

Green Software Engineering

Building energy measurement tools and ecosystems around software

 **GREEN CODING;**

Imagine ...

A world where energy is a first order metric ...



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And you could make informed choices about energy



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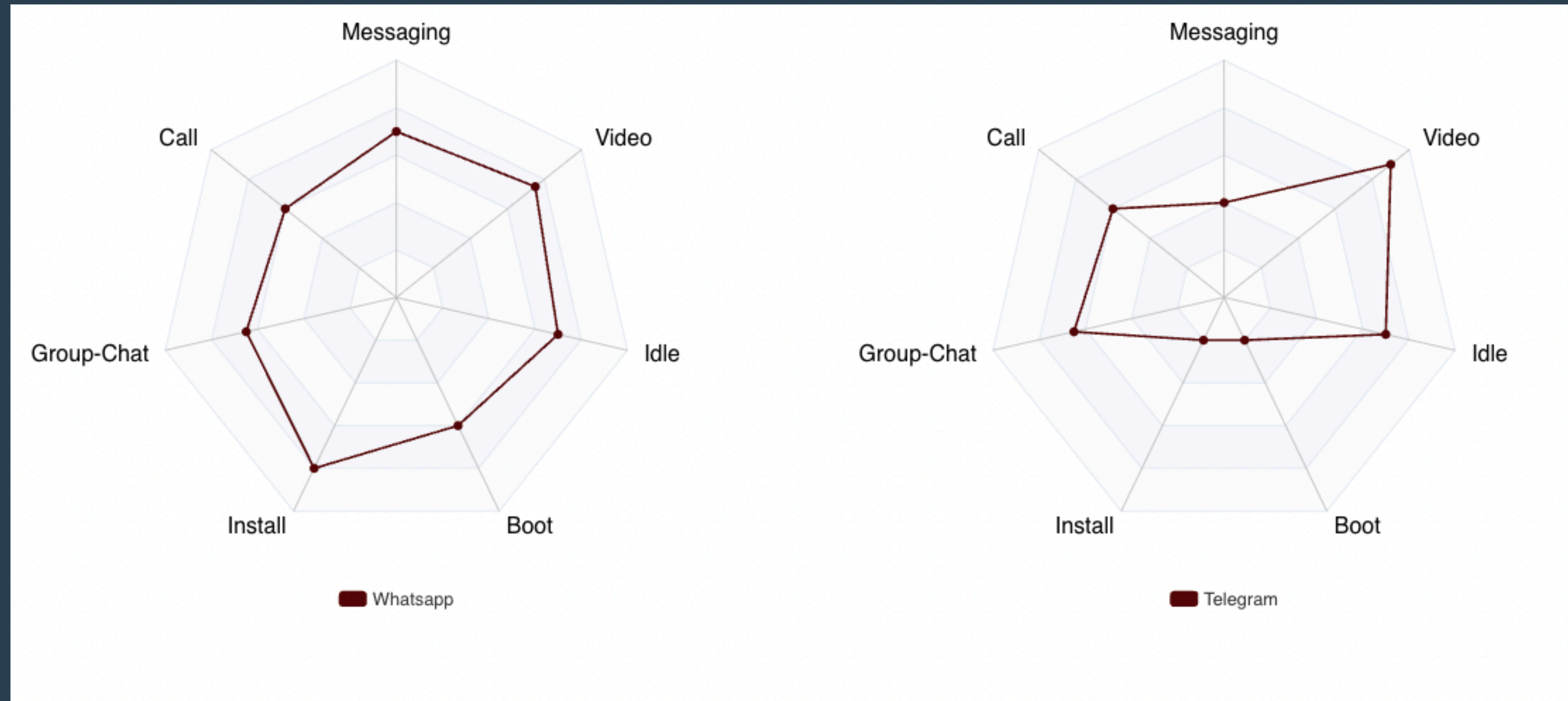
Ubuntu Desktop Edition

1. 2 GHz dual core processor
2. 4 GiB RAM (system memory)
3. 25 GB (8.6 GB for minimal) of hard-drive space (or USB stick, memory card or external)
4. VGA capable of 1024x768 screen resolution
5. Either a CD/DVD drive or a USB port for the installer media
6. **Internet access** is helpful
7. Power (idle): 20 W (Energy Star reference System X2023.01.ss)
8. Power (Desktop activity): 35 W (Energy Star reference System X2023.01.ss)

Imagine ...

