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Preventive Conservation**



MANAGING RISKS to CULTURAL PROPERTY



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This presentation

Is:

- Methods, levels, and strategies for control of risks
- Creativity and flexibility
- Right information to right managers

Is not:

- Specific strategies
- Single grand plan

Methods for control



Avoid



Block



Detect



Respond / Recover

Levels for control



Location



Site



Building



Room



Storage unit

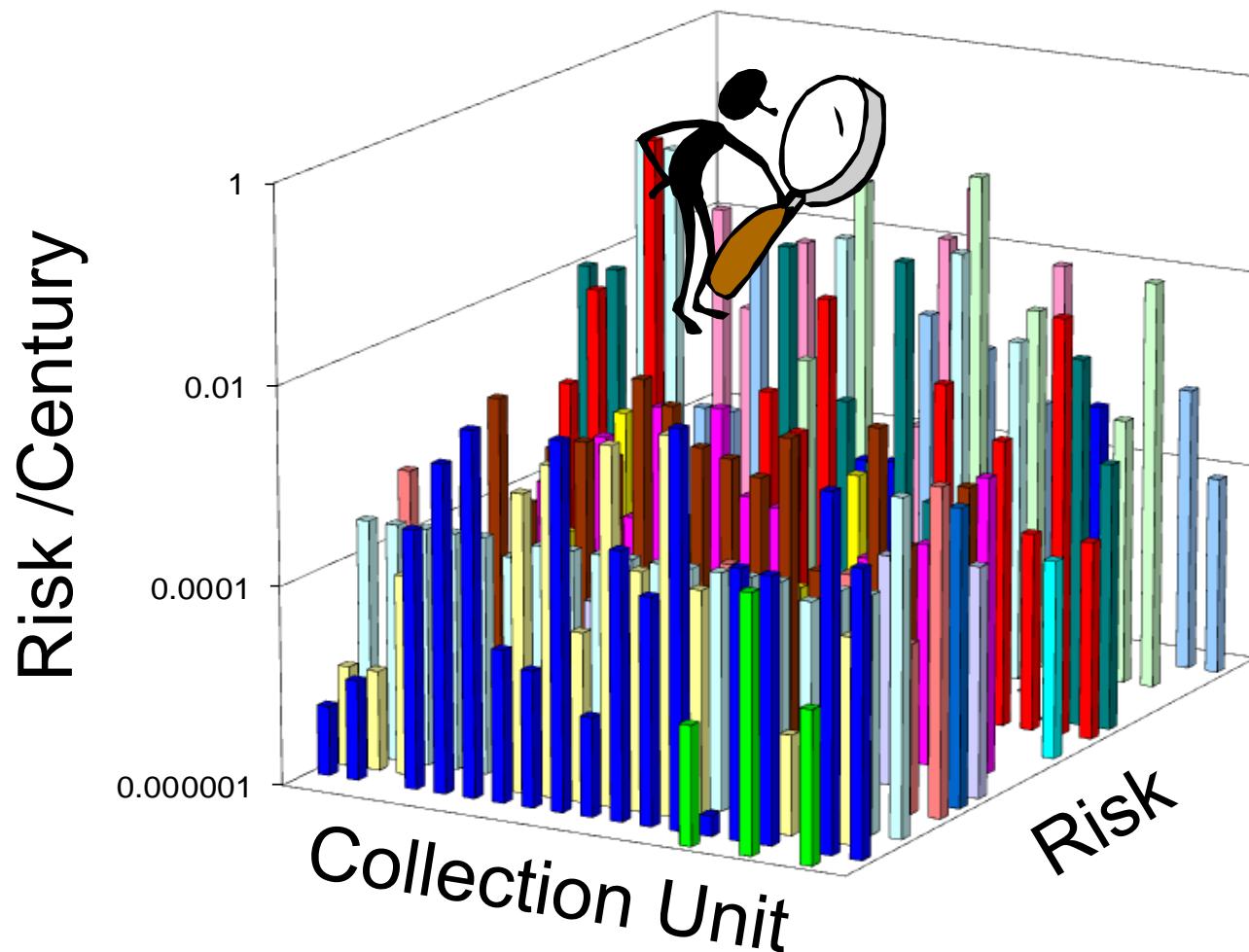


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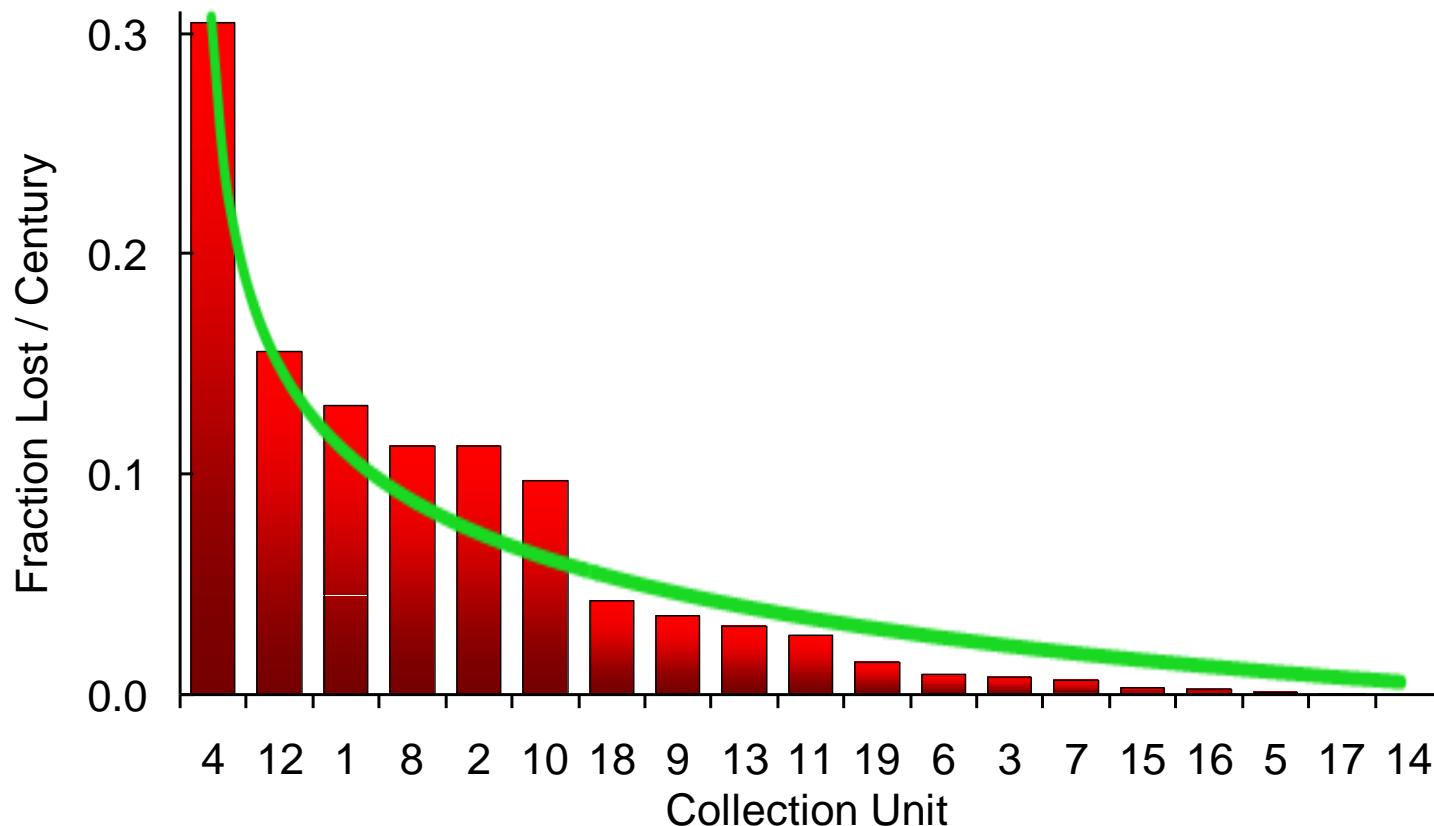


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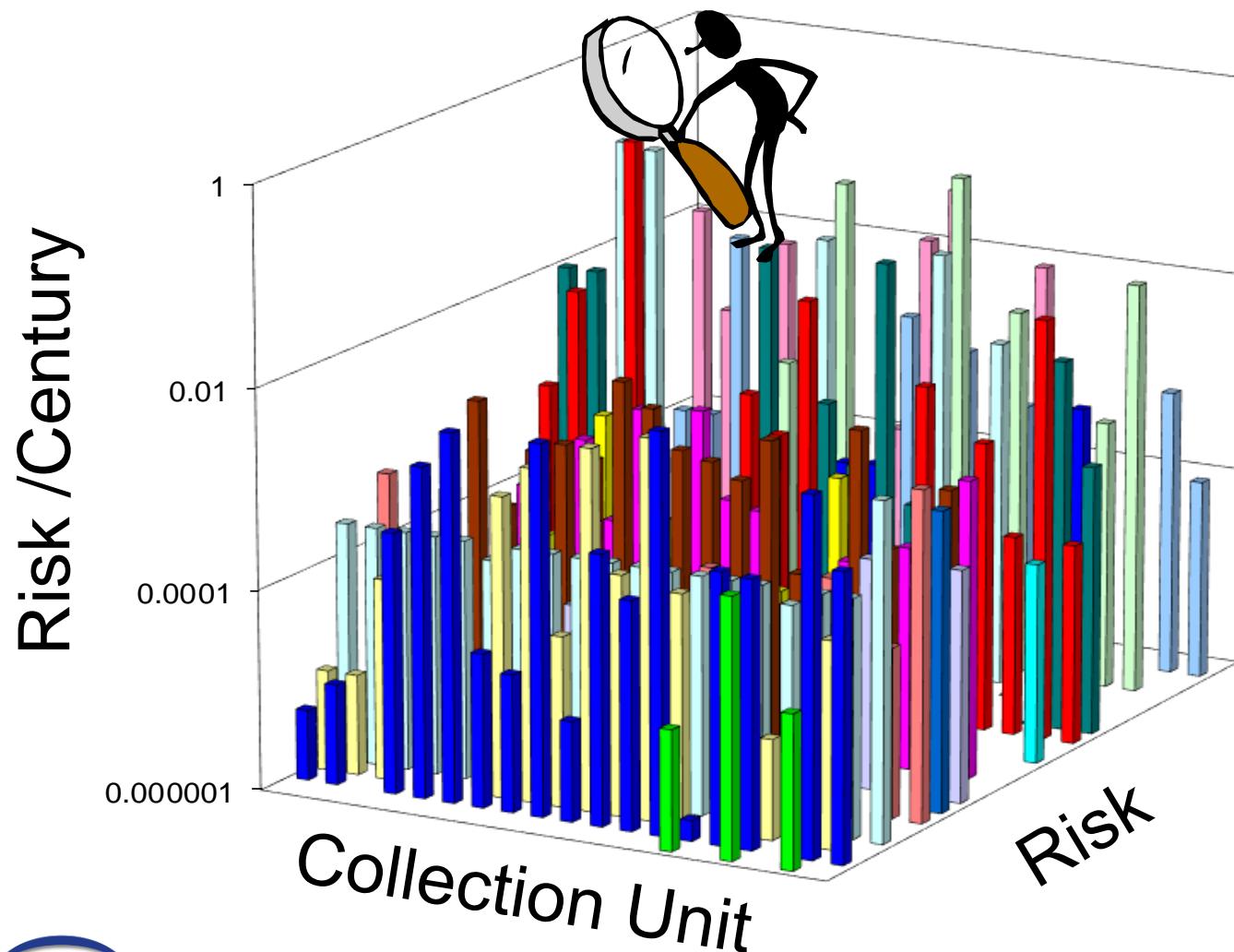
The Forest



