



KatRisk



Flood Modeling and Reserving Considerations

9/17/2019

Who We Are

KatRisk is an independently owned catastrophe modelling business formed in 2012. We are located in the United States and Germany representing a combined >100 years of catastrophe modelling experience.

We service clients ranging in size from multinational industry leaders to super regional specialty carriers primarily within the insurance and financial services industries including:

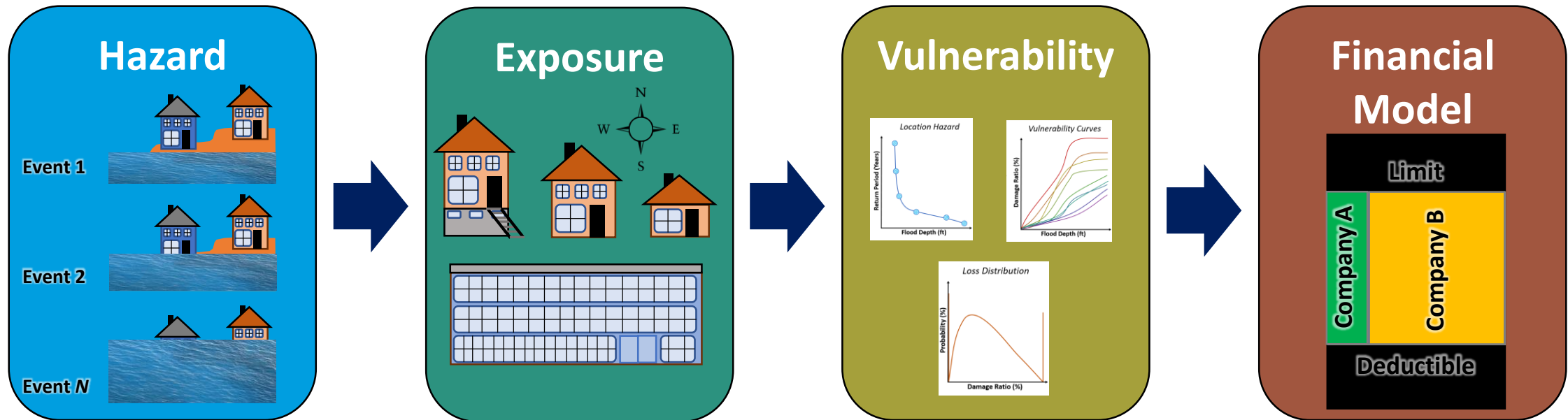
- Three of the largest four worldwide reinsurance brokers
- Two of the top four worldwide non-life reinsurers
- Four of the top 15 worldwide property insurers
- The United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
 - National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
- North Carolina Rate Board
- Total clients: ~45



Questions

1. How are “Catastrophe Models” composed and what is different about flood vs other hazard models?
2. What are the major sources of uncertainty in a cat model?
3. How are cat models used for reserving before and after an event (Case Study with Hurricane Florence)

What is Catastrophe Modelling



What is Catastrophe Modelling

Hazard



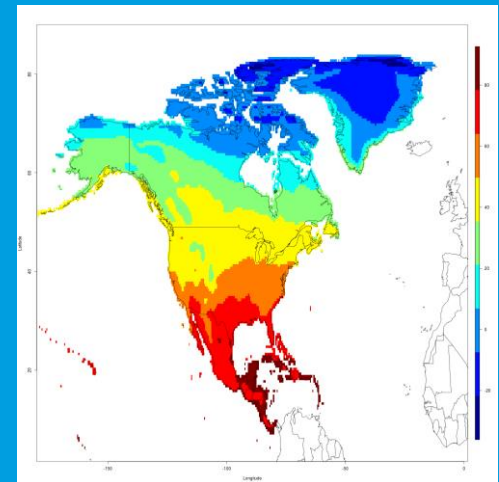
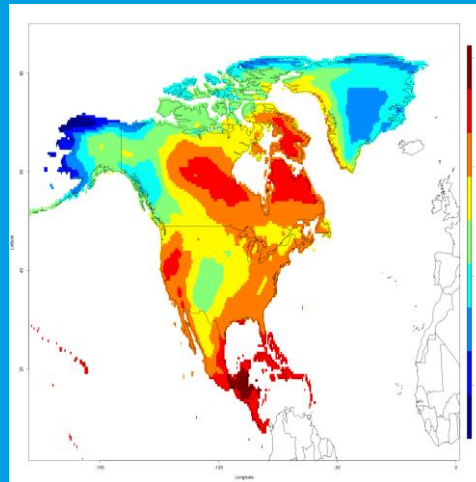
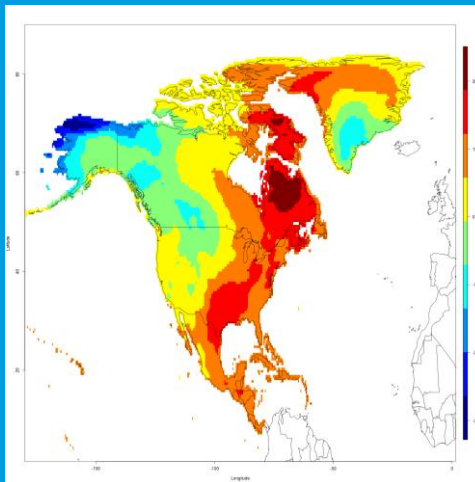
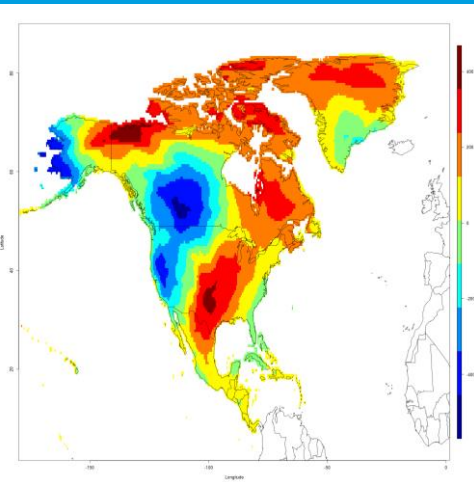
Create stochastic inputs, sub-daily temperature, precipitation, etc. for thousands of years

Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

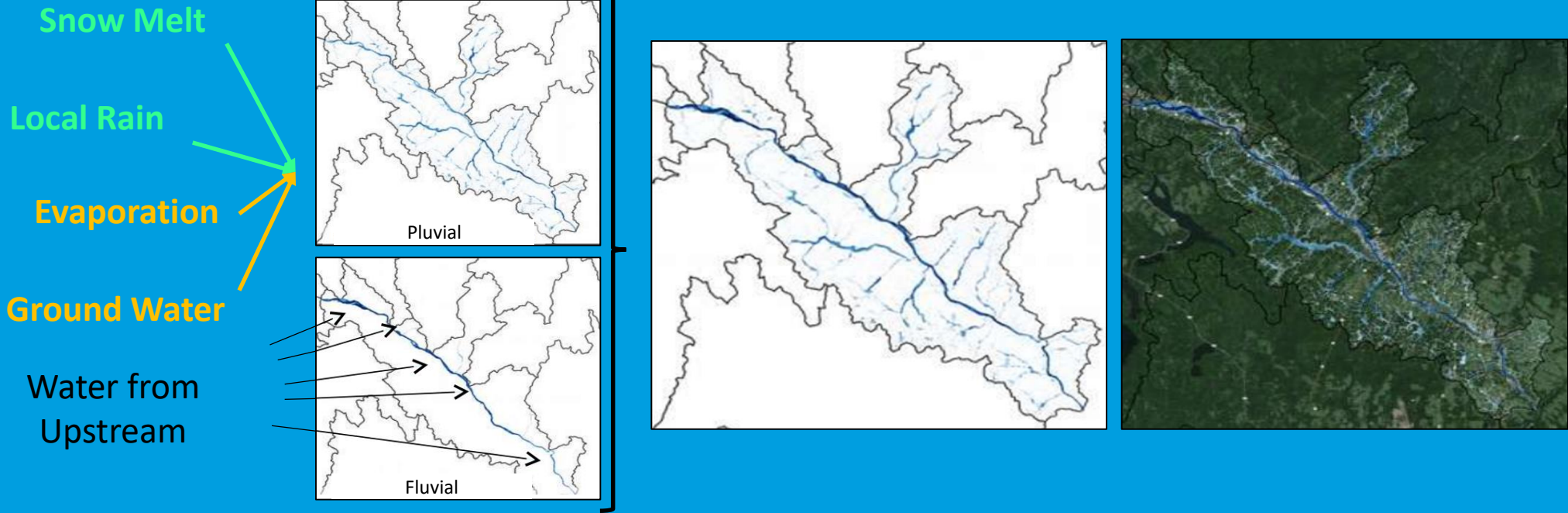
Day N



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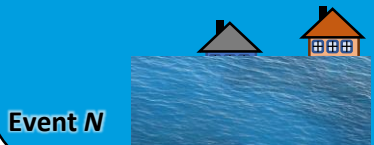


Daily inputs drive hydraulic/Hydrologic models, resulting in thousands to millions of flood pluvial and fluvial events

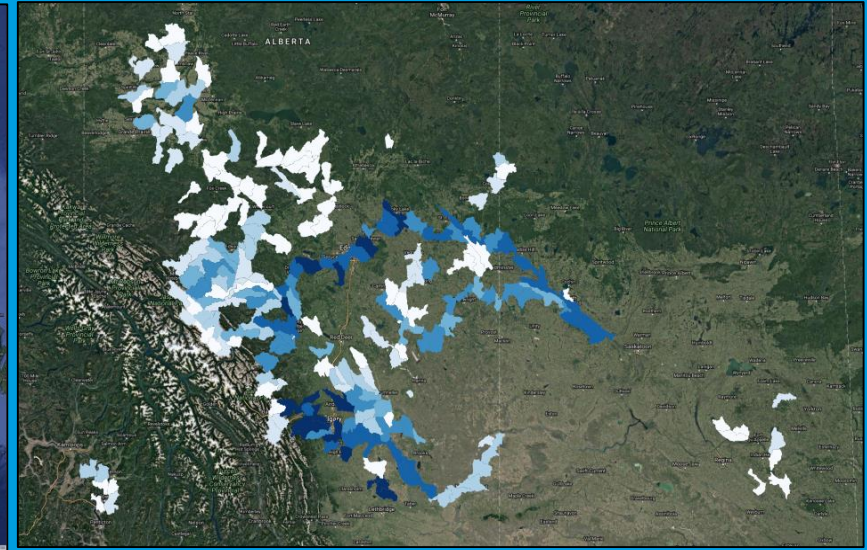
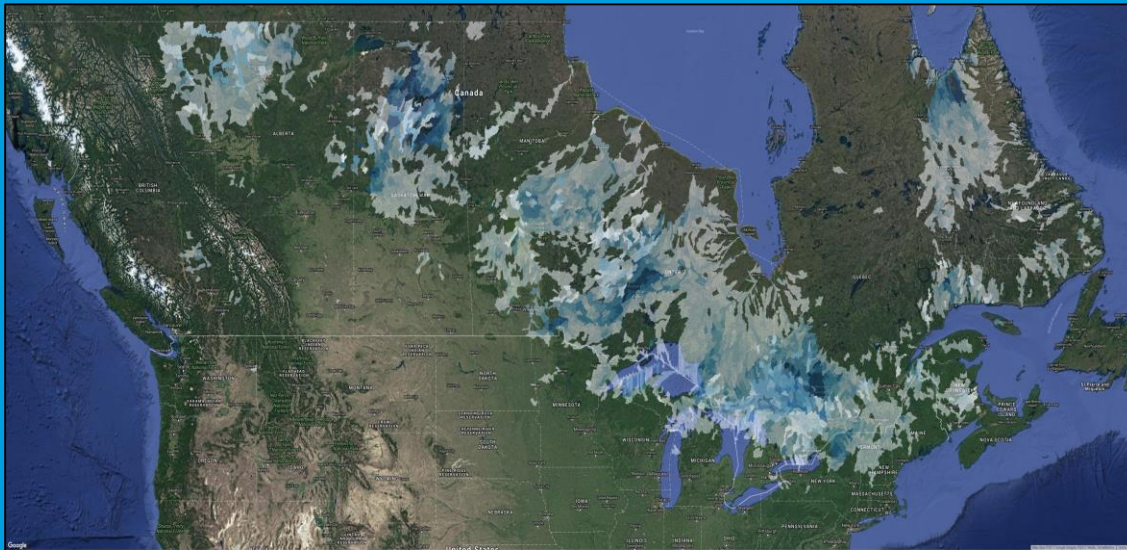


What is Catastrophe Modelling

Hazard



Generate Events from Simulations



What is Catastrophe Modelling



The buildings being insured can have many different features that matter for different types of hazards

Flood

- Number of Floors
- Year Built
- Presence of Basement
- First Floor Elevation
- Etc.

