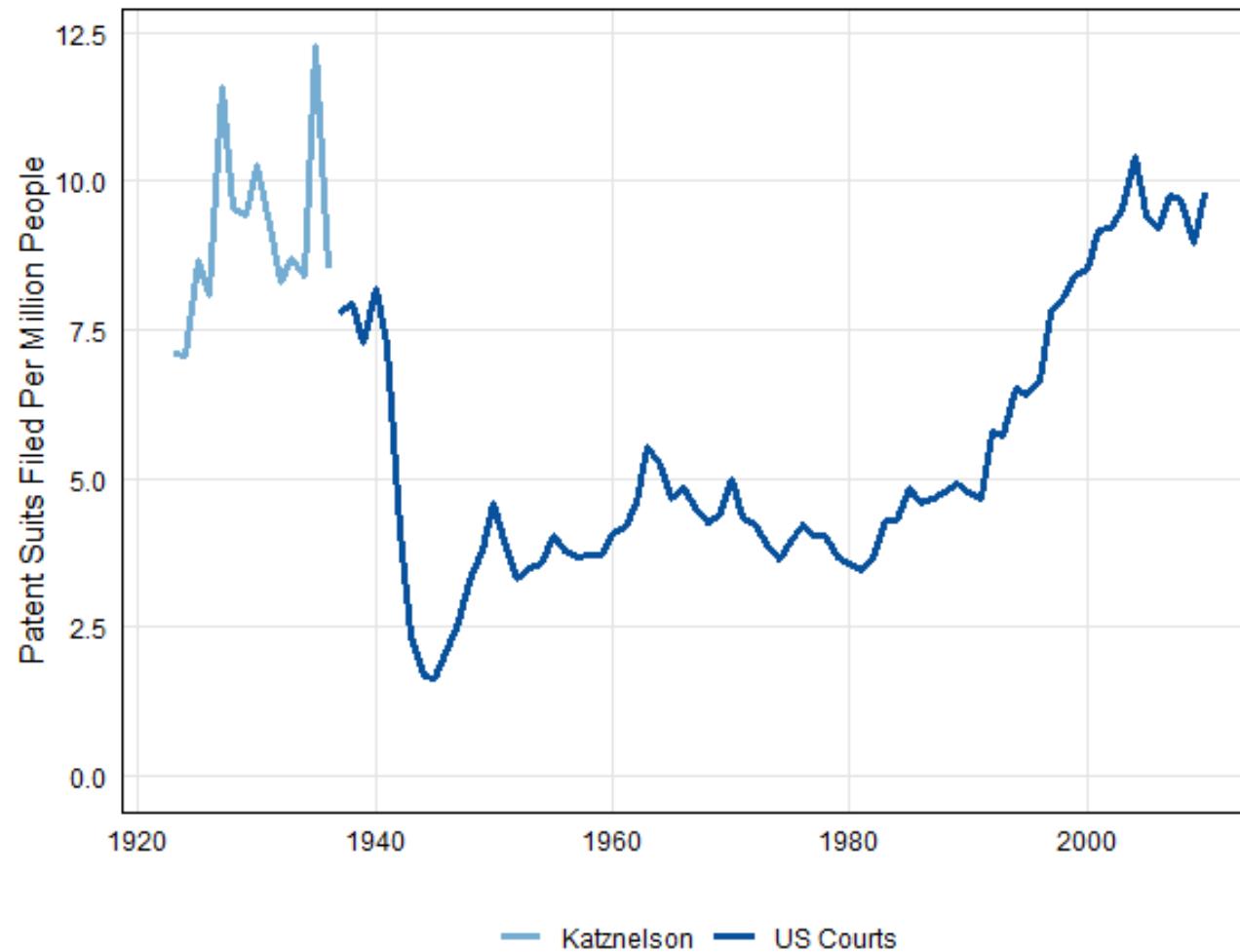


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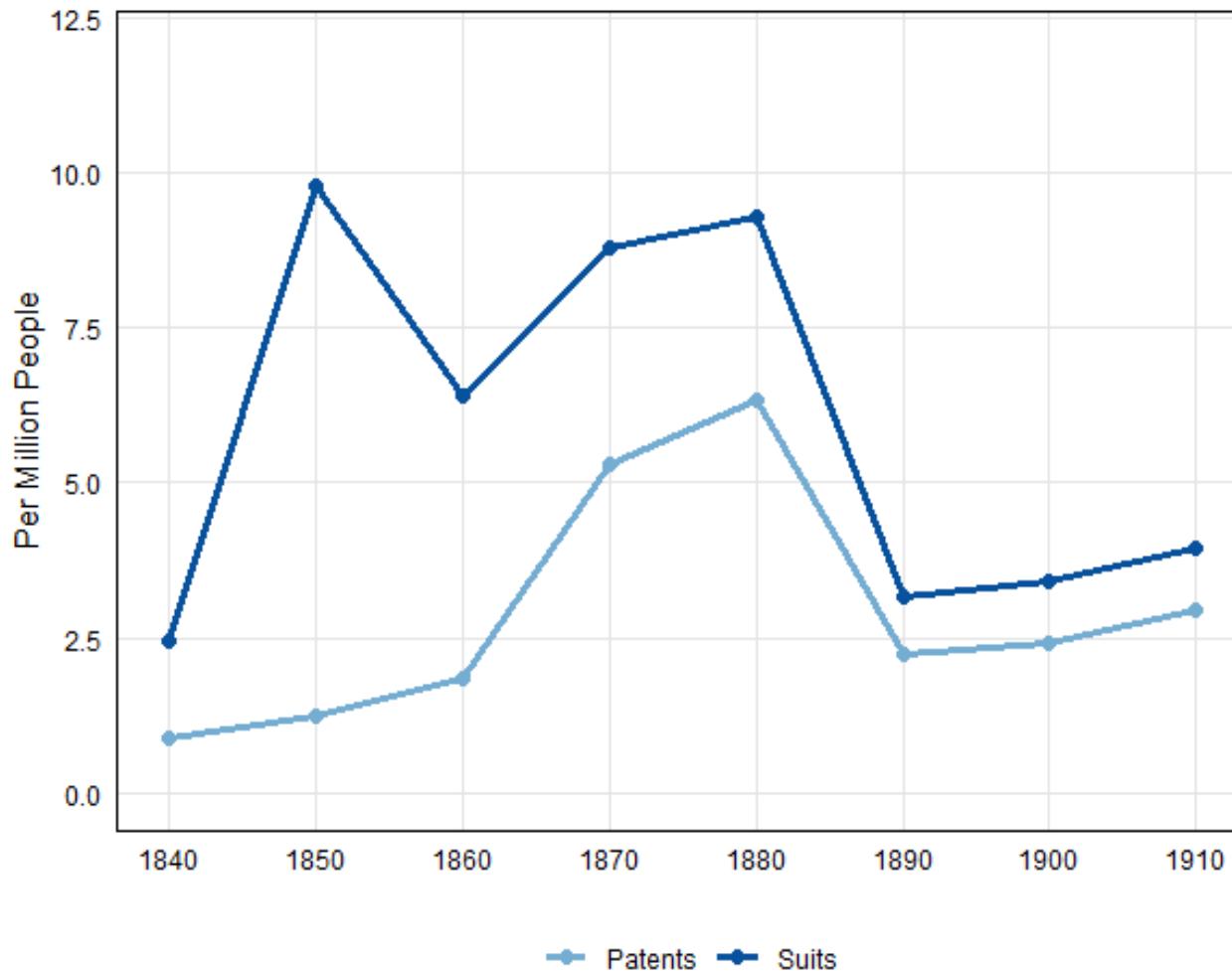
