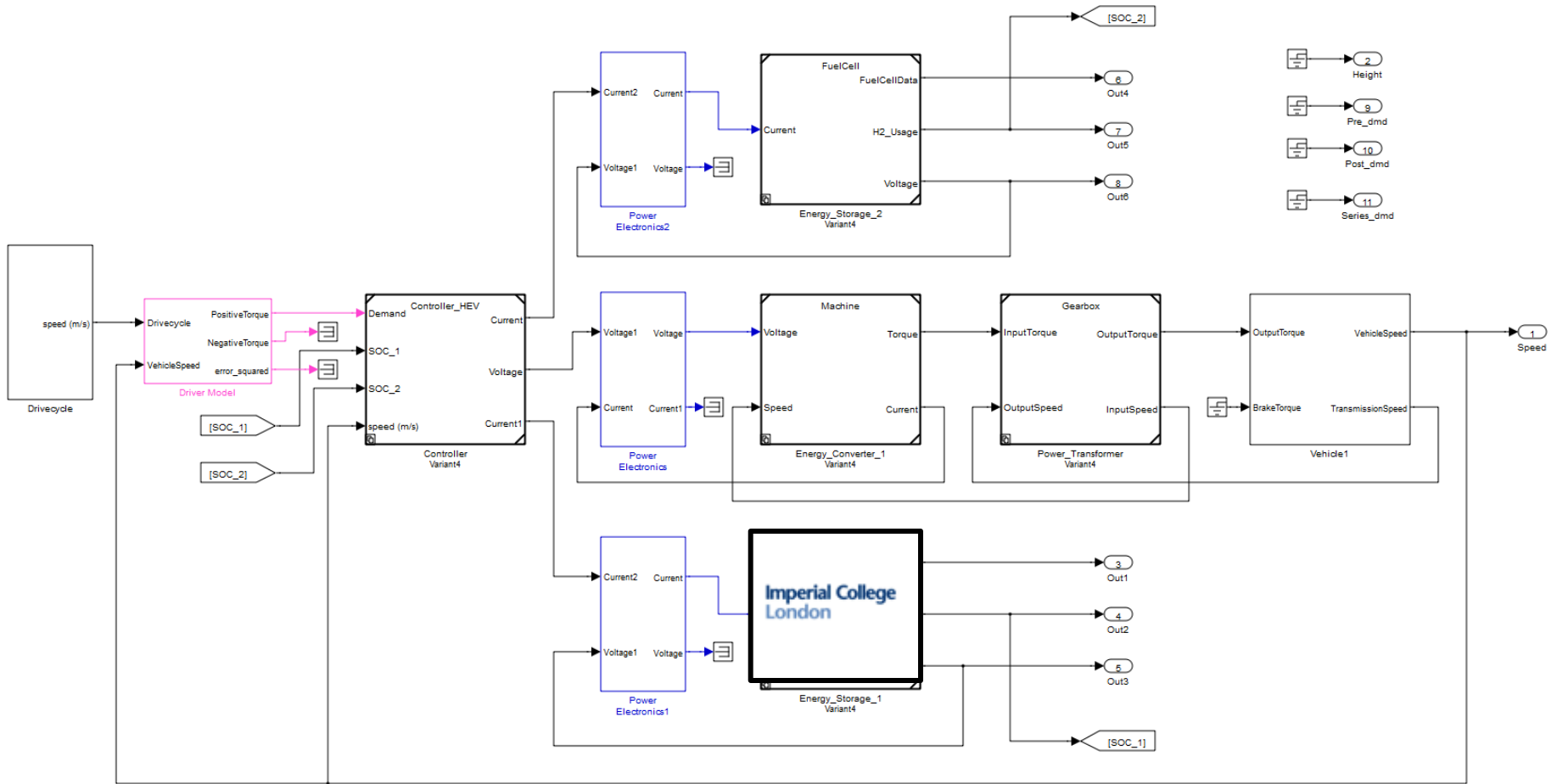
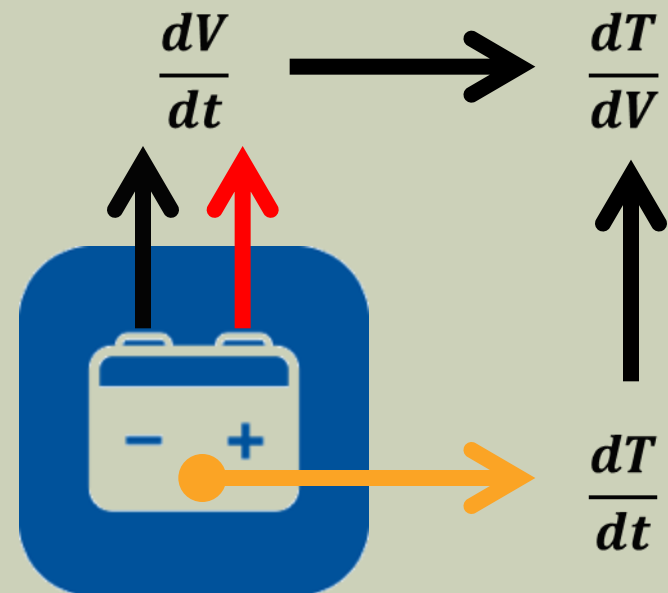
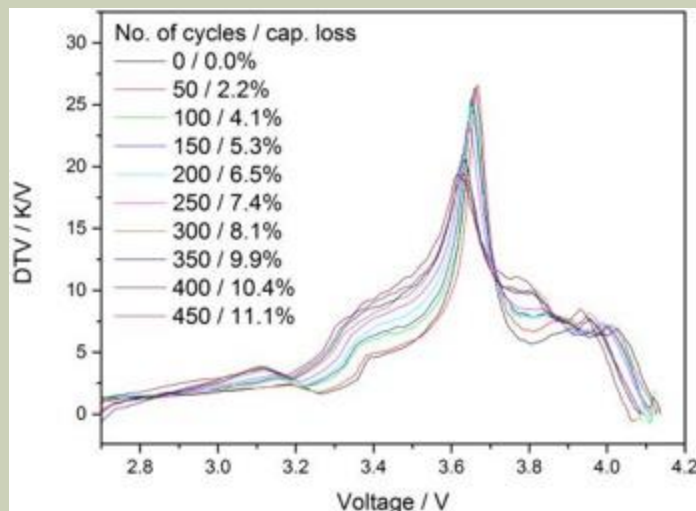