You could compare software energy consumption easily ...

No actual data! Concept picture!



Energy consumption of Whatsapp vs. Telegram - per usage scenario

Imagine (as a developer :))....

Every repository would have an energy badge ...

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for 'example-applications / stress /'. At the top, there are navigation buttons: 'main', 'Go to file', 'Add file', and a menu icon. Below this, a commit by 'ArneTR' is shown, titled 'OpenEnergyBadge for Stress', dated 'yesterday'. The commit message is '..'. The commit includes two files: 'README.md' (dated 'yesterday') and 'usage_scenario.yml' (dated 'last week'). The 'README.md' file is expanded, showing the following content:

This is an example on how to run `stress-ng` in our tool and see how the CPU behaves. This example stresses one core for 5 seconds.

OpenEnergyBadge

These badges show the energy cost for running this code on a single machine.

• Energy cost 210.93 J via ml-estimated

We try to build these tools

<https://www.green-coding.berlin/#projects>

We build open source tools

To empower developers and users to make energy and carbon conscious decisions

OUR PROJECTS

Here is a selection of our open-source projects we develop to measure and reduce the energy consumption of software:



Green Metrics Tool



Eco CI



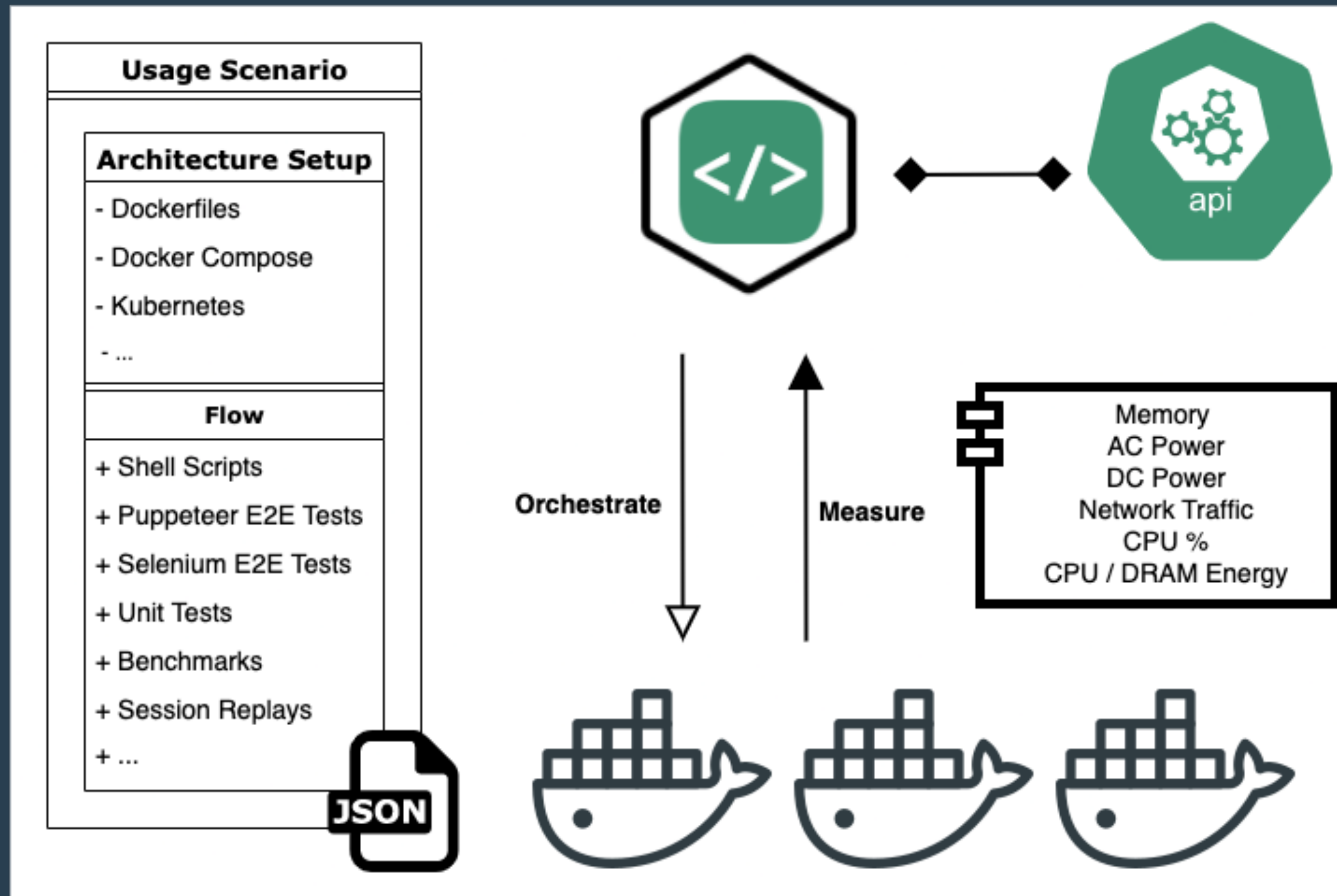
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Cloud Energy

