

CASE STUDY: Risk Engineering Intelligent Automation

A photograph of two women in a server room. They are standing in a hallway with glass walls, looking at tablets. The room is filled with server racks on the left. The lighting is dim, with a blue tint. The text 'Insurance Risk Engineering' is overlaid on the image.

Insurance

Risk Engineering



UNDERWRITERS' DAILY ACTIVITY

AS-IS Situation

- ✓ Risk engineers produce desktop risk assessments for specific risks, e.g., fire, based on the grading of selected risk factors, e.g., building combustibility
- ✓ Assessment based on third party risk reports
- ✓ Risk Grading scores are a key input for risk selection and pricing
- ✓ Performance of desktop assessments consumes a lot of time of the engineers with tens of thousands desktop assessments per year

Pain Points

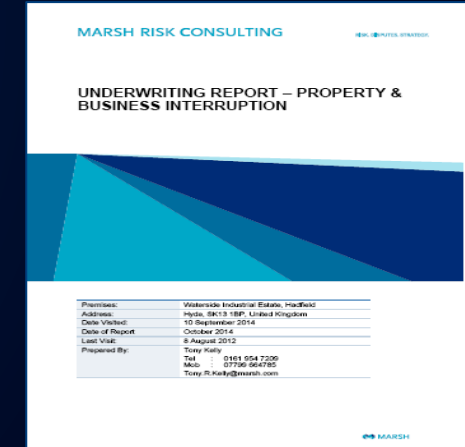
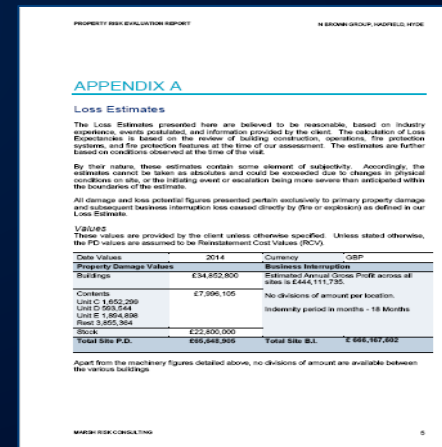
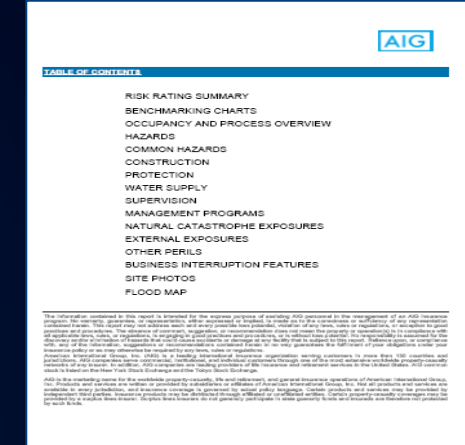
- ✓ Limited capacity: risk engineers struggle to assess the risk on all renewals and request for quotations
- ✓ High level of subjectivity (> 25% disagreement): different engineers typically assess different risk scores
- ✓ Expensive process: to guarantee high-quality the process may reveal very expensive



A REAL EXAMPLE

Third party risk report

- ✓ Long and content-intensive documents
- ✓ Completely different layout, structure and language usage (depending on the provider)
- ✓ Unless you read the entire report, you cannot understand the risk and adapt it to your model



FEATURES

Expert System Cogito for Underwriting in a nutshell:

- ✓ Detects the occupancy, applying standard taxonomies (NAICS, SIC, etc)
- ✓ Detects the risk factors across the entire report
- ✓ Assigns a grading to each risk factor applying custom grading scale (A-D)
- ✓ Weights the different risk factors and return an overall score
- ✓ Aggregate the information by location (multiple locations in the same report, many reports for the same location)

NAICS Code	443 - Retail Trade/Electronics and Appliance Stores
Risk Factor	Risk Grading
- RF02 - Building Combustibility	A
Non-combustible 100 The buildings and roofs are of light or heavy non-combustible structure.	
- RF08 - Fixed Fire Protection Including Sprinklers	B
Manual Protection Portable extinguishers, hose reels, yard hydrants Adequate number of hose reels and extinguishers, all site is enclosed by the hydrant ring network	
380 fire cabinets with hose reels are located inside and outside of the buildings.	
Flammable and hazardous liquids are adequately handled.	
Each hydrant has a shut off valve and these valves are tested monthly.	
- RF13 - Control of Process Hazards	B
Machinery & Plant Coils are stored in the press and die shop.	
Production / Logistics Apart from the body and chassis parts, suspension and transmission parts are produced in the suspension shop.	
The paint shop can be considered as a bottleneck for the plant production.	

Risk grading score

A	Excellent
B	...
C	...
D	Inadequate



BENEFITS

Free up time of risk engineers and underwriters: this time could be used to do more onsite assessment and improvement visits to risks with higher probability for large losses



Increase standardization & accuracy: the level of subjectivity is huge (> 25% disagreement)



Improve analytics



Reduce process time: hence offer a better customer/broker experience



Augment capacity: increase the number of assessments and hence quotations





RUN RATE BENEFITS PER YEAR

> USD 500.000



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