BATTERIES



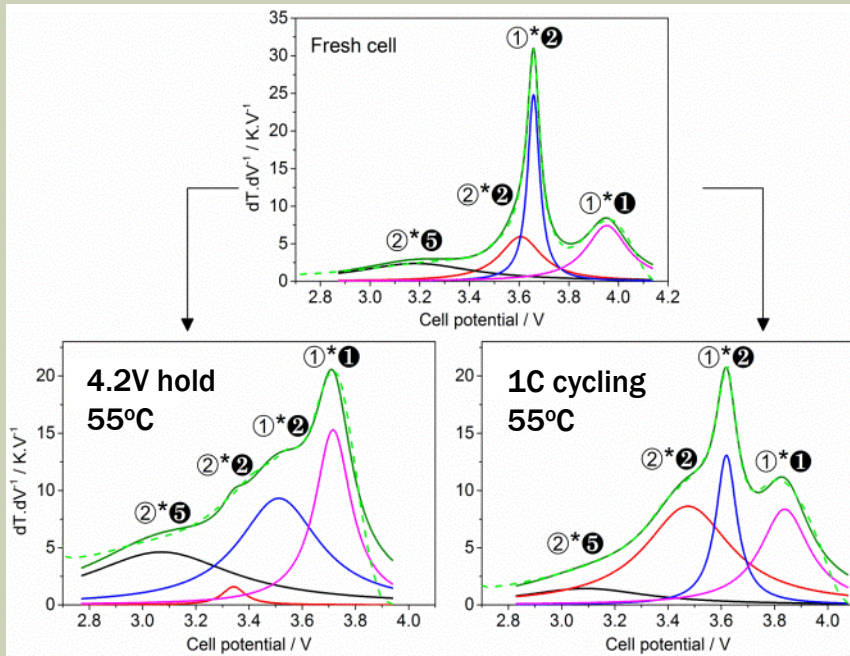
DIFFERENTIAL THERMAL VOLTAMMETRY

- Novel in-situ battery diagnosis method for tracking degradation
- Uses the temperature profile under constant current discharge to infer the same data as SRCV/IC but in a much reduced time
- Plotted against cell voltage, it may be possible to give an indication of the entropy changes in carefully controlled conditions
- Peaks represent phase transformation

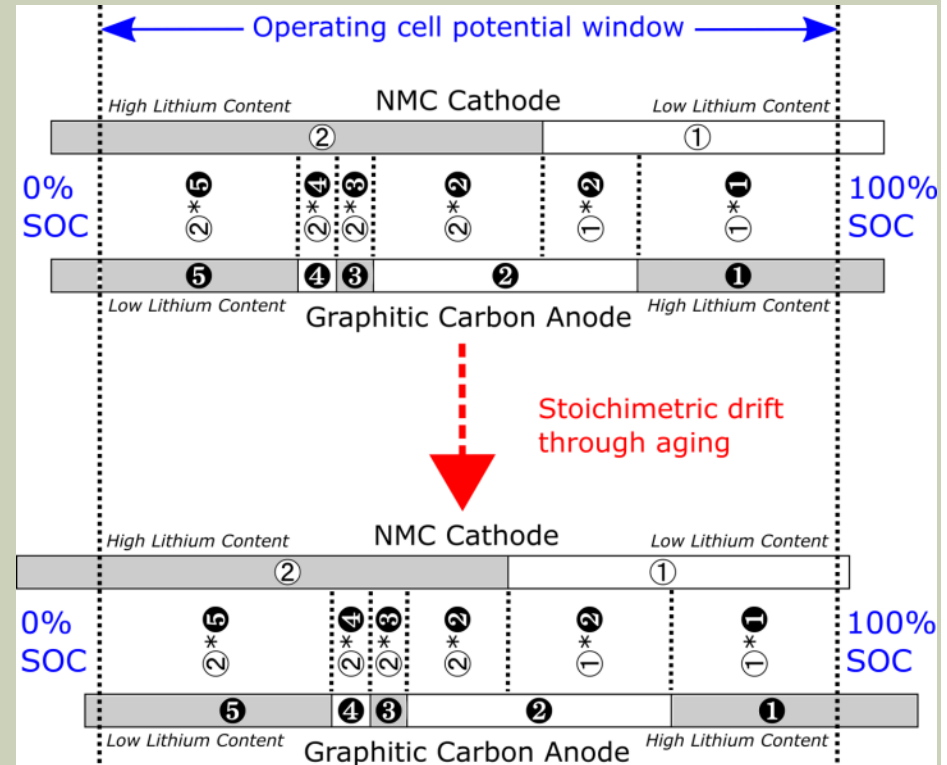


DIFFERENTIAL THERMAL VOLTAMMETRY

- Temperature possible (i.e. DTV)
- Where current is not (i.e. ICA (dQ/dV))



