

Optimizing Energy Efficiency and Quality of Service in Large Scale Web Server Environments

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- Energy Saving Daemon (CHERUB)
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Components of a Server-Load-Balancing (SLB) Cluster





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Motivation

- 30% of servers world-wide are *comatose* according to [1] (2015, Stanford) and [2] (2008, Uptime Institute)
- Corresponds to 4GW
 The most power full nuclear power plant block on earth generates 1.5GW



https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Datei:Chooz_Nuclear_Power_Plant-9361.jpg



Motivation

- Energy has become a critical resource in cluster designs
- Demand of energy is still permanently rising
- Strategies for saving energy:
 - 1. Switch off unused resources
 - 2. Virtualization
 - Effective cooling (e.g. build your cluster in north Sweden like Facebook did)



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Cherubs functionality

- Centralized approach no clients on back-ends
- Daemon located at master node polls the system in fixed time intervals to analyze its state
 - Status of every node
 - Load situation
- Depending on the state of the nodes, saved attributes and the load prediction, actions are performed for every node
- Online system we don't need any information about future load



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Simulation - ClusterSim Architecture



Scalability Evaluation of an Energy-Aware Resource Management System for Clusters of Web Servers Kiertscher, Schnor

International Symposium on Performance Evaluation of Computer and Telecommunication Systems (SPECTS), Chicago, USA, July 2015



Simulation - Energy accounting

- Using real data from SPECpower_ssj 2008 Benchmark (Systems from 2007-2015)
- No data about STR, Boot or Shutdown consumption





ClusterSim - Features

- Round-robin scheduler with 100ms time quantum
- Simulation of the Apache MPM Modules
- Bulk arrivals and TCP-Backlog Queue (BLQ) checks every second (no typical discrete event driven simulation)
- Energy modeled based on utilization and real data



ClusterSim - Missing Features

- No modeling of system noise (easy to integrate)
- No concurrent resource access



Normal Setup





Simulation Setup





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Used Metrics

- Quality of Service (QoS) in % using a 5 second timeout
- Request duration (RD) in milliseconds including waiting and processing time
- Energy consumption (EC) in Wh / Energy saved (ES) in %
- Number of physical state changes (PSCs) defined as the process to either turn on or turn off a node
- Score, a weighted ranking of the other 4 metrics



Score Strategies

- Scores weighted ranking is done according to 3 different strategies
 - High Performance Provider (HP) prioritizes QoS and RD
 - Low Cost Provider (LC) prioritizes EC/ES and PSC
 - Balanced System (B) prioritizes QoS and EC/ES



Varied Factors

- Boot duration of the nodes:
 5, 30, 60, 120, 180 seconds
- Used backup:
 0, 5, 10, 25 %
- Shutdown strategy: aggressive or one-by-one
- Explicit wait before boot:
 0 or 1 minute



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Used Workload and Optimum regarding EC/ES

- Peak load situation \rightarrow Worst Case
- Derived from real trace





Used Workload and Optimum (5 seconds boottime)





Used Workload and Optimum (60 seconds boottime)



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Used Workload and Optimum (3 minutes boottime)





Reference without CHERUB

 All nodes active and running achieves QoS 98,67 % and EC of 3214,5 Wh

	QoS	EC in Wh	ES in %	PZW
Reference	98,67 %	3214,5	-	-
Optimum 5	-	2255,0	29,9	1094
Optimum 30	-	2477,3	22,9	404
Optimum 60	-	2604,8	19,0	249
Optimum 120	-	2734,2	14,9	215
Optimum 180	-	2862,1	11,0	181



One out of 80



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One out of 80



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Results QoS

Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 0	ж	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 1	
Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 0	+	Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 1	×
Referenzszenario		-	





Results Energy Saving

Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 1	×	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 1	
Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 0	+	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 0	ж
Optimale Einsparung			





ES vs QoS

auto. sh., wait 0	+	seq. sh., wait 0	ж
auto. sh., wait 1	×	seq. sh., wait 1	





Score - Parameter Settings

strategy	boot duration in s	score	shutdown	wait in min	backup in %
	5	70.3	seq.	0	25
	30	66.5	seq.	0	25
HP	60	63.6	seq.	0	25
	120	56.9	seq.	0	25
	180	53.1	seq.	0	25
	5	61.0	seq.	1	0
	30	60.5	seq.	1	0
LC	60	56.3	seq.	1	0
	120	49.2	seq.	1	0
	180	43.1	auto.	1	0
	5	55.4	auto.	0	10
В	30	50.8	auto.	0	10
	60	47.8	auto.	0	10
	120	41.1	auto.	1	25
	180	33.9	auto.	1	10



Score - Results

strategy	boot duration in s	score	QoS in %	ES in %	Optimum Saving	RD in ms	PSCs	shutdown	wait in min	backup in %
	5	70.3	98.70	13.63	29.9	67	123	seq.	0	25
	30	66.5	97.77	13.42	22.9	79	135	seq.	0	25
HP	60	63.6	97.16	11.44	19.0	78	159	seq.	0	25
	120	56.9	94.63	10.02	14.9	81	156	seq.	0	25
	180	53.1	92.32	10.64	11.0	80	148	seq.	0	25
	5	61.0	84.56	32.60	29.9	548	94	seq.	1	0
	30	60.5	83.42	31.58	22.9	430	89	seq.	1	0
LC	60	56.3	83.13	30.12	19.0	401	105	seq.	1	0
	120	49.2	82.30	29.76	14.9	527	124	seq.	1	0
	180	43.1	78.00	34.25	11.0	1452	180	auto.	1	0
	5	55.4	96.99	28.08	29.9	574	199	auto.	0	10
	30	50.8	96.00	26.37	22.9	619	219	auto.	0	10
В	60	47.8	94.73	26.08	19.0	658	211	auto.	0	10
	120	41.1	92.07	22.29	14.9	211	174	auto.	1	25
	180	33.9	84.66	28.74	11.0	626	173	auto.	1	10



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Conclusion

- Strategy works in 100 node SLB-Setup
- Results are very close to the optimum (with fast hardware)
- Boot duration is a critical factor
- Backup has a linear influence on QoS and EC
- Aggressive shutdown can save up to 12,9 % extra energy in the peak load scenario
- Extra waiting time is not necessary if load forecasting is used



Thank you for your attention! Any Questions?

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Backup



Cloud ?

 Smallest dedicated hardware instance at Amazon (Linux on m4.large Dedicated) costs
 5747 USD for on month (50 % utilization)



Consumtion in Watt/s





EC

Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 1	×	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 1	
Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 0	+	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 0	ж
Optimaler Verbrauch		-	





FRT

Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 1	×	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 1	
Seq. Abs. auto, Warten 0	+	Seq. Abs. 1, Warten 0	ж





PSC



