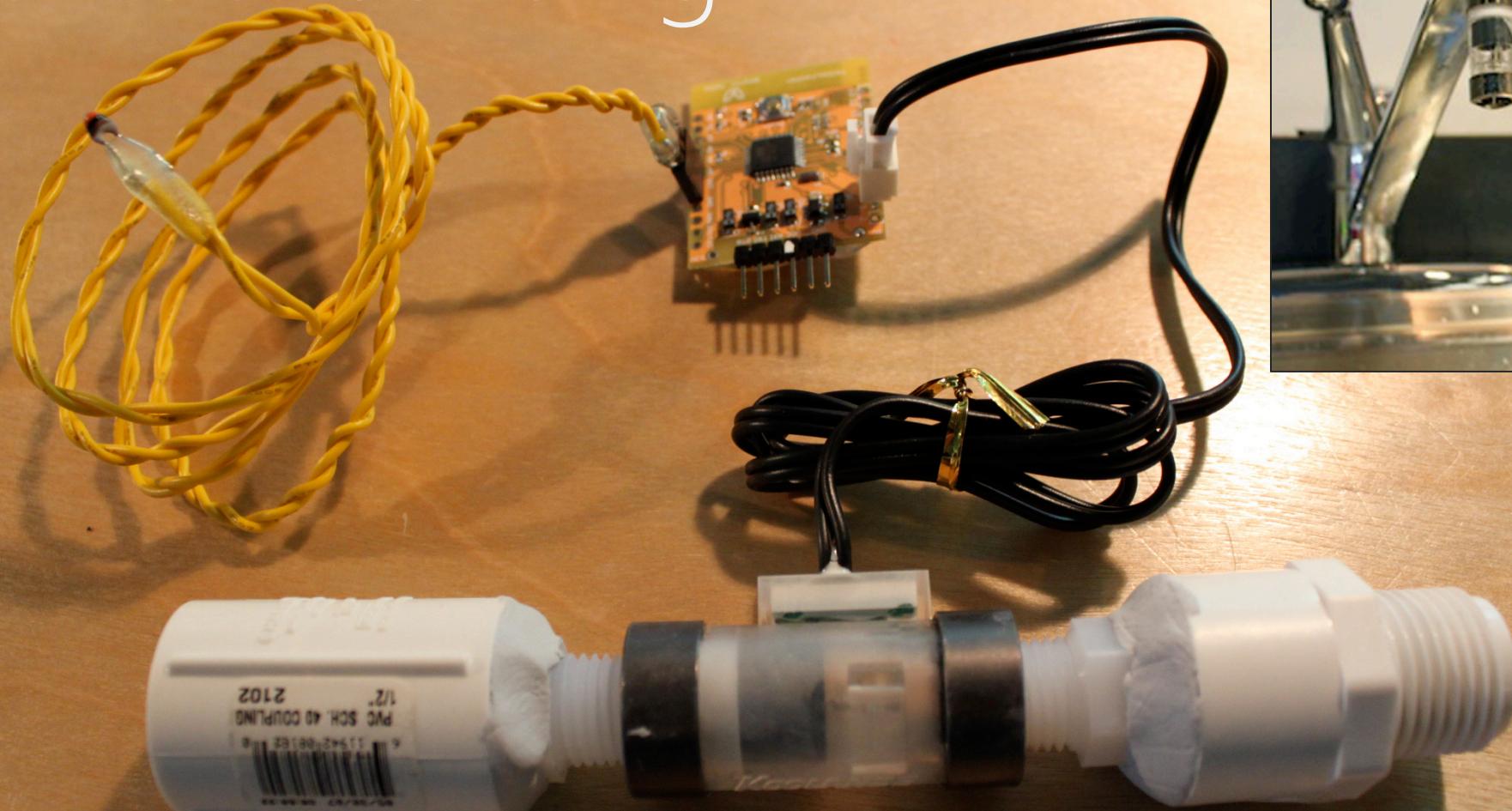


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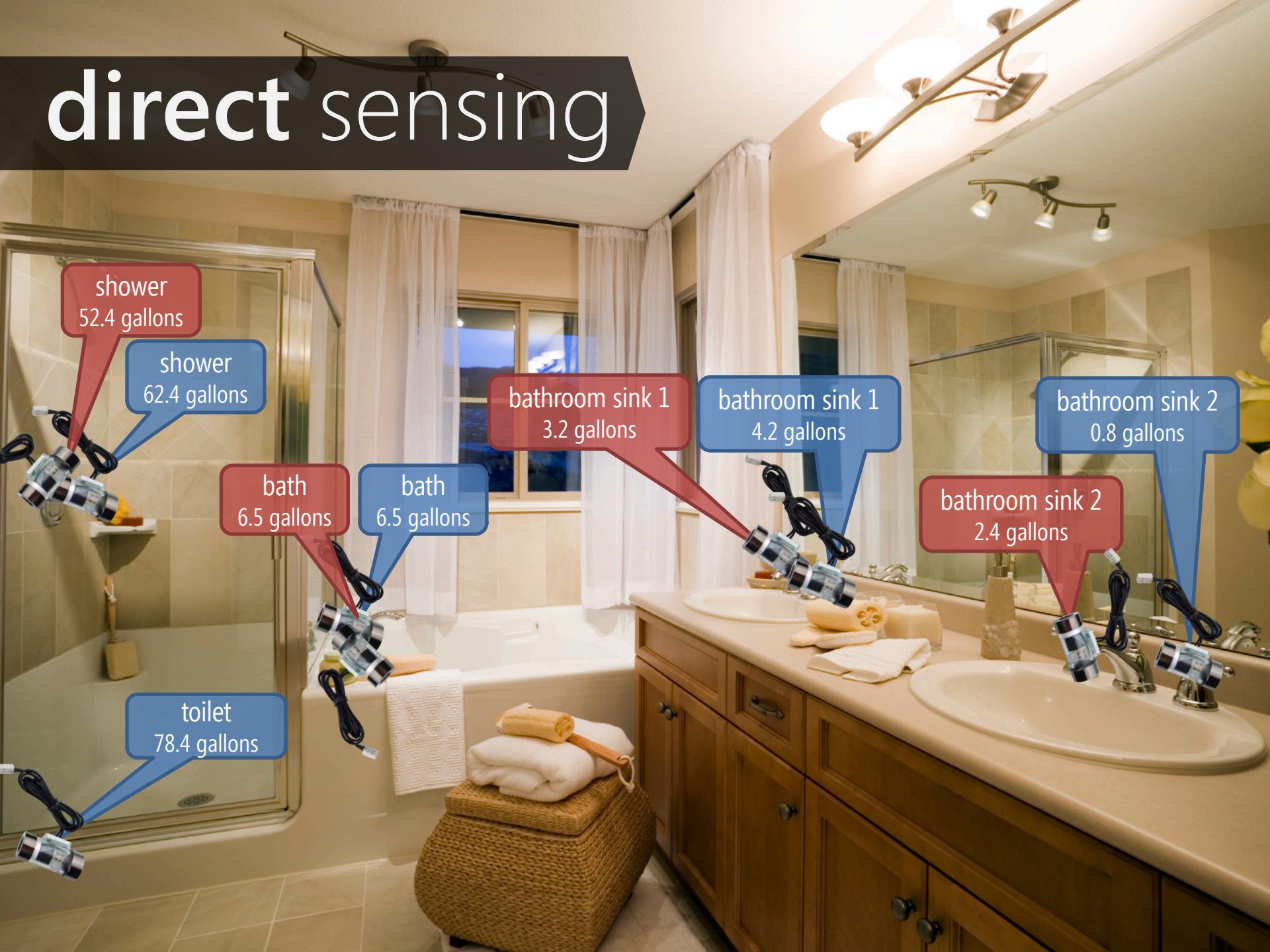


[Teague Labs, Arduino Water Meter, <http://labs.teague.com/?p=722>]

# direct sensing



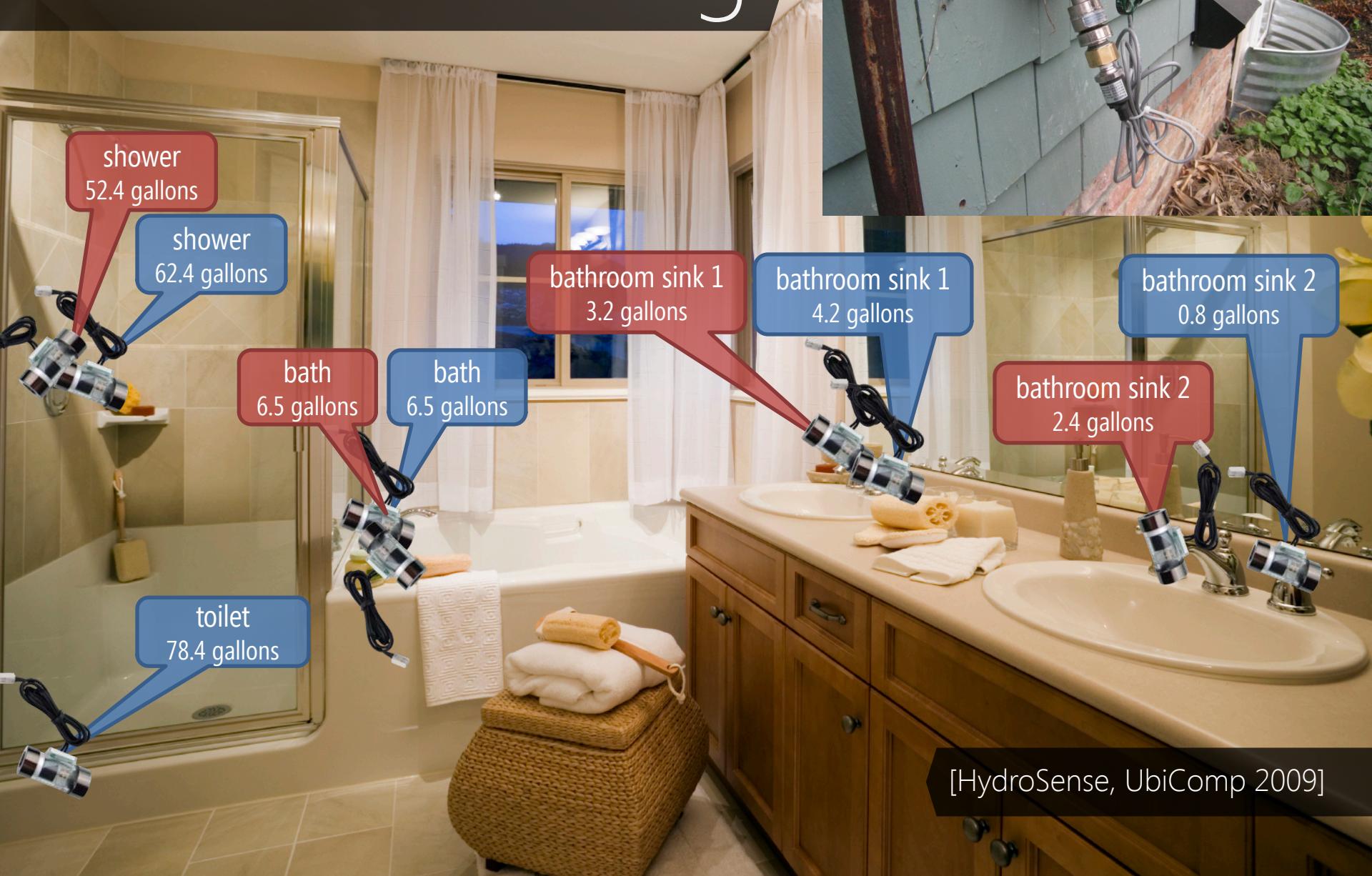
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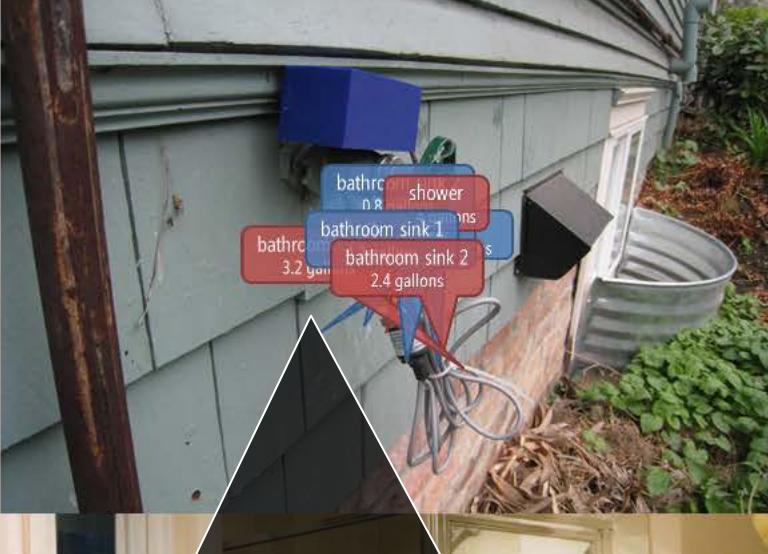
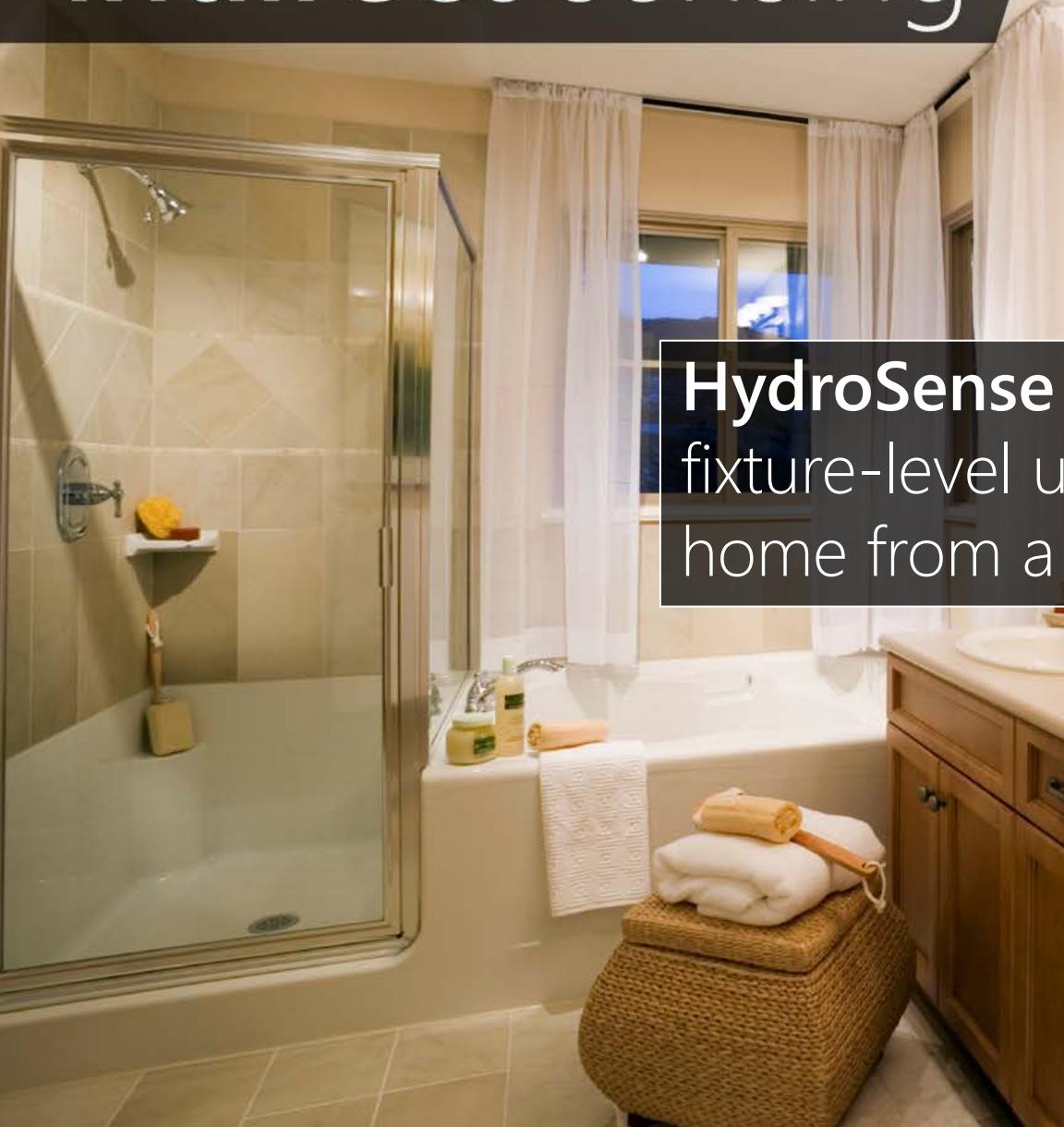
# direct sensing



# indirect sensing



# indirect sensing



**HydroSense** attempts to infer fixture-level usage for the entire home from a **single** point.

[HydroSense, UbiComp 2009]

# hydrosense

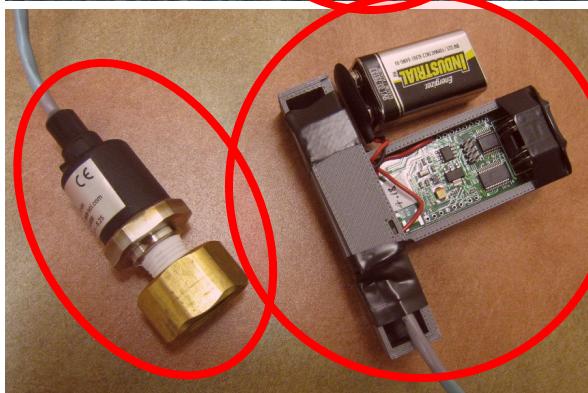
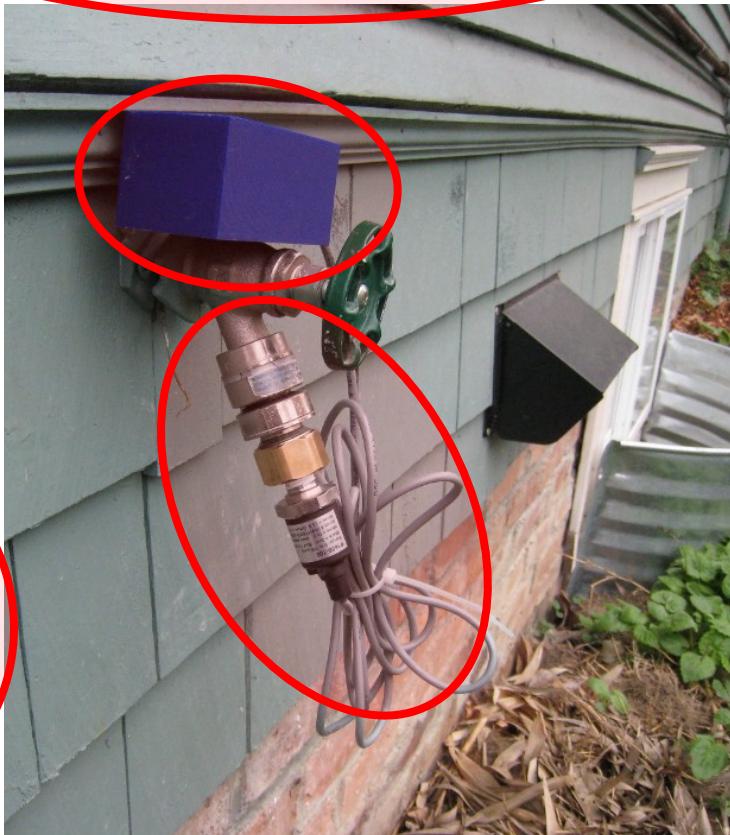
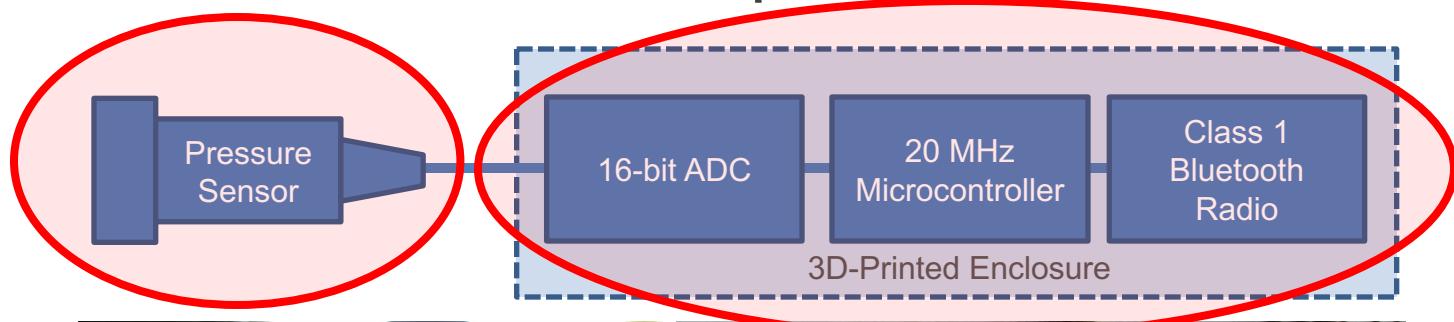
- single, screw-on sensor
- identifies fixture usage
- estimates flow

Traditional water meters measure aggregate consumption

Requires cutting into pipe to install

SERVICES	BILLING PERIOD		DAYS	METER READING		USAGE	USAGE HISTORY	
	From	To		Previous	Present		Last Month	Last Year
Water	2/9/11	3/9/11	31	238400	Actual	238900	500 CF	400 CF
Sewer	2/9/11	3/9/11	31	238400	Actual	238900	500 CF	400 CF
Sewer Deduct	2/9/11	3/9/11	31	95700	Actual	95700	0 CF	0 CF

# hydrosense implementation



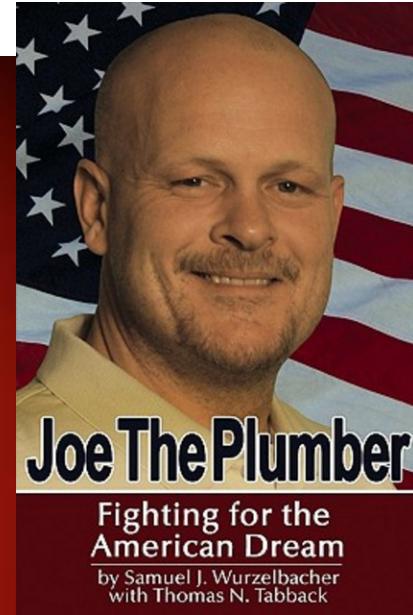
# brief plumbing primer



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It's Samuel Joseph Wurzelbacher!



water tower

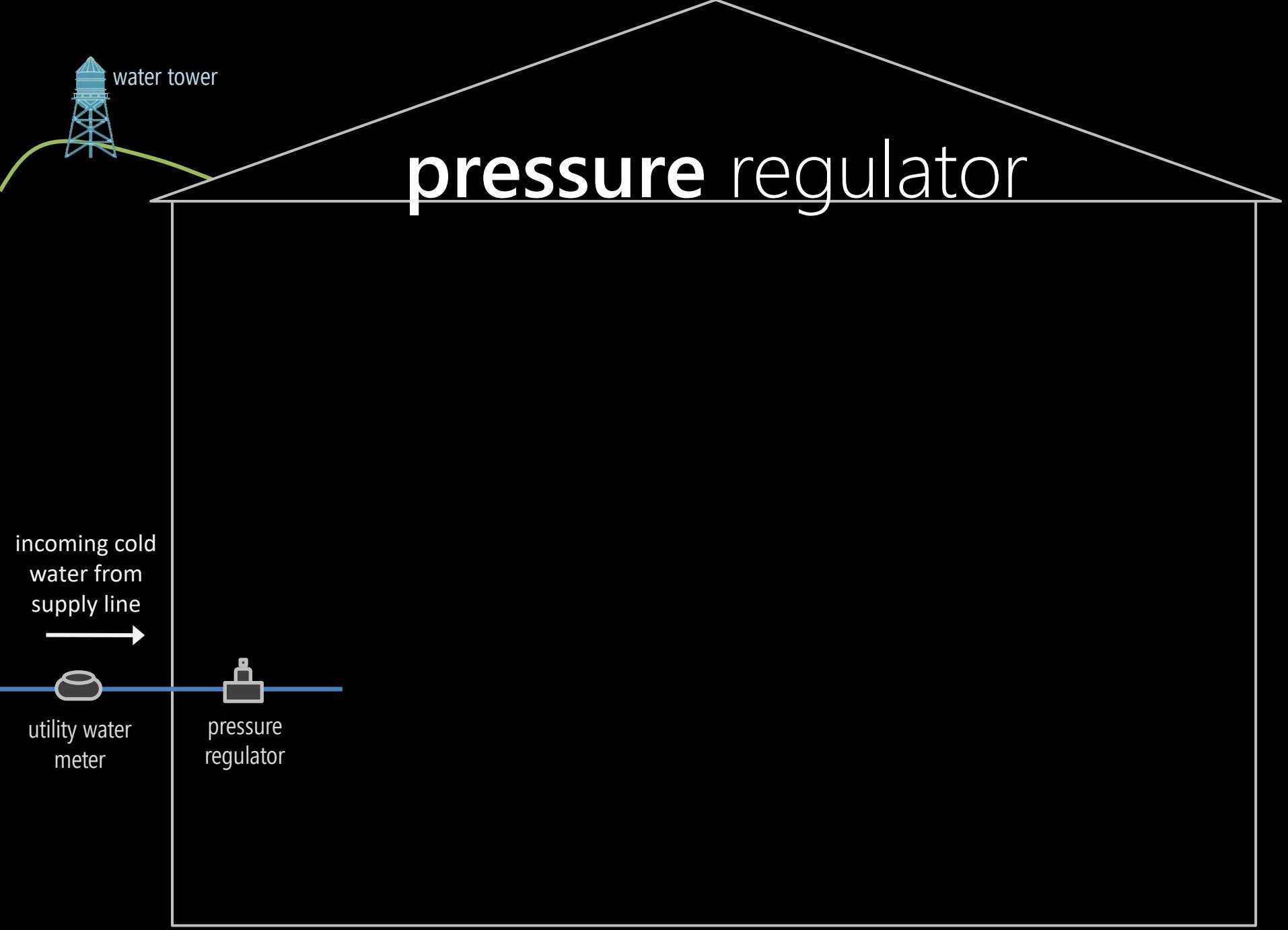
# plumbing primer



# plumbing primer

incoming cold  
water from  
supply line







water tower

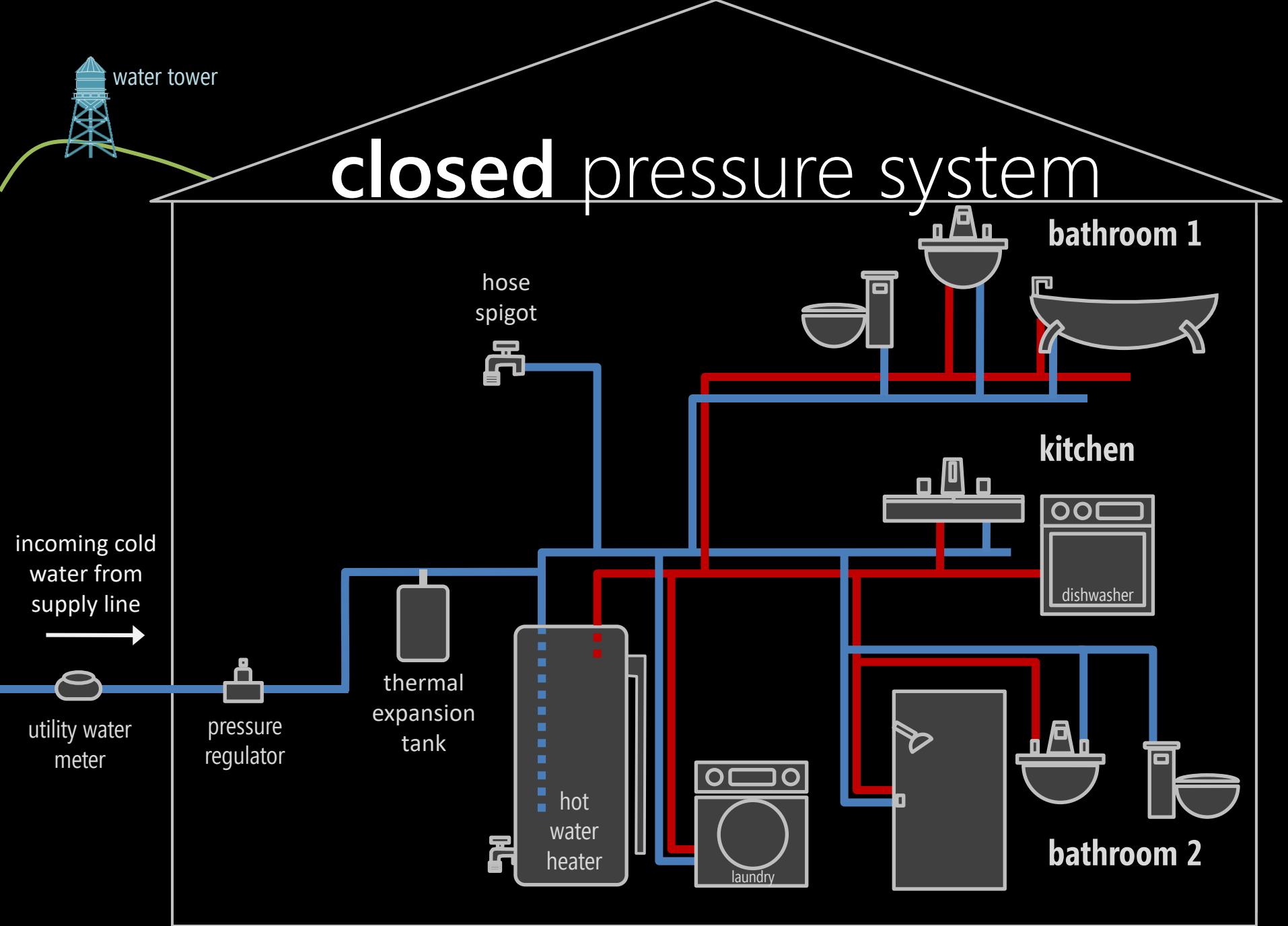
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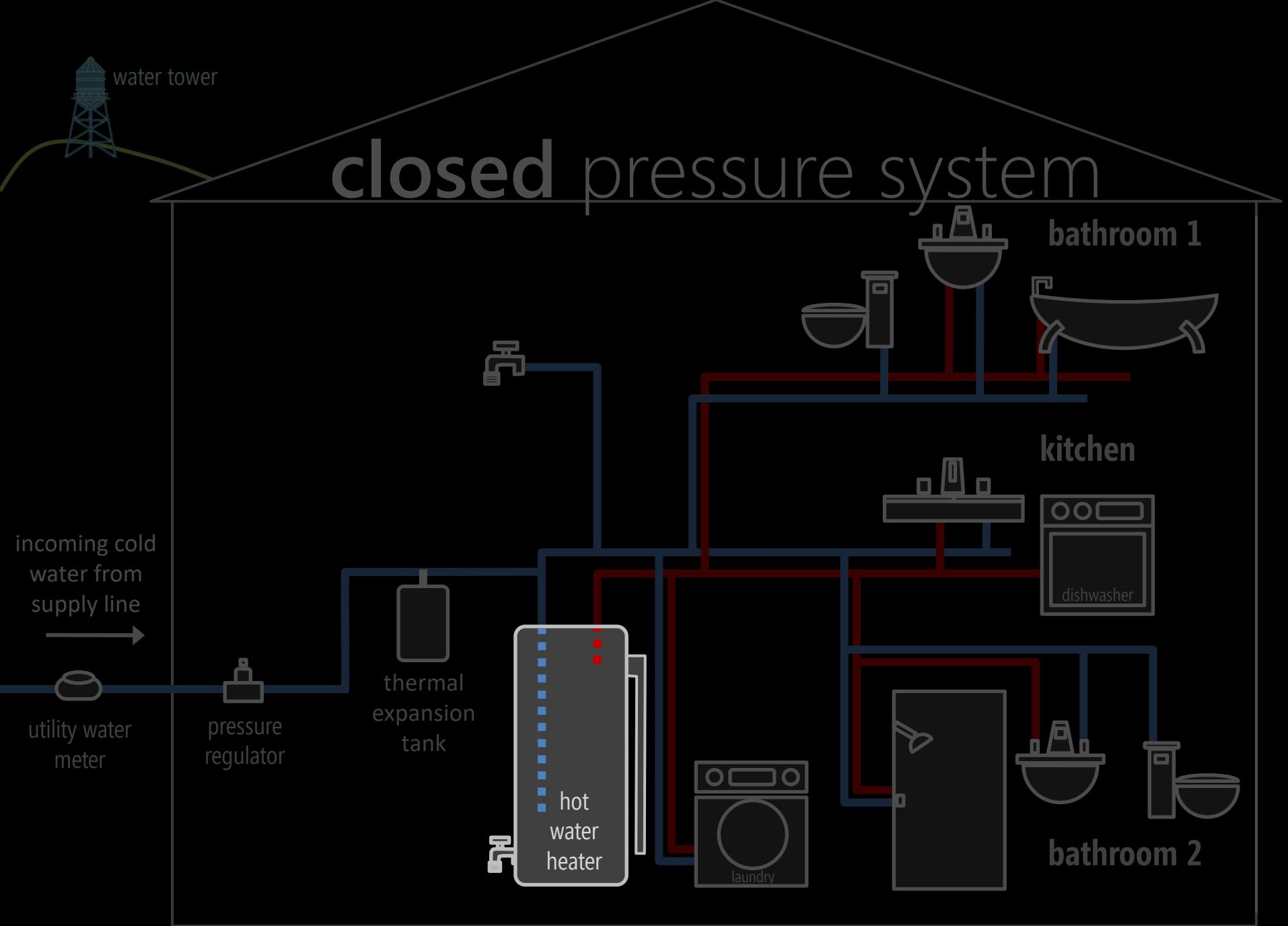
incoming cold  
water from  
supply line

