

# NILM in practice part 1: GIASES pilot project

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# AGENDA

- Project Setup
- Overview of the Project Idea
- Quantity of Measuring Points
- Main Motivation
- Insights & Challenges

## SFOE Pilot and Demonstration Project - GIASES

Based on the results of the predecessor project NILM4Bal, a load management and peak shaving solution is being evaluated in a broad pilot and demonstration project with several thousand measuring points, by using the shifting potential of flexibilities (heat pump, boiler and e-charging station).

Project Duration: 11/2021 – 11/2023

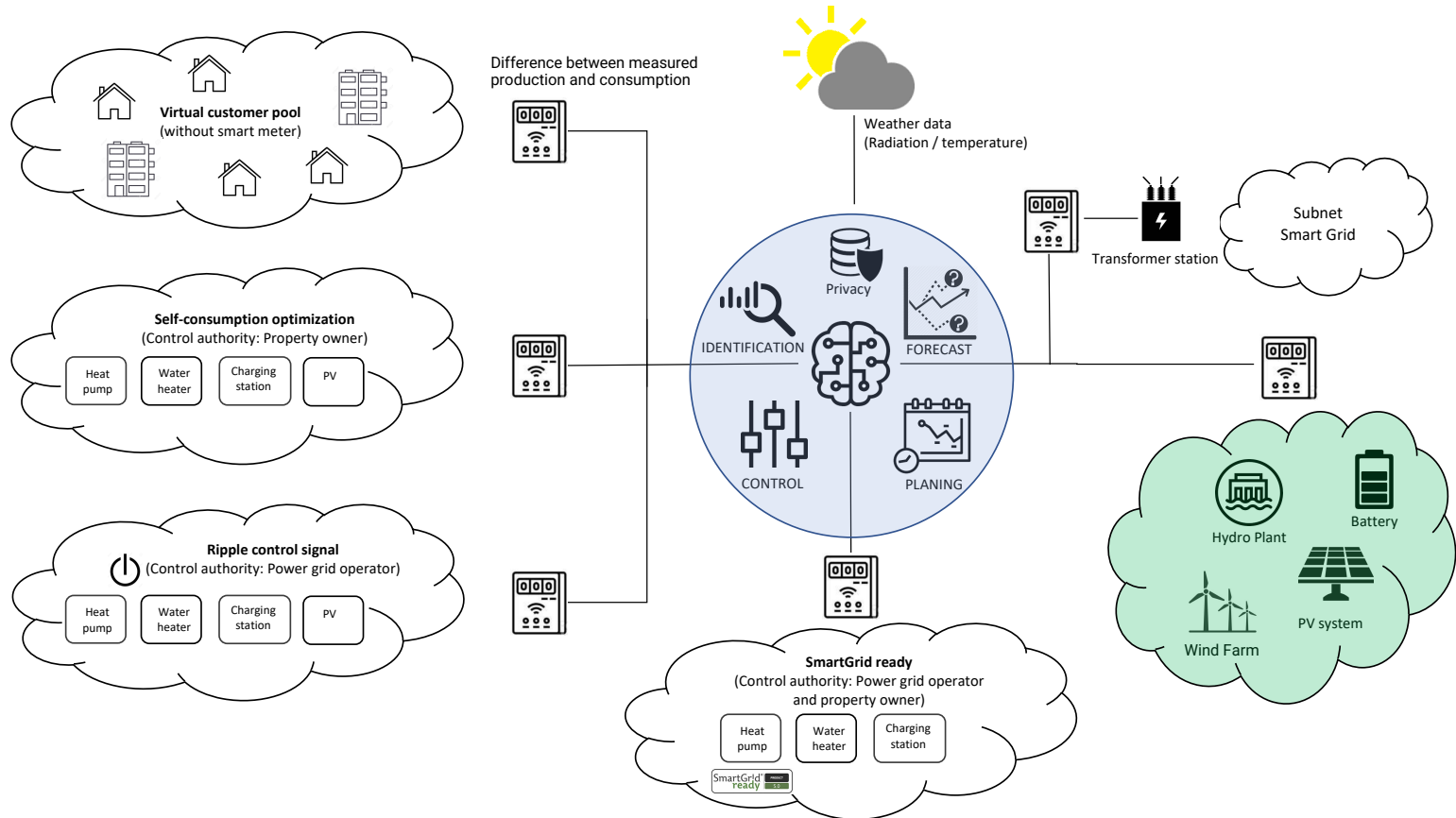
Research Partner: CC iHomeLab + Thermal Energy Storage (CC TES)

Funding: Swiss Federal Office of Energy

Industry Partner:



# GIASES – General (Holistic) Integrative Adaptive Smart Energy System



## GIASES - Quantities of the measuring points

49

EV Charging Stations



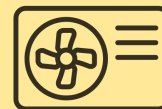
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Photovoltaic



998

Heat Pumps



282

Boiler



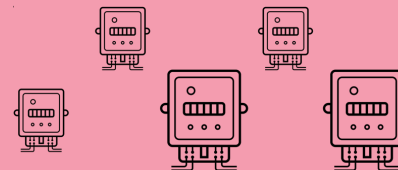
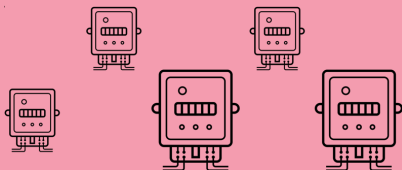
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Transformer Stations



5790

Total Measuring Points



# Main Motivation – Peak Shaving

- **Save grid expansion costs**
- **Reduction of the monthly peak load costs**

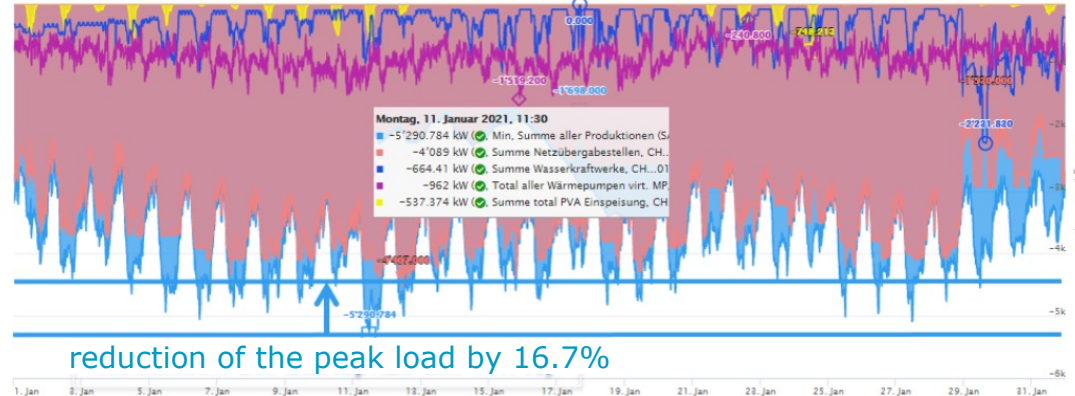
## Case Study:

- Reduction of the maximum power costs by -16.7%
- Reduction of the monthly peak load by 884 kW
- The DSO saves CHF 6'100 per month, equivalent to CHF 73'200 per year

### Betragsermittlung

Komponenten	Periode	Menge Einheit	Dauer	Ansatz [CHF]	Betrag [CHF]
<b>Netznutzung NVM</b>					
Normallast T1	01.01.21 - 31.01.21	1'026'251 kWh		0.0097	9'954.63
Schwachlast T2	01.01.21 - 31.01.21	1'645'273 kWh		0.0061	10'036.17
Blind Verrechnung	01.01.21 - 31.01.21	0 kVarh		0.035	0.00
Monatsmaximum	01.01.21 - 31.01.21	4'407.0 kW	1 Mt.	6.90	30'408.30
Grundpreis je Netzübergabestelle gemessen	01.01.21 - 31.01.21	4	1 Mt.	170.00	680.00
<b>Total Netznutzung</b>					<b>51'079.10</b>
Total Objekt exkl. MWST					51'079.10
MWST Total					7.7 % 3'933.10
<b>Total Objekt inkl. MWST</b>					<b>55'012.20</b>

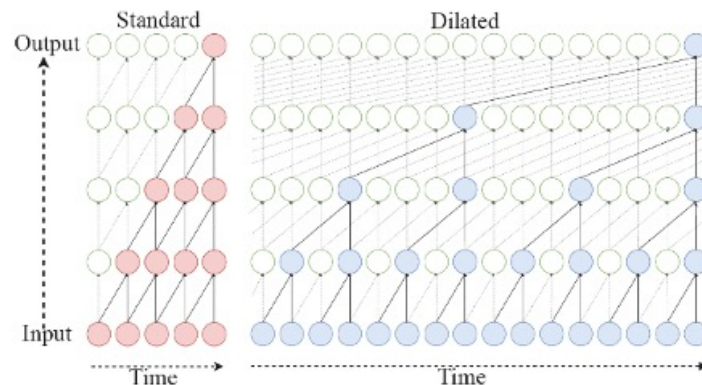
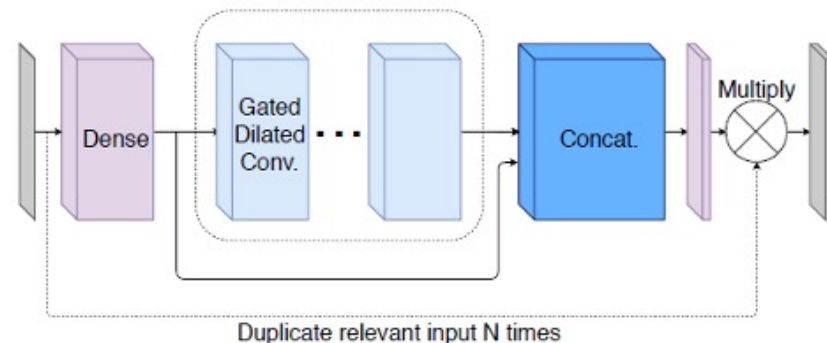
**Monthly maximum with a grid cost share of 59.5%**



