

Batteries for Energy Storage

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Batteries for energy storage

- Battery types
- Battery selection criteria
- Secondary batteries
- Applications
- Conclusions

Battery Types

- Primary
- Secondary (Rechargeable)
- Reserve
- Flow batteries
- Metal air
- Fuel Cells

Secondary batteries

- Lead acid battery
- Nickel – cadmium (NiCad)
- Nickel – metal hydride (NiMH)
- Sodium sulphur
- Sodium nickel chloride (Zebra)
- Lithium batteries

Battery selection criteria

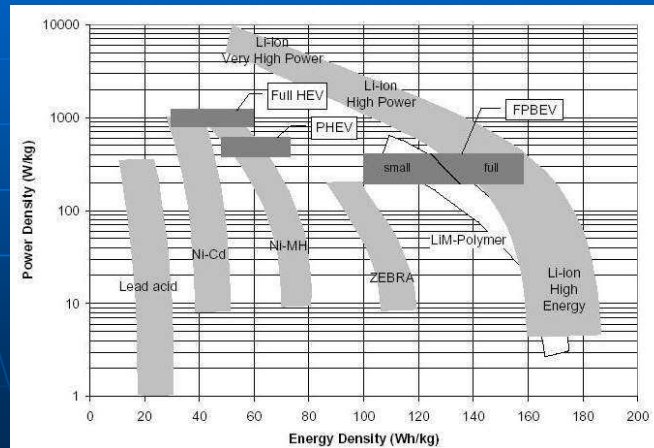
- Energy density (Wh/kg, Wh/l)
- Power density (W/kg)
- Voltage
- Power requirements and duration
- Cycle life
- Temperature (and management)
- Self discharge
- Maintenance
- Safety
- Cost
- Physical dimensions
- Charger characteristics and requirements
- Environmental (& recycling)
- Other (reliability, ease of manufacture, warranty)

Battery selection criteria

Cell reactions & specific energies					
Battery		Cell reaction			Specific energy
+ve	-ve	Charge	Volts	Discharge	(Wh/kg)
PbO ₂	Pb	PbO ₂ +2H ₂ SO ₄ +Pb	2.0 ↔	2PbSO ₄ +2H ₂ O	171 (35)
NiOOH	Cd	2NiOOH+2H ₂ O+Cd	1.2 ↔	2Ni(OH) ₂ +Cd(OH) ₂	217 (50)
NiOOH	MH	2NiOOH+MH	1.2 ↔	2Ni(OH) ₂ +M	+280 (70)
S	Na	2Na+3S	2.0 ↔	Na ₂ S ₃	760 (120)
NiCl ₂	Na	2Na+NiCl ₂	2.5 ↔	2NaCl+Ni	790 (120)
LiCoO ₂	LiC ₆	LiC ₆ +CoO ₂	3.6 ↔	C ₆ +LiCoO ₂	766 (140)
LiNiO ₂	LiC ₆	LiC ₆ +Ni _{0.8} Co _{0.2} O ₂	3.7 ↔	C ₆ +LiNi _{0.8} Co _{0.2} O ₂	766 (180)
Petrol			↔	CO ₂	12333

Battery selection criteria

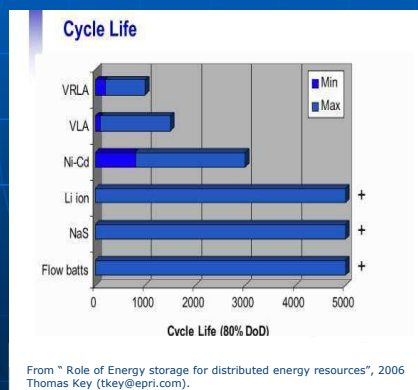
- Power and energy density



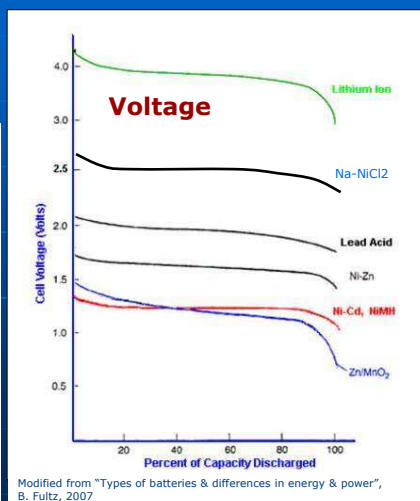
Status & prospects for zero emissions vehicle technology – Report of the ARB independent expert panel, 2007
http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/zevprog/zevreview/zev_panel_report.pdf

