

Modular partial power converter for fully electric marine applications

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Introduction

Electrification of maritime sector

Background

UE 2030

32,5% Energy efficiency
improve



Reduce our dependency on
fossil fuels

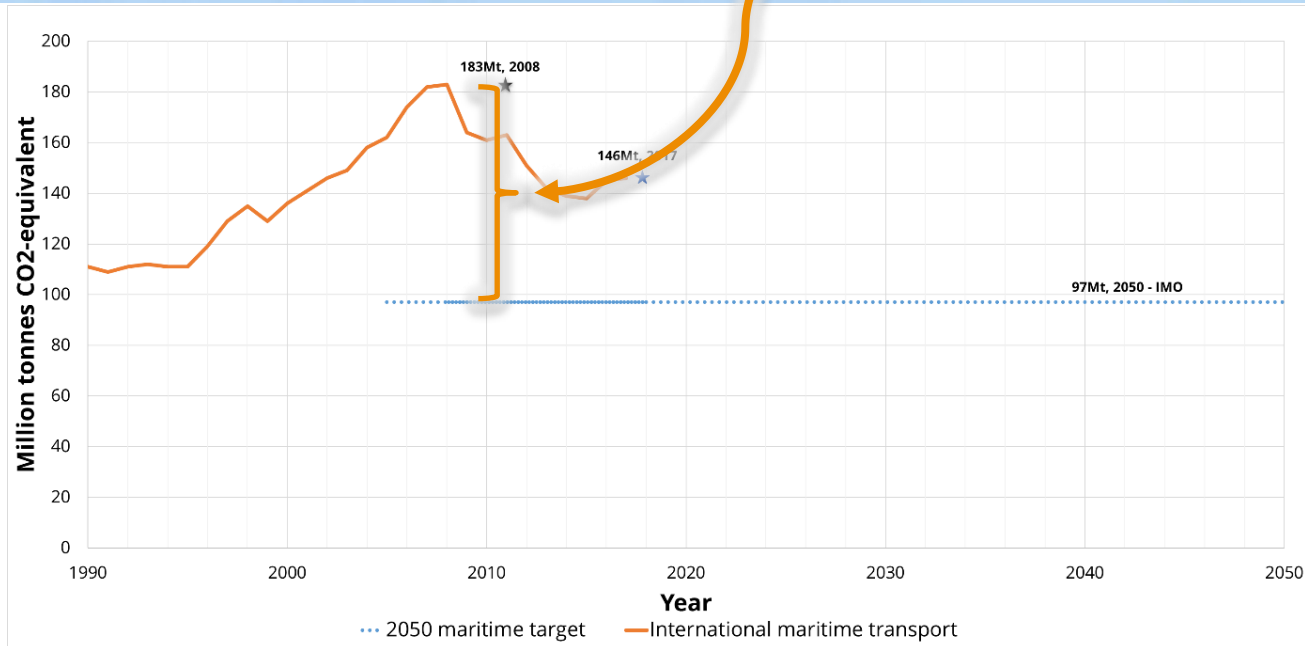
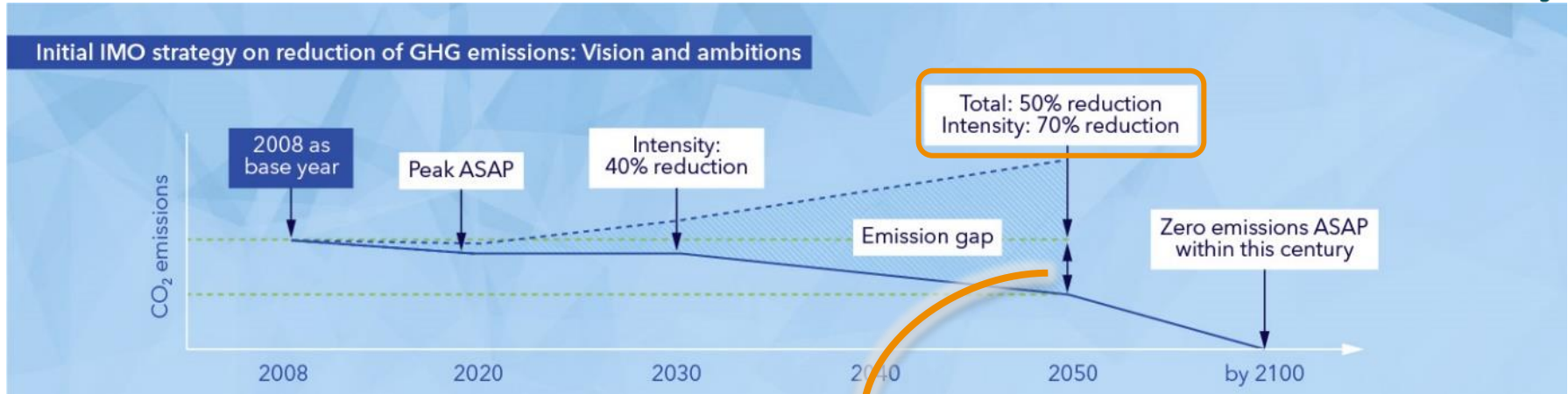


40% CO₂ Reduction



Energy Storage





*Source: DNV-GL (<https://www.dnv.com/expert-story/maritime-impact/How-newbuilds-can-comply-with-IMOs-2030-CO2-reduction-targets.html>)

Benefits of installing batteries on board ships:



Spinning reserve

- Backup for running generators
- Fewer turbines needed online



Peak shaving

- Act as a buffer
- Level power seen by engines



Optimise load

- Optimise the operating point of the generators
- Reduce maintenance



Harvest energy

- Recover energy from cranes, drilling equipment, etc.
- Accommodate energy from renewables



