# Al and Energy Transition Principles of Al and use in energy applications



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## **Energy Transition comes with critical challenges**

Efficiency calls for resolving all kinds of conflicts: technical, environmental, social, economical, political

### The innovation alphabet

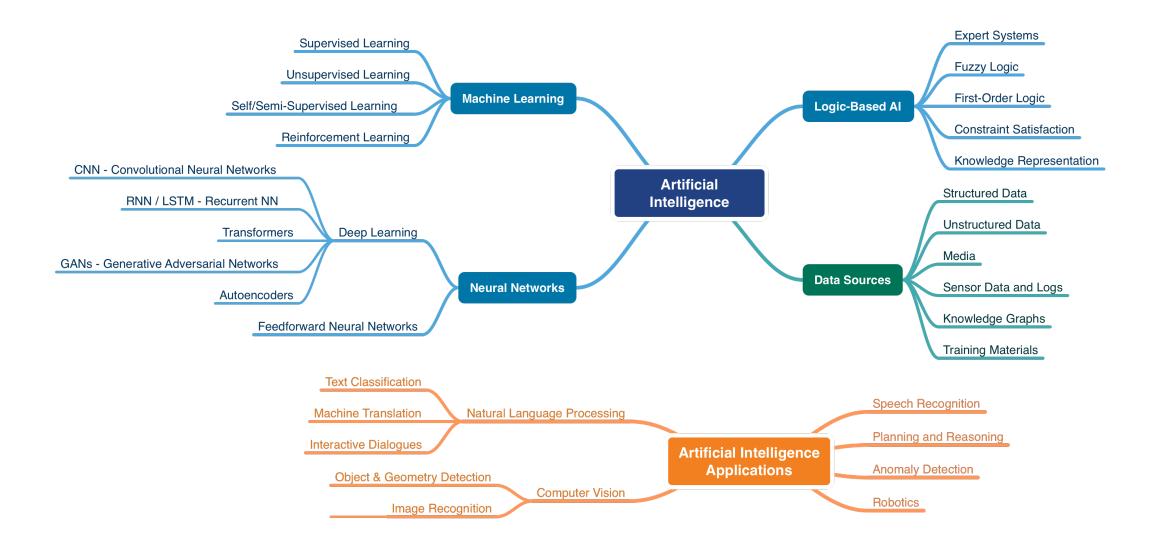
- Al and related technologies  $\succ$  Optimization, forecasting, classification, ...
- Blockchain applications
- Cloud-based services
- Data science

- Distributed intelligence + trust, tokenization
- Infrastructures, IoT
- Data semantics, timeseries management

