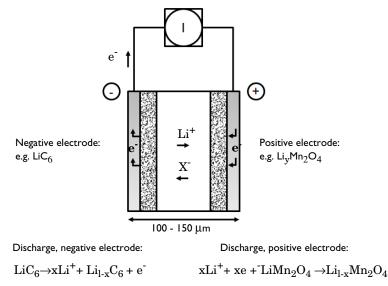


# ID Isothermal Lithium-Ion Battery

# Introduction

This example demonstrates the Lithium-Ion Battery interface for studying the discharge and charge of a lithium-ion battery for a given set of material properties. The geometry is in one dimension and the model is isothermal. Battery developers can use the model to investigate the influence of various design parameters such as the choice of materials, dimensions, and the particle sizes of the active materials — in this case, a carbon material in the negative electrode and lithium manganese oxide (LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> spinel) in the positive electrode. You can also benefit from simulating battery performance under different operating conditions and in different devices, for example, cell phones or laptop computers.

The example treats a detailed model of a discharge-recharge cycle for a lithium-ion battery. The model is based on a study by J. Newman and others (Ref. 1).



# Figure 1: Cross section of a lithium-ion battery showing the electrochemical processes that occur during operation.

The model includes the following processes:

- · Electronic current conduction in the electrodes
- Ionic charge transport in the electrodes and electrolyte/separator

- Material transport in the electrolyte, allowing for the introduction of the effects of concentration on ionic conductivity and concentration overpotential, which in this case are obtained from experimental data
- Material transport within the spherical particles that form the electrodes
- Butler–Volmer electrode kinetics using experimentally measured discharge curves for the equilibrium potential.

# Model Definition

This example models the battery cross section in 1D, which implies that edge effects in the length and height of the battery are neglected. The example uses the following domains:

- Negative porous electrode: 100 µm
- Polymer electrolyte: 52 μm
- Positive porous electrode: 174 μm

The ionic charge balances and material balances are modeled according to the equations for binary 1:1 electrolytes (Ref. 1). The material parameters for the electrolyte refer to a plasticized EC/DMC electrolyte residing in a polymer matrix, and the electrolyte volume fraction specified in the model hence refer to the sum of the liquid electrolyte and polymer matrix volume fractions.

The electric potential in the electron conducting phase,  $\phi_s$ , is calculated using a charge balance based on Ohm's law where the charge transfer reactions result in source or sink term.

For the electrolyte phase of the porous electrodes, effective conductivities,  $\sigma_l^{\text{eff}}$ , are used that take porosity and tortuosity into account as given by the following expression:

$$\sigma_l^{\text{eff}} = \sigma_l \varepsilon^{\gamma}$$

where  $\gamma$  is the Bruggeman coefficient, using a value of 3.3. The diffusivity is treated similarly.

Fickian diffusion describes the transport in the spherical particles. The diffusion equation is expressed in spherical coordinates for the material balance of lithium in the particles.

Butler-Volmer electrode kinetics describes the local charge transfer current density in the electrodes. The Butler-Volmer expressions are introduced as source or sink terms in the charge balances and material balances.

#### **BOUNDARY CONDITIONS**

For the electronic current balance, a potential of 0 V is set on the negative electrode's current collector/feeder boundary. At the positive electrode current collector/feeder, the current density is specified. In this model, the current density is cycled through a discharge, followed by an interval of zero current, and a final charging stage. The inner boundaries facing the separator are insulating for electric currents.

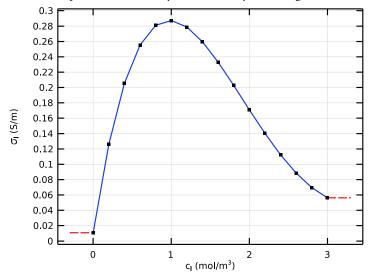
For the ionic charge balance in the electrolyte, the current collector/feeder boundaries are insulating. Insulation boundary conditions also apply to the material balances.

At the particle surface in the local particle model, the material flux is determined by the local electrochemical reaction rate.

# MATERIAL PROPERTIES

The material properties are those of a typical lithium-ion battery. The electrolyte consists of 2 M LiPF<sub>6</sub> salt in 1:2 EC:DMC (by volume) solvent and p(VDF-HFP). The electrode materials are carbon-based material for the negative electrode and  $Li_yMn_2O_4$  for the positive electrode.

The electrolyte conductivity and the equilibrium potential of the negative and positive electrodes are composition dependent through experimentally measured data. This data is tabulated in interpolating functions or the Material library in the model. The properties vary significantly during the charge and discharge phases due to the changes in composition.



The model specifies the electrolyte conductivity according to the function in Figure 2.

Figure 2: The model specifies the ionic conductivity of the electrolyte using an interpolation function according to this behavior with concentration.

