

# Don't put all your AALs in One Basket

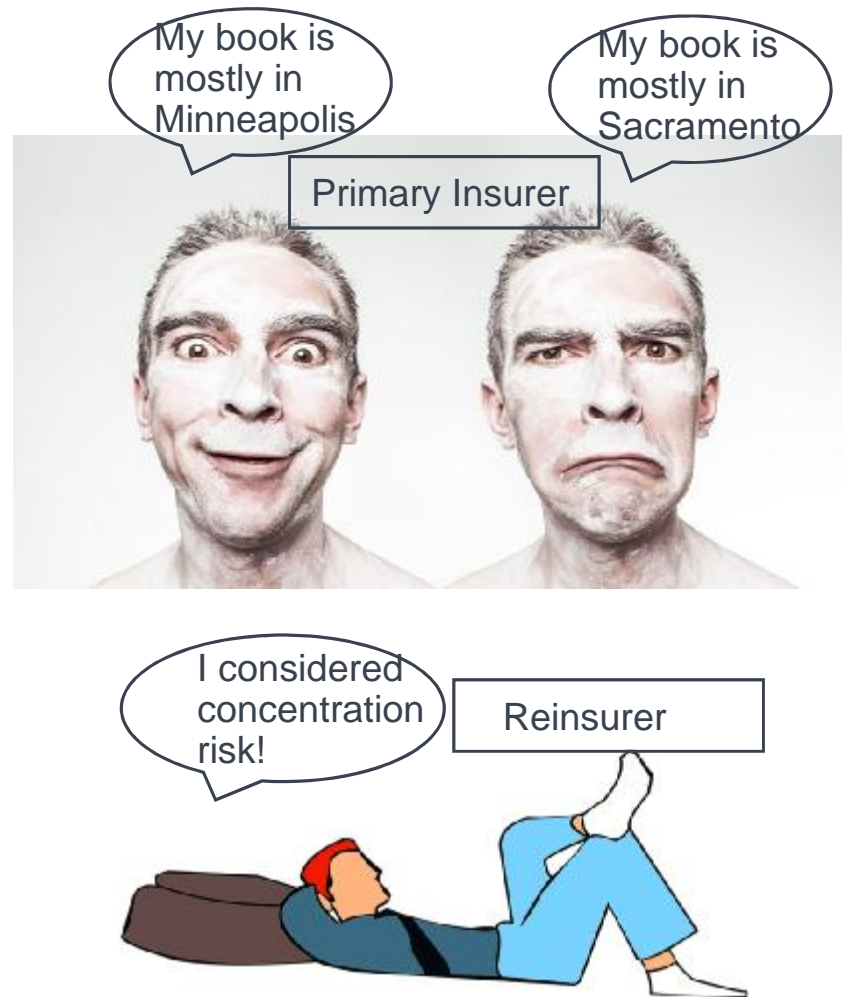
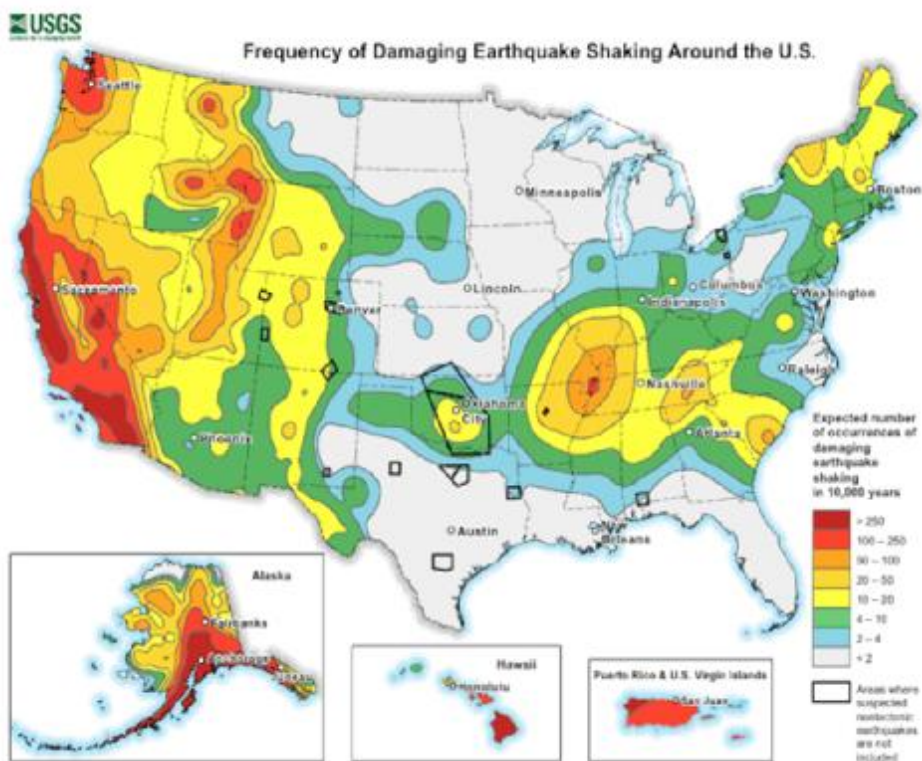
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## *Risk Concentration Pricing for Primary Insurers*

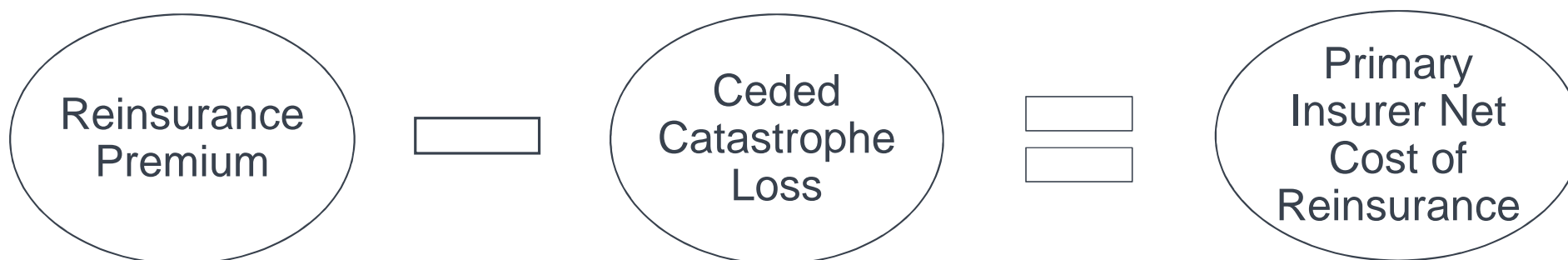
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# CATs are Dependent!



