

## Agenda

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## Section 1: Who are we?

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## Who are we?

- Catastrophe model development team fully owned by of Aon
- **Independent, transparent, open, modular and bespoke** models
- **Natural** (flood, earthquake, wind) and **man-made** perils
- Filling the gaps as well as main perils
- Products licensed to over 50 clients
- Canadian flood model since 2015 and still in development



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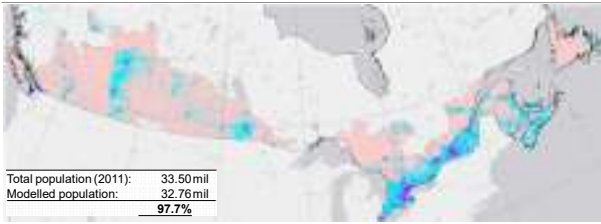
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## Our model overview



- Fully probabilistic physically based, covers ~98% of Canadian population
- 2-dimensional hydrodynamic simulation used for all modelled rivers
- Supports Lat & Lon; 6- and 3- digit postal codes
- Vulnerability based on the real Canadian flood claim data (2013)

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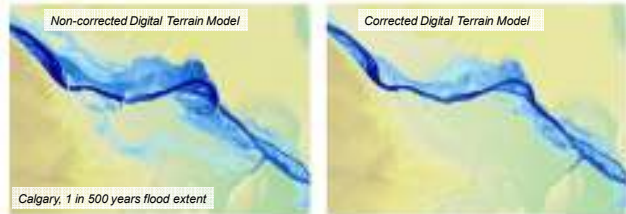
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## Working with elevation data is time consuming

...but well worth it

- Different Digital Terrain Models used
- Many manual DTM corrections were essential



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## Flood models are very data hungry!

- Geographical data
  - River network (GeoBase)
  - LandCover (Environment Canada)
  - Postal codes (GFK, Canada Post)
- Hydrological data
  - Daily discharges of 1,526 locally sourced stations
  - Cleaned & checked
  - Used for event set generation
- Flood defence data
  - Significant effect on losses
  - Extensive research in their location and standard of protection
  - Manually checked and corrected



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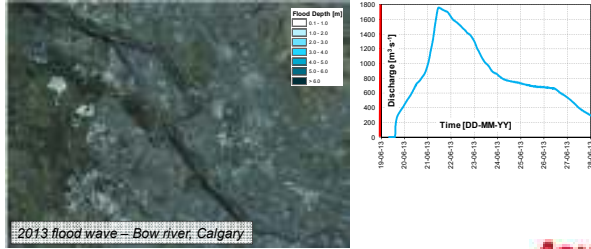
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## Physical based model

- 2D hydrodynamic model TUFLOW used for the entire modelled area
  - Provides real (physical) flow of water
  - Computationally challenging: 835 days of runtime



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...so how can the model be used for pricing?

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## Our "flagship" detailed product (for the actuaries)



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### Section 3: Lessons learned



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### Lessons learned working with the Canadian insurers

#### For model developers

- **Lesson 1:** Make sure you have the right people at the meeting: 1. product, 2. risk manager and 3. pricing actuary. Reinsurance broker is optional
- **Lesson 2:** Make sure that you explain properly the difference between an actuarial model and a catastrophe model (loss data vs. "real" modelling)
- **Lesson 3:** Run some real sample data of that particular company through the model to illustrate how the model can be used
- **Lesson 4:** Be super conservative in terms of how long do your clients need to design the new flood product. Think 3<sup>rd</sup> parties
- **Lesson 5:** Be both receptive and critical to new ideas and requests from your client as some of them can be very innovative



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### Lessons learned working with the Canadian insurers

#### For pricing actuaries and product developers

- **Lesson 1:** Cat modelling is like black magic, ask as many questions as you can, don't get discouraged by unknown words. Ask about distributions!
- **Lesson 2:** Make sure that you understand properly the difference between an actuarial model and a catastrophe model
- **Lesson 3:** Demand to have your sample data ran through the model, be creative when designing it, main purpose is: find limitations of the model
- **Lesson 4:** Be really conservative in terms of how long does a new product integration based on a cat model take to implement. Think 3<sup>rd</sup> parties
- **Lesson 5:** Request the model developers to create custom output and versions of the model if you know what you want



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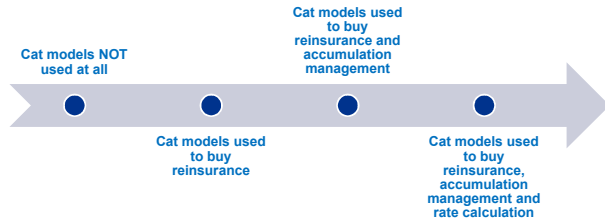
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## Usage of Cat models in flood risk management

- Where are You in this timeline?



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## Use of flood cat model: Canada vs. US vs. UK

Use	Canada	US	UK	Czechia
Flood is peril #1	Mostly no but can be locally	Mostly no but can be locally	Mostly no but is frequent	Yes
Flood products available	Com always, Res now available	NFIP, slowly changing to private	Yes, always. Flood Re	Yes (from Communism era)
Presence of flood limits in the products	Mostly no, some for Com	Yes for Com and Res	No for Res	No for Res, Yes for Com
Reinsurance purchase using a flood model	Slowly starting to be part of the mix	Part of the mix, minimal effect	Part of the mix, wind dominant	Yes
Rate calculation using a flood model	Res – now yes, Com – sort of	NFIP – no, starting to be used	Yes, flood maps mainly	Yes, flood maps mainly
Accumulation control using a model	Little	Some	Some	Little
Models developed locally	No (little)	Yes (FEMA)	Yes, non gov.	Yes, non gov.

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## Section 4: Next steps

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## Accumulation control: by broker

Group	Total Insured Value	Charged Premium	Technical Premium	TechP vs TIV	TechP vs ChP
Broker 1	747,385,991 39%	137,719 26%	79,842 16%	41%	61%
Broker 2	310,480,028 16%	167,909 32%	123,829 25%	154%	78%
Broker 3	531,090,895 28%	192,748 37%	228,745 46%	167%	125%
Broker 4	338,843,715 18%	25,859 5%	66,228 13%	76%	269%

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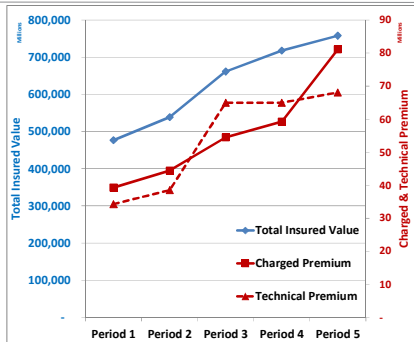
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## Accumulation control: constant monitoring

- Tracking
  - TIV
  - Charged premium
  - Technical premium
  - 1 in 100 years loss
- Quarterly, monthly



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## Questions?

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Thanks for your attention



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**Appendix: Flood map vs. probabilistic model**



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