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Battery Thermal Modelling and Selection Methodology

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Company overview

Standardized Power Systems

- 12kWp Solar, 30kWh lithium battery backup, overhead grid to +/-150 homes, schools and businesses
- 7 grids installed and operational in Zambia
- > 900 home and business connections

Precise Demand Side Control and Monitoring

- Smart meter enabling affordable energy service based billing
- Utilize 90% of potential energy production

Localized Capacity

- 11 female microgrid manager agents reselling Powertime subscriptions
- Regional technicians to be able to perform routine maintenance and unscheduled service to grids, reducing opex



Battery considerations

Price - When comparing usable kWh

Performance

- Efficiency
- Portability
- Data logging

Longevity

- Cycles vs Capacity
- Heat tolerance

Supplier track record

- Warranty terms
- Ability to back said warranty

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NREL Engagement

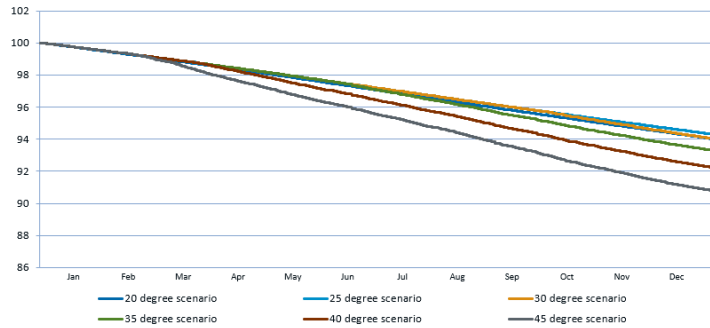
Conducted a study with NREL through 2018 as part of a wider engagement

1. Assess temperature impacts on battery degradation using NREL SAM
2. Thermal modelling to predict temperatures based on
 1. Ambient temperatures (20 – 45 degrees C)
 2. Structure
 3. Ventilation
 4. Active/passive cooling


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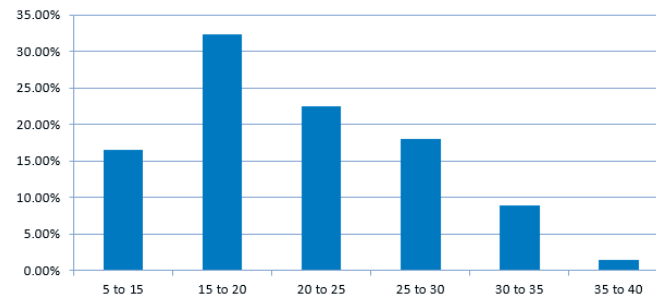
Impacts on Battery Degradation



Battery life over 12 months with static temperature

	20° C	25° C	30° C	35° C	40° C	45° C
90%	1.62	1.68	1.60	1.46	1.30	1.10
80%	3.06	3.09	2.96	2.77	2.54	2.26
70%	4.27	4.33	4.20	3.97	3.68	3.34
60%	5.45	5.48	5.35	5.09	4.76	4.37
50%	6.70	6.63	6.49	6.20	5.83	5.39

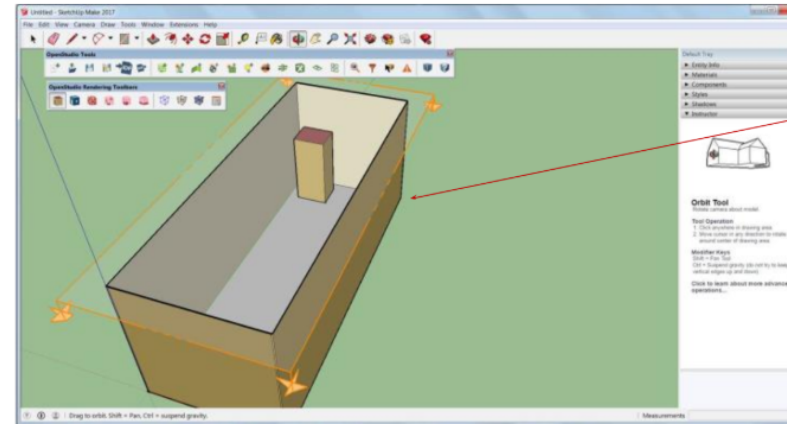
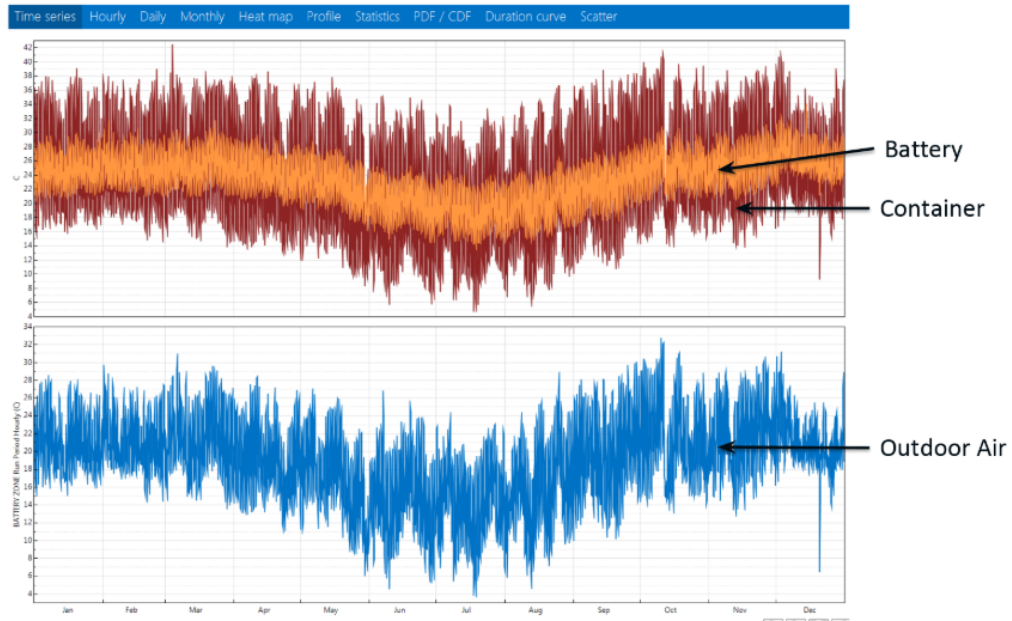
Matrix showing years to usable capacity at various temperatures



Histogram of hours at various temperatures (Lusaka)



Thermal modelling



Two Zone
Shipping
Container Painted
White and
uninsulated



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Thermal modelling cont.

Structure and shading model provided in Sketchup

Reported on the average space temperature throughout the year for various combinations of fans/AC/passive

Interesting results to note:

- For Lusaka, none of the fan sizes were able to keep the container below 35 C during all parts of the year
- The shade device has a substantial impact on the ability of the fans to keep the container within setpoint
- 450 CFM fans would lead to 14 hours of temperatures exceeding 42 degrees, and in those cases, only with an average of 0.5 degrees in excess of 42.

Settled on 2 x 350 CFM fans, both dispatchable at customizable temperature set points

Typically one runs during daylight hours, the other when temperatures >30 degrees C



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