

# Data Centers: High Performance Computing and Artificial Intelligence

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# Learning Objectives



1. What are the data center facility impacts (A/MEP) associated with HPC/AI?
2. How can I optimize the data center energy efficiency in deploying HPC/AI?
3. What are specific data center facility infrastructure solutions for HPC/AI?
4. What are the trends associated with planning and managing HPC/AI?



# Agenda



***Section I:***     ***The Data Center High Performance Compute (HPC) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Challenges and Solutions – 2024***

***Section II:***    ***The Overall Data Center “19 Elements” and the Compatibility of HPC/AI***

***Section III:***   ***The Current Data Center Activities Surrounding HPC/AI***

***Section IV:***    ***The 2024 Results of HPC/AI Deployments***

***Section V:***     ***Conclusion***

***Section IV:***    ***Questions and Answers***

## *Section I:*

# *Data Center High Performance Compute (HPC) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Challenges and Solutions - 2024*





## *Section I: The Data Center High Performance Compute (HPC) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Challenges and Solutions – 2024*

- 1) The increased use of technologies including the internet of things (IoT), artificial intelligence (AI), and machine learning (ML) have created a large demand for processing massive amounts of data at a faster rate. The result is high performance compute clusters being deployed to solve the problem.
- 2) The HPC/AI “power density per cabinet” are ranging from 30 – 90+ kW and are scalable.
- 3) The HPC/AI solution of:
  - ✓ *Compute*
  - ✓ *Network*
  - ✓ *Storage*



typically do not have the same data center facility infrastructure reliability (N+1 / 2N) as the Tier I production environment.

# *Section I: The Data Center High Performance Compute (HPC) and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Challenges and Solutions – 2024*

4) HPC/AI users transcend most all industries:

*Research*

*Energy*

*Aerospace*

*Weather*

*Automotive*

*Pharmaceuticals*

*Real Estate*

*Medical (i.e. Watson)*

*Government*

*Retail*

*Banking/Financial*

*Traffic*

*Marketing/Predictive Analytics*

*Military*





## *Section II:*

# *The Overall Data Center “19 Elements” and the Compatibility of HPC/AI*

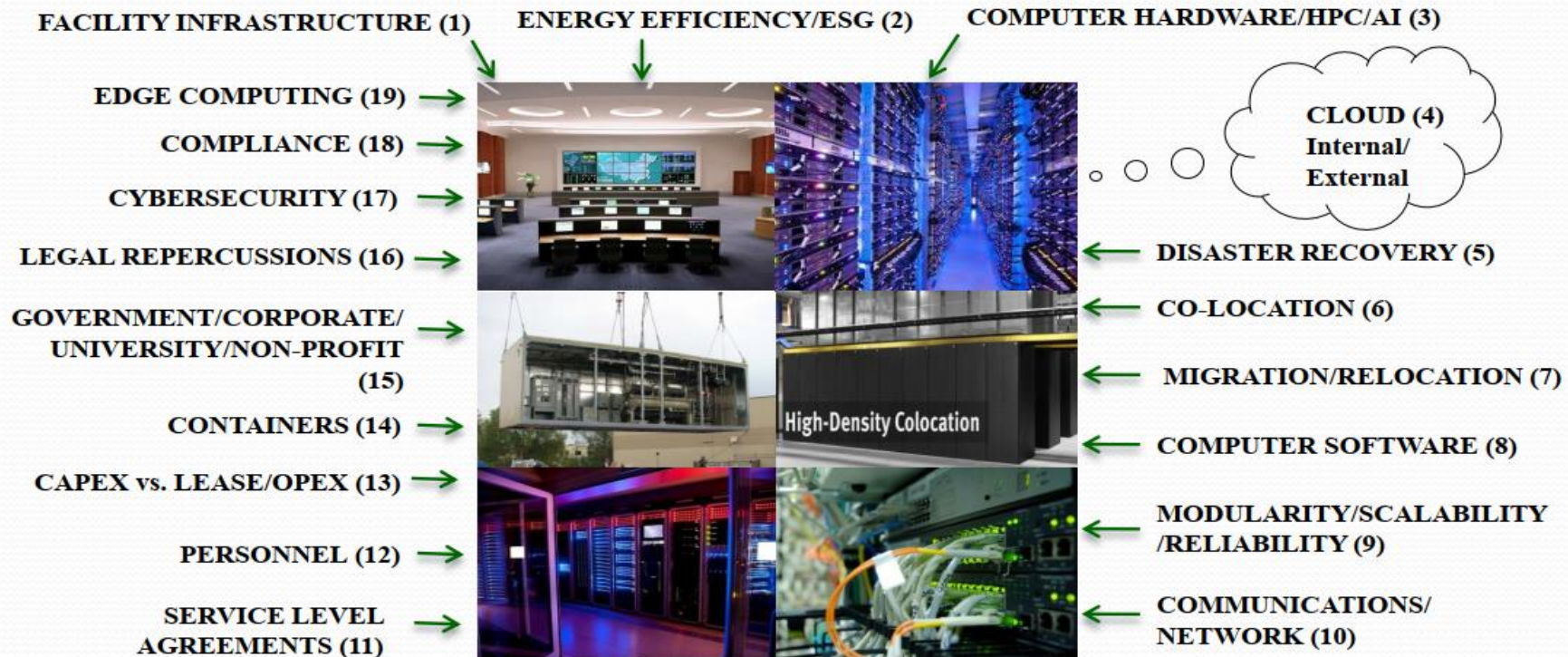




## Section II: The Overall Data Center “19 Elements” and the Compatibility of HPC/AI

### Elements of a Successful Data Center Project Data Center “Hybrid” Design/Build Solutions

#### The Hybrid “2024 Transformation” Efficient Data Center Elements



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## *Section II: The Overall Data Center “19 Elements” and the Compatibility of HPC/AI*

- ✓ *Disparate Facility Infrastructure Reliability of HPC /AI (N) vs. Production Environment (N+1 / 2N / Uptime Tier III/IV).*
- ✓ *HPC/AI Modular/Scalable Rack Densities From 30 to 90+ kW*
- ✓ *Separate HPC/AI Facility From Production Environment?*



## *Section III:*

# *The Current Data Center Activities Surrounding HPC/AI*



## *Section III: The Current Data Center Activities Surrounding HPC/AI*

- 1) Understand the end user client short/long term high performance compute (HPC)/artificial intelligence (AI) mission and the corresponding rack/kW load densities.
- 2) Understand the end user client compute short/long term “uptime” requirements associated with the HPC/AI deployment. Specifically delineate between:
  - ❖ *Front End Nodes*
  - ❖ *General Processing*
- 3) Translate the HPC/AI short/long term “kW per rack vertical demand” to understand the immediate vs. long term electrical/mechanical impact to the data center raised floor space.



## *Section III: The Current Data Center Activities Surrounding HPC/AI*

- 4) Identify the short/long term mechanical/thermodynamic impact options of HPC/AI including:
  - a. Containment*
  - b. Rear Door Heat Exchangers*
  - c. In-Row Cooling*
  - d. To the Chip Cooling/Immersion Cooling*
- 5) Confirm compute hardware manufacturer warranties associated with the chip cooling/immersion cooling.
- 6) Develop a short/long term data center facility A/MEP modular strategy to scale with HPC/AI.
- 7) The initial cost of deployment vs. return on investment.  
***CRITICAL!!***



## *Section IV:*

# *The 2024 Results of HPC/AI Deployments*





## *Section IV: The 2024 Results of HPC/AI Deployments*

- 1) Tremendous speed of processing results. What took weeks/months of processing application data can be decreased within hours/days.
- 2) Data center facility improvements are designed/deployed to accommodate a modular/scalable/flexible/reliable “HPC/AI” deployment.
- 3) Many end user HPC/AI applications do not require tier III/IV A/MEP superstructures. See end user support.
- 4) Large data center real estate consolidation results realized by deployment of “HPC/AI” loads from legacy less dense loads.
- 5) HPC/AI is delivering real time data to the client community results in increased profits, market share, revenue, and marketing visibility.



## *Section IV: The 2024 Results of HPC/AI Deployments*

- 6) HPC/AI is being designed from a mechanical standpoint to operate in higher inlet (°f) temperatures.
- 7) Most all compute manufacturers continue to deploy HPC/AI now and in the future based on ROI.
- 8) 2024 HPC deployments at BRUNS-PAK up to 100kW per cabinet.
- 9) Survey of CIO industry leaders found that 75% believe if their business does not address AI/HPC by 2025, they face bankruptcy.
- 10) OPTION: Retrofit/renovate/upgrade legacy data centers to meet HPC/AI objectives vs. modular vs. new.
- 11) HPC/AI expected to double data center power usage in the next three years.



# *Section V:*

## *Conclusion*



## *Section V: Conclusion*

- ✓ HPC/AI deployments are growing at an expedient level.
- ✓ The growth of HPC/AI is based on the increased use of technologies like internet of things (IoT), machine learning (ML), and now quantum computing.
- ✓ The initial rates of return of “properly deployed” HPC/AI is reporting less than three (3) years.
- ✓ The industries served by HPC/AI are exploding.
- ✓ Compute manufacturers including IBM, Dell, HPE, and Lenovo will continue to develop high powered compute racks.
- ✓ Cloud/colocation/EDGE/container/enterprise data centers continue to evolve to address the optimal solutions.





## *Section VI:*

### *Questions and Answers*





## *Section VI: Questions and Answers*

### *Questions and Answer Session*





# THANK YOU!

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