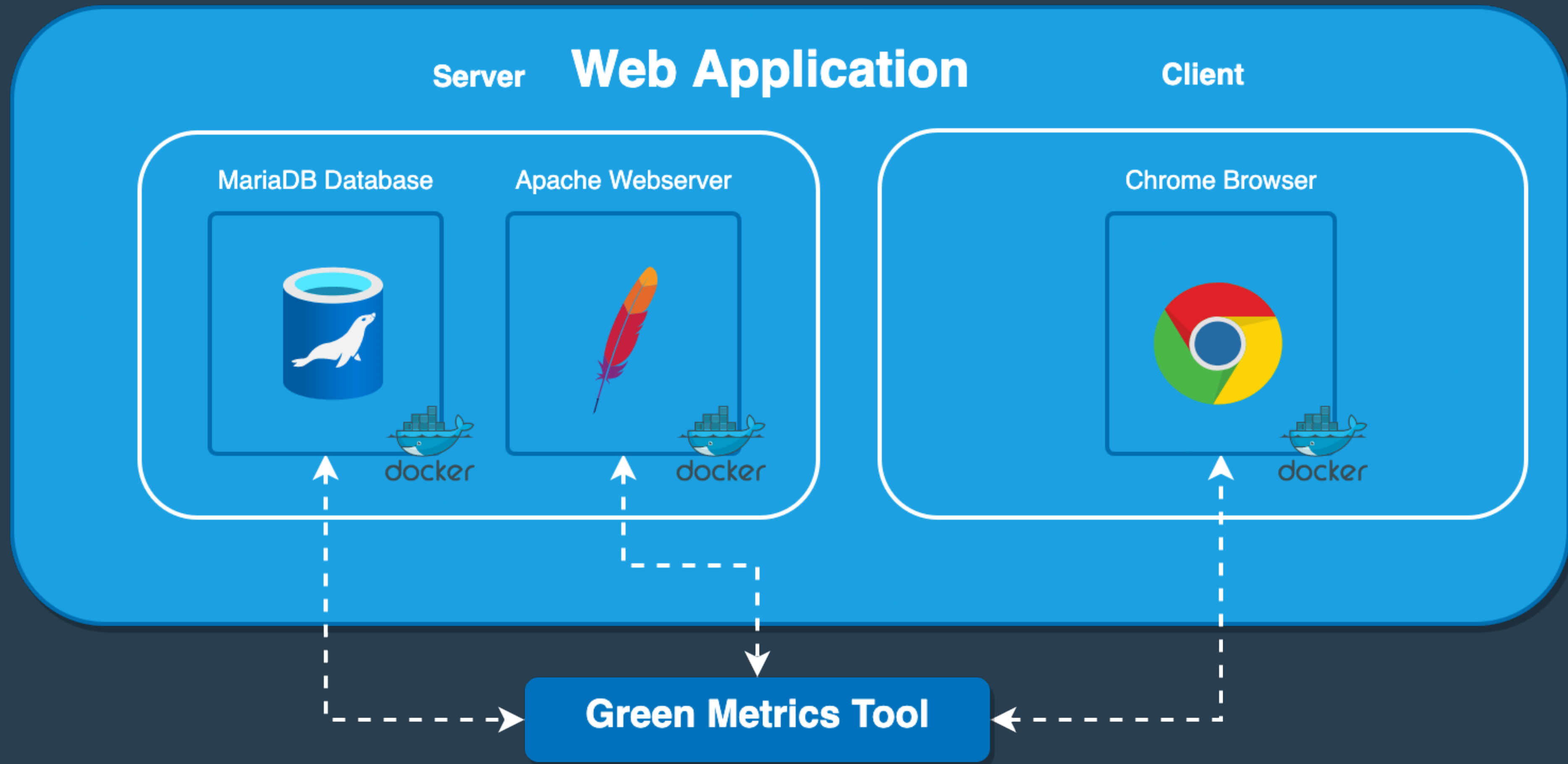
Data Flow in Framework

Ingesting standard infrastructure files. Output as POSIX stream



Concepts of the Green Metrics Tool

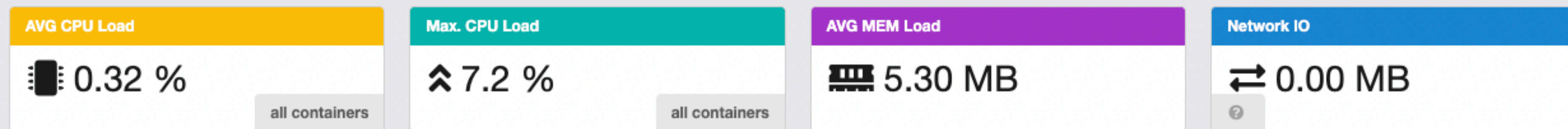
Adoption of container approach. Every functionality is a container



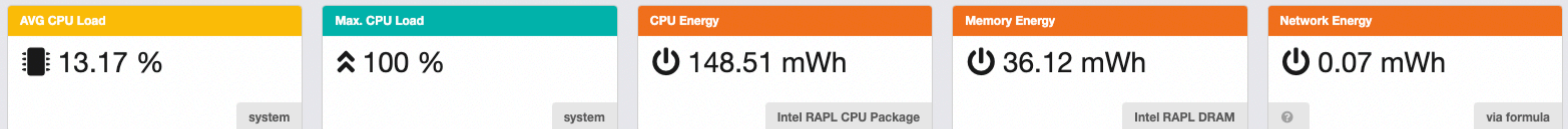
What the output looks like

Container, System and compound metrics

container level metrics



system level metrics



compound metrics



All reporters are modular and stand-alone

Network, DC, AC, Memory, CPU, Energy etc.