# GIASES – Disaggregation-Algorithms based on WaveNilm Architecture

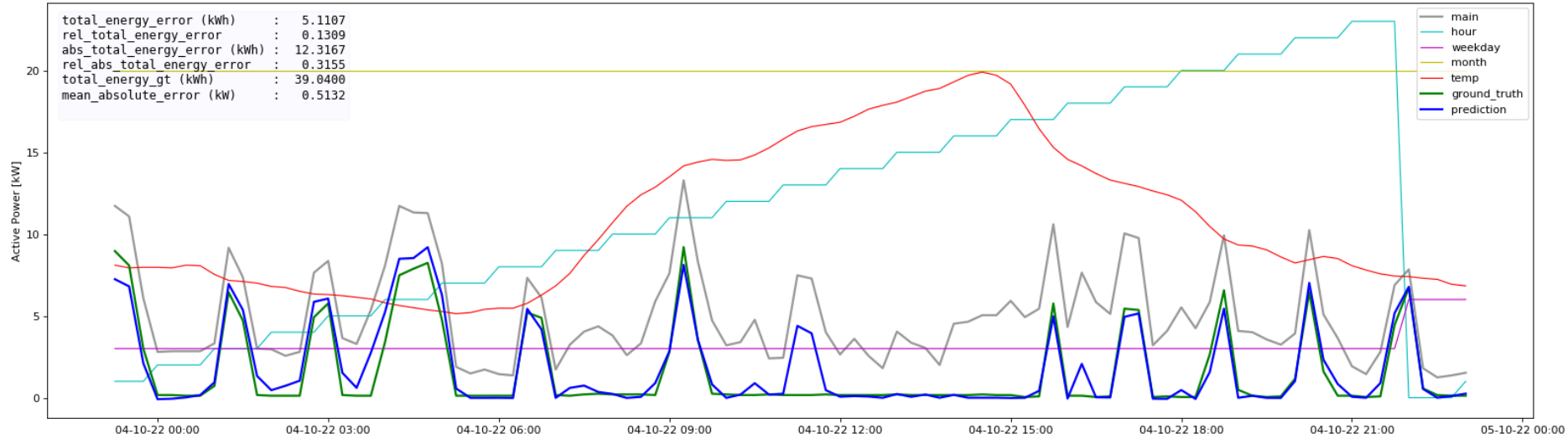
WAVENILM: A CAUSAL NEURAL NETWORK FOR POWER DISAGGREGATION FROM THE COMPLEX POWER SIGNAL  
(A. Harell et al., 2019)

Inspired by WaveNet (DeepMind) a deep neural network for generating raw audio.





## Example – Disaggregation of Heat Pumps (unseen apartment house)



# GIASES - Insights & Challenges

- Values effectively identified via the detection algorithm and visually verified are significantly lower than the values listed in the installation notice
- In the case of boilers, it is often not known whether the connection is 1-phase or 3-phase
- Replacement of a boiler by a heat pump boiler is not always reported
- Installation notices of boilers are even up to 40 years old
- Distinction between Heat Pumps, Boilers, EV-Charging Stations and others
- Missing Ground Truth for single-family houses (augmented or synthetic data)
- Low Frequency Data (15 min)

Heat Pump (HP)  
 Reported: 7.2 kW  
 Effective: 5.2 kW

Boiler  
 Reported: 6.0 kW  
 Effective: 3.1 kW

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<i>1</i>		<i>400</i>	<i>6,0</i>									
<i>1</i>		<i>400</i>	<i>4,0</i>									
Gleichzeitigkeitsfaktor ca. <i>0,5</i> <b>Installierte Leistung Total: <i>30kW</i></b>												
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# Thank you!

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