

Data Driven DMA Agnostic Leakage Detection in WDNs

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Research Interests

- Digitalization in Water Sector
- Data Driven Leakage Detection
- Predictive Maintenance of WDN Assets
- Machine Learning & Deep Learning

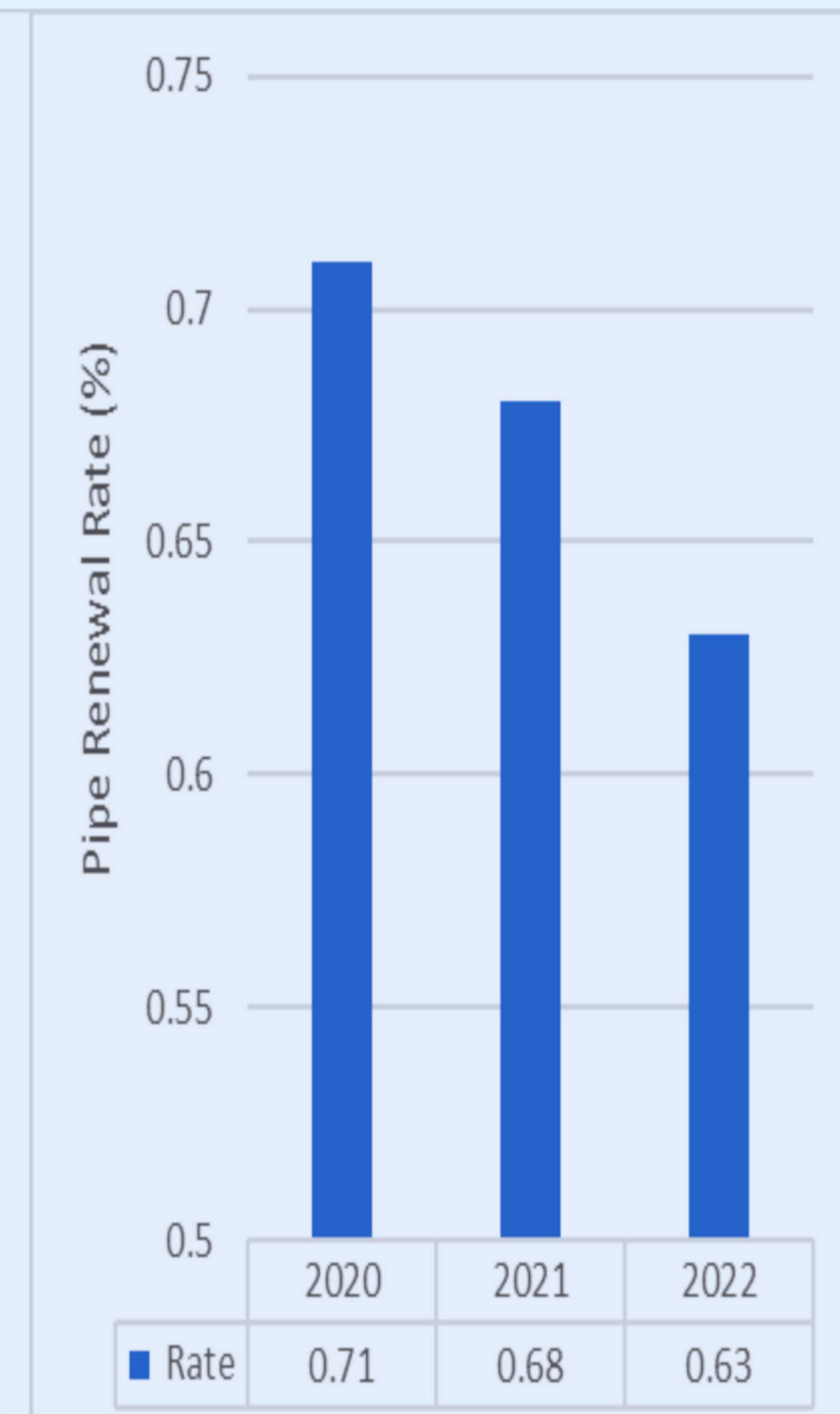
Background

- PhD Engineering (HydroInformatics)
- MPhil Applied mathematics

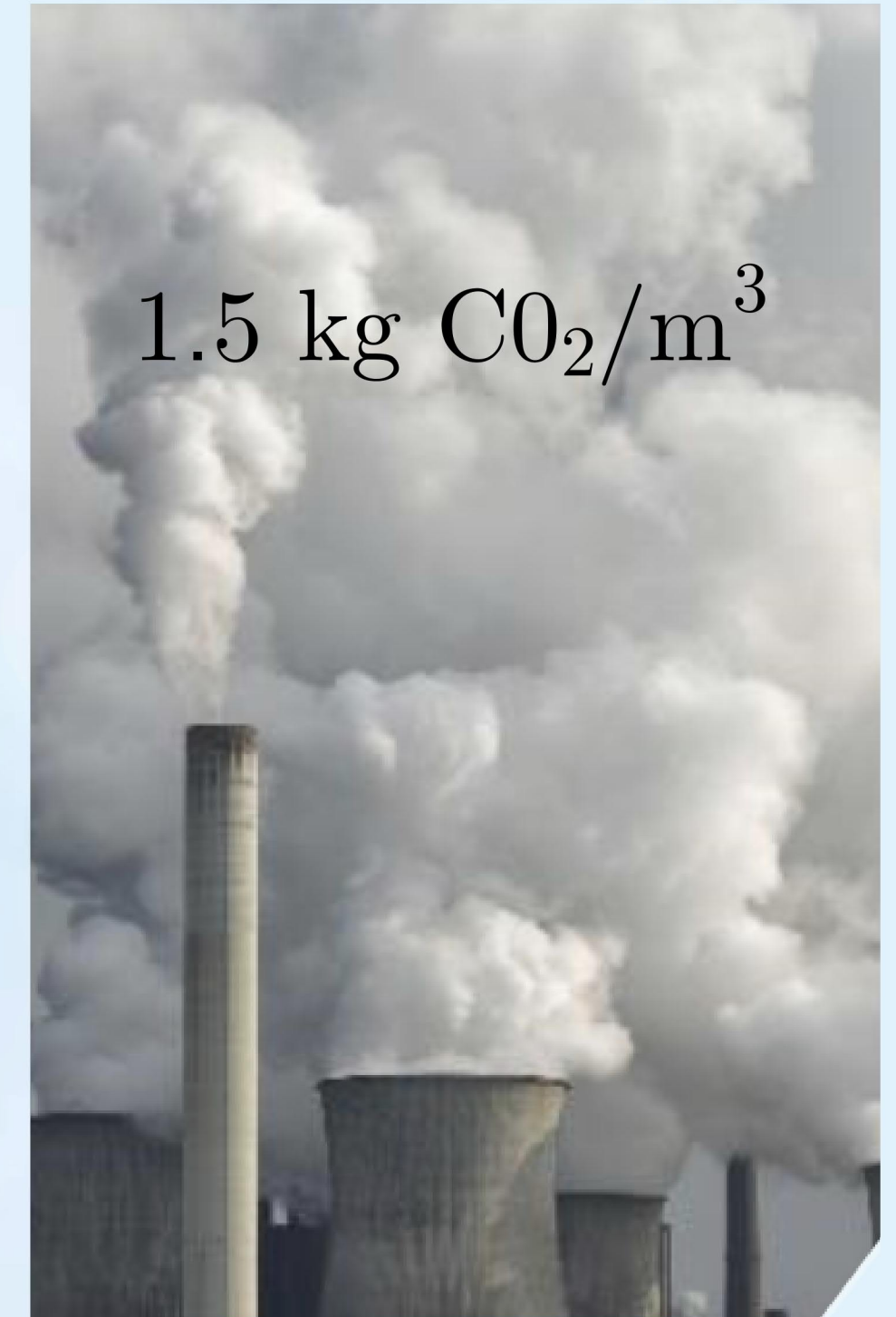
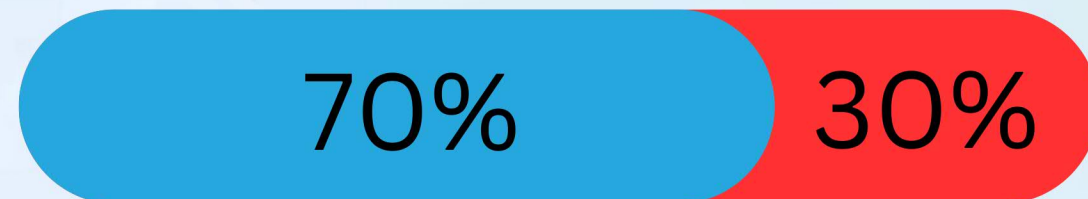
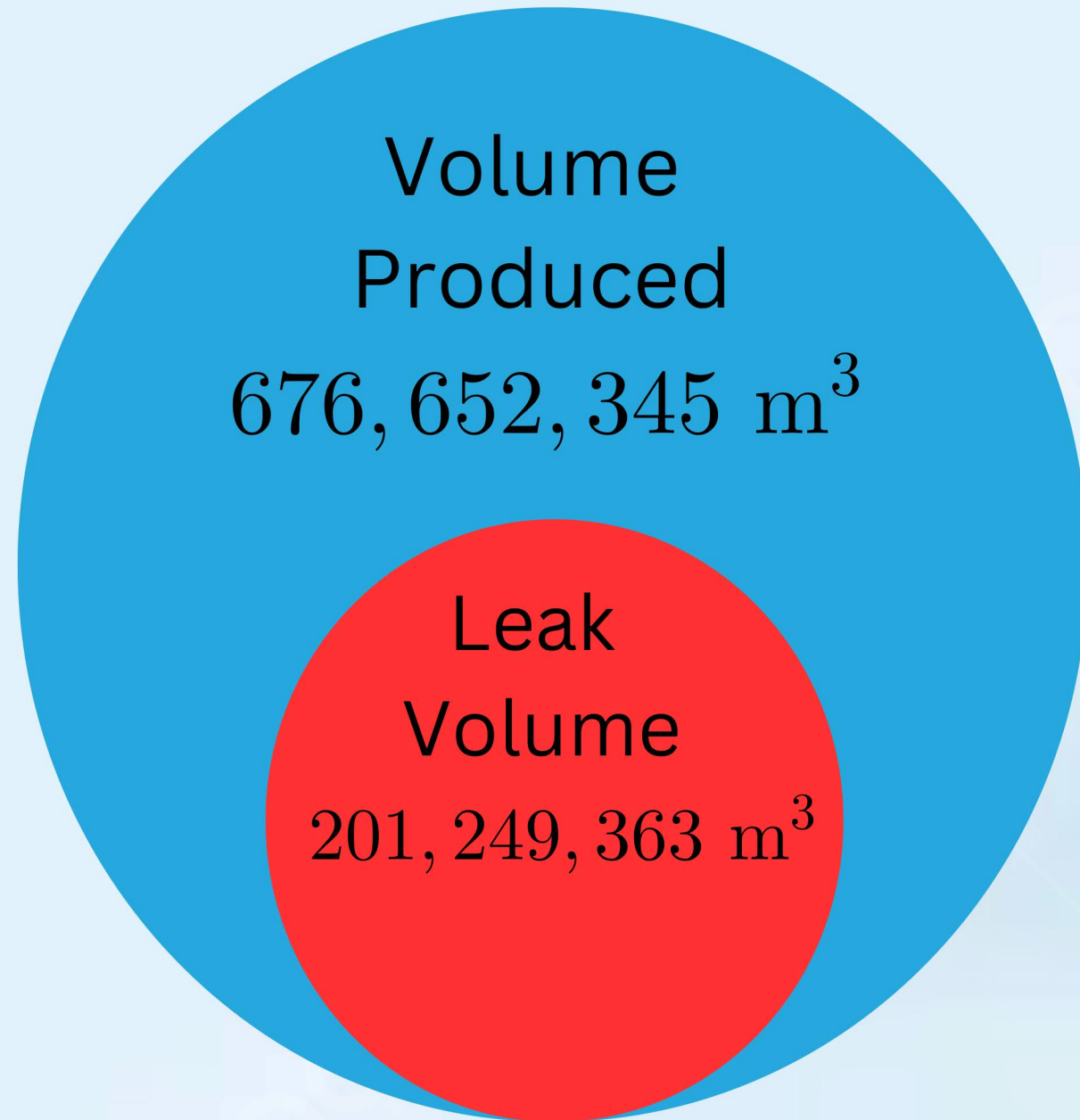
PhD Title: Data Driven Leakage Detection and Predictive Maintenance in Water Distribution Networks

