

# Container crane converted to energy storage

Can energy storage systems be installed in RTG cranes?

The last 20 years researchers proposed the installation of different energy storage systems, such as BESS, SCESs and combinations of BESSs with SCESs, FESS, in RTG cranes. In this work an evaluation in energy efficiency and purchase cost for these systems is performed and analyzed.

Do container cranes use electricity?

Container cranes are the only equipment that uses electricity. Here, energy consumption data was obtained from historical records of the fuel and electricity consumptions at the destination terminal. The data collection method involved the observation of operation performance of the handling equipment in the container terminal over a year.

How does a RTG crane work?

During the lifting of a container by a conventional RTG crane, the DEG provides power and energy required by the hoist motors. During the lowering of a container, the hoist motor acts as a generator by creating regenerative braking energy. This energy is dissipated as heat to braking resistors reducing the efficiency of the RTG crane.

How much energy does a crane use?

Quantifying the energy demand, we see that the crane is active about 50% of the entire operation time of which about 62% of the energy is used by the hoist motors, 31% is used by the gantry motors and about 10% is for the trolley and losses. For the remaining time the crane is in idle mode with the DEG switched on consuming diesel fuel.

Why are RTG cranes used in container terminal a?

In container terminal A, RTG cranes exhibited the largest contribution (approximately 45%) to the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions because this terminal has a large container throughput; thus, the container traffic volume in the stacking field is also high, which indicates that this equipment experiences several container re-handlings.

How sustainable are RTG cranes compared to conventional cranes?

In Table 6 we present the economical sustainability of the different systems compared to the conventional type RTG crane, i.e., without ESS. We assumed that for the conventional RTG the typical consumption is 2.40 L/move or 1.20 L/TEU, considering that 20 moves/h equals 40 twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU)/h.

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