



Prospective System analysis of stationary battery systems under the frame of Constructive Technology Assessment

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German Energy transition

Introduction

- 80%-100% renewables until 2050
- Mainly based on wind & solar
- Low correlation between RES to load
- Balancing technologies required
- Battery systems are one potential option
- High competition \rightarrow several technologies

Problem:

- Storage in general depends on other system developments and does not represent a separately identifiable dominant system (Grünewald 2012)
- High uncertainty about general needs and requirements regarding energy storage and sustainability within a large socio-technical regime change → Energiewende



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Research Question & Peer Group



Research aim:

Carry out prospective system analysis based on CTA principles to open technology design processes to related societal requirements & concerns to bring about <u>sustainable improvements</u> of emerging grid battery storage technologies to provide a broader basis for decision making and technology support.

Peer Group:

Broad spectrum: Technology developers, decision makers & research in the field of stationary battery storage and the energy system

Theoretical background: Constructive Technology Assessment



- CTA → grounded it theory of <u>co-evolution</u> of technology and society, emerging irreversibilities + endogenous futures (Grunwald 1999)
- CTA → several methods → broaden design process of new technology identify undesired impacts → or make it more reflexive (Shot & Rip, 1997)
- If necessary, → modification of it → e.g. more sustainable design → better fit the needs of society (Guston and Sarewitz 2002)
- CTA kernel → stakeholder participation activities → surveys, interviews, interactive workshops etc. → increase social learning



Source: busyteacher.org



Explorative research for Stakeholder involvement



Supervised master thesis of Thom Versteeg \rightarrow exploratory work about CTA to battery storage (qualitative, interviews & survey)



- **8** interviews, 220 invitiations \rightarrow 33 responses
- Versteeg, T., Baumann, M., Weil, M., Moniz. A. B. "CTA of Emerging Battery Technology for Grid-Connected Energy Storage" Submission to "Technological Forecasting and Social Change"

Stakeholder involvement: Survey

2 Languages, spreaded globally

Online Survey

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 Stakeholders within dominant socio-technical system (energy system)
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Welcome to the survey on stationary battery systems

Dear participant,

thank you for your interest and participation in this research on energy storage technologies. The following survey takes about 15 minutes and is completely anonymous. The results will only be used in line of this research. You can also receive a summary of the results if required

Stakeholder involvement: Starting point/stakeholder identification



Dominant socio-technical regime concept - 7 sub regimes and corresponding stakeholder groups in energy storage + exploratory work Thom (Geels & Verbong 2010 & Grünewald 2012, Versteeg 2014)

ST-regime dimension	Stakeholder group			
Industry	Utility companies, networks operators, developers			
Technology	Developers, Academia			
Infrastructure	Transmission & Distribution System operators (TSO & DSO), utilities, academia			
Policy	Policy makers, regulators, academia			
Culture	Society			
Science	Academia, Industry			
Market User preferences	Utilities, TSO's, DSO's, demand Aggregators, End users,			

Survey: Methodological proceedure



- 1st Pretest phase: In ITAS (about 10 persons performed technical tests, individual, informal discussion with 5 participants), presentation of criteria & stakeholder groups in the working group + short feedback
- 2nd Pretest phase: consultation of <u>11 external experts</u> → research and industry, → to make a critical review and to participate in interview → <u>8 pre-test interviews</u>* → identify problems regarding questions, relevance of stakeholders & used criteria for MCDA Methods
- 3^{rd} Pretest phase, technical pretest (working group \rightarrow 5 tests)
- Release of survey
- Follow-up interviews



Source: prosoft-technology.com

*cognitive interviews :probing (comprehension, category selection,) (Schuman 1966 & Belson 1981) / Semi structured 30 to 120 minutes per telefone & personal

Survey Structure after pretest phases



The survey is structured in 3 "parts"

1.General questions regarding the "Energiewende"

- Potential impact of RES on markets & system safety
- Structure of the future energy system (central vs. decentral)
- Relevance of different balancing technologies

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- 2. Stationary battery related questions
 - Level of system integration
 - Application fields



3. Multi-criteria decision analysis (MCDA)



Identification of sustainability hotspots regarding balancing technologies through MCDA

Survey: Participants of the survey

- After external reviews 13 Stakeholder groups
- A relevance list of SH was developed, (internet research, personal contact, business contacts)
- > 80 individual invitations ...3 days of email writing
- PIs, higher management, project leaders
- Snow-ball principle
- Target: 6 participants per stakeholder group







Source: hardwaresecrets.com



Survey results: Participants of the survey





Survey: Participants



Since 27.10.2015 - > 50 responses (> 40 completed entire survey, including usable external pretests) – survey deadline 30th of November



Survey results: 1. General part (excerpt) I



Stakeholders where asked to rate the importance of different given technologies for a successful "Energiewende"



- Other named technologies are: V2G (3 times), P2G, P2H etc.
- Other measures: regulation of RES, tarif systems etc.

