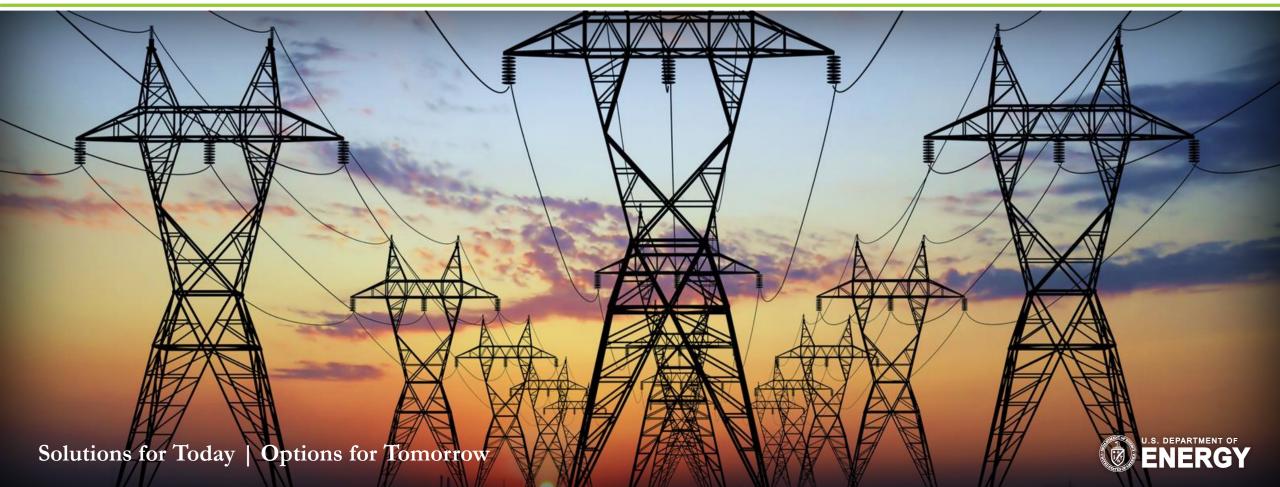
# Energy Storage Systems Analyses Challenges and Complexities



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## What is Systems Analysis (SA)



#### Boundaries define the system, methodology defines the analysis

#### What is Systems Analysis?

"A system is a cohesive conglomeration of interrelated and interdependent parts that is either natural or man-made. Every system is:

- delineated by its spatial and temporal boundaries
- surrounded and influenced by its environment
- described by its structure and purpose or nature
- expressed in its functioning
- can be more than the sum of its parts if it expresses synergy or emergent behavior

Changing one part of the system usually affects other parts and the whole system, with predictable patterns of behavior."

Systems Science—an interdisciplinary field that studies the nature of systems

**Systems Analysis**—the branch of systems science that analyzes systems, the interactions within those systems, and/or the interactions with environments





# SA of Energy Storage (ES) Concepts



**Objectives are often a matter of Use Case and stakeholder perspectives** 

### Storage System Owner

- Generate revenue
  - Energy arbitrage
  - Expanded/enhanced service menu
- Enhance the value of existing assets
  - Increased operational flexibility
  - Decreased production costs

## Bulk Power System

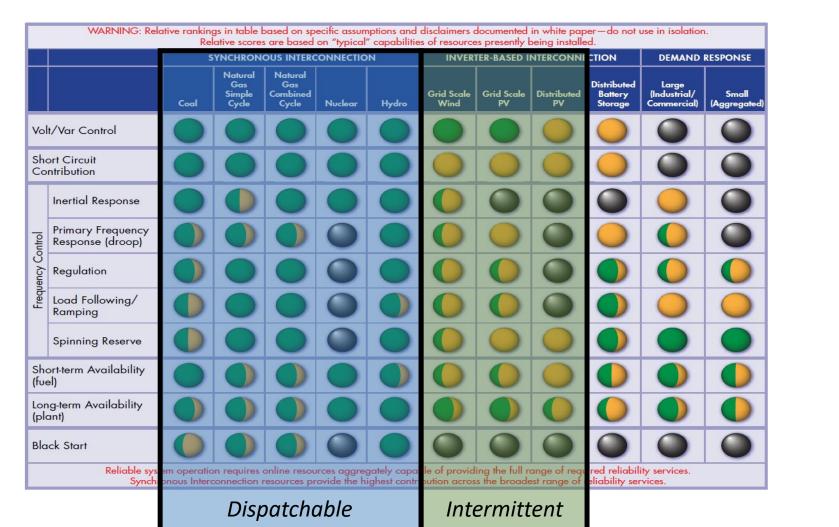
- Address changing nature of generator base
  - Increasing replacement of dispatchable with intermittent resources
- Maintain necessary level of critical grid services
  - Reduction of existing base due to retirement of conventional generating resources
  - Compensate for limitations in the "service menu" provided by asynchronous generating technologies

