

## European Solar Energy Storage

**The higher the voltage the less energy it stores**



## Overview

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The higher the dielectric constant, the higher the capacitance and the more energy the capacitor can store. In summary, capacitors store electrical energy by accumulating charge on two separate plates.

As a matter of fact, the higher the voltage, the lower their capacitance. The square energy relation is true for a classic plate capacitor, but not the low-cost ones in our everyday gadgets.

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How does a high voltage affect a low voltage?

power = current  $I$  × resistance  $R$  The equation shows that a high current will have a much higher heating effect on the transmission wires than a low current. For this reason, transmitting energy at a high voltage with a low current will keep the wires cooler and waste less energy.

What is the difference between power and energy store?

Power = work done ÷ time taken. energy store The different ways in which energy can be stored, including chemical, kinetic, gravitational potential, elastic potential and thermal stores. power = current × potential difference This is when: current Moving electric charges, eg electrons moving through a metal wire.

What happens when a voltage is applied across a plate?

When a voltage is applied across the plates, one plate becomes positively charged and the other negatively charged, but the dielectric prevents the charges from passing through. This setup leads to an accumulation of positive charge on one side and negative charge on the other.

How do you store energy in a battery?

To get the energy stored, you have to integrate  $I \cdot V$  over time, if you do that for an ideal battery the voltage is constant and can be pulled out of the integral and thus you have just  $I$  integrated over time which is  $Q$ . For the capacitor  $V$  is also time dependent. So it's a bit more complex.

Why do batteries lose a lot of energy?

there is an internal resistance in the battery, so some of the energy is lost in the battery, before it even come out (you might or not want to account it as stored, usually it is because the losses depend on how fast you discharge the battery, so it's easier to have something constant)

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### batteries

If I know the total charge in a battery, let's say 5000 Ah, and I want to find how much energy is stored in the battery, I multiply the total charge by the voltage  $E = Q \cdot V$ ; for example, for 12 V I will get 12 · 5000.

### How does a capacitor store energy? Energy in Electric Field

A: The energy stored in a capacitor can change when a dielectric material is introduced between its plates, as this can increase the capacitance and allow the capacitor to store more energy for the same applied voltage.



### What Is Capacitance? Storing Energy in a Circuit

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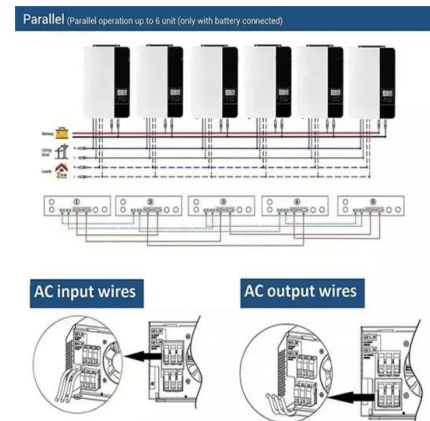
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## How does high voltage decrease energy loss in a wire

Increasing voltage in a wire allows for a reduction in current while maintaining the same power output, thereby minimizing energy loss due to resistance ( $I^2R$  losses).

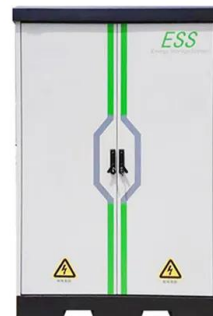


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## which alters the energy a capacitor can store more, voltage

It tells you what the highest voltage that you can put across the capacitor without damaging it. For example, a 100  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor with a 100 V rating and a 100  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor with a 250 V rating both store the same amount of charge when

connected to a power supply/battery.



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