



UNDERSTANDING MORTALITY

SUPPORTING LONGEVITY RISK TRANSFER

THROUGH EDUCATION AND ANALYTICS

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RMS BACKGROUND

- › Best known for our **catastrophe risk** models
- › **Life insurance** division since 2005
- › Work with most major insurance and reinsurance companies in **US & Europe**
- › **\$2 trillion** worth of insurance and capital markets transactions based on RMS Risk Models
- › Trusted by regulators and rating agencies for **over 20 yrs**
- › RMS mortality and longevity models used for **rated capital market transactions**

RMS MORTALITY MODEL SUITE



RMS LIFERISKS

A specialized team to produce solutions for the life insurance industry

Epidemiology
Medical Sciences
Mathematical Biology
Medical Research
Biostatistics
Genetics
Biochemistry
Public Health Policy
Actuarial Sciences
Financial engineering
Mathematical modeling
Catastrophe Analytics



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PhDs on the RMS LifeRisks technical team

40%

of RMS revenue reinvested in research and development

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RMS catastrophist nominated as one of the 100 most influential people in finance by *Treasury and Risk Management Magazine* 2004

350+

4 Books / 280 Papers / 70 Journal Articles

Risk publication output from the RMS LifeRisks technical team

45%

Modelers and Scientists



35%

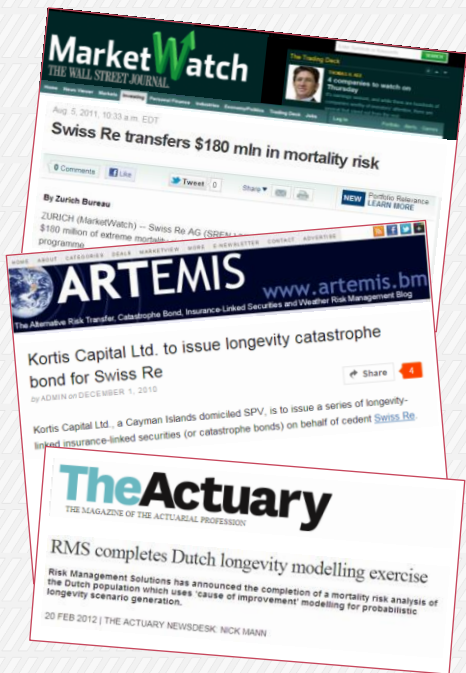
Technologists and Product Software Engineers

20%

Insurance Client Service and Consultancy

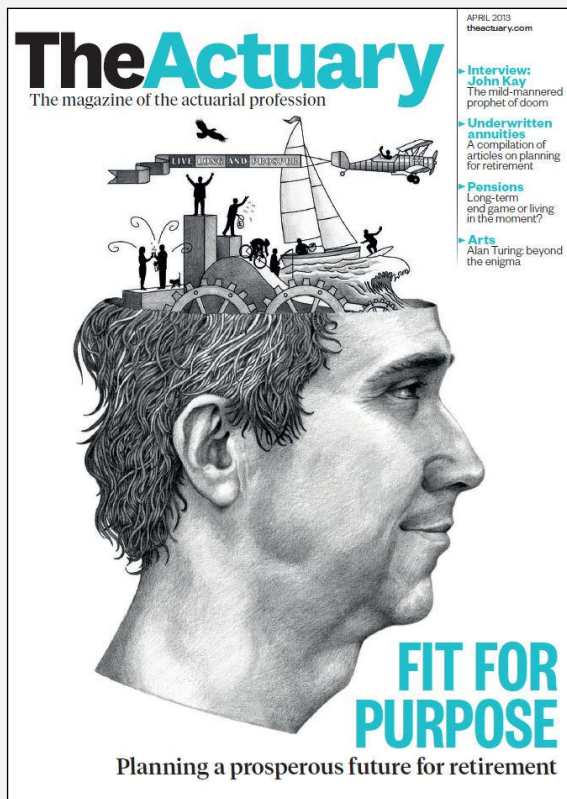


CAPITAL MARKETS TRANSACTIONS

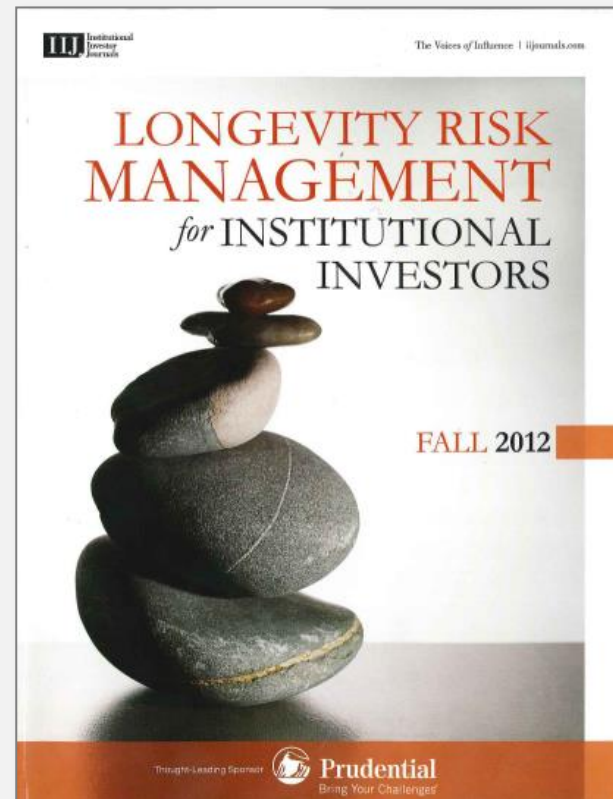


- Swiss Re VITA series
 - 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012
 - Excess Mortality bonds
 - RMS Excess Mortality models rated by Standard & Poor's
- Swiss Re KORTIS
 - Successfully closed and publicized Dec 2010
 - First ever successfully rated longevity bond
 - RMS Longevity Model rated by Standard & Poor's
- AEGON / Deutsche Bank longevity transaction
 - 'Record' size of a longevity transaction to the capital markets
 - Used Netherlands longevity modeling
 - Viewed as a "game changer" by other clients

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP



RMS article on psycho-social metrics for longevity risk featured on the cover of this month's special edition of **The Actuary** on underwritten annuities



Longevity Risk Management: Fall 2012
RMS guest-edited edition of
Institutional Investor



COMMITMENT TO SHARING KNOWLEDGE

RMS LifeRisks

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<http://www.rms.com/liferisks>

- Seminar presentations
- Whitepaper series
- Articles and commentary
- LifeRisks Monitor
- Collateral
- Client Alerts and Advisories
- Press releases

Overview: Science
Understand the Causes of Mortality Change

1950 1990 2010 2030

2030

High **3,500**
Medium **1,000**
Low **515**
Deaths per 100,000 population

A Changing Picture of Mortality

Life expectancy changes affect health care and financial needs flow. A key indicator of the dramatic change in life expectancy is the growth of people aged over 100 in our society. This population is increasing from the gradual advance of medical science in history.

What If?

- Lifestyle: Nobody smokes. Obesity rates in India, fitness levels become much higher than today.
- Medical Advances: Cancer becomes a managed disease.
- Health Economics: 20% of GDP spent on healthcare, focus shifts to preventative medicine.
- Regenerative medicine: Stem cell treatments repair heart damage, Nanomedicine provides benefits.
- Retardation of aging: Clinical trials begin for an anti-aging drug.
- Mortality Shocks: A pandemic occurs causing high mortality in the elderly.

Managing Influenza Pandemic Risk

RMS LifeRisks Monitor

Solutions for Managing Mortality Risk

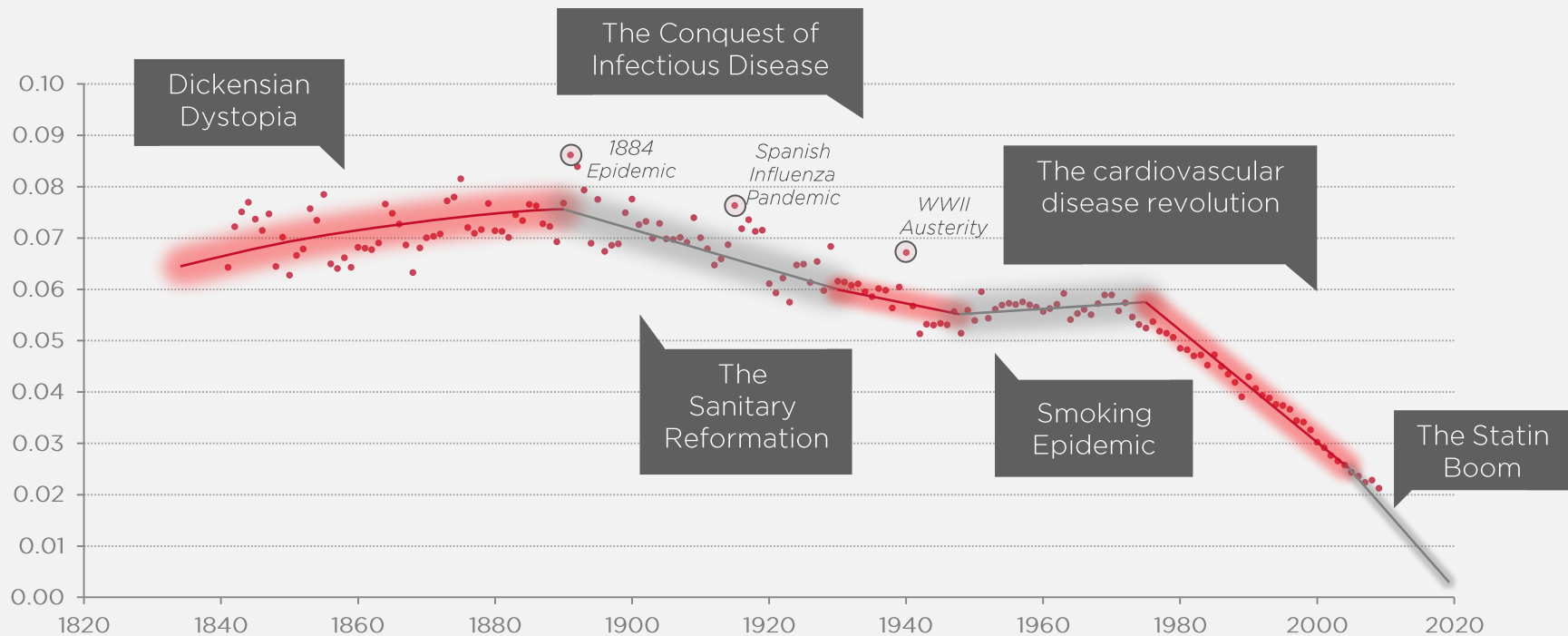
INFLUENZA PANDEMIC RISK: THE CONTRIBUTION OF LABORATORY PATRONS TO THE MORTALITY RISK

