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Abstract. With regard to the inclusion and development of renewable energy sources, the existing electrical grid has undergone a remarkable progression, which has been observed (RES). When it comes to minimizing the intermittent nature of this sort of power generation, the implementation of energy storage technology is very necessary. This energy may then be fed back into the grid or delivered to consumers. A wide range of energy storage methods have been investigated by academics and industry experts, who have also included a great deal of renewable energy sources in these systems. As a response to the significant advancements that have been made in this field, this article provides a comprehensive analysis of a number of different methods for the storage of energy. These methods include chemical, magnetic, thermochemical, hydrogen, and compressed air energy storage. They are subjected to in-depth analysis, classification, and evaluation to shed light on the particular qualities, limitations, and benefits that they possess. Specific frameworks are provided for various energy storage systems in the study, based on the applications that are intended for those systems. This item represents an essential point of reference that is essential to their success. It is essential for researchers to develop innovative RES, as recommended by the prospective direction, in order to successfully address the issues that are present in power system networks. The purpose of these advancements is to guarantee dependability, improve power quality, and achieve the goal of satisfying the ever-increasing energy requirements of the future.

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1. INTRODUCTION

There has been a notable increase in the incorporation of renewable energy sources (RES) into the electricity grid in recent times. The growth can be linked to a decrease in reliance on conventional energy sources as well as an increase in the demand for electricity to fulfill a variety of requirements. The utilization of microgrids is a very efficient approach for integrating renewable energy sources (RES) and improving the efficiency of these particular sources. There has been a significant increase in the amount of electrical energy that is being used by many industries, including transportation, manufacturing, and communication [1-3].

However, renewable energy sources have intrinsic limits, such as their inability to be deployed and their ability to react to fluctuations in demand, which is weaker than other energy sources [4]. It is recommended that energy storage systems (ESS) be strategically deployed in order to reduce these issues in order to successfully solve such challenges[5]. The Energy Storage System (ESS) provides a wide range of alternatives for the storage of energy from renewable sources. These possibilities include flow batteries, supercapacitors, and batteries. In comparison to both normal capacitors and secondary ion batteries, supercapacitors often have capacities that are significantly greater [6].

An essential part of the generation of electricity is played by ESS, which is responsible for easing the integration of various energy sources in order to satisfy the demand for power. Given that the generation of electricity by various Renewable Energy Sources (RES) is dependent on the conditions of the atmosphere, (ESS) serve as a solution for difficulties that are produced by power intermittency. Since this is the case, (ESS) including batteries, ultracapacitors, flywheels, and thermochemical storage systems are extremely efficient in guaranteeing that customers receive a constant and uninterrupted supply of electricity. Additionally, there is a considerable contribution that ESS makes to the enhancement of power quality by carrying out activities such as the regulation of frequency and voltage, the management of power fluctuations, and the provision of ancillary services [7].

Consequently, in order to meet these requirements, a broad variety of energy storage technologies have come into existence. The applications of these technologies may be found in a broad variety of domains, including mechanical, electrical, chemical, and electrochemical. Batteries have developed into an essential technology for the storage of energy, and they play an essential part in ensuring the reliability of power networks [8]. Furthermore, (ESS) play an essential part in off-grid systems by successfully regulating power fluctuations, modifying frequency, and enhancing overall system stability. This is accomplished through the appropriate utilization of ESS. For the purpose of storing and controlling power for a variety of purposes, it is possible to provide a comprehensive solution by combining numerous energy storage devices [9].

Battery (ESS), often known as BESSs, can be assigned to one of many categories based on their properties. One way to categorize BESSs is depending to the applications they are used for. Within the scope of the research study titled "Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESSs) and the Economy-Dynamics of Microgrids," BESS applications are classified into several groups according to the temporal constants that they possess [10].

It is also possible to categorize BESSs according to their level of dependability. The research article titled "Convolutional Neural Network-Based False Battery Data Detection and Classification for (BESSs) " presents a framework that is designed to guarantee the authenticity of battery data. Identifying and classifying erroneous battery sensor data and communication data is accomplished through the utilization of a deep learning algorithm by this framework. Both the results of the simulation and the outcomes of the experiments provide evidence that the proposed method is genuine [11].

These examples demonstrate the various ways in which BESSs can be categorized according to different criteria. Additionally, BESSs can be categorized according to many criteria, including technology, size, and location.

