

• Deductible Contracts

→ A deductible contract is one where the insurance company pays nothing for losses below some specified amount D (the deductible), but agrees to pay full coverage on any losses incurred in excess of D .

* The level of coverage or indemnity is given by

$$C = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } L \leq D \\ L - D & \text{for } L > D \end{cases}$$

* A contract with $D=0$ corresponds to full insurance ($C=L$).

* A contract w/ $D=L_m$ corresponds to no insurance: the consumer is responsible for any loss then L_m .

→ The policy is defined by $D \in [0, L_m]$ and a premium amount P .

* For a coinsurance contract, the premium amount is a total price for the policy, rather than a premium rate multiplied by the amount of coverage (since coverage is now variable).

* Insurance policies w/ deductibles are so much more common than coinsurance contracts.

• Level of Coverage

→ Plot the amount of coverage for each policy / contract as a function of actual loss L .

