

# A Sensor Network for Real-Time Damage Location and Assessment



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# **Next Generation SCADA\* for Prevention and Mitigation of Water System Infrastructure Disaster**

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Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD)  
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**\* Technology Innovation Program**

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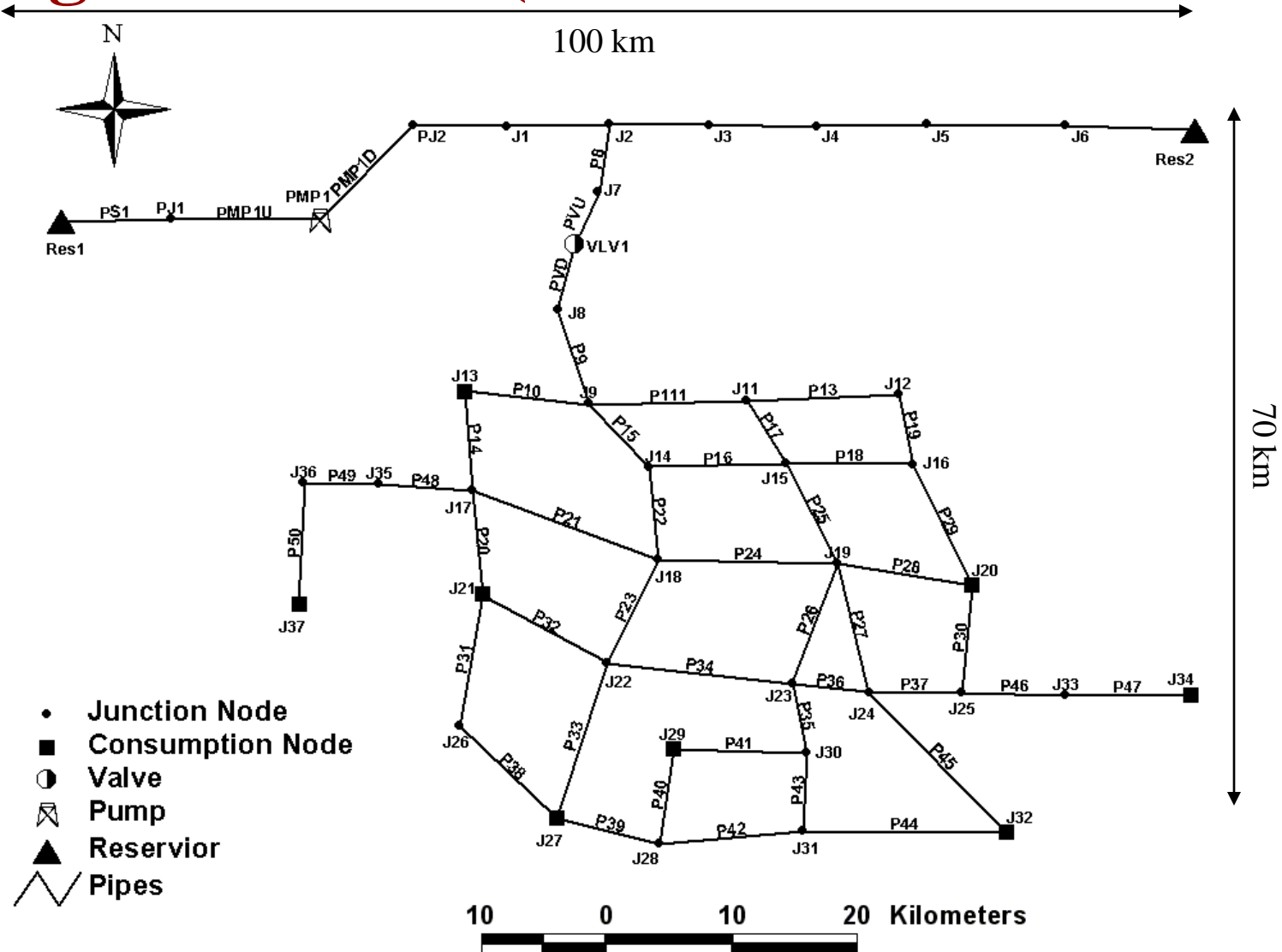
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- **Conventional SCADA System (Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition system)** senses and controls operational perturbations in pressure, flow rate, temperature, etc. But sensors are installed at key components such as pump stations, but usually not in pipe networks.