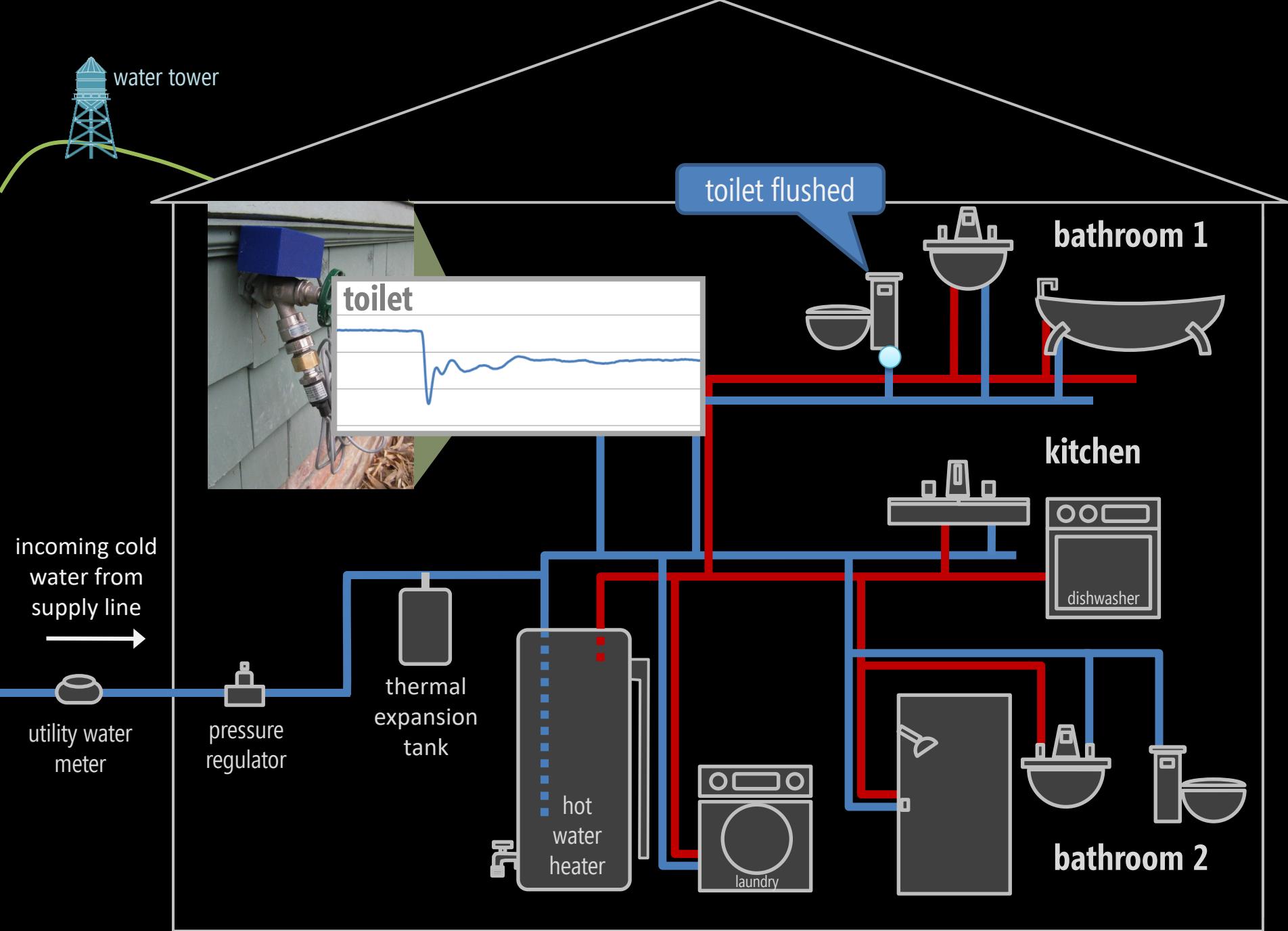


utility water  
meter

pressure  
regulator



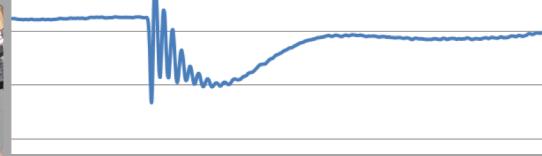




toilet



kitchen sink cold



bathroom 1

kitchen sink  
cold open

kitchen

bathroom 2

incoming cold  
water from  
supply line



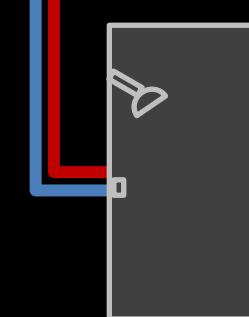
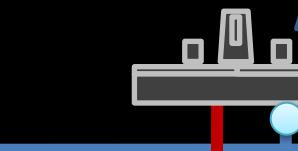
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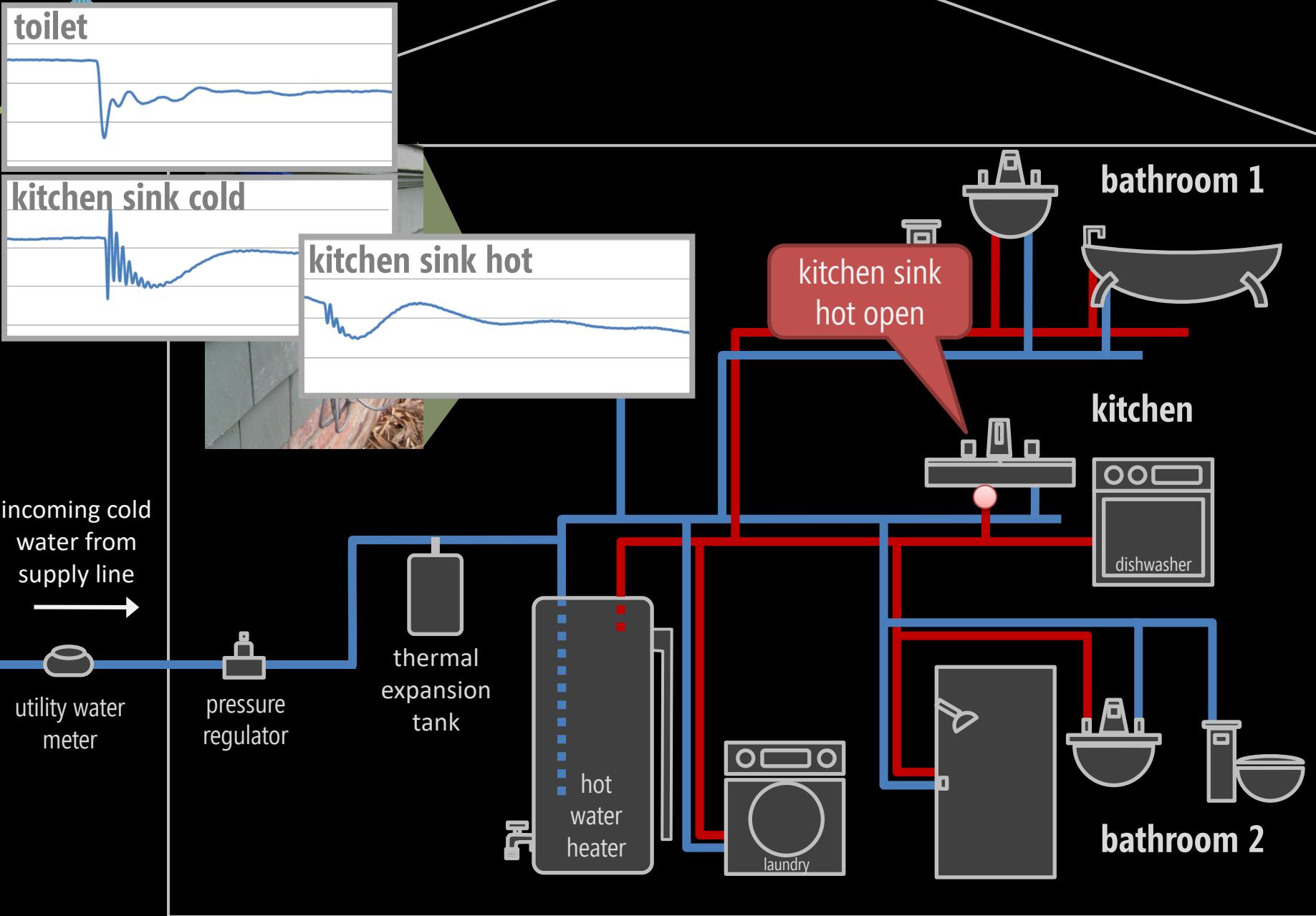
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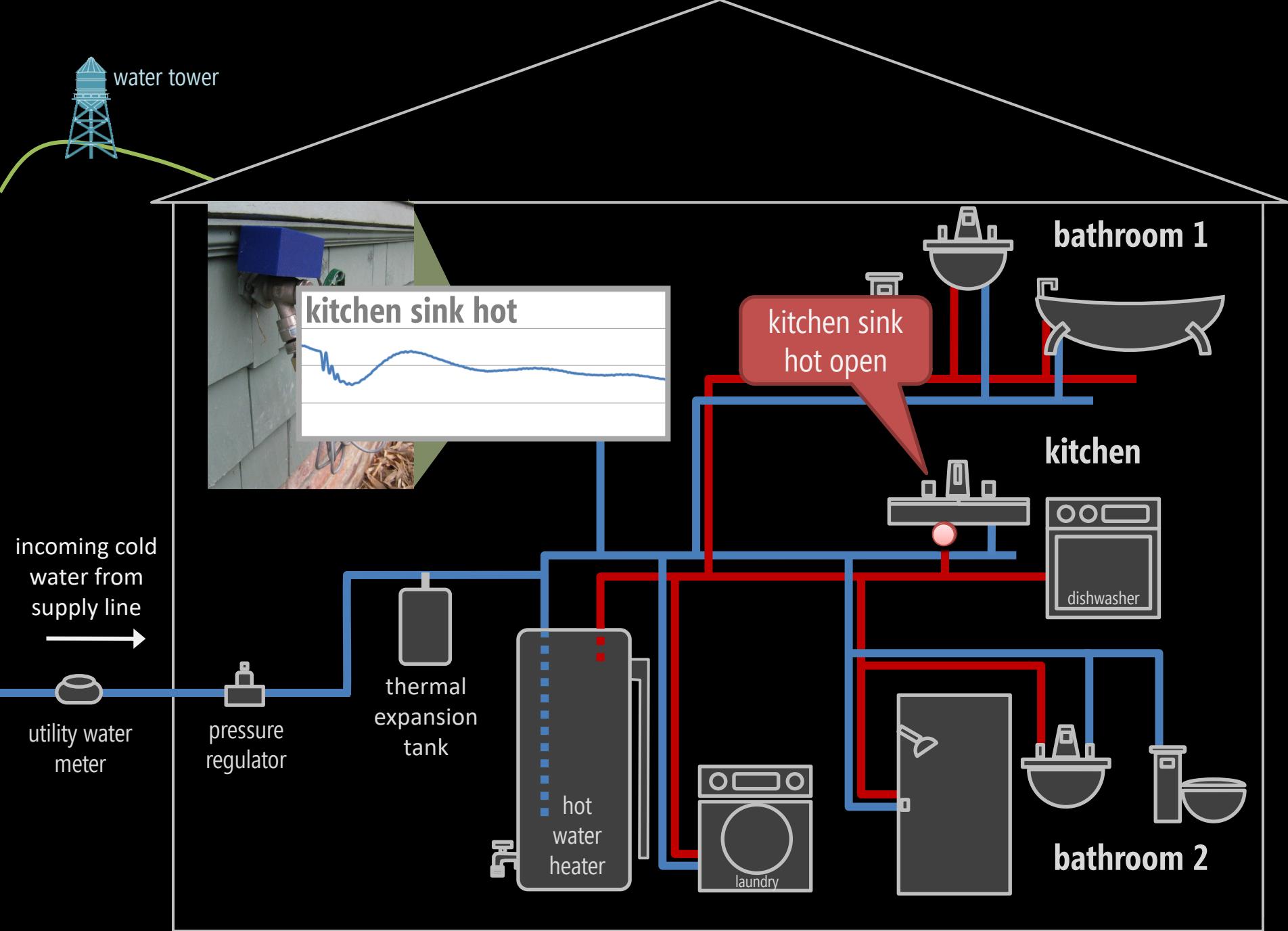
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expansion  
tank

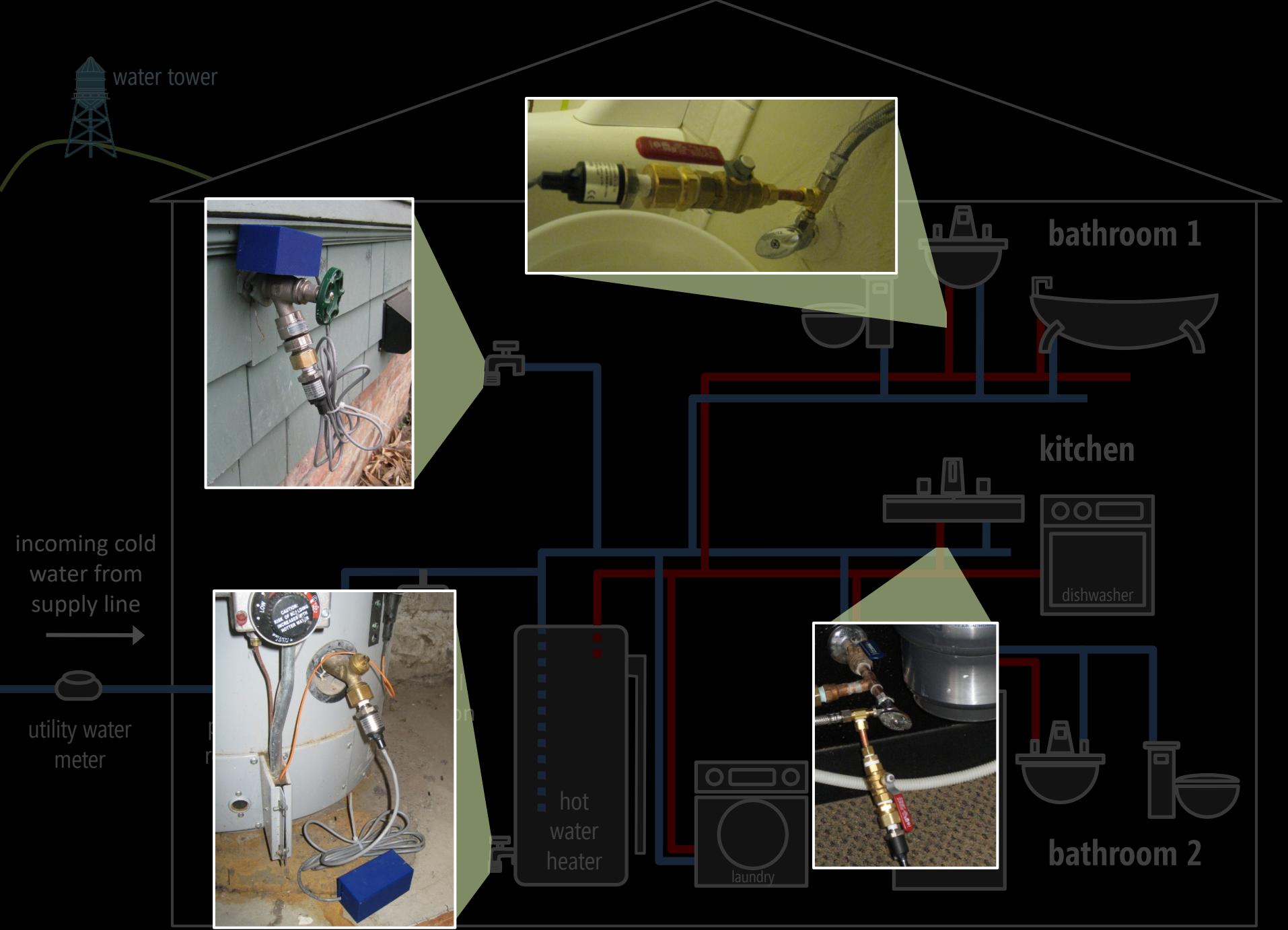
hot  
water  
heater

laundry









# bathroom sink pressure signal

psi

80

70

60

50

40

0

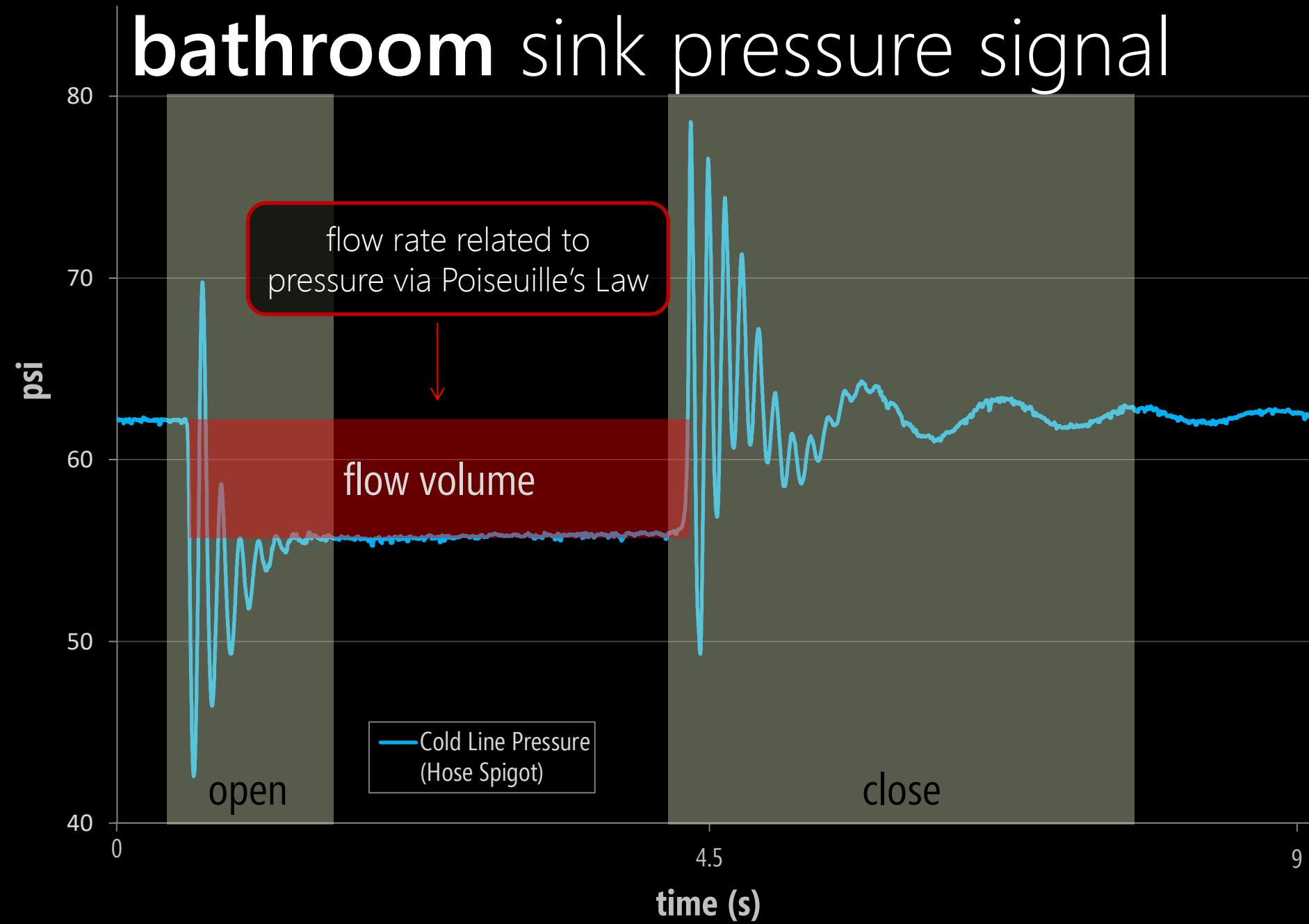
4.5

9

time (s)



# bathroom sink pressure signal



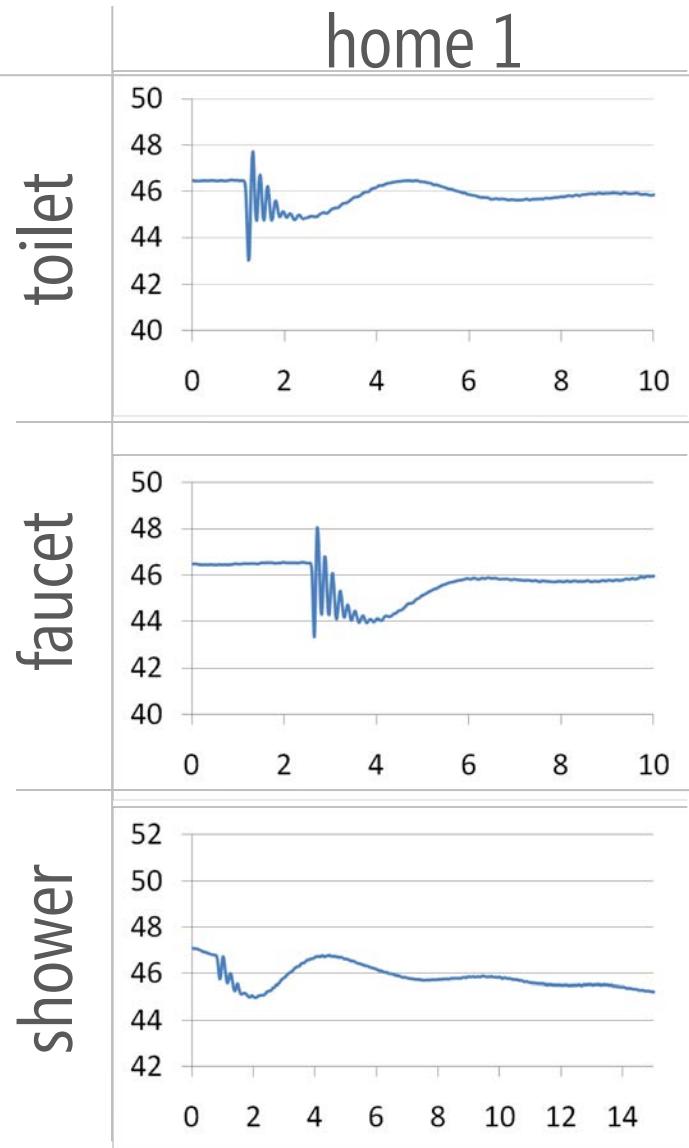
Hot Water  
Bathroom Sink  
Inlet Line

3/8" Copper  
Connection

Pressure Transducer  
(0-100 PSI)

Bathroom Sink  
(Basement)

# example open events



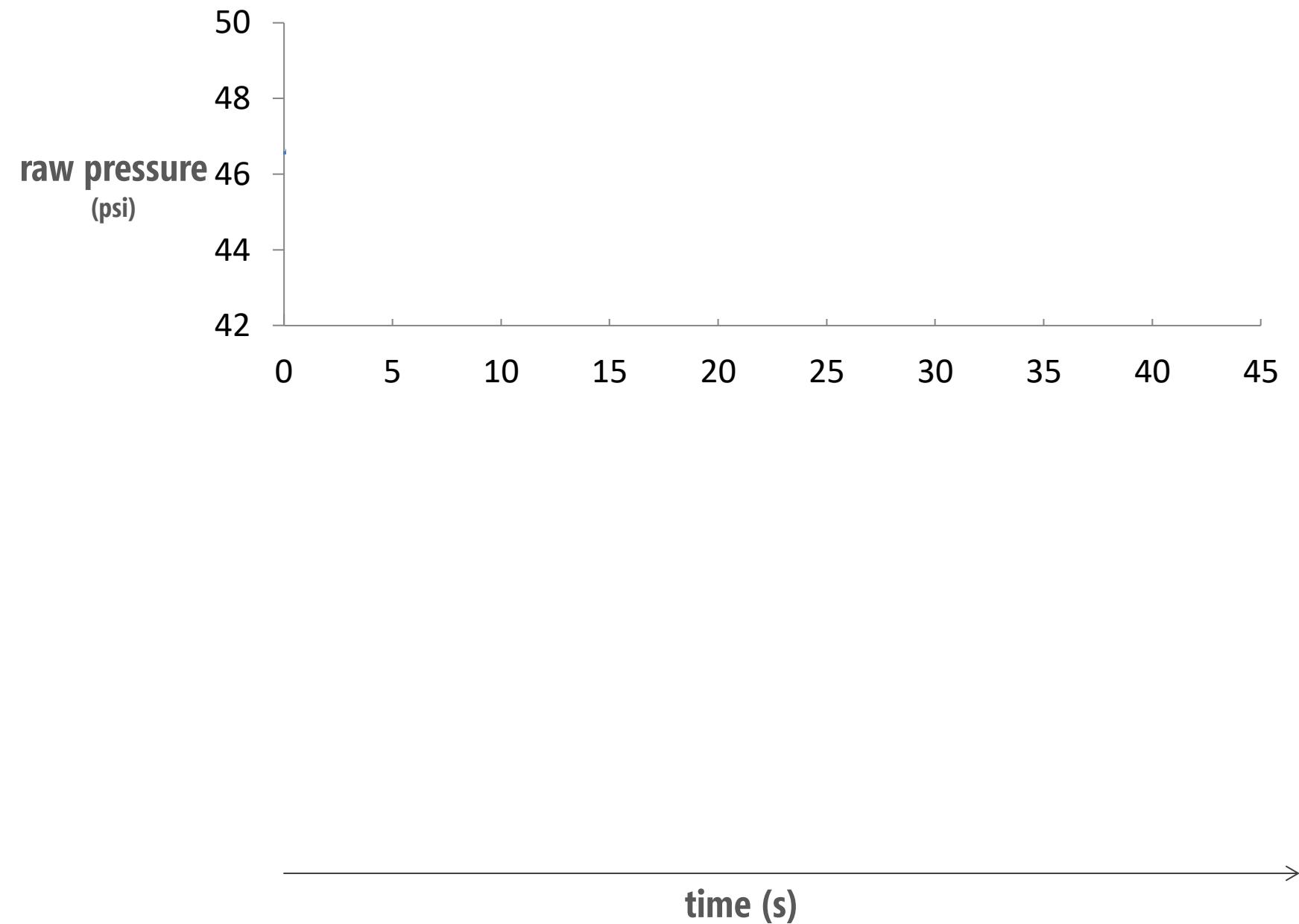
**signature dependent on:**

- fixture type
- valve type
- valve location in home

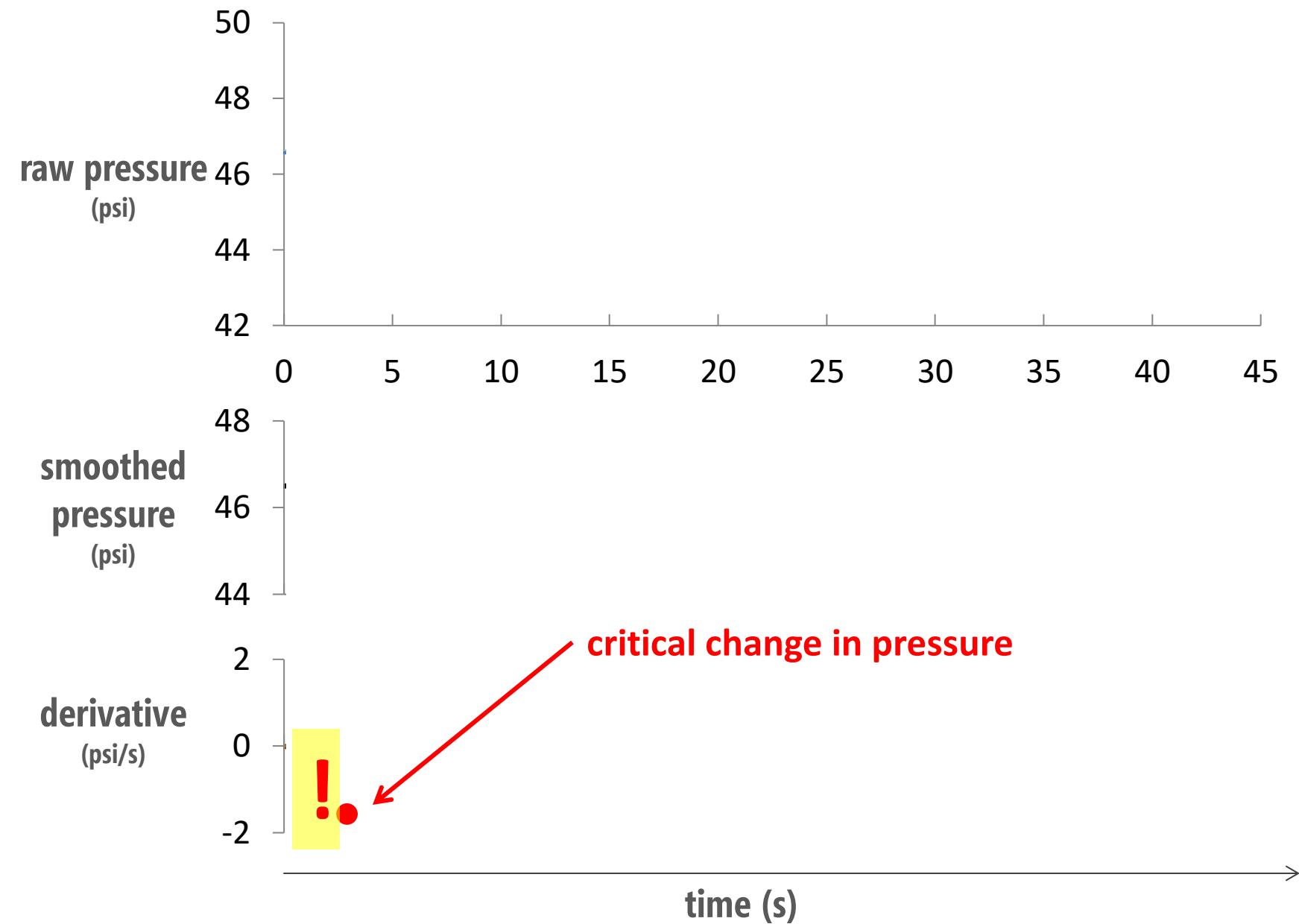
# hydro algorithm

1. detect that a water event has occurred
2. classify event as "open" or "close"
3. determine source of event (*e.g.*, toilet, shower)
4. provide flow estimate

