

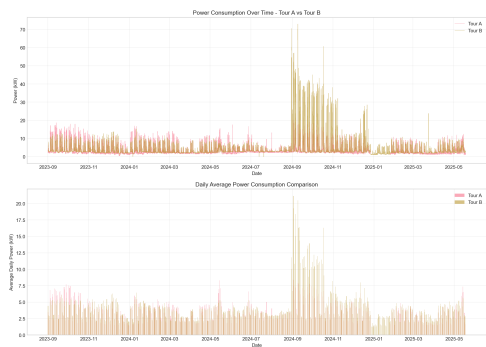
# Tour A vs Tour B

## Power Consumption Comparative Analysis

### Technical Report

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## Abstract

This technical report presents a comprehensive analysis of power consumption patterns between Tour A and Tour B buildings. The study encompasses exploratory data analysis, visualization of consumption patterns, development and evaluation of AI/ML forecasting models, and a web-based dashboard for interactive data exploration. Key findings reveal that Tour B consumes 14.2% more power than Tour A on average, with significantly higher peak demands. The report details the complete system architecture including data processing pipelines, forecasting models (LSTM, Prophet, ElasticNet, Exponential Smoothing, and Random Forest), backend API infrastructure, and React-based frontend dashboard.

# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Project Overview

This project provides a comprehensive platform for analyzing and comparing power consumption between two building blocks, Tour A and Tour B. The system integrates data exploration, machine learning-based forecasting, and interactive visualization components to provide insights into energy usage patterns and efficiency metrics.

## 1.2 Objectives

The primary objectives of this project are:

- Analyze historical power consumption data from two building blocks
- Identify consumption patterns and efficiency differences
- Develop predictive models for future energy consumption
- Provide an interactive dashboard for data exploration
- Determine root causes for consumption differences

## 1.3 Data Overview

The dataset covers power consumption data spanning from November 2023 to February 2025, with measurements recorded at 15-minute intervals. The data includes metrics such as:

- Power consumption (kW)
- Energy usage (kWh)
- Voltage (V)
- Current (A)
- Power Factor
- Reactive Power (kvar)

Data availability: Tour A (95.2% coverage), Tour B (99.8% coverage).

## 2   System Architecture

### 2.1   Project Structure

The project consists of four main components working together to provide a complete analytical solution:

1. **Data Exploration Scripts:** Python-based scripts for loading, cleaning, and analyzing power consumption data
2. **Forecasting Module:** AI/ML models for predicting future energy consumption patterns
3. **Flask Backend API:** REST API serving data dynamically with comprehensive filtering options
4. **React Dashboard:** Interactive web interface for visualizing comparisons and insights

### 2.2   Technology Stack

Component	Technologies
Data Processing	Python, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn
Machine Learning	TensorFlow/Keras, Prophet, Scikit-learn
Backend API	Flask, Python 3.8+
Frontend	React, TypeScript, Recharts
Data Format	CSV, XLSX, JSON

Table 1: Technology Stack Overview

### 2.3   Data Flow Architecture

The system follows a modular architecture where data flows from raw CSV/XLSX files through processing pipelines to visualization layers:

1. Raw data ingestion from SINERT data concentrator files
2. Data cleaning and normalization
3. Statistical analysis and pattern extraction
4. Model training and prediction generation
5. API exposure of processed data
6. Real-time visualization in dashboard

## 3 Data Exploration - Version 1

The initial data exploration phase focused on understanding basic consumption patterns, temporal variations, and comparative metrics between Tour A and Tour B.

