Environmental Impact of Digital Products

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20+ yrs in IT
Developer - Scrum Master - Transformation Agent - Tech Incubator

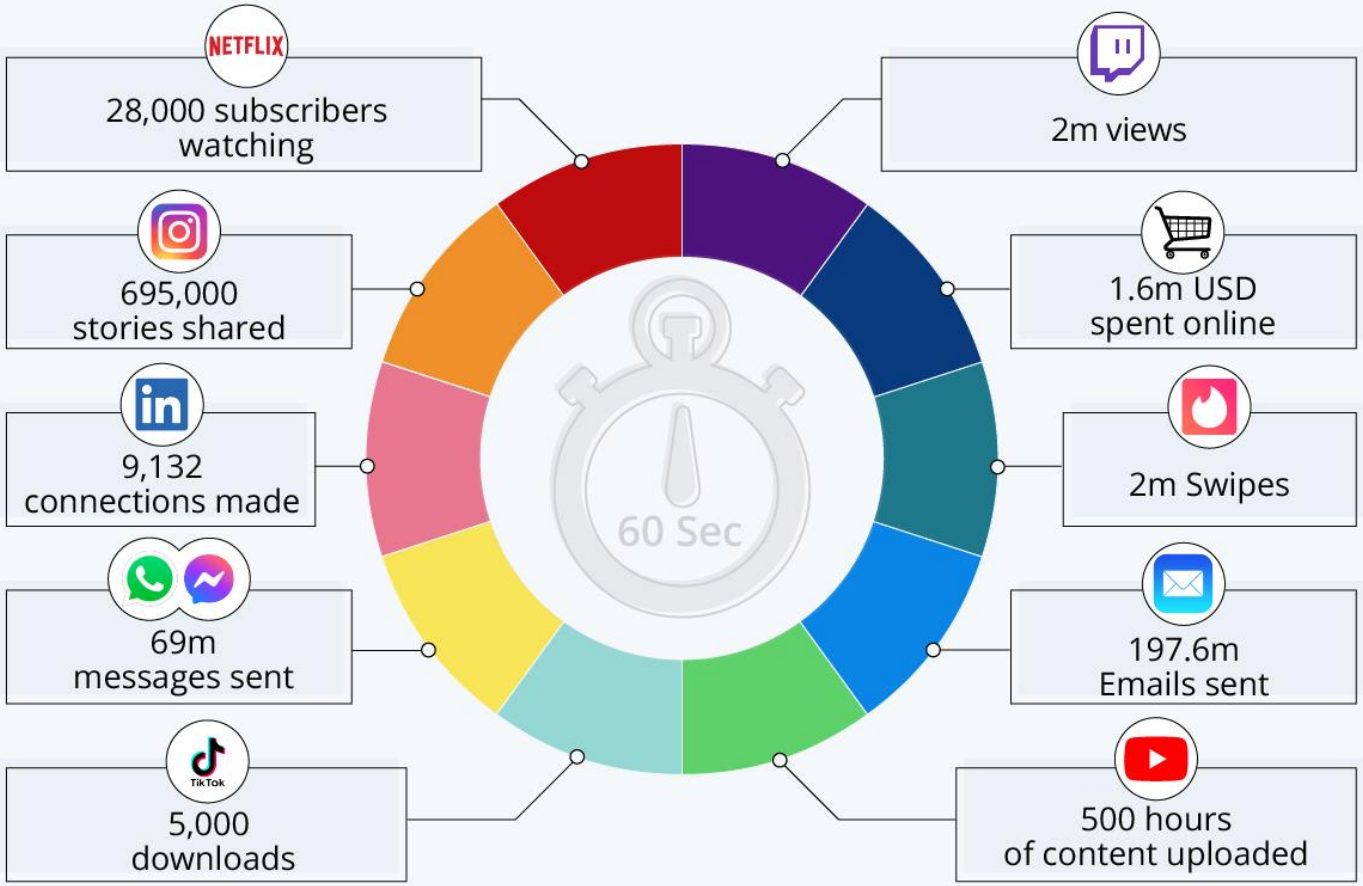

Tele medicine


E-payments


Education

A Minute on the Internet in 2021

Estimated amount of data created on the internet in one minute



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Digital Jury


3D PRINTED
ARTIFICIAL ORGANS


Digital Clothes


To meet this change
enterprises need to invest in supporting the digital paradigm

202x truly a “TechDecade”

Global spending

on digital transformation will reach **$6.8 trillion** by 2023 equivalent to GDP of 2 continents

