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CONTINUOUS WATER SUPPLY IN ARID & SEMI-ARID
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Climate Shocks

UK weather

Updated 25 Jul 2019

Heatwave: Paris suffers 42.6C hottest day ever as UK temperatures set to break record - as it happened

Belgium, Netherlands...
day ever.

Likelihood of Cape Town water crisis tripled by climate

Kenya studied the effect of climate change on the...
and found that it made

A climate in crisis

How climate change is making drought and humanitarian disaster worse in East Africa



1.2–2.2°C increase
in temperatures by
2050



Increase in severity of
dry spells and duration
of heat waves

Climate Change and California's Water

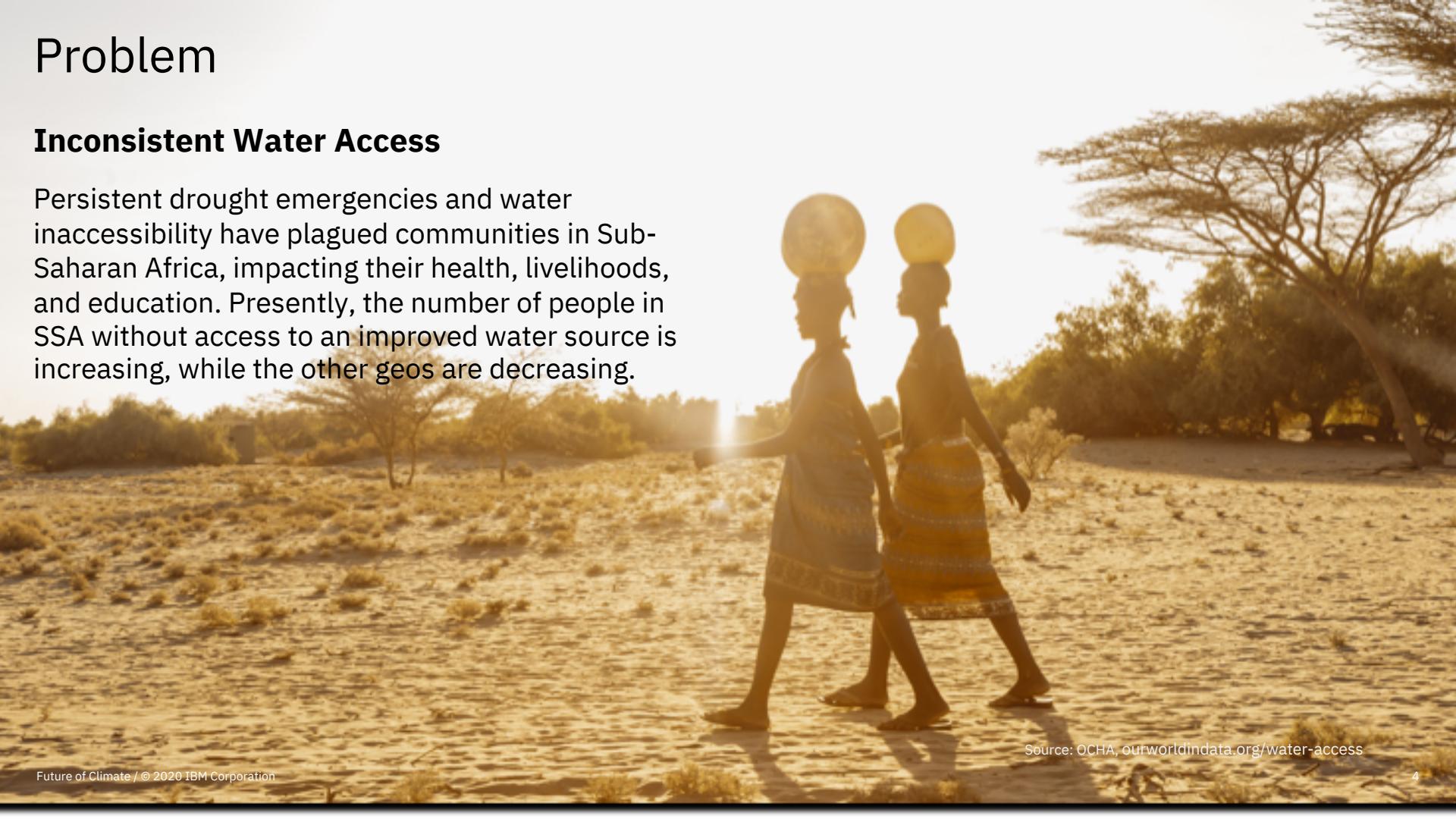
- ▶ Managing water is at the forefront of climate change adaptation in California.

