



R VERSUS EXCEL/VBA

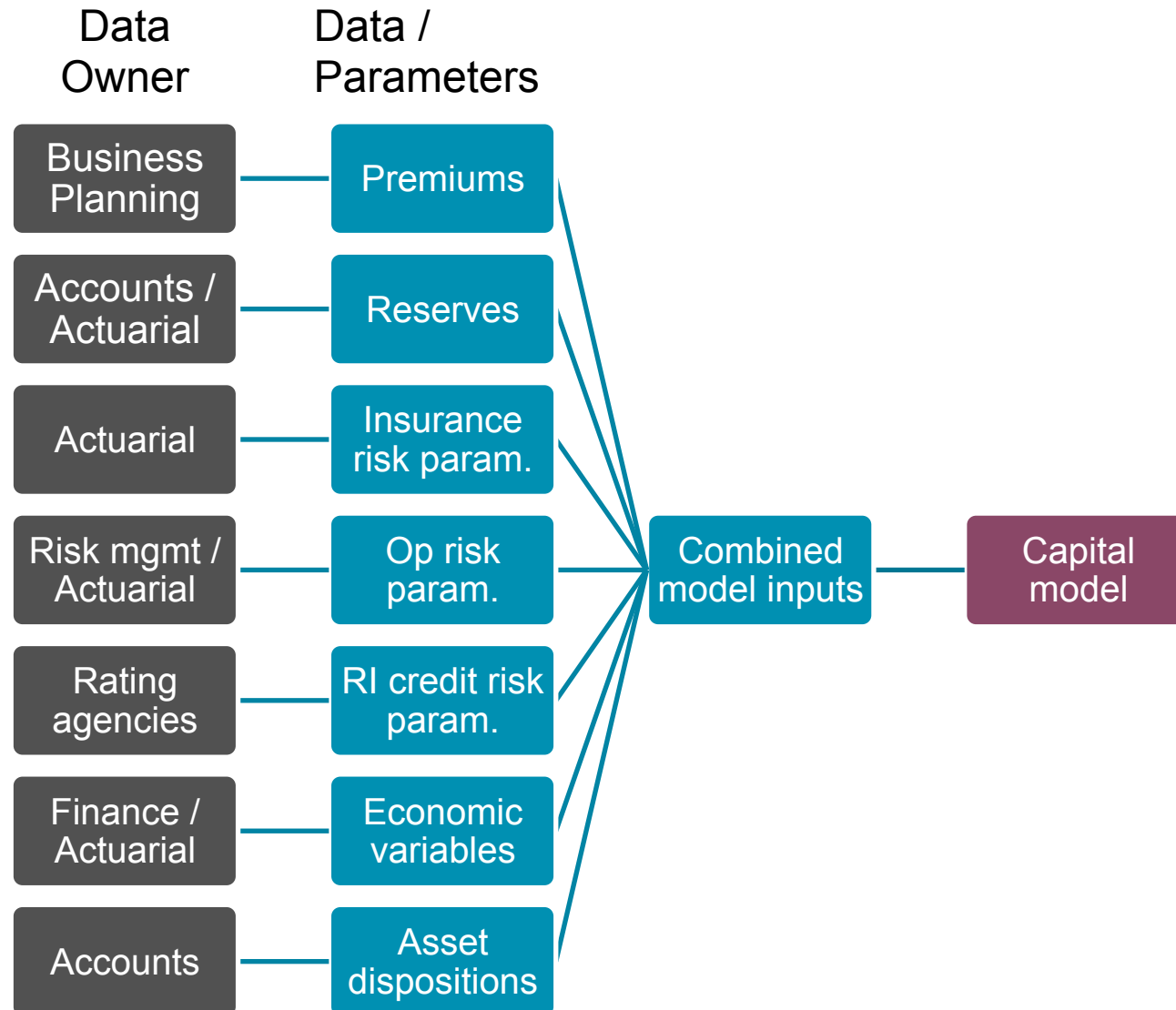
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