

Electric Energy Storage: Primer

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Matches supply with demand like...



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Urban Planning



- 65 million people served
- 21% of US GDP
- 165 GW peak load
- Founded 1927

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Bill Radvak
President and CEO, American Vanadium Corp

Energy Storage: The Holy Grail of Our Energy Revolution?
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theguardian
BloombergBusiness News

Power to the people: bring on the superbattery
John Naughton
Efficient storage of electricity, especially from renewable sources, is the holy grail of the energy industry. And Elon Musk could have a gamechanging plan up his sleeve.

Giant Batteries, Wind Storage, Commodities

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Search for the Holy Grail of Energy Storage
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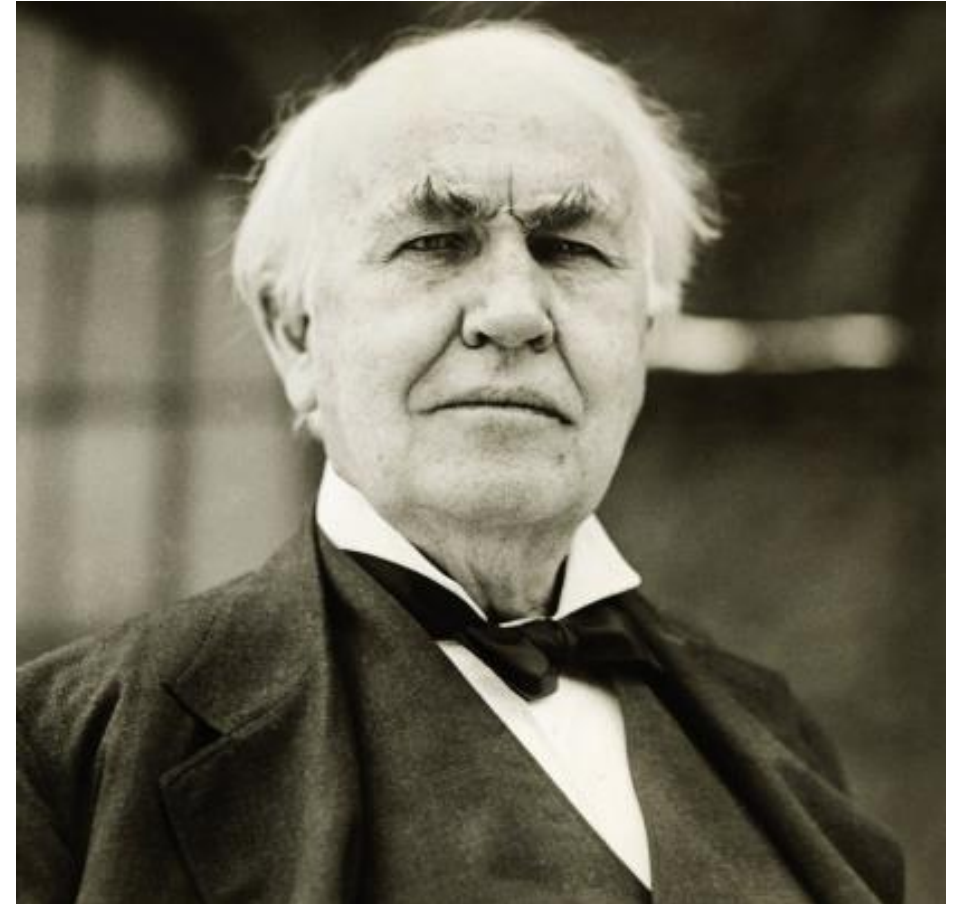
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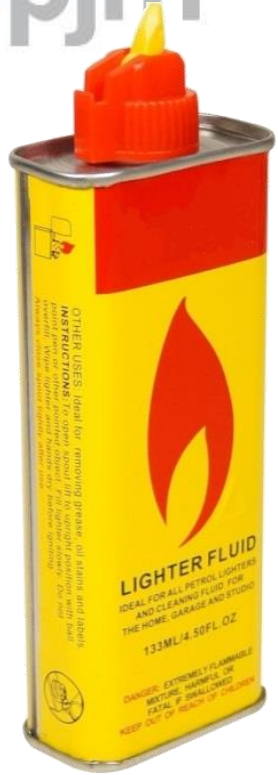


