



POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELLING USING WaterGEMS

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AGENDA



- Introduction



- Potable Water Distribution System Modeling



- Building and Preparing the Model



- Hydraulic Model Calibration



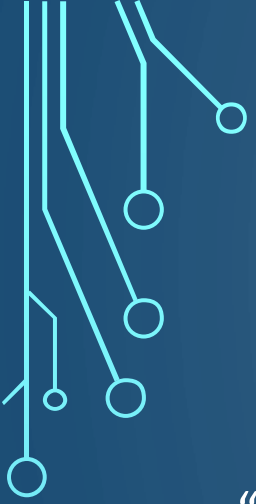
- Steady-State Simulation



- Extended-Period Simulation

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▶ INTRODUCTION

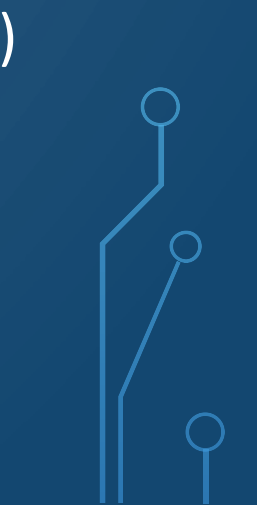


► INTRODUCTION

“All models are approximations. Essentially, **All Models Are Wrong**, but some are useful. However, the approximate nature of the model must always be borne in mind.”

George E. P. Box

One Of The Great Statistical Minds of The 20th Century

- A model is only as good as the data used to build it (garbage in garbage out)
 - Be aware of your sources and the accuracy of your data
 - Keeping your model up to date is as important as developing a model
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POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELING



POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELING

- Historical Timeline
- Common Hydraulic Model Uses
- Common Challenges in Developing Hydraulic Models
- Water System Elements
 - Pipes
 - Valves
 - Pumps
 - Tanks



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Manual Calculations
and physical models
(too expensive)

Programming was
used to simulate
small system

EPANET was
introduces by
USEPA

Integration
with GIS was
presented

Adding water quality
modelling, fire flow
analysis etc.



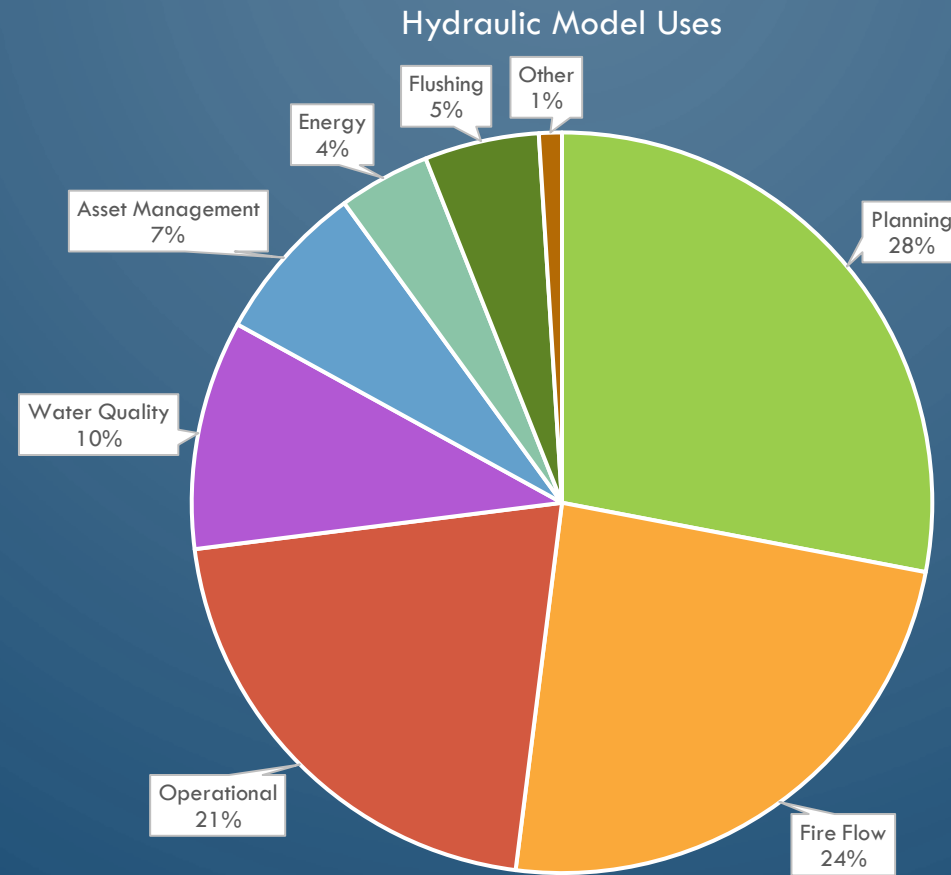
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Main purposes of hydraulic modelling:

- Planning
- Design
- Operation
- Water Quality improvement



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Source: Trends in water distribution system modeling, Journal AWWA, Oct. 2014.



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The most technically challenging aspects of the hydraulic model (n=79)



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- Water System Elements

- Pipes
- Pumps
- Valves
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POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELING

- PIPES and Fittings

- Material

- Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)
 - Polyethylene (PE)
 - Asbestos Cement (AC)
 - Steel
 - Ductile Iron
 - Cast Iron

- Physical Properties

- Diameter (Inner Diameter)
 - Roughness

- Location

- X Coordinate
 - Y Coordinate
 - Z Coordinate (elevation)



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- Pipe Flow Equations
 - Continuity Equation
 - Energy Principal
 - Hazen-Williams Formula
 - Darcy-Weisbach Formula



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- Flow Equations – Continuity Equation

$$Q = AV$$

Q is the flow (m^3/sec)

A is the Area of flow (m^2)

V = Flow Velocity (m/sec)



$$A_1 V_1 = A_2 V_2$$



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- Energy Equation

$$\frac{P_1}{\gamma} + Z_1 + \frac{V_1}{2g} + H_G = \frac{P_2}{\gamma} + Z_2 + \frac{V_2}{2g} + H_L$$

Where

P = Pressure (N/m²)

γ = Specific Weight of the fluid (Water) (N/m³)

Z = Elevation above the datum (m)

V = Water Velocity (m/s)

g = gravitational acceleration (m/s²)

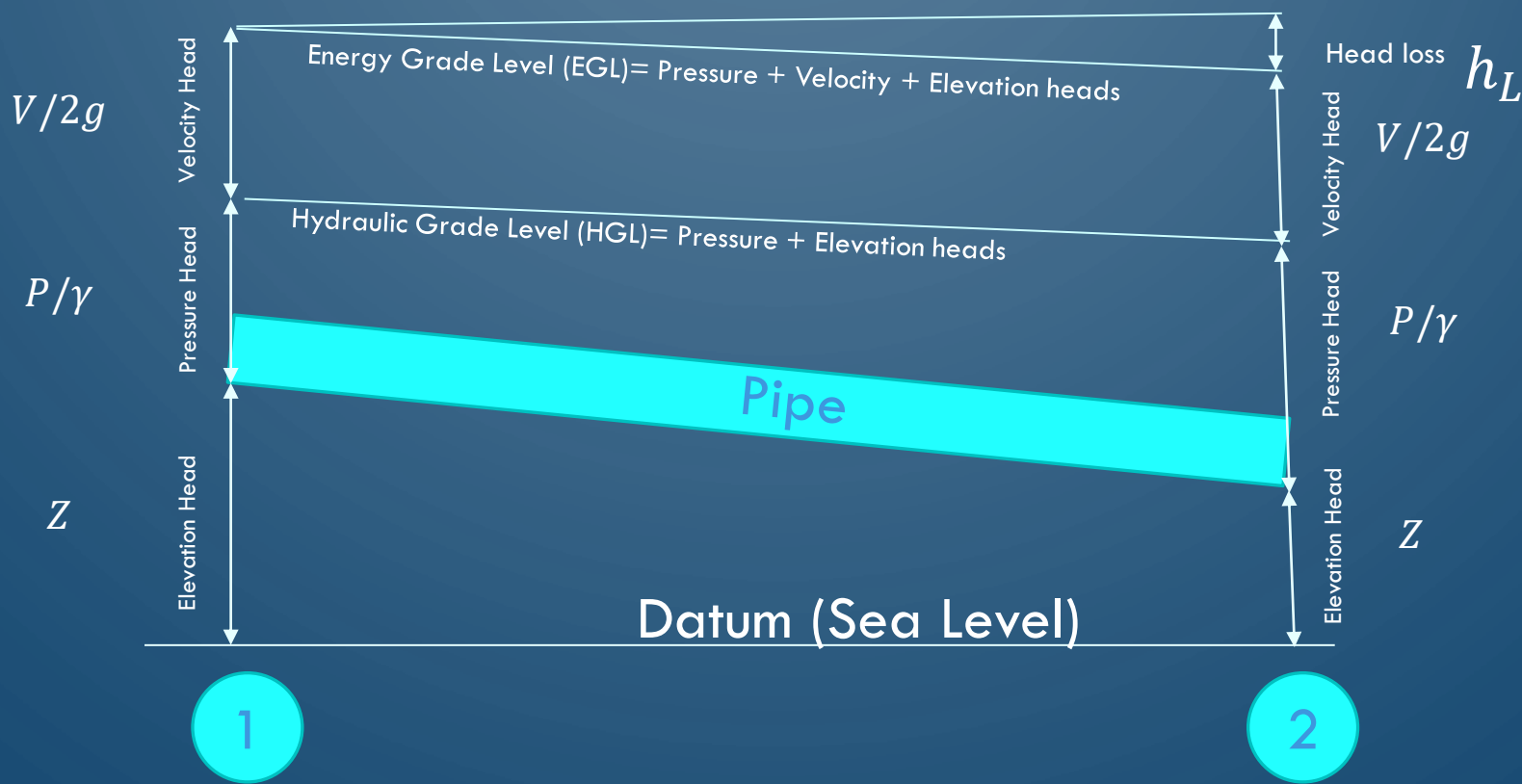
H_G = Head Gained such as from a pump (m)

H_L = Head loss such as friction loss (m)



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- Energy Equation





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- Hazen-Williams Equation

$$V = 0.85 C R^{0.63} S^{0.54}$$

Where

V = Water Velocity (m/s)

C = Hazen-Williams Roughness Coefficient (unitless)

R = Hydraulic Radius (m)

= Area (m²)/Witted Perimeter (m)

S = Slope (m/m)





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- Hazen-Williams Equation – Cont.

