

# Premium Liability Correlations and Systemic Risk

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# Introduction

- Based on research I am doing for my Masters thesis



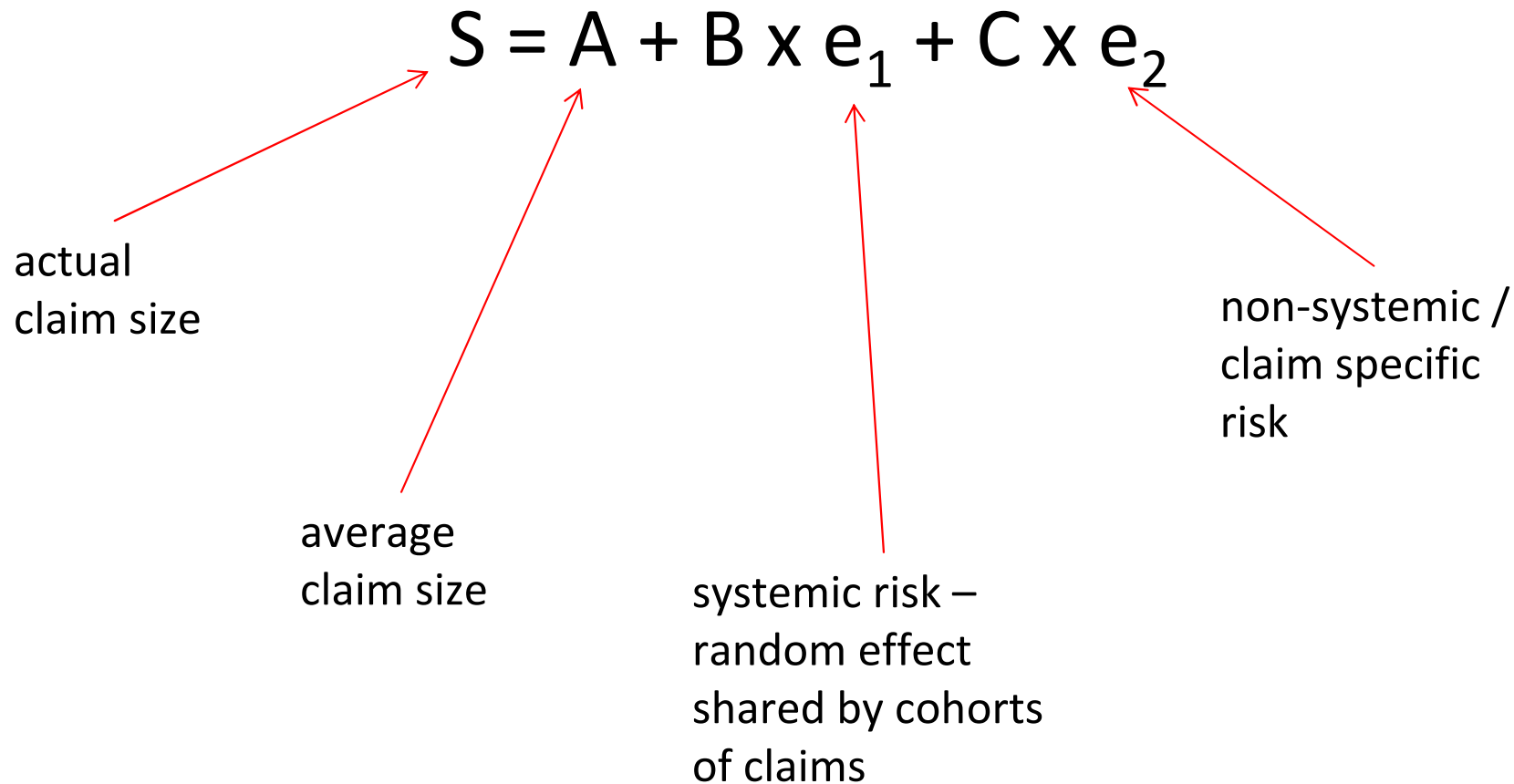
- How to measure correlations between premium liability and outstanding claims
- How to measure the split between systemic risk versus non-systemic risk

# The Model

For each and every claim:

$$S = A + B \times e_1 + C \times e_2$$

actual  
claim size

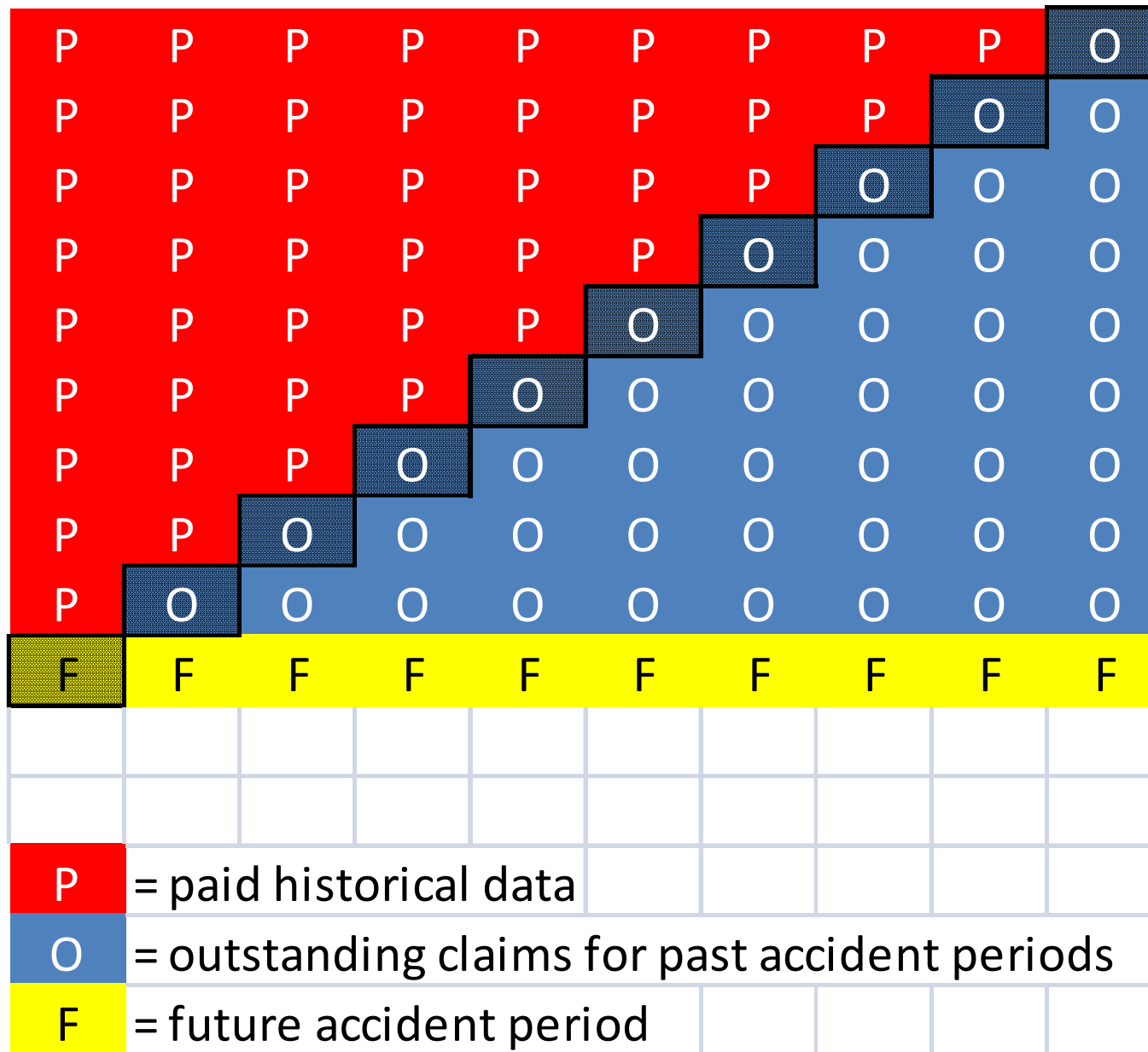


average  
claim size

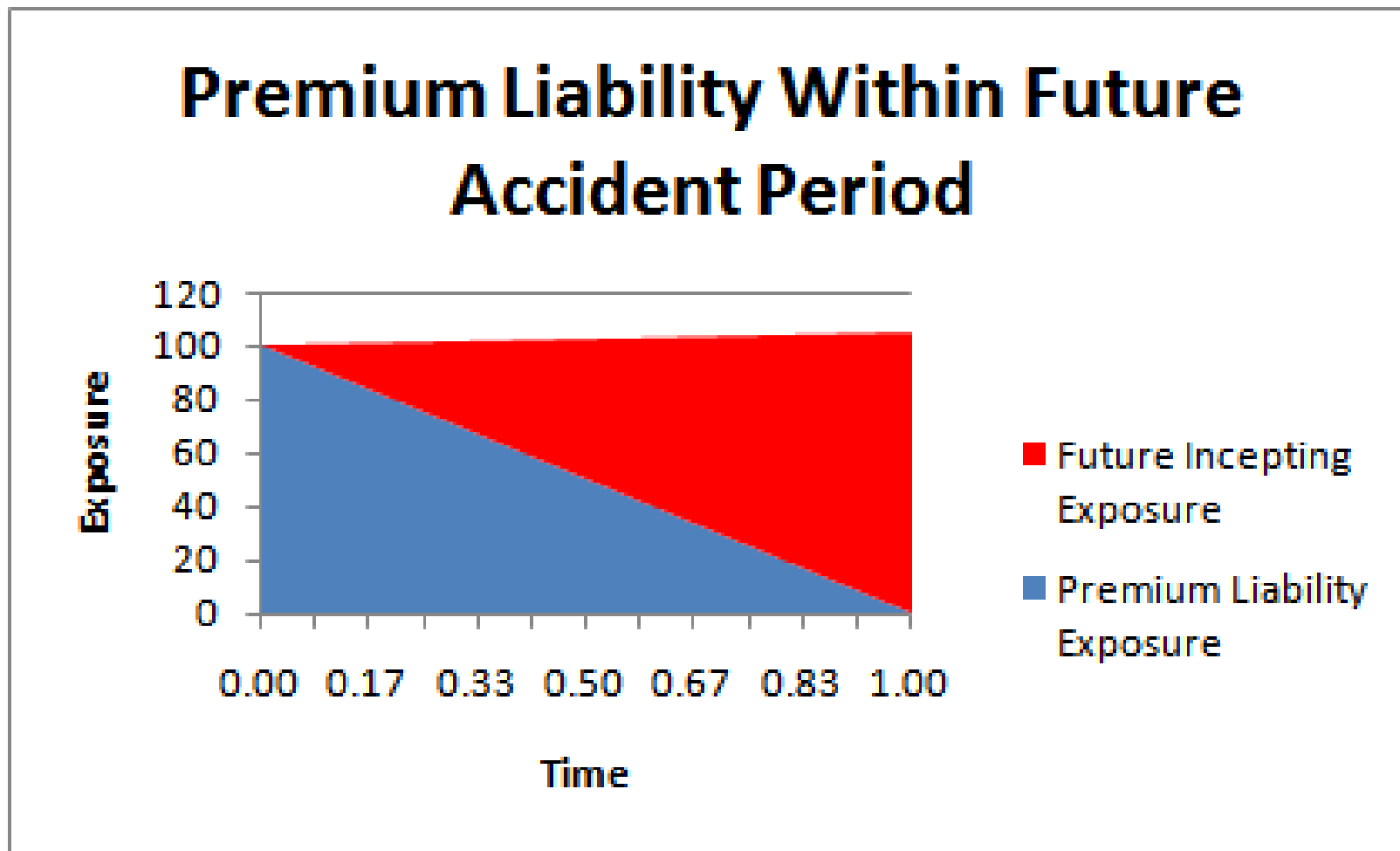
systemic risk –  
random effect  
shared by cohorts  
of claims