– IDC

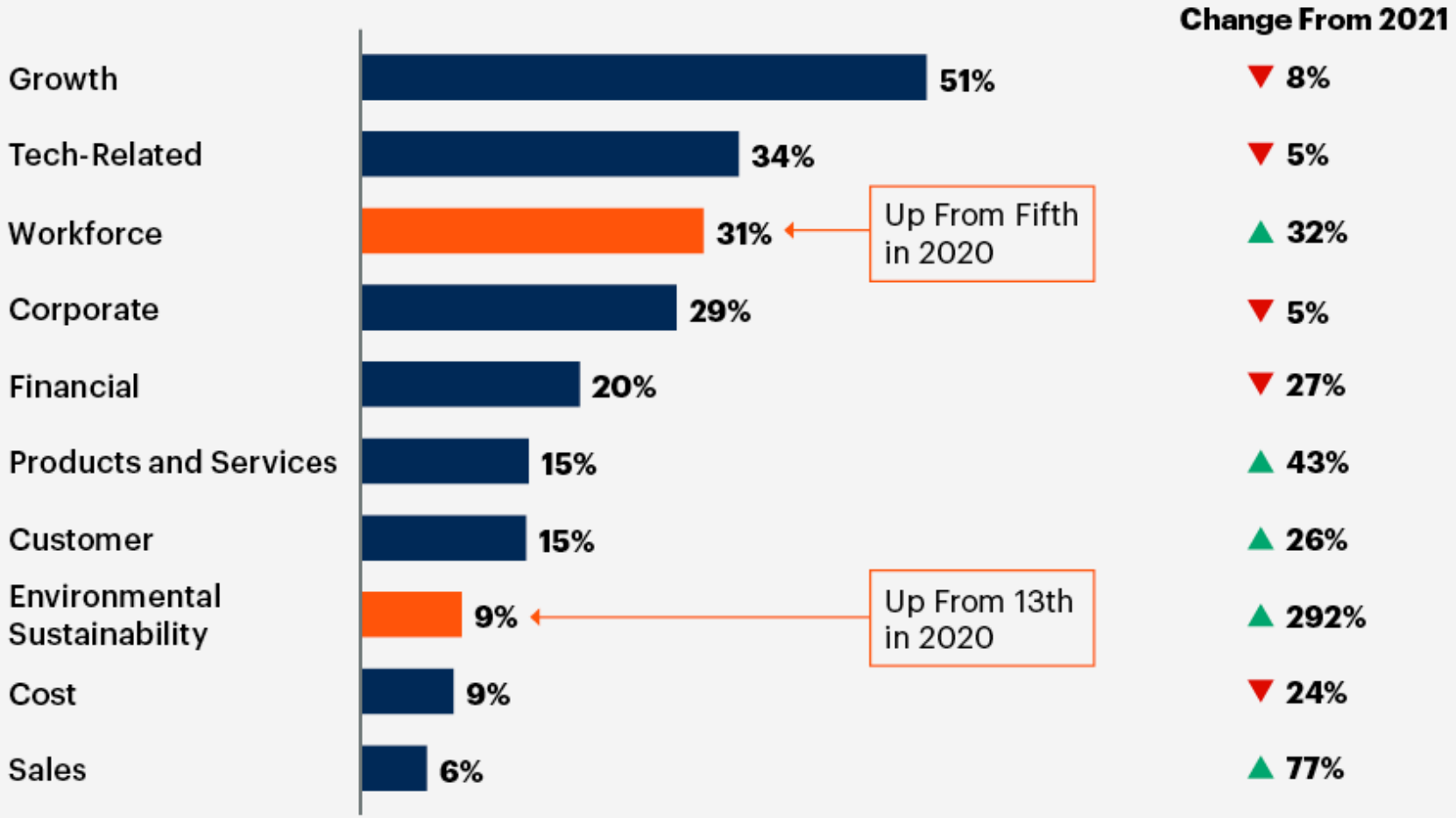

While we are
doing all this
are we doing it
responsibly?

The Paris Agreement is a legally binding international treaty on climate change.

It was adopted by 196 Parties in Paris, on 12 December 2015 and entered into force on 4 November 2016.

CEOs' Top 10 Strategic Business Priority Areas for 2022-2023

Summary Top Three Mentions, Coded Responses



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SCOPE 1

Direct Emissions

Owned Assets

- Facilities
- Equipment
- Vehicles
- Onsite landfills

SCOPE 2

Indirect Emissions

Energy Purchased

- Purchased electricity
- Purchased heating
- Purchased cooling

SCOPE 3

All Other Indirect Emissions

3rd Party

- Transportation
- Distribution
- Waste
- Energy and fuel
- Leased assets
- Travel

Hardware Emissions

- These are the emissions due to the servers, data storage, sensors and devices

Software package Emissions

- These are the emissions due to how software is developed and used

Is it true? The way software is designed affects the carbon emissions?