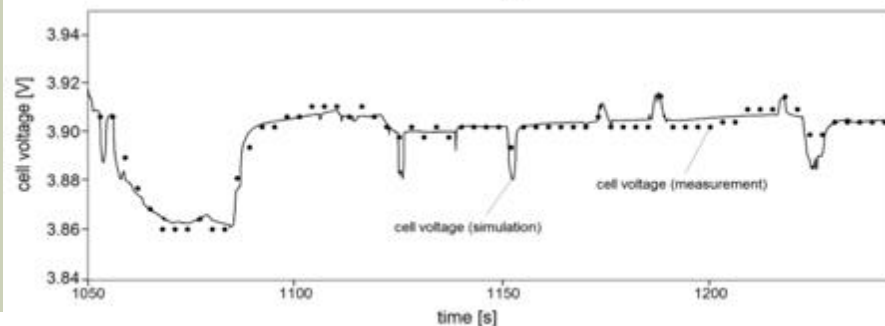
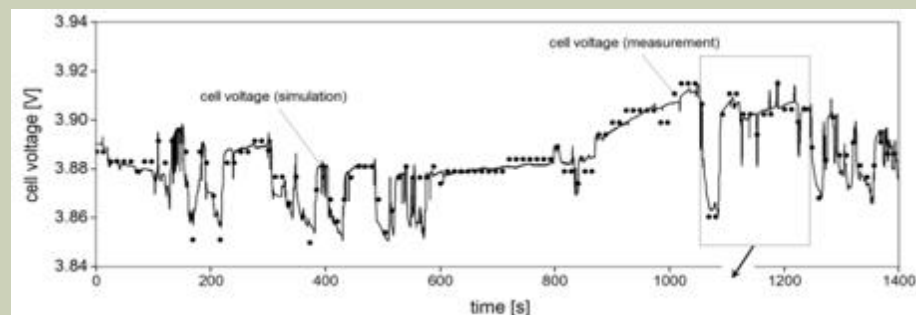
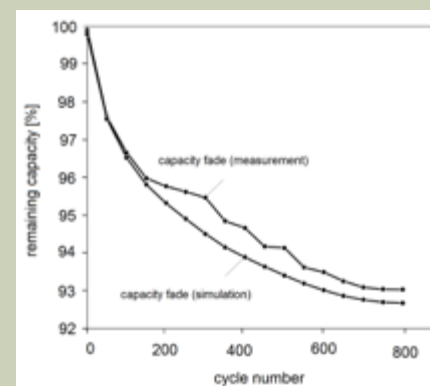
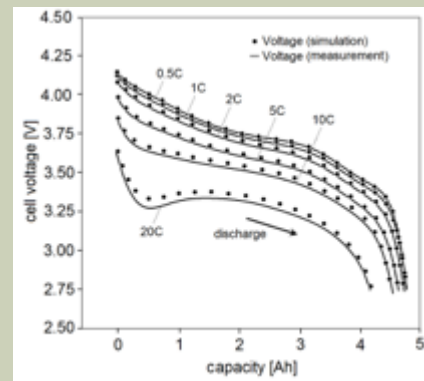
Y. Merla, Journal of Power Sources,
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PHYSICS BASED MODELS

