

Time Series Analytics for Electricity Consumption Data

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Background: Efficient Energy Management

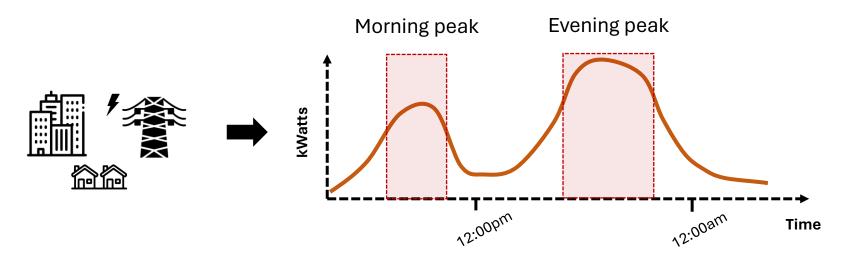
Energy savings is crucial to fight against climate change

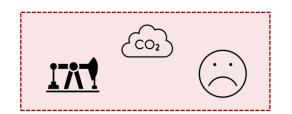


In the European Union (EU), individual households represented 26% of final energy consumption



Electricity accounted for a quarter of total households energy consumption

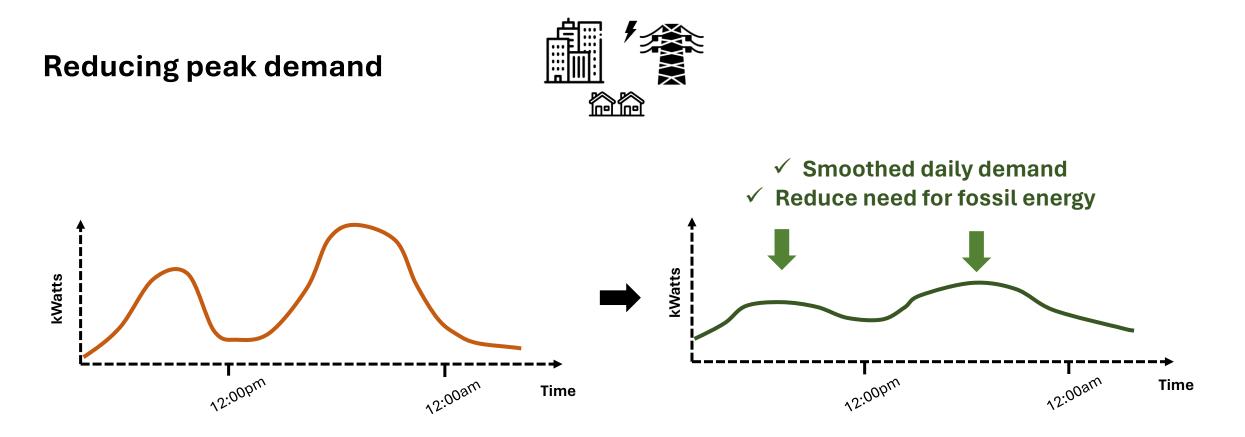




Use of **fossil energy** (oil, coal) to produce electricity to **absorb the peaks in demand**

Typical daily electricity grid demand (load curve)

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Electricity suppliers need to play an active role in this process

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How to convince clients to change their consumption behavior?

