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# Description and comparison of fault detection algorithms based on a selected building automation device

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**Abstract.** The article compares selected classification algorithms and those dedicated to anomaly detection. The models used temperature measurements in four rooms simulated in the Matlab Simscape environment as test signals. The empirical part of the work consists of two parts. In the first one, an example data from the simulated building heating model object, models were built using unsupervised and supervised machine learning algorithms. Then, data from the facility was collected again with changed parameters (failures occurred at times other than the test ones, and the temperature patterns differed from those recorded and used to train the models). The algorithms' effects and test signals (temperature changes) were saved in the database. The obtained results were presented graphically in the Grafana program. The second part of the work presents a solution in which the analysis of the operating status of the heating system takes place in real time. Using an OPC server, data was exchanged between the Matlab environment and the database installed on a virtual machine in the Ubuntu system. The conclusions present the results and collect the authors' suggestions regarding the practical applications of the discussed classification models.

**Key words:** fault detection, machine learning, building automation, smart-metering

# 1. INTRODUCTION

In today's dynamic development of new technologies, work on fault detection systems is essential for maintaining the reliability and safety of various processes and devices. Detecting potential problems or damage enables quick corrective action before a total failure occurs. It helps to effectively exclude high repair costs and unfavourable equipment downtime. The early detection model of potential threats contributes to a higher reliability level and extends the devices's durability. Instead of routine, constant inspections, detecting damage on an ongoing basis allows for optimal planning of maintenance works. For some devices, failures may pose a serious threat to user safety. The fault detection model can allow for quick intervention and appropriate corrective measures, minimising risk to people using the device [1]. In the context of this challenge, the presented study focuses on analysing and comparing various fault detection algorithms. Thanks to the use of advanced analysis techniques, the presented research allows for the selection of solutions that can significantly improve the ability, speed and effectiveness of detecting, locating and diagnosing irregularities in building automation systems [2].

# 2. BUILDING AUTOMATION

Building automation is a field of technology that uses control and automation systems in buildings to optimise their

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performance, energy efficiency, user comfort and safety. It includes a network of devices that manage various installations in the building and its surroundings. This automated connection system creates the so-called intelligent building that enables control of many of its functions. The benefits of building automation include improved installation operation, increased comfort, financial savings, security, and remote control. Fault detection and analysis in building automation systems involves identifying, locating and understanding the causes of device malfunctions or failures. Many diagnostic methods and fault location techniques support this process, which includes: data analysis; tests and inspections; signaling techniques; diagnostics and prediction; Laboratory tests; fault location techniques; cause and effect analysis [3,4].

# 3. MACHINE LEARNING

Machine learning is one of the areas of artificial intelligence that includes a set of algorithms capable of independently improving their performance by gaining experience and analysing data. In other words, it is a process in which the software can learn from the information provided and gradually improve its skills through subsequent operations. In the 1950s and 1960s, Artur Samuel from IBM developed a program to train chess players, which can be considered the beginning of machine learning. Samuel introduced the term "machine learning" as "the ability of computers to learn without having to program new skills." In 1965, the Dendral program was created at Stanford University, which was a



breakthrough in analysing and identifying molecules of organic compounds based on data [5,6].

Today, there are many types of machine learning, which can be divided into two main categories: supervised and unsupervised learning.

Supervised learning [7] involves the presence of a human in the learning process. In this case, the algorithms learn based on input data that are labeled, i.e., assigned appropriate markings or classes. Algorithms learn to recognize patterns and create predictive models based on labelled-data. Examples of supervised learning techniques include classification, regression, and prediction.

Unsupervised learning [8] on the other hand, unsupervised learning occurs without labeled data and does not require human supervision. Algorithms learn from the structure and patterns of input data, identifying relationships and grouping similar objects. Examples of unsupervised learning techniques include clustering, dimensionality reduction, and association.

#### 3.1. Data classification.

Classification involves assigning objects to specific, known categories, where each can be assigned to only one class. The classification process consists of two stages. The first stage is learning, generating the knowledge necessary to carry out the process. The second stage is the actual determination of the result, during which the knowledge generated in the learning phase is used [9].