Source: Oxfam – Briefing Ref: 01/2017, USAID – Climate Risk Profile Kenya 2018, Guardian, ABC News, World Weather Attribution – Likelihood of Cape Town water crisis tripled by climate change, PPIC – Climate change and California's water

Problem

Inconsistent Water Access

Persistent drought emergencies and water inaccessibility have plagued communities in Sub-Saharan Africa, impacting their health, livelihoods, and education. Presently, the number of people in SSA without access to an improved water source is increasing, while the other geos are decreasing.



Source: OCHA, ourworldindata.org/water-access

Case Study: Northern Kenya

Kenya RAPID (Kenya Resilient Arid Lands Partnership for Integrated Development)

ASAL Counties

1. **84%** of total land mass of Kenya
2. Home to:
 - **36%** of the human population,
 - **70%** of the livestock herd
 - **65%** of the wildlife
3. **Natural disasters** have become **more frequent**; with droughts or floods every 3-4 yrs.
4. 2 to 4 million people require food relief each year

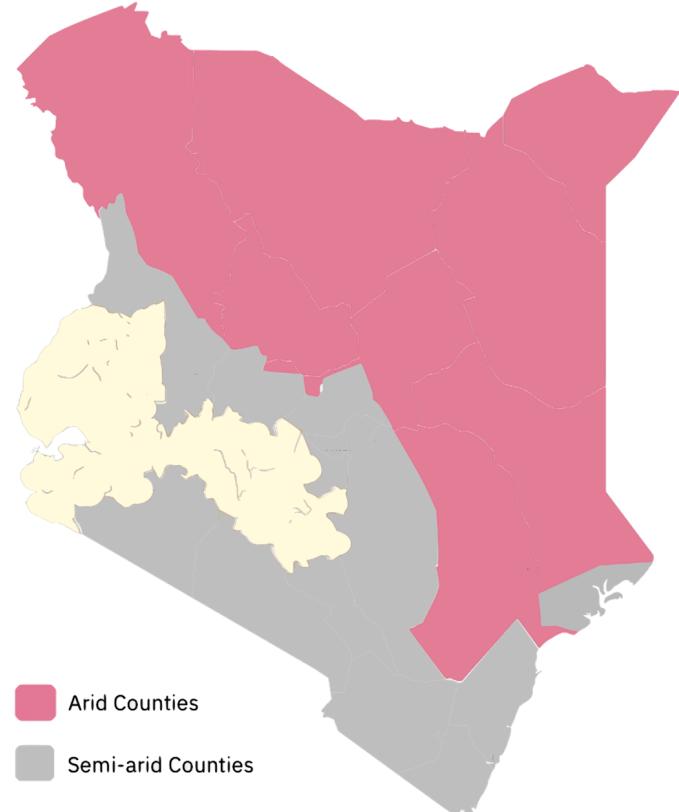
Kenya RAPID

Consortium of private and public partners including county governments, SweetSense among others and led by Millennium Water Alliance (MWA), our role is technology partner

Goal

Increase the average water access coverage in the five counties from 37% to more than 50%.

Focus counties: Turkana, Marsabit, Isiolo, Wajir & Garissa



Arid Counties

Semi-arid Counties

Source: IUCN-Kenya's Drylands, IDMP- Drought Conditions and Management Strategies in Kenya, MWA - Kenya RAPID Program Background, UNDP – Kenya National Disaster Profile

Key Intervention Points



Utilizing
groundwater



Monitoring and
management of water
supply system



Decision support for
water supply systems
management



Predict waterpoint
failure, detect recurrent
behaviours or unknown
trends; feed early
warning