Main Supervisor: Prof. Razak Seidu

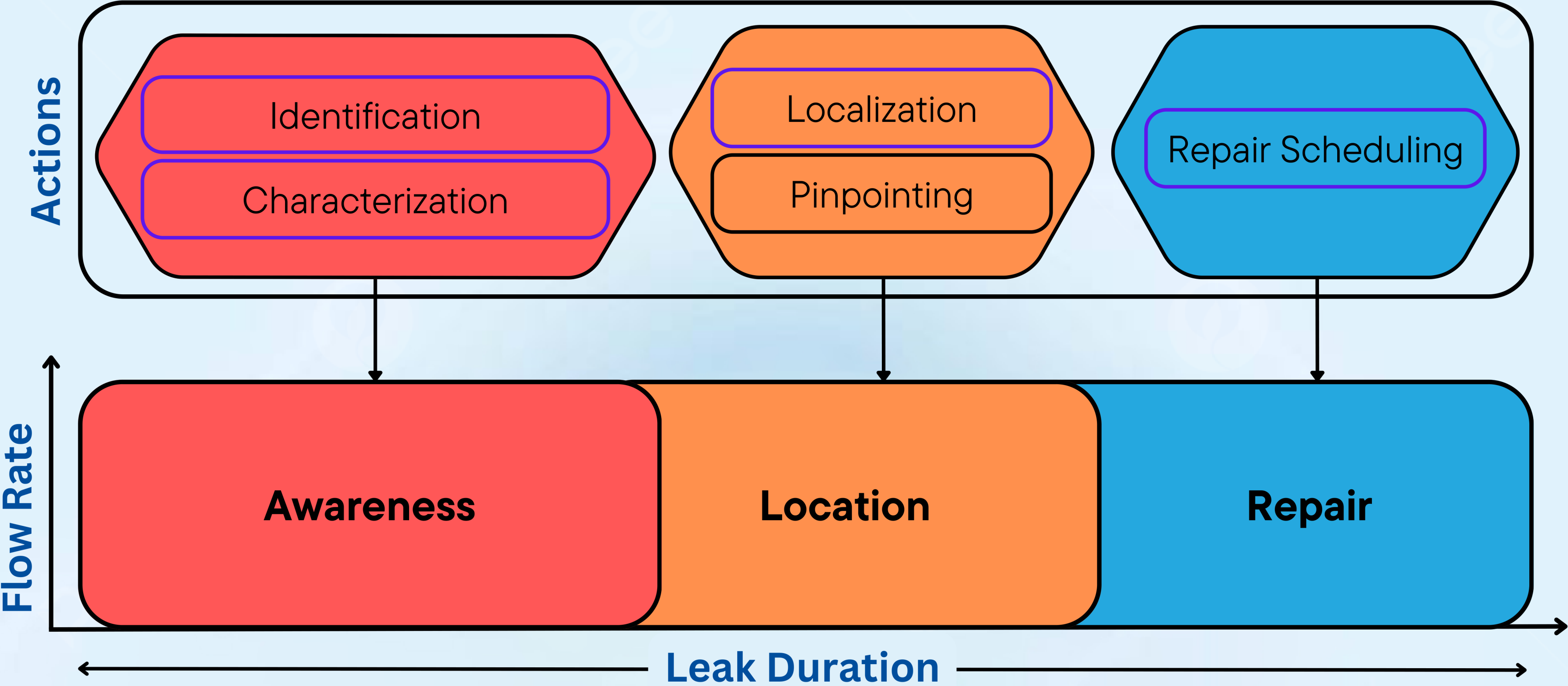
Leakage Situation: County Breakdown



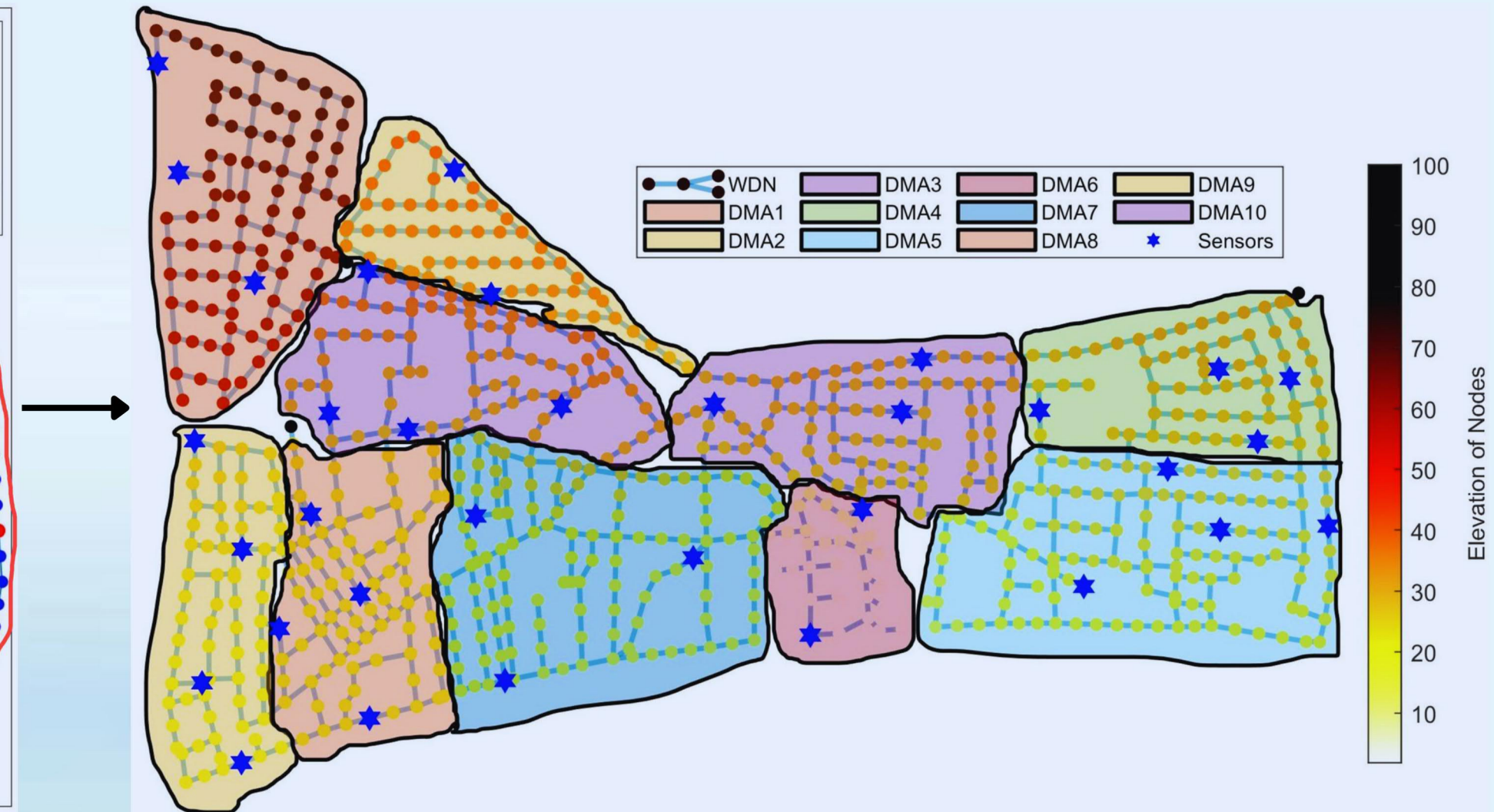
Impact of Leakages -2022



Towards Active Leakage Detection



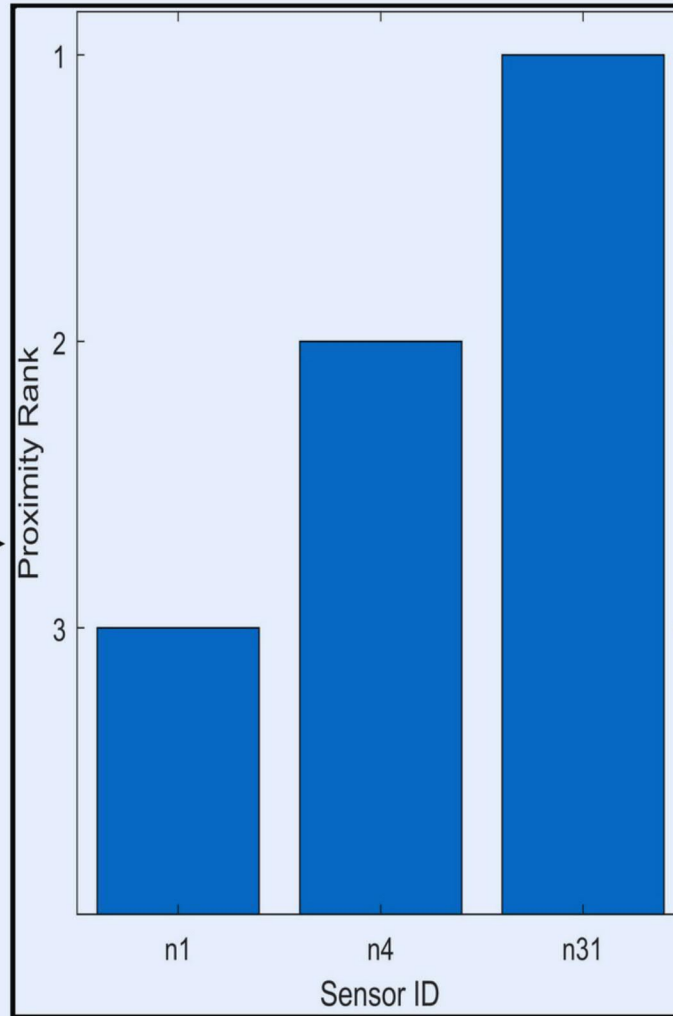
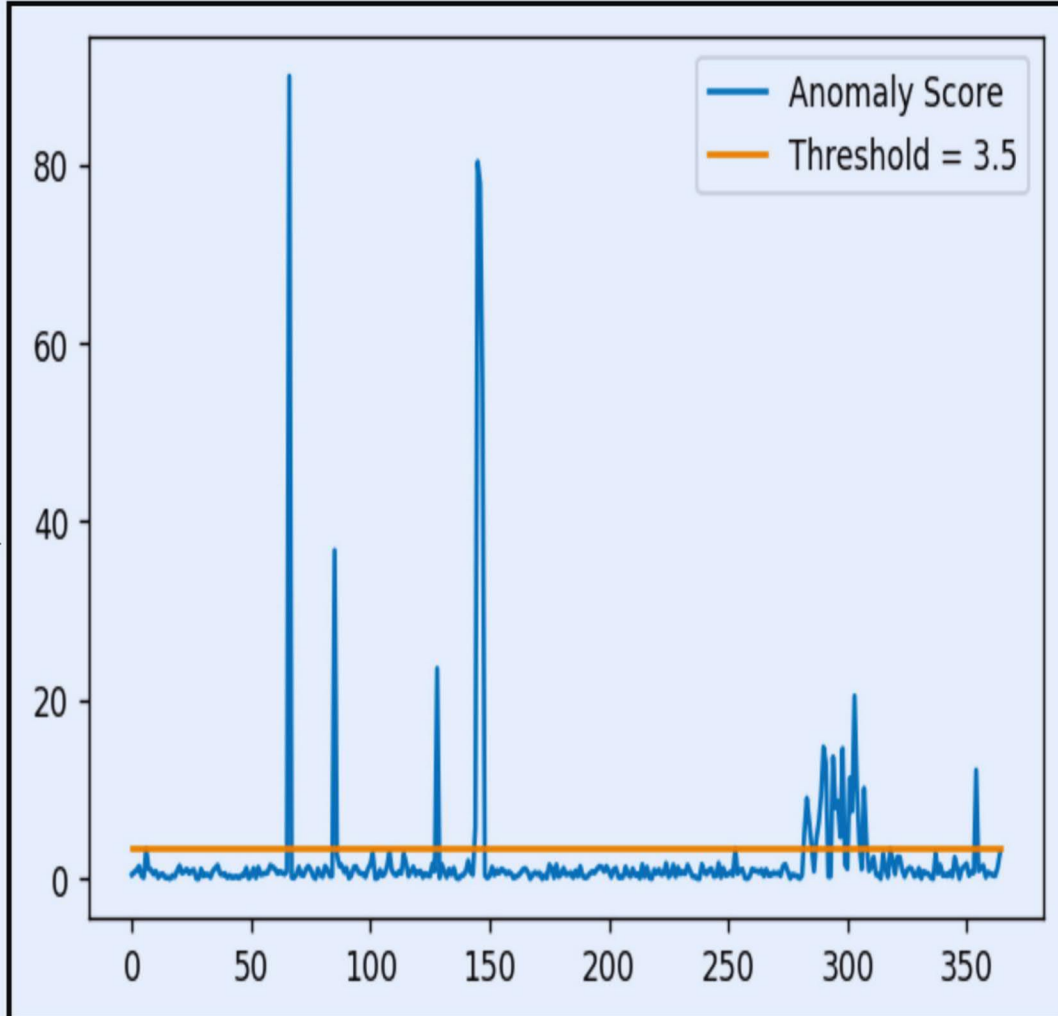
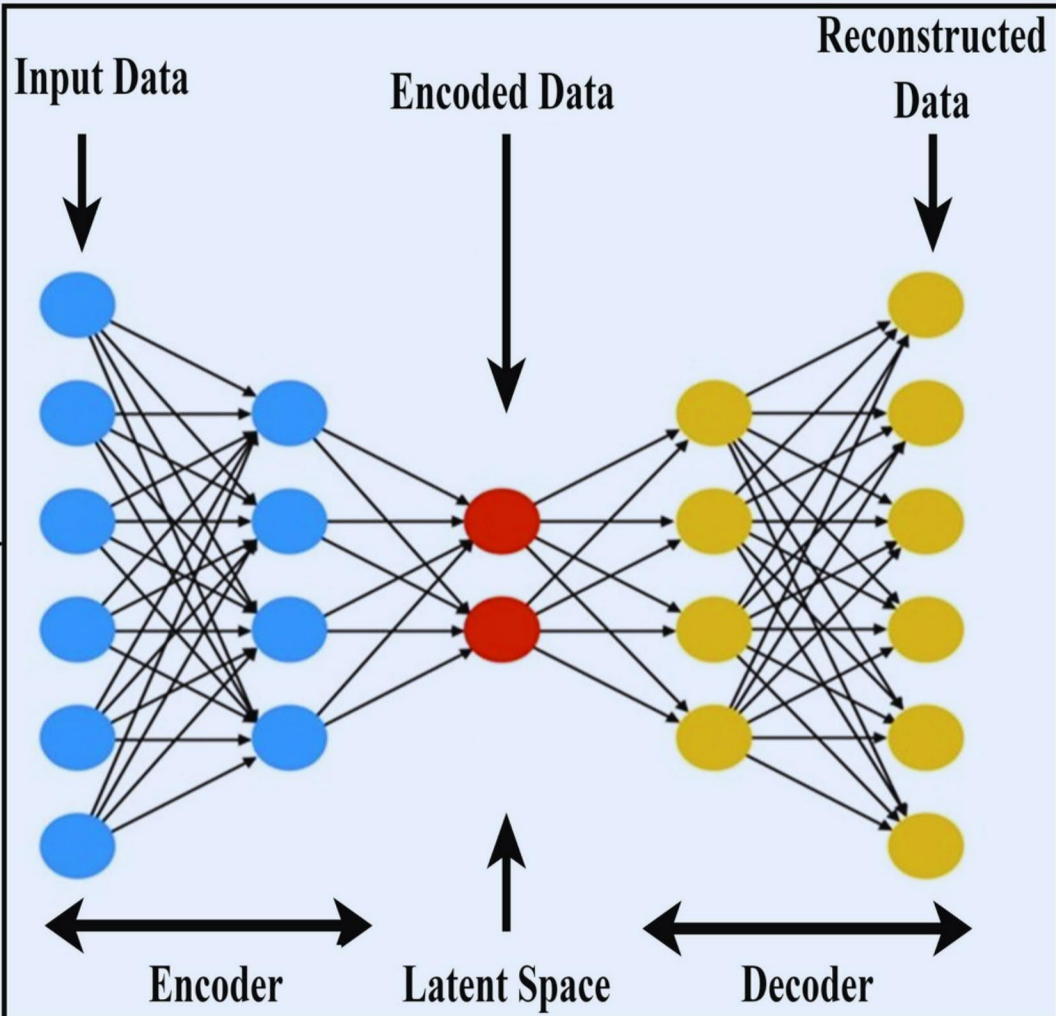
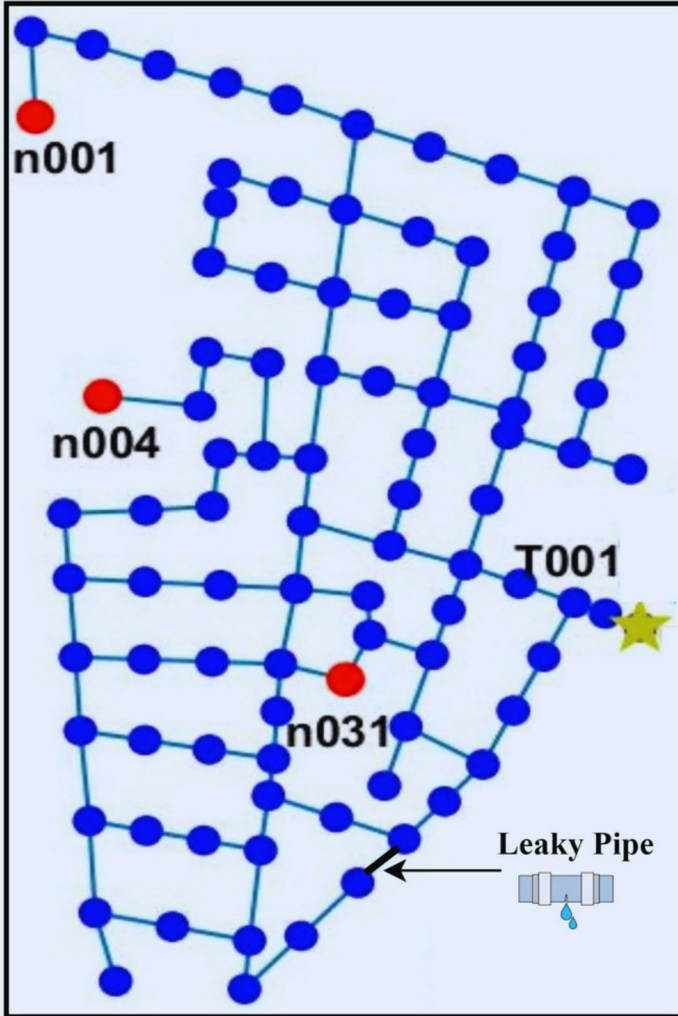
Pressure Sensor Placement and Virtual DMAs