Let’s See an Example

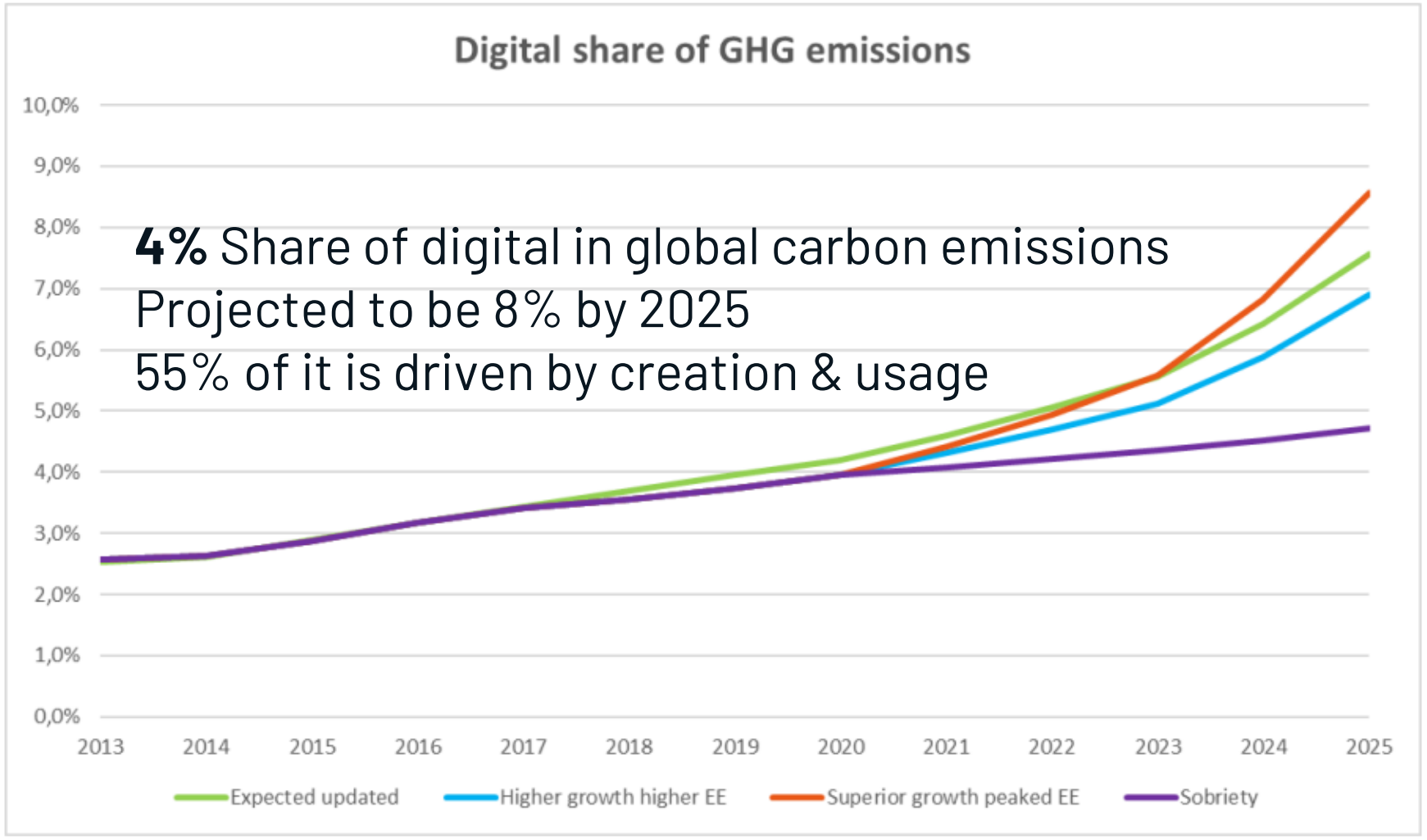
