

How to reduce water leaks In case of TOKYO

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Overview of Tokyo Waterworks

(2017 FY)

Water Supply Area	1,239.27 km²
Households Supplied	7,550,000
Coverage	100.0 %
Distribution Pipe Total Length	27,125 km
Annual Water Distribution Volume	1,541,705,000 m³
Annual Leak Repairs	7,977
Material of Distribution Pipes	Ductile Cast Iron Pipes
Material of Supply Pipes	Stainless Steel Pipes
The number of Staff	3,824

(Ward Area and 26 cities in the Tama Area)



2/3 circumference of the Earth

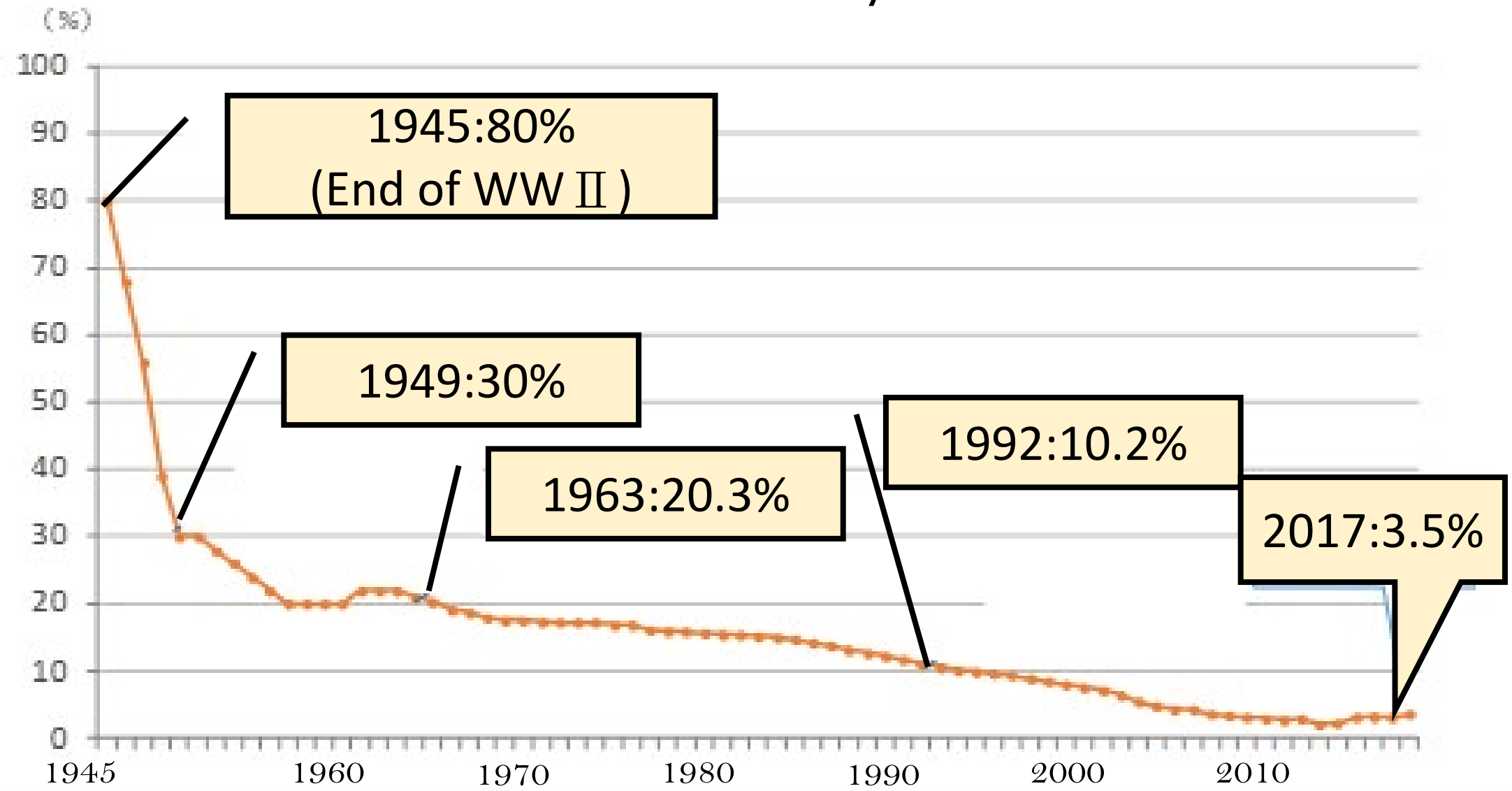
Which is the correct leakage rate in Tokyo?

