



Halb-Mack Stochastische Reservierung

Bahnhofskolloquium

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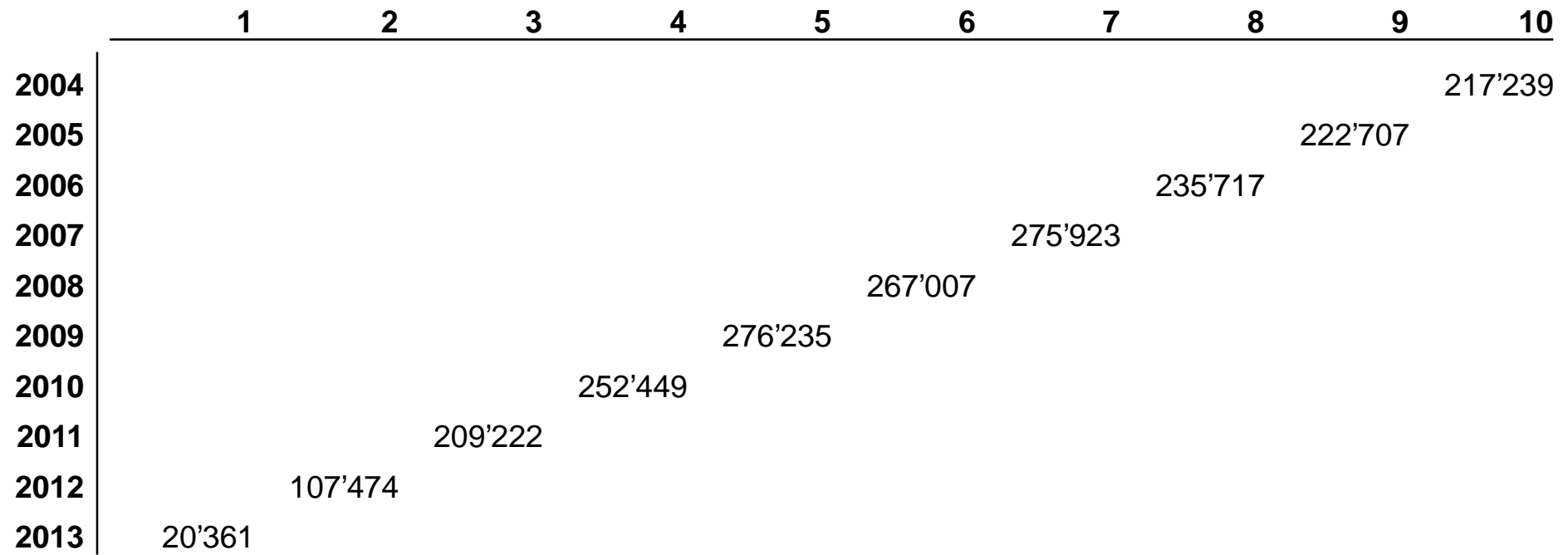
A Loss Development



US NAIC Schedule P Data: medical malpractice

2004	217'239
2005	222'707
2006	235'717
2007	275'923
2008	267'007
2009	276'235
2010	252'449
2011	209'222
2012	107'474
2013	20'361

A Loss Development



A Loss Development Triangle



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2004		47'258	95'054	131'616	165'117	181'937	198'395	206'068	213'374	217'239
2005	9'433	51'855	98'976	149'169	175'588	197'590	211'242	217'986	222'707	
2006	11'996	54'742	118'964	163'695	190'391	213'972	225'199	235'717		
2007	9'517	73'420	146'347	199'262	244'987	260'333	275'923			
2008	12'479	78'212	157'400	209'959	244'018	267'007				
2009	18'229	90'710	166'325	227'891	276'235					
2010	14'952	94'303	186'577	252'449						
2011	17'995	110'181	209'222							
2012	20'390	107'474								
2013	20'361									

accident years

calendar years

development years

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A Loss Development Square



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2006	11'996	54'742	118'964	163'695	190'391	213'972	225'199	235'717	246'235	256'753
2007	9'517	73'420	146'347	199'262	244'987	260'333	275'923	291'513	307'103	322'693
2008	12'479	78'212	157'400	209'959	244'018	267'007	290'996	314'985	338'974	362'963
2009	18'229	90'710	166'325	227'891	276'235	324'579	372'923	421'267	469'611	517'955
2010	14'952	94'303	186'577	252'449	328'321	404'193	479'065	554'937	630'809	706'681
2011	17'995	110'181	209'222	318'263	437'304	556'345	675'386	794'427	913'468	1'032'509
2012	20'390	107'474	216'515	345'556	494'597	643'638	792'679	941'720	1'090'761	1'239'802
2013	20'361	107'445	216'486	345'527	494'568	643'609	792'650	941'691	1'090'732	1'239'773

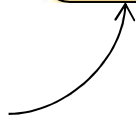
calendar year 2022

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2011	17'995	110'181	209'222	274'772	322'117	355'709	369'967	383'721	392'424	399'426
2012	20'390	107'474	203'137	268'721	322'309	355'155	373'739	383'606	390'761	394'640
2013	20'361	112'636	229'414	312'250	362'737	395'955	414'758	430'788	437'228	447'198

ultimates



US NAIC Schedule P Data



- http://www.casact.org/research/index.cfm?fa=loss_reserves_data

- Many carriers

- 6 lines of business
 1. personal auto
 2. commercial auto
 3. medical malpractice
 4. workers compensation
 5. general liability
 6. product liability

Agenda



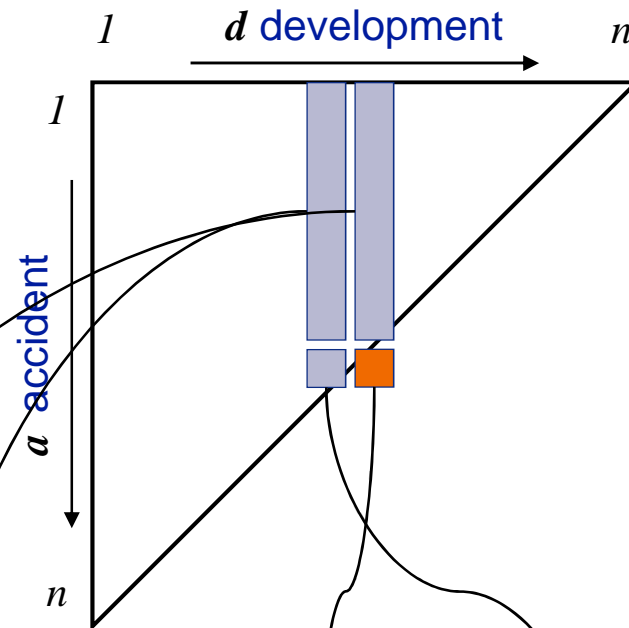
- Mack Chain Ladder Procedure
- Half-Mack Procedure
- Half-Mack Sampling

Chain Ladder Procedure



Notations:

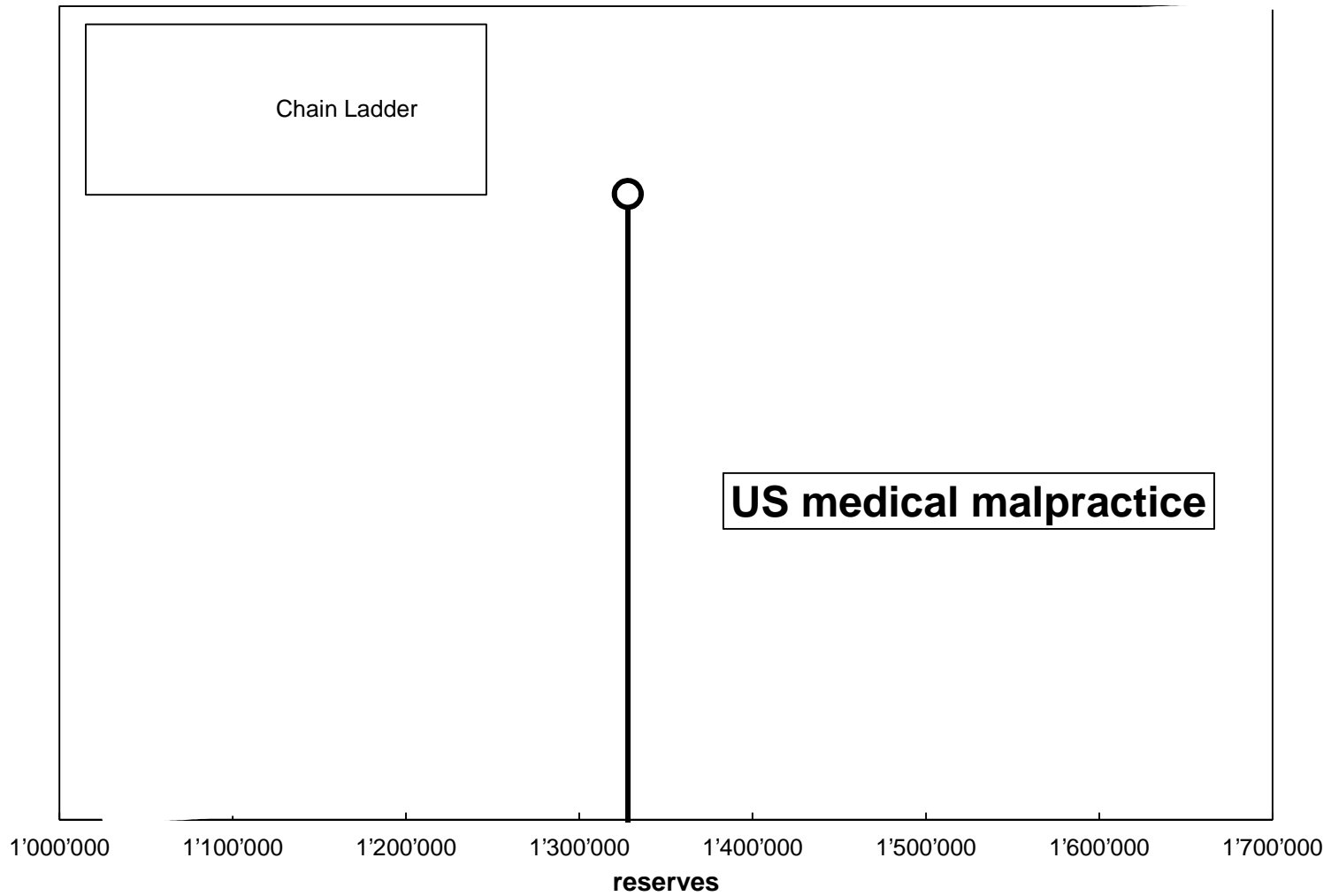
- a = accident year
- d = development year
- $C_{a,d}$ = cumulative losses