Types of Waterpoints



Water Pan



Shallow Well



Sand Dam



Well



Spring



Motorized Borehole



Water Tank



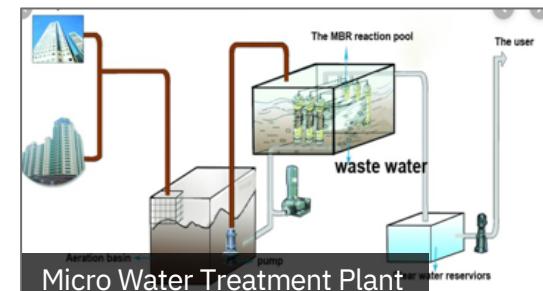
River



Water Truck

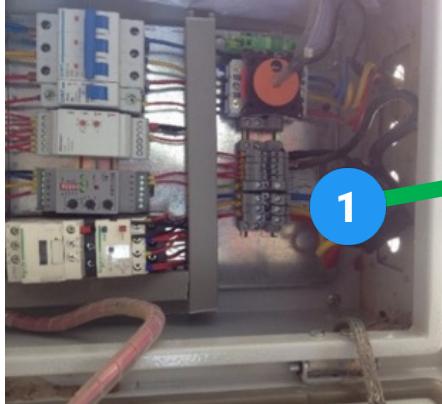


Handpump Borehole

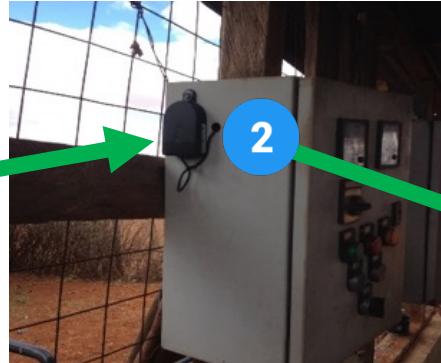


Micro Water Treatment Plant

Instrumented Waterpoints



Sends data to the transmitter

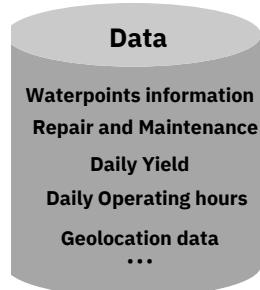


Transmitter

Current transformer clamp
installed on the pump



Solar powered sensor



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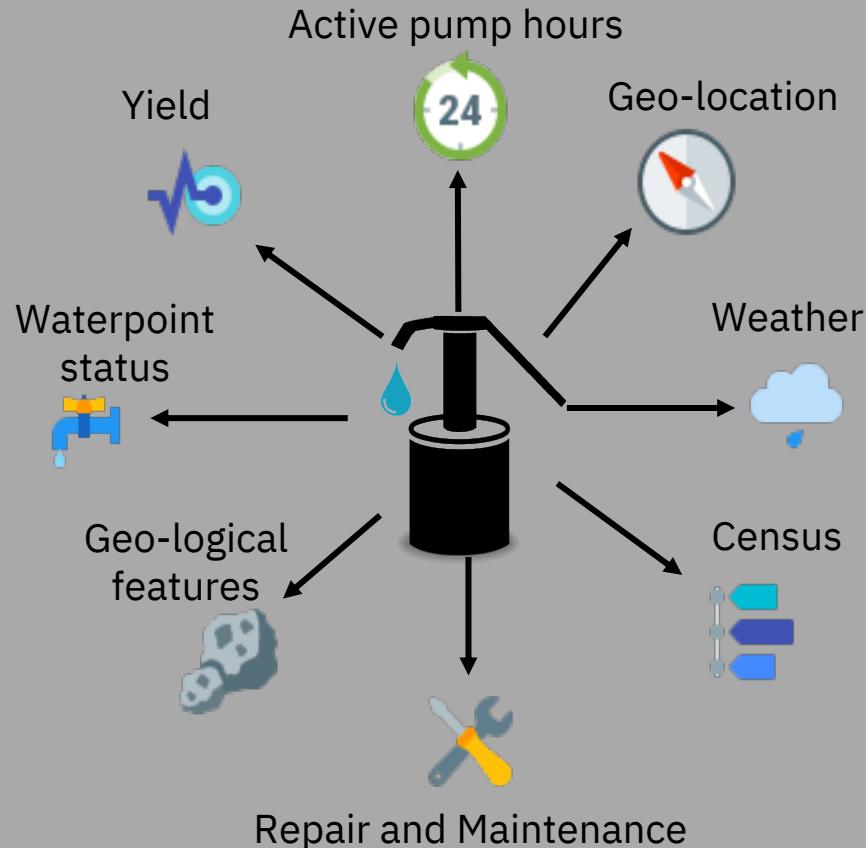
Satellite and/or cell
tower



