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Making Sense of Nat Cat Risk

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IFoA GI Asia International Working Party

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Who we are



GI Asia International Working Party created in Q2 2016



The first in Asia for the Institute & Faculty of Actuaries UK



We have members from Singapore, the UK, Hong Kong, India, China and Malaysia



We are from across the broad background from brokers, consultancies, reinsurers, insurers, and working in various functions



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What is the intention of the working party



To facilitate a market wide research on risks specific for the APAC region



To develop relationships with regulators and local actuarial bodies



To develop initially an understanding of the GI insurance and actuarial issues / hot topics



To identify the perceived relative importance of these issues / hot topics for GI actuaries



To focus on specific topics of interest, common to multiple markets, and to provide fresh light and new understanding



Who are you?

IFoA The A

1. Integrity
2. Competence
3. Impartiality
4. Compliance
5. Communication



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IFoA The Actuaries' Code

1. Integrity
2. **Competence and Care**
3. Impartiality 2.2 Members will not act unless:
 - a) they have an appropriate level of relevant knowledge and skill; or
 - b) they are acting on the advice of an individual who has the appropriate level of relevant knowledge and skill and all interested parties are aware that this is the case; or
 - c) they are acting under the direct supervision of another member who is taking professional responsibility for that work.
- 5.3 Members will take such steps as are sufficient and available to them to ensure that any communication with which they are associated is accurate and not misleading, and contains sufficient information to enable its subject matter to be put in proper context.



Responsibility is on all of us to ensure we understand and communicate risk



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9	Political risk/uncertainties	10	Third party liability	11	Commodity price risk	12	Cash flow/liquidity risk	13	Property damage	14	Directors & Officers personal liability	15	Major project failure	16	Exchange rate fluctuation
17	Corporate social responsibility/sustainability	18	Technology failure/system failure	19	Distribution or supply chain failure	20	Disruptive technologies/innovation	21	Capital availability/credit risk	22	Counter party credit risk	23	Growing burden and consequences of corporate governance/compliance	24	Weather/natural disasters
25	Failure to implement or communicate strategy	26	Merger/acquisition/restructuring	27	Injury to workers	28	Failure of disaster recovery plan/business continuity plan	29	Loss of intellectual property/data	30	Workforce shortage	31	Environmental risk	32	Crime/theft/fraud/employee dishonesty
33	Lack of technology infrastructure to support business needs	34	Inadequate succession planning	35	Product recall	36	Concentration Risk (product, people, geography)	37	Aging workforce and related health issues	38	Accelerated rates of change in market factors and geopolitical risk environment	39	Interest rate fluctuation	40	Globalization/emerging markets
41	Unethical behavior	42	Outsourcing	43	Resource allocation	44	Terrorism/sabotage	45	Climate change	46	Asset value volatility	47	Natural resource scarcity/availability of raw materials	48	Absenteeism
49	Social media	50	Sovereign debt	51	Pandemic risk/health crises	52	Share price volatility	53	Pension scheme funding	54	Harassment/discrimination	55	Kidnap and ransom/extortion		

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But what about APAC?