Algorithm:

$$\} _{d-1} = \frac{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d}}{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d-1}} \quad C_{a,d} = \} _{d-1} \cdot C_{a,d-1}$$

Chain Ladder Reserves



Mack Chain Ladder Procedure



Hypothesis:

$C_{a,d}$ independent for each accident year a

$$E[C_{a,d} | C_{a,1} \cdots C_{a,d-1}] = \} _{d-1} \cdot C_{a,d-1}$$

$$V[C_{a,d} | C_{a,1} \cdots C_{a,d-1}] = \dagger _{d-1} \cdot C_{a,d-1}$$

Variance proportional to the mean

Same development pattern for all accident years

Future depends only on the last diagonal

Independent accident years

Mack Chain Ladder Procedure



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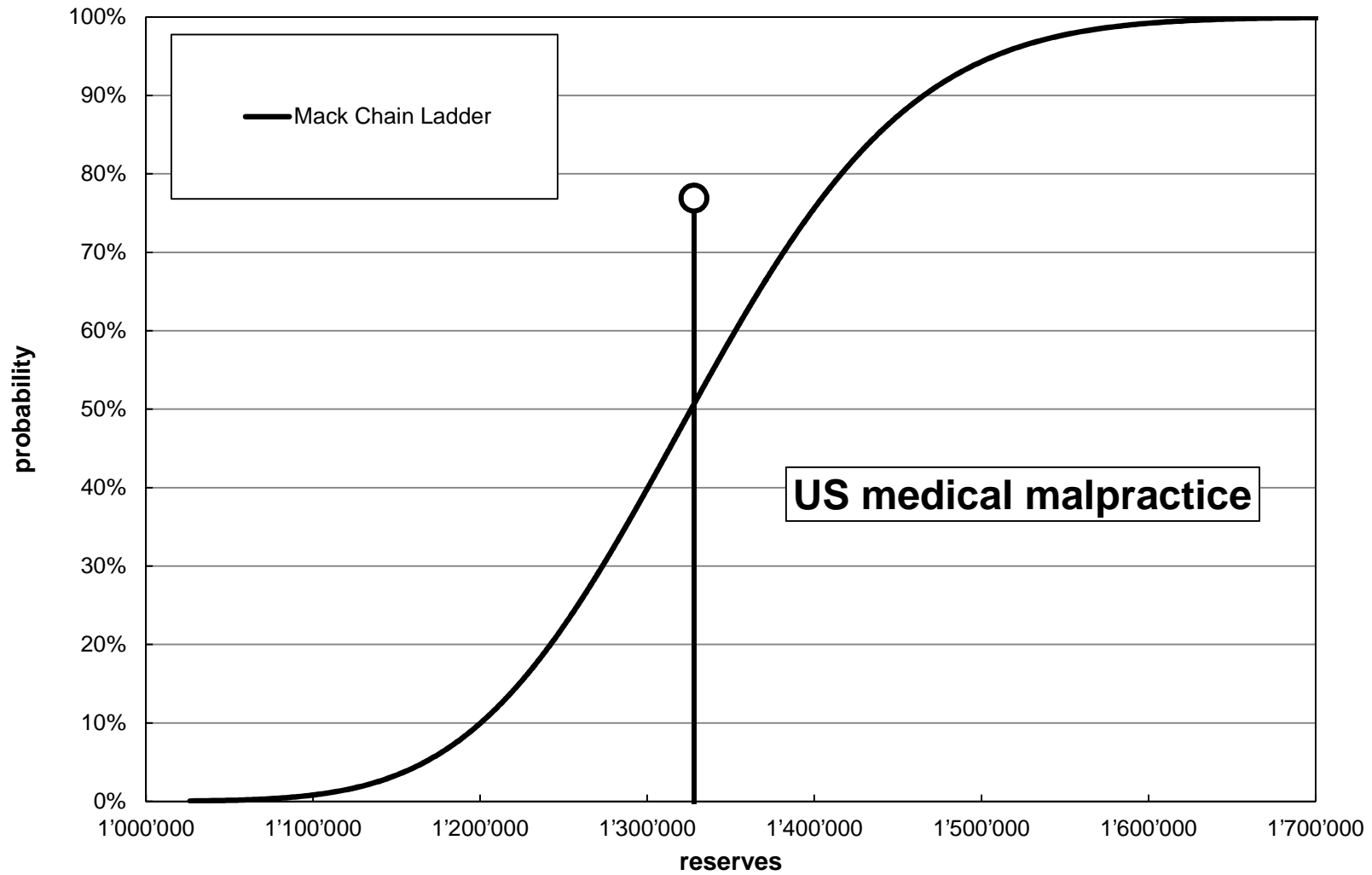
Consequences:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \} _{d-1} = \frac{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d}}{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d-1}} \rightarrow E[R] \\ \dagger _{d-1} = \frac{1}{n-d} \sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d-1} \left(\frac{C_{a,d}}{C_{a,d-1}} - \} _{d-1} \right)^2 \rightarrow V[R] \end{array} \right.$$

Application:

- Assume an underlying distribution of the reserves
- Fit with the first 2 moments

Mack Chain Ladder Reserves



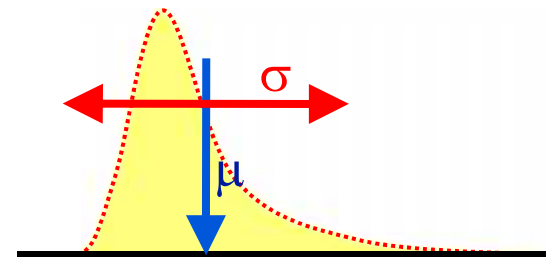
Mack Chain Ladder Procedure



- Systematic & statistical errors
- Non-parametric



- No smoothing/adjustment of the development factors
- No tail factors
- Only 2 moments



Mack Chain Ladder Procedure



Hypothesis:

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Consequences:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \} _{d-1} = \frac{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d}}{\sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d-1}} \rightarrow E[R] \quad E[a2u_d] \\ \dagger _{d-1} = \frac{1}{n-d} \sum_{a=1}^{n-d+1} C_{a,d-1} \left(\frac{C_{a,d}}{C_{a,d-1}} - \} _{d-1} \right)^2 \rightarrow V[R] \quad V[a2u_d] \end{array} \right.$$

Application:

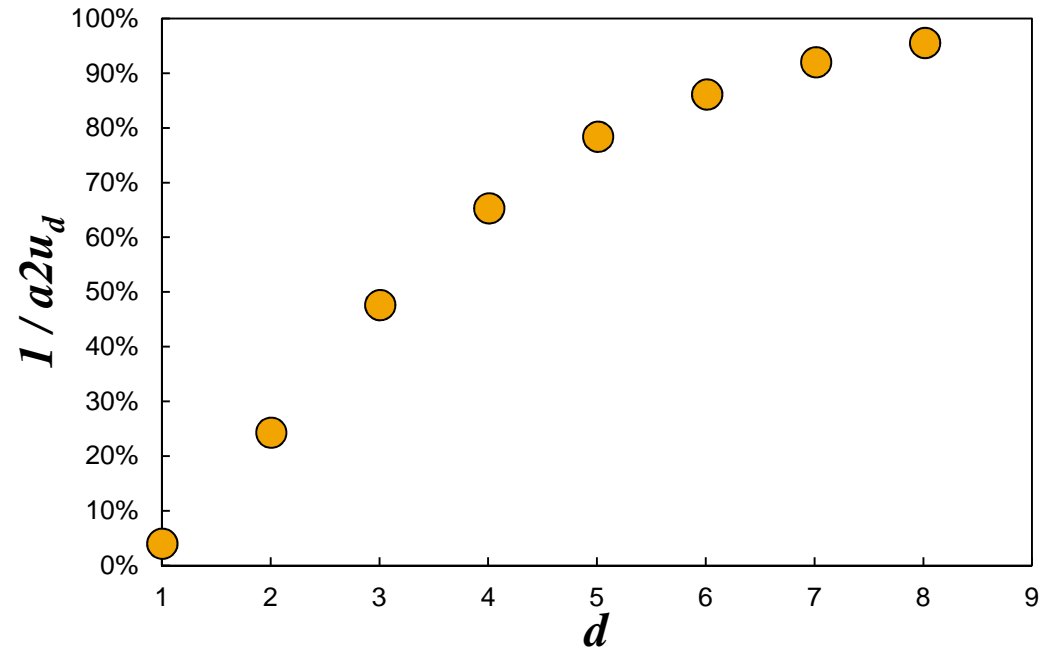
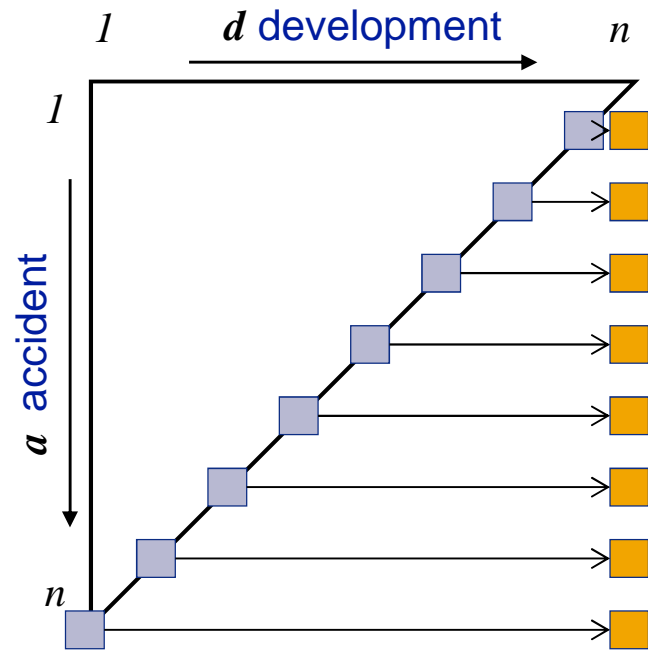
- Assume an underlying distribution of the reserves
- Fit with the first 2 moments
- Take over the first 2 moments only of the development factors
- Fit a model to the development factors

Agenda



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- Half-Mack Procedure
- Half-Mack Sampling

