

Energy Storage Overview



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Hawaii PUC, Dec. 7, 2018, Honolulu: ES Introductory Workshop

California Energy Commission (CEC), June 14, 2019, Sacramento: Energy Storage Academy

Southeastern PUCs - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, North Carolina, Virginia, July 17-18, Birmingham: Second Southeast Energy Storage Symposium and PUC Workshop (with Southern Research)

New Mexico PRC workshops are ongoing

NECPUC, New Jersey, Texas, and Iowa PUC workshops are being planned



Kentucky Public Service Commission



The “energy transition” is happening now

If you were in a shipwreck and a piano top came floating by, you might climb up on top of it and use it as a life preserver. But if you were in the business of designing life preservers, you probably would not make one in the shape of a piano top.

Buckminster Fuller, Operating Manual for Spaceship Earth, 1969

Climate crisis

Declining costs for renewables

Public Health

Geopolitics

Ecosystem Health



Energy dynamics are fundamentally different

- Demand is flat or declining -- little demand for new generation
- “Decarbonization” and “electrification” are on the rise
- Coal is phasing out
- PV + storage is supplanting old and new gas peakers
- Wholesale and retail markets are shifting
- 100-year-old electricity business model is history

The job of regulatory commissions is more complicated than it has ever been.

Energy storage (ES) is fundamentally different

Energy storage . . .

- Is both a load and a generation source
- Facilitates demand management
- Defers new generation and transmission infrastructure
- Unleashes the power of renewables
- Provides various services and value streams
- Provides flexibility, resilience, and reliability



ES Terms & Language

- Watt (W) - 1 Joule/second (~4 Joules = 1 calorie, the energy required to raise 1 gm of water 1° C)
- kW, MW, TW - a measure of maximum generation capacity -- **POWER**
- kWh, MWh, TWh - a measure of capacity * time -- **ENERGY**
 - A 40 MW, 4 hr battery = 160 MWh
 - A 40 MW, 40 MWh battery = 40MW for an hour, 20 MW for 2 hours, etc.

“Energy” applications >30 min. time scale, long duration of energy

Energy Applications

Arbitrage
Renewable energy time shift
Demand charge reduction
Time-of-use charge reduction
T&D upgrade deferral
Grid resiliency

“Power” applications <15 min. time scale, fast control of the electric grid

Power Applications

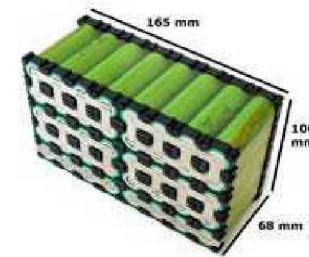
Frequency regulation
Voltage support
Small signal stability
Frequency droop
Synthetic inertia
Renewable capacity firming

ES Terms & Language, cont'd

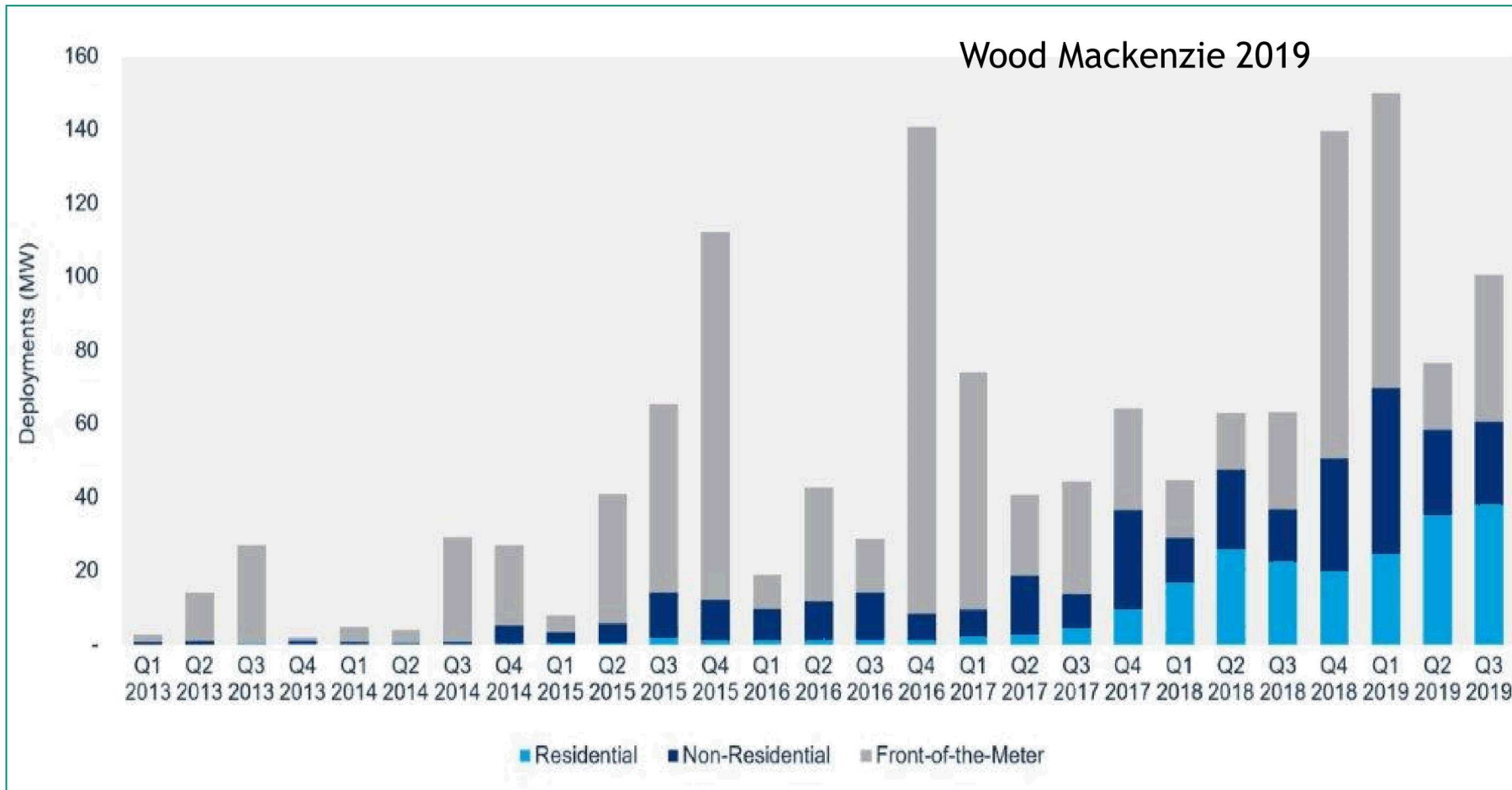
ES evaluation focuses on:

Cost, Capacity, Duration, and Lifetime

- **Cost** -- \$/kWh/cell
- **Capacity** - kW, MW, TW
- **Duration** - kW/h, MW/h, etc.
- **Cycles** - the number of times a storage device can be charged and discharged
- **Depth of discharge** - the depth to which discharge occurs relative to capacity
- **Energy density** -- ratio of energy from a battery to battery mass
- **Round trip efficiency** -- refers to energy losses that occur (or don't) in each cycle of the device (for batteries ~approx. 70-80% is good . . .)



U.S. Battery Deployments, 2013 - 2019



899 MW of grid-scale storage deployment in US by 2019, 2.5 GW projected for 2023 (US EIA)

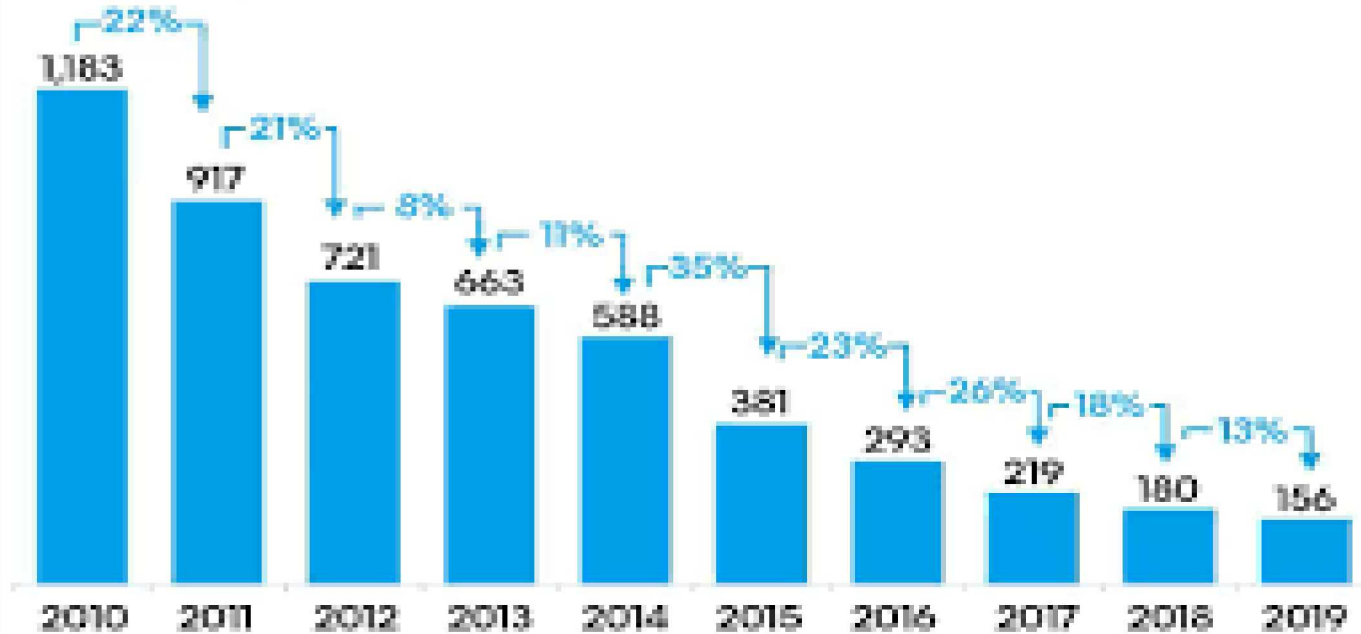
Grid-scale battery storage still < 0.1% of U.S. generation capacity

