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Energy Storage Options & Selection Considerations

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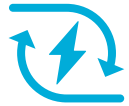


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OUTLINE



Energy Storage

- Importance
- Promising Technologies
- Modeling
- Influence of Key System Parameters



Summary





Energy Storage

Importance

Promising Technologies

Modeling



Energy Storage

Energy Storage (LDES) needed to achieve full decarbonization

"...energy storage is not a luxury, but a necessity..." – Jeremy Twitchell of PPNL

Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES)

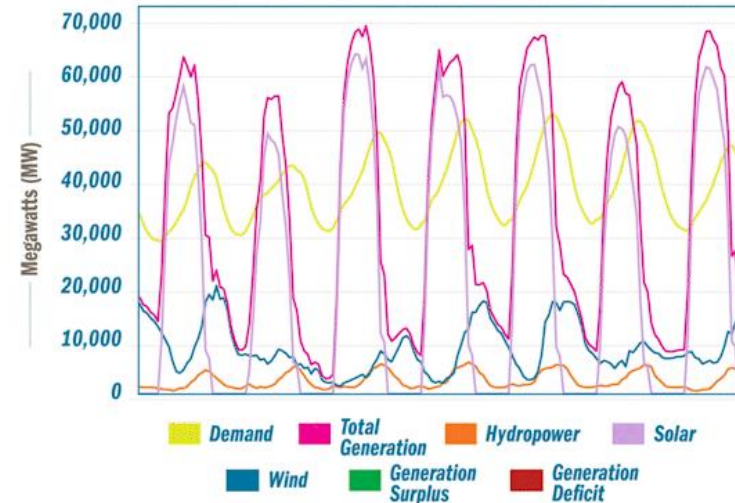
- 8+ hrs (approximate duration)
- Dispatchable at maximum deficit

85-140 TWh LDES needed by 2040 to enable global net zero goals

- LDES Council Report: A path towards full grid decarbonization with 24/7 clean Power Purchase Agreements

Cost Reduction of LDES systems necessary

Importance



Courtesy of PNNL



Long Duration Storage Shot



Reduce storage costs
by **90%***...

*From a 2020 Li-ion baseline.



...in storage systems
that deliver **10+** hours
of duration



...in **1** decade

Clean power anytime, anywhere.

Courtesy of DOE



Energy Storage

Commercially Available Technologies

- Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Iron Phosphate (LFP)
- Lithium-ion Nickel Manganese Cobalt (NMC)
- Lead Acid
- Vanadium Redox Flow (VRF)
- Zinc-based
- Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
- Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH)
- Thermal Energy Storage (TES)
- Gravity Energy Storage
- Hydrogen

