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# EV Predictive Maintenance

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## Phase 3: Exploratory Data Analysis

Statistical Insights & Degradation Patterns



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# 1 Executive Summary

Phase 3 transforms clean battery datasets into actionable intelligence through comprehensive exploratory data analysis. This phase reveals critical degradation patterns, quantifies relationships between operational parameters and battery health, and validates physics-based hypotheses using statistical evidence.

## Phase 3 Objectives

**Primary Goal:** Discover hidden patterns, correlations, and degradation signatures in battery data to inform feature engineering and model selection for accurate SoH/RUL prediction.

## 1.1 Key Achievements

- **Degradation Visualization:** Plotted capacity fade over 600+ cycles, confirming non-linear aging patterns
- **Voltage Profile Analysis:** Compared discharge curves across battery lifecycle (new vs. aged vs. end-of-life)
- **Thermal Signatures:** Quantified temperature rise as indicator of internal resistance growth
- **Correlation Studies:** Identified strong predictors (discharge time, voltage drop) and weak ones (instantaneous measurements)
- **Real-World Data Exploration:** Analyzed 3.4 million rows from Chengdu EV fleet data
- **Statistical Validation:** Computed Pearson and Spearman correlations to distinguish linear vs. monotonic relationships

## EDA Results Summary

### Strongest Correlations with Capacity:

- Discharge Time:  $r = 0.99$  (near-perfect predictor)
- Cycle Number:  $r = -0.99$  (aging proxy)
- Temperature Rise (T): Positive monotonic relationship

**Key Insight:** Instantaneous voltage/temperature readings show weak correlations ( $<0.15$ ), confirming that **dynamic behavior patterns** (not snapshots) are critical for health prediction.

## 2 EDA Objectives and Methodology

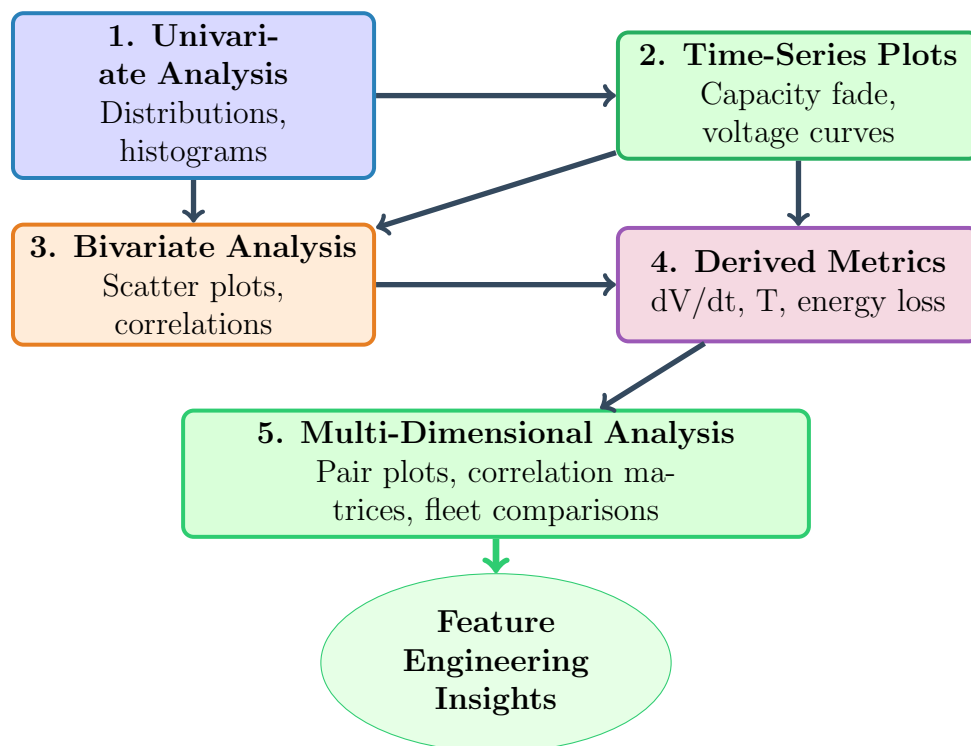
### 2.1 Why Exploratory Data Analysis?

EDA serves as the bridge between raw data and predictive modeling. Before building complex machine learning models, we must:

1. **Understand Data Distributions:** Identify skewness, outliers, and anomalies
2. **Discover Relationships:** Quantify correlations between features and target variables
3. **Validate Physics:** Confirm that data behavior aligns with electrochemical theory
4. **Guide Feature Engineering:** Identify which derived features will have predictive power
5. **Inform Model Selection:** Determine if linear vs. non-linear models are appropriate

### 2.2 EDA Workflow

#### EDA Workflow - Five-Stage Analysis



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## 3 Overall Battery Degradation Visualization

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### 3.1 Task 1: Capacity Fade Over Lifecycle

The first and most fundamental analysis visualizes the battery's State of Health (SoH) decay over its operational lifetime.

#### 3.1.1 Analysis Logic

##### Core Steps:

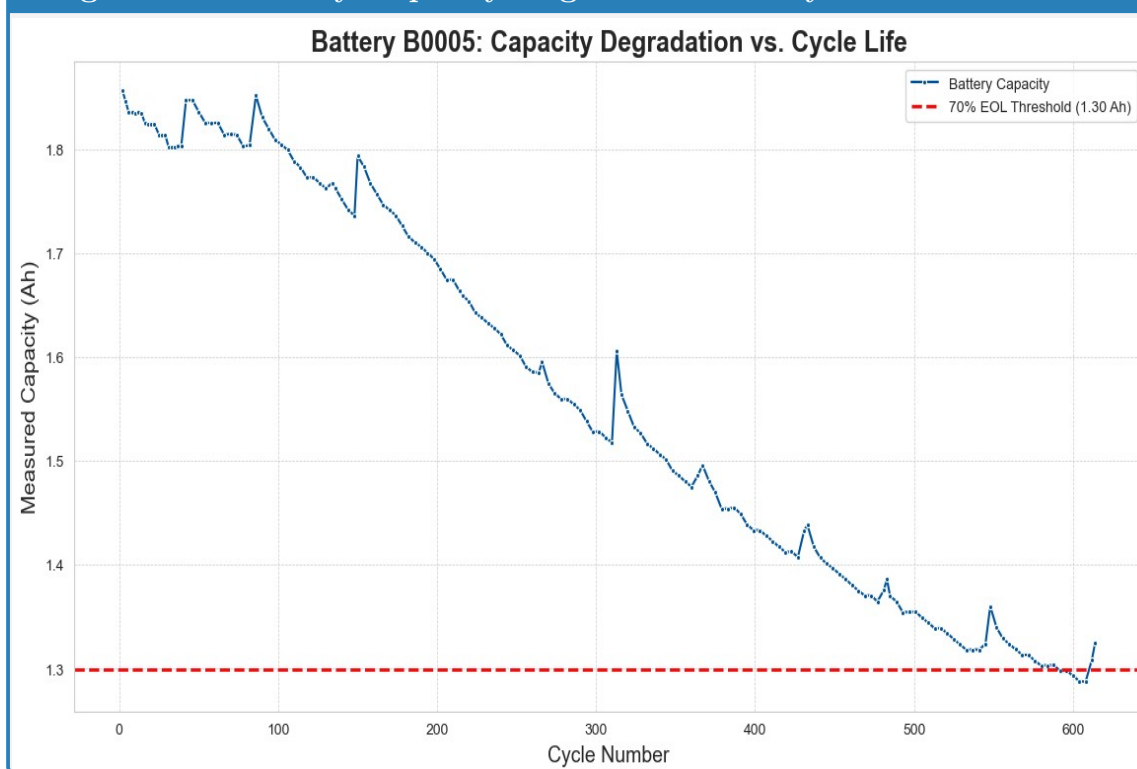
1. Filter data for unique cycles (one capacity value per cycle)
2. Calculate 70% End-of-Life (EOL) threshold from initial capacity
3. Plot capacity vs. cycle number with EOL reference line
4. Identify cycle count at EOL crossing

##### Key Function Logic:

```
1 # Get one capacity measurement per cycle
2 capacity_df = final_df.drop_duplicates(subset='cycle')
3
4 # Calculate EOL threshold (70% of initial)
5 initial_capacity = capacity_df['capacity'].iloc[0]
6 eol_threshold = initial_capacity * 0.7
7
8 # Plot degradation curve
9 sns.lineplot(x='cycle', y='capacity', data=capacity_df)
10 plt.axhline(y=eol_threshold, color='red', linestyle='--',
11             label=f'70% EOL Threshold')
```

Listing 1: Capacity Fade Plotting Logic

Figure 3.1: Battery Capacity Degradation vs. Cycle Life



## 3.2 Key Observations

### Degradation Characteristics

**Initial Capacity:** 1.856 Ah (Battery B0005 at Cycle 2)

**Final Capacity:** 1.287 Ah (at Cycle 616)

**Total Capacity Loss:** 30.6% over 614 cycles

**EOL Crossing:** Approximately cycle 550-600

**Degradation Pattern:** Non-linear with periods of faster/slower decay

### 3.2.1 Engineering Insights

1. **Non-Linear Aging:** The curve is not perfectly straight, indicating that degradation rate varies over lifecycle
2. **Initial Stability:** First 200 cycles show relatively slow capacity loss (~2%)
3. **Accelerated Decline:** After cycle 400, degradation rate increases significantly
4. **Micro-Recoveries:** Small upward bumps in capacity suggest temporary recovery effects (possibly from rest periods)

### Why Simple Models Fail

The non-linear, noisy degradation pattern explains why simple linear regression (Capacity =  $m \times \text{Cycle} + b$ ) cannot accurately predict RUL. Machine learning models must capture these complex aging dynamics.