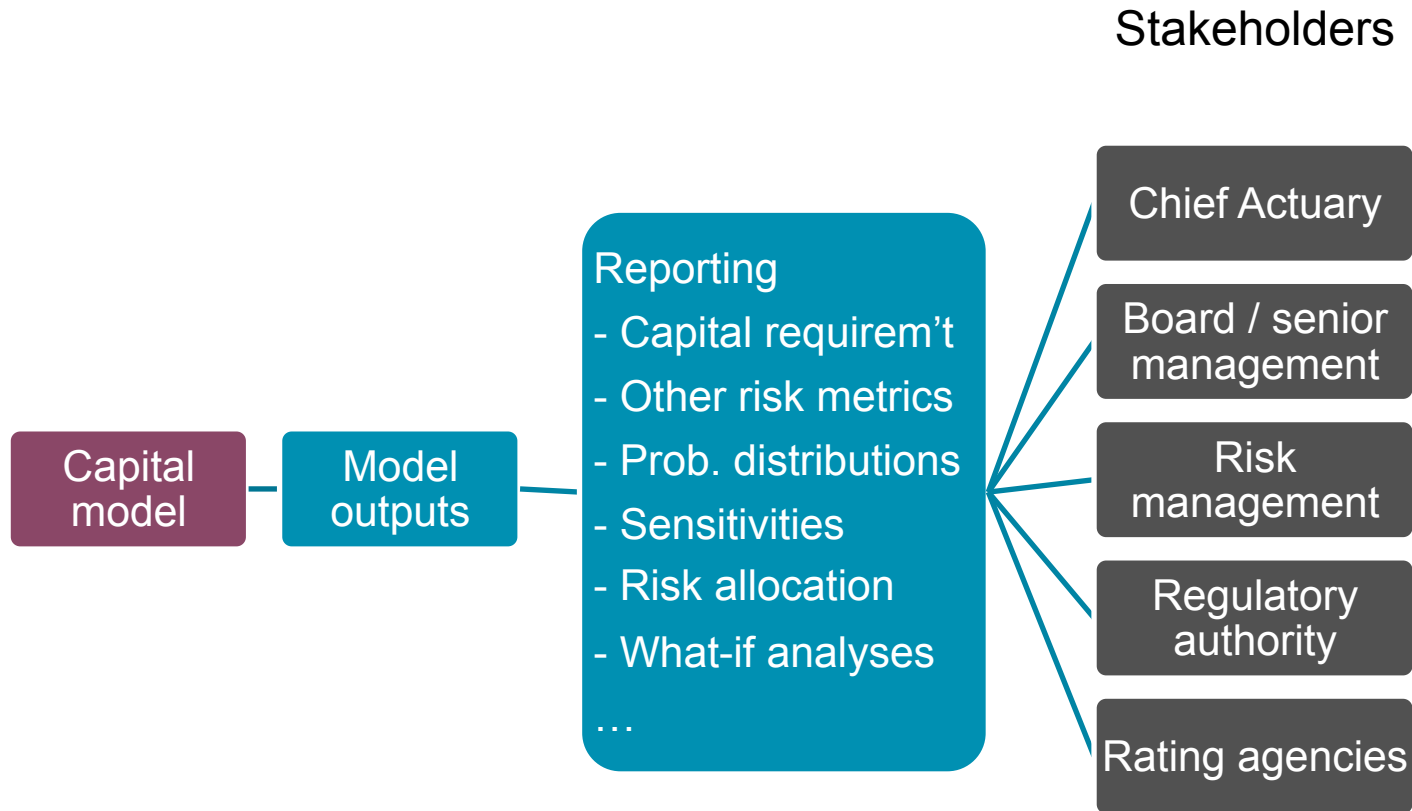
CAPITAL MODELLING WORKFLOW – INPUTS



