Energy measurements in HPC Architectures

[CMP223] Computer Systems Performance Analysis [INF01146] Análise de Desempenho

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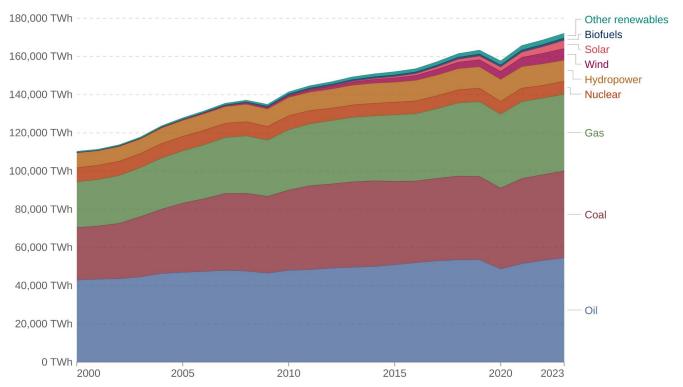
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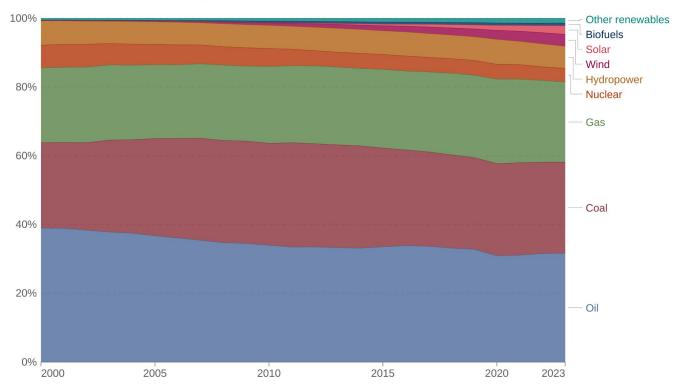
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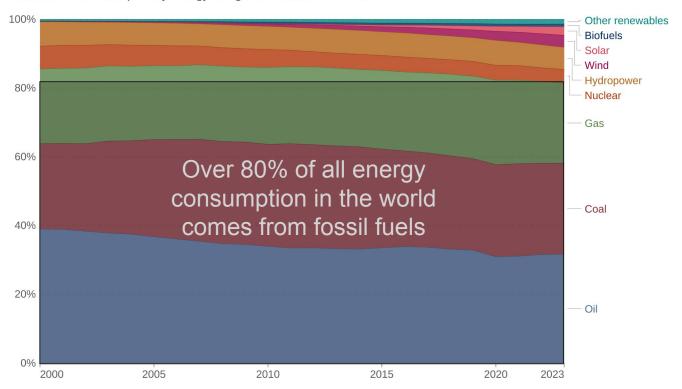
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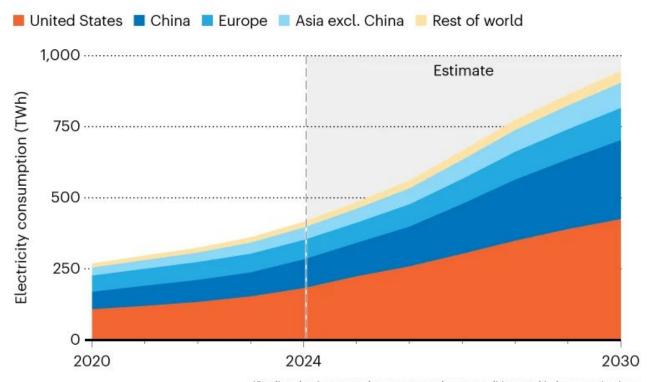
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Energy consumption in data-centres

- Data-centres in 2024 consumed 415 TWh, about 1.5% off all energy consumed in the world
- This number might reach 945 TWh in 2030

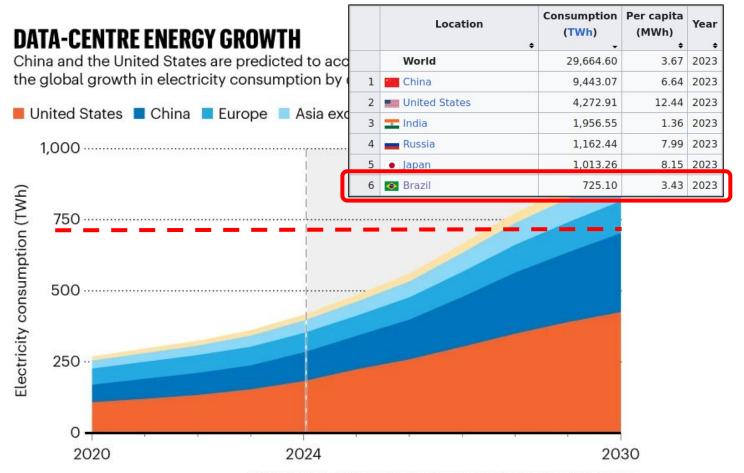
DATA-CENTRE ENERGY GROWTH

China and the United States are predicted to account for nearly 80% of the global growth in electricity consumption by data centres up to 2030*.



