Design and optimization of a small compressed air energy storage system for isolated applications

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Outline

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Research methodology

Hybrid system design & modeling

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Summary and conclusion

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- Reducing the fossil fuel consumption for isolated loads.
 - Environmental Impact
 - Difficulty of fuel delivery in winter
- CAES system to support the wind based energy system
 - Random nature of the wind energy
 - Economical and technical challenges
- Cost effective design of a wind based energy system.
 - Increase the harvested energy from the available wind energy
 - Enhance the reliability and economical feature of RES

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Research methodology

Develop a hybrid configuration

CAES system component modeling

Wind and load data generation

Evaluate the performance of different energy storage systems

Energy Conversion in CAES

Charging or discharge cycles



Hybrid wind-diesel-CAES system



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Wind turbine modeling

Wind turbine

$$P_{wind Turbine} = 0.5 C_p(V_w) \rho A_r V_w^3$$

Power Curve

> Datasheet $C_p(V_w) = a_1 e^{(\frac{V_w - b_1}{c_1})^2} + a_2 e^{(\frac{V_w - b_2}{c_2})^2} + a_3 e^{(\frac{V_w - b_3}{c_3})^2} + a_4 e^{(\frac{V_w - b_4}{c_4})^2}$

Approximation



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CAES System components

Compressor

$$P_{Comp} = \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right) P_{in} Q_{Comp} \left[PR^{\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)} - 1\right] \qquad \qquad Q_{Comp} = \frac{(n-1)F_{Comp-Nstage}}{nN_{CS}P_{in}(PR^{\left(\frac{n-1}{nN_{CS}}\right)} - 1)}$$

$$m_{out-Comp} = \rho . \int Q_{Copm} . dt$$

 $P.V^n = mRT$

(n 1)D





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Air Motor

Steady state model





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Air Motor Cont.

- Dynamic model
 - Volume change



$$V_{a}(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} L_{AM} (r_{sAM}^{2} - r_{rAM}^{2})(\pi + \phi) + \frac{1}{4} L_{AM} e_{AM}^{2} sin2\phi + L_{AM} e_{AM} r_{sAM} sin\phi + c$$
$$V_{b}(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} L_{AM} (r_{sAM}^{2} - r_{rAM}^{2})(\pi - \phi) - \frac{1}{4} L_{AM} e_{AM}^{2} sin2\phi - L_{AM} e_{AM} r_{sAM} sin\phi + c$$



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Dynamic Model

Pressure change

$$\frac{dP_a}{dt} = \frac{RkT_s}{V_a}\frac{dm_a}{dt} - \frac{kP_a}{V_a}\frac{dV_a}{dt} \qquad \qquad \frac{dP_b}{dt} = \frac{RkT_s}{V_a}\frac{dm_b}{dt} - \frac{kP_b}{V_b}\frac{dV_b}{dt}$$

> Developed Torque $T_{AM}(P_a, P_b, \phi) = (P_a - P_b)(x_a^2 - r_{rAM}^2) \frac{L_{AM}}{2}$



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Synchronous Generator

Block diagram

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Experimental test results





 $\phi(I_f) = 0.4545(I_f)^3 - 1.911(I_f)^2 + 2.554I_f - 0.01824$

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Fuel consumption



 $FC_{DG} = (2.15 \times 10^{-8})P_{DG}^2 + (6.29 \times 10^{-5})P_{DG} + 0.8782$

Dynamic model





Supervisory Control Unit

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Experimental Setup



Air motor model validation



Flow rate valve model

Flow coefficient

P ₁ (Psi)	35	40	50	60
P ₂ (Psi)	28.200	31.560	35.860	42.275
Speed (rpm)	1150	1350	1475	1600
Output Flow rate (CFM)	30.448	35.301	42.879	49.195
Air consumption based on Datasheet (CFM)	29	34	42	50
Error (%)	4.992	3.825	2.094	1.610
C_f value based on $\Delta P=P_1-P_2$	0.410	0.416	0.401	0.411
$C_{\rm f}$ value based on $\Delta P=P_1-P_{\rm atm}$	0.236	0.245	0.253	0.256
Cf value based on ΔP=P2-Patm	0.289	0.303	0.326	0.328







Flow rate control





CAES system power control MEMORIAL Dynamic f(Hz) Ch 1 (V) 2.03 0.38 0.01 0.00 Steady state

Cur 1 Cur 2

Ch 1 (V) Ch 2 (V) Ch 3 (V) Diff

f(Hz)

37.84 10.22 40.87

2.36

CAES system power control

Output voltage,

current and

> power





Hybrid system design optimization

Impact of

Wind turbine selection

Energy storage system rating

Control strategy

Energy storage type

on total fuel consumption in an isolated application

Wind speed databases

- Available Wind data (1hr averaged)
 - Limited accuracy

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- Limited resolution.
- Unreliable prediction of wind farm output power

Standard statistical methods to

- regenerate wind speed data with desired time resolution.
- Combining multiple databases

Wind speed distribution



Weibull probability distribution

k

$$f(V) = \frac{k}{C} \left(\frac{V}{C}\right)^{k-1} e^{-\left(\frac{V}{C}\right)^{k-1}}$$

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c is the scale factor *k* is shape factor



Wind speed frequency distribution

measured wind speed probability measured wind speed probability ٠ approximated Weibull distribution equation approximated Weibull distribution equation 0.25 - 1:00pm) - 1:00am) 0.2 0.2 Wind Speed Probability in(12:00am 0.0 50 Wind Speed Probability in (12:00pm 0.15 0.1 0.05 0 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 10 30 40 50 60 ٥ 20 Wind Speed [km/hr] Wind Speed [km/hr] h01 0.25 h02 h03 h04 h05 0.2 h06 • h07 h08 Wind Speed Probability h09 0.15 h10 h11 h12 • - h13 • h14 0.1 h15 • h16 **h**17 h18 0.05 h19 h20 •• h21 • h22 h23 10 20 30 40 50 60 h24 Wind Speed [km/hr]

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Monte Carlo simulation

 Iteration process based on a specific probability distribution function.