Learning from the 2009 H1N1 Influenza Pandemic

ASTROPHYSICS, INJURY, AND INSURANCE

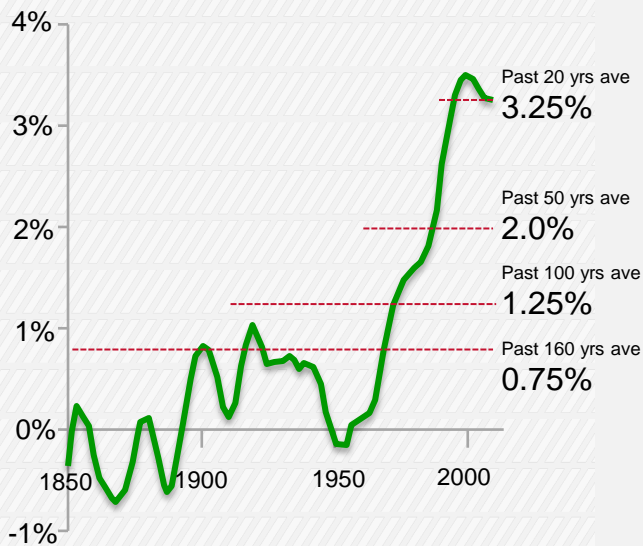
LIFERISKS MONITOR

STRUCTURAL PHASES OF MORTALITY CHANGE



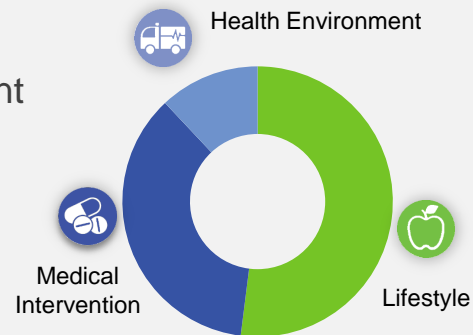
UNDERSTANDING CHANGING MORTALITY

A Century of Change and then... 40 Years of Unrelenting Improvement



Mortality Improvements UK males aged 65

- Detailed analysis of the causes of the recent phase of high improvement by epidemiologists and demographers
- Changing lifestyles
 - big influence from reduced smoking
- Medical intervention a significant cause
 - preventative drugs like antihypertensives and statins
 - Improved treatments for heart attacks
- Health environment causes an additional minor contributor



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Clinical Investigation and Reports

Explaining the Decline in Coronary Heart Disease Mortality in England and Wales Between 1981 and 2000

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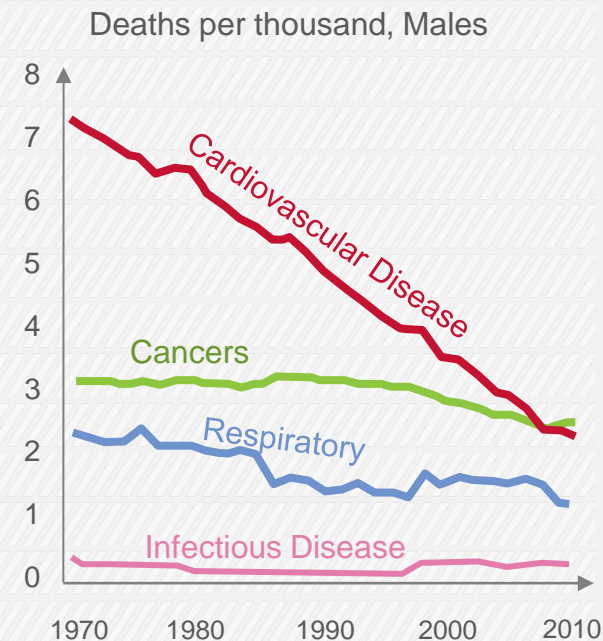
Abstract

Background—Coronary heart disease mortality rates have been decreasing in the United Kingdom since the 1970s. Our study aimed to examine how much of the

CAUSES OF DEATH

Improvements affect multiple causes of death

- Understanding how different causes of death are changing is a useful extra dimension of observation
 - The insurance industry should collect cause of death data from its policyholders
- Causes of improvement operate across several causes of death
- Co-morbidity and interaction between medical conditions complicates the picture
- Structural models using 'Cause of Improvement' have proven more tractable than pure 'Cause of Death' models



VITAGIONS

Bioscience identifies a large number of causes that contribute to mortality change



Lifestyle

- Smoking
- Obesity
- Other lifestyle trends



Medical Intervention

Treatments for specific conditions:

- Cardiovascular Disease
- Cancer treatments
- Respiratory Disease
- Dementia
- Other key diseases



Health Environment

- Healthcare provision
- Sanitation, housing, environmental factors



Regenerative Medicine

New classes of treatment for repairing damaged systems e.g.

- Stem cell therapy
- Nanomedicine
- Individualized gene therapy
- Improvements in transplantation

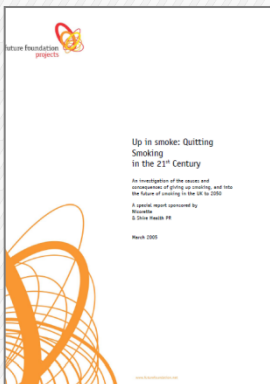


Anti-Aging Processes

Treatments to extend life through slowing natural processes of aging, e.g:

- Telomere Shortening
- IGF1
- Caloric restriction

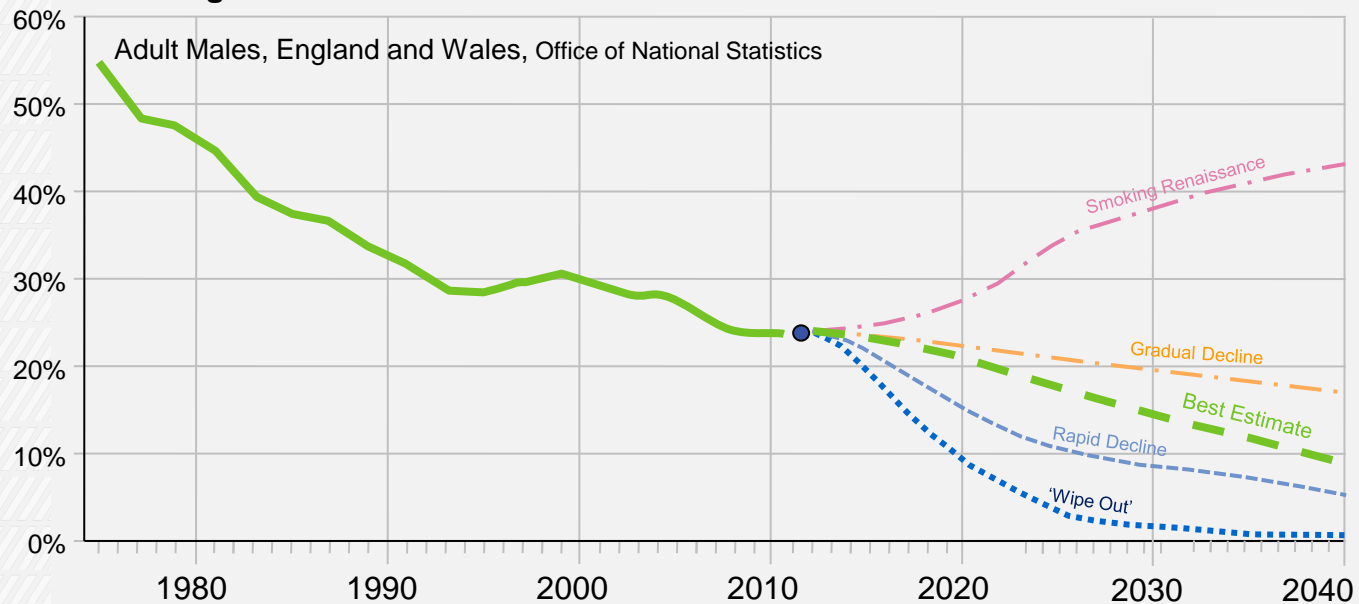
SMOKING



Future Foundation Projects
**Up in smoke: Quitting Smoking
in the 21st Century**
Nicorette & Shire Health PR
March 2005

