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Accumulation What ever that means in cyber?

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Cyber in numbers: The Big Bang Theory

- **50/50** "There are only two types of companies: those that have been hacked, and those that will be." Robert Mueller, FBI Director, 2012
- **51bn €** financial loss in 2015 through cybercrime and cyber espionage in Germany, Bitkom Report on Economic Security
- **100mio** lines of code in Windows 10 with Office 365 locally installed on each computer.
 - counting in all other applications: 250mio 10bn lines of code on your computer.
- **7.73bn** mobile phones Statista 2016
- **3,425bn** direct internet connections Statista 2016
- **3,4·10³⁸** IPv6 addresses (340 Sextillion)
- 1998 IPv6 specification was designed and published as RFC2460
 How much cybercrime was out there 18 years ago?



Insurances demand Risk Management

- Enterprise of 50.000 employees operates around 50.000 different applications, 100.000 Computers and Servers without peripherals and without SCADA and ICS-systems → 1mio known attack vectors
- Can you really do risk management for Cyber:
 - criminals (money)
 - organized crime organization (more money)
 - states (espionage)
 - former employee now he is mostly unfriendly (Revenge)
 - supplier (advantage, revenge)
 - competitor (advantage)
 - do gooder, do better, starry-eyed idealist (Attention)

Risk Management will always be affected by criminal intention!



Can you insure against cyber criminals?

An effective Cyberattack will misuse:

- Bugs in software and hardware
- Zero-day-exploits
- Configuration mistakes
- Or an unaware employee
- Or your entire (not well prepared) organization

Imbalance:

A company has to protect against ALL vulnerabilities but the criminal needs only ONE attack vector.



How to ensure Cybersecurity against these threats?

States:

- Around 70 States already developed cyber strategies (ENISA)
- EU- NIS Directive, German IT-Security Law, Regulation, cooperation models
 - Mandatory Notification for Critical Infrastructure and Digital Service Providers
 - Risk Management 🙂
 - CERT (Incident Handling, Threats and Vulnerabilities, Information Exchange)
 - Crises Management
- NATO declared Cyber under Article 5 (collective defence)

Companies including SMEs:

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Challenges:

- No one is owner of the internet Attribution is quite difficult and nearly impossible.
- The complexity is to high:
 - We all use the internet everywhere, at home, on our mobile phone, at work, for fun, we do shopping, online banking, travel booking, mobile apps, etc.
 - The free services are paid by our data (data protection, who cares)
 - The rest we pay with an old fashioned credit card, prepaid cards, paypal, Apple Pay or with (digital) crypto-money (Bitcoin, Ether, etc.)
 - Have you ever heard about Ripple, DogeCoin, PeerCoin, LiteCoin, AuroraCoin and all the others?
 - States, banks and criminal organisations must be heavily involved where is all the money - stolen through ransomware?
- Cyberattacks are a huge business case.

Insurance companies have to insure someone against the business of another.



Questions I asked myself?

- Is Digitization itself an opportunity or a risk?
- Is a well known but insecure infrastructure insurable?
 No CIO knows his infrastructure exactly!
- Is cyber accumulation the end of the (insurance) food chain?
 End of the day someone has to pay!
- How can you do (accept) a risk assessment without out knowing the real risks?
- How can you insure a company if you know that it will be easily attacked

As a perpetrator I would see my new

<u>cyber-business-opportunity in attacking insurance companies.</u> Either You pay me or I let you pay!



Thank you for your uninsurable attention!any more questions?

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Big risk and small insurance market: demand side frictions...



...caused by unresolved supply-driven insurability issues



Can we grasp cyber accumulation?