Energy storage: The Holy Grail for renewable energy grid integration

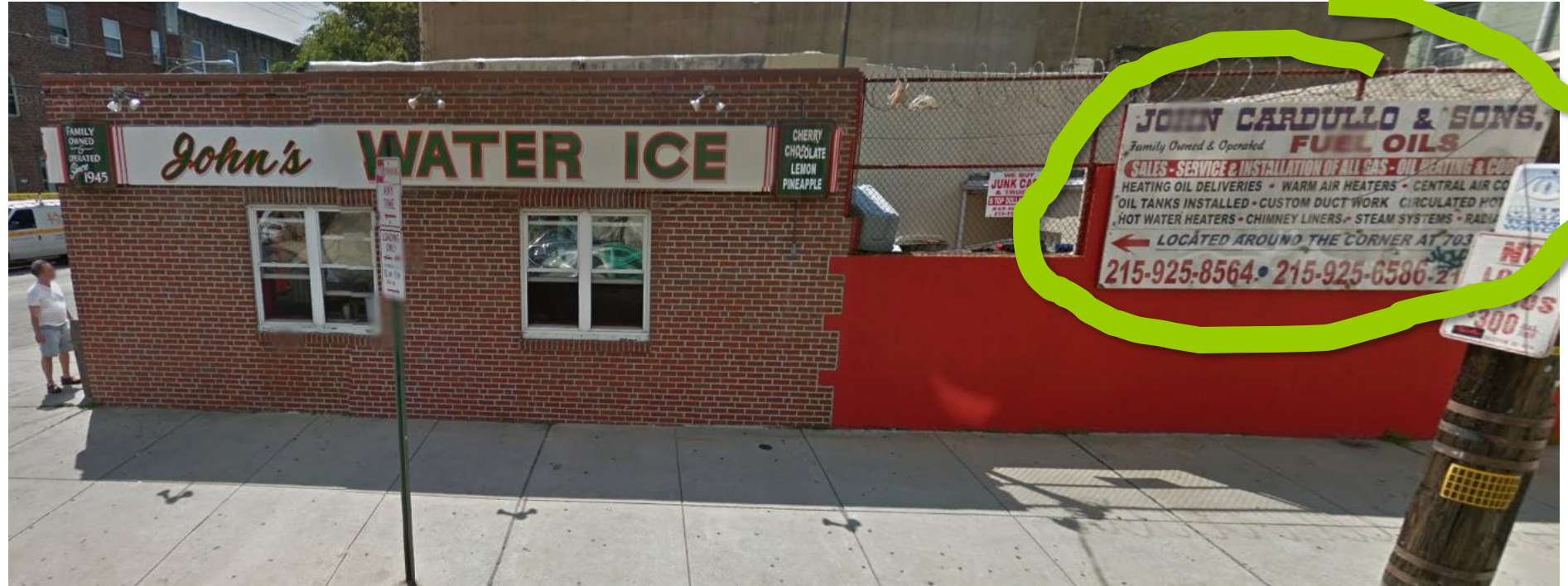
“The storage battery is, in my opinion, a catchpenny, a sensation, a mechanism for swindling the public by stock companies. The storage battery is one of those peculiar things which appeals to the imagination, and no more perfect thing could be desired by stock swindlers than that very selfsame thing. ... Just as soon as a man gets working on the secondary battery it brings out his latent capacity for lying.”

--Thomas Edison, 1883





~\$0.02
per kWh





~\$200
per kWh



- Fact 1: Transport of electricity is incredibly fast:
 - ~ 2 seconds to take power from a generator in Oklahoma to a customer in Maine.
- Fact 2: Storage of electricity is fantastically expensive:
 - ~ 3 – 4 orders of magnitude higher than e.g., oil storage.
 - Most electricity storage is ~1–4 hours, none over 24 hours.
- Thus: electric grid = “conveyor belt” directly from producer to consumer.
- Special “Balancing Authority” utilities required to dispatch generators (and loads) to balance supply and demand on a minute-by-minute basis
 - E.g., PJM, Southern Company, Western Area Power Administration

