# Liberty Mutual Group

## 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

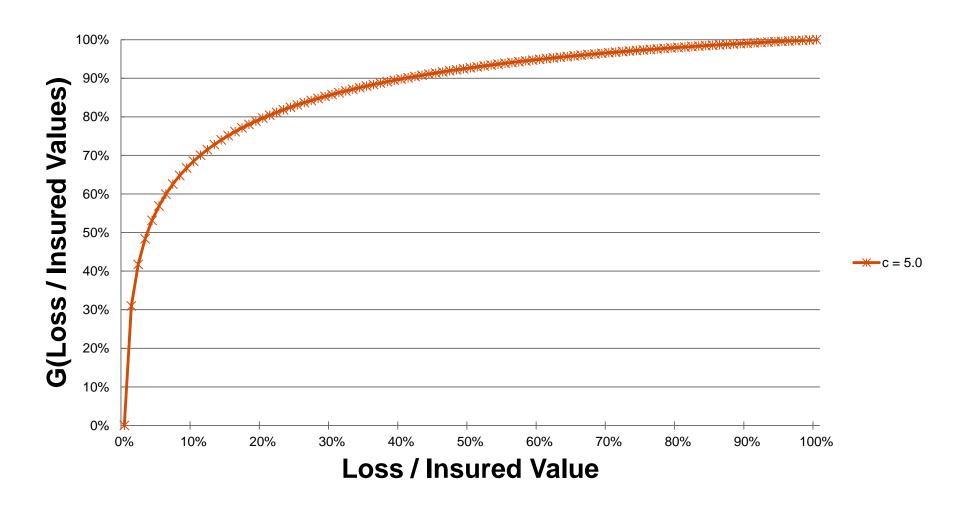
- Meet my challenge
- New applications!
- Deceptively difficult
  - 1) No clear limit
  - 2) Multiple non-linearities
  - 3) Additional nuances
  - 4) Practical considerations

## **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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250-1,000	625	16%	80%	41%	285,000	65%	185,250	75,953
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## $\underline{PEBEL_i} = P_i * \mathbf{ELR_i} * EF_i$

