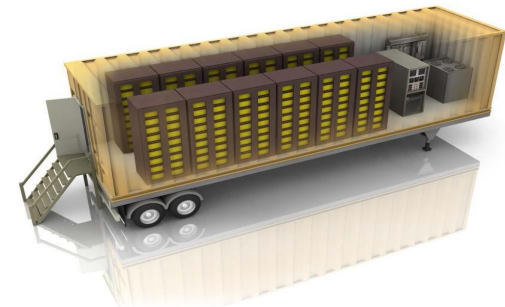
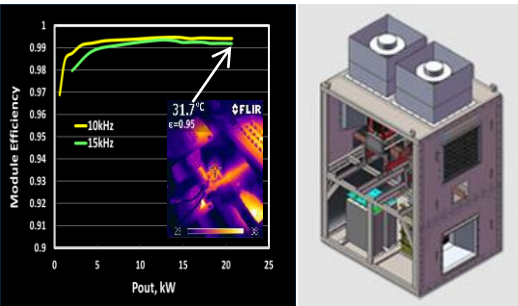


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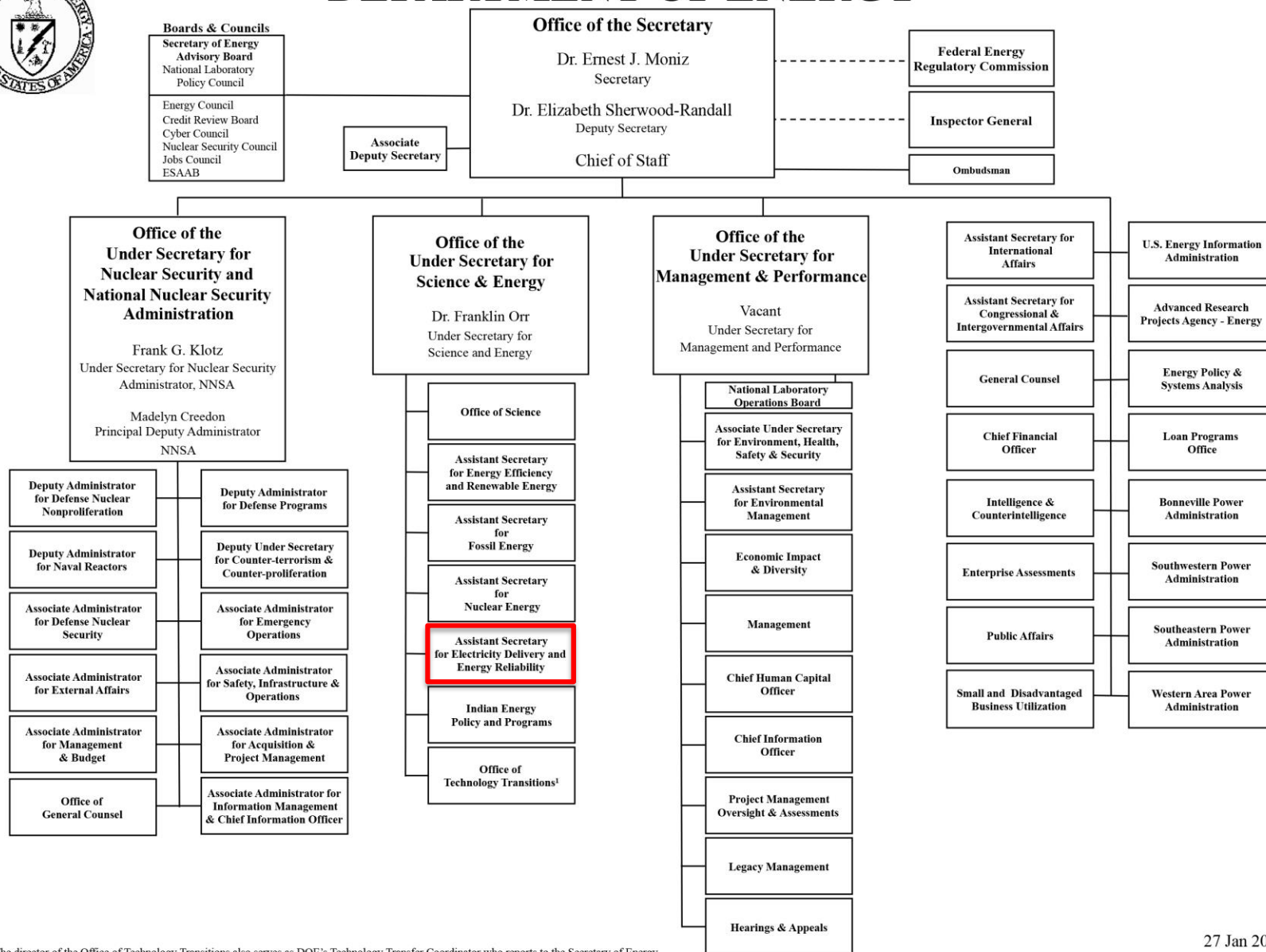
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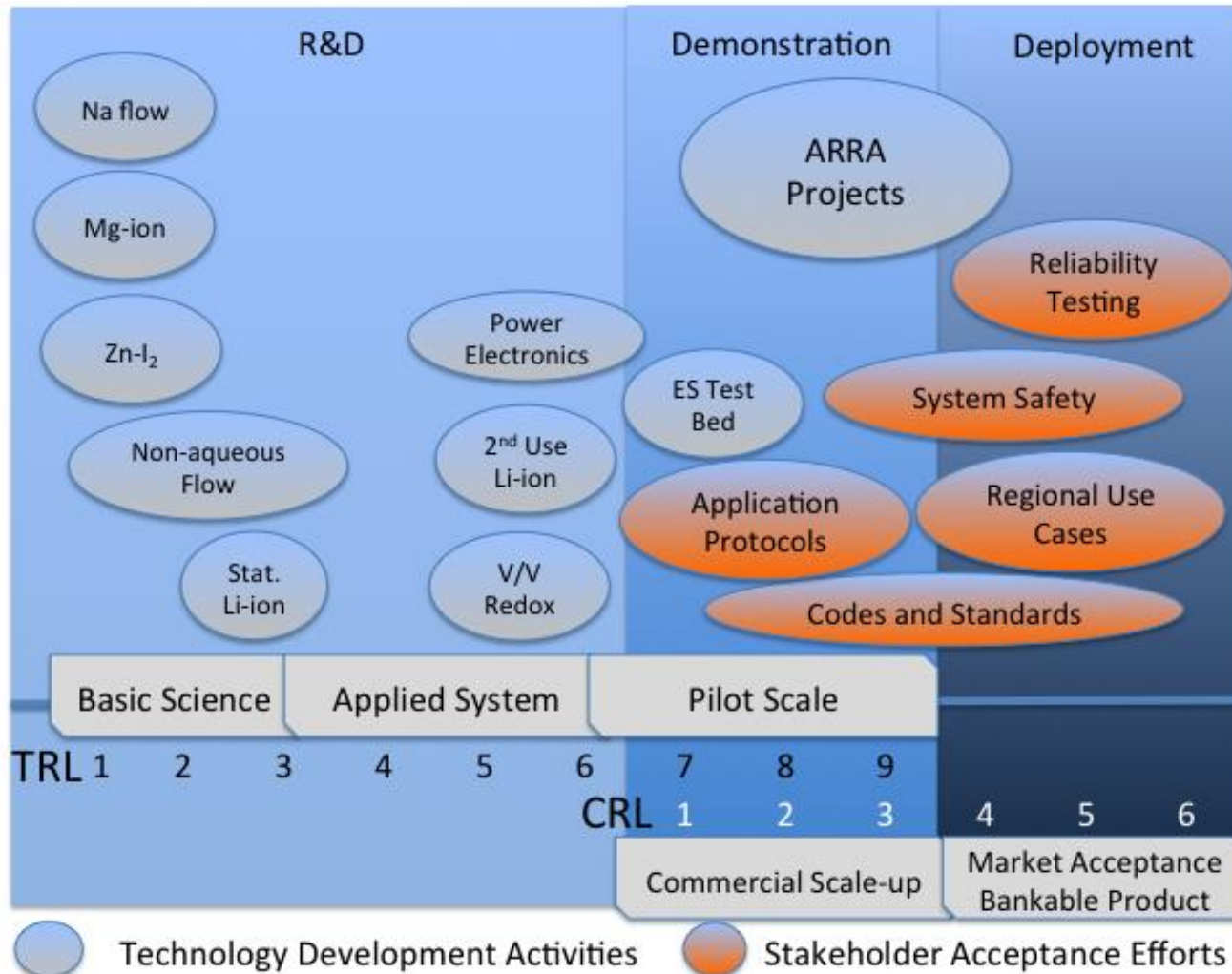


DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



OE Energy Storage Program Scope

To accelerate the development and adoption of energy storage the OE-Energy Storage Program is working across the entire technology development cycle



