

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

إِن يَنْصُرْكُمُ اللَّهُ فَلَا غَالِبَ لَكُمْ وَإِن يَخْذُلْكُمْ فَمَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَنْصُرُكُمْ مِنْ بَعْدِهِ وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ

أَوَلَمْ يَرِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا أَنَّ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ كَانَتَا رَتْقًا فَفَتَقْنَاهُمَا<sup>١</sup> وَجَعَلْنَا مِنَ الْمَاءِ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ حَيٍّ<sup>٢</sup> أَفَلَا يُؤْمِنُونَ



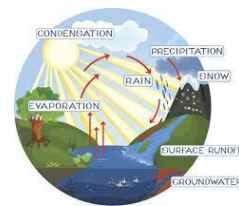


# Real Losses Detection Technique for



## Reducing Non-Revenue Water

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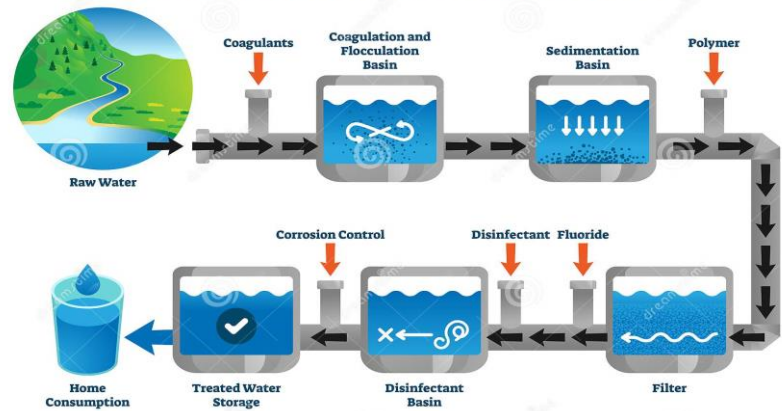
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## WATER PURIFICATION PLANT





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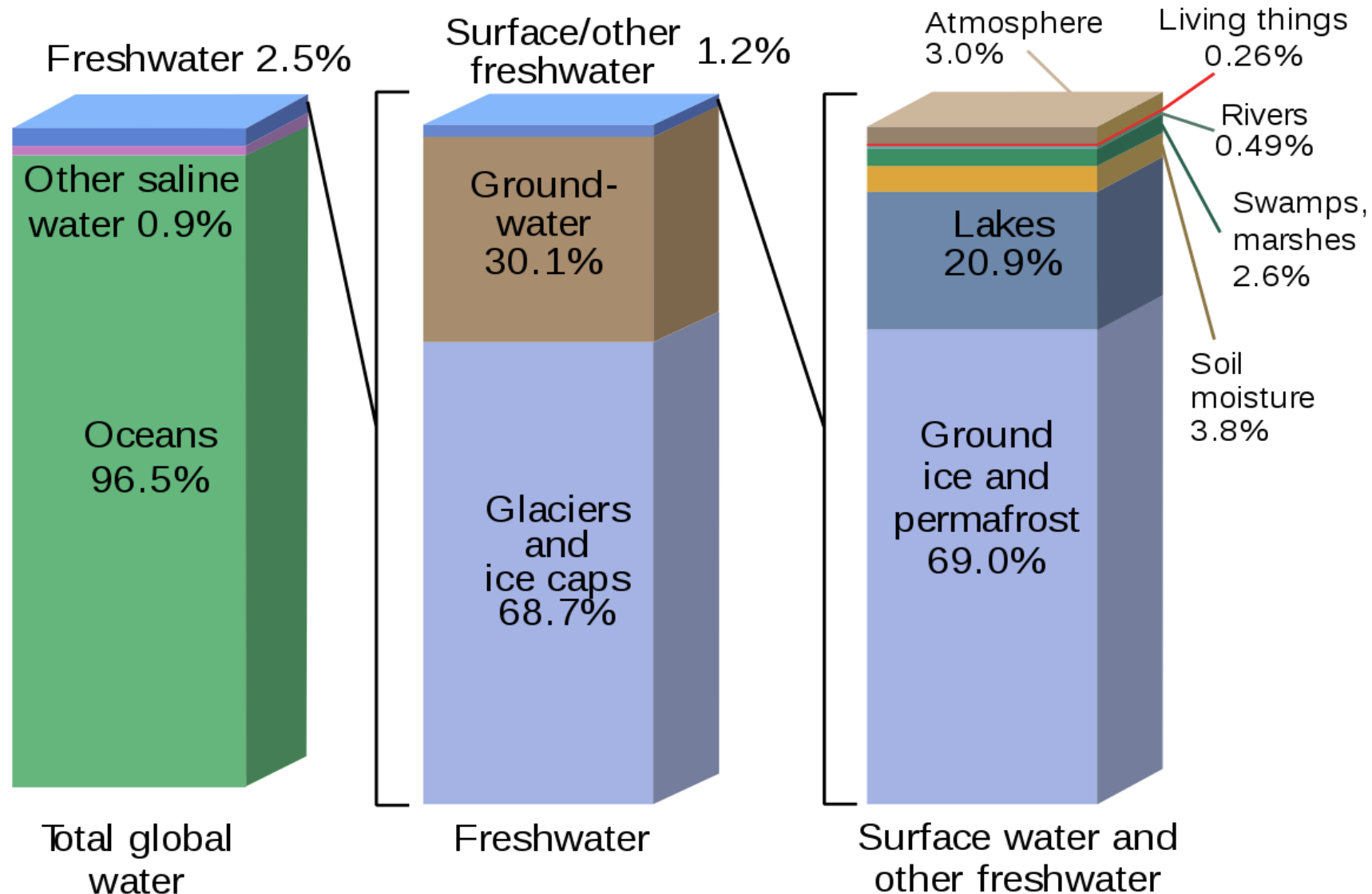




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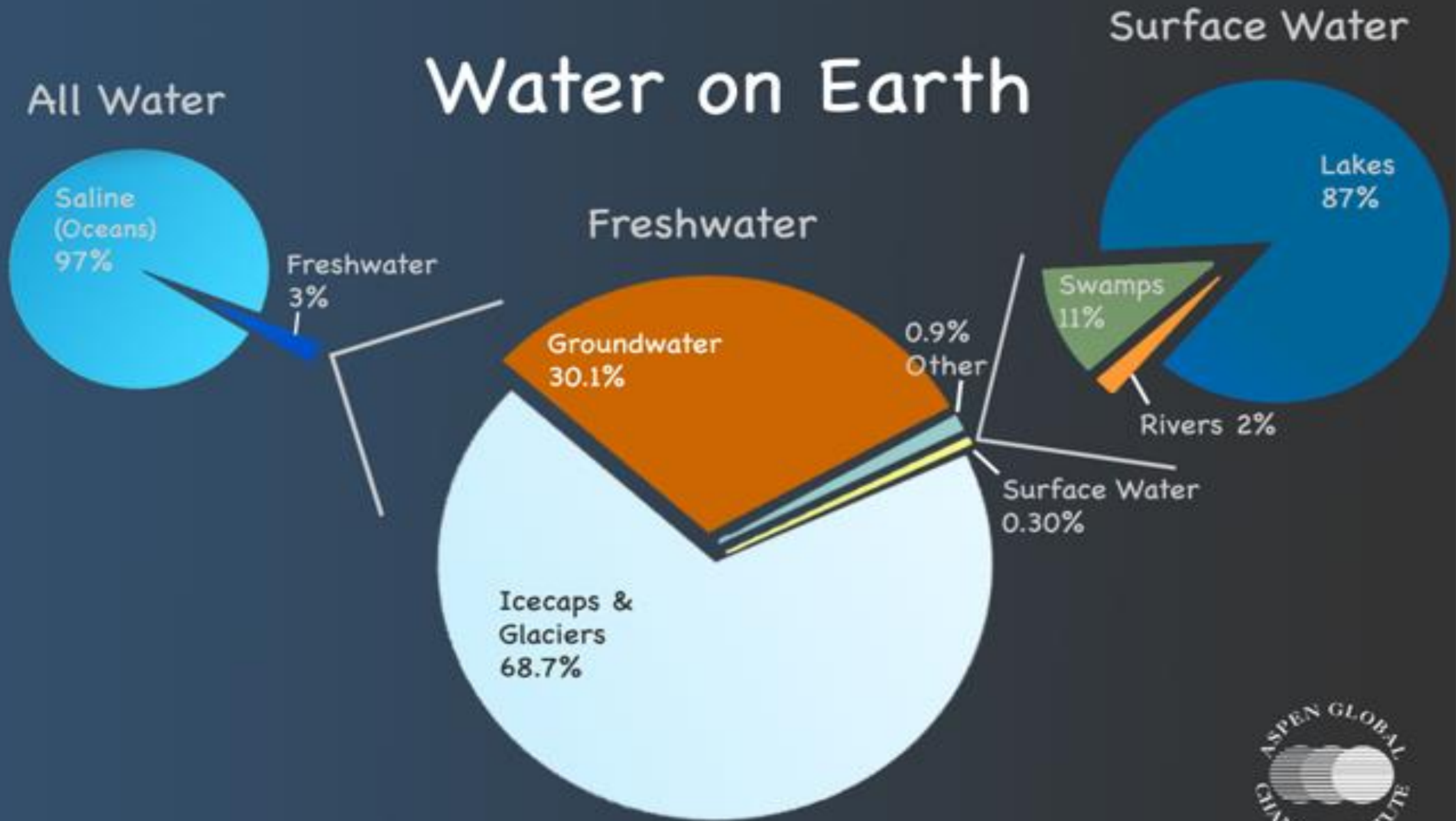


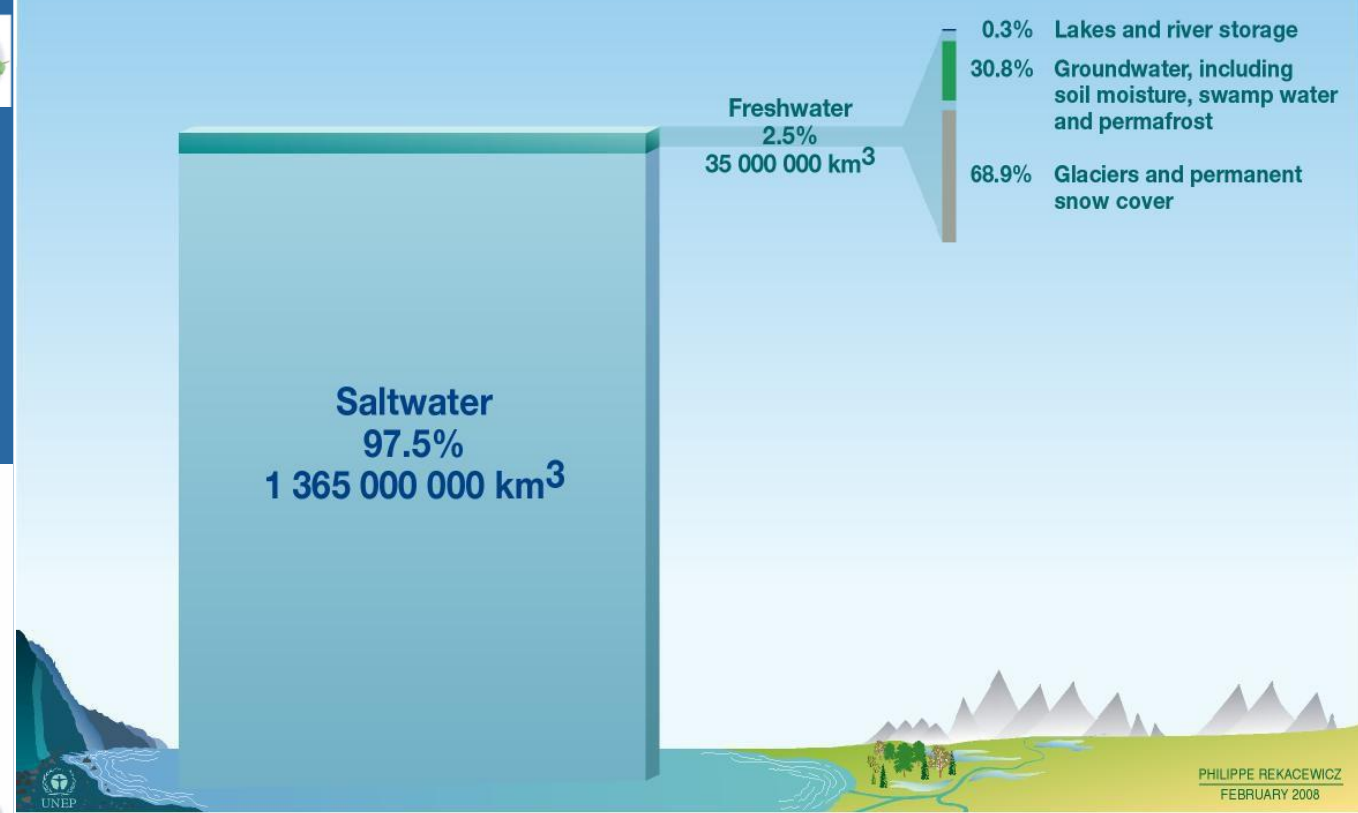
# Where is Earth's Water?





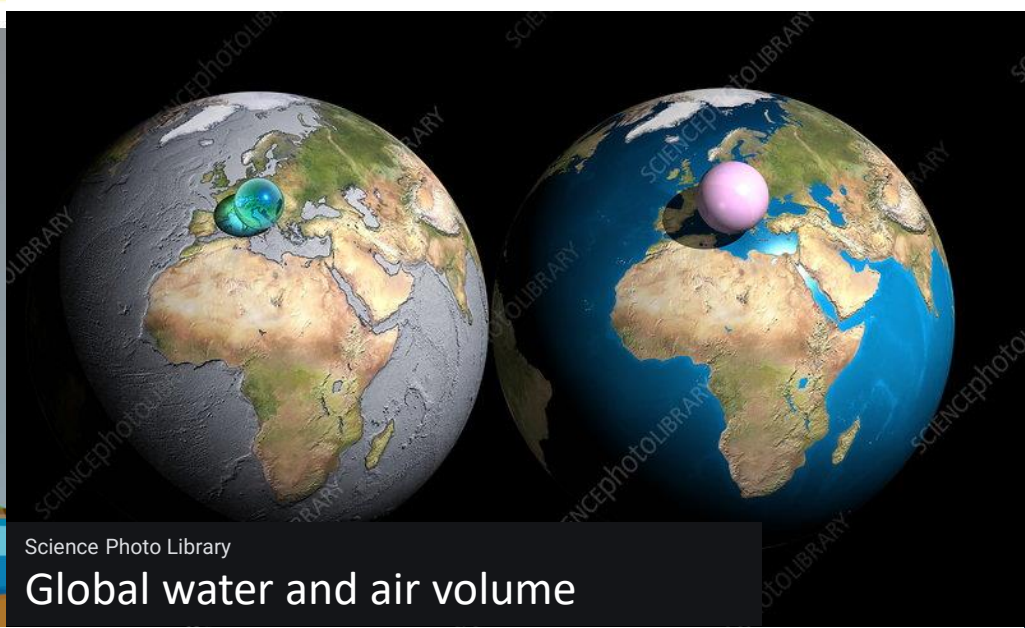
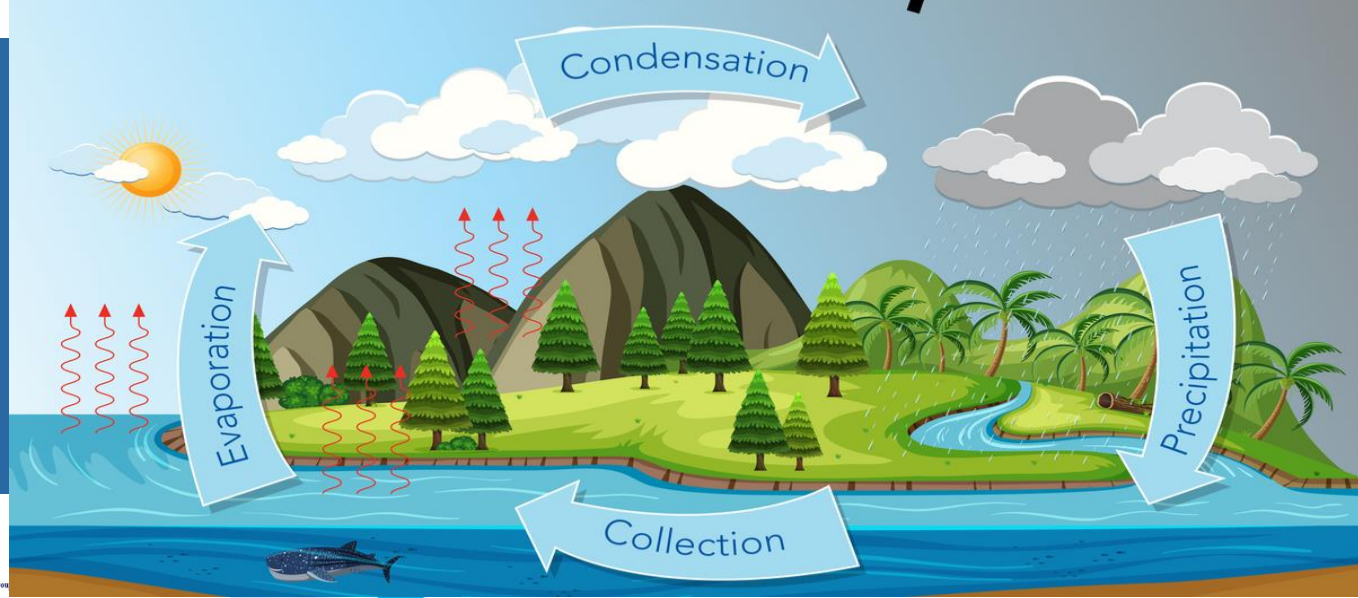
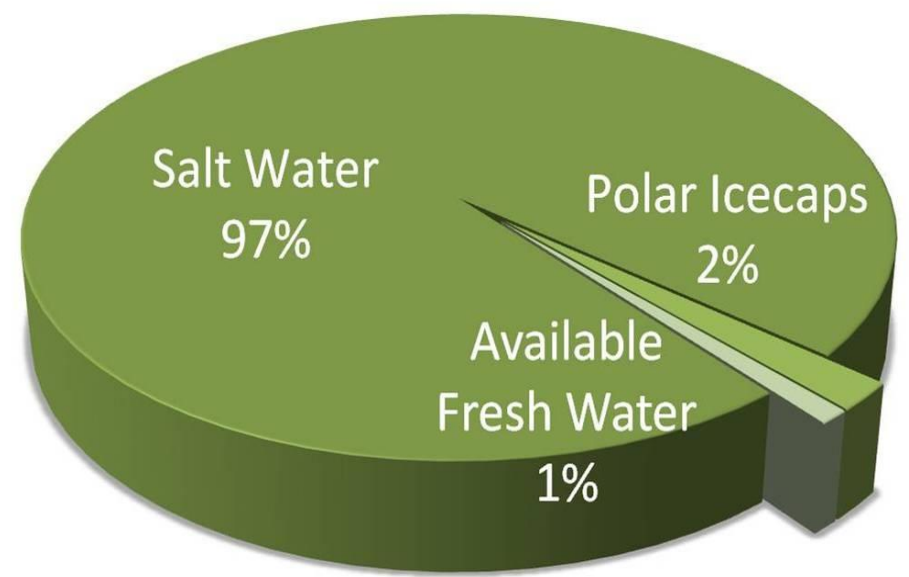
# Water on Earth





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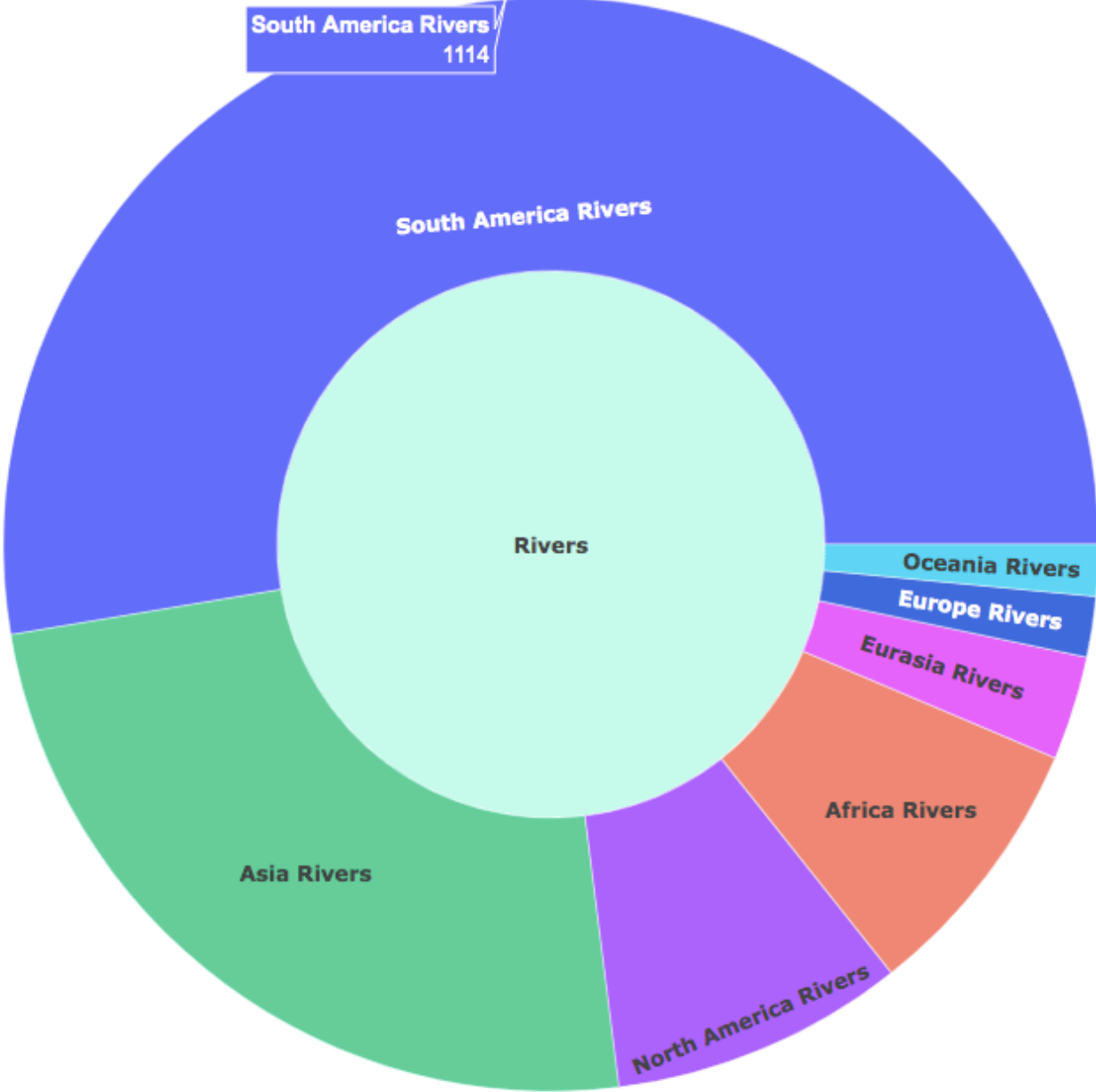
## Water on Earth





**South America Rivers:** 1,114 cubic km of water  
0.0000804% of all water on Earth.  
and 52.6% of all Rivers on Earth

☒ Group Rivers and Lakes







# ONE DROP WASTED IS A DROP TOO MUCH!




18 litres



15 litres



9 litres



3 litres



2 litres



2 litres



1 litre

💧 = 1 litre









# Importance of water loss reduction



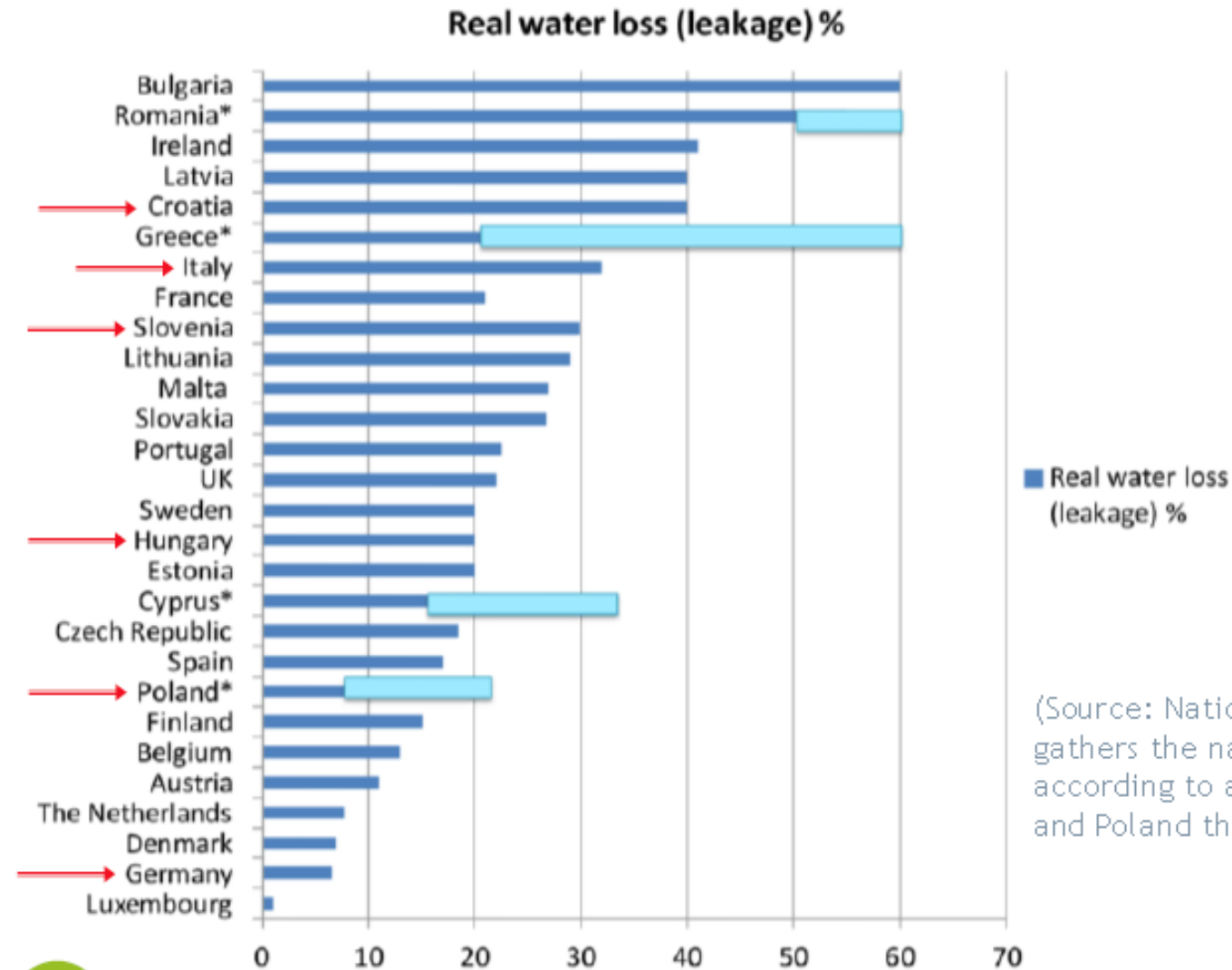
- Ecological aspects
- Hygienic aspects
- Economic aspects (water export, production costs)
- Security of supply:  
(for example, a 5 mm hole and 5 bar pressure can induce 32,000 litres of daily water losses. This corresponds to a daily drinking water demand for 266 persons at an average consumption of 120 l/P\*d)







# Water losses of water supply networks in the EU (%) (as averages of volume supplied)



(Source: National sources (Country Fiches). This figure gathers the national data available for different years, according to availability. \* For Romania, Greece, Cyprus and Poland the figure presents average ranges)

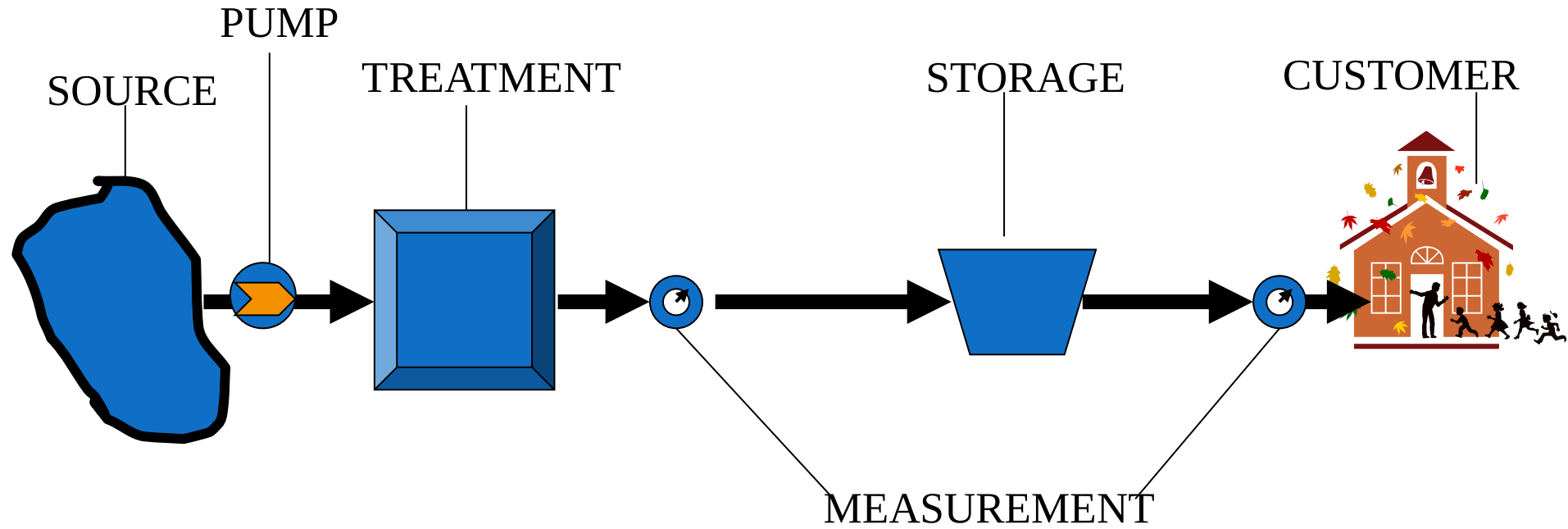


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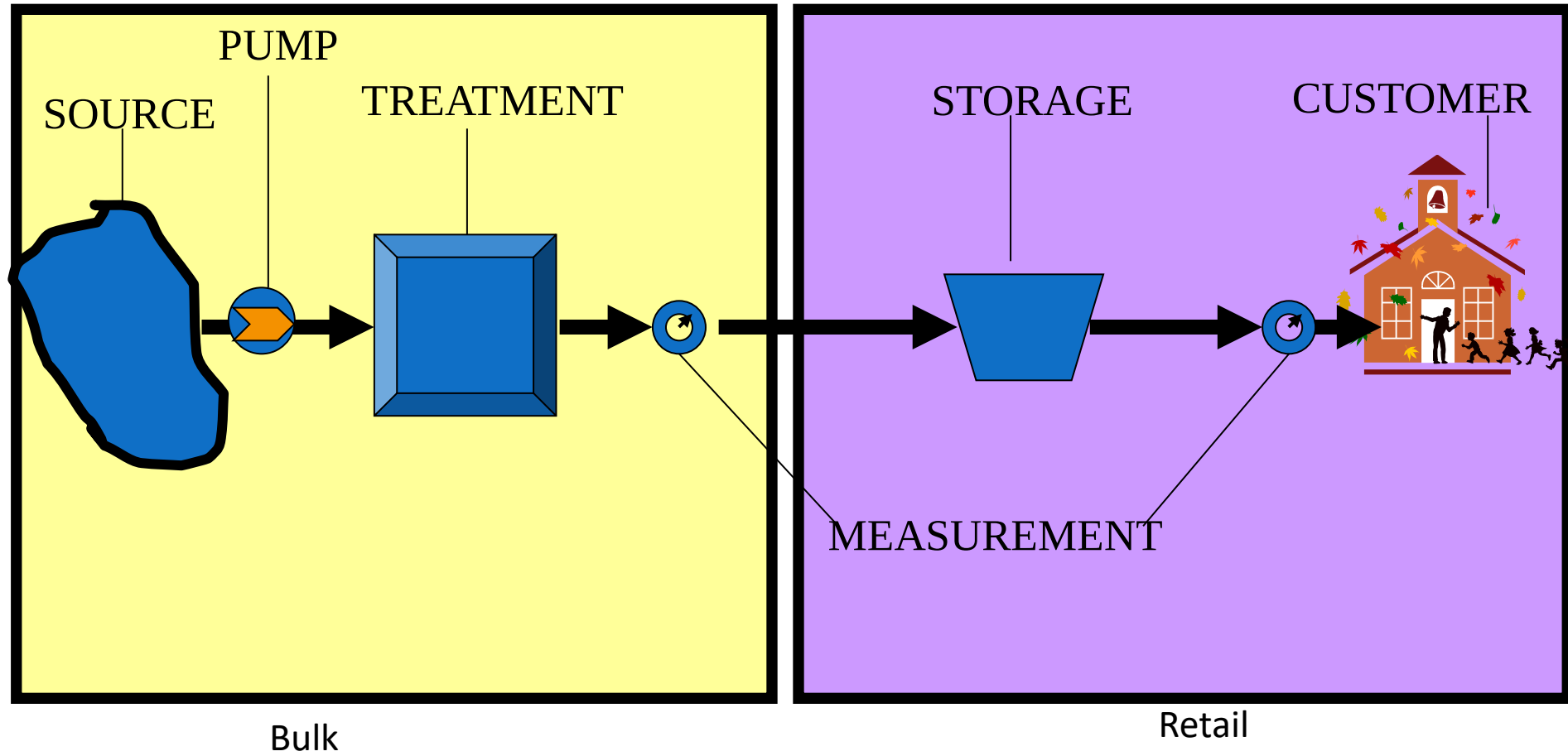
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# Water Utility Service Regime

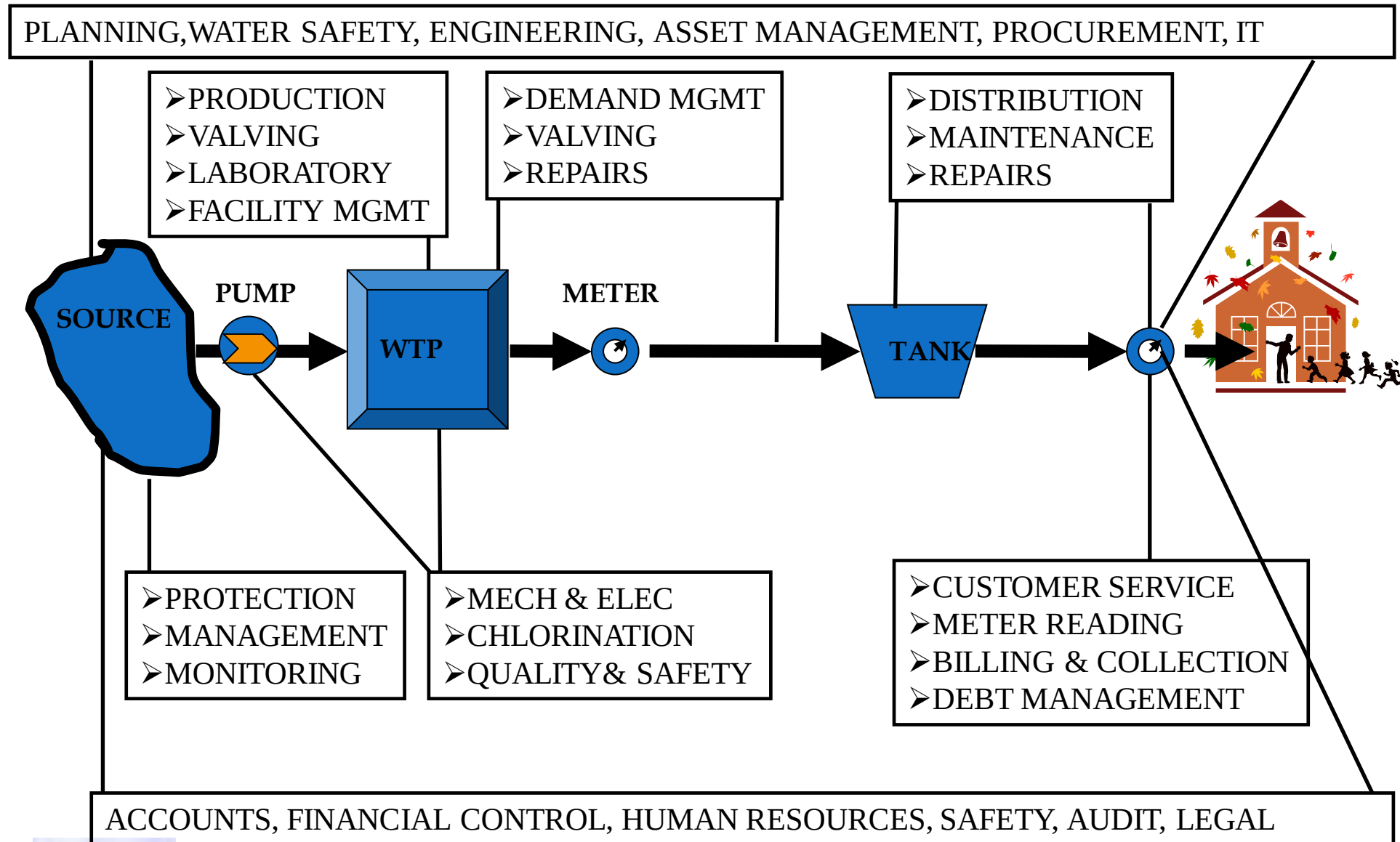


# Strategic Business Units





# Key Operational Functions



# Standard Terminologies

Source: IWA (2000)

|                                    |                                   |                                                |                                                                                |                                   |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>System<br/>Input<br/>Volume</b> | <b>Authorised<br/>Consumption</b> | <b>Billed<br/>Authorised<br/>Consumption</b>   | <b>Billed Metered<br/>Consumption (including<br/>water exported)</b>           | <b>Revenue<br/>Water</b>          |
|                                    |                                   |                                                | <b>Billed Unmetered<br/>consumption</b>                                        |                                   |
|                                    |                                   | <b>Unbilled<br/>Authorised<br/>Consumption</b> | <b>Unbilled Metered<br/>Consumption</b>                                        | <b>Non-<br/>Revenue<br/>Water</b> |
|                                    |                                   |                                                | <b>Unbilled Unmetered<br/>Consumption</b>                                      |                                   |
|                                    | <b>Water Losses</b>               | <b>Apparent<br/>Losses</b>                     | <b>Unauthorised<br/>Consumption</b>                                            |                                   |
|                                    |                                   |                                                | <b>Metering Inaccuracies</b>                                                   |                                   |
|                                    |                                   | <b>Real Losses</b>                             | <b>Leakage on Transmission<br/>and/or Distribution Mains</b>                   |                                   |
|                                    |                                   |                                                | <b>Leakage and Overflows at<br/>Utility's Storage Tank</b>                     |                                   |
|                                    |                                   |                                                | <b>Leakage on Service<br/>Connections up to point of<br/>Customer Metering</b> |                                   |

All quantities in m<sup>3</sup>/year



# What is Unaccounted-For-Water?

## Definition

Unaccounted-for water (UFW) represents the difference between "net production" (the volume of water delivered into a network) and "consumption" (the volume of water that can be accounted for by legitimate consumption, whether metered or not).

$$\text{UFW} = \text{"net production"} - \text{"legitimate consumption"}$$

# Non-Revenue Water

Non-revenue water (NRW) represents the difference between the volume of water delivered into a network and billed authorized consumption.