Battery Costs Continue to Decline, Growth Opportunities for Storage

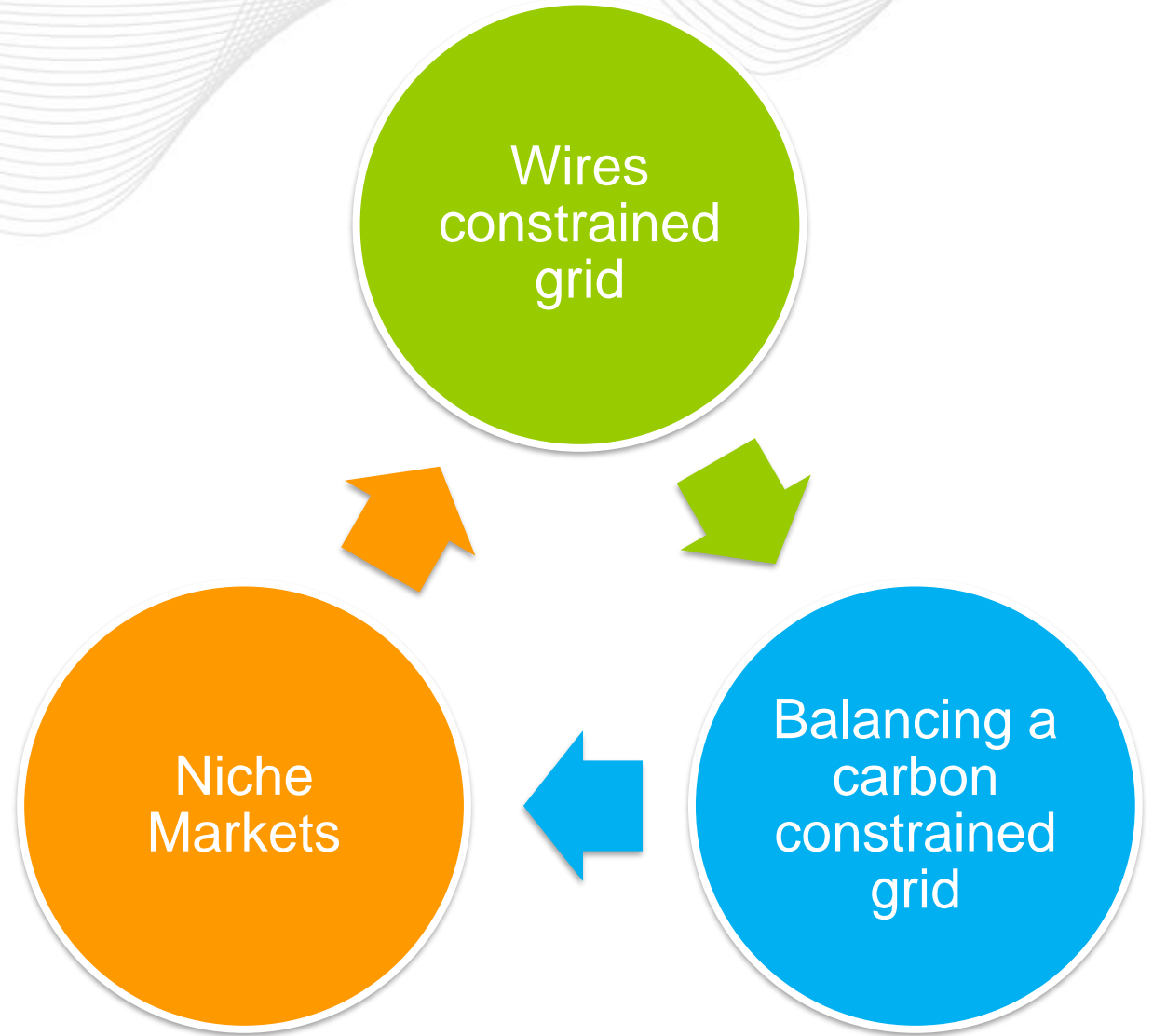
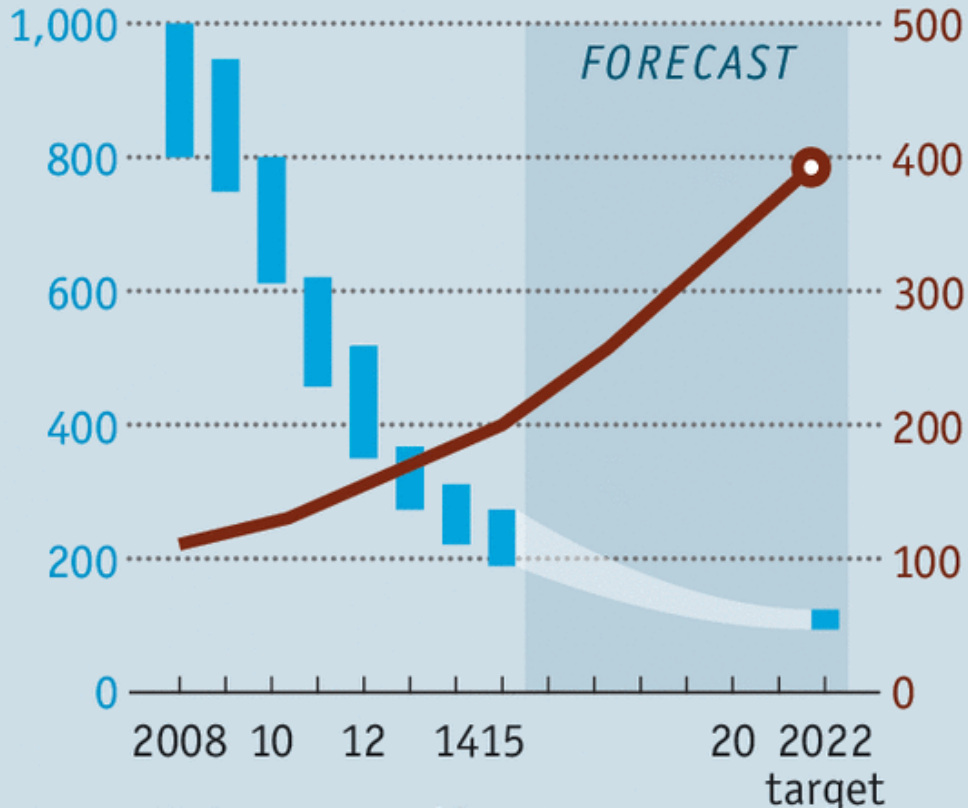
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Economist.com