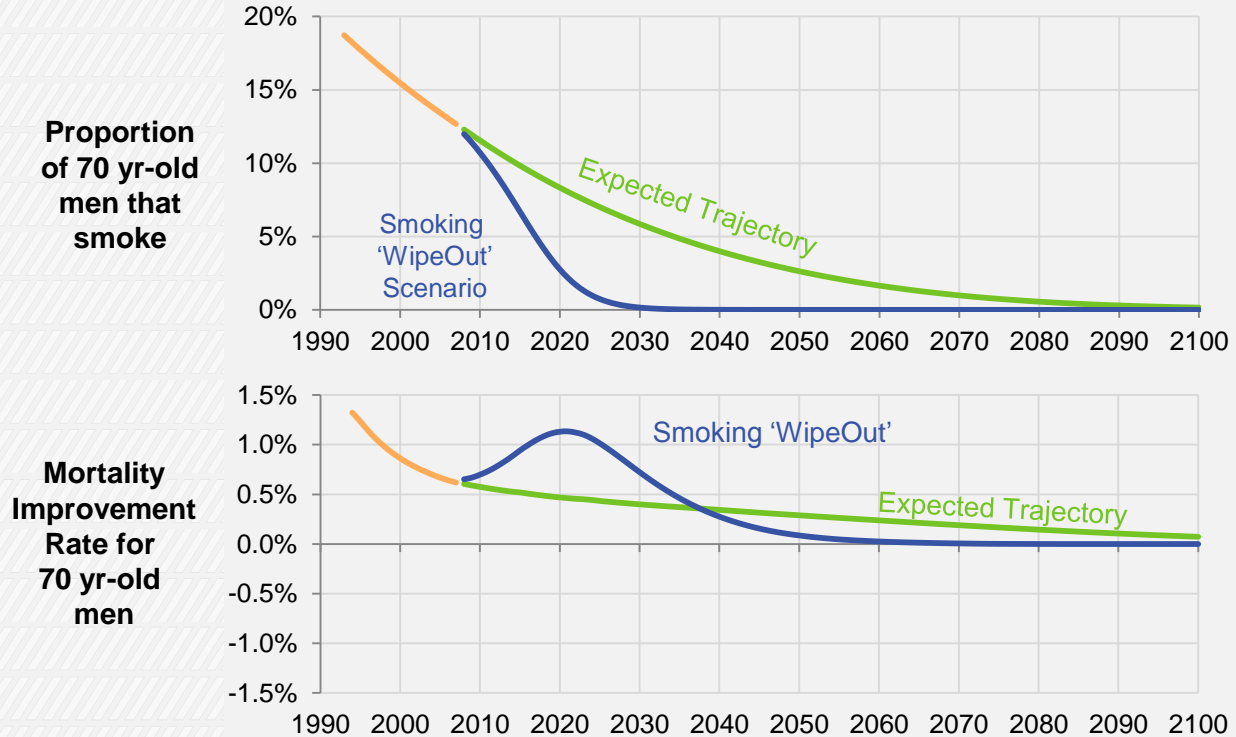
Projecting Future Smoking Rates

Smoking Rates Over Time

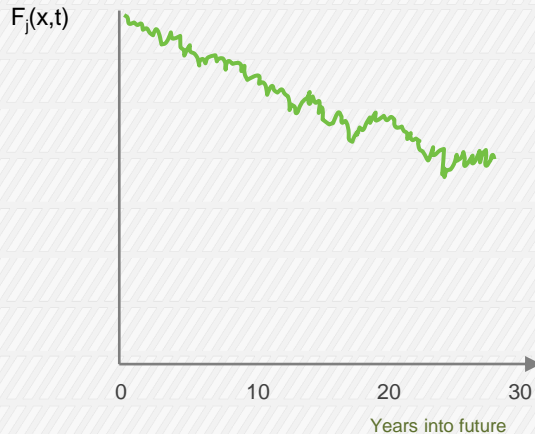


SMOKING

Impact of Smoking Reduction on Mortality Improvement



MODELLING MEDICAL PROGRESS

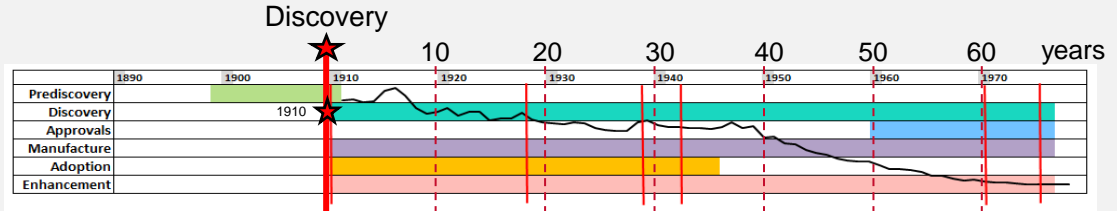


Medical breakthroughs and advances are sporadic

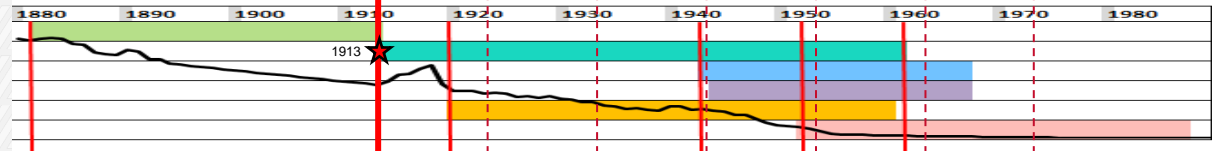
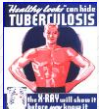
- Observations of the process of medical advance shows that it is serendipitous and subject to significant randomness
- Medical progress is punctuated by reversals and setbacks – for example discovering that a treatment causes side-effects
- It has long been observed that mortality improvement has the characteristics of a random-walk
- Structural modelling of cause of improvement is the first model to explain WHY
- An important contribution of bioscience is the parameterization of this ‘meta-model of medical progress’

Historical timelines for new medical innovations to impact mortality

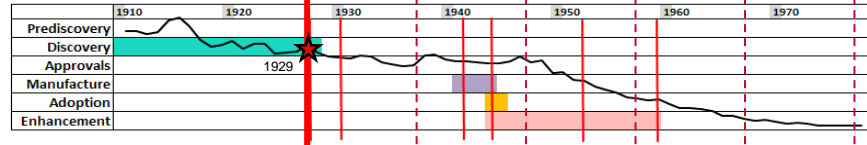
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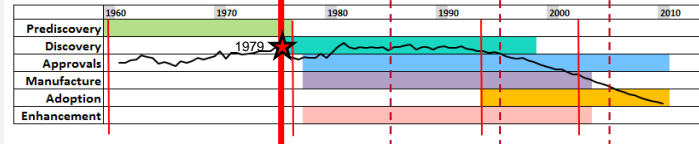
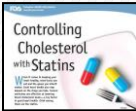
Tuberculosis



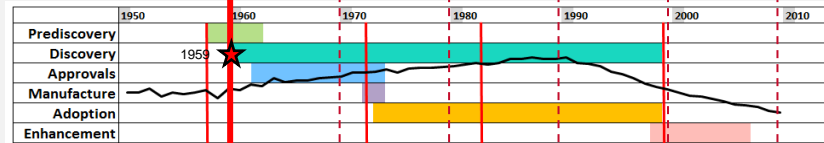
Penicillin



Statins



Breast cancer



COMPLEMENTING ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

Standard Lee-Carter Model

Statistical projections of past experience are proven and powerful tools of actuarial expertise, but extrapolating past volatility can project medically implausible futures.

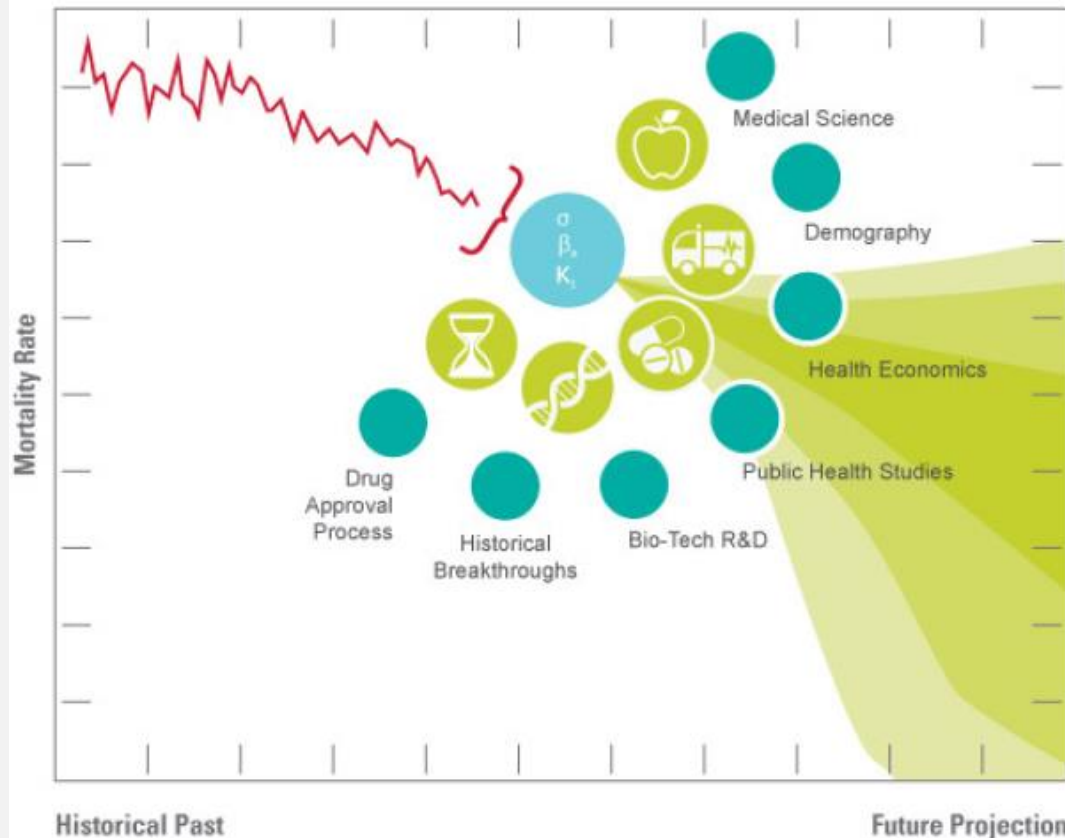
Overlaying a Vitagion Structure

Enhanced statistical projection by adding future projections by causes of improvement, provides realistic medical constraints on what could happen in future.

Multidisciplinary Scientific Research

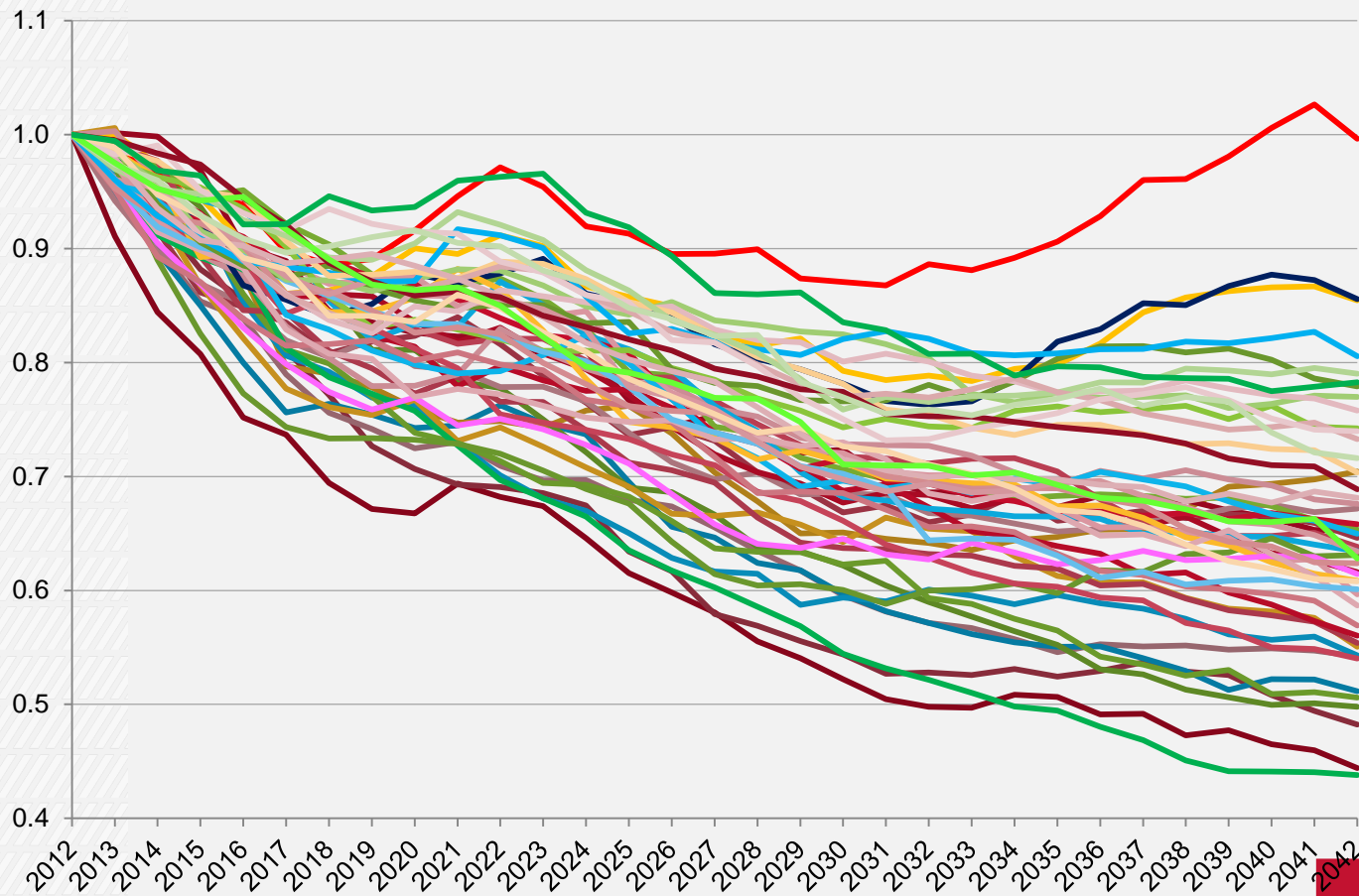
Parameterization of vitagion models is informed by a detailed research program of best-of-class data, and sub-models of medical outcomes.