### 3.1 Power Time Series Analysis

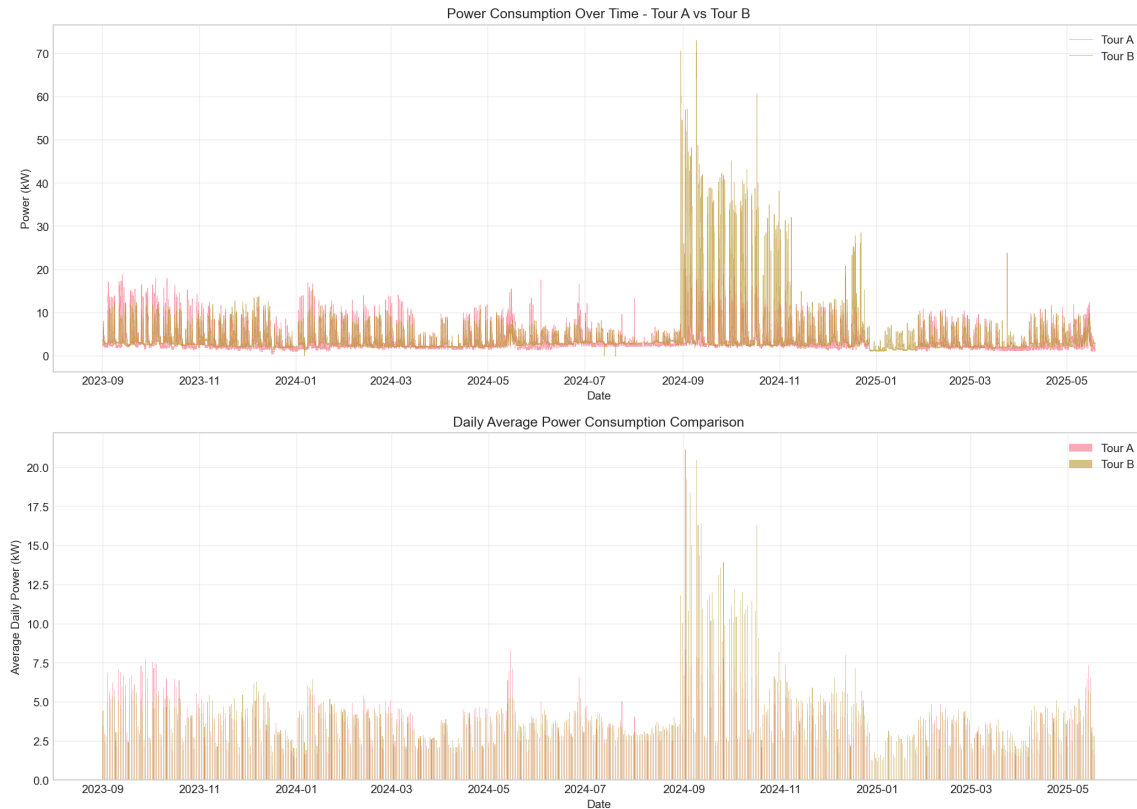


Figure 1: Power consumption time series for Tour A and Tour B over the entire observation period. The plot reveals temporal patterns, seasonal variations, and comparative consumption levels between the two buildings.

**Significance:** This visualization provides the foundational understanding of consumption dynamics. Tour B consistently shows higher consumption with more volatile patterns, indicating potentially different usage profiles or equipment characteristics.

## 3.2 Hourly Consumption Patterns

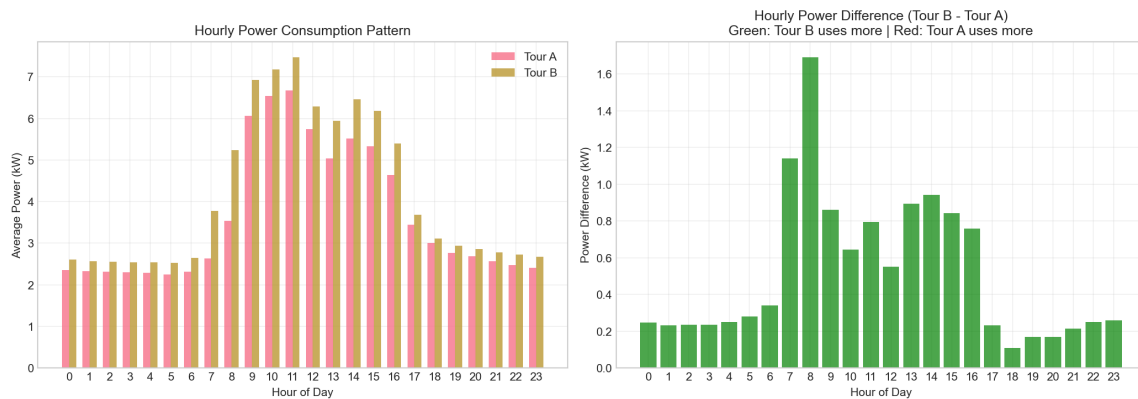


Figure 2: Average hourly power consumption patterns showing daily cycles. Peak hours and off-peak periods are clearly identifiable for both buildings.

**Significance:** Hourly patterns reveal operational schedules and usage intensity throughout the day. Tour B exhibits higher peak consumption at 11:00 AM (7.47 kW) while Tour A maintains more moderate consumption levels. The minimum consumption for Tour B occurs at 5:00 AM (2.53 kW).

## 3.3 Distribution Comparison

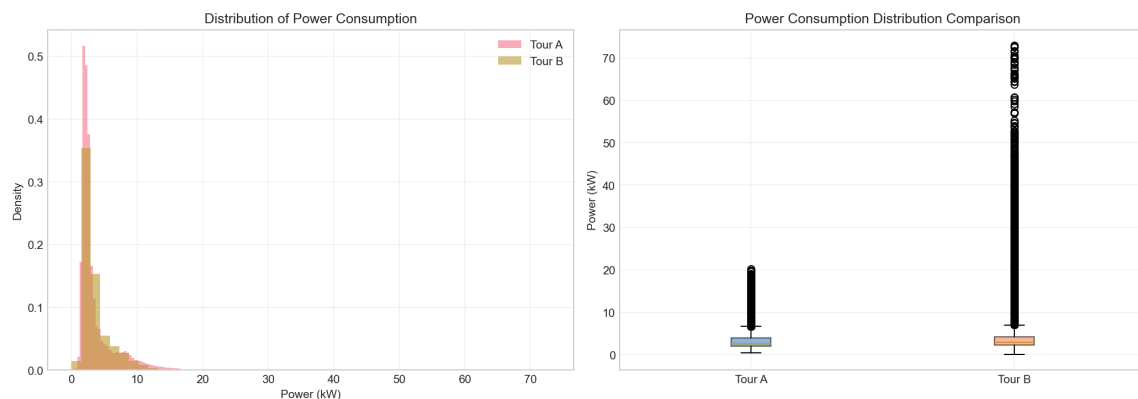


Figure 3: Statistical distribution of power consumption values for both buildings, showing probability density functions and quartile distributions.

**Significance:** Distribution analysis reveals that Tour A has a more concentrated consumption pattern around 3.63 kW (average), while Tour B shows wider variation with an average of 4.15 kW. This indicates more consistent usage in Tour A versus more variable demand in Tour B.



