

We have all the properties that we need to calculate the ruin probabilities now. We will start from solving integral equation to derive the famous Pollaczek-Khinchine formula and give a more general result to the example 5.13.

## 0.1 Integral equation of ultimate ruin

Since the Poisson process is a renewal process and since ruin cannot occur before the first claim arrival  $T_1$ , then the survival probability  $\bar{\varphi}(u)$  conditioning on no claim in  $(0, T_1)$  satisfies following relation:

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\varphi}(u) &= E[\bar{\varphi}(u + \beta T_1 - U_1)] \\ &= \int_0^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda s} \int_0^{u+\beta s} \bar{\varphi}(u + \beta s - z) dF_U(z) ds \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{\beta} e^{\lambda \frac{u}{\beta}} \int_u^\infty e^{-\lambda \frac{x}{\beta}} \int_0^x \bar{\varphi}(x - z) dF_U(z) dx\end{aligned}$$

and since  $\bar{\varphi}(u)$  is differentiable<sup>I</sup> we have

$$\bar{\varphi}'(u) = \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \bar{\varphi}(u) - \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(u - z) dF_U(z)$$

**Theorem 1.** *The ruin function satisfies*

$$\beta \varphi(u) = \lambda \left( \int_u^\infty \bar{F}_U(x) dx + \int_0^u \varphi(u - x) \bar{F}_U(x) dx \right)$$

and

$$\varphi(0) = \frac{\lambda u}{\beta}, \varphi(\infty) = 0$$

If  $F_U(x)$  are exponentially distributed with mean  $\mu$

$$\varphi(u) = \frac{1}{1 + \theta} e^{-\frac{\theta u}{\mu(1+\theta)}}$$

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<sup>I</sup>The discussion of differentiability can be found in both Renewal Risk Processes with Stochastic Returns on Investments - A Unified Approach and Analysis of the Ruin Probabilities section 2.2 and Stochastic Processes for Insurance and Finance p.163

*Proof.* By integrating  $(0, u]$  leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\beta}{\lambda}(\bar{\varphi}(u) - \bar{\varphi}(0)) &= \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_0^u \beta \bar{\varphi}'(x) dx \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(x) dx - \int_0^u dx \int_0^x \bar{\varphi}(x-y) dF_U(y) \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(x) dx - \int_0^u dF_U(y) \int_y^u \bar{\varphi}(x-y) dx \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(x) dx - \int_0^u dF_U(y) \int_0^{u-y} \bar{\varphi}(x) dx \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(x) dx - \int_0^u dx \int_0^{u-x} \bar{\varphi}(x) dF_U(y) \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(x) (1 - F_U(u-x)) dx \\
&= \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(u-x) \bar{F}_U(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

Now letting  $u \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$\beta(\bar{\varphi}(\infty) - \bar{\varphi}(0)) = \lambda \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^u \bar{\varphi}(u-x) \bar{F}_U(u-x) dx$$

From net profit condition, we know  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} W_n = -\infty$  and  $F_U(\infty) = 0$  so  $M$  can only take on finite positive number, we have

$$\bar{\varphi}(\infty) = 1$$

Then by applying *Dominated convergence theorem* to the right-hand side we get,

$$\beta(1 - \bar{\varphi}(0)) = \lambda \int_0^\infty 1 \cdot \bar{F}_U(u-x) dx = \lambda \mu^\Pi$$

Thus,

$$\bar{\varphi}(0) = 1 - \frac{\lambda \mu}{\beta}$$

By changing  $\bar{\varphi}(u)$  to  $1 - \bar{\varphi}(u) = \varphi(u)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta \varphi(u) &= \beta \varphi(0) - \lambda \int_0^u (1 - \varphi(u-x)) \bar{F}_U(x) dx \\
&= \lambda \mu - \lambda \int_0^u \bar{F}_U(x) dx + \lambda \int_0^u \varphi(u-x) \bar{F}_U(x) dx \\
&= \lambda \left( \int_u^\infty \bar{F}_U(x) dx + \int_0^u \varphi(u-x) \bar{F}_U(x) dx \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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<sup>II</sup>Essential for Stochastic Process P.220  $E[X] = \int_0^\infty P(X > t) dt$