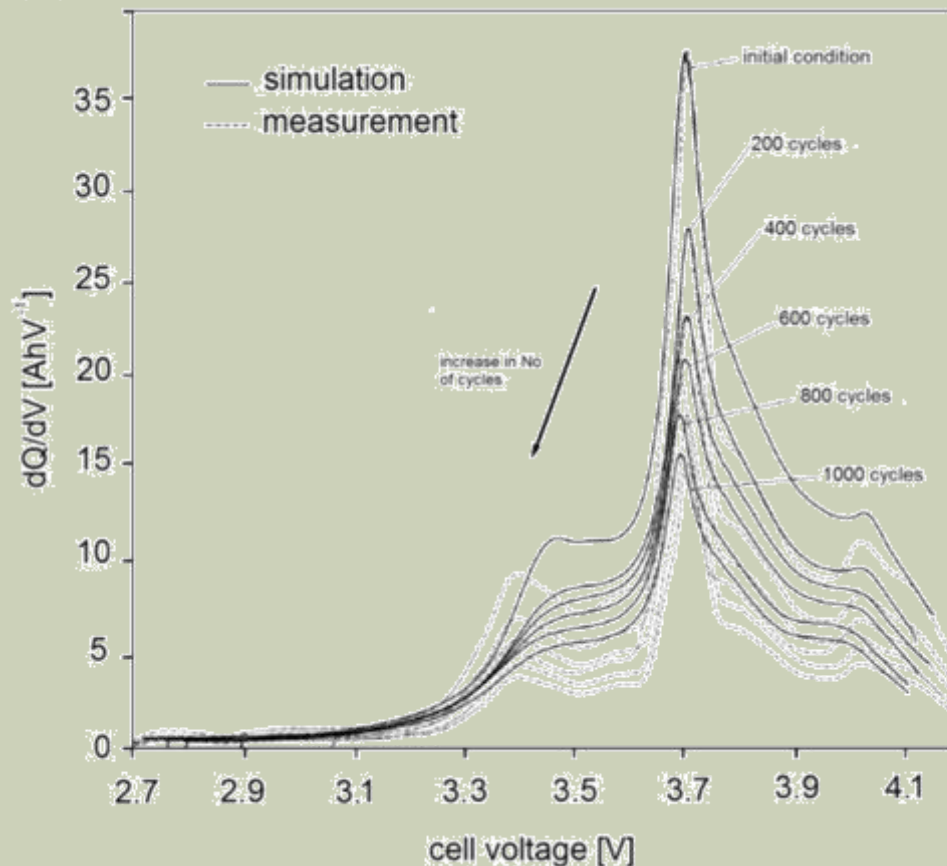
- Physics based electrochemical battery model
 - Variable double layer capacitance
 - Surface concentrations affect current over-potential equations
 - SEI layer growth degradation included
 - Implemented in Simulink for system & control engineers

M-T von Srbik, Paper Under Review,
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MODELS MATCH DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES

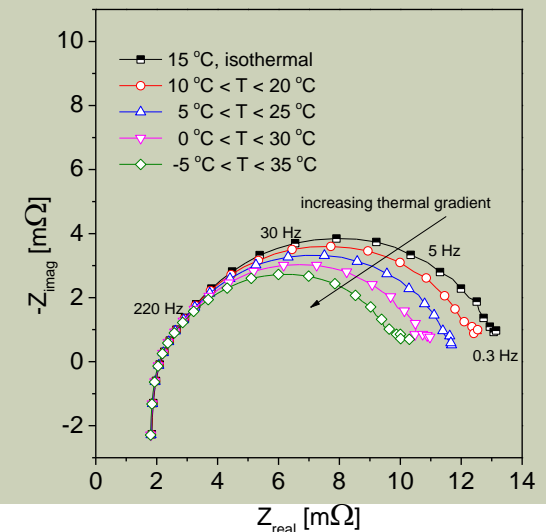
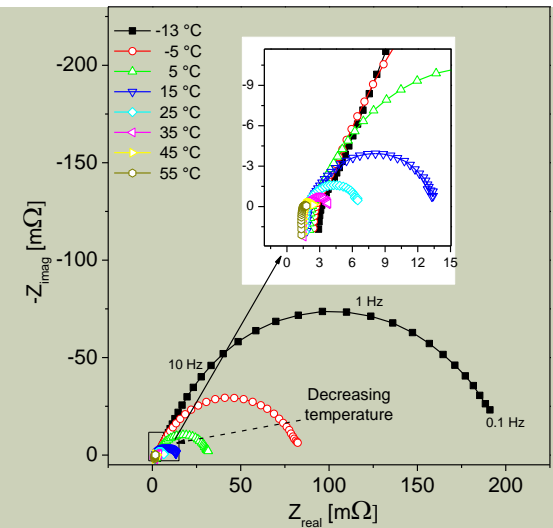
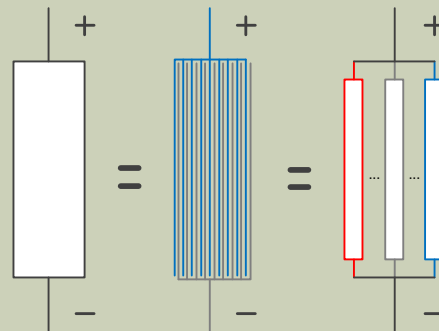
- Model works for highly transient loads and up to 20C
- Model capable of matching diagnostic techniques for degradation



