



# Battery technology and QUB EV lab

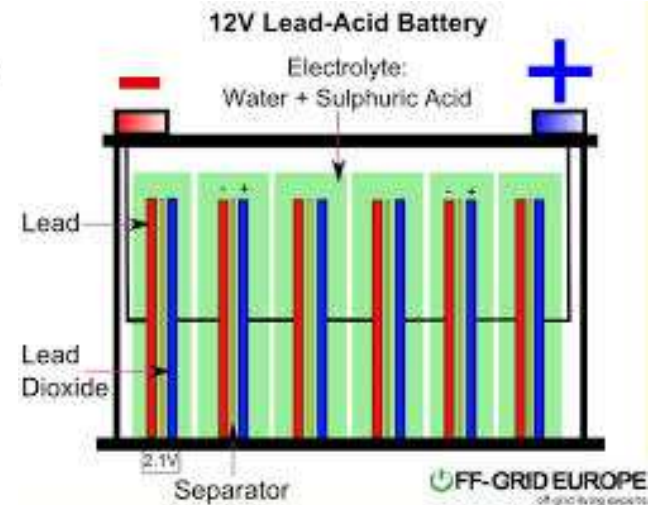
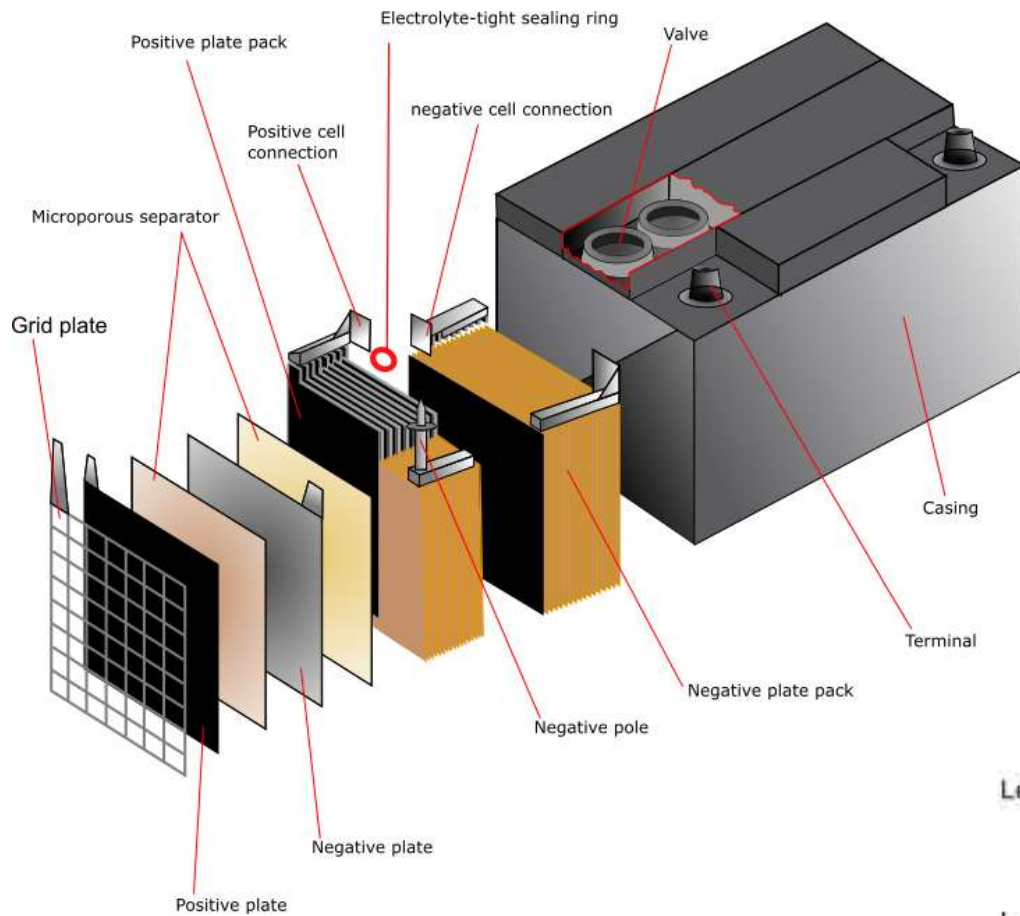
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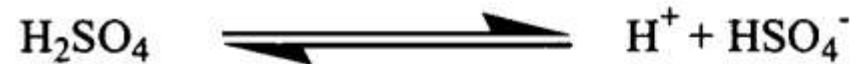
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# Machnism