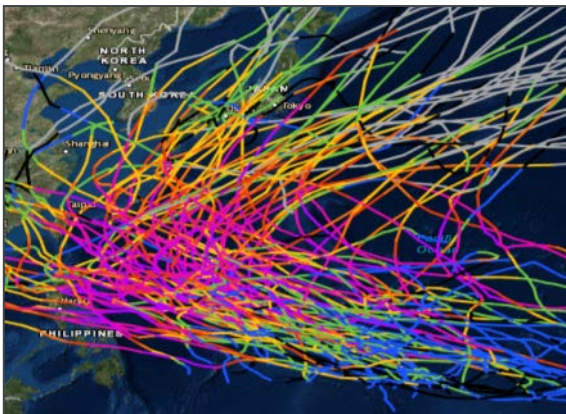
Thailand flood



Japan Earthquake and Tsunami



New Zealand Earthquake



Typhoon



Volcanic Risk



Jakarta Flood

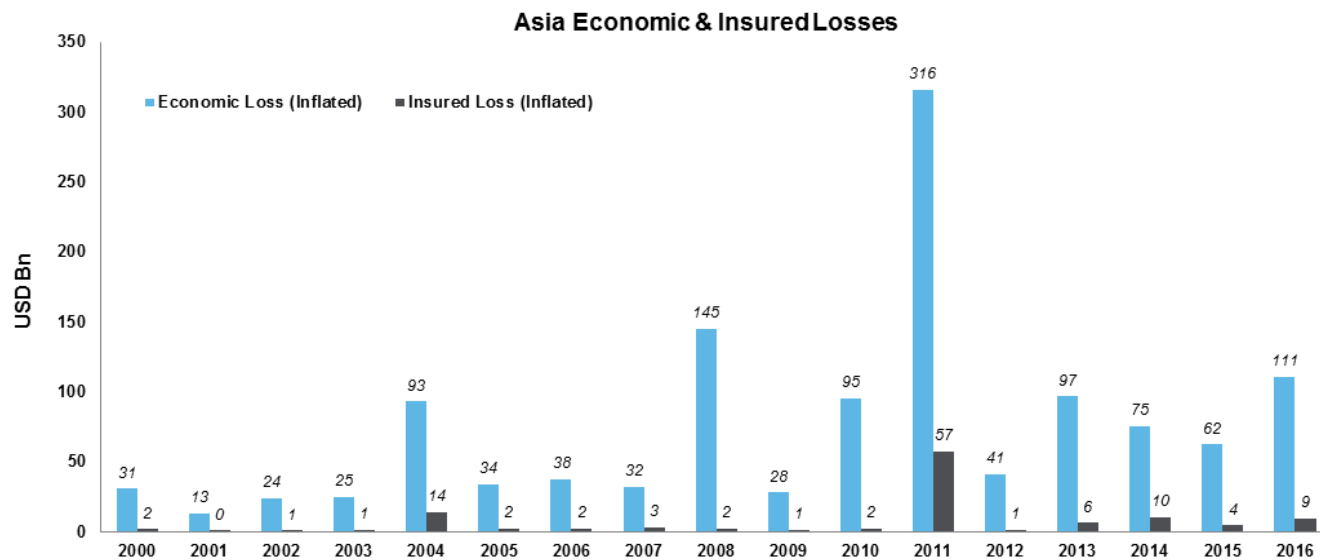


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- Seven of the top ten Mega Cities will be in Asia by 2025

Asia Economic and Insured Losses from Catastrophes

- In 2016 just over 10% of catastrophe losses in Asia were insured (US 53%, Europe 33%)
- Minimal insured experience to help develop and validate models



Source: Aon Benfield

Insured to Economic Loss %	
US	53%
Europe	33%
APAC	12%
AU/NZ	40%
Japan	40%
Asia (exJPN)	6%

- Understanding nat-cat more widely and accurately may help us design products to allow more prefunding for nat-cat loss in Asia (via insurance pools, fund, bonds etc.)



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Regulatory Requirements: an example of China

- China's second-generation solvency regime, China Risk-Oriented Solvency System (C-ROSS) has come into effect since 1st January 2016.
 - The old supervisory regime did not take into account catastrophe risk of non-life insurance business, which was regarded as one of drawbacks of the old regime.
- *Regarding non-life insurance risk, C-ROSS computes non-cat risk capital and cat risk capital respectively and uses them to compute the whole non-life insurance risk capital with a coefficient of correlation.*

$$MC_{Non-life} = \sqrt{MC_{Non-cat}^2 + 2 \times \rho \times MC_{Non-cat} * MC_{Cat} + MC_{Cat}^2}$$



Regulatory Requirements: an APRA example

- Regulatory focus on catastrophe risk has increased significantly in recent times.
 - ownership and understanding of cat risk management resides with the insurer
 - non modelled perils and components
 - methodology, data and assumptions
 - sensitivity of results
- *These points lead to more intensive scrutinisation that may require catastrophe modelling to be augmented with additional data or assumptions to address any concerns or non modelled elements*
- APRA are not unique in these concerns, with other regulatory regimes and rating agencies taking a similar stance
- Solvency II also pushing in the same direction
- Asia looking to others for best practice

GPS 116: Catastrophe models

It is common practice for an insurer to use computer-based modelling techniques, developed either in-house or by external providers, to estimate likely losses under different catastrophe scenarios. If an insurer uses such a model, the model must be conceptually sound and capable of consistently producing realistic calculations.

An insurer must be able to demonstrate:

- (a) that the model has been **researched** and **tested**;
- (b) that the insurer has taken measures to ensure that the data used to estimate its losses is sufficiently consistent, accurate and complete, and there is appropriate documentation of any estimates of data used; and
- (c) **an understanding of the model used** in estimating losses, including;
 - (i) perils and elements that are not included in the model;
 - (ii) assumptions and any estimates used in the modelling process; and
 - (iii) the **sensitivity of the model outputs** as a result of the factors in (i) and (ii).



Current Catastrophe Risk Management Practices – What is yours?

- Do you know if your company currently does Catastrophe Modelling?
- If it does, do you know who is in charge/who is taking responsibility for it?
- How is it done, what are the issues/limitations of the analysis?
- Are the limitations accounted for in any analysis and communicated to stakeholders?



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Actuary



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Management



Underwriter



- As actuaries we are obligated by our responsibility to our company that we do our best as professionals to ensure its solvency, which means being aware of possible sources of risk and disruption



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Catastrophe Risk and Modelling

- What are the sources of uncertainty and potential limitations

<p>Stochastic Event Module</p>  <p>Database of stochastic EQ/TY events</p>	<p>Hazard Module</p>  <p>EQ intensity/TY at each risk</p>	<p>Vulnerability Module</p>  <p>Damage ratio of TSI</p>	<p>Financial Analysis Module</p>  <p>Losses on different Re/insurance structure</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local, regional or global data? • How long? <p><i>similar across models</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution • Secondary perils <p><i>methodology might vary</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local application • Experience based • Available coverages <p><i>most challenging</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for local conditions • Demand Surge <p><i>standardised</i></p>

- *What about non-property lines?*



Challenges in Catastrophe Risk Assessment in Asia

Nature of typical insured portfolio – law of large numbers

- In some cases, smaller portfolios of high valued risks – higher potential volatility

