

Daikin Advanced Lithium Ion Battery Technology – High Voltage Electrolyte

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Overview



Timeline

- Start Date: 10/1/13
- End Date: 9/30/15
- 75% Complete

Target and Barriers

- Performance 300-1000 cycles at 4.6 V
- Safety Safe, reduced flammability formulation

Budget

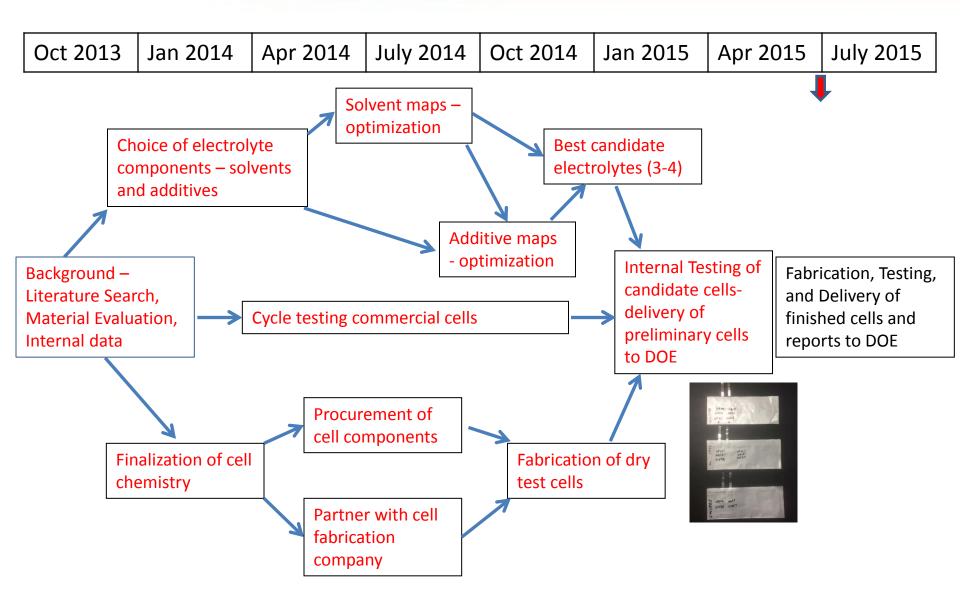
- Total \$1,291,029
 - DOE \$912,021
 - Daikin America \$379,008
- Expenditure of Gov't Funding
 - FY2014 ~ 316K (estimate)
 - FY2015 ~ 210K (est., YTD March)

Partners

- Interactions/Collaborations
 - Coulometrics, LLC: Cell Fabrication and Testing.



Technical Approach





Milestones

| Milestone | Туре | Description | Completion Date/Status |
|---|-------------|---|----------------------------|
| Complete Identification of Promising Electrolyte Formulations | Technical | Experimental design completed with consistent data sufficient to build models. Promising electrolyte formulations are identified which are suitable for high- voltage battery testing. | October 2014/ complete |
| Fabrication and Delivery of Interim Cells | Technical | Successful fabrication of 10 interim cells and delivery of cells to DOE laboratory to be specified. | January 2015 / complete |
| Demonstrate Stable Performance at 4.6 volts | Go/No Go | Electrochemical and battery cycle tests are completed and promising results are obtained which demonstrate stable performance at 4.6 volts | June 2015/ in progress |
| Confirm Final Electrolyte Formulations | Technical | Confirm correlations of battery tests, surface analysis compositional analysis, and electrochemical results and use the complete data set to identify best performing electrolyte compositions. | September 2015 |
| Fabrication and Delivery of Final Cells | Technical | Successful fabrication of 10 improved cells and delivery of cells to DOE laboratory to be specified. Cell test plans, cell design, and cell performance and abuse test documentation is completed. | October 2015 |

Relevance/Objectives

Project Objective: to develop a stable (300 – 1000 cycles), high-voltage (up to 5 volts), and safe (self-extinguishing) formulated electrolyte.