non-systemic /  
claim specific  
risk

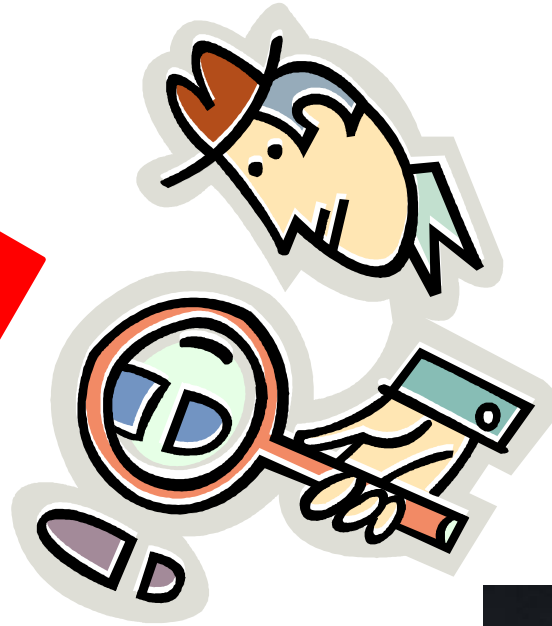
# Runoff Triangles



# Premium Liability vs. Accident Period



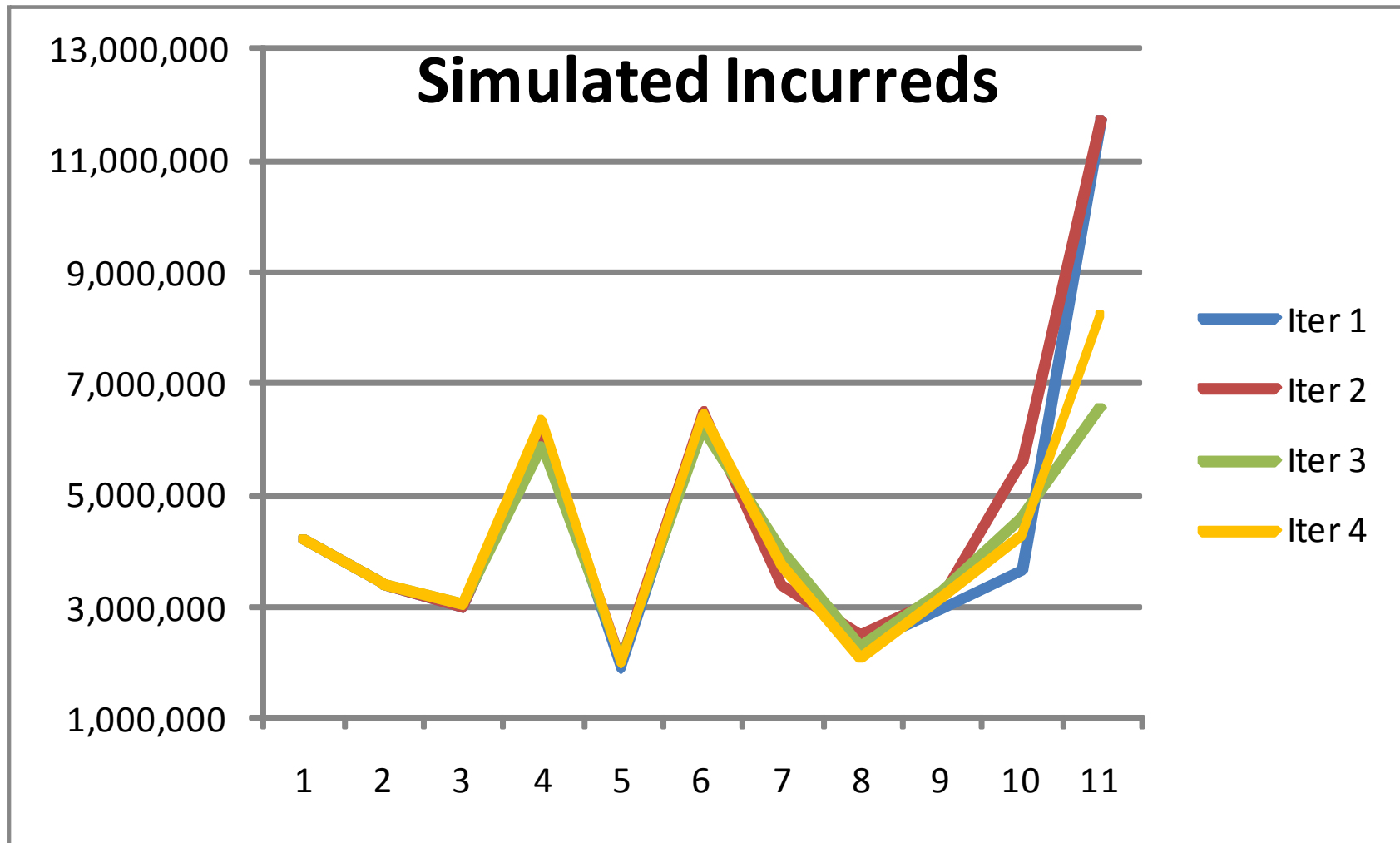
# Past -> Future



# Past is Unknown



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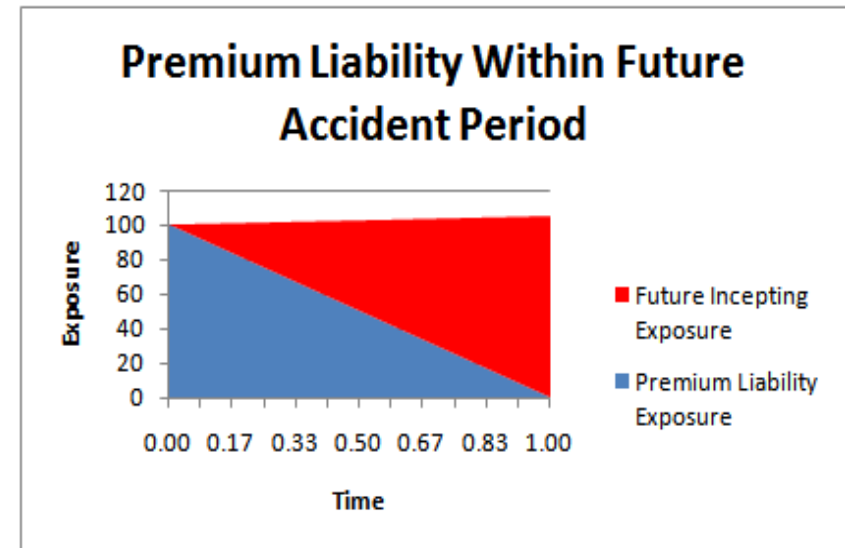
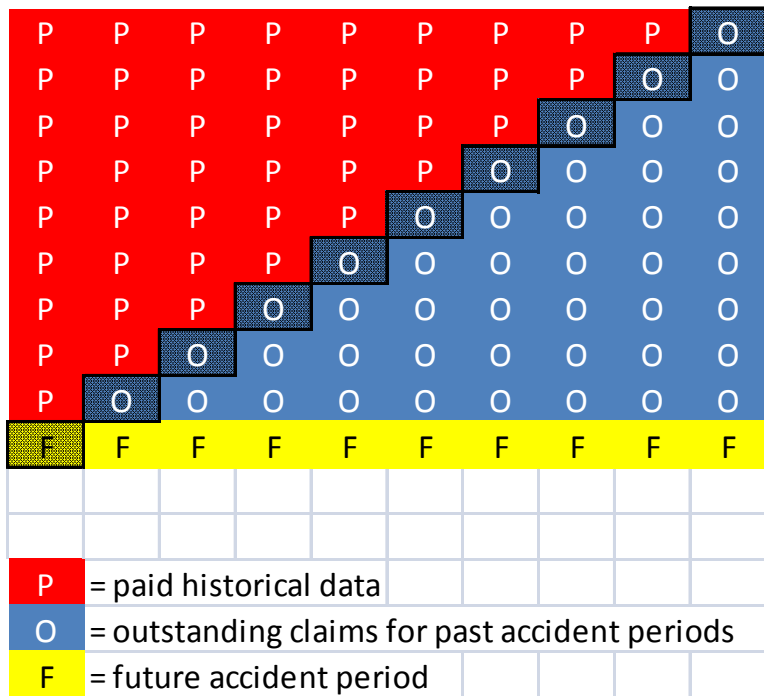
# Next Accident Period