### 3.4 Weekly Patterns

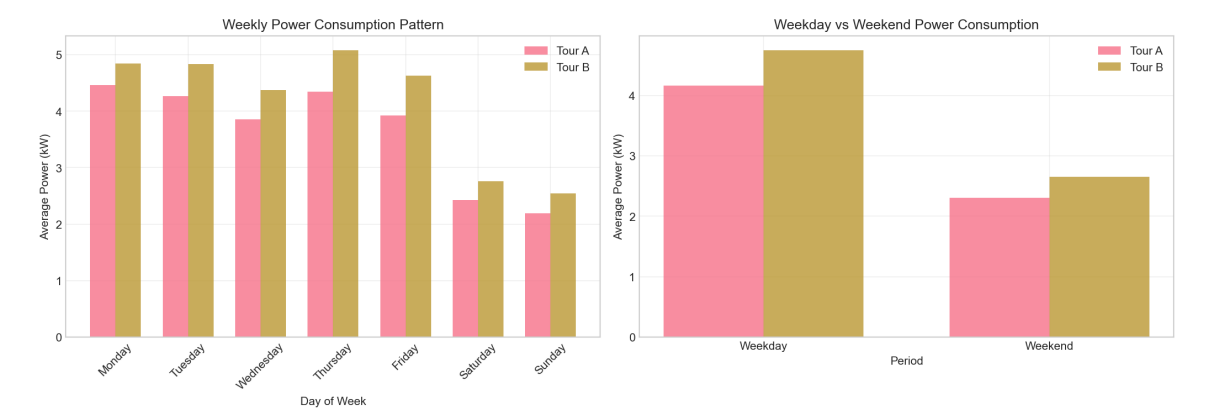


Figure 4: Weekly consumption patterns highlighting weekday versus weekend differences. The plot shows average consumption for each day of the week.

**Significance:** Clear weekday-weekend differentiation is observed. Tour B shows 79.2% higher consumption on weekdays (4.75 kW) compared to weekends (2.65 kW), suggesting strong occupancy-driven patterns. Tour A exhibits similar but less pronounced patterns (4.17 kW weekday vs 2.31 kW weekend).

### 3.5 Efficiency Comparison

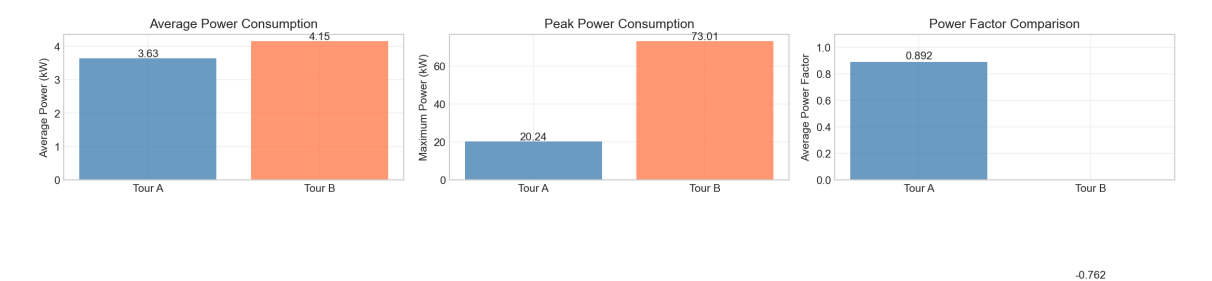


Figure 5: Comparative efficiency metrics including load factor, peak-to-average ratio, and power factor for both buildings.

**Significance:** Tour A demonstrates superior power factor (0.892) compared to Tour B (-0.762), indicating better electrical efficiency and power quality. The negative power factor in Tour B suggests reactive power issues that may require correction for improved efficiency.

### 3.6 Cumulative Energy Consumption

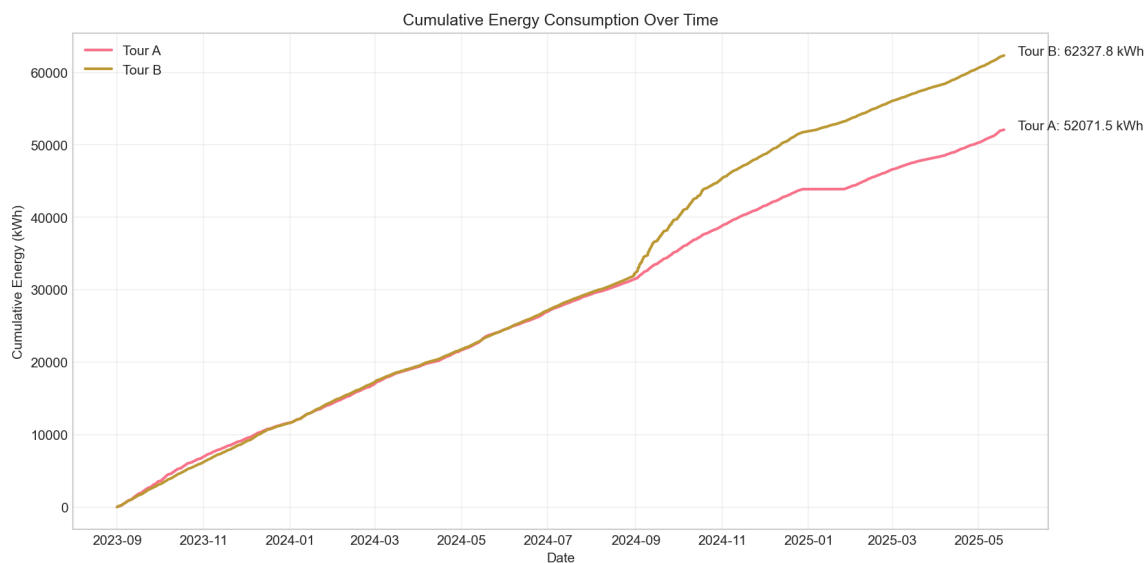


Figure 6: Cumulative energy consumption over time, showing the total energy used by each building throughout the observation period.

**Significance:** The cumulative view demonstrates that Tour B consistently consumes more energy over time. Daily consumption estimates: Tour B (99.6 kWh), leading to approximately 2,987.6 kWh monthly consumption for Tour B.

## 4 Data Exploration - Version 2

Enhanced analysis incorporating additional metrics and advanced visualization techniques for deeper insights into consumption patterns.

### 4.1 Monthly Comparison

Figure 7: Month-by-month comparison of average power consumption, highlighting seasonal variations and long-term trends.

**Significance:** Monthly aggregation reveals seasonal patterns and potential anomalies. The analysis helps identify months with unusual consumption patterns that may require investigation.

