

# Simulation and Control of Energy Storage in Low Voltage Networks

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# Introduction

- Why install energy storage in low voltage networks?
- Customer Led Network Revolution – LV Storage Trial Results
- Energy Storage and Real-Time Thermal Ratings
- Vehicle-to-Grid electric vehicles as energy storage
- Frequency Response from LV networks
- Conclusion

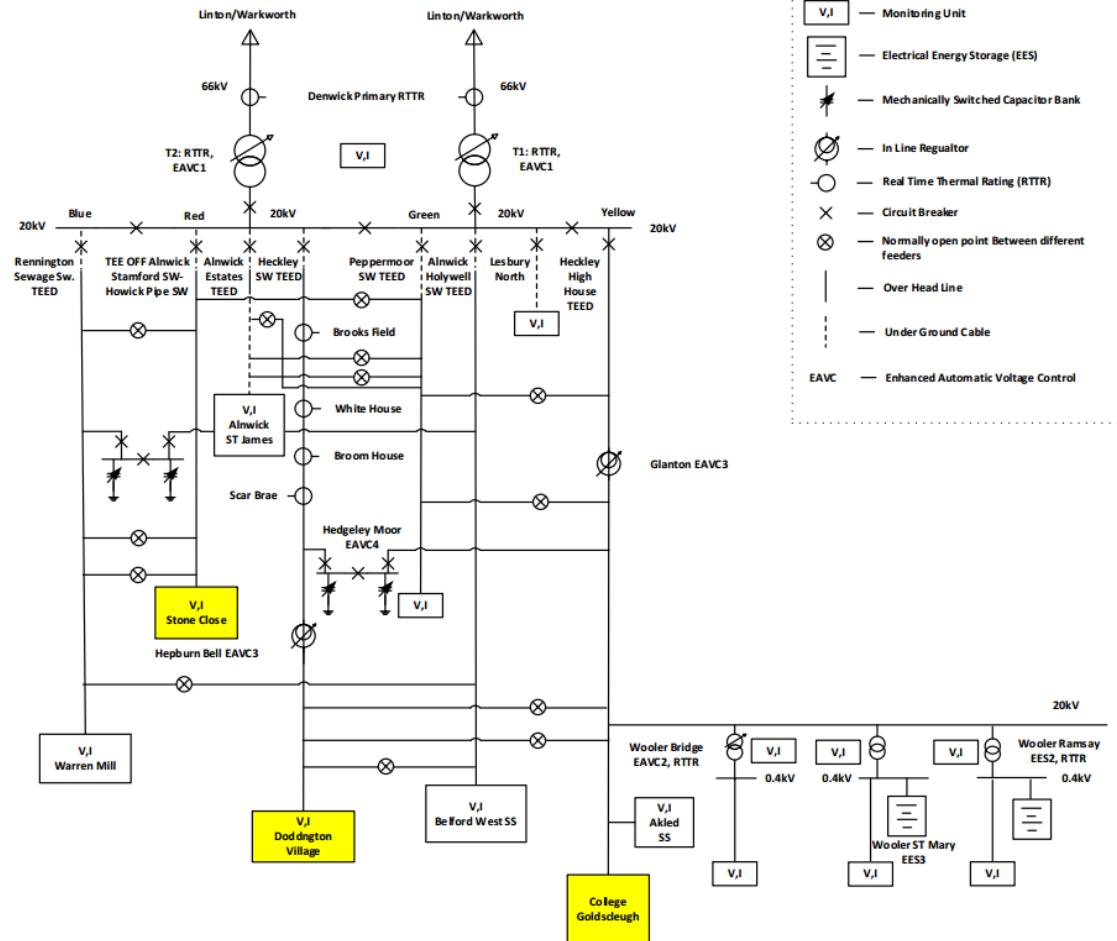
# Why Install Energy Storage in LV Networks?

- Power flow congestion management:
  - Accommodate additional demand and Low Carbon Technologies
  - Manage congestion upstream on the HV and EHV networks
- Voltage Control:
  - Accommodate additional demand by preventing voltage sag
  - Prevent voltage rise in systems with high solar PV penetrations
- Balancing Service Markets:
  - Frequency response can be offered through aggregation

# **CUSTOMER LED NETWORK REVOLUTION – TRIAL RESULTS**

# Energy Storage in LV Networks – Results from the Customer Led Network Revolution

- Energy Storage installed on LV network to address problems at HV and LV
- Collaborative operation with Real-Time Thermal Ratings and capacitor banks