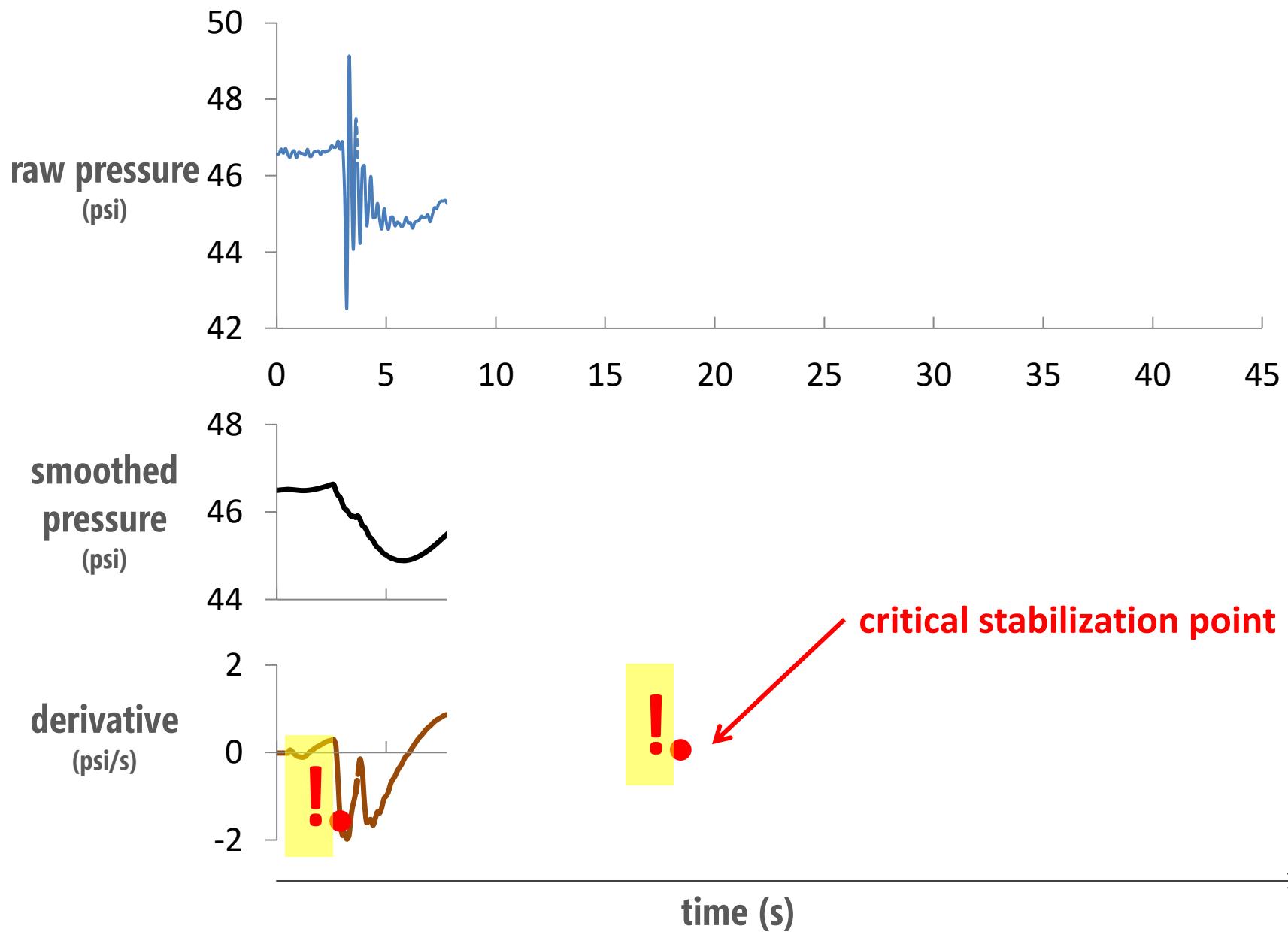
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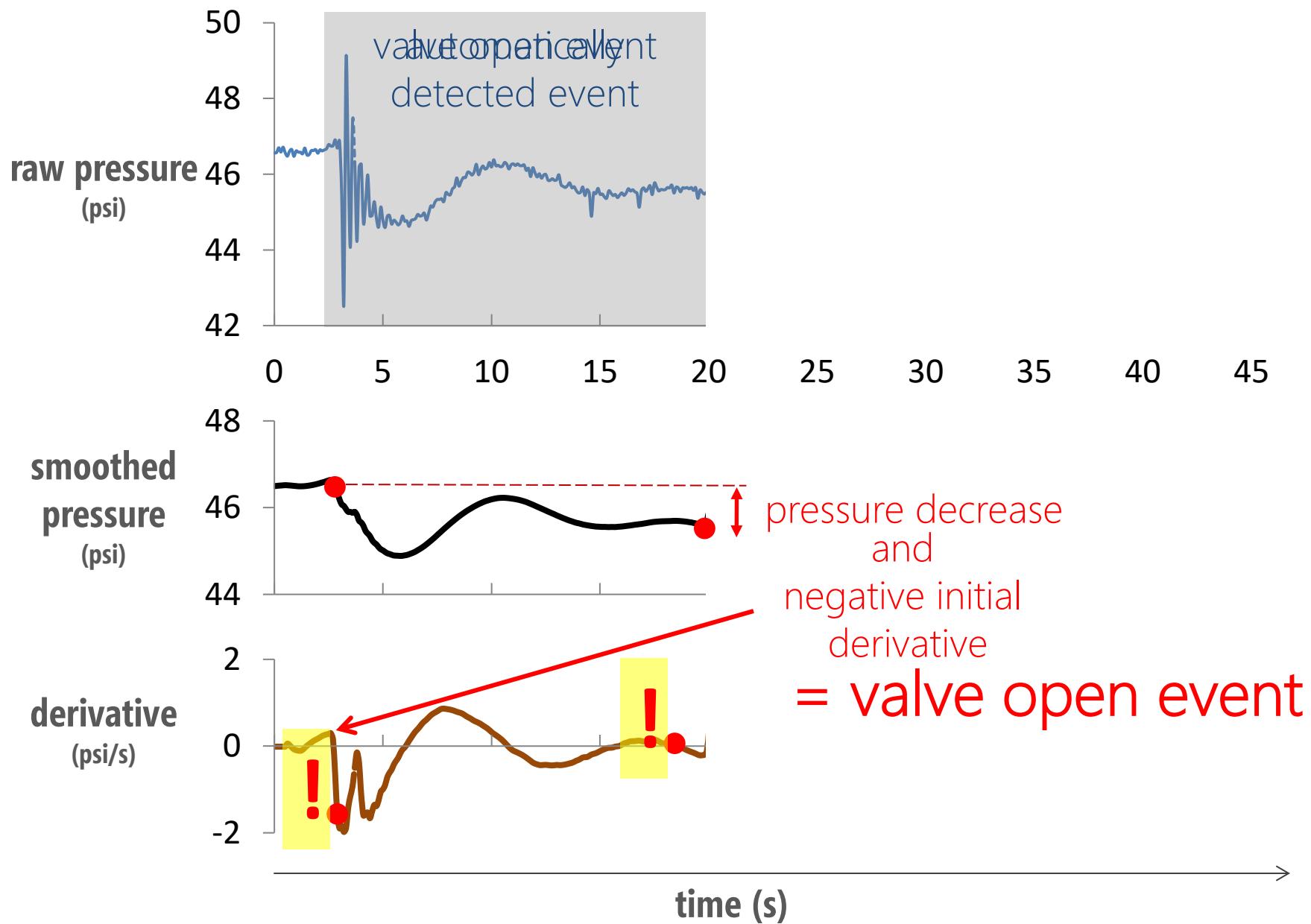
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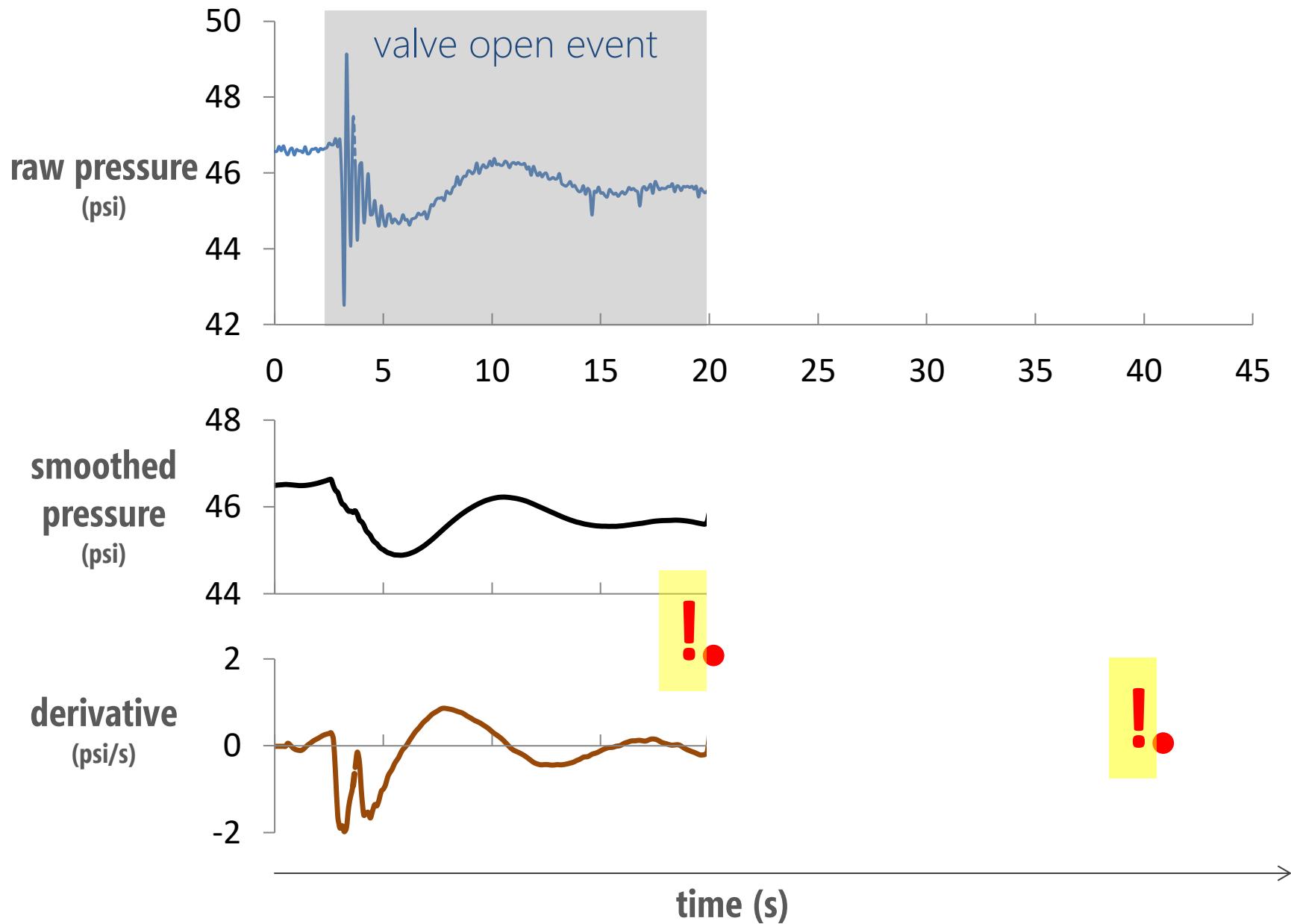
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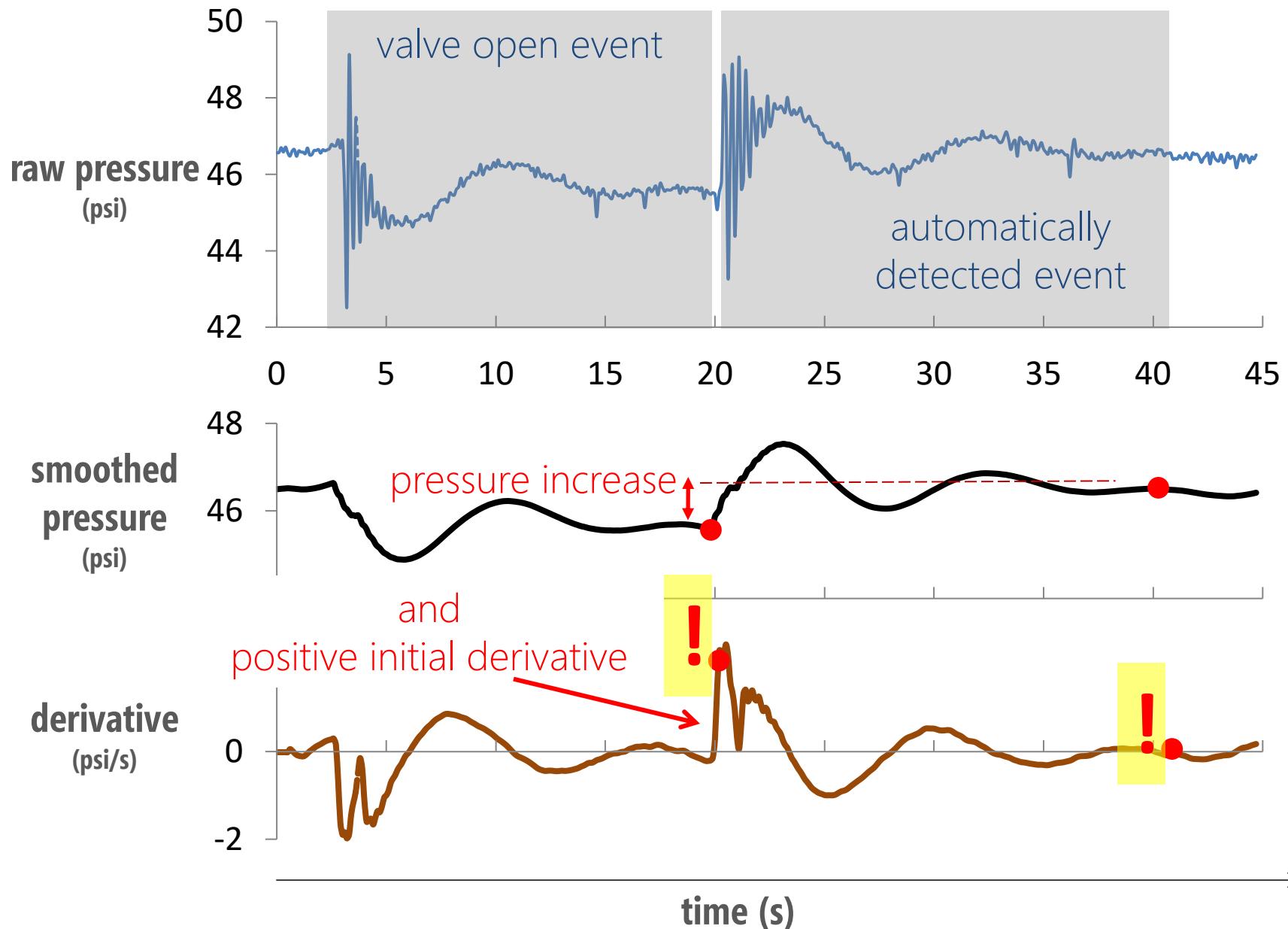
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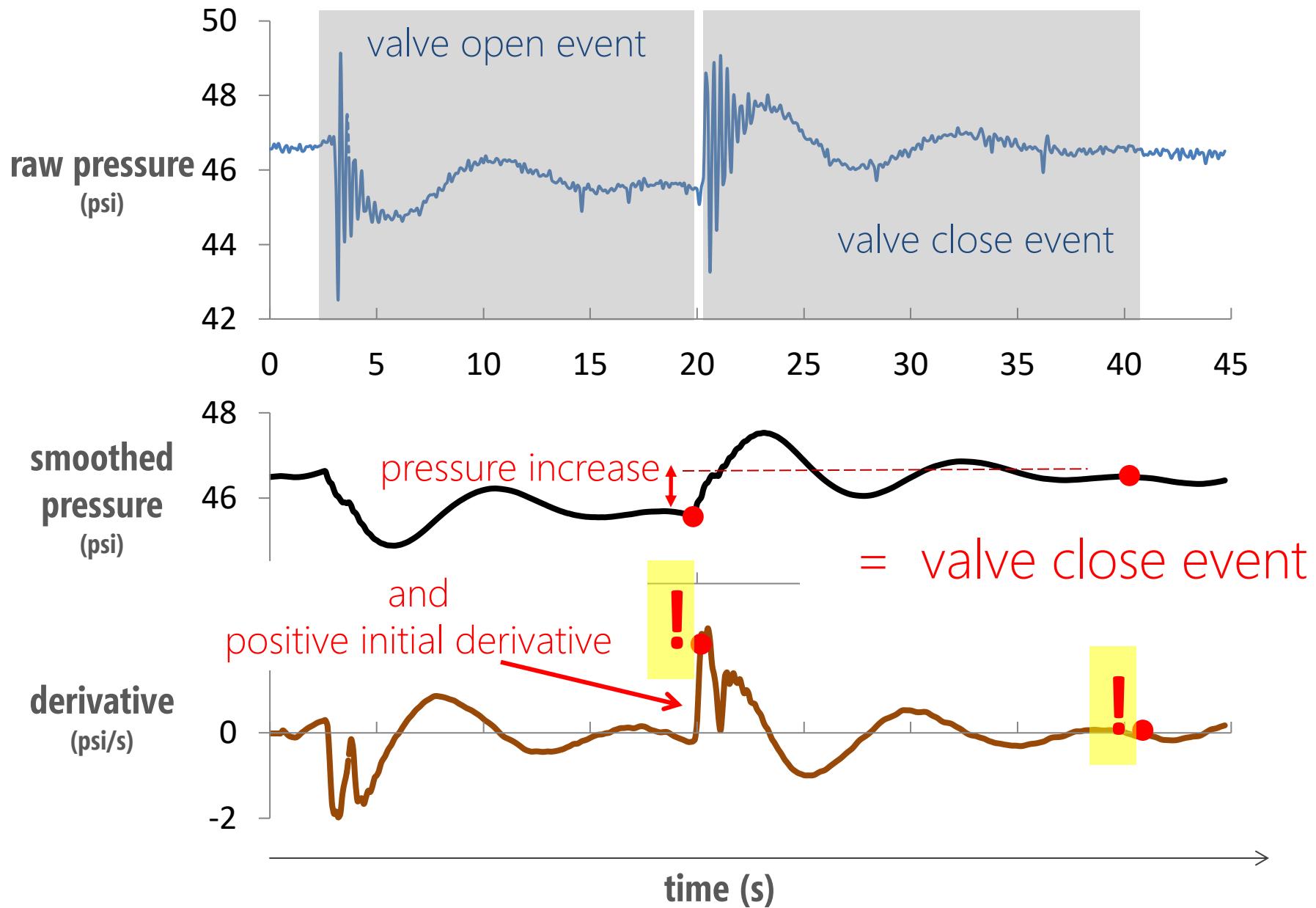
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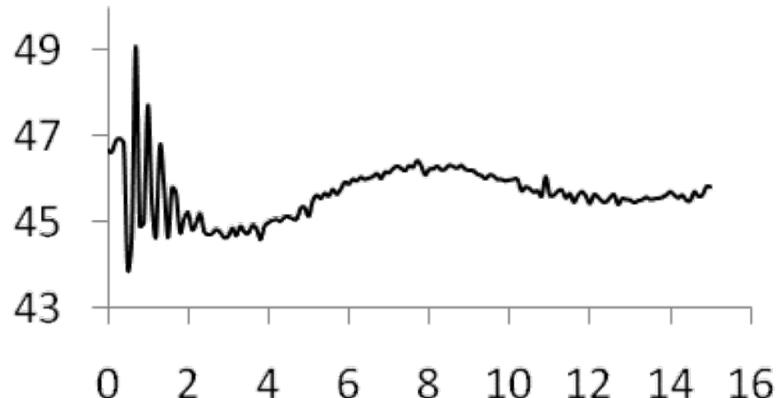


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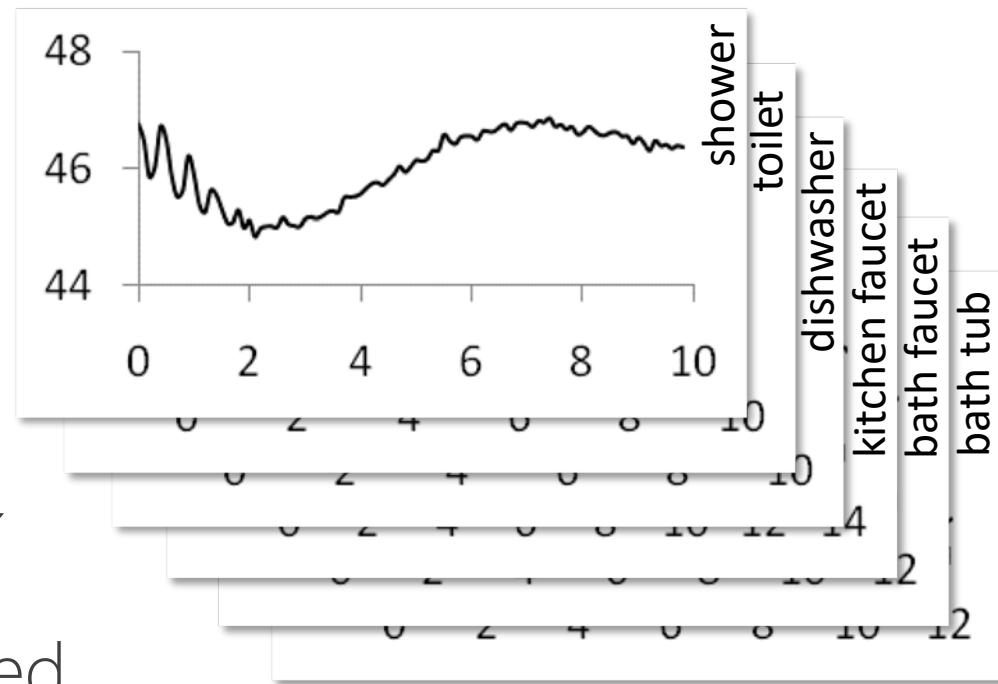


# fixture classification

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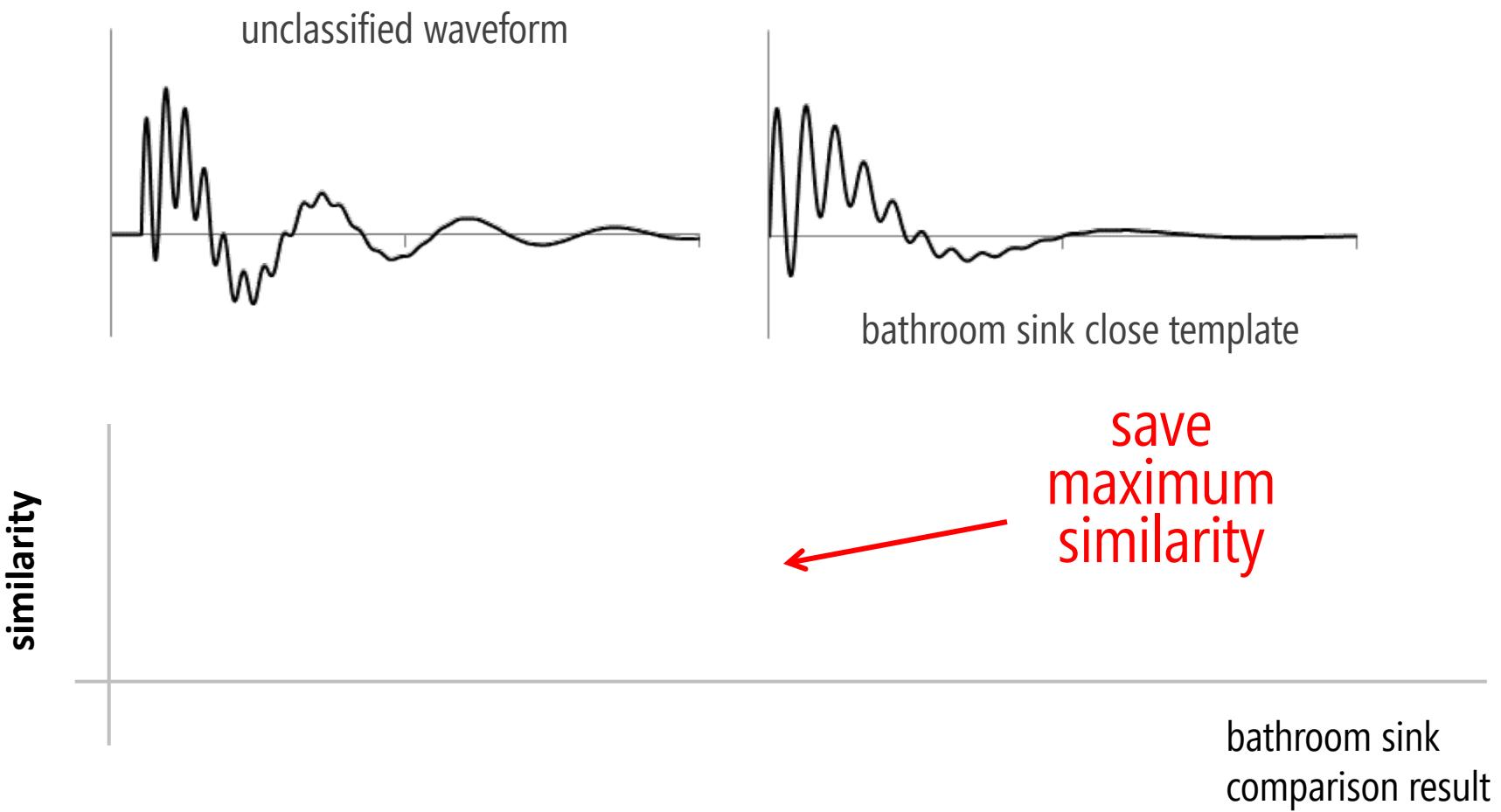


open event library

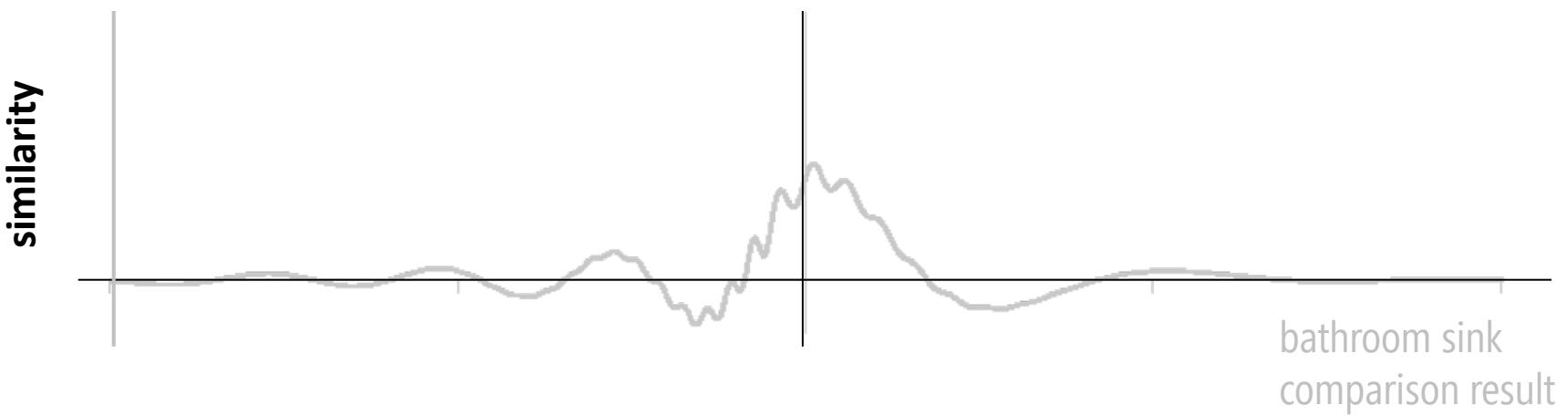
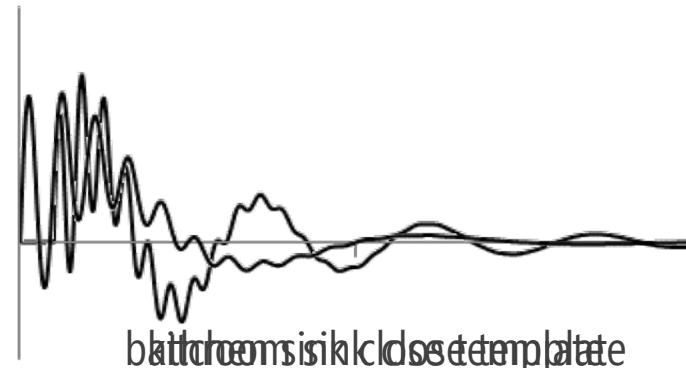


compare via matched  
filtering across multiple signal  
transformations

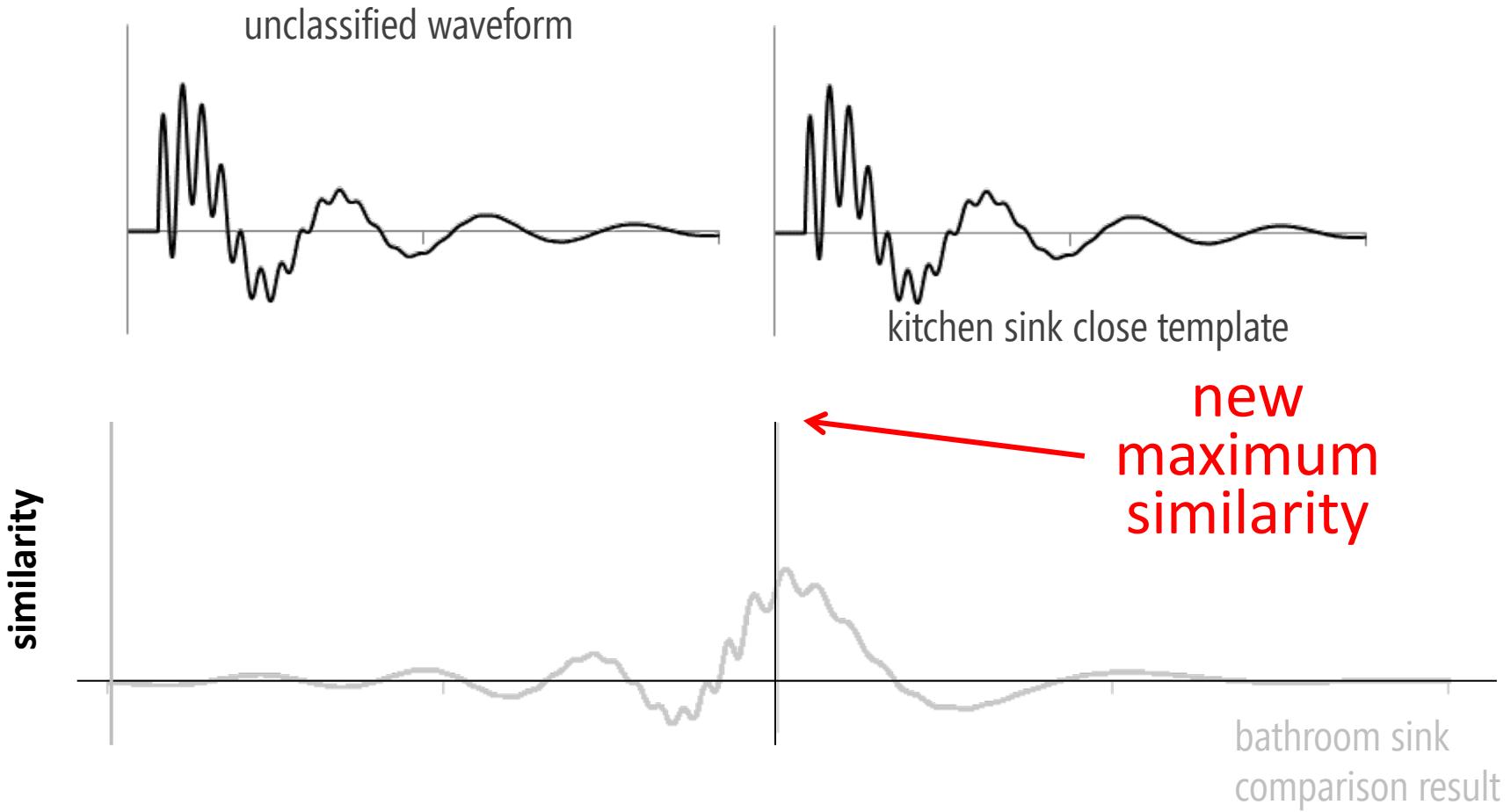
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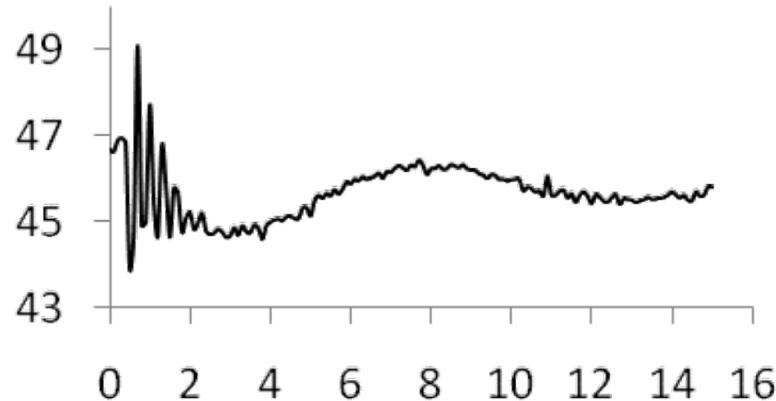
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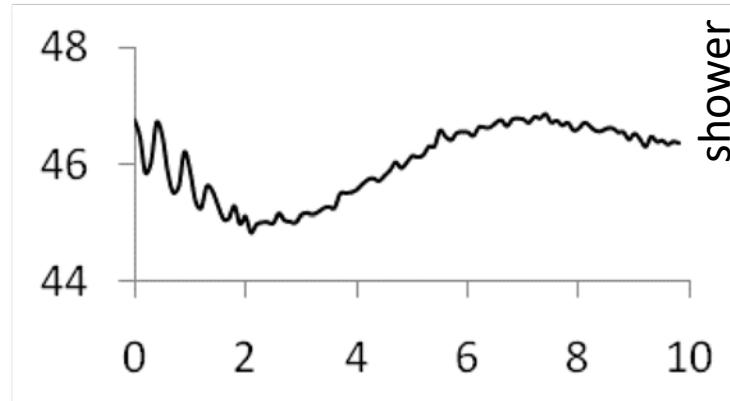
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unclassified open event

