

PREDICTIVE BATTERY ANALYTICS PLATFORM

From Contract to Commissioning: De-Risking the Early Phases of BESS Projects.

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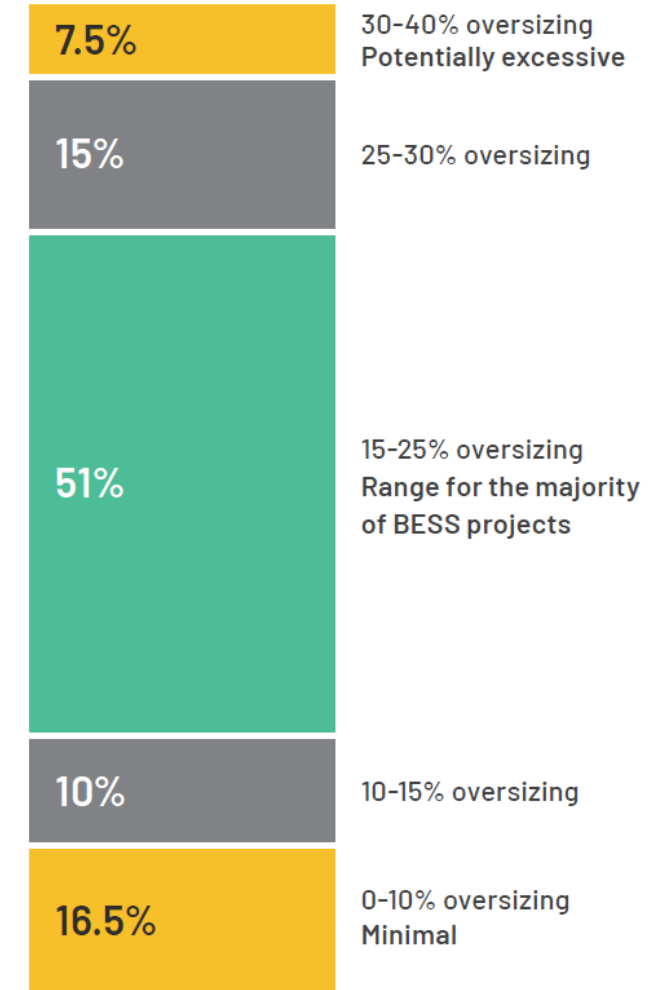
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DISTRIBUTION OF OVERSIZING LEVELS
ACROSS PROJECTS



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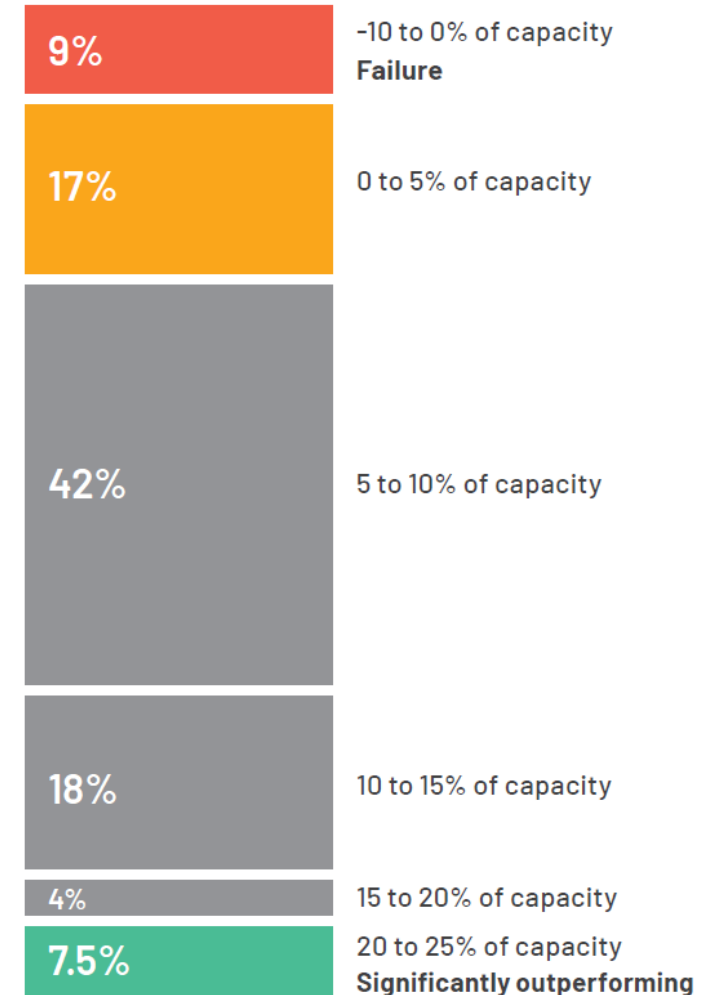
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PERFORMANCE AGAINST NAMEPLATE CAPACITY
AT SITE ACCEPTANCE TEST (SAT) IN PERCENTAGE.



