colIndex+i]</pre>
  #fix: we add a fictional omega age where
  #death probability = 1
  qxOut < -c(qxOut, 1)
  return(qxOut)
```

Now we use such function to obtain prospective life tables and to perform actuarial calculations. For example, we can compute the APV of an annuity on a workers' retiring at 65 assuming he were born in 1920, in 1950 and in 1980. We will use the interest rate of 1.5% (the one used to compute Italian Social Security annuity factors).

```
#generate the life tables
qx1920<-getCohortQx(yearOfBirth = 1920)</pre>
lt1920<-probs2lifetable(probs=qx1920,type="qx",
name="Table 1920")
at1920<-new("actuarialtable",x=lt19200x,
lx=lt1920@lx,interest=0.015)
qx1950<-getCohortQx(yearOfBirth = 1950)</pre>
lt1950<-probs2lifetable(probs=qx1950,
type="qx", name="Table 1950")
at1950<-new("actuarialtable",x=lt1950@x,
lx=lt1950@lx,interest=0.015)
qx1980<-getCohortQx(yearOfBirth = 1980)</pre>
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- ▶ The first step is to generate the life and actuarial tables

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Now we can evaluate  $\ddot{a}_{65}$  and  $\mathring{e}_{65}$  for workers born in 1920, 1950 and 1980 respectively.

```
cat("Results for 1920 cohort","\n")
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c(exn(at1920,x=65),axn(at1920,x=65))
## [1] 16.51391 15.14127
cat("Results for 1950 cohort","\n")
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c(exn(at1950,x=65),axn(at1950,x=65))
## [1] 18.72669 16.83391
cat("Results for 1980 cohort","\n")
```

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