

CwMAG WORKSHOP 2022

Best Practice Guide



Workshop Programme – Wednesday 19th October

09:15 - 09:20

Welcome & Introduction - Jon Cockram (United Utilities)

Session 1 – Model Build Guidelines

- 09:20 09:30 Introduction to the Guidelines Duncan Allen (Scottish Water)
- 09:30 09:50 **Model Build -** Fiona Page (Yorkshire Water)
- 09:50 10:10 Field Testing Hossein Rezaei (RPS)
- 10:10 10:30 **Demand Analysis -** Tim Balding (Atkins)
- 10:30 10:50 **Calibration -** Simon Croft (Anglian Water)
- 10:50 11:20 Coffee Break

Session 2 – Demand Profiles Project

- 11:20 11:25 **Introduction to the project -** Jon Cockram (United Utilities)
- 11:25 13:00 Dilraj Dillon & Stephen Burgess (Crowders)
- 13:00 14:00 <u>Lunch</u>



CwMAG Best Practice Guide -History

- One of the original purposes of CwMAG was to set up a UK methodology
- A number of attempts and discussions have been held over the years to advance this including:
 - Company specification reviews
 - Discussions with WRC
 - Sponsored a University Literary review
 - Lots of internal chat



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- A new approach was taken / attempted ...
- Questionnaires were compiled and sent around all the water companies
- Focus was on a Yes / No basis
- General approach has been if over 75% of company answers same then deemed best practice
- Where under 75% further work required





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- Questionnaire focused on 4 main categories plus some general questions:
 - Model Build
 - Demands
 - Field Test
 - Calibration



- Total of 115 questions 80 Y/N with 35 additional info text answers. E.g. Do you have a model build specification <5yrs old (y/n) – when was it last reviewed (text)
- Questionnaire was sent to 25 UK Water Companies with responses received from 17
- Each of the following chapters are based on these categories



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• General area of questionnaire

Y/	/N or								
ID Te	ext	Area	Query	Count Yes	Count No	% Yes			
1 Y/	/N	General	Do you have a current model build & calibration specification (<5 years old)?	13	4	76%			
2 Te	ext	General	ral What year was it last reviewed / updated?		ication ranged	from 2005-2019			
3 Y/	/N	General	eral Do you have different levels of model build?		6	65%			
4 Te	ext	General	eneral Levels of model build		Largely all mains with some strategic etc.				
5 Y/	/N	General	Do you carry out a detailed pre model build assessment of network assets?		7	59%			
6 Y/	/N	General	Do you have a standardised report template for calibration report?	11	6	65%			
7 Y/	/N	General	Do you have a model audit procedure?	13	4	76%			
8 Y/	/N	General	Do you get a network performance report as part of the model build?	13	4	76%			
9 Y/	/N	General	Do you specify additional models to be provided above the calibration day?	11	6	65%			
10 Y/	/N	General	If calibration day specific controls used do you specify a working model to be provided?	11	6	65%			



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MODEL BUILDING

Fiona Page Yorkshire Water



Aims of Model Building

- The aim is to create a replica/digital twin of the distribution or supply system in the software that mimics reality as practicably as possible.
- May be simplified in some ways for a strategic model, or a specific purpose or area.
- But in general we need to include all relevant hydraulic devices and allow for flow/pressure monitoring points
- Most companies will specify a specific model starting point



Data Sources

- GIS a variety of different GIS systems across the companies
- Topographical information node and property
- Address/Billing data properties
- Asset Information Pumps and Reservoirs
- Telemetry & field data
- Demand profiles actual and derived

	Count	Count	t			C	ount		
Query	Yes	No	•	%Yes 💌	Count Yes	- N	o '	• 🕺 Ye	s 💌
Do you specify co-ordinate system to be used?	1	3	3	81%		13		4	76%
If yes - which?					National Grid				
Do you have a minimum Digital Terrain Mapping grid requirement for noc	1 1	2	4	75%		12		5	71%
What is used?					Majority 10m grid or better				
Do you include pologons in your model?	1	5	2	<mark>88%</mark>		16		2	89%
If yes - which?					typically DMA plus some others				



To start with

- Define model purpose (type) and area
- Data extract
- Data cleansing best practice to feed back errors found
- Demand allocation
- Data (fieldtest) processing/allocation

Each water company will have their own specific methods for each aspect depending on GIS and model software.

Most modelling software has a certain number of model building tools within them (file converters/importers and scripts)

The conversion process will create nodes, pipes and assets

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Do you specify typical model starting points?	12	4	75%	12	5	71%



Nodes

These may exist in GIS, but generally extra ones need to be created.