Risk profile by collection units

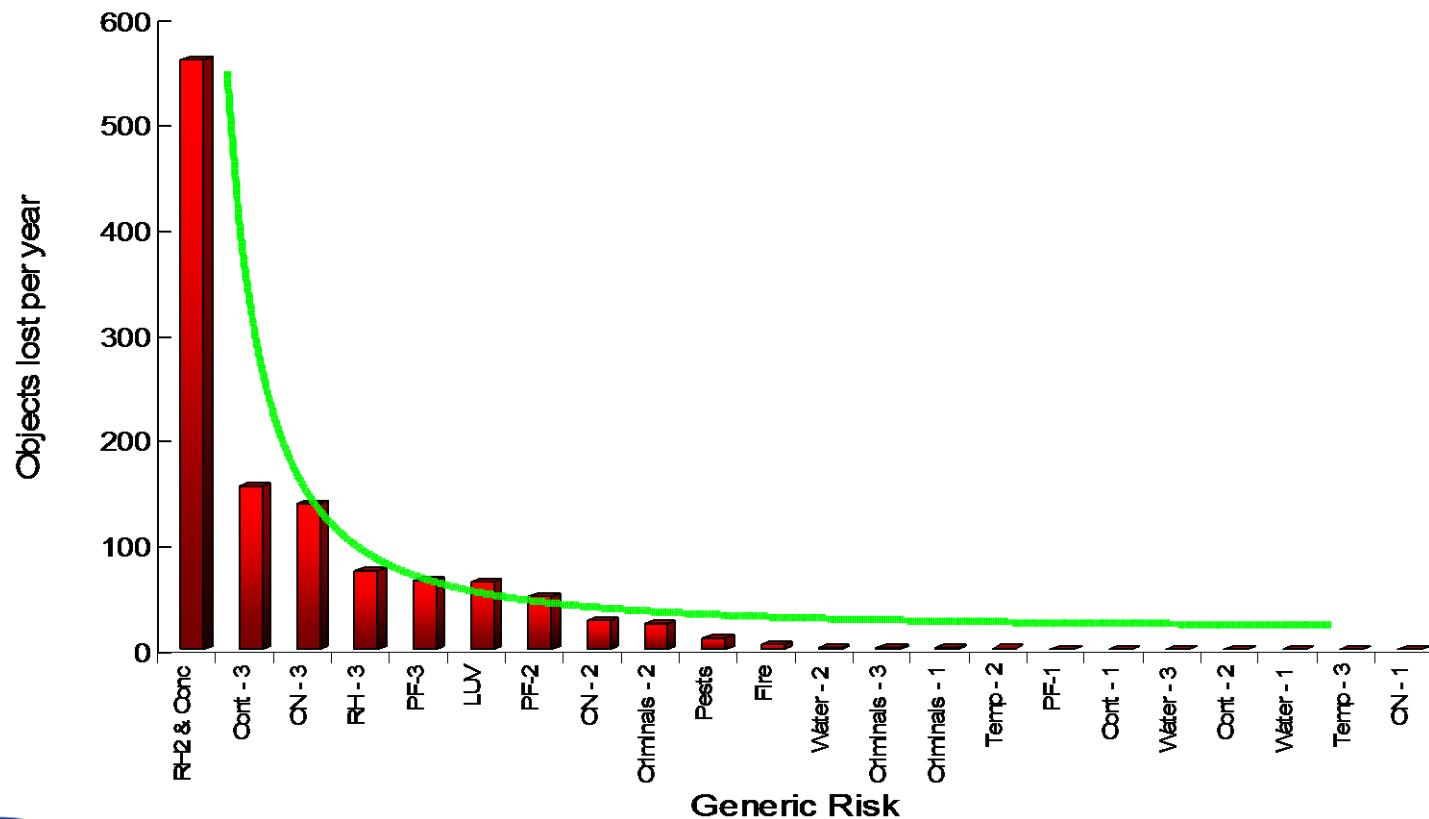


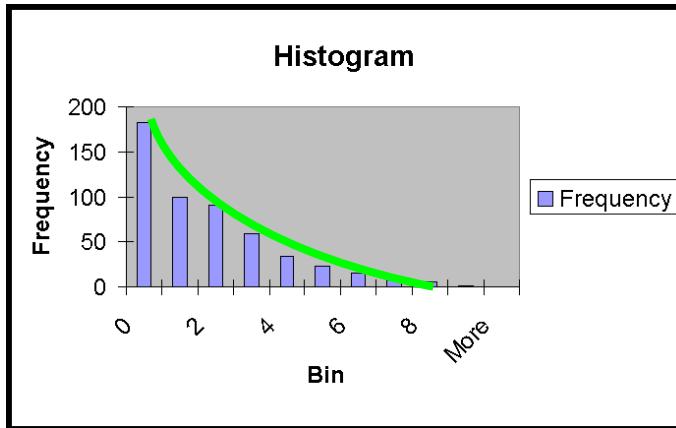
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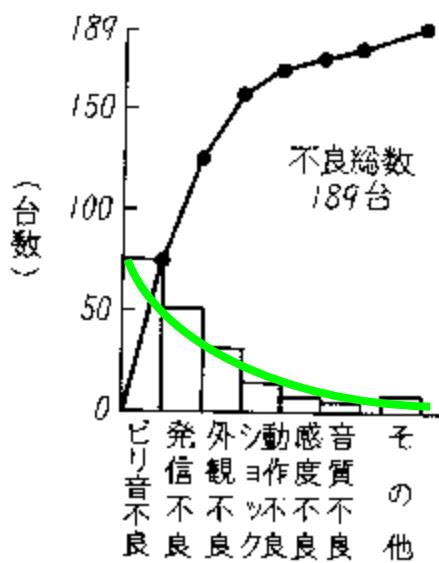
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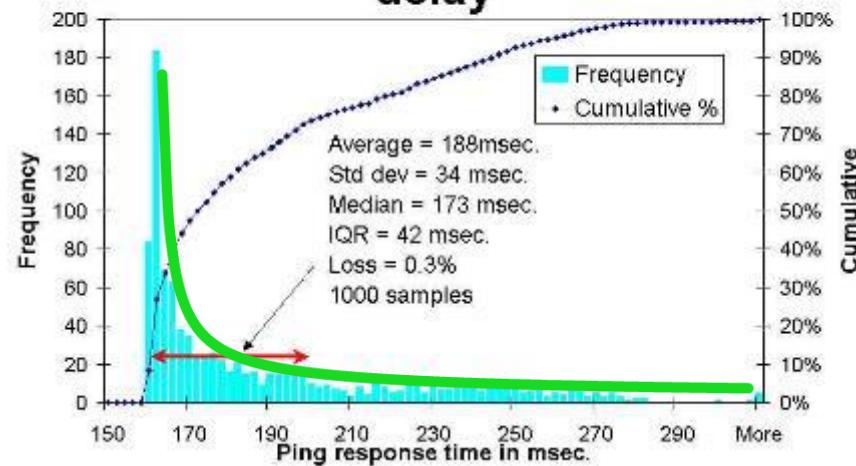


パレート図の一例

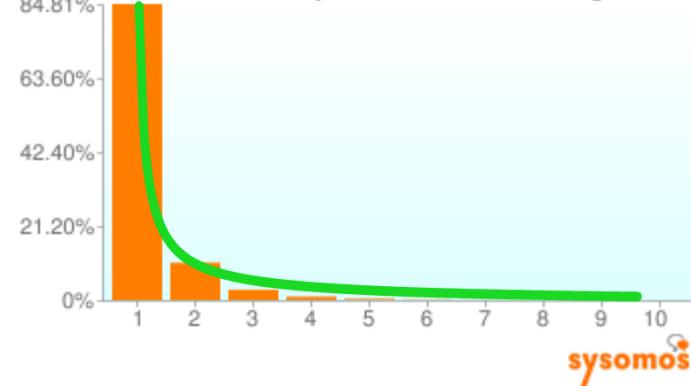


Vilfredo Pareto
1848 - 1923

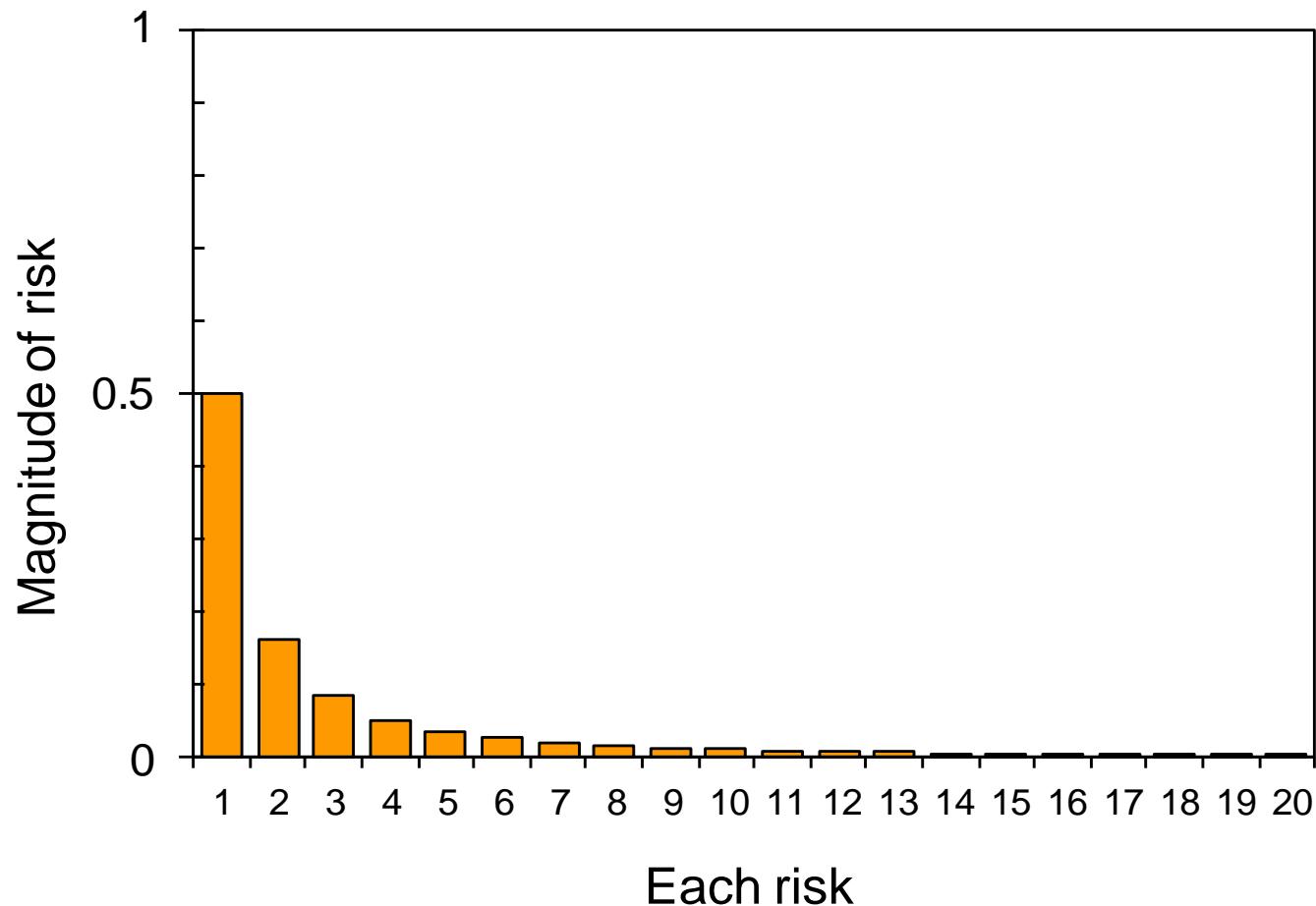
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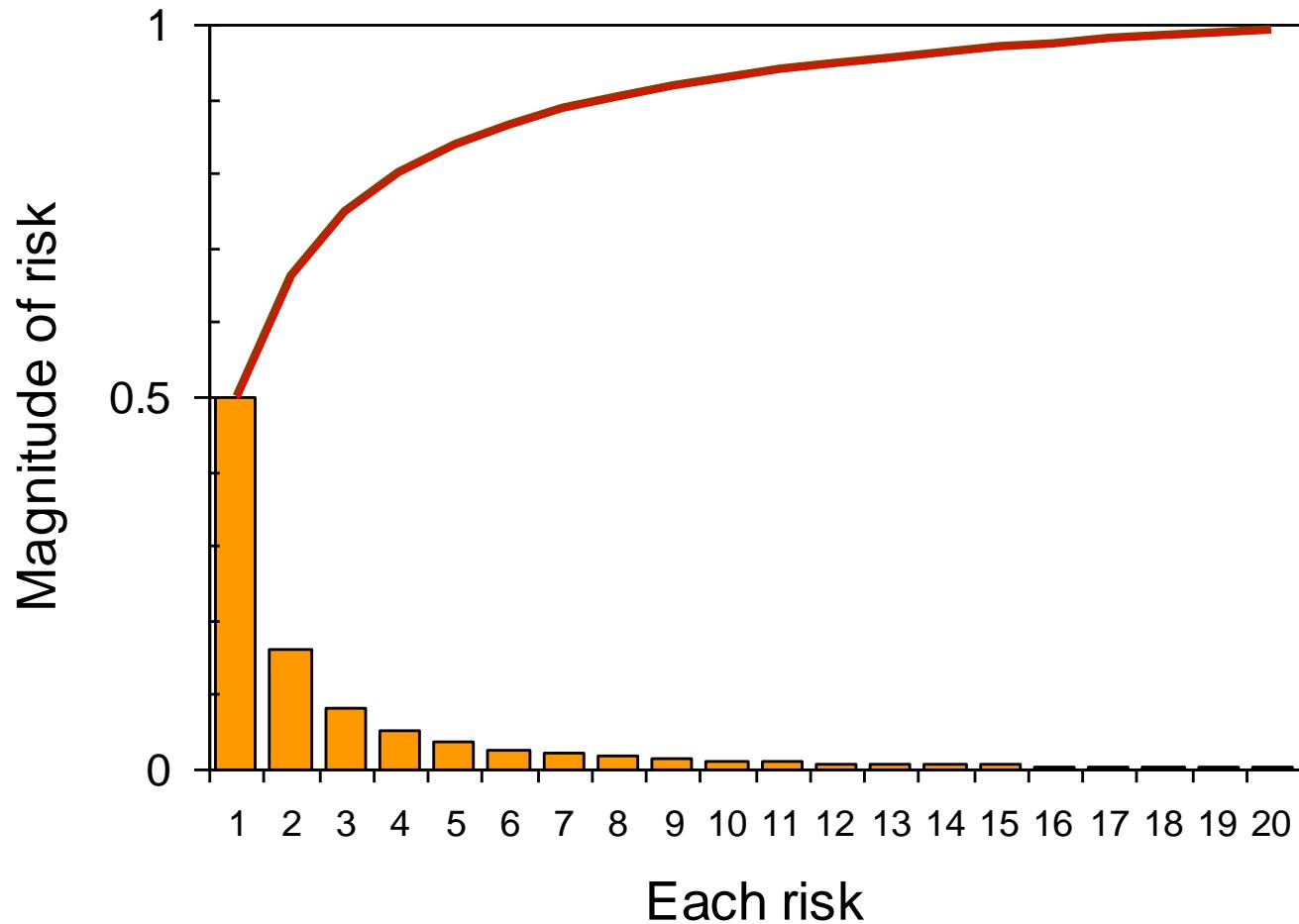


