

Sustainable Cloud Computing and 5G Network – Revision Notes

Sustainable Cloud Computing – Key Concepts

Definition

- **Sustainable Cloud Computing:** Approach aimed at **minimizing energy consumption, carbon footprints, and ensuring reliability** of Cloud Data Centers (CDCs).

Energy Consumption Facts

- CDCs' energy usage is **increasing**, expected to reach **8000 TWh by 2030**.
- **Main energy-consuming components:**
 - Processor: **45%**
 - Memory: **15%**
 - Storage: **10%**
 - Network: **10%**
 - Cooling: **20%**

Sustainable Cloud Architecture - Layers

1. **SaaS** – Software as a Service
2. **PaaS** – Platform as a Service
3. **IaaS** – Infrastructure as a Service

Cooling Manager

- Generates **thermal alerts** when temperatures exceed thresholds.
- Uses **heat controllers** to maintain performance with **minimal cooling impact**.

Reliability & Sustainability Issues

Energy Goals:

- Reduce energy usage and **carbon emissions**
- Improve **load balancing** (prevent under/overloading)
- Optimize **bandwidth, storage, and disk management**

Reliability Goals:

- Minimize **SLA violations**
- Prevent **service delays**
- Ensure **secure VM migration**
- Use **encryption/decryption** for communication
- Identify **failures** and enhance **system robustness**

Reliability ↔ Sustainability Implication

- **Frequent server on/off** reduces reliability (affects memory, storage).
- Need for **energy-aware resource management** without reliability loss.

Key Components of Sustainable Cloud Computing

Application Model

- Efficient app design improves energy use.
- Types: **Data Parallel, Function Parallel, Message Passing**.

Thermal-Aware Scheduling

- Manages **cooling set-point, hotspots, thermal gradient**.
- Types:
 - **Architecture:** Single-core / Multi-core
 - **Scheduling:** Reactive / Proactive
- Focus: Reduce **Power Usage Efficiency (PUE)** and cooling cost.

Virtualization

- **VM migration** balances load and uses **renewable energy** effectively.
- Enables **workload shifting** to CDCs using **waste heat or renewables**.

Capacity Planning

- Aim: Maximize **ROI** and resource utilization.
- Merge compatible apps to reduce capacity cost.
- Analyze workloads for **deadline-oriented execution**.

Renewable Energy

- Sources: **Solar, Wind**
- Optimized by: **Location, Energy Storage, On/Off-site**
- Challenges: **Unpredictability, high capital cost**
- Solved by: **Workload migration, energy-aware balancing**



Waste Heat Utilization

- Uses **vapor-absorption cooling**.
- Reduces **cooling expenses** and increases energy efficiency.



Cloud Computing in 5G



Generations Overview

Generation	Feature
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1G	Analog voice
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2G	Digital voice (CDMA)
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3G	Mobile data (CDMA2000)
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4G LTE	Mobile broadband
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5G	High speed, ultra-low latency, massive connectivity
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5G Features

- **eMBB**: Enhanced Mobile Broadband – AR/VR, collaboration
- **mMTC**: Massive Machine-Type Communications – IoT, smart city
- **URLLC**: Ultra Reliable Low Latency – Automation, healthcare



Edge Computing in 5G



Definition

- Brings **cloud capabilities closer to users** (near edge) to reduce **latency** and improve **QoS**.



Applications

- **Healthcare**
- **AR/VR/MR**
- **Tactile Internet**
- **IoT**
- **Smart Transportation**
- **Entertainment & Media**
- **Emergency Response**
- **Industry 4.0 (Factories of the future)**