P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	O
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	O	O	O
P	P	P	P	P	P	O	O	O	O
P	P	P	P	P	O	O	O	O	O
P	P	P	P	O	O	O	O	O	O
P	P	P	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
P	P	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
P	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
P	= paid historical data								
O	= outstanding claims for past accident periods								
F	= future accident period								

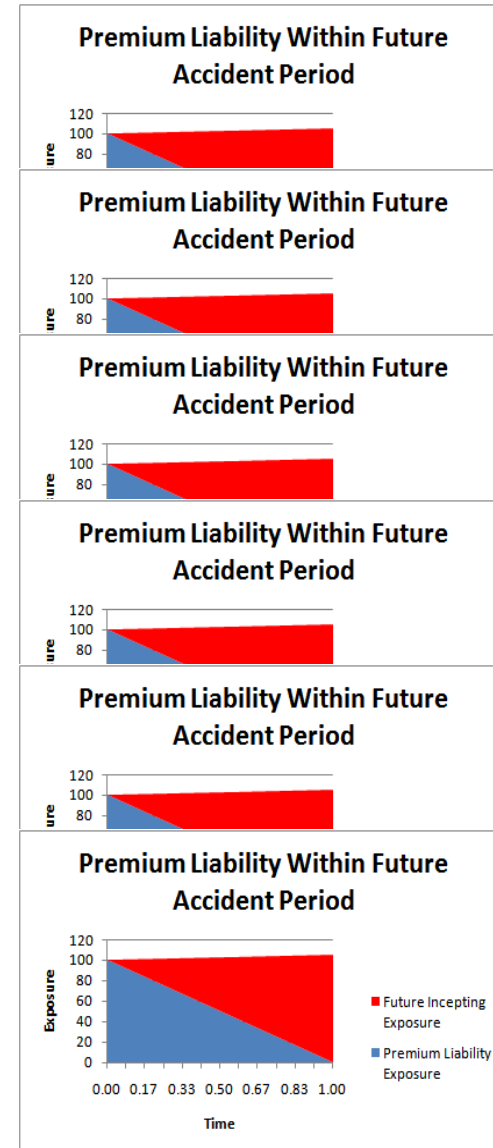
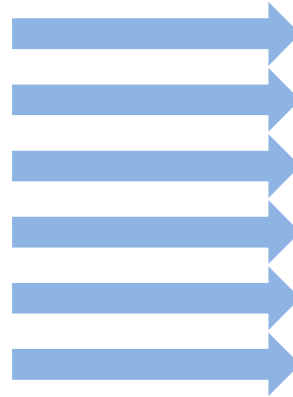
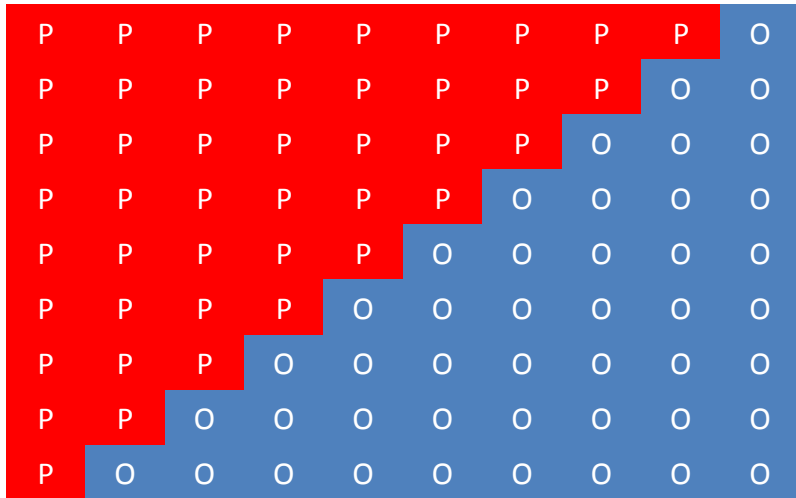
# Summary: Step 1

- Estimate of outstanding must be correlated to estimate of next accident period because both are estimated from the same data
- Bootstrap the past accident period variability to estimate the
  - variability of next accident period
  - correlation of the estimate of the next accident period to past