Table 5-2. Values of the Hazen-Williams coefficient C_{HW} and Manning's n for common pipe materials

Type of Pipe	C_{HW}	n
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe	150	0.008
Very smooth pipe	140	0.011
New cast iron or welded steel	130	0.014
Wood or concrete	120	0.016
Clay or new riveted steel	120	0.017
Old cast iron or brick	100	0.020
Badly corroded cast iron or steel	80	0.035

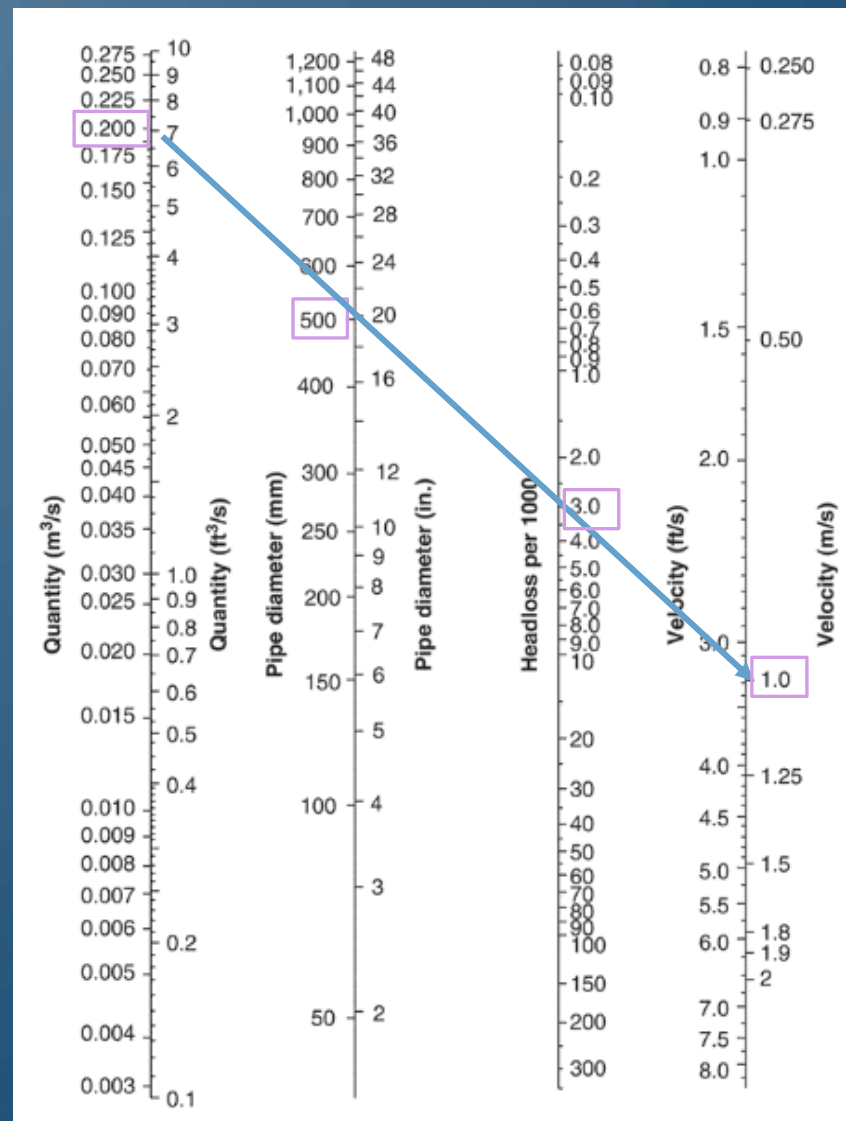
Source: Jeppson 1976.



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- Hazen-Williams Equation – Cont.

Nomogram for Solving the Hazen–Williams equation
($C=100$).





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- Darcy-Weisbach Equation

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{8g}{f} RS}$$

Where

V = Water Velocity (m/s)

f = Darcy-Weisbach friction factor (unitless)

R = Hydraulic Radius (m)

= Area (m²)/Wetted Perimeter (m)

S = Slope (m/m)

- Darcy-Weisbach Friction Factor (unitless)

$$f = \frac{1.325}{\left[\log_e \left(\frac{k}{3.7D} + \frac{5.74}{Re^{0.9}} \right) \right]^2}$$

Where

f = Darcy-Weisbach friction factor

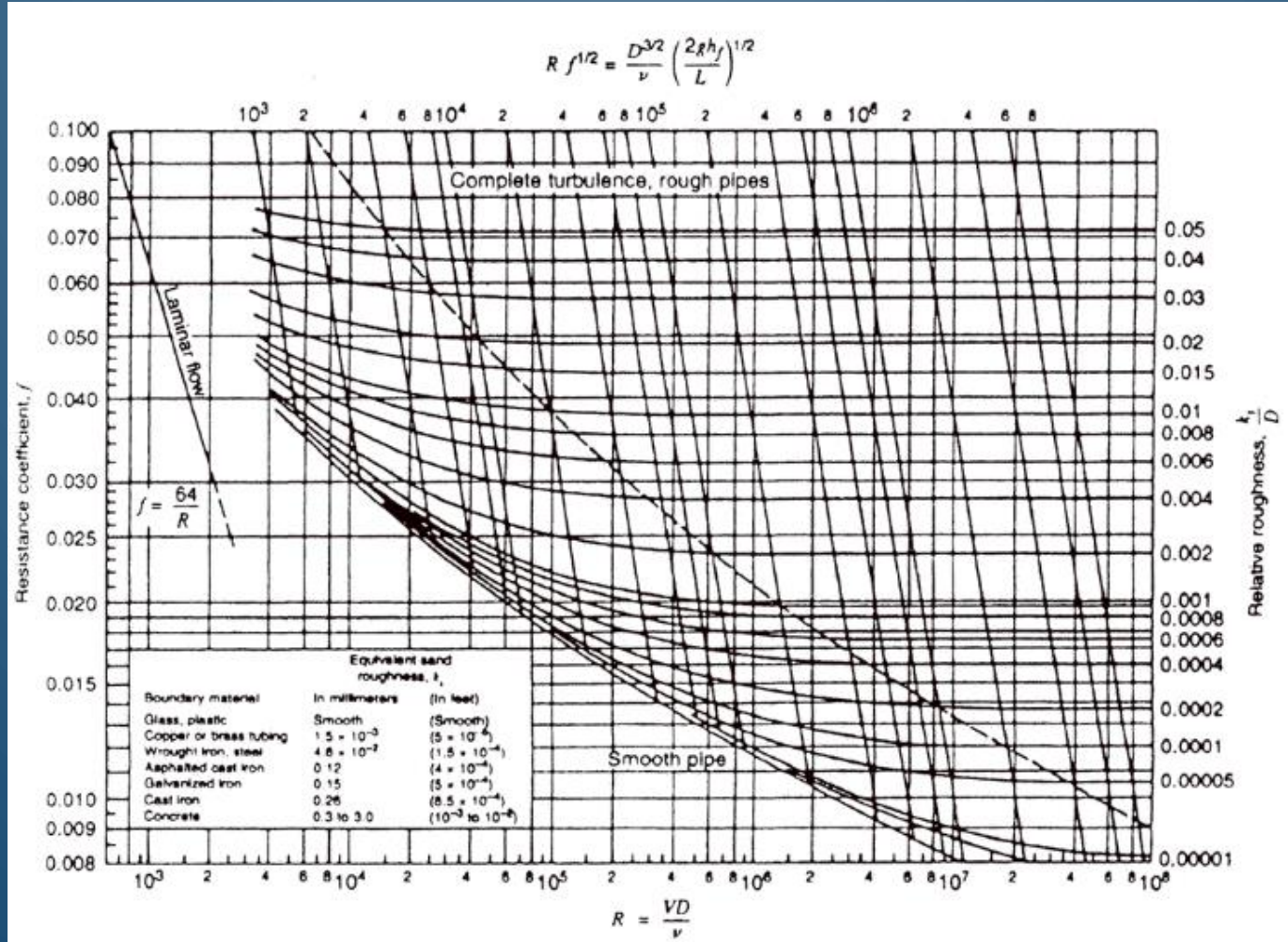
k = roughness height (m)

D = Pipe diameter (m)

Re = Reynolds number (unitless)



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Moody diagram with the friction factor f , as a function of Reynolds number R , in Darcy–Weisbach formula for flow in conduits.