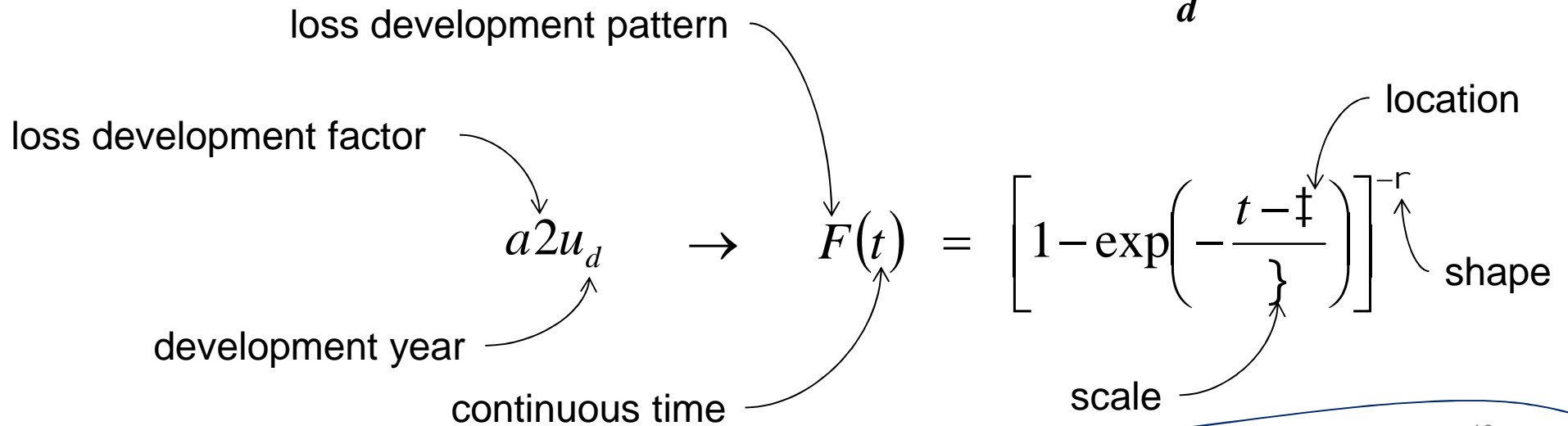
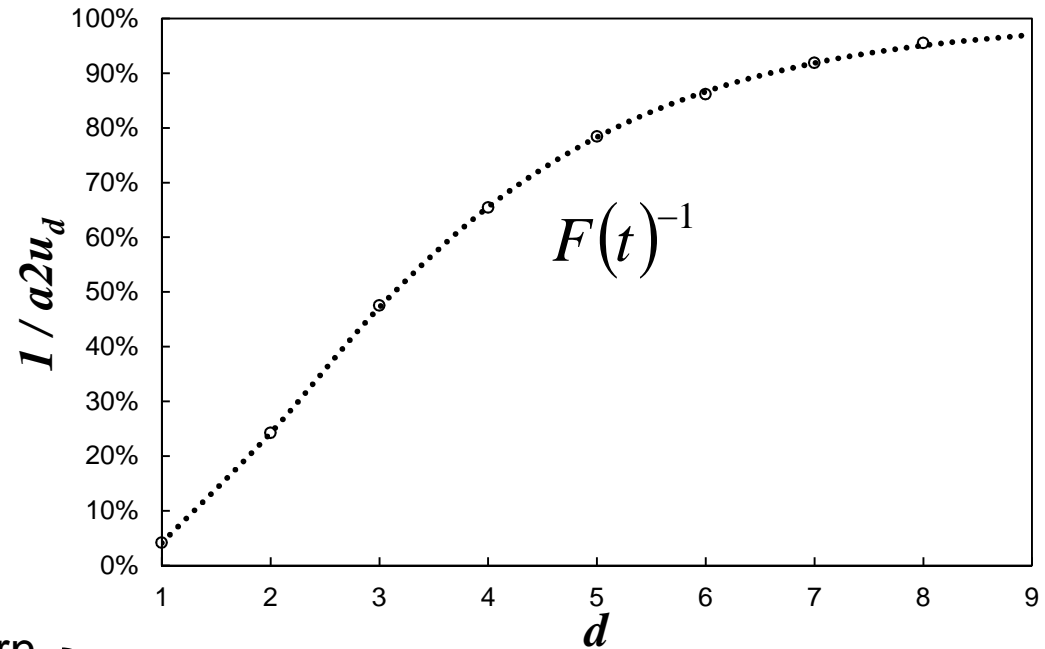
Loss Development Pattern



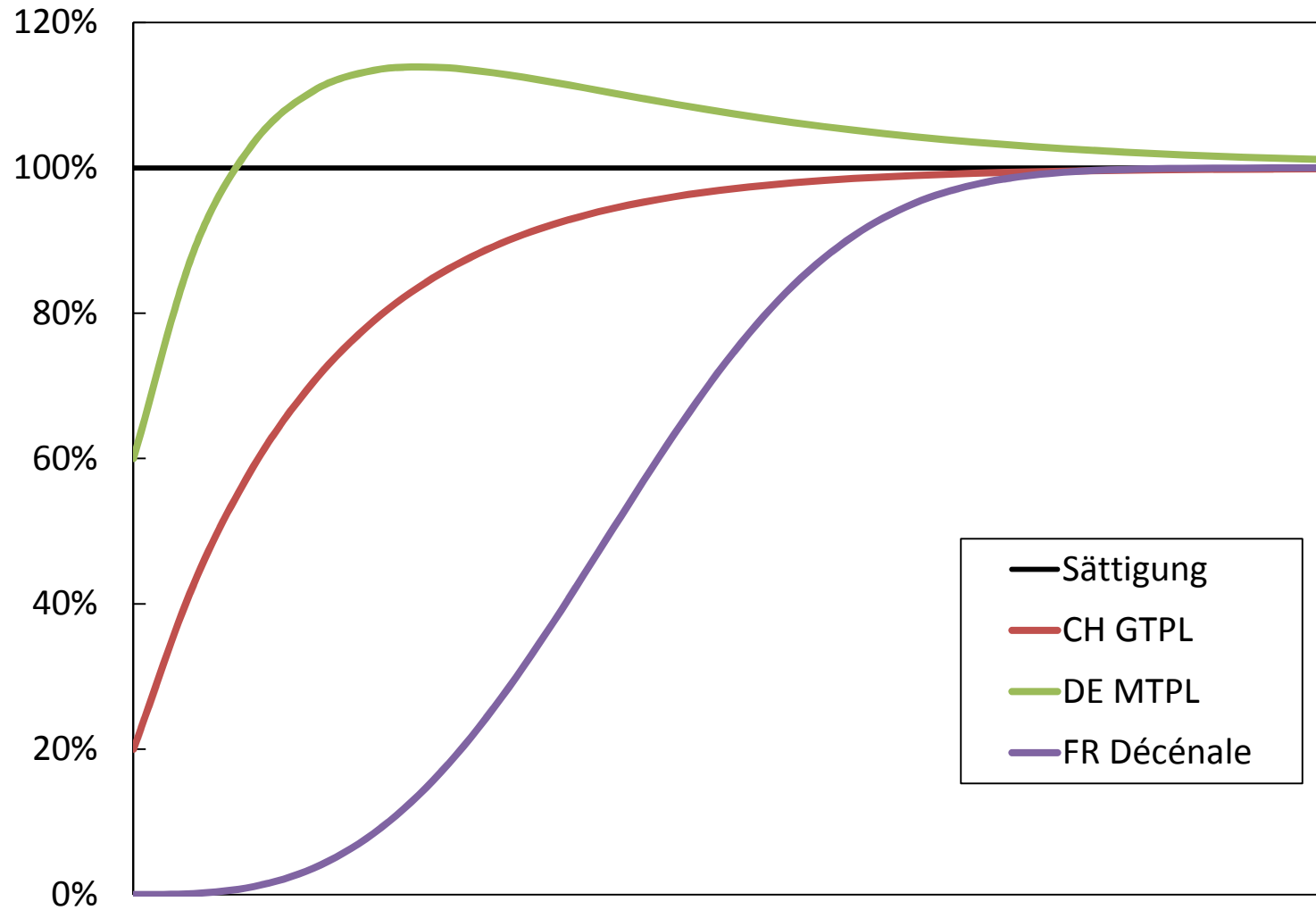
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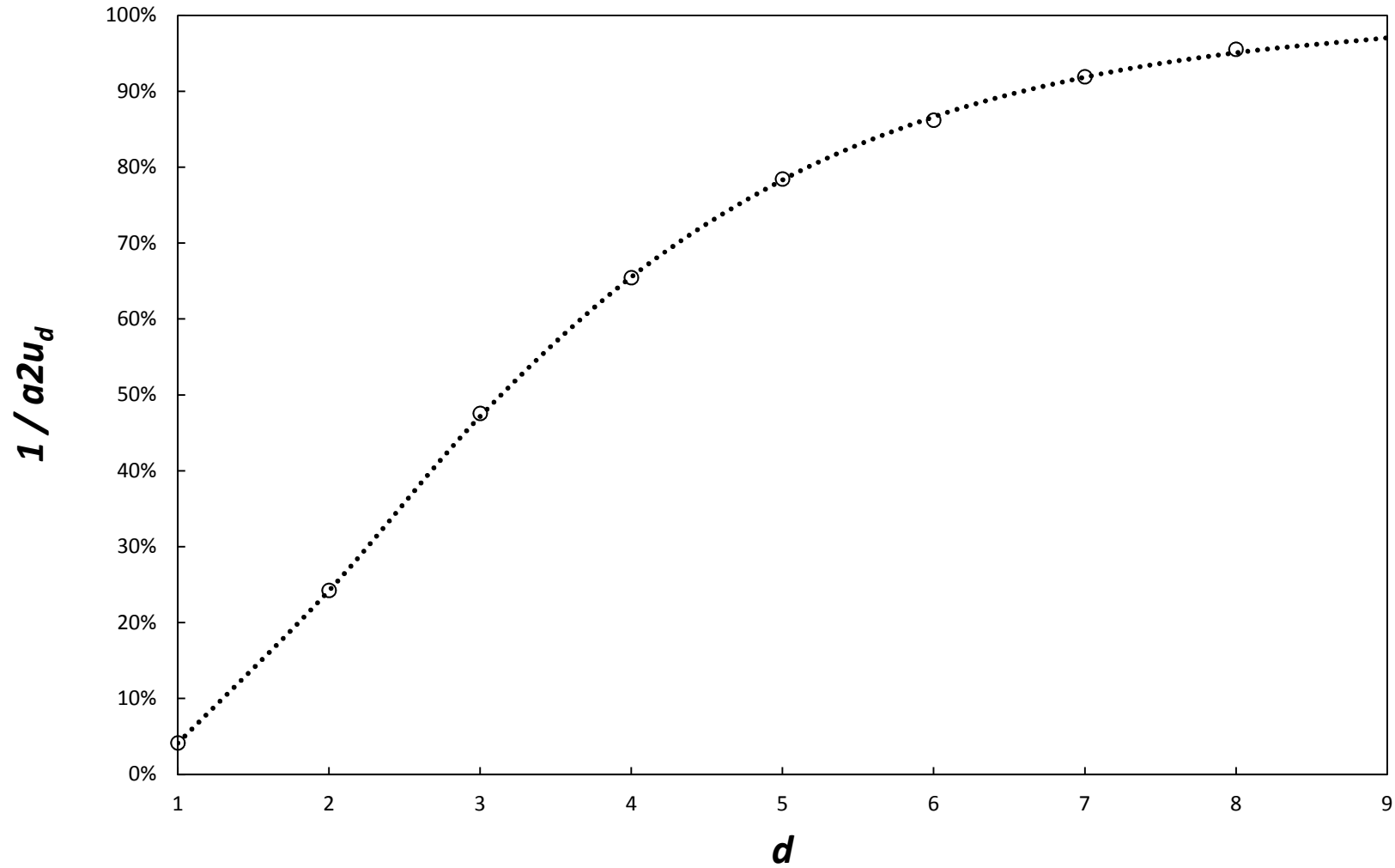
- Reserving actuaries tricks:
- Adjustments to experience
 - Smoothing
 - Fit to a model