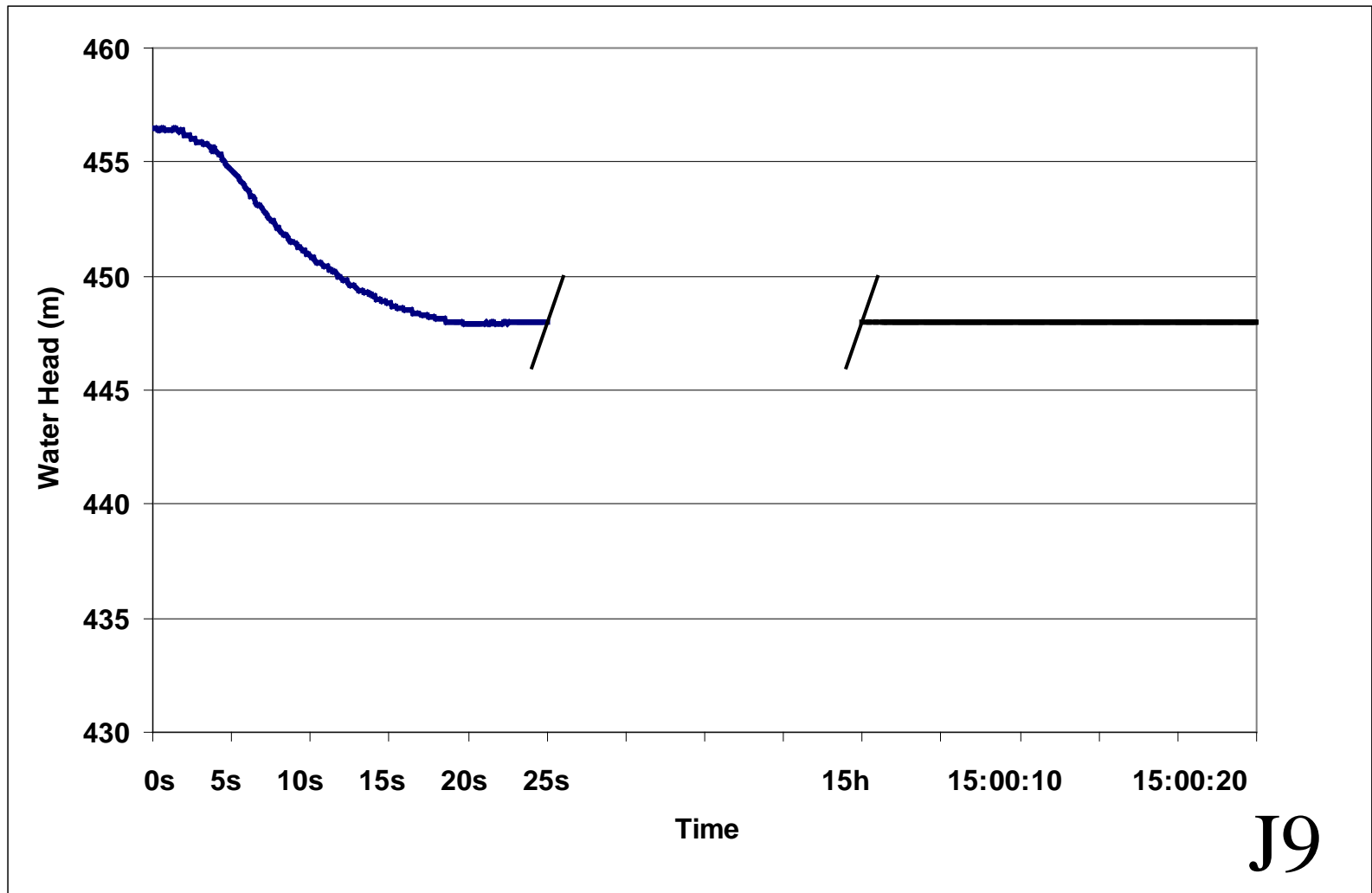
- **Nexed generation SCADA system will have sensors in pipe network to identify pipe damage in real time.**

- **Challenge:** must cover a vast area, transmit sensor data long distance to a control center, need a large number of robust sensors, and power supply for sensing and data transmission.