<u>Performance Objective</u>

- Propose electrolyte solvent systems through DOE methods for high voltage battery systems
- Optimize additive packages for increased cycle life
- Understand mechanisms for cell failure via electrolyte

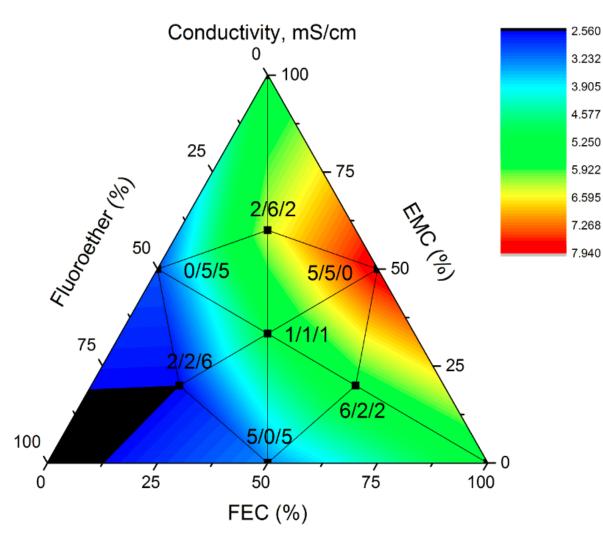
<u>Safety Objective</u>

- Integrate safe solvent combinations into optimized electrolyte formulation
- Develop safety testing methods for evaluation of candidate electrolytes.



Technical Strategy

(FEC, EC) / (EMC, DMC, DEC) /Fluoroether



Make mixture "phase" diagrams based on phenomena

Solvents (vary 0-100%)

- Conductivity
- Voltage Stability
- Gas Generation
- Cell Impedance
- Viscosity
- Initial Capacity

Additives (vary 0-2%)

- Gassing
- Capacity % at 50 cycles
- Capacity % at 100 cycles
- High Performance Coulometry



Daikin baseline cells







1 A-hr pouch cell

LiNi_{1/3}Mn_{1/3}Co_{1/3}O₂ cathode Graphite anode Cells are anode limited and balanced for 4.2 V

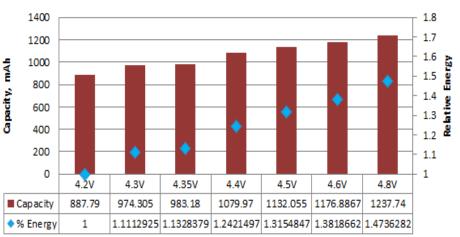
Wound electrode Purchased dry from China Electrolyte fill at A5 Daikin



High Voltage Performance – Daikin Cells

Fluorocarbon Electrolyte Performance(0.2C) Chart Area 1.8 1.7 1200 1.6 mAh Energy 1000 1.5 800 Capacity, 1.4 lative 600 1.3 2 400 1.2 200 1.1 0 1 4.2V 4.3V 4.35V 4.5V 4.8V 4.4V 4.6V Cap acity 979.52 1065.269 1078.328 1172.032 1214.937 1272.5967 1373.9843 % Energy 1 1.1005923 1.12148 1.2203564 1.2784891 1.5360071 1.6817388

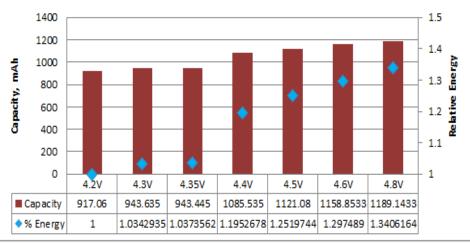
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Hydrocarbon Electrolyte Performance(0.2C)

