

Vehicle and energy storage technology

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- Over the last 10 years, we have a long experience of dealing with advanced batteries for HEV/PHEV/EV applications
- Activities include:
 - Battery characterization
 - Battery models
 - Battery aging
 - Battery diagnostic and prognostics
 - Battery laboratory testing
 - Battery vehicle testing and evaluation
 - SoC in-vehicle estimation and control
 - Material characterization of aged cells
- All activities involve extensive experimental capabilities, vehicle prototypes, computer models and algorithms

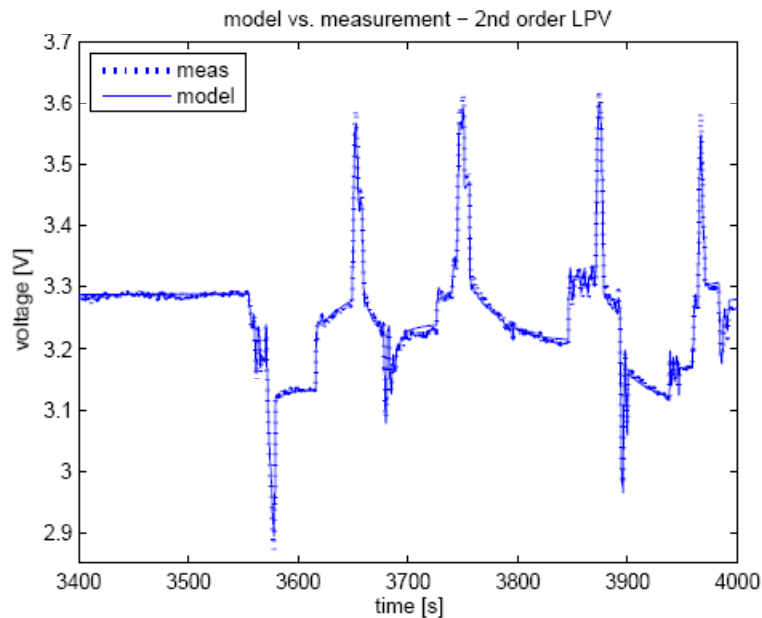
- Used for large simulation and optimization problems
- Homogeneous, off-the-shelf hardware
 - 32 nodes
 - 80 Processors (2 or 4 Processors per node)
 - 2 GB Memory in each Node
 - RISC Intel based Architecture
 - Secured with multiple firewalls
 - Able to be commanded remotely
 - Multiple Operating Systems
 - 24 Port Gigabit Ethernet Switch



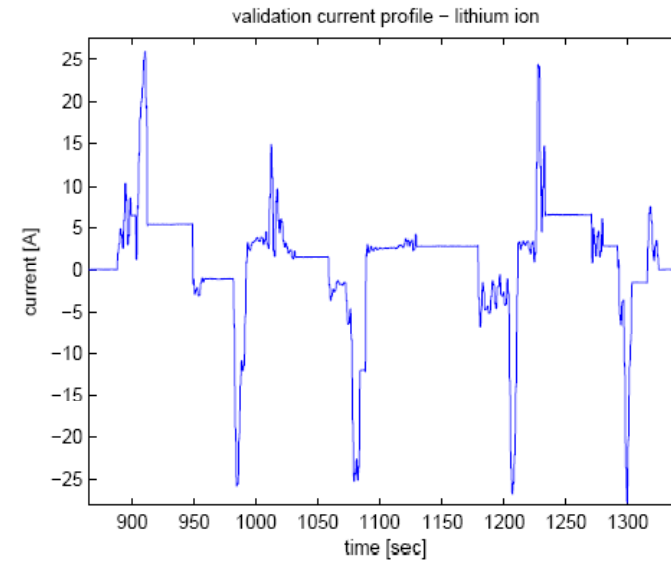
Genetic Algorithms adopted to identify battery parameters

- It is computationally expensive, but...
- It is highly parallelizable – our version is capable of using multiple computers on our computing cluster to do one optimization

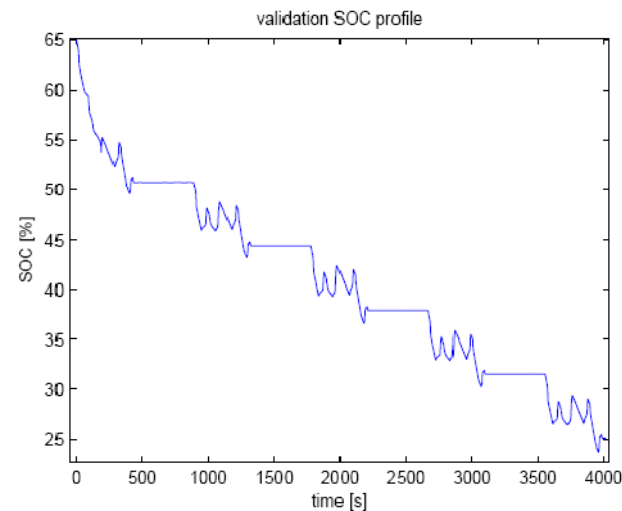
Model is validated using a driving profile generated from actual Toyota Prius driving data