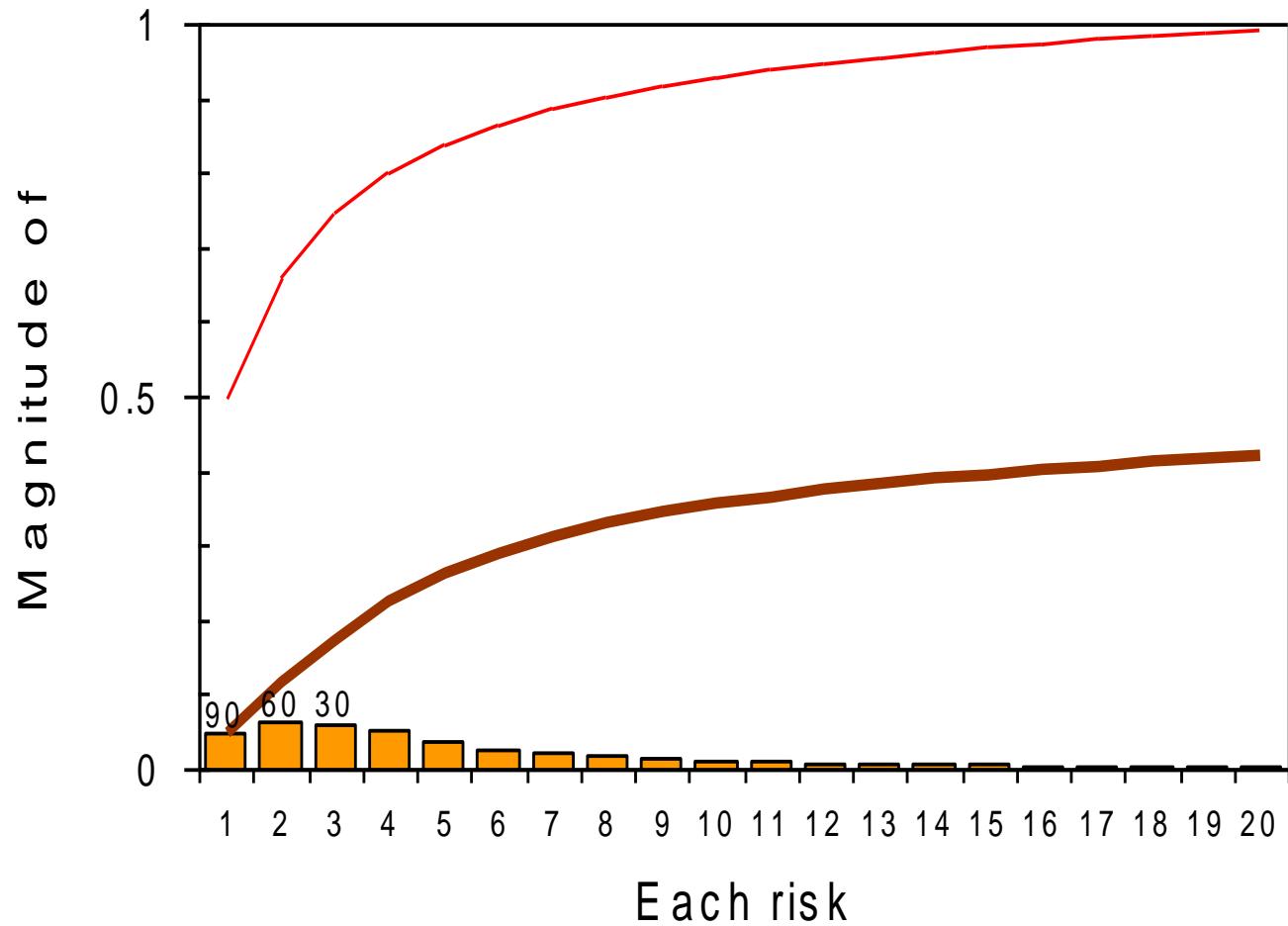
Twitter @ reply conversation length

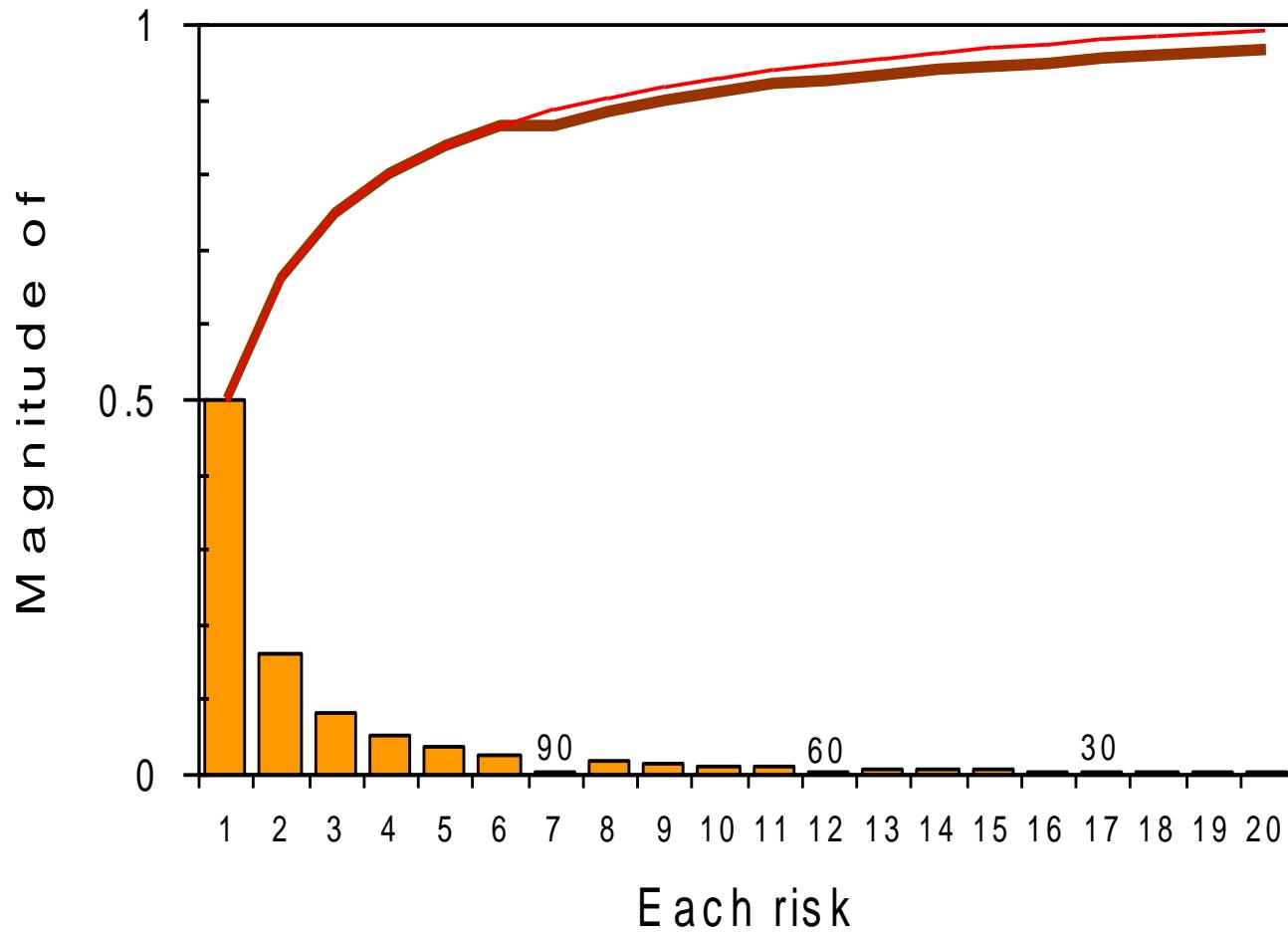


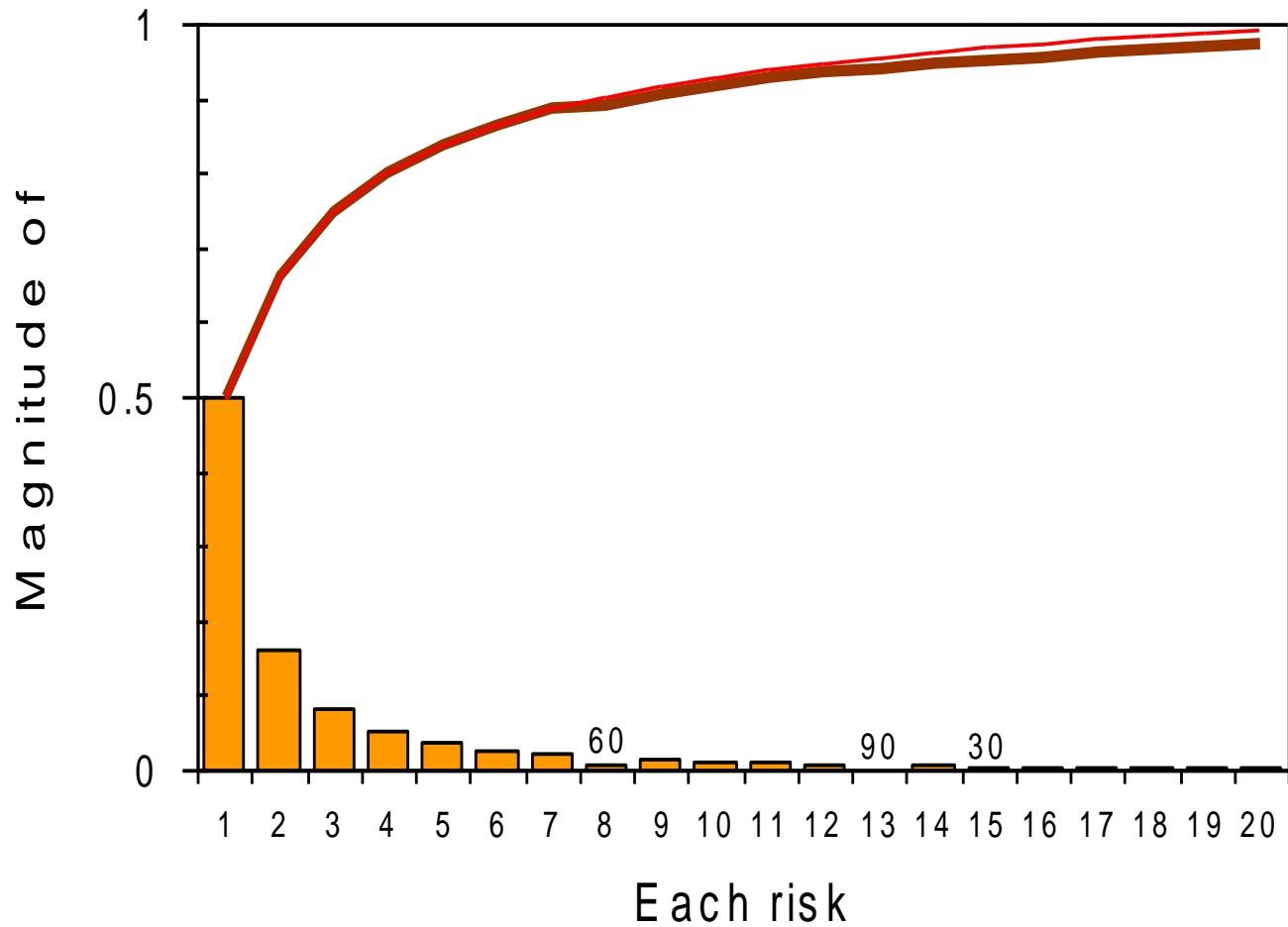
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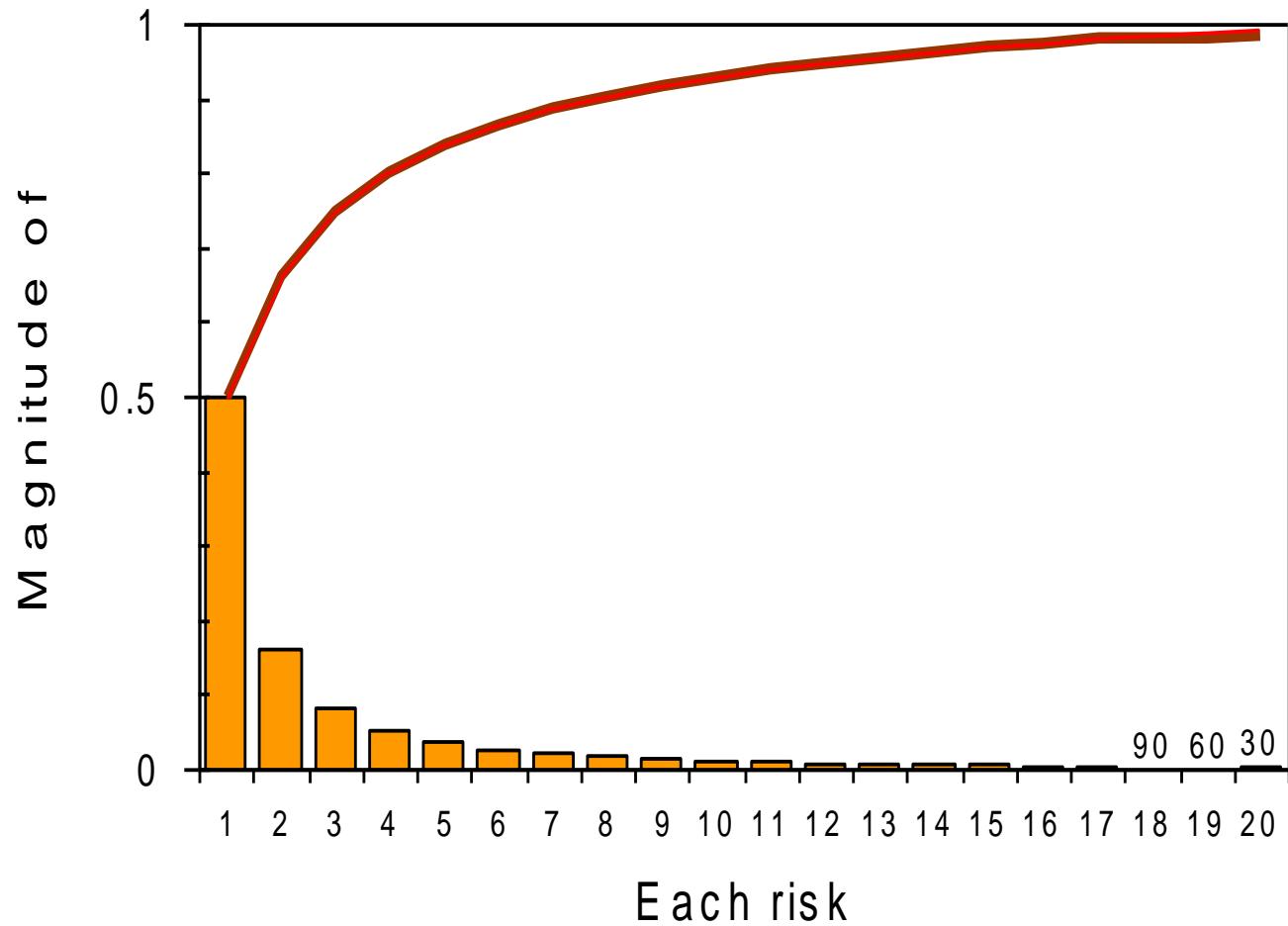


