"Broddside"

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Anatomy of a Battery



Criteria for Rechargeable Batteries

- Nine general characteristics of a rechargeable battery chemistry. These criteria limit the number of materials and reactions that qualify for use in battery technology.
- 1. Mechanical and Chemical Stability
- 2. Ability to Recharge and Deliver Power:
- 3. Cycle Life:
- 4. Temperature Range of Operation: -40 to+85C
- 5. Low Self-Discharge
- 6. Shape of the Discharge Curve:
- 7. Cost:
- 8. Charge Time:
- 9. Overcharge/Overdischarge Protection:



Li-Ion Progression

Today, high rate capability and low cost are the major drivers along with safety



Present Li-Ion Anodes and Cathodes

- Anodes:
 - Graphite
 - Hard carbons
- Cathodes
 - LiCoO₂,
 - LiMn₂O₄
 - LiFePO₄

 $-LiNi_{0.8}Co_{0.15}AI_{0.05}O_2 \\ -LiMn_{0.33}Ni_{0.33}Co_{0.33}O_2 \\ -Li_3V_2PO_4$

– Lithium Titanium Phosphate

- Electrolytes
 - LiPF₆ + aliphatic carbonates + additives
 - Libob
 - Ionic liquids

Charge-Discharge of Selected Cathodes

Voltage (V) vs. Specific Capacity (mAh/g) at C/10





Expected Cycle Life



Forecast 12,000 100% DOD cycles for 1/3 compound

Veit, 2007 IBA

Battery Life - Depth of Discharge

PHEV battery likely to deep-cycle each day driven: 15 yrs equates to 4000-5000 deep cycles
Also need to consider combination of high and low frequency cycling



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Why using Li ion in HEVs ?



Anatomy of an Incident

The 18650 Li-lon cell has sufficient energy to self heat to over 600°C. Today, the incidents are mostly related to manufacturing defects: one \sim 10⁷



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A Little History

- Prediction of reaction distribution in electrode structures, lead acid, carbon zinc (1960's and 1970's), Li-Ion (2000)
- Engineering models of electrode performance are reasonably accurate, based on fundamental data, i_o, ρ, etc.
- DOE workshop on Electrochemical Energy Sources, circa 1978 where Al Bard suggested *ab initio* calculation of H-Metal interaction for fuel cell catalysts
- Oh yes, Eyring Absolute Rate Theory. Quantum mechanics to calculate the activated complex and the reaction rate constant, K. At equilibrium, I_o - exchange current = KC_{processes}
- Today, just beginning to use structure calculations effectively: Cedar, Chiang, etc. – doping LiFePO₄ to ^{NSF Workshop = Pharma – Batteries} improve conductivity

Present Situation

- Over 3 billion cells annually
- Success Li-Ion must address safety and cost
 - Must have basic research on safety issues
 - Emphasis on cell design and manufacturing controls
 - Requirements: Long life, very high rate, low cost
- Anode:
 - Treated natural graphite
 - Hard carbon, lower capacity, higher rate, safer , long cycle life
 - Titanate, for safety but ~30% lower energy storage, very long cycle life
- Cathode:
 - Stabilized Mn Spinel
 - Phosphates, lower energy
 - $-\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ Mn compounds, higher capacity, increased voltage
- Cell design-balance, temperature
- Control circuitry



Identifying New Battery Systems

- Edisonian keep trying
 - Expensive method
 - Requires luck to succeed
- Identify promising systems through calculation
 - Combine calculations with experimental verification
 - Comparatively inexpensive
 - Ionic liquids open up high voltage systems
 - Organic redox couples present a relatively untouched area
- Key investigator with proven track record
 - Patience
 - Encouragement
- Remember higher energy storage brings significant safety issues
- Starters Replace graphite with Li metal, $370 \rightarrow 3800$ mah/g