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## Welche Komponenten benötigt eine erfolgreiche digitale Technologie zur Leckage-Erkennung?

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# Problem: Leckagen

Europa:

. ca. ~25% Verlust des Wassers durch Leckagen

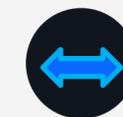
Weltweit:

. Spitzenwerte von >50%

. 126 Mrd. m<sup>3</sup> Wasser gehen pro Jahr verloren,  
Kosten von ca. 39 Milliarden USD

Praktische  
Anwendung

Akustische  
Technologie vor  
Ort



Wissenschaftliche  
Anwendung

Digitale Technologien  
Online &  
Echtzeitanwendung



Viele fallspezifische Studien ohne Open-  
Access-Daten

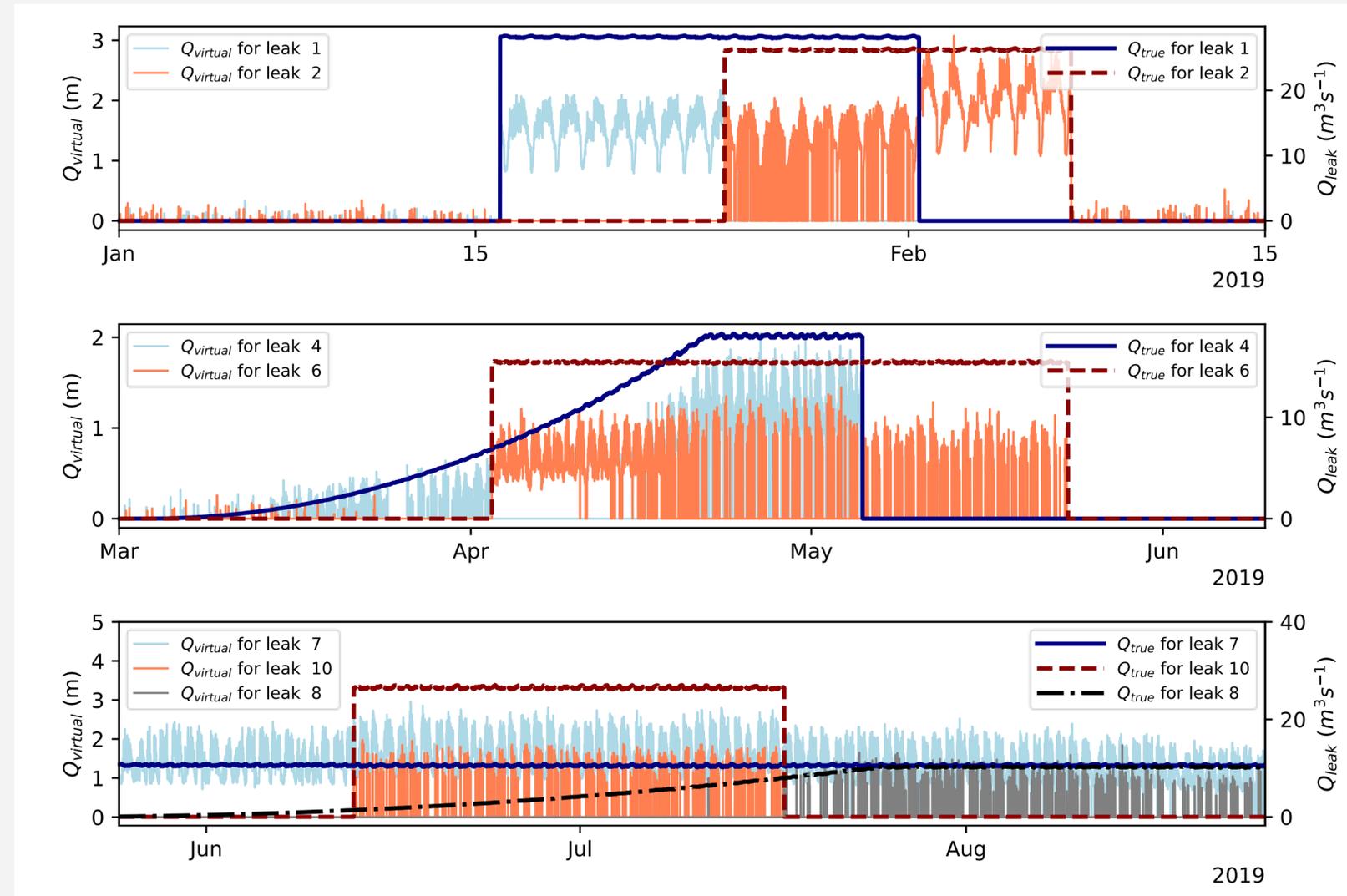
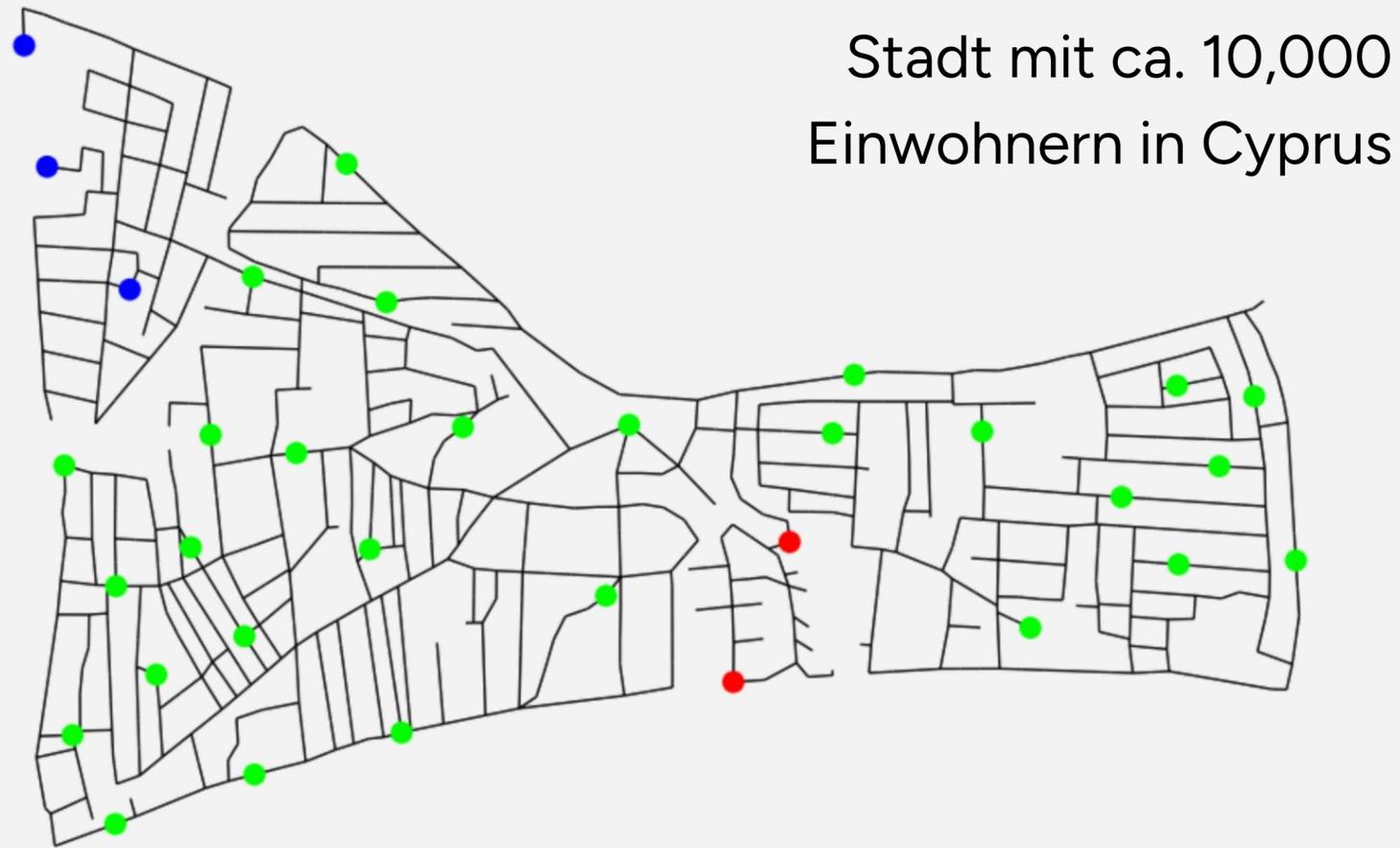
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# BattLeDIM 2020

Battle of the Leakage Detection and Isolation Methods



- ✓ 2 Wasserreservoirs
- ✓ 33 Drucksensoren
- ✓ 19 Leckagen (2019)
- ✓ 3 DMAs
- ✓ 82 AMR Sensoren

# Digitale Leckage-Erkennungstechnologie

“das beste aus beiden welten”