Technology solutions are scenario specific

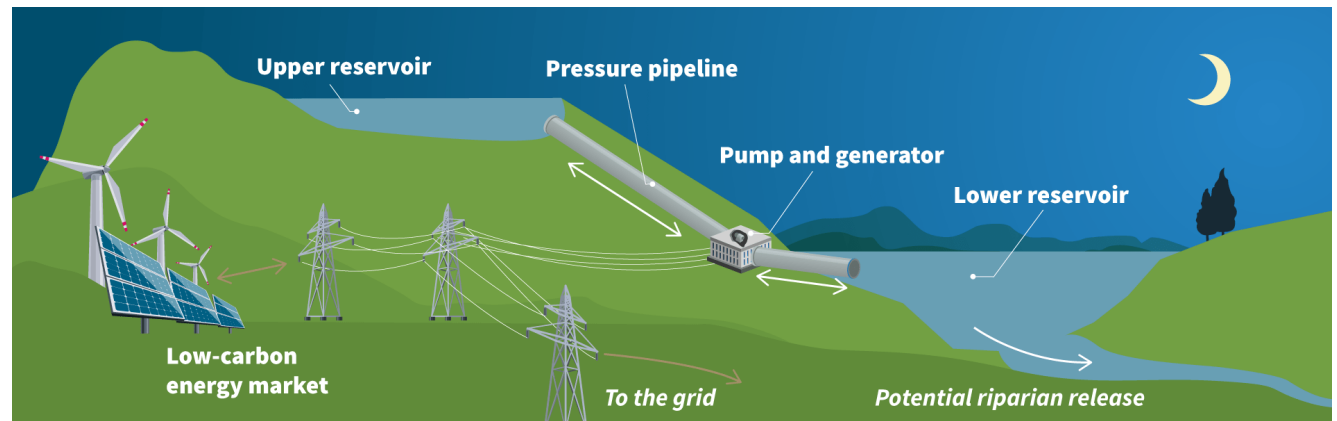
Promising Technologies



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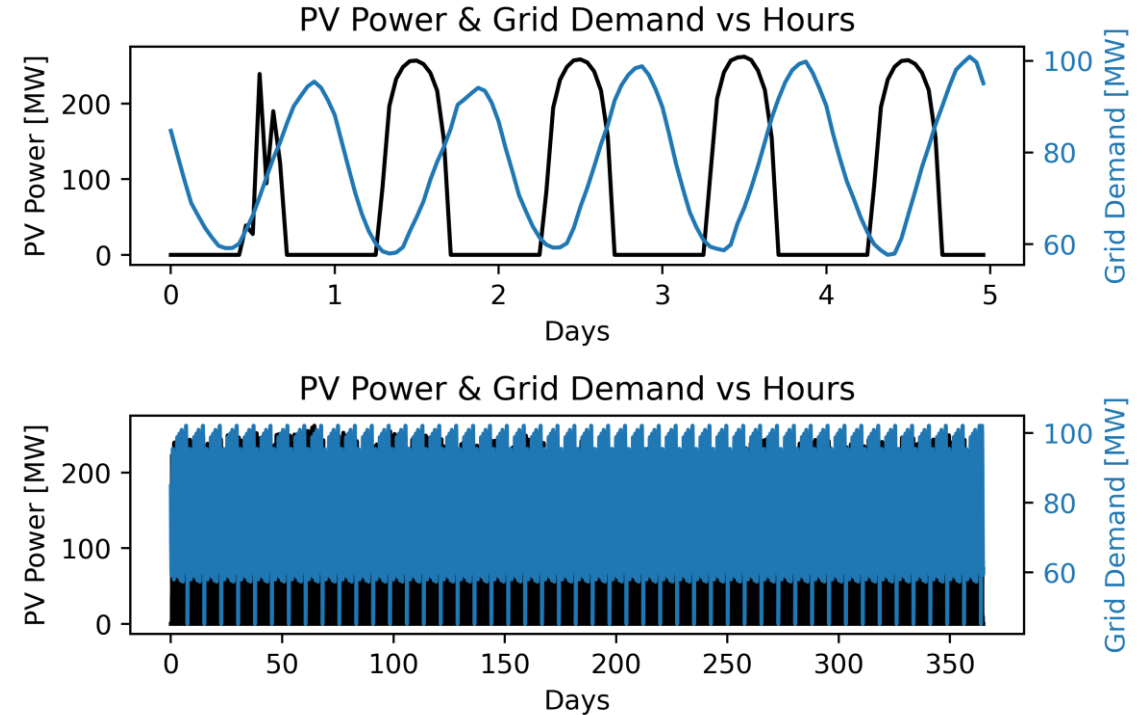
8760 Modeling

- Models energy storage system (ESS) using hourly data over a year
- Utilizes hourly grid demand and energy availability data
- Assesses system performance in dynamic environment

SNL 8760 Modeling

- Compare ESS within the same setting
- Assesses Impacts of:
 - Power purchase agreement
 - Energy available for charging
 - System efficiency

Modeling



Fixed Parameter	Value	Units
Peak grid demand/discharge	100	MW
Operational life	30	Years
Loan percentage	50	%
Interest rate	8	%
Base Electricity Price	0.05	\$/kWh



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Model assesses standalone ESS

Excess PV energy for charging

Varied Model Parameters

Electricity Pricing

- Flat
- Hypothetical "100% RE" Scenario

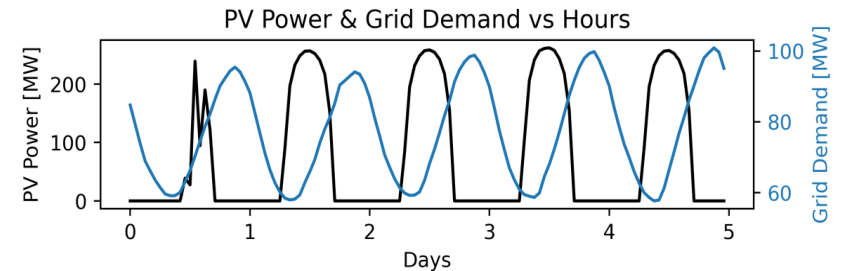
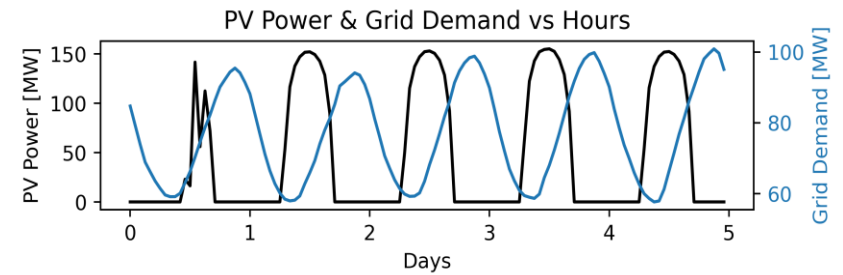
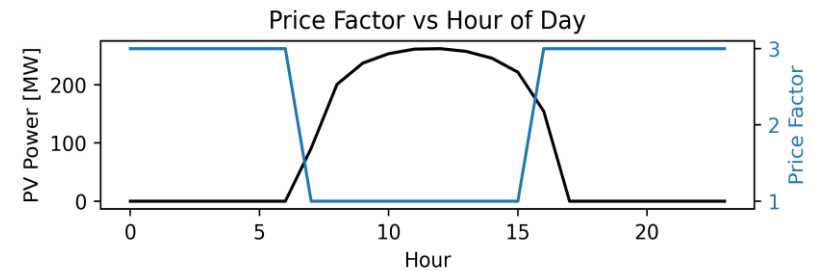
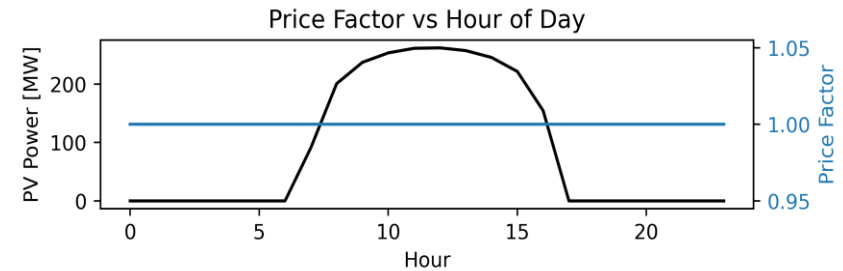
Power available for charging