Immediate power

- Instant power in support of generators



Backup power

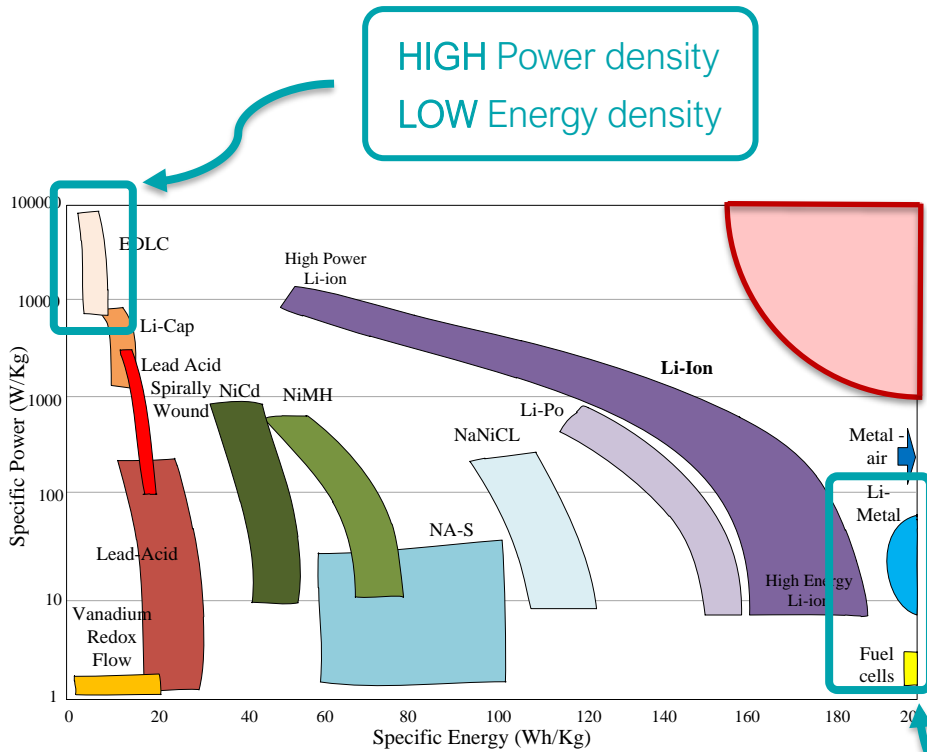
- Battery system provides backup power, UPS like functionality

What are the main challenges to
electrify a ship?



Selection of **battery technology**
&
Battery-pack sizing

Selection of the technology



HIGH Power density
LOW Energy density

Can we combine both?

HP + HE



Energy Storage
Hybridization

HIGH Energy density
LOW Power density

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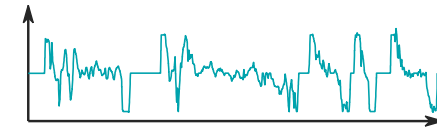
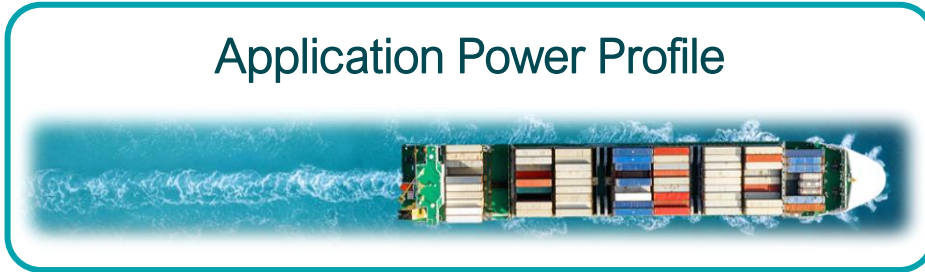
Hybrid Energy Storage System

Design and Analysis

Why Energy Storage System Hybridization?

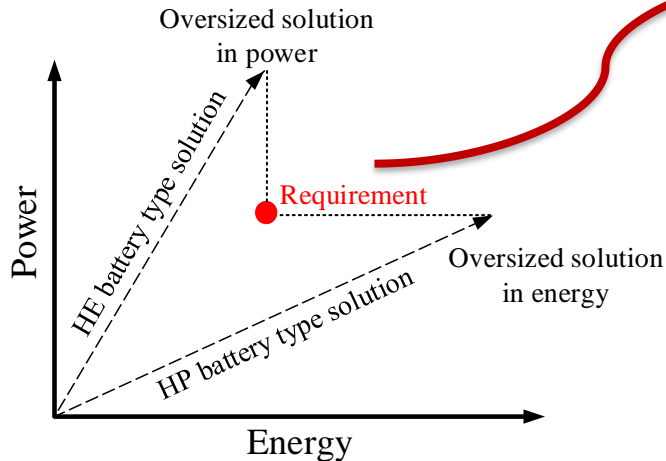
Why ESS Hybridization?

Application Power Profile

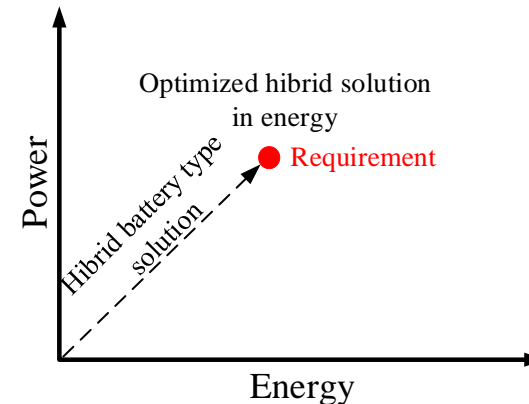


Average consumption
+
Power transients

Energy Storage Power and Energy Ratio improvement



Energy Storage Hybridization
Optimal sizing!



Sizing

- Power Sharing dependence
- Application Power Profile
- Cost Optimization

First Step



Power Sharing method selection

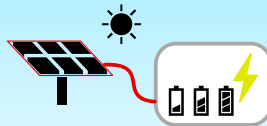
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Typical Power Sharing Techniques

Rule Based Control

- Power Threshold
- Look-up Tables
- Weighting Factors

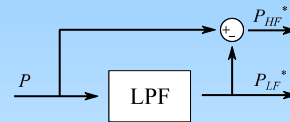
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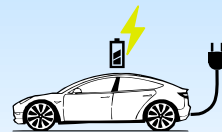
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Filter Based Power Sharing

- Split of HF and LF



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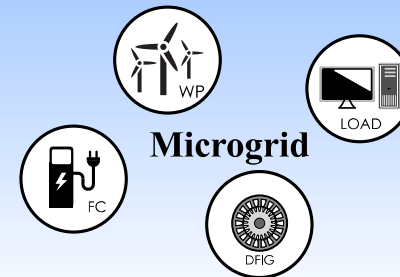


Electric Vehicle

Virtual Impedance

- Droop Control
- Virtual RC impedances

Field of Application:



Microgrid

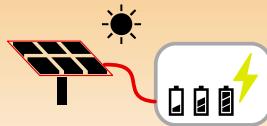
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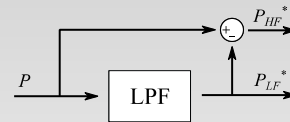
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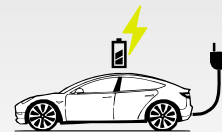
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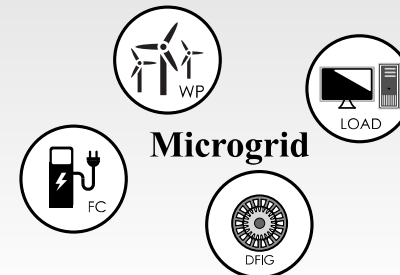