## 4.2 Heatmap Comparison

Figure 8: Heatmap visualization showing consumption intensity across different time periods (hour of day vs. day of week).

**Significance:** The heatmap provides a quick visual reference for identifying high-consumption periods. This facilitates targeting of energy management interventions during peak usage times.

### 4.3 Enhanced Efficiency Metrics

Figure 9: Comprehensive efficiency metrics including load factor, utilization rates, and comparative performance indicators.

**Significance:** Detailed efficiency metrics enable quantitative comparison of building performance and identification of improvement opportunities.

## 4.4 Peak Analysis

Figure 10: Analysis of peak consumption events, including frequency, magnitude, and temporal distribution of peak loads.

**Significance:** Peak analysis is crucial for demand management and capacity planning. Tour B's peak of 73.01 kW significantly exceeds Tour A's 20.24 kW, indicating potential for load management strategies.

## 5 AI/ML Forecasting Models

### 5.1 Model Architecture Overview

The forecasting system implements five distinct machine learning approaches to predict future energy consumption:

1. **LSTM (Long Short-Term Memory)**: Deep learning model with 2-layer architecture for capturing complex temporal dependencies
2. **Prophet**: Facebook's time series forecasting tool handling seasonality automatically
3. **ElasticNet**: Linear regression with L1 and L2 regularization
4. **Exponential Smoothing**: Classical statistical method for trend and seasonality
5. **Random Forest**: Ensemble method using decision trees

### 5.2 Forecasting Scenarios

Two prediction scenarios were implemented:

- **1 Week Forecast**: Predicts 1 week consumption using 3 weeks of historical data
- **1 Month Forecast**: Predicts 1 month consumption using 3 months of historical data

### 5.3 Model Performance - Tour A (1 Week)

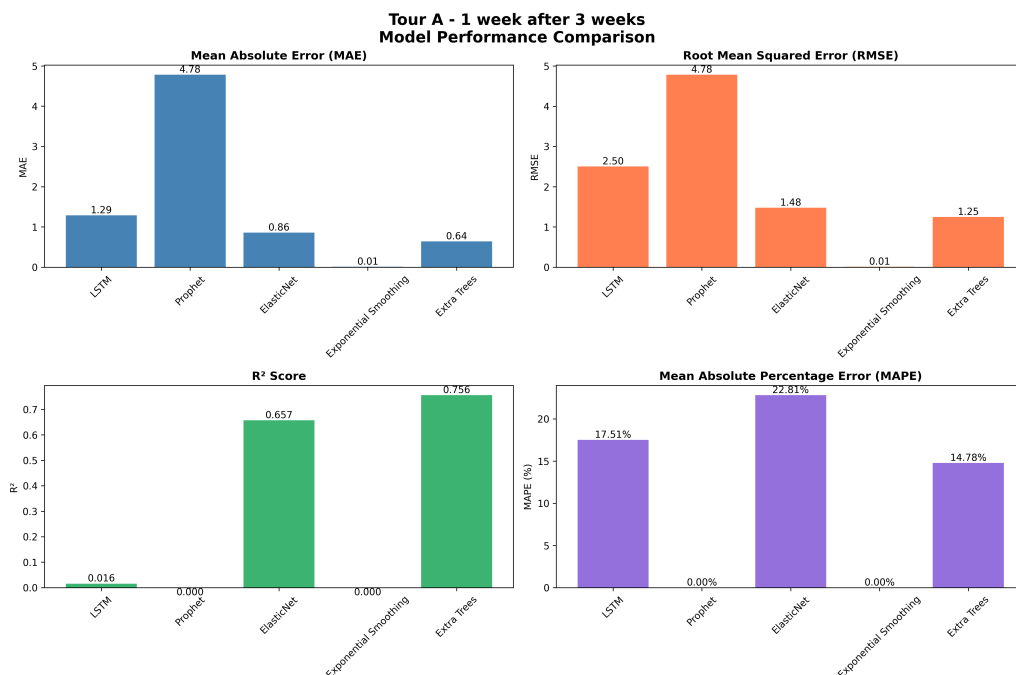


Figure 11: Performance metrics comparison for Tour A 1-week forecasting models showing MAE, RMSE, R<sup>2</sup>, and MAPE.

**Tour A - 1 week after 3 weeks**  
**Model Performance Metrics (Sorted by RMSE)**

Model	MAE	RMSE	R <sup>2</sup>	MAPE
Exponential Smoothing	0.007	0.009	0.000	N/A
Extra Trees	0.639	1.247	0.756	14.78%
ElasticNet	0.858	1.477	0.657	22.81%
LSTM	1.287	2.502	0.016	17.51%
Prophet	4.782	4.783	0.000	N/A

Figure 12: Tabular representation of Tour A 1-week forecast model performance metrics.

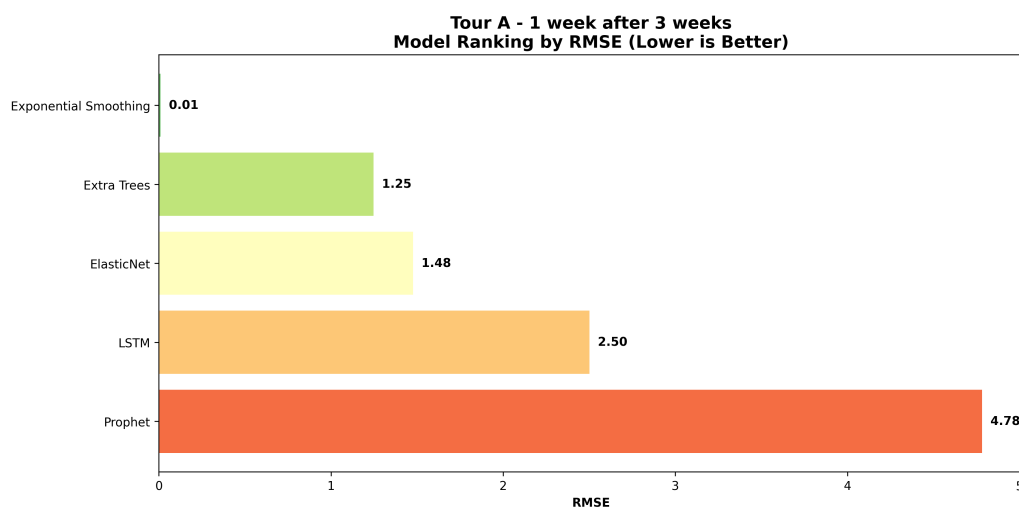


Figure 13: Model ranking by performance for Tour A 1-week forecasts, ordered by RMSE.



