

GREEN ICT

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Who I am

- Full-time researcher at CNRS (about 33,000 people)
- Located in Rennes, France.
- IRISA laboratory (about 1,000 people)
- Myriads team: INRIA, CNRS, University of Rennes, INSA, ENS Rennes (about 30 people)
- Energy efficiency in large-scale distributed systems

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Green Computing?



“Designing, manufacturing, using, and disposing of computers, servers, and associated subsystems -- such as monitors, printers, storage devices, and networking and communications systems -- efficiently and effectively with minimal or no effect on the environment.”

Sam Murugesan, *“Harnessing Green IT: Principles and Practices”* IEEE IT Professional, 2008.

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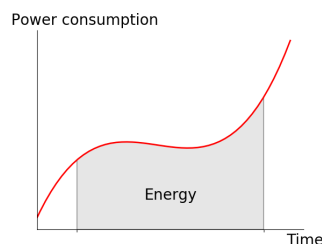
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Energy for dummies



Physical measure	Unit
Current (I)	Amperes (A)
Voltage (U)	Volts (V)
Power (P)	Watts (W)
Energy (E)	Joules (J) or Wh

$$P = U \times I$$
$$E = P \times t$$



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ICT impact ?

- What is ICT carbon impact in comparison with global impact?
- What is carbon impact?

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Electricity mix, device lifetime, complex manufacturing processes, ICT perimeter, ...

"The real climate and transformative impact of ICT: A critique of estimates, trends, and regulations", C. Freitag, M. Berners-Lee, K. Widdicks, B. Knowles, G. Blair, A. Friday, Patterns, 2021.

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Carbon footprint ?

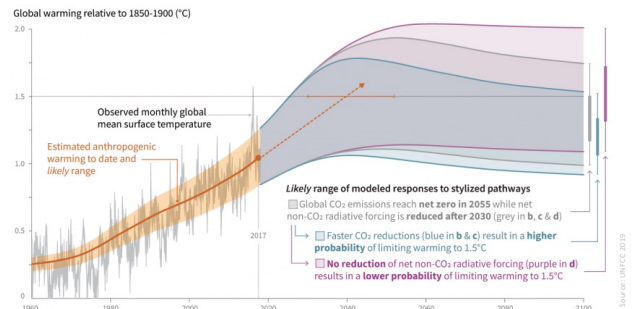
- Expressed in **g CO₂e**: weight of CO₂e
- Greenhouse gas: carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), ozone (O₃), halocarbons...
- CO₂e computed thanks to global warming potential: ratio between the heat absorbed by a greenhouse gas in the atmosphere over the heat absorbed by CO₂ over a given period of time (100 years)



Maribor, Slovenia
<https://www.interregeurope.eu/intensify/news/news-article/10745/what-1-tonne-of-co2-looks-like/>

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Paris Agreement: 1.5°C



Objective in 2020: reducing global greenhouse gas emissions by **8%** each year.

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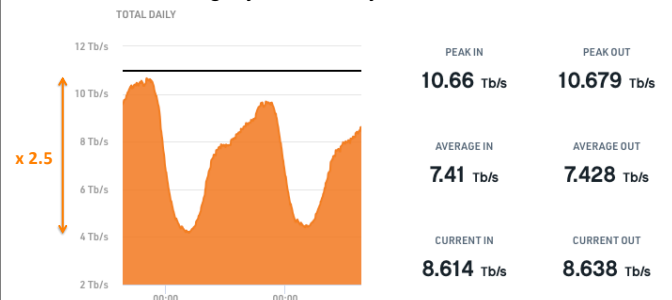
The Cloud



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Resource waste

Networks are lightly of unevenly utilized



Daily aggregated traffic on AMS-IX (Amsterdam Internet eXchange Point), February 2022.

[Source : <https://www.ams-ix.net/ams>]

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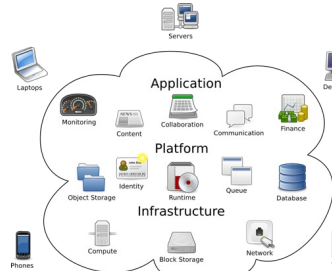
Cloud computing in 1 slide



Cloud computing: access through networks to on-demand, self-service, configurable, shared computing resources.

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- Elasticity of infrastructures
- Externalization of data

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Cloud Computing

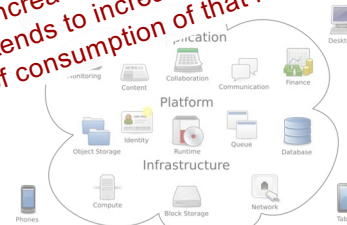
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Jevons Paradox: the increase in efficiency with which a resource is used tends to increase (rather than decrease) the rate of consumption of that resource.



Cloud Computing

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Let's have a look inside



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One Google Data Center (Dalles)



Each data center is 11.5 times the size of a football field

11,5 football fields
 100,000 servers
 100 MWatts

<https://www.google.com/about/datacenters/inside/locations/the-dalles/>

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UPS to the rescue

Uninterruptible power supply:

- Emergency power system
- Used to protect hardware from power disruption
- Supplies energy stored in batteries, supercapacitors or flywheels (converted into alternating current)

But only for few minutes!



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And then?

Engine-generator



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OVH example


Roubaix site in 2011:
~ 10,000 servers

8 MVA at max: 1,600L/h of oil

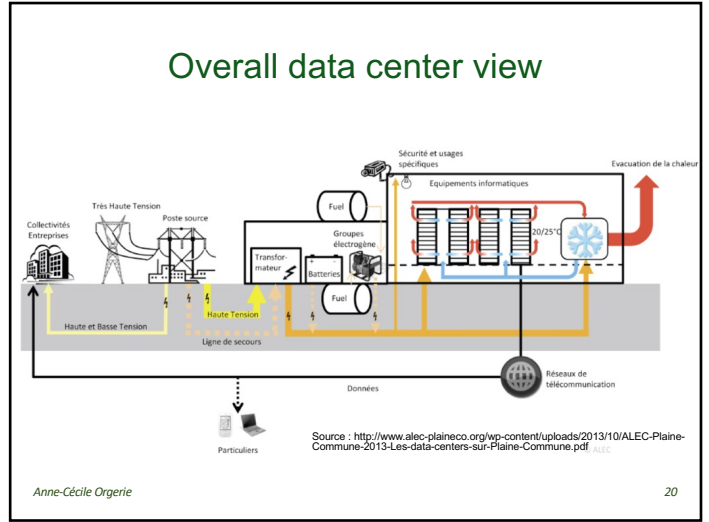
Tests: every 2-3 weeks

<https://lafibre.info/ovh-datacenter/test-de-groupes/>

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Wrong idea #0 – the good

Cloud computing is carbon neutral.

FACEBOOK
Sustainability

Net Zero
reached net zero in operational GHG emissions
In 2020, we achieved net zero emissions in our operations by reducing emissions by 94 percent* and supporting carbon removal projects.
*from a 2017 baseline

Microsoft
2021 Environmental Sustainability Report

100% renewable energy
In 2020, we matched 100% of the electricity consumption of our operations with renewable energy purchases for the fourth consecutive year.

Google
Environmental Report

Our commitments
Carbon negative
By 2030, we will be carbon negative, and by 2050, we will remove our historical emissions since we were founded in 1975.
Reduce direct emissions
We will reduce our Scope 1 and 2 emissions to near zero by 2025 through energy efficiency work and by reaching 100 percent renewable energy.

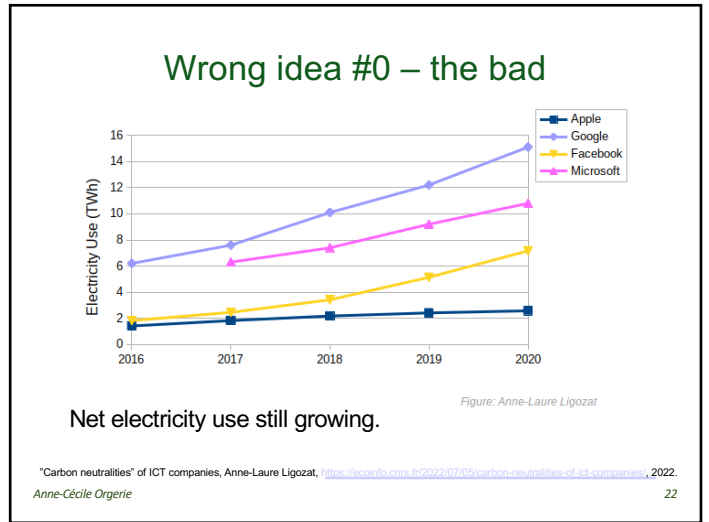
Environmental Progress Report

100% renewable energy sourced for all Apple facilities

Carbon neutral for corporate operations since April 2020

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Wrong idea #0 – the ugly

Carbon footprint : 3 scopes

- Scope 1: emissions resulting directly from the company's activities, such as internal electricity generation, air conditioning refrigerant gas emissions, etc.
- Scope 2: emissions resulting from the company's energy consumption, typically purchased electricity and heating.
- Scope 3: everything else! i.e. purchases, business travel of employees and commuting, waste management...