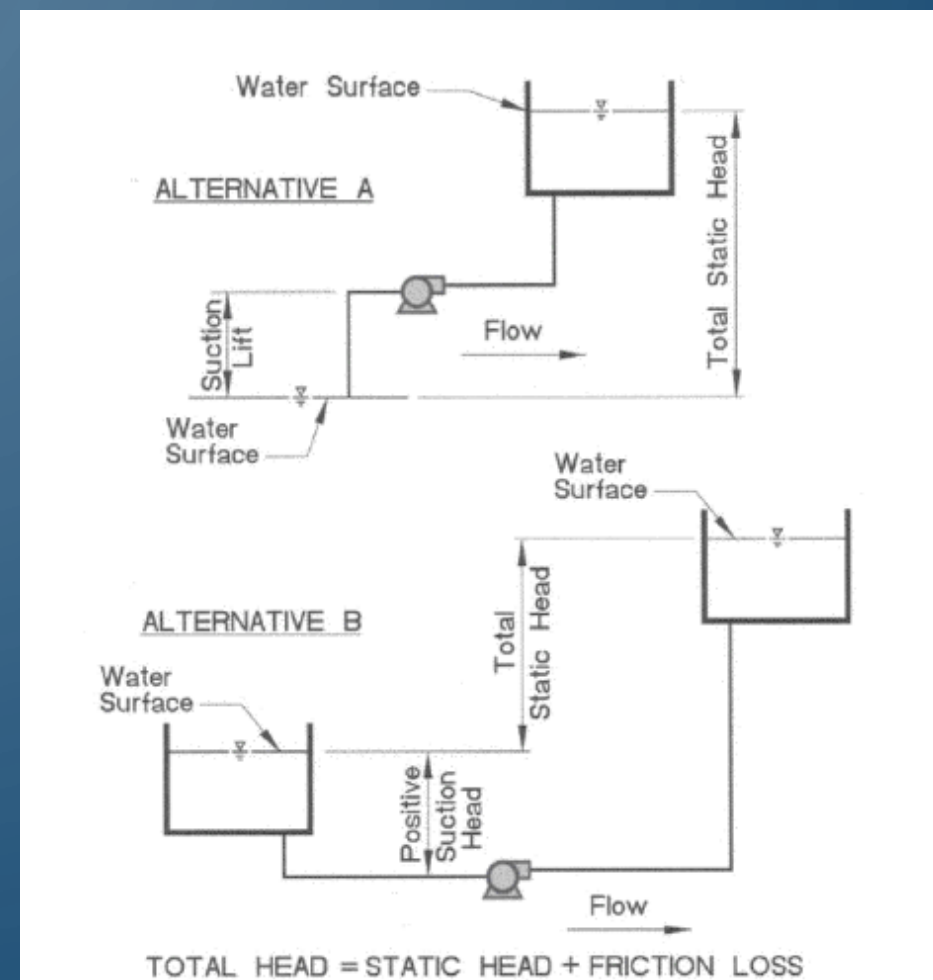
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- Pumps

A water pump is a device whose main job is to increase water pressure to transfer the water, or liquid, from one place to another.

- Type of water pumps

- Centrifugal Pumps
- Vertical Line Shaft Turbine Pumps
- Submersible Pumps





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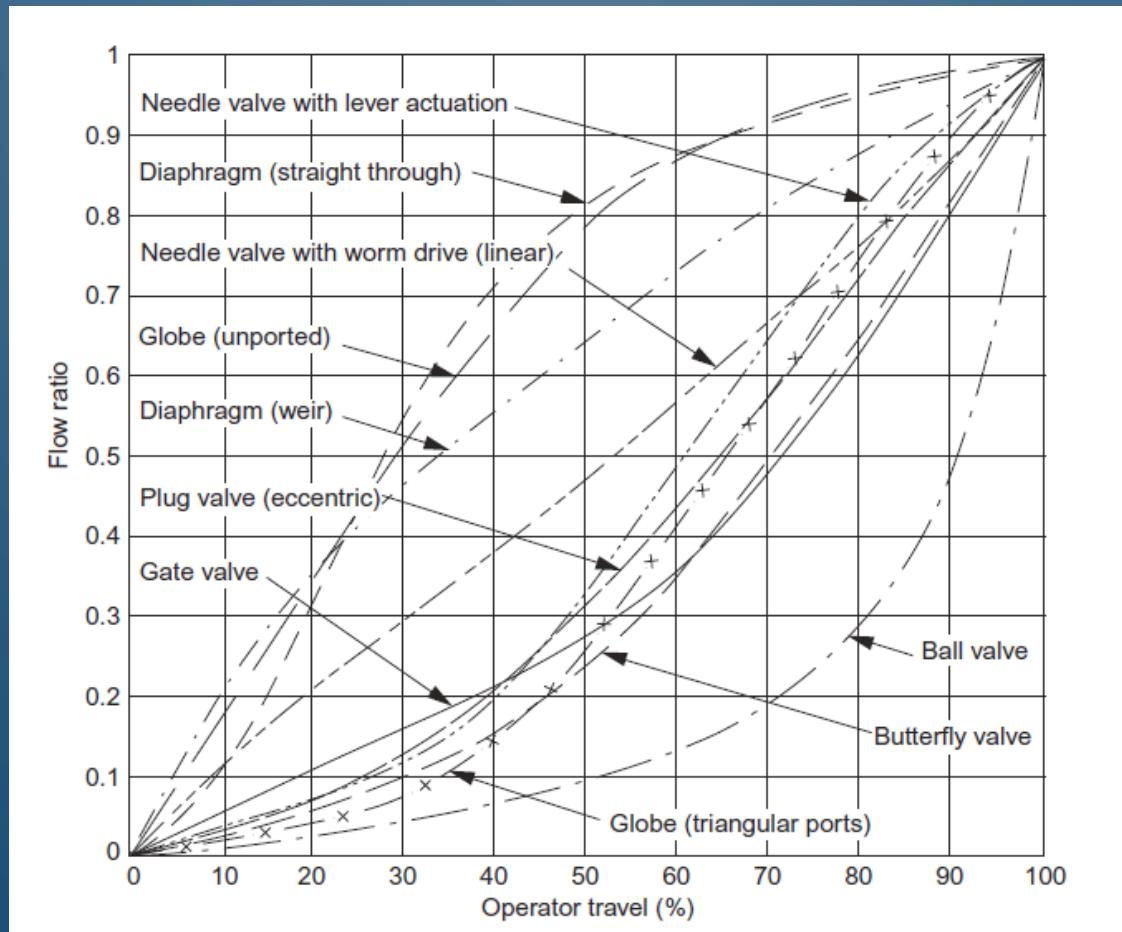
- Valves

- **Isolating** Set either closed or fully open and normally not operated in flow conditions
- **Regulating** Set with any degree of opening to regulate flow and capable of periodic adjustment to opening
- **Control** Used with autonomous or external systems to respond to changes in flow or pressure conditions to achieve a set result which itself is capable of being reset
- **Non-return** Prevents reverse flow when downstream pressure is higher
- **Venting** To exhaust or admit air



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- Valves – Cont.



POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELING

- Valves

- GATE VALVES
- BUTTERFLY
- GLOBE VALVES
- BALL VALVES
- DIAPHRAGM VALVES



Ball Valve



Gate Valve



Globe Valve



Butterfly Valve



Air release valve



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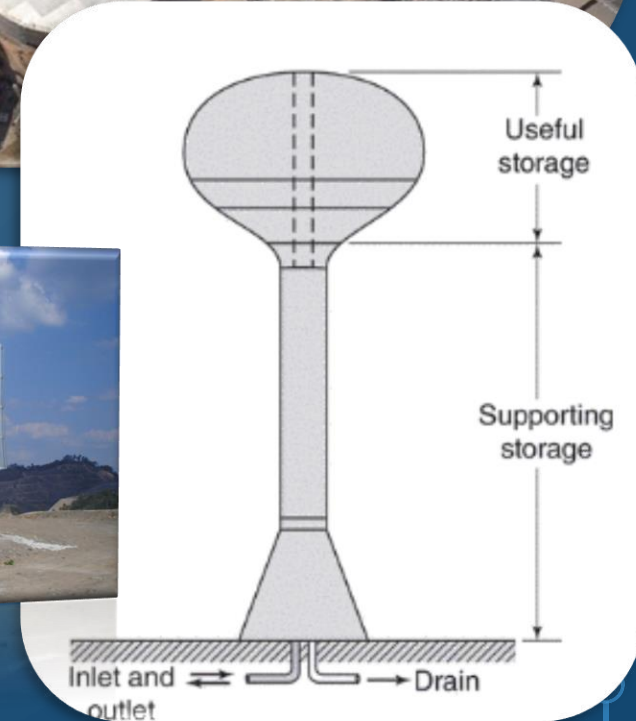
- Tanks

- Operational tanks

Usually integrated within the distribution network to equalize the water flow between the low consumption and the peak hours

- Strategic tanks

Usually located after the water production facility or within the transamination system





BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL



BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL

ESTABLISH THE PURPOSE AND THE NEEDS

- Planning

- Capital Improvement Program
- Water Main Rehabilitation Program
- Reservoir Siting

- Design

- Sizing the water system (mains, pump stations, PRV, tanks, etc ..)
- Fire Flow Studies
- Zone Boundary Selection