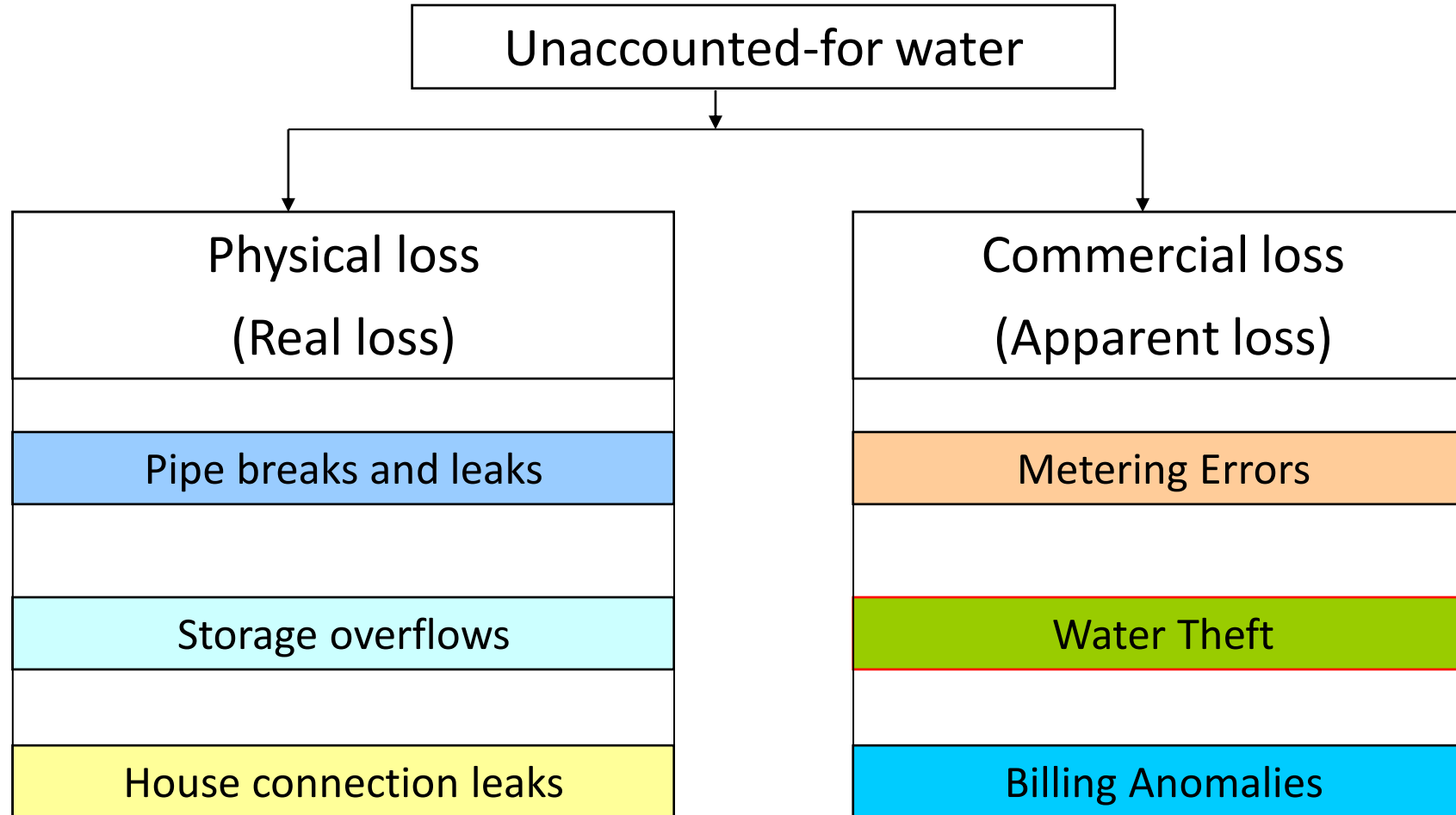
**NRW = “Net production” – “Revenue water”**

= UFW + water which is accounted for, but no revenue is collected (unbilled authorized consumption).

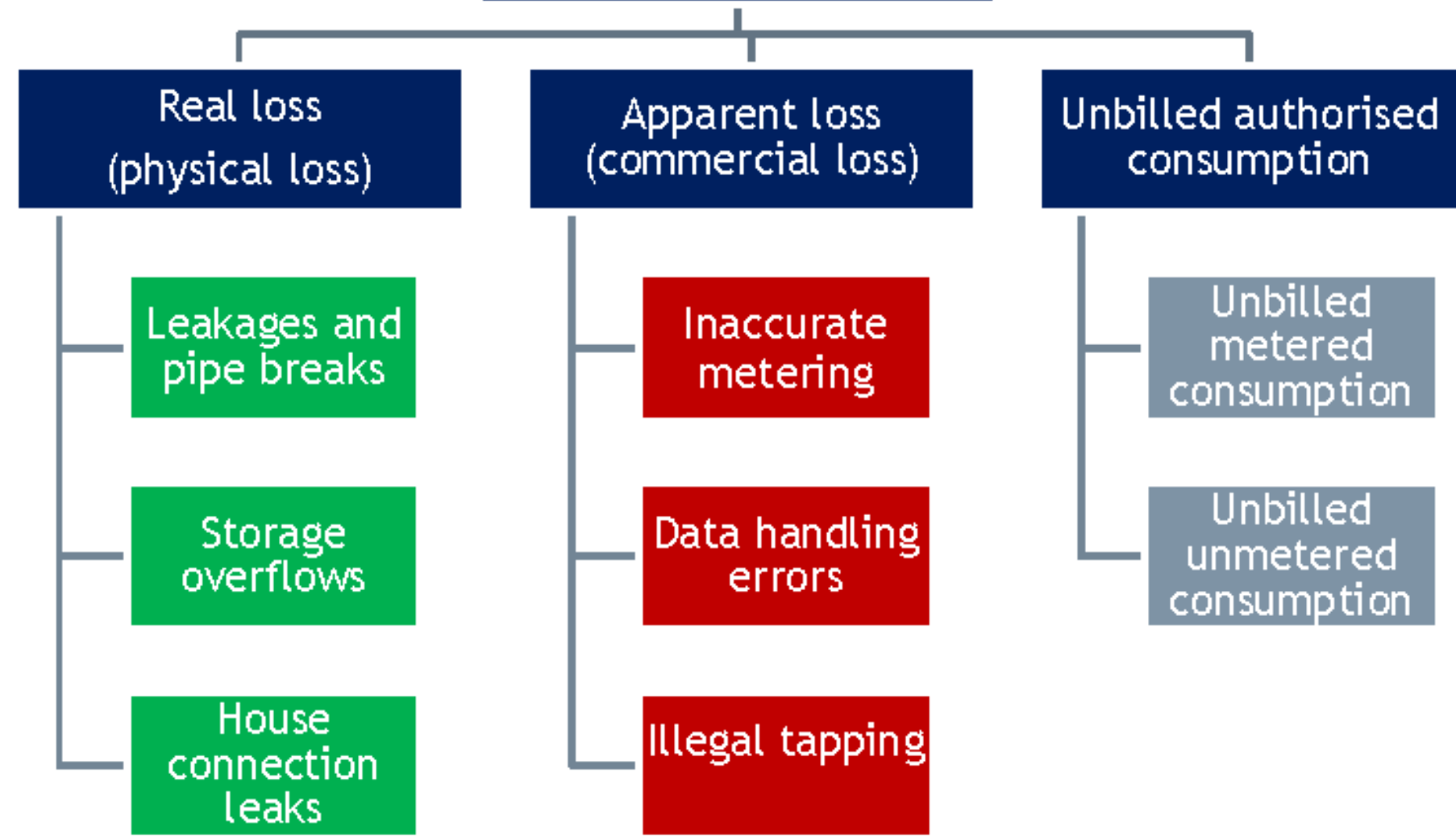




# Components of Unaccounted-For Water (UFW)

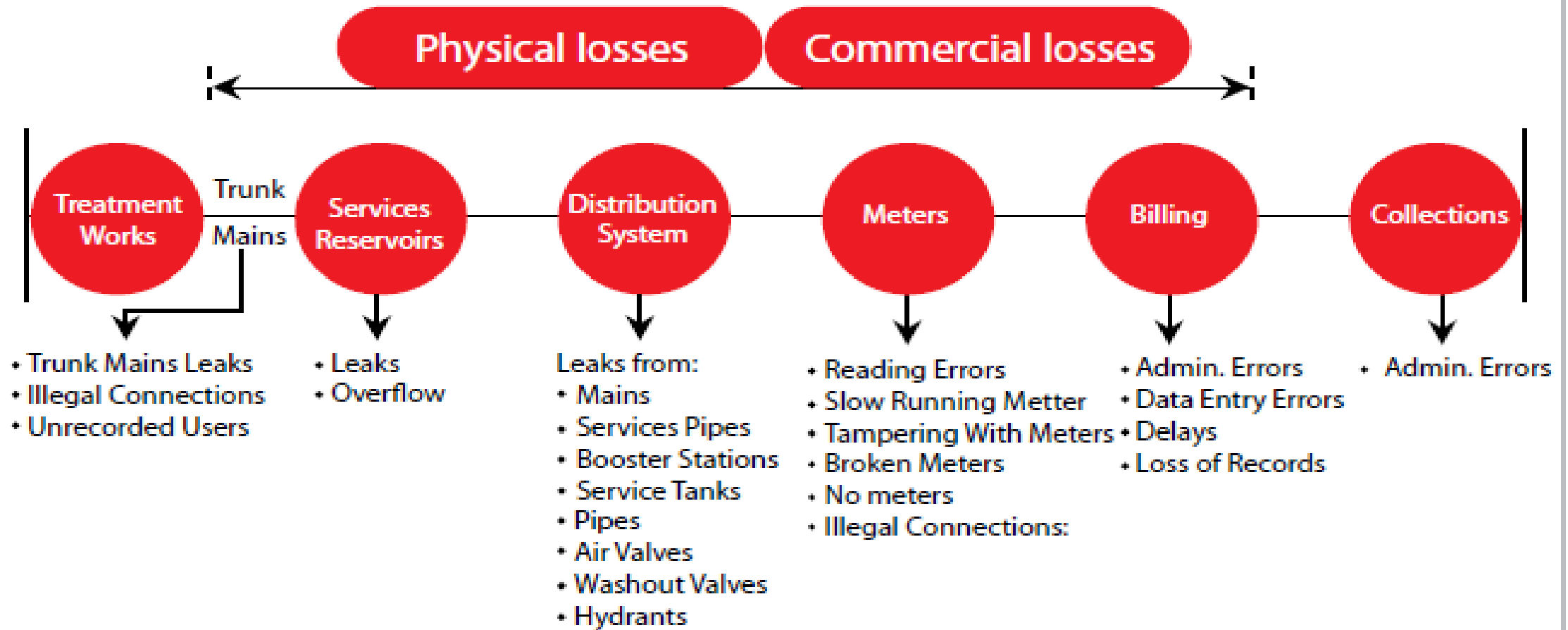


# Non-Revenue Water (NRW)





# Typical Losses From A Water Supply System



Source: Ranhill

# Internationally recognised best practice approach to calculate water balance according to IWA

|                           |                              |                                          |                                                                 |                         |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| System Input Volume $Q_i$ | Authorised Consumption $Q_A$ | Billed Authorised Consumption $Q_{BA}$   | Billed metered consumption (including water exported)           | Revenue Water           |
|                           |                              |                                          | Billed unmetered consumption                                    |                         |
|                           | Water Losses $Q_L$           | Unbilled Authorised Consumption $Q_{UA}$ | Unbilled metered consumption                                    | Non-Revenue Water (NRW) |
|                           |                              |                                          | Unbilled unmetered consumption                                  |                         |
|                           |                              | Apparent Losses $Q_{AL}$                 | Unauthorised consumption                                        |                         |
|                           |                              |                                          | Customer metering inaccuracies and data handling errors         |                         |
|                           |                              |                                          | Leakage on transmission and/or distribution mains               |                         |
|                           |                              |                                          | Leakage and overflows at utility's storage tanks                |                         |
|                           |                              |                                          | Leakage on service connections up to point of customer metering |                         |
|                           |                              | Real Losses $Q_{RL}$                     |                                                                 |                         |

(Source: Lambert, A. and W. Himer, 2000)



# IWA LEAKAGE MANAGEMENT

## Terminology

- Real Losses cannot be eliminated totally. The lowest technically achievable annual volume of Real Losses for well-maintained and well-managed systems is known as **Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL)**
- UARL is the most reliable predictor yet of „how low could a utility go“ with real losses for a specific system
- Each system has a different UARL base level, which varies widely depending on density of connections, length of connections (main to meters) and average pressure
- Using the four recommended strategies of leakage management, Real Losses can be controlled but cannot be reduced any further than the UARL (at the current operational pressure)
- The difference between the UARL (small rectangle) and the **Current Annual Real Losses (CARL)** is the **Potentially Recoverable Real Losses**

# PERFORMANCE INDICATOR FOR WATER LOSS

## Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

- The ratio of the Current Annual Real Losses (CARL) to the Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL) is the **Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)**:

$$ILI = \frac{CARL}{UARL}$$

- The International Water Association (IWA) uses ILI as a **performance indicator** for leakage which adjusts the measured loss, taking into account the service pressure and the length of the network
- ILI, is the current annual real losses expressed as a multiple of each system's specific UARL
- ILI measures how effectively the infrastructure activities such as repairs, active leakage control and pipeline/assets management are being managed at current operating pressure



# PERFORMANCE INDICATOR FOR WATER LOSS

## Physical loss assessment matrix

A simple matrix was published in 2005 which provides insight into typical ILI values for different situations. This approach can be used to classify the leakage levels for utilities in developed and developing countries into four categories:

- **Category A:** Further loss reduction may be uneconomic unless there are shortages; careful analysis needed to identify cost-effective improvement
- **Category B:** Potential for marked improvements; consider pressure management; better active leakage control practices and better network maintenance
- **Category C:** Poor leakage record; tolerable only if water is plentiful and cheap; even then, analyse level and nature of leakage and intensify leakage reduction efforts
- **Category D:** Highly inefficient; leakage reduction programs imperative and have high priority

# PERFORMANCE INDICATOR FOR WATER LOSS

## Physical loss assessment matrix

| Technical<br>Performance<br>Category |   | ILI    | Litres/connection/day<br>(when the system is pressurised) at an average pressure of: |         |         |         |          |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
|                                      |   |        | 10 m                                                                                 | 20 m    | 30 m    | 40 m    | 50 m     |
| Developed<br>Countries               | A | 1 - 2  |                                                                                      | < 50    | < 75    | < 100   | < 125    |
|                                      | B | 2 - 4  |                                                                                      | 50-100  | 75-150  | 100-200 | 125-250  |
|                                      | C | 4 - 8  |                                                                                      | 100-200 | 150-300 | 200-400 | 250-500  |
|                                      | D | > 8    |                                                                                      | > 200   | > 300   | > 400   | > 500    |
| Developing<br>Countries              | A | 1 - 4  | < 50                                                                                 | < 100   | < 150   | < 200   | < 250    |
|                                      | B | 4 - 8  | 50-100                                                                               | 100-200 | 150-300 | 200-400 | 250-500  |
|                                      | C | 8 - 16 | 100-200                                                                              | 200-400 | 300-600 | 400-800 | 500-1000 |
|                                      | D | > 16   | > 200                                                                                | > 400   | > 600   | > 800   | > 1000   |

(Source: R. Liemberger and R. McKenzie, 2005)

Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

# Calculating Water Loss

Water loss is expressed as

- a percentage of net water production (delivered to the distribution system)
- as  $\text{m}^3/\text{day}/\text{km}$  of water distribution pipe system network (specific water loss)
- Others
  - $\text{m}^3/\text{day}/\text{connection}$
  - $\text{m}^3/\text{day}/\text{connection}/\text{m}$  pressure
  - Water loss as % of net water production is the most common.
  - It could be misleading for systems with different net productions with same amount of real & apparent losses.



# Magnitude of Water Losses

- Water loss levels (UFW or NRW) vary widely per country and within one country per city.
- UFW values ranging from 6% to 63% have been reported (Source: Water and Wastewater Utility Data – 2<sup>nd</sup> edition 1996)
- A certain level of water losses can not be avoided from a technical point of view and /or is considered acceptable from an economic point of view.

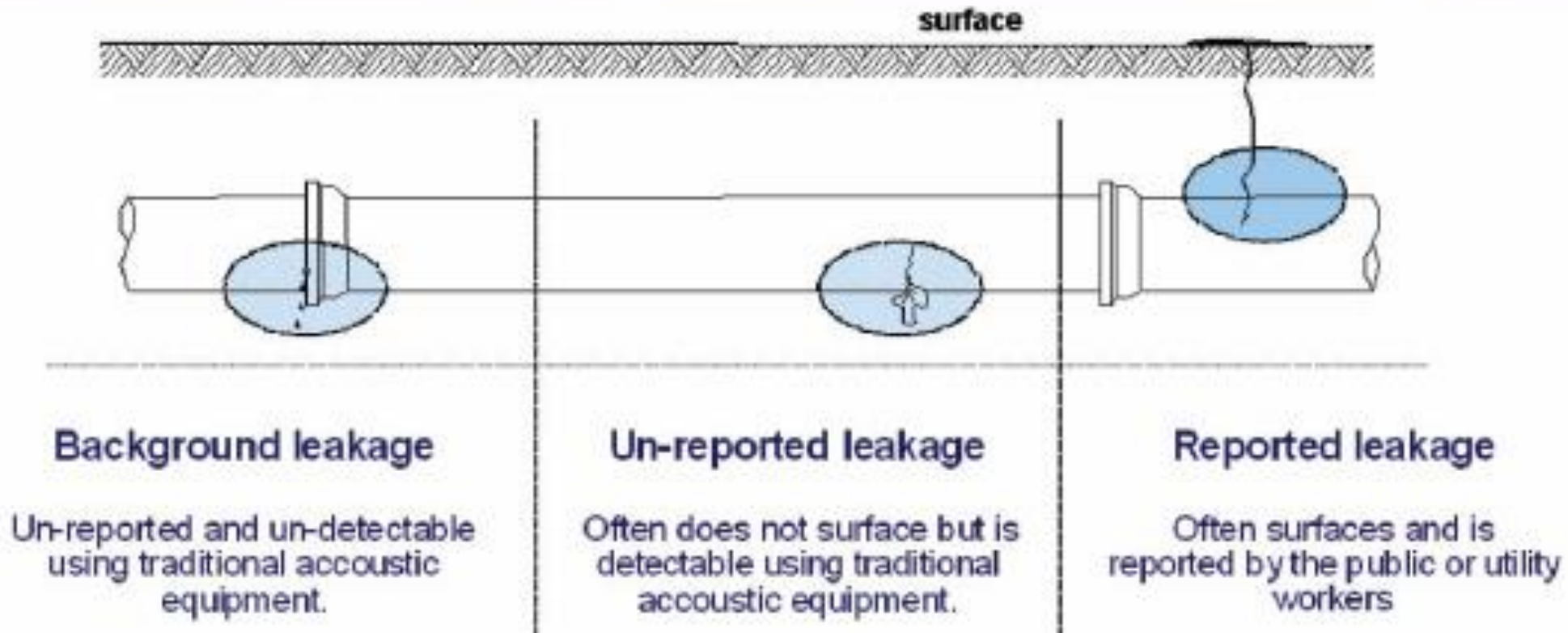
# What is an Acceptable Water Loss?

1. It is a compromise between the cost of reducing water loss and maintenance of distribution system and the cost (of water) saved.
2. AWWA Leak detection and Accountability Committee (1996) recommended 10% as a benchmark for UFW.
3. UFW levels and action needed

|        |                                     |
|--------|-------------------------------------|
| < 10%  | Acceptable, monitoring and control  |
| 10-25% | Intermediate, could be reduced      |
| > 25%  | Matter of concern, reduction needed |

# Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL)

- The UARL is computed based on Background and Burst Estimates (BABE) concept.





# UARL – Background (1)

- Based on a statistical analysis of international data, including 27 diverse water supply systems in 19 countries, a method of predicting UARL has been developed and tested for application to systems with:
  - average operating pressure of between 20 and 100 metres;
  - density of service connections between 10 and 120 per km of mains;
  - customer meters located 0 and 30 metres from the edge of the street.

# Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL)

$$\text{UARL (L/day)} = (18 \times L_m + 0.80 \times N_c + 25 \times L_p) \times P$$

where

$L_m$  = Length of mains in km

$N_c$  = Number of service connections

$L_p$  = Total length in km of underground connection pipes  
(between the edge of the street and customer  
meters)

$P$  = Average operating pressure in m

# UARL in litres/service connection/day for customer meters located at edge of street

| Density of of<br>Connections Nc/Lm<br>(per km mains) | Average Operating Pressure (P) in Metres |    |     |     |     |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|
|                                                      | 20                                       | 40 | 60  | 80  | 100 |
| 20                                                   | 34                                       | 68 | 112 | 146 | 170 |
| 40                                                   | 25                                       | 50 | 75  | 100 | 125 |
| 60                                                   | 22                                       | 44 | 66  | 88  | 110 |
| 80                                                   | 21                                       | 41 | 62  | 82  | 103 |
| 100                                                  | 20                                       | 39 | 59  | 78  | 98  |



# Unavoidable Annual Real Losses (UARL)

Generalised Equation

$$\text{UARL (L/day)} = (A \times L_m + B \times N_c + C \times L_p) \times P$$

where

A = specific real losses for mains (L/day/km/m pressure)

B = specific real losses for service connections  
(L/connection/m pressure)

C = specific real losses for underground service pipes  
(L/day/km/m pressure)

# The Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

- **A better indicator**
- **Describes the quality of infrastructure management**
- **Is the ratio of *Current Annual Real Losses* to *Unavoidable Annual Real Losses***

$$ILI = \frac{CARL}{UARL}$$

# World Bank Institute Banding System to Interpret ILIs

- ILI is classified into Bands A to D
- Different limits for developed & developing countries
- Each Band has a general description of performance
- Each Band suggests a range of recommended activities



# WBI Banding System to Interpret ILIs

| Developing countries | Developed countries | BAND | General description of real loss performance management categories                                                                                      |
|----------------------|---------------------|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ILI Range            | IU Range            |      |                                                                                                                                                         |
| < 4                  | < 2                 | A    | Further loss reduction may be uneconomic unless there are shortages; careful analysis is needed to identify cost effective improvement                  |
| 4 to <8              | 2 to <4             | B    | Potential for marked improvements; consider pressure management, better active leakage control practices, and better network maintenance                |
| 8 to <16             | 4 to <8             | C    | Poor leakage record; tolerable only if water is plenty and cheap; even then analyze level and nature of leakage and intensify leakage reduction efforts |
| 16 or more           | 8 or more           | D    | Very inefficient use of resources; leakage reduction programs imperative & high priority                                                                |

# WBI Recommended Activities

| WBI Recommendations for BANDS                                   | A          | B          | C   | D   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----|-----|
| Investigate pressure management options                         | Yes        | Yes        | Yes |     |
| Investigate speed and quality of repairs                        | Yes        | Yes        | Yes |     |
| Check economic intervention frequency                           | Yes        | Yes        |     |     |
| Introduce/improve active leakage control                        |            | Yes        | Yes |     |
| Identify options for improved maintenance                       |            | Yes        | Yes |     |
| <b>Assess Economic Leakage Level</b>                            | <b>Yes</b> | <b>Yes</b> |     |     |
| Review burst frequencies                                        |            | Yes        | Yes |     |
| Review asset management policy                                  |            | Yes        | Yes | Yes |
| Deal with deficiencies in manpower, training and communications |            |            | Yes | Yes |
| 5-year plan to achieve next lowest band                         |            |            | Yes | Yes |
| Fundamental peer review of all activities                       |            |            |     | Yes |

## Comparison of real loss performance indicators

Source: Liemberger and McKenzie (2005)

| Indicator              | Vietnam | Indonesia | Sri Lanka |
|------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| L/conn./day            | 866     | 430       | 519       |
| L/conn./day/m pressure | 72      | 38        | 48        |
| ILI                    | 79      | 31        | 39        |
| NRW (%)                | 42%     | 40%       | 46%       |

**The % losses do not reflect the huge difference in leakage performance of three systems.**



# Suggested apparent loss percentages for a typical water distribution system in South Africa

| Illegal connections |      | Meter age and accuracy |                    |                    | Data transfer |     |
|---------------------|------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----|
|                     |      |                        | Good water quality | Poor water quality |               |     |
| Very high           | 10 % | Poor > 10 years        | 8 %                | 10 %               | Poor          | 8 % |
| High                | 8 %  | Average 5- 10 years    | 4 %                | 8 %                | Average       | 5 % |
| Average             | 6 %  |                        |                    |                    |               |     |
| Low                 | 4 %  | Good < 5 years         | 2 %                | 4 %                | Good          | 2 % |
| Very low            | 2 %  |                        |                    |                    |               |     |

Source: Seago *et al.* (2004)

Thumb rule = apparent losses is 20% of total water losses



# The Apparent Loss Index (ALI)

- **Similar to the concept of ILI, a index for apparent loss has been recommended by IWA task force.**

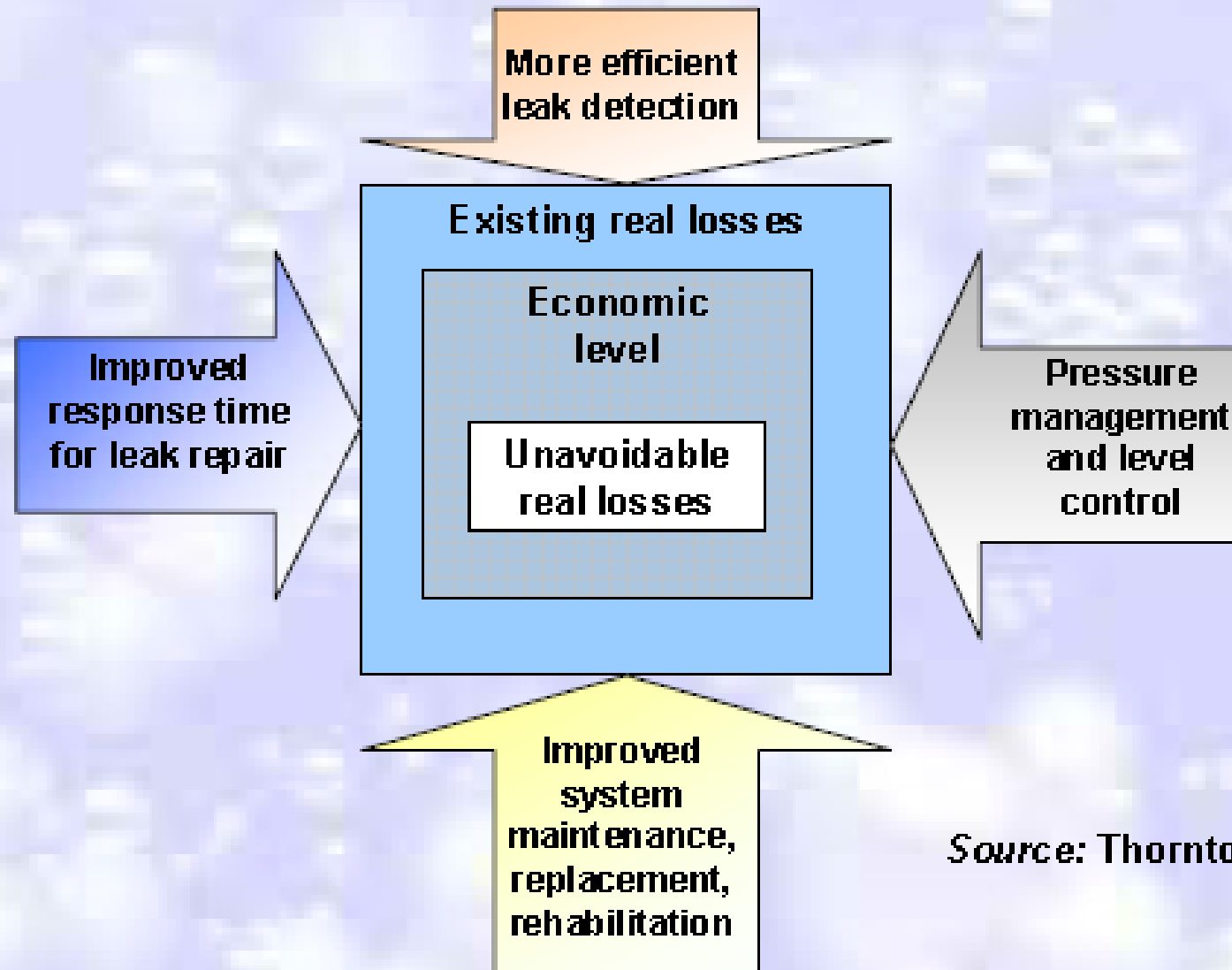
$$\text{Apparent Loss Index (ALI)} = \frac{\text{Apparent Loss}}{5\% \text{ of Water Sales}}$$

# Controlling Water Loss

- Water audit or Water balance
- Meter testing and repair/replacement, improving billing procedure
- Leak detection and control program
  - network evaluation
  - leak detection in the field and repair
- Rehabilitation and replacement program
- Corrosion control
- Pressure reduction
- Public education program; Legal provisions
- Water pricing policies encouraging conservation
- Human resources development
- Information system development

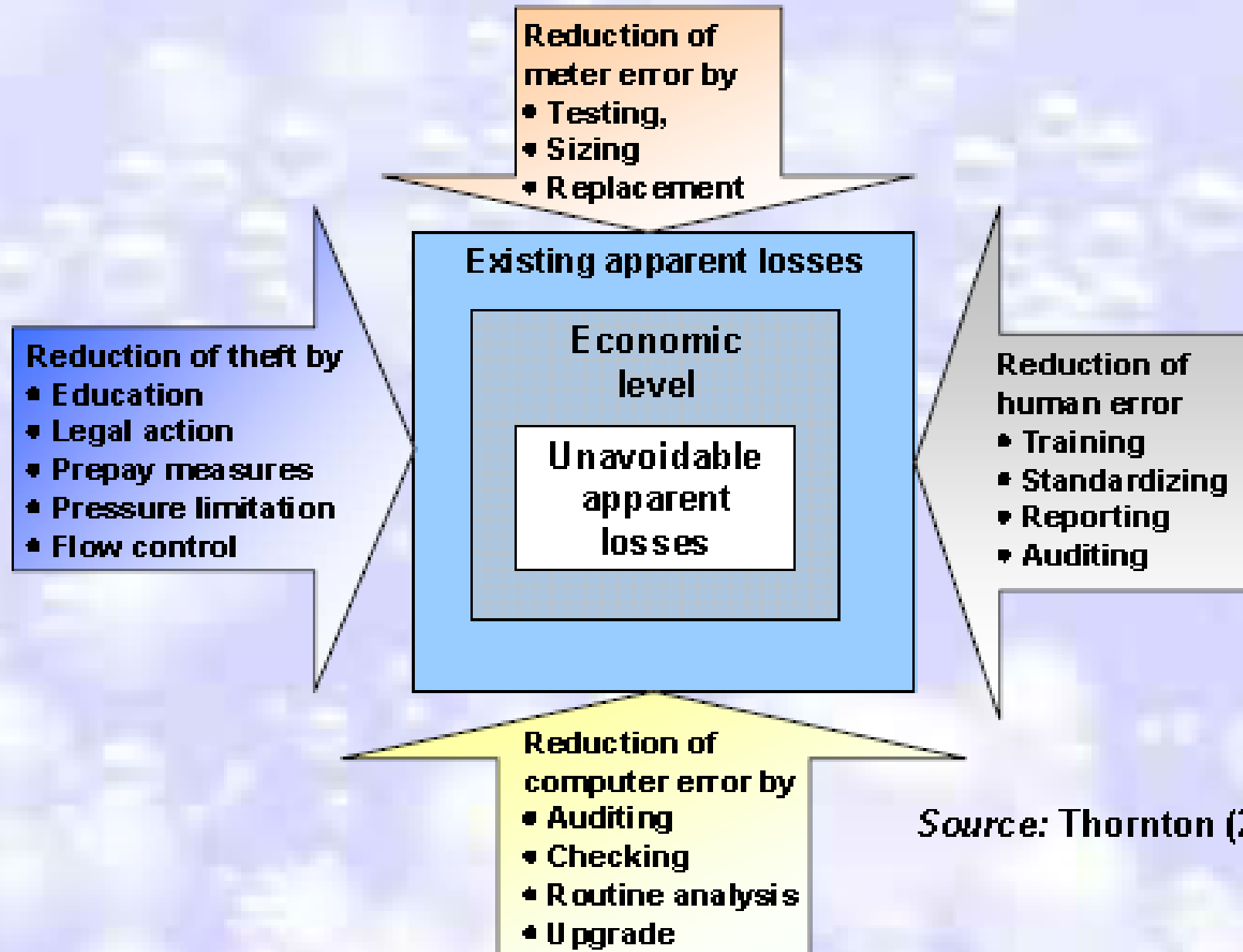


# Four components of an active real loss management program



Source: Thornton (2002)

# Four components of an active apparent loss management program



Source: Thornton (2002)

# IWA recommended performance indicators

| Function                               | Level    | Performance Indicator                                        | Remarks                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Financial:<br>NRW by volume            | Basic    | Volume of NRW as % of system input volume                    | Can be calculated from simple water balance                              |
| Financial:<br>NRW by cost              | Detailed | Value of NRW as % of annual cost of running system           | Allows different unit costs for NRW components                           |
| Inefficiency of use of water resources | Basic    | Real loss as % of system input volume                        | Unsuitable for assessing efficiency of management of distribution system |
| Operational:<br>Real losses            | Basic    | m <sup>3</sup> /service line/day, when system is pressurized | Best "traditional" basic performance indicator                           |
| Operational:<br>Real losses            | Detailed | Infrastructure Leakage Index                                 | Ratio of CARL to UARL                                                    |

**Source: Adapted from Thornton (2002)**



## Guideline for Water Loss Level

- For systems with per capita consumption of less than 150 l/day the general rule for water loss level is:

Good condition of system      < 250 Litre/connection /day

Average condition              250 - 450 Litre/connection/day

Bad condition of system        > 450 Litre/connection/day

- Another guideline for the water loss level is the “Benchmark” Litre/km mains/day:

Good condition of system      < 10,000 Litre/km main/day

Average condition              10,000 – 18,000 Litre/km main/day

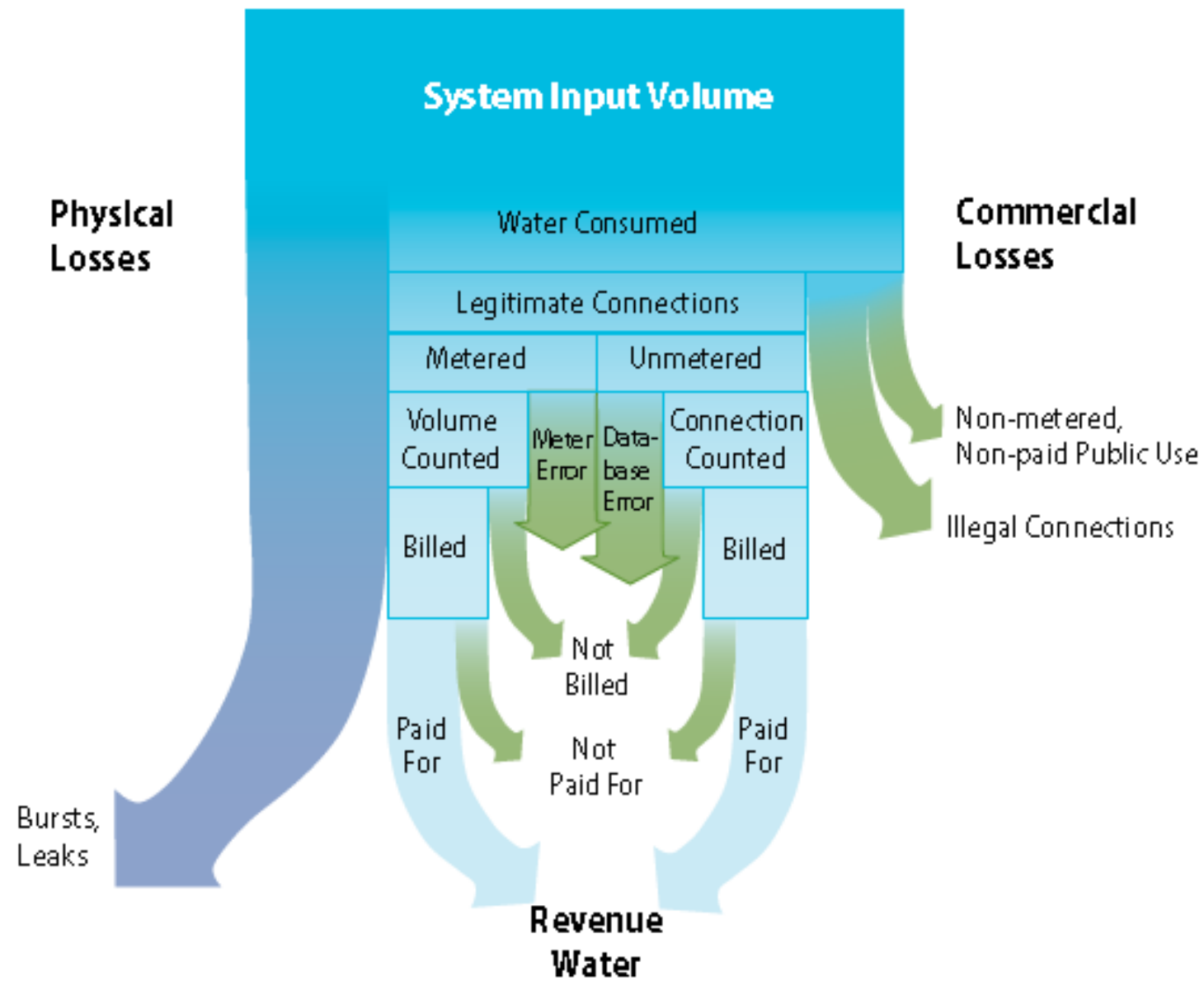
Bad condition of system        > 18,000 Litre/km main/day