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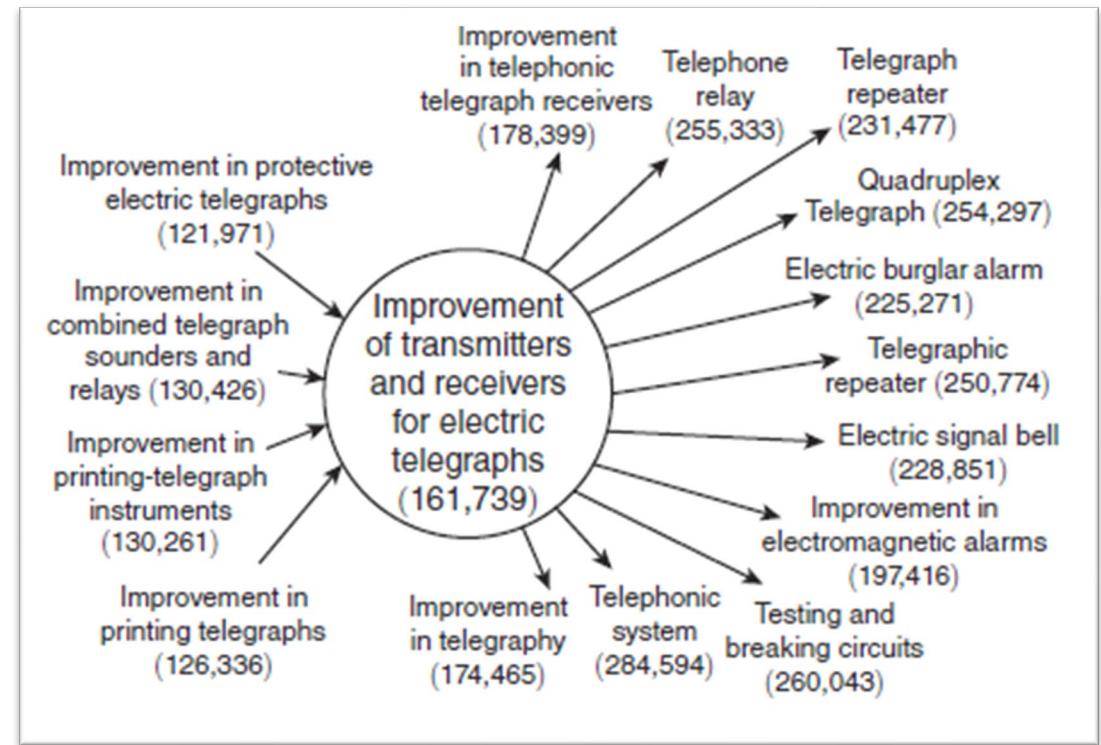