### Keywords: integration, inter-disciplinarity, personalization, hype

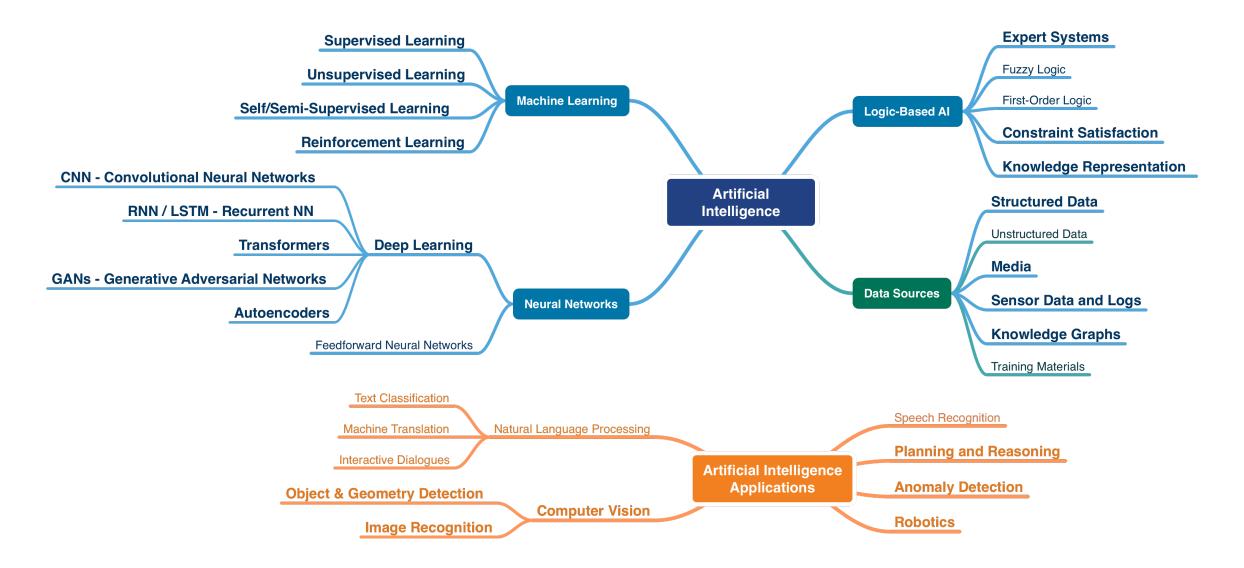


## A (very) rough map of AI-related technologies

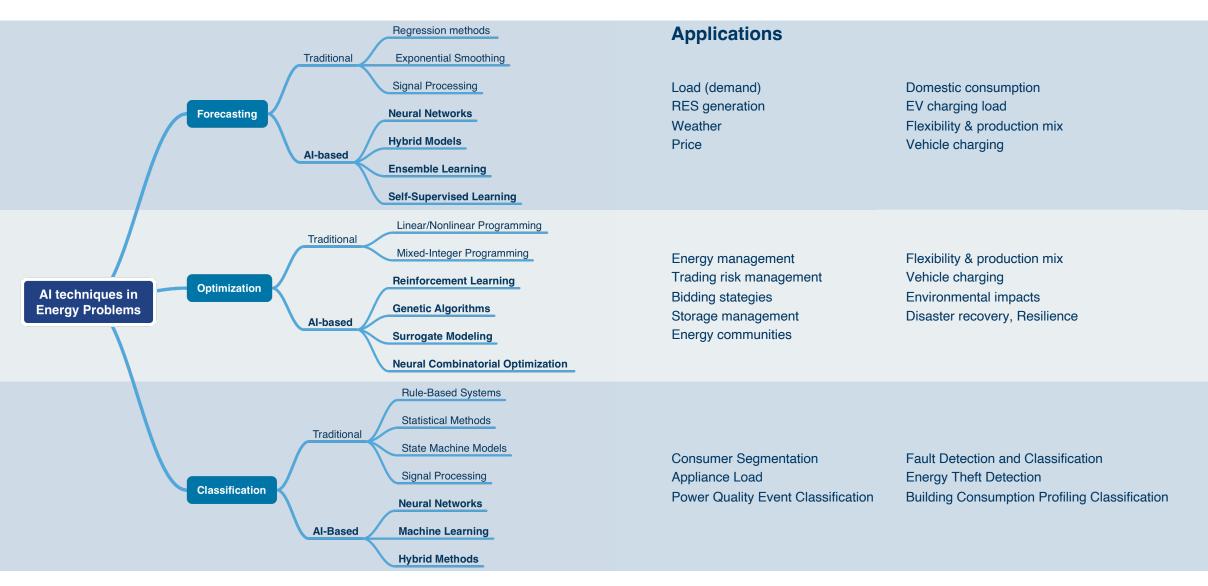




## **AI-related technologies: focus on Energy**

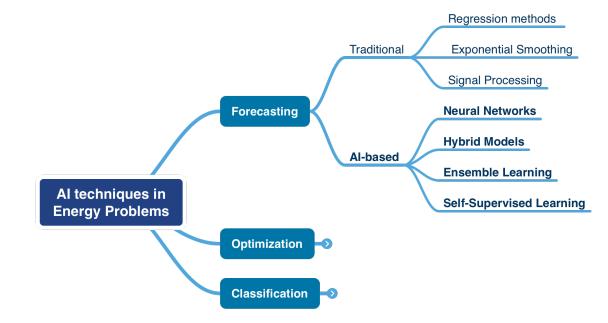






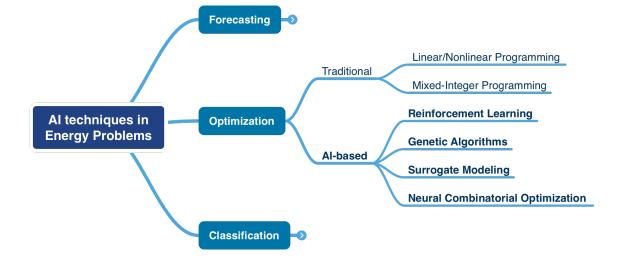
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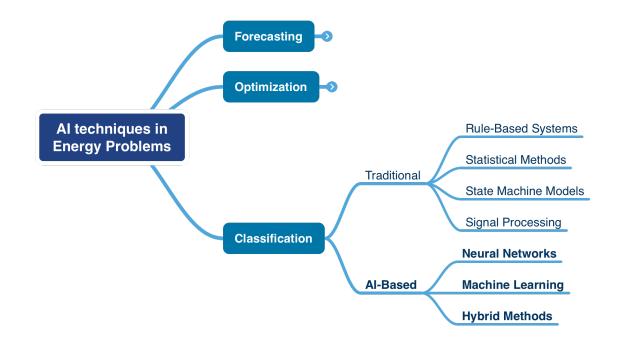
### Applications – forecasting

- Load (demand)
- RES generation
- Weather
- Price
- Domestic consumption
- EV charging load
- Flexibility & production mix
- Vehicle charging



### Applications – optimization

- Energy management
- Trading risk management
- Bidding strategies
- Storage management
- Energy communities
- Flexibility & production mix
- Vehicle charging
- Automatic control
- Environmental impacts
- Disaster recovery, Resilience



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### Applications – classification

- Consumer Segmentation
- Appliance Load