Data Collection

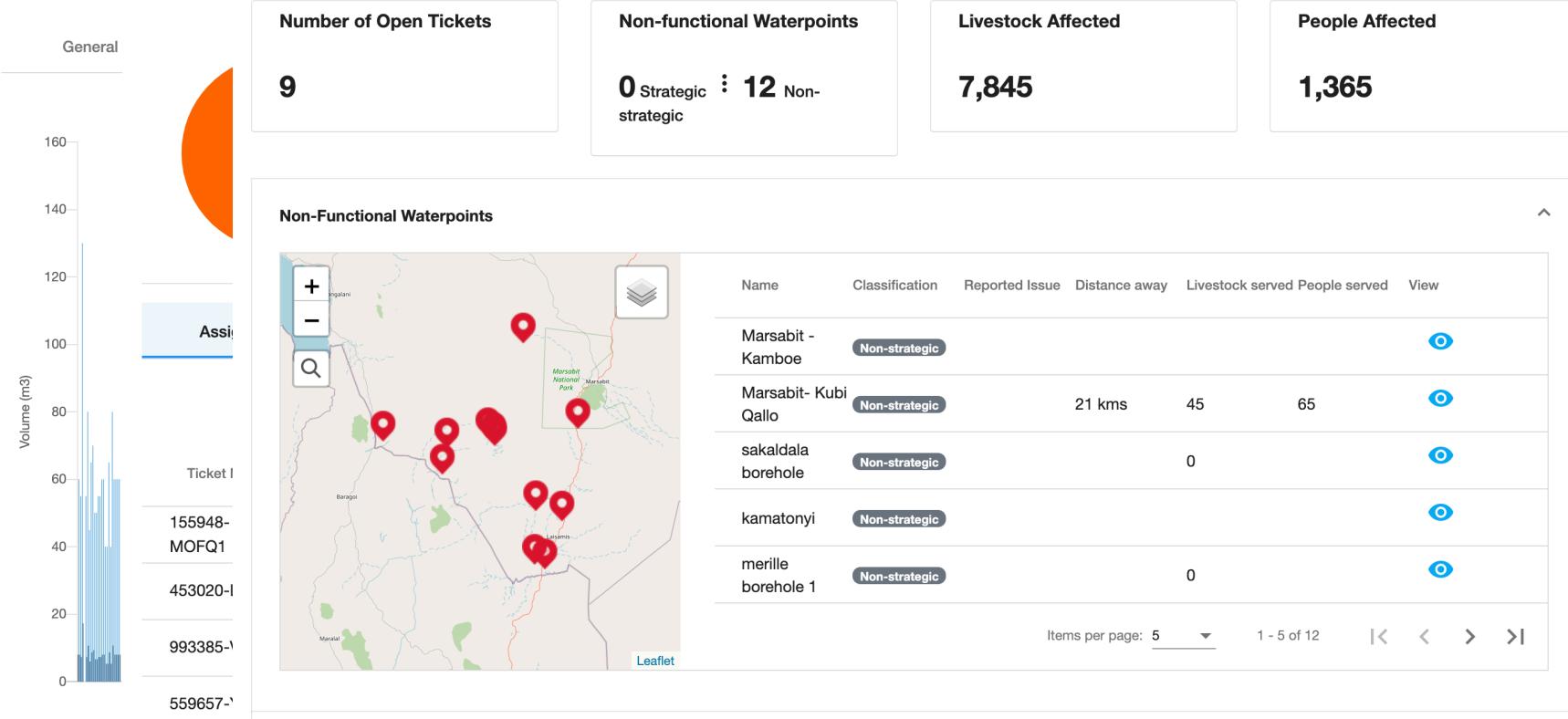
- 5 Counties in Northern Kenya
- 122 instrumented waterpoints
 - Up from 59 on Jan 2018
- 400 inventoried waterpoints

Water Point Data



eMaji Manager

Marsabit Sub-county Water Officer



Pattern Mining and Failure Prediction For Waterpoints

Goal

To predict events such as waterpoint failure and high yield using waterpoint data and repair logs to trigger targeted interventions that facilitate continuous access to water

