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**A Generative Adversarial Gated Recurrent Network  
for Power Disaggregation  
& Consumption Awareness**

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# OUTLINE

- ✓ Motivation and relation to climate change
- ✓ Non-intrusive load modeling (NILM) fundamentals
- ✓ Limitations of the existing NILM methods
- ✓ The proposed EnerGAN++ model
- ✓ Results

# THE PROBLEM OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION AWARENESS

**Common truth:**  
Consumers need to become aware of their energy consumption



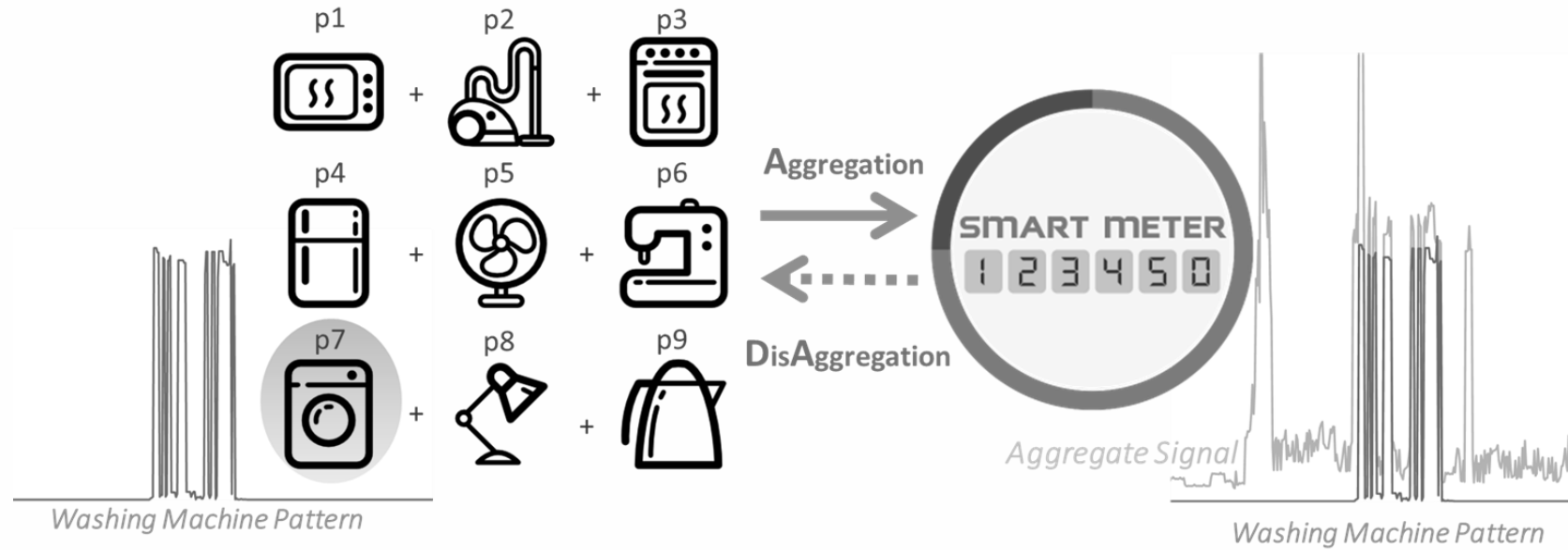
**Gap:**  
However, consumers often lack knowledge about potential energy savings, existing policy measures and relevant technologies



**Problem:**  
Nonetheless, the information about energy consumption is not translated into good practices and tailored advice for energy saving.