#### 3.2. Data classification algorithms.

Data classification algorithms include various methods and techniques for creating classification models. An algorithm is a specific set of clearly defined steps that a computer can perform to achieve a specific result. With machine learning models, the goal is to establish or discover patterns that humans can use to make predictions or classify data [6].

# 3.3. Anomaly detection algorithms.

Anomaly detection algorithms are unsupervised learning algorithms and are data analysis techniques that aim to

identify unusual, rare or outlier observations in a dataset. Anomalies may indicate observations that differ from the normal pattern or represent potential abnormalities, failures, fraud, or unusual behaviour [10].

# 3.4. Criteria for comparing classification algorithms.

When analysing the results obtained by the algorithms, classification efficiency, i.e. the ability of the algorithm to correctly assign samples to the correct classes, was chosen as the main evaluation criterion. Although accuracy is the most commonly used indicator, sensitivity, i.e. the ability of the model to detect the most minor deviations from the norm, was also considered here [11]. It will also be essential to compare the performance of all algorithms, taking into account the time required for training and classification. This time is crucial, especially with large datasets or real-time applications [12].

#### 4. METHODOLOGY

For this work, a model illustrating the heating system of a building (fig.1) offered in the Matlab-Simulink [13,14] library was used. The facility consisted of four rooms equipped with radiators. The simulation calculated the room temperature values based on the heat exchange with the environment through its external walls, roof and windows. Each path was simulated as a combination of thermal convection, heat conduction, and thermal mass. It was assumed that no heat was transferred internally between rooms. The heater consisted of a furnace, a boiler, an accumulator, and a pump that circulated hot water in the system. A PI controller with an active integral limit, ani-windup, started fuel flow to the furnace if the average room temperature fell below 21 °C and stopped it if the temperature exceeded 25 °C. The disturbance in the example was the external temperature with a sinusoidal waveform. It was important that the waveform change gradually so that the model could be evaluated for subtle changes in temperature values. For this reason, a sine wave was used instead of abrupt jumps in values. A fault was manually introduced into the simulation in the form of open windows, damaged radiators and a damaged stove to disturb the temperature inside the rooms.

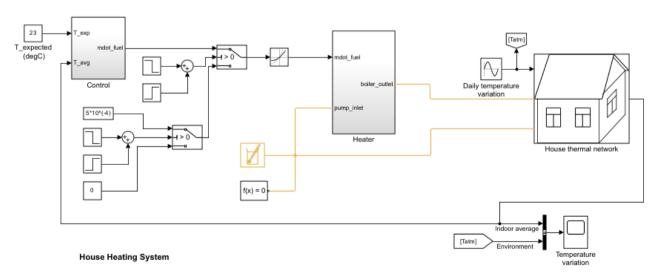


Fig.1. Matlab building heating model

Using the Repeating Sequence block, time series were built for combinations of different simulation variances of radiator damage and open windows, manipulating the value of the furnace efficiency and the leakage of warm air through the windows. The time series include damage in each room, then combinations of damaged radiators in two rooms, and for open windows additionally in three and in all rooms. Damage to all radiators at once was not possible in the simulation. Figure 2 shows the Repeating Sequence blocks and the object's transmittance added to the simulation.

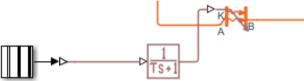


Fig.2. Repeating Sequence block and object transfer function

The work was then divided into two parts. The first involved simulating the operating time of the facility, while the second presented a data exchange solution between the real-time test facility and the database. In the second, an OPC server solution (KEPSerwerEX) was used [15].

# 4.1. Supervised learning of algorithms.

A run was created with the training data, where all possible variances of the interference were simulated and then given labels (fig.3).

