

Real-time Flood Overflow Forecasting in Urban Drainage Systems by Using Time-series Multi-stacking of Data Mining Techniques

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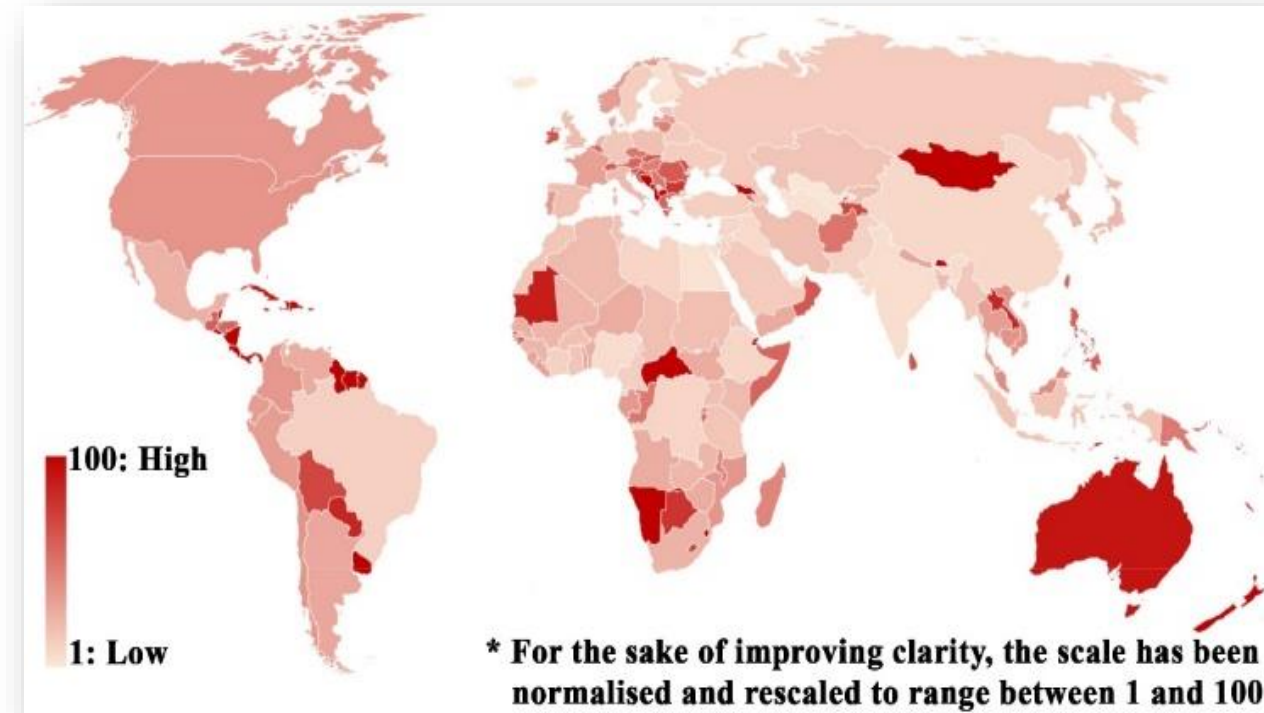
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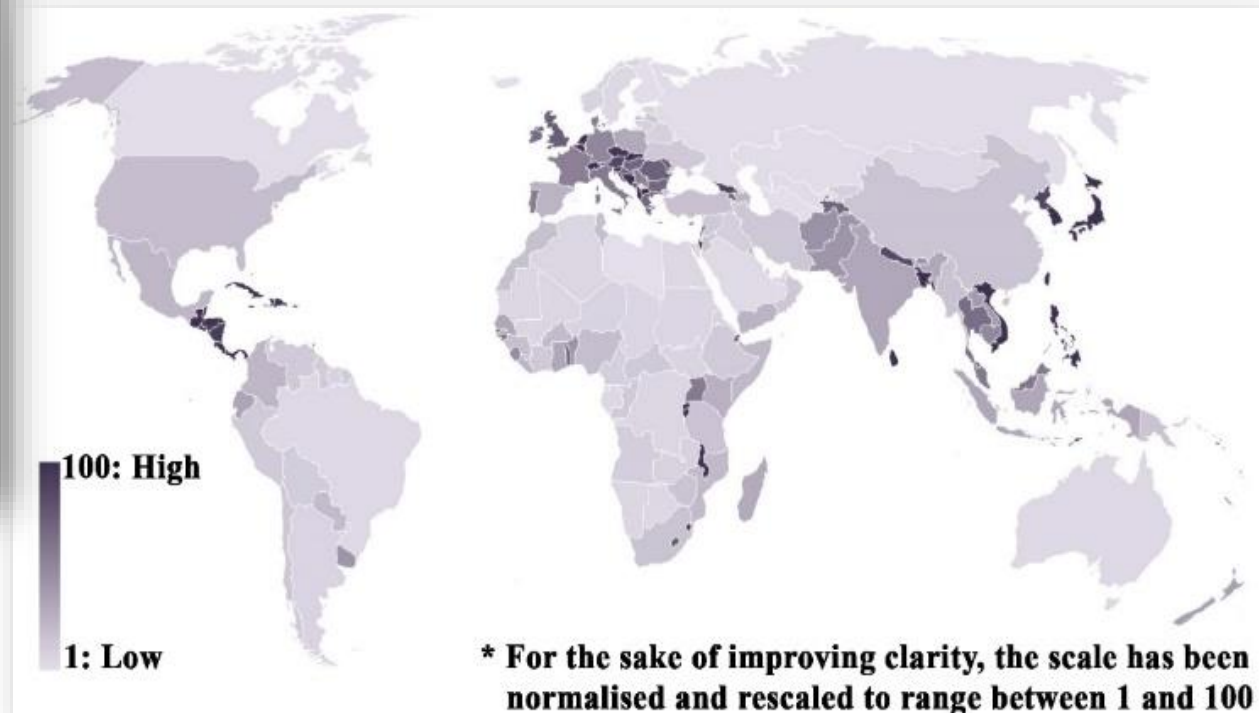
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Urban flood Occurrence



