Energy-Aware Scheduling at LRZ

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Motivation and History

• Electricity in Germany is expensive (~0.18€/kWh)
• Single budget for hardware procurement and energy for 6 years of operation
• Goal: saving energy without hurting performance

Energy-Aware Scheduling (EAS) on SuperMUC:
• Joint development with IBM for Load Leveler
• Based on user-provided “energy tags” to identify applications/work loads
• Characterization of application on first run based on HW performance counters
• Proxy applications to determine optimal frequency for lowest energy-to-solution
Future Plans

SuperMUC-NG
- Deployment in Q4/2018
- Intel Skylake, 6480 nodes, 96GB RAM, Omnipath
- 26.9PF
- #8 Top500 11/2018

- Retain and improve EAS capabilities
  - Run memory-bound codes at lower clock rates, compute-bound at maximum clock rate
  - Allow for multiple program regions with different characteristics
  - Avoid user interaction

- Deploy DataCenter DataBase (DCDB) system-wide high-frequency monitoring

- Use historical application runs to influence job scheduling:
  - Schedule “hot” jobs on adsorption chiller islands
  - Balance applications temporally and spatially