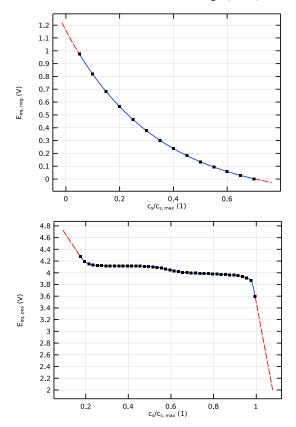


Figure 3 displays the equilibrium potentials for the negative and positive electrodes as functions of the measured state of charge (SOC).

Figure 3: The equilibrium voltage of the electrode materials.

The model uses the following definition of SOC:

SOC = 
$$\frac{c_{s, \text{Li}}^{\text{surf}}}{c_{s, \text{Li}}^{\text{max}}}$$

The initial SOC-values for the positive and negative electrodes are 0.17 and 0.56, respectively, with the concentrations selected initially in the model. This corresponds to an open circuit cell voltage of approximately 4.22 V, which corresponds to a fully charged battery.

For complete details on the material properties and constants, see Ref. 1.

# DISCHARGE CURVES

The battery is initially at a fully charged state. A first modeling approach is to simulate discharge at various current densities and then display the discharge curves. The results show the capacity of the battery at different discharge rates. This model defines end-of-discharge as the time when the cell voltage drops below 3 V. The nominal discharge current density, corresponding to case 1C below (a current density corresponding to a theoretical full discharge in one hour), is 17.5 A/m<sup>2</sup>.

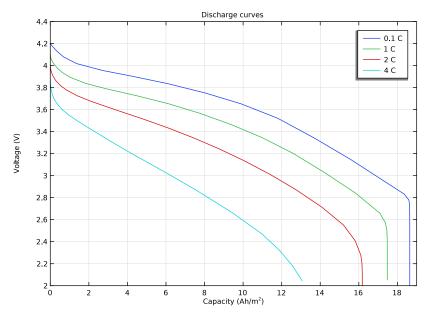


Figure 4: Discharge curves for various discharge rates.

Figure 4 shows that the maximum discharge capacity of 17.5  $Ah/m^2$  is obtained for a current density of 1.75  $A/m^2$  (0.1 C). It can also be seen that the 3 V discharge capacity decreases slightly when applying a 1C discharge current and dramatically when going above that. At 4C, the battery delivers approximately 50% of the theoretical capacity before it reaches a cell voltage of 3 V. The discharge curves are identical to those presented in Ref. 1.

#### DISCHARGE AND CHARGE CYCLE

Figure 5 depicts the discharge-charge cycle applied in the next step of the simulation. The cycle applies 2000 s of discharge at nominal current density (case 1C above), 300 s at open circuit, then 2000 s of charge at nominal current density, and finally open-circuit conditions.

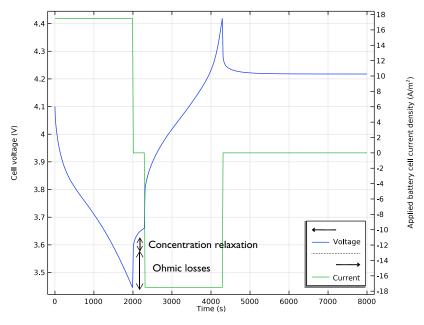


Figure 5: Cell voltage and current during the applied cycle.

During both discharge and charge, the cell voltage experiences ohmic losses of approximately 100 mV and a concentration overpotential of about 50 mV. These losses are clearly visible in the plot when the current is set to 0, where you can see an immediate relaxation of the voltage due to the relaxation of ohmic losses followed by a slower relaxation of the concentration overpotential.

It is possible to visualize the contributions of the different losses to the total overpotential. You can plot the contribution as shown in Figure 6 using the following procedure:

- I Plot the electrolyte potential profile at the initial stage of the discharge with a bias of 148 mV to get all the plots in the same range of potential.
- **2** Plot the electrolyte potential profile at the end of the discharge adding a bias of 558 mV, again in order to get the profile in the same scale as the overpotential.

**3** Plot the reaction overpotential profile.

All plots are within similar range of potential.

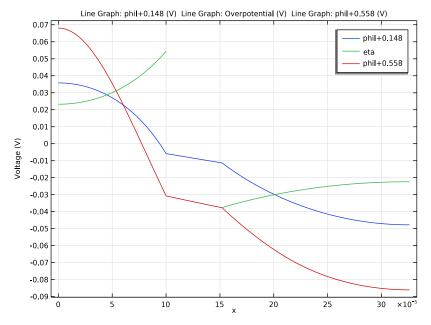


Figure 6: Voltage losses in the battery during discharge.

Figure 6 shows that the two main losses are due to the reaction overpotential and electrolyte resistance. The difference between electrolyte potential profiles initially and toward the end of the discharge stage indicates the influence of the concentration polarization; it is approximately half the magnitude of the two previous losses and is thus also important to consider. The figure does not include the electronic potential profile in the solid phase, but the simulations show that contributions from the ohmic losses in the electronic conductors are negligible.