- Operation

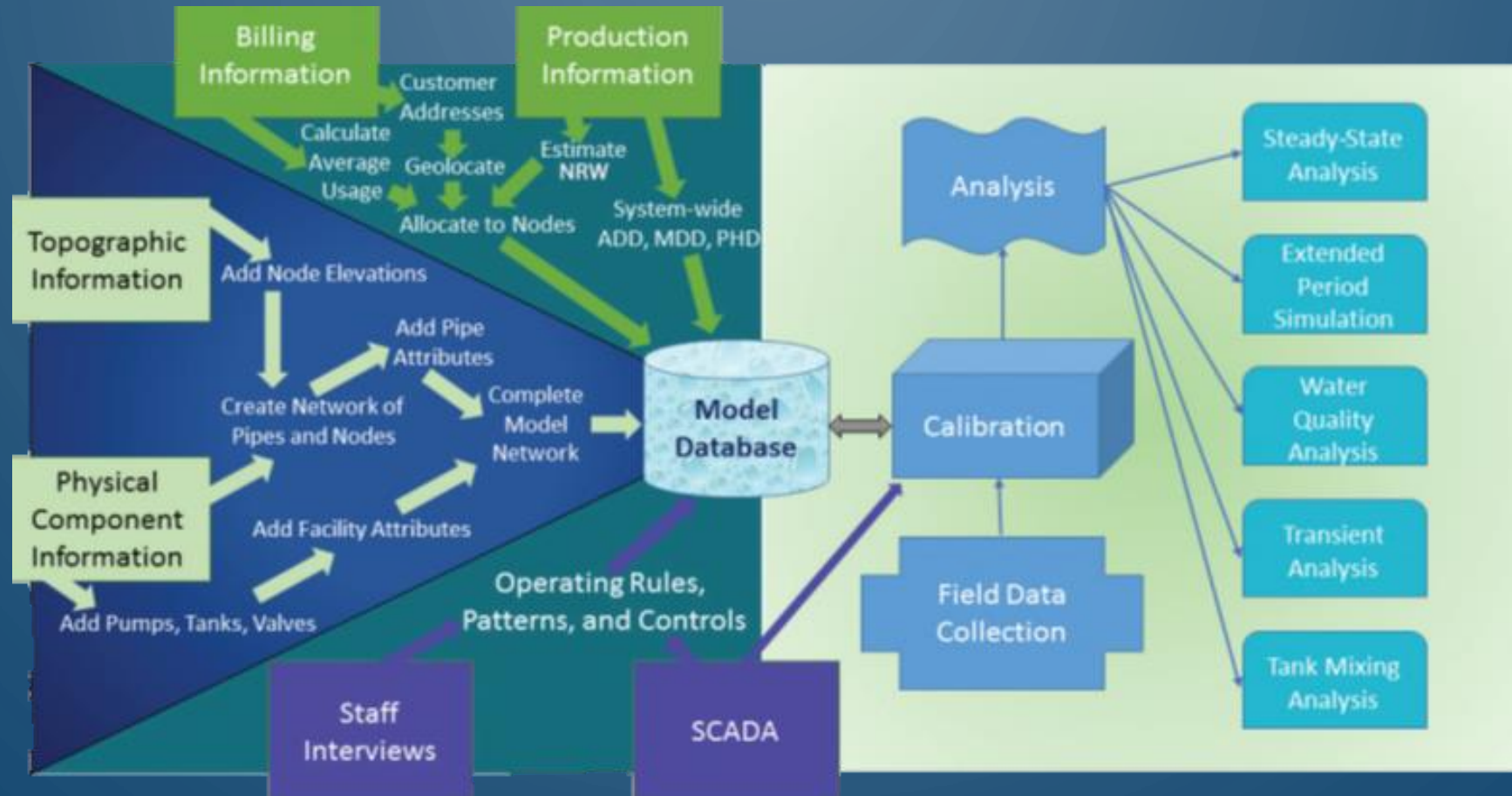
- System Trouble shooting scenarios
- Water Loss Calculations
- Energy Conservation scenarios



BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL

- **Collect data.**
- **Develop the model.**
- **Calibrate the model.**
- **Analyze the distribution system.**

BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL





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- Data Collection – Geographical data
 - Land use and zoning for existing and future conditions
 - Aerial photographs
 - Elevation data: digital terrain model (DTM), triangulated irregular network (TIN), contour maps, GPS, or other elevation data
 - Street maps and parcel maps: including street names, rights-of-way, and city and township boundaries



BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL

- Data Collection – Existing Facilities Inventory
 - Pipes (Location, Diameter, Length, Age, Material, Lining, connectivity)
 - Storage Facilities (Location Capacity, Dimension, base water surface level, maximum water surface level, operation hours)
 - Service Connections (location, elevations, size, etc.)
 - Pumping and booster stations (elevation, number of duty pumps, spare pumps, pumps curves, sumps elevations, on-off levels, etc.)
 - Valves (type, location, diameter, etc.)
 - Other system components as needed)



BUILDING AND PREPARING THE MODEL

- Data Collection
 - Water meter consumption
 - Production records
 - Operating records
 - Annual, seasonal, diurnal curve
 - Physical Inspection



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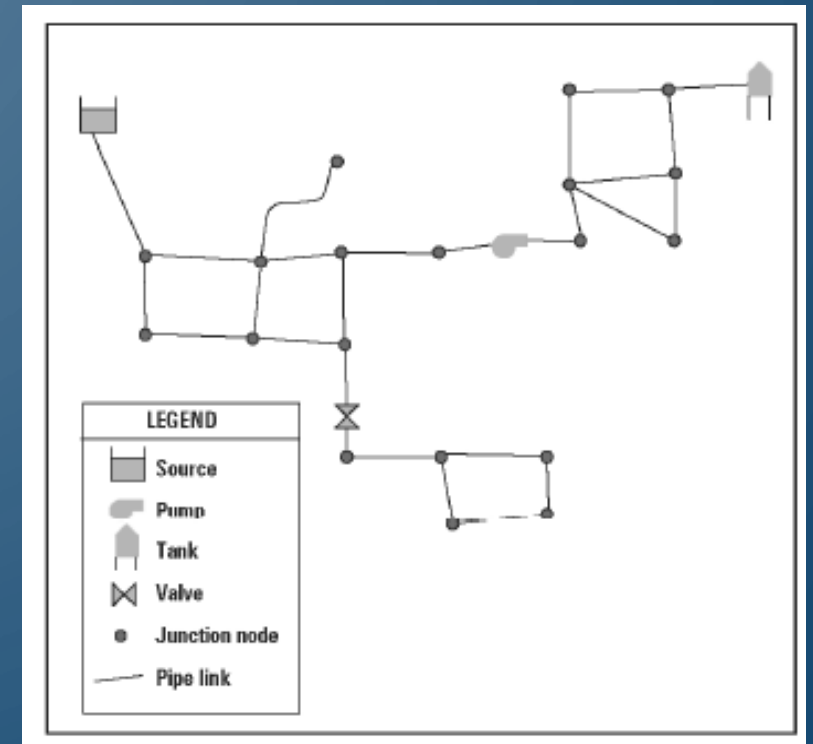
- Model Elements

- Nodes (Junctions)

- Storing Elevations
 - Diversion point (entrance and exist of water from the system)
 - Boundary condition (Valve, Pump, Tank)

- Links

- Represents the pipe

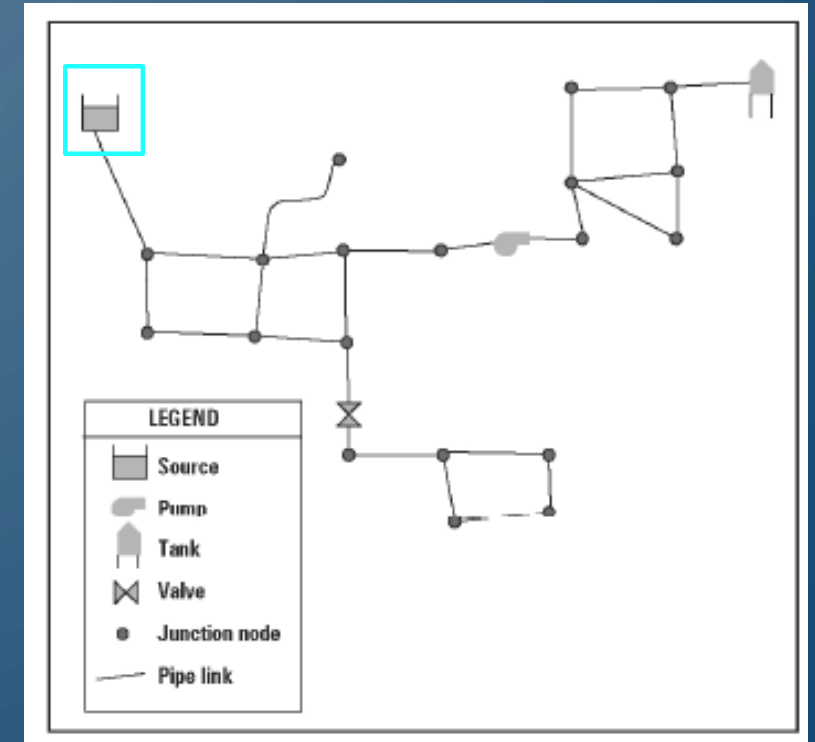




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Reservoir	Location (N, W)
	Elevation (m)

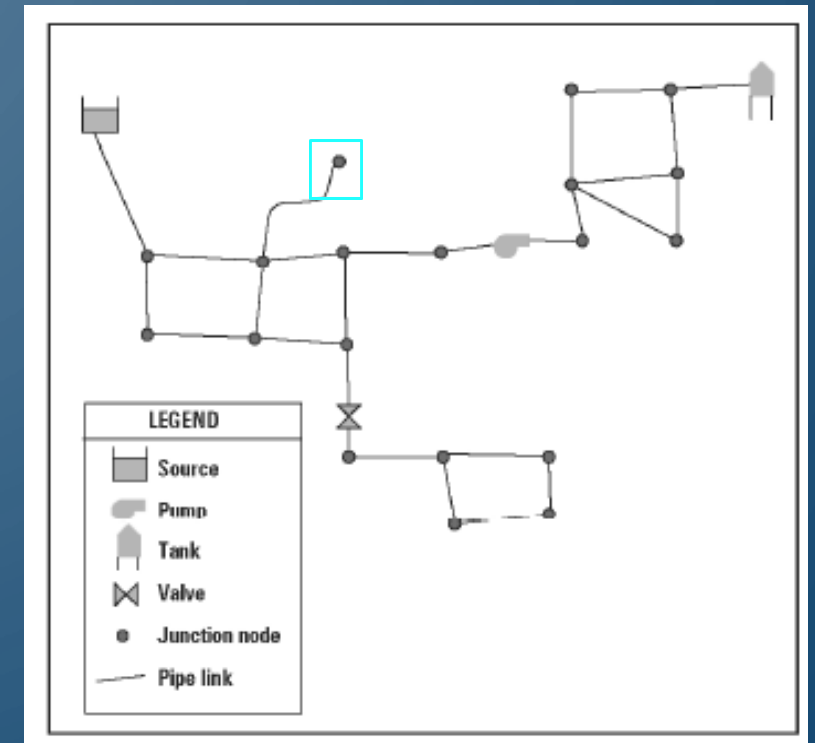




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Junction	Location (N, W)
	Elevation (m)
	Demand, if exist (m^3/day)