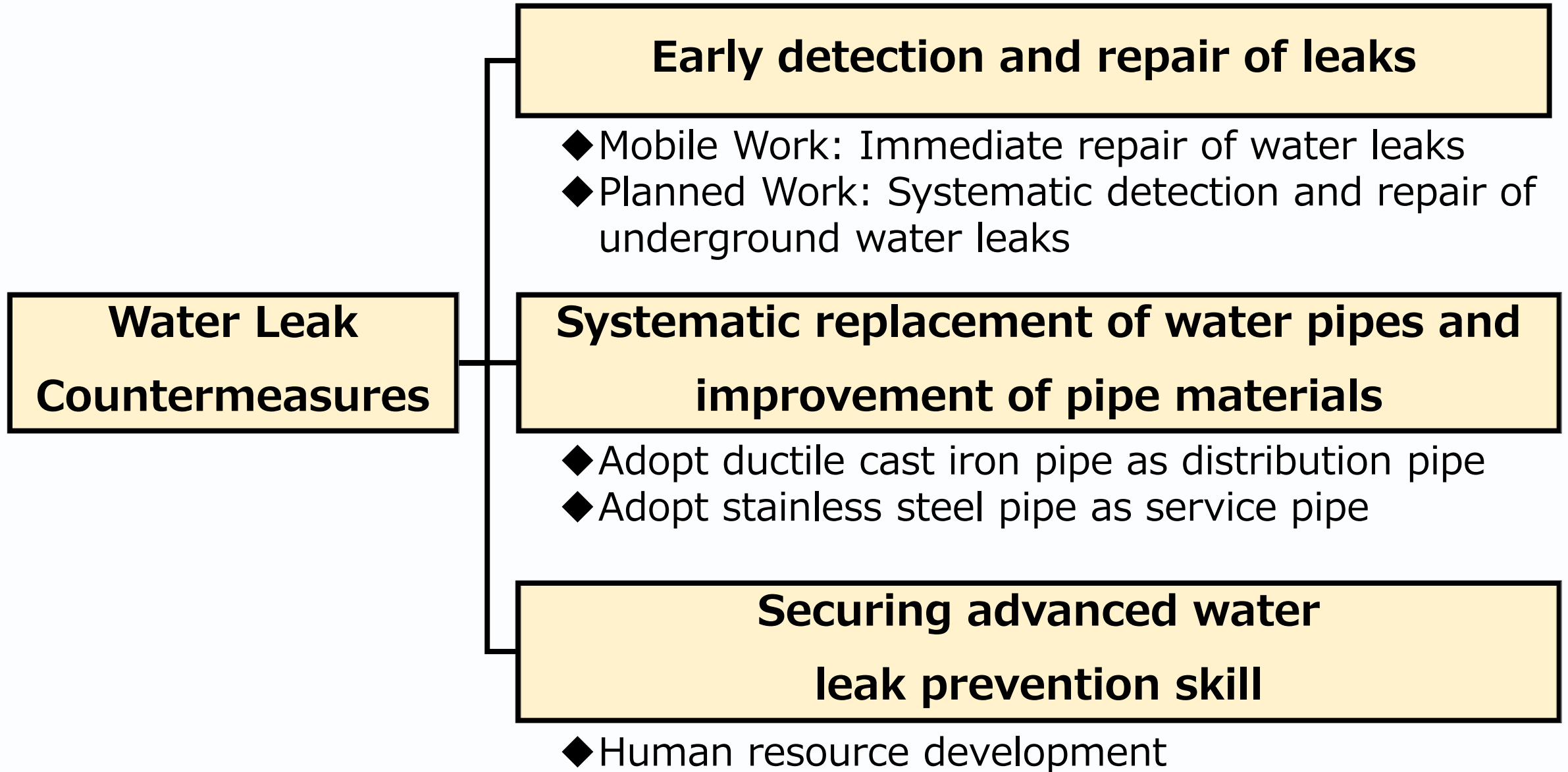
A: 10%

B: 5 %

C: 3 %

Trends in water leaks in Tokyo





Planned Work

- Observation survey works
 - Early detection and repair of underground leaks
- **Survey with acoustic bar**
 - Checking leaks from service pipe with acoustic bar
- **Surveys with electronic detector**
 - Specify the location of leaks from Distribution pipe with electronic detector