Low insurance penetration, specialist portfolios

- Access to and lack of loss experience
- Typhoon Haiyan is a typical example

Access to development data

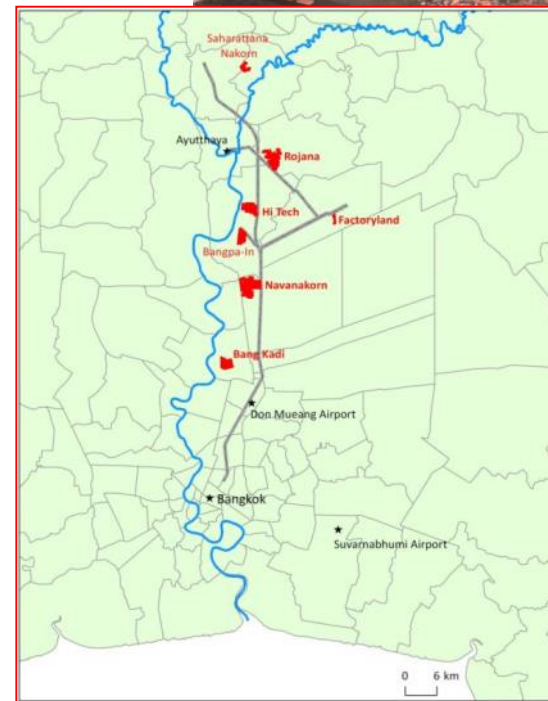
- Difficult to access required data - thus reliance on lower resolution or regional data

Historically US centric development with catastrophe modelling

- Recently changing with recognition of local needs

Modelled perils can give rise to large losses

- Surge, fire following, tsunami etc.
- Exasperated by all points above



Red areas: industrial estates



Dynamic Cat Model Landscape for APAC

Continual investment in Asia from Catastrophe Model Vendors in recent times. All model vendors now have local offices in Asia. Many of the secondary perils (precipitation, flooding, storm surge, tsunami) are now addressed.

Catastrophe Model Availability, number of models available from global providers

Country	Perils Covered		
	EQ	WS	FL
Australia	3	3	
China	3	3	1
Hong Kong	3	3	
India	3	2	
Indonesia	3		1
Japan	4	4	
New Zealand	3	1	
Philippines	4	3	
Singapore	4		
South Korea	1	4	
Taiwan	3	4	
Thailand	4	2	1
Vietnam	3	2	1
Macau	3	3	
Malaysia	3	2	1
Pakistan	2	1	
Guam	1	3	



Indicates where there is a new or revised model for 2016/17

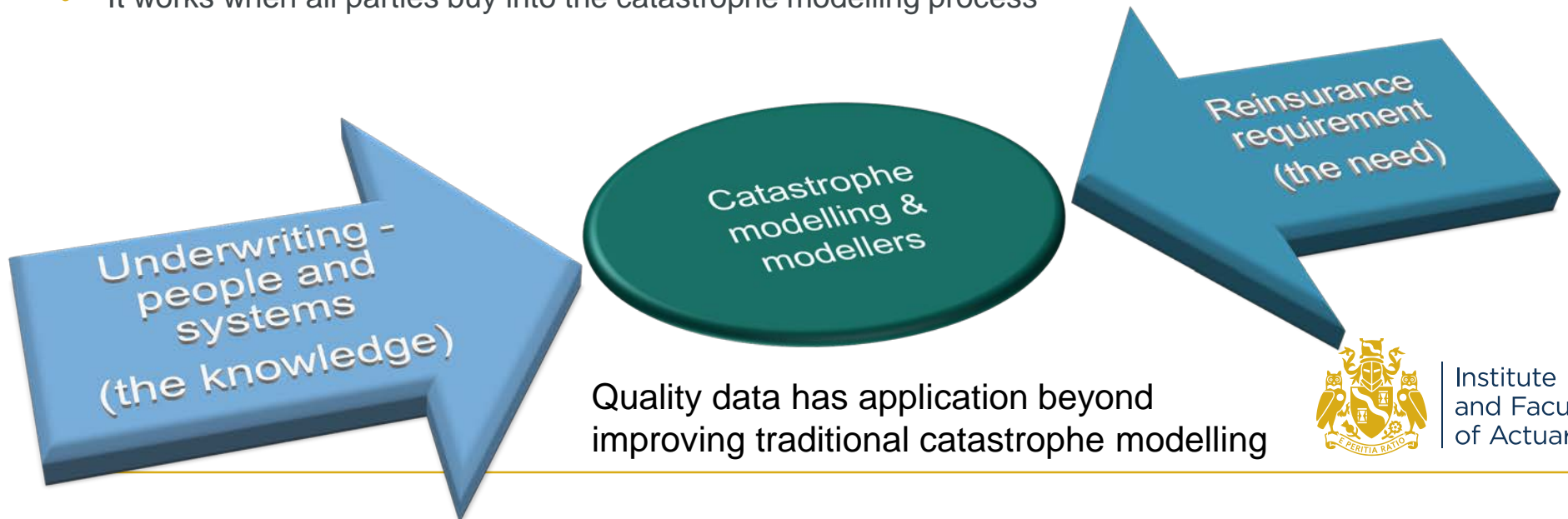


Data is key

Importance and impact of data remains poorly understood or addressed

"All discussions of catastrophic exposure management begin with the accuracy and availability of the exposure data. The most sophisticated, complex catastrophe modeling systems cannot estimate an insurer's losses if the insurer cannot identify what insurance coverages have been written and where those risks are located."