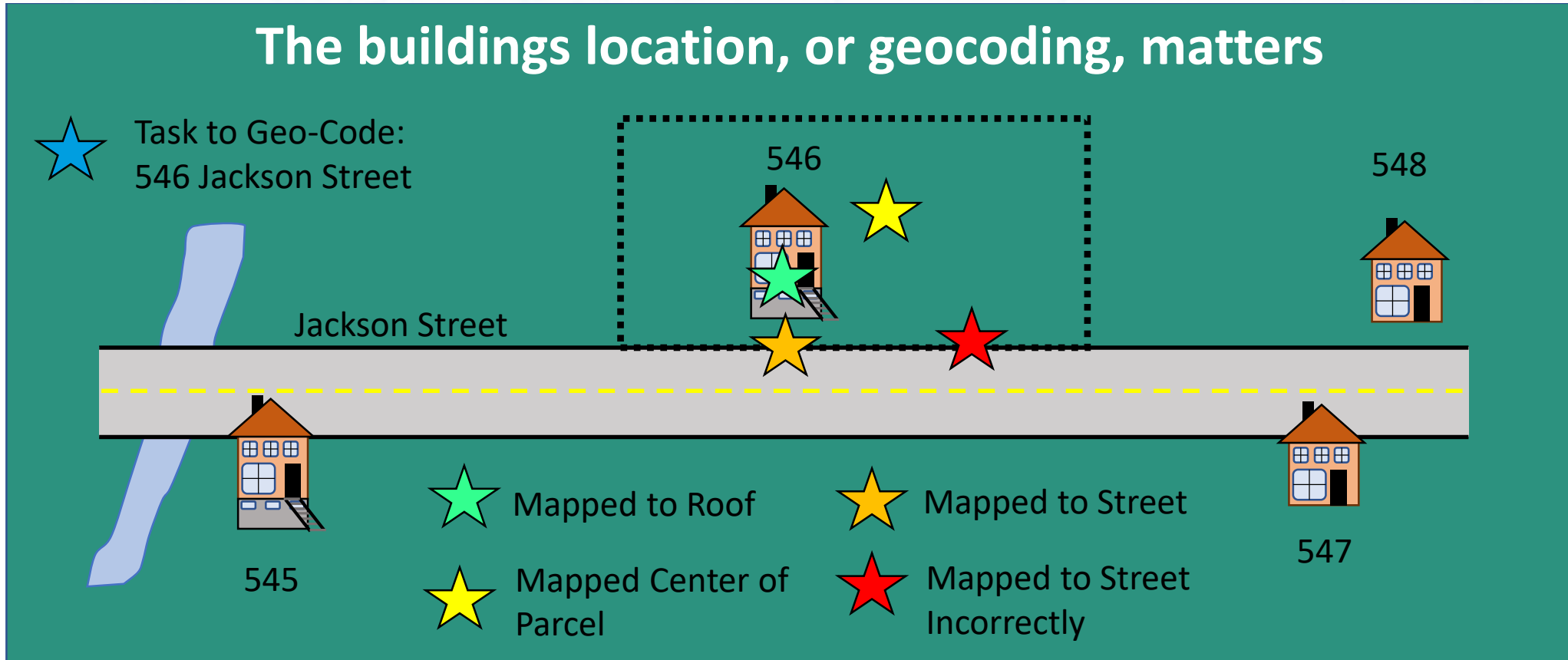
Earthquake

- Number of Floors
- Year Built
- Building Frame Type
- Wall Anchor Type
- Etc.

Windstorm

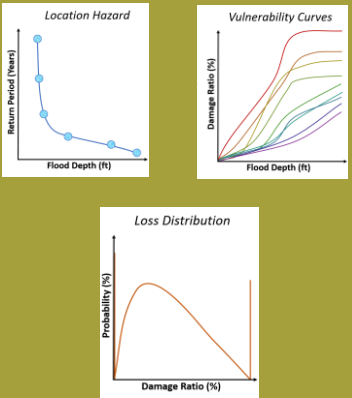
- Number of Floors
- Year Built
- Roof Slope
- Roof Anchor Type
- Etc.

What is Catastrophe Modelling

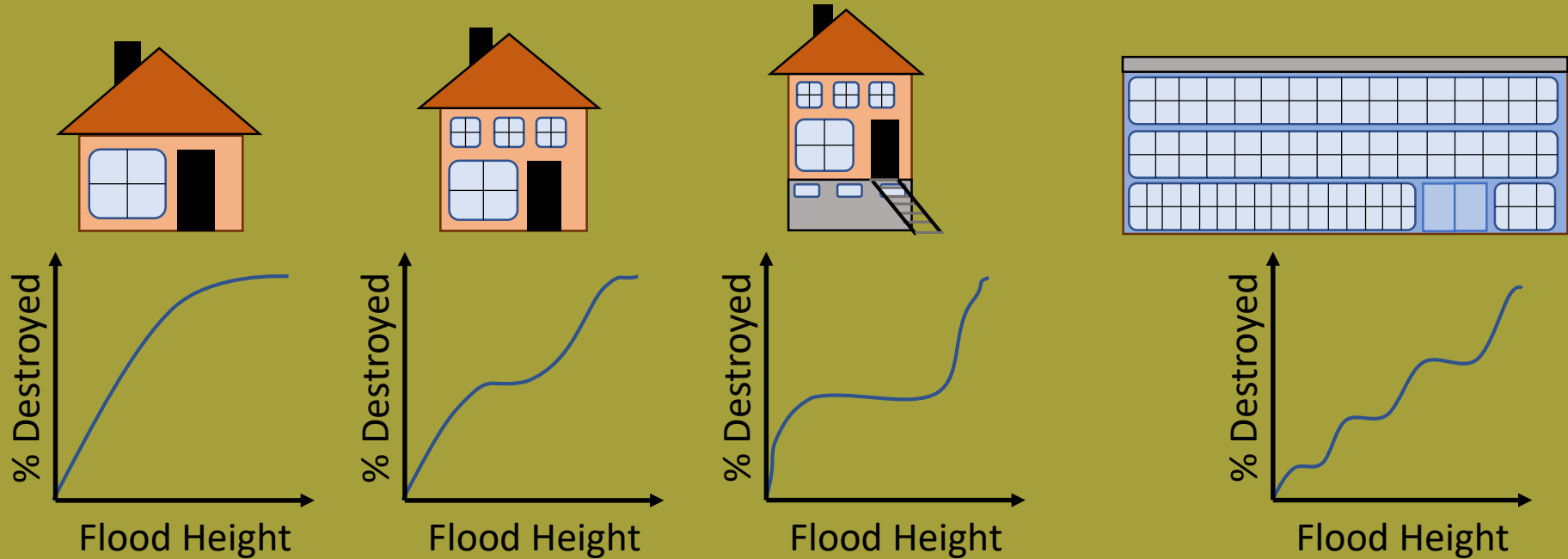


What is Catastrophe Modelling

Vulnerability



Vulnerability tells us how damaged a structure will be given a hazard (ex/ 1 vs 2 feet of flood)



What is Catastrophe Modelling

Financial Model



The financial model can be as straightforward or as complex as required

Single Location

- Limit
- Deductible

Single Location

- Limit
- Deductible
- Coverage Deductible
- Earthquake Deductible
- Windstorm Deductible

Portfolio with Reinsurance

- Limits
- Deductibles
- Coverage Deductibles
- Earthquake Deductibles
- Windstorm Deductibles
- Site Limits
- Site Deductibles
- Blanket Deductibles
- Quota Share Reinsurance Treaties
- Etc.

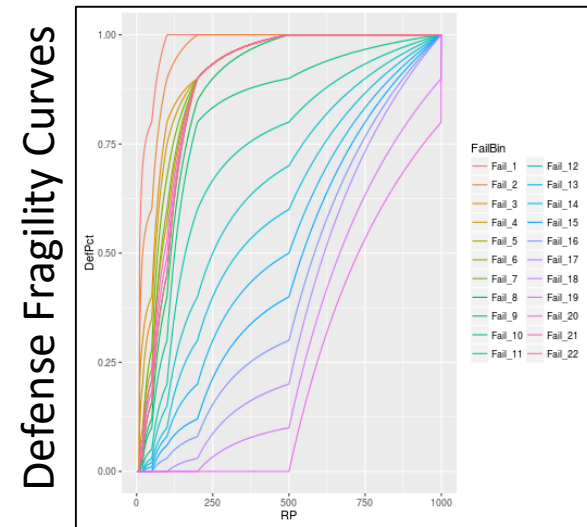
What is Catastrophe Modelling

Loss Model (Defense, Vulnerability, Uncertainty)

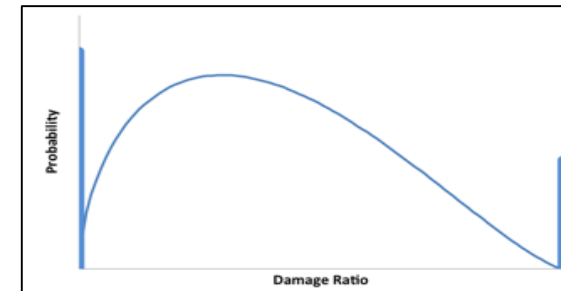
1. Determine Defense
2. Map Vulnerability Curves
3. Sample Vulnerability Loss Curve

KatRisk Vulnerability Modifiers

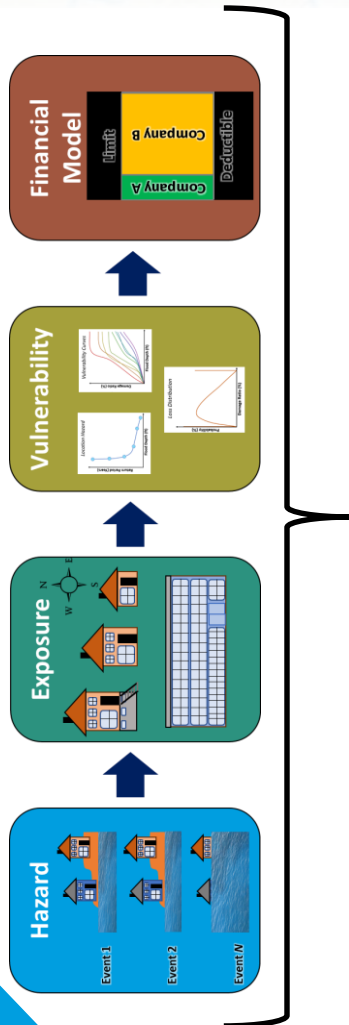
First Flood Elevation		Unit Start/End Floor		Basement Only	
Occupancy	Construction	Number of Stories	Basement	Mobile Home Tie Down	Finished Basement
Residential	Wood	1	Yes	Yes	Yes
Commercial	Masonry	2	No	No	No
Industrial	Concrete	3	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Auto	Steel	>3			
Unknown	Light Metal	Unknown			
	Mobile Home				
	Unknown				



4-Parameter Beta Distribution



What is Catastrophe Modelling



Event Loss Table (ELT)

Event ID	Loss
1574425	51,235
1574625	65,412
1000215	51,581
988878	0
...	
TOTAL	\$10B