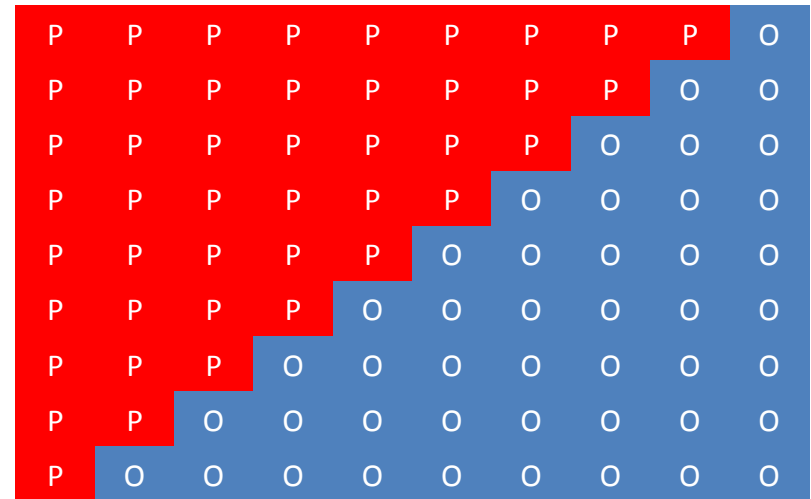
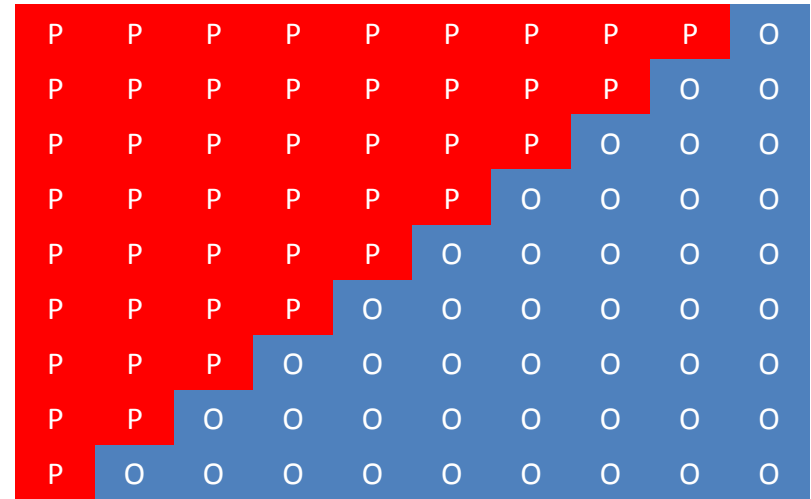
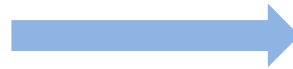
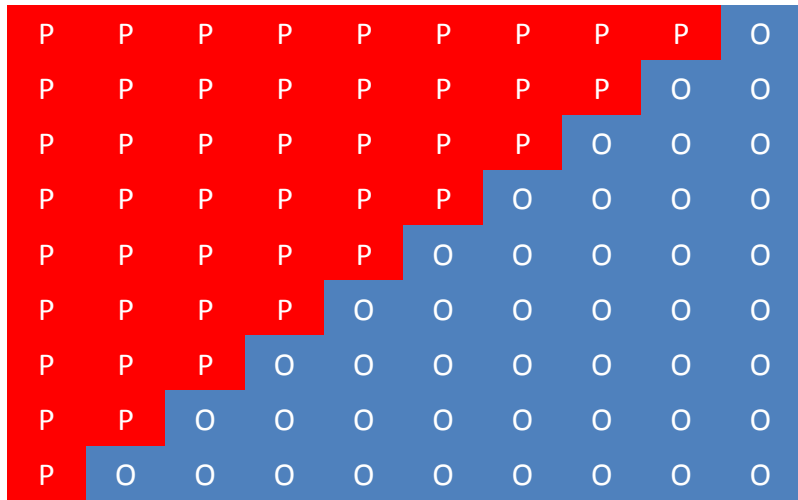
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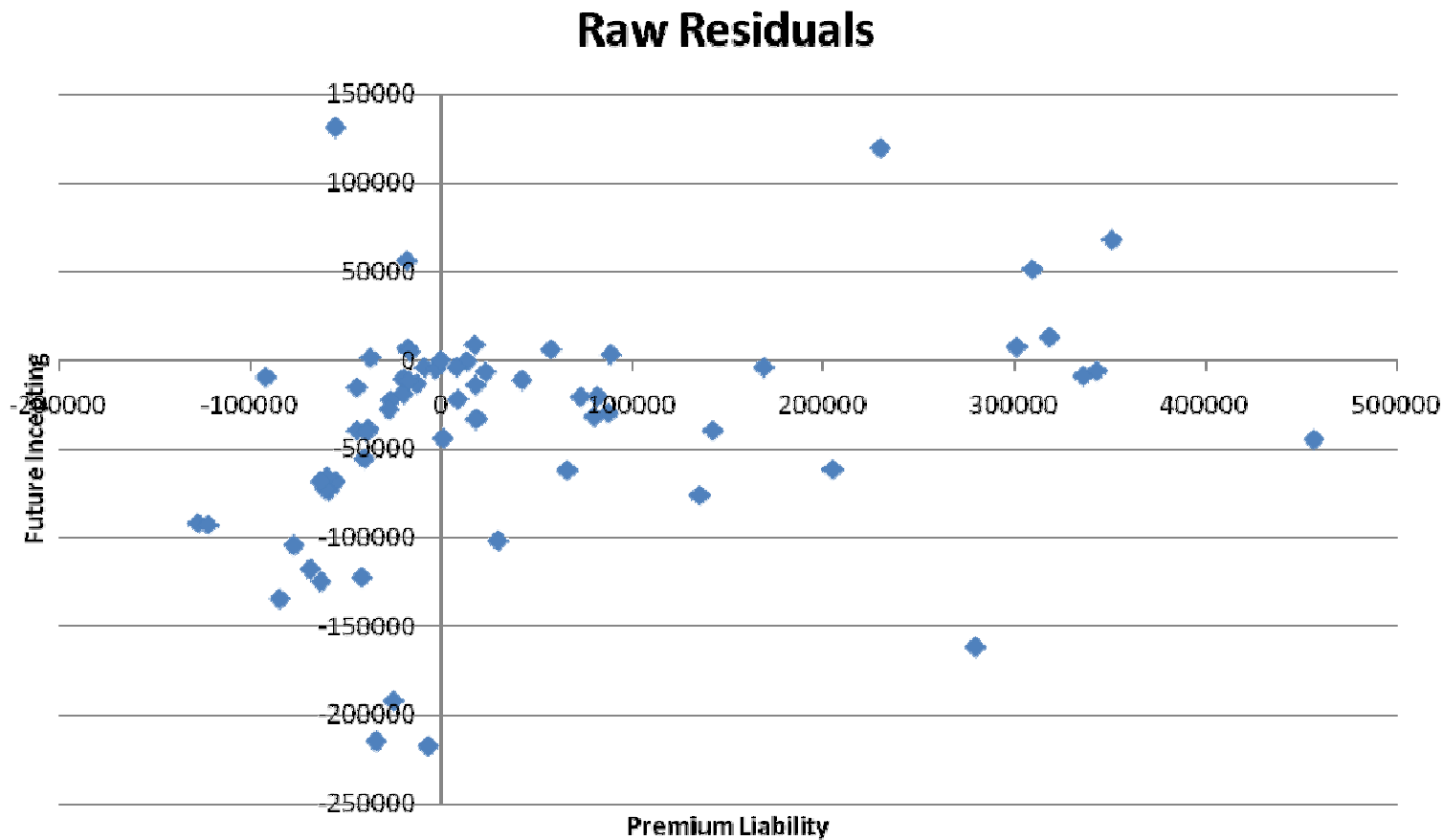
# 1 Triangle Split in Two



# 1 Triangle -> 2 Sub-Triangles



# Sub-Triangles are Correlated



# Detour - Correlations



# Simulation - Design

- 2 triangles
- each matching accident period has 80% correlation
- shouldn't the triangles then have 80% correlation?



