

Pool Detection from Smart Metering Data with Convolutional Neural Networks

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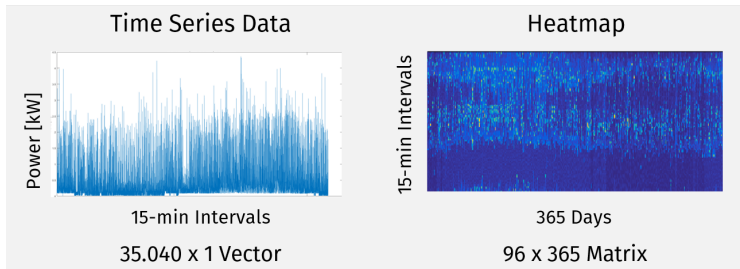
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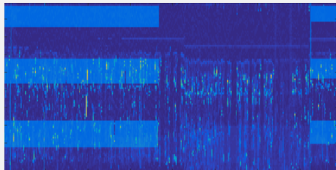
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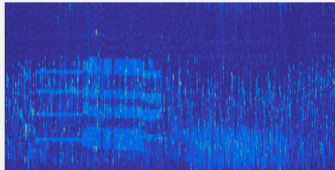
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Examples of Different Households

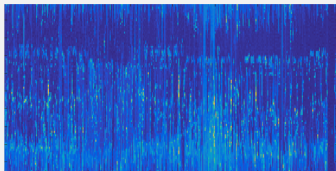
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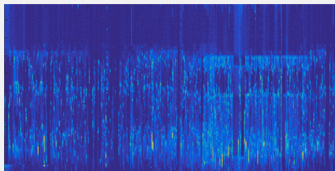
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Household without Pool



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Pool Pump Heatmap Pattern



Preprocessed Heatmap

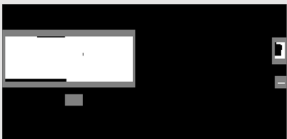
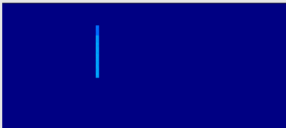


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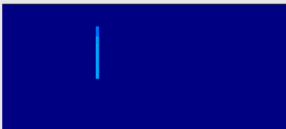
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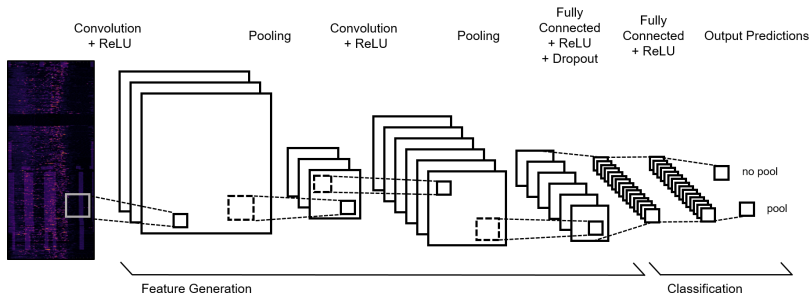
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Can we achieve the same result with deep learning?

Convolutional Neural Network Architecture



4x Convolution + Batch Normalization + ReLU + Max Pooling
1x Fully Connected + Batch Normalization + ReLU + Dropout
1x Fully Connected

Results

Classification Method	Accuracy	Precision
All-positive	7.4%	7.4%
All-negative	92.6%	-
5-NN	94.0%	68.5%
CNN	95.5%	71.9%

		Predicted class		
		no pool	pool	total
True class	no pool	789 97.2%	16 28.1%	805
	pool	23 2.8%	41 71.9%	64
total		812 100%	57 100%	869

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Open questions:

- Can we predict even more privacy-relevant features other than pools?
- Can we transform the trained model to other regions?

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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