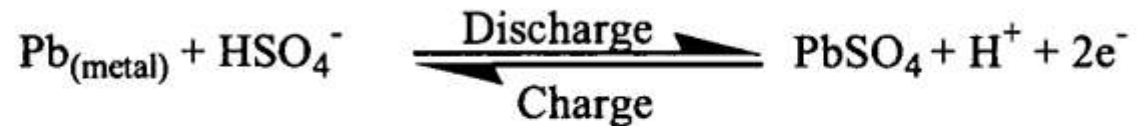


# Lead-Acid Reactions

Equation 1  
Electrolyte



Equation 2  
Negative Electrode



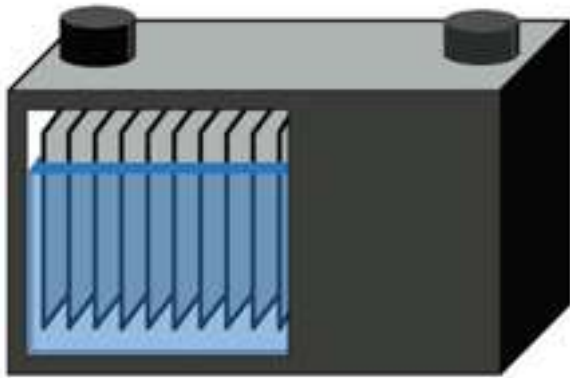
Equation 3  
Positive Electrode



Equation 4  
Total Reaction

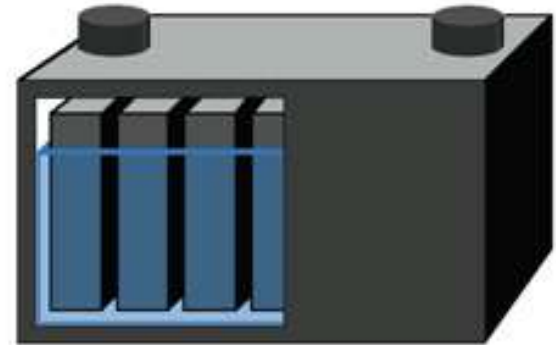


# Background of lead acid battery



**Starter battery**

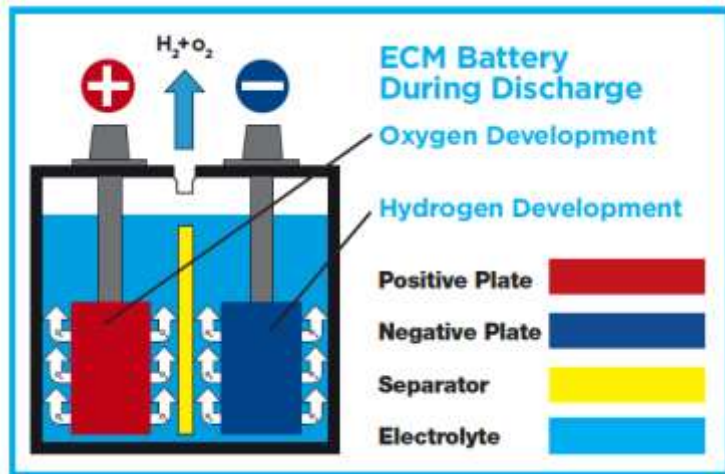
- Low internal resistance
- High power



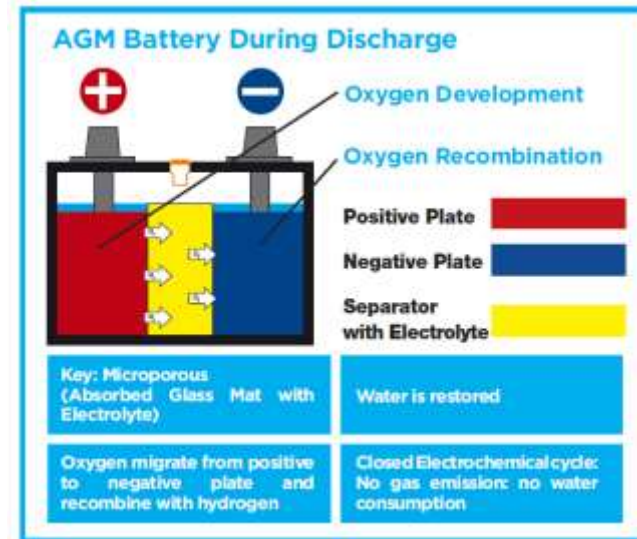
**Deep-cycle battery**

- Designed for cycling
- Small continuous power

# Lead Acid Battery Categories



ECM (Enhanced Cyclic Mat)  
 AFB (Advanced Flooded Battery)  
 EFB (Enhanced Flooded Battery)



AGM (Absorbed Glass Mat)

Good for Brake Energy Regeneration

# Background of lead acid battery

Standard



Bosch S4 Car Battery  
Type 096

Amp Hours (Ah): 74Ah  
Cold Cranking Amp (CCA): 680cca

£71.49

EFB



Bosch S5 Car Battery  
Type 100

Amp Hours (Ah): 74Ah  
Cold Cranking Amp (CCA): 750cca

£84.95

AGM

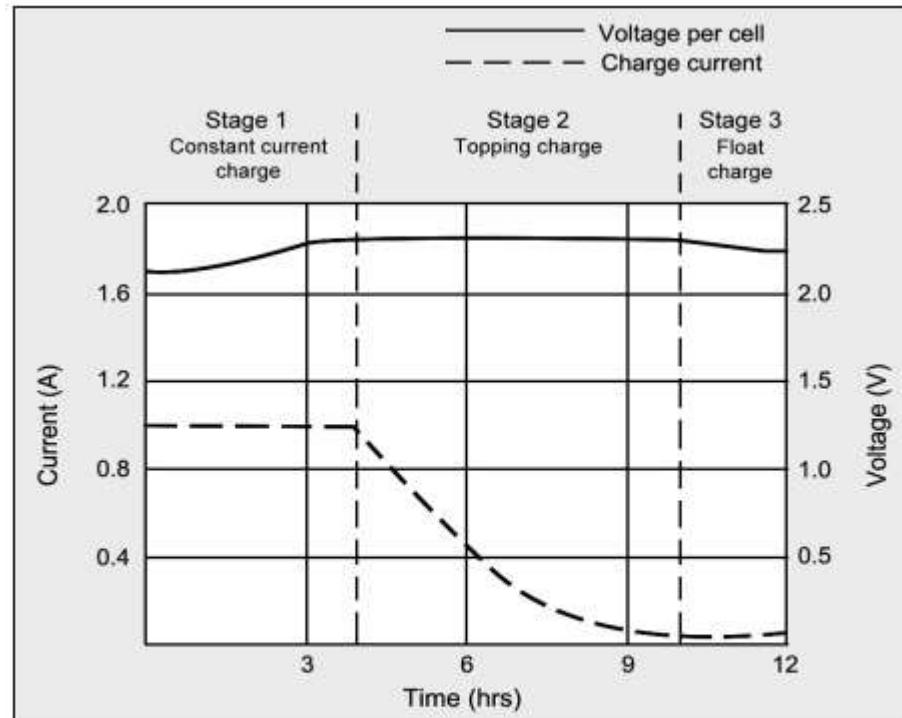


Bosch S6 Car Battery  
Type 096

Amp Hours (Ah): 70Ah  
Cold Cranking Amp (CCA): 760cca

£123.32

# Standard Charging



**Stage 1:** Voltage rises at constant current to V-peak.

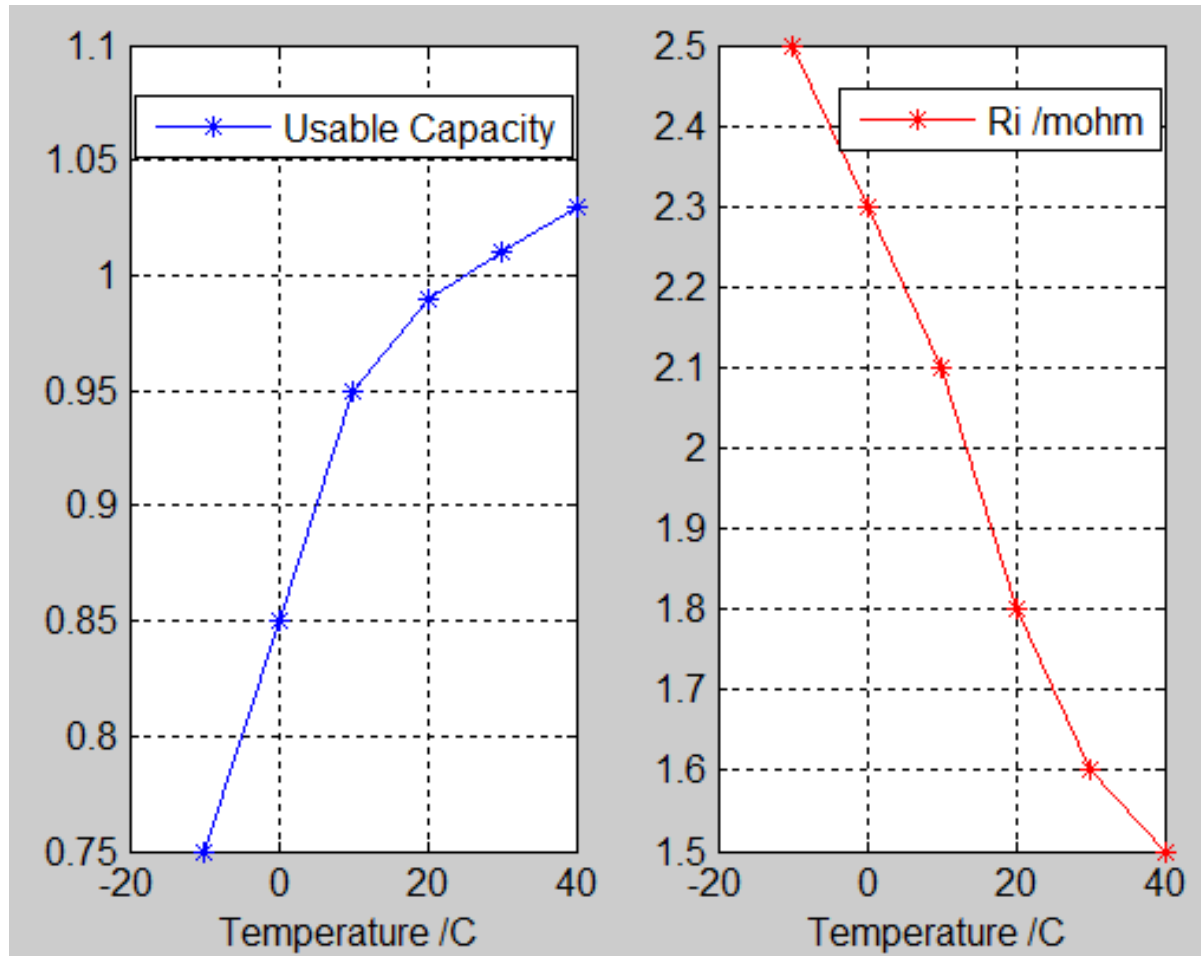
**Stage 2:** Current drops; full charge is reached when current levels off

