Sustainable Information Technology Ecosystem

supply and demand side management

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Drivers of Next Generation of IT Services

Up and coming Small and Medium Enterprises

IT Advantage in the Emerging Economies

• Enabling Business Transformation

Retail Example:

Subhiksha Trading Services

"IT will be the key enabler and the key differentiator between operations that are or aren't well run. Whether it is managing the front end or logistics support or in stock and inventory management".

- R. Subramaniam, MD and Founder of Subhiksha Trading Services

The Economic Times, March 13, 2007



Subhiksha Store Vadodara, Gujarat, India



Drivers of Next Generation of IT Services

Micro businesses in emerging economies





IT services as a means for microbusinesses to improve quality of life if provided at a given price point





Sustainable IT Ecosystem Deconstruct conventional supply chain and replace with Sustainable IT ecosystem





The Road Ahead

Next Generation IT Services

- IT and telecommunications is a means to overcome physical infrastructure issues such as transportation, increase productivity and improve the standard of living.
- Necessitates a total cost of ownership (TCO) that enables growth in new areas e.g. 800 million in India who want to use IT as a means to improve quality of life and business competitiveness.
 - Achieving the TCO necessitates management of available energy in the IT ecosystem as a key resource.

Devising a Sustainable IT Ecosystem

- Evolve an "end to end" metric and process to address sustainability in IT
- Design, manufacture, operate and manage end of life of products that minimize consumption of available energy – a "cradle to cradle" perspective





Exergy or Available Energy

- "Exergy" is a measure of the quality of energy

 Or, alternatively, the amount of work available from a
 given amount of energy ('available energy')
- From the 2nd Law of Thermodynamics:
 - Irreversibilities in real processes continuously degrade the quality of energy, simultaneously destroying exergy
 - -For example, the conversion of coal to electricity
 - Or electricity to heat
 - Or rejection of heat to ambient





 Can a measure of the total exergy destroyed across a product's lifetime ("lifetime exergy") be a measure of the environmental sustainability?



Exergy consumed:

Operation

Electronics and electro-mechanical systems

Powering the electronics and thermal Management

- Work required to remove heat
 - Flow Work
 - volume flow, m³/s
 - pressure drop, Pa
 - Thermodynamic Work
 - Temperature, °C





Technology Trends chip packaging, integrated photonics, semiconductor technology Source: Chandrakant Patel projections, non industry data





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Chip, Package and System Scale Work required to remove the heat



Demise of Passive Only Cooling Solution

• Work Required at the chip interface level due to high power density and advent of new packaging





Data Center Cooling

Conventional approach in controlling temperature in the data center

• Single point temperature measurement at the return of the CRAC (Computer Room Air Conditioning Unit), typically set at 20 °C







Coefficient of Performance of the Ensemble



Patel, C.D., Sharma, R.K., Bash, C.E., Beitelmal, M, "Energy Flow in the Information Technology Stack: Introducing the Coefficient of Performance of the Ensemble", ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition, November 5-10, 2006, Chicago, Illinois

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Data Center Total Cost of Ownership



Patel and Shah, Cost Model for Planning, Development and Operation of a Data Center <u>http://www.hpl.hp.com/techreports/2005/HPL-2005-107R1.html</u>



Smart IT

IT-Facility End to End Management



enable dynamic change in configuration



Dynamic Smart Cooling Architecture



- CRAC temperature control sensors moved from return to supply side; Room Chilled Water Supply
- Variable Frequency Drives added to AC units;
- Temperature sensors added to rack inlets;
- Advanced algorithms control operation of AC units.



HP Labs Smart Data Center Palo Alto, California





HP Labs Data Center

Palo Alto, CA

Conventional Mode

Dynamic Smart Cooling Mode

- 35% Energy Savings
- Improved reliability



Local Disturbances – Vent Tile Blockage

Scenario: IT department performed maintenance on a rack and covered nearby vent tiles for 4 hours with bag. DSC responds and keeps impacted racks below maximum.





Global Disturbance – Chiller Failure

Scenario: Groundskeeper blows leaves into primary cooling tower during routine cleanup. Leaves block filter in cooling tower retarding condenser water flow that ultimately results in chiller failure. DSC delayed the impact of the failure allowing for repair.





HP R&D Lab-Data Center

Dynamic Smart Cooling Implementation in Bangalore



Supply Side and Demand Side Management

delivery

operation

retirement

time

Demand Side (Consumption of Resources):

 Library of *flexible* and *scalable* building blocks overlaid with pervasive sensing and control to provision resources based on the need

Supply Side (Availability of Resources)

- Devise a 2nd law based tool that enables a "cradle to cradle" approach in quantifying and designing the IT ecosystem
- Can it be used to:
 - Dematerialize the ecosystem i.e. least materials design
 - Seek out appropriate materials
 - Seek out appropriate distributed energy sources
 - Seek out analytical techniques to address operations and "end of life"
 - **leverage** the rich instrumentation used for demand side management to detect and understand anomalies



Dematerializing the Ecosystem

Data Center Management: modeling, measurement and inference

manufacturing

operation

retirement

Reduce redundancy, manage "end of life":

• Minimize redundancy in the data center facility infrastructure

- Example: empirical data and inference techniques to eliminate excessive redundancy e.g. standby air conditioners
- Hardware <u>"Damage Boundary</u>" [1] and minimizing hardware redundancy
 - IT-Facility measurement and inference techniques in place, can we push the limits of operation
 - Example: Understanding the impact inlet temperature T_{in} to life of components by having thermo-mechanical models in place
 - Understanding thermo-mechanical behavior to determine root cause of failure and manage "end of life"
- Drive reliability studies have been presented before at USENIX using large samples, SMASH data – opportunity to extend the work [2][3]

*Used for fragility assessment – can this be extended to other areas to determine operational limts

- [1] Lee Hedtke, Chandrakant Patel, Damage Boundary Testing of Hard Disk Drives, Proceedings of the ASME Winter Annual Meeting, 1990
- [2] Pinheiro, Wolf-Dietrich Weber, Luiz André Barroso. Failure Trends in Large Disk Drive Population. In Proceedings of the 5th USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST '08), February 2007.
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Rigid Drive Mechanism (Thermal)



Thermo-Volume Resistance Expedient Thermo-Fluids Modeling of Systems

Can we represent sub-systems as "thermo-volumes" with thermo-mechanical attributes?



Rigid Drive Mechanism (Mechanical)

retirement

<u>Susceptibility to vibration:</u>

• over the years, stiffness to mass ratio has gone up due to miniaturization

• however, in-situ disturbances in data centers can coincide with natural frequency of the arm





Dematerializing the Ecosystem Lifetime Exergy Advisor - Case Study of Sample PC

Extraction Data



Ref: HP Labs – UC Berkeley data



manufacturing

Joules: Currency of the Flat World

ecosystem: billions of handhelds and printers, thousands of data centers and print factories

Cradle to Cradle Design: Least Material, Appropriate materials based on the 2nd Law of Thermodynamics

Least Energy through need based provisioning of resources





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