Population-based



Area-based

Gaps & Aims

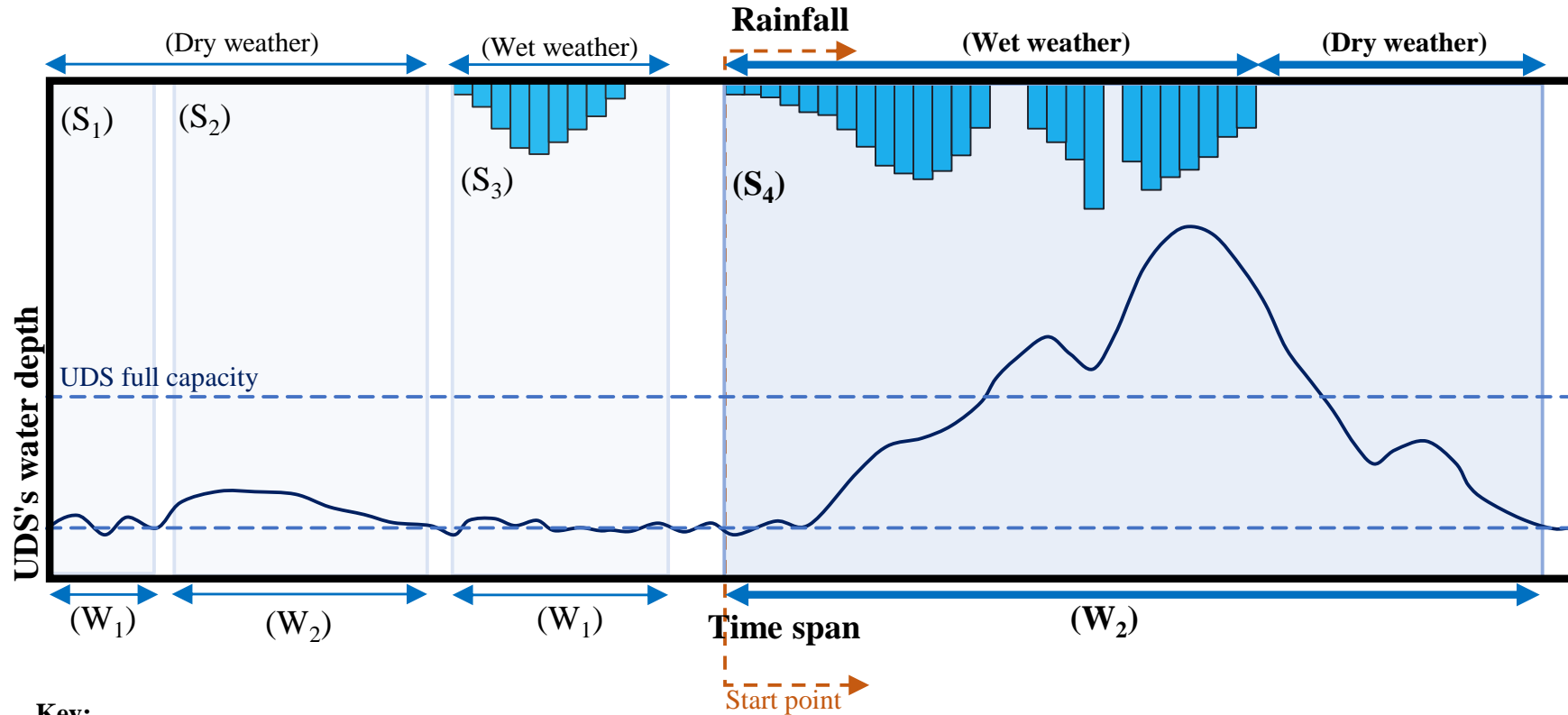
Research gaps for forecasting the water level in Urban Drainage Systems (UDS)

