### The Evolution of Industrial Battery Metrics Footprint, Weight, Volume and Maintenance

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### Agenda

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Traditional Technologies
- 3. New Industrialized Lithium-ion Technologies
- 4. Application Case Study
- 5. Maintenance Comparisons







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### Ah – Ampere-hours

- Battery's rating of capacity
- 1 amp for 1 hour = 1Ah

### Rated capacity of a battery

- Amps available at a fixed time, to a fixed end of discharge voltage, at a standard temperature
- Ni-Cd batteries rated capacity is measured at: (per IEC60623)

 5 hours, to 1.00Volts per cell (Volts/Cell) at 77°F, at fully charged state; Example: 235Ah = 47A for 5 Hours

- Lead-Acid Batteries rated at the 8hr rate to 1.75VPC @ 77F.
- Power = Instantaneous (V x I)

Energy = Power x Time

### **Battery Basics**

### **Traditional Products**

- Electrolyte and Active Materials:
  - Lead & Acid
    - $_{\circ}$  Sulfuric Acid (H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)
      - pH = ~2
      - Nominal Cell Voltage = 2.0VDC
  - Nickel-Cadmium
    - Electrolyte: Potassium Hydroxide (no part of the chemical equation)

Equation 1

- pH = ~11
- Nominal Cell Voltage = 1.2VDC
- Electrolyte acts as preservative and means to transfer energy





 $H^+ + HSO_4^-$ 



H<sub>2</sub>SO₄

### Battery Basics History

### The Early Day of Batteries

- Gaston Plante
  - French Physician
  - Invented the first rechargeable (secondary lead-acid battery in 1859
- Waldemar Jungner
  - Swedish Chemist
  - Invented the first rechargeable nickel-cadmium battery in 1899



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### Battery Basics History

### Traditional Battery Improvements...

- 1970's: the development of valve regulated lead-acid batteries
- 1980's: Market introduces "ultra low" maintenance nickel-cadmium batteries
- 2010: Saft introduces maintenance-free\* nickel-cadmium batteries
  - The term maintenance-free means the battery does not require water during it's entire service life (20+ years and under recommended conditions)

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# Battery Basics

History

### The future of batteries – Lithium-ion

- 1991: Sony introduced the first Li-ion cell (18650 format)
- 1992: Saft introduced its commercially available Li-ion cell
- 1976: Exxon researcher Whittingham described lithium-ion concept in Science publication entitled "Electrical Energy Storage and Intercalation Chemistry"





### **Overview of Battery Types**

### **Global Market of Batteries**



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# TRADITIONAL TECHNOLOGIES

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- Lead Acid Batteries
  VLA vented / flooded cells
  - Calcium, Selenium, Antimony and Planté plate designs
  - Nominal 2.00 volts per cell
  - Designs established 1880s and 1890s
  - 20th-century work limited mainly to alloy research
  - Electrolyte Sulfuric acid (H2So4) 1.205 1.275 Sp. Gr.
  - Typical Service life 12 15 years {Planté 25 years}
- Lead Acid Batteries VRLA Valve Regulated Lead Acid
  - Introduced in 1973 current VRLA designs established in 1980s
  - Suitable for controlled non-critical environments
  - Low cost ? Low maintenance ? With monitoring equipment ?
  - Typical Service life 3 7 years

### Lead Acid Batteries



### **Nickel Cadmium Batteries**

- Nickel Cadmium vented / flooded IEC 60623
  - Pocket Plate plate designs
  - Nominal 1.20 volts per cell
  - Design established 1900 1901
  - L, M and H rate plate types established 1960s
  - New plate types (plastic bonded, fiber) established 1950s
  - Electrolyte Potassium hydroxide / lithium (KoH) 1.190 1.250 Sp. Gr.
  - Design life 20 25 years
- Nickel Cadmium vented / flooded Gas recombinant IEC 62259
  - L & M rate low maintenance types established towards the end 1980s
  - L & M rate maintenance-free types established 2012
    - The term maintenance-free means that no addition of water is necessary during the life time of the product when operating under recommended conditions.

### **Nickel Cadmium Batteries**



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### Li-ion: What's Different?

- Aqueous cells use water based electrolyte, water electrolyzes at 1.3 V (Ni-Cd) and 2.15 (Pb-acid) thermodynamically
  - Acidic electrolyte
    - 。 E.g. Pb-acid using H2SO4 solution as electrolyte; cell voltage is 2.2V
  - Alkaline electrolyte
    - Ni-Cd (1.2V), Ni-MH (1.25V) using KOH solution
- Li cells use organic electrolyte in order to be stable at cell voltage exceeding 3V.
  - Li primary cells use Li metal as the negative electrode
  - Li-ion no metallic Li, uses graphite to host Li-ions in a mix of carbonate solvents with Li-salt as electrolyte
  - Li polymer-like Li ion but with a gel electrolyte

### Li-ion reaction mechanism



### Li-ion: Many Flavors

#### Currently Used Cathodes

- $LiCoO_2$ = LCO – Cell Phones, Tablets, Cameras
- LiNiCoAIO<sub>2</sub> = NCA – Industrial, EV's
- LiNiMnCoO<sub>2</sub>
- LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>
- LiFePO₄

- - = NMC E-bikes, Medical Devices, EV's
    - = LMO Power Tools, Medical Devices
    - = LFP Portable and Stationary, high load applications
- Currently Used Anodes
  - = Carbon (C) • Graphite
- **Emerging anodes** 
  - = Lithium Titanate Oxide (LTO)  $Li_4Ti_5O_{12}$ ٠
  - Alloy anodes = Si and Sn based (Silicon and Tin)







Source: BCG Research

The furthered colored shape extends along a given axis, the better the performance along that dimensi