The RMS Longevity Risk Model Concept



10,000 POSSIBLE FUTURES

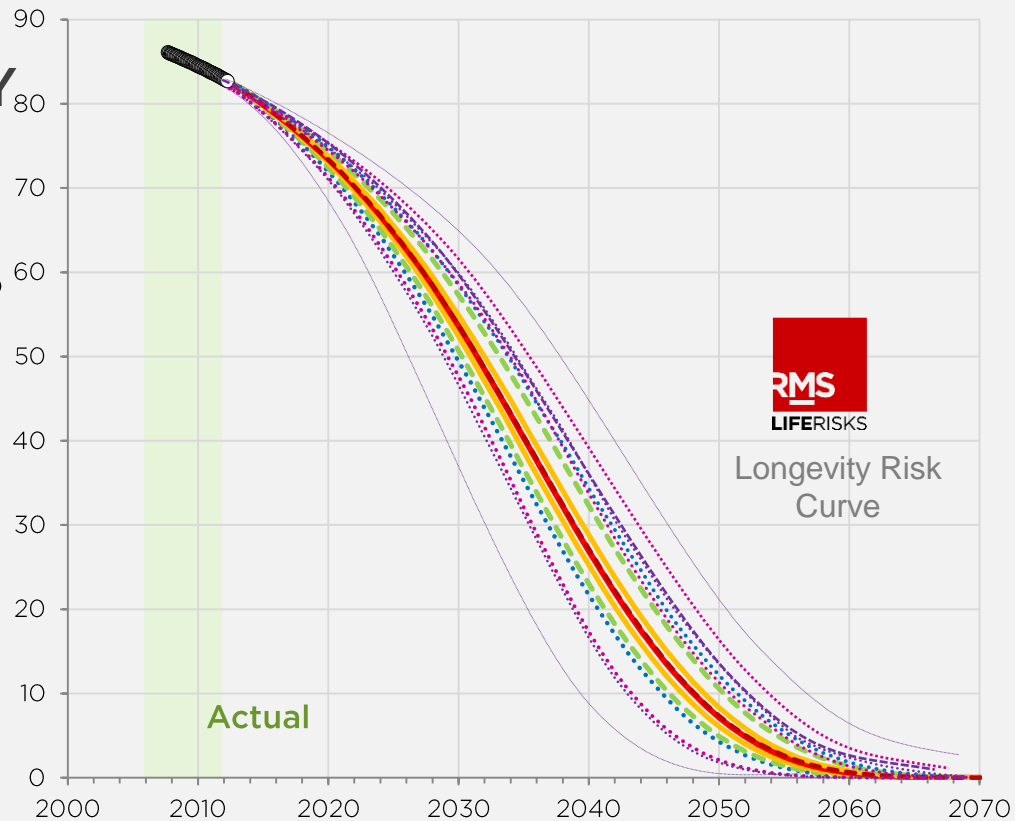
Mortality
Reduction
Factor



THE PROBABILISTIC STRUCTURE OF FUTURE MORTALITY

**Portfolio
Survival
%**

Characterizing the nature of lifestyle change and medical progress in a full stochastic model enables the uncertainty structure to be quantified



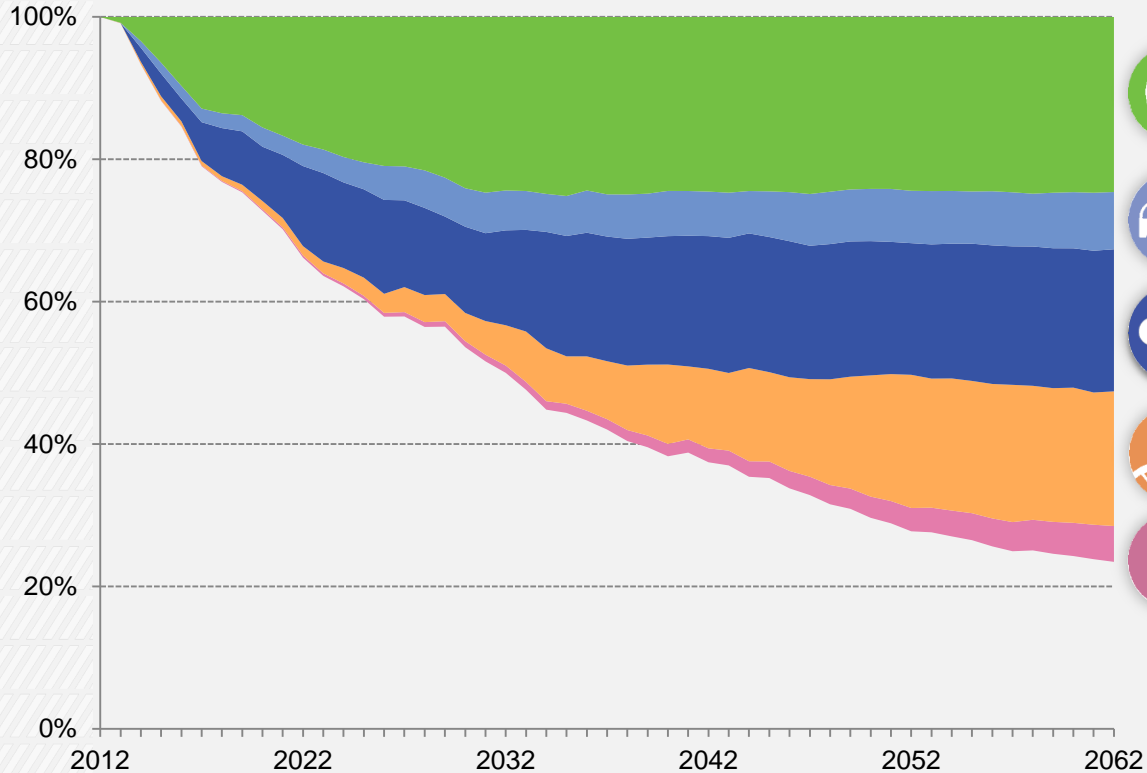
UNDERSTANDING SCENARIOS



- Fast increase in healthier lifestyle
- Smoking becomes de-normalized;
- Obesity trends slow dramatically



- Rapid Progress in Medical Intervention
- Cancer management improves dramatically.
- New monoclonal antibody drugs are effective and cheap.
- Continued rapid reduction of premature deaths from cardiovascular disease



Lifestyle



Health Environment



Medical Intervention



Regenerative Medicine



Anti-Aging Treatments

ONLY ONE FUTURE WILL ACTUALLY OCCUR

What signals will indicate which path will emerge?



The RMS LifeRisks Monitor is dedicated to keeping clients abreast of bioscience developments

- As we progress through time, the uncertainty around future years' mortalities will reduce
- Certain events will make particular paths more likely
- Watch out for 'Sentinel' events that signal changes in the mortality regime
 - The end of the obesity epidemic
 - Smoking de-normalization
 - FDA approval of low-cost stem cell treatments
 - Radical change of the NHS
 - Low-cost drugs for reducing cancer mortality



