

# Machine Learning Applications

Energy Forecasting – Electric load forecasting by the example of a machine tool

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# The ETA-factory



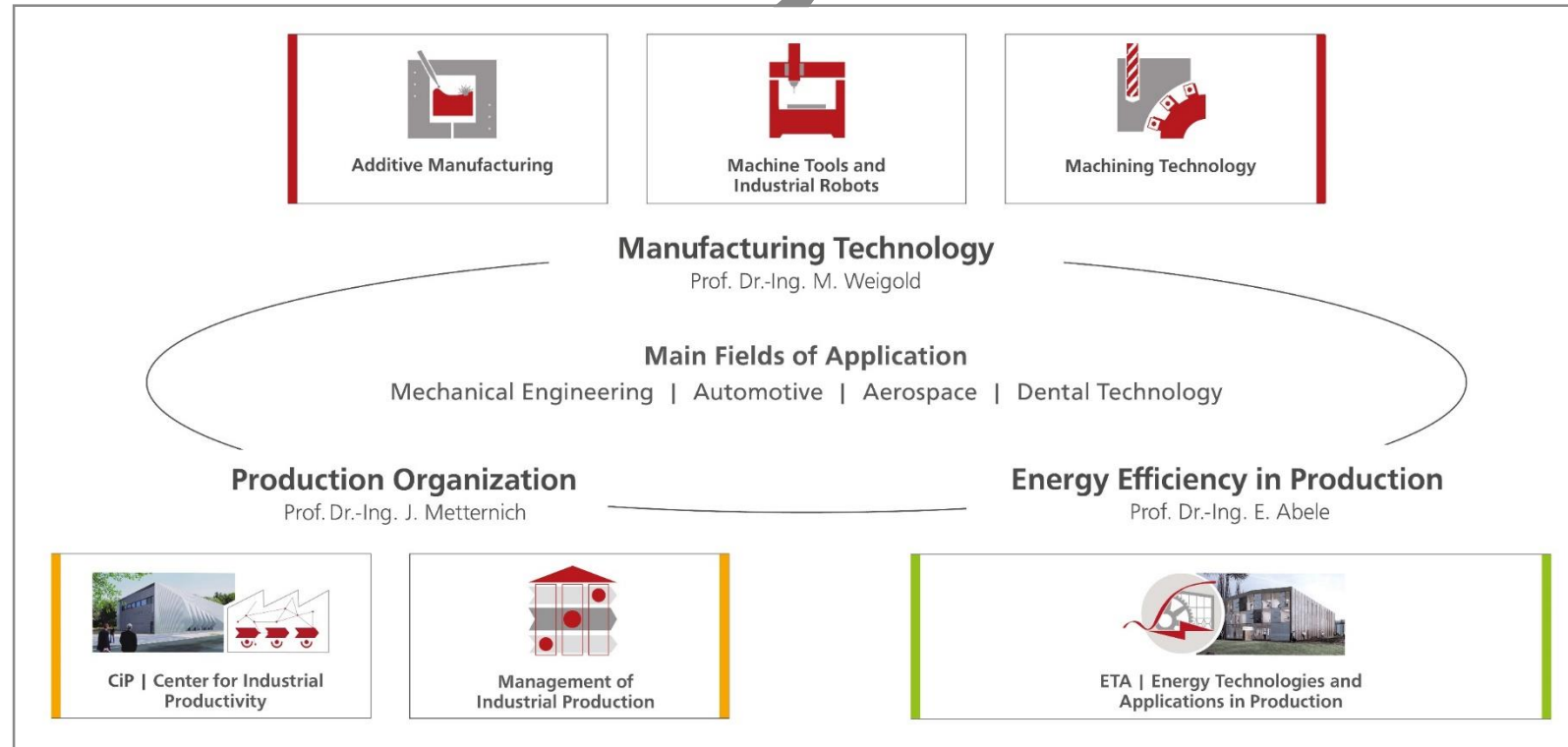
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# Research Group ETA

## Energy Technologies and Applications in Production



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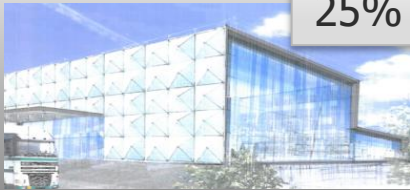
# The Challenge

Holistic increase of the Energy Efficiency



**Today: Isolated optimization of different sub-systems of a factory**

## Building



25%

Quelle: Prof. Dipl.-Ing. J. Eisele

## Building services



20%

## Machine



30%



Savings

< **30 %**

**Our vision: Holistic factory optimization including all sub-systems**



## Interaction of:

- Machines
- Building services
- Buildings

**Synergies by energy controlling and recovery measures**



Potential

~ **40 %**

# The interdisciplinary ETA research group

## Energy Technologies and Applications in Production



Research Fields: Energy Efficiency // Energy Flexibility // Resource Efficiency in production

Software-oriented



### Artificial Intelligence for Energy Systems

- Autonomous measuring systems
- Optimum control
- Optimum scheduling
- Intelligent Agents
- Energy Assistance Systems



### Simulation of Energy Systems

- Object-oriented modeling
- System Identification
- Digital Twin
- Virtual Commissioning
- Digital Planning Tools



### Energy management & monitoring

- Prediction Systems
- Energy Performance Indicators
- Condition & Quality Monitoring
- ICT-Infrastructure
- Data Acquisition Systems

Hardware-oriented



### Energy-optimized machine

Machining // Cleaning // Heat Treatment // Process Engineering

- Energy Recuperation
- New & existing project planning
- Cross-sectional Technology Benchmarks
- Energy Analyses

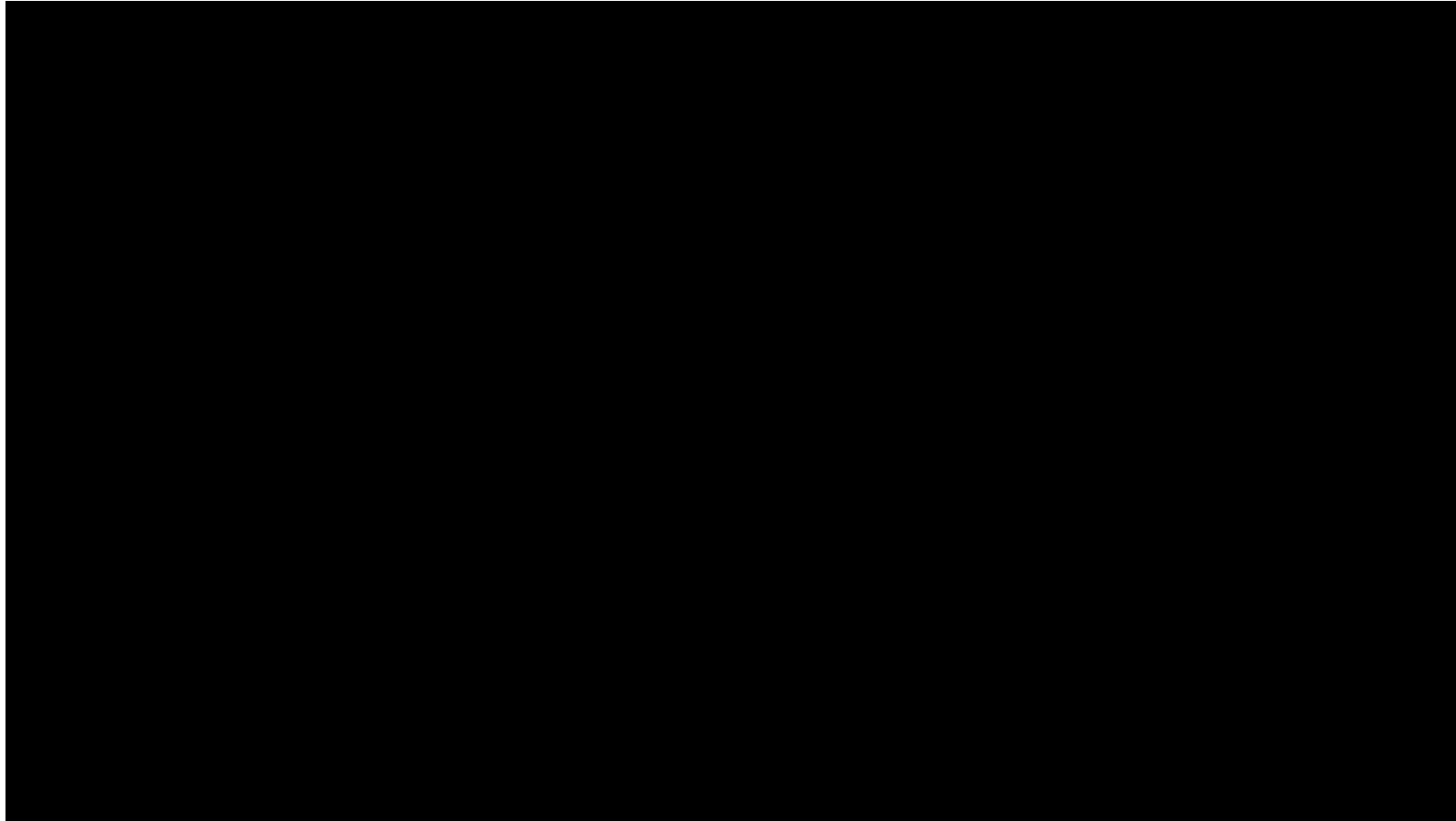


### Energy-optimized supply systems

Cooling // Heating // Compressed Air // Air Conditioning // Ventilation

- Energy Recovery, Storage & Networks
- Topologies & Dimensioning
- Technology Benchmarks
- Energy system analyses

Transfer // Education



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# Learning objectives



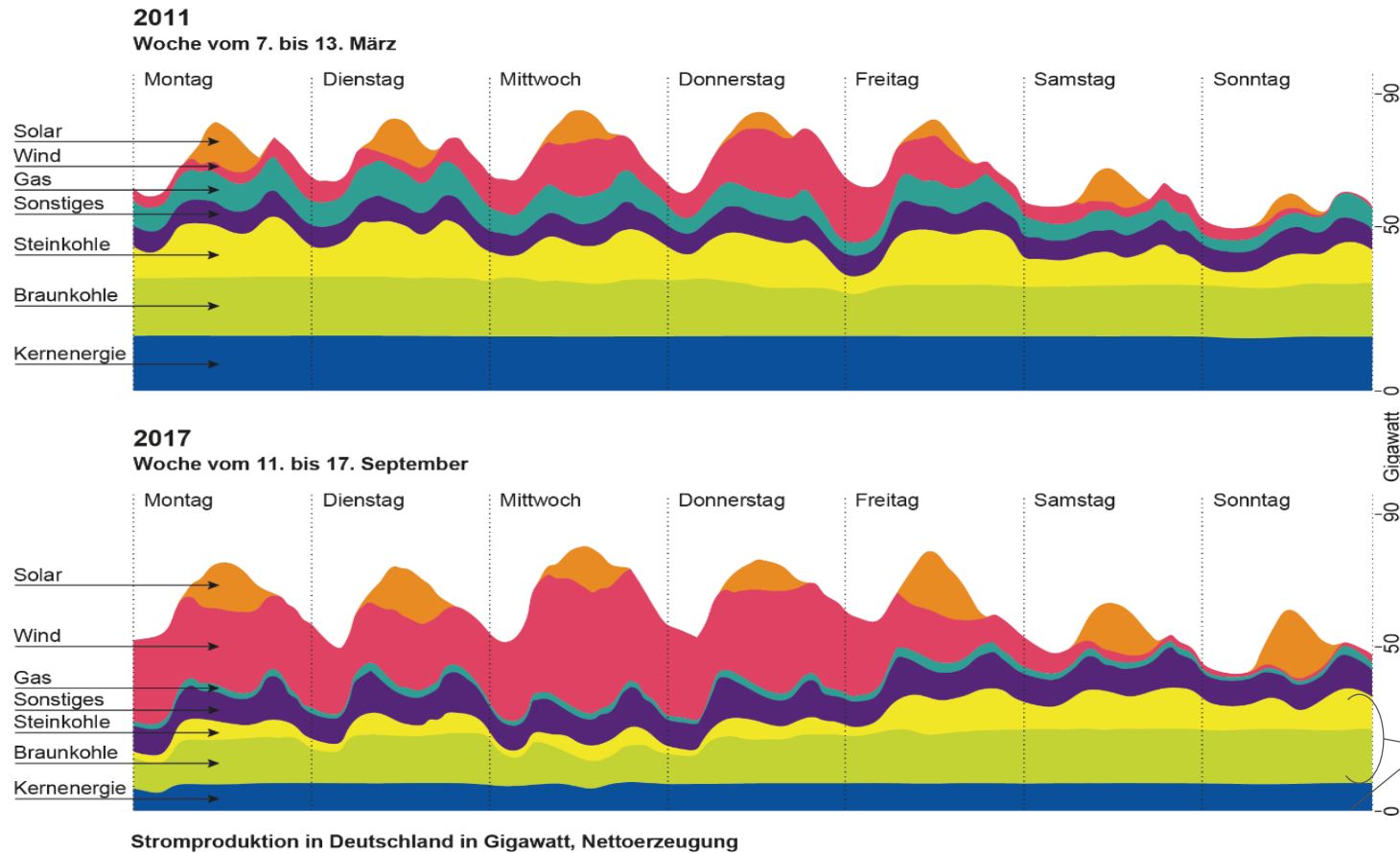
- General understanding: classification of forecasting in Machine Learning, delimitation of prediction
- Know the peculiarities of time series
- Know tools and algorithms for time-series-specific data preprocessing and forecasting
- Know metrics for the evaluation of the forecast quality and be able to name advantages and disadvantages in each case
- Be able to name forecasting applications in mechanical engineering and know typical problems and their solutions in implementation

