

Context & Challenges



❑ Supercomputer lifetime duration strategy : A key sustainability and economic lever

HPC infrastructure **global efficiency** depends strongly on environmental, energy, and economic constraints

How to maximize the service provided wrt OPEX+CAPEX and carbon footprint over years ?

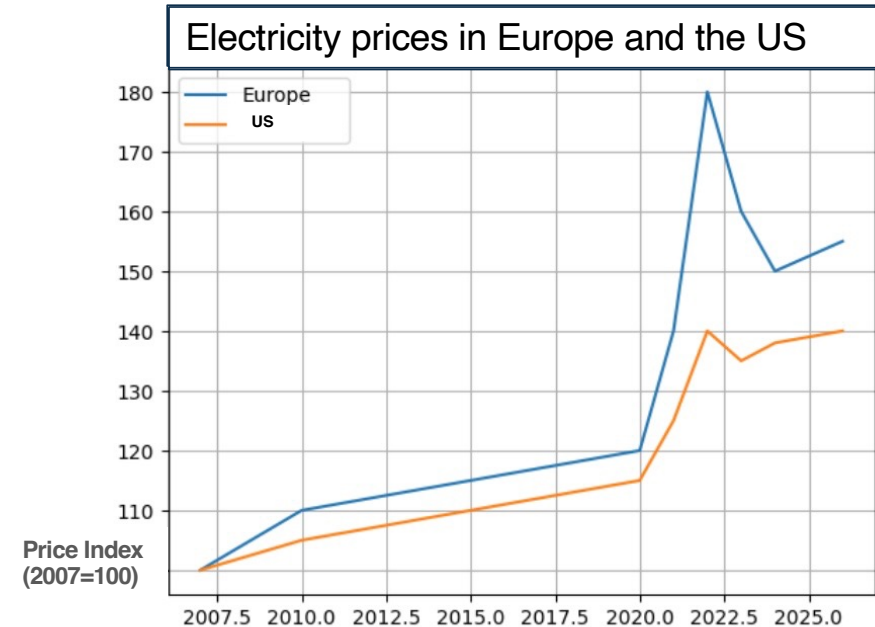
- Focus on Perf / Watt (ETS taking over TTS) (procurement & production)

Energy to Solution

Time to Solution

- Carbon foot print to be considered in a holistic approach
Components Global life cycle, Integration, Energy, Cooling ...
- Consider TCO with the OPEX growth relatively to CAPEX
While Moore's law survives (somehow), Dennard's law is stopped
(dissipation / consumption increases wrt processor surface)
- OPEX strongly impacted by electricity price trend

Let's put it into mathematical models ...



BALANCING CAPEX, OPEX, AND SUSTAINABILITY IN HPC PROCUREMENTS

Models for actionable strategies (1/3) :

Efficiency related to carbon footprint

Variables in use (summary)

- g : years between techno generation
- A : App acceleration / per generation
- Ay : A on a per year basis
- Fab-CO2 : Carbon emissions due to fabrication (gpus, cpus, memories, racks ...)
- Prod-CO2 : Carbon emission due to production phase (energy consumption)
- PUE : Power Usage Efficiency - Data center
- Usage : Percentage usage of facility