EMERGENT BEHAVIOUR CAUSES FEEDBACK LOOPS

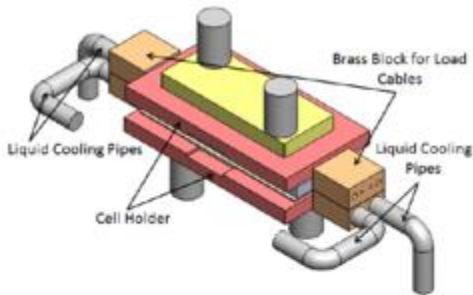
- Temperature affects impedance exponentially
 - Effect is due to non-linear temperature dependence on charge transfer resistance
- Under a thermal gradient a cell behaves like one with a higher average temperature
 - Some layers do more work than others
 - Analogous to cells in parallel

Troxler et al., Journal of Power Sources, Vol:247, 2014, Pages:1018-1025

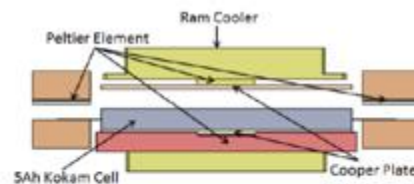


THERMAL CHAMBERS ARE OFTEN UNSUITABLE

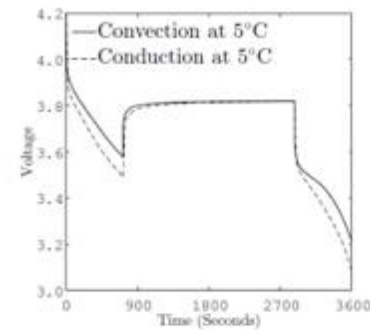
- We can simulate any battery pack thermal management system at a single cell