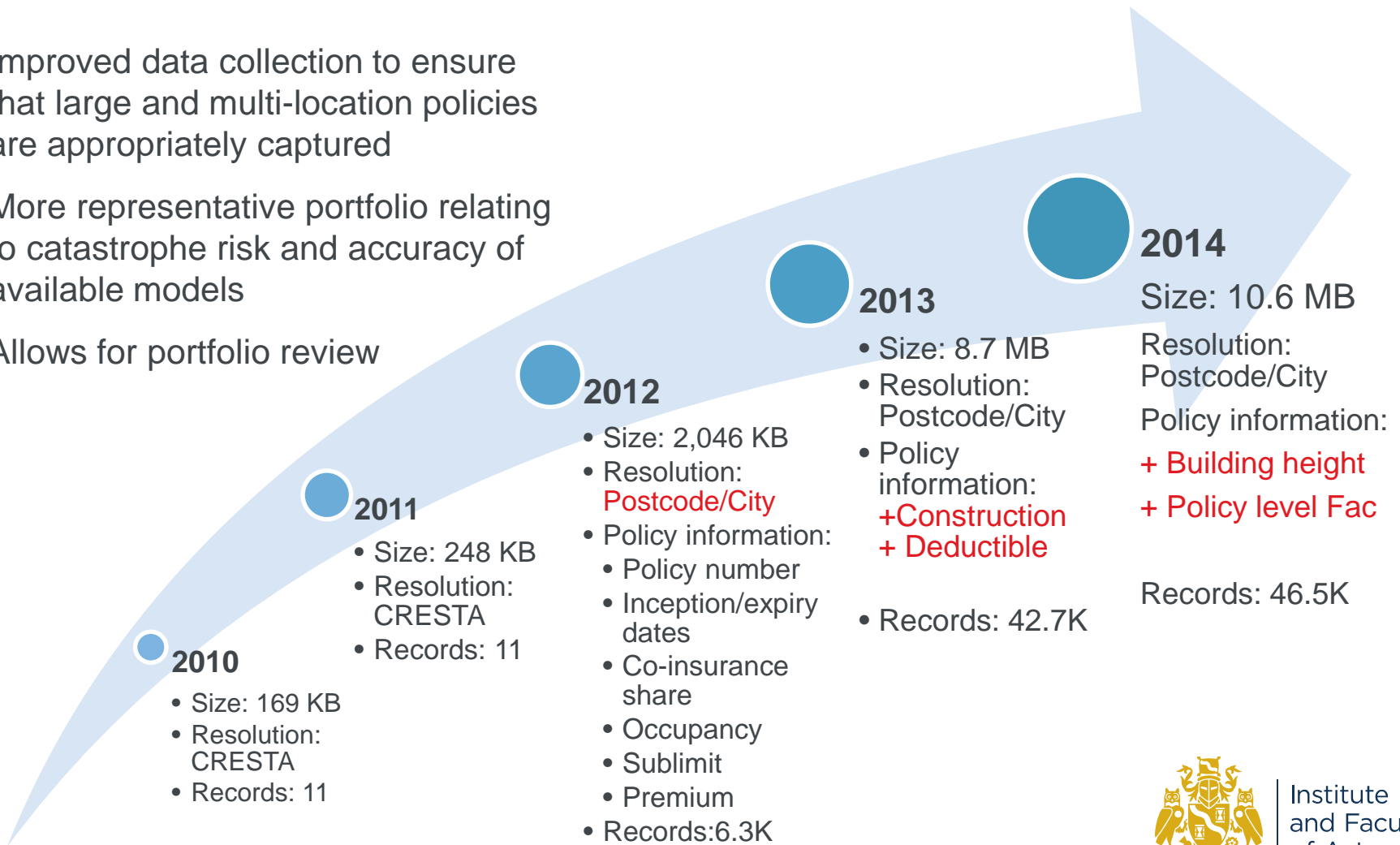
- Source: Measuring and Managing Catastrophe Risk (1995) Kozlowski & Mathewson, CAS.
- The modelling landscape within APAC has seen an increase in sophistication and scope of models
- External pressure from catastrophe events and regulatory agencies has also put a higher focus on data
- It works when all parties buy into the catastrophe modelling process



