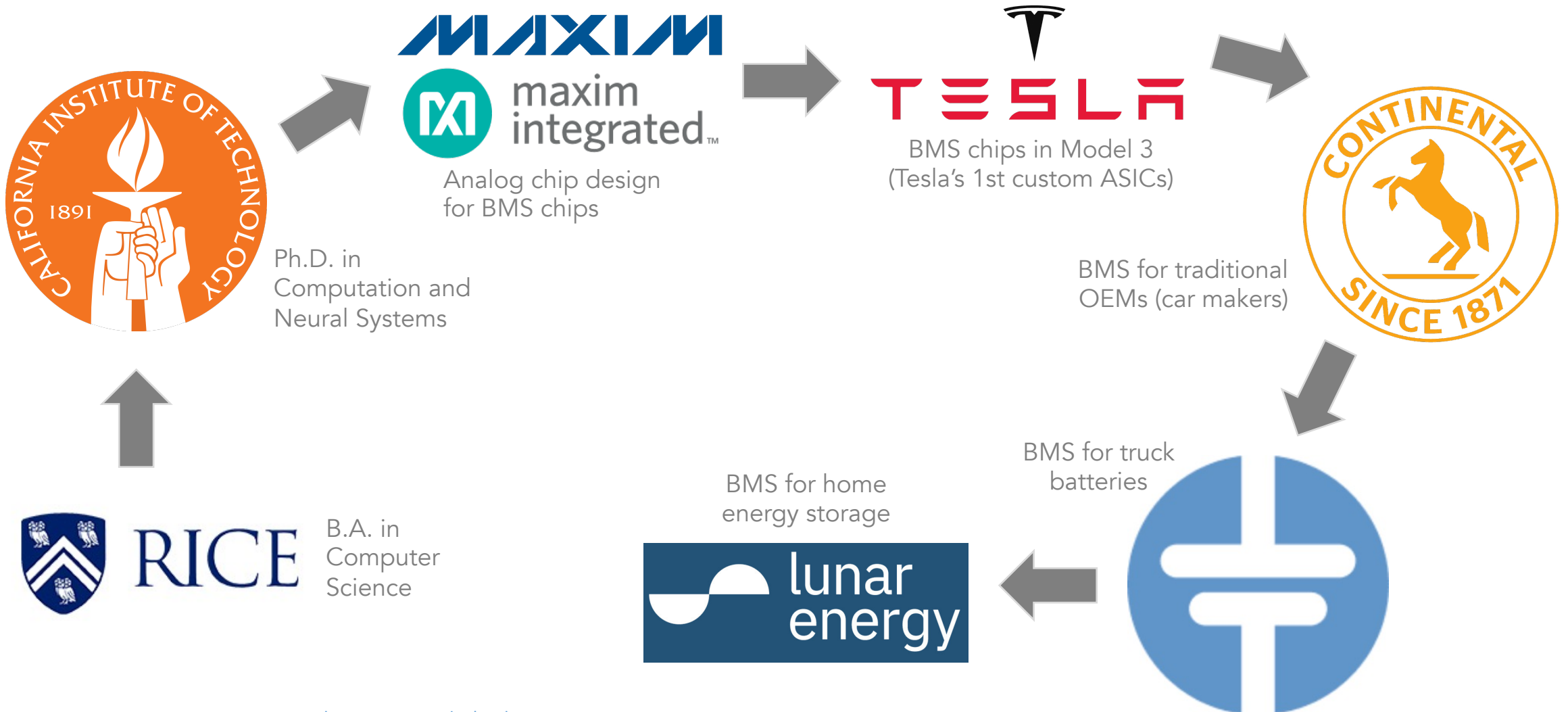


# MECH 328

# Batteries

Guest lecture by Ania Mitros, PhD  
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# Who am I?



# Goal and optimization parameters


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# Energy density vs power density

