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# Advancements in Common Shock modeling

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# Background:

## Relevant literature:

- **Advanced Correlations** (2012 MetaRisk® Conference), *Steve White*
- **The Common Shock Model** (Variance Vol. 1/Issue 1 1997) *Glenn Meyers*
- **The Calculation of Aggregate Loss Distribution from Claim Severity and Claim Count distributions** (PCAS, LXX, 1983), *Philip Heckman, Glenn Meyers*

# Background:

## **Common Shock modeling (*a.k.a. Contagion modeling*):**

- Attempts to account for the additional, systematic, uncertainty within Insurance data:
  - **Claim Counts (Frequency) distributions:**
    - Exposure-base, of the insured, changes over-time.
      - Specifically: over the range of historical data.
    - IBNR claims must be estimated.
    - External drivers can cause change in claim frequencies:
      - Severe recession → increase fire claims
  - **Claim Size (Severity) distributions:**
    - External drivers of severities:
      - Inflation
      - Underwriting cycle
      - Macroeconomic factors

# Basic Common Shock/Contagion model

## Frequency & Severity Common Shock/Contagion:

Frequency

Let:  $N_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2 \dots, K$  be  $K$  claim count  $RV$ 's, from  $K$  lines of business:

$$N_1|C \sim \text{FreqDist}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1|C)$$

$$N_2|C \sim \text{FreqDist}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2|C)$$

$\vdots$

$$N_K|C \sim \text{FreqDist}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_K|C)$$

Where:

- $\boldsymbol{\theta}_i$  = vector of distribution parameters
- $C \sim \text{Dist}(E[C] = 1, \text{Var}[C] = c)$

Where  $c$  is a *scalar-valued* parameter, the “*Frequency Contagion parameter*”.

Severity

Let:  $X_k$  be the loss size  $R.V.$ , given a claim, from the  $k^{\text{th}}$  line of business:

$$X_k \sim \text{Dist}_k(E[X_k] = \mu_k, \text{Var}[X_k] = \sigma_{x_k}^2)$$

Let:  $\beta \sim \text{Dist}(E(\beta) = 1, \text{Var}(\beta) = b)$

Where  $b$  is a *scalar-valued* parameter, called the *Severity Contagion parameter*.

Multiply each  $X_k$  by the *same* realization of  $\beta$ :  $\beta X_k \quad k = 1, 2 \dots, K$

# Poisson Frequency

Since the same *Frequency Contagion RV, C*, is used within each  $N_i$ :

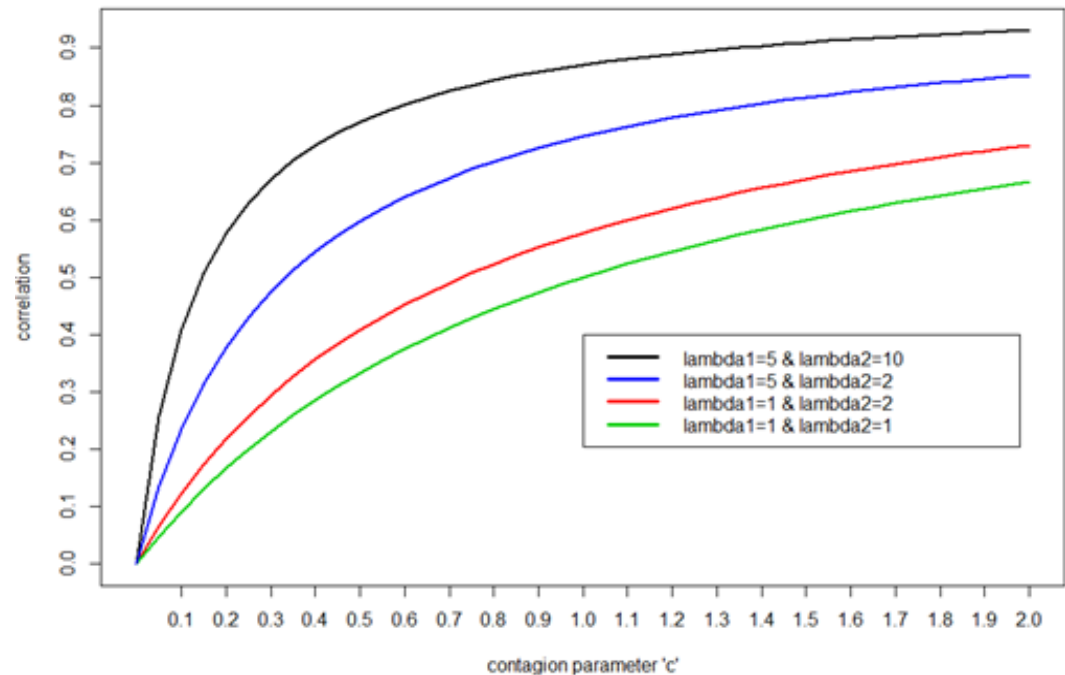
- $N_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2 \dots, K$  are *correlated*:

If  $N_i \sim \mathbf{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ , then define:  $N_i | \mathbf{C} \sim \mathbf{Poisson}(C\lambda_i)$  where  $\mathbf{C} \sim \mathbf{Dist}(E[C] = 1, \text{Var}[C] = c)$