To further investigate the reason for the steep voltage decrease, you can plot the concentration profile in the electrolyte. Figure 7 depicts the profile at several stages during the discharge and charge cycle.

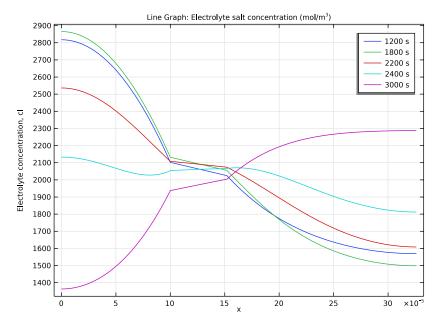


Figure 7: Electrolyte-phase concentration profiles at various times.

The cell experiences significant concentration polarization due to the low effective diffusion coefficient in the electrolyte, which in turn leads to variations in ionic conductivity and concentration overpotential.

The concentration in the solid phase at the surface of the particles also affects the current density. Figure 8 depicts the distribution of the concentration in the solid-phase particles just before the end of the discharge.

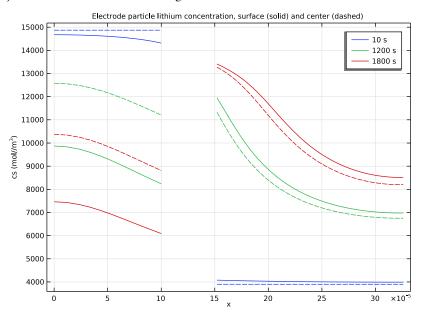


Figure 8: Concentration distribution of lithium in the solid particles during the discharge phase. (Dashed lines: Center of particles. Solid lines: Surface of particles.)

At 1800 s the concentration in the negative electrode varies from 9500 mol/m<sup>3</sup> in the particle center to approximately 7000 mol/m<sup>3</sup> at the surface, with moderate variation along the width of the cell. At the positive electrode, the variation along the width is much more pronounced with a surface concentration of approximately 13,000 mol/m<sup>3</sup> at the electrolyte interface and only 8500 mol/m<sup>3</sup> at the positive current collector/feeder. This large variation arises due to the nonuniform current distribution, which in turn is caused mainly by the poor electrolyte conductivity (due to low porosity) but also by the concentration.

As the surface concentration changes, the equilibrium voltage also varies, causing a lower reaction overpotential and a decrease in the local current density. This effect tends to even out the local charge transfer current density to some extent but results in a larger overall voltage loss in the battery.

# Reference

1. M. Doyle, J. Newman, A.S. Gozdz, C.N. Schmutz, and J.M. Tarascon, "Comparison of Modeling Predictions with Experimental Data from Plastic Lithium Ion Cells," *J. Electrochem. Soc.*, vol. 143, no. 6, pp. 1890–1903, 1996.

Application Library path: Battery\_Design\_Module/Batteries,\_Lithium-Ion/ li\_battery\_1d

# Modeling Instructions

From the File menu, choose New.

#### NEW

In the New window, click 🕙 Model Wizard.

# MODEL WIZARD

- I In the Model Wizard window, click ID.
- 2 In the Select Physics tree, select Electrochemistry>Batteries>Lithium-Ion Battery (liion).
- 3 Click Add.
- 4 Click 🔿 Study.
- 5 In the Select Study tree, select Preset Studies for Selected Physics Interfaces> Time Dependent with Initialization.

(The **Time Dependent with Initialization study** will perform a time-dependent simulation, using a initialization study step to calculate the initial potentials in the cell.)

6 Click **M** Done.

#### **GLOBAL DEFINITIONS**

# Parameters I

- I In the Model Builder window, under Global Definitions click Parameters I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Parameters, locate the Parameters section.
- 3 Click 📂 Load from File.
- 4 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file li\_battery\_1d\_parameters.txt.

#### GEOMETRY I

The geometry contains three domains. Create the geometry by specifying the lengths of the domains.

Interval I (i1)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (comp1) right-click Geometry I and choose Interval.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interval, locate the Interval section.
- **3** From the **Specify** list, choose **Interval lengths**.
- **4** In the table, enter the following settings:

Lengths (m)		
L_neg		
L_sep		

L\_pos

5 Click 틤 Build Selected.

#### **GLOBAL DEFINITIONS**

This model uses an interpolation function, imported from a text file, for the equilibrium potential of the negative electrode material.