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# Progress of the Energy Transition since Fukushima



**2019: 40,4% Renewable Energy (RE)**

2011: 19 %

**1 Hj.2019:**

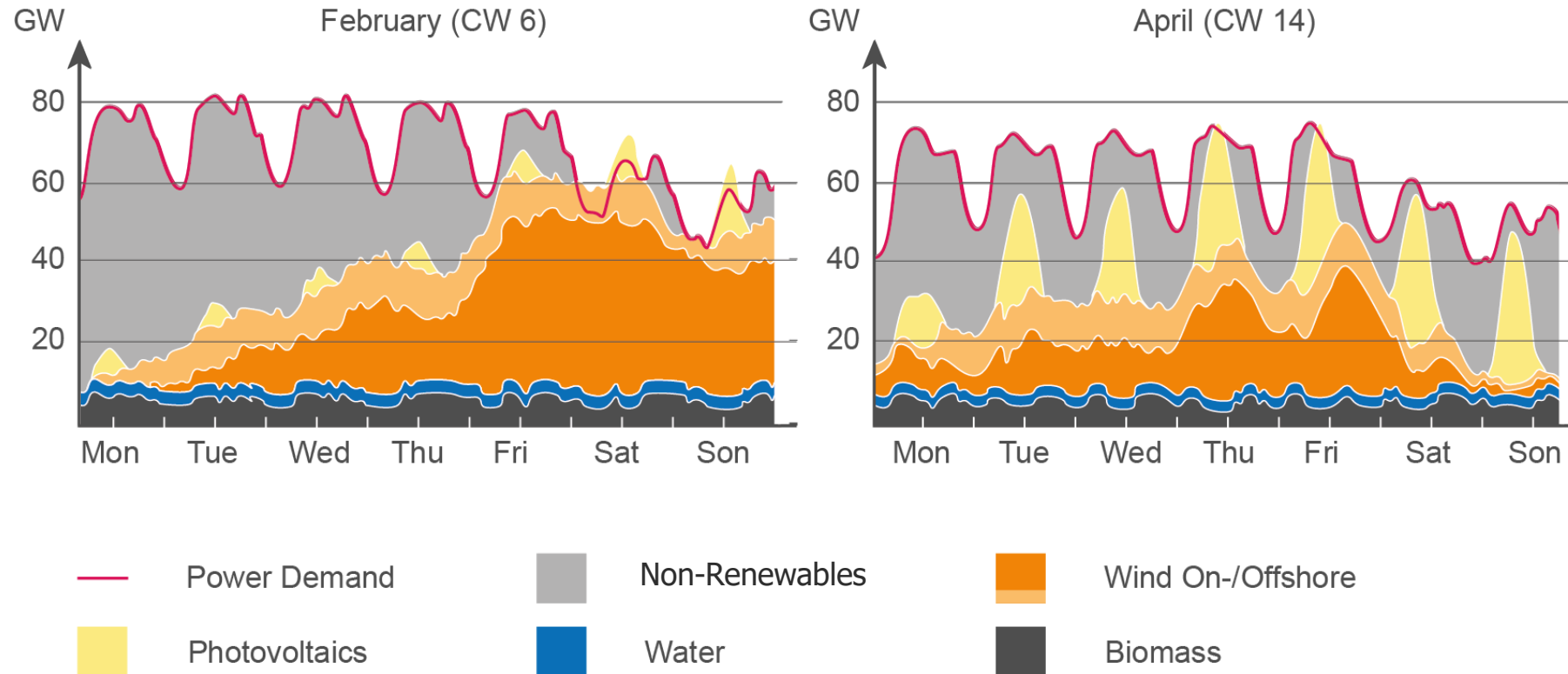
Contribution of RE to gross domestic electricity consumption: 290 billion kWh

2022: last nuclear power plant shut down

2038: last coal power plant shut down

# Challenges of the Energy Transition – Electric Power

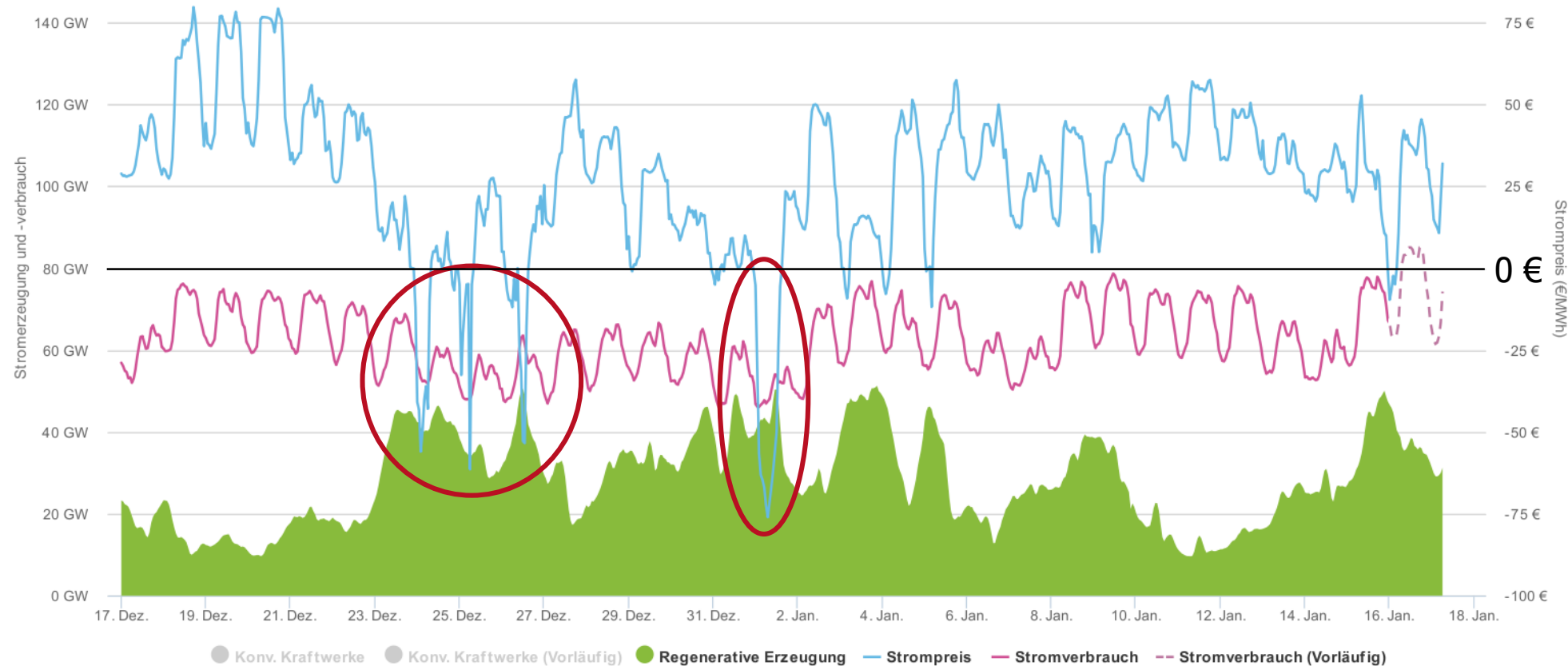
## Differences in Electric Power Demand and Electric Power Supply



Source: PTW, based on Agora Energiewende 2012



# Electricity prices fluctuate due to demand and supply

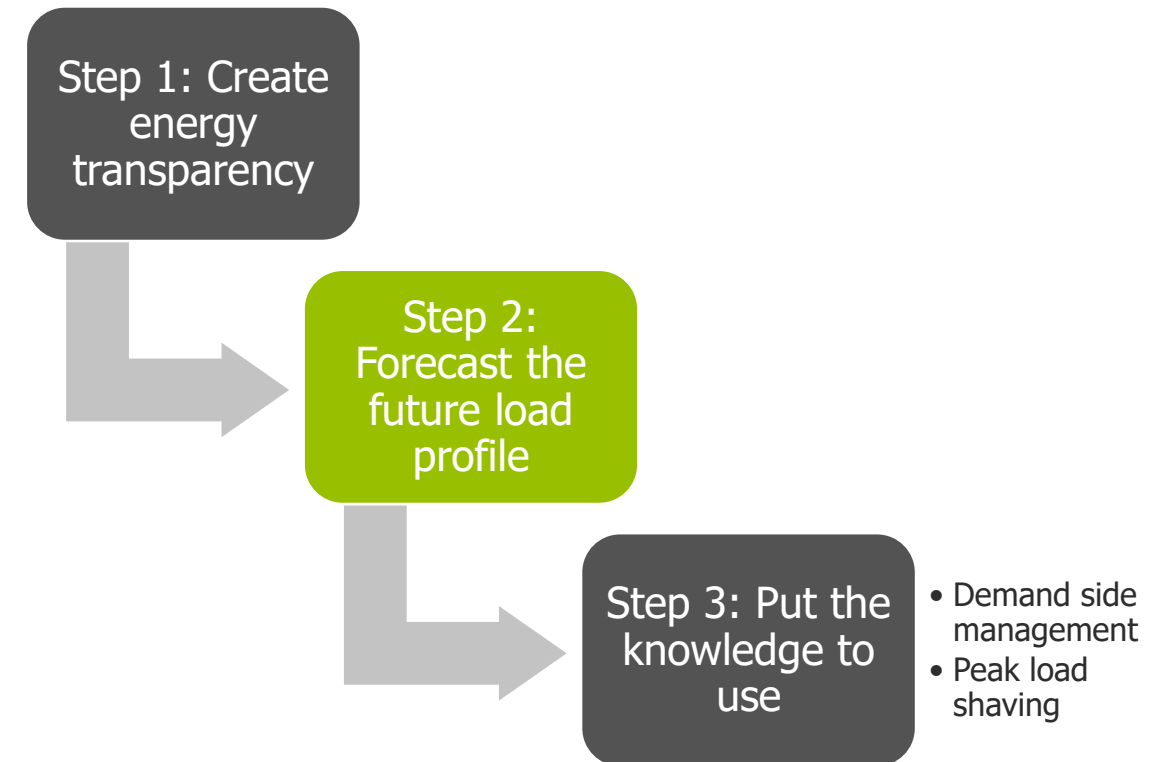


Agora Energiewende; Stand: 17.01.2018, 09:00

- Usual fluctuation of electricity prices by  $>20\text{€/MWh/d}$
- Negative electricity prices

# Energy forecasting in industry – why?

- Pricing structures and price fluctuations at the electricity market **force the industry to adapt their electric load profile** to the electricity supply
- The load profile of the factory is strongly influenced by the load profiles of the production machines inside the factory.
- Knowing the future load profile of the production machines enables us to control the load profile of the factory.



