### Development and Application in Water Distribution Networks of Smart Water in China

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### Outline









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### **SmartWater®functional framework**









**Data collection platform** 







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**Operation platform** 







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### **1.1 The definition of smart water**





### 1.2 The necessity and feasibility of smart water in China







#### At present, most cities are located **1.3 The development of smart water** between these two stages in China . **Digital stage Initial stage Automation stage Smart stage Combine the Internet** of things, cloud Automatic control of **Build business** computing, big valves, pumping **Enhance** water systems and data, mobile Internet supply capacity stations and databases and other new production processes. generation of information technology



### **1.4 The framework of smart water in water distribution system**







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### 2.1 Leakage controlling

Mean difference test and Student's t test

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District Metering Area, DMA

Minimum Night flow, MNF 88

Blind Source Separation, BSS

Leakage control of multi-source water distribution system by optimal pump schedule

Drop-restore Pressure Leakage Control





### 2.1 Leakage controlling 2.1.1 Mean difference test and Student's t test

We believe that if there is a difference in daily water supply rate that means there may be leakage. Based on this assumption , if the daily flow data varies much, then we think the pipes around the monitoring leaks.

- Support vector machine
   Mean difference test
- Student's t test





### 2.1 Leakage controlling

#### **2.1.1 Mean difference test and Student's t test**



Pipe 14 leaks. Pipe 14 connect with pipe 17、 14、11、13.

Pipe 36 leaks. Pipe 36 connect with pipe 39、 40.





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**Minimum Night flow, MNF** 





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### 2.1 Leakage controlling 2.1.3 Blind Source Separation , BSS





•An integrated method of information theory, artificial neural networks and statistical signal processing.

•BSS can separate the mixed unknown sources about which we don't know how they mixed and what they are.



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### 2.1 Leakage controlling 2.1.3 Blind Source Separation, BSS

The observed signal x is gained by linear mixing the source signal S with mixing matrix A. By searching separation matrix W, the separated signal Y is obtained from the observation signal x, so that it can approach to S.

x = Asy = Wx = WAs = Gs

The basic leakage quantification model :

$$Q_T = Q_A + Q_L$$

The amount of water consumption and leakage can be estimated only through observed inlet pressure and inlet flow signals, without any prior conditions

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} Q \\ P \end{bmatrix}, S = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} q_c \\ q_l \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$



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### 2.1 Leakage controlling



### The trend of the separated leakage signal

#### True leakage value signal

### The trend of the separated water use signal

#### True water use signal



### 2.1 Leakage controlling



Ŷ Mean difference test **Blind Source District Metering** Leakage control of **Drop-restore** Separation, BSS Area, DMA and Student's t test **multi-source** water **Pressure Leakage** distribution system by Control Minimum Night flow, optimal pump MNF schedule





### 2.1 Leakage controlling

2.1.4 Leakage control of multi-source water distribution system by optimal pump schedule

- (1) The city's water supply pattern develops from a single water source to multiple ones.
- (2)This trend makes the unbalance between water supply and demand, which causes some problems:
  - ➤ cause waste of energy;
  - ➢ produce excessive pressure;
  - $\succ$  increase the amount of leakage.

Therefore, it is necessary to have a pump optimal schedule for the water supply system in a reasonable way to reduce power consumption and leakage.







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➢ solve multi-objective problem;

>optimal partition schedule, separated valves and pump optimal schedule would be decided.





### 2.1 Leakage controlling

#### 2.1.4 Leakage control of multi-source water distribution system by optimal pump schedule

An example of leakage control project of water supply system in HD city

#### **Basic information about water supply system in HD city**

HD city is a multi-source water distribution system, which has three water plants and 12 pumps. There are more than 4,000 pipe sections in this system, across 507km, together with 1022 valves, 10 pressure monitoring points, and the maximum pipe diameter is DN1000, the minimum is DN100. The majority pipe diameter is DN300. HD city's terrain goes through ups and downs, the maximum elevation difference is 90m, the whole terrain trend is from high west to low east. The water supply network topology of HD city is shown in Fig. 3.







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HD city's water supply schedule can be divided into three periods. The first period: 6:00 to 13:00pm; the second period: 14:00 to 21:00; the third period :22:00 to 5:00. After partition and schedule, free head distribution and regional distribution of water supply is shown in the figure below.



Free head distribution of water supply



**Regional distribution of water supply** 

The average pressure of entire network changed from 50.3 m to 46.2 m,
The leakage rate changed from 11% to 8.6%, power consumption was reduced by 0.32%.



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### 2.1 Leakage controlling 2.1.5 Drop-restore Pressure Leakage Control



When studying the axial crack characteristics of PE pipes, our research group found that for the same head, the area of the leak in the process of pressure rise is smaller than that in the process of pressure drop. Relative to steady state, the area of leakage in the pressure rise increased by 10%, and the area of pressure drop processes decreased by 40%, respectively.



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#### 2.1.5 Drop-restore Pressure Leakage Control

Drop-restore mechanism is dropping and restoring head quickly that changes the pipeline from a high-leakage state to a lower-leakage state and achieve the purpose of reducing leakage quantity without changing average pressure.

Compared with existing pressure reducing method, this method is more refined in leakage controlling.



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### 2.2 Early warning of water quality

**An early warning of water quality system** is used to **detect random contamination events** and to **provide information on the location of the contaminants** within the system. So that we can take action to recover the quality of the water supply system.



Sensor placement



**Event detection** 

**Contaminant source identification** 



Recovery

Based on the accuracy of the water quality model.







### 2.2 Early warning of water quality





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### 2.2 Early warning of water quality





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### 2.3 Risk assessment

A Case Study on Risk Assessment of Long Distance Water Supply System





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