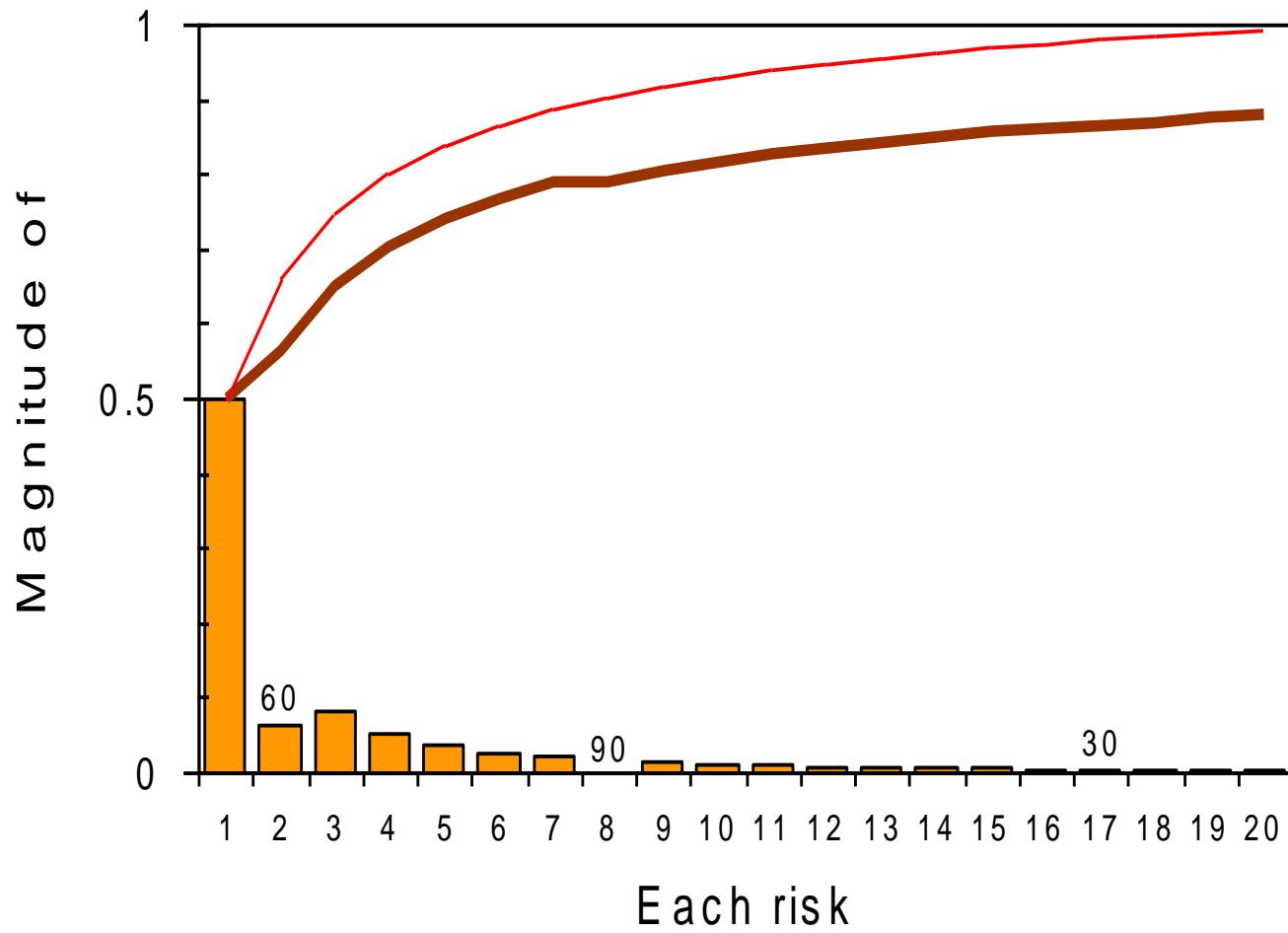


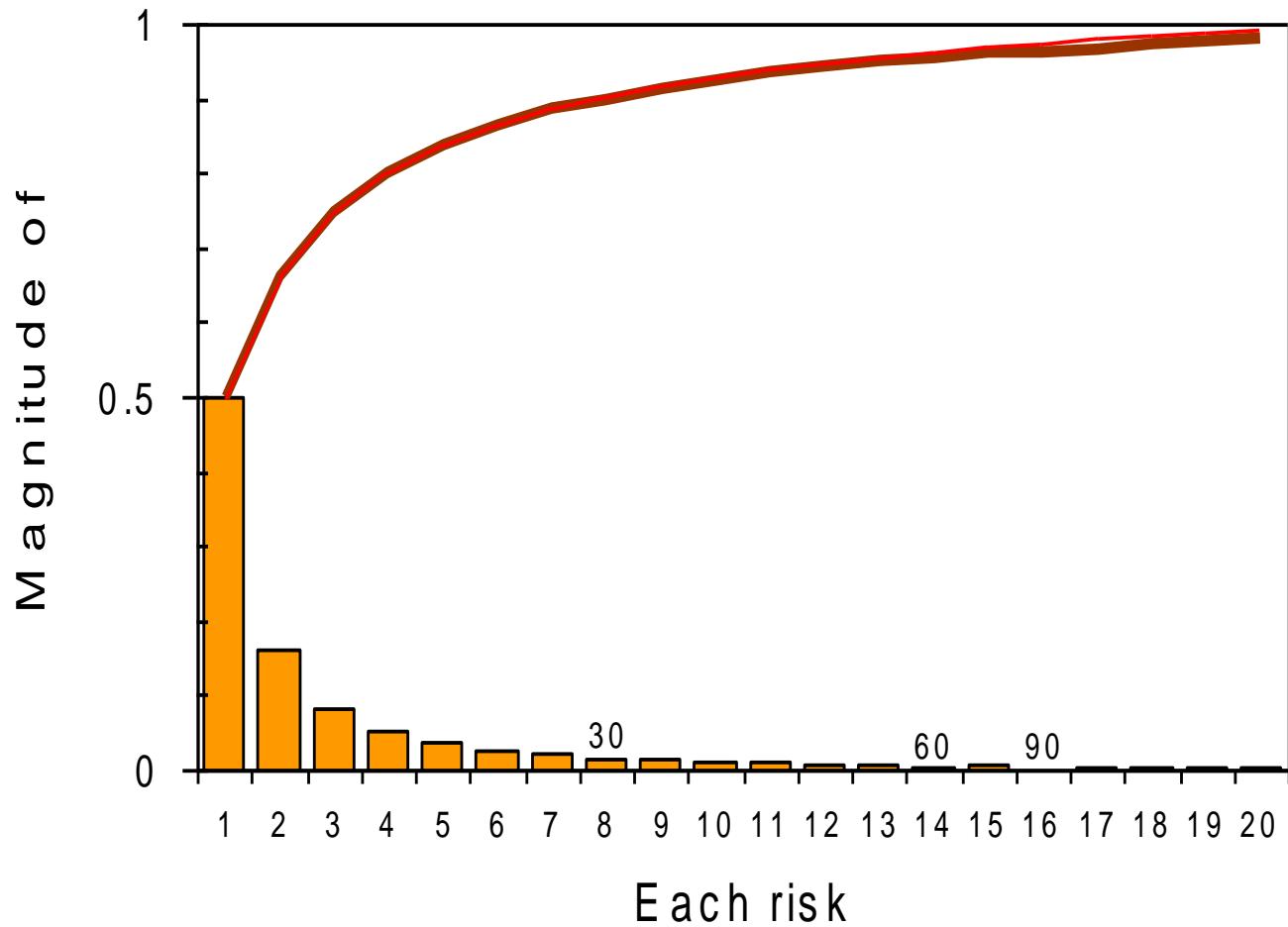


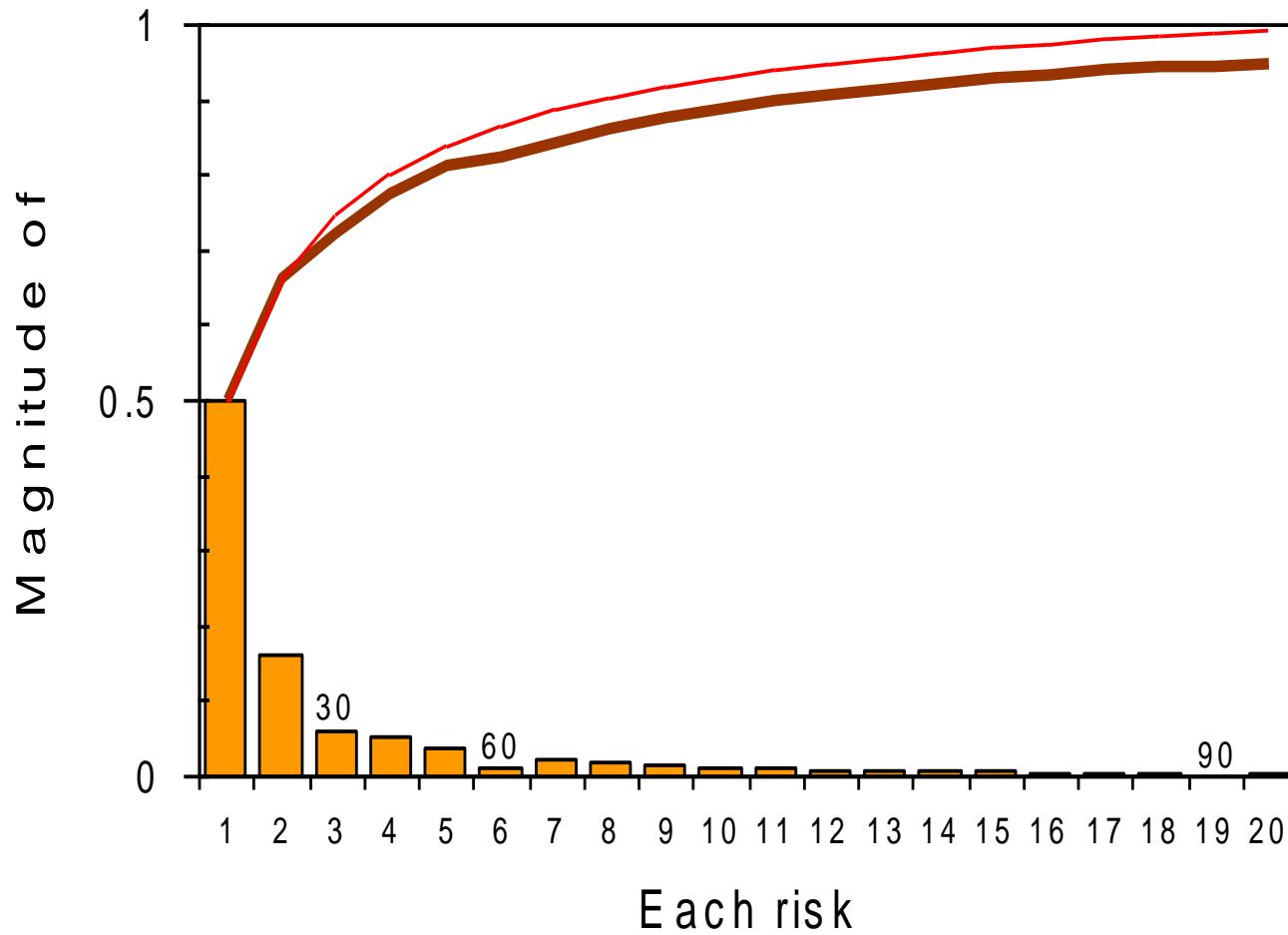


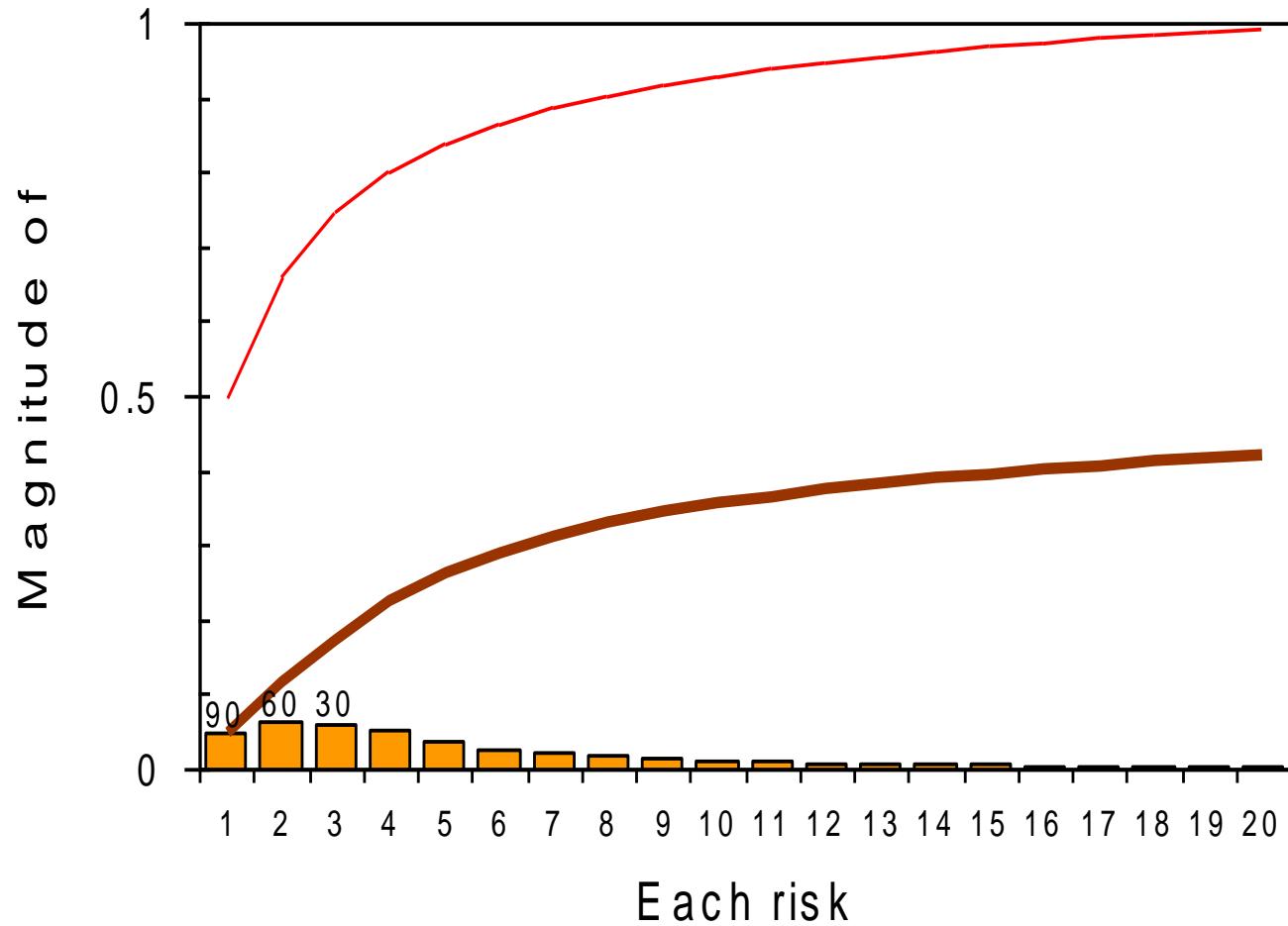












Cultural Property Risk Analysis Model

- Define context and scope
- Identify risks
- Determine expected losses
- Evaluate risks

Management

- more or less skilled handling of something [risks]
- “*more or less skilled*”
- Skill → joint evaluation of:
 - assessed risks,
 - and ability to mitigate