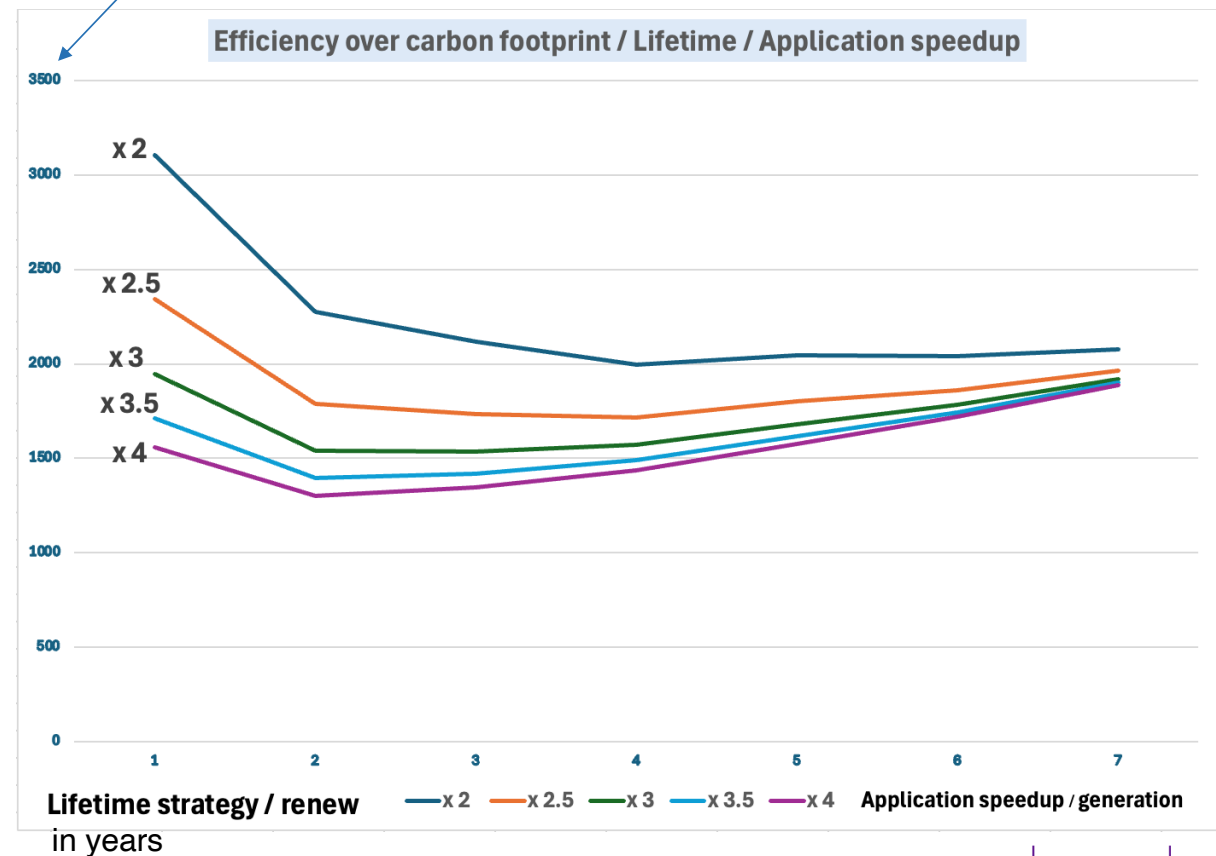
$$Ay = A \left(\frac{1}{g} \right) = e^{(\ln A)/g}$$

Carbon emissions related to app performance



Results are in carbon emissions related to application production

For a range of application speedups :
Carbon emissions / application speedup /
based on conservation duration
(sum up over 10 years scenario)



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Models for actionable strategies (2/3) :