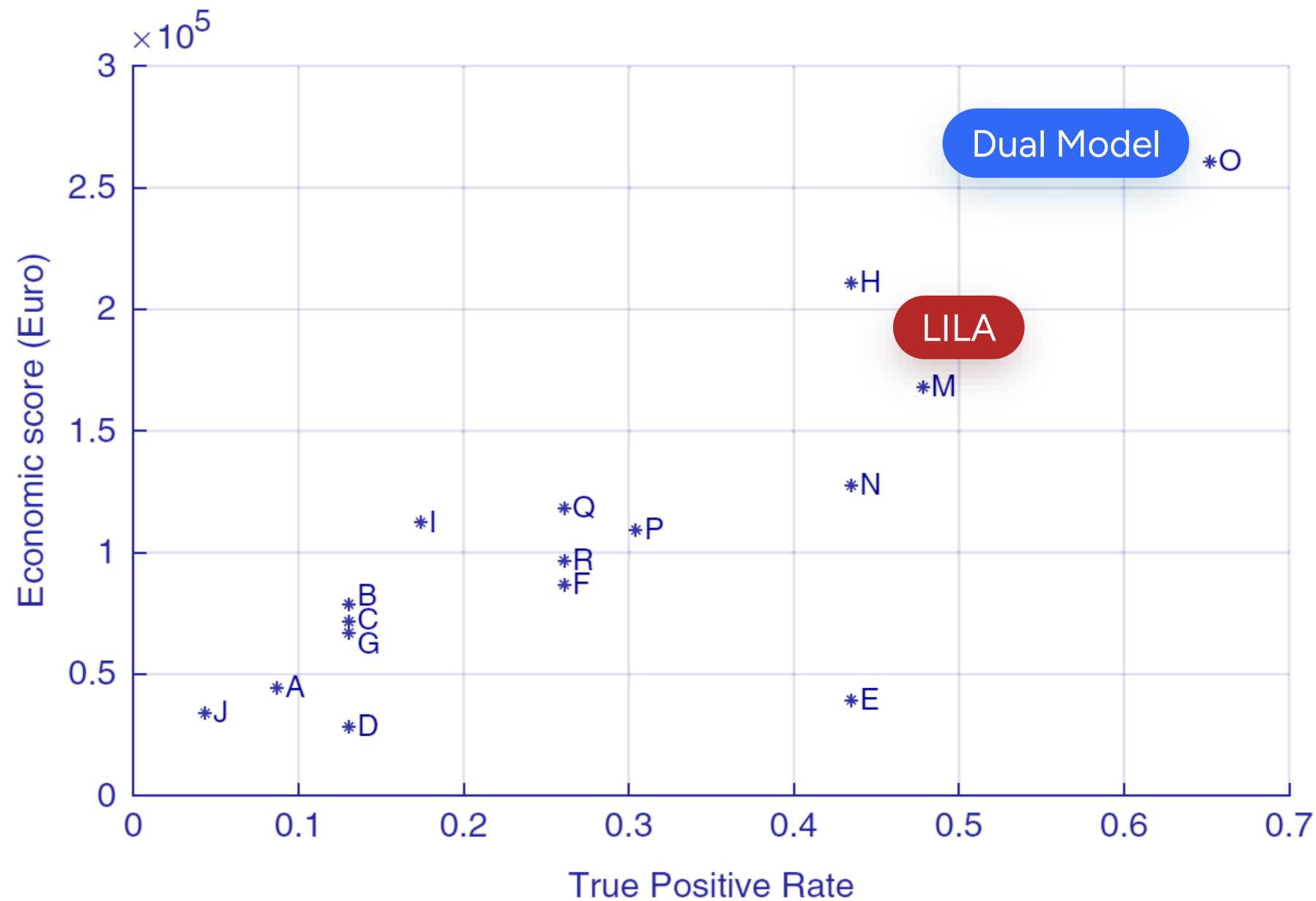


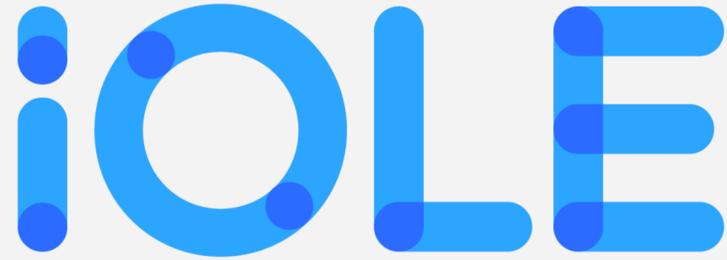
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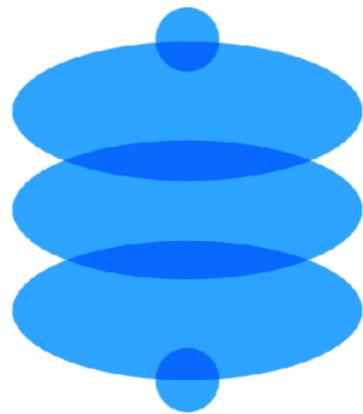
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A person in silhouette stands in the center of a dark, arched tunnel. The tunnel's walls and ceiling are made of stone or brick, creating a textured, grid-like pattern. A large, bright circular light source is positioned directly behind the person, casting a strong glow and creating a lens flare effect. The floor of the tunnel is wet, reflecting the light and the person's silhouette. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and futuristic.