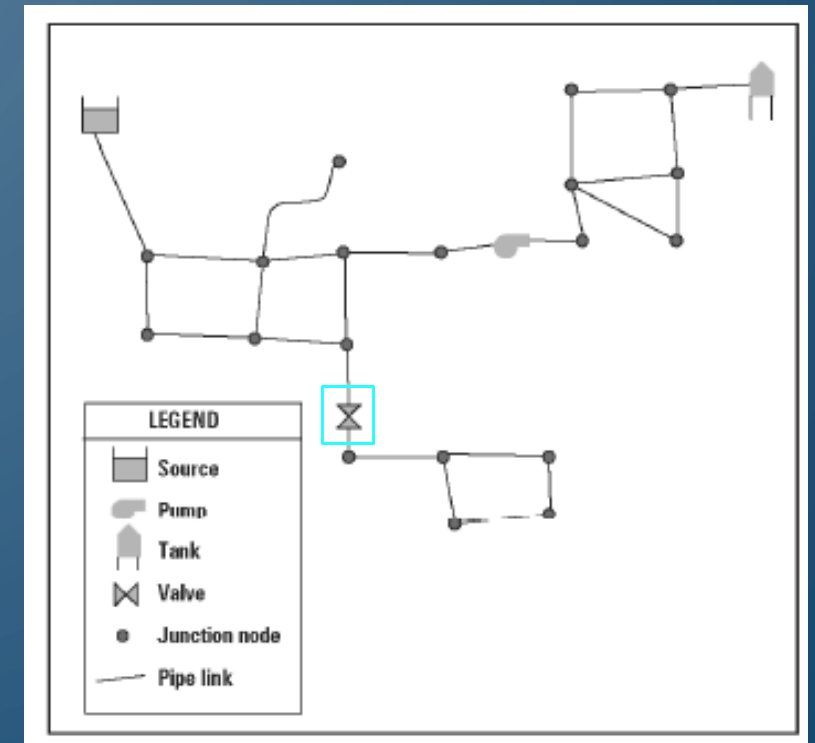




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Valve	Location (N, W)
	Elevation (m)
	Status (on/off)
	Type (control, PRV, NRV, etc.)

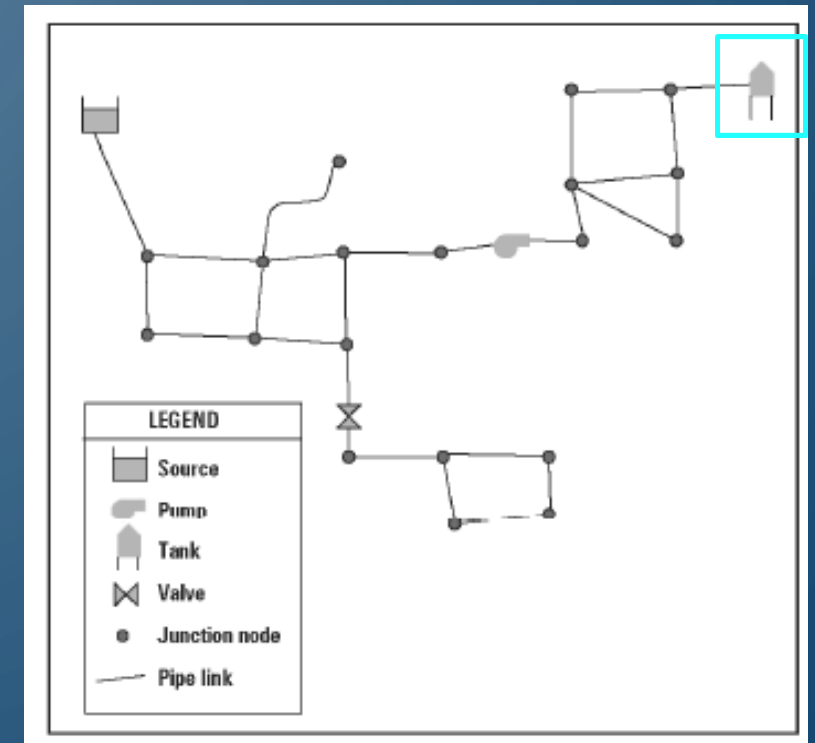




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Tank	Location (N, W)
	Ground Elevation (m)
	Minimum Water Level (m)
	Maximum Water Level (m)
	Volume (m ³)
	Type

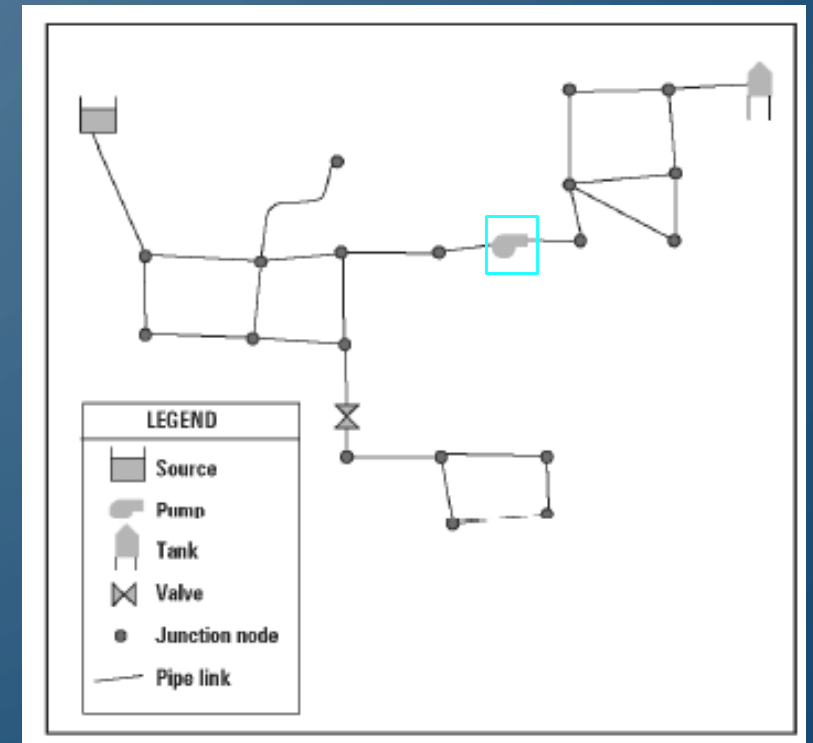




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Pump	Location (N, W)
	Elevation (m)
	Operation data
	Pump Curve

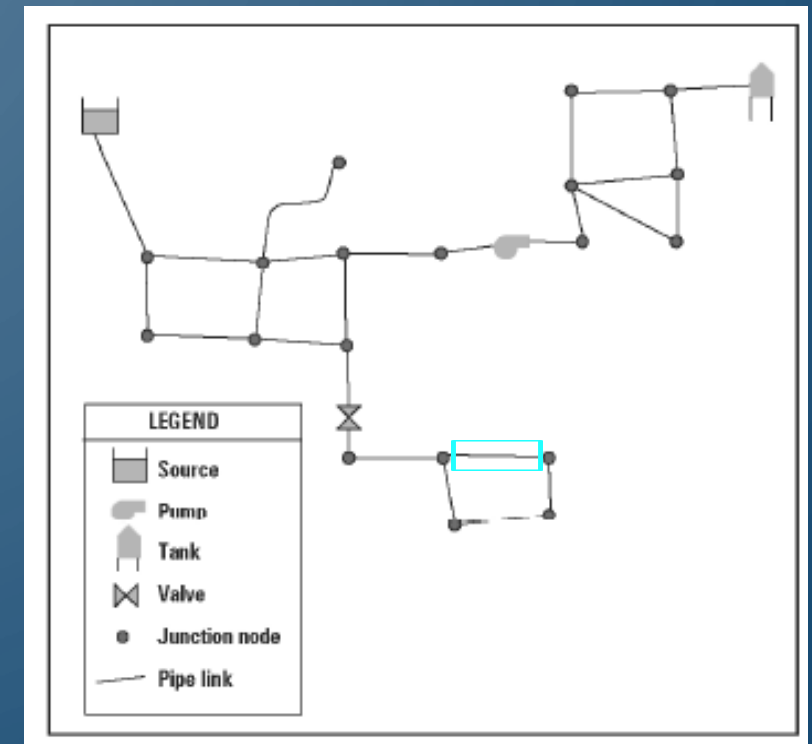




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- Model Elements

Model Element Type	Data Required
Pipe	Location, Start, End (N, W)
	Ground Elevation, Start and End (m)
	Diameter
	Material
	Head Loss coefficient (C or ε)





