Calling all risk actuaries:

Become a data detective to empower your CRO

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1. Introduction

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1. Introduction Data intelligence



1. Introduction Spectrum of understanding



Practitioners

Management

- Too much breadth
- Insufficient depth





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Useful tools:

- Real-time exposure
 analysis
- Risk horizon scanner
- Info to support strategy



3. Risk Identification Framework

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A VISUALISATION IS WORTH A BILLION DATA POINTS



Visualisation focuses on presenting data in the most meaningful way, for quick delivery of insight to support decision making.



It involves **making best use** of graphical means to reinforce human cognition and facilitate understanding of insight.



With technological advances that make it easier to routinely collect enormous amounts of data, there is an **ever increasing need to understand large volumes of information at once**.



3. Risk Identification Framework A common language and platform



3. Risk Identification Framework Criteria around a Risk Identification Framework



Risk Metrics

- Solvency position
- Liquidity position
- Statutory profits
- Embedded Value
- Economic Capital

Level of Confidence

- 90th percentile (1 in 10)
- 95th percentile (1 in 20)
- 99th percentile (1 in 100)
- 99.5th percentile (1 in 200)

Time Horizon

- 1 week
- 1 year
- Lifetime

Materiality

 Immaterial – threshold of X million VaR, leave unmodelled

3. Risk Identification Framework Business information

Business environment information enables an assessment of the volatility of the underlying uncertainties.

Economy	 Market, Command or mixed, with varying degree of involvement from the government 			
Investment markets	 Restrictions in types of investments affects diversification 			
Demographics	 Degree of exposure to mortality/morbidity/longevity risk factors 			
Competitors	 Level of competitiveness affects uncertainty in lapse experience as well as new business sales and mix 			
Alternative to insurance products	 The extent of availability affects sensitivity of lapses to perceived attractiveness of insurance products 			

3. Risk Identification Framework Business information

The level of information gathered needs to be sufficiently granular so that exposure to specific risks can be determined.



3. Risk Identification Framework Uncertainty assessment

Uncertainty	Variability * (1-in-200 yr shock)	Reliability of assessment		Est. VAR (\$m)	1. Quantitative assessment	2. Qualitative override	Dimensions of Uncertainty: not Closely Correlated		
MARKET UNCERTAINTIES									
ASSETS									
Risk-free Interest Rate Level	High	Medium		1,471	High		Term structures, Geography, Currency, Go [,] papers / Swaps		
Equity Dividend Yield	Medium	Good		76	High		Currency		
Equity Price	High	Medium		4,570	High		Sectors / Industries, Geography, Currency		
Corporate Bond Spread	High	Bad		1,895	High		Credit rating, Term to maturity		
Corporate Bond Default Rate	Medium	Medium		17	Medium		Credit rating, Term to maturity		
Property Rental Yield	Medium	Good]	1	Immaterial		Currency		
Property Price	Medium	Medium		29	Medium		Land vs bricks & mortar, Commercial vs residential, Direct vs property fund, Locatio Currency		
Currency Exchange Rate	High	Medium		4,454	High	Medium	Currency		
Government Bond Spread	High			67	High				
LIABILITIES									
Risk-free Interest Rate Level	High	Medium		3,110	High		Term structures, Geography, Currency, Go [,] papers / Swaps		
Risk-free Interest Rate Volatility	High	Bad		0	Immaterial		Term structures, Geography, Currency		
Equity Dividend Yield	Medium	Good]	80	High		Currency		
Equity Price	High	Medium		4,452	High		Sectors / Industries, Geography, Currency		
Equity Price Volatility	High	Medium		0	Immaterial		Sectors / Industries, Geography, Currency		
Corporate Bond Spread	High	Bad		638	High		Credit rating, Term to maturity		
Corporate Bond Default Rate	Medium	Medium		5	Low		Credit rating, Term to maturity		
Property Price Volatility	Medium	Medium		0	Immaterial		Rental yield, Location, Direct / Property Fun		

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Scenario:

The Chinese insurance market is stressed from the credit crisis and poor economic performance that several smaller insurers are at the brink of becoming insolvent. In light of this, the Chinese government decides to intervene. The government changes the regulation so that foreign investors are allowed to hold more than 50% of local insurance company, subject to approval from CIRC.

The CEO is considering purchasing the remaining shares of its Chinese business unit. Based on the risk profile of China, do you think there is evidence to support this decision?

4. Data Business Intelligence Power of an interactive risk analysis tool



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4. Data Business Intelligence Power of real-time information

Risk Free Interest Rate VAR Estimate = (Absolute BEL * risk free rate * Outstanding average duration) * Shock

