



# 45 KWH LFP Whole House UPS

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# Whole House UPS

- Or – How to spend money with dubious return
- Sturgeon's Law\* – 90% of Everything is Crap

\*Theodore Sturgeon (1918-1985) - Science Fiction, Fantasy and Horror Author





# Agenda

- Concept / Requirements
- NEC / UL Standards that are applicable
- Project Timeline
- Inverter Types
- Construction photos/details
- LFP battery BMS (Battery Management Systems) settings.
- LFP surge current issues when starting A/C compressors
- Supercap installation / cautions
- Pre-charge circuits
- Operational usage data
- Lessons learned
- LFP battery module design and setup
- Links to good sources of information/ Suppliers

# 45 KWH LFP Whole House UPS Objectives



- Power all house loads from 20kw inverters
- Have 40+ kwhr 48V DC LiFePO4 battery storage system with BMS (battery management system)
- Have optional 10kw Solar arrays
- Have selective load shedding capability to run off-grid
- Control and monitoring system

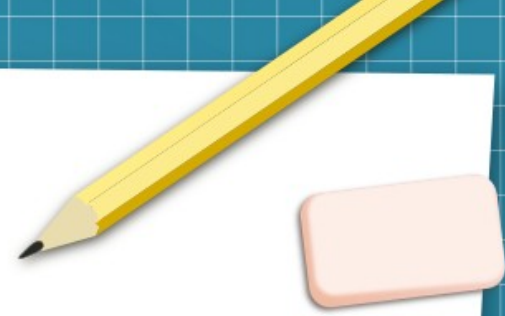


# Initial Naive Assumptions



- Batteries under 60 volts DC are Class 2 and the code doesn't really care about them – **FALSE** – Class 2 is under 100VA power and batteries are now an Energy Storage System. See UL9540
- An LFP battery pack with 400A 52Vdc will be sufficient for the house – **FALSE** – Surge current issues starting motors/compressors
- You can do anything with your house in Texas without inspectors – **FALSE** – what if you ever want to sell the house?
- You can manage the system when you are out of town – Partly **FALSE** – how do you tell the difference between a house power failure and an internet failure?
- Battery packs in parallel just work – **FALSE** – BMS SOC issues
- Salesmen are honest – **FALSE** – by inspection

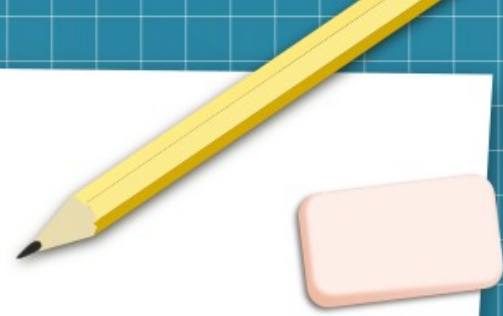
# Standards



- Anti Islanding UL Standard 1741
  - In the event of a power failure on the electric grid, it is required that any independent power-producing inverters attached to the grid turn off in a short period of time. This prevents the DC-to-AC inverters from continuing to feed power into small sections of the grid, known as “islands.” Powered islands present a risk to workers who may expect the area to be unpowered, and they may also damage grid-tied equipment.
- Energy Storage System ESS (>1kwh)
  - NEC Article 706
  - UL Standard 9540
    - <https://www.ul.com/news/ul-9540-energy-storage-system-ess-requirements-evolving-meet-industry-and-regulatory-needs>
    - Certifies a particular lithium battery in combination with a particular inverter brand and type. At the time this is written UL9540 is the Holy Grail of certifications; installing a combo of battery and inverter that is UL9540-listed will give you that magic-carpet-like ride through electrical inspection!
- Stand-Alone Power System NEC Article 710
- Labeling NEC section 690

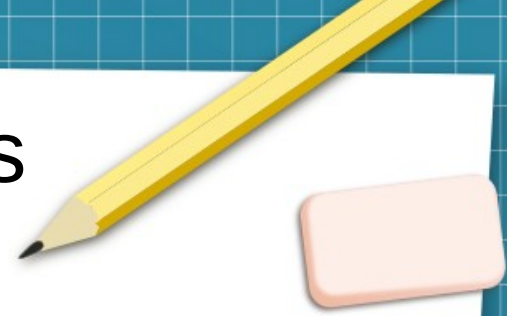
# Project Timeline

- Oct 12 2022 - Sunny Island inverters ordered (x2)
- Oct 16 2022 - SI inverters arrive (x2)
- Oct 18 2022 - LFP Battery order placed
- Jan 4 2023 - LFP batteries arrive
- Jan 2023 - System planning and prototyping
- Feb 17 2023 - Outside entrance work started
- Feb 2 2023 - More SI inverters ordered (+x2)
- Feb 13 2023 - SI inverters arrive (+x2)
- Mid-Apr 2023 - garage wall reinforcement
- Apr 19 2023 - 4x SI inverters mounted
- May 6 2023 - Garage inverter wiring complete
- May 31 2023 - Conduit and wiring runs to service entrance complete
- June 11 2023 - House running off-grid except at night when batteries charge
- July-September 2023 - A/C softstart units installed
- Nov 7 2023 - 1000A shunt installed
- March 2024 - 4 channel, 300A current sense bread board built, measurements taken
- October 2023 - Supercap ordered
- March 2024 - Supercap delivered
- April 2024 - second supercap ordered and received
- May 6 2024 - Switched to TXU Free nights and Solar Days plan



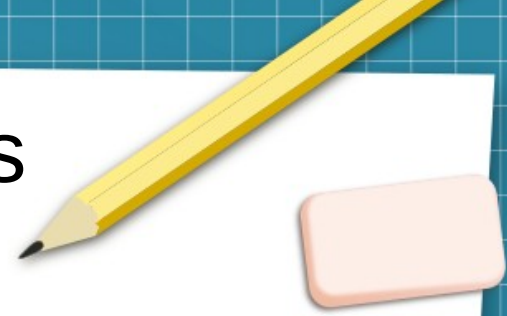


# Inverter Types and Concepts



- Grid-tie vs off-grid vs hybrid inverters
- Importance of anti-islanding capability
- Frequency Shift Power Control in AC coupled systems

# Inverter Types and Concepts



- **Grid-Tied Solar Inverter**

- Grid-tied inverters are permanently connected to the utility grid
- They convert solar-generated DC into AC compatible with the grid's frequency and voltage
- They shut down when the grid goes down to protect grid linemen (anti-islanding)

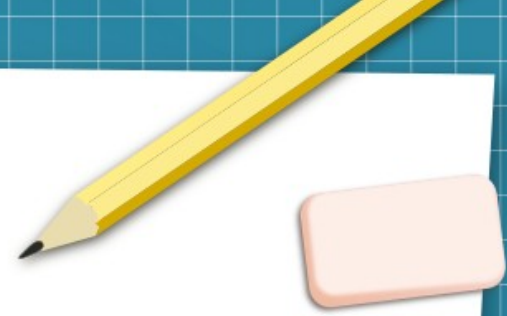
- **Off-Grid Solar Inverters**

- Part of a standalone system, typically paired with battery storage
- Used in remote locations, providing a self-sufficient energy solution

- **Hybrid Solar Inverters**

- Combine the functionalities of grid-tied and off-grid systems
- Feed energy into the grid, store it in batteries, and provide backup power during outages
- Allows energy independence while still being connected to the grid

# Background



- Why SMA inverters?
- AC Coupled Multimode System
  - Best flexibility
- SMA largest Germany Solar Inverter mfg - \$2Bn Sales
  - Known for being bullet proof
- Familiarity with 1<sup>st</sup> Gen capability from startup work in 2010-12
- Visited SMA Germany in Dec 2010



# SMA Current Gen Energy Storage Solutions



Benefits

Components

System details

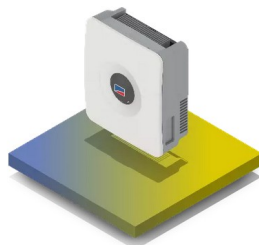
Other solutions

Next steps



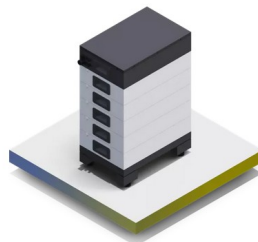
## PV Modules

Optimized for your homes solar power needs



## Sunny Boy Smart Energy

The center of the SMA Home Energy Solution, this groundbreaking [hybrid inverter](#) combines the functions of a PV and battery inverter into a single unit, keeping electrical upgrades to a minimum



## BYD Premium HVL Battery-Box\*

12.0, 16.0, 20.0, 24.0, 28.0, 32.0 (UL9540)  
This BYD battery enables intermediate storage of unused solar energy and makes it available on demand when you need it the most.