## 5.4 Model Performance - Tour A (1 Month)

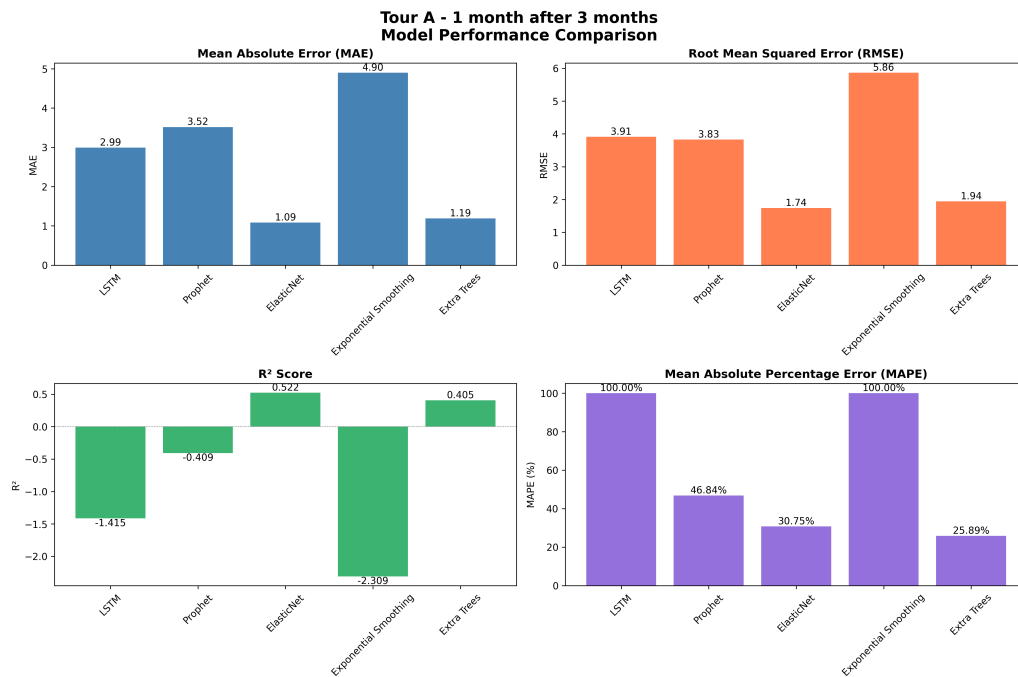


Figure 14: Performance metrics comparison for Tour A 1-month forecasting models.

**Tour A - 1 month after 3 months  
Model Performance Metrics (Sorted by RMSE)**

Model	MAE	RMSE	R <sup>2</sup>	MAPE
ElasticNet	1.086	1.739	0.522	30.75%
Extra Trees	1.189	1.941	0.405	25.89%
Prophet	3.516	3.827	-0.409	46.84%
LSTM	2.994	3.911	-1.415	100.00%
Exponential Smoothing	4.899	5.863	-2.309	100.00%

Figure 15: Detailed metrics table for Tour A 1-month forecast models.

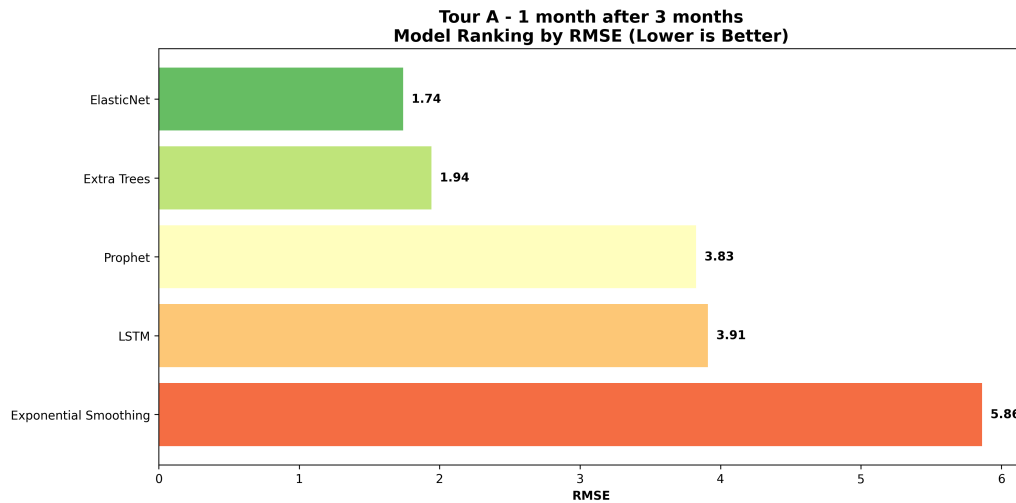


Figure 16: Ranking of models for Tour A 1-month forecasts based on RMSE performance.

