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Software Evolution — From green and greener to greenest application

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Green software, green IT

Goals: Save energy by more efficient hardware Save energy by optimised/custom software Save energy by location of hardware To make it really green: Develop new working hardware Develop energy efficient working software Teach users to save energy when using the software Make sure the used energy is also green

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Measuring energy consumption

Incl. improvements

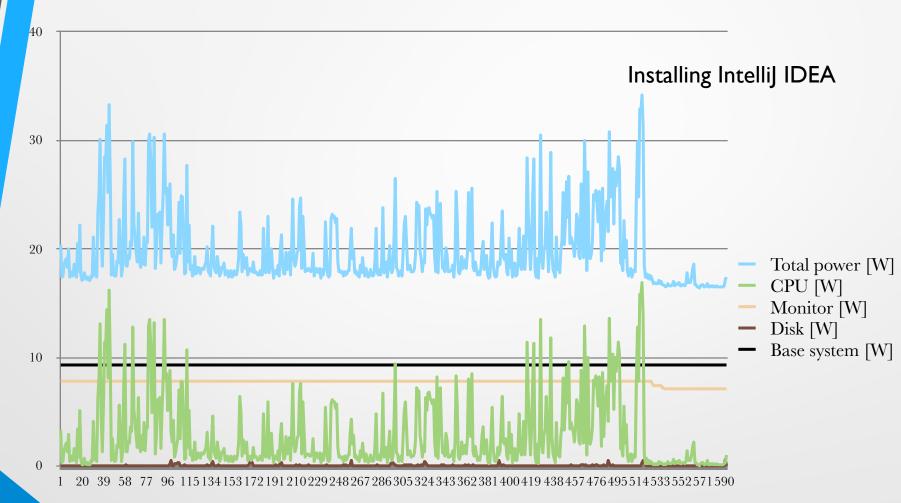
System level
Application level
Component level
Code level



System level measurement

SW-to-SW/HW solutions (servers, IoT) Uptime/availability prediction Providing a different evaluation perspective

Application level measurement



Component level measurement

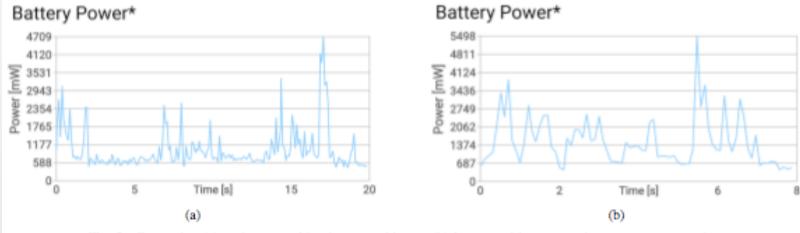
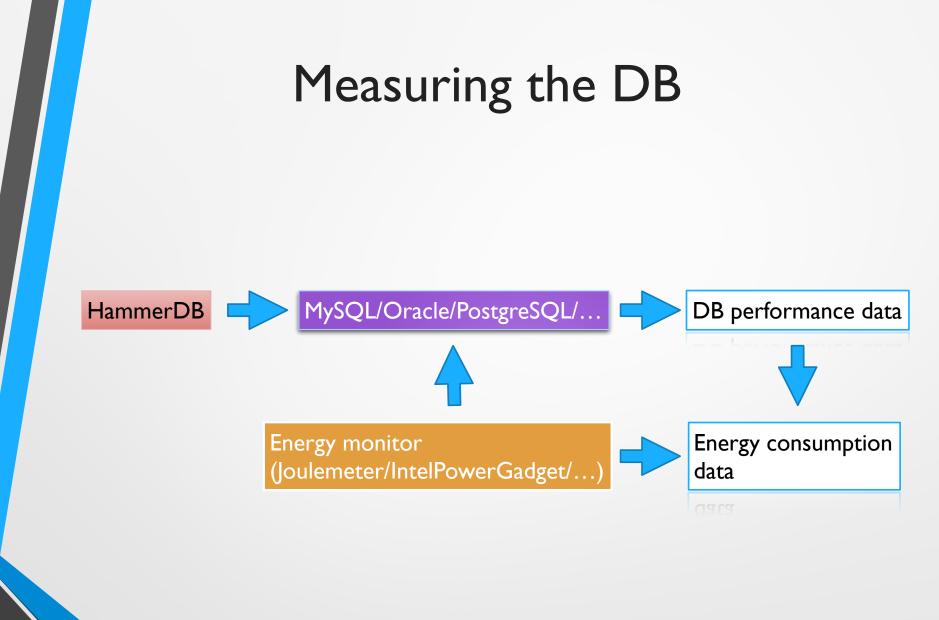


Fig. 5. Comparing (a) no image caching image caching vs (b) image caching concerning energy consumption

Test oracles Comparing different versions The driver of energy (r)evolution



sync_binlog - energy optimisation example

sync_binlog	CPU energy (W)	HammerDB (trans/min)	trans/min/W
0	8,03	5039	627,66
l	8,03	2877	358,46
5	7,71	4057	526,12
10	7,73	4511	583,48

Code level measurement

Which version of an algorithm is consuming less energy?