- 100 MW max charge
- 200 MW max charge

System Efficiency

- TES system RTE
- 35-60 %

Modeling





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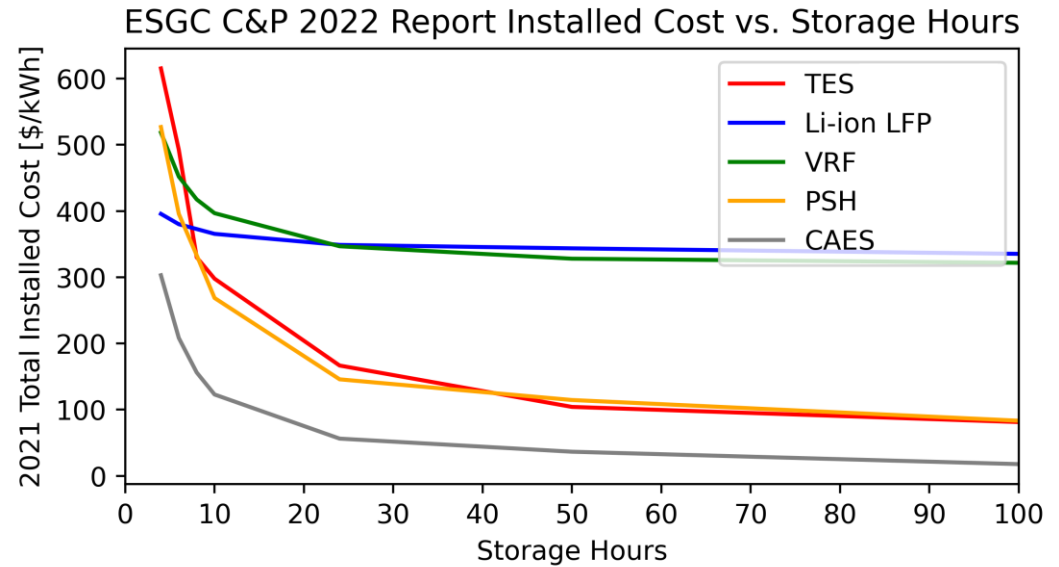
Systems Analyzed

- Li-ion LFP
- Vanadium Redox Flow (VRF)
- Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH)
- Compressed Air Energy Storage – Caverns (CAES)
- Thermal Energy Storage (TES)

ESGC Cost & Performance 2022 Report used as basis for analysis

- Installed Cost
- RTE
- Lifespan
- O&M Cost

Modeling



ESS	Life Time [years]	RTE [%]	O&M [\$/kW-yr]
PSH	59.9	79.9	28.19
Vanadium Redox Flow	11.9	65.5	12.08
Li-ion LFP	16.0	82.5	9.87
CAES	59.9	51.9	16.11
Thermal	33.9	51.7	32.31



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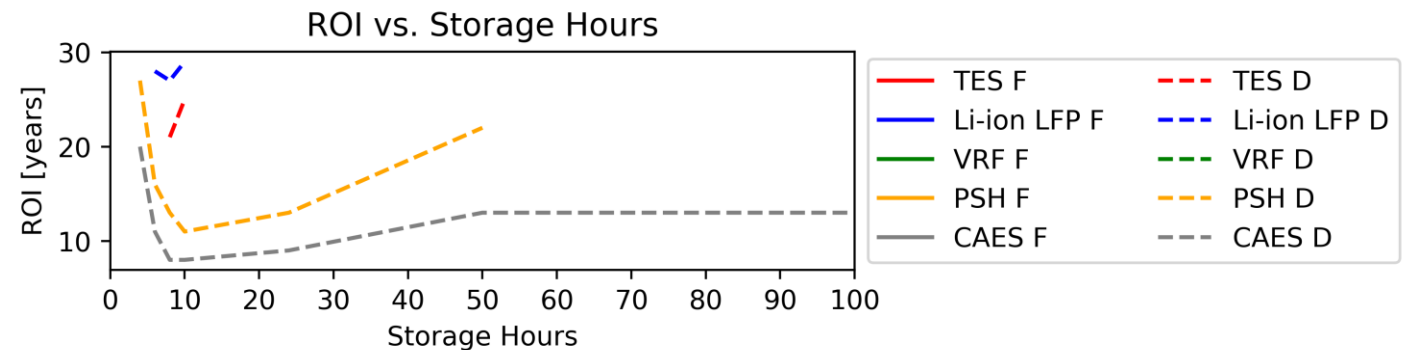
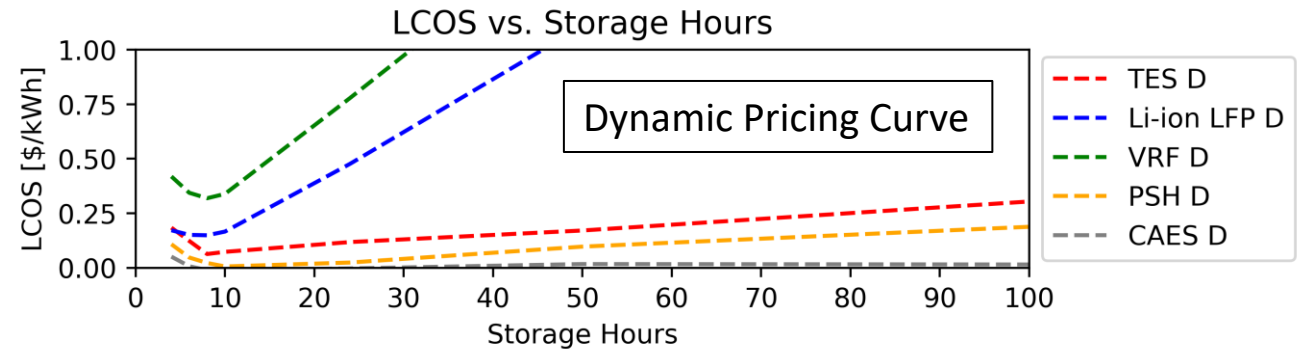
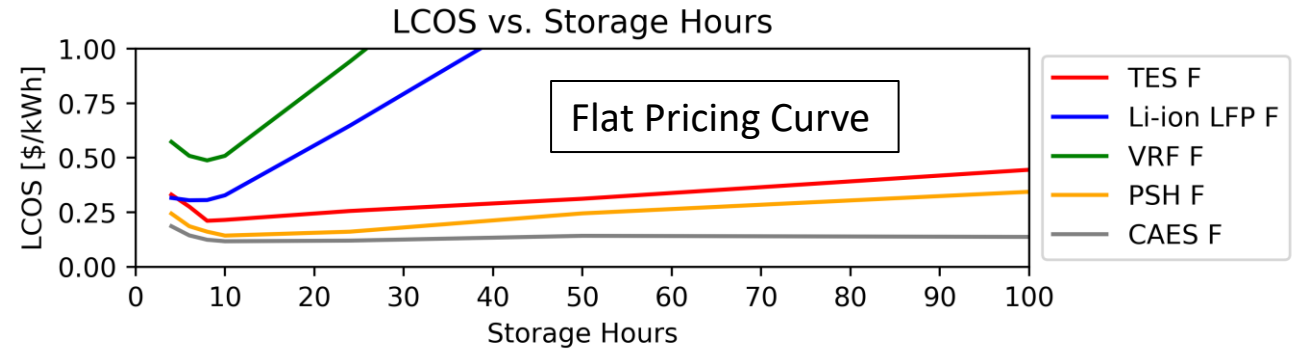
$$LCOS = \frac{\sum_1^n (CAPEX + O\&M + I - Net\ Profit)}{\sum_1^n E_{out}}$$