▲ Survey with electronic detector

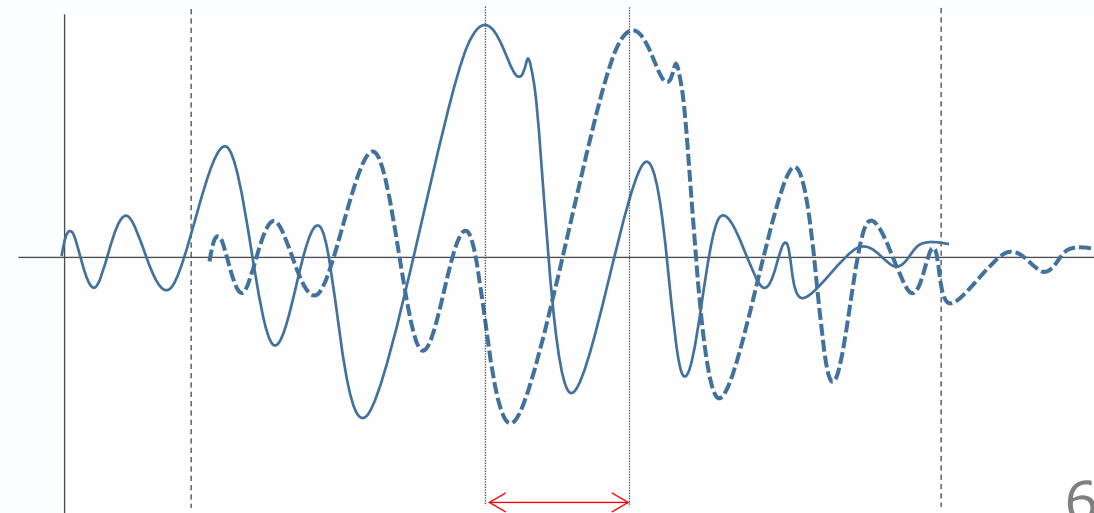
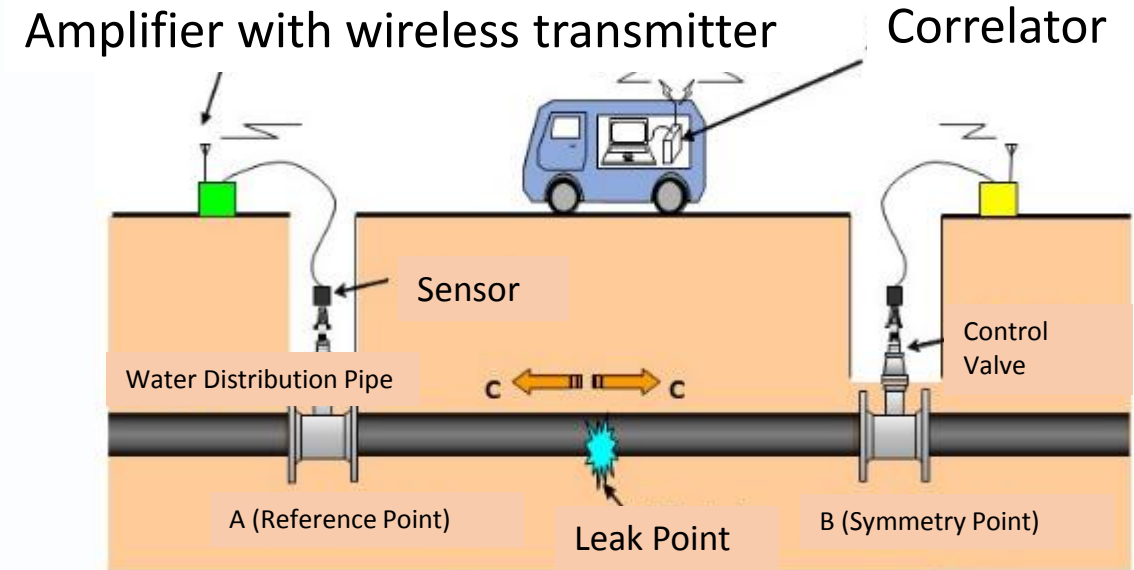
Initiatives : Planned Work

● Correlation Leak Detector

First Adopted: 1984

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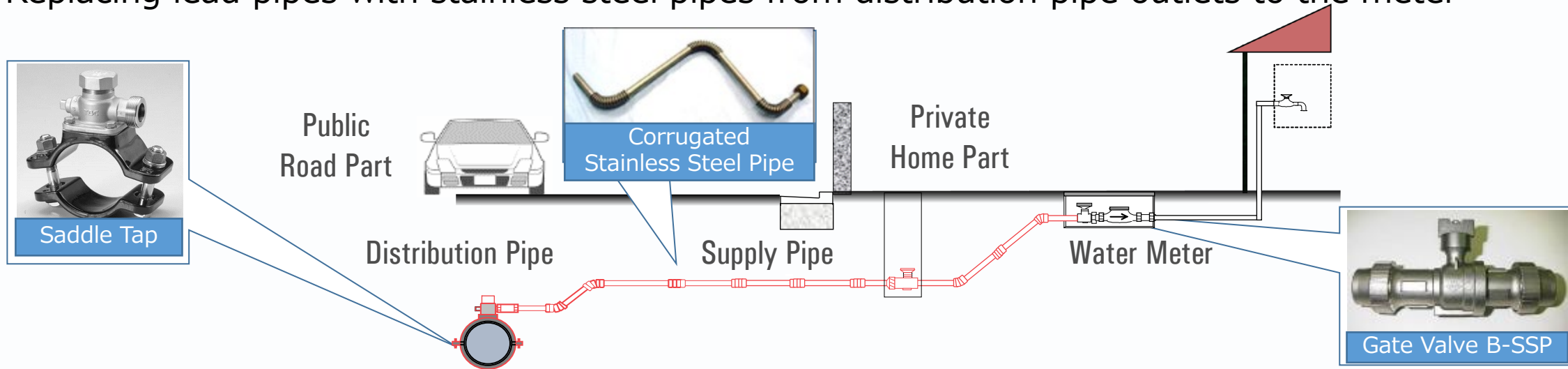
- Identifies the location of a leak by taking time gap to reach 2 points.