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> 50%

As with anything, experience matters. Shortcuts during the BESS construction phase have lasting effects.

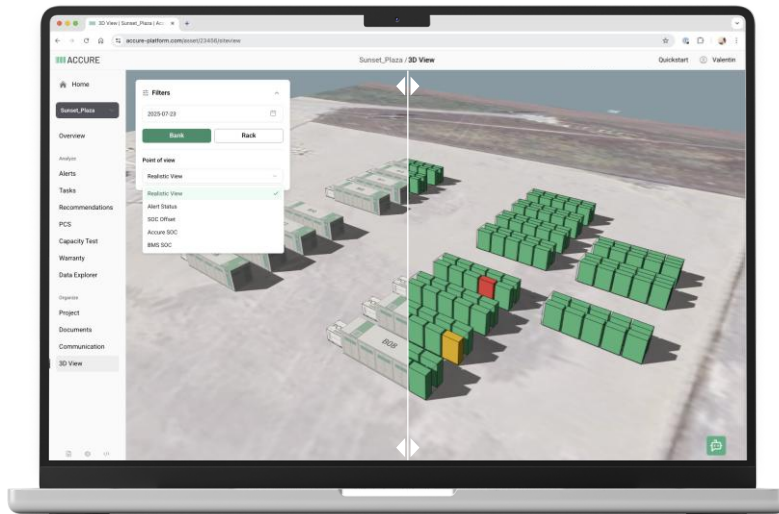


We are part of a young and fast-growing industry with a low level of standardization.

**Therefore,
the early phases of BESS projects
define long-term success.**

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**Real-world examples:
De-Risking the early phases of
BESS projects.**

REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES: CONTRACTING

There are no standards for capacity testing procedures. Due to different approaches results can vary by up to 5% leading to increased CAPEX.

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Factory Acceptance Testing

Commissioning

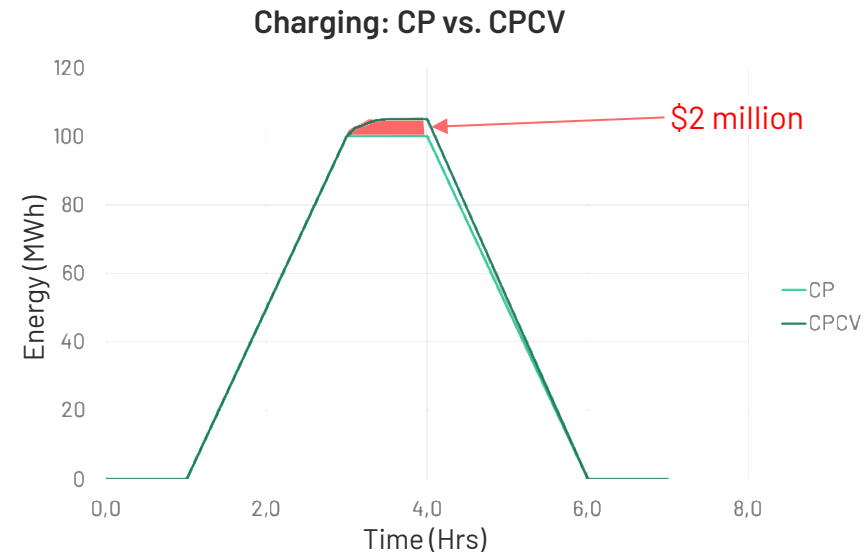
Operations

Analysis

- No standard definitions for capacity testing procedures
- CPCV vs CP charging can inflate results by ~5%
- Example:
 - 5% of 200 MWh = 10 MWh
 - At \$200/kWh → +\$2m CAPEX