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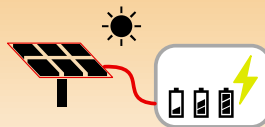
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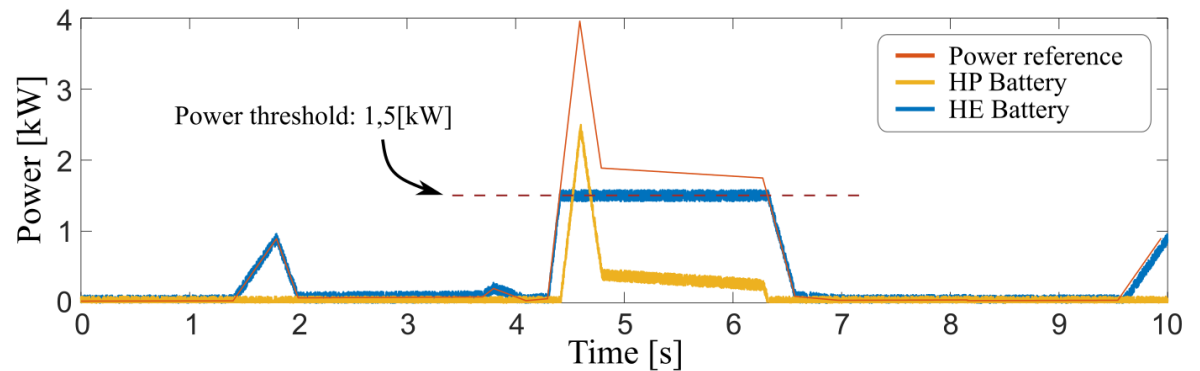
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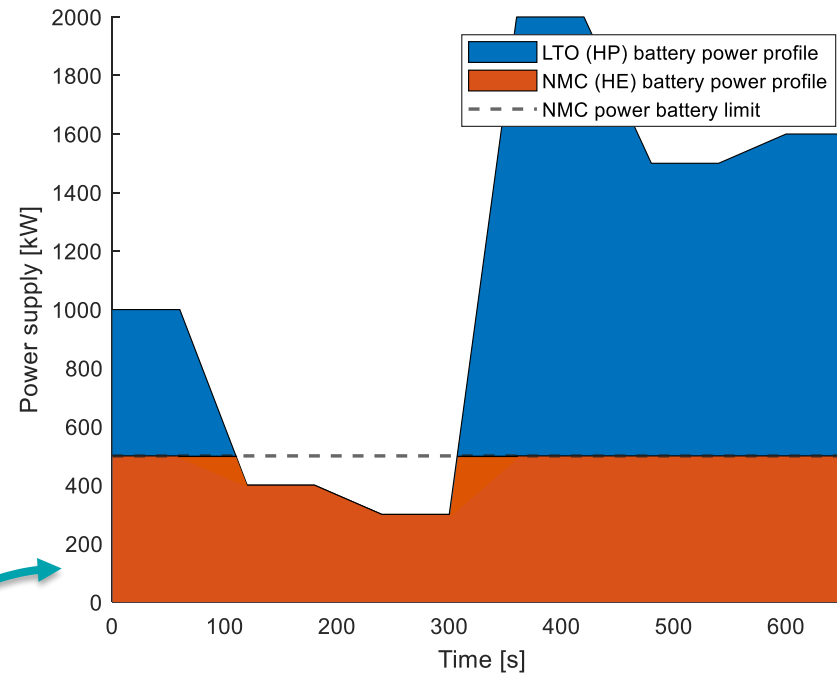


Photovoltaic Systems

Power Threshold

$$P_{tot} = \begin{cases} P_{HP_batt} + P_{HE_batt}, & \text{if } P_{tot} > P_{batt\ max} \\ P_{batt}, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$





HE Battery

- NMC Battery
- Sized for the main consumption.
- The maximum power is limited.

HP Battery

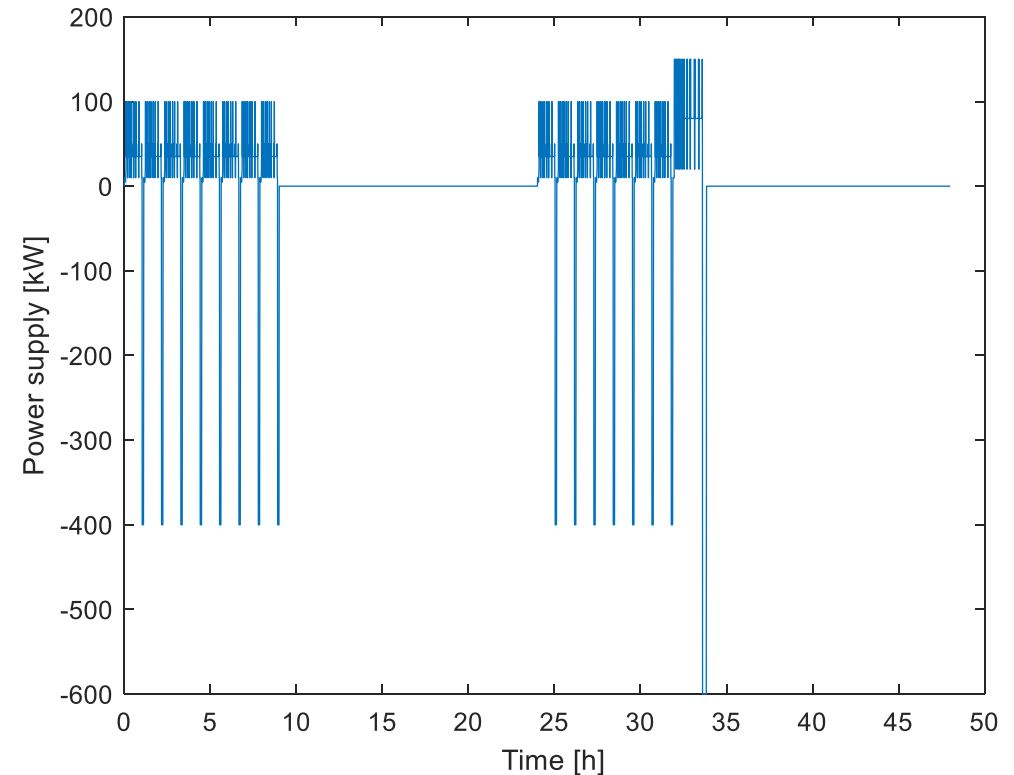
- LTO Battery
- Should provide the rest of the power.
- Able to work with high dynamics.