By offering personalized contracts



50% discount to charge your electric vehicle by night



50% discount to reduce your heater usage during peak hours



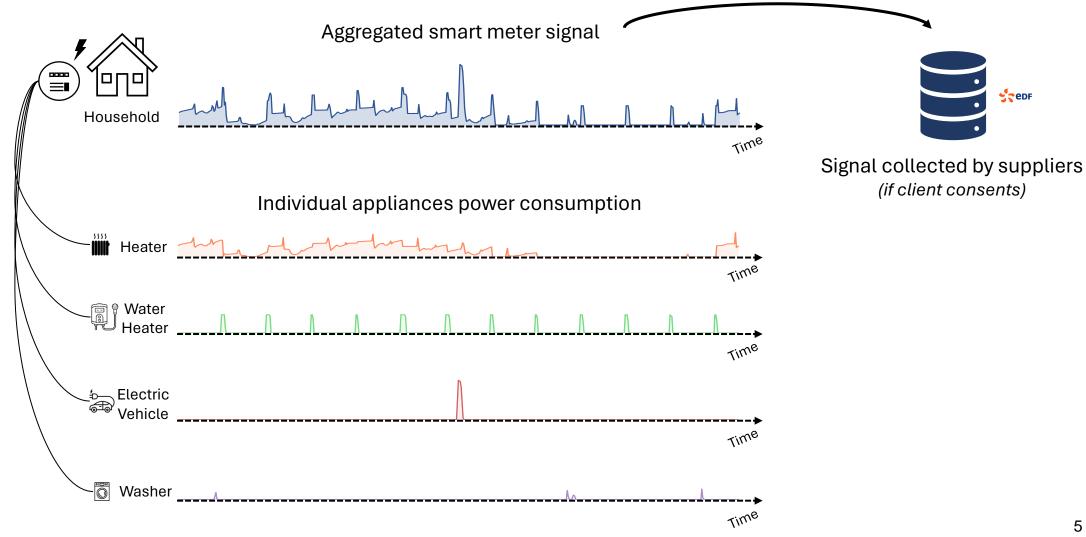
By providing detailed feedback about their consumption



How much does your heater cost you per month?

Background: Smart Meters Deployment

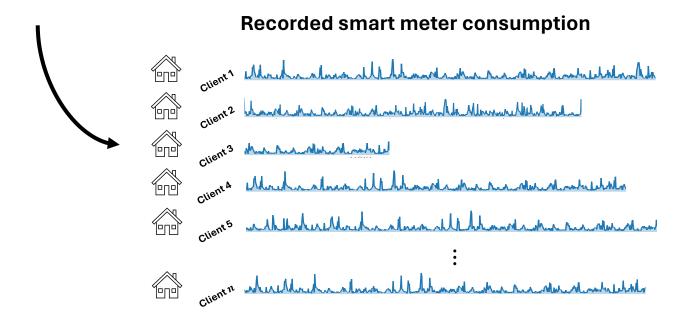
Millions of Smart Meters deployed in individual households



Challenges

These data are store in large electricity consumption databases





Characteristics

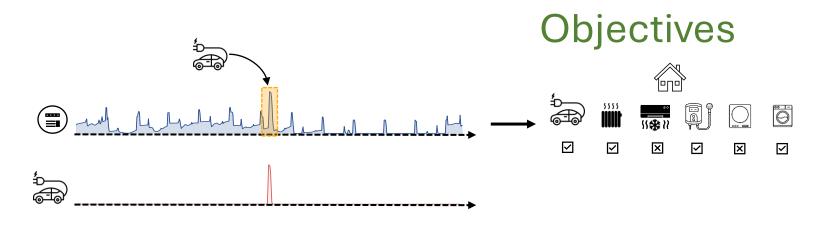
Which appliances are present in the house?

How the client use them?

What proportion of consumption does each appliance account for?

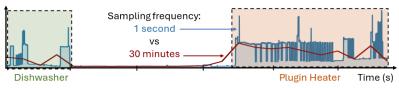
Challenges

Can we propose **trageted** and **scalable approaches** for **electricity consumption time series analytics**?

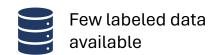


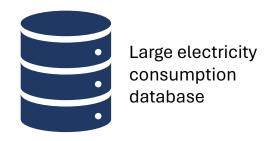
- 1. **Detect** appliances present in the house
- 2. Localize appliance's activation time
- 3. Estimate appliance's consumption