\*not sold by SMA

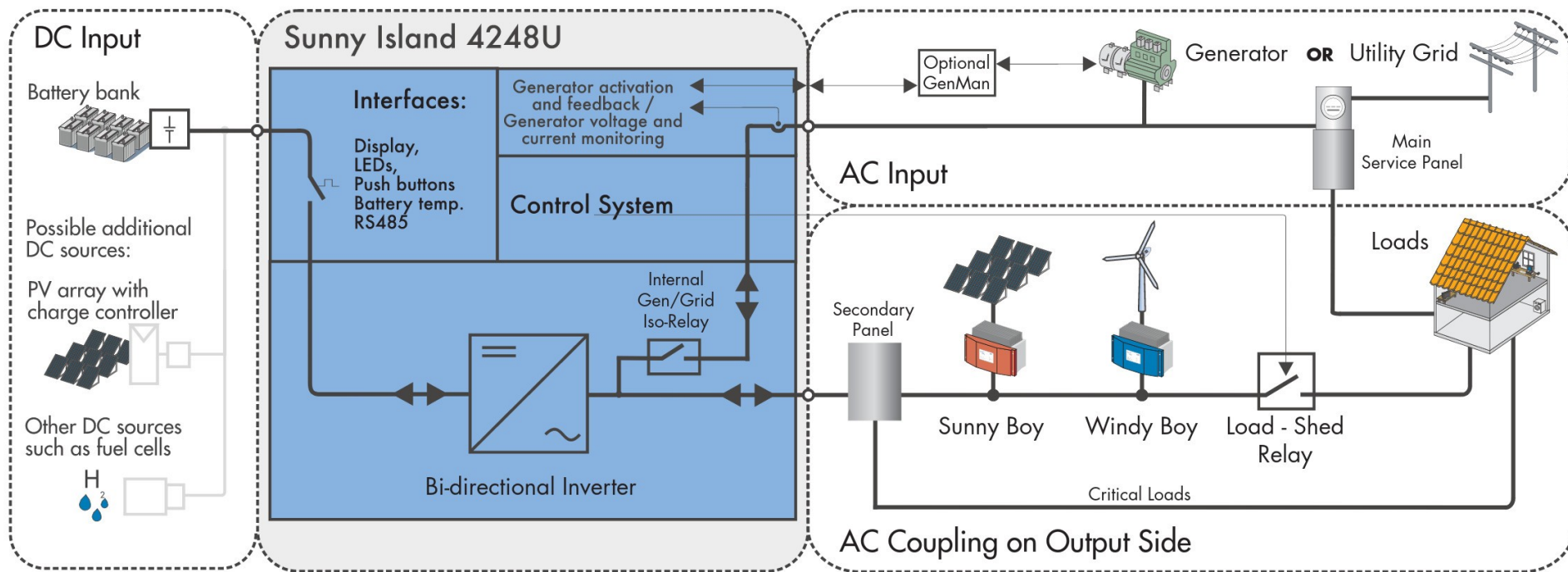


## SMA Energy App

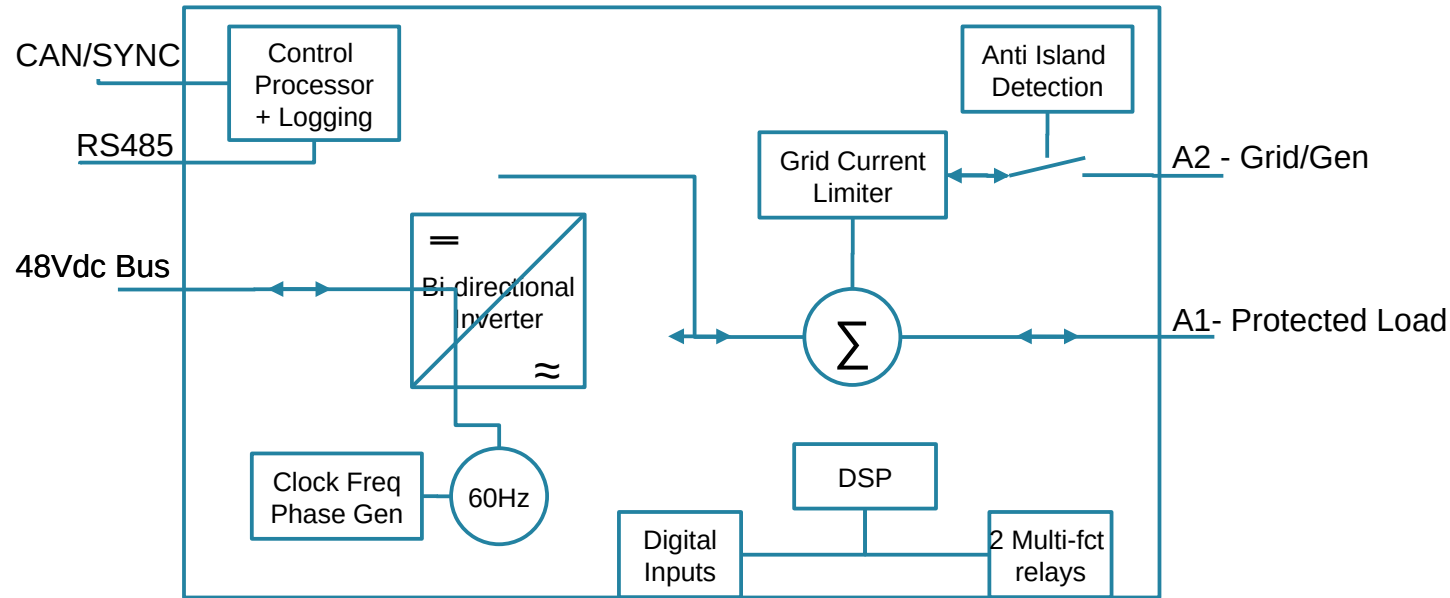
The Energy app will give you the most important information about your energy system including production and consumption

[Learn more](#) →

# 1<sup>st</sup> Gen SMA System Capabilities



# Sunny Island Notional Block Diagram

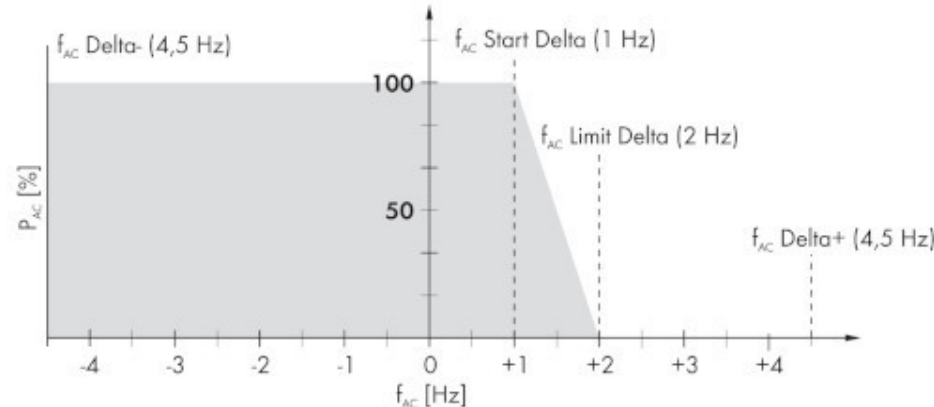




# Frequency Shift Power Control



- FSPC allows a Sunny Island inverter to limit power output of Sunny Boy Photovoltaic inverters connected to the AC side
- Needed when Sunny Island battery is fully charged and the (solar) power available from the PV array exceeds the power required by the connected loads
- To prevent the excess energy from overcharging the battery, the Sunny Island changes the frequency the AC output. This frequency adjustment is analyzed by the Sunny Boy.
- As soon as the power frequency increases and exceeds a defined value " $f_{AC}$  Start Delta", the Sunny Boy limits its power accordingly.



## 22.2 Sunny Island 6048-US

Output Data		SI 6048-US-10
Nominal AC voltage (adjustable)	$V_{AC, nom}$	120 V (105 V to 132 V)
Nominal frequency	$f_{nom}$	60 Hz (55 to 65 Hz)
Continuous AC power at 77°F (25°C)	$P_{nom}$	5,750 W
AC power for 30 minutes at 77°F (25°C)	$P_{30min}$	7,000 W
AC power for 1 minute at 77°F (25°C)	$P_{1min}$	8,400 W
AC power for 3 seconds at 77°F (25°C)	$P_{3sec}$	11,000 W
Continuous AC power at 104°F (40°C)	$P_{nom}$	4,700 W
AC power at 104°F (40°C) for 3 hours	$P_{3h}$	5,000 W
Continuous AC power at 122°F (50°C)	$P_{nom}$	3,500 W
Continuous AC power at 140°F (60°C)	$P_{nom}$	2,200 W
Nominal AC current	$I_{AC, nom}$	48.0 A
Maximum current (peak value) for 60 ms	$I_{AC, max}$	180 A
Total harmonic factor of the output voltage	$K_{VAC}$	< 3%
Power factor $\cos \varphi$		-1 to +1

### Input Data

Input voltage (adjustable)	$V_{AC, ext}$	120 V (80 V to 150 V)
Input frequency (adjustable)	$f_{ext}$	60 Hz (54 Hz to 66 Hz)
Maximum AC input current (adjustable)	$I_{AC, ext}$	56 A (0 A to 56 A)
Maximum input power	$P_{AC, ext}$	6.7 kW

### Battery Data

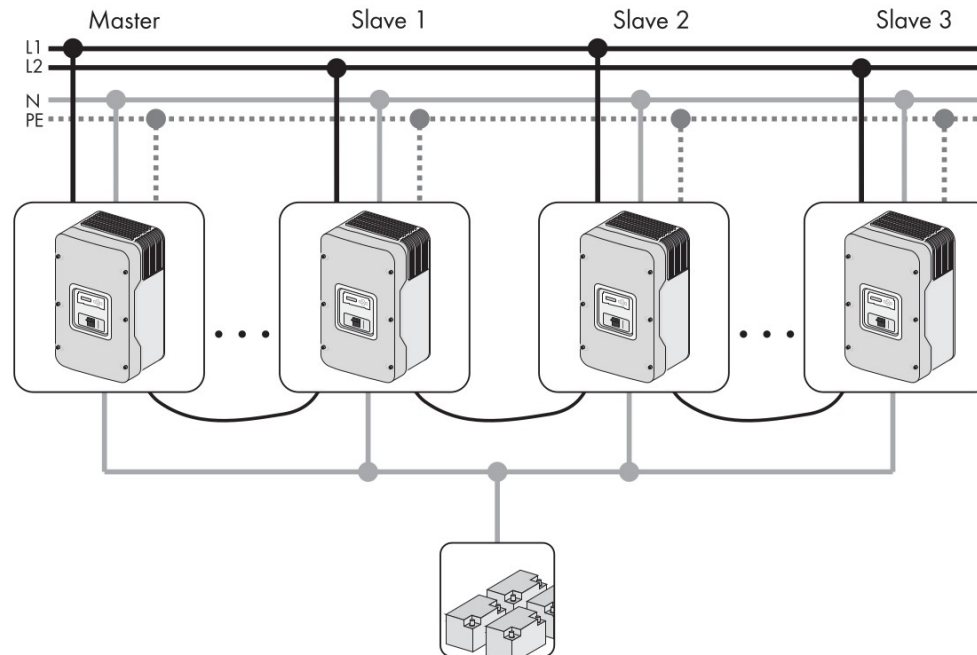
Battery voltage (range)	$V_{Bat, nom}$	48 V (41 V to 63 V)
Maximum battery charging current	$I_{Bat, max}$	140 A
Continuous charging current	$I_{Bat, nom}$	110 A
Battery type	Lead-acid battery: VRLA/FLA/ NiCd battery Lithium-ion battery	
Battery capacity for lead-acid batteries and NiCd batteries	$C_{Bat}$	100 Ah to 10,000 Ah
Battery capacity for lithium-ion batteries	$C_{Bat}$	50 Ah to 10,000 Ah



# Configuration Implemented

## Double Split-Phase System, 240 Vac, up to 24 kW

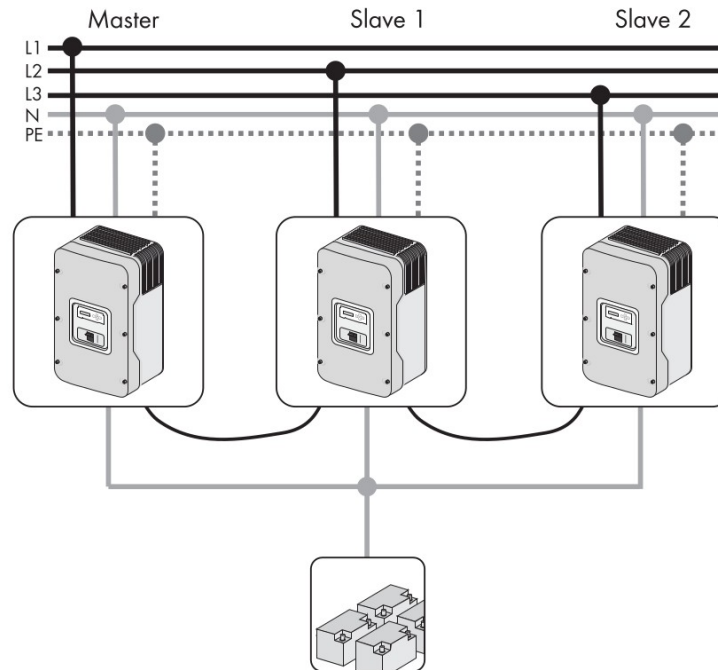
4 Sunny Island of types SI 4548-US-10 / 6048-US-10. Only Sunny Island inverters of the same type must be used on one line conductor. L1 and L2 may be installed with different types (e.g.: L1 with 2 x SI 4548-US-10 und L2 with 2 x SI 6048-US-10).\*



# Interesting 3 Phase Option

**Three-Phase System, 120/208 Vac, up to 18 kW**

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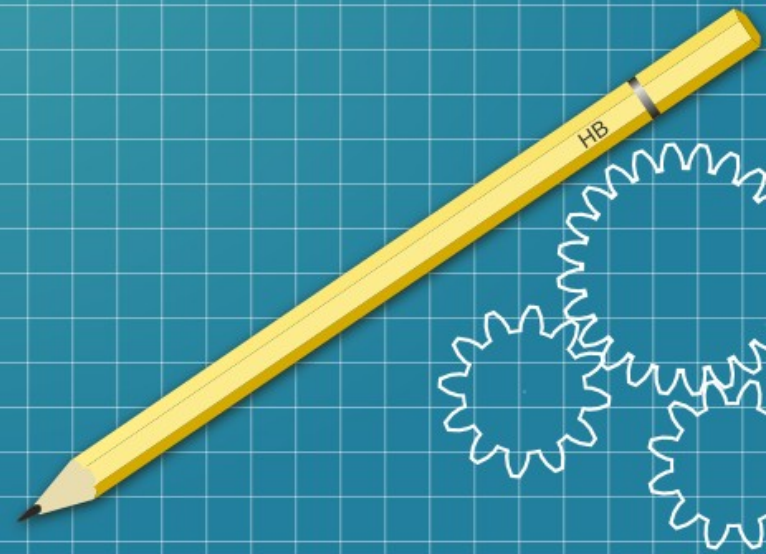




