

Shrinking Data Center Size, Complexity, and Cost through Directed-Flow Liquid Immersion Cooling

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The Liquid Cooling Landscape

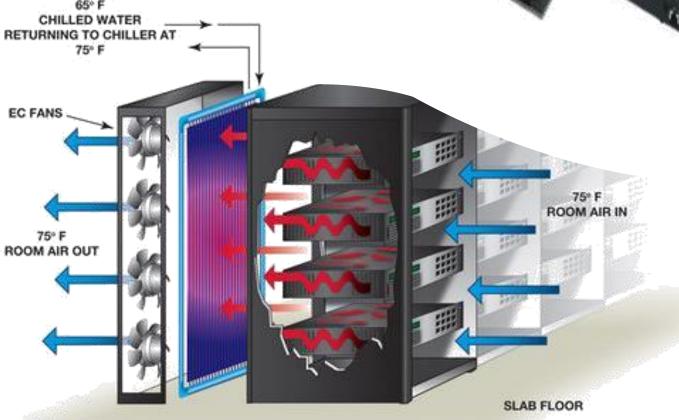
Other Companies are doing...

Cold Plates Direct-to-Chip, Fluid-to-Chip, Spot Cooling

- **Back of Rack Cooling** Active Rack, Rear Door, Chilled Door Cooling
- **Two-phase Immersion** Novec, Passive 2-Phase, Spot-Cooling

Cold Plates

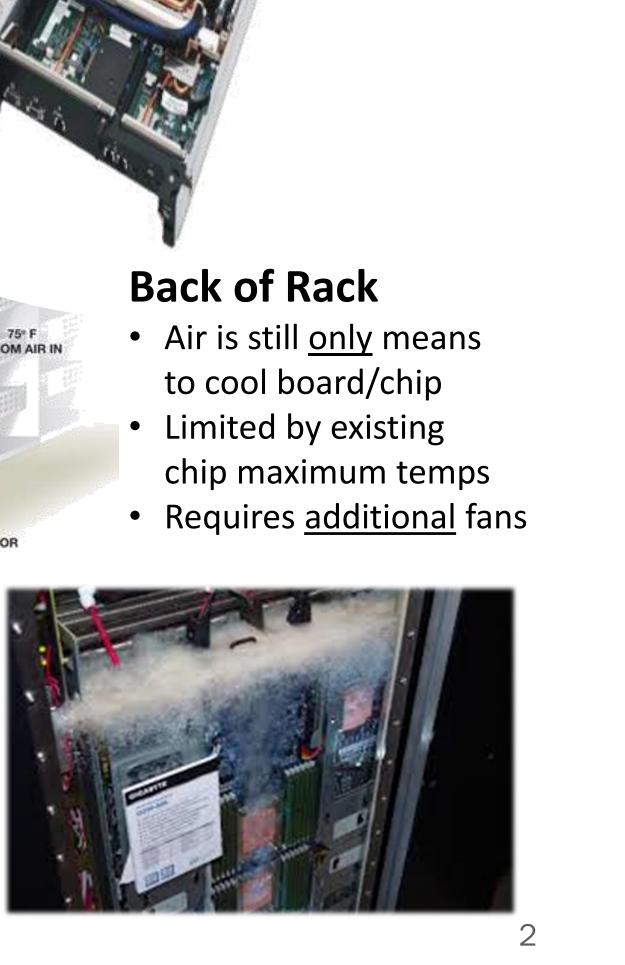
- Individual Heatsinks
- Board-Specific
- Individual Chip Fluid-cooling



- to cool board/chip
- chip maximum temps

Two-Phase Immersion

- Specialty fluids (\$\$\$)
- Can Require Separate Cooling Coil
- Orientation sensitive



Liquid Cooling Approaches

Direct-to-Chip Cooling



The Pros:

- Improves cooling efficiency better PUE
- Increases compute density in servers nodes

The Cons:

- Water is used at each server node and in data hall.
- fans still required.
- Only a portion of the server components are cooled with liquid,



Liquid Cooling Approaches **Two-Phase Immersion**

The Pros:

- Very effective at removing heat from CPU/GPU
- Provides excellent cooling energy efficiency
- Fans and air-cooling infrastructure are eliminated

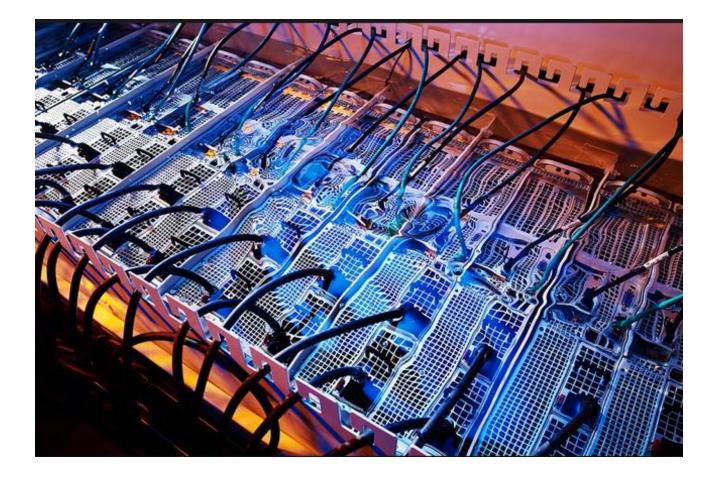
The Cons:

- Two-phase fluid has high GWP, very expensive and volatile, Sealed enclosure contains coolant vapor under high pressure Micro-cavitation effects raise long-term reliability concern Requires water circulation in server enclosure





Liquid Cooling Approaches Single-Phase Immersion



The Pros:

- Fans and air-cooling infrastructure are eliminated Non-volatile; low cost fluid
- Very effective removing heat from all electronics.
- Improved reliability and TCO

The Cons:

- Open tank designs
- Weight / large footprint
- Serviceability and fluid containment.



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- Eliminates all water from the IT white space
 - Reduce complexity, maintenance, and risk related to water in proximity to electronics
- Eliminates server fans, CRACs, air handlers chillers, dehumidifiers, and filters
 - Immediate increase in server MTBF and eliminate a majority of scheduled maintenance.
- Requires very low flow rate (<.5 GPM per kW) and pressure (<5 PSI) for cooling infrastructure design
 - Reduction in liquid coolant piping infrastructure cost and complexity
 - Utilize off-the-shelf, low cost, highly reliable & redundant pumps
 - Typical pumping system requires only 3% of energy cooled (3kw to cool 1MW)
- Higher coolant supply temps (<130°F/54°C) and simple heat reuse
 - Use simple dry coolers with <15% active duty fans in most conditions (even humid locations) due to high coolant temps and coolant heat density.
 - Use of high efficiency, compact Liquid-to-Liquid HEX for heat transfer and reuse

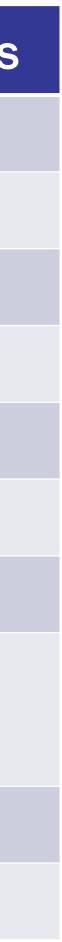


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Characteristic

- Dielectric Strength (ASTM 1816)
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1410	1170	1360
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GWP = 0	GWP = 0	GWP > 9000
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LiquidCool's Approach

LiquidCool Inc. combines:

- Total fluid immersion of server in 19 inch rack.
- A directed-flow fluid circulation system • Uses ElectroCool - synthetic single-phase dielectric coolant specially engineered for cooling electronics