Related Works

- i. Early failure detection for predictive maintenance of sensor parts(Kuzin 2016)
- ii. Predictive model of failure based on event sequences observed at wire bonding process(Lim 2017)
- iii. LSTM to find sessions that are prone to code failure in apps that rely on telemetry data for system health monitoring (Hajiaghayi 2019)

Our Proposed Methodology

- i. Subsequence discriminatory models to mine for recurrent behaviors or unknown trends
- ii. Waterpoint failure prediction using LSTM

Tomás Kuzin and Tomás Borovicka. Early failure detection for predictive maintenance of sensor parts. In ITAT, pp. 123–130, 2016.
Hwa Kyung Lim, Yongdai Kim, and Min-Kyoon Kim. Failure prediction using sequential pattern mining in the wire bonding process. IEEE Transactions on Semiconductor Manufacturing, 30(3): 285–292, 2017

Hajiaghayi, M. and Vahedi, E., 2019, April. Code Failure Prediction and Pattern Extraction using LSTM Networks. In 2019 IEEE Fifth International Conference on Big Data Computing Service and Applications (BigDataService) (pp. 55–62). IEEE.

Discriminatory Subsequence Mining(Waterpoint Pattern Discovery)

1

Extended PrefixSpan to mine for patterns that are different between the two classes of interest.

There are two parameters that need to be set, σ_{min} and max_len .

2

We report each pattern found is tagged with various metrics.

- Coverage left and right, the coverage $\sigma_T = \frac{1}{n} |K_T(I)|$ of a pattern T, for left and right datasets.
- Lift(T, left, right), this is the ratio of $\frac{\sigma_T^{left}}{\sigma_T^{right}}$ defining how much more often does a pattern occur in the left dataset compared to the right.

Algorithm 1: A pseudo-code for the proposed discriminatory sequence mining.

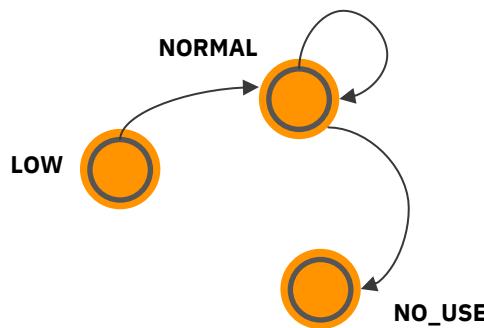
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input : Collections  $S_n = [S_1, S_2]$ ,  $\sigma_{min}$ ,  $max\_len$ ,  $I$ 
output:  $S_{out}$ , where ( $|S_{out}| << |S_1|, |S_2|$ ) such that  $\forall s \in S$ ,  
       $d_s > threshold$ 
1 for  $c \rightarrow 1$  to  $|S_n|$  do
2   |  $freq_{S_c} = \Phi_{S_c}(\sigma_{min})$ ;
3   |  $\sigma_c = \frac{1}{n} |K_{freq_{S_c}}(I)|$ ;
4 end
5 for  $c \rightarrow 1$  to  $|freq_n|$  do
6   | if  $S_1.isPrefix(S_2)$  and  $Lift(freq_{S_c}, S_1, S_2) >$ 
     |    $Lift(freq_{S_c}, S_2, S_1)$  then
7   |   |  $S_{out} = \text{pruneByDominance}(freq_{S_c}, S_1)$ ;
8 end
9 if  $\frac{match(S_1, S_2)}{match(S_1)} > threshold$  then
10  |  $S_{out} = \text{pruneByShadows}(S_1)$ ;
11 end
12 end
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Han, J., Pei, J., Mortazavi-Asl, B., Pinto, H., Chen, Q., Dayal, U. and Hsu, M., 2001, April. Prefixspan: Mining sequential patterns efficiently by prefix-projected pattern growth. In proceedings of the 17th international conference on data engineering (pp. 215-224). IEEE Washington, DC, USA.

Discriminatory Subsequence Mining (Cont.)

What the domain expert can do with this information?