- Utilizing existing Flow meters
- NetFlow enhances scalability
- Identification of Leakages

- Tractable Features per vDMA
- Enhances Leak Localization
- Leakage Identification & Localization

Identification and Localization Framework



|| Purely Data Driven - No Hydraulic Models || Flow and Pressure Measurements Only ||

Leakage Repair Scheduling

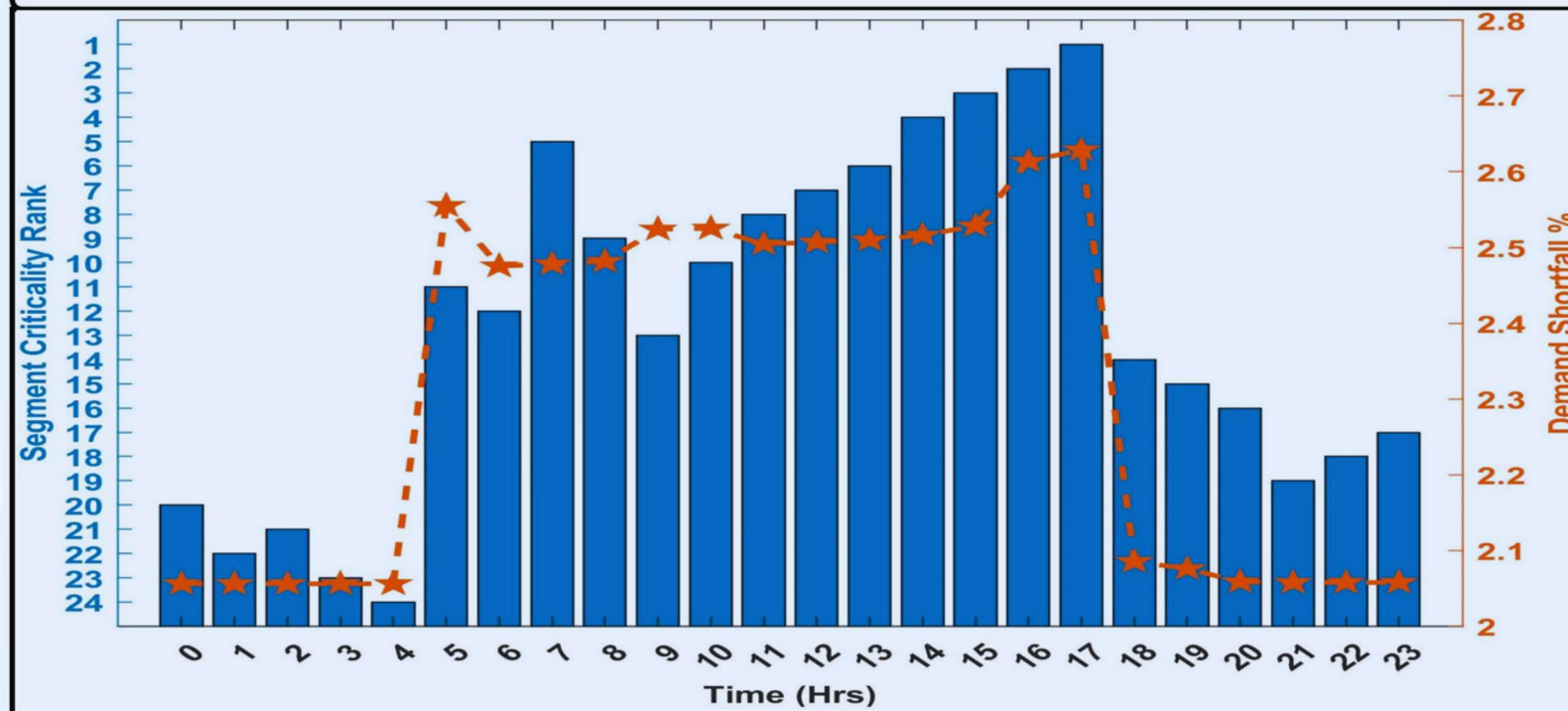
Pipe Junction Topology



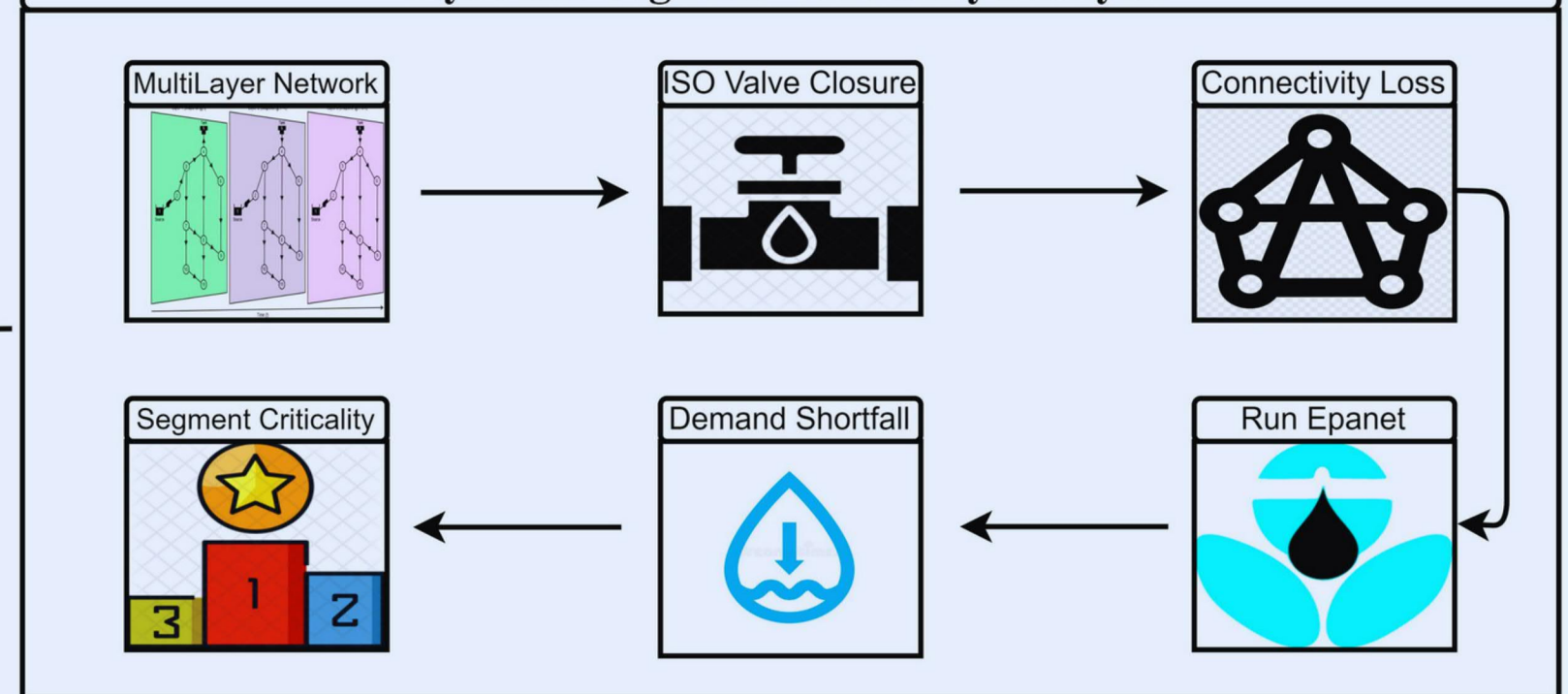
Segment Valve Topology



Visualization of Results



Dynamic Segment Criticality Analysis



Types of Leakages

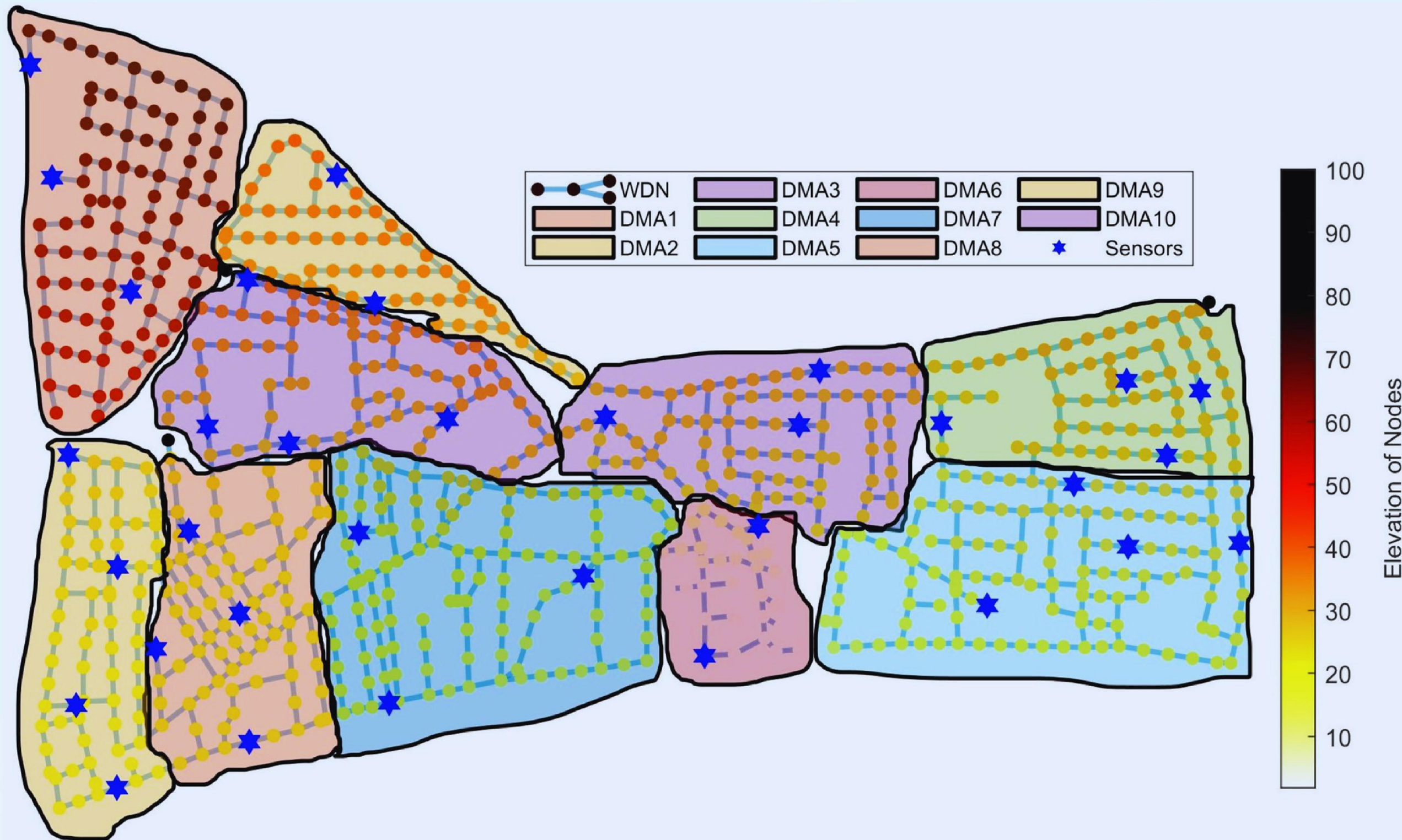
Abrupt Leakages: These are sudden leakages that occur in WDN usually resulting in large flow volumes within a very short period. Results in significant change in flow and pressure.



Incipient Leakages: These are leakages that grow over time. They normally start as background leakages but grow either linearly (metal pipes) or exponentially (plastic pipes) with time.