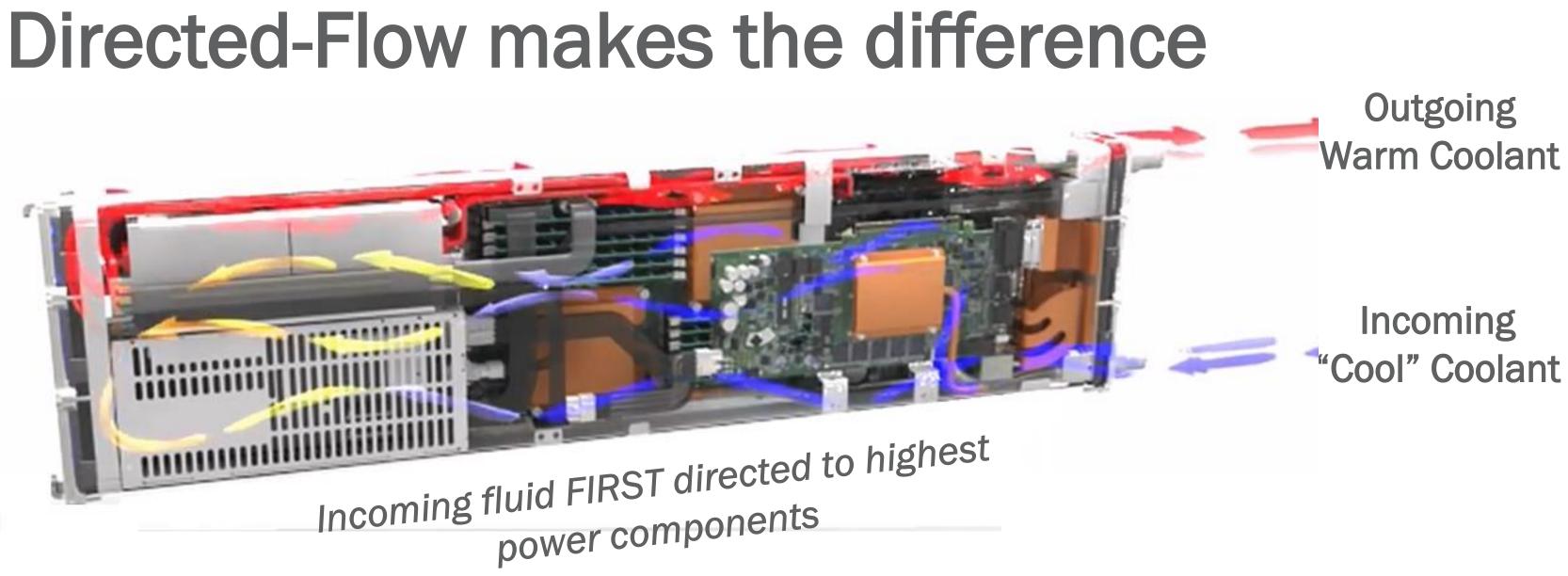
The Result:

LiquidCool's Directed-Flow Total Immersion Cooling delivers all the benefits of other liquid-cooling approaches





How it Works Directed-Flow makes the diff



With **Directed-Flow**

- Server and CPUs s run much cooler
- Compute density can increase
- Cooling and energy efficiency can be optimized



34 granted patents

17 Additional patents pending



LiquidCool sealed Server



Thermal & Power Advantages

Total Immersion + Directed Flow means...

CPUs operate up to 30°C cooler compared to air cooling

No rack fans + Cooler CPUs means...