Source: Gerhard Zimmer (Experiences from Kfw funded programs)

# Leak detection methods and their suitability for types of mains

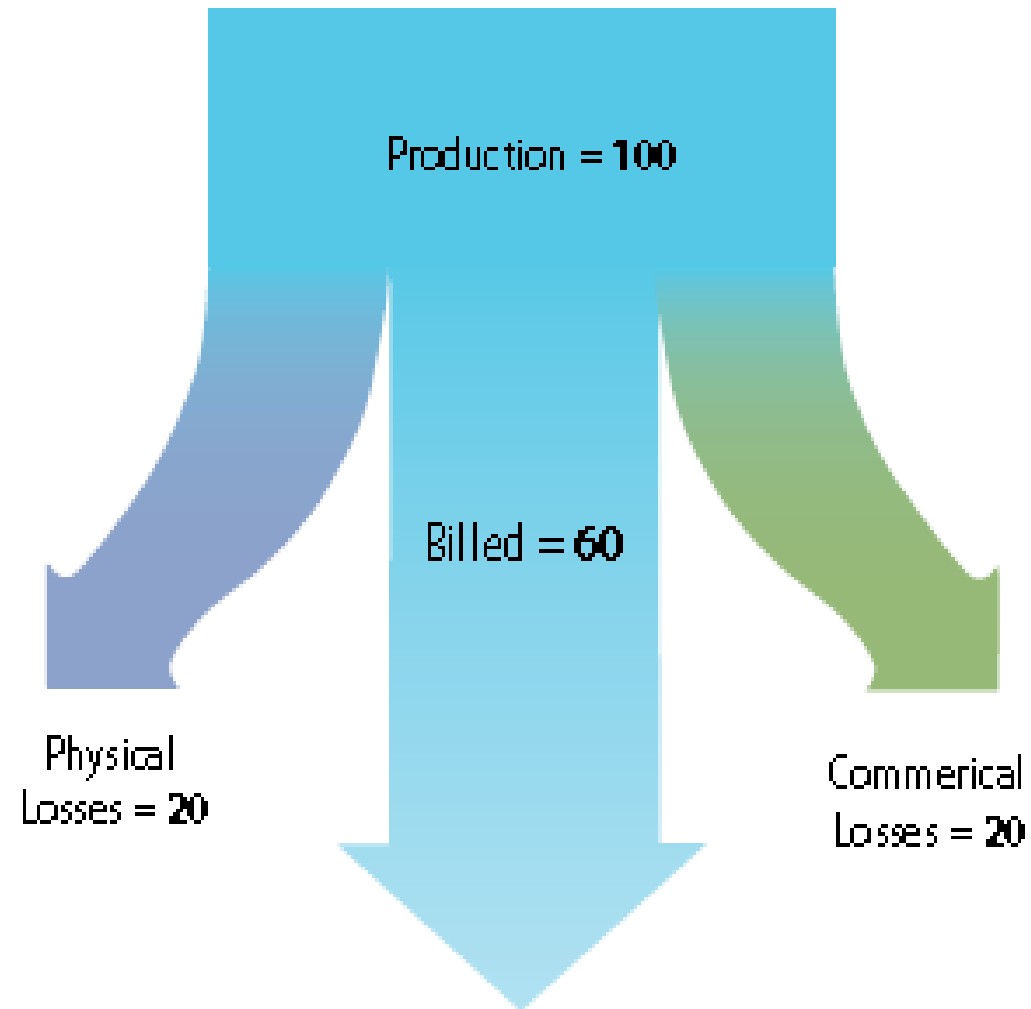
| Leak detection methods  |                             | Suitability for |                    |             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                         |                             | Service pipes   | Distribution mains | Trunk mains |
| Acoustic techniques     | Basic Listening stick       | Yes             | Yes                |             |
|                         | Electronic listening stick  | Yes             | Yes                |             |
|                         | Leak noise correlator       |                 | Yes                | Yes         |
|                         | Noise loggers               |                 | Yes                |             |
|                         | Multi acoustic sensor strip | Yes             | Yes                |             |
|                         | In pipe sounding            |                 |                    | Yes         |
| Non-acoustic techniques | Gas injection               | Yes             | Yes                |             |
|                         | Ground penetrating radar    | Yes             | Yes                | Yes         |
|                         | Infrared photography        |                 |                    | Yes         |
|                         | In pipe hydraulic plug      | Yes             |                    |             |

(Source: EU Reference document good practices leakage management WFD CIS WG PoM)



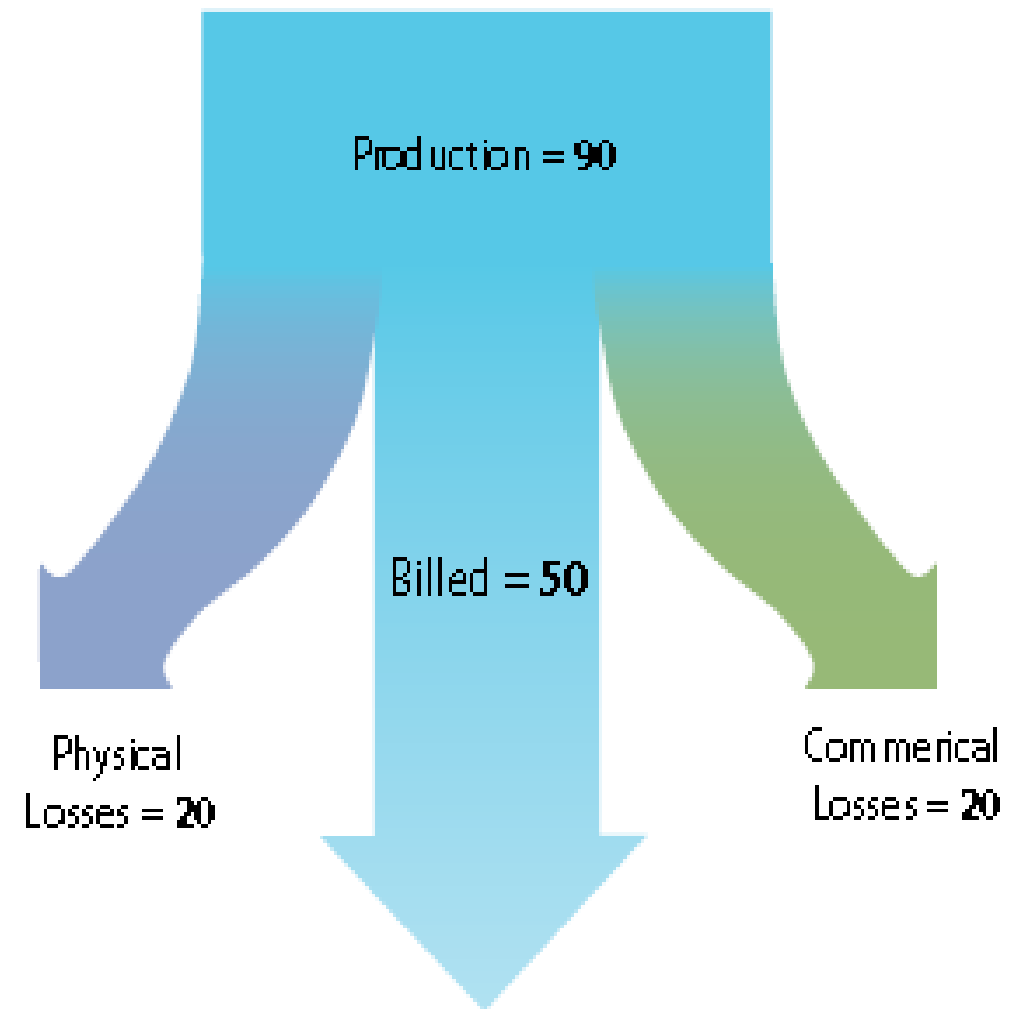


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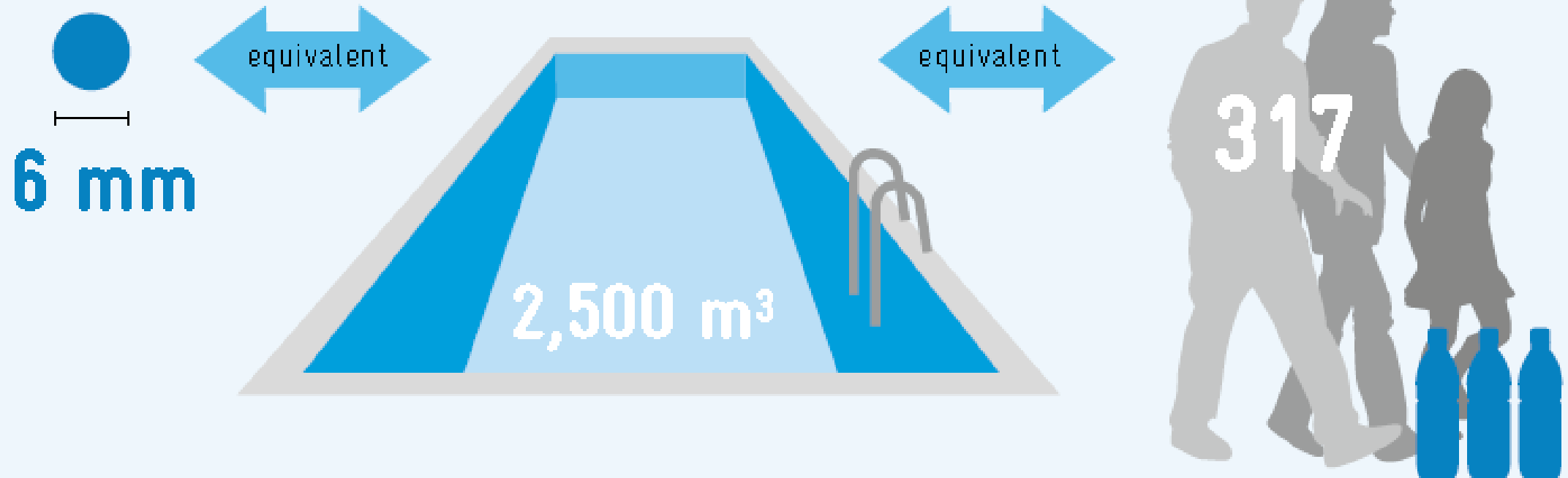


$$\% \text{ NRW} = 40/100 = 40\%$$

## After Tariff Increase



$$\% \text{ NRW} = 40/90 = 44\%$$



Hole  $\varnothing$  = 6 mm  
 Pressure = 50 m  
 » Leakage = 43.2 m<sup>3</sup>/d

Olympic size swimming pool  
 $V = 2,500 \text{ m}^3$   
 » Filled in less than 2 months

Per capita consumptions = 136 l/cap/d  
 $Q = 317 \times 136 \text{ l/cap/d} = 43.2 \text{ m}^3/\text{d}$   
 » Water for 317 persons

calculating the change in leakage flow for a small pressure increase. These results are shown in Figures 3 for the leakage exponent. The results show that the leakage exponent of a given leak is not fixed, but is higher at higher pressures and at lower pressures.

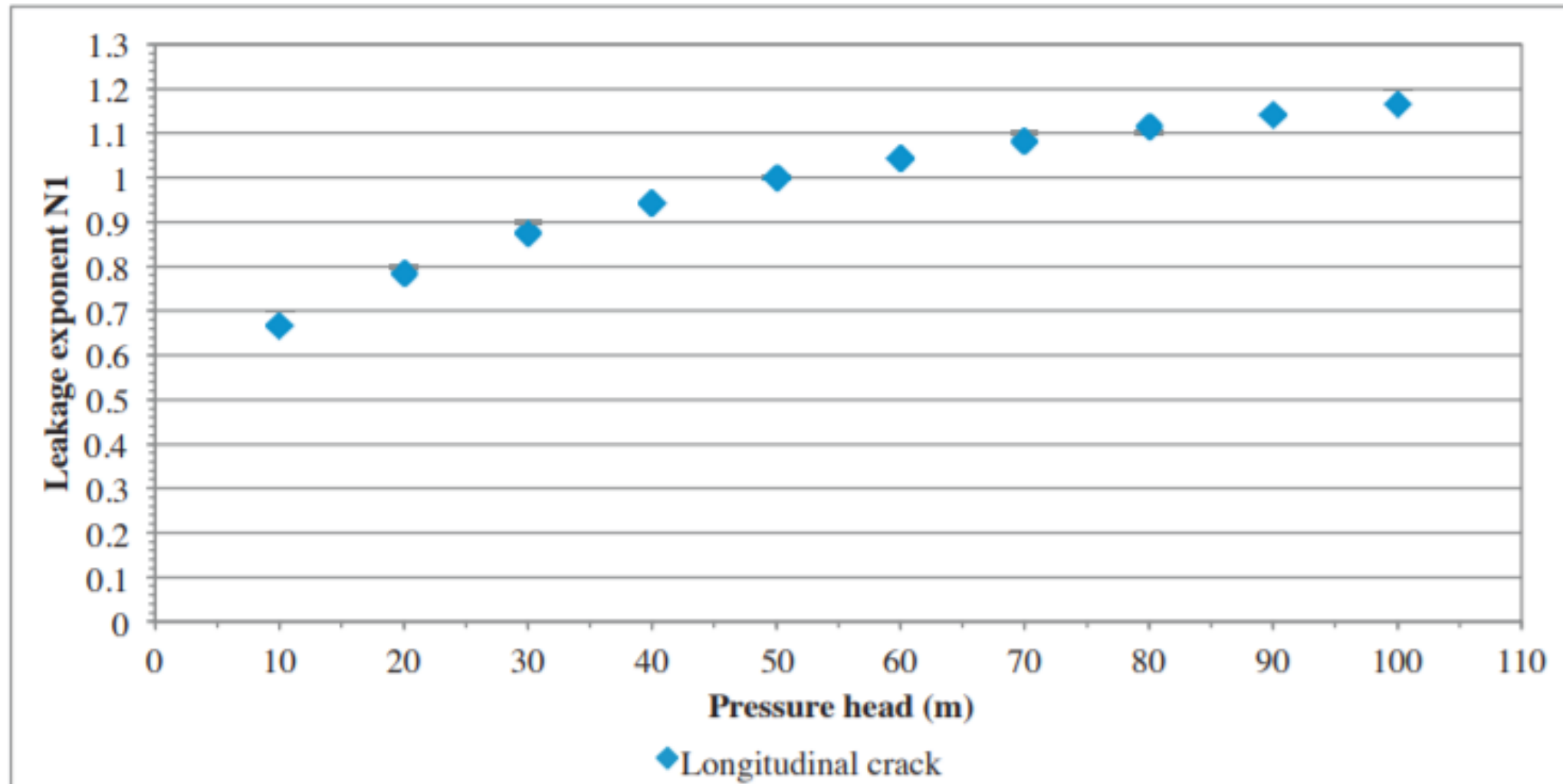


Figure 3. Leakage exponents obtained at different pressures for the h-Q curve in Figure 2



**Table 2.1** Leak flow rate from a 6 mm hole for different pressures and pipe materials

| Ø Hole | Pipe material                      | Leakage exponent | Leak flow rates at pressure of |                         |                         |
|--------|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|        |                                    |                  | 50 m                           | 40 m                    | 30 m                    |
| 6 mm   | Rigid (e.g. steel, cast iron, ...) | 0.5              | 1,800 m <sup>3</sup> /h        | 1,610 m <sup>3</sup> /h | 1,394 m <sup>3</sup> /h |
| 6 mm   | Flexible (e.g. PE, PVC, ...)       | 1.5              | 1,800 m <sup>3</sup> /h        | 1,288 m <sup>3</sup> /h | 837 m <sup>3</sup> /h   |

| Pressure management: reduction of excess average and maximum pressures |                                        |                                            |                                           |                                        |                           |                                                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Conservation benefits                                                  |                                        | Water utility benefits                     |                                           |                                        | Customer benefits         |                                                    |
| Reduced flow rates                                                     |                                        | Reduced frequency of bursts and leaks      |                                           |                                        |                           |                                                    |
| Reduced consumption                                                    | Reduced flow rates of leaks and bursts | Reduced repair costs at mains and services | Deferred renewals and extended asset life | Reduced cost of active leakage control | Fewer customer complaints | Fewer problems on customer plumbing and appliances |

**Figure 3.2**

Relationship between leakage rate ( $Q$ ) and runtime ( $t$ ) of leaks [22] [77]

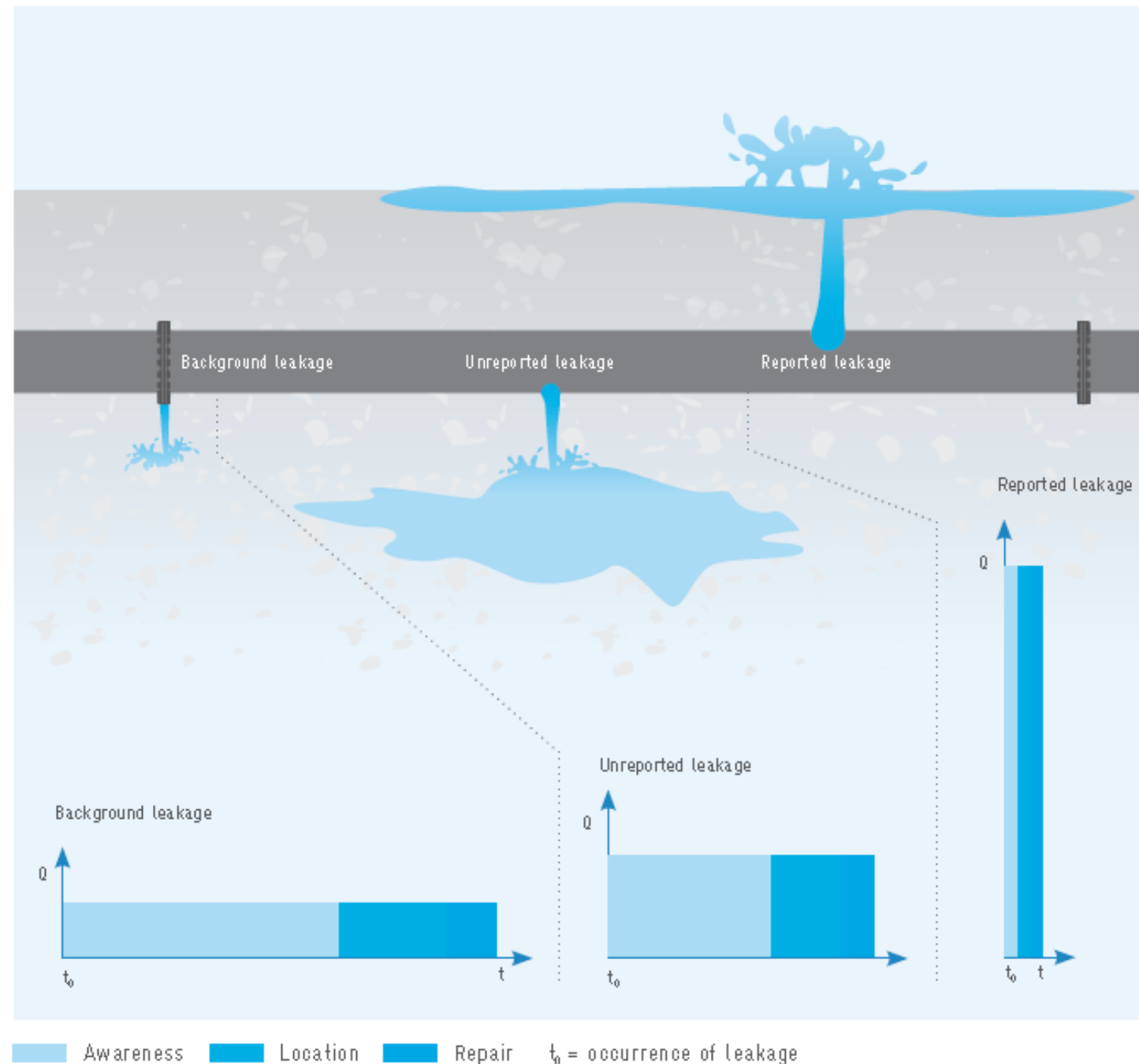


Figure 5.1

Interactions between various GIS-based information systems

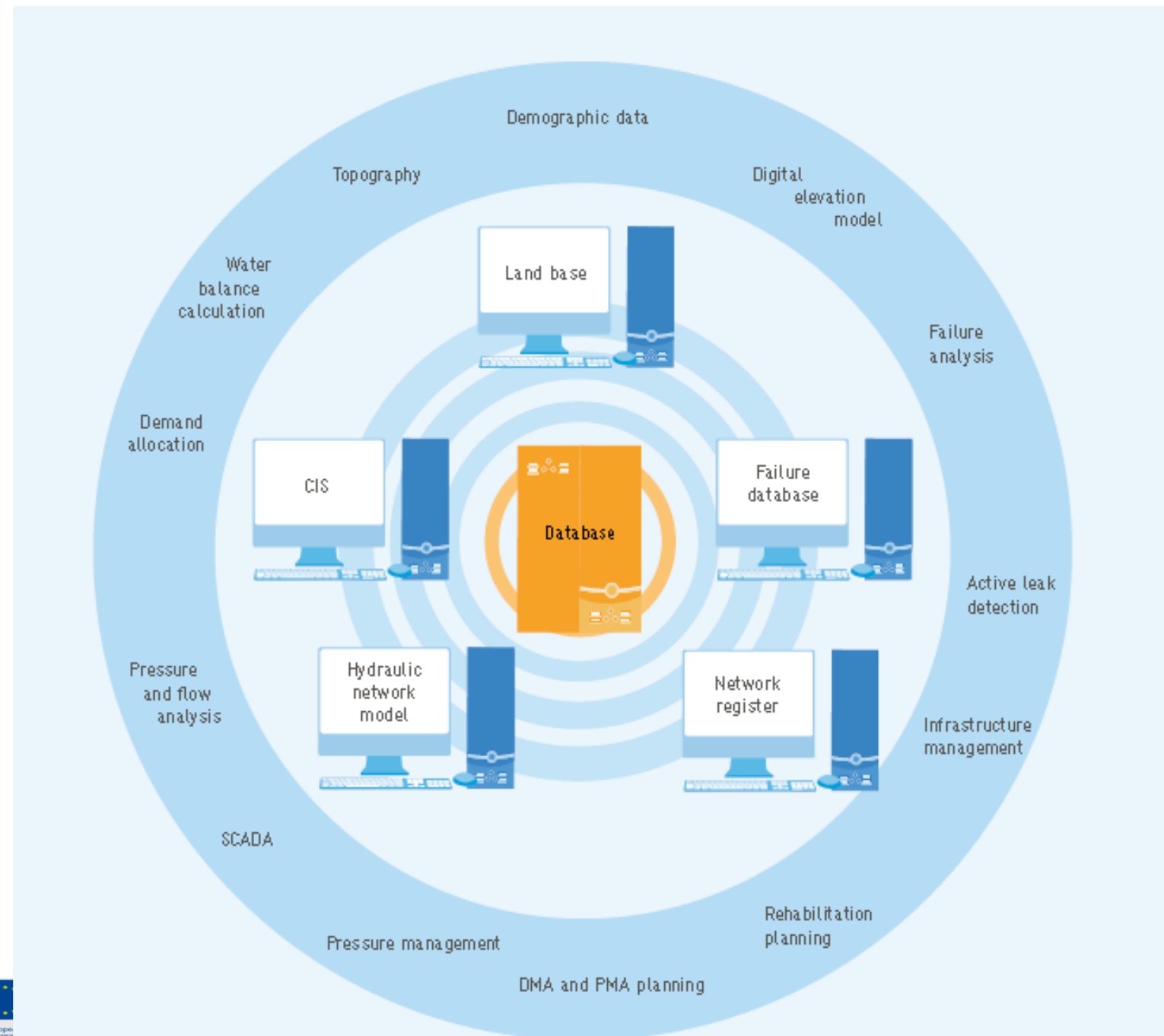
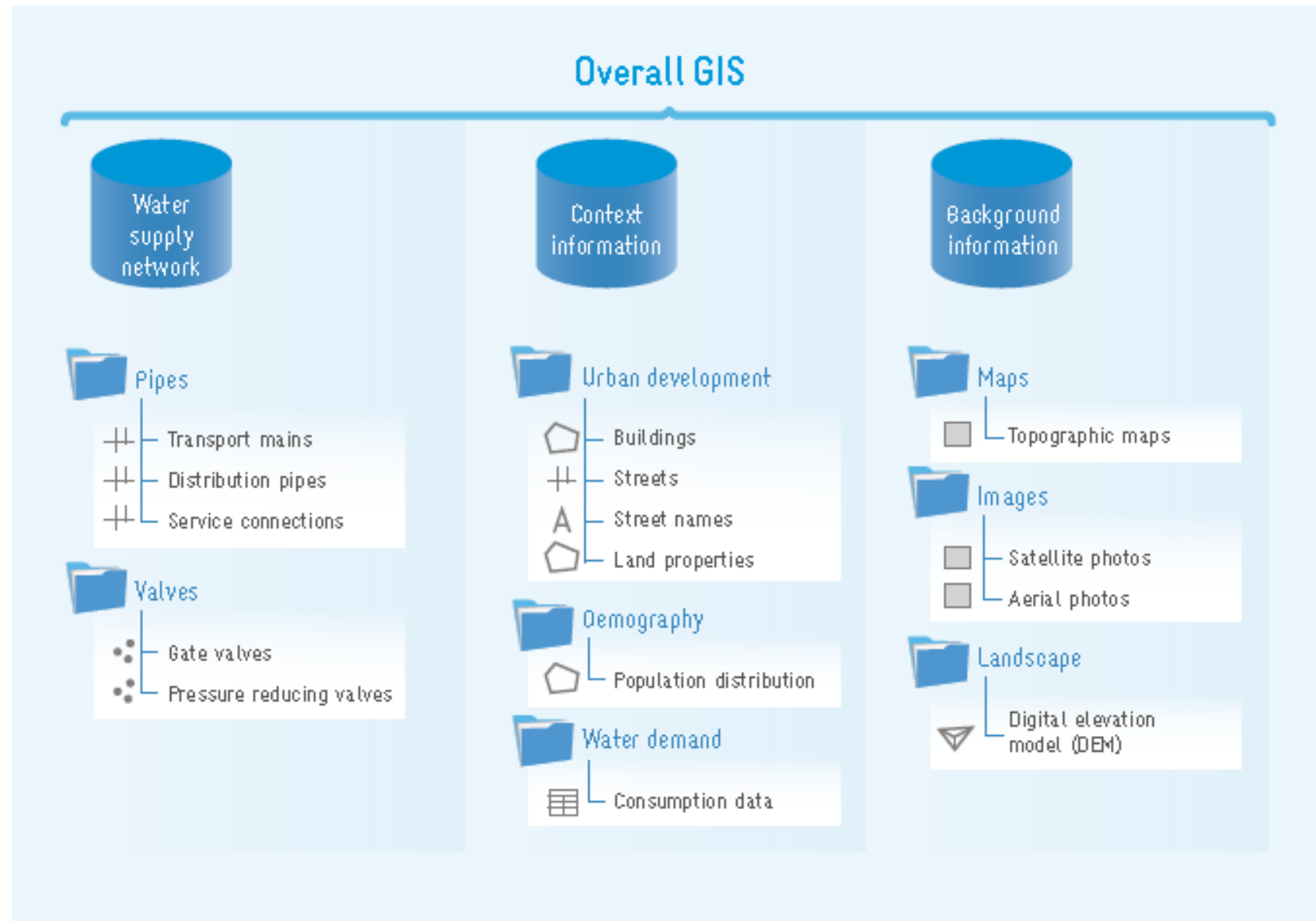


Figure 5.4

Structure of a GIS based on databases, data sets and single object classes [93]

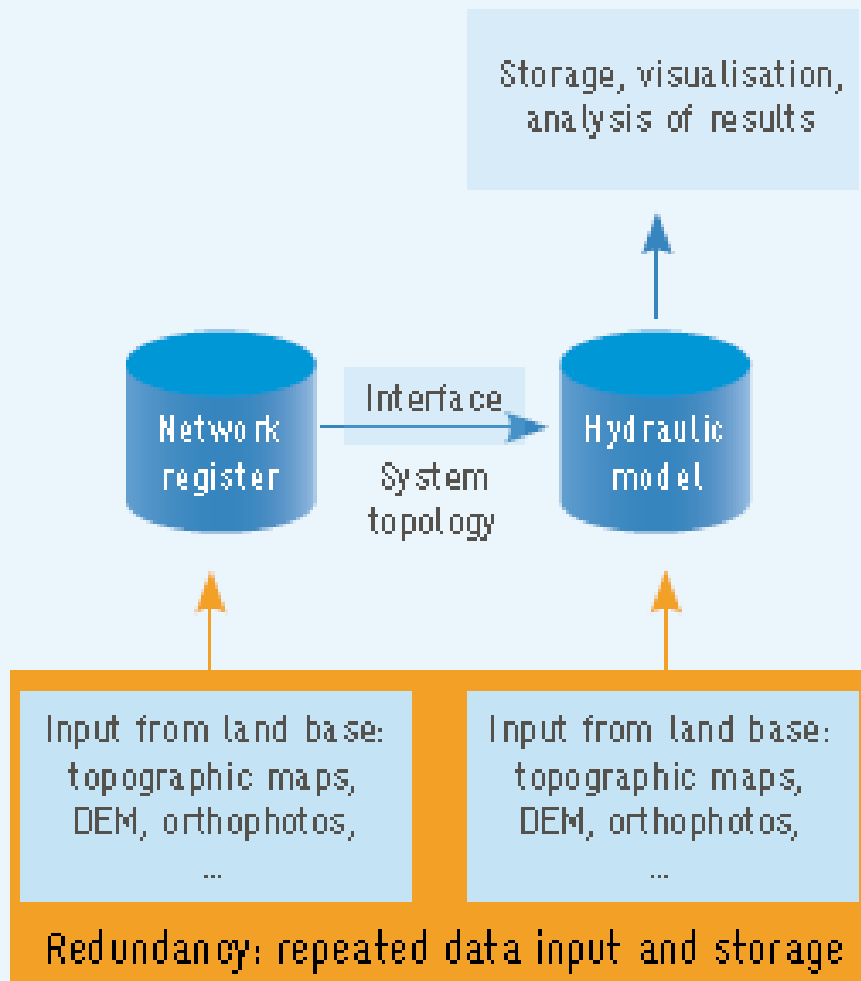




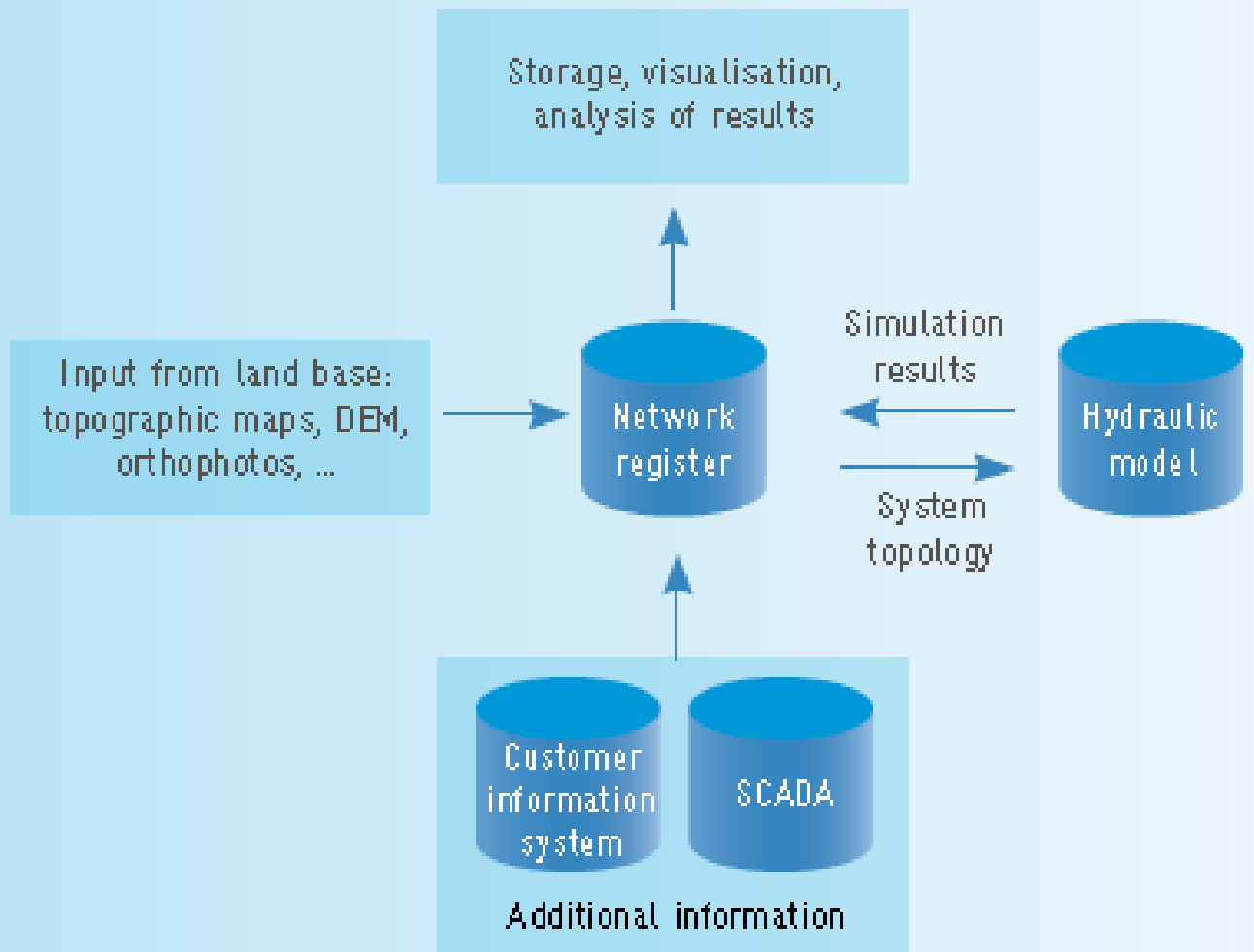
**Figure 5.6**

Linking the hydraulic network model to the network register

### Interface solution

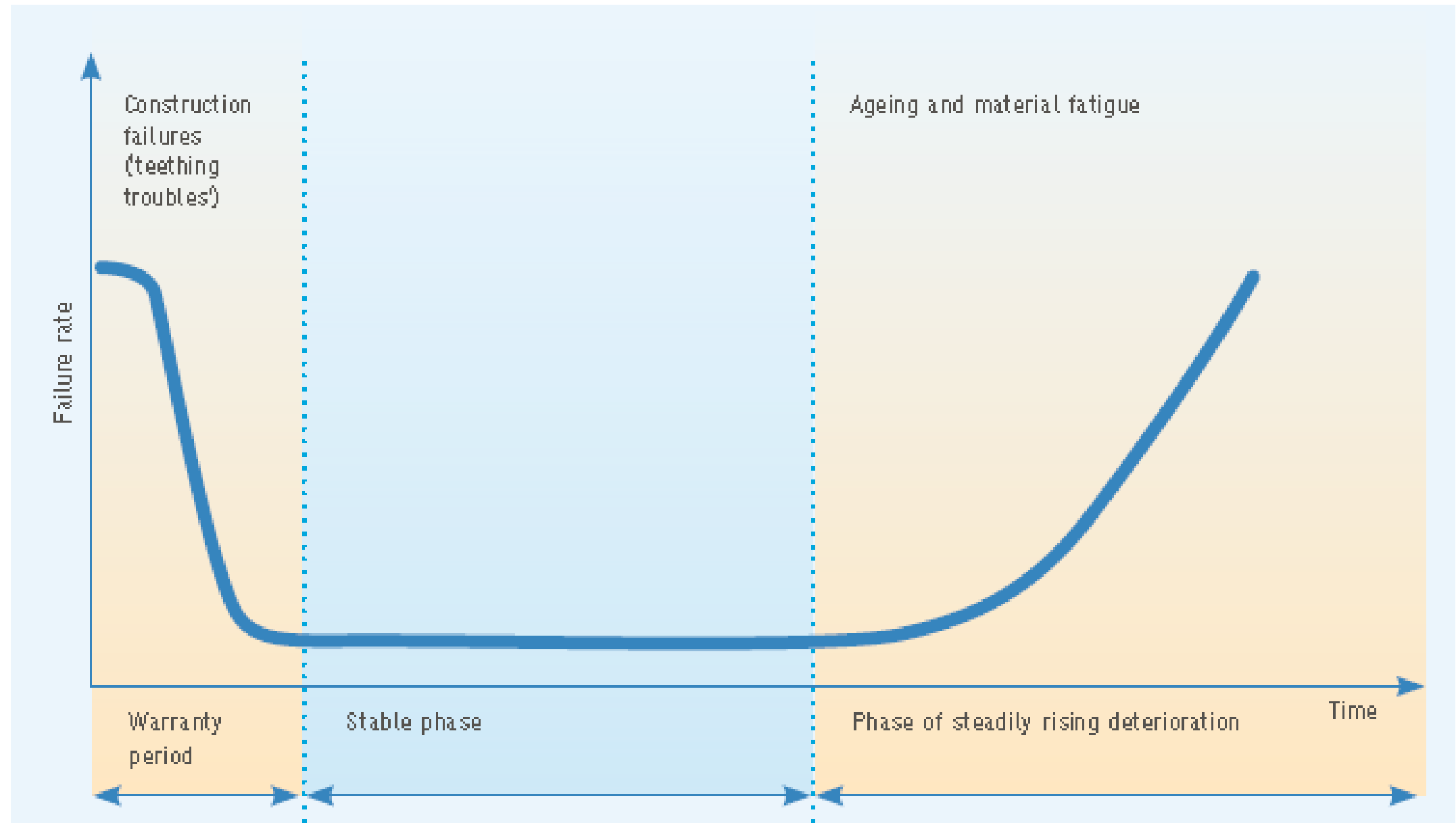


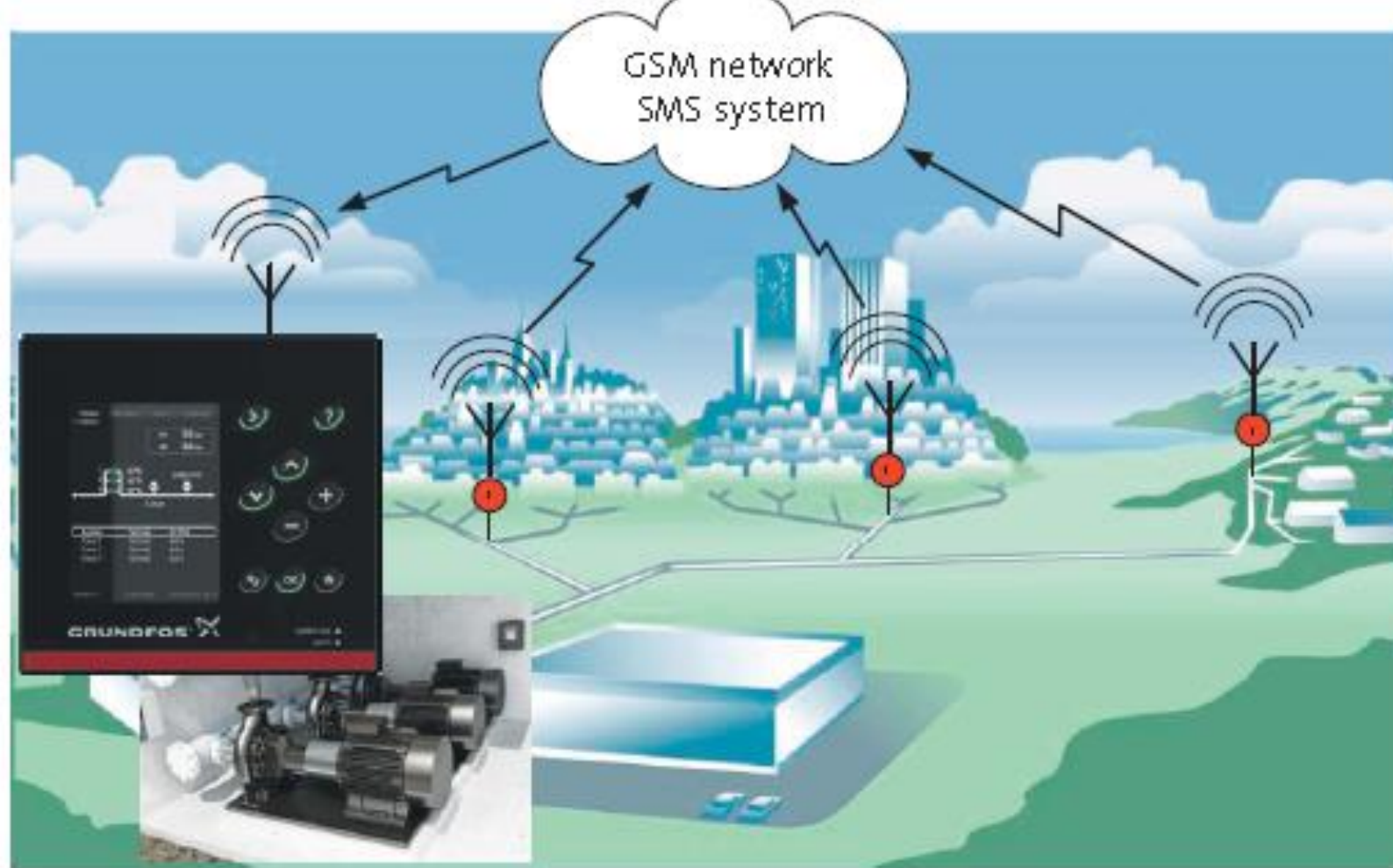
### Integrated solution



**Figure 5.9**

Typical behaviour of the failure rate in pipes, based on [43]