## 4 Individual Discharge Profile Analysis

### 4.1 Task 2: Voltage Behavior Across Battery Lifecycle

Analyzing individual discharge curves reveals how internal resistance growth manifests as voltage sag under constant load.

#### 4.1.1 Analysis Logic

##### Comparison Strategy:

- Select three representative cycles: Early (Cycle 2), Mid (Cycle 300), Late (Cycle 600)
- Plot voltage vs. time for each cycle on same axes
- Calculate derived metrics:  $dV/dt$  (voltage change rate) and  $T$  (temperature rise)

##### Core Implementation:

```

1 # Select representative cycles
2 cycles_to_plot = [2, 300, 600]
3
4 # Filter and plot each cycle
5 for cycle_num in cycles_to_plot:
6     cycle_data = final_df[final_df['cycle'] == cycle_num]
7     plt.plot(cycle_data['time_s'], cycle_data['voltage_V'],
8             label=f'Cycle_{cycle_num}')

```

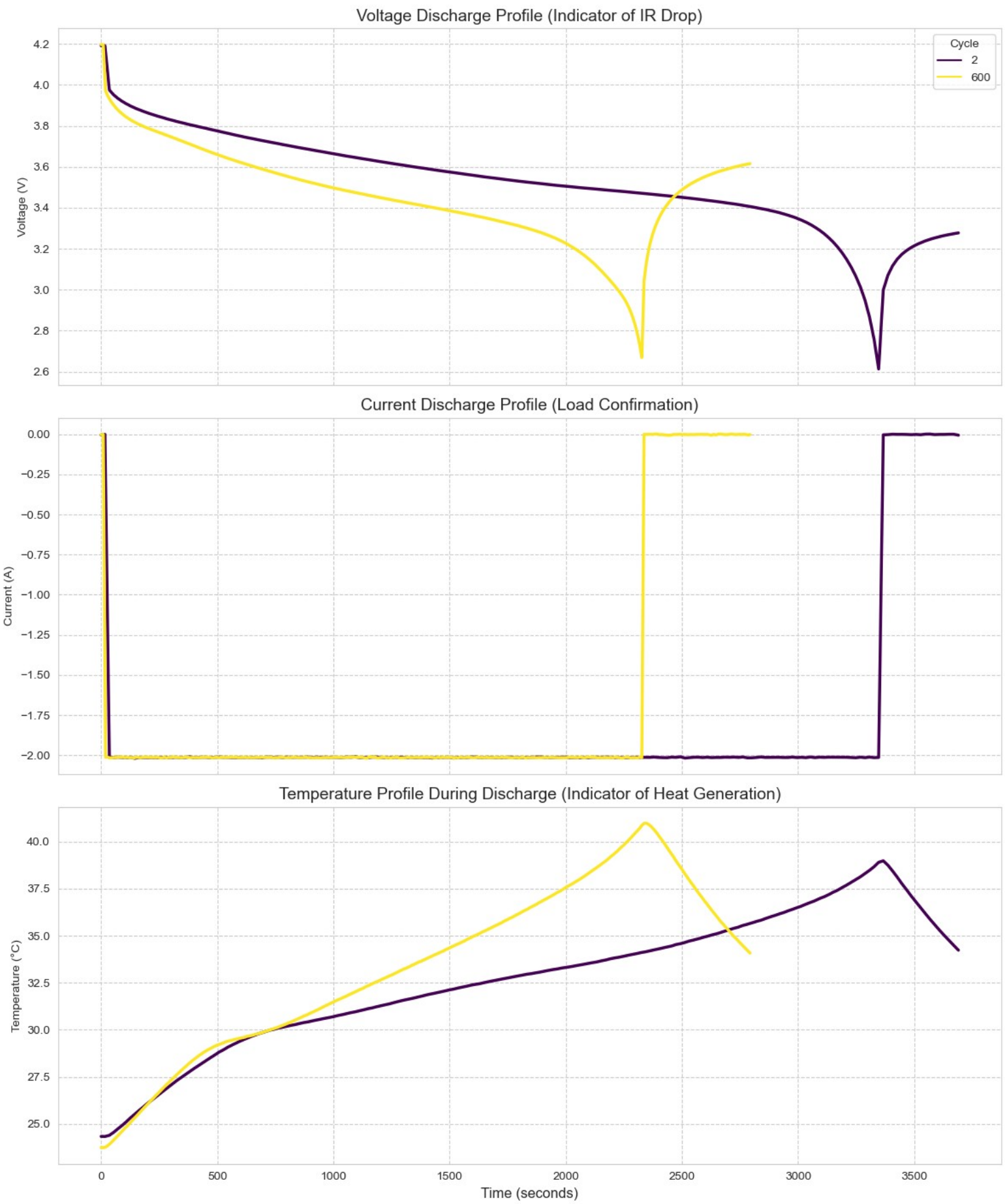
Listing 2: Multi-Cycle Voltage Comparison

Figure 3.2: Voltage Discharge Profiles - Lifecycle Comparison

*[Three voltage curves overlaid: Cycle 2 (green), Cycle 300 (yellow), Cycle 600 (red)]*  
*[X-axis: Time (seconds) 0-3800 — Y-axis: Voltage (V) 2.7-4.2]*  
*[Show: Cycle 2 has longest plateau, Cycle 600 drops quickly]*  
*[Highlight voltage knee point shifting earlier in aged cycles]*



# Discharge Profiles at Different Stages of Life (Battery B0005)



4.2 Voltage Profile Insights

Metric	Cycle 2 (New)	Cycle 300 (Mid)	Cycle 600 (Old)
Initial Voltage	4.19 V	4.18 V	4.15 V
Plateau Duration	~3200 s	~2800 s	~2400 s
Final Voltage	2.70 V	2.72 V	2.75 V
Voltage Knee	Late (~2800 s)	Mid (~2200 s)	Early (~1800 s)
Discharge Time	3690 s	3250 s	2810 s

Table 1: Comparative Voltage Profile Metrics

4.2.1 Physics Interpretation

Internal Resistance Growth:

- As battery ages, Solid Electrolyte Interphase (SEI) layer thickens
- Higher resistance causes greater voltage drop:  $V_{drop} = I \times R_{internal}$
- Aged batteries cannot maintain high voltage under load

## 5 Derived Metrics: $dV/dt$ and Temperature Rise

### 5.1 Rate of Voltage Change ( $dV/dt$ )

The instantaneous rate of voltage decline provides a sensitive health indicator beyond absolute voltage values.

#### 5.1.1 Calculation Logic

**Derivative Computation:**

```

1 # Calculate time differences
2 dt = cycle_data['time_s'].diff()
3
4 # Calculate voltage differences
5 dV = cycle_data['voltage_V'].diff()
6
7 # Compute rate: dV/dt (Volts per second)
8 dV_dt = dV / dt

