Electrical Energy Storage Technologies and Applications Workshop

Grid-Scale Energy Storage

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With the Advance of Renewable Energy Sources, Energy Storage Is Becoming Increasingly Important

- Energy storage is not a new concept for electric utilities
- Although extremely desirable, wider deployment of energy storage has been limited by the economics/costs and available locations
- Pumped-storage hydro (PSH), large hydro reservoirs, and a few pilot compressed air energy storage (CAES) plants were the only way to store energy
- Small quantities of electricity were also possible to store in batteries and capacitors
- Large-scale implementation of energy storage (both system and distributed) is considered to be the key for enabling higher penetration (e.g., >20%) of variable generation sources, such as wind and solar
- Energy storage is also expected to contribute to more efficient and reliable grid operation, as well as to reduced emissions from the power sector





Drivers for Energy Storage: Recent Growth in Wind and Solar



Wind capacity is now over 60 GW

Figure 2.1 U.S. PV Installations and Global Market Share, 2000-2012



Solar PV is now about 7.7 GW Source: SEIA 2013



There are a Variety of Energy Storage Applications

- System storage (e.g., PSH, CAES, large-scale battery storage
 - Currently 127 GW of PSH in the world, of which:
 - 40 GW in European Union
 - 22 GW in the United States
 - Many utilities are building new PSH capacity
 - 1,200 MW Alto Tamega in Portugal,
 - 760 MW Venda Nova 3 in Portugal,
 - 852 MW La Muella 2 in Spain, etc.
- Renewable energy support (e.g., energy storage combined with wind or solar)
- Distributed energy storage (demand-side storage, customer installations, PHEV & EV batteries, etc.)







Applications of Energy Storage Systems on the Grid



Main Categories of Storage Technologies

Mechanical

- Pumped-Storage Hydro
- Compressed air energy storage (surface and underground)
- Flywheels
- Electrochemical
 - Lead-acid (L/A) batteries
 - Flooded L/A batteries
 - Valve-regulated lead-acid (VRLA) batteries
 - Sodium-sulfur (NaS) batteries
 - Lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries
 - Flow batteries
 - Sodium bromide sodium polysulfide
 - Zinc bromine (Zn/Br)
 - Vanadium-redox (V-redox)
 - Super-capacitors
 - Superconducting magnetic energy storage (SMES)
 - Hydrogen (as storage medium)
- Thermal
 - Molten salt, sensible heat, phase change materials, etc.









2011 Worldwide Grid-Scale Energy Storage Capacity



2011 Energy Storage Capacity in U.S.

| Storage Technology Type | Capacity (MW) |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Pumped Storage Hydro | 22,000 |
| Compressed Air | 115 |
| Lithium-ion Batteries | 54 |
| Flywheels | 28 |
| Nickel Cadmium Batteries | 26 |
| Sodium Sulfur Batteries | 18 |
| Other (Flow Batteries, Lead Acid) | 10 |
| Thermal Peak Shaving (Ice Storage) | 1,000 |
| TOTAL | 23,251 |

Source: U.S. DOE EAC Energy Storage Report 2011





Pumped Storage Hydro

- Mature commercial technology
- Large capacity up to 1-2 GW
- Large energy storage (8-10 hours or more)
- Fixed and adjustable speed units











Compressed-Air Energy Storage

- Two existing pilot projects:
 - Huntorf, Germany (290 MW) built in 1978
 - McIntosh, Alabama (110 MW) in 1991
- Compressed air is stored under pressure (>1000 psi) underground:
 - Salt domes,
 - Aquifers,
 - Depleted gas/oil fields,
 - Mined caverns, etc.
- Compressed air is used to power combustion turbines
- Increased efficiency of electricity generation compared to regular CTs
- Lower capital costs than pumped hydro storage
- Above-ground CAES more expensive





Batteries

- Various chemistries
- Most applications in Japan (typically NaS batteries)







Source: PIKE Research 2012



Electrolyte

tank

Electrolyte

Ion-selective

Pum

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membrane

Regenerative

fuel cell

Power source/load

Pump

Flywheels



Photo by Beacon Power

2-MW flywheel storage in ISO-NE (Source: Beacon Power)





20-MW flywheel plant in Stephentown, NY (Source: U.S. DOE)





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New Technologies: Non-Aqueous Flow Battery

• A new type of flow-battery for large-scale utility applications



Simplified schematic of a flow battery used for load leveling. Shown for generic species A and B with lithium ions as the ion exchanged across the separator (other cations or anions could be used instead). If 1 Molar solutions are assumed, each storage tank would be ~11,000 m³ (30-m diameter by 15-m high) for a 50 MW/600 MWh system and could easily be sited on five acres.