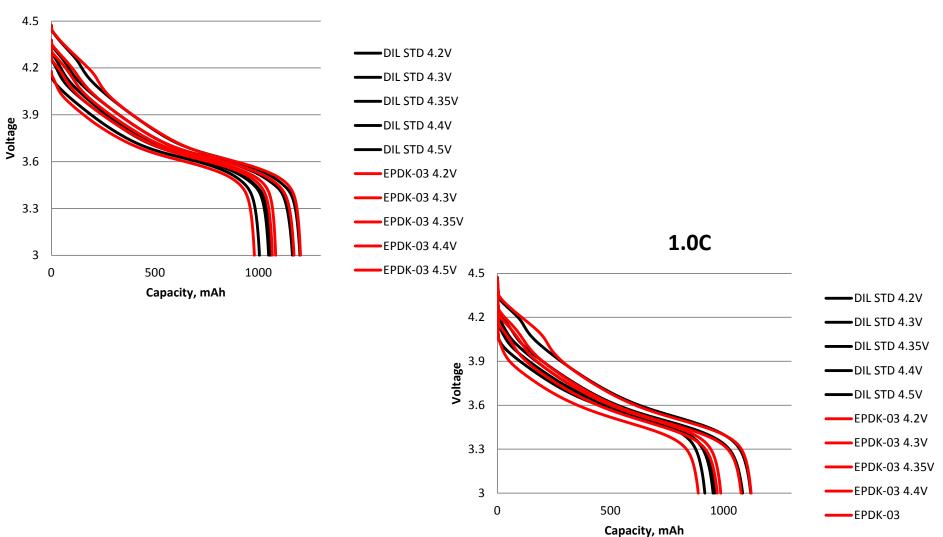
Hydrocarbon Electrolyte Performance(1.0C)





Discharge Curves NMC(111)/graphite

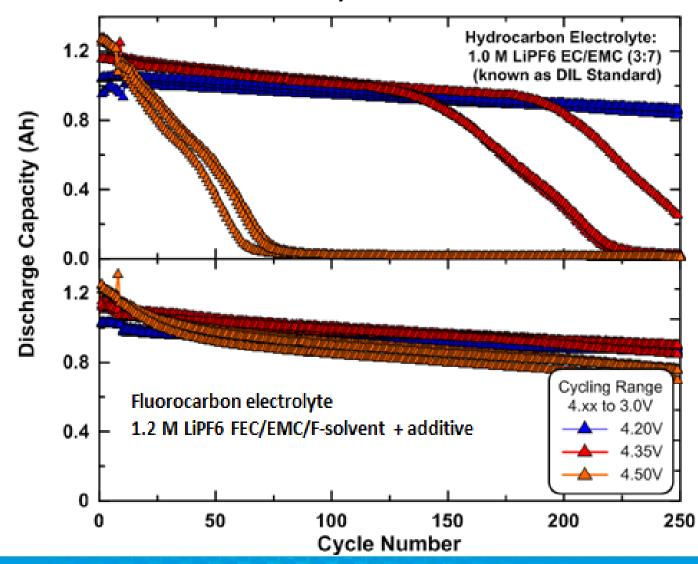
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High voltage cycling 60 °C

Cells filled with conventional hydrocarbon electrolyte are failing at app. 200 cycles when cycled to 4.35 V