✤ Monte Carlo simulation error = $1/\sqrt{n}$ (more than 1500 samples will result in less than 2.5% error)

 Direct sampling method was applied to the Monte Carlo simulation

Monte Carlo simulation, Cont.

A set of 1500 uniformly distributed numbers
between [0-1] was produced and applied to the
inverse of the Weibull Cumulative Distribution
Function of each hour



Monte Carlo simulation, Cont.

Proposed Method configuration



Wind Speed profile regeneration



Sample generated wind profile

first 3 hours (12:00 am – 3:00 am) in 3 days (1st, 7th and 14th) in January with 10 minute resolution



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Mathematical model of Wind turbine

Wind turbine model	Rating Power [KW]	Rotor Diameter [m]	Tower Height [m]	Survival Wind Speed [Km/hr]
Sky Stream	2.4	3.72	13.7 (zone 3)	226.8
Wisper 500	3	4.5	13.7	198
Excel-5	5	6.2	24	216
Scirocco	6	5.6	24	216
Excel-R	7.5	7	24	201
Excel-S	10	7	24	201

• Obtain the C_p variation as a function of wind speed



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Wind turbine performance assessment

Applying the wind speed profile to 6 different wind turbines.

Different power rating

The wind speed profile should be corrected based on the required wind turbine tower height.

$$V_2 = V_1 (\frac{h_2}{h_1})^{\alpha}$$

Wind turbine performance assessment, Cont.

Annual Average output power



- SkyStream and Wisper 500 cannot provide the required power
- Excel-S is considered an overdesign
- Scirocco, Excel-5 and Excel-R able to meet the demand 32

Wind turbine performance assessment, Cont.

 $Performance \ index = \frac{Average \ Annual \ output \ Power}{Rated \ output \ Power}$



- Excel-5 wind turbine has the highest value and it can deliver the required power to the load.
- SkyStream and Wisper 500.

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Scirocco, Excel-R and Excel-S

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Harvested Energy Index

- New criterion for energy storage performance assessment
 - Limited capacity of energy storage systems
 - Large amount of energy in a short time
 - Significant wind speed fluctuation
- Rejected energy
 - Wind turbine control
 - Dump load in isolated applications

$$HEI = \left(\int_{0}^{t_s} E_{stored}(t)dt\right) / \left(\int_{0}^{t_s} E_{excess}(t)dt\right)$$

Case study for storage system sizing

Wind power and demand



HEI for different storage system ratings



HEI for CAES system

0.5

Harvested Energy Index 6.0 7.0 8.0

0.2

0.1

0 L 0

200

400

600

800

Time [minute]

1000

1200

Wind power and demand



40 bar 50 bar

1400

Max. HEI tracking control strategy

Maximum HEI tracking





Daily Averaged HEI

Averaged HEI for fixed compression ratios



Impact of control on total shortage





Control method	Fixed 10 bar	Fixed 26 bar	HEI in 25 stages	HEI in 4 stages
Shortage Duration	326 [min]	225 [min]	163 [min]	192 [min]

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Diesel Generator Fuel consumption

On-off mode, only on shortage duration

Standby operation



No load fuel consumption

HEI for Battery storage system

0.75

0.5

1.5

Time [s]

2

2.5

• Battery terminal voltage $E = E_0 - K \left(\frac{Q_{rated}}{Q_{rated} - Q_{exchanged}} \right) + A e^{-BQ_{exchanged}}$ $Q_{exchanged} = \int i dt$ 12 10 Battery Voltage [V] 8 0.6 Ahr 1.2 Ahr 3 Ahr 4.8 Ahr 'n 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 * SOC Time [s] 1kWhr 3kWhr 5kWhr 0.95 •••• 7kWhr State Of the Charge 0.85 0.8

HEI for Battery storage system

Power balance



Stored, Delivered and rejected power



Annual HEI for BES system



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Pumped Hydro Energy Storage



Fuel consumption



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CAES system

✤ Annual HEI



Fuel consumption



Annual HEI comparison

✤ 1 kWh & 2 kWh



✤ 5 kWh & 10 kWh



Annual HEI comparison Cont.

Annual Average



Annual Shortage





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Annual HEI comparison Cont.

Low efficient system with single stage, high pressure and no

heat exchanger



 Annual shortage to. Battery Storage System Pumped hydro Storage System 65 CAES System ratio[%] 60 **Excess** power 55 8 50 ž 0 Sho 35 Annual 30 25

4000

6000

Power Rating [W]

8000

10000

12000

2000

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Summary of contributions

✤ A CAES system was developed for isolated applications.

Mathematical modelling of CAES system

 Simplified air motor and flow rate control valve validation through experiment

 Wind speed profile regeneration using Combined direct sampling method and Monte Carlo simulation.

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Summary of contributions

Hybrid energy system optimization and component sizing

Development of a new criterion based on HEI.

Performance evaluation of different energy storage systems

 Impact of control strategy and storage rating on total fuel consumption

Research outcomes

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Research outcomes cont.

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Suggested Future Work

Application of heat exchanger to improve the efficiency

Dynamic control of the CAES system in conjunction with another energy source,

Evaluation of the system with capability of working in series/parallel configuration and its impact on round trip efficiencies and system power ratings



Thanks for your attention