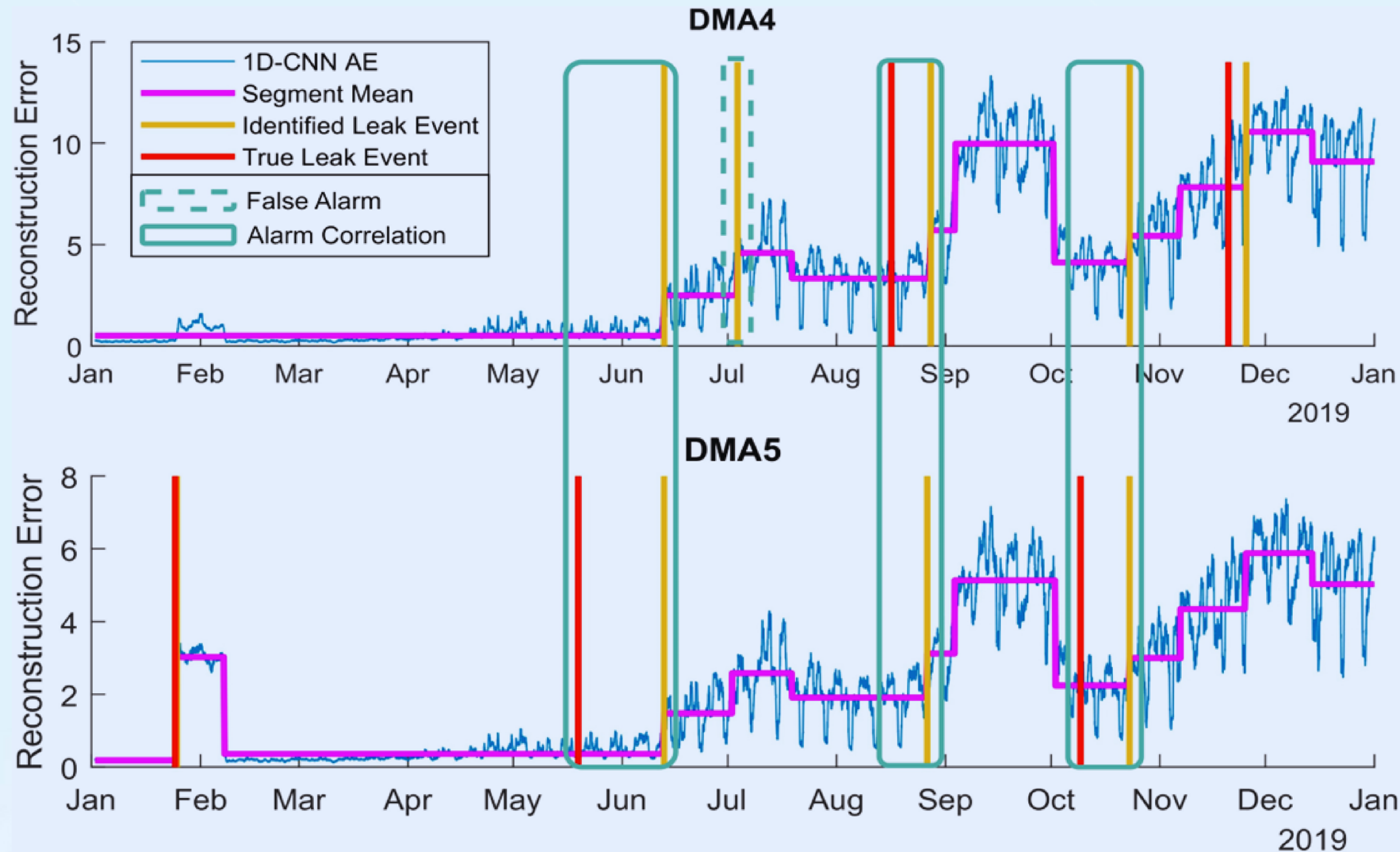


Benchmark Validation: BattLeDIM



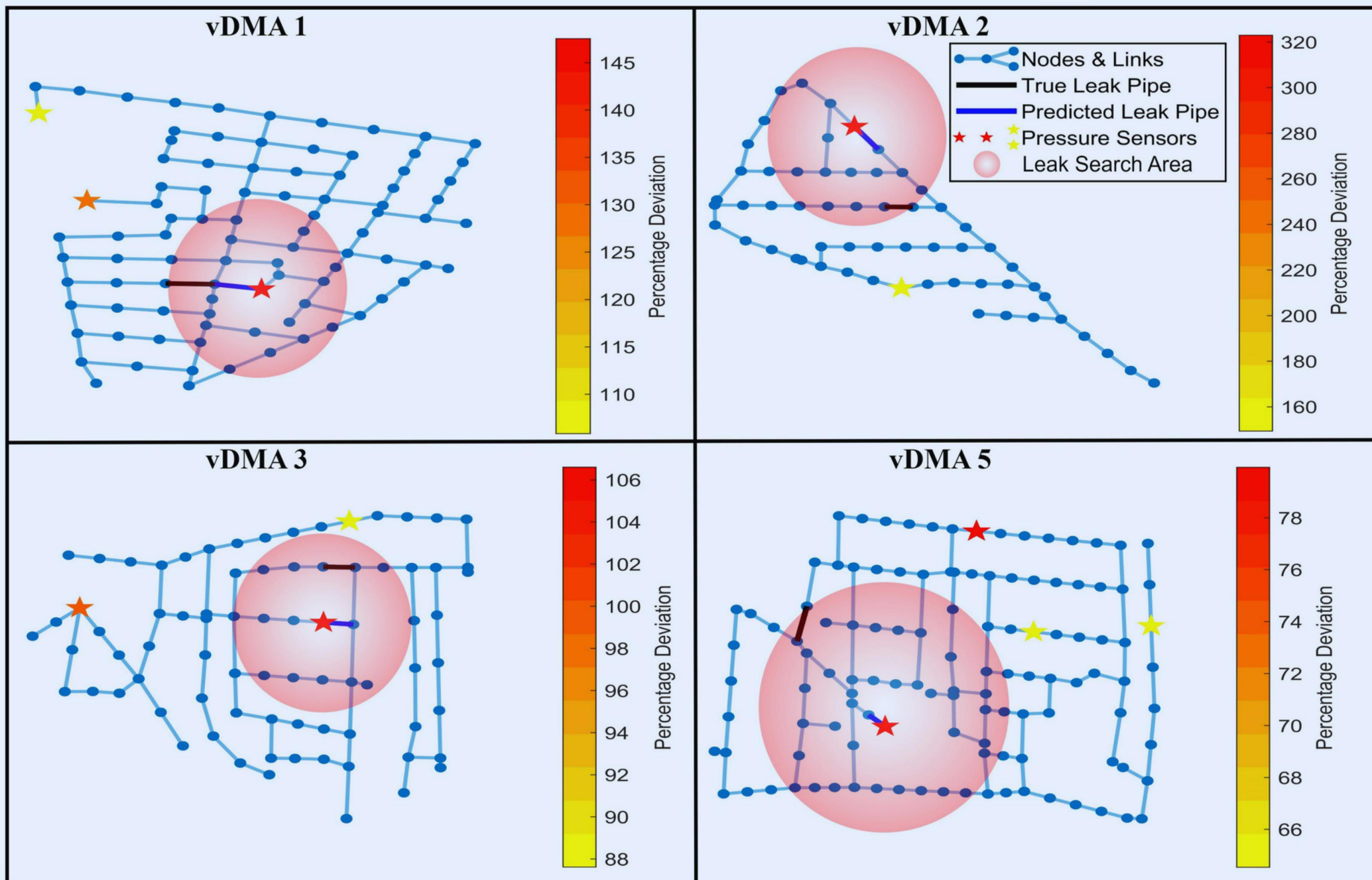
- **Three (3) distinct zones**
 - 10 virtual DMAs
- **19 Independent Leaks**
 - 9 Abrupt Leakages
 - 10 incipient leakages
- **1 year SCADA data**
 - Flow & Pressure
 - 5 minutes interval
- **Stochastic Demand**

Leak Identification Results



- **Purely Data Driven**
- **Robust against Drifts**
 - Multivariate Data
- **Alarm Correlation**
 - Neighbouring vDMAs
 - Leak Growth Rate
- **Prompt Identification**
 - Abrupt Leakages
- **Lagged Identification**
 - Incipient leakages

Leak Localization Results



- **Pressure Sensor ID Prioritization**

- Highest deviations implies leak in vicinity
- Lowest deviations implies leak further away

- **Predicted Leak Pipe**

- Pipe ID closest to the Sensor ID
- **Failure history of Pipes in vicinity of Sensor**

