

Modeling Secondary Catastrophe Perils

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Agenda

- Different types of Natural catastrophe models and their uses
- Why some perils are modeled differently than others
 - Locational accuracy
- Modeling Severe Convective Storm

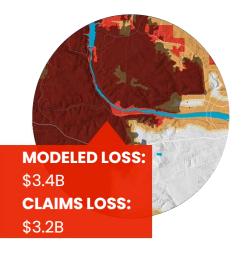
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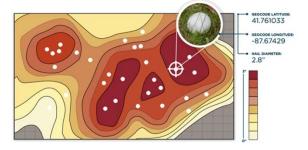
Types of Natural Catastrophe Models



DETERMINISTIC

What could happen?





PROBABILISTIC What if it happened?

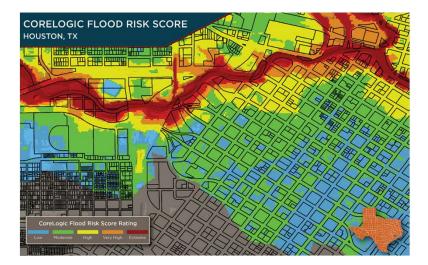
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FORENSIC What did happen?

Deterministic Models

- Provides a score (1-100) that represents the relative risk for a specific peril, at a specific location
- May only be relative to the hazard/frequency of a damaging event, while some include a measure of estimated loss based on the structure present



Deterministic Models

Flood Risk Score example

Create comprehensive spectrum of flood risk classifications

- Above/below 100-year flood elevation, up to 5,000-year flood event
- 10–100 score

Compare unknown (targeted property elevation) with known risk point (100-year flood elevation)

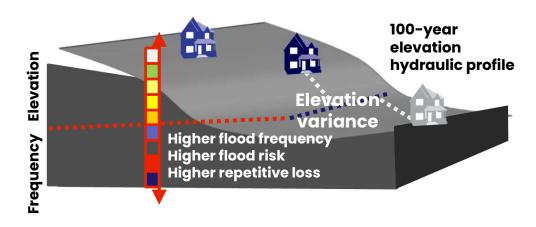
 Derive risk scores based on elevation variances (elevation difference between 100-year elevations and property elevations/first floor height)

The challenge: to build 100-year flood surface profile to cover national rivers, lakes, coastal zones and other water bodies

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Lower flood frequency Lower flood risk

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Probabilistic Models

- Start with a large event set (historical and simulated); each event has a frequency of occurrence
- Based on characteristics of the event at any location, the structure vulnerability and associated loss can be calculated





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Probabilistic Models

Range of information provided

- Outputs include:
 - Event Loss tables and Yearly Loss tables

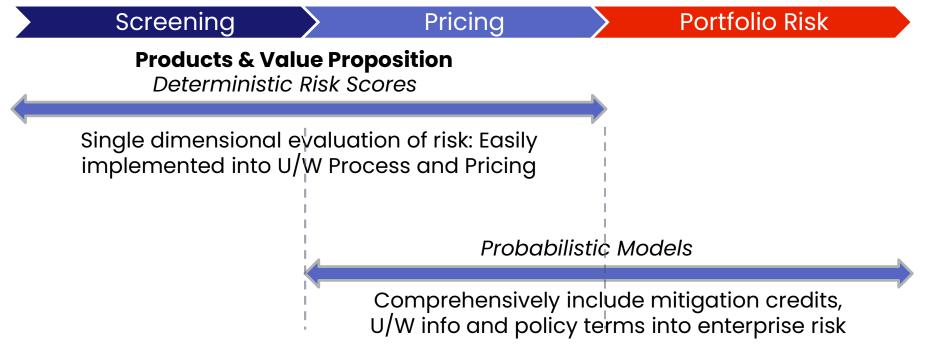
- Average Annual Loss (AAL's) the expected loss per year (average of all simulated years)
- Standard Deviation of AAL (sometimes used as a risk load along with AAL for pricing)
- Probable Maximum Loss (PML's) the loss expected at a given frequency (i.e. 100 year PML 1% frequency)
- Tail Value at Risk (TVaR) average of all losses that could happen beyond a given frequency (average of the top 1% losses)

Natural Catastrophe Offerings to Insurers/Reinsurers

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A Complete Suite of Products to Cover the Insurers' Needs

Insurance Activity



Uniqueness of various perils – Secondary Perils

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Smaller Footprint catastrophes

- Potentially more frequent
- Smaller geographic area affected
- Historical event experience is included when modeling the potential for future events
 - Hail

Uniqueness of various perils

Locational Accuracy

- Larger footprint events may not require the same level of locational granularity as smaller footprint events
- Most perils require accurate location / geocoding to ensure the best answer from the model
 - Flood (elevation changes)
 - Wildfire (distance to high risk vegetation)