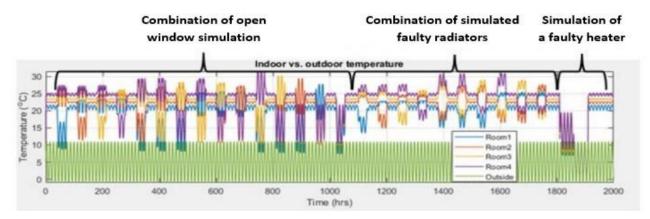


Fig.3. Temperature waveforms recorded

The data was divided into temperature values for individual rooms. The runs were divided into parts presenting data for individual faults and those representing correct operation of the model (fig.4).

p0=1; p0e=290; p1=291; p1e=685; p2=686; p2=686; p2e=967; p3=968; p3e=1345;

Fig.4. Determining the division points of the route – section

Each fault was assigned an individual variable, and then using the "for" command, each data sample was associated with a label describing a specific fault, e.g. Open window in room 1, Damaged radiator in room 2. The purpose of this procedure is to later indicate to the algorithms an appropriate rule that will map the input data to the desired output. In the next step, the "species" matrix was declared, containing all variables describing the faults. Based on this matrix and data from all rooms, a table with training data was created (fig.5).

T\_tren=table(species,Room1,Room2,Room3,Room4,Outside);

# Fig.5. Training data table

The above steps were repeated to prepare the test data. It was necessary to remember that the order of faults in the run for the test data should be different from that for the training data (fig.6).

T\_test=table(species,Room1,Room2,Room3,Room4,Outside);

# Fig.6. Test data table

The data was standardized and, using the Classification Learner tool available in the Statistics and Machine Learning Toolbox [16, 17], classification models for supervised learning algorithms were created. It is an interactive and graphical user interface that allows easy and fast exploration, analysis and training of classification models. The first step in the process of testing algorithms in Matlab is to collect the data on which classification will be performed. The data has to be imported into the Classification Learner environment. As mentioned earlier, the dataset is divided into two main subsets: training set and test set. The training set is used to train the model, and the test set is used to evaluate the model performance on new data. In the initial comparison, all algorithms offered by Matlab were used. In the model training process, the algorithms are fitted to the training data in order to teach the models to recognize patterns and their associated class labels. After training is completed, it is possible to evaluate the performance of each model on the test set. Different performance evaluation metrics are available in Classification Learner, such as accuracy, precision, and recall.



In the initial analysis, the accuracy of prediction was taken into account and five algorithms were selected for further analysis (table 1).

TABLE 1. Algorithms with the highest failure detection efficiency

	Algorithm type	Subtype	Accuracy
1.	Logistic regression	Efficient Logistic Regression	91,10 %
2.	Support vector machine	Quadratic SVM	91,74 %
3.	K-nearest neighbors	Cosine KNN	89,99 %
4.	Multiple classifiers	Bagged Trees	90,80 %
5.	Neural network	Trillayered Neural Network	92,33 %

Accuracy of classification models is calculated based on the model's prediction results in relation to known class labels in the test data set. It is described by the following equation:

$$Accuracy = \frac{Number\ of\ correct\ predictions}{Total\ number\ of\ samples}$$

In the initial phase, it is often crucial to filter algorithms in terms of their overall quality, which accuracy does very effectively. Only in the subsequent stages of analysis were the models assessed in terms of precision and recall

Efficient Logistic Regression – this classifier works on the basis of classical logistic regression. Still, it has been optimized to better cope with large data sets. It uses efficient optimization techniques that allow the model to fit faster on large data sets. By optimizing the learning process, this type of logistic regression achieves higher performance, resulting in reduced time and resources needed to train the model on big data [18]. Figure 7 shows the algorithm training parameters. The parameters include, among others, data such as the accuracy of validation and test data. The prediction speed, expressed in the number of observations per second, which means the number of predictions that the classifier is able to make in one second. The total training time and the size of the model.

#### Training Results

Accuracy (Validation) 92.8%
Total cost (Validation) 1251
Prediction speed 72400 obs/sec
Training time 162.98 sec
Model size (Compact) 74 MB

#### **Test Results**

Accuracy (Test) 91.1% Total cost (Test) 1461

Fig.7. Efficient Logistic Regression algorithm training parameters

• Quadratic SVM – an extension of the standard SVM algorithm that allows quadratic interactions between features to be taken into account during the classification process. This means that the Quadratic SVM model can detect more complex relationships between features, particularly useful for data where decision boundaries are not linear. By considering quadratic interactions, this algorithm can better deal with non-linear patterns and provide greater

generalizability for more complex datasets [19]. Figure 8 shows the training parameters of the Quadratic SVM algorithm. Compared to the previous algorithm, it achieved a higher value of accuracy in both validation and training data. However, the prediction speed is much lower and the training time of this algorithm is almost 8 times longer than Efficient Logistic Regression. What can affect the advantage of the Quadratic SVM algorithm is the smaller size of the model.