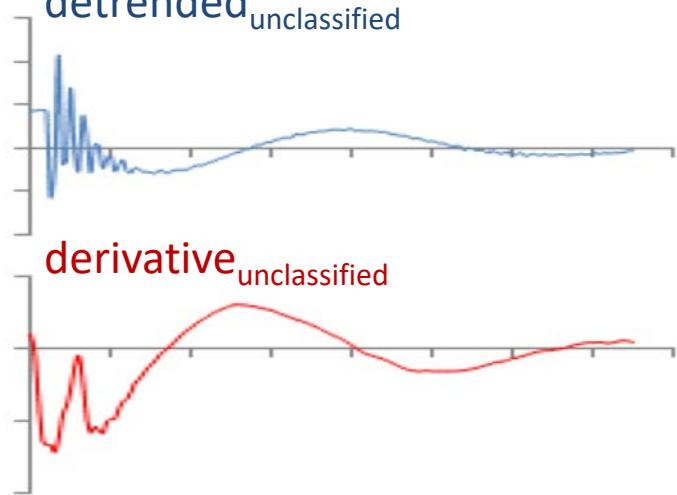


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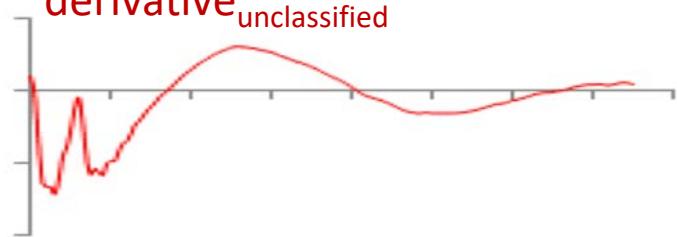


shower  
toilet  
dishwasher  
kitchen faucet  
bath faucet  
bath tub

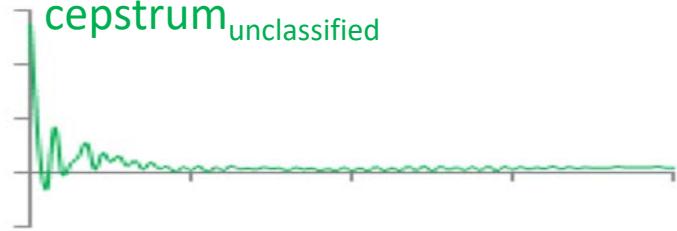
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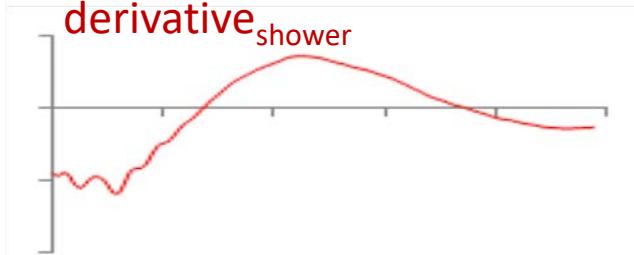
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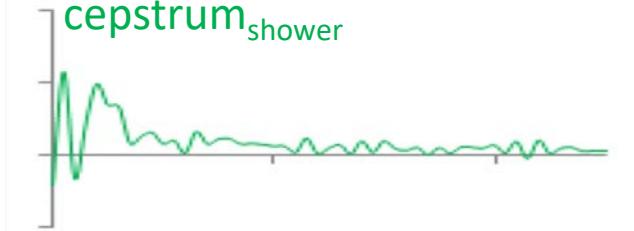
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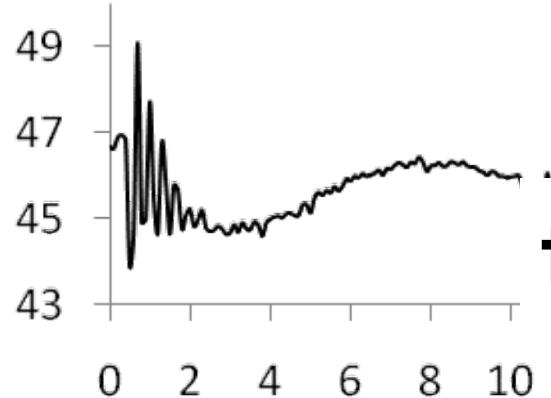
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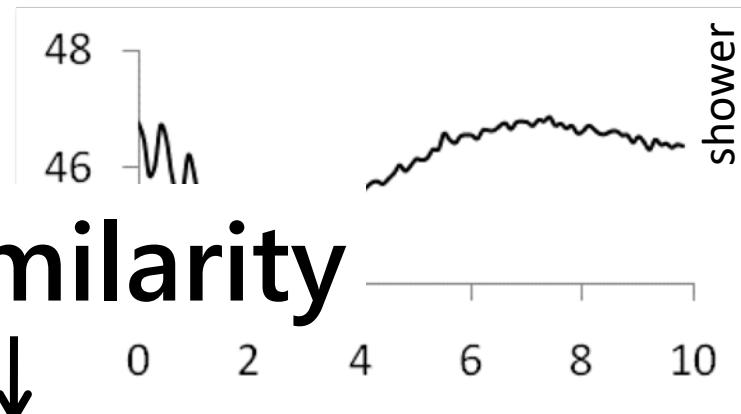
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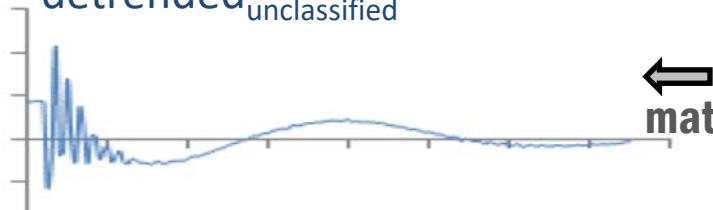
open event library



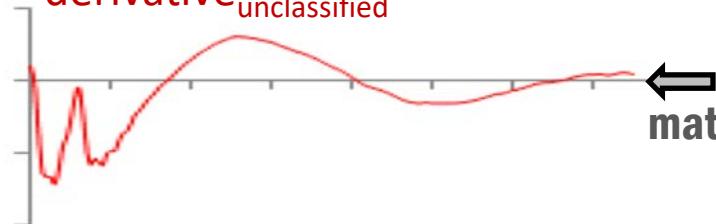
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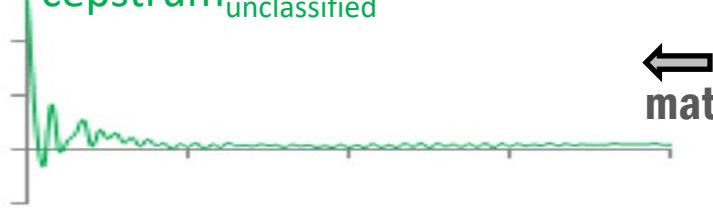
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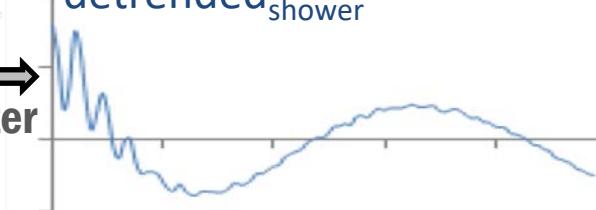


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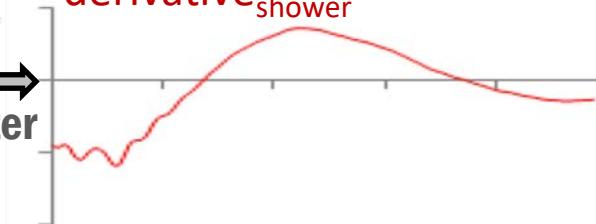


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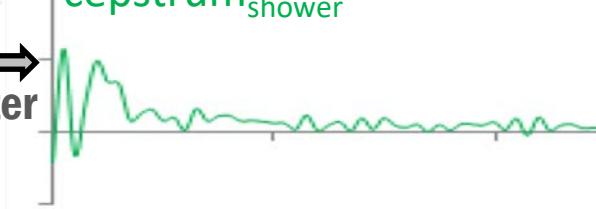
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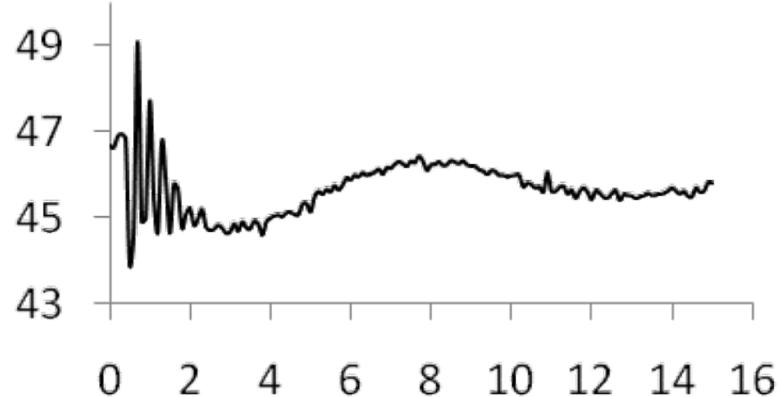
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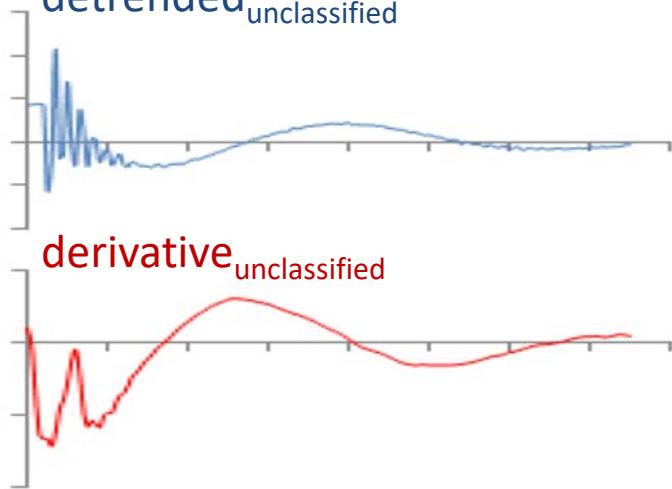


possible  
events

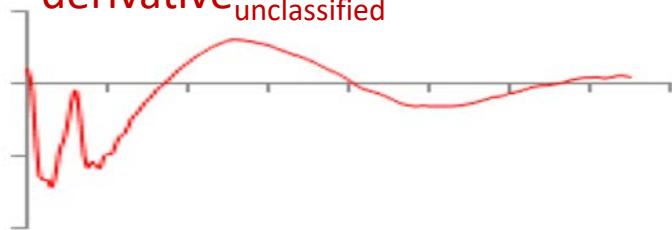
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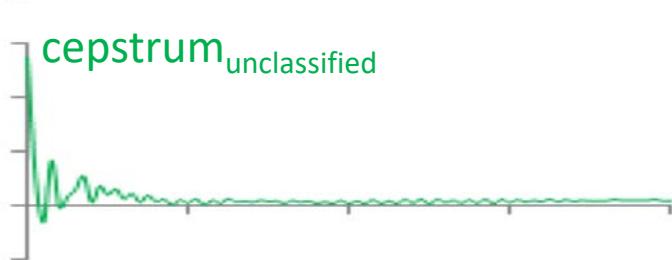
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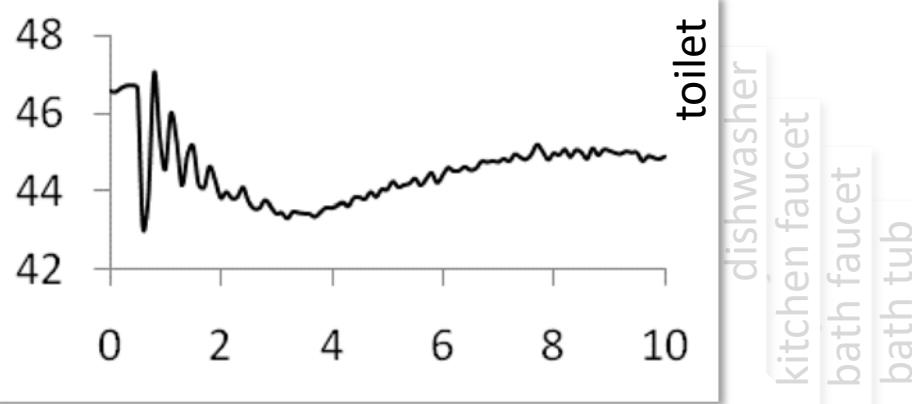
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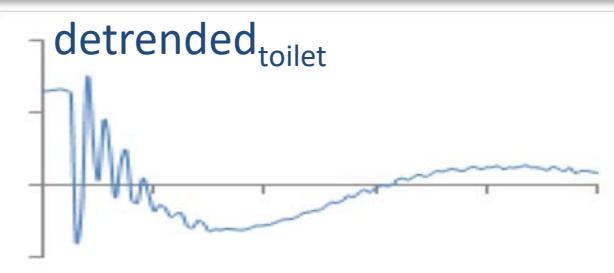
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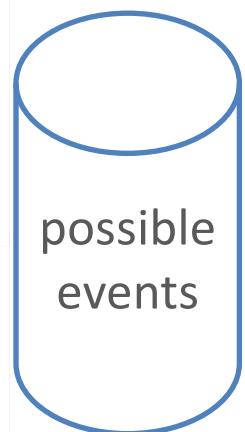
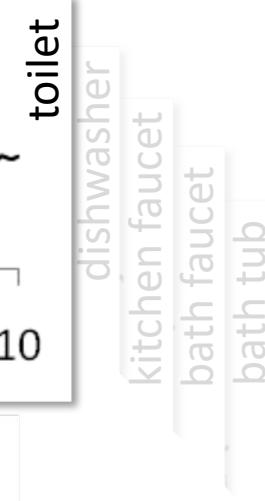
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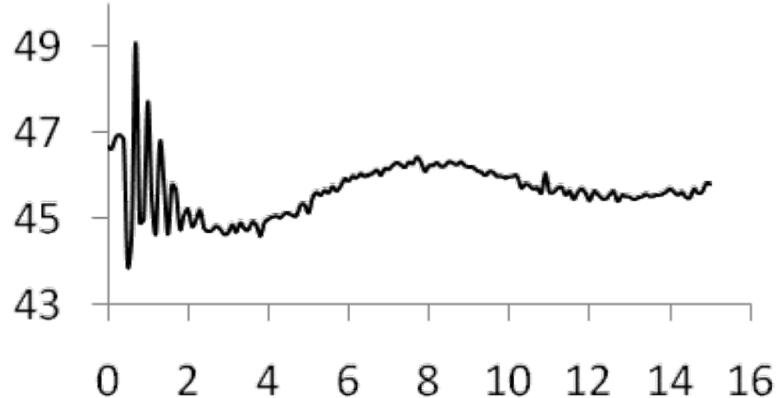
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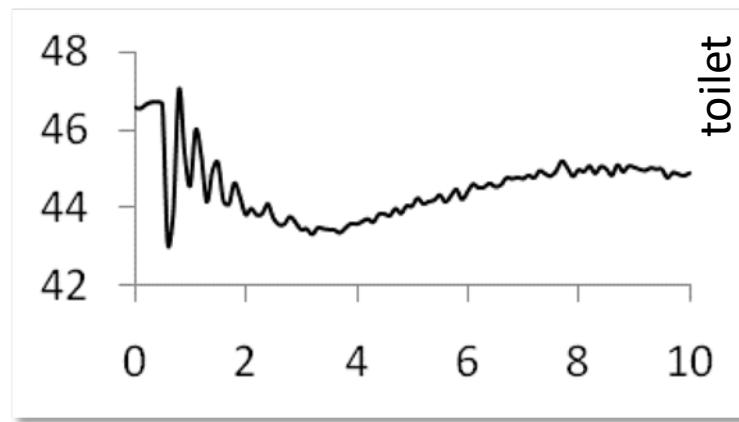
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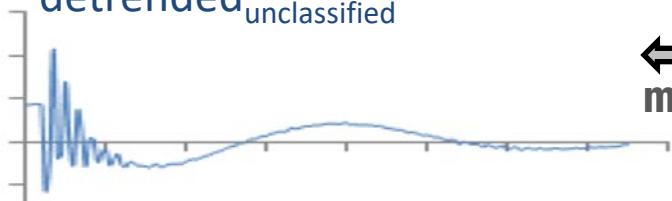


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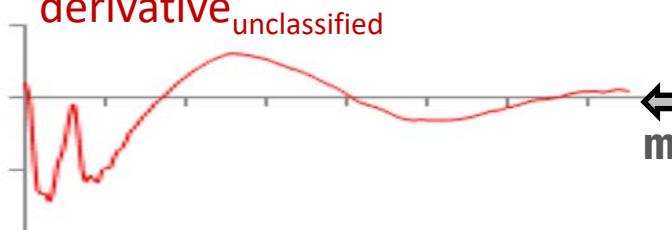


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kitchen faucet  
bath faucet  
bath tub

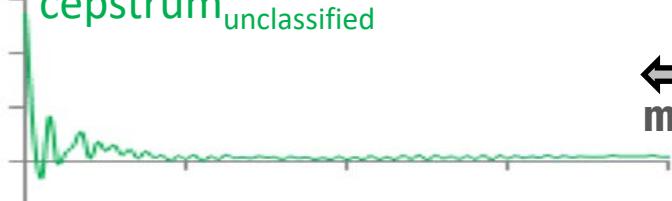
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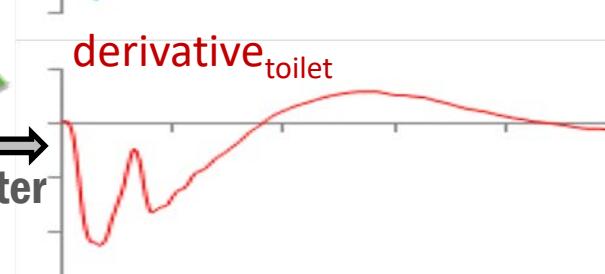
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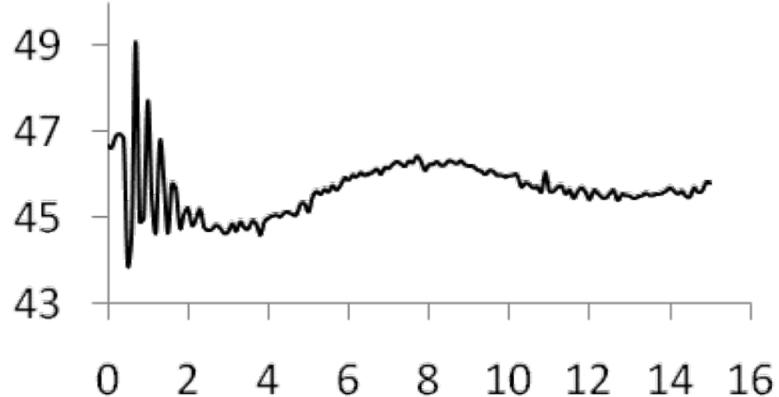
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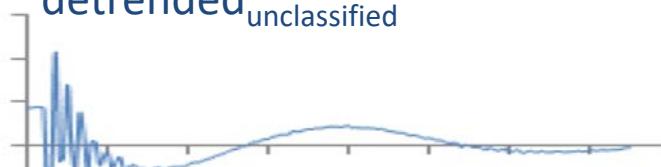
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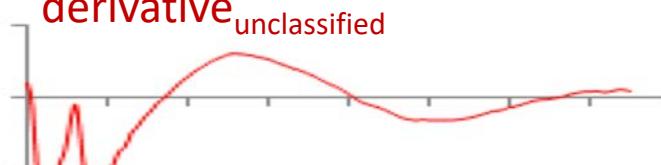
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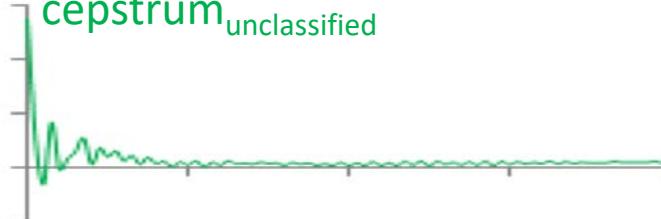
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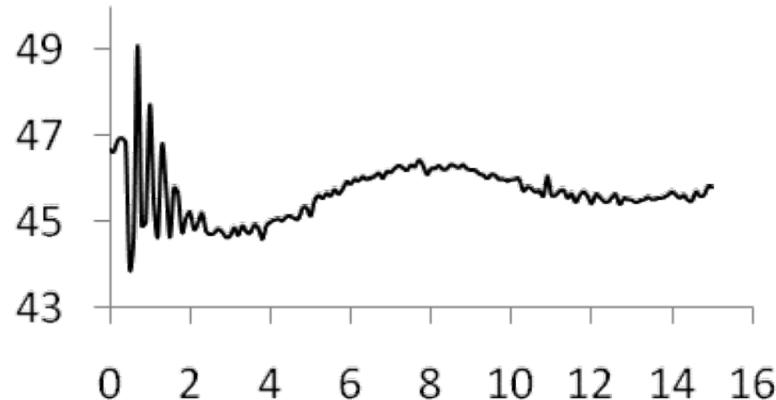
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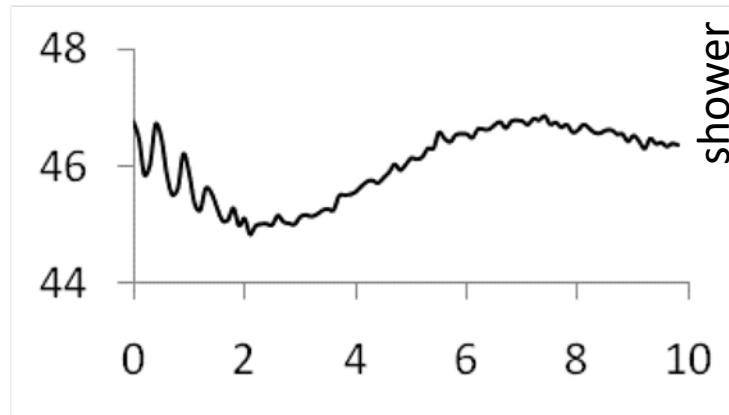
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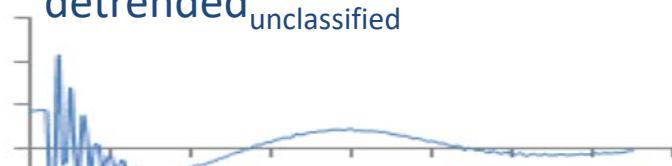
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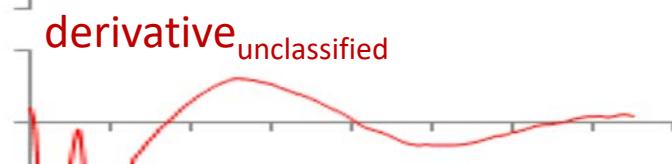
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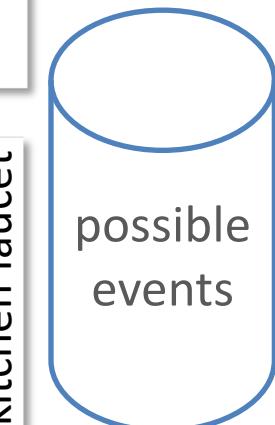
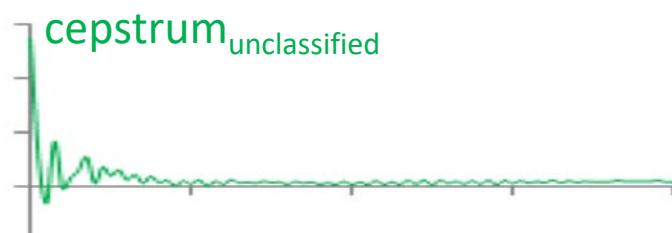
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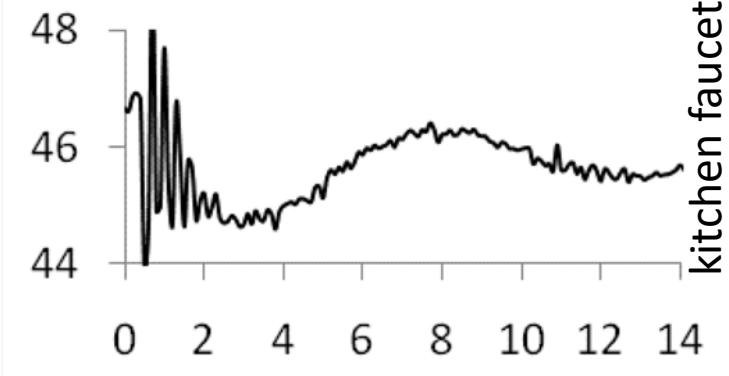
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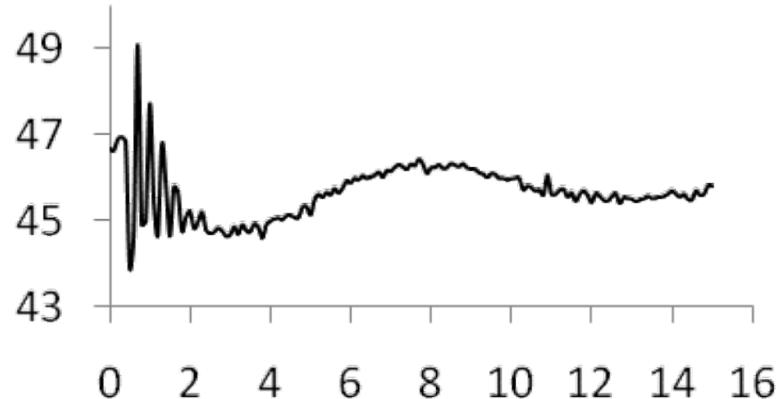


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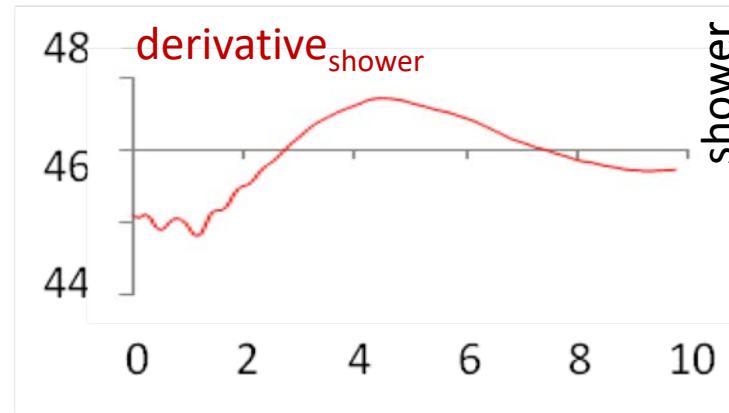


shower

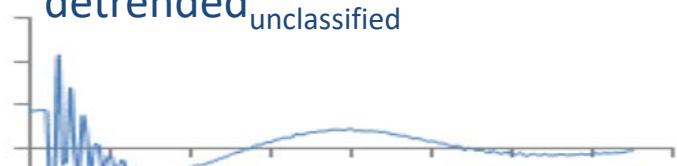
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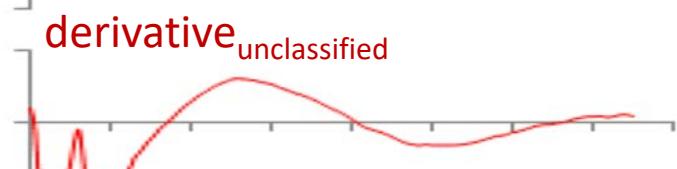
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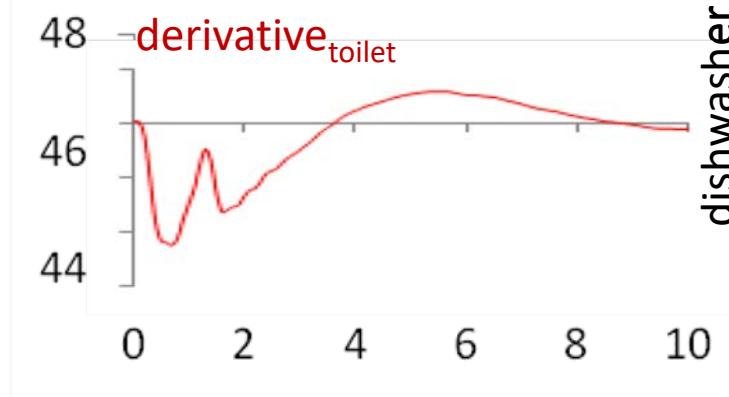
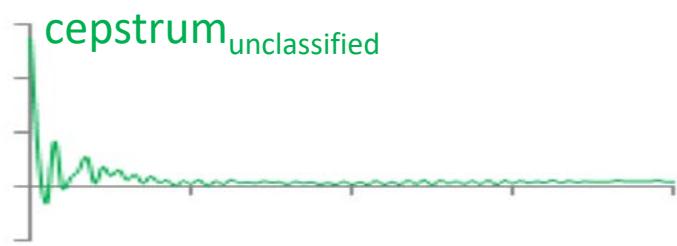
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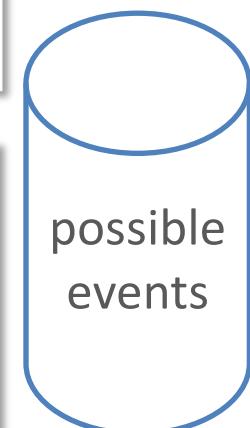
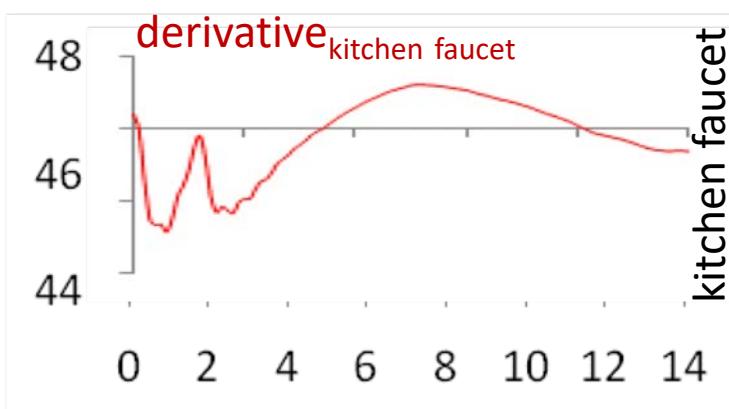
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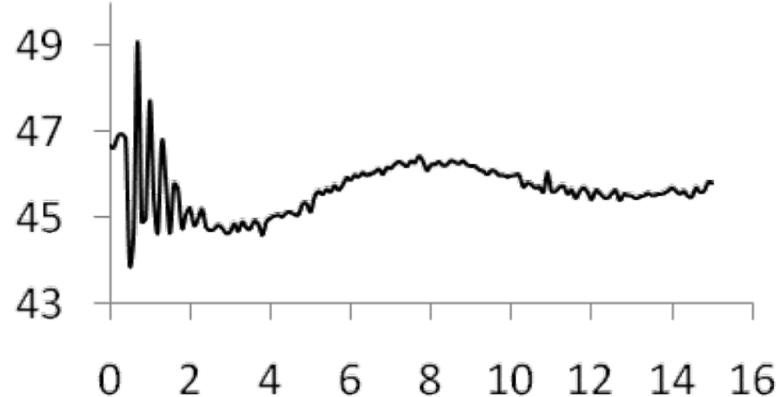
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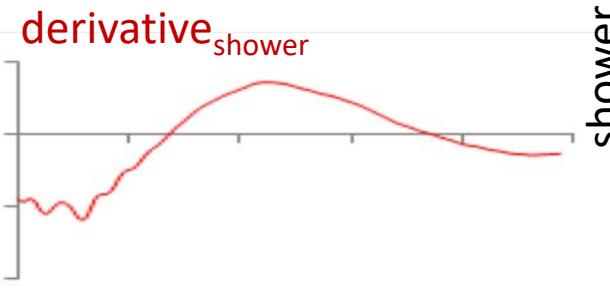
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unclassified open event