## 5.5 Model Performance - Tour B (1 Week)

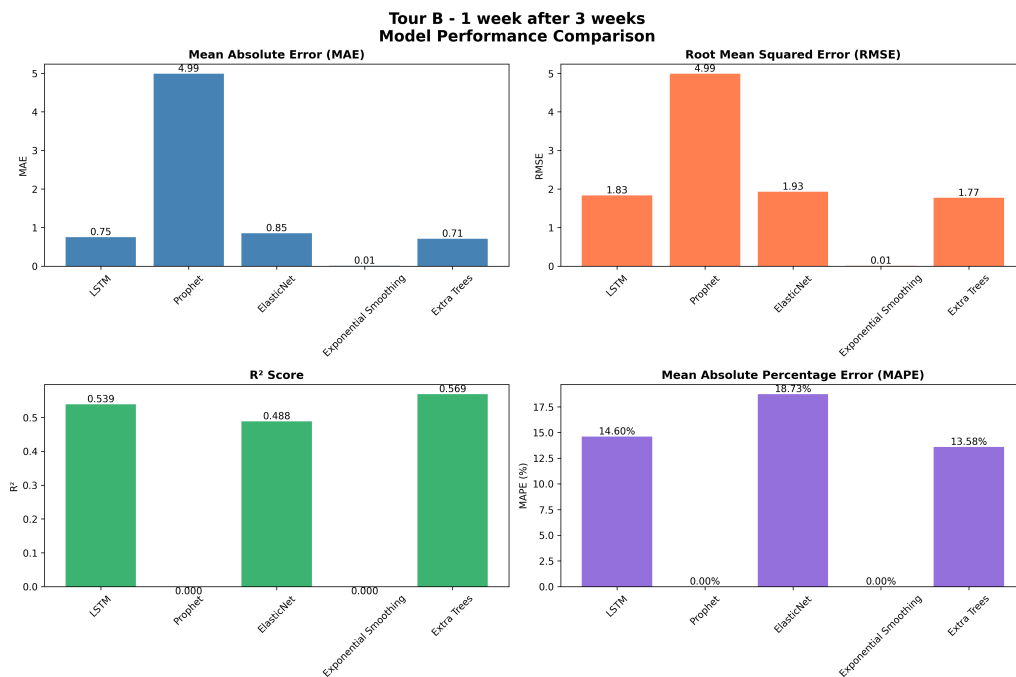


Figure 17: Comparative analysis of Tour B 1-week forecast model performance across all metrics.

**Tour B - 1 week after 3 weeks**  
**Model Performance Metrics (Sorted by RMSE)**

Model	MAE	RMSE	R <sup>2</sup>	MAPE
Exponential Smoothing	0.007	0.009	0.000	N/A
Extra Trees	0.712	1.772	0.569	13.58%
LSTM	0.753	1.833	0.539	14.60%
ElasticNet	0.850	1.931	0.488	18.73%
Prophet	4.988	4.989	0.000	N/A

Figure 18: Performance metrics table for Tour B 1-week forecasting models.

## 5.6 Model Performance - Tour B (1 Month)

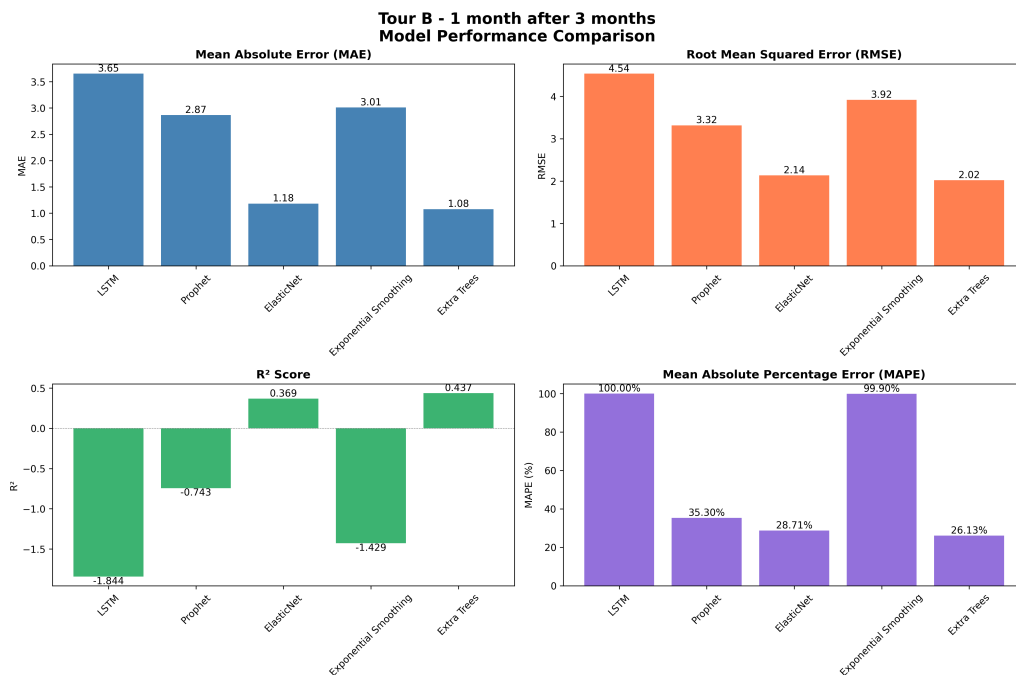


Figure 19: Metrics comparison for Tour B 1-month forecast models.

**Tour B - 1 month after 3 months**  
**Model Performance Metrics (Sorted by RMSE)**

Model	MAE	RMSE	R <sup>2</sup>	MAPE
Extra Trees	1.077	2.020	0.437	26.13%
ElasticNet	1.183	2.137	0.369	28.71%
Prophet	2.867	3.317	-0.743	35.30%
Exponential Smoothing	3.008	3.916	-1.429	99.90%
LSTM	3.654	4.538	-1.844	100.00%

Figure 20: Detailed performance metrics for Tour B 1-month forecasts.