Energy Storage Is Critical to the Stability and Resilience of the Electric Grid

Traditional Grid

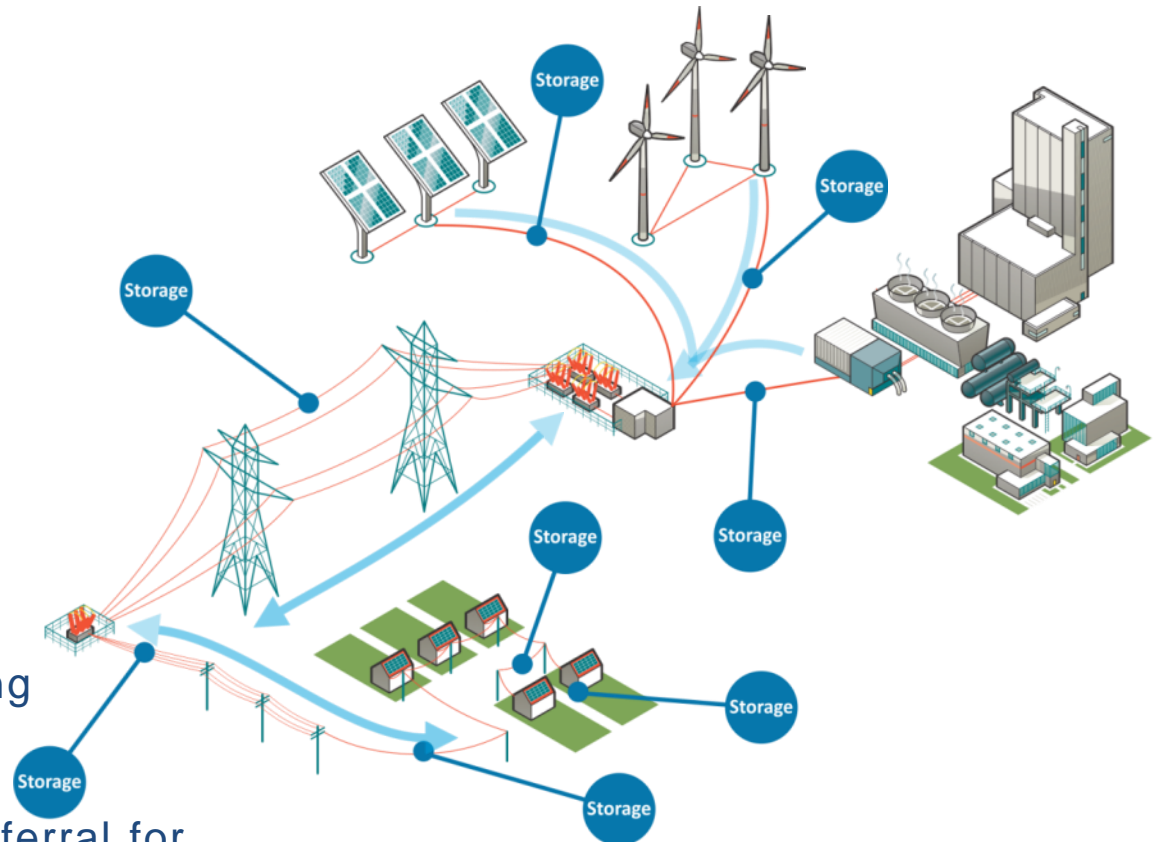
- One way flow
- Little/no renewable energy

Today's Grid

- Integration of grid-scale and distributed renewable generation beginning, but with limited penetration

Future Grid

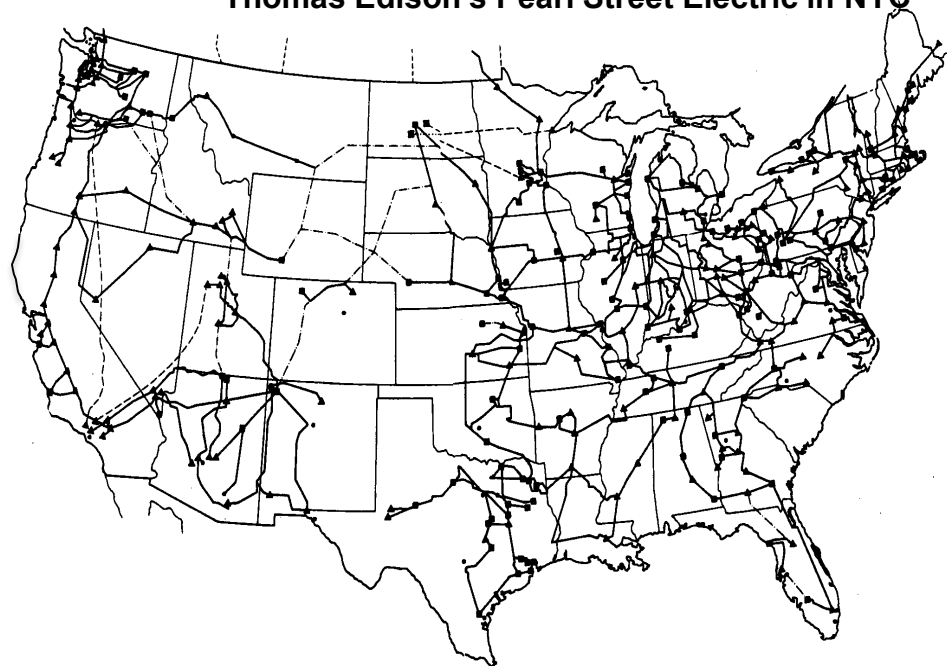
- Storage provides buffering capability to enable high penetration of variable renewables and asset deferral for T&D systems (load management, ancillary services)
- Efficient two-way flow



Electric Utility Background

First modern electric system developed in 1882 by
Thomas Edison's Pearl Street Electric in NYC

Common AC voltages	
Transmission	765kV
	500kV
	345kV
	230kV
Sub-Transmission	69kV
	30kV
	15kV
	4kV
Distribution	2kV
	600V
	480V
	240V
	120V



Made up of:

- Over 150 thousand miles of transmission lines (AC & DC)
- 10s of thousands of Generating Units totaling ~1000GW of total capacity
- Millions of transformers, relays, and controls
- 100s of Billions of dollars in total investments in transmission and distribution

Electric Utility Major Blackouts

- Northeast Power Blackout August 14, 2003



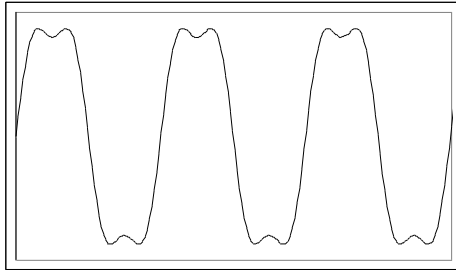
Source: http://www.globalsecurity.org/eye/blackout_2003.htm

~50M people effected

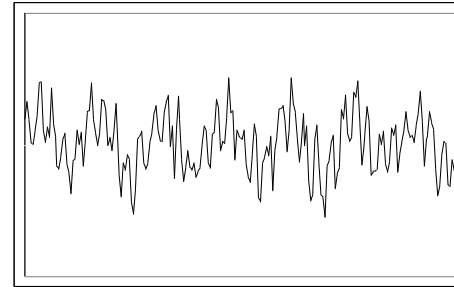
~6Billion in financial losses

- Western US Blackout August 1996
 - High demand, heat wave, and sagging power lines
- New York City Blackout July 1977
- Northeast Blackout November 1965