Initiatives : Improving Pipe Quality

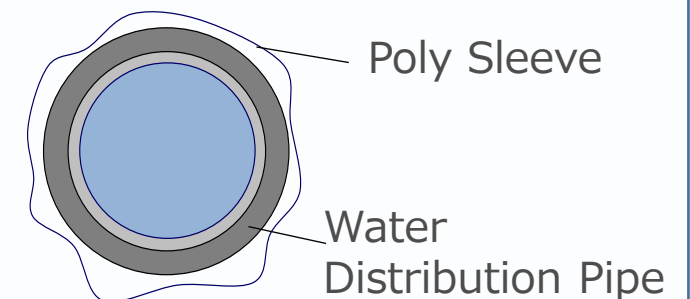
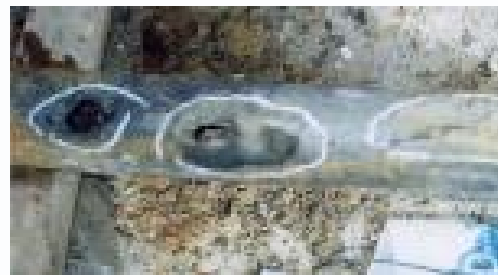
Improving water supply pipe material

Replacing lead pipes with stainless steel pipes from distribution pipe outlets to the meter



Improving water distribution pipe material

Replacing weak cast iron pipes with ductile cast iron pipes, preventing corrosion with poly sleeves



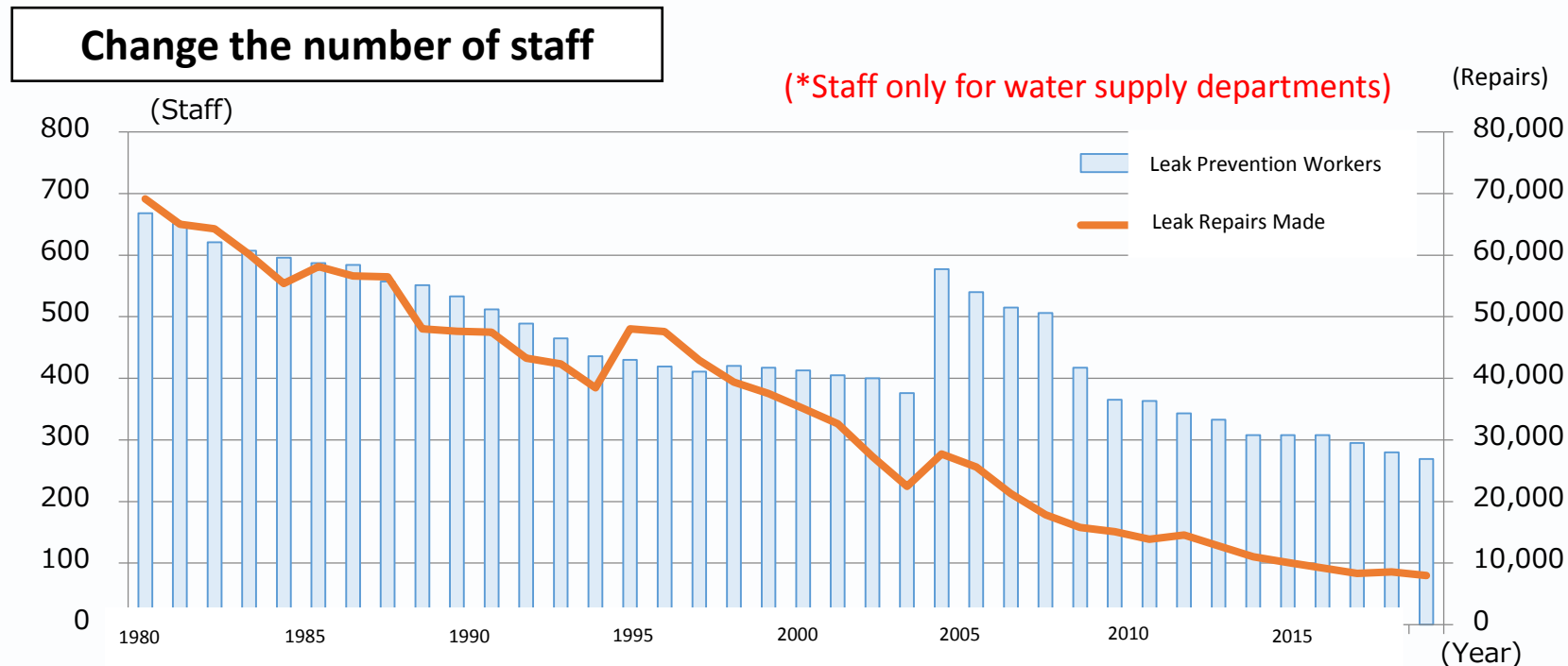
Initiatives : Employee training

● Current Issues

- Maintaining low leak rate
- Number of staff falls with decreasing repairs
- Many experienced staff retire