## Calculating Net Cost of Reinsurance



# Primary Insurers' Traditional Treatment of NCOR

Flat Load in Base Rate

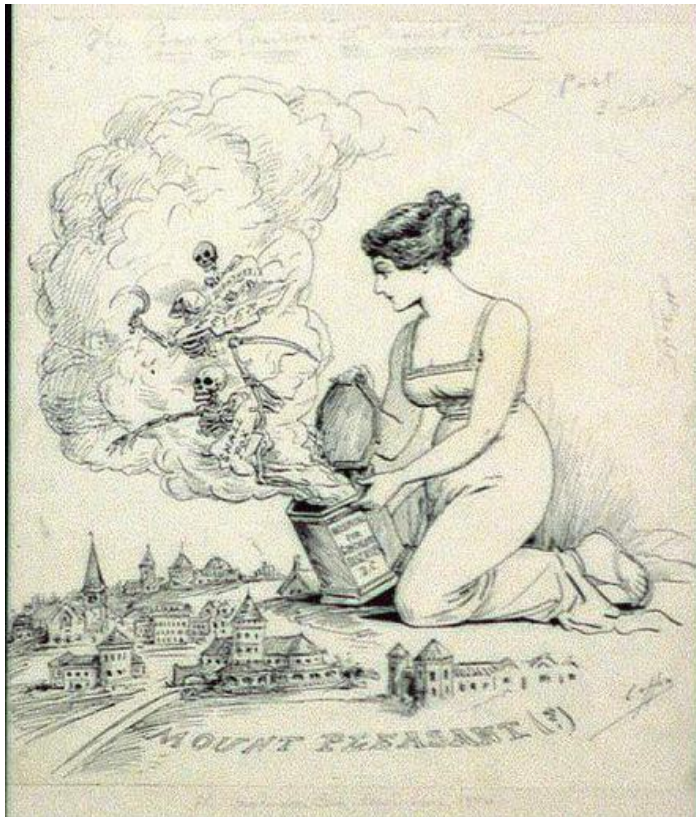


Allocated NCOR



Actual Cost of Risk Transfer

## Catastrophe Model Components – Stochastic Event Module



§ Includes a database of stochastic events

§ Defined by:

- q Strength
- q Location
- q Probability of occurrence



## Catastrophe Model Components – Hazard Module



§ Generates event information

§ Examples (for Hurricane):

q Central pressure

q Radius of maximum wind

q Translational speed

## Catastrophe Model Components – Vulnerability Module

§ Estimates relationship between event parameters and damage to property

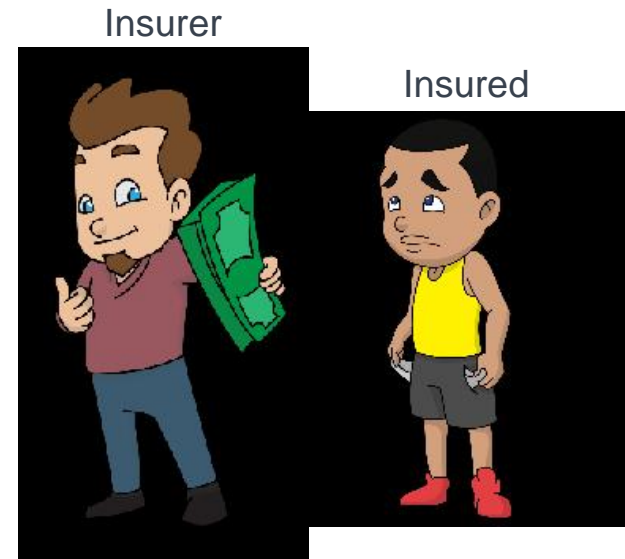
§ Calculates:

- q Mean damage
- q Uncertainty around the mean



## Catastrophe Model Components – Financial Module

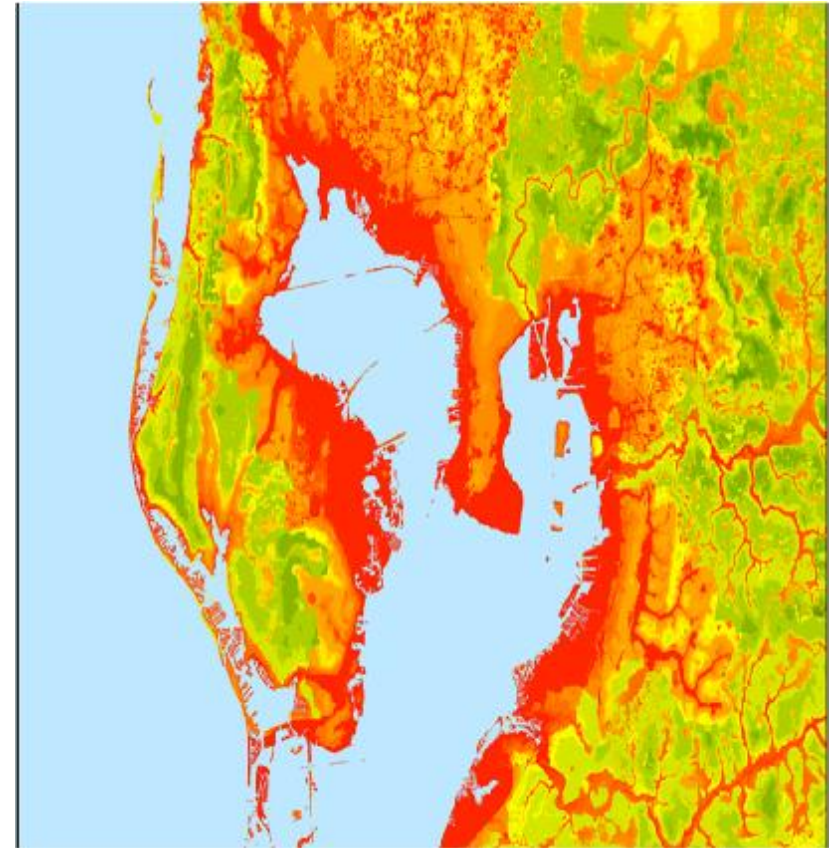
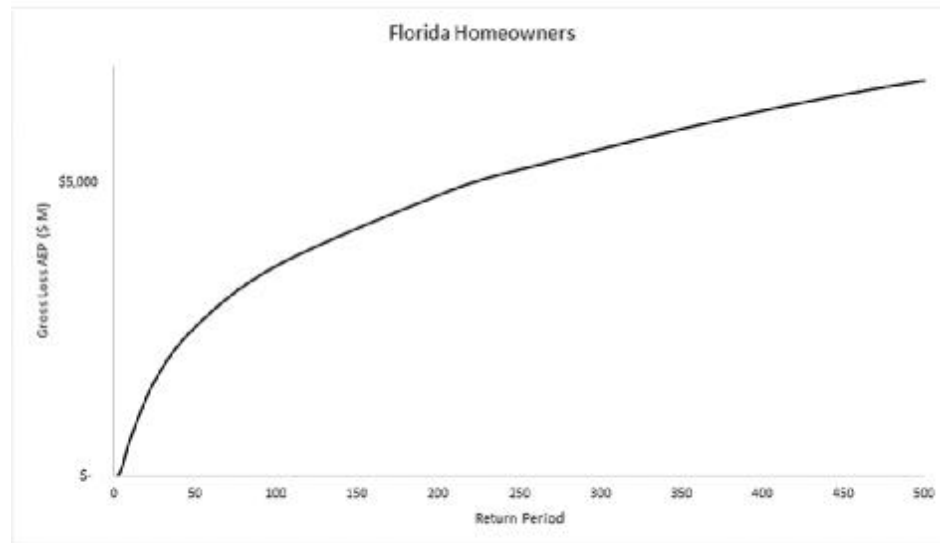
- § Applies insurance contract terms to the modeled damage
- § Translates the physical loss into a financial loss figure
- § Calculate losses incurred to insured, primary insurer, and reinsurer





# Catastrophe Model - Output

- § Event Level vs Region/Risk Level
- § By Reinsurance Treaty Layer
- § Probable Maximum Loss Curves



## Common Application in Pricing

- § Event-level AALs for projecting loss costs in rate filings
- § Portfolio risk/PML for negotiating reinsurance contracts
- § Inforce portfolio commonly used for the simulation runs
  - q Often assumes results are fully credible
  - q However, may be a weakness if the underlying portfolio is limited in size or has systematic biases
- § Model results typically treated as if they were at ultimate
  - q Development assumptions implicit in model validation procedures
  - q Some aspects of loss trends captured by changing exposure attributes

# Regulatory Concerns in Concentration Pricing

## § Model Versions and Specifications

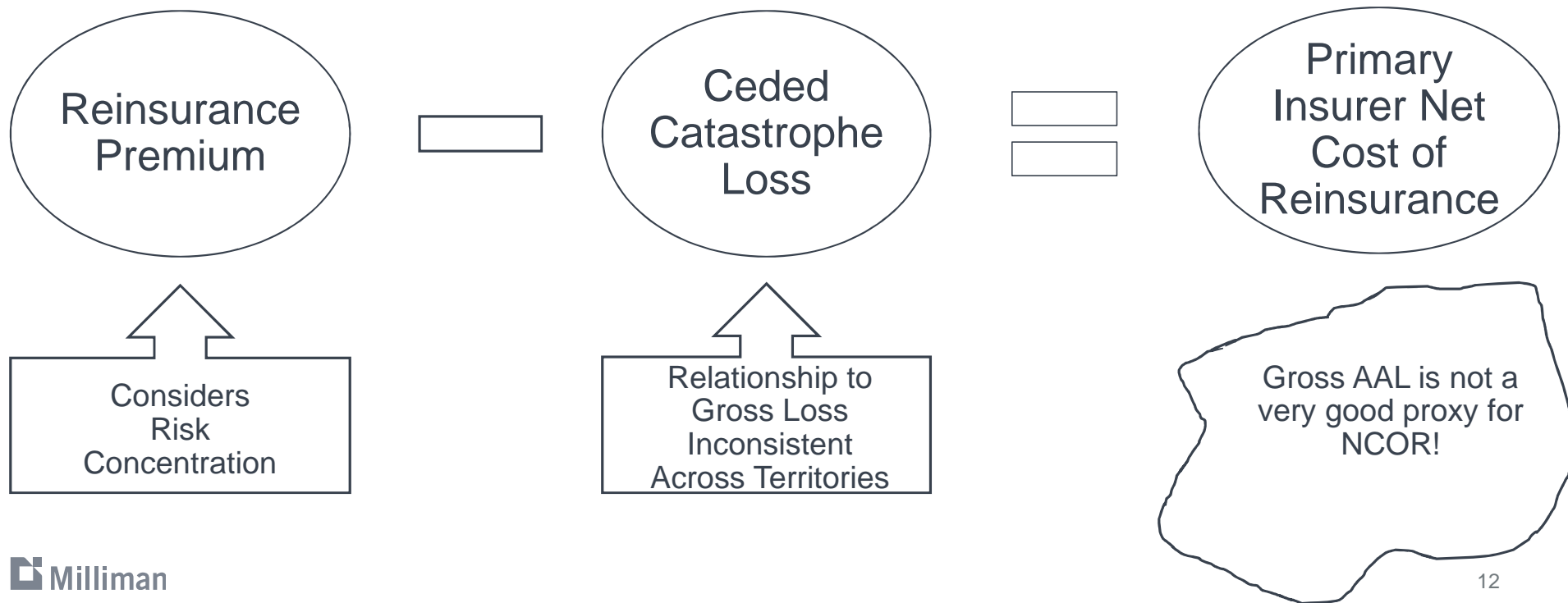
- q Primary insurers more regulated than reinsurers
- q Inconsistent versioning/specifications between contract and filing
- q Model reviews may be outside of regulators' area of expertise
- q Reinsurance program subject to change
- q Extreme discontinuities for proposed rates

