

SeDuCe

a Testbed for research on thermal and power management in datacenters

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Context





















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	% US electrical production
2000	0.8%
2005	1.5%
2014	2.2% ?

Amortized Cost	Component	Sub-Components
~45%	Servers	CPU, memory, storage systems
$\sim 25\%$	Infrastructure	Power distribution and cooling
$\sim \! 15\%$	Power draw	Electrical utility costs
~15%	Network	Links, transit, equipment

Table 1: Guide to where costs go in the data center.



Electrical consumption of US datacenters [1]



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Experimental research on energy in datacenters

- Datacenters consume a lot of energy (power supply of hardware, cooling, ...) [1], [2]
- A lot of the research on energy in DCs is based on simulations : few public testbeds offer monitoring of energy consumption of their servers (Grid'5000 proposes <u>Kwapi</u>)
- As far as we know, no public testbed provide thermal monitoring of servers
- Energy and Temperature are two related physical quantities
- Lack of a testbed that proposes both thermal and energetic monitoring of its servers



The SeDuCe testbed



G5K + SeDuCe = Ecotype

- Grid'5000 is a french scientific testbed that provides bare metal computing resources to researchers in <u>Distributed Systems</u>.
- Grid'5000 is a distributed infrastructure composed of 8 sites hosting clusters of servers
- SeDuCe is a testbed hosted in Nantes and integrated with Grid'5000
- SeDuCe aims at easing the process of conducting experiments that combine both thermal and power aspect of datacenters









- Ecotype is the new Grid'5000 cluster hosted at IMT Atlantique in Nantes
- 48 servers based on Dell R630 <u>designed to operate at up to 35°C</u> 2x10 cores (2x20 threads), 128GB RAM, 400GB SSDs
- 5 Air tight racks based on Schneider Electrics IN-ROW
- Servers are monitored with temperature sensors and wattmeters





Room architecture



Central Cooling System (CCS)



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Rack Z5	Rack Z4	Rack Z3	Rack Z2	Rack Z1
ecotype-prod-2	ecotype-management		ecotype-prod-1	
ecotype-1	ecotype-13			
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Network Switch



Central Cooling System

Server



Thermal and power monitoring

- The energy consumption of each element of the testbed is monitored (one record per second)
- Each sub component of the CCS (fans, condensator, ...) is monitored
- Temperature of servers is monitored (one record per seconds)







- Based on DS18B20 (unit cost: 3\$)
- 96 sensors installed on 8 buses
- Each bus is connected to an arduino (oneWire protocol)
- Arduinos push data to a web service
- Thermal inertia : they fit in environment where temperature changes smoothly







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Power monitoring

- Wattmeters integrated in APC PDUs
- Each server has 2 power outlets and is connected to 2 PDUs
- 1 record per outlet per second
- PDUs are connected to a management network
- Network switches, cooling systems (fans, condensator) are also monitored (PDUS, <u>Flukso, Socometers</u>)



Wattmeters





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Architecture of the SeDuCe platform

- Arduinos push data to a web service (temperature registerer)
- Power consumption crawlers poll data from PDUs and other power monitoring devices
- Data is stored in InfluxDB (time serie oriented database)
- Users can access to data of the testbed via:
 - a web dashboard: https://seduce.fr
 - a documented Rest API: <u>https://api.seduce.fr</u>
- Dashboard and API fetch data from InfluxDB









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- In parallel of the experiment, energetic and thermal data become available on the Seduce platform
- It is possible to collect data of a specific time range after the experiment





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Experimentation example with the testbed



Understand the impact of idle servers

- Idle servers are active servers that don't execute any useful workload
- They consume energy
- They produce heat
- They don't contribute to the cluster
- Impact of idle servers has been studied in a third party publication [6]
- We would like to reproduce this observation with our data



- Servers are divided in 3 groups : active, idle, turned off servers
 - actives group : 24 servers
 - idle servers
 - turned off servers : remaining servers
- CPUs of all active servers are stressed
- During one hour, consumption of the CCS is recorded
- Iteratively, we set the number of idle servers to 0, 6, 12, 18, 24 servers
- Each experiment is repeated 5 times. Between 2 experiment, servers are shut down until the temperature is back to 26°C.

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Results

- The number of idle nodes has an impact on the temperature in the hot aisle
- High density of active servers
- Sensors of the CCS detect the hot spots
- CCS has to maintain a temperature target
- Max consumption of the CCS is ~3300Wh

SCS enabled









Analysis

- Integration with Grid'5000 : experimental workflow mainly rely on tools such as <u>kadeploy</u>, <u>kapower</u> and <u>execo</u>
- Meanwhile, we collected from the API the power consumption and the temperature of elements of the testbed
- Thus, the SeDuCe testbed enables to easily perform experiments mixing temperature and energy aspects of a datacenter
- The data collected by SeDuCe sensors seems to be relevant



Future work



Better temperature sensors

- Collaboration with the Energy Department at IMT Atlantique
- We have designed an electronic card that embeds 16 thermocouples, (*using the <u>AutoDesk Eagle</u> CAD software*)
- We are planning to install these cards within September 2018





Provide full control on cooling settings

- We plan to let users decide the temperature of the testbed during their experiments
- Few questions need to be answered (ensure that only the user that is experimenting can change cooling parameters, security, prevent incident)





Renewable energies

- In summer 2018, solar panels and batteries will be included to the testbed.
- We will discuss with the manufacturer mid July <u>to understand what we can do with</u> <u>the solar panels</u>
- <u>Ideally</u>, we plan to let users build experiment where they can decide what to do : use energy, store in battery.
- Enable a wide range of research such as placement policies that takes into account renewable energy.





Conclusion



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- SeDuCe is a testbed that enable research activities that mix both thermal and power management in datacenters
- It proposes "Ecotype", a new Grid'5000 cluster composed of 48 servers
- The temperature and the power consumption of equipments of the testbed are monitored and made available to the testbed's users
- Future work consists in improving the quality of the temperature sensors and including the renewable energies aspect in the testbed



Questions?

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