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How does a flywheel energy storage system work?
Flywheel Energy Storage Systems (FESS) rely on a mechanical working principle: An electric motor is used to spin a rotor of high inertia up to 20,000-50,000 rpm. Electrical energy is thus converted to kinetic energy for storage. For discharging, the motor acts as a generator, braking the rotor to produce electricity.

Are flywheel energy storage systems feasible?
Abstract - This study gives a critical review of flywheel energy storage systems and their feasibility in various applications. Flywheel energy storage systems have gained increased popularity as a method of environmentally friendly energy storage.

How can flywheels be more competitive to batteries?
The use of new materials and compact designswill increase the specific energy and energy density to make flywheels more competitive to batteries. Other opportunities are new applications in energy harvest,hybrid energy systems,and flywheel's secondary functionality apart from energy storage.

How efficient are flywheels?
Modern flywheels can achieve round-trip efficiencies of 85-90%,comparable to advanced battery systems. Moreover,flywheels can store and release energy with minimal losses,particularly when used for short-duration storage (on the order of minutes to a few hours).

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