## § Resulting rates not equitable from market's perspective

- q Cost of risk transfer depends on other risks in the insurer's portfolio
- q May be difficult for regulators to justify carriers charging different rates for the same risk

# Primary Insurers' Traditional Treatment of NCOR

Proportional to Gross AAL



## Alternative Options for NCOR Allocation

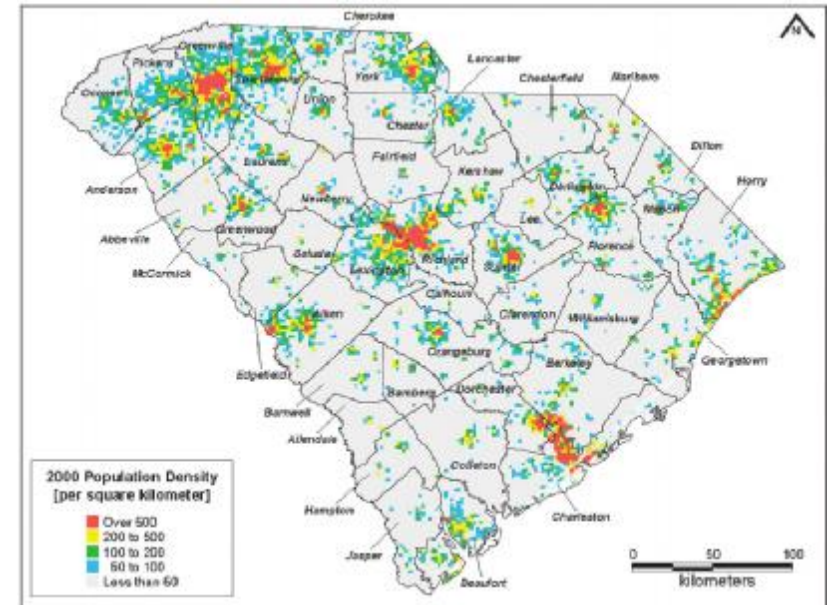
- Proportional Method Based on VaR/TVaR
- Incremental and Co-Measures Methods
- Shapley Value and Covariance Share Methods
- Event-Based Allocation by Reinsurance Layer Method





# Concentration Pricing: Actuarial Considerations

- **Cost of Risk Transfer<sup>1</sup>** – A rate provides for all costs associated with the transfer of risk.
- **Coherence<sup>2</sup>** – Desirable properties for allocation method to “make sense”.
  - *Positive Homogeneity* – “The risk of a multiple is equal to the multiple of a risk.” (applies to perfectly independent risks only)
  - *Subadditivity* – The risk of the sum of individual risks is less than or equal to the sum of the individual risks.
  - *Translation Invariance* – Adding a riskless constant to a risky position does not increase the risk of the position.
  - *Monotonicity* – Measures for less risky positions are smaller than for riskier positions.
- **Order Dependence / Renewal Additivity – Desirable?**
  - *Risk’s contribution to portfolio risk may vary based on order in which it was added to portfolio, or order in which it was analyzed.*
  - *“For a given portfolio of accounts, a risk load method is renewal additive if the sum of the renewal risk loads calculated for each account equals the risk load calculated when the entire portfolio is treated as a single account.”<sup>3</sup>*



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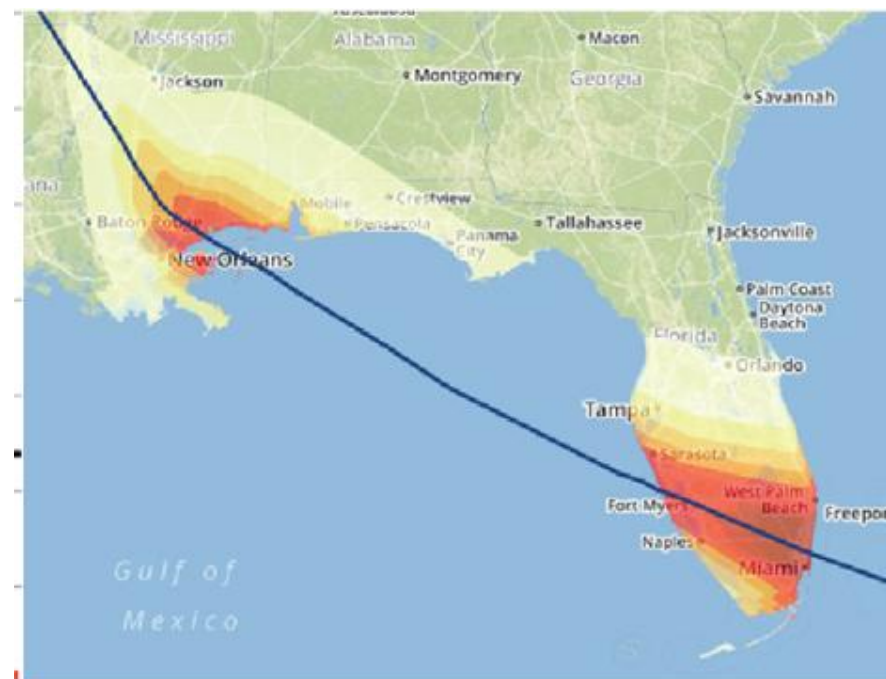
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## Concentration Pricing: Practical Considerations

- **Recognition of Extreme Scenarios** – Extreme scenarios can pose existential threats to insurers. Should risks implicated in these events pay more?
- **Correlations and Aggregate Measures** - Writing more risks independent of an insurer's existing portfolio could reduce the overall riskiness of the portfolio.
- **Analytical Practicality** – What are the costs and benefits associated with analysis and implementation?



