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Ac coupling control strategy

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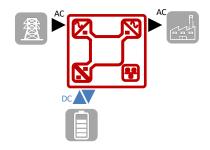
Supporting the grid

30Y preserving the LOAD



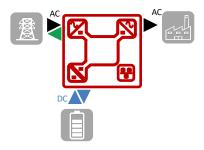
OPPORTUNITIES of the Energy Transition FUTURE in grid stability

Converter



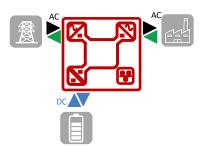
UPS/Backup

C&I Storage



Flexibility

Virtual Power Plant



Grid Interaction

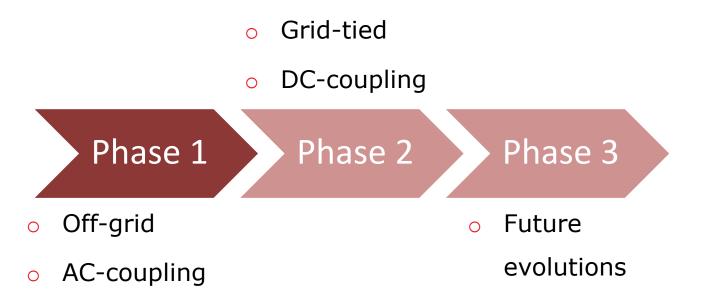


PV production is an intermittent renewable source which can be recycled





How do we plan to recycle energy from PV with Sierra?

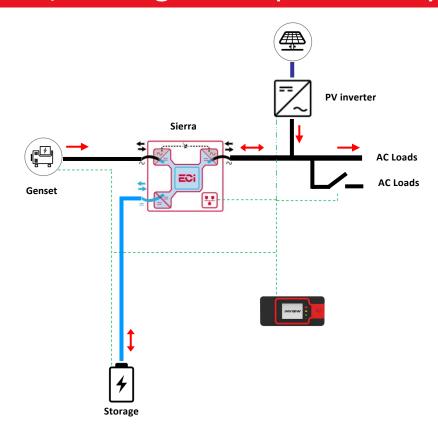




PHASE 1 OFF-GRID & AC-COUPLING



Off-grid & AC-coupling set up: PV inverter, storage and potentially a genset





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AC coupling

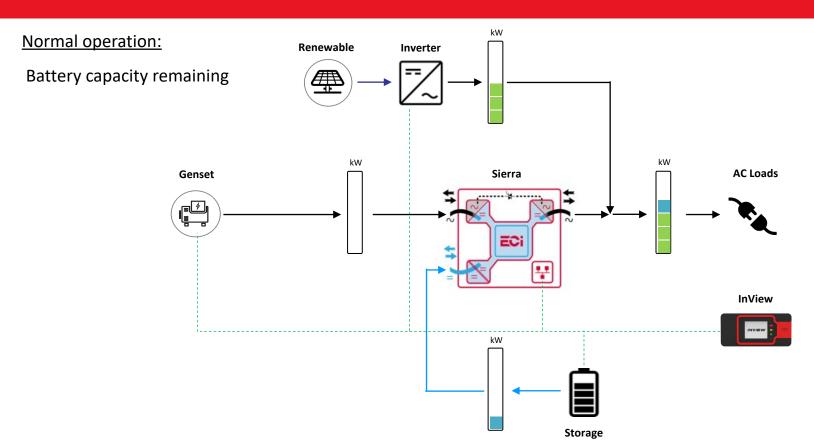
= when your PV converters are connected to the AC out of your installation

Why using it?

- Higher efficiency when used to power AC loads during the day (less conversions)
- Generally lower installation costs for larger systems
- Use the existing infrastructure (brown field)
- Large choices and possibilities of integration