Then, for  $1 \leq i, j \leq K$ , and  $i \neq j$ , the correlation between  $N_i, N_j$  is:

$$\rho_{N_i, N_j} = \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_i}{1+c\lambda_i}} \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_j}{1+c\lambda_j}}$$

- As  $c \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow 0$ 
  - weak, or absent, contagious environment
- As  $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow 1$ 
  - a strong contagious environment



# Negative Binomial Frequency

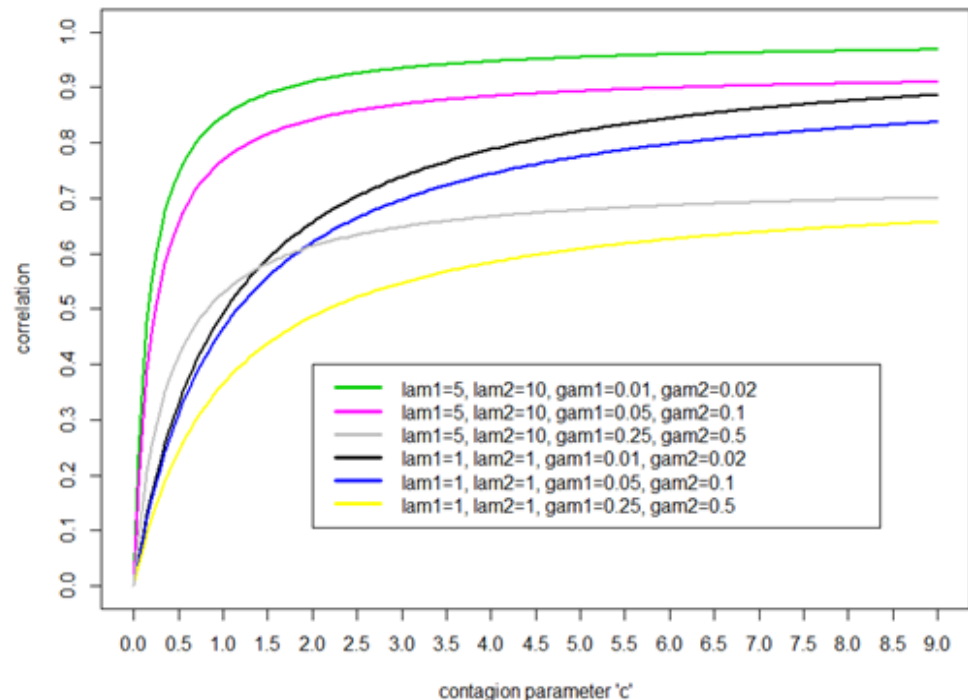
If  $N_i \sim \text{NegBinomial}(\lambda_i, \gamma_i)$  then define  $N_i | \mathbf{C} \sim \text{NegBin}(\mathbf{C}\lambda_i, \gamma_i)$

where:  $C \sim \text{Dist}(E[C] = 1, \text{Var}[C] = c)$  and ( $\lambda_i = \text{mean}$   $\gamma_i = \text{dispersion parameter}$ )

For  $1 \leq i, j \leq K$ , and  $i \neq j$ , the correlation between  $N_i, N_j$  is:

$$\rho_{N_i, N_j} = \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_i}{1 + \lambda_i(c + c\gamma_i + \gamma_i)}} \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_j}{1 + \lambda_j(c + c\gamma_j + \gamma_j)}}$$

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# Binomial Frequency

- Denote the best-fitting Binomial distributions to each of the  $K$  lines, by:
  - $\hat{N}_i \sim \mathbf{Bin}(\hat{n}_i, \hat{p}_i)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq K$
- Let:  $\hat{p}^* = \max(\hat{p}_1, \hat{p}_2, \dots, \hat{p}_n)$

To simulate Claim counts from the line:

- Adjust the parameter,  $p$ , of each distribution, by the constant ratio:  $\hat{p}_i / \hat{p}^*$

$$N_i | p \sim \mathbf{Bin}\left(\hat{n}_i, \left(\frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*}\right)p\right) \quad \text{where} \quad p \sim \mathbf{Beta}\left(\alpha = \frac{1}{c}, \beta = \frac{1}{c}\left(\frac{1-\hat{p}^*}{\hat{p}^*}\right)\right)$$

Hence:

- $E(N_i) = E_p[E_{N_i}(N_i | p)] = \hat{n}_i \cdot \hat{p}_i$  (the mean of the best-fitting Binomial distribution, to that line)

$$\mathit{Var}(N) = \frac{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i) + c \hat{p}^* \left[ \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i \left(1 - \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*}\right) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 \left(\frac{1}{\hat{p}^*} - 1\right) \right]}{1 + c \hat{p}^*}$$



# Binomial Frequency: Variance

$$\text{Var}(N) = \frac{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i) + c \hat{p}^* \left[ \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i \left( 1 - \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*} \right) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\hat{p}^*} - 1 \right) \right]}{1 + c \hat{p}^*}$$

Several observations can be made from this expression:

- $c \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \text{Var}(N_i) \rightarrow \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i)$  (variance of *best-fitting* Binomial, to business line  $i$ )
- $\text{Var}(N_i)$  is an *increasing* function of  $c$ .
- $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \text{Var}(N_i) \rightarrow \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i \left( 1 - \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*} \right) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\hat{p}^*} - 1 \right)$

Note:

- If  $\hat{p}_i = \hat{p}^*$ , for line  $i$ :
- $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \text{Var}(N_i) \rightarrow \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (0) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\hat{p}_i} - 1 \right) = (\hat{n}_i)^2 \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i) > \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i)$

# Binomial Frequency: Correlation

For  $1 \leq i, j \leq K$ , and  $i \neq j$ :

$$\rho_{N_1, N_2} = \frac{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i \hat{n}_j \hat{p}_j \left( \frac{c(1 - \hat{p}^*)}{1 + c\hat{p}^*} \right)}{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$$

Where:

$$\sigma_i = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i) + c\hat{p}^* \left[ \hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i \left( 1 - \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*} \right) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 \left( \frac{1}{\hat{p}^*} - 1 \right) \right]}{1 + c\hat{p}^*}}$$

Observations:

- $c \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{N_1, N_2} \rightarrow 0$ .
- $\rho_{N_1, N_2}$  in an *increasing* function of  $c$ .

- $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left( 1 + \frac{(\hat{p}^* - \hat{p}_i)}{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}^*)} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{(\hat{p}^* - \hat{p}_j)}{\hat{n}_j \hat{p}_j (1 - \hat{p}^*)} \right)}}$

# Binomial: Correlation vs. $c$ (per level of Binomial parameters, and $p^*$ )

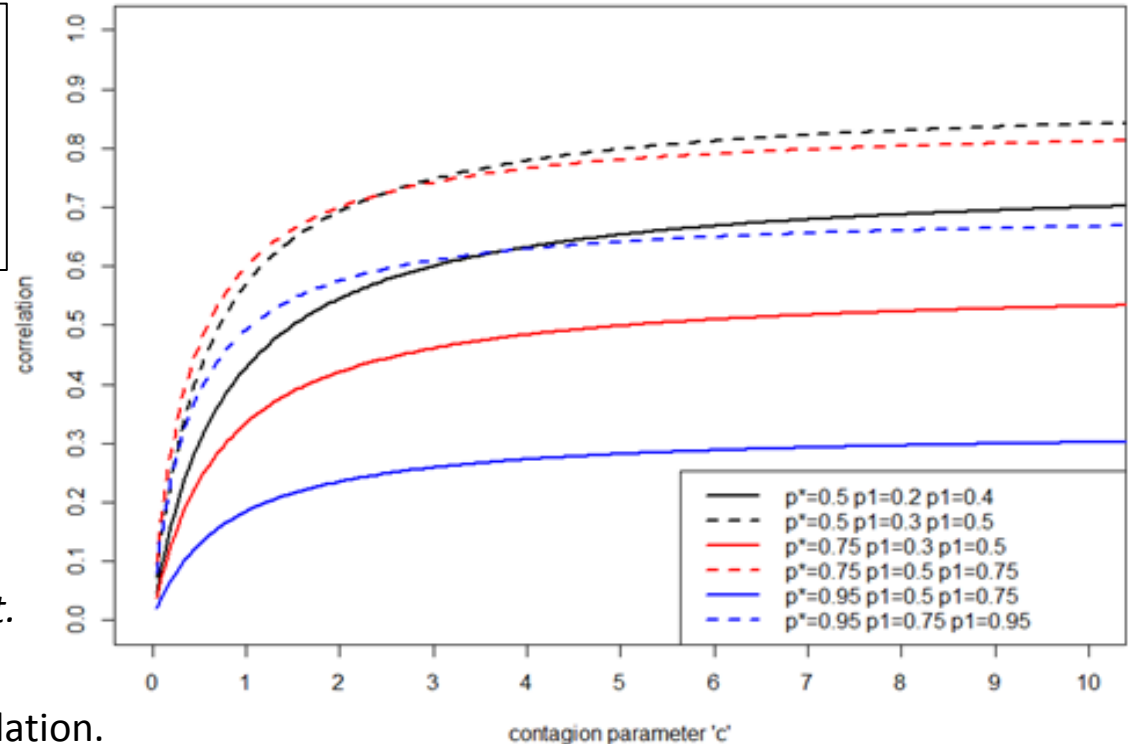
## Recall:

As:  $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$

$$\rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 + \frac{(\hat{p}^* - \hat{p}_i)}{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}^*)}\right) \left(1 + \frac{(\hat{p}^* - \hat{p}_j)}{\hat{n}_j \hat{p}_j (1 - \hat{p}^*)}\right)}}$$

## Observations:

- For a given value of  $\hat{p}^* < 1$ :  
 $\hat{p}_i$  and  $\hat{p}_j$  larger  $\Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **higher** correlation.
- For fixed values of  $\hat{p}_i$  and  $\hat{p}_j$ , s.t.  
 $\min\{\hat{p}_i, \hat{p}_j\} < \hat{p}^*$ :
  - higher  $\hat{p}^* \Rightarrow$  **lower** correlation.
- As  $c \rightarrow \infty$ :
  - If  $\hat{p}_i = \hat{p}_j = \hat{p}^* < 1 \Rightarrow \rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow 1$
  - If  $\min\{\hat{p}_i, \hat{p}_j\} < \hat{p}^*$ , then  $\hat{p}^* \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \rho_{N_i, N_j} \rightarrow 0$