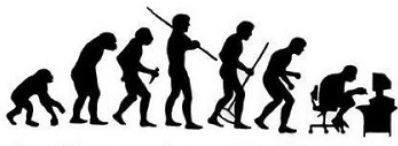
In 2021, partial GHG assessment for Microsoft indicates that at least 77% of their impact belong to scope 3.

https://query.prod.cms.rt.microsoft.com/cms/api/document/bid/7208772830831-5d84-4f5c-9f51-ae6a38ab1d4f550/microsoft_Scope_3_Emissions.pdf

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Green computing history



Something, somewhere went terribly wrong

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First eco-labels

- Energy Star: international standard for energy efficient consumer products
 - 1992, USA
 - Voluntary labeling program
 - To promote energy-efficient monitors, climate control equipment and other technologies
 - Main result: sleep mode
- TCO certification
 - 1992, Sweden
 - To promote low magnetic and electrical emissions from CRT-based computer displays



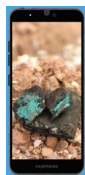
Specific eco-labels

- 80 Plus: voluntary certification program to promote efficient energy use in computer power supply units (2004):
 - More than 80% energy efficiency at 20%, 50% and 100% of rated load
 - Power factor of 0.9 or greater at 100% load
 - 80 Plus Titanium : 90% energy efficient
- RoHS: Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive (2003):
 - Adopted in 2003, effective in 2006 in EU
 - Restricted use of six materials



Fairphone

Our 8 focus materials and where you can find them



B-Corporation certified

An important part of our social enterprise identity is the open collaboration with independent certification organizations. This means that the B-Corp certification (rating community of over 1000 companies) using rigorous standards to assess environmental issues.



EcoVadis platinum medal

The Fairphone philosophy is embedded in the way we run our company. This responsibility to future has been made measurable by the globally recognized EcoVadis sustainability rating. With one of the most responsible (and award-winning) companies in the mobile technology sector with a platinum EcoVadis medal, putting us in the top 1% of our industry.



iFixit 10/10 score

Our core value of longevity is designed directly into our smartphones. We created the Fairphone to last – both in terms of repair and recycling. The repair is easy to do. This made it the only smartphone in the world to be awarded a perfect iFixit score for reparability.



Fairtrade gold integrated

The materials that go into your phone have a story. Our goal is that the phone has a story you can be proud of. We want you to be able to tell the story. Using responsibly sourced materials, we can tell that story every day. We are proud to be Fairtrade gold certified.



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Data center level



Let's reduce the heat



- Water-based cooling



Let's reduce the heat

- Oil-based cooling



Reduce data center cooling costs by up to 95%.

Green Revolution Cooling, <https://www.grcooling.com>

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Let's reduce the heat

- Free cooling



<https://www.google.com/about/datacenters/inside/locations/hamina/>

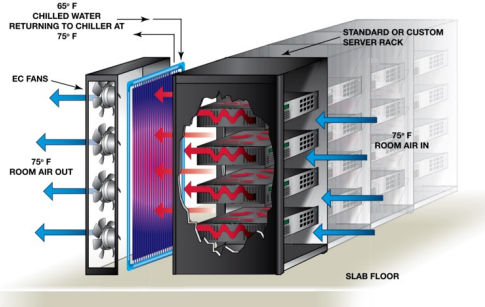
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Water-cooled doors

- Hybrid cooling



Exploded View of Chilled Door®

<https://www.monman.com/motivair-chilled-door-rack-cooling-details>

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Water required!



Water tanks capacity:
900,000 liters

Google data center in
South Carolina, US



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<https://www.google.com/about/datacenters/gallery/index.html#tech/19>

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N° 1: Frontier (TOP500 November 2022)

1.685 Exaflops, 21.1 MW, 8,730,112 cores,



Typical applications:

- Astrophysical simulations
- Genome-wide epistasis studies
- Fluid turbulence simulations
- ...

<https://www.olcf.ornl.gov/frontier/>

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Top500



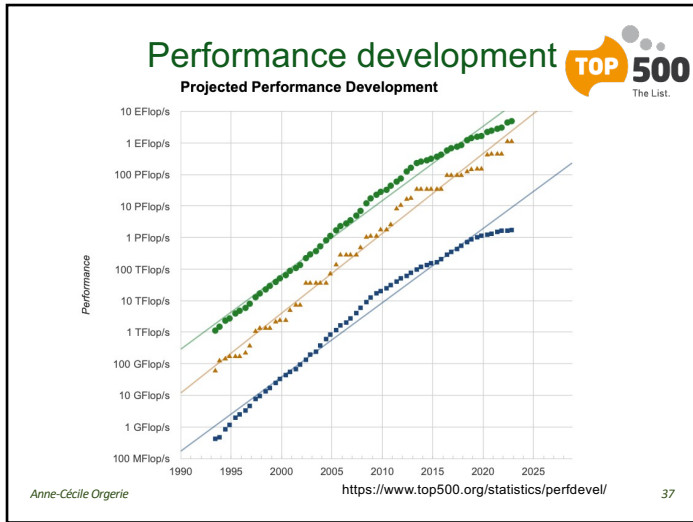
Rank	System	Cores	Rmax (PFlop/s)	Rpeak (PFlop/s)	Power (kW)
1	Frontier - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 84C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE DOE/SC/Dak Ridge National Laboratory United States	8,730,112	1,102.00	1,685.65	21,100
2	Supercomputer Fugaku - Supercomputer Fugaku, A64FX 48C 2.20Hz, Tofu interconnect D, Fujitsu RIKEN Center for Computational Science Japan	7,630,848	442.01	537.21	29,899
3	LUMI - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 84C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE EuroHPC/CSC Finland	2,220,288	309.10	428.70	6,016
4	Leonardo - Bull/Sesquana XH2000, Xeon Platinum 8359 22C 2.60Hz, NVIDIA A100 SXM4 64 GB, Quad-rail NVIDIA HDR100 Infiniband, Atos EuroHPC/CINECA Italy	1,463,616	174.70	255.75	5,610
5	Summit - IBM Power System AC922, IBM POWER9 22C 3.07GHz, NVIDIA Volta GV100, Dual-rail Mellanox EDR DOE/SC/Dak Ridge National Laboratory United States	2,414,592	148.60	200.79	10,096

<http://www.top500.org>, Top500 list, November 2022.