# Why use Machine Learning for forecasting?

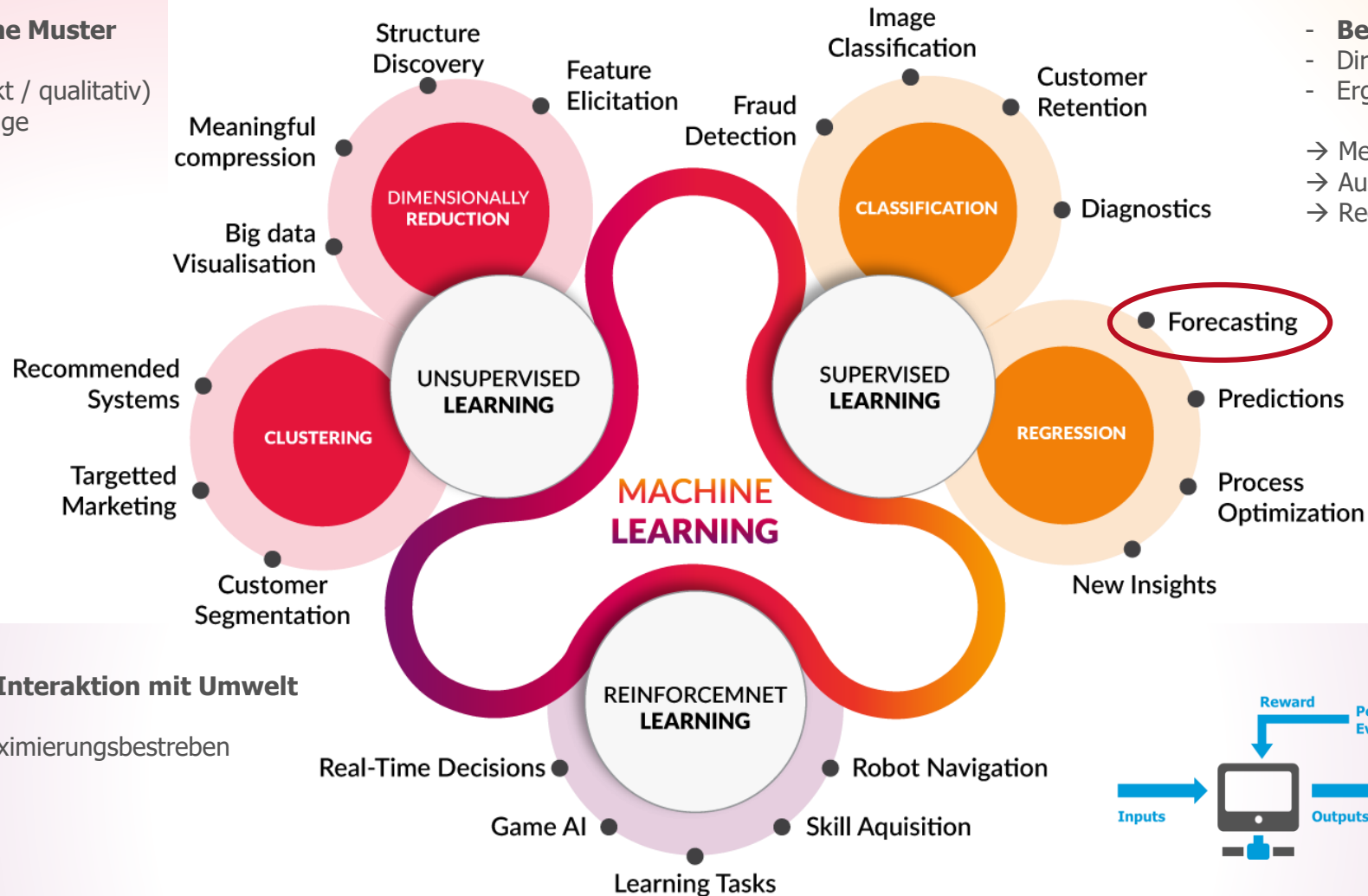
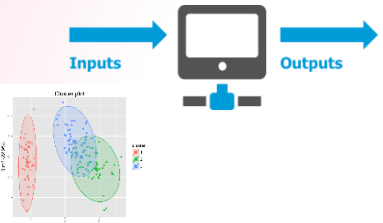
Advantages of Machine Learning	Possible drawbacks
Rising data availability through Industry 4.0 → Large data base	Data quality issues, installation of sensors necessary
More and better algorithms and rising computational power	Machine Learning expertise required (selection of algo's, parameters, data preparation)
Less domain expert knowledge required	Less model understanding
Forecasting based on real-time data (Forecasting horizon and sensitivity)	Continuous data acquisition and preparation necessary

# Energy forecasting in the Machine Learning ecosystem

## - Unbekannte, verborgene Muster erlernen

- Kein Feedback (nur indirekt / qualitativ)
- Keine spezifische Vorhersage

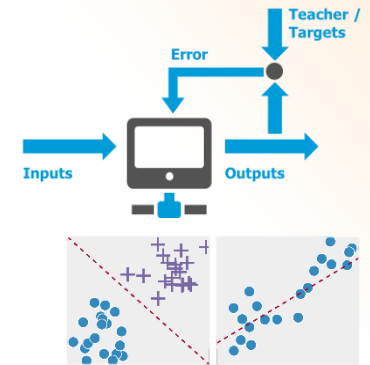
→ Gruppierung / Clustering



## - Bekannte Muster erlernen

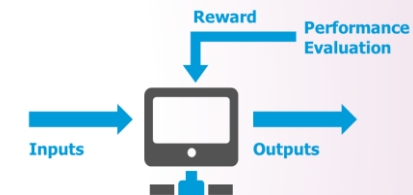
- Direktes Feedback
- Ergebnis/Zukunft vorhersagen

→ Merkmalsunterscheidung  
→ Ausreißer-Erkennung  
→ Regressionen



## - Muster erlernen durch Interaktion mit Umwelt

- Entscheidungsprozesse
- Belohnungssystem mit Maximierungsbestreben
- „künstliche Intelligenz“



Quelle: Smartbasegroup.com

# Forecasting vs. prediction

## Definition of terms



### Prediction:

- General term → predict an unknown value from known inputs
- Example: Prediction of the net income of households from house location, house size, number of rooms, ...

### Forecasting:

- Time related → forecast the future values of a time series
- Example: Weather forecast of tomorrow from current and past weather conditions, time of year, ...
- Challenge of forecasting in Machine Learning:
  - Feature engineering gets a second dimension: Time
    1. Model the exogenous, non-temporal features (the feature model)
    2. Model the historical, temporal features (the temporal model)
  - Therefore, the feature set often becomes much larger than in regular Machine Learning problems, which can evoke the “curse of dimensionality”



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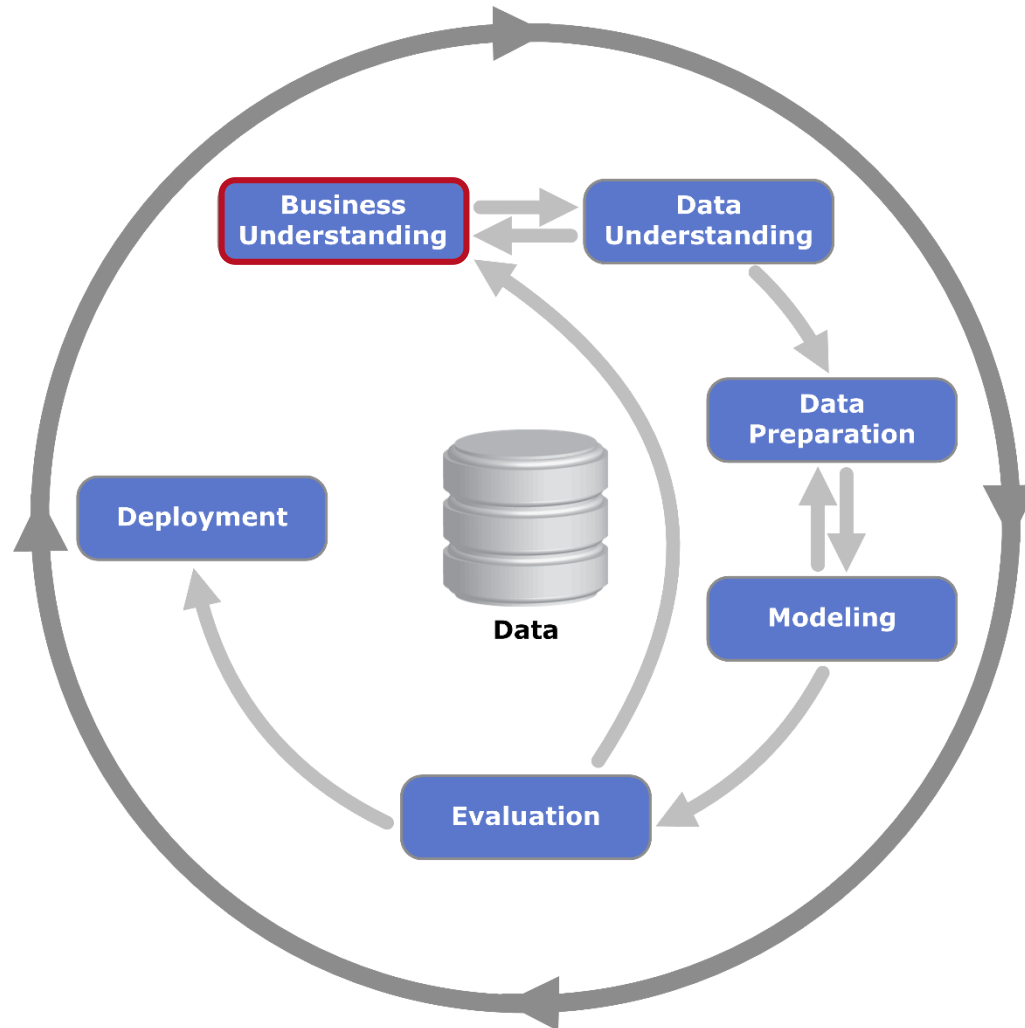


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# The CRISP-DM model



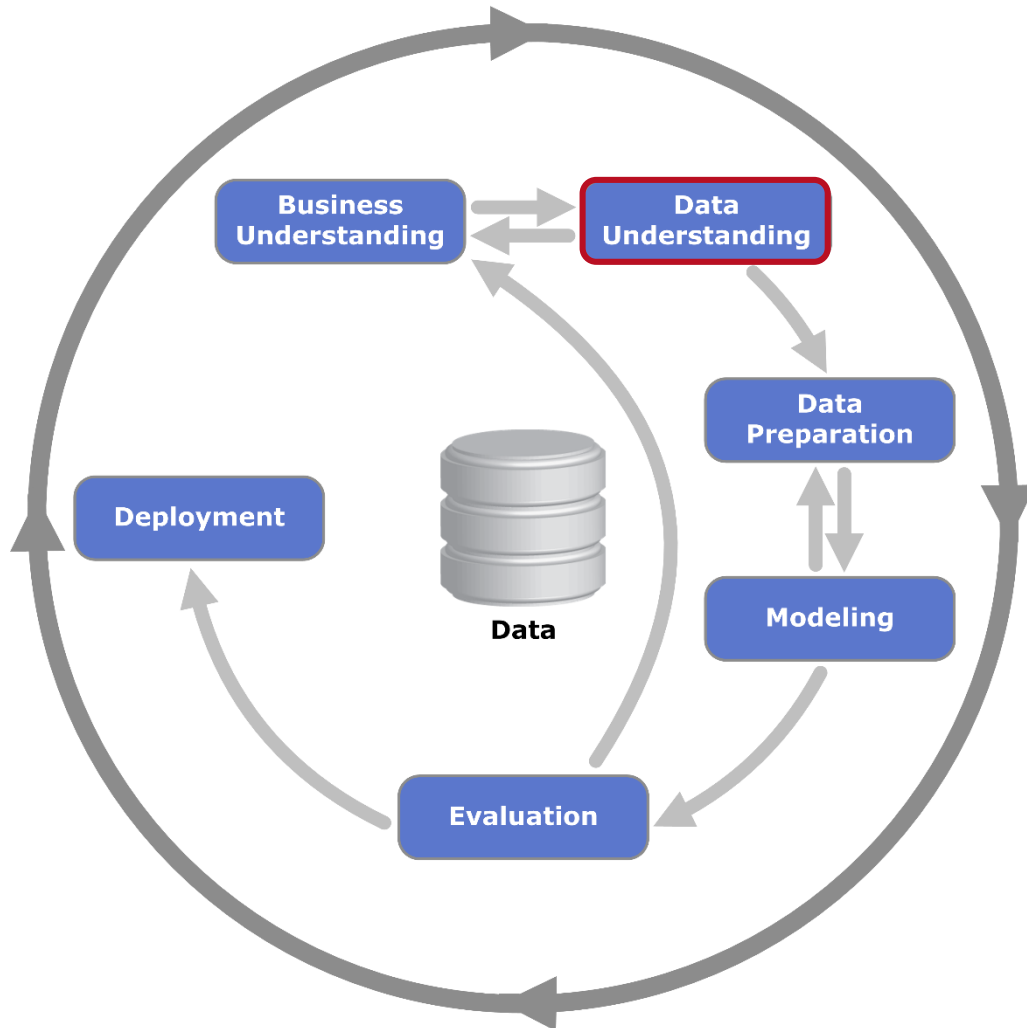
# The CRISP-DM model – Business understanding



