EXAM MLC QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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A fully discrete whole life insurance policy with level premiums issued at age x has a death benefit of 100,000. The policy expenses are as follows

1st Year Renewal Years

Percent of Premium 50% 20% Per Policy 5000 1000

The policy is based on a two-decrement model, with decrement 1 being death and decrement 2 being policy cancellation. Cancellation can only occur at the end of a first year.

Interest is at a rate of i = .20 and mortality probabilities are $q_x^{(1)} = .05$, $q_{x+1}^{(1)} = .05$ and the policy cancellation probability is .25 every year. The insurer wishes to have an expected asset share of 3000 per surviving policy at the end of two years.

If the insurer charges a contract premium of 14,000 per year, and if the insurer pays a cash value of CV for withdrawals at the end of the first year, and CV + 1000 for withdrawals as the end of the second year, find the value of CV.

The solution can be found below.

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$$(_kAS + G - E_k)(1+i) - b \cdot q_{x+k}^{(1)} - _{k+1}CV \cdot q_{x+k}^{(2)} = p_{x+k}^{(\tau)} \cdot _{k+1}AS$$

$$[14,000(.5) - 5000](1.2) - 100,000(.05) - .25CV = .7 \cdot _1AS$$
 and
$$[_1AS + 14,000(.8) - 1000](1.2) - 100,000(.05) - .25(CV + 1000) = (.7)(3000)$$
 so that
$$[\frac{[14,000(.5) - 5000](1.2) - 100,000(.05) - .25CV}{.7} + 14,000(.8) - 1000](1.2)$$

$$- 100,000(.05) - .25(CV + 1000) = (.7)(3000)$$

Solving for CV results in CV = 638.