Data Improvement

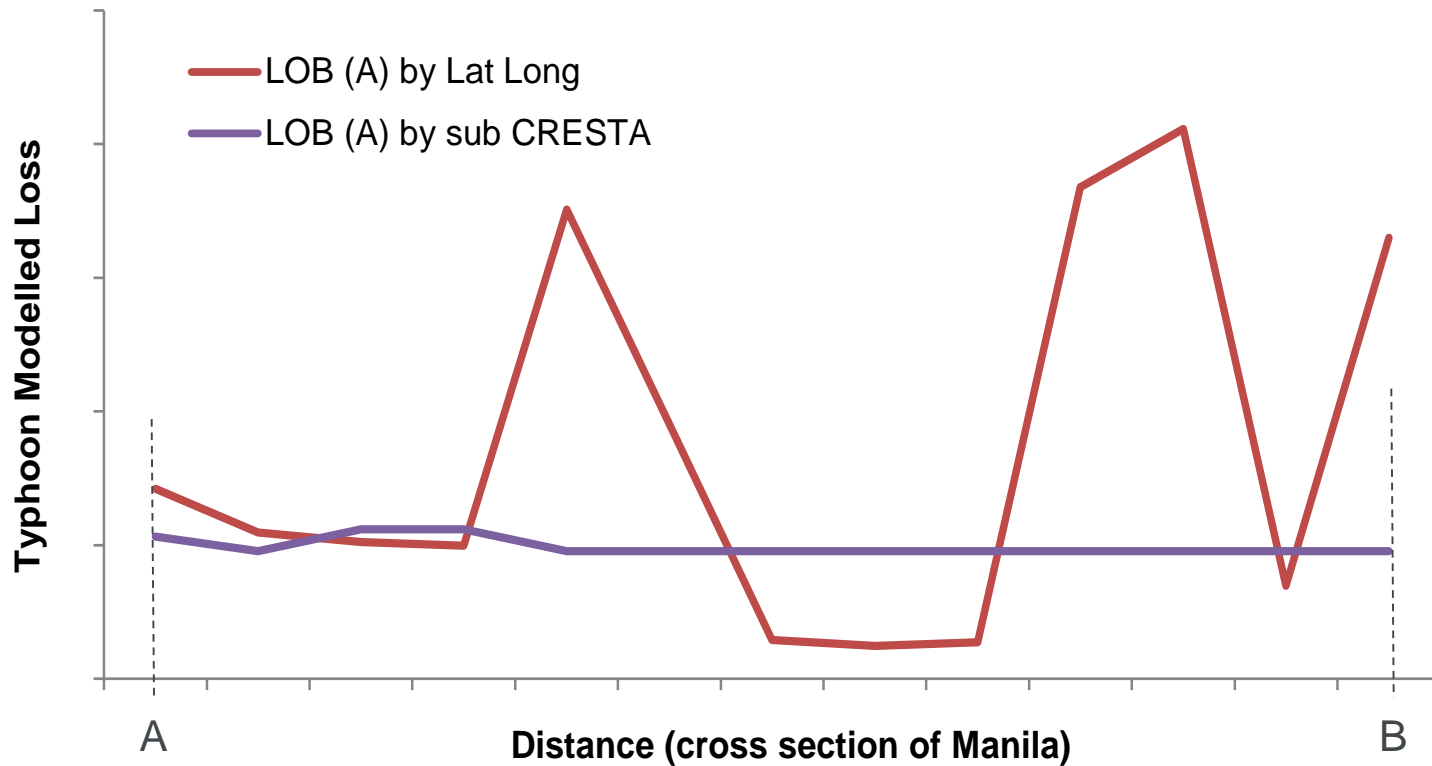
Korea example

- Improved data collection to ensure that large and multi-location policies are appropriately captured
- More representative portfolio relating to catastrophe risk and accuracy of available models
- Allows for portfolio review



Simple Data Improvement Example

- There are other factors that can have a significant impact to volatility, but they are not unknown



Challenges in loss estimation

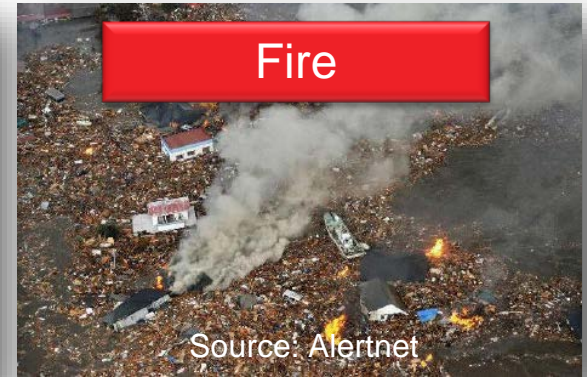
2011 Tohoku Japan Earthquake example

Nuclear Power Meltdown



Source: Digitalglobe

Fire



Source: Alertnet

Earthquake

Flooding



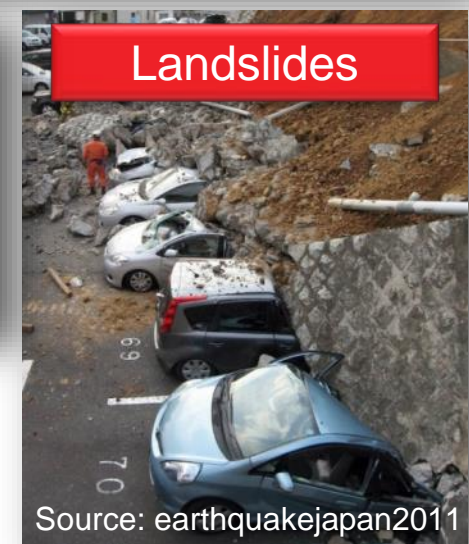
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Liquefaction



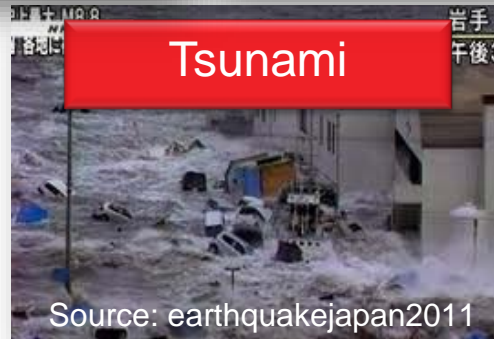
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Landslides