200 MW Charge General Trends

- CAES & PSH lowest LCOS
- TES lowest LCOS 8+ hours without geographical constraint
- Li-ion LFP lowest LCOS 4 hours without geographical constraint

Influence of Electricity Pricing

- Buying “low” and selling “high” reduces system cost via increased Net Profit of electricity sold
- Enables return on investment (ROI)





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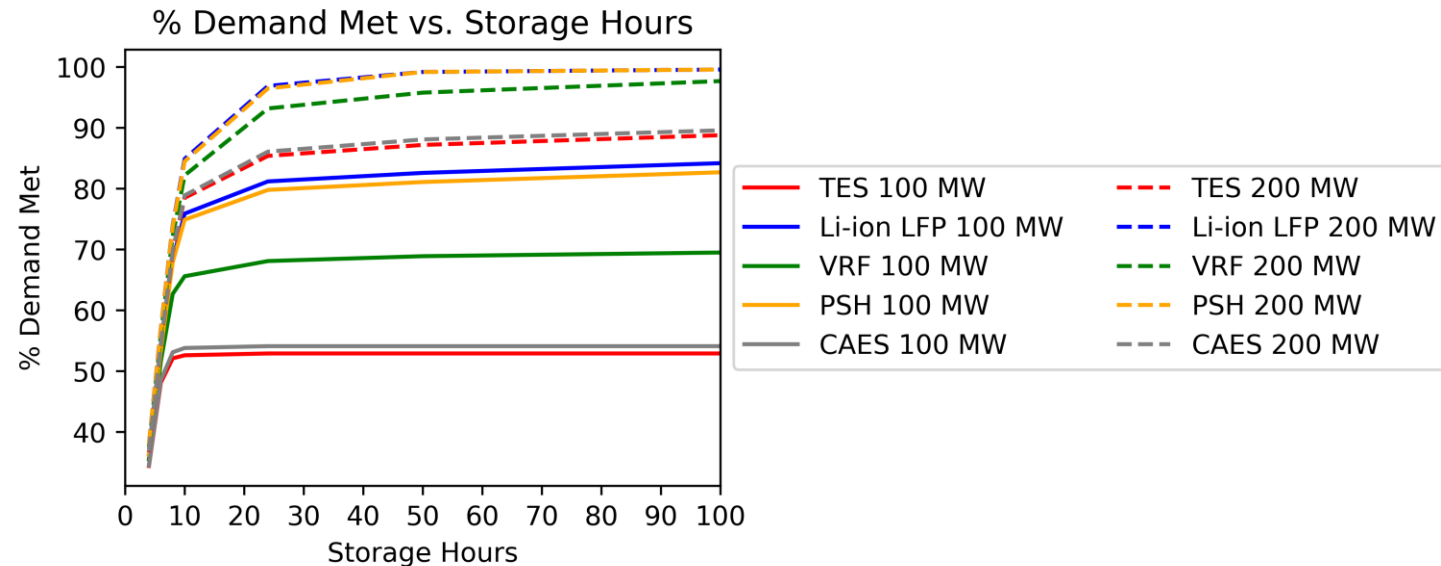
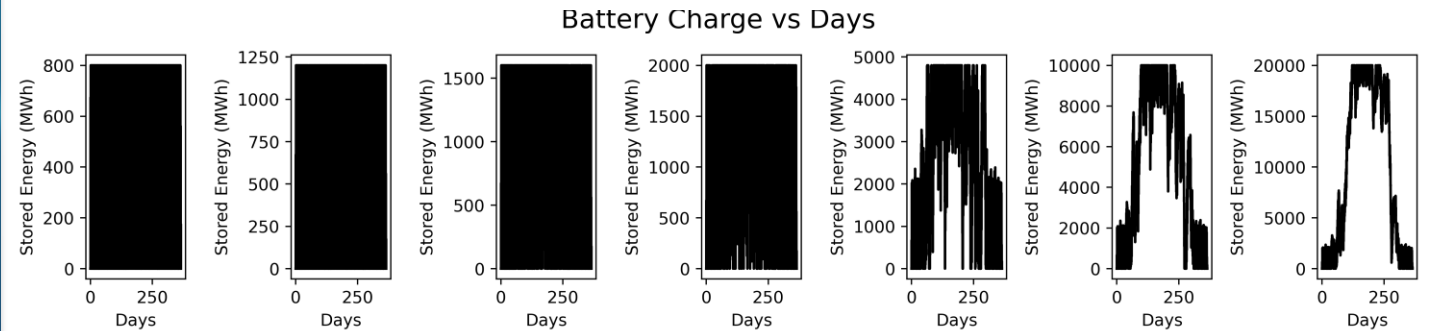
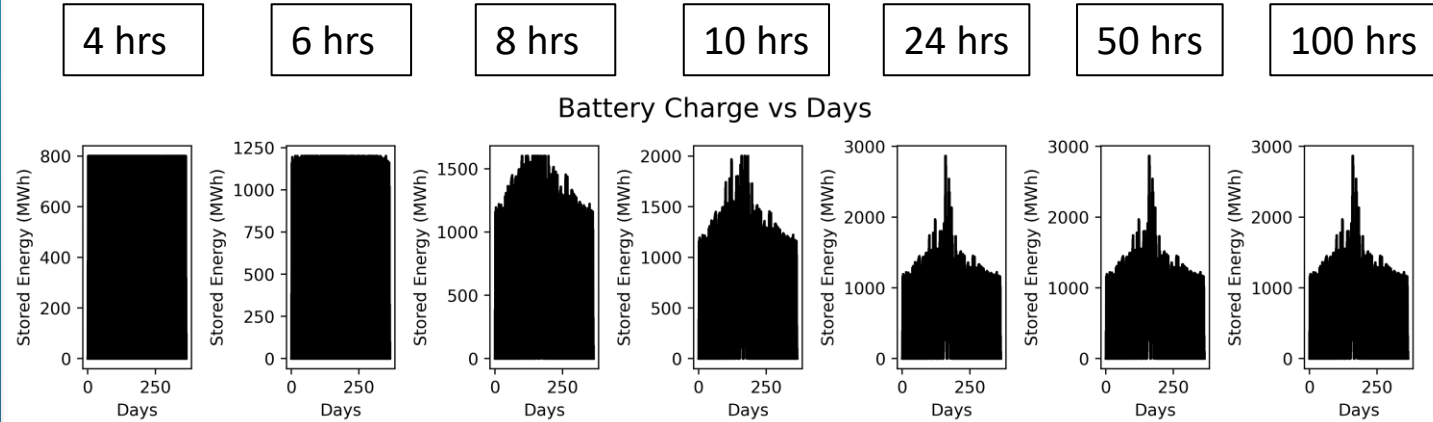
Influence of Available Charging Energy