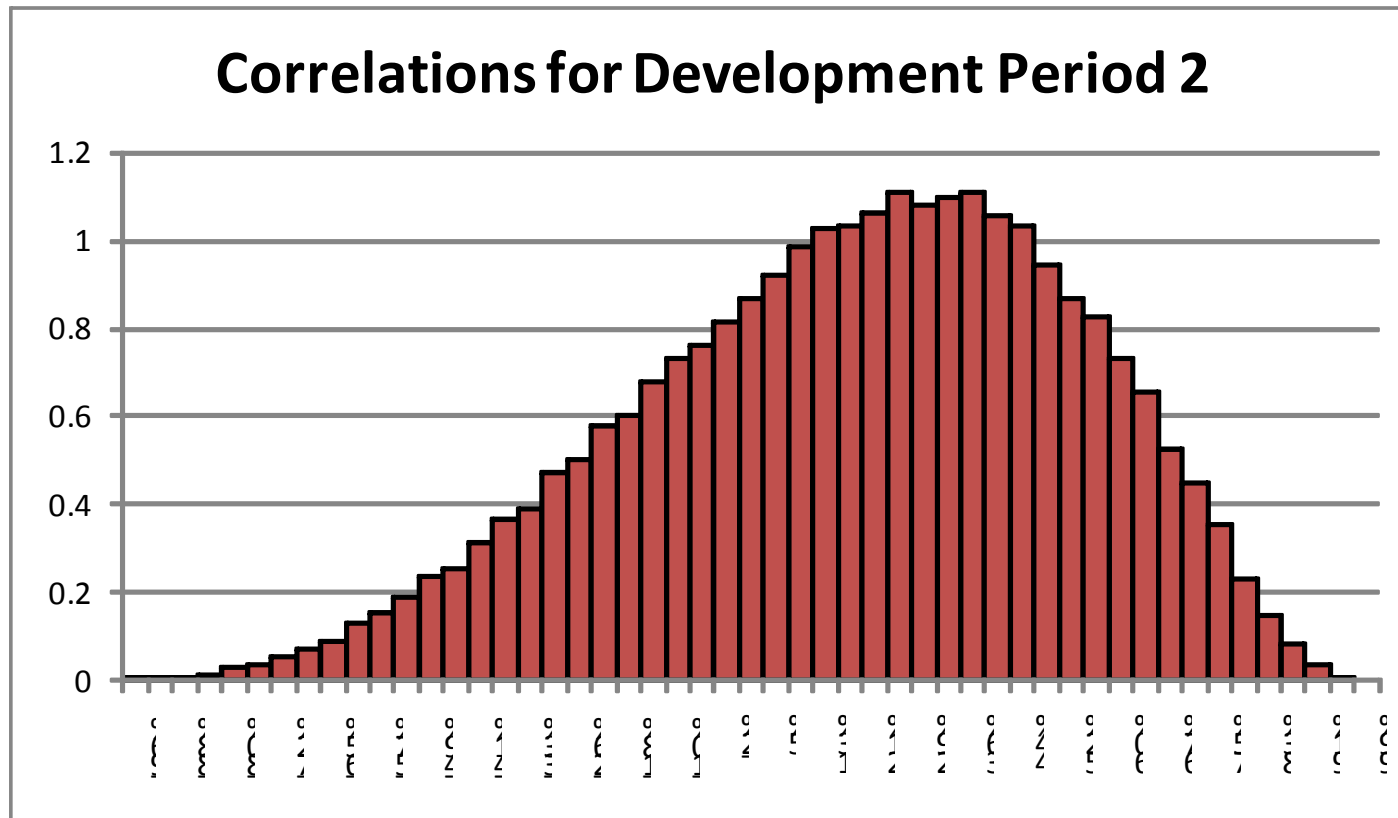
# Simulation - Results

Development Period	Mean Correlation
1	10%
2	20%
3	20%
4	13%
5	6%
6	3%
7	1%
8	0%
9	0%