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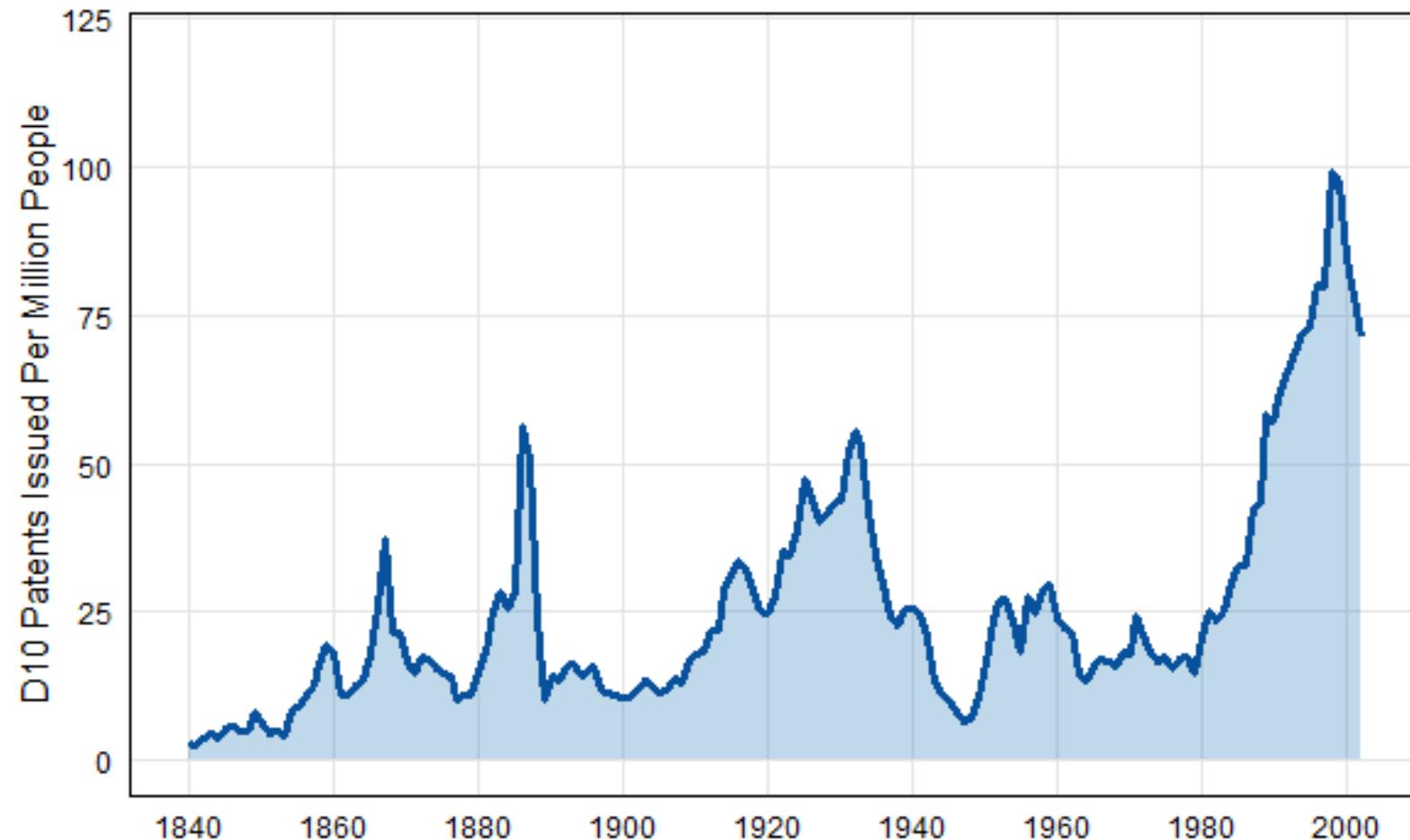
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