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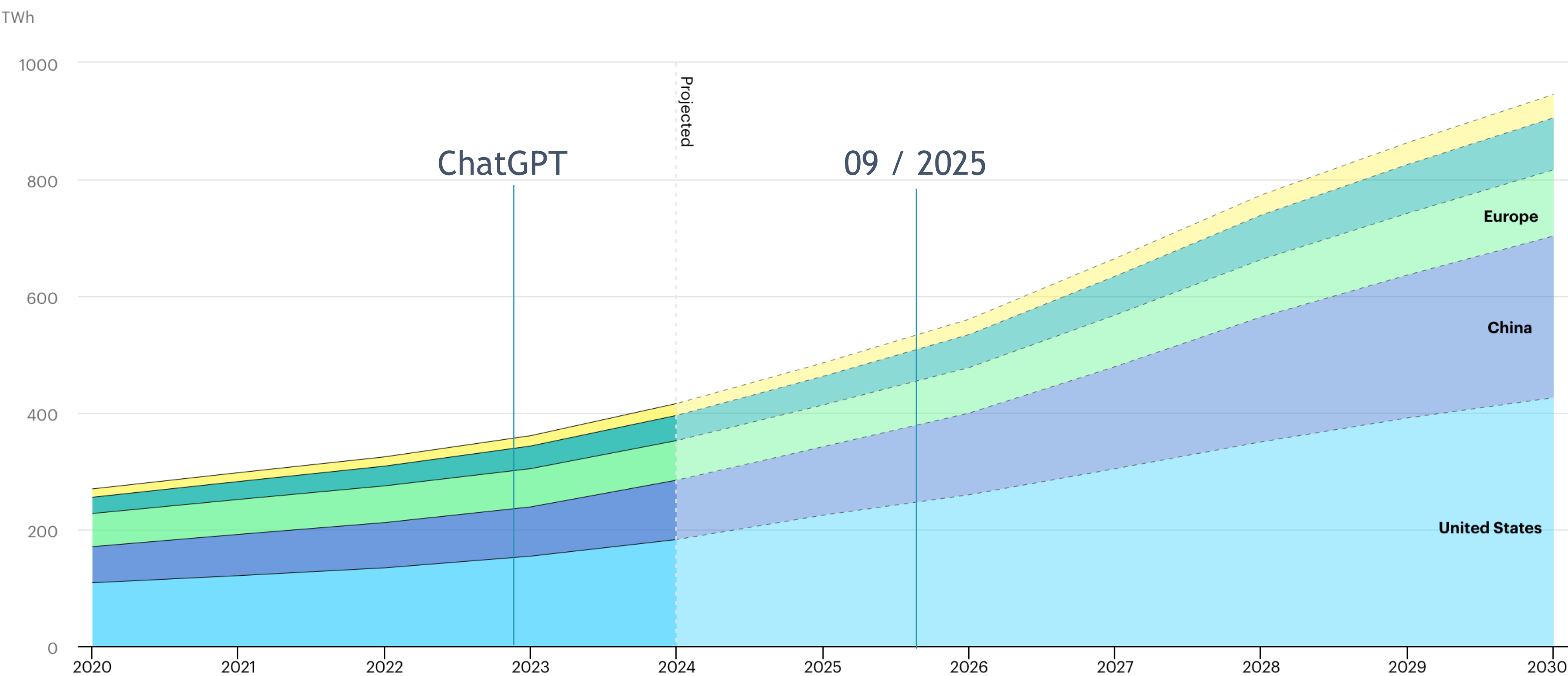
Tekoälyn energiankulutuksen jalanjälki

Green ICT Ekosysteemitapaaminen
18.9.2025



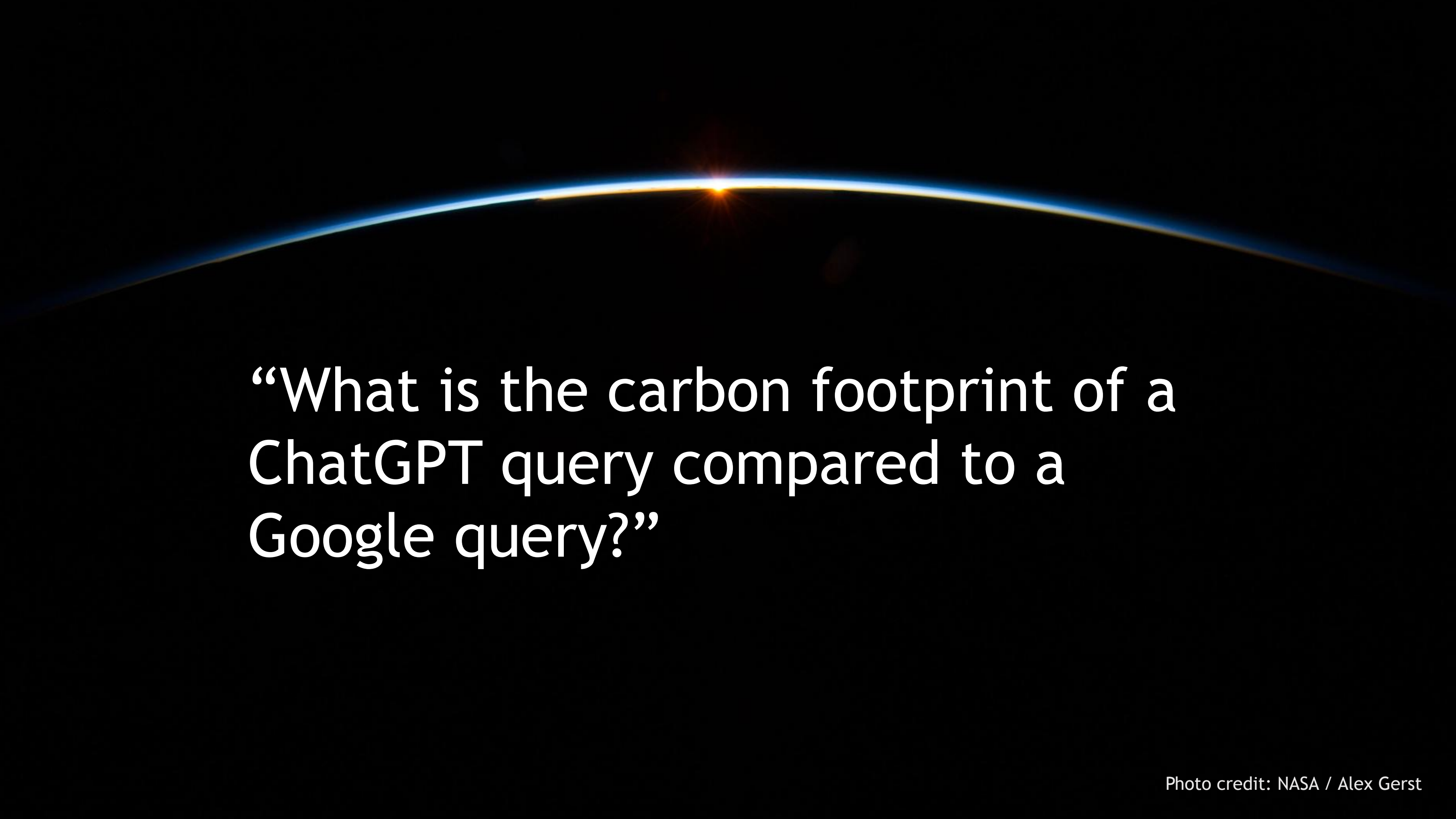
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Data center energy consumption increases worldwide



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Source: IEA (2025), Data centre electricity consumption by region, Base Case, 2020-2030, IEA, Paris
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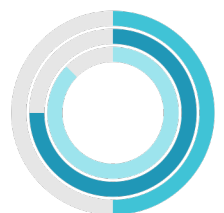


“What is the carbon footprint of a ChatGPT query compared to a Google query?”

Vanderbauwhede (2024):

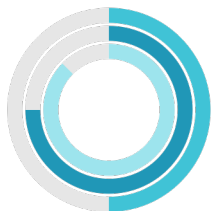
“AI-generated answers to conventional search queries dramatically increase the energy consumption.

By our estimates, energy demand increase by 60-70 times.”



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480 trillion tokens processed by Alphabet a month
(May 2025)



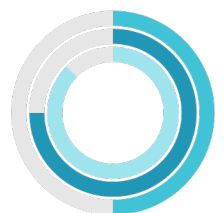
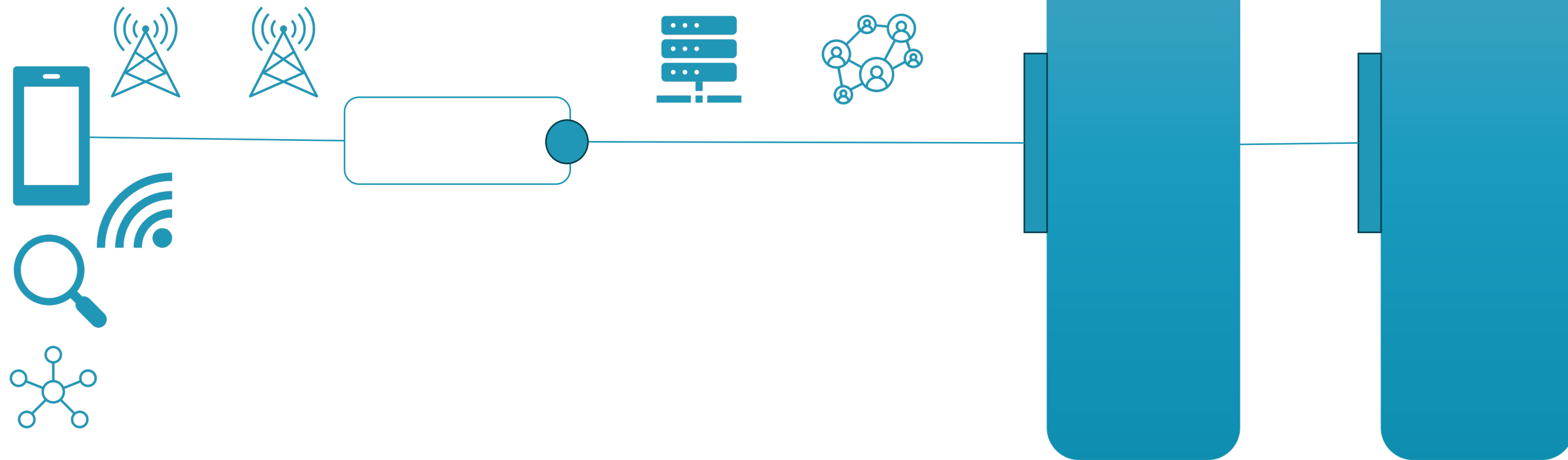
The Network End-to-End

End-user

API Consumer

API Provider

AI Provider



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AI governance

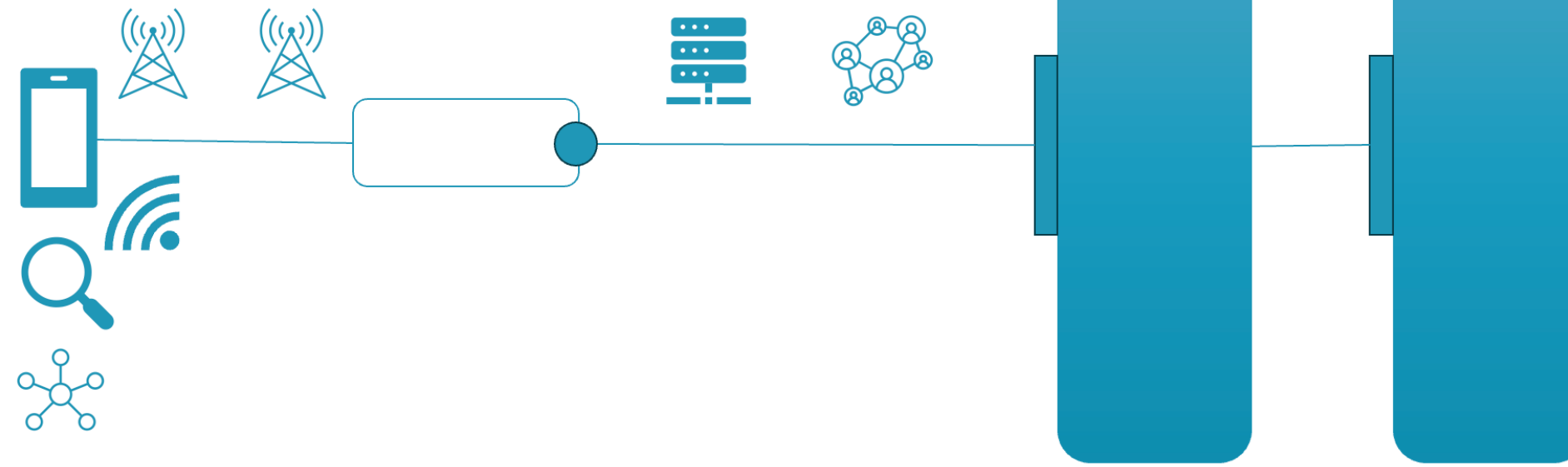
Security and privacy

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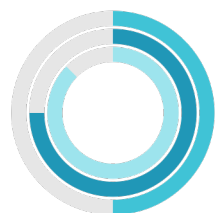
Data quality

Testing

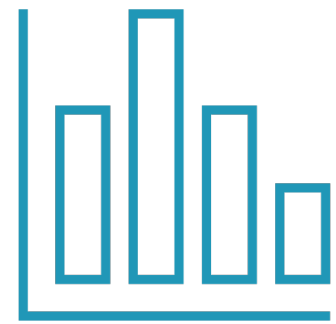
Performance

Cost

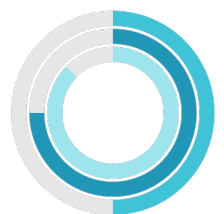
Sustainability



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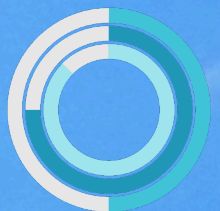
Carbon footprint ~ Cost



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Nothing exists until it is measured

Niels Bohr



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Calculate the carbon footprint

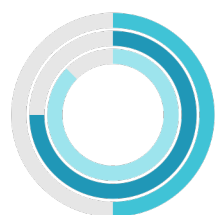


Cloud providers

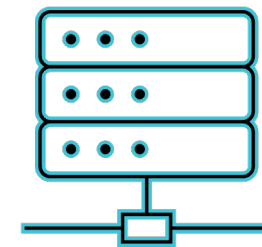
AWS
Google Cloud
Microsoft
Multi-cloud

Carbon footprint calculators
by cloud providers

Multi-cloud calculators



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Data centers

Applications

Open-source calculators,
for example Code Carbon

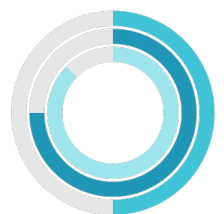
Commercial calculators,
for example from
Dynatrace and Splunk



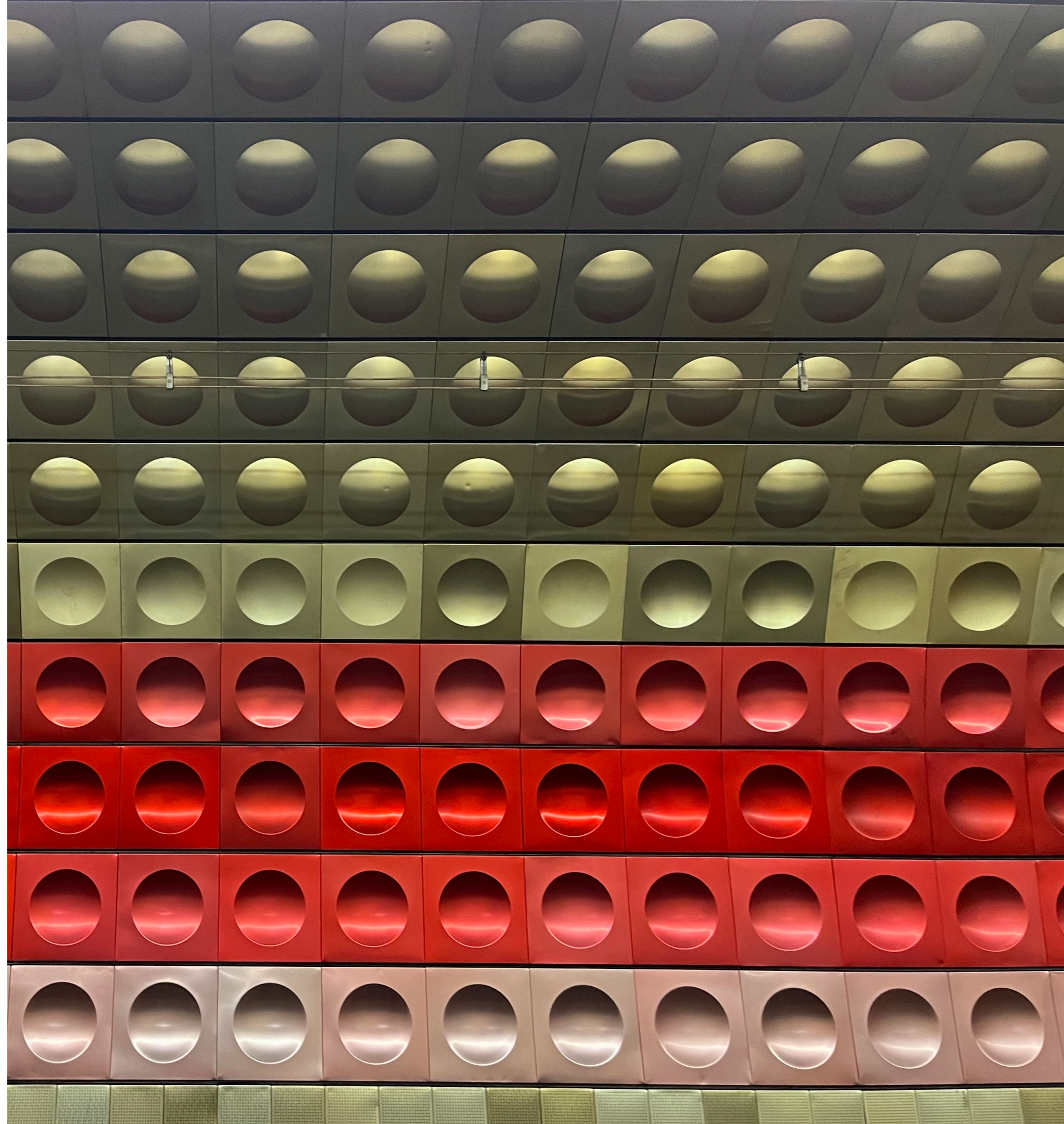
Service providers

IPaaS
API
SaaS
AI

Choose your models
carefully



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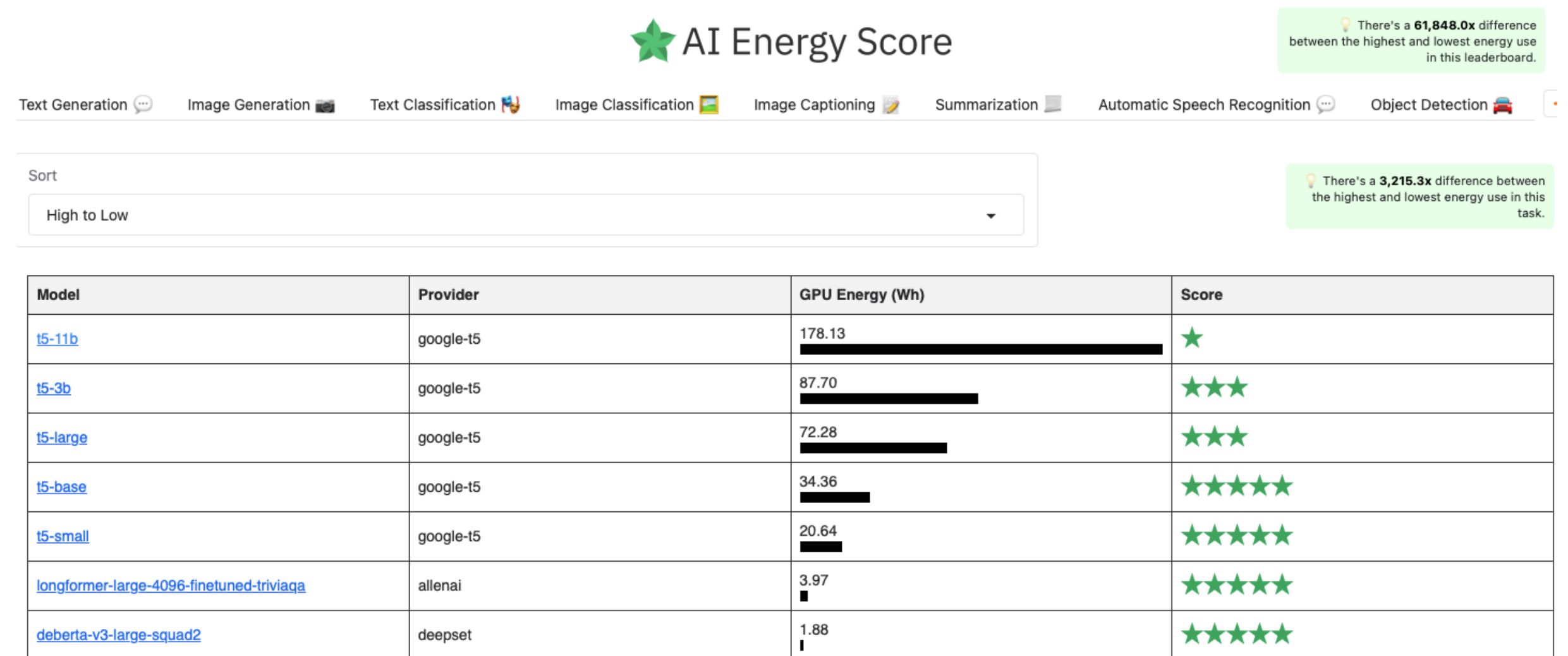


Each Gen AI model is different

Luccione et al.
(2024):

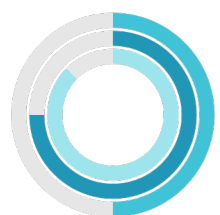
“Multi-purpose
models are more
energy-intensive.”

AI Energy Score - Extractive Q & A by Huggingface



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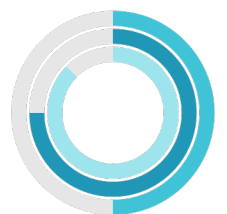


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Multimodal AI brings new challenges

Multimodal streaming

“Agent architecture with
**bi-directional event
streaming** running 24/7”

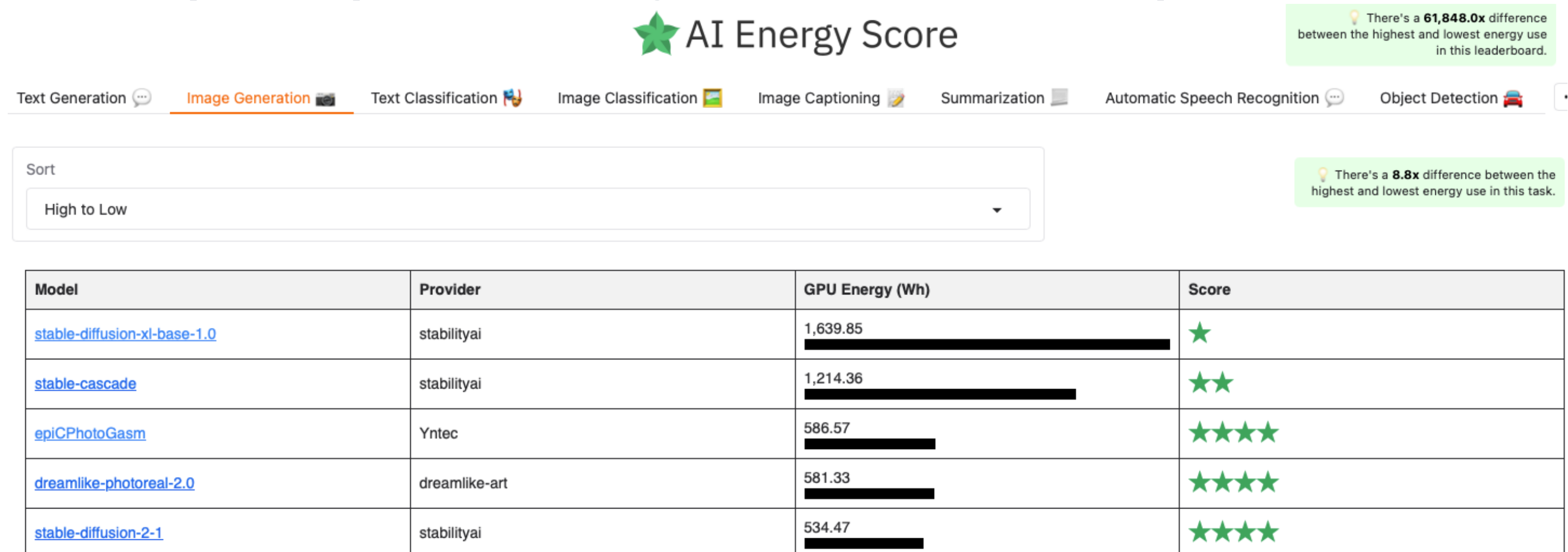


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Multimodal AI

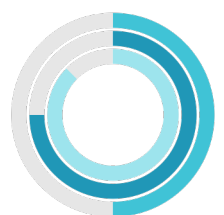
From text prompt to images, videos and speech



“Tasks involving images are more energy- and carbon-intensive compared to those involving text alone.”

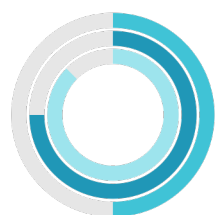
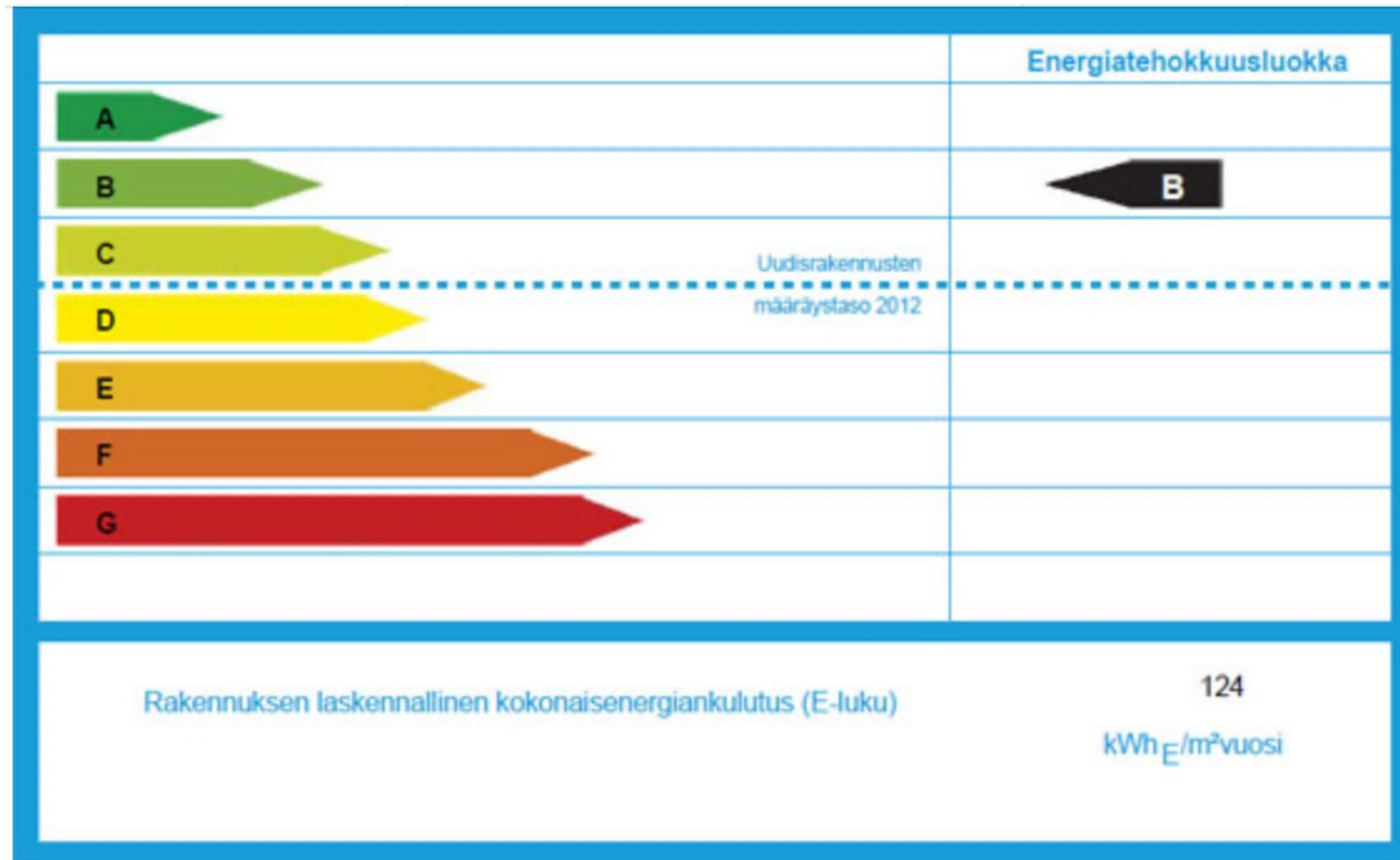
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In search of standardized AI energy certificate



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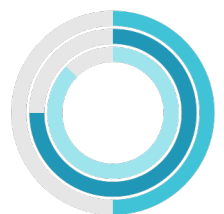
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Key takeaways

Choose the **minimal solution** - YAGNI

Estimate and follow up the **costs**

Measure the **carbon footprint**



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