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intelligente Online  
LEckage detection



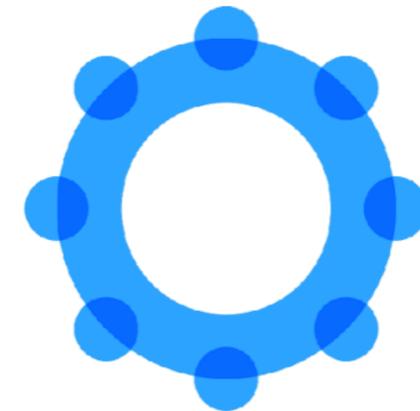
### **INTEGRIERT**

iOLE kombiniert modellbasierte  
und datengesteuerte Leckage-  
Algorithmen



### **ROBUST**

Robuste Leckageerkennung  
durch globale  
Sensitivitätsanalyse



### **HUMAN-CENTERED**

Software-Entwicklung mit  
human-centered Design-  
Ansatzes unter Einbeziehung  
des Konzepts der  
Benutzererfahrung

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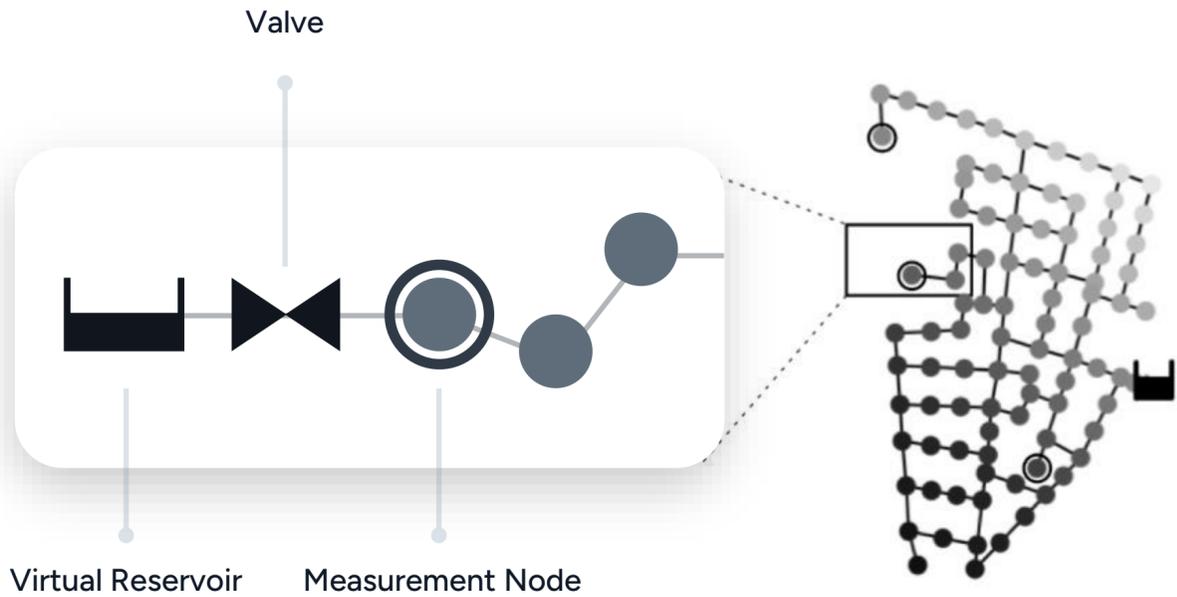
# Technologie der Leckage-Erkennung