- ❖ **Water Level** forecasting (depth): **Inaccuracy high** for more than **90 min.** ahead
- ❖ **Classification** forecasting (flood or non-flood): **Inaccuracy high** for more than **120 min.**
- ❖ Lack of proper addressing **time-series real-time operation**

Research aim

Novel **multi-stacking** model integrating **different decision tree frameworks** by developing various **weak learner data mining** techniques and associated **model performance** indicators in the process of **time-series blending** of pre-trained stacked ensemble models.

Event Identification Method



Key:

State	Captured data	
	Rainfall intensity	Water depth
(S1): Dry weather, non-flood event	(R ₁): -	(W ₁): -
(S2): Sudden rising flow, non-flood event	(R ₁): -	(W ₂): +
(S3): Ineffective precipitation, non-flood event	(R ₂): +	(W ₁): -
(S4): Flood event	(R ₂): +	(W ₂): +

-: No rainfall, no change for water depth

+: Rainfall, net change (increase or decrease) for water depth

Rainfall feature extraction

Group feature	Extracted rainfall feature	Description	Transformation key	Unit/class
Current rainfall characteristics	Duration	Time period of between the onset and end of the precipitation	Numerical	min
	Depth	Maximum water depth if all rainfall cumulated in saturated impervious surface	Numerical	mm
	Intensity	The ratio of total depth to the duration	Numerical	mm/hr
Antecedent precipitation history	Peak depth	Maximum rainfall intensity	Numerical	mm
	Occurrence	Previous rainfall occurred until maximum previous period equalled to time of concentration	Binary	0:No 1:Yes
	Average intensity	The average rainfall intensity of previous rainfall occurred until maximum previous period equalled to time of concentration	Numerical	mm/hr
Time occurrence	Season	A different class of humid temperate climate	Class	1:Dry 2:Mild 3:Rainy
	Long-term similarity	Average of past 10 years' rainfall intensity for a similar duration of current event	Numerical	mm/hr

Developing base models

- ❖ **Discriminant analysis (DA)**
- ❖ **Decision tree (DT)**
- ❖ **Gaussian process regression (GPR)**
- ❖ **K-nearest neighbourhood (KNN)**
- ❖ **Naive bayes (NB)**
- ❖ **Supervised vector machine (SVM)**

Developing base models

Table 2. Selected key performance indicators used for performance assessment of WLDMs

Code	Description	Formula
TPR	Model sensitivity in recalling actual flood condition, i.e., accuracy of flood class	$\frac{TP}{TP+FN} \times 100$
TNR	Model specificity in selecting actual non-flood condition, i.e., accuracy of non-flood class	$\frac{TN}{TN+FP} \times 100$
ACC	Probability in that the model forecasting is correct, i.e., interested in forecasting the right classes without caring about the type of the class or class distribution	$\frac{TP+TN}{n} \times 100$
MCC	Highlighting correlation and agreement between observed and predicted classes	$\frac{TP \times TN - FP \times FN}{\sqrt{(TP+FP) \times (TP+FN) \times (TN+FP) \times (TN+FN)}}$
DP	Determining the likelihood of correct flood and non-flood conditions	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\pi} \times \left[\log\left(\frac{TPR}{1-TNR}\right) + \log\left(\frac{TNR}{1-TPR}\right) \right]$
F ₁ score	Revealing the best trade-off between overflow and not-flood forecasting by interpretation as a weighted average between PPV and TPR	$\frac{2 \times TPR \times PPV}{TPR + PPV}$
CKR	Measuring the concordance between ACC, TPR, and TNR	$\frac{ACC - [TPR \times (1-TPR) + TNR \times (1-TNR)]}{1 - [TPR \times (1-TPR) + TNR \times (1-TNR)]}$

