

One-year reserve and premium risk

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One-year risk: background and motivation

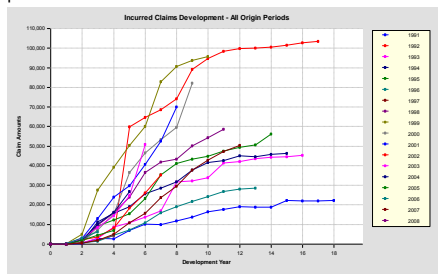
Solvency II (SCR) requirement¹:

„The Solvency Capital Requirement corresponds to the economic capital a (re)insurance undertaking needs to hold in order to limit the probability of ruin to 0.5%, i.e. ruin would occur once every 200 years. The Solvency Capital requirement is calculated using Value-at-Risk techniques, either in accordance with the standard formula, or using an internal Model: all potential losses, including adverse revaluation of assets and liabilities, **over the next 12 months** are to be assessed. The Solvency Capital Requirement reflects the true risk profile of the undertaking, taking account of all quantifiable risks, as well as the net impact of risk mitigation techniques.“

¹ Recast directive

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Example:



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Example:

Estimated Ultimate

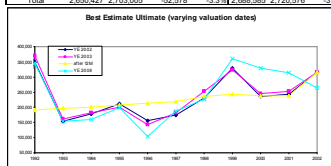
- After 12 months

- Year-end 2002

- Year-end 2003

- Year-end 2008

Accident Year	Best Estimate Ultimate					
	YE 2002	YE 2003	Run-off	%	After 12M	YE 2008
1991	71,030	67,777	3,254	30.0%	185,645	74,090
1992	349,909	370,747	-21,238	-51.9%	192,272	349,905
1993	154,768	161,905	-7,139	-14.8%	197,282	153,784
1994	178,707	182,512	-3,805	-6.3%	201,467	159,472
1995	211,048	201,503	9,543	11.7%	208,338	198,027
1996	155,411	143,798	11,613	11.1%	213,013	103,488
1997	174,712	182,865	-8,154	-8.5%	219,242	188,686
1998	230,502	252,429	-21,926	-14.1%	235,960	227,525
1999	328,658	323,397	5,161	2.5%	243,541	361,736
2000	237,030	243,776	-6,746	-4.1%	238,060	323,285
2001	243,785	253,824	-10,039	-4.3%	238,397	313,993
2002	315,369	318,472	-3,102	-0.3%	315,369	263,586
2003	2,559,427	2,703,025	-143,598	-3.3%	2,688,685	2,720,570
Totals						



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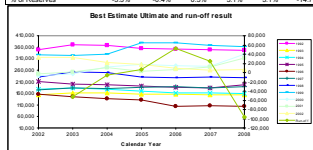
Example:

Best estimated ultimate

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Run-off result 2002-2008

Accident Year	Best Estimate Ultimate							
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
1991	71,030	67,777	68,041	77,269	75,246	74,257	74,090	
1992	349,909	370,747	367,780	354,661	362,241	349,220	346,925	
1993	154,768	161,905	160,949	157,581	157,078	154,268	153,784	
1994	178,707	182,512	177,033	168,661	161,504	161,163	159,472	
1995	211,048	201,503	196,920	191,798	186,161	183,484	188,027	
1996	155,411	143,798	135,672	130,931	124,929	122,774	103,488	
1997	174,712	182,865	179,854	186,405	188,749	183,309	188,686	
1998	230,502	252,429	248,179	230,719	229,230	229,419	227,525	
1999	328,658	323,397	330,114	378,779	380,980	369,161	361,736	
2000	237,030	243,776	274,839	298,500	281,121	278,536	323,285	
2001	243,785	253,824	273,180	284,551	284,196	275,328	313,993	
2002	315,369	318,472	294,927	285,811	267,072	265,604	263,586	
Reserves	1,927,119	1,438,805	1,254,852	1,031,526	813,000	653,964	559,227	
Run-off		-62,578	-6,097	6,538	53,085	24,958	-96,055	
% of Reserves		-3.3%	-0.4%	0.5%	5.1%	3.1%	-14.7%	



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Analytical methods: an additive model

Notation:

- i accident year (AY)
- k development year (DY)
- n year of final settlement
- $C_{i,k}$ cumulative claims amount of AY i and DY k ($C_{i,0}=0$)
- $S_{i,k}$ incremental claims of AY i after DY k ($S_{i,k} = C_{i,k} - C_{i,k-1}$)
- v_i volume of accident year i (e.g. risk premium)
- $R_i = C_{i,n} - C_{i,n+1-i} = S_{i,n+2-i} + \dots + S_{i,n}$ outstanding claims of accident year i
- $Z_t = S_{1,t} + \dots + S_{t,n+1-t}$ total paid claims in calendar year t

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Incremental Loss Ratio Method (ILR):

Model assumptions:

- (ILR1) All S_{ik} , $1 \leq i, k \leq n$, are independent
- (ILR2) $E(S_{ik}) = v_i m_k \Leftrightarrow E(S_{ik}/v_i) = m_k$ (independence of a/y i)
- (ILR3) $Var(S_{ik}) = v_i s_k^2 \Leftrightarrow Var(S_{ik}/v_i) = s_k^2$

Estimation: $\hat{m}_k = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n+1-k} S_{ik}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n+1-k} v_i} = S_{n+2-k} / v_{n-k}$

$$\hat{s}_k^2 = \frac{1}{n-k} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1-k} v_i \left(\frac{S_{ik}}{v_i} - \hat{m}_k \right)^2, k < n, \quad \hat{s}_n^2 = \min \{ \hat{s}_k^2 \mid 1 \leq k < n \}$$

Prediction: $\hat{S}_k = v_i \hat{m}_k, \quad \hat{R}_i = \hat{S}_{i,n+2-i} + \dots + \hat{S}_n = v_i (\hat{m}_{n+2-i} + \dots + \hat{m}_n)$

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Properties:

- The reserve estimate is unbiased

$$E(\hat{R}_i) = \sum_{k=n+2-i}^n E(\hat{S}_k) = \sum_{k=n+2-i}^n v_i E(\hat{m}_k) = \sum_{k=n+2-i}^n v_i m_k = \sum_{k=n+2-i}^n E(S_{ik}) = E(R_i)$$
- $\hat{m}_1, \dots, \hat{m}_n$ are independent with $Var(\hat{m}_k) = \frac{s_k^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n+1-k} v_i}$
- $\hat{m}_n, \hat{m}_{n-1}, \hat{s}_n^2, \hat{s}_{n-1}^2, \hat{s}_{n-2}^2$ rely on very few data
- Method is robust against $S_{n,l} = C_{n,l} = 0$
(as opposed to Chain Ladder)

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Example:

Triangle of incremental claims $x_{i,t}$

Year	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	R
1	185,102	25	1,012	8,132	5,305	13,724	9,886	1,137	9,216	5,365	6,837	4,116	4,223	0
2	182,303	120	1,364	4,294	7,321	174,511	15,074	12,247	17,238	47,564	17,387	10,821	4,444	4,444
3	187,233	207	2,308	4,454	18,514	6,688	9,028	10,028	46,483	1,400	5,353	12,383	12,383	12,383
4	201,577	48	2,284	32,743	13,851	10,484	20,428	9,388	9,894	19,250	19,250	23,867	23,867	23,867
5	208,448	80	2,195	28,871	9,313	10,243	24,483	37,688	18,316	18,316	18,316	44,271	44,271	44,271
6	213,044	136	1,807	2,898	9,038	8,623	11,388	18,055	18,055	18,055	18,055	66,427	66,427	66,427
7	219,254	180	1,235	4,755	9,705	18,051	18,051	18,051	18,051	18,051	18,051	83,763	83,763	83,763
8	236,083	82	3,054	27,545	19,279	25,164	25,164	25,164	25,164	25,164	25,164	107,877	107,877	107,877
9	242,877	755	14,872	71,200	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	163,313	163,313	163,313
10	237,884	362	5,883	18,432	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	162,842	162,842	162,842
11	238,133	490	8,804	18,432	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	36,987	162,842	162,842	162,842
12	315,427	190												251,527

$$\hat{m}_{10} = \frac{8,637 + 17,397 + 5,393}{185,762 + 192,303 + 197,230} = 0.055, \quad \hat{S}_{1,10} = v_1 \cdot \hat{m}_1 = 201,577 \cdot 0.055 = 11,011$$

$$Var(\hat{S}_{1,10}) = Var(v_1 \cdot \hat{m}_{10}) = v_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^{10} v_i = 10,621,733$$

$$\hat{R}_1 = \hat{S}_{1,10} + \hat{S}_{1,11} + \hat{S}_{1,12} = v_1 (\hat{m}_{10} + \hat{m}_{11} + \hat{m}_{12}) = 201,577 \cdot (0.055 + 0.040 + 0.023) = 23,667$$