Given the following sequence:



One month of low use followed by three months of normal use and a final month of no use

This insight would be valuable for developing an automated repair regime

With

$\text{coverage}_{\text{left}} = 0.4321$; 43% of sensors with this sequence end in failure

$\text{coverage}_{\text{right}} = 0.0532$; low frequency on the rest of the population; hence the pattern is discriminatory regarding failure class in sensors

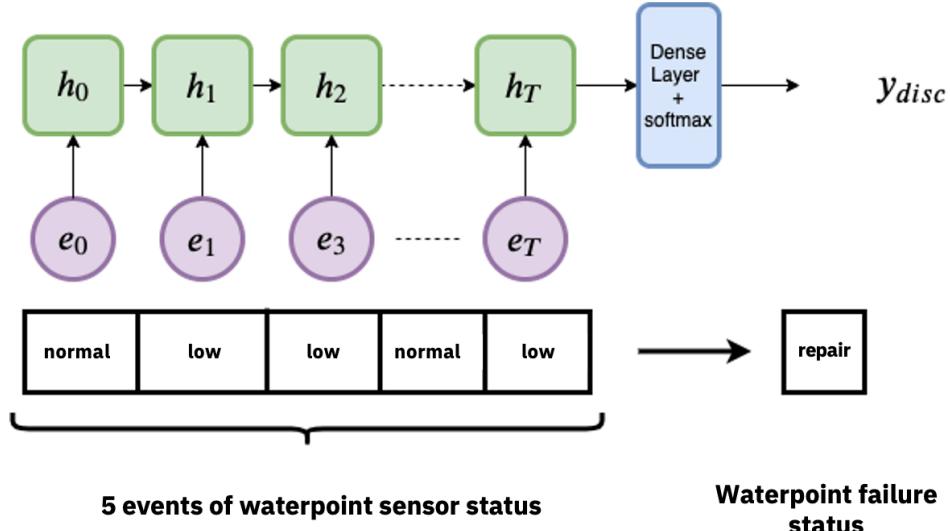
lift = 4.095; pattern is 4 times more likely to appear on sensors with failure events *vis-à-vis* functional ones

Failure Prediction with LSTM Networks

- 1 Map the input sequence of events to a fixed-sized vector representation using an RNN.

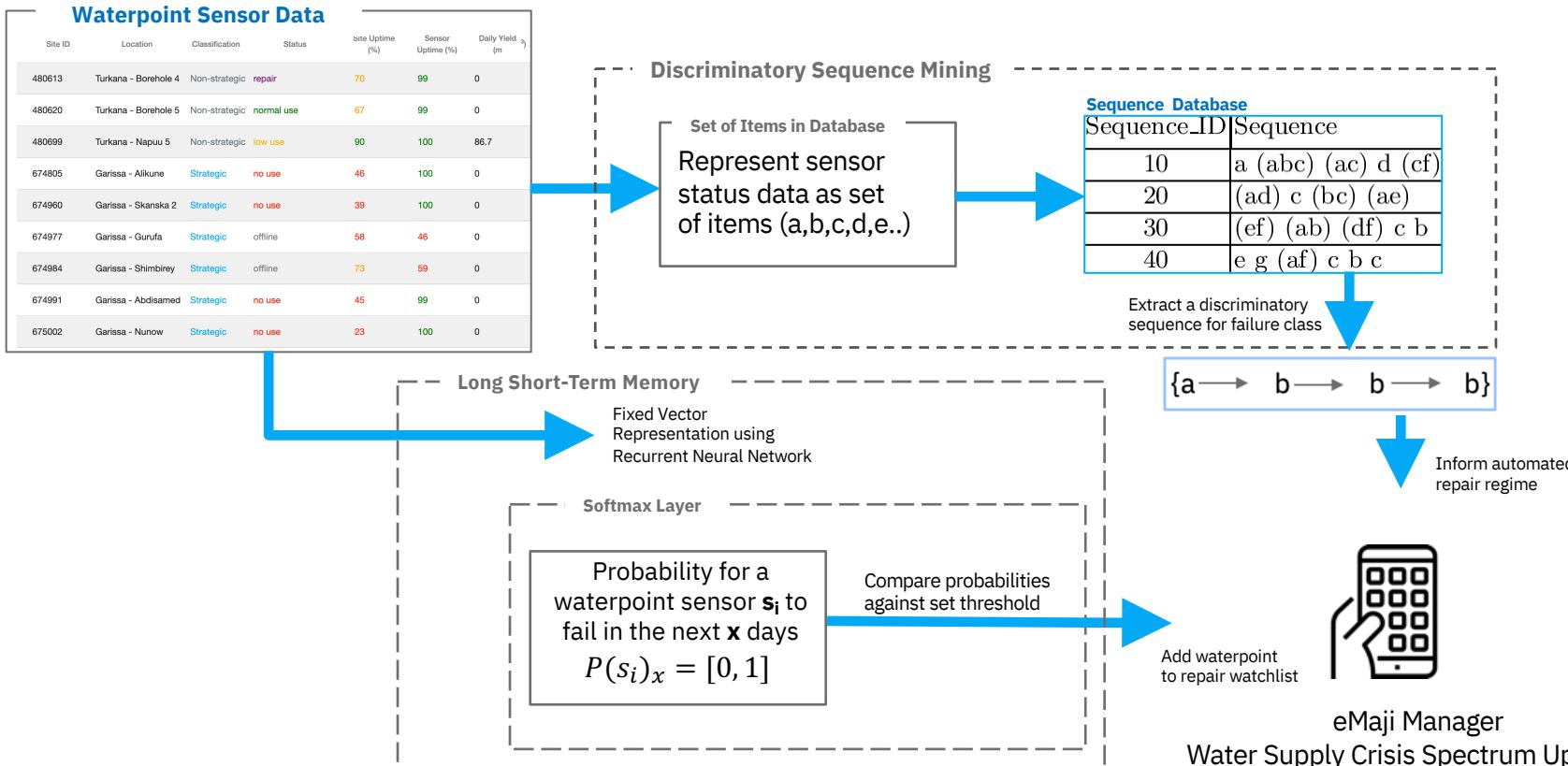
- 2 Feed h_T vector to a softmax layer for classification on the type of failure status.

