



Short v. Long Term Energy Storage Analysis

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- Previous work compared energy storage technologies: power ratings, storage duration, response time, capital cost, commercial maturity.
- This work extends energy storage characterization to include life cycle cost analysis. Elements addressed: efficiency, O&M, parasitic losses and replacement costs.
- The overall goal is to provide quantitative comparison of alternative energy storage technologies in applications with varying discharge time.





1) Technology update: costs and performance

2) Life cycle cost analysis for varying sizes of energy storage

3) Comparative analysis of rechargeable batteries and fuel cells





Application Category	Discharge power range	Discharge time	Stored energy range	Represent at ive Applicat ions
Bulk energy storage	10 - 1000 M W	1 - 8 hr s	10 - 8000 MWh	Load leveling, spinning reserve
Distr ibuted generat ion	100 - 2000 k W	0.5 - 4 hr s	50 - 8000 k Wh (0.05 - 8 MWh)	Peak shaving, transmission deferral
Power qualit y	100 - 2000 k W	1 - 30 s ec	0.1 - 60 M J (0.028-16 .67 kWh)	End-use power quality and reliability



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Levelized annual cost (\$/kw-yr)

- = Cost of capital (carrying charge on initial purchase)
- + cost of fixed O&M
- + cost of variable O&M
- + annualized replacement costs
- + consumables (fuel and electricity)

Convert to Revenue Requirement (¢/kWh) by dividing by hours of operation per year



- Capital cost: power, energy, Balance-of-Plant
- Round trip efficiency, AC-AC
- Operating costs: fixed O&M, variable O&M, electricity, fuel
- Replacement frequency and costs
- Parasitic losses (e.g., cooling)
- Economic assumptions: cost of electricity, fuel, interest and inflation rates



Parameter	Value
General inflation rate	2.5%
Discount r at e	8.5%
Levelization period	20 years
Carrying charge rate	12%
Fuel cost, n atu ral gas	\$5.00 /MB TU
Fuel cost, escalation rate	0%
Electricity cost (off-peak)	5 ¢/k Wh
Electricity cost, escalation rate	0%
O&M cost escalation rate	0%
Days operation/ year	250

Operating assumptions:

- discharge/charge time: assume equal, except for hydrogen systems
- discharges per day: assume once per day
- operations per year: assume 250 days per year





- Lead-acid (flooded) and VRLA batteries
- Regenesys® system
- High temperature sodium/sulfur batteries
- Zn/Br batteries
- Vanadium-redox batteries
- Ni/Cd batteries
- CAES

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Pumped hydro and pumped hydro with variable speed drive



Levelized Annual cost of bulk storage options











Components of Annual Cost for Bulk Storage Technologies (8 hr discharge)







- Lead-acid (flooded) and VRLA batteries
- High temperature sodium/sulfur batteries
- Zn/Br batteries
- Vanadium-redox batteries
- Ni/Cd batteries
- Li-Ion batteries
- High-speed flywheels
- CAES with surface storage
- Hydrogen fuel cells and engines



Discharge time, hrs

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Revenue Requirement for DG Technologies





Components of Annual Cost for DG Technologies (1 hr discharge)



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Cost Components for DG Technologies (4 hr systems)







- Lead-acid and advanced batteries
- Micro-SMES
- High-speed flywheels
- Low-speed flywheels
- Supercapacitors

Power Quality - Preliminary Results

Levelized Annual Cost for Power Quality Technologies

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Components of Annual Cost for Power Quality Technologies







Components of Annual Cost for Power Quality Systems







- Data difficult to get, and to distinguish current costs from projections.
- For some technologies, difficult to separate power and energy components.
- Difficult to be generic, e.g., batteries, flywheels
- Algorithm complications: replacements, parasitics
- Balance-of-Plant: buildings included in bulk, not DG





- Bulk storage in geologic formations or tanks is least expensive for long-duration applications.
- Regenesys and Na/S batteries look attractive for bulk storage, but all advanced battery types are immature and cost conclusions are preliminary.
- Revenue requirements are high for most technologies suitable for select peak shaving/arbitrage applications only.
- Replacement frequency and cost are significant cost factors, and are highly uncertain.
- Hydrogen has a role to play in clean DG situations.
- Power quality systems need accurate time duration specifications to optimize technology selection.





- •Sensitivity of results to cost assumptions and replacement frequency
- •Add UPS category: 30 sec to 15 minutes
- •Consider taxes and other economic factors
- •Compare annual costs / revenue requirements with markets
- Revisit costs for surface CAES
- •Consider additional technologies