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Variable Capital Loads GIRO Convention

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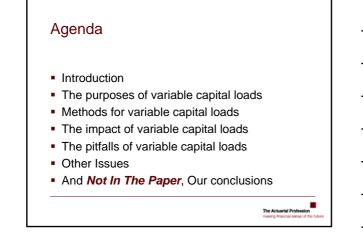
Introduction

- The property insurance for CatExposed Inc. is up for renewal
- Your firm is interested in participating on both the working layer and the high excess layer
- You've been asked to supply the technical rate

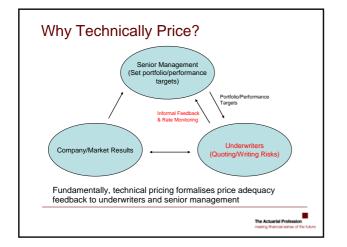


	High exc		
Working layer	layer		
47	14		
46	106		
71%	3%		
139	0		
192	677		
200	1,000		
2	2		
	47 46 71% 139 192		

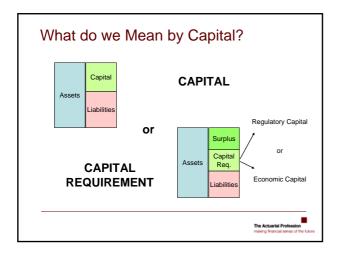














Why Load for Capital?

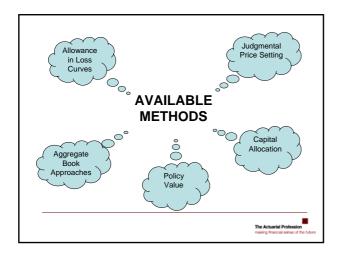
- Cost of capital provide feedback
- Total costs ensure reflected in technical price
- Policy riskiness formalise price allowance
- Portfolio diversification encourage through loadings
- Risk appetite better embed throughout the firm
- Portfolio capital efficiency improve
- Risk mitigation strategies encourage



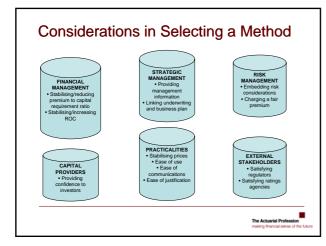
Linking Capital and Pricing

- Objective is for sellers and buyers to vary load in a risk consistent manner optimal to firm
- Could take account of
 - Volatility of costs
 - Potential call on capital
 - Riskiness of business (under appropriate measure)
 - Correlation of costs with rest of the portfolio
 - Correlation of costs with investors other investments (CAPM)

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- Implicit allowance in loss curves
- Loadings in certain parts of the loss curves
- Different loss curves use for different segments
- Easy to use and communicate
- ✓ Provides a framework for stable pricing over time
- Unlikely to fully reflect risk considerations
- Limited justification from a company financial management perspective

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Aggregate Book Approaches

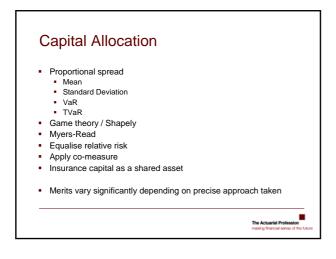
- Capital markets
- Incremental marginal capital value add
- Provides a high degree of confidence to ratings agencies, capital providers
 Straightforward to communicate methodology to
- Straightforward to communicate methodology to stakeholders
- Improves overall capital management efficiency of firm (particularly marginal capital method)
- ✗ Pricing will vary depending on circumstances, reducing the ease of implementation

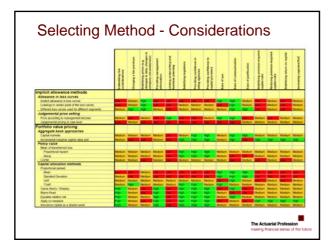
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Policy Value

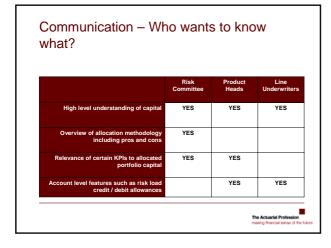
- Mean of transformed loss
 Proportional hazard
- Wang
- CAPM
- Provides a high degree of confidence to ratings agencies, capital providers
- * Difficult to communicate to a non-technical audience