Survey results: 1. General part (excerpt) II







Survey results: 1. General part (excerpt) IV



Interviews \rightarrow understand what are the concerns of stakeholders regarding different technolgies \rightarrow Focus batteries

DSM:

"I don't see a high potential in this technology, smart meters are to expensive, no valuable business case.....acceptance problem also in industry"

Centralized storage:

"Difficult..., really very difficult to implement new projects due to high environmental standards..... and public oppinion against new projects.... No real alternative... markets are not sufficient"

Grid extension:

"Well very necessary... but I think we all know the problems.... NIMBY..."

Battery storage:

"We are already at the minimum edge of profitability with pumped hydro – how should new concepts as batteries then be economically viable?"

Survey results: 2. Battery specific part (excerpt)



■ Visions from SH → stationary battery systems application & system integration in the future

Where will system integration take part?

What kind of application is probable?



Survey 3. Multi-Criteria-Decision-Analysis (MCDA)



- Assumption → way of <u>designing & selecting</u> technology according to sustainability factors relies on the preferences from different actors embedded in different "worlds" (sub-regimes) → complex decision problem → temporarily dominant ST-regime
- Dilemma uncertainty of the desirable technology "shape target" →
 weighting of results → environmental vs. economic vs. social aspects
 → what is relevant → factors to improve embedding in society

MCDA serves as integral part to link qualitative and quantitave results

MCDA - AHP: Multi-Criteria-Decision-Analysis (MCDA)

What is MCDA?

Conjunction of mathematical procedures to systematically visualize the optimum choice of alternatives for a decision maker

Why use it?

- Complexity of decisions due to
 - Multiple objectives (min cost, max benefit)
 - Complex structure (several alternatives, views etc.)
 - Sequence of decisions (decision dependent on former decisions)
 - Multiple decision makers (various views, objectives etc.)
- Often appear in combination with high uncertainty



EXECUTIVE DECISION MARING SYSTEM



http://www.meetjerryspangler.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/05/eecutive_decision_making_1920x1200.jpg

MCDA - AHP: MCDA – Model



- Several methods available (ELECTRE, SMART, ORESTE etc.)
- Which one is suitable for my approach?

Analytic Hierarchy process AHP



Source: http://www.ftlcomm.com/ensign/d esantisArticles/2002_600/desantis673/ gametheory.html

- AHP method based on mathematics and principles of psychology
- Allows to obtain physical factors + allows to acces psychological realm
- Non-linear framework, considers several factors simultaneously, allows for tradeoffs to arrive at a synthesis (Saaty 1990).

MCDA - AHP: MCDA – Model





MCDA - AHP: Definition of Alternatives

Battery technologies \rightarrow based on survey & interviews

- Redox-flow-Vanadium-battery
- Lithium-Iron-Phosphate-Battery
- Lead-acid (VRLA)
- High-temperature-battery (Zebra)

- Alternative technologies for comparison
 - Pumped Hydro Storage
 - Combined cycle gas turbine
 - Not possible to include all flexibility options







MCDA - AHP: Definition of Criteria



- Start with a comprehensive literature review to get overview
 - 4 main criteria
 - 11 sub-criteria
- First set of criteria was then discussed internal & reformulated
- Presented to pre-testing SH group

Aspects	Criteria	Literature	Total
Abbeero	ernorm		number
	Resources	[108], [42], [116], [117], [109],	5
	GHG emissions	[108], [118], [42], [119], [120]	5
	Impact on ecosystems	[42], [117]	2
	Risk in cause of failure	[117]	1
Environ-	CO2 Emission	[42], [121], [109]	3
ment	CED	[108], [122]	2
ment	Land use	[108], [121], [118], [119], [120], [115]	6
	S02	[109]	1
	NOx	[109], [122]	2
	Particles	[122]	1
	Others	[119], [120], [115]	3
	Specific cost, LCOE, LCC	[121], [117] [109], [118] [122], [120], [115]	7
	Enh. Of comp.	[117]	1
	Investment Cost	[42], [121], [109], [122], [119]	5
Feenamia	O & M Cost	[42],	1
Economic	Fuel Cost	[119]	1
	Payback method	[42], [123], [119]	3
	NPV	[119]	1
	Others	[117], [118], [122], [42], [119]	5
	Compliance with pol goals	[108], [117]	2
	Nat. indep.	[117]	1
	Employm. Pot., new jobs	[117], [109], [123], [119], [120], [115]	6
	Social accept.	[42], [108], [117], [119], [115]	5
Social	Effects on landscape	[117], [118]	2
	Social Benefits	[42], [119]	2
	Risk	[108], [115]	2
	Contribution to regional dev.	[123]	1
	Other	[118], [122]	2
	Efficiency	[121], [108], [117], [122], [123], [119]	6
	Excergy efficiency	[116],	1
	PER	[116]	1
	Safety	[119]	1
	Reliability	[42], [118], [119]	3
Technical	Maturity	[42], [116], [118], [123]	4
	System life	[119]	1
	Availability	[119]	1
	Fatalities	[120]	1
	Flexibility	[115]	1
	Others	[117], [118], [120], [115]	4

