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**PEBELS:**

**Policy Exposure Based Excess Loss Smoothing**

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# My Challenge

## Strong Regional Focus

- State/Program Large Loss Provisions
- Low Credibility
- High Heterogeneity

# This Should be Easier

## No applicable method in literature

- ILFs for Liability
- ELFs for Workers Compensation
- **Nothing for Commercial Property or Homewners!**

# Goal of PEBELS

## **PEBELS = Property Large Loss Exposure Segmentation**

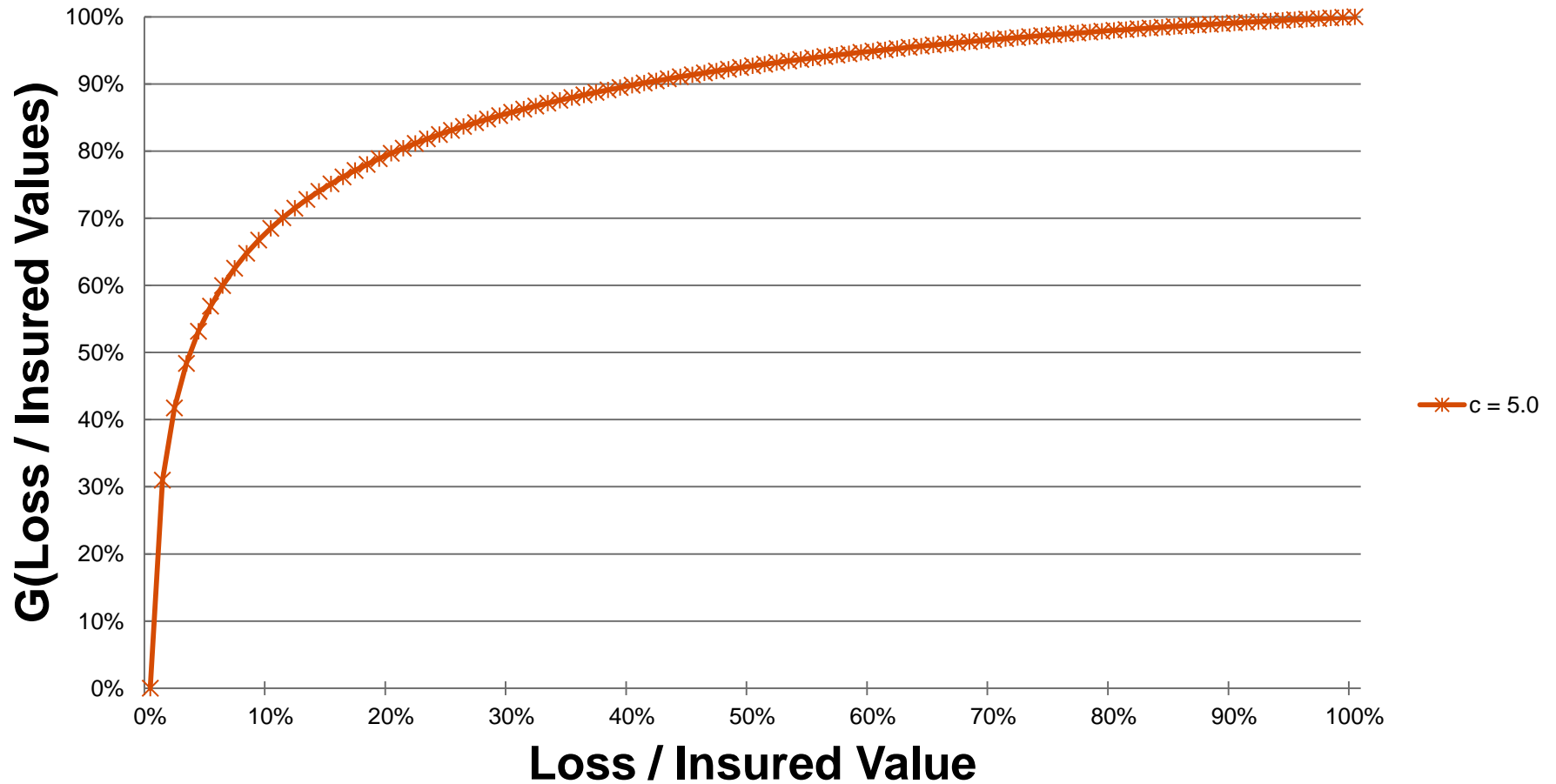
- Meet my challenge
- New applications!
- Deceptively difficult
  - 1) No clear limit
  - 2) Multiple non-linearities
  - 3) Additional nuances
  - 4) Practical considerations

