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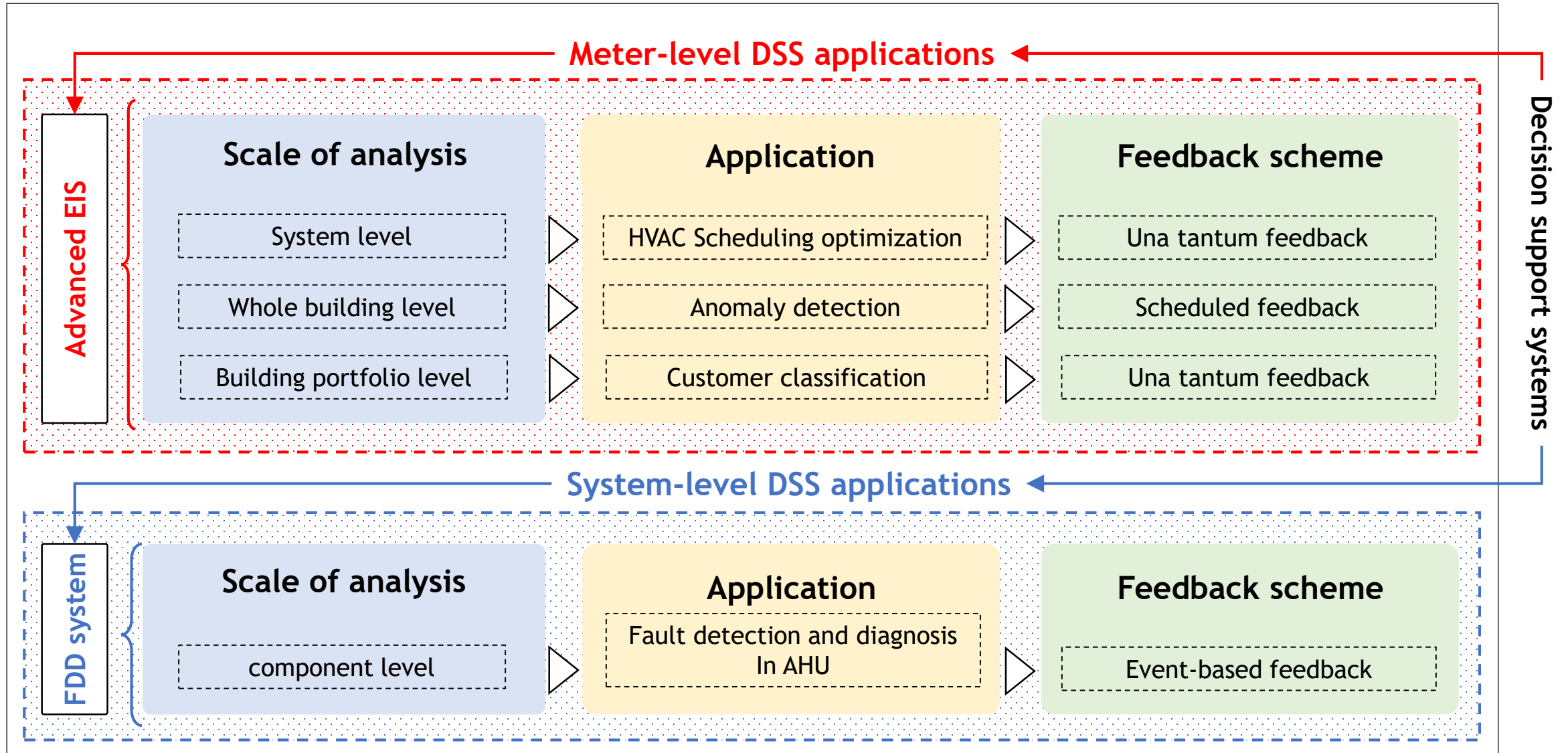
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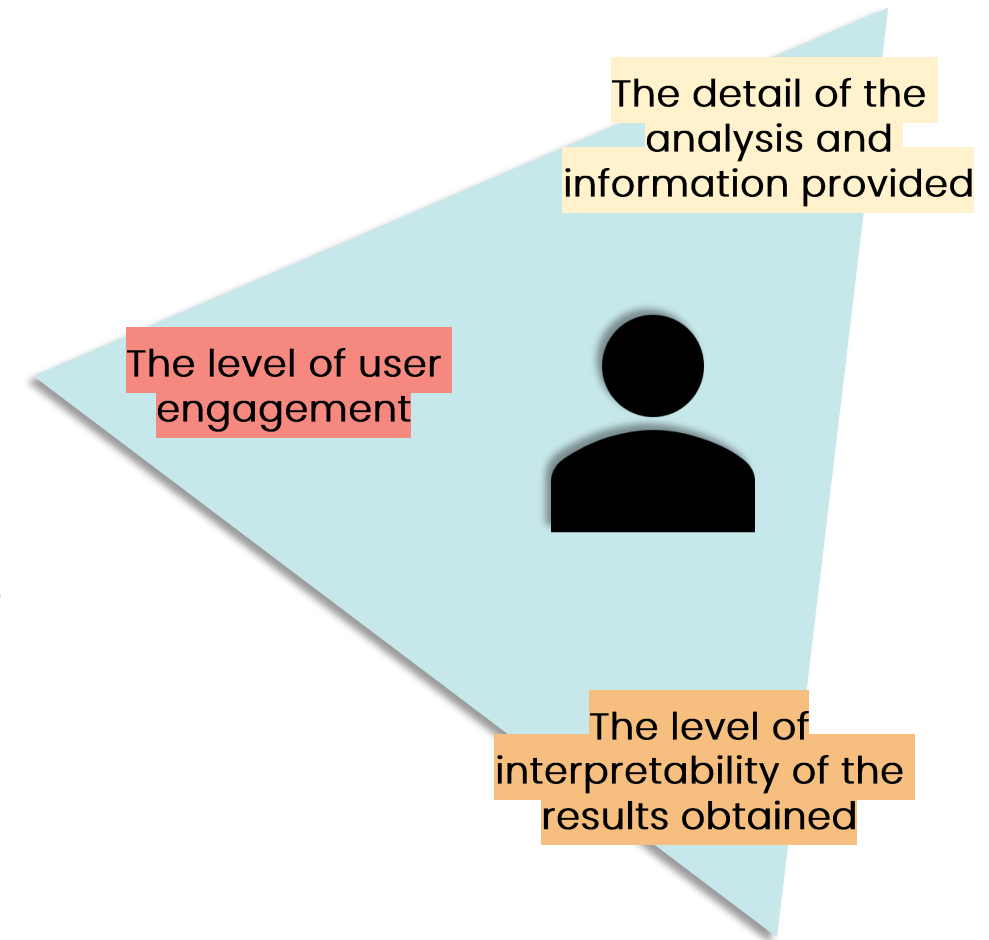
Research outline: DSS application at meter and system level



DSS applications: main barriers and objectives

- Advancing research on **DSS solutions** represents the most **effective way** for strongly impact the building automation sector in the short term
- Address the emerging **need of increased automation and robustness in data analytics-based procedures** for the advanced characterization of the energy performance in buildings (i.e., from system component up to district level).
- Address the **need of high interpretability** of the analyses performed by data analytics based DSS tools.
- **Rationalize and improve the quality of the feedback** schemes especially for real time analytics processes.

The unfortunate triangle



Energy

Information

System



Application at whole building level

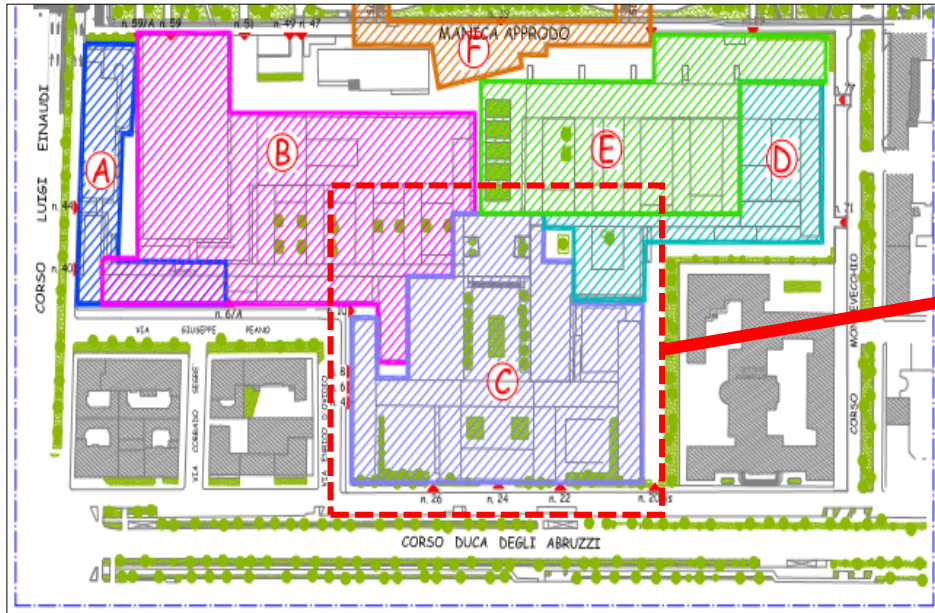
Anomaly detection in energy consumption time series

- in most of real cases, just few and aggregate variables related to the total energy consumption of the building are measured and stored.
- the developed EIS tool is capable to **automatically detect anomalous energy trends in building energy consumption time series** exploiting a small set of input variables.



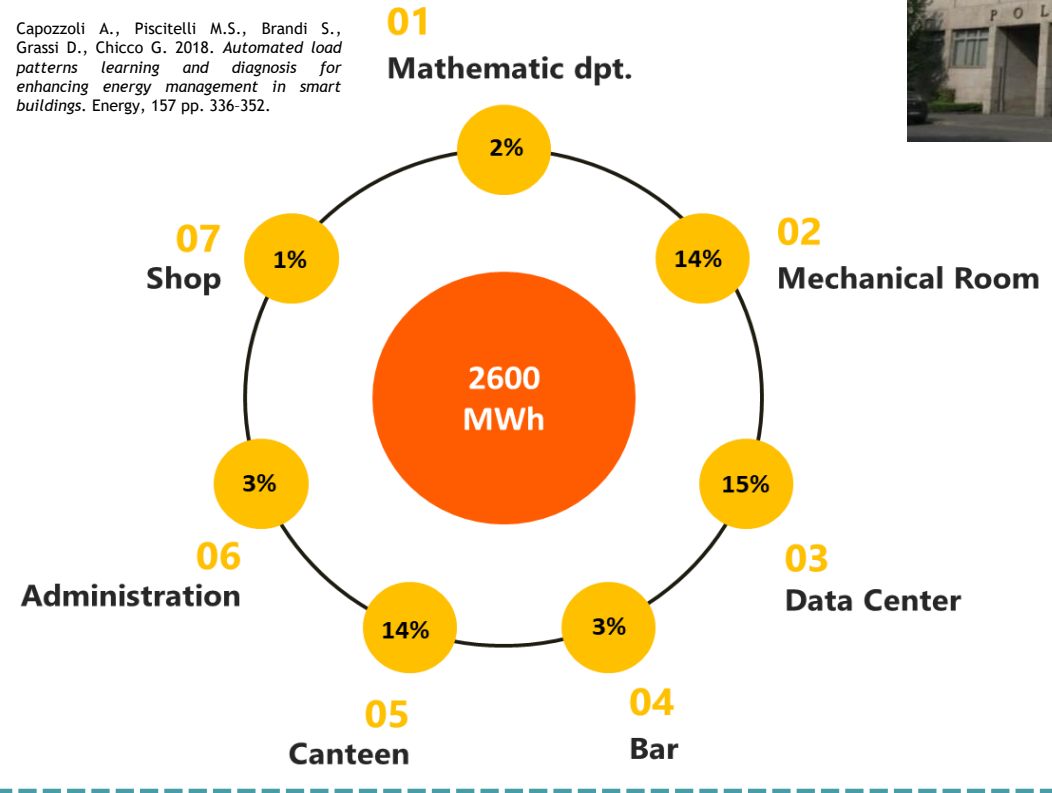
EIS tool for anomaly detection in energy consumption time series: Case study

- Spatial scale/final use → Whole building (University campus)
- Sampling frequency → 15 min
- Recording period length → 1 year