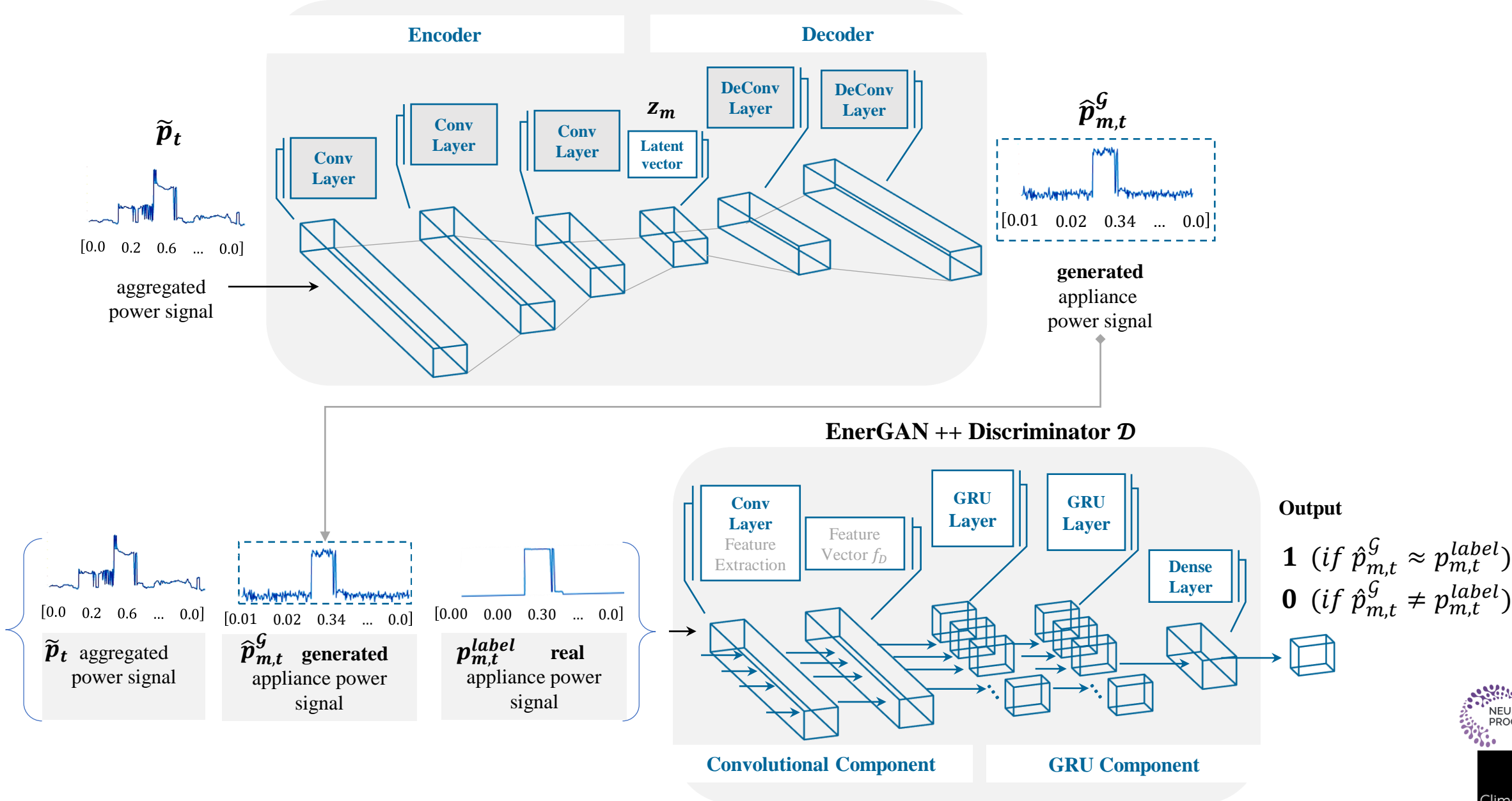
# THE SOLUTION: NILM



**Non-Intrusive Load Monitoring (NILM)**, or **Energy Disaggregation** (*Hart, 1992*) is known as the determination of appliance-specific load consumption, using the aggregate power signal of a household as input.

