

Data Preparation for Predictive Modeling

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Outline

- Why make a big deal about data prep?
- How to do a good data prep
- Case study

What is the big deal?

- You need good prep to meet actuarial Standards of Practice.
- You need good prep to get good results.
- It isn't as easy as you think.

ASOP 23 – Data Quality

3.3 Reliance on Data Supplied by Others

- “the accuracy and comprehensiveness of data supplied by others are the responsibility of those who supply the data”

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3.5 Review of Data

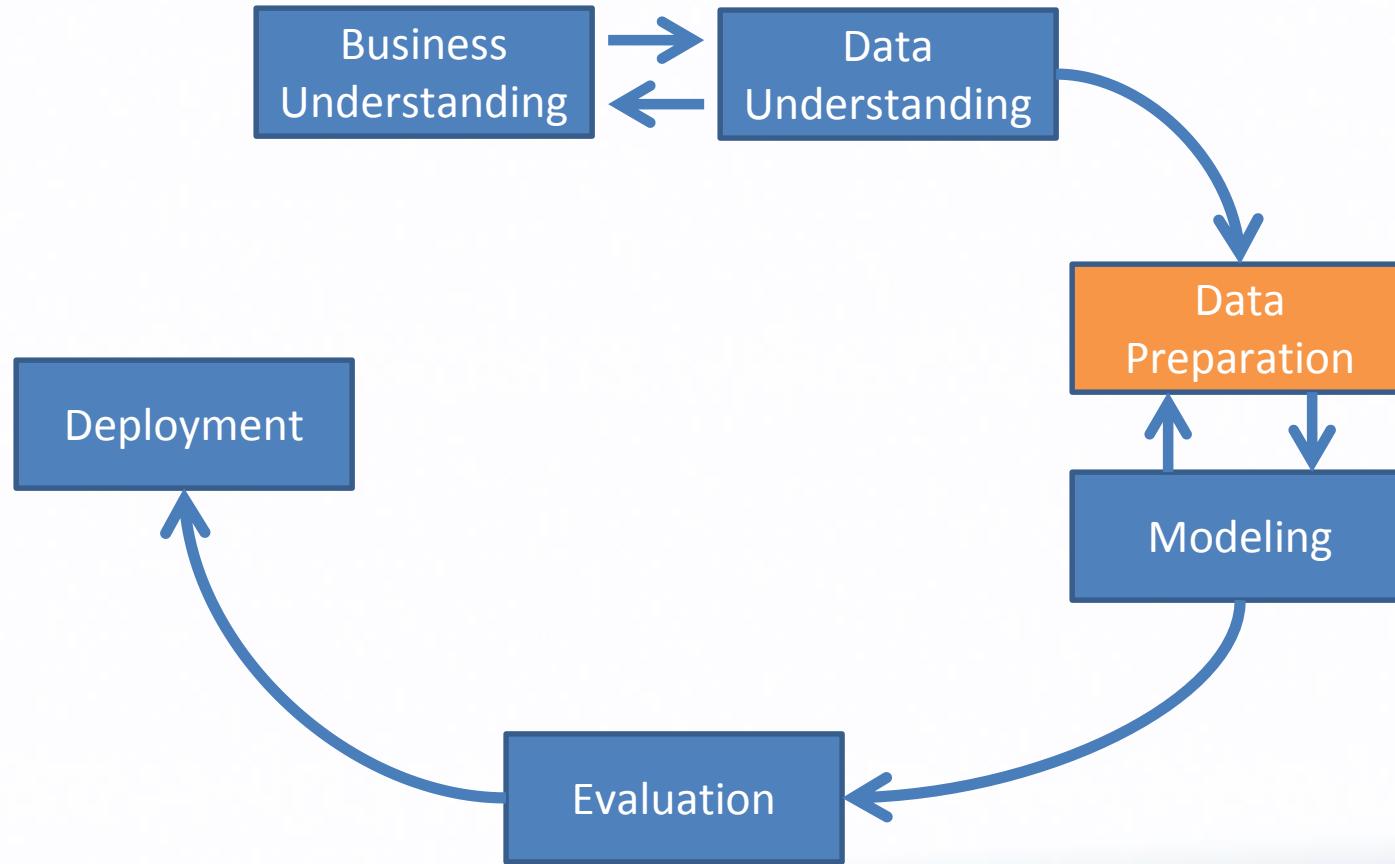
- “the actuary should review the data for reasonableness and consistency, unless, in the actuary’s professional judgment, such review is not necessary or not practical”
- Should consider the following
 - Data definitions
 - Questionable data values
 - Review of prior data

ASOP 23 – Data Quality

3.7 Use of Data

- Is the data sufficient for the analysis?
- Does it require enhancement?
- Are there material defects?
- If the data are inadequate, the actuary should obtain different data or decline the assignment

What can go wrong?