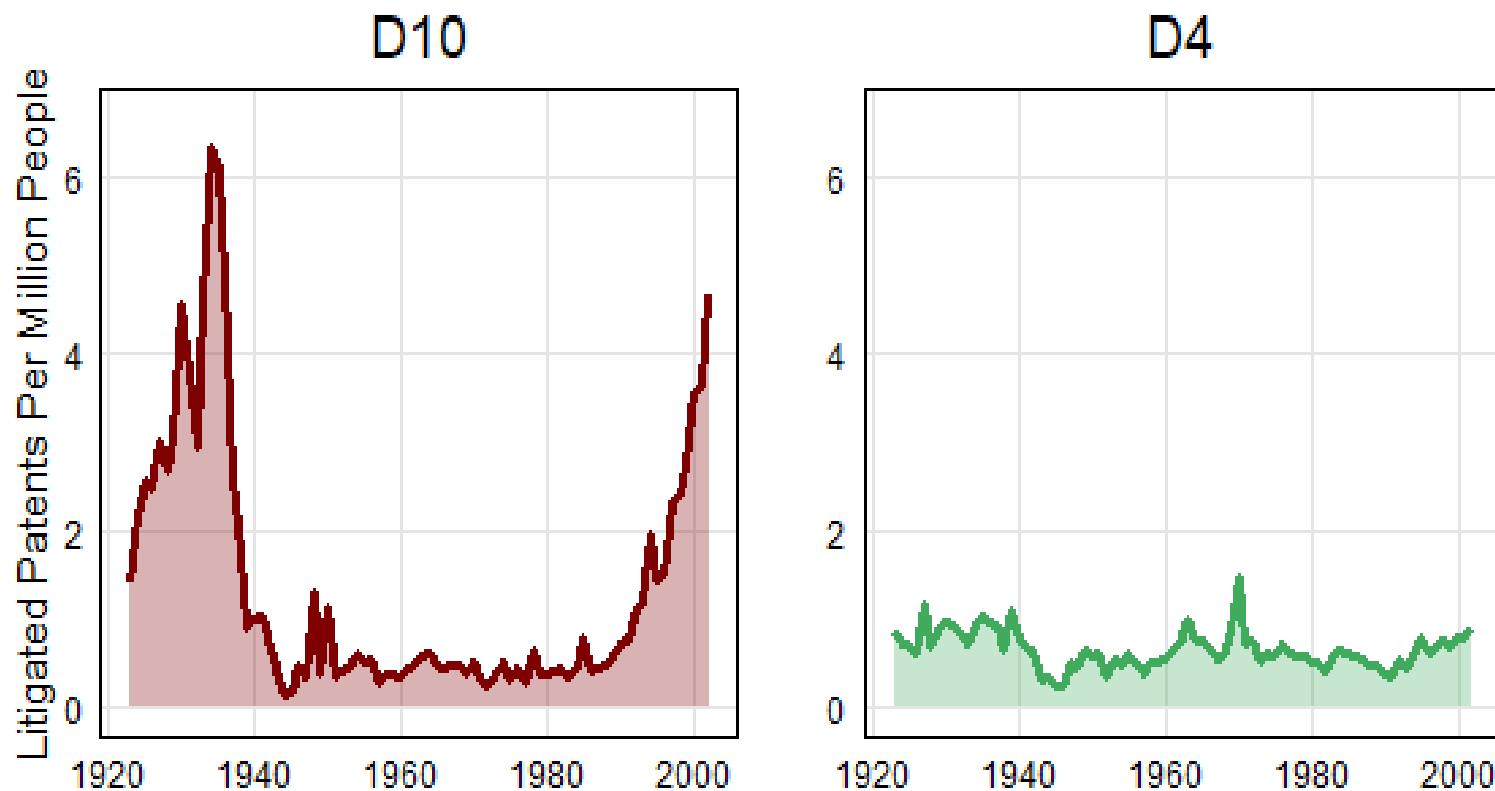
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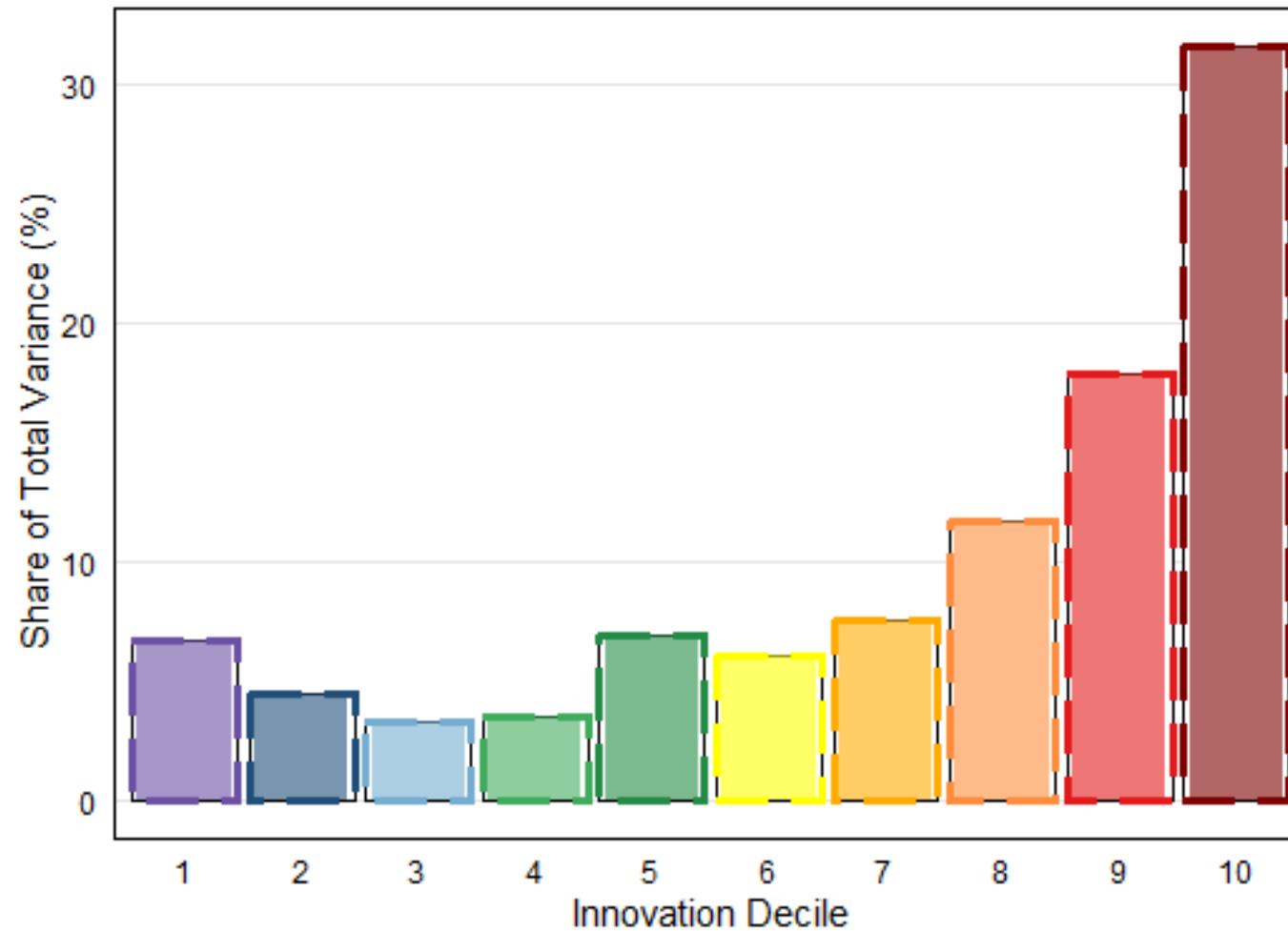