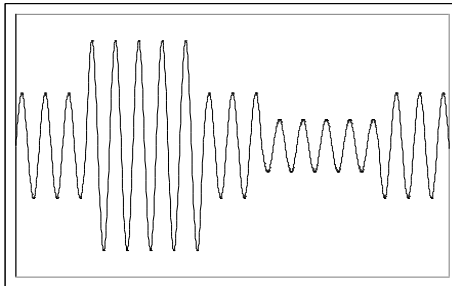
Other Electric Utility Challenges



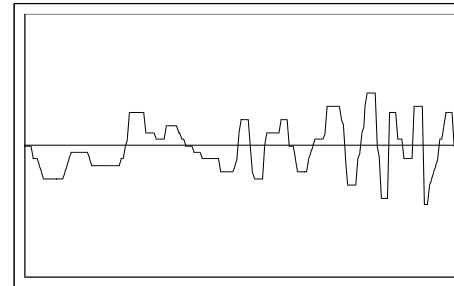
Harmonic Distortion



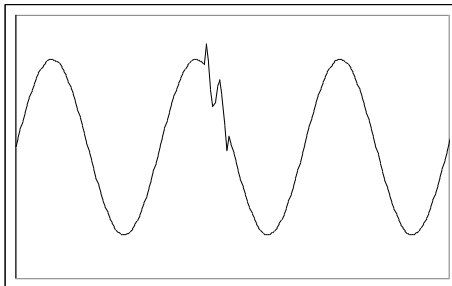
Voltage Flickers



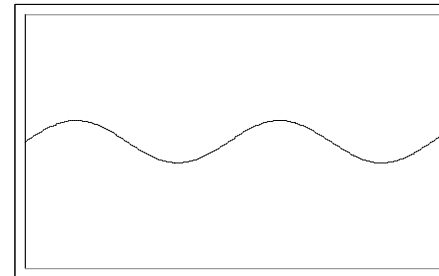
Voltage Swells & Sags



Frequency Oscillations



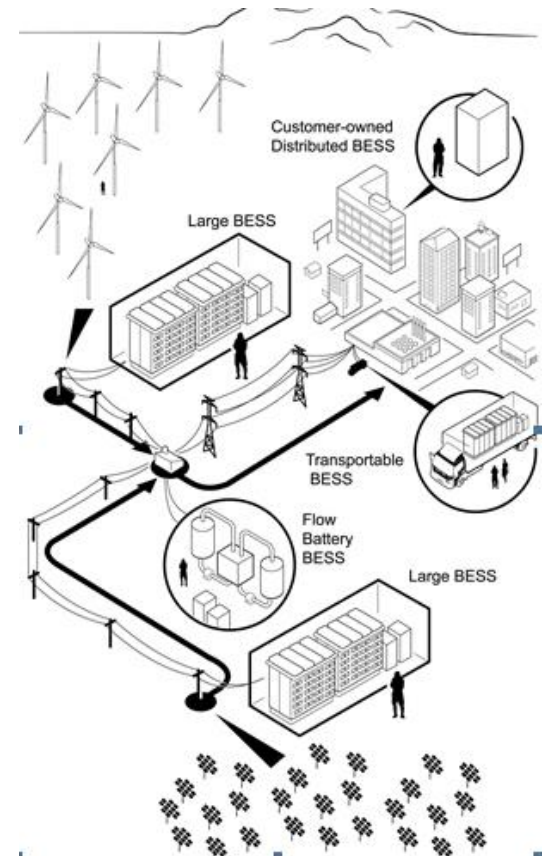
Oscillatory Transients



Subsynchronous Resonance

Energy Storage Rationale

- Transmission capacity limitations – curtailment of renewable sources during peak energy production
- Next generation grid (i.e. Smart Grids) – complex distributed controls of multiple sources and loads
- Increase penetration of variable energy sources (i.e. PV and Wind energy) – State renewable portfolio standards
- Bidirectional flow of energy from distributed energy resources
- Transmission deferrals combined with load growth



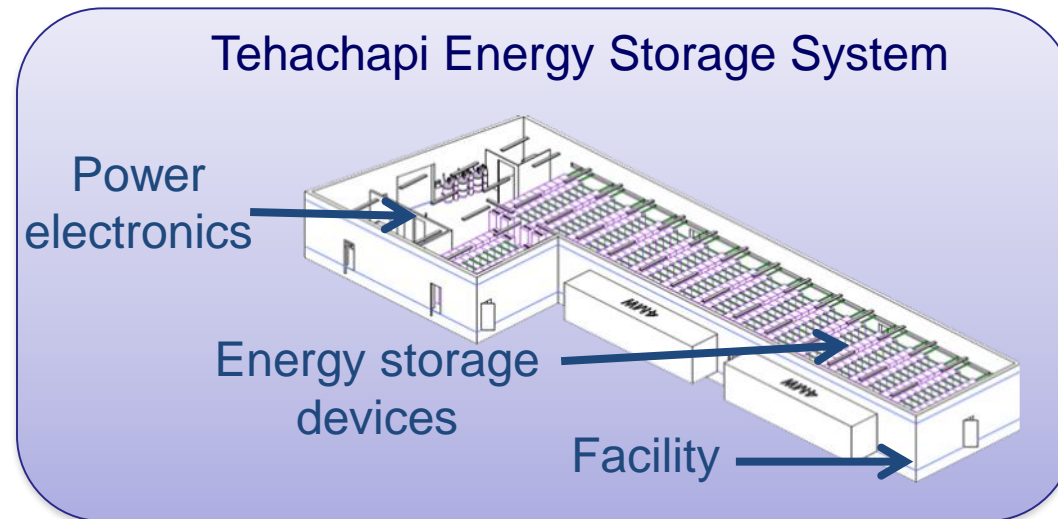
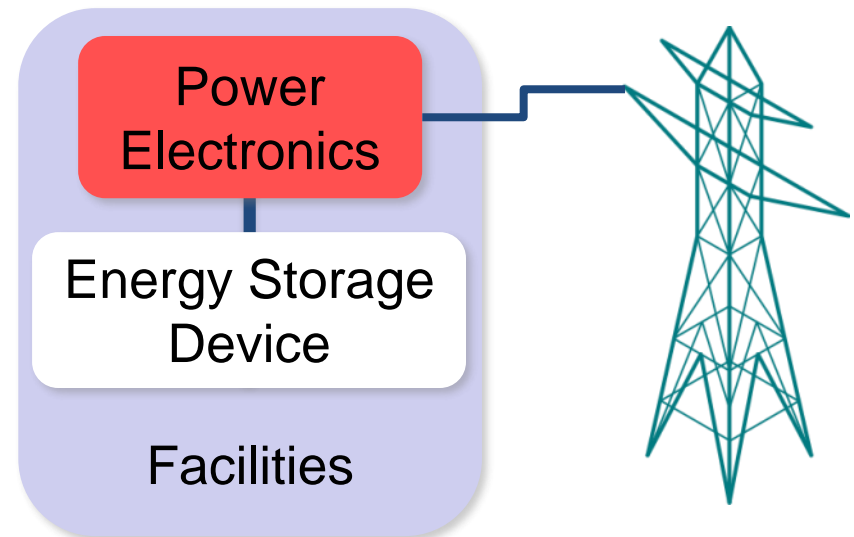
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Energy Storage System Configuration

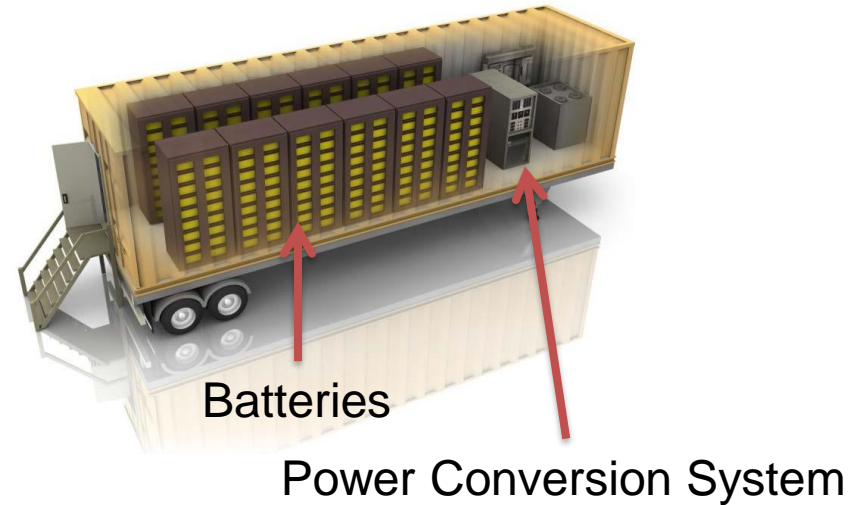
Energy Storage Systems contain three major components:

- Energy storage device
 - Where energy is held until needed
 - Ex: chemical/electrolyte (used in battery), flywheel, etc.
 - ~25-40% of overall costs
- Power electronics
 - Ensures proper and safe charge and discharge of storage device and can provide grid support
 - ~20-25% of overall costs
- Facilities (balance of plant)
 - Houses all equipment, protects system from physical damage
 - Can include HVAC
 - ~20-25% of system costs