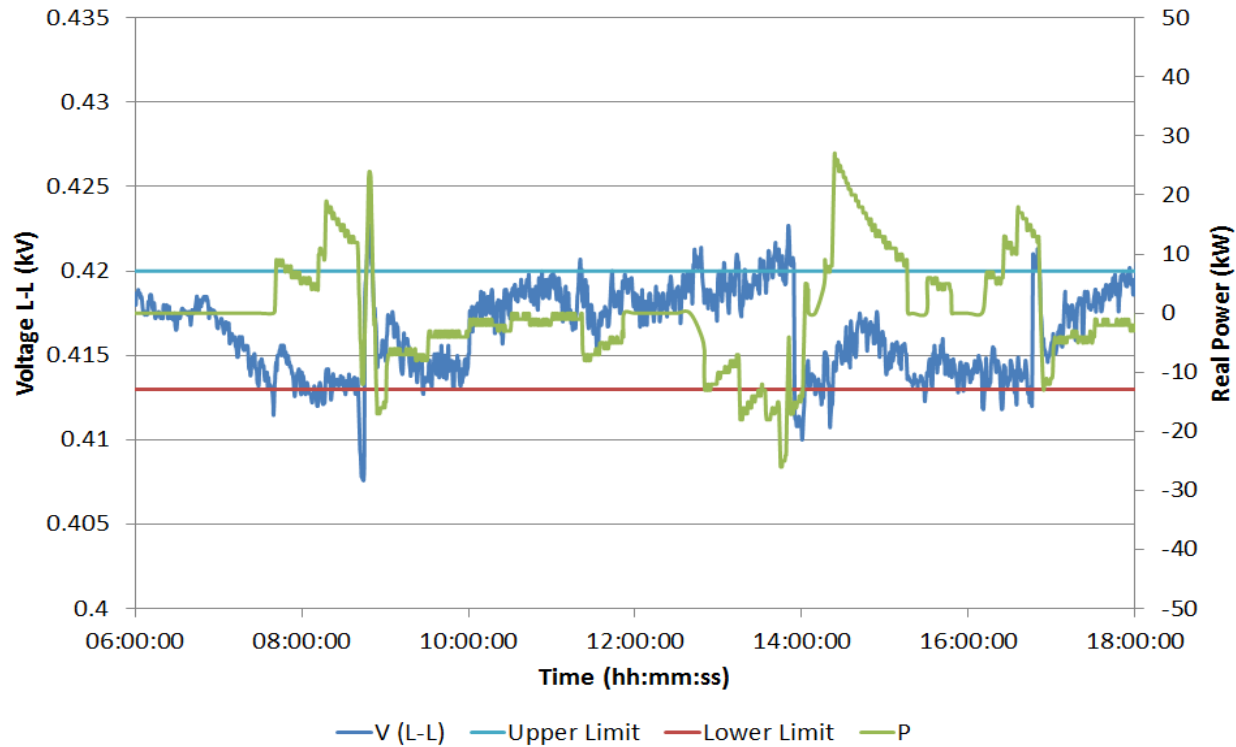


# LV Energy Storage Installation

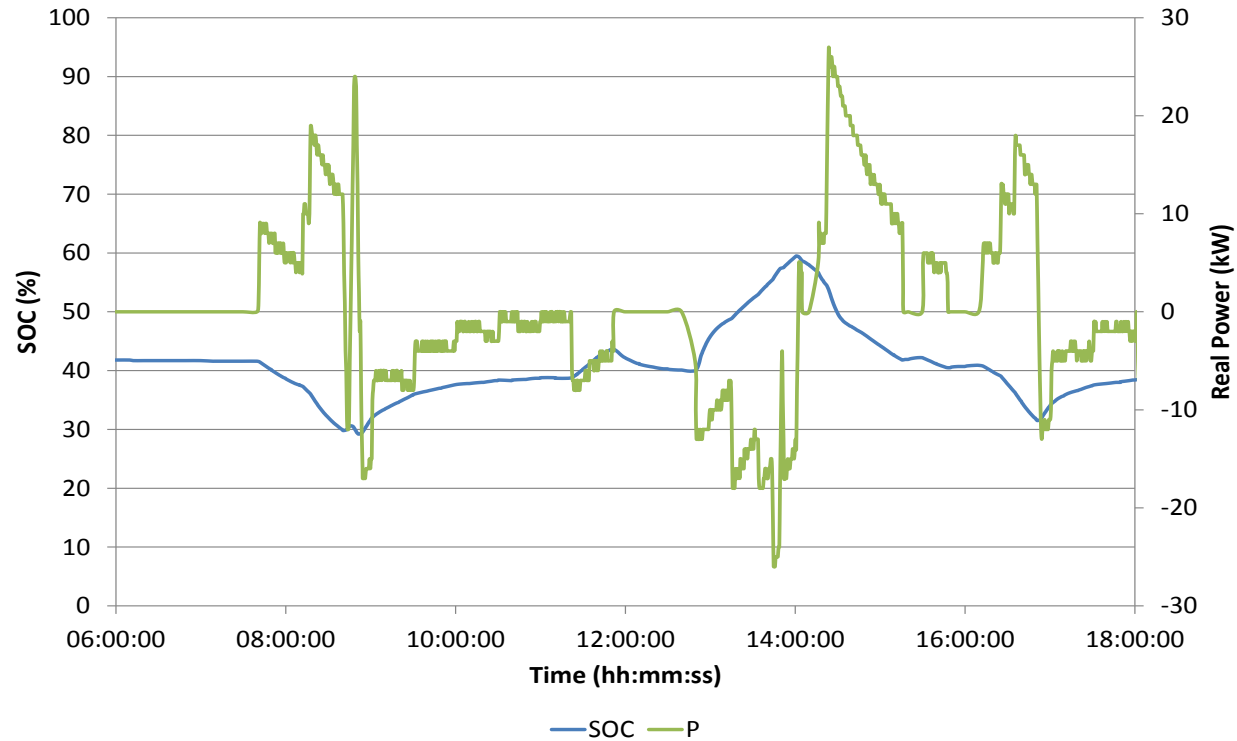
- 2 Systems installed on the LV network
- 50/100 kVA Inverters
- 100/200 kWh of Litium-Ion Nano-Phosphate batteries