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Analytical methods: an additive model

Change in Reserves (I)

At the end of CY n the total reserve estimate is

$$\hat{R}^{(n)} = \sum_{i=2}^n v_i (\hat{m}_{n+2-i}^{(n)} + \hat{m}_{n+3-i}^{(n)} + \dots + \hat{m}_n^{(n)}) \text{ with } \hat{m}_k^{(n)} =: S_{<k,k} / v_{<k}$$

In CY n+1 we have (without new business) payments

$$Z_{n+1} = S_{2,n} + S_{3,n-1} + \dots + S_{n,2} \text{ and an updated reserves estimate of}$$

$$\hat{R}^{(n+1)} = \sum_{i=3}^n v_i (\hat{m}_{n+3-i}^{(n+1)} + \dots + \hat{m}_n^{(n+1)}) \text{ with } \hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} = S_{\leq k,k} / v_{\leq k}$$

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Change in Reserves (II)

The total change in reserves Δ_{n+1} in calendar year n+1 is

$$\Delta_{n+1} = Z_{n+1} + \hat{R}^{(n+1)} - \hat{R}^{(n)} \\ = \sum_{i=2}^n \left(S_{i,n+2-i} - v_i \hat{m}_{n+2-i}^{(n)} + \sum_{k=n+3-i}^n v_i (\hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)}) \right)$$

$$\text{Using } \hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} = \frac{v_{n+2-k}}{v_{\leq k}} \left(\frac{S_{n+2-k,k}}{v_{n+2-k}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) \quad (*)$$

and inverting the sums this leads to

$$\Delta_{n+1} = \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{v_{n+2-k}}{v_{\leq k}} v_k \left(\frac{S_{n+2-k,k}}{v_{n+2-k}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) \text{ with } v_k = v_1 + \dots + v_n$$

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Side calculation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta_{n+1} &= Z_{n+1} + \hat{R}^{(n+1)} - \hat{R}^{(n)} \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n \left(S_{i,n+2-i} - v_i \hat{m}_{n+2-i}^{(n)} + \sum_{k=n+3-i}^n v_k (\hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)}) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n \left(S_{i,n+2-i} - v_i \hat{m}_{n+2-i}^{(n)} \right) + \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{k=n+3-i}^n v_k (\hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)}) \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n \left(S_{n+2-i,k} - v_{n+2-i} \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) + \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{k=n+3-i}^n v_k (\hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)}) \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n v_{n+2-i} \left(\frac{S_{n+2-i,k}}{v_{n+2-i}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) + \sum_{i=2}^n v_{i,k} (\hat{m}_k^{(n+1)} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)}) \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n v_{n+2-i} \left(\frac{S_{n+2-i,k}}{v_{n+2-i}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) \left(1 + \frac{v_{i,k}}{v_{n+2-i}} \right) \text{ cp. (*)} \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n v_{n+2-i} \left(\frac{S_{n+2-i,k}}{v_{n+2-i}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) \frac{v_{i,k}}{v_{i,k}} \text{ with } v_{i,k} = v_i + \dots + v_n
 \end{aligned}$$

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The reserve risk

So the total volatility of the change in reserves is

$$\begin{aligned}
 Var(\Delta_{n+1}) &= Var \left(\sum_{i=2}^n \frac{v_{n+2-i} v_{i,k}}{v_{i,k}} \left(\frac{S_{n+2-i,k}}{v_{n+2-i}} - \hat{m}_k^{(n)} \right) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i=2}^n \left(\frac{v_{n+2-i} v_{i,k}}{v_{i,k}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{s_k^2}{v_{n+2-i}^2} + \frac{s_k^2}{v_{i,k}^2} \right) = \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{v_{i,k}^2}{v_{i,k}^2 v_{n+2-i}^2} s_k^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Estimated by inserting s_k^2

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Conclusion

- (1) Because of $v_i > v_{i,k}$ we have $Var(\Delta_{n+1}) > Var(Z_{n+1})$
e.g. CY volatility is bigger than volatility in 1-year cashflow only
- (2) With new business (inclusion of premium risk), the summation starts at
 $k = 1, v_{i,k} = v_i + \dots + v_{n+1}$
- (3) Chain Ladder is more difficult due to the missing independence between the increments

$$s_k^2$$

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Analytical methods: Merz, Wüthrich

