

Accumulator Simulated Load Experiment: EXP-01

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This document contains information about how to set up an experiment to simulate the operation of the accumulator. A simulated load is used for this acquisition. Both one pack and all four in series are documented here.

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Desired objectives

This experiment should characterize how the packs perform safely. To achieve this the packs will discharge into a simulated load. This will be done in two steps. The first experiment will verify that an individual pack can deliver the expected current. The second experiment will ensure that all of the packs can work together to ensure that the correct current can be driven into the load at the right voltage.

The nominal voltage of 4 packs in series is 89.6VDC. For one pack it is 22.4V. The maximum current that the packs will be asked to draw is 200A. The maximum anticipated voltage is 106.4VDC. The experiments are designed to ensure that no more than 200 A will be drawn in any circumstance.

To run these test a safety plan must have already been agreed and accepted by the ECE Director of Laboratories.

Required Hardware

- 4 Packs in series
- Simulated load
- Basic GLV safety loop
- PPE per safety plan
- Danger zone per safety plan
- Cables as specified in Appendix A
- Temperature Probe
- Multimeter

Required Software

None

Hardware Setup

Single pack

Since there are 4 different setups there are sometimes different wires required. If this is the case then all four are listed as:

- Pack 1
- Pack 2
- Pack 3
- Pack 4