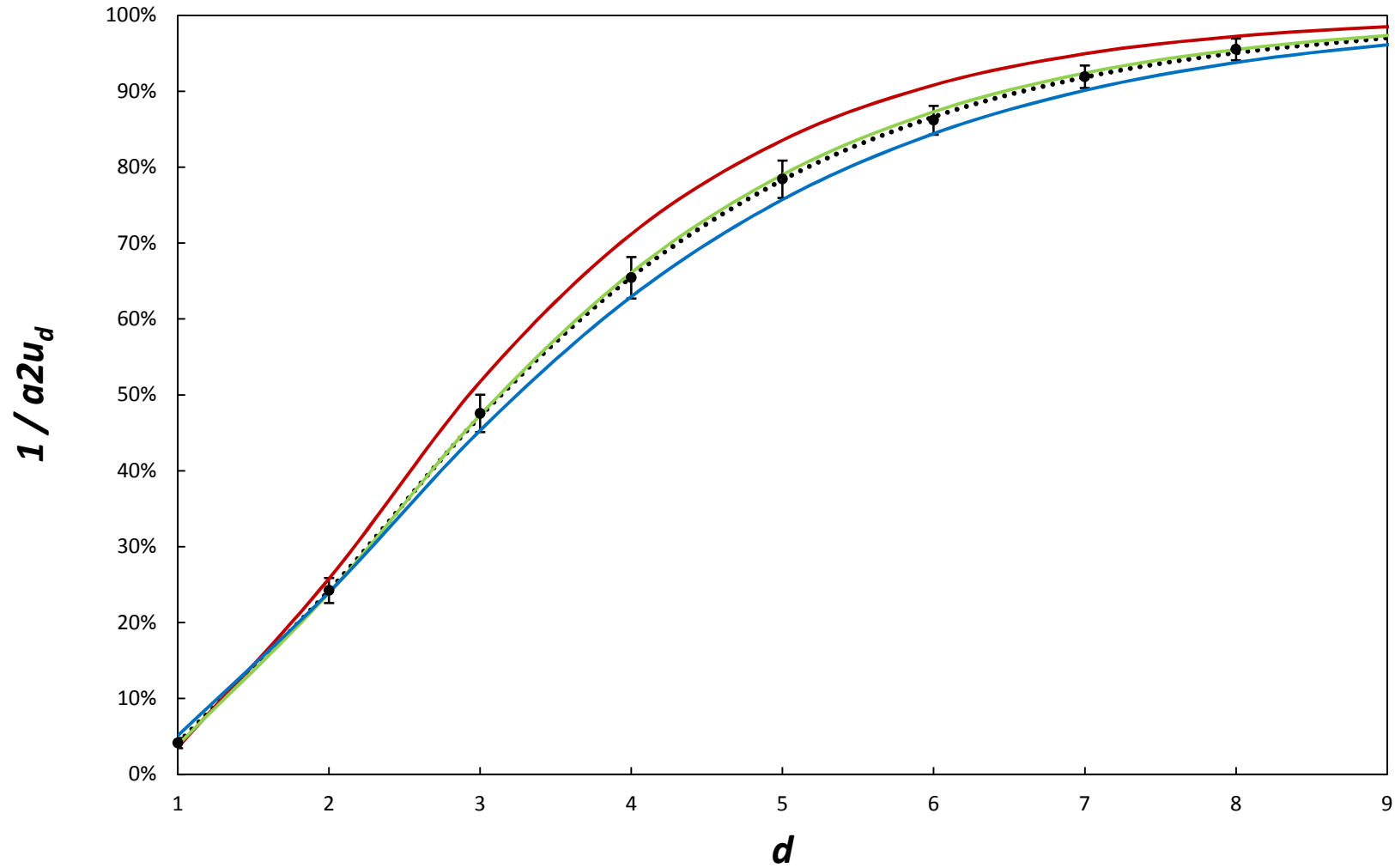
Typical Loss Development Patterns



Loss Development Patterns



Half-Mack Loss Development Patterns



Half-Mack Loss Development Patterns



Fit with t^2 statistic

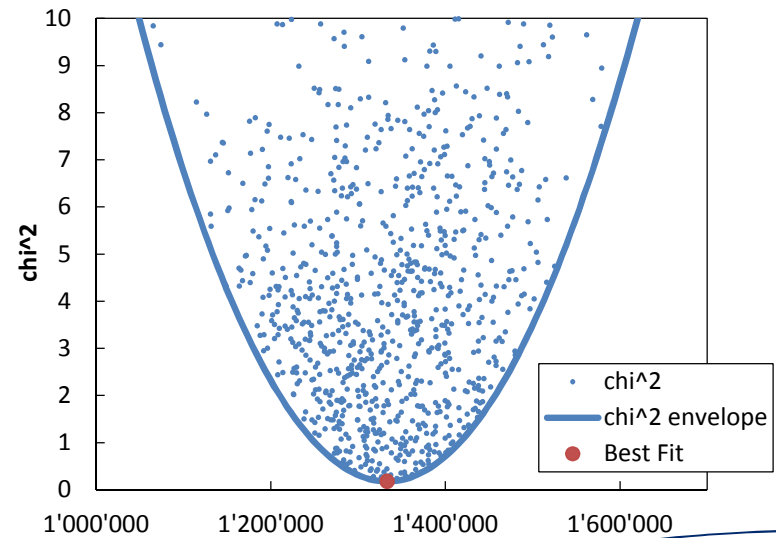
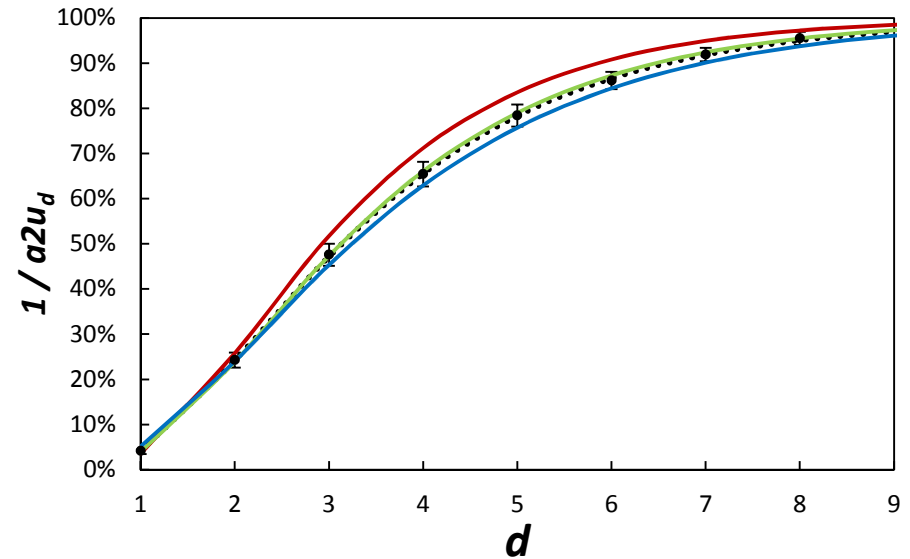
- Best estimate minimizes t^2 function