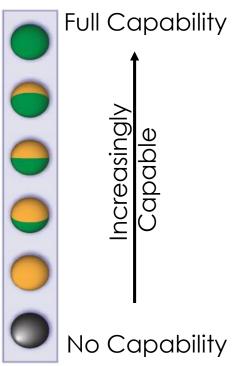


## Illustration of Varied "Service Menus"



#### Conventional dispatchable resources provide a "fuller" menu







# SA Scope a Function of ES Use Case



System boundaries and parameter granularity are key considerations

### • Unit-Level

- Stand-alone electricity storage system
- Integrated energy storage system
  - Operationally integrated
  - Physically integrated

### Bulk Power System-Level

- Grid
  - Stand-alone
  - Integrated
- Grid+ (i.e., Bulk power system plus coproduct markets)

The more relevant the desired analysis outcome, the higher the analysis complexity.

For any analysis outcome to be meaningful, sufficient consideration must be given to determine the appropriate resolution/granularity of:

- Process performance
- Capital and operating costs
- Products/services evaluated
- Locational specificity
  - Supply (including competition) and demand (including alternatives)
  - Supply chain
- Timescale

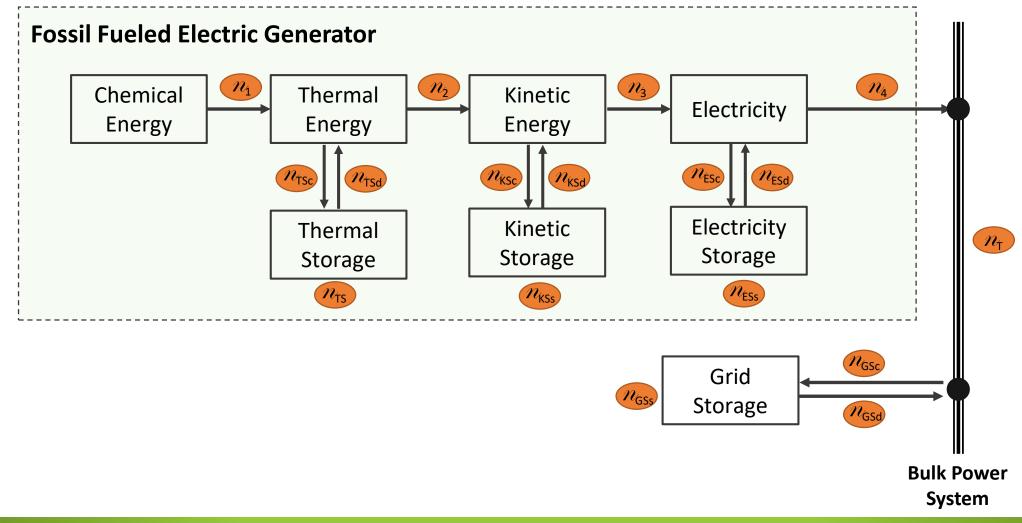
And more than likely many others ...