## Use case: Load forecasting of a production machine

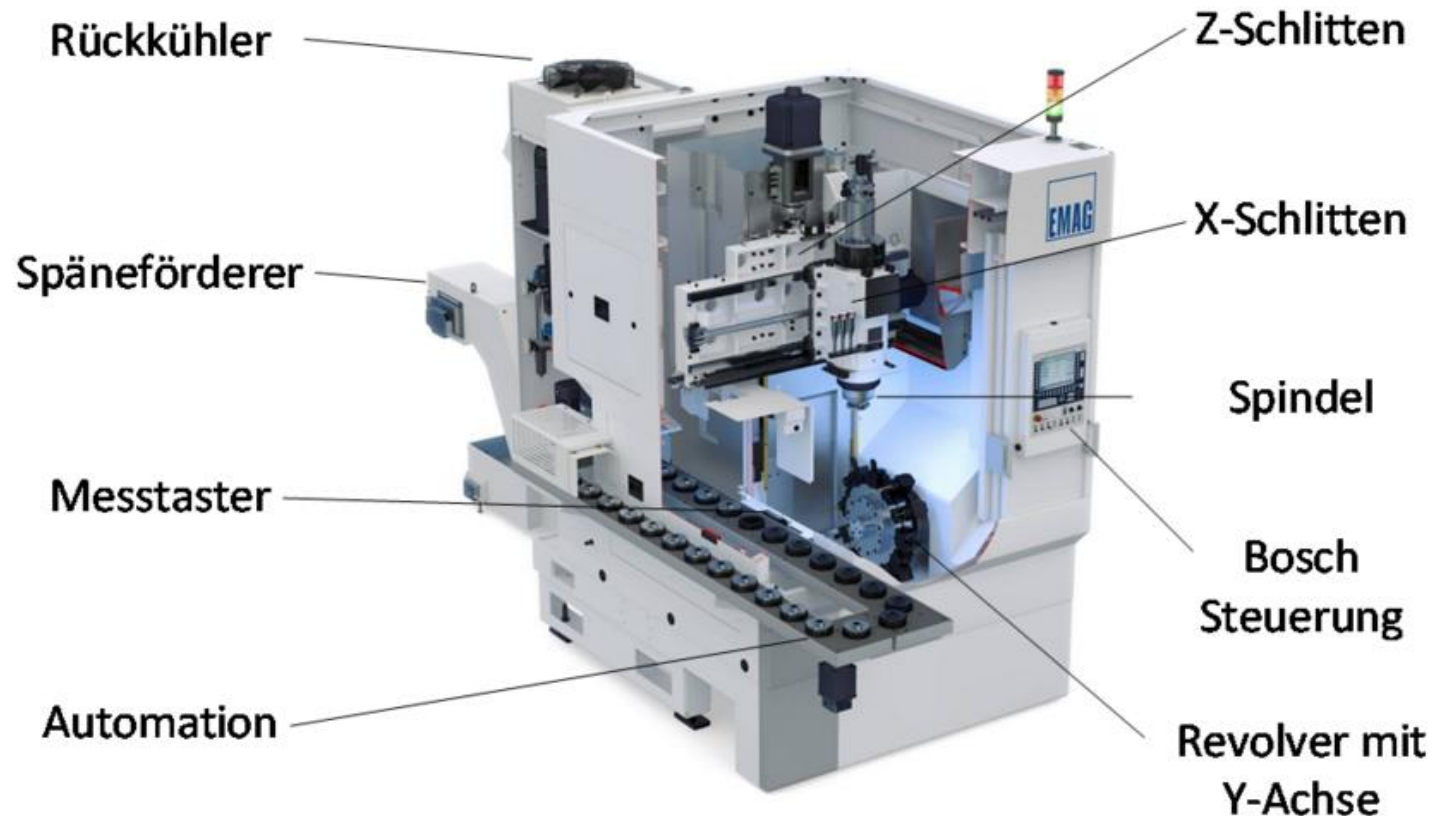
- **Business understanding:** Volatile energy market leads to need for better understanding of the demand side in industry to enable demand side management.
- **Business objective:** Forecast the active power of the machine tool EMAG VLC 100 GT
- **Model requirements:**
  - Forecasting horizon: 15 minutes
  - Time intervals: 1 second
  - The model requires minimal user input

# The CRISP-DM model – Data understanding



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The machine tool EMAG VLC 100 Y



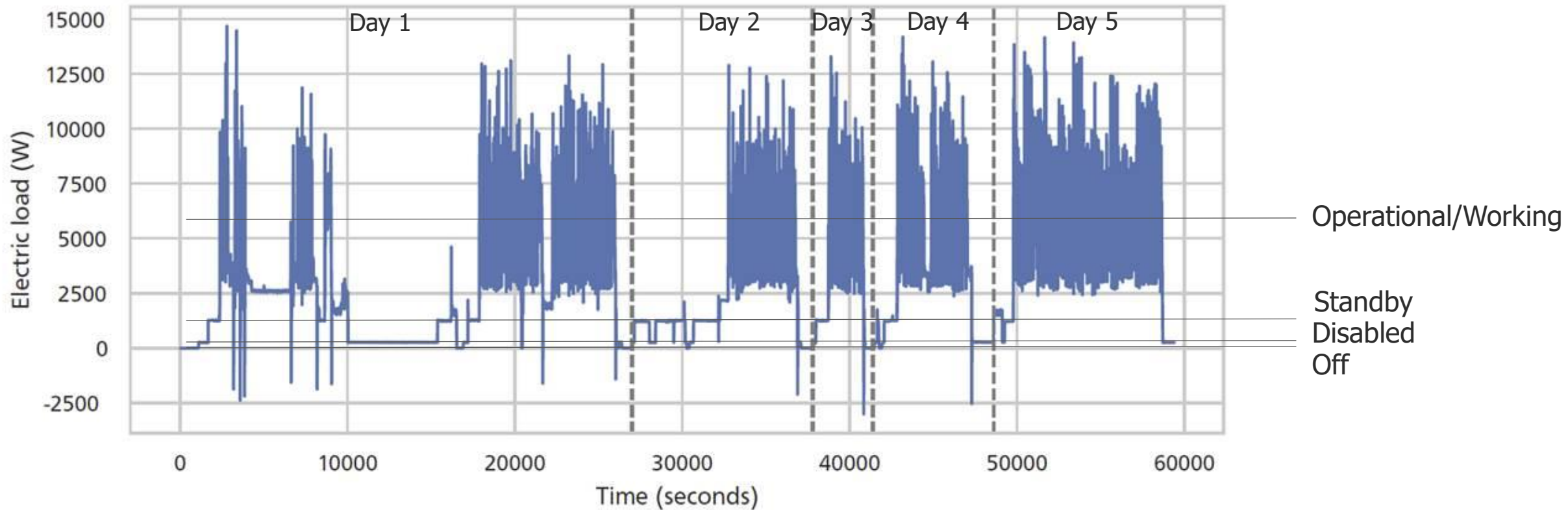
## Distinguish the different kinds of power in machine tools:

- Installed power – Dimensioning of the power connection
- **Active power (P) – Real, time-dependent power input to the machine**
- Reactive power (Q)
- Apparent power (S)
- Mechanical power – power output to the part (power after losses)



# The CRISP-DM model – Data understanding

## Active power of the machine tool - Data set



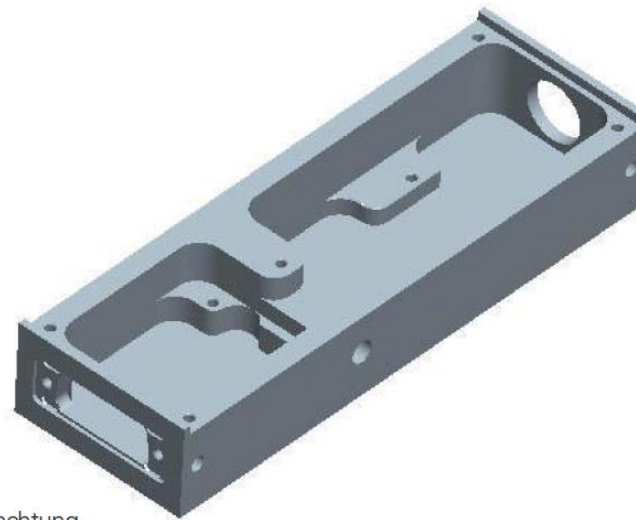
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## Breakdown of machine tool power consumption

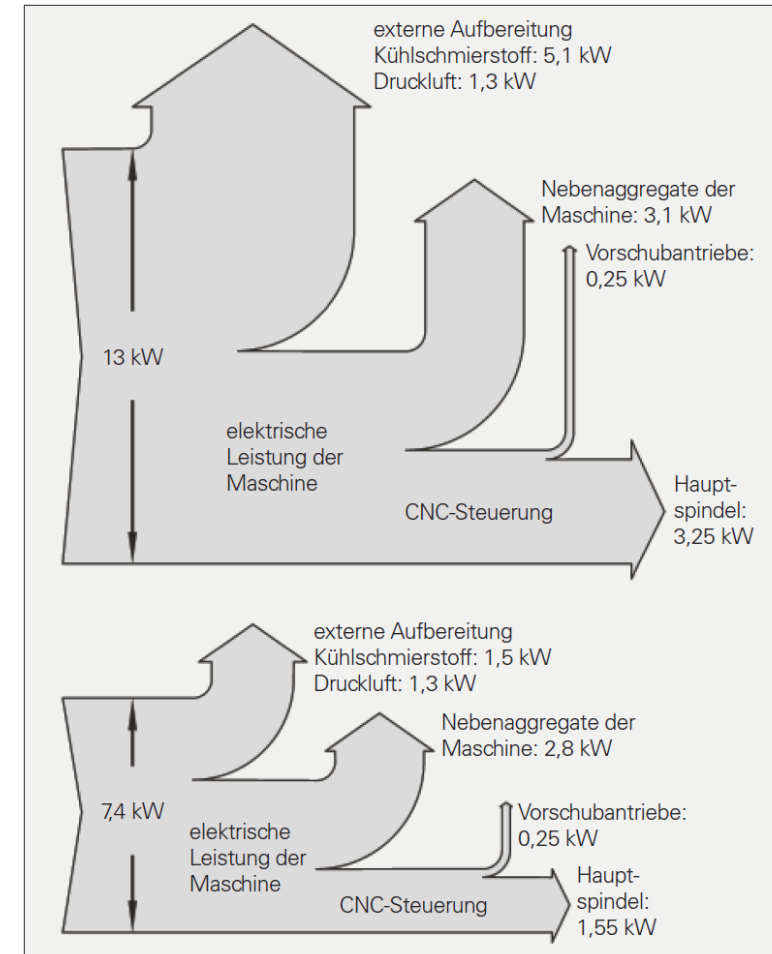
### Leistungsbedarf

Der Energiebedarf verteilt sich auf die Verbrauchergruppen

- Kühlschmierstoffaufbereitung,
- Druckluftherzeugung,
- elektrisch gespeiste Nebenaggregate
- CNC-Steuerungspaket mit Hauptspindel und Vorschubantrieben.