Addressing (some) actuarial issues

- Blending data (e.g., external data, data pool)
- Extreme value / threshold models
- Scenario analysis + exposure data
 - Backward-looking
 - Forward-looking (e.g., RMS / Cambridge)

Remaining issues

- Dynamic characteristics of underlying risk
- Arbitrariness of scenarios
- Scenario approaches have been shown to be inaccurate, e.g., in operational risk modeling

Ambiguity of tail distribution

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Market development options
Increase capacity through collaboration:
Data pool
Insurance pool
Alternative risk transfer (e.g., cyber cat bond)
Define the role of the government:
Cyber risk management

standards

- Reporting obligations
- Re-insurer of last resort for extreme losses

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Topics

- What is the Insurance Industry doing in the so called "cyber" space and where is/are the "cyber" Insurance product (s) directionally heading?
- What are the key threats, obstacles and how is the Industry currently managing those threats?
- Is there potential scope for Industry co-operation to improve risk quantification, improve liquidity in trading risk and deepen the market?

State of the Global Cyber Insurance market

Cyber /'sʌɪbə/ adjective: cyber relating to or characteristic of the culture of computers, information technology, and virtual reality "the cyber age" Origin 1980s: abb. of cybernetics

- A beacon of growth for the industry but definitions are confusing
 - Cyber exposure embedded in most commercial lines of business Passive
 - Current market focussed on *loss of data*, but morphing towards *loss* of control -Limited shift towards *all lines* cyber e.g. Ford Corp – Active
- Global Insurance market but overwhelmingly US-centric mirroring legal/statutory drivers
 - Circa \$2bn DWP but anticipated to expand in size/geography as risk drivers evolve
 - Concentrated risk pools based on industry and size
 - Dominated by a handful of pioneering cyber writers
- To put this into context the Global cyber threat protection/consulting business is >30x \$100bn

Prevailing dynamics, challenges and opportunities

- Underwriting results have (generally) been outstanding however, as market pivots towards loss of control prior results less meaningful
- Insurance buyers seeking/require broader protection for damage/ loss of digital assets/capability e.g. Business interruption, Contingent business interruption
- Nascent technical underwriting skills coupled with concerns about systemic accumulation, real-time mutation in underlying threats and fluid view on boundaries of coverage are constraining appetite and capacity in both primary and secondary markets
- Nature of risk inherently systemic but industry lacks both a coherent approach and a consistent framework for evaluating downside risk across the return period spectrum
- Some efforts by Third Party Vendor Model firms to provide limited scenario-based modelling support to their Insurance clients

Select aggregation perils

- Digital
 - Common vulnerabilities in cyber security programmes (or lack of)
 - Common shock vulnerabilities
 - Shared vendor/api infections leading to secondary/cascading cyber attacks across a shared network
 - Aggressive, calculated, maliciously motivated attacks on a series of linked companies
 - Malware infestation of shared data centre
 - Known common data software/patching failure leading to vulnerabilities
 - Malware infestation in internet provider services/nodes (data service centres, internet service centres and internet traffic satellites)
- Physical
 - Destruction of data service centres (explosion, fire, lightening, power outage etc.
 - Destruction of internet cables (e.g. transoceanic submarine cables
 - Destruction of internet service nodes (e.g. Crimean case study)

Andrew Coburn, director of the External Advisory Board of the University of Cambridge's Centre for Risk Studies - Based on a worst-case scenario, a series of unexplained information technology failures on "systemically important technology enterprises" (SITEs), such as Oracle Corp., International Business Machines Corp., Microsoft Corp., SAP AG/Sybase and Teradata Corp., could lead to a loss of \$15 trillion in gross domestic output over five years, on a similar scale to the \$18 trillion lost during the recent financial crisis

Scope for improving market liquidity

- Modelling transformed Property Cat market pre-hurricane Andrew, limited capacity but today multiple markets worldwide with increasing cross-over into wider capital markets, so capacity per se is not the issue
- Cyber represents extension to business interruption and CBI which Property Cat market able to cover *provided* it feels these risks are properly understood and underwritten
- Today's market for cyber has similarities to pre-Andrew property cat market
 - AIR, RMS and other vendors racing to fill the modelling void, but not yet there
 - Challenge is harnessing data given the bewildering amount available in cyber-space, and need to create confidence that cyber aggregation can be quantified <u>despite</u> <u>evolving nature of threats</u>
- Once risks understood, models will gain credence and property cat roadmap suggests liquidity will follow



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