Anatomy of a Successful Transaction

Modeling Firm Perspective

Anatomy Of A Successful Transaction

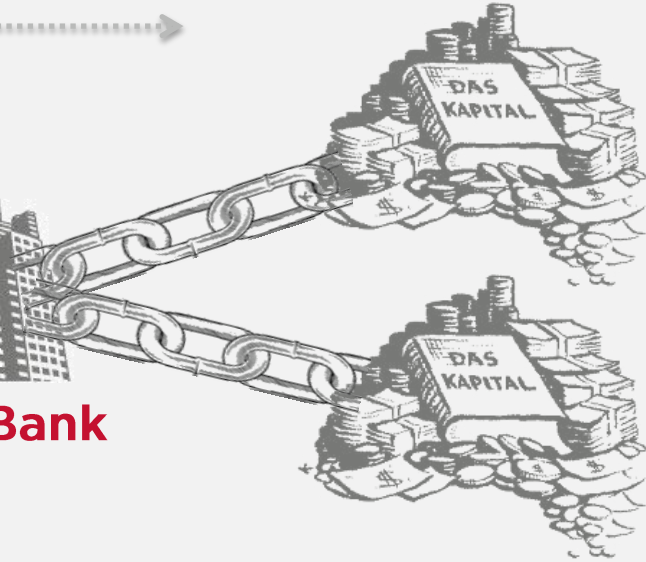
Longevity Risk



Sponsor

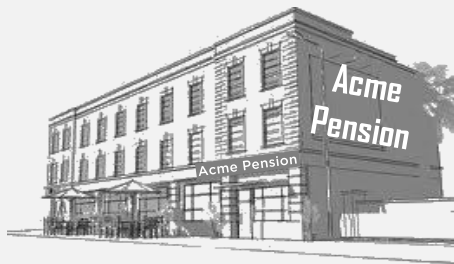


Investment Bank



Risk Takers

Payment Schedule



Sponsor

one-time **variable payment**



regular fixed payment

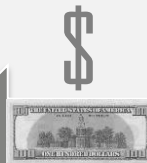


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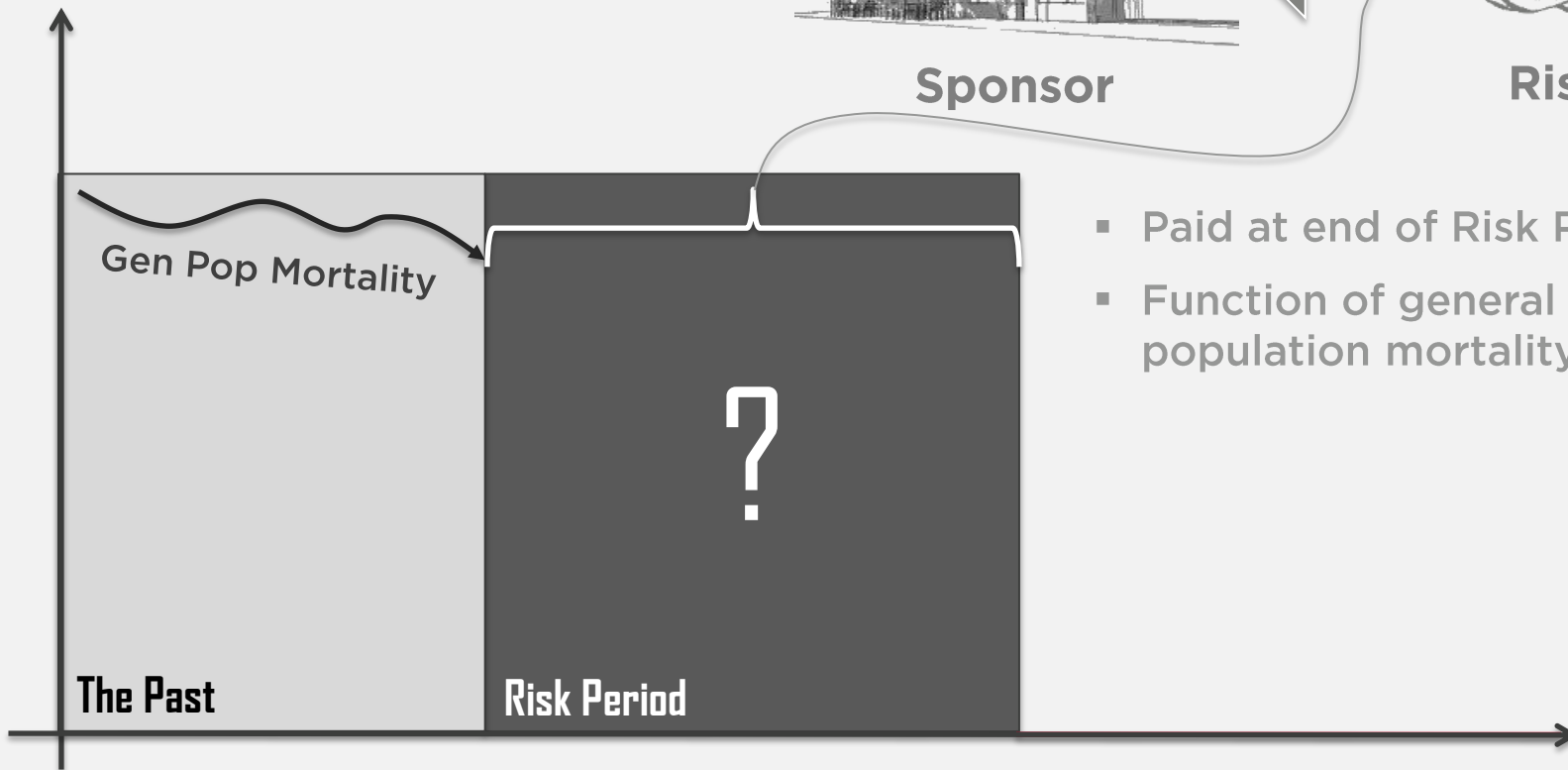
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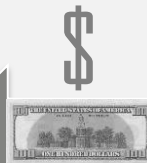


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- Function of general population mortality

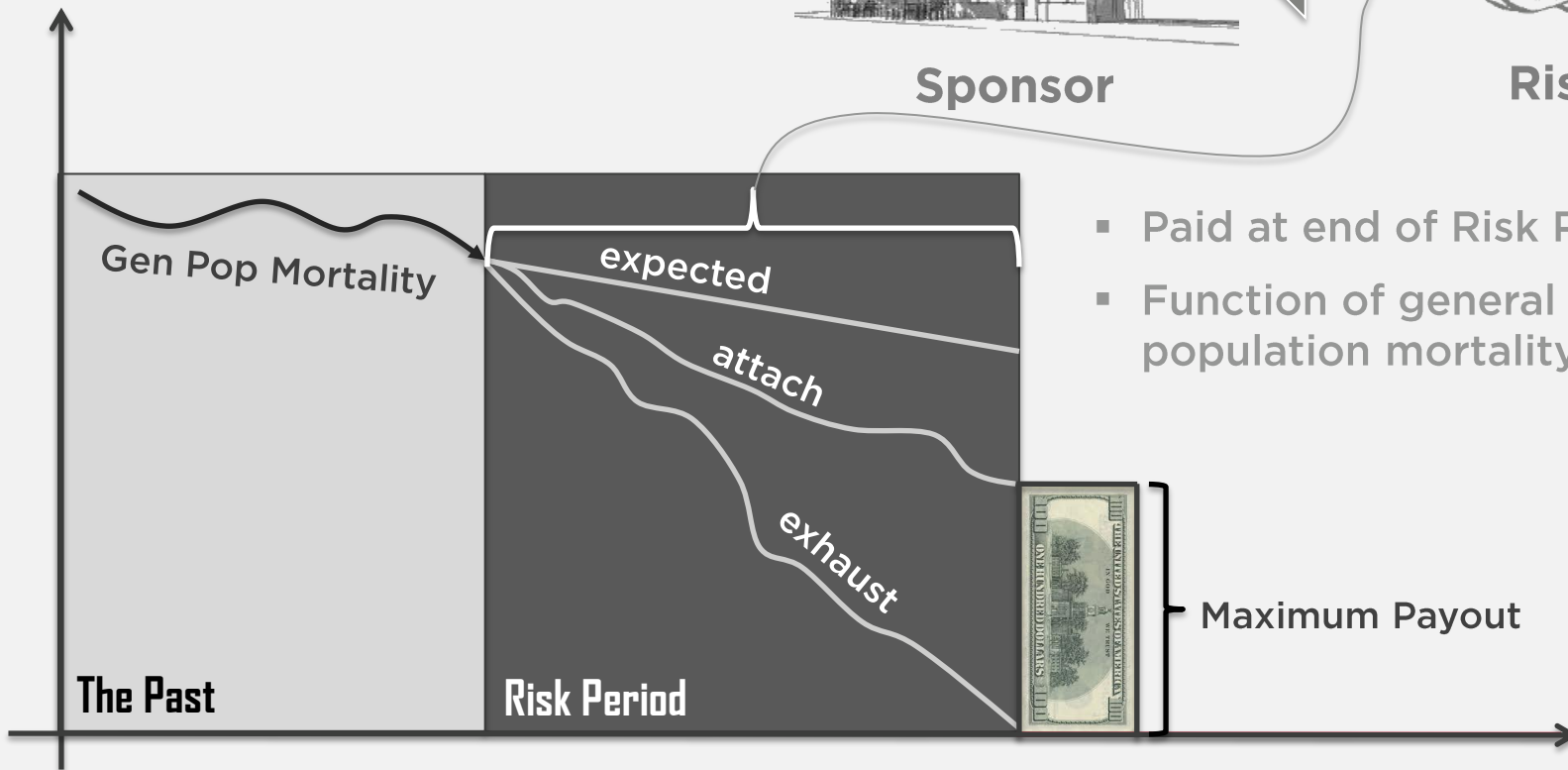
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Sponsor



Risk Taker



- Paid at end of Risk Period
- Function of general population mortality

Variable Payment Function



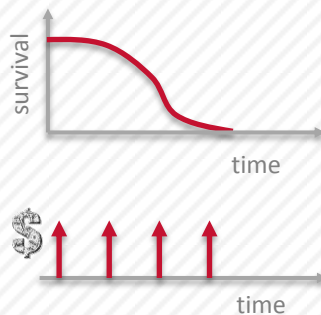
General Population
Mortality Rates



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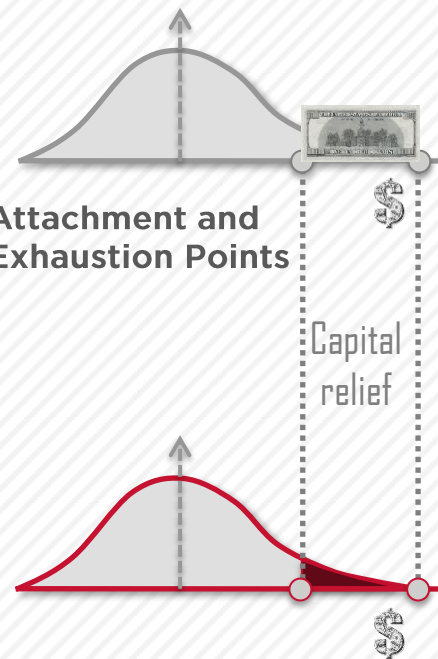
Cash-Flow Index:
replicates insurance
cash-flows



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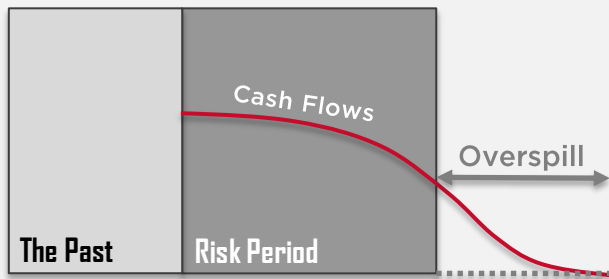
Attachment and
Exhaustion Points



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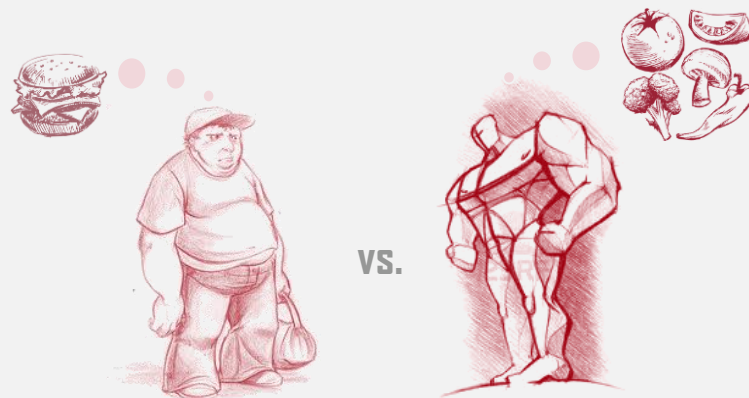
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Design Challenges



Duration Mismatch

How to hedge multi-decade risk with a 10-20 year instrument?