EV's < 1% of vehicles sold in US

Battery costs are dropping fast

Lithium-ion battery price survey results: Volume-weighted average

Battery pack price (real 2019 \$/kWh)



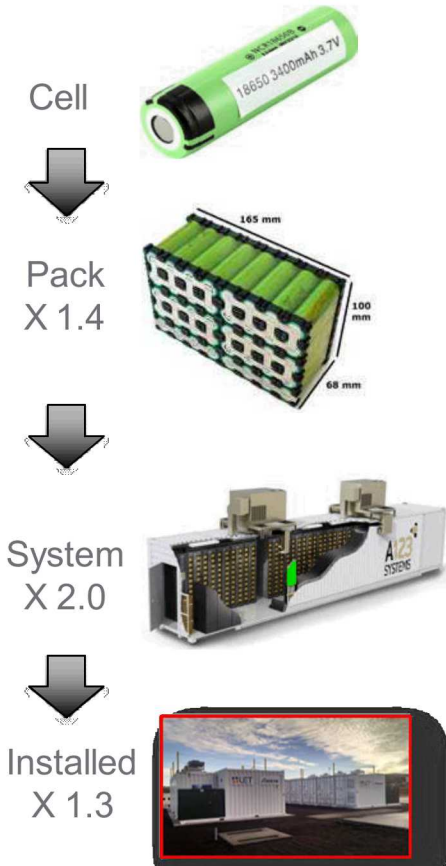
BloombergNEF

<https://insideevs.com/news/386024/bloombergnef-battery-prices-156-kwh-2019/>

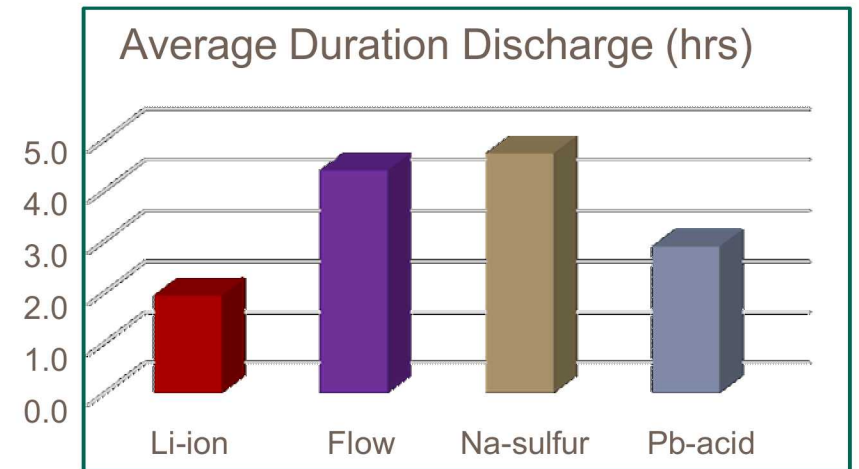
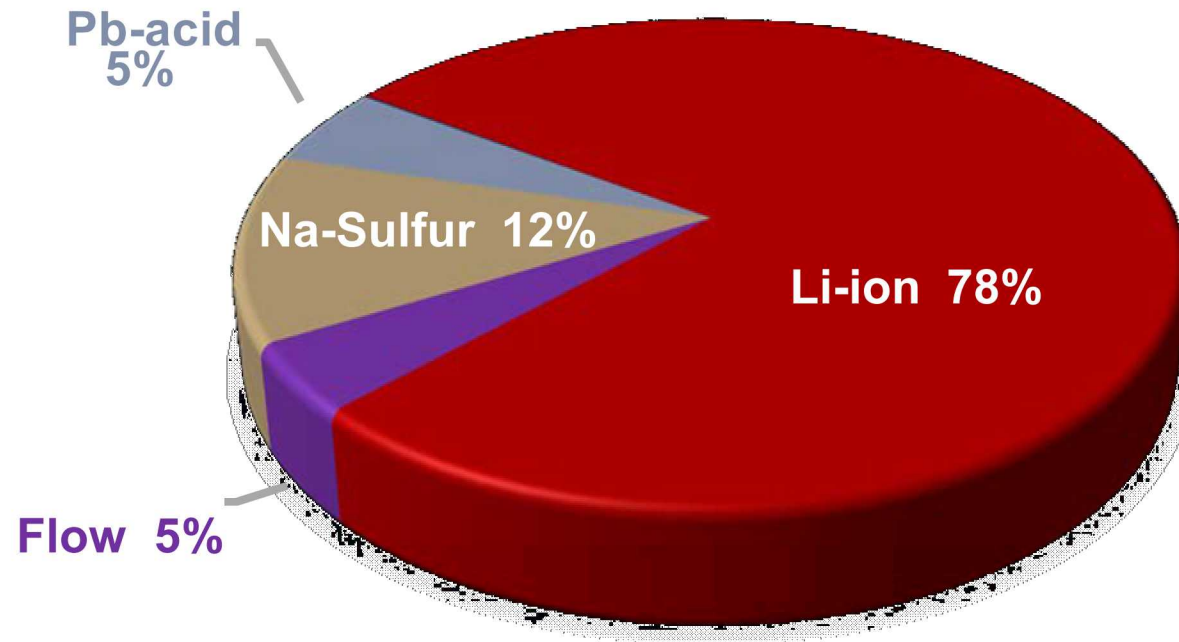
13 kWh Tesla Powerwall now sells for about \$481/kWh

\$150/kWh cell ➡ **\$~750/kWh system**

Big savings now are not in the cells, but in the systems . . .



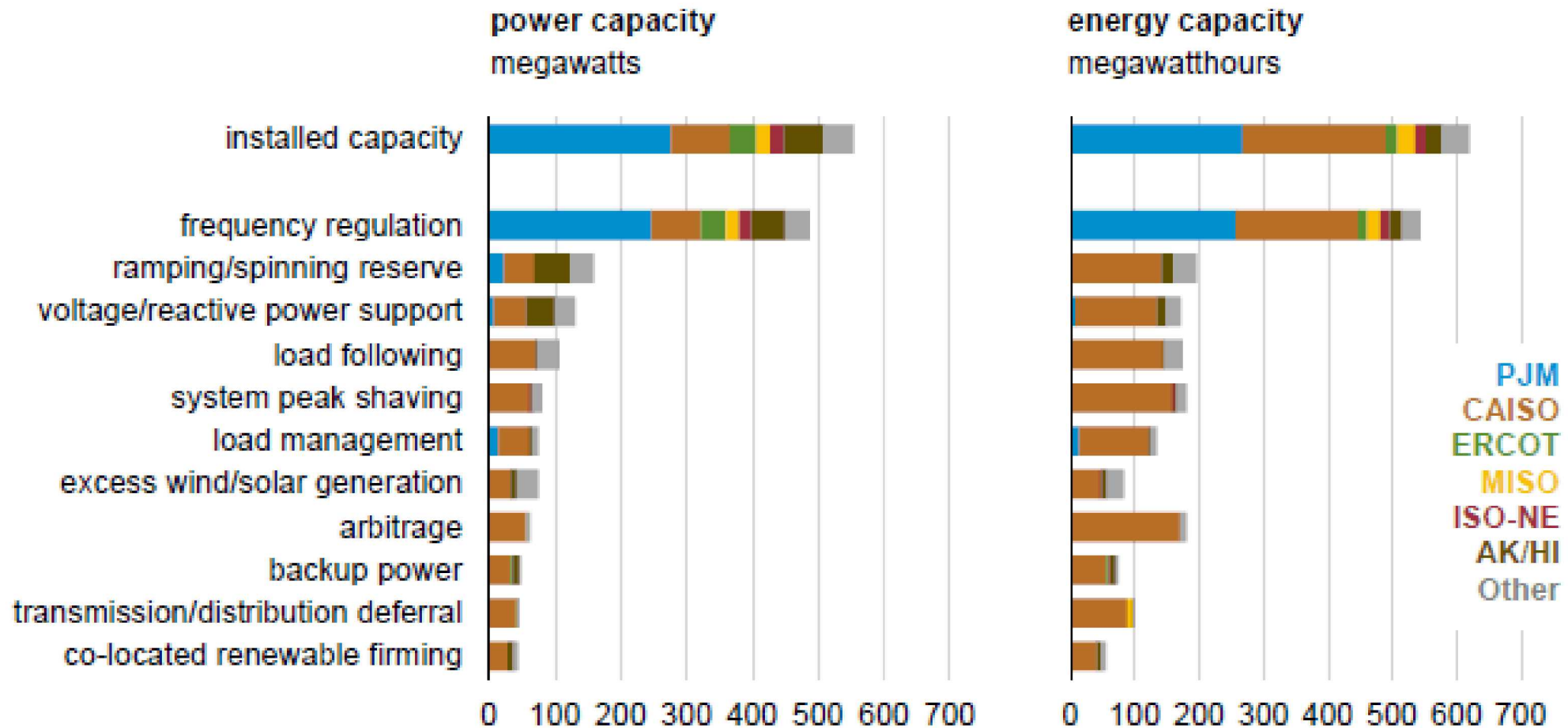
Battery energy storage deployments



**Operational as of Nov. 2017 - being updated for 2018*

Source: DOE Global Energy Storage Database <http://www.energystorageexchange.org/>, Nov. 2017

