



**AI PHASE 1**

**PROBLEM DEFINITION AND  
DESIGN THINKING**

# **MEASURE ENERGY CONSUMPTION**

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## Problem Definition

The problem at hand is to create an automated system that measures energy consumption, analyzes the data, and provides visualizations for informed decision-making. This solution aims to enhance efficiency, accuracy, and ease of understanding in managing energy consumption across various sectors.

## Design Thinking

To address the problem of measuring energy consumption and providing valuable insights, we will follow a structured approach as outlined below:

### DATA SOURCE

#### Objective:

Identify an available dataset containing energy consumption measurements.

#### Approach:

**Data Collection:** Identify and collect relevant data sources, which may include historical energy consumption data, sensor data, or utility bills.

**Data Quality Check:** Assess data quality, ensuring completeness, accuracy, and consistency.

**Data Integration:** Integrate data from multiple sources if necessary, to create a comprehensive dataset.

### DATA PREPROCESSING

#### Objective:

Clean, transform, and prepare the dataset for analysis.

#### Approach:

**Data Cleaning:** Address missing values, duplicate entries, and outliers.

**Data Transformation:** Convert data into a suitable format for analysis, which may include normalization or scaling.

**Data Imputation:** Impute missing values using appropriate techniques.

**Data Aggregation:** Aggregate data at an appropriate granularity (e.g., hourly, daily, monthly) as required.

## FEATURE EXTRACTION

### Objective:

Extract relevant features and metrics from the energy consumption data.

### Approach:

**Feature Selection:** Identify the most relevant features for analysis, such as total consumption, peak usage, and consumption trends.

**Feature Engineering:** Create new features that may provide valuable insights, e.g., average daily consumption or seasonal patterns.

**Dimensionality Reduction:** Apply dimensionality reduction techniques if necessary to reduce complexity.

## MODEL DEVELOPMENT

### Objective:

Utilize statistical analysis to uncover trends, patterns, and anomalies in the data.

### Approach:

**Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):** Perform EDA to understand the data's characteristics, identify outliers, and visualize preliminary insights.

**Statistical Models:** Develop statistical models (e.g., regression, time series analysis) to analyze energy consumption trends and make predictions.

**Anomaly Detection:** Implement anomaly detection techniques to identify unusual consumption patterns that may indicate issues or opportunities for optimization.

**Machine Learning:** Explore machine learning algorithms for more advanced analysis if needed.

## VISUALIZATION

### Objective:

Develop visualizations (graphs, charts) to present the energy consumption trends and insights.

### Approach:

**Data Visualization:** Create interactive visualizations using tools like Matplotlib, Seaborn, or Plotly to represent consumption patterns, trends, and anomalies.

**Dashboard Creation:** Design dashboards that provide real-time or periodic updates on energy consumption and related metrics.

**User-Friendly Interface:** Ensure the visualizations are user-friendly, intuitive, and accessible to various stakeholders.

## AUTOMATION

### Objective:

Build a script that automates data collection, analysis, and visualization processes.

### Approach:

**Script Development:** Develop scripts or code pipelines using programming languages like Python to automate data collection, preprocessing, modeling, and visualization.

**Schedule Automation:** Implement scheduled tasks to ensure periodic data updates and analyses.

**Alerts and Notifications:** Set up alerts and notifications for critical events, such as abnormal consumption spikes or data source failures.

**Scalability:** Ensure the system can handle large datasets and scale as needed.

By following this structured approach, we aim to create a robust system that not only measures energy consumption but also empowers stakeholders with actionable insights for better energy management and decision-making.