# BIG DATA: PROFESSIONAL AND ETHICAL CHALLENGES FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF ACTUARIES, STATISTICIANS AND DATA SCIENTISTS A PANEL DISCUSSION



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# Today's Purpose



## Big Data and the Role of the Actuary

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#### □ Two Issues Emerged:

- Ethical and professional issues are emerging with the increasing use of Big Data
- Actuaries, statisticians and data scientists are involved with projects using Big Data



# The Monograph



Big Data generally includes the "5 V's":

- *Volume* Large amounts of data are collected and processed.
- *Velocity* Data is available and must be processed at lightning speed, frequently instantaneously
- *Variety* The data being used comes in different forms.
- *Veracity* The reliability of the data is not uniform.
- *Value* The data being extracted must be usable or be able to be monetized.



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#### Agenda

- Overview of the Academy Report
- Discuss issues raised by the application of Insurance Technology a.k.a InsurTech





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• Discuss the leading challenges seen emerging in life insurance underwriting methodologies



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• Discuss the leading challenges seen emerging in group policies, such as Worker's Compensation



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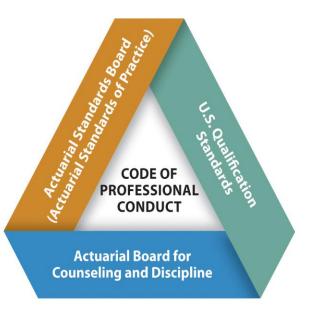
 Discuss the leading challenges seen emerging with regard to privacy concerns in using big data in insurance practice areas





# Professionalism for Actuaries

- The Code of Professional Conduct
- U.S. Qualification Standards (USQS)
- Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs)
- Actuarial Board for Counseling and Discipline (ABCD)







## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS Existing Regulatory Framework**

- Two categories of regulatory requirements to govern the use of Big Data:
  - **•** To protect consumers in general
  - To prohibit discrimination against certain protected classes of individuals







## REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS **Emerging Regulatory Developments**

- □ NAIC Big Data (EX) Working Group
- Regulatory Sandboxes A regulatory environment designed to encourage innovation in a regulated industry





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## PRIVACY AND BIG DATA

## **Existing Regulations**

Two Protected Areas:

- Financial Data
- Health Data

Insurance Data Security Model Law Draft Approved 2017





Secure https://www.ted.com/talks/alessandro\_acquisti\_why\_privacy\_matters

#### Ideas worth spreading





## Chief Media Ethicist

- Independent Agent
- Develop Ethical Brand
- Incorporate Universal Standards
- Operationalize Brand Ethics
- Monitor Company Ethical Behavior
- Identify Ethics Violations
- Remedy Ethics Violations
- Continually Evolve the Brand





**The Actuary** 

## **EDITORIAL**

# The Future of Insurance Is Predictive

**BY DOROTHY L. ANDREWS** 

Media Second Psychology Where technology meets human experience



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# InsurTech Observations

**Observation 1:** The Rules of Engagement have changed

**Observation 2:** New areas of risk have emerged

**Observation 3:** Advanced technology may present conflicts



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# InsurTech Observations

**Observation 4:** Simplified U/W viewed as post-claim U/W

**Observation 5:** Increase in regulatory market conduct scrutiny

**Observation 6:** Regulators have a steep learning curve





# InsurTech Applications





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# The Psychology

The Vitality program operates as a **health model rather than a disease model** using mobile devices mediated via a technology platform.

By linking wearable devices to the Vitality program, John Hancock tied **a powerful tool to self-efficacy** to drive the desired outcome, improved health.

- Albert Bandura, Ph.D., Social Psychology
- Pamela Rutledge, Ph.D., Media Psychology





# InsurTech Applications



Source: https://byte-technology.com/blog/tis-the-season-making-it-easy-to-give-year-end-donations/

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# The Psychology

Dr. Robert Cialdini would likely say this relationship is one of reciprocity intrinsically linked to social validation. Millennials solicit brands that invest in social causes they care about.

- Robert Cialdini, Ph.D., Social Psychology





Chatbots give "the illusion of companionship without the demands of friendship."

- Liraz Margalit, Ph.D. Social Psychology

#### INSURANCENEXUS

Results-Driven Innovation: AI, Machine Learning and Chatbots Improving Insurance Profitability & CX



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# The Panel Discussion

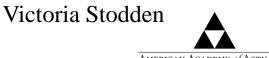






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