# OUR SOLUTION: EnerGAN++ MODEL

EnerGAN ++ Generator  $\mathcal{G}$



# PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND COMPARISONS

- **Datasets:** AMPds and REFIT

- **Metrics:**

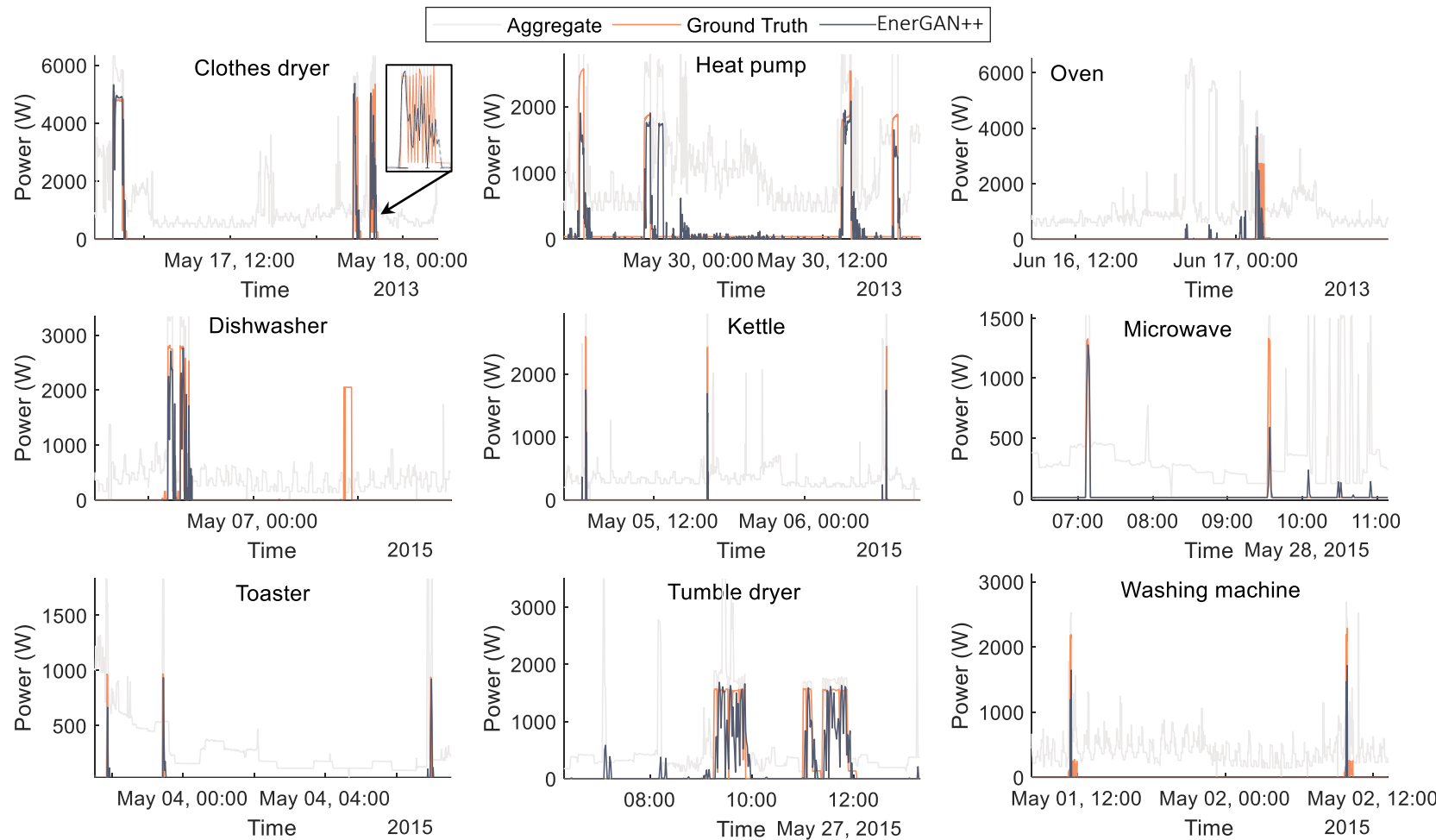
$$MAE = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T |\hat{p}_{m,t} - p_{m,t}|}{T}$$

The diagram illustrates the Mean Absolute Error (MAE) formula. It features three callout boxes: 'generated appliance power signal' pointing to  $\hat{p}_{m,t}$ , 'real appliance power signal' pointing to  $p_{m,t}$ , and 'appliance operation duration' pointing to  $T$ .

- **Comparisons:**
  - (i) Long Short-Term Memory method (*Kaselimi, 2019b, 2020*),
  - (ii) Denoising Autoencoders (DAE) (*Kelly, 2015*),
  - (iii) seq2seq CNN (*Chen, 2018*),
  - (iv) Combinatorial Optimization (CO) (*Batra, 2014*) and
  - (v) Factorial Hidden Markov Model (FHMM) (*Batra, 2014*).



# RESULTS



	Wash. Dr.	H. Pump	Oven	Dish	Kettle	Micro	Toast	Tum. Dr.	Wash
Proposed	17.7	<b>80.1</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>7.3</b>
BabiLSTM	<b>10.0</b>	88.2	17.6	29.2	41.2	15.2	12.8	48.7	17.6
DAE	37.3	55.6	19.2	25.4	9.1	12.2	8.3	32.9	13.4
seq2seq CNN	15.4	107.1	67.5	34.9	19.8	14.8	15.0	42.5	27.0
LSTM	90.2	154.9	57.6	102.1	41.1	15.9	26.7	87.8	31.8
FHMM	129.5	121.6	49.3	147.7	40.8	77.3	32.4	91.5	177.0
CO	120.1	249.3	267.1	138.8	40.6	51.8	35.6	91.9	210.9

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