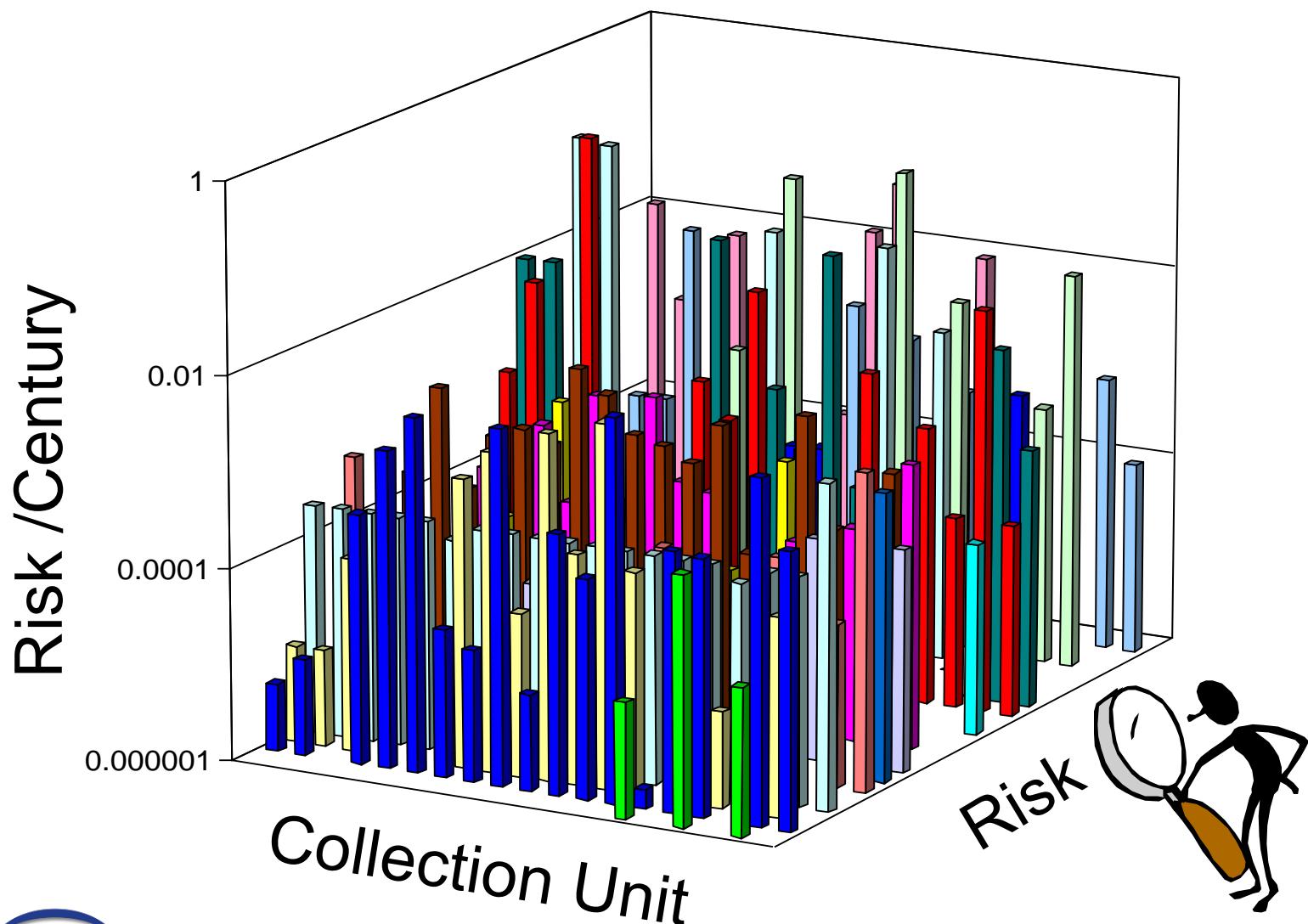
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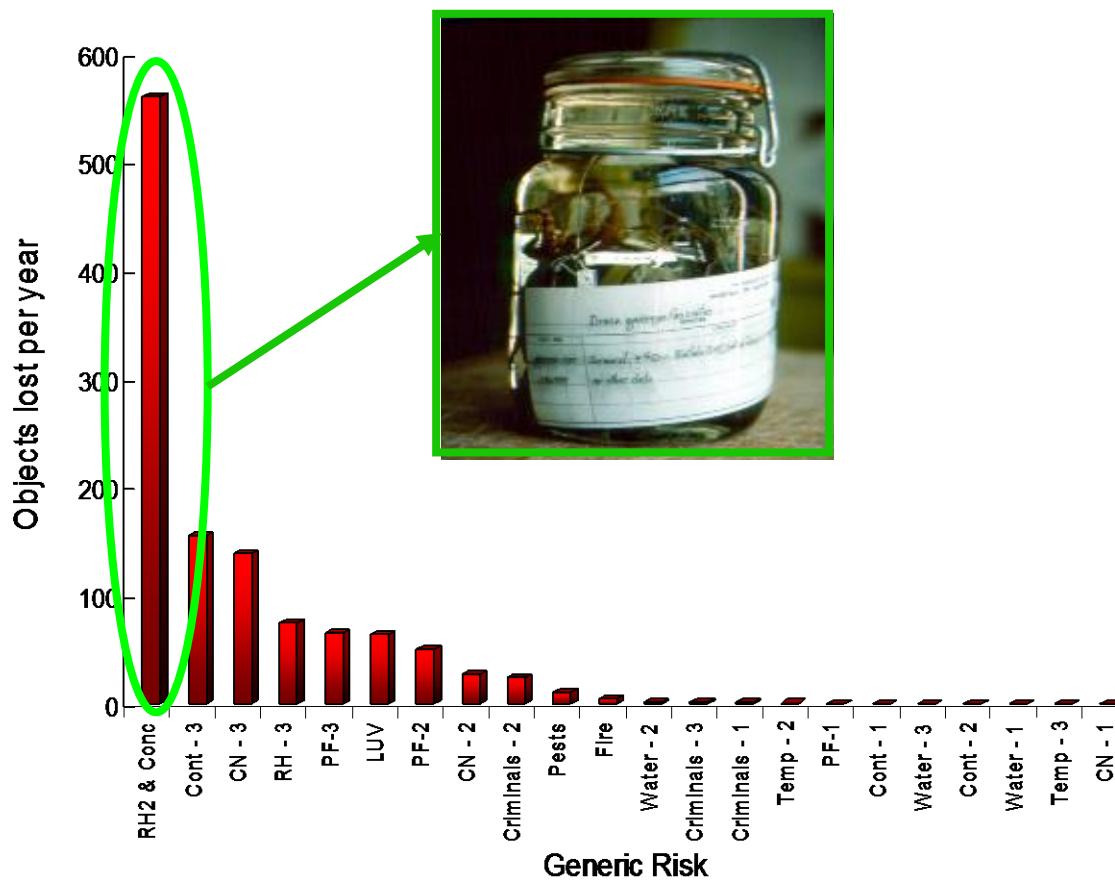
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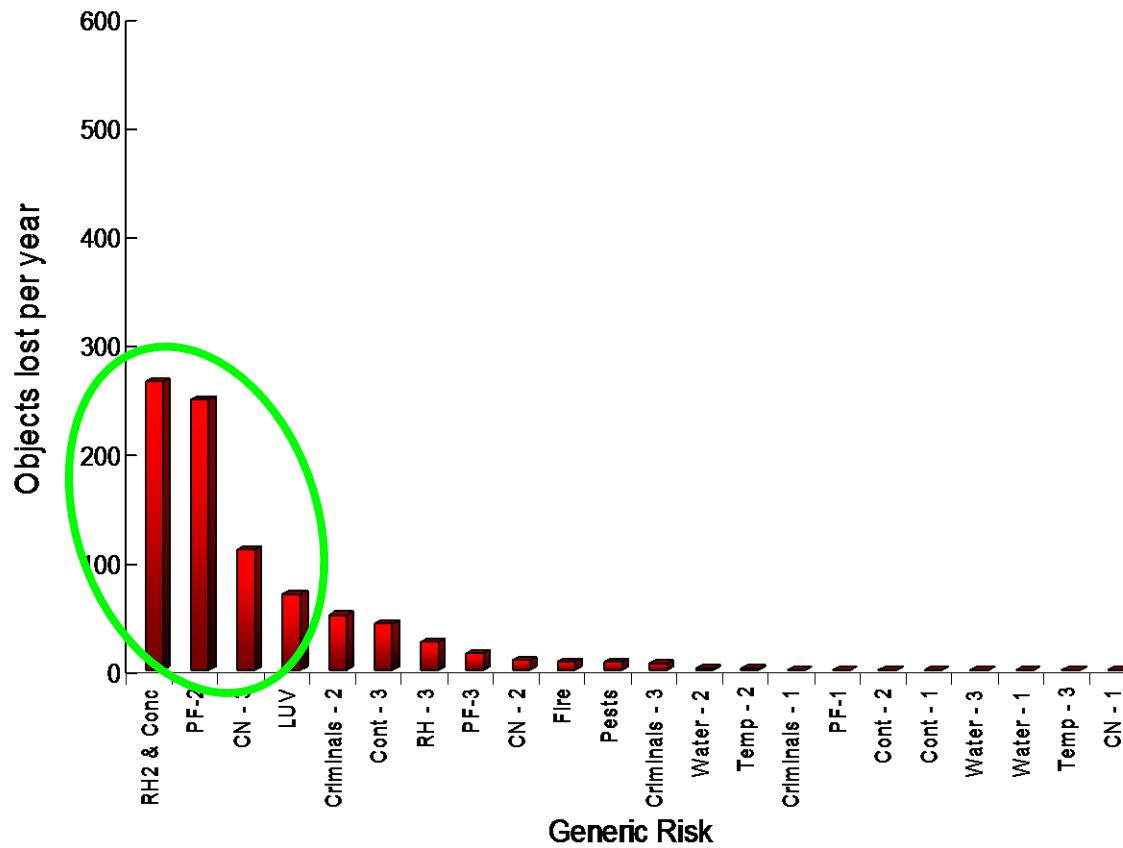