MCDA – AHP: Final set of criteria



Interviews and external reviews have led to stepwise alterations and changes → final set of criteria



MCDA - AHP: Pairwise Comparisons



1. Please state your preferences regarding sustainability aspects of storage or balancing technologies (e.g. battery storage, gas turbines, pumped hydro storage, etc). Rate the following aspects by **pairwise comparisons** for the AHP evaluation. The categories represent the three pillars of sustainability and are supplemented with a fourth category "technology".

Sustainability criteria overview:

Ecology = Subcriteria: Damage to ecosystem diversity, damage to human health and ressource availability

Economy = Subcriteria: Capital cost and lifecycle costs

Society & Policy = Subcriteria: Social acceptance, availability of regulations, compliance with political goals

Technology = Subcriteria: Technological maturity, performance and flexibility

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impo	ortant	impo	rtant	impo	ortant	impo	ortant		Impo	rtant	impo	ortant	impo	rtant	impo	ortant
9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Ecology		 Economy
Ecology	<u></u>	Society & Politics
Ecology	_	 Technology
Economy	<u>k</u>	 Society & Politics
Technology	_	 Society & Politics
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Extremely more	Strongly more	Moderately more	Slightly more	Equal	Slightly more	Moderately more	Strongly more	Extremely more
important 9 8	7 6	important	3 2	1	2 3	4 5	important 6 7	important 8 9



MCDA - AHP: Pairwise Comparisons





MCDA - AHP: The math....





MCDA-AHP: Result example





Example of preferences of 2 stakeholders that participated

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MCDA – AHP: Group decision making





MCDA – AHP: Group decision making



Aim of this AHP is to come to group decisions to

- select key performance parameters
- To agree on common strategies for future developments
- How to derive \rightarrow average \rightarrow unclear if stakeholder agree with each other



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MCDA – AHP: Consensus factor

- Concept of diversity → shannon entropy* S (Shannon** 1948)
- S + alpha & gamma diversity
 → biology (Jost, 2006).
- Result is a homogeneity index \rightarrow consensus indicator
- Consensus will be 0 when priorities are completely distinct and 1 when they are identical (Goepel 2013)
 - 0 % no consensus \rightarrow 75% high consensus \rightarrow 100 % absolute consensus
 - This can be used to analyze how strong consensus is among stakeholder groups

* to measure of *unpredictability* of *information content* **Inventor of the bit





MCDA-AHP: Results per group



4 field matrice to identify main criteria relevant for techn. choice/design



MCDA-AHP: Detailed Stakeholder analysis



- Gather deeper insight in Stakeholder decisions
- Shared Interest →pairwise kxk-Matrice →spot pot. "alliances"



Degree of consensus

Absolute	1,0
Very Strong	0,9
Strong	0,8
Good	0,7
Moderate	0,5
Low	0,3
Very Low	0,2
None	-1,0

Further discussion \rightarrow develop new alternatives for given problem

MCDA-AHP: Detailed Stakeholder analysis



For all Stakeholders, multiple interest clusters k=62, common priorities





Interest clusters

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Analysis pending...

MCDA-AHP: Detailed Stakeholder analysis



Relation of priorities in technology design/Invest decision



MCDA-AHP Sub-criteria



Vector summation for sub-criteria weights for all SH -> consensus relatively high



MCDA-AHP Combination of models





MCDA-AHP: Results



- Comparison of technologies based on mcda and stakeholder groups
- Obtain average optimum of technology (LCA results not real)



MCDA-AHP: Results



- Ranking of Storage technologies base on obtained sustainability criteria and weights
- Enables in depths analysis of criteria contribution to final result



Conclusion & Outlook

- AHP → multiple constructed realities in differences within perceptions, attitudes, judgements and practices of various actors and makes them transparent and debatable.
- Solid base for SH modulation following the principles of CTA by allowing differences in opinions to develop a best construct of technology

Research Methodology



Integrative approach → combine CTA & quantitative system analysis tools to explore potential sustainability implications



Outlook



- Interpretation of survey results
- Quantification of results (LCA under construction)
- Continue writing