Complementary working mode

Application Requirements and Power Profile

Electric Urban Ferry (Design Parameters):

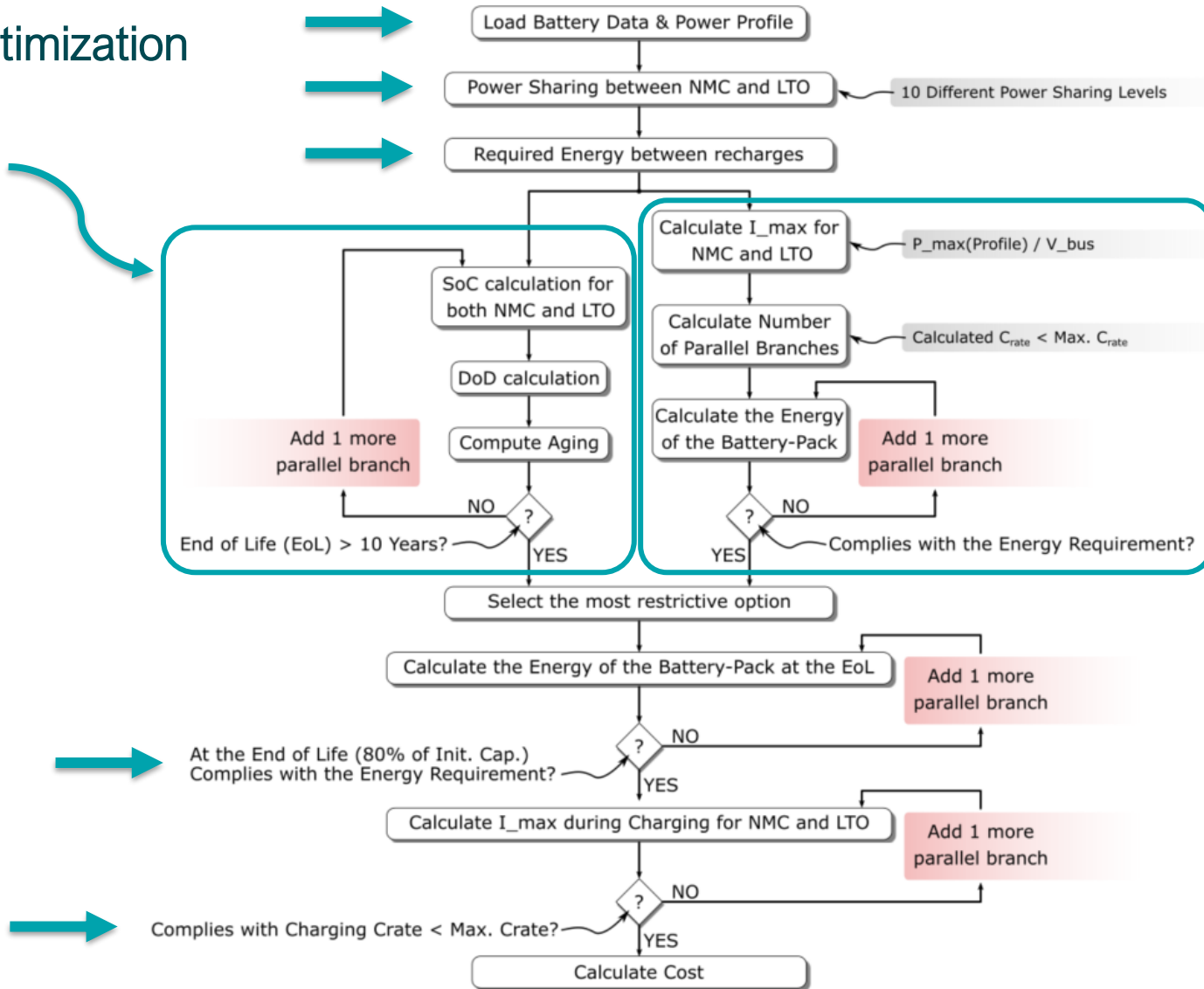
- Service Life: 10 Years
- End of Life: 80% of initial capacity.
- Max. Power: 150 kW
- Min. Energy: 136 kWh
- DC bus Voltage: 1000V
- SoC Range: 90% - 10%



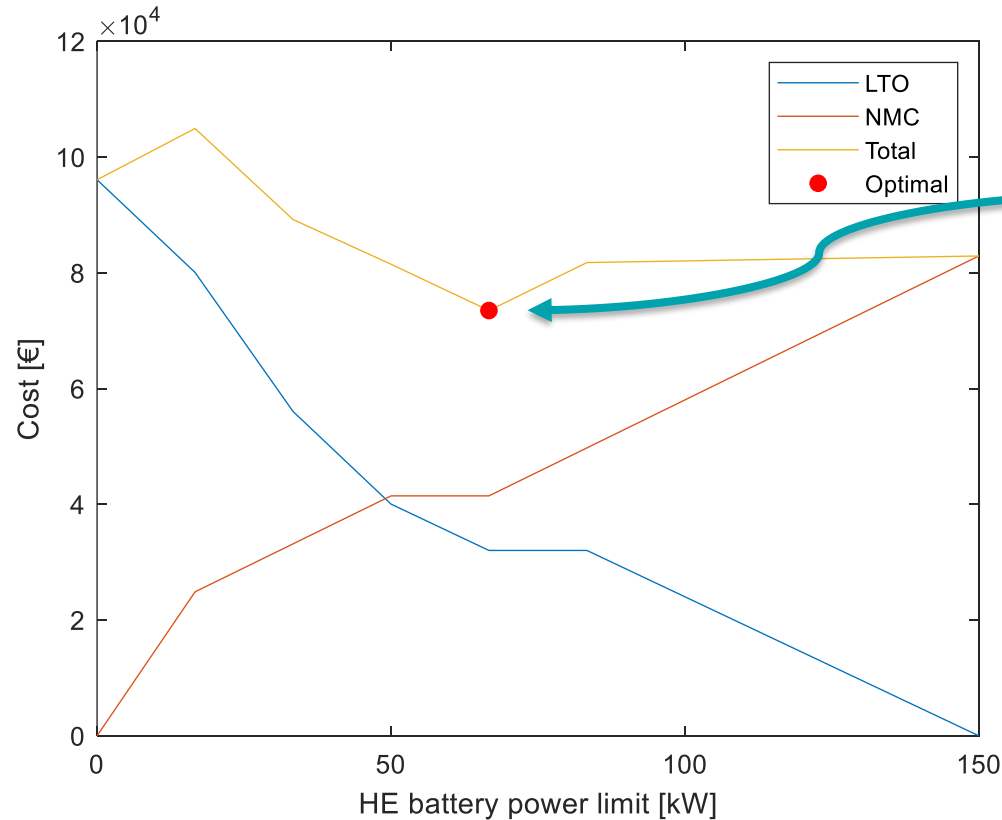
Cost Optimization

AGING

ENERGY REQUIREMENT



Cost of the hybrid battery



Hybrid Battery Sizing Results

Battery type	Hybrid battery (HE + HP)		Total
	HE	HP	
Cells layout	224S5P	352S4P	
Power	696.5 kW	349.7 kW	1046.2 kW
Energy	387.4 kWh	74.5 kWh	461.9 kWh
Cost	32028 €	41455 €	73483 €