Applications served by U.S. Large Scale BESSs (2016)



As costs go down, size and duration go up

Shift from primarily providing ancillary services to increasingly providing capacity / resource adequacy

All battery storage installed 2003-2017:
800 MW / 1200 MWh

Single PG&E battery in 2020:
300 MW / 1200 MWh

DER storage aggregations
to follow (largest
today ~20 MW)

2008:
1 MW, 15 min
battery in PJM

2012:
36 MW, 40
min battery
in ERCOT

2016:
30 MW, 4hr
battery in
SDG&E

2017:
100 MW, 75
min battery in
Australia

2020:
300 MW, 4 hr
battery in
PG&E (*approved*)

Optimal PV, wind, and ES capacity requirement for PNM to meet 100% carbon free goal

	<u>Now</u>	<u>Needed⁴</u>
Energy Storage	3.75 MW ¹ (0.00375 GW or 0.08%)	5 GW / 25 GWh
Solar PV	818 MW ² (0.818 GW or 8%)	10 GW
Wind	1,953 MW ³ (1.953 GW or 40%)	5 GW
¹ Global Energy Storage Database 2019; ² Solar Energy Industries Association 2019		
³ American Wind Energy Assoc. 2019; ⁴ Copp et al., in press		

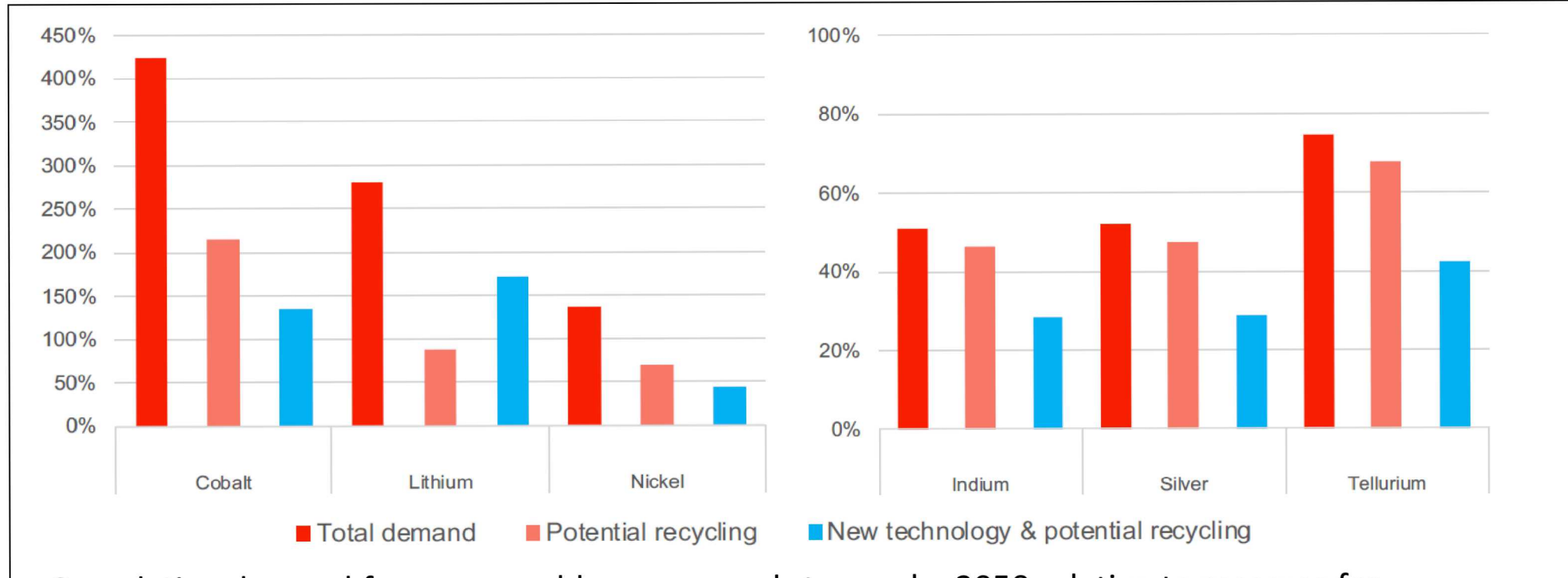
Optimal Sizing of Distributed Energy Resources for 100% Renewable Planning

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RE & ES Challenges






Cumulative demand from renewable energy and storage by 2050 relative to reserves for selected battery metals (left) and solar PV metals (right).

Dominish, E., Floin, N., and Teske, S., 2019. Responsible Minerals Sourcing for Renewable Energy. Institute for Sustainable Futures, University of Technology Sydney.

- Toxic mining
- Toxic waste
- Insufficient LCA

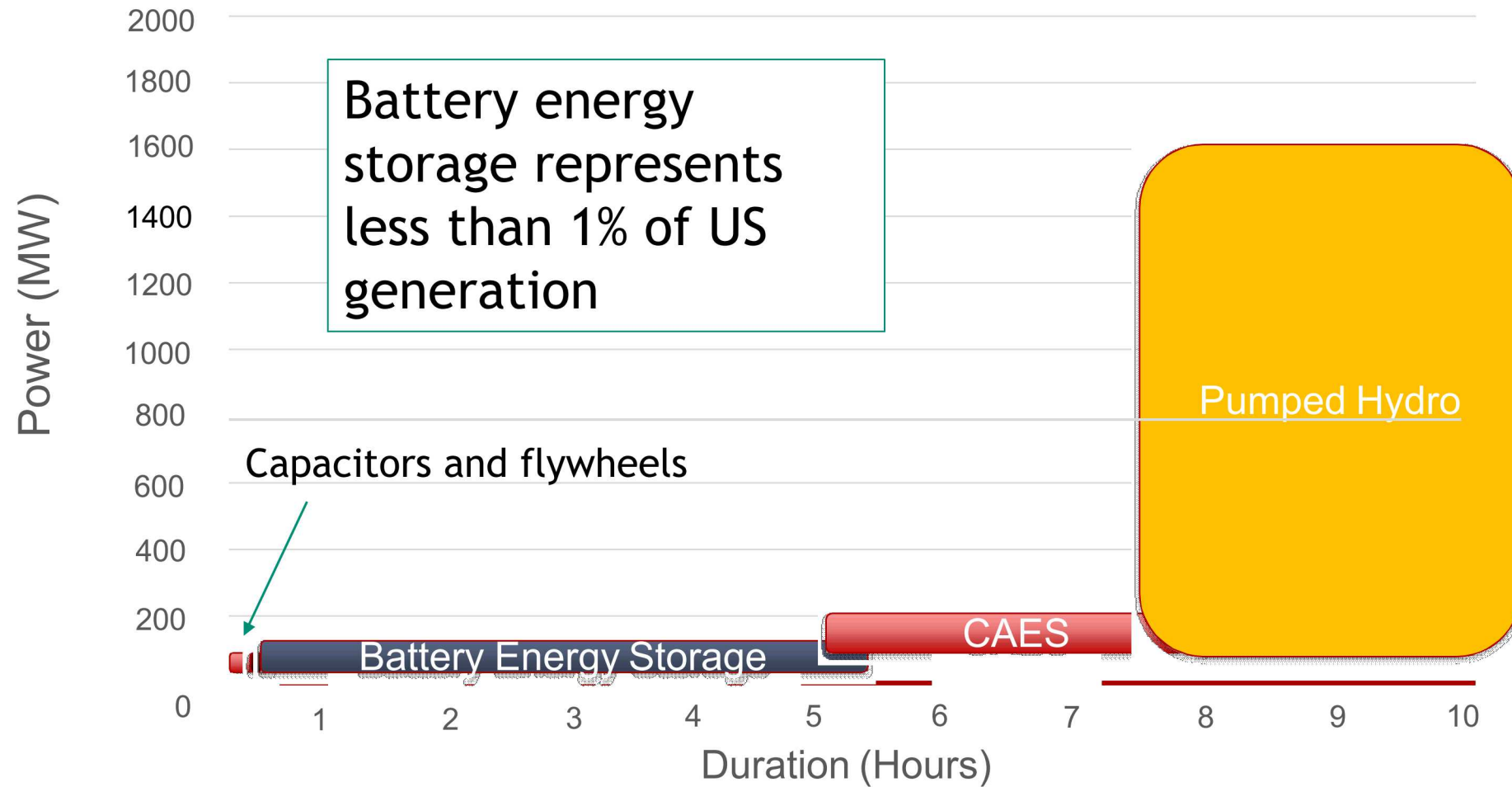
- Child labor
- Inadequate recycling
- Inadequate substitutes
- Short duration