- Hypothetical storm track from "<https://www.cnbc.com/2015/04/14/100-year-hurricane-could-cause-more-than-250b-losses-in-florida.html>"

# Methods Based on VaR/TVaR

- **Risk Measures**

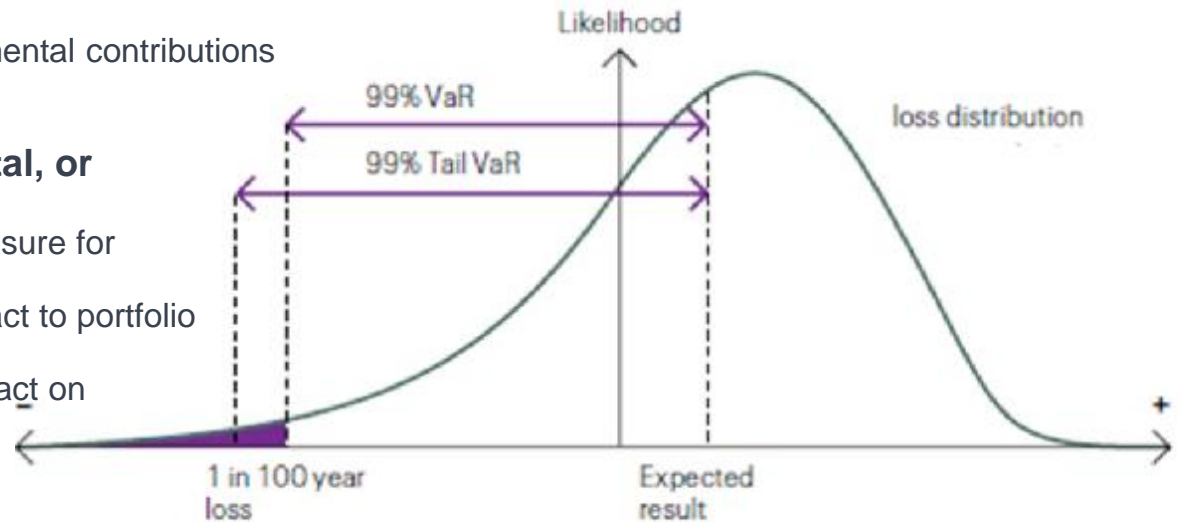
- Value at Risk (VaR) – Expected outcome given some arbitrary percentile.
- Tail Value at Risk (TVaR) – Average expected outcome above the arbitrary percentile.
- Can be calculated for individual policies, territories, portfolios
- Methods can be *proportional*, *incremental*, or *marginal*.

- **Example: Incremental Allocation Method based on Portfolio VaR/TVaR:**

- Calculate risk measure at portfolio level
- Remove one territory and calculate risk measure
- Difference is the incremental contribution for that territory
- Repeat for all territories
- Allocate NCOR proportionally to the incremental contributions

- **Methods can be proportional, incremental, or marginal.**

- Proportional – Allocate in proportion to measure for territory
- Incremental – Allocate in proportion to impact to portfolio of removing territory
- Marginal – Allocate in proportion to the impact on portfolio measure of next dollar or policy.



# Allocating Correlation: Shapley Value And Covariance Share

- **Shapley Value Method<sup>4</sup>:**
  - Calculate the variance within each territory
  - Calculate all covariances between pairs of territories
  - Calculate the variance at the portfolio level
  - For each territory, add its variance with any covariance that involves it
  - Divide by portfolio level variance
  - Allocate NCOR proportional to this ratio
- **Covariance Share Method<sup>4</sup>:**
  - Same first 3 steps as Shapley Value Method
  - Calculate AAL proportions for all pairs of territories
  - Allocate two times the covariances to each territory based on variance proportions
  - For each territory, add its variance with its allocated covariance share
  - Divide by portfolio level variance
  - Allocate NCOR proportional to this ratio

*L= Existing Account*

*N=New Account*

*Marginal Variance =  $Var(n)+2Cov(L,n)$*

*Shapley Value =  $Var(n)+Cov(L,n)$*

*Covariance Share -> Allocates the value  $Cov(L,n)$  in proportion to the variance of the individual territory or account*

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# Using Simulation: Co-Measures Method

## Co-Measures Methods<sup>5</sup>:

- Obtain portfolio level loss distribution via simulation
- Calculate contribution of territory or account within those simulations
- Advantages:
  - Allocated contributions add up to total contribution
  - Efficient – Only one simulation run necessary in contrast with incremental or marginal approaches which require many
- Disadvantages
  - May still rely on arbitrary threshold
  - Must have ability to run simulation

Sorted Scenario	Market	Reserves	Line A	Line B	Total
1	779,323	12,180,298	3,188,429	4,994,583	21,142,632
2	494,425	8,169,822	3,734,913	8,695,665	21,094,825
3	-3,407,081	13,140,377	7,607,985	788,471	18,129,751
4	-779,922	2,587,705	5,675,660	10,386,216	17,869,658
5	-1,311,004	-1,203,142	3,238,333	16,924,158	17,648,345
6	-1,392,828	5,488,457	6,646,703	6,799,820	17,542,152
7	-255,475	4,812,487	4,018,249	7,904,885	16,480,145
8	-10,210	6,710,721	2,273,968	7,472,474	16,446,953
9	-1,896,169	4,433,724	1,652,542	12,169,231	16,359,328
10	758,494	3,132,459	2,330,630	10,003,805	16,225,388
11	-1,291,494	8,133,807	5,475,393	3,899,206	16,216,912
12	1,523,399	8,164,027	1,320,562	4,996,263	16,004,250
13	-1,507,026	8,701,922	4,941,913	3,358,494	15,495,303
14	-418,192	-390,473	1,172,596	15,112,222	15,476,153
15	348,569	4,904,846	4,173,982	6,001,026	15,428,423
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490	-470,761	3,622,090	-148,615	4,519,262	7,521,976
491	-980,559	3,630,412	1,980,834	2,889,533	7,520,220
492	-2,921,510	2,906,628	-200,015	7,730,833	7,515,936
493	-1,179,044	3,552,559	2,343,631	2,794,807	7,511,953
494	-2,744,202	2,173,409	4,717,356	3,364,141	7,510,703
495	127,947	1,318,389	4,749,312	1,308,659	7,504,307
496	42,016	1,663,231	1,653,643	4,143,005	7,501,894
497	-1,062,298	2,170,695	6,366,285	27,183	7,501,865
498	-901,735	4,579,393	-124,816	3,947,145	7,499,986
499	-2,782,565	972,163	1,896,786	7,411,779	7,498,163
500	-2,959,845	6,146,281	863,894	3,441,193	7,491,523
Co-CTE	-908,399	3,715,533	2,279,319	4,549,138	9,635,591