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Tsunami



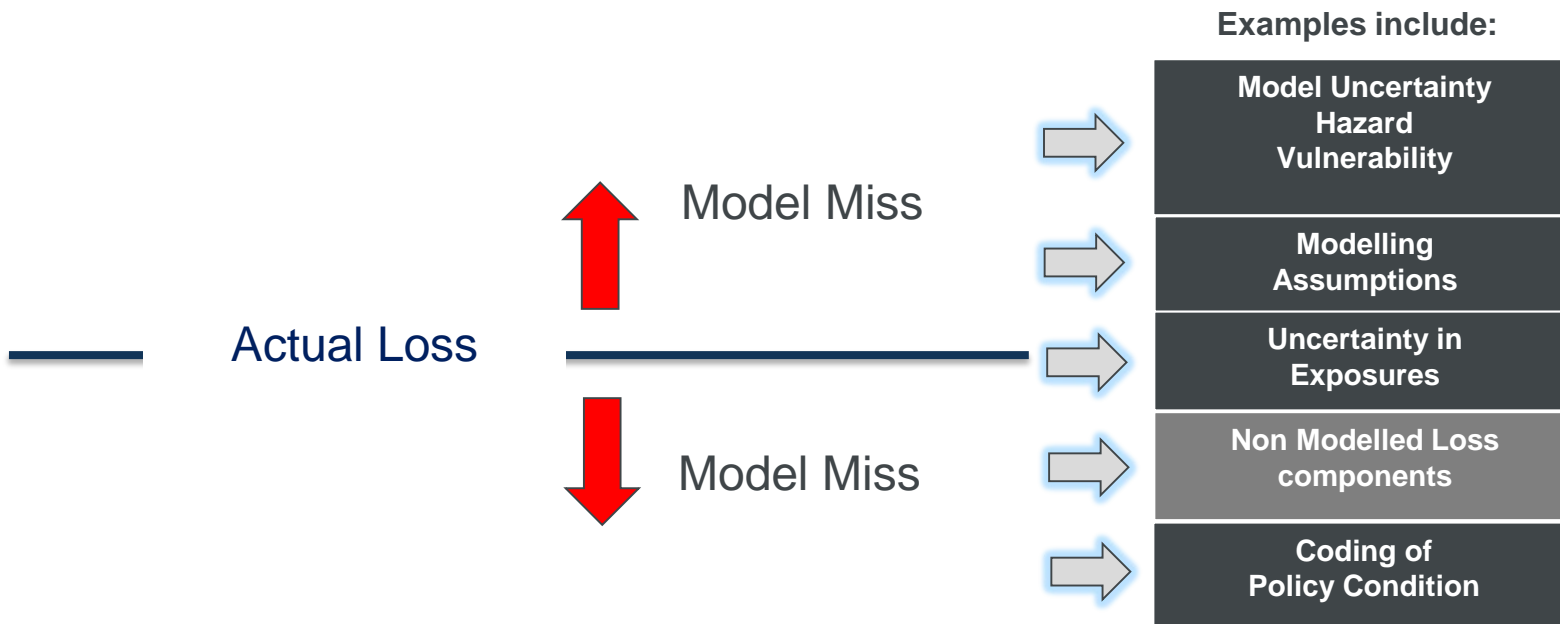
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Defining non modelled loss against model miss

- **Model miss** - Difference between actual and modelled loss where **non modelled loss** is a potentially significant contributing component
- Model miss is the uncertainty in the modelling results not underestimation