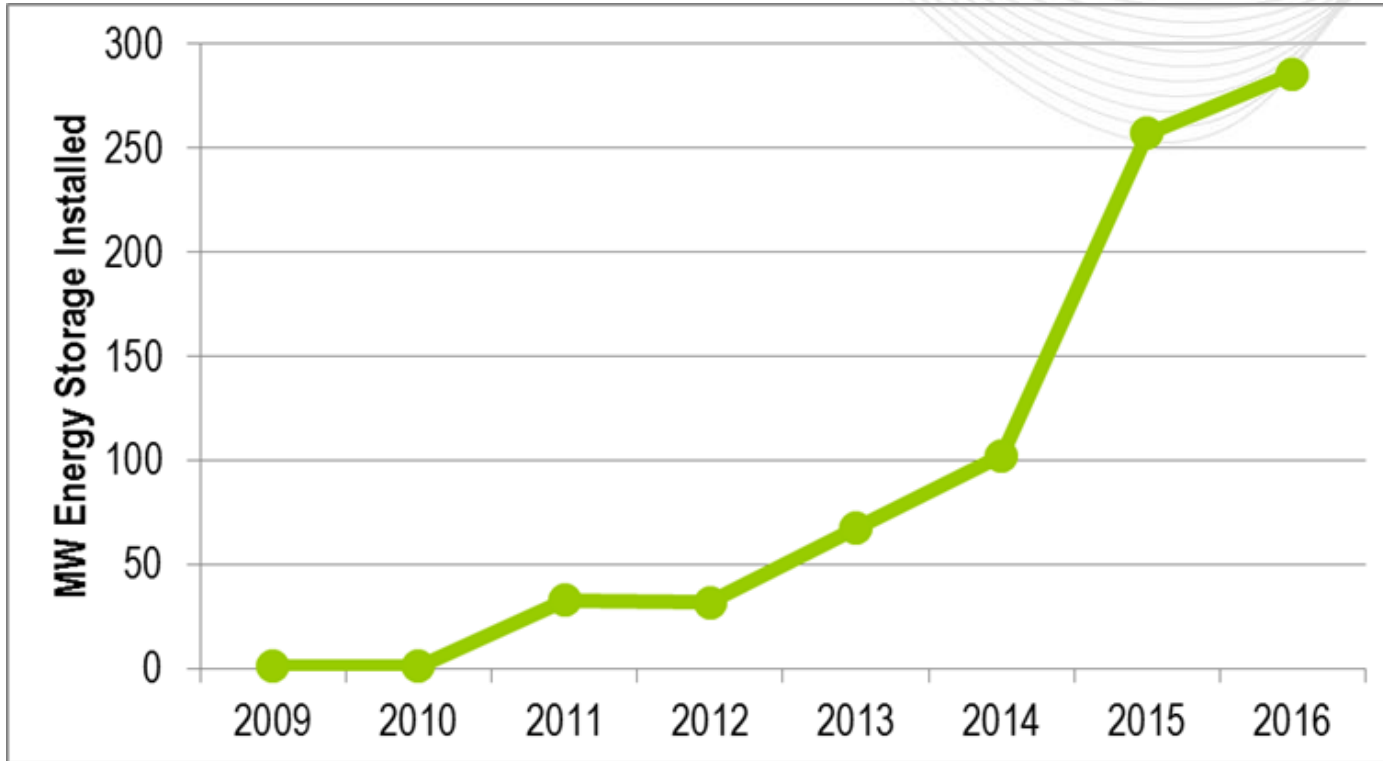
Watt next?