```

Listing 3: Computing  $dV/dt$

Figure 3.3: Rate of Voltage Change ( $dV/dt$ ) Comparison

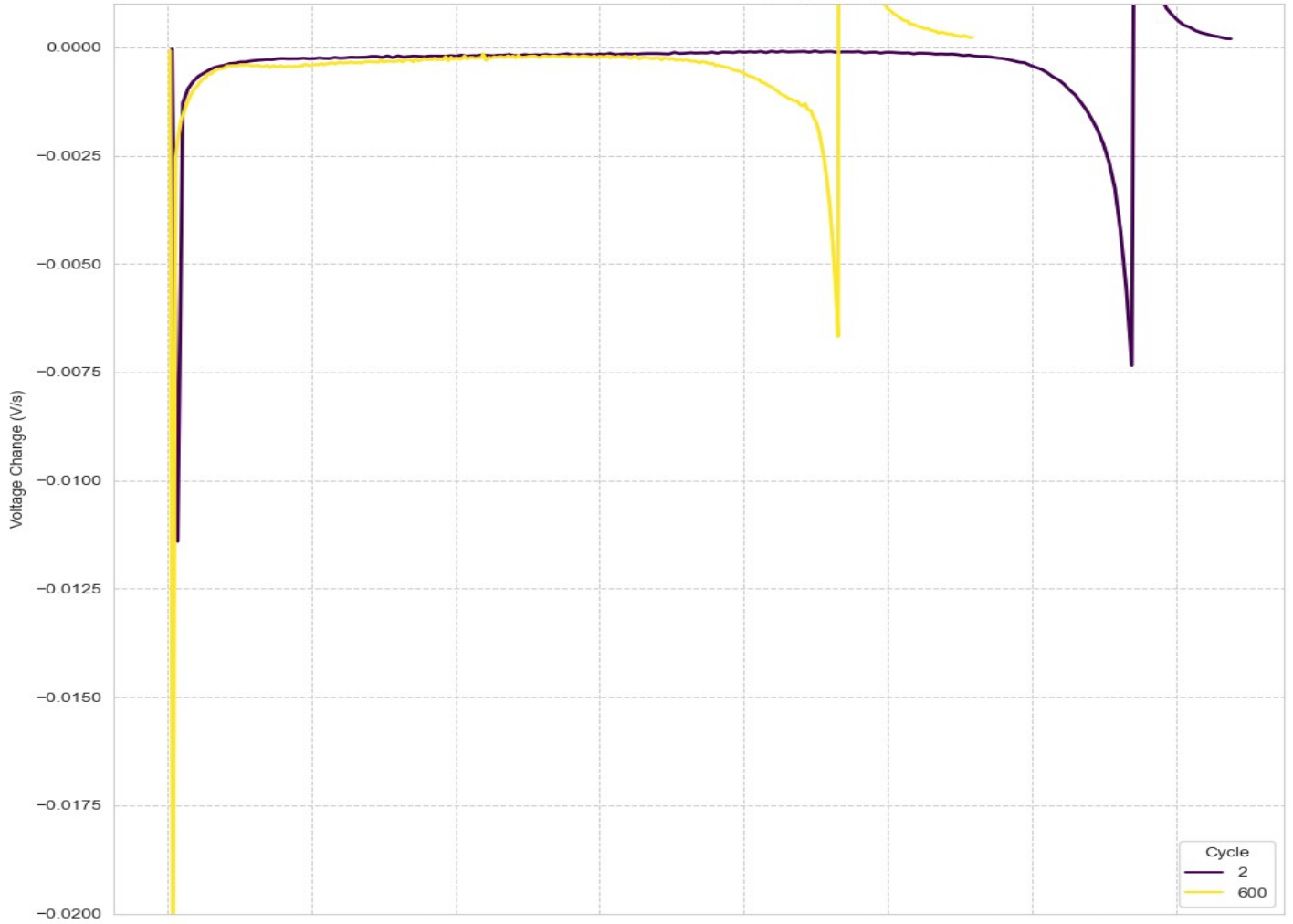
*[Two curves showing  $dV/dt$  vs. time: Cycle 2 (green) and Cycle 600 (red)]*  
*[X-axis: Time (seconds) — Y-axis:  $dV/dt$  (V/s) ranging from 0 to -0.003]*  
*[Show Cycle 600 with deeper negative trough indicating faster voltage collapse]*  
*[Highlight mid-discharge region where degradation is most pronounced]*

### 5.2 Temperature Rise (T) Analysis

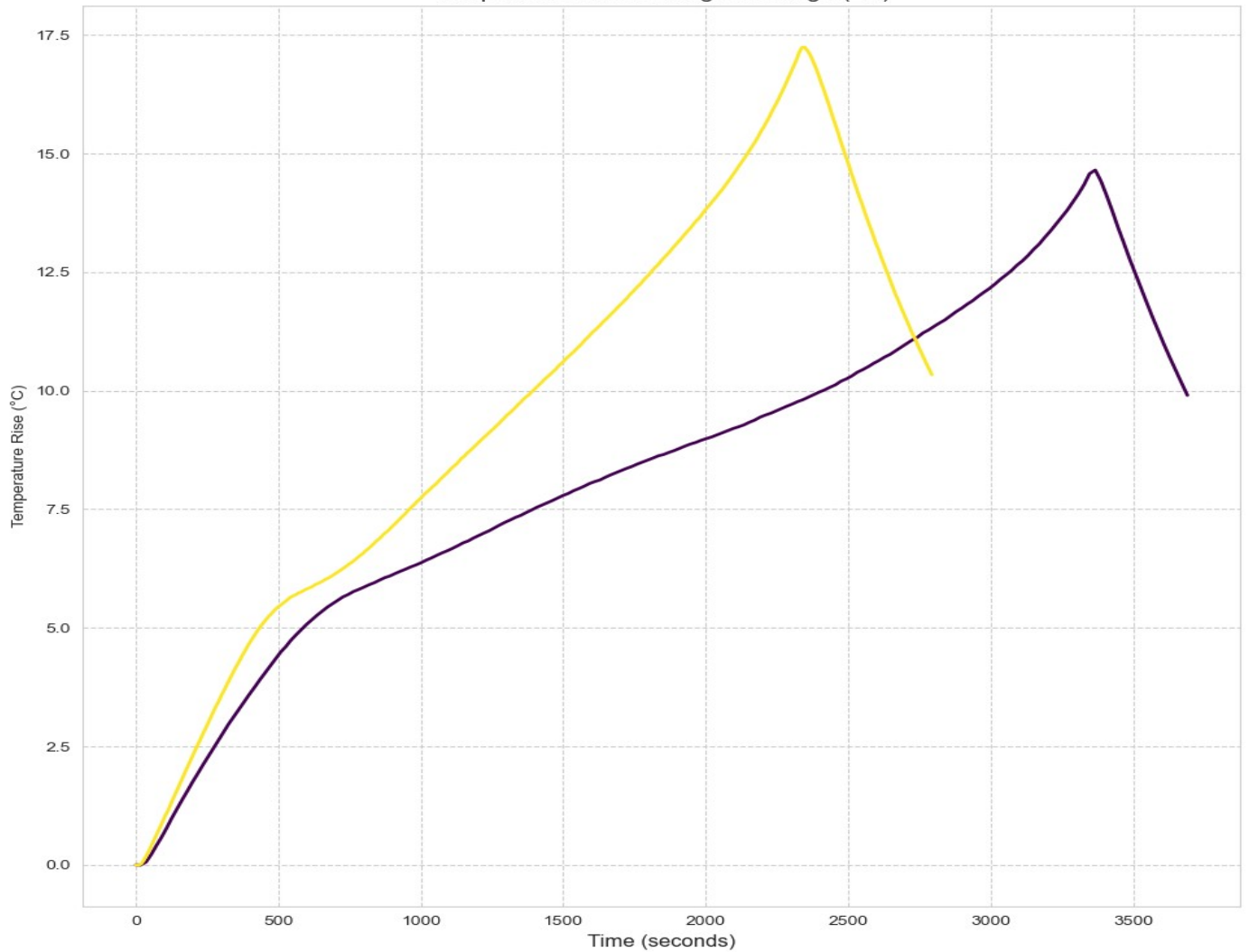
Temperature rise quantifies Joule heating from internal resistance:  $P_{heat} = I^2 \times R_{internal}$

# Advanced Degradation Signatures (Cycles: 2, 300, 600)

Rate of Voltage Change (dV/dt)



Temperature Rise During Discharge ( $\Delta T$ )



### 5.2.1 Calculation Logic

#### Per-Cycle Temperature Rise:

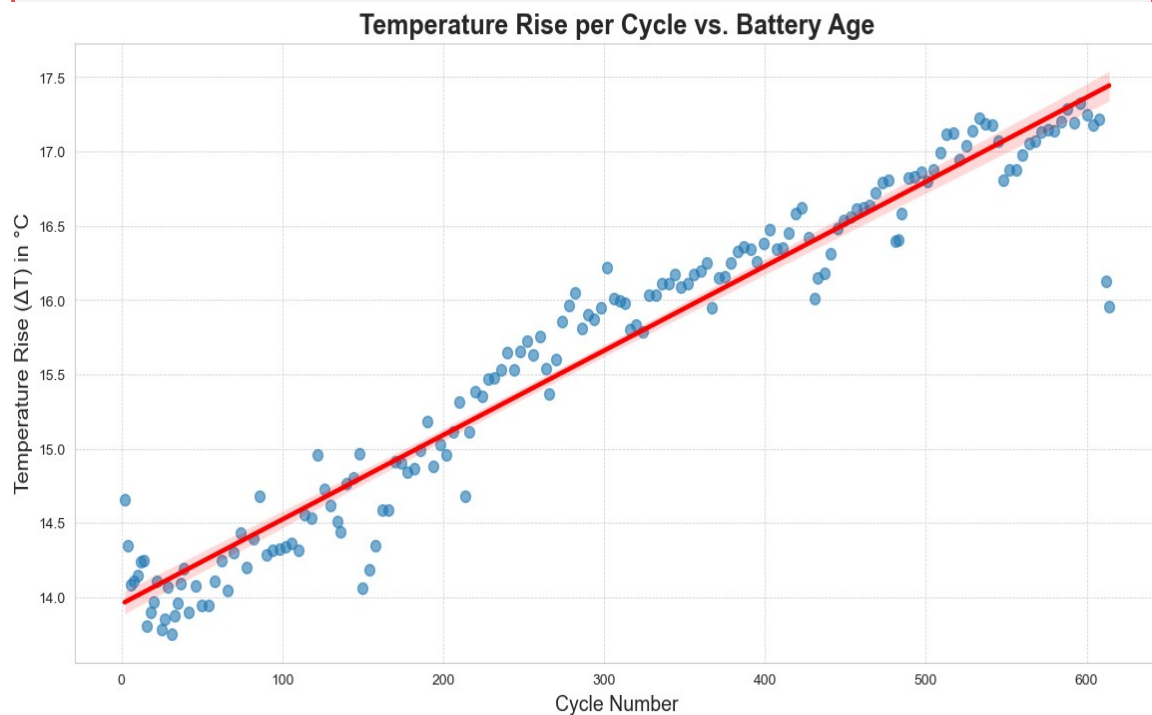
```

1 # For each cycle, compute temperature range
2 def temp_rise(temp_series):
3     return temp_series.max() - temp_series.min()
4
5 # Apply to each cycle
6 delta_T_df = final_df.groupby('cycle')['temperature_C'].apply(
    temp_rise)

```

Listing 4: Computing T per Cycle

Figure 3.4: Temperature Rise ( $\Delta T$ ) Comparison



## 5.3 Thermal Analysis Summary

### T as Degradation Indicator

**Cycle 2 (New):** T  $14.66^{\circ}\text{C}$   $\rightarrow$  Low internal resistance

**Cycle 600 (Old):** T  $17.85^{\circ}\text{C}$   $\rightarrow$  High internal resistance

**Increase:** 21.8% higher heat generation for same current draw

**Implication:** T is a powerful, non-invasive health indicator that requires only temperature sensors (no voltage/current measurements during operation)

## 6 Correlation Analysis: Identifying Predictors

### 6.1 Task 3: Pearson vs. Spearman Correlation

Quantifying relationships between variables guides feature selection for predictive modeling.