CAPITAL MODELLING - INPUTS

- ▶ What are the main challenges on the input side?
 - Lots of different data sources and data source systems
 - Lots of data processing & data validation issues
 - Lots of different data versions
 - Team work

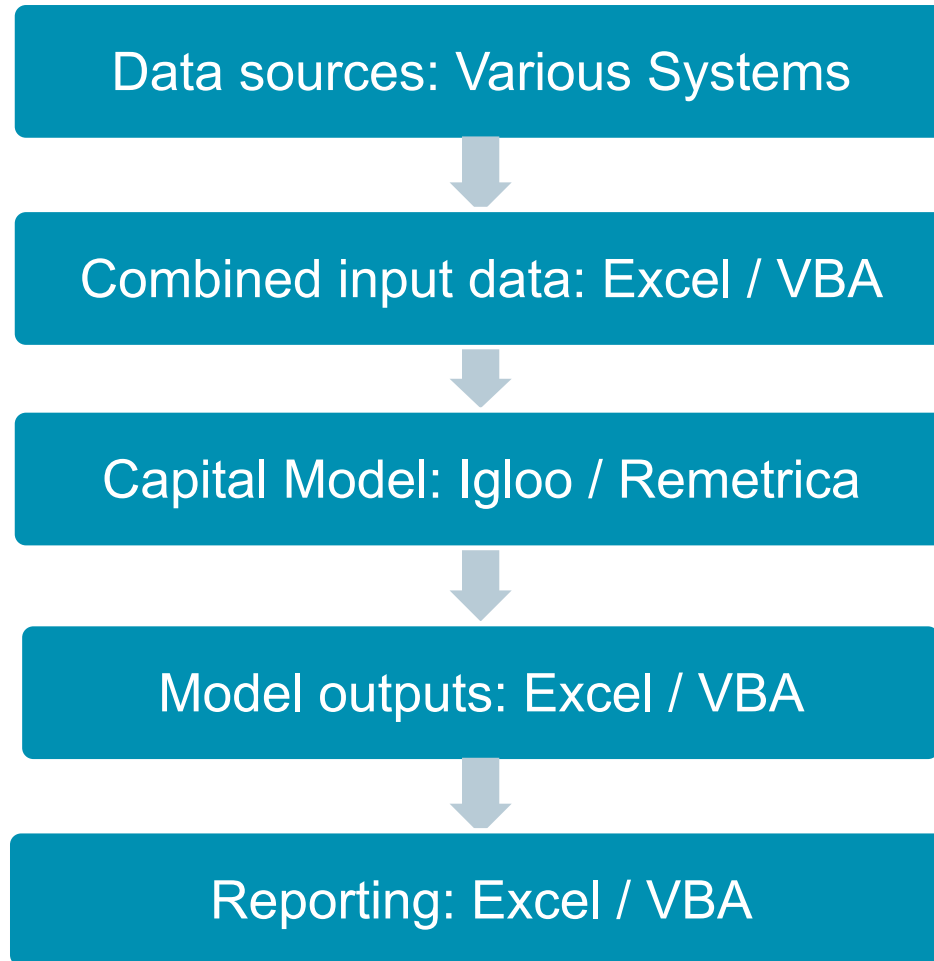
CAPITAL MODELLING WORKFLOW - OUTPUTS



CAPITAL MODELLING - OUTPUTS

- ▶ What are the main challenges on the output side?
 - Very high data volumes (Terabytes)
 - Lots of model runs with different versions of data and model configurations (> 1000 in one year)
 - Audit trail from input & model configuration to output
 - Lots of different analyses and reports
 - Team work

CAPITAL MODELLING TYPICAL SYSTEMS SETUP



ISSUES WITH EXCEL / VBA

- ▶ Disparate data sources \Rightarrow lots of linked files
 - Updating links in Excel is haphazard
- ▶ Updated at different times / lots of different versions
 - Links do not automatically point to new file versions
 - Version numbers in filenames break links
 - Tracking links becomes impossible
- ▶ Problems with referential integrity
 - Eg business planning segmentation of business is different from underwriting classes of business
 - Lots of lookup functions – very hard to check

MORE ISSUES WITH EXCEL/VBA

- ▶ Most common update is moving forward one year
 - Means changing layout of tables
 - Affects references to ranges
 - Potentially makes links obsolete
- ▶ No support for team work / multi user environment
 - Only one user can work on a file at any given time.
 - Standard solution is to split files ⇒ more links
 - Or make copies ⇒ problems with combining changes made by different users on different copies.

ISSUES WITH VBA

- ▶ VBA and data are typically bound together (although it is possible to have files which only contain VBA and operate on other files)
- ▶ VBA Code is duplicated many times over, because a copy is made every time the data is updated and a new version created
- ▶ VBA Code changes cannot easily be applied to past data sets
- ▶ Software development standards are hard to enforce
 - No formal version control
 - No concept of code releases
 - No concept of deployment
 - No way of going back to earlier releases
 - ...