**Stage 3:** Voltage is lowered to float charge level

## Charging Lead Acid



# Lead Acid Performance vs Temperature

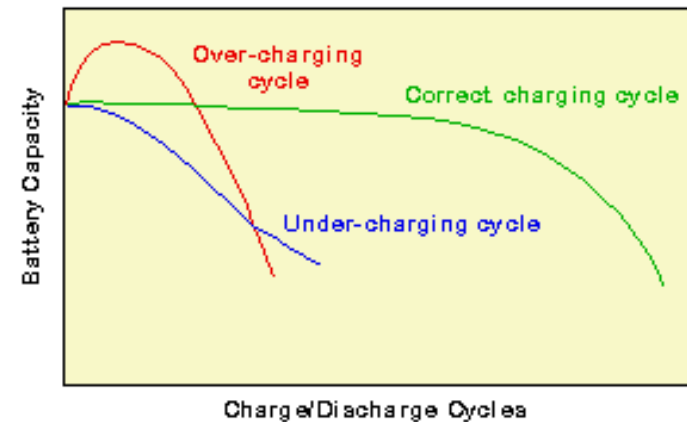
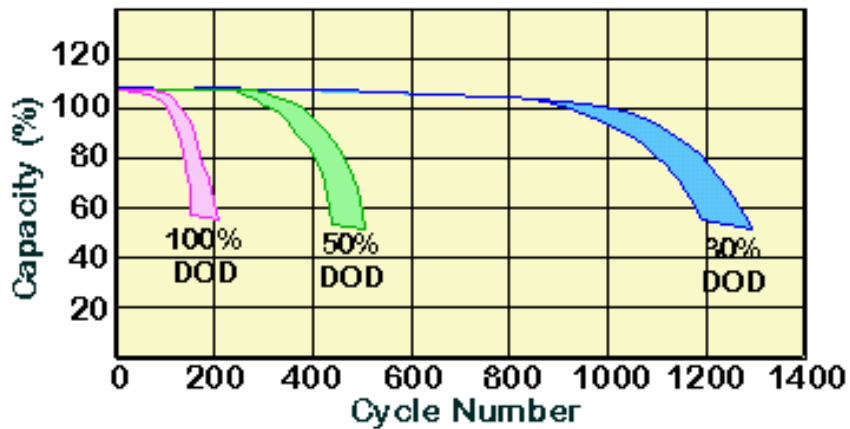


# Cycle life versus DoD

## Battery life

Depth of Discharge	Starter Battery	Deep-cycle Battery
100%	12–15 cycles	150–200 cycles
50%	100–120 cycles	400–500 cycles
30%	130–150 cycles	1,000 and more cycles