From the questionnaire:

- A unique but repeatable node numbering methodology is required usually Grid Reference format
- Elevation is usually derived from 10m or better DTM or LIDAR data
- Each node (and pipe) should be assigned to a specific area code (DMA etc)
- Each node needs a grid reference (12 point)

	Count		ount			Count		
Query	 Yes 	• N	•	%Yes 💌	Count Yes 💌	No 💌	%Yes 💌	
Do you have a specified node naming format?		16	0	100%	17	0	100%	
What?					Generally grid ref based on GIS based			
Do you use area codes for all nodes and links?		16	1	94%	17	1	94%	
Do you include all hydrants in the model as a hydrant type?		12	5	71%	13	5	72%	



Pipes (upstream:node – downstream:node)

		Count				JCount			
Query	Yes 📑	No	- 1%	6Yes 💌	Count Yes	No	• %	Yes 💌	-
Do you include all valves in the model build as a valve type?	1	5	2	88%	16		2	89%	
Do you include all Boundary valves with neighbouring systems (i.e. areas r	1	5	2	88%	16		2	89%	
Do you specify a default valve curve?	1	1	5	69%	12		5	71%	
Do you specify any standard head loss through specific valve types?		4 1	2	25%	4		13	24%	
If yes, details					IW/SynerGi diff. typically k in SynerGi with valve	curves i	n IW		
Do you include all washout pipes in the model build?	1	0	7	59%	11		7	61%	
Do you have a specified link naming format?		6	9	40%	7		9	44%	
What?									
Are pipe lengths automatically calculated based on geographical length?	1	4	2	88%	15		2	88%	
Do you specify internal diameters of PE pipes to be used?	1	7	0	100%	18		0	100%	
Do you specify which friction factors to be used?	1	7	0	100%	18		0	100%	
Which?					4 CW, 3 DW, 1 HW				
Do you specify what default friction factors should be applied?	1	5	2	88%	16		2	89%	<mark>May be w</mark> or
Basis of this application?					Most appear to have look up tables - may be wo	rth gath	nering	g to see s	imilarities e
Do you specify how any unknown diameters should be assumed?	1	2	5	71%	13		5	72%	
If yes, how?					typically surrounding pipes/local knowledge				
Do you specify internal diameters of PE pipes to be used?	1	5	0	100%	15		1	94%	<mark>May be w</mark> or



- Required Diameter/length/roughness coefficient (ie material)
- Look-up tables for diameters and coefficients vary considerable across companies, a standard table was not obvious
- Valves should be included, especially boundary valves to other areas
- Control Valves should be modelled dynamically
- Most use an automatic length calculator
- Differing softwares use different valve curves/tau values/headloss coefficients such that standardisation isn't possible, default software curves are used.



- Unlike nodes, there isn't a tendency to stipulate a pipe naming convention (assume us-ds.node)
- While individual look-up tables are used for friction factors it was interesting that we don't all use the same type. Mix of Hazen-Williams, Dary-Weisbach and Colebrook-White



Question - A standard Look-up Table?

- Is it something we would find useful?
- Pipe diameters, Coefficients or both?

Materi	ial	Age	Company 1	Company 2	Company 3	Company 4	Company 5	Company 6					
		0	0.03	0.03	0.03			0.05					
		20	0.06	0.06	0.03		0.3	0.05					
	Asbestos	30	0.08	0.08	0.03		0.3	0.05					
AC	Cement	40	0.1	0.1	0.03		0.3	0.05					
	Cement	50	0.2	0.2	0.03		0.3	0.05					
		60	0.3	0.3	0.03		0.3	0.05					
		70	0.4	0.4	0.03		0.3	0.05					-
		0	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	2					
		15	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	2					
		20	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	2					
		25	1	1	1	1	1	2					
		30	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	2					
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		100	6	6	6	6	6	5					
		110	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	5					
		120			7.5	7.5	7.5						
		0	0.03	0.03				0.05		1.5		1.5	
		15	0.05	0.05				0.05		1.5		1.5	
		20	0.88	0.88				0.05		1.5		1.5	
	Cast Iron	25	1	1				0.05		1.5		1.5	
CIL	Lined	30	1.5	1.5				0.05	Epoxy	1.5	Bitumen	1.5	Cement
		40	2	2				0.05		1.5		1.5	1
		50	2.5	2.5				0.05		1.5		1.5 1.5	
		60	3	3				0.05		1.5		1.5	1
		70	3.5	3.5				0.05		1.5		1.5	L

As can be seen from the table below, a wide variety of values are used across different companies, making developing a standard look up table difficult.

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Network Assets

Service Reservoirs/Water Towers/Break Pressure Tanks and Pumping Stations

	Count	Count			Co	ount	
Query	Yes 💌	No	%Yes 💌	Count Yes	▼ No	•	% Yes 💌
Do you model a CWT/storage at treatment works as a reservoir node (stor	r 10	7	59%		10	8	56%
Do you model multiple cell reservoirs as a single reservoir in the model?	10	7	59%		11	7	61%
Do you have guidelines regarding node elevations around reservoirs?	4	13	24%		4	14	22%
If yes , what?				Generally no neg pressures where stated			
As reservoirs are typically point objects do you have any guidelines regard	8	8	50%		8	9	47%
If yes, what?							
For reservoirs, if inlet pipe level is unknown do you have any guidelines for	7	10	41%		7	11	39%
If yes, what?				Typically high level			
Do you model each individual pump?	17	C	100%		18	0	100%
Do you use manufacturers pump curves?	15	2	88%		16	2	89%
Do you specify that pump tests should be carried out in order to calculate	1	16	6%		1	17	6%
Do you include all meters in the model?	16	1	94%		17	1	94%
Do you specify any standard head loss through specific meter types?	2	15	12%		2	16	11%
If yes, details				based on meter type			



Network Assets

Service Reservoirs/Water Towers/Break Pressure Tanks and Pumping Stations

From the questionnaire:

- These should be modelled as variable head reservoirs, preferably with inlet & outlet flows measured and modelled.
- Reservoirs of more than one cell are usually modelled as a single cell
- Pumps should be modelled individually with manufacturers pump curves where possible.