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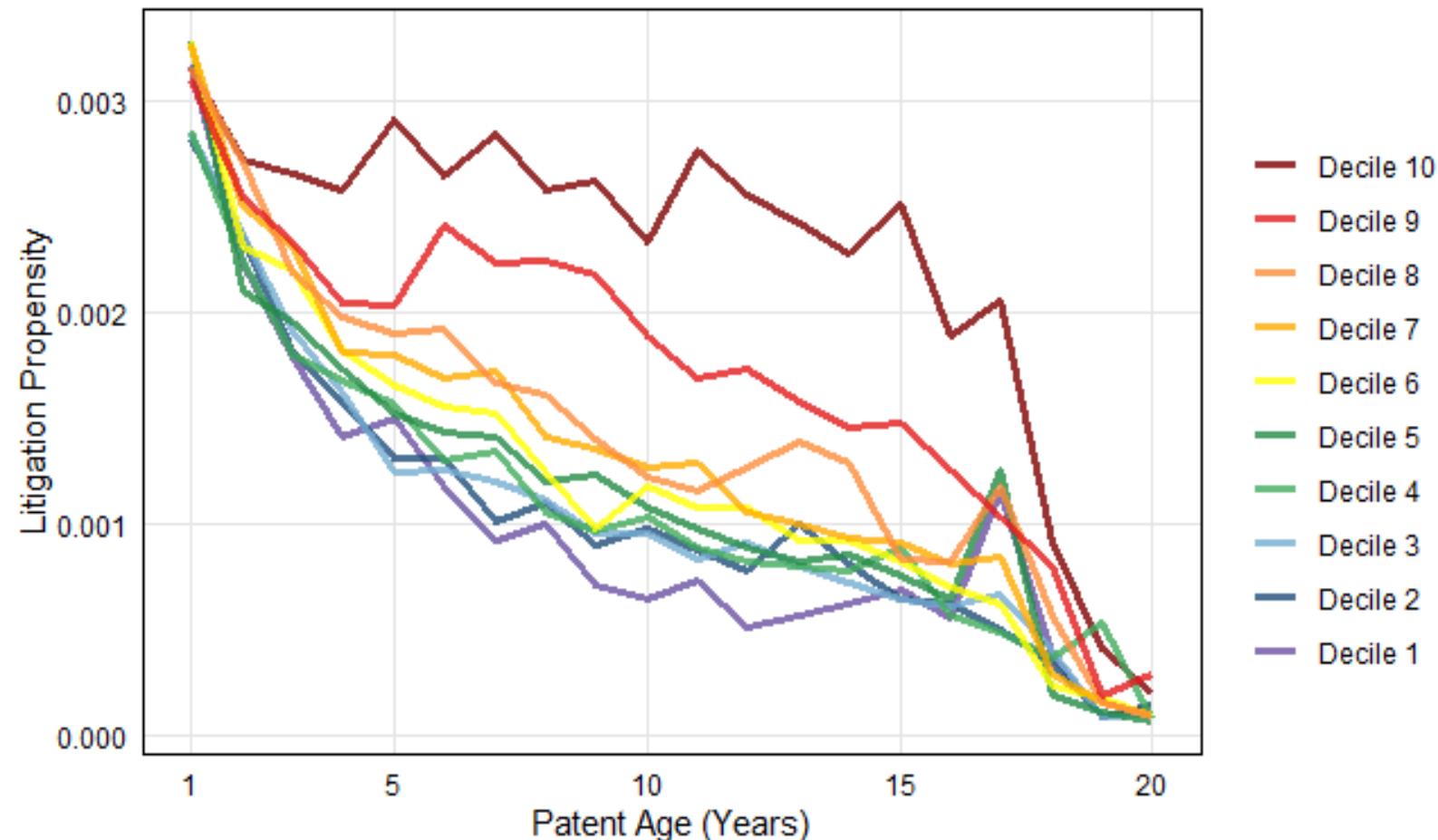
Variance Decomposition, D1-D10



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Age/Litigation Curves, D1-D10



D10 Litigation Premium