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- It is increasingly critical to have energy monitoring tools in data-centres
- Optimizing energy performance depends on monitoring
- Allows power management initiatives

Energy measurements in HPC architectures

- Perform energy measurements on a cluster (computational object)
- Utilize an application/program to stress the machines
 - LU factorization (StarPU + Chameleon)
 - Stress package (lacks GPU support)

Partition	CPU	RAM	Accelerator	Disk	Motherboard
poti[1,2,3,4,5]	Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-14700KF, 3.40 GHz, 28 threads, 20 cores	96 GB DDR5	NVIDIA GeForce RTX 4070	1.7 TB SSD, 119.2 GB NVME	Gigabyte Technology Co., Ltd. Z790 UD AX

LU Factorization

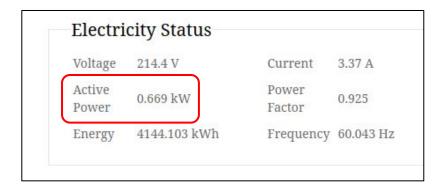


Instrumentation: Network-manageable Rack Power Distribution Unit (PDU)

- The PDUs (the power outlet) used by the nodes are connected to the internal network of the cluster
 - Access using SSH
 - Answers to SNMP requests
- Provide energy measurements



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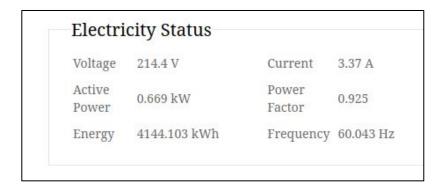
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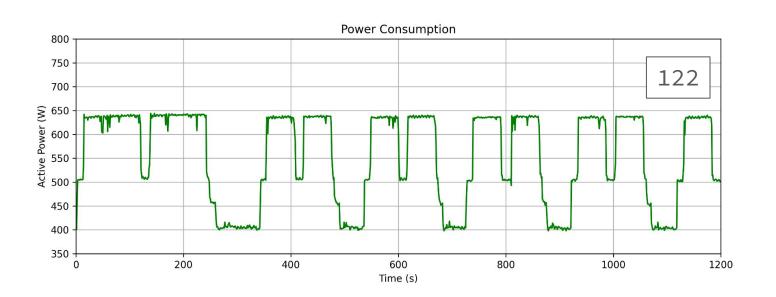
Metrics: script making SNMP requests

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while $SECONDS -lt $run time
   echo 'date'
   snmpget etc $IP PowerNet-MIB::ePDUDeviceStatusEnergy.1
   snmpget etc $IP PowerNet-MIB::ePDUDeviceStatusActivePower.1
   sleep $sleep
done
time (YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS)
energy (kWh, cumulative)
active power (kW)
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tupi[5-6] multinode_pcept_train tupi3 i9_parquet_analysis_fix

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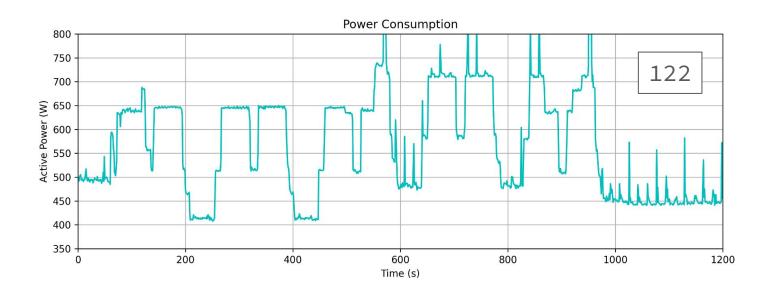


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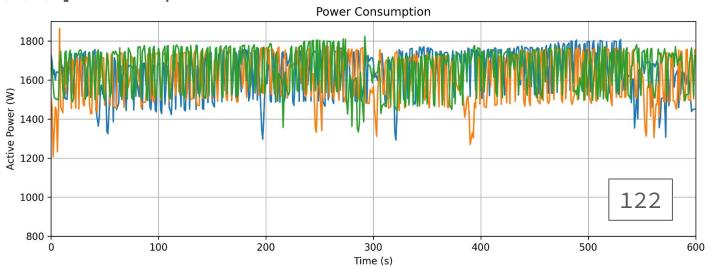
we need to allocate all the machines in the same PDU so other users' experiments don't show up in our measurements



Measurement example II

LLM inference (Qwen3-4B), 300 planning tasks in two batches with long-context answers (32k tokens)

tupi[**2**,**3**,6] progressive poti[**1**,2,3,**4**,5] e2e-plan



Problem: electric topology

rack 4 122 123 poti2 poti1 poti3 poti4 poti5 tupi2 tupi1 tupi3 tupi4 tupi5 tupi6 + switch + monitor

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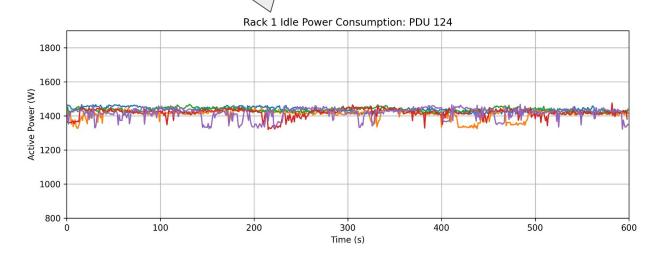
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tsubasa
hype[1-5]
knl[1-4]
bali2
beagle
turing
switch 1GB
switch infiniband



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- Plan the experiments (notebook, git)
- Execute, adjust, execute again

Thank you!! 🙌 💆 🧠 💖 🔋

Any questions?
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