Efficiency related to global budget i.e. TCO

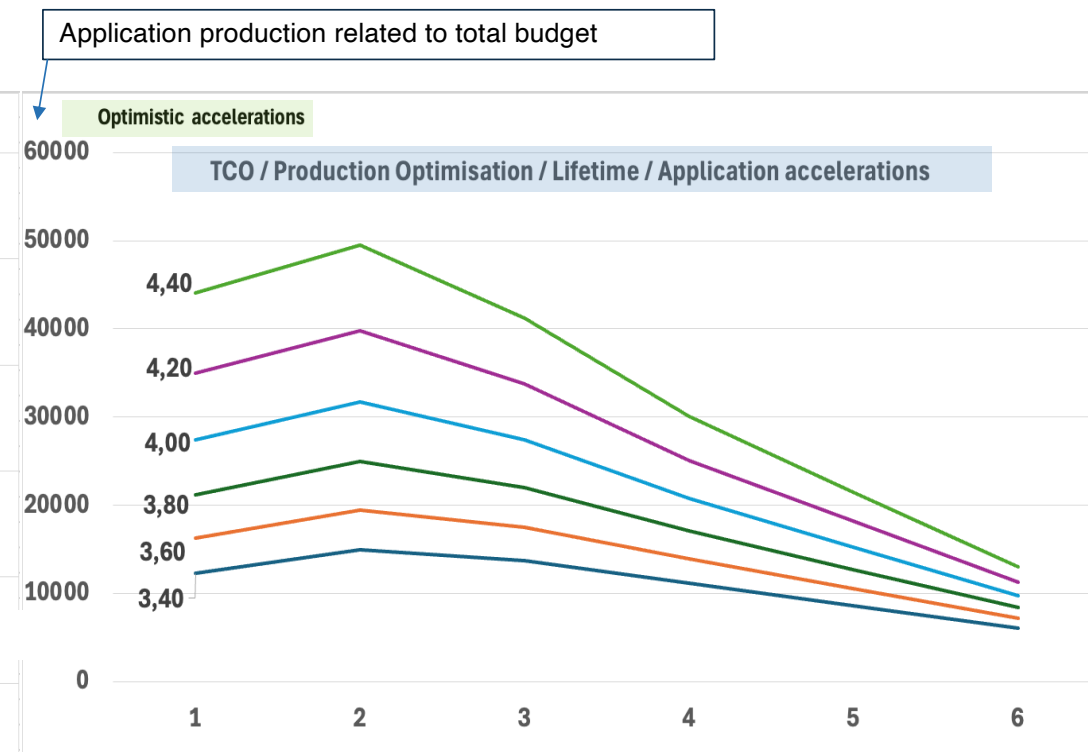
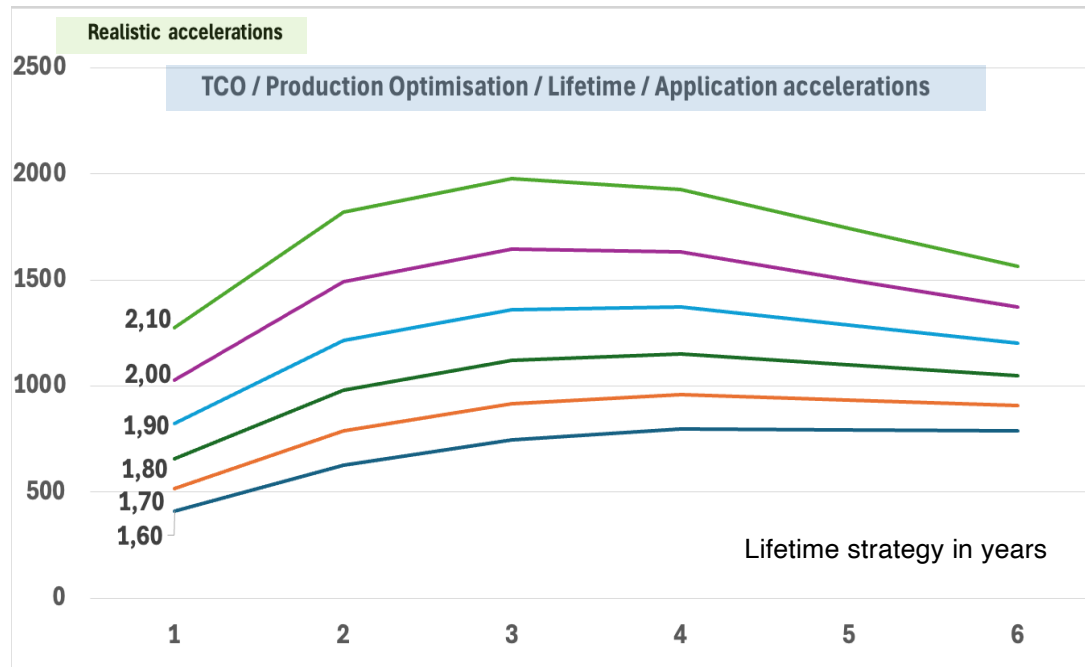


For a fixed budget over n years :

What is the optimal conservation duration depending on Applications acceleration ?

Variables in use (including some of the Carbon Foot Print model)

- Annual Budget = $CAPEX/n + OPEX$
- With OPEX/CAPEX increasing over generations (energy part ~10% ratio / year)
- Energy price / maintenance



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Models for actionable strategies (3/3) :

Conclusions - Limits & considerations

Conclusions :

- Similar results either on TCO or Carbon footprint
- Acceleration of application is key.
 - Below x1.8, flat after 4 years and more → don't change !
 - Reasonable speedup (x2 – x3) optimal lifetime is between 4 and 3 years
 - Optimistic / breakthrough speedup ($> x3$) could tend to 2 years
 - From x2, longer lifetime (after optimum) leads to :
 - non optimal use of budget
 - carbon footprint inefficiency

Limits & Considerations :