ACC: ACCuracy of true classification
MCC: Matthews Correlation Coefficient

CKR: Cohen's Kappa Rate
PPV: Positive Predictive Value

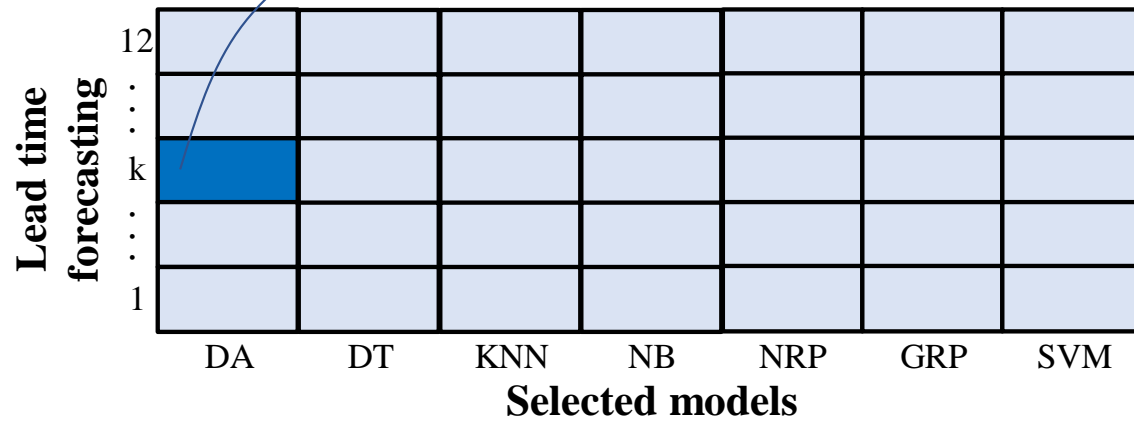
DP: Discriminant Power
TNR: True Negative Rate