# Damage Detection (transient flow: Hammer)

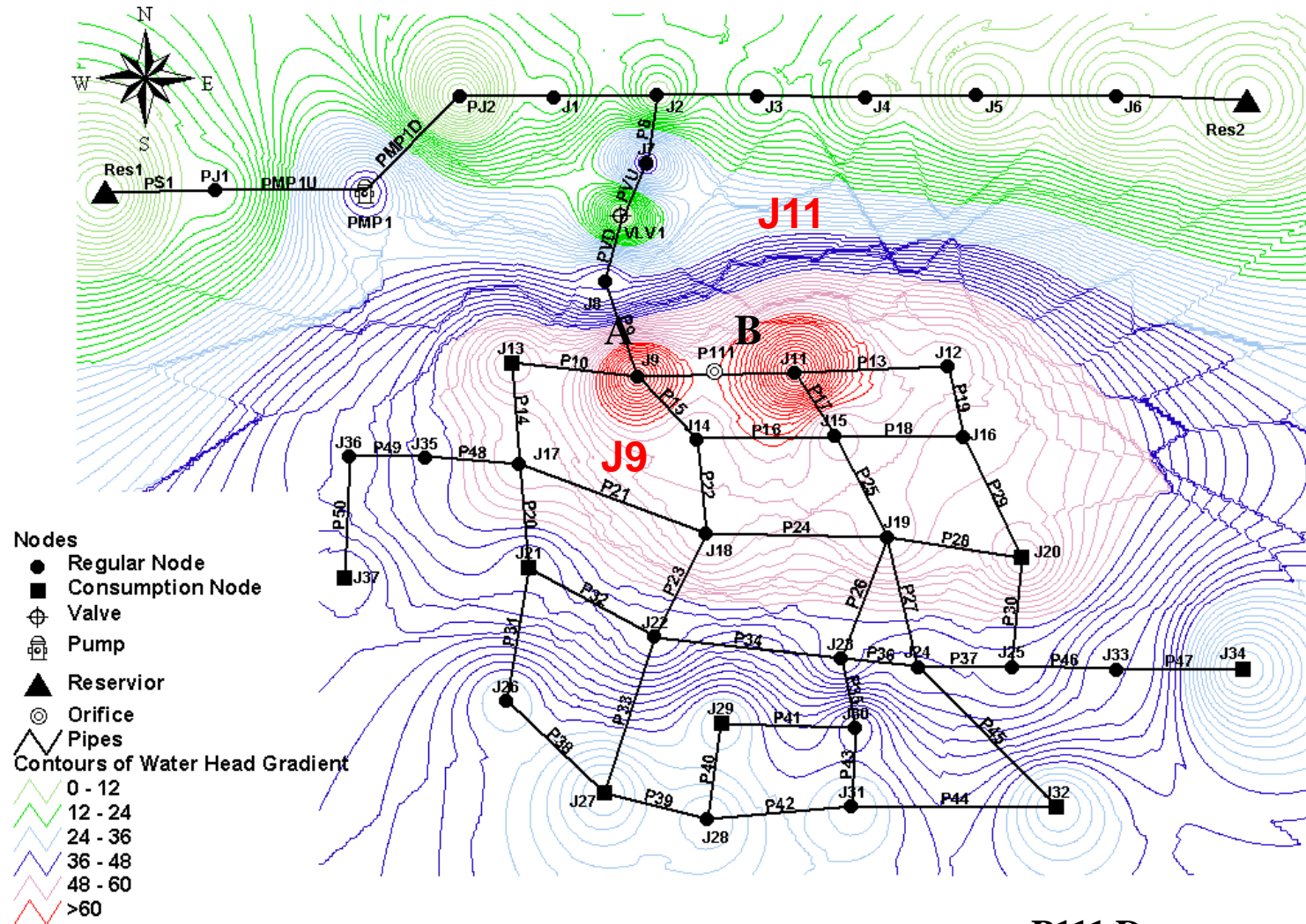


# Pipe Breaks at P111 and Not Fixed