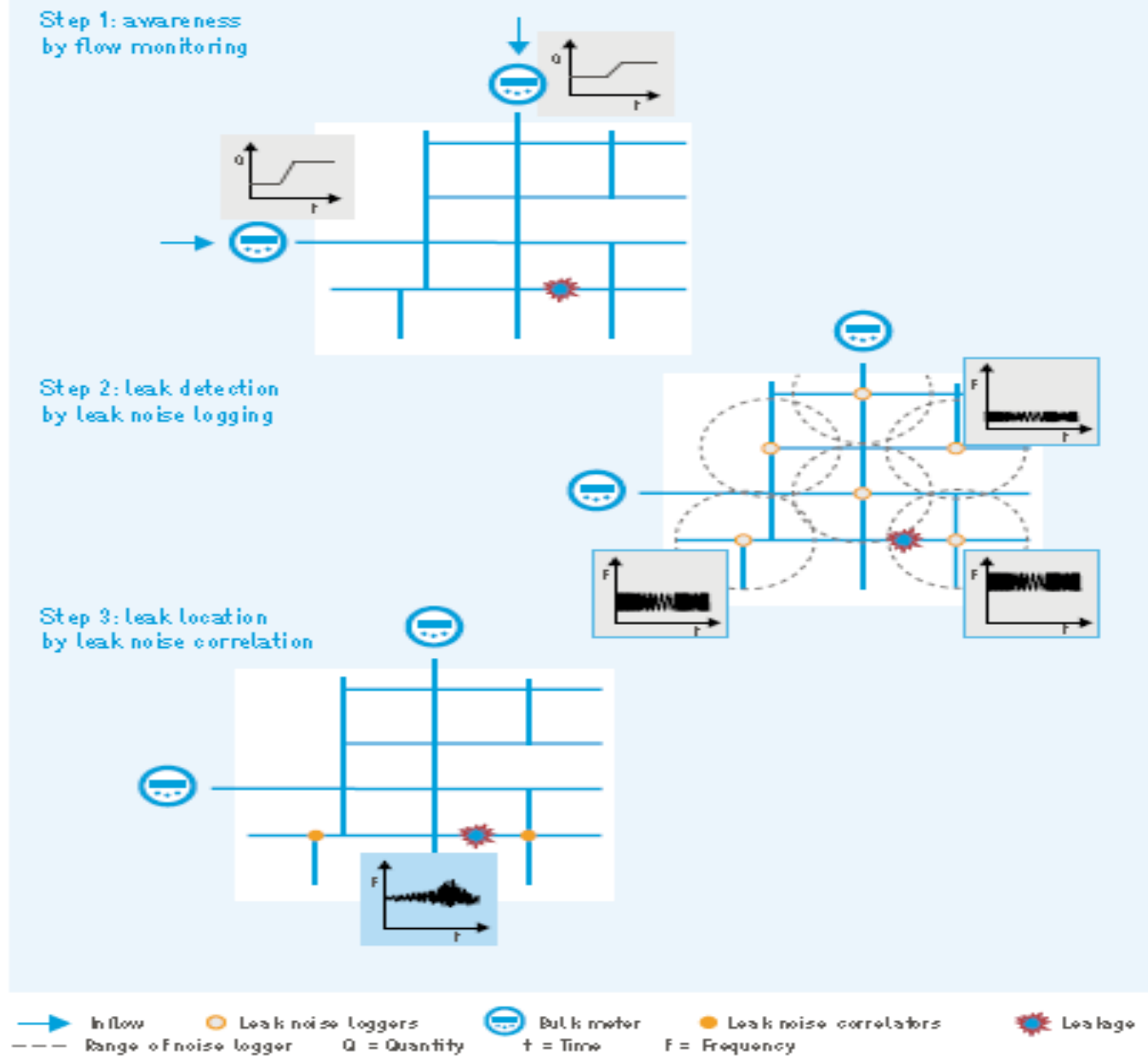


**Figure 5:** The Demand Driven Distribution controller connected to network pressure sensors via the GSM network allows control of the pumps in accordance with the logger data via a smart adaptive control algorithm

|                                    | PROBLEMS FACING WATER UTILITIES,<br>AND BENEFITS WITH DIFFERENT MODES OF OPERATION                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                    | INTERMITTENT<br>SUPPLY:<br>(NOT "24/7"<br>OPERATION)                                                                                                                                                          | CONTINUOUS<br>SUPPLY:<br>(EXCESS PRESSURE)                                                                                                                                          | OPTIMAL PRESSURE<br>MANAGEMENT:<br>(DEMAND DRIVEN<br>DISTRIBUTION)                                                                             |
| NRW – HIGH<br>LEAKAGE<br>COMPONENT | Leakage flow rates<br>reduction due to limited<br>time of pressurisation.<br>Very high burst<br>frequencies on mains<br>and services.<br>Big risks of<br>contamination when the<br>pipes are not pressurised. | High burst frequencies<br>due to higher than<br>required maximum<br>pressures for much of the<br>time.<br>High leak flow rates due<br>to higher than required<br>average pressures. | 10 % reduction of average<br>pressure produces 10 % to 20 %<br>reduction in annual leakage<br>(depends on pipe materials and<br>type of leaks) |
| ENERGY<br>EFFICIENCY               | High energy costs for<br>pumping as higher flow<br>rates are imposed to<br>move the same volume.                                                                                                              | Excess energy costs due<br>to excess pressurisation<br>from pumping.                                                                                                                | 10 % reduction of excess<br>average pressure produces<br>around 10 % decrease in energy<br>costs from pumping.                                 |



|                              |                                                                            |                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| OPERATION AND<br>MAINTENANCE | High manpower costs for<br>valving operations.<br><br>High repair costs.   | High repair costs<br><br>High liability costs                                              | 10 % reduction of average<br>pressure decreases economic<br>intervention costs of active<br>leakage control by 10 %.                                                  |
|                              | Active leakage control is<br>difficult due to<br>insufficient pressure.    | High active leakage<br>control costs due to<br>higher rate of rise of<br>unreported leaks. | 10 % reduction of average<br>pressure decreases economic<br>intervention costs of active<br>leakage control by 10 %.                                                  |
|                              | Short asset life time due<br>to poor operation and<br>pressure transients. | Short asset life time due<br>to excess pressure.                                           | Deferred renewals, residual<br>asset life extension. This<br>benefit can be very<br>substantial; prediction<br>methodology for pressure<br>reduction being developed. |

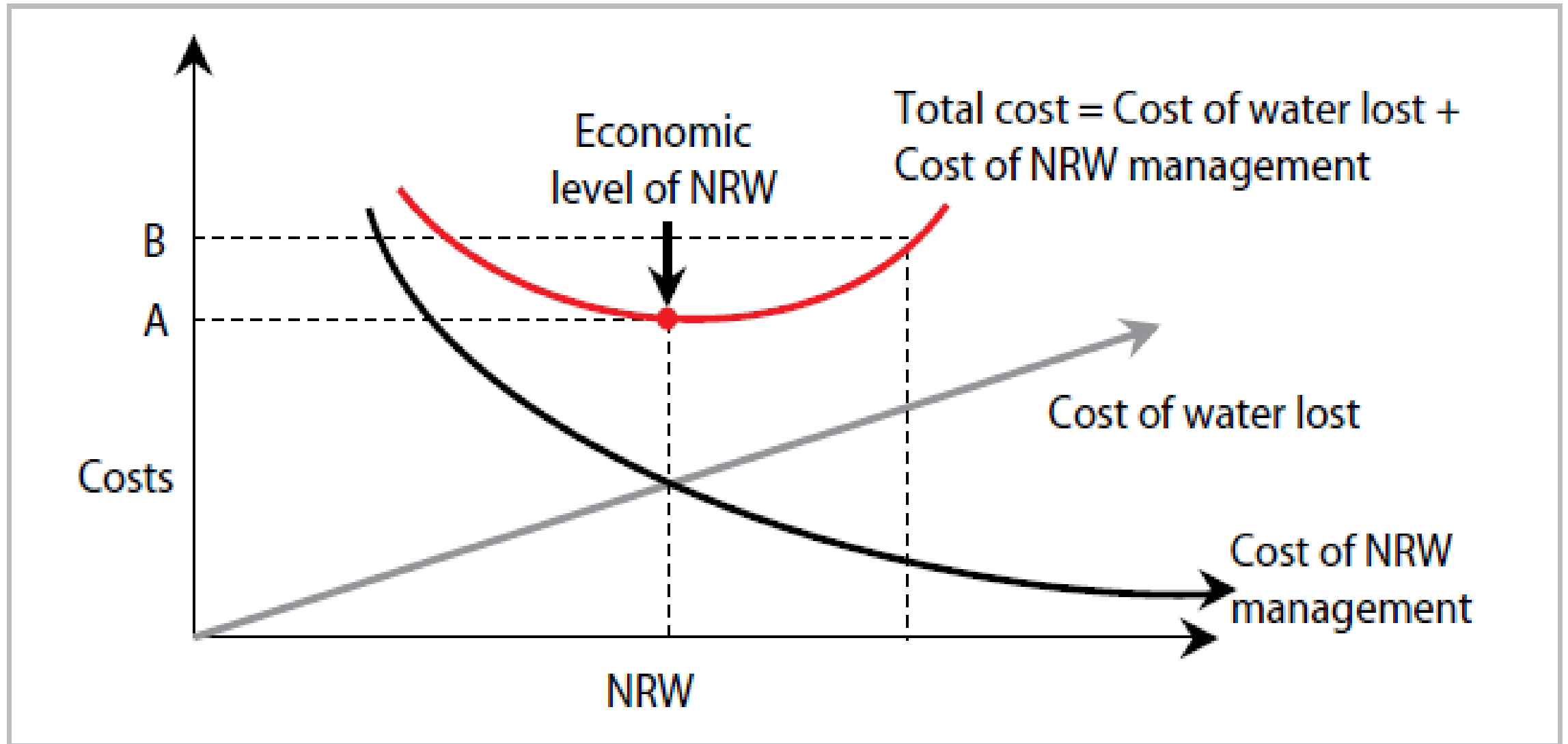


## Production Meter Accuracy

| Equipment/Method                                                                                                                                              | Approximate Accuracy Range |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Electromagnetic Flow Meters                                                                                                                                   | <0.15 - 0.5%               |
| Ultrasonic Flow Meters                                                                                                                                        | 0.5 - 1%                   |
| Insertion Meters                                                                                                                                              | <2%                        |
| Mechanical Meters                                                                                                                                             | 1.0 - 2%                   |
| Venturi Meter                                                                                                                                                 | 0.5 - 3%                   |
| Meas. Weirs in open channels                                                                                                                                  | 10 - 50%                   |
| Volume calculated with pump curves                                                                                                                            | 10 - 50%                   |
| Note: Actual meter accuracy will depend on many factors (like flow profile, calibration, meter installation, maintenance) and has to be verified case by case |                            |

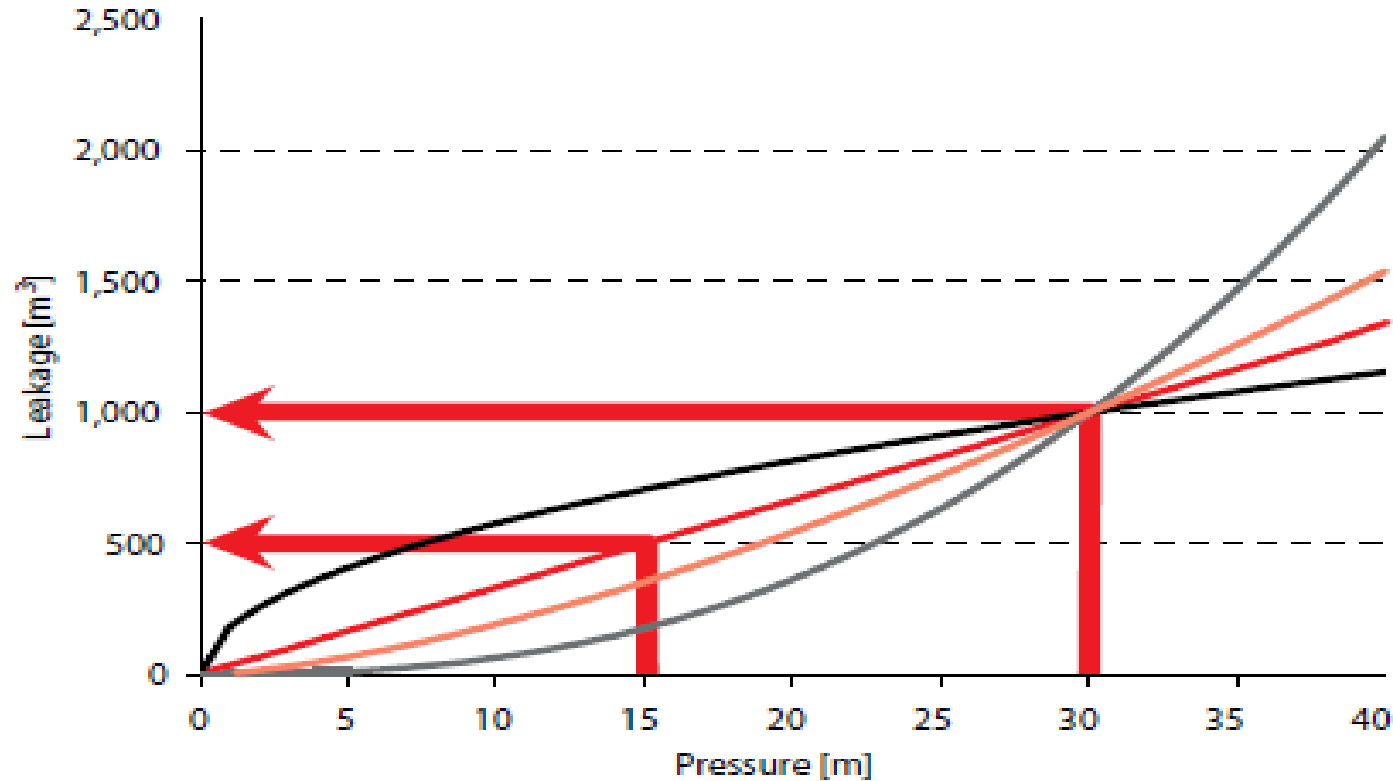
Source: World Bank Institute, 2007

# NRW Economic Level Identification





# Pressure Leakage Relationship



- $N1=0.5$   $N1$  is the scaling factor to account for different pipe and network characteristics, but large networks with a mix of pipe materials tend towards a linear relationship, with  $N1 = 1.0$
- $N1=1$  For leaks from metallic pipes,  $N1 = 0.5$
- $N1=1.5$  Small leaks from joints and fittings (background leakage),  $N1 = 1.5$
- $N1=2.5$  In exceptional cases, e.g. splits in plastic pipes,  $N1$  could be as high as 2.5

Source: World Bank Institute

# Reduction and Control of UFW

- Substantial savings can be achieved, and requirement of extension water supply facilities can be avoided or minimised by reducing unaccounted-for water. (specifically, leakage detection and control)
- By reducing UFW water agency will be in better financial situation and will be stronger position to achieve its financial self-sufficiency and long-term sustainability.
- A low rate of unaccounted-for water is one of the best overall indicators that a water utility is successful.

# Policy issues for sustainable O&M

## Governance

- › Operational autonomy
- › Ability to manage staff
- › Flexibility in decision making
- › Transparent subsidies

## Management

- › Responsiveness to consumers
- › Efficiency
- › Commercial viability
- › Capacity to grow and transform

# Possible options for reform

**(A) Integrated Municipal Management (IMM)**

**(B) Municipal Water Company (MWC)**

# A. Integrated Municipal Management

## Advantages

- › Simple to administer
- › Managerial control with Municipal Commissioner
- › Customers can deal with one agency for all services
- › Democratization at the grass-root level

## Weaknesses

- › Low accountability
- › Key staff
- › Difficult to link tariffs to service delivery
- › Less focus on water
- › Councilor and operator conflicts



## B. Municipal Water Company

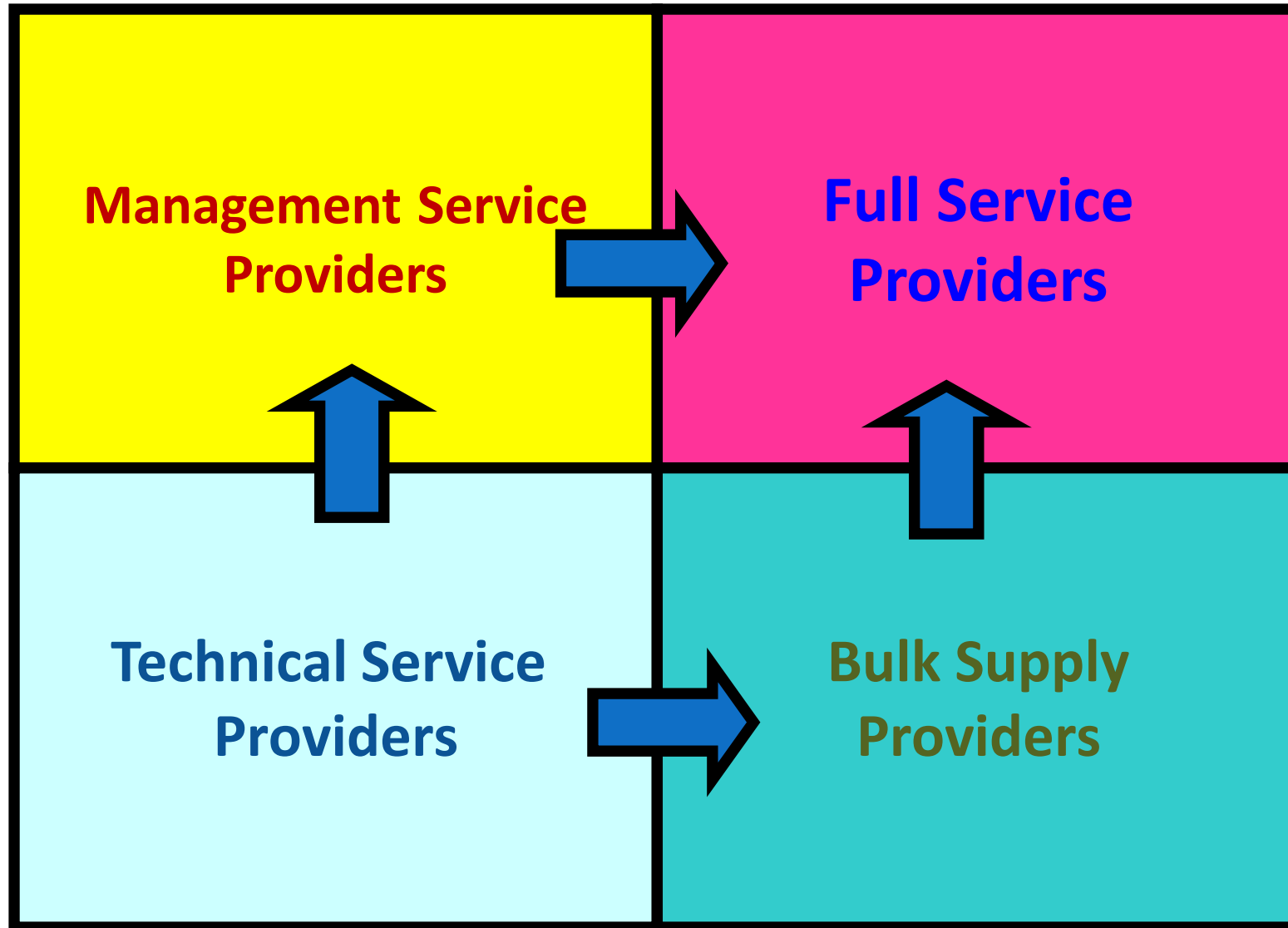
### Advantages

- › Protected from daily interference from policy makers
- › Civil society can be included in management
- › Tariffs and service delivery can be linked
- › Better financial planning and management

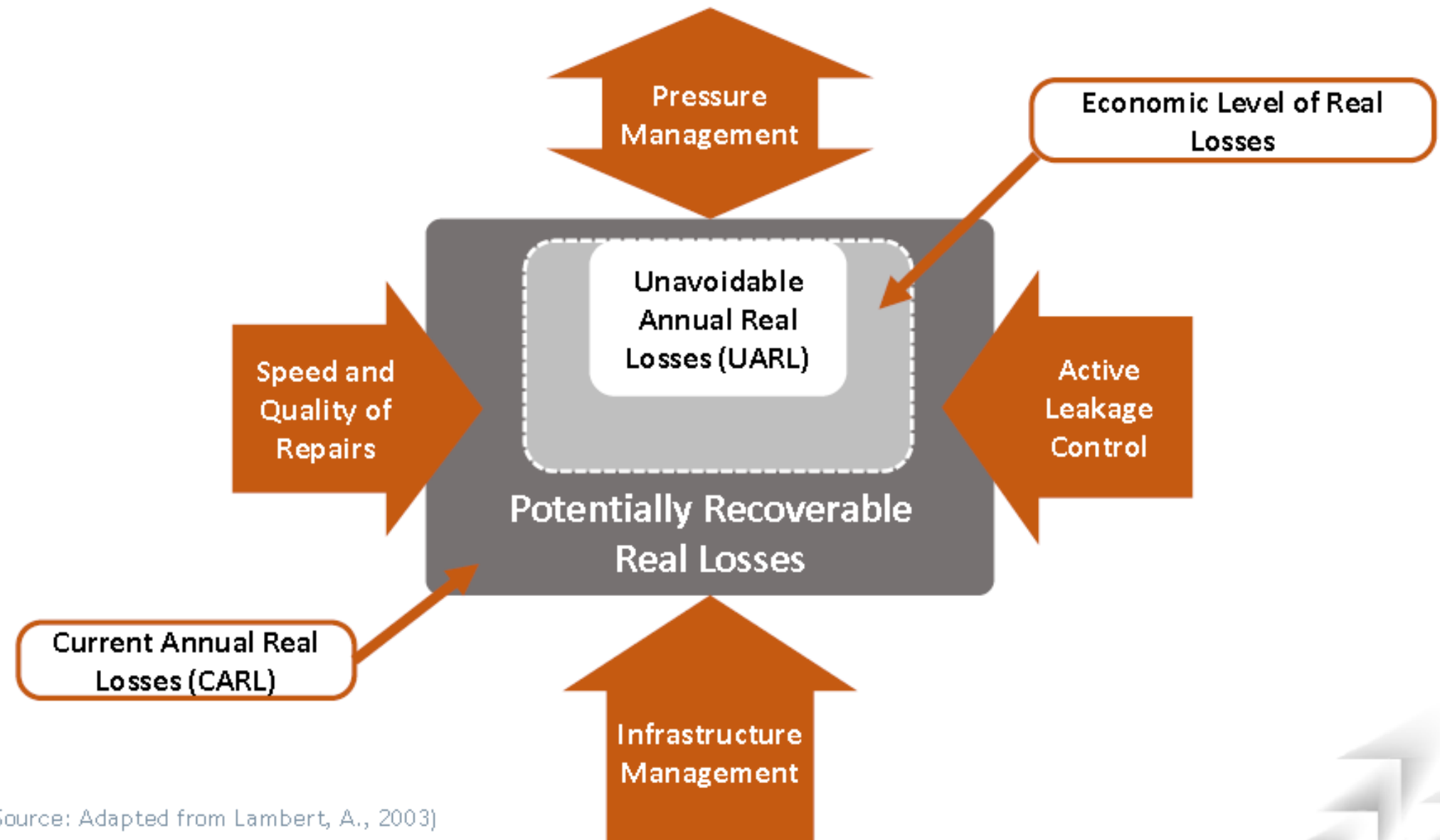
### Weaknesses

- › Require detailed initial planning and preparation
- › Staff who are deputed may be unwanted by the parent agency
- › Require elaborate training to induce corporate culture
- › Councilors involvement low hence they may resist

# Management Options



# IWA intervention strategies to reduce water losses



(Source: Adapted from Lambert, A., 2003)







# Terminology

## Non-Revenue Water Consists of:

### Real Losses

- Service Leaks
- Weepers (Undetectable)
- Reservoir leakage
- Main Leaks
- Major Ruptures / Failures



### Apparent Losses

- Meter Under-Registration
  - Mechanical Wear
  - Over-sized meter
- Authorized Unbilled consumption
- Billing Errors
- Theft



# What's a Normal Amount of Water Loss?

## Depends on the size of the system

Benchmark to a systems theoretical minimum level of water loss (UARL).

- 1 – 2 times the UARL = very well managed system
- 2 – 3 times the UARL = doing pretty good
- 3 – 4 times the UARL = average performer  
(some easy reductions with leak detection may be possible)
- 4 – 5 times the UARL = definite room for improvement
- > 5 time the UARL = Leak detection easily justified

| SYSTEM       | Lm<br>(km) | Nc (#) | Lp<br>(km) | P<br>(mH) | UARL (L/s) | Current Losses (L/s) | ILI Est. |
|--------------|------------|--------|------------|-----------|------------|----------------------|----------|
| <u>Sooke</u> | 132        | 4,415  | 44         | 50        | 4          | 10                   | 2.5      |

## Leak Sizes

< 0.1 L/s (pinhole leak)

0.1 L/s – 0.2 L/s (small leak)

0.25 L/s – 0.5 L/s (medium leak)

1 – 3 L/s (large service leak)

3 – 6 L/s (very large leak)

> 6 L/s (pressure loss)

# Managing Non-Revenue Water

## What Should We Do at Minimum

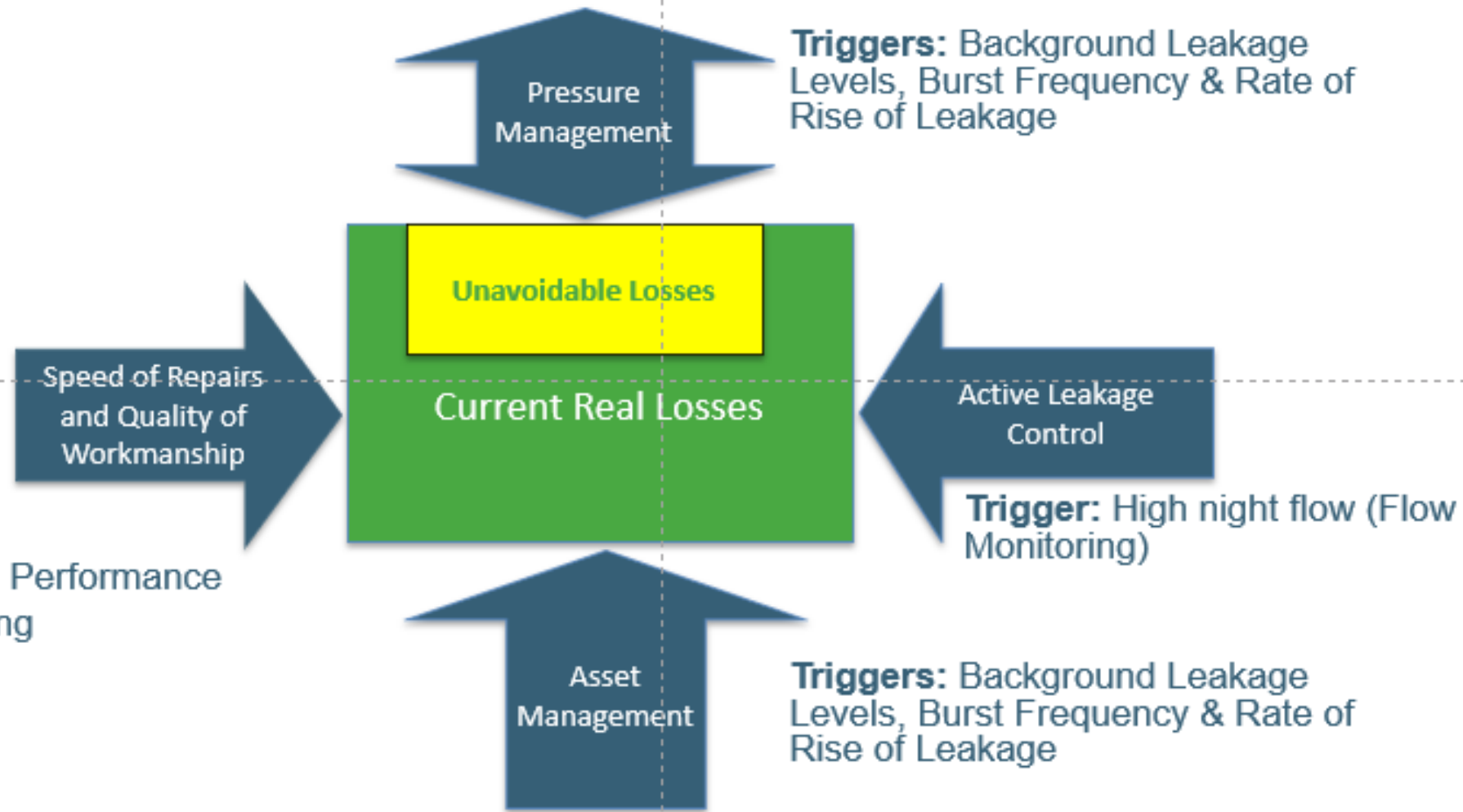
### Managing Real Losses

- Source meter with good low flow capability. Ability to data-log hourly flow.
- Monitor source meter data (review night flows and track )
- Track break locations, materials and failure type
- Replace pipe with high break frequency
- Integrate water loss testing with other operational tasks
- Reduce pressures where possible
- Hire competent pipe installers and designers, use good materials.