Loss Statistics

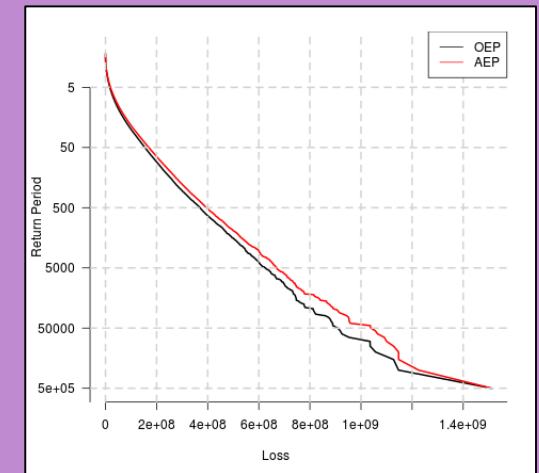
Average Annual Loss (AAL)
[aka Pure Premium]

Assuming 10k years of events:

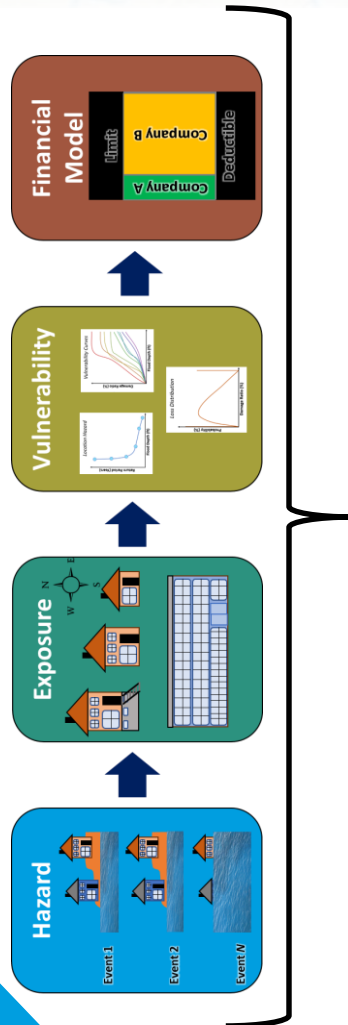
$$AAL = \frac{\$10B}{10k}$$

\$10,000

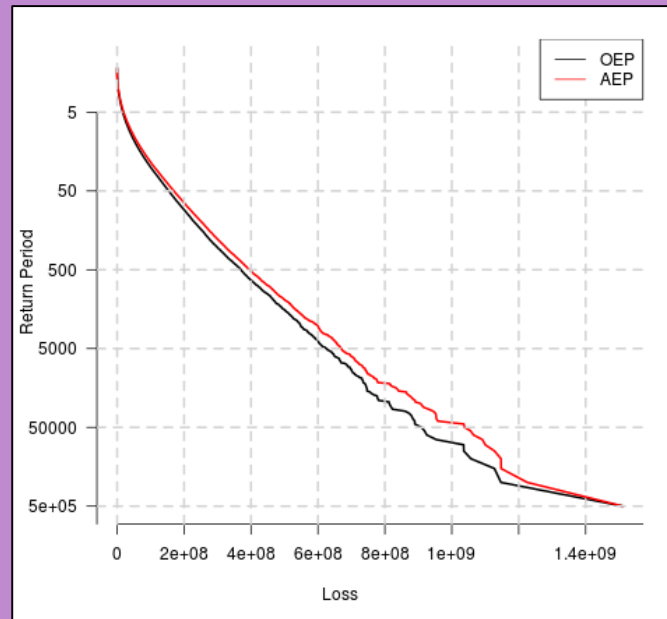
Exceedance Probability Curve (EP)



What is Catastrophe Modelling



Loss Statistics - OEP vs AEP



OEP

Occurrence Exceedance Probability

- ❑ If you have, say 500k years of events:
 - ❑ Take the event with the highest loss every year and order the losses

AEP

Aggregate Exceedance Probability

- ❑ If you have, say 500k years of events:
 - ❑ Sum all the events for each year and order the losses

Flood vs. Other Hazards?

Resolution

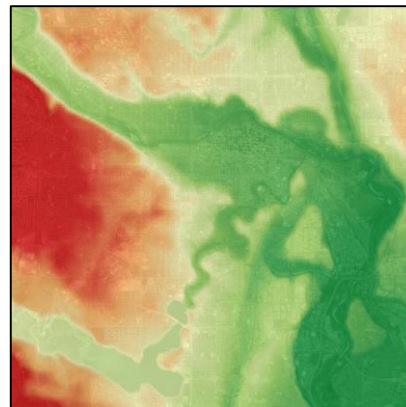
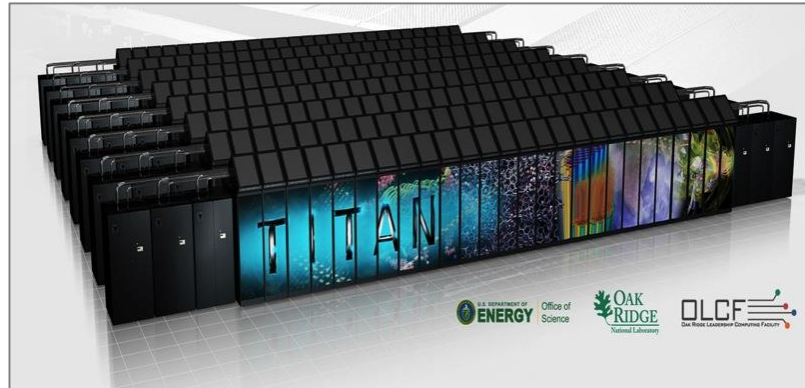
- Compute Time
- Run Time
- Geospatial Accuracy

Data Availability

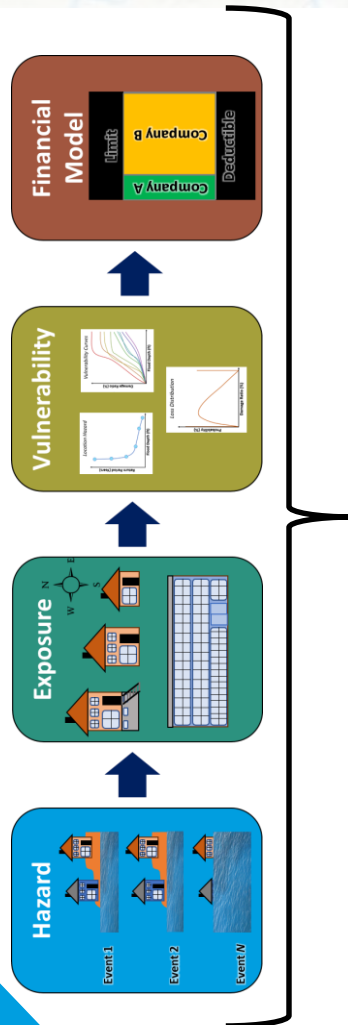
- High Resolution Input Data
- Historic Loss Data

Demand

- NFIP



Sources of Loss Uncertainty



- **Hazard**

- **Input Data**

- Resolution (Temporal and Spatial)
 - Accuracy

- **Historic Calibration**

- **Simulation**

- Number of Sims (Convergence)
 - Completeness

- **Defenses**

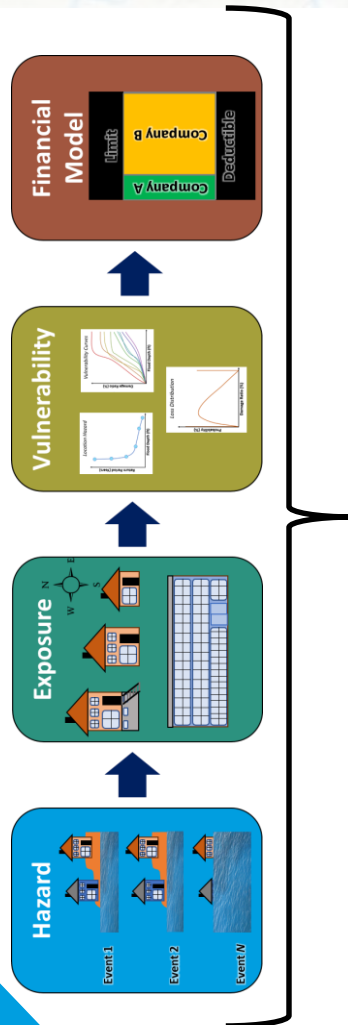
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- **Vulnerability**

- Accuracy
 - Catastrophic/unexpected failure

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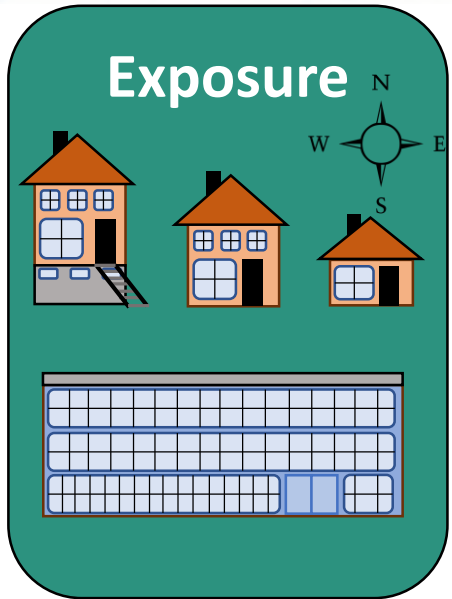
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Location Uncertainty



Flood is highly variable, roads flood first!

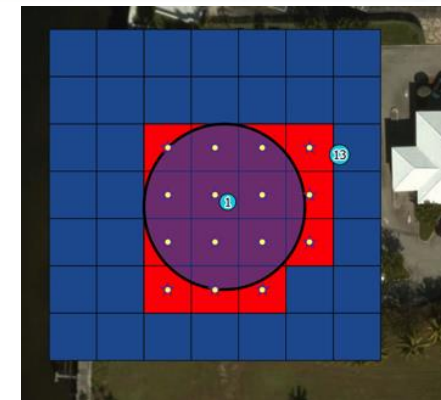


Location Uncertainty



Tabular

- Specify:
 - Geometry (Ellipse or Rectangle)
 - Length
 - Width
 - Rotation



Spatial

- .GMT Vector:
 - Hand drawn or purchased footprints
 - Must have an attribute which links to locations within an imported exposure file

Multiple Calculation Modes over each Footprint

Minimum, Maximum, Mean, Inverted Loss

Location Uncertainty

Loss differences based on building footprint loss averaging methodology

ITEMID	TIV	IF GU AAL (\$)									Pct Difference from Point							
		Point	MIN		MEAN		Inverted		MAX		MIN		MEAN		Inverted		MAX	
			Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT	Tabular	GMT
1	3,300,000	145.90	44.90	44.90	111.14	147.52	115.28	177.39	194.15	372.57	-69%	-69%	-24%	1%	-21%	22%	33%	155%
2	540,000	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	7.06	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
3	540,000	7.54	7.46	7.46	7.55	7.55	7.52	7.53	8.22	8.22	-1%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	9%
4	540,000	7.38	7.29	7.29	7.38	7.38	7.34	7.35	8.37	8.05	-1%	-1%	0%	0%	-1%	0%	13%	9%
5	540,000	8.36	7.33	7.33	7.84	7.84	7.81	7.81	8.45	8.45	-12%	-12%	-6%	-6%	-7%	-7%	1%	1%
6	540,000	7.06	7.06	7.06	15.87	14.51	16.02	14.68	23.03	23.03	0%	0%	125%	106%	127%	108%	226%	226%
7	540,000	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	23.15	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
8	540,000	14.52	7.05	14.52	14.52	17.27	14.71	17.32	23.15	23.15	-51%	0%	0%	19%	1%	19%	59%	59%
9	540,000	7.14	7.10	7.14	8.01	7.14	8.19	7.14	14.86	7.14	-1%	0%	12%	0%	15%	0%	108%	0%
10	540,000	6.99	6.81	6.81	6.89	6.89	6.88	6.88	7.86	7.86	-3%	-3%	-1%	-1%	-2%	-2%	12%	12%
11	1,070,000	17.93	5.24	5.24	16.64	16.64	7.44	7.44	118.90	118.90	-71%	-71%	-7%	-7%	-59%	-59%	563%	563%
12	2,150,000	18.46	18.46	18.35	18.46	18.45	18.46	18.47	18.46	18.85	0%	-1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
13	660,000	8.69	4.08	4.08	6.29	6.29	1.39	1.39	8.69	8.69	-53%	-53%	-28%	-28%	-84%	-84%	0%	0%
SUM	12040000	280.18	152.99	160.39	250.8	287.69	241.25	303.61	464.35	635.12	-45%	-43%	-10%	3%	-14%	8%	66%	127%