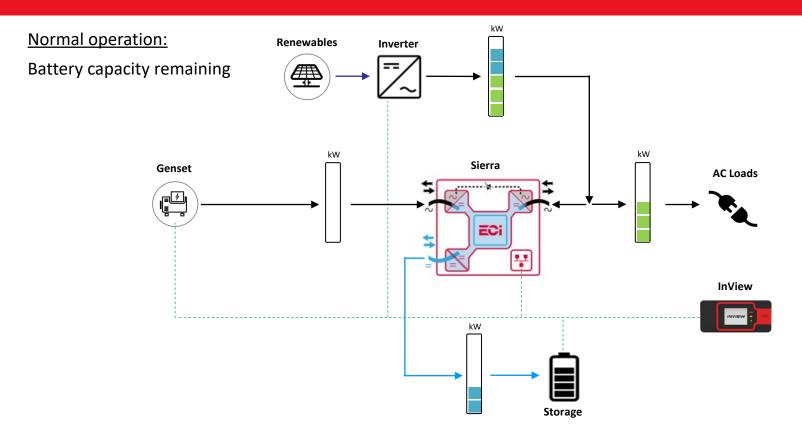


Lack of PV production wrt the loads, the battery discharges



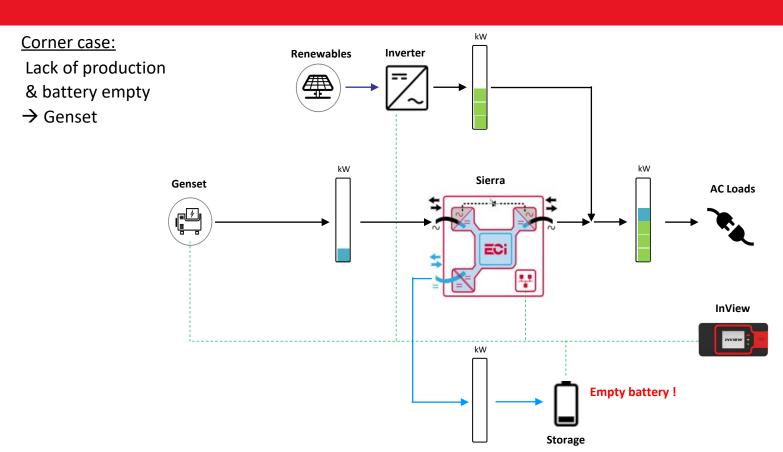


Excess of PV production wrt the loads, the battery charges





Lack of PV production wrt to loads with genset connected



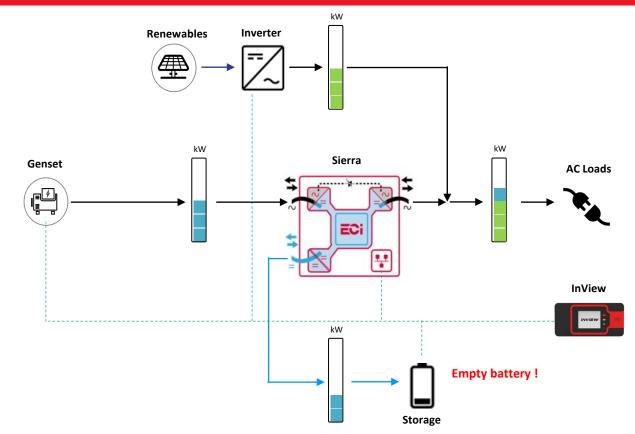


Lack of PV production wrt to loads with genset connected and the battery recharging

Corner case:

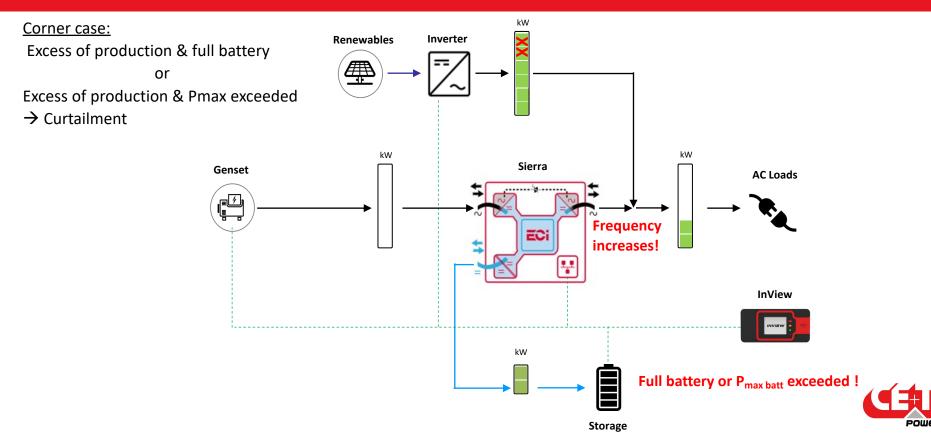
Lack of production

- & battery empty
- → Genset

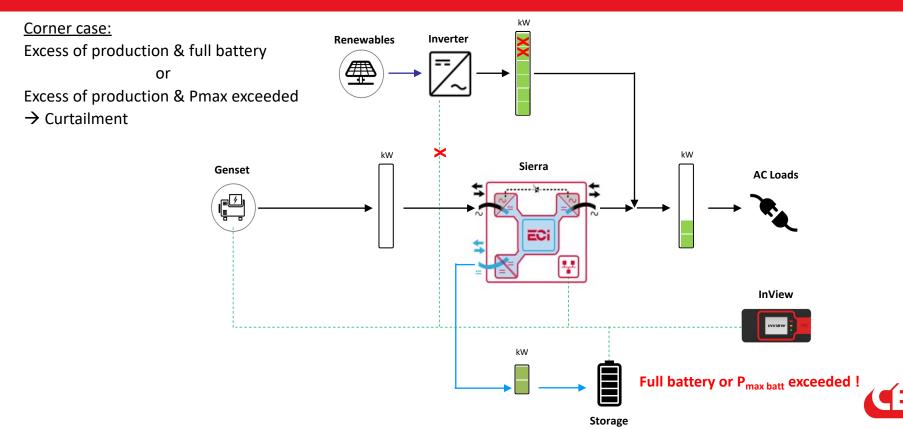




Excess of PV production wrt loads and battery full: PV production is curtailed by **frequency control**



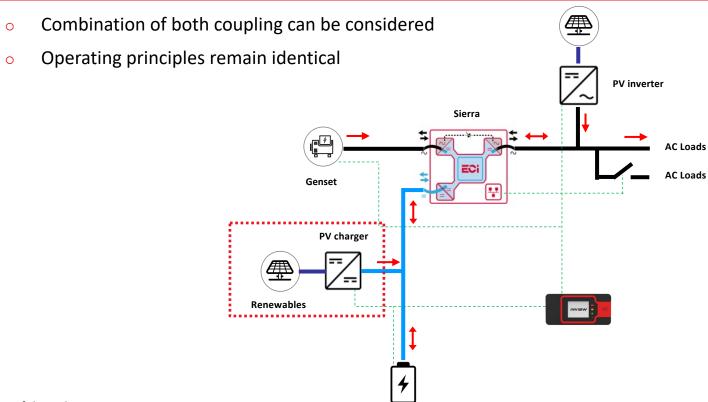
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PHASE 2 GRID-TIED & DC-COUPLING



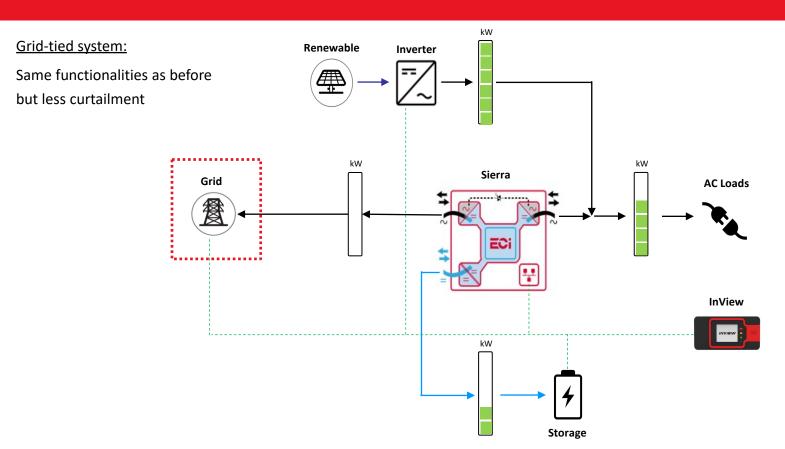
DC-coupling to recharge battery directly from DC side



Storage



Excess of PV production can be sent to the grid to avoid curtailment





Grid-tied - Curtailment

Grid injection may be:

- Prohibited
- Allowed
- Allowed with limited power

Curtailment strategy:

- Not necessary if grid injection is allowed without restriction (excess injection)
- Requires grid disconnection if grid injection is prohibited or if power limitation is exceeded
 - o Use frequency shift to manage battery charging, as for off-grid, once grid disconnected
 - Means loss of exported power when above limit, w/ possible work-around (later step):
 - Adding "independent" inverters to reinject according to limit (but extra HW)
 - Improved control of PV inverter (communication or source "shedding") to control reinjection & avoid disconnection
 - Attention: Transition required, to re-synch in case of sudden battery loss