#### **Training Results**

Accuracy (Validation) 96.3%
Total cost (Validation) 641
Prediction speed ~1700 obs/sec
Training time 894.33 sec
Model size (Compact) ~2 MB

#### Test Results

Accuracy (Test) 91.7% Total cost (Test) 1356

Fig.8. Quadratic SVM algorithm training parameters

Cosine KNN - a variant of the classic KNN algorithm that uses cosine similarity. The operation of this classifier is based on measuring the cosine similarity between vectors representing objects in the feature space. Unlike traditional KNN, where Euclidean distance determines similarity, cosine similarity measures the angle between two feature vectors. This is particularly useful when the features have different amplitudes or do not have a fixed scale. Cosine KNN can be used, for example, in text analysis, where feature vectors represent the frequency of words, and cosine similarity allows the degree of similarity between documents to be determined [20]. Figure 9 shows the training parameters of the Cosine KNN algorithm. It achieved comparably high accuracy compared to previous algorithms, but what distinguishes it is the high prediction speed and small model size.

# **Training Results**

Accuracy (Validation) 94.9%
Total cost (Validation) 886
Prediction speed ~7600 obs/sec
Training time 1513.1 sec
Model size (Compact) ~979 kB

#### Test Results

Accuracy (Test) 90.0% Total cost (Test) 1643

Fig.9. Cosine KNN algorithm training parameters

 Bagged Trees – is one of the compound classifiers that uses a set of decision trees to improve classification performance. By using multiple trees and various training data, Bagged Trees tends to show better generalization ability and lower risk of over-fitting compared to a single decision tree. At the time of prediction, each tree in the set predicts the



test data and the final class is selected based on a majority vote. In binary classification, most trees unanimously decide to assign the data to one of the classes [21]. Figure 10 shows the training parameters of the Bagged Trees algorithm. It achieved the highest accuracy of all the validation data. The accuracy of the test data is similar to the rest of the algorithms. What affects the algorithm's disadvantage is the very large weight of the model, 16 MB. The algorithm approximately characterized by a very high prediction speed and a short model training time.

# **Training Results**

Accuracy (Validation) 97.1%
Total cost (Validation) 494
Prediction speed ~14000 obs/sec
Training time 1578.7 sec
Model size (Compact) ~16 MB

#### **Test Results**

Accuracy (Test) 90.8% Total cost (Test) 1510

Fig.10. Bagged Trees algorithm training parameters

Trillayered Neural Network - is one of the fundamental types of neural networks. It is also called a unidirectional neural network (feedforward neural network) because data flows through the network in only one direction, i.e. from the input layer to the output layer. It consists of three main layers: an input layer, where input data is received; a hidden layer, where feature values are processed by neurons that perform calculations using weights and activation functions; and an output layer, where results are generated based on the processed data from the hidden layer [22,23]. Figure 11 shows the parameters of the Trilayered Neural Network training. Compared to the previous algorithms, the quality of the neural network is better in almost every respect. The classifier achieved the highest accuracy on the test data, and its prediction speed reaches 190000 obs/sec. What is also worth noting is the very small size of the model, reaching only 21 KB.

# Training Results

 Accuracy (Validation)
 96.7%

 Total cost (Validation)
 579

 Prediction speed
 ~190000 obs/sec

 Training time
 3638.9 sec

 Model size (Compact)
 ~21 kB

# Test Results

Accuracy (Test) 92.3% Total cost (Test) 1259

Fig.11. Training parameters of the Trilayered Neural Network algorithm

#### 4.2. Unsupervised learning of algorithms.

Unlike classification models in supervised learning, unsupervised learning does not require initial training on

labelled data or the assignment of labels. The process of training the algorithm takes place automatically, without user intervention. The data generated by the algorithm can identify those that differ from the overall trend. Models have been built using K-means, One-Class SVM and iForest algorithms.

