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Energy Storage Systems Analysis Laboratory – ESTP Operations and Results

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Project Overview: Purpose



 Industry Acceptance: There is significant uncertainty about how storage technology will be used in practice and how new storage technologies will perform over time in applications. Currently, systems operators have limited experience using deployed storage resources; stakeholder input suggests that development of algorithms to employ storage technology effectively and profitably could encourage investments.

"Industry adoption requires that they have confidence storage will deploy as expected, perform and deliver as predicted and promised." - Energy Storage Strategic Goal

Source – U.S. DOE Plan for Grid Energy Storage, December 2013

Project Overview: Infrastructure



The Energy Storage Systems Analysis Laboratory (ESSAL)

Providing reliable, independent, third party analysis and verification of advanced energy technologies for cell to MW systems

Cells and Modules



72V 1000A Bitrode (2 Channels) Cell, Battery and Module Analysis

- 14 channels from 36 V, 25 A to 72 V, 1000 A for battery to module performance analysis
- Over 125 channels; 0 V to 10 V, 3 A to 100+ A for cell performance analysis
- Potentiostat/galvanostats for spectral impedance
- Multimeters, shunts and power supply for high precision testing
- Temperature chambers

Fully Integrated Systems

Lab Analysis



Energy Storage Test Pad (ESTP)

- Scalable from 5 KW to 1 MW, 480 VAC, 3 phase
- 1 MW/1 MVAR load bank for either parallel microgrid, or series UPS operations
- Subcycle metering in feeder breakers for system identification and transient analysis
- Thermal imaging
- System Safety Analysis (new)

Field Analysis (new)



Remote Data Acquisition System (RDAS)

- Portable, Modular, Remotely Reconfigurable, and outdoor-ready
- Subcycle metering
- Tractable calibration
- Command Signal Ready for Grid Operator Simulation
- No control over grid conditions

Project Overview: Scope (Jet Analogy)



Cells and Module Analysis



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Adjustable Environmental Conditions

• Control Signals and

reliably

Components need to perform





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- Adjustable Grid Conditions
- Simulated Control Signals
- Components need to perform reliably

Demonstration and Field Analysis



By Robert Nyman, Miami airport - Bogotá, Colombia, May 2013

- Real World Grid and Environmental Conditions
- Real World Control Signals
- Interconnection Requirements
- Maintenance



Activity

Analogy

FY15 Accomplishments



Publications

 D. M. Rosewater et al "Modeling And Performance Analysis of a Grid-Scale Lithium-Ion Battery System" – under review with IEEE Transactions on Power Conversion

 D. M. Rosewater, S. R. Ferreira "Derivation of a Frequency Regulation Duty Cycle for Standardized Energy Storage Performance Testing" under review with Journal of Energy Storage

FY15 Accomplishments



Projects

Installation of the Raytheon RK10 at ESSAL



UET system in Washington (rendering)



Installation of TransPower Grid Saver at ESSAL



String F in GridSaver



String E (top) and D (bottom) in GridSaver

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- 24 hour duty-cycle
- 12, two-hour sections
- 10, representative "average"
- 2, representative "aggressive"

Example Frequency Regulation Duty Cycle





- Comment 1: 24 hour profile is very difficult to apply to a prototype system for all the reasons discussed in the best practices for safe operations
- Comment 2: 2 hour profile generates half the data in 1/12 the time and so can be very useful



Metrics

- Sum of squared error Σ (Deignal Deca)²
 - Σ (Psignal–Pess)² Sum of absolute error
 - Σ |Psignal–Pess|
- Sum of energy error Σ |Esignal-Eess|

% of time signal is tracked % of time of which (Psignal–Pess)/Psignal < 0.02

Comment 3: Non-normalized metrics produce meaningless performance values

Transpower System

| Metric | Performance |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| *Sum of squared error | 3,646,416 kW ² |
| *Sum of absolute error | 103,820 kW |
| *Sum of energy error | 439,614,224 kWh |
| *% of time signal is tracked | 24.5% |

* From DOE Protocol



Comment 4: Even highly accurate systems can have pore tracking accuracy because measurement becomes less accurate (as a %) at low power.



| Power | Measurement Accuracy (%) | | ±KVV |
|---------|-----------------------------|--|------|
| 1000 kW | 0.5 % | | 5 kW |
| 500 kW | 1.0 % | | 5 kW |
| 250 kW | 2.0 % | | 5 kW |
| 100 kW | 5.0 % | | 5 kW |

Duty Cycle spends most of its time in the region within ±250kW, where measurement is less accurate than the protocol's requirement for tracking



Alternative Metrics

- Tracking Error RMS
 - Σ (Psignal–Pess)²/N
- Tracking Error RMS %
 Σ (Psignal–Pess)²/N

Transpower System

| Metric | Performance |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Tracking Error RMS | 22.5 kW |
| Tracking Error RMS % | 2.3 % |
| Alt. % of time signal is tracked | 73.5% |

Alternate % of time signal is tracked
 % of time of which (Psignal–Pess)/RatedPower < 0.02

Comment 5: There are better metrics to use when expressing performance.

- Tracking Error RMS and Tracking Error RMS % provide an intuitive measure of accuracy
- Alternate % of time signal is tracked accounts for measurement error at low power

Conclusion



"There are three principal means of acquiring knowledge... observation of nature, reflection, and experimentation. Observation collects facts; reflection combines them; experimentation verifies the result of that combination." – Denis Diderot

Conclusion



Impacts

- Infrastructure and experience leveraged into publications
- Data collected to form the technical foundations for R&D, Standards, and Outreach
- Improved methods for industry acceptance

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- Continue to work with industry to collect valuable data, perform analysis, and conduct demonstration experiments which drive industry acceptance.
- Publish revised testing protocols based on lessons learned



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Questions?

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