From <http://batteryuniversity.com/>



# lead acid battery aging

Over charge



Grid corrosion



Lower charge



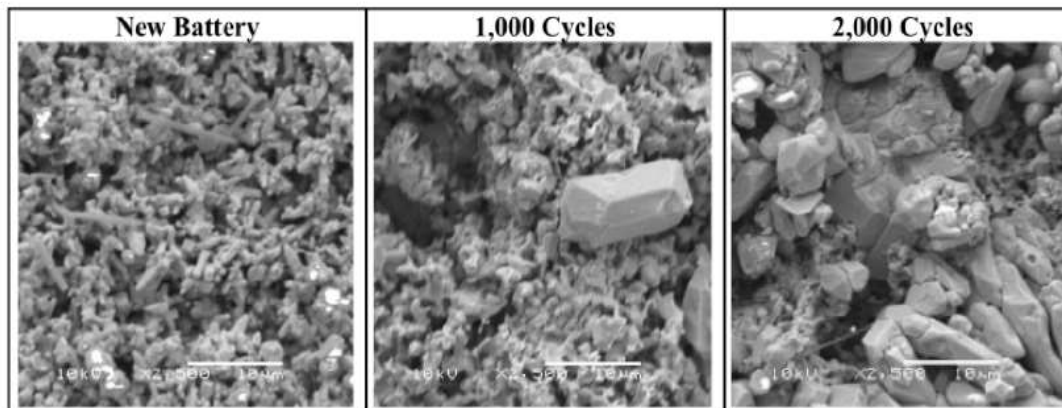
Sulphation build-up



Positive Plate

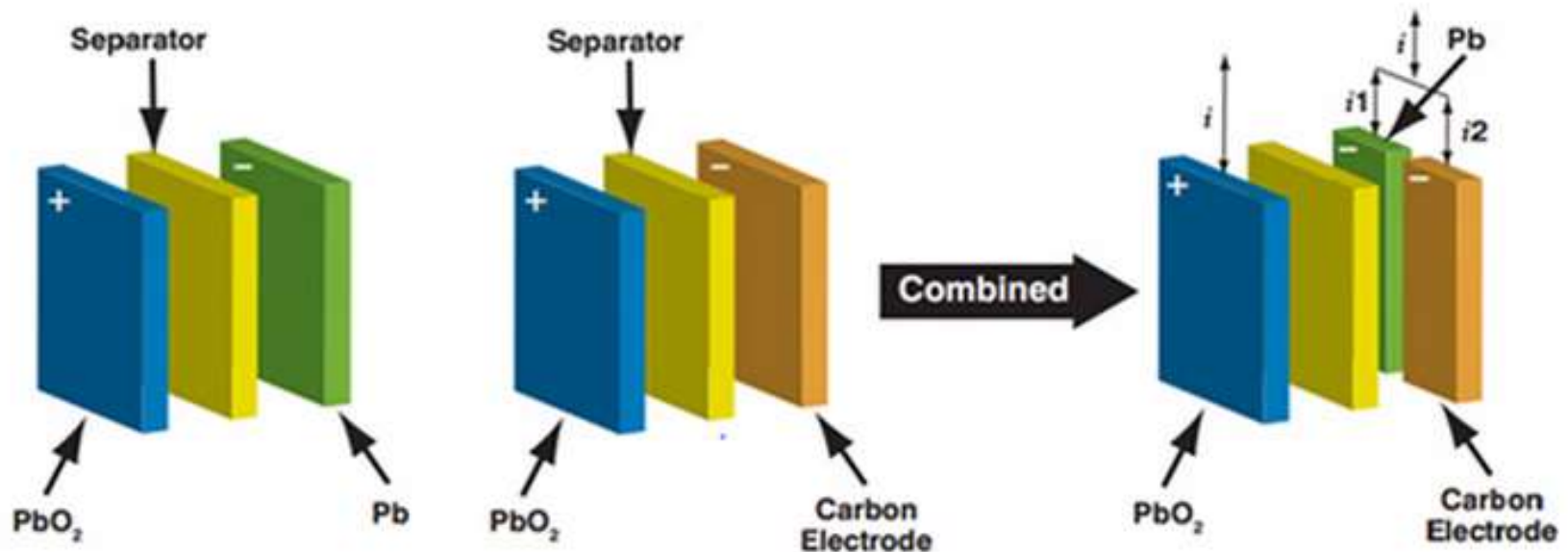


Negative Plate

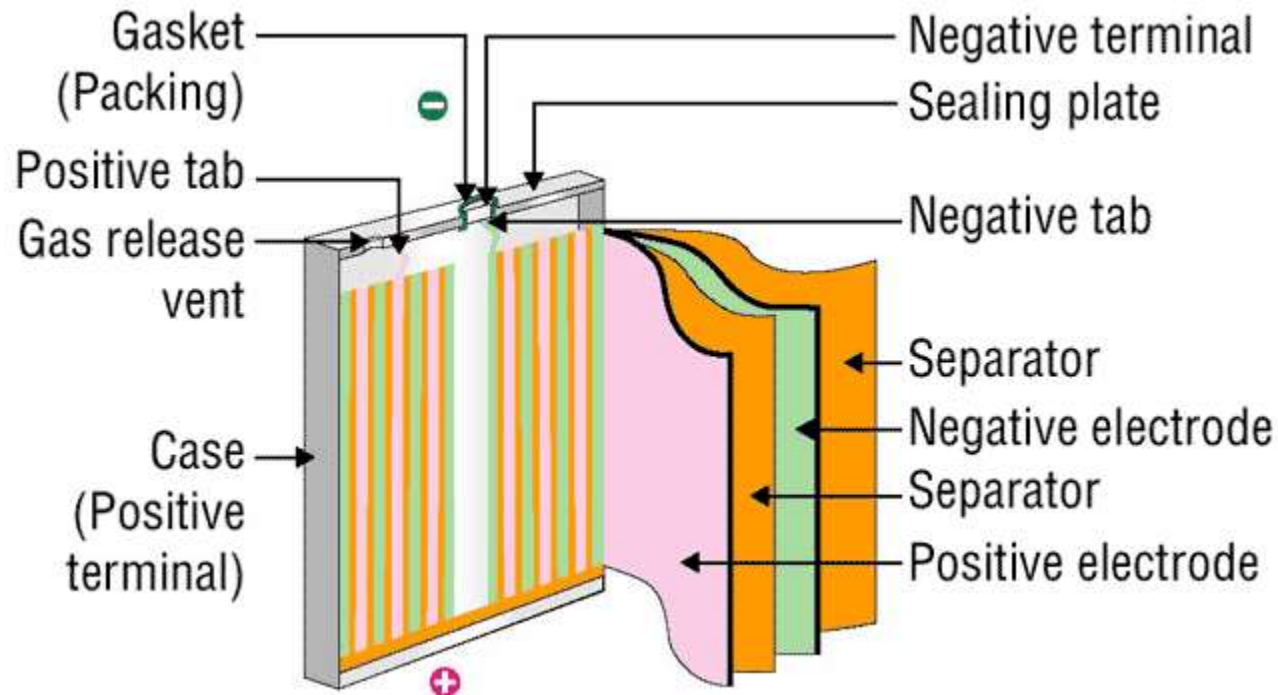


# Advanced Lead Acid Battery

## Advanced Lead-Carbon



# Li ion Battery



Anode



Cathode



# Li ion Battery Characterization

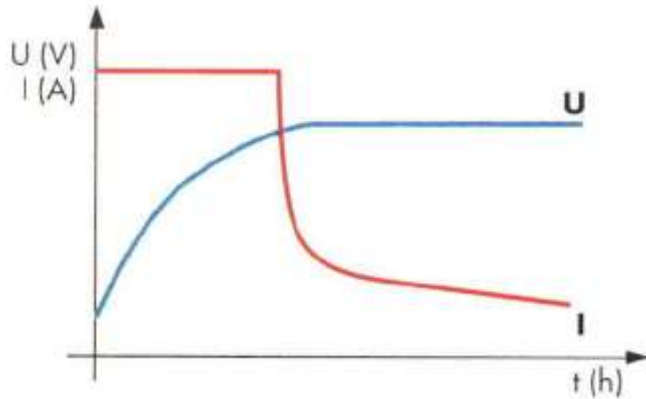


Fig 1. Typical Charging Profile

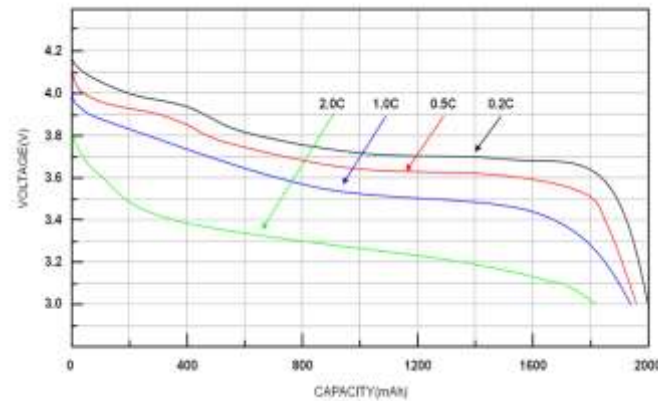


Fig 2. usable capacity versus discharging current

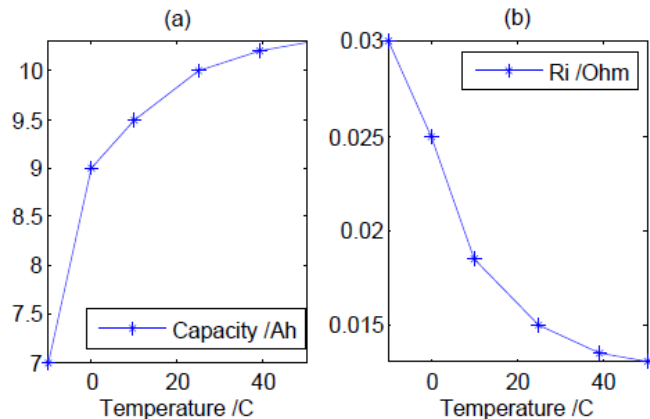


Fig 3. Temperature effect on usable capacity and internal resistance