Solution

- Fully define test procedure in your contracts
- Match your real operations



REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES: FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TESTING

FAT lays the foundation for high system performance and reliability. Cell grading is a crucial factor to ensure highest quality standards.

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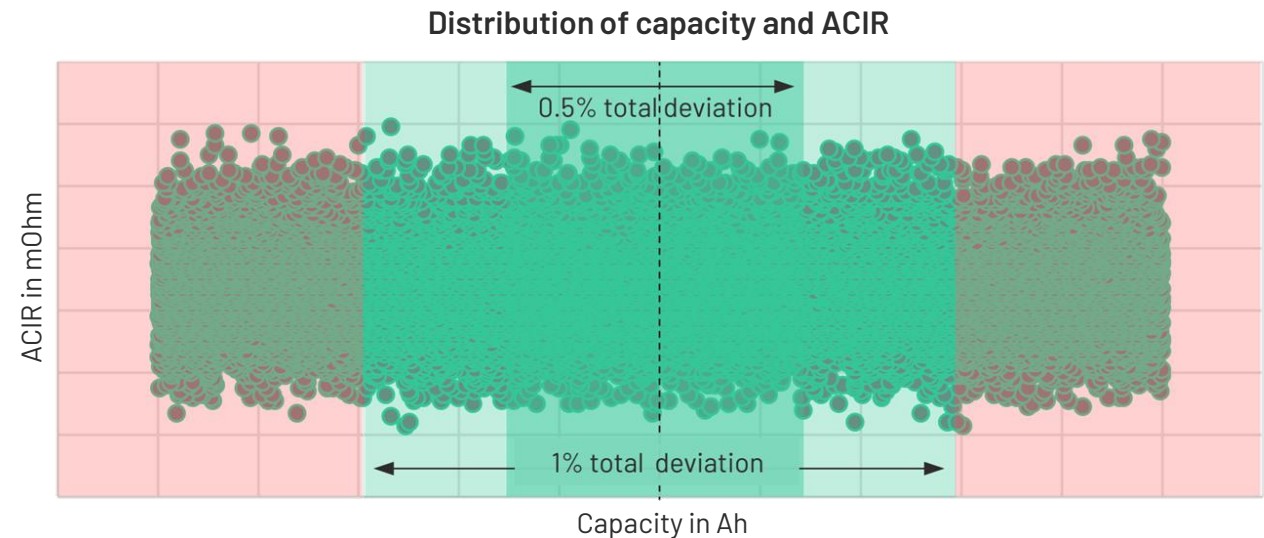
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Analysis

- Capacity analysis spec: $\leq 1\%$ spread
- Result: only 57% of cells in range

Solution

- Customer claimed additional cell batches and re-grouping of cells.



REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES: COMMISSIONING

Cell quality differences lead to inhomogeneous system performance and missed site capacity and power targets during commissioning.