# PEBELS Defined

Defined as  $PEBEL_i = P_i * ELR_i * EF_i$

- $P_i * ELR_i = E(L_i) = Total Expected Loss$
- $EF_i = G(x_u) - G(x_l) = Percentage of E(L_i) in layer$

# Exposure Curve



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# Reinsurance Per Risk Exposure Rating

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# Heterogeneity Generalization

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- Expected catastrophe loss
- Risk loads
- Rate adequacy

State:	House
X	65.0%
Y	65.0%
Z	40.0%

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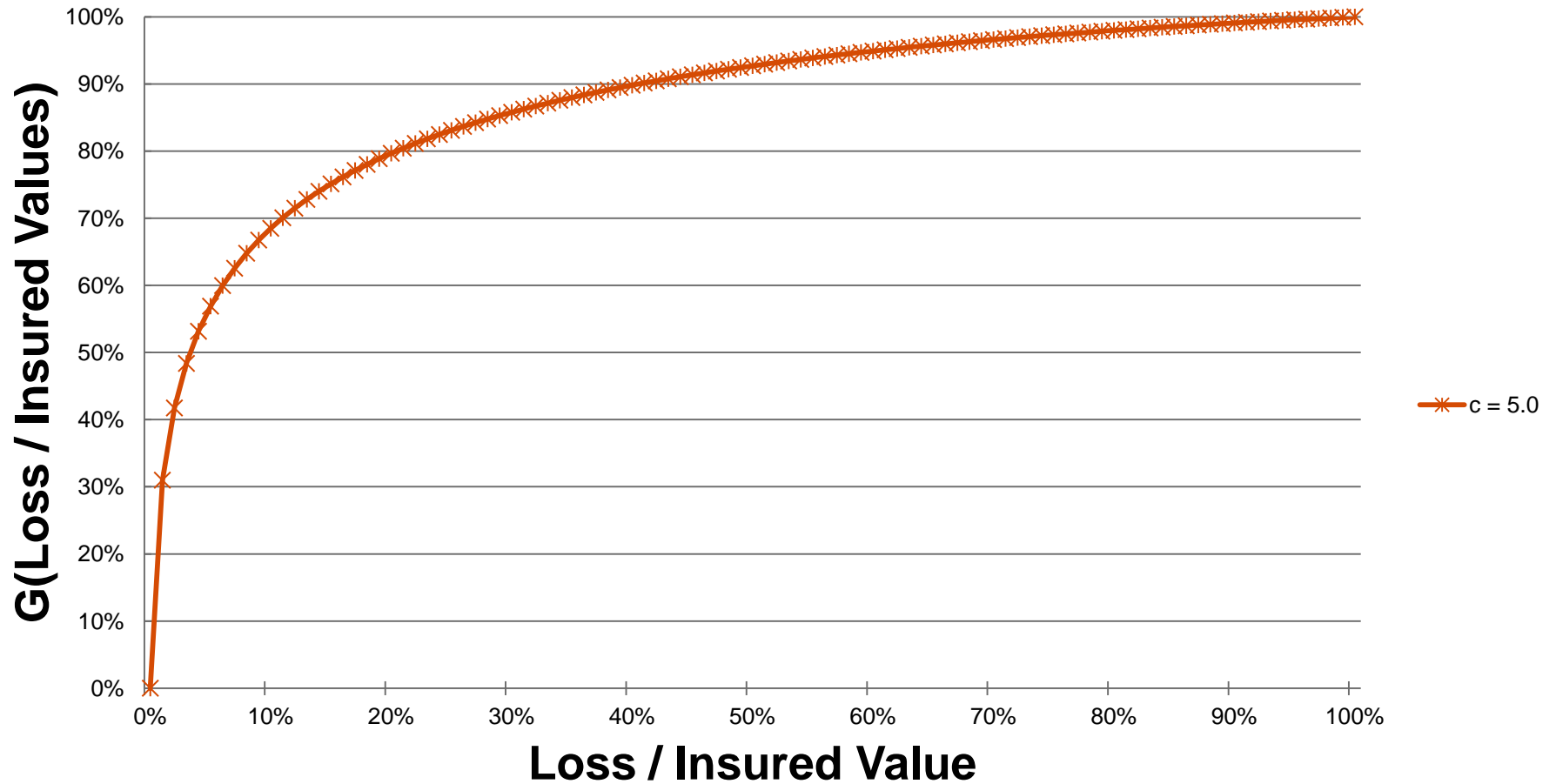