Battery cost
Worldwide, \$/kWh

Battery energy density
Watt-hours per litre



Storage Use Case	Type	Jurisdiction	Incentivized?
Emergency Backup	Wires	Local	Customer
Reduce Retail “Demand Charges”, etc.	Wires	Local	Retail bill reduction: mostly large customers, but also states without Net Metering
“Non-Wires Alternatives”	Wires	~Local	Limited pilots
Regulating Reserves	Niche	FERC	Only in ISO/RTOs
Frequency Response	Niche	FERC	Limited cases
Energy Arbitrage	Balancing	FERC or Local	Most feasible in ISO/RTOs
Resource Adequacy	Balancing	FERC or Local	Integrated Resource Planning or ISO/RTO markets



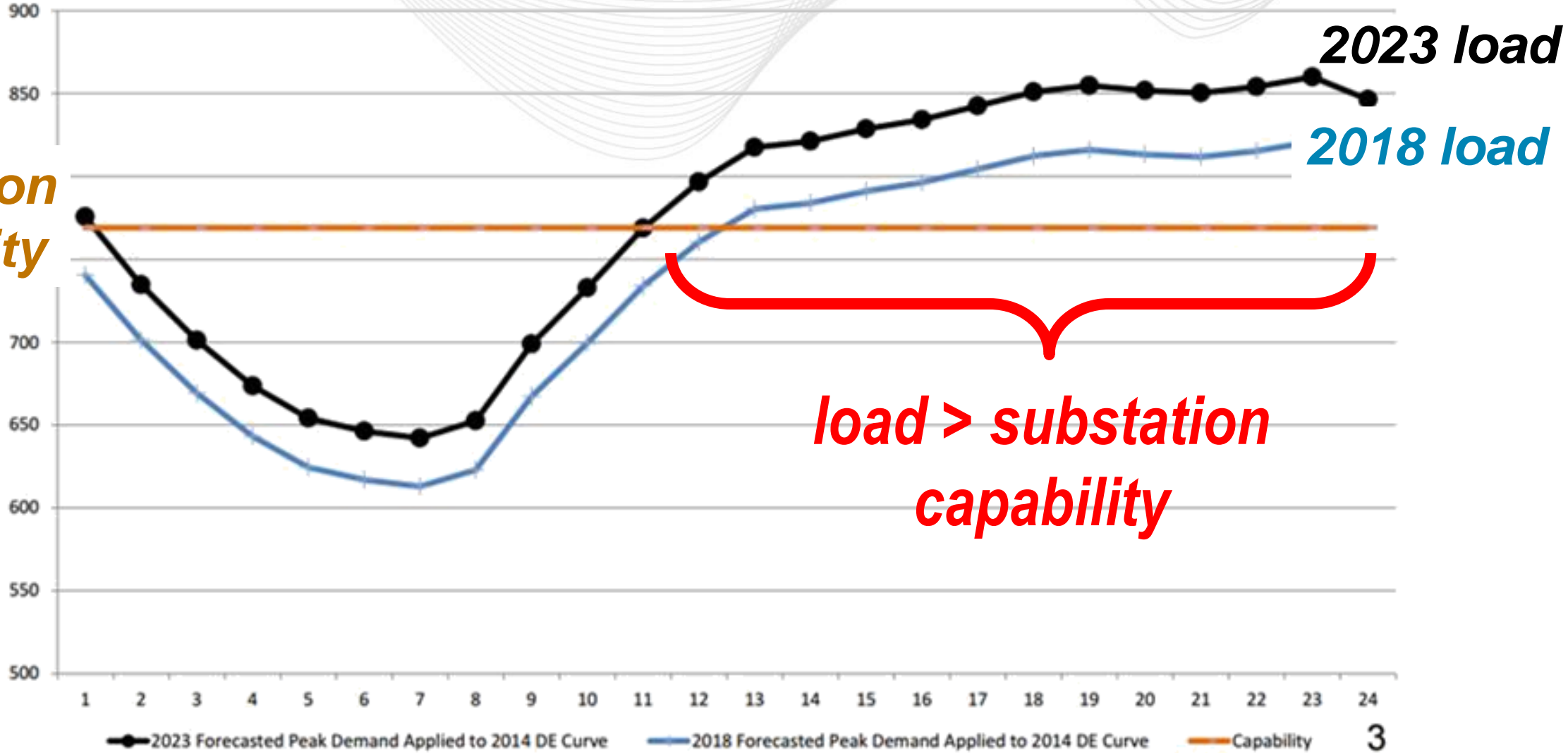
- PJM storage growth starting with “fast” Regulating Reserves* in 2008.
- At today’s deployment, more “fast” frequency regulation is not needed**.