Gehäuse für die Betrachtung  
des Leistungsbedarfs eines Fräsprozesses

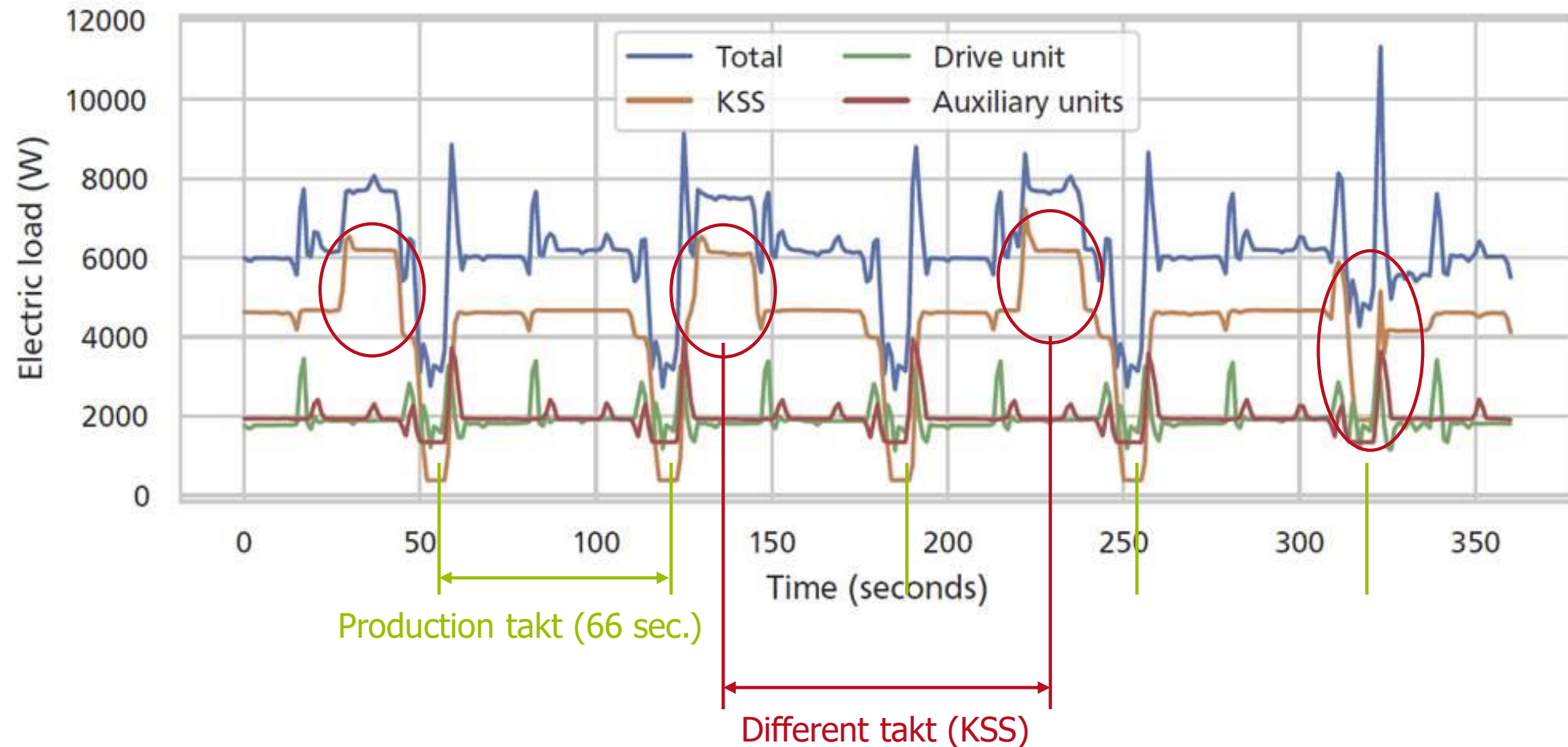


Mittlerer Leistungsbedarf für die Fertigung eines Gehäuseteils,  
oben: Schruppen, unten: Schlichten

Source: Heidenhain

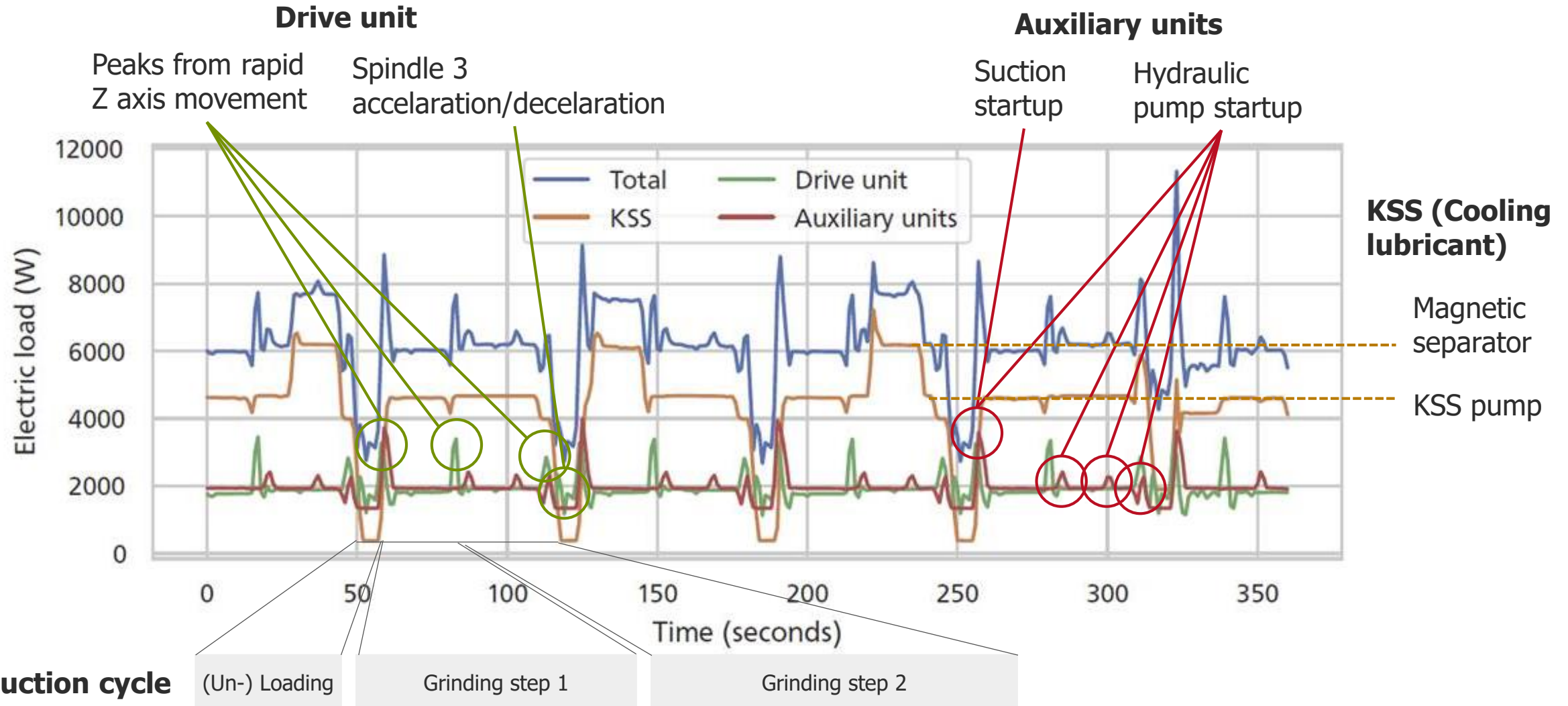
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## Breakdown of machine tool power consumption, time dimension



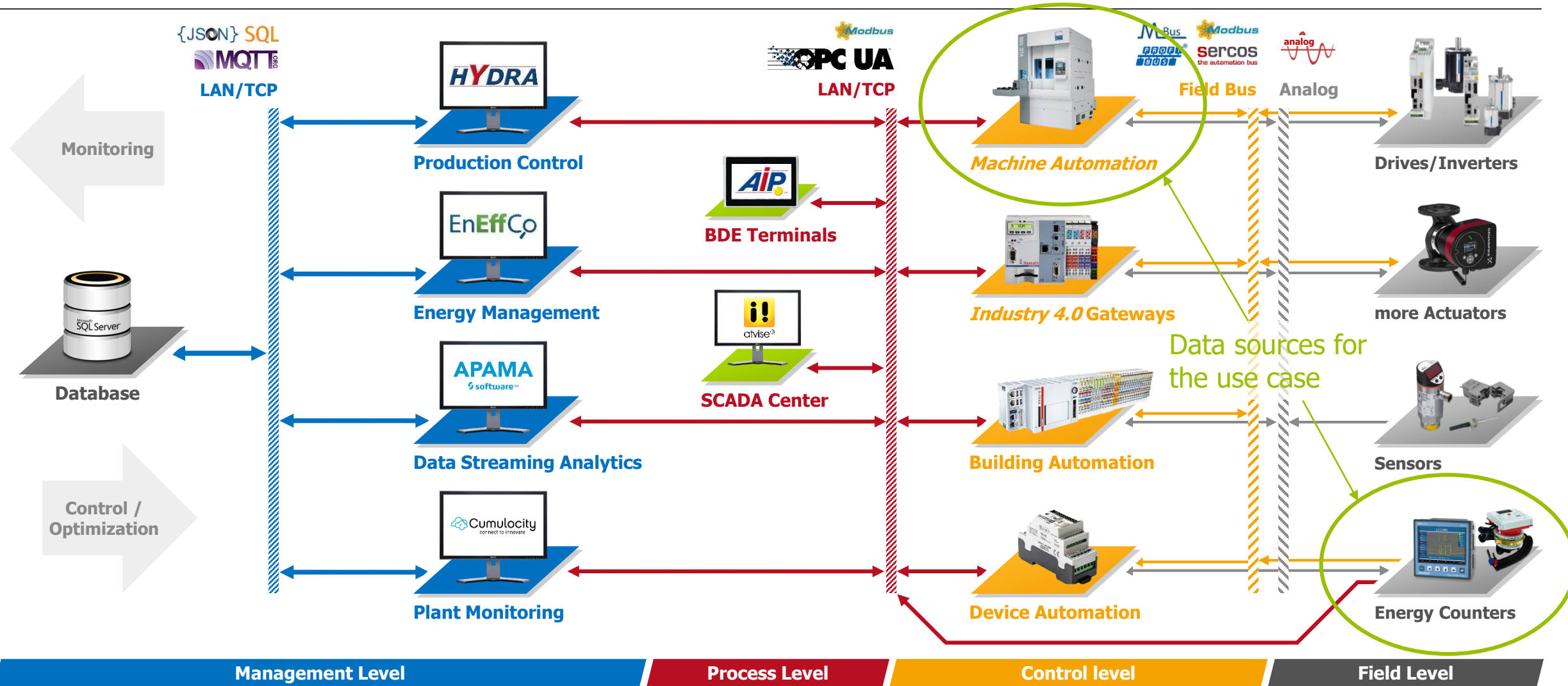
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Zoom in zoom out