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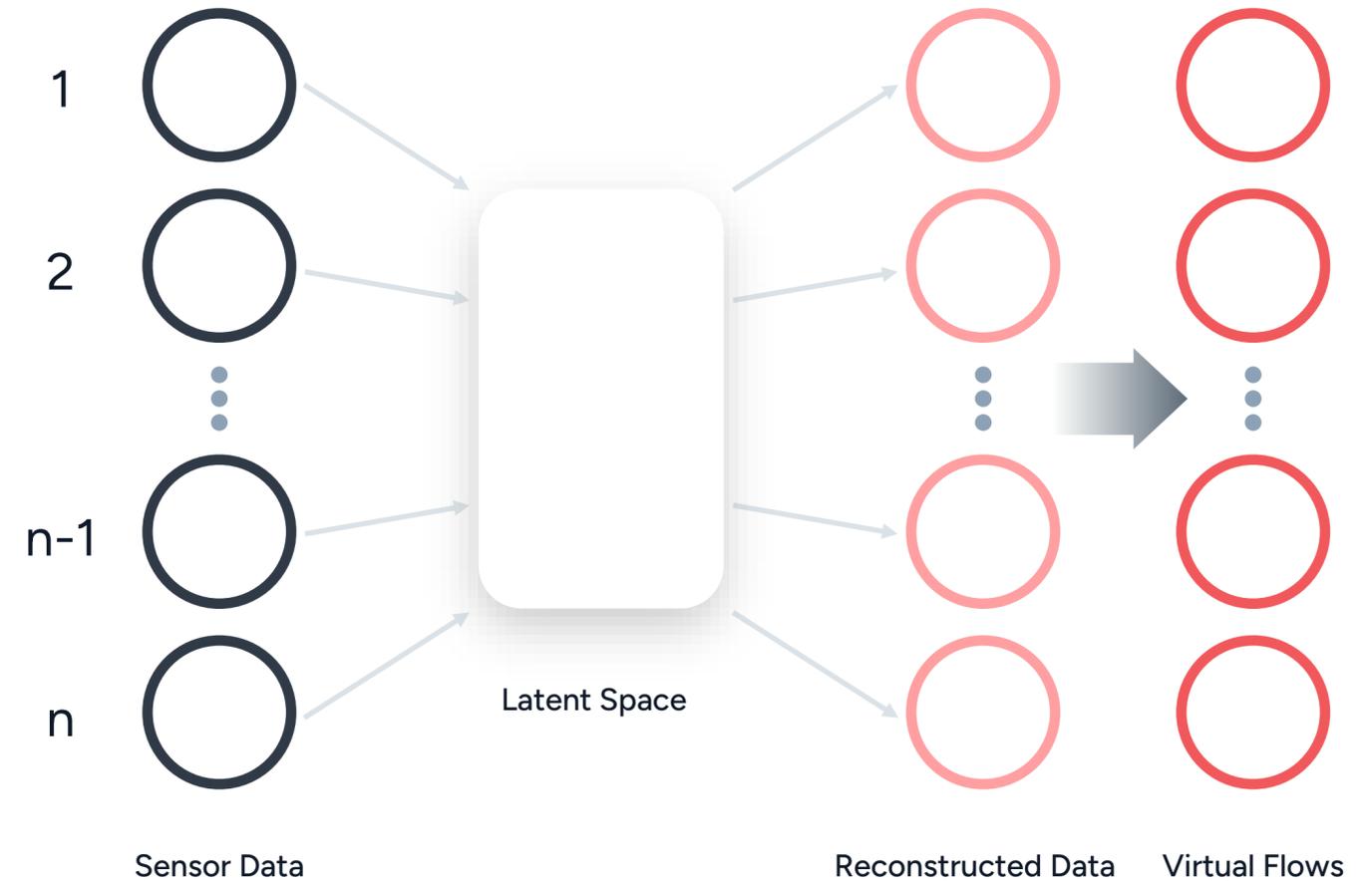
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modellbasiert + datengesteuert



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Schätzung von Wasserbedarf & Rauigkeit

Hydraulisches Modell

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basierend auf Bernoulli  
(kein hydraulisches Modell)

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(mit Druckdaten)