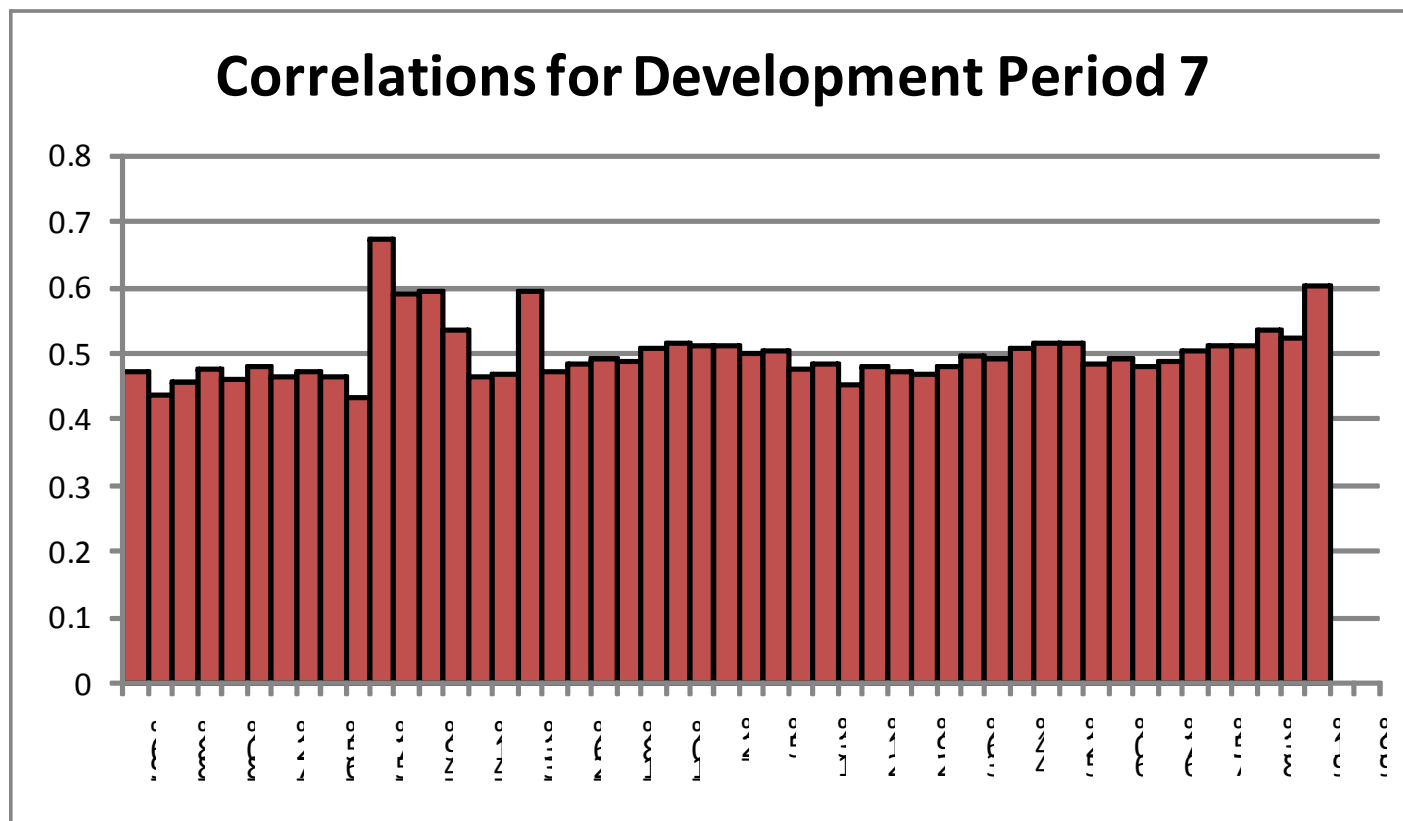
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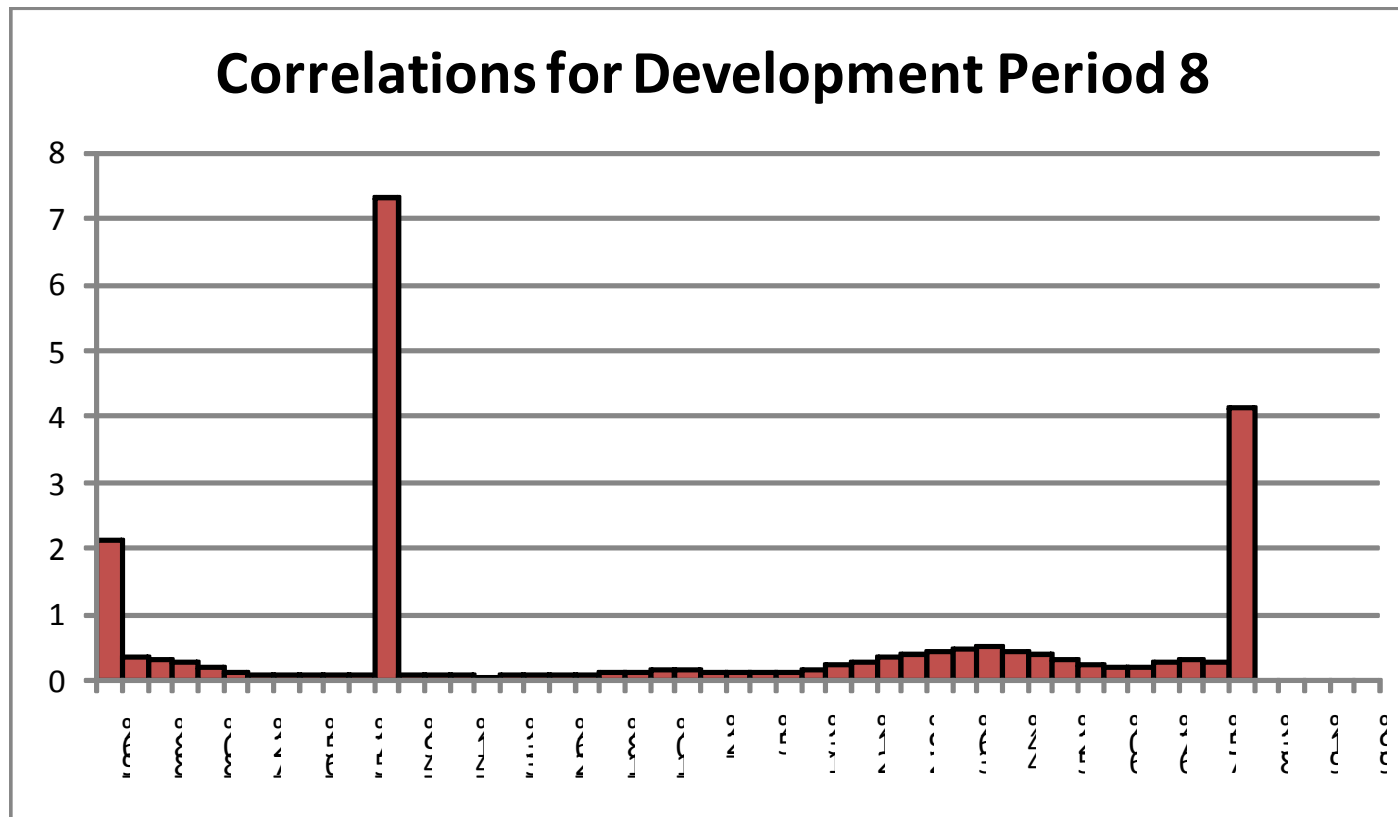
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# Why Does Correlation Collapse?