# Contour of Water Head Gradient

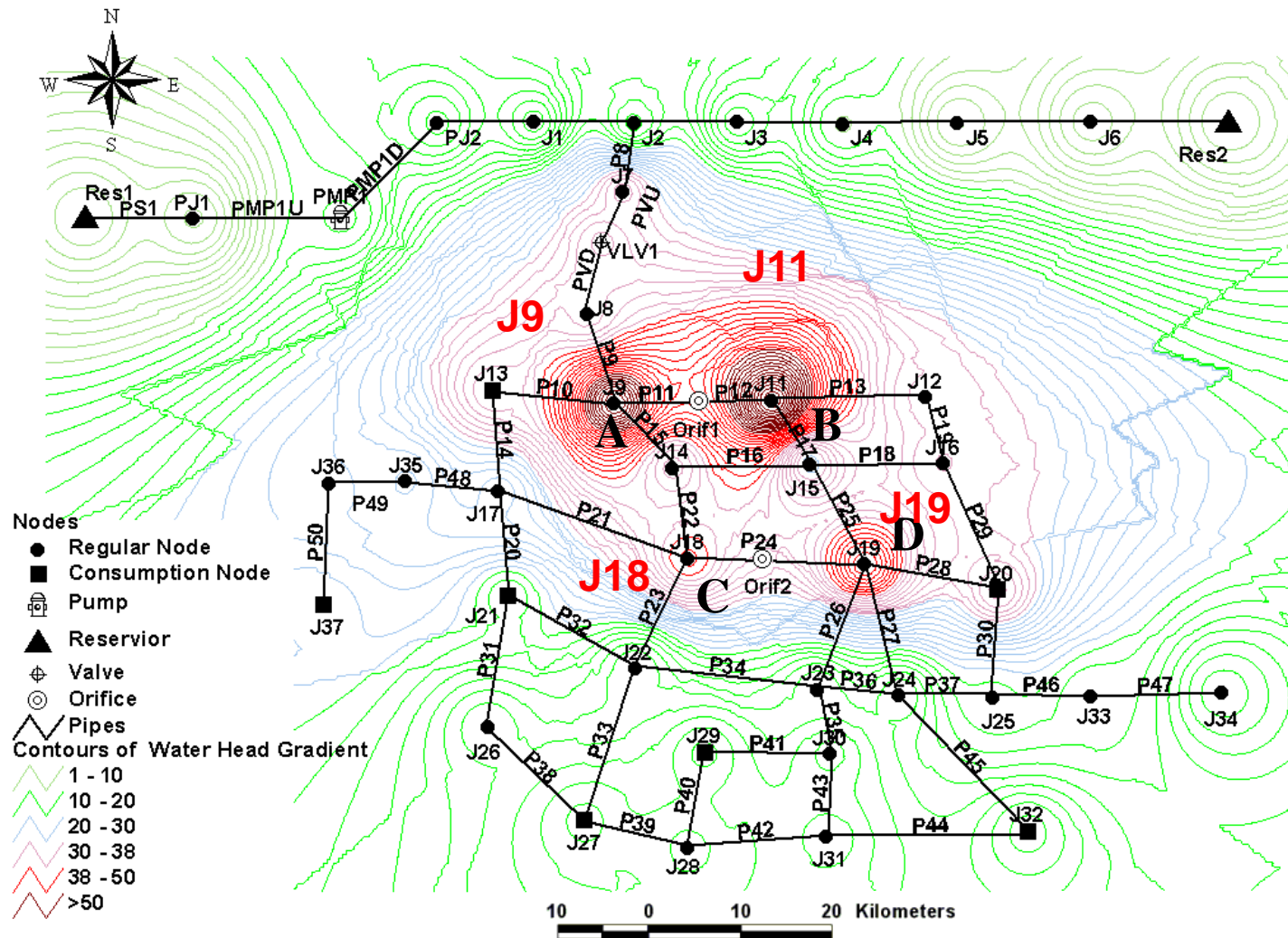
$$D = \left| \frac{H_2 - H_1}{t_2 - t_1} \right|$$



