

Generating Household Electricity Consumption Scenarios Through Sampling



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Context

The current low-voltage electricity grid cannot meet future demand; digging up and replacing all cables is expensive.
Solution simulate the grid to plan reinforcements efficiently
Requires electricity consumption time-series of connected houses
↳ **Unavailable for most houses**, only a few metadata features are known

Problem statement

Given household metadata **generate** { , } **using** (,) ... (,)
plausible electricity consumption time-series available metadata-consumption pairs

Approach: Sample From Historic Data

BASELINE

Cluster households based on **metadata**

① Assign test metadata to closest cluster
② Sample consumption uniformly from cluster

Assumes similar metadata ⇒ similar consumption

PROPOSED APPROACH

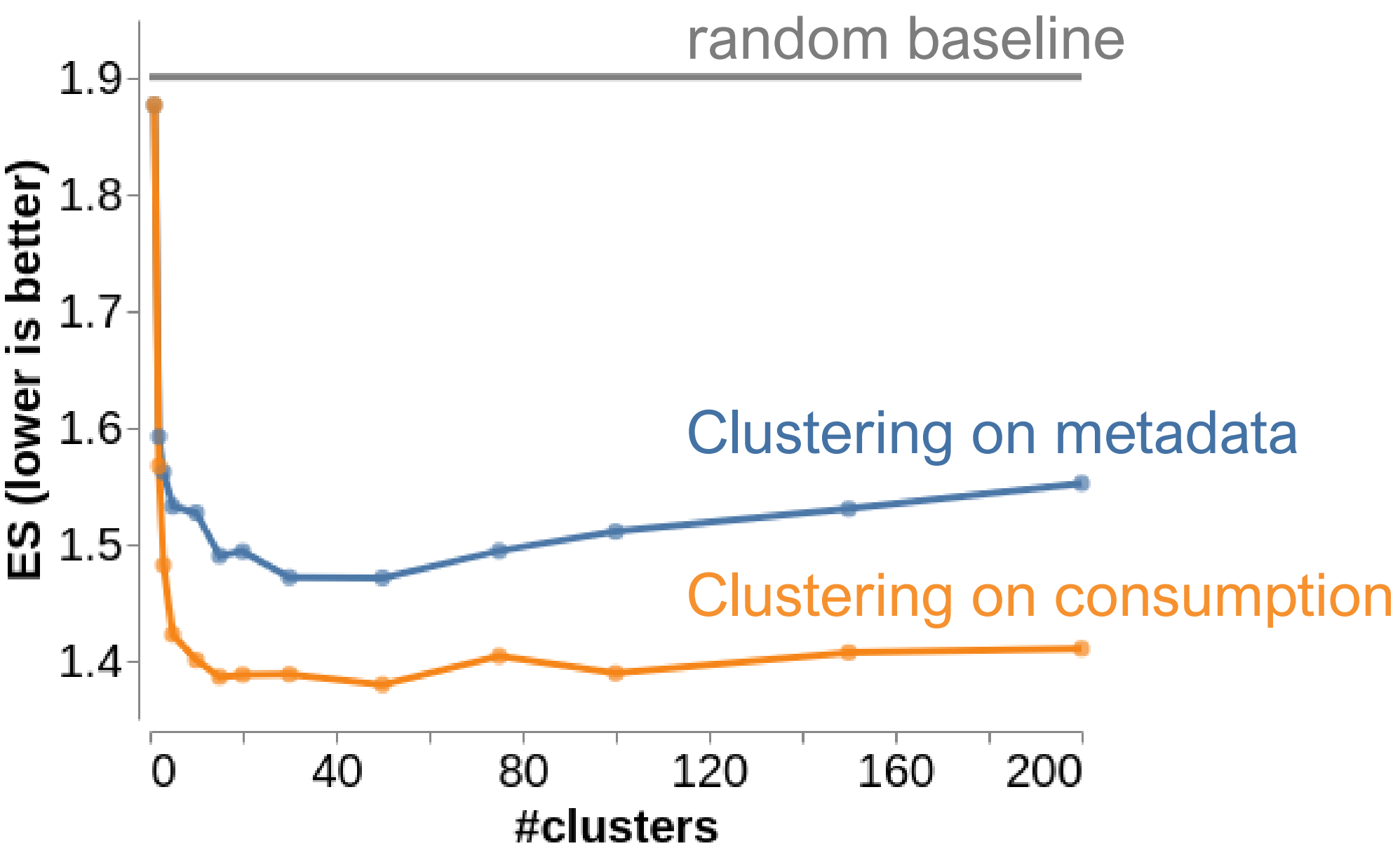
Cluster households based on **consumption**
Learn a classifier to predict the cluster from metadata

① Let classifier predict clusters
② Pick cluster according to cluster probabilities
③ Sample consumption uniformly from cluster

Classifier learns how metadata relates to consumption

Results

Clustering on consumption generates better scenarios than clustering on metadata.



Next steps

- Scale up to full dataset
- Add additional attributes
 - Integrate weather info and calendar info into sampling
- Validation
 - Do better scenarios make the simulation of the grid more accurate?
 - Integrate our sampler into the simulation