- Inadequate cradle-to-cradle design (circular economy)



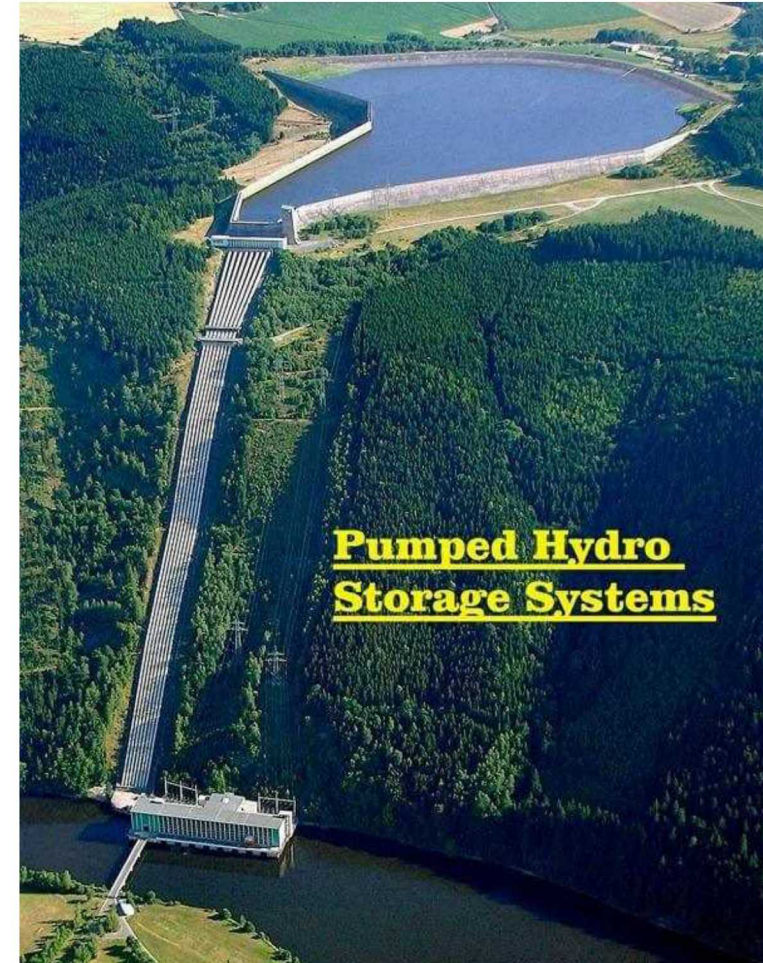
Electromechanical, Capacitor, Thermal, and Gravitational Technologies

Energy Storage Technologies



Pumped Hydro

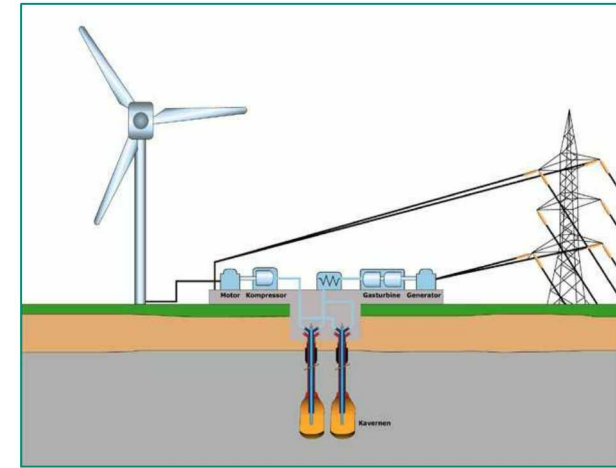
- Largest global and US ES capacity (95%)
- Potentially long duration (6h to 22h)
- High power capacity (GWs)
- Mature technology
- 70-80% round trip efficiency
- Long Life (20+ years)
- Broad applications
- Low energy density
- Slower response (seconds to minutes)
- Net energy consumer
- High initial costs
- Tough to site new projects in the US



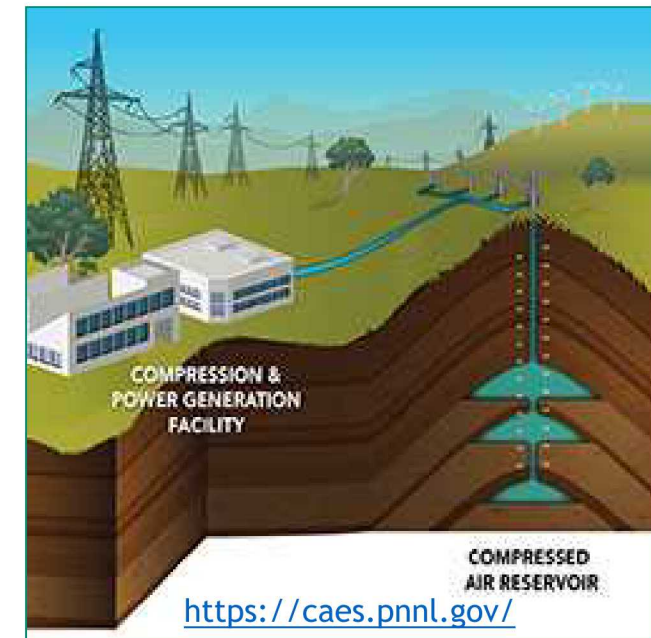
<https://www.windpowerengineering.com/pumped-hydro-storage-market-to-surpass-350-billion-by-2024/>

Compressed Air (CAES)

- Only 3 large-scale in the world – Germany (1) & U.S. (2)
- Potentially long duration (2h – 30h)
- High power capacity (100s MW)
- Long life (20 - 30 years)
- Many efforts at small scale applications
- Broad applications
- Low roundtrip efficiency (40-50%)
- Low energy density
- Slower response (seconds)
- Must be sited above geological repository (e.g., deep salt caverns)
- Initial costs are high



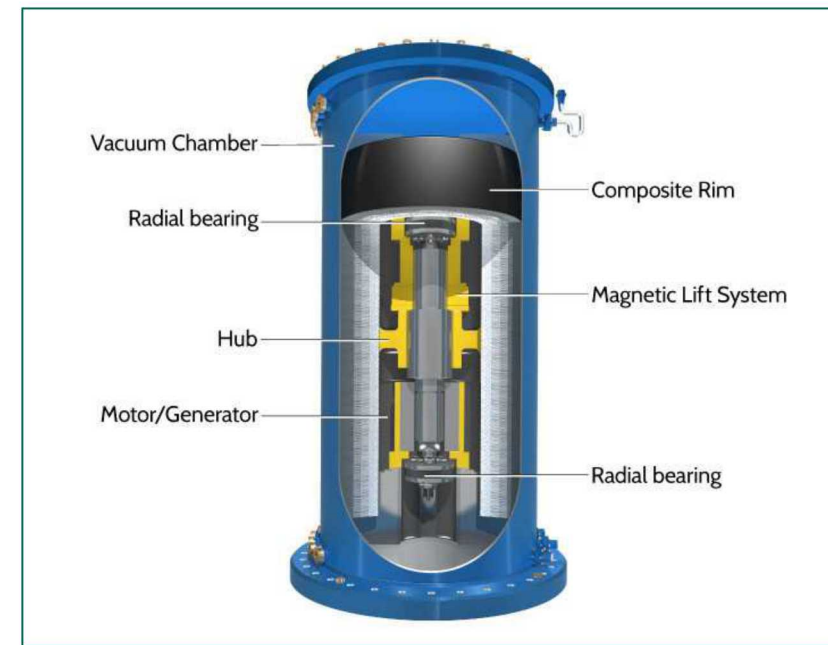
https://www.uigmbh.de/images/referenzen/CAES_animiert.gif



<https://caes.pnnl.gov/>

Flywheels

- High power capacity (MWs with banks of flywheels)
- High cycle life (millions)
- Very fast response (milliseconds)
- Broadly applied at many scales (potters wheels, steam engines, cars, large scale ES)
- Short term storage with limited grid applications (frequency and voltage regulation, transient stability, stopping and starting electric trains)



<https://beaconpower.com/carbon-fiber-flywheels/>



20 MW Frequency Regulation Plant, Hazle,

PA <https://beaconpower.com/hazle-township-pennsylvania/>

Super Capacitors

- Electrochemical . . .
- Long life (5-10 years)
- High cycle life (thousands to millions)
- Fast discharge (milliseconds)
- High round trip efficiency (95%)
- Broad applications – regenerative braking, laptops, photographic flashes cordless tools, defibrillators . . .
- No heavy metals
- Potential to replace Li-ion
- High cost
- Low energy density
- Limited grid applications (power quality, frequency regulation)