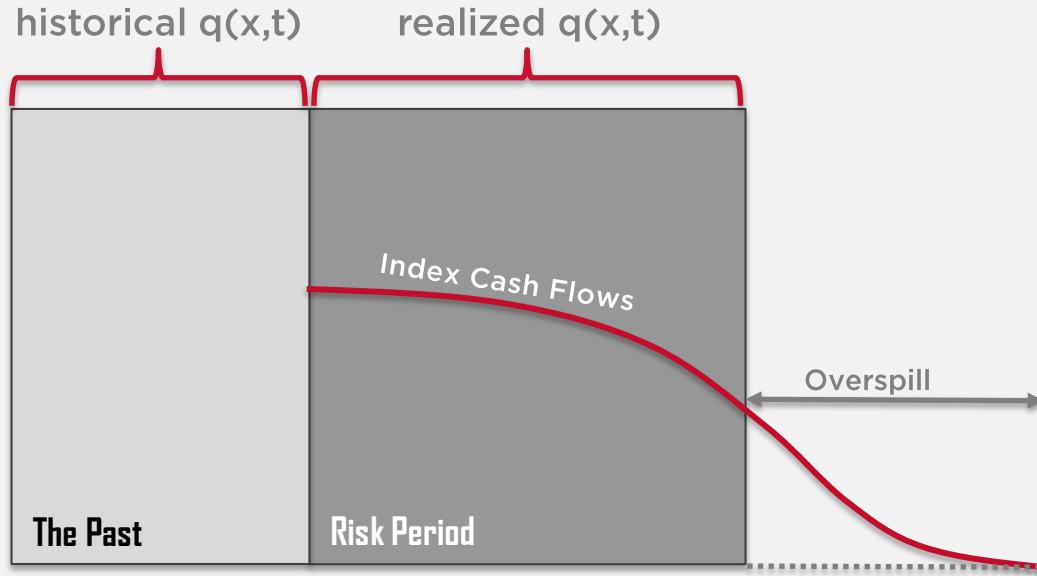


General vs. Insured Population

Capturing sponsor portfolio demographics

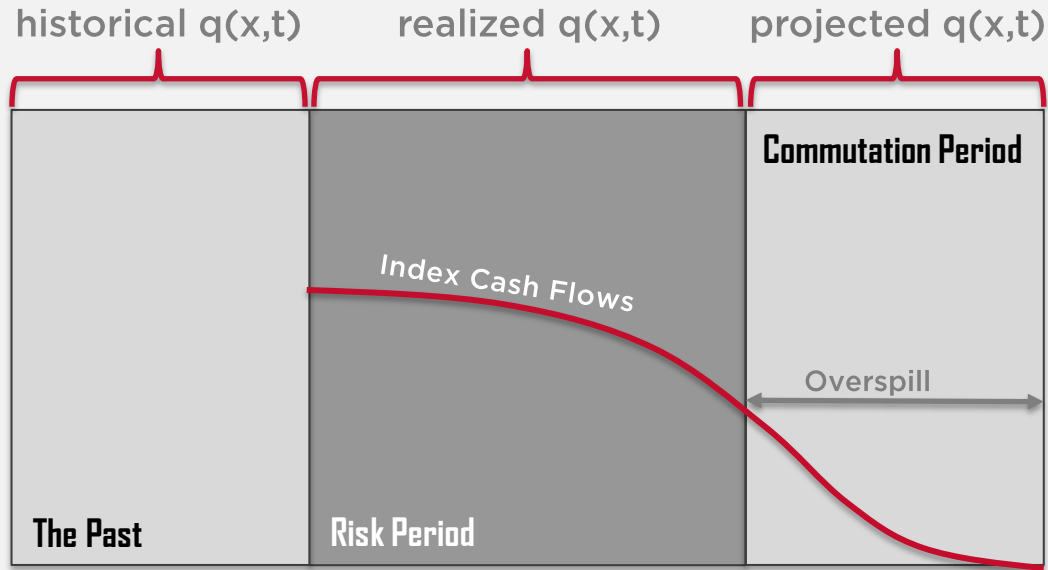
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Bridging the Duration Gap

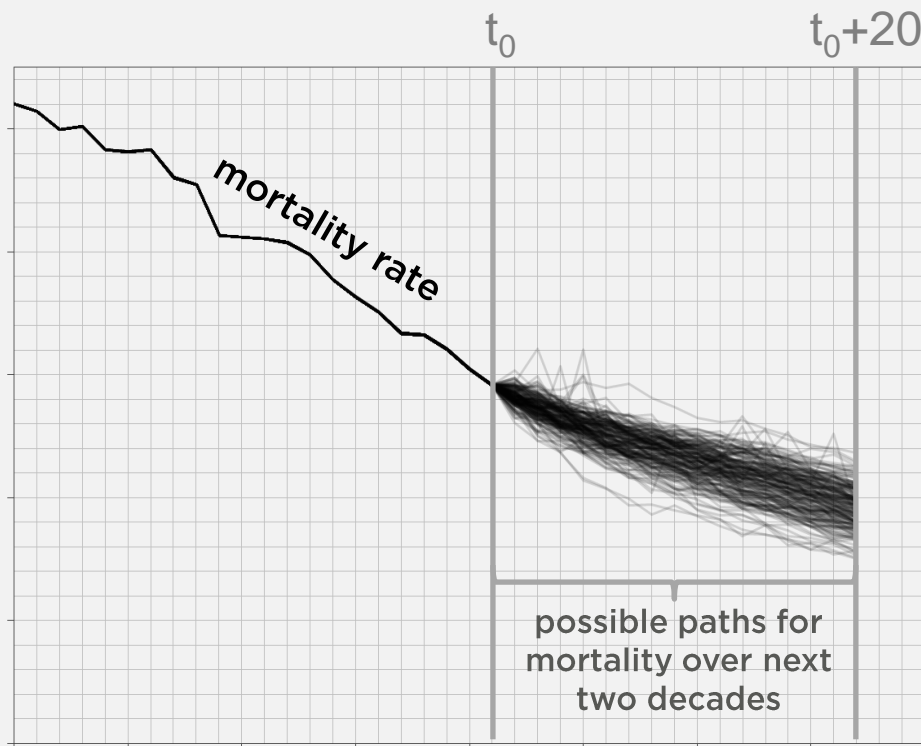


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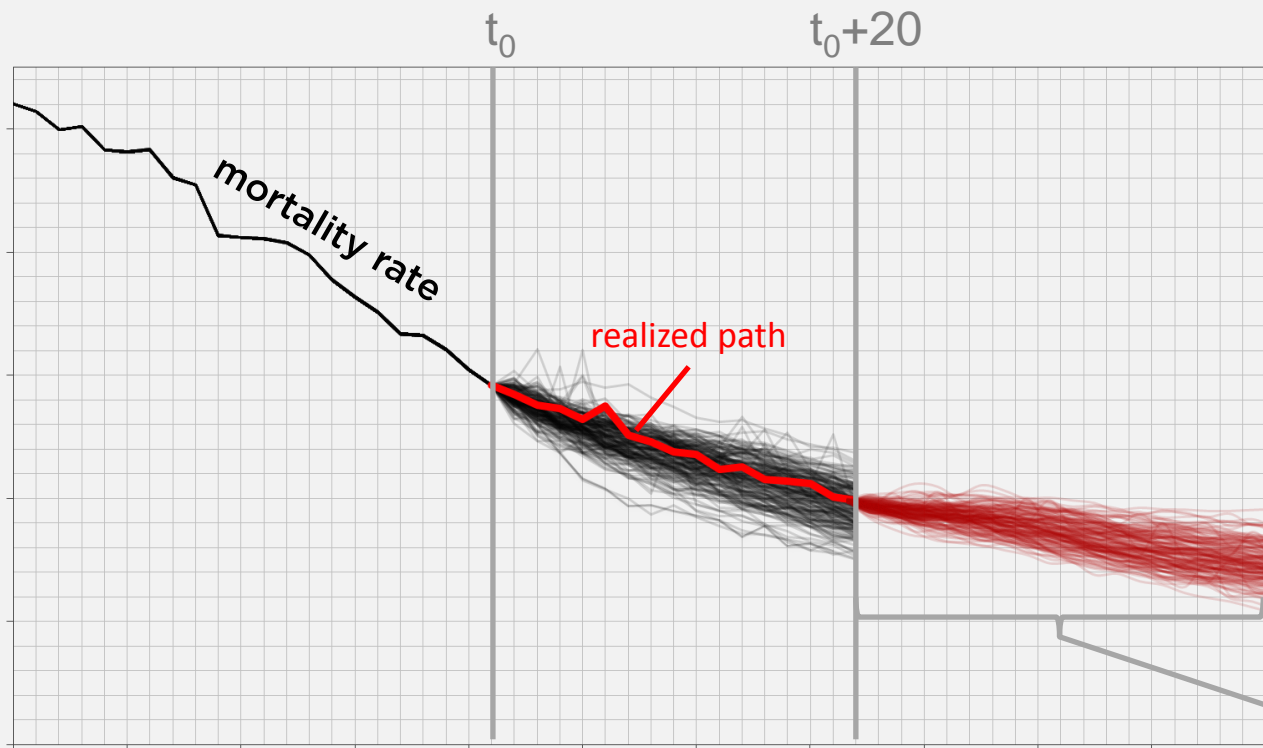
Simulating Risk Period Mortality



Mortality paths up to t_0+20 simulated using:

- Longevity model +
- Infectious disease model

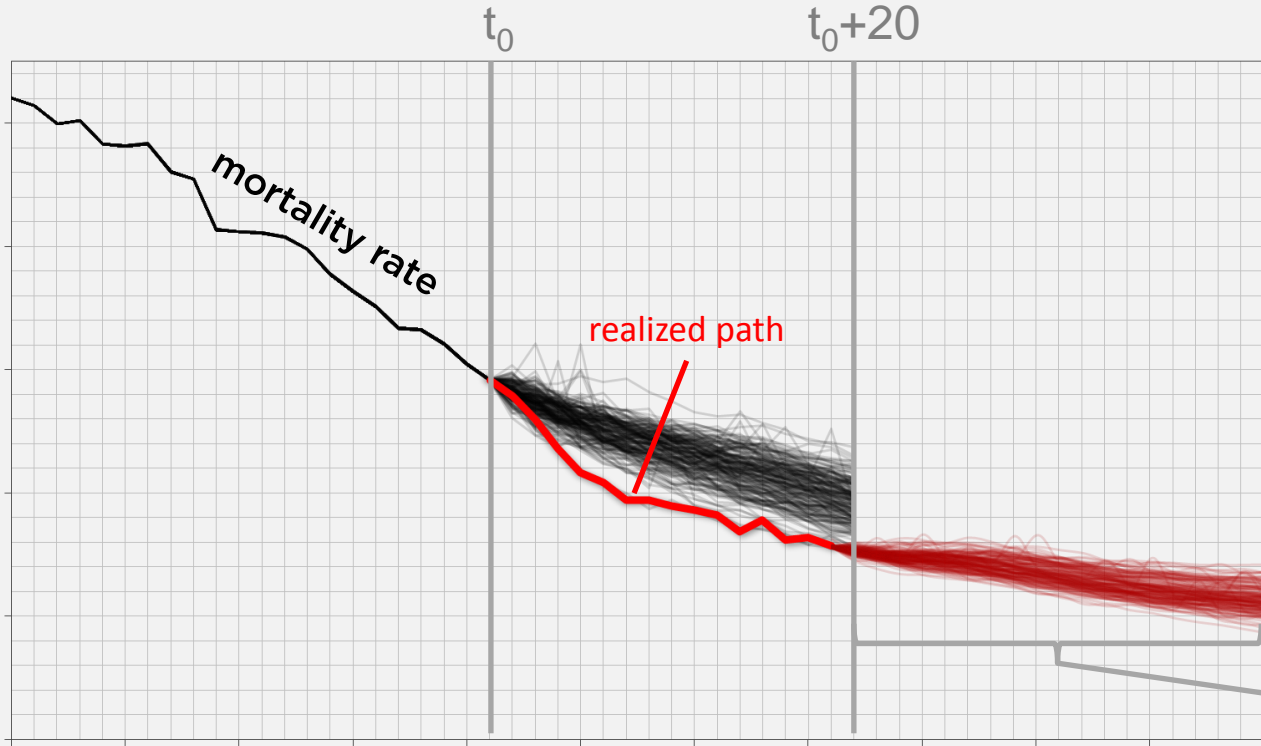
Projecting Commutation Period Mortality



Projection based on
"re-parametrized" model

Projected paths over
Commutation Period

Projecting Commutation Period Mortality



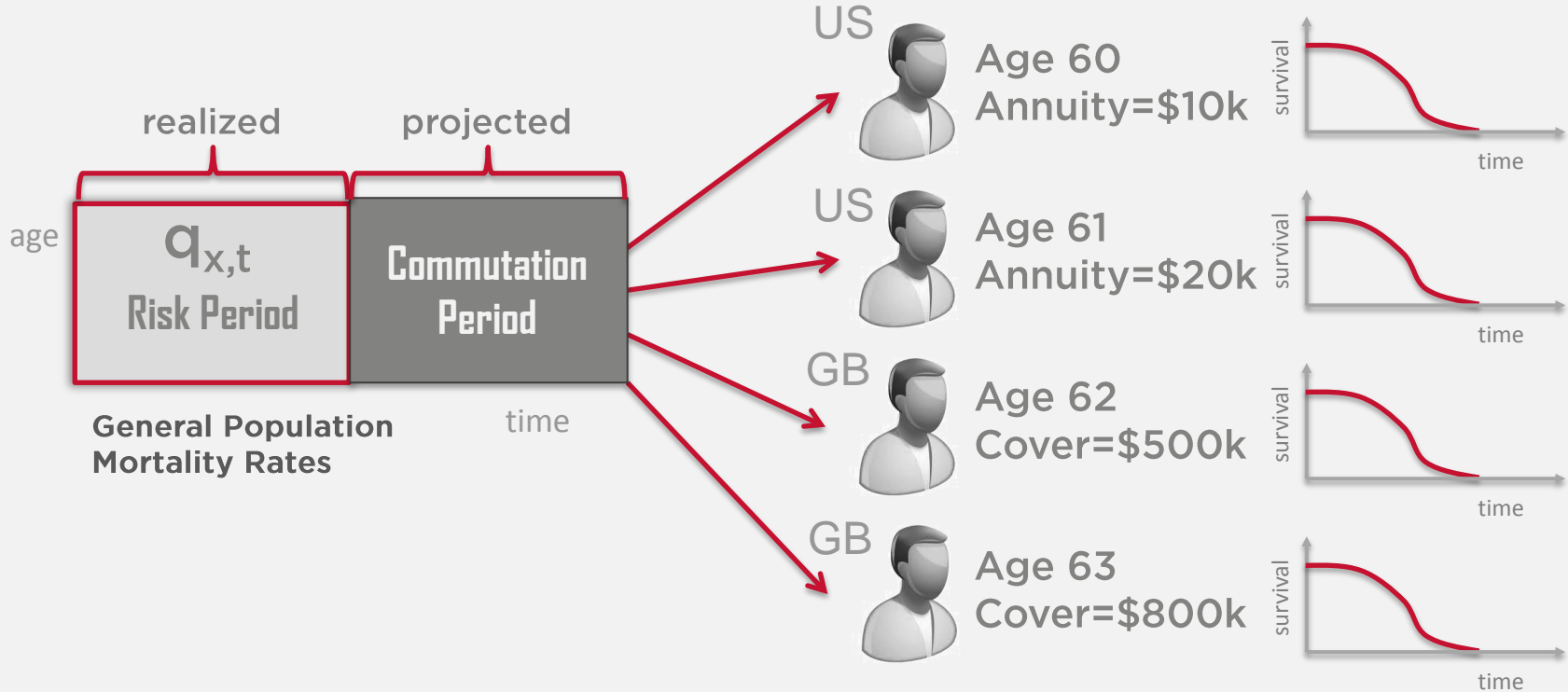
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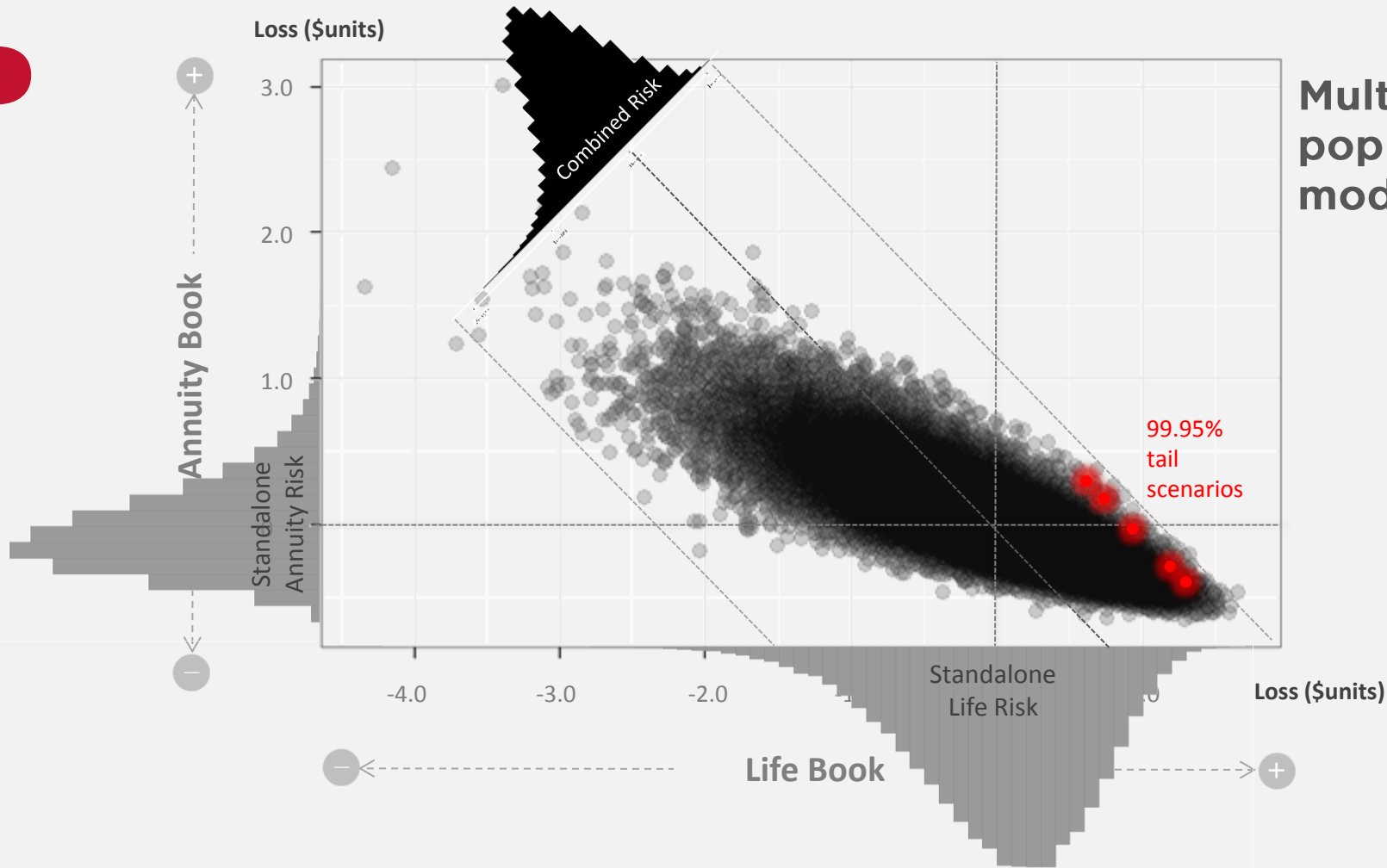
Projected paths over
commutation period

Cash Flow Index

Capturing Sponsor Portfolio

Survival Curve For Each Portfolio Member



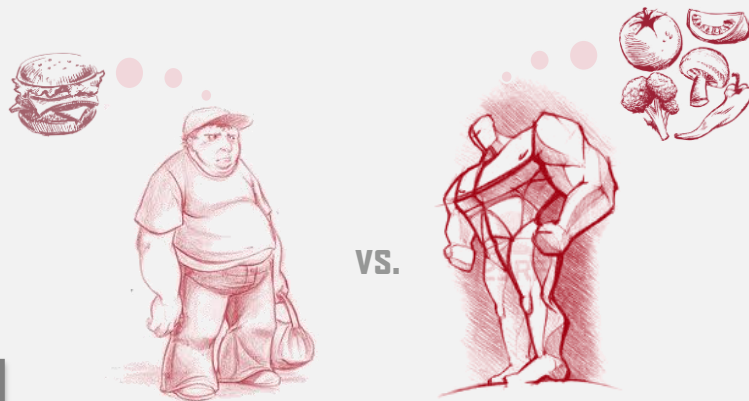
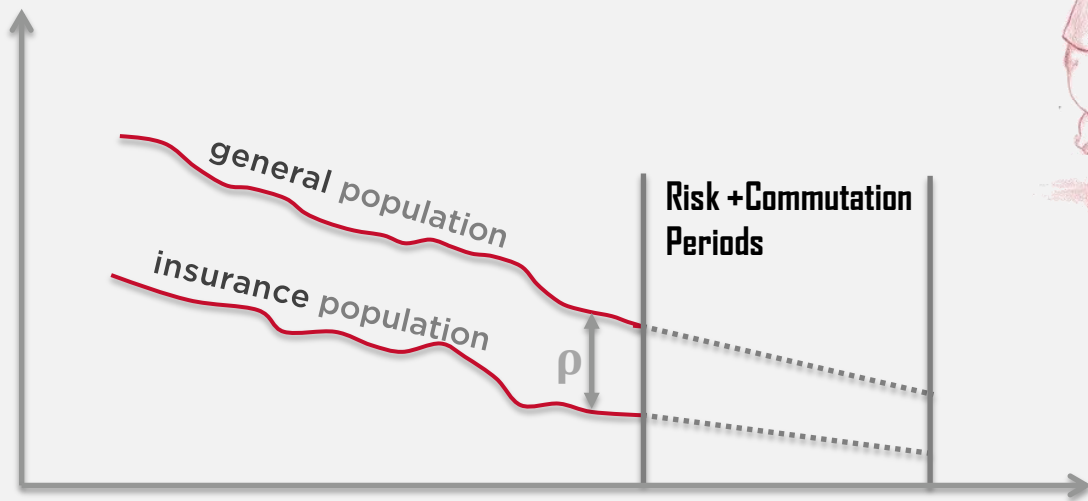