# Real power control of voltage



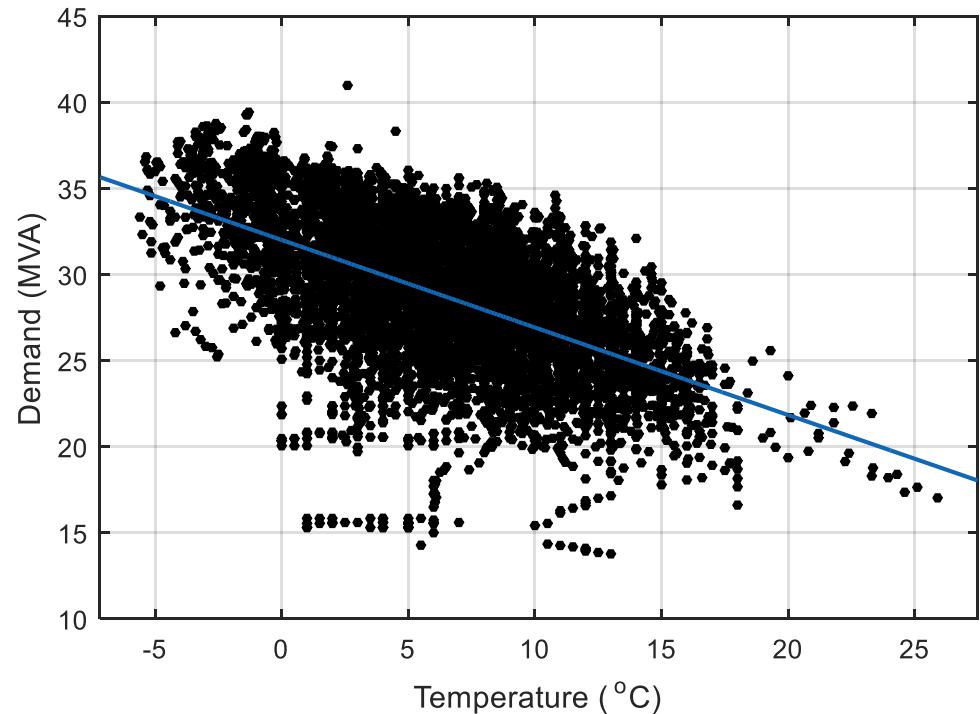
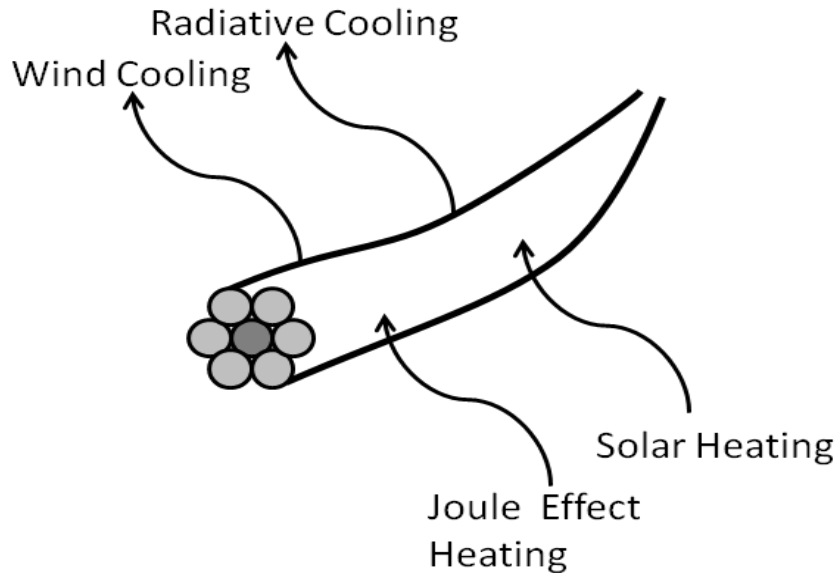
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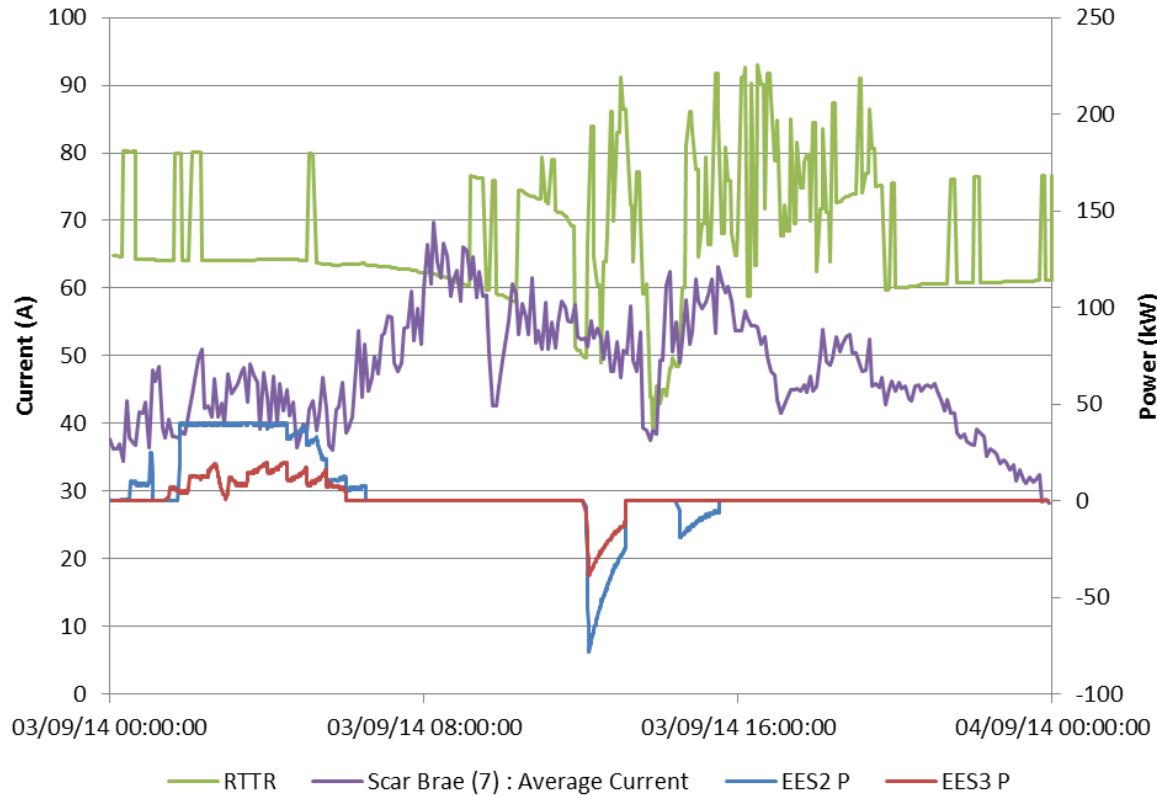
# ENERGY STORAGE AND REAL-TIME THERMAL RATINGS