The battery installations' capacity has experienced a substantial increase between 2019 and 2023 ,as shown in Fig.1. The specific capacity may vary depending on the geographical location and the type of battery installations. However, there has been a noticeable pattern of expansion attributed to the growing need for energy storage and the escalating usage of electric vehicles [12]. BloombergNEF's analysis predicts that the global energy storage industry will reach a total of 358 gigawatt-hours by 2030. It also estimates that there will be around $1.2 trillion invested in new energy storage capacity over the next 20 years. This signifies a significant surge in the installation of batteries within the defined timeframe [13].

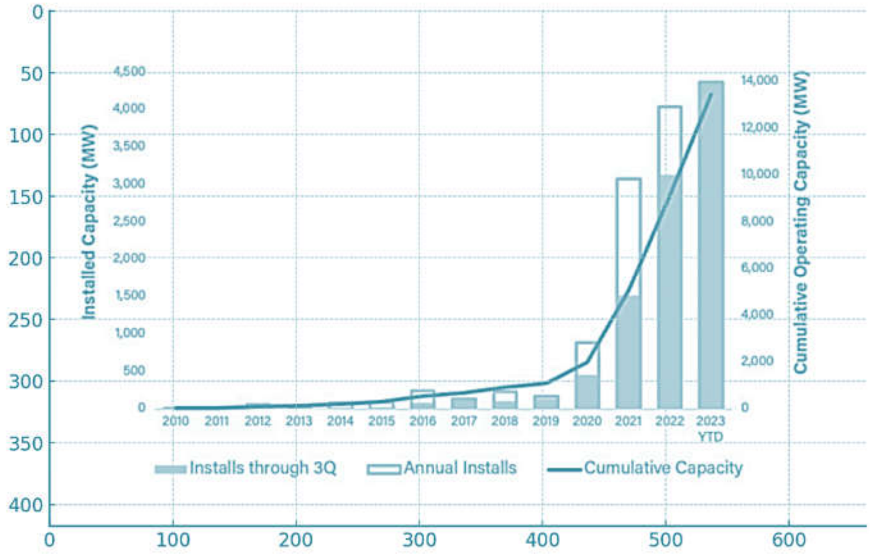

FIGURE 1. The capacity of battery installations during 2010 to 2023

As shown in Fig.2, ESS technologies can be categorized according to many factors, such as their application, technological type, or energy storage medium. ESS technologies can be categorized into four main types: electrochemical (such as batteries), mechanical (such as pumped hydro), thermal (such as molten salt), and chemical (such as hydrogen storage).

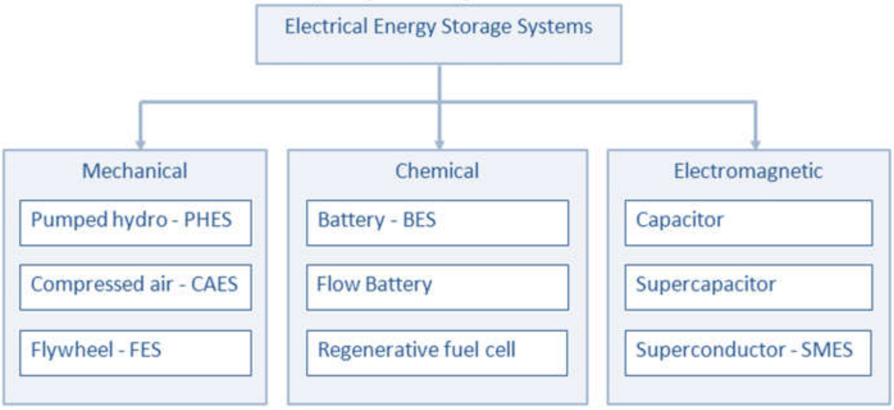

FIGURE 2. ESS technology classification

2. CATEGORIES OF TECHNIQUES UTILIZING ESS

A. Mechanical ESS

Mechanical electrical (ESS) are a form of energy storage technology that employs mechanical and electrical elements to store and discharge energy. These systems are specifically engineered to address the difficulties associated with energy storage, including fluctuations in energy demand throughout the year and unexpected periods of high energy consumption. The storage of mechanical energy may be accomplished through a variety of methods, including pumped hydro energy storage (PHES), compressed air energy storage (CAES), and flywheel energy storage, amongst others (FES). Furthermore, there is an increasing fascination with mechanical-electric-hydraulic hybrid (ESS), specifically in relation to the recovery and transformation of energy in vehicles. These systems have the capability to store electrical energy and endure mechanical loads, making them appropriate for many applications like as automotive, aerospace, and marine systems [14-16].