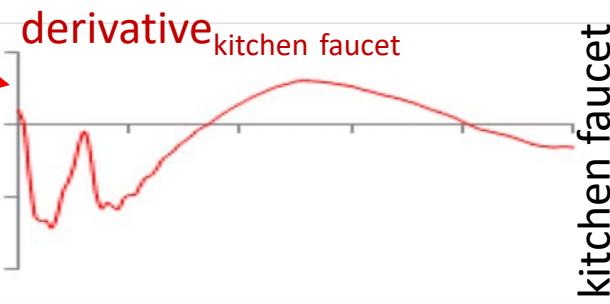
open event library



nearest neighbor  
match



derivative<sub>unclassified</sub>



# hydro study

#1

goal

study feasibility of using pressure  
to disaggregate water usage

approach

controlled experiments across  
10 homes

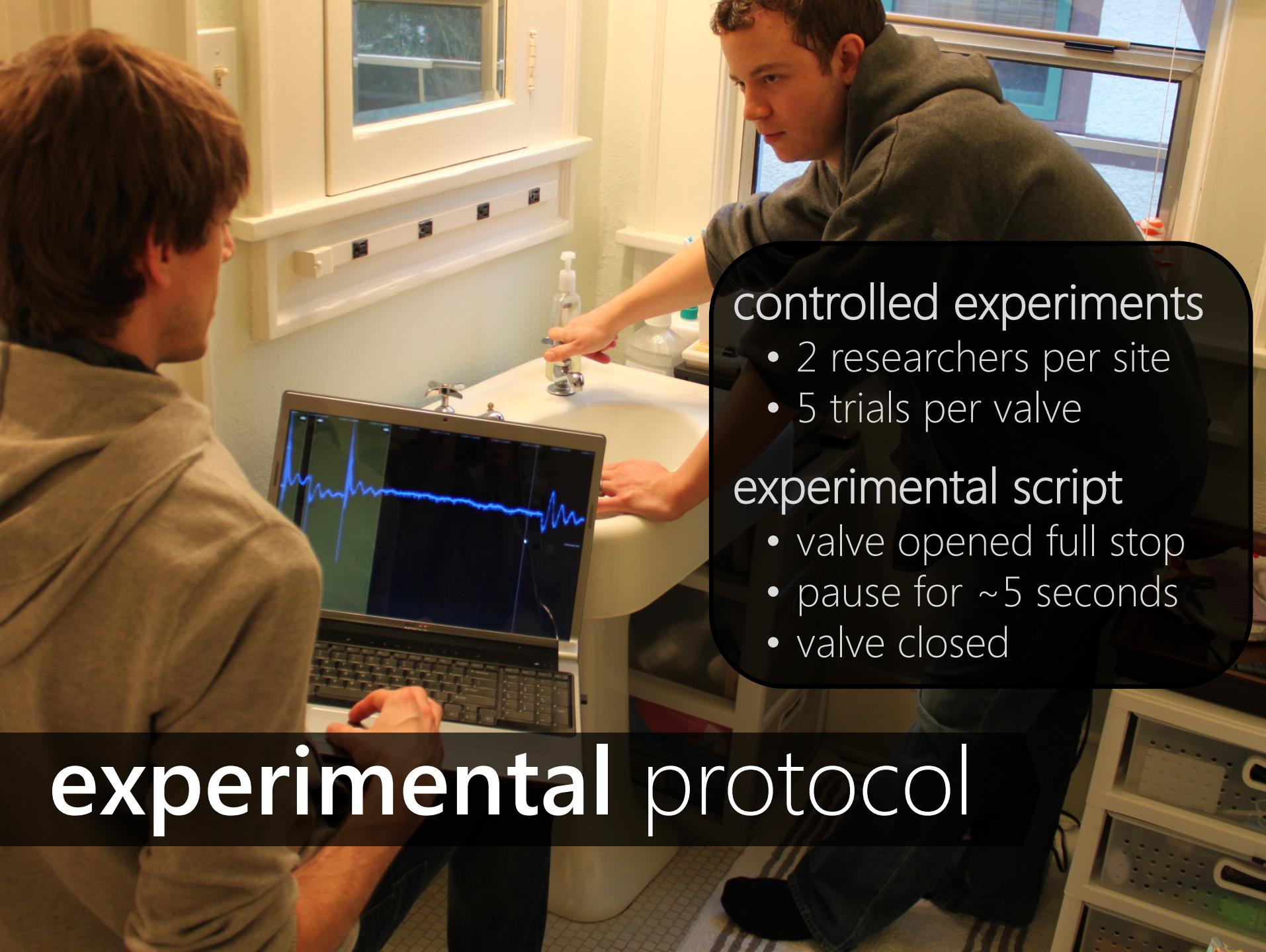
# experimental protocol

## controlled experiments

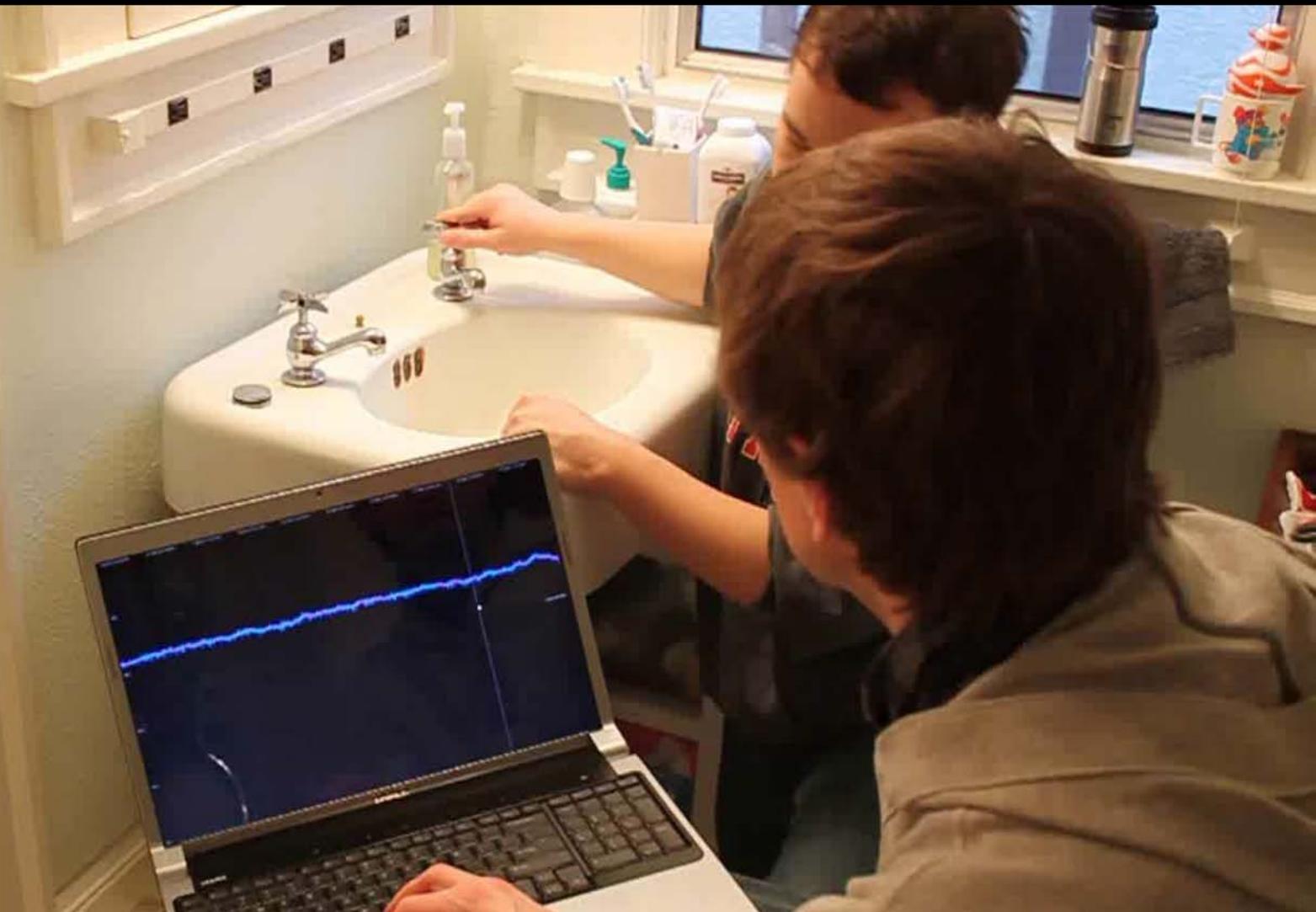
- 2 researchers per site
- 5 trials per valve

## experimental script

- valve opened full stop
- pause for ~5 seconds
- valve closed

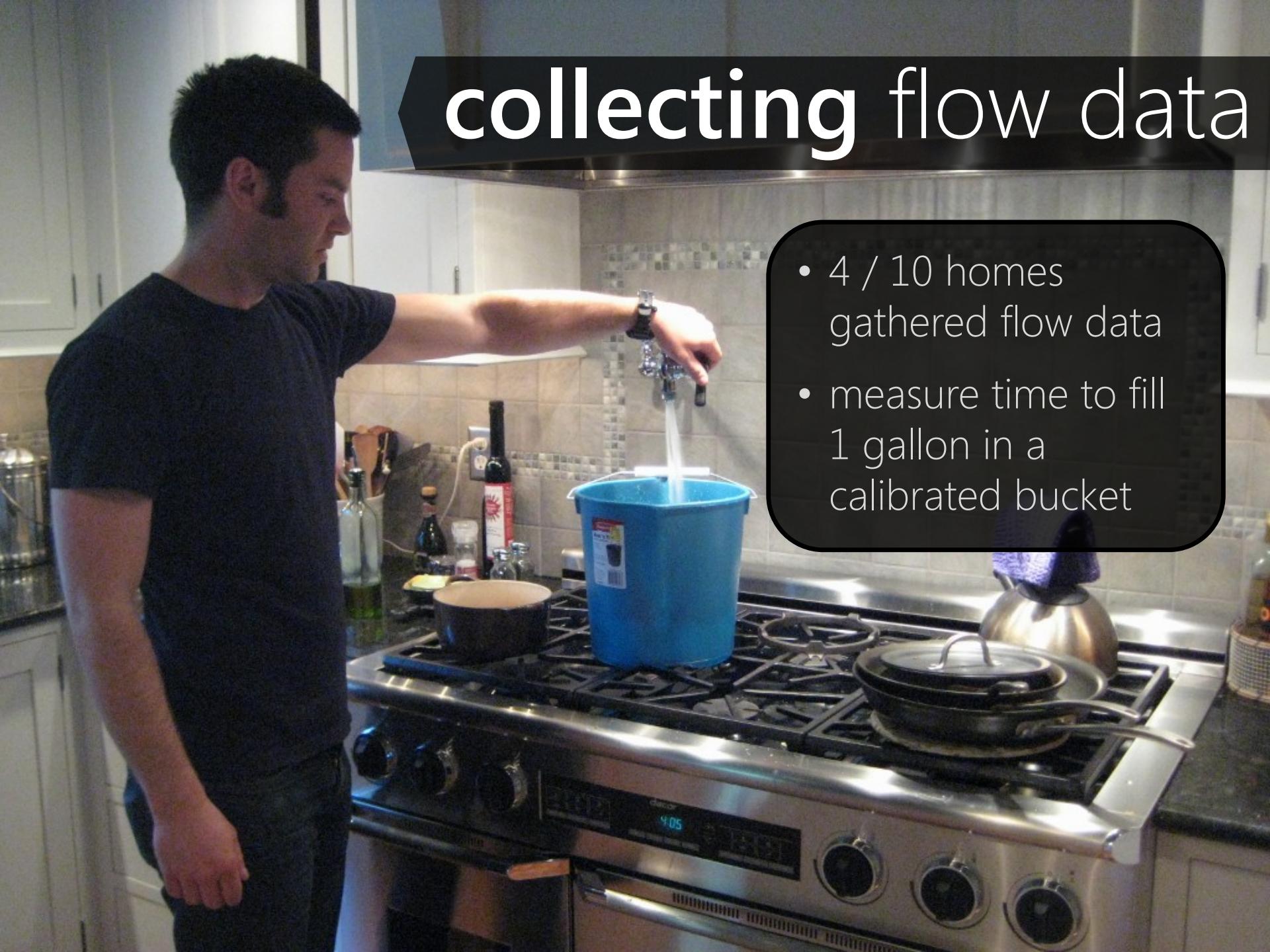


# controlled data collection



# collecting flow data

- 4 / 10 homes gathered flow data
- measure time to fill 1 gallon in a calibrated bucket



# data collection stats

ten test sites

- 706 trials
- 155 flow trials
- 84 total fixtures tested

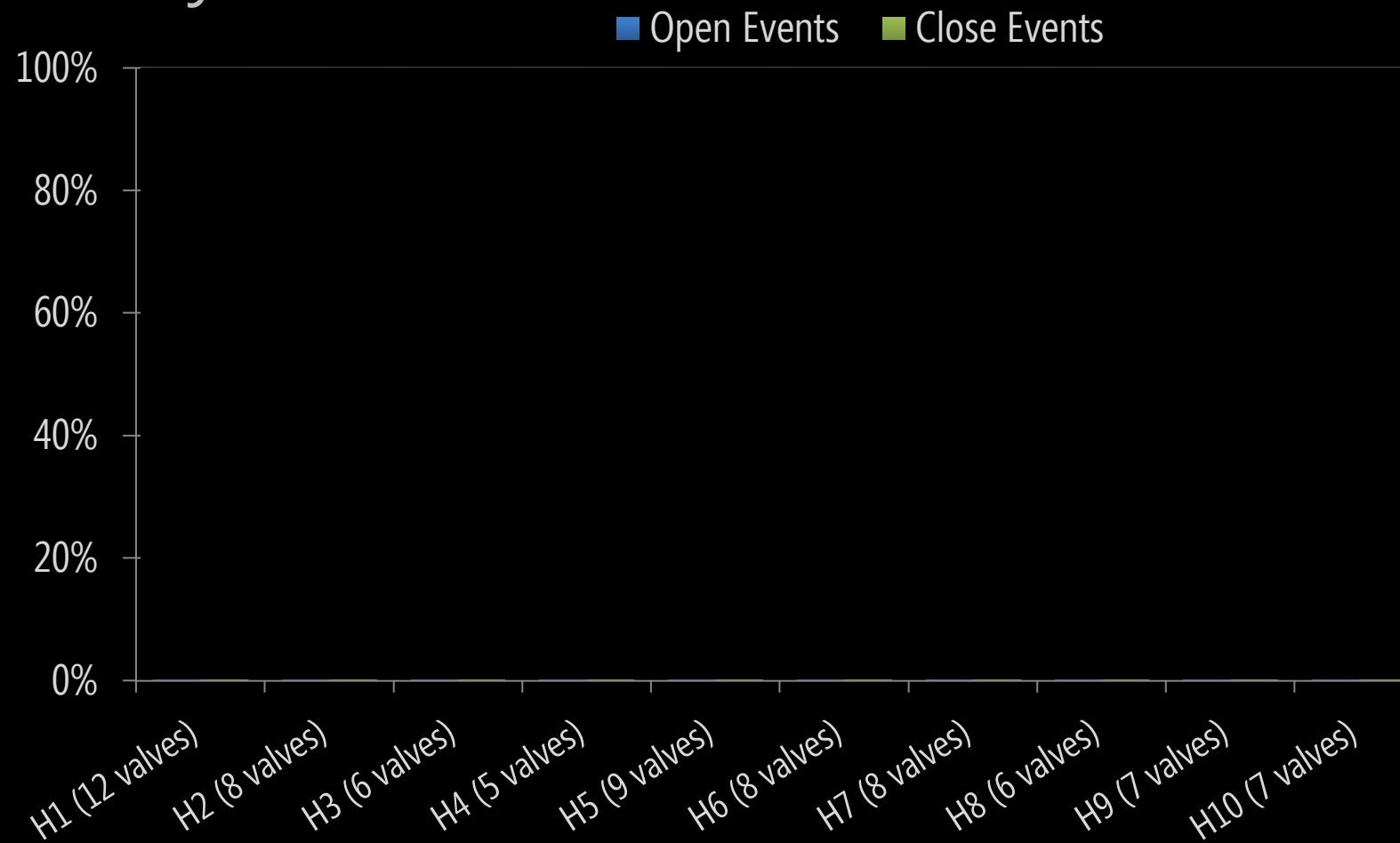


# classification experiments

## 10-fold cross validation

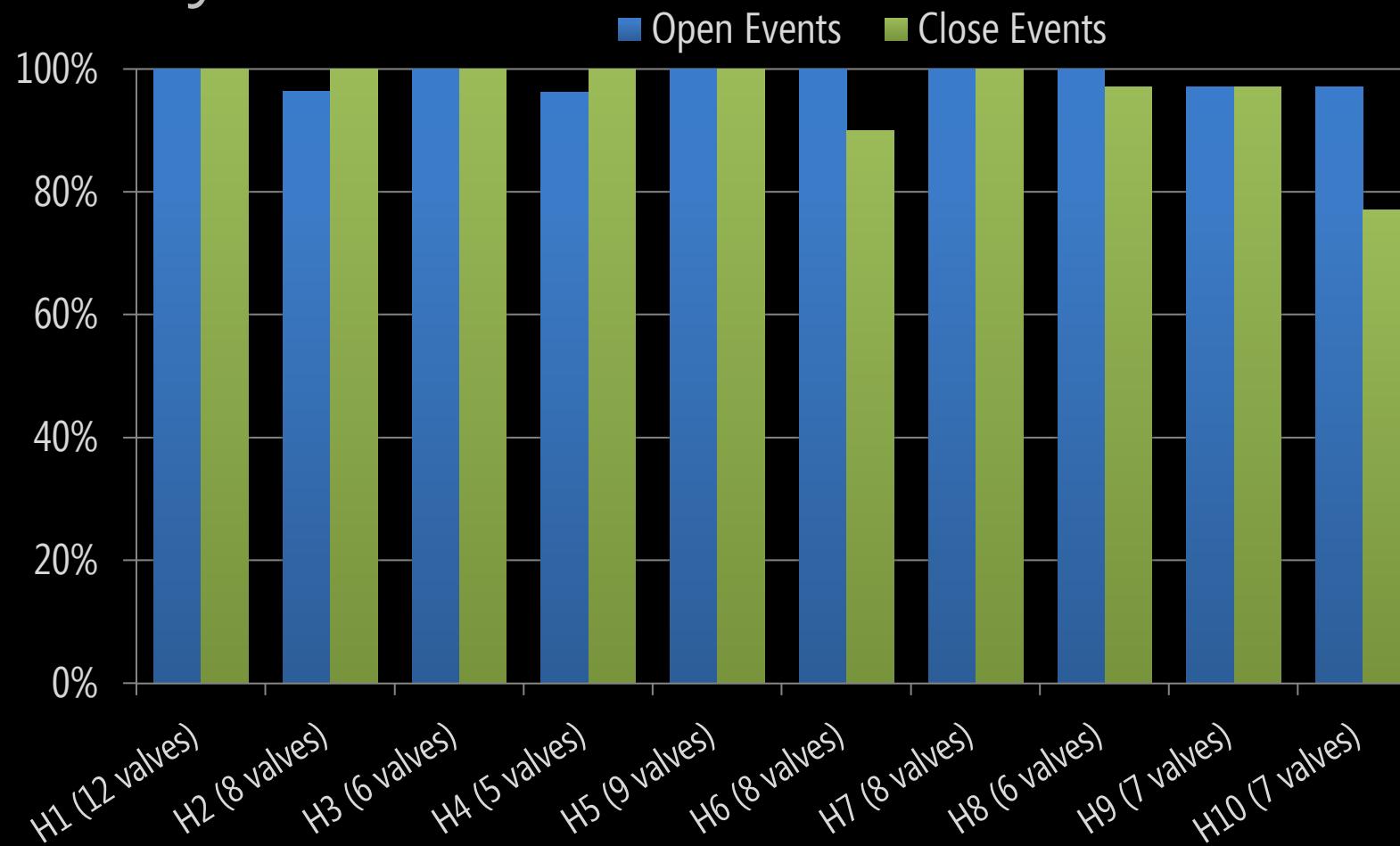
1. break data into 10 sets of size  $n/10$
2. train on 9 datasets and test on 1
3. repeat for each combination of datasets
4. take mean accuracy

# fixture classification results by home



10-fold cross validation

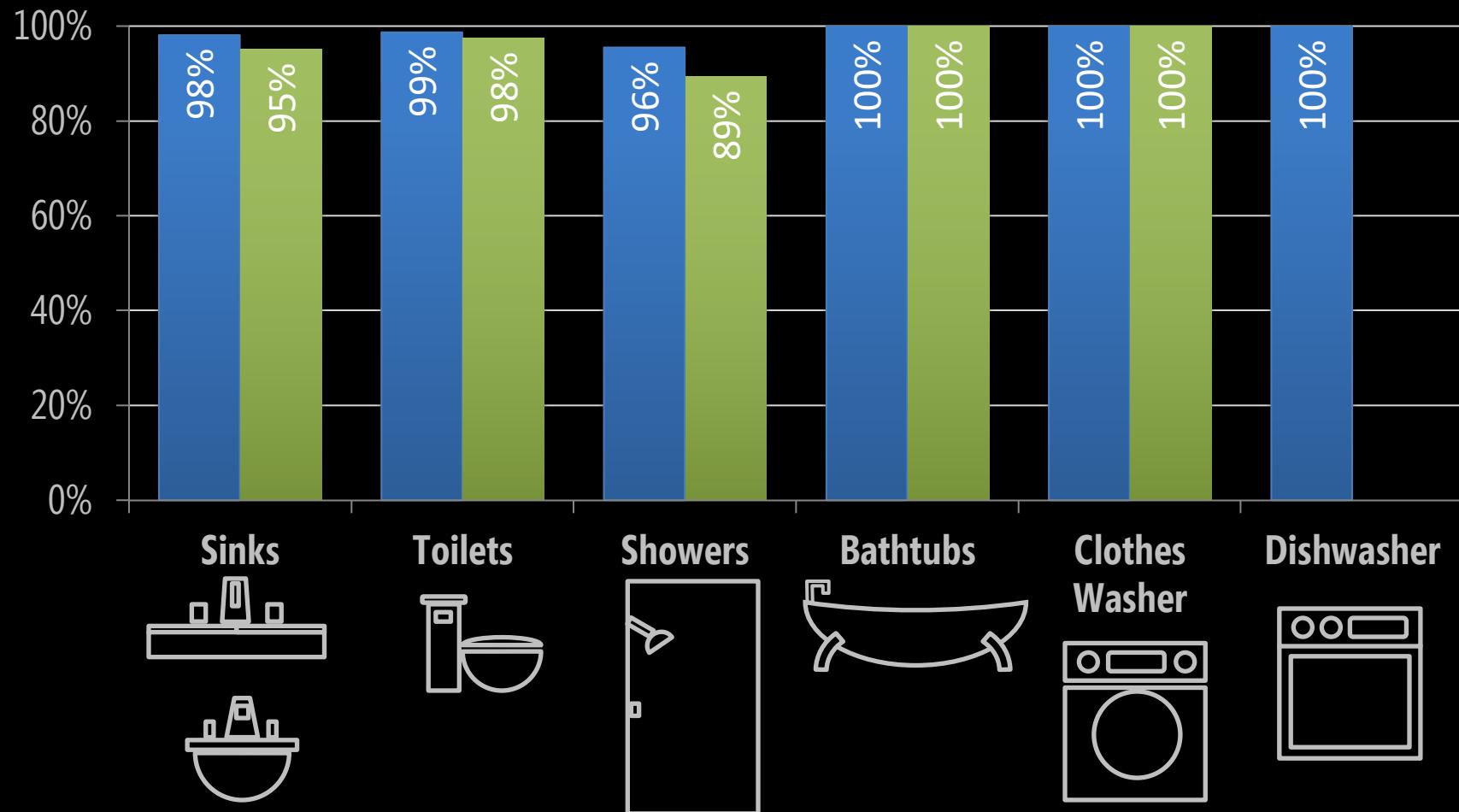
# fixture classification results by home



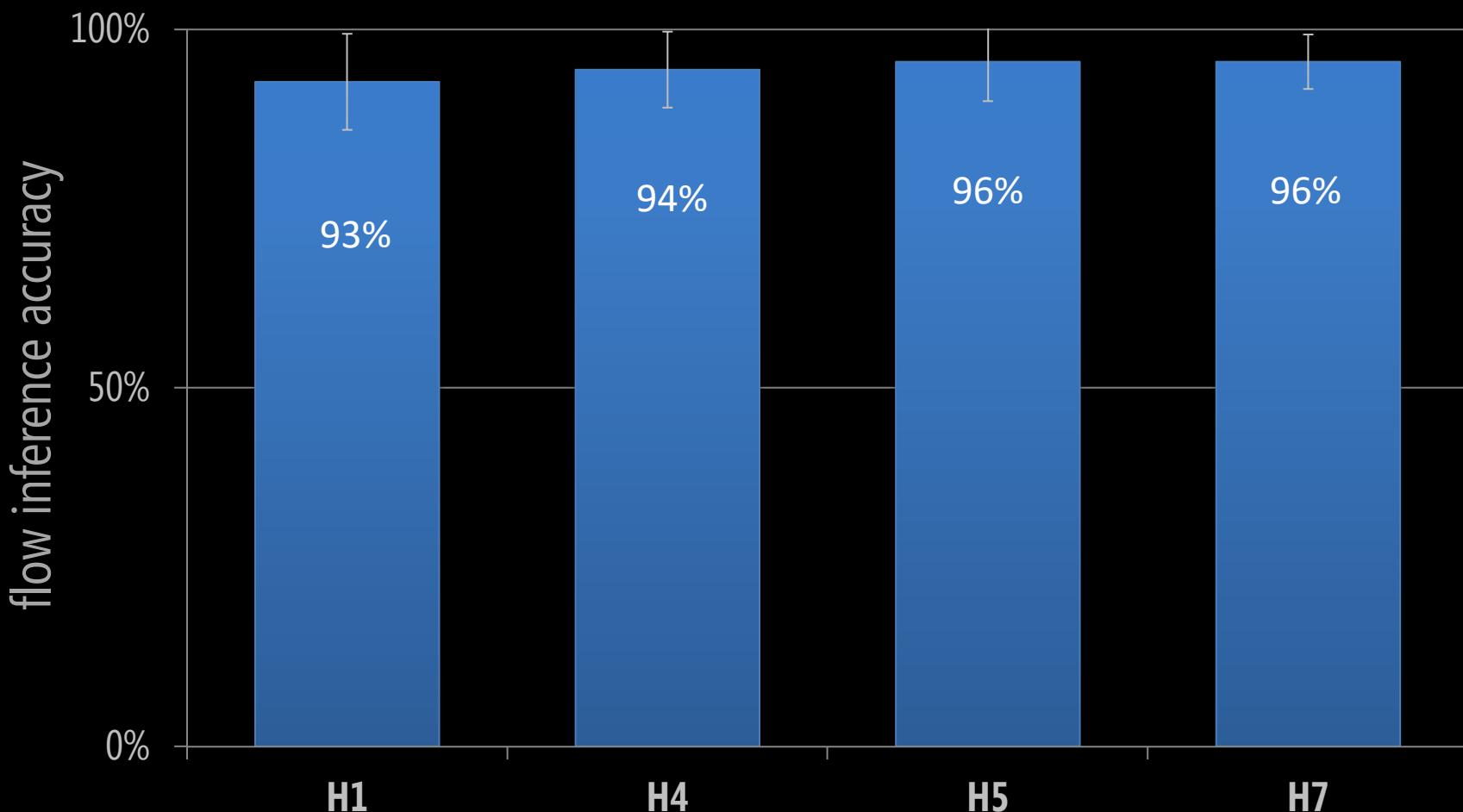
10-fold cross validation

# fixture classification results by fixture

■ Open Events ■ Close Events



# flow inference results by home



Within tolerances of domestic water meter accuracy; see [Arregui, 2003]

# hydro study

#1

contributions

built and evaluated wireless  
pressure sensor

first to show that pressure  
could be used to disaggregate  
water usage

# brushing teeth



# shaving

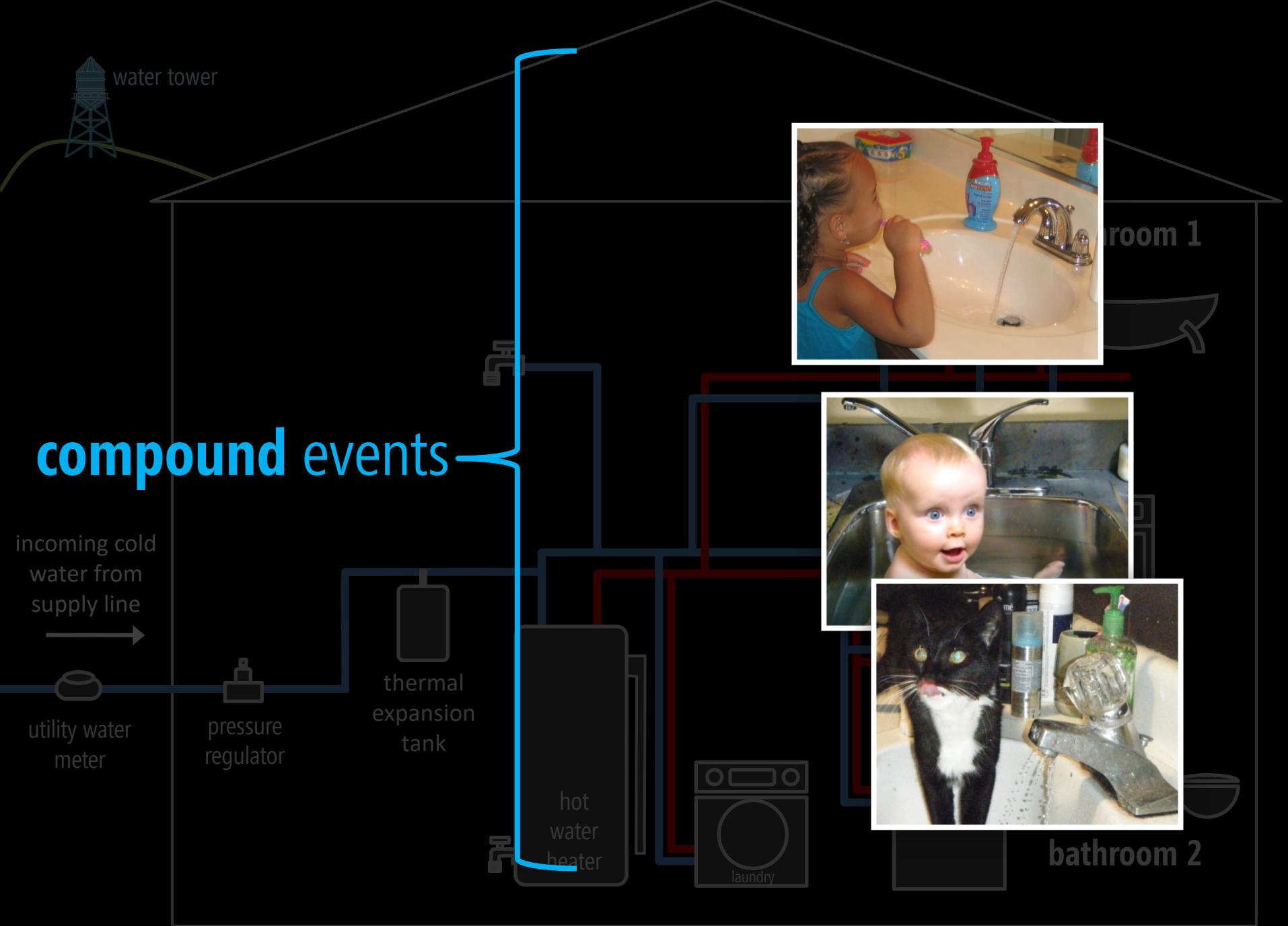


# bathing



# paw washing





# hydro study

#2

goal

study how well hydrosense can  
classify real world water usage

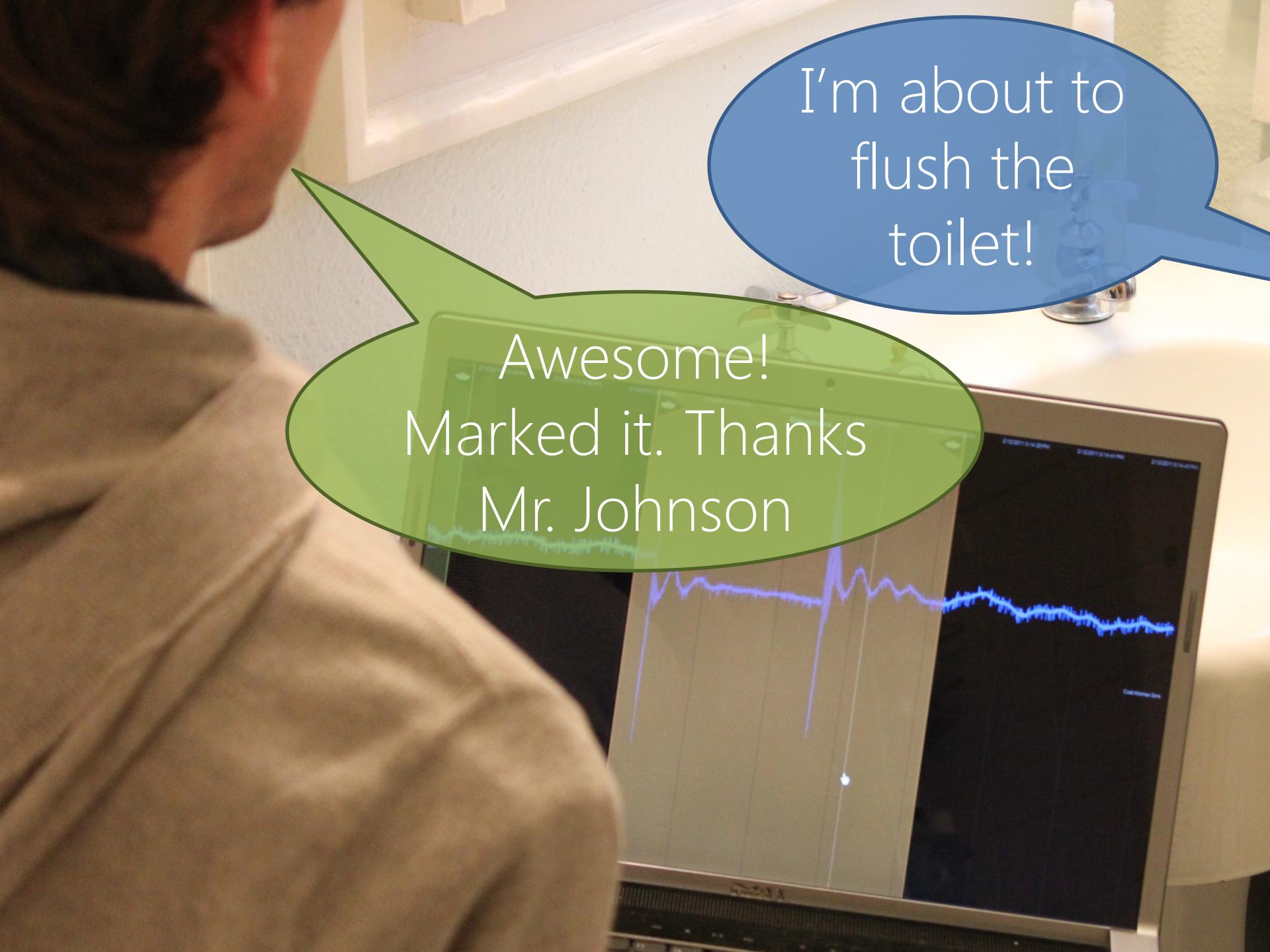
approach

5 week deployment in 5 homes



in the first study, pressure waves were **manually** annotated with “ground truth labels” describing:

- the fixture used
- the water temperature



I'm about to  
flush the  
toilet!

