



# DATA VALIDATION AND RECONSTRUCTION FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION MONITORING SYSTEMS

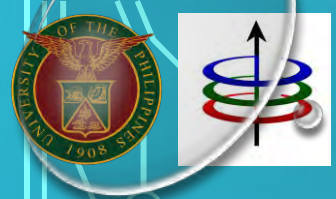
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# OUTLINE

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- Distributed Data Validation & Reconstruction
- Research Design & Results
- Conclusion



# INTRODUCTION

- Water Distribution System (WDS)
  - Provide sufficient supply of water to customers at an adequate pressure level [1]
  - Need operational data such as flow and pressure [1]
  - Network modeling, leakage management, resource planning [2]
- Water Distribution Monitoring System (WDMS) [2]
  - Flow meters and pressure sensors
  - Communication via wireless systems such as GSM/GPRS

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# ERRORS IN WDMS

- Substantial fraction of readings are erroneous or missing [3]
- Loss of data can have detrimental effects on the operation [4,5]
- There are methods for addressing data errors, but they are inadequate
  - Dependence on GSM/GPRS network, that is not always reliable
  - Does not support real-time applications [6]
- Need for a resilient method for overcoming sensor faults

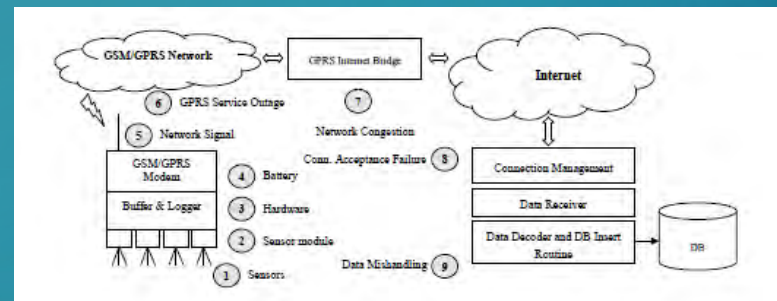


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# PROBLEM STATEMENT

- Aim
  - To provide a solution for validation and reconstruction of measurement data in a water distribution network, that is not dependent on server-side processing
- Research Objectives:
  - Formulation of method for data validation and reconstruction for a water distribution system
    - Distributed
    - Uses principles from conservation of mass and energy
  - Test performance for reduction of error



# DISTRIBUTED DATA VALIDATION & RECONSTRUCTION

- Overview

- Distributed approach to validating & reconstructing data
- Shift from centralized communication to wireless sensor networks
- Sensors communicate with each other to perform validation and replacement functions
- Validation and replacement of data are performed while data is passed along the network
- Use Laws of Conservation of Mass and Energy

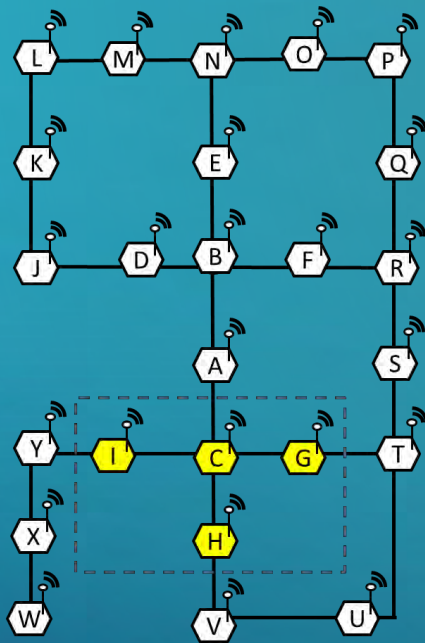
- Assumptions:

- Minor losses are insignificant
- Uniform velocity along a pipe (constant flow and pipe diameter)
- Pipe is full at all times (EPANET)
- Sensor node located where it can transmit to/receive from neighbors
- Prior knowledge of pipe parameters, neighbors
- Reliable communication system