### Managing Apparent Losses

- AWWA M36 Water Audit
- Get to know your customer data - Flag low billing volumes and oversized meters
- Replace residential meters approx. every 20-25 years
- Right size meters for large customers
- Test/Replace large customer meters (more frequently than residential meters)

# Managing Real Water Loss

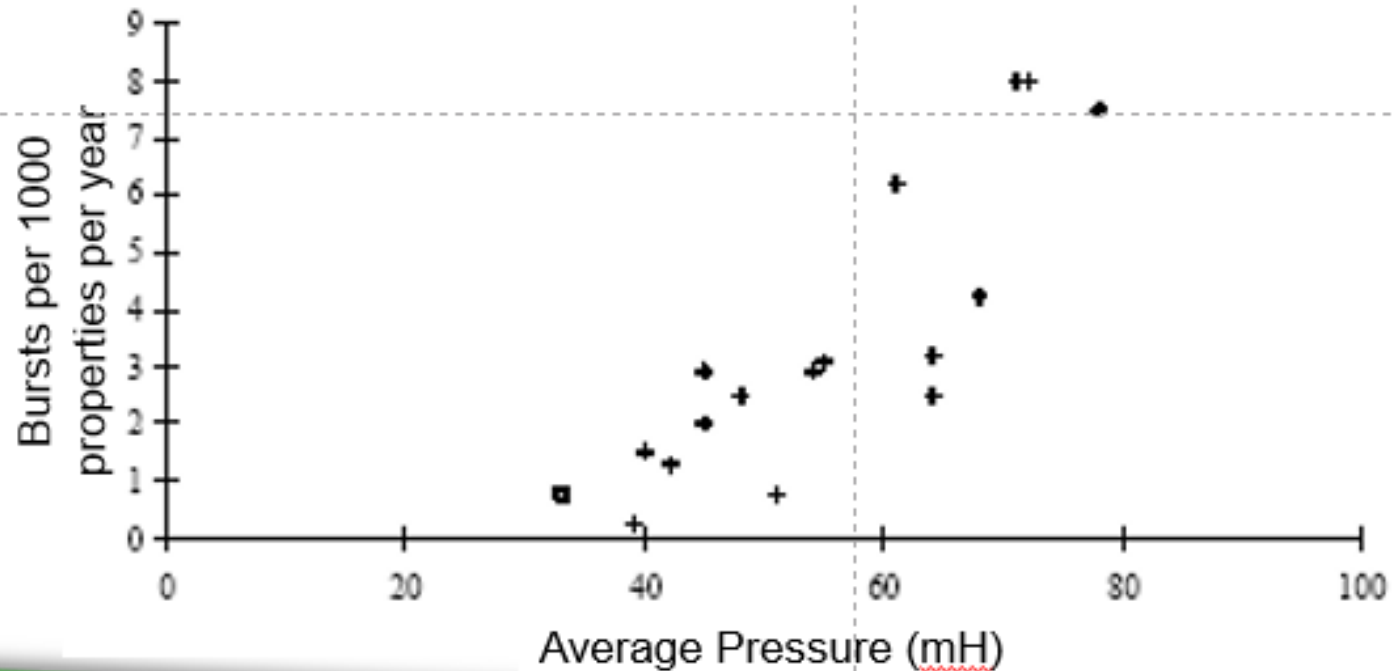




# PRESSURE MANAGEMENT

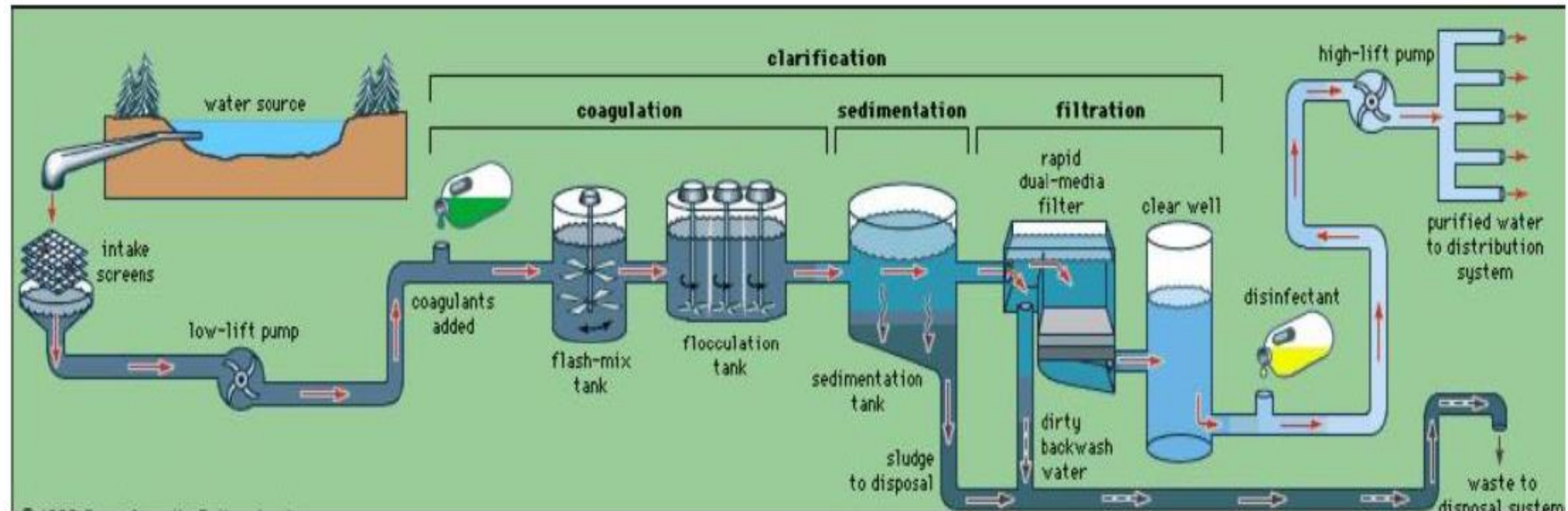
## LOWERING SYSTEM PRESSURES

- Pressure reduction : leakage relationship is 1:1  
(20% pressure reduction = 20% leakage reduction)
- Reduced burst rate & reduced maintenance costs



# Treatment & Distribution Cost

Surveys of utilities have revealed treatment and distribution costs ranging from \$1.00 - \$4.00 / 1,000 gallons (higher for consecutive systems)



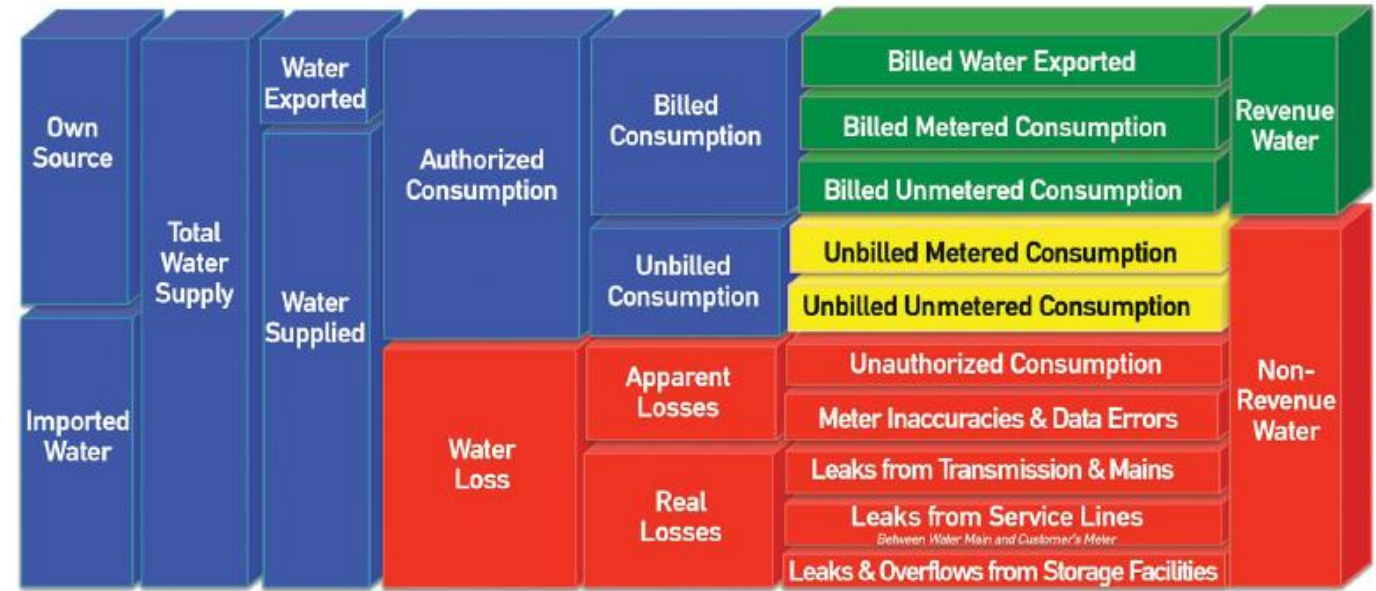
# Water Audit

- System owner must quantify water loss

AWWA M36

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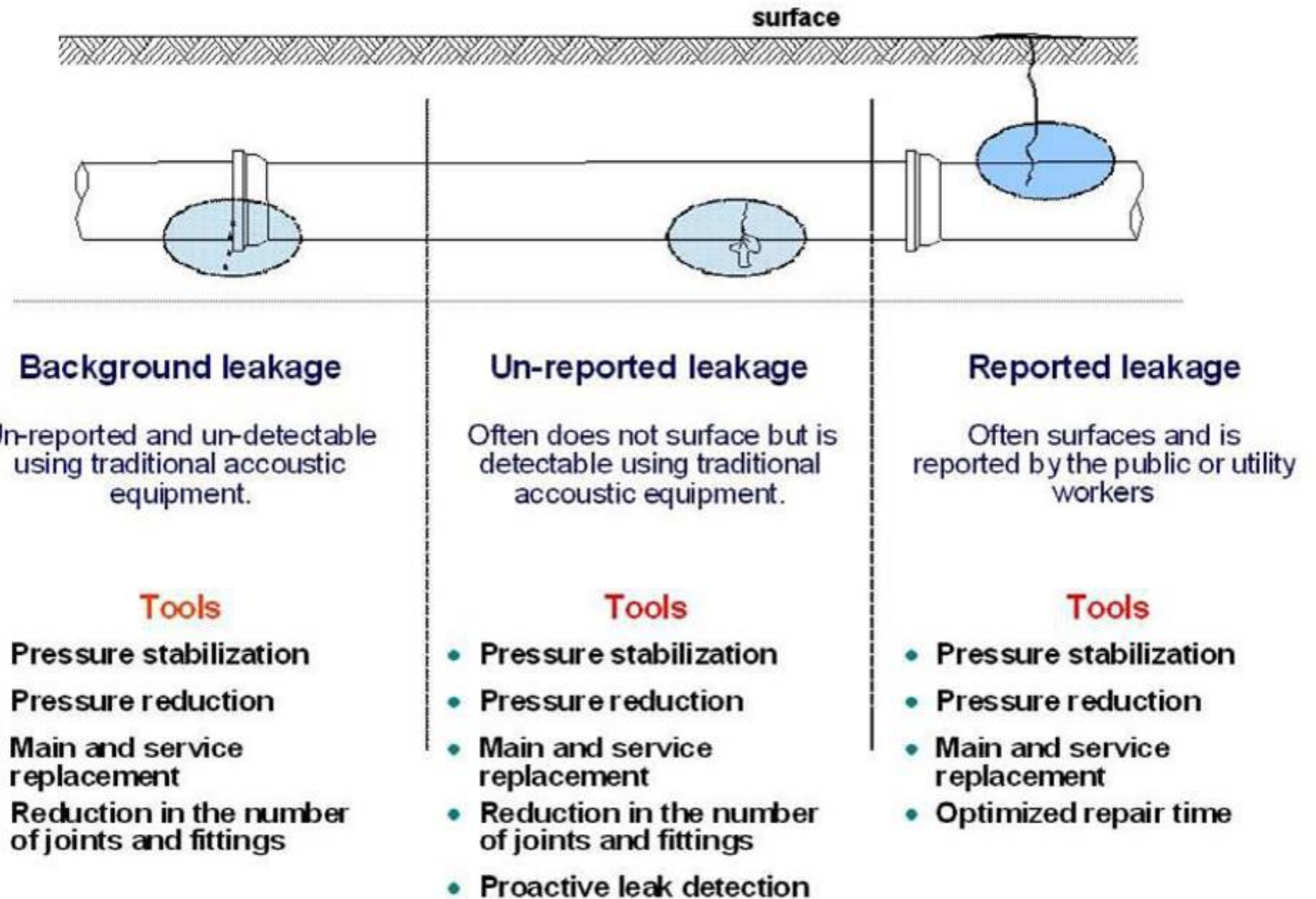
## How Do We Eliminate The Loss ?

- Identify Water Loss (Water Audit)
- Implementation of Leak Detection Program
- Pressure Management



# Water Audit

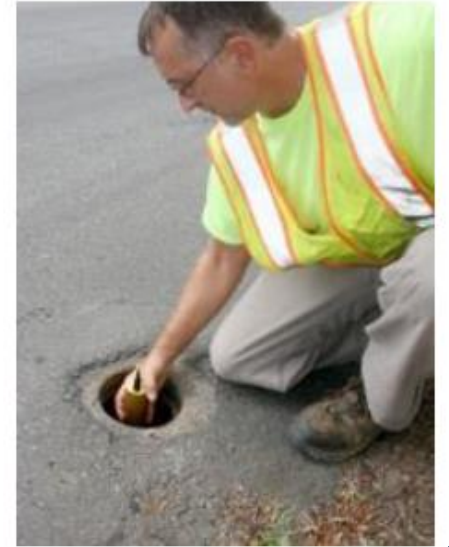
- Real losses





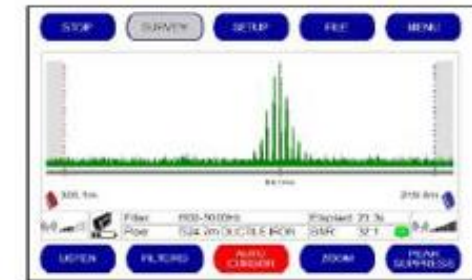
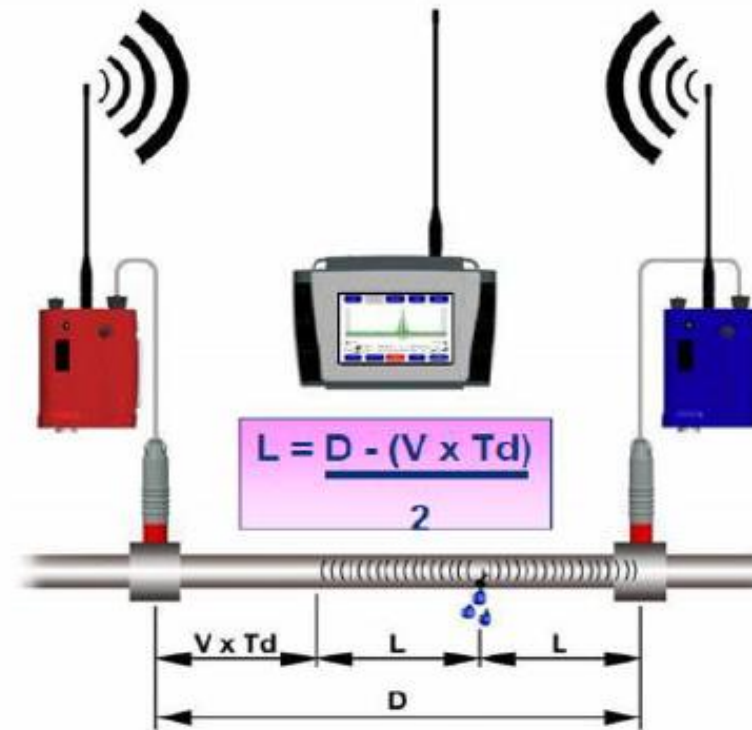
# Leak Localization

- Acoustic monitoring through leak loggers
  - Capable of checking the entire distribution network multiple times per year or even daily
  - No leak detection experience required
  - No technical skills required – loggers are magnetically attached to valves

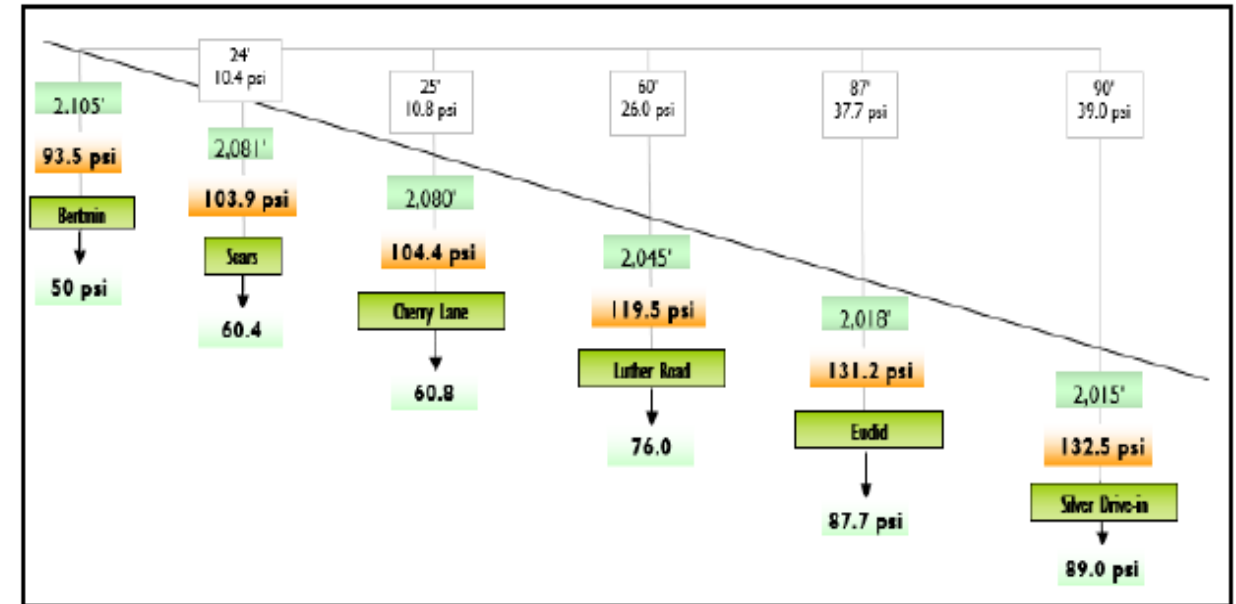
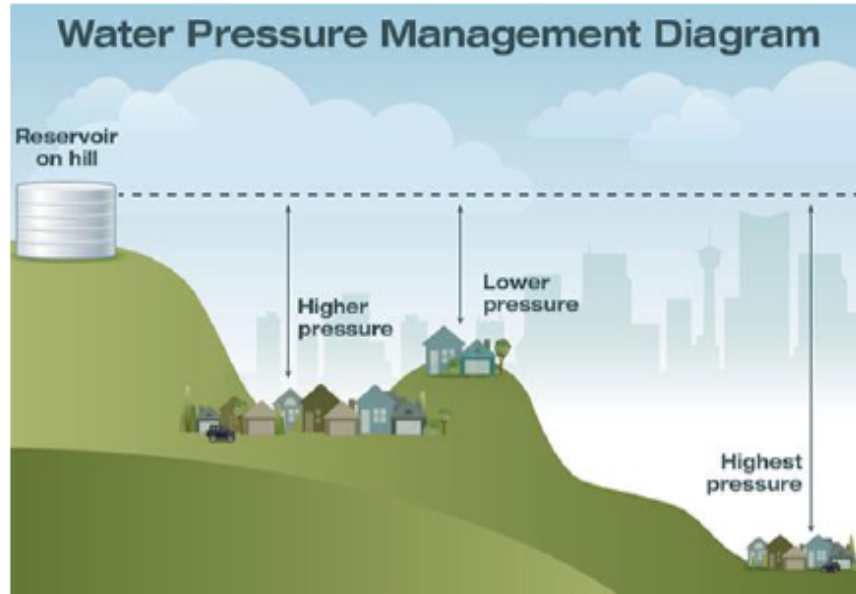


# Leak Pinpointing : Correlation

- Traditional correlation methods can be used

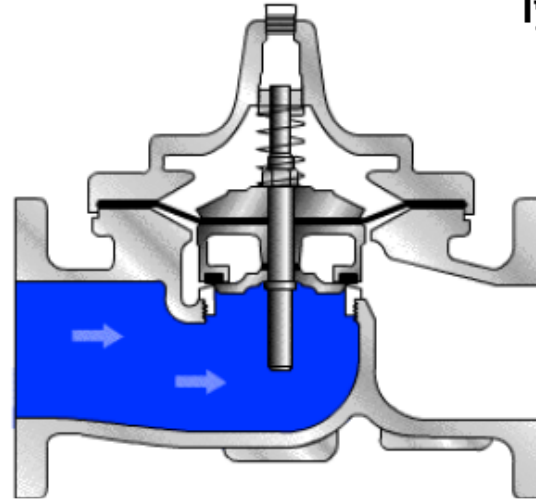


# Pressure Management



# Pressure Management

- When adjusting the pilot, screw in and the PRV increases pressure on the outlet, by venting water from the PRV top chamber
  - Water in the top chamber then pushes the PRV seat down and releases the seat upwards when water is vented



Typical pilot adjusting screw





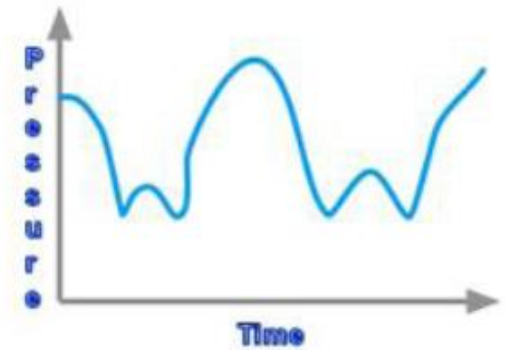
# Pressure Management

- Methods of PRV Control
  - Fixed Outlet
    - Delivers constant outlet pressure.
    - Designed to give target pressure at Critical Point (CP) at peak flow.
    - Therefore also gives excess pressure at other times.
  - Time Switched Control
    - Stepped variation in PRV outlet pressure at specific times.
    - Removes excess pressure at specific time.
    - Simple and low cost.
    - Can cause pressure surges when reopening.
  - Flow Modulation
    - PRV outlet pressure varied according to through flow.
    - The Aim is to achieve flat pressure at Critical Point (CP).
    - More complex, higher cost of construction.
    - If PRV sized correctly will deal with fire demands and create a calm network.



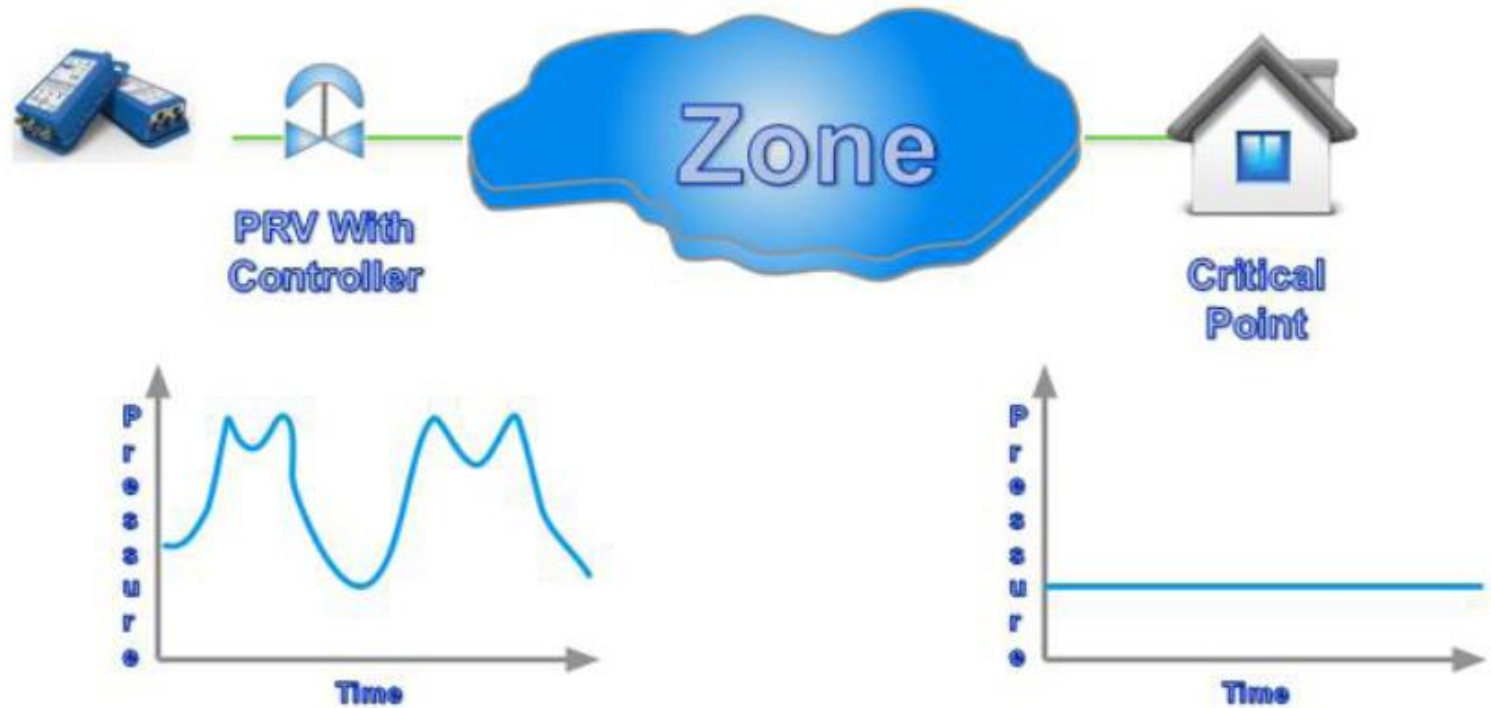
# Pressure Management

Fixed Outlet PRV

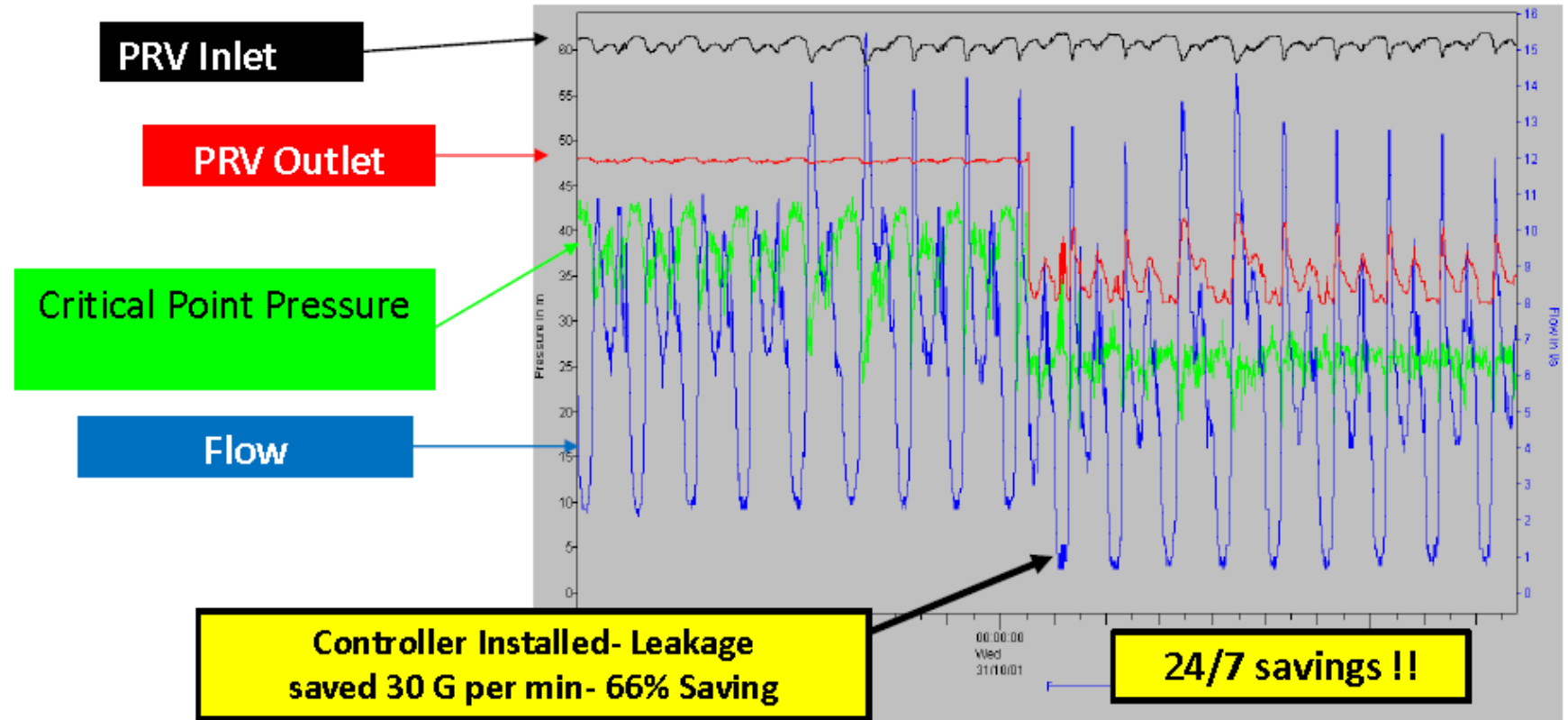


# Pressure Management

Modulated



# Pressure Management





# Pressure Management

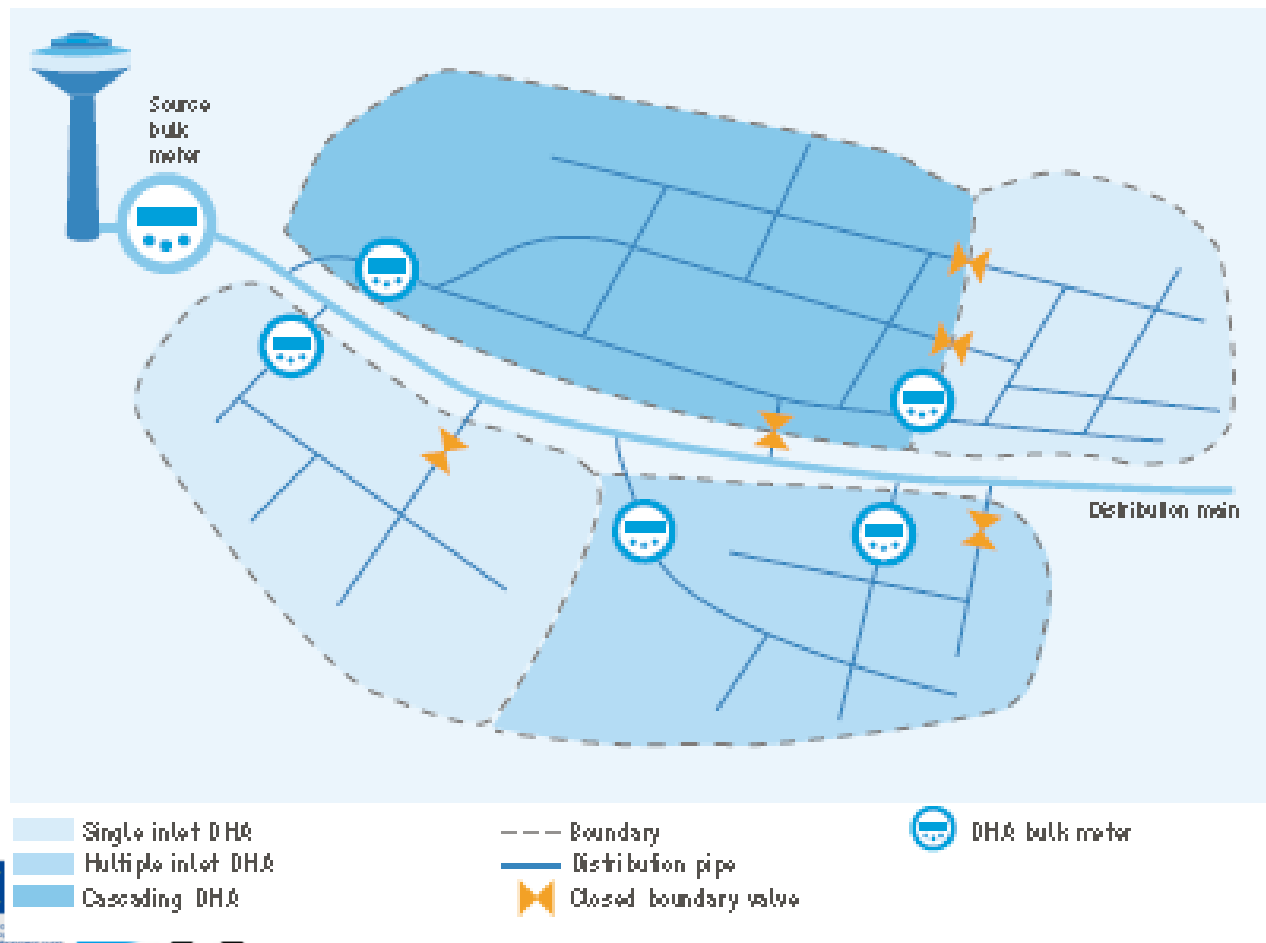
- Dramatic and Instant Leakage and Distribution Input Saving
- Increase in initial savings due to decrease in CP target settings
- Significant stabilization of network pressure
- Stable Pressure means reduced:
  - Bursts
  - Leakage Recurrence
  - Detect and Repair Activity
  - Cost to maintain stable leakage level
  - A calm network for Operations and the Customer
  - Number of unscheduled network events



### 6.3.1 Definition and purpose of DMAs

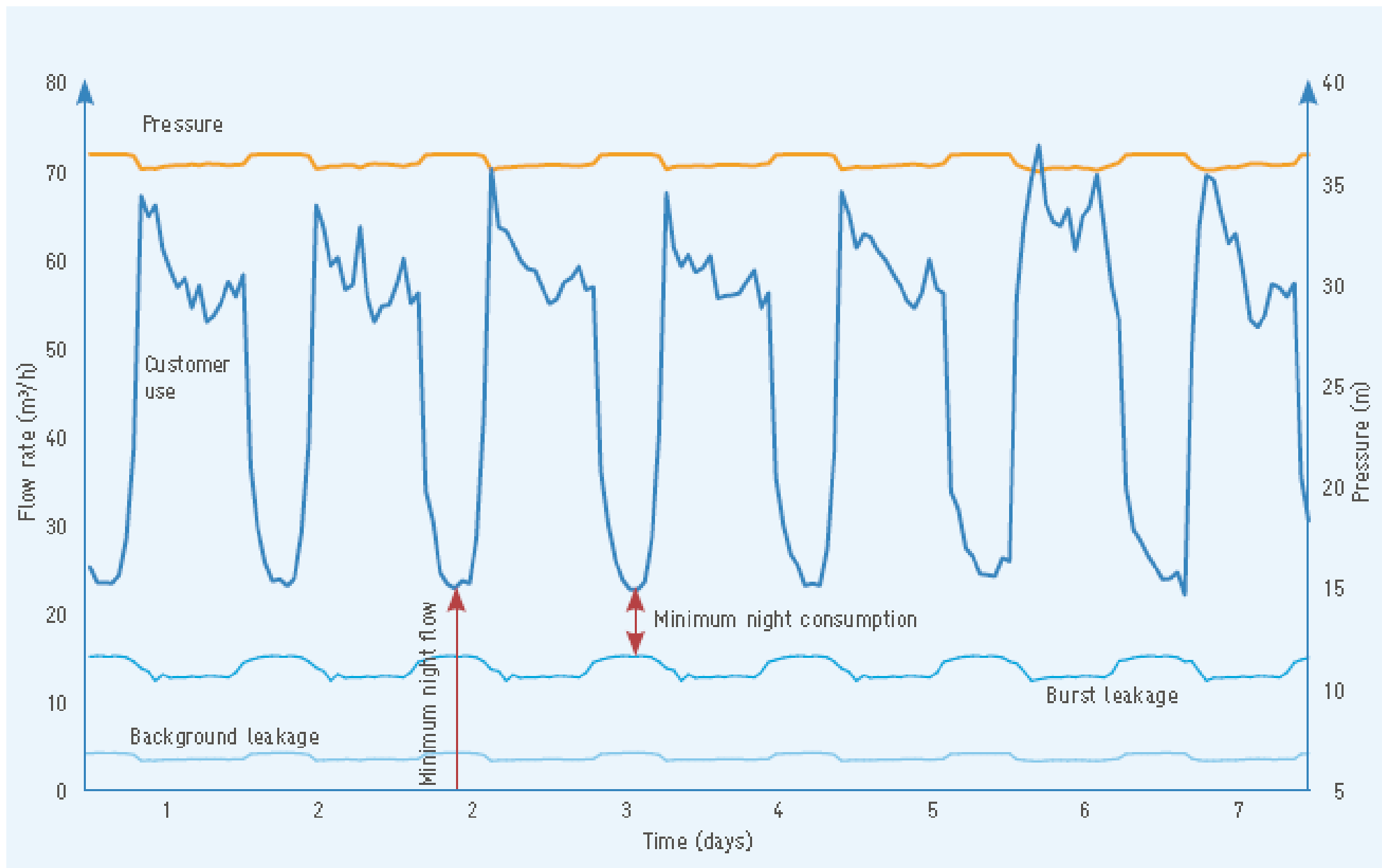
A district metered area (DMA) is defined as a discrete area of a water distribution network. It is usually created by closing boundary valves so that it remains flexible to changing demands. However, a DMA can also be created by permanently disconnecting pipes to neighbouring areas. Water flowing into and out of the DMA is metered and flows are periodically analysed in order to monitor the level of leakage. [58] DMAs can principally be categorised into three different types: single inlet DMAs, multiple inlet DMAs and cascading DMAs, as illustrated in [Figure 6.2](#).

**Figure 6.2** Typical layout of DMAs, based on [22]

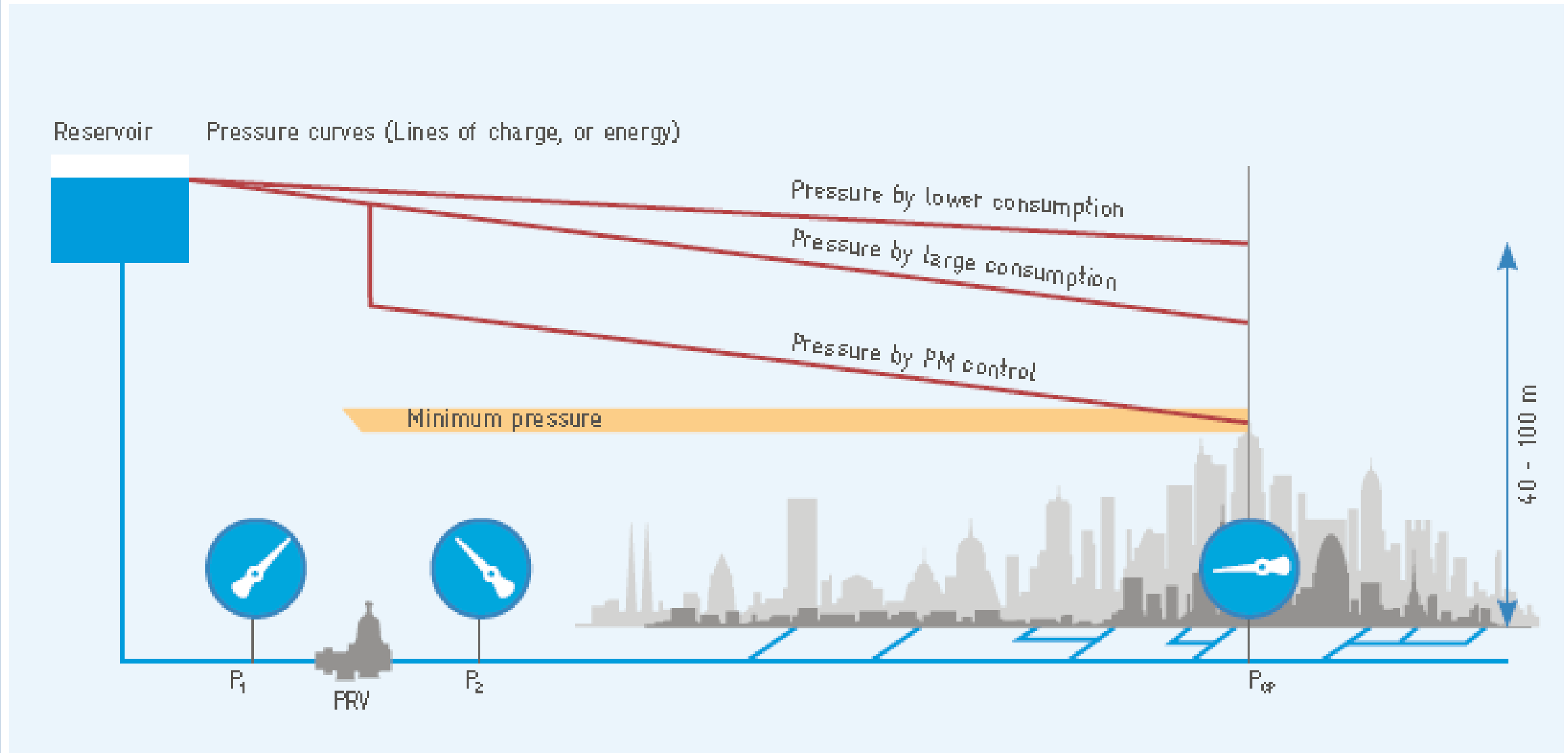


**Figure 6.3**

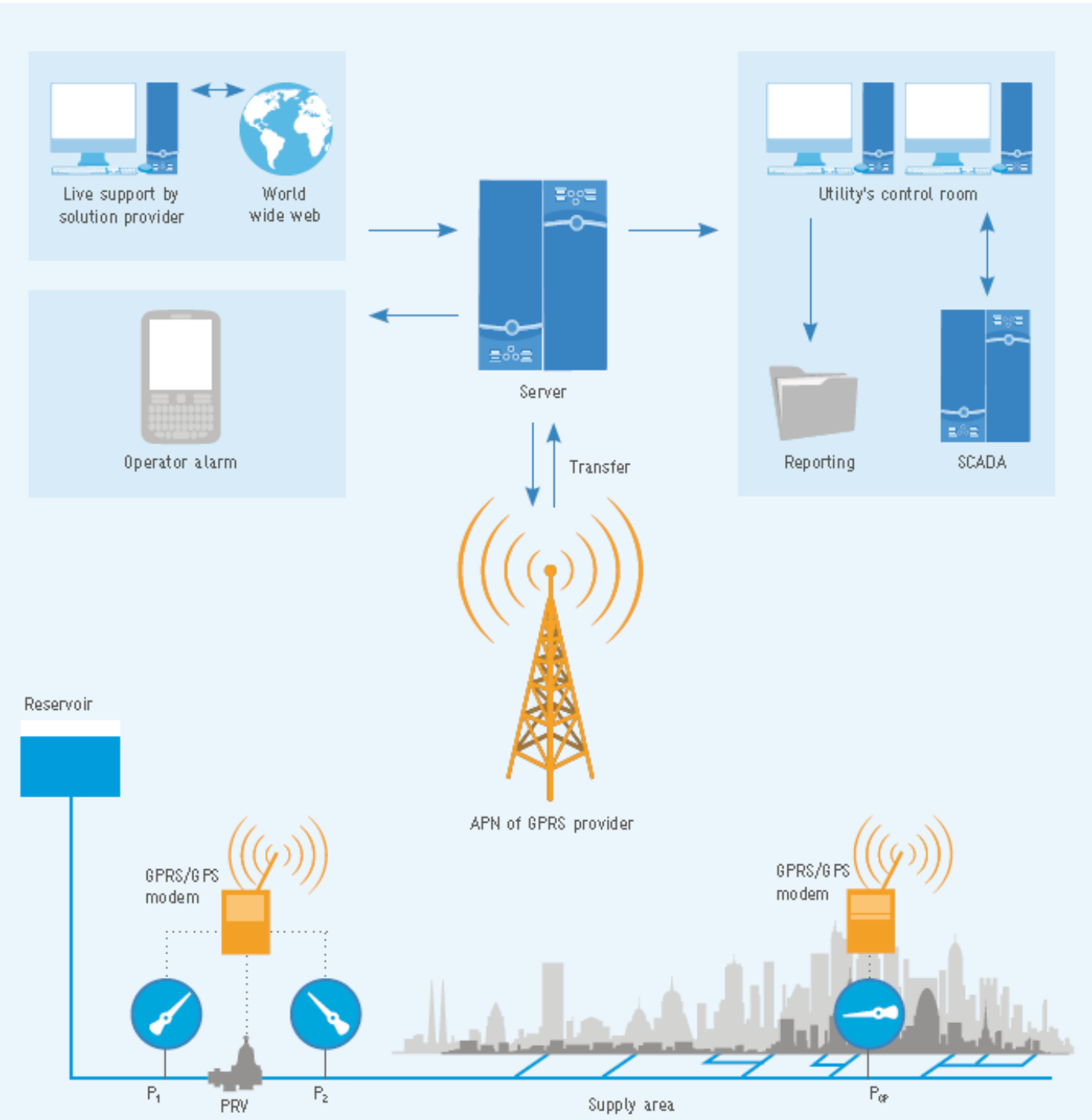
Relationship between the flow rate, pressure and leakage components, based on [58]