# Energy Storage and Real-Time Thermal Ratings - Motivation

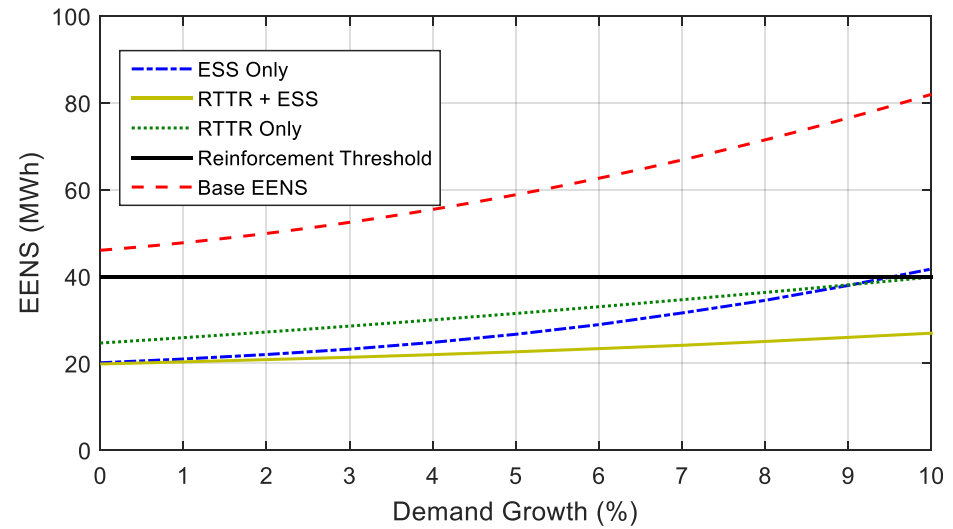
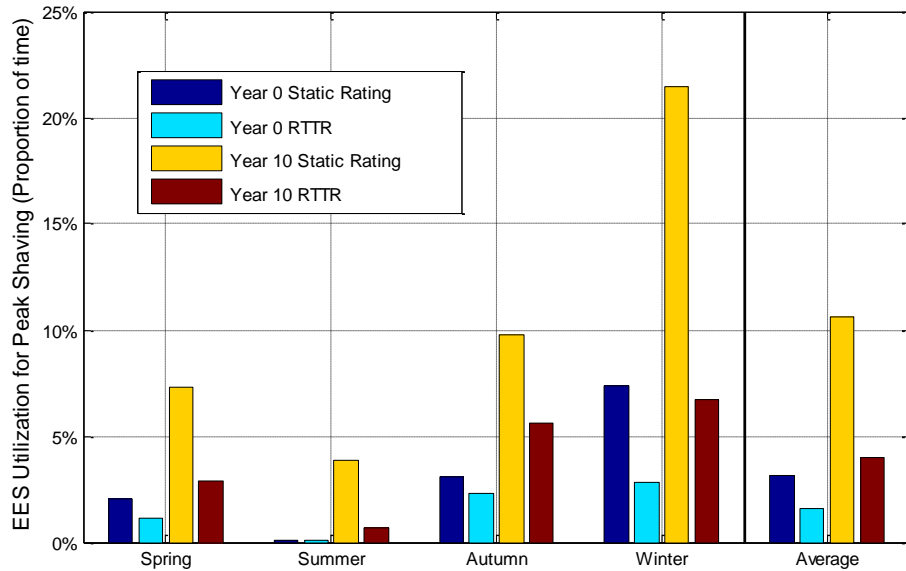


By combining these technologies can we decrease the utilisation of storage for local applications and increase security of supply?