Chain-Ladder Model (CL):

- Merz and Wüthrich¹ developed formulae for the (conditional) mean squared prediction error of the total one year run-off result (CDR($l+1$)):
- For a single accident year i :

$$mse_{CDR(i+1)|D}(0) = \left(C_{i,j}^I \right)^2 \left[\frac{\hat{\sigma}_{i,j}^2 / (f_{i,j}^I)^2}{C_{i,j-I}^I} + \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{i,j-I}^2 / (f_{i,j-I}^I)^2}{S_{i,j-I}^I} + \sum_{j=I+1}^{I+1} \frac{C_{i,j-I}^I}{S_{i,j-I+1}^I} \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{i,j-I}^2 / (f_{i,j-I}^I)^2}{S_{i,j-I}^I} \right]$$

- Total of all accident years:

$$mse_{\sum_{i=0}^I CDR(i+1)|D}(0) = mse_{CDR(i+1)|D}(0) + 2 \sum_{i=0}^I C_{i,j}^I C_{i,j-I}^I \left[\frac{\hat{\sigma}_{i,j}^2 / (f_{i,j}^I)^2}{S_{i,j-I}^I} + \sum_{j=I+1}^{I+1} \frac{C_{i,j-I}^I}{S_{i,j-I+1}^I} \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{i,j-I}^2 / (f_{i,j-I}^I)^2}{S_{i,j-I}^I} \right]$$

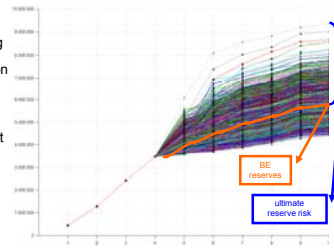
¹ e.g. Merz, Wüthrich (2008). Modelling the Claims Development Results for Solvency Purposes. ASTIN 2008

Modelling of the one-year risk in simulation models

Simulation model (reserve risk) – 1st step:

The best estimate loss reserves $R_{BE(t=0)}$ at time $t=0$ are estimated based on a loss reserving algorithm A.

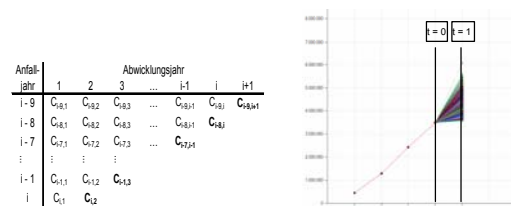
- Algorithm A is also underlying the simulation model that we use to simulate the distribution of possible outcomes of the outstanding claims $R_{t=0}$.
 $E(R_{t=0}) = R_{BE(t=0)}$
- So-called actuarial judgement cannot be reflected in algorithm A.



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Simulation model (reserve risk) – 2nd step:

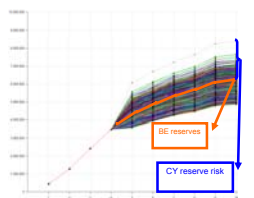
- Next we look at the simulated results of the first year, conditional on the observations at time $t=0$.
- If $C_{i,j}$ are the claims in accident year i at development j , the second step means that we simulate the new diagonal of our claims development triangle.



Modelling of the one-year risk in simulation models

Simulation model (reserve risk) – 3rd step:

- The last step is to calculate the best-estimate claims reserves $R_{BE(t+1)}$ for every simulation from step 2 based on the same algorithm A from step 1. We call this step "re-reserving".
- Algorithm A could be a generalised Chain-Ladder Method or a Bornhuetter-Ferguson Method.
- $R_{BE(t+1)}$ is a random variable and describes the distribution of outstanding claims at time $t+1$.
- $R_{BE(t+1)} - (R_{BE(t)} + Z_{t+1})$ describes the one year run-off result or the one year reserve risk, with Z_{t+1} being the claim payments in calendar year $t+1$.



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Modelling of the one-year risk in simulation models

Simulation model (premium risk):

1st step:

- We simulate the distribution of the best estimate ultimate based on an "ultimate" premium risk model.
- Attritional claims, large claims and natural catastrophe claims are modelled separately based on frequency / severity models.