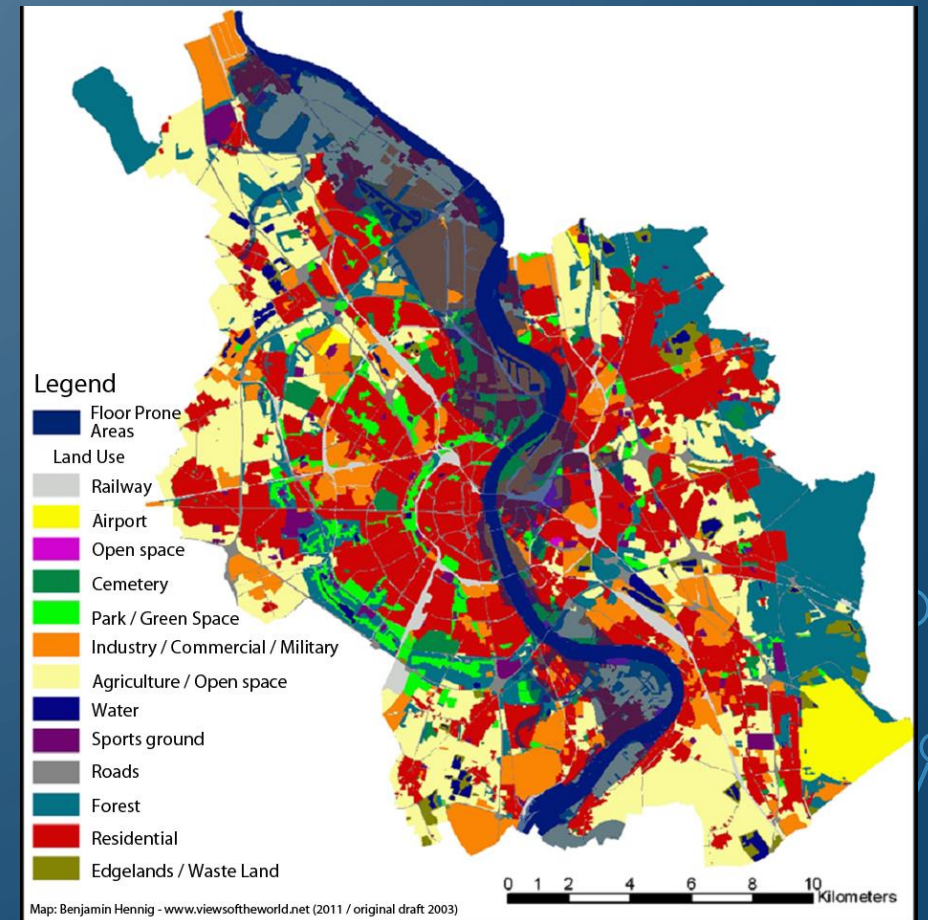
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- Demand Development
 - Types of Demand (related to the land use types)
 - Residential Demands, indoor water used in flushing toilets, washing, cooking, and drinking
 - Commercial Demands, stores, restaurants, gas stations, offices.
 - Industrial Demands.



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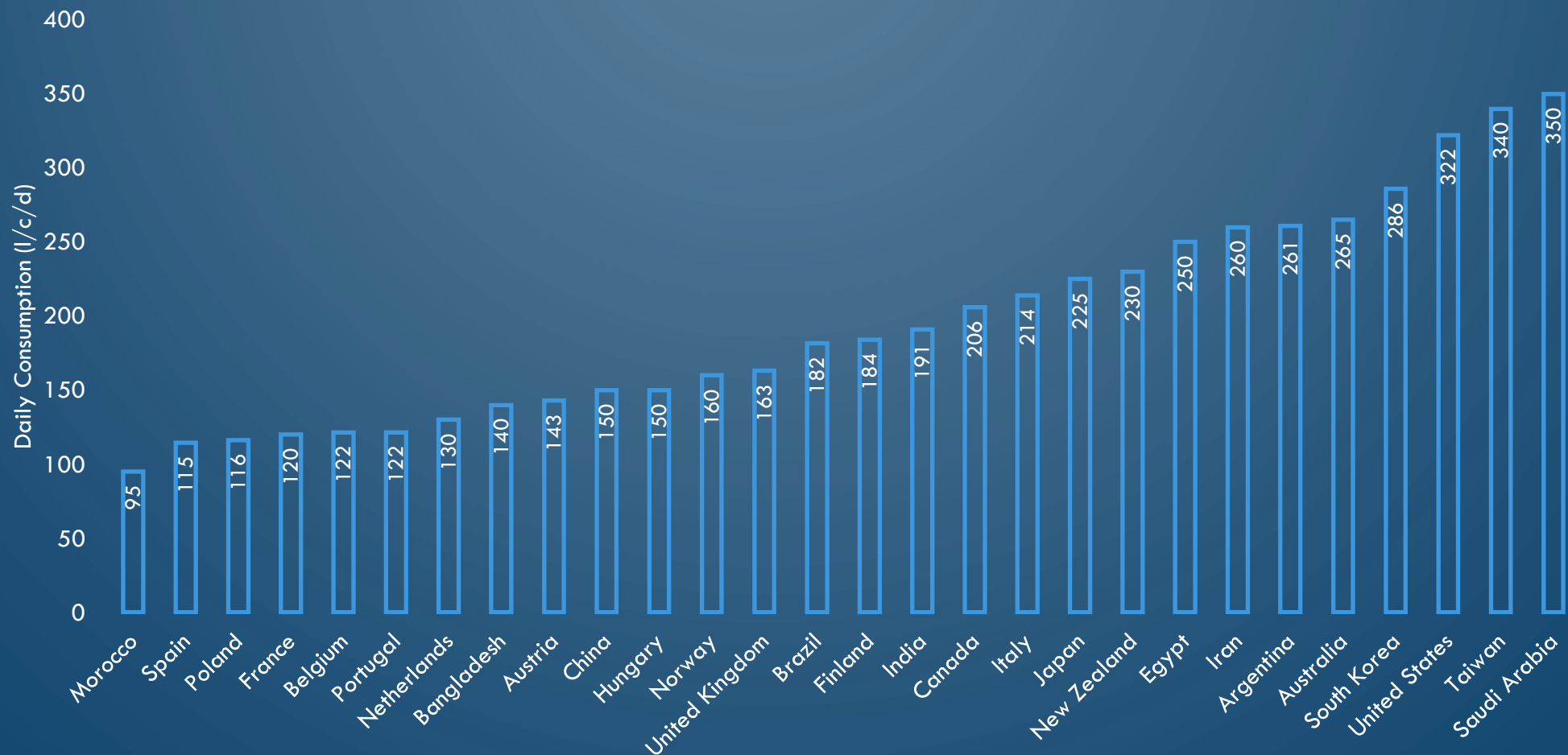
- Demand Allocation Process to nodes
 - Based on land use map using GIS methodology
 - Manual process





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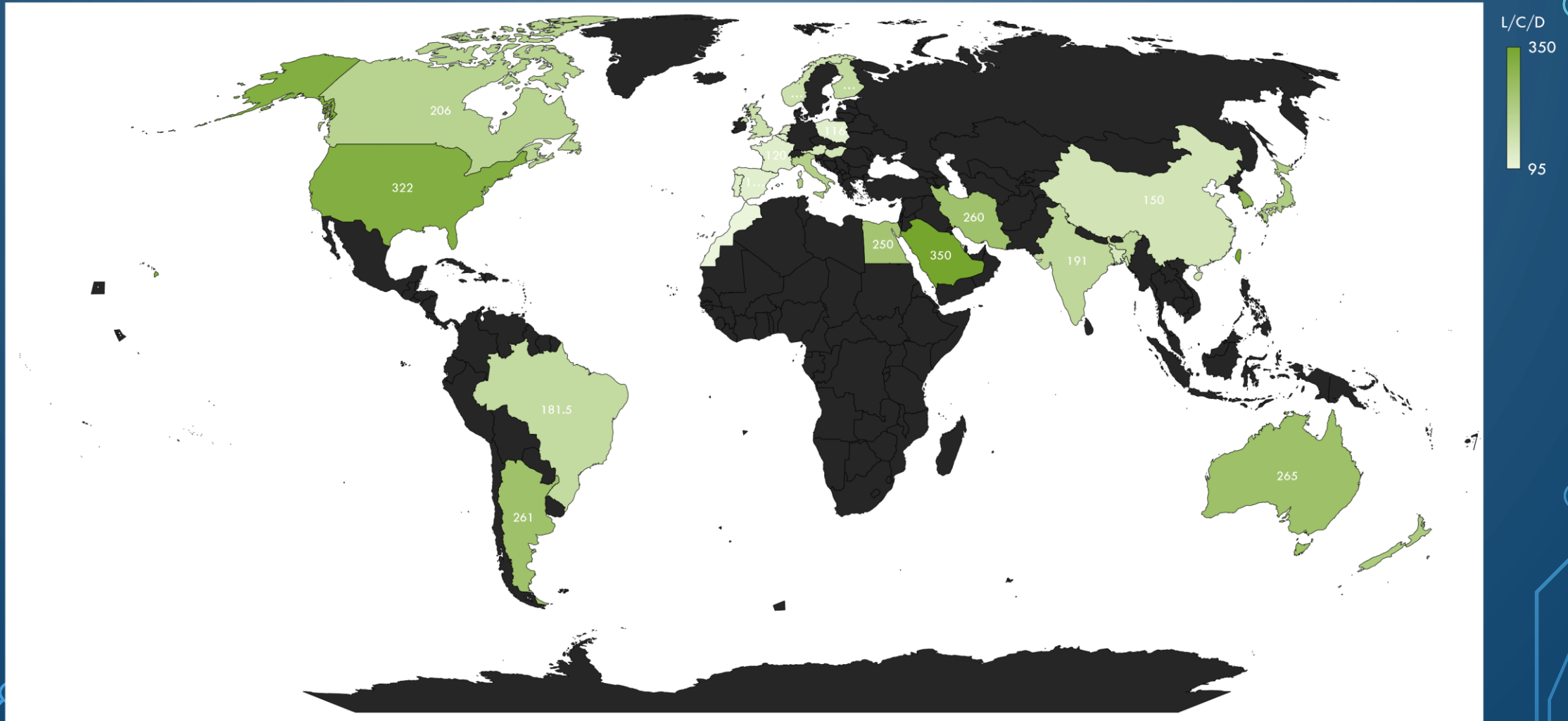
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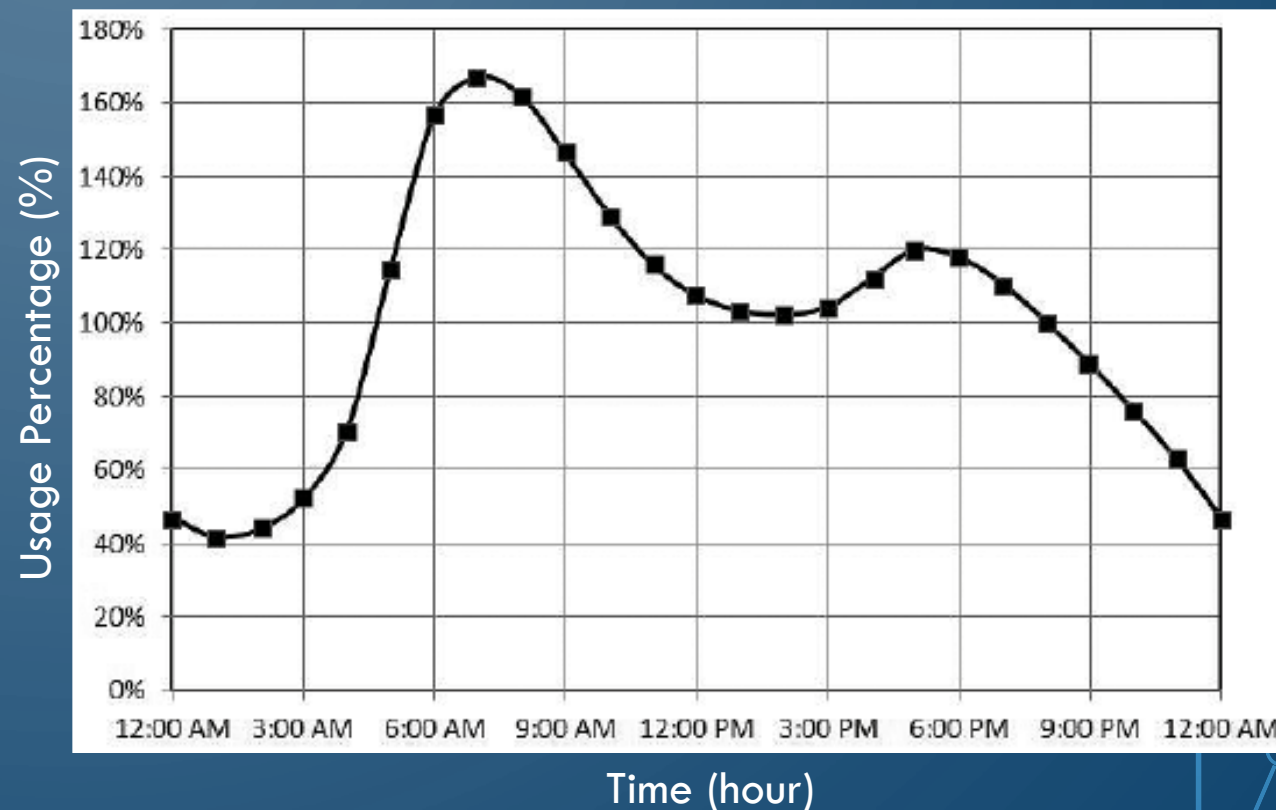
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- Temporal Variation
 - Seasonal
 - Seasonal Tourism (Hajj and Omrah)
 - Daily
 - User's behaviour (Residential)
 - Land use related variation (Offices)