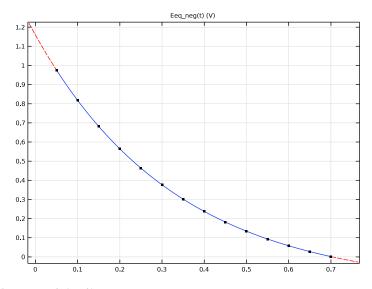
Interpolation 1 (int1)

- I In the Home toolbar, click f(X) Functions and choose Global>Interpolation.
- 2 In the Settings window for Interpolation, locate the Definition section.
- 3 From the Data source list, choose File.
- 4 Click **Browse**.
- 5 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file li\_battery\_1d\_Eeq\_neg.txt.
- 6 Click **[I** Import.
- 7 In the Function name text field, type Eeq\_neg.
- 8 Locate the Interpolation and Extrapolation section. From the Interpolation list, choose Cubic spline.
- 9 From the Extrapolation list, choose Nearest function.

**IO** Locate the **Units** section. In the **Function** table, enter the following settings:

Function	Unit		
Eeq_neg	V		

II Click 💿 Plot.

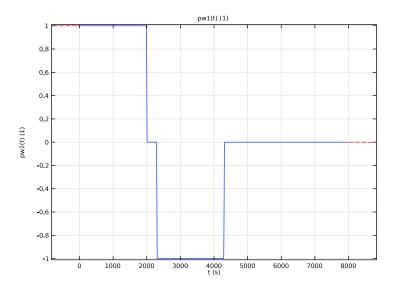


# Piecewise I (pwI)

The load cycle is set up using a Piecewise function. The data is imported from a text file and smoothing is enabled.

- I In the Home toolbar, click f(X) Functions and choose Global>Piecewise.
- 2 In the Settings window for Piecewise, locate the Definition section.
- **3** In the **Argument** text field, type t.
- 4 From the Smoothing list, choose Continuous second derivative.
- 5 From the Transition zone list, choose Absolute size.
- 6 In the Size of transition zone text field, type 10.
- 7 Find the Intervals subsection. Click 📂 Load from File.
- 8 Browse to the model's Application Libraries folder and double-click the file li\_battery\_1d\_load\_cycle.txt.
- 9 Locate the Units section. In the Arguments text field, type s.
- **IO** In the **Function** text field, type 1.

II Click 💿 Plot.



# DEFINITIONS

Variables (Positive Current Collector)

- I In the Home toolbar, click  $\partial =$  Variables and choose Local Variables.
- 2 In the Settings window for Variables, type Variables (Positive Current Collector) in the Label text field.
- **3** Locate the Geometric Entity Selection section. From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- **4** Select Boundary 4 only.
- **5** Locate the **Variables** section. In the table, enter the following settings:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
i_app	pw1(t)*i_1C	A/m²	Applied battery cell current density

# MATERIALS

This model also uses battery materials available in the material library.

# ADD MATERIAL

LMO is selected as positive electrode material.

- I In the Home toolbar, click 🙀 Add Material to open the Add Material window.
- 2 Go to the Add Material window.
- 3 In the tree, select Battery>Electrodes>LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Li-ion Battery).
- 4 Click Add to Component in the window toolbar.

Note: In the Materials node, cEeqref denotes the maximum lithium concentration in the active material.

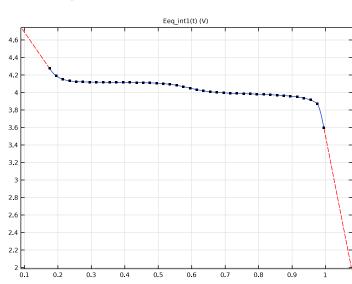
# MATERIALS

#### LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Li-ion Battery) (mat1)

- I Select Domain 3 only.
- 2 In the Model Builder window, expand the LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Liion Battery) (matl) node.

#### Interpolation I (Eeq\_int1)

I In the Model Builder window, expand the Component I (comp1)>Materials>LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Li-ion Battery) (mat1)>Equilibrium potential (elpot) node, then click Interpolation I (Eeq\_int1).



2 In the Settings window for Interpolation, click **O** Plot.

# ADD MATERIAL

LiPF6 in 1:2 EC:DMC and p(VdF-HFP) is selected as electrolyte.

- I Go to the Add Material window.
- 2 In the tree, select Battery>Electrolytes>LiPF6 in 1:2 EC:DMC and p(VdF-HFP) (Polymer, Liion Battery).
- 3 Click Add to Component in the window toolbar.
- 4 In the Home toolbar, click 🙀 Add Material to close the Add Material window.

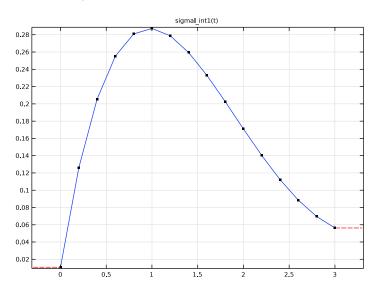
#### MATERIALS

LiPF6 in 1:2 EC:DMC and p(VdF-HFP) (Polymer, Li-ion Battery) (mat2)

- I Click in the Graphics window and then press Ctrl+A to select all domains.
- 2 In the Model Builder window, expand the LiPF6 in 1:2 EC:DMC and p(VdF-HFP) (Polymer, Li-ion Battery) (mat2) node.