2nd step:

- The proportion of claims that are paid or reported in the first year, $C_{i+1,1}$, can be simulated using a Beta distribution.

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Modelling of the one-year risk in simulation models

Simulation model (premium risk):

3rd step:

In the last step we use the same claims reserving algorithm A from the reserve risk model to estimate the best-estimate claim reserves $R_{BE(t+1)}$ at time $t+1$ for every simulation from step 2.

Accident Year	Development Year					
	1	2	3	...	i-1	i
i-9	$C_{i-9,1}$	$C_{i-9,2}$	$C_{i-9,3}$	...	$C_{i-9,i-1}$	$C_{i-9,i}$
i-8	$C_{i-8,1}$	$C_{i-8,2}$	$C_{i-8,3}$...	$C_{i-8,i-1}$	$C_{i-8,i}$
i-7	$C_{i-7,1}$	$C_{i-7,2}$	$C_{i-7,3}$...	$C_{i-7,i-1}$	$C_{i-7,i}$
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
i-1	$C_{i-1,1}$	$C_{i-1,2}$	$C_{i-1,3}$...	$C_{i-1,i-1}$	$C_{i-1,i}$
i	$C_{i,1}$	$C_{i,2}$				
i+1	$C_{i+1,1}$					

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Comparison of analytical and simulation models

Analytical models:

- Models only give us first two moments, not a full distribution of possible outcomes;
- Calculations can be done in a spreadsheet, no simulation software needed;

Simulation models:

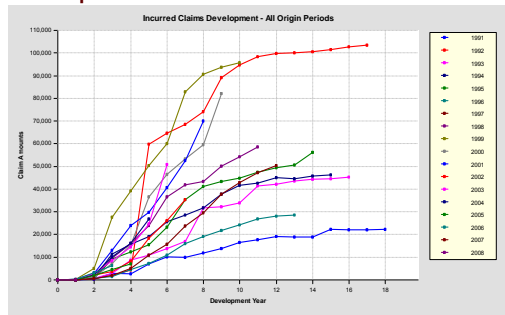
- The model provides the full distribution of possible outcomes, including the underlying stochastic cash-flows.
- The model can easily be generalised to use the Bornhuetter-Fergusons Method for re-reserving.
- Tailfactors can easily be taken into account by fitting a parametric curve to the development factors.
- The model can easily be generalised to also estimate the one-year premium risk in a consistent way.
- The communication of results can easily be supported graphically (Solvency II: „use test“ !)
- The validation of results might be easier because more intuitive than analytical methods (Solvency II: „ORSA“ !)

Example

We will compare the results of two analytical methods with the results of the simulation model and empirical observations

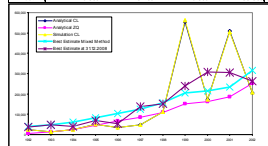
- Analytical methods:**
 - Additive model (ZQ) (no tail)
 - Chain-Ladder Model (CL) (no tail)
- Simulation methods:**
 - Chain-Ladder Model (no tail)
 - Mixed method of CL and Bornhuetter-Ferguson (with and without tail)

Example



Example: Comparison of results: Best estimate reserves

Best Estimate Reserve as at 31.12.2002					"Hindsight" Best Estimate at 31.12.2008	
Accident Year	Analytical CL	Analytical ZG	Simulation CL	Best Estimate Mixed Method	RS	BS
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1992	23,687	4,444	23,701	45,959	38,373	47,413
1993	13,085	12,383	13,084	48,395	40,713	65,803
1994	24,485	23,687	24,562	55,948	52,919	128,318
1995	51,117	44,271	50,911	87,587	104,862	152,402
1996	33,813	66,427	34,406	104,862	236,821	304,739
1997	48,284	83,783	48,408	124,844	263,396	1,653,372
1998	111,144	107,877	111,988	155,380	155,380	
1999	555,036	180,313	561,888	205,644		
2000	171,729	162,642	173,318	214,564		
2001	509,198	185,483	504,700	234,530		
2002	295,396	251,527	297,130	315,180		
Total	1,746,863	1,092,818	1,754,096	1,586,283		
CV	78.9%	79.2%	78.9%	96.9%		

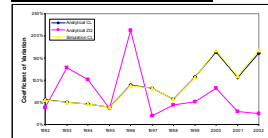


Best estimate mixed method estimates best!