If  $F_U(x)$  are exponentially distributed ,  $\bar{\varphi}(u)$  will satisfies this ODE

$$\bar{\varphi}''(u) + \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{\theta}{1+\theta} \bar{\varphi}'(u) = 0$$

and the initial conditions

$$\bar{\varphi}(\infty) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\varphi}(0) = 1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} = \frac{\theta}{1+\theta}$$

gives the solution

$$\varphi(u) = 1 - \bar{\varphi}(u) = \frac{1}{1+\theta} e^{-\frac{\theta u}{\mu(1+\theta)}}$$

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## 0.2 Pollaczeck-Khinchine formula

In this section, we will use Laplace transform to show that  $\bar{\varphi}(u)$  is actually compound geometric distributed to give the general n-fold solution to it .

**Theorem 2.** *Pollaczeck-Khinchine formula*

$$\varphi(u) = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}\right)^n (1 - (F_U^I)^{*n}(u))$$

with  $F_U^I$  is the intergrating tail distribution related to  $F_U$  denoted by,

$$F_U^I(z) = \frac{1}{\mu} \int_0^z (1 - F_U(x)) dx$$

and density

$$f_U^I(z) = \frac{1}{\mu} \bar{F}_U(z)$$

*Proof.* Taking Laplace transform of  $\varphi(u) = \frac{\lambda}{\beta}(\int_u^\infty \bar{F}_U(x)dx + \int_0^u \varphi(u-x)\bar{F}_U(x)dx)$  we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{L}_\varphi(s) &= \int_0^\infty \varphi(u)e^{-su}du \\
&= \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \int_0^\infty [\int_u^\infty \bar{F}_U(x)dx + \int_0^u \varphi(u-x)\bar{F}_U(x)dx]e^{-su}du \\
&= \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \int_0^\infty (\mu - \int_0^u \bar{F}_U(x)dx)e^{-su}du + \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \int_0^\infty (\int_0^u \varphi(u-x)\mu f_U^I(x)dx)e^{-su}du \\
&= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \int_0^\infty (1 - F_U^I(u))e^{-su}du + \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_\varphi(s) \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s) \text{III} \\
&= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{1-F_U^I}(s) + \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_\varphi(s) \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s) \\
&= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \frac{1 - \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)}{s} + \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_\varphi(s) \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s) \text{IV}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, by rearranging the equation

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{L}_\varphi(s) &= \frac{1}{s} \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \frac{1 - \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)}{1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)} \\
&= \frac{1}{s} \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \left( \frac{1 - \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)}{1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)} - 1 + 1 \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{s} \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \left( \frac{\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s) - \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)}{1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)} + 1 \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{s} \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \left( 1 - \frac{(1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}) \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)}{1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{f_U^I}(s)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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<sup>III</sup>An Introduction to Probability Theory and its Applications Volume 2 p.434 , f(x),g(x) and u(x) their convolutions  $u(x) = \int_0^x g(x-y)f(y)dy$ , their Laplace transform satisfies  $\hat{L}_u(s) = \hat{L}_f(s)\hat{L}_g(s)$  if all exists.

<sup>IV</sup>An Introduction to Probability Theory and its Applications Volume 2 p.435 2.7, F(x) and f(x) be cumulative and density function of a random variable respectively, then  $\hat{L}_{1-F}(s) = \frac{1-\hat{L}_f(s)}{s}$

Within the parentheses, it is actually the Laplace transform of compound geometric distribution  $G$  with density  $g$ <sup>V</sup> characterizing as  $(1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}, F_U^I)$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{L}_\varphi(s) &= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \frac{1 - \hat{L}_g(s)}{s} \\ &= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \hat{L}_{\tilde{G}}(s) \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-su} \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \tilde{G}(u) du\end{aligned}$$

And since the Laplace transform is unique<sup>VI</sup>, it implies that  $\varphi(u)$  has the same distribution as  $\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \tilde{G}(u)$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(u) &= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} \tilde{G}(u) \\ &= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} (1 - \sum_{n=1}^\infty (1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}) (\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta})^{n-1} (F_U^I)^{*n}(u)) \text{VII} \\ &= \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta} (\sum_{n=1}^\infty (1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}) (\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta})^{n-1} - \sum_{n=1}^\infty (1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}) (\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta})^{n-1} (F_U^I)^{*n}(u)) \\ &= (1 - \frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta}) \sum_{n=1}^\infty (\frac{\lambda\mu}{\beta})^n (1 - (F_U^I)^{*n}(u))\end{aligned}$$

Since the strong connection between ruin theory and queuing theory, the equation is actually equivalent to the well-known waiting time distribution Pollaczek-Khinchine formula and thus has the same name.  $\square$

### 0.3 Martingale Approximation

The explicit expression of Pollaczek-Khinchine formula is sometimes too hard to compute. Thus, we use the same martingale technique as section 1.1 to give the exponential bound of ultimate ruin.