Battery selection criteria

- Voltage
- Life



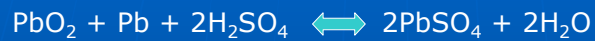
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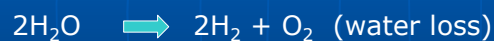
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Lead acid batteries

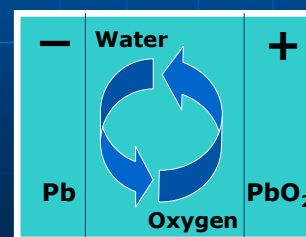
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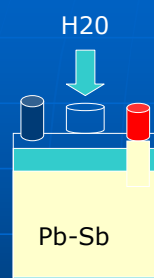
Overcharge reaction:



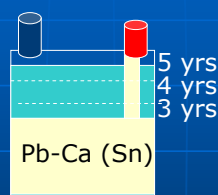
Oxygen recombination cycle:



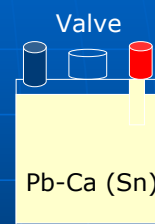
Types of lead acid batteries



Conventional flooded or hybrid. High gas rate. Water added



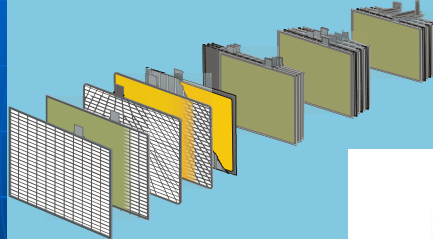
Maintenance free. "Sealed", flooded. Minor gas vented through lid. Excess water determines life



VRLA (AGM or GEL). "Sealed", no excess electrolyte. Water retained by oxygen recombination cycle. Gas may be released through valve

SLI battery

Construction of Cells



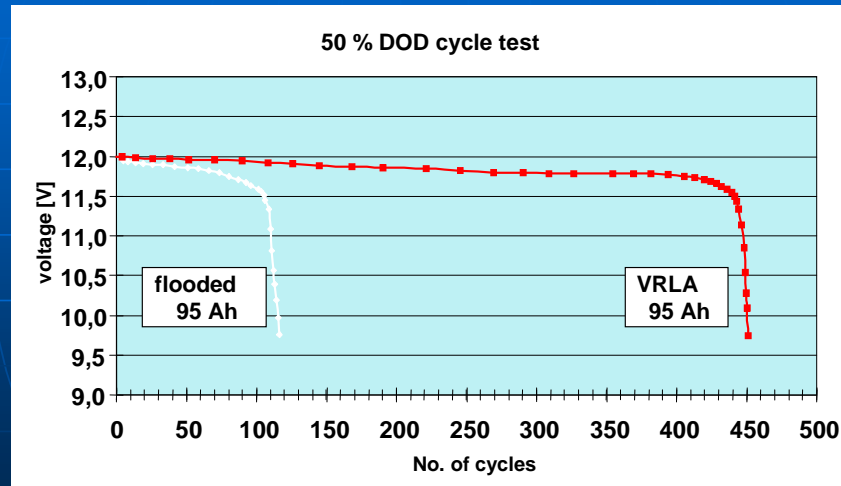
1. Maintenance free battery
2. Positive plate
3. Separator
4. Negative plate
5. Strap
6. Heat sealed lid
7. Central venting system
8. Intercell weld
9. Terminal
10. Mud rib



SLI (Starting, lighting & ignition) batteries

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| • Starter motor | • Wipers | • Electric Windows |
| • Ignition | • Screen Washer | • Electric Sun Roof |
| • Head Lights | • Fuel Pump | • VHF Radio Telephone |
| • Side Lights | • Heater/Demister/Blower | • Air Conditioning |
| • Fog Lights | • Rear Window Heater | • Electric Mirrors |
| • Rear Lights | • Rear Window Wash/Wipe | • Electric Seat Adjustment |
| • Reverse Lights | • Cigarette Lighter | • Electric Seat Heater |
| • Brake Lights | • Radio/Cassette Player | • Air Damper Compressor Unit |
| • Hazard Lights | • Electric Aerial. | • Water Injection System |
| • Dashboard Lights | • CB Radio | • Electronic Fuel Injection |
| • Interior Lights | • Burglar Alarm | • Electronic Instrument Displays |
| • Direction Indicators | • Seat Belt Warning Light | • Headlamp Wash/Wipe |
| • Horns | • Central Locking System | |
| • Electronic Voice Synthesizer | • Catalyst Heater | |

SLI battery - VRLA vs flooded



Advantages of VRLA

- Extremely low water loss
- Increased cycle life & energy throughput
- Improved cold cranking
- Increased capacity for same size
- Improved shelf life
- Leakproof battery
- No acid stratification

Flooded lead acid batteries

Plante battery

Thick electrodes

20 year life

Applications: Power stations, telecoms etc.