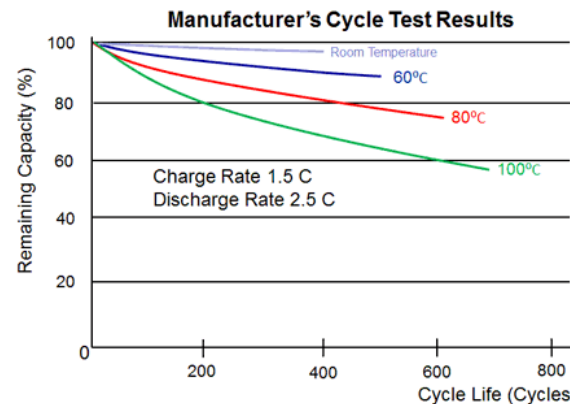


Fig 4. Battery aging process vs temperature & Cycle number

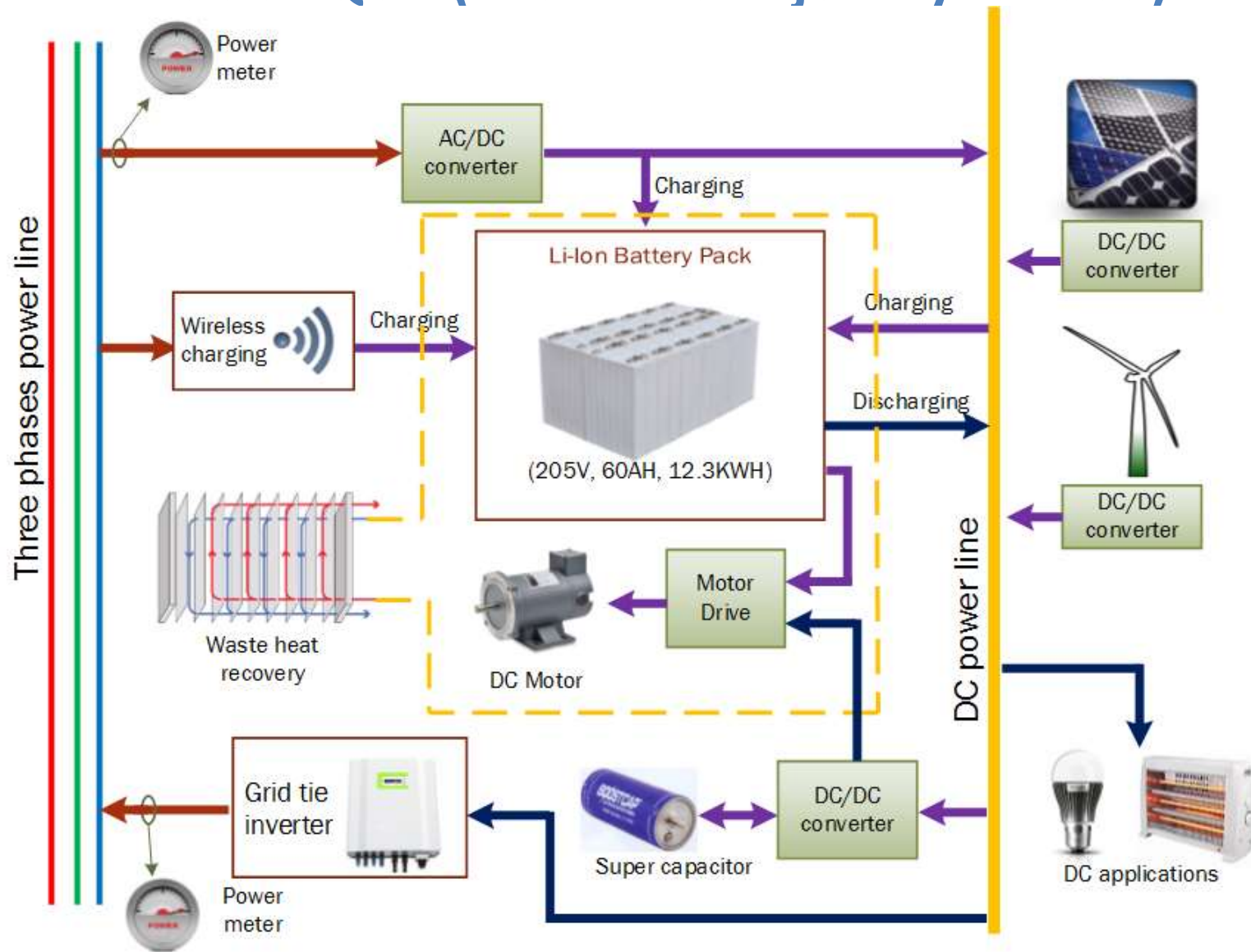
Aging is also affected by *discharging current level*,  
*discharging depth*,

# Lead Acid vs Li-ion

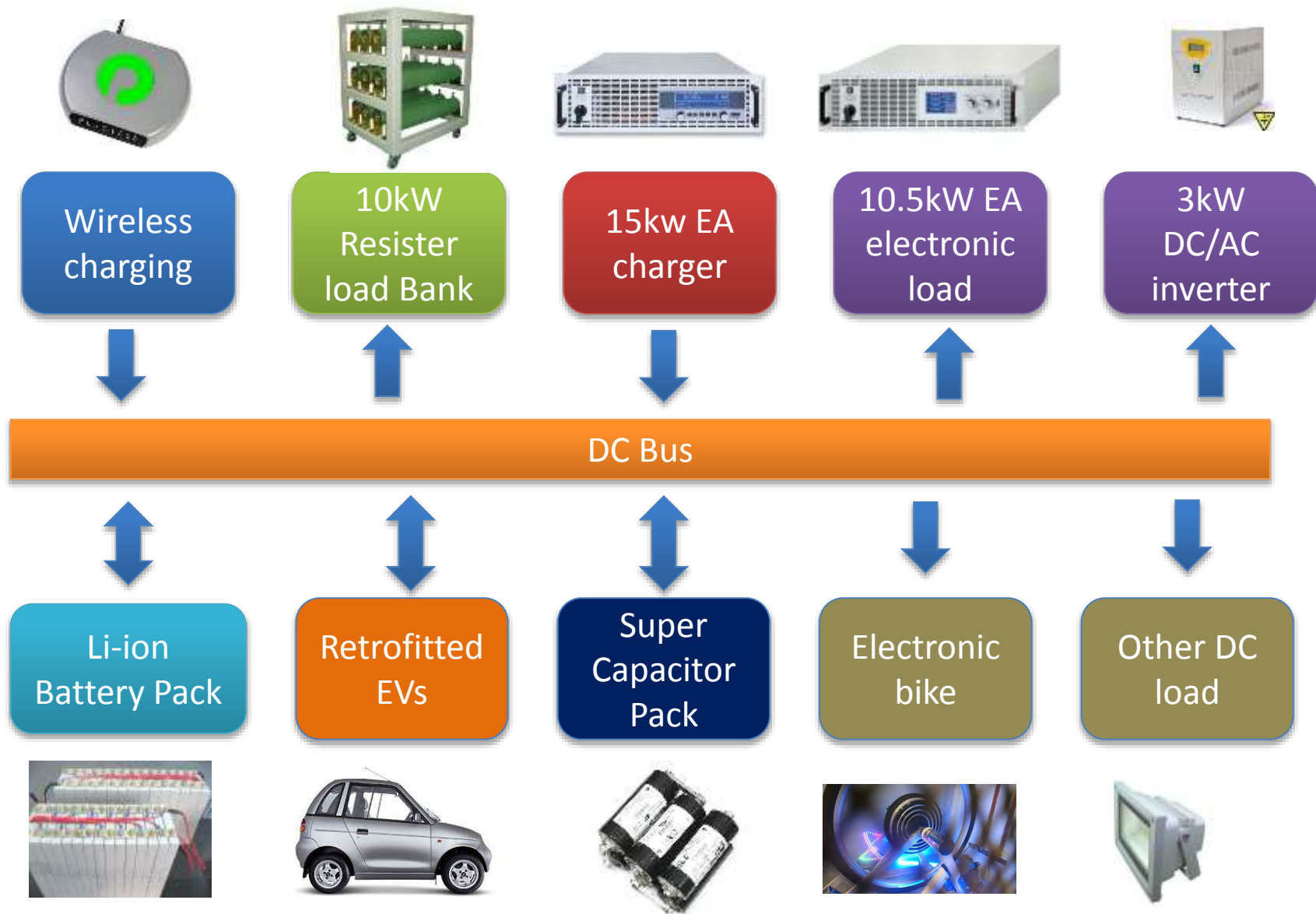
Specification	Lead-acid	Li-ion
Energy Density (Wh/L)	60-110	300 - 700
Specific Energy (Wh/kg)	40	100 - 260
Energy Density (W/kg)	180	250 - 350
Cycle life	800 @ 50% DoD	2000 @ 80% DoD
Temperature Sensitivity	Degrades significantly above 25°C	Degrades significantly above 45°C
Efficiency	100% @ 0.05 C-rate 80% @ 0.25 C-rate 60% @ 1 C-rate	100% @ 0.05 C-rate 99% @ 0.25 C-rate 92% @ 1 C-rate
Cost (\$/kWh)	100	400
Maintenance	free	BMS