- **Leak Search Area Reduction**

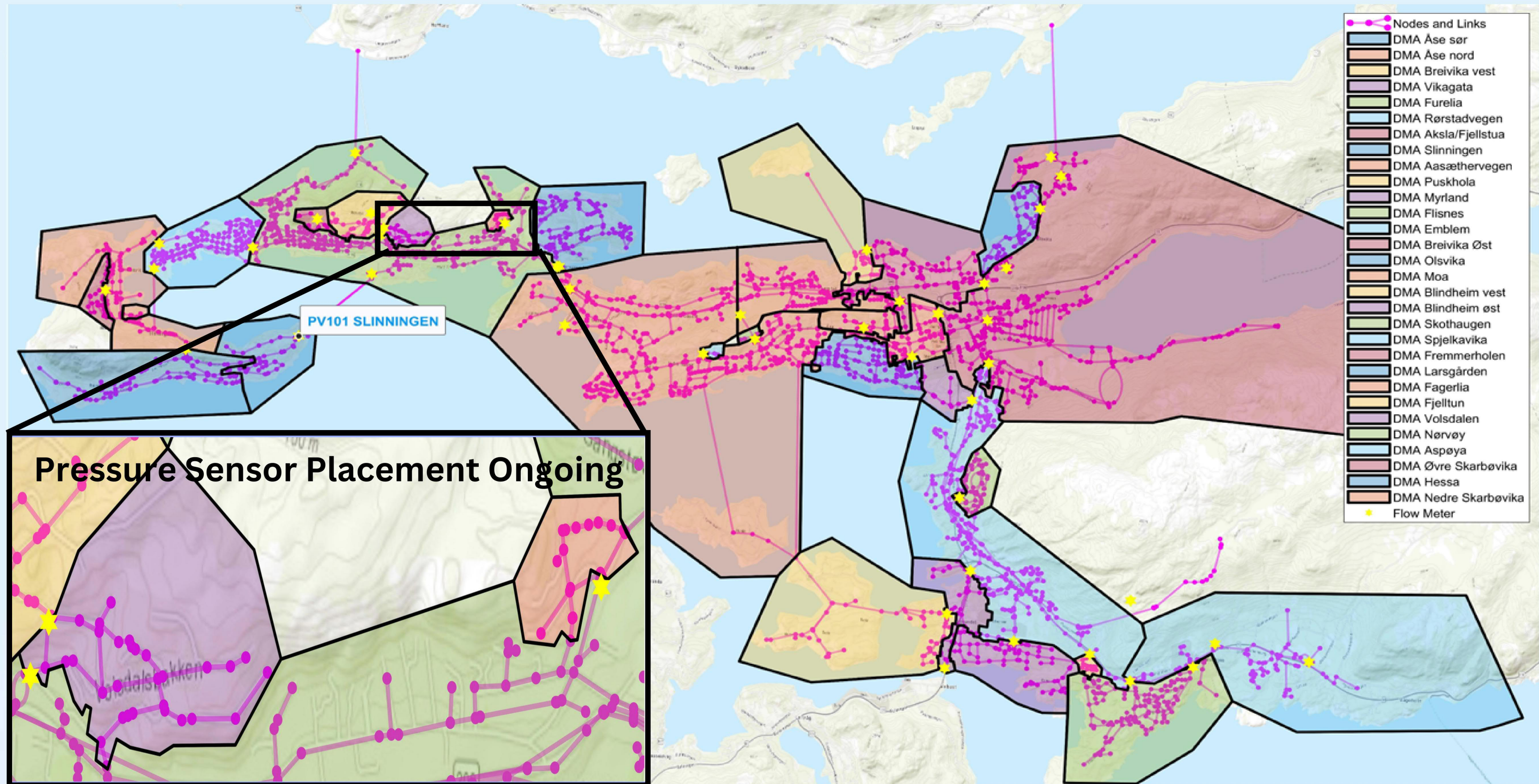
- Less than 1 km depending on sparsity of pressure sensors in the vDMA

Results Summary

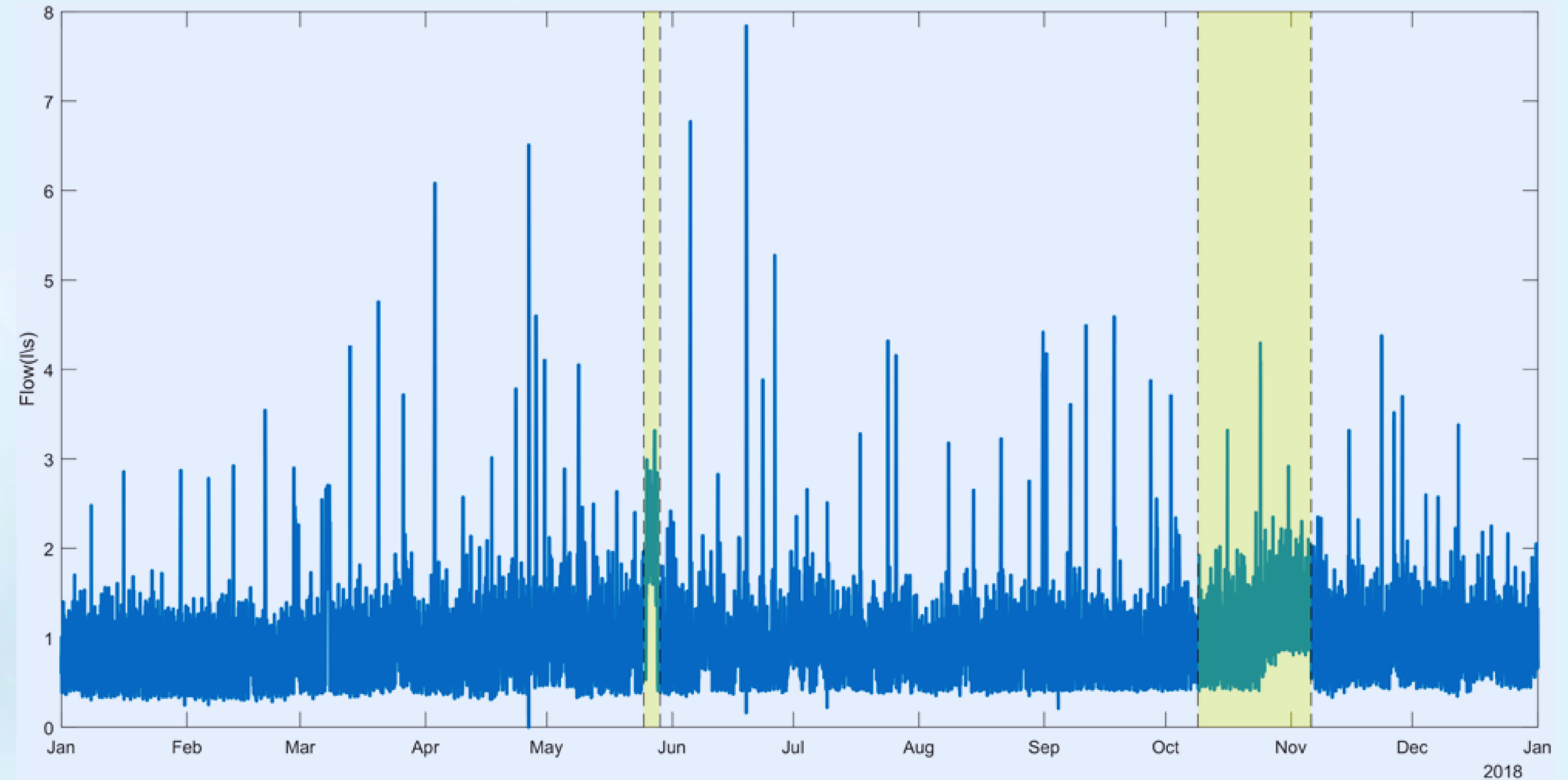
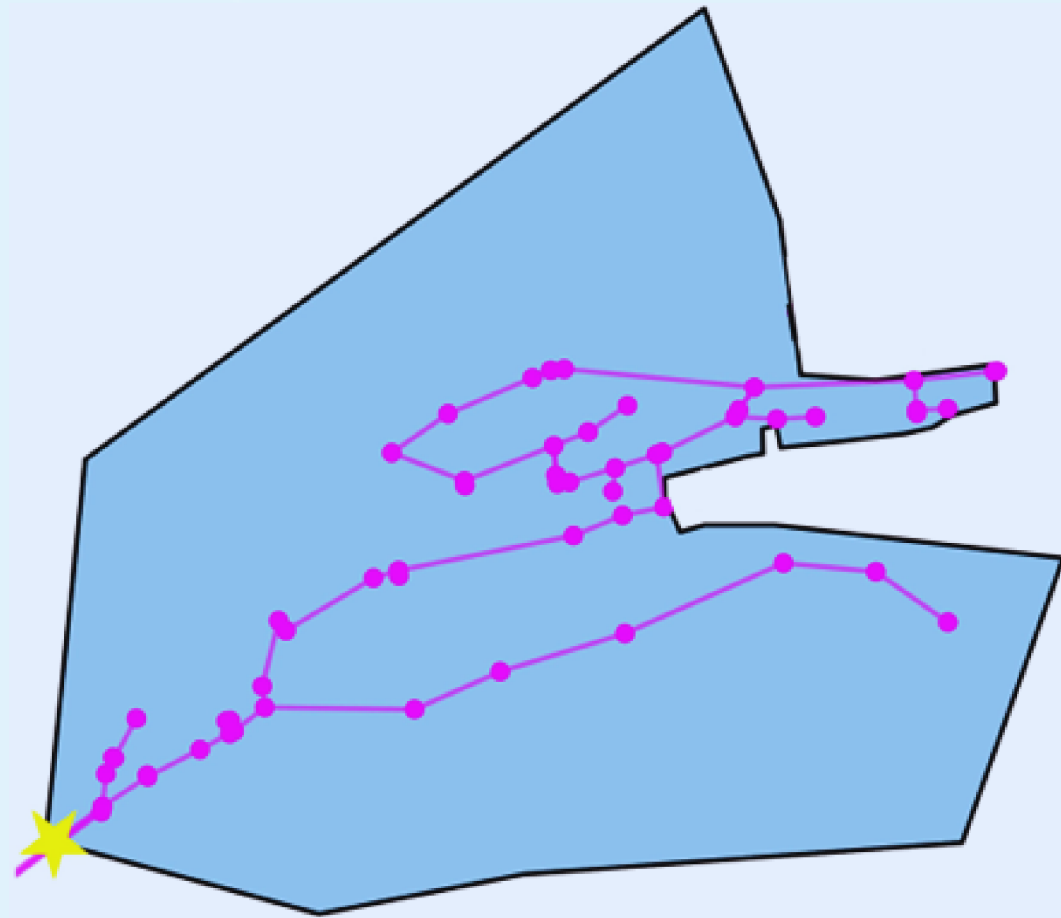
Study	Methodology	Identified Leaks	Localized Leaks	False Positives	Economic Score
Daniel et al. (2022)	hybrid	19	17	0	€ 307,852
Tornyeviadzi et al. (2023)	data-driven	16	13	5	€ 246,555
Romero et al. (2022)	hybrid	12	10	1	€ 210,772
Wang et al. (2022)	model-based	16	8	5	€ 167,981
Ma et al. (2022)	hybrid	8	6	2	€ 96,666
Huang et al. (2022)	hybrid	10	7	2	Unreported

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Real-life Validation: Ålesund WDN



Night Flow Analysis in DMA 8

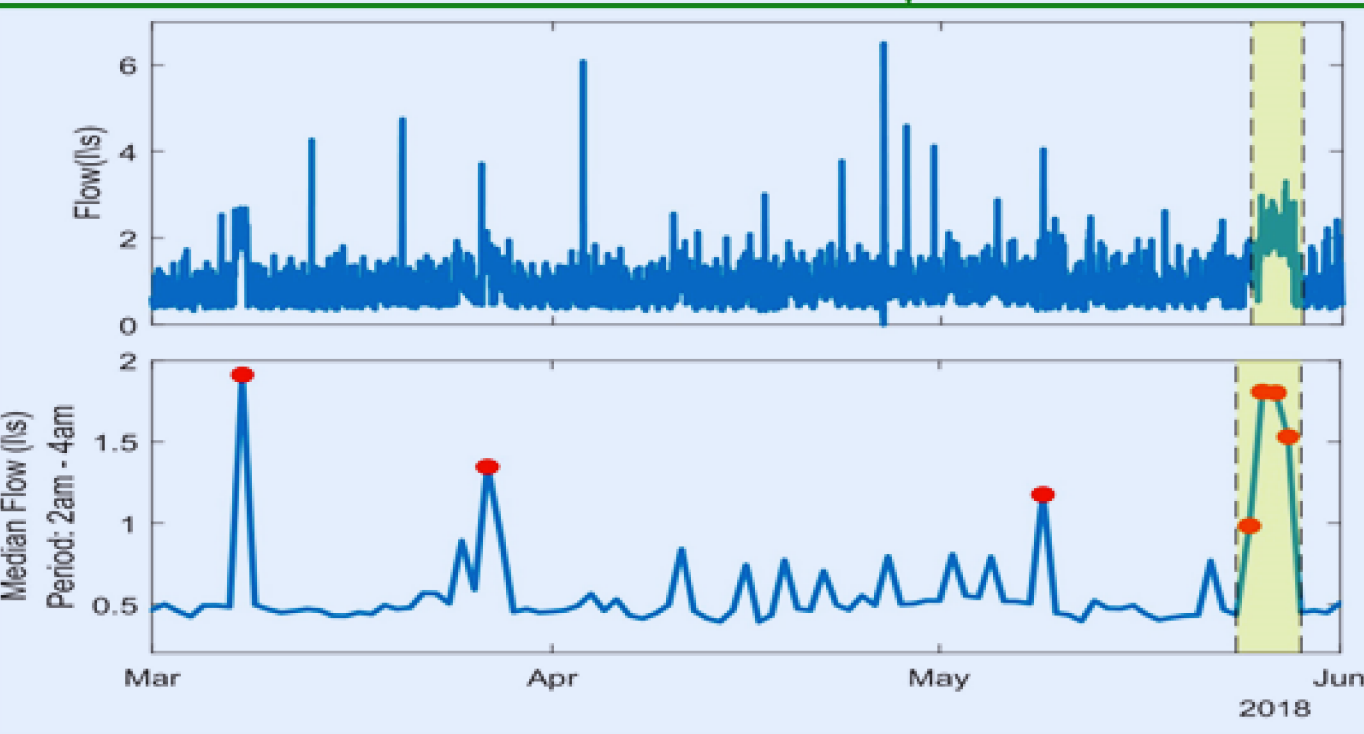
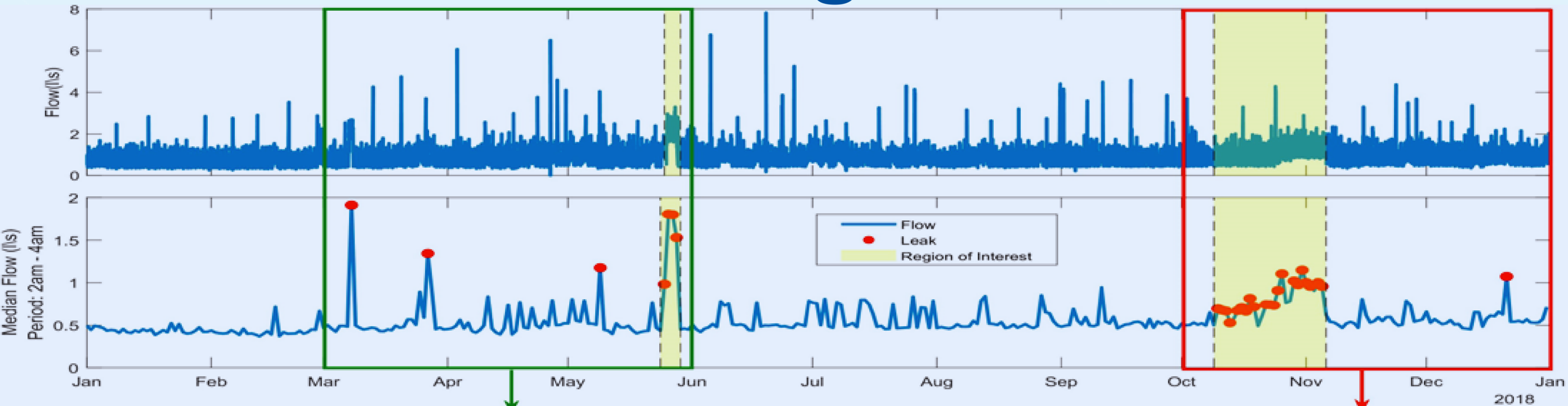