Project Data

General

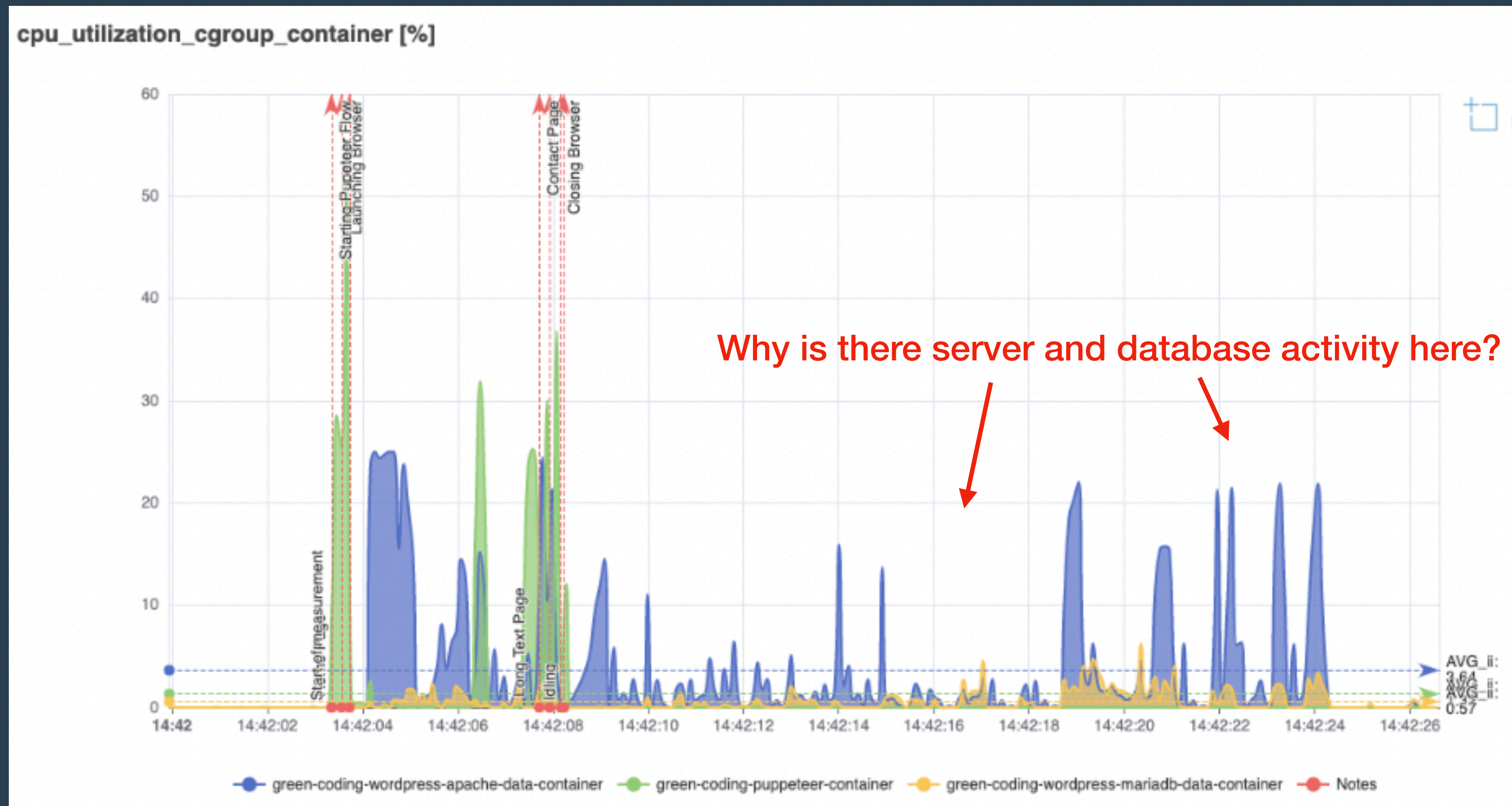
Measurement

Machine

usage_scenario

idle-time-end	5
idle-time-start	5
psu.energy.ac.system.provider.PsuEnergyAcSystemProvider	100
cpu.energy.RAPL.MSR.system.provider.CpuEnergyRapIMsrSystemProvider	100
network.io.cgroup.container.provider.NetworkIoCgroupContainerProvider	100
memory.energy.RAPL.MSR.system.provider.MemoryEnergyRapIMsrSystemProvider	100
cpu.utilization.procfs.system.provider.CpuUtilizationProcfsSystemProvider	100
memory.total.cgroup.container.provider.MemoryTotalCgroupContainerProvider	100
cpu.utilization.cgroup.container.provider.CpuUtilizationCgroupContainerProvider	100
flow-process-runtime	600