- Increased storage duration requires sufficient power to charge
- Increased charging power increases % demand met by system

$$\%_{demand} = \frac{E_{out,ESS}}{E_{grid\ demand}}$$

100 MW
Charge

200 MW
Charge

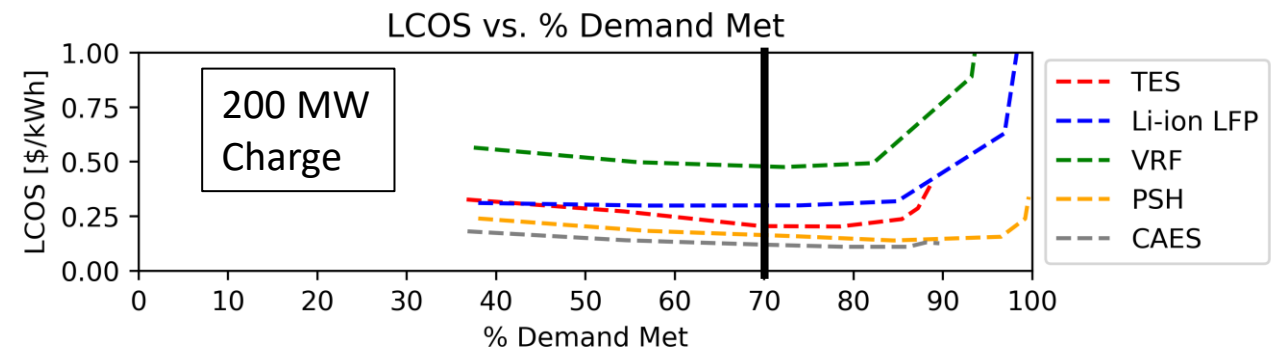
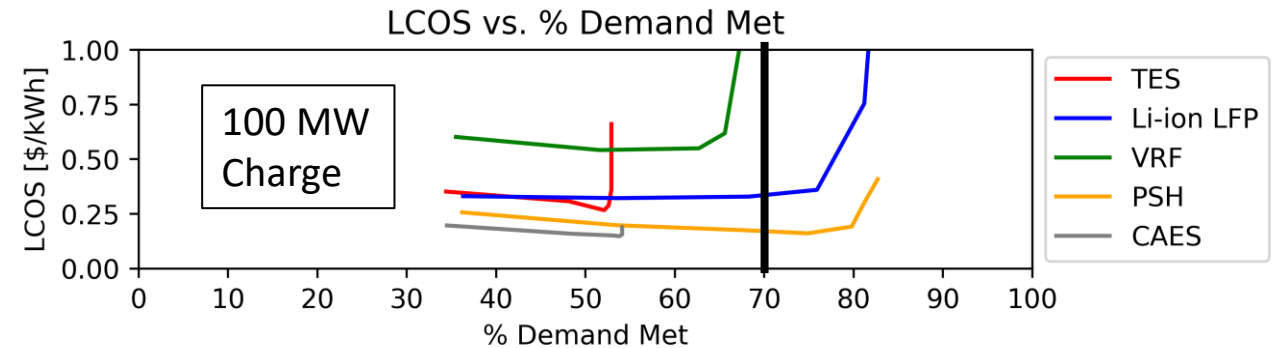
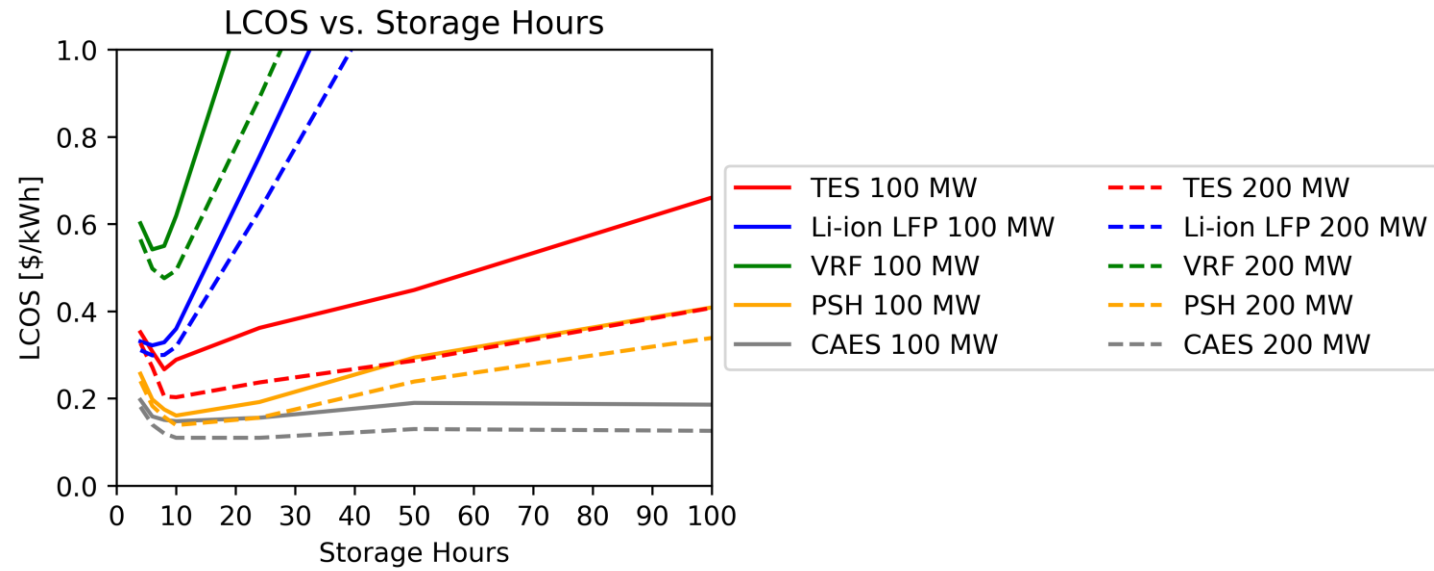