**Figure 6.4** Simplified view of pressures within a distribution network







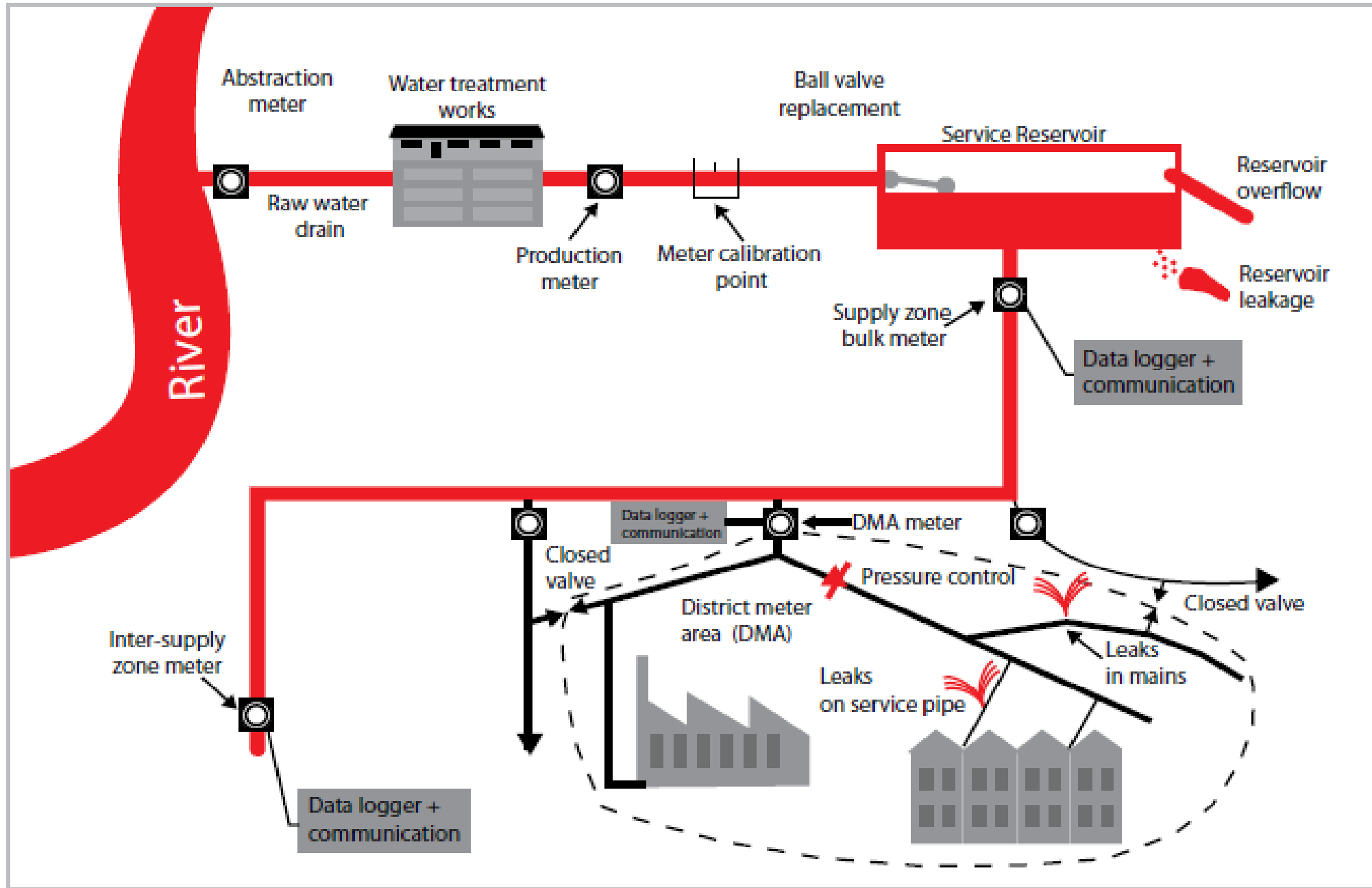
# CONCLUSIONS

## How to achieve and maintain a low level of NRW?

- Develop a holistic NRW master plan based on the analysis of the current NRW and the state of the water distribution network, which can serve as the basis for upcoming investment plans and their projected returns
- This is followed by a continuous focus on monitoring and optimising the water distribution to maintain a low NRW level
- Ongoing monitoring and pressure management are best carried out by breaking down the distribution system into smaller DMAs
- The quality of installed components such as valves, pumps, pipes and metres etc. also play a key factor in reducing the water loss, since operating costs and repairs are often more expensive than the product itself
- Carrying out a successful NRW programme requires commitment from all organisational levels as well as trained staff, who work continuously on keeping NRW levels low
- Capacity building at all staff levels in the utility is a key element

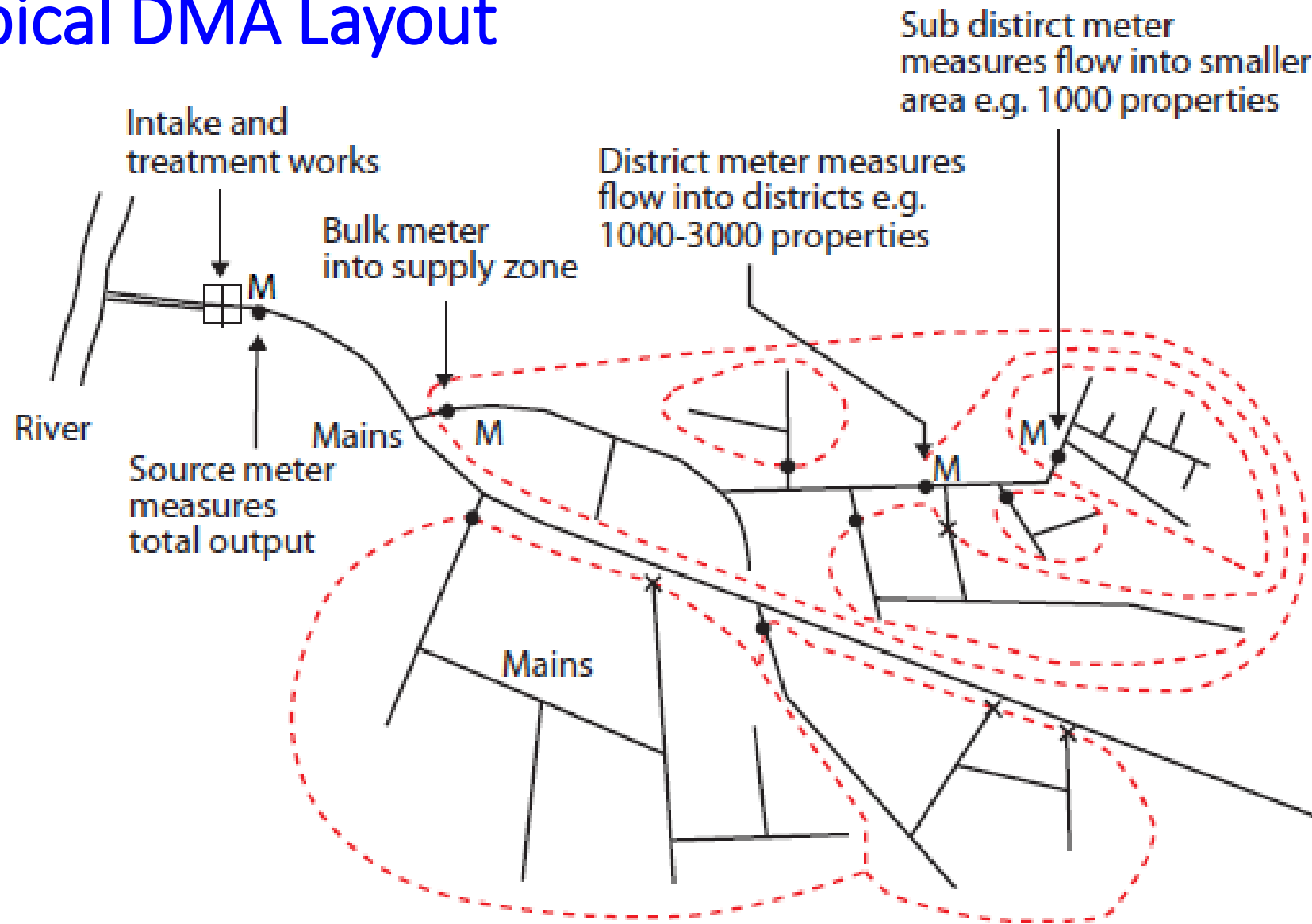
# CASE STUDY

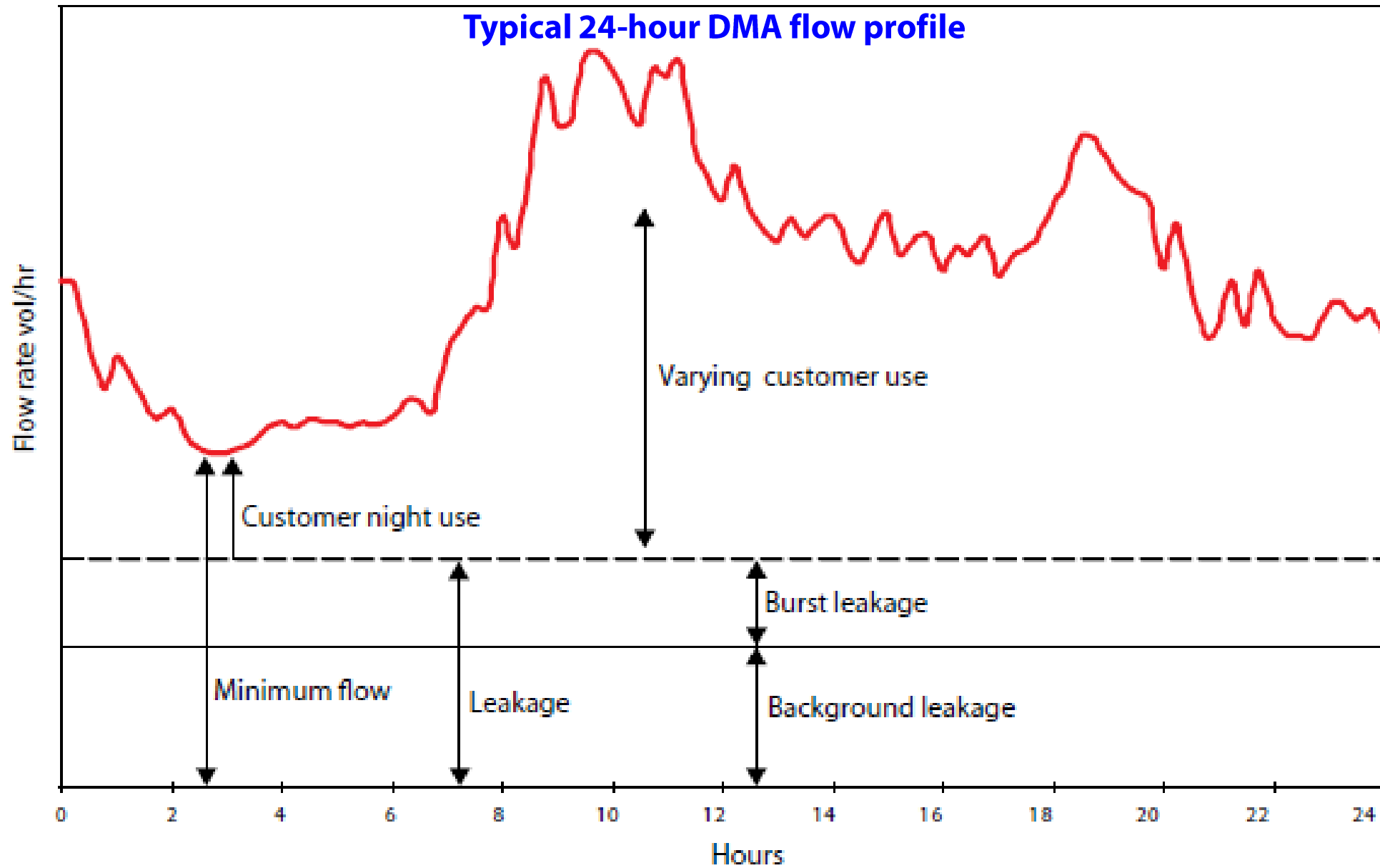
- This project is as a Case Study done by NBW using Darwin Calibrator functionality within Bentley System – WaterGems and with technical support of World bank Institute.
- Darwin Calibrator is an optimization module that uses genetic algorithms to calibrate hydraulic models of water distribution networks
- One of the operations available in this module is ‘Detect Leakage Node, which enables pinpointing of potential leak locations
- The main purpose of this project was to gain a better understanding of the practical processes involved in using hydraulic models in a dynamic way for the purposes of localising bursts for detection teams to target
- In addition, the project identified potentially closed valves and investigated the optimum number of pressure loggers required
- With each DMA analyzed, the approach became more structured and adjustments were made to the leak analysis process
- This presentation describes the final methodology developed using the experience gained and lessons learnt from this project

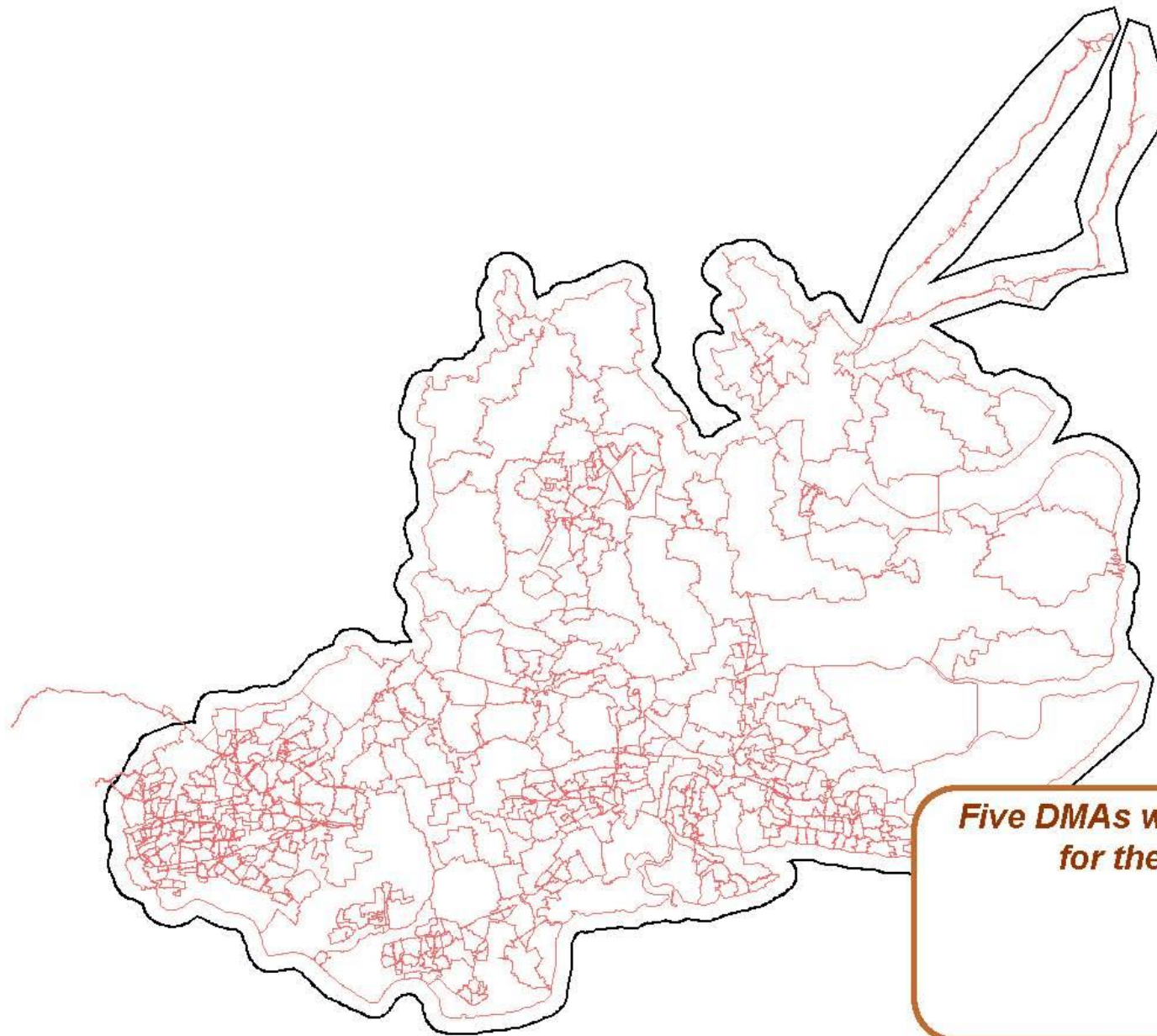




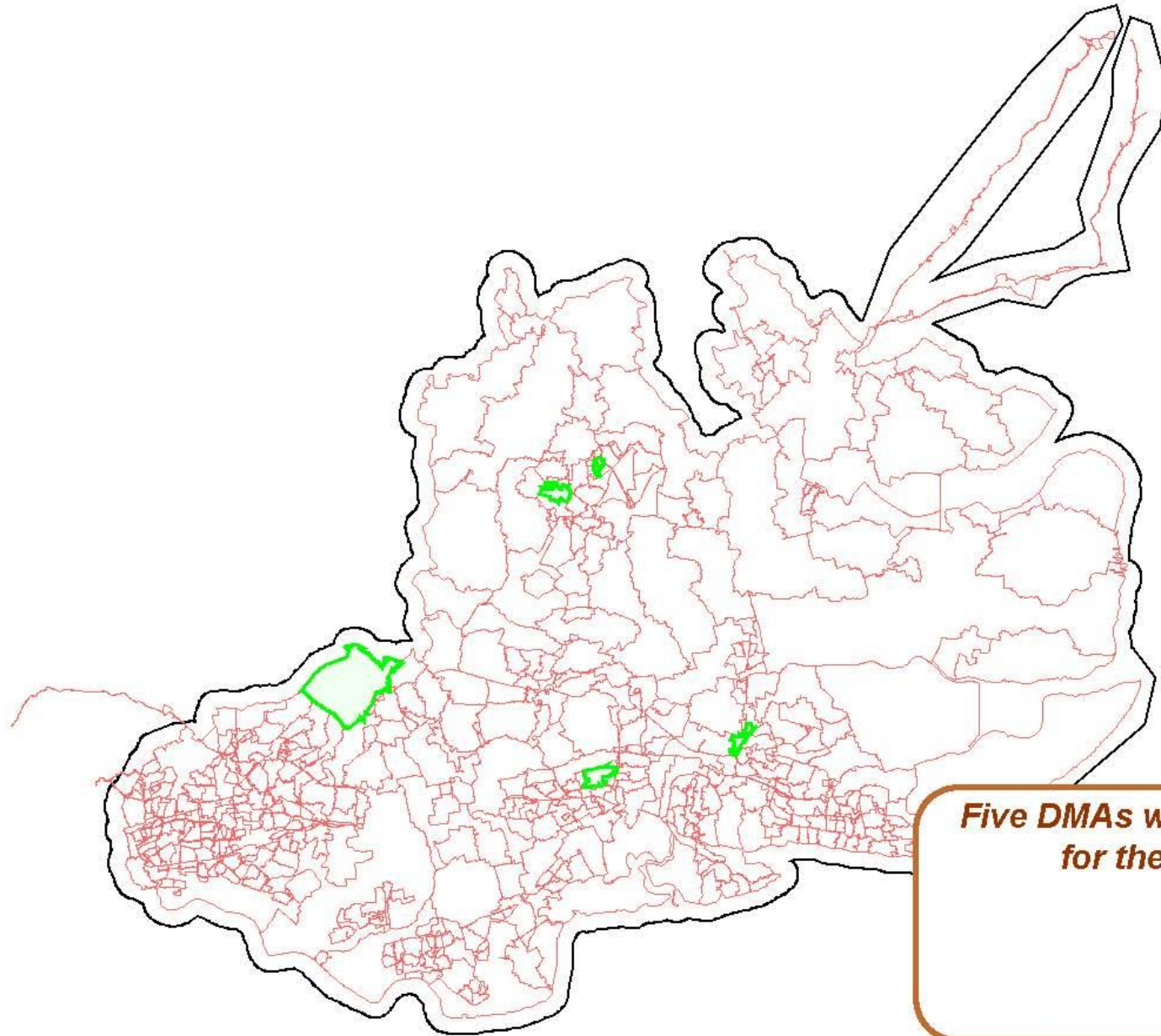
# Typical DMA Layout





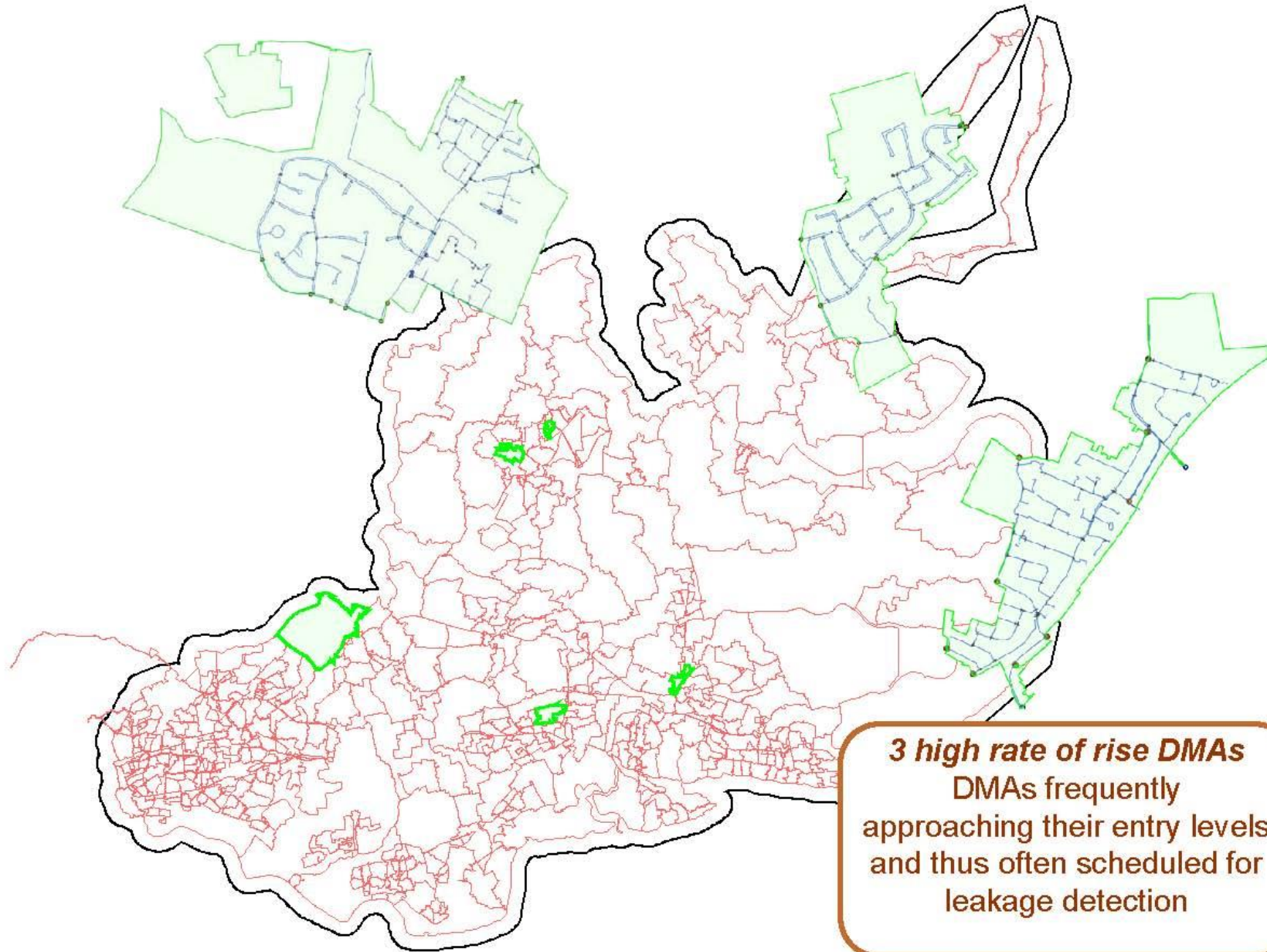


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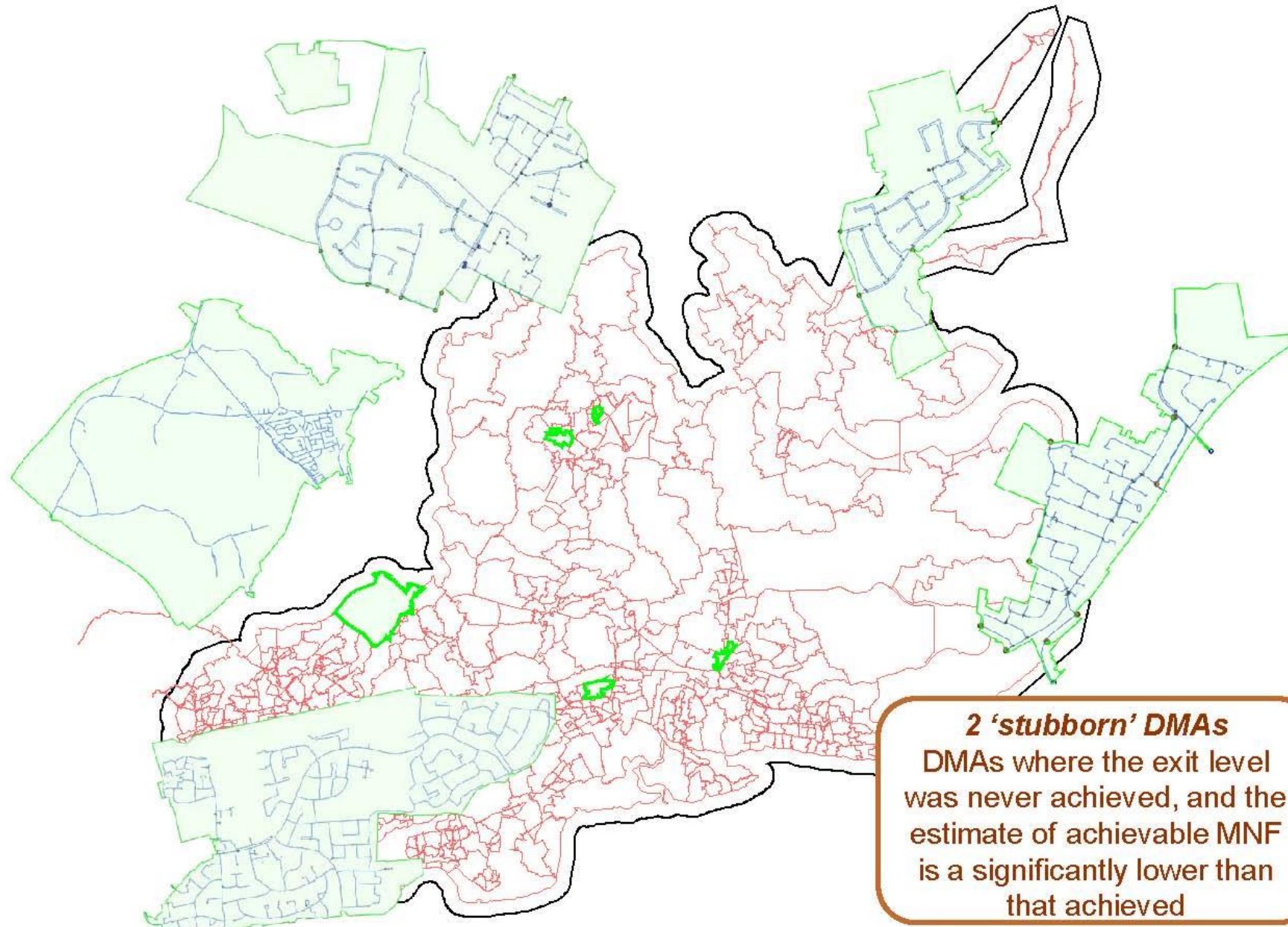
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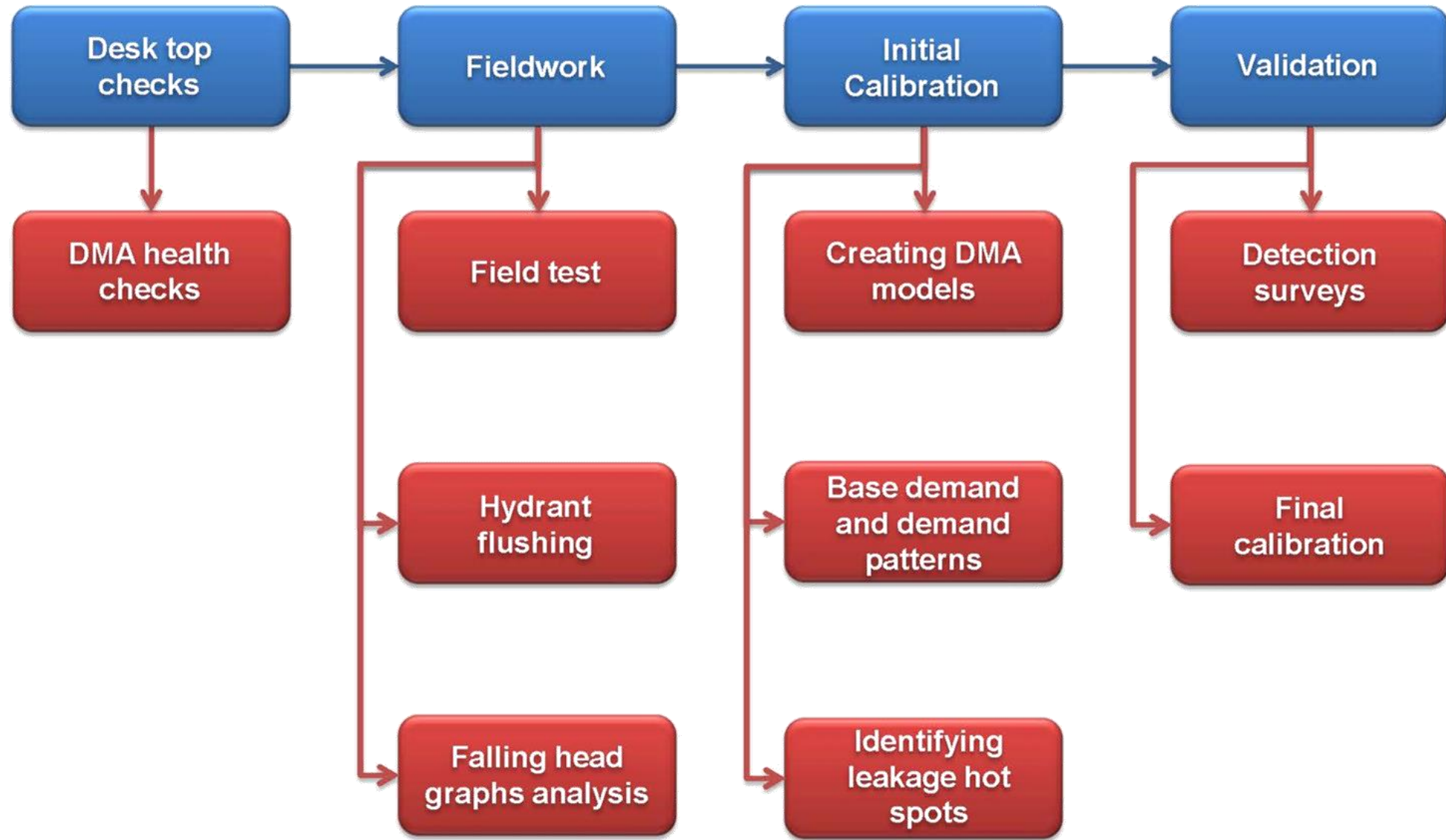
**3 high rate of rise DMAs**  
DMAs frequently approaching their entry levels and thus often scheduled for leakage detection



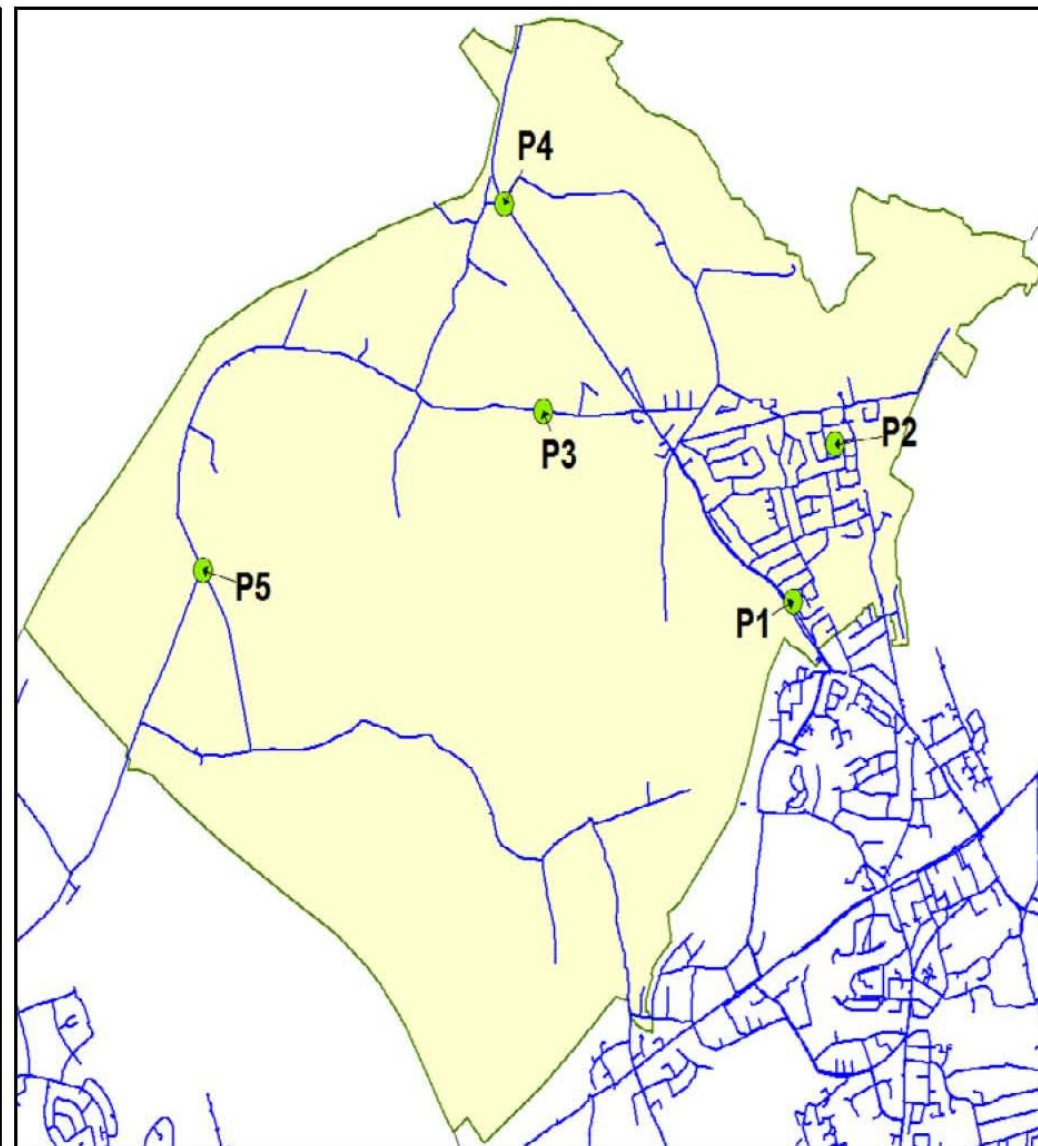
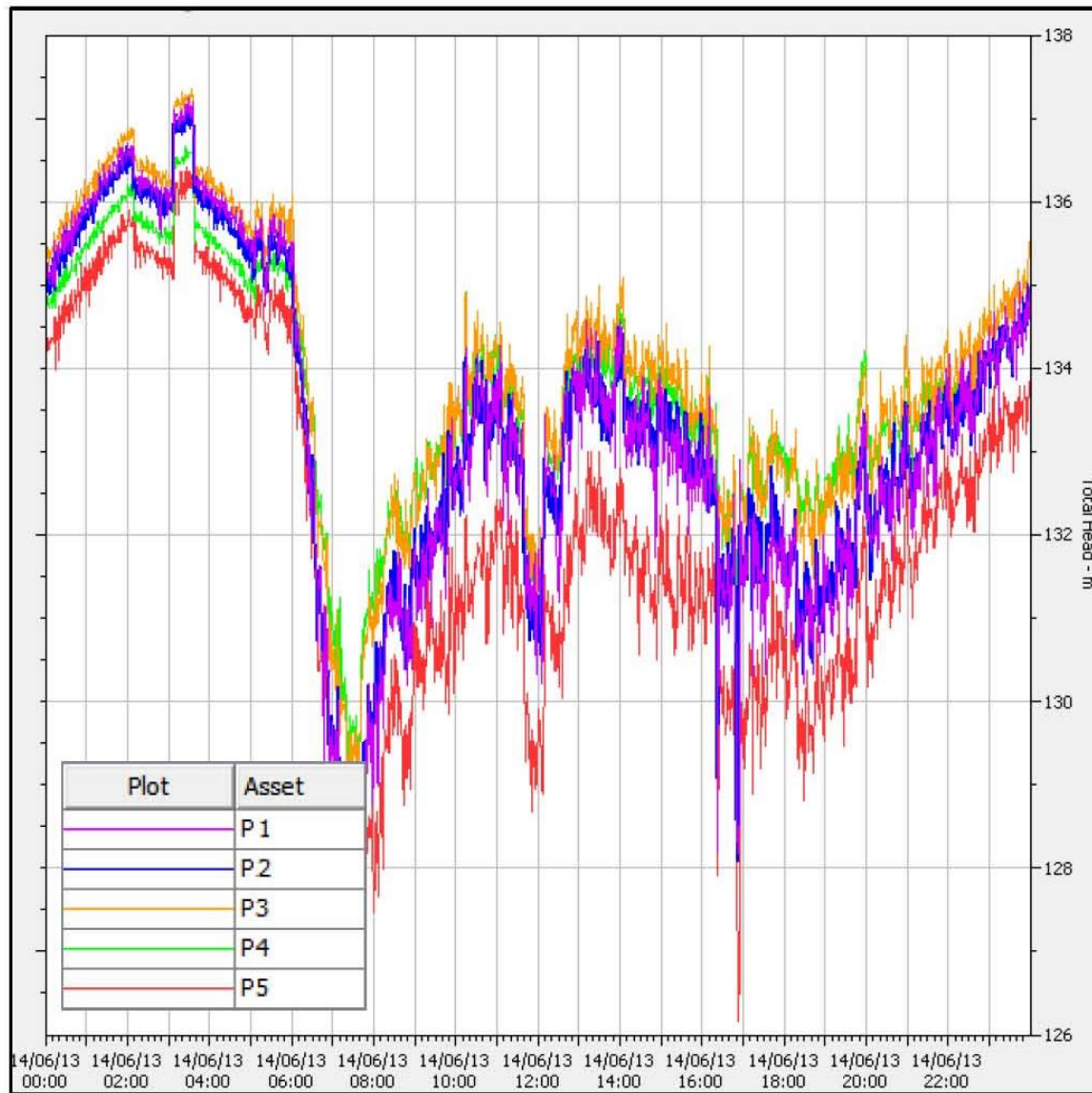