# EV lab at QUB (EPSRC-NSFC jointly funded)

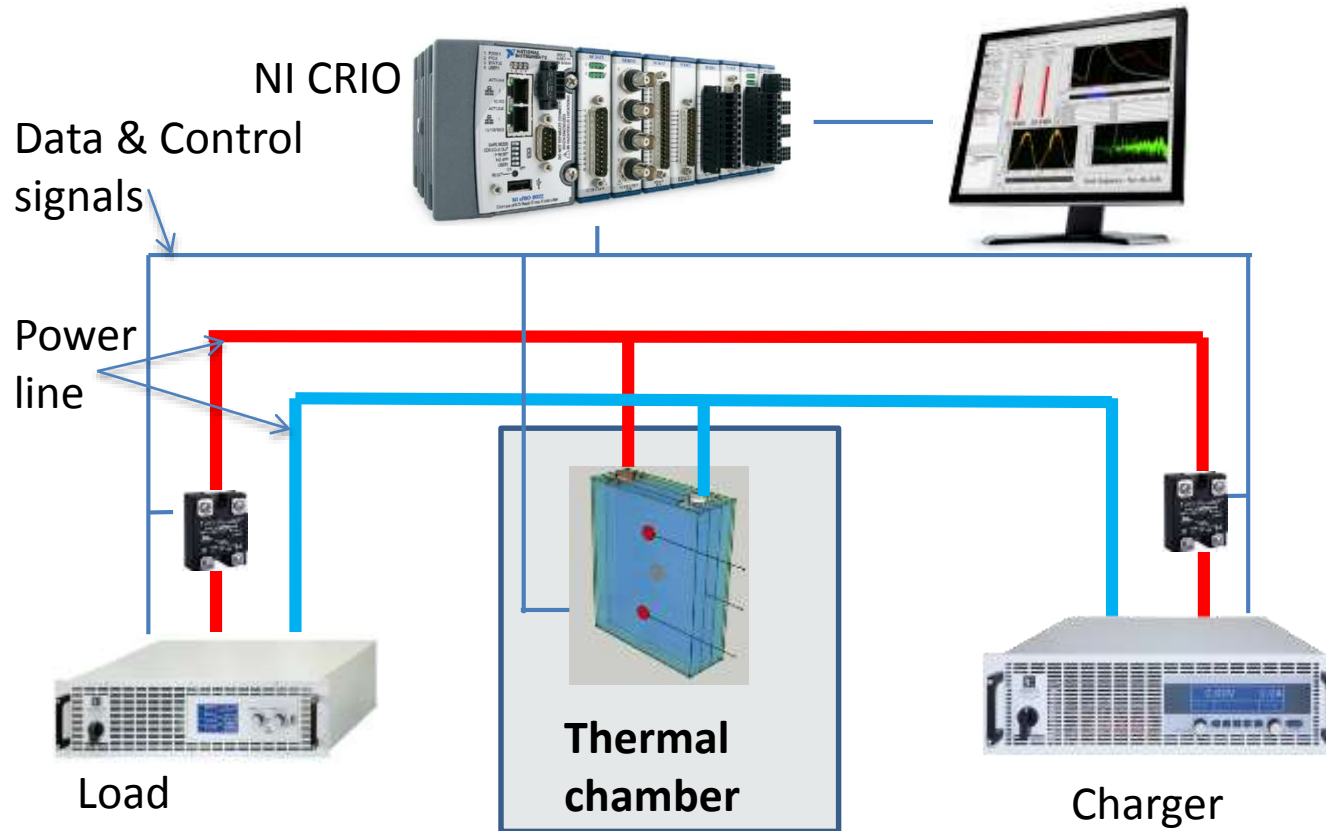






# EV Lab

## 1. Battery testing system



Functionality:

1. **Fully automatic charging/discharging test**
2. **Temperature control**
3. **User-defined VIP test sequence (within charger / load capacity limit)**
4. **Expandable**
5. **User interface (Labview)**

# EV Lab



## NI CRIO 9022 test controller

- *Embedded controller runs LabVIEW Real-Time for deterministic control, data logging, and analysis*
- *533 MHz processor, 2 GB non-volatile storage, 256 MB DDR2 memory*
- *Dual Ethernet ports with embedded web and file servers for remote user interfacing*
- *Hi-Speed USB host port for connection to USB flash and memory devices*
- *RS232 serial port for connection to peripherals; dual 9 to 35 VDC supply inputs*



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**LabVIEW™**

# EV lab

## ➤ Electronic Load



### **EA-ELR 9250-210 ELECTRONIC LOAD with recovery function**

- Output power: 10.5kw
- Output voltage: 0 – 250v
- Output current: 0 - 210A
- Program interface: USB, Ethernet, CAN, RS-232

## ➤ Charger



### **EA Elektro-Automatik EA-PS 500-90 3U**

- Output power: 15kw
- Output voltage: 0-500v
- Output current: 0-90A
- Program interface: USB, Ethernet, CAN, RS-232

# EV lab

## ➤ Electronic Load 2



### **EA-ELR 9080-170 ELECTRONIC LOAD with recovery function**

- Output power: 3.5 kw
- Output voltage: 0 - 80v
- Output current: 0 - 170A
- Program interface: USB, Ethernet, CAN, RS-232

## ➤ Charger 2



### **EA-PSI 9080-120 1 phase**

- Output power: 3kw
- Output voltage: 0-80v
- Output current: 0-120A
- Program interface: USB, Ethernet, CAN, RS-232

# EV lab

Temperature range:  
Temperature accuracy:

-20°C to +80°C  
±2°C



Cold test environment



Hot test environment



Automatic Temperature controller



## ➤ Li ion Battery



- LiFePO4
- 3.2 V
- 10 Ah
- 3C discharge
- 1C charge

## ➤ Super capacitor



- Capacitance: 2000 Farad
- Voltage: 2.7V
- Continuous current: 130A
- Peak current: 1800A



- LiFePO4
- 3.2 V
- 100 Ah
- 1C discharge
- 1C charge



# EV lab



## G-Wiz electric car

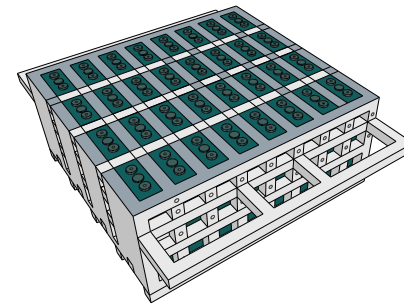
- Dimensions L 2.6m, W 1.3m, H 1.6m
- Motor power: 6kW continuous
- Weight: 400 kg excl batteries
- Battery: 200AH, 48V, Lead-acid
- Range: 48 miles