Network Assets

Service Reservoirs/Water Towers/Break Pressure Tanks and Pumping Stations

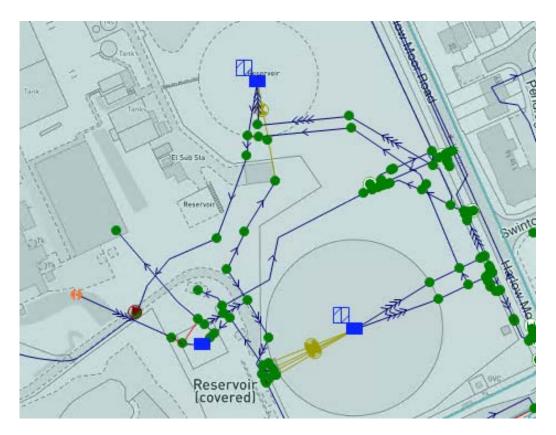
From the questionnaire:

- Variable as to whether a tank at a Water Treatment Works is modelled or not
- No guidelines for elevations round reservoirs (often lead to negative pressures)
- Rare that there are any specific guidelines for modelling reservoirs/inlets etc
- Pump tests are rarely undertaken
- No standard headloss for meter types





 Regarding pumps and reservoirs – would examples of how they are modelled be of use?





Properties and Property Allocation

- Domestic/non-domestic and either metered or unmetered
- Usually present in GIS as geo-referenced 'points', and can be allocated within the model or GIS to a specific algorithm, usually
- Pipes >8"/200mm not allocated to
- Distance to pipe limited (eg 200m) to identify private supplies/errors
- Maximum number of properties usually 200 (rare to exceed that in modern models)





Data Flags/Labels

Best Practice to include them, though too many are counter-productive. The following are common

- Calibration Change
- Model Maintenance
- Levelled point
- GIS import
- Assumed data

	Name	Display Colour		Obsolete	Description						
	#A		•		Asset Data						
	#D		•		System Default						
	#G		•		Data from GeoPlan						
	#		•		Model Import						
	#N		·		Data from Node						
	#V		•		CSV Import						
	AS		•		ASSUMED - Data assumed by Modeller based on Engineering Judgeme						
	CC		•		Calibration Change						
	EX		•		Length extended for Infoworks						
	FT		•		Data from Field Test						
	IF		•		INFERRED - Data Inferred by Infoworks automated process						
	IT		•		INFERRED - Level data inferred from a Terrain Model > 900mm accura						
	KM		•		KM Check before sending						
	MA		•		Maintenance changes						
	MI		•		MapInfo						
	NB		•		Netbase flow/ pressure data						
	OP		•	×	Data gathered from Operations/ Asset Management						
	SL		•		SURVEYED - Data obtained from Level Survey						
	TA		•	×	TEMPORARY - Temporary assumption made pending survey or other d						
*	10		•		Temporary assumption made pending survey or e						

Query	Yes	▼ No	▼ %	Yes 💌	Count Yes	•	No	/% Ye	s 💌
Do you have a list of data flags for use within the modelling software?		10	7	59%		11	7	7	61%
If flags being used do you have a clear guide as to typical usage?		9	5	64%		10	Ę	5	67%



Thankyou



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FIELD TESTING

Hossein Rezaei RPS Group



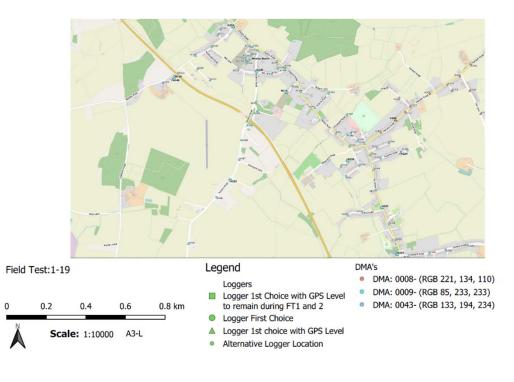
Content

- Purpose of field testing
- Field test planning
- Flow, pressure, depth
- Telemetry and existing data
- Operational sites
- Duration and timing
- Coverage and logger density
- Accuracy and logger setup
- Practicalities and failures



Field test planning

- System hydraulics
- Data
 - GIS, asset and operational data
 - System and site schematics
 - Billing data
 - Previous models
 - System anomalies
 - Various corporate databases, etc.
- Practicalities
- Communication