Awesome!  
Marked it. Thanks  
Mr. Johnson

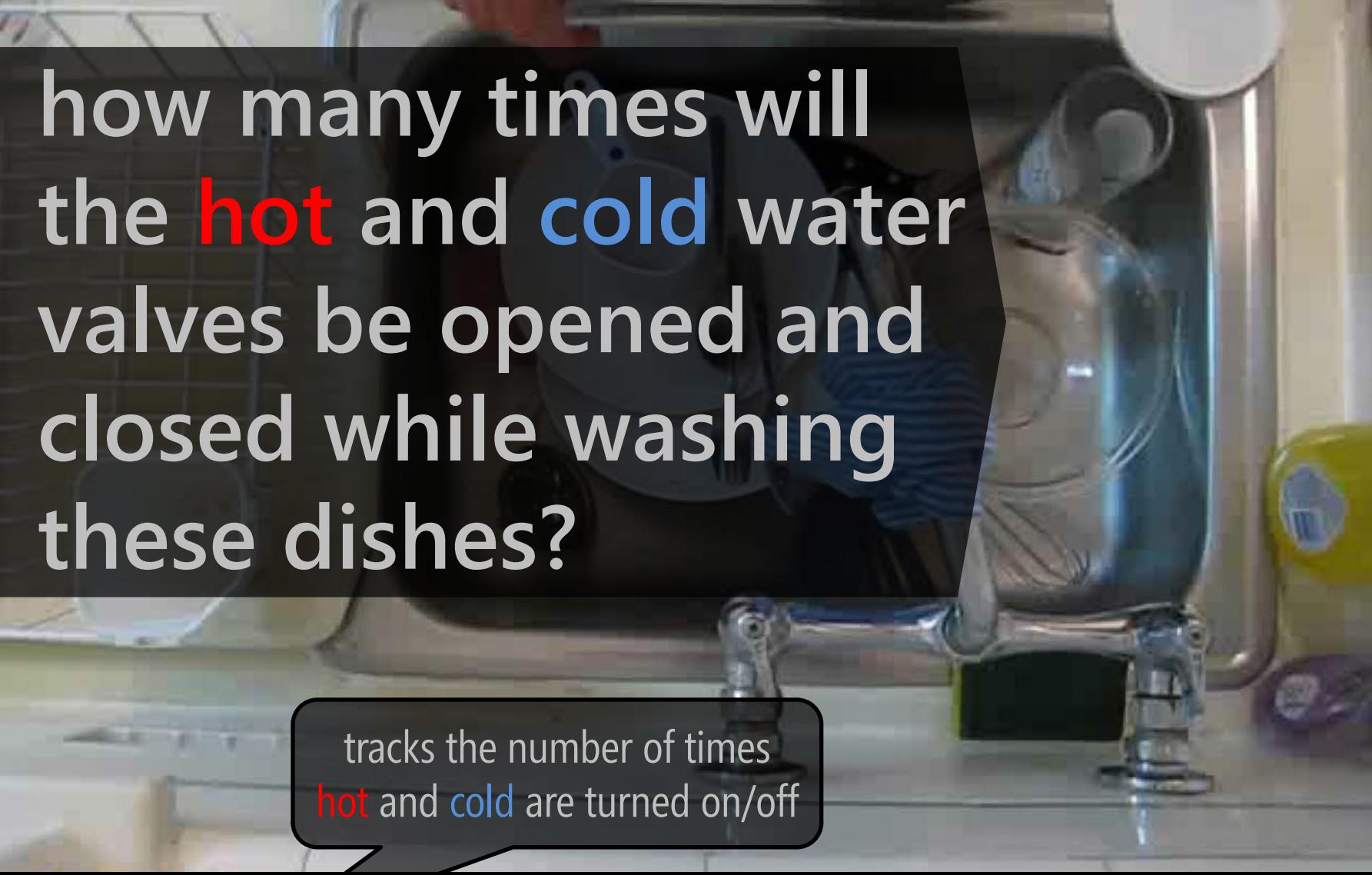
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can we record real-  
world water usage?

*collect ground  
truth labels of*

# wireless buttons





how many times will  
the **hot** and **cold** water  
valves be opened and  
closed while washing  
these dishes?

tracks the number of times  
**hot** and **cold** are turned on/off



hot: 0  
cold: 0

# wireless buttons



# other failed solutions



# intel labs shake sensors



# thermistors

**FAIL #3**

# nike+ piezo sensor



FAIL #4

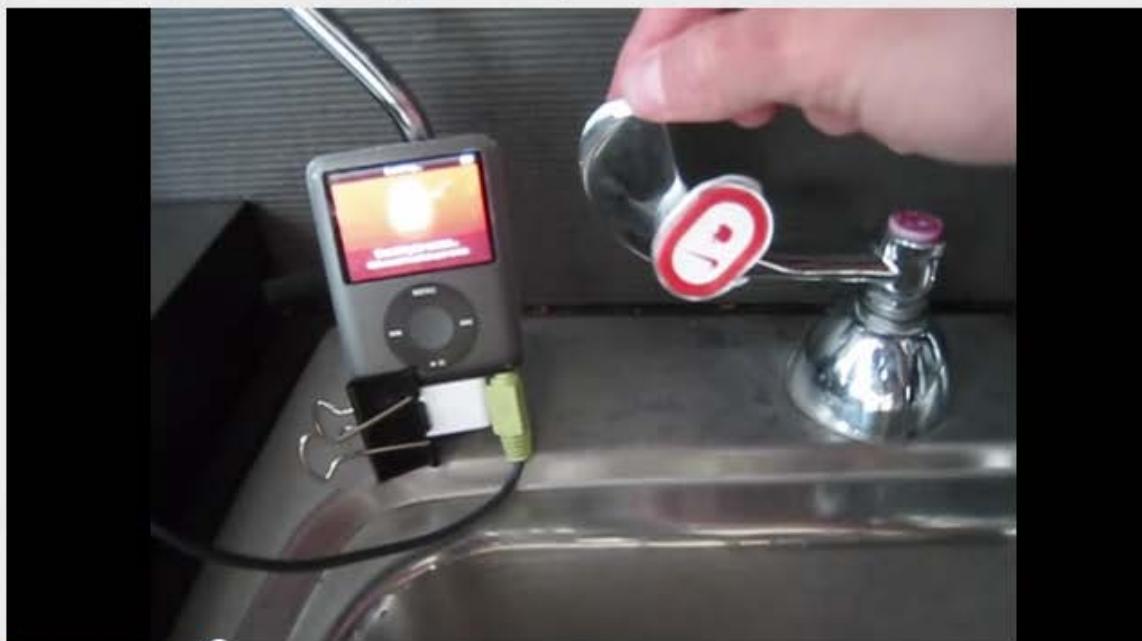
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## Can the Nike+iPod Detect Water Facuet Handle Movement

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The HydroSense team conducted a set of short, simple experiments investigating whether the Nike+iPod piezoelectric sensor could be used to detect faucet open/close handle movements.

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our solution...



custom  
direct  
sensors



# automated ground truth labeling method

design goals

- hardware** capabilities
  - 1. wireless communication
  - 2. low-power
  - 3. water resistant
  
- sensing** capabilities
  - 1. work across fixtures/appliances
  - 2. detect opens/closes
  - 3. discriminate hot/cold/mixed

# function across fixtures



kitchen sink



bathroom sink



bath



shower



toilet



laundry basin



washing machine



dishwasher

# challenge: fixture diversity



single handle faucet

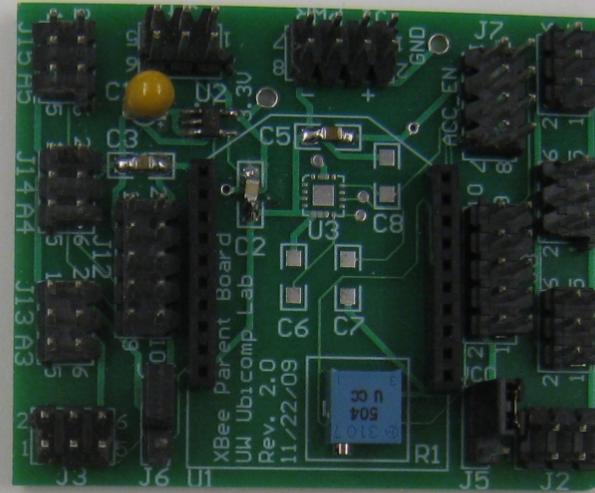


dual handle faucet

# custom ground truth data collection system



xbee wireless modem



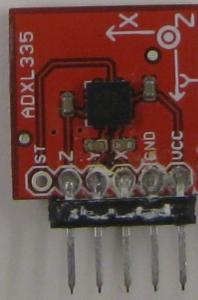
fixture usage sensor board



hall  
effect



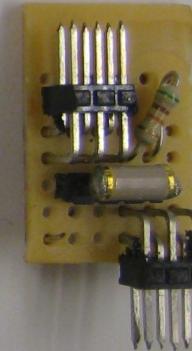
reed  
switch



3-axis  
accelerometer



unidirectional ball  
switch

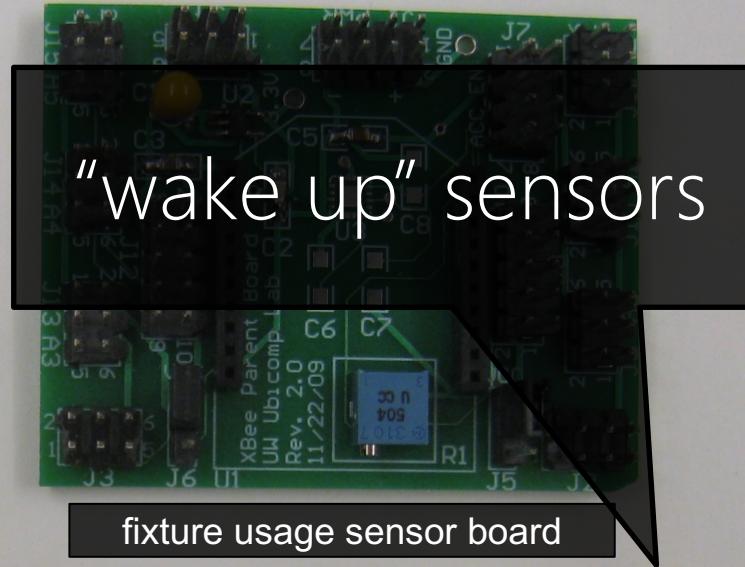


omnidirectional ball switch

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xbee wireless modem



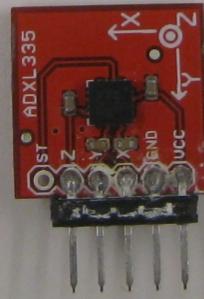
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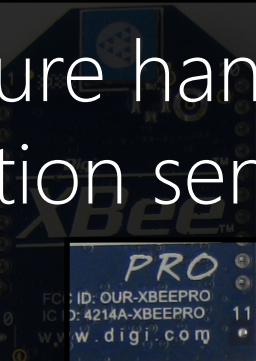
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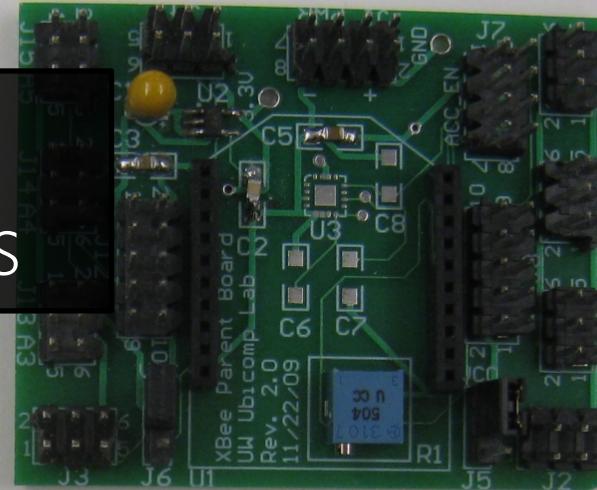
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# custom ground truth data collection system

fixture handle  
position sensors



xbee wireless modem



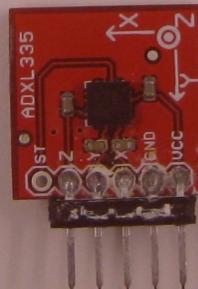
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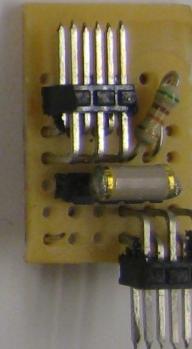
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accelerometer



unidirectional ball  
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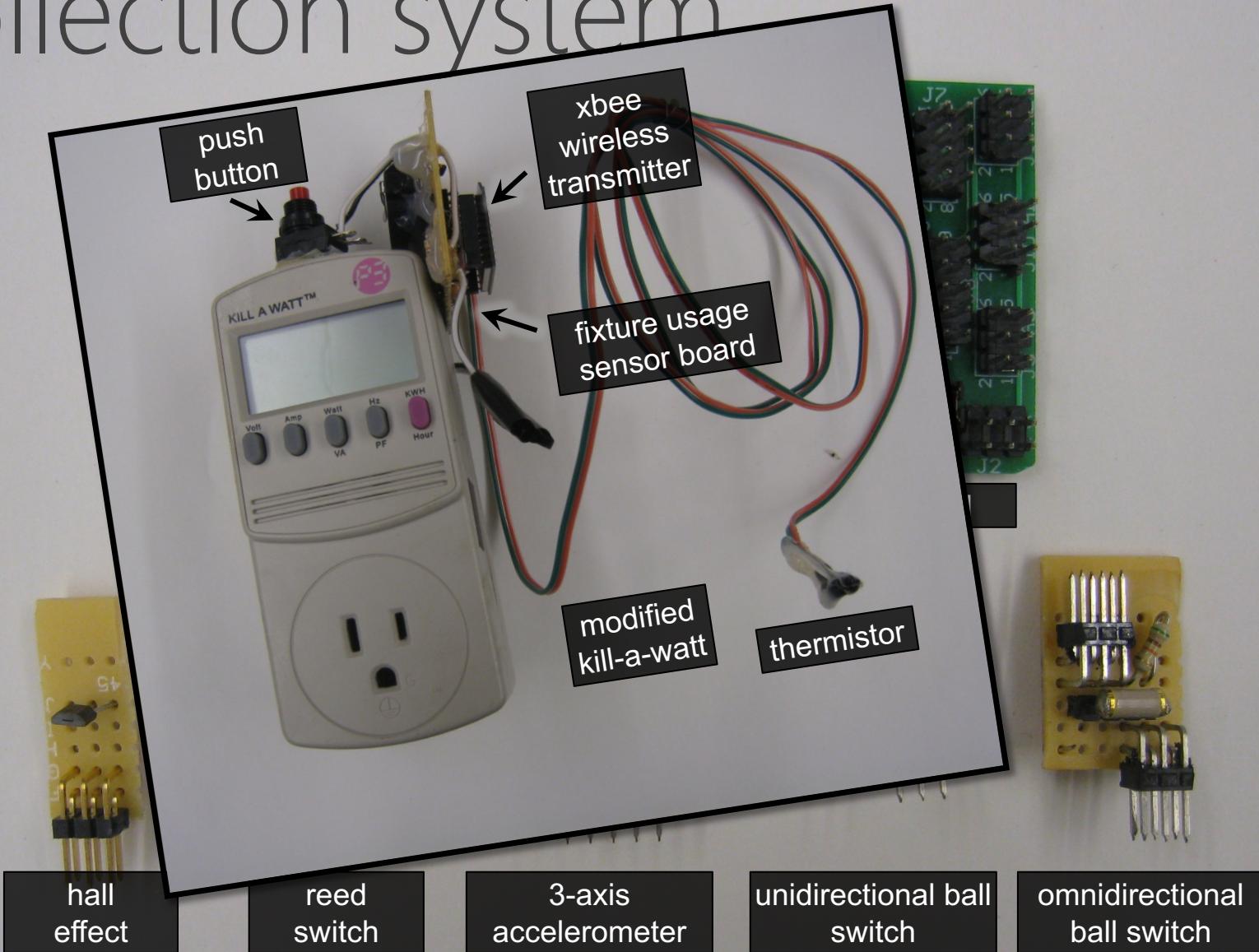
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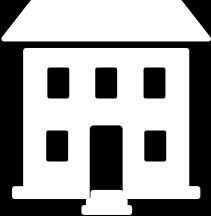
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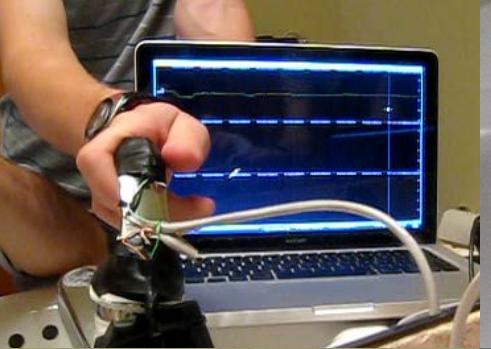


# custom ground truth data collection system



# deployment sites

					
residents	2	2	4	2	2
size	3000 sqft	750 sqft	1200 sqft	700 sqft	750 sqft
floors	3	2	2	3 <sup>rd</sup> flr	6 <sup>th</sup> flr
fixtures	17	8	13	8	8
valves	28	13	21	13	13





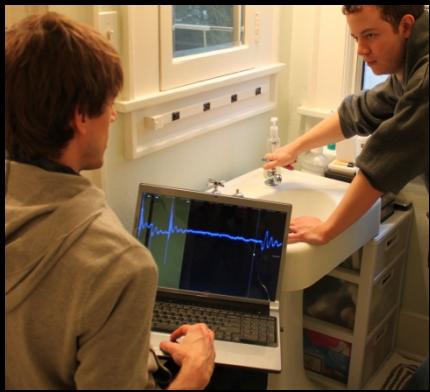




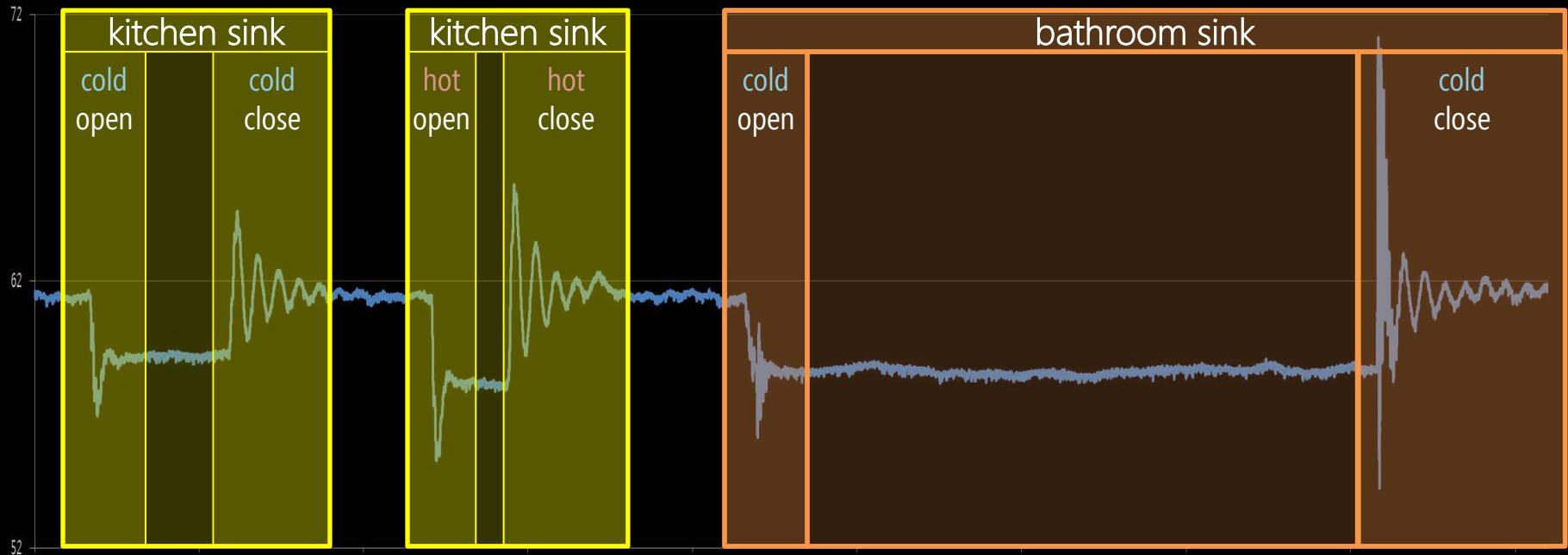




# ground truth labels

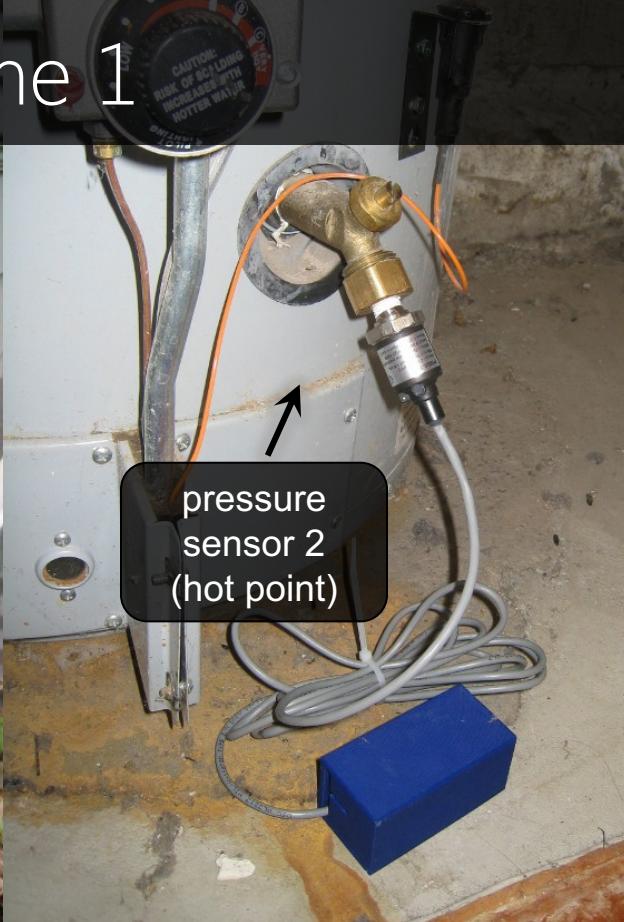


manual → automatic



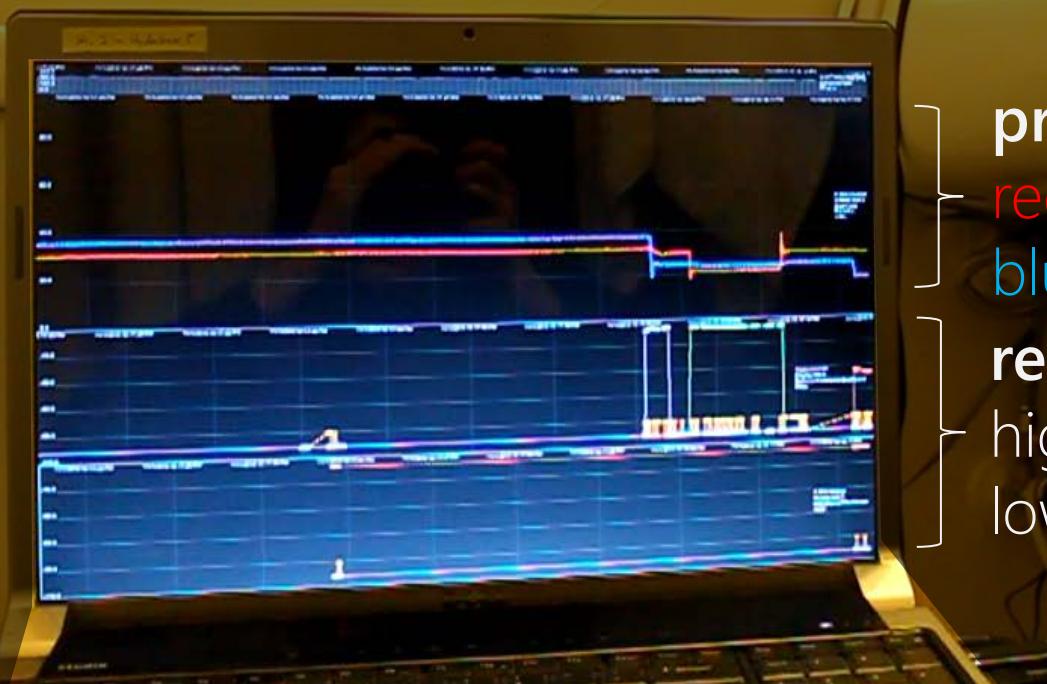
# two pressure sensors per home

home 1



# hydrosense data logger

records ground truth sensor data plus  
two pressure streams for each home



**pressure stream**

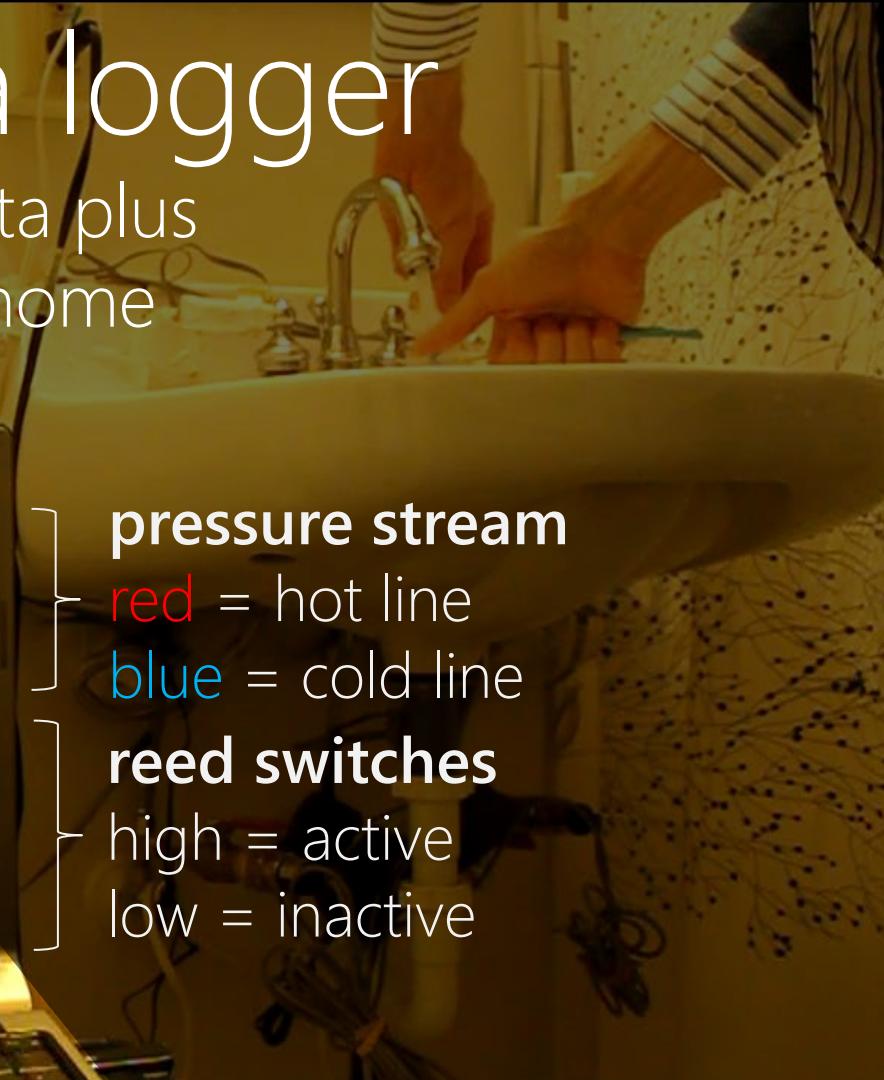
red = hot line

blue = cold line

**reed switches**

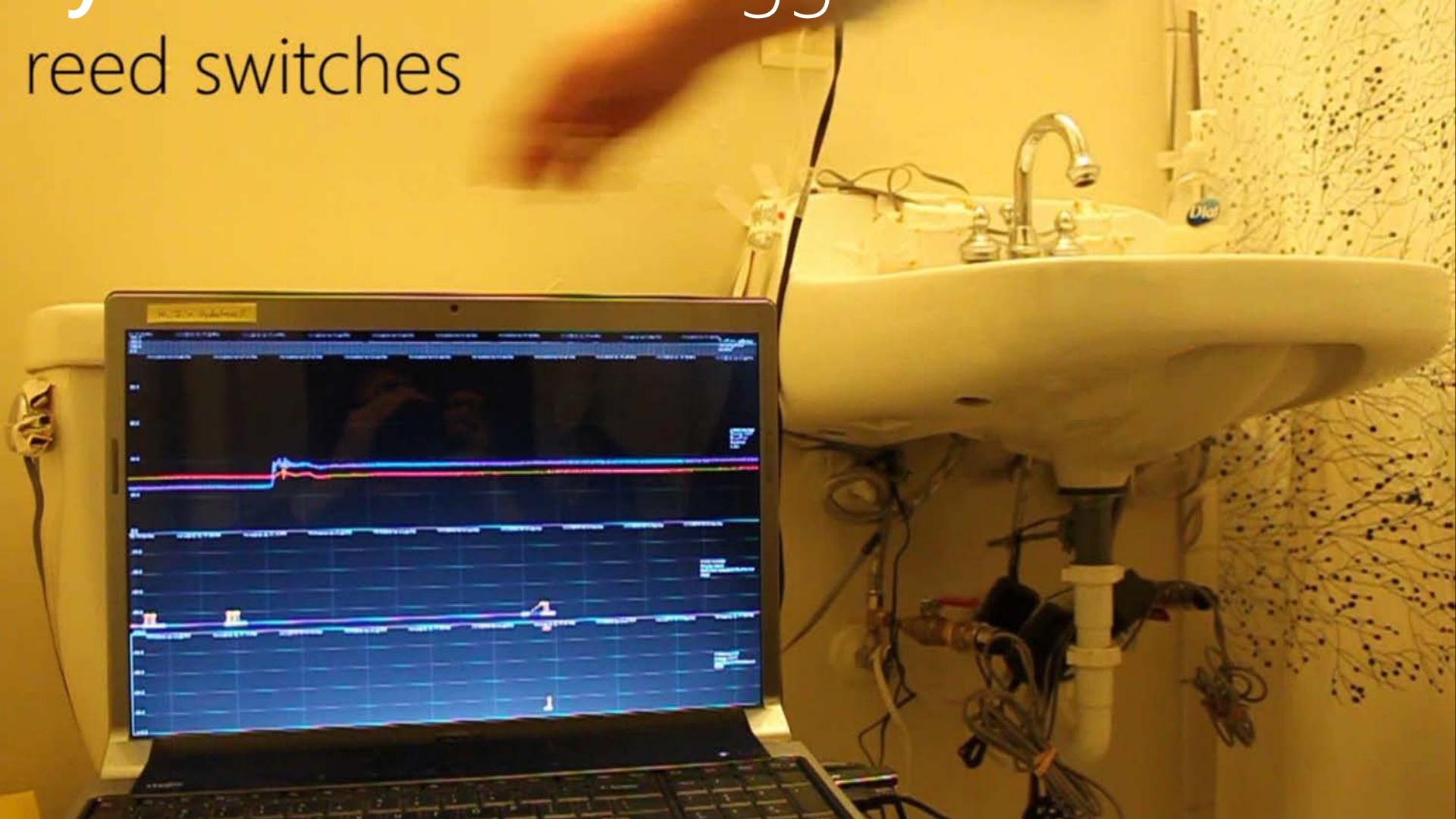
high = active

low = inactive



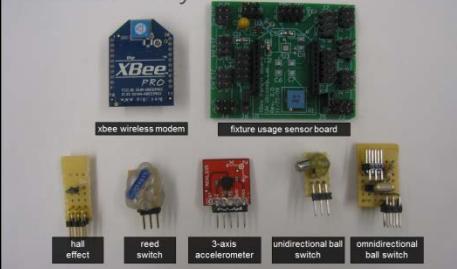
# hydroSense data logger

reed switches



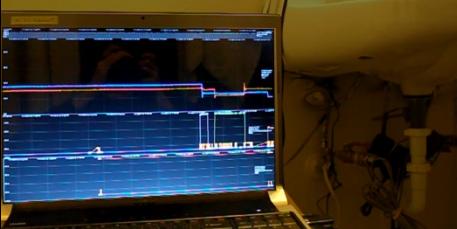
# hydro deployment infrastructure

custom ground truth data collection system



hydrosense data logger

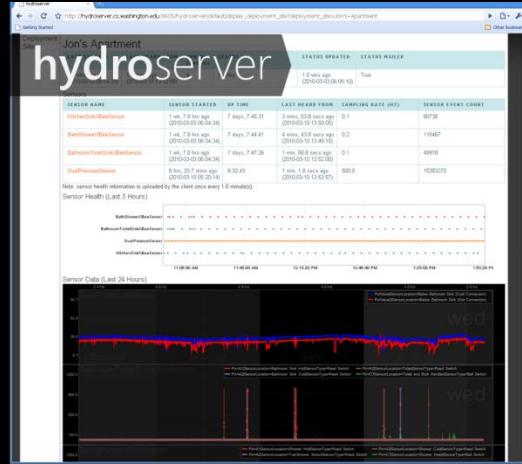
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two pressure sensors