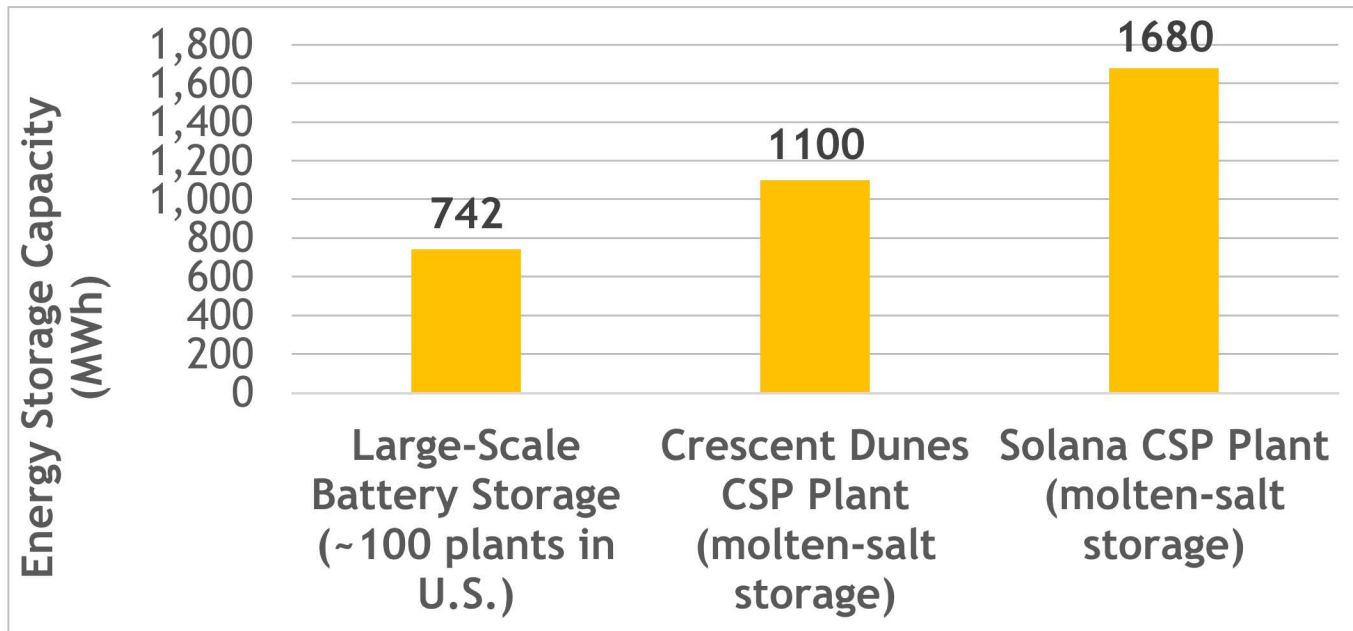


Ultra capacitor module, designed for vehicle applications (e.g., buses, trains)



Concentrated Solar Power and Thermal Energy Storage

- Mirrors concentrate the sun's energy onto a receiver to provide heat to spin a turbine/generator and produce electricity
- Hot fluid can be stored as thermal energy efficiently and inexpensively for on-demand electricity production when the sun is not shining



*Battery data from
USEIA, 2018*

*CSP data from Cliff Ho,
Sandia National Labs*



Gravity energy storage

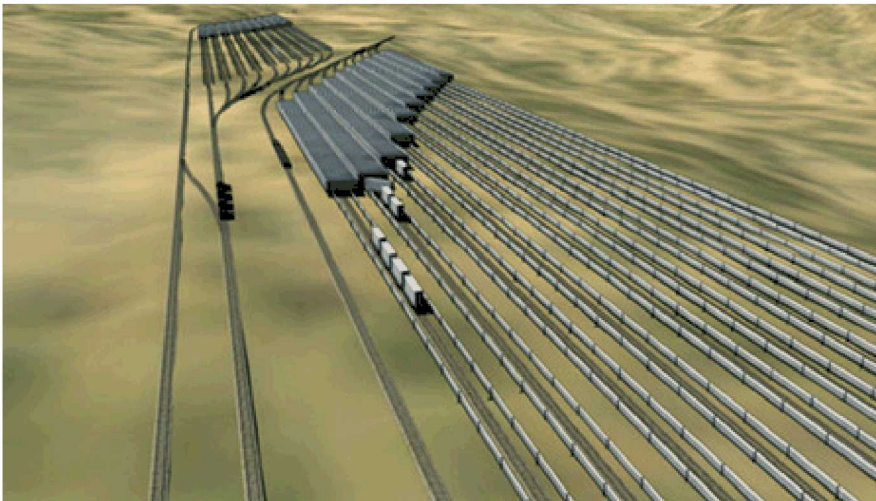
- Long duration storage
- High capital costs
- Long cycle life
 - High maintenance costs