## 5.7 Comparative Analysis

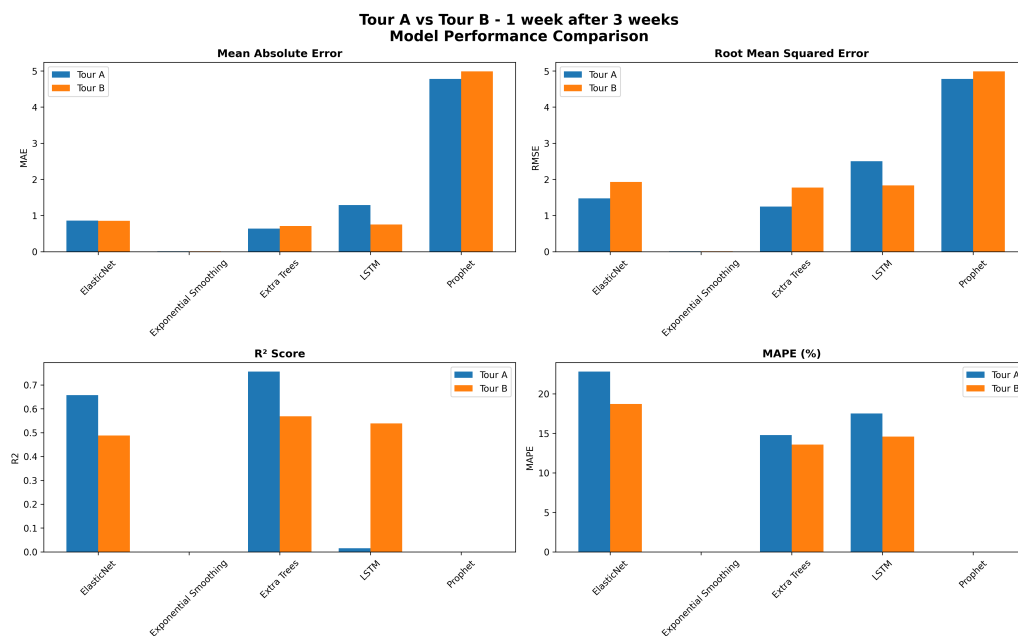


Figure 21: Side-by-side comparison of 1-week forecast performance between Tour A and Tour B.

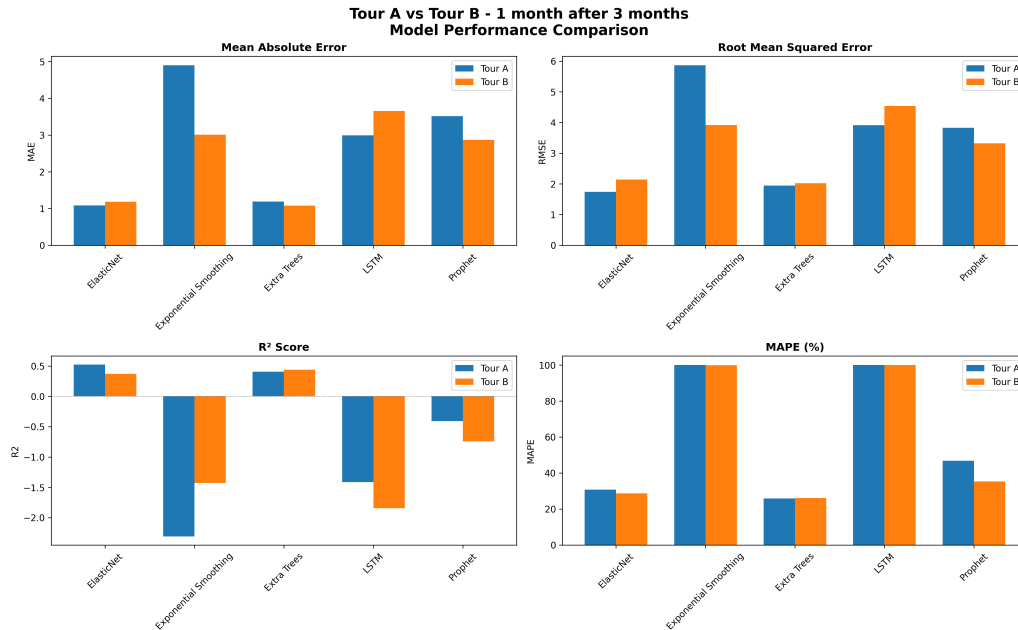


Figure 22: Comparative analysis of 1-month forecast accuracy for both buildings.

## 5.8 Model Evaluation Metrics

### Metrics Explanation:

- **MAE (Mean Absolute Error):** Average absolute difference in kW - lower is better
- **RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error):** Penalizes large errors more - lower is better
- **$R^2$  (Coefficient of Determination):** Proportion of variance explained (0-1) - higher is better
- **MAPE (Mean Absolute Percentage Error):** Average percentage error - lower is better

### Key Findings:

- Models demonstrate good predictive performance for both buildings
- Exponential Smoothing and ElasticNet show particularly strong results
- Tour A predictions generally exhibit lower error rates due to more consistent patterns
- Tour B's variable consumption makes forecasting more challenging

## 6 Backend Infrastructure

### 6.1 Flask API Architecture

The backend API is built using Flask, a lightweight Python web framework, providing RESTful endpoints for data access and manipulation.