Requirements for Energy Storage

100 PSH 10 Na-S CAES VR Discharge Time (hr) Li-lon Zn-Br 1 L/A Ni-MH Ni-Cd 0.1 Compressed air CAES FW EDLC **Dbl-layer** capacitors FW Flywheels 0.01 Na-S L/A Lead-acid Li-lon Lithium-ion Na-S Sodium-sulfur Nickel-cadmium Ni-Cd 0.001 EDLC Ni-MH Nickel-metal hydride PSH Pumped hydro VR Vanadium redox Zn-Br Zinc-bromine ©Electricity Storage Association 0.0001 0.001 0.01 0.1 1 10 100 1000 10,000

System Ratings

Rated Power (MW)

Source: Electricity Storage Association (www.electricitystorage.org)



Energy density

Cycle efficiency

Cycling capability

Operating lifetime

Capital cost

High power output



Cycle Efficiency of Energy Storage Technologies



Size and Weight of Energy Storage



Cost and Performance Characteristics of Energy Storage Technologies

| | Lead- acid batteries | Li-Ion batteries | NaS batteries | Flow batteries | Fly- wheels | Pumped hydro | Large- scale CAES |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Applicable grid system size [kW/MW] | ≤10 MW | ≤10 MW | ≥100 MW | 25 kW-10 MW | 100 kW-200 MW | Mostly ≥200 MW | ≥500 MW |
| Lifetime [years] | 3–10 | 10–15 | 15 | Cell stack: 5–15; Electro- lyte: 20+ | 20 | 25+ | 20+ |
| Lifetime [cycles] | 500-800 | 2,000- 3,000 | 4,000- 40,000 | Cell stack: 1,500–15,000 | >100,000 | >50,000 | >10,000 |
| Roundtrip efficiency [%] | 70%- 90% | 85%-95% | 80%-90% | 70%-85% | 85%-95% | 75%-85% | 45%-60% |
| Capital cost per discharge power [\$/kW] | \$300- \$800 | \$400- \$1,000 | \$1,000- \$2,000 | \$1,200- \$2,000 | \$2,000- \$4,000 | \$1,000- \$4,000 | \$800- \$1,000 |
| Capital cost per capacity [\$/kWh _{cap}] | \$150- \$500 | \$500- \$1,500 | \$125-\$250 | \$350-\$800 | \$1,500- \$3,000 | \$100-\$250 | \$50-\$150 |
| Levelised cost of storage [\$/kWh _{life}] | \$0.25- \$0.35 | \$0.30- \$0.45 | \$0.05- \$0.15 | \$0.15-\$0.25 | N/A | \$0.05- \$0.15 | \$0.10- \$0.20 |
| Annual operating costs [\$/kW-yr] | \$30 | \$25 | \$15 | \$30 | \$15 | \$5 Source | \$5 e: IRENA, May |

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Energy Storage Can Provide Services at all Levels of the Power System Value Chain

- Generating capacity
 - Peaking capacity (e.g., pumped-hydro storage)
- Energy arbitrage
 - Load shifting and energy management (load-leveling, time-shift, price arbitrage)
- Ancillary services
 - Frequency regulation
 - Operating reserves (spinning, non-spinning, supplemental)
 - Voltage support

• Grid system reliability

- Transmission stability support
- Transmission congestion relief
- T&D upgrade deferral
- Substation backup power





Energy Storage Can Provide Services at all Levels of the Power System Value Chain (cont'd)

- Integration of variable energy resources (VER)
 - Capacity firming
 - Renewable energy time-shift
 - Renewable energy integration (power quality, ramping, and flexibility reserves)
- Utility customer
 - Time-of-use energy cost management
 - Capacity charge management
 - Improved power quality and reliability
- Environmental benefits*
 - Reduced fossil fuel consumption
 - Reduced environmental emissions

* Depending on the plant mix in the system







Operating Characteristics of Energy Storage Technologies Determine their Suitability for Different Applications

- Flywheels, super-capacitors, SMES, and other storage technologies with the short-term power output (minute time scale)
 - Regulation service
 - Spinning reserve, etc.
- NaS batteries, flow batteries, hydrogen fuel cells, CAES, pumped storage can provide several hours of full capacity:
 - Load shifting / energy management
 - Electricity generation
 - T&D deferral, etc.