Train employee and use new and effective water leak methods to take effective and reliable water leak prevention measures



Initiatives : Employee training

● Training and Development Center

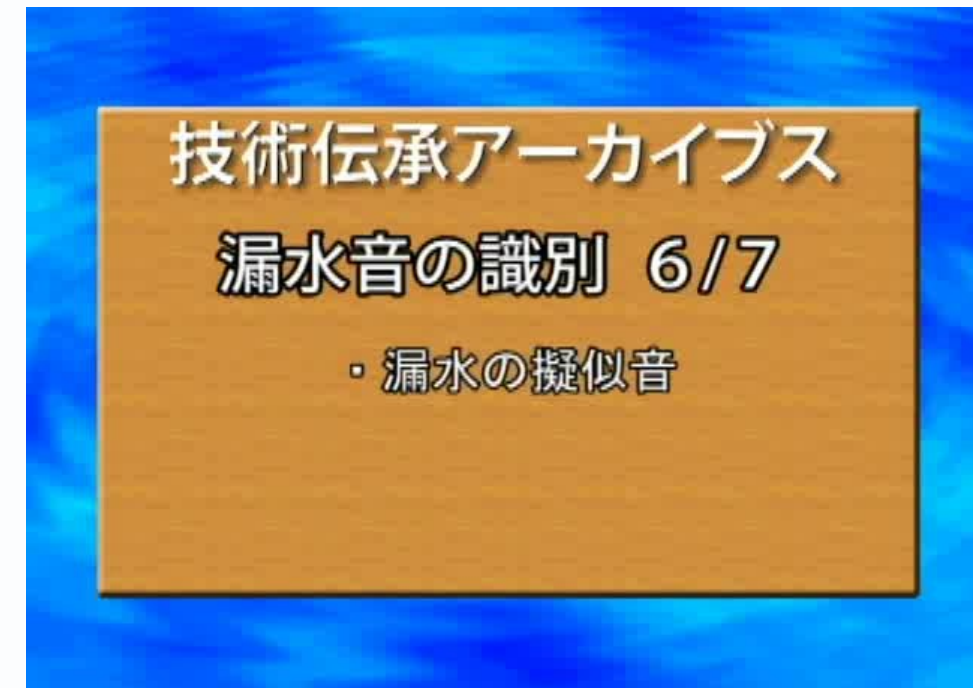
- Works on technology transfer, improving staff capabilities, and developing devices
- Other domestic and overseas engineer staff also use here for training

● Tokyo Waterworks Expert System

- Highly skilled and experienced staff are recognized to promote effective employee training and technology transfer

● Knowledge Bank

- Skills developed in the field are made into videos and uploaded to a shared network
- All staff can view them, and that enables the transfer of knowledge and skills



Leak countermeasures using ICT devices

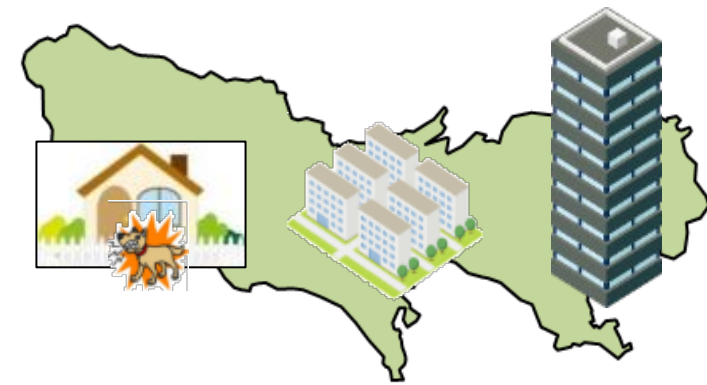
- In addition to the 6,000 unit model project in Harumi area, we have also made a **trial project to introduce smart meters to 100,000 units by 2025**

Harumi 5-chome area Model Project



- In Harumi area, where the Olympic Village will be renovated into housing after the Tokyo 2020 Games, we will implement a smart meter model project in cooperation with TEPCO.