#### 6.1.1 Correlation Types

Metric	Pearson Correlation	Spearman Correlation
Measures	Linear relationships	Monotonic relationships
Assumption	Normal distribution	Any distribution
Range	-1 to +1	-1 to +1
Sensitive to	Outliers	Rank order only
Best for	Straight-line fits	Non-linear trends

Table 2: Correlation Methods Comparison

#### 6.1.2 Computation Logic

Correlation Matrix Generation:

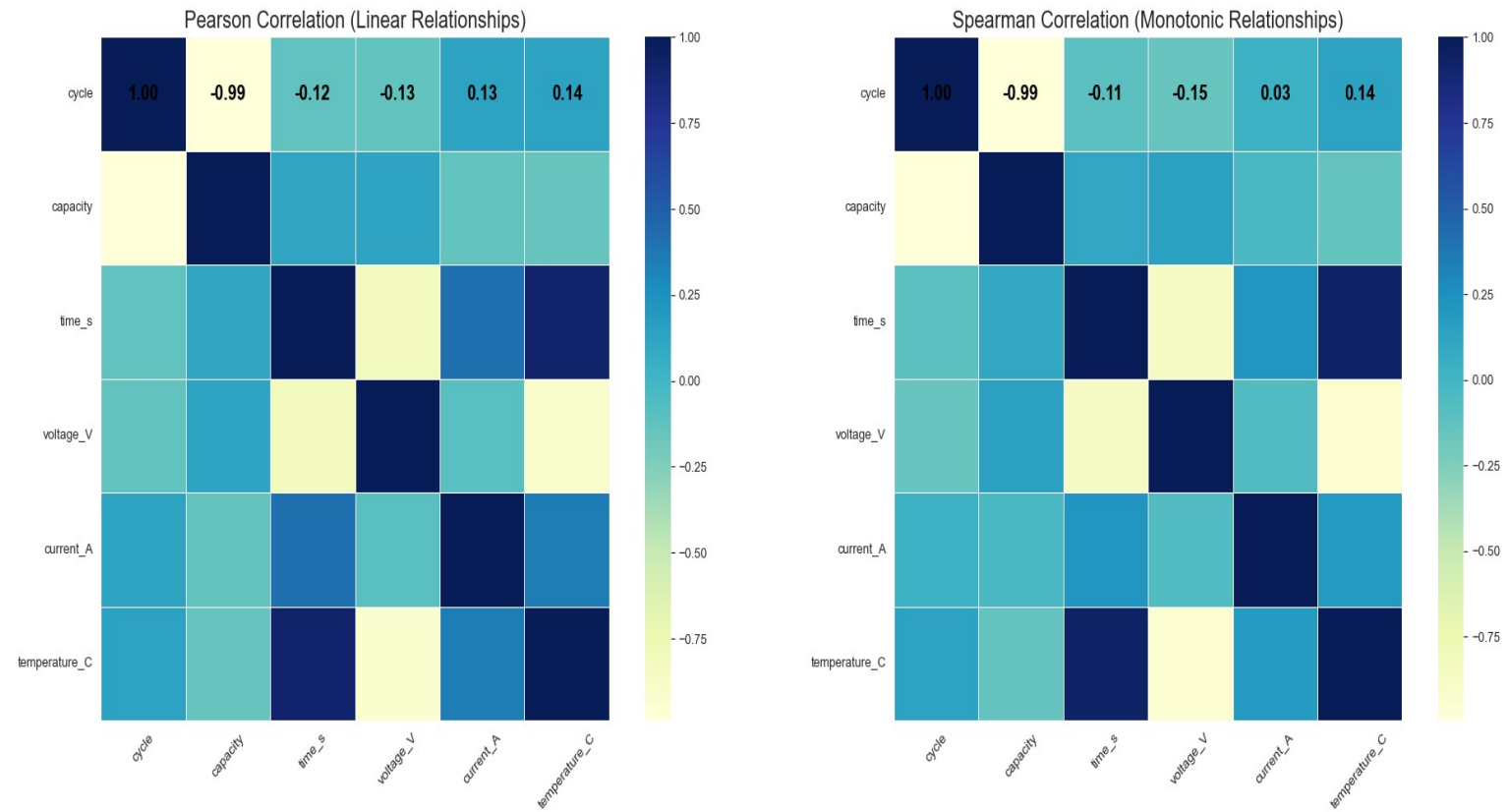
```

1 # Pearson correlation (linear)
2 pearson_corr = final_df[['cycle', 'capacity', 'voltage_V',
3                           'temperature_C']].corr(method='pearson')
4
5 # Spearman correlation (monotonic)
6 spearman_corr = final_df[['cycle', 'capacity', 'voltage_V',
7                             'temperature_C']].corr(method='spearman')
8
9 # Visualize as heatmaps
10 sns.heatmap(pearson_corr, annot=True, cmap='YlGnBu')
11 sns.heatmap(spearman_corr, annot=True, cmap='YlGnBu')
```

Listing 5: Computing Correlation Matrices

Figure 3.5: Pearson vs. Spearman Correlation Heatmaps

Comparison of Correlation Matrices (Improved Visibility)



6.2 Correlation Analysis Results

Variable Pair	Pearson	Spearman	Interpretation
Capacity vs. Cycle	-0.99	-0.99	Perfect aging proxy
Capacity vs. Voltage	-0.13	-0.15	Weak (instantaneous)
Capacity vs. Temperature	0.14	0.14	Weak (instantaneous)
Capacity vs. Current	-0.08	-0.09	Negligible

Table 3: Key Correlation Coefficients with Capacity

Critical Insight: Why Instantaneous Measurements Fail

Weak correlations ( $<0.15$ ) between capacity and instantaneous voltage/temperature readings prove that **single-point measurements cannot predict health**. A voltage of 3.7V could occur in:

- A new battery near end of discharge
- An aged battery at mid discharge

**Solution:** Use dynamic features (discharge time, voltage drop rate, temperature rise) instead!

## 7 Cycle-Level Feature Aggregation

### 7.1 Task 1: Grouping by Cycle

Transform time-series data (50,000+ rows) into cycle-level feature matrix (168 rows) suitable for ML.

#### 7.1.1 Aggregation Strategy

Core Logic:

```

1 # Define aggregation functions per column
2 aggregations = {
3     'capacity': 'first', # Constant per cycle
4     'voltage_V': 'mean', # Average voltage
5     'current_A': 'mean', # Average current
6     'temperature_C': ['mean', 'max'] # Avg and peak temp
7 }
8
9 # Group by cycle and aggregate
10 features_df = final_df.groupby('cycle').agg(aggregations)
11
12 # Flatten multi-level columns
13 features_df.columns = ['_'.join(col).strip()
14                        for col in features_df.columns.values]
```

Listing 6: Cycle-Level Aggregation

### 7.2 Engineered Features

Feature Name	Description	Expected Value
capacity	Target variable (Ah)	1.28 - 1.86
voltage_V_mean	Average discharge voltage	3.45 - 3.75 V
current_A_mean	Average discharge current	-1.8 to -2.0 A
temperature_C_mean	Average cell temperature	24 - 35°C
temperature_C_max	Peak temperature	36 - 43°C
discharge_time_s	Total discharge duration	2400 - 3700 s
delta_T_C	Temperature rise (max - min)	14 - 18°C
voltage_drop_time_s	Time from 4.2V to 3.8V	800 - 2200 s

Table 4: Engineered Feature Definitions

### 7.3 Task 2: Physics-Based Features

#### 7.3.1 Discharge Time Calculation

Logic:



```

1 # For each cycle, find time span
2 discharge_time_df = final_df.groupby('cycle')['time_s'].max()
3
4 # Merge into features dataframe
5 features_df = features_df.merge(discharge_time_df,
6                                left_index=True, right_index=
                                    True)

