

#### **Stationary Energy Storage Systems**

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#### Competence E



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#### **Competence E**

- Competence E combines research activities along the value chain for Li-Ion Batteries
- stationary and mobile applications
- **Aim:** Cost-effective product design and production technologies



Research activities : High-energy materials, Compact cell designs, Modular battery designs, System integration



#### Installation of BESS in DC coupling 50-250 kWp





#### PV field 37 kWp

System will start its operation on an Greek island beginning of 2015! Replacement of diesel generators







Fluctuating energy production can be controlled by an intelligent predictive control!

#### Battery Energy Storage System "BESS"





#### Areas where challenges are faced according to "Big Data":

- System control
- Data analysis
- System sizing

#### **Characteristic Fluctuation Frequencies of PV-Generators**



#### Measurement 1st July 2014 - Constant Load Profile







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#### **Importance of Fast Data in Storage Systems**



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- Reliable and accurate control algorithms  $\rightarrow$  fast and accurate data
- Slow data  $\rightarrow$  to dead time in the control algorithm
  - Changes in the process variable are only observed after they take place
  - System is slow to respond to control commands
- - Battery storage systems can compensate these fluctuations but data rates of around 5 - 10 Hz are required
- Factors that affect data rates
  - Sensors: many current sensors on the market operate at much slower rates (around 1 – 5 Hz)
  - Hardware-software interface
  - Time synchronization of system components

#### Data Analysis - Status and Performance of PV-Storage Systems



#### Adei: Web based tool to visualize and export data



- Data is updated every 1 minute 5 minutes
- Data sampling rate: 500 ms
- DC-coupled storage system: ~90 status bits, ~ 90 process variables



## Experience in Data Analytics in PV and PV-Storage Systems

## 1 MW PV-plant at KIT starting its operation in July 2014





→ 502liftiffæren attabless - 30 different variables per table
 → 4 different types of converters, 6 different types of solar panels

## Effect of the Eclipse of last Week over 72 different Array Configurations





#### Different Converters Sampling Rates & Time "Framing"



[4:30 - 23:30] every day



(SR = 5 min) -> 230 values every day

7 kB per table



(SR = 1 sec ) -> 68.401 every day



~2065 kB per table

#### **Calculating the Daily Peak Power**







#### **Example of Out of Sync Data**



#### Typical Worst-Case-Scenario of AC Power Noisy Readings during the Day





#### **Filtering Noise and Filling Missing Data**







#### Sensors "Blackouts"



#### **Experience in Data Analytics in PV Systems**



- Dealing with missing and erroneous data 
  → repeated time-stamps, converters that are out of service
- Resampling data to a different Sampling Rate 
   comparison or just for compressing.

#### **Experience in Data Analytics in PV Systems**



- Run Test of all the converters avoid errors due to extraordinary scenarios, e.g. no working array (empty array)
- Visualizing and plotting tools must be efficient
- Data processing and filtering is important
  - Large volumes of data need to be filtered
  - Desired information should be extracted from data before plotting



# Simulation and Sizing of Systems

#### **Simulation and Sizing of Systems**



Components of the System: PV (size and orientation) + Battery (size) + power electronics (size)

- Aim: Identifying the optimal size of the different components
   Adjusted to the load profile of the future system operator
  - ➔ most cost effective combination

Input data: Load curve of the system operator Solar radiation at the specific location

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#### Simulations and Sizing of PV-Storage Systems

#### Variety of different configurations :

#### **P**V:

- 10 different sizes of the total PV field
- 10 different sizes of PV field one
- 8 different angels of orientation
- 4 different angels of inclination
- Battery:
  - 10 different sizes
- DCDC:
  - 5 different sizes
- DCAC
  - 5 different sizes





#### Energy Costs - Comparison of Different Orientations of the PV Plant and Battery Sizes





## Optimal size of a PV-storage system can be detected out of around 2.5 Mio alternatives

#### Storage and big data



- Simulation and data analysis are becoming important parts of storage system development
- Many software tools used in industry struggle to handle large volumes of data
- Computing power affects simulation:
  - Software must be correctly designed to use memory effectively
  - Software tools with graphic user interfaces are often too slow



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