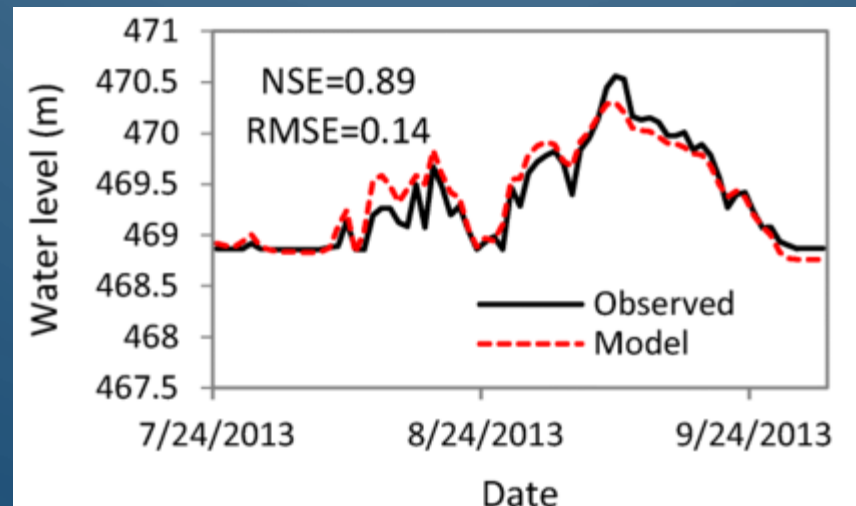


HYDRAULIC MODEL CALIBRATION



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Calibration is comparing between the developed model to the actual field data and making corrections and adjustments to the model to achieve close agreement between computer-predicted values and field measurements.





HYDRAULIC MODEL CALIBRATION

Calibration Goals:

- Hydraulic grade line (HGL)
 - Predicted values between ± 2.2 and 4.3 PSI of the recorded in the field
- Water Reservoir Top Water Levels
 - Predicted water levels between ± 0.9 and 1.8 m

Model Uses:

- Planning
- Pipeline sizing
- Fire flow analysis



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- Water Flows (UK WRc):
 - 5% of recorded flow $> 10\%$ of the total flow demand
 - 10% of recorded flow $< 10\%$ of the total flow
- Pressure (UK WRc):
 - Difference between Model and recorded measurements :
 - (5% or 0.5 m) of recorded head loss of 85% of the test measurements
 - (7.5% 0.75 m) of recorded head loss of 95% of the test measurements
 - (15% or 2.0 m) of recorded head loss of 100% of the test measurements



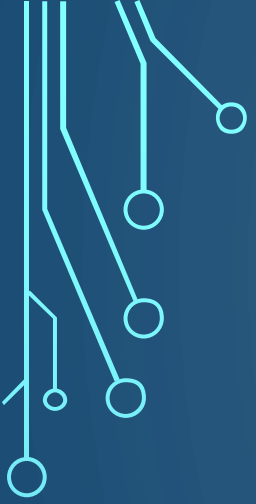
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Data Sources and Errors:

- System maps
- Elevation Data
- SCADA system
- Pressure Recording Devices (may not be calibrated)
- Flow Recording Devices (may not be calibrated)
- Pump Curve
- Control Valve
- Non-Revenue Water (NRW)
- Unmetered flow
- Peak Factors
- Roughness Coefficients (C-factor)
- Connectivity



STEADY STATE SIMULATION



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Steady State Simulation represents a snapshot of the system under one set of condition such as:

- Average Day Demand
 - Max Day Demand
 - Max Hour Demand
 - Fire flow Condition
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»» STEADY STATE SIMULATION

Purpose of the analysis	Scenario
Normal Operation Studies	Average Day, Maximum Hour
Production and pumping requirements	Maximum day
Sizing of pipelines—small systems	Maximum day plus fire flow
Sizing of pipelines—large systems	Maximum hour and maximum day
System reliability during emergency or planned shutdown	Condition when the emergency or shutdown is likely to occur
Model calibration	Condition during time when measurements were collected



EXTENDED-PERIOD SIMULATION



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Extended-period simulation (EPS) is a technique for modeling a distribution system where a series of steady-state simulations at specified intervals are performed over a specified time period.

