



Global Overlook of Energy Efficient Internet Data Centres (IDCs)

Zhuolun Chen
Senior Advisor, Ph.D., LEED AP

<u>zhchen@dtu.dk</u>
Copenhagen Centre on Energy Efficiency

UNEP DTU COPENHAGEN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY

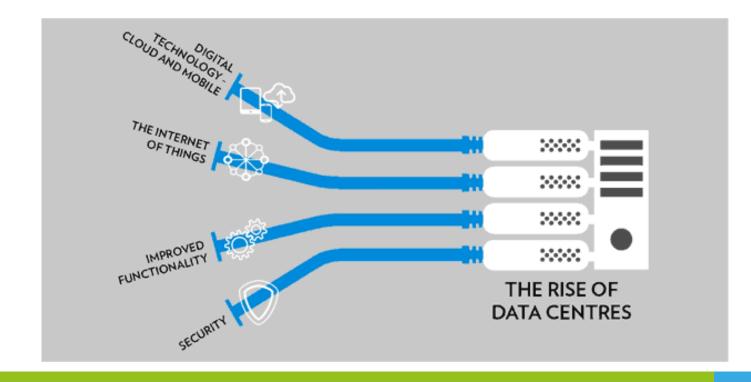
OVERVIEW





The Rise of Internet Data Centres (IDCs)

- Digital Technology Cloud and Mobile
- The Internet of Things (IoT)
- Improved Functionality
- Security





OVERVIEW RISE OF INTERNET DATA CENTRES



The Rise of Internet Data Centres (IDCs)

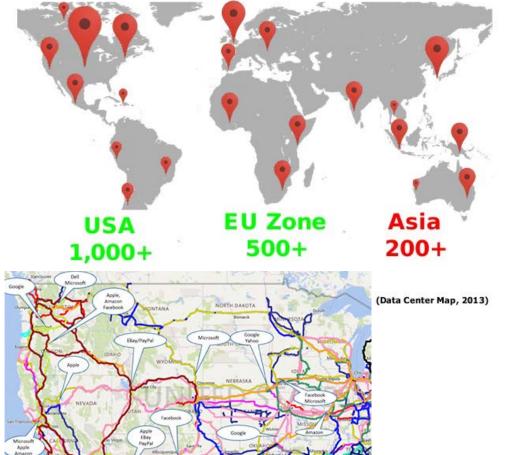
Global visualization and big data



UNEP DTU COPENHAGEN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY SEFORALL EE HUB

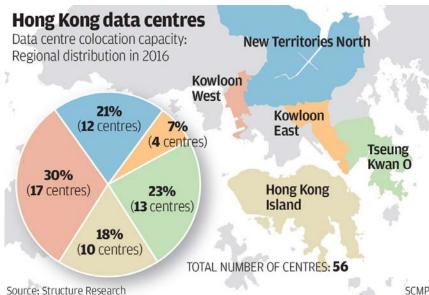
INTERNET DATA CENTRE (IDC) DEVELOPMENTS IN THE WORLD





IDCs are everywhere:

- The mapping of IDCs in 2013 showed they are expanding
- No matter in big countries like USA, or small regions like Hongkong. We are well connected by IDCs



IDCs by fiber optics connections

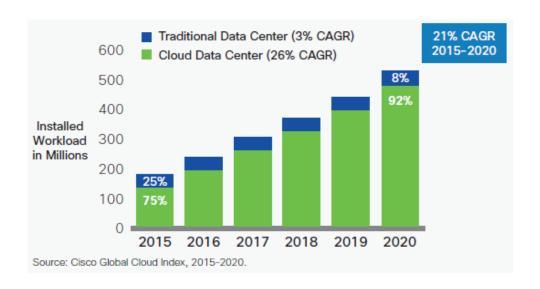
Source: Fiber Locator / Sugarloaf Associates LLC

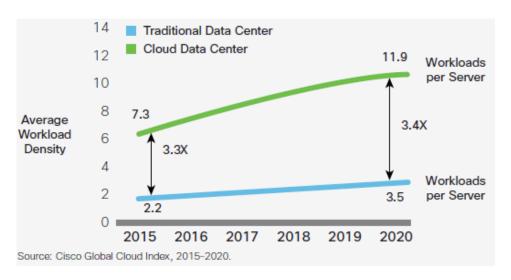




Higher workloads in IDCs

- Workloads: By 2020, 92 percent of workloads will be processed by cloud data centers or IDCs.
- Workload density: grow from 7.3 in 2015 to 11.9 by 2020