Flooded tubular plate battery (OPzS)

Applications: Traction, solar and load leveling.



Flooded flat plate battery (OGi)

Applications: Telecoms and UPS.

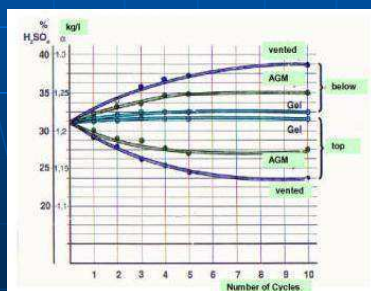


<http://www.battery.co.za>

VRLA batteries

■ Valve regulated (AGM & GEL)

- OPzV - VRLA/GEL (sealed) tubular plate
 - Applications: Telecommunications and solar
- OGiV - VRLA/AGM (sealed) flat plate batteries
 - Applications: UPS and high rate requirements



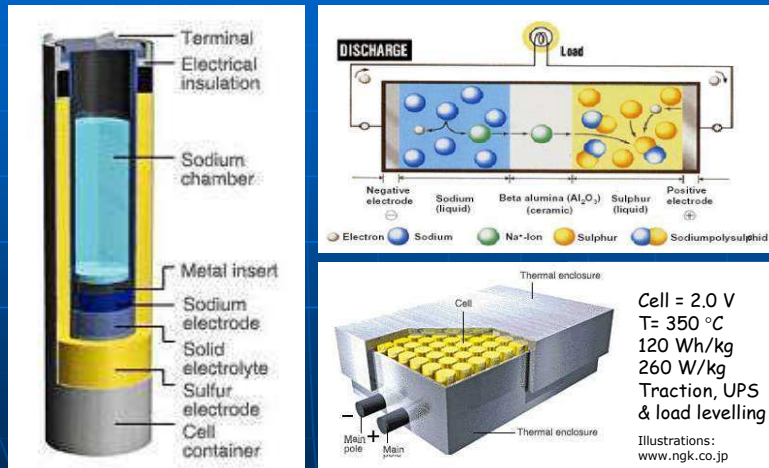
Acid stratification in lead-acid battery systems. www.exide.com



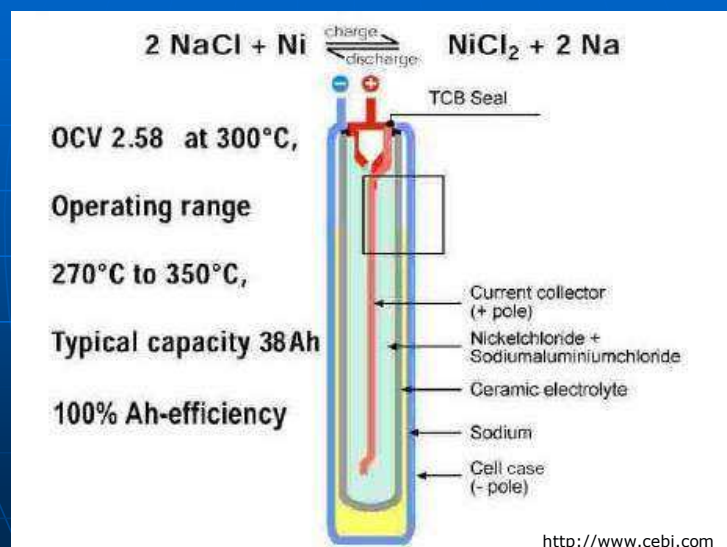
Sonnenschein A600
200 - 3000Ah (C10) 15-18years (20 C)
Telecommunications (www.exide.com)