Through the utilization of the formula for kinetic energy, which is, it is possible to ascertain the quantity of energy that is stored in a mechanical system.

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad (1)$$

The mass of the item that is traveling is denoted by (m), while its velocity is denoted by (v). It is possible to use this formula to determine, for instance, the amount of energy that is stored in a flywheel. The power that is stored in a spinning mass may be calculated using the equation, which is another essential equation.

$$P = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \tag{2}$$

in which the moment of inertia is denoted by (I) and the angular velocity is denoted by (ω). In order to have a complete understanding of the capacity of mechanical systems to store energy, these equations are absolutely necessary. In order to have a complete understanding of the capacity of mechanical systems to store energy, these equations are absolutely necessary.

B. Chemical Storage Systems

The energy contained within electrochemical (ESS), such as batteries, can be determined by employing the formula for electrical energy, denoted as

$$E = V \times Q \tag{3}$$

where (V) represents the voltage and (Q) signifies the charge. This equation expresses the amount of energy stored in the battery as a function of its voltage and charge. In addition, the power provided by a battery can be determined using the formula

$$P = V \times I \tag{4}$$

where (P) represents the power, (V) represents the voltage, and (I) represents the current. These equations are essential for comprehending the energy storage and power transmission capacities of electrochemical energy storage devices.

C. Electromagnetic Energy Storage Systems

The storage of energy in the magnetic field that is produced by the passage of direct current is accomplished by SMES devices through the utilization of superconducting coils that are cooled below their critical temperature for superconductivity. A cryogenically cooled refrigerator, a power conditioning system, and a superconducting coil are the components that make up these refrigeration systems [17].

SMES systems exhibit versatility and can fulfill various functions such as power supply, control, and emergency systems inside contemporary energy networks. Applications encompass assisting in various functions such as flexible AC transmission systems (FACTS), load leveling, load frequency control, providing uninterruptible power supplies (UPS), aiding in circuit breaker reclosing, acting as spinning reserves, functioning in superconducting fault current limiters (SFCL), and powering electromagnetic launchers[18, 19].

The equation that represents the energy stored in an inductor is as follows:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} L I^2 \tag{5}$$

Where (L) represents the inductance of the inductor (in henrys), (I) represents the current that is flowing through the inductor, and (I) represents the amount of energy that is stored in the inductor (in joules) (in amperes).

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF GRID TECHNIQUES

A. Management of Power Grid Operations

In contrast to specific forms of (ESS) that require pre-determined locations for installation, such as underground caves or water reservoirs, (BESS) provide the advantage of being able to be installed in a wide range of places. (BESS) are becoming increasingly competitive as a result of the development of associated technologies. These systems are able to store more energy and supply more power per unit of volume, which is a direct result of the growing demand for batteries. Recent studies of ESS applications show a clear preference for adopting BESS as the favored storage solution[20, 21].

B. Arbitration of Energy Disputes

Energy arbitration is widely acknowledged as a crucial component in the economic framework of grid operations. (ESS) are strategically used to generate financial benefits by buying and selling energy at different times. The primary objective is to take advantage of elevated energy costs for sales and utilize storage during periods of low prices[22]. The extensive integration of (ESS) throughout American and European territory has been driven by their economic and technical advantages [23].

C. Load management

For a considerable amount of time, this change has preeminent concerns about the network's reliability and stability. The increasing difference in load profiles and changes in low-demand periods has raised the importance of effective storage regulation in the functioning of the electrical system [24]. Industrial entities often utilize high-powered devices and machines that consume significant amounts of electricity during specific time periods throughout the day. It is typical to agree to pay extra fees in order to meet high levels of demand, taking into account the rates based on client demand. As a result, industrial users frequently face charges that are determined by their highest level of demand, in addition to charges for energy usage, which are usually calculated based on a 15-minute average. Peak demand charges might make up a significant amount of the financial expenditure. The fundamental concept of peak shaving is illustrated in Fig.3. The transient occurrence of maximum power significantly amplifies stress and reduces the efficiency of the grid [25].