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# Construction



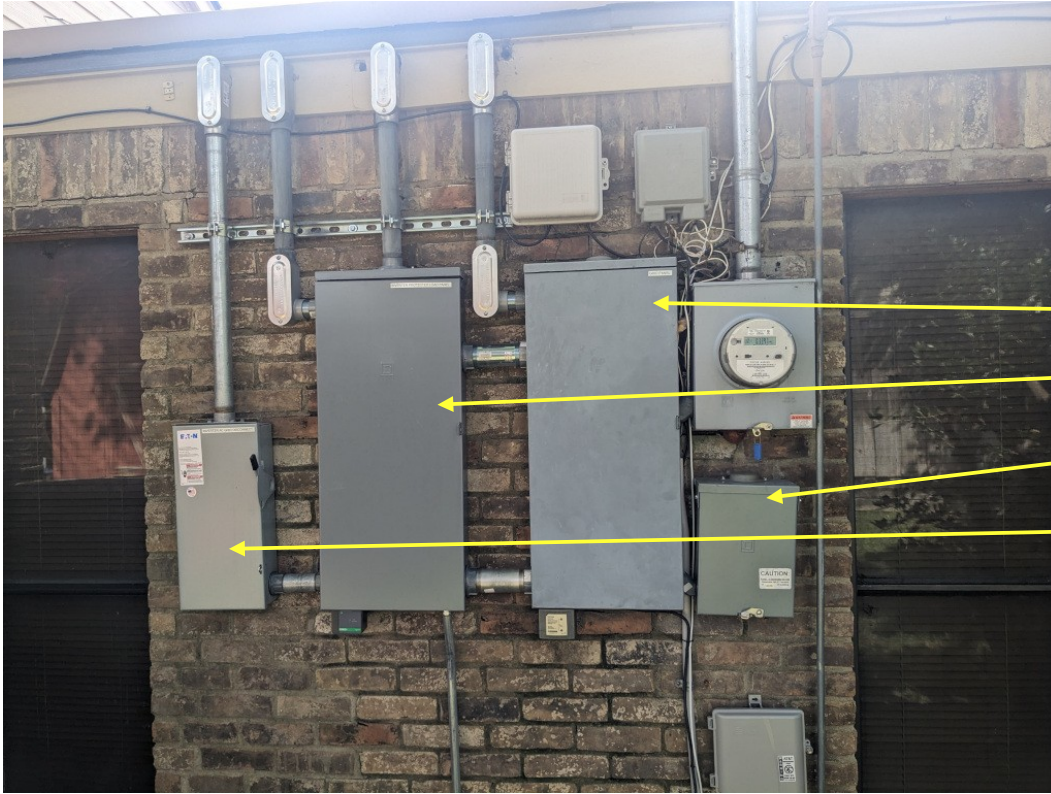


# Original Service Entrance



- 200A Square-D HOM Service
- 2 remote subpanels / conduit
  - Garage
  - Sauna
  - West A/C conduit run
- 30A Manual Xfer Switch (lower right)
- No access to back side of service panel due to fireplace

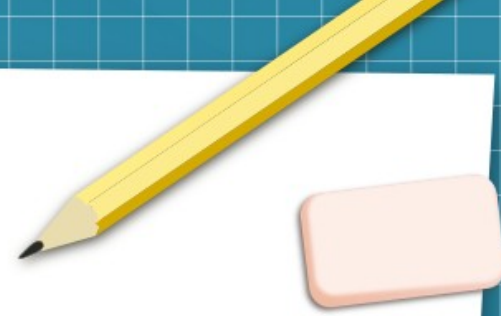
# New Load Panel/ Svc Entrance Installation



- Grid panel
- Inverter House panel
- Gen xfer switch
- Inverter cutoff lockout

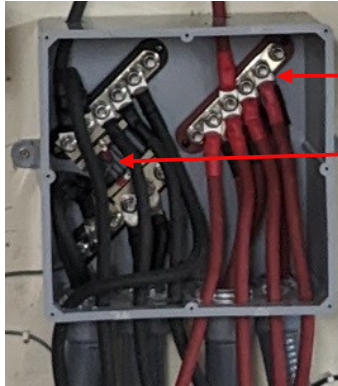
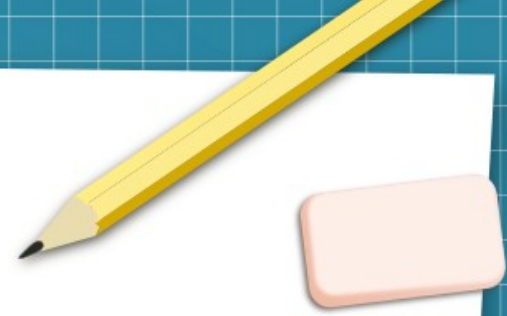


# Garage Installation



- 260F SuperCaps – AC start
- 4x Sunny Island – 2 per phase
- Inverter input breaker
- Pre-Charge circuit
- Inverter output breaker
- DC Bus bars
- ennexOS Datamanager M
- 200A Class T DC fuses
- Lab PS 5A 60Vdc
- 4x 11.6kwh LFP 52v packs

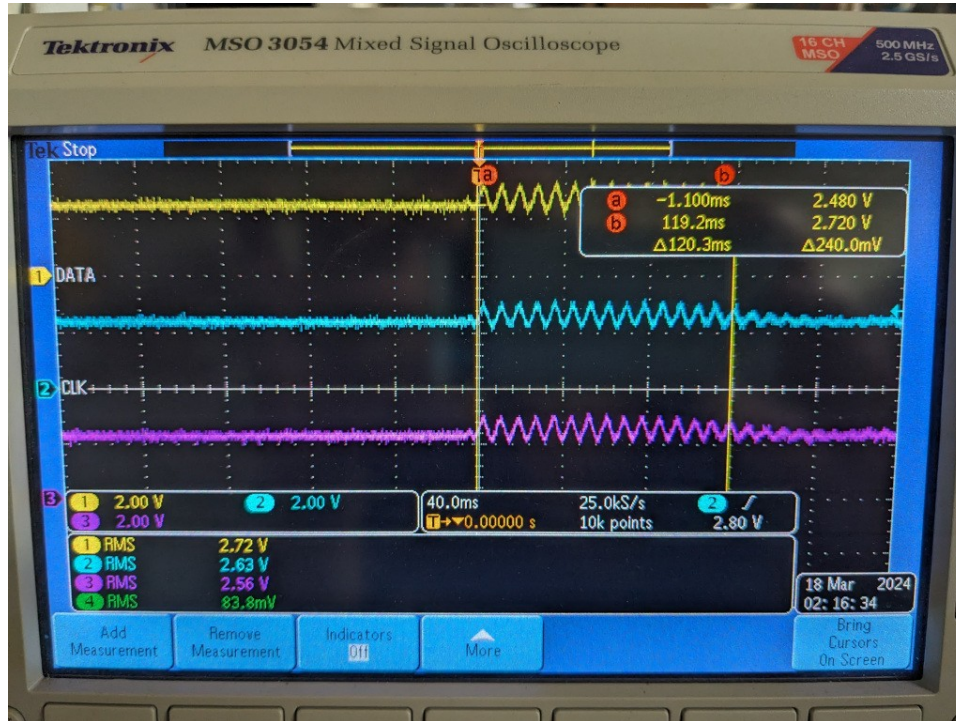
# DC Bus Bar



- 300A Bus Bar
- 1000A Current Shunt
  - SI DC Current Sensor

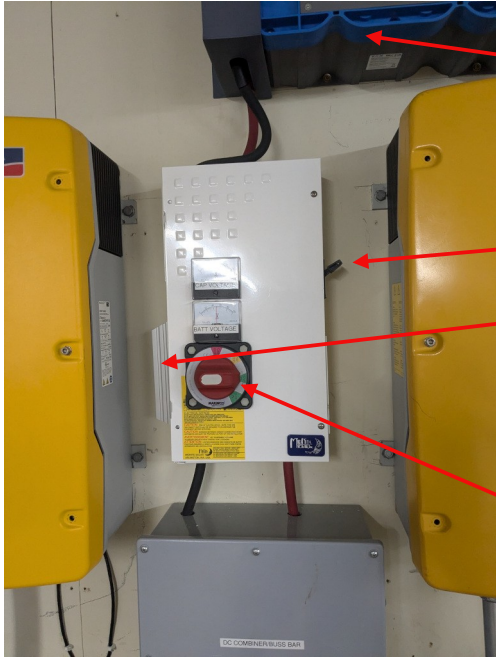


# A/C Surge Current



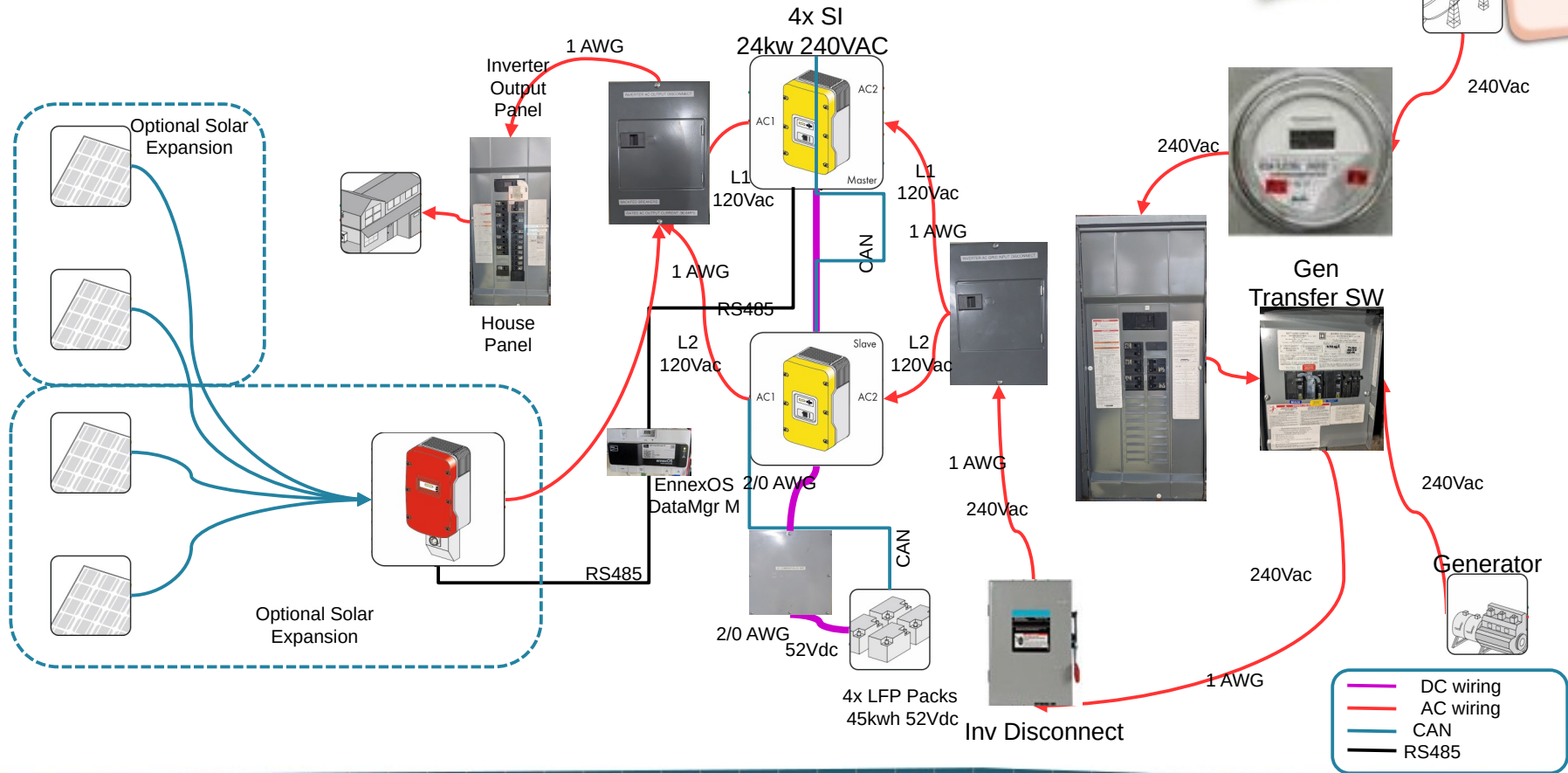
- 120 msec surge 5 Ton Compressor start
- 7-8 60Hz cycles
- 140A 240Vac peak surge
- 650A 52Vdc peak surge
- LFP rated current 100A
  - x4=400A total continuous
- LFP stated surge was 200A/pack
  - BMS limits actually set at 110A for 1 sec