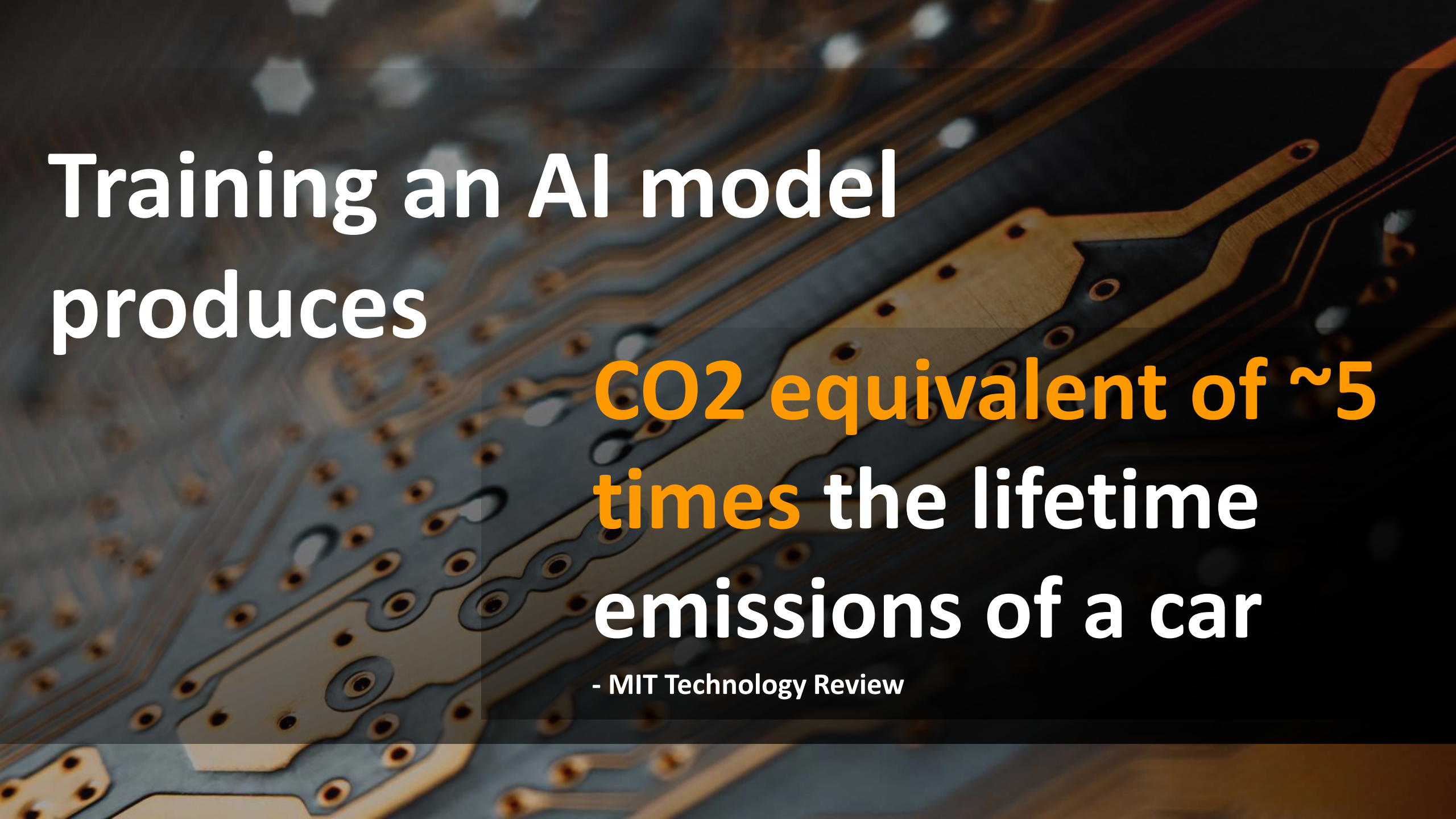