Vault Energy Storage



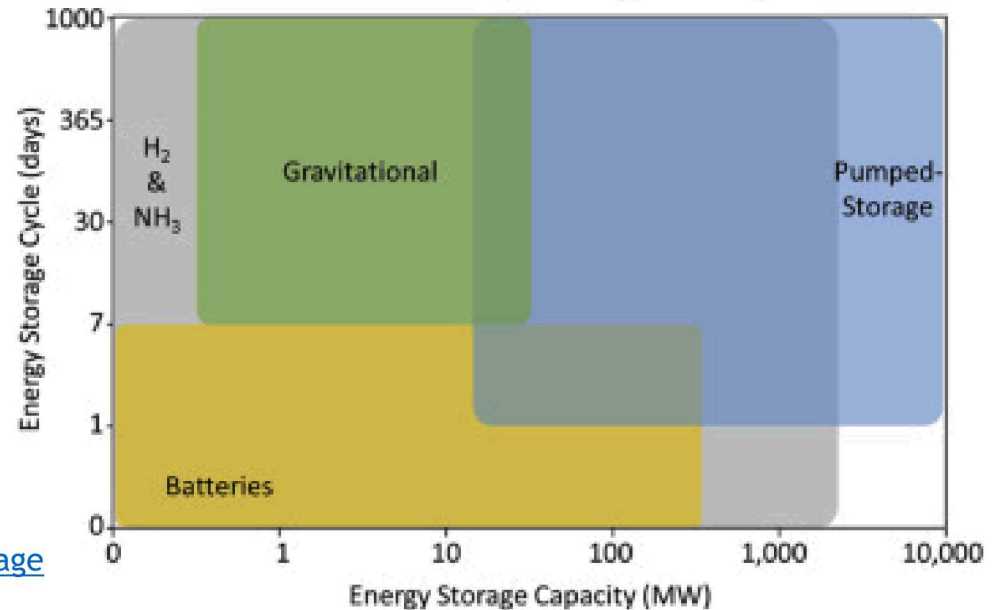
Energy Vault

Rail Energy Storage



<https://www.aresnorthamerica.com/grid-scale-energy-storage>

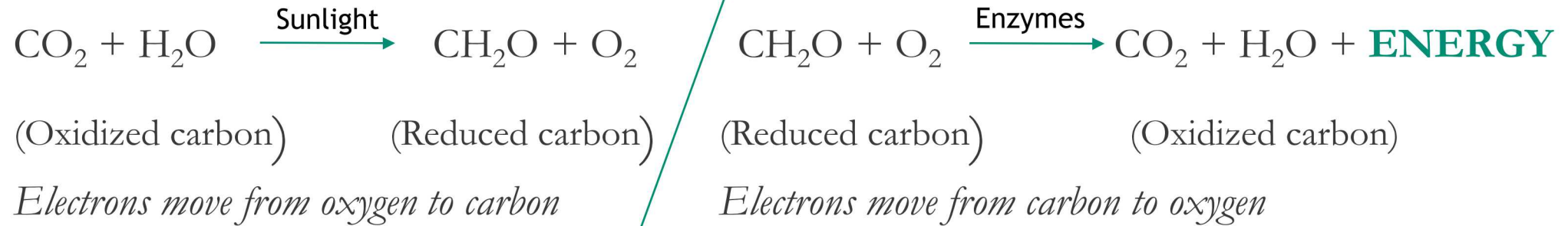
Mountain Gravity Energy Storage



Battery Technologies

How a battery works

- Redox (reduction – oxidation) chemistry drives all biological metabolism

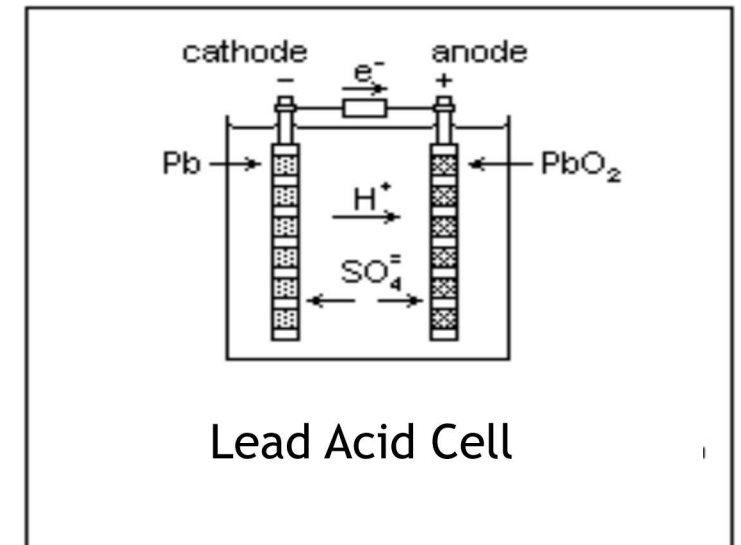


- The same redox chemistry drives battery power

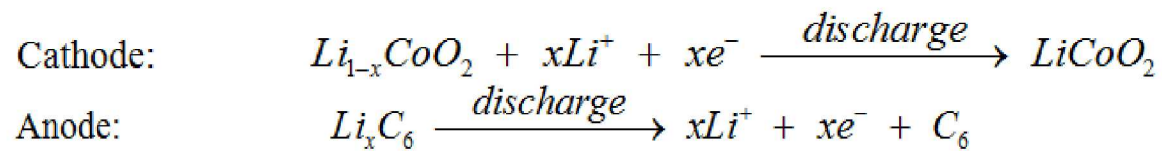
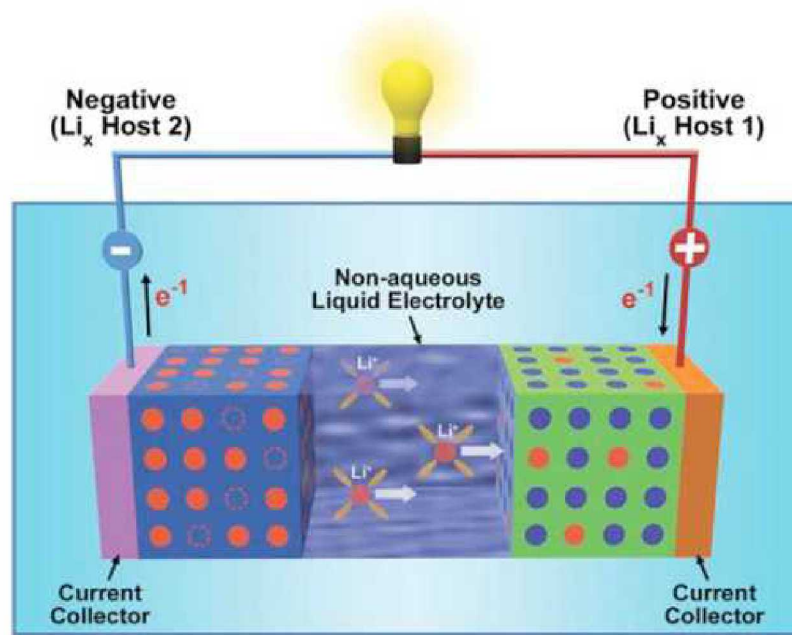


Reduced lead in the presence of oxidized lead, and in a sulfuric acid electrolyte, results in lead sulfate and water, and electrons move with a force of 2 V.

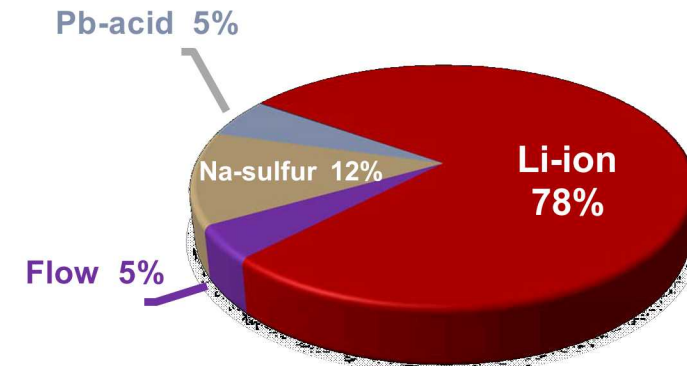
Oxidation is defined as removal of electrons from an atom leading to an increase in its positive charge, and reduction as addition of electrons resulting in a decrease (reduction) in positive charge.



Li-ion Batteries

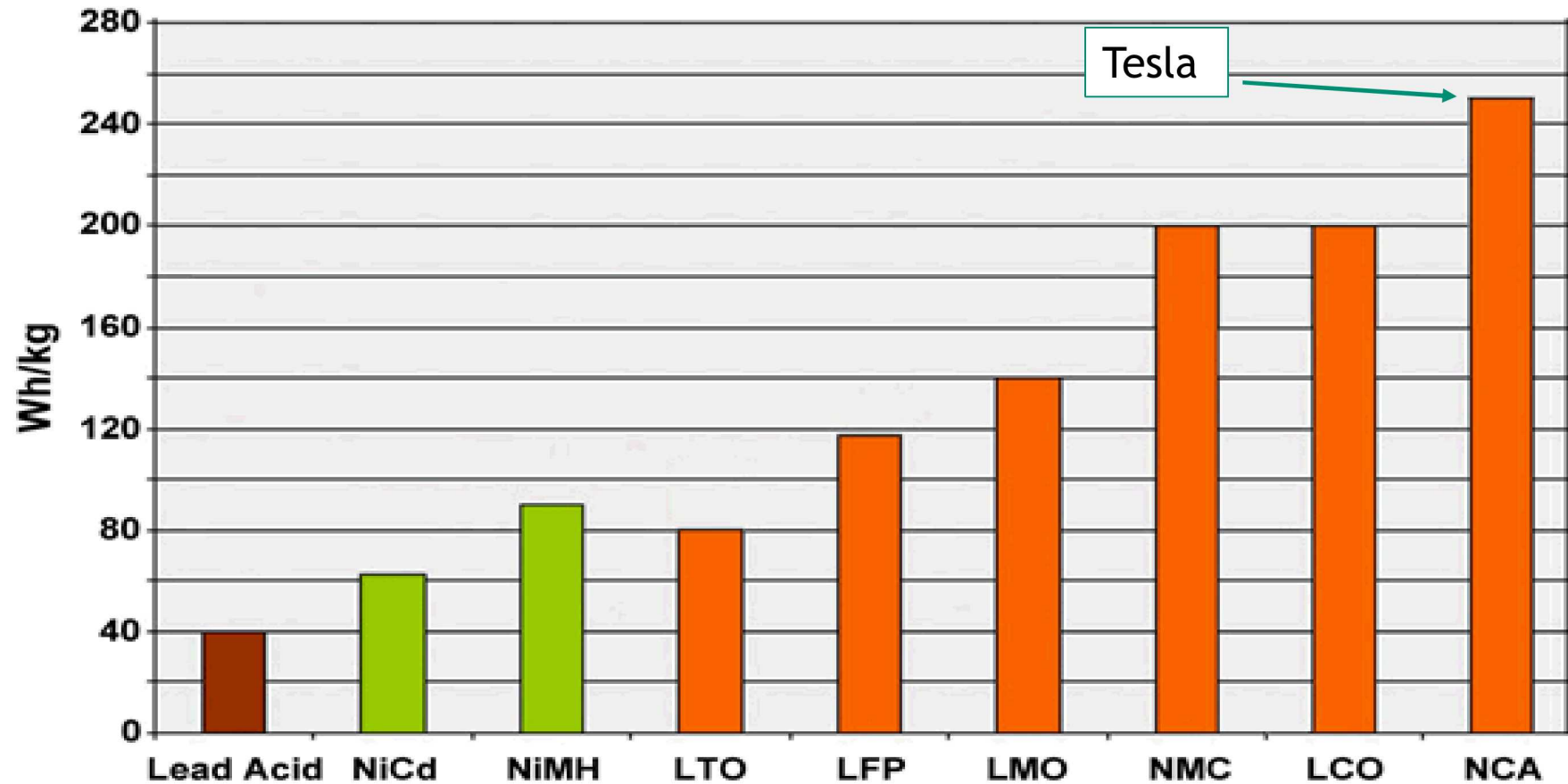


Z. Yang [JOM](#) September 2010, Volume 62, [Issue 9](#), pp 14-23



Chemistries	
LiCoO ₂	iphone
LiNiO ₂	
LiNi _x Co _y Mn _z O ₂	Volt Tesla
LiNi _x Co _y Al _z O ₂	
LiMn ₂ O ₄	
LiMn _{1.5} Ni _{0.5} O ₄	
LiFePO ₄	
LiMnPO ₄	
LiNiPO ₄	
LiCoPO ₄	

Li-ion chemistry energy density



Li-Al Oxide (NCA) enjoys the highest specific energy; however, Li-Mn Oxide (NMC) and Li-phosphate (LFP) are superior in terms of specific power and thermal stability. Li-titanate, LTO) has the best life span.

https://batteryuniversity.com/learn/article/types_of_lithium_ion

Li-Ion Batteries

- High energy density
- Better cycle life than Lead-Acid
 - 5000-10,000 cycles at 100% DOD
- Decreasing costs
 - Stationary follows on coattails of EV battery development
- Ubiquitous – multiple vendors
- Fast response (milliseconds)
- Broad applications
- High efficiency (85-90%)
- Safety continues to be a significant concern
- Recycling is not available yet
- Uses non-domestic rare earth metals