P111 Damage

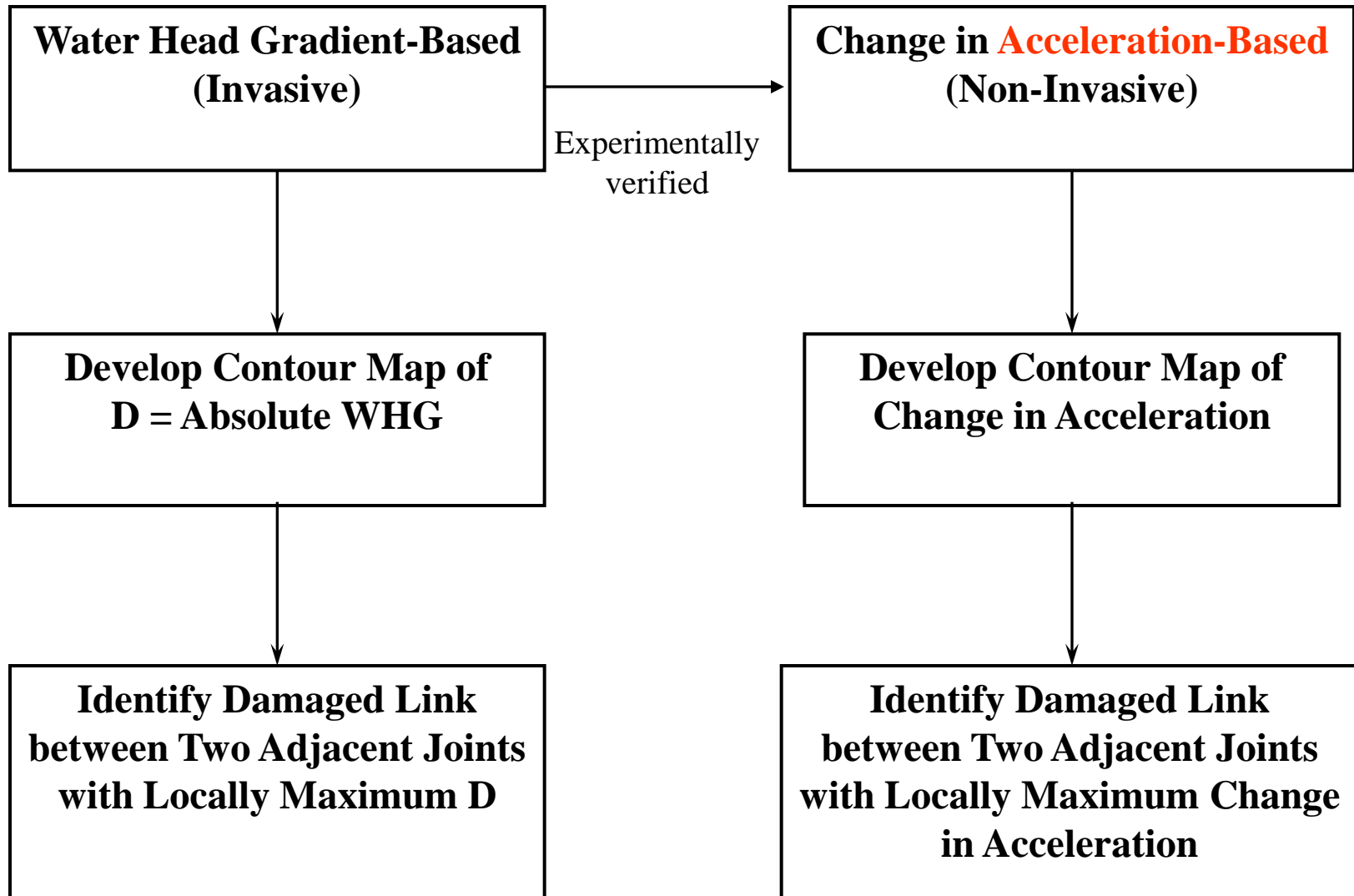


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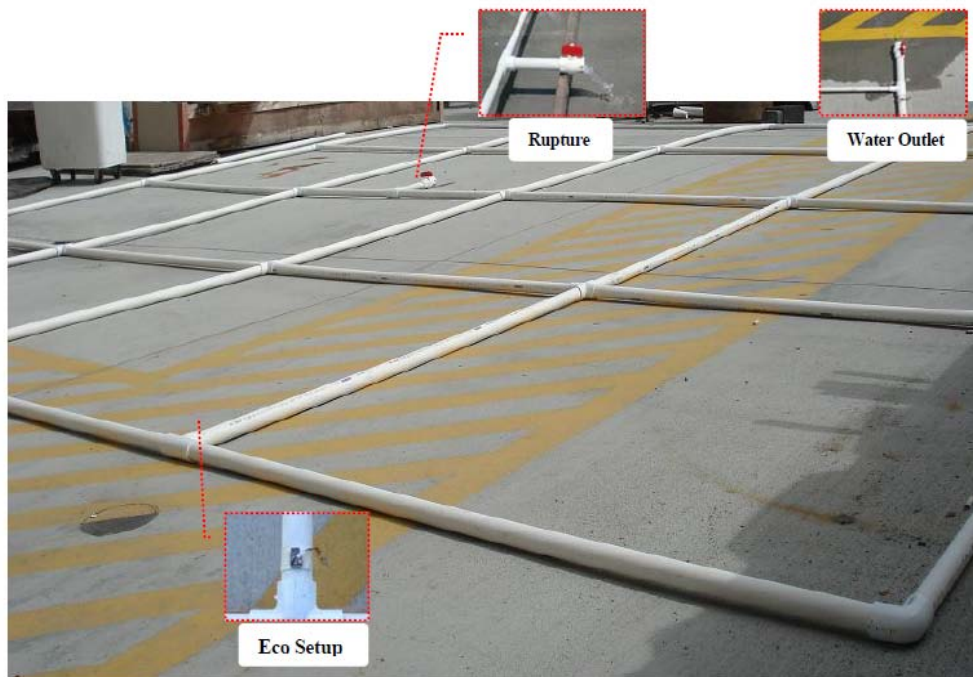
P111 & P24 Damage