Communication and Pitfalls – Issues to Consider

- Sponsorship Risk committee needs to oversee and is important in managing politics
- Buy-in Can be a long and slow process and will vary significantly from stakeholder to stakeholder
- Subjectivity The assumptions used process will be open to challenge by various stakeholders (particularly underwriters), but this can be positive process in demonstrating 'integration' to third parties
- Incentives Linking capital measures to performance bonuses aids debate and internal engagement but also increases politics
- Allocating Capital Requires decisions to be made as to what capital measure is used, how
 capital is defined and agreeing who has responsibility for managing its various components
- International issues Different cultures, understanding and local legislation need to be managed
- Professionalism Maintenance of professional standards whilst dealing with political pressures is a key skill

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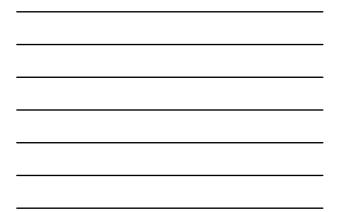
Understanding the impact

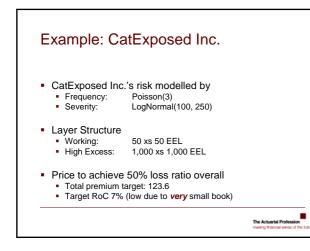
- This is clearly not a decision to be taken lightly
- Decision could be based on:
 - Technical qualities
 - Stability of results
 - Business's perspective of the method
 - Practicalities
- Investigated for ten methods

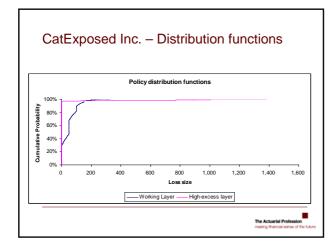
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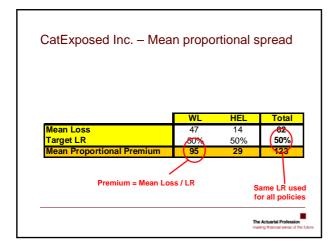
		High excess
	Working layer	layer
Expected loss	47	14
Standard deviation	46	106
Probability of a claim	71%	3%
95th Percentile	139	0
99th Percentile	192	677
99.5th Percentile	200	1,000
Technical rate	?	?







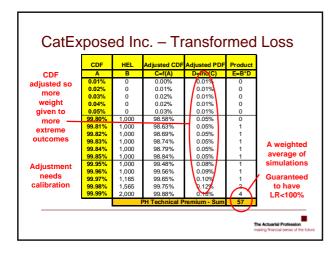




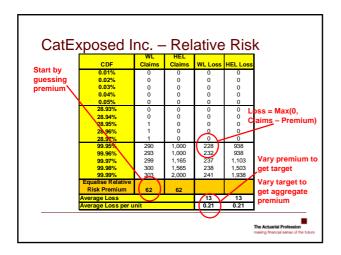


	WL	HEL	Total
Mean Loss	47	14	62
TVaR	168	294	430
RoC	7%	7%	7%
Technical Premium	(55)	32	87
Target Premium	\sum	\bigcirc	123
Final Premium	78	(45)	123