SCE/Tesla 20MW - 80MWh Mira Loma Battery Facility



SCE Tehachapi Plant, 8MW–32MWh

Tesla and the 18650 Li-ion cell



Tesla Model S Battery Pack

7104 cells



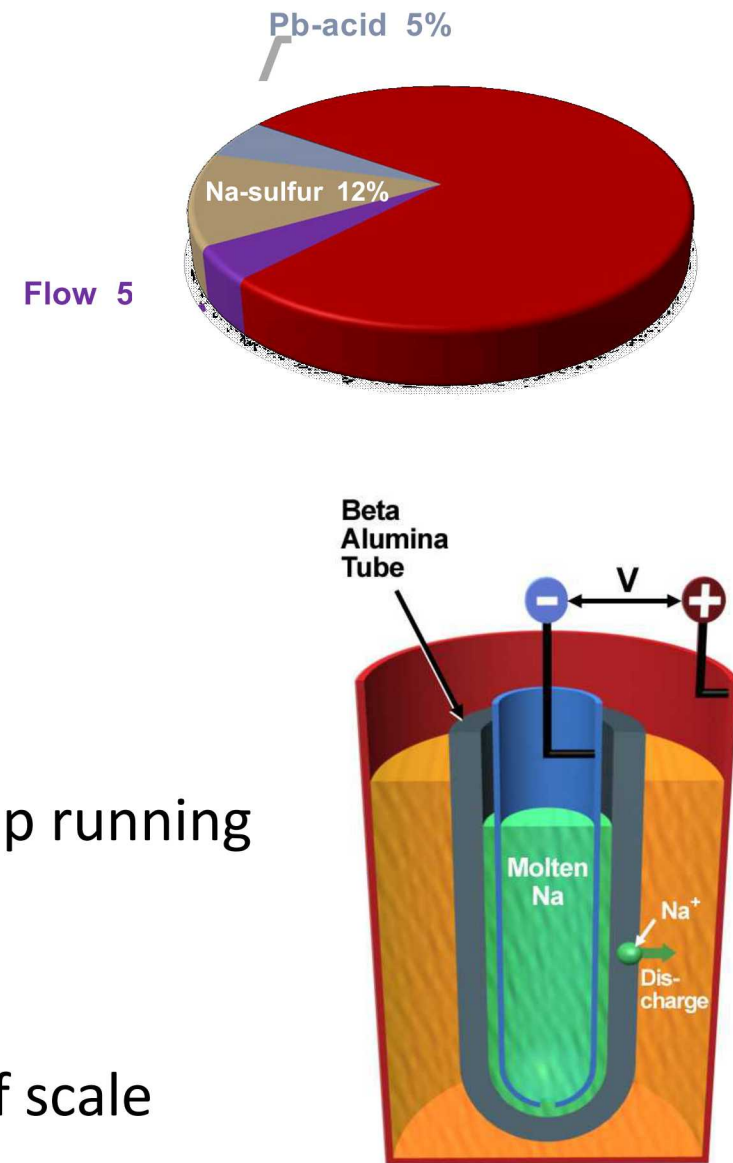
*18650 cell format used in
85 kWh Tesla battery*



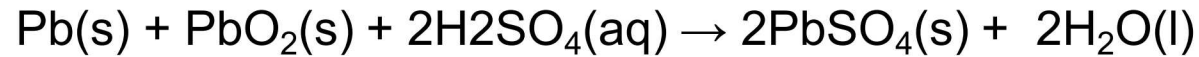
*An ESS like the 20
mW – 80 mWh
Mira Loma System
would require 6.7
million of the
18650 cells*

Sodium -- Sulfur Batteries

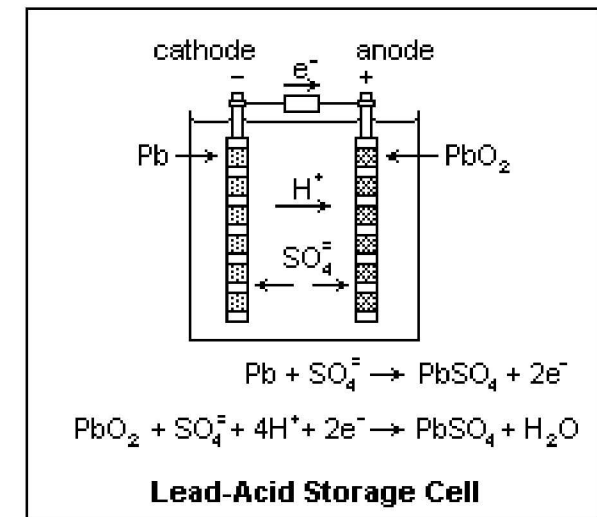
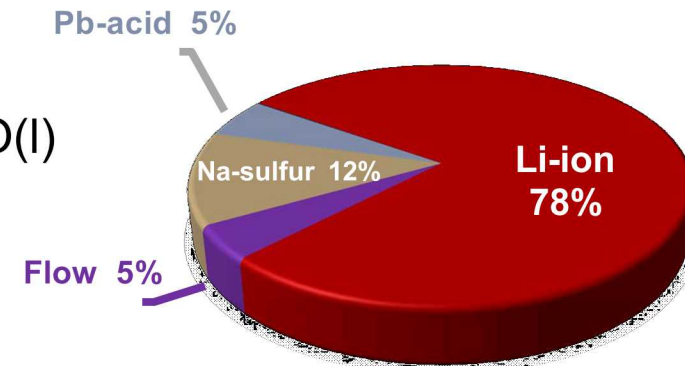
- High energy density
- Life cycles
 - 2500 at 100% DOD
 - 4500 at 80% DOD
- Fast response (milliseconds)
- 85% round trip efficiencies
- Must be kept hot!
 - 300 - 350° C
 - Stand by losses are high, battery has to keep running or be heated up
- Longer term -- 4-6 hours
- Broad applications
- Low production volumes prevent economies of scale



Lead Acid Batteries

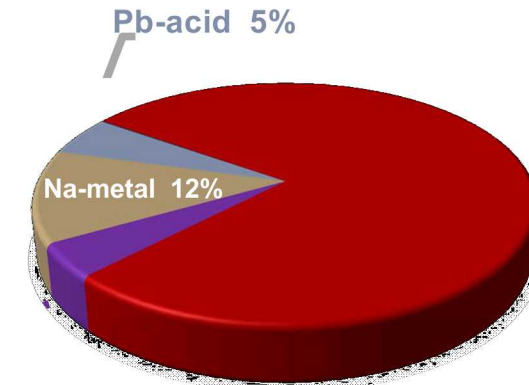


- The most common batteries worldwide
- Limited life time (5~15 yrs)
- Limited cycle life (500~1000 cycles)
- Degradation w/ deep discharge (>50% DOD)
- Low energy density (30-50 Wh/kg)
- Overcharging leads to H₂ evolution
- Sulfation occurs with prolonged storage
- Recyclable
- Less expensive than Li-ion
- New lead-carbon systems (“advanced lead acid”) can exceed 5,000 cycles

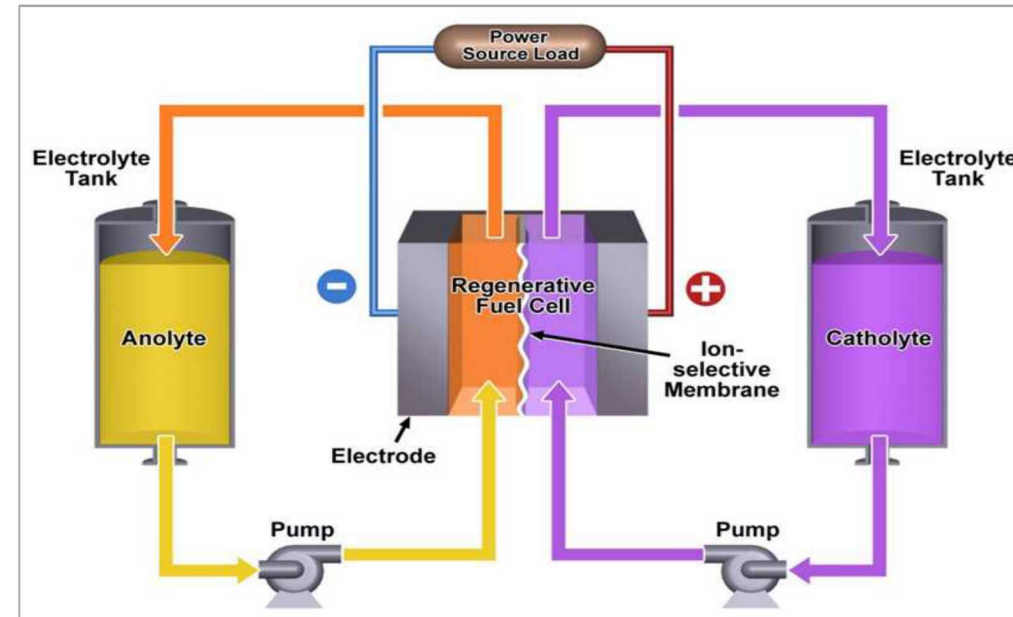


Flow Batteries

Two tanks of liquid electrolytes which are pumped past a membrane held between two electrodes to generate electricity through an external circuit