**2 'stubborn' DMAs**  
DMAs where the exit level was never achieved, and the estimate of achievable MNF is a significantly lower than that achieved

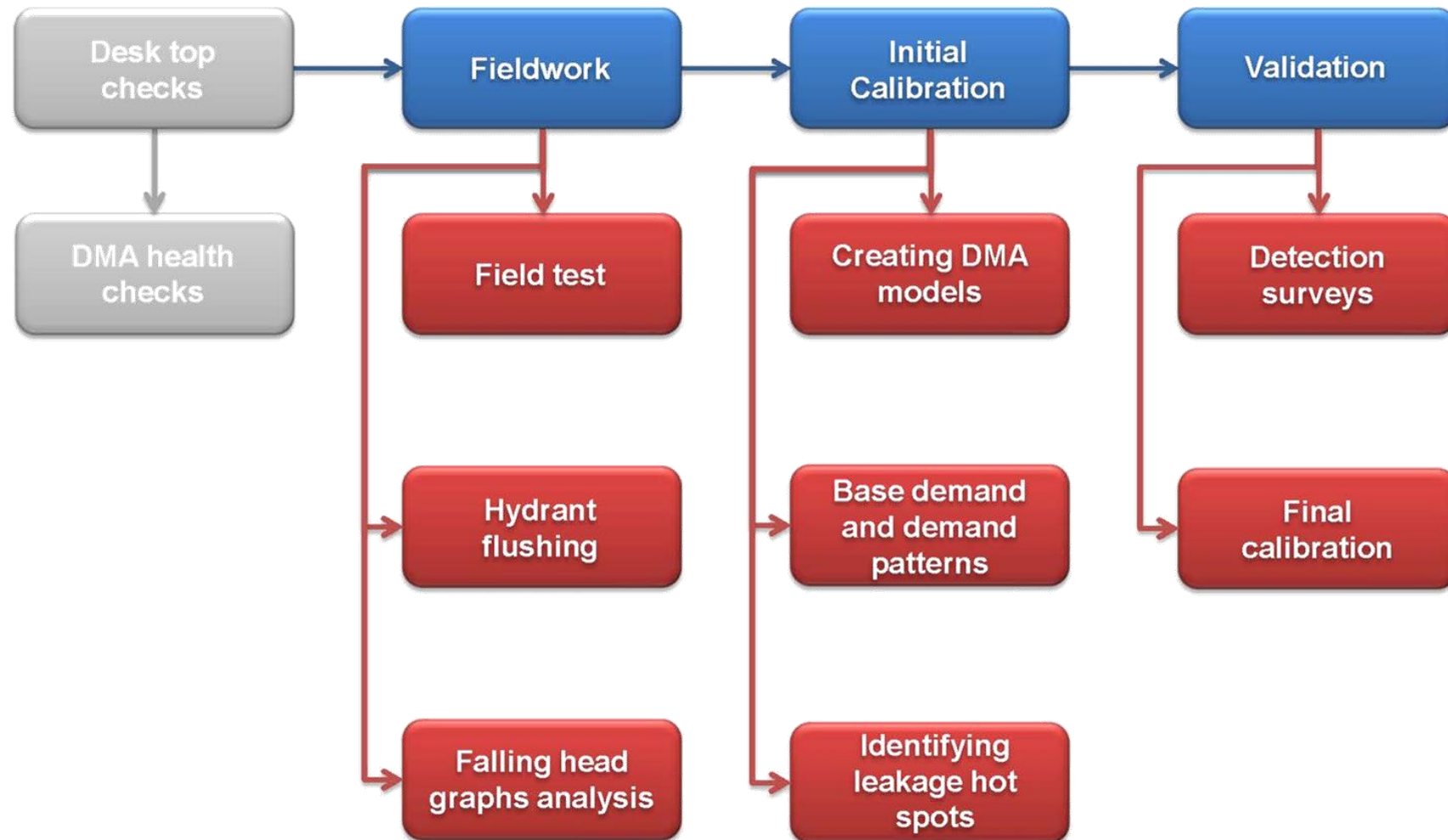
# Modelling & Calibration

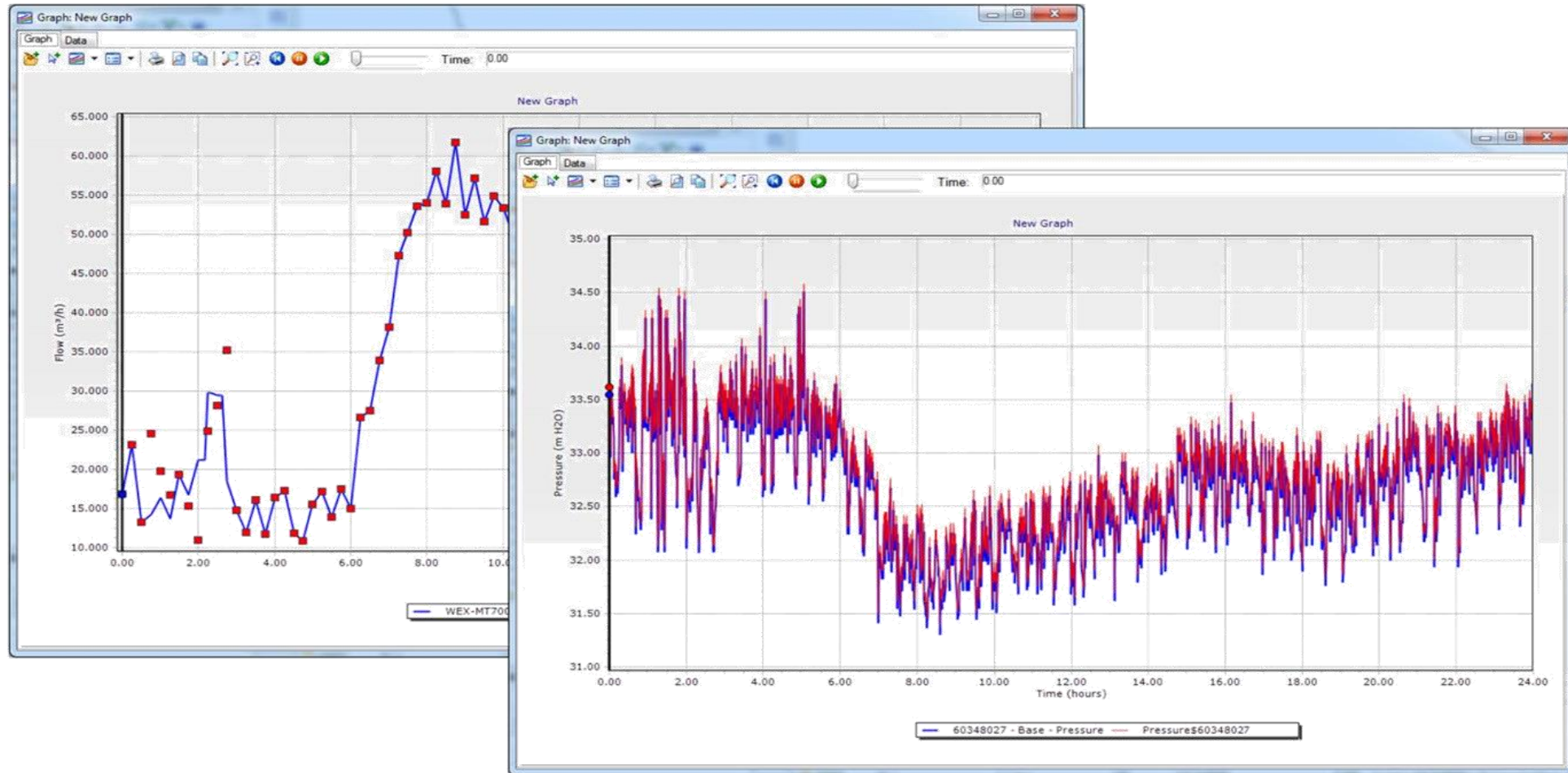




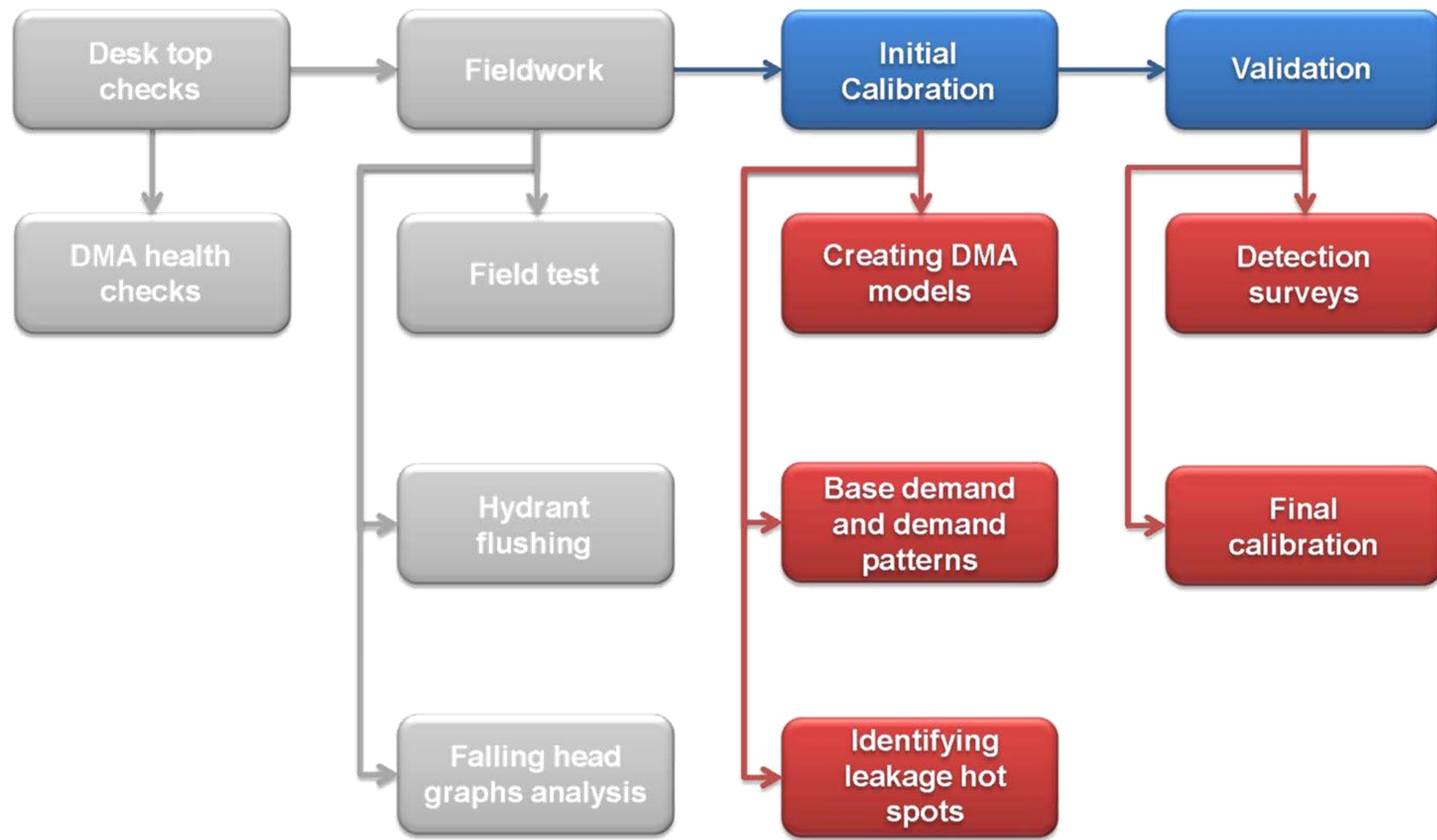








Comparison graphs, like the ones above were created for each analysed DMA.





Darwin Calibrator (DMA W8 final.wtg)

Field Data Snapshots Roughness Groups Demand Groups Status Elements Calibration Criteria Notes

Representative Scenario: No Leakage

Label Date Time

All Snapshots (S2Time1 S2Time2 S2Time3 S2Time4)

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Roughness Demand Status Field Data Options Notes

Snapshot Run 1 Snapshot Run 2 New Optimized Run - 3 New Optimized Run - 4

Solutions Solution 1 Solution 2 Solution 3 Solution 4

Options

Fitness Tolerance: 0.001 Reset

Maximum Trials:

Non-Improvement Gen:

Solutions to Keep:

Leakage Detection Pa:

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Solution Simulated Results

Snapshot Simulated Results Browser

Attribute Snapshot Hydraulic Grade RMSE

Adjustment Results

| Adjustment Group Type | Adjustment Group        | Demand Adjustment Factor | Emitter Coefficient (L/s/(m H2O) <sup>n</sup> ) | Number of Leakage Nodes |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Demand                | 1 New Demand Group - 6  | (N/A)                    | (N/A)                                           | 1                       |
| Roughness             | 2 New Demand Group - 7  | (N/A)                    | (N/A)                                           | 0                       |
| Status                | 3 New Demand Group - 8  | (N/A)                    | (N/A)                                           | 1                       |
|                       | 4 New Demand Group - 9  | (N/A)                    | (N/A)                                           | 1                       |
|                       | 5 New Demand Group - 10 | (N/A)                    | (N/A)                                           | 4                       |

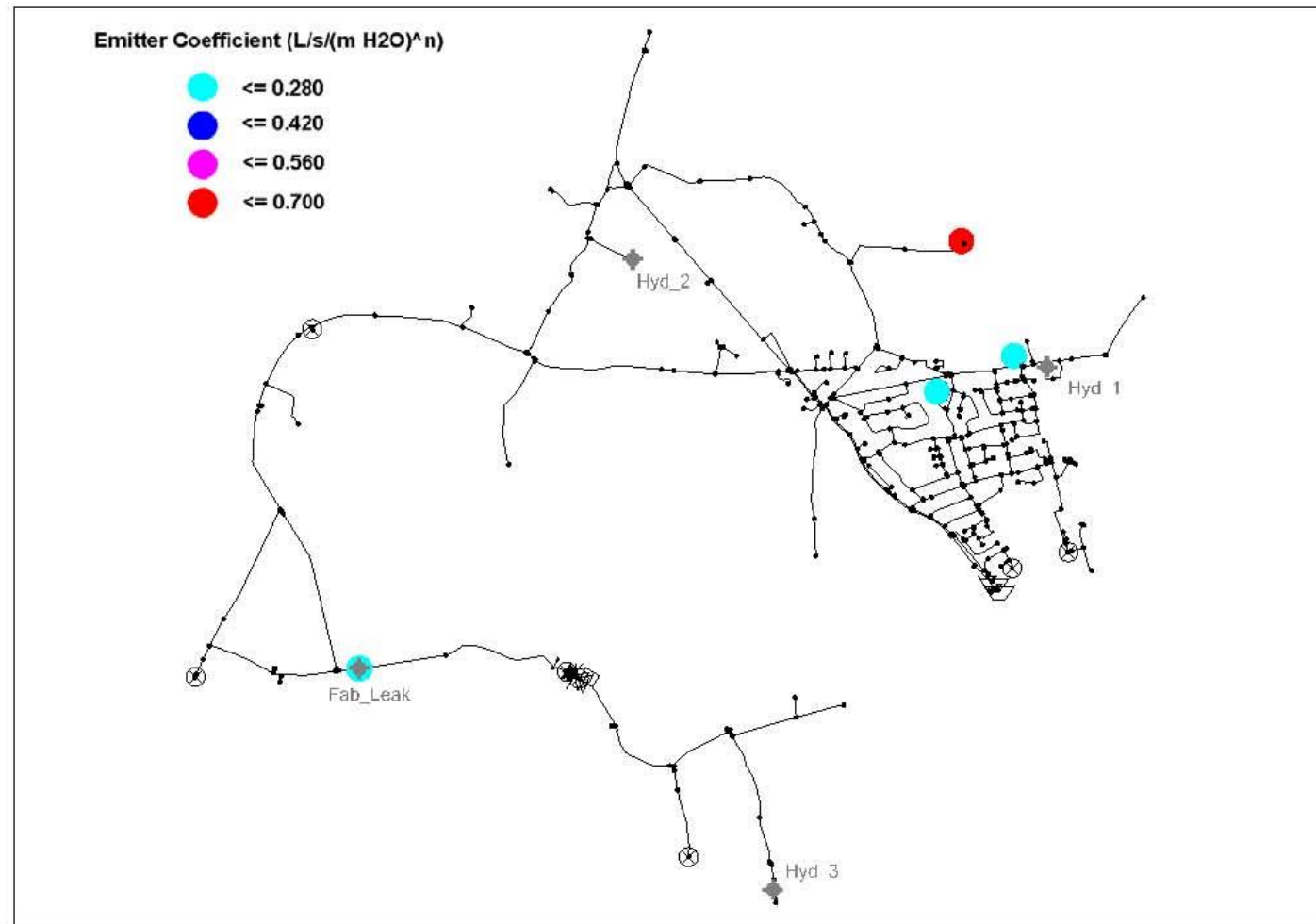
Adjustment Groups

| Node        | Original Demand (m³/h) | Adjusted Demand (m³/h) | Original Emitter Coefficient (L/s/(m H2O) <sup>n</sup> ) | Adjusted Emitter Coefficient (L/s/(m H2O) <sup>n</sup> ) |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 FL4083    | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.200                                                    |
| 2 FL4367    | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 3 FL3750    | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.200                                                    |
| 4 FL4250    | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.200                                                    |
| 5 53326357  | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 6 53326358  | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 7 53329306  | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 8 53329307  | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 9 53329308  | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 10 53329310 | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
| 11 53329311 | (N/A)                  | (N/A)                  | 0.000                                                    | 0.000                                                    |
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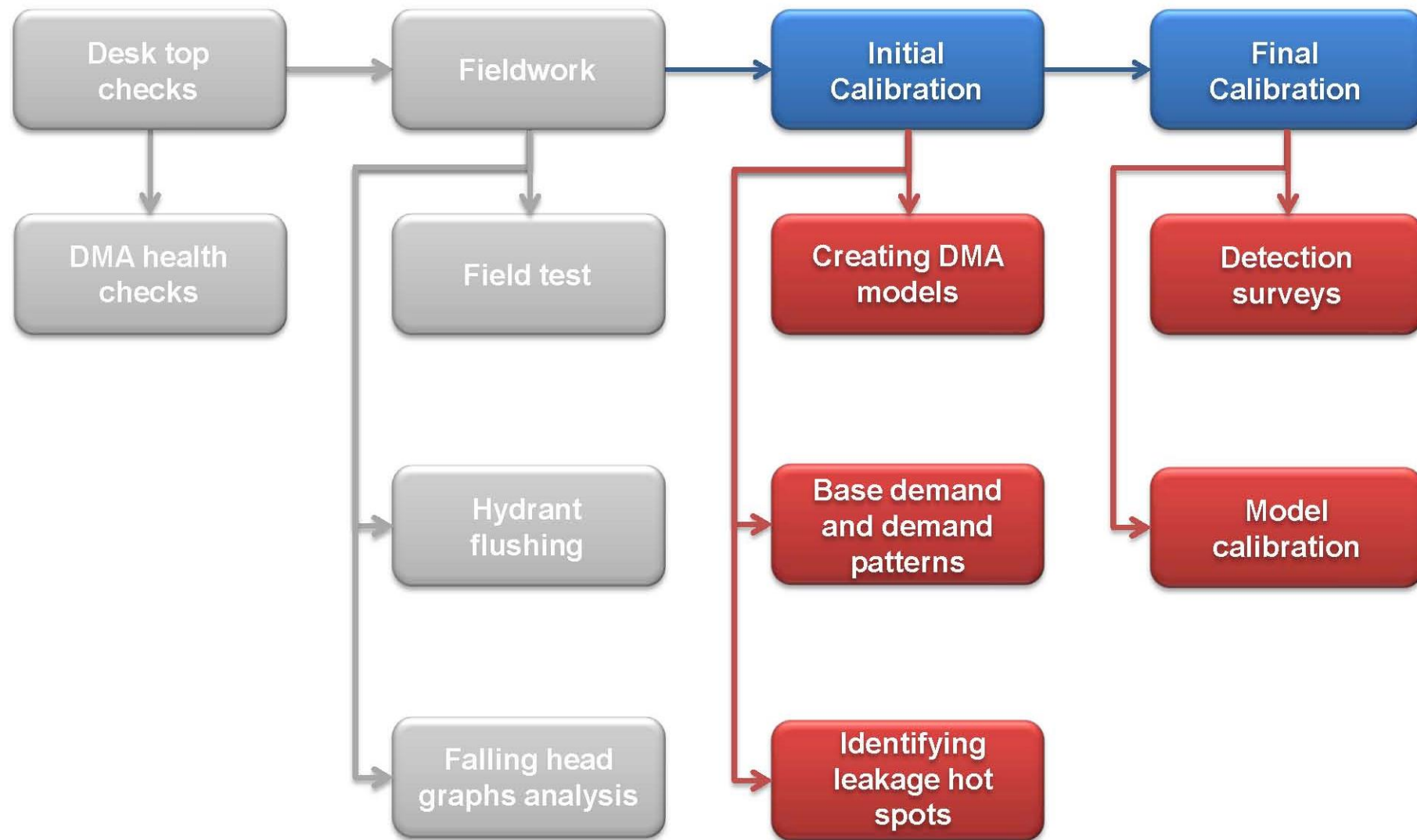
Simulated Hydraulic Grade (m) Difference (m)

|        |       |
|--------|-------|
| 134.39 | -0.21 |
| 135.69 | -1.56 |
| 134.92 | 0.15  |
| 135.69 | -0.05 |
| 135.96 | 0.18  |
| 135.90 | 0.24  |
| 135.84 | 0.16  |
| 135.21 | -1.23 |
| 135.21 | 0.56  |
| 132.17 | -0.35 |
| 135.82 | -0.15 |
| 135.70 | -0.13 |





The plot shows the identified leakage emitters. All emitters are in the vicinity of the detected leaks.

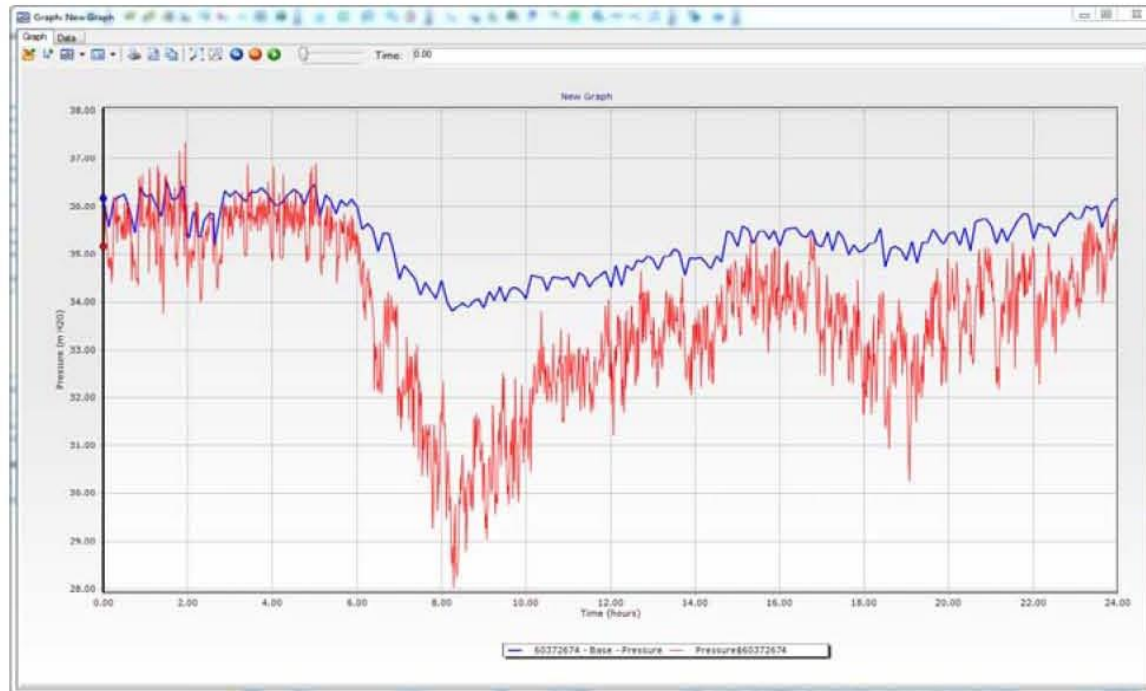


# Outcomes

| DMA         | DMA Type                                          | Number of leaks identified | Number of closed valves identified | Results of field investigations                                                                    |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>DMA1</b> | High Rate of Rise                                 | 3                          | 12                                 | No leaks or closed valves confirmed.<br>Software bug found on closed valve analysis.               |
| <b>DMA2</b> | High Rate of Rise                                 | 4                          | 2                                  | One leak confirmed; one not confirmed; two unable to investigate.<br>Both closed valves confirmed. |
| <b>DMA3</b> | High Rate of Rise                                 | 4                          | 2                                  | Three leaks confirmed; one not confirmed.<br>No valves found closed.                               |
| <b>DMA4</b> | High Rate of Rise                                 | 3                          | 1                                  | All leaks confirmed (5 leaks found).<br>Valve not found closed.                                    |
| <b>DMA5</b> | Boundary valve found open. Analysis not possible. |                            |                                    |                                                                                                    |



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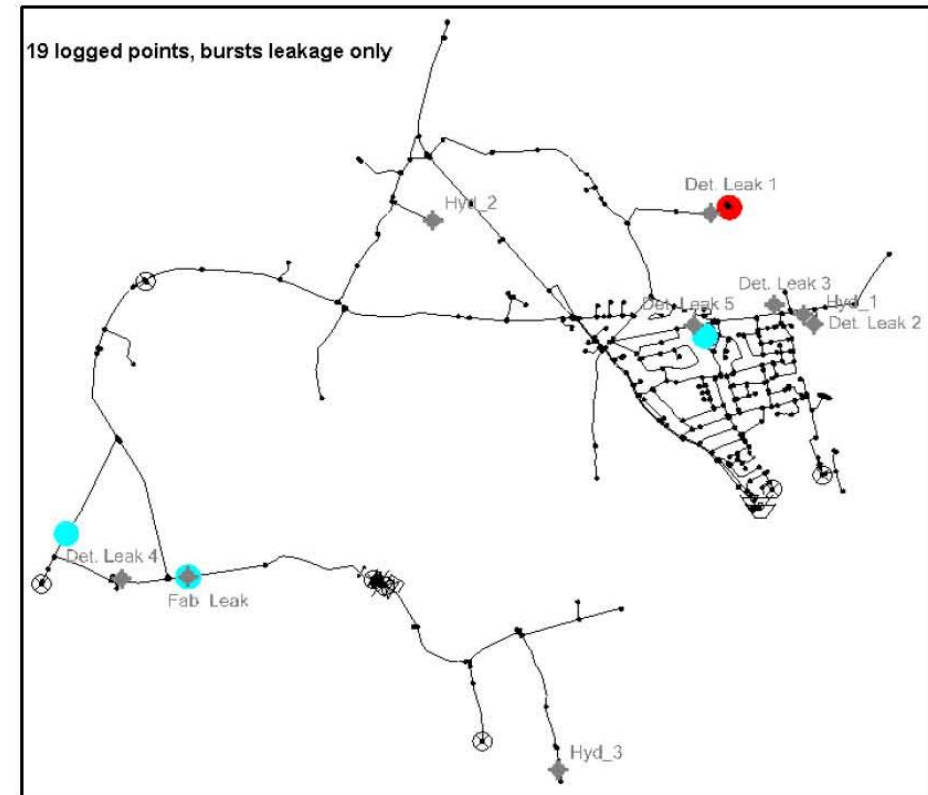
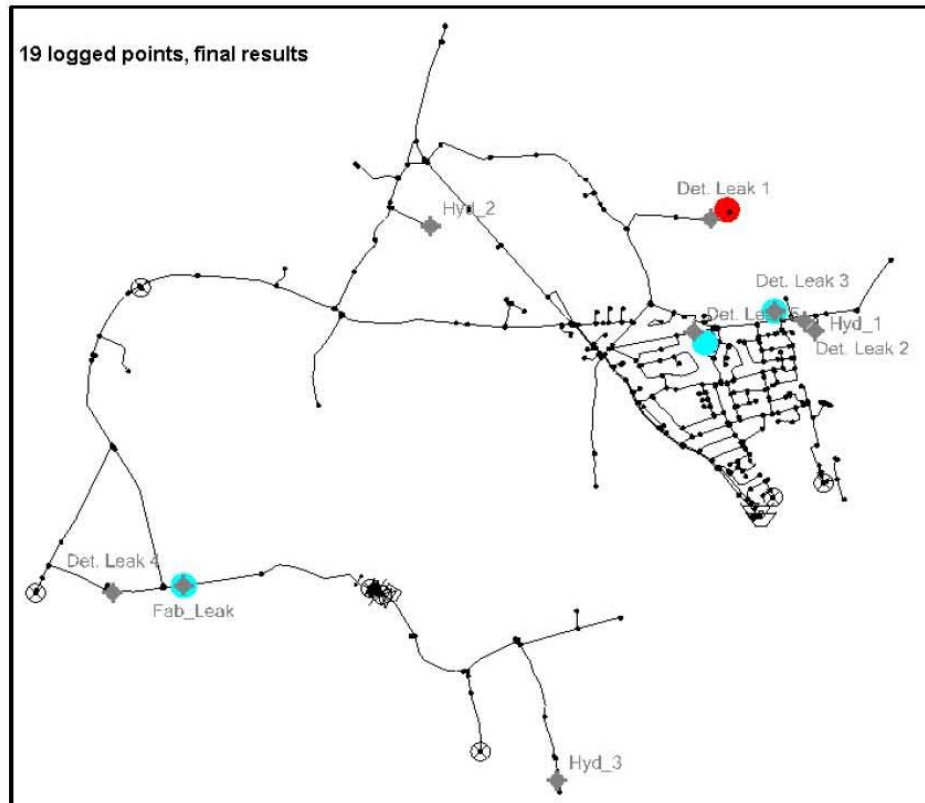
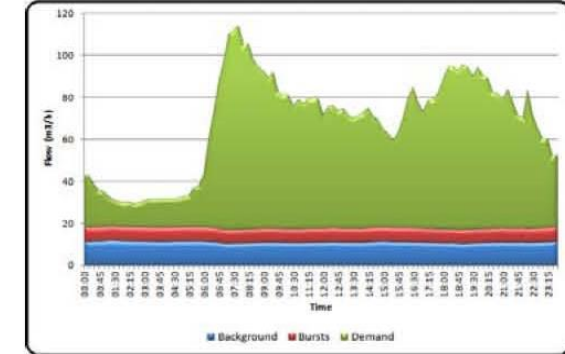
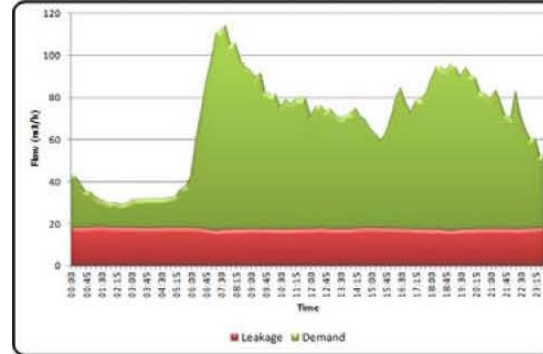


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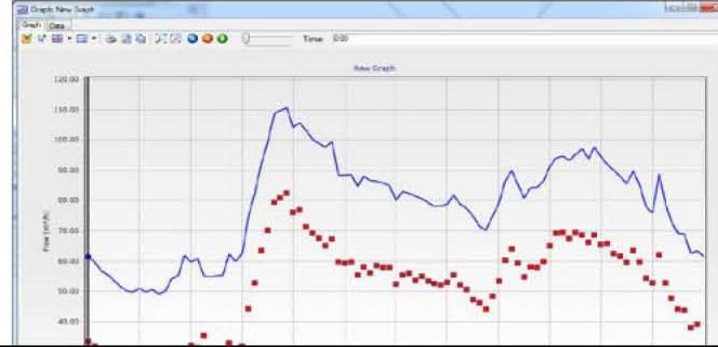
# Splitting Leakage into Bursts and Background

Emitter Coefficient (L/s/(m H2O)<sup>n</sup>)

- ≤ 0.280
- ≤ 0.420
- ≤ 0.560
- ≤ 0.700



# Investigating difference between modelled and observed flow rates



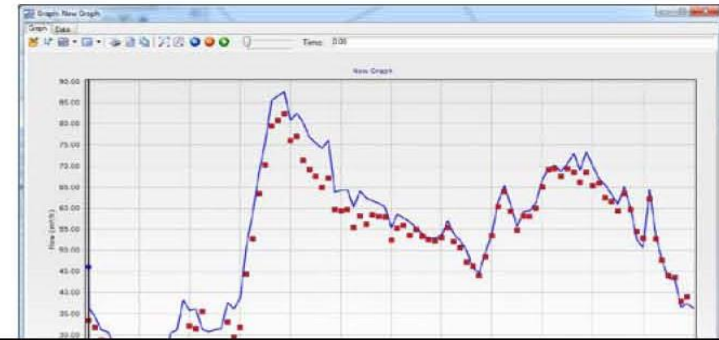
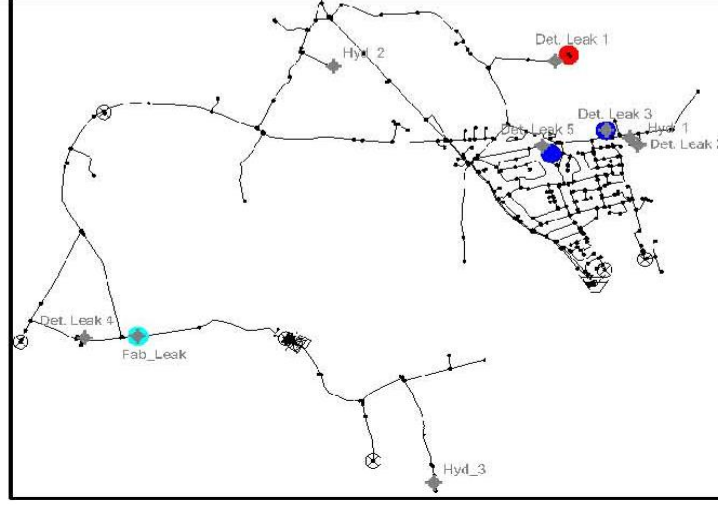
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Flow per Fitness Point:  m³/h

Flow Weight Type:



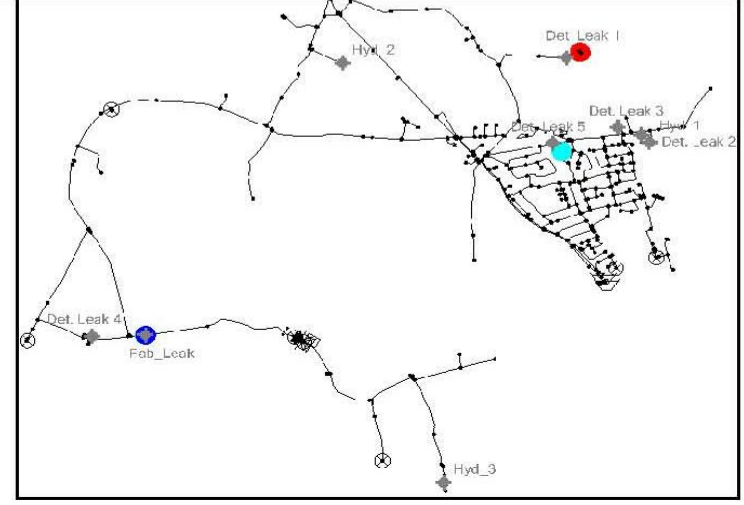
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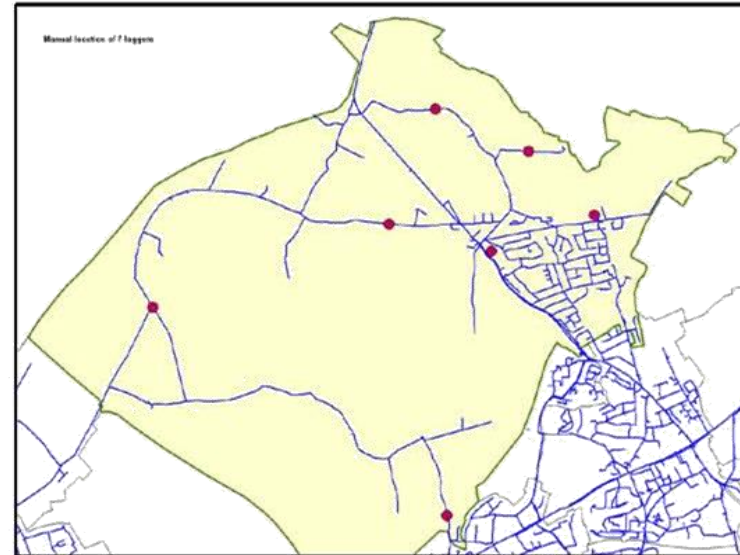
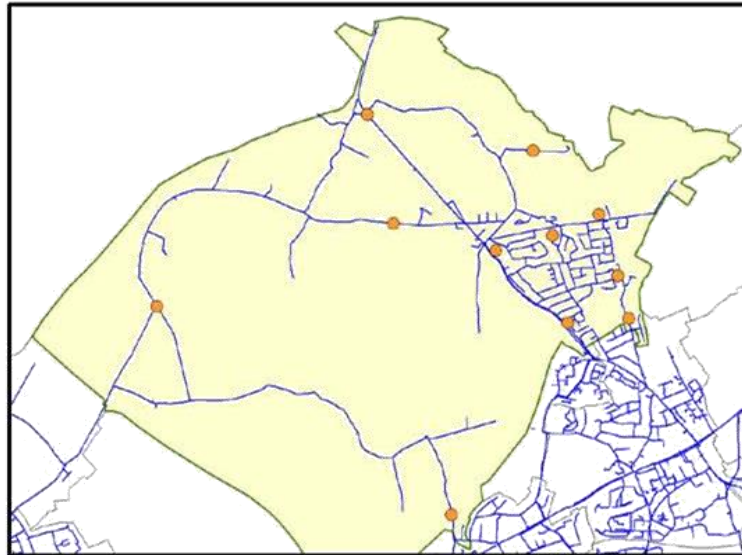
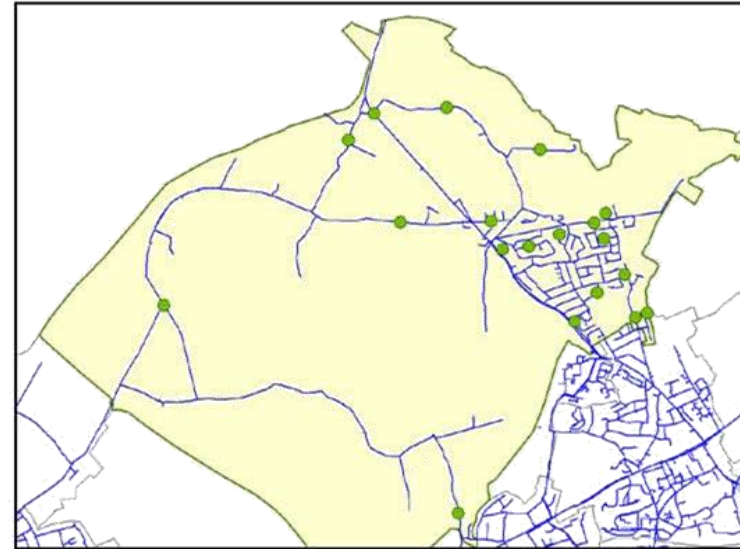
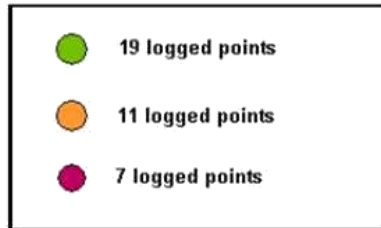
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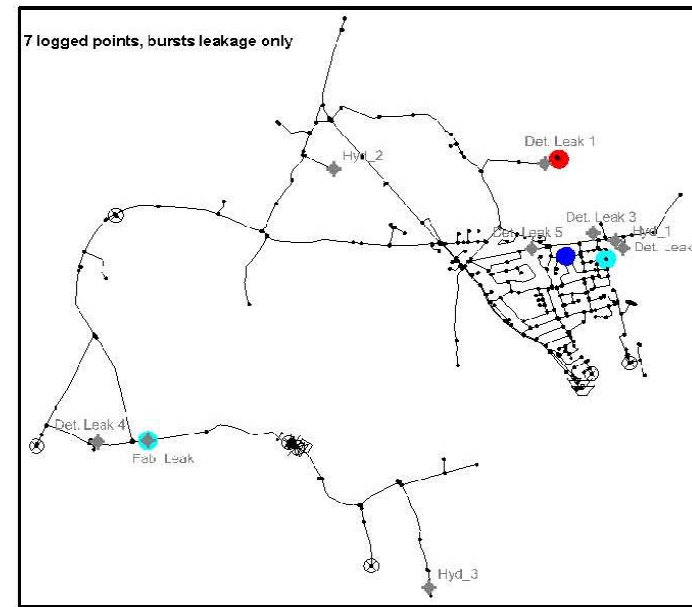
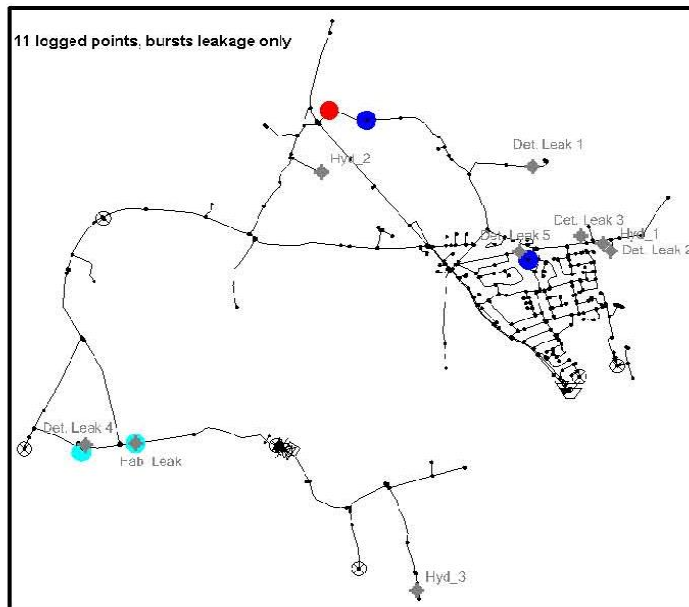
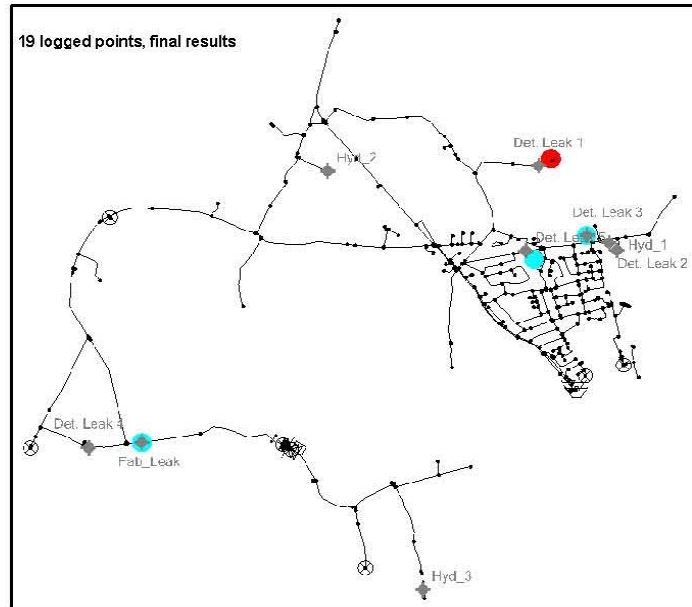
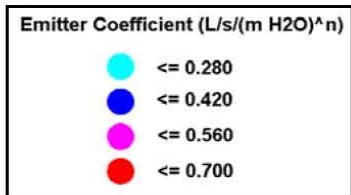




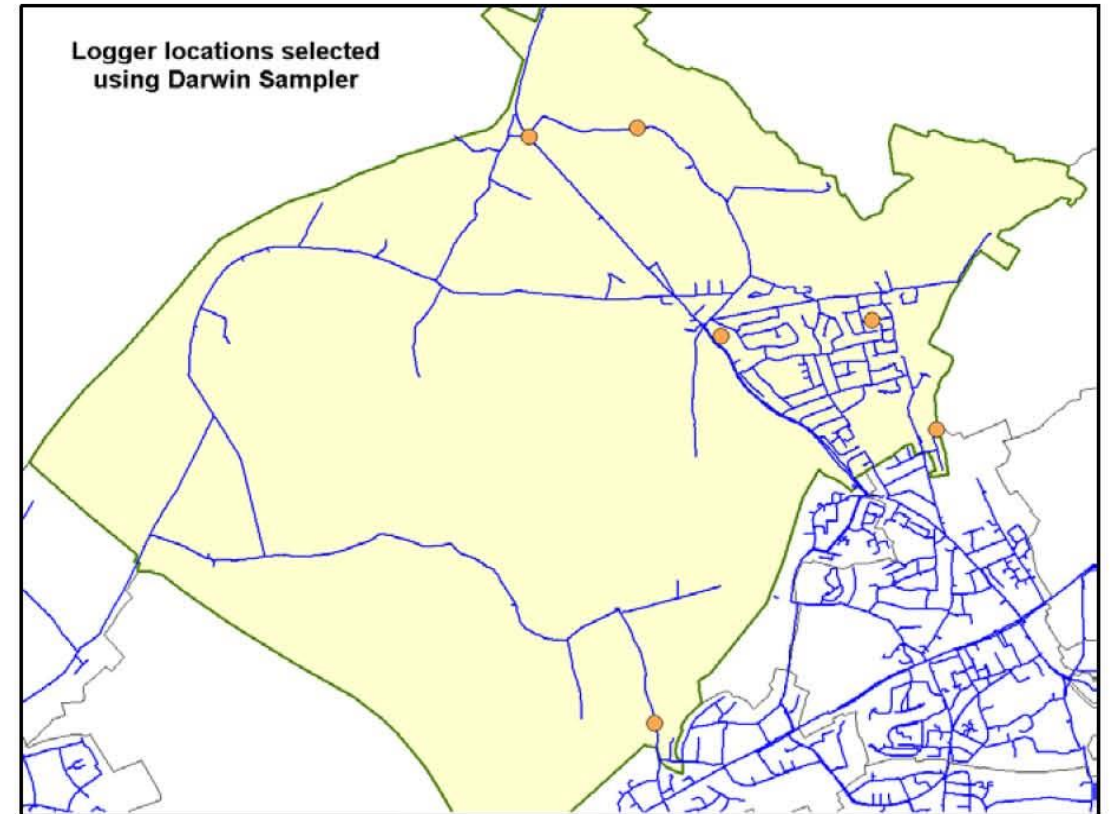
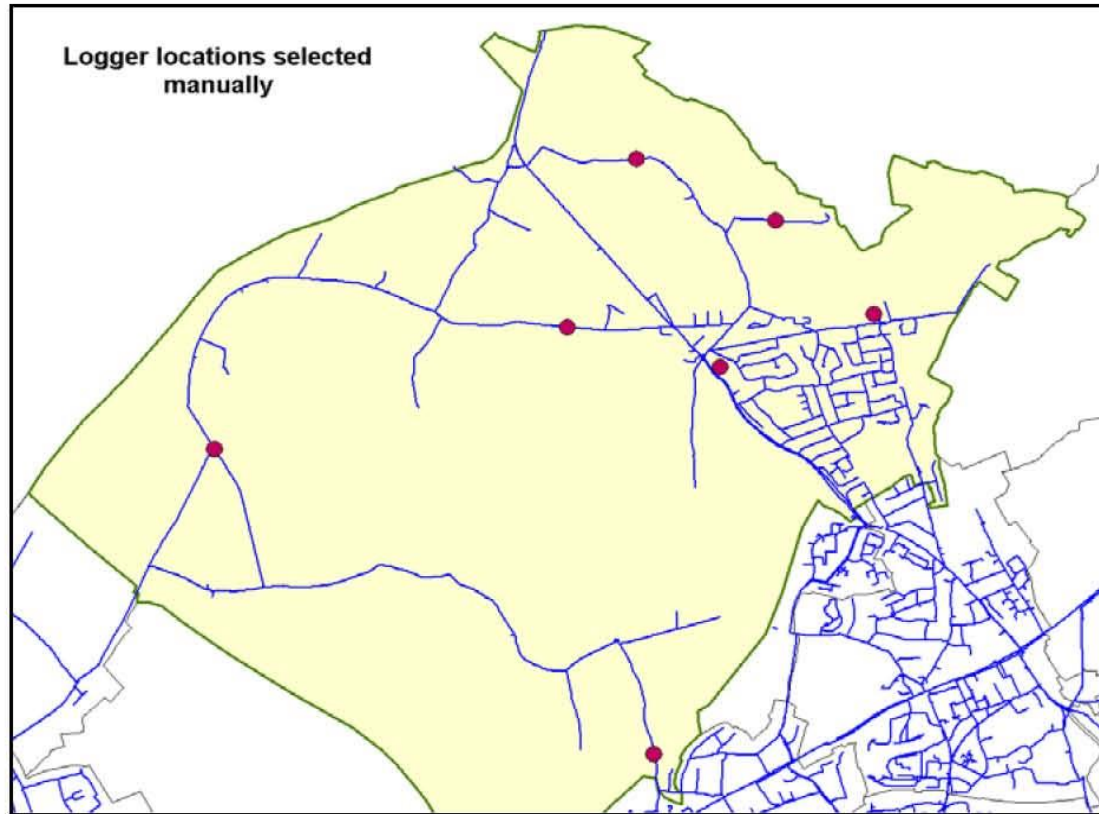
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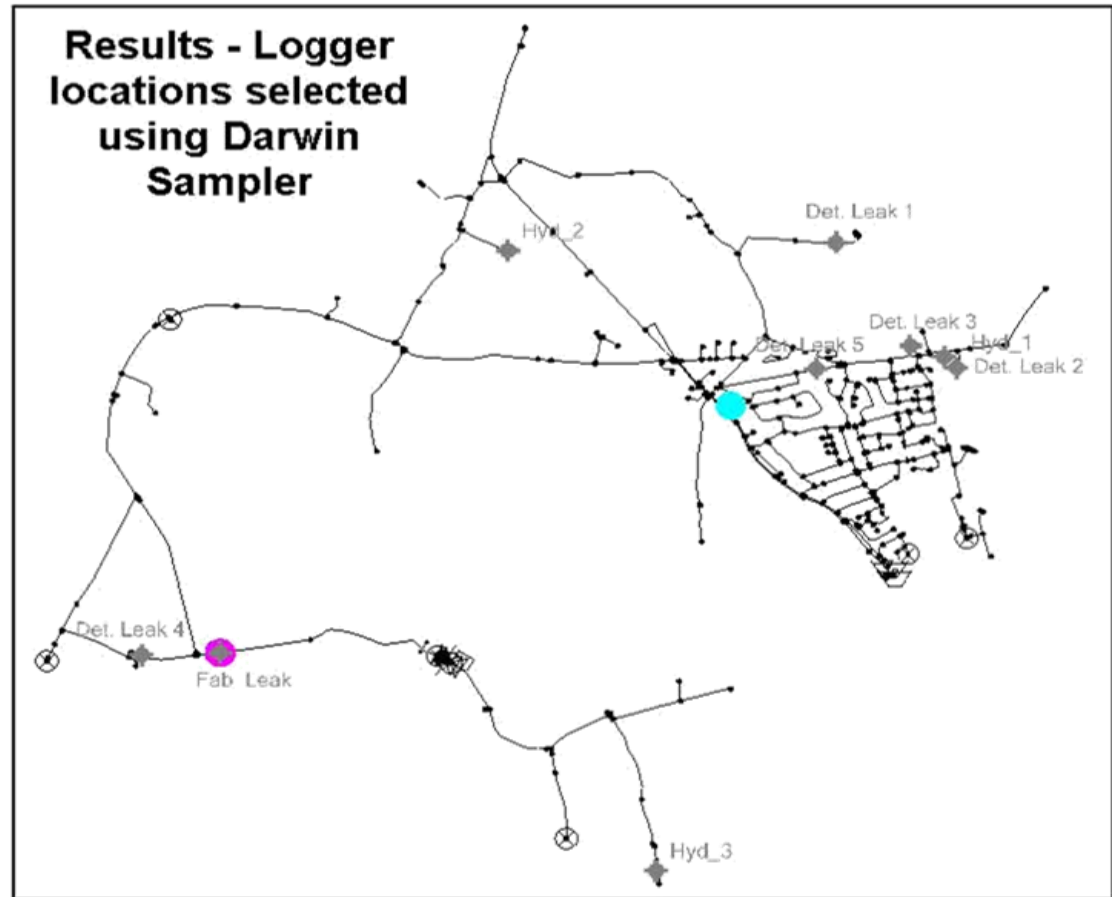
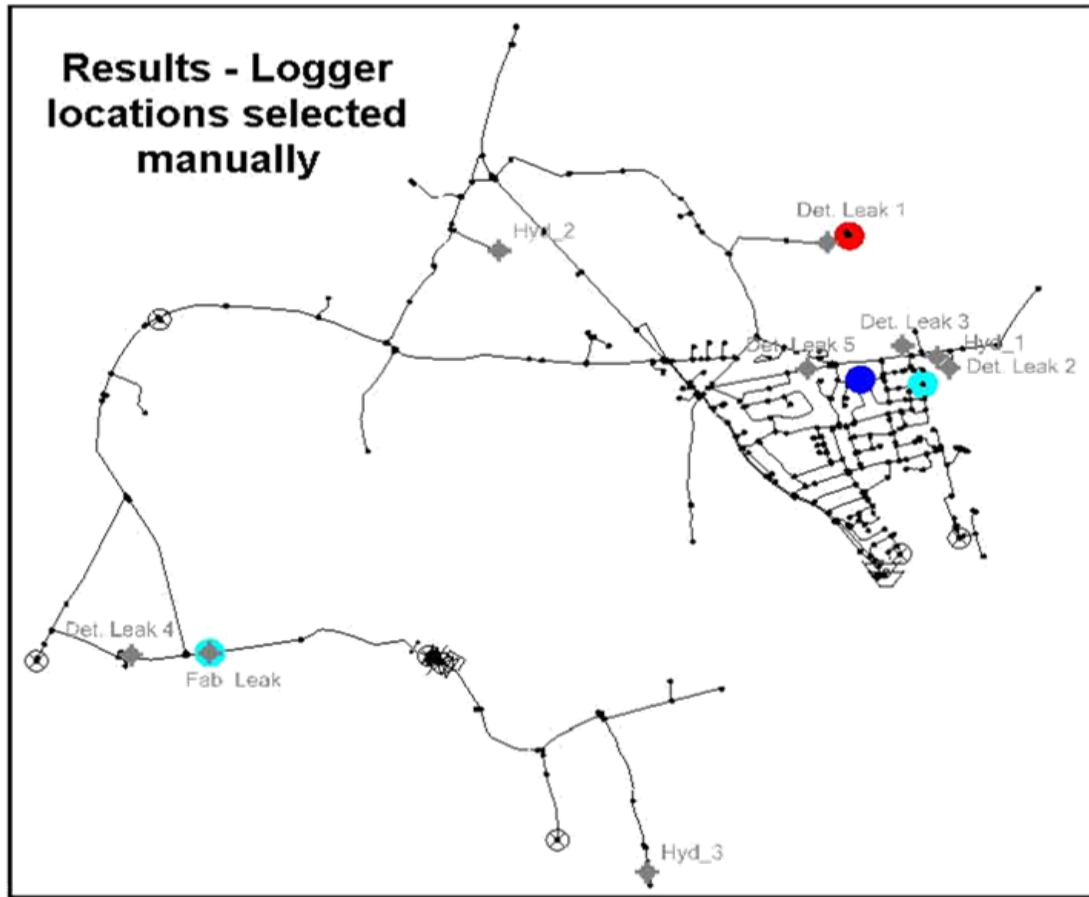


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# Darwin Calibrator

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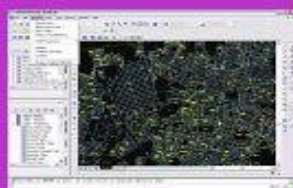
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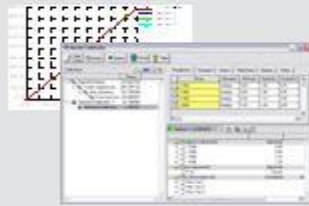
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Automated model calibration



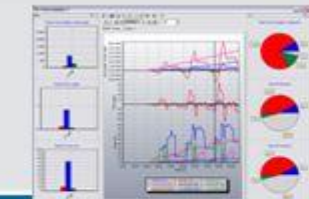
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Optimized and automated network design.



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# Background

- Darwin Calibrator is an optimisation module that uses genetic algorithms to calibrate hydraulic models of water distribution networks
- One of the operations available in this module is 'Detect Leakage Node', which enables pinpointing of potential leak locations
- The main purpose of this project was to gain a better understanding of the practical processes involved in using hydraulic models in a dynamic way for the purposes of localising bursts for detection teams to target
- In addition, the project identified potentially closed valves and investigated the optimum number of pressure loggers required

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# Darwin Designer

## Automated design

Evaluate thousands of design and rehabilitation alternatives that meet your hydraulic constraints, maximizing hydraulic performance and savings to your Capital Investment Program (CIP).



1. Enter design requirements (Max./Min. pressures & velocities)
2. Assign cost tables or functions
3. Determine optimization objective (Cost, benefit or trade-of)
4. Let Darwin find thousands of valid design solutions
5. Choose an optimum solution for implementation

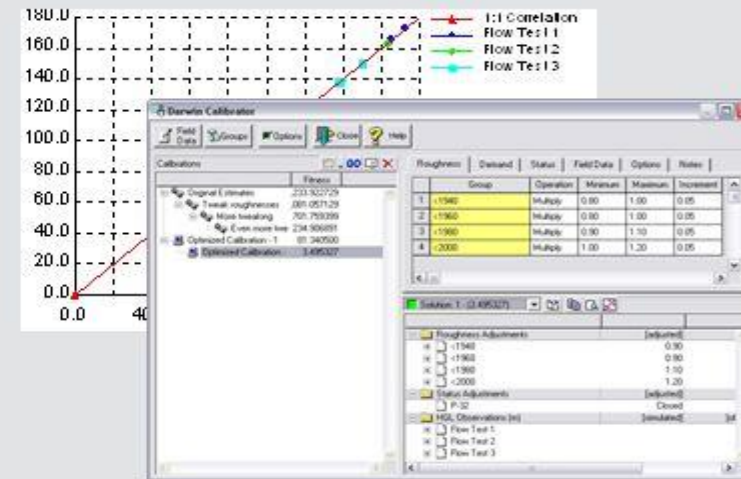




# Darwin Calibrator

## Automated calibration

Streamline the time-consuming model calibration process and make sure your decisions are based on a model that truly reflects the real world.



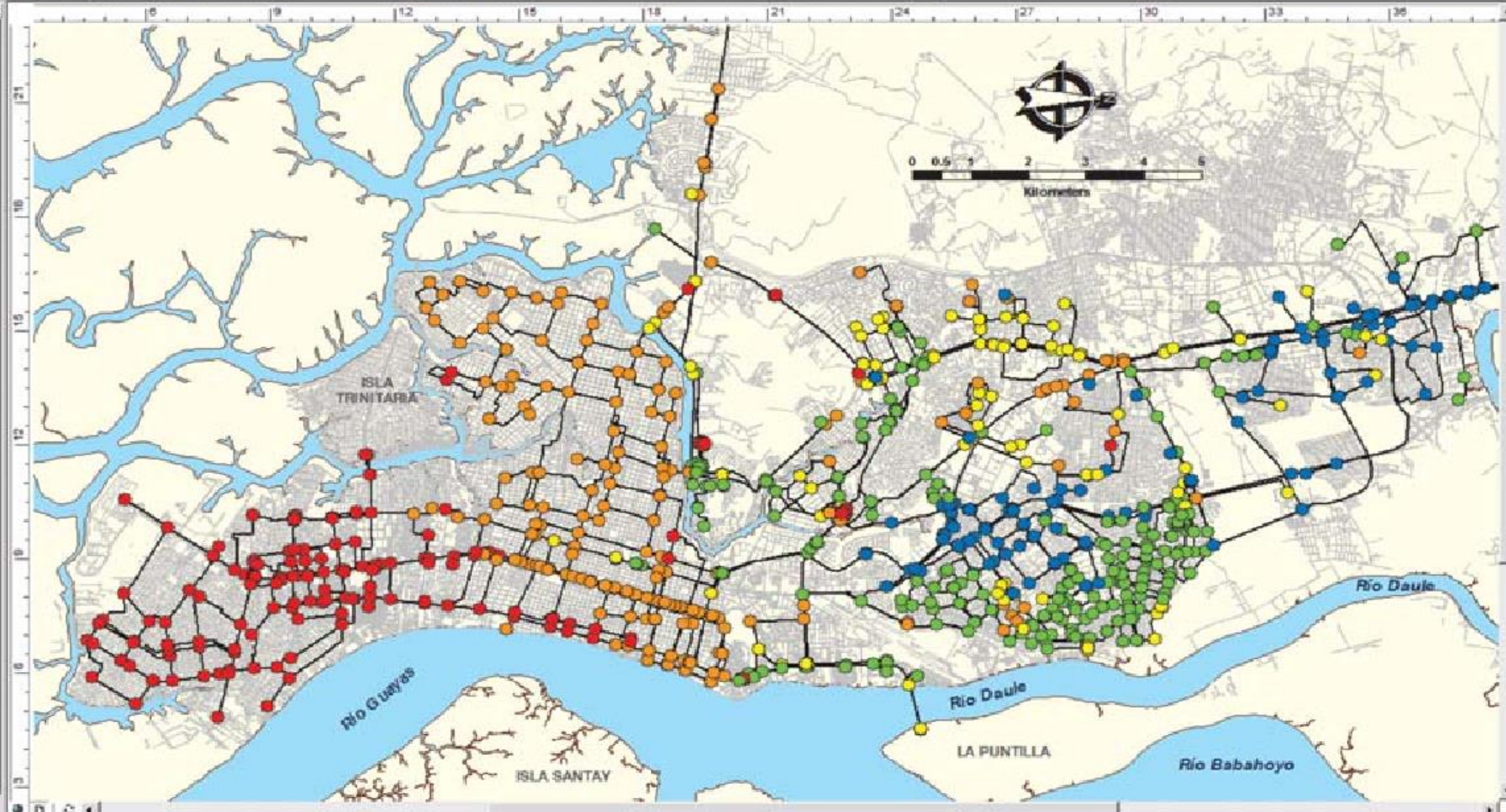
1. Enter multiple **field measurements** for calibration
2. Let Darwin generate **millions of possible solutions**
3. Create a **calibrated model** using optimum values for pipe roughness, junction demands and element status





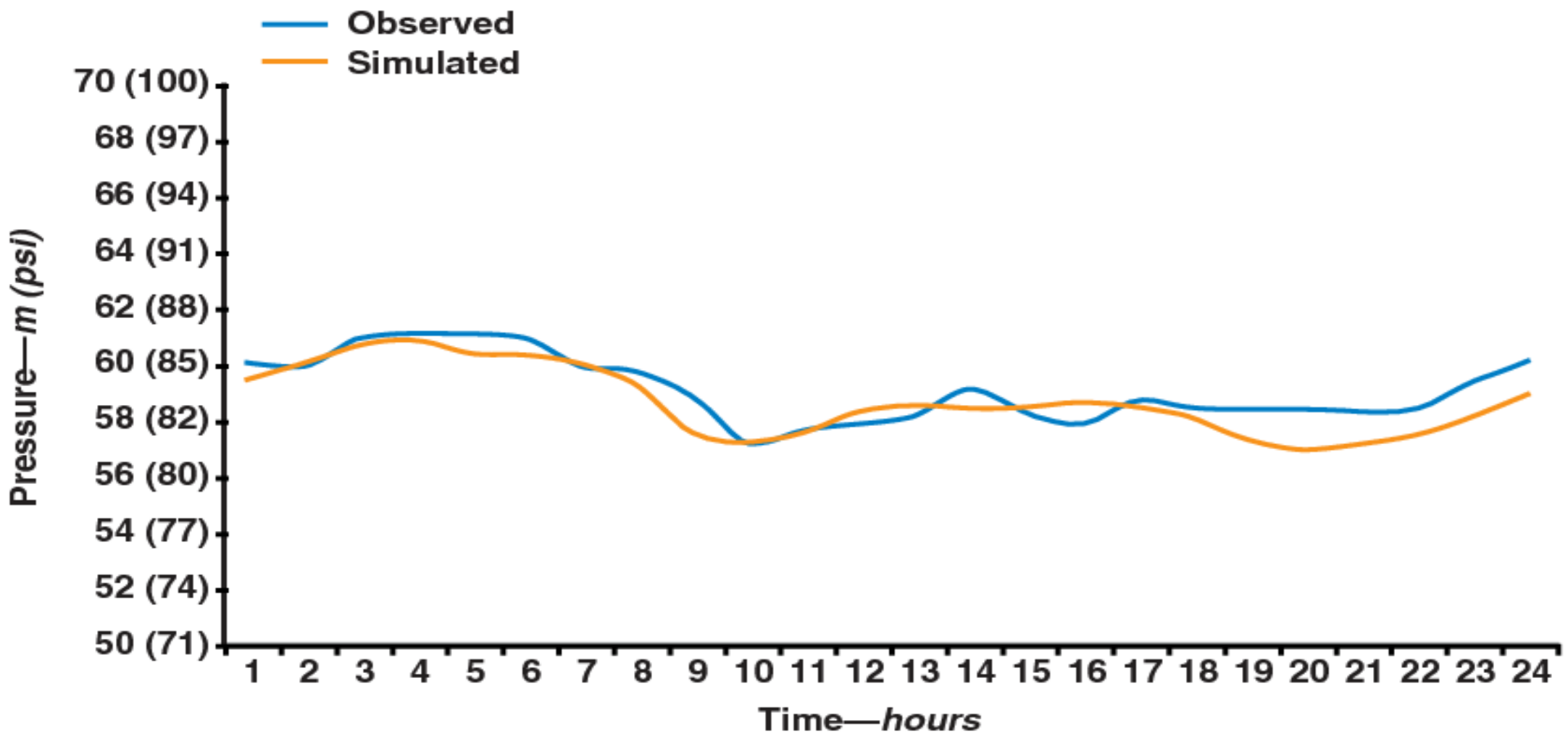
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  - ☒ Junctions\_86147
    - Pressure
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    - 5-10 (m H<sub>2</sub>O)
    - 10-30 (m H<sub>2</sub>O)
    - 30-50 (m H<sub>2</sub>O)
    - > 50 (m H<sub>2</sub>O)
  - ☒ Pipes\_86147
  - ☐ Tanks\_86147
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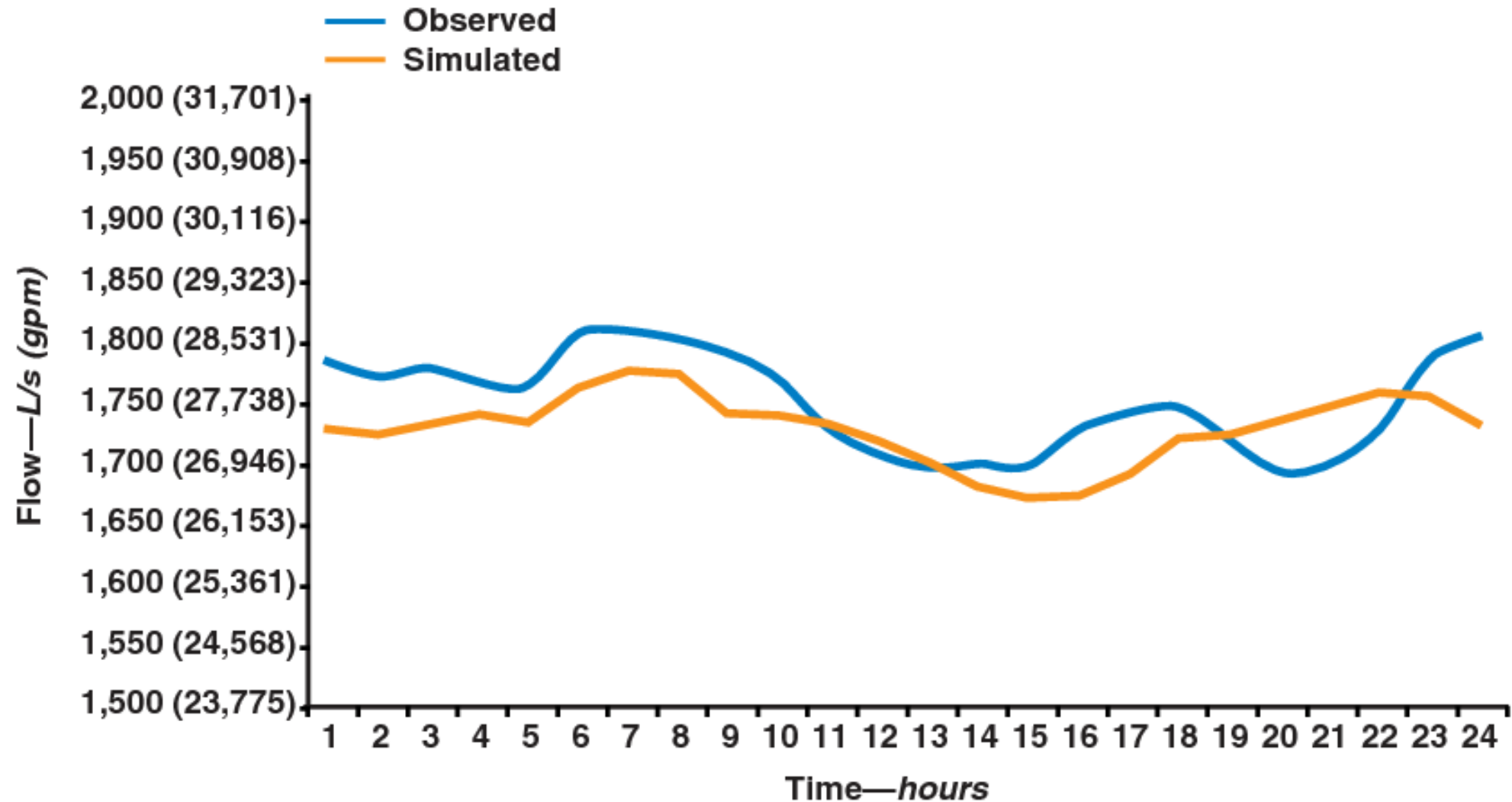
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**FIGURE 2** Darwin calibration illustration of comparison between the observed and simulated pressures over 24 hours

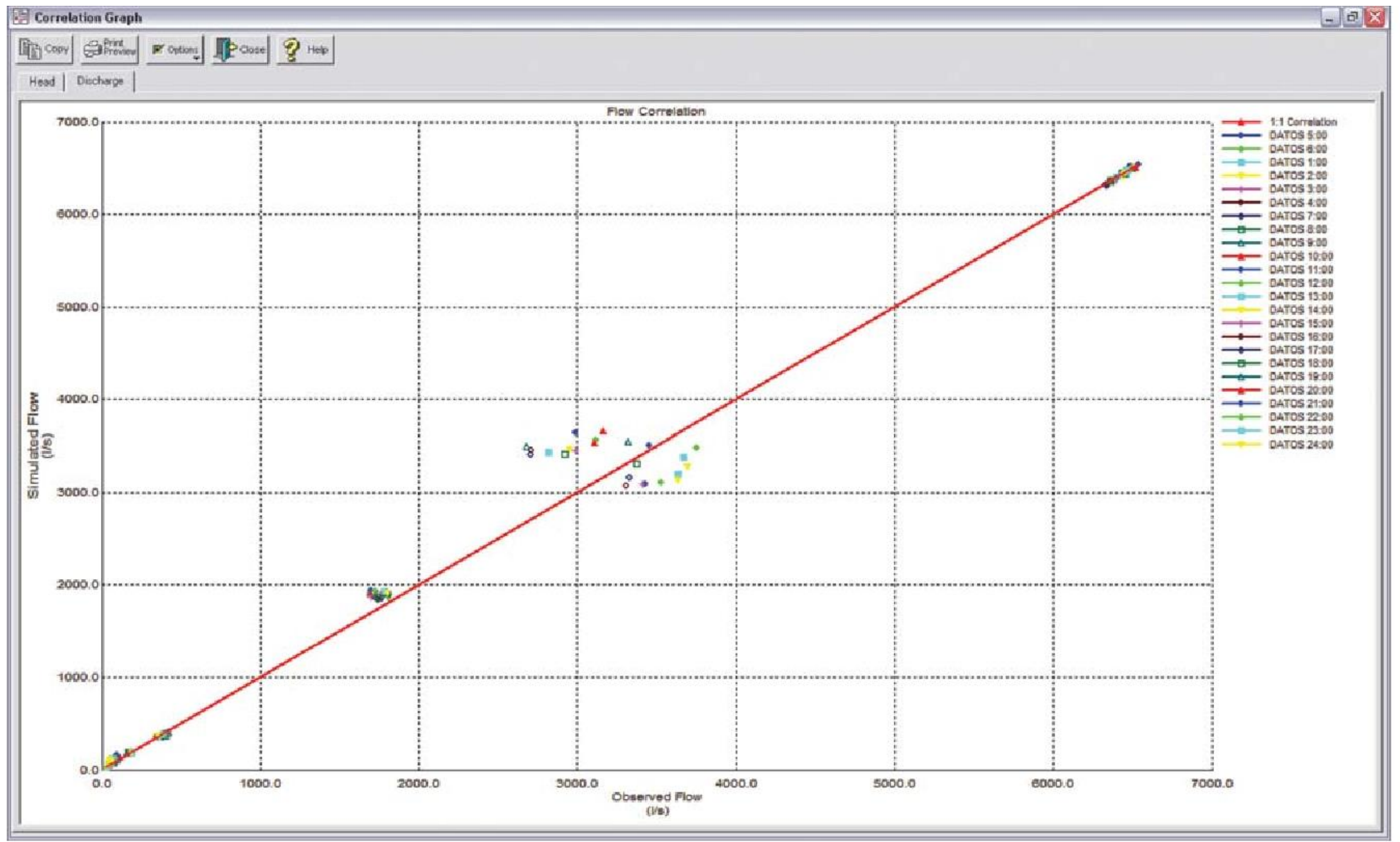




**FIGURE 3** Example of comparison between observed and simulated flows over 24 hours for a large-diameter pipe







# Conclusion and Lessons Learnt

- The robustness of the solutions obtained is highly dependent on the best possible definition of the network configuration (valve status) and its physical condition (i.e. pipe roughness)
- A refined approach to the night time demand allocation can also have a significant impact on the accuracy of the results
- Hydrant flushing should be arranged during the night time field tests to enhance hydraulic gradients through the network
- The location of the loggers should ensure an even coverage of the whole of the area
- High initial cost of work required and effort involved in bringing DMA models up to standard
- Risk and effort related to the flushing exercise that is essential
- Enhances the quality of final model calibration
- Found successful in locating 'hard to find' leaks on 'stubborn' DMAs
- Significant benefits to the location of unknown closed valves



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