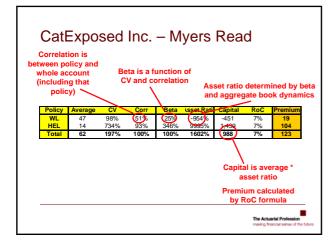




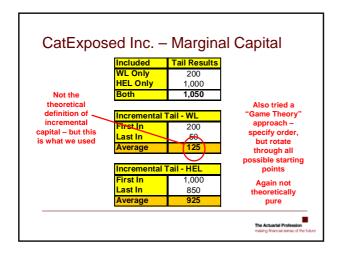




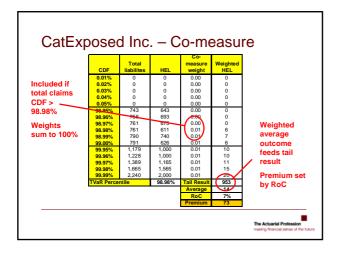




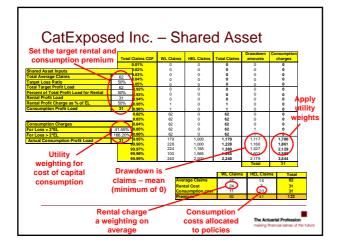






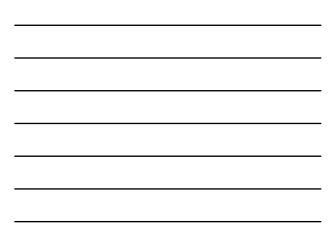


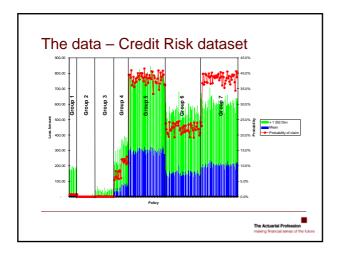




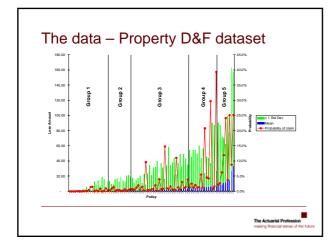


	WL	HEL
lean Proportional	95	29
VaR Proportional	78	45
PH Transform	67	57
Wang Transform	73	50
Equalise Relative Risk	62	62
Myers-Read	19	104
Marginal Capital	52	71
(TVaR) Co-measure	73	50
Shared Asset	82	41

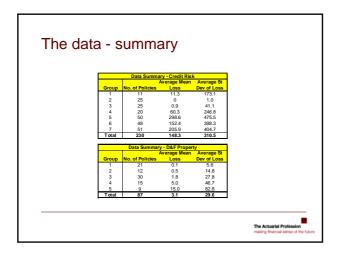




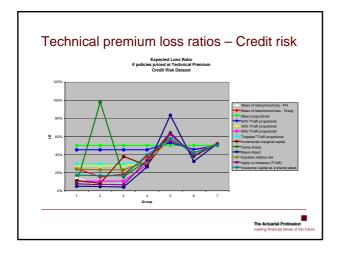




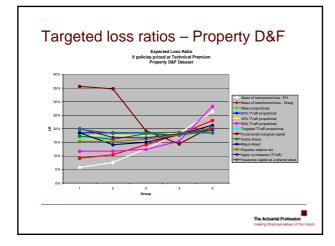




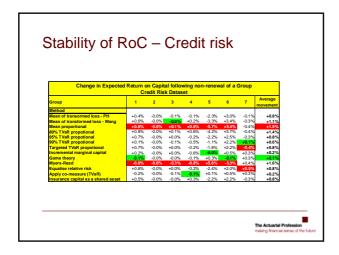




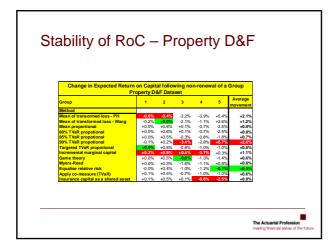




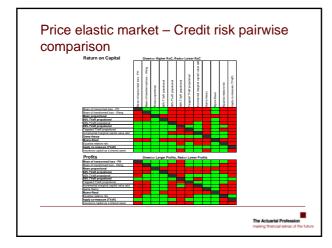




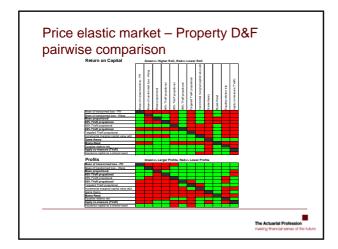




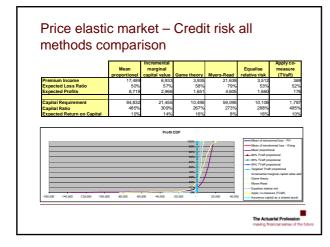














	Mean of transormed loss - PH	Mean	99% TVaR	Incremental marginal capital value	Game theory	Mvers-Read	Apply co measure (TVaR)
Premium Income	15			capital value 37	Game theory 10	Myers-Read 188	(TVaR)
Expected Loss Ratio	229		42%	57%	26%	48%	3
Expected Profits	12	1 224	98	16	8	98	
Capital Requirement	1.68	3 2.320	1.709	1.123	249	1.601	4
Capital Ratio	10869			3029%	2375%	851%	302
Expected Return on Ca	pital 79	6 10%	6%	1%	3%	6%	
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Other issues

- The market cycle
 Marginal capital
 Updating and communicating methods and parameters
- Risk profiles
- ÷ Reinsurance
- Risk appetite
- Tax
- Length of tail •
- Mergers and acquisitions; group and market considerations •