- Majority are permanently logged
- Flows in and out of the model area (i.e. transfer nodes)
- Flows in and out of reservoirs and towers
- Flows delivered by all pumps
- Flows through hydraulically-defined zones and DMA meters
- Flows to large metered customers



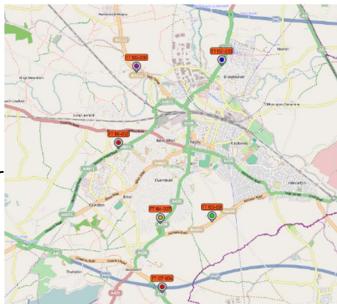
Coverage and logger density

• DMA

- 1 logger per ~200 properties for urban areas
- 1 logger per approximately 5km length of pipe for rural areas
- A minimum of 3 loggers per DMA
- Single-fed DMA: inlet, CP, end of DMA

• TM

- Often driven by availability of existing logging points
- 1 logger for every 3-5km of trunk main length and/or
- Where there is a significant change in trunk main characteristics (network or hydraulic)





Operational assets

- Often on telemetry/SCADA systems
- **Reservoirs**; depth, multi-cell, and site visit to confirm operation, connectivity
- Pump stations; logged individually, enabling works, confirm operation/model/type/curve, clarify standby/duty
- Regulating valves; u/s and d/s

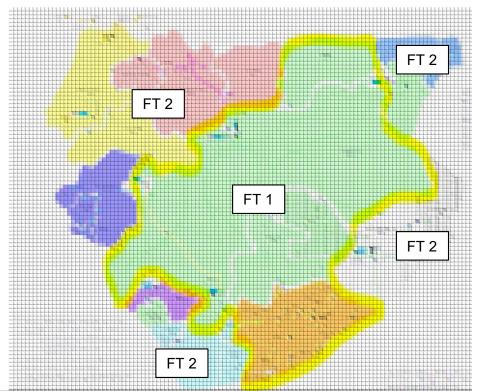
- Other data
 - Site visits to collect info about system hydraulics
 - Details of anomalies





Duration and timing

- Consider calibration day
- At least 1 full week
- Aiming for 'typical' behaviour (avoid times of other planned activities)
- If more than one FT, plans for suitable hydraulic splits
- If flow is changing, aiming for time of high flow/headloss





Accuracy and logger setup

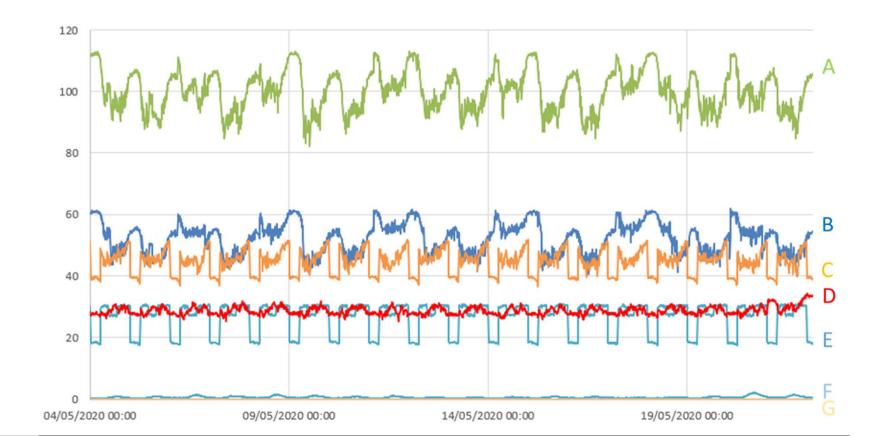
- Typically 15-minute time interval data (higher resolution conversions)
- Logging device accuracy typically 0.1%.
- Loggers suitably calibrated
- All pressure and depth locations are levelled, a tolerance within ±25mm to ±50mm
- Mindful of coverage when using GPS levelling





Quality checks

- Spot check/manual readings during installation
- Interim field test checks on key logged locations
- Data check for consistency and reliability, soon after collection





Practicalities

- Working assets
- Alternative locations
- Prior site visits
- e-forms/tools
- H&S,
 - Suitability trained and experienced
 - Safe access to logging locations
 - RAMS, PPE, etc.
- Trainings
 - Water hygiene, calm network, traffic permits, etc.
- Naming convention
- Acceptable rate of **failure** agreed between all stakeholders





Future developments

- Practices may be adjusted to benefit from new developments
 - High resolution pressure testing
 - Increased density of permanent logging
 - Enhanced pressure monitoring
 - Advances in 'Internet of Things' technologies
 - Near real-time modelling
 - Smart metering, etc.





Thank you.