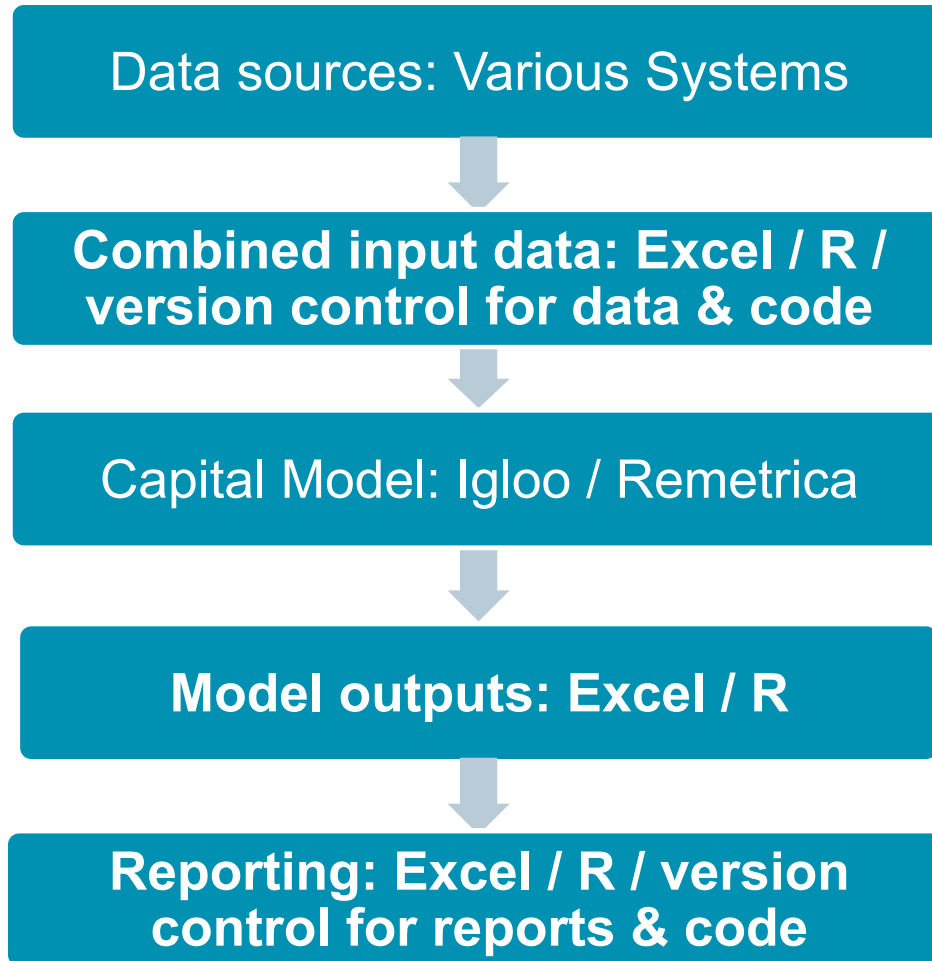
LIMITATIONS OF EXCEL REPORTING

- ▶ Can't handle high data volumes
- ▶ Disconnect between input data and model outputs – lack of audit trail

DISADVANTAGES OF R

- ▶ Typical business users don't use it
- ▶ Not suited to disseminating model results to stakeholders

CAPITAL MODELLING IMPROVED SYSTEMS SETUP

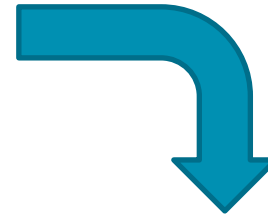
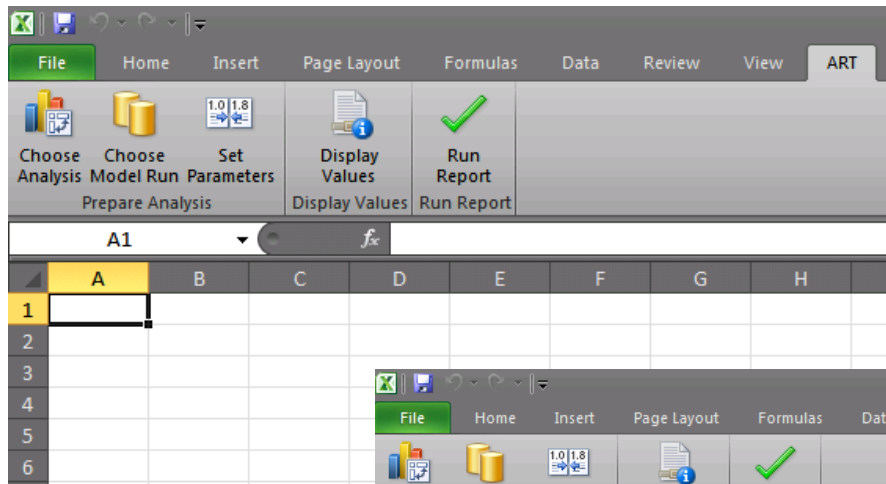