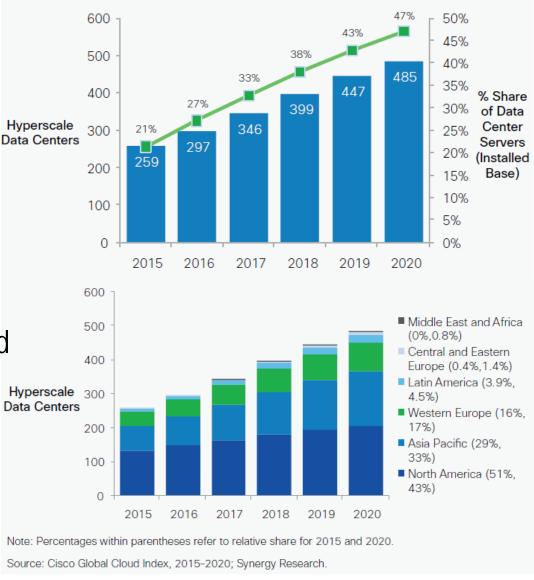






Hyperscale IDCs

- Hyperscale data centers will grow from 259 in number at the end of 2015 to 485 by 2020.
- They will account for 83
 percent of the public cloud
 server installed base in 2020
 and 86 percent of public cloud
 workloads.



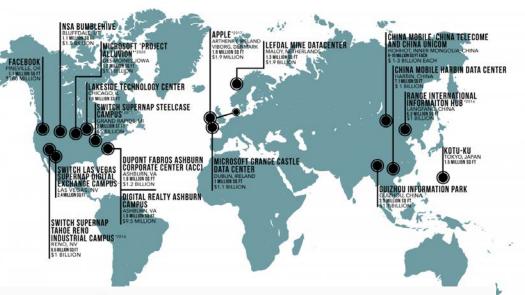


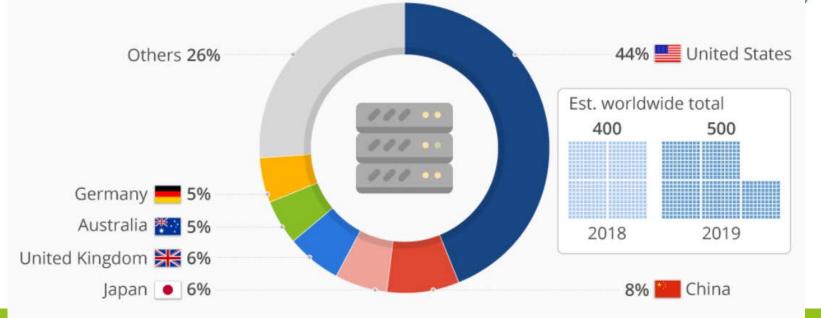


Hyperscale IDCs

 Hyperscale IDCs with largest in size and fastest in computing speed are located all over the world.

 44% of hyperscale IDCs are located in USA.



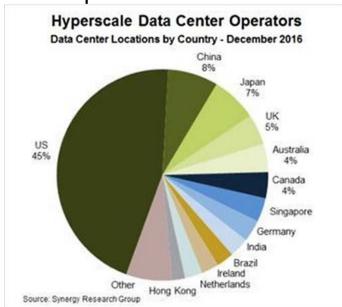




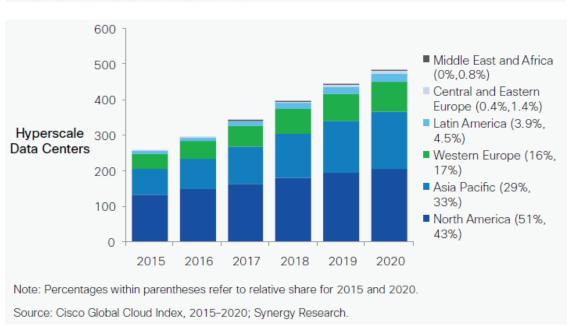


Hyperscale IDCs

- They will represent 47
 percent of all installed data
 center servers by 2020.
- Mainly located in North America, Asia and Western Europe.