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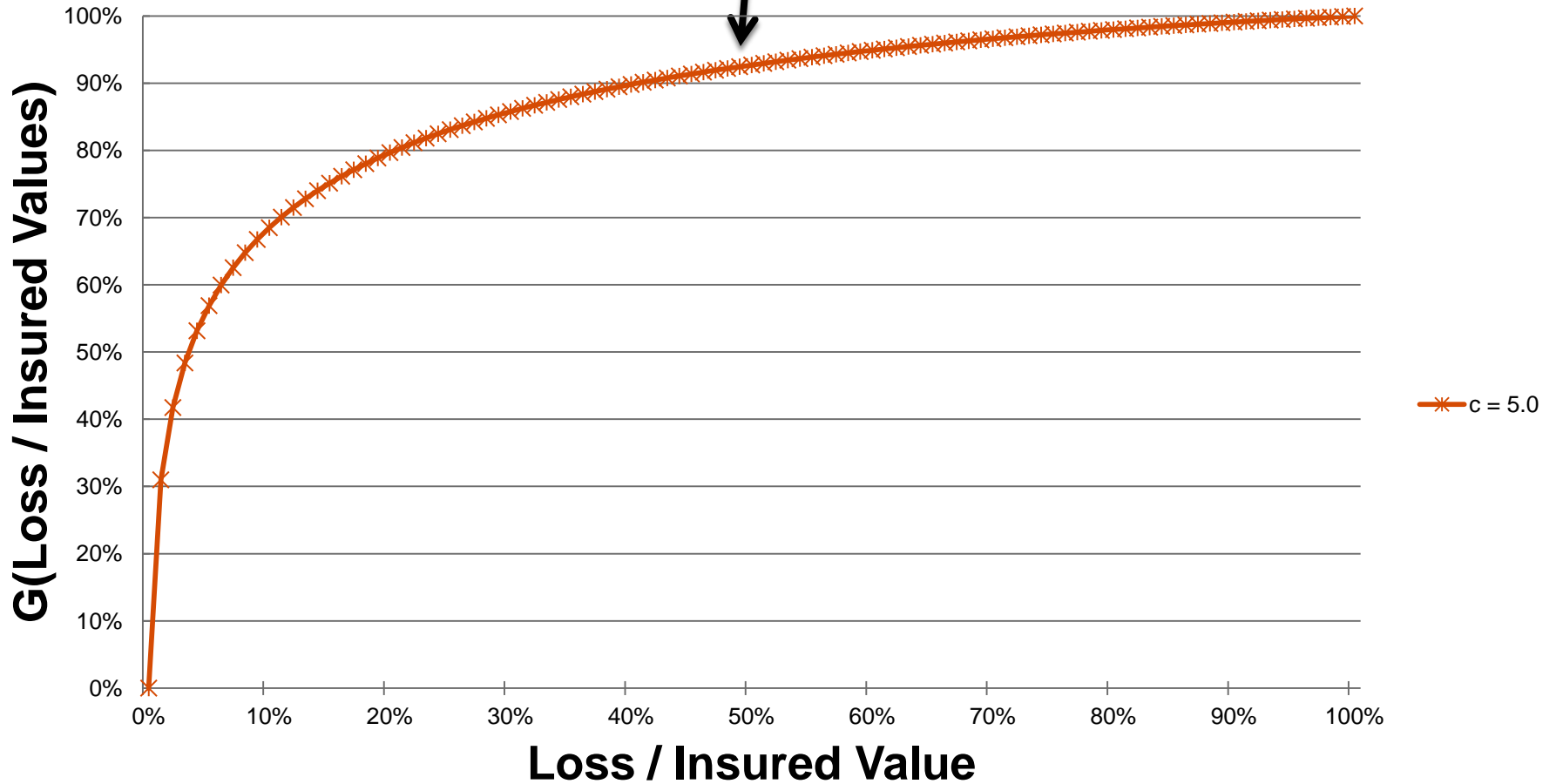
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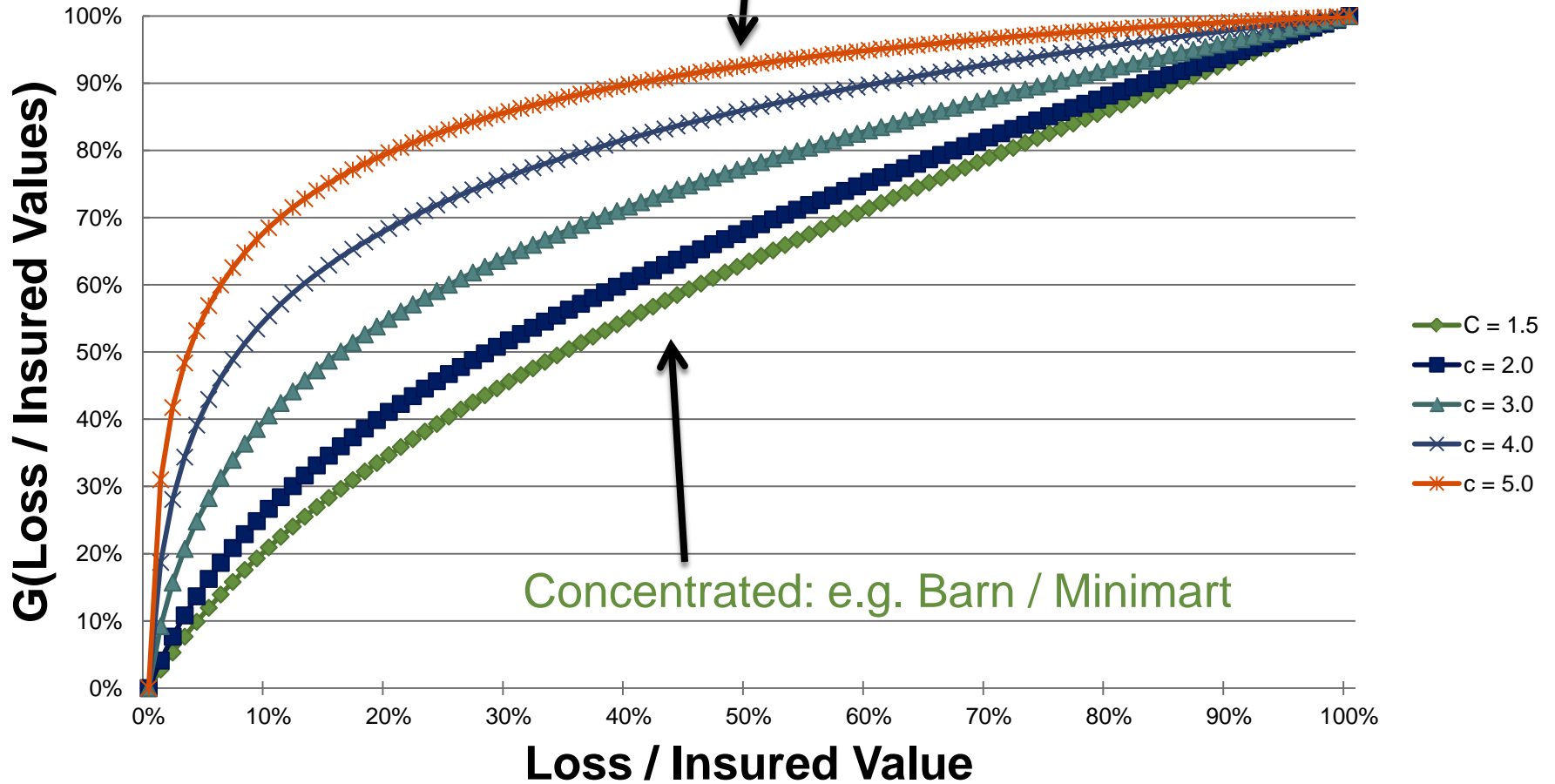
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# Applications