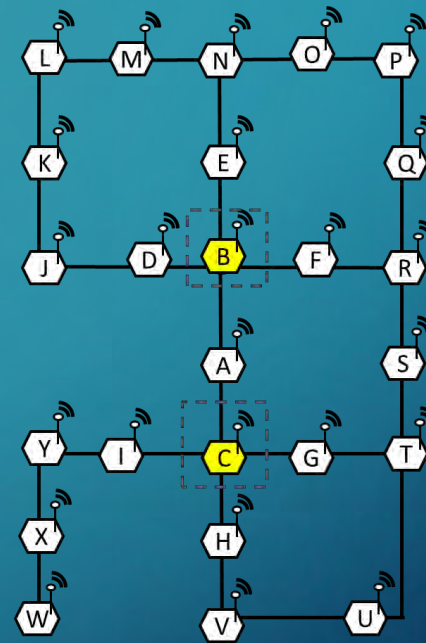
## Mass Balance Computation



$$Q_A = Q_D + Q_E + Q_F + D_B$$

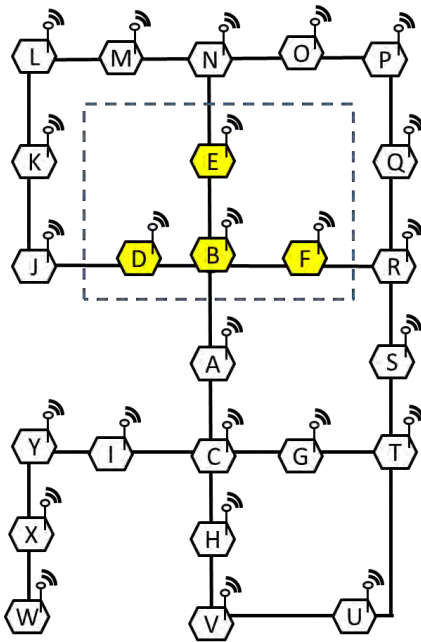
Sum and difference of flows from connected pipes

## Energy Balance Computation



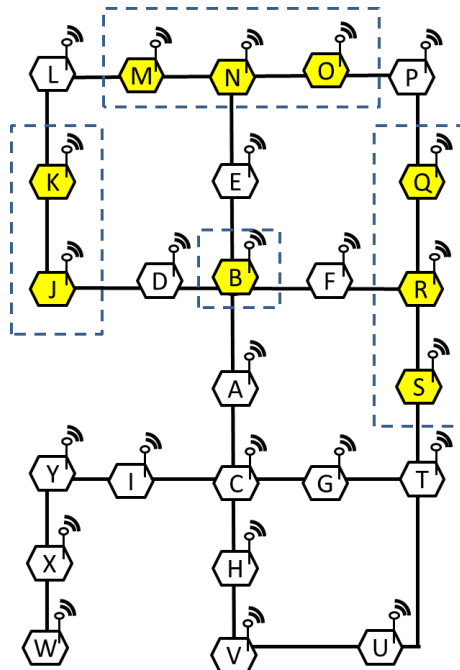
$$Q_A = \sqrt{\frac{1.852 \left( z_c + \frac{p_c}{\rho g} \right) - \left( z_B + \frac{p_B}{\rho g} \right)}{\left( \frac{L_A}{C_A^{1.852} D_A^{4.871}} \right)}}$$

Derived from measured values, known constants and pipe parameters



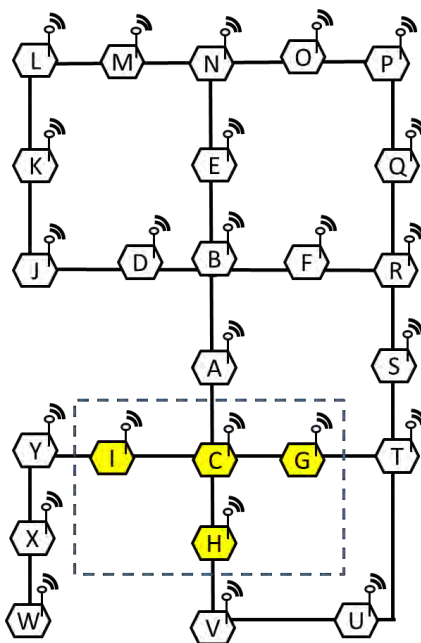
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Start Junction