# Summary: Frequency Contagion

- The introduction of Contagion **preserves the mean** of the frequency distribution:
  - $E(N_i) = E_C[E_{N_i}(N_i | C)] = \lambda_i$  for  $N_i \sim \mathbf{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$  or  $N_i \sim \mathbf{NegBinomial}(\lambda_i, \gamma_i)$
- However, the **variance** of the claim count  $N_i$ , will be increased:
  - $Var(N_i) = Var_C[E[N_i|C]] + E_C[Var[N_i|C]] = \lambda_i(1 + c \cdot \lambda_i)$  ( $N_i \sim \mathbf{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ )
  - $Var(N) = \lambda(1 + \lambda(c + c\gamma + \gamma))$  ( $N_i \sim \mathbf{NegBinomial}(\lambda_i, \gamma_i)$ )
  - $Var(N) = \frac{\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \hat{p}_i) + c \hat{p}^* [\hat{n}_i \hat{p}_i (1 - \frac{\hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}^*}) + (\hat{n}_i)^2 (\hat{p}_i)^2 (\frac{1}{\hat{p}^*} - 1)]}{1 + c \hat{p}^*}$  ( $\hat{N}_i \sim \mathbf{Bin}(\hat{n}_i, \hat{p}_i)$ )
- The “frequency contagion  $N_i$ ”,  $C$ , can follow *any* distributional form.
  - The only restrictions are:
    1. The distribution must have **positive support**
    2. The mean must be 1:  $E[C] = 1$

# Summary: Frequency Contagion, cont.....

- The correlation only depends on: (Regardless of which frequency distribution is used)
  1. *Parameters* of the Frequency distribution, and
  2. “*Contagion parameter*”,  $c$ .

$$\text{Ex: Poisson: } \rho_{N_i, N_j} = \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_i}{1+c\lambda_i}} \sqrt{\frac{c\lambda_j}{1+c\lambda_j}}$$

- Even though the same contagion parameter,  $c$ , is used, *across all lines-of-business*:
  - $\rho_{N_i, N_j}$  will NOT equal  $\rho_{N_m, N_n}$ , **unless**  $(\lambda_i, \lambda_j) = (\lambda_m, \lambda_n)$ 
    - Hence, **only one parameter**,  $c$ , will induce a whole, non-constant, correlation matrix.
    - The induced correlation matrix will be “*automatically*” determined, by:
      - The marginal distribution, of each line.
      - The value of the *contagion parameter*,  $c$ .



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# *Proposed* Aggregate Common-Shock/ Contagion model

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# Proposed Aggregate Contagion model

Let:  $FreqDist(\theta_k|C)$  be the *best-fitting* distribution to the claim count data, for the  $k^{\text{th}}$ -line:

- $N_k^*|C \sim FreqDist(\theta_k|C)$  where  $C \sim Dist(E[C] = 1, Var[C] = c)$

Let  $Dist_{X_k}(\mu, \sigma_{X_k}^2)$  be the *best-fitting* distribution to the loss size data, for the  $k^{\text{th}}$ -line:

Assume that  $X_k$  can be *decomposed* into the product of two RV;  $\beta Z_k$ , s.t.:

$$Var(X_k) \approx Var[\beta Z_k]$$

- $X_k \sim Dist_k(E[X_k] = \mu_k, Var[X_k] = \sigma_{x_k}^2)$  is the observed, empirical, claim size data.
- $\beta$  is the *severity contagion* RV, s.t.  $\beta \sim Dist(E(\beta) = 1, Var(\beta) = b)$ 
  - $\beta$  represents the **systematic** component of the losses process  $X_k$ .
- $Z_k$  the *underlying* loss RV.
  - $Z_k$  represents the **idiosyncratic** component of the losses process  $X_k$ .
    - *i.e.* the true, underlying, loss process.

# Aggregate Contagion model - requirements

Requirements for the proposed Aggregate contagion model:

1.  $\beta$  be independent of  $Z_k$ , and
2.  $E(Z_k) = \mu_{Z_k} = \mu_k = E(X_k)$
3. The distribution of  $\beta$  must have **positive support**
4. The mean must be 1:  $E[\beta] = 1$

These conditions ensure that:

- $E[\beta Z_k] = E[\beta]E[Z_k] = 1 \cdot \mu_{Z_k} = \mu_k = E(Z_k)$
- $Var[\beta Z_k] = \sigma_{Z_k}^2 + b(\mu_k^2 + \sigma_{Z_k}^2)$

In summary, the *Severity component* of the proposed Aggregate Contagion model is s.t.:

$$\beta Z_k \text{ where: } \begin{cases} Z_k \sim \text{RandDist}_k(E[Z_k] = \mu_k, \text{Var}[Z_k] = \sigma_{Z_k}^2) \\ \beta \sim \text{RandDist}(E(\beta) = 1, \text{Var}(\beta) = b), \text{ with } b \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- such that:  $E(Z_k) = \mu_{Z_k} = \mu_k = E(X_k)$  and  $Var(Z_k) = \sigma_{Z_k}^2 \leq \sigma_{X_k}^2 = Var(X_k)$