- Power Quality Event Classification
- Fault Detection and Classification
- Energy Theft Detection
- Building Consumption Profiling

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## **Case: hybrid storage management**

#### RES curtailments are here to stay

• Consider hybrid (BESS, H2) storage

#### **Optimization targets**

- Maximize revenue, minimize RES rejections
- RES & BESS CAPEX amortization

#### **Business value**

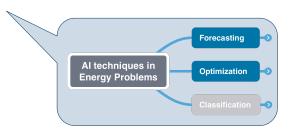
- Long-term planning, new incentives
- Policy and regulatory aspects
- Efficient planning and operation of RES
- New H2 business

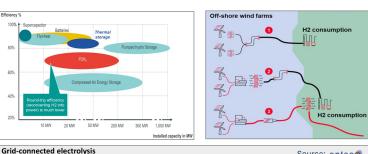
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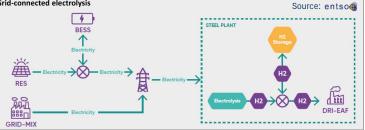
- Production & Price scenarios
- CAPEX & OPEX
- Dimensions and analysis time windows
- Constraints (market, technical, custom)

#### Output: Energy management to...

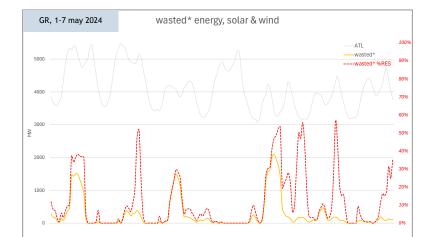
- Minimize curtailed RES
- Maximize H2 production
- Maximize revenue
- CAPEX amortization