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Influence of Available Charging Energy

- Increased battery utilization decreases system cost
- Lowest cost solution may not meet % met demand requirement

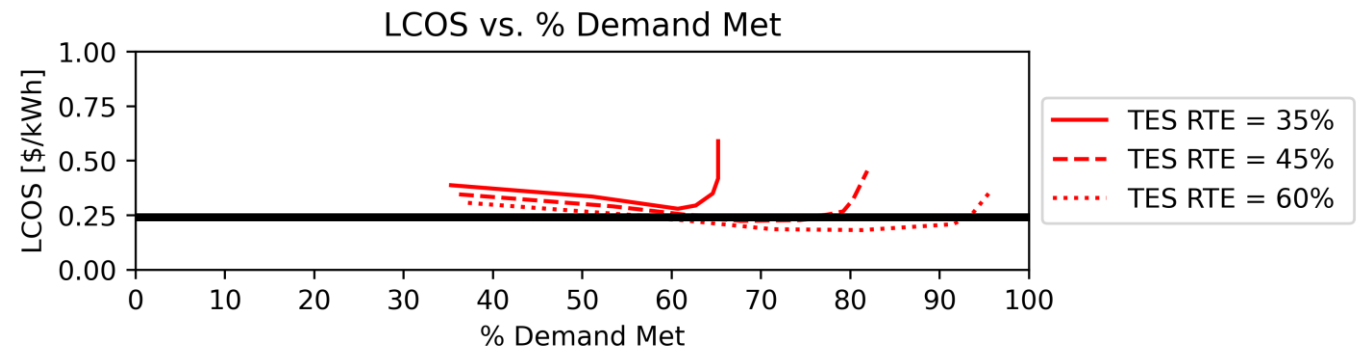
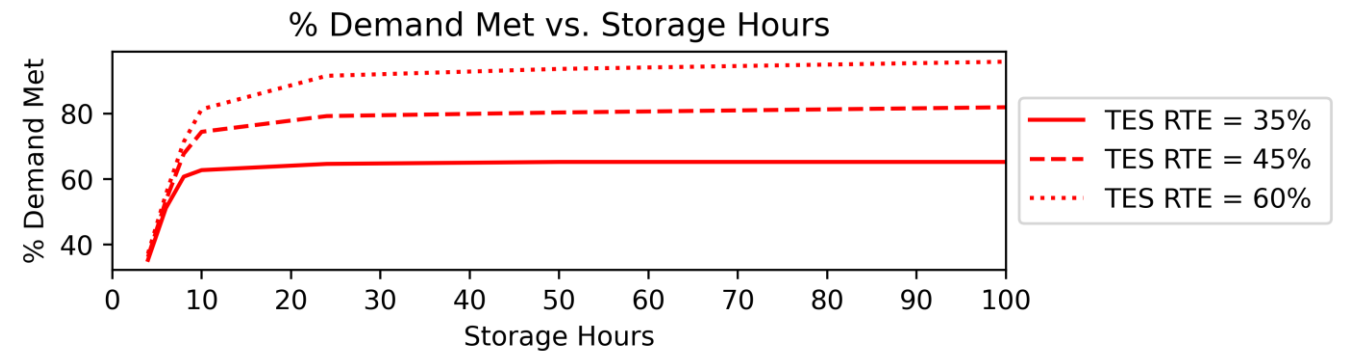
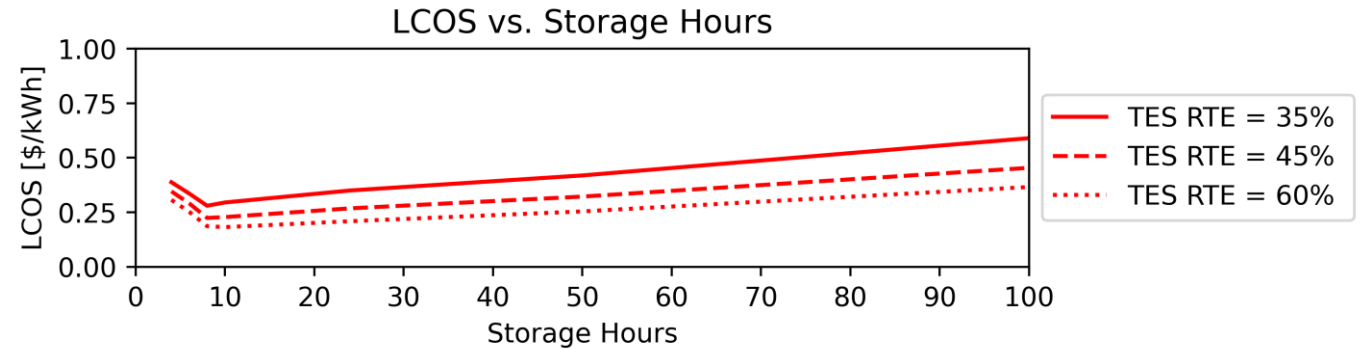