### **Cell Formats**

- Cylindrical
  - Provides best support for expansion and contraction of electrodes during cycling
  - Suitable for higher capacity levels per cell
  - Required for some chemistries that produce low levels of gas over life (easier containment)
  - Less factory handling required
- Prismatic
  - Better energy density with thermal barriers
- Pouch
  - Difficult to seal for long life
- Capacities determined by geometry (up to 80Ah per cell)



### Li-ion Modular Assemblies

- Smart batteries require communications
- BMM Battery management module
- Master BMM for multiple strings

- SOC State of charge
- SOH State of health
- Temperature management
- Safety functions











### Introduction

- We are all familiar with battery applications and today we are going to look at other considerations that can influence our industrial battery selections.
  - Battery Technologies
  - The "Load Profile" you do really need this
  - The Initial Battery Cost
  - Footprint
  - Volume
  - Weight
  - Cycle Life
  - Power Density
  - Preventive Maintenance or Maintenance Free
  - Life Cycle Cost

### Main "Standby" Applications

- Switchgear
  - Medium to High Performance Requirements
  - Load Profile!
  - 48V and 120V
  - Industrial and Utility
- UPS
  - Short Duration Commercial = High Performance
  - Long Duration UPS = Long or Medium Performance
  - Industrial, Data Center and OEM
- Engine Starting (the forgotten application)
  - 12V or 24V
  - Diesel Genset
  - Fire Pumps
- DC Controls
  - SCADA
  - Turbine Control
  - Emergency Lighting







### Load Profile and Environmental Parameter

- Vmin = 105 Vdc
- Vnom = 125 Vdc
- Vmax = 140 Vdc
- $-t \min = 32^{\circ}F$
- $-t \text{ nom} = 68^{\circ}\text{F}$
- $t \max = 104^{\circ}F$
- Design Margin = 1.10
- Aging Factor = 1.25
- Recharge time = 8 12 hrs

- $-L_1 = 146A$  for 1 min {\*0.017 min}
- $-L_2 = 13A$  for 1 min {\*0.017 min}
- $-L_3 = 18A$  for 1 min {\*0.58 min}
- L<sub>4</sub> = 6A for 474 mins {\*478.77 min}
- $-L_5 = 146A$  for 1 min {\*0.017 min}
- $-L_6 = 13A \text{ for } 1 \text{ min } \{*0.017 \text{ min}\}$
- $-L_7 = 18A$  for 1 min {\*0.58 min}
- Note: Ni-Cd & Li-ion discharge periods are 1 second or greater {\*}

### **Results - Capacity**



### Results – Footprint / Volume / Weight



Application Summary								
Battery	Energy	Footprint	Volume	Weight				
VLA	100%	100%	100%	100%				
VRLA	53%	40%	37%	44%				
NiCd	38%	40%	38%	12%				
Lithium-ior	า 25%	18%	14%	11%				
Battery Properties								
Battery	Energy Density (wh/kg)	Power Density (w/kg)	Cycle Life	Operating Temperature				
VLA	25 – 40	20 - 30	400	-10°F to 104°F				
VRLA	35 – 45	30 - 70	250 – 800	-10°F to 104°F				
NiCd	35 – 50	40 - 160	600 - 2000	-40°F to 122°F				
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\*based on SLFP chemistry

## **Related Standards for Emerging Technologies**

### - IEEE Std 1679-2010

- IEEE Recommended Practice for the Characterization and Evaluation of Emerging Energy Storage Technologies in Stationary Applications
- Recommended information for an objective evaluation of an emerging energy storage device or system for any stationary application
- The storage medium may be electrochemical (e.g., batteries), kinetic (e.g., flywheels), electrostatic (e.g., electric double-layer capacitors), thermal, or some other medium
- Devices recharged by non-electrical means, such as fuel cells,
- are beyond the scope of this document
- The document provides a common basis for the
- expression of performance characteristics and
- the treatment of life-testing data
- IEEE Std 1679.1 draft format
- UL1642, UL1778, UL1973

#### The Four Pillars of System **Design & Safety** of Chemistry Particle contamination. Current Design Electronics of incoming interruption Cathode Design Cont materials Materials and LINICOAIO, LIFePO, Venting Software Particle and LINIMACOD, System humidity Mechanical Thermal Cell control Choice Anode Mgmt Architecture Process validation/ Others control User Requirements



### Battery technology differentiation



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### Sodium-Ion

### What is it?

 Similar to Li-ion, but one step down on the periodic table. Replaces Li with Na. Could be multiple families, like Li-ion

### What are the advantages?

Cost is a driving force. Na is more abundant and cheaper than Li.
 Could be used for stationary applications, because will not compete against Li in energy density.

#### When can we expect it?

 The cell components would be the same as Li-ion. The development is on electrode materials, with hopes for industrialization by 2020





### Lithium-Sulfur



### What is it?

 Making a primary cell, rechargeable. There are no host structures for ions. Lithium anode is consumed and sulfur is transformed during discharge, opposite occurs for charging.

### What are the advantages?

 Extremely light weight. 4x to 5x more energy dense than Li-ion. Great fit for aviation, drone and space applications

### When can we expect it?

 Li-S technology needs more research and development to improve life. Industrialization for long life applications is not for 5 years.



### Solid-State

### What is it?

 Replaces liquid electrolyte with solid compound, but allows Lithiumions to move within it.

### What are the advantages?

 Safety is key. Inorganic solid electrolytes are non0flammable when heated. This technology also permits the use of innovative, highvoltage, high-capacity material, enabling denser, lighter batteries.

#### When can we expect it?

 Several kinds of all-solid-state batteries are likely to come to market as technological progress continues. First will be graphite-based, but with much higher safety and performance.