$$Q_A = Q_G + Q_H + Q_I + D_C$$



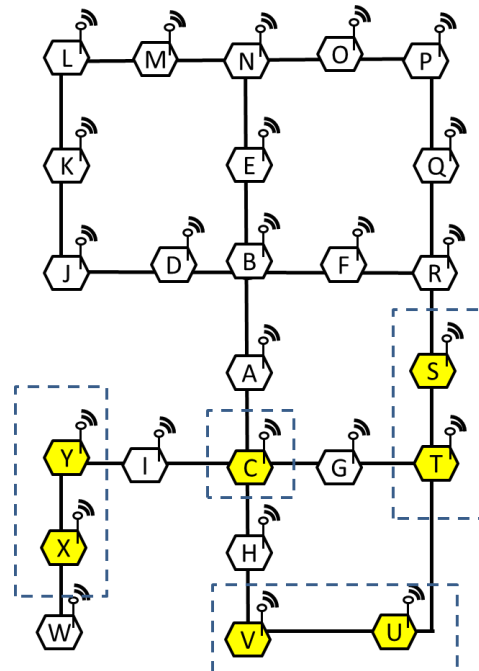
Level 2 MB at  
Start Junction

$$Q_A = Q_S + Q_U + Q_X + Q_Q + Q_S + D_C + D_T + D_V + D_Y$$



Level 1 MB at  
End Junction

$$Q_A = Q_D + Q_E + Q_F + D_B$$



Level 2 MB at  
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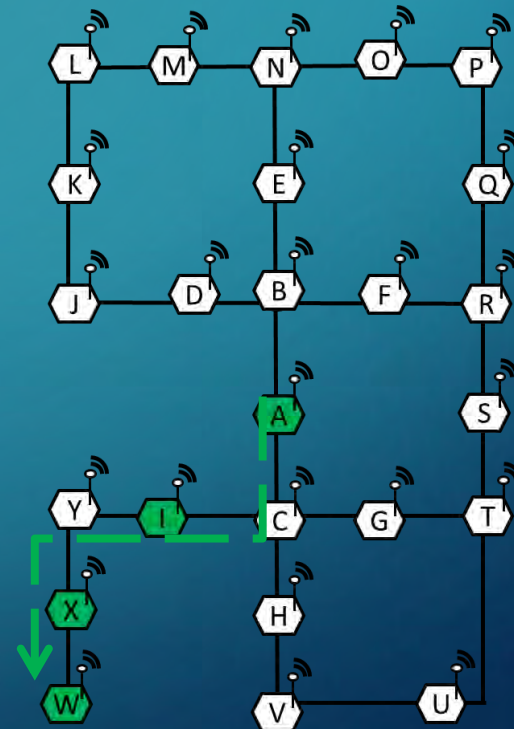
$$Q_A = Q_K + Q_M + Q_O + Q_Q + Q_S + D_B + D_J + D_N + D_R$$





# OPERATION

- Sensor node at **A** performs measurement
- **A** validates its data by communicating with nearby sensor nodes and determining a Validation Value
  - **B** and **C** to perform Energy Balance
  - **C**, **G**, **H** and **I** (or another set of nodes) to perform Mass Balance
- If **A** is found to be erroneous, it computes for a Replacement Value to replace the measured value
- After validation & reconstruction at **A**, **A** passes data to next node along the path
- Process repeats until all sensor nodes along path route, validate & if needed, repair, their data



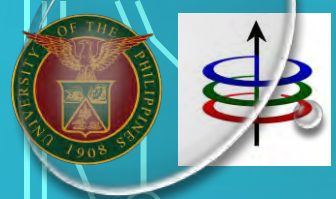


# ALGORITHM

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% SINK = destination of data, usually server or control point
% PATH = series of pipe sensor nodes towards SINK
% i = order of sensor node along PATH
% PATH(i) = ith sensor node along PATH

thresh = 0.10;