- Small Residential DMA
- 1 year Flow Data
- Stochastic Demand
- Number of Leaks: 2

Start: 26-05-2018
End: 29-05-2018

Start: 10-10-2018
End: 05-11-2018

Leakage Identification

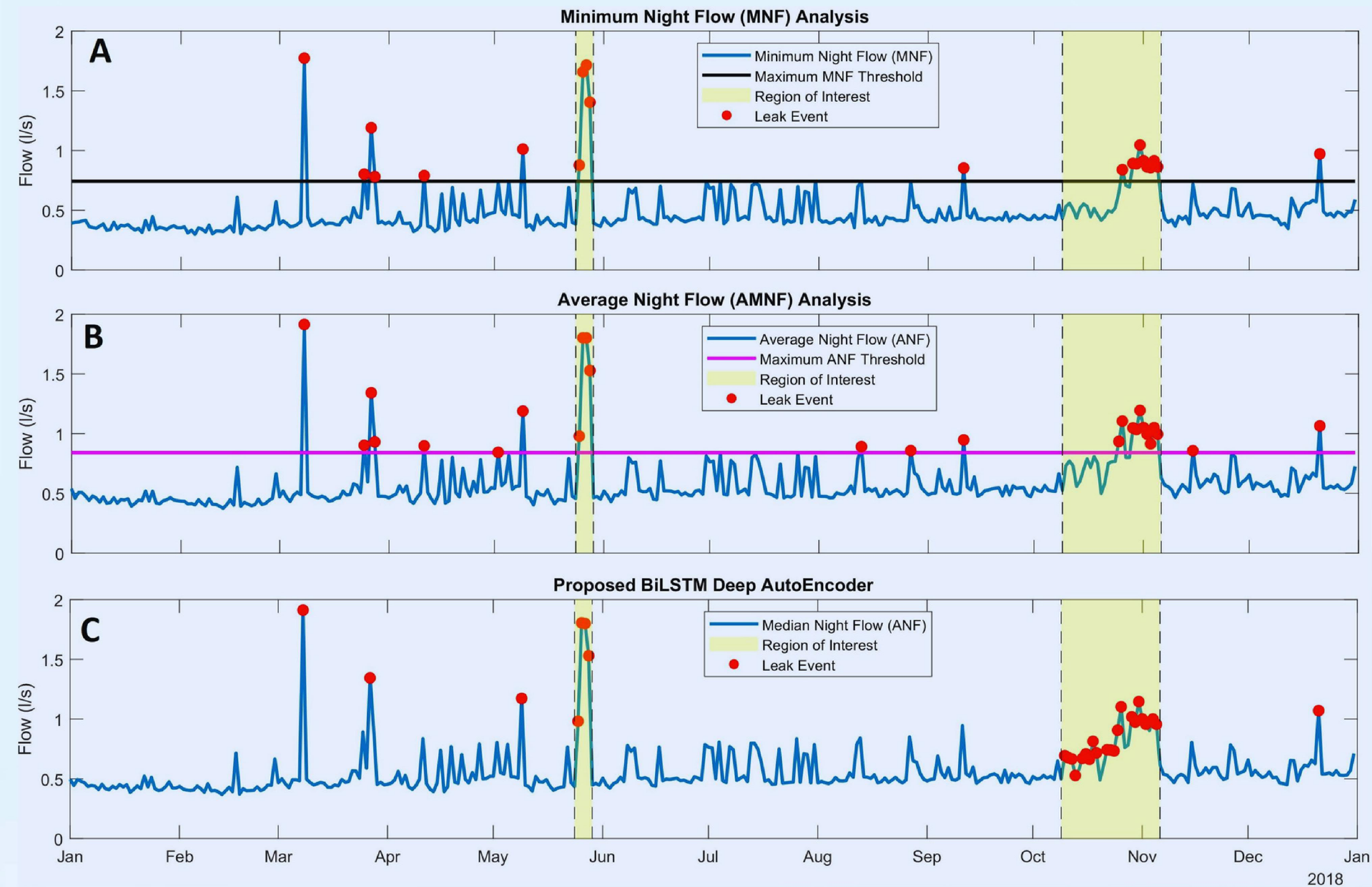


Start: 26-05-2018
End: 29-05-2018

Start: 11-10-2018
End: 05-11-2018

Model	1D-CNN Deep AE
Precision	0.8621
F Score	0.8562
PR AUC Score	0.6232
Time Lag	1 day(s)

Comparative Performance



Model	MNF	ANF	Deep AE
Recall	0.4194	0.4516	0.8065
Precision	0.6191	0.5385	0.8621
F beta Score	0.5910	0.5283	0.8562
PR AUC Score	0.4142	0.4884	0.6232
Identification Time Lag	16 days	15 days	1 day
Leak Savings	~ 16,000 NOK	~ 17,000 NOK	~ 30,000 NOK

General Performance & Leak Savings

DMA Name	DMA Type	Recall	Precision	F beta Score	PR AUC Score	Identification Lag Time	Leak Savings
DMA 8	Residential	0.8065	0.8621	0.8562	0.6232	1 day	~ 30,000 NOK
DMA 26	Commercial + Tank	0.9226	0.9687	0.9639	0.9048	2 days	~ 25,000 NOK
DMA 5	Industrial	0.8469	1.0	0.9822	0.8147	4 days	~ 52,000 NOK

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Independent Validation: Bømlo WDN

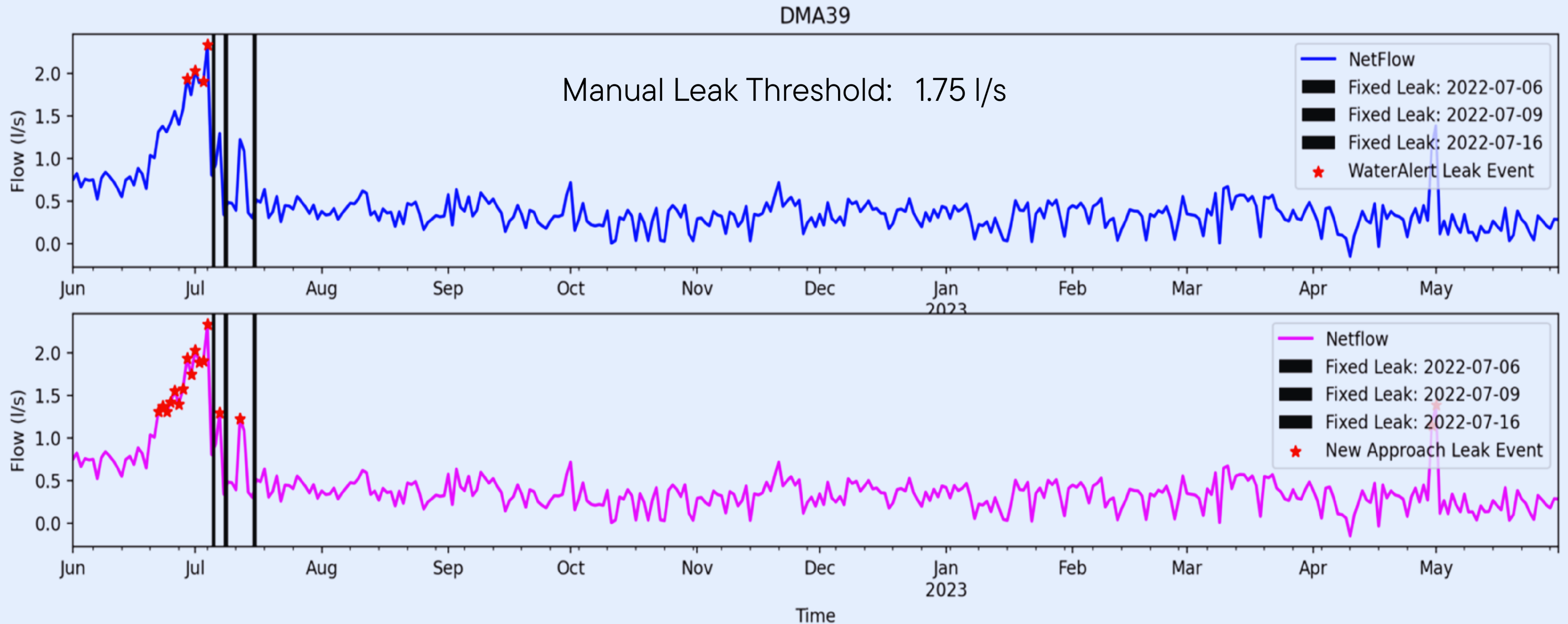
The screenshot displays the Gemini Water Alert 1.16.2 interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Alarm, Leakage Level, powelbvavann, English, Information, Hoese Michel Tornyeviadzi, and Log Out. The main area shows a map of Bømlo WDN with various alert zones highlighted in red and grey. On the right is an Alarm Log table showing 465 alarms.

Three (3) types of Leak Alerts

1. **Night Alerts**
2. **24/7 Alerts**
3. **Momentary Alerts**

Status	Type	DMA	Start	Stop
●	24/7	37	07/08/2023	
●	24/7	79	07/08/2023	07/08/2023
●	Natt	13	07/08/2023	
●	Natt	26	07/08/2023	
●	Natt	54	07/08/2023	
●	Momentan	48	06/08/2023	06/08/2023
●	24/7	48	06/08/2023	06/08/2023
●	24/7	16	06/08/2023	
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●	Natt	33	05/08/2023	
●	Natt	14	05/08/2023	
●	Natt	13	05/08/2023	
●	Natt	52	05/08/2023	
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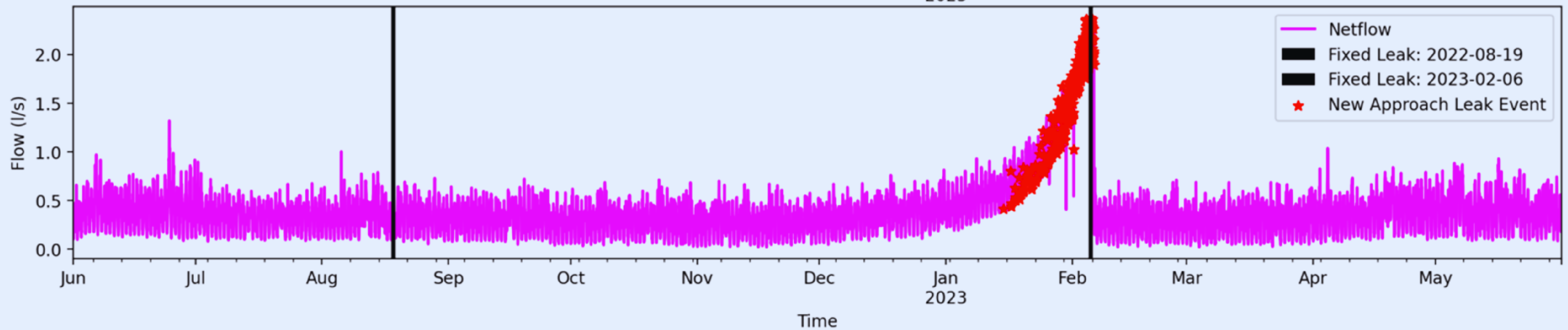
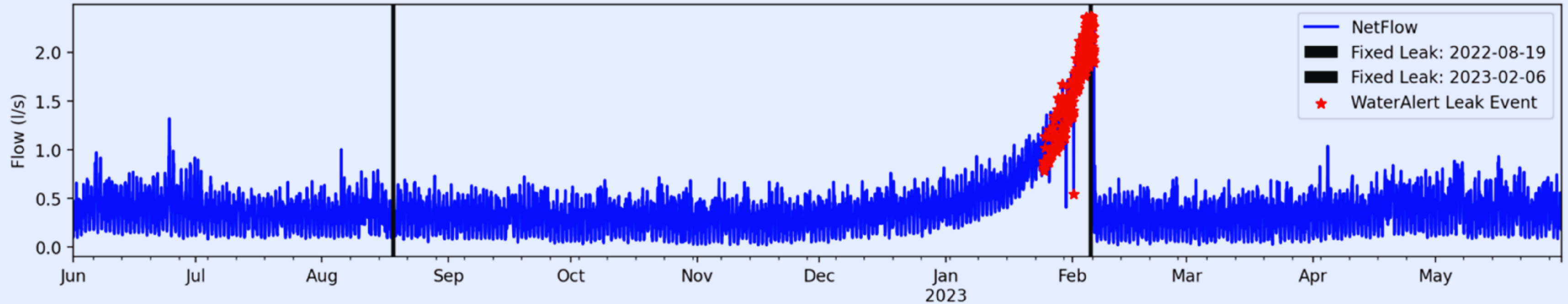
Night Flow Alerts: Incipient