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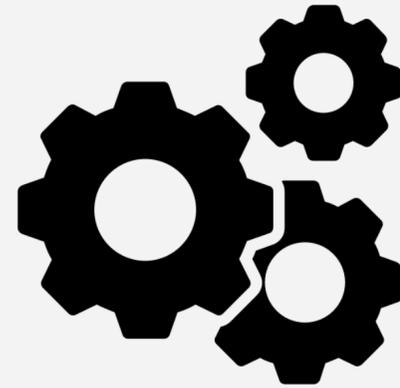
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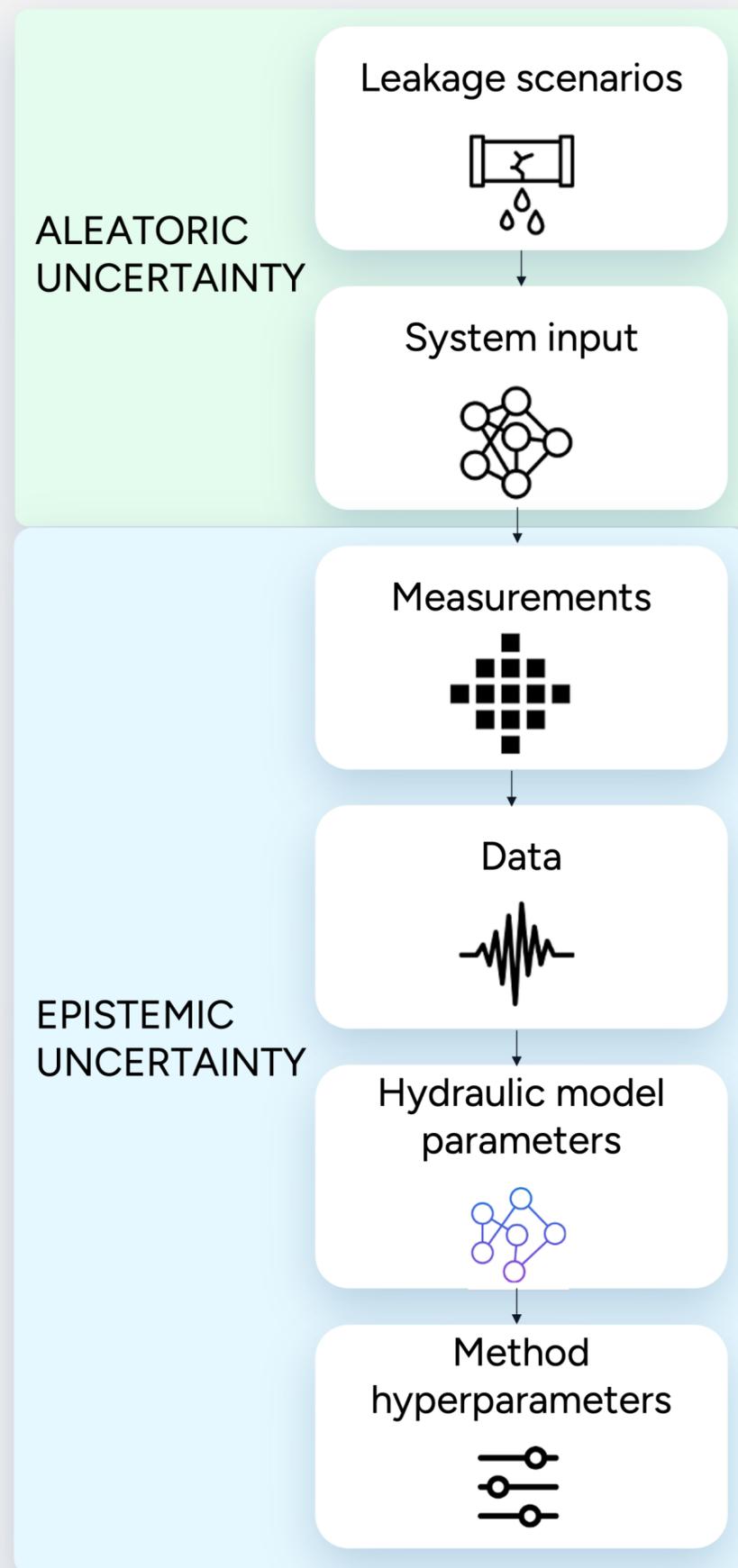
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**Robustheit**

# Globale Sensitivitätsanalyse



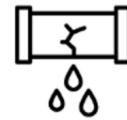
## Ziele

- . **Mehr Vertrauen und Zuverlässigkeit:** Algorithmen zur Erkennung von Leckagen in einer Vielzahl von Fällen getestet
- . **Kontinuierliche Weiterentwicklung:** Entscheidungsgrundlage für die Weiterentwicklung der einzelnen Algorithmen
- . **How to - Praxis:** Empfehlungen für die optimale Kombination von LILA und dem Dual Model

# Globale Sensitivitätsanalyse

ALEATORIC  
UNCERTAINTY

Leakage scenarios



System input



Measurements



Data



EPISTEMIC  
UNCERTAINTY

Hydraulic model  
parameters



Method  
hyperparameters



## Hierarchischer Ansatz für mehrere Szenarien

Fai, H. and Ye, M. *Variance-based global sensitivity analysis for multiple scenarios and models with implementation using sparse grid collocation*. Journal of Hydrology, **2015**.