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Influence of Round Trip Efficiency

- Increased ESS RTE reduces LCOS
- Increased ESS RTE increases % demand met for specific scenario
- Higher % demand met for same LCOS





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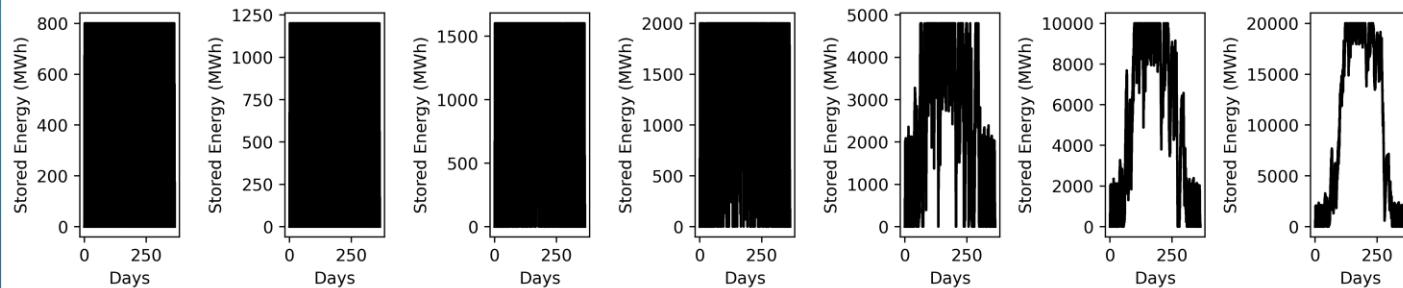
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ESS selection is scenario specific

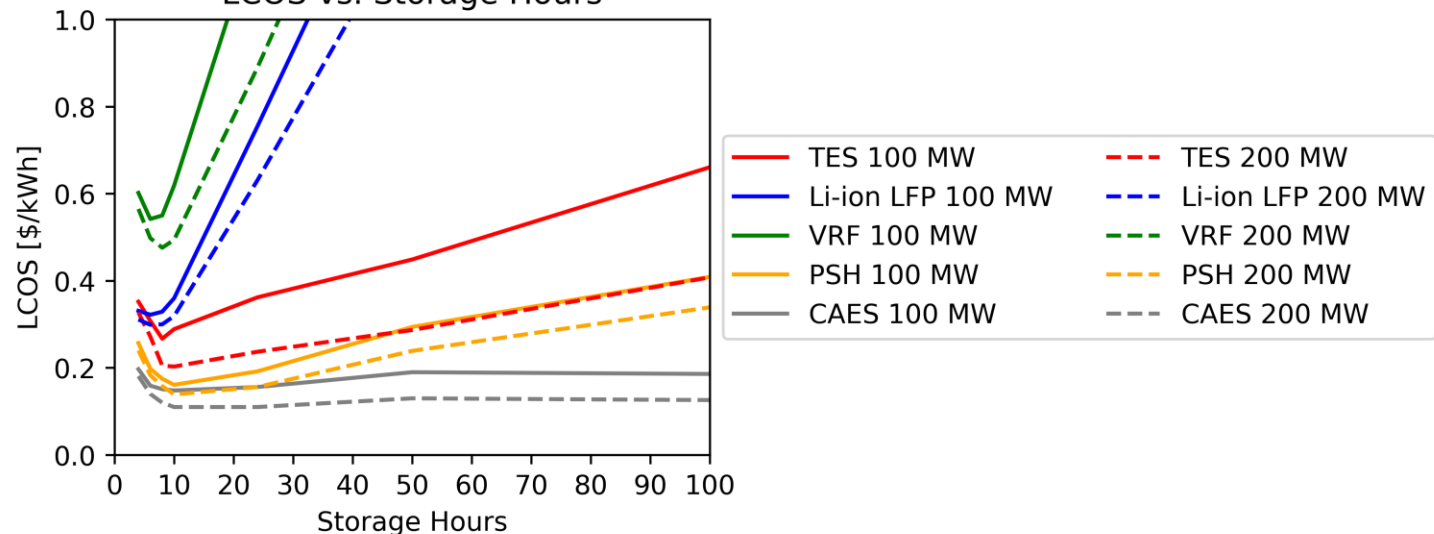
Key ESS selection considerations:

- Power purchase agreement
- Grid demand
- Available energy for charging
- System RTE
- % demand met requirement
- LCOS requirement/ROI requirement

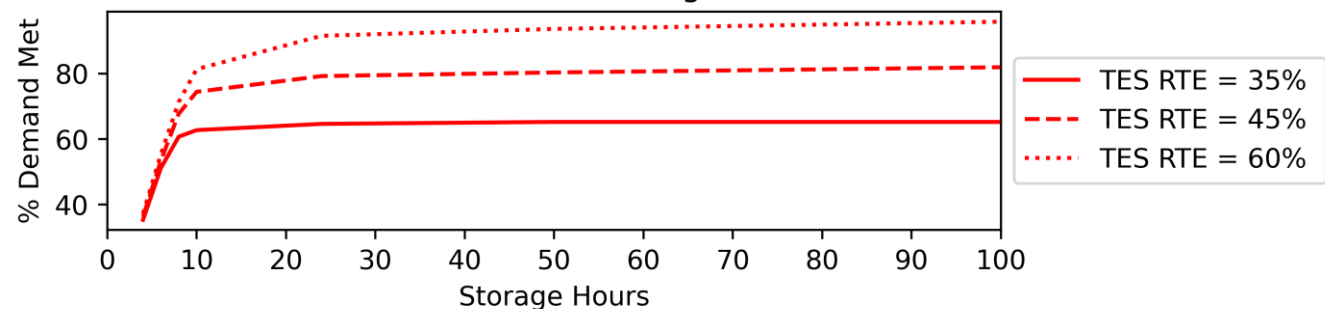
Battery Charge vs Days

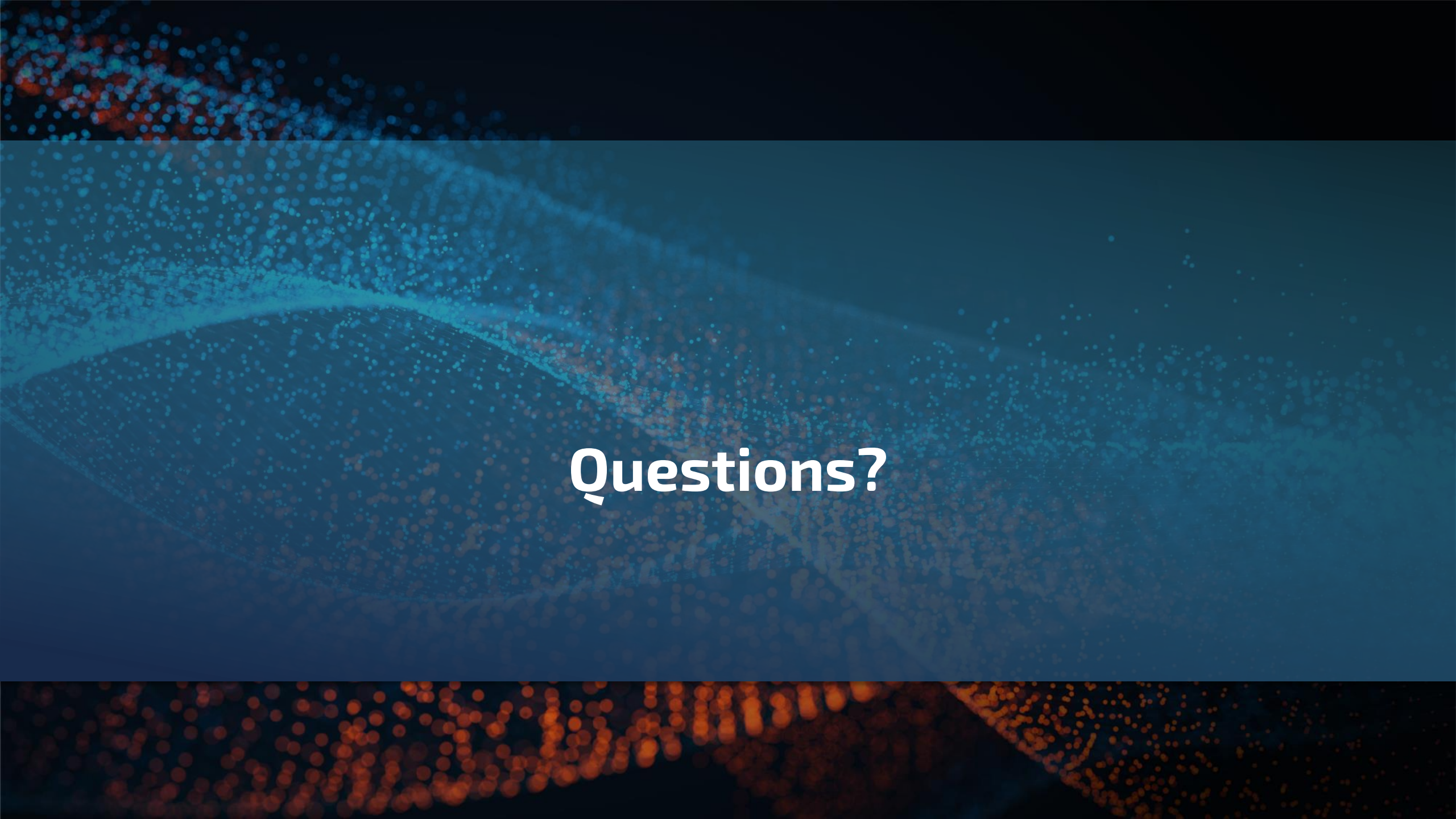


LCOS vs. Storage Hours



% Demand Met vs. Storage Hours





Questions?