- Expected catastrophe loss
- Risk loads
- Rate adequacy

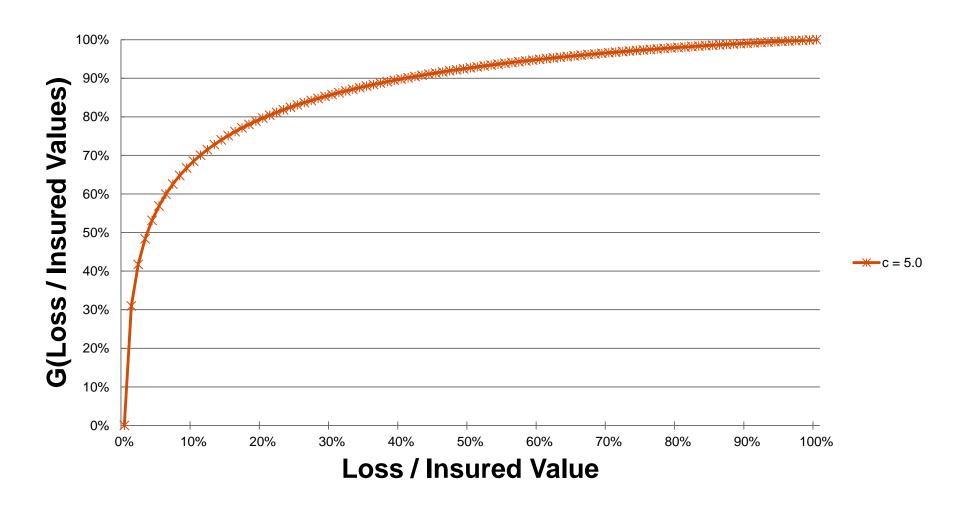
State:	House
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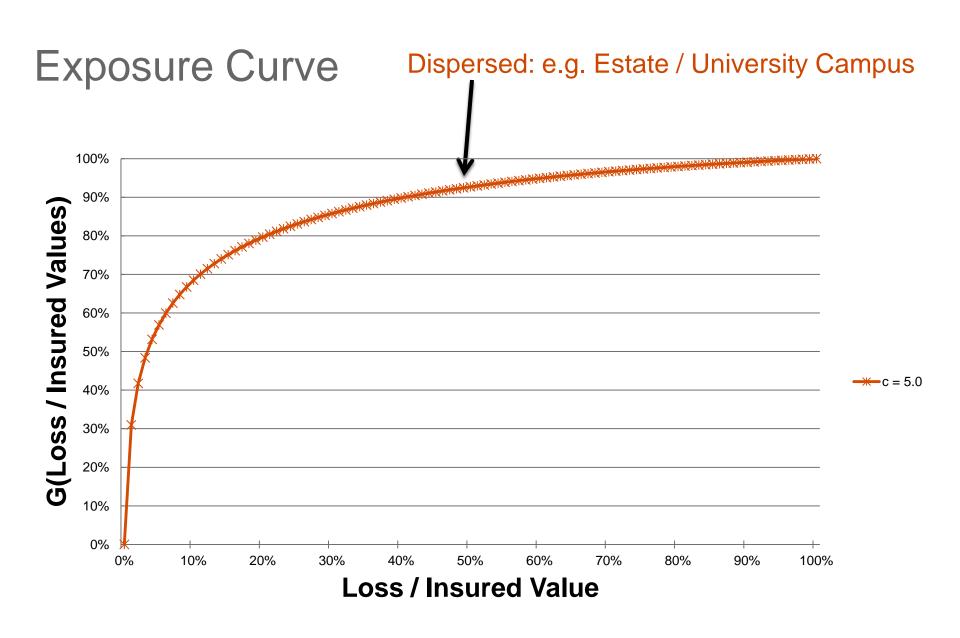
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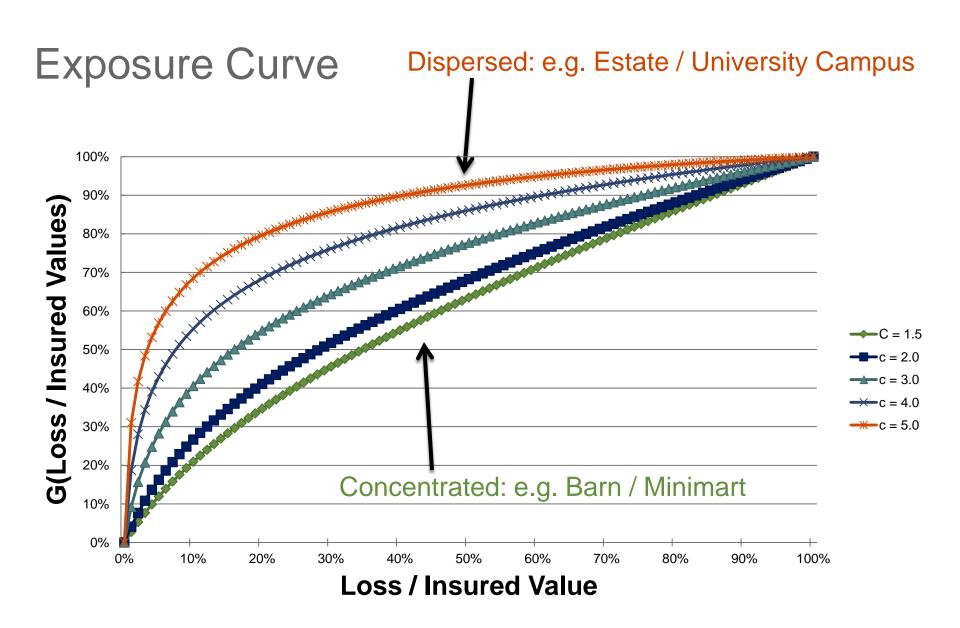
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#### **Indications**

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

## 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

#### **Predictive Models**

Hypothesize that PEBELS

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

# Revised Property Per Risk Reinsurance Exposure Rating Current formulation:

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

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

#### Revised Property Per Risk Reinsurance Exposure Rating

#### **Proposed formulation:**

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

# Summary

#### PEBELS = Property Large Loss Exposure Segmentation

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



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

2) (Direct EP) \* (Reins. Rate) \* (Reinsurer's PLR)

# Appendix

## Misc. Topics

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