Multi-population modeling

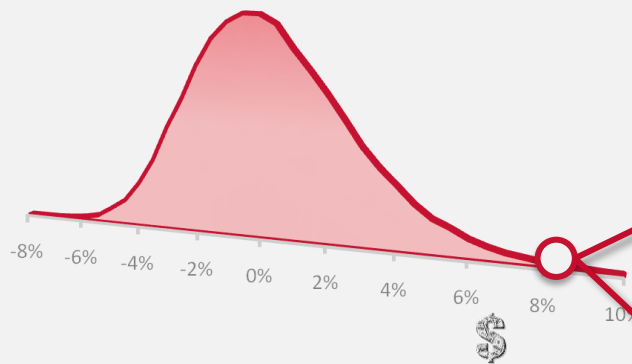
Cash Flow Index

Bridging the Socio-Economic Gap

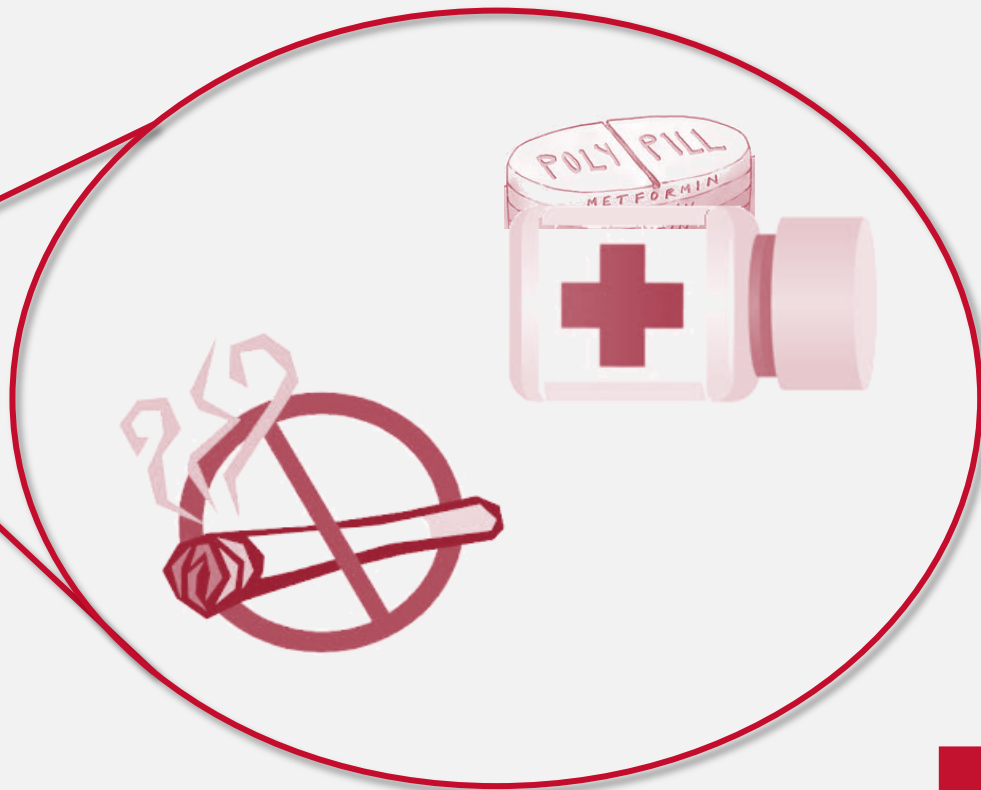
- Sponsor selects “*experience ratio*”
- Used to adjust realized general population $q(x,t)$



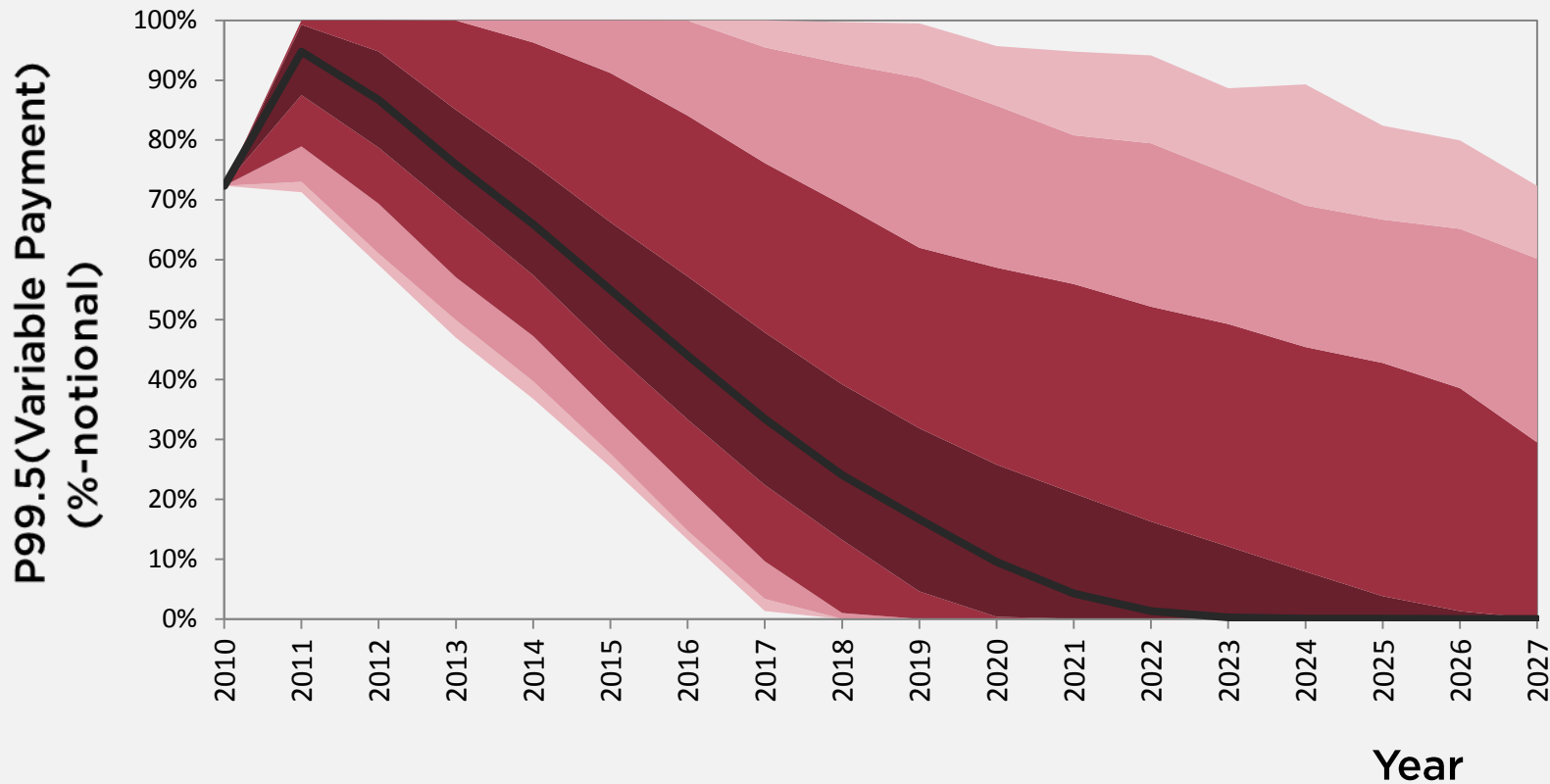
Illustrating Tail Events



What lifestyle / medical advances could drive the cash-flow index into the tail?



Marking to Model



Limiting Complexity for Risk Takers

1. Risk Period

$q_{x,t}$
Realized

Limiting Complexity for Risk Takers

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2. Commutation
Period

$q_{x,t}$
Projected

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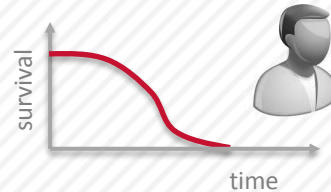
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3. Annuitant Survival



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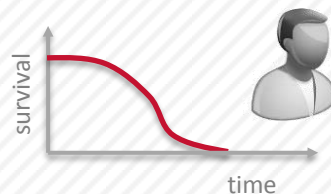
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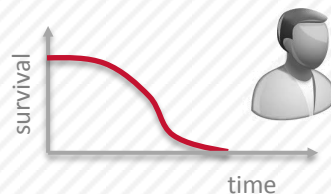
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5. Attach and Exhaust



4. Cashflow Index



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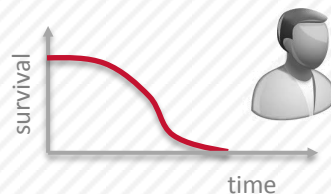
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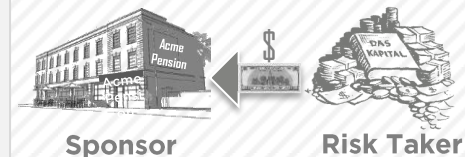
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4. Cashflow Index



6. Variable Payment



Limiting Complexity for Risk Takers

Pay-off Function

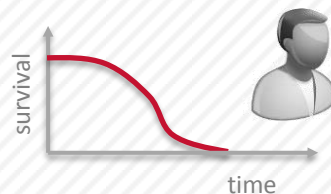
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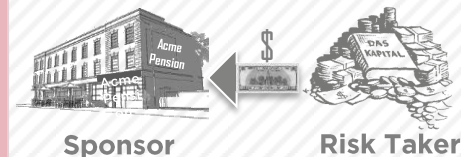
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