Interpolation 1 (sigmal\_int1)

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Component I (comp1)>Materials> LiPF6 in 1:2 EC:DMC and p(VdF-HFP) (Polymer, Li-ion Battery) (mat2)> Electrolyte conductivity (ionc) node, then click Interpolation I (sigmal\_int1).
- **2** In the Settings window for Interpolation, click **Plot**.



#### LITHIUM-ION BATTERY (LIION)

#### Porous Electrode 1

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl) right-click Lithium-Ion Battery (liion) and choose Porous Electrode.
- **2** Select Domain 1 only.
- 3 In the Settings window for Porous Electrode, locate the Electrode Properties section.
- 4 From the  $\sigma_s$  list, choose User defined. In the associated text field, type Ks\_neg.
- **5** Locate the **Porous Matrix Properties** section. In the  $\varepsilon_l$  text field, type epsl\_neg.
- **6** In the  $\varepsilon_s$  text field, type epss\_neg.
- 7 Locate the Effective Transport Parameter Correction section. From the Electrolyte conductivity list, choose User defined. In the  $f_1$  text field, type epsl\_neg^brugg.
- 8 From the Electrical conductivity list, choose No correction.
- **9** From the **Diffusion** list, choose **User defined**. In the  $f_{Dl}$  text field, type epsl\_neg^brugg.

#### Particle Intercalation 1

- I In the Model Builder window, click Particle Intercalation I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Particle Intercalation, locate the Species Settings section.
- **3** In the  $c_{\text{s.init}}$  text field, type cs0\_neg.
- 4 From the  $c_{s,max}$  list, choose User defined. In the associated text field, type csmax\_neg.
- 5 Locate the Particle Transport Properties section. From the D<sub>s</sub> list, choose User defined. In the associated text field, type Ds\_neg.
- 6 In the r<sub>p</sub> text field, type rp\_neg.
- 7 Click to expand the Operational SOCs for Initial Cell Charge Distribution section. From the soc<sub>min</sub> list, choose User defined. From the soc<sub>max</sub> list, choose User defined.

# Porous Electrode Reaction I

- I In the Model Builder window, click Porous Electrode Reaction I.
- **2** In the **Settings** window for **Porous Electrode Reaction**, locate the **Equilibrium Potential** section.
- 3 From the E<sub>eq</sub> list, choose User defined. In the associated text field, type Eeq\_neg(liion.cs\_surface/csmax\_neg).
- 4 Locate the Electrode Kinetics section. From the Exchange current density type list, choose Rate constant.
- **5** In the *k* text field, type k\_neg.

- 6 In the c<sub>l.ref</sub> text field, type cl\_ref.
- 7 Click to expand the Heat of Reaction section. From the list, choose User defined.

#### Porous Electrode 2

- I In the Physics toolbar, click Domains and choose Porous Electrode.
- **2** Select Domain 3 only.

In the **Materials** node, the electrolyte material has been assigned to all domains. You hence need to set the electrode material selection manually, which in this case is LMO electrode material.

- 3 In the Settings window for Porous Electrode, locate the Electrode Properties section.
- 4 From the Electrode material list, choose LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Liion Battery) (mat1).
- **5** Locate the **Porous Matrix Properties** section. In the  $\varepsilon_1$  text field, type eps1\_pos.
- **6** In the  $\varepsilon_s$  text field, type epss\_pos.
- 7 Locate the Effective Transport Parameter Correction section. From the Electrolyte conductivity list, choose User defined. In the  $f_1$  text field, type epsl\_pos^brugg.
- 8 From the Electrical conductivity list, choose No correction.
- **9** From the **Diffusion** list, choose **User defined**. In the  $f_{Dl}$  text field, type epsl\_pos^brugg.

#### Particle Intercalation 1

- I In the Model Builder window, click Particle Intercalation I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Particle Intercalation, locate the Material section.
- 3 From the Particle material list, choose LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Liion Battery) (matl).
- 4 Locate the Species Settings section. In the  $c_{s,init}$  text field, type cs0\_pos.
- 5 Locate the Particle Transport Properties section. From the D<sub>s</sub> list, choose User defined. In the associated text field, type Ds\_pos.
- 6 In the r<sub>p</sub> text field, type rp\_pos.

Changing to quadratic elements in the particle dimension improves accuracy.

7 Click to expand the **Particle Discretization** section. In the  $N_{ord}$  text field, type 2.

#### Porous Electrode Reaction I

- I In the Model Builder window, click Porous Electrode Reaction I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Porous Electrode Reaction, locate the Material section.

- 3 From the Material list, choose LMO, LiMn2O4 Spinel (Positive, Li-ion Battery) (matl).
- 4 Locate the Electrode Kinetics section. From the Exchange current density type list, choose Rate constant.
- **5** In the *k* text field, type k\_pos.
- 6 In the c<sub>l.ref</sub> text field, type cl\_ref.