Steps for good data prep

- Understand the business problem.
- Develop initial analysis plan.
- Review the raw data.
- Calculate the targets and predictors.
- Manually check calculations on examples.
- Review the prepped data.
- Document!

Understanding the business problem

- What is the problem area?
- What is the current solution?
- What are the business goals?
- How will the model(s) be used to achieve the goals?
- What are the implementation constraints?
- What is the desired timeline?

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Problem area	Homeowners insurer in Florida wants to grow its HO3 book of business profitably.
Current solution	Appoint more agencies in profitable areas.
Business goals	Add HO3 policies in Broward, Duval, Lee, Orange, and Volusia counties.
Proposed approach	Build a model to estimate expected loss ratios given data available in a prospect database. Then score the prospect database, and provide list of most profitable prospects to current agencies.
Implementation constraints	Focus on higher-value homes, exclude current policyholders, do not use credit report data.
Timeline	ASAP!

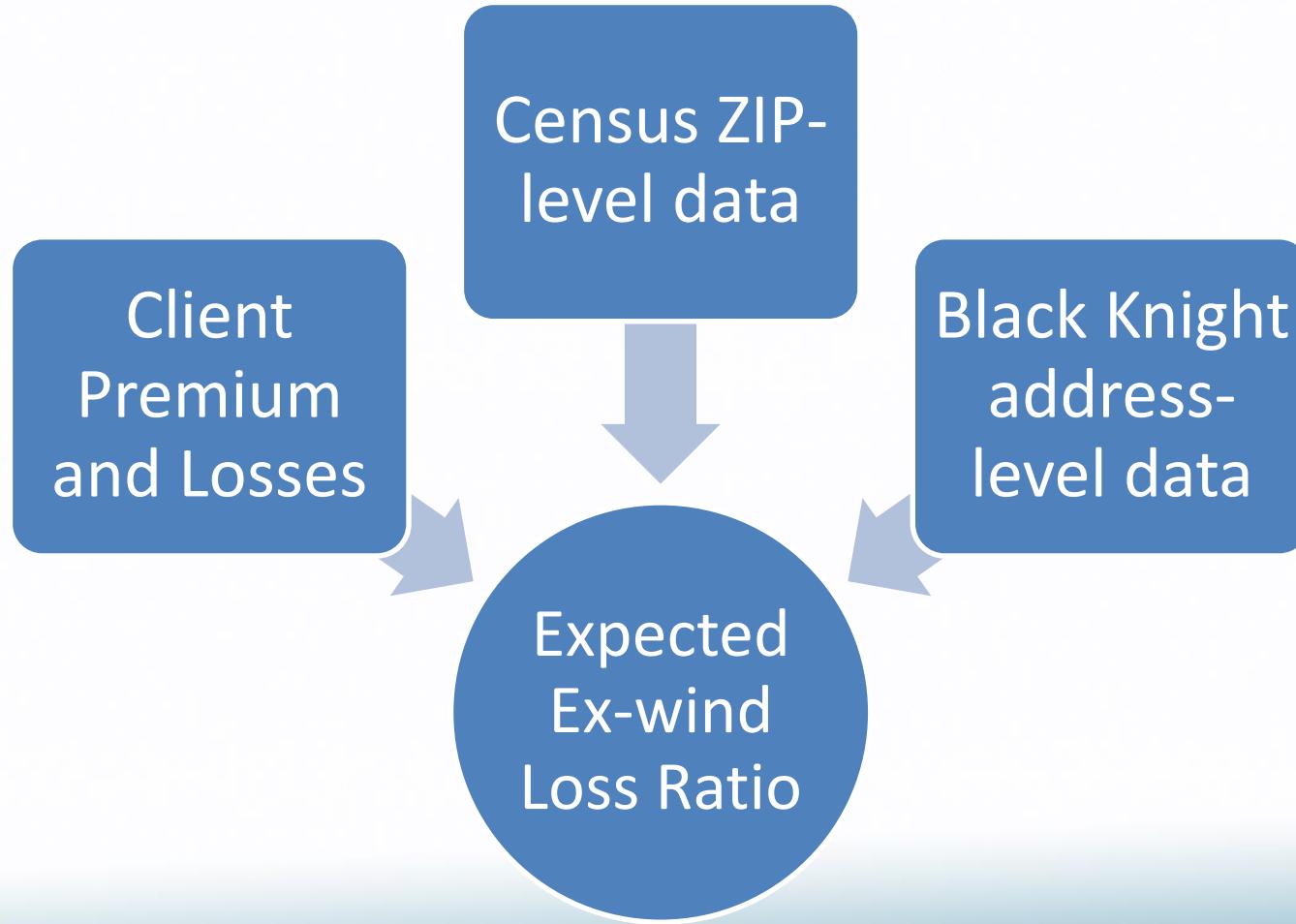
Develop initial analysis plan

- Is the data needed available? Where is it stored, how to access?
- What is the sample size?
- What modeling technique(s) are going to be applied? Using what software?
- How exactly are we defining the target variable(s)? What adjustments will be needed?

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- Need to match prospecting data to client loss ratios. Based on discussions with the client, we used Census data, as well as third party data from Black Knight, who can match onto client data by address
- Client has about 800,000 earned house years
- Use boosted scoring algorithm in EagleEye software
- Target variable will be ex-wind loss ratio at current rates. Data adjustments include
 - Extend exposures to get premium at CRL
 - Exclude wind losses

Data Overview



Review the raw data

- Number of records received
- List of fields
- Sample of records
- Distributions of all variables – check for reasonable values
- Produce summary by year

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QC BlackKnight.txt



QC PolicyData.txt



QC ClaimData.txt

ASOP 23 questions:

- How is each data element defined?
- Are there questionable data elements?
- What enhancements/adjustments needed?
- Is the data sufficient (i.e. number of potential predictor variables, number of observations)?
- Is it consistent with data used for prior analysis?

Calculate targets and predictors

- One record per ???
- Definition of target variable
- List and describe of predictor variables
- Handling of missing values, bad data values

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- One record per policy, per policy year
- Target = Ex-wind loss / Ex-wind earned premium
- Missing values – negative 1 for numeric, ~ for categorical

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	Field Names	Type	Description	Notes/Calculations
Required Talon Attributes	POLICYNO	Character	Talon Required Field - Unique policy identifier	Combination of polyclinumber and effectiveMonth and effectiveYear from the client file. Calculated from effective, expiration, cancellation, and evaluation dates and assumes that 12 months of coverage per policy is 1 exposure.
	TOTEXPO	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Exposure based on the Policy	
