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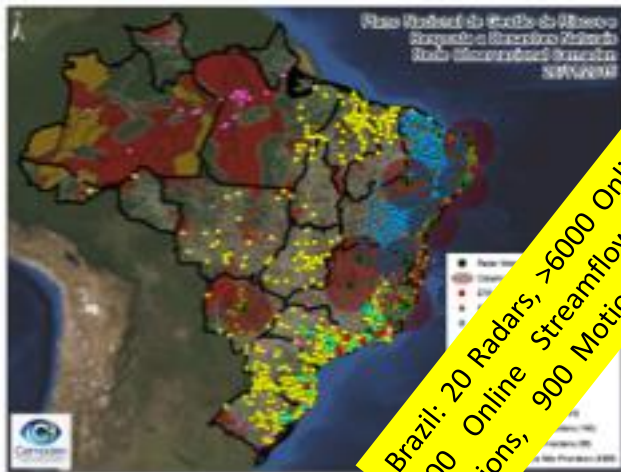
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Brazil: 20 Radars, >6000 Online Rainfall Stations;
600 Online Streamflow Stations; 10* Robotic
Stations, 900 Motion Sensors, 685 Soil Moisture
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Bridging the gap between decision-making and emerging big data sources: An application of a model-based framework to disaster management in Brazil



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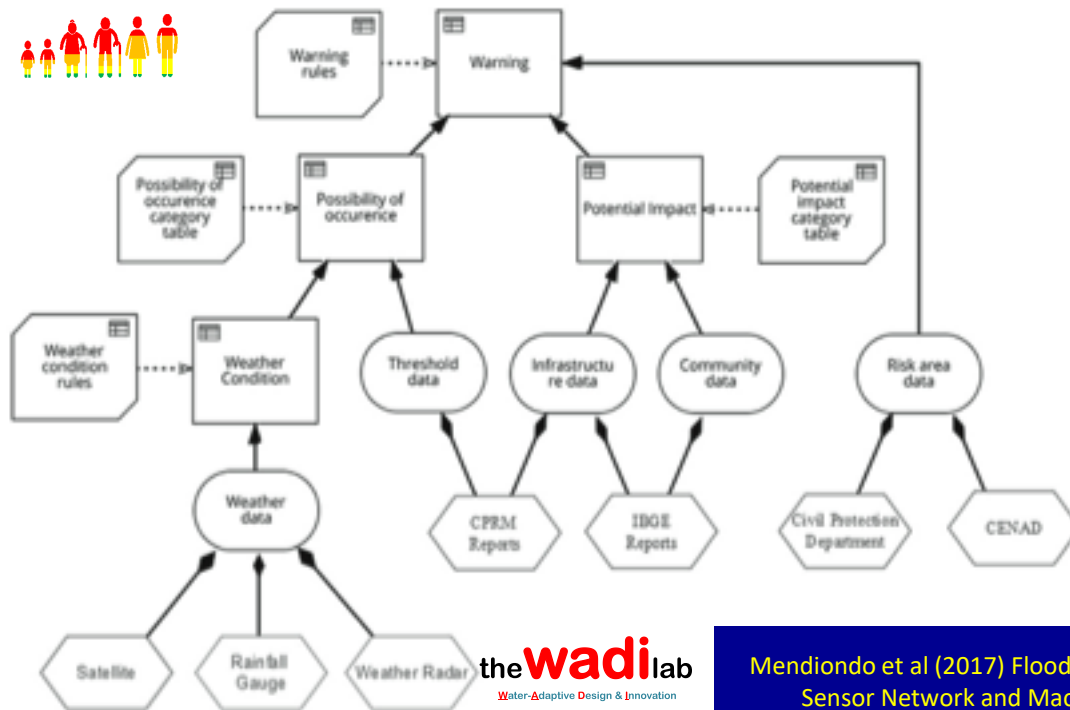


Fig. 6. Decision of opening a warning.