# Powerflow Management with Real-Time Thermal Ratings

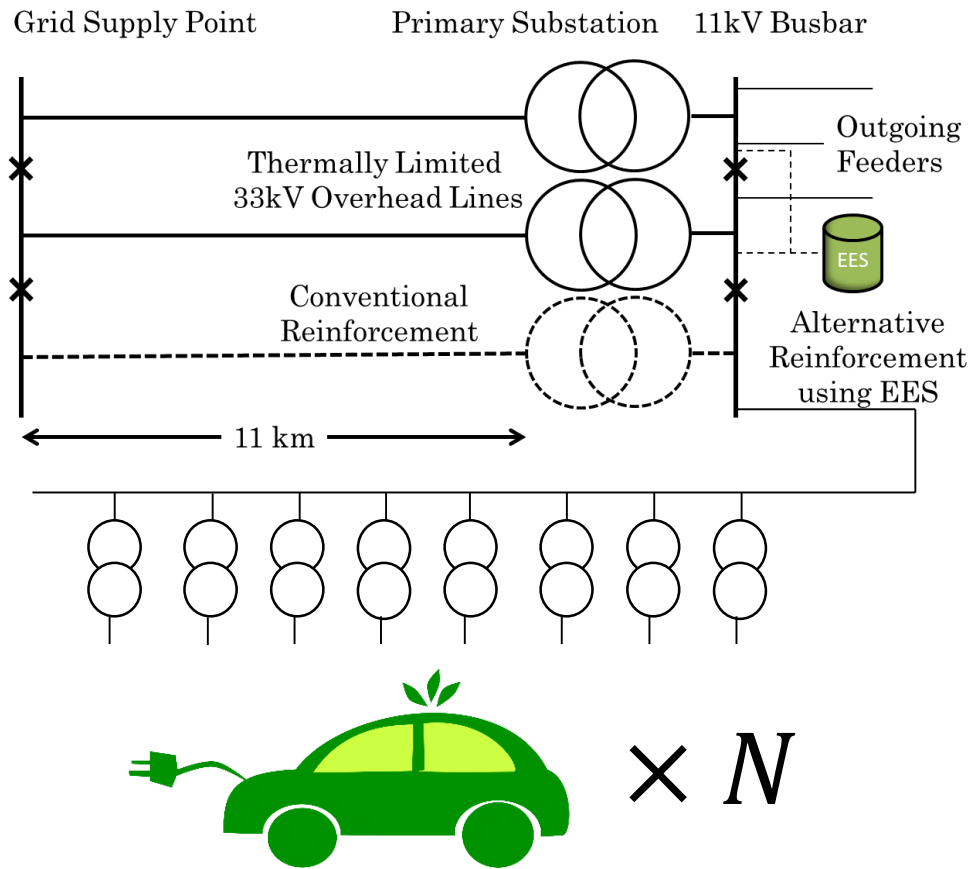


# Energy Storage and Real-Time Thermal Ratings - Results



# **ELECTRIC VEHICLES AS ENERGY STORAGE IN LOW VOLTAGE NETWORKS**

# Deferring Network Reinforcement via V2G



# The first real world trial of V2G chargers in the UK



Working with Nuvve, Nissan and Enel

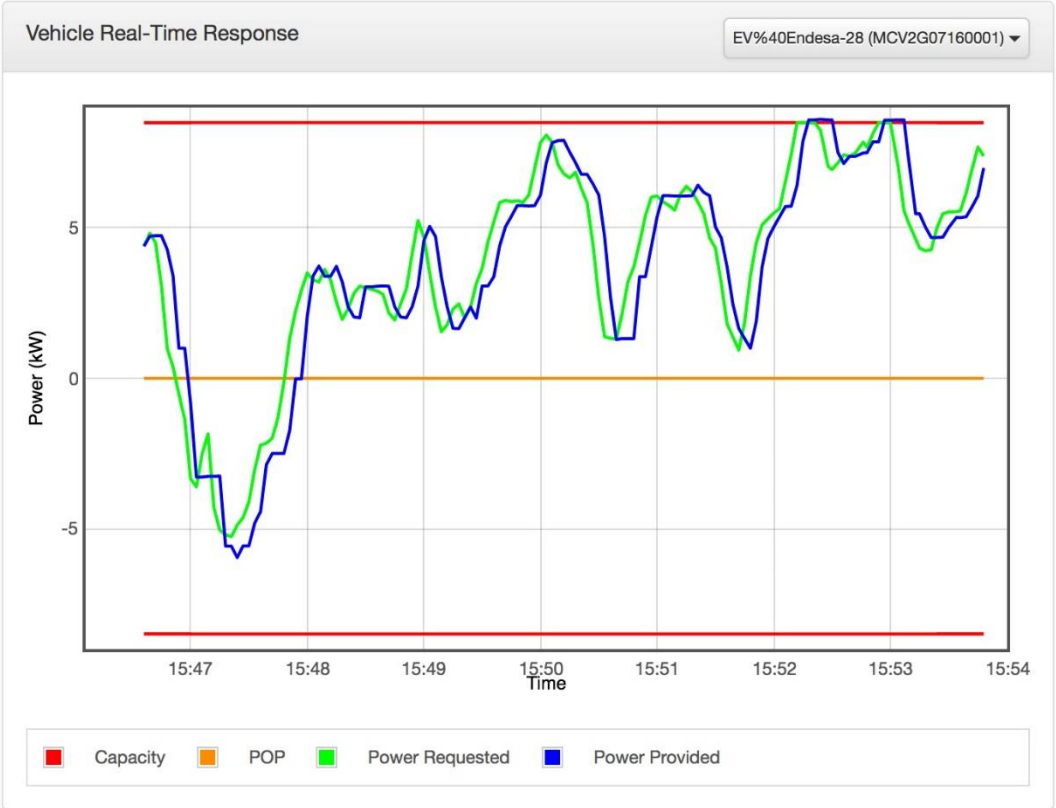
10kW bi-directional chargers

1 at Newcastle University

9 at Nissan Research Centre-Cranfield



# Response Time

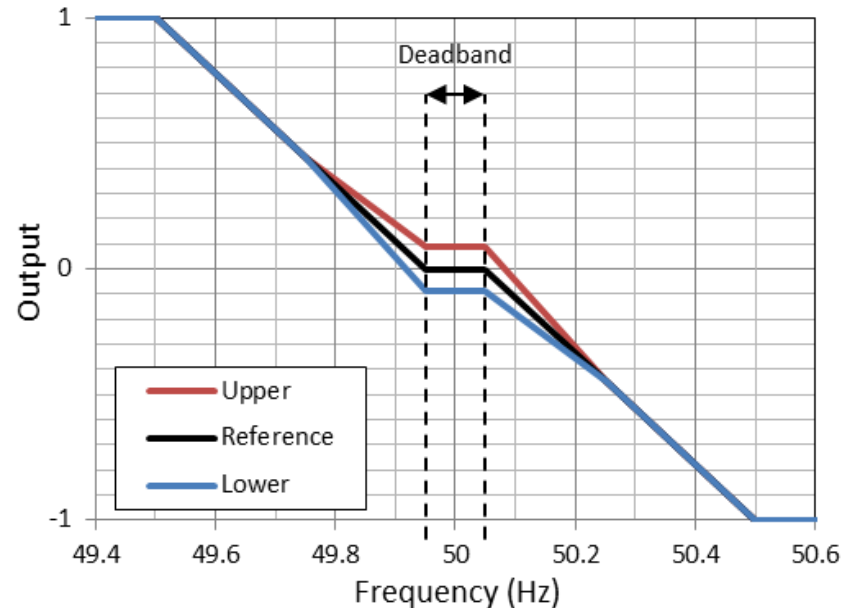