Is it more efficient to store objects in an array than in a list?

How significantly does the length of execution impact on the energy consumption?

Applying testing frameworks



Boolean vs. boolean (billion times)

Туре		AVG CPU NRG (W)			Test count
boolean	0,49900	6,31915	0,00087	n/a	10000
Boolean	0,49879	6,26819	0,00071	n/a	10000

```
Data types boolean vs Boolean
boolean g = false;
for (long i = 0 ; i<100000000;i++){
    g = true;
}
Boolean h = false;
for (long i = 0 ; i<100000000;i++){
    h = true;
}
```

Double vs. double (billion times)

Туре		AVG CPU NRG (W)			Test count
double	1,01489	6,18481	0,00096	n/a	9643
Double	5,66532	7,41853	0,01001	n/a	9294

```
sorting.bubbleSort();
sorting.selectionSort();
sorting.insertionSort();
sorting.quickSort();
sorting.mergeSort();
sorting.heapSort();
```

```
STRING CREATOR - StringBuilder vs. StringBuffer
StringBuilder test = new StringBuilder();
for(long i=0;i<=20000000;i++) { //100M Java heap space
        test.append(i);
}
StringBuffer stringBuffer = new StringBuffer();
for(int i=0;i<=20000000;i++) {
        stringBuffer.append(i);
}
STRING CREATOR -- += vs. concat
String testString = "";
for(long i=0;i<=50000;i++){
        testString = testString.concat(String.value0f(i));
        testString += String.value0f(i);
}</pre>
```

```
TreeMap vs HashMap vs LinkedHashMap 10;
TreeMap<Integer, Integer> treeMap = new TreeMap<();
HashMap<Integer, Integer> hashMap = new HashMap<();
LinkedHashMap<Integer, Integer> linkedHashMap = new LinkedHashMap<();
for (int i = 0; i < 5000000; i++) {
    treeMap.put(i, v: i + 1);
    linkedHashMap.put(i, v: i + 1);
    hashMap.put(i, v: i + 1);
}
```

Hashing algorithms — Which one?

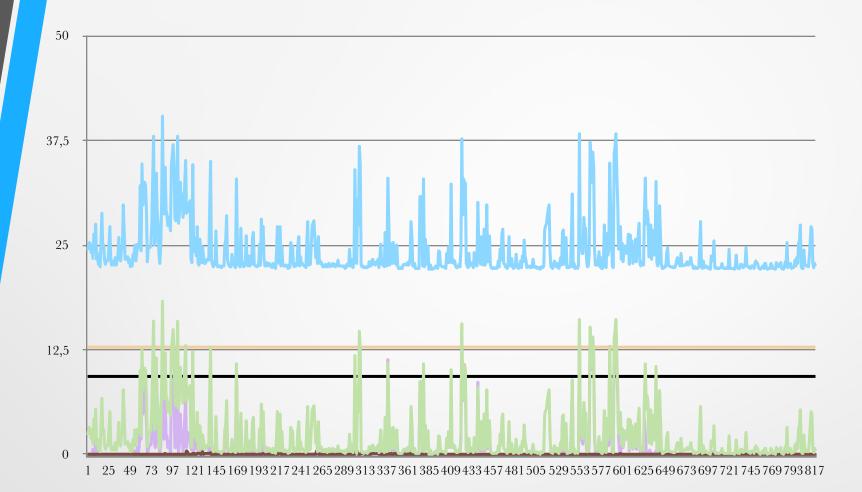
Туре	AVG exec (s)		AVG RAM NRG (W)		Test count
MD5	0,70915	6,08208	0,02763	n/a	9997
SHA-I	0,92689	5,40548	0,03961	0,00046	9964
SHA-256	1,44644	5,46093	0,06166	0,44541	9997
SHA-384	1,01102	5,80849	0,04340	1,54517	9998
SHA-512	1,01143	5,67845	0,04380	0,00054	9996

Scaling up

Usual energy efficiency measurement focuses on software or hardware products. >But, in our case we will measure the development (host) system's energy efficiency using a black-box testing method. We start the measurement before starting the browser and the IDE and we will stop measuring after closing all used tools.

During development it is normal to compile and run an application many times and use other design and testing tools as well, which will have an effect on energy consumption. The goal of our measurements is to point out this energy.

Process level measurement



- Total power [W]
- CPU [W]
- Monitor [W]
- Disk [W]
- Base system [W]

– IDE [W]

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The energymeasured development game

- I. Setup the environment
- 2. Start the energy monitor
- 3. Develop (think, code, test, fix) for 15 minutes
- 4. Have a 5 minutes break (stop energy usage monitoring, set up the next one, get a coffee)
- 5. Finish (for this time) if there is no further idea
- 6. Repeat (jump to label 2)
- 7. Analyse collected data (energy efficiency of your development process) inside the team





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