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DEMAND ANALYSIS – Introduction

One of the most important elements of simulating a water supply system is representing demands for the system, the three key things to consider are:

- Distribution of demand
- Known demand
- Unknown demand

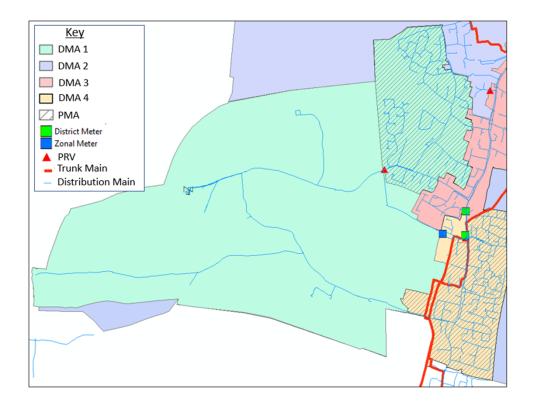
Assigning the demand is carried out as part of the model build process the Demand Analysis involves setting up demand scenarios, typically including Calibration day, ADD and ADPW scenarios.



Requirements for Demand Analysis

Collection of data will typically include

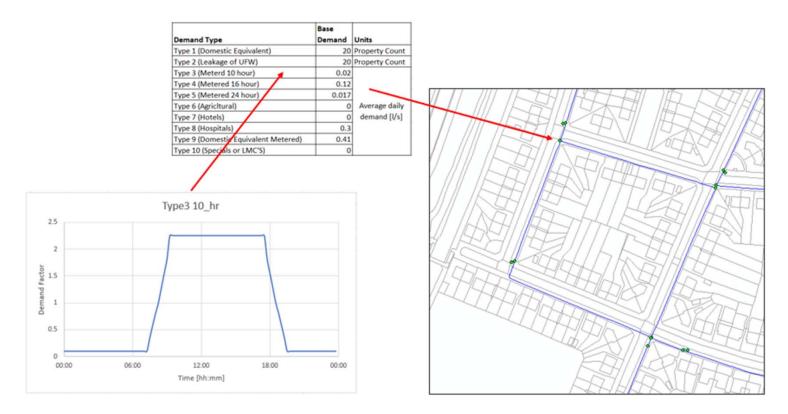
- Details of the defined area to be analysed e.g. District Metered Area (DMA) Pressure Managed Area (PMA)
- Flow data from the relevant inlet and outlet meters
- Details of the population breakdown within the defined areas.





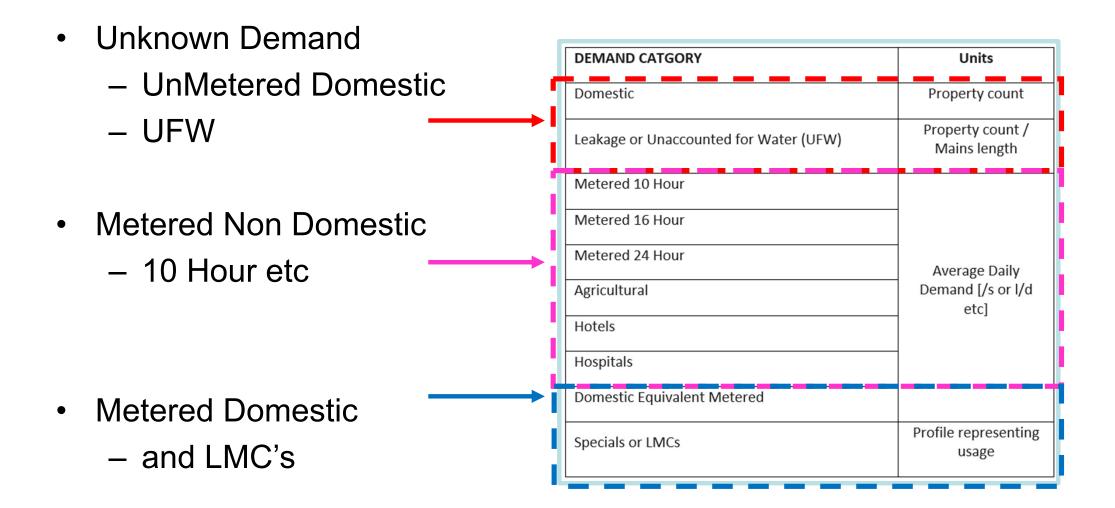
Distribution of Demands

- Following on from the demand allocation during the model build
- Property points will have been classified into demand types
- Property counts and demand types will have been aggregated on to demand nodes