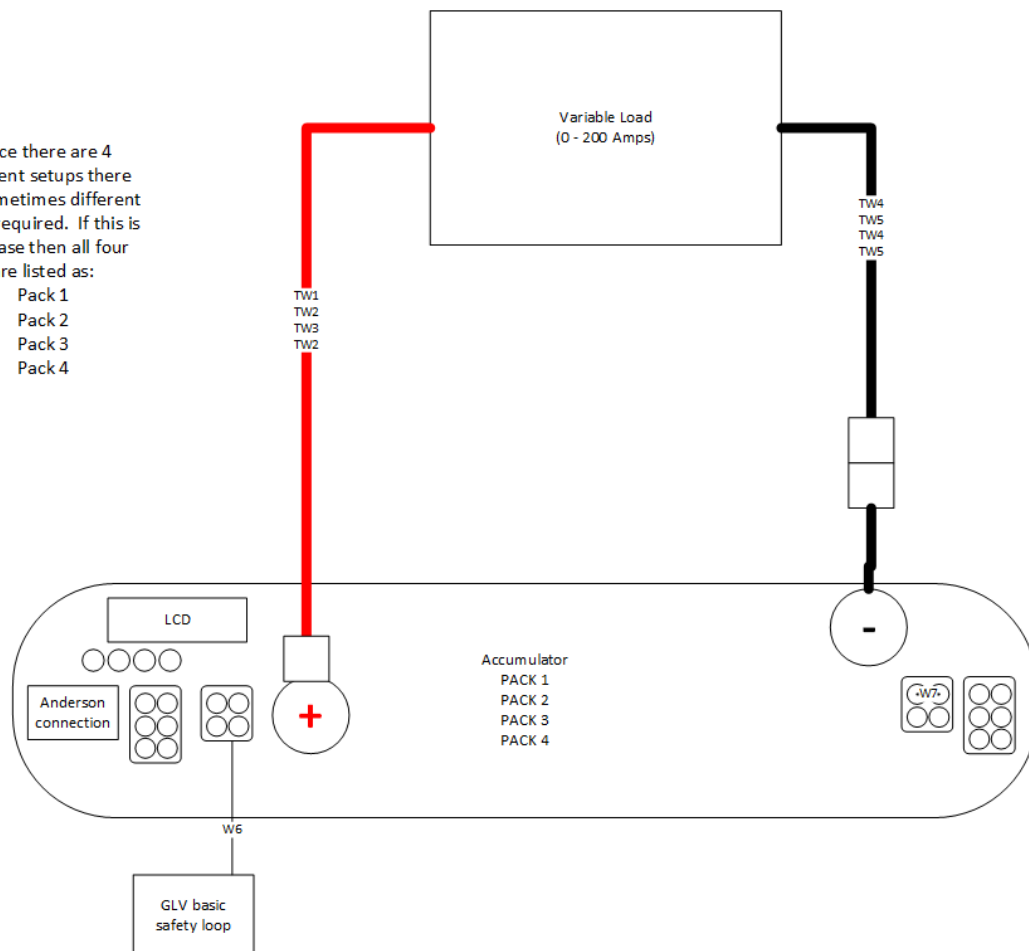


Figure 1 Single pack connections

Full accumulator setup

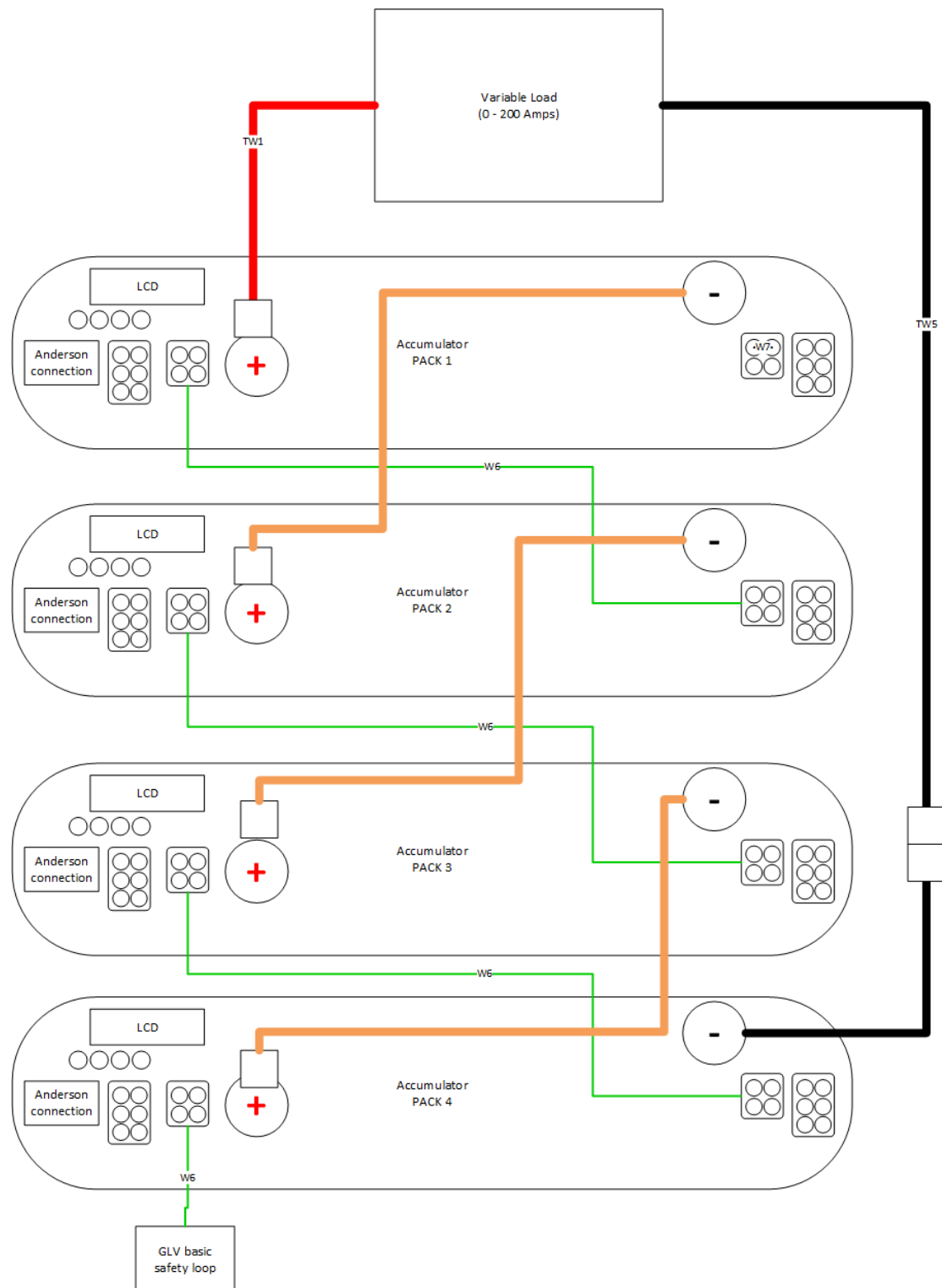


Figure 2 Full 4 cell test

Software Setup

N/A

Data

Perform full stress test and ramp the desired current up to 200 Amps.

Desired data

It is desired to get for both the single pack and the chain of packs:

- Thévenin voltage
- Temperature of cells

Thévenin Voltage

Check all packs individually from 0 Amps to 200 Amps to be able to characterize the Thévenin equivalent. Add more rows as appropriate. Pay careful attention to measuring the voltage away from the cells, a correction factor may be needed to deal with voltage loss.

Pack	Current	Voltage at load

Check chain of packs from 0 Amps to 200 Amps.

Current	Voltage at load

Temperature

While testing ensure that no part of the pack gets 40C above ambient temperature.

Witness/examiner signature

Date

Pass/Fail

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Pin	Color	Label	Wiring Diagram	Notes	
1	WHT	SL1	<p>Safety Loop 16/4 Cable</p>	1 WHT SL1	
2	BRN	SL2		2 BRN SL2	
3	RED	AIRs+		3 RED AIRs+	
4	BLK	AIRs-		4 BLK AIRs-	
1	WHT	SL1	<p>Safety Loop Terminator 16/1 Cable</p>	1 Jump pin	
2	BRN	SL2		2 1 and 2	
3	RED	AIRs+		3 Leave pin	
4	BLK	AIRs-		4 3 and 4	
1	RED	TSV HV	<p>Pack 1 + 2/0 Cable</p>	Bare	1 RED TSV HV
1	RED	TSV HV	<p>Pack 2/4 + 2/0 Cable</p>	Bare	1 RED TSV HV
1	RED	TSV HV	<p>Pack 3 + 2/0 Cable</p>	Bare	1 RED TSV HV
1	RED	TSV HV	<p>Pack 1 and 3 - 2/0 Cable</p>	Bare	1 RED TSV HV
1	RED	TSV HV	<p>Pack 2 and 4 - 2/0 Cable</p>	Bare	1 RED TSV HV

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