Other costs: consulting, financing, shipping, installation



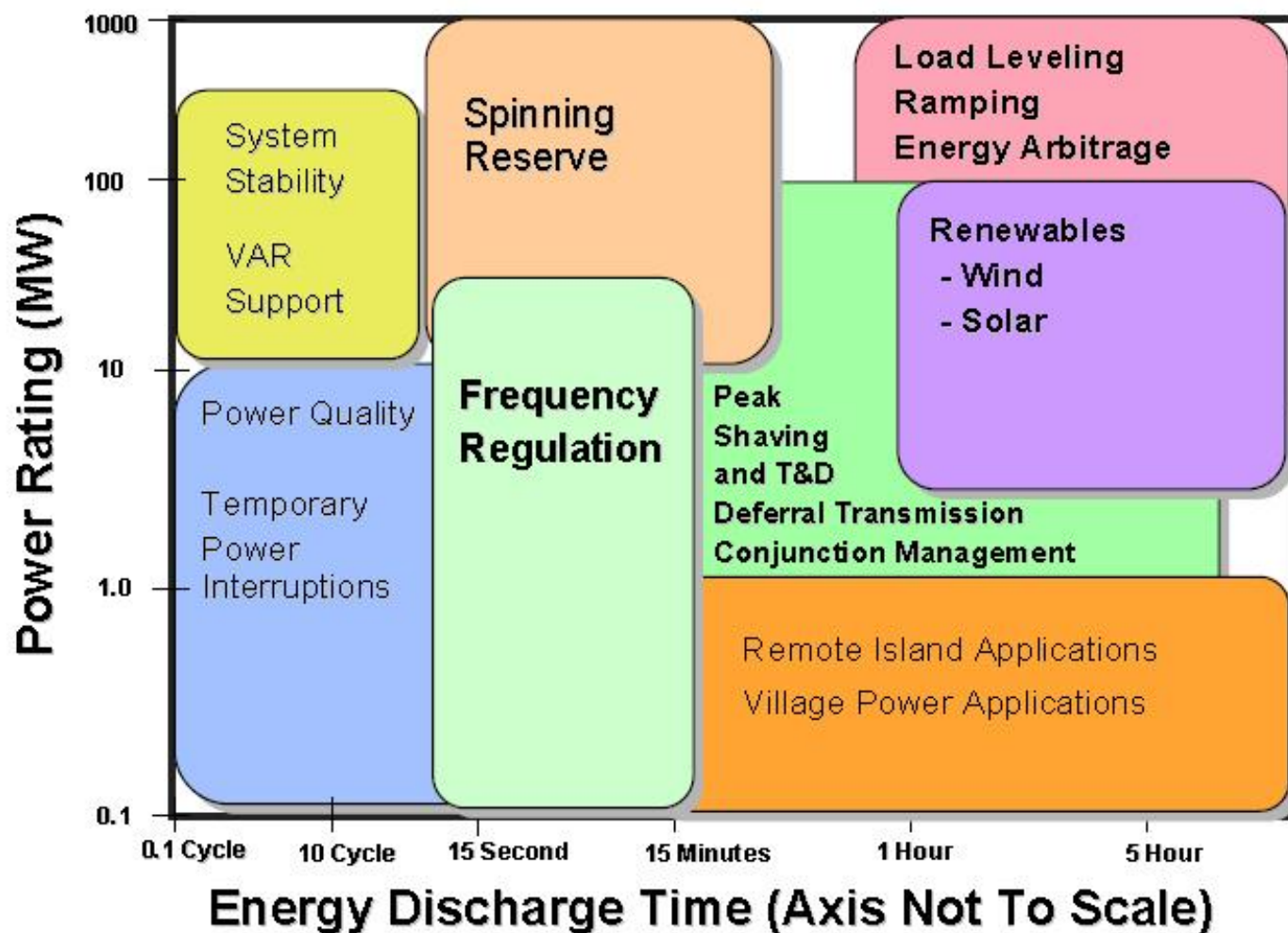
Transportable Energy Storage Systems



Benefits

- Lower Installation Cost
- Less Time from Installation to Operation
- Use at Multiple Sites Optimizes Overall System Use

Power and Energy



Source: Electric Power Research Institute

Energy Storage Technologies

Energy

- Pumped Hydro
- Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
- Batteries
 - Sodium Sulfur (NaS)
 - Flow Batteries
 - Lead Acid
 - Advanced Lead Carbon
 - Lithium Ion
- Flywheels
- SMES
- Electrochemical Capacitors

Power

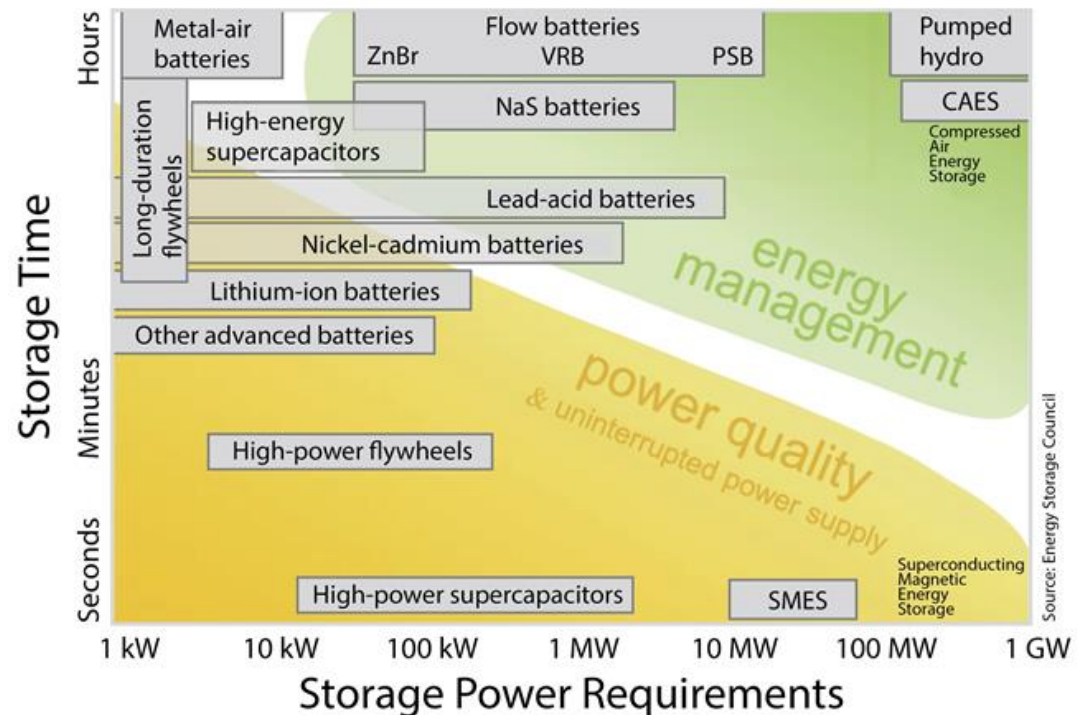
Two regimes, multiple technologies:

Power – short discharges (sec to min):

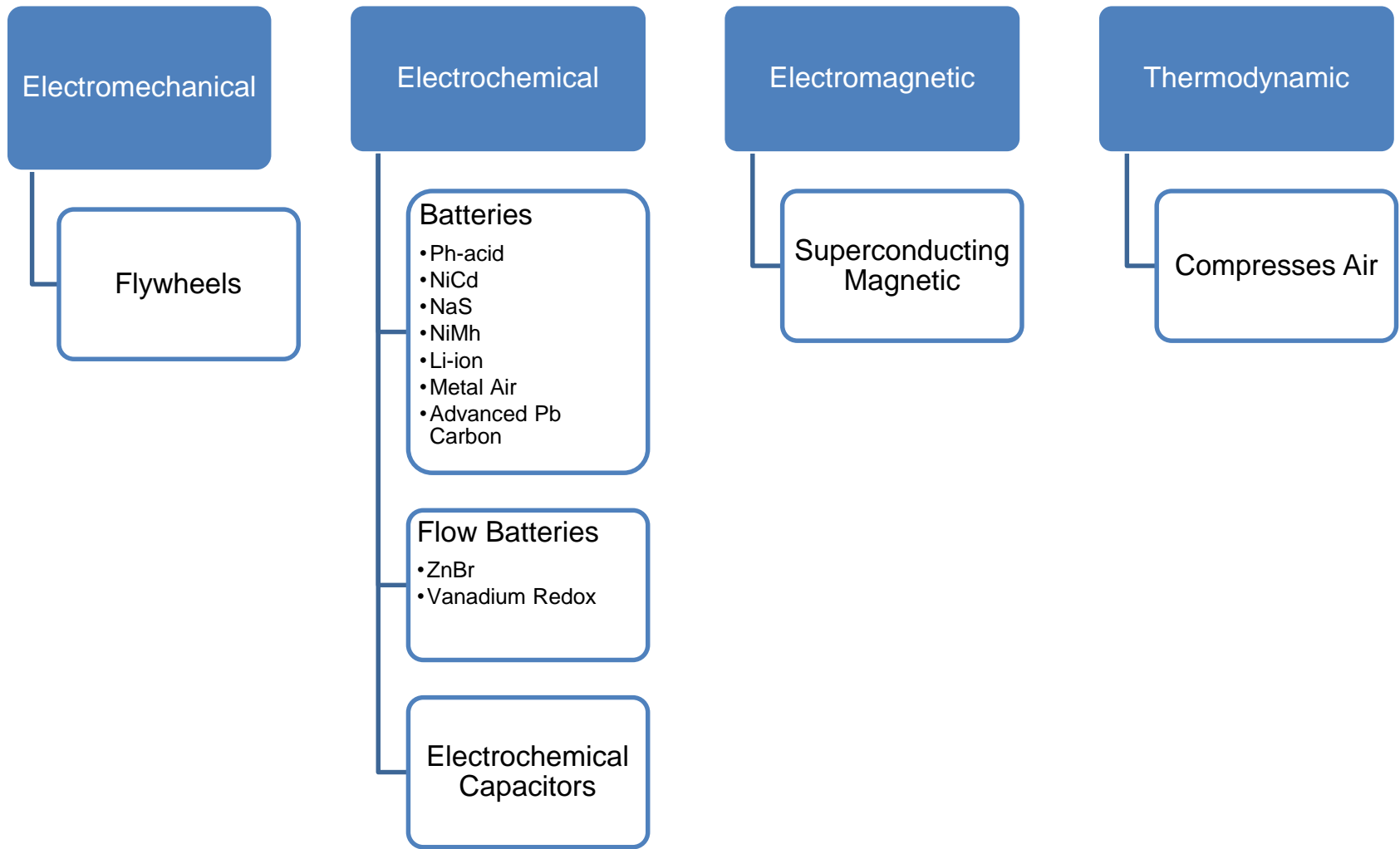
flywheels, capacitors, SMES, some batteries