## Event-Based Allocation by Reinsurance Layer Method

### Steps

- § Obtain event-account level AALs from cat model
- § Apply reinsurance treaties to get layer AALs
- § Use reinsurance premium multiples to allocate portfolio reinsurance premium to event-account level
- § Calculate NCOR at event-account level
- § Pick a geographical unit as basis (census block group, census tract, etc.)
- § Summarize total AAL and NCOR at the geographical unit level
- § Calculate geographical unit level cost ratio to Gross AAL
$$= 1 + \frac{NCOR}{Gross\ AAL}$$
- § Apply this multiple to AAL relativities

# Event-Based Allocation by Reinsurance Layer Method

## Data and Tool Requirements

### § Data Requirements:

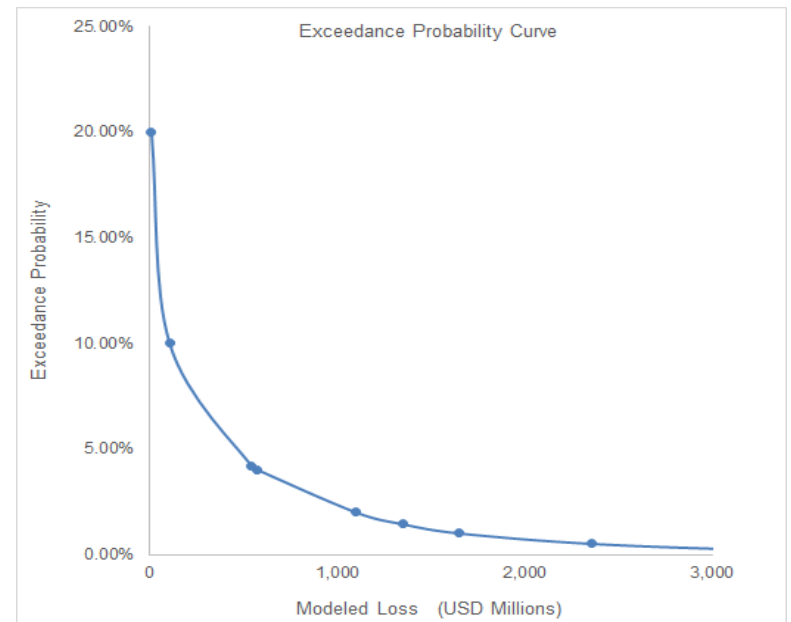
- q Risk characteristics required to run catastrophe simulation models
- q Reinsurance structure (limits, retention, premium)
- q Geographical information
- q Latitude and longitude
- q Census information
- q Catastrophe simulation model outputs for all sub-perils
- q Event level gross and ceded AALs by layer
- q Event-policy level gross AALs

### § Tool Requirements:

- q Catastrophe simulation models
- q Geographical clustering techniques (optional)

# Demonstration – South Carolina Hypothetical Insurer

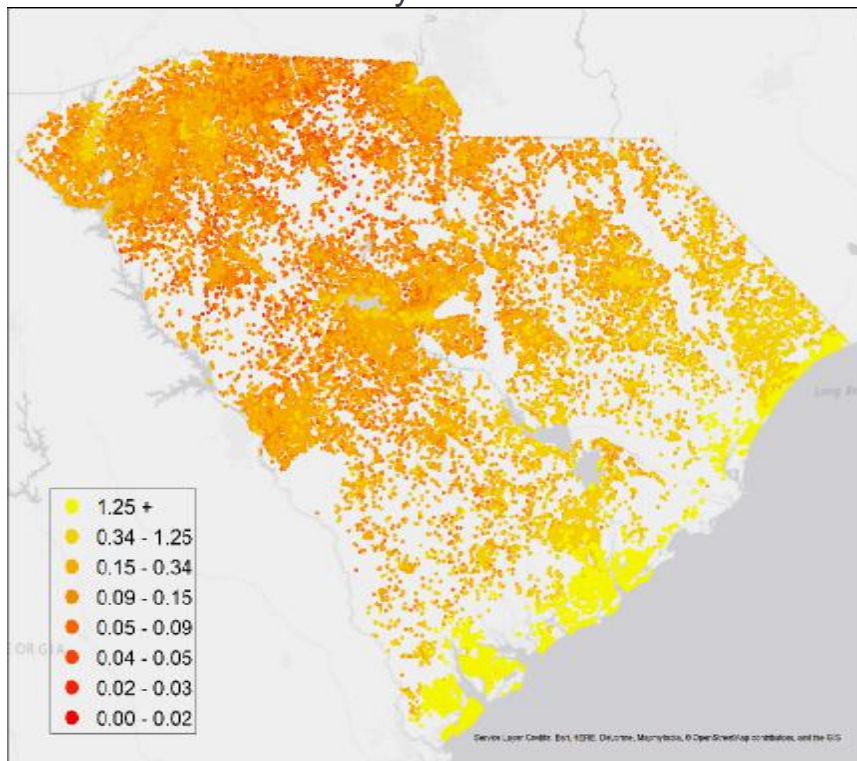
Return Period	Tower	Gross Amount
1-in-100 years	\$548.5m xs \$1.1mb	\$1.6b
1-in-50 years	\$520.8m xs \$578.9m	\$1.1b
1-in-25 years	\$469.5m xs \$109.4m	\$578.9m
1-in-10 years	Retention	\$109.4m