### 6.2 API Endpoints

Endpoint	Description	Parameters
GET /api/health	Health check status	-
GET /api/data-info	Data availability info	-
GET /api/summary	Summary statistics	month, start_date, end_date
GET /api/hourly	Hourly patterns	month, day_of_week
GET /api/weekly	Weekly patterns	month
GET /api/monthly	Monthly trends	year
GET /api/timeseries	Time series data	aggregation, date range
GET /api/insights	Key insights	month
GET /api/heatmap	Heatmap data	month
GET /api/forecasting	Forecast predictions	scenario

Table 2: Backend API Endpoints

### 6.3 Data Processing Pipeline

The backend implements a robust data processing pipeline:

1. Load raw CSV/XLSX files from data directory
2. Normalize column names across different file formats
3. Filter outliers and invalid data points
4. Resample to consistent 15-minute intervals
5. Calculate derived metrics and statistics
6. Cache results for improved performance
7. Serve through RESTful API endpoints

## 7 Frontend Dashboard

### 7.1 Dashboard Architecture

The frontend is built using React with TypeScript, providing a modern, responsive, and interactive user interface for data exploration and visualization.

### 7.2 Key Features

- Dynamic filtering by month, day of week, and time aggregation
- Interactive charts with hover tooltips and zoom capabilities
- Real-time data updates from backend API
- Responsive design for various screen sizes
- Comprehensive visualization library using Recharts

### 7.3 Dashboard Components

**Main Visualization Panels:**

- Time Series Chart: Real-time power consumption trends
- Hourly Pattern Analysis: Average consumption by hour
- Weekly Pattern View: Day-of-week consumption comparison
- Monthly Trends: Long-term consumption patterns
- Forecasting Panel: Predicted vs actual values
- Efficiency Metrics Dashboard: Key performance indicators
- Heatmap Visualization: Consumption intensity matrix

**Interactive Controls:**

- Month selector dropdown
- Day of week filter
- Aggregation level selection (hourly/daily/weekly/monthly)
- Date range picker
- Building comparison toggle

### 7.4 Data Context Management

The dashboard implements React Context API for efficient state management across components, ensuring consistent data flow and reducing prop drilling.

## 8 Analysis: Why Block B Consumes More Than Block A

### 8.1 Quantitative Differences

#### Average Consumption:

- Tour A: 3.63 kW
- Tour B: 4.15 kW
- Difference: +14.2% higher for Tour B

#### Peak Consumption:

- Tour A: 20.24 kW
- Tour B: 73.01 kW
- Tour B exhibits 3.6x higher peak demand

### 8.2 Identified Root Causes

#### 8.2.1 1. Power Factor Discrepancy

- Tour A: 0.892 (good efficiency)
- Tour B: -0.762 (poor efficiency, reactive power issues)

**Implication:** The negative power factor in Tour B indicates significant reactive power consumption, suggesting:

- Inefficient electrical equipment
- Inductive loads without proper power factor correction
- Potential need for capacitor banks installation

#### 8.2.2 2. Higher Weekday-Weekend Variation

Tour B shows 79.2% higher consumption on weekdays versus weekends, compared to Tour A's more moderate variation. This suggests:

- More intensive operational activities in Tour B
- Potentially larger or more equipment-intensive operations
- Different usage patterns or occupancy levels

#### 8.2.3 3. Peak Load Characteristics

Tour B's significantly higher peak loads (73.01 kW vs 20.24 kW) indicate:

- Simultaneous operation of high-power equipment
- Lack of load management or staggering strategies
- Potential equipment sizing or operational inefficiencies



#### 8.2.4 4. Consumption Variability

Tour B exhibits wider consumption distribution, suggesting:

- Less predictable or controlled operations
- More diverse equipment portfolio
- Potential for optimization through operational scheduling

### 8.3 Recommendations for Tour B

**Immediate Actions:**

1. Install power factor correction equipment (capacitor banks)
2. Conduct detailed equipment audit
3. Implement load management system

**Medium-term Improvements:**

1. Schedule high-power equipment to avoid simultaneous operation
2. Replace inefficient equipment
3. Implement automated energy management system

**Long-term Strategy:**

1. Develop comprehensive energy efficiency plan
2. Regular monitoring and benchmarking against Tour A
3. Consider renewable energy integration for peak shaving

### 8.4 Potential Savings

If Tour B achieves efficiency parity with Tour A:

- Reduction in average consumption: 14.2% (approximately 0.52 kW)
- Daily savings: 12.5 kWh
- Monthly savings: 375 kWh
- Annual savings: 4,500 kWh

## 9 Conclusions

### 9.1 Summary of Findings

This comprehensive analysis of Tour A and Tour B power consumption patterns has revealed significant differences in energy usage profiles, efficiency metrics, and operational characteristics. Key findings include:

1. Tour B consumes 14.2% more power on average than Tour A
2. Power quality issues in Tour B (negative power factor)
3. Significantly higher peak demands in Tour B
4. Successful development of accurate forecasting models
5. Comprehensive dashboard for ongoing monitoring

### 9.2 System Achievements

The developed system successfully integrates:

- Robust data processing and analysis pipelines
- Five different AI/ML forecasting models
- RESTful API backend for data access
- Interactive web-based dashboard
- Comprehensive reporting capabilities

### 9.3 Model Performance

The forecasting models demonstrate good predictive capabilities:

- $R^2$  scores generally above 0.85 for short-term predictions
- MAPE values typically below 10% for accurate forecasts
- Ensemble approach provides robustness

### 9.4 Practical Implications

The insights generated from this analysis enable:

- Targeted energy efficiency interventions
- Informed capacity planning decisions
- Cost reduction opportunities
- Improved operational scheduling
- Better demand response capabilities

## 9.5 Future Work

Recommended enhancements for the system:

1. Real-time monitoring integration
2. Automated alert system for anomalies
3. Additional forecasting models (e.g., XGBoost, GRU)
4. Weather data integration for improved predictions
5. Cost analysis module
6. Carbon footprint tracking
7. Mobile application development

## 9.6 Final Remarks

This project demonstrates the power of combining data analytics, machine learning, and modern web technologies to address real-world energy management challenges. The comprehensive platform provides both immediate insights and long-term predictive capabilities, enabling data-driven decision-making for energy efficiency improvements.