

# What makes a good metric?

- Simple, measurable, actionable.
  - Tied to an objective and links with a clear goal.
  - It matters.
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- Metrics are indicators to be used as part of a continual improvement process.

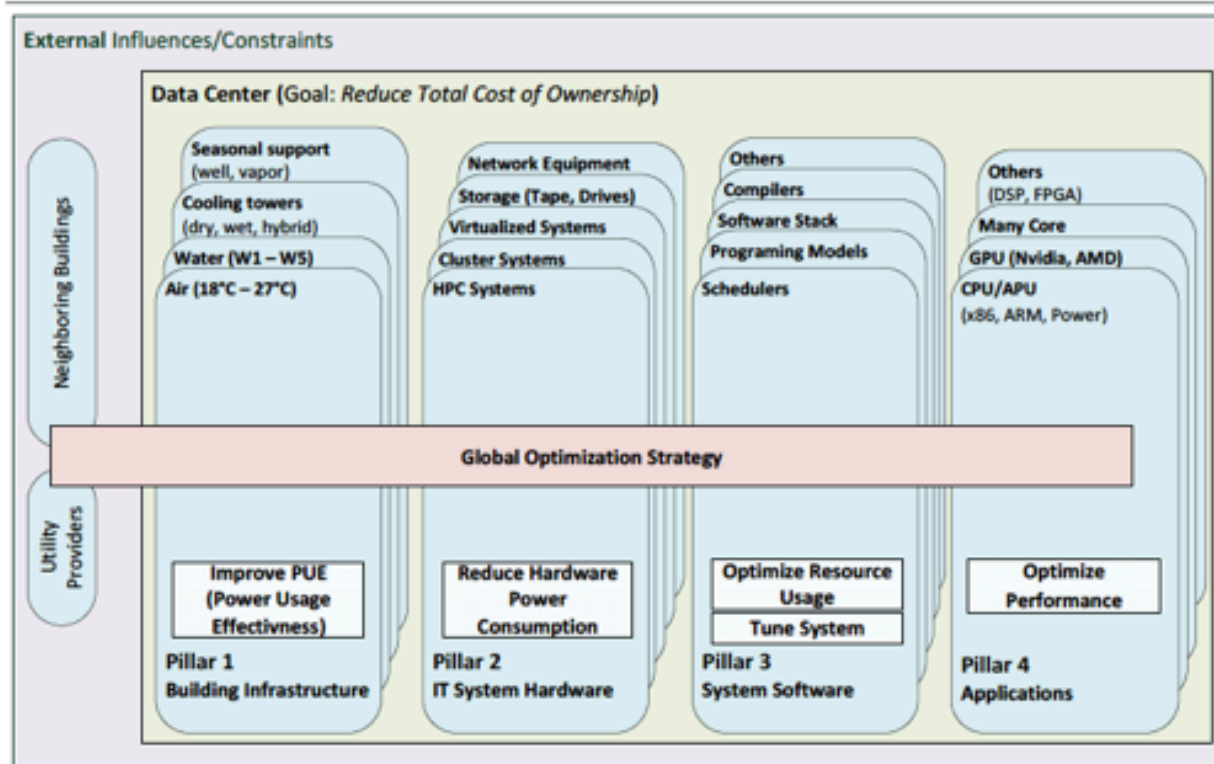
Energy efficiency improvements.  
No silver bullet...



... lots of silver BBs.

# Four pillar framework

State Of The Art HPC Data Centers Are “Complicated”



- Need to understand each pillar
- Optimize and measure (KPIs) for each
- Need global approach for optimal results
  - includes utility provider
  - define operating points
  - keep infrastructure efficiency constant over the whole operating range
  - measure and assess

# No single metric,

- Identify and prioritize HPC center energy parameters for dashboards
- Identify potential stakeholder(s) for each of the energy parameters
- Document recommendations to assist the HPC community to choose the parameters they want to monitor and manage

... but a list to choose from.

# The list is stakeholder dependent

- Director – Responsible for the overall center's activity
- Facility Manager – Primarily responsible for the physical infrastructure
- Information Technology Manager – Primarily responsible for the information technologies (hardware & software) in the data center

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# Facility manager's items

Item	Primary Information	Unit
1	Total power/energy	kW & kWh
2	IT Power /energy	kW & kWh
3	Power Usage Effectiveness -Power	Index
4	Power Usage Effectiveness- Energy	Index
5	Cooling Efficiency	kW/ton
6	Cooling Energy Use	kWh
7	Data center IT equipment cooling diagram	degF/C
8	Temperature (map)	degF/C
9	UPS input / output power /Energy	kW & kWh
10	Data center electrical distribution diagram	
11	CRAC/CRAH/AHU RAT (avg, min, max)	degF/C
12	CRAC/CRAH/AHU SAT (avg, min, max)	degF/C

# Systems manager's items

Item	Primary Information	Unit
1	Energy Cost per data processing unit	\$/unit
2	Total power/energy	kW & kWh
3	IT Power /energy	kW & kWh
4	Average IT utilization-Compute System	Percent
5	Power Usage Effectiveness – Power	Index
6	Power Usage Effectiveness- Energy	Index
7	IT efficiency <sup>a</sup>	Work output/W*
8	Data center IT equipment cooling diagram	degF/C

<sup>a</sup> Depends on how each HPC center defines its work output

# Director's items

Item	Primary Information	Unit
1	Total power & energy	kW & kWh
2	Energy cost	\$
3	Average IT utilization- Compute System	Percent
4	Power Usage Effectiveness –Power	Index
5	Power Usage Effectiveness- Energy	Index
6	IT efficiency <sup>a</sup>	Work output/Watt

<sup>a</sup> Depends on how each HPC center defines its work output



# It is time to update these lists

- Please complete the survey and give us your input

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- Thank you!
- Questions?

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