

# Green Networks

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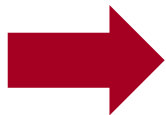
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- Energy use by computers is considerable and growing
  - Much is wasted due to low utilization levels
- About 150 TWh per year in the US (2006, LBNL)
  - Of which about 20 TWh per year is from network equipment
- My work (with colleagues at LBNL and UF) is:

1) Energy Efficient Ethernet



2) Proxying to enable network hosts (PCs) to sleep





In standards process and to be in EPA Energy Star



# Peak Shedding with PCs for Florida

## Energy use of PCs in Florida...

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|  | About 14.4 million PCs in Florida<br><b>≅ 1150 MW load</b> |
|  | TECO Big Bend power plant<br><b>= 1800 MW output</b>       |

- Can we do peak shedding using controlled PCs?
  - Has been successfully implemented in Japan with laptops
  - Potential for doing something similar in Florida is high
  - Use of Internet for demand response control should be explored



If 25% of Florida PCs could be controlled and 50% are inactive at a given time, a load shed of about 144 MW would be possible