LiquidCool servers use up to 20% less power vs. equivalent air-cooled servers

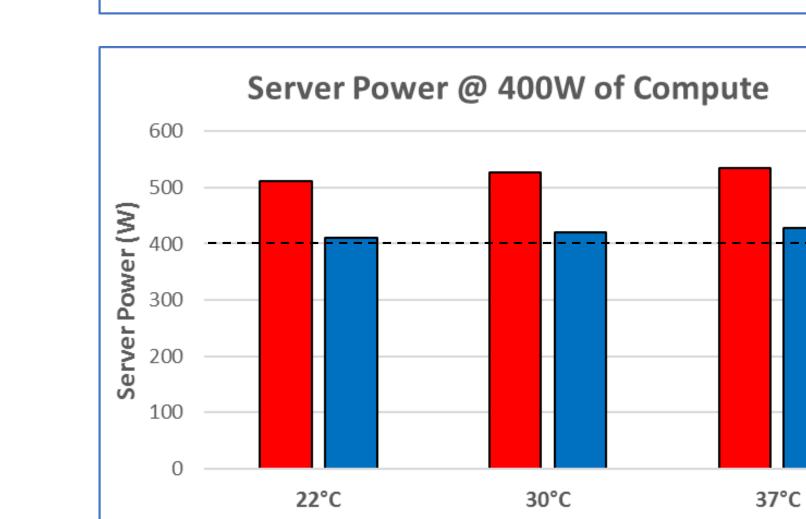
Source: LiquidCool "Server Power-to-Cool" whitepaper