# SuperCap / Precharge



- 2x130F Eaton Supercaps
- 260F is a dead short initially
- DC Breaker - 250A
- 18 $\Omega$  200 Watt Resistor
  - RC=78 minutes
  - ~6 hrs to charge
- Used only if caps need to be removed/reconnected to DC bus
- Switches PreChg res in/out

# System Diagram





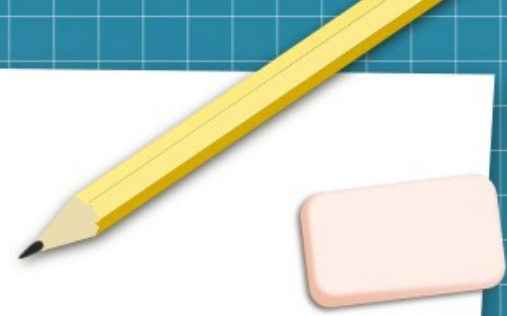
# 4 kw Generator Use May 2024 Power Failure



- 2 Day May 2024 Grid Failure
- UPS kept house up w/ AC
- Used gen during day to charge batteries
- Nights were noise free
- Hosted elderly neighbors
- Gas cost 1.64/kwh
- Run off-grid indefinitely assuming gas stations open



# Attic Conduit Elbows



- 1.5" Rigid Conduit
- 2x90 degree elbows provide 24" rise and turns needed

# Conduit Pipe Threading



- 1.5" Rigid Conduit
- Manual Pipe cutting / threading
- Good workout



# Wiring in Progress



- 1 AWG L1/L2 Wiring
- 2/0 AWG Battery Wiring
- 4" Raceway wiring Channel
- 1.5" Rigid conduit main runs
- 2" EMT Conduit



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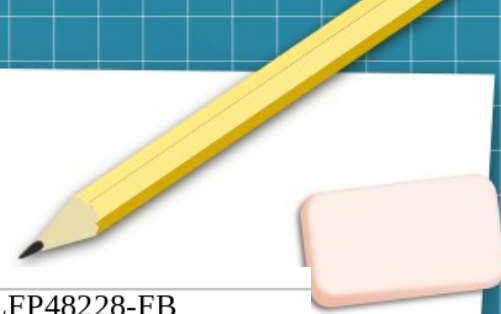




# LFP Batteries

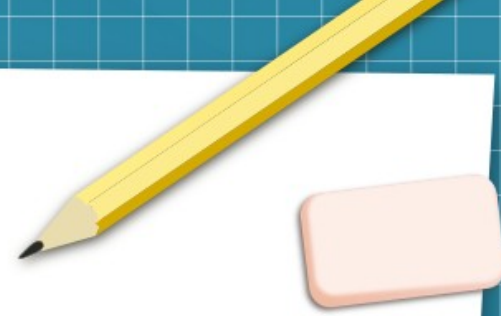
- Lithium iron phosphate ( $\text{LiFePO}_4$ )

# RJ Lithium Battery Specs



Model	RJ-LFP48228-FB
Norminal Power(KWh)	11.6 KWh
Norminal Capacity(Ah)	228Ah
Norminal Voltage(V)	51.2V
Material Type	Lithium Battery (LiFePO4)
Dimensions (mm)	600*302*550mm (Customized)
Weight(Kg)	93 Kg
Discharging Voltage(V)	40~58.4 V
Max Charging	100A
Continuous Discharging (A)	100A
Peak Discharging (A)	200A
Expansibility	116KWh
Installation Methode	Wall / Floor Mounted
Communication Port(Optional)	RS485 / CAN

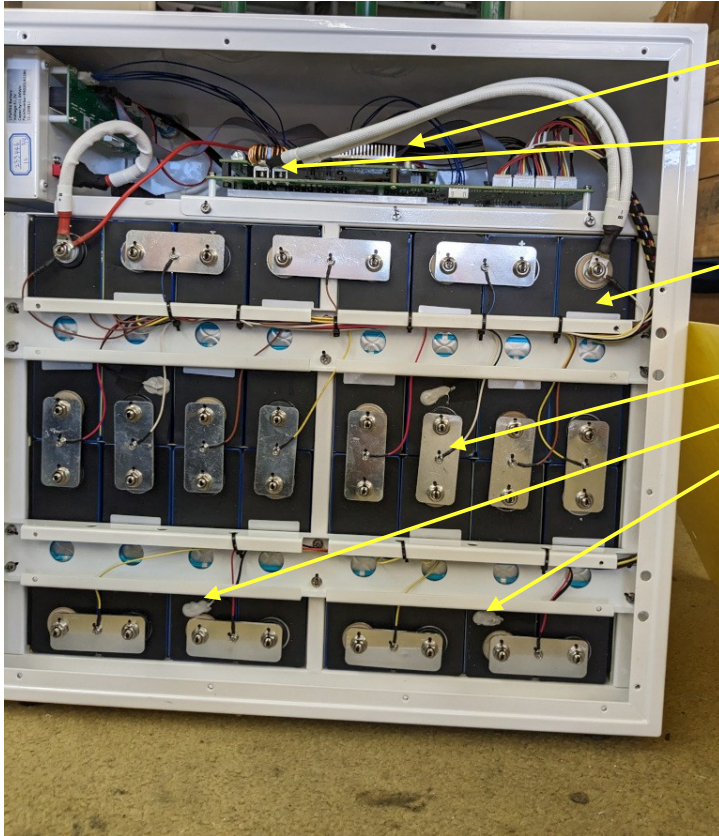
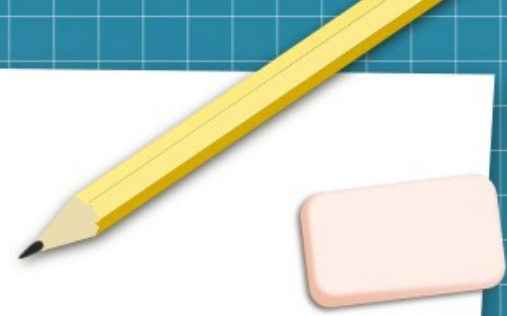
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Working Temperature(°C)	-20~65°C
Humidity	0-95% RH
IP Grade (IP)	0-95% RH
Altitude	≤3000m
Authentication Level	<u>TuV/CE/UN38.3</u>
Inverter	<u>SMA/Deye/Growatt/Schneider/Outback/Victron</u> and so on
Design Life(year)	30+ years
Cycle Life (cycle)	>8000Times (100%DOD)



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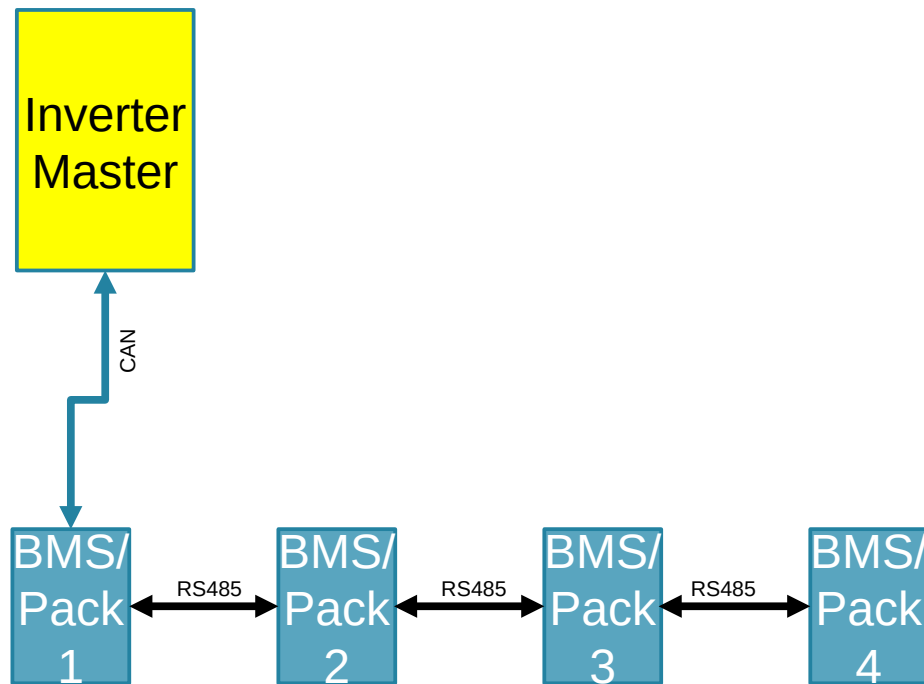


- BMS
- Negative lead safety interruption
- 16 Prismatic LFP cells in Series (16S)
- Voltage sensors for each cell
- Cell Temp Sensors





# Multipack BMS Control Architecture



- Pack 1 is master BMS
- Responsible for Inv CAN Comm
- Consolidates pack status
  - SOC, Alarms, etc
- Coordinates pack cell balancing

— CAN  
— RS485

# BMS Limit Settings

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Realtime Monitoring | Multi Monitoring | Memory Info. | **Parameter Setting** | System Config. | Export Datas

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell OV Alarm(V) 3.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pack OV Alarm(V) 57.60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cell UV Alarm(V) 2.80	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pack UV Alarm(V) 44.80
Cell OV Protect(V) 3.70	Pack OV Protect(V) 58.40	Cell UV Protect(V) 2.70	Pack UV Protect(V) 43.20
Cell OVP Release(V) 3.38	Pack OVP Release(V) 54.00	Cell UVP Release(V) 2.95	Pack UVP Release(V) 47.20
Cell OVP Delay Time(mS) 1000	Pack OVP Delay Time(mS) 1000	Cell UVP Delay Time(mS) 1000	Pack UVP Delay Time(mS) 1000
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CHG OC Protect(A) 110	CHG OT Protect(°C) 65	CHG UT Protect(°C) -5	MOS OT Protect(°C) 115
CHG OCP Delay Time(mS) 1000	CHG OTP Release(°C) 55	CHG UTP Release(°C) 0	MOS OTP Release(°C) 85
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DSG OC 1 Protect(A) 110	DSG OT Protect(°C) 70	DSG UT Protect(°C) -20	ENV UT Protect(°C) -20
DSG OCP 1 Delay Time(mS) 1000	DSG OTP Release(°C) 60	DSG UTP Release(°C) -15	ENV UTP Release(°C) -15
DSG OC 2 Protect(A) 150	Balance Threshold(V) 3.50	Pack FullCharge Voltage(V) 56.00	ENV OT Alarm(°C) 65
DSG OCP 2 Delay Time(mS) 100	Balance ΔVcell(mV) 30	Pack FullCharge Current(mA) 2000	ENV OT Protect(°C) 75
SCP Delay Time(μS) 300	Sleep Vcell(V) 3.15	SOC Low Alarm(%) 5	ENV OTP Release(°C) 65
	Delay Time(min) 5		

Read All CLS Write All Reset Setting Import Export Set As Default

VER: P16S100A-21001-2.00 | BMS S/N: 210012022700079P | PACK S/N: 9902016228011-220811 | COMM: Normal 08:47:11 2024/10/10 沛城电子

# BMS Pack Status

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Realtime Monitoring

Multi Monitoring

Memory Info.

