

Are flywheels a viable energy storage technology?

Flywheels have a relatively low energy density and are not feasible for longer term energy storage compared to other technologies. Additionally, they have a low current efficiency and high level of self-discharge due to air resistance and bearing losses (A.J. Ruddell, in Stand-Alone and Hybrid Wind Energy Systems, 2010).

What happened to flywheel energy technology?

Interest in flywheel energy technology fell as oil prices stabilised towards the end of the 1970s, leading to a reduction in research. The research into flywheels petered out by the mid 1980s. However, there was a revival in the 1990s due to stricter emissions legislation coming into force worldwide.

What is a flywheel energy storage & conversion system?

A flywheel energy storage and conversion system is used in applications such as a residentially sized photovoltaic-powered system tied into the utility grid for off-peak or backup service. This is an example of one application for the system.

What is a flywheel storage system?

A flywheel storage system is also almost identical in many respects to a power generator- it's often built around a magnetic coil so the motor and the output generator are the same piece of hardware, with simple switching reversing the circuit to switch between spin-up and discharge. Why would you want to fit it IN a home?

What is a flywheel assembly?

A flywheel assembly comprising: a cylindrical sleeve carried on said shaft, said sleeve closed at each of two opposing axial ends to define an enclosed volume; wherein said sleeve is deformed by expansion of said fluid within said enclosed volume to tightly engage said rotor.

What is a flywheel rotor?

The flywheel rotor has a unique axial profile to both maximize the energy density of the flywheel, to maximize the volumetric efficiency of the entire system and to provide a circumferential ridge to add balance weights without the damaging procedure of grinding away fibers.

the present invention relates to the field of flywheel energy storage devices. this invention relates to non-cylindrically-shaped flywheels made of nontraditional materials. the automobile engine ...

What is claimed is: 1. An energy storage system comprising: a first housing having an end face; a flywheel having: a rotor, and a drive shaft defining a substantially vertical axis about which the ...

An example flywheel energy storage (FES) device 10 may include a rotating or rotatable flywheel 12, which may be suspended by a magnetic bearing 14 and/or which may be adapted to store ...

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A flywheel based energy storage apparatus includes a housing and a hub-less flywheel mounted within the housing. The hub-less flywheel has a mass which is shifted ...

Accordingly, the invention provides a speed control for a flywheel energy storage system that provides accurate and reliable speed control for long-term operation. The speed control uses a ...

Abstract: The present invention provides a flywheel apparatus for use as an energy storage system, the apparatus comprising: a housing unit having a base; a flywheel ...

The high-voltage flywheel energy storage system prevents ionization, plasma formation, and electrical arc discharge by isolating the motor windings and motor end windings ...

the present invention relates to a system and method for the supply of the uninterrupted continuous input power source for energy storage and utilize this stored energy for power ...

The present invention provides a compact energy storage system comprising a high speed rotating flywheel of the "conventional" configuration and an integral ...

Embodiments of the present invention include a shaft-less energy storage flywheel system. The shaft-less energy storage flywheel system includes a solid cylindrical flywheel having ...

A flywheel energy storage system ( 10 ) includes a vacuum enclosure ( 18 ) having a flywheel ( 12 ), motor/generator ( 14 ), and a shaft ( 16 ) enclosed within. The ...

A flywheel energy storage system comprises a dynamoelectric machine, a flywheel connected to the dynamoelectric machine for rotation therewith, an auxiliary machine for performing ...

What is claimed is: 1. An electrical energy storage system for supplying power to a load comprising: a. a plurality of flywheel energy storage systems, each supplying a power output ...

Techniques for flywheel energy storage devices including magnetic bearings and/or magnetic drives are generally disclosed. Some example magnetic bearings may include a flywheel ...

A high-voltage flywheel energy storage system to prevent ionization, plasma formation, and electrical arc



# Flywheel energy storage system invention patent

discharge and corresponding method are provided. The high ...

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