## Indications

- Motivated PEBELS
- Allocate large losses to state and program
  - Low credibility
  - High heterogeneity in underlying exposures

# Applications

## Adjusted Modeled Catastrophe AALs

- Traditionally assume AAL linear with IV
- This contradicts
  - Theory presented
  - Ludwig's study of Hurricane Hugo
- Implies bias between Personal & Commercial
- Can adjust AALs with PEBELS



# Applications

## Predictive Models

Hypothesize that PEBELS

- More predictive of large loss than IV
- Most predictive for highly skewed perils
- Most predictive in severity/excess models

# Applications

## Revised Property Per Risk Reinsurance Exposure Rating

### **Current formulation:**

$$NCLL_{Non-Credible\ Higher\ Layer}^{Expected\ Prospective} = NCLL_{Credible\ Lower\ Layer}^{Historical} *$$

$$\frac{PEBEL_{Non-Credible\ Higher\ Layer}^{Prospective}}{PEBEL_{Credible\ Lower\ Layer}^{Prospective}}$$

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$$\left( \frac{PEBEL_{Non-Credible\ Higher\ Layer}^{Historical}}{PEBEL_{Credible\ Lower\ Layer}^{Historical}} \right) * \left( \frac{PEBEL_{Non-Credible\ Higher\ Layer}^{Prospective}}{PEBEL_{Non-Credible\ Higher\ Layer}^{Historical.Annualized}} \right)$$

# Summary

## PEBELS = Property Large Loss Exposure Segmentation

- Only game in town
- Quantifies messy non-linearities
- Multiple applications
  - Indications
  - Catastrophe Modeling
  - Risk Segmentation



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# Historical vs. Prospective

## Selecting exposure profile for the application?

### Prospective (current inforce)

- Catastrophe modeling
- Reinsurance quotes

### Historical (“earned” over experience period)

- Loss ratio ratemaking
- Revised per risk reinsurance exposure rating

# Historical vs. Prospective

## Loss ratio ratemaking examples

- 1) State in run-off scenario
- 2) State newly entered scenario

## Both scenarios lead to skewed state indications

Even small shifts will distort indications

# Credibility

## Indications example

Layer experience to maximize credibility

## Complements

$$1) \text{ } NCLL_{\$0.1M \text{ to } \$0.5M}^{\text{Historical}} * \frac{PEBEL_{\$0.5M \text{ to } \text{infinity}}^{\text{Historical}}}{PEBEL_{\$0.1M \text{ to } \$0.5M}^{\text{Historical}}}$$

$$2) \text{ } (\text{Direct EP}) * (\text{Reins. Rate}) * (\text{Reinsurer's PLR})$$



# Appendix

## Misc. Topics

- Exposure curve considerations
- Data limitations and NLE
- Methods in common usage