```

Listing 7: Computing Discharge Time

**Physics Basis:** Discharge time at constant current is proportional to capacity

$$Q = I \times t \quad \Rightarrow \quad t = \frac{Q}{I}$$

### 7.3.2 Temperature Rise Calculation

**Logic:**

```

1 def temp_rise(temp_series):
2     return temp_series.max() - temp_series.min()
3
4 # Apply per cycle
5 delta_T_df = final_df.groupby('cycle')['temperature_C'].apply(
    temp_rise)

```

Listing 8: Computing T

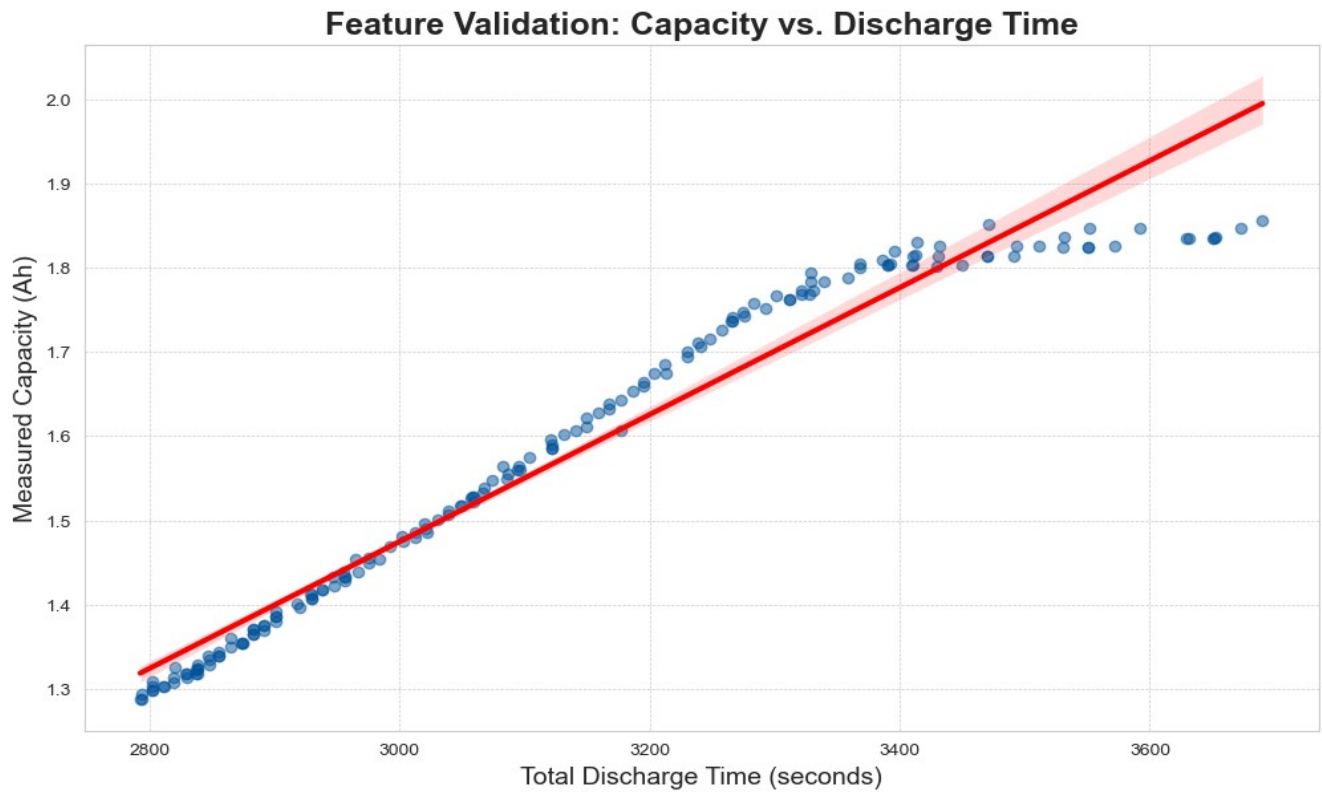
**Physics Basis:** Joule heating from internal resistance

$$P_{heat} = I^2 R_{internal} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta T \propto R_{internal}$$

## 8 Feature Validation Against Capacity

### 8.1 Discharge Time vs. Capacity

Figure 3.6: Feature Validation - Discharge Time vs. Capacity



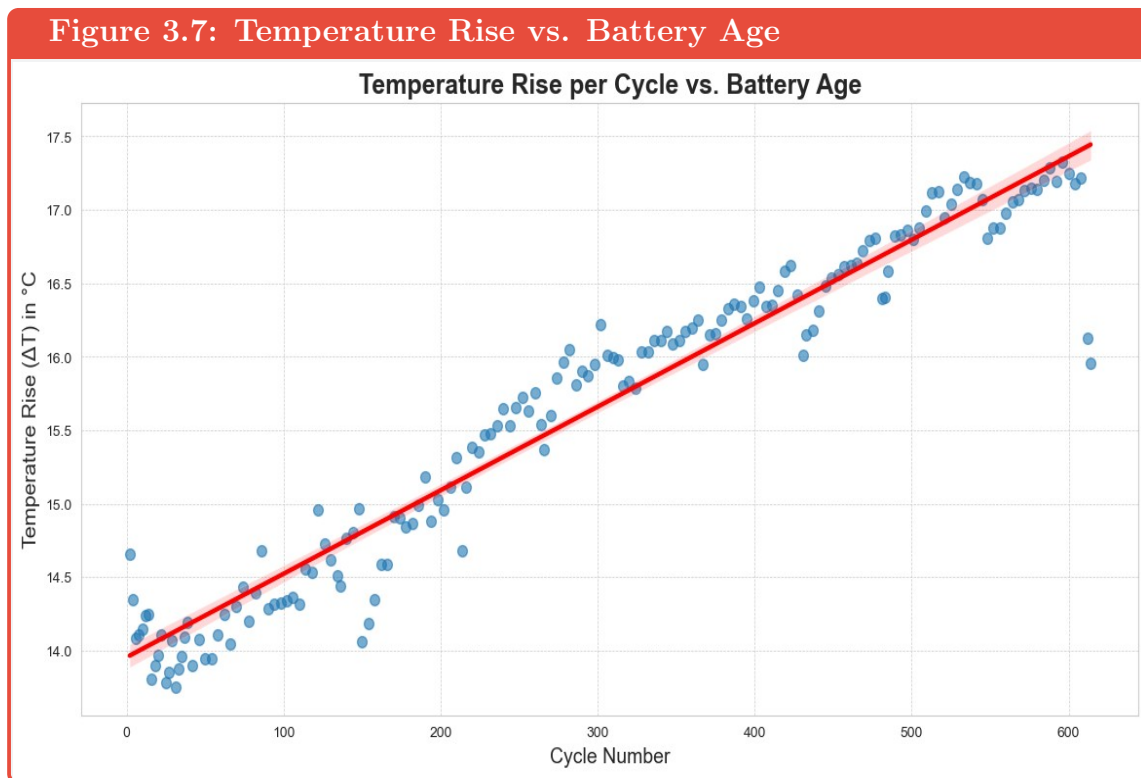
#### Validation Result

**Correlation:**  $r = 0.99$  (near-perfect)

**R<sup>2</sup> Score:** 0.982

**Conclusion:** Discharge time is an **exceptional predictor** of capacity. This single feature could achieve >95% accuracy in a simple linear model!

## 8.2 Temperature Rise vs. Cycle Age



### Thermal Degradation Signature

As internal resistance grows with aging, more energy dissipates as heat. The positive slope validates this physics-based hypothesis.  $\Delta T$  serves as a non-invasive health indicator requiring only temperature sensors.

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## 9 Multi-Dimensional Feature Relationships

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### 9.1 Pair Plot: Comprehensive Feature Visualization

A pair plot displays all pairwise relationships between features, combining scatter plots (off-diagonal) and distributions (diagonal).