	PREMEA	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Premium and/or Loss associated with the Record.	Earned premium calculated from onlevel premium and exposure as of 11/30/2012
	GROUP_ID	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Year associated with the Record such as Policy Year.	Year of effective date
	SYS_EEA_PREMEA_Full	Numeric	Talon Required Field - PREMEA of record prior to earning to the data extraction date.	Written Premium provided on source file by policy.
	SYS_PolicyEffectiveDate	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Policy Effective Date	Policy Effective Date put into Talon's required format
	SYS_PolicyExpirationDate	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Policy Expiration Date	Policy Expiration Date put into Talon's required format
	EffectiveDate	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Record Effective Date	Policy Effective Date put into Talon's required format
	ExpirationDate	Numeric	Talon Required Field - Record Expiration Date	Policy Expiration Date put into Talon's required format
	SYS_AgencyNo	Character	Talon Required Field - Agency Number	Agent Number
	SYS_New_Business	Character	Talon Required Field - New Business Indicator.	Y if its effective year is the earliest for the policy; otherwise N
	SYS_Renewed	Character	Talon Required Field - Policy Renewed Indicator.	Y if the policy renewed, N if the policy cancelled, blank if policy in force at evaluation date 11/30/2012
	SYS_POLICYNO	Character	Talon Required Field - Denotes the Policy number associated with each policy regardless of term.	Policynumber from the source file. Policynumber is not term specific and is the same across multiple terms.
	Zipcode	Categorical		Used to link in census data into Talon.
Required LPS Attributes	SYSRANDNUM	Numeric	Talon Required Field - System generated random number. Unique with each POLICYNO. For customer created interim data, simply include this field as a placeholder.	Blank field used as a placeholder
	EEA_PolicyYear	Categorical	Talon Required Field - Year associated with the Record such as Policy Year.	Year of effective date
	AOPPREMIUM_ONLEVEL			
	ONLEVELPREMIUM			
	SINKHOLEPREMIUM_ONLEVEL			
	WINDPREMIUM_ONLEVEL			
	LPS_OutOfStateMail		Flag if mailing address outside of FL	If MailState \approx "FL" then LPS_OutOfStateMail = 'Y';
	LPS_OwnerOccupied		OwnerOccupied indicator	copy
	LPS_LandUse		LanduseDescription	Group into Residential vs non Residential
	LPS_PurchaseDt		LastArmsLength_RecordDate	copy, if missing set to min(Loan1_startdt, Loan2_startdt, Loan3_startdt, Loan4_startdt);
	LPS_PurchasePrice		LastArmsLength_Price	copy
	LPS_PctLandValue		Estimated proportion of value in Lane	LPS_PctLandValue = round(MarketValueLand / MarketValueTotal * 100, 1);
	LPS_YearBuilt		YearBuilt	copy
	LPS_LotSize		LotUnit, LotSize	Restart acres to square feet
	LPS_BuildingArea		BuildingArea	copy
	LPS_BuildingArealnd		BuildingArealnd	copy
	LPS_NoOfBuildings		NoOfBuildings	copy
	LPS_NoOfStories		NoOfStories	copy
	LPS_NoOfRooms		NoOfRooms	copy
	LPS_NoOfUnits		NoOfUnits	copy
	LPS_Bedrooms		Bedrooms	copy
	LPS_Baths		Baths	copy
	LPS_PartialBaths		PartialBaths	copy
	LPS_GarageType		GarageType	copy
	LPS_NoOfCars		NoOfCars	copy
	LPS_Pool		Pool	copy
	LPS_BuildingClass		BuildingClass	copy
	LPS_Style		Style	copy
	LPS_ConstructionType		ConstructionType	copy
	LPS_ExteriorWall		ExteriorWall	copy
	LPS_Foundation		Foundation	copy
	LPS_RoofCover		RoofCover	copy
	LPS_Heating		Heating	copy
	LPS_AirConditioning		AirConditioning	copy
	LPS_Elevator		Elevator	copy
	LPS_Fireplace		Fireplace	copy