## Sensitivitätsindex erster Ordnung und Gesamtindex der Sobol-Methode

$$S_i = \frac{V_i}{V(y)} = \frac{V_{\theta_i}(\mathbb{E}_{\theta_{\sim i}}(y|\theta_i))}{V(y)}$$

Nur Parameter  $\theta_i$  wird variiert,  
gemittelt über Variationen der anderen Parameter

$$S_{T_i} = \frac{V_i + V_{i,j} + \dots + V_{i,j,\dots,d}}{V(y)} = \frac{V(y) - V_{\theta_{\sim i}}(\mathbb{E}_{\theta_i}(y|\theta_{\sim i}))}{V(y)}$$

Berücksichtigung aller  
Variationen aufgrund von  
Parameterinteraktionen

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**Human-centered  
Design**

2023

2024

2025

## Stakeholderanalyse



### Methoden

Strukturierte Analyse von [Wasserversorgungsunternehmen und Startups](#), zur Identifikation:

- des Stands der Technik
- geografische Verteilung



### Erkenntnisse

#### 45 relevante Startups

- Aus 11 Ländern (USA, NL, UK, DE,...)
- 9 Hardware Startups + 24 Software Startups + 12 Hybride Lösungen
- 11 direkte Wettbewerber

#### 22 relevante Wasserversorger

- Bestehende Kontakte zu 14 davon

→ [Aktuell: Verständnis für Monitoring-Systeme stärken durch Austausch und Bedarfsabfrage](#)

| Competitor                      | Location | Description   |
|---------------------------------|----------|---|
| SIWA (Siemens Water)            | 🌐 Global | SIWA applications are specifically developed for the water and wastewater industry so operators can optimize energy efficiency, avoid water loss, reduce contamination of water bodies and improve predictive maintenance measures.   |
| Bunt Planet Acquired by SIWA    | 🇪🇸 ES    | The BuntBrain smart water management solution includes ten stand-alone modules which permit a water utility to manage its water network/assets remotely. Modules range from BuntBrain LeakFinder, a powerful tool for leak detection, to BuntBrain DigitalTwin, which can simulate events within the network. |
| HULO.ai                         | 🇳🇱 NL    | Real-time leak localization in water distribution networks. HULO's algorithms provide water utilities with know-how about their water network. Together, we detect, localize and quantify leaks in the very early stages.   |
| VODA.ai                         | 🇺🇸 US    | Manage your pipes effortlessly. VODA.ai® helps utilities create project plans for mains and service lines with daVinci™ - the industry's most powerful AI engine that ranks pipes by Business Risk Exposure within 12 months and up to 20 years.  |
| Preventio                       | 🇩🇪 DE    | The Preventio platform is an AI-based SaaS solution. The platform provides customers with comprehensive and easily accessible information and insights, on predicting and preventing tap water damage.  |
| FIDO Tech                       | 🇬🇧 UK    | FIDO AI is over 92% accurate at detecting leaks on any pipe material at any pressure and in any environment. It is the first technology able to size leaks from acoustic and kinetic data.  |
| Aqua Suite (Royal HaskoningDHV) | 🇳🇱 NL    | Aqua Suite software operates as an AI-powered analyst and autopilot for water utilities and industries. It rapidly learns the relationship between processes, makes accurate predictions, and anticipates demand and changing conditions, while preserving valuable knowledge.                                |
| GoAigua Water/ Xylem Vue        | 🇺🇸 US    | GoAigua Water centralizes drinking water utilities' operational management to reduce costs, maximize efficiency and improve service.  |
| Leakmited                       | 🇫🇷 FR    | AI-Powered water leak detection for water utilities companies. After more than 3 years of research and development, Leakmited has developed a unique artificial intelligence algorithm that can drastically reduce the size of the areas to investigate to find leaks.  |
| Olea Edge Analytics             | 🇺🇸 US    | Our sustainable, patented technology enables utilities to get a handle on water loss while providing safe, clean and affordable drinking water. Olea digitalizes the water distribution network, bringing insights to water using AI-based edge computing using IoT sensors.                                  |
| Bentley Systems                 | 🇺🇸 US    | Future-Proof Water Infrastructure. Confidently plan, design, build, operate, and maintain   |