Location Uncertainty

No Spatial Footprints
 Expo Import Time: 49 mins
 Analysis Time: 1 hr
 LC: \$0.28

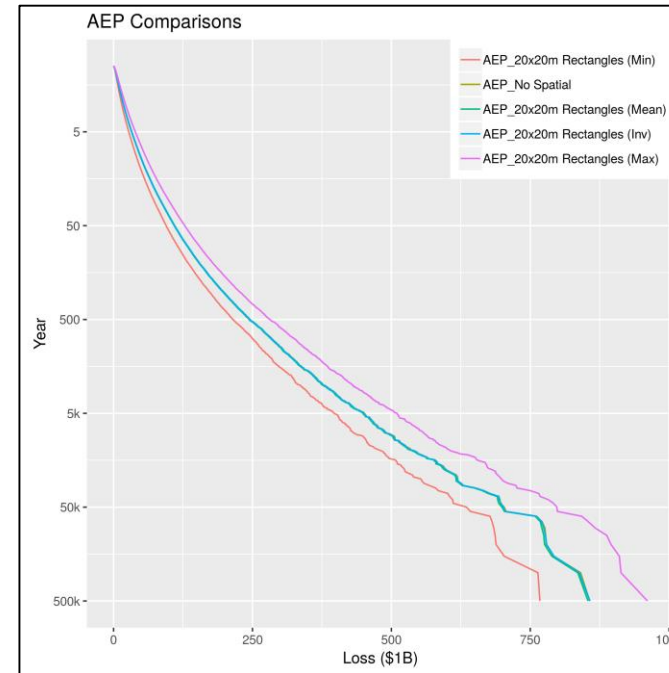
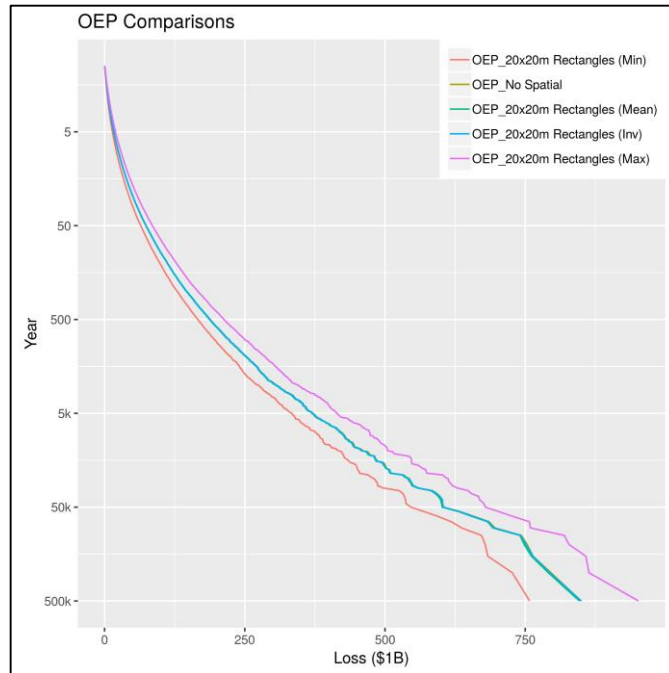
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 Expo Import Time: 3.7 hrs
 Analysis Time: 1 hr
 LC: \$0.23

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 Analysis Time: 1 hr
 LC: \$0.27

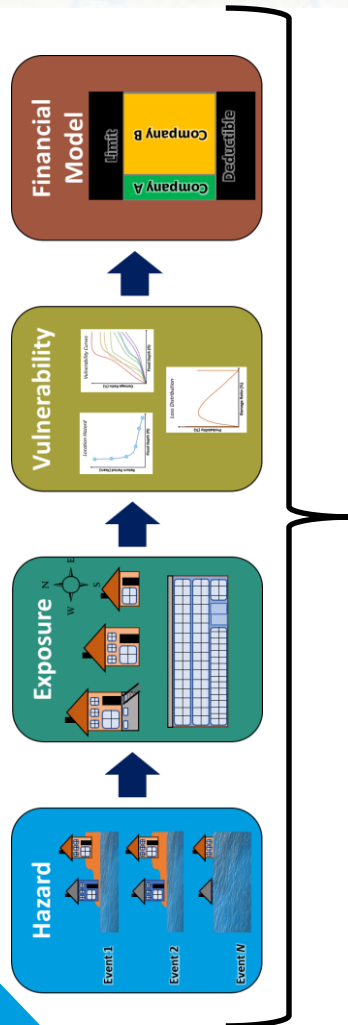
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 LC: \$0.28

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 Expo Import Time: 3.7 hrs
 Analysis Time: 1 hr
 LC: \$0.33

11M
Locations
NAIF_wDS
10 Samples
25 Processors



Sources of Loss Uncertainty



- **Hazard**

- **Input Data**

- Resolution (Temporal and Spatial)
 - Accuracy

- **Historic Calibration**

- **Simulation**

- Number of Sims (Convergence)
 - Completeness

★ **Defenses** ✓

- **Geocoding** ✓

- **Vulnerability**

- Accuracy
 - Catastrophic/unexpected failure

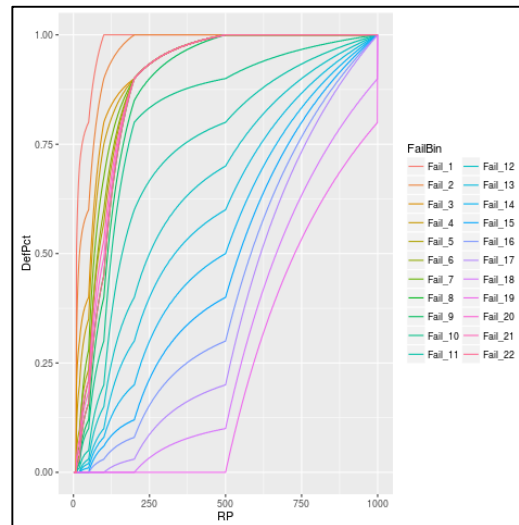
- **Contract Evaluation**

Defense Uncertainty

Loss Model (Defense)

1. For each location/event
(Based on user input or FEMA/USACE dam and levee location information)
 - a) Determine if location is defended from pluvial and/or fluvial

Defense Fragility Curves

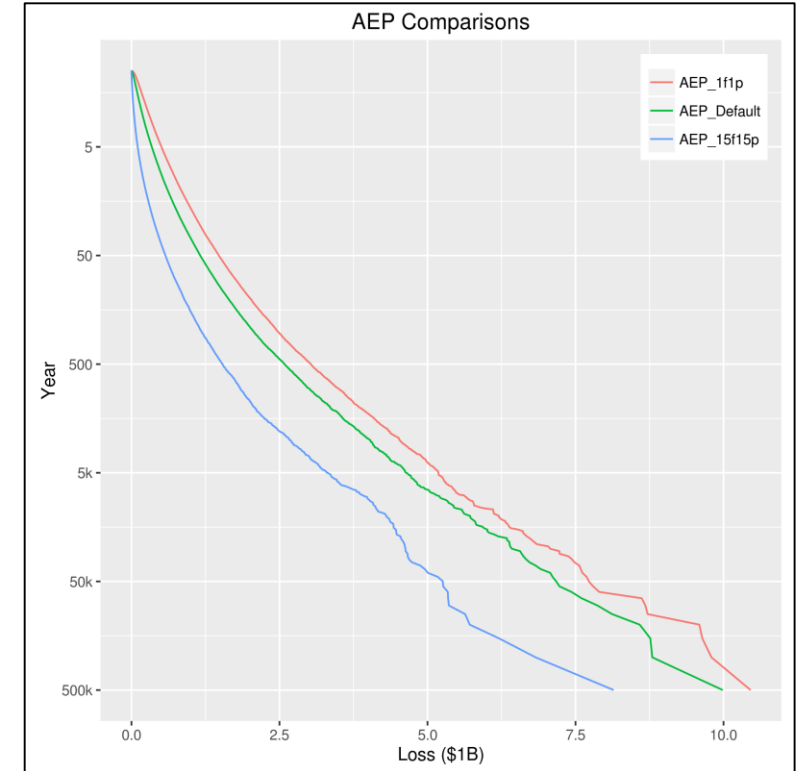
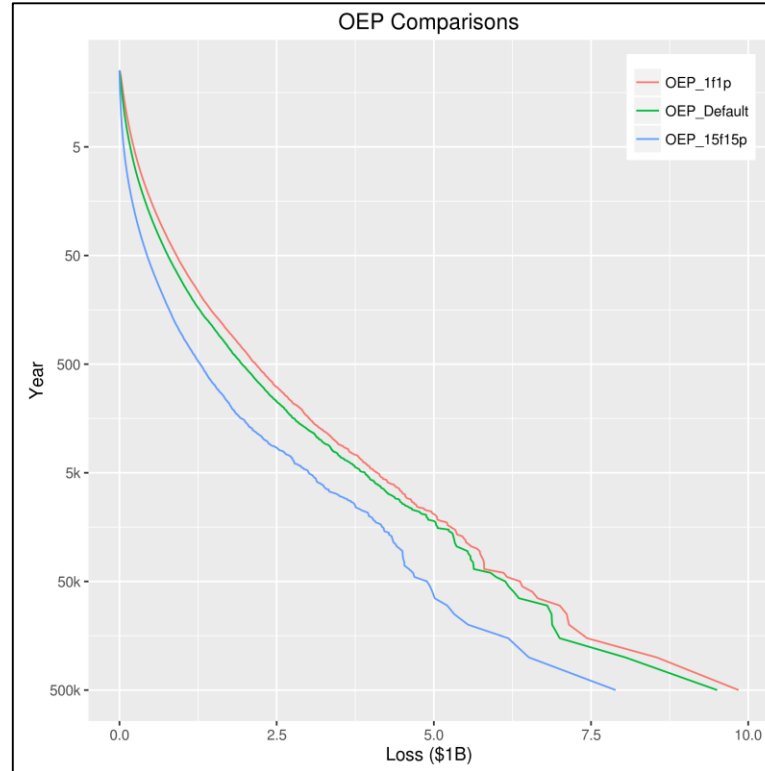


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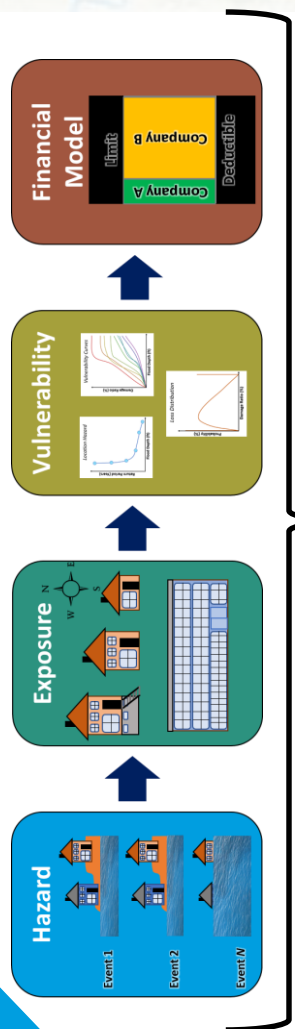
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20	\$ 0.242	\$ 0.472	\$ 0.575
50	\$ 0.439	\$ 0.770	\$ 0.908
100	\$ 0.641	\$ 1.053	\$ 1.222
200	\$ 0.871	\$ 1.411	\$ 1.599
500	\$ 1.285	\$ 1.948	\$ 2.169
1,000	\$ 1.664	\$ 2.419	\$ 2.669
2,000	\$ 2.113	\$ 2.997	\$ 3.228
5,000	\$ 3.009	\$ 3.903	\$ 4.098
500,000	\$ 7.891	\$ 9.505	\$ 9.847