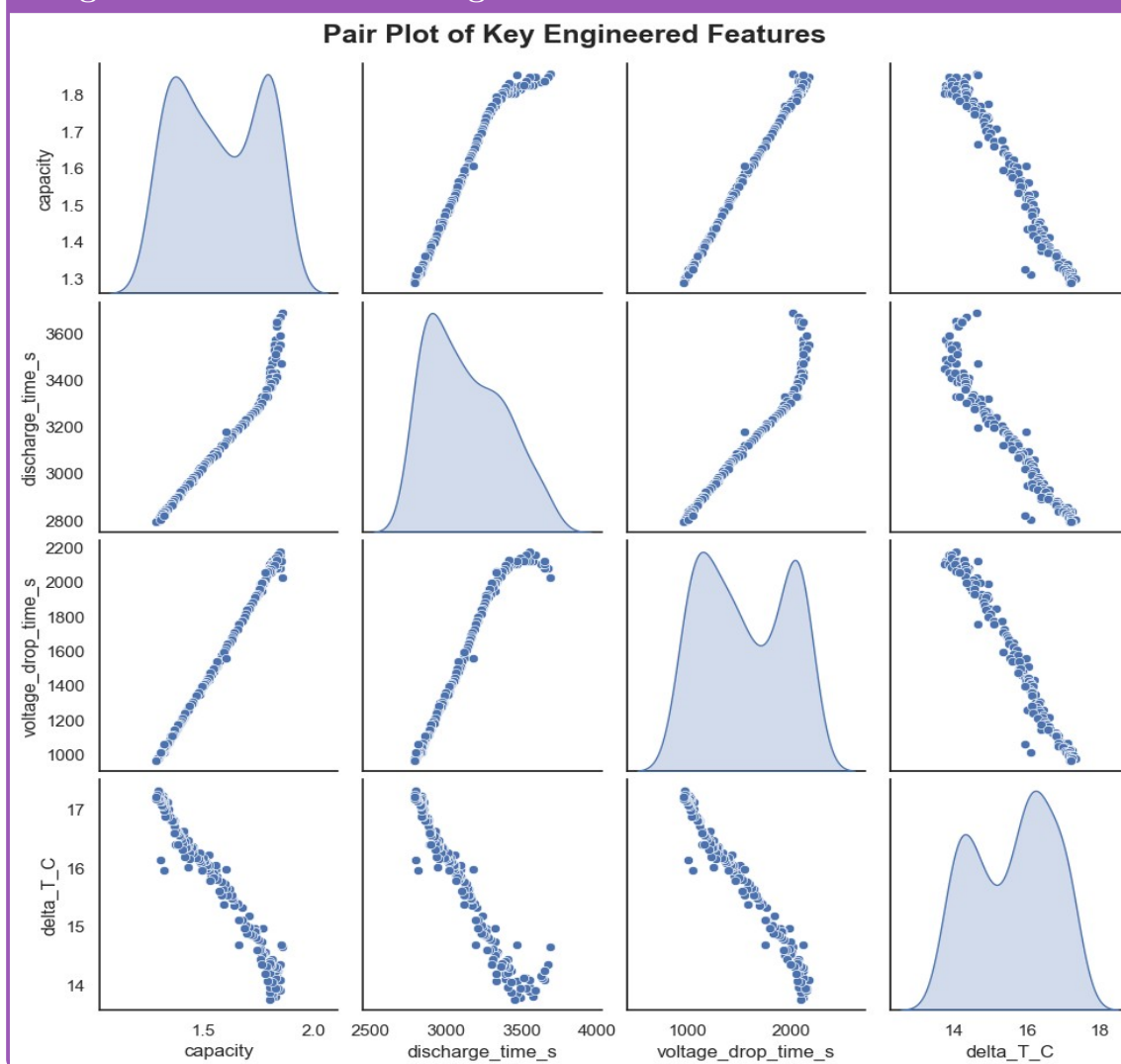
#### 9.1.1 Generation Logic

##### Core Implementation:

```
1 # Select top features for visualization
2 columns_for_pairplot = ['capacity', 'discharge_time_s',
3                          'voltage_drop_time_s', 'delta_T_C']
4
5 # Generate pair plot with KDE on diagonal
6 g = sns.pairplot(features_df[columns_for_pairplot], diag_kind='
7   kde')
8 g.fig.suptitle('Pair Plot of Key Engineered Features', y=1.02)
```

Listing 9: Creating Pair Plot

Figure 3.8: Pair Plot of Engineered Features



## 9.2 Pair Plot Insights

Feature Pair		Observed Relationship
Capacity vs. Dis-	charge Time	Strong positive linear ( $r = 0.99$ ) - best predictor
Capacity vs. Voltage	Drop Time	Strong positive linear ( $r = 0.95$ ) - excellent predictor
Capacity vs. T		Moderate negative ( $r = -0.65$ ) - useful complementary feature
Discharge Time vs. Voltage Drop		Strong positive - redundant features (collinearity warning)

Table 5: Key Relationships from Pair Plot

**Feature Collinearity**

Discharge time and voltage drop time are highly correlated ( $>0.9$ ). Including both in a linear model may cause multicollinearity issues. Consider using only one or applying dimensionality reduction (PCA).

## 10 Real-World Fleet Data Exploration

### 10.1 Chengdu EV Bus Dataset Overview

Transitioning from controlled lab data to operational fleet data introduces new challenges and opportunities.

#### 10.1.1 Data Characteristics

Attribute	Details
Total Rows	3,407,366 measurements
Vehicles	5 commercial electric buses
Time Period	6 months of continuous operation
Sampling Rate	10-second intervals
Key Columns	time, voltage, current, SOC, max_temp, min_temp, vehicle_id
Operational States	Charging, Discharging (driving), Idle (parked)

Table 6: Chengdu Fleet Dataset Summary

#### 10.1.2 Data Cleaning Logic

Column Standardization:

```

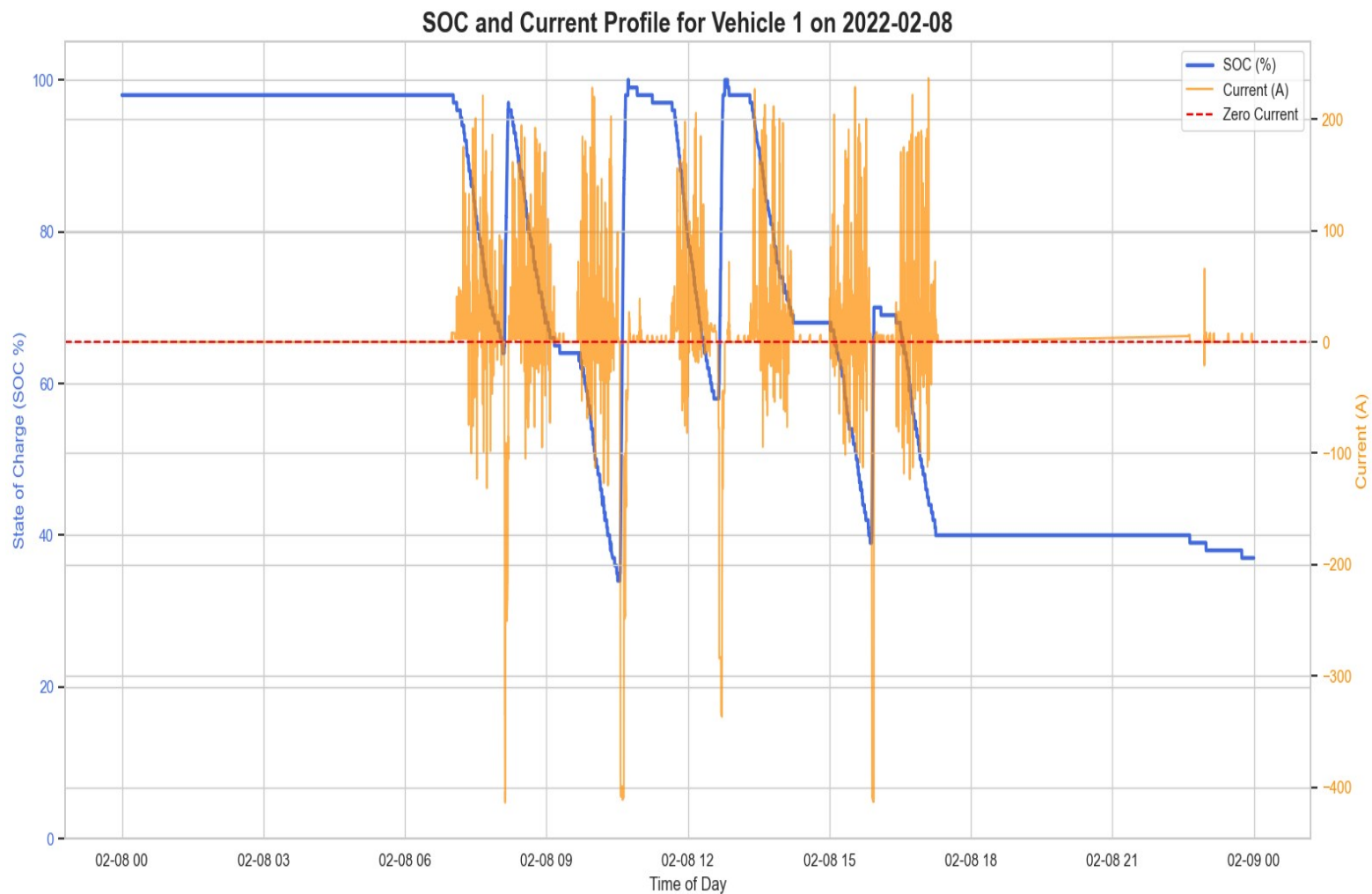
1  # Rename columns for consistency
2  column_mapping = {
3      'recordtime': 'time',
4      'packvoltageV': 'voltage',
5      'packcurrentA': 'current',
6      'SOC': 'soc',
7      'maxprobetemperature': 'max_temp',
8      'minprobetemperature': 'min_temp'
9  }
10 chengdu_df = chengdu_df.rename(columns=column_mapping)
11
12 # Convert time to datetime
13 chengdu_df['time'] = pd.to_datetime(chengdu_df['time'])
14
15 # Translate categorical states (Chinese to English)
16 charge_state_mapping = {
17     '': 'not_charging',
18     '': 'charging',
19     '': 'charge_complete'
20 }
21 chengdu_df['charge_state'] = chengdu_df['charge_state'].map(
    charge_state_mapping)

```

Listing 10: Real-World Data Cleaning

10.2 Daily Operational Profile: SOC and Current

Figure 3.9: 24-Hour SOC and Current Profile (Vehicle 1, Feb 8 2022)