Layout of the electrical substations of Politecnico di Torino

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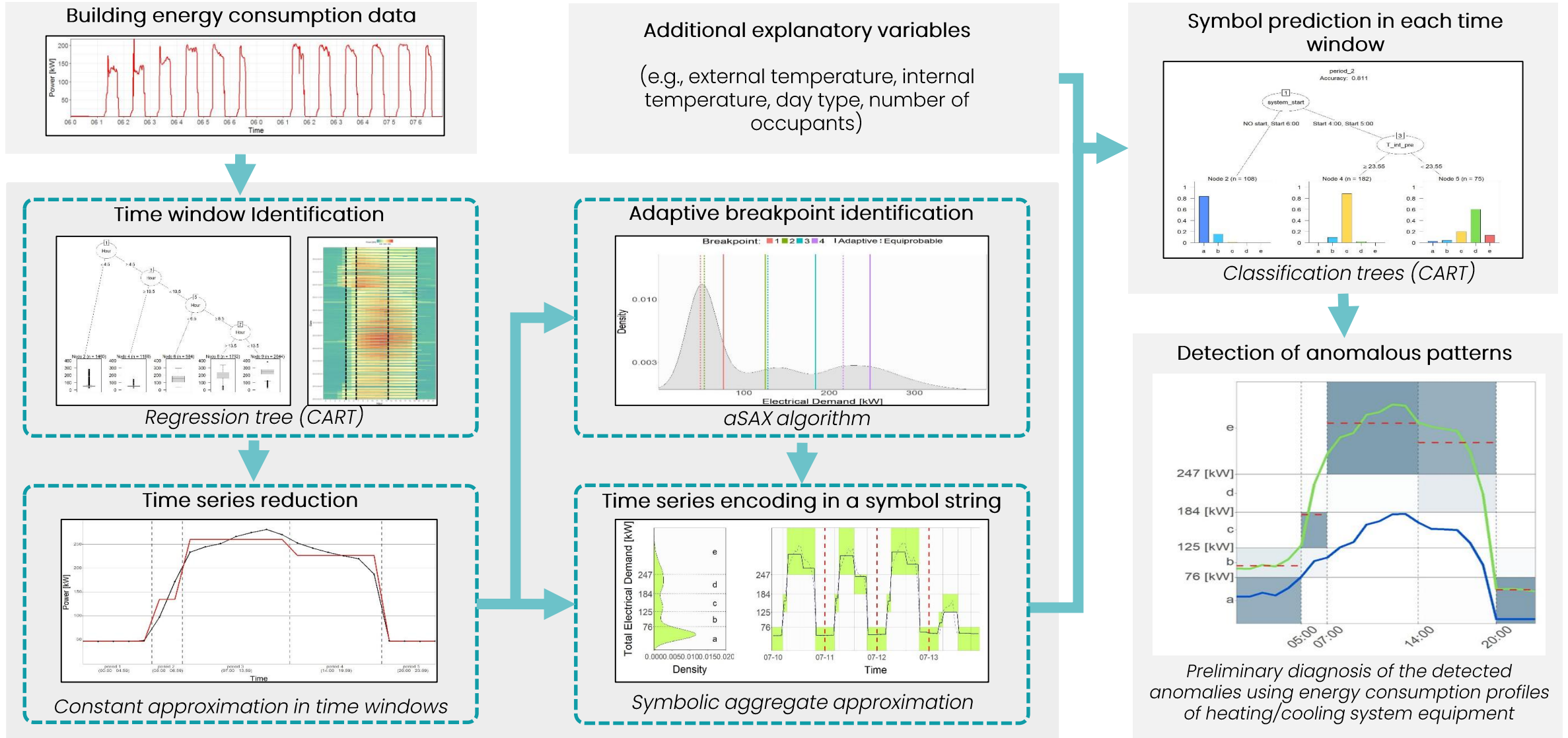


Type of data

- Building energy consumption
- Climatic data
- Number of occupants

The campus is equipped with an electrical power station that is composed by a loop of ten transformer substations. In this case study the electrical energy consumption data of one substation is considered for the analysis.

Anomaly detection in energy consumption time series: Methodological framework



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Temporal abstraction of time series for knowledge extraction

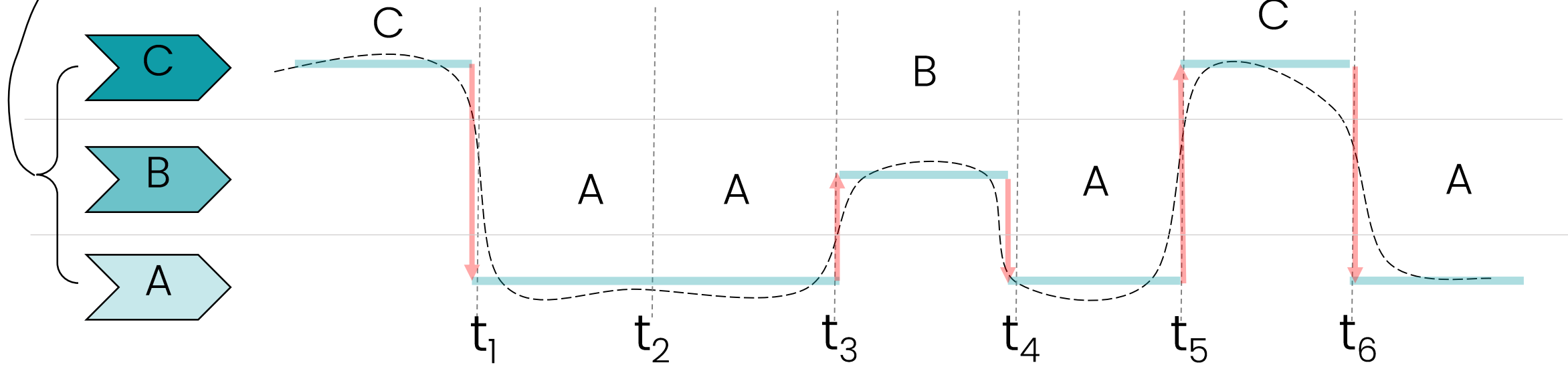
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Symbolic Aggregate approximation (SAX) for reducing and transforming time series

Identification of the transformation intervals
i.e., breakpoints

Identification of the aggregation intervals
i.e., time window

Electrical demand [kW]

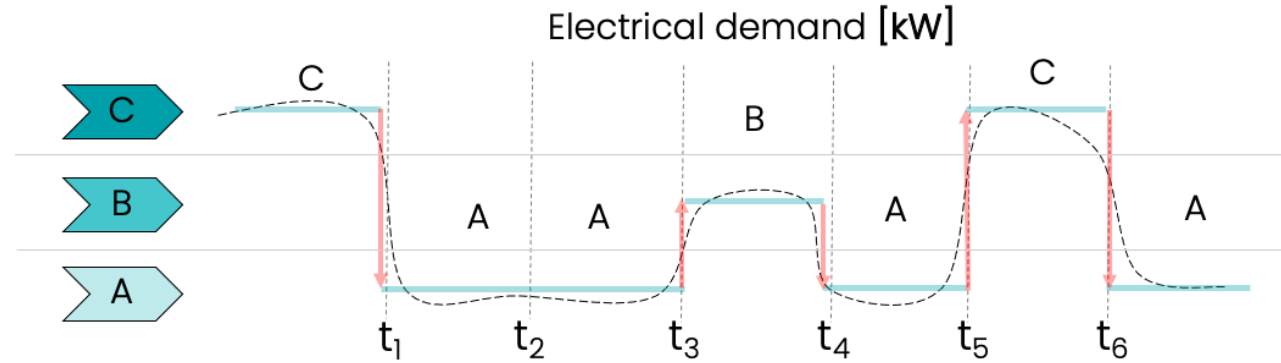


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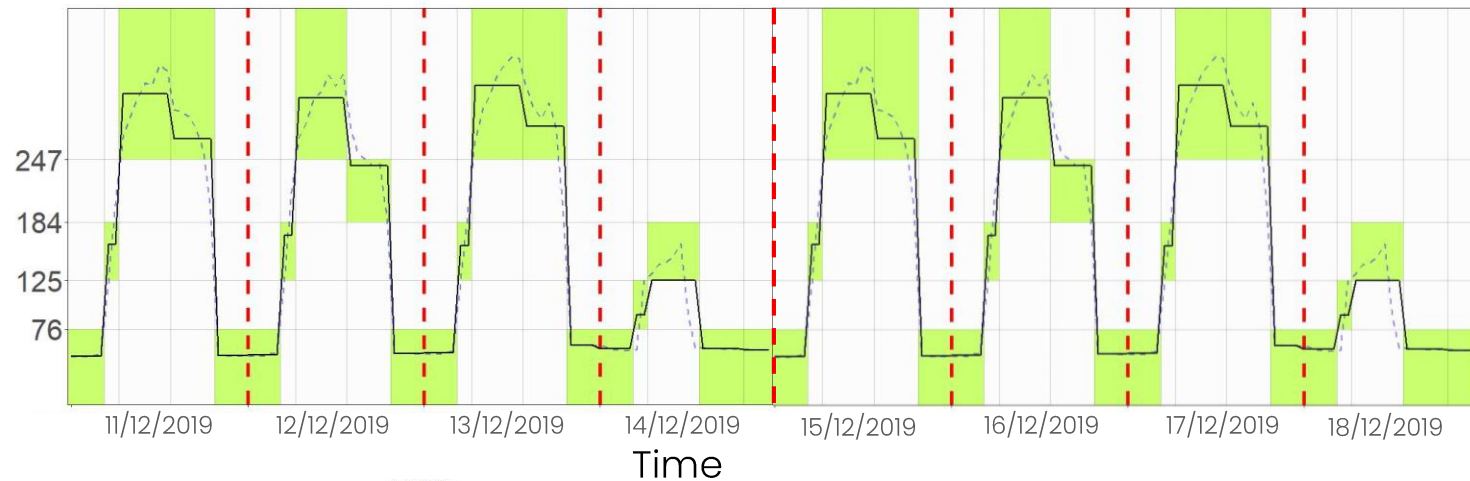
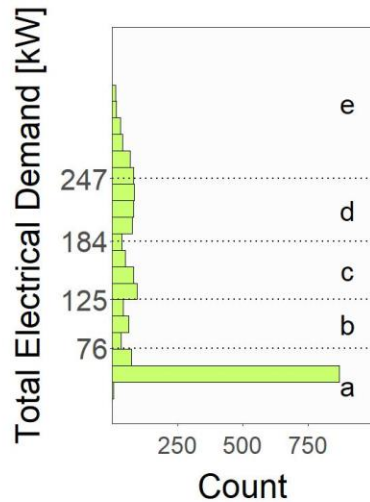
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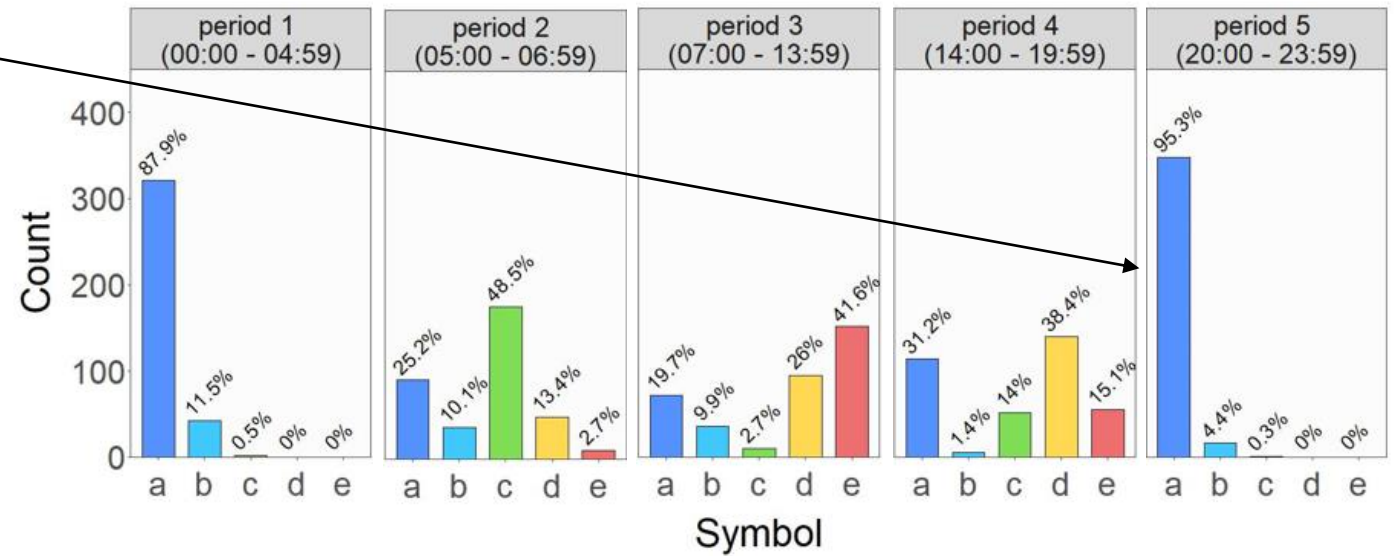
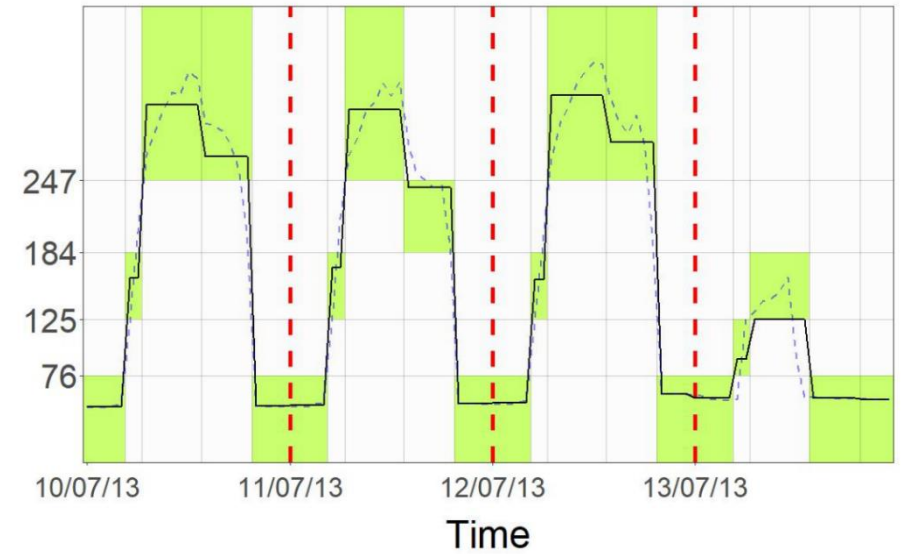
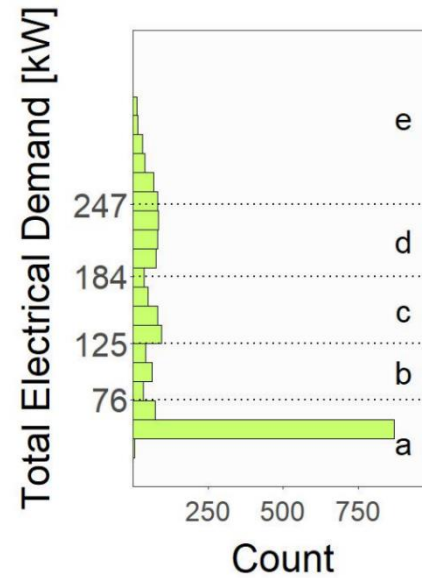
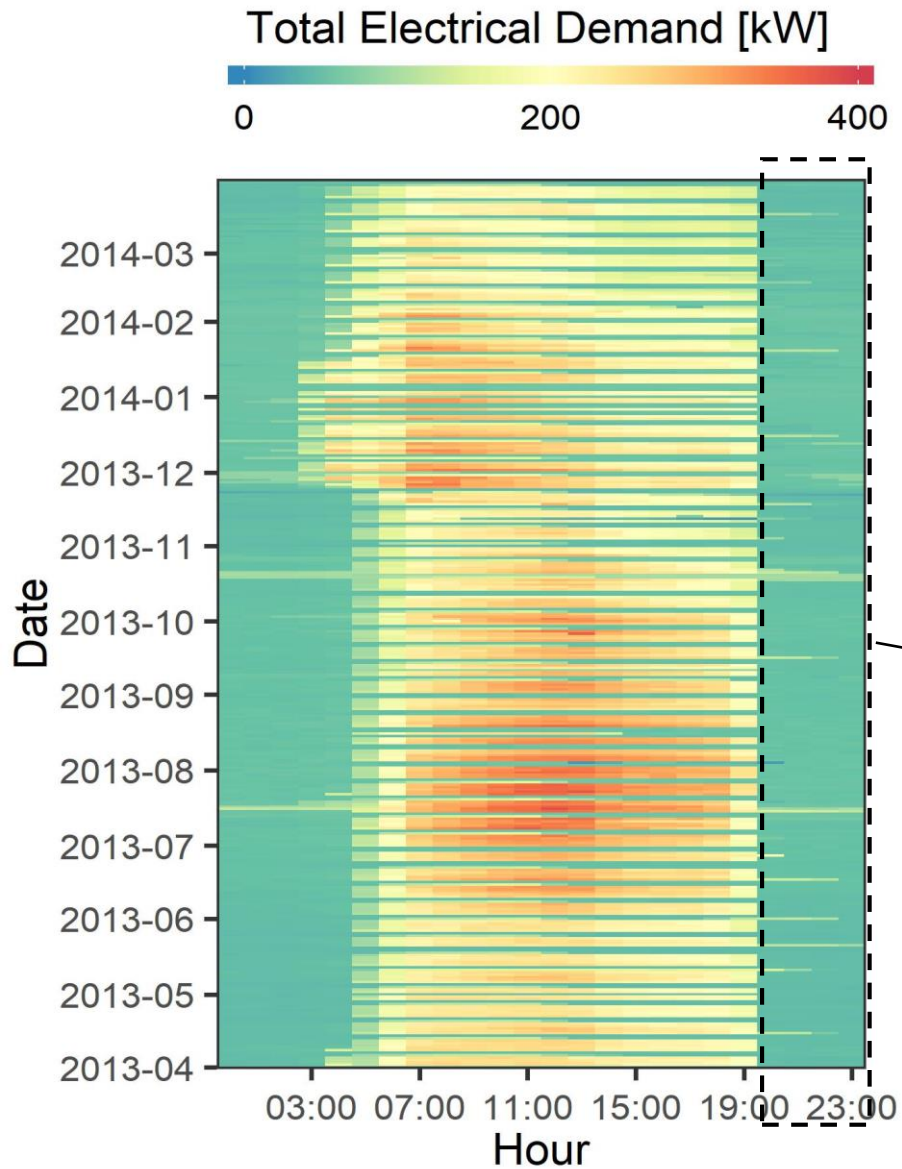