Parameter Setting

System Config.

Export Datas

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Pack Information

Pack Voltage

54.476

V

Pack Current

-7.00

A

SOC

91

%

SOH

100

%

RemainCapacity

207190

mAH

FullCapacity

228000

mAH

Battery Cycle

30

Temperature

Tcell 1

32.1

℃

Tcell 2

32.0

℃

Tcell 3

32.2

℃

Tcell 4

31.9

℃

MOS\_T

36.7

℃

ENV\_T

34.2

℃

Cell Voltage(mV)

MaxVolt

15

3434

MinVolt

7

3365

VoltDiff

69

Vcell 1

3404

Vcell 2

3427

Vcell 3

3422

Vcell 4

3420

Vcell 5

3399

Vcell 6

3419

Vcell 7

3365

Vcell 8

3382

Vcell 9

3377

Vcell 10

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Vcell 11

3392

Vcell 12

3380

Vcell 13

3416

Vcell 14

3423

Vcell 15

3434

Vcell 16

3406

Serial Port

Port

COM4

Baud Rate

9600

Auto Display

☐

Pack

1

Pack Qty

1

Close

ADDR

1

Interval(S)

1

Try Connect

System Status

CHARGING-ON

☒

CHARGING

☐

CHG-LIMIT-OFF

☐

ACi

☐

DISCHARGING-ON

☒

DISCHARGING

☒

HEATER-OFF

☐

Ful

☐

Alarm Status

None

Protect Status

None

Fault Status

None

Switch Control

CHG Circuit

Close

Sound Alarm

Open

DSG Circuit

Close

LED Alarm

Close

Shutdown

Off

Password

Change

Clear

VER: P16S100A-21001-2.00

BMS S/N: 210012022700079P

PACK S/N: 9902016228011-220811

COMM: Normal

23:18:14

2023/07/22

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# Battery SOC Balancing

## Battery

a few seconds ago



49 %

Battery state of charge

1,600 W  
Discharging power

## Overview

24 Hours  
11.30 kWh  
Discharge

17.10 kWh  
Charge

7 Days  
84.90 kWh  
Discharge

107.90 kWh  
Charge

30 Days  
475.60 kWh  
Discharge

640.00 kWh  
Charge

12 Months  
1,723.10 kWh  
Discharge

2,419.60 kWh  
Charge

Total  
5 Months  
1,723.10 kWh  
Discharge

2,419.60 kWh  
Charge

Currently

Day

Week

Month

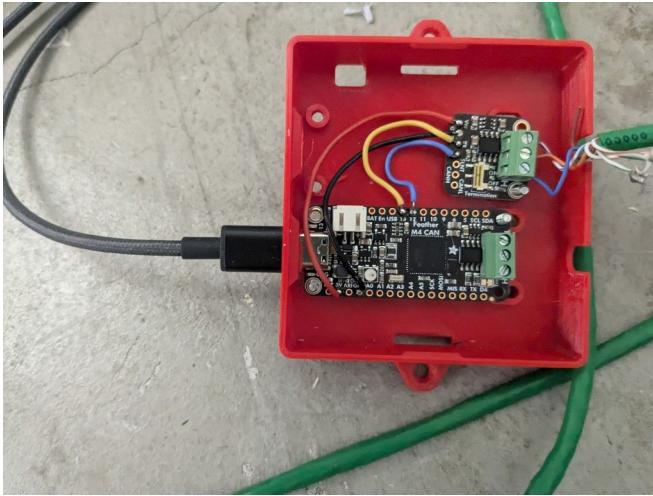
Year

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# CAN Bus Sniffer



- Adafruit Feather M4 CAN
  - Dual CAN bus
- Sniffed CAN-BMS communications
- Plan to modify CAN traffic between BMS and Inverter
  - Copy most of traffic on BMS CAN to Inverter CAN
  - Modify BMS charge current requests

# Sniffer Interrupt Driven Packet Processing

```
static void callBackForStandardSingleFilter (const CANFDMessage & inMessage ) {  
  
    switch (inMessage.id) {  
  
case 0x305:  
    // SI read back Voltage / Current / Temp / SOC - 8 bytes of data  
    // 16 bits, signed int, 2s complement  
    // V in 0.1V, A in 0.1A, T in 0.1C, SOC in 0.1%  
  
    val_unsigned = inMessage.data_s16[0] ;  
    itoa(val_unsigned, si_batt_volts, 10);  
    div10(si_batt_volts);  
  
    val_signed = inMessage.data_s16[1] ;  
    if ( val_signed > 0x7FFF ) val_signed = val_signed - 0x10000;  
    itoa(val_signed, si_batt_current, 10);  
    div10(si_batt_current);  
  
    val_signed = inMessage.data_s16[2] ;  
    if ( val_signed > 0x7FFF ) val_signed = val_signed - 0x10000;  
    itoa(val_signed, si_batt_temp, 10);  
    div10(si_batt_temp);  
  
    val_signed = inMessage.data_s16[3] ;  
    if ( val_signed > 0x7FFF ) val_signed = val_signed - 0x10000;  
    itoa(val_signed, si_batt_soc, 10);  
    div10(si_batt_soc);  
    // print raw values  
    Serial.print("0x "); Serial.print(inMessage.id, HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[0], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[1], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[2], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[3], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[4], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[5], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.print(inMessage.data[6], HEX) ;  
    Serial.print(", ") ; Serial.println(inMessage.data[7], HEX) ;  
    // print interpreted values  
    snprintf_P(msgString,  
                MSG_BUFFER_SIZE,  
                PSTR("ID: 0x305, SI_Volts=%s, SI_Current=%s, SI_Temp=%s, SI_SOC=%s%"),  
                si_batt_volts, si_batt_current, si_batt_temp, si_batt_soc);  
    Serial.println(msgString);  
  
    break;  
  
case 0x306:  
    // SI read back SOH / Charging Proc / SI operation state / SI Error msg / SI batt chg volts  
    // U16 / U8 / U8 / U16 / U16 / U16 / U16
```

- ACANFD\_FeatherM4CAN is a driver for the two CAN modules of the Adafruit Feather M4 CAN microcontroller
- The driver supports many bit rates, as standard 62.5 kbit/s, 125 kbit/s, 250 kbit/s, 500 kbit/s, and 1 Mbit/s.
- Interrupt driven option based on packet id

```

// 0x351:
// Battery charge voltage, charge/discharge current limit - 6 bytes of data
// 16 bits, unsigned int, signed int, signed int
// V in 0.1, A in 0.1
case 0x351:
    val_unsigned = inMessage.data16[0] ;
    itoa(val_unsigned, batt_charge_v, 10);
    div10(batt_charge_v);

    val_signed = inMessage.data_s16[1] ;
    if ( val_signed > 0x7FFF ) val_signed = val_signed - 0x10000;
    itoa(val_signed, batt_charge_a, 10);
    div10(batt_charge_a);

    val_signed = inMessage.data_s16[2] ;
    if ( val_signed > 0x7FFF ) val_signed = val_signed - 0x10000;
    itoa(val_signed, batt_discharge_a, 10);
    div10(batt_discharge_a);

    val_unsigned = inMessage.data16[3] ;
    itoa(val_unsigned, batt_discharge_v, 10);
    div10(batt_discharge_v);

    snprintf_P(msgString,
                MSG_BUFFER_SIZE,
                PSTR("ID: 0x351, ChargeV=%s, ChargeA=%s, DischargeA=%s, DischargeV=%s"),
                batt_charge_v, batt_charge_a, batt_discharge_a, batt_discharge_v);

    Serial.println(msgString);
    break;

```

# SI Inverter-BMS CAN Traffic

Data from external BMS (Orange mandatory values):

Byte	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CAN-ID	0	1	2	3	2	3		
0x351	Battery charge voltage	DC charge current limitation	DC discharge current limitation	discharge voltage				
0x355	SOC value	SOH value	HiResSOC					
0x356	Battery Voltage	Battery Current	Battery Temperature					
0x35A	Alarms			Warnings				
0x35B	Events							
0x35E	Manufacturer-Name-ASCII							
0x35F	Bat-Type	BMS Version	Bat-Capacity	reserved	Manufacturer ID			

For eventual monitoring purposes Sunny Island sends out every second following process values (read only). Note that battery voltage and battery current are Sunny Island measured values.

Byte	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CAN-ID	0	1	2	3	2	3		
0x305	Battery voltage	Battery current	Battery temperature	SOC battery				
0x306	SOH battery	Charging procedure	Operating state	active Error Message	Battery Charge Voltage Set-point			

- SI Operates in closed loop
  - BMS asks for charge current
  - SI attempts to provide requested charging current
  - BMS shuts down inverter on fault conditions
- CAN packet sequence about 1Hz





Questions on this section?



# Very Useful Sunny Island Functions

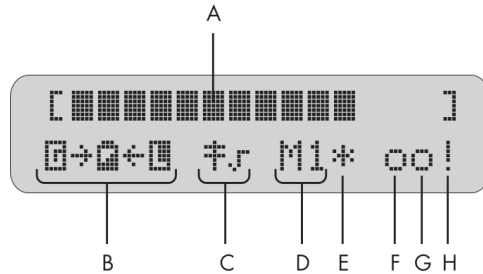
# Master Sunny Island Menu

## 7.1 Display Messages

The display of the Sunny Island has two lines, each with 16 characters.

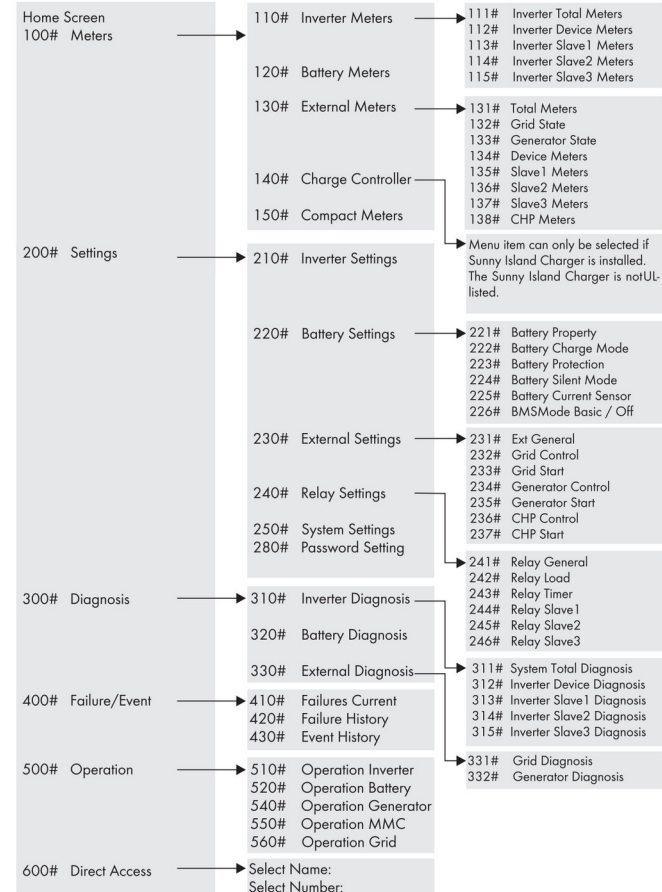
### Meaning of the symbols

Observe the information on the meaning of the individual symbols (see Section 10.6 "Display Messages (Overview)", page 89).