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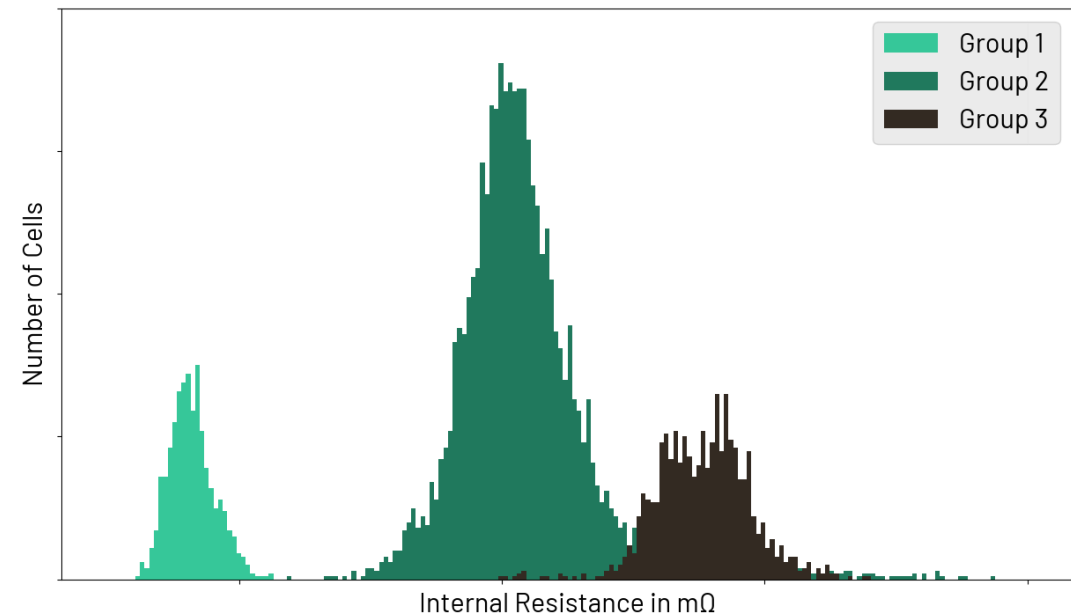
Analysis

- The data showed batteries from three distinct production batches. There was a >30% internal resistance spread between batches.
- This dramatic difference in quality leads to imbalance and accelerated aging.

Solution

- The EPC added more containers worth >\$5m to reach the specified capacity and power

Unacceptable distribution of battery properties



REAL-WORLD EXAMPLES: OPERATIONS

Incorrect SOC calculations lead to mismanagement of target SOC and permanent unused potential of 21 MWh on site level.

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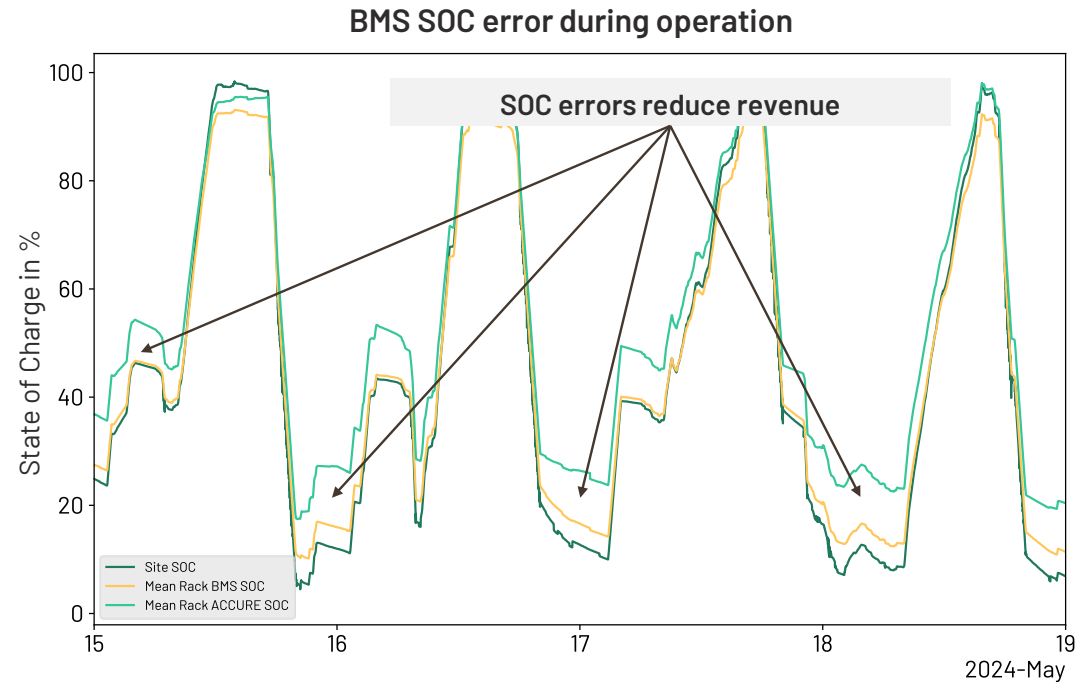
Operations