Conventional hydrocarbon electrolyte

Daikin fluorocarbon electrolyte

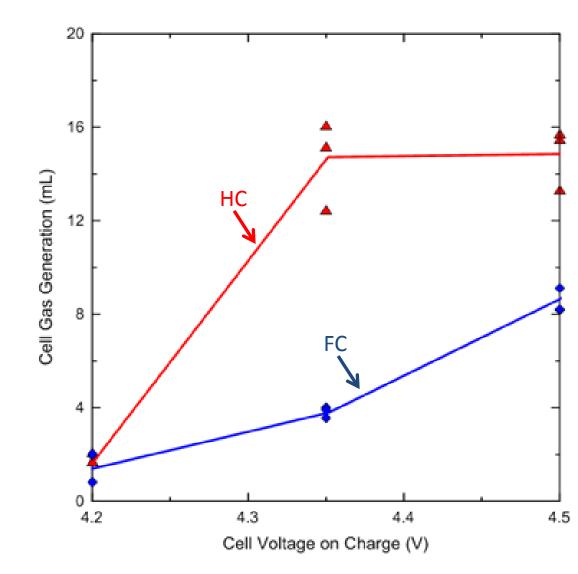


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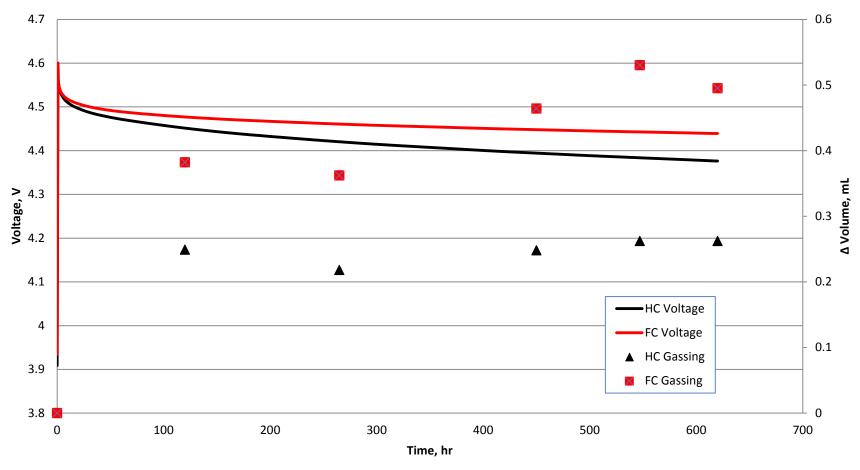
- Gas measured after 250 cycles or until cell failure
 - + Volume difference from initial cell volume
 - Archimedes method with water
 - No cell voltage change
- HC electrolyte cells cycled to 4.35 and 4.5 have failed
 - Gas volume also terminates
 - Can be used to indicate cell capacity
- FC electrolyte cells performing much better