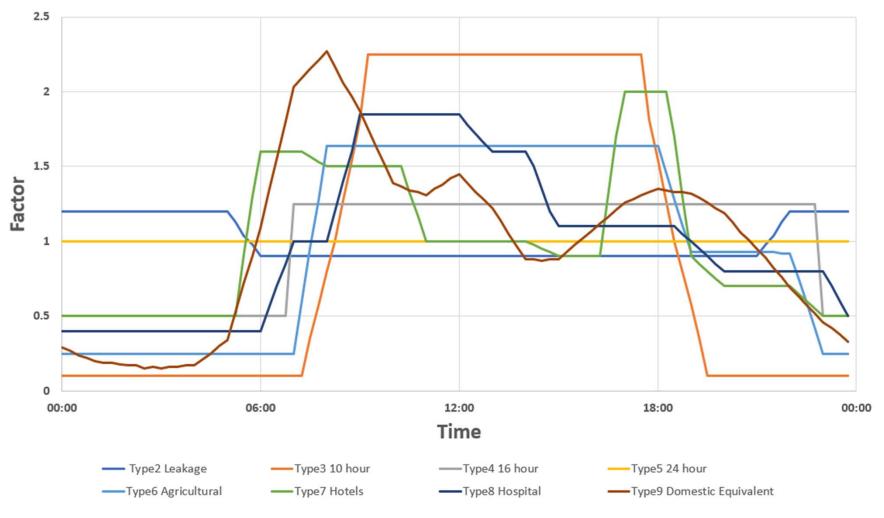






Demand Profiles

Standard Demand Profiles

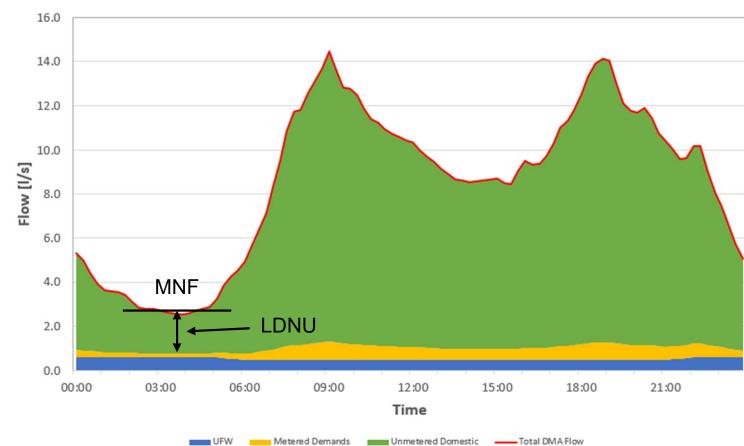




Analyse

DMA	DMA 1
Domestic (property count)	2141
Type 2 (property count)	2141
Type3 [l/s]	0
Type4 [l/s]	0.0039
Type5 [l/s]	0
Type6 [l/s]	0
Type7 [l/s]	0
Type8 [l/s]	0.001078
Type9 [l/s]	0.494291
Type10 (Count)	0

Total Daily Demand	736.78 m ³
Domestic Demand	
Domestic Properties	2141
Occupancy Rate	2.15
Population	4612
Domestic night use	1.78 l/s
Domestic Demand	140.80 l/head/day
Domestic Consumption	649.44 m ³
Metered Demand	
Logged Consumers	0.00 m ³
Unlogged Consumers	43.14 m ³
Total Metered Demand	43.14 m ³
Total UFW	44.20 m ³



DMA 1





- Issues you may encounter
 - A broken or faulty inlet / outlet meter
 - A breach between areas
 - High or Low PCC or UFW values
- Potential solutions
 - Combine areas to cover for the lack of monitoring
 - Further field investigations



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Model Calibration

Simon Croft Anglian Water



Calibration topics

- Introduction
- Flows
- Depth
- Pressure
- Model anomalies
- Model performance



Calibration

Introduction

Typically, models are calibrated over a 24 hour period, based upon the field test day.

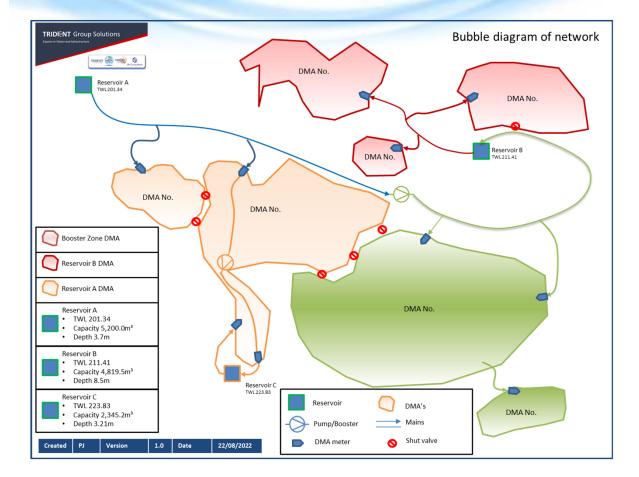
The model predictions in the final calibrated model needs to reflect the behaviour of water system over the diurnal variation of both daily peak and minimum night flows.

Model owners will specify their own model settings, but it is recommended that 15 minute time steps over the 24 hour period, with a minim computational accuracy of 0.1l/s.

It's vital that before significant time is spent calibrating the model, network data from the field tests is validated







Above, example of a water network from source, showing the input meters, boundaries between areas and the carious number of controls within the network.

Calibration

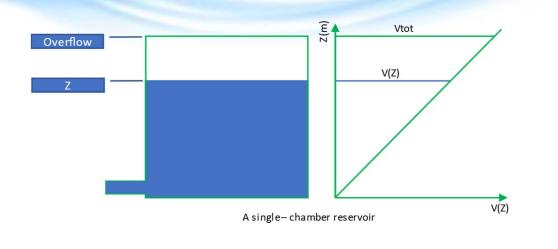
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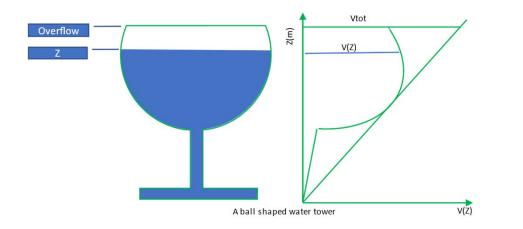
The first stage of the calibration process, requires the predicted model flows to compare with the field test data.

