## EXAM C QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

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## Question 13 - Week of October 17

The number of losses arising from m+4 individual insureds over a single period of observation is distributed as follows:

Number of Losses	Number of Insureds
0	m
1	3
2	1
3 or more	0

The number of losses for each insured follows a Poisson distribution, but the mean of each such distribution may be different for individual insureds. You estimate the variance of the hypothetical means using Empirical Bayes semiparametric estimation.

Suppose that m = 10 and suppose that a particular insured is observed for two periods of observation and is found to have 0 losses in the first period and 2 losses in the second period. Find the credibility premium for the number of losses for that individual in the next period of observation.

The solution can be found below.

## **Question 13 Solution**

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\mu} &= \widehat{v} = \overline{X} = \frac{5}{14} = .357 \ , \\ V\widehat{a}r[X] &= \frac{1}{13}[10(0-\frac{5}{14})^2 + 3(1-\frac{5}{14})^2 + (2-\frac{5}{14})^2] = .401 \ , \\ \widehat{a} &= .401 - .357 = .044 \ . \\ \widehat{Z} &= \frac{2}{2+\frac{357}{044}} = .2 \\ \end{split}$$
 The credibility premium is  $(.2)(\frac{0+2}{2}) + (.8)(.357) = .49 \ . \end{split}$