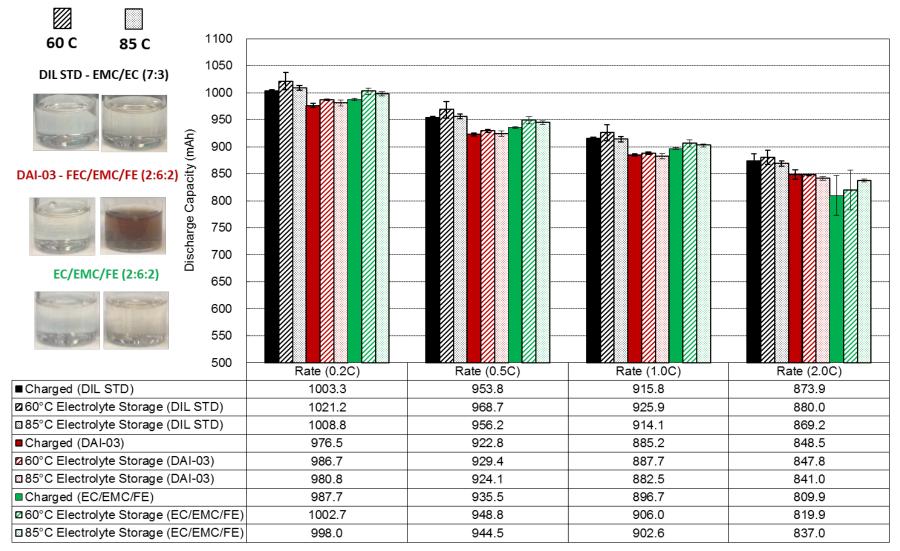






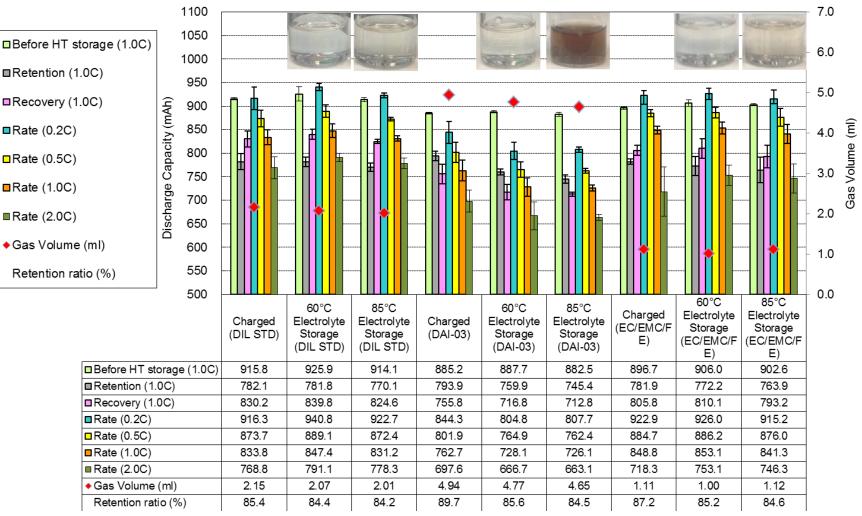
Thermal Properties - Electrolytes

Thermal aging of electrolyte shows salt decomposition in FEC based electrolytes





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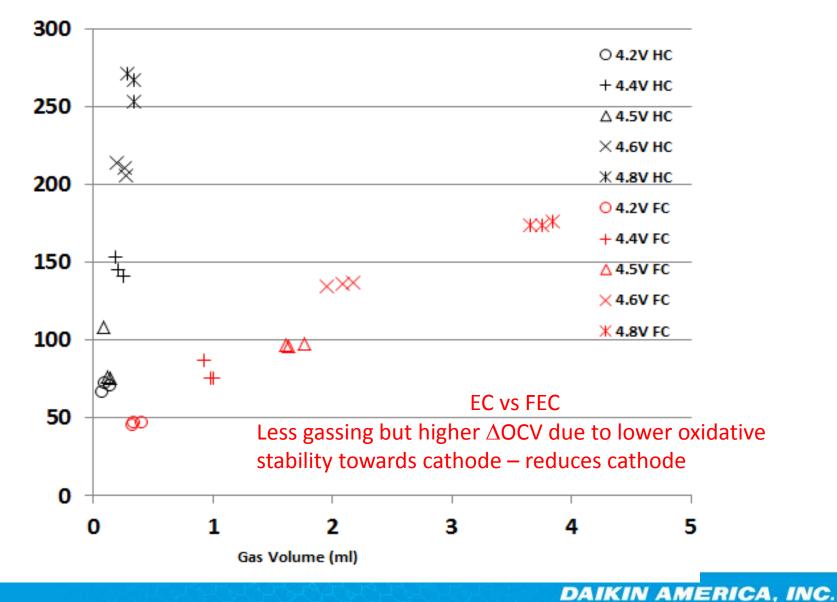


Rate test after 85oC 72hrs storage



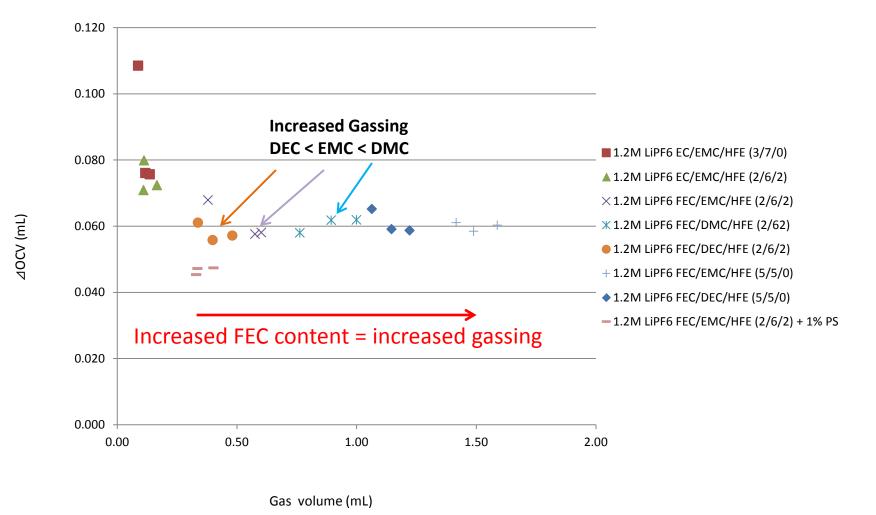
Gassing vs ∆OCV storage 60 C– Daikin Cells

Gas evolution and OCV drop is linear with voltage for same composition



OCV (mV)

