Automatic leak detection

Final presentation

Motivation

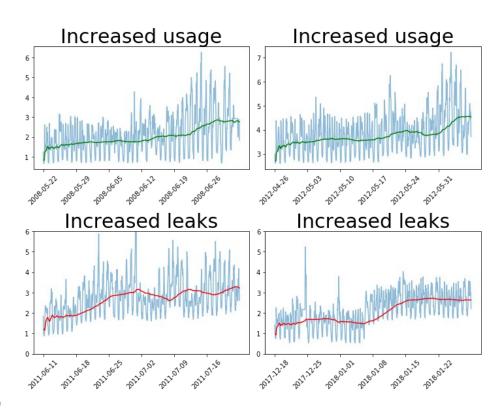
- Damages to property
- Lost in resources
- Estimated water loss from leakages
 - 8-24% in developed countries
 - 24-45% in developing countries

Goals

Detection & size estimation of leakages

Challenges/Problems

Increased flow ≠ increased leakages
Requires some form of *source-separation*



Solution

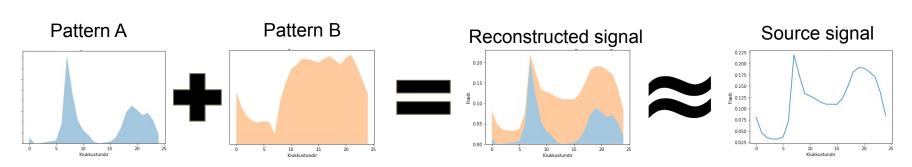
Semi-blind source separation (Decomposition with prior knowledge)

Model objective:

Estimate patterns for minimal reconstruction error

Prior knowledge

- One of the patterns is flat (Leakage pattern)
- All the patterns are non-negative
- All the patterns are daily or weekly



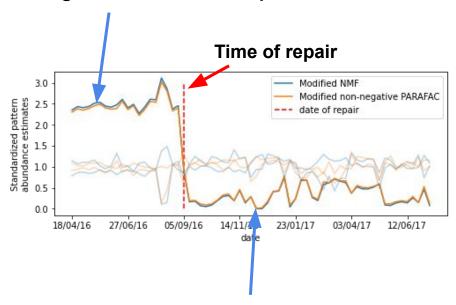
Results (1 of 2)

Here: One known repair

Both models estimated leakages well

- Leakage estimates decreasing in tandem with known leakage repairs
- Other pattern estimates unchanged

Leakage estimates before repair



Leakage estimates after repair

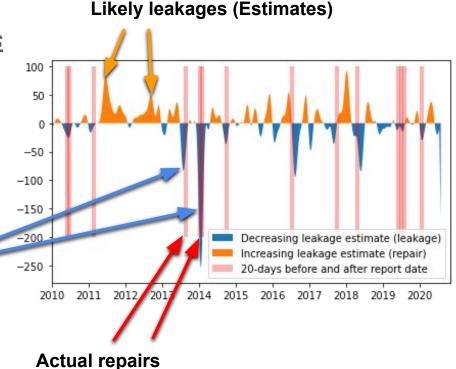
Results (2 of 2)

Change in leakage estimate over 10 years

Both models estimated leakages well

- Leakage estimates decreasing in tandem with known leakage repairs
- Other pattern estimates unchanged

Likely dates of repair (Estimates)



Conclusions

The fixed pattern is a good latent representation for leakages

Both methods successfully produced desired results using flat pattern constraint

Method worked in two neighbourhoods with very dissimilar patterns

- Residential
- Stable area