**Energy density:** How much energy is available per a given volume or mass of cells (kWh per liter, or kWh per kg)

**Power density:** How much power is available per a given volume or mass of cells (kW per liter, or kW per kg)

Example: Tesla Model 3 Long Range battery

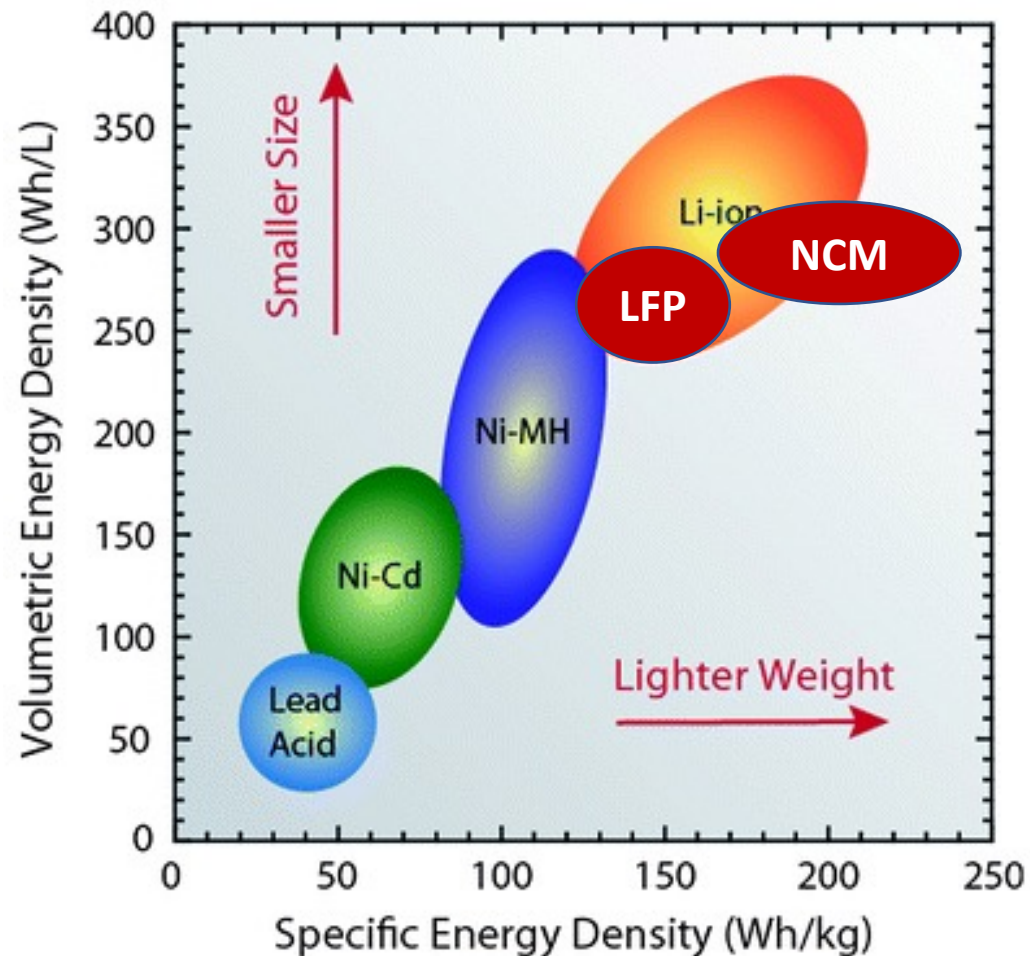
- 75kWh capacity, 480 kg → 156 **Wh/kg energy density**
- Peak power of 258 kW, 480 kg → 538 **W/kg power density**

Vehicle specs from: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla\\_Model\\_3](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla_Model_3)

# When to optimize power vs energy density?

<b>Energy density</b>	<b>Power density</b>
In applications where current draw is fairly constant and we want the energy to last for a long time	In applications where the current draw is expected to have large peaks
Long-range truck	Race car
Family car	RC helicopter

# Energy density differs by chemistry



Lithium-ion batteries include: lithium titanate, lithium cobalt, lithium manganese oxide, **nickel cobalt manganese (NCM)** and **lithium iron phosphate (LFP)**.

For energy density, the NCM battery can reach 240Wh / kg, nearly 1.7 times of LFP battery density 140Wh / kg

*What do YOU want to use for your vehicle?*

*(To optimize energy density)*

From: <https://www.epectec.com/batteries/cell-comparison.html> and <https://www.smartpropel.com/nickel-cobalt-manganese-lithium-battery-vs-lithium-iron-phosphate-battery-this-is-the-most-comprehensive-interpretation>

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# Safety through cell chemistry

Specifications	Lead Acid	Nickel Cadmium (NiCd)	Nickel Metal Hydride (NiMH)	Li-ion				
				Cobalt Oxide (LCO)	Manganese Oxide (LMO)	Nickel Manganese Cobalt Oxide (NMC)	Nickel Cobalt Aluminum (NCA)	Iron Phosphate (LFP)
Safety Requirements	Thermally stable	Thermally stable, fuse protection common		Can go into thermal runaway				Vary
Toxicity	Very High	Very High	Low	Low				

Modified from table at: <https://www.epectec.com/batteries/cell-comparison.html>

*What do YOU want to use for your vehicle?*

*(To avoid thermal runaway...  
...and optimize energy density)*

Causes of thermal runaway:

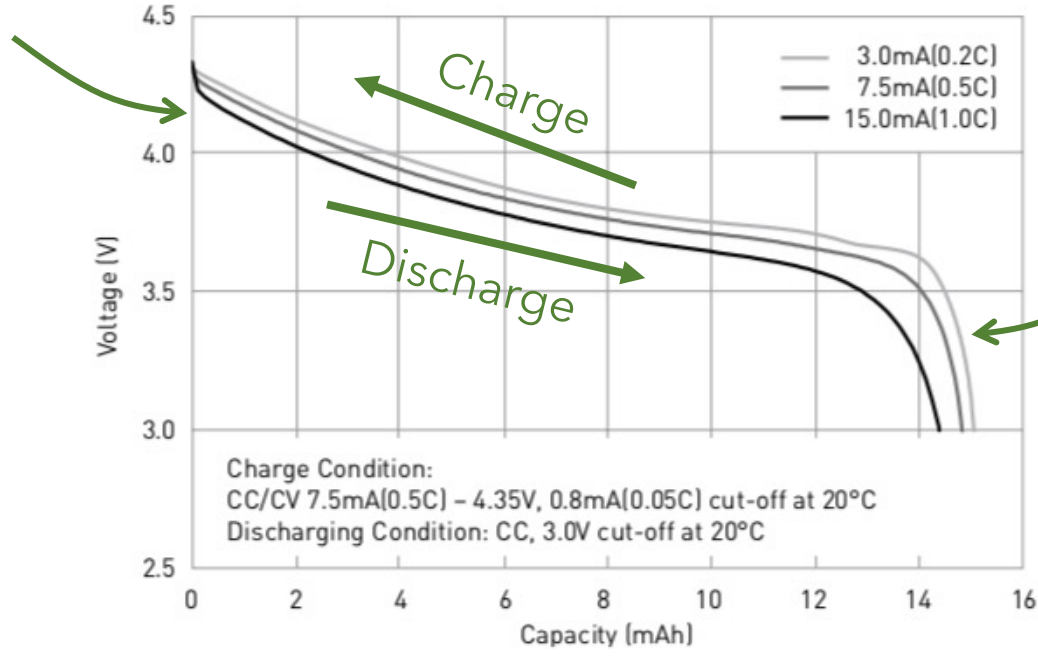
- Over-heating
- Over-current → Over-heating
  - internal short (cell anode to cathode)
  - external short (battery pack terminals)
- Over-charge → Damage → Local short → Over-heating

Some are thermally stable

# Battery Management Systems

*BMS is my job!*

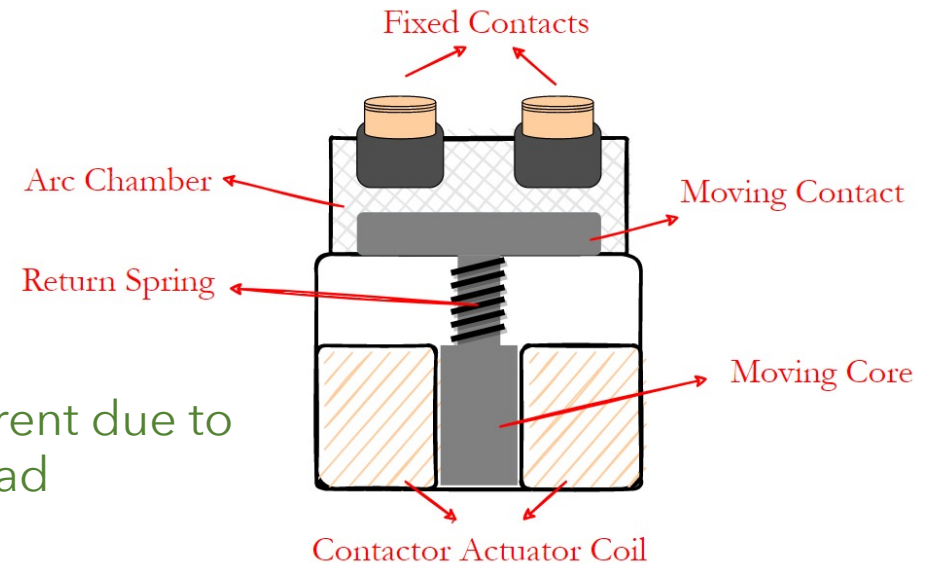
Prevent over-charge



Prevent over-discharge (and consequent damage)

Monitor temperature, and reduce operating power or activate heating/cooling system as needed

Prevent over-current due to external short/load (open contactor)



But...