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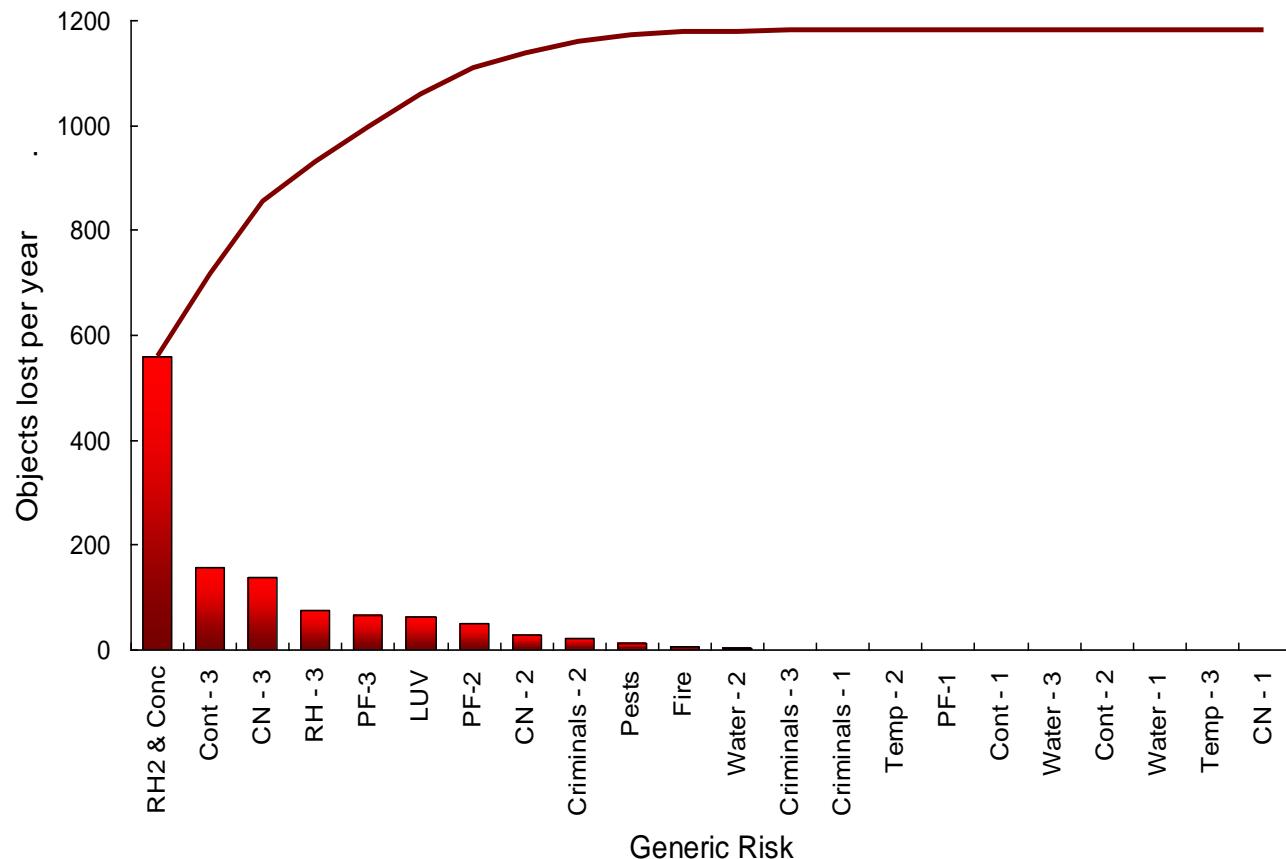
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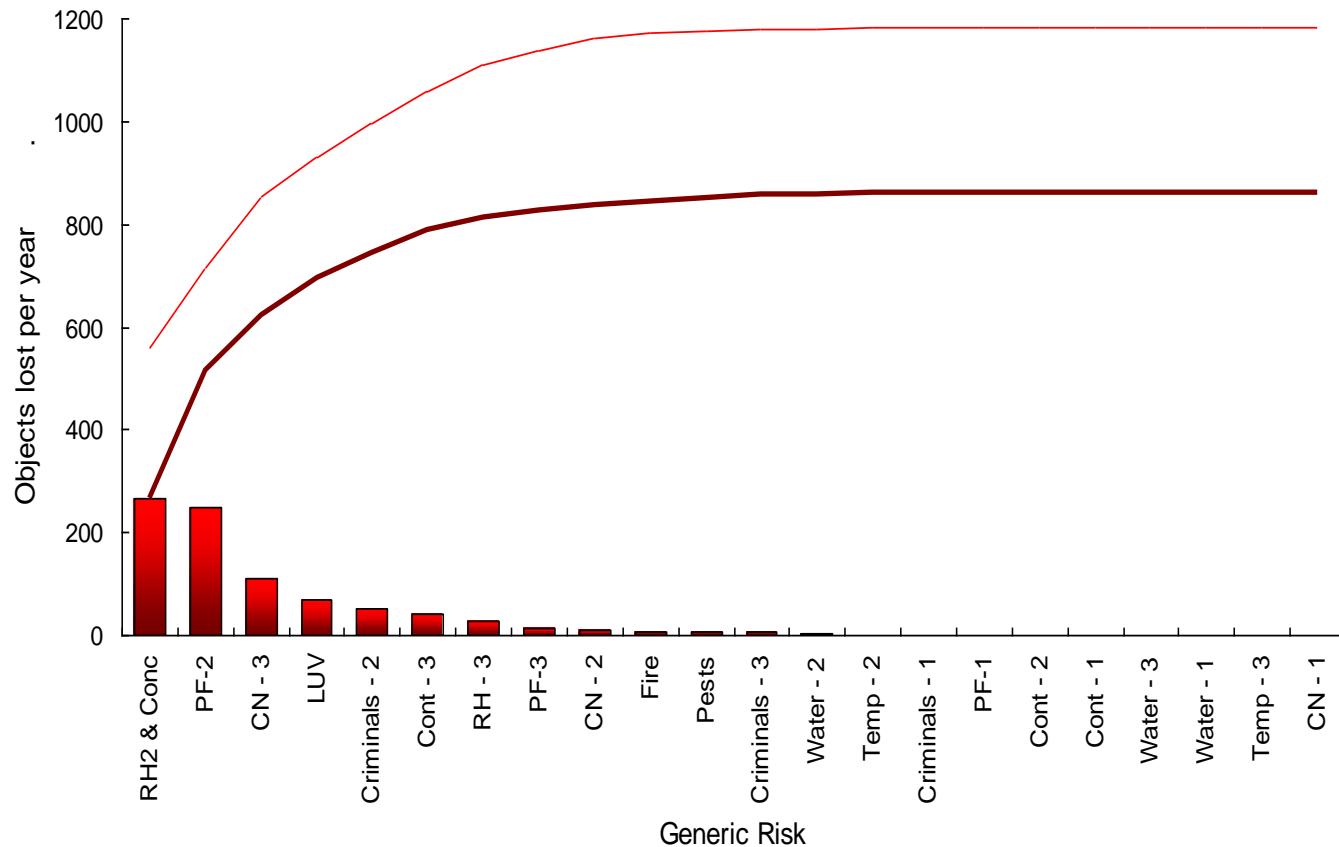
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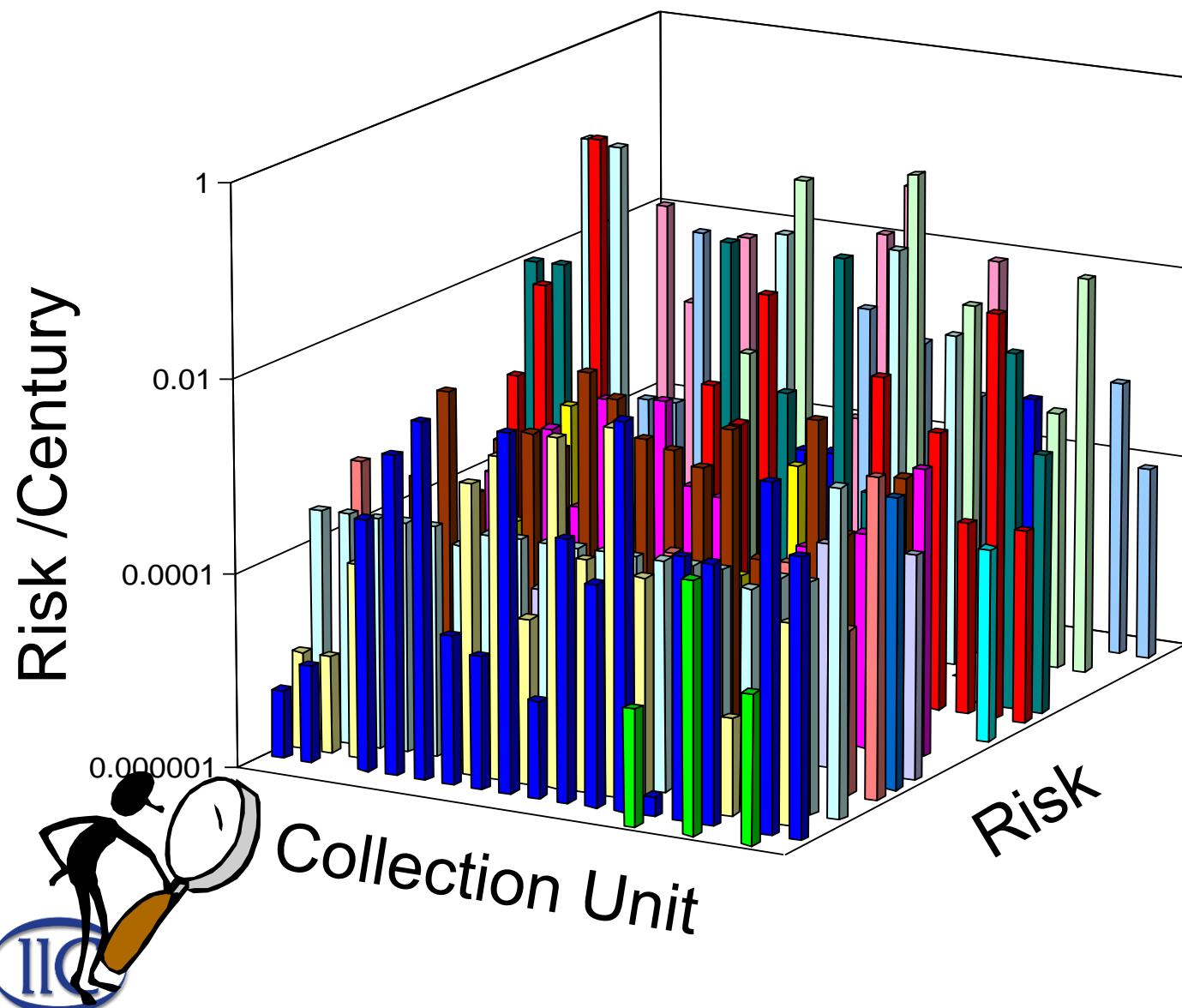