#### Electric Ground 1

- I In the Physics toolbar, click Boundaries and choose Electric Ground.
- 2 Select Boundary 1 only.

#### Electrode Current Density I

- I In the Physics toolbar, click Boundaries and choose Electrode Current Density.
- 2 Select Boundary 4 only.
- **3** In the **Settings** window for **Electrode Current Density**, locate the **Electrode Current Density** section.
- **4** In the  $i_{n,s}$  text field, type -i\_app.

#### Initial Values 1

- I In the Model Builder window, click Initial Values I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Initial Values, locate the Initial Values section.
- **3** In the *cl* text field, type c1\_0.

#### **GLOBAL DEFINITIONS**

#### Default Model Inputs

Set up the temperature value used in the entire model.

- I In the Model Builder window, under Global Definitions click Default Model Inputs.
- 2 In the Settings window for Default Model Inputs, locate the Browse Model Inputs section.
- 3 In the tree, select General>Temperature (K) minput.T.
- 4 Find the Expression for remaining selection subsection. In the Temperature text field, type T.

# STUDY I

First set up a study to investigate the defined discharge/charge cycle.

#### Step 2: Time Dependent

I In the Model Builder window, under Study I click Step 2: Time Dependent.

- 2 In the Settings window for Time Dependent, locate the Study Settings section.
- 3 In the **Output times** text field, type range(0,10,8000).
- **4** In the **Home** toolbar, click **= Compute**.

#### RESULTS

#### Boundary Electrode Potential with Respect to Ground (liion)

A number of plots are created by default. The first plot shows the electrode potential versus time on the boundary where you applied the current density condition. Since you grounded the other electrode, this equals the cell voltage. Modify this plot to also plot the battery current on a second *y*-axis. (Figure 5):

- I In the Model Builder window, under Results click Boundary Electrode Potential with Respect to Ground (liion).
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, click to expand the Title section.
- 3 From the Title type list, choose None.
- 4 Locate the Plot Settings section.
- 5 Select the y-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type Cell voltage (V).
- 6 Select the Two y-axes check box.
- 7 Locate the Legend section. From the Position list, choose Lower right.

#### Point Graph 1

I In the Model Builder window, expand the

**Boundary Electrode Potential with Respect to Ground (liion)** node, then click **Point Graph I**.

- 2 In the Settings window for Point Graph, click to expand the Legends section.
- 3 Select the Show legends check box.
- 4 From the Legends list, choose Manual.
- **5** In the table, enter the following settings:

#### Legends

#### Voltage

Point Graph 2

I Right-click Results>Boundary Electrode Potential with Respect to Ground (liion)> Point Graph I and choose Duplicate.

- In the Settings window for Point Graph, click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the y-Axis Data section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)> Definitions>Variables>i\_app Applied battery cell current density A/m<sup>2</sup>.
- 3 Locate the y-Axis section. Select the Plot on secondary y-axis check box.
- 4 Locate the Legends section. In the table, enter the following settings:

#### Legends

#### Current

5 In the Boundary Electrode Potential with Respect to Ground (liion) toolbar, click 💽 Plot.

#### ID Plot Group 6

Now reproduce the rest of the plots in the model documentation for the discharge/charge cycle, starting with a plot for comparing the different voltage losses (Figure 6).

- I In the Home toolbar, click 🚛 Add Plot Group and choose ID Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Data section.
- 3 From the Dataset list, choose None.

#### Line Graph 1

- I Right-click ID Plot Group 6 and choose Line Graph.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the Data section.
- 3 From the Dataset list, choose Study I/Solution I (soll).
- 4 From the Time selection list, choose From list.
- 5 In the Times (s) list, select 10.
- 6 Locate the Selection section. From the Selection list, choose All domains.
- 7 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the Expression text field, type phil+0.148.
- 8 Click to expand the Legends section. Select the Show legends check box.
- 9 From the Legends list, choose Manual.

**IO** In the table, enter the following settings:

#### Legends

phil+0.148

Line Graph 2

- I Right-click Line Graph I and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the y-Axis Data section.

3 In the Expression text field, type liion.eta\_per1.

4 Locate the Legends section. In the table, enter the following settings:

# Legends

eta

Line Graph 3

- I Right-click Line Graph 2 and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the Data section.
- 3 In the Times (s) list, select 1990.
- 4 Locate the y-Axis Data section. In the Expression text field, type phil+0.558.
- 5 Locate the Legends section. In the table, enter the following settings:

#### Legends

phil+0.558

#### ID Plot Group 6

- I In the Model Builder window, click ID Plot Group 6.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Plot Settings section.
- 3 Select the x-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type x.
- 4 Select the y-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type Voltage (V).
- 5 In the ID Plot Group 6 toolbar, click 💿 Plot.

#### Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion)

Modify the default plot of the electrolyte concentration to compare the profile at various times during the discharge/charge cycle (Figure 7).