# Aggregate Contagion model - description

The proposed severity contagion model is consistent with the common shock/contagion modeling paradigm, since:

- In the absence of a contagious environment, it should be inferred that;  $\sigma_{z_k}^2 \approx \sigma_{x_k}^2$ , and hence:
  - $\sigma_{x_k}^2 = Var(X_k) \approx Var[\beta Z_k] = \sigma_{z_k}^2 + b(\mu_k^2 + \sigma_{z_k}^2)$ , which implies that;  $b \approx 0$ .
- Conversely, in the presence of a strong contagious environment, it should be inferred that:
  - $\sigma_{z_k}^2 \ll \sigma_{x_k}^2$ , which, by the same argument, implies that  $Var[\beta] \gg 0$ , or  $b \gg 0$ .

Conversely, under the same assumption that:  $Var(X_k) \approx Var[\beta Z_k]$ , we have that:

- $b \approx 0$  implies that  $\sigma_{z_k}^2 = Var[\beta Z_k] \approx Var(X_k) = \sigma_{x_k}^2$ , which implies a weak contagious environment, and:
- $b \gg 0 \Rightarrow \sigma_{x_k}^2 = Var(X_k) \approx Var[\beta Z_k] = \sigma_{z_k}^2 + b(\mu_k^2 + \sigma_{z_k}^2) \gg \sigma_{z_k}^2 \Rightarrow$  strong contagious environment.

# Calibration proposed Contagion model

The proposed represents a refinement to the *current* Severity contagion approach, in the literature:  $\beta X_k$ .

- By fitting  $X_k$  to the empirical data, and then multiplying by  $\beta$ :
  - $Var[\beta X_k] = \sigma_{x_k}^2 + b(\mu_k^2 + \sigma_{x_k}^2) > \sigma_{x_k}^2 \approx Var[data]$ 
    - *i.e.*:  $\beta X_k$  will **over-estimate** the variance of the observed, per-claim, loss size data.

However, the proposed aggregate contagion model will only be useful if:

1.  $Var(X_k)$  can faithfully be modeled by the product of  $\beta$ , and  $Z_k$ :
  - *i.e.*:  $Var(X_k) \approx Var[\beta Z_k]$
2. A *calibration scheme* exist, which is able to effectively isolate the contribution of  $\beta$ , and  $Z_k$ , to the variation of the data.

We investigate these assumptions in the following case studies.



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# *Case Studies*

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# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

**We first investigate the assumptions for a *single line-of-business*:**

**Data:** 670 claims between years 2003 and 2012

- Property Natural Peril (severe convective storm)
- For a single company.
- Occurrence basis.
- Losses over 10-years: 2003 – 2012
- Loss sizes are in units of \$1,000.