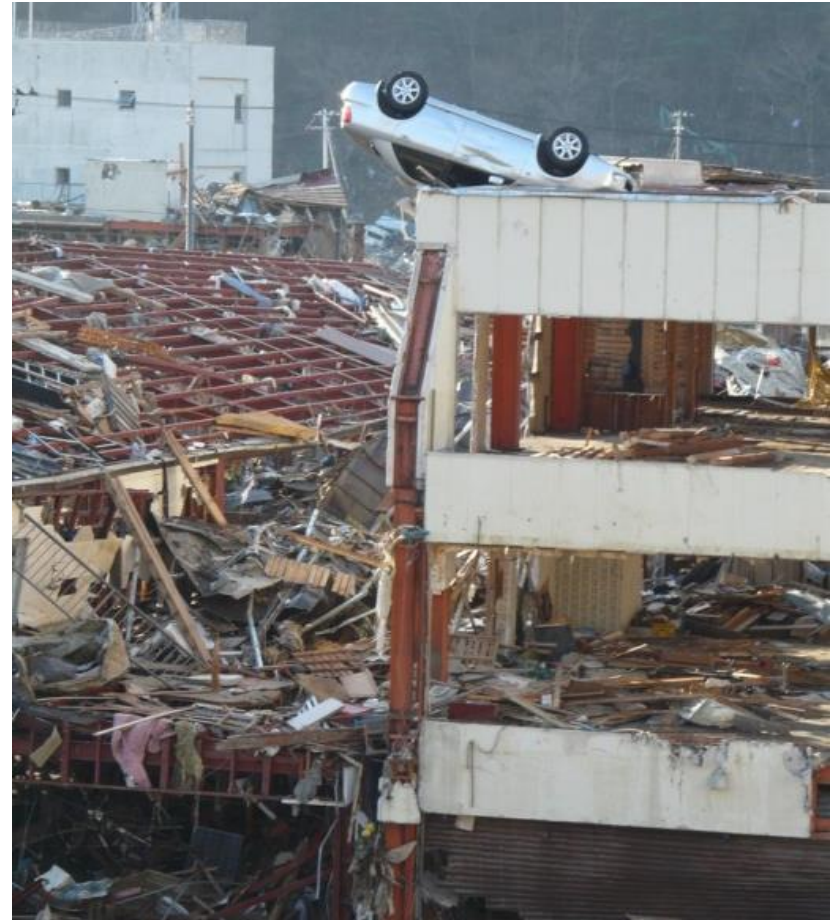


- Impact of model miss (uncertainty) can be reduced or better quantified through improved understanding, addressing data concerns and reviewing non modelled loss potential



Various methods to account for non modelled components

- Awareness
- Consider if the model already accounts for some level of non modelled elements?
 - What claims experience forms the basis of vulnerability formation or model calibration?
 - Where are the historic events in the scheme of the losses in question?
 - Engage the modelling company to understand more
- Use experience from other regions to apply approximate factors
- Modify or load data to account for additional elements not covered
- Attempt to address individual elements through expert solicitation
- Use scenarios to understand and stress test the potential impact of non modelled elements



Don't Ignore Your Local Expert

- Models don't have all the answers
- Access local underwriting knowledge into the risk assessment and decision making process



Determining your View of Risk

- Variable experience of companies using vendor catastrophe models to determine View of Risk:

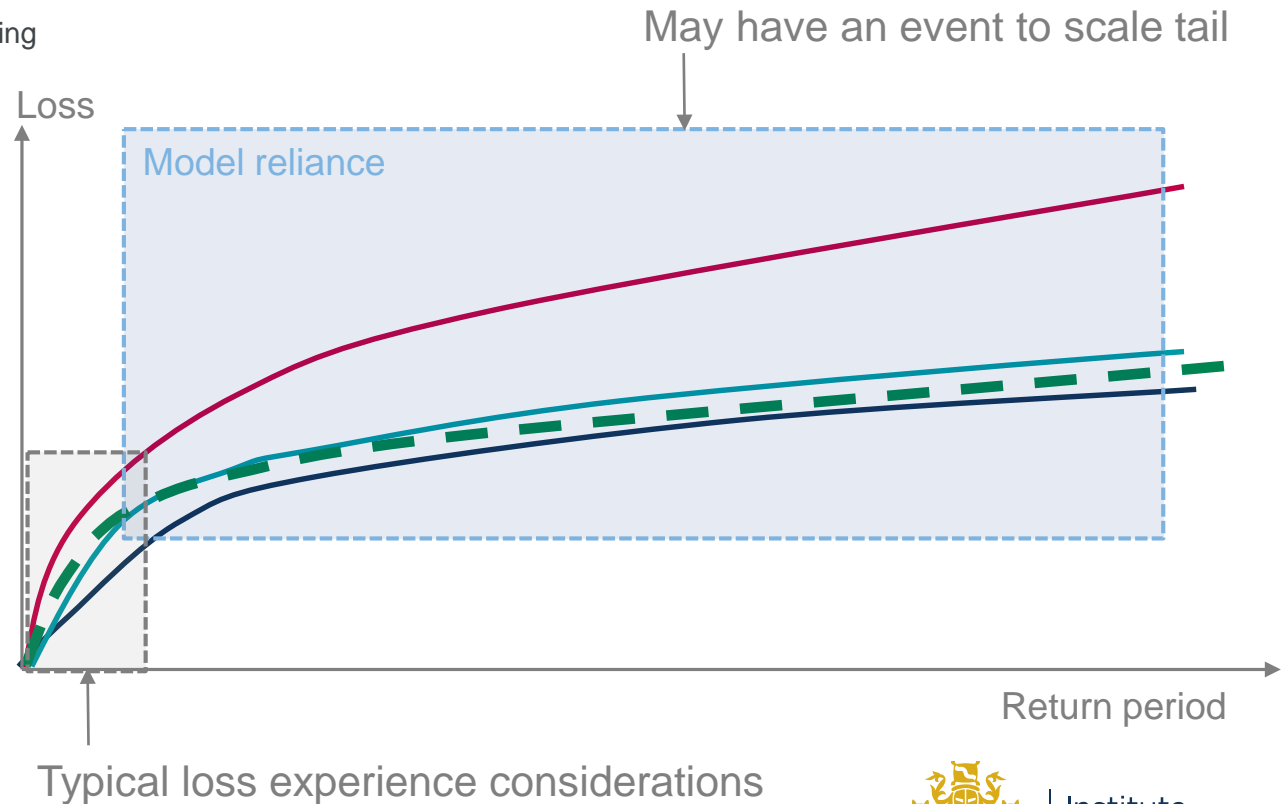
- Selection of preferred model
- Weighting multi-model results
- Selection of base model and adjusting

- Basis for decision will vary

- Access to Models
- Experience
- Model Evaluation
- Fit for purpose

- Examples of adjustment

- Non-modelled perils
- Non-modelled exposures
- Loss experience versus model view