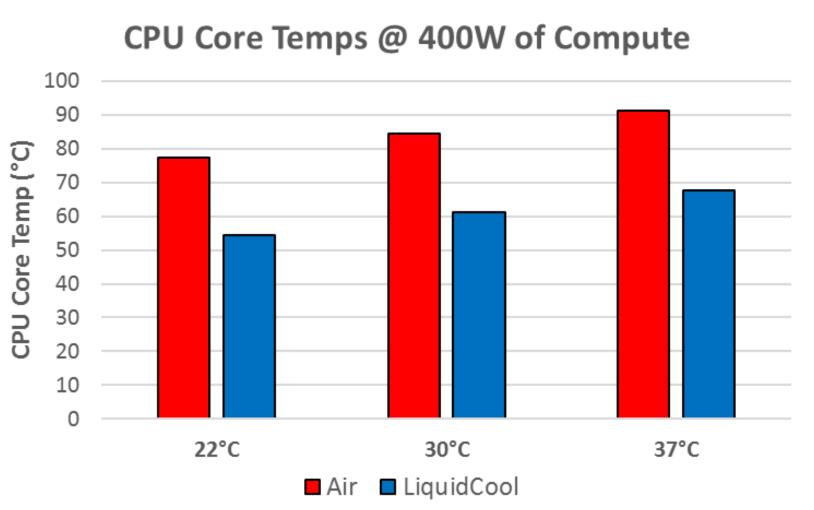








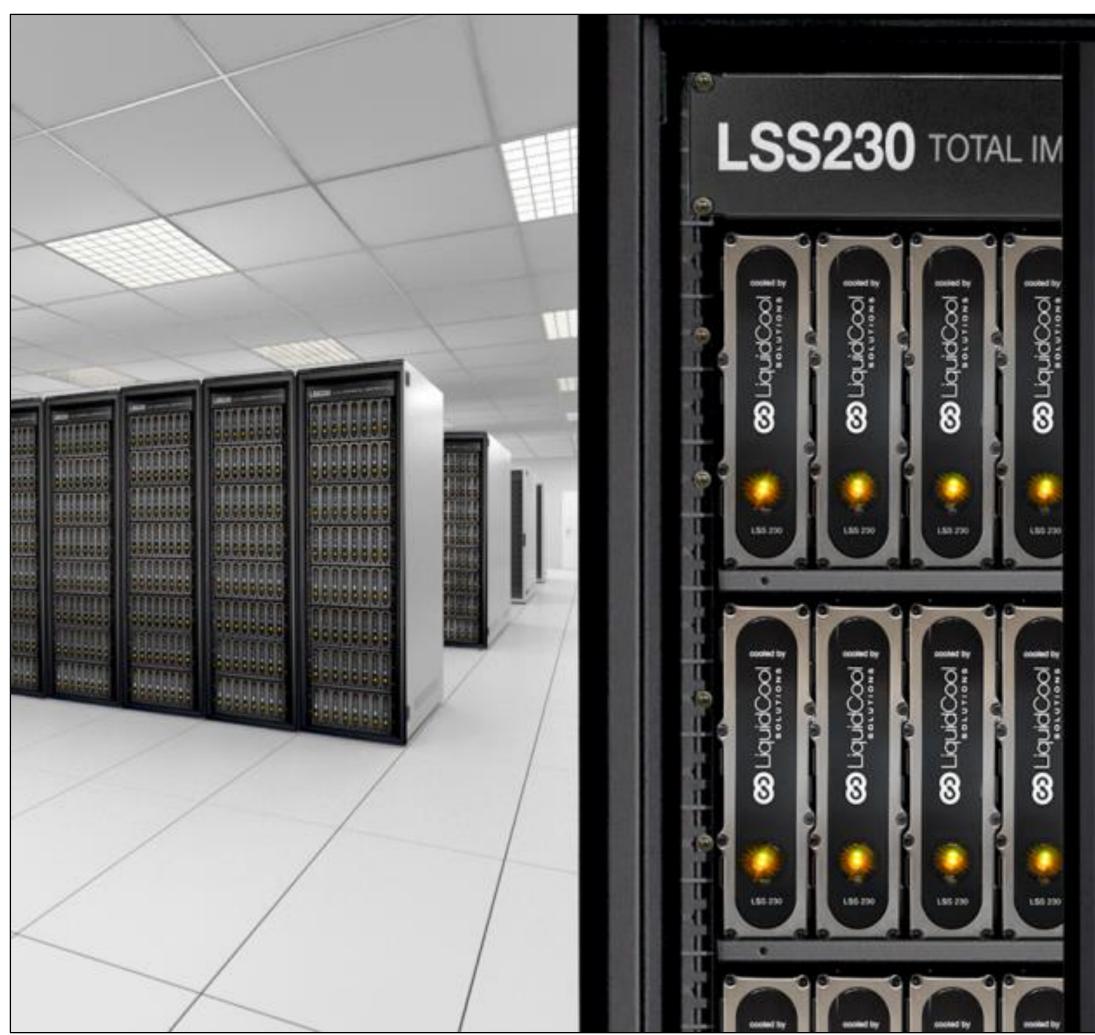




Air LiquidCool



LiquidCool Servers



Rack Server Systems for Data Centers

- Up to 96 servers per standard rack
- Up to 50kW of computing per rack
- Tailorable to OCP server configurations



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Enterprise Installations



National Renewable Energy Laboratory

- https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy18osti/70459.pdf
- Running OpenStudio tool suite for researchers



- LSS server system tested for energy efficiency and heat recovery effectiveness in conjunction with the Wells Fargo IN² Program*
- System now in operation in the NREL ESIF

CBRE | ESI Smart Building Client Center

- LSS server nodes installed at the CBRE | ESI Client Experience Center.
- Three 2 socket servers running Vmware. SSDs and HDDs for storage Two mission critical services.
- Smart Building systems
- Call center operations.





The numbers Cooling System Specs

- **Coolant Flow Rate (per**
 - **Coolant Pressure**
- Coolant Volume (per 0
- **Coolant weight per Data Ce**
- Weight of fully-populated 4
- Maximum Incoming Coolant 7
 - **Typical Partial PUE (per diel**
 - Heat Energy Recovery Effe
 - Heat Energy Reuse Temp

er kW)	0.3 - 0.5 GPM	
	Less than 5 PSI	
CPU)	0.7 - 0.8 gallons	
enter Rack	450 – 700 lbs.	
42U Rack	2900 - 3000 lbs.	
Temperature	54°C (129°F)	
ectric loop)	1.01 - 1.03	
ectiveness	90% - 95%	
perature	Up to 60°C (140°F)	



LiquidCool – OCP Concept Olympus Server repackaged in LiquidCool enclosure

- Liquid tight enclosure with bulkheaded power, I/O, and UI features
- Fans eliminated at rear of chassis
- Space reserved for remote heatsink eliminated
- Shorter enclosure possible with a more compact power supply geometry