RP	AEP (\$1B)		
	15f15p	Default	1f1p
10	\$ 0.201	\$ 0.538	\$ 0.752
20	\$ 0.334	\$ 0.777	\$ 1.037
50	\$ 0.573	\$ 1.161	\$ 1.476
100	\$ 0.808	\$ 1.510	\$ 1.868
200	\$ 1.082	\$ 1.920	\$ 2.325
500	\$ 1.537	\$ 2.586	\$ 3.030
1,000	\$ 1.941	\$ 3.159	\$ 3.650
2,000	\$ 2.466	\$ 3.813	\$ 4.328
5,000	\$ 3.311	\$ 4.640	\$ 5.183
500,000	\$ 8.144	\$ 9.986	\$ 10.458

GU AAL	AAL (\$1B)		
	15f15p	Default	1f1p
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Sources of Loss Uncertainty



Hazard



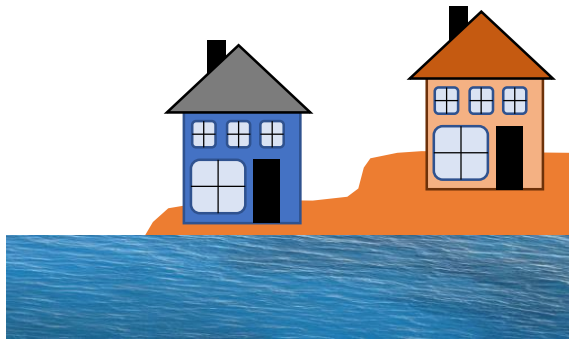
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 - Accuracy
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- Simulation
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 - Completeness
- Defenses 

Geocoding

Vulnerability

- Accuracy
- Catastrophic/unexpected failure
- Contract Evaluation

Climate Uncertainty



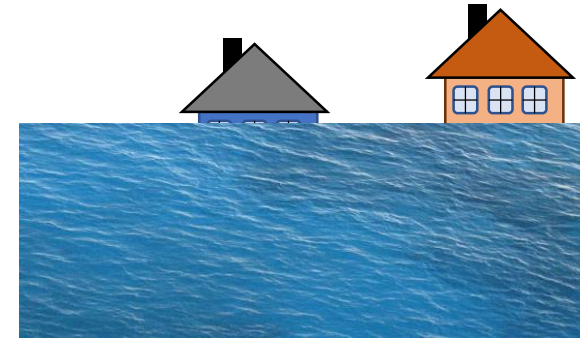
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(Currently Available)
Change Global Sea Level
Increases/Decreases loss due to TC Storm Surge



Current Day Mean Sea Level

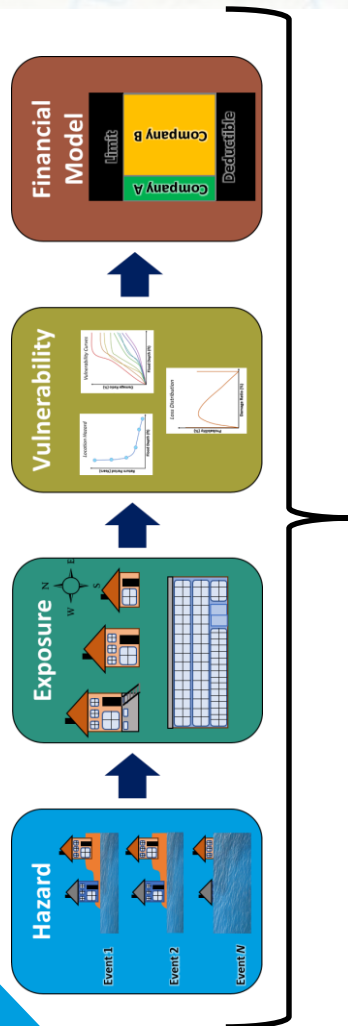
(Near Future)
Change Local Sea Level
Raster Lookup, mean sea level change can be different by location



+ X cm Current Day Mean Sea Level

(Near Future)
Inland Flood Frequency Modification
Increases/Decreases loss due to Inland Flood

Sources of Loss Uncertainty



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- **Historic Calibration**

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- **Geocoding** ✓

- **Vulnerability**

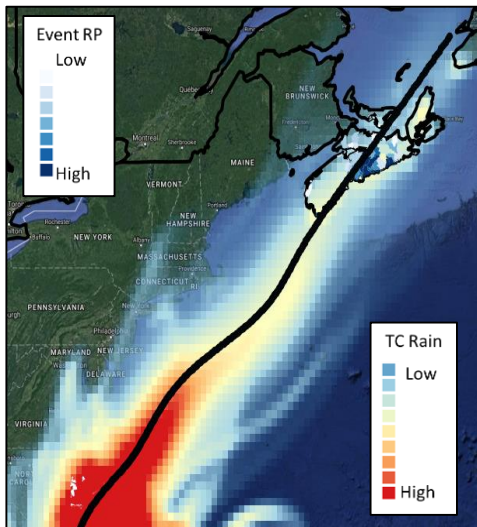
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- ★ **Contract Evaluation** ✓

Contract Evaluation Uncertainty

Contract Evaluation

- Multi-Peril Inuring Order
- Explicit Multi-Peril Loss Statistics



Add Settings

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Choose Peril Order
 Primary Wind Primary Flood

Select Wind and Flood Combination Method
 Wind=Wind, Flood = (1 - Wind) * Flood
 Wind = Wind / max(1, Wind + Flood), Flood = Flood / max(1, Wind + Flood)
 Wind=Wind, Flood = min(Flood, 1 - Wind)

Select Storm Surge and IF Combination Method
Max(Surge,IF) + % Min(Surge,IF)

Select Hazard Type
 Stochastic Historical Event Exposed Limit

Samples

2 4 10 20 40 50 100 200 250 500 1,000

Demand Surge
 Include

Detailed Output By Event
 Site Account Policy Policy Layer Postcode County State
 Country

Analysis Settings Name

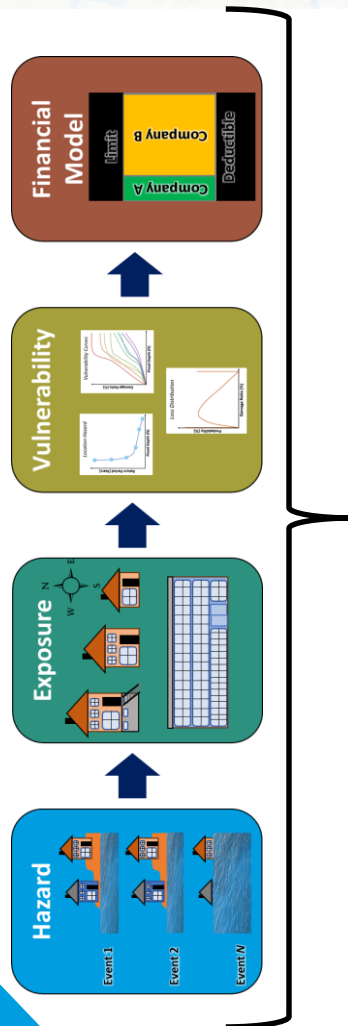
Correlation Modeling

Combining Perils

Analysis Type

Variable/Repeatable Sampling

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• Geocoding ✓

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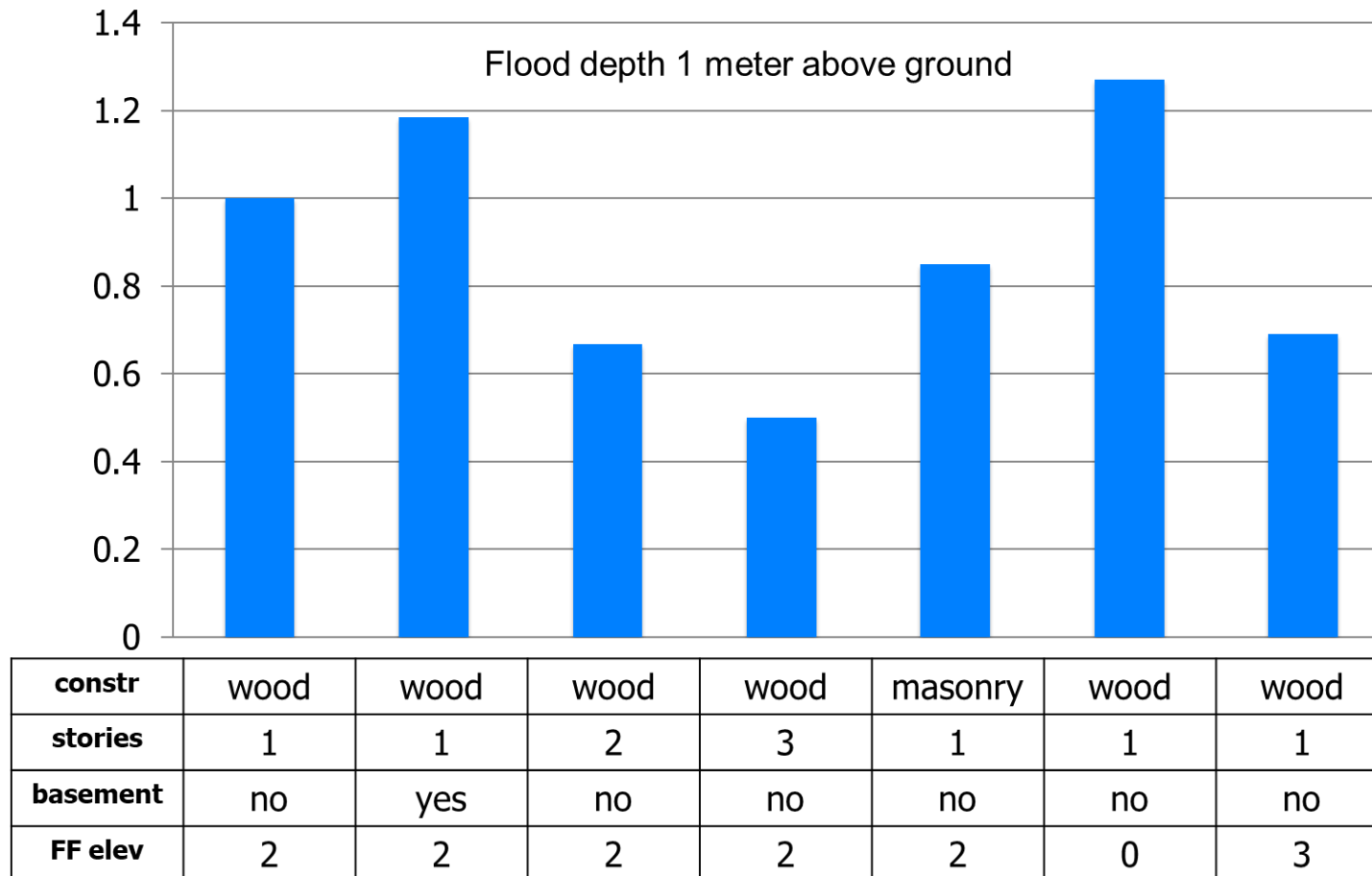
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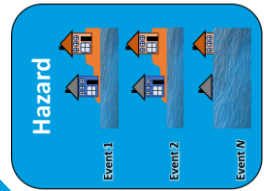
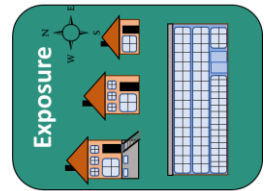
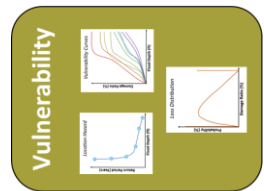
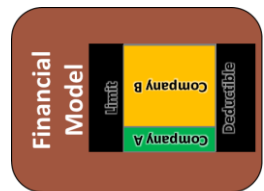
• Contract Evaluation ✓

Vulnerability Uncertainty

Note that First Floor Elevation has the largest impact of all factors as all floods of depth < the first floor elevation have vulnerability curves with very small Mean Damage Ratios