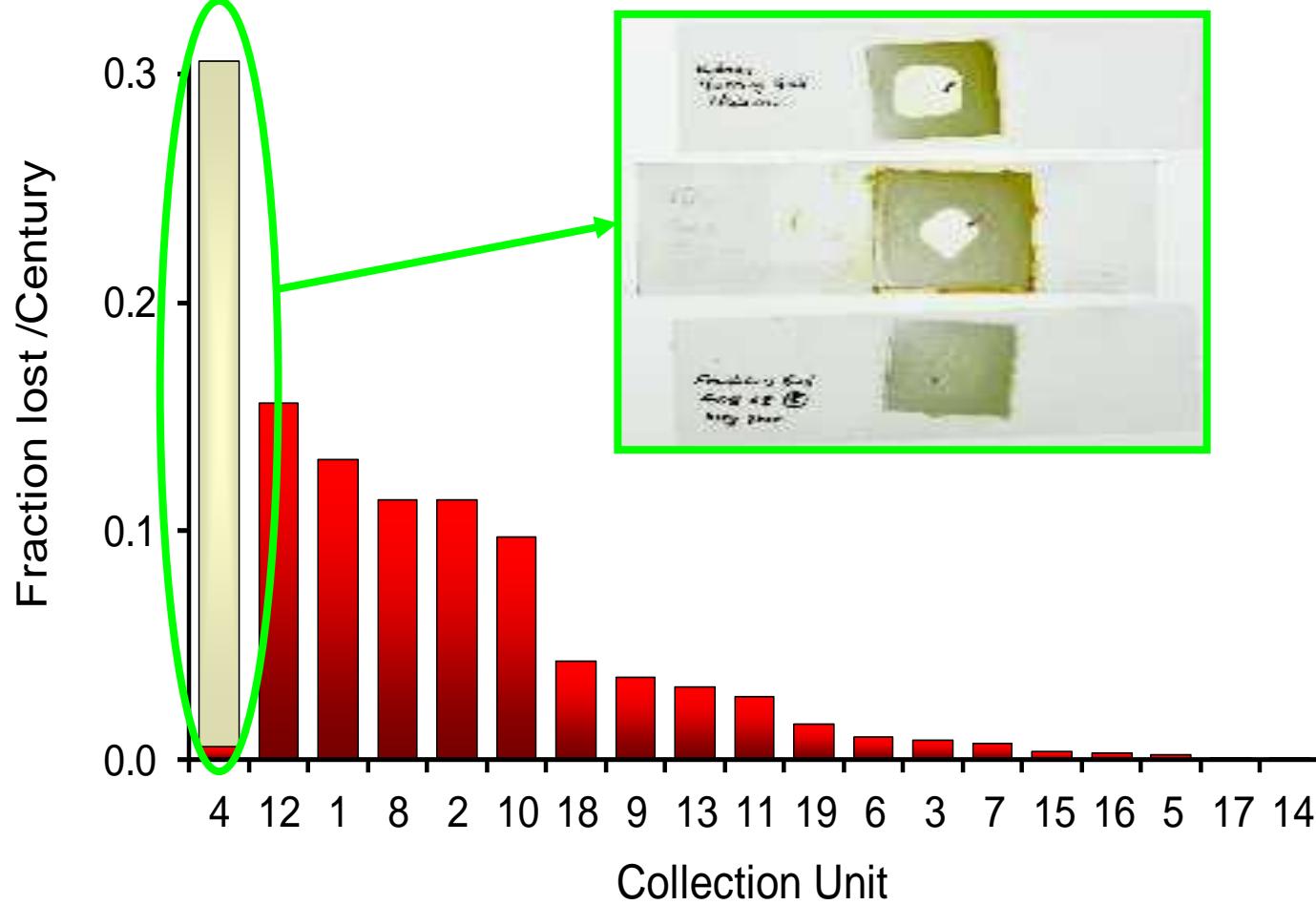
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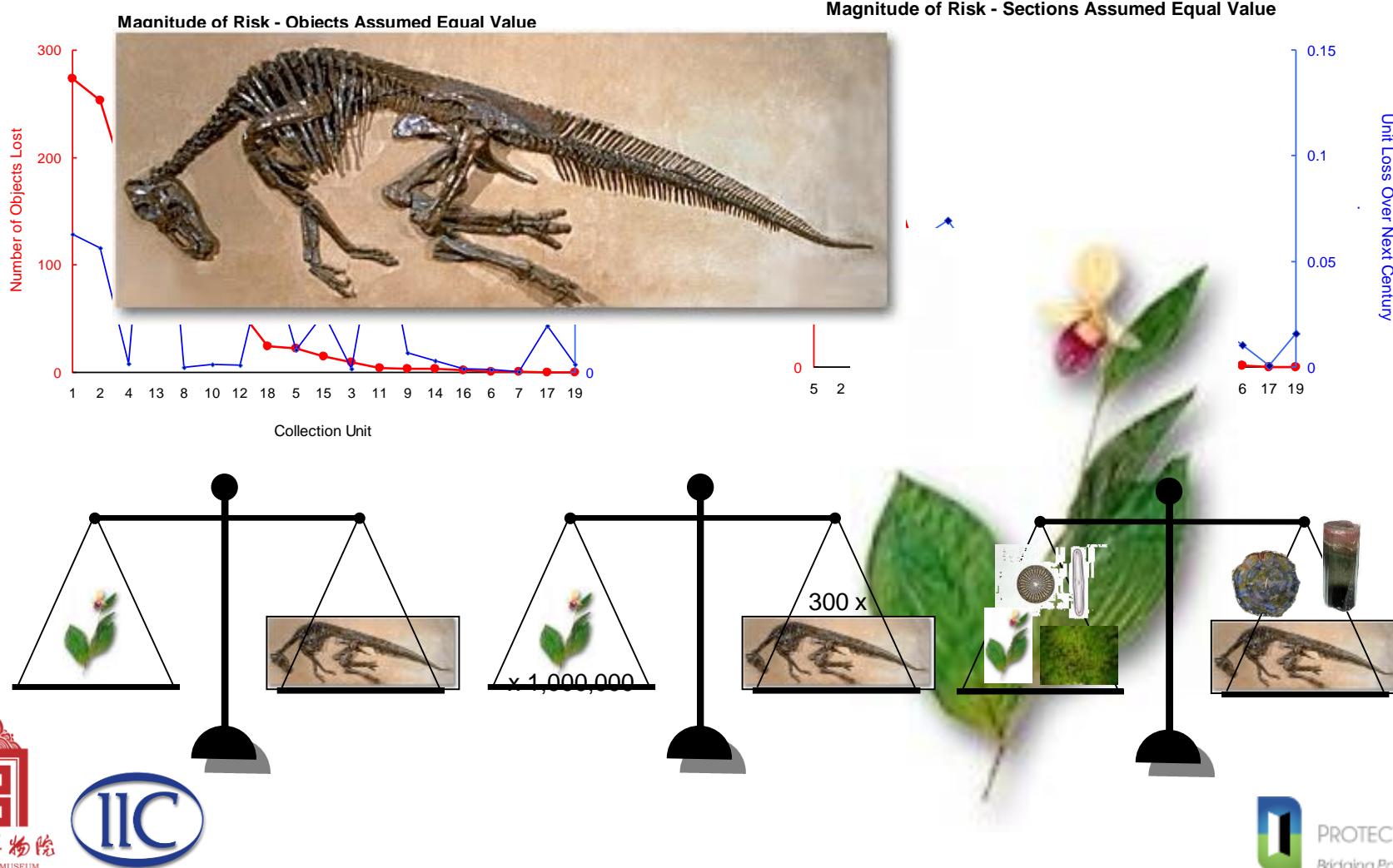
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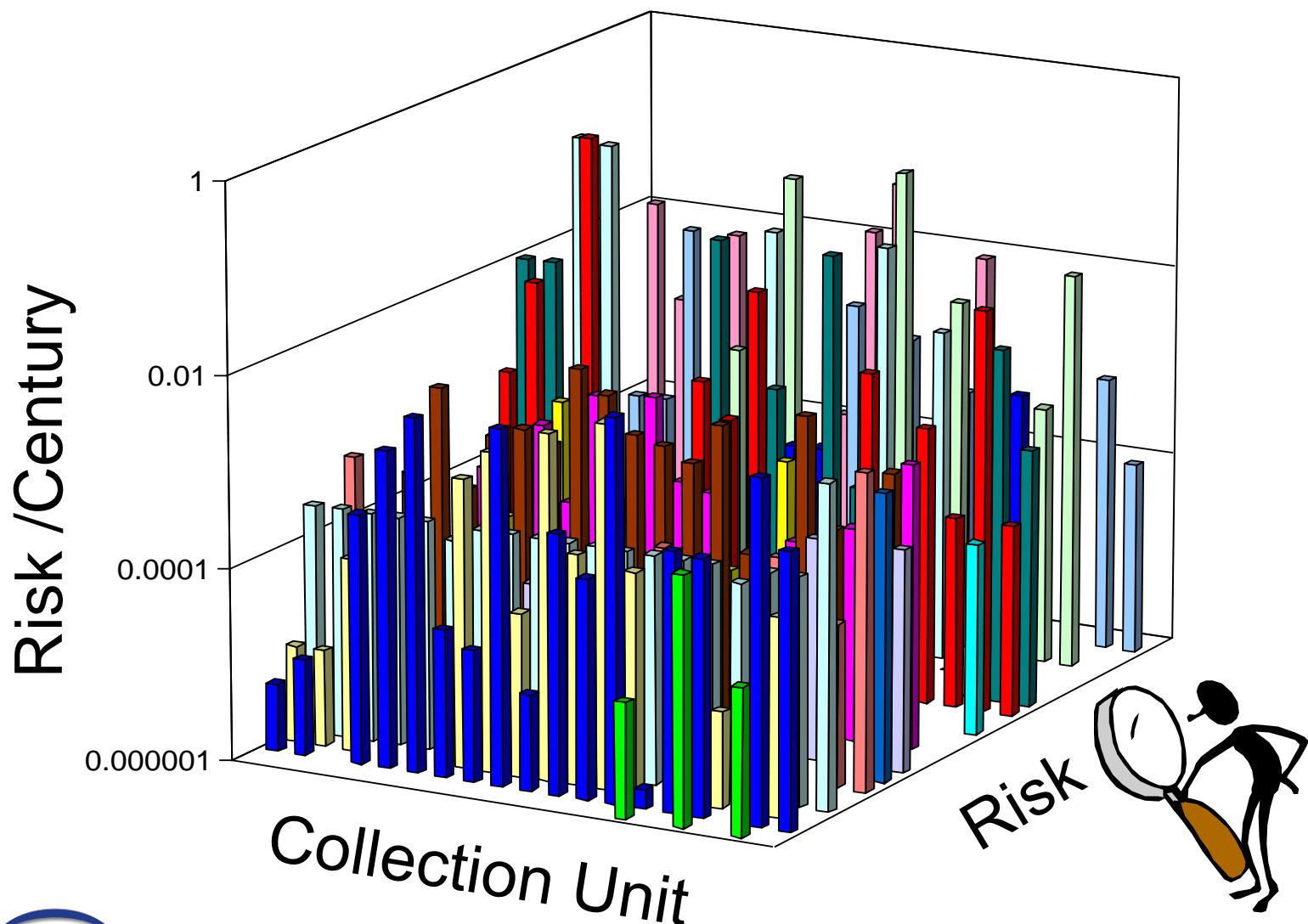
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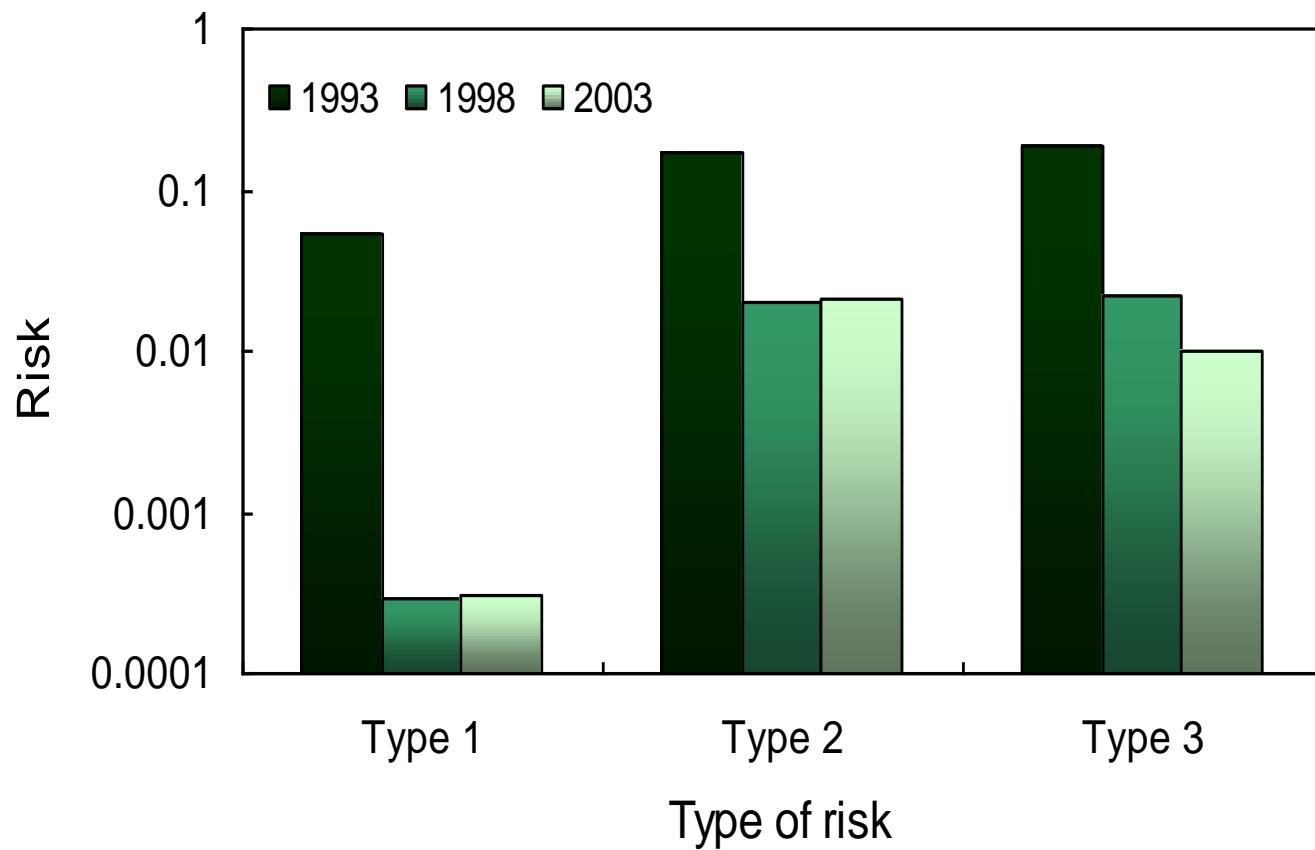
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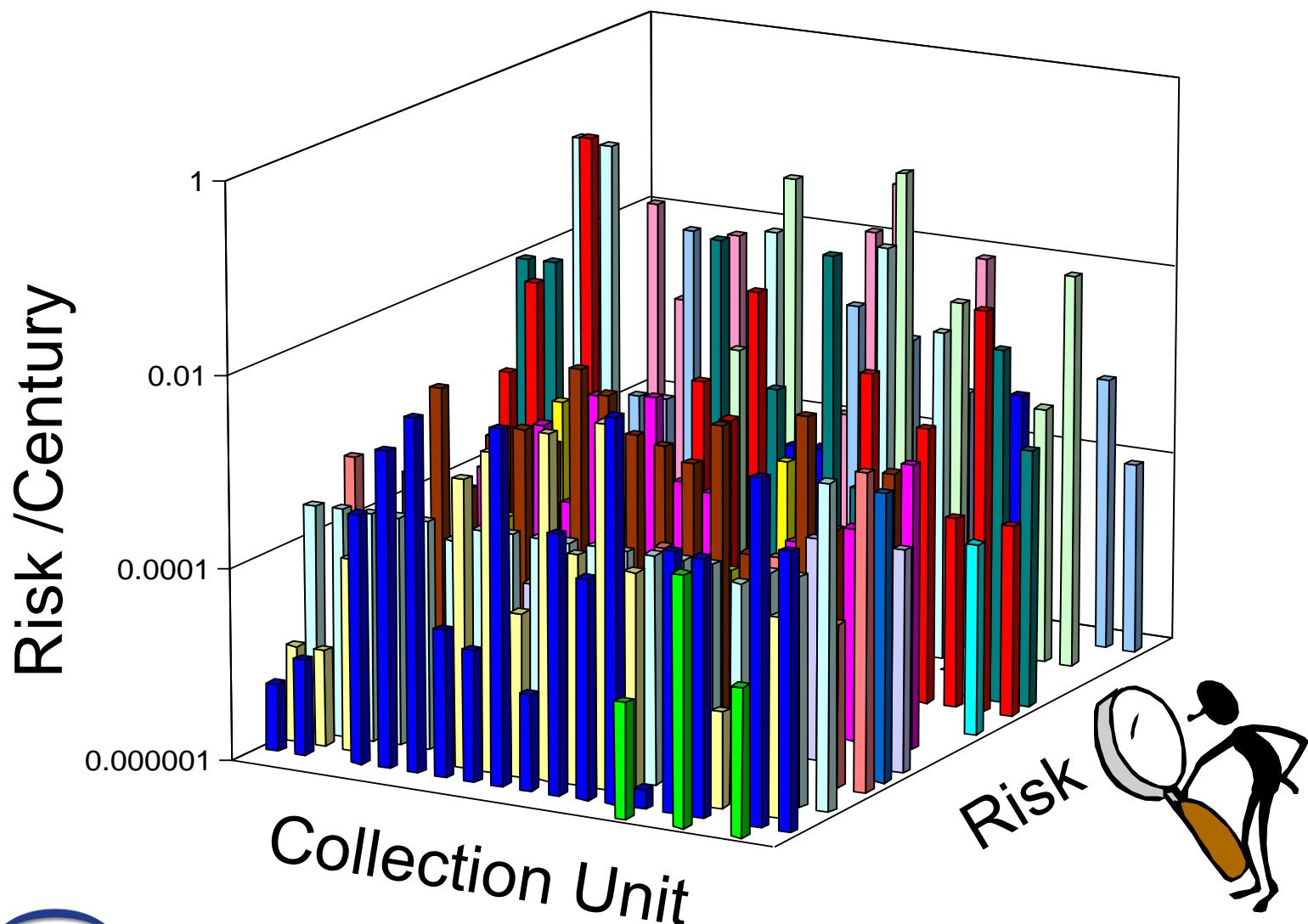
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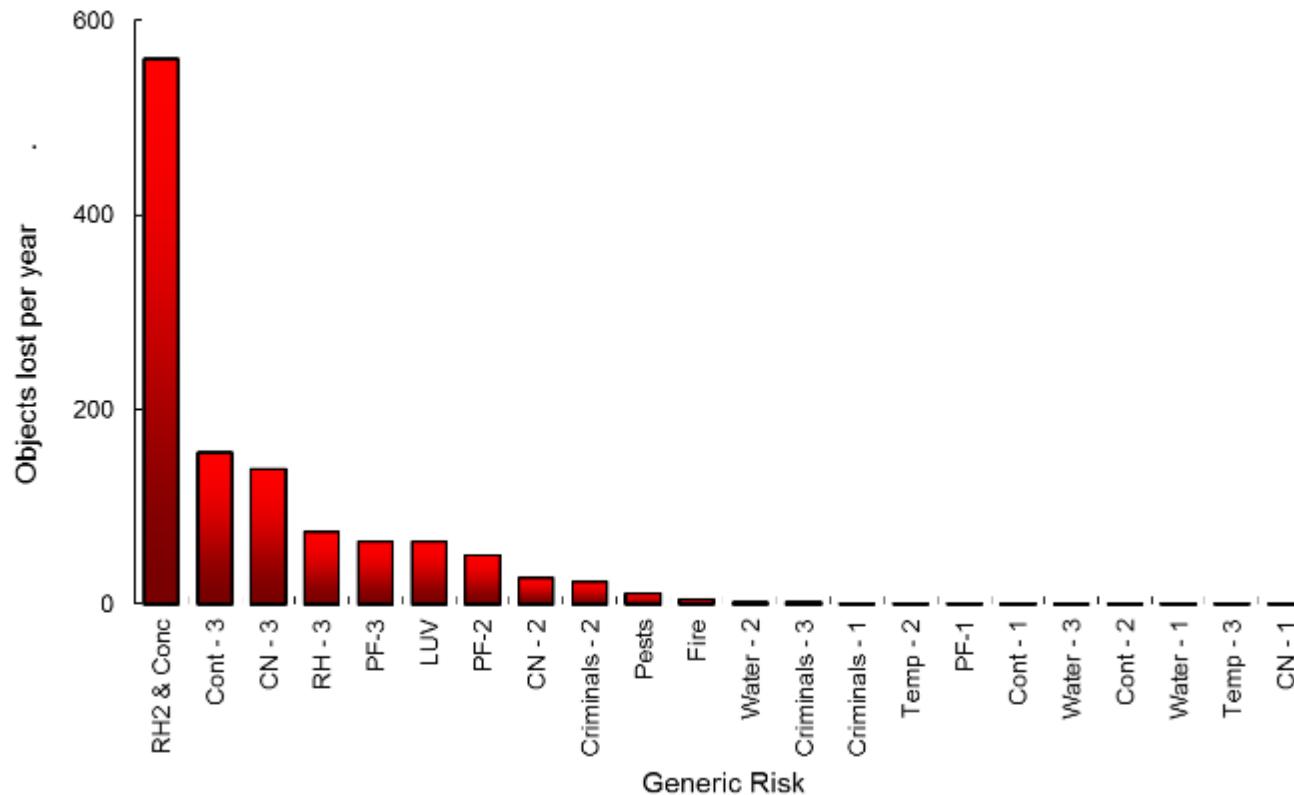