Enhanced SAX encoding of the total electrical demand of Substation C of Politecnico



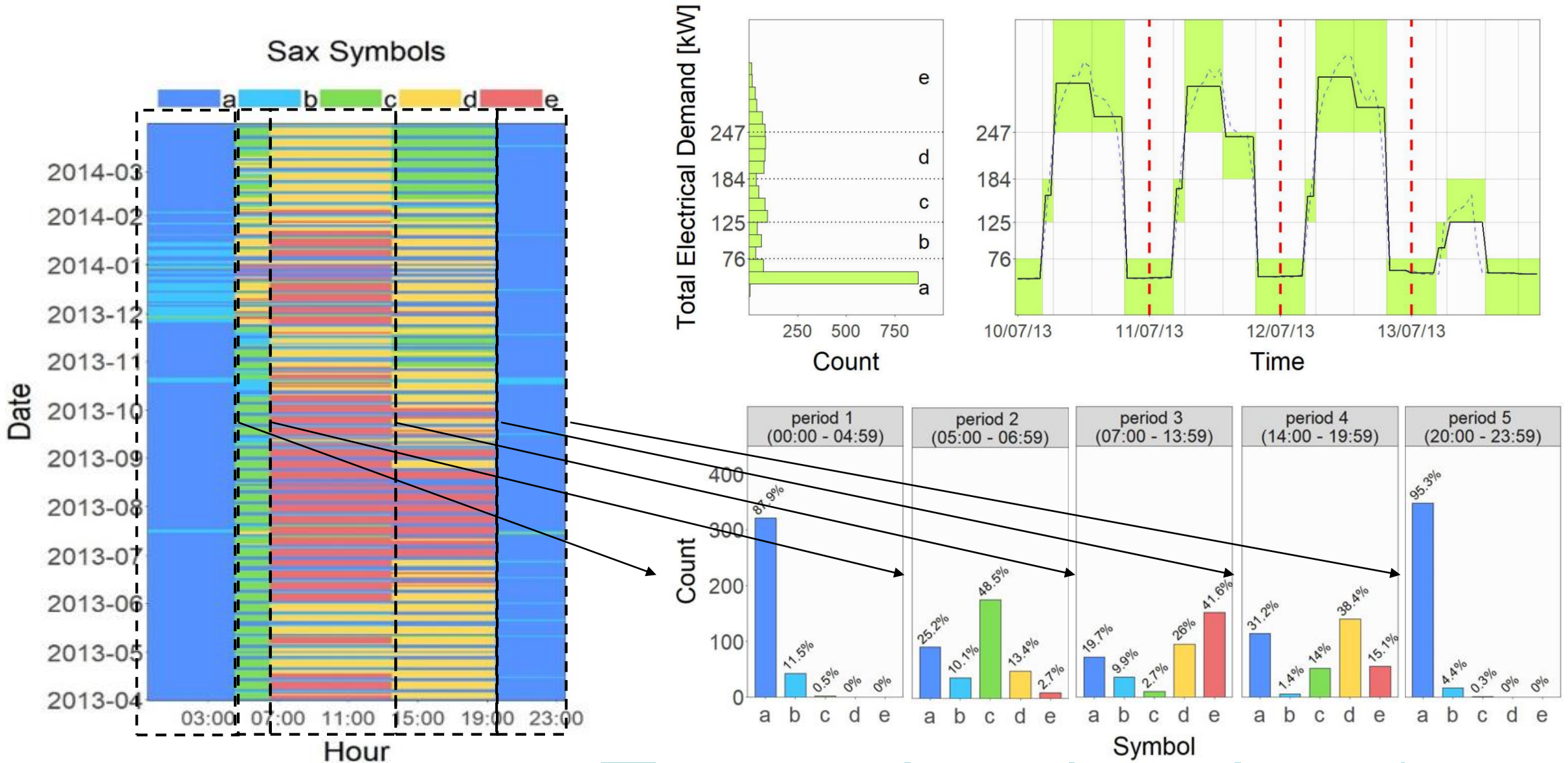
Customized SAX transformation process: time series encoding

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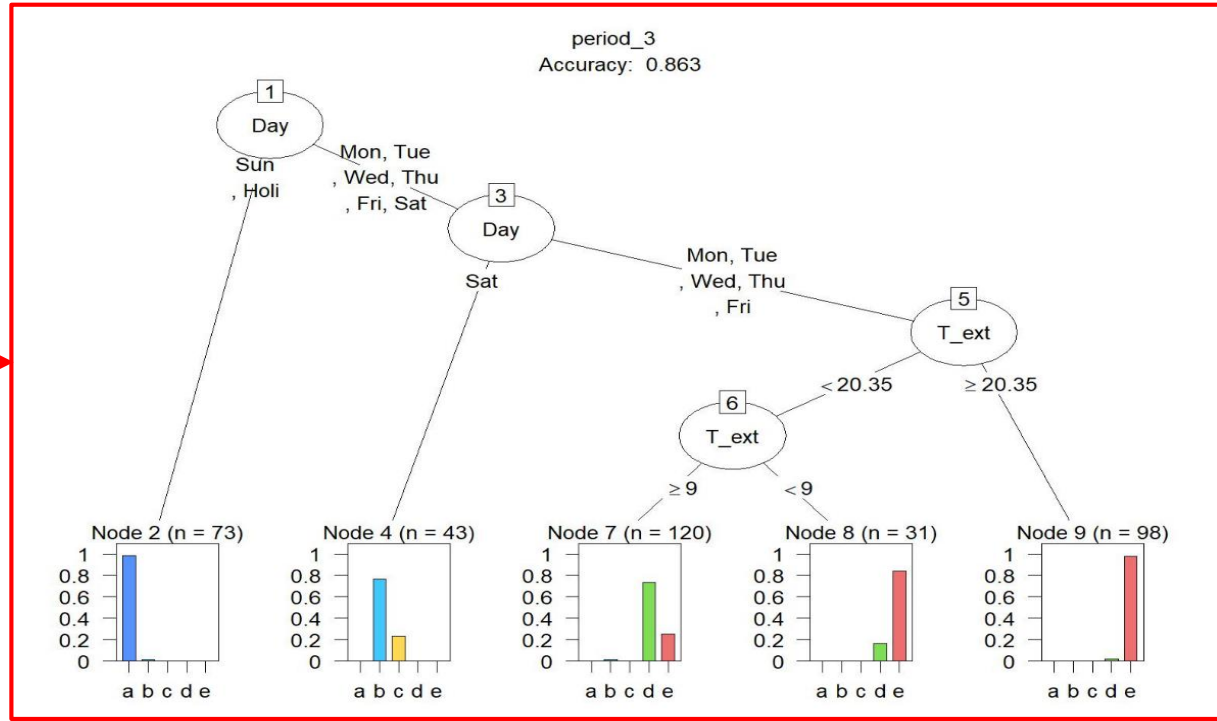


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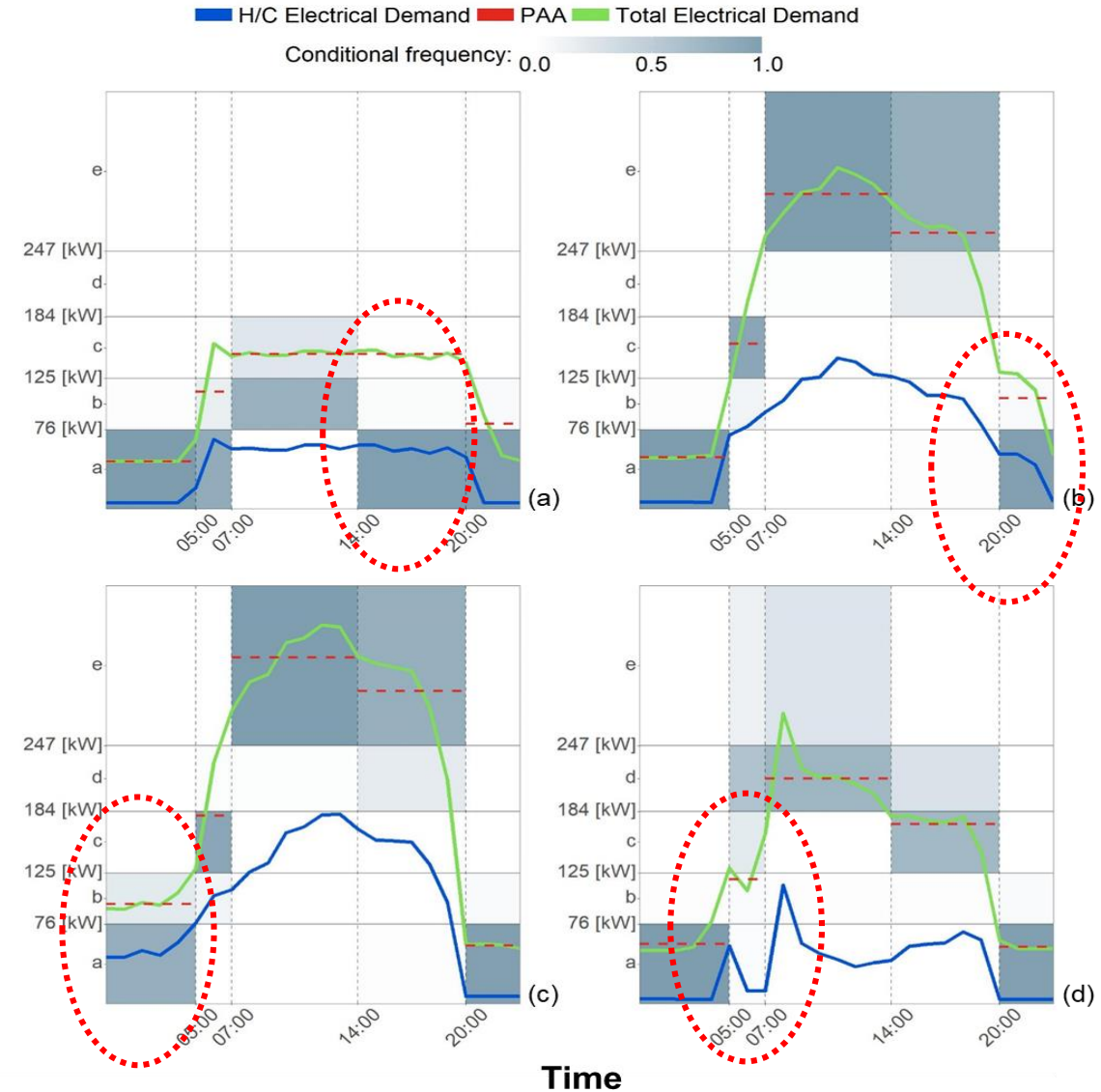
Estimation of typical energy patterns and identification of anomalies



Decision rules for Case study 1.