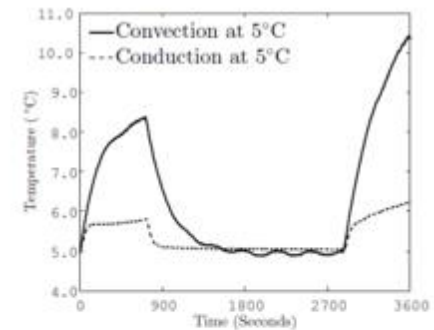
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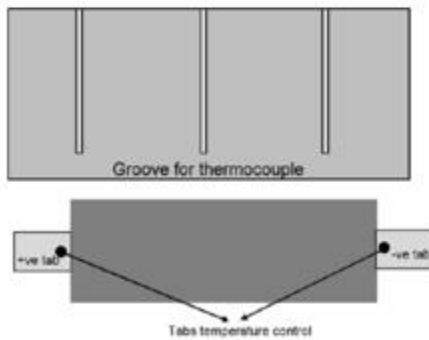
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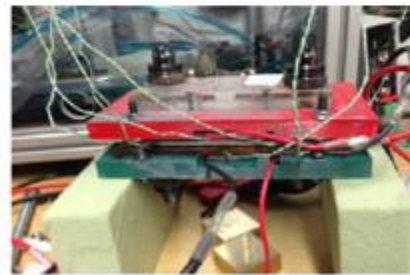
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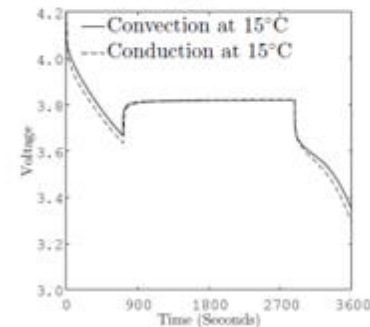
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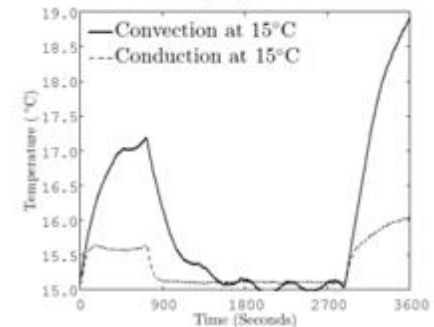
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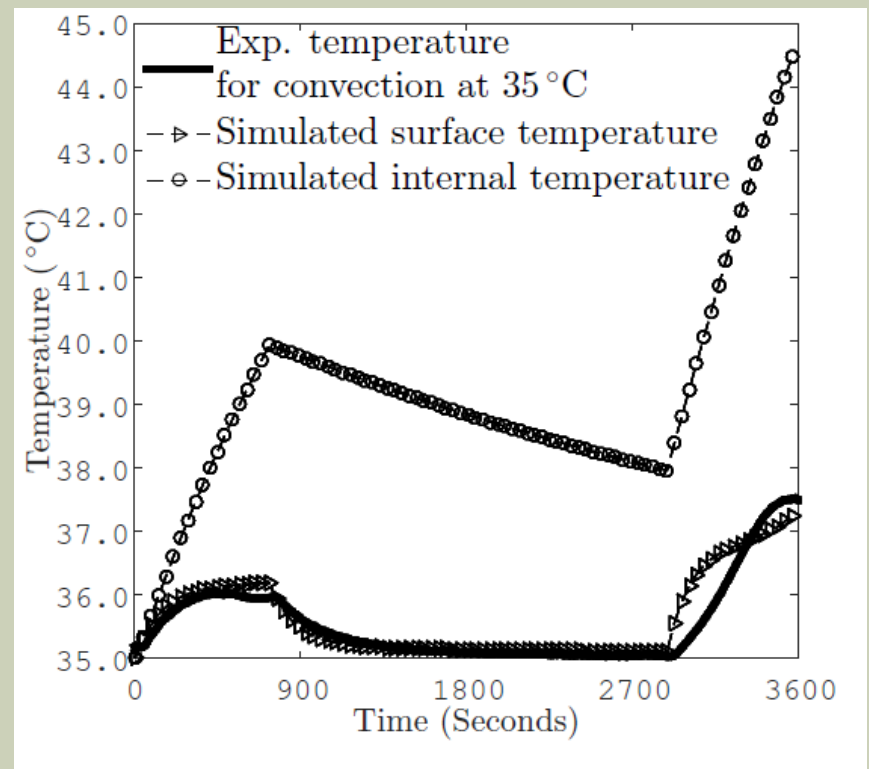
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HOW BIG CAN THERMAL GRADIENTS GET?