# Human-centered Design

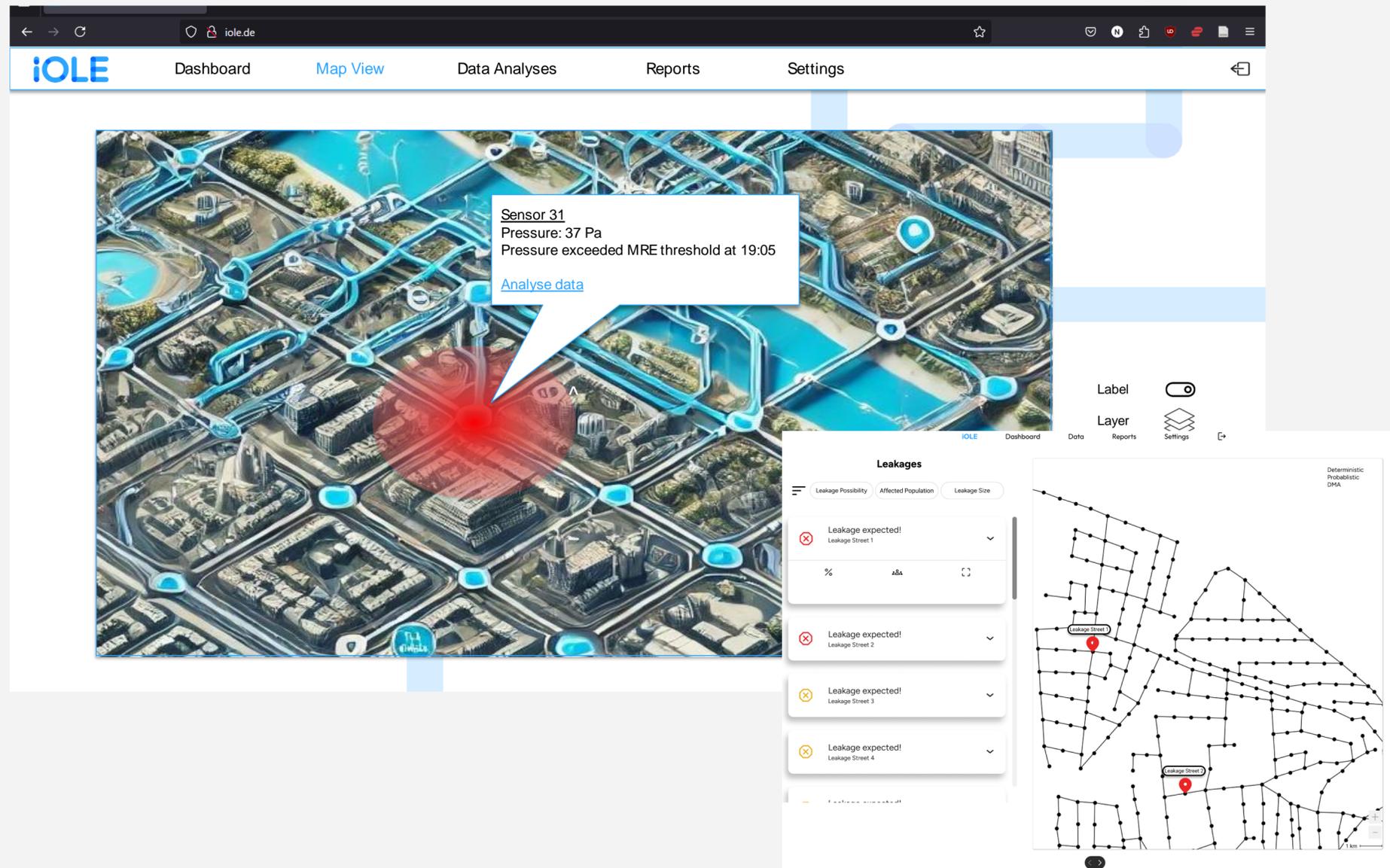
## Analyse & Feedback-Loops

2023

2024

2025

### Workshops



### Workshop 1:

#### Bedarfe & Status Quo

- Austausch mit Wasserversorgern
- Verständnis aktueller Monitoring-Systeme
- Bedarfe & Wünsche, Hemmnisse abbauen



### Workshop 2:

#### Feedback-Loop

- Nutzung des Tools
- Feedback und Roundtable Runden
- Re-defining der Software (UI/UX)



# Intelligente Online Leckage-Erkennung

Mehr erfahren

Findet uns Online  
www.iole.tech



## NÄCHSTE EVENTS



Digital GreenTech Konferenz  
12 -13 November 2024  
Berlin, Deutschland

Im November werden wir auf der Digital GreenTech Konferenz das iOLE Projekt vorstellen und uns mit anderen geförderten Konsortien austauschen. Wir sind gespannt!

Mehr erfahren

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