- I In the Model Builder window, click Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion).
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Data section.
- **3** From the **Time selection** list, choose **From list**.
- 4 In the Times (s) list, choose 1200, 1800, 2200, 2400, and 3000.

#### Line Graph I

- I In the Model Builder window, expand the Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion) node, then click Line Graph I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the Legends section.
- 3 Select the Show legends check box.

#### Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion)

- I In the Model Builder window, click Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion).
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Plot Settings section.
- 3 Select the x-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type x.
- **4** Select the **y-axis label** check box. In the associated text field, type Electrolyte concentration, cl.
- 5 In the Electrolyte Salt Concentration (liion) toolbar, click 💿 Plot.

#### ID Plot Group 7

This plot shows the concentration profile within the particles in the electrodes (Figure 8).

- I In the Home toolbar, click 🚛 Add Plot Group and choose ID Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Data section.
- **3** From the **Time selection** list, choose **From list**.
- 4 In the Times (s) list, choose 10, 1200, and 1800.
- 5 Locate the Title section. From the Title type list, choose Manual.
- 6 In the Title text area, type Electrode particle lithium concentration, surface (solid) and center (dashed).
- 7 Locate the Plot Settings section.
- 8 Select the x-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type x.
- 9 Select the y-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type cs (mol//m<sup>3</sup>).

#### Line Graph I

- I Right-click ID Plot Group 7 and choose Line Graph.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the Selection section.
- **3** From the Selection list, choose All domains.
- 4 Click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the y-Axis Data section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)>Lithium-lon Battery>Particle intercalation> liion.cs\_surface Insertion particle concentration, surface mol/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 5 Locate the Legends section. Select the Show legends check box.

#### Line Graph 2

- I In the Model Builder window, right-click ID Plot Group 7 and choose Line Graph.
- 2 In the Settings window for Line Graph, locate the Selection section.
- 3 From the Selection list, choose All domains.

- 4 Click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the y-Axis Data section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)>Lithium-lon Battery>Particle intercalation> liion.cs\_center Insertion particle concentration, center mol/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 5 Click to expand the Coloring and Style section. Find the Line style subsection. From the Line list, choose Dashed.
- 6 From the Color list, choose Cycle (reset).
- 7 In the ID Plot Group 7 toolbar, click 💿 Plot.
- 8 Click the 4 Zoom Extents button in the Graphics toolbar.

# GLOBAL DEFINITIONS

To reproduce the discharge curves in Figure 4, modify the problem formulation slightly to use a constant discharge current only, and then set up a parametric study that solves for four different discharge currents. Use a stop condition to stop the solver if the cell voltage drops below 2.0 V.

Parameters 1

Begin by adding a global current variable.

I In the Model Builder window, under Global Definitions click Parameters I.

2 In the Settings window for Parameters, locate the Parameters section.

**3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Name	Expression	Value	Description		
С	1	1	C-rate factor for the parametric study		

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Also, add a variable for the discharge current.

Variables (Positive Current Collector)

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Definitions click Variables (Positive Current Collector).
- 2 In the Settings window for Variables, locate the Variables section.
- **3** In the table, enter the following settings:

Name	Expression	Unit	Description
i_app_p	C*i_1C	A/m²	Discharge current for the parametric study

# Integration 1 (intop1)

Using a integration operator you can access the cell voltage at the positive current collector boundary during the computation.

- I In the Definitions toolbar, click 🖉 Nonlocal Couplings and choose Integration.
- 2 In the Settings window for Integration, locate the Source Selection section.
- 3 From the Geometric entity level list, choose Boundary.
- **4** Select Boundary 4 only.
- 5 In the **Operator name** text field, type **PositiveCC**.

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#### Electrode Current Density I

Now add a second Electrode Current Density boundary condition node, by duplicating the existing one, for use in a second study.

# Electrode Current Density 2 - Study 2

- I In the Model Builder window, under Component I (compl)>Lithium-Ion Battery (liion) right-click Electrode Current Density I and choose Duplicate.
- 2 In the Settings window for Electrode Current Density, type Electrode Current Density 2 Study 2 in the Label text field.
- **3** Locate the **Electrode Current Density** section. In the  $i_{n,s}$  text field, type -i\_app\_p.

#### Electrode Current Density I - Study I

- I In the Model Builder window, click Electrode Current Density I.
- 2 In the Settings window for Electrode Current Density, type Electrode Current Density 1 Study 1 in the Label text field.

#### ADD STUDY

- I In the Home toolbar, click  $\sim\sim$  Add Study to open the Add Study window.
- 2 Go to the Add Study window.
- Find the Studies subsection. In the Select Study tree, select
   Preset Studies for Selected Physics Interfaces>Time Dependent with Initialization.
- 4 Click Add Study in the window toolbar.
- 5 In the Home toolbar, click  $\sim 2$  Add Study to close the Add Study window.