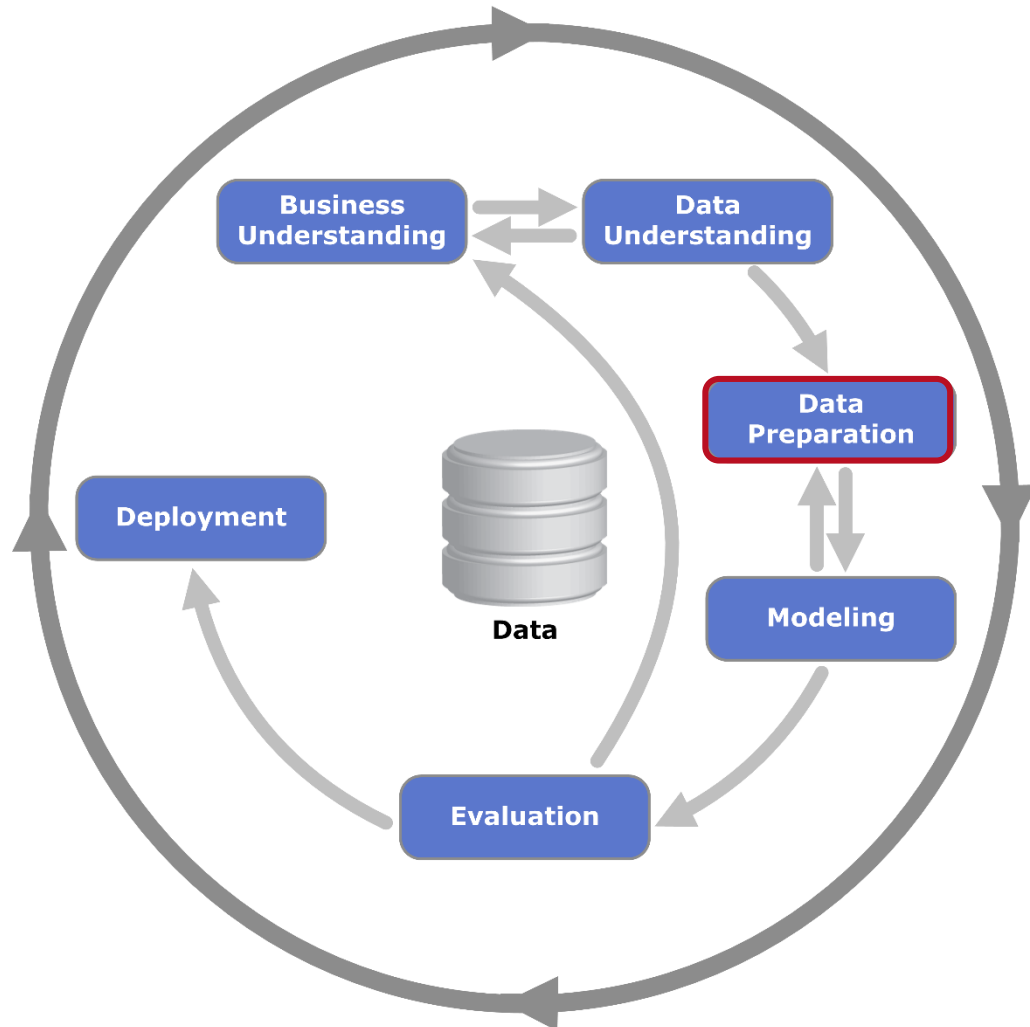


# The CRISP-DM model – Data understanding

## Data Flows and Interfaces in the ETA-Factory



# The CRISP-DM model – Data Preparation





# The CRISP-DM model – Data understanding

## Peculiarities of time series



- The values have a strong time dependency (autocorrelation)
  - Different splitting into training, validation and test data required
    - Test data must always be future values to ensure generalization capability of the model
    - No shuffling to prevent mixing future and past values
  - Preparation for supervised learning needed
    - Target must be time shifted so that the model learns the future behavior from the current/past inputs
  - Different feature engineering required
    1. Model the exogenous, non-temporal features (the feature model)
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# The CRISP-DM model – Data Preparation

## Splitting into test, validation and training set

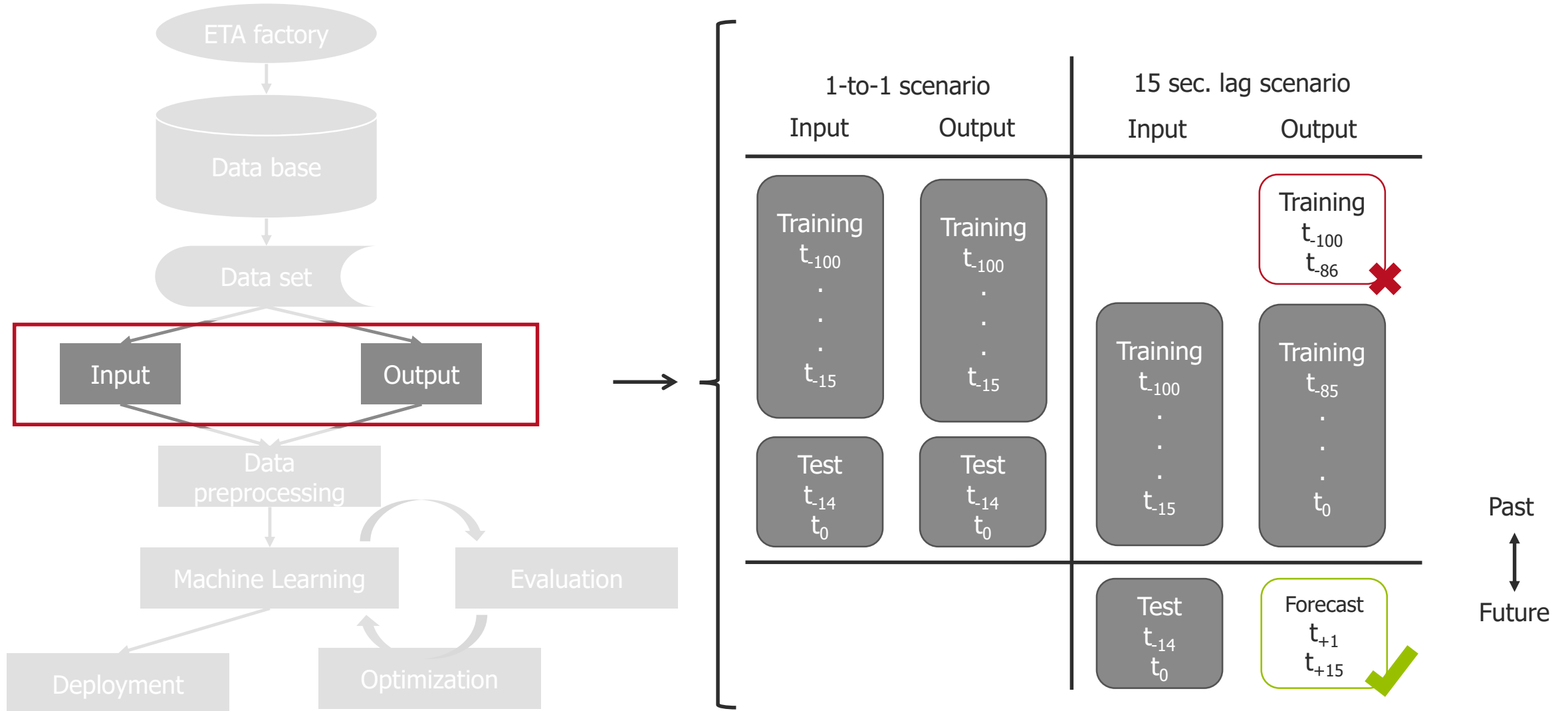


- Time series values are strongly dependent on values that are close in time
- Therefore, the test/validation set should always be a set of future values
- No shuffling to prevent mixing future and past values



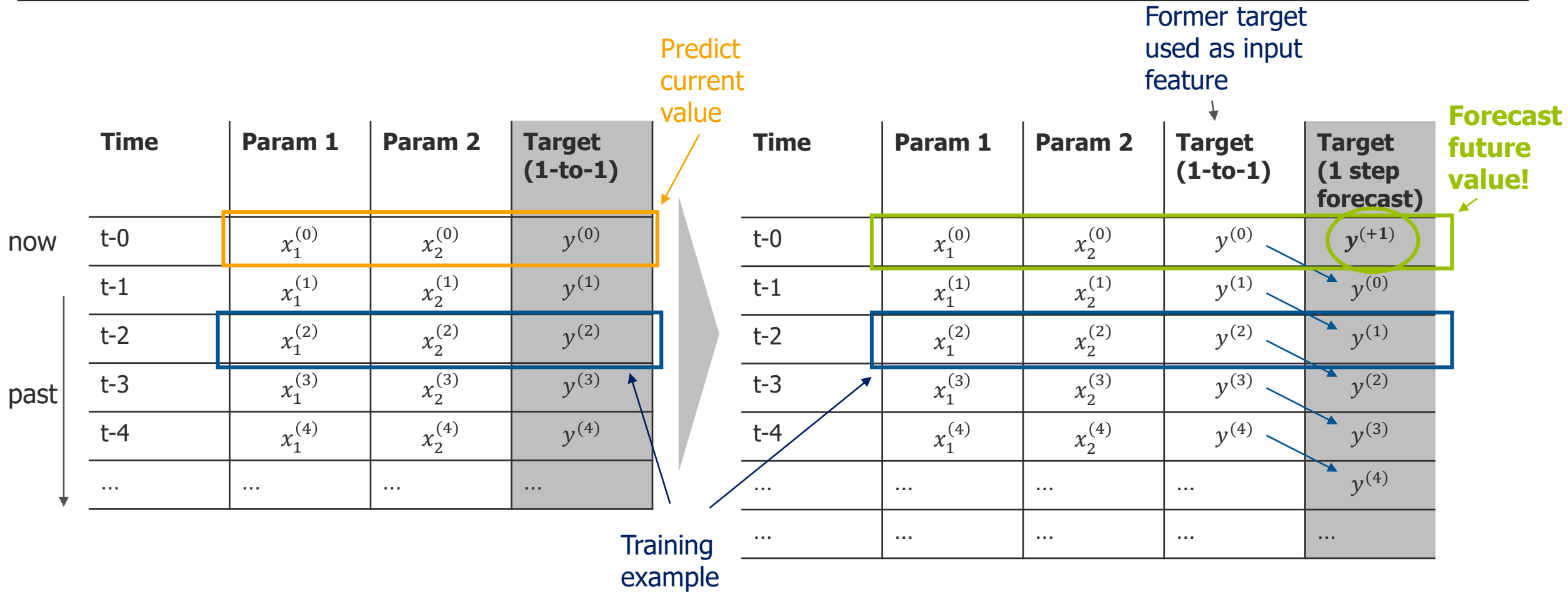
# The CRISP-DM model – Data Preparation

## Time shift method for forecasting target preparation



# The CRISP-DM model – Data preparation

## Example of target time shift



# The CRISP-DM model – Data Preparation

## Feature engineering for the temporal feature set

### Temporal features

	Time	Param 1	Engineered feature 1 (time lag 1 step)	Param 2	Engineered feature 2 (moving average)	Target
now	t-0	$x_1^{(0)}$	$x_{e1}^{(0)} = x_1^{(1)}$	$x_2^{(0)}$	$x_{e2}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2}(x_2^{(0)} + x_2^{(1)})$	$y^{(0)}$
	t-1	$x_1^{(1)}$	$x_{e1}^{(1)} = x_1^{(2)}$	$x_2^{(1)}$	$x_{e2}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2}(x_2^{(1)} + x_2^{(2)})$	$y^{(1)}$
past	t-2	$x_1^{(2)}$	$x_{e1}^{(2)} = x_1^{(3)}$	$x_2^{(2)}$	$x_{e2}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}(x_2^{(2)} + x_2^{(3)})$	$y^{(2)}$
	t-3	$x_1^{(3)}$	$x_{e1}^{(3)} = x_1^{(4)}$	$x_2^{(3)}$	$x_{e2}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{2}(x_2^{(3)} + x_2^{(4)})$	$y^{(3)}$
	t-4	$x_1^{(4)}$	$x_{e1}^{(4)} = x_1^{(5)}$	$x_2^{(4)}$	$x_{e2}^{(4)} = \frac{1}{2}(x_2^{(4)} + x_2^{(5)})$	$y^{(4)}$
	...	...	...	...	...	...
	t-n	$x_1^{(n)}$	X	$x_2^{(n)}$	X	