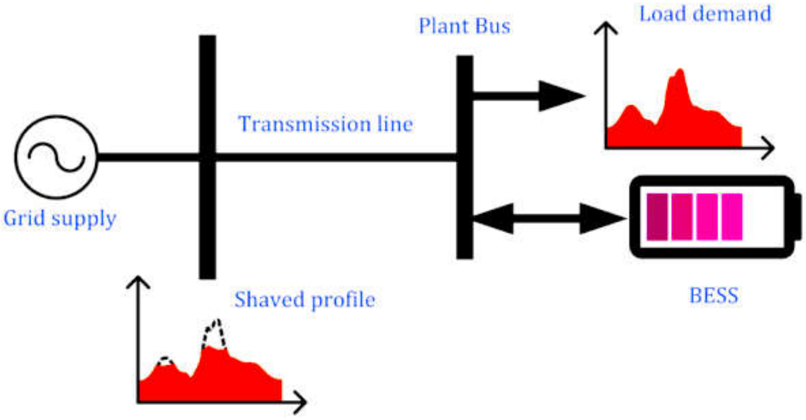

FIGURE 3. A fundamental understanding of the idea of peak shaving

D. Spinning Reserve

Within the context of the electrical system, the spinning reserve is a component that is dormant when the system is working [26]. However, it is only used to address temporary power shortages. The primary purpose of the spinning standby is to enhance demand during power interruptions. The rotating standby must have the ability to provide power for at least one hour [27].

E. Results and Energy storage technologies

Energy storage systems, are extremely important in the process of storing energy and releasing it in a regulated manner. This process leads to a decrease in costs and makes it possible for renewable energy (RE) to be seamlessly integrated into the power grid systems. By generating high power and energy density, they are able to handle the problem of intermittent generation of renewable energy, which ultimately results in an improvement in the stability of the supply chain. Additionally, as presented in Fig.4, HESS is able to facilitate the development of wind turbines and solar generators that are decentralized.

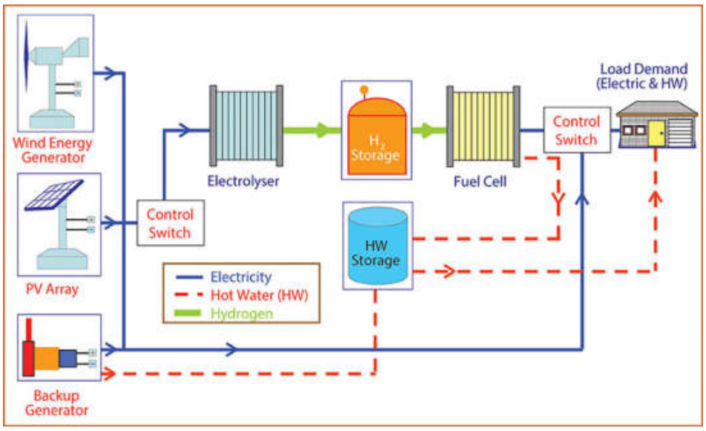

FIGURE 4. HESS assist distributed solar generators

Providing correction for voltage is a difficult task, due to the growing integration of renewable energy (RE) into contemporary power grids, as the voltage at the bus may surpass that of the buses located upstream. Such as in Fig.5., An innovative approach to voltage compensation in grids with high levels of renewable energy penetration was outlined in [28, 29].This approach involved the utilization of distributed (ESS) for voltage correction.

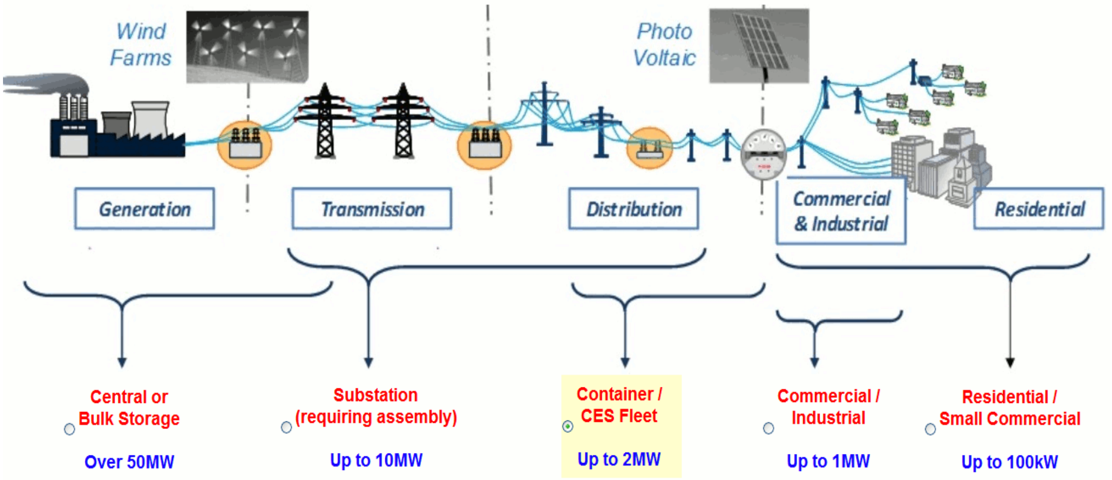

FIGURE 5. Locations where ESS activate in electricity system

Battery energy storage system (BESS) deterioration is a separate problem that can be addressed by implementing a control approach to centrally manage distributed-BESS inside a microgrid. Implementing this method led to a significant 57% boost in the overall lifespan of the BESS.