Position	Description
A	Output power/charging power (load status)
B	Direction of energy flow and system status
C	Displays if the Sunny Island loaded parameters for grid operation or parameters for generator operation.
D	Device assignment
E	Status of the external source (asterisk, question mark or exclamation mark)
F	Relay 1 status
G	Relay 2 status
H	Warning message (exclamation mark)

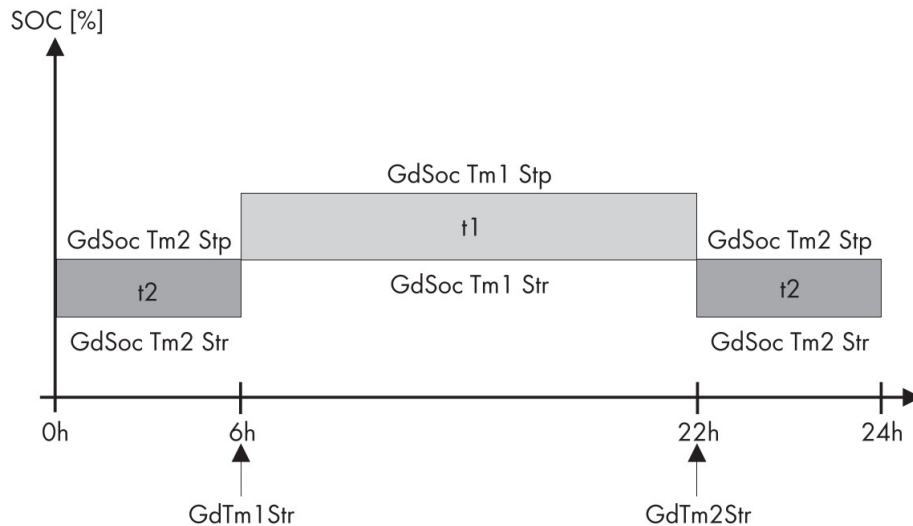
### Overview of the Menu Structure:





# Useful Functions

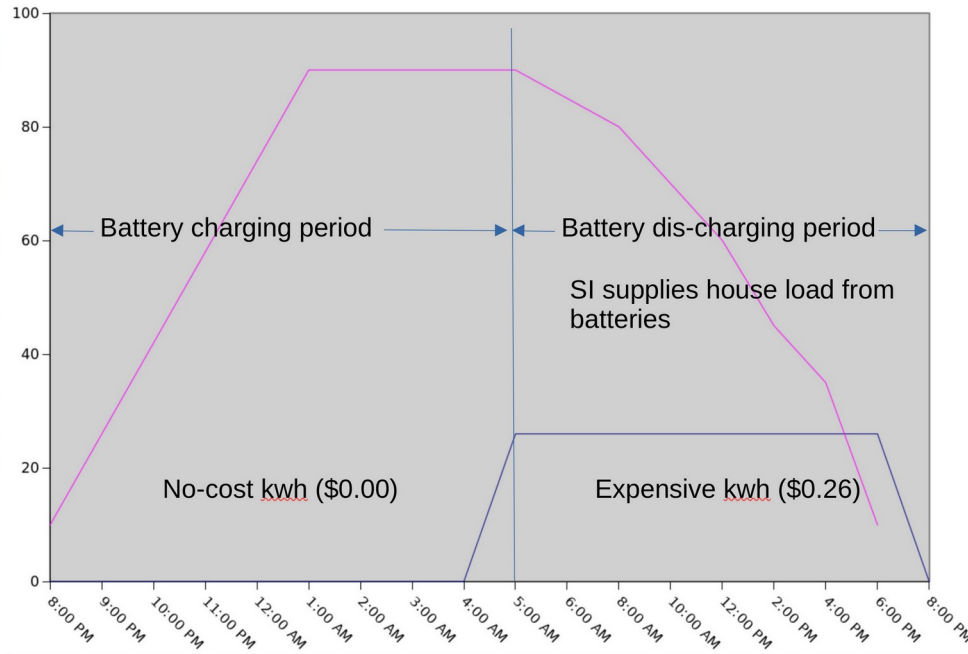
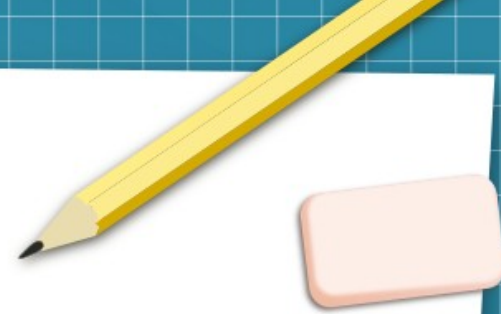
## Time of Day SOC Management



- SI SOC / Time settings

# Useful Functions

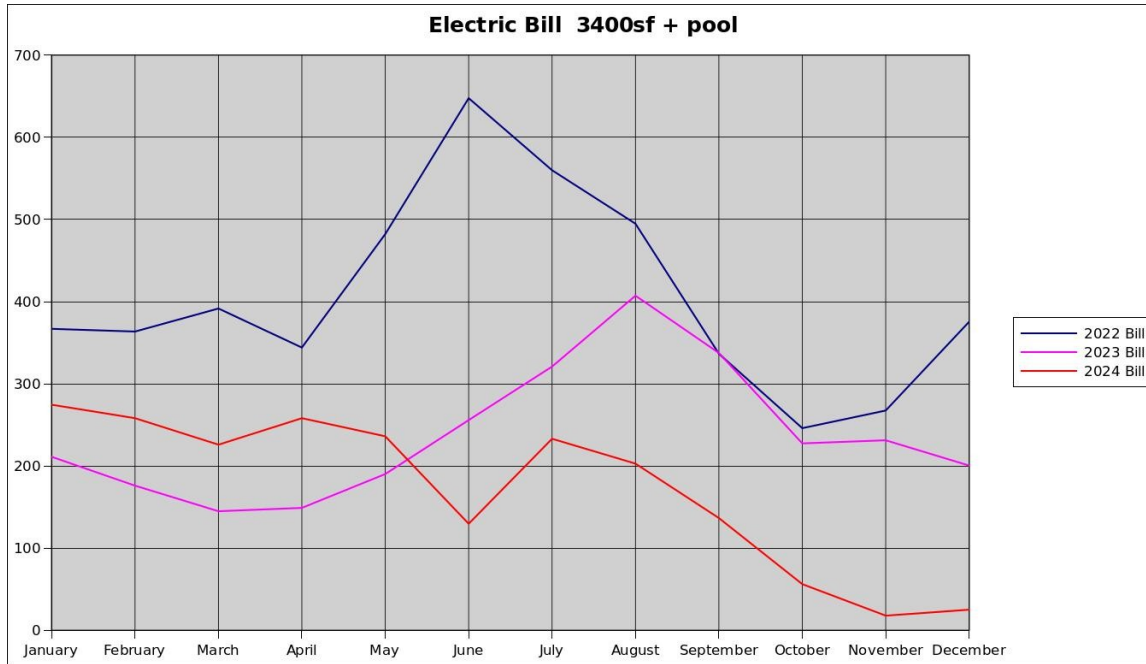
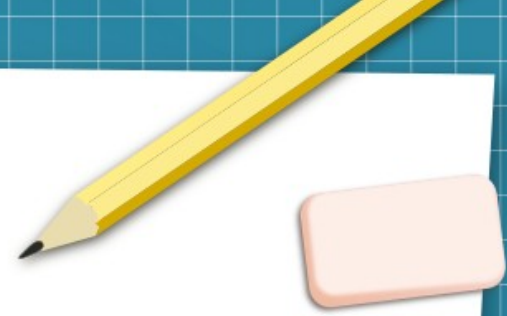
## Time-of-Use Plan Savings



- Grid Load Time Shifting
  - Shift 35 kwh from 8am-5pm to 8pm-5am
- Charge at 9kw starting at 8pm
- Battery charged by 1am or so

# Useful Functions

## Time-of-Use Plan Savings

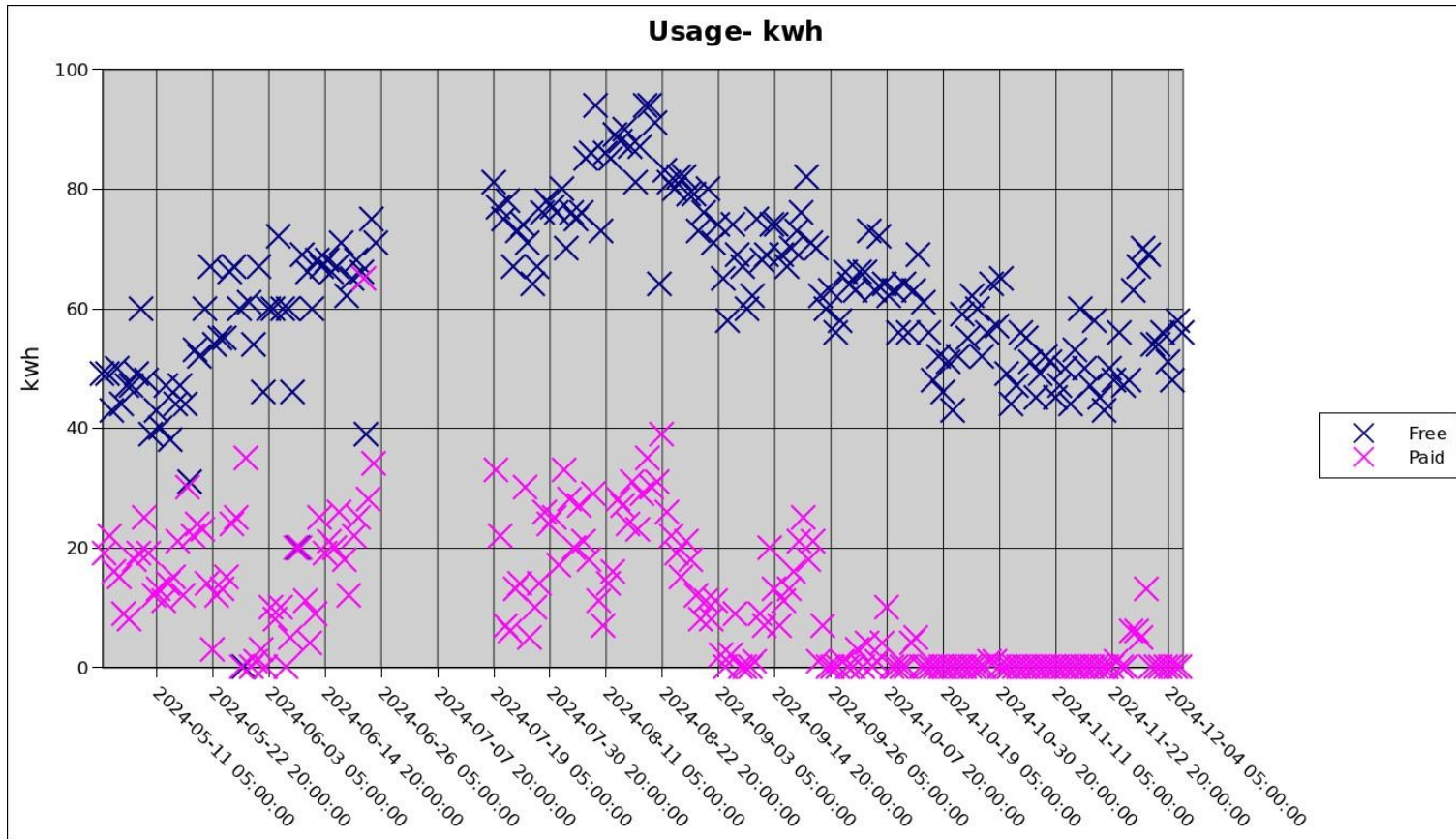


- Started Free Nights and Solar Days May 6 2024
- Saving at least \$200/month over lowest price fixed rate plan
- July 2024 odd month due to home internet failure while in Europe
  - Had neighbor switch house to full time grid