Poor gauged basins without monitoring in flood disasters

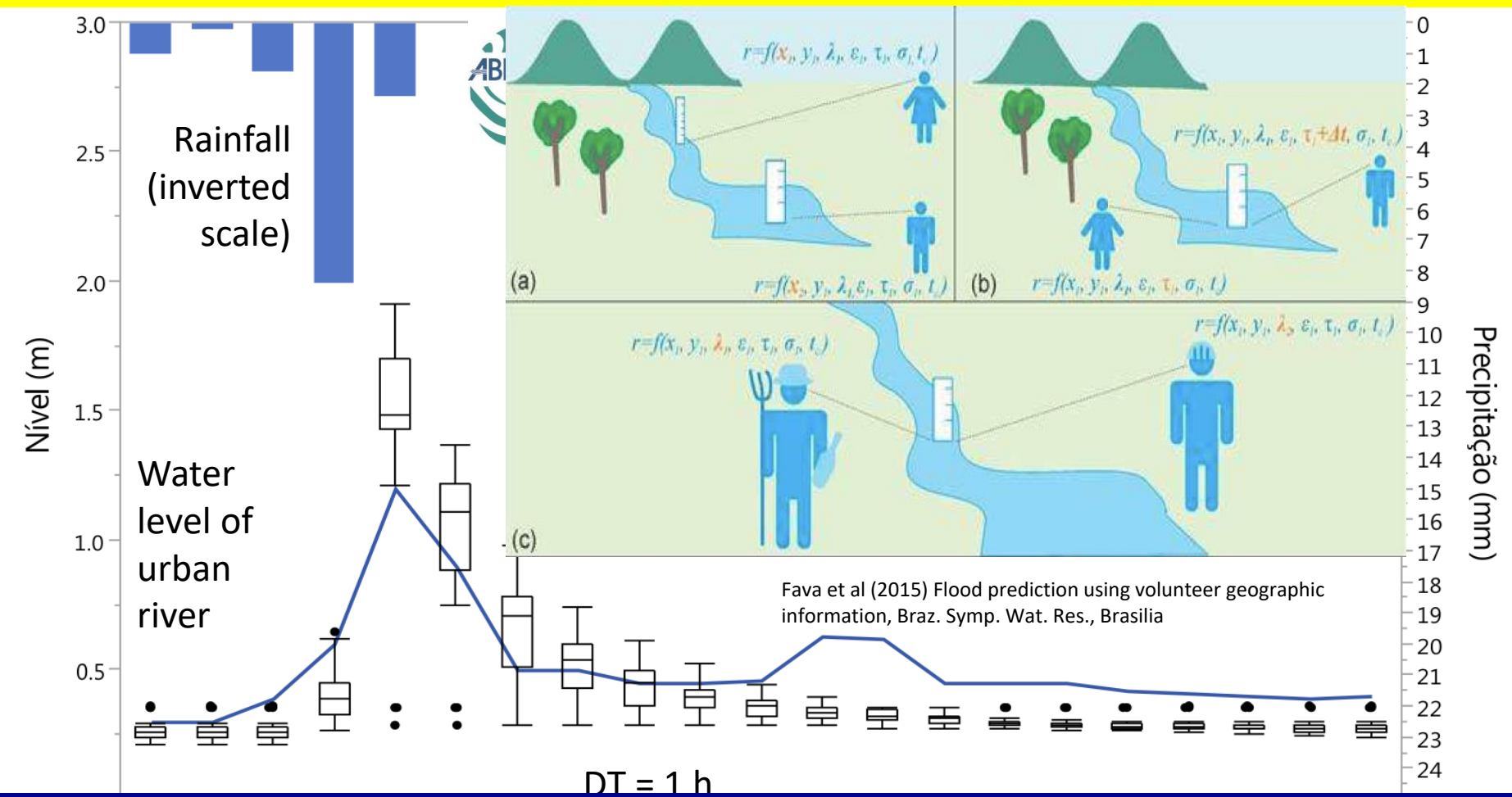
Brazil: 40,000 risk prone areas affected by ungauged catchments.

Low-cost technologies help real time early warning and alert issuing for flood prone areas:

- social media (SM),
- citizen observatories(CO),
- wireless sensor networks (WSN)
- machine learning (ML) methods

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The WADI Lab Social Media, Citizen Observatory, Wireless Sensor Network and Machine Learning
CAPES ProAlertas USP-CEMADEN: USING VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR FLOOD AWARENESS AND FORECASTING. The picture outlines a timeline comparison (1-hour interval) of observed (blue line) and estimated water levels (box-plots with uncertainty) from regression-based volunteer information systems. Source: Fava et al (2015). Next steps: **SHOWS (Socio-Hydrology Observatory for Water Security)**



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The WADI's problem-oriented Solutions Using Citizen Engagement, Machine Learning, IoT, Chaos Theory + Hydrological Monitoring/Modeling

Next Step:
Socio-
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Fig. 1. Positioning of the sensors (yellow points), base station (light blue point) and router (red point) at São Carlos, SP, Brazil.



Fig. 4. Classes to forecast.

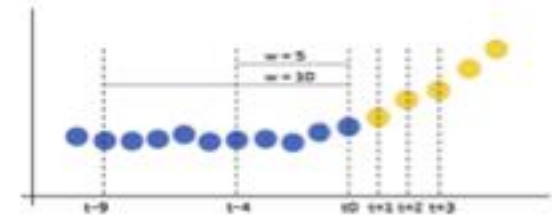


Fig. 5. Examples of the river water level time series with the window used as input for the ML techniques. Forthcoming values are calculated by sliding the window. t_0 represents the current time; t_{+1} , t_{+2} and t_{+3} are the stages in the forecasting; t_{-4} and t_{-5} shows the window size used as input for the machine learning technique.