Figure 3: Evolution 2013-2025 of the share of digital technology in GHG emissions. The share of digital technology in GHG emissions.
[Source: [Lean ICT Materials] Forecast Model. Produced by The Shift Project from data published by (Andrae & Edler, 2015)


A program written in
Python consumes
75.88 times more energy
than a program written in C
- University Research in Portugal


Training an AI model produces
CO2 equivalent of ~5 times the lifetime emissions of a car
- MIT Technology Review

Bitcoin's annual electricity consumption is more than three times that of New Zealand

- Energetics.au


How many trees to be planted per year to offset effects of data generated in US?

Carbon offsetting is not enough

There is a pressing need to

relook at software engineering practices

to curb the overall carbon footprint.


Review
~~Recycle~~
Reduce
Reuse

Start by asking these 5 questions

1. Do we really need these features?
2. Can we remove the low priority ones?
3. Is similar feature available else where?
4. Can I share the developed feature with others?
5. Do we really need the software “Always ON”?

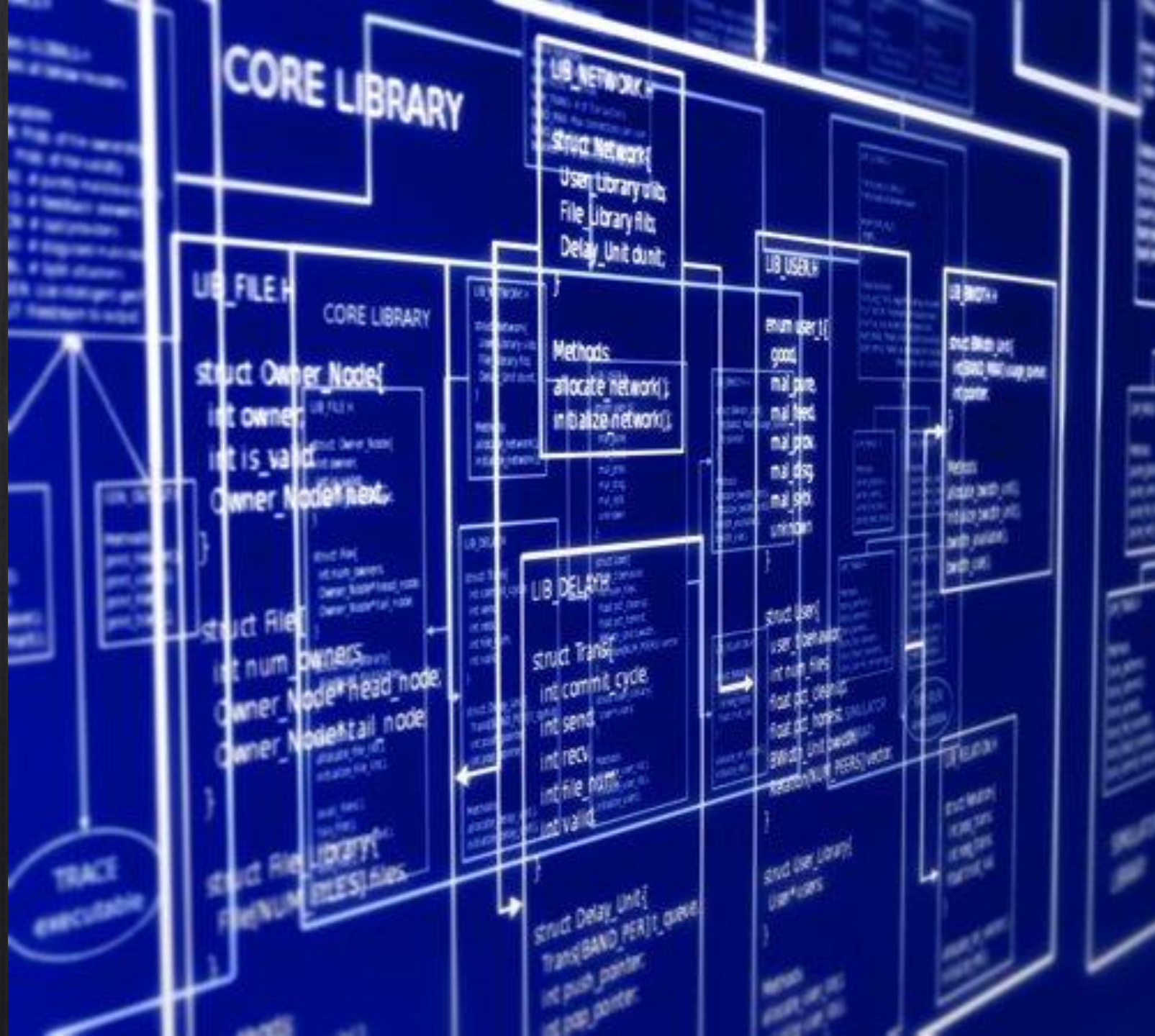
And then follow Green Software practices

1. Move to Cloud

Opting for a cloud server which is based 100% on green energy instead of an on-premise server that is powered by non-green energy can reduce carbon emission by up to 70%

