

# Energy Storages Modeling

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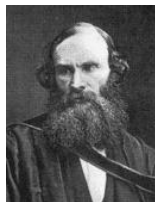


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# Objectives of this presentation

*"If you can not measure it, you can not improve it."* - Lord Kelvin



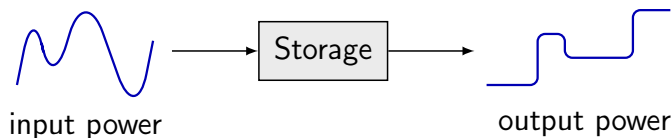
## Main points:

- 1 despite the diversity of the storing technologies, it is possible to capture every peculiarity into a single model
- 2 with generic models we can:
  - develop abstract controllers
  - help the design process

# Definition of Energy Storage

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Energy storage := device with the capability of sculpting power signals (subject to operational constraints)



## Remark

There are *no constraints on how to store* the energy. For example: • kinetic • chemical • gravitational

# Summary of technologies

- CAES
- Electrochemical
- Flywheels
- Pumped Hydro
- SMES
- Thermal (?)

# Summary of applications

- ancillary & reliability services:
  - spinning reserve
  - *voltage regulation*
  - *area / frequency control*
  - transmission line stability
  - power supply against outages
  - smoothing of renewables ramping effects
- implementation of new market strategies
- load levelling / peak reduction
- generation capacity / transmission / distribution facilities deployment deferral

[Schoenung and Hassenzahl, 2007]

# Summary of usages

<i>Application category</i>	<i>Technology</i>
Load leveling and spinning reserve	Electrochemical (Lead-acid, Na/S, Zn/Br, Ni/Cd), CAES, Pumped Hydro
Peak shaving and transmission deferral	Electrochemical (Lead-acid, Na/S, Zn/Br, Ni/Cd, Li-Ion), CAES, Flywheels
End use power quality and reliability	Electrochemical (Lead-acid, Li-Ion), Flywheels, SMES

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William of Ockham, c.  
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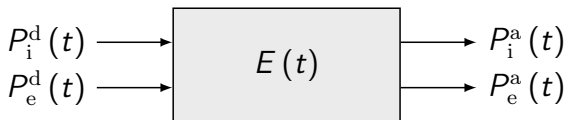
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- (possible) waiting-time when switching between power injection / extraction

# What we want to have as a block scheme




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<i>signal</i>	<i>physical meaning</i>
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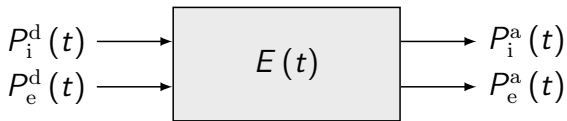
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# Conceptual division into sub-blocks

Our target:



Our conceptual division:

- 1 dynamics of stored energy
- 2 conversion of the injected power into stored energy
- 3 conversion of the stored energy into the extracted power

# Sub-block 1: dynamics of stored energy

*Hybrid first-order system:*

$$\dot{E}(t) = \begin{cases} \eta_i P_i^a(t) - \eta_e P_e^a(t) - P_{\text{diss}}(t) & \text{if } E(t) > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where:

$$P_{\text{diss}}(t) := \gamma E(t) + \gamma_{\text{man}} \quad (2)$$

## Sub-block 2: conversion of the injected power into stored energy

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- constraints on the maximal power:

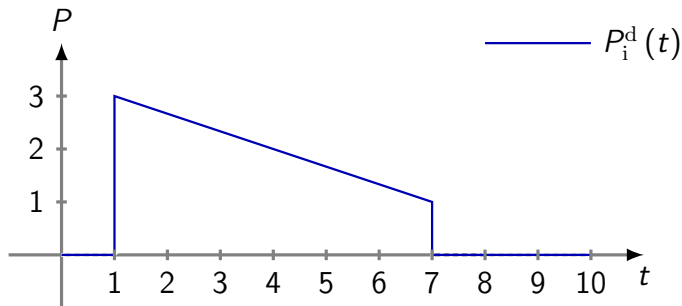
$$P_i^a(t) \in [0, P_i^{\max}] \quad (3)$$

- constraints on the ramping capabilities:

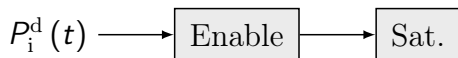
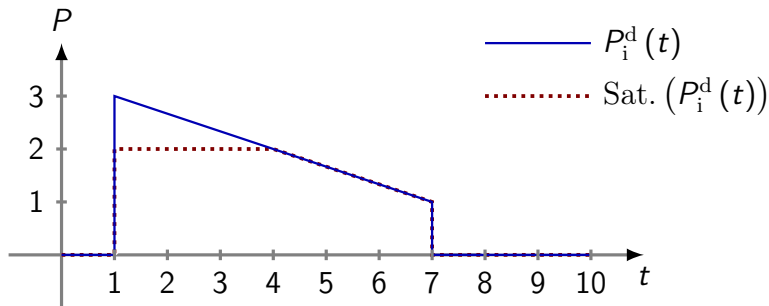
$$\dot{P}_i^a(t) \in [-\dot{P}_i^{\max}, \dot{P}_i^{\max}] \quad (4)$$

- (possible) forbidden simultaneous injection / extraction

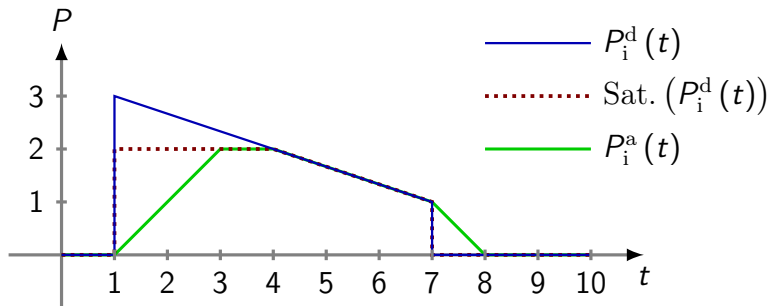
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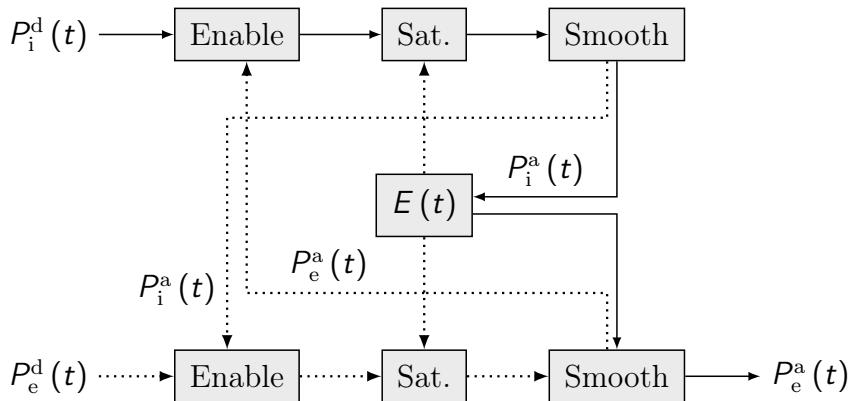




## Sub-block 3: conversion of the stored energy into the extracted power

... same as before ...

# Proposed General Block Scheme



## Parameters considered by the proposed model

<i>parameter</i>	<i>physical meaning</i>
$d_i / d_e$	time delays between injection / extraction of power and conversion into / from stored energy
$P_i^{\max} / P_e^{\max}$	maximal injectable / extraible power
$\dot{P}_i^{\max} / \dot{P}_e^{\max}$	maximal injected / extracted power ramp
$T_{inj} / T_{ext}$	(possible) delays in commuting between injection and extraction modalities
$E_{\min} / E_{\max}$	minimal / maximal amount of storable energy
$\eta_i / \eta_e$	power injection / extraction efficiencies
$\gamma / \gamma_{\text{man}}$	energy leakage factors

Summary of common values in [Varagnolo et al., 2010]

# Transformation of the Proposed Hybrid Model

*caveat: previous model is non-standard!!*

For DP or MPC purposes transform it into:

$$\begin{cases} x(t+1) = Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) + B_4 \\ y(t) = Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) + D_4 \\ 0 \leq E_0x(t) + E_1u(t) + E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) + E_4 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

with:

- $x(t)$  state vector
- $u(t)$  input vector
- $y(t)$  output vector
- $z(t)$  auxiliary continuous variables
- $\delta(t)$  auxiliary binary variables

# Need for a Model Simplification

*Previous model is fairly complicated.* Need to:

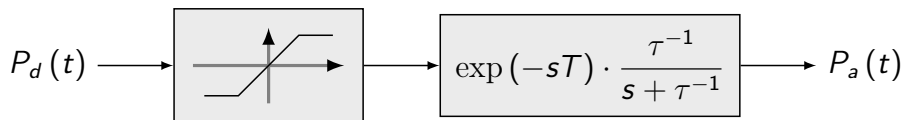
- simplify
- then validate

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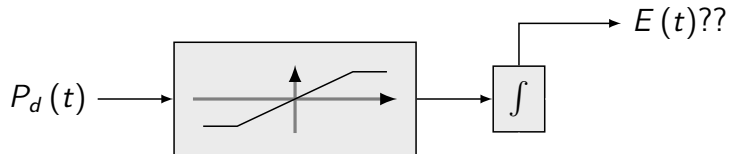
- 1 “injection” and “extraction” signals become a single one
- 2 power  $\leftrightarrow$  energy transformations are *first-order* systems