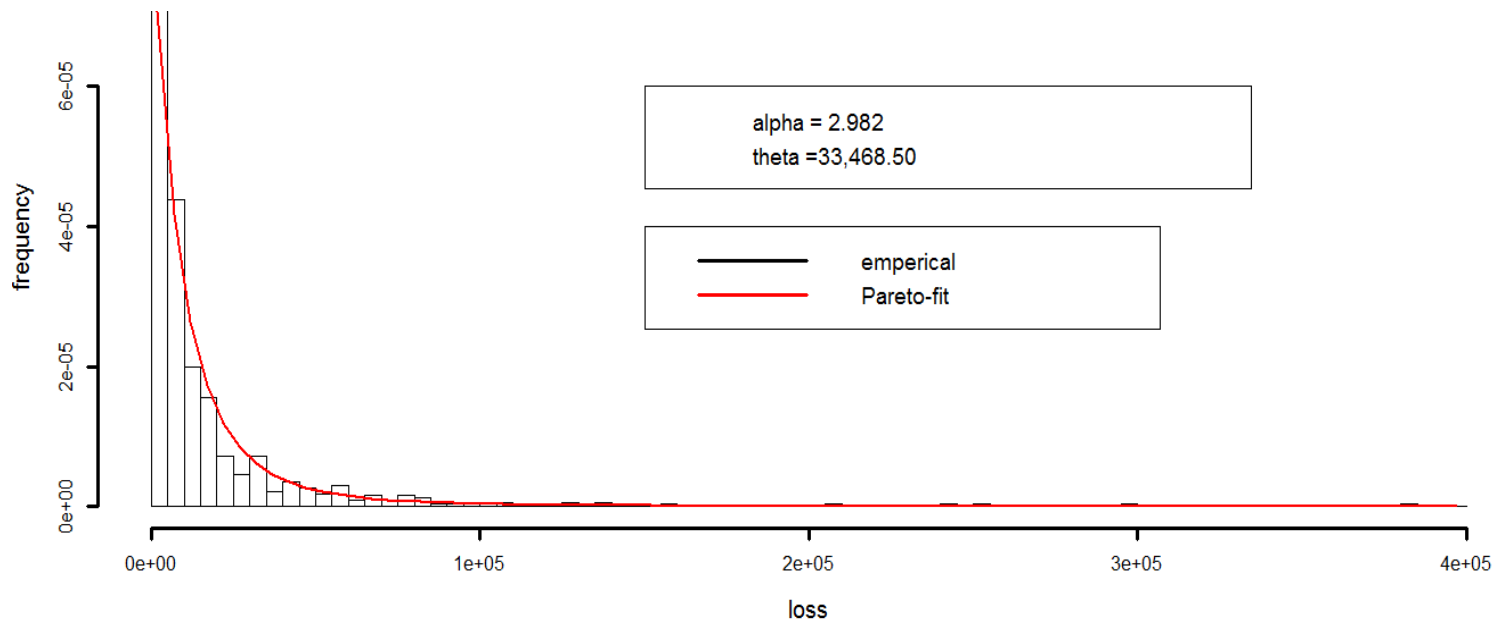
## **Frequency calibration:**

- We use a Poisson distribution for the claim counts.
- The parameter value  $\lambda$  is set equal to the empirical average annual claim counts:
  - $\lambda = \bar{X} = 67$ .
  - Solve:  $Var(N) = \lambda(1 + c \cdot \lambda)$  for  $c$ :
    - $c = \frac{\widehat{Var}(N)}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \approx 0.115$
    - $\widehat{Var}(N) = \text{sample variance}$  and  $\lambda = \bar{X} = 67$

# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

## Severity calibration:

- Using the per-claim severity data, over the full 10-years:
  - The best-fitting distribution to the per-claim severity,  $X$ , is:
    - **Pareto distribution**, with
      - $\alpha_{MLE} = \text{shape parameter} = 2.982$ , and
      - $\theta_{MLE} = \text{scale parameter} = 33,468$



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# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

**But** .... we need the distribution of the *pure, underlying*, loss process; **Z**

**Let:**

$$S^* = \sum_{i=1}^{N^*} \beta Z_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}[S^*] = \text{Var}[Z_i]E(N^*) + (E[Z_i])^2 \text{Var}(N^*) + b \cdot \{\text{Var}[Z_i]E(N^*) + (E[Z_i])^2 E(N^{*2})\}$$

**Note:** This equation incorporates both frequency and severity contagion, and does not depend on the distributional form of the claim count RV (Poisson, Negative Binomial, or Binomial).

**And:**

- $E(N^*) = \lambda$
- $\text{Var}(N^*) = \lambda(1 + c \cdot \lambda)$

**Hence:**

$$\text{Var}[S^*] = \sigma_Z^2 \lambda + \mu_Z^2 \lambda(1 + c\lambda) + b \cdot \{\sigma_Z^2 \lambda + \mu_Z^2 [\lambda(1 + c\lambda) + \lambda^2]\} = \lambda(1 + b)(\mu_Z^2 + \sigma_Z^2) + \lambda^2 \mu_Z^2 [b + c + bc]$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{\text{Var}[S^*] - \lambda\sigma_Z^2 - \lambda b(\mu_Z^2 + \sigma_Z^2) - \lambda\mu_Z^2 - \lambda^2\mu_Z^2 c}{\lambda^2\mu_Z^2(1 + c)}$$

# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

Calibration of the *pure, underlying, loss process*;  $Z$

**Set:**  $Var[S^*] = \widehat{Var}[S^*] = \text{empirical variance of the annual aggregate losses:}$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{\widehat{Var}[S^*] - \lambda\sigma_z^2 - \lambda b(\mu_z^2 + \sigma_z^2) - \lambda\mu_z^2 - \lambda^2\mu_z^2 c}{\lambda^2\mu_z^2(1+c)}$$

And use the following values (all based on the sample):

- The mean of the Poisson frequency distribution ( $\lambda = 67$ )
- The modeled mean of the per-claim severity distribution ( $\mu_z = 17,842$ )
- The modeled variance of the per-claim severity ( $Var[\beta Z] = \sigma_x^2 = 32,329^2$ )
- The *empirical* variance of the annual aggregate losses ( $Var[S^*] = 697,245^2$ )
- The frequency contagion parameter ( $c = 0.115$ )

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{Var[S^*] - \lambda \cdot Var[\beta Z] - \lambda\mu_z^2 - \lambda^2\mu_z^2 c}{\lambda^2\mu_z^2(1+c)} \approx \mathbf{0.13}$$

**And:**

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_z^2 = \frac{Var[\beta Z] - b\mu_z^2}{1+b} = 29,634^2$$

# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

Finally, using:

- $\mu_Z = 17,842$
- $\sigma_Z^2 = 29,634^2$

The distribution of the *pure, underlying*, loss process;  $Z \sim \text{Pareto}(\alpha_Z, \theta_Z)$  are determined to be:

- $\alpha_Z = 3.137$ , and
- $\theta_Z = 38,133$

Now, we perform a simulation study of the **Aggregate Annual *Layered* Losses**

$$S^* = \sum_{i=1}^{N^*} \beta Z_i$$

Using the parameter values calibrated from the actual, empirical, data:

- $N|C \sim \text{Poisson}(C \cdot 67)$  and  $C \sim \text{Gamma}(E[C] = 1, \text{Var}[C] = 0.115)$
- $Z_i \sim \text{Pareto}(3.137, 38,133)$  and  $\beta \sim \text{Gamma}(E(\beta) = 1, \text{Var}(\beta) = 0.13)$



# Case Study #1: Property Natural Peril Severity Data

**We use the following Layers, of the AAL:**

- Layer1: 0 – 7.5M
- Layer2: 7.5M – 20M
- Layer3: 20M – 45M
- Layer4: 45M – 70M
- Layer5: 70M – 100M
- Layer6: 100M – 200M

## **Simulation procedure:**

1. For each iteration of the simulation, generate 10 years of Aggregate Annual Losses under both:
  - The Traditional method
  - The Contagion method.
2. For each of the pre-defined Loss Layers (above) calculate the **Annual Aggregate losses** within each layer.
3. For each layer, calculate the *CV* of the Aggregate Annual losses, over the 10-years.

**Repeat 100,000 times.**

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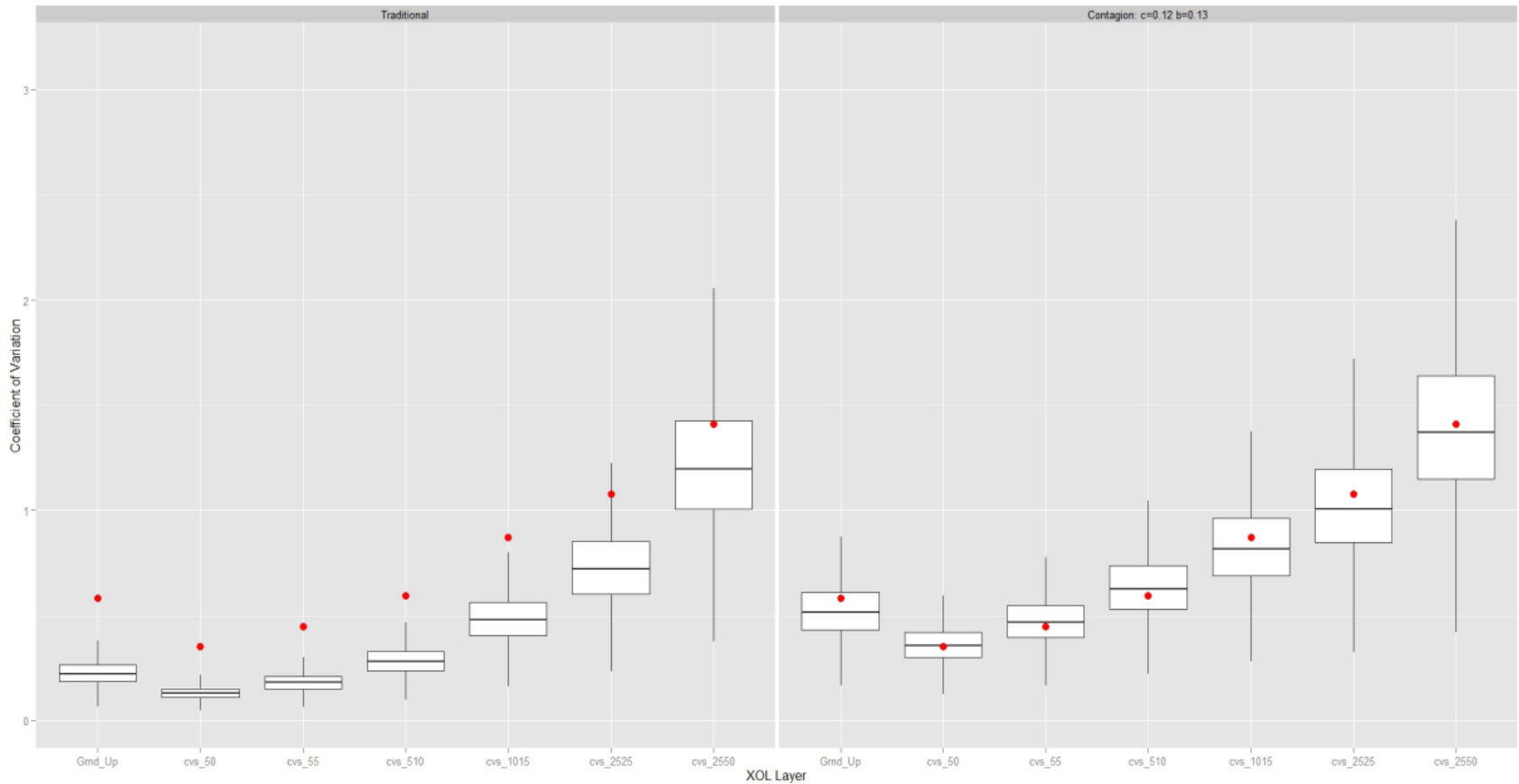
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# Case Study #1: Results