INTERNET DATA CENTRE (IDC) ENERGY CONSUMPTIONS

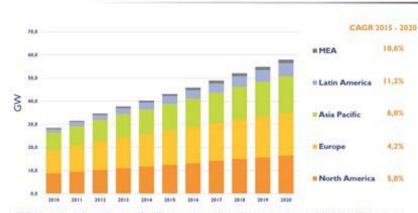


Electricity

- The electricity capacity for IDCs will increase around 25-30%, comparing 2020 to 2016
- For the cases in USA, electricity consumption of hyperscale IDC double, comparing 2020 to 2016

WORLDWIDE DATA CENTER FACILITIES - POWER NEEDS IN GW

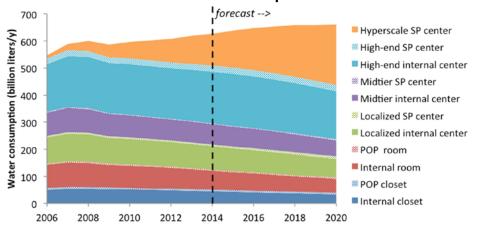
(Source: New Technologies and Architectures for Efficient Data Center report, July 2015, Yole Développement)

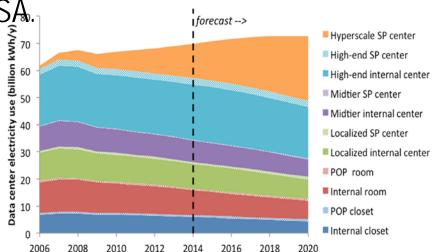


With no slowdown in new facility construction, data centers worldwide will have an increasing need for power.

Water

Total water consumption in IDCs in USA.

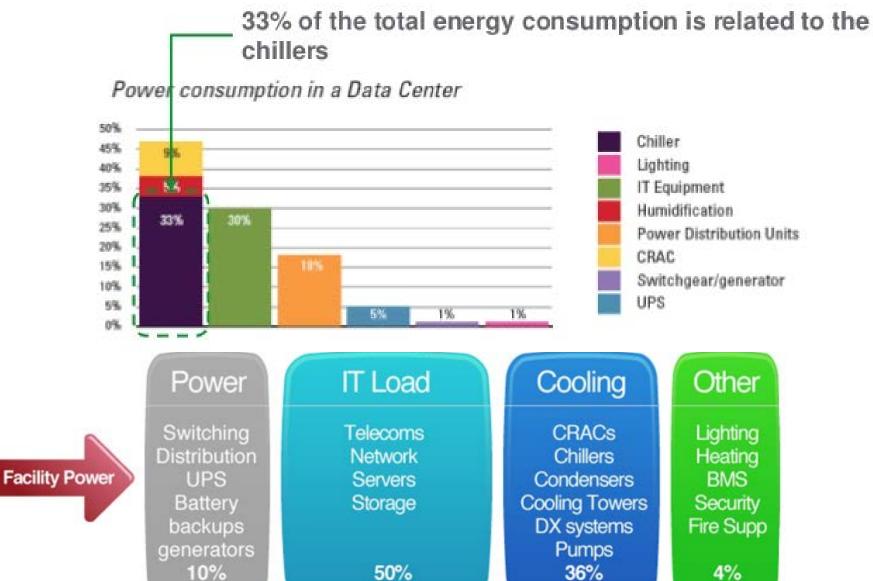






INTERNET DATA CENTRE (IDC) ENERGY CONSUMPTIONS

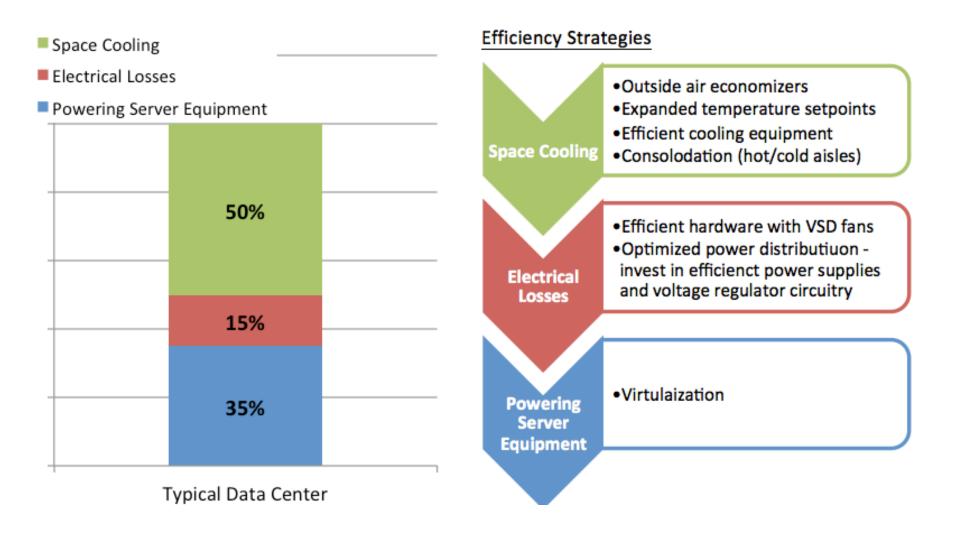




UNEP DTU COPENHAGEN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY SEFORALL EE HUB