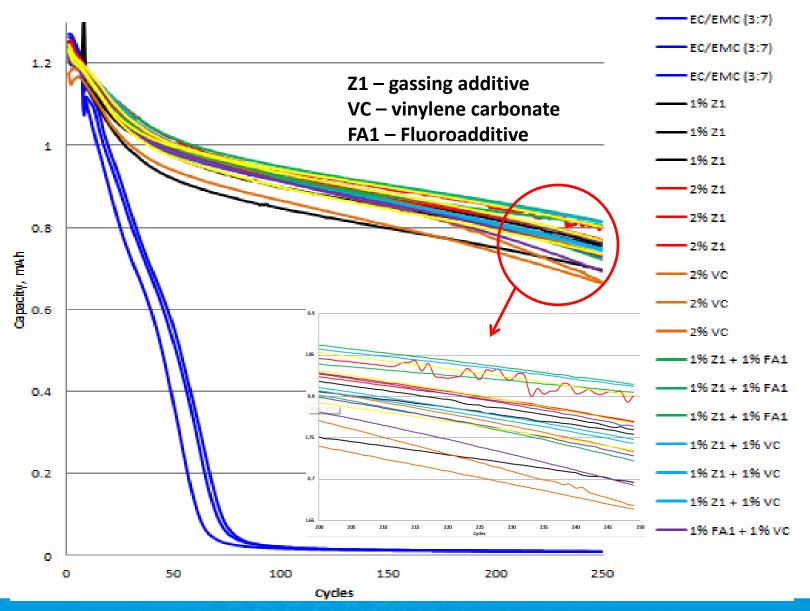




Work is now aligned at altering FEC with other highly polar molecules



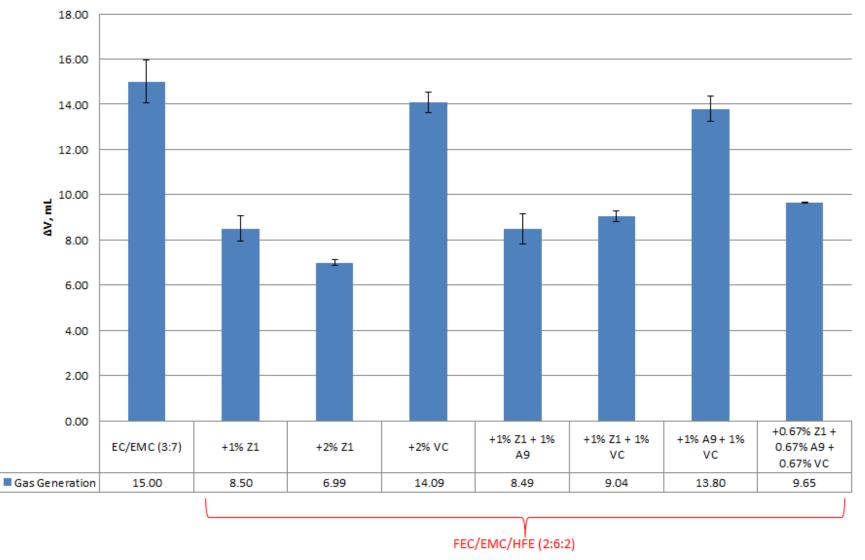
Additive package optimization





Additive package optimization

Gassing is generally a problem using VC at high voltage and temperature.





Overcharge 18 V/2 A constrained





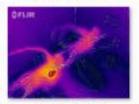




IR images of overcharge testing



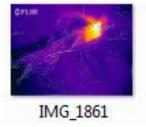
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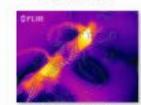


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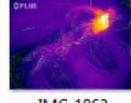
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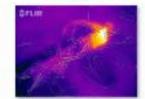
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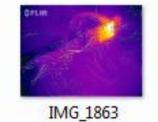
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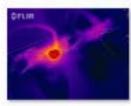


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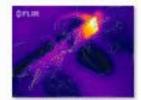