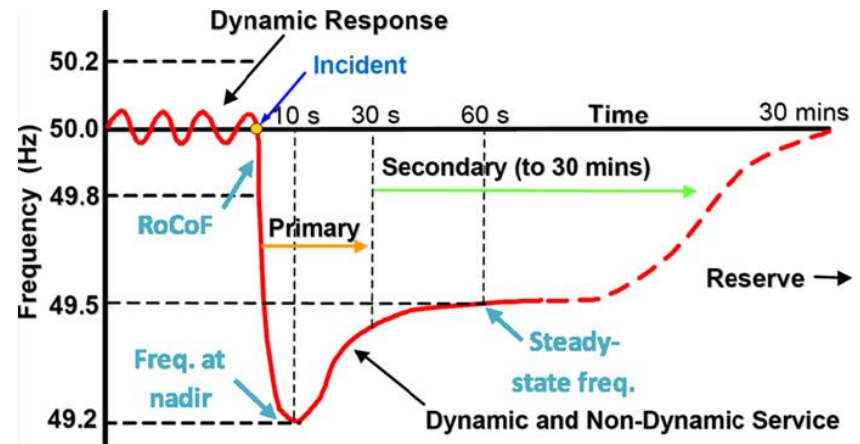




# FREQUENCY RESPONSE IN LOW VOLTAGE NETWORKS

# What is Frequency Response?

- When the frequency starts to change, the system operator acts quickly to restore it to its nominal value
- Primary frequency response providers will *supply* or *absorb* real power within 10s
- Secondary frequency response providers will *supply* or *absorb* real power within 30s
- But will this be quick enough in a *low inertia* system with *unpredictable* demand and generation?