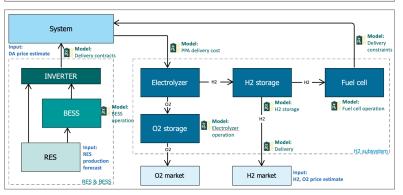


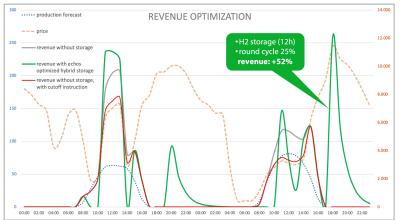








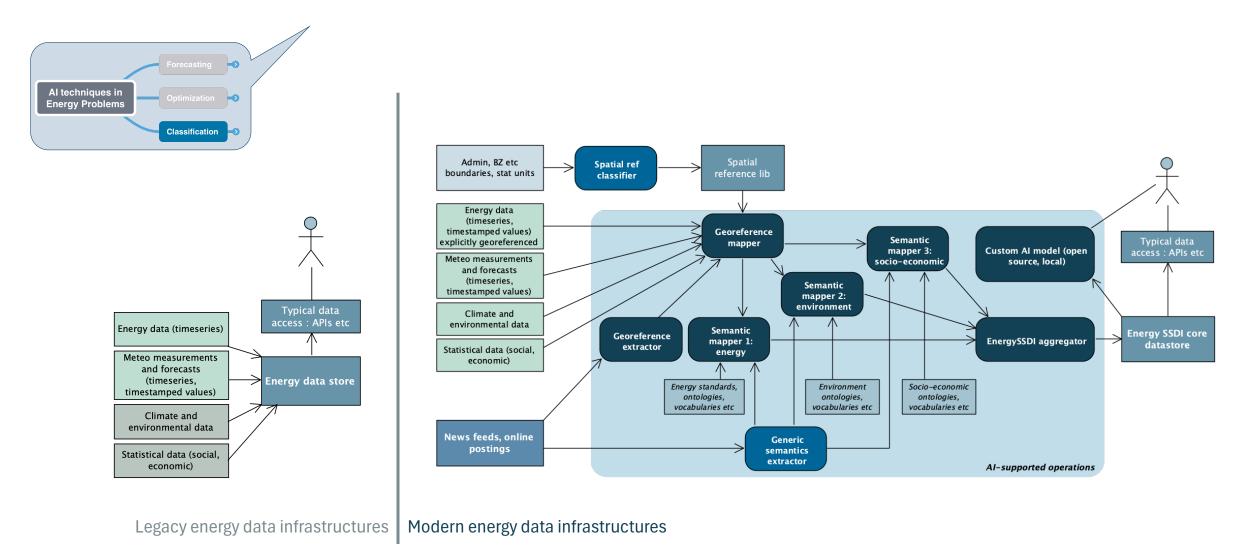




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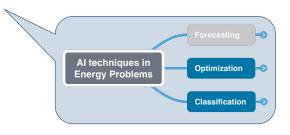
## **Case: Semantic Spatial Data Infrastructures for Energy**



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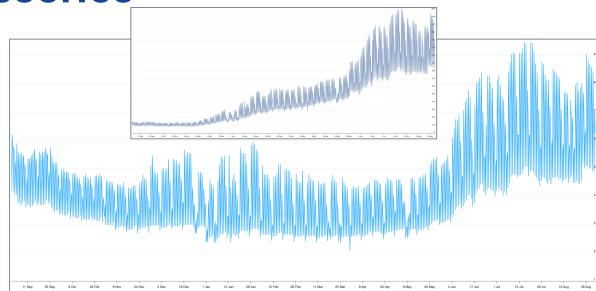
## **Case: Semantics of energy timeseries**

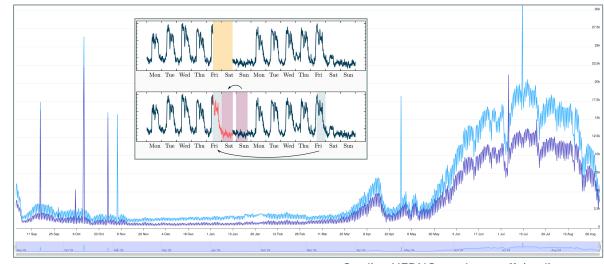


- Tools
- AI: NNs, ML
- Traditional signal processing methods

### Cases

- Consumer profiling & classification
- Timeseries Business Intelligence
- Regulatory decision support
- Context-aware sanitization
- Semantics-based timeseries imputation