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Research paper

Geo-social media as a proxy for hydrometeorological data for streamflow estimation and to improve flood monitoring

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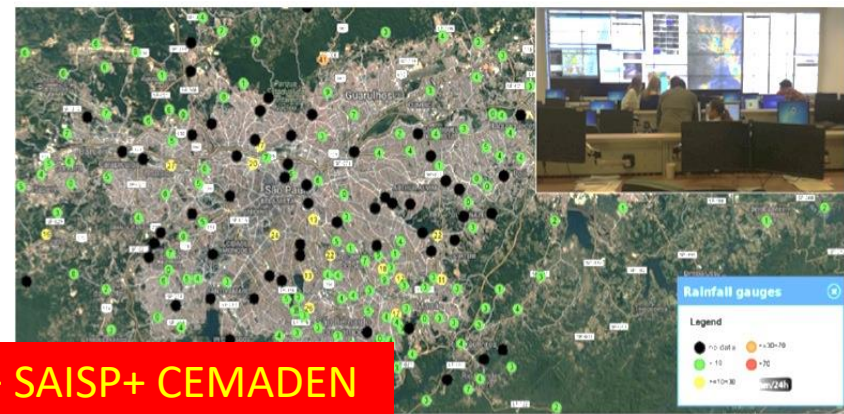


Fig. 5. Problems with authoritative data, February 2nd, 2017.

Virtual Rainfall Stations derived by Twitter® strenghtened flood risk forecasting in Sao Paulo catchments,

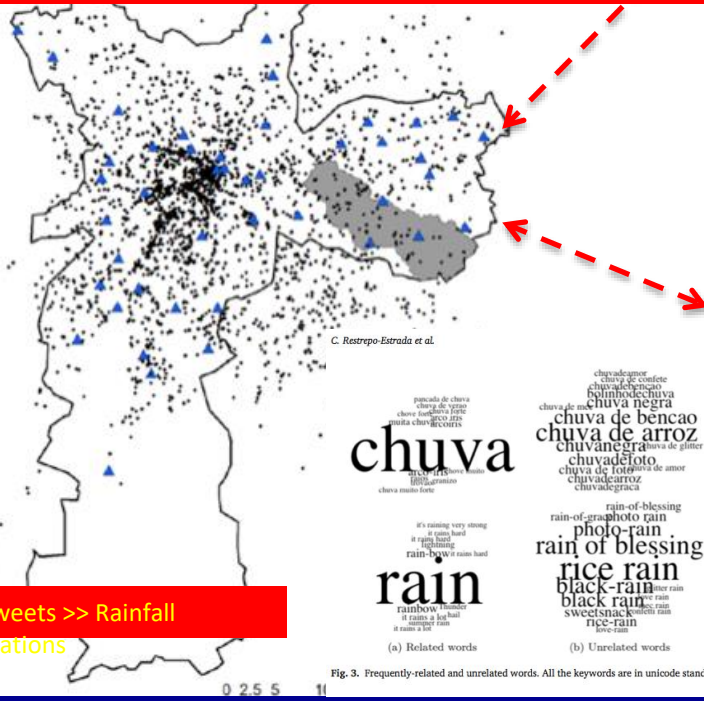
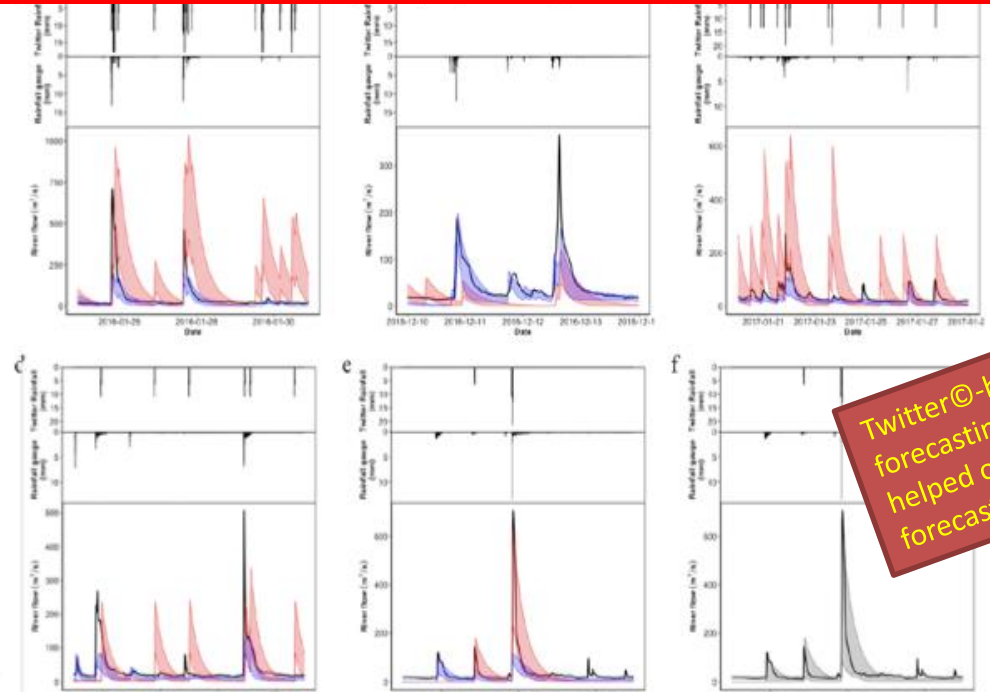


Fig. 3. Frequently-related and unrelated words. All the keywords are in unicode standard.



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Subtropical Urban Flood (Drainage Area=77km²)

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