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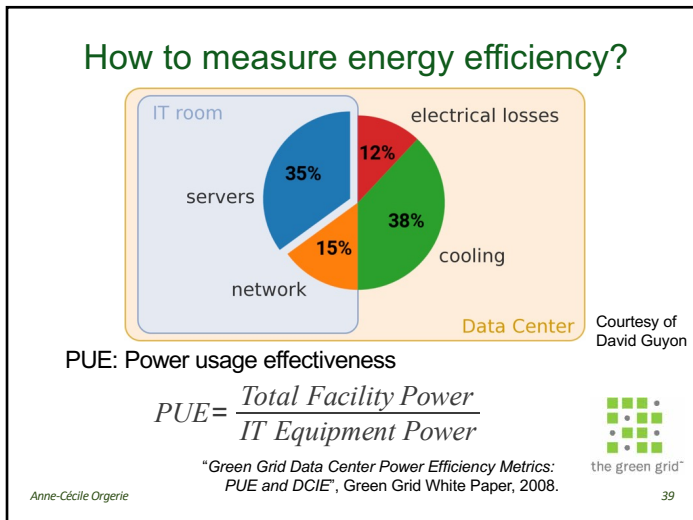
The Green500

Rank	TOP500 Rank	System	Cores	Rmax (PFlop/s)	Power (kW)	Energy Efficiency (GFlop/s/watts)
1	405	Henri - Lenovo ThinkSystem SR670 V2, Intel Xeon Platinum 8342 2800MHz (22C), NVIDIA H100 800B PCIe, InfiniBand HDR, Lenovo Flatiron Institute United States	5,920	2.04	31	65.091
2	32	Frontier TDS - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 44C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE DOE/SC/Dak Ridge National Laboratory United States	120,832	19.20	309	62.684
3	11	Adastra - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 44C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE Grand Equipement National de Calcul Intensif - Centre Informatique National de l'Enseignement Supérieur IGENCI-CINES) France	319,072	46.10	921	58.021
4	15	Setonix - GPU - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 44C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE Pawsey Supercomputing Centre, Kensington, Western Australia Australia	181,248	27.16	477	56.983
5	68	Dandel GPU - HPE Cray EX235a, AMD Optimized 3rd Generation EPYC 44C 20Hz, AMD Instinct MI250X, Slingshot-11, HPE KTH - Royal Institute of Technology	52,864	8.26	146	56.491

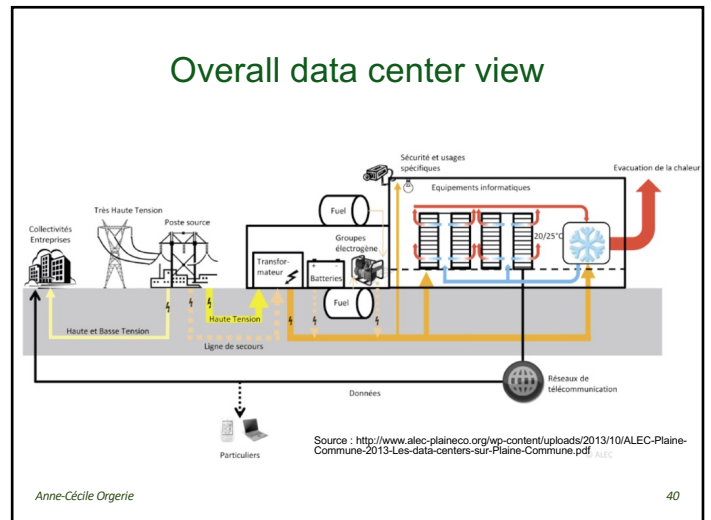
<https://www.top500.org/green500/>, Green500 list, November 2022.

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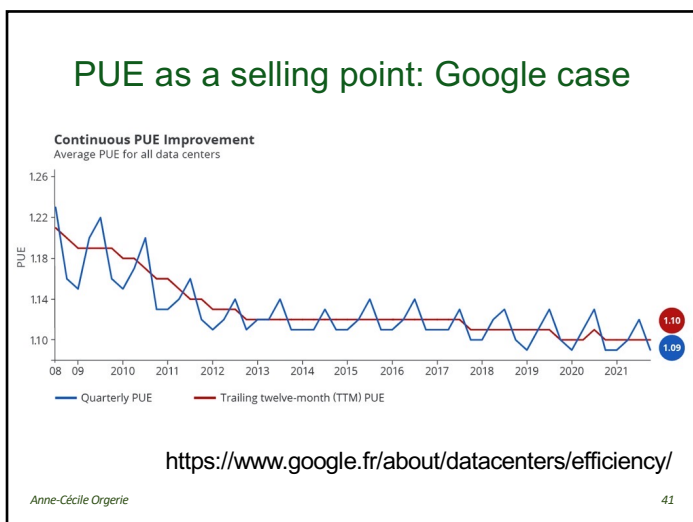
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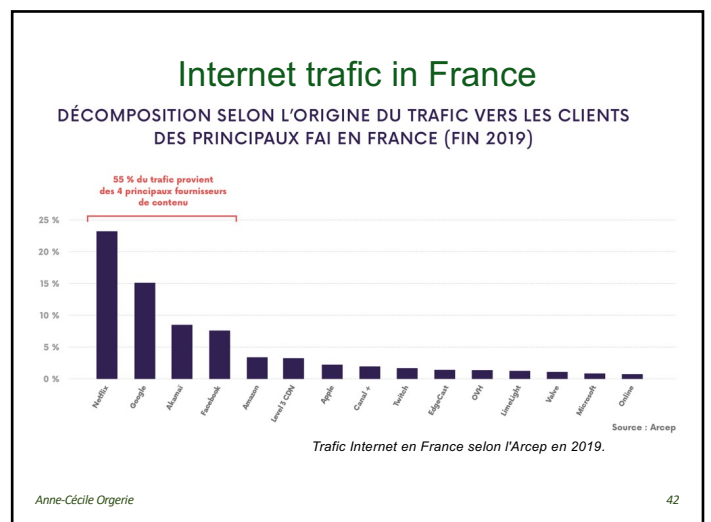
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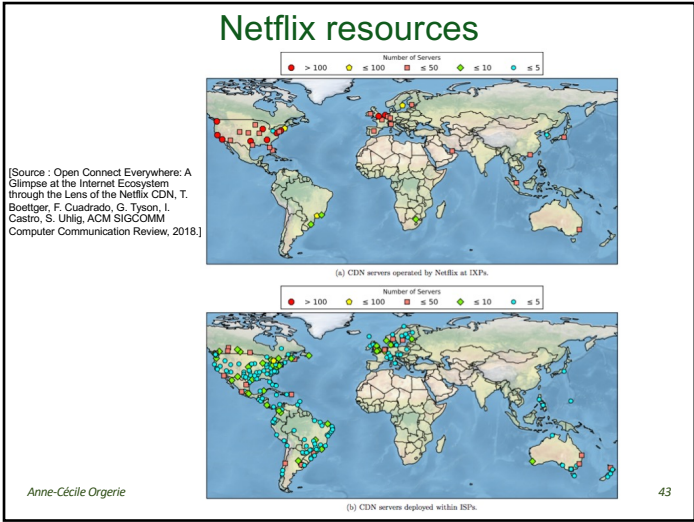
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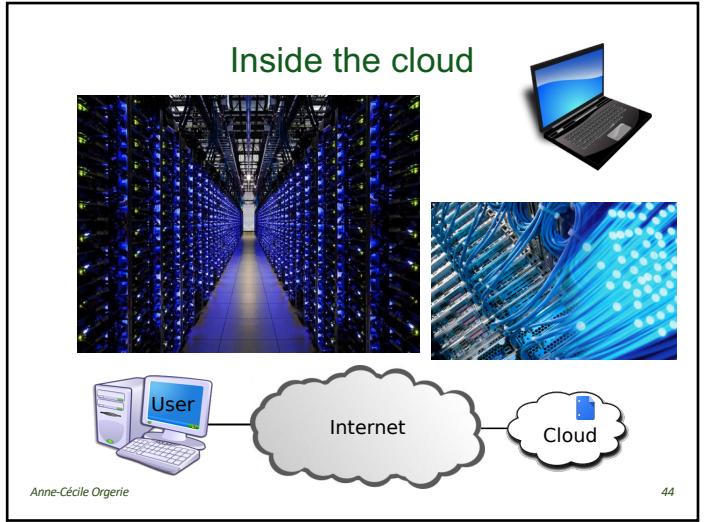
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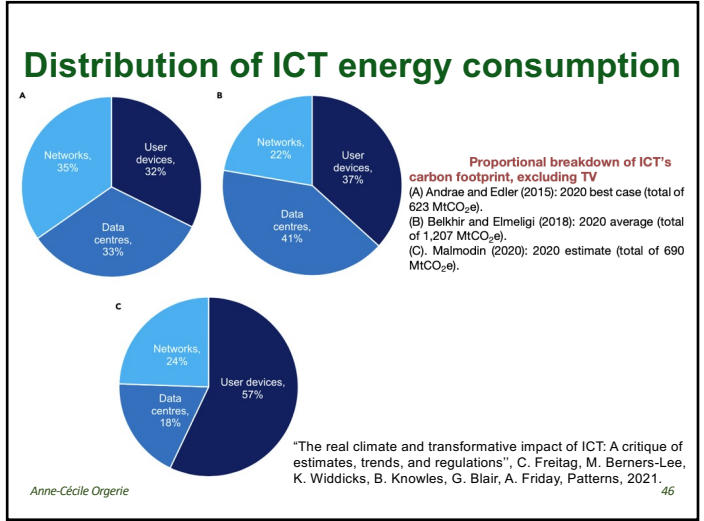
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ICT impact ?