Manual checks

- Select sample for checking – same policies from raw and prepped data
- Manually calculate target variables (e.g. earned exposures, earned premium, incurred losses, renewal) from raw data and compare to prepped
- Manually verify/calculate predictor variables from raw data

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- Checks for onlevel premium calculation
- Checks for exposure and loss fields
- Checks for predictor variable fields

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Raw.xlsx

Prepped.xlsx

FIPS	County	APN	STND4	STNDU	STNDU	STNDG	STND5	STND2	STND2	Proper	MailCa	MailAd	MailUn	MailUn	MailCaB	MailSle	MailZip	MailZip
12011	BROWAR	47-42-31-26-0080	4807 NW 72ND PL	COCONU	FL	33073	2746	Y	4807 NW 72ND PL	COCONU	FL	33073	2746					
12011	BROWAR	47-42-42-33-000080	327 NW 41ST WAY	DEERIEFL		33442	8053	Y	327 NW 41ST WAY	DEERIEFL		33442	8053					
12011	BROWAR	47-41-05-00-000080	1681 NW 53RD LN	DEERIEFL		33442	4412	Y	1681 NW 53RD LN	DEERIEFL		33442	4412					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-05-00-000080	7506 NW 115TH TER	PARKLAN	FL	33076	4240	Y	7506 NW 115TH TER	PARKLAN	FL	33076	4240					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-07-01-0000	5538 NW 123RD WAY	CORAL SI	FL	33076	3424	Y	23815 ST# 302	MALIBU	CA	90285	4881					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-08-00-0000	4988 NW 110TH TER	CORAL SI	FL	33076	2719	Y	5349 GRANDE PALM CIR	DELRAY	FL	33484	1365					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-08-00-0000	1681 NW 110TH LN	CORAL SI	FL	33076	3404	Y	4644 NW 88TH LN	CORAL SI	FL	33067	3404					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-10-00-0000	5605 NW 117TH DR	CORAL SI	FL	33067	2018	Y	5950 NW 117TH DR	CORAL SI	FL	33067	2018					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-11-00-0000	4874 CHARDONNAY DR	CORAL SI	FL	33067	4120	Y	4874 CHARDONNAY DR	CORAL SI	FL	33067	4120					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-11-00-0000	1681 NW 35TH ST	CORAL SI	FL	33067	4375	Y	12006 W SAMPLE RD	CORAL SI	FL	33065	3167					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-24-00-0050	6275 NW 24TH CT	MARGAT	FL	33063	1742	Y	6275 NW 24TH CT	MARGAT	FL	33063	1742					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-24-00-0050	6242 NW 24TH CT	MARGAT	FL	33063	2025	Y	6112 NW 24TH CT	MARGAT	FL	33063	2025					
12011	BROWAR	48-41-24-00-0050	6242 NW 24TH ST	MARGAT	FL	33063	3425	Y	6884 NW 24TH ST	MARGAT	FL	33063	3425					
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12011	BROWAR	48-41-33-00-0000	5564 SHADOW WOOD LN	CORAL SI	FL	33071	6968	Y	12133 NW 51ST PL	CORAL SI	FL	33076	3508					
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12011	BROWAR	49-24-00-00-0070	11530 NW 32ND MNR	SUNRISE	FL	33323	1312	Y	11530 NW 32ND MNR	SUNRISE	FL	33323	1312					
12011	BROWAR	49-40-35-00-0080	1108 NW 130TH TER	SUNRISE	FL	33323	2931	Y	1 OAKWOOD STE # 250	HOLLYWOOD	FL	33020	1959					