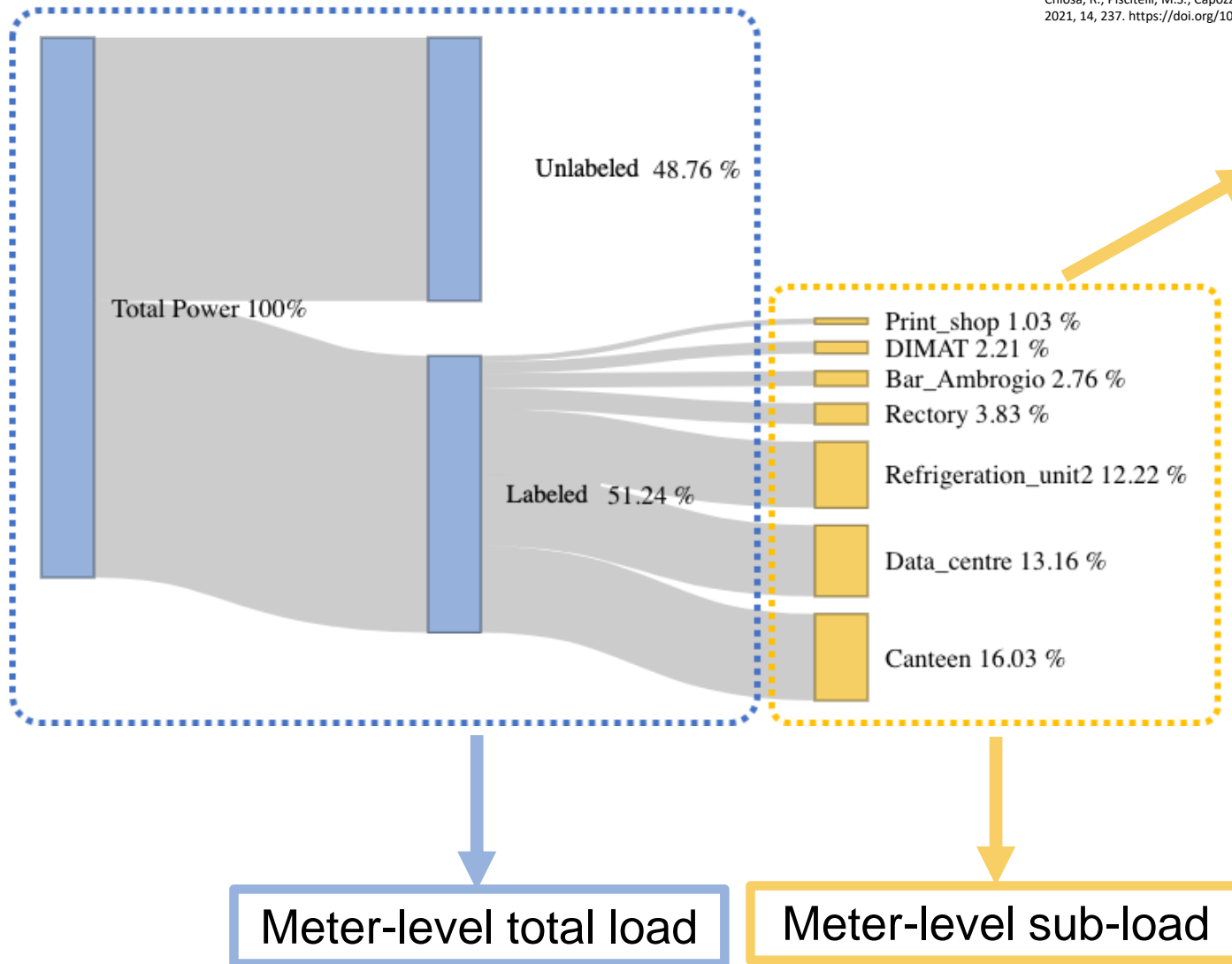
Time window	Decision rules	Symbol	Accuracy
Period 1 (00:00 - 04:59)	IF <i>system_start</i> = is turned OFF	→ a	98%
	IF <i>system_start</i> = is turned ON at 04:00 a.m. AND $T_{int} \geq 23,43$ °C	→ a	80%
	IF <i>system_start</i> = is turned ON at 04:00 a.m. AND $T_{int} < 23,43$ °C	→ b	79%
Period 2 (05:00 - 06:59)	IF <i>Day</i> = Holiday OR Sunday OR Saturday	→ a	83%
	IF <i>Day</i> = Monday OR Tuesday OR Wednesday OR Thursday OR Friday AND $T_{int_pre}(\text{period 1}) \geq 23,55$ °C	→ c	88%
	IF <i>Day</i> = Monday OR Tuesday OR Wednesday OR Thursday OR Friday AND $T_{int_pre}(\text{period 1}) < 23,55$ °C	→ d	60%
Period 3 (07:00 - 13:59)	IF <i>Day</i> = Holiday OR Sunday	→ a	99%
	IF <i>Day</i> = Saturday	→ b	77%
	IF <i>Day</i> = Monday OR Tuesday OR Wednesday OR Thursday OR Friday AND 9 °C $\leq T_{ext} < 20,35$ °C	→ d	73%
Period 4 (14:00 - 19:59)	IF <i>Day</i> = Monday OR Tuesday OR Wednesday OR Thursday OR Friday AND $T_{ext} \geq 20,35$ °C	→ e	98%
	IF <i>Day</i> = Monday OR Tuesday OR Wednesday OR Thursday OR Friday AND $T_{ext} < 9$ °C	→ e	84%
	IF <i>Sym_pre</i> = a OR b OR c	→ a	96%
Period 5 (20:00 - 23:59)	IF $T_{ext} < 24,1$ °C AND <i>Sym_pre</i> (period 3) = "d" AND $T_{int} < 25,55$ °C	→ c	69%
	IF $T_{ext} < 24,1$ °C AND <i>Sym_pre</i> (period 3) = "d" AND $T_{int} \geq 25,55$ °C	→ d	75%
	IF $T_{ext} < 24,1$ °C AND <i>Sym_pre</i> (period 3) = "e"	→ d	94%
	IF <i>Sym_pre</i> = "d" OR "e" AND $T_{ext}(\text{period 3}) \geq 24,1$ °C	→ e	79%
	IF <i>Sym_pre</i> = "d" OR "e" AND $T_{ext}(\text{period 3}) \geq 24,1$ °C	→ a	95%

Symbol / Electrical demand



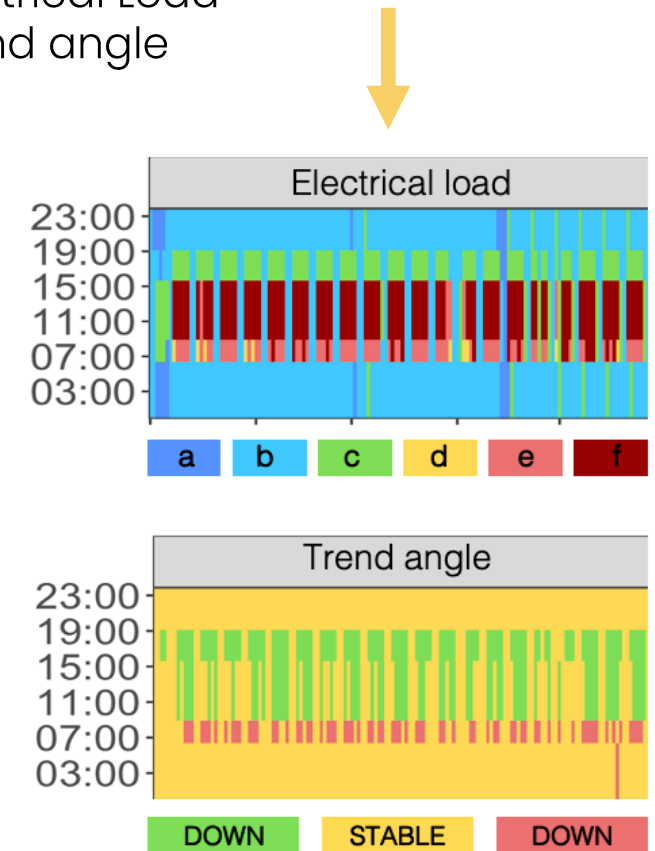
Diagnosis of anomalies using sub-loads information and Association Rule Mining

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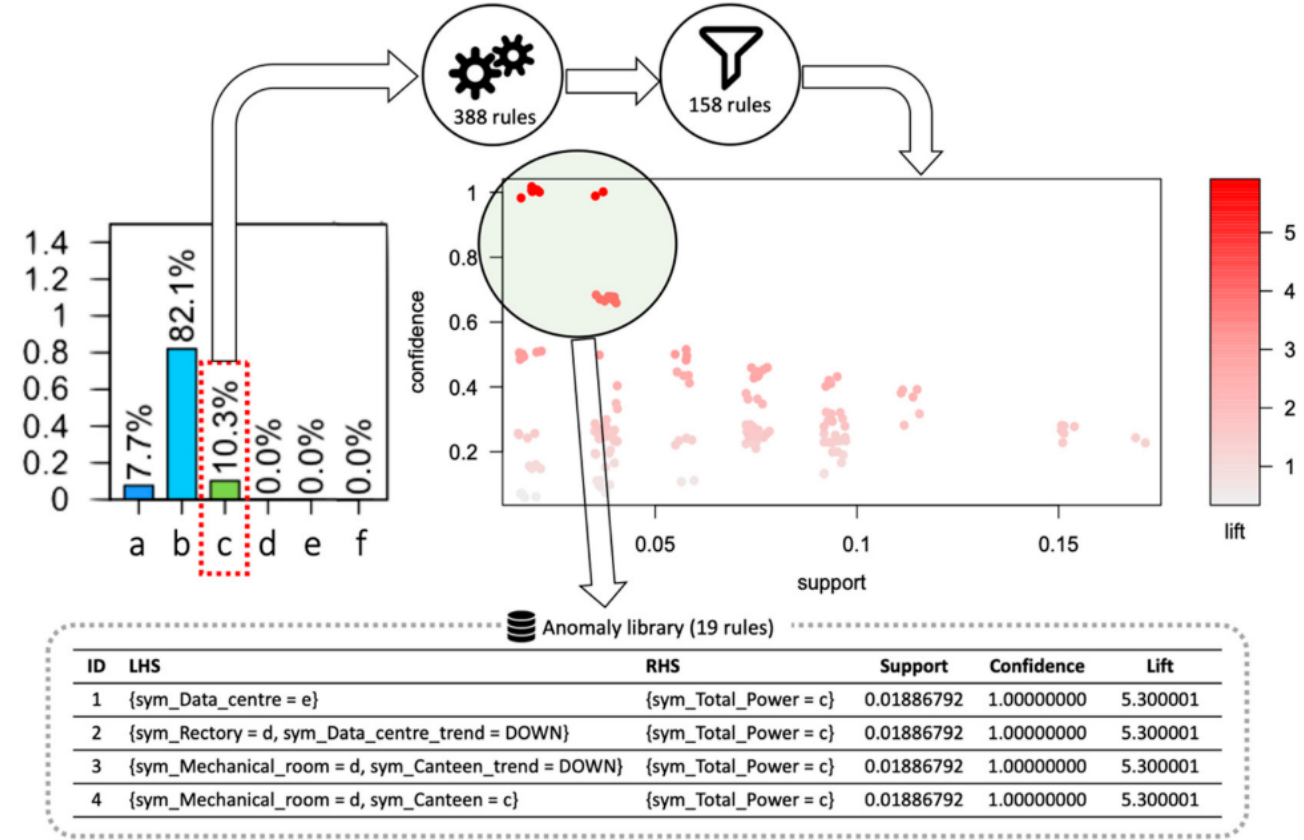
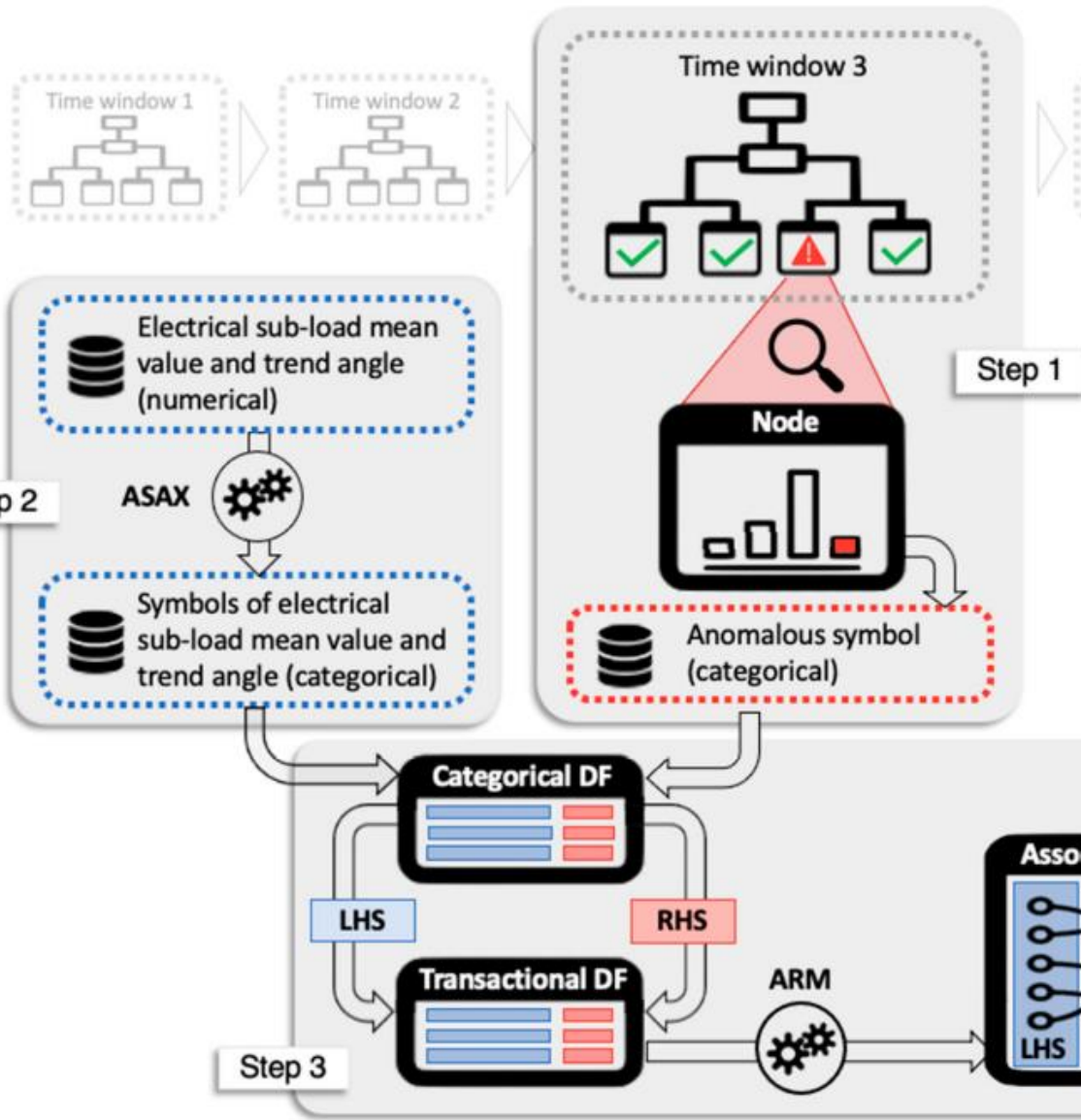