- *Pace and increase of consumption between technology generation are assumed constant*
- *CAPEX sky-rocketing due to memory crisis not included in the model !*
- *Carbon footprint is based on French energy mix*
- *Holistic Carbon footprint is complex (different lifetime contributors to consider / decision target)*
- *Scope is homogenous configuration*
- *Assumption that applications are pre-existing for comparisons*
- *Applications acceleration must be considered for global throughput*
- *Warning for high lifetime : maintenance (5 – 10% of CAPEX per year) may rise or become not available*

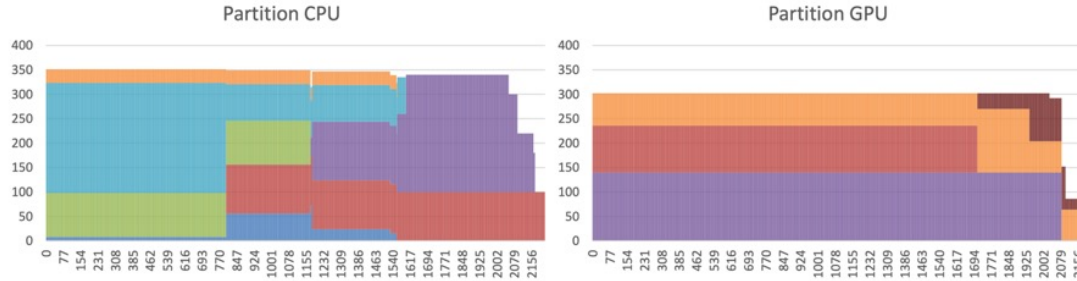




Le calcul intensif au service de la connaissance

— **BACKUP SLIDE** —

TCO Method



Then :

$$E_T = E_C + E_D + E_U$$

$$E_T = \left[\left(E_{Ct} * \frac{c}{c_{wl}} * PUE_{compute} \right) + (E_{Dt} * PUE_{disk}) + (E_{Ut} * PUE_{cdu}) \right] * \frac{T}{t}$$

$$TCO_E = E_T * EnergyCost$$

$$TCO = Purchase + Maintenance + Infrastructure + Staff + TCO_E$$

Where:

- *Purchase* is the acquisition cost of the machine
- *Maintenance* is the maintenance cost over 5 years
- *Infrastructure* is the specific cost of infrastructure for the machine
- *Staff* is the cost for complementary staff for machine exploitation over 5 years

Cost of the workload (TCO_b) takes into account the number of time (N) it will be possible to run it over 5 years

$$N = \frac{c}{c_{wl}} * \frac{T}{t}$$

$$TCO_b = TCO / N$$

Variable definition :

t : wallclock time of the workload

E_{Ct} : Energy consumption by computational nodes

E_{Dt} : Energy consumption from disks and service nodes

E_{Ut} : Energy consumption from internal cooling devices

c : total core count of the proposed configuration

c_{wl} : core count used for the selected workload

T : Number of second in 5 years

N : Number of runs of the workload during 5 years

E_T : Total energy consumption during 5 years

EC : Energy of computational part during 5 years

ED : Energy of storage and service nodes during 5 years

EU : Energy of internal cooling device during 5 years

$TCOE$: TCO due to energy consumption during 5 ans

PUE_{air} : Power Usage Effectiveness for air cooled devices

PUE_{coldw} : Power Usage Effectiveness for "Cold water" cooled devices

PUE_{hotw} : Power Usage Effectiveness for "Hot water" cooled devices

Energy calculations :

$$E_C = E_{Ct} * \frac{c}{c_{wl}} * PUE_{compute} * \frac{T}{t}$$

$$E_D = E_{Dt} * PUE_{disk} * \frac{T}{t}$$

$$E_U = E_{Ut} * PUE_{cdu} * \frac{T}{t}$$

With

$$PUE_{compute} = 1 + [(PUE_{air} - 1) * \%_{air-for-compute}] + [(PUE_{coldw} - 1) * \%_{coldw-for-compute}] + [(PUE_{hotw} - 1) * \%_{hotw-for-compute}]$$

$$PUE_{disk} = 1 + [(PUE_{air} - 1) * \%_{air-for-disk}] + [(PUE_{coldw} - 1) * \%_{coldw-for-disk}] + [(PUE_{hotw} - 1) * \%_{hotw-for-disk}]$$

$$PUE_{cdu} = 1 + [(PUE_{air} - 1) * \%_{air-cdu}] + [(PUE_{coldw} - 1) * \%_{coldw-for-cdu}] + [(PUE_{hotw} - 1) * \%_{hotw-for-cdu}]$$