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12011	BROWAR	49-41-06-00-0000	8405 NW 28TH PL	TAMARAC	FL	33322	1986	Y	4179 LANSING AVE	HOLLYWOOD	FL	33026	4935					
12011	BROWAR	49-41-07-00-0045	2441 NW 90TH LN	TAMARAC	FL	33319	5857	Y	10400 GOLDEN EAGLE CT	PLANTAT	FL	33322	2477					
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12011	BROWAR	50-42-11-00-0000	216 SE 16TH AVE	FORT LAFL	FL	33301	3914	Y	216 SE 16TH AVE	FORT LAFL	FL	33301	3914					
12011	BROWAR	50-42-15-00-0000	707 SW 19TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33315	2031	Y	3420 SW 27TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33312	4707					
12011	BROWAR	50-42-15-00-0000	3129 SW 19TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33304	2774	Y	3739 SW 19TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33307	3274					
12011	BROWAR	50-42-29-00-0000	3050 NW 47TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33312	5645	Y	3031 SW 19TH ST	FORT LAFL	FL	33312	5645					
12011	BROWAR	50-42-33-00-0000	294 NW 13TH CT	DANIA BE	FL	33004	2613	Y	294 NW 13TH CT	DANIA BE	FL	33004	2613					

policyno	ZIPCODE	TOTEXP	PCPREMEA	GROUP	SYSSRANCYS	EESASYS	POLISYS	Polic	EffectiveD	Expiration	SYS	NewSYS	RenSYS	OutofState	Mail	LPS_Own	LPS_Land
474231260080	33073	1	100	2013	-1	100	2013	1211	20141211	20131211	20141211	Y	474231260	2013	N	Y	Residenti
474233080070	33442	1	100	2013	-1	100	2013	1211	20141211	20131211	20141211	Y	474233080	2013	N	Y	Residenti
474235061050	33442	1	100	2013	-1	100	2013	1211	20141211	20131211	20141211	Y	474235061	2013	N	Y	Residenti
484106104080	33067	1	100	2013	-1	100	2013	1211	20141211	20131211	20141211	Y	484106104	2013	N	Y	Residenti
484110470400	33067	1															

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QCPreppedData.txt

Documentation

- Raw data report
- Data layout
- Manual checks
- Prepped data report
- Reconciliation report (from raw to prepped)
 - Compare summaries, record counts
 - Document data adjustments (onlevel, trend, capping, etc.)
 - Document exclusions/filters (e.g. noncat loss only)

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MEMO

TO: XXXXXXXXX
FROM: Peggy Brinkmann
RE: Black Knight Data Reconciliation

We have prepared this report to document the contents of the data files received from your client and the resulting analysis file that will be used for predictive modeling. Please review this with your clients to ensure that the data is correct before we begin the analyses.

DATA FROM CLIENT

Milliman received data from XXXXX for their Homeowners policies written from 2004 to November 30, 2012. The following data tables were transmitted to Milliman:

Table 1 – Record counts

File Name	Date Transmitted	Record Count
TargetVariableFile.txt	12/12/2012	1,355,137
PredictiveVariableFile.txt	12/12/2012	1,355,232
ClaimFile.txt	12/12/2012	2,255,417

Questions?

THANK YOU

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