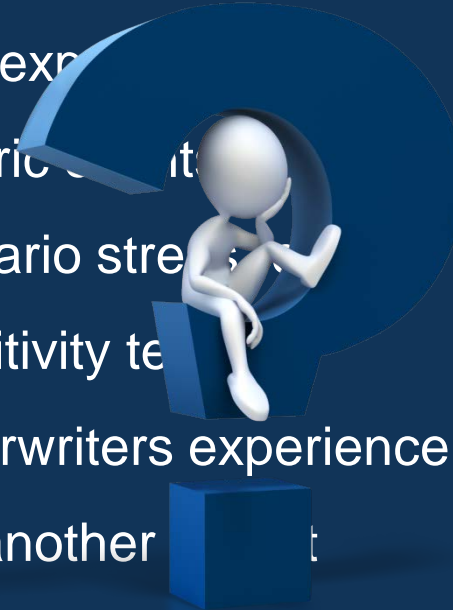
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- Adoption of a single cat model within a company
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- Clash

Solutions

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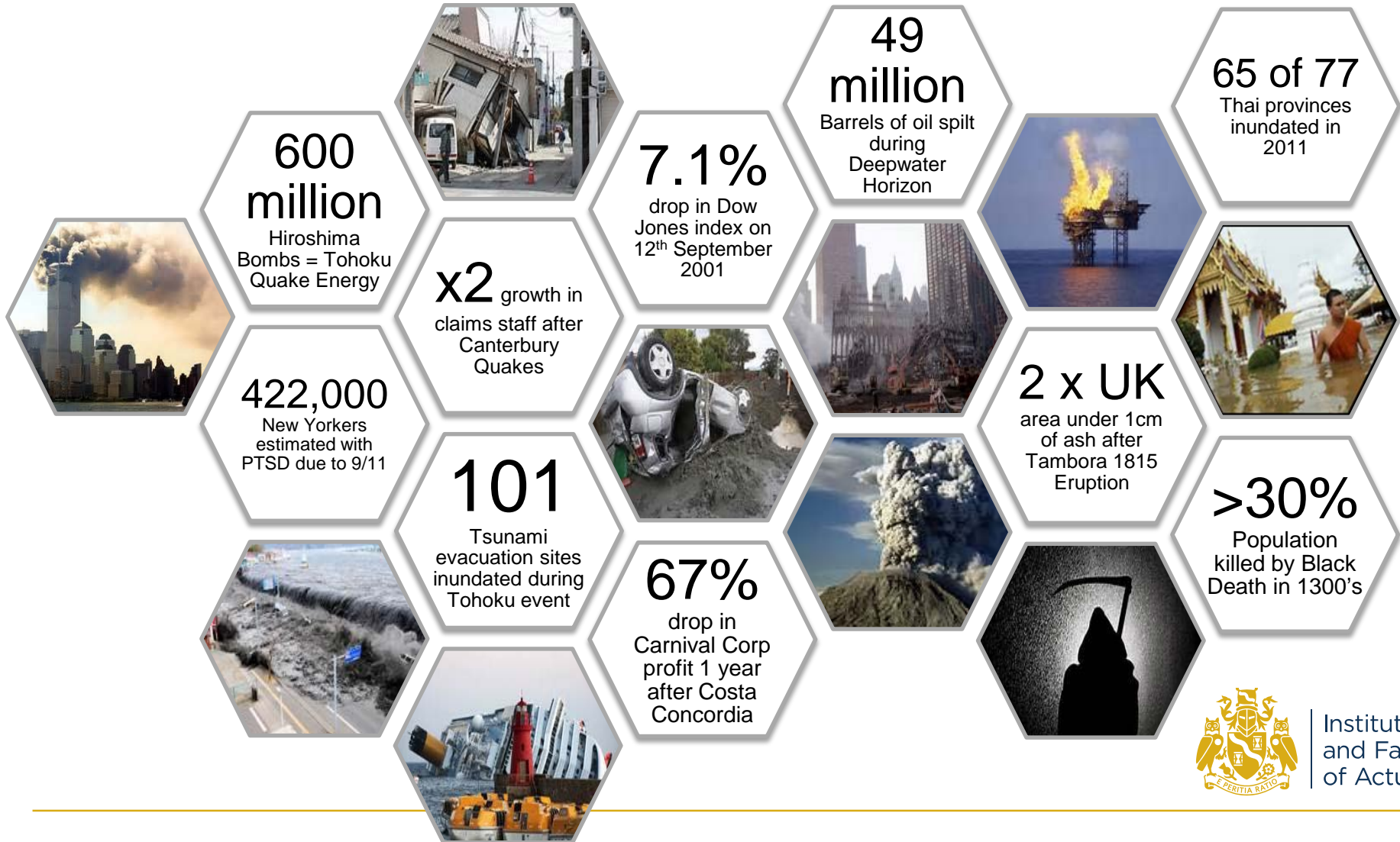
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What are the Next Steps for Working Party

- We want to hear from you
 - Local, Regional Challenges
 - Key issues within your market
 - Data challenges
 - Our immediate focus is on Nat-Cat Risk
- How will the working party engage you
 - Survey
 - One-on-one
 - Continuous Feedback
 - Industry events



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