Strong cell cost dependency

Full LTO Battery-Pack

Full NMC Battery-Pack

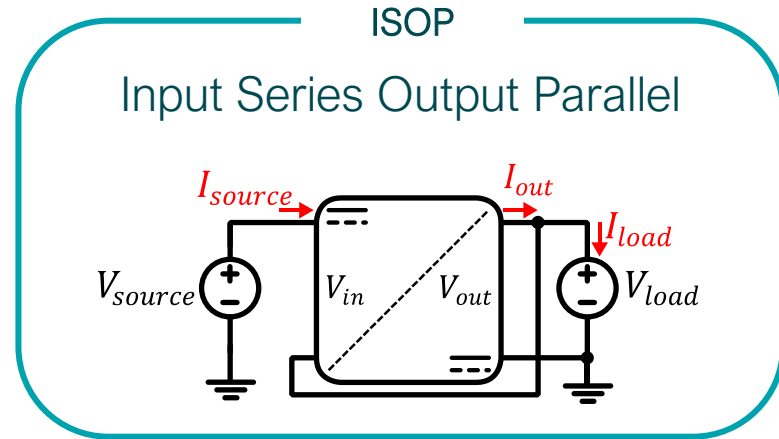
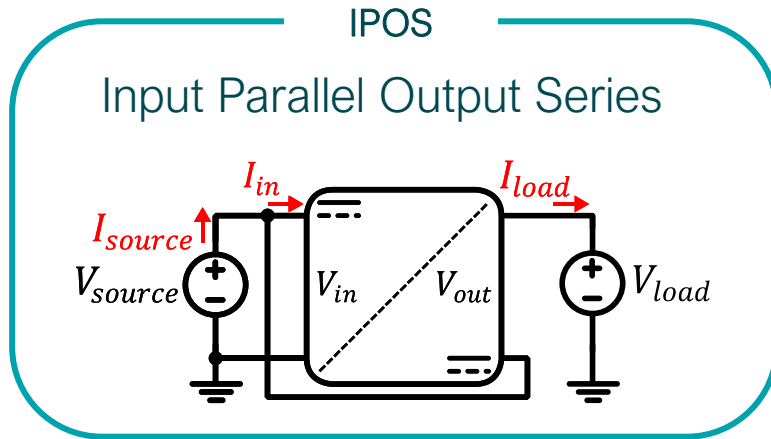
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Partial Power Converter

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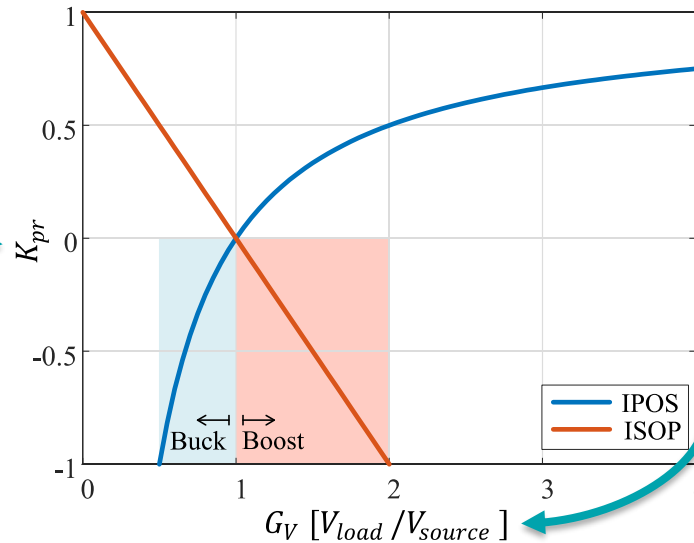
Architecture Description

Two main PPC architectures



Partial Power Ratio

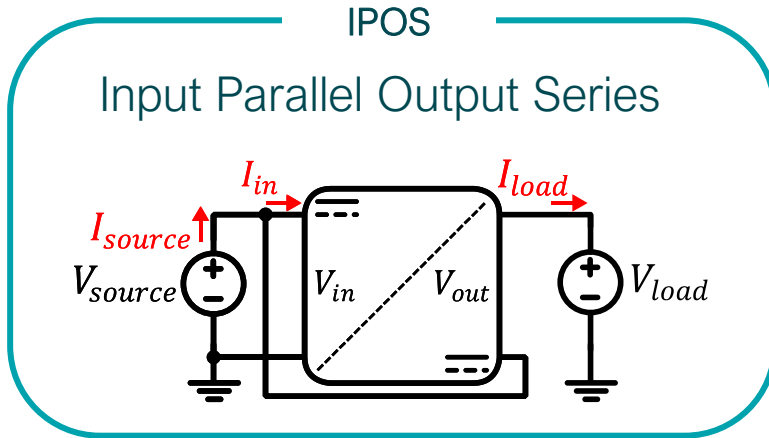
$$K_{pr} = \frac{P_{conv}}{P_{source}}$$