K-means (fig. 12) – is called the centroid algorithm; its learning process works iteratively, aiming to find K groups (centroids). Each point is assigned to the nearest centroid, minimizing the sum of squares of the distances between the data and the centroids. The algorithm was configured to display two clusters of data, i.e. normal values and anomalies [24]. The 'Display' parameter has been set to 'final', which means that only the final progress information will be displayed during the execution of the K-means algorithm. The 'Distance' parameter specifies the distance metric used to calculate the distance between points and cluster centroids. In this case, after testing several, the most suitable option for the given case was the "cityblock" option, i.e. Manhattan Distance, where the sum of the absolute values of the differences between corresponding features is calculated. The 'Replicates' parameter specifies how many times the K-means algorithm should be run with different random initial centroid positions. The final result will be the result of the replication that achieved the best result. This value was chosen experimentally.

```
load('daneTempTest2.mat');
RoomI=ytest.Data(500:end,1);
Room2=ytest.Data(500:end,2);
Room3=ytest.Data(500:end,3);
Room4=ytest.Data(500:end,4);
Outside=ytest.Data(500:end,5);
X = [Room1, Room2, Room3, Room4, Outside];
opts = statset('Display','final');
[idx,C] = kmeans(X, 2, 'Distance', 'cityblock', 'Replicates', 50, 'Options', opts);
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Fig.12. K-means algorithm classification model

One-class SVM (fig.13) – a variant of the standard SVM algorithm, it is used to identify unusual observations in the data by training the model on only one class of data (without labelled outliers). The model creates a hyperplane (or hyper curve in the case of non-linear kernels) in a multidimensional feature space that attempts to constrain most data points inside the boundaries (hyperplane) or at the periphery of the boundaries. Points outside these boundaries are considered unusual and may be classified as outliers from the rest of the data [25]. The efficiency of the model depends on the selection of parameters, which were determined experimentally. The 'ocsvm' function was used. The function itself, without the selection of parameters, gave unsatisfactory results - only a few samples were classified as anomalies. To make the model more efficient, the data were standardized 'StandardizeData=true'. The automatic kernel scale function was selected, which is an element in the SVM algorithm and controls the transformation of the data space. "Auto" suggests that the kernel scale will be adjusted automatically. The 'Lambda' parameter is a



regularization parameter that affects the flexibility of the model's decision boundary, also set automatically and the most important element influencing the efficiency of the 'ContaminationFraction' model, i.e. the expected percentage of anomalies in the training data. Knowing the training data, the parameter was set to 25%. This parameter should be selected carefully, because too high a value leads to overfitting the model.

```
load('daneTemp.mat');
RoomI=y.Data(500:end,1);
RoomZ=y.Data(500:end,2);
Room3=y.Data(500:end,3);
Room3=y.Data(500:end,4);
Outside=y.Data(500:end,4);
Outside=y.Data(500:end,4);
Value = [Room1, Room2, Room3, Room4, Outside];

load('daneTempTest2.mat');
Room1=ytest.Data(500:end,1);
Room2=ytest.Data(500:end,2);
Room3=ytest.Data(500:end,3);
Room4=ytest.Data(500:end,3);
Room4=ytest.Data(500:end,3);
Value = [Room1, Room2, Room3, Room4, Outside];
iforest.Data(500:end,5);
Value = [Room1, Room2, Room3, Room4, Outside];
iforestanomaly = iforest(Xdane,ContaminationFraction=0.25,NumLearners=150);
isanomalyiforest = isanomaly(iforestanomaly,Xtest);
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Fig.13. One-class SVM algorithm classification model