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Example: Comparison of results: ultimate prediction error

Prediction error as at 31.12.2002				
Accident Year	Analytical CL	Analytical ZG	Simulation CL	Best Estimate Mixed Method
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1992	13,228	1,666	13,047	22,788
1993	6,542	844	6,512	13,290
1994	11,430	24,031	11,487	17,156
1995	19,878	10,021	19,817	20,148
1996	30,300	140,842	30,260	38,890
1997	29,646	16,440	29,763	39,978
1998	63,445	47,427	64,100	19,686
1999	594,156	76,946	596,429	17,025
2000	281,326	132,305	283,271	29,738
2001	539,486	53,539	545,528	4,765
2002	330,640	69,280	344,916	
Total	1,170,561	231,647	1,163,268	
CV	87%	21%	86%	

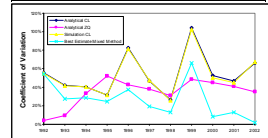


The CL simulation method produces approximately the same prediction error as the analytical CL method.

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Example: Comparison of results: one-year prediction error

Prediction error of one-year risk as at 31.12.2002				
Accident Year	Analytical CL	Analytical ZG	Simulation CL	Best Estimate Mixed Method
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1992	13,230	183	13,047	22,788
1993	5,497	1,156	5,410	13,290
1994	9,919	7,918	9,913	17,156
1995	16,101	23,139	15,982	20,148
1996	27,852	28,557	27,927	38,890
1997	22,609	31,731	22,877	39,978
1998	28,909	33,444	29,158	19,686
1999	576,842	73,378	574,617	17,025
2000	80,001	73,252	86,936	29,738
2001	238,660	76,078	227,307	4,765
2002	138,862	87,677	139,786	
Total	904,794	169,382	824,468	185,115
CV	82%	15%	47%	12%

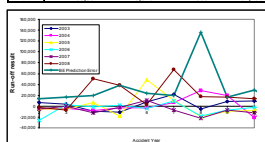


- The CL simulation produces approximately the same one-year prediction error as the analytical CL method.
- The best estimate mixed method is the most realistic one.
- The one-year calendar risk is in this case only 16% of the ultimate prediction error.

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Example: Comparison of results: empirical run-off result

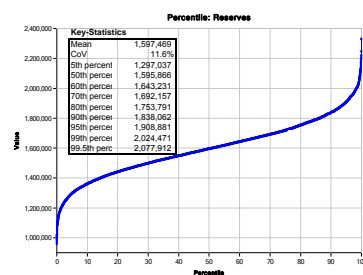
Accident Year	One-year prediction error						SE Prediction Error
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
n-16	21,238	955	-4,972	-6,635	1,195	-5,371	22,153
n-9	7,139	-4,880	-5,123	-26,252	-5,441	-1,899	13,299
n-8	3,855	-4,583	-4,841	2,344	159	-7,426	17,156
n-7	-9,543	-8,126	6,581	-1,488	-11,819	50,759	20,148
n-6	-11,613	-3,011	-16,461	2,201	-2,389	38,669	26,968
n-5	8,154	-3,250	48,665	-4,379	11,132	2,982	23,979
n-4	21,928	6,718	10,661	9,645	-7,368	67,022	18,689
n-3	-5,161	29,003	-18,642	-17,838	-22,405	17,968	136,536
n-2	8,746	19,369	-9,116	-7,448	-8,820	16,983	17,029
n-1	10,039	-21,544	-8,187	-2,631	-12,136	14,058	29,738
n	1,102	11,876	6,528	-793	31	13,979	4,759
Total	55,651	26,676	-938	-52,196	-59,628	219,363	185,116



Best estimate mixed
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Example: Comparison of results: reserve risk capital (one-year view)

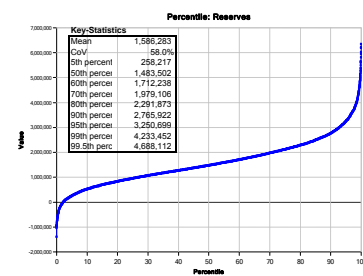


One-year view:
Reserve Risk Capital¹:
€ 480.443 (30%)

¹ Defined as $RC(X) = \text{VaR}_{99.9}(X) - E(X)$

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Example: Comparison of results: reserve risk capital (ultimate view)



Ultimate view:
Reserve Risk Capital¹:
€ 3,101.829 (196%)

¹ Defined as $RC(X) = \text{VaR}_{99.9}(X) - E(X)$

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Conclusion

- The one-year risk can become very small relative to the ultimate risk
- One-year risk alone is not sufficient to manage risk:
 - Ultimate risk is important!
 - One-year risk always needs to be considered together with risk margin or market value margin ("MVM"), which covers the one-year risk profile over the entire run-off
- In the special case of the Chain Ladder Method the simulation model produces the same first moments as the analytical methods but is much more flexible and provides underlying stochastic cash flows.