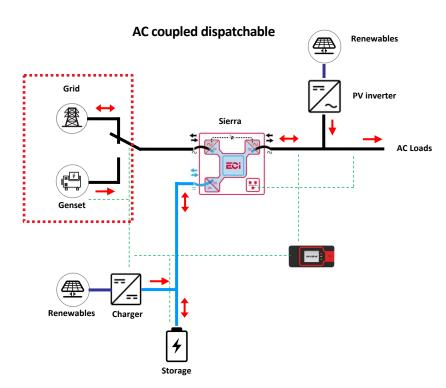


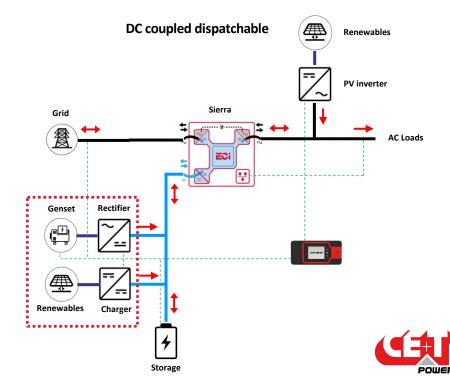
PHASE 3 FURTHER CONFIGURATIONS



Renewable and dispatchable energy sources can be both AC or DC-coupled

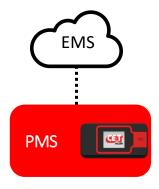
Basic operating principles remain identical





Additional functionalities

- Grid connection = Increased range of possibilities:
 - Auto consumption maximization
 - Power capping
 - Energy arbitrage (Time of use)
 - Grid injection
 - Grid services
 - Islanding mode
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- Possibility to combine different functions to stack revenues/improve efficiency
- Static (PMS) or dynamic (EMS) rules/control
- Increased role for EMS



DEMO INSIGHT



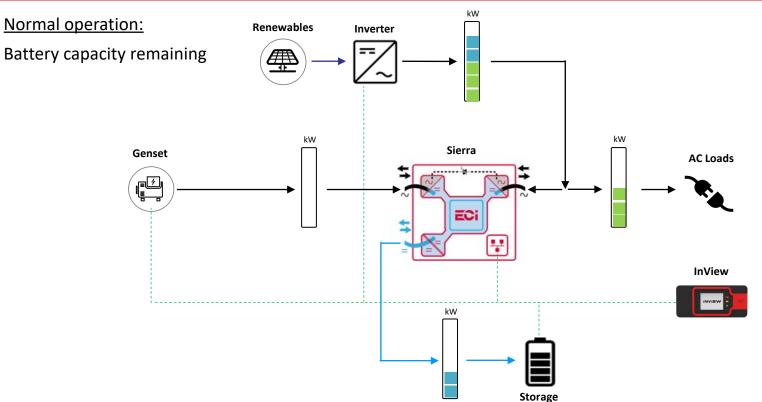
Demo plan

- Simulation of a complete day
- Succession of different steps:
 - Afternoon
 - Evening
 - Night
 - Morning