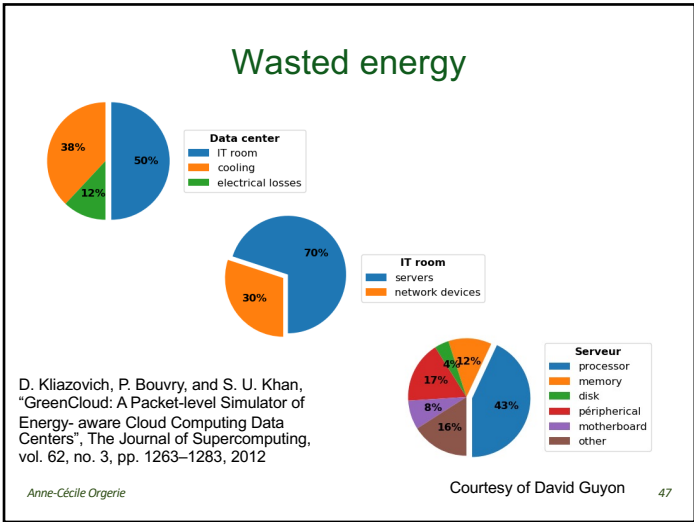
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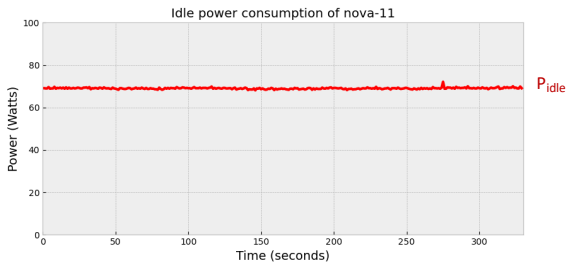
Measuring energy consumption of servers

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Wrong idea #1

Idle server consumes nothing or little.



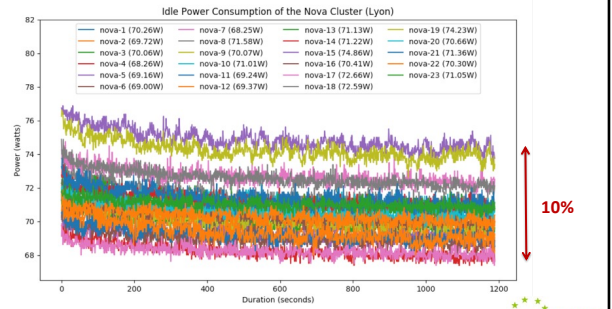
Nova node: 2 x Intel Xeon E5-2620 v4, 8 cores/CPU, 64 GiB RAM, 598 GB HDD (2016)



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Wrong idea #2

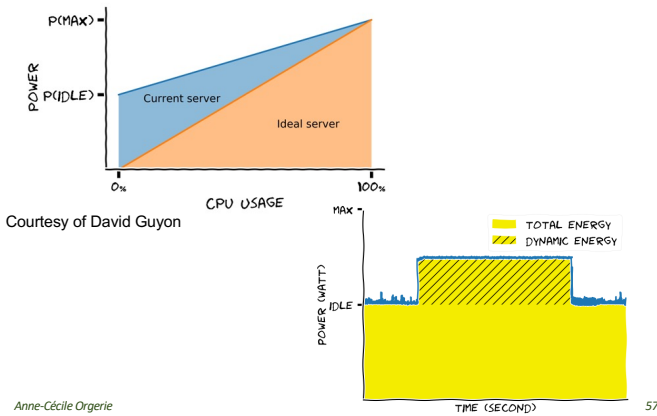
This server model consumes that amount of power.



10% difference in idle and more at maximal consumption.

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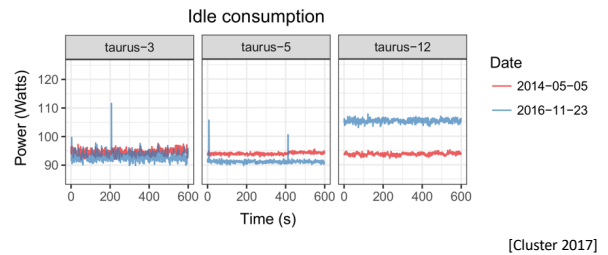
Ideal server vs. current server



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Wrong idea #3

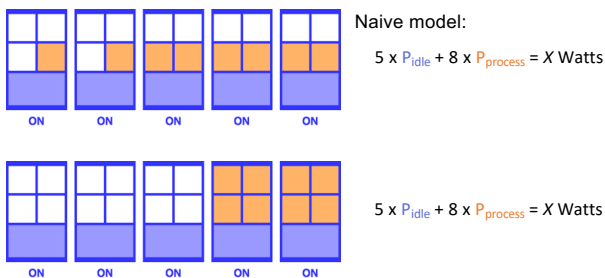
Idle power consumption is stable over time.



Idle power consumption varies over time.

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No chance for naive modeling



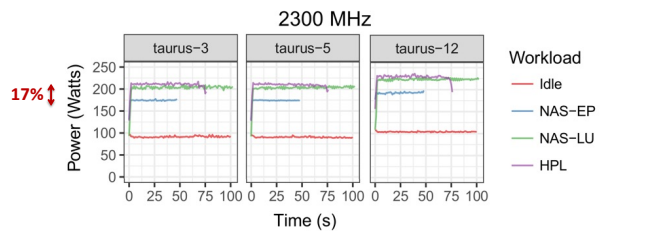
Best configuration for power consumption ?

It depends.

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Wrong idea #4

The relation between power and CPU load is linear/quadratic/cubic.



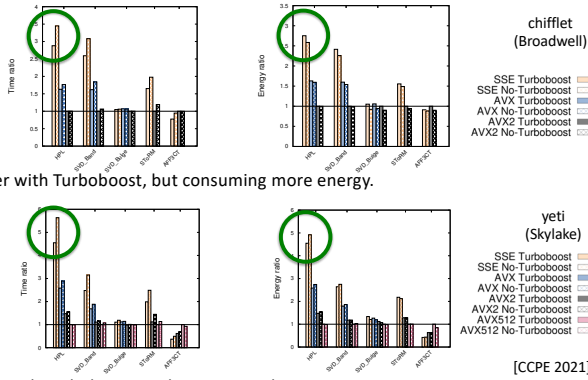
Taurus node: 2 x Intel Xeon E5-2630, 6 cores/CPU, 32 GiB RAM, 300 GB HDD (2012)

17% difference in consumption for applications fully loading the server.

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Wrong idea #5

For a given application, there is a least consuming configuration.



Faster with Turboboost, but consuming more energy.

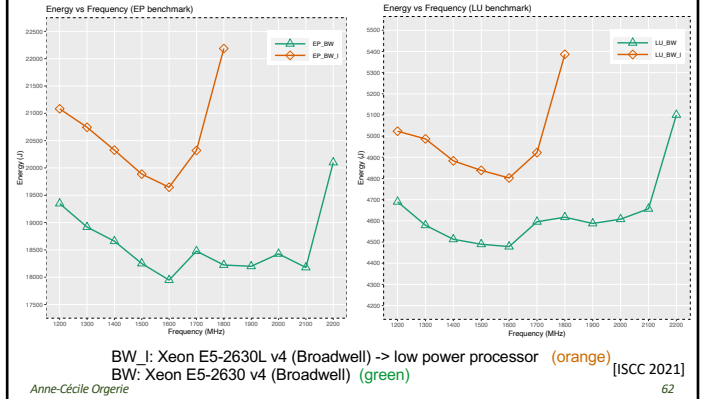
Faster with Turboboost, and consuming less energy.

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Wrong idea #6

Low power processors consume less energy.



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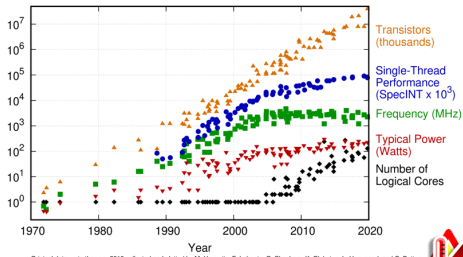
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Wrong idea #7 (and much more)

Improvement in energy efficiency will never stop.