F₁-score: Harmonic mean
TPR: Total Positive Rate

Data warehouse

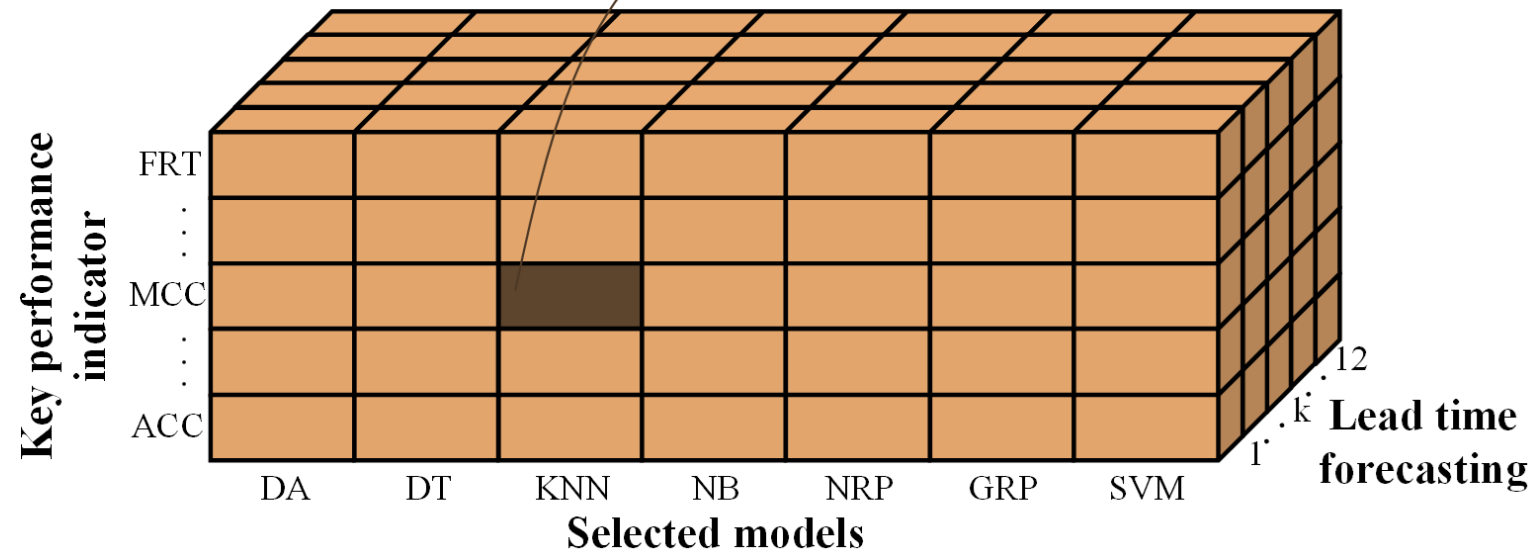
Library of developed WLDM models

Piece of code containing DA model trained for forecasting of k timestep ahead



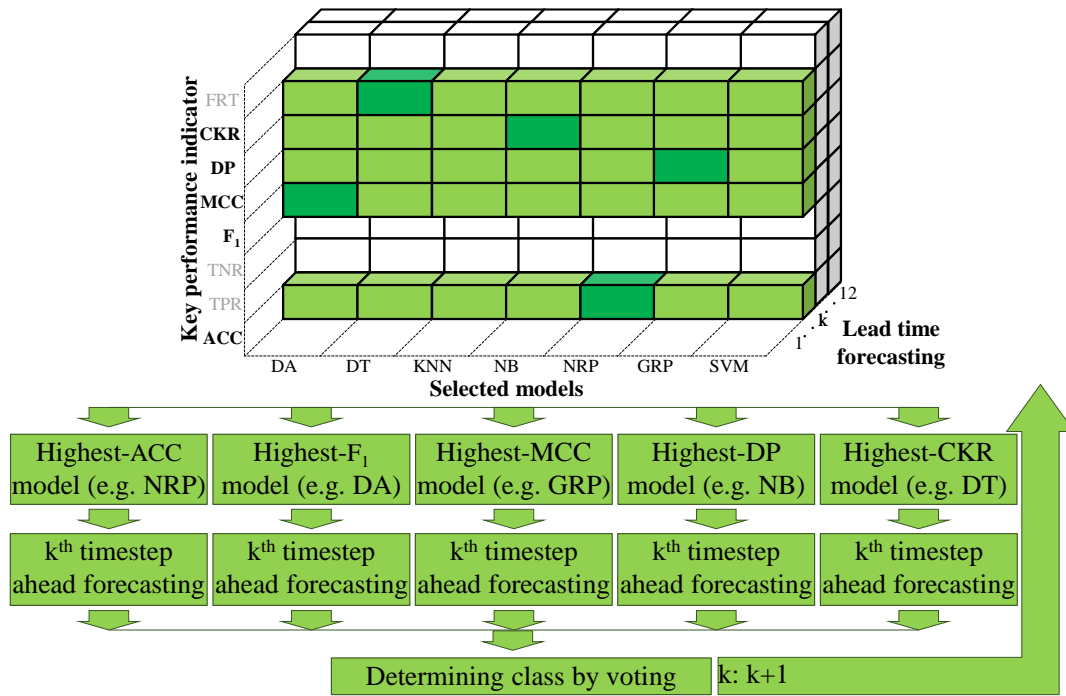
Structure of performance data cube

MCC value of developed KNN model trained for 1 timestep ahead overflowing forecasting