Idle time optimizations in web applications



Energy anomalies in Machine Learning

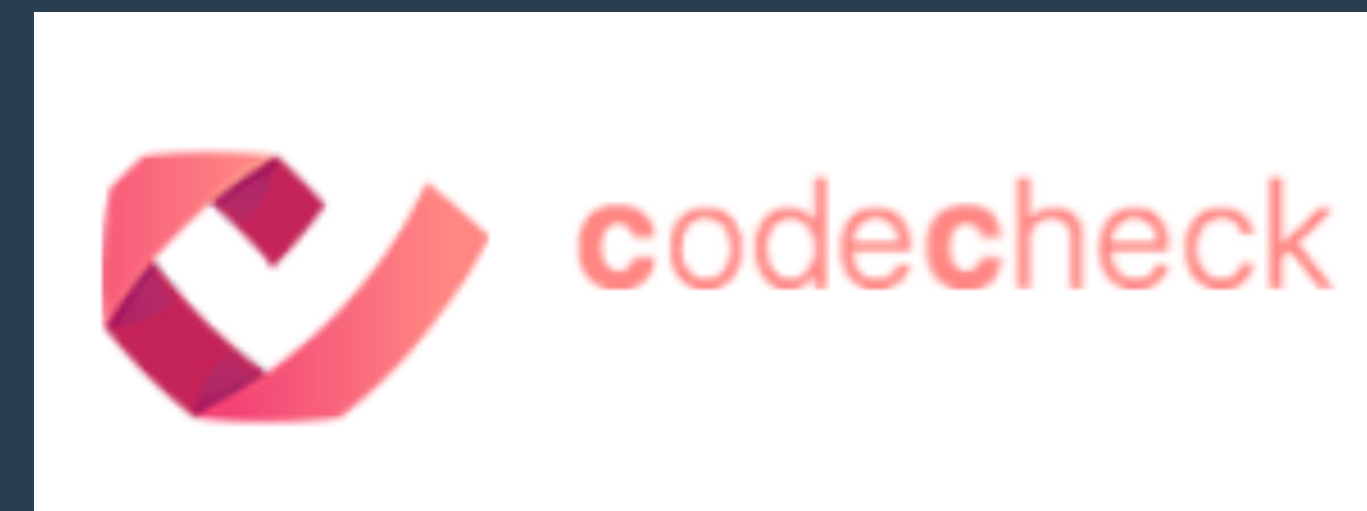
Energy anomalies through TurboBoost and Overheating



Open Data & Transparency for software CO2

Think of it as the "Yuka" / "Codecheck" of Software

- Whenever you want to install a new software you check the Green Coding website first:
 - How much does this software consume?
 - Is there a more carbon friendly alternative?
 - Is there a software that makes less network requests?



Let me show you our other tools

That we believe are needed to build ecosystems around green software

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Wrapping up

Why are we creating these open source tools?

- Measuring software energy consumption is still too hard.
 - Goal: Easy as starting a docker container and happen transparently
- Measuring software is complex
 - Best practices and system configuration should be automatically applied
- Just in-line measuring or benchmarking is too arbitrary
 - The software must be measured against a "standard usage case"

Wrapping up #2

Why are we creating these open source tools?

- A software must be comparable to another, similar, software in terms of energy
- Energy metrics must also be available in restricted environments like the cloud
- Energy must be transparent and a first order metric in developing and using software

Thank you!
Time for questions!!

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