Moore's law: the number of transistors in a dense integrated circuit doubles about every two years.

48 Years of Microprocessor Trend Data



- Increase the processor's frequency
- Increase the number of cores per processor
- Increase the fineness of processor engraving



Physical limits.

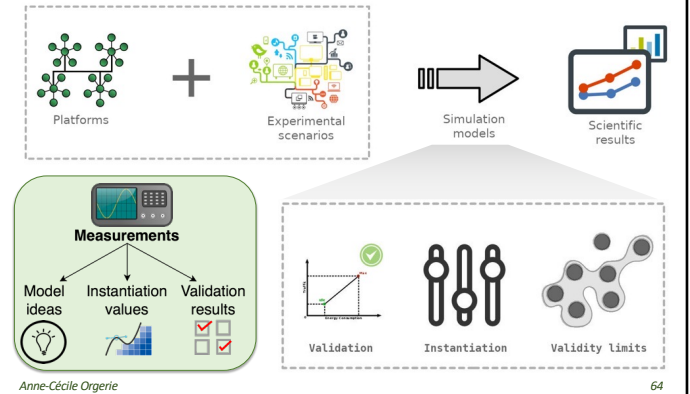
[Source : Karl Rupp, <https://github.com/karlrupp/microprocessor-trend-data>]

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Simulating energy consumption



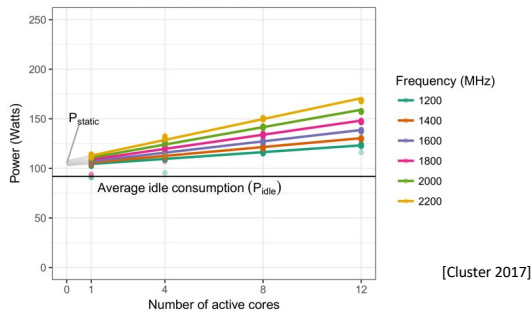
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Server profiling

Taurus, NAS-EP



[Cluster 2017]

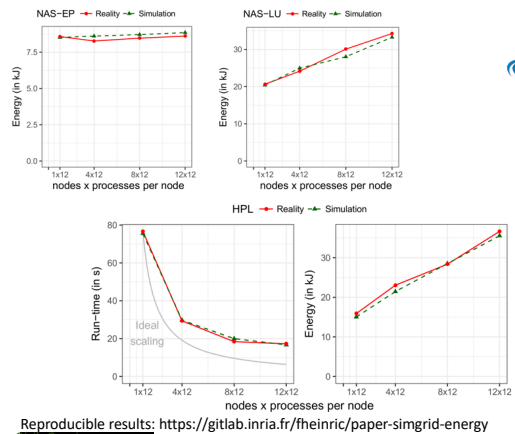
To do for each computing kernel.
 At each frequency.
 And each time we want to compare the model to real life.

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Simulating server clusters

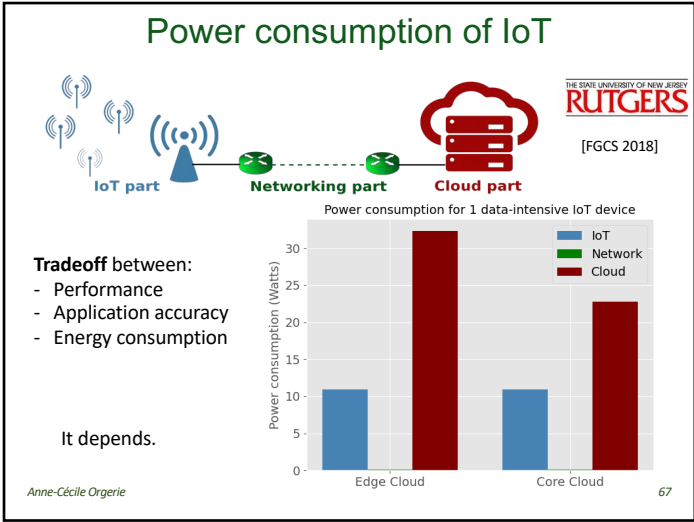


[Cluster 2017]

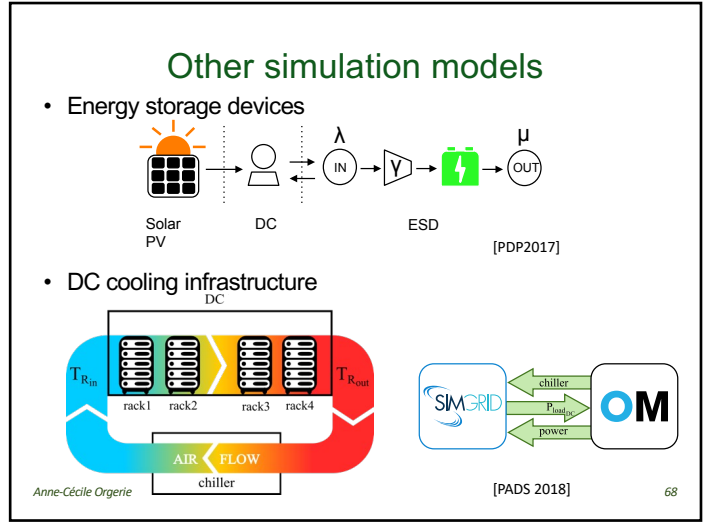
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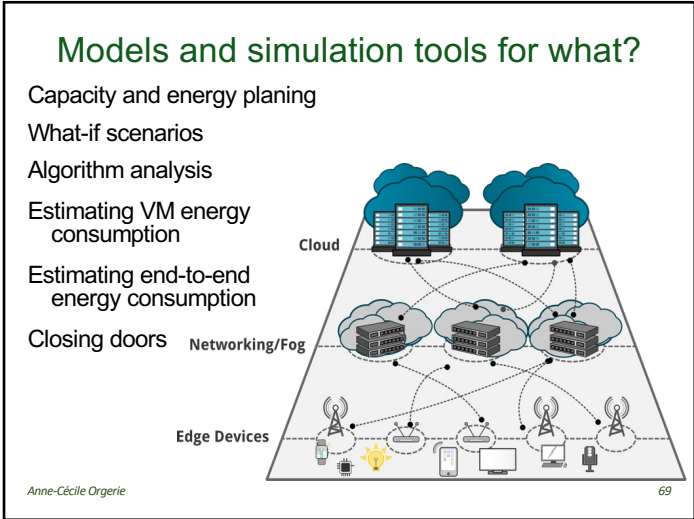
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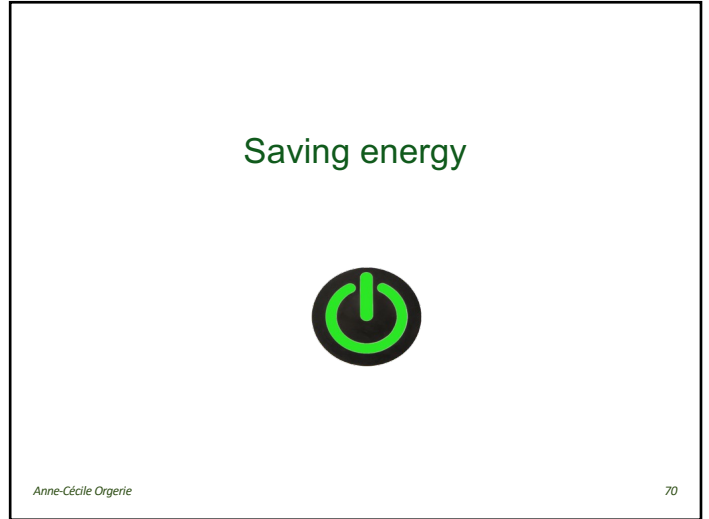
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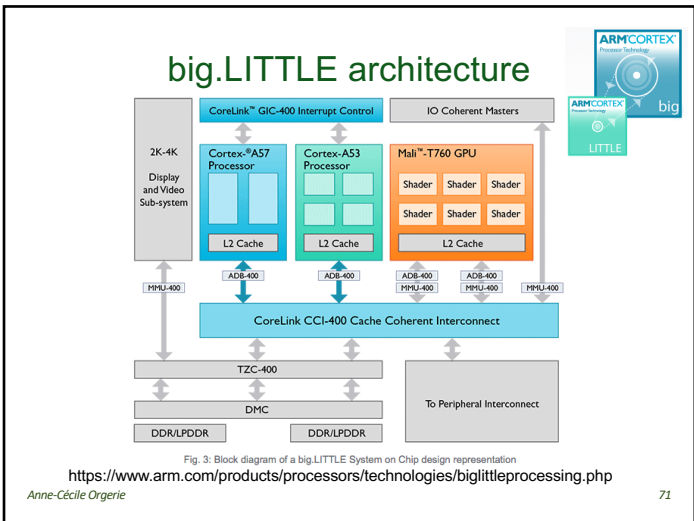
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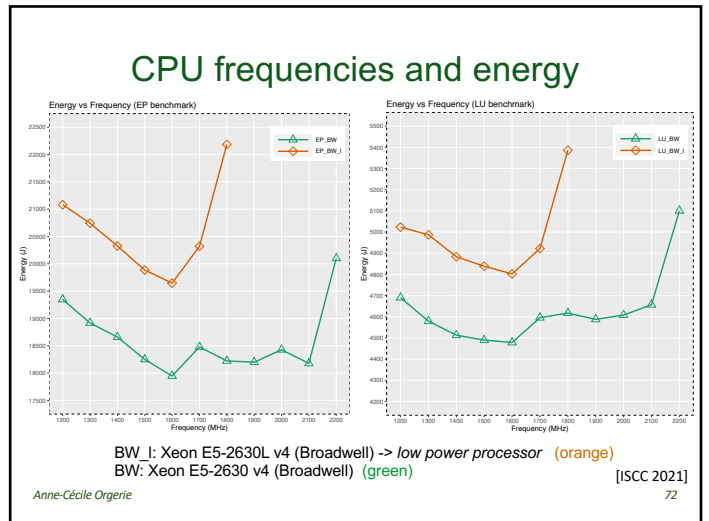
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Switching off