Backup

- IAIS¹ („Guidance paper on the structure of regulatory capital requirements²“) distinguishes between a *shock-period* and an *effect period*:
 - „the period over which a shock is applied to a risk – the ‘*shock period*’;
 - the period over which the shock that is applied to a risk will impact the insurer – the ‘*effect horizon*’.“
- “In essence, at the end of the shock period, capital has to be sufficient so that assets cover the technical provisions (...) re-determined at the end of the shock period. The re-determination of the technical provisions would allow for the impact of the shock on the technical provisions over the full time horizon of the policy obligations.”

¹ International Association of Insurance Supervisors
² www.iaisweb.org, October 2008

Backup

Illustration¹:

Accident Year	Development Year					
	1	2	...	i-1	i	i+1
i-9	$C_{i-9,1}$	$C_{i-9,2}$	$C_{i-9,3}$	...	$C_{i-9,i-1}$	$C_{i-9,i+1}$
i-8	$C_{i-8,1}$	$C_{i-8,2}$	$C_{i-8,3}$	...	$C_{i-8,i-1}$	$C_{i-8,i}$
i-7	$C_{i-7,1}$	$C_{i-7,2}$	$C_{i-7,3}$	...	$C_{i-7,i-1}$	
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	
i-1	$C_{i-1,1}$	$C_{i-1,2}$	$C_{i-1,3}$			
i	$C_{i,1}$	$C_{i,2}$				
i+1	$C_{i+1,1}$					

- Area A contains the known information and data at 31.12.i
- Area B represents the shock period [1.1.i+1;31.12.i+1]
- Area C represents the effect period beyond 31.12.i+1

¹ Analogous to "AISM-ACME study on non-life long tail liabilities" 17. October 2007

Backup

- Most publications on claims reserving consider only the ultimate risk, i.e. let R_0 be the claims reserves of the opening balance and C_∞ the claims payments over the entire run-off, then we can describe the ultimate reserve risk by $RR_\infty = R_0 - C_\infty$.
- ASIM-ACEME¹:
"Only a few members were aware of the inconsistency between their assessment on the ultimate cost and the Solvency II framework which uses a one year horizon. ... the use of innovative actuarial methodologies is required to replace the classical ones which are inappropriate." (2007, press release)

¹ Association Internationale des Sociétés d'Assurance Mutuelle – Association of European Cooperative and Mutual Insurers

Chain-Ladder simulation method

Simulation model (1/2):

- The chain ladder bootstrap considers the development factors

$$F_{ik} = \frac{E[F_{ik} | C_{ik}]}{C_{ik}} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}[F_{ik} | C_{ik}] = \frac{\sigma_k^2}{C_{ik}}$$

- The scaled Pearson residuum is defined as:

$$r_{ik} = r_{PS}(F_{ik}, \hat{f}_k, w_{ik}, \hat{\sigma}_k) = \frac{\sqrt{w_{ik}}(F_{ik} - \hat{f}_k)}{\hat{\sigma}_k}$$

- The chain ladder model is a recursive model, where the forecast is simulated step by step. The starting point are the cumulated claims

Chain-Ladder simulation method

Simulation model (2/2):

- The forecast in the first step is obtained for every bootstrap iteration by sampling from the underlying process distribution, i.e. for $i = 2, 3, \dots, I$ and $k = I+2-i$:

$$C_{i,k+1}^* | C_{ik} \sim \text{Normal}(\tilde{f}_k C_{ik}, \hat{\sigma}_k^2 C_{ik})$$

- The forecast in the second step is obtained by sampling from:

$$C_{i,k+1}^* | C_{ik}^* \sim \text{Normal}(\tilde{f}_k C_{ik}^*, \hat{\sigma}_k^2 C_{ik}^*), i=3, 4, \dots, I \text{ und } k = I+3-i, I+4-i, \dots, I$$

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