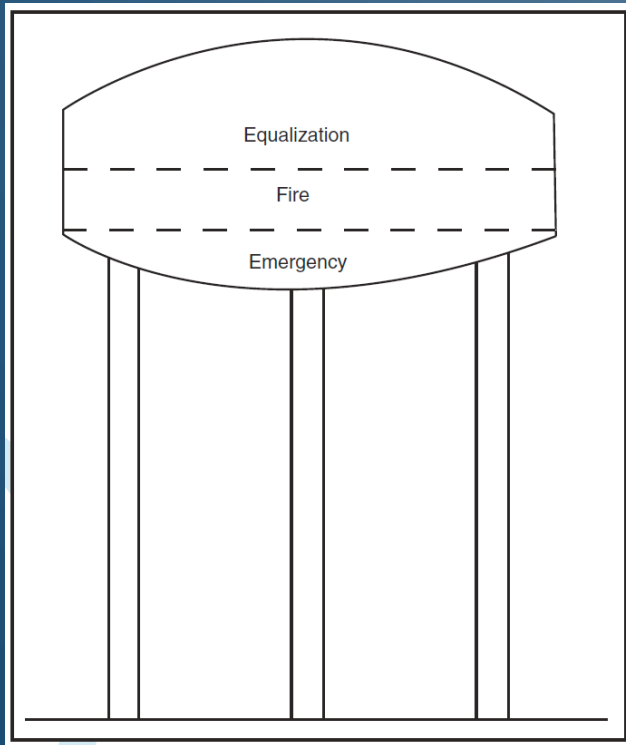


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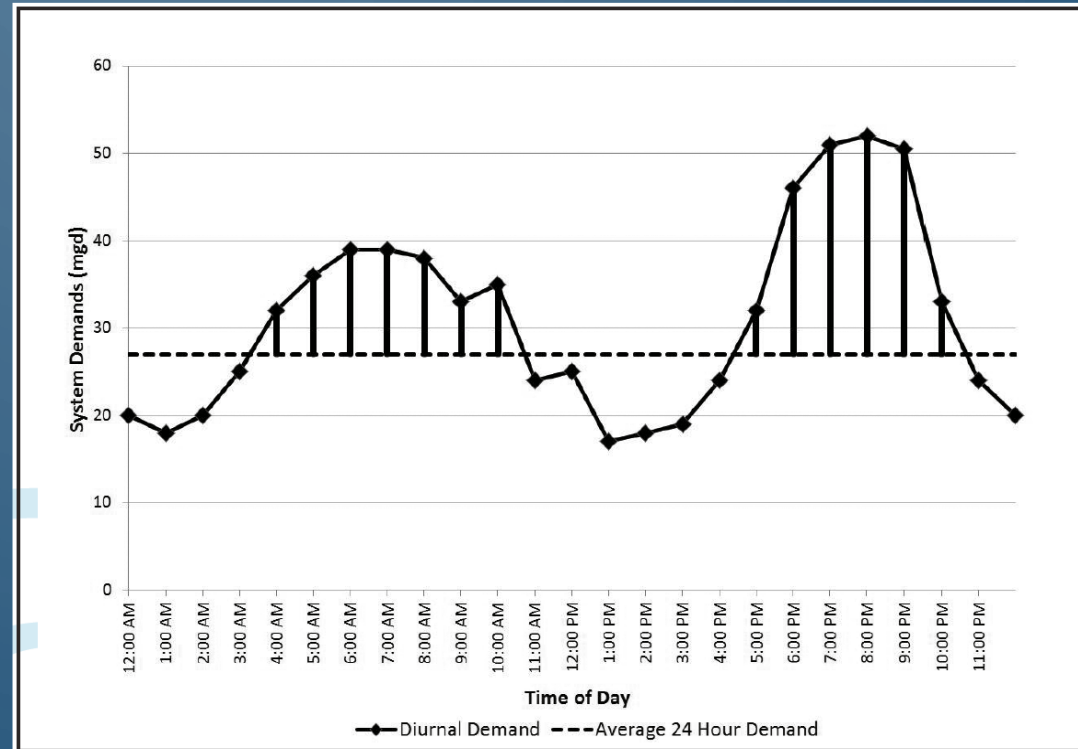
- Required Information:
 - Time interval
 - Diurnal Demand Variations
 - Tanks constraints (Water high level, Water low level, fire storage ,etc..)
 - Pumps operation data and conditions (on and off controls)



EXTENDED-PERIOD SIMULATION



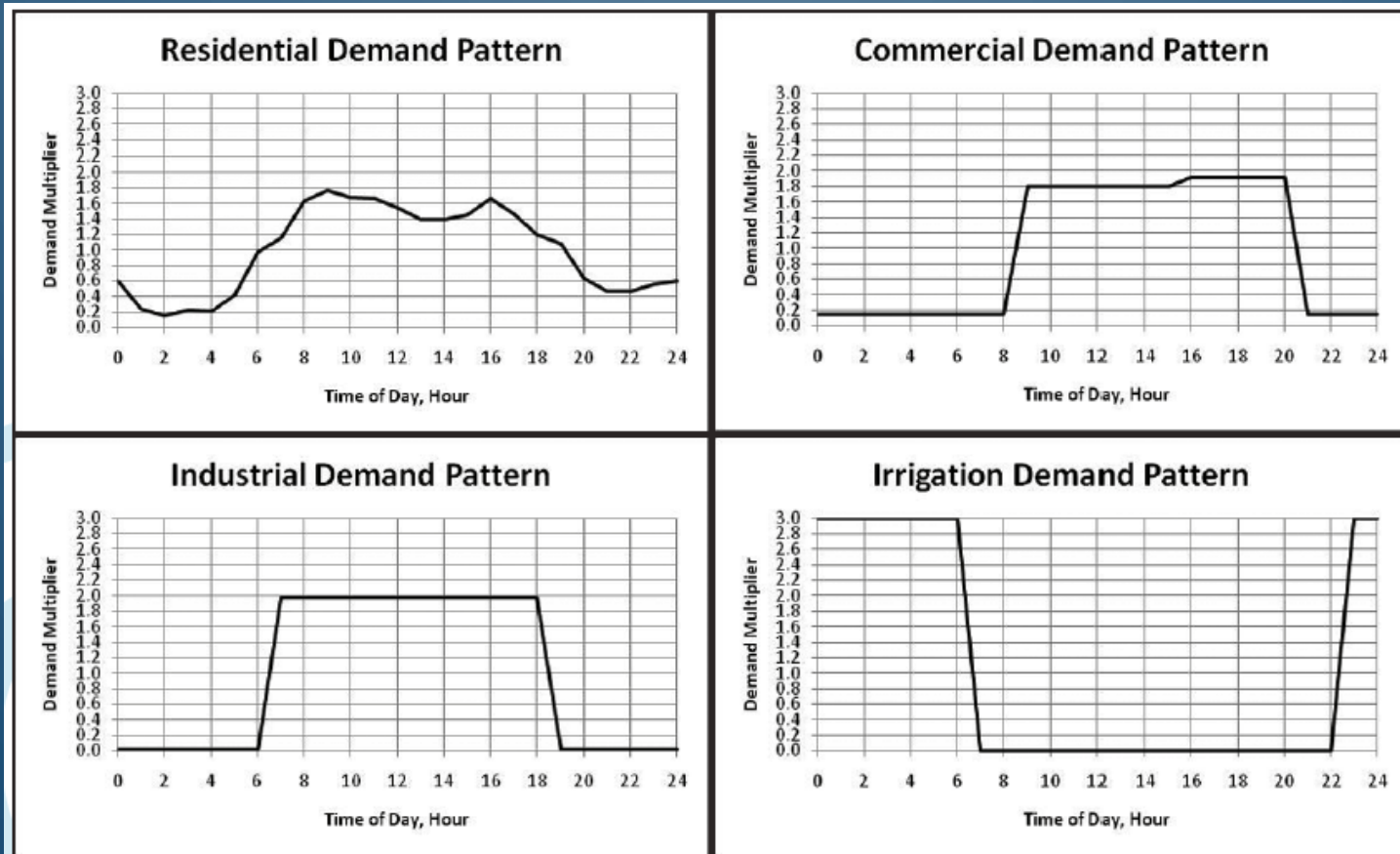
Storage Allocation



Equalization storage requirements for maximum day conditions

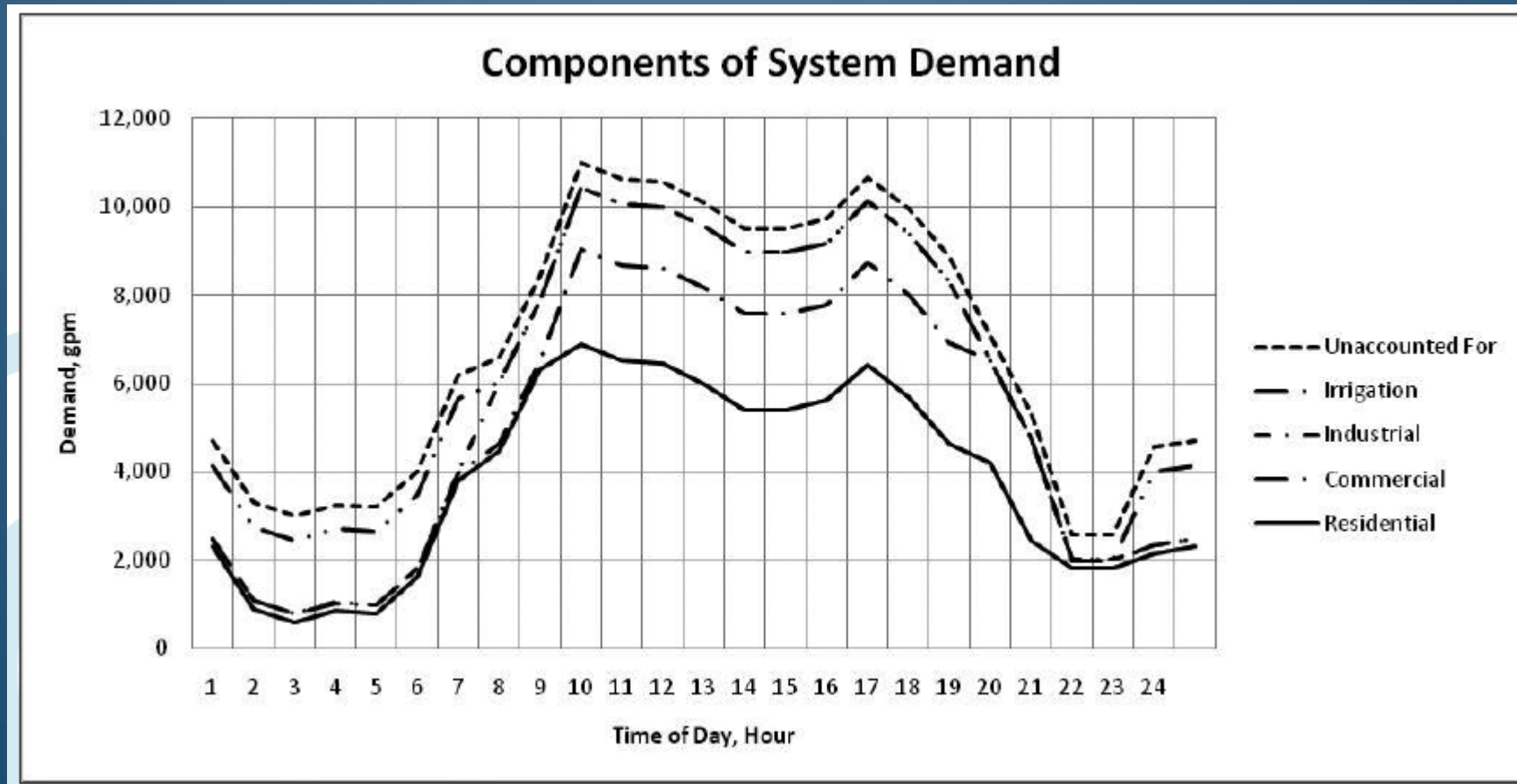


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Purpose of the analysis	Scenario
Sizing of storage facilities	Maximum hour
Tank filling capabilities	Minimum hour of average day
System reliability during emergency or planned shutdown	Condition when the emergency or shutdown is likely to occur
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QUESTIONS ?