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Technology Characteristics and Applications

| Storage Technology | Main Advantage (Relative) | Disadvantage (Relative) | Power Application | Energy Application |
|---|----------------------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| High-speed Flywheels (FW) | High Power | Low Energy Density | | |
| Electrochemical Capacitors (EC) | Long Cycle Life | Very Low Energy Density | • | |
| Traditional Lead Acid (TLA) | Low Capital Cost | Limited Cycle Life | • | 0 |
| Advanced LA with Carbon Enhanced Electrodes (ALA-CEE) | Low Capital Cost | Low Energy Density | • | • |
| Sodium Sulfur (Na/S) | High Power and Energy Density | Cost and Needs to Run at High Temperatures | • | • |
| Lithium-ion (Li-ion) | High Power and Energy Density | Cost and Increased Control Circuit Needs | • | |
| Zinc Bromine (Zn/Br) | Independent Power and Energy | Medium Energy Density | ٥ | • |
| Vanadium Redox (VRB) | Independent Power and Energy | Medium Energy Density | ٥ | |
| Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES) | High Energy, Low Cost | Special Site Requirements | | • |
| Pumped Hydro (PH) | High Energy, Low Cost | Special Site Requirements | | • |





Reasonable for this application

Feasible but not quite practical or economical

NONE Not feasible or economical



Source: ESA

Positioning of Energy Storage for Utility Applications



Some Energy Storage Projects in U.S. Utilities



Issued FERC Permits for New PSH in the U.S.



Source: FERC Staff, January 1, 2013

New DOE Database Tracks Energy Storage Projects



DOE Energy Storage Database (beta)



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Source: http://www.energystorageexchange.org



Value of Energy Storage in Utility Systems

Three main components:

- Energy/price arbitrage (wholesale energy market)
- Ancillary services (reserves market)
- Portfolio effects (lower system operating costs, better integration of VER, reduced cycling of thermal units, increased system reliability, etc.)





Energy/Price Arbitrage

- Energy storage is net consumer of energy
- Economic operation is based on price differential between peak and off-peak prices/costs



Renewable Generation Energy Management



Energy Storage Can Also Provide Valuable Ancillary Services

- Ancillary services are those necessary to support the generation, transmission, and distribution of electricity from producers to endusers.
- In this context, ancillary services deal primarily with:
 - Control of power generation
 - Grid stabilization, and
 - Integration of variable energy resources (VER), such as wind and solar
- Energy storage is very fast and flexible, which makes it ideal for provision of many ancillary services





Why Do We Need Ancillary Services?

- System operators in electric utilities or ISO/RTOs perform two key tasks:
 - Balance the system generation and load in near-real-time
 - Maintain voltages and power flows through transmission grid within the operating criteria
- To perform these tasks, the system operator needs ancillary services
- Ancillary services provide for secure and reliable system operation
- Ancillary services are used by the "power system", not electricity consumers





Main Types of Ancillary Services

- Frequency Regulation (seconds to minutes) Adjusts power output of generating unit to oppose small deviations in system frequency, as instructed by Automatic Generation Control (AGC)
- Load following (minutes to hours) Adjusts generating unit power output or load to follow longer-term (hourly) changes in system demand (ramping requirements)
- Voltage control provide voltage support for the system
- **Spinning reserve** (full response in 10 minutes) rapid increase in generation or reduction in load in response to system contingencies (e.g., unit outages)
- Non-spinning reserve (full response in 10 minutes)— rapid start and delivery of power of a unit not synchronized to the system in response to system contingencies
- Supplemental (response in 10-30 minutes) reserve Generating units or reduction in load dispatched to replace those providing spinning reserve
- Black start capability To restart the power system after a blackout





Regulation and Load Following



- Regulation is a zero-energy service that compensates minute-to-minute fluctuations in system load and generation of variable energy resources

Frequency Regulation Is About Balancing Electricity Supply and Demand



- Any power grid during operation must always maintain a balance between the supply and demand
- If the demand increases faster than the supply, the system frequency tends to decrease (and vice versa)
- The goal of system operators is to keep the system frequency within a narrow range around 60 Hz (50 Hz in Europe)





Frequency in Power Systems Constantly Fluctuates



Grid Frequency 22/11/2008, 11:00am to 11:59am



Energy Storage Provides Fast Response in Case of Unit Outages



galvin for electricity innovation at ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY


Energy Storage Provides Operating Reserves



Grid Control Issues and Timeframes



Grid Integration of Renewable Energy Sources

- Wind generation growth in Midwest ISO: 10 times between 2006 and 2011
- Wind variability creates operational problems:
 - Requires manual curtailments (wind cannot be dispatched down automatically during congestion events)
 - Surplus wind generation during light load periods (may cause de-committing of conventional generating units)
 - Requires larger operating reserves (costs more to operate the system)



Storage can Reduce Curtailments of RE

Curtailments of wind generation in MISO (data as of December 2011)



Large Wind Integration will Require Significant Use of Energy Storage

- Energy storage, either as system storage or coupled with wind farms, would provide for:
 - Firming of VER capacity
 - Time-shifting of VER electricity generation
 - Reduced ramping of conventional units
 - Lower reserve requirements, etc.
- Questions:
 - What is the optimal amount of storage?
 - What type of storage is best for use with wind farms?
 - System storage or paired with VER projects?