## ES Integrated w/ Fossil-Fueled Power Plant



Energy intensive processes provide multiple ES integration pathways

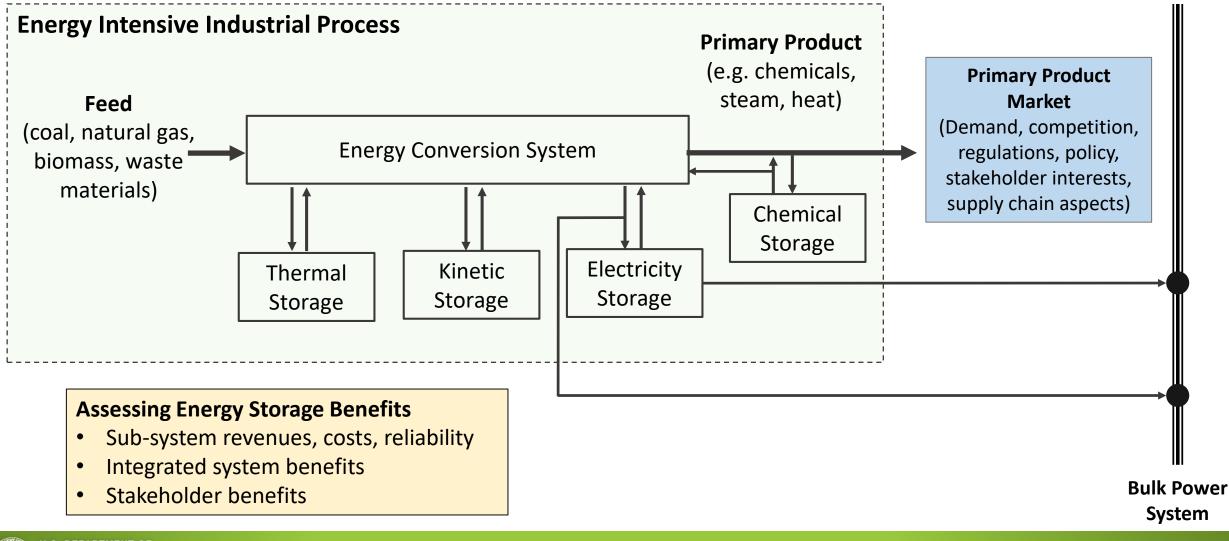




# Energy Intensive Industrial Processes



#### Industrial processes offer similar (and maybe more) integration opportunities





# Integration Options for Fossil Energy Systems



#### "Other than electricity" ES pathways for fossil energy

#### Thermal Energy Storage

Integration of thermal storage at power plants for improved operations and/or increased power output during high-demand periods

Pilot projects underway for some technologies (e.g. concrete TES); Material testing and assessment of integration schemes necessary

#### Chemical Energy Storage

Integration of chemical storage with grid connected co-production (e.g., power & hydrogen) providing greater operational flexibility

Multiple product pathway options; e.g. H<sub>2</sub>; bulk storage and distribution in early development

### Kinetic Energy Storage

Fossil or nuclear energy conversion paired with mechanical energy storage options

Standalone CAES has been commercialized, but not widely deployed; Other technologies are currently being developed (e.g. gravity-based options)

#### Operational Flexibility as Storage

Flexibility in facility operations to leverage energy stored within the system redirected to support the bulk power system

CCS technology demonstrated; flexible system design, control and optimization needed



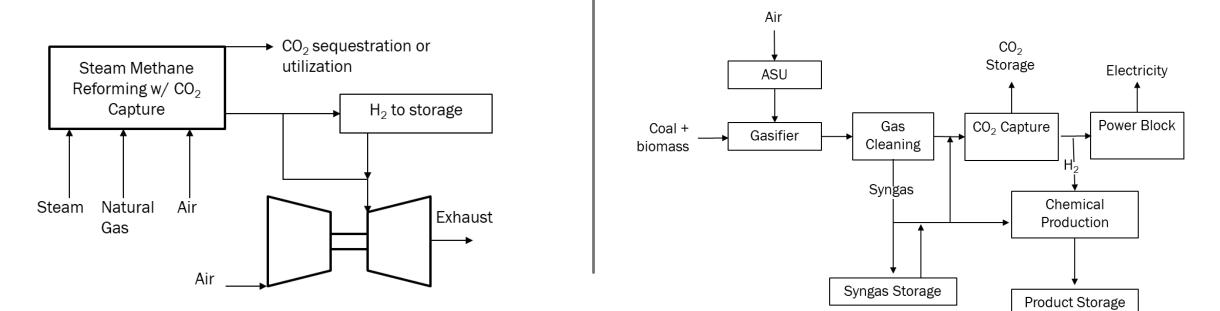
Low-Carbon Fossil Enabled Via Chemical ES