Model output vs. voltage measurement – very good agreement



One period of the current profile



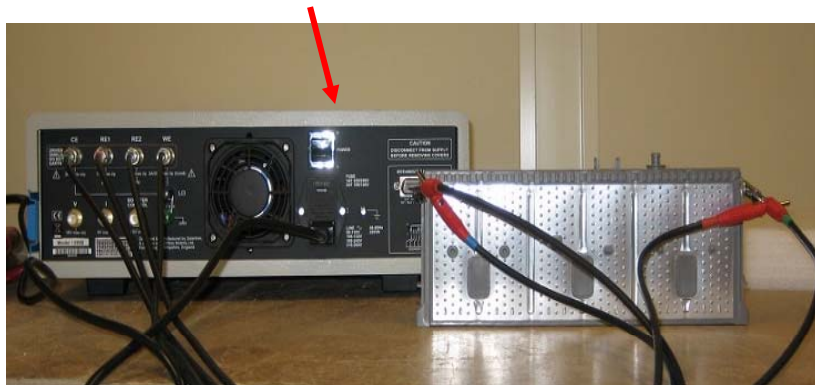
SOC profile of the overall test profile

- The aging facility has been fully operational since 1/08 with 6 stations + 2/3 more since August/September '08
- Laboratory has accumulated many aggressive HEV aging cycles (300,000 A.h approx) on multiple battery samples (A123 Li-ion cells and Panasonic NiMH modules) in last 8 months... and counting...
- Current testing and research programs with specific OEMs/government agencies have the existing facility fully committed for at least next 18 months (several chemistries, multiple samples, different SoC and DoD, aging cycles...). **Additional test set-ups to service additional needs are constantly being added to facility and will be built upon request**
- Aging is monitored at regular intervals with EIS and other electrical, non-intrusive diagnostics (in addition to capacity, power pulse and cold start tests)

Aging data related to 'cycles' (defined by easily assessable profiles under well controlled conditions) are *not representative* of conditions actually encountered in real life vehicular applications.

- Need much more sophisticated aging assessment, experimentation, diagnostics and prognostics
- Need to understand at the system level (design, sizing, control...) damage mechanisms responsible for aging
- Need to translate cell information to pack behavior and failure modes
- Need to correlate macroscopic aging manifestations to internal material damage mechanisms

EIS Solartron

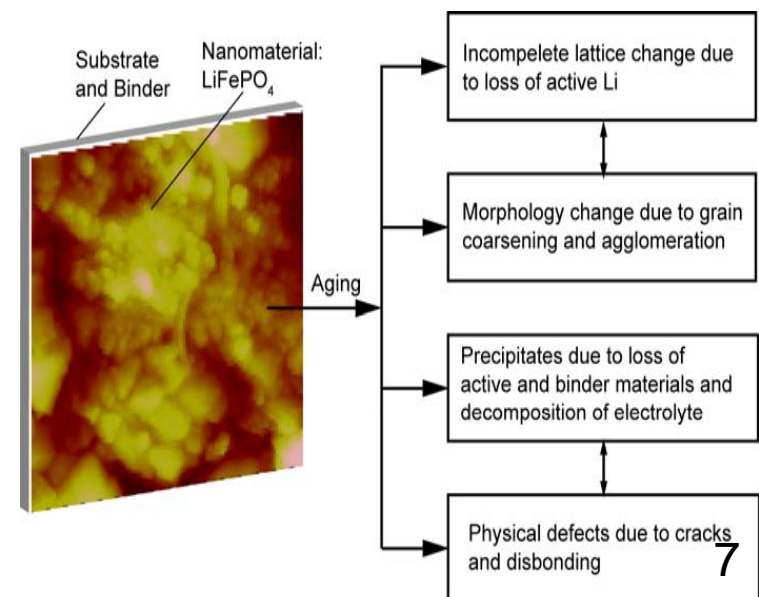


Non- or minimally intrusive electrical tests:

- ‘Conventional’ capacity, pulse/power tests at various temperatures, etc.
- Large signal battery characterization and identification
- EIS (small signal)
- *Ad-hoc* tests developed for specific applications