Challenges



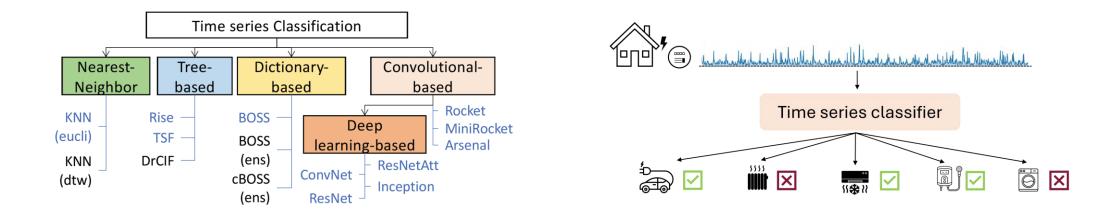
Smoothed signal due to smart meter **very low frequency**





Proposed solution: Appliance Detection as TSC

Appliance detection as a binary Time Series Classification (TSC) problem



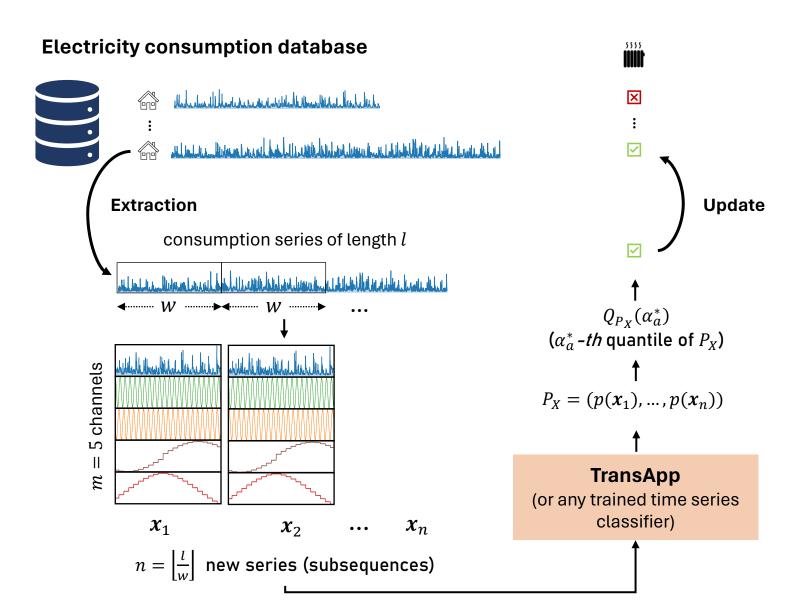
Deep learning-based approaches are the **most accurate** and **scalable** to **large dataset** of **long-time series** (i.e. Convolutional-based as Arsenal, ResNet, InceptionTime) [Petralia et al. 2023]

However, reported accuracies are still rather low for real-world applications...

Proposed solution: ADF&TransApp

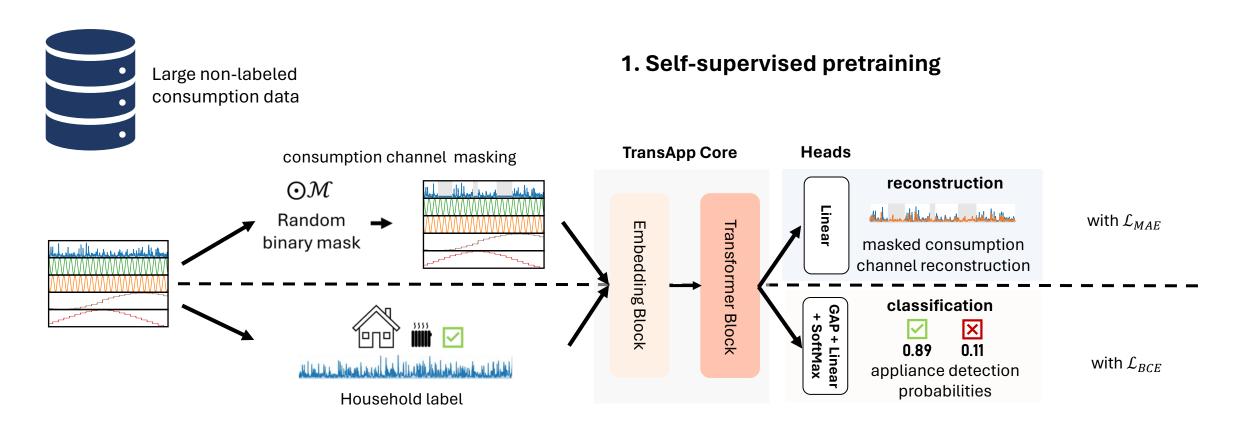
The Appliance Detection Framework: enhances classifiers' performance on appliance detection tasks