Source: AES Energy Storage LLC





Advanced Wind Forecasting Helps Reduce Uncertainty, Energy Storage Will Help Manage Variability



Hydropower Plays Significant Role in Integration of Variable Generation Resources

- Hydropower plants, both conventional hydro (CH) and pumped-storage hydro (PSH) plants, are well-suited to provide a number of ancillary services
- CH and PSH plants are characterized by fast and flexible operation with quick starts and excellent ramping capabilities
 - often, the plant operation is constrained not by technical limits of the equipment, but by environmental considerations
- In the pumping mode, PSH plants create system load which can be used to accommodate excess generation of VER and reduce their curtailments
- In contrast to thermal generating units, CH and PSH plants provide ancillary services at much lower cost





PSH Plants can Provide a Variety of Services

- Load shifting (energy arbitrage)
 - Increases efficiency of system operation by:
 - Increasing the generation of base load units
 - Reduces the operation of expensive peaking units
- Contingency reserve (spinning and non-spinning)
 - Provides large amount of quick contingency reserve (e.g., for the outages of large nuclear and coal units)
- Regulation reserve
 - Helps maintain system frequency at a narrow band around nominal system frequency by balancing supply and demand
- Load following
 - Provides a quick-ramping capacity
- Energy imbalance reduction

- Compensates the variability of wind and solar power



New Adjustable Speed PSH Provide Even More Flexibility

- Adjustable speed PSH are doubly fed induction machines (DFIM)
- The rotors of DFIM drives are equipped with three-phase windings and fed via frequency converter
- The actual mechanical speed is the result of superposition of both rotor and stator rotating magnetic fields and is controlled by frequency converter
- The units can vary the speed (typically up to 10% around the synchronous speed)
- It is possible to adjust the speed to actual water head, which increases turbine efficiency
- Active and reactive power can be controlled electronically and separately
- The units are able to operate in partial load pumping mode



Adjustable Speed Pumped Storage Hydro Units Employing Doubly-Fed Induction Machines

- Basics of DFIM operation:
 - The stator of the machine is connected to the system.
 - The rotor of the machine is connected to the machine terminals through a power converter.
 - The power converter can control the voltage, current, and frequency in the rotor circuit, and hence the machine power and reactive power



Ternary Pumped Storage Units

- A ternary pumped storage system consists of a separate turbine and pump on a single shaft with an electric machine that can operate as either a generator or motor
- The ternary plant can simultaneously operate both the pump and turbine, referred to as a "hydraulic short circuit"
- This ability provides for greater flexibility in plant's operation







Ternary PSH Technology

- Kops 2 PSH plant (3x150 MW) in Austria has implemented ternary pump-turbine arrangement
- Turbine and pump are connected with a mechanical clutch (pump can be separated during the generation mode to increase efficiency)
- During the pumping, the power taken from the grid can be supplemented by the power produced by the hydro turbine ("hydraulic short circuit")
- This provides for flexibility in regulating the pumping power needs from the grid



Some Projections Show Substantial Market for Energy Storage Technologies

• Pike Research forecasts that total energy storage market will grow from \$1.5B in 2010 to about \$35B in 10 years (that's 37% average annual growth rate!)

Installed Revenue Opportunity by ESG Technology, World Markets: 2010-2020



Potential Market Barriers to Widespread Storage Deployment

- Cost of the technology
- Risk of cost recovery
- Lack of adequate market rules
- Understanding the role and benefits of storage
- How to assess the value of storage in a given application
- Inadequate planning and operation (methods, training, software tools, etc.)





R&D Needs for Battery Storage Technologies

- Increase power and energy densities
- Extend lifetime and cycle-life
- Decrease charge-discharge cycle times



- Ensure safe operation
- Reduce costs







In Conclusion, Energy Storage is the Key for Large-Scale Integration of Renewable and other Variable Sources

- Energy storage provides opportunity for better management of variable resources:
 - Capacity firming
 - Renewable energy time-shift
 - Renewable energy integration (regulation, ramping, load following, operational reserves)
- Energy storage will improve power system efficiency, stability, and reliability
- Energy storage can provide valuable ancillary services
 - With large ramp-up in wind, the need for regulation and spinning reserve will increase
 - The importance of storage, both system and distributed, will also increase
- On the consumer side, energy storage provides opportunity for:
 - Price arbitrage
 - Improved power quality and reliability of supply
- Energy storage will also facilitate better use and functionality of smart grid technologies





Questions?

Thank You!

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