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Introduction to Alternative and Renewable Energy

EST1830





3. Energy Production

3.3 Energy Storage Challenges

Load Imbalance, Renewables



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CAISO, Integration of Renewables, November 2007

The sun does not always shine on the solar cell and the wind doesn't always blow on the wind turbine....

Grid Scale Energy Storage Technologies





Maturity of Technology



Load Imbalance



http://data.energywhiz.com/9-12/performanceinfo.php?systemID=wgg

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Timing is important

- Seconds
 - Frequency (Hz=cycle/second)
 - AC: 60Hz (US); 50Hz (Europe)
- 1 second to 1 minute
 - Voltage regulation
- 1 to 10 minutes
 - Electrical Power (ramp-up)
 - Watts, kW, MW
- 10 minutes to hours
 - Electrical Energy
 - kW-h
 - Refers to the flow of power along a conductor to create energy.
 - Electrical energy is a secondary source of energy, which means that we obtain electrical energy through the conversion of other forms of energy. 7

Ultracapacitors



- High power, but lower energy density than batteries
- Cycled 100,000+ times: ideal for applications with frequent charge/discharge requirements.

Types of Solid State Ultracapacitors: -Electrical Energy Storage Units -Organic Solid State Ultracapacitors

Like batteries, ultracapacitors are energy storage devices. They use electrolytes and configure various-sized cells into modules to meet the power, energy, and voltage requirements for a wide range of applications. But batteries store charges chemically, whereas ultracapacitors store them **electrostatically**. Currently, ultracapacitors are more expensive (per energy unit) than batteries.

Flywheel



• Flywheels store energy mechanically (kinetic)

 High cycle life (100,000+ cycles) ideal for frequent charge/discharge of power.

 Power and energy scale independently, but there are practical limit to energy density:

- Higher Moment of Inertia Materials
- Low Cost Structures

 Commercial plants are on-line providing frequency regulation: 3MW in Massachusetts, 20MW planned in New York and Illinois

UPS- Uninterrupted Power Supply

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JckymSbfVYk&feature=related

SMES



 SMES store electricity in magnetic field of a superconducting coil cryogenically cooled below its critical temperature.

Efficient energy storage

· Power available instantaneously

 Several large (3MW) demonstration units are installed in the US (Wisconsin, Texas), as are numerous "micro-SMES" units

• New Technology For Longer Duration:

- Reduce Cost of Superconducting Material Structures
- High Critical Temperature
 Superconductors

Lead Acid Battery



Technology Maturity R&D Pilot-scale Demonstration

Description

Oldest and most developed battery technology

- Energy management applications have been installed (California, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Germany) with power from 3 to 10 MW
- Highly-sensitive to operating temperature and charge profiles; corrosion, sulfation, and active material shedding as traditional issues
- New Areas in 200 Year Old Technology:
 - Innovative Lead-carbon Electrodes
 - Advanced Power Conditioning Systems

Sodium B-alumina Battery



Zinc Bromine (Zn-Br) Flow Battery



Zinc-Bromine Flow Battery Schematic



Description

- Solution of zinc-bromine in two tanks. Zinc is electroplated on anode and Bromine is evolved at cathode
- · Power and energy can be scaled separately
- High roundtrip efficiency (70-80%) and potential for low cost
- Field tests in Japan, United States and Australia. Scaled 1MWh demonstration project in California
- Needs:
 - Interface, Membranes and Electrodes
 - Technology for Long Life Cycle (20yrs)

Flow Battery: Vanadium Redox





Description

- Metal air batteries combine reactive metal anode (zinc, lithium, magnesium, etc.) with an air electrode
- · Metal-air batteries have potential for very high energy density at a low cost

• Need:

- **Recharging from the Grid** ٠
- Long Cycle Life Challenges ٠

 Flow-type designs in which consumed metal is mechanically replaced and reprocessed separately

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Grid-Scale Energy Storage, Mark Johnson, David Danielson, Imre Gyuk, 3/1/2010, ARPA-E Pre-Summit Workshop

Compressed Air Energy Storage



A CAES operates by means of large electric motor driven compressors that store energy in the form of compressed air in the mine. The compression is done outside periods of peak demand. As part of the compression process, the air is cooled prior to injection to make the best possible use of the storage space available. The air is then pressurised to about 75 bar.

To return electricity to the customers, air is extracted from the cavern. It is first preheated in the recuperator. The recuperator reuses the energy extracted by the compressor coolers. The heated air is then mixed with small quantities of oil or gas, which is burnt in the combustor. The hot gas from the combustor? is the turbine to generate electricity.



http://www.tva.gov/power/hydro.htm

During peak demand, water is released from the upper reservoir. It drops downward through highpressure shafts where it passes through turbines and ultimately pools up in the lower reservoir. The turbines drive power generators that create electricity. Therefore, when releasing energy during peak demand, a pumped hydroelectric storage system works similarly to traditional hydroelectricity. When production exceeds demand, water is pumped up and stored in the upper reservoir, ready to be released as needed.

A pumped hydroelectic storage

reservoirs located at different

system consists of two large

elevations