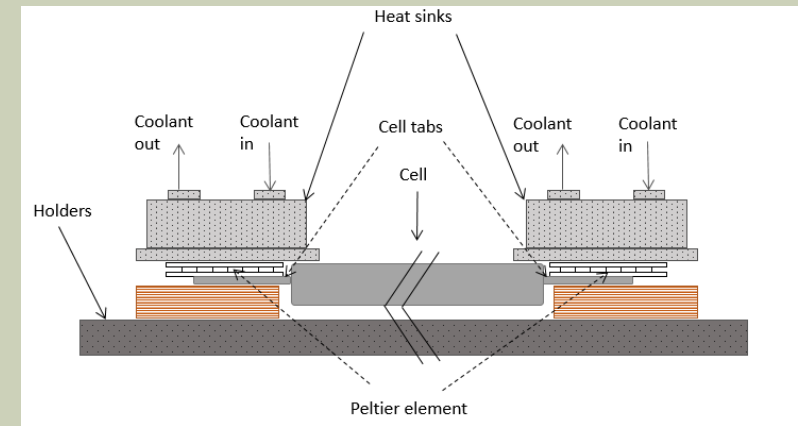
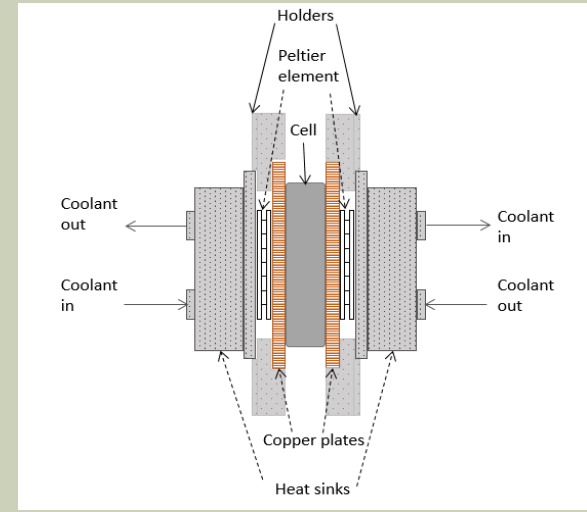
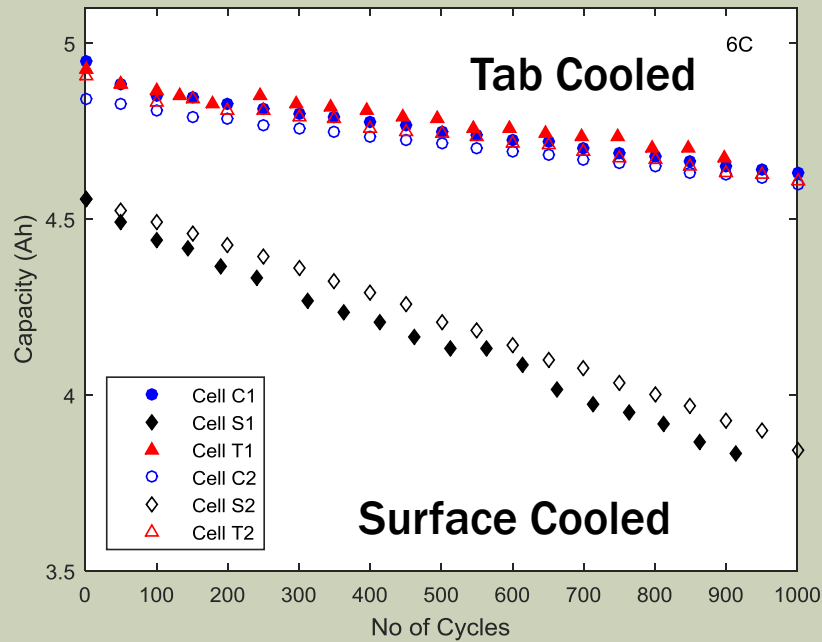
- Even at high temperatures
 - when impedance is low
- Under discharge, internal temperature can be substantially different from surface



2C discharge of 5Ah Kokam NCM cell

THERE ARE GOOD AND BAD THERMAL GRADIENTS

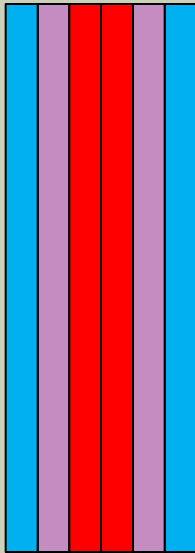
Critical for good pack design



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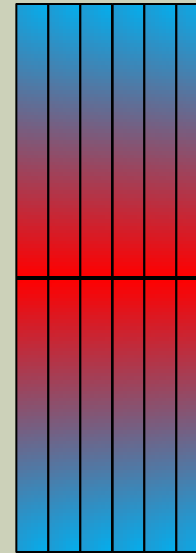
■ Surface cooling

- Layers different impedance
- Layers behave differently
- Positive feedback



■ Tab cooling

- Within layers different impedance
- Each layer behaves same
- Minimal feedback



ROOT CAUSE TRIGGERS POSITIVE FEEDBACK

- Initial formation of thermal gradients (inhomogeneity)
 - is a significant root cause of accelerated degradation
- Other root causes of inhomogeneity could similarly start this cycle of detrimental positive feedback by affecting the R term