Energy – long discharges (min to hr):

batteries, H₂ fuel cells, CAES, pumped hydro

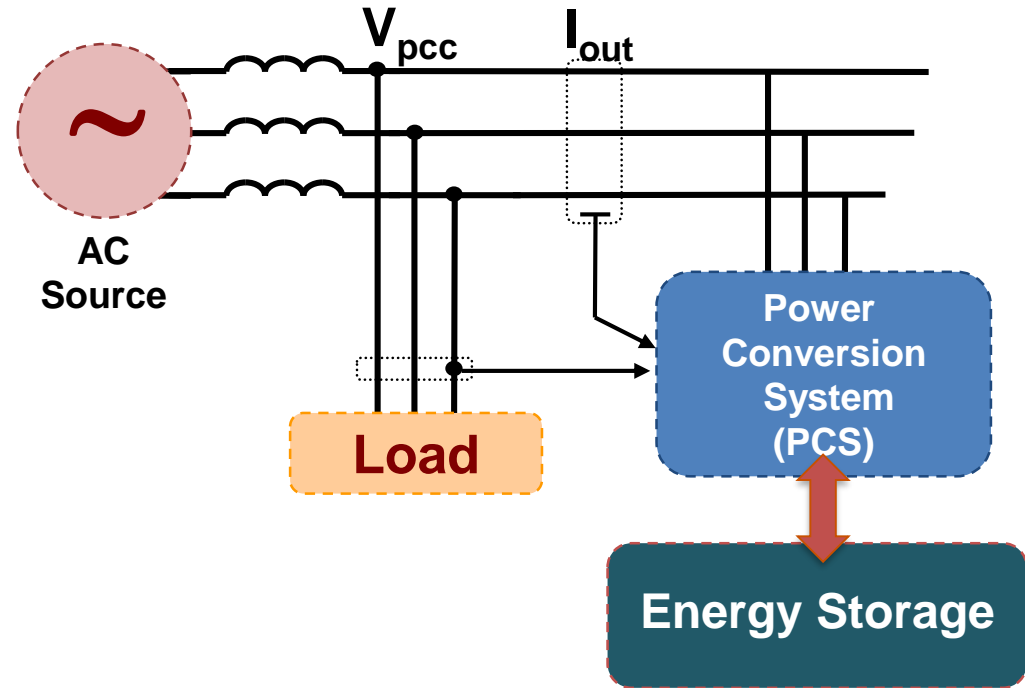


Energy Storage Classification



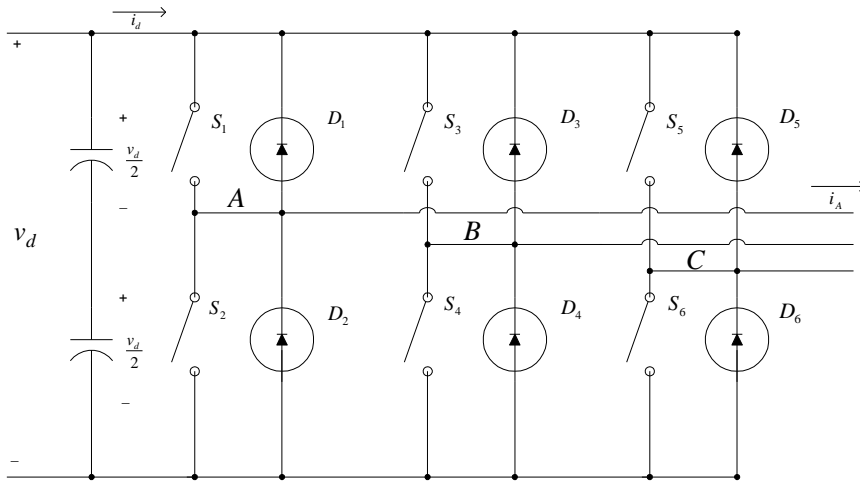
Why is DOE OE/Sandia interested in power electronics?

- Needs:
 - Reduce install cost/kW
 - Decrease size and weight especially for transportable systems
 - Improve integration control
 - Increase reliability
 - Increase efficiency



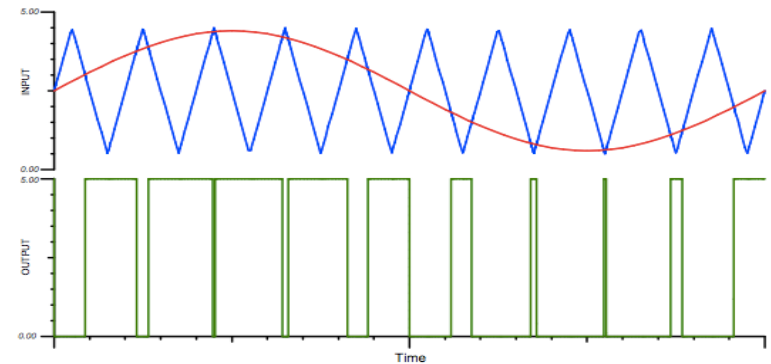
**The PCS is a key component of the energy storage system.
It can represent 20 to 60% of the total system cost.**

Power Conversion System

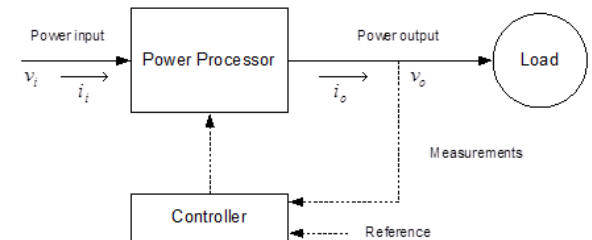


Three-phase inverter

- Single-Phase and Three-phase DC/AC inverter topologies
- Heart of the system – semiconductor switches
- PWM signal is constructed. The sawtooth wave and reference signal are compared in a controller shown in the block diagram. The resulting PWM signal is sent to the Power Processor



Construction of a PWM signal (output of a comparator (green) with a sawtooth wave (blue) and a reference signal (red))



Battery Energy Storage System

Background

- Electrochemical energy storage device
- Consist of one or more cells, main components include cathode (+)/anode (-) terminals, electrolytes, and separator. Converts chemical energy to electrical energy.
- Pb-acid, Li-ion, NaS, Metal Air, Advanced Pb C, etc.
- Key design objectives – high cell voltage, high energy or power formats, safe systems, and high reliability



18650 Cell

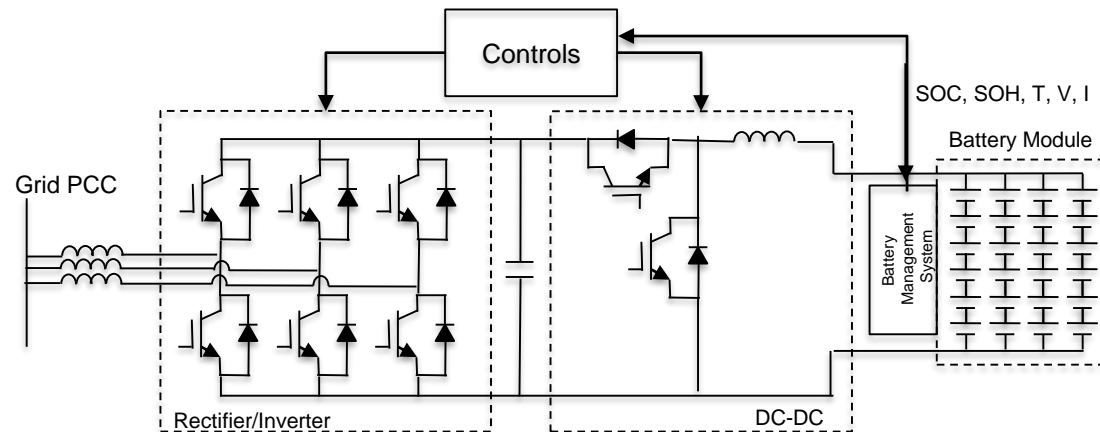


Benefits

- Applications – wide spectrum from PQ to peak shaving
- Power & energy range, few kW to 10s MW

Challenges

- Power conversion system, batteries, grid interconnect
- Reliability, safety, round trip efficiencies