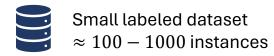
An 'ensemble approach' for appliance detection designed for long and variable length consumption series



Proposed solution: ADF&TransApp

TransApp: a pre-train deep-learning time series classifier

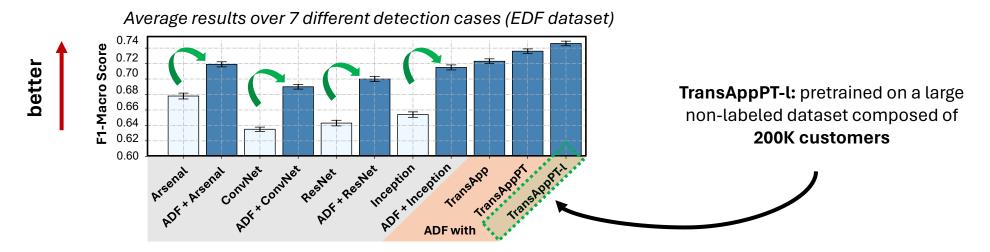




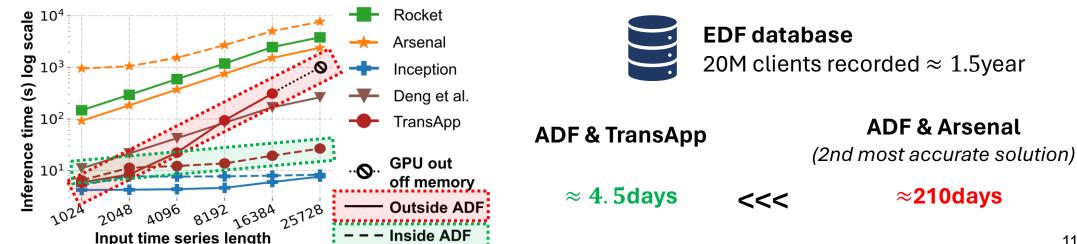
2. Supervised training

Proposed solution: ADF&TransApp - results

Appliance detection accuracy results

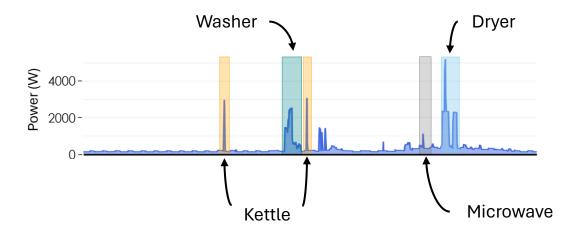


ADF makes TransApp scalable to large electricity databases of long consumption series

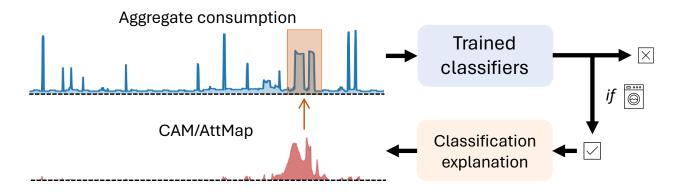


Ongoing work: DeviceScope

ADF&TransApp can accurately detect the appliance presence, but... can we **localize** the appliance activation time?