|| 7 days (1 week) earlier alerts || Leak Savings: ~ 180,000 NOK ||

24/7 Alerts: Incipient

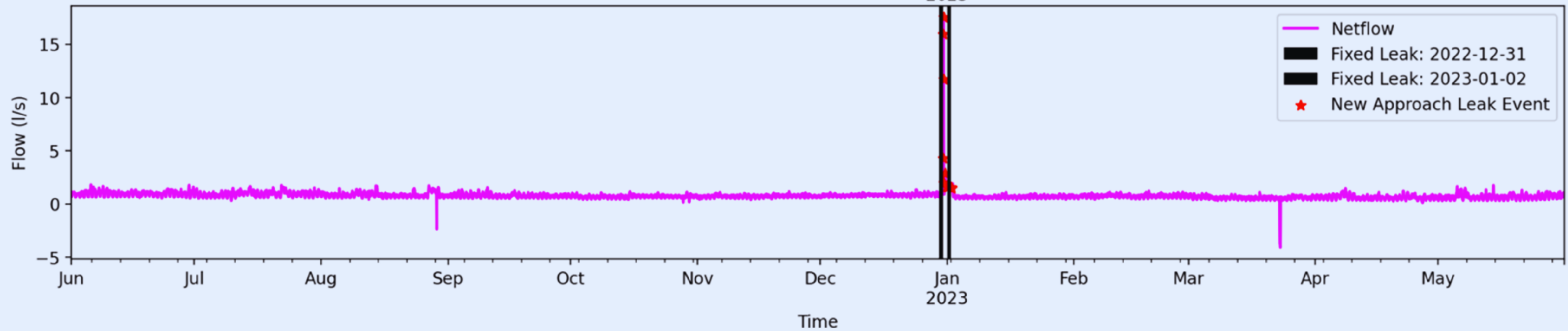
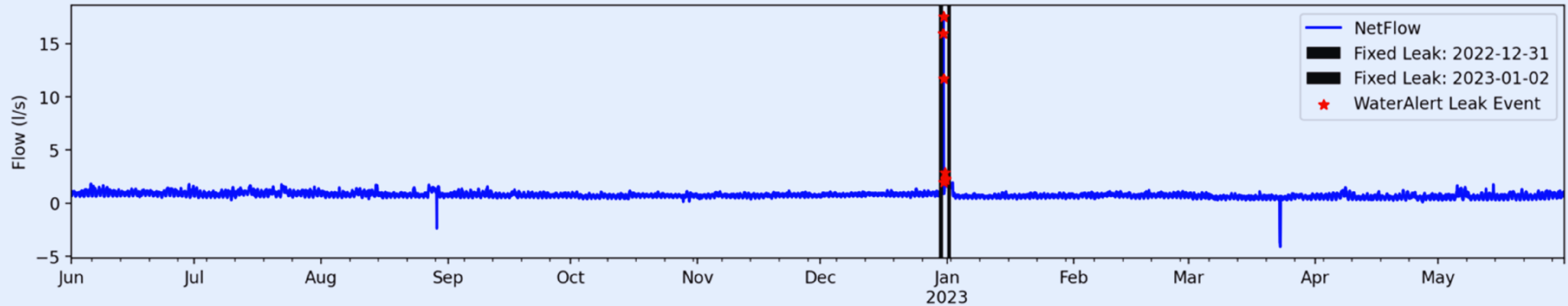
DMA9



|| 1 week plus earlier alerts || Leak Savings: ~ 75,000 NOK ||

24/7 Alerts: Abrupt

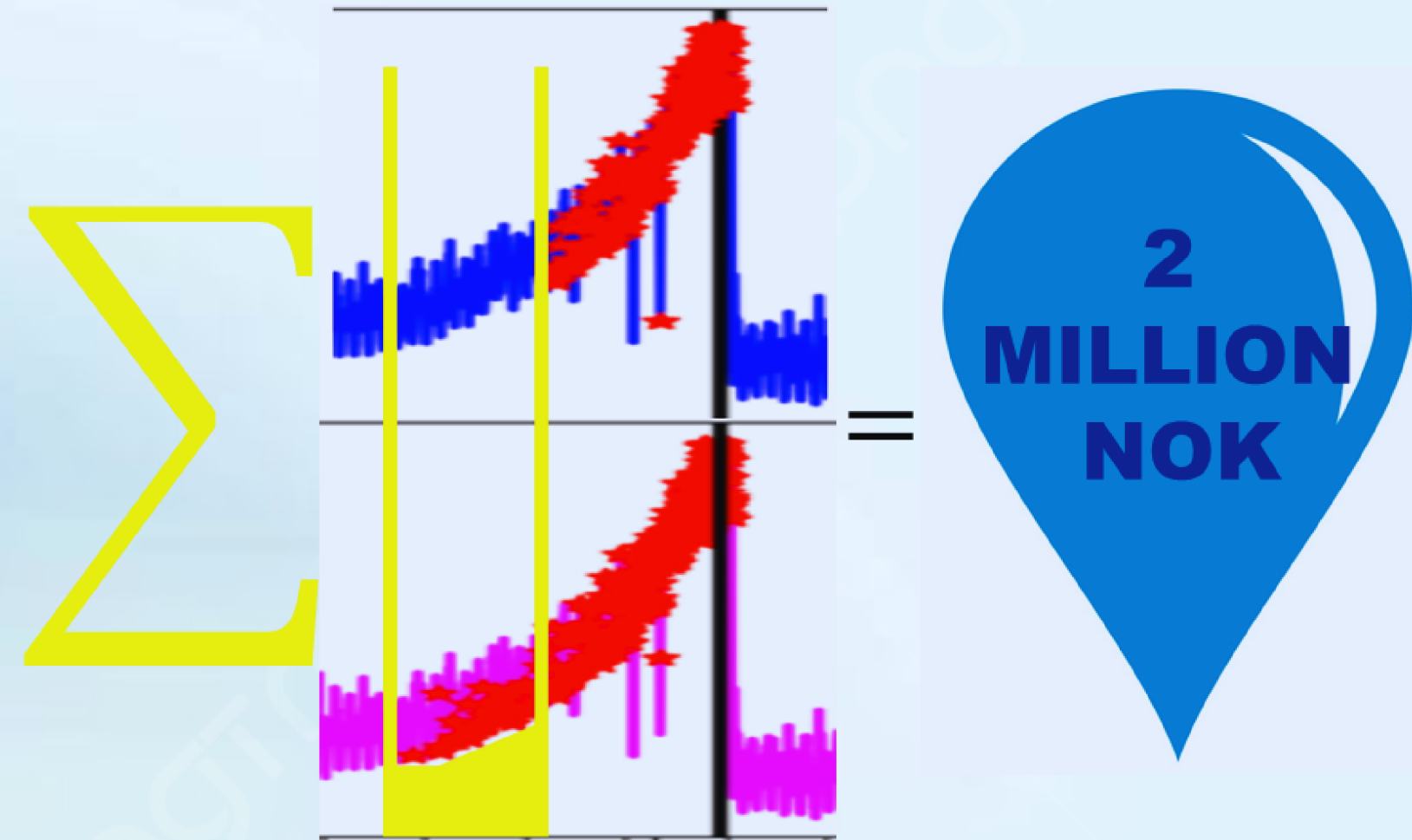
DMA26



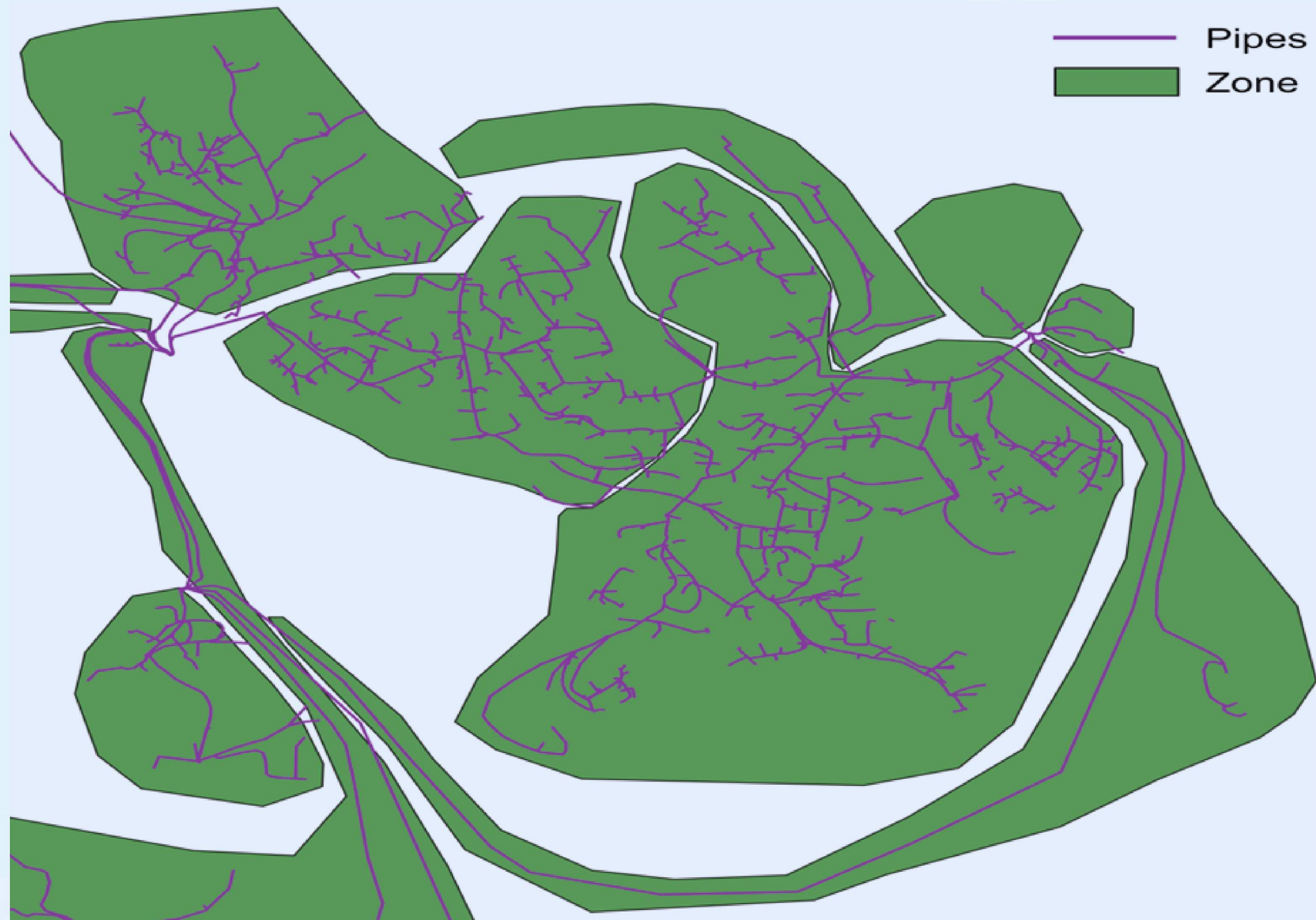
|| Prompt Identification || Similar Performance ||

Conservative Leak Savings for Bømlo

- 45 breaks over a year period (June 22 – May 23)
- 36 independent (unique) pipe breaks
 - 20 Incipient Leakages
 - 16 Abrupt Leakages
- Early Awareness Savings = $\sum_{i=1}^{20} TD_i \times V_i \times W_{\text{cost}}$
 - TD = Identification Time Difference
 - V_i = Volume of Water Lost
 - Average Cost of Water per m^3



Scalability to Different DMAs



DMA (zone) Types:

1. Residential zones
2. Commercial zones
3. Industrial zones

Differences in:

1. Topology
2. Hydraulics
3. Demand Patterns

Currently ML models are built per DMA. Consider

1. **200 water utilities** (tenants)
 - a. Each with **50 DMAs**
2. Resulting in **10,000 ML models in Production**
 - a. Skyrocketing resource utilization

NOT SUSTAINABLE!!!

DMA Agnostic Solution

A single ML model that works different DMA types (residential, commercial & industrial) and Multiple Water Utilities.

