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Overview

Can FEMP assess battery energy storage system performance?

This report describes development of an effort to assess Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) performance that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) and others can employ to evaluate performance of deployed BESS or solar photovoltaic (PV) +BESS systems.

What is energy storage capacity?

Energy storage capacity is measured in megawatt-hours (MWh) or kilowatt-hours (kWh). Duration: The length of time that a battery can be discharged at its power rating until the battery must be recharged. The three quantities are related as follows: $\text{Duration} = \text{Energy Storage Capacity} / \text{Power Rating}$.

How is energy storage capacity calculated?

The energy storage capacity, E, is calculated using the efficiency calculated above to represent energy losses in the BESS itself. This is an approximation since actual battery efficiency will depend on operating parameters such as charge/discharge rate (Amps) and temperature.

What is the difference between power capacity and energy storage capacity?

It can be compared to the nameplate rating of a power plant. Power capacity or rating is measured in megawatts (MW) for larger grid-scale projects and kilowatts (kw) for customer-owned installations. Energy storage capacity: The amount of energy that can be discharged by the battery before it must be recharged.

What is the maximum energy accumulated in a battery?

The maximum amount of energy accumulated in the battery within the analysis period is the Demonstrated Capacity (kWh or MWh of storage exercised). In order to normalize and interpret results, Efficiency can be

compared to rated efficiency and Demonstrated Capacity can be divided by rated capacity for a normalized Capacity Ratio.

How do you calculate battery efficiency?

Efficiency is the sum of energy discharged from the battery divided by sum of energy charged into the battery (i.e., kWh in/kWh out). This must be summed over a time duration of many cycles so that initial and final states of charge become less important in the calculation of the value.

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