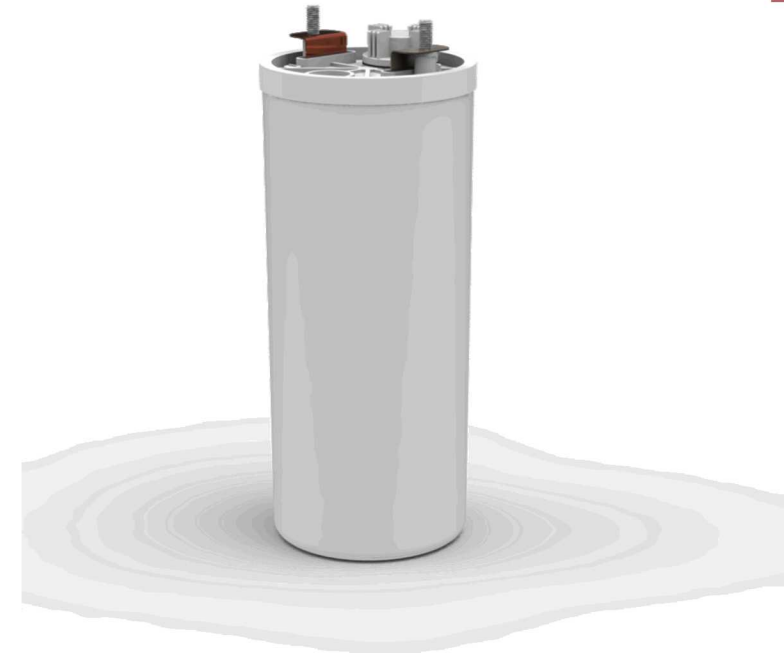


- Wide range of chemistries available -- Vanadium, zinc bromine, iron chromium
- Flexible -- increase volume of tanks to increase energy (no new racks, no new controllers)
- Suitable for wide range of applications, 5 kW to 10s MW
- Tens of thousands of cycles, and high duration (10 hours)*
- Low energy density
- Lower round trip energy efficiency (50-70%)
- More expensive than Li-ion
- Safer than Li-ion
- Still nascent technology



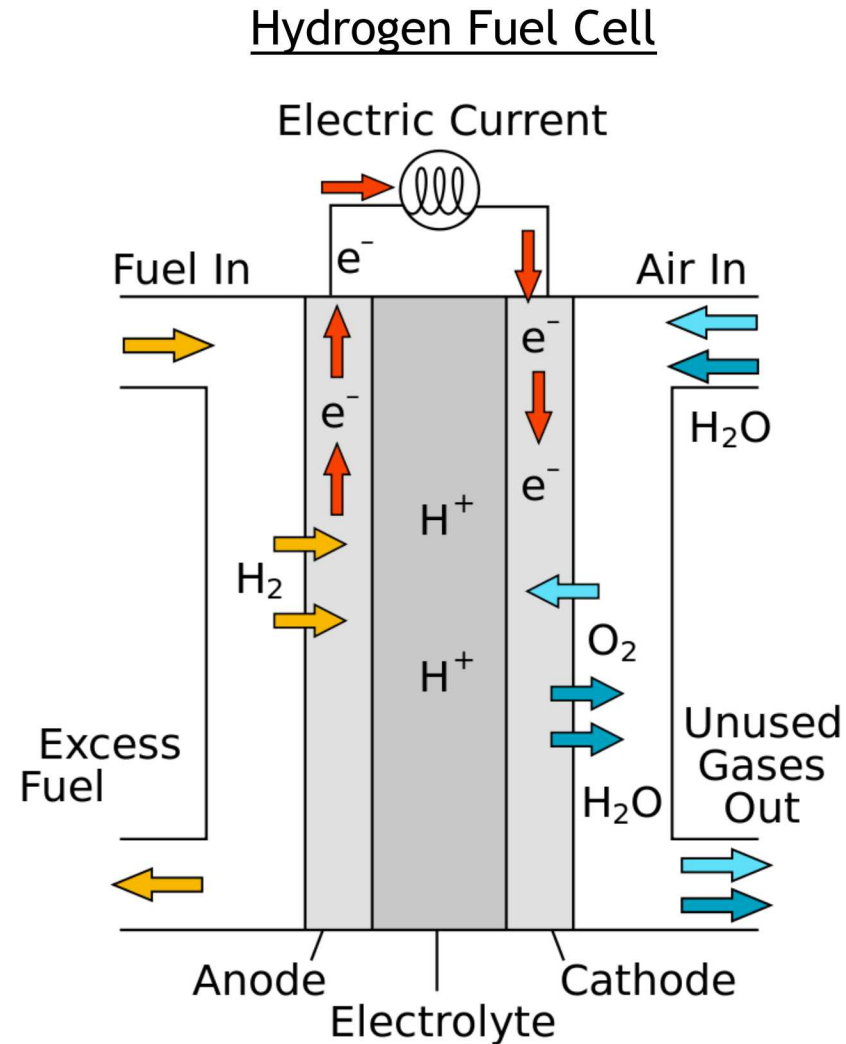
Zn-MnO₂ Alkaline Batteries



- Traditionally primary batteries, and ubiquitous
- Lowest bill of materials costs and manufacturing capital expenses
- Established supply chain for high volume
- Readily be produced in larger form factors for grid applications
- No temperature limitations of Li-ion or Pb-acid
- Environmentally benign -- EPA certified for landfill disposal
- Projected delivered costs at \$50/kWh
- Reversibility has been challenging
- Cycle life must be improved



Hydrogen Storage

- Electricity splits H_2O into H_2 and O
- H_2 is stored in above-ground steel tanks, with engines, or in underground caverns
- Fuel cell uses redox chemistry to produce electricity
- Waste product is H_2O
- About as efficient as ICE
- Many applications

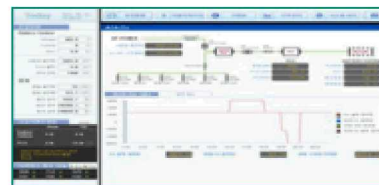
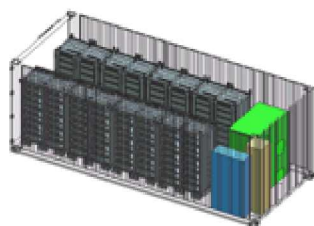




Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESSs)

BESS elements

Battery Storage	Battery Management System (BMS)	Power Conversion System (PCS)	Energy Management System (EMS)	Site Management System (SMS)	Balance of Plant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Batteries Racks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mgmt. of the battery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Efficiency --Depth of Discharge (DOD) --Cycle life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC to AC, AC to DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Bi-directional Inverter --Transformer, switchgear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimal monitoring and dispatch for different purposes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Charge/discharge --Load management --Ramp rate control --Ancillary services Coordinates multiple systems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distributed Energy Resources (DER) control Interconnection with grid Islanding and microgrid control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing HVAC Wiring Climate control Fire protection Permits Personnel

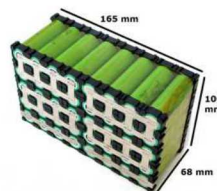


NOTE: Important to have single entity responsible for the ESS integration.

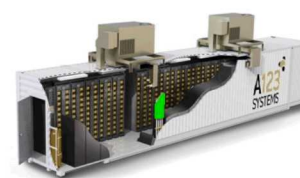
Whole system installation can increase costs by 2-5x over cost of a cell.



Cell



Pack -- X 1.4



Management Systems -- X 2.0



Balance of Plant -- X 1.3

And others ...

- Policy shapes the landscape
 - Procurement targets, incentives, RPSs, interconnection standards, etc.
- Economics
 - Energy storage applications & revenue streams
 - Stacking benefits
 - Modeling
- Design and commissioning
- Safety
- Decommissioning/end of life



Many resources are available

[DOE Energy Storage Systems Program](https://www.sandia.gov/ess-ssl/)

<https://www.sandia.gov/ess-ssl/>

[DOE Global Energy Storage Database](https://www.energystorageexchange.org/)

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[Clean Energy States Alliance \(CESA\)](https://www.CESA.org)

<https://www.CESA.org>

[Energy Storage Technology Advancement Partnership](https://www.cesa.org/projects/energy-storage-technology-advancement-partnership/)

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[The Energy Transition Show](https://xenetwork.org/ets/)

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[Utility Dive](https://www.utilitydive.com/)

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[Energy Storage Association](https://energystorage.org/)

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Summary points

- Battery technology is improving, spreading, getting cheaper, getting safer, and is expected to boom
- MUCH more battery capacity with longer durations is required to meet 100% carbon free goals in NM and across the country
- Toxicity, waste, end of life issues, recycling, cradle to cradle design, all still nascent
- Li-ion overwhelms the market, but many other chemistries are in development
- Batteries can provide important services to the grid, and many of value streams, but some of those values are hard to quantify, and markets don't exist
- PV + batteries is already outcompeting new and existing gas peaker plants

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