**AKA Frequency Regulation*

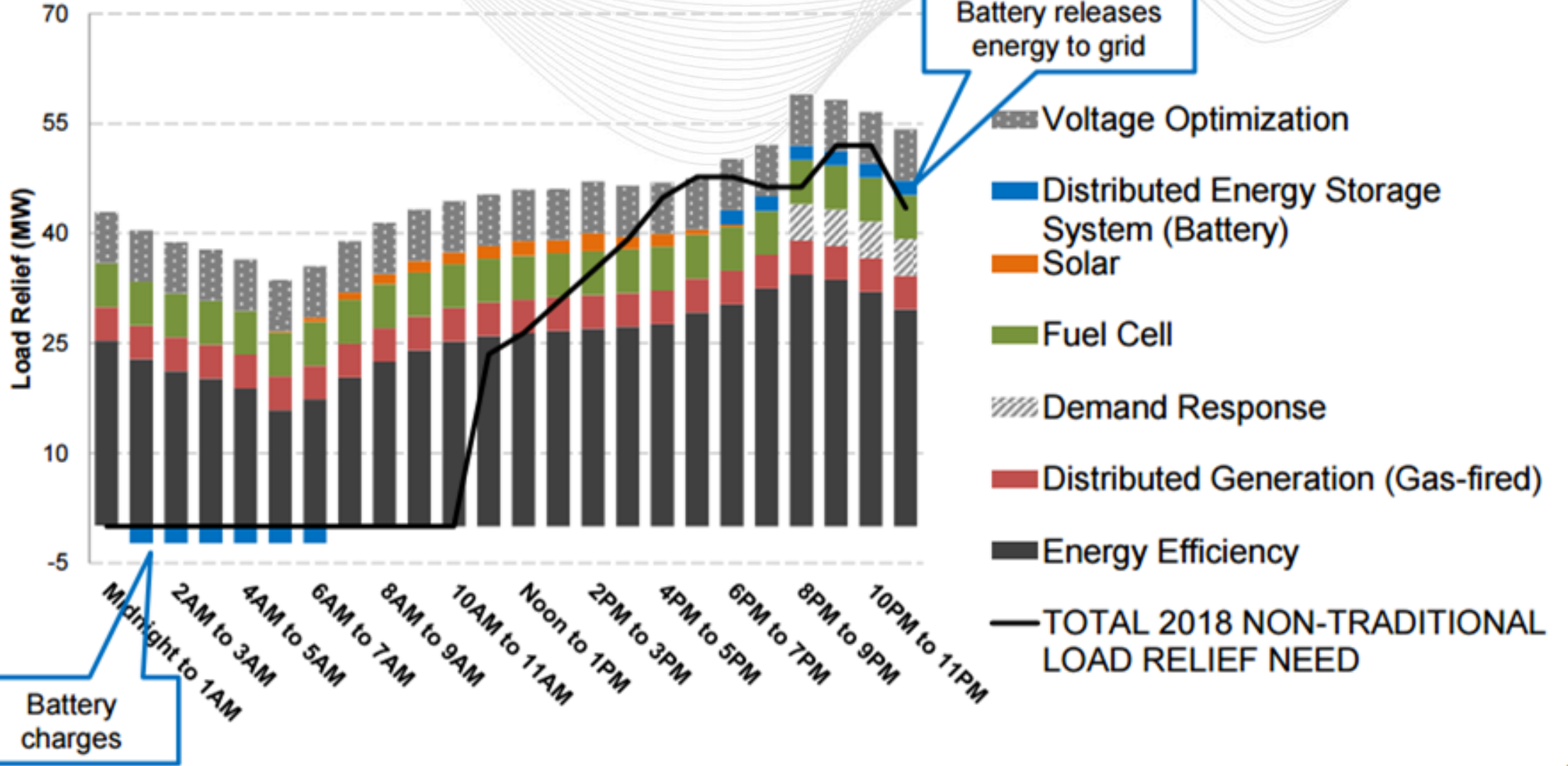
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**Substation
Capability**