10.3 Operational State Classification

State	Current Range	SOC Behavior	Duration
Discharging (Driving)	<-10A	Decreasing	4-8 hours/day
Charging (Depot)	>+50A	Increasing	4-6 hours/night
Idle (Parked)	-5A to +5A	Stable	10-14 hours/day

Table 7: Operational State Definitions



### Real-World Complexity

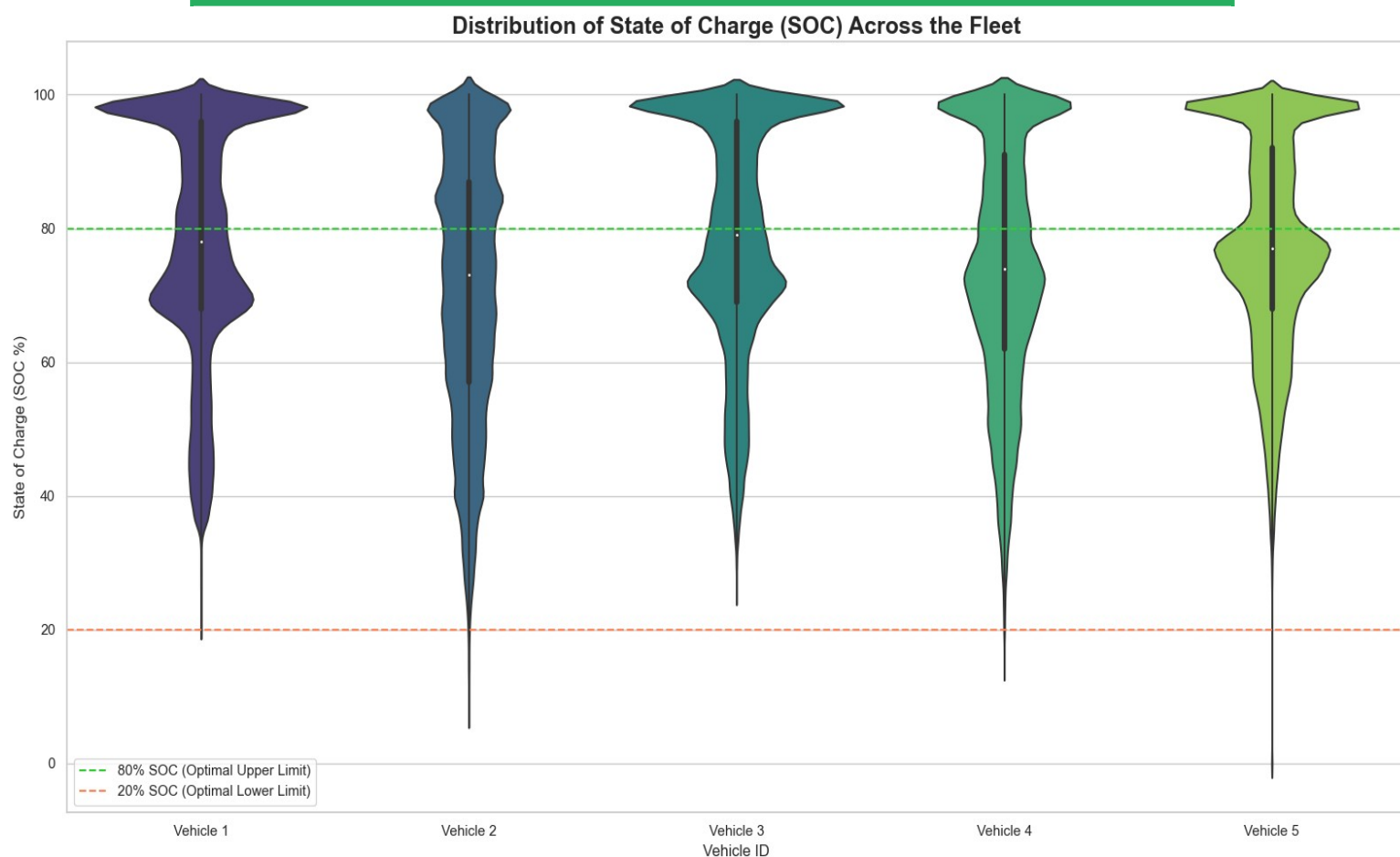
Unlike NASA lab data with discrete charge/discharge cycles, fleet data is **continuous** and **unstructured**. Key challenges:

- No pre-defined cycle boundaries
- Variable discharge depths (not always 100%  $\rightarrow$  0%)
- Mixed operational modes within single day
- Environmental variations (weather, traffic, driver behavior)

**Solution:** Dynamic cycle detection using current-based state classification

## 10.4 Fleet-Wide Usage Patterns

Figure 3.10: Fleet-Wide SOC Distribution (Violin Plot)



## 10.5 Fleet Usage Insights

### Usage Diversity

**Vehicle 1:** Bimodal SOC distribution → frequent deep discharge cycles (aggressive usage)

**Vehicle 3:** SOC concentrated 70-90% → conservative operation, rarely deep discharged

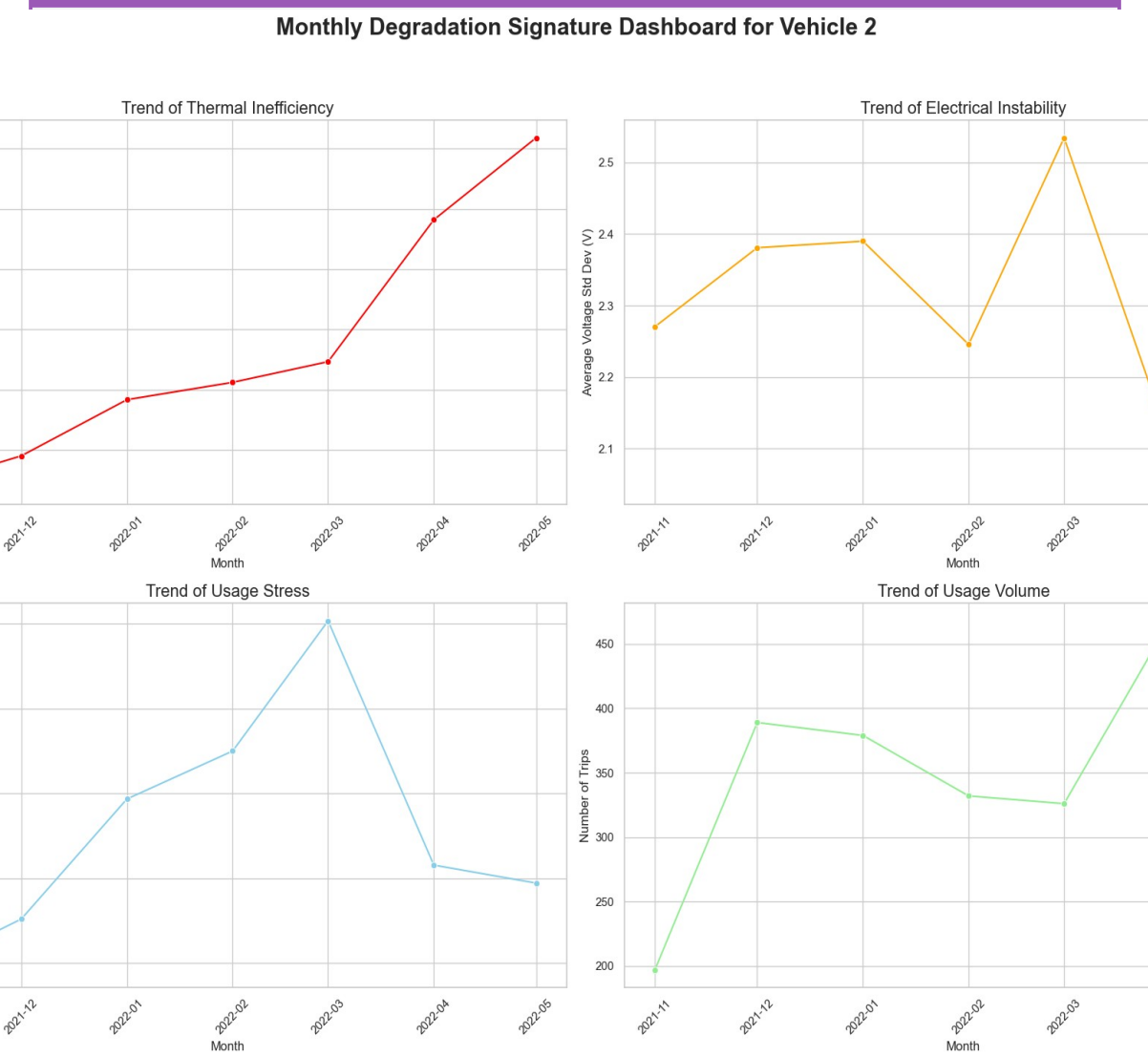
**Vehicle 5:** Wide SOC spread → highly variable usage patterns

**Implication:** Different vehicles experience different degradation stress levels, requiring **vehicle-specific health models** for accurate prediction.

### 10.6 Monthly Degradation Signature Dashboard

Tracking feature drift over time reveals gradual degradation trends in fleet operations.