iForest (fig.14) - is one of the commonly used unsupervised learning algorithms belonging to the family of decision trees. It is one of the most popular models for detecting anomalies in data, i.e. observations that deviate significantly from the predicted norm. The algorithm builds decision trees based on the features of the data and identifies those points that do not fit the rest of the set. The syntax of the algorithm is quite similar to that of a one-class SVM. Equally important is selecting an appropriate percentage of anomalies in the training data. Since the training data set remained constant. In addition, a parameter was introduced to determine the number of trees (learning classifiers) in the iForest algorithm. Each tree is a certain number of samples from which model attempts to isolate Automatically, this value is set to 100 trees, but due to the large dataset, it was increased to 150, which improved the classification result by several per cent [26].

```
load('daneTemp.mat');
Rooml=y.Data($00:end,1);
Rooml=y.Data($00:end,2);
Rooml=y.Data($00:end,3);
Rooml=y.Data($00:end,4);
Outside=y.Data($00:end,6);

load('daneTempTest2.mat');
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,1);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,1);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,3);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,3);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,3);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
Rooml=ytest.Data($00:end,4);
OneClassSVM=occsvm(Xdane,StandardizeData=true,KernelScale="auto",Lambda="auto",ContaminationFraction=0.25)
isanomal_vsvm = isanomal_vsvm
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Fig.14. iForest algorithm classification model

Unlike supervised learning algorithms, which produce a constant result each time they are run, unsupervised learning algorithms perform a series of calculations in the classification process, and their result always differs by a few percent. This can negatively affect the usability of these algorithms.

#### 4.3. OPC server

Matlab-Simulink provides many possibilities to compare the performance of algorithms, first of all you can freely "damage" model elements to detect any potential damage and teach algorithms to recognize it, which is not the case with real systems. However, this program also has a number of difficulties, which are often impossible to solve. First of all, it is a real-time simulation. To prepare training and test data, it is necessary to finish the simulation and then save it in a file, which is later used to train algorithms, which forces a fixed simulation time.

The paper proposes a solution to the above problem using a communicator, which is the OPC server. However, this requires the use of Statistic and Machine Learning Toolbox blocks, because all simulation-related activities for test data are performed directly in Simulink without using a script in Matlab. This toolbox offers only blocks related to supervised machine learning. The scope of these algorithms is very small, which is not the case in the previously discussed Classification Learner. First, the procedure is standard, i.e. a training set with class labels of possible failures should be prepared. For the needs of the paper, a simulation with one failure was created, because at this point the algorithms will not be compared, and only a way to solve the simulation problem in real mode will be shown. Attempts were made to prepare a model with all possible failures, but during real-time simulation, despite the lack of errors in compilation, the time was very slow, until finally the simulation stopped at the level of microseconds, which could be caused by the program version or internal limitations of the computer system.

After preparing the test data and labeling the time samples, the classes were changed to numerical values to avoid later errors in the data type in the database. The classification model was trained using the 'fitcecoc' function, which is used to train a multiclass classifier using the Error-Correcting Output Codes (ECOC) coding strategy. This technique solves the multiclass classification problem by transforming it into a series of binary classification problems. The ECOC strategy is based on the fact that each class is represented as a combination of the binary outputs of the classifiers. Each of these binary classifiers is responsible for recognizing one pair of classes: the "target class" (the class the user wants to recognize) and the "other class" (the remaining classes that are not the target class). The results of these classifiers are then combined to obtain the final decision.

Then, a preliminary simulation with a damaged furnace was prepared for the test data to check the algorithm's performance. The available ClassificationECOC Predict block was used and Scope was connected to it (fig.15).

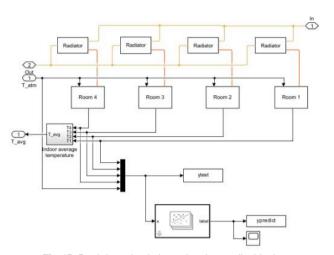