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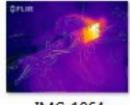
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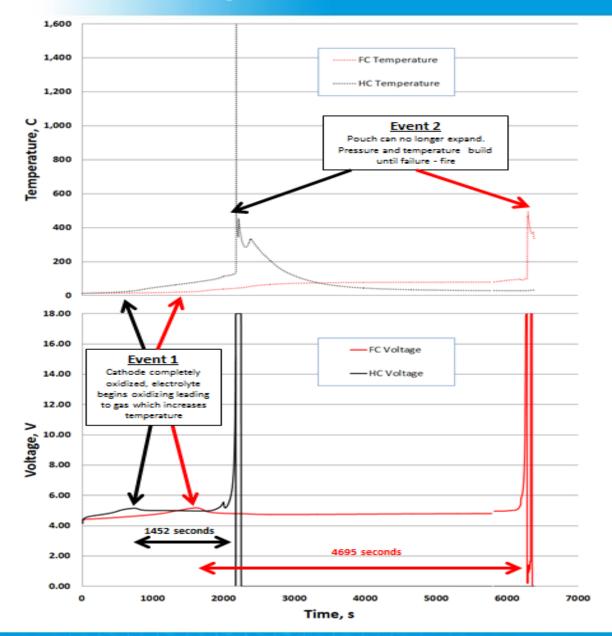
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Voltage/Temperature Data – Overcharge





- Using a property mapping technique, solvent and additive compositions were optimized in a first pass.
- Measurements show a 30% energy gain in a NMC (111)/graphite cell run at 4.5 V. The cells measured were not balanced and included no SEI additives.
- Electrolytes containing fluorinated compounds have superior cycling characteristics in NMC/graphite cells at elevated temperature (60 C) and voltage (4.5 V)
- Calendar life is impacted by FEC content in electrolyte. Mitigation strategies are in place.
- Fluorinated electrolytes help to mediate overcharge hazard and show reduce flammability



- Strategies for optimization are now aimed at reducing FEC content in final electrolyte
- Experiments are being completed to determine source of gas generation in cell (eg. Electrode surface reaction, electrolyte reaction)
- Surface analysis of the SEI films made by fluoro-additives is being completed which includes composition, physical characteristics and energetics of film formation.
- Final cells and reports to DOE with recommendation in October.



- Reviewer recommends for electrochemical window evaluation that glassy carbon should be considered along with platinum
 - Daikin is pursuing measurements on glassy carbon on a limited basis for comparison with platinum electrode data
- Reviewer requests cost estimates for baseline vs. improved formulations
 - The cost of improved electrolytes will be greater containing fluoro-chemicals, but without final formulation in place and volume estimates it is very difficult to get a realistic number. A significant part of Daikin R&D is revolved around lower cost manufacturing of fluoro-chemicals.
- Reviewer reiterates that the objective of the project is to develop an electrolyte up to 5 volts which is safe.
 - Daikin has elected to look at extending the electrolyte at least up to 4.6 V.
 Above that, we believe other factors in the battery impact the performance to an extent that the electrolyte measurements may be confounded.
- Multiple reviewers suggest that Daikin pursue more collaboration
 - The primary investigation involves electrolytes containing fluoro-chemicals which is specialized with respect to tasks. Daikin has pursued collaborations with Coulometrics for battery fabrication. In addition, the last part of the project involves surface characterization which Daikin will have to pursue wholly outside the company.