Sodium sulphur battery



Zebra Battery

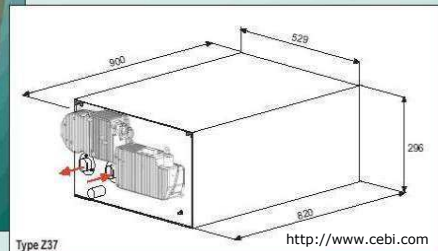


Zebra Battery

Each battery is composed of series and parallel connected cells (example Z37 has 240 cells)
 Battery: 120 Wh/kg, 180 W/kg (310V or 619V)
 Cycles 3500 (80% DOD) Application: Traction



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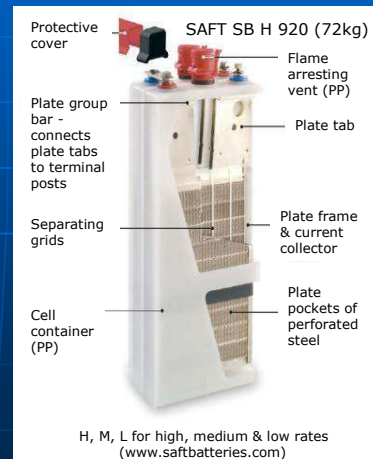


Zebra Battery

Technical data		ZEBRA® Battery		
Type		Z37		
		Z37-310-ML3X-64	Z37-620-ML3X-32	Z37-310-ML3X-76
		Id. 30x00167	30x00153	30x00268
Capacity	unit	64	32	76
Rated Energy	kWh	19.8	19.8	23.5
Open circuit voltage				
0 - 15% DOD	V	310	619	310
Max. regen. voltage	V	348	696	372
Min. op. voltage	V	206	413	206
Max. discharge current	A	224	112	224
Cell Type / N° of cells		ML3X / 240		ML3X/240
Weight with BMI	kg	201		201
Specific energy without BMI	Wh/kg	101		119
Energy density without BMI	Wh/l	154		183
Energy 2 h discharge	kWh	18		20
Specific power	W/kg	171		170
Power density	W/l	261		261
Peak power	kW	35.5 DOD 80%		33.5 DOD 70%
2/3 OCV, 30s 335°C				
Ambient temperature	°C		-40 to +50	
Thermal loss	W		< 105	
at 270°C internal temperature				
Cooling			air	
Heating time	h		24 h at 230 VAC	
Periphery			BMI, Fan	
On board generator			HEV Application	EV Application
MAX voltage, up to 70%SOC	V/Cell	2.7		n.a.
System design recommendation:				
- MES-DEA Charger				
- Min. discharging time: 120 min.				
Max. degree of discharge: 80%				
http://www.cebi.com				

Nickel cadmium

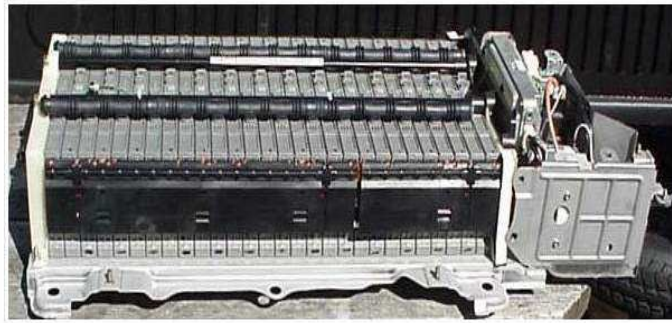
- $2\text{NiOOH} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Cd} = 2\text{Ni(OH)}_2 + \text{Cd(OH)}_2$ ($E^0 = 1.29\text{V}$)
- Temperature: -40C to 50 C
- Electrolyte: 32% KOH
- PAM: $\text{Ni(OH)}_2 + \text{C} + \text{Co(OH)}_2$
- NAM: $\text{Cd(OH)}_2 + \text{Fe} + (\text{C})$
- Grid: Ni plated steel
- Separators: PP, or nylon
- Cell (plate) designs:
 - **Vented** - pocket, plastic-bonded, fiber, foam or sintered
 - **Sealed** - smaller cells, cylindrical or rectangular with recombination
- Applications: UPS, telecoms, PV, HEV, EVs, satellite, aircraft, trains
- Performance: 60Wh/Kg, 200W/kg, 2000 cycles