Trial Project

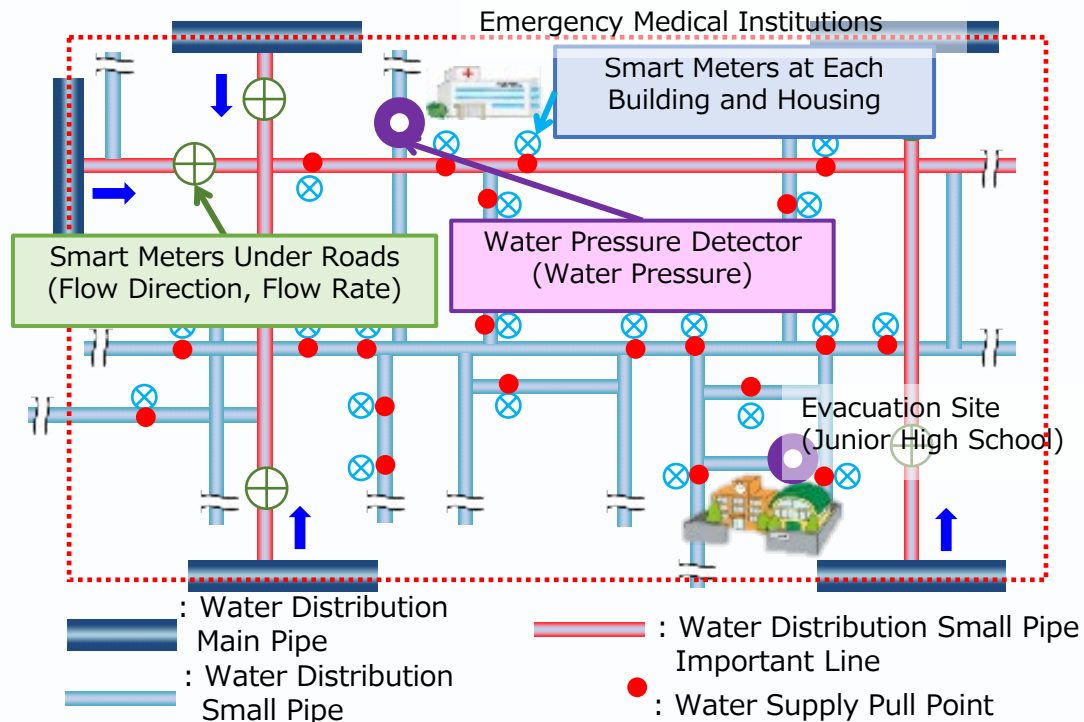


- By 2025, we will introduce 100,000 smart meters in various areas of Tokyo to promote technological development and cost reduction.

Leak countermeasures using ICT devices

- We conducted demonstration experiments using data from smart meters installed in multiple areas -pilot areas- in Tokyo for maintenance and management of pipelines.

Image of demonstration experiment



Purposes

Quantitative understanding of water flow rate, flow direction, and pressure to...

- Efficiently maintain and manage pipelines
- Reduce range of turbid water during accidents
- Accelerate accident response with early detection of water leaks
- Reduce maintenance costs and renewal costs for pipelines

Locations

Set areas where water usage is different

- Core capital areas
- Industrial areas
- Residential areas
- Commercial areas

Use data from smart meters not only for automatic meter reading, but also for bureau projects, in order to refine and streamline, and see from new perspectives to create cost-effective results.

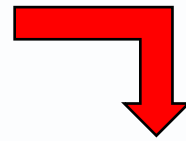
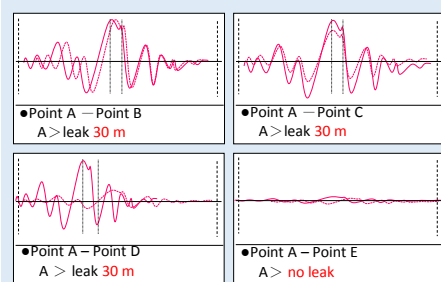
Leak countermeasures using ICT devices

- In order to improve the efficiency of water leak investigation and early detection of pipe abnormalities, we will introduce a water leak investigation method using multipoint correlation water leak detectors.

Stage 1: Collect data in the field for wide range survey of water leaks



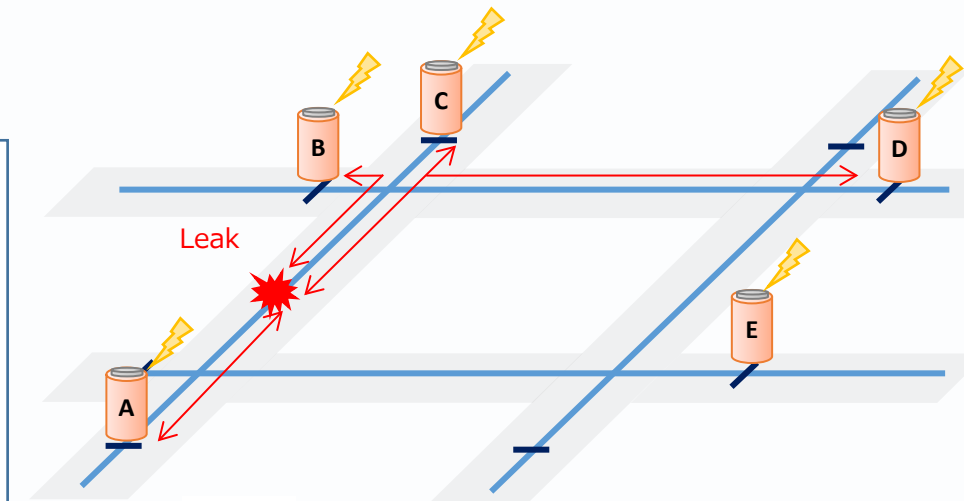
Collect and analyze data in the field



Stage 2: Collect data in the cloud for continuous monitoring of leaks on maps



Base Station /Relay Station



Key

- : Distribution Pipe
- : Control Valve
- : Loga Sensor

Future prospects for water leak reduction

Issues related to the maintenance and management of pipelines

Data acquired through pipeline diagnosis work

- Difficulty of site environment
- Degree of aging of ancillary equipment
- Past accident rate