**Theorem 3.** *Lundberg inequality*

$$\varphi(u) \leq e^{-Lu}$$

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<sup>V</sup>Theorem 3, second corollary, and Laplace-Stieltjes transform is actually Laplace transform but focus on cumulative function not density function

<sup>VI</sup>An Introduction to Probability Theory and its Applications Volume 2 p.430, Distinct probability distributions has distinct Laplace transforms

<sup>VI</sup>Applying theorem 2 and setting  $p_0 = 0$

where  $L$  is called the Lundberg exponent, the positive solution of  $\lambda(\hat{m}_U(s) - 1) - \beta s = 0$ .

*Proof.* We first construct a martingale for the risk reserve process  $R(t)$ ,  $s, t > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[e^{-sR(t)}] &= E[e^{-s(u+\beta t-X(t))}] = E[e^{s(X(t))}]e^{-s(u+\beta t)} \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} E[e^{s(U_1+U_2+\dots+U_{N(t)})}] \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (E[e^{s(U_1+U_2+\dots+U_k)}]P(N(t) = k)) \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (E[e^{sU}]^k \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda t}) \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\hat{m}_U(s)^k \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!}) \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} e^{-\lambda t} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\hat{m}_U(s)\lambda t)^k}{k!} \\
&= e^{-s(u+\beta t)} e^{-\lambda t} e^{\hat{m}_U(s)\lambda t} \\
&= e^{-su+(\lambda(\hat{m}_U(s)-1)-\beta s)t} \\
&= e^{-su+g(s)t}
\end{aligned}$$

Recall the definition of ruin,

$$\tau(u) = \inf\{t \geq 0 : S(t) > u\}$$

Obviously  $\tau(u)$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t^S$  stopping time. Put

$$M_t = \frac{e^{-r(R(t))}}{e^{g(r)t}}$$

For  $0 \leq s \leq t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
E[M_t | \mathcal{F}_s^S] &= E\left[\frac{e^{-r(u+\beta t-X(t))}}{e^{g(r)t}} \middle| \mathcal{F}_s^S\right] \\
&= E\left[\frac{e^{-r(u+\beta s-X(s))}}{e^{g(r)s}} \frac{e^{-r(\beta t-X(t)-\beta s+X(s))}}{e^{g(r)(t-s)}} \middle| \mathcal{F}_s^S\right] \\
&= M_s \cdot E\left[\frac{e^{-r(\beta t-X(t)-\beta s+X(s))}}{e^{g(r)(t-s)}} \middle| \mathcal{F}_s^S\right] \\
&= M_s
\end{aligned}$$

So  $M_t$  is a martingale so we can apply the same method of section 1.1 to calculate the exponential bound of ultimate ruin. Further let  $L$  be the positive solution of  $g(s)=0$ , we know  $M'(t) = e^{-LR(t)}$  is still a martingale.

$$\begin{aligned}
E[M'_0] &= E[M'_{\tau(u) \wedge t}] \\
&= E[M'_{\tau(u)}; \tau(u) \leq t] + E[M'_t; \tau(u) > t] \\
&\geq E[e^{-LR(\tau(u))} | \tau(u) \leq t] \times P(\tau(u) \leq t) \\
&\geq P(\tau(u) \leq t) \quad \text{since } R(\tau(u)) \leq 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$P(\tau(u) < \infty) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(\tau(u) \leq t) \leq E[M_0] = e^{-Lu}$$

□

Although the martingale technique makes the approximation very easy, one must have to aware that if the claim size distribution is heavy-tailed,  $\hat{m}_U(s)$  does not exist for  $s>0$  and the martingale technique can not be used.