OBJECTIVES OF ANALYSIS & REPORTING TOOL

- ▶ Standardise reporting process for analysts
- ▶ Share analyses between analysts
- ▶ Make model results accessible to non-analysts
- ▶ Produce high quality reports
- ▶ Speed up report generation

REPORTING PROCESS WITH ART: EXCEL ADDIN

Analyses defined in R can be imported into Excel



This screenshot shows the Excel ribbon with the 'ART' tab selected. The 'Run Report' group contains two buttons: 'Display Values' and 'Run Report'. The 'Run Report' button has a green checkmark icon. The active cell is D14. The spreadsheet displays the results of an analysis.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	ANALYSIS RESULTS						
2	Analysis name: syndicate_loss_breakdown						
3	Model runs: base: I:\Share\MRC_Run_Requests\Result_20121005_200953_uat_bushj_R0603,						
4	Parameters: window_radius: "20",						
5							
6	Description	expected	stand_alone	diversified	stand_alone_perc	diversified_perc	
7	Net_TP	32663794386	5387095735	4218327396	0.3890001	0.4689469	
8	CAT_loss	866333488	4345196757	2082618876	0.313765	0.2315225	
9	Attr_loss	12920119040	4116278321	2694374593	0.2972349	0.2995307	
10	Total	46450246914	13848570813	8995320865	1	1	
11							
12							
13							

REPORTING PROCESS WITH ART: REPORT ELEMENTS

Report elements combine an analysis with a method of presentation

Specify the analysis

```
syndicate_loss_breakdown <- create_analysis(  
  description = "This analysis element calculates the individual portfolio asset risks.")  
  
model_data(syndicate_loss_breakdown) <- list(  
  calibrated_claims_yoa = c(run_label = "base", output_name = "CalibratedClaims_TS1_LFNET_YoA_Sim"),  
  calibrated_claims_rt.ne.0_yoa = c(run_label = "base", output_name = "CalibratedClaims_TS1_LFNET_RT.NE.O_YoA_Sim"),  
  calibrated_claims_rt0_yoa = c(run_label = "base", output_name = "CalibratedClaims_TS1_LFNET_RT0_YoA_Sim"),  
  calibrated_claims = c(run_label = "base", output_name = "CalibratedClaims_TS1_LFNET_Sim"))  
  
content(syndicate_loss_breakdown) <- function(  
  calibrated_claims,  
  calibrated_claims_yoa,  
  calibrated_claims_rt0_yoa,  
  calibrated_claims_rt.ne.0_yoa,  
  window_radius = 20)
```

Select or specify presentation format

	Expected	Stand Alone	Diversified
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REPORTING PROCESS WITH ART: REPORTS

Define report by combining report elements

```
1-in-200 Syndicate Loss Breakdown
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Notes
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  syndicate losses in excess of the mean.
- Results are calibrated to Syndicates' 1:200 losses,
  excluding credit for future profits.

```{r syndicate_loss_breakdown, results='asis'}
report_element(
 analysis = "syndicate_loss_breakdown",
 presentation = "simple_table")
```

Syndicate Loss Distribution
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```{r syndicate_loss_distribution, fig.width=3, fig.height=3}
report_element(
 analysis = "syndicate_loss_distribution",
 presentation = "cumulative_distribution_graph",
 percentile = 0.995)
```
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Generate report
based on model run(s)



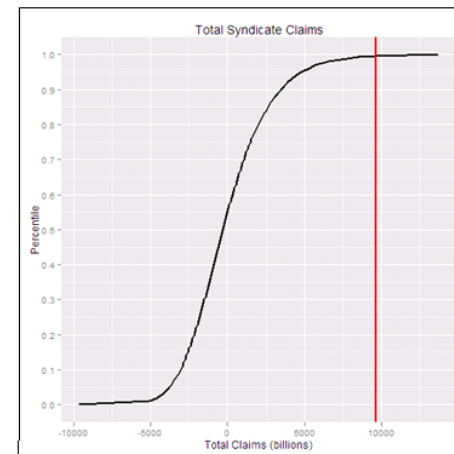
1-IN-200 SYNDICATE LOSS BREAKDOWN

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Syndicate Loss Distribution



ART BENEFITS

- ▶ Increased confidence in analysis results and reports
- ▶ Reproducible and consistent reports
- ▶ Improved access and visibility of CCK model data
- ▶ Increased focus on analysis
- ▶ Extensible by end users (actuaries) via a flexible framework