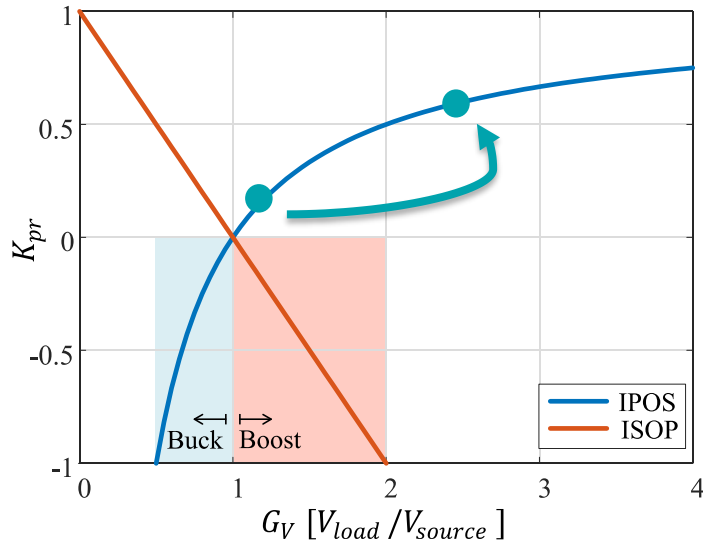
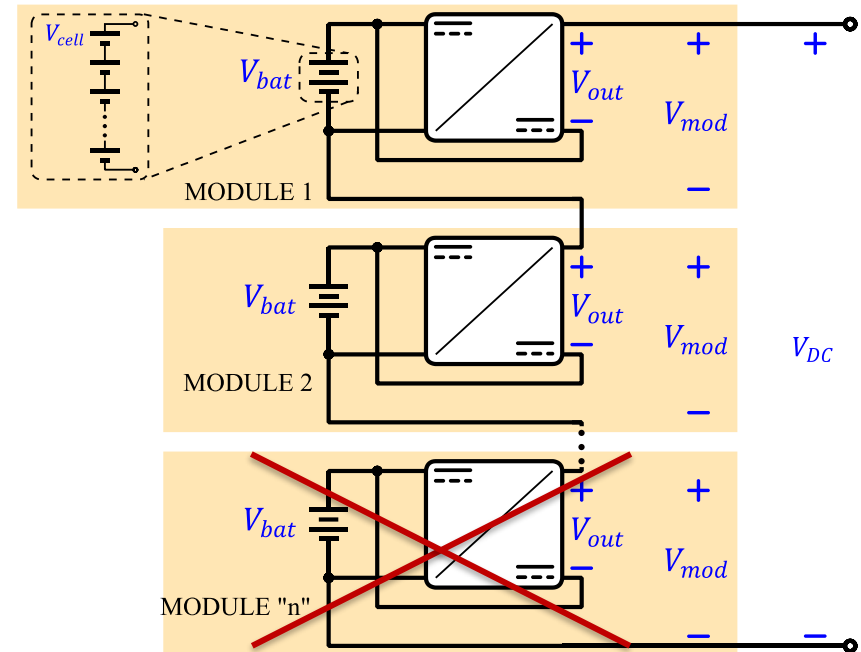
Voltage Gain

Selection of IPOS architecture

Why? →



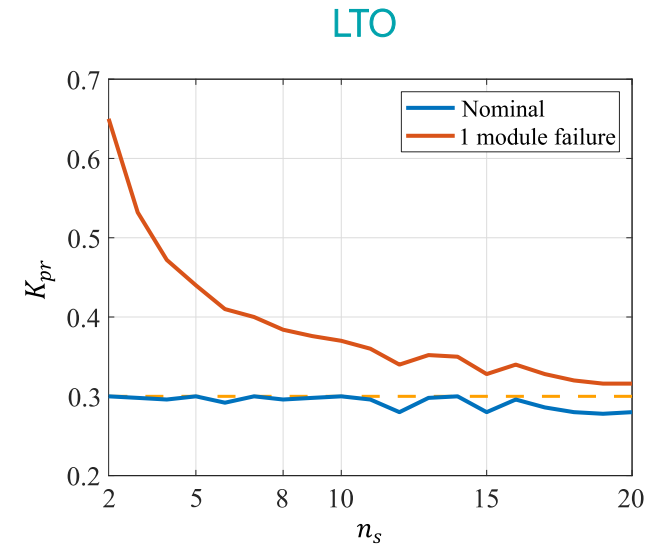
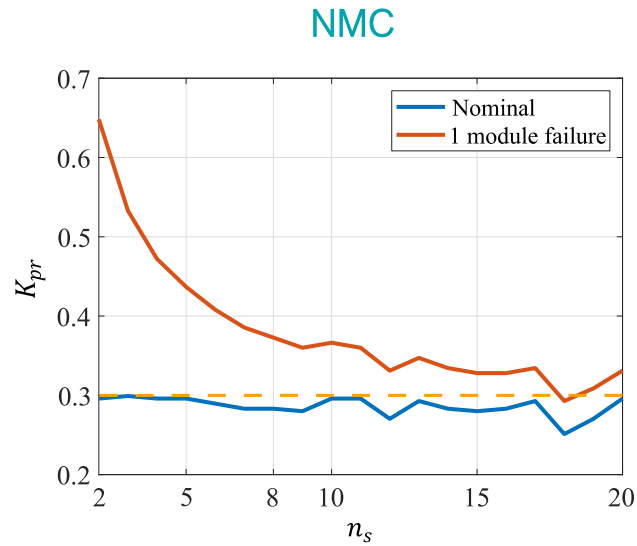
Due to Voltage Gain: (Boost mode) $G_V = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{battery}}$



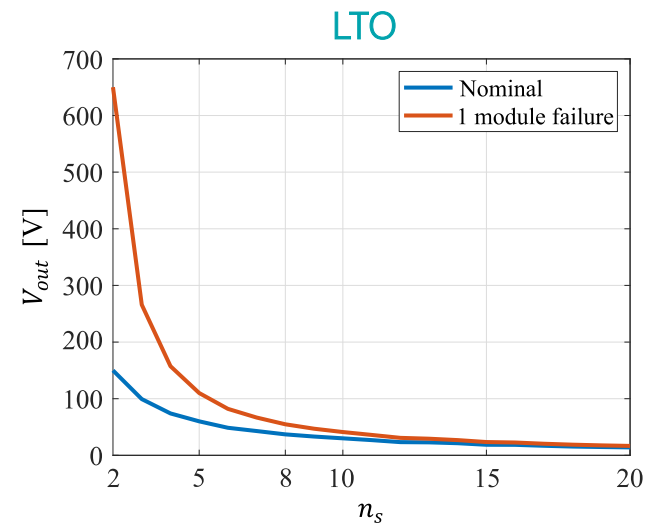
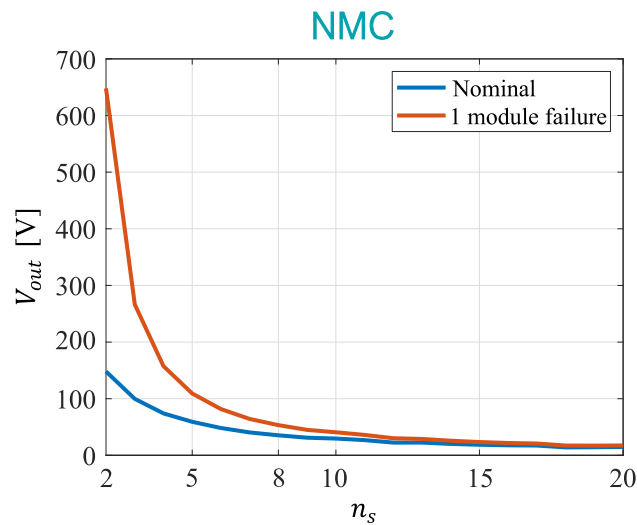
**If 1 module fails
The operating point changes**