Training example

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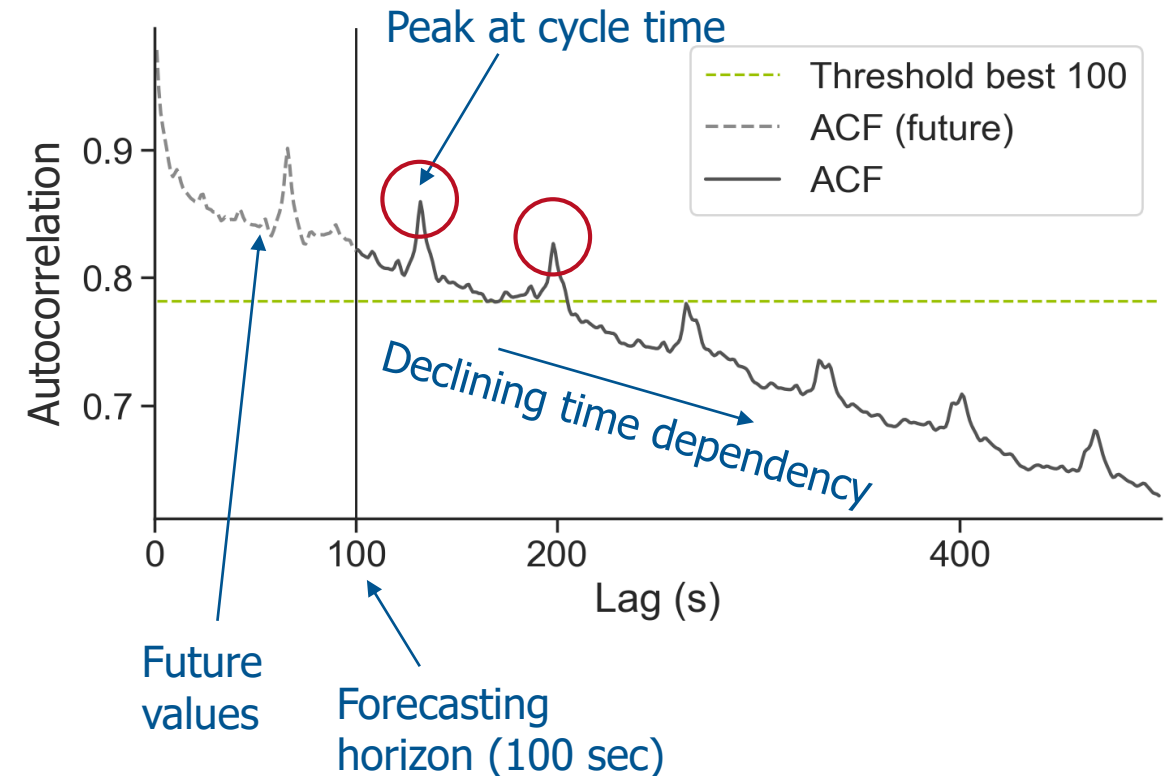
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Which time step(s) are significant?

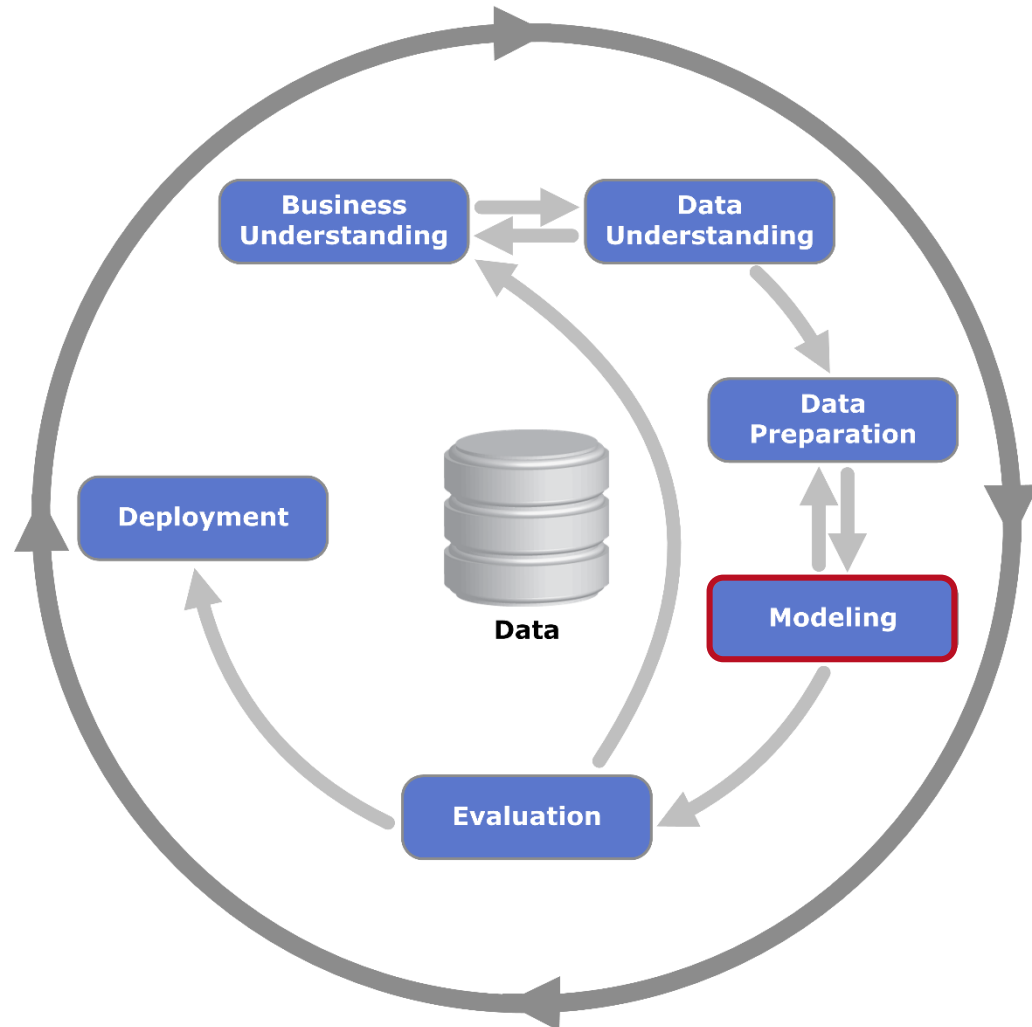
Time	Param 1	Engineered feature 1 (time lag ?? steps)	...
t-0	$x_1^{(0)}$	$x_{e1}^{(0)} = x_1^{(??)}$	
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t-2	$x_1^{(2)}$	$x_{e1}^{(2)} = x_1^{(??)}$	
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## The autocorrelation function (ACF)

Goal: Identify promising time lags for Feature Engineering



# The CRISP-DM model – Modeling



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Suited algorithms for time series forecasting



Statistical models:

- Time series analysis (e.g. ARIMA),
- **Linear Regression,**
- ...

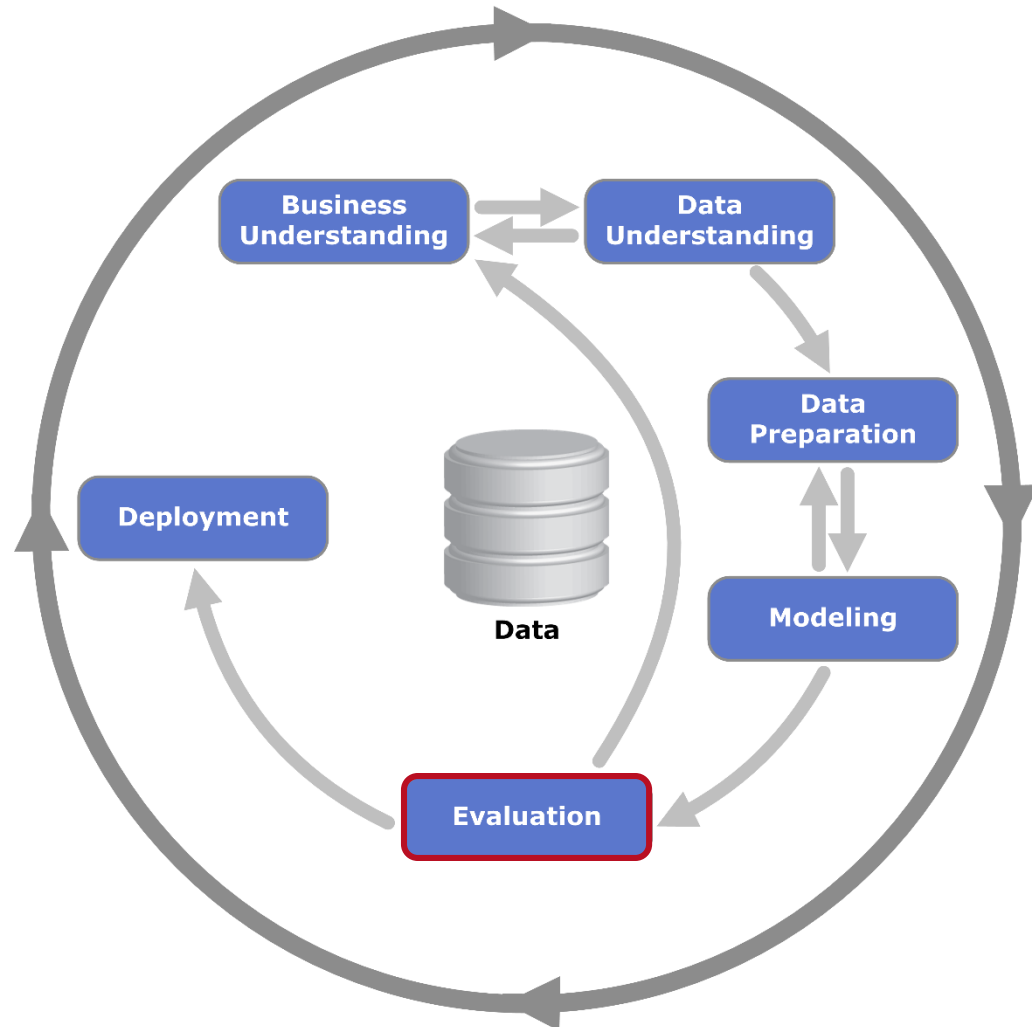
ARIMA = Auto Regressive Integrated Moving Average

→ Linear model of past values and moving average

Machine Learning models for supervised learning:

- K Nearest Neighbors,
- Decision Tree,
- **Random Forest,**
- Support Vector Machine,
- **Artificial Neural Networks,**
- ...

# The CRISP-DM model – Evaluation





# The CRISP-DM model – Evaluation

Evaluate the forecasting accuracy



**Goal:** Is the achieved forecasting accuracy sufficient for the business objective or is re-work required?

## Guidelines to choose error metrics for the forecasting accuracy:

- Scale dependent: MAE, MdAE, RMSE
- Scale independent: nRMSE,  $R^2$ -score
- Always consider several different metrics in order to level out the weaknesses of the single metrics
- Decide how to measure the forecasting quality before training the model
- Decide what is an acceptable forecasting quality before training the model