CL estimation model

$$t^2 = \sum_{d=1}^T \left(\frac{a2u_d - F(d)}{\Delta a2u_d} \right)^2$$

MCL error

- Goodness of fit $\frac{t^2_{\min}}{\text{dof}}$

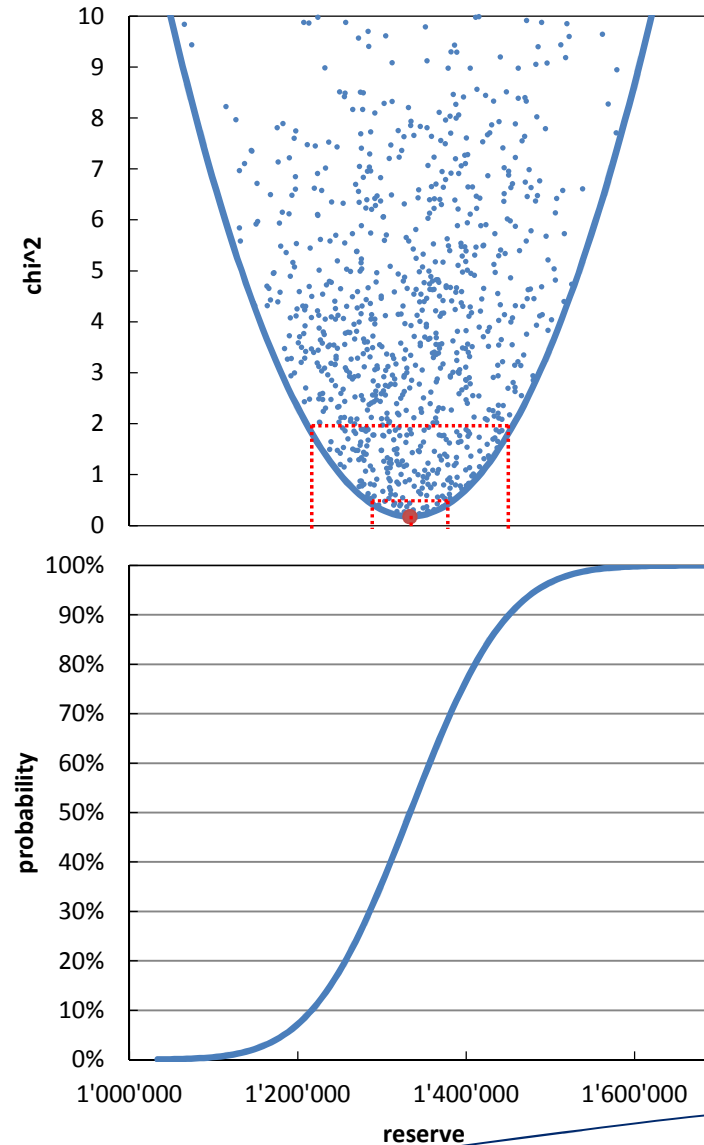


Half-Mack Reserves Distribution

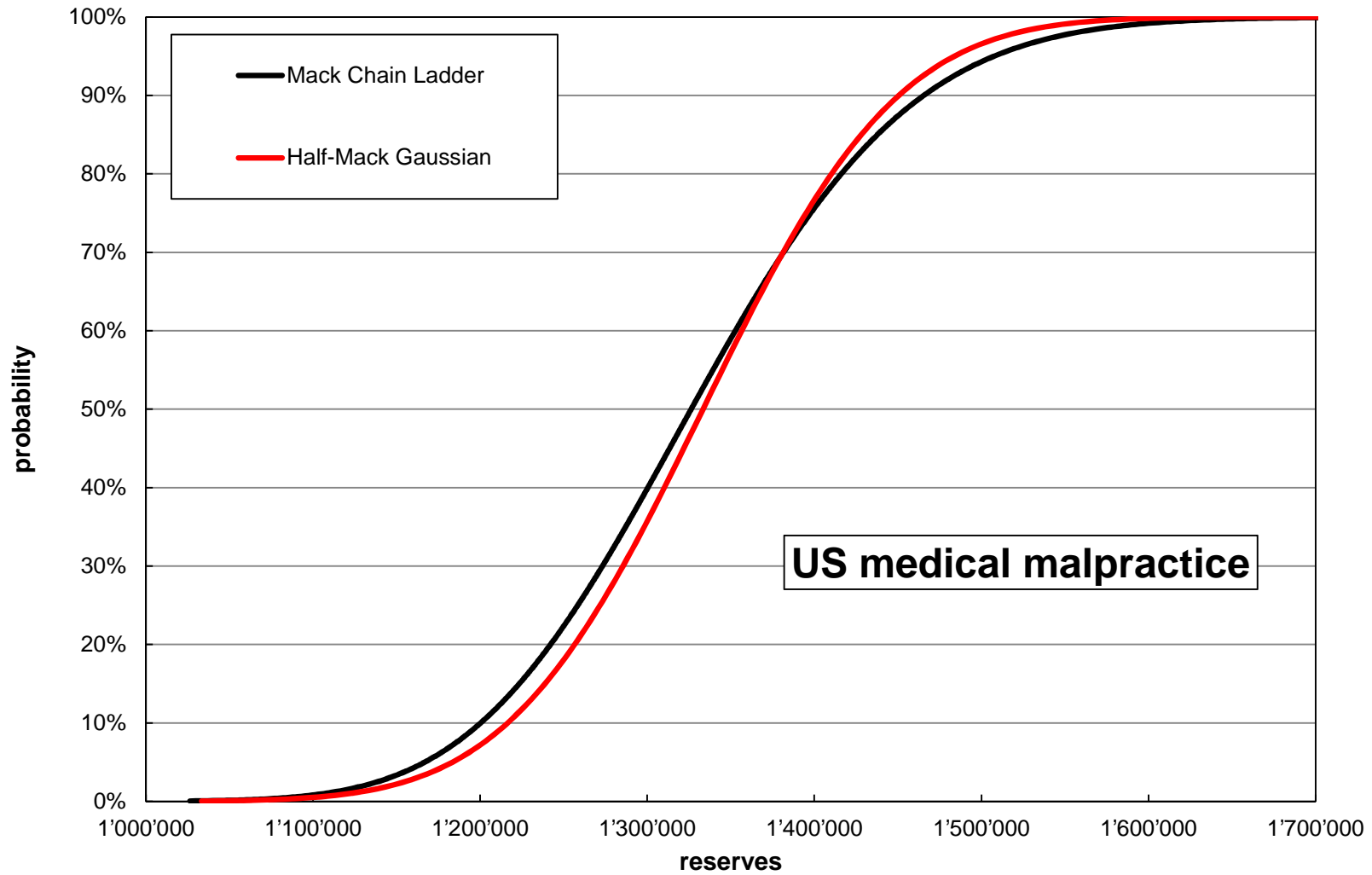


- best fit: $t^2 = t_{\min}^2$
- t^2 confidence intervals
 - $1\uparrow$ interval: $t^2 \leq t_{\min}^2 + 1$
 - p intervals: $t^2 \leq t_{\min}^2 + t^2(p)$

reserves distribution



Mack Chain Ladder Reserves



US medical malpractice

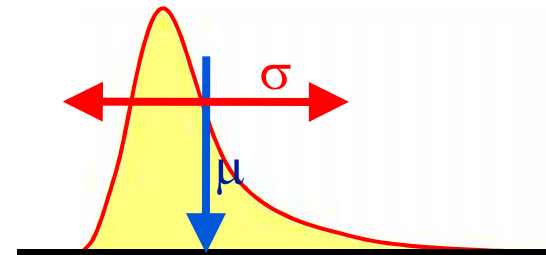
The Mack Chain Ladder Procedure



- Systematic & statistical errors
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- Natural smoothing of the development factors
- Full distribution of reserves
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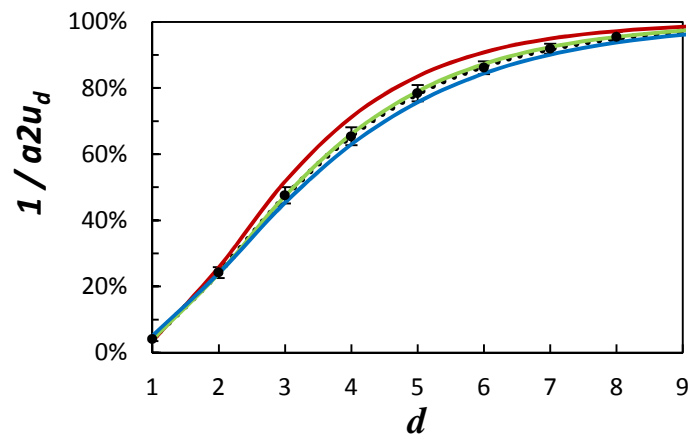
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Procedure



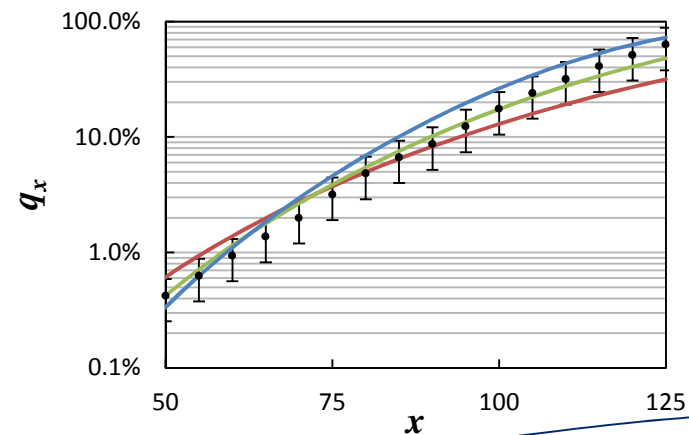
Reserving Risk

- Estimate $a2u_d$ with errors $Ua2u_d$
- Fit $a2u_d$ with $F(d)$
- $F(d)$ determines reserves
- $F(d)$ confidence intervals determine reserves distribution



Parameter Risk in General

- Estimate q_x with errors Uq_x
- Fit q_x with $G(x)$
- $G(x)$ determines EV
- $G(x)$ confidence intervals determine EV distribution



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Half-Mack t^2 Analytic Solution



Hypothesis:

$a2u_d$ fluctuate normally

$a2u_d$ fluctuations are independent

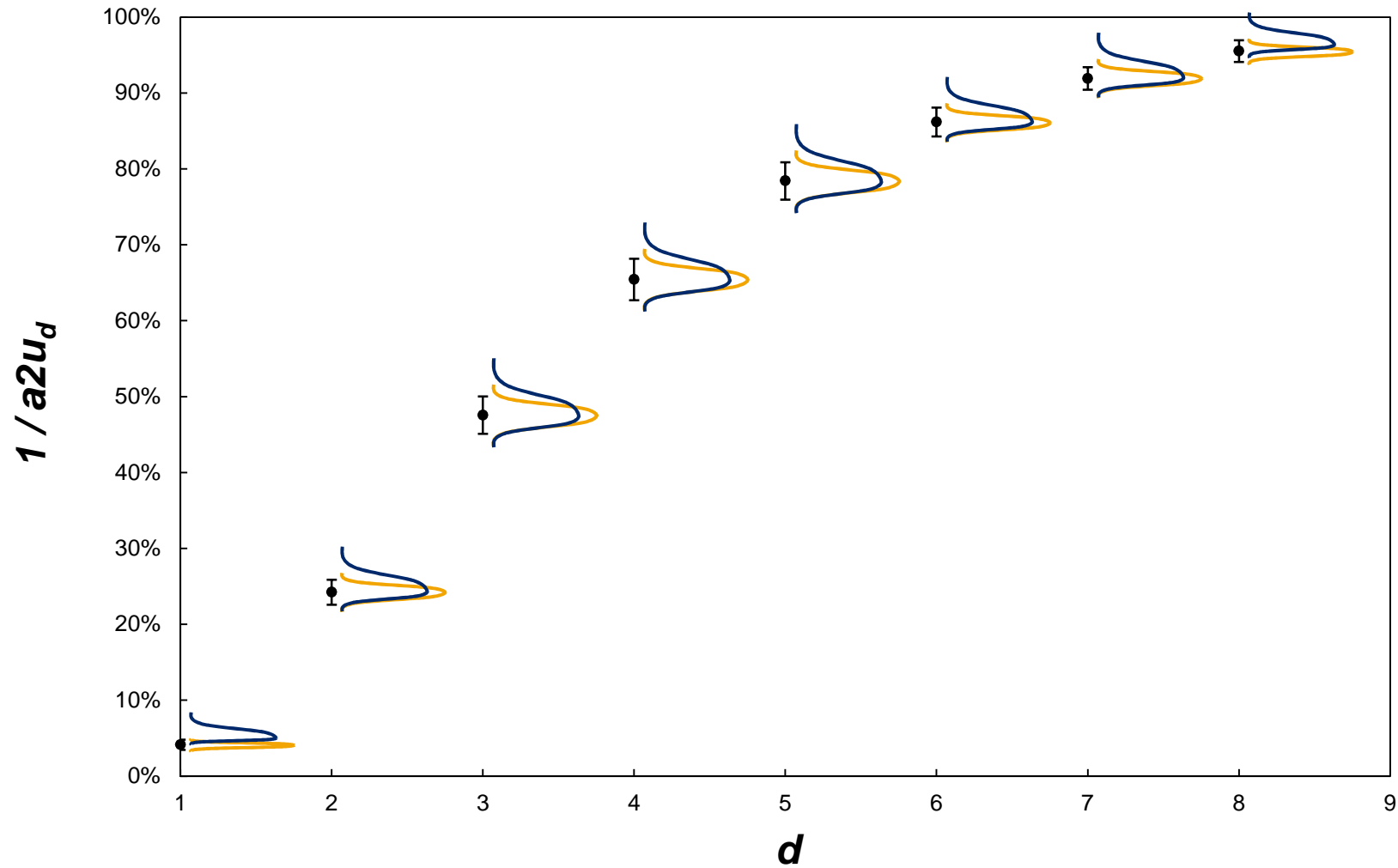
Relaxation 1:

$a2u_d$ fluctuate with fatter tail

Relaxation 2:

$a2u_d$ fluctuate with dependence

Half-Mack Loss Development Patterns

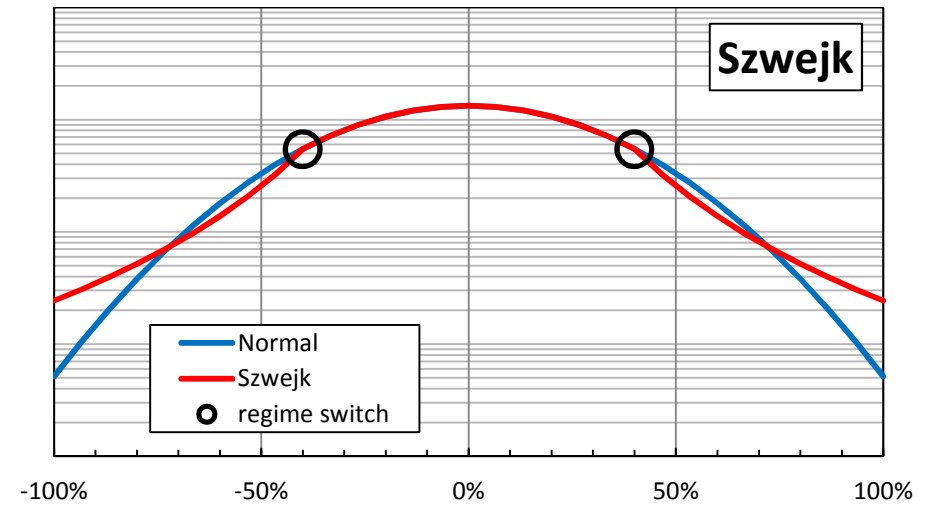
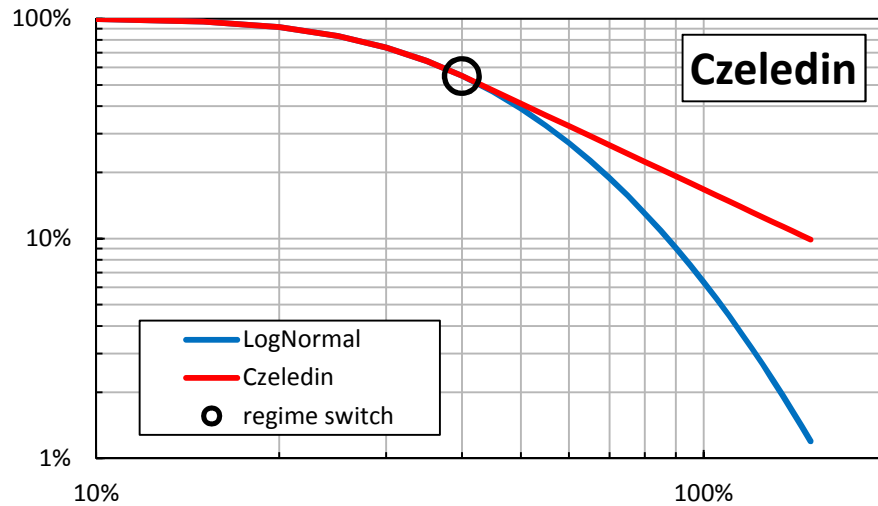
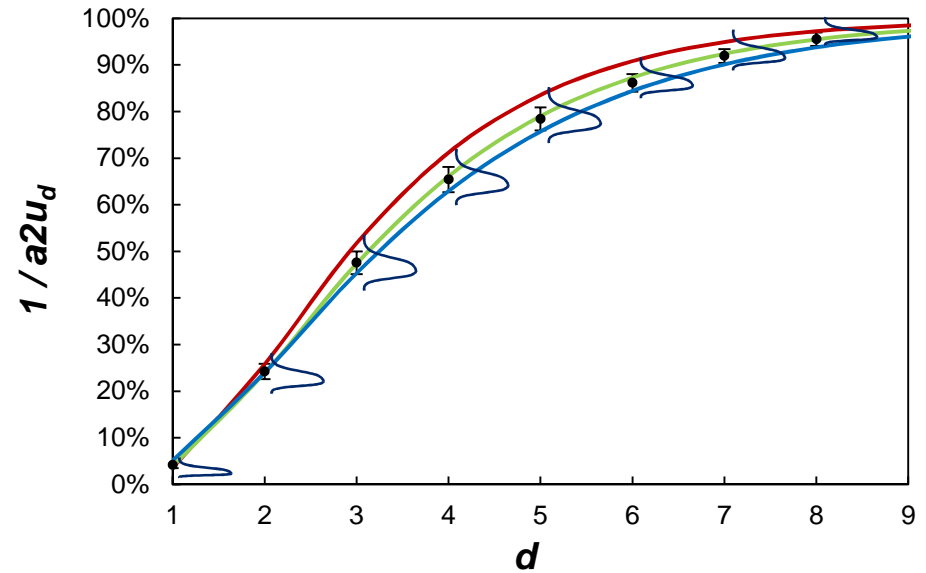


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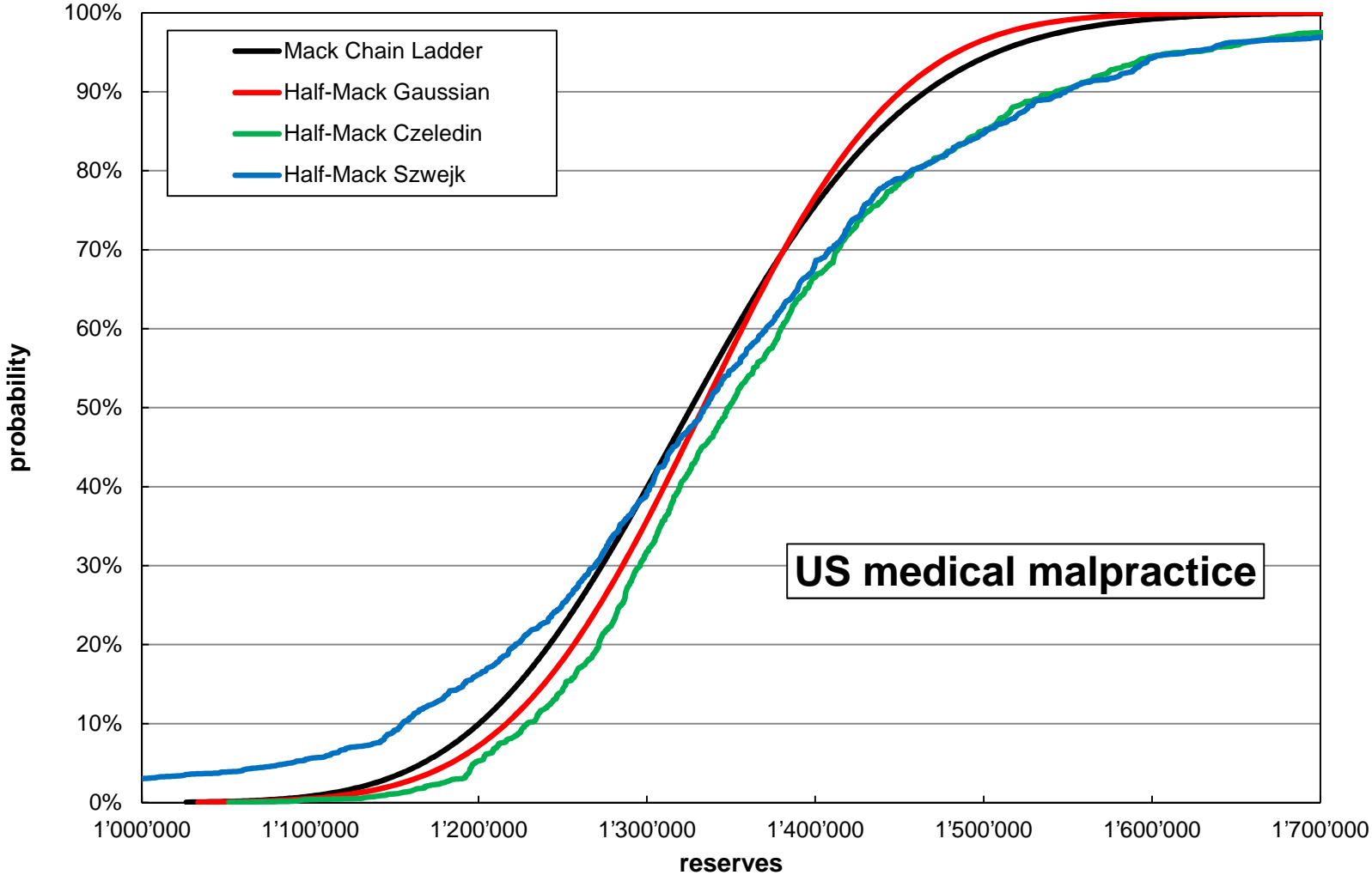


t^2 statistic assumes Gaussian errors
 ⇒ Sample with **fat tails**

- Sample the $a2u_d$
- Fit the best $F(d)$



Half-Mack Reserves in Comparison



US medical malpractice

Half-Mack t^2 Analytic Solution



Hypothesis:

$a2u_d$ normally distributed

$a2u_d$ independent

Relaxation 1:

$a2u_d$ distributed with fatter tail

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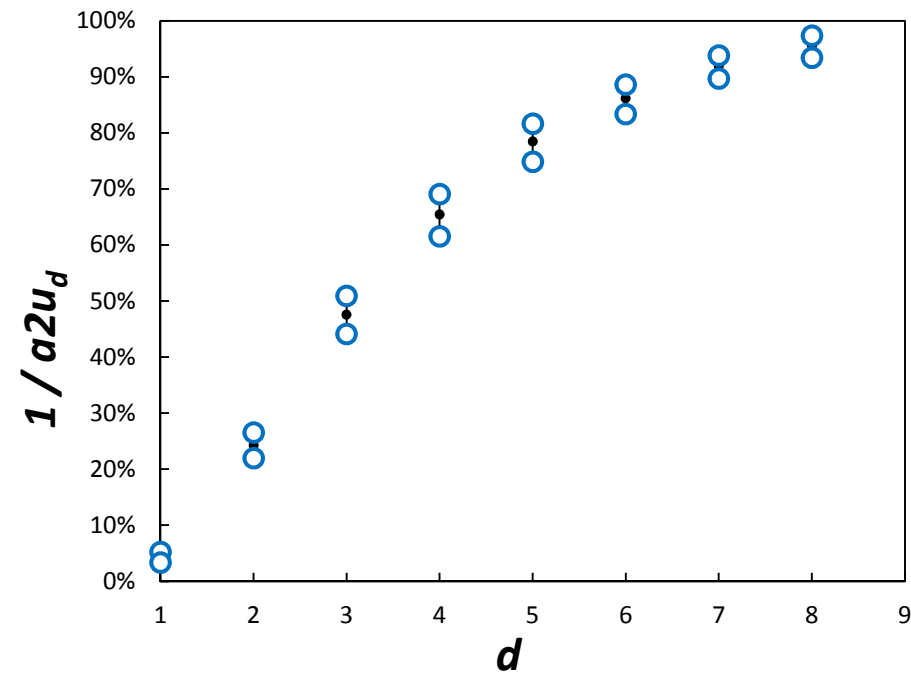
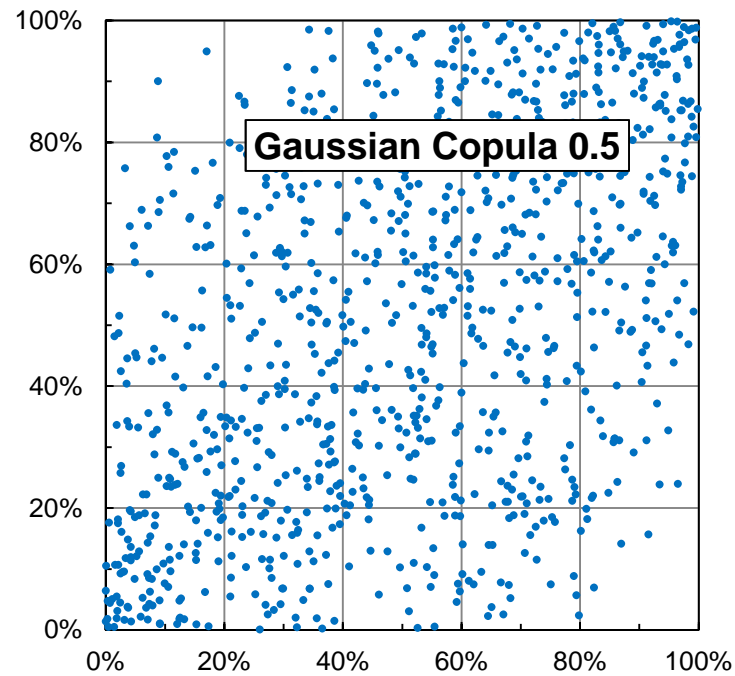
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Half-Mack Sampling



t^2 statistic assumes independent errors

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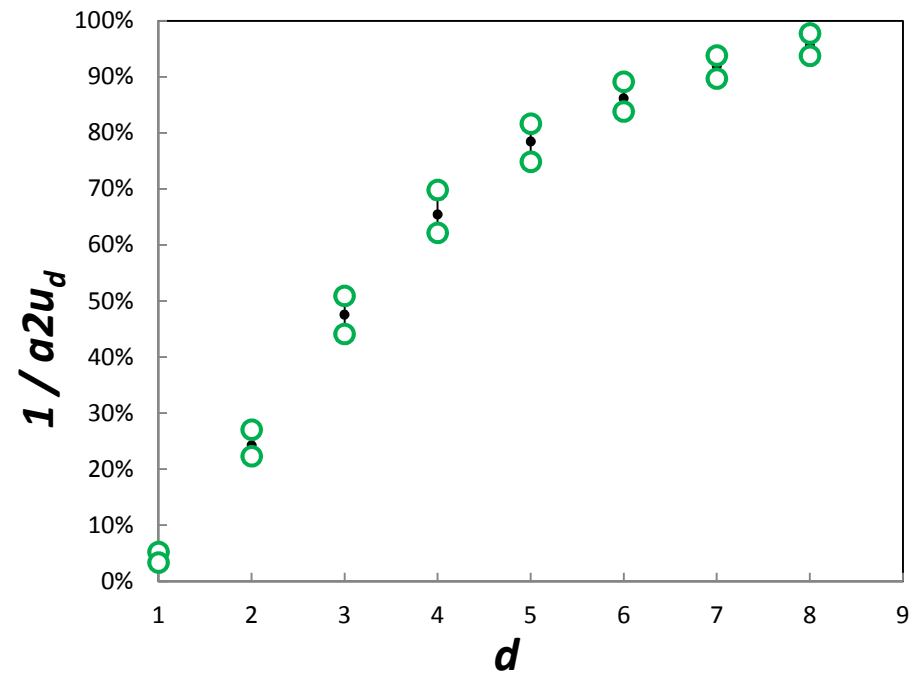
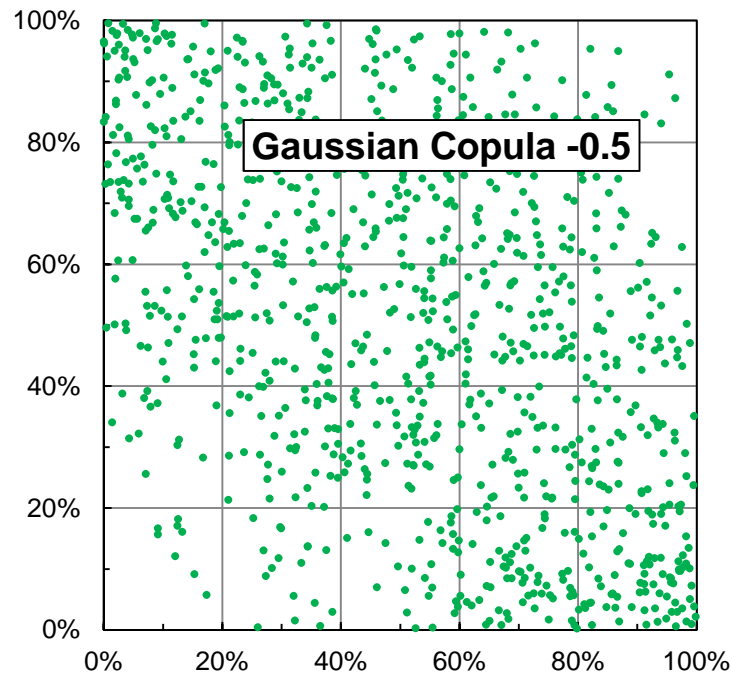


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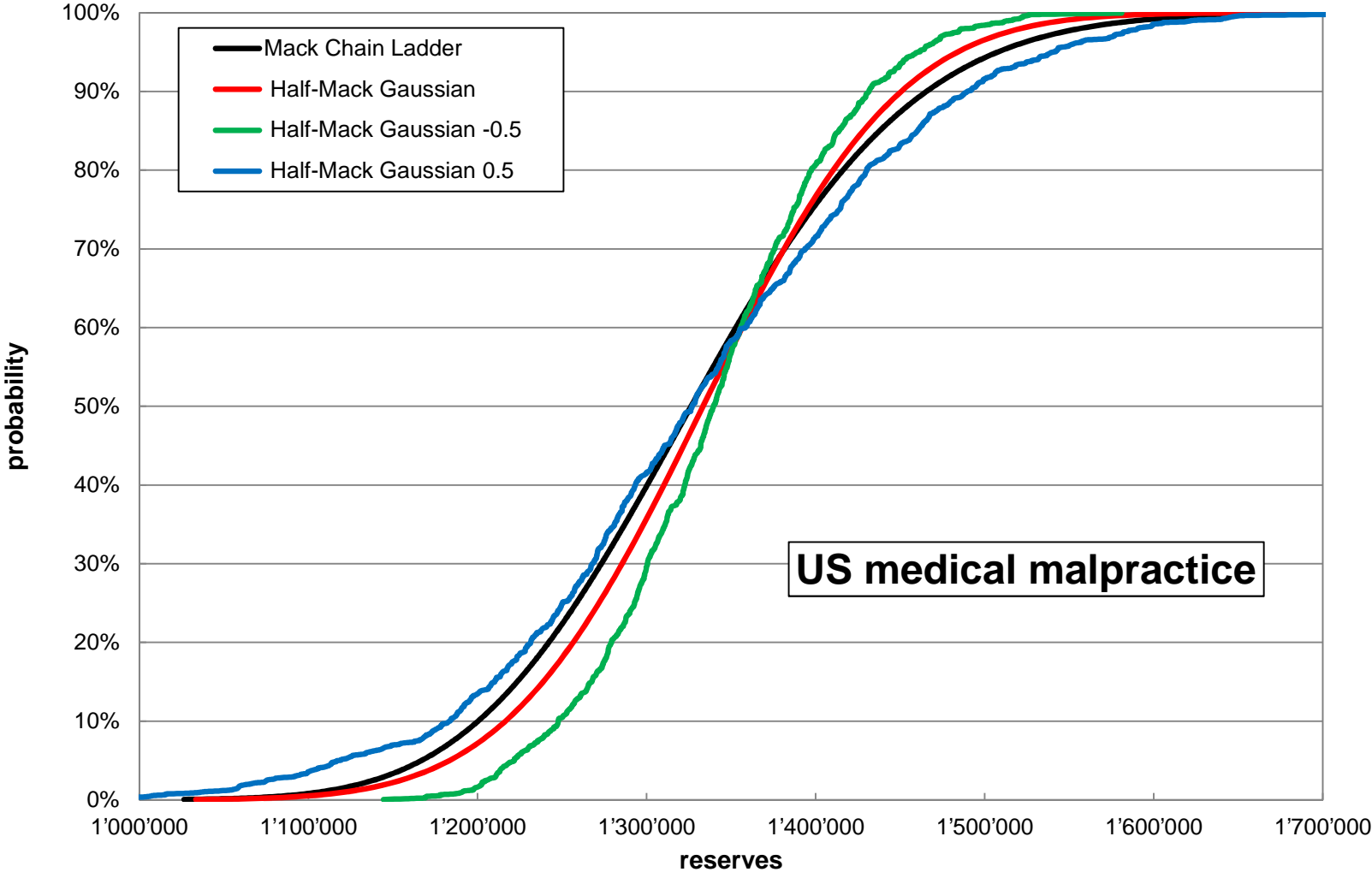