# Damage Identification Methodology

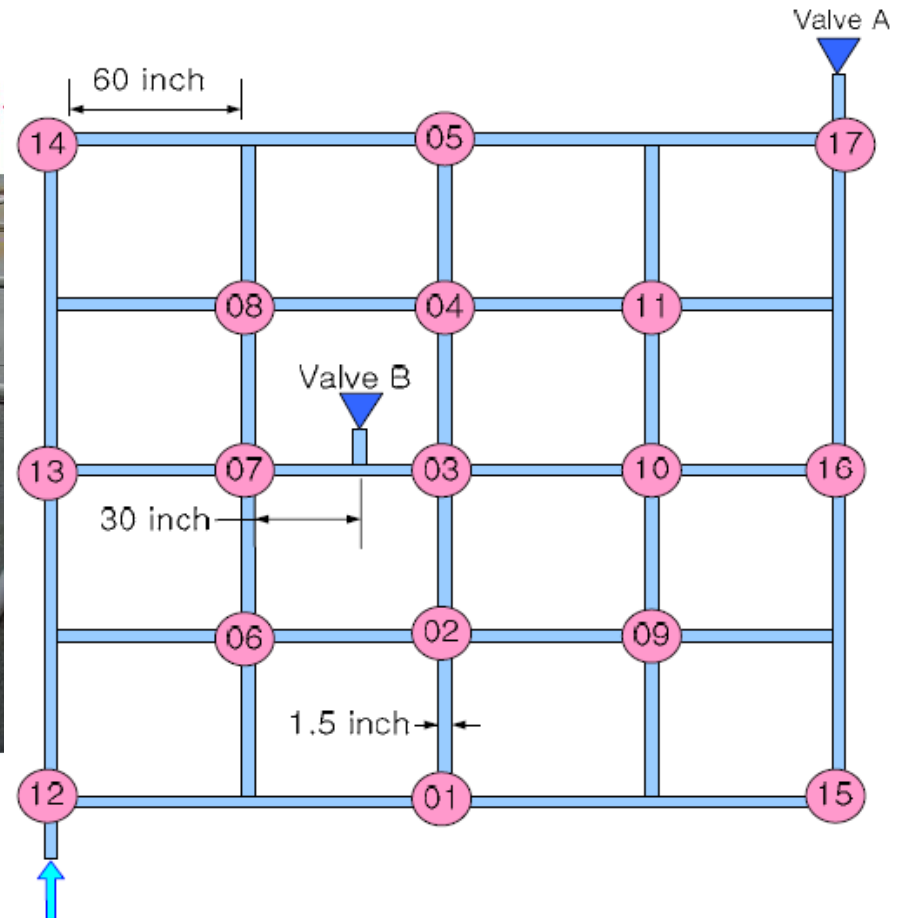




# Setup for Preliminary Experiment

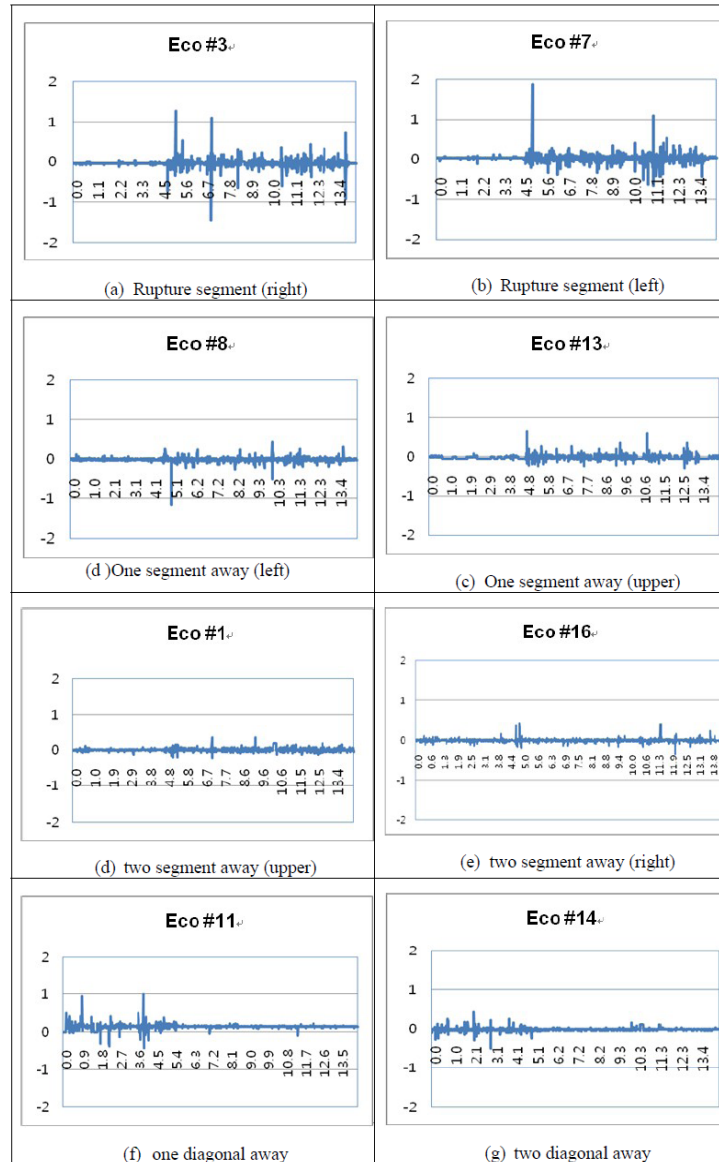