Retrofit: Li-ion battery, BMS, wireless communication, standard charging plug

Li-Ion Battery Pack



(205V, 60AH, 12.3KWH)

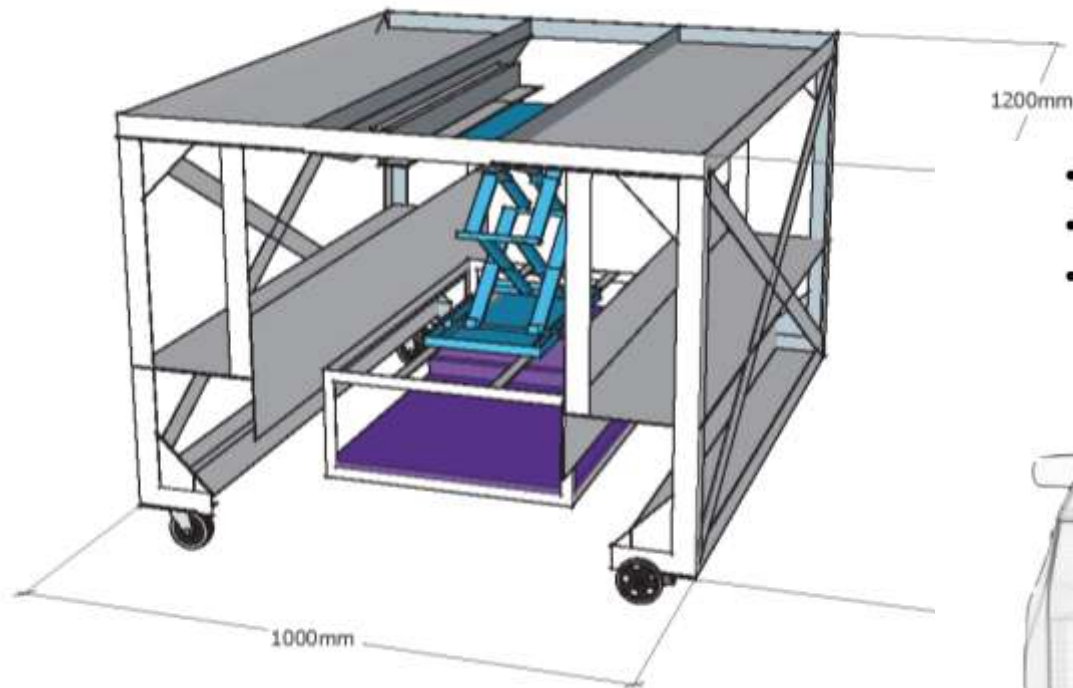


Battery holder with waste heat recovery





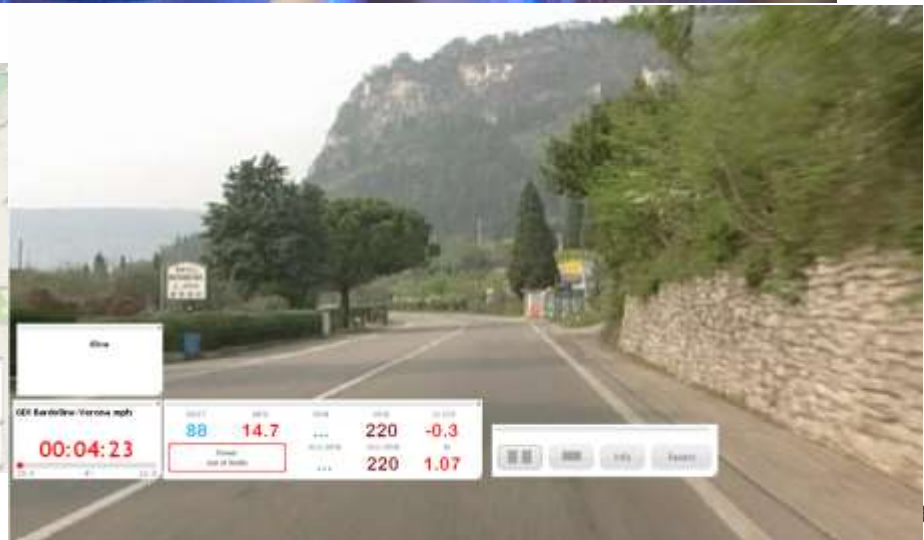
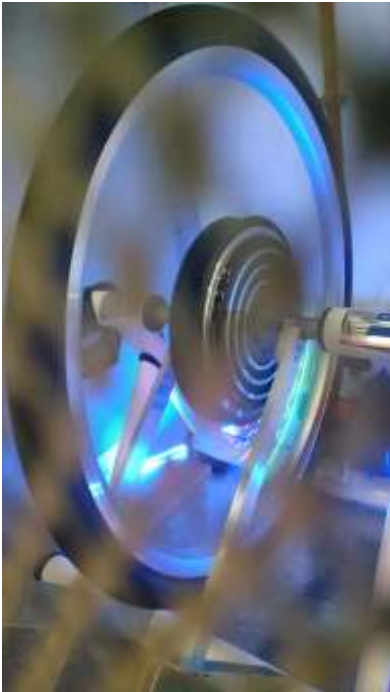
# Wireless charging