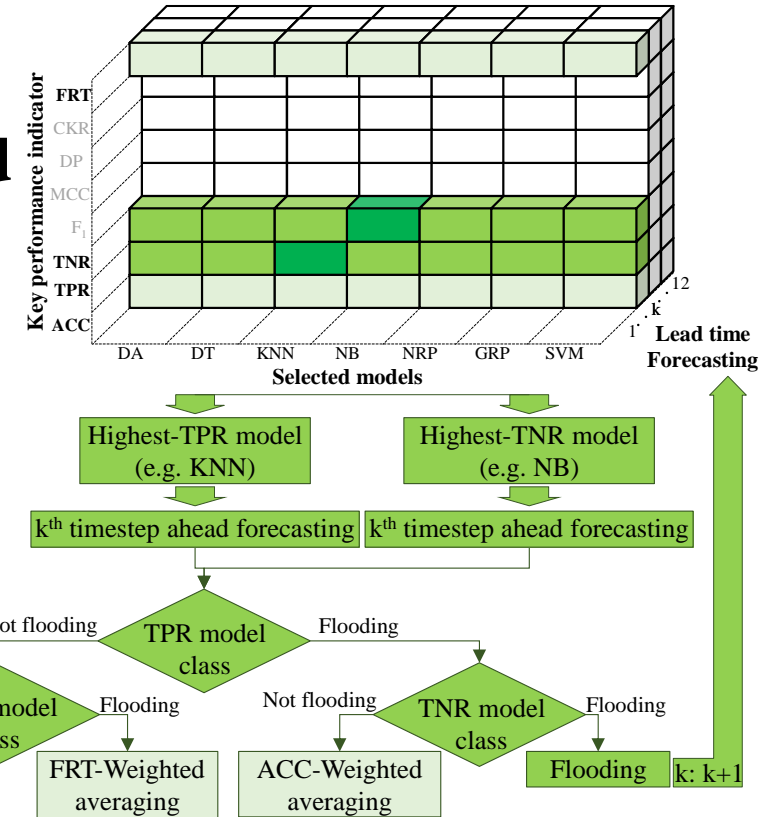


Developing multi-staked ensemble models

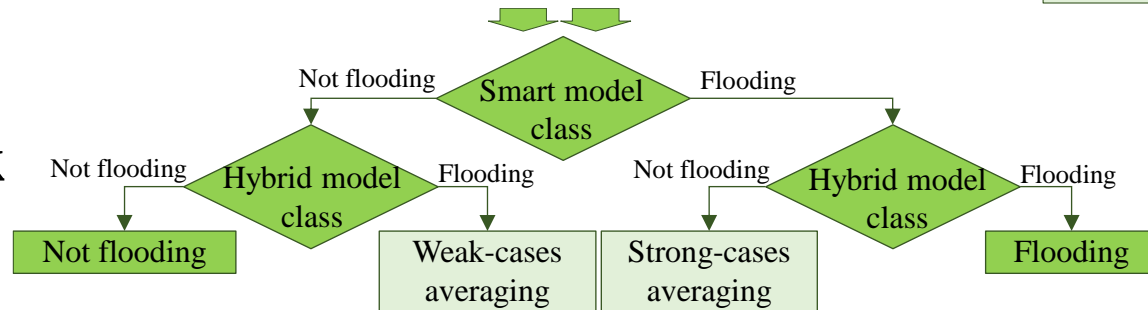
Hybrid staked model



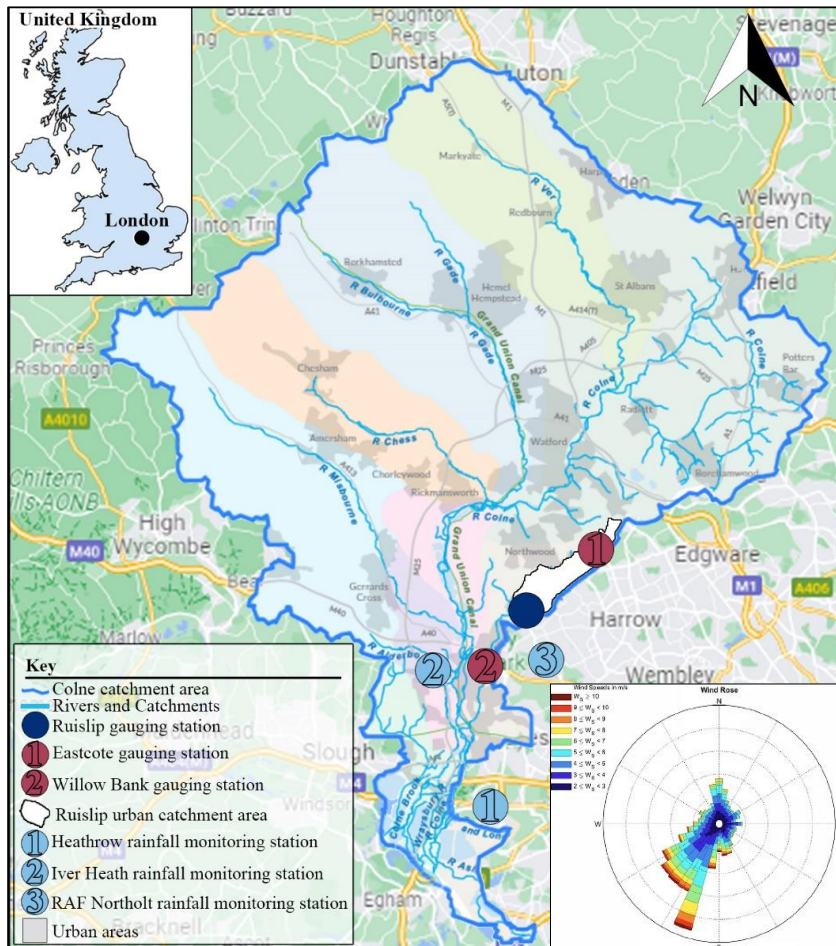
Smart staked model



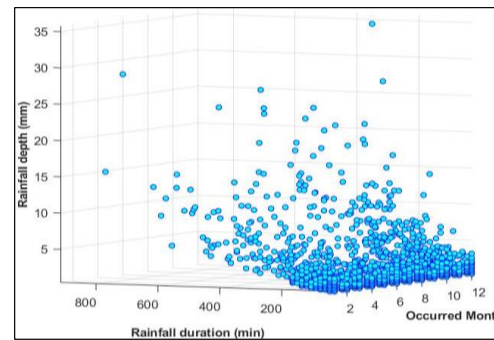