# Laboratory Overview

AC/AC Converter RT Controller



University Network



415 V AC Microgrid



AC/DC Converter



Real-Time Network Simulator

AC/AC Converter

Key

← → Data

— — — 3 Phase AC Power

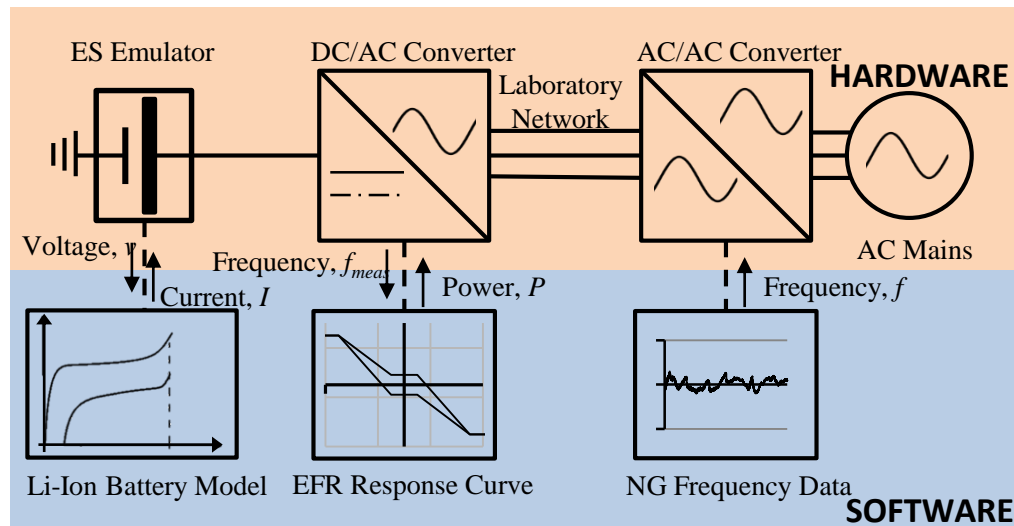
— — DC Power



Battery Emulator

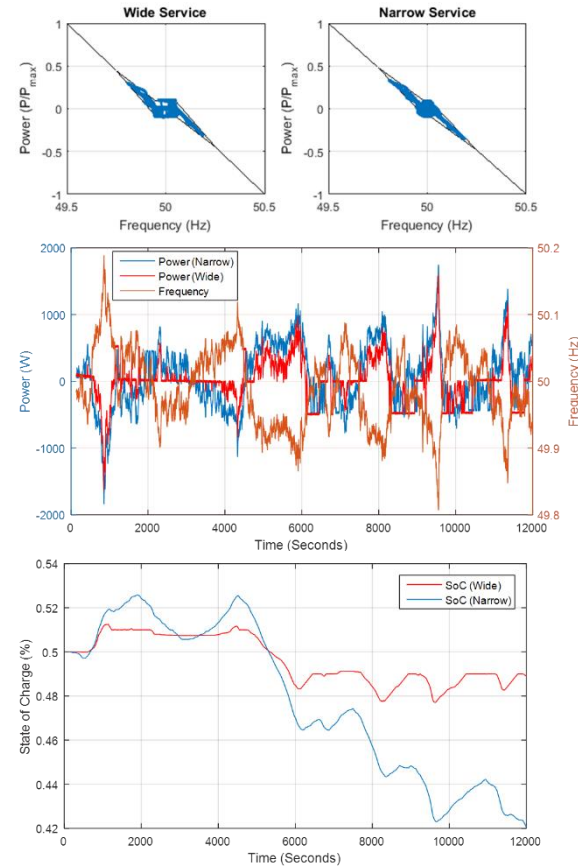
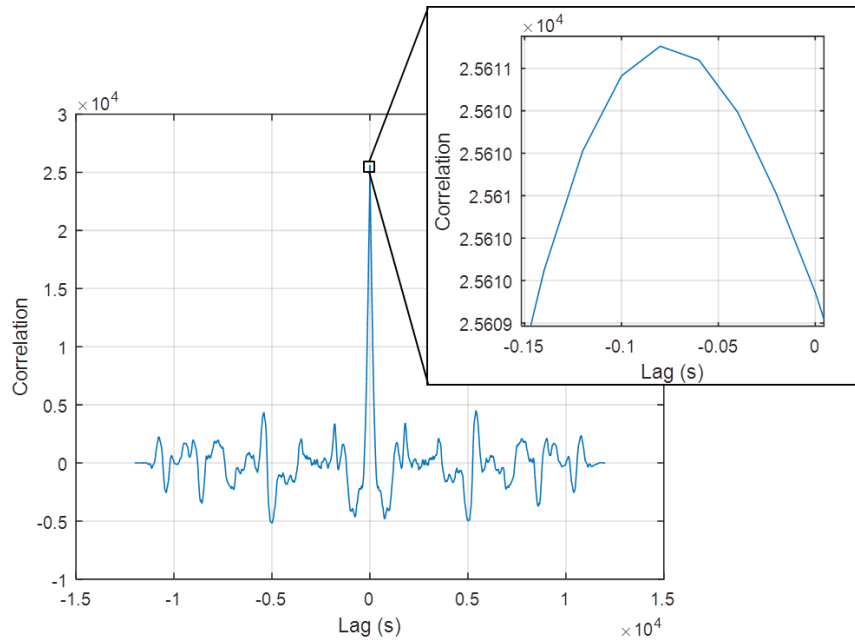
# Experiment 1: Aims and setup

- Historical frequency data was reproduced on the laboratory LV network
- The ESS responded according to the EFR response curve, and managed its state of charge between responses.