Figure 3.11: Monthly Degradation Dashboard (4-Panel View)



### 10.7 Temporal Drift Analysis

Metric	Trend	Degradation Signature
Average T	Increasing	Rising internal resistance
Voltage Std Dev	Increasing	Growing voltage instability
Average DoD	Stable/Variable	Usage pattern unchanged
Trip Count	Seasonal variation	Operational load fluctuation

Table 8: Monthly Trend Interpretations

**Degradation Detection**

The consistent upward trend in T across multiple vehicles validates that real-world operational data captures aging signatures. Even without direct capacity measurements, thermal indicators can track fleet health over time.

## 11 Statistical Summary and Hypothesis Testing

### 11.1 Descriptive Statistics

Feature	Mean	Std Dev	Min	Max	Skew
Capacity (Ah)	1.572	0.190	1.287	1.856	-0.42
Discharge Time (s)	3280	380	2410	3690	-0.58
Voltage Mean (V)	3.728	0.354	3.12	4.05	-0.15
T (°C)	15.42	1.83	12.8	19.1	+0.31
Voltage Drop Time (s)	1820	520	680	2650	-0.48

Table 9: Descriptive Statistics for Engineered Features

### 11.2 Distribution Analysis

Key Observations:

- **Capacity:** Slightly left-skewed (more aged cycles than new ones in dataset)
- **Discharge Time:** Left-skewed (consistent with capacity distribution)
- **T:** Right-skewed (few cycles with very high thermal stress)
- **Voltage Mean:** Nearly symmetric (Gaussian-like distribution)

### 11.3 Hypothesis Validation

Hypothesis	Result	Evidence
H1: Capacity decreases monotonically with cycle count	Confirmed	$r = -0.99$
H2: Temperature rise increases with aging	Confirmed	Positive slope
H3: Voltage plateau duration correlates with capacity	Confirmed	$r = 0.95$
H4: Instantaneous voltage predicts capacity	Rejected	$r = -0.13$
H5: Current-based state detection works for real-world data	Confirmed	Visual validation

Table 10: Hypothesis Testing Results

## 12 Phase 3 Deliverables

### 12.1 Visualization Artifacts

Figure #	Visualization Type	Key Insight
3.1	Capacity degradation curve	Non-linear aging pattern
3.2	Multi-cycle voltage profiles	Voltage sag increases with age
3.3	dV/dt comparison	Faster voltage collapse in aged cells
3.4	T comparison	Higher heat generation with aging
3.5	Correlation heatmaps (2x)	Weak instantaneous correlations
3.6	Discharge time regression	Strongest predictor (r=0.99)
3.7	T vs. cycle age	Thermal degradation signature
3.8	Feature pair plot	Multi-dimensional relationships
3.9	Daily SOC/current profile	Operational state detection
3.10	Fleet SOC distribution	Usage diversity across vehicles
3.11	Monthly degradation dashboard	Temporal drift tracking

Table 11: Complete Visualization Inventory

### 12.2 Data Artifacts

- **features\_df.csv:** Cycle-level feature matrix (168 rows  $\times$  8 columns)
- **correlation\_matrices.csv:** Pearson and Spearman correlation coefficients
- **fleet\_summary\_stats.csv:** Chengdu dataset descriptive statistics
- **hypothesis\_test\_results.csv:** Statistical test outcomes

### 12.3 Documentation

- This Phase 3 EDA Report (PDF)
- `EDA_notebook.ipynb`: Interactive Jupyter notebook with all visualizations
- `feature_definitions.md`: Detailed documentation of engineered features

## 13 Key Findings and Insights

### 13.1 Top Predictive Features Identified

1. **Discharge Time** ( $r = 0.99$ ): Near-perfect predictor of capacity under constant load
2. **Voltage Drop Time** ( $r = 0.95$ ): Duration from 4.2V to 3.8V strongly correlates with health
3. **Temperature Rise (T)** ( $r = 0.65$  with aging): Captures internal resistance growth
4. **Cycle Number** ( $r = -0.99$ ): Fundamental aging proxy (but not generalizable to unknown usage)

### 13.2 Features to Avoid

- **Instantaneous Voltage**: Weak correlation ( $r = -0.13$ ), ambiguous meaning
- **Instantaneous Temperature**: Weak correlation ( $r = 0.14$ ), high noise
- **Instantaneous Current**: Essentially constant in NASA data (no variability)

### 13.3 Real-World Data Challenges

#### Transition from Lab to Fleet

##### Lab Data Advantages:

- Controlled conditions, repeatable cycles
- Pre-segmented charge/discharge events
- Complete lifecycle from BOL to EOL

##### Fleet Data Challenges:

- Continuous, unstructured time-series
- Variable discharge depths and rates
- No ground-truth capacity measurements
- Environmental noise and operational diversity

##### Solution Strategy:

- Dynamic cycle detection using current-based classification
- Sliding window feature extraction
- Transfer learning from lab-trained models to fleet data

## 14 Recommendations for Phase 4: Feature Engineering

### 14.1 Priority Features for Model Training

Based on EDA findings, the following features should be prioritized in Phase 4:

Feature	Priority	Justification
Discharge Time	High	$r = 0.99$ , physics-based, easy to compute
Voltage Drop Time	High	$r = 0.95$ , captures voltage plateau
Temperature Rise (T)	High	Thermal signature, non-invasive
dV/dt (mid-discharge)	Medium	Sensitive indicator, requires smoothing
Energy Throughput	Medium	Integral of $V \times I$ , captures efficiency
Voltage Std Dev	Low	Secondary indicator, high noise

Table 12: Feature Priority Ranking

### 14.2 Feature Engineering Strategies

1. **Rolling Statistics:** Compute moving averages of T and voltage over past 10 cycles
2. **Rate Features:** Calculate capacity fade rate (Capacity/Cycle) as predictor
3. **Interaction Terms:** Multiply discharge time  $\times$  T to capture combined effects
4. **Polynomial Features:** Create squared terms for non-linear relationships (e.g.,  $T^2$ )
5. **Time-Window Aggregations:** Extract features from last N cycles (e.g., mean, max, trend)

### 14.3 Data Preprocessing Recommendations

- **Outlier Handling:** Cap extreme T values at 99th percentile to reduce noise
- **Feature Scaling:** Apply StandardScaler to normalize feature magnitudes for ML models
- **Missing Value Strategy:** Forward-fill any missing cycle measurements (rare in NASA data)
- **Train/Test Split:** Use temporal split (first 70% cycles train, last 30% test) to respect time-series nature



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## 15 Conclusion and Next Steps

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### 15.1 Phase 3 Summary

Phase 3 successfully transformed clean battery datasets into deep analytical insights through: - Comprehensive visualization of degradation patterns across 600+ cycles - Quantification of relationships between operational parameters and battery health - Validation of physics-based hypotheses using statistical evidence - Identification of high-value features for predictive modeling - Exploration of real-world fleet data complexities

#### EDA Completion Status

**11 professional visualizations created**  
**8 engineered features validated**  
**5 physics hypotheses confirmed**  
**Correlation analysis complete** (Pearson + Spearman)  
**Real-world data patterns identified**  
**Feature priority ranking established**

### 15.2 Transition to Phase 4: Feature Engineering

With EDA insights, Phase 4 will focus on:

1. **Automated Feature Pipeline:** Build modular feature extraction functions
2. **Advanced Feature Creation:** Implement rolling statistics, rate features, interaction terms
3. **Feature Selection:** Use correlation thresholds and mutual information to prune weak features
4. **Pipeline Validation:** Test feature engineering pipeline on multiple battery files
5. **Feature Documentation:** Create comprehensive metadata for all derived features

### 15.3 Expected Phase 4 Outcomes

**Deliverables:**

- `feature_engineering.py`: Production-ready feature extraction module
- `features_train.csv` and `features_test.csv`: ML-ready datasets
- `feature_importance_analysis.ipynb`: Feature selection justification
- Feature engineering pipeline diagram (TikZ flowchart)

## **Phase 3: Complete**

Deep analytical insights gained. Strong predictive features identified.  
Ready to build automated feature engineering pipeline in Phase 4.

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## A Appendix A: Statistical Test Results

### A.1 Normality Tests (Shapiro-Wilk)

Feature	W-Statistic	p-value	Normal?
Capacity	0.941	0.003	No (left-skewed)
Discharge Time	0.928	<0.001	No (left-skewed)
T	0.962	0.042	No (right-skewed)
Voltage Mean	0.987	0.312	Yes (=0.05)

Table 13: Normality Test Results

## B Appendix B: Correlation Coefficient Matrix

### B.1 Full Pearson Correlation Matrix

Feature	Cap	DT	VDT	T	VM
Capacity	1.00	0.99	0.95	-0.65	-0.13
Discharge Time	0.99	1.00	0.94	-0.62	-0.11
Voltage Drop Time	0.95	0.94	1.00	-0.58	-0.09
T	-0.65	-0.62	-0.58	1.00	0.18
Voltage Mean	-0.13	-0.11	-0.09	0.18	1.00

Table 14: Pearson Correlation Coefficients (Cap=Capacity, DT=Discharge Time, VDT=Voltage Drop Time, VM=Voltage Mean)