Typical Electrical Configuration of a BESS

Flywheel Energy Storage System

$$(E - m_{ratio})_{max} \sim wmax$$

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2} \cdot I \cdot \omega^2$$

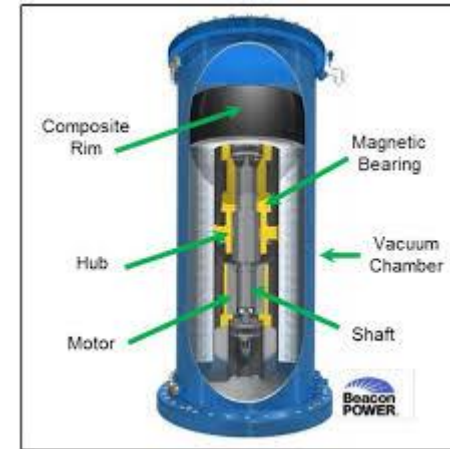
$$I = \frac{1}{2} m(r_1^2 + r_2^2)$$

$\omega = \text{angular velocity}$

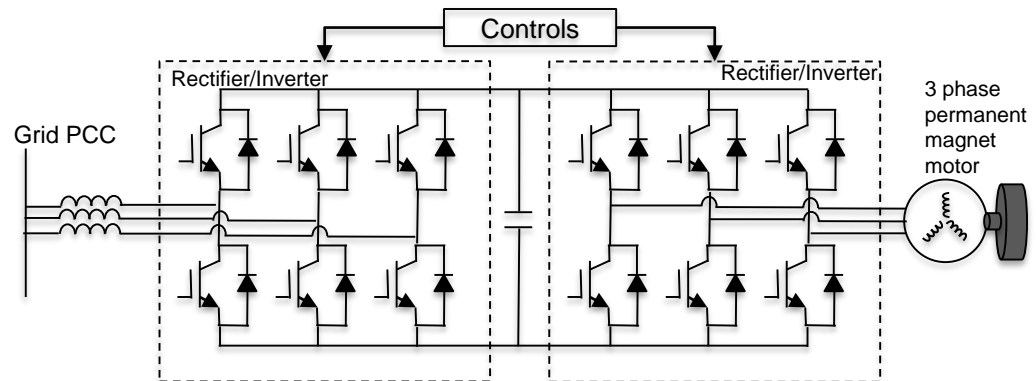
$I = \text{moment of inertia}$

$m = \text{mass}$

$r = \text{radius}$



Source: Beacon Power, LLC



Typical Electrical Configuration of a FWES

Background

- Kinetic energy storage device
- Low speed FW, steel, up to 300-400 m/s tip speed
- High speed FW, composite, 600-1000 m/s tip speed

Benefits

- High power, high cycle, low energy applications (i.e. Power quality, frequency regulation, transient stability, UPS)
- Inherent long cycle life, $>10^6$ cycles
- Energy range, < 1 kWh to 100s kWh

Challenges

- High frequency composite FW -> high BW power conversion system
- Balance of system cost

Superconducting Magnetic Energy Storage System

Background

- Magnetic energy storage device
- Energy stored in magnetic field generated by the current in the superconducting coil (i.e. $R \sim 0$ ohms). Energy released when coil is discharged.
- Since $R \sim 0$ ohms, charge and discharge is very quick

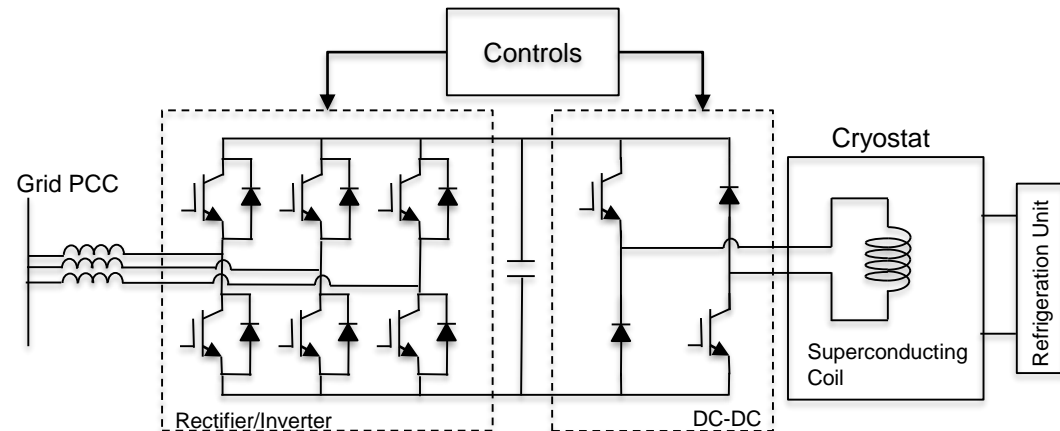
$$E = \frac{1}{2} \cdot L \cdot I^2$$

Benefits

- High power and cycling applications (Power quality, transient stability, frequency regulation, UPS)
- Power range, 10s MW to 100s MW