Decision framework for multi-staking



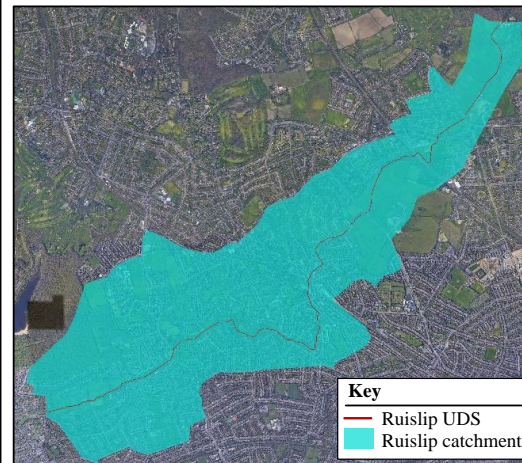
Case study description



(a)



(b)



(c)

Benchmark methods

TPR –based

Voting-based

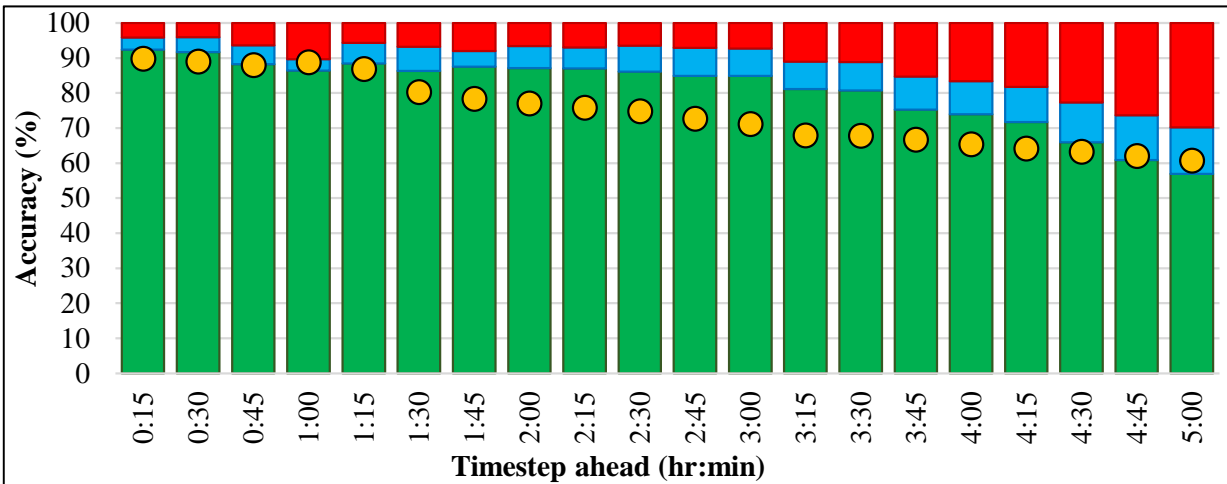
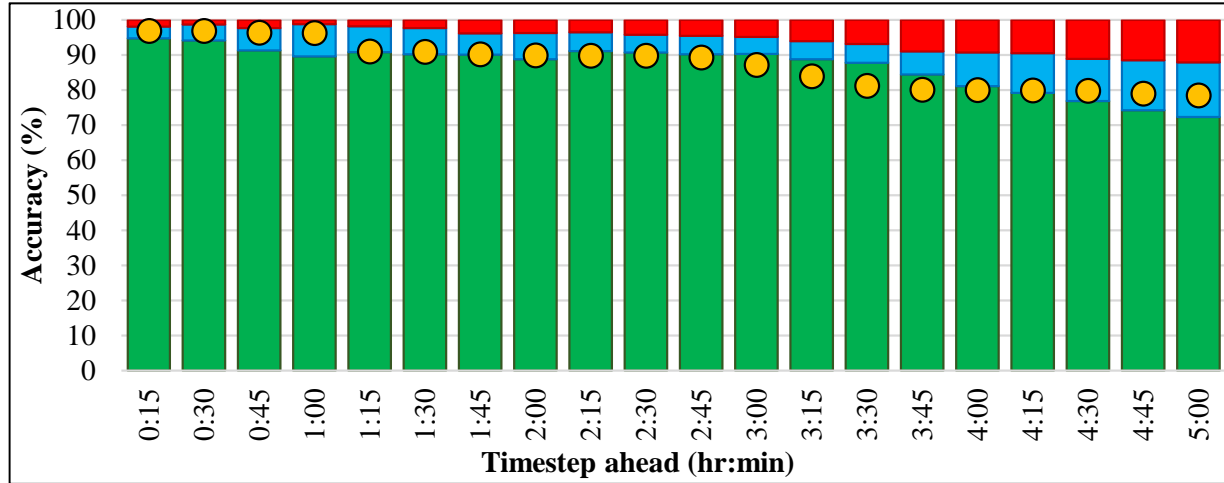
Bayesian weighting-based