Optimal sizing and strategic placement of (ESS) are essential for guaranteeing both effective energy utilization and the provision of high-quality service offerings. To tackle this difficulty, several techniques such as heuristic methods, mathematical programming, exhaustive searches, and analytical approaches are employed. Some examples of advanced techniques are the Parallel Particle Swarm Optimization – Genetic Algorithm (PPSO-GA), which is used for optimizing the size of storage in dispatchable wind power systems, and a bi-level optimal sizing model for integrated power grid transmission networks and energy storage, see figure 6.,[30].

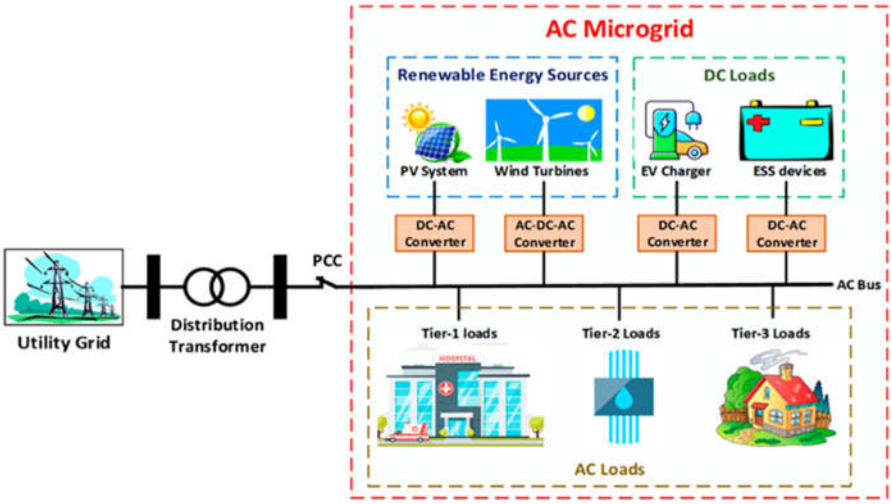

FIGURE 6. ESS to support an AC micro grid

F. Summary

It is possible to make use of electromagnetic (ESS) in a variety of fields, even if renewable energy sources are not incorporated into the utilization of these systems (RES). The following is a condensed table (1) that provides an overview of the applications of (ESS) that do not incorporate Renewable Energy Sources (RES).

Table 1. Summary of ESS application without RES integration as a table

Application Area	Description	Reff.
Power Quality Control	Improving the reliability and standard of electricity in delicate sectors such as microchip manufacturing.	[31]
Grid Stability	Offering immediate electricity to stabilize power systems that experience abrupt fluctuations in demand, as those seen in utility or industrial applications.	[32]
Power Supply Systems	Maintaining a steady flow of energy to provide reliable power delivery.	[33]
Control Systems	Overseeing the demand for and supply of electricity in the grid.	[34]
Emergency Systems	Providing instantaneous electricity in the event of a power breakdown or outage.	[35]
FACTS Devices	Enhancing electric power networks' controllability and capacity to transmit electricity.	[36]
Load Leveling	To keep things in check, we store energy while demand is low and release it when demand is high.	[37]
Load Frequency Control	Addressing generation-load mismatches, particularly in the wind power sector.	[38]
Uninterruptible Power	Keeping essential loads and systems powered up even when there is a power outage or surge.	[39]
Circuit Breaker Reclosing	In order to reopen circuit breakers during power failures, it is necessary to decrease power angle disparities.	[40]
Spinning Reserve	Acting as a secondary power source that may be rapidly deployed to address surges in demand.	[41]
SFCL(Superconducting fault current limiter)	Keeping the grid stable and protecting equipment from harm by limiting fault currents.	[42]
Electromagnetic Launchers	Providing electric projectile weapons with the high-power pulse they need.	[43]

G. Economic and Technical Challenges of Integrating Energy Storage Systems for Smart Grid Improvement

The incorporation of (ESS) to improve smart grids is a relatively recent technological development within the last decade. In addition to understanding its technical aspects, the economic feasibility of utilizing this technology is essential for its practical adoption. Table 2 consolidates the research endeavors undertaken to tackle the issues of ESS degradation, system efficiency, and financial feasibility that emerge throughout the implementation of ESS technology.