Sub loads feature extraction and categorization through ASAX encoding

- Electrical Load
- Trend angle



Diagnosis of anomalies through ARM

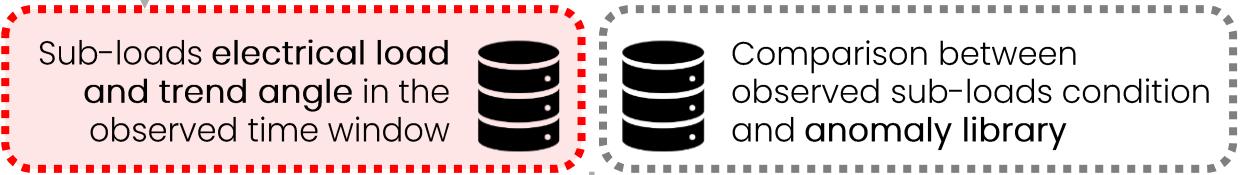
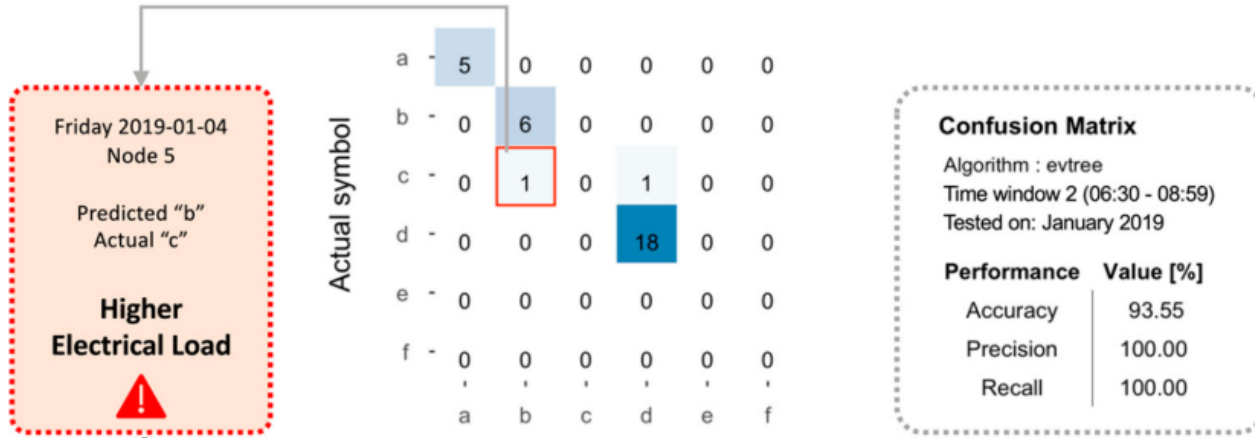


An anomaly library is build using ARM

It is possible to infer the sub-loads that are responsible for the meter-level anomalous behaviour

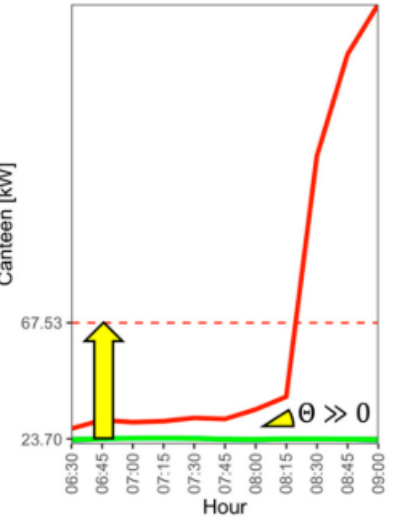
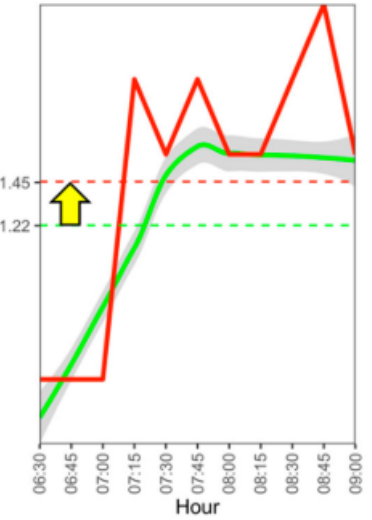
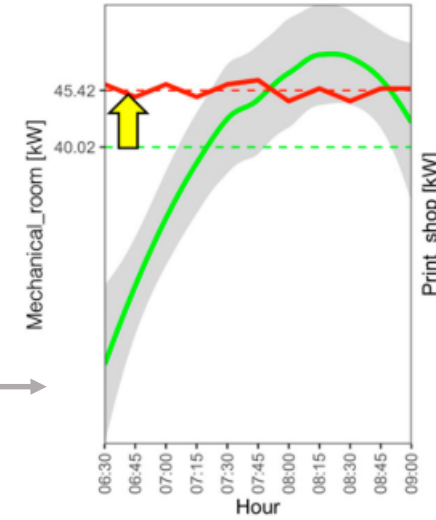
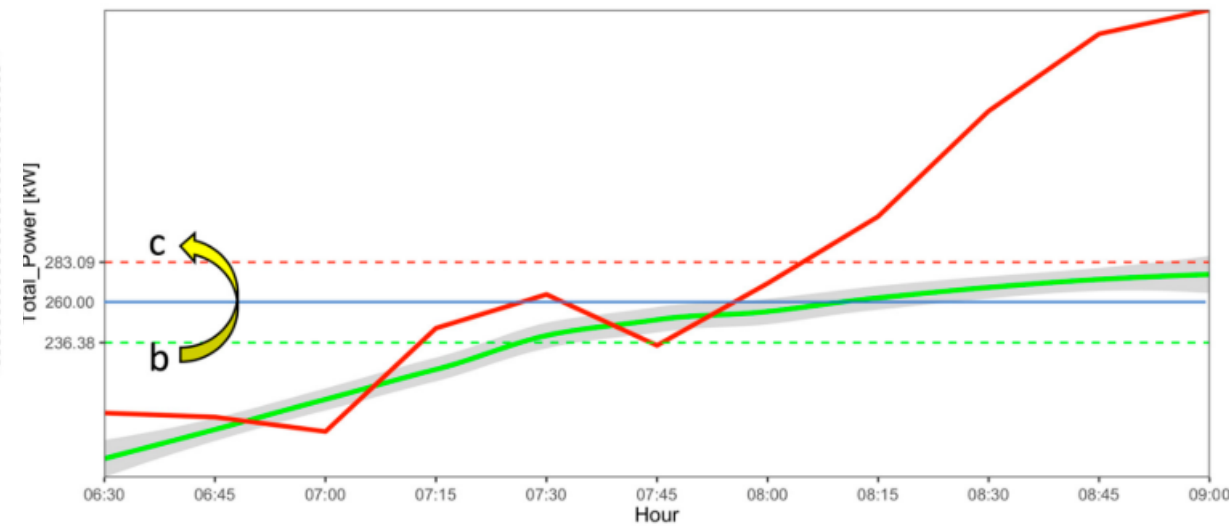
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Diagnosis of anomalies through ARM



Best match

Total load symbol	Sub-load symbol	Sub load trend angle	Sub load
C	C	UP	Printshop
C	C	STABLE	Mechanical room
C	C	UP	Canteen
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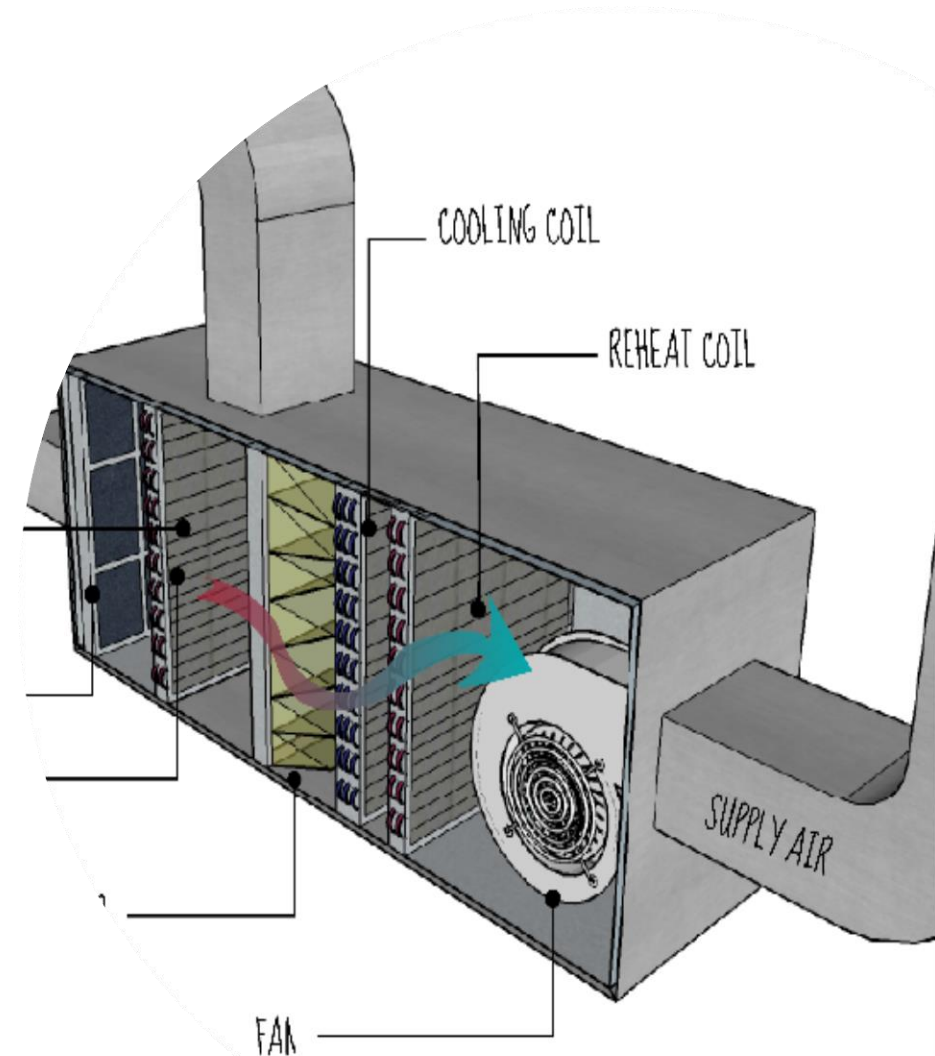
Fault Detection Diagnosis



Application at component level

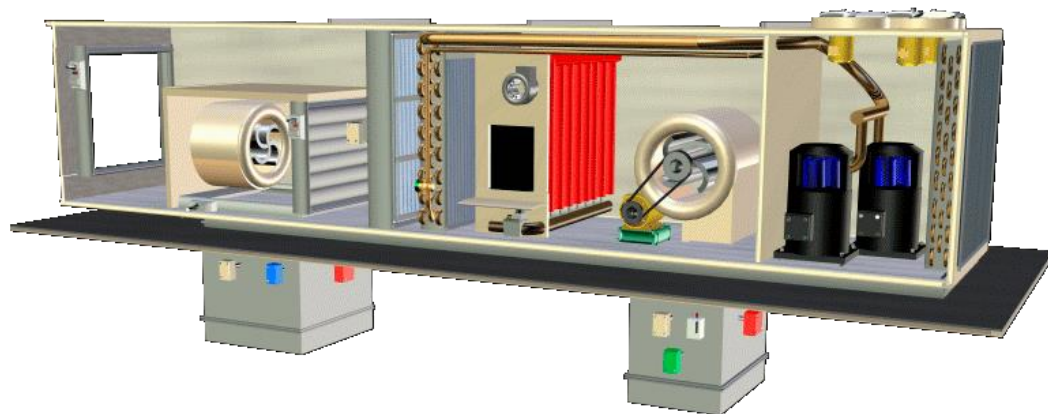
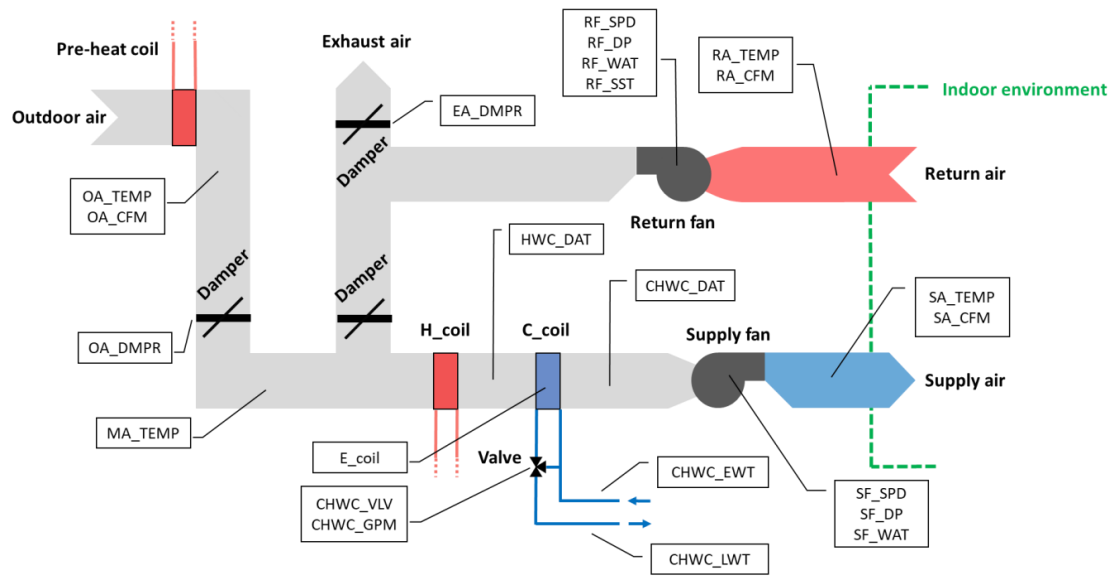
Fault Detection and Diagnosis in AHU systems