Hybrid model

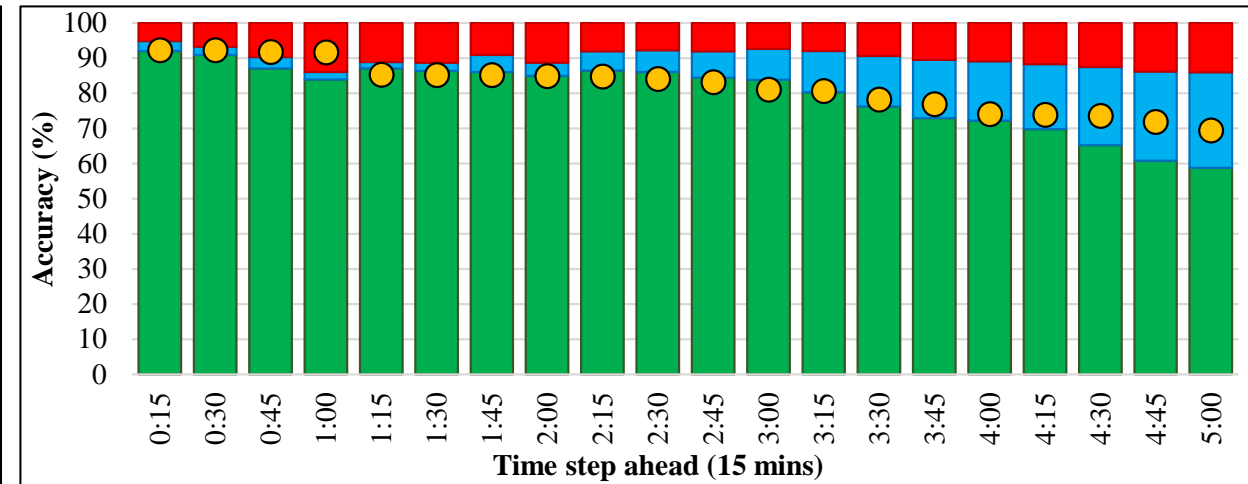
Smart model

Geographical map and hydrological data of the pilot study: (a) location of stations and layout of catchment, (b) Characteristics of recorded rainfalls and (c) layout of Ruislip UDS and catchment

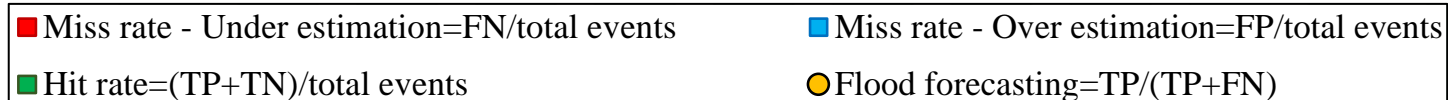
Proposed Model



Hybrid Model



Smart Model



Conclusions

***Comparison to best performed model in 5 hrs. ahead**

01 Multi-step performance

2% improvement in miss rate

14% hit rate enhancement

02 Flood detection performance

13.5% improvement in flood detection accuracy

03 Future works

Integrating proposed categorised type model with numeral type water level forecasting in the concept of real-time early flood warning systems

Thanks for your attention!

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Q&A?