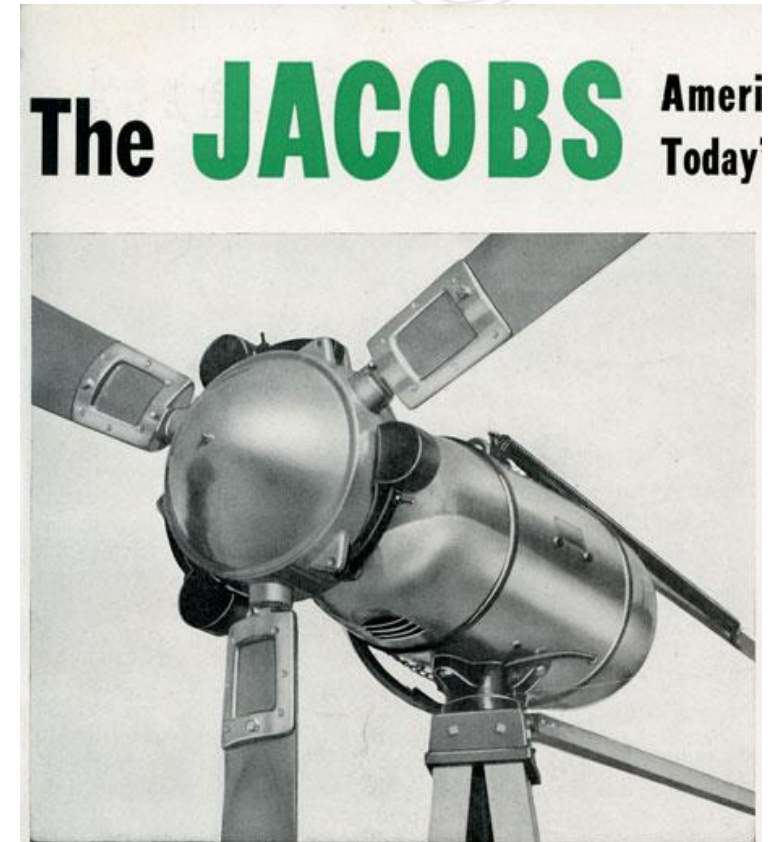


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- ~3 GW of customer-sited solar in PJM
- Of this: ~0 GW of resilience benefit
- Battery can enable islanded backup solar system