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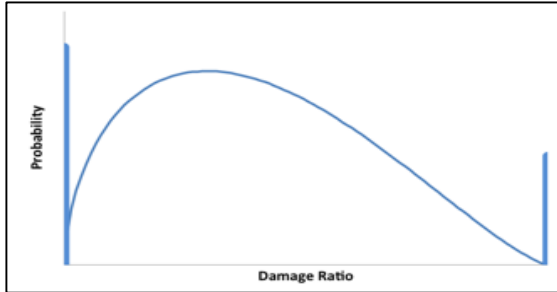
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Sampling Uncertainty

4-Parameter Beta Distribution



All Other Uncertainty

- Fully repeatable MDR sampling (2 to 1k samples)
- Accounts for total loss and zero loss, and in between

Perils	GlobalCorrelation	SpatialCorrelation
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Select Wind and Flood Combination Method
 Wind=Wind, Flood = (1 - Wind) * Flood
 Wind = Wind / max(1, Wind + Flood), Flood = Flood / max(1, Wind + Flood)
 Wind=Wind, Flood = min(Flood, 1 - Wind)

Select Storm Surge and IF Combination Method
Max(Surge,IF) + 0 % Min(Surge,IF)

Select Hazard Type
 Stochastic Historical Event Exposed Limit

Samples
Slider: 2 to 1,000 (set to 10)

Demand Surge
 Include

Detailed Output By Event
 Site Account Policy Policy Layer Postcode County State
 Country

Analysis Settings Name
[Text Field]

Save Close

Correlation Modeling

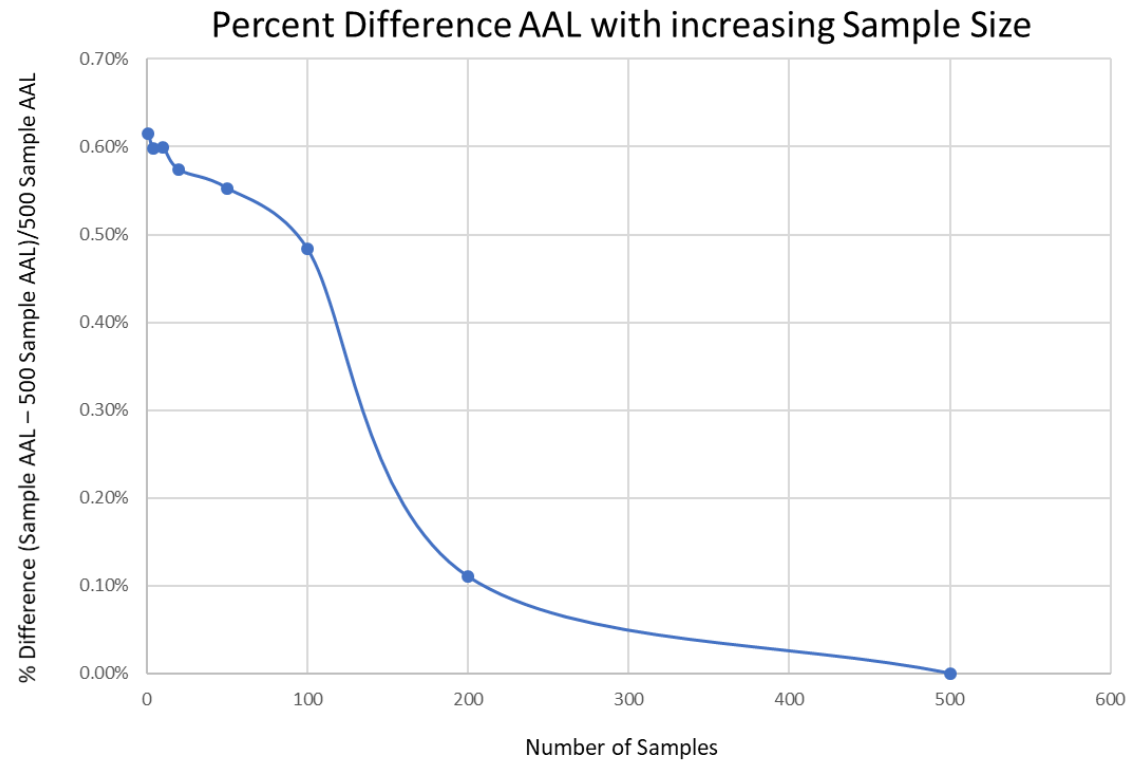
Combining Perils

Analysis Type

Variable/Repeatable Sampling

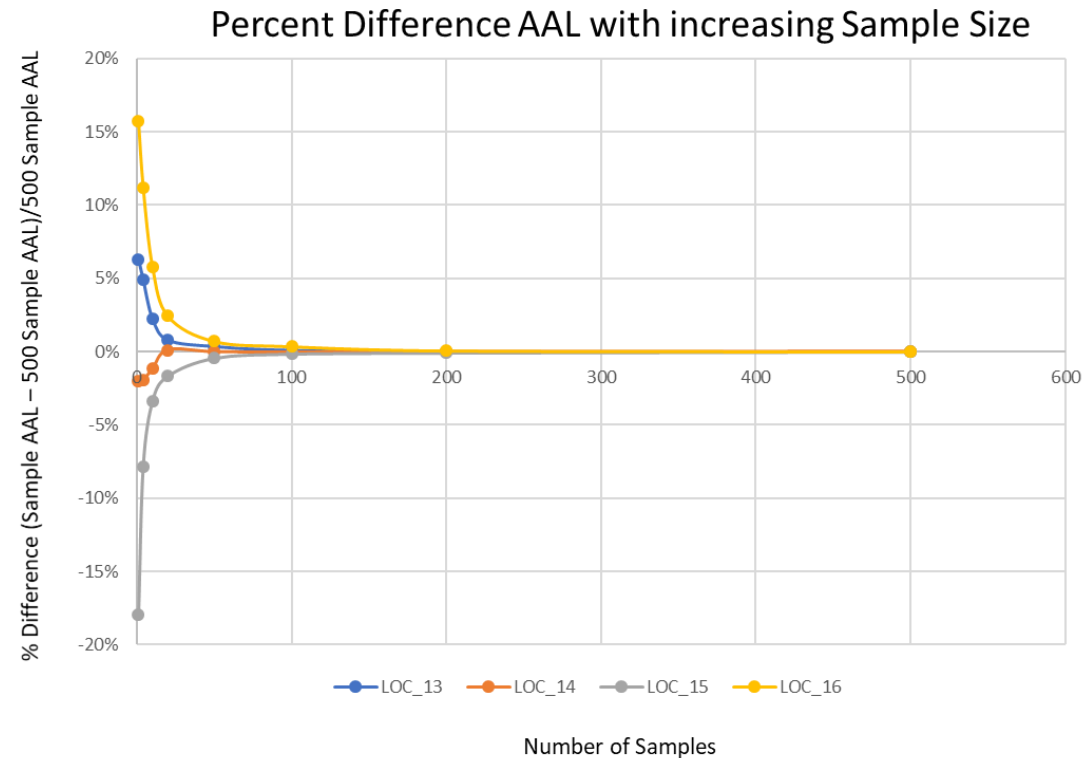
Sampling Uncertainty

20 Location Portfolio (Mix of very low and very high AALs)



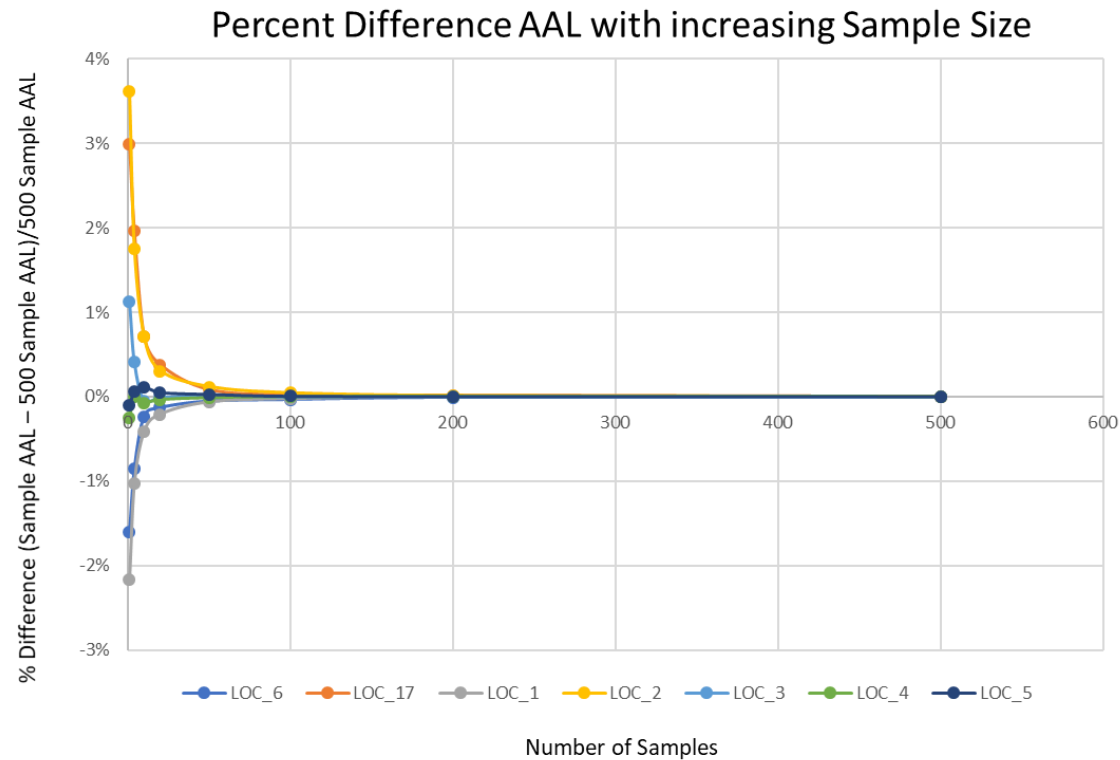
Sampling Uncertainty

4 Locations with very low AALs



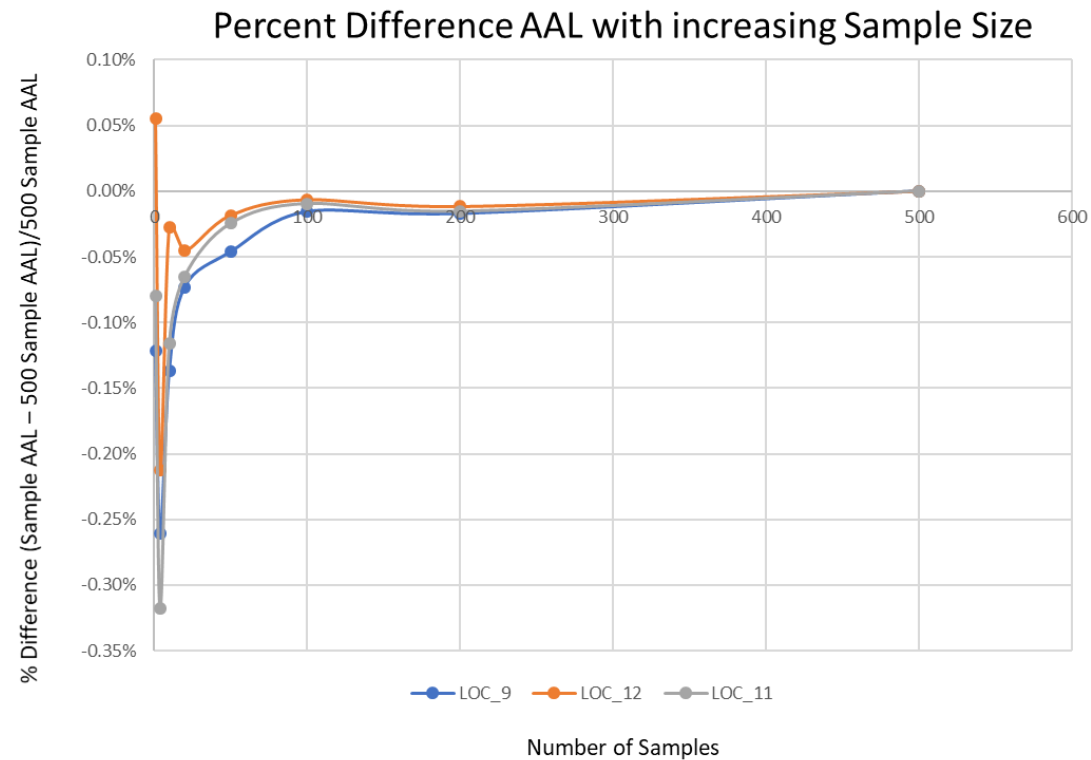
Sampling Uncertainty

8 Locations with low AALs



Sampling Uncertainty

3 Locations with medium/high AALs



Sampling/Correlation Uncertainty

Also allows one to increase or decrease correlation for globally for an event, or locally by event using an e-folding distance of 8km