for i = 1 to length(PATH) {
    Qm = getMeasurement(PATH(i));
    Qval = getValidationValue(PATH(i));
    if abs(Qm-Qval) < thresh {
        Qout = Qm;
    }
    else {
        Qrep = getReplacementValue(PATH(i));
        Qout = Qrep;
    }
    transmit(Qout);
}
```



# SIMULATION

- EPANET
  - Generate hydraulic simulation data
- Matlab
  - Introduce Gaussian noise and sensor faults
  - Perform DDVR algorithm
  - Determine performance
  - Selection of Validation and Replacement functions



# TESTS

- Performance of MB and EB methods with/without Gaussian Noise and sensor faults
  - Metric: Percent Error (PE)
- Performance of MB and EB methods as Validation and Replacement functions
  - Factors:
    - Distribution Network (3 different topologies)
    - Percentage of Erroneous Nodes (10%, 30%, 50%)
    - Selection of Erroneous Nodes (3 different sets)
    - Magnitude of Error (-100%, -30%, +30%, +100%)
    - Computation Method (EB, different sets of MB)
  - Metrics:
    - Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)
    - Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
    - Mean Absolute Percent Error (MAPE)





# PERFORMANCE OF ENERGY AND MASS BALANCE METHODS

## ENERGY BALANCE

- Highly accurate except at some low values of flow
- At low Flow and high R:
  - $h_A$  may become low enough
  - Precision error emerges
- Computing Q using  $h_A$  with precision error
  - Computed Q also has precision error

$$Q_A = \sqrt{\frac{1.852 h_A}{R}}$$

## MASS BALANCE

- Mass Balance susceptible to large magnitudes of Error
- More terms mean more potential sources of error
  - Severity of error increases at higher levels

$$Q_A = Q_D + Q_E + Q_F + D_B$$

$$Q_A = Q_K + Q_M + Q_O + Q_Q + Q_S + D_B + D_J + D_N + D_R$$



**TABLE 1: PERFORMANCE OF ENERGY AND MASS BALANCE AS REPLACEMENT METHOD FOR DDVR USING NEW YORK CITY TUNNEL EPANET NETWORK**

**10 % Erroneous**

	No Corr	EB	Level 1 MB-SJ	Level 1 MB-EJ	Level 2 MB-SJ	Level 2 MB-EJ
RMSE	69.47667	20.79693	84.45383	73.60683	176.8299	174.3713
MAE	21.97032	9.324958	46.76075	38.3575	132.3589	129.7671
MAPE	0.0675	0.048706	3.272106	7.530353	13.58119	10.90809

**30 % Erroneous**

	No Corr	EB	Level 1 MB-SJ	Level 1 MB-EJ	Level 2 MB-SJ	Level 2 MB-EJ
RMSE	177.4398	59.65317	189.8509	263.4825	305.65	557.6467
MAE	109.4814	22.88697	133.3624	178.2259	220.8358	354.7817
MAPE	0.280833	0.061369	6.432713	3.131472	30.47955	16.74827

**50 % Erroneous**

	No Corr	EB	Level 1 MB-SJ	Level 1 MB-EJ	Level 2 MB-SJ	Level 2 MB-EJ
RMSE	157.612	110.2409	169.3328	320.1242	233.6364	549.9575
MAE	88.11808	63.25625	120.7307	215.1157	193.992	399.6375
MAPE	0.27	0.235725	3.924545	3.35195	38.33617	17.214



TABLE 1: PERFORMANCE OF ENERGY AND MASS BALANCE AS VALIDATION METHOD FOR DDVR USING NEW YORK CITY TUNNEL EPANET NETWORK

10 % Erroneous

	No Corr	EB	Level 1 MB-SJ	Level 1 MB-EJ	Level 2 MB-SJ	Level 2 MB-EJ
RMSE	69.47667	18.70722	19.69015	1.623875	19.69201	19.59588
MAE	21.97032	5.915625	6.698232	0.614575	7.623533	7.3556
MAPE	0.0675	0.039068	0.041739	0.002148	0.044007	0.043454

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RMSE	177.4398	59.2605	48.86413	59.61017	21.6222	59.64383
MAE	109.4814	19.86318	18.17813	22.58828	9.94215	22.7593
MAPE	0.280833	0.052604	0.049533	0.059729	0.029219	0.060821

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	No Corr	EB	Level 1 MB-SJ	Level 1 MB-EJ	Level 2 MB-SJ	Level 2 MB-EJ
RMSE	157.612	110.0866	69.98183	106.895	87.60317	110.2265
MAE	88.11808	61.18892	29.53928	59.08683	43.97087	62.83083
MAPE	0.27	0.230102	0.151159	0.20476	0.19498	0.234775



# PERFORMANCE OF ENERGY AND MASS BALANCE FOR DDVR

- Complementary performance of MB and EB methods
- Best performance when MB is used as Validation function, while EB is used as Replacement Function



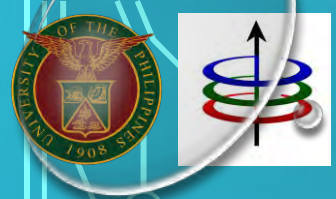


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# CONCLUSION & FUTURE WORK

- Distributed Data Validation and Reconstruction as a viable alternative to non-automated or centralized methods
  - Utilize complementary performance of energy and mass balance methods
- Potential of wide adoption of wireless sensor networks in water distribution monitoring systems
  - Research on communication aspect and hardware implementation



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