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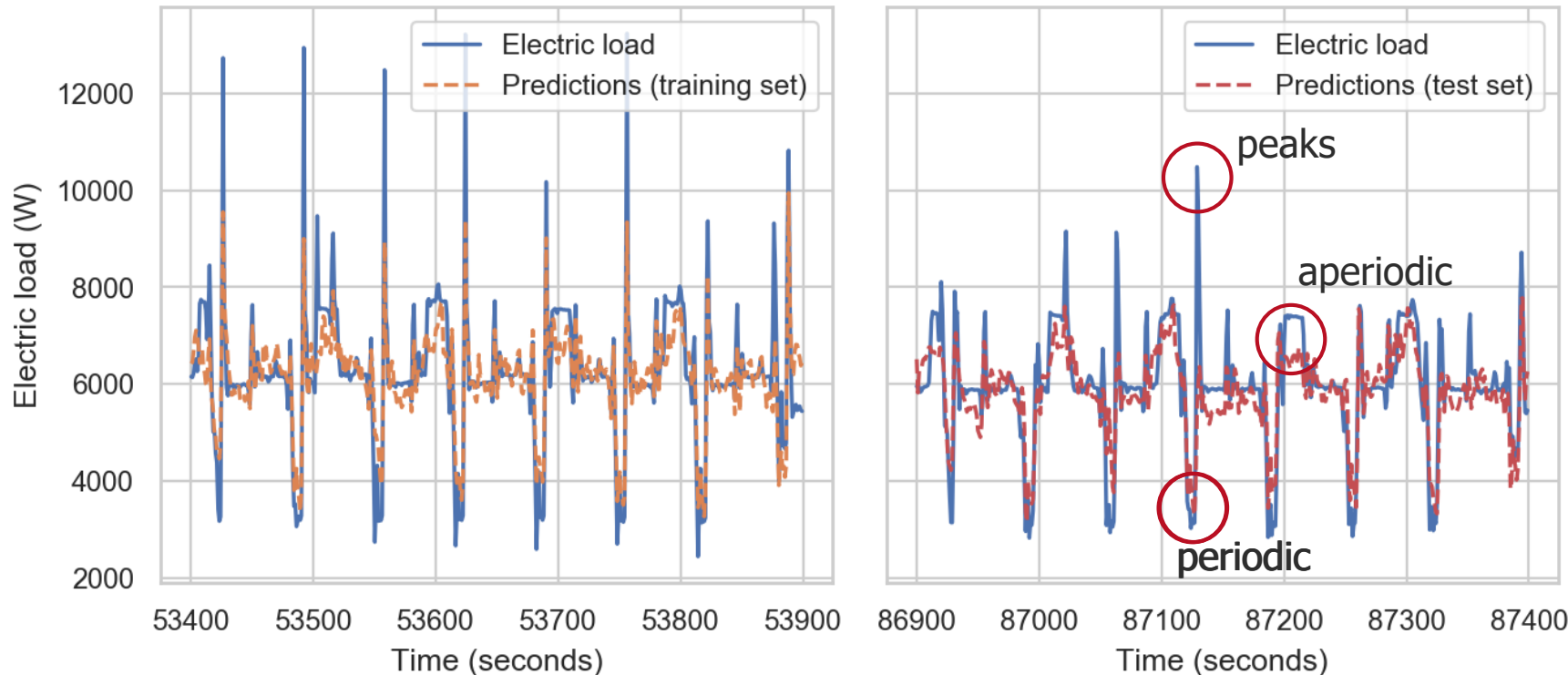
## Error Metrics

Group	Metric	Derivation	Advantage	Disadvantage
Scale-dependant	Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)	$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}$	+ Recommended for forecasting + High weight on large errors	- Sensitive to outliers
	Mean Absolute Error (MAE)	$MAE = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m  y_i - \hat{y}_i $	+ Less sensitive to outliers than RMSE + Good to interpret	- Sensitive to outliers (less than RMSE)
	Median Absolute Error (MdAE)	$MdAE = \text{median}_{i=1 \dots m} ( y_i - \hat{y}_i )$	+ Not very outlier-sensitive	- Harder to interpret than MAE and RMSE
Scale-independent	R <sup>2</sup> -score	$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$	+ Standard metric in scikit-learn + Well-suited to estimate the generalization error + Normalized scale	- Sensitive to outliers
	Normalized RMSE (nRMSE)	$nRMSE = \frac{1}{n} RMSE$ with n = scaling factor	+ Normalized scale	- Sensitive to outliers - Scaling factor n has significant influence on the error metric

# The CRISP-DM model – Evaluation

Results of the use case – Load forecasting of the machine tool EMAG VLC 100 GT

Target and predictions, zoom to seven production cycles:



Test-RMSE: 1207 W



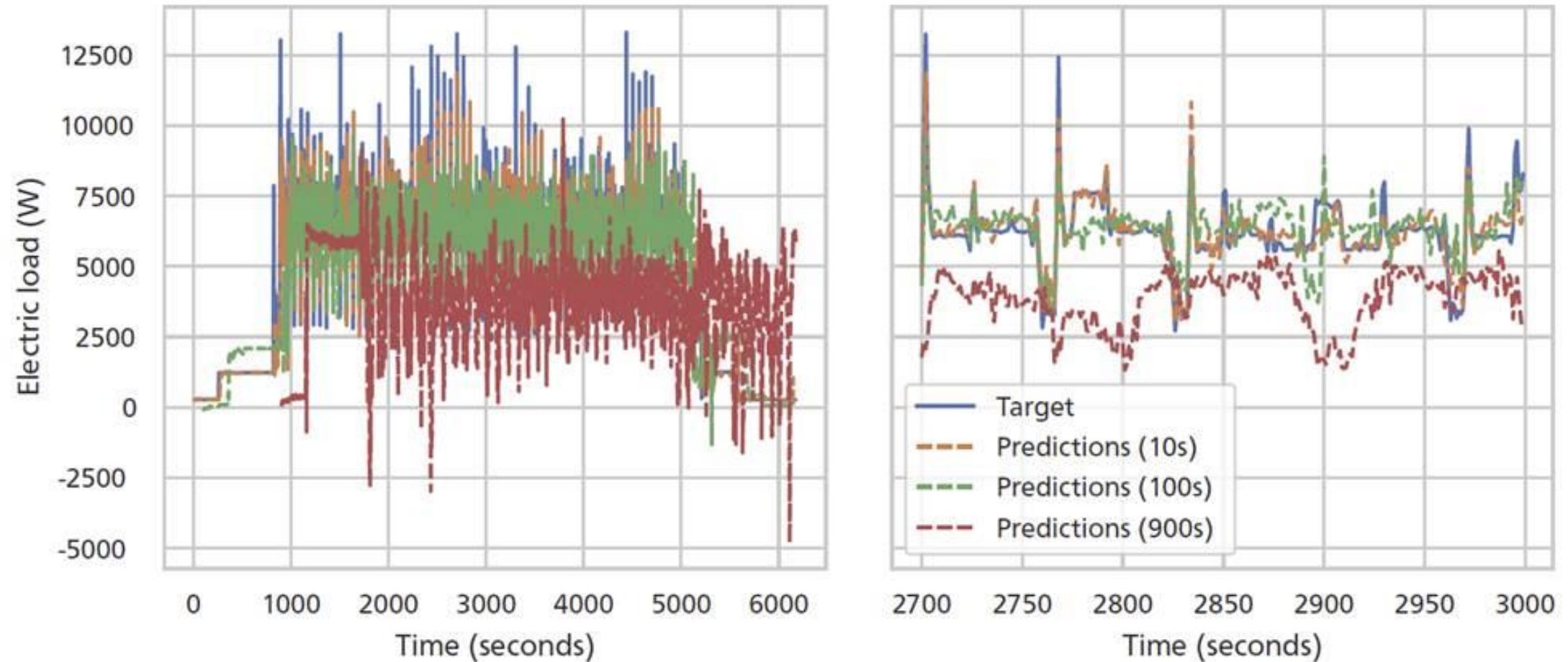
## Result understanding:

- Periodic elements are captured well
- Aperiodic components (different cycle time) disturb the model → Improvement potential

Quelle: Walther, J.; Generic Machine Learning Approach for very short term Load Forecasting of production machines (2019)

# The CRISP-DM model – Evaluation

## Forecasting accuracy of different forecasting horizons



# The CRISP-DM model – Evaluation

## Use case machine tool: Result of the hyperparameter optimization



Solution space, selected solutions marked in grey. Selection process was iterative with hyperparameter optimization in each step.

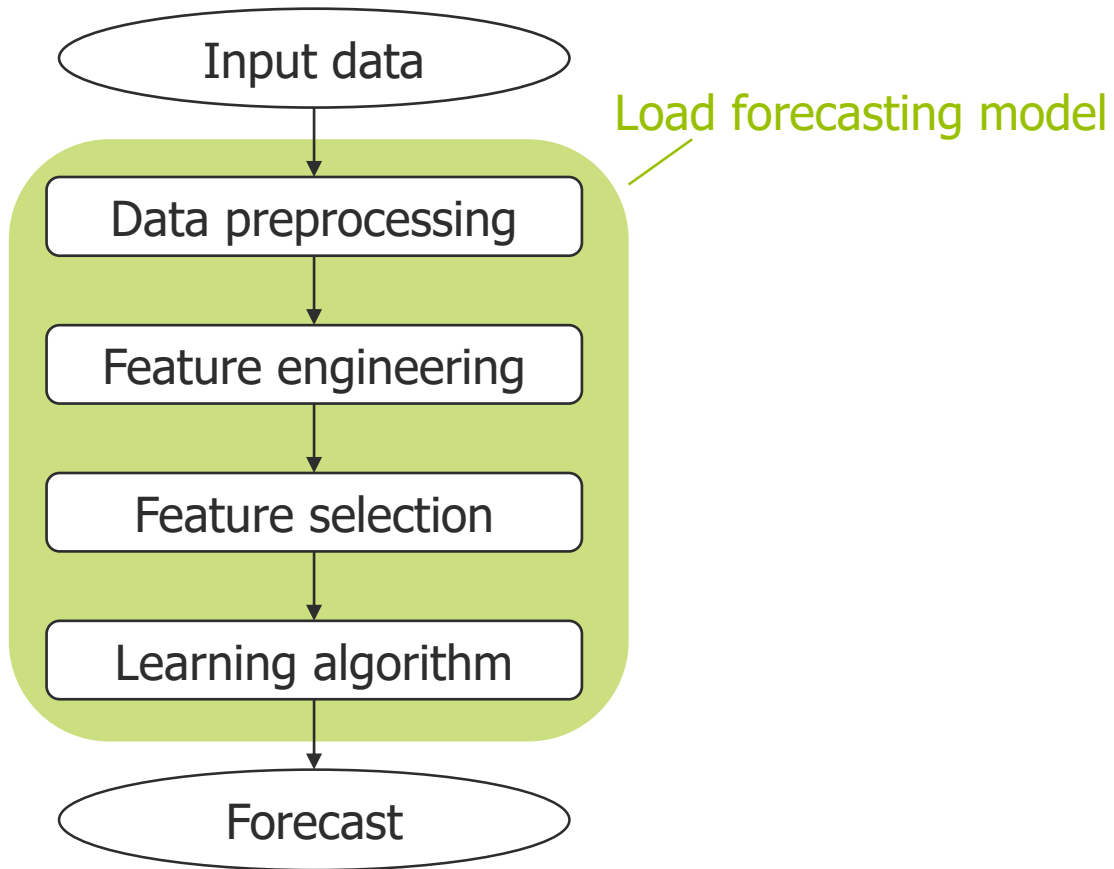
Problem	Solutions				
Forecasting horizon	10 seconds	100 seconds		900 seconds	
Learning algorithm	Linear Regression	KNN	Decision Tree	Random Forest	ANN
Imputation	Mean		Median		
Outlier treatment	Median and MAD		None		
Scaling	RobustScaler	StandardScaler		MinMaxScaler	
Feature engineering	Univariate		Multivariate		Combination
Feature selection	By variance	By VIF	Recursive	Combination	

- Energy forecasting is an important tool for demand side management in industry
- Forecasting can be framed as a supervised learning problem and can be solved with known supervised learning algorithms
- Time series forecasting has some peculiar data preprocessing steps:
  - Split into training and test data
  - Target preparation: Time shift
  - Feature Engineering: Time lag and moving average
- Data understanding is very important for result interpretation and model evaluation

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## Demo:

- Data understanding
- Target preparation
- Feature Engineering



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- <https://eta-fabrik.de/aktuell/studentische-arbeiten/>
- RNN: <https://eta-fabrik.de/aktuell/studentische-arbeit/entwicklung-von-lastprognosemodellen-fuer-werkzeugmaschinen-basierend-auf-recurrent-neural-networks/>
- Zeitserien-Analyse: <https://eta-fabrik.de/aktuell/studentische-arbeit/datenvorbereitung-und-bewertung-von-machine-learning-basierten-lastprognosemodellen/>
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- U.v.m.

### Lehrveranstaltungen der ETA-Fabrik:

- Master-Vorlesung und Tutorium
- <https://eta-fabrik.de/bildung/lehrveranstaltungen/>

## Basics of Machine Learning application:

Géron, Aurélien (2017): Hands-on machine learning with Scikit-Learn and TensorFlow: concepts, tools, and techniques to build intelligent systems: O'Reilly Media, Inc.

## Further information on different Machine Learning problems and how-to's:

<https://machinelearningmastery.com/>

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<https://eta-fabrik.de/aktuell/stellenangebote/>

## ETA-Fabrik:

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eY2kjUZB1oM> (ETA-Video)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo8w4sOBv\\_4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo8w4sOBv_4) (SynErgie Kurzfilm)

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For further questions we are happy to be at your disposal.



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