Nickel metal-hydride

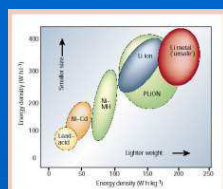
- $\text{NiOOH} + \text{MH} = 2\text{Ni(OH)}_2 + \text{M}$ ($E^0 = 1.35\text{V}$)
- Positive electrode like NiCd (plus ZnO & La_2O_3)
- Cell design same as sealed NiCd foam plates
- Separator: Non woven polypropylene
- Negative electrode: MH slurry on perforated foil (Ni, Cu or steel)
- Negative electrode - two types of metal hydride used:
 - AB_5 (LaNi_5 , A=Mischmetal, La, Ce, Ti and B=Ni, Co, Mn, Al). Most used (300 Ah/kg)
 - AB_2 (TiNi_2 , A=Ti, V and B=Ni, Zr (Cr, Co, Fe, Mn) Used by Ovonic (400Ah/kg)
- Applications: Smaller cells than NiCd. Large batteries: EV's (e.g. Toyota Prius)
- Performance: 60-70Wh/Kg, 250W/kg, 2000 cycles (80% DOD)

Nickel metal-hydride

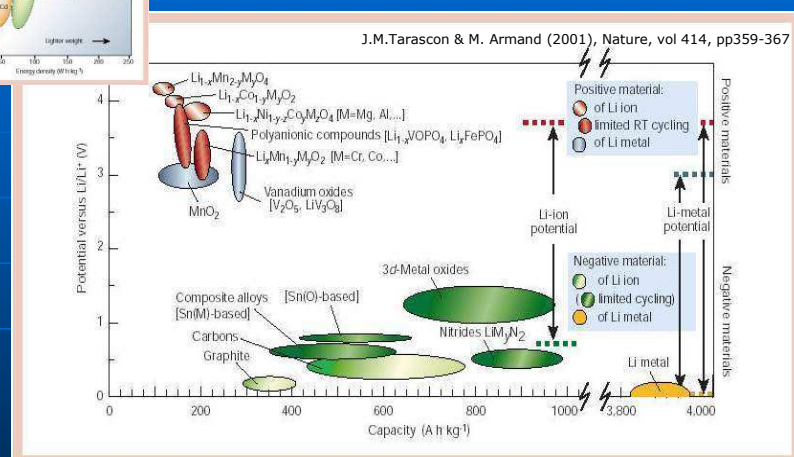


www.eaaev.org/CurrentEvents/pdf/2008/CurrentEvents200807.pdf (Photo courtesy of the Automotive Career Development Center.)

Toyota Prius (2nd generation): NiMH battery – Panasonic
 28 modules x 6 = 168 cells, 202V, 20kW (50% DOD)
 Air cooled & computer controlled thermal management system

