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WaterNajia: Probabilistic water safety assessments

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Abstract

Will a browser-based Bayesian risk engine give probabilistic water safety assessments calibrated to regional bacteria prevalence (for low-resource settings)? We built WaterNajia as a 1,784-line single-file application implementing logit-scale risk scoring. It uses Monte Carlo simulation across 15 environmental and infrastructure risk factors for six water source types.

The engine utilises exponential decay modelling for time-since-contamination events, factor-group exclusivity logic, and region-specific bacteria prevalence priors derived from WHO and UNICEF surveillance data. For the full risk stack scenario with piped water, the posterior contamination probability was 0.92 (95% credible interval 0.87 to 0.96). This used 200 Monte Carlo samples with seed-deterministic XorShift128Plus pseudorandom generation.

A parallel Rust and WebAssembly implementation achieved bit-exact agreement with the JavaScript reference across all five golden test vectors. Real-time probabilistic water safety scoring could then support field-level decision-making in humanitarian and public health contexts. The risk model relies on aggregate regional prevalence data.

It cannot capture hyperlocal contamination sources or seasonal variation. Github link below <https://github.com/Najia-Ahmad/Water-Safety-Risk-Engine>

Interactive dashboard figures

The figures in this section are rendered directly from this paper's interactive dashboard — the same visualisations a reader sees when exploring the analysis online, where the full workflow can be reproduced first-hand. **Interactive dashboard:** <https://mahmood726-cyber.github.io/waternajia/>



Figure 1. Rain/Flood Effect Decay Rendered directly from the article's live interactive dashboard.

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