Step 1: Afternoon – Battery charging due to an excess of PV production

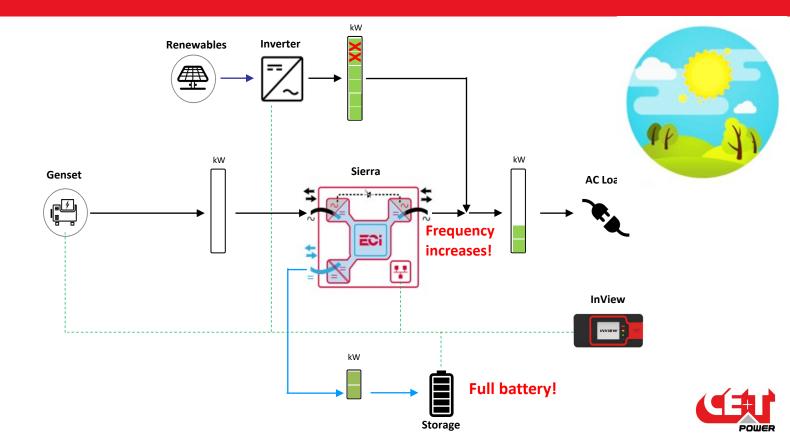




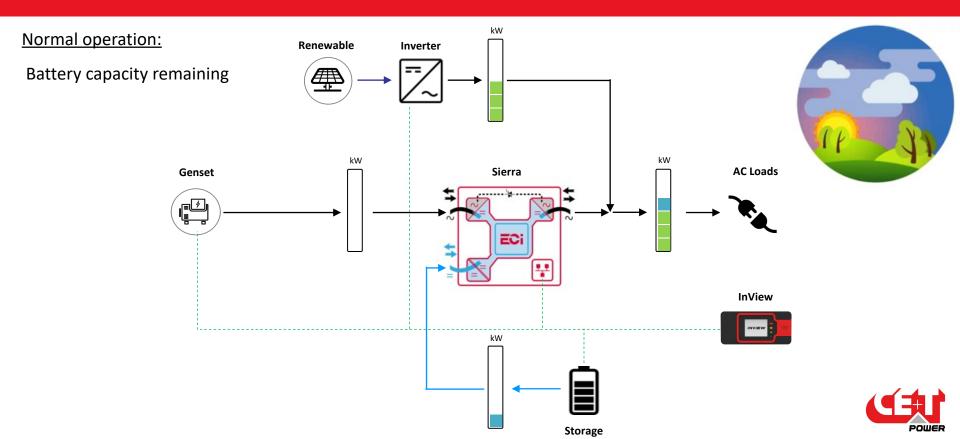


Step 2: Afternoon – Excess of PV production handled by curtailment

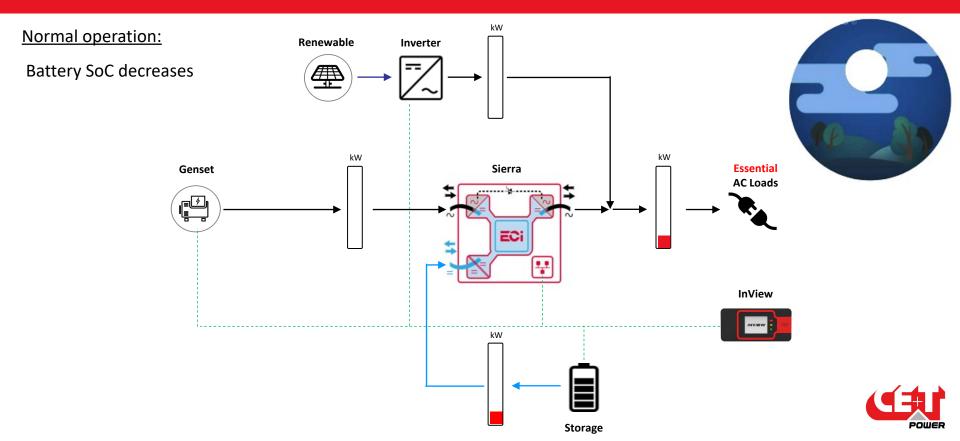
<u>Corner case:</u> Battery is full



Step 3 - Evening: lack of PV production & storage is discharging



Step 4 - Night: Load shedding to keep power only for critical loads

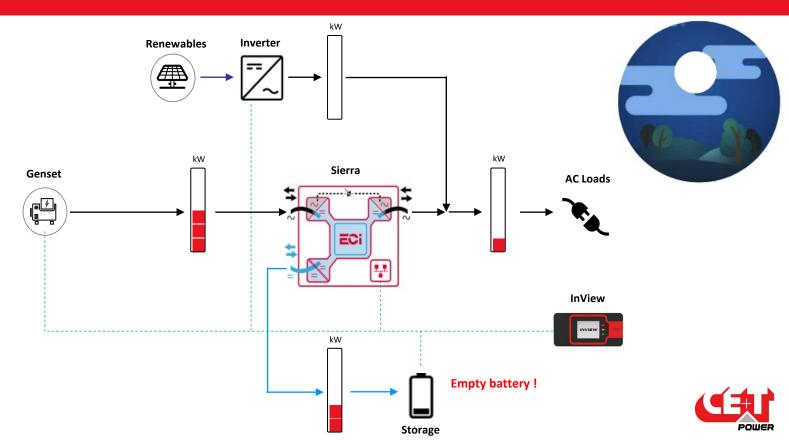


Step 5 – Night: Genset starts supplying critical loads and battery

Corner case:

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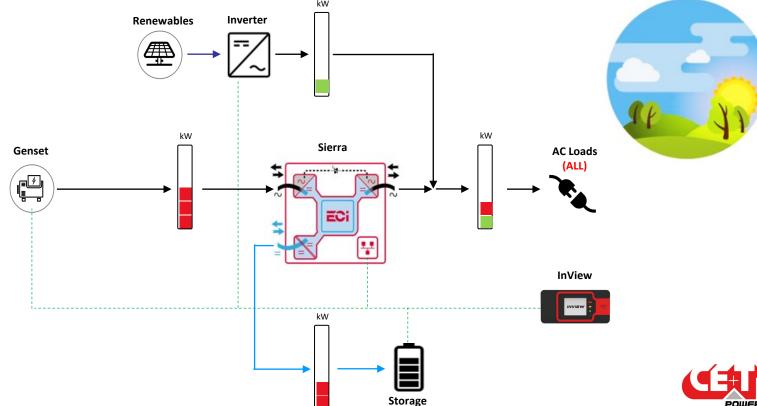


Step 6 - Morning: Non-essential loads are reconnected

Corner case: Renewables Inverter

Battery is recharged & sun rise

→ Load reconnection



Step 7 – Morning: Sufficient PV production, the cycle restarts

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