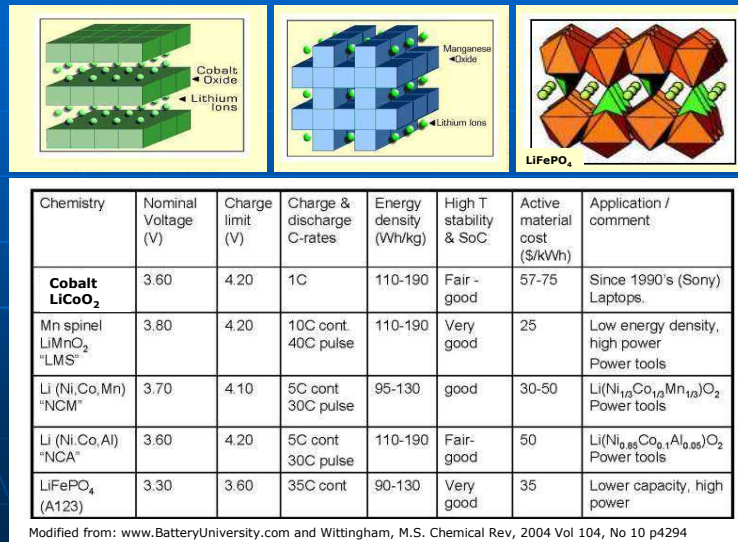


Lithium batteries

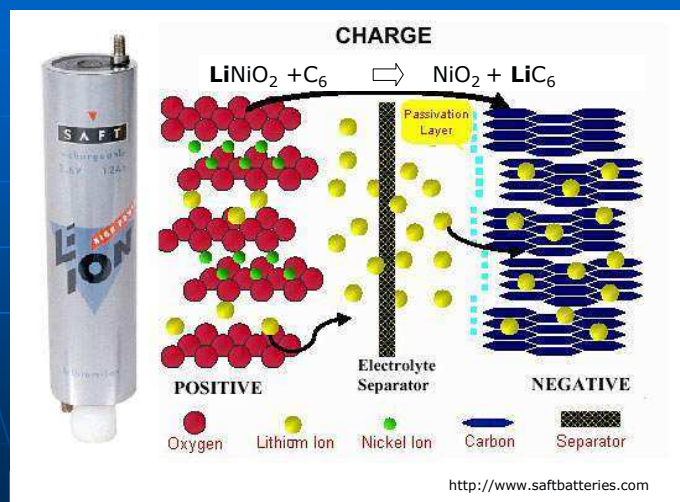


Voltage versus capacity for positive and negative electrode materials for Li cells. The cell potential is represented. Note the huge difference in capacity between Li metal and other negative electrodes, hence the interest in solving the problem of Li dendrite growth.

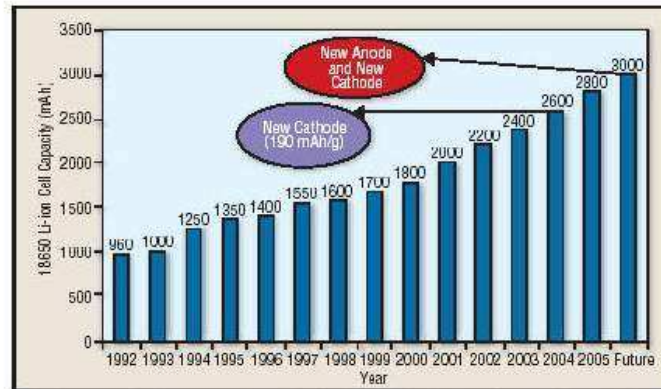
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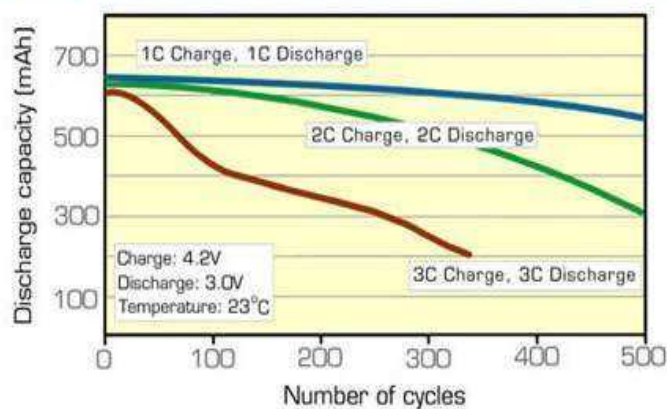
Lithium batteries



The increase in the capacity of 18650 cells illustrates how Li-ion battery energy density has steadily risen since this battery technology was first commercialized in the early 1990s. **David Morrison**, Editor, *Power Electronics Technology*

Lithium batteries

Cycle performance at various charge/discharge rates



www.BatteryUniversity.com

Lithium batteries



SAFT
VL 45 E Cell
3.6v, 45Ah (C/3)
149 Wh/kg
664 W/kg
1.07 kg

- Features**
- Very high specific energy
 - Light and compact
 - Maintenance free
 - Excellent cycle and calendar life
 - Integrated liquid cooling
 - Easy integration into customized battery systems

- Applications**
- Electric and hybrid vehicles
 - Telecommunication networks
 - Stationary
 - Space and defence



<http://www.saftbatteries.com>

High energy lithium-ion module VLE Module

	VLE 22-42	VLE 11-84
Electrical characteristics		
Nominal voltage (V)	21.6	10.8
Minimum capacity at c/3 after charge to 4.0 V/cell (Ah)	42	84
Specific energy (Wh/kg)	110	111
Energy density (Wh/dm ³)	158	158
Specific power		
(30s peak/50% DOD) (W/kg)	533	533
Power density		
(30s peak/50% DOD) (W/dm ³)	753	753
Mechanical characteristics		
Height (mm)	242	242
Width (mm)	190	190
Length (mm)	123	124
Typical weight (kg)	8	8
Volume (dm ³)	5.66	5.66
Voltage limits		
Charge (V)	4.0 (4.1 for peak/cell)	
Discharge (V)	2.7 (2.3 for peak/cell)	
Current limits		
Max continuous current (A)	100	200
Max 30s peak current (A)	250	500