1 module failure

K_{pr} increment
for 1 module failure



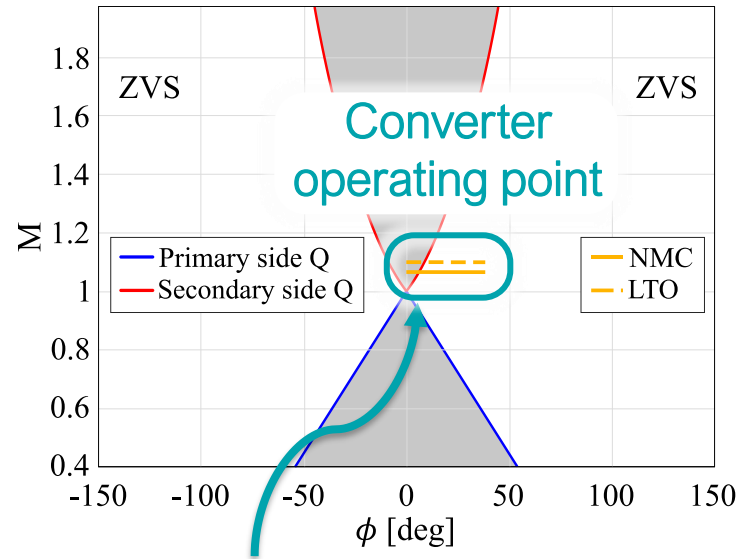
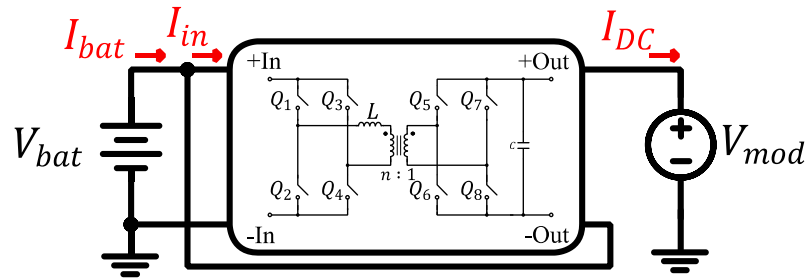
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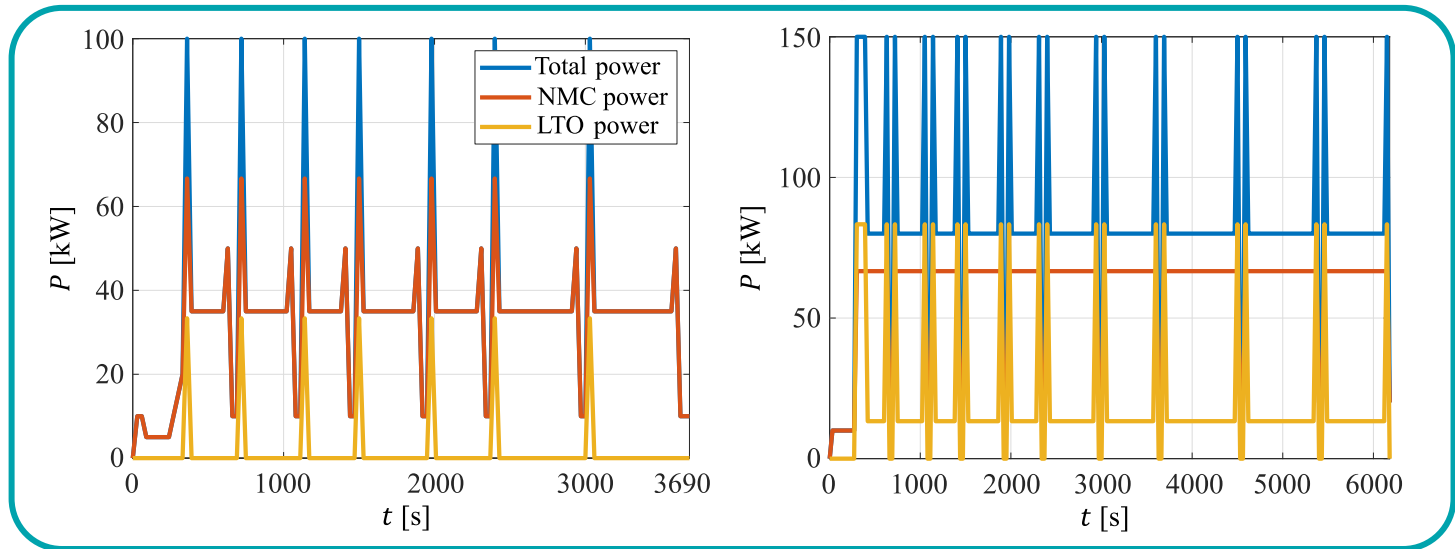
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Simulation

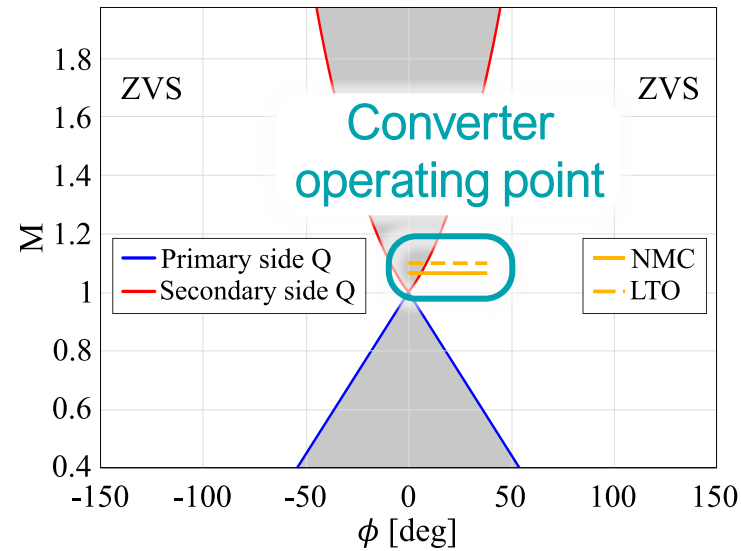
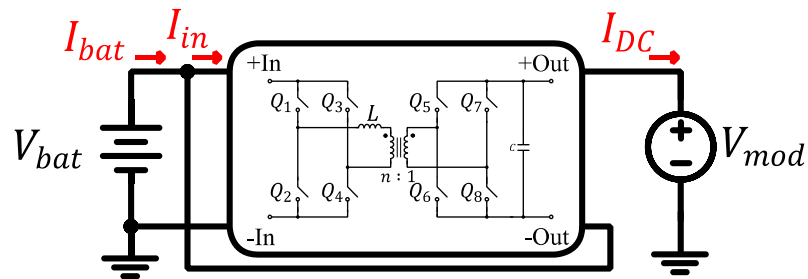
Dual Active Bridge PPC



