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# Which energy storage method has the lowest cost







#### **Overview**

This paper presents a detailed analysis of the levelized cost of storage (LCOS) for different electricity storage technologies. Costs were analyzed for a long-term storage system (100 MW power and 70 GWh ca.

Which energy storage techniques have the lowest cost?

Part three compares energy density and capacity cost of several energy storage techniques. Capacity cost and required area are significant when considering storage densities in the TerraWatt-hour range. Thermal storage has the lowest cost. Part four compares the efficiency and energy leakage of the storage techniques of part 3.

Which energy storage technologies will be more cost efficient in the future?

The ratio of charging/discharging unit power and storage capacity is important. PSH and CAES are low-cost technologies for short-term energy storage. PtG technologies will be more cost efficient for long-term energy storage. LCOS for battery technologies can reach about 20 €ct/kWh in the future.

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Capacity cost and required area are significant when considering storage densities in the TerraWatt-hour range. Thermal storage has the lowest cost. Part four compares the efficiency and energy leakage of the storage techniques of part 3. Unfortunately energy leaks are significant for thermal storage. Pumped hydro and batteries score much better.

Which storage option offers the cheapest energy density?

Of the listed storage options lithium-ion battery storage offers the best energy density, second only to flywheels. From a capacity cost perspective we observe that thermal storage offers the cheapest storage, then mechanical storage (excluding flywheels) and then battery power.

What is the levelized cost of Energy Storage (LCOS)?



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Which energy storage technology has the lowest LCoS?

The results for the long-term storage show that Pumped-Storage Hydroelectricity has the lowest LCOS among the mature technologies today. Power to Gas technologies, once established on the market, may also provide long-term electricity storage at even lower LCOS.



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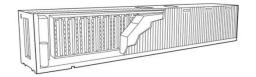


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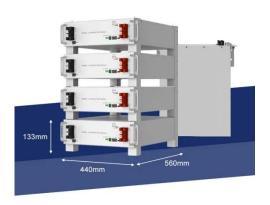




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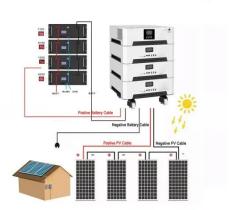
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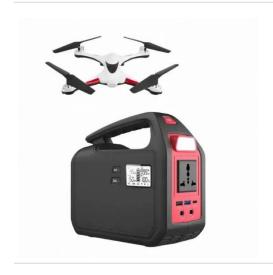


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