Fossil based H<sub>2</sub> production with carbon capture and storage

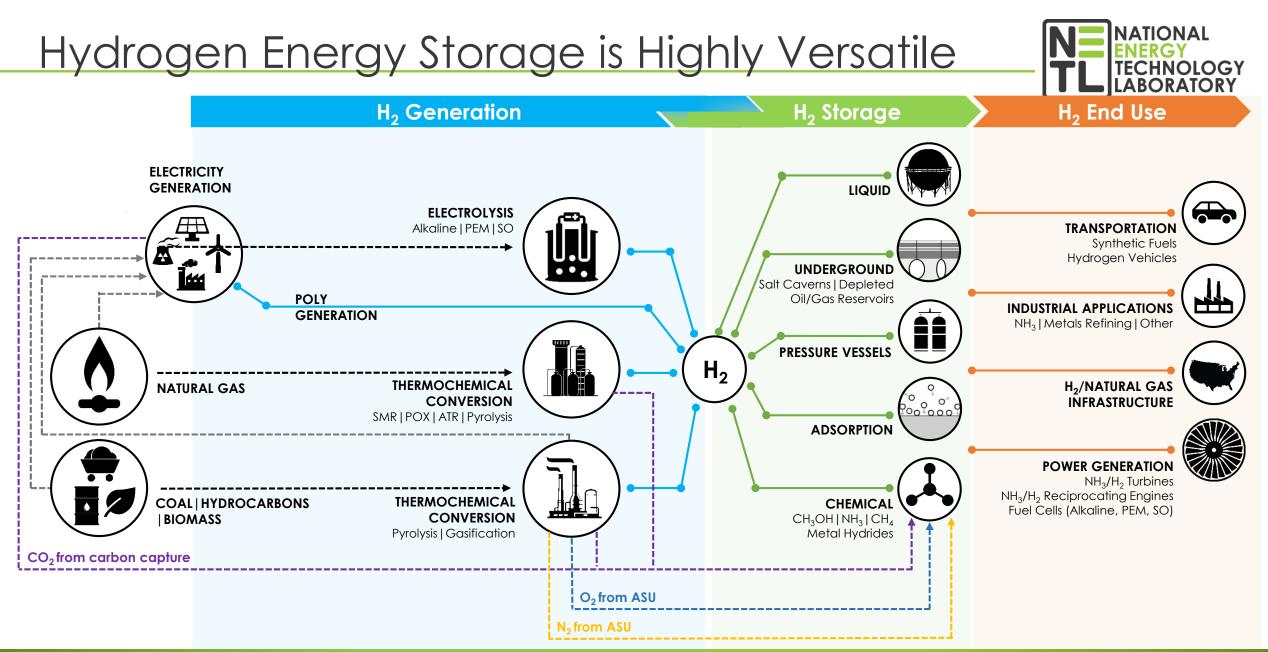
### Co-production of Power and Hydrogen from Natural Gas

### Co-production of Power and Chemicals using Coal Gasification



Operational flexibility of CO<sub>2</sub> capture system provides access to energy "stored" within the system







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# Energy Storage Valuation Conundrum



Value is amorphous and ever changing

- The value of pairing energy storage (ES) with generation is less about the product(s) that it provides and more about the flexibility it enables
- Application dependent ES enables/enhances flexibility attributes differently

Fossil Fueled EGU Attribute Enhancement	Enhancement Opportunity
Energy arbitrage	Low to High
Lower production cost and/or improved energy conversion efficiency	Moderate to High
Expanded product slate	Low to Moderate

- Spatially and temporally dependent Heterogeneity of how energy is produced, delivered and consumed dictates the demand for and value of flexibility attributes
  - Value Here ≠ Value There
  - Value Now ≠ Value Then



## Quantifying Economic Benefits of Integrated ES

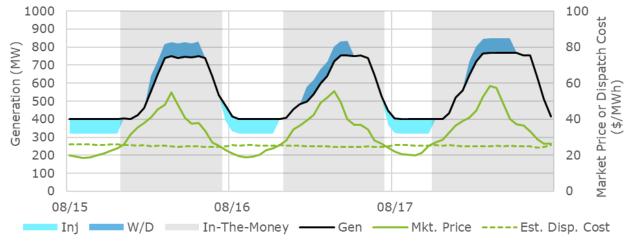


#### ES offers a range of improvements, many of which are difficult to quantify

### Integrated ES Offers Improved Unit-Level Economics Via

- Lower variable production cost leading to enhanced dispatch capture
- Decreased losses due to out-of-themarket sales
  - -ES-enabled energy arbitrage
  - Lower (or avoided) costs associated with taking unit off-line
- Lower maintenance costs due to decreased cycling of process components

Dispatch Capture Opportunity Illustration



Potential dispatch capture from coupling storage with generation could accrue by avoiding out-of-the money sales (and losses) and instead releasing the energy during more valuable periods. The example assumes 10% of unit capacity in coupled storage and energy total storage equivalent to 8 hours.



# Primary Energy Storage Applications



#### In-front of the meter applications for select RTOs/ISOs