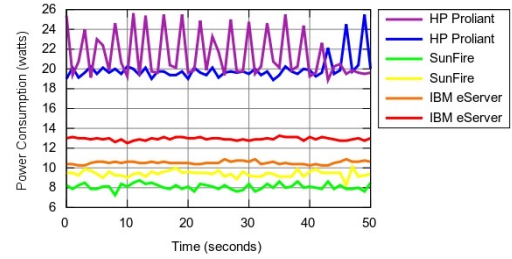
Idea: adapt the set of active resources to the load

Issues:

- Does it reduce the life time of resources?
- How to switch resources on again?
- How much time does it take to switch?
- Switch off or sleep?
- Does the middleware consider the resources as dead?

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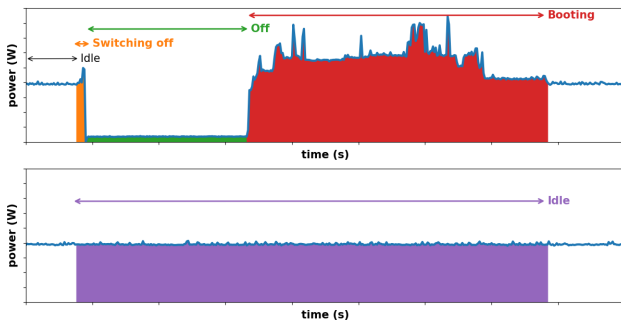
Does a switched off node consume energy?



"Demystifying Energy Consumption in Grids and Clouds",
A.-C. Orgerie et al., WIPGC, 2010.

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When can we switch off?

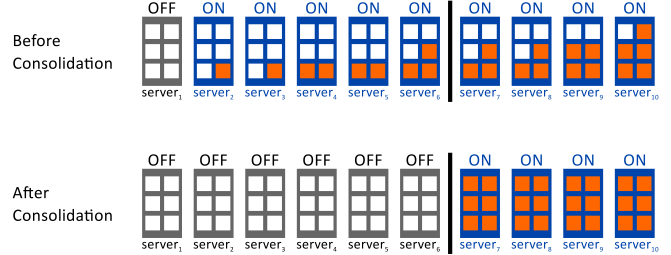


$$T_s = \frac{E_s - P_{OFF}(\delta_{ON \rightarrow OFF} + \delta_{OFF \rightarrow ON}) + E_{ON \rightarrow OFF} + E_{OFF \rightarrow ON}}{P_I - P_{OFF}}$$

"Towards Energy Aware Reservation Infrastructure for Large-Scale Experimental Distributed Systems", A.-C. Orgerie et al., Parallel Processing Letters, 2009.

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Let's consolidate the workload

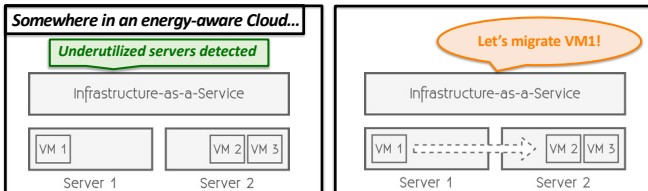


Bin-packing problem.
Dynamic workload.

[Book chapter 2018]

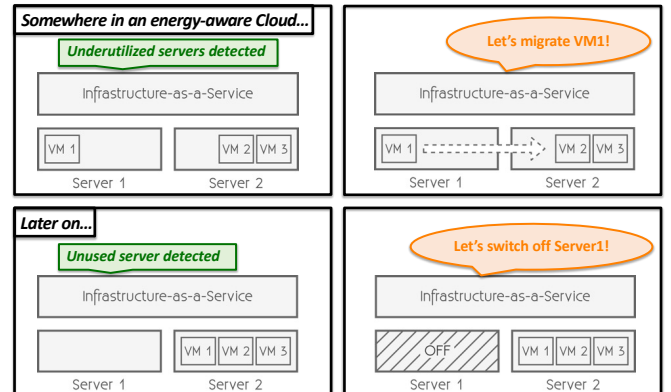
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Let's migrate VMs for dynamic consolidation



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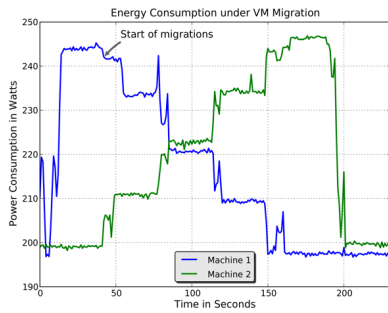
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Exploiting live-migration capabilities

Idea: migrating virtual machines to consolidate the load on the fewer number of physical resources



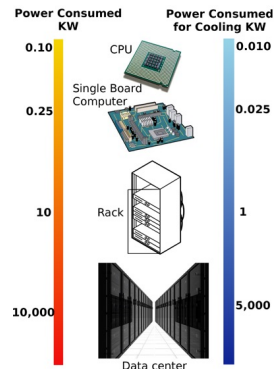
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"Energy Aware Clouds", A.-C. Orgerie et al., book chapter in *Grids, Clouds and Virtualization*, Springer, 2010.

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Saving energy



Low power processors (big.LITTLE)

Multi-core architectures

Energy-efficient dedicated architectures (FPGA, GPU)

Dynamic Voltage Frequency Scaling

Workload consolidation techniques

On/off policies

Hot spot management

Workload peak reduction

Dynamic adaptation

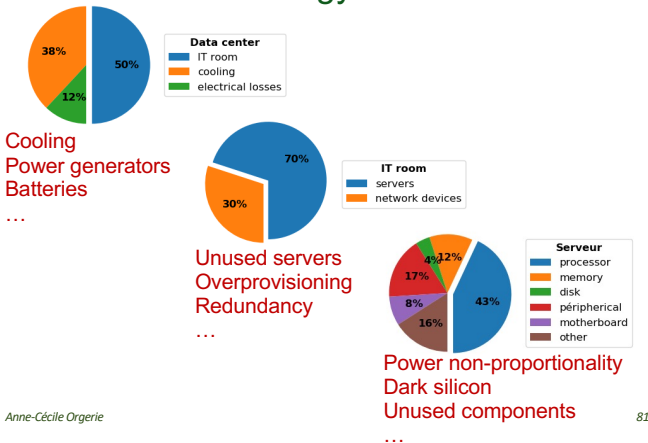


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Wasted energy at all levels



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Greening data centers



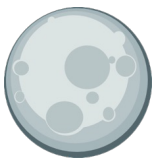
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Follow-the-* approaches