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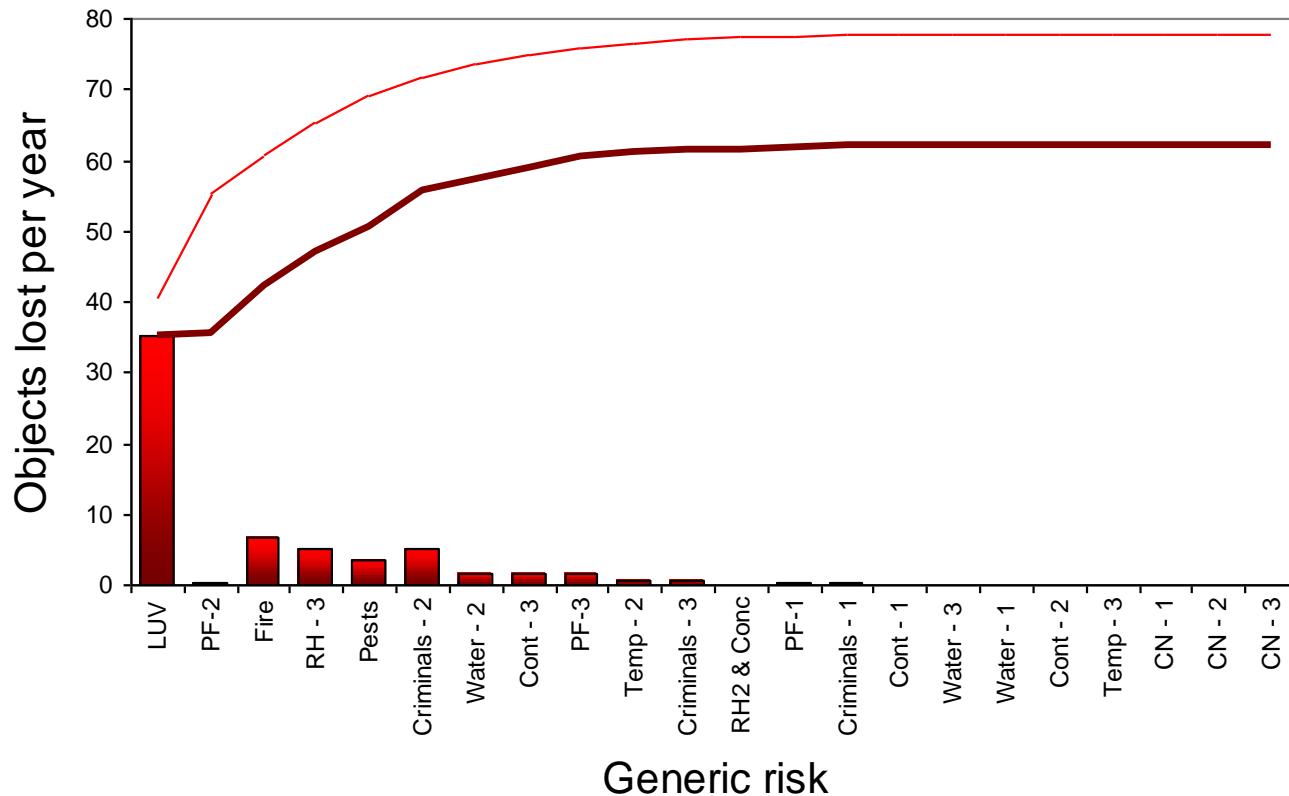
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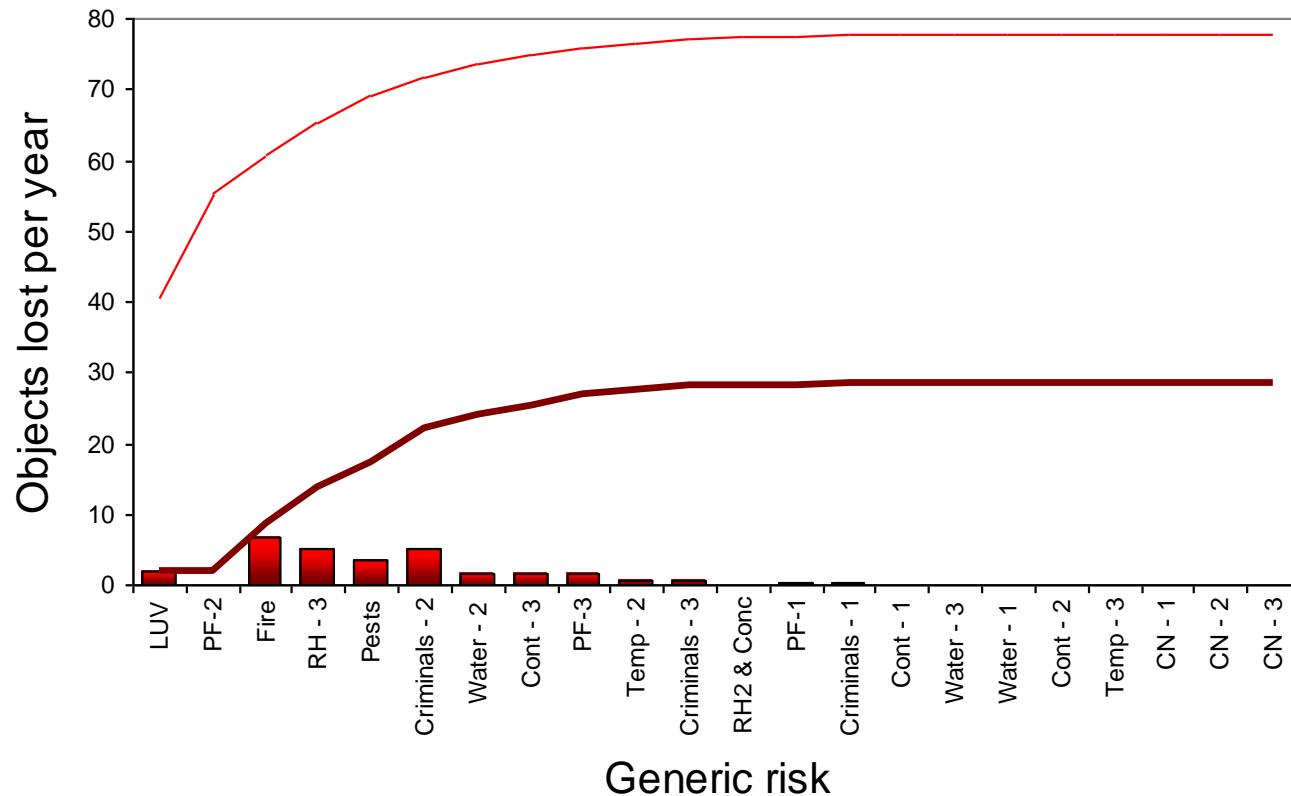
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Cultural Property Risk Analysis Model

2008 Projected Facilities share of risks



Conclusion

- CPRAM enables skillful management of preservation.
- It is not easy but ...





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