# Useful Functions

## Daily Consumption



# Energy and power - battery

## Battery

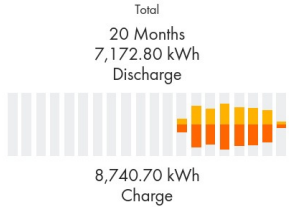
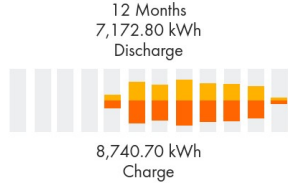
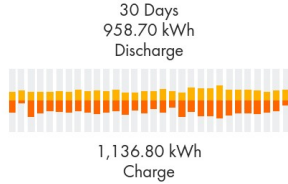
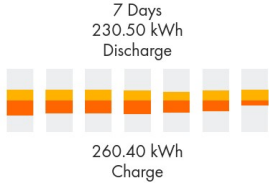
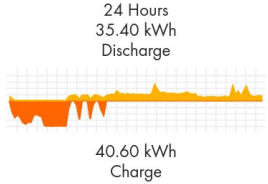
## Overview

a few seconds ago

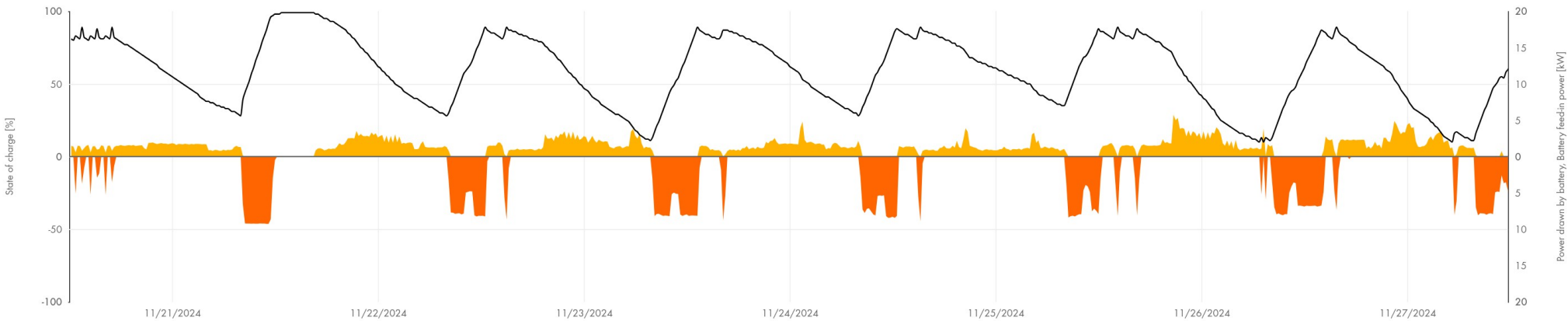
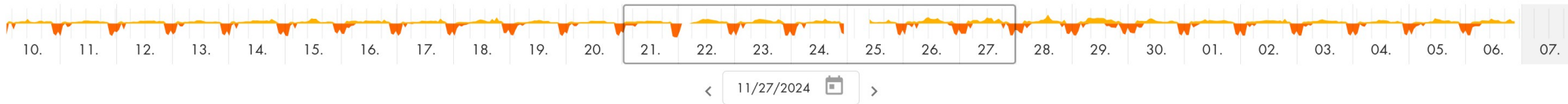


**20%**  
Battery state of charge

**7,600 w**  
Charging power



Currently Day **Week** Month Year Total



# Energy and power - battery

## Battery

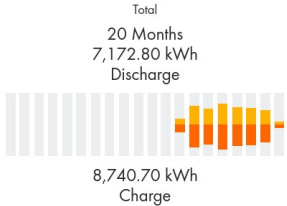
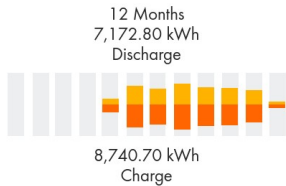
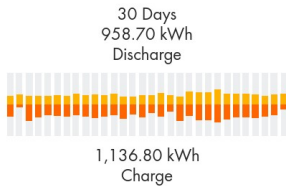
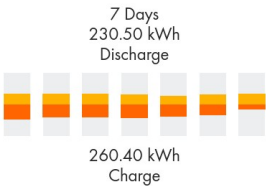
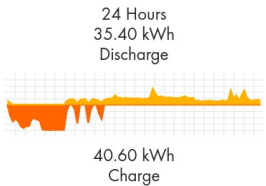
## Overview

a few seconds ago



**20%**  
Battery state of charge

**8,000 w**  
Charging power



Currently

Day

**Week**

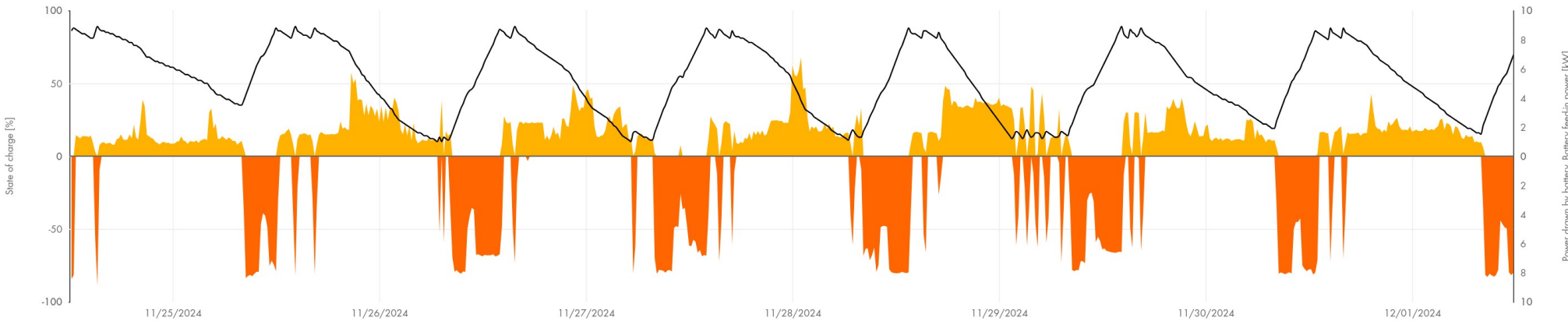
Month

Year

Total



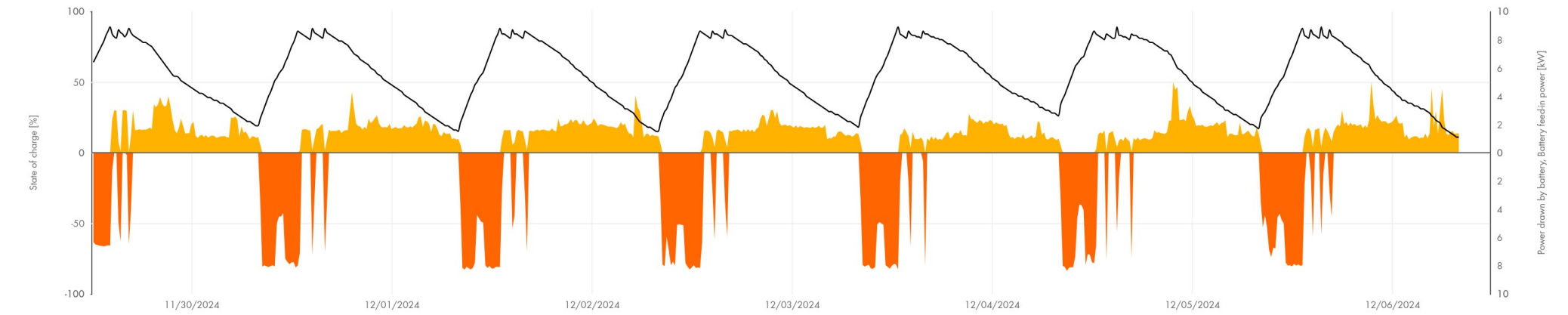
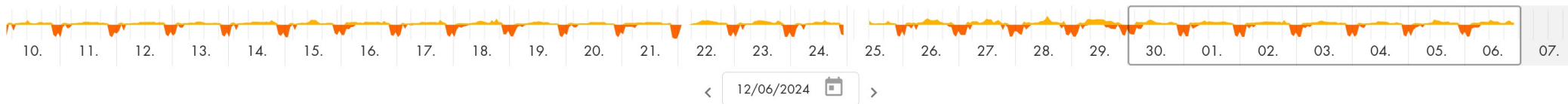
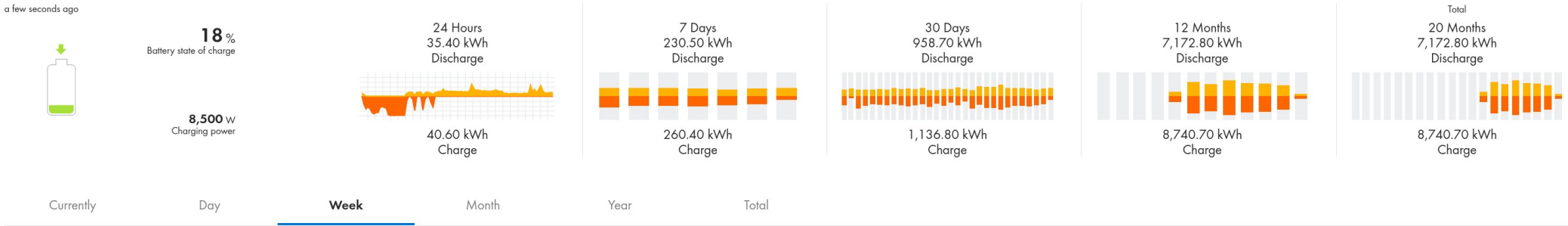
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# Energy and power - battery

## Battery

## Overview

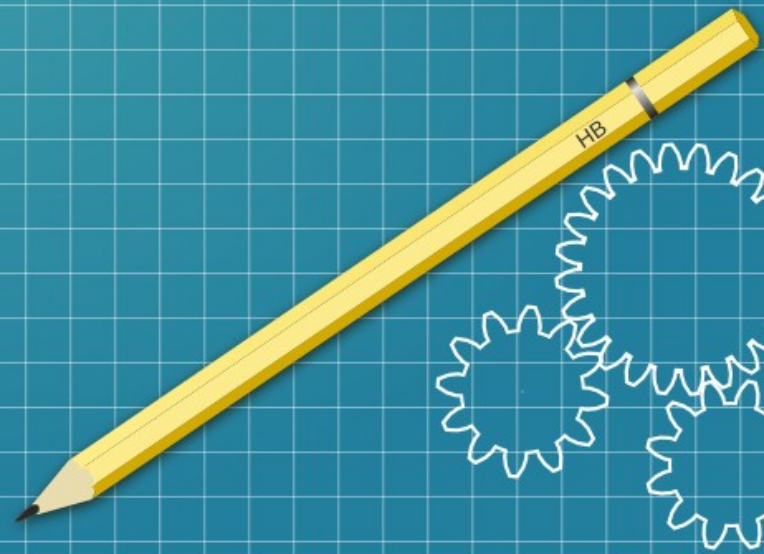






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# Building LFP Modules



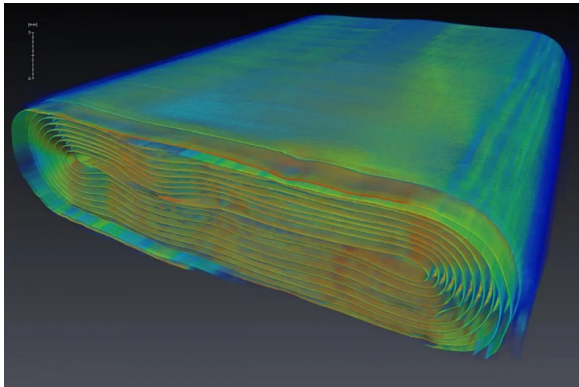
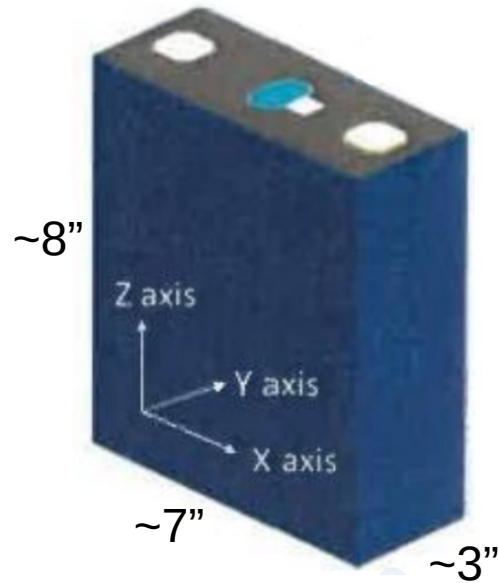
# Building your own LFP battery module

A yellow pencil with a black eraser and a pink eraser are positioned in the top right corner of the slide, appearing to be on a piece of paper.