The screenshot shows the 'Add Settings' dialog box with the following sections and settings:

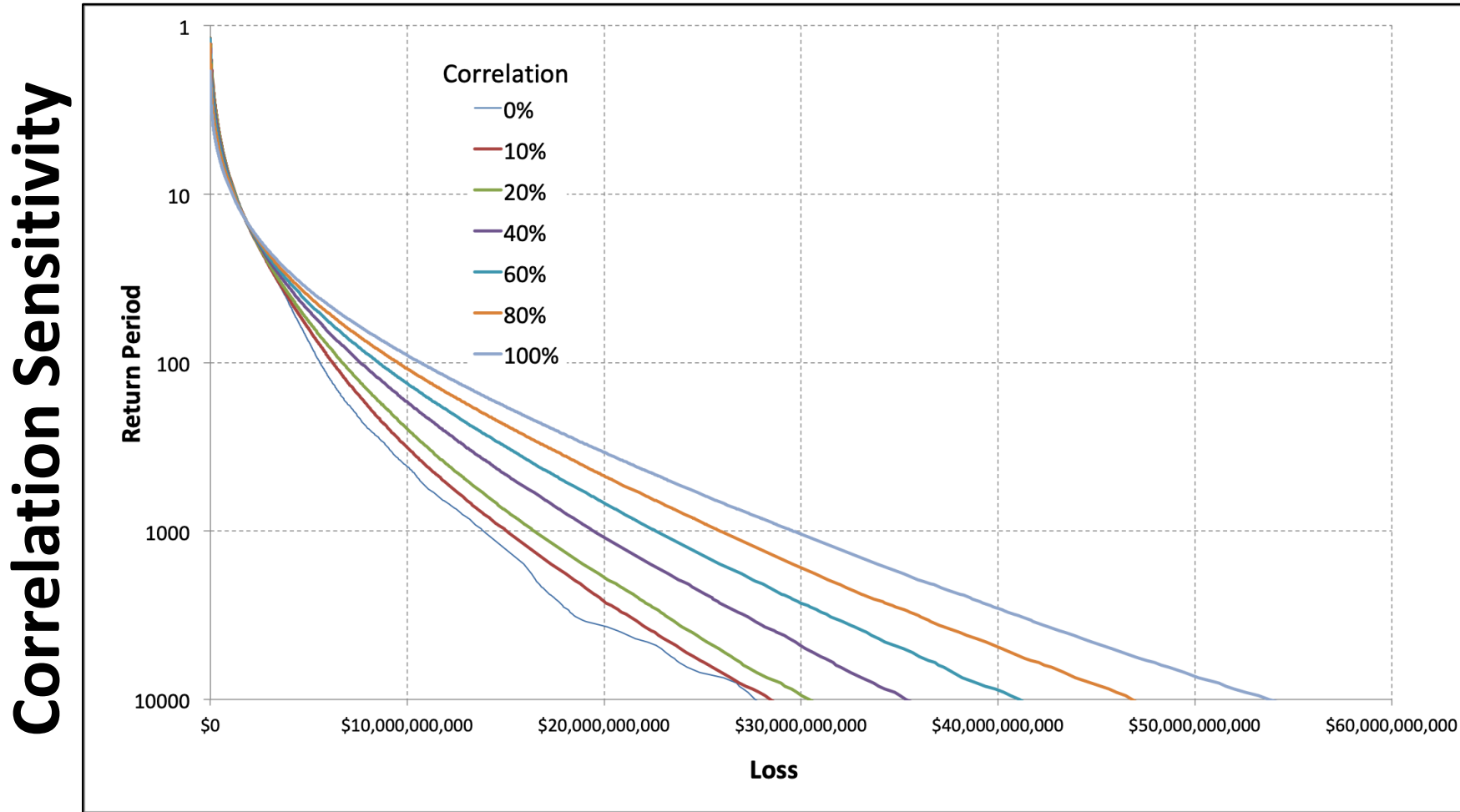
- Perils:** A table with columns for Perils, GlobalCorrelation, and SpatialCorrelation.

Perils	GlobalCorrelation	SpatialCorrelation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NATC	20	20
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NASS	20	20
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NAIF	10	20
- Choose Peril Order:** Radio buttons for Primary Wind and Primary Flood.
- Select Wind and Flood Combination Method:** Three radio button options for combining wind and flood hazards.
- Select Storm Surge and IF Combination Method:** A text input field for Max(Surge,IF) + 0 % Min(Surge,IF).
- Select Hazard Type:** Radio buttons for Stochastic, Historical, Event, and Exposed Limit.
- Samples:** A slider control ranging from 2 to 1,000, currently set at 10.
- Demand Surge:** A checked checkbox for 'Include'.
- Detailed Output By Event:** A list of checkboxes for Site, Account, Policy, Policy Layer, Postcode, County, State, and Country.
- Analysis Settings Name:** A text input field.
- Buttons:** 'Save' and 'Close' buttons at the bottom right.

Annotations on the right side of the dialog box:

- Correlation Modeling:** Points to the GlobalCorrelation and SpatialCorrelation input fields.
- Combining Perils:** Points to the 'Select Wind and Flood Combination Method' section.
- Analysis Type:** Points to the 'Select Hazard Type' section.
- Variable/Repeatable Sampling:** Points to the 'Samples' slider control.

Sampling/Correlation Uncertainty

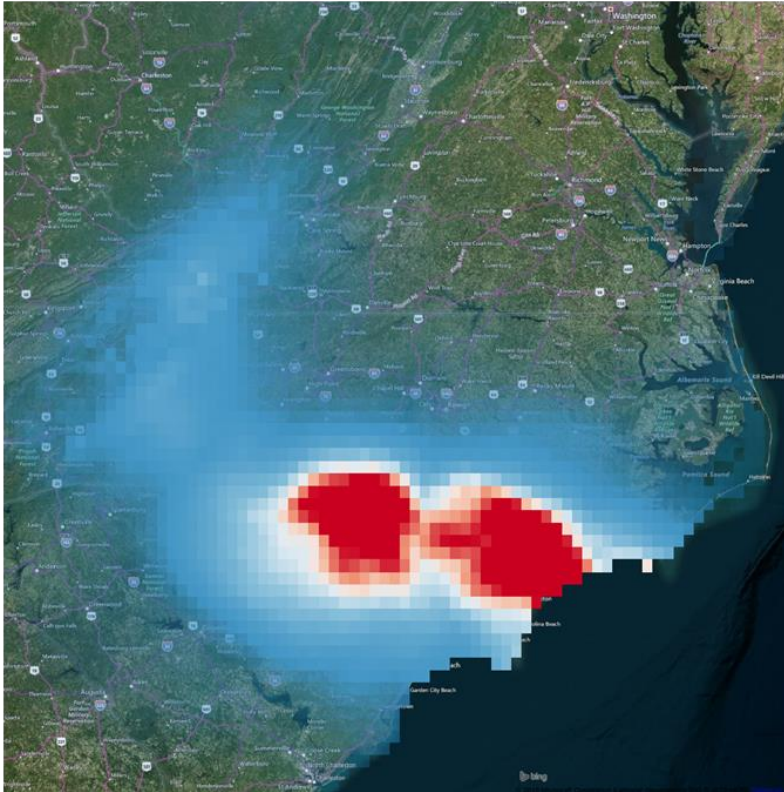


Pre/Post Event (Florence)

Florence: 4 days before landfall, using only forecasted precipitation

Sept 14th Forecast

Precipitation



Flood Depths

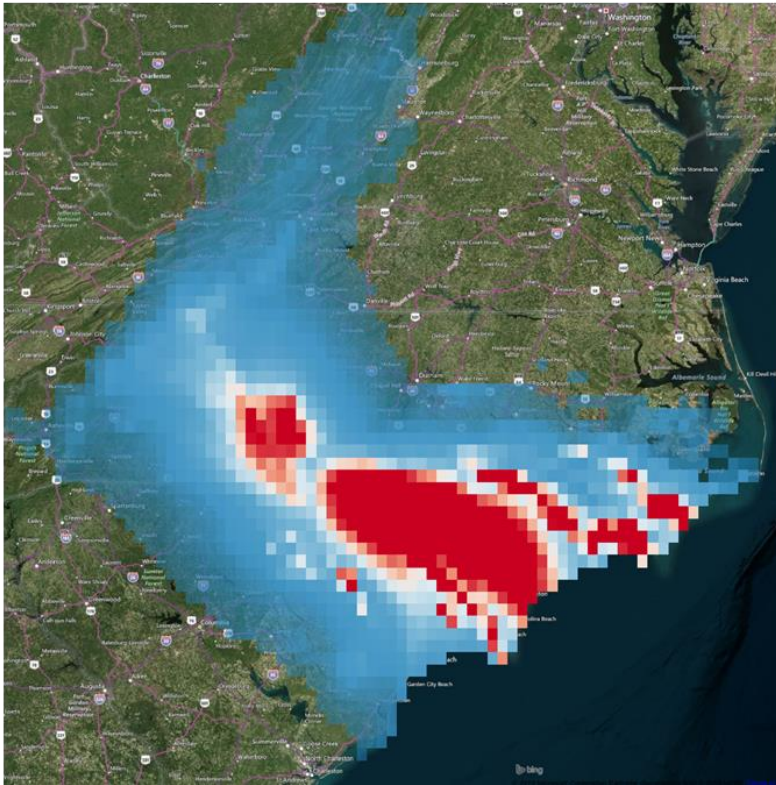


Pre/Post Event (Florence)

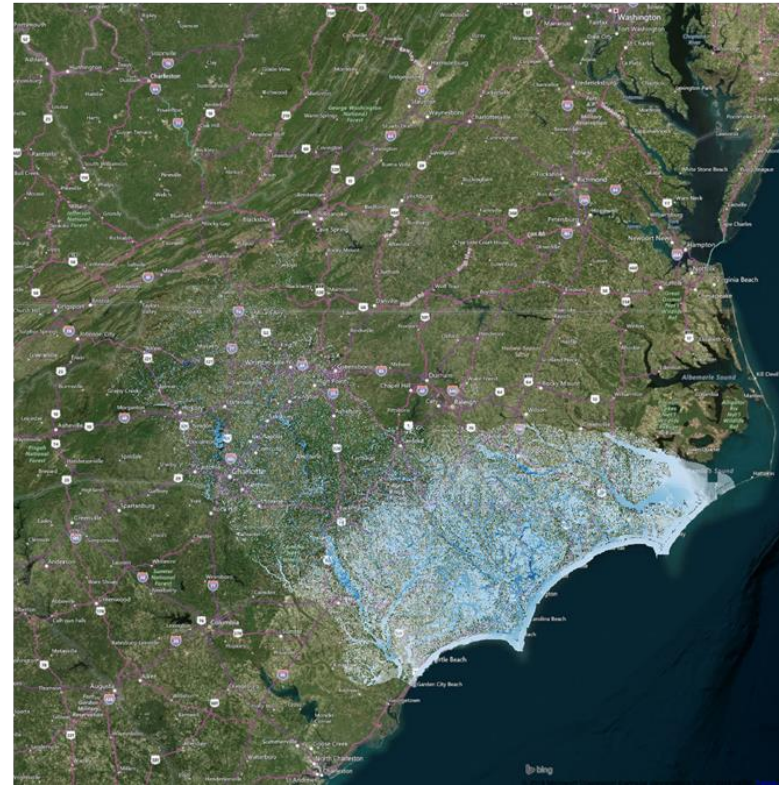
Florence: 2 days before landfall, using only forecasted precipitation and recorded rainfall accumulation