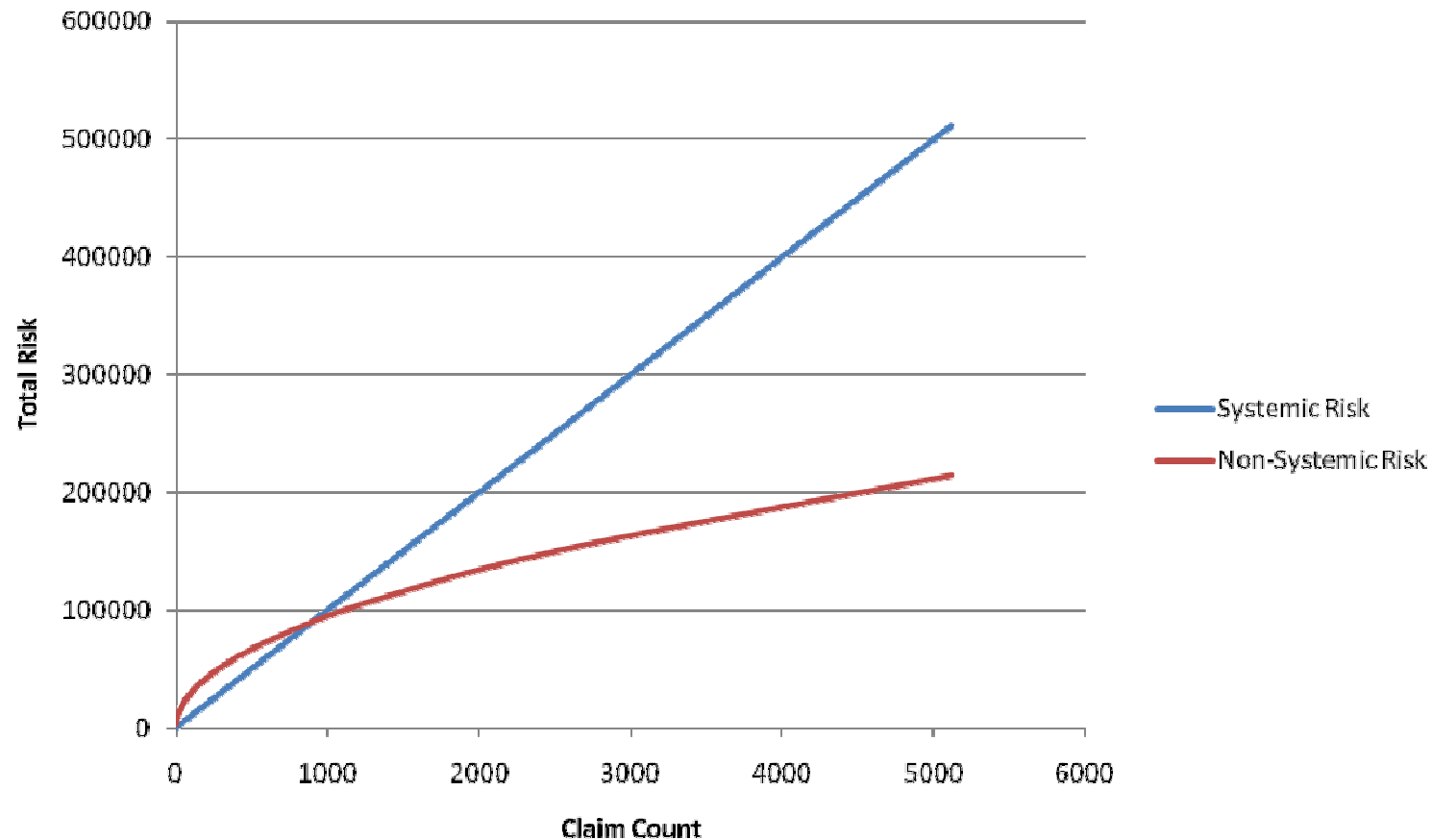


- The ratio of systemic risk to non-systemic risk is reducing as we move to higher development periods (because fewer claims)



- BUT this means that we can estimate systemic risk and non-systemic risk

# Systemic vs. Non-Systemic



# Modelling Systemic vs. Non-Systemic

- fitting a model such that  $\sigma(r_{ij}) = \hat{P}_{ij}\alpha^2\beta + \sqrt{\hat{P}_{ij}}\alpha\gamma$ .
- the maximum likelihood estimate requires us to minimise this function

$$f(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \frac{1}{2}n \ln(2\pi) + \sum \ln \left( \hat{P}_{ij}\alpha^2\beta + \sqrt{\hat{P}_{ij}}\alpha\gamma \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum \frac{R_{ij}^2}{\left( \hat{P}_{ij}\alpha^2\beta + \sqrt{\hat{P}_{ij}}\alpha\gamma \right)^2}$$

- this means that the correlation of the two sub-triangles is estimated as

$$\rho = \frac{\alpha n_A}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 n_A^2 + \beta^2 n_A}} \times \frac{\alpha n_B}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 n_B^2 + \beta^2 n_B}}$$

# Back On Track

- The estimate of the standard deviation of the premium liability can be expressed as a function of the standard deviation of the whole accident period (which we estimated earlier in this presentation)

$$\sigma_A = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha^2 n_A^2 + \beta^2 n_A}}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 (n_A + n_B)^2 + \beta^2 (n_A + n_B)}} \sigma_{A+B}$$



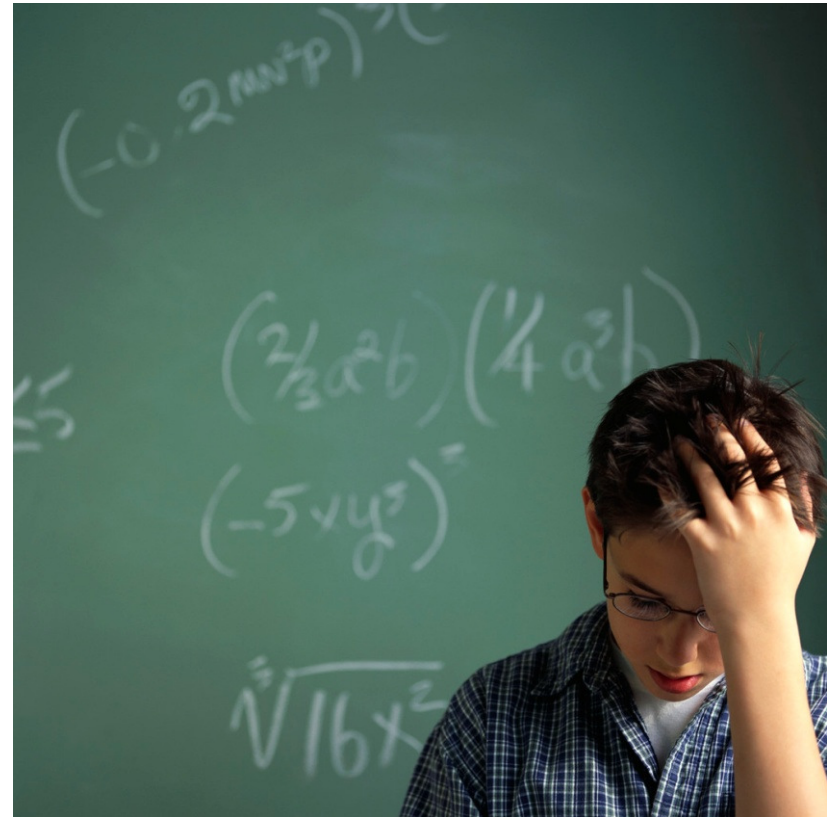
# Summary: Step 2

- Fit a model to separate systemic from non-systemic risk
- Use the model parameters to obtain an estimate for the standard deviation of the premium liability

# More Algebra!

- correlation of premium liability and the whole accident period is

$$\frac{\alpha^2 n_A^2 + \alpha^2 n_A n_B + \beta^2 n_A}{\sqrt{\alpha^2 n_A^2 + \beta^2 n_A} \sqrt{(n_A + n_B) (\beta^2 + \alpha^2 n_A + \alpha^2 n_B)}}$$



# Summary: Step 3

- combine the correlations of
  - outstanding claims and next accident period
  - next accident period and premium liability
- it is reasonable to assume that these relationships are independent

# Summary

- the way to estimate correlations is to estimate systemic and non-systemic risk