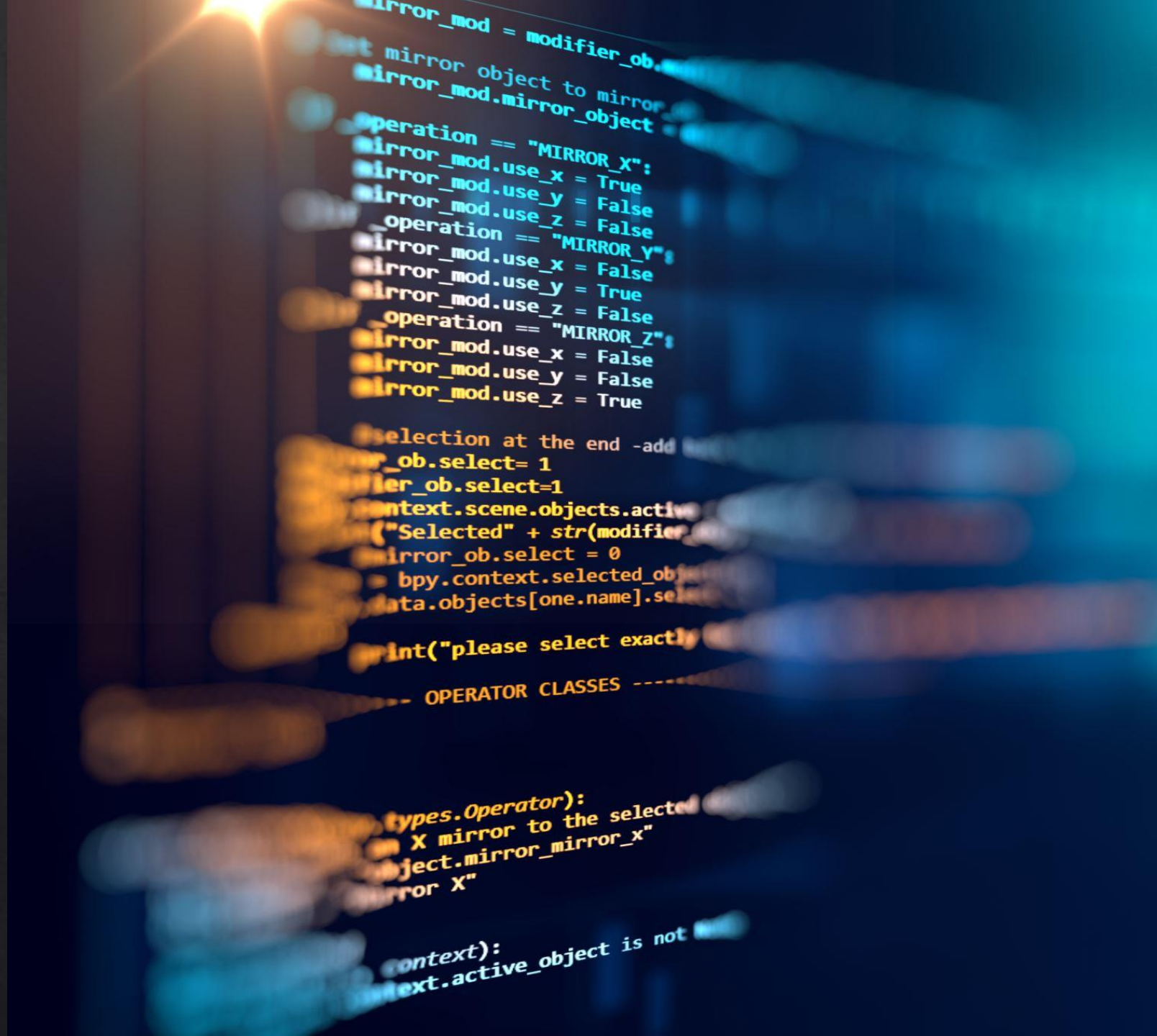
2. Change in Architecture

Moving towards event-based computing, serverless computing, containerization can reduce the response time, increase efficiency and reduce the carbon footprint



3. Coding/ Language Preferences

Code restructuring, reducing the lines of code, making the right language choices can reduce the CPU runtime and result in reduction of energy consumption



4. Database design

Delete unnecessary data while using data life-cycle policies. Prevent data movement across network boundaries as much as possible.

5. Carbon neutral solutions

When buying 3rd party software packages, check for their emissions data and choose carbon neutral solutions

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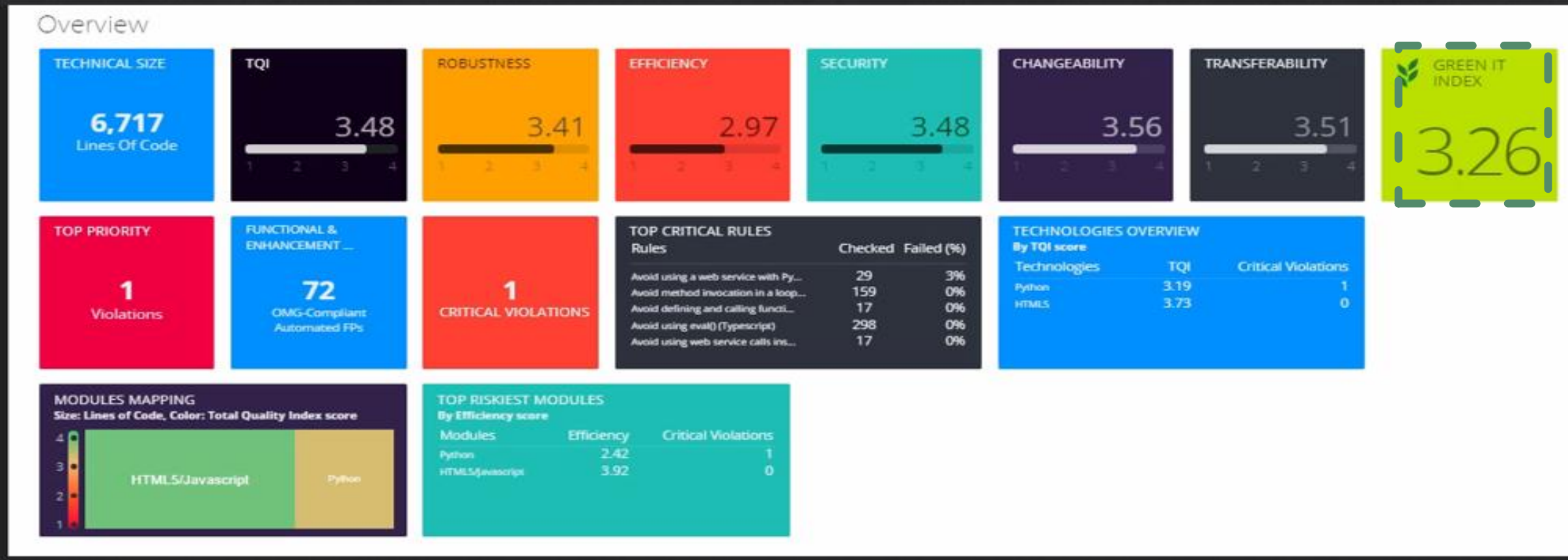
6. Smart AI

Smart AI should focus on exploring possibilities to shift a company's AI training and processing to solutions that are greener

How do I measure?


