

NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION IN UŞAK (2015–2018)

Dataset Description:

Column Name	Description
Year	Year of the data record (e.g., 2015, 2016...)
Longitude, latitude	Geographical coordinates of the user's gas meter
Jan usd/tr - Dec usd/tr	Monthly USD/TRY exchange rates
Jan - Dec	Monthly natural gas consumption (in cubic meters)
Total	Annual consumption total

Note: Each row represents a yearly or regional consumption profile.

Project Objective:

In this project, students are expected to apply unsupervised learning techniques, particularly clustering, to identify patterns, segment usage profiles, and detect anomalies in the dataset.

You are expected to deliver insights in the following four areas:

1. Consumption Pattern-Based Clustering → *diagram*

- Use monthly consumption percentages to group different types of usage profiles.
- **Goal:** Identify distinct seasonal or consistent consumption behaviors.
- *Hint:* Use KMeans, Agglomerative Clustering, or dimensionality reduction with PCA or t-SNE for visualization.

2. Clustering Based on Exchange Rate Influence

- Combine monthly USD/TRY exchange rates with consumption data.
- **Goal:** Identify whether certain consumer profiles are sensitive to currency fluctuations.
- *Hints:* Normalize features before clustering. Explore correlations between exchange rate spikes and usage drops.

3. Anomaly Detection

- Detect rows (years or entries) that significantly deviate from the rest.
- **Goal:** Highlight unusual consumption behaviors or potential data anomalies.
- *Hints:* Apply algorithms like DBSCAN, Isolation Forest, or calculate Z-scores for outlier detection.

4. Geospatial Consumption Profiling

- Dataset includes location or regional metadata as longitude and latitude, use it to map consumer profiles geographically.
- **Goal:** Identify areas with similar consumption behaviors or outliers by location.
- *Hints:* Use folium, geopandas, or plot clustering results on a map using coordinates if available.