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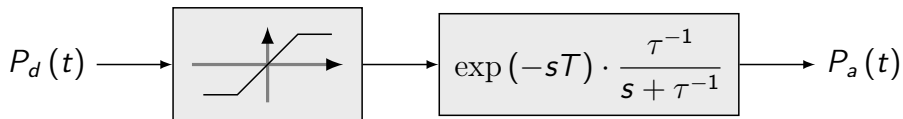


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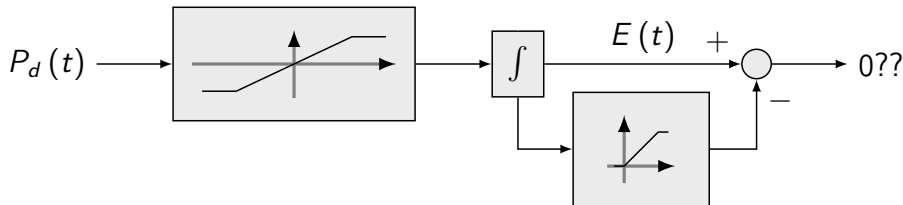


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## Comparison

- 1 formalize a problem and solve it *in the same framework*
- 2 then:
  - compare the resulting signals
  - compare the problem-specific costs
  - compare the sensitivities (e.g. Lagrange multipliers)

# Examples on how the models can be used

Recap: *general models can be used both for control and design purposes*. Toy-examples:

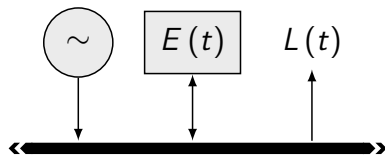
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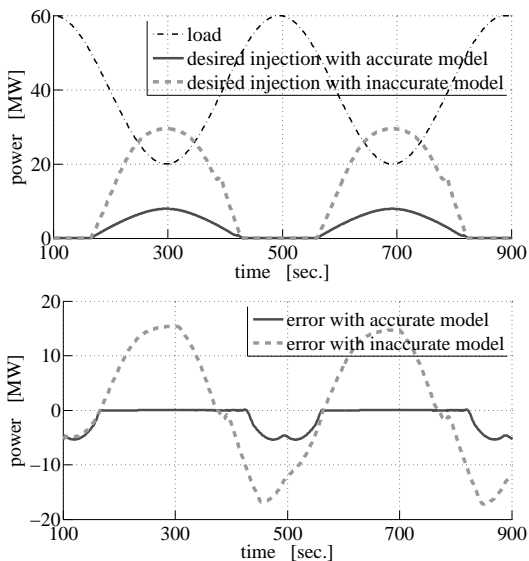
$$P_{\text{gen}}(t) = T(z)r(t)$$

$$|r(t)| \leq R$$

Optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize} && \sum_{t=1}^T |P_{\text{gen}}(t) + P_e(t) - P_i(t) - L(t)| \\ &\text{subject to:} && \bullet \text{ *dynamics of the storage*} \\ & && \bullet \text{ dynamics of the generator} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

# Example (cont'd): importance of accurate models

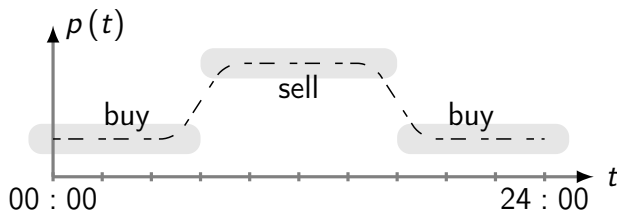


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Assume to know the Deployment + Operation and Management costs:

$$C(P_{\max}, E_{\max}) = C_d(P_{\max}, E_{\max}) + C_m(P_{\max}, E_{\max}) \quad (7)$$

Assume to know the daily average energy prices:



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... then:

$$\text{maximize } \gamma \left( \sum_{t=0}^T (P_e(t) - P_i(t)) p(t) \right) - C(P_{\max}, E_{\max})$$

subject to: *dynamics of the storage*

$$0 \leq E(t) \leq E_{\max} \quad \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T\}$$

$$0 \leq P_i(t) \leq P_{\max} \quad \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T\}$$

$$0 \leq P_e(t) \leq P_{\max} \quad \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T\}$$

$$E(0) = E(T)$$

(8)

Remark:  $E_{\max}$ ,  $P_{\max}$  *are decision variables*

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