APPROACH:

1. One generic model
2. For each DMA, a non-leak period is identified
3. The model is adapted to this data, **No Training Required**

Demo Link: <http://localhost:8501>

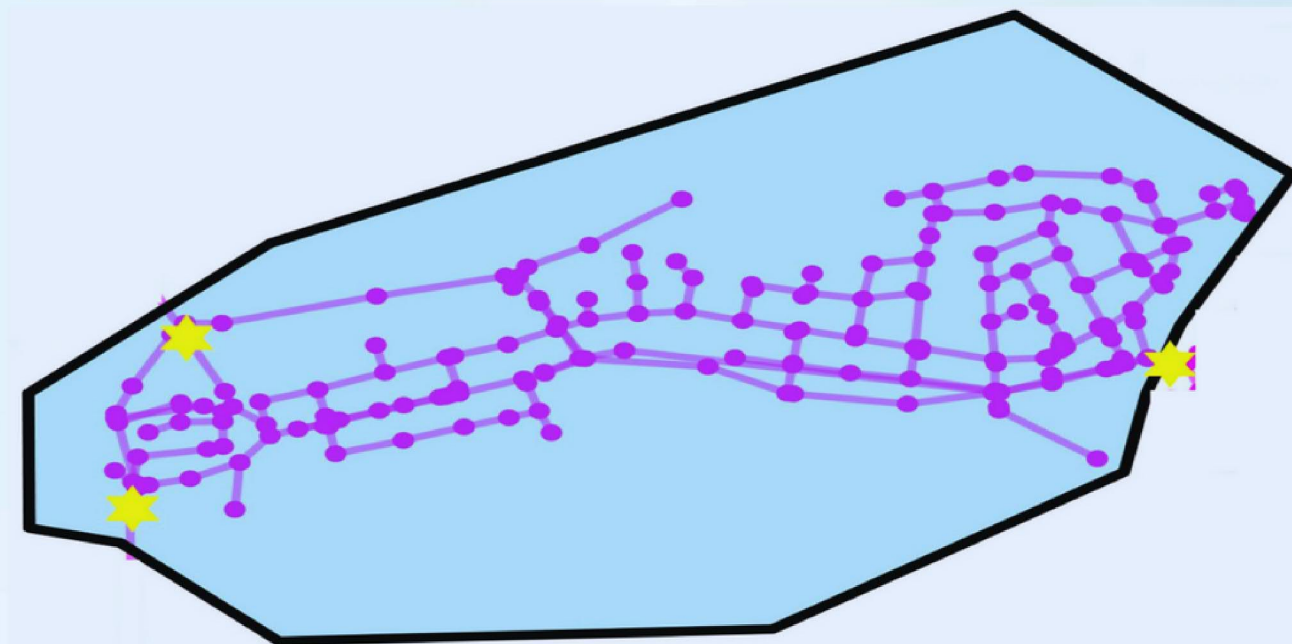
Case: Bømlo

No. DMAs: 75

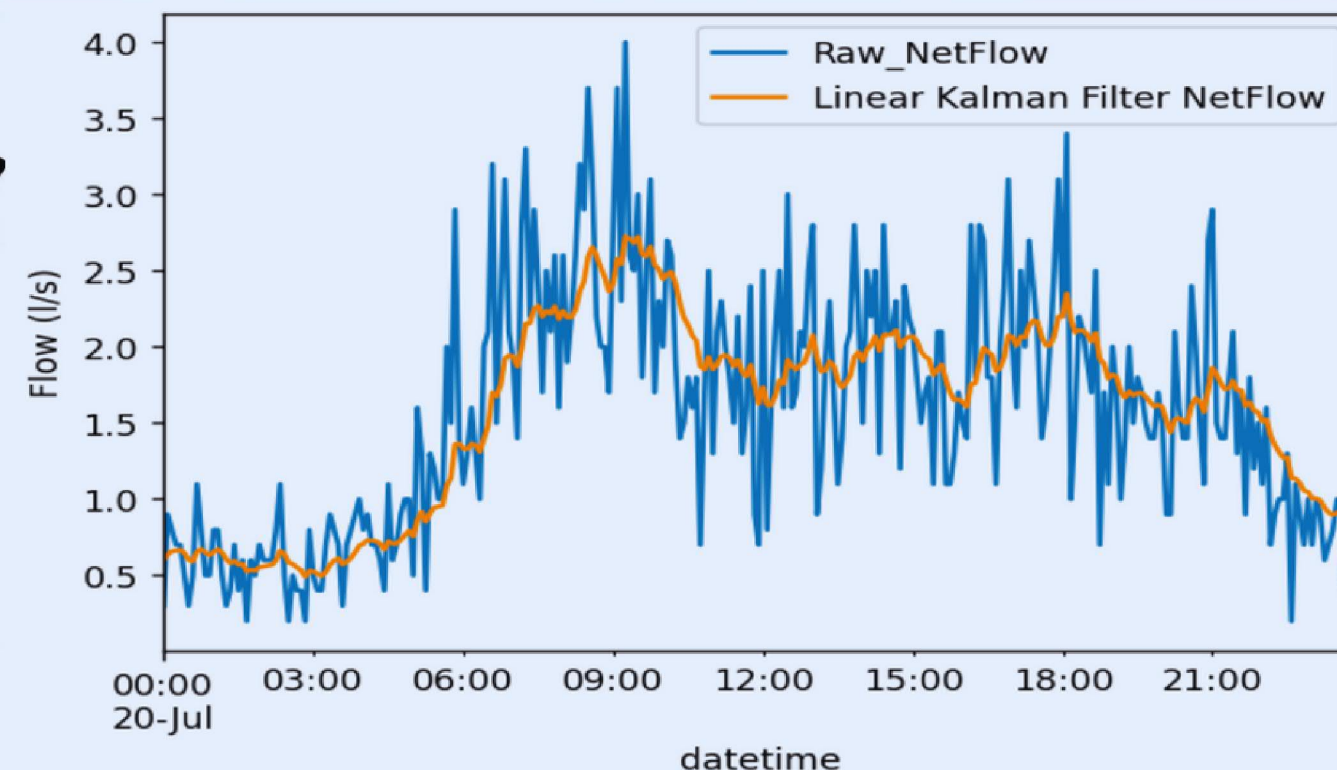
ML: 75 ML models in Production

Solution: DMA Agnostic ML

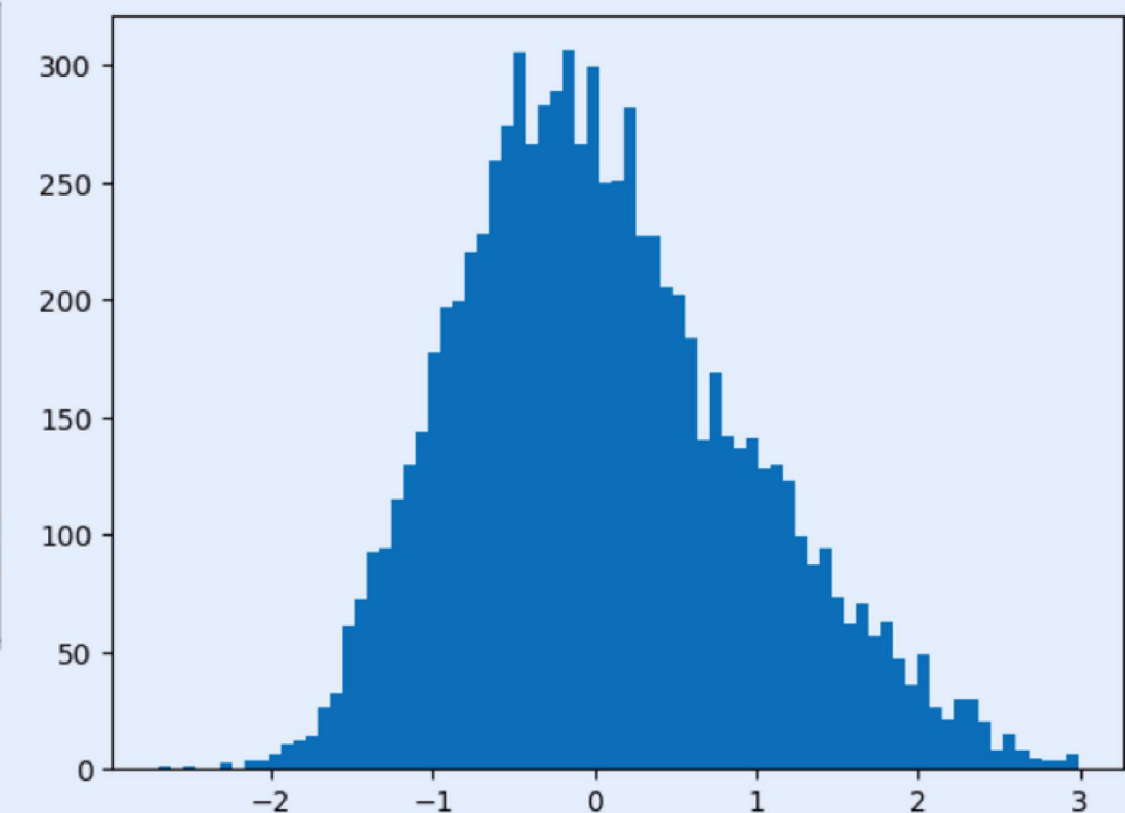
Model Count: 1 Model Model



$$\text{DMA NetFlow} = \sum_i^n \text{Inflow}_i - \sum_j^m \text{Outflow}_j$$



Novel Time Invariant Sequencing



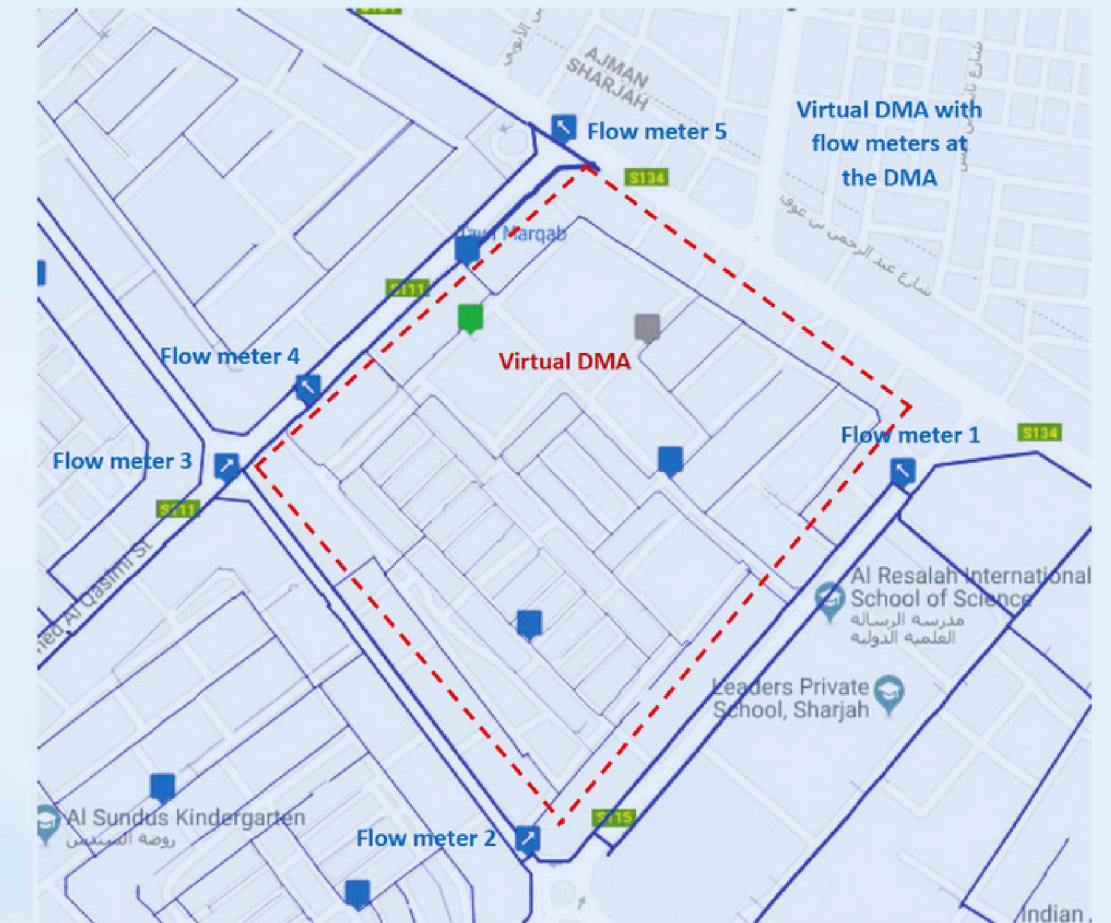
Key Accomplishments

- **A comprehensive framework for simultaneous Leakage Diagnosis in WDNs**
 - Flow Sensors: Leakage Identification
 - Flow & Pressure sensors: Leakage Identification & Localization
- **Robust ML Models for Night Flow Analysis and 24/7 Leak Alerts**
 - Incipient Leaks: minimum 1 week reduction in awareness time
 - Abrupt Leaks: Similar performance with enhance robustness
- **Solved Scalability Problem using DMA Agnostic ML Models**
 - From 75 models to at most 2 ML models in Production
 - Only 1 month data needed to onboard new DMAs
- **Implemented DMA Agnostic ML models in DataBricks Test Environment**



Implementation Requirements

- **Water Distribution Network Sectorization**
 - Physical District Metering Areas
 - Virtual District Metering Areas
- **Water Distribution Network Instrumentation**
 - Flow Sensors
 - Pressure Sensors
- **Solution Platform**
 - Deployment of Machine Learning Algorithms



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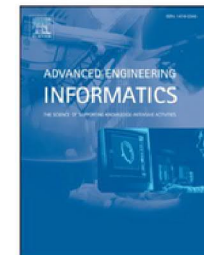


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