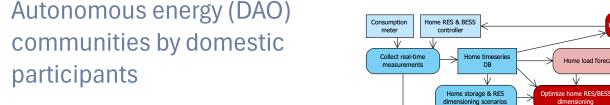
Credits: HEDNO regulatory affairs directorate,







- Virtual RES production from curtailments & PPAs
- Extensive data management



Home storage &

RES capex

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Domestic consumer

Domestic

physical RES

Energy retail

& wholesale

market prices

Micro-forecasting and optimization

participants

- Continuous profiling at consumer- and communitylevel
- Sharing of storage & physical home RES



Home load forecasting

dimensionin

Domestic consumer

**PowerSHARCS** 

Domestic consume

Virtual RES

storage

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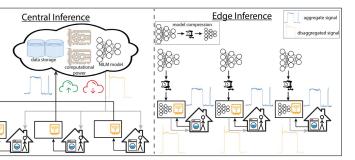
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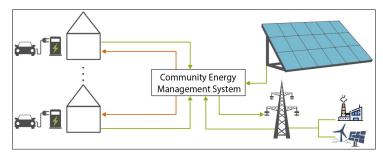
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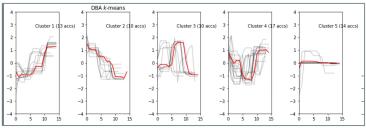
Energy Problems

Forecasting

Optimization

Classification





Credits: PowerSHARCS proposal (NTUA, QUBITEQ), Avocado Al

**Case: intelligent energy communities** 

### Concept



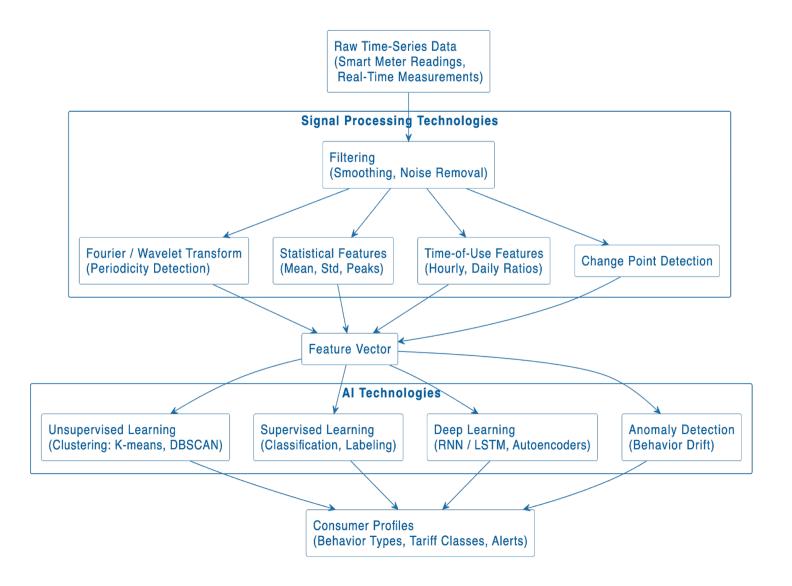
## AI + Signal Processing for Energy Profiling

### Signal processing for...

- Timeseries management
- Noise removal
- Imputation
- Feature extraction

### Al for...

- Forecasting
- Classification
- Optimization





## Notable points

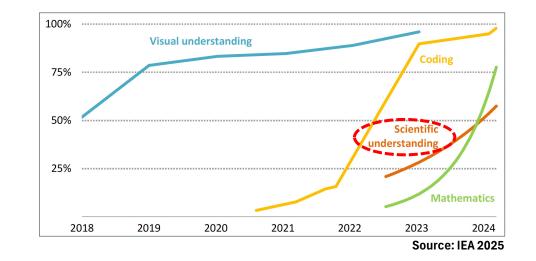
### Al is very relevant, but it is not a panacea

- Al tariff models are still to be discovered
- QA, liability and ethics of AI
- Need for domain-based assessment of AI tools
- Marketing + politics = hype

### Traditional methods are not dead

- Current technologies (signal processing, optimization methods, etc) still are, and will always be relevant
- Existing & working solutions should still be used, possibly together with AI

### Quality of data is a key issue in both AI and traditional methods





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