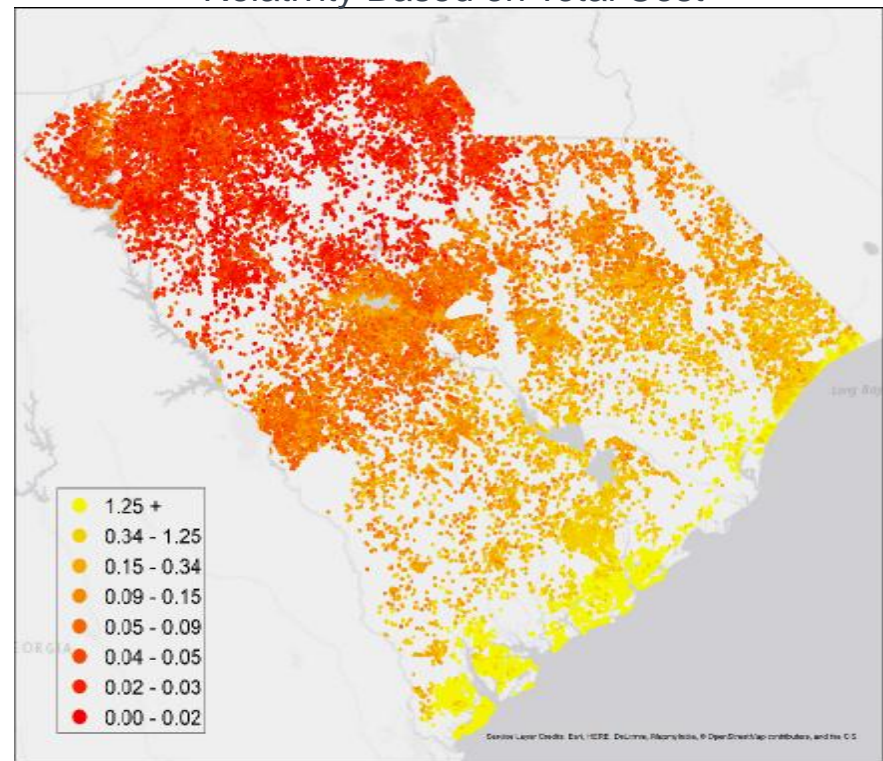
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Relativity Point Maps – AAL vs Reinsurance Adjusted

Relativity Based on AAL

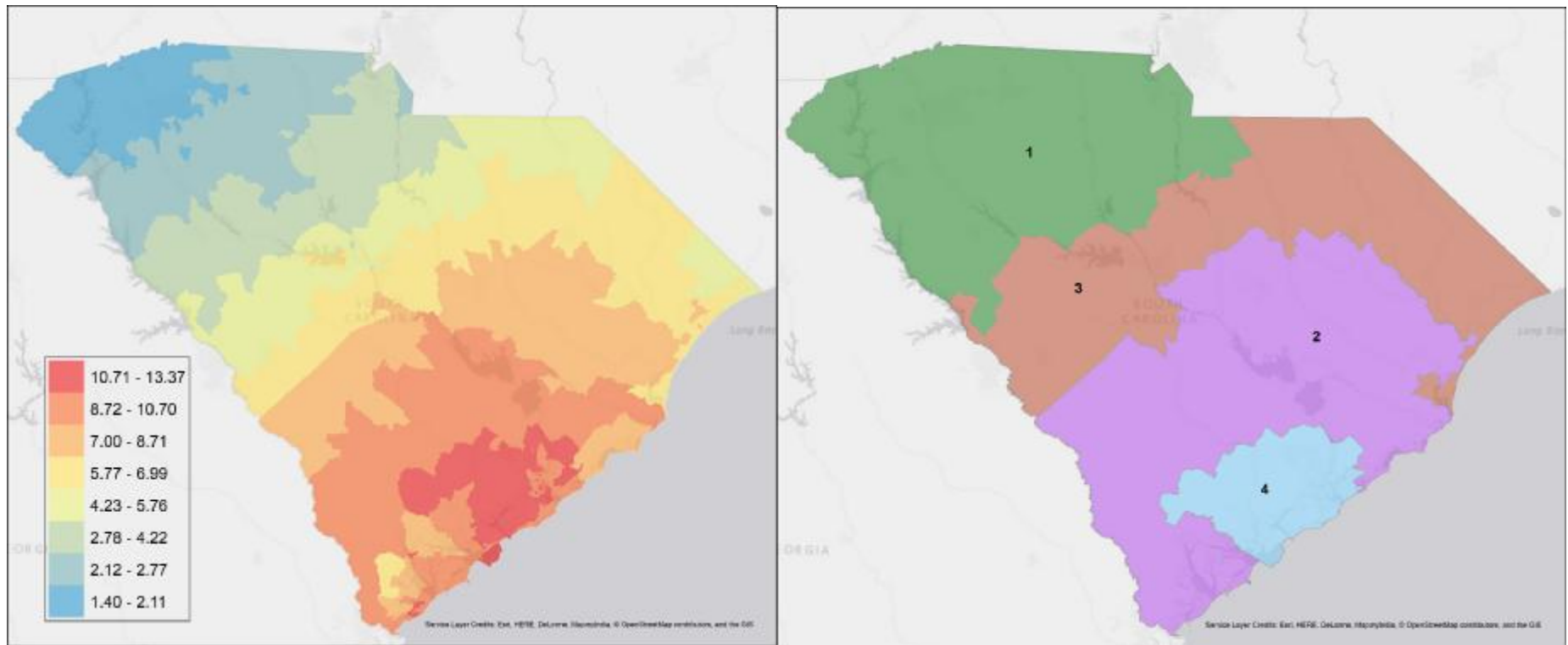


Relativity Based on Total Cost



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Clustering Based on NCOR Multiples – Market Basket Sample Data