t^2 statistic assumes independent errors \Rightarrow sample with **Gaussian copula**

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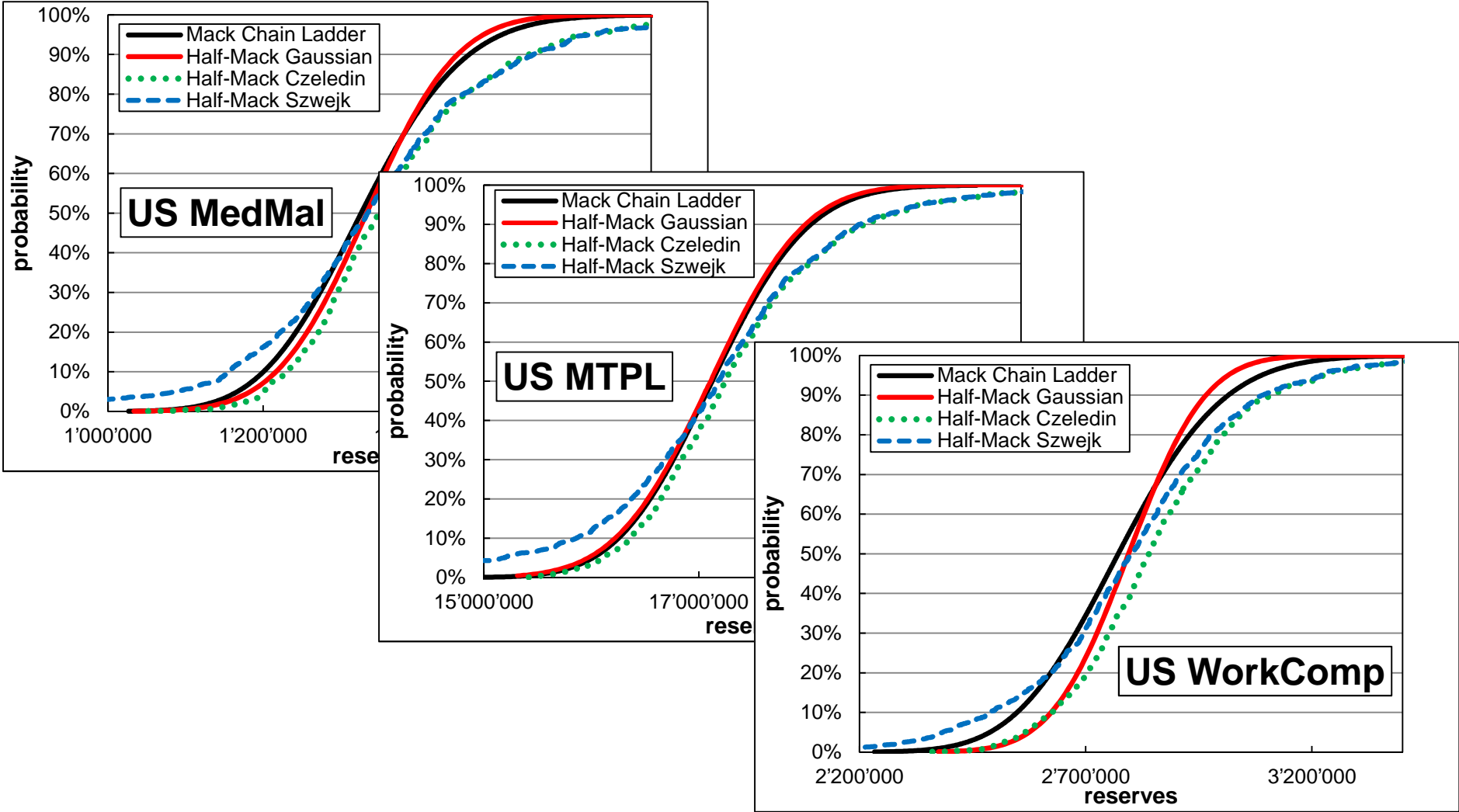


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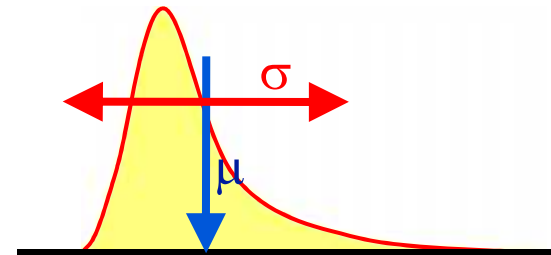
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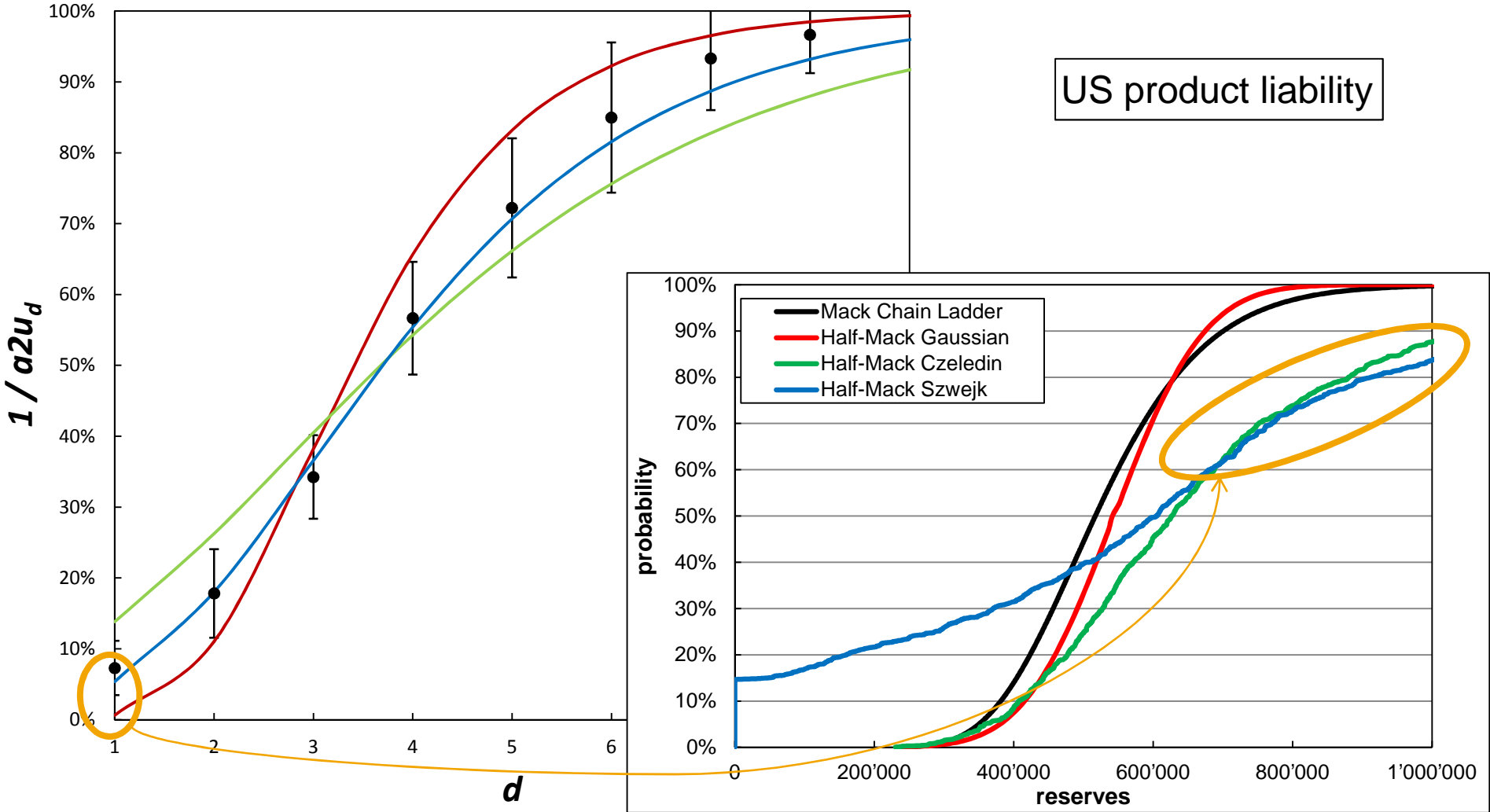
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Half-Mack & Actuarial Judgment



US product liability

Conclusion



The Half-Mack procedure is a powerful instrument to account for parameter risk.

The Half-Mack procedure is yet another stochastic reserving tool.

There is no silver bullet:
actuarial engineering remains an art 😊

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