For demand areas with a single input e.g. a DMA with one input meter, the flow must match exactly the 24hour period. For areas with multiple inputs e.g. a DMA with more than one input meter, the balance of the predicted flow and the field test data must match.

Flow calibration tolerances are again set my the model owner before calibration work begins, but it is recommended that 85% of all measured values (including all sources) are within $\pm 5\%$. 95% of all values will be within $\pm 10\%$.







The shape of the storage has to be considered, as this will affect the volume curve.

Calibration

Depth

As always, depth calibration of storage tanks (reservoirs and towers) is specified by the model owner.

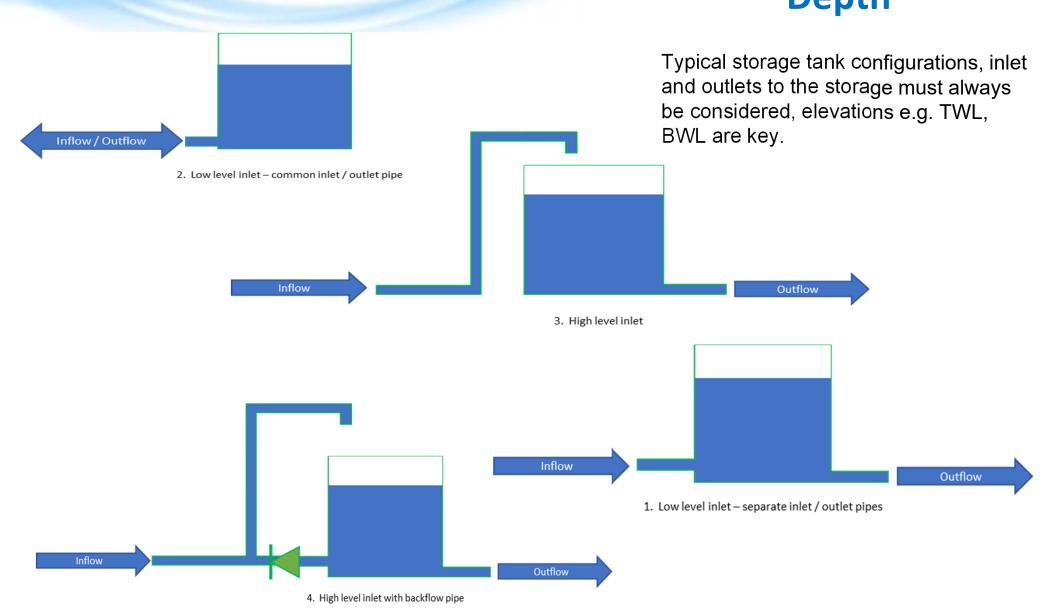
The elevation type of a storage tank needs to be considered, the illustrations provide factors that need to be considered.

Standard or typical tolerances accepted within the water industry of between \pm 0.05 and \pm 0.1 for 85 to 95% of values.

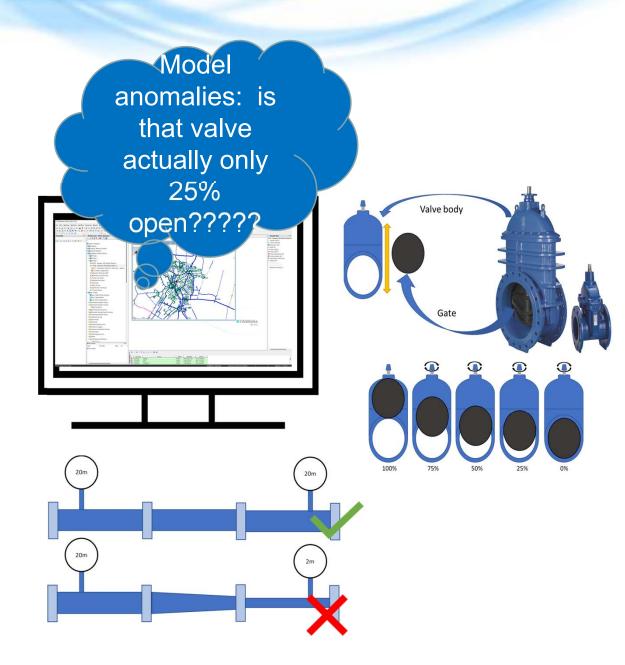
When existing telemetry data is to be used, it is important to ensure that the data is validated and confirmed that 100% full does not equate to top water level of the tank. Best practice means that dedicated calibrated depth logging is carried out.



Calibration Depth







Calibration

Pressure

When calibrating the predicted pressure, a modeller must always consider the impact of modelling suspected modelling anomalies, such as throttled or closed valves. Such changes in the model may not represent the actual network operation.