- Physical Requirements
  - Cell construction
- Safety Requirements
  - BMS options
- Series/Parallel Options
  - Designation
- Cell balancing
  - Initial + ongoing pack balancing



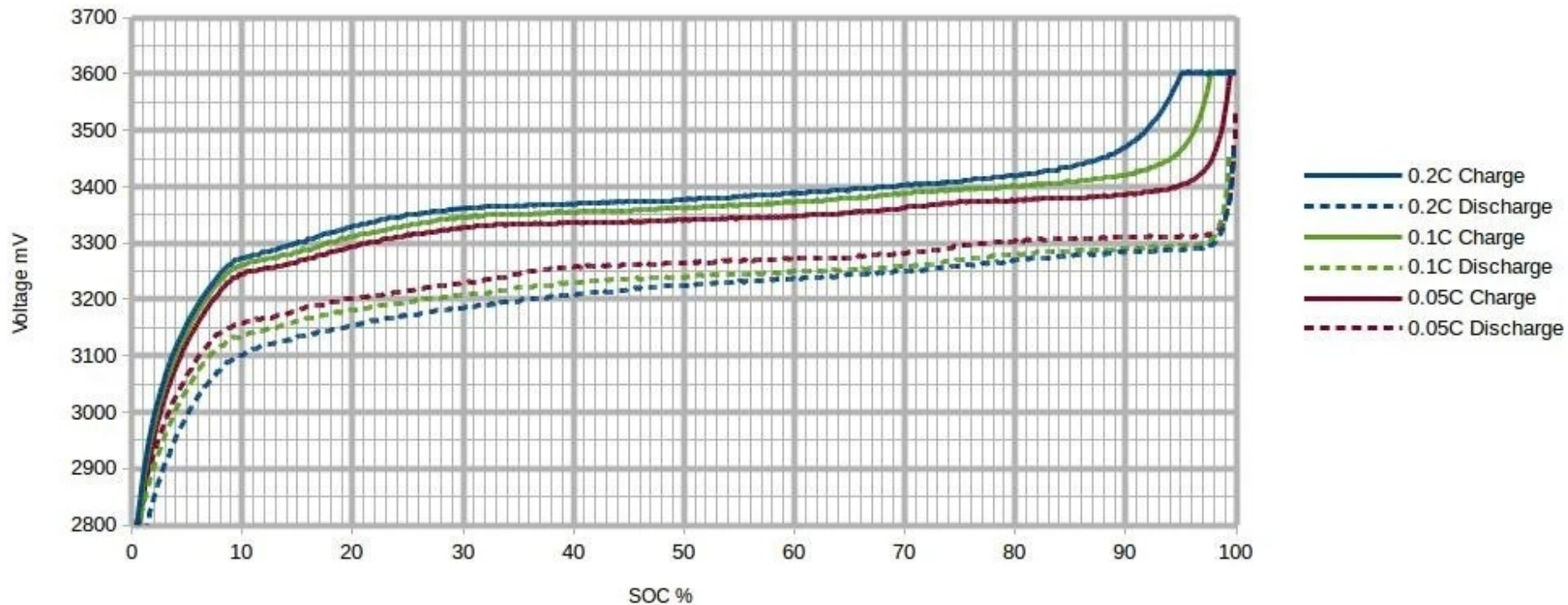
# Prismatic Cell Format



- Rectangular format – “easier packaging”
- 3.2 Vdc nominal cell voltage
- 100 to 340 amp hrs per cell
- 16 cells in series provides about 51.2Vdc
- Must have battery management system (BMS) for safety
- Aluminum cases must be isolated as they only have a thin polyfilm layer

## LFP Charge/Discharge Curves

4 year old Winston 90Ah

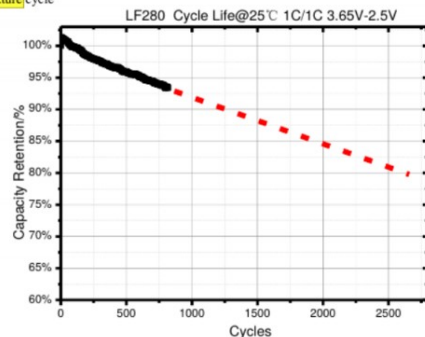


# Prismatic Cell Compression Requirements

File Name	LF280 (3.2V 280Ah) Product Specification	Version	E	Page	9/11
File No.	LF280-72174	Controlled No.			

Fig.3 Cycle performance (1.0 C) curve

3.1 Without Fixture cycle



3.1 Fixture cycle

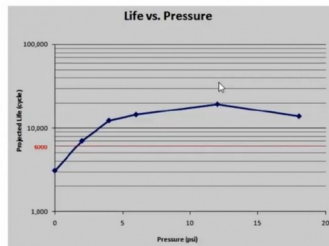
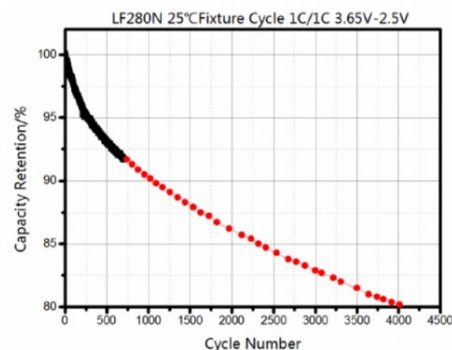
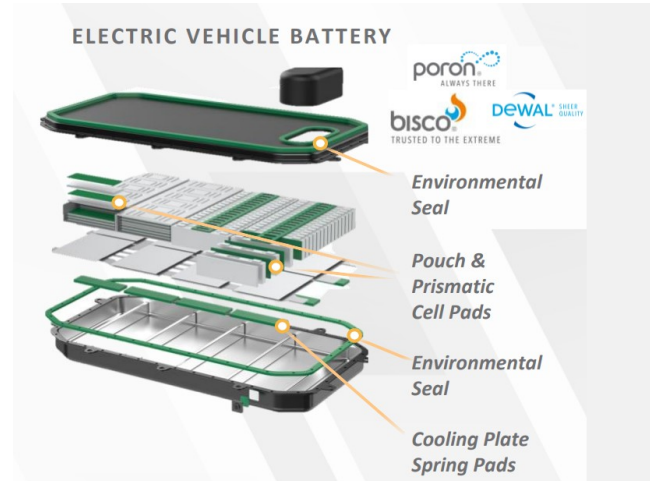
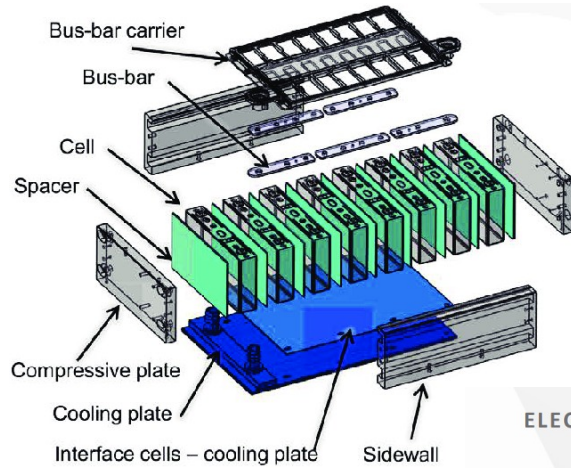


Figure 7 – Cycle life of the cell can be optimized by applying the proper pressure to the face of the cell and maintaining that throughout the life of the cell

- Longevity increases dramatically with adjustable cell compression forces
  - From 2500 to 4000 cycles
- Cells expand/contract about 1mm through chg/dischg cycles
  - Creates bus bar stress issues
- Cells expand as they age
- Cells like about 12psi on Y axis
  - Min 50kgf (2 psi)
  - Max 300kgf (12psi)
- That's about 300 kgf (660 lbs) compression over 7x8"
- And – it needs to be adaptive

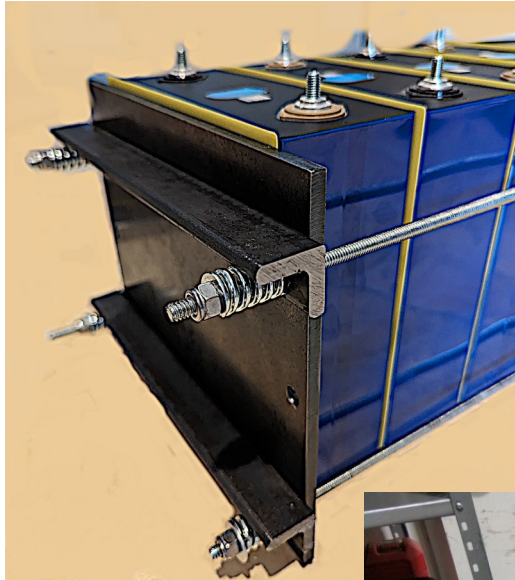


# Cell Compression Schemes



- Need to minimize cell terminal movement with SOC and age while keeping pressure about 12psi
- EV module makers using compression foam between cells
- Spring pads to maintain pressure?
- Rogers Poron EV Extend
  - e.g. 4701-43

# Home Brew Compression Schemes



- Wide variety of schemes
- Trend away from springs by using compression foam
- Or – don't worry about cycle life







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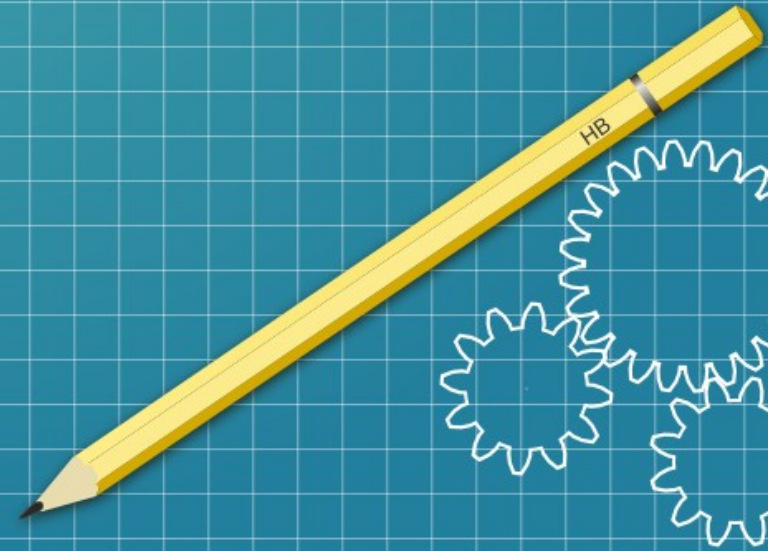
# Useful Links



- <https://www.ul.com/news/ul-9540-energy-storage-system-ess-requirements-evolving-meet-industry-and-regulatory-needs>
- <https://diysolarforum.com/>
- <https://www.solacity.com/how-to-keep-lifepo4-lithium-ion-batteries-happy/>



# Misc Planning Info



# System Diagram