- One of the most sources of component and control faults in HVAC is related to Air Handling Units management. A study conducted on more than 55,000 Air Handling Units of HVAC systems, showed that 90% of them runs with one or multiple faults
- the developed FDD tool is capable to automatically **detect and diagnose up to 11 typical faults in AHU with an accuracy of 90%**



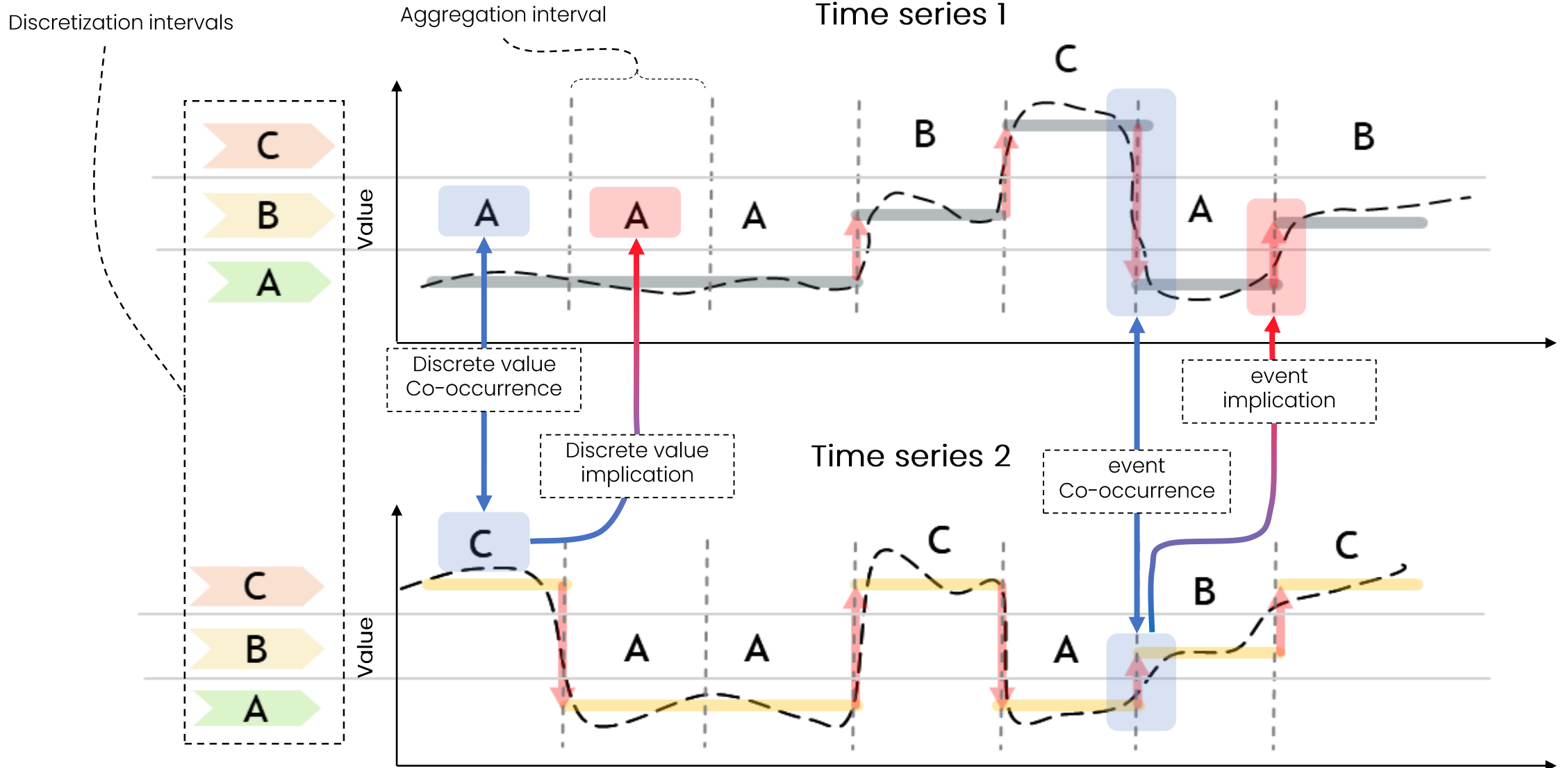
FDD tool for the identification and diagnosis of faults in AUHs: Case study

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Objective	Fault detection and diagnosis in HVAC systems	
Spatial scale/final use	Components of an AHU system (ASHRAE RP-1312)	
Sampling frequency	1 minute	
Type of data	Climatic data	External temperature
	System data	< 20 operational variables (fan, valves, dampers, setpoints)
	Building physical parameters	-
Recording period length	33 days cooling condition	

Identification and diagnosis of faults in AUHs : Methodological framework

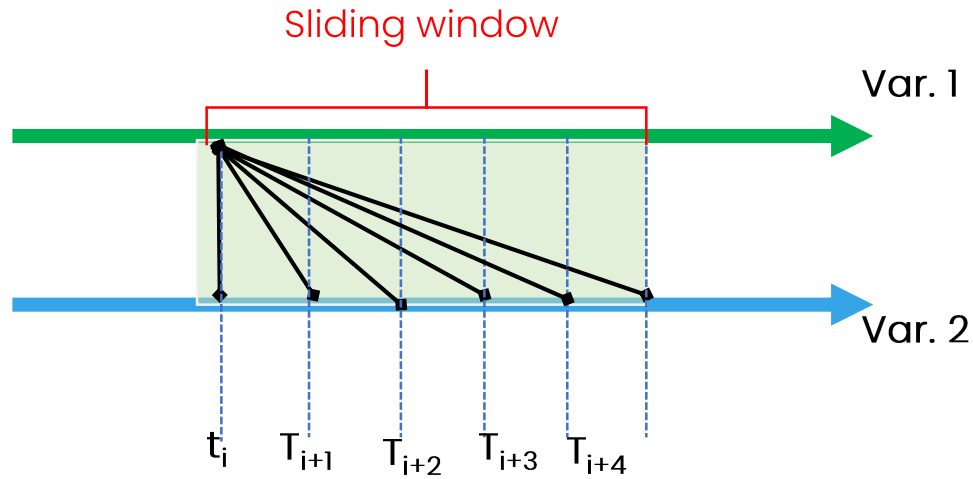


Identification and diagnosis of faults in AHUs : event co-occurrence and implication during transient period

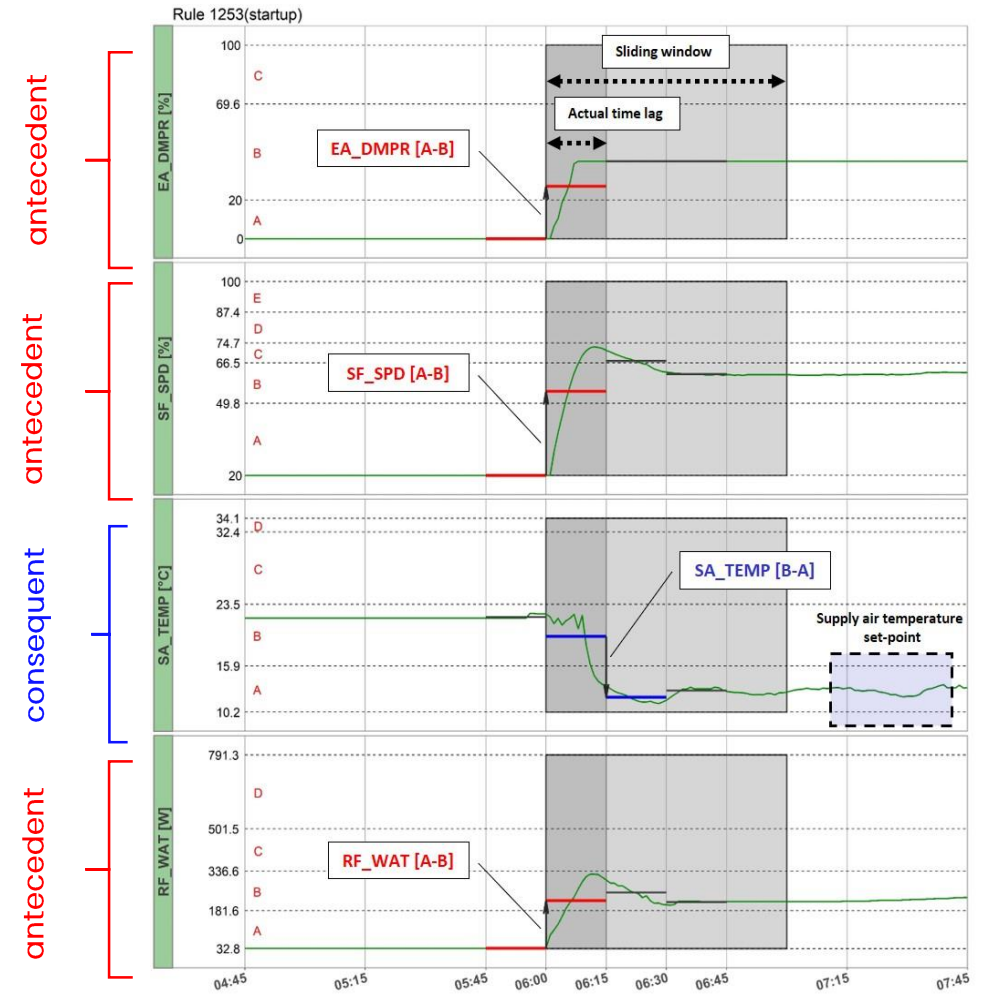
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Rule extraction through association rule mining

$$X \xrightarrow{t} Y$$



association rules can be used for mining **implications between events** in the time domain that are frequently associated together. The output is a set of IF-THEN interpretable rules that are used to represent patterns.

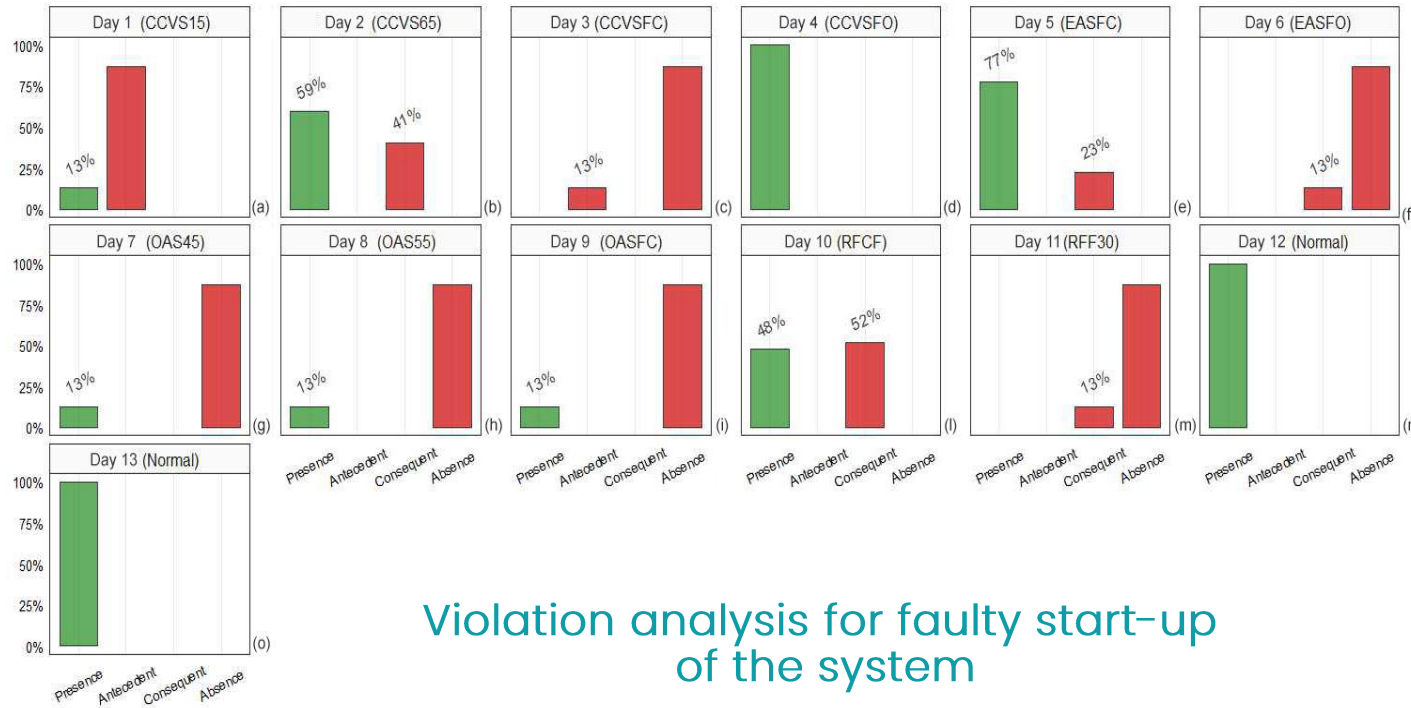


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→ SA_TEMP [B-A]

