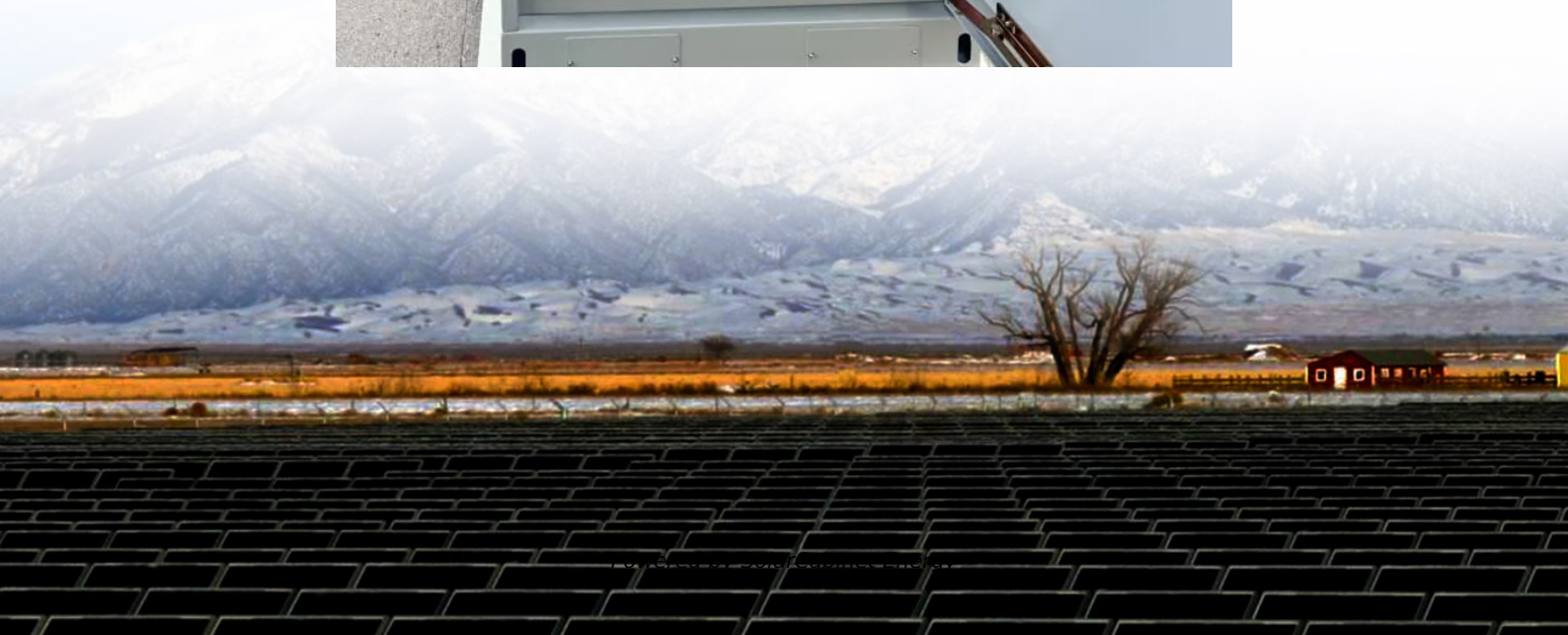


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Overview

Do storage technologies add value to solar and wind energy?

Some storage technologies today are shown to add value to solar and wind energy, but cost reduction is needed to reach widespread profitability.

Does storage increase the value of a solar or wind plant?

Storage can increase the revenue generated by a solar or wind plant, but it also increases the capital costs of the plant. Here we optimize both the discharging behaviour, as done above, and the storage system size, to maximize the value of the electricity generation.

Does compressed air energy storage reduce wind and solar power curtailment?

Compressed air energy storage (CAES) effectively reduces wind and solar power curtailment due to randomness. However, inaccurate daily data and improper storage capacity configuration impact CAES development.

How does energy storage affect the selling price of solar energy?

The average selling price without storage is lower for wind than solar, but as the energy storage increases in size (per unit rated power of solar or wind generation), the pricing distribution and mean selling price become increasingly similar across the two energy resources (Supplementary Figs 6–8).

Is solar storage more valuable than wind?

Storage is more valuable for wind than solar in two out of the three locations studied (Texas and Massachusetts), but across all locations the benefit from storage is roughly similar across the two energy resources, in terms of the percentage increase in value due to the incorporation of optimally sized storage.



What is a battery energy storage system (BESS)?

To overcome these challenges, battery energy storage systems (BESS) have become important means to complement wind and solar power generation and enhance the stability of the power system.



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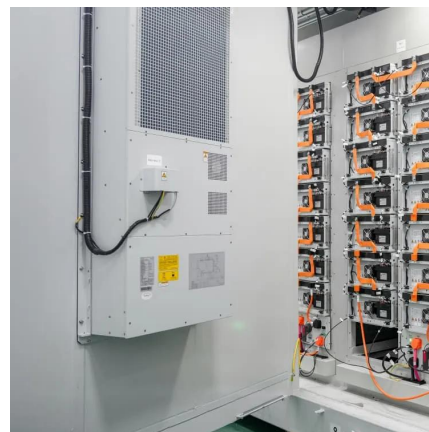


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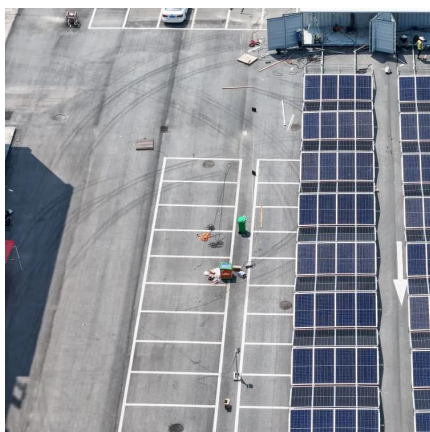
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