TABLE 2. Challenges and Solutions in ESS Technology Synopsis

Description	Challenge	Research Objective	Technique	Ref
Optimization of a hybrid storage system in household solar setups to minimize costs and self-consumption	Costliness	Cost and system operation optimization	Techno-economic analysis and system modeling	[44]
Planning for hybrid storage in power plants to manage load variations and prolong storage life	Cost and degradation issues	Cost reduction and lifespan extension strategies	Net Present Cost model and project life cycle assessment	[45]
Hybrid storage configuration for microgrids to reduce yearly costs and extend storage longevity	Storage degradation	Annual cost minimization and lifespan enhancement	Dynamic growth and sizing optimization techniques	[46]
Design of optimal storage configurations to enhance lifespan and manage energy in renewable energy systems	Storage wear and tear	Lifetime maximization and energy management	Stochastic optimization and forecast-based approach	[47]
Integration of batteries and supercapacitors for wind energy systems to reduce wear and improve lifespan	Wear on storage systems	Lifecycle extension and performance enhancement	Initial cost and 10-year benefit recalculated cost analysis	[48]
Hybrid storage system size and efficiency enhancement for residential solar power	Cost and inefficiency	Cost effectiveness and efficiency optimization	Wind fluctuation and power output optimization algorithm	[49]
Power stability maintenance in hybrid systems through optimal storage configuration	Instability and degradation	Stability improvement and degradation reduction	Frequency-based operational algorithm	[50]
Uniform distribution of generation and storage for optimal efficiency in combined solar and wind systems	Cost and energy imbalance	Efficiency and balance enhancement	Statistical distribution and efficiency algorithm	[51]
Strategic placement of hybrid fuel cell and storage systems for reliability in remote grids	System unreliability and cost	Reliability and cost-efficiency improvement	Sensitivity analysis approach	[52]
Optimization of storage system size for electric vehicles to minimize cost and volume	Size and cost issues	Cost and volume minimization for storage systems	Multi-objective optimization problem solving	[53]
Subsystem sizing of hybrid storage in ship power systems for cost reduction	Excessive system size and cost	System downsizing and cost-saving measures	Discrete Fourier Transform and Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) techniques	[54]
State of charge control for storage systems in microgrids to extend lifespan and reduce costs	Degradation and cost concerns	Lifespan extension and cost minimization	Dual algorithmic strategy for optimization	[55]
Techno-economic assessment of wind microgrids for cost-effectiveness	High operational costs	Cost reduction and system assessment	Techno-economic analysis and system planning	[56]
Storage operation analysis in rural electrification to minimize degradation	Storage degradation and system stress	Degradation reduction and stress management	Techno-economic analysis including system degradation	[57]
Lifespan optimization of battery management for active power in wind-diesel systems	Storage wear and lifespan reduction	Lifespan maximization and system efficiency enhancement	Parcelled system costs and wear optimization techniques	[58]

CONCLUSION

The purpose of this work was to improve the readers' understanding of the execution of ESS procedures. In an effort to enhance the reliability of smart grids and to make them more environmentally sustainable, a comprehensive analysis of (ESS) was carried out. In this study, the classification and evaluation of several types of (ESS) were the primary focuses. These systems include thermal, mechanical, electrochemical, electrical, and chemical technologies. The conversation then moved on to the idea of hybrid (ESS), often known as HESS. Increasing the quantity of energy that can be stored is the goal of this idea, which involves combining a number of different types of (ESS). ESS primarily enhances the integration of renewable energy sources (RES) inside the grid and optimizes the operations of the power grid.

ESS offers grid support through load balancing, energy trading, reducing peak demand, managing voltage and frequency, and restoring power after an outage. In addition, (ESS) play a crucial role in the seamless incorporation of Renewable Energy Sources (RES) by efficiently managing variations in frequency and voltage, limiting the flow of power in the opposite direction, and improving the flexibility and effectiveness of the overall system.

In addition, the article examines several configurations of hybrid energy storage systems (HESS), which include combining different types of (ESS) to create a more advanced alternative for storing energy. The study closes by conducting a thorough analysis of ESS technology and its applications in enhancing the functionality of smart grids.

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