Traditional Collective Risk model

Proposed Aggregate Contagion method

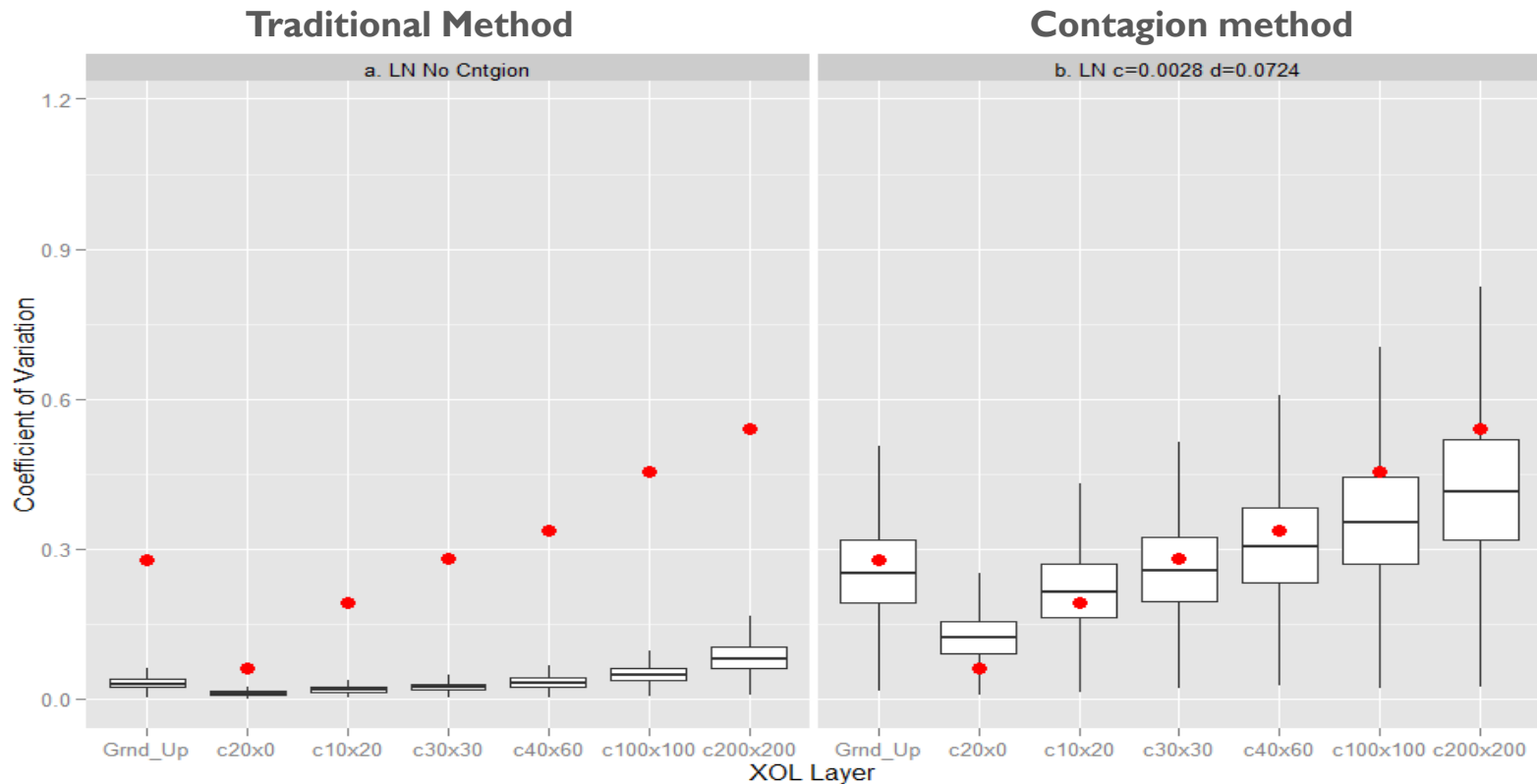


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# Case Study #2: XYZ Insurance *GL* Claims Data

## Provided loss data on:

- LOB: GL claims on transaction-level
- Losses over 5-years: 2009 – 2013
- Occurrence basis, Losses recorded after policy-limits and deductibles



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# Case Study: Summary

## ❑ **Traditional Collective Risk modeling**

- No Frequency Correlation available
- No Severity Correlation available within the LOBs
- Produces *flawed* estimates of the Variation of Aggregate Annual claims.
  - Underestimates the Variation.

## ❑ **Traditional Collective Risk *underestimates*:**

- Volatility of aggregate losses.
- Volatility of aggregate losses within XOL layers.
- Risk measure in terms of Spectral risk, TVaR or VaR.

## ❑ **Effect of Traditional Collective Risk Model:**

- May *underestimate* Capital Requirements.
- May *underprice* reinsurance contracts.

# Contagion Model: Summary

- ❑ **Contagion Model**
  - Induce frequency correlation using frequency contagion
  - Induce severity correlation through severity contagion
- ❑ **Easy to understand through implied correlation and volatility**
- ❑ **Easy to implement within high performance simulation**
- ❑ **Represent the state-of-the-art in correlation treatment (*Meta Risk, ReMetrica*)**
- ❑ **Have demonstrated that contagion exists using real life data.**
- ❑ **Have showed that the contagion can better estimate:**
  - Volatility of aggregate losses
  - Risk measure in terms of Spectral risk, TVaR or VaR
  - Expected loss of XOL layers