Overview
TECHNICAL SIZE
6,717
Lines Of Code
TQI
3.48
ROBUSTNESS
3.41
EFFICIENCY
2.97
SECURITY
3.48
CHANGEABILITY
3.56
TRANSFERABILITY
3.51
GREEN IT INDEX
3.26
TOP PRIORITY
1
Violations
FUNCTIONAL & ENHANCEMENT ...
72
OMG-Compliant Automated FPs
1
CRITICAL VIOLATIONS
TOP CRITICAL RULES
Rules
Checked
Failed (%)
Avoid using a web service with Py...
29
3%
Avoid method invocation in a loop...
159
0%
Avoid defining and calling functi...
17
0%
Avoid using eval() (Typescript)
298
0%
Avoid using web service calls ins...
17
0%
TECHNOLOGIES OVERVIEW
By TQI score
Technologies
TQI
Critical Violations
Python
3.19
1
HTML5
3.73
0
MODULES MAPPING
Size: Lines of Code, Color: Total Quality Index score
HTML5/Javascript
Python
TOP RISKIEST MODULES
By Efficiency score
Modules
Efficiency
Critical Violations
Python
2.42
1
HTML5/Javascript
3.92
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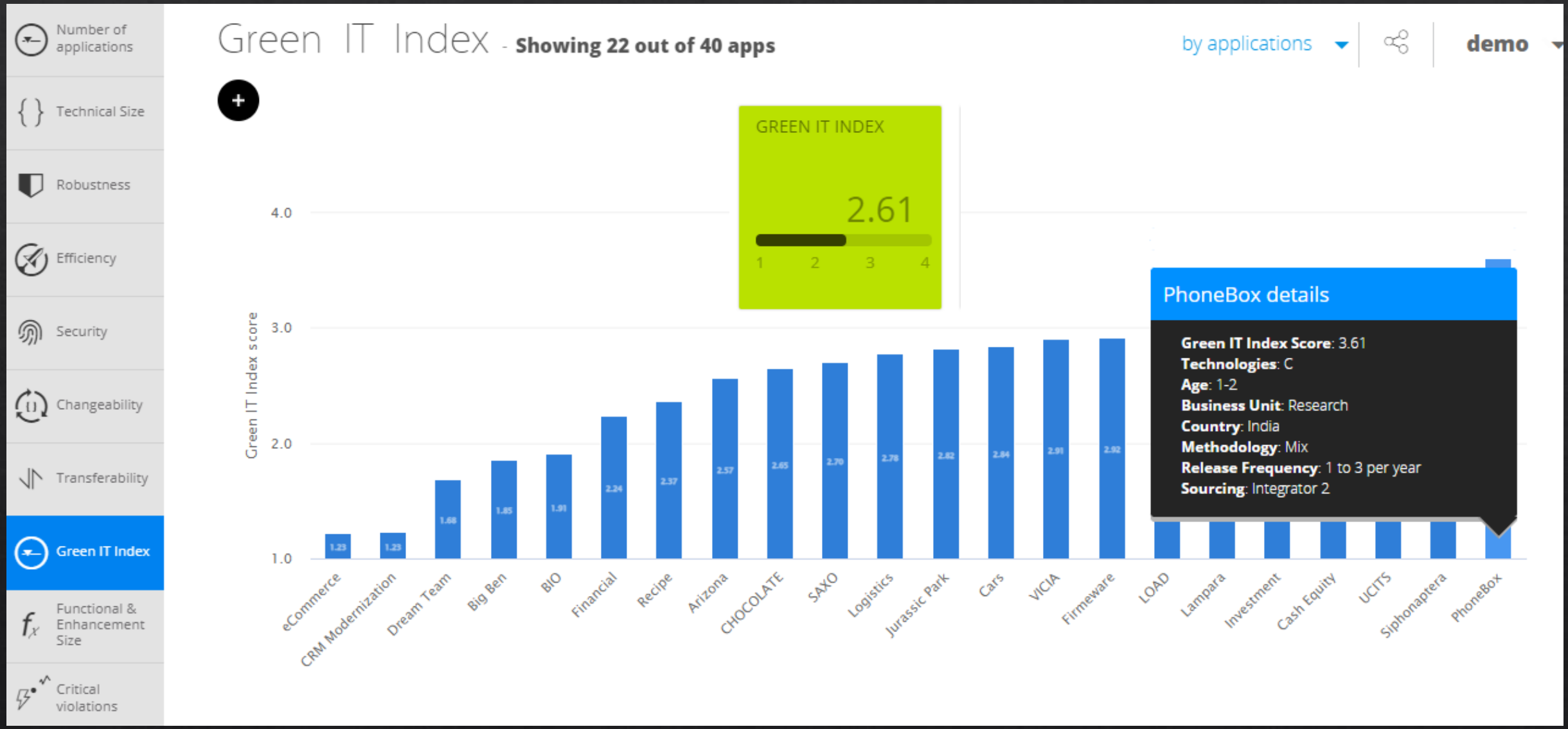
Number of applications
Technical Size
Robustness
Efficiency
Security
Changeability
Transferability
Green IT Index
Functional & Enhancement Size
Critical violations
Green IT Index - Showing 22 out of 40 apps
by applications
demo
GREEN IT INDEX
2.61
1 2 3 4
PhoneBox details
Green IT Index Score: 3.61
Technologies: C
Age: 1-2
Business Unit: Research
Country: India
Methodology: Mix
Release Frequency: 1 to 3 per year
Sourcing: Integrator 2
Green IT Index score
4.0
3.0
2.0
1.0
1.23
1.23
1.68
1.85
1.91
2.24
2.37
2.57
2.65
2.70
2.78
2.82
2.84
2.91
2.92
eCommerce
CRM Modernization
Dream Team
Big Ben
BIO
Financial
Recipe
Arizona
CHOCOLATE
SAXO
Logistics
Jurassic Park
Cars
VICIA
Firmeware
LOAD
Lampara
Investment
Cash Equity
UCITS
Siphonaptera
PhoneBox