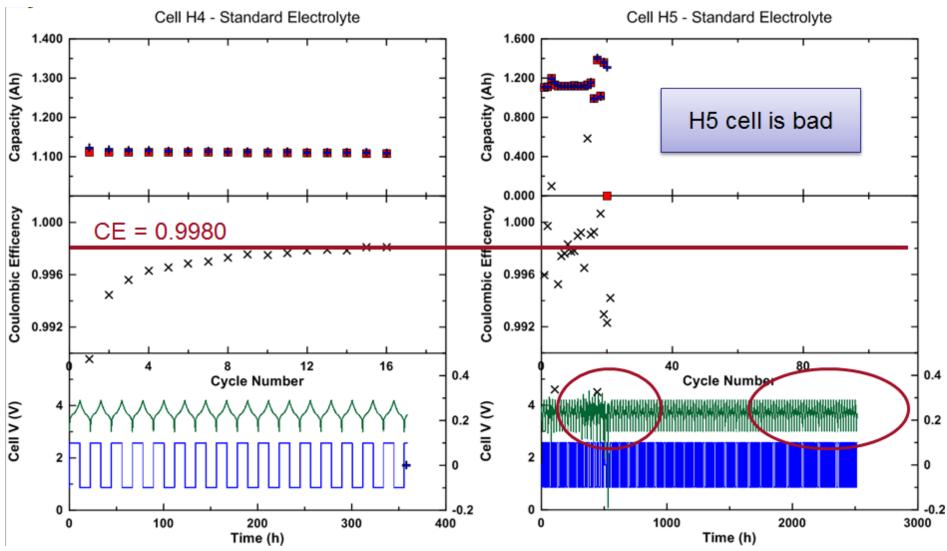


Additional Slides



High precision coulometry HC 4.2 V

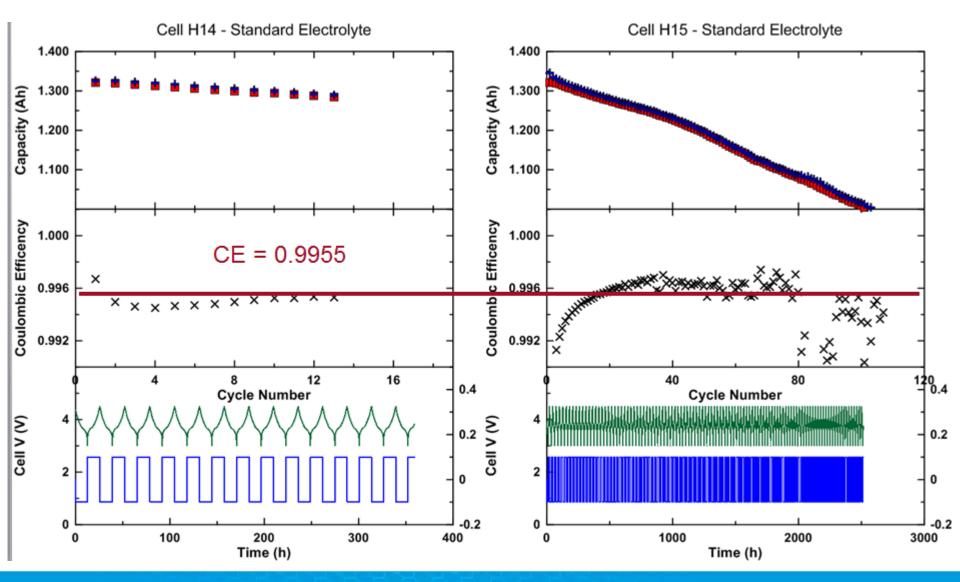
HC 4.2 V, 40 C





High precision coulometry HC 4.5 V

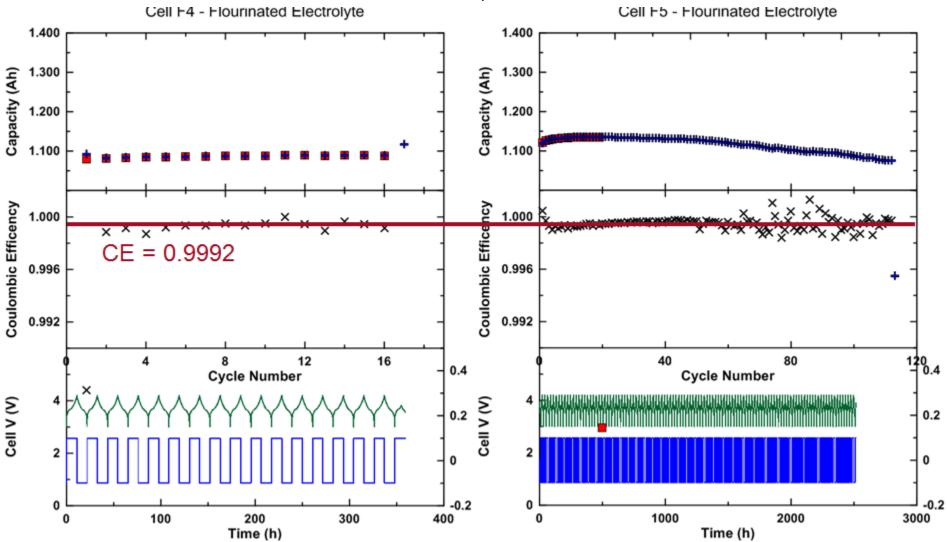
HC 4.5 V, 40 C





High precision coulometry FC 4.2 V

FC 4.2 V, 40 C





High precision coulometry FC 4.5 V

FC 4.5 V, 40 C