- 3 The softmax non-linear layer predicts the probability of a particular type of failure for that time window of events.



Hochreiter, S. and Schmidhuber, J., 1997. Long short-term memory. *Neural computation*, 9(8), pp.1735-1780.
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Proposed Water Supply Crisis Spectrum



Recap

- Climate change impacting livelihoods in Northern Kenya due to increased uncertainty of drought seasons.
- Necessary adaptation to meet acute water shortages
- eMaji Manager an integrated waterpoint inventory, issues tracking, and decision support system for county officials.
- Propose to enhance the quality of data in eMaji Manager by exploiting the waterpoint and sensor data to extract temporal patterns and predict non-functionality to shorten repair response time and provide an emergency alert system.

Next Steps

- Evaluate proposed methodology
- Use alternative data to handle issue of differentiating waterpoint failure between sensor failure and borehole failure



Thank you

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eMaji Manager x +

wmaasp.mybluemix.net/dashboard

Apps what's happening ? old school design kumbe miba maabara todo tepe soma izit

Subcounty Water Officer Logout

Overview (248 water points)

Select water point type All types Select county Marsabit

Water Point Types

A pie chart titled "Water Point Types" showing the distribution of 248 water points. The largest segment is Motorized Borehole (green), followed by Shallow well (yellow), Catchment: Pan (blue), and Tank (purple). Smaller segments include Catchment: Sand Dam, Spring, Catchment: Rock, and Hand Pump Borehole.

| Type | Count |
|---------------------|-------|
| Motorized Borehole | ~180 |
| Catchment: Pan | ~30 |
| Tank | ~10 |
| Catchment: Sand Dam | ~5 |
| Shallow well | ~20 |
| Spring | ~5 |
| Catchment: Rock | ~5 |
| Hand Pump Borehole | ~5 |

Operational Status

A pie chart titled "Operational Status" showing the distribution of 248 water points. The largest segment is Functional (green), followed by Non-Functional (red), Unknown (dark blue), and Functional-Saline (yellow).

| Status | Count |
|-------------------|-------|
| Functional | ~220 |
| Functional-Saline | ~10 |
| Non-Functional | ~15 |
| Unknown | ~3 |

Map

Functional, Functional-Saline, Non-Functional, Unknown

A map of Eastern Equatoria, Kenya, showing the locations of water points. The map includes various national parks and reserves such as Bardingi National Park, Chale Wilber Reserve, and Gericke National Park. Water points are marked with colored circles: green for Functional (7, 2, 6, 77), yellow for Functional-Saline (63, 1), and black for Non-Functional (1). A legend indicates the status of each point. A zoom control (+/-) and a search icon are also present on the map interface.

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