#### STUDY 2

Step 2: Time Dependent

- I In the Model Builder window, under Study 2 click Step 2: Time Dependent.
- 2 In the Settings window for Time Dependent, locate the Study Settings section.
- 3 In the **Output times** text field, type 0 40000.

Disable the first Electrode Current Density node in this study.

- 4 Locate the Physics and Variables Selection section. Select the Modify model configuration for study step check box.
- 5 In the tree, select Component I (comp1)>Lithium-Ion Battery (liion)> Electrode Current Density I - Study I.
- 6 Right-click and choose Disable.

Similarly, if you choose to run Study 1 again later, you need to disable the second Electrode Current Density node in that study.

Parametric Sweep

I In the Study toolbar, click **Parametric Sweep**.

Modify the default solver.

- 2 In the Settings window for Parametric Sweep, locate the Study Settings section.
- 3 Click + Add.
- 4 In the table, enter the following settings:

Parameter name	Parameter value list	Parameter unit
C (C-rate factor for the	0.1 1 2 4	
parametric study)		

Solution 3 (sol3)

I In the Study toolbar, click **here** Show Default Solver.

Introduce a stop condition to stop the solver and move on to the next parameter value if the cell voltage drops below a certain level.

- 2 In the Model Builder window, expand the Solution 3 (sol3) node.
- 3 Right-click Study 2>Solver Configurations>Solution 3 (sol3)>Time-Dependent Solver I and choose Stop Condition.
- 4 In the Settings window for Stop Condition, locate the Stop Expressions section.
- 5 Click + Add.

6 In the table, enter the following settings:

Stop expression	Stop if	Active	Description
<pre>comp1.PositiveCC(comp1.phis)&lt;2. 0</pre>	True (>=1)	$\checkmark$	Stop expression 1

Specify that the solution is to be stored both before and after the stop condition is reached.

- 7 Locate the Output at Stop section. From the Add solution list, choose Steps before and after stop.
- 8 Clear the Add warning check box.

Change the output of the solver to store all solver steps to get better resolution for the discharge curves.

Store the actual steps taken by the solver to make sure to capture any sudden steep voltage changes.

9 In the Model Builder window, under Study 2>Solver Configurations>Solution 3 (sol3) click Time-Dependent Solver 1.

10 In the Settings window for Time-Dependent Solver, locate the General section.

II From the Times to store list, choose Steps taken by solver.

Store only every 3rd time step. This reduces the size of the stored solution and the size of model file.

- **12** In the **Store every Nth step** text field, type **3**.
- **I3** In the **Model Builder** window, click **Study 2**.

14 In the Settings window for Study, locate the Study Settings section.

**I5** Clear the **Generate default plots** check box.

**I6** In the **Study** toolbar, click **Compute**.

# RESULTS

You can now plot the discharge curves for the parametric study by performing the following steps (Figure 4):

#### ID Plot Group 8

- I In the Home toolbar, click 🚛 Add Plot Group and choose ID Plot Group.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Data section.
- 3 From the Dataset list, choose Study 2/Parametric Solutions I (sol5).

This dataset contains the battery model solutions for the parametric sweep in Study 2.

#### Point Graph 1

- I Right-click ID Plot Group 8 and choose Point Graph.
- 2 Select Boundary 4 only.
- 3 In the Settings window for Point Graph, click Replace Expression in the upper-right corner of the y-Axis Data section. From the menu, choose Component I (compl)> Lithium-Ion Battery>phis Electric potential V.
- 4 Locate the x-Axis Data section. From the Parameter list, choose Expression.

To obtain the capacity along the horizontal axis, multiply the time in hours by the discharge current.

- **5** In the **Expression** text field, type (t[s]/1[h])\*i\_app\_p.
- 6 Locate the Legends section. Select the Show legends check box.
- 7 From the Legends list, choose Evaluated.
- 8 In the Legend text field, type eval(C) C.
- 9 In the ID Plot Group 8 toolbar, click 🗿 Plot.

#### ID Plot Group 8

Finish the plot by adding a title and axis labels and adjusting the axis ranges.

- I In the Model Builder window, click ID Plot Group 8.
- 2 In the Settings window for ID Plot Group, locate the Title section.
- **3** From the **Title type** list, choose **Manual**.
- 4 In the **Title** text area, type **Discharge** curves.
- **5** Locate the **Plot Settings** section.
- 6 Select the x-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type Capacity (Ah/ m<sup>2</sup>).
- 7 Select the y-axis label check box. In the associated text field, type Voltage (V).
- 8 Locate the Axis section. Select the Manual axis limits check box.
- **9** In the **x minimum** text field, type **0**.
- **IO** In the **x maximum** text field, type **19**.
- II In the **y minimum** text field, type **2.0**.
- **12** In the **y maximum** text field, type **4.4**.
- **I3** In the **ID Plot Group 8** toolbar, click **ID Plot**.