Data separately controlled

GIS system

- Searching and outputting of various drawings related to pipelines
- Simulation of area that would be affected by water suspension
- Compilation of data on pipeline lengths
- Searching of detailed information including pipe diameters, types and installation years

Not reflected yet

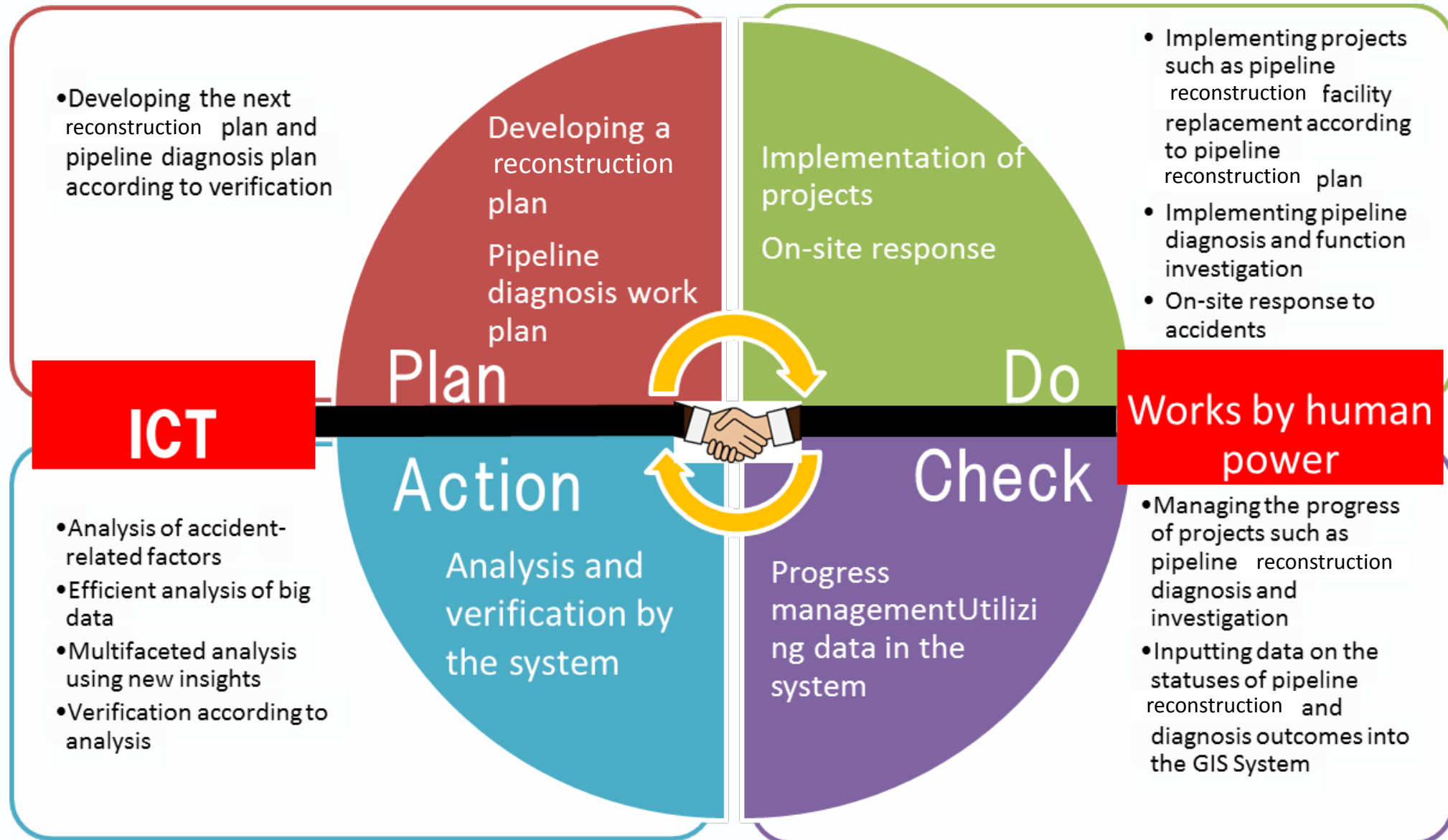
Pipeline reconstruction plan

Pipelines of approximately 5,000km will be made earthquake-resistant in 10 years

2025: Installation rates of earthquake-resistant joints = 61%

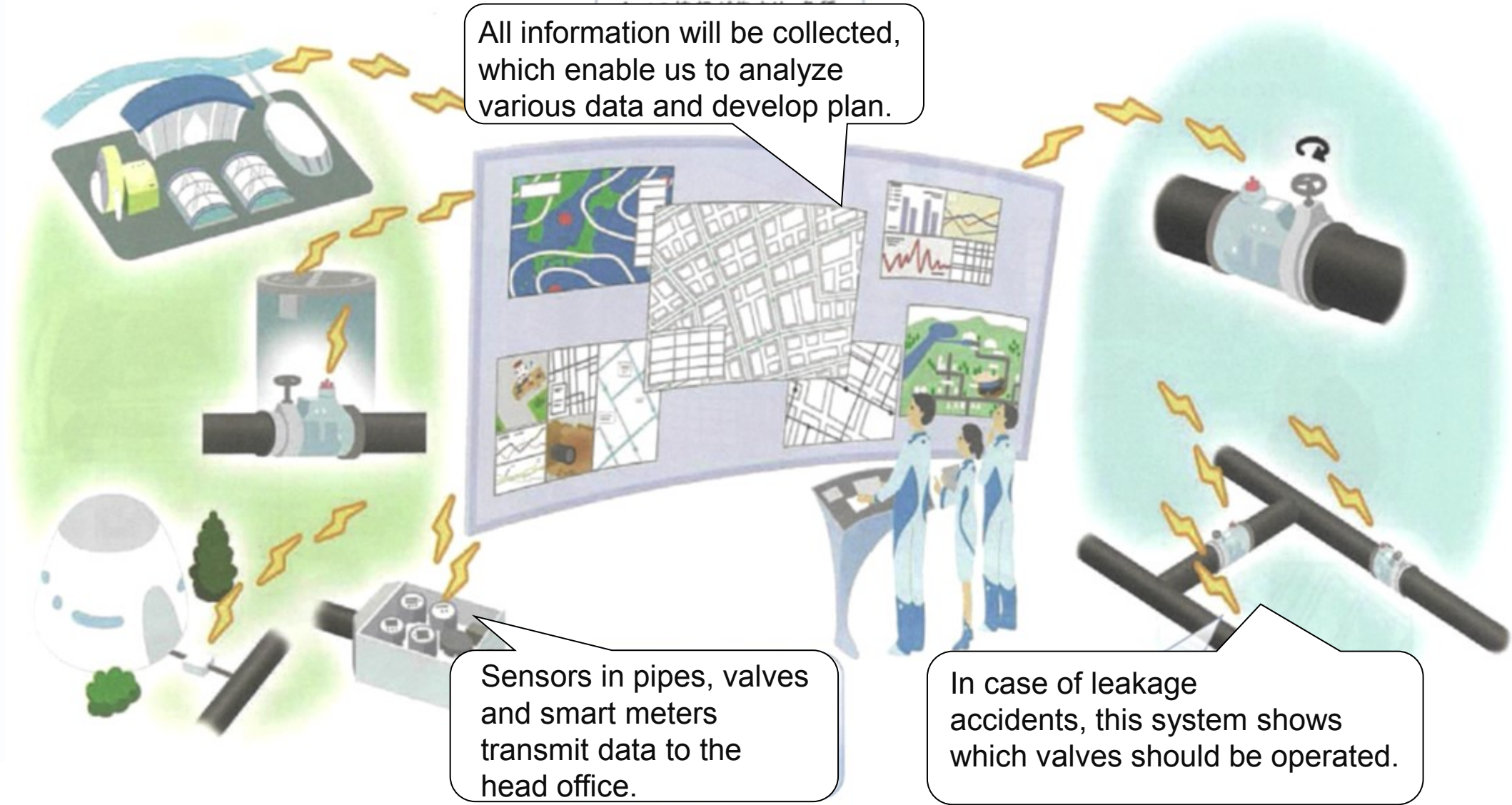
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Future prospects for water leak reduction



Future prospects for water leak reduction

– Information management system for the next generation –



Initiatives For The Olympic And Paralympic Games



	The 32 nd Olympic Games	2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games
Period	July 24 th – August 9 th , 2020	August 25 th – September 6 th , 2020

Just 9 months to go !

Initiatives For The Olympic And Paralympic Games



- Conclusion of “Bureau of Waterworks, Tokyo Metropolitan Government Terrorism Countermeasures Partnership”

- Local residents watch over basic water supply facilities such as water purification plants

- Terrorism Countermeasures

- We conduct counterterrorism drills



- Machining of iron lids

- Changed to a structure that can be opened only with special keys

Initiatives For The Olympic And Paralympic Games



● Investigation of water leaks around stadiums

- Conduct patrol work in the vicinity of event venues
- Conduct night listening survey work on spectator transportation routes

Thank you for listening!



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