INTERNET DATA CENTRE (IDC) ENERGY CONSUMPTIONS





INTERNET DATA CENTRE (IDC)



ENERGY CONSUMPTIONS

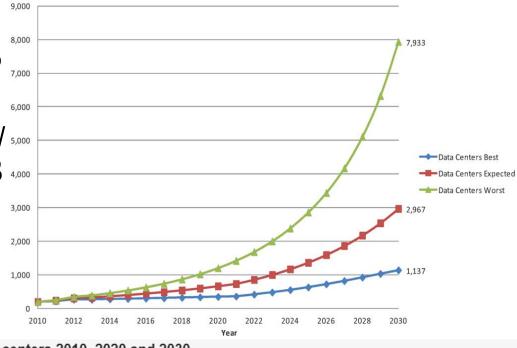


Energy efficiency trends

- The energy efficiency of IDCs is expected to improve at least 5% annually.
- The expected average efficiency 5,000 will improve from 0.135 kWh/GB 4,000 in 2010 to 0.014kWh/GB
- Need to use renewable energy, high-efficient IT hardware and innovative cooling technologies. 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018

 Table 2. Electricity intensity roadmap for networks and data centers 2010, 2020 and 2030.

Electricity usage (TWh) of Data Centers 2010-2030



	2010 (kWh/GB)	2020 (KWh/GB)	2030 (KWh/GB)	Reduction of electricity intensity 2030 compared to 2010
FAN wired	0.50	0.11-0.28	0.061-0.17	66%–87%
FAN Wi-Fi	0.36	0.07-0.17	0.014-0.10	72%–96%
WAN	6–15	0.047-1.04	0.002-0.048	>99%
Data centers	0.13-0.14	0.027-0.085	0.014-0.051	64-89%

Source: On Global Electricity Usage of Communication Technology: Trends to 2030

https://www.mdpi.com/2078-1547/6/1/117/htm



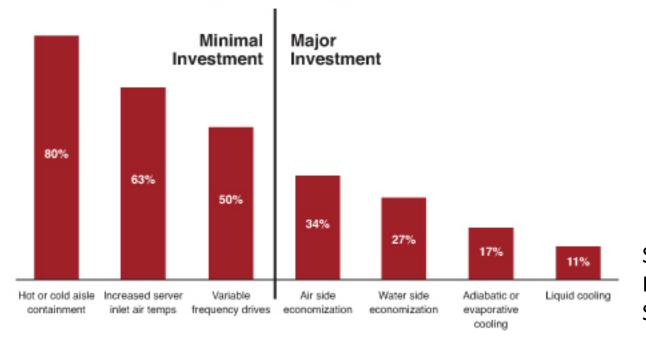
POTENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGIES IN IDC



Cooling systems

 Even though understood the importance of efficiency, more IDCs are tackling inefficient cooling systems in IDCs, when considering investment

Advanced cooling technology adoption



Source: Uptime Institute
Data Center Industry
Survey 2014

UNEP DTU COPENHAGEN CENTRE PARTNERSHIP ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY SEFORALL EE HUB

POTENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGIES IN IDC



Free cooling

- Based on ASHRAE TC 9.9, it is possible for IDCs to utilize year-round cooling.
- Free cooling is not entirely free, since even air-side economization requires energy to move air, rotate a heat wheel, and so on.
- Annual average PUE can be reduced 20%-30%



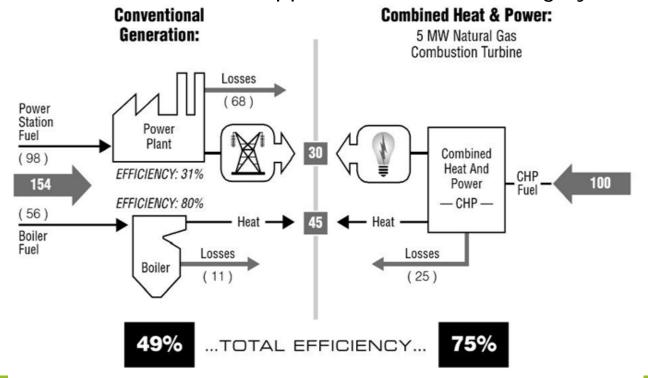
COPENHAGEN CENTRE

POTENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGIES IN IDC



District energy system

- Use cogeneration system to provide electricity, cooling to IDCs.
- The primary energy efficiency should be raise up to 70%, comparing to conventional system of 40%
- Reuse the heat from IDC to support the district heating system.







Thank you very much

Zhuolun Chen
Senior Advisor, Ph.D., LEED AP
zhchen@dtu.dk