Developing Hail Risk: Base Data Layers

Hail Report Based

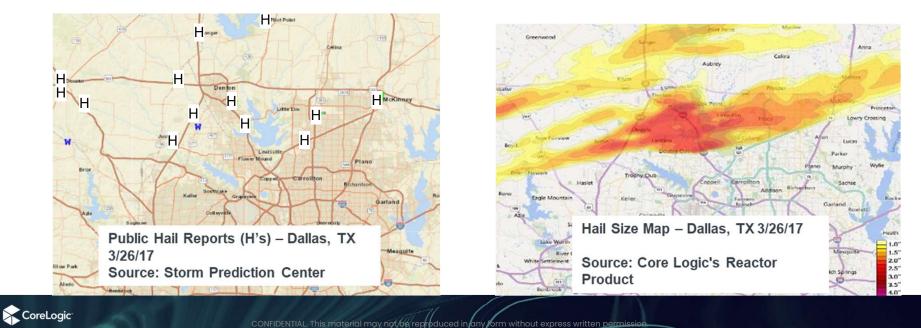
Deliverable: Frequency of hail events in County or Zip Code

 Can estimate the frequency of an event but not the hail size breakdown within the event (A 1.5" hail event occurs in Dallas County every 1.5 years)

Hail Footprint Based

Deliverable: Frequency of observed hail size at property

Can estimate the hail-size specific frequency of hail events (This property is expected to be hit by *at least* 1.5" hail every 15)



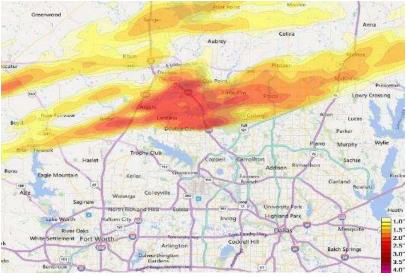
Developing Hail Risk: Hail Footprint Granularity

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Hail Footprint Based

Deliverable: Frequency of observed hail size at property

- Realistic, high-resolution hail footprints derived from proprietary radar-based weather forensic algorithm from CoreLogic
- Granularity is improved by 5-6x over using reports
- Hail Footprint Statistics Dallas Hailstorm
 - Dallas Area: 200 sq miles
 - 1-1.25" : 20 sq miles (10% of land)
 - 1.25-1.5" : 10 sq miles (5% of land)
 - 1.5"-1.75": 3 sq miles (2% of land)
 - 1.75"-2.0": 3 sq miles (1% of land)
 - +2.0": 1 sq miles (0.5% of land)





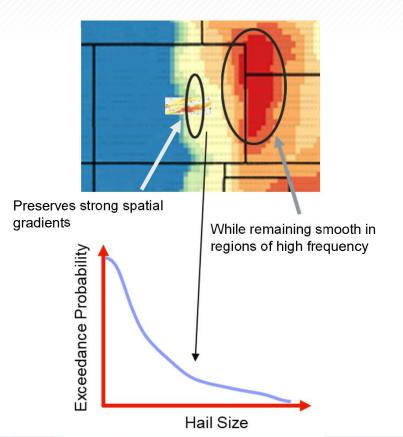
Source: Core Logic's Reactor Product



Developing Hail Risk from Footprints

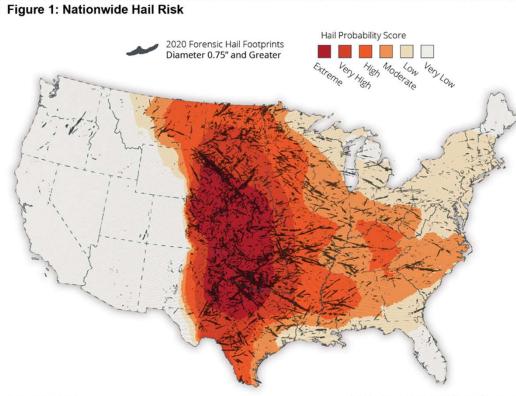
Steps to create an EP Curve

- Footprint Catalog
 - 2009-2016 hail footprints based on CoreLogic Hail Verification Technology
- Smooth Historical Footprints
 - Environment-Conforming Smoothing: Identifies regions with strong but physical gradients in storm behavior, while also sufficiently smoothing in regions with naturally high variability
 - SPC (Storm Prediction Center) hail reports, 1950-2016
 - NARR (North American Regional Reanalysis) daily historical environmental data 1979-2016
 - Combine frequency of environments and reports to create zones of homogenous hail storm frequency and behavior





Hail Risk across the Contiguous USA



Source: CoreLogic

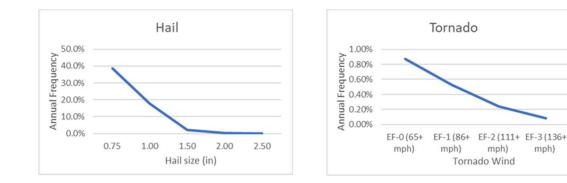
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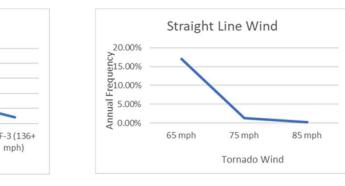


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Exceedance Probability (EP) curve examples

lat	33.00000				
lon	-97.00000				
North Texas					
	Hail	Tornado	Tornado	Straight Line	SLW
Hail size	annual freq	Wind	annual freq	<u>Wind</u>	annual freq
0.75	38.5%	EF-0 (65+ mph)	0.87%	65 mph	17.01%
1.00	17.8%	EF-1 (86+ mph)	0.52%	75 mph	1.26%
1.50	2.3%	EF-2 (111+ mph)	0.24%	85 mph	0.20%
2.00	0.3%	EF-3 (136+ mph)	0.08%		
2.50	0.1%				







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Tornado Wind



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