Underlying Technology criterion to assess the application’s Green IT Index

Complexity – SQL Queries

Programming Practices – Error and Exception Handling | Unexpected behaviors

Efficiency– Network, Data and Disk space management

Performance– SQL and Data Handling performance

Secure Coding– Weak security features, Time and State

Efficiency– Call in loops


What do enterprises need to do to build the Green Software culture?

Some links to get you started

1. Principles of Green Software Engineering: https://principles.green/
2. Tool that helps in calculating the Green Debt of your software: https://www.castsoftware.com/green-it
3. Measure and reduce website's CO2 emissions: https://greenframe.io/
4. Cloud Carbon Emissions Measurement and Analysis Tool: https://www.cloudcarbonfootprint.org/
5. Machine Learning Emissions Calculator: https://mlco2.github.io/impact/#compute
6. Not for profit think tank that works on areas of climate change: https://theshiftproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Lean-ICT-Report_The-Shift-Project_2019.pdf


Be Digital
Be Responsible
Thank You
Archana Joshi
https://www.linkedin.com/in/arcjoshi/

Total					
	Energy		Time		Mb
(c) C	1.00	(c) C	1.00	(c) Pascal	1.00
(c) Rust	1.03	(c) Rust	1.04	(c) Go	1.05
(c) C++	1.34	(c) C++	1.56	(c) C	1.17
(c) Ada	1.70	(c) Ada	1.85	(c) Fortran	1.24
(v) Java	1.98	(v) Java	1.89	(c) C++	1.34
(c) Pascal	2.14	(c) Chapel	2.14	(c) Ada	1.47
(c) Chapel	2.18	(c) Go	2.83	(c) Rust	1.54
(v) Lisp	2.27	(c) Pascal	3.02	(v) Lisp	1.92
(c) Ocaml	2.40	(c) Ocaml	3.09	(c) Haskell	2.45
(c) Fortran	2.52	(v) C#	3.14	(i) PHP	2.57
(c) Swift	2.79	(v) Lisp	3.40	(c) Swift	2.71
(c) Haskell	3.10	(c) Haskell	3.55	(i) Python	2.80
(v) C#	3.14	(c) Swift	4.20	(c) Ocaml	2.82
(c) Go	3.23	(c) Fortran	4.20	(v) C#	2.85
(i) Dart	3.83	(v) F#	6.30	(i) Hack	3.34
(v) F#	4.13	(i) JavaScript	6.52	(v) Racket	3.52
(i) JavaScript	4.45	(i) Dart	6.67	(i) Ruby	3.97
(v) Racket	7.91	(v) Racket	11.27	(c) Chapel	4.00
(i) TypeScript	21.50	(i) Hack	26.99	(v) F#	4.25
(i) Hack	24.02	(i) PHP	27.64	(i) JavaScript	4.59
(i) PHP	29.30	(v) Erlang	36.71	(i) TypeScript	4.69
(v) Erlang	42.23	(i) Jruby	43.44	(v) Java	6.01
(i) Lua	45.98	(i) TypeScript	46.20	(i) Perl	6.62
(i) Jruby	46.54	(i) Ruby	59.34	(i) Lua	6.72
(i) Ruby	69.91	(i) Perl	65.79	(v) Erlang	7.20
(i) Python	75.88	(i) Python	71.90	(i) Dart	8.64
(i) Perl	79.58	(i) Lua	82.91	(i) Jruby	19.84