Lithium batteries



SAFT - VL 34P Cell - High Power cell

Graphite anode, Ni alloy oxide cathode
3.6v, 33Ah (C rate)
2000 cycles (100 DOD)
120 Wh/kg
Max. Discharge: 500 A cont,
1900 A 2 sec pulse
Mass = 0.94 kg
Diameter = 54 mm
Length = 195 mm
Charge CCCV TO 4.1 V (0.04)
Charge current = C/2
Temp D = -30 to 60 C,
Temp C = 5 to 35 C

Applications

- Electric and hybrid vehicles
 - Telecommunication networks
 - Stationary
 - Space and defence
- <http://www.saftbatteries.com>

Electrical characteristics VL 34 P module

Nominal voltage	43.2 V
Maximum continuous current at 25° C	200 + A
Continuous power at 50% SOC	20 kW
Energy density at C rate	139 Wh/l
C rate energy	1.3 kWh
Capacity at C rate	31.5 Ah
Specific energy at C rate	75 Wh/Kg
Specific power (continuous from 100% SOC)	1100 W/Kg
Impedance at 5 sec (250 A discharge)	10 mΩ

Mechanical characteristics

Length	14.6 in / 371 mm
Width	4.4 in / 112.8 mm
Height	8.3 in / 211.8 mm
Weight	35 lbs / 16 kg

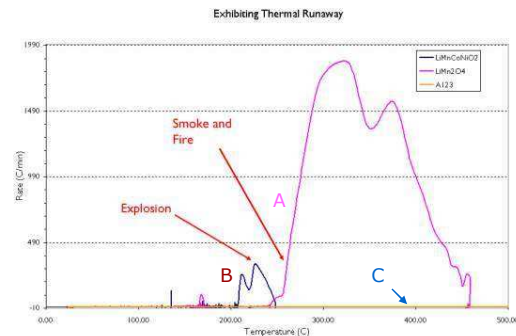
Operating conditions

Operating temperature range	-30° C to +60° C
Transport or storage temperature range	-40° C to +65° C
Voltage limits	
In charge	49.2 V
In discharge	30 V

Lithium batteries

Thermal runaway comparison A123 versus mixed oxides and manganese spinel

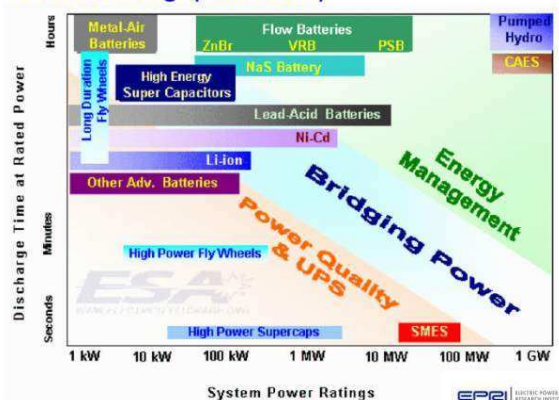
A123
SYSTEMS



Thermal runaway comparison. A) LiMnCoNiO₂, B) LiMn₂O₄ and C) LiFePO₄ (A123).
http://www.aircraft-world.com/prod_datasheets/hp/A123/A123.pdf

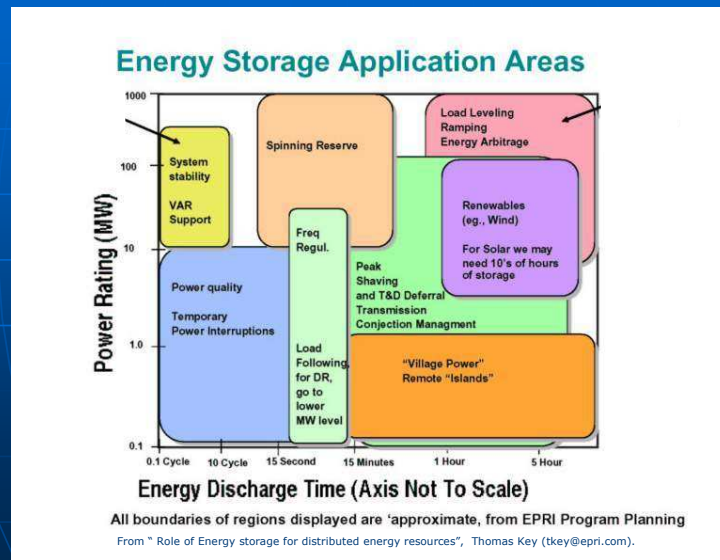
Standby battery applications

Technology Choice for Discharge Time and Power Rating (From ESA)



From "Role of Energy storage for distributed energy resources", Thomas Key (tkey@epri.com).