Analysis

- An LFP-based BESS showed persistent SOC errors leading to 21 MWh of stranded energy

Solution

- Targeted calibration and strategic cycling recovered 8 MWh
- Automated SOC correction will unlock additional 10-13 MWh



OTHER RISKS IN EARLY PHASES OF BESS PROJECTS

Risks and challenges continued: Many other topics need to be considered in the early phases of a BESS project to ensure maximized revenue streams.

Data logging

- Define how missed data is handled
- Set reasonable data requirements



Data ownership

- Own and control system data
- Ensure full lifecycle access



SOC accuracy guarantee

- Push for SOC accuracy guarantees
- Avoid restrictive conditions



Maintenance

- Require preventative not reactive
- Approve timing around revenue spikes



Performance guarantee

- Demand clear testable terms
- Align with your use case
- Include flexibility

Liquidated damages (LDs)

- Define LDs tightly
- Watch for caps and carve outs

Balancing definition

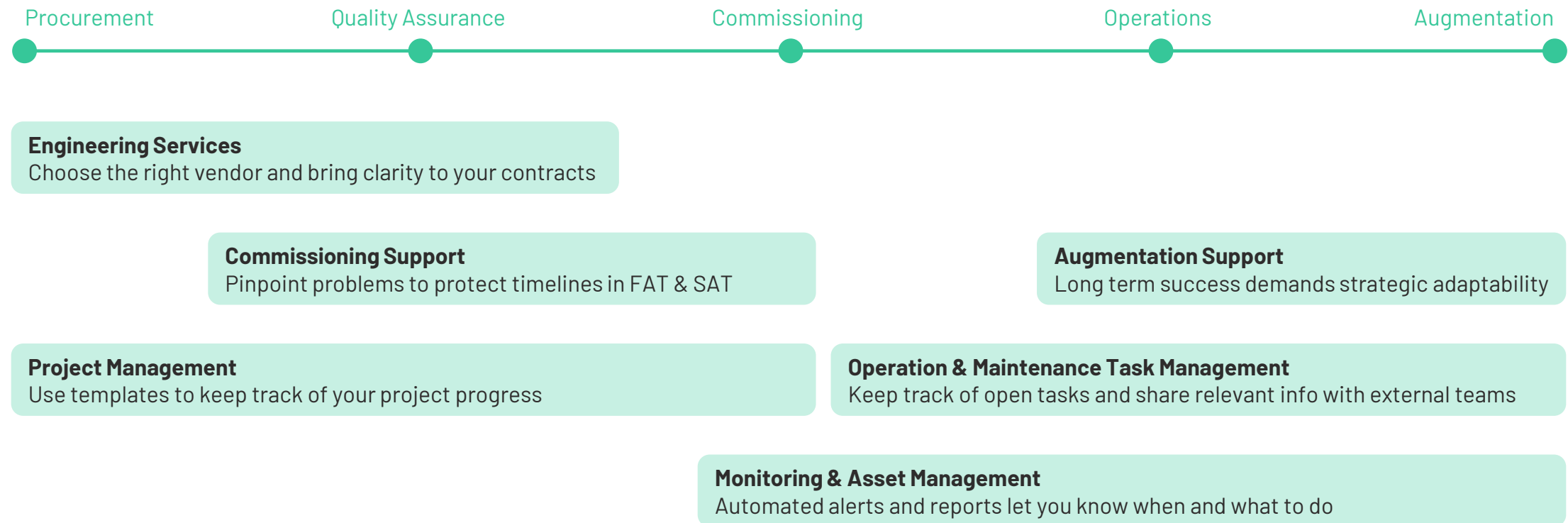
- Insist on clear balancing procedures
- Define how balancing impacts availability and performance tests

Many, many more...

- Cell grading/batching
- Deductibles
- Reporting rates
- Excuse events
- Etc.

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