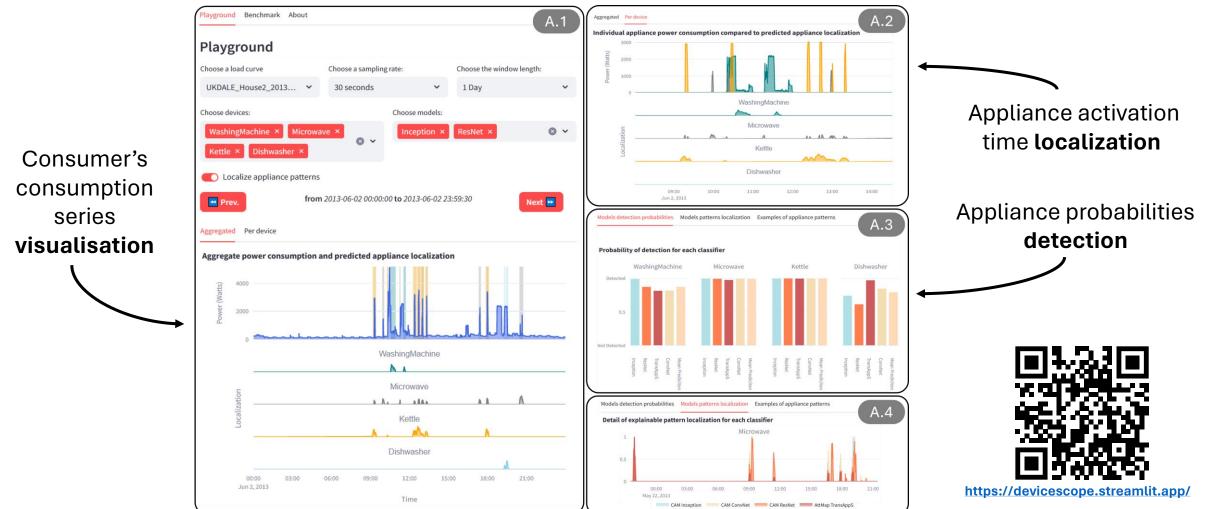


TSC combined with explainable AI



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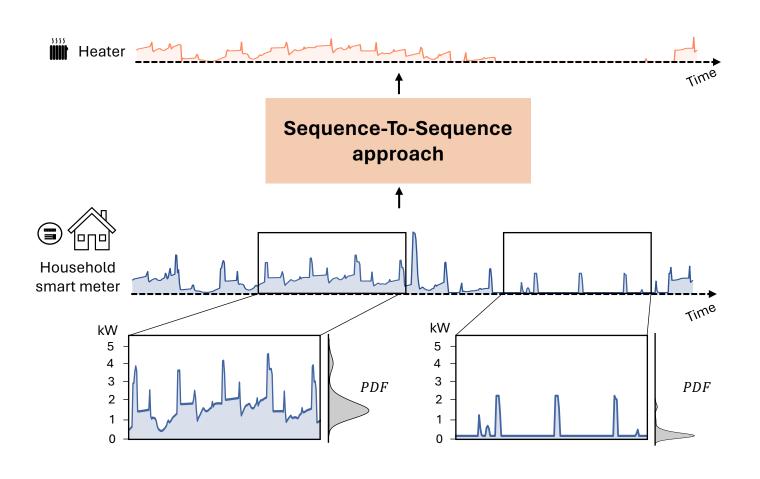
DeviceScope: An interactive system to browse, detect, and localize appliance patterns in electricity consumption time series



DeviceScope application overview

Ongoing work: Energy disaggregation

Estimate appliances individual power consumption





Daily/Weekly/Monthly individual appliances consumption feedback

The current proposed solutions operate on small subsequences of an entire consumption series

It induces a **data drift** that impacts model performance

We recently proposed a **novel deep-learning architecture** for **energy disaggregation** that takes into account **the non-stationarity nature of electricity consumption data**

Conclusion

To wrap up

- The large amount of electricity consumption data and the lack of labels make it challenging to train accurate solutions
- This PhD work proposes new scalable solutions for electricity time series analytics
- 1. Appliance detection can be cast as a TSC problem
- 2. Our **ADF&TransApp** is **an accurate and scalable solution** to detect appliances in electricity consumption series
- 3. Our **DeviceScope** effectively **localizes appliance use**
- Future research direction: large electricity time series model

Thank you!

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