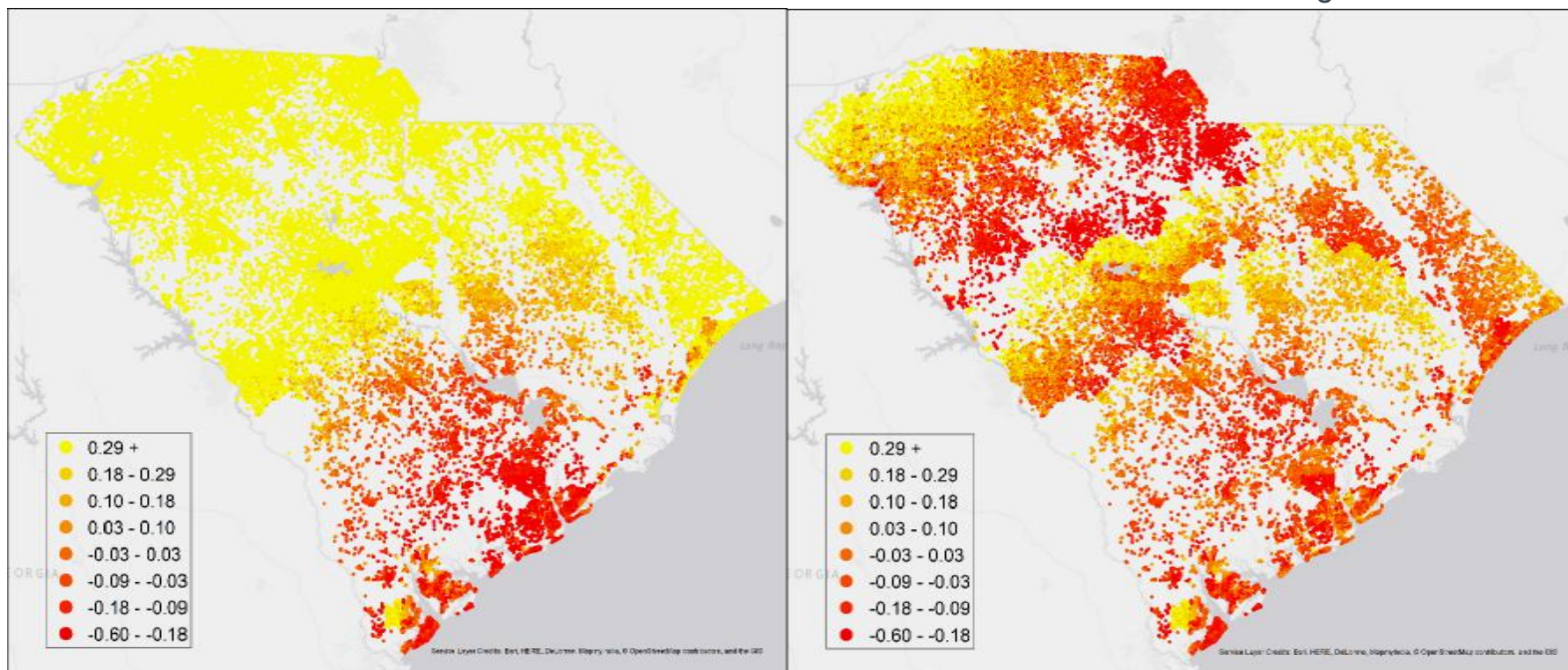


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Deviance Point Maps – AAL vs Reinsurance Adjusted

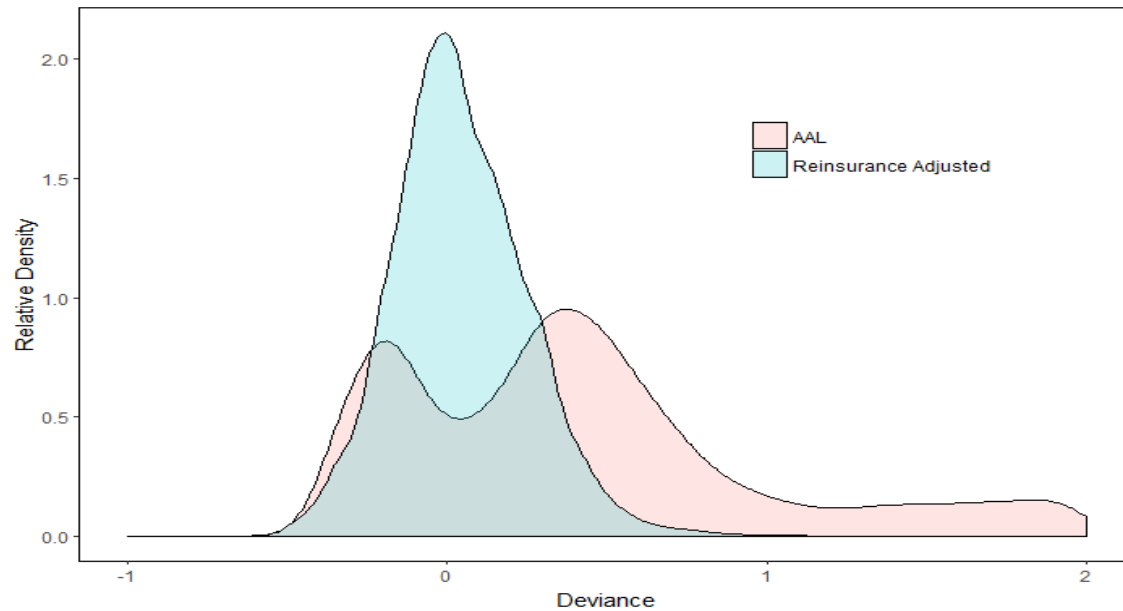
Cost Deviance Based AAL

Cost Deviance after Clustering Procedure



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Deviance Density Plot – AAL vs Reinsurance Adjusted



	Allocation Basis	
Statistic	AAL	Reinsurance Adjusted
Average	1.26	0.04
Standard Deviation	1.41	0.21

## Actuarial Allocation Technique Comparison Chart

	Concentration Risk	Extreme Scenario	Matching Rate/Cost	Order Dependence	Practicality
Proportional - AAL	û	û	û	û	ü
Proportional - VaR / TVaR	Ⓜ	Ⓜ	Ⓜ	û	ü
Incremental/Marginal	Ⓜ	Ⓜ	Ⓜ	û	û
Co-Measures	ü	Ⓜ	ü	Ⓜ	ü
Shapley Value	ü	Ⓜ	ü	ü	û
Covariance Share	ü	ü	ü	ü	û
Event-Based by Reins. Layer	ü	ü	ü	Ⓜ	Ⓜ

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