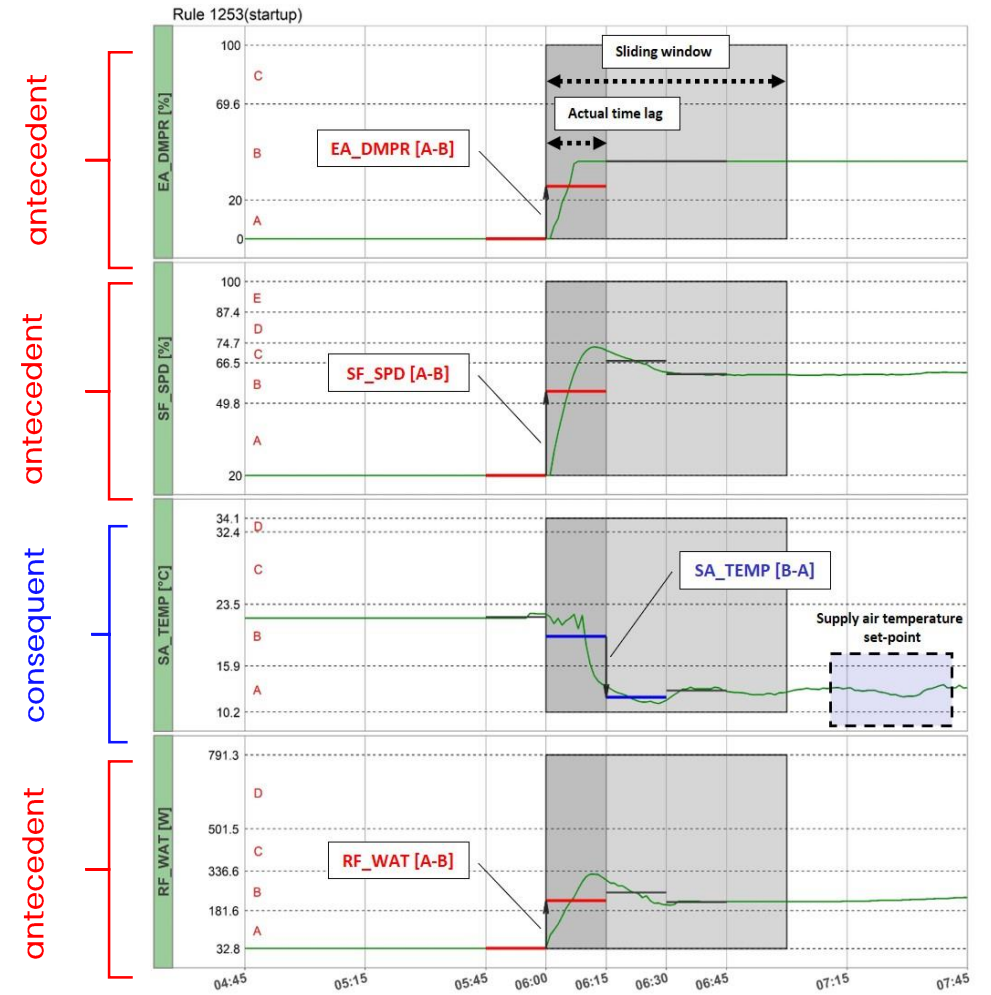
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Violation analysis for faulty start-up of the system

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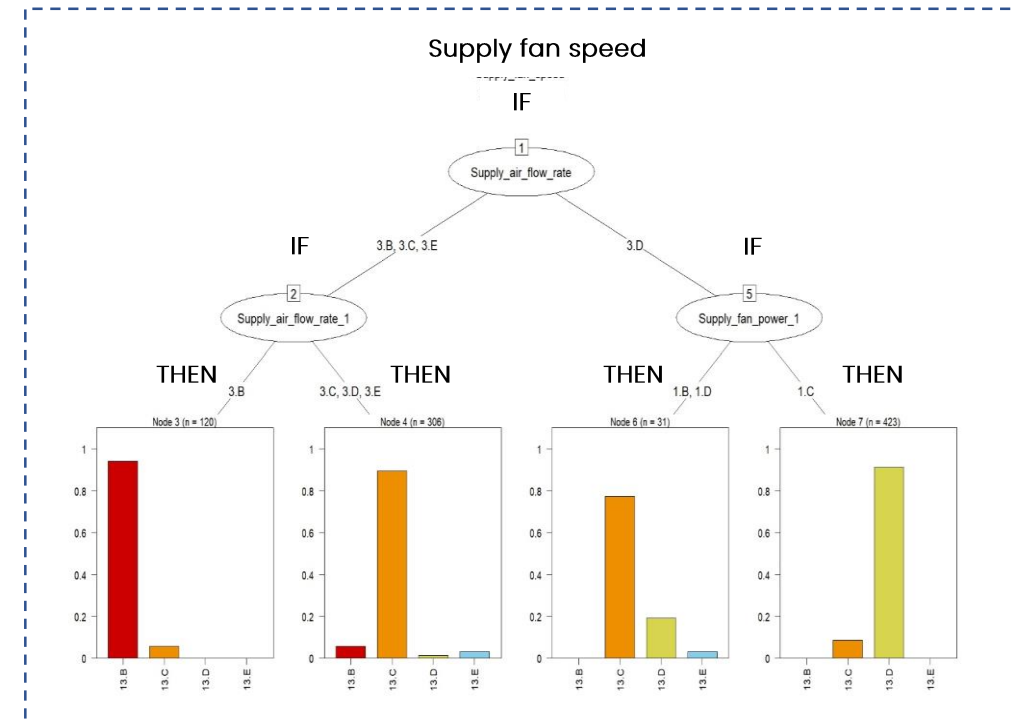
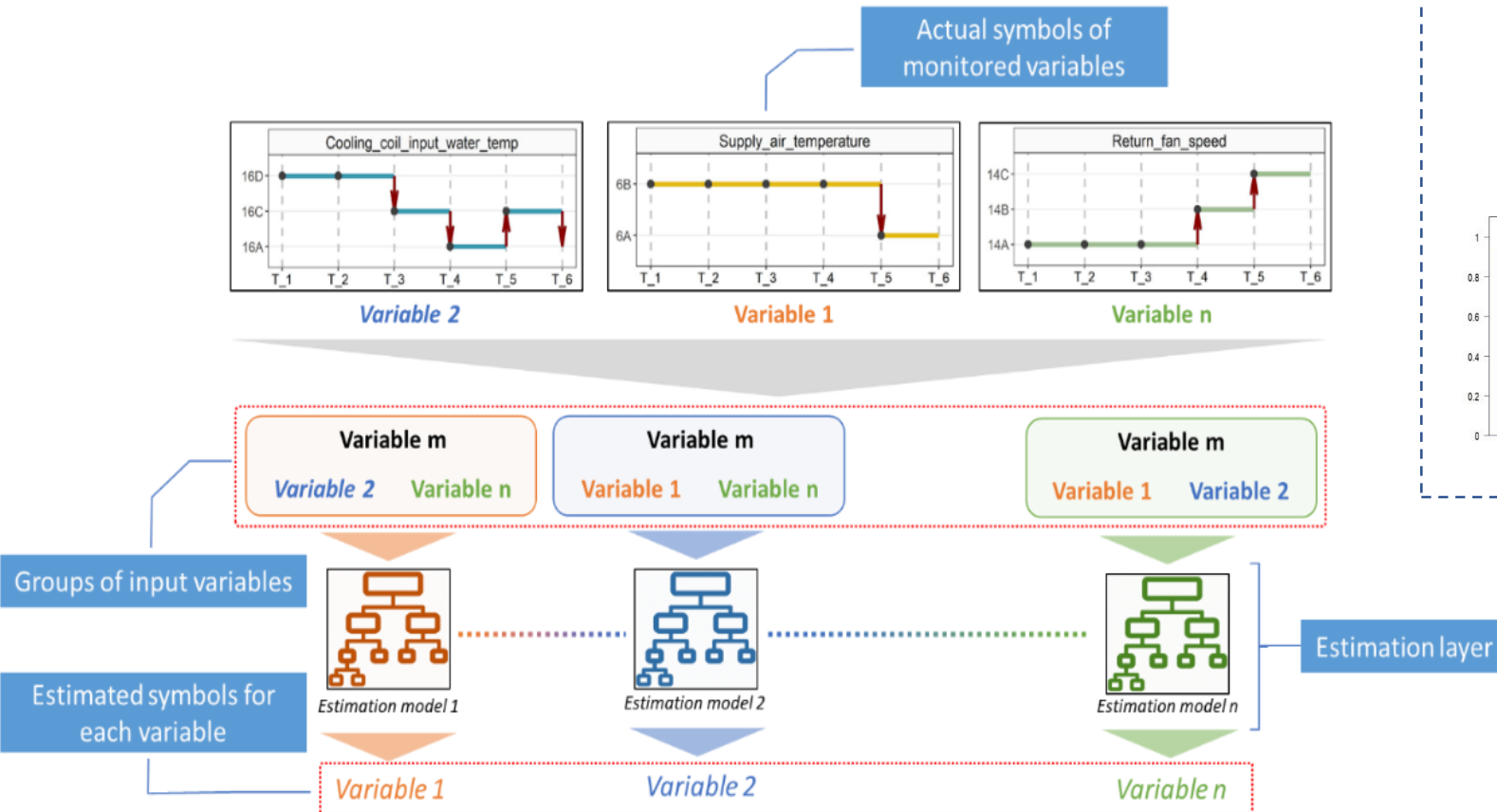


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Identification and diagnosis of faults in AUHs : discrete value co-occurrences and implications during non transient period

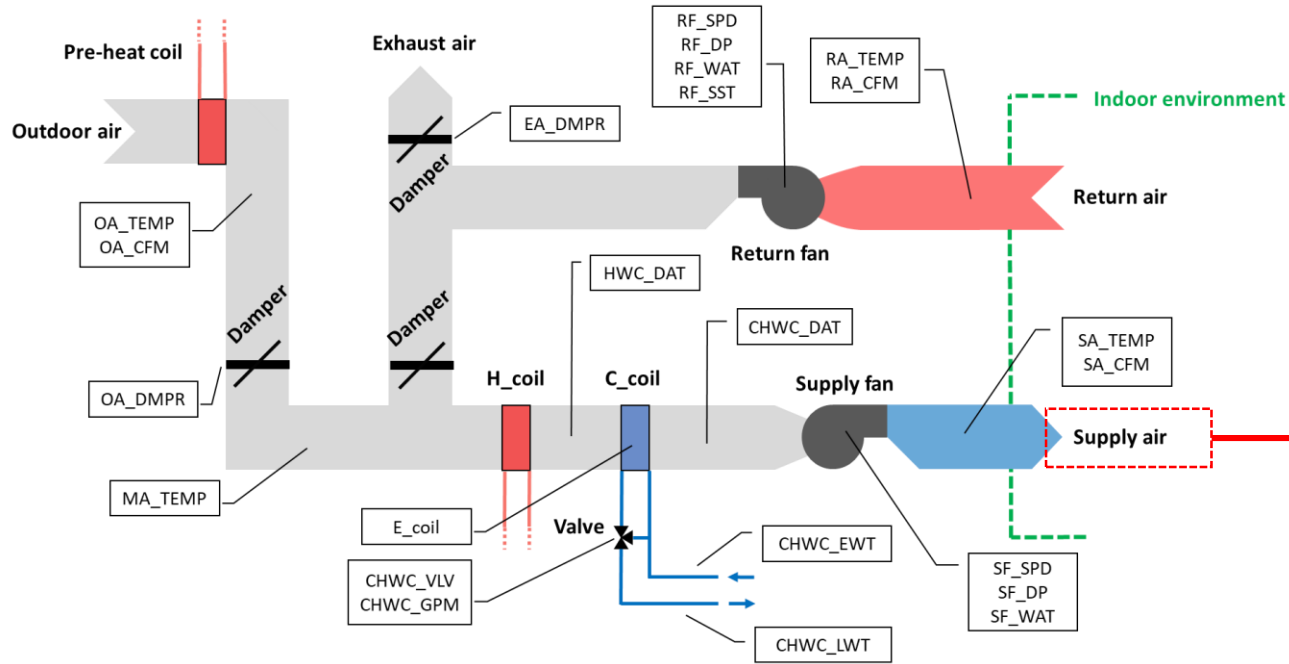
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Estimation layer of the system "Normal" operation

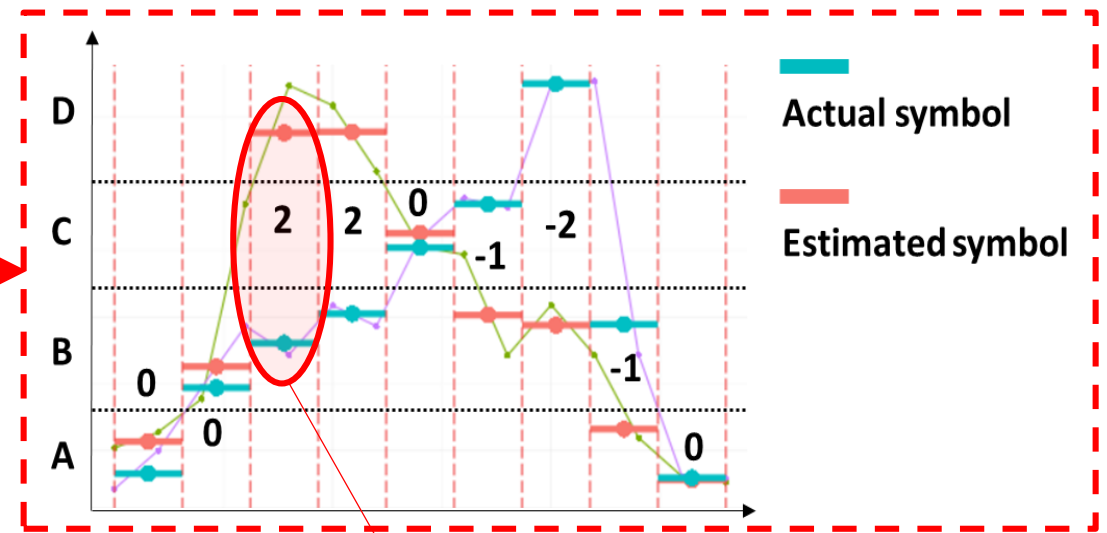


For the development of the classification trees, all the variables are selected once at a time as target attribute while the remaining ones are used as input attributes.