- Control Panel
- Vehicle Adapter
- Parking Pad



# Driving style simulation platform to mimic city bus driving





# Battery pack monitoring and control



Analog input module



Communication module



Voltage and current module



Relay signal module



Digital input/output module



Temperature module



BMS module



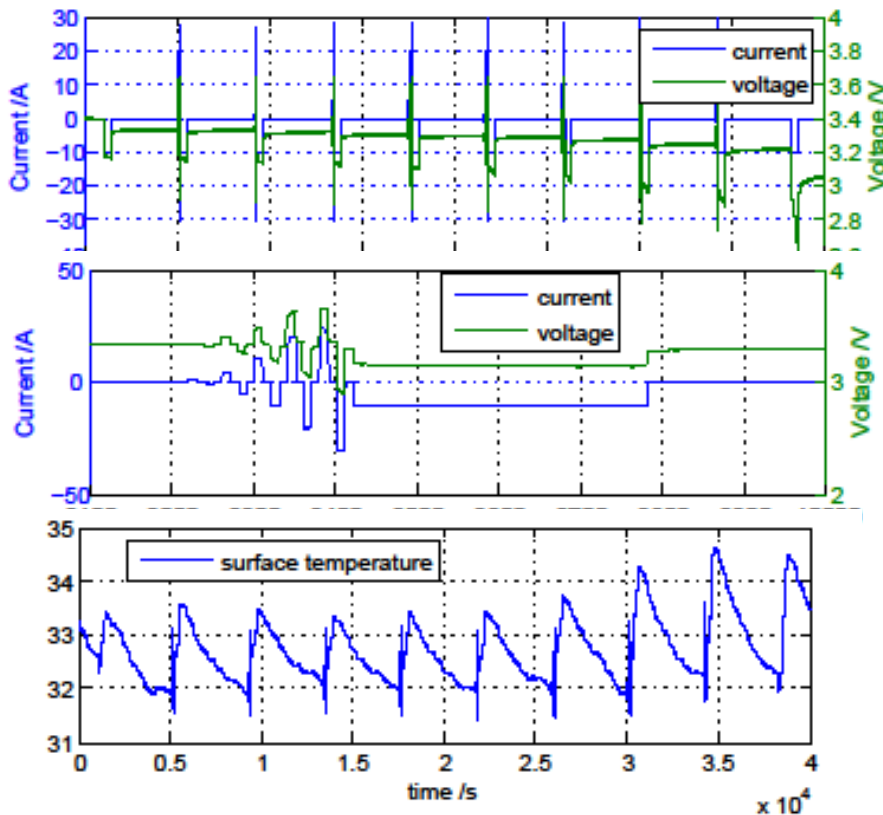
Protocol converter module



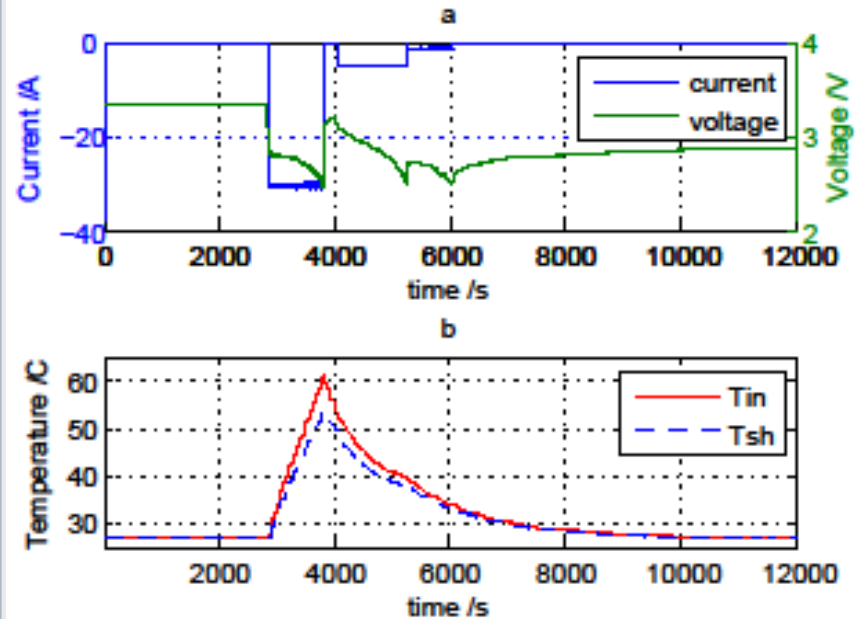
Interface card for main controller

# Test data

HPPC tests at different temperatures:  
[0, 10, 23, 32, 39, 52]°C



Thermal test



# Our Research

## 1. Battery modelling

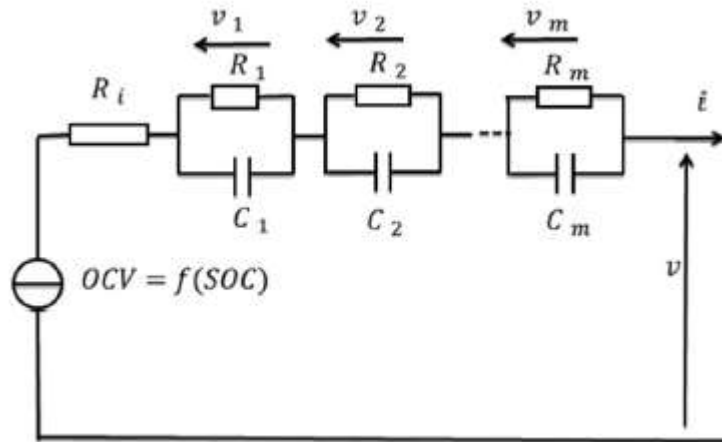


Fig 1: Li ion battery model

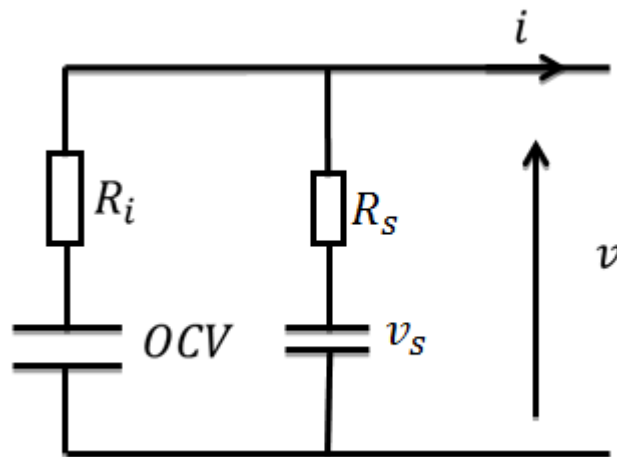


Fig 2: Lead-Acid battery model

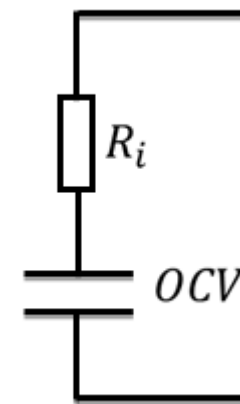


Fig 3: Supercapacitor model

### Modelling procedure

1. Select model structure
2. Test data collection
3. Model parameter optimization
4. Model validation
5. Model application

# Our Research

## 2. Battery State estimation

### 1. State-of-charge (SOC) estimation

Current methods:

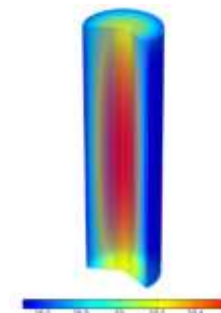
- a) Hydrometer, battery impedance (drawbacks: not suitable for online application)
- b) OCV measurement (drawbacks: long relaxation process)
- c) Current integration method (drawbacks: open loop method; current measurement error build up)

We proposed ***model-based method using Extended Kalman Filter algorithm***



### 2. Internal temperature estimation

Battery thermal model based internal temperature estimation using surface temperature measurements and advanced state estimation algorithm



### 3. Battery State-of-health estimation

By battery internal resistance estimation and usable capacity estimation

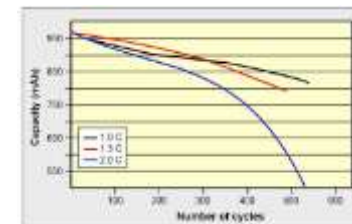
***How fast battery ages with different load condition? (e.g., peak load)***

***How to prolong battery life?***

### 4. Other applications

Battery internal resistance estimation,  
battery power capacity prediction

...



# Our Research

## 3. Battery control

### 1. Battery charging/discharging control

Based on the developed battery model and state estimation methods

1. Prevent over-charging, over-discharging
2. Prevent over-current
3. Prevent over-temperature

### 2. Battery temperature control

based on developed battery thermal model

1. Battery temperature estimation
2. Battery warming/cooling
3. Reduce battery thermal management parasitic energy consumption



### 3. Battery balancing

# QUB support

How can we contribute?

## 1. Battery test

- a) Charging/discharging, regenerative break; deep recycling, ...
- b) Different temperature settings
- c) *Any user defined VIP test sequence***

## 2. Data analysis

- a) Load analysis
- b) Battery life analysis

## 3. System design improvement

## 4. Charging/discharging control

- a) Model, state estimation, control
- b) *To prolong battery life***





Energy



Power



Intelligent control

## Questions ?

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