Known pressures at pumps or PRV's should be set when calibrating the model, but then changed to a dynamic setting in the model in its final version.

Pressure calibration tolerances are specified by the model owners, typical accepted ranges in the water industry are 85% to 100% of monitored points shall be within $\pm 1.0m$ to $\pm 2.0m$. Frictional losses may also need to be considered.

Calibration Model Anomalies



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When building a model anomalies could occur, it is down to the model owner prior to calibration on what actions will need to be taken to over come this problems:

Pipe diameter changes are permitted, but justification needed, which may require site investigation.

Re-allocation of demand or leakage, e.g. 10 hour to 24 hour, justification required.

The addition of **local losses** of loss co-efficient on certain assets.

Plastic **pipe roughness co-efficient** should not be increased beyond normal starting values, but is acceptable with iron material pipes. Asbestos Cement, generally has a low co-efficient, increasing should be limited.

Pipe pressure rating and pipe linings need to be considered on the impact of nominal bore roughness coefficient.

Closed and throttled valves should be configured as expected during calibration, further investigation may be required to confirm.

PRVs and pumps in a model need to be considered when calibrating. **A report** at the end of any model calibration should be produced, any anomalies found during calibration must be included within the report, along with detail of investigation and checks carried out.



• Questionnaire

Y/N or			Cou	nt	Cou	nt				
ID - Text-	Area 💌	Query	Yes	-	No	¥	% Yes	Count Yes	Count No <	% Yes 👻
100 Y/N	Calibration	Do you have specified model run settings?		15	5	2	88	% 16	2	89%
101 Text	Calibration	What?						predominately simila	ar	
102 Y/N	Calibration	Do you have specified flow calibration tolerances		16	5	1	94	% 17	1	94%
103 Text	Calibration	What?						some differences bu	t largely similar	
104 Y/N	Calibration	Do you have specified depth calibration tolerances?		14	1	2	88	% 15	2	88%
105 Text	Calibration	What?						some differences bu	t largely similar	
106 Y/N	Calibration	Do you have specified pressure calibration tolerances?		16	5	1	94	% 17	1	94%
107 Text	Calibration	What?						some differences bu	t largely similar	
108 Y/N	Calibration	Do you specify preference for calibration actions to be used?		12	2	4	75	% 13	4	76%
109 Y/N	Calibration	Do you specify maximum friction values to be used?		5	5	11	31	6	11	. 35%
110 Y/N	Calibration	Do you allow pipe diameter changes?		16	5	0	100	% 17	0	100%
111 Y/N	Calibration	Do you allow re-allocation of demands?		15	5	2	88	% 16	2	89%
112 Y/N	Calibration	Do you allow re-allocation demand categories (e.g. 10 hour to 24 hour)?		14	1	3	82	% 15	3	8 83%
113 Y/N	Calibration	Do you allow re-allocation of leakage?		15	5	2	88	% 16	2	89%
114 Y/N	Calibration	Do you allow additional of local losses of loss co-efficients on certain objects?		15	5	1	94	% 16	1	. 94%
115 Y/N	Calibration	Is there any post calibration anomaly resolution carried out to confirm the calibration actions?		12	2	3	80	% 12	3	80%

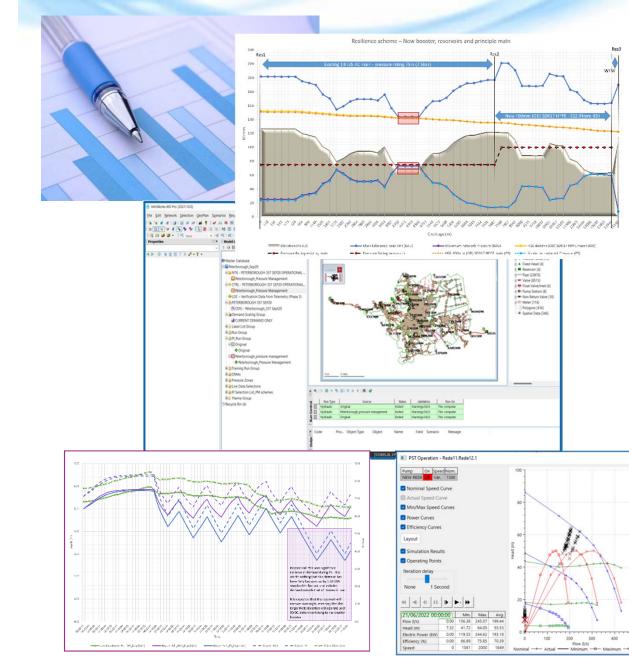


Question

Are there any calibration actions that should never be used?



Calibration



Model Performance

At the point a modeller completes a model calibration, then it can be a good idea, within the final report to include graphical plots of predicted model results compared to live data logged in the field tests. This includes, pressure flow, reservoir depth, PRV's, pumps.

Models are typically calibrated for a 24hr period and should be able to run uninterrupted for an extended period of time.

The final model should become the basis for all other model versions, such as average day, peak day models, considering the dynamic controls between versions.



Question

What types of models could be created?



Question

What else would you like to see included the calibration section?



Thankyou for taking part