Identification and diagnosis of faults in AUHs : discrete value co-occurrences and implications during non transient period



The most probable discrete state can be estimated and compared to the one evaluated from the actual data. Deviations from the estimations can suggest the presence of fault.



Predicted - actual

Evaluation of residuals in symbolic discrete-state TS

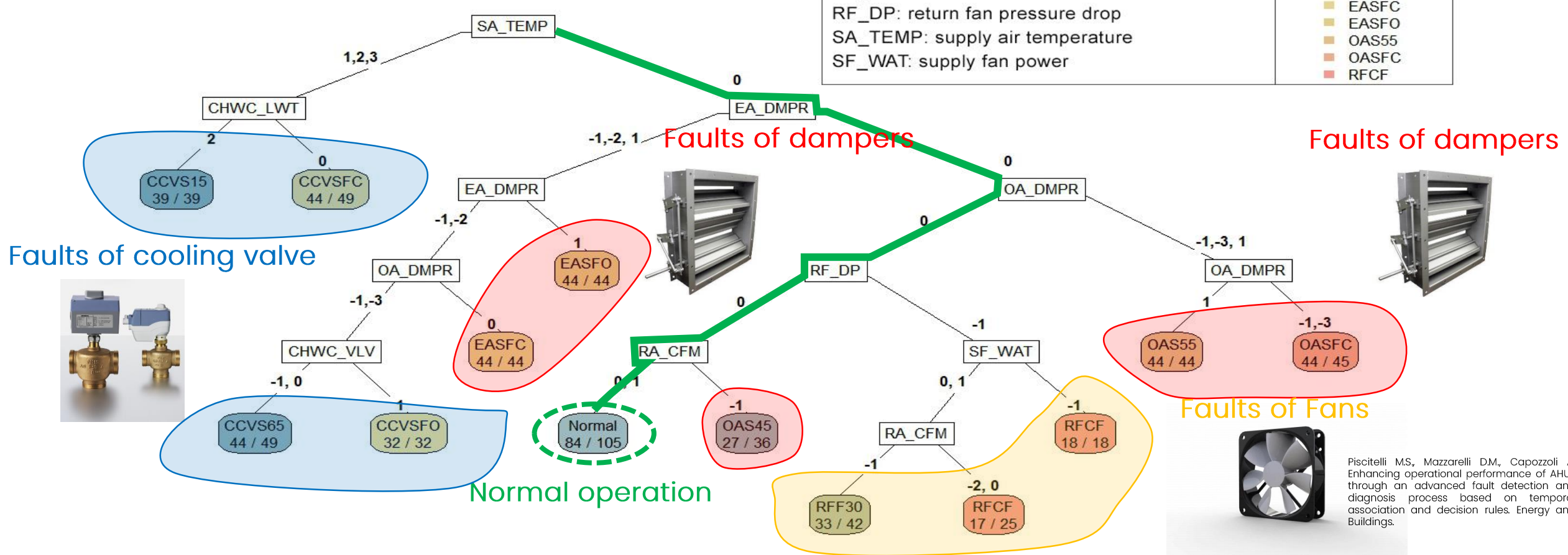
The difference between two equal symbols is assumed to be 0, while the residual differs from zero if the symbols are at least one alphabet apart.

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Identification and diagnosis of faults in AHUs : Fault diagnosis through residual analysis

Up to 11 typical faults in AHUs identified with the 90% of accuracy

Nomenclature of the input variables	Predicted fault tag
CHWC_LWT: cooling coil outlet water temperature	■ CCVS15
CHWC_VLV: cooling coil valve position	■ CCVS65
EA_DMPR: exhaust air damper position	■ Normal
OA_DMPR: outdoor air damper position	■ OAS45
RA_CFM: return air flow rate	■ RFF30
RF_DP: return fan pressure drop	■ CCVSFC
SA_TEMP: supply air temperature	■ CCVSFO
SF_WAT: supply fan power	■ EASFC
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	■ OASFC
	■ RFCF

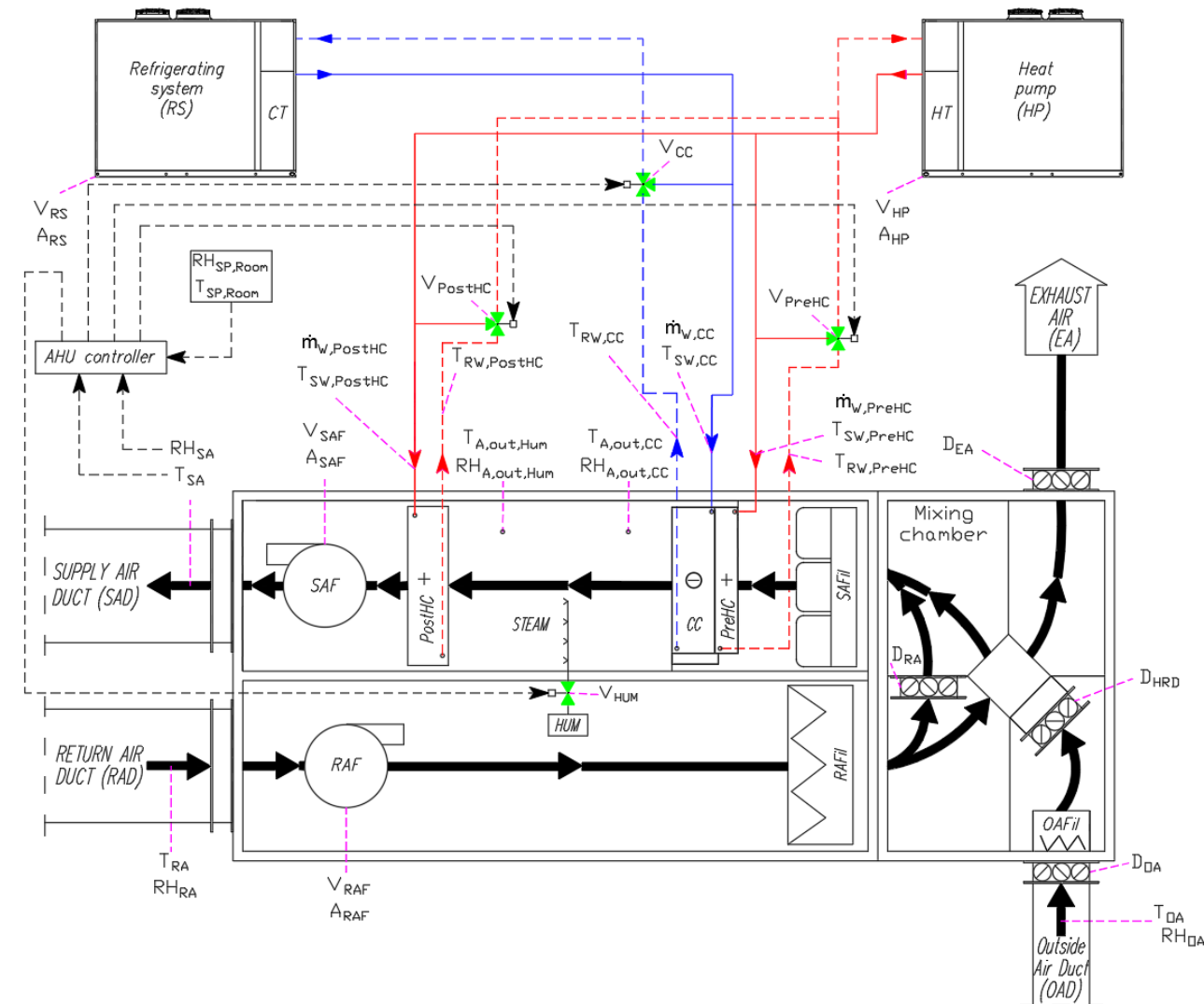


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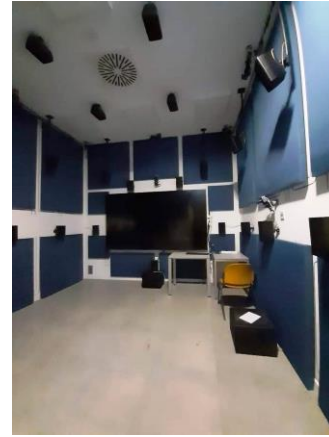
Experimental campaign on FDD for AHU in collaboration with SENS i-Lab

The experimental campaign has the following objectives:

1. Design and setup of monitoring infrastructure
2. Experimental campaign and simulation of artificial faults during operation
3. Test of FDD strategies on the case study
4. Production of publicly available dataset



Monitoring infrastructure installed in the SENS i-Lab facility



Monitored Parameters	Symbol	Measuring Range	Accuracy
Return air temperature	T_{RA}	0÷50 °C	±0.8 °C
Return air relative humidity	RH_{RA}	0÷100%	±3%
Supply air temperature	T_{SA}	0÷50 °C	±0.8 °C
Supply air relative humidity	RH_{SA}	0÷100%	±3%
Outside air temperature	T_{OA}	-50÷50 °C	±0.75 °C
Air temperature at outlet of cooling coil	$T_{A,out,CC}$	-50÷50 °C	±0.75 °C
Opening percentage of 3-way valve supplying the PostHC	OP_{V_PreHC}	0÷100%	-
Opening percentage of 3-way valve supplying the PreHC	OP_{V_PostHC}	0÷100%	-
Opening percentage of 3-way valve supplying the CC	OP_{V_CC}	0÷100%	-
Opening percentage of valve of the Hum	OP_{V_Hum}	0÷100%	-

Monitored Parameters	Symbol	Measuring Range	Accuracy
Outside air relative humidity	RH_{OA}	0÷100%	±2%
Air relative humidity at outlet of cooling coil	$RH_{A,out,CC}$	0÷100%	±3%
Air temperature at outlet of humidifier	$T_{A,out,Hum}$	-50÷50 °C	±0.8 °C
Air relative humidity at outlet of humidifier	$RH_{A,out,Hum}$	0÷100%	±3%
Air temperature at outlet of post-heating coil	$T_{A,out,PostHC}$	-50÷50 °C	±0.8 °C
Air relative humidity at outlet of post-heating coil	$RH_{A,out,PostHC}$	0÷100%	±3%
Water temperature at inlet of pre-heating coil	$T_{SW,PreHC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water temperature at outlet of pre-heating coil	$T_{RW,PreHC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water mass flowrate entering the pre-heating coil	$\dot{m}_{W,PreHC}$	0÷0.65 l/s	±2%
Water temperature at inlet of cooling coil	$T_{SW,CC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water temperature at outlet of cooling coil	$T_{RW,CC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water mass flowrate entering the cooling coil	$\dot{m}_{W,CC}$	0÷0.65 l/s	±2%
Water temperature at inlet of post-heating coil	$T_{SW,PostHC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water temperature at outlet of post-heating coil	$T_{RW,PostHC}$	-10÷60 °C	±0.3 °C
Water mass flowrate entering the post-heating coil	$\dot{m}_{W,PostHC}$	0÷0.65 l/s	±2%
Current of heat pump	A_{HP}	0÷30 A	±0.5% FS
Voltage of heat pump	V_{HP}	0÷280 V	±0.5% FS
Current of refrigerating system	A_{RS}	0÷30 A	±0.5% FS
Voltage of refrigerating system	V_{RS}	0÷280 V	±0.5% FS
Current of supply air fan	A_{SAF}	0÷15 A	±0.5% FS
Voltage of supply air fan	V_{SAF}	0÷280 V	±0.5% FS
Current of return air fan	A_{RAF}	0÷5 A	±0.5% FS
Voltage of return air fan	V_{RAF}	0÷280 V	±0.5% FS

Artificially implementable faults in the SENS i-Lab facility

- post-heating coil valve stuck (fully open)
 - post-heating coil valve stuck stuck (fully close)
 - post-heating coil valve stuck stuck (partially open - 0÷100%)
 - cooling coil valve stuck (fully open)
 - cooling coil valve stuck stuck (fully close)
 - cooling coil valve stuck stuck (partially open - 0÷100%)
 - pre-heating coil valve stuck (fully open)
 - pre-heating coil valve stuck stuck (fully close)
 - pre-heating coil valve stuck stuck (partially open - 0÷100%)
- Faults of valves**

- humidifier valve stuck (fully open)
 - humidifier valve stuck stuck (fully close)
 - humidifier valve stuck stuck (partially open/close)
- Faults of humidifier**

- supply air fan at fixed speed (0÷100%)
 - return air fan at fixed speed (0÷100%)
- Faults of fans**

- return air temperature positive/negative offset
 - return air relative humidity positive/negative offset
- sensor faults**

- outside air filter block fault
 - supply air filter block fault
- Faults of filters**

- outside air damper stuck (fully open)
 - outside air damper stuck (fully close)
 - outside air damper stuck (partially open/close)
 - return air damper stuck (fully open)
 - return air damper stuck (fully close)
 - return air damper stuck (partially open/close)
 - exhaust air damper stuck (fully open)
 - exhaust air damper stuck (fully close)
 - exhaust air damper stuck (partially open/close)
 - heat recovery system air damper stuck (fully open)
 - heat recovery system air damper stuck (fully close)
- Faults of dampers**



Lesson Learned and future perspectives

- Despite off-line tests are essential for assessing the reliability of data analytics processes, aspects related to data volume, computational cost, updating of models, decline in accuracy are often neglected.
- Through the experimental facility and the experimental campaign, it will be possible to deploy FDD algorithms in a controlled environment and assess their effectiveness in real conditions.
- **The data-driven ADD/FDD tools need a proper amount of data for their deployment.** In this context a Knowledge driven-based approach can introduce domain knowledge and user experience into the analytical process, especially in the case initial information is not enough for deploying a data analytics-based FDD/ADD tool. A perfect integration of both approaches can significantly improve robustness, accuracy, and generalizability of FDD tools.



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