Power Profiles for Urban Ferry



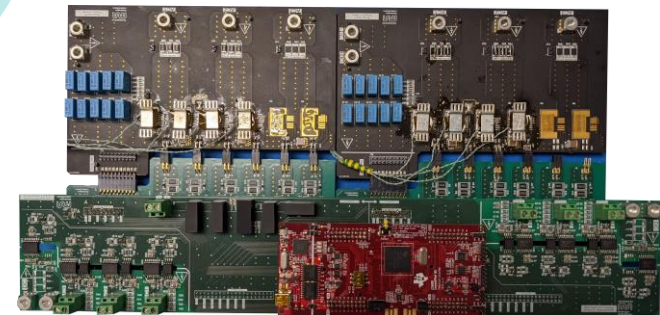
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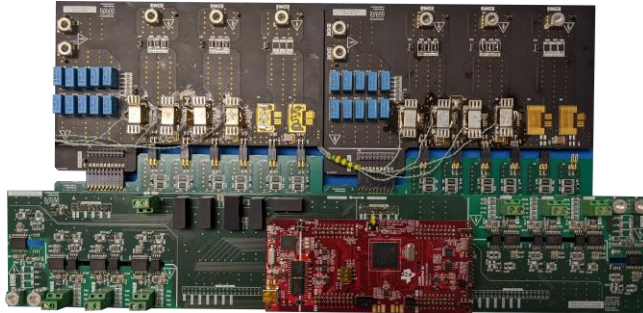
- Both batteries work in soft switching most of the time.
- NMC works under **soft switching** for a longer period than LTO.
- The **hard switching** occurs with very low voltage, so the **switching losses** are low.

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Experimental Results



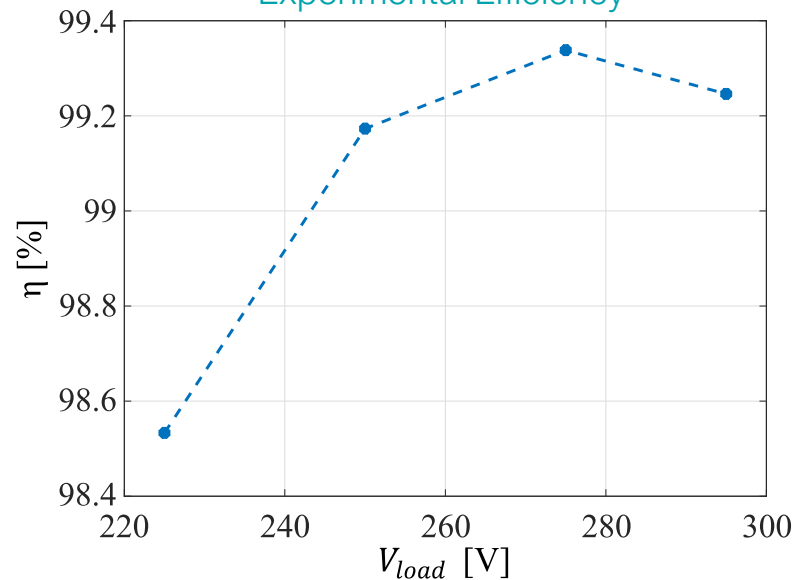
Testing at different points



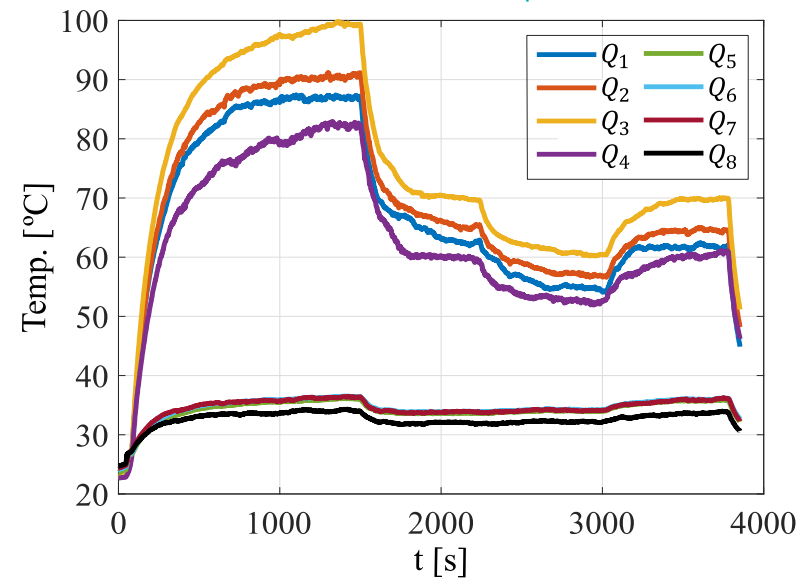
Parameter	Test point 1	Test point 2	Test point 3	Test point 4
P_{bat} [kW]	2.27	2.53	2.78	3
V_{mod} [V]	300	300	300	300
V_{bat} [V]	225	250	275	295

Battery charging process

Experimental Efficiency









Semiconductors temperature



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Conclusions

Conclusions:

- Hybridization of Energy Storage Systems can be the optimal solution. 
 - ⚠ – Nevertheless, it will depend on several factors:
 - Power Sharing method.
 - Consumption Power Profile.
 - Cell Cost.
- The Partial Power Converter can provide higher efficiencies. 
 -  – It only processes a small part of the total power.
 -  – The Dual Active Bridge PPC can work in soft switching most of the time.
 -  – 1 module failure can be assumed without compromising its operation.
 - ⚠ – It works better for small voltage differences between the input and the output.
 -  – There is no galvanic isolation.

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Muchas gracias
Thank you

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