(a) Photo of PVC Water Pipe Network

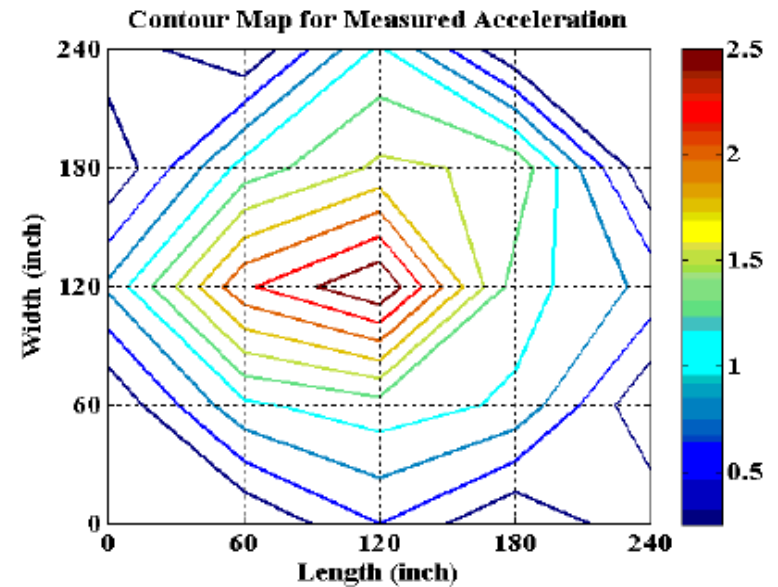
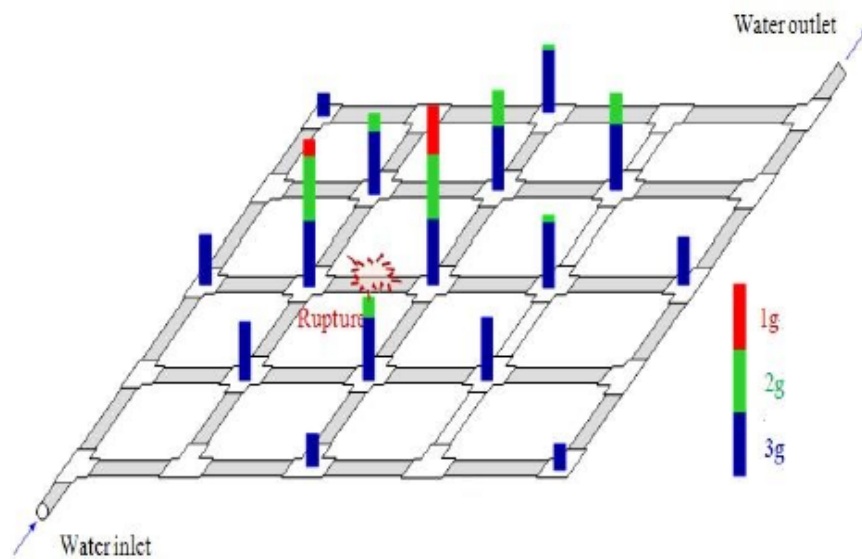


