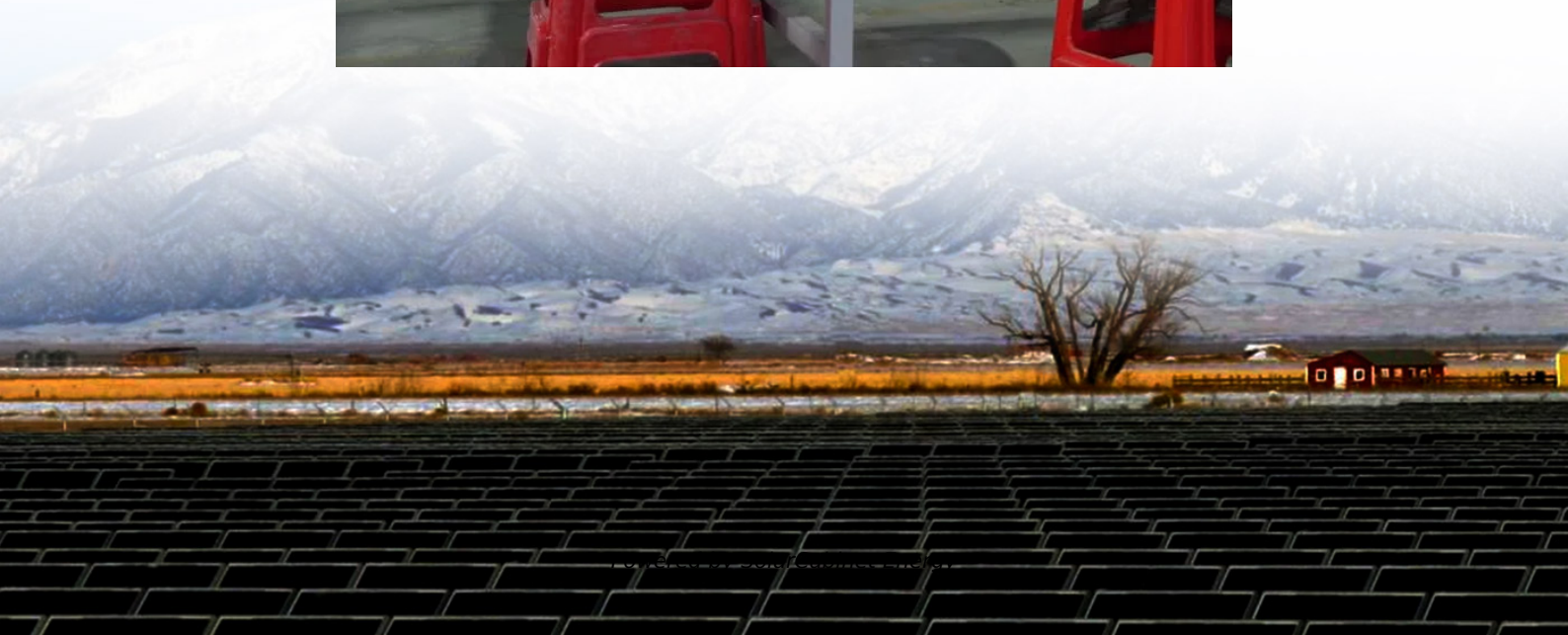


# **Lithium battery packs connected in series or parallel**





## Overview

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Series increases voltage (e.g., two 3.7V cells in series yield 7.4V), while parallel boosts capacity (e.g., two 2000mAh cells in parallel provide 4000mAh). Use series for high-voltage devices like EVs; choose parallel for extended runtime in low-voltage systems. Are series and parallel connection of lithium batteries safe?

The series and parallel connection of lithium batteries is a key technology to increase voltage and capacity, but it also contains safety risks. This article will analyze in detail the principles, methods and precautions of series and parallel connection of lithium batteries to help you avoid potential risks and build a battery system correctly.

Can lithium-ion batteries be connected in parallel or in series?

Connecting lithium-ion batteries in parallel or in series is not as straightforward as a simple series-parallel connection of circuits. To ensure the safety of both the batteries and the individual handling them, several important factors should be taken into consideration.

How to charge parallel lithium battery packs?

Specific principles must be followed when charging parallel lithium battery packs: Use a matching charger: The voltage must be suitable for the nominal voltage of the individual batteries. The current setting is reasonable: usually 0.2-0.5C of the total capacity after parallel connection.

What is the difference between series and parallel battery packs?

The key differences between battery packs in series and parallel involve voltage and capacity configurations. Series battery packs increase voltage while maintaining the same capacity. In contrast, parallel battery packs increase capacity while maintaining the same voltage.

What is a series parallel battery connection?



Series-parallel. That's not wiring your batteries in both series and parallel. That would short your battery system! A series-parallel connection is when you wire several batteries in series. Then, you create a parallel connection to another set of batteries in series. By doing this, you can increase both voltage and capacity.

Why are lithium batteries connected in series?

Lithium batteries are connected in series when the goal is to increase the nominal voltage rating of one individual lithium battery - by connecting it in series strings with at least one more of the same type and specification - to meet the nominal operating voltage of the system the batteries are being installed to support.



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Connecting in series increases voltage, but wiring in parallel increases your battery bank capacity. That is, amp-hour capacity. The total voltage does not change. That means that two



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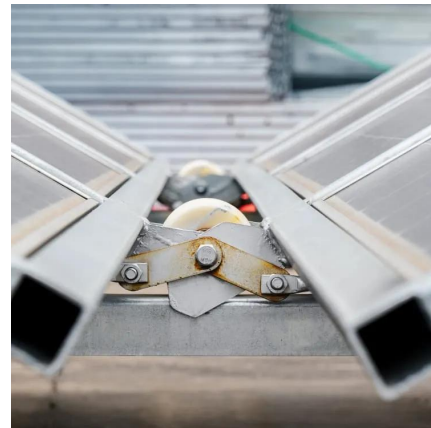


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