- Follow the moon: free cooling with air from outside during cool days, and on hot weather days, computing load is shifted to other data centers
- Follow the sun/wind: use renewable energy sources

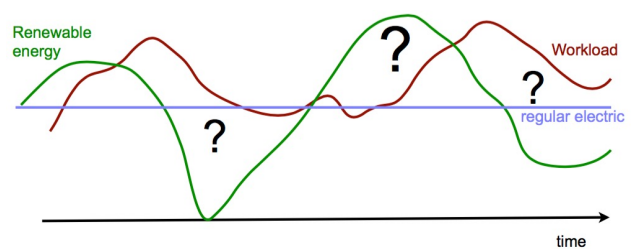


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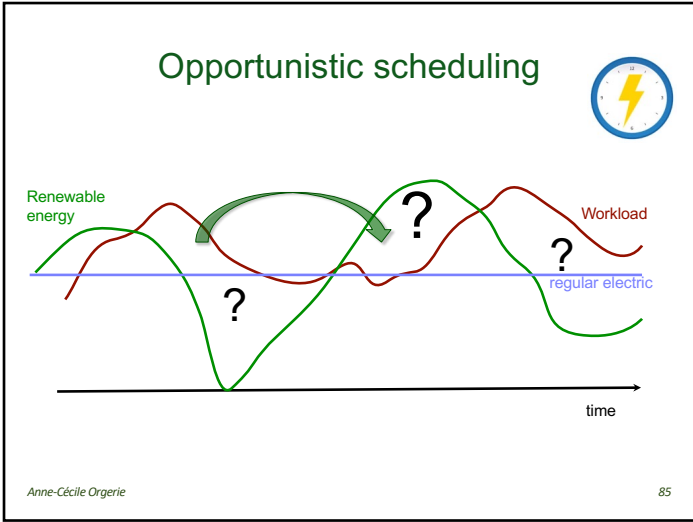


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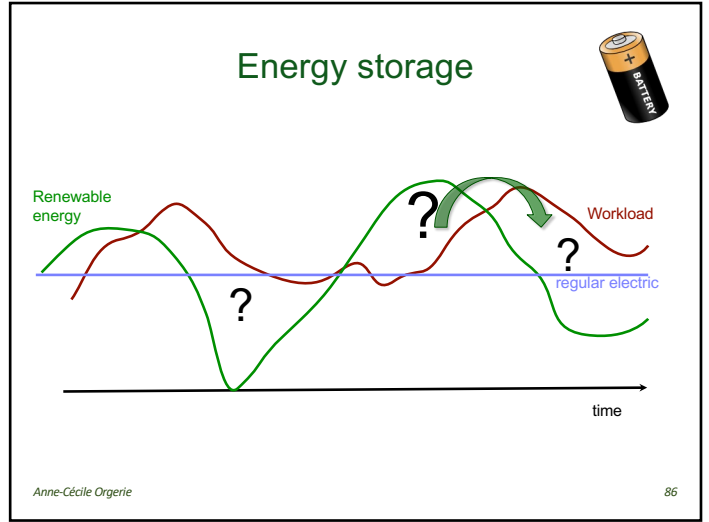
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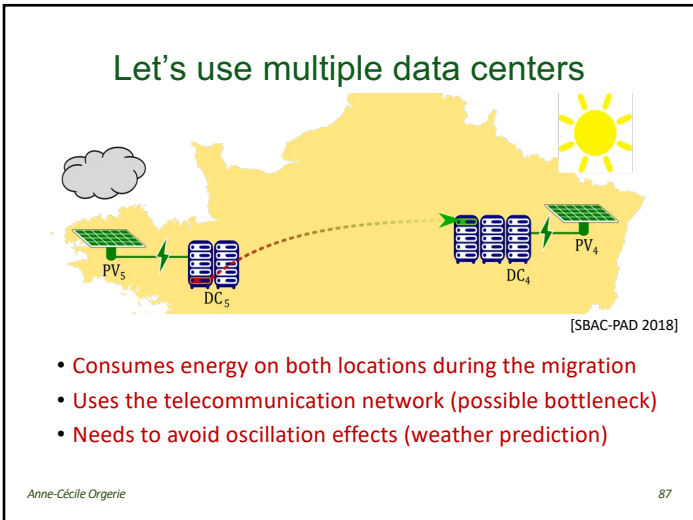
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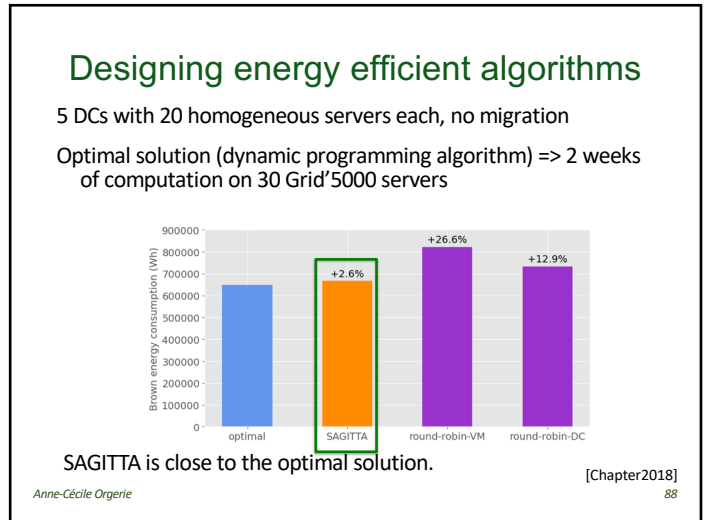
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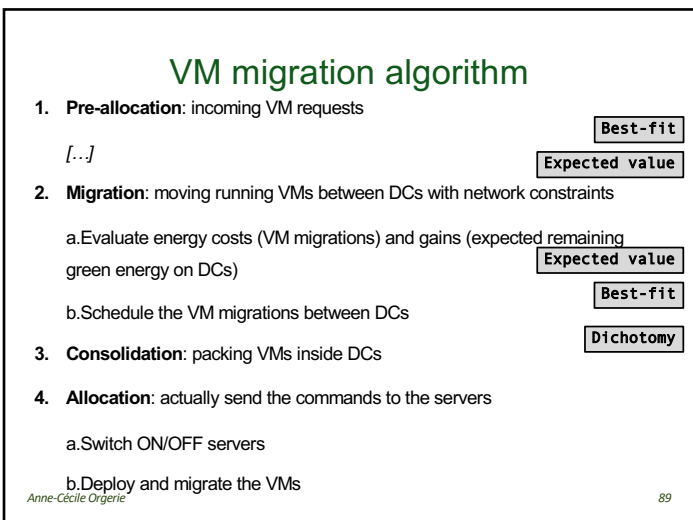
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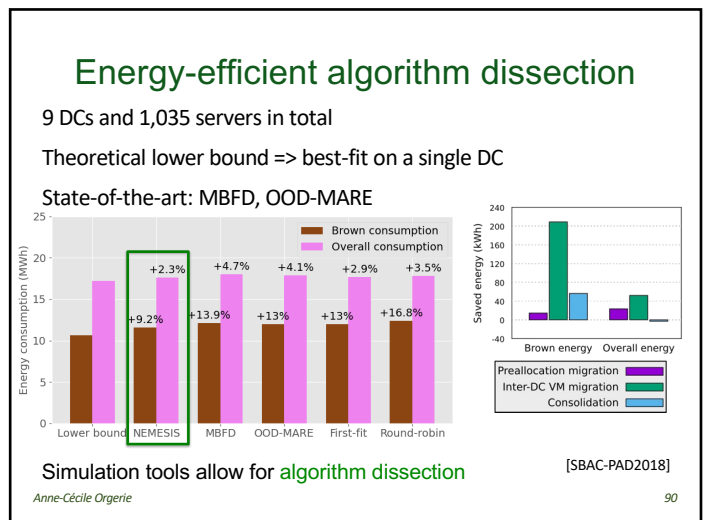
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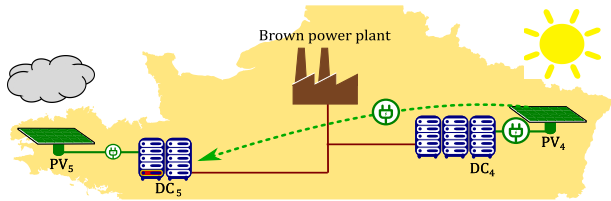


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Migrating energy?