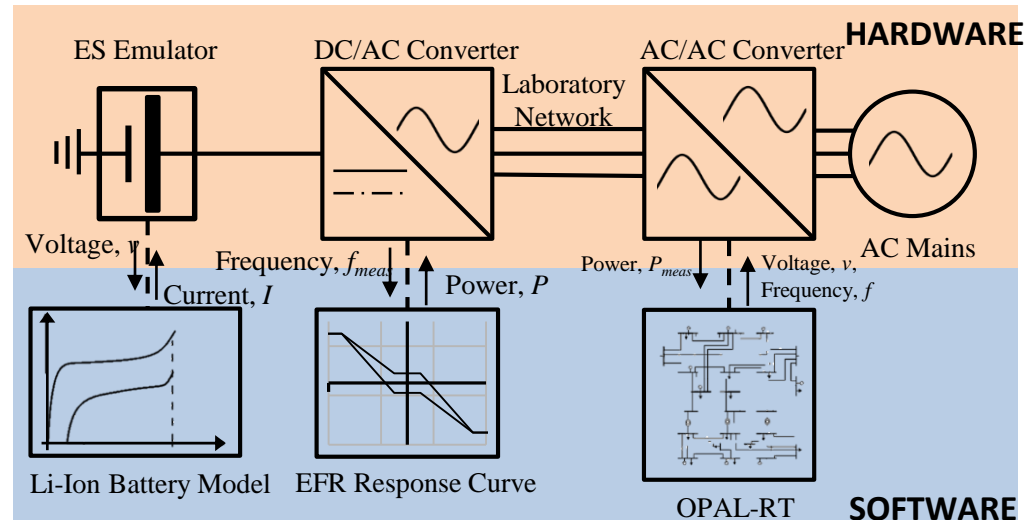
# Experiment 1: Results

## Experimental Investigation



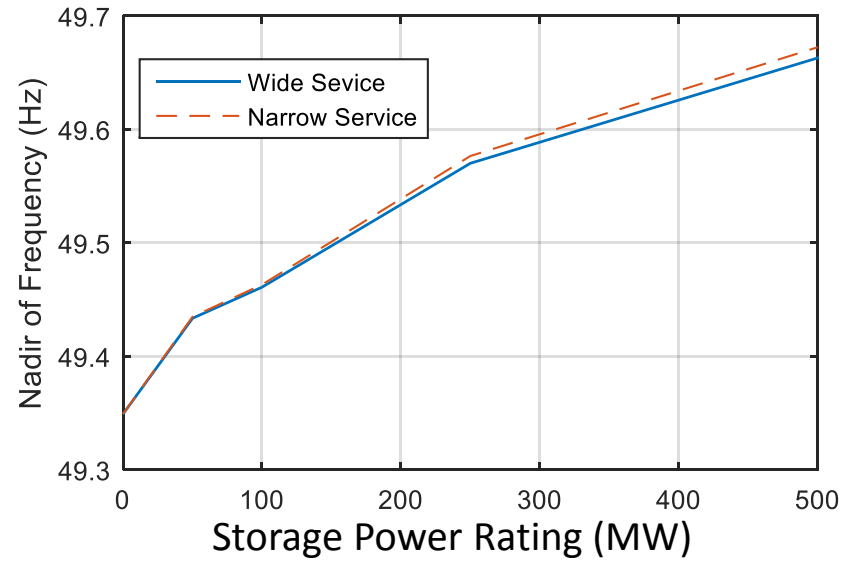
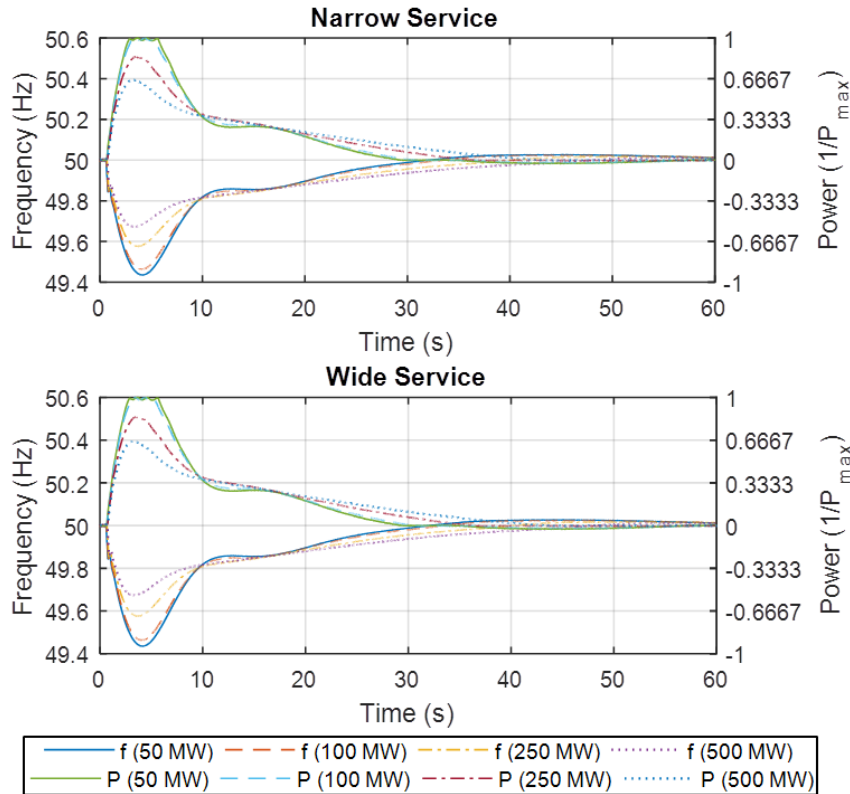
# Experiment 2: Aims and setup

- The IEEE 24-bus test network was simulated in the OPAL-RT
- Frequency events were created in the simulation, resulting in frequency changes on the laboratory network
- The ESS responded to the frequency change; the resulting power signal was measured and fed back into the simulated network
- The ESS response was scaled up, representing different ESS penetration levels



# Experiment 2: Results

## Experimental Investigation



# Conclusions

- Energy Storage can offer substantial benefits when installed in LV networks
- Services can benefit higher voltage levels, but will require coordinated control and aggregated response
- Energy Storage can operate in collaboration with other smart grid interventions, including RTTR and Demand Response
- Energy Storage can be purpose built, behind the meter, or Electric Vehicles with V2G functionality
- We have developed simulation, experimentation, and demonstration approaches to help realise these benefits



# Publications

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Thanks for your attention! Any questions!?