- Directed flow proportioning manifold added
- Fluid lines to from manifold ports to LCS heatsinks for CPUs & PCIe cards added

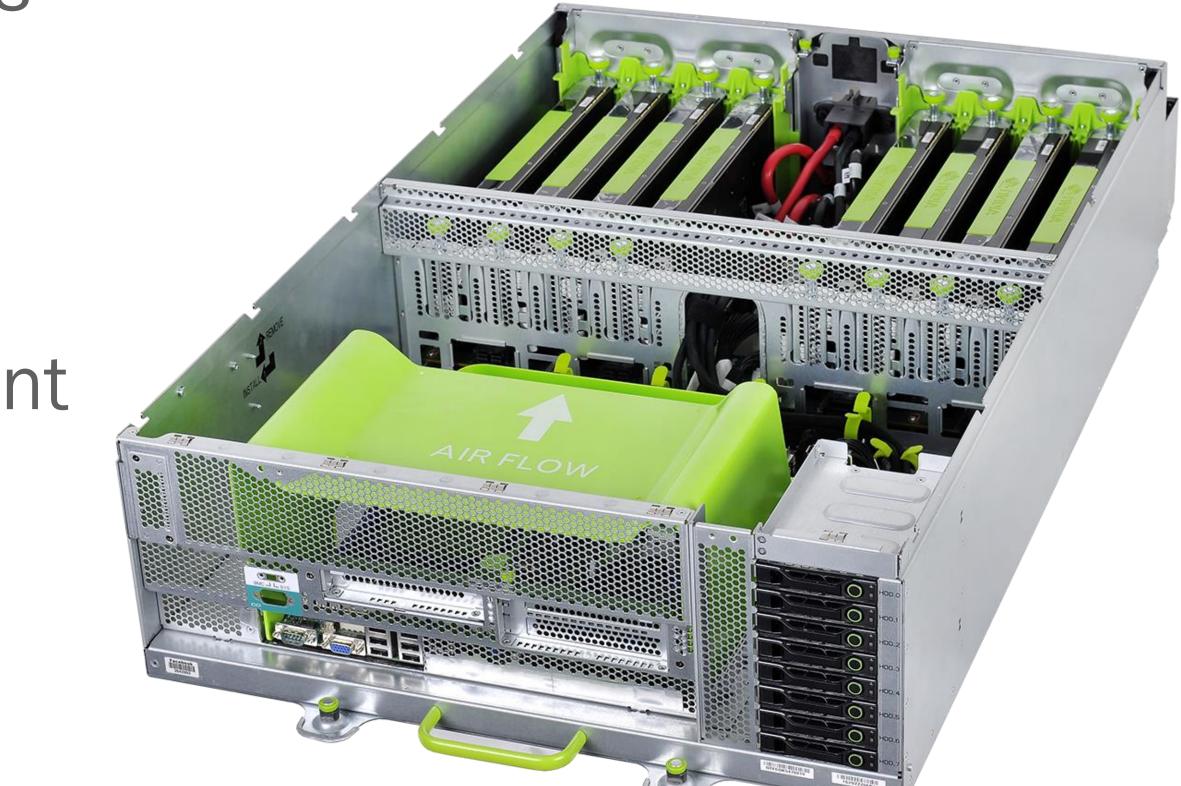


Liquid cooling for OCP Applying LiquidCool to GPU servers can dramatically increase rack density

Blockchain solution in Development

Overclocking GPU performance

Image Source: OCP Marketplace, opencompute.org





Summary

the ideal data center cooling technology

- High compute density
- Compatibility with standard server racks, including OCP designs
- High server reliability
- ✓ Highest PUE 1.02

- Elimination of server and rack fans lower ambient noise for storage

LiquidCool's total liquid systems using Engineering Fluids coolant provides

Safe, effective, non-volatile, biodegradable coolant with zero Global Warming Potential No water inside racks and low-pressure fluid circulation prevent catastrophic failures





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