Battery applications



Applications – Lead acid

Battery systems installed between 1986 & 1997

Technology		Power MW	Energy MWh	Year Operation	Purpose
Lead Acid	Berlin(D)	17	14	1986 - 1995	Power Quality Spining reserve
Lead Acid	Tatsumi(J)	1	4	1986	Multi-purpose Demonstrator
Lead Acid	Chino(USA)	10	40	1988 - 1997	Multi-purpose Demonstrator
Lead Acid	South Africa	4	7	1989	Peak Shaving UPS
Zn-Br	Kyushu(J)	1	4	1991	Multi-purpose Demonstrator
Lead Acid	Puerto Rico	20	14	1994	Power Quality Spining reserve
Lead Acid	Vernon(USA)	3.5	3.5	1996	Peak Shaving UPS
Lead Acid	Metlakatla	1	1.3	1997	Grid stabilization Power Quality

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T&T energy

Applications - NaS & NiCad

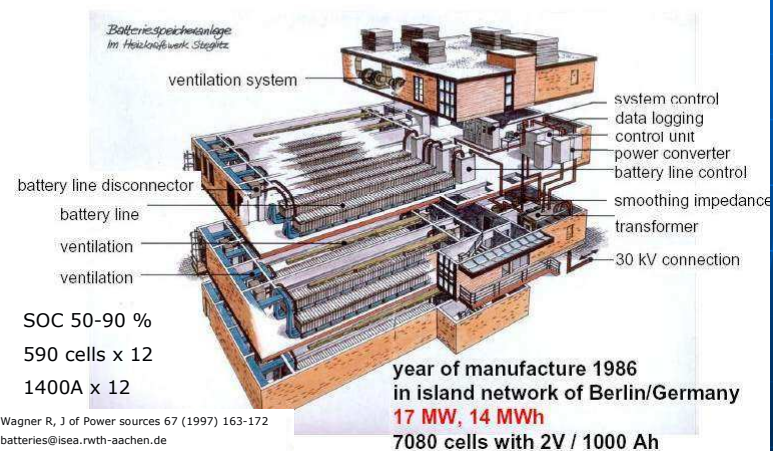
Systems Installed 1998 to 2004

Technology	Location	Power	Energy	Year	Purpose
		MW	MWh	Operation	
NaS	Tsunashima Substation	6	48	1998	Load Levelling
					Spinning reserve
NaS	Ohito Substation	6	48	1999	Load Levelling
NaS	Saitama	2	12	1999	Load Levelling
NaS	Odaka	1	8	2000	Load Levelling
NaS	Tsunashima	2	14.4	2000	Load Levelling
NaS	Shinagawa	2	14.4	2001	Load Levelling
NaS	Kanagawa	1	7.2	2001	Peak Shaving
NaS	Ebina	1	7.2	2001	UPS
NaS	Chichibu	1	7.2	2002	load levelling
Ni-Cad	Fairbanks Alaska(USA)	40	10	2003	UPS

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Applications – Pb acid

Battery system of BEWAG for frequency regulation



Applications - NiCd

Golden Valley Electric's Battery Energy Storage System (Alaska)



27 MW for 15 minutes
13760 NiCd cells (SAFT SBH 920 cells)
35 Mio \$
commissioning: Aug. 2003
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Applications - NaS

- NaS-battery system for "load leveling" in Tokyo
- Performance characteristics
 - 2 MW
 - 1,165 V DC
 - 40 modules (12,800 cells)
 - weight > 136 tons



batteries@isea.rwth-aachen.de (NGK / TEPCO)

Applications – Li-ion



Conclusions

- There are pros and cons of every battery system which should be weighed up against the intended application
- Lead acid batteries are good for float applications, have a low initial capital cost, proven technology with high recycling efficiency and future potential for improvements in life
- Nickel cadmium and nickel metal hydride batteries have good cycling and power capabilities at increased cost. They have a memory effect and high self discharge. Metal hydride batteries have higher energy density with no toxic metals but poor charge acceptance at high temperatures and require thermal management
- Sodium metal chloride batteries have high energy density & are promising for traction and stationary applications. Disadvantages are the high temperatures, limited manufacturing facilities & lack of high power cell designs.
- Li-ion batteries are starting to enter the telecoms markets in larger cell sizes where weight & space is a criteria but at increased cost. Each cell requires electronics to control C/D voltage. Safety will remain a key issue