Sept 16th Forecast

Precipitation



Flood Depths

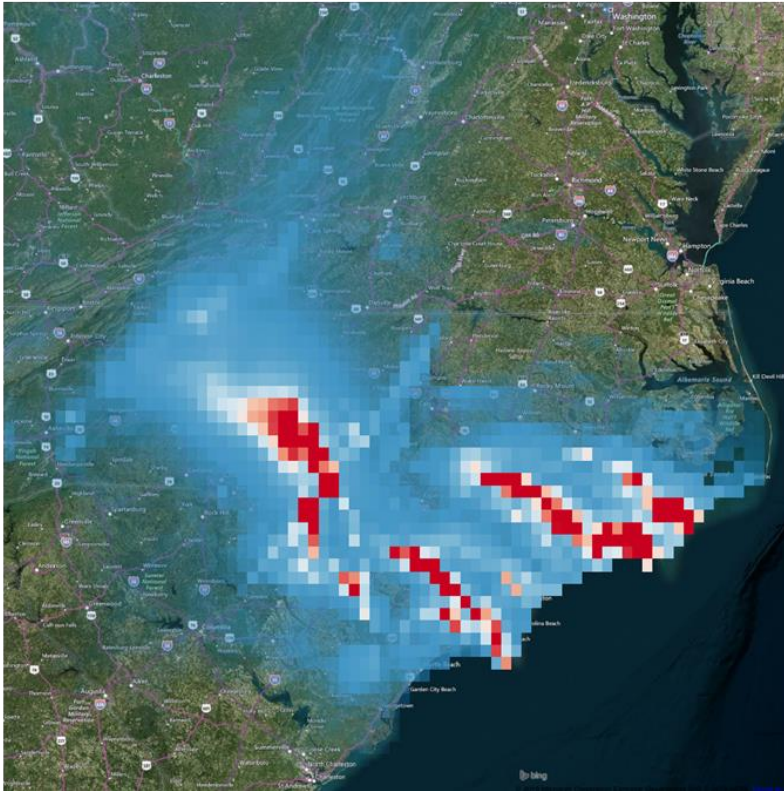


Pre/Post Event (Florence)

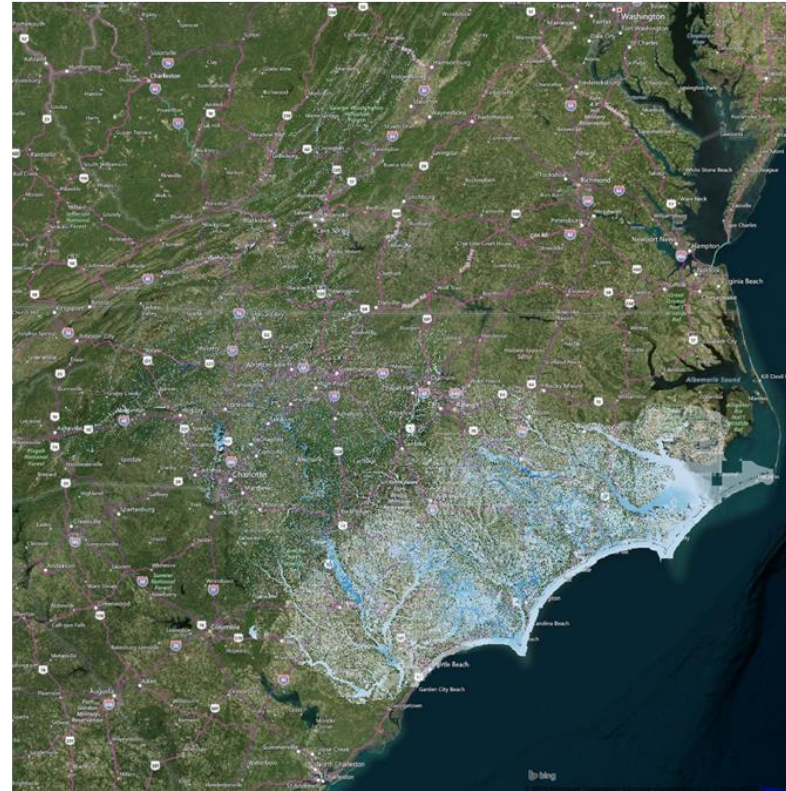
Florence: 1 day before landfall, using only forecasted precipitation and recorded rainfall accumulation

Sept 17th Forecast

Precipitation



Flood Depths

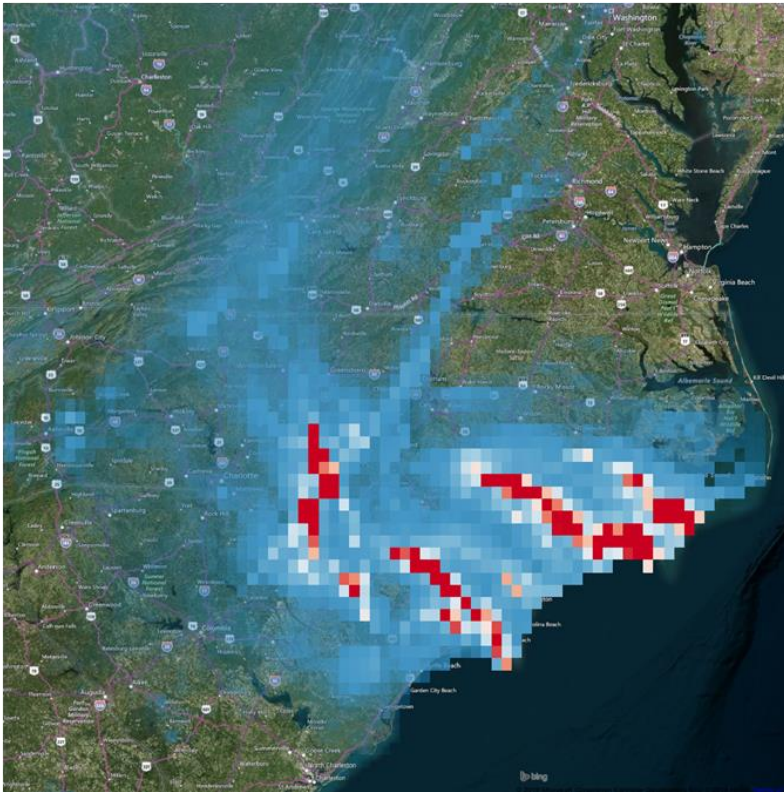


Pre/Post Event (Florence)

Florence: The event has completed, using only recorded rainfall accumulation

Sept 18th Final

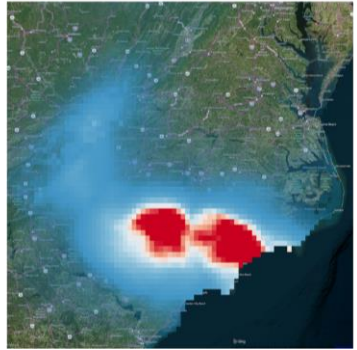
Precipitation



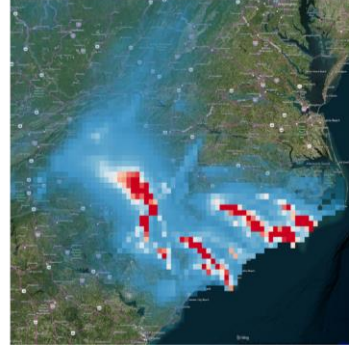
Flood Depths



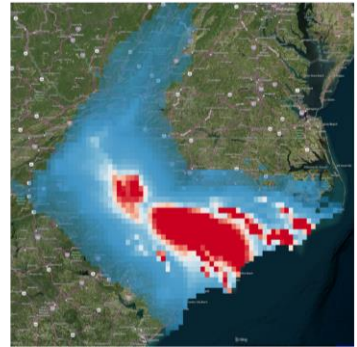
Pre/Post Event (Florence)



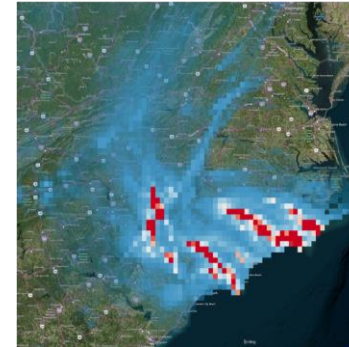
4 Days Before
% Effected TIV: 0.56%
GU/Effected TIV: 0.019



1 Day Before
% Effected TIV: 0.58%
GU/Effected TIV: 0.010



2 Days Before
% Effected TIV: 0.73%
GU/Effected TIV: 0.023



Post Event
% Effected TIV: 0.66%
GU/Effected TIV: 0.099

Post Event Reconstruction (Florence 2018)



Post Event Reconstruction (Nate 2017)



Post Event Reconstruction (LA 2016)

North of Baton Rouge


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A house is surrounded by water on Washington Street in Baton, La., due to severe weather and flooding in the Baton Rouge Parish area on Saturday August 13, 2016.

29
A house is surrounded by water on the corner of Washington and Ashland Streets in Baton, La., due to severe weather and flooding in the Baton Rouge Parish area on Saturday August 13, 2016.

31
A man in a boat navigating through floodwaters.

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A person in a yellow kayak navigating through floodwaters.

26
A person in a boat navigating through floodwaters.



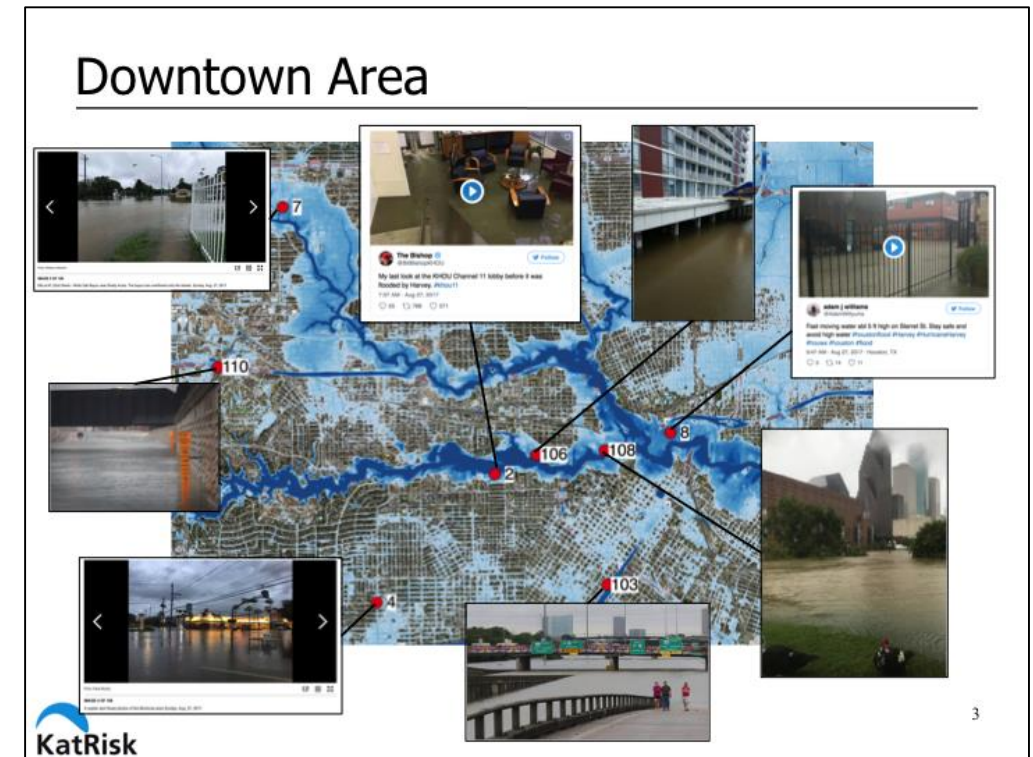
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Post Event Reconstruction (Harvey 2016)

Hurricane Harvey



- KatRisk Provides footprint hazard maps within days of events
 - For Harvey, KatRisk released daily updated footprints
 - Included forecast flooding based on precipitation forecast data before and during the event
 - 8.8 million location IED in Texas
 - \$40 - \$50 billion GU Texas Inland Flood Loss
 - ~\$80 billion total loss (Texas + Louisiana + other states)





Thank You!
