

Homework 4

ENERGY 293 - Energy storage and conversion: Solar Cells, Fuel Cells, Batteries and Supercapacitors

(50pts)

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The goal of HW 4 is to implement and simulate an electrical-thermal model of the Maxwell BCAP1500 supercapacitor device characterized by the specification reported in the table below:



Maxwell BCAP1500	
Capacitance (2.7 V, 25 °C) [F]	1500
Rated voltage [V]	2.7
Equivalent series resistance [mΩ]	0.47
Operating temperature [°C]	−40 to 65
Cyclability	10 ⁶
Energy density [Wh kg ^{−1}]	5.4
Power density [W kg ^{−1}]	6600
Thermal resistance (R_{th}) [°C W ^{−1}]	4.5
Thermal capacitance (C_{th}) [J °C ^{−1}]	320

Data from [1]

- (10 pts) Write the system of coupled equations comprising the second order electrical model and first order temperature model as seen in class in Lecture 14.
- (20pts) In order to simulate the electrical-thermal model, you need to build a current profile. Following the instructions below, write a MATLAB script containing the following instructions:
 - the DLC is charged at constant current (100 A) until the voltage reaches the rated voltage (2.7 V);
 - 15s of dwell ("dwell" phase corresponds to current = 0)
 - the DLC is discharged at constant current (100 A) until the voltage reaches 50% of the rated voltage (1.35 V);
 - 15s of dwell
 - Steps a to d e are repeated 5 times.

3. (20pts) Select the proper electrical and thermal parameters to simulate the coupled model at two ambient conditions $T_{air} = 0^{\circ}\text{C}$ and 40°C and report the voltage simulated response.

Note: You can initialize the temperature model with the ambient temperature values.

References

1. Guanetti, J., Fiorenti, S., Guezennec, Y., Onori, S., “Modeling and experimental validation of a hybridized energy storage system for automotive applications”, *Journal of Power Sources*, Vol. 241, pp. 112–120, 2013