(b) Dimension of PVC Water Pipe Network and locations where 17 Eco sensors

# Acceleration Data Measured by Eco Nodes

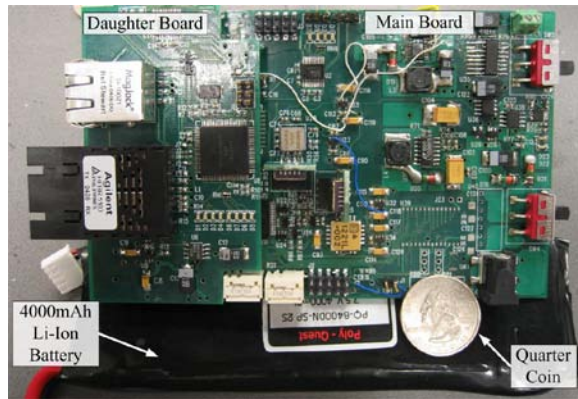


# Simulation Results for a Miniature Water Pipe Network

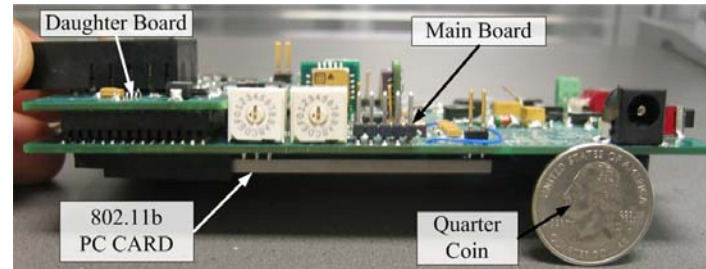


(a) Visualized image for measure acceleration data (b) Contour Map drawn by measured data

# MEMS\* based DuraNode and Eco



(a) Top View

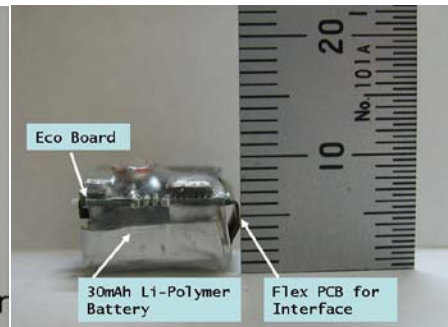


(b) Side View

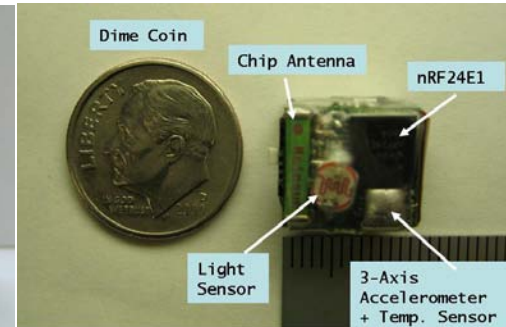
DuraNode



(a) On the finger



(b) Side View



(c) Top View

Eco

\* Micro Electro Mechanical system

# Specifications of Eco and Base Station

	Eco	Base Station
Size (mm)	13 x 11 x 8	76.2 x 114.3 x 31.7
Sensor	Triaxial accelerometer $\pm 3g$	None
Power Consumption	Max. 100mW	4.5W
Max. Air Data Rate (bps)	1 Mbps	2 Mbps
Battery	40mAh Li-Polymer (3.7V)	DC 6V/2A
Wired Interface	Serial, SPI	10/100 base/T Ethernet
Wireless Interface	2.4GHz Shockburst	2.4GHz Enhanced
Radio Range (m)	10 ~ 20	10~20
Cost (\$) @ 1000	30-50	100



(a) 2.4GHz RF Module



(b) Microcontroller Board

Base Station







## **Conclusions:**

- **Proof of concept 1s achieved by small scale experiment**

## **Future Research:**

- **Large Scale Laboratory Experiment (100 ft X 100 ft, 4 in diameter PVC pipe)**
- **Field Experiment**
- **Development of Next Generation SCADA**