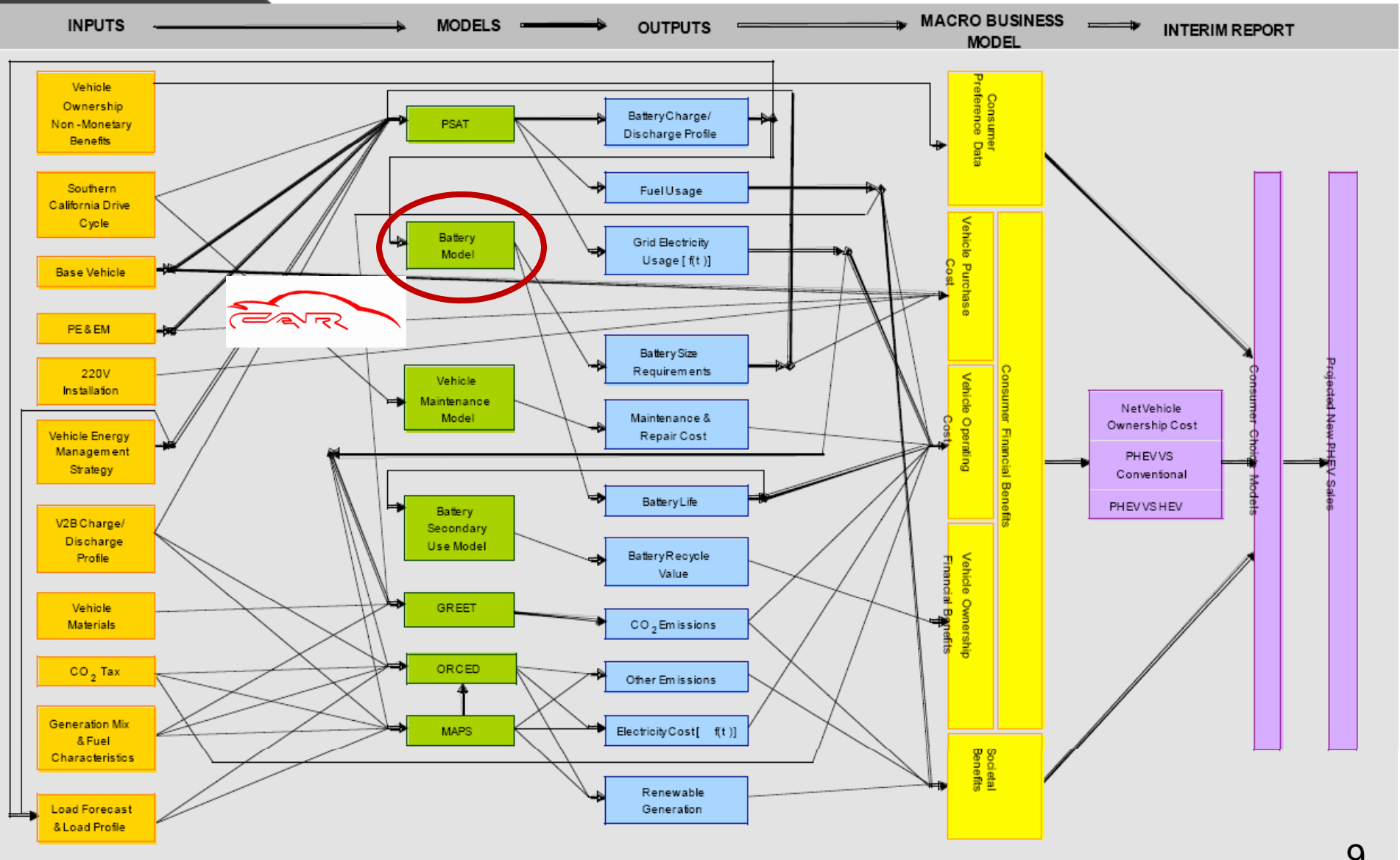
Destructive testing

Extensive material characterization on cells at various levels of aging under various conditions



- **SENTECH, Inc.**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (**ORNL**), General Electric (**GE**), Electric Power Research Institute (**EPRI**), and the **Center for Automotive Research** at Ohio State University are conducting a study of the benefits, barriers, opportunities, and challenges of grid-connected PHEVs in order to establish potential value propositions that will lead to commercially viable PHEVs.
- **Business scenarios** will be developed based on economic advantages that either increase the consumer value of PHEVs or reduce the consumer cost of PHEVs.
- The **technical and market barriers** will be identified along with the **infrastructure and technologies** needed to support value proposition.
- **Risks** associated with the scenarios will also be examined.

PHEV VPS Data Flow



- A PHEV battery model was developed for this study through a collaborative effort between OSU-CAR and General Electric Global Research.
- The model is based on the concept of accumulated charge throughput.
- The objective is to determine the "damage" on the life related to each provided driving pattern / battery load profile; as a final output, the number of cycles is converted into equivalent miles / years that the battery pack could run within a capacity loss lower than 20%.
- Different "custom" driving cycles/typical days have been identified starting from average driving statistics and standard cycles (shown before)

Thank you!