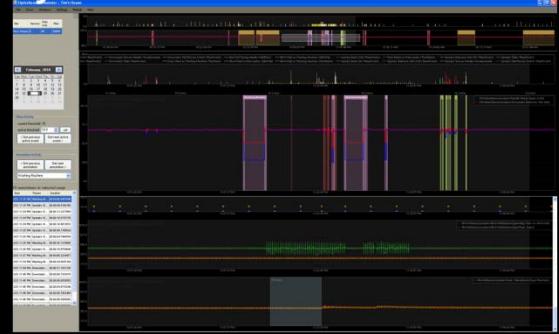


on-site sensing infrastructure

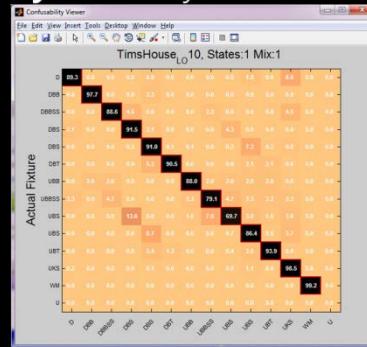


python web backend

hydrovisualizer



hydroanalyzer



c# and matlab analysis tools

# hydroSense annotations

1. **ground truth** sensor

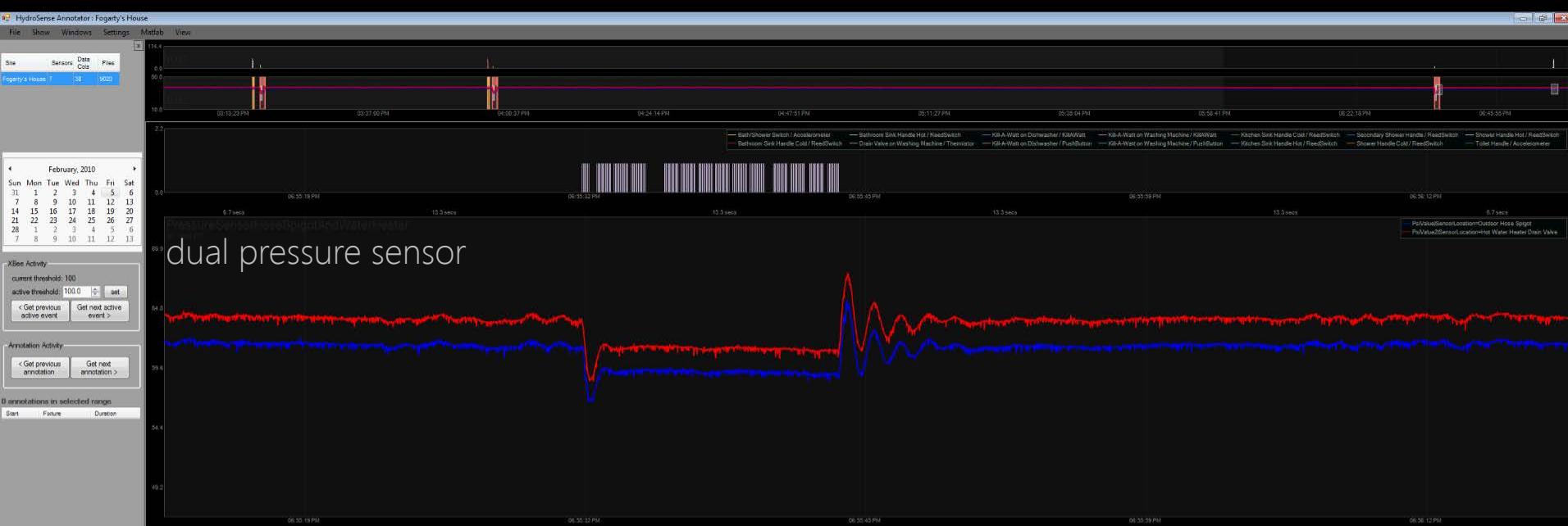
2. **semi-automated** label

3. **review** annotator

4. **verification**

5. **final** label



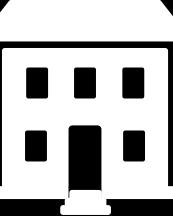
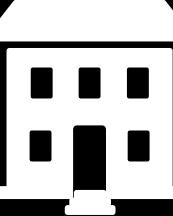




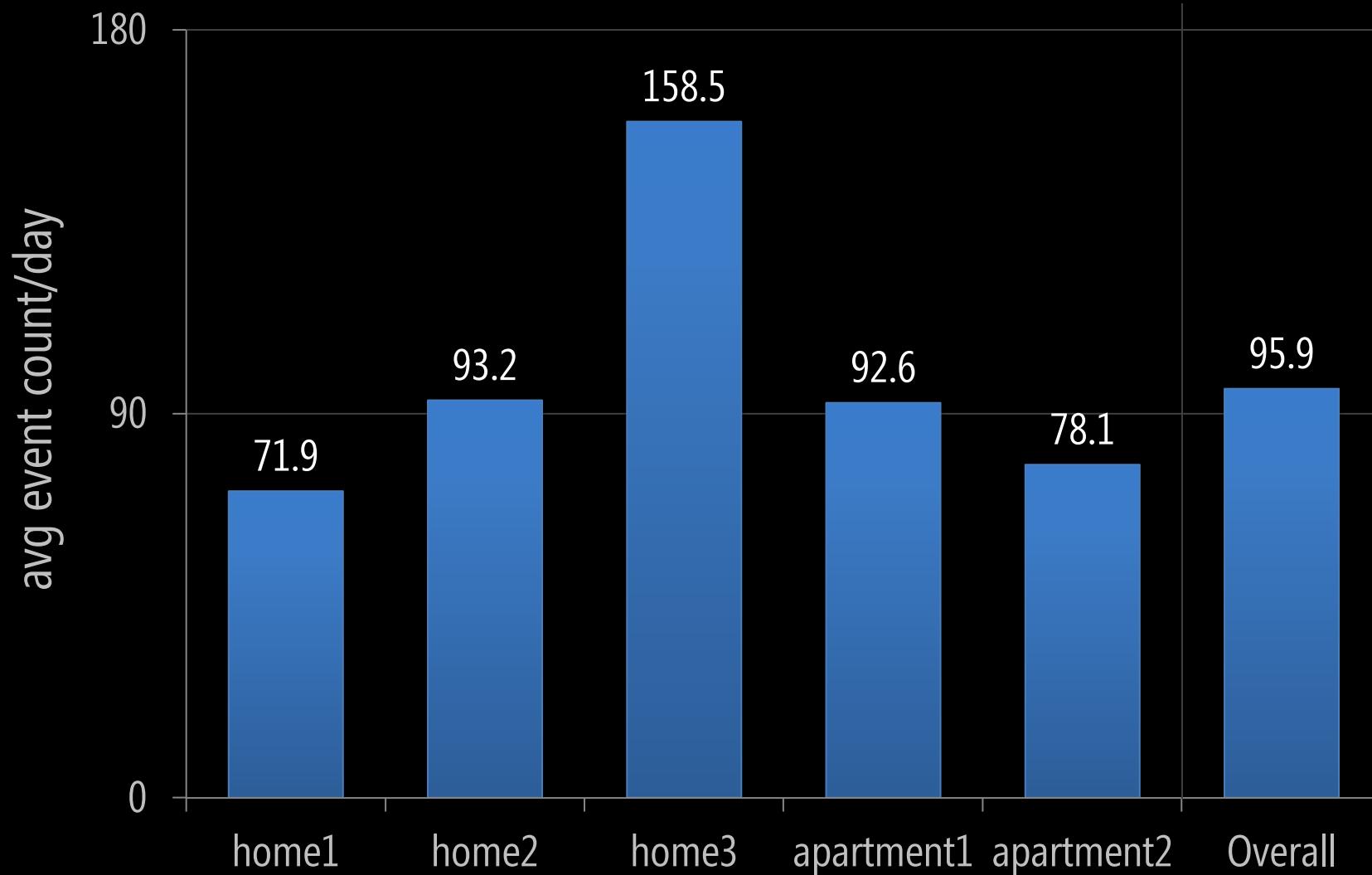




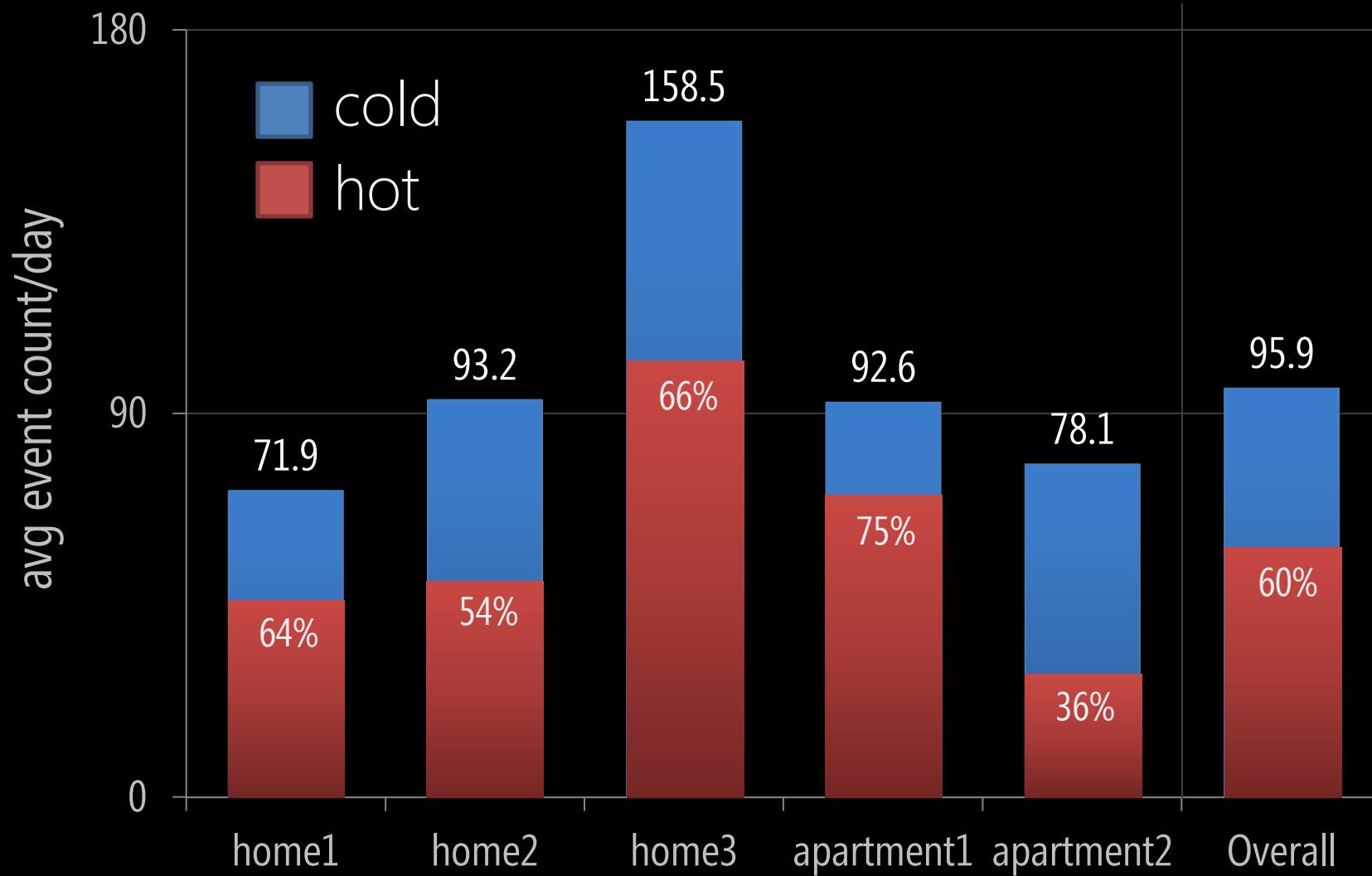
# 5-week dataset

						<b>totals</b>
<b>days</b>	33	33	30	27	33	156
<b>events</b>	2374	3075	4754	2499	2578	14,960
<b>events/day</b>	71.9	93.2	158.5	92.6	78.1	95.9

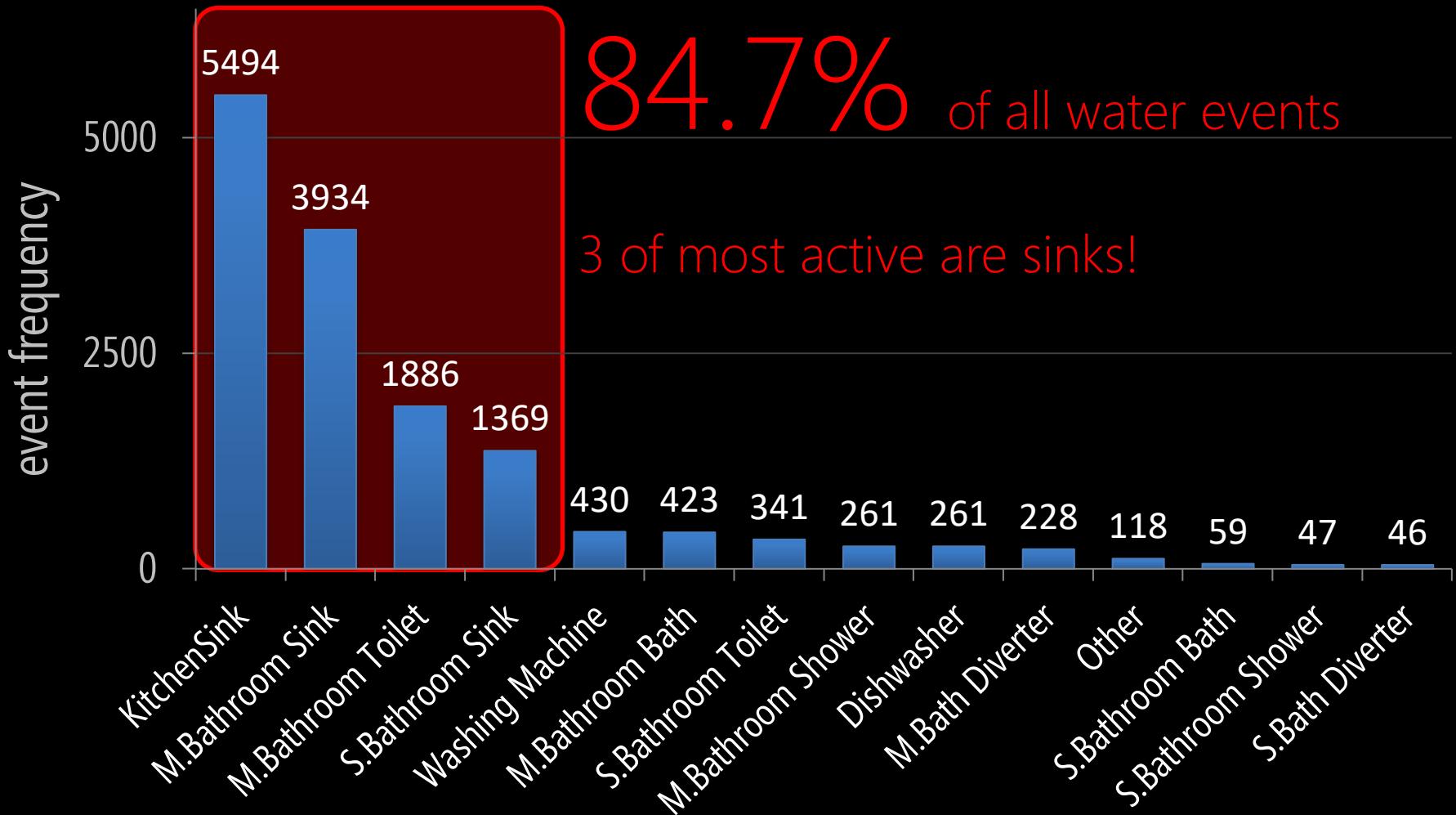
# avg num water events/day

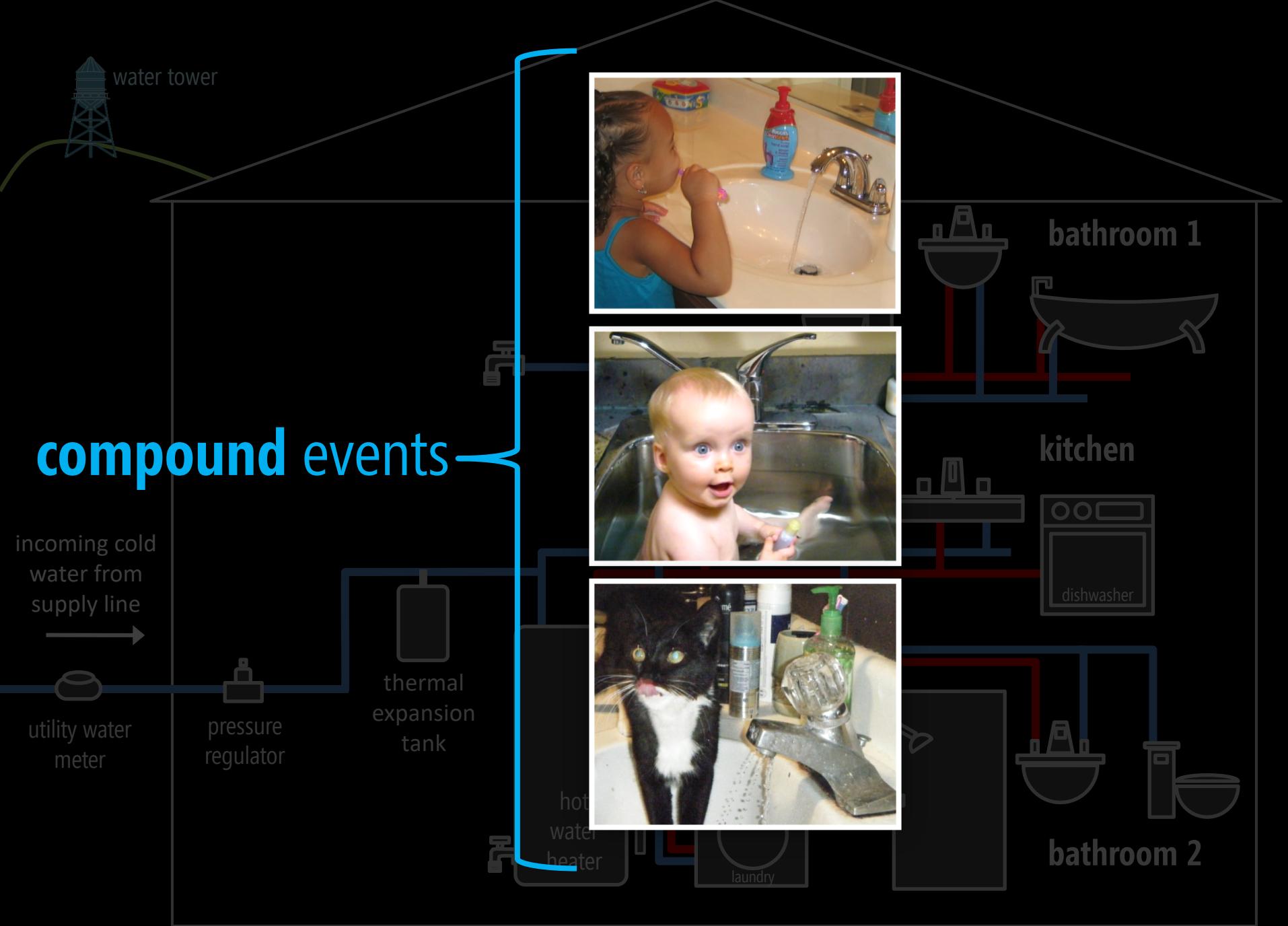


# avg num water events/day



# fixture activity frequency





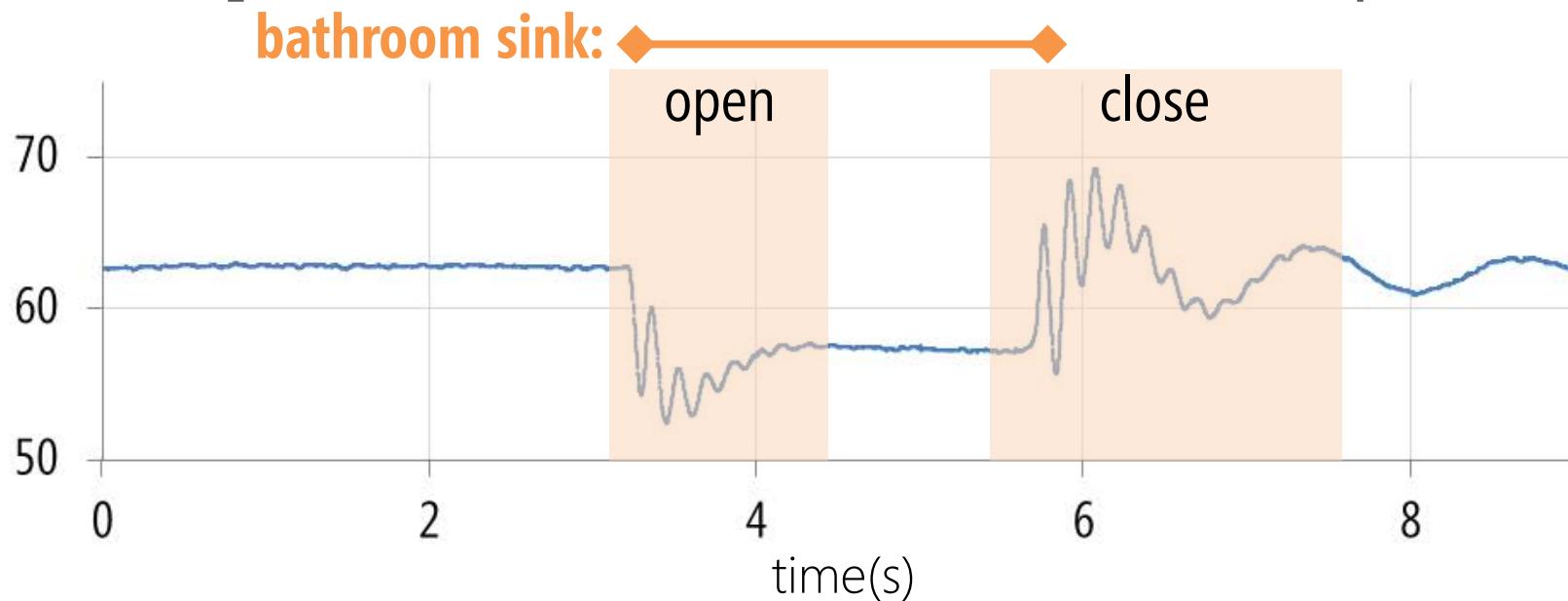
# 22%

of all water events were compound

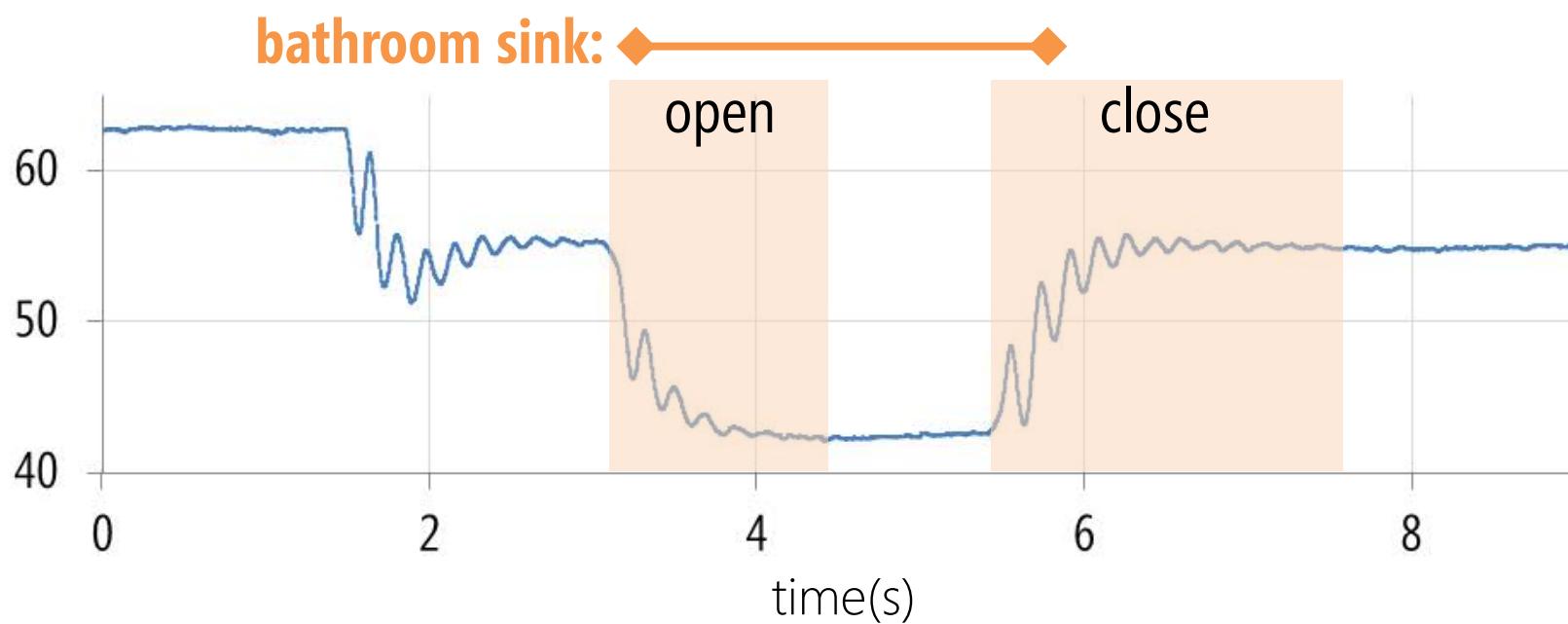
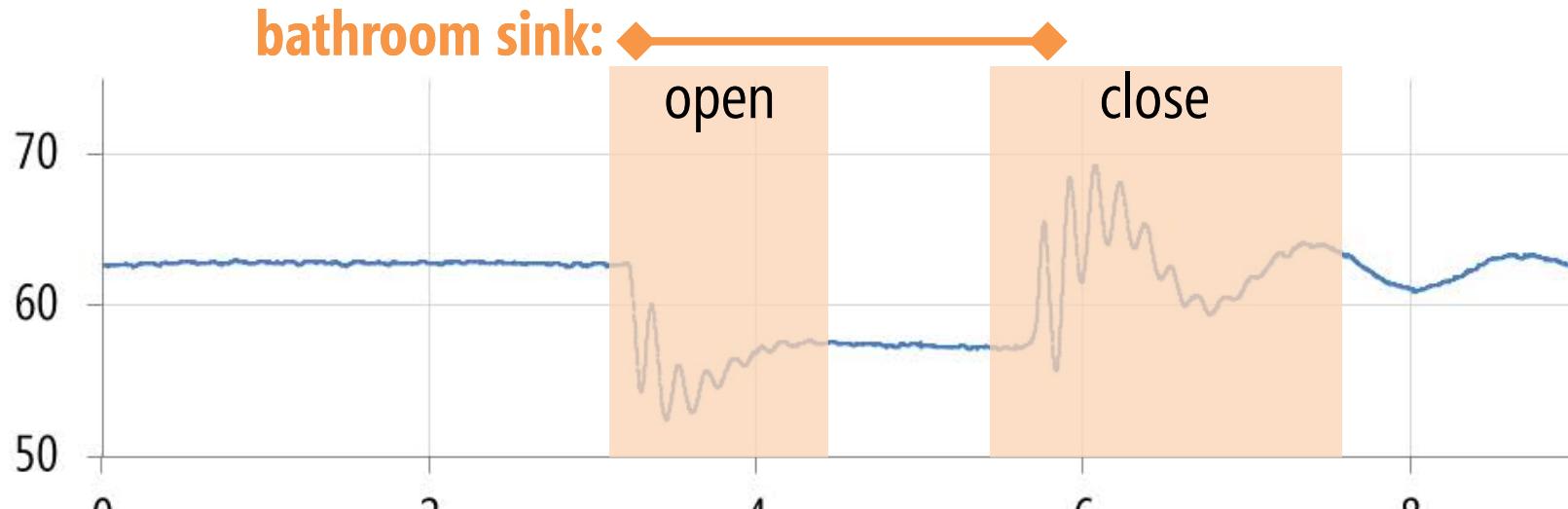
# 41.8%