Challenges

- Balance of system cost
- Low energy density

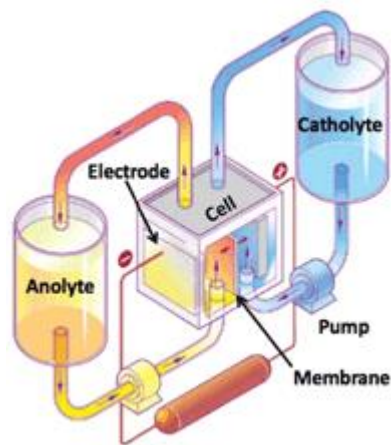


Typical Electrical Configuration of a SMES

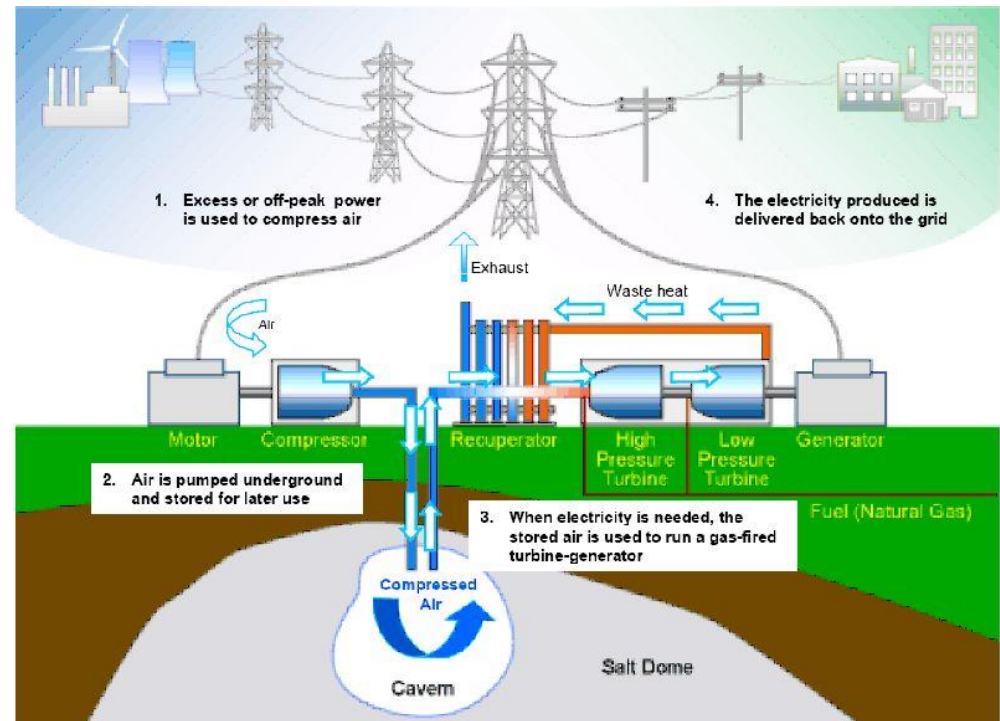
Other Energy Storage Technologies



Electrochemical Capacitor Energy Storage



Flow Battery Energy Storage

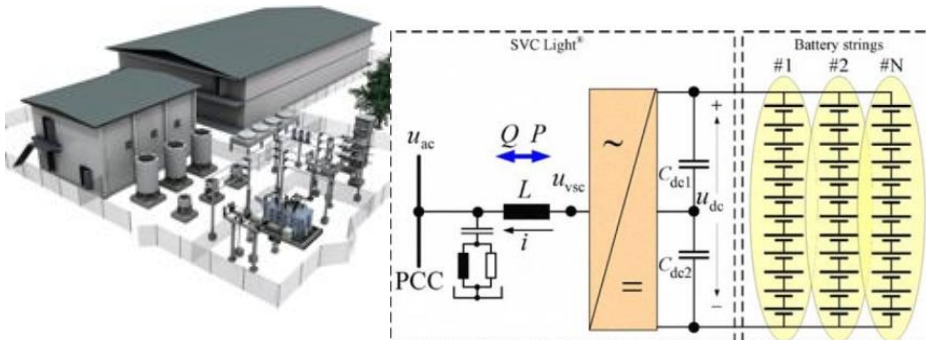


Compressed Air Energy Storage

Examples of Large Energy Storage Demonstrations

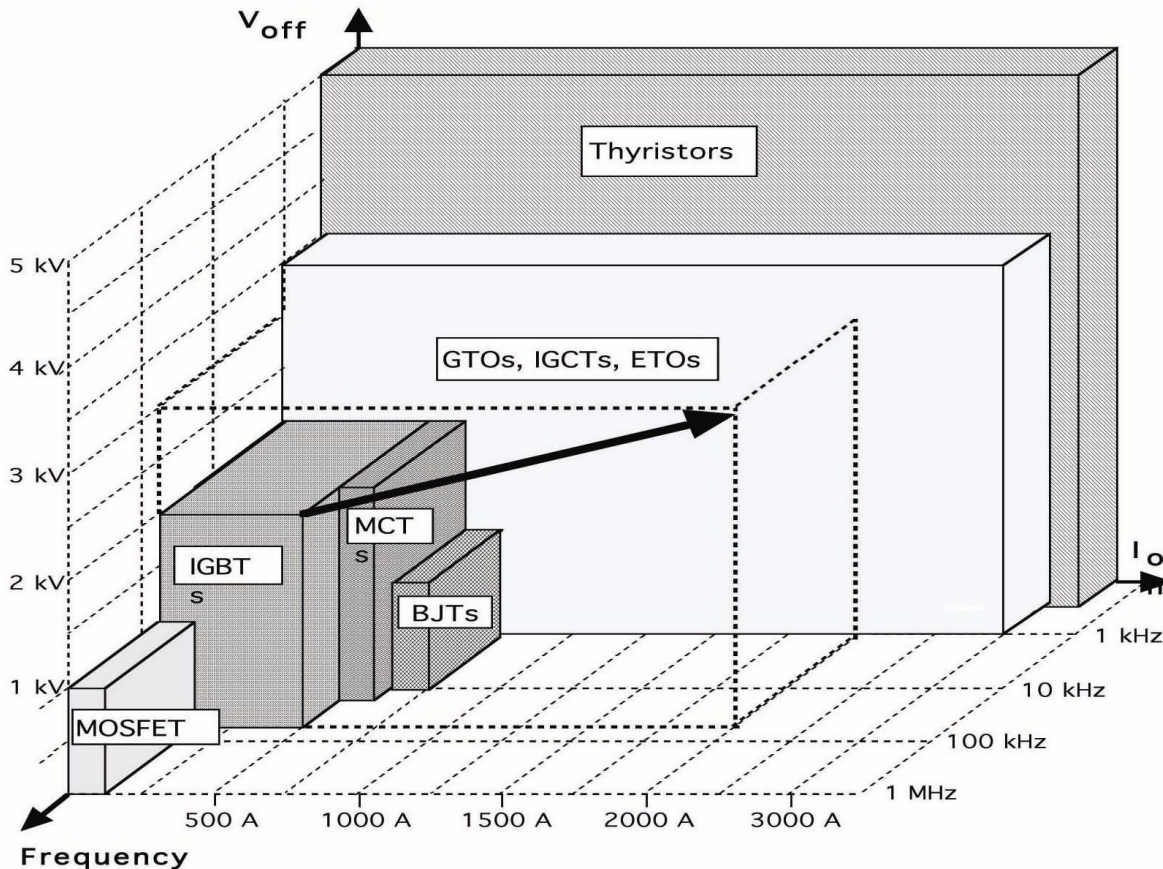


- Golden Valley Electric Authority (GVEA), Fairbanks, Alaska
 - Ni-Cd Battery (5kV, 3.68kAh)
 - 46 MW for 5 minutes
 - ABB power electronics



- SVC light pilot system near Norfolk, England
 - Li-ion (5.8kV, 200kWh)
 - 600kW for 15 minutes
 - ABB power electronics

Silicon Semiconductor Device Capabilities



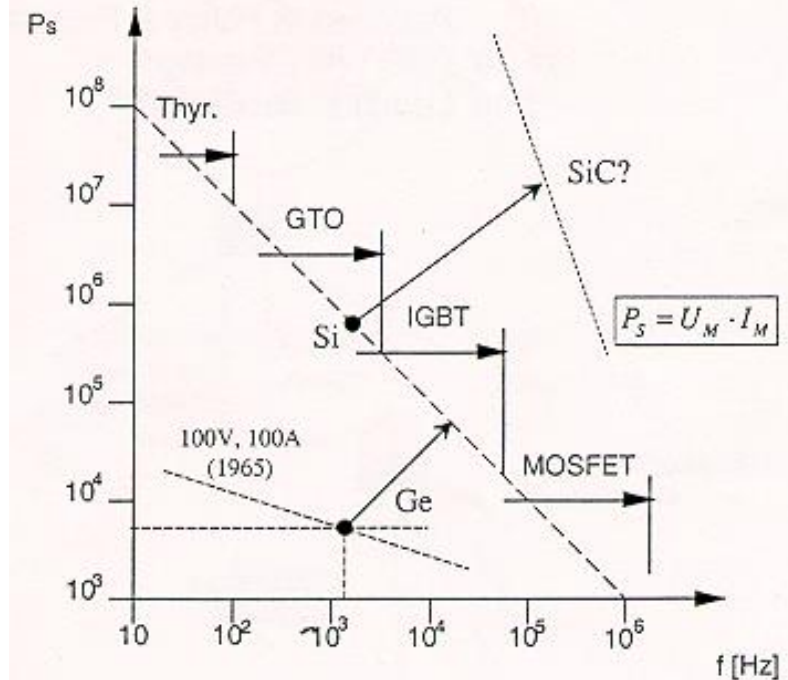
Trends:

- Increase Voltage/Current Ratings
- Increase Switching Frequency
- Lower Switching Losses
- Improve Drives
- More Integration
 - Self Protection & Diagnostics
- Lower Inductance

Source: Mohan, Undeland, and Robbins, Power Electronics: Converters, Applications and Design 3rd Edition (John Wiley & Sons, 2002)

WBG device benefits

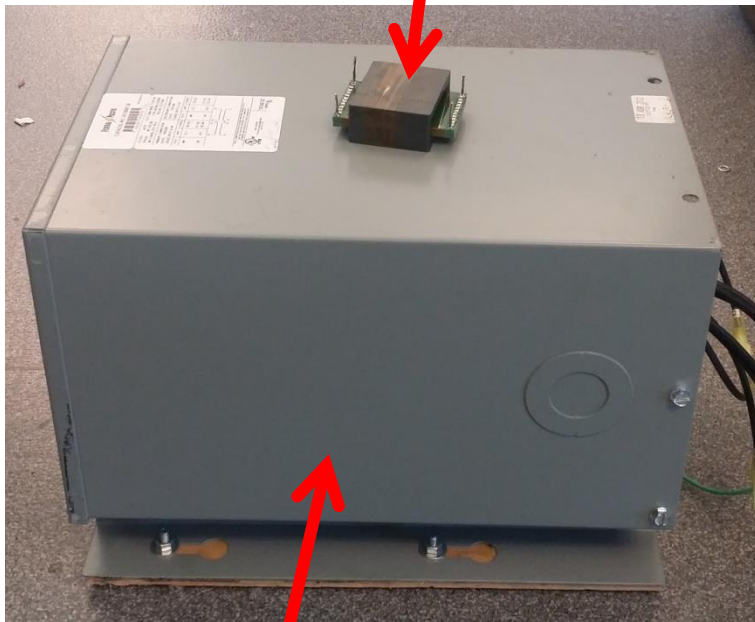
- Advantages
 - High Frequency Operation
 - Lower Switching Losses
 - Higher Blocking Voltages
 - Higher Operating Temperature
 - Higher Efficiencies
- Disadvantages
 - Expensive
 - Limited Current Level



Source: Power Electronics Technology at the Dawn of the New Millenium – Status & Future

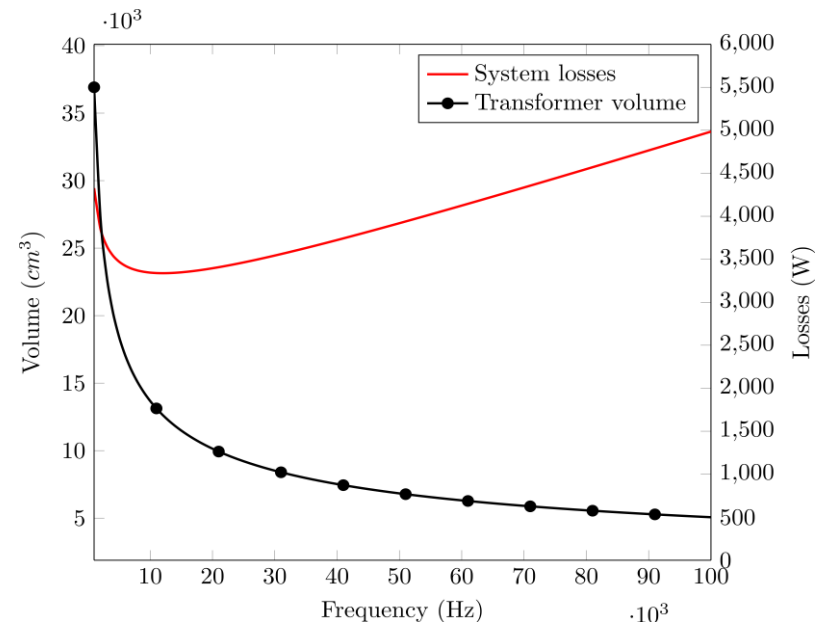
High Switching Frequency Benefits

100 kHz Ferrite Transformer
8 kW – 328 grams (0.72 lbs)