Fig.15. Real-time simulation using the predict block

Figure 16 shows the response of the classification model to the simulation of the heating model operation, which indicates correct fault detection.

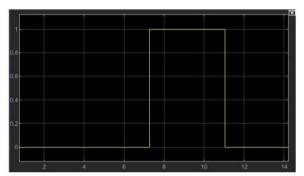


Fig.16. Classification model response

# Data import into InfluxDB and PostgreSQL databases.

The InfluxDB [27,28] database is one of the most popular open-source time series databases. It was designed as a solution for projects that generate large amounts of data over

time, especially for smart metering. For this reason, it was chosen as the most suitable tool for the issues addressed in the article.

A PostgreSQL [28,29] database was used for the stage using the OPC server. A relational database was used because of the ease of communication of such a database with Matlab.

#### 4.5. Visualisation in the Grafana system.

Grafana [30] is an open-source tool for data visualisation and monitoring that visualizes the results obtained. It enables the creation of attractive data visualizations such as graphs, bar charts, dot plots, pie charts, heat maps, and much more. This allows users to to understand better and analyse data. Grafana supports various data sources, such as InfluxDB and PostgreSQL databases.

#### 5. RESULTS

#### 5.1. Simulated time operation.

After the data was stored in the database, InfluxDB was communicated to the Grafana visualization system. The simulation simulation run as a function of time with different combinations of faults and the responses of the supervised learning algorithms are shown in fig.17. At first glance, the neural network and quadratic SVM performed best with the classification. At some points, they misclassified the damage at the beginning of the detection, while after providing more measurements, they eventually recognized the correct damage. The other algorithms happened to detect damage in the correct data, which can confuse real objects and wasted time detecting damage that does not occur. All algorithms mostly confused the values for open windows and classified them as damaged radiators. This is due to the similar behaviour of the temperature values for these types of damage.



Fig.17. Diagram showing the result of the supervised learning algorithms

The algorithms handled the heater damage very well, as such damage results in temperatures in all rooms dropping to the outside temperature, which cannot be mistaken for any other fault. Other than that, the operation of the algorithms is relatively correct - they reacted to every anomaly present in

the data. To better illustrate the performance of the algorithms, a graph of the misclassified data against the manual description of the data sample labels is also shown (fig.18). The fewest errors were observed in the performance of the Trillayered Neural Network algorithm.



Fig.18. Sum of incorrect classifications of supervised learning algorithms

Another visualization was carried out for the unsupervised learning algorithms. The results of the One-class SVM and iForest algorithms were compared simultaneously, as the syntax of their models is similar. They produced similar results, with a slight advantage in favour of One-Class SVM (fig.19). They reacted to every anomaly present. In contrast, with most of the anomalies present, they had a problem making a final decision, which is why, as seen in the graphs, the markers jump from 0 to 1. The performance of the K-means algorithm did not give satisfactory results. It detected about 50 per cent of anomalies in the data, only where the

temperature in the facility reached the outside temperature. When it fell by a few °C, e.g., due to open windows, the algorithm did not classify this as a fault.

However, it is essential to note that for the One-class SVM and iForest algorithms, a definite disadvantage in building classification models based on these algorithms is the need for a percentage of anomalies present in the data. Without this, the performance of the algorithms was decidedly inferior to K-means - they classified only a few data samples for the damaged heater as abnormal.

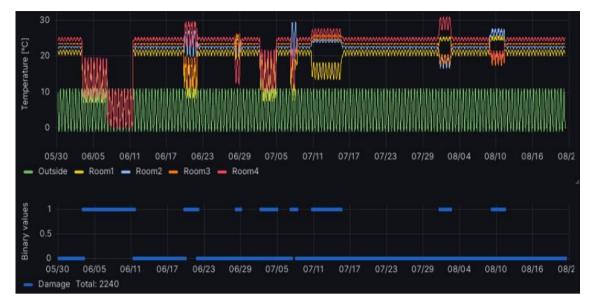


Fig.19. Diagram showing the result of the One-class SVM algorithm

# 5.2. Real-time operation.

For real-time simulation, the alerting offered by Grafana has also been added to the data visualization. This is the process of monitoring and detecting anomalies or abnormal behaviour in systems and metrics and generating notifications or alerts when certain thresholds or conditions are exceeded. As for previous visualisations, Grafana was connected to a database, this time, PostgreSQL. Alerting was then configured,

depending only on the values returned by the classification model. A value of 0 indicates no damage in the system, while 1 indicates damage. Therefore, a condition was set so that for all values above 0, an alert about a detected anomaly is triggered. The fig.20 shows the real-time simulation run along with the response of the classification model. The system worked as expected - it correctly detected the anomaly at a time that agreed with the simulation run.

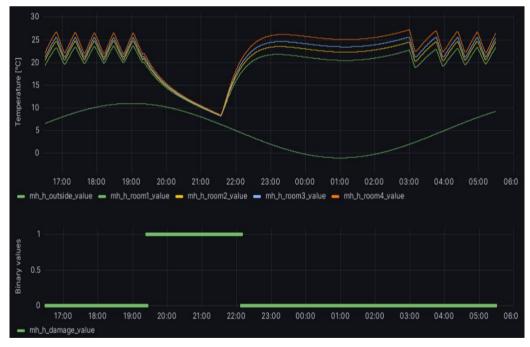


Fig.20. Real-time simulation diagram



#### 6. CONCLUSIONS

Analysing the obtained results, the popular supervised learning algorithms remain reliable: the Trilllayered Neural Network and Support Vector Machine SVM (Quadratic SVM). However, two unsupervised learning algorithms—one-class SVM and iForest—achieved comparable results.

The goal of supervised learning is to train a model to predict or classify data based on the labels provided in the training data. The model is trained by examples to assign input data to the appropriate categories accurately. Such learning algorithms require labeled training data that contains input-output (featurelabel) pairs. They find their uses in classification, regression and anomaly detection where there are clearly defined labels or predictive goals. The ability to evaluate is relatively easier than unsupervised learning algorithms because there are comparison labels. Measures such as accuracy, precision, sensitivity and confusion matrix are commonly used for evaluation [7,9,31]. Unsupervised learning aims to discover hidden patterns, structures, or relationships in data without using labels. There are no labels, and unsupervised algorithms try to group similar data or reduce the dimensionality of the data. Activities take place on unlabeled or unlabeled data. They are often used to group data, reduce dimensionality, detect anomalies and generate data structures. Assessing their effectiveness is more difficult because there are no comparative labels. Other evaluation methods must be used, such as internal measures [32].

The choice between supervised and unsupervised machine learning depends on the data's characteristics, the labels' availability, and the purpose of the analysis. In practice, these two methods can often be combined to obtain better results and a deeper understanding of the data. In this case, supervised algorithms work better when dealing with an object consisting of several rooms. They detect specific damage in a specific room, which will save time wasted on locating damage in the case of unsupervised algorithms. They are also much more accurate; they always detect an anomaly and, although at the beginning, the measurements delivered frequently were wrong about the type of damage, after providing more samples, they classified correctly.

The advantage of unsupervised learning models is the classification time. In the case of this facility, where the data determines the temperature values in the rooms, it affects the thermal comfort of the inhabitants. Therefore, it is important to react as quickly as possible. This time is only disturbed by the lack of knowledge in which room the damage occurred. Unsupervised algorithms can discover hidden patterns in new data, which is impossible with supervised learning. However, due to the lack of labels, it is more difficult to understand why the model makes certain decisions [33].

An exciting aspect of the work was an attempt to directly communicate the Matlab Simulink program with the database, so that it was possible to control the temperature values in real time constantly. For this purpose, an OPC server was used to act as an intermediary in data transfer. The OPC server collected data from the Simulink process then processed it into

specified data types and then sent it to a previously selected database communicated with the server. However, this method does not allow you to test all the algorithms discussed by everyone due to the lack of appropriate blocks in Simulink. The complexity of the simulated processes and the large number of labels in the training data also slowed down and blocked the system [15].

#### 6.1. Possible development.

The topics discussed in the above article provide ample opportunities for further development. First of all, application in a real environment. Selected fault detection algorithms can be tested in a real building automation environment. By carefully analysing test results, operating conditions, confounding factors and potential challenges in implementing algorithms can be considered. It is also possible to further combine the algorithms to increase their efficiency and integrate with existing systems, adapt to various devices and monitor performance in the long run. Further testing the algorithms on different devices, it will be possible to see how algorithms behave in different conditions and environments. In the further development of this issue, it will be essential to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of the implementation of the developed fault detection algorithms and compare the estimated benefits with the implementation and maintenance costs to assess the effectiveness of the technology in practice.

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