of all bathroom sink events were compound

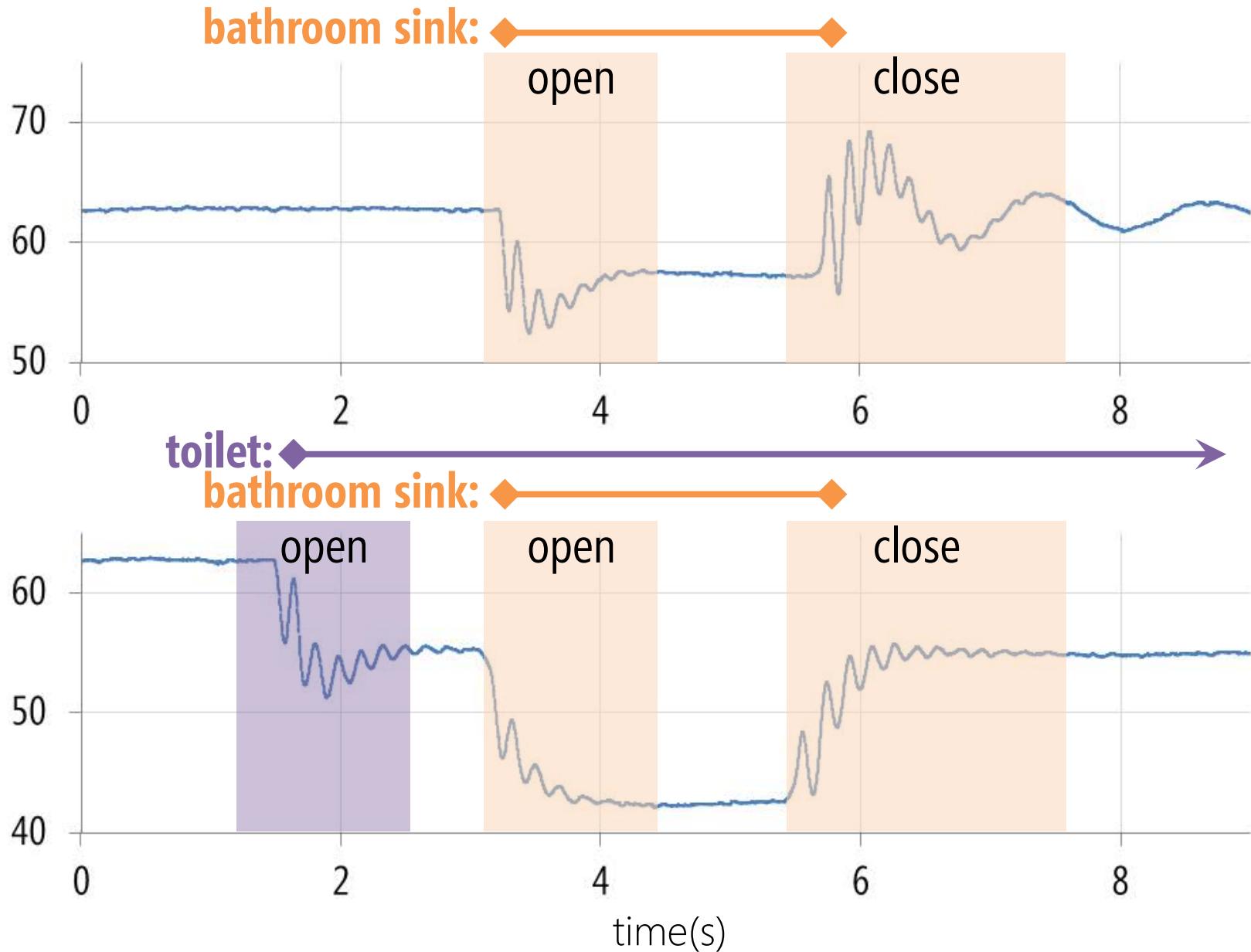
# compound event example



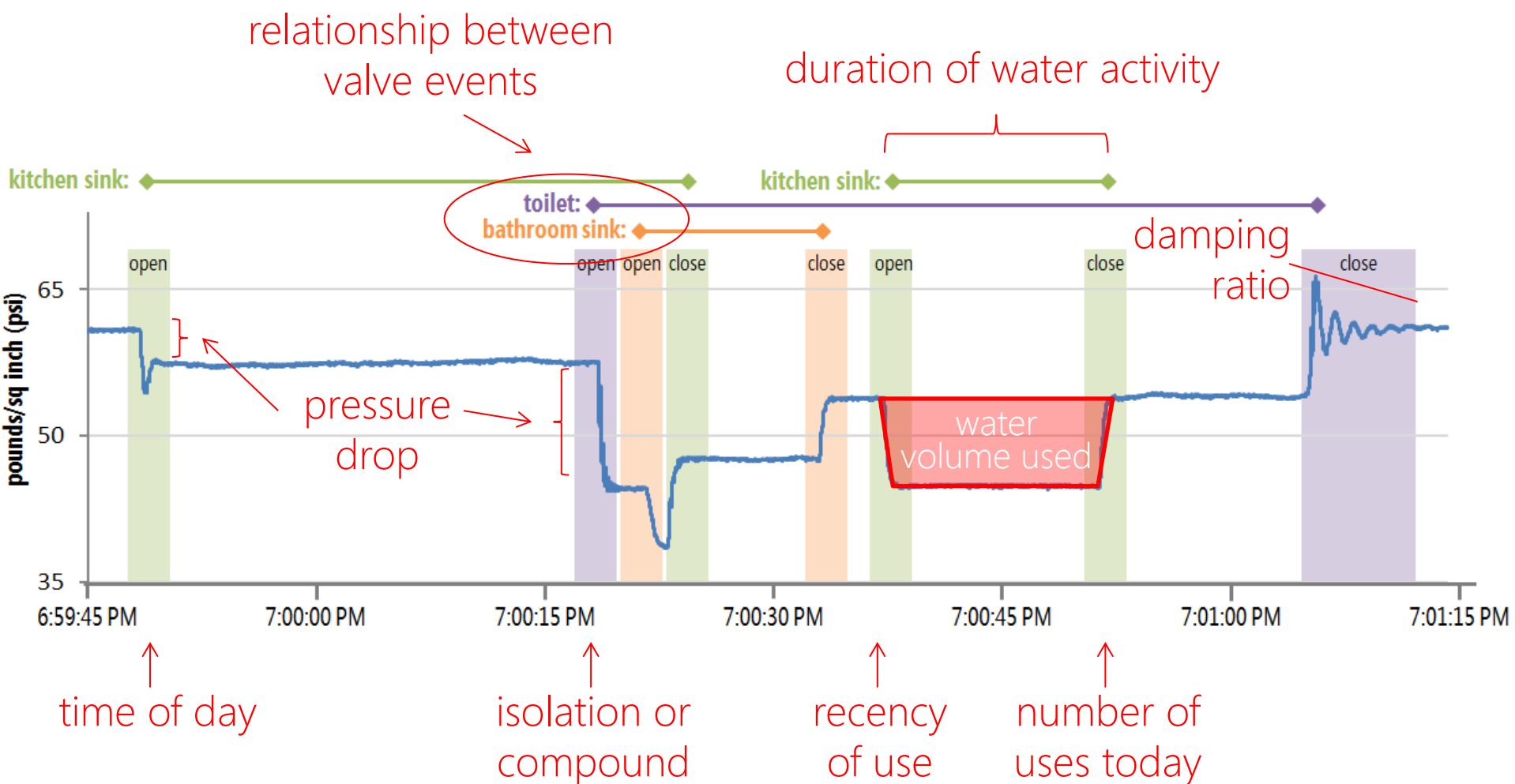
# compound event example



# compound event example



# beyond template matching



# bayesian approach

New algorithm borrows from Bayesian inference in speech recognition

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{signal} & & \text{behavior} \\ | & & | \\ P(\mathbf{S}|\mathbf{V}) & & P(\mathbf{V}) \\ \overbrace{\prod_{r=0}^{R-1} f_r(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_r \mid \hat{\mathbf{V}}_r)}^{\text{(i) templates and signal features}} & \overbrace{\prod_{n=0}^{N-1} P(v_n \mid v_{n-1})}^{\text{(ii) bigram language model}} & \overbrace{\prod_{i \notin \beta} f_p(v_i) \prod_{k=0}^{K-1} \prod_{\langle a,b \rangle \in \beta} f_k(\langle v_a, v_b \rangle)}^{\text{(iii) grammar (iv) paired value priors}} \end{array}$$

# bayesian approach

$\mathbf{V}$  = pressure signature library

$\mathbf{S}$  = sequence of unknown pressure transients

most likely valve sequence



$$\hat{\mathbf{V}} = \arg \max P(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{S}) = \arg \max \frac{P(\mathbf{S} | \mathbf{V})P(\mathbf{V})}{P(\mathbf{S})}$$

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conditional probability term

$$\underbrace{\prod_{r=0}^{R-1} f_r(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_r | \hat{\mathbf{V}}_r)}_{\text{(i) templates and signal features}} \overbrace{P(\mathbf{S} | \mathbf{V})}^{\leftarrow}$$

e.g., matched filtering and stabilized pressure drop

# bayesian approach

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prior probability term

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e.g., transition probability for toilet  
open->bathroom sink open

# bayesian approach

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e.g., opening of valve  $v_x$  must be followed by closing of  $v_x$

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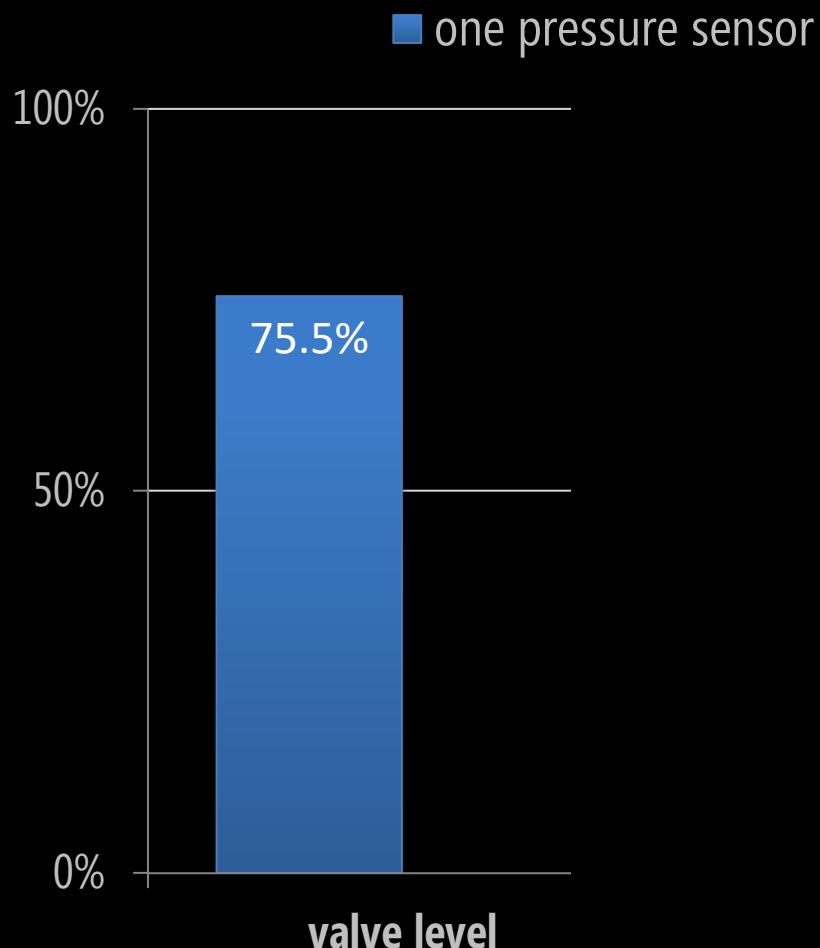
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e.g., water usage duration

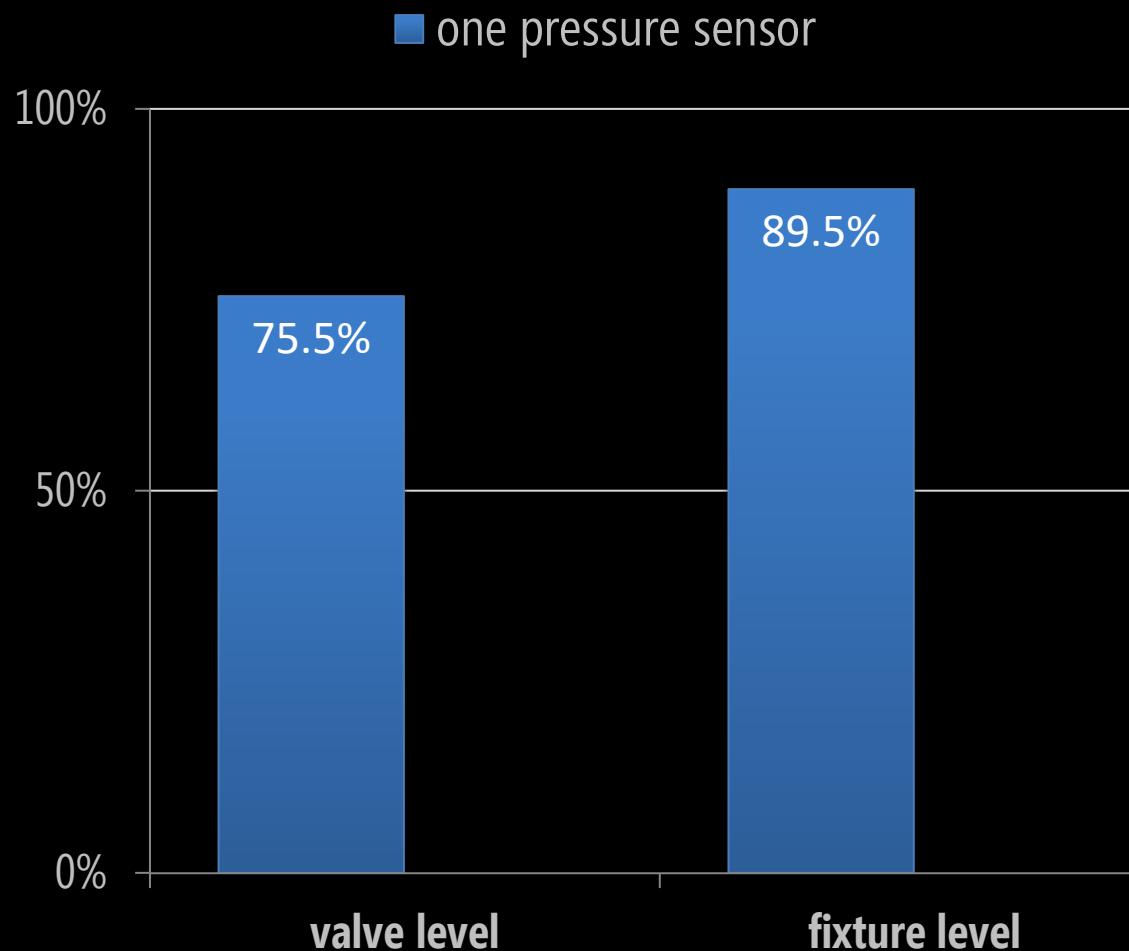
# hydrosense classification results

## real-world water usage data



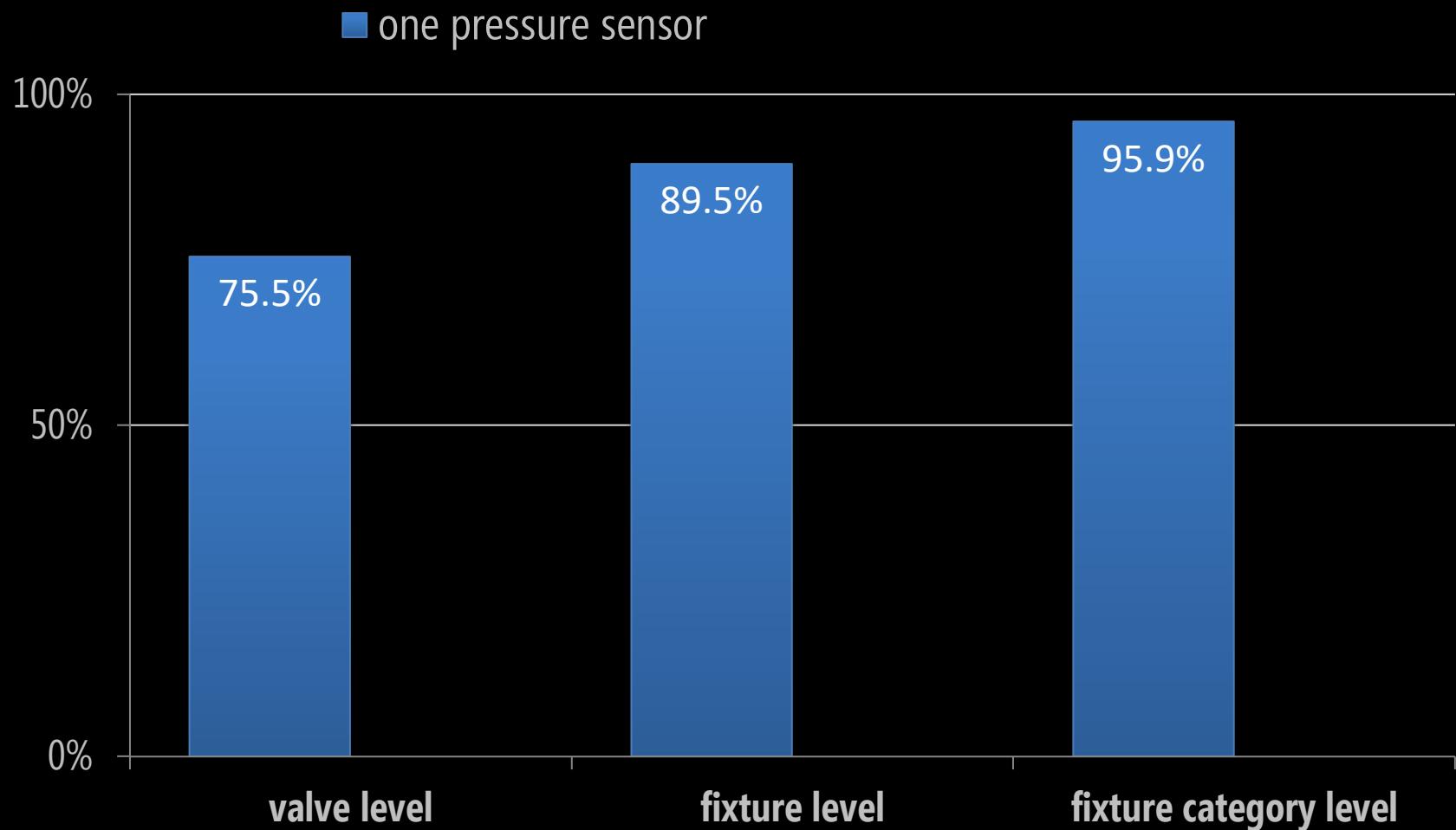
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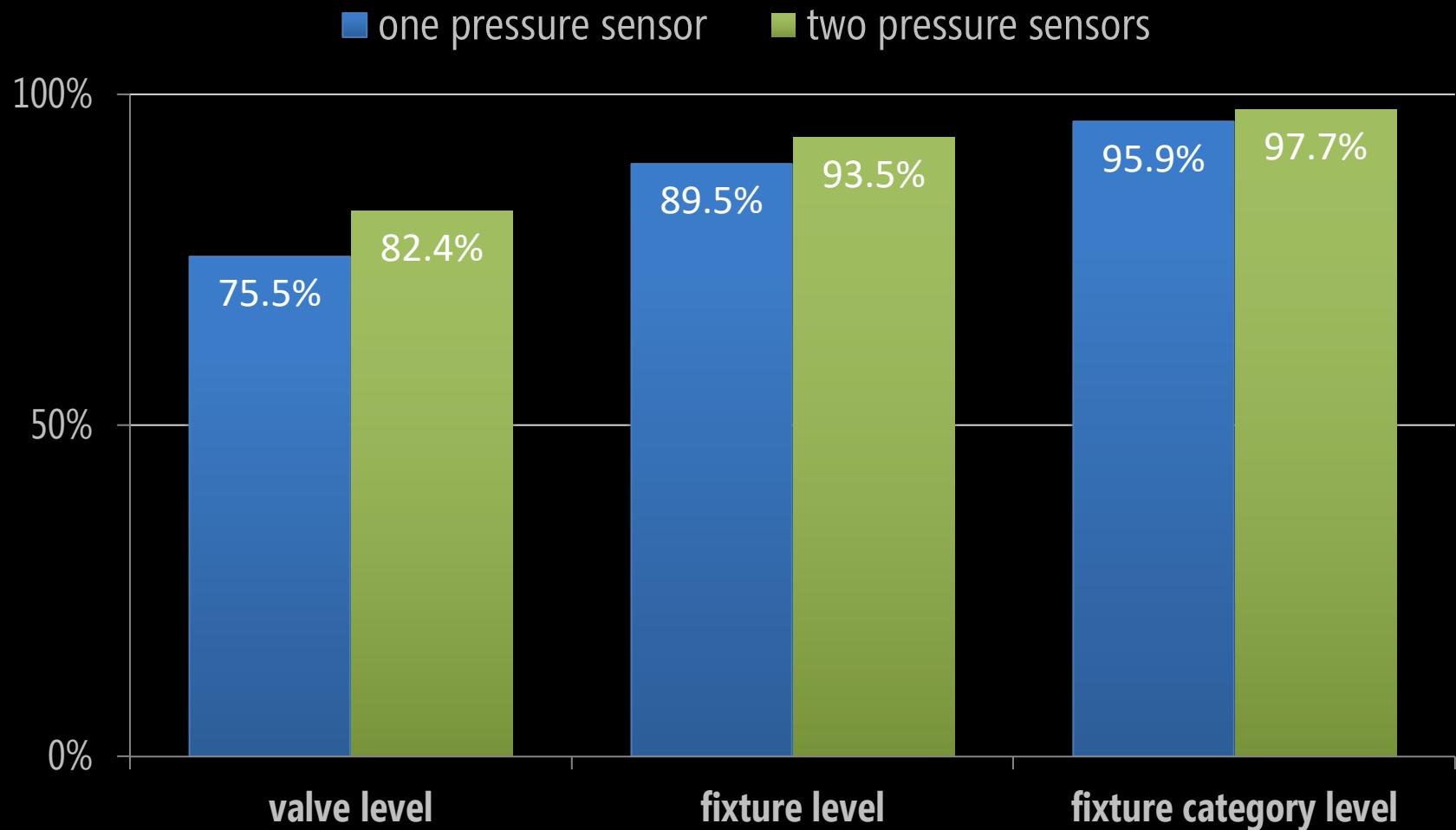
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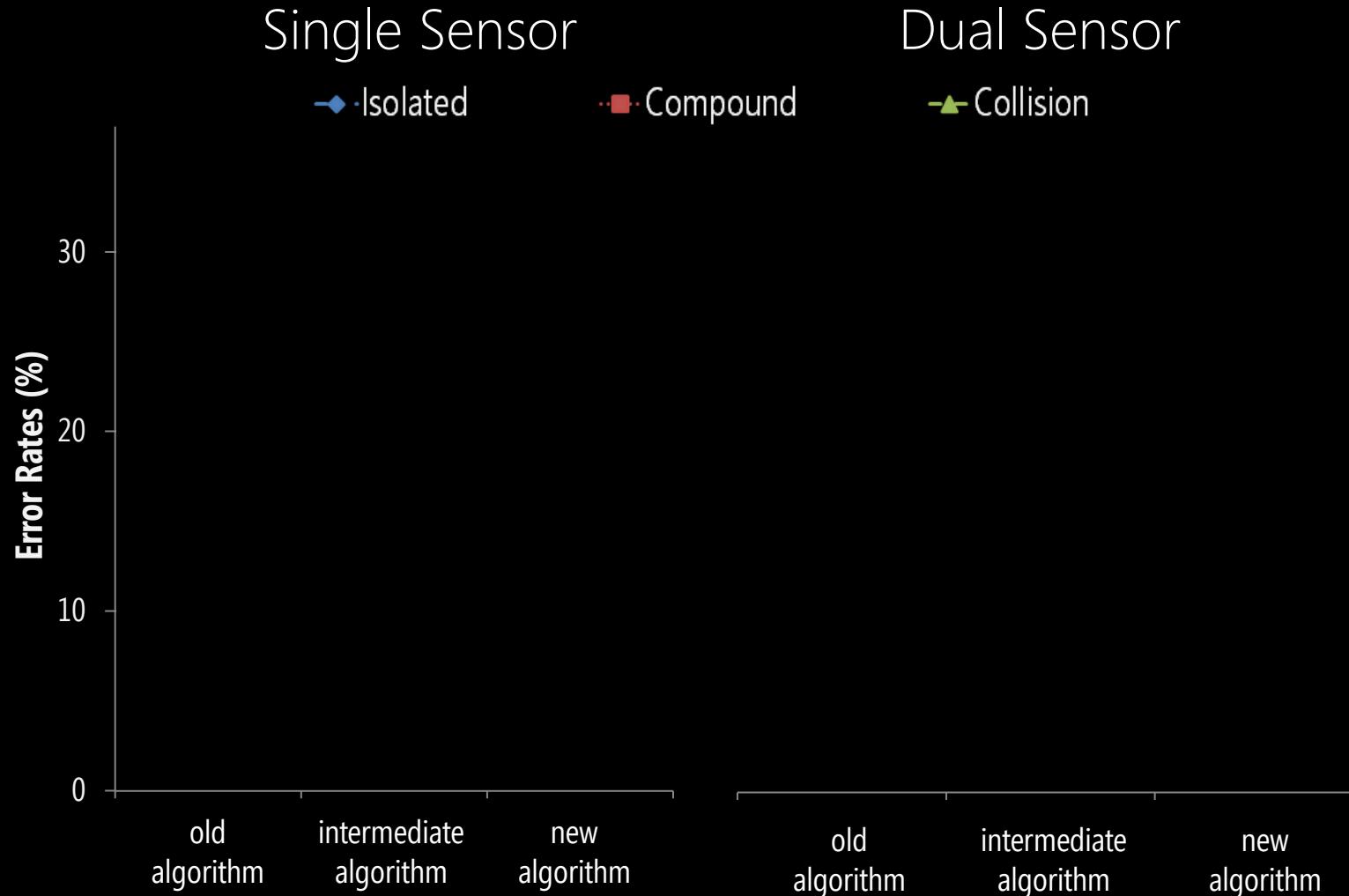
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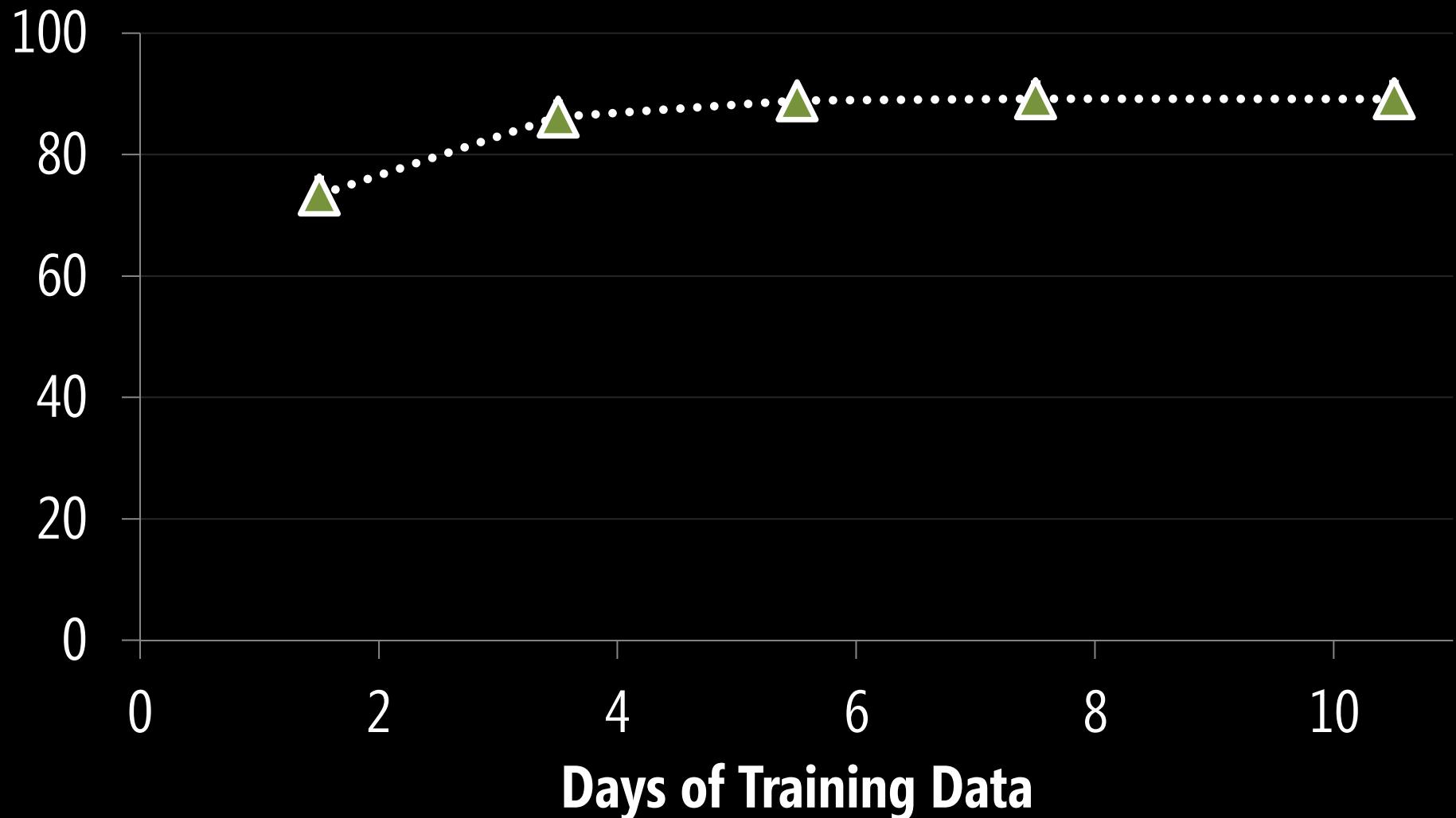
# compound events results

## real-world water usage data



# hydro**sense** training results

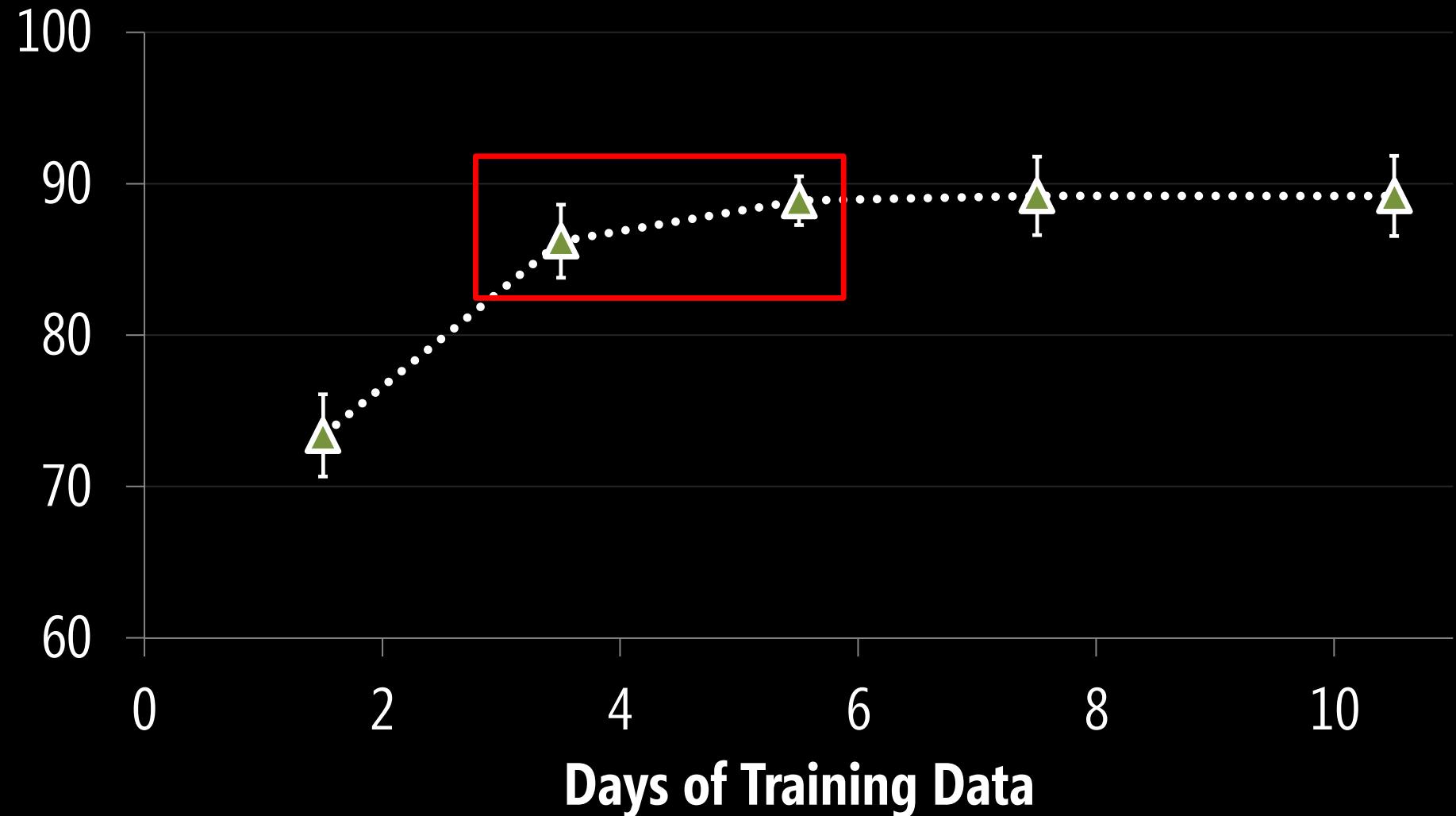
real-world water usage data



\*error bars = std error

# hydrosense training results

real-world water usage data



\*error bars = std error

# hydro study

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## contributions

demonstrated hydrosense can  
classify real-world water usage

collected one of the most  
comprehensive datasets of  
water usage in the world