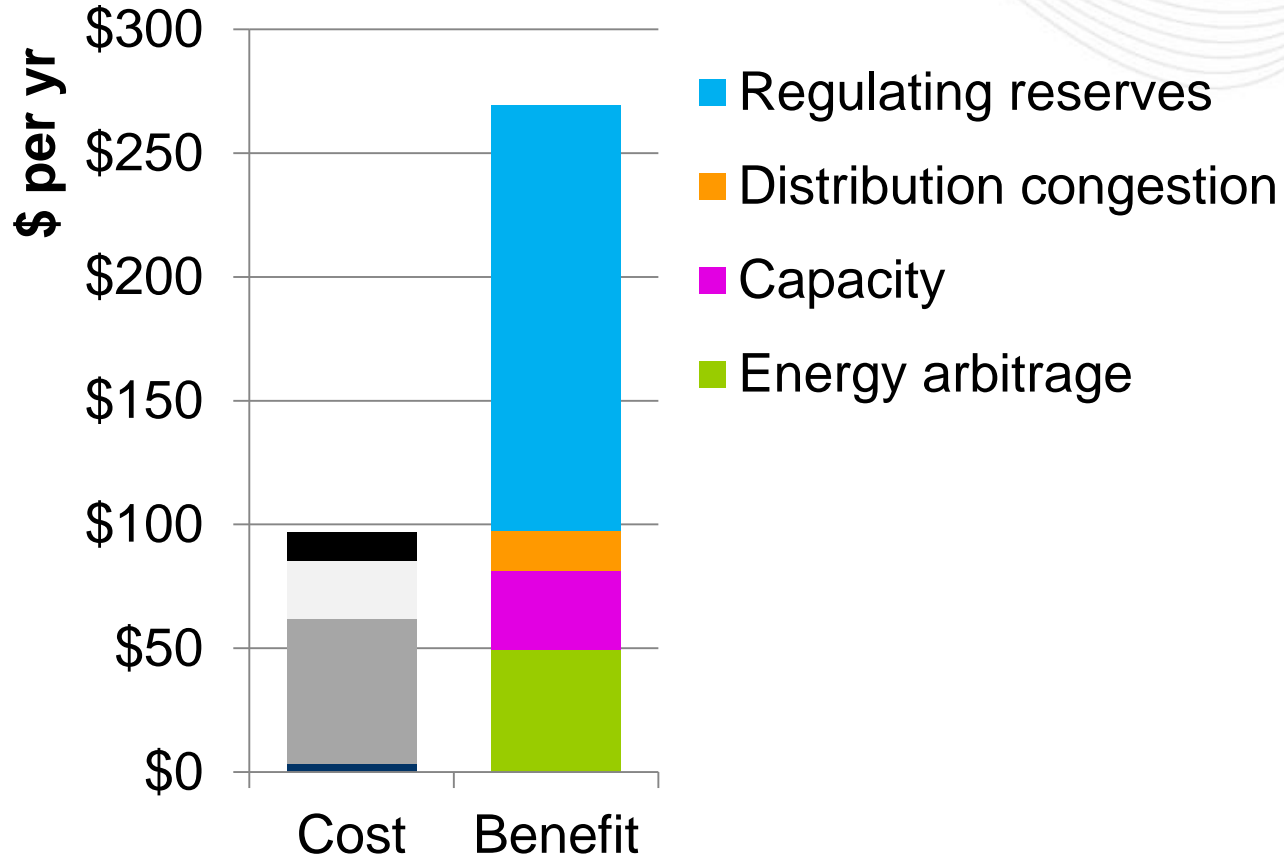


POSITIVE CHARGING RATE CONTROL
for reducing the charging rate automatically when the batteries are full;



Multiuse: Distribution “Non-Wires Alt” plus Reserves + Energy + Capacity

Brattle/NRECA 2016 PJM Study



Challenges from Spanning 2 jurisdictions:

- Avoid double counting schedules, metering, and settlements
- Schedule coordination
- Priority in firm contracts, e.g. firm distribution congestion management vs. firm RTO generation
- Conflict e.g.: back-to-back calls with limited energy, or simultaneous local overgeneration + regional peak load
- Different interests for dynamic inverter requirements

- How to fairly and optimally stack benefits for “multiuse” batteries?
- Is Energy Storage a generator?
 - If so, what are the implications for “wires” use cases in deregulated states?
- How do you fairly “model” energy storage in utility or ISO/RTO resource optimization systems?
- Does Energy Storage store energy, and if so, what are the jurisdictional implications?
 - E.g., most electricity withdrawals are considered end-use retail—however, wholesale energy storage withdrawals are counted as wholesale “time shifting” transactions.
 - How do you account for energy storage devices that perform both wholesale and retail functions?

- Storage: no holy grails just yet.
- Not a catchpenny either: growing niches of value and significant promise for the future.