60 Hz Si-Steel Transformer
7.5 kVA – 150 lbs

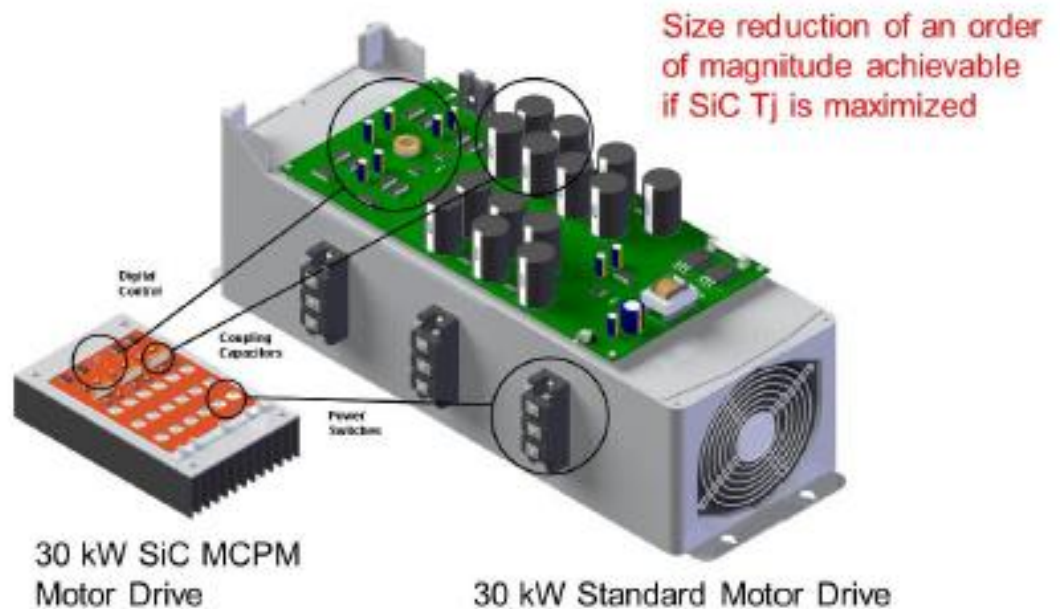
Source: Wolfspeed



Source: S. Kulasekaran, R. Ayyanar, S. Atcitty,
*Switching frequency optimization of a high-frequency link
based energy storage system*, IECON 2014-40th Annual
Conference of the IEEE IES, Oct 29 -Nov 1, 2014, pp. 1847-
1853

Example Benefit of Using SiC switches

- Miniaturize power electronics systems by employing WBG power devices in high temperature and high efficiency design
- Passive cooling
- Higher switching frequency



Source: Wolfspeed

Example: 30kW SiC Inverter



30kW Bidirectional Inverters

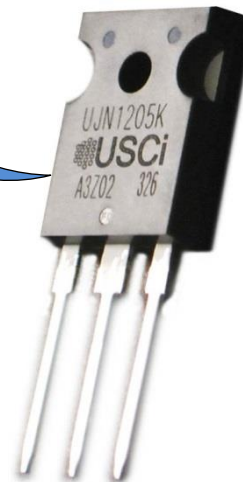


1200V Si-IGBT
6kHz
Floor Mount



1200V SiC-JFET
20kHz
Wall Mount

- Power Density Increase by >3X due to faster switching – From 6kHz to 20kHz
- Peak Efficiency Increase of ~ 2%
- Power stage uses USCi 1200V SiC-JFET



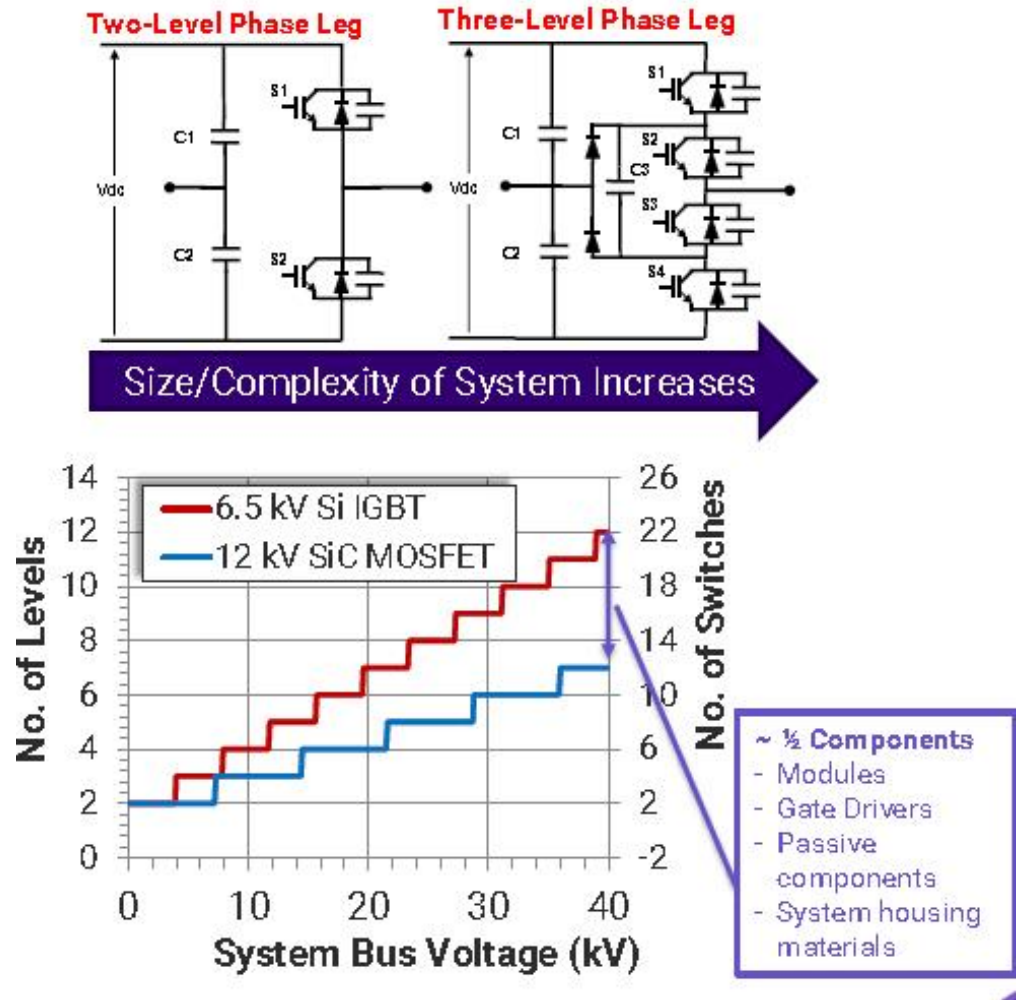
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Parameter	Value	Unit
$R_{DS(on)}$	80	m Ω
V_{DS}	1200	V
T_{max}	175	°C

Source: USCi

High voltage SiC – reduce system, size and complexity

- To increase system bus voltage, multi-level converter designs are typically used
- The number of power switches used in such systems can be reduced
- Fewer components – lower cost, higher efficiency, higher reliability

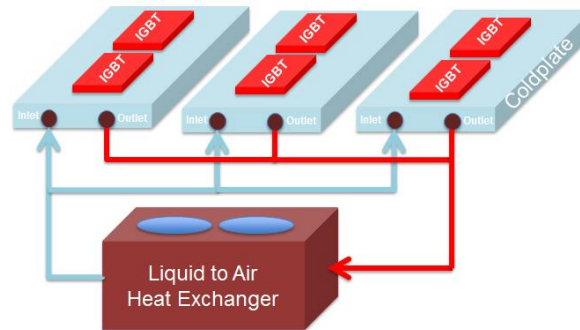


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Thermal Management Reduction



Source: EPC Power Corporation

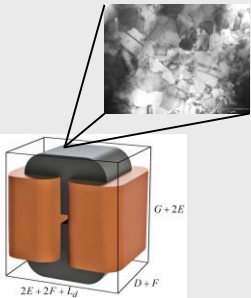
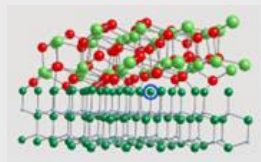


Source: Aavid Thermalloy

- Current energy storage PCS use complex liquid cooling systems or hybridized liquid/forced air systems for the semiconductor switches and magnetics
 - Bulky
 - Maintenance cost can be high
- WBG devices along with peripheral components having a higher temperature operation can reduce thermal management requirements
 - Less efficient but smaller and cheaper cooling systems can be used resulting in higher power density PCS designs
 - Lower maintenance cost

Energy Storage Power Electronics Program

Materials R&D



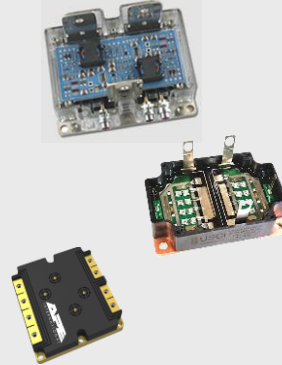
- Gate Oxide R&D
- Advanced Magnetics

Devices



- ETO
- SiC Thyristors
- Monolithically integrated SiC transistors
- WBG Characterization & Reliability
- High energy dielectric capacitors

Power Modules



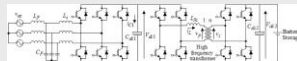
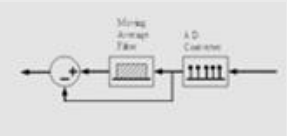
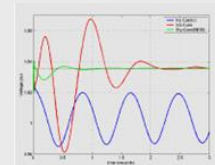
- SiC High Temp/density Power Module
- HV SiC JFET Module
- HV, HT Reworkable SiC half-bridge modules

Power Conversion System



- Dstatcom plus energy storage for wind energy
- Optically isolated MW Inverter
- High density inverter with integrated thermal management
- High temp power inverter

Applications



- FACTS and Energy Storage
- Power smoothing and control for renewables
- Dual active bridge for advanced energy storage system designs

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