[Cluster 2018, ISGT 2018]

Using **Smart Grids** capabilities:

- Increasing the share of renewables in the energy mix
- **Collective self-consumption**

Cost for using the electrical network (accounting for power losses, equipment aging, Grid services, etc.)

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A real example

Apple's North Carolina iCloud data center

40 MW (max) of power



Apple Environmental Responsibility Report, 2017.

Renewable energy

- two 20 MW and one 18 MW solar arrays
- one 10 MW biogas fuel cells
- producing 244 million kWh annually
- daily on-site production: 60-100% of facility's consumption

Around 450 acres (1,800,000 m²) needed for solar farms

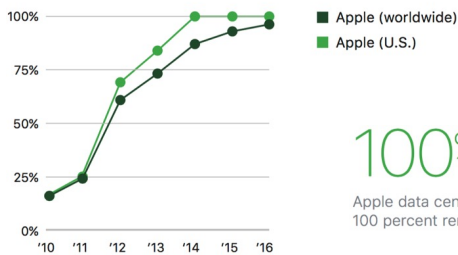
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Apple Environmental Responsibility Report 2016

Apple's renewable energy use



100%

Apple data centers are powered by 100 percent renewable energy.

In just six years, Apple's use of renewable energy to power its corporate facilities, retail stores, and data centers worldwide went from 16 percent in 2010 to 96 percent in 2016.

https://images.apple.com/environment/pdf/Apple_Environmental_Responsibility_Report_2017.pdf

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How is this possible?



The Truth About Apple's '100% Renewable' Energy Usage

Alex Epstein, Forbes, January 2016.

<http://tinyurl.com/yc3r7c73>

Apple pays off consumers and other companies to give it 'green credits' for its coal electricity usage

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To go a bit further



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ICT for Green ≠ Green ICT

• ICT for Green

- Use ICT technologies to reduce the environmental footprint of other processes and sectors
- E.g. smart grids, climate simulations, etc.

• Green ICT

- Reduction of the ICT's environmental footprint
- E.g. energy-aware data centers
- 3 ways: measurement, efficiency, sobriety

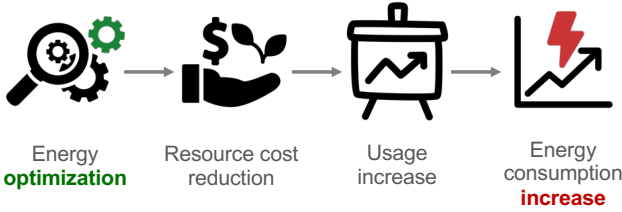


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Increasing energy efficiency ≠ reducing consumption



Underlying trends:

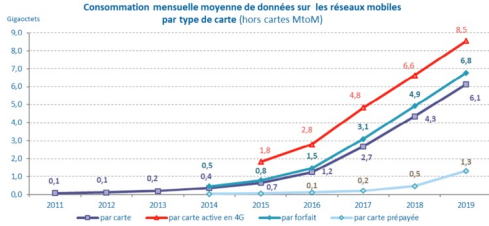
- Acceleration of equipment renewal rate
- Explosion of uses and consumption of data
- Digitization of all sectors, without prior study of environmental impacts

Beware of rebound effects!

ICT impacts

- **Direct effects at each stage of the life cycle**
 - Extraction : pollution, destruction of ecosystems, armed conflicts, depletion of resources
 - Transport
 - Use : electricity mix
 - Waste : insufficient collection, limited reuse, limited recycling
- **More or less positive indirect effects**
 - Optimization of other sectors
 - Obsolescence
 - Rebound effects
 - Interdependence linked to ICT
 - Digital divide, health (myopia, addictions, etc.)

More and more traffic



[Source: Marché des communications électroniques en France - Année 2019, ARCEP]

In Q4 2021 :

- 80.4 million SIM cards in France (prepaid and subscription)
- average monthly data consumption per SIM card: 10.4 GB/month

In Q4 2011 :

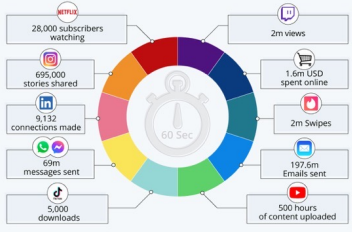
- 65.9 million SIM cards in France
- 0.1 GB/month (x100 in 10 years per user)



Can we save ICT...

A Minute on the Internet in 2021

Estimated amount of data created on the internet in one minute

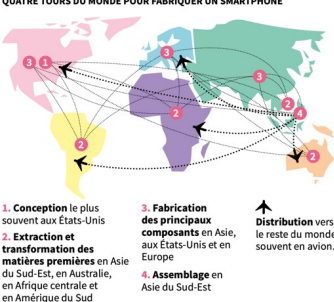


Source: Lori Lewis via AllAccess

... without changing users' habits?

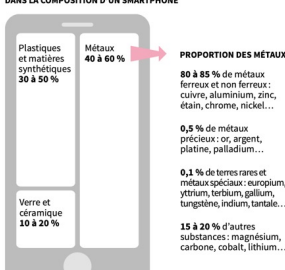
Things more and more indispensable

QUATRE TOURS DU MONDE POUR FABRIQUER UN SMARTPHONE



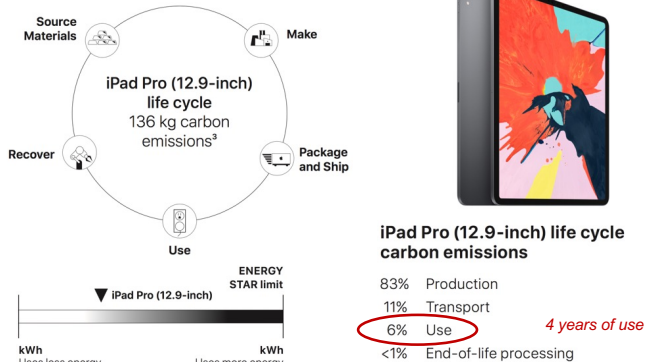
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RÉPARTITION DU POIDS DES MATÉRIAUX DANS LA COMPOSITION D'UN SMARTPHONE



Source: Oeko-Institut, EcoInfo et Sénat

Life cycle of end devices



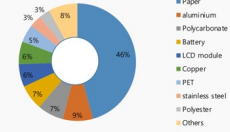
Numerous other environmental impacts

Product Features

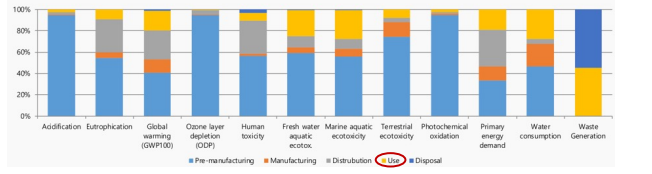


Model name	SM-N950U (Galaxy Note8)
Processor	Qualcomm 2.35GHz, 1.9GHz Octa-Core 64bit
Dimension	162.5 x 74.8 x 8.6 mm
Display	6.3" 2960 x 1440, 16M In-Cell Touch LCD
Battery	Li-Ion 3300 mAh
Camera	12 MP (5AP)
Wt. (g)	196.34g

Material Use



Characterized Environment Impact



Source: Life Cycle Assessment for Mobile Products, Samsung, 2018.

Standard	ISO 14040:2006 and 14044:2006	Pre-manufacturing	Parts and materials constituting the products and its transportation (from supplier to Samsung factory)
Database	Ecoinno 2.2	Manufacturing	Product assembly by Samsung Electronics (Data collection period: 3 months ahead of assessment)
Method for impact assessment	Life cycle impact assessment classification and characterization factors according to CML 2001 as provided in the SimaPro 7.1.5 LCA tool	Distribution	From China or Vietnam to United States
LCA software	SimaPro 7.1.5	Useful life	2 years on average
		Disposal	Waste treatment of parts and material

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Studying environmental impacts of ICT

<https://ecoinno.cnrs.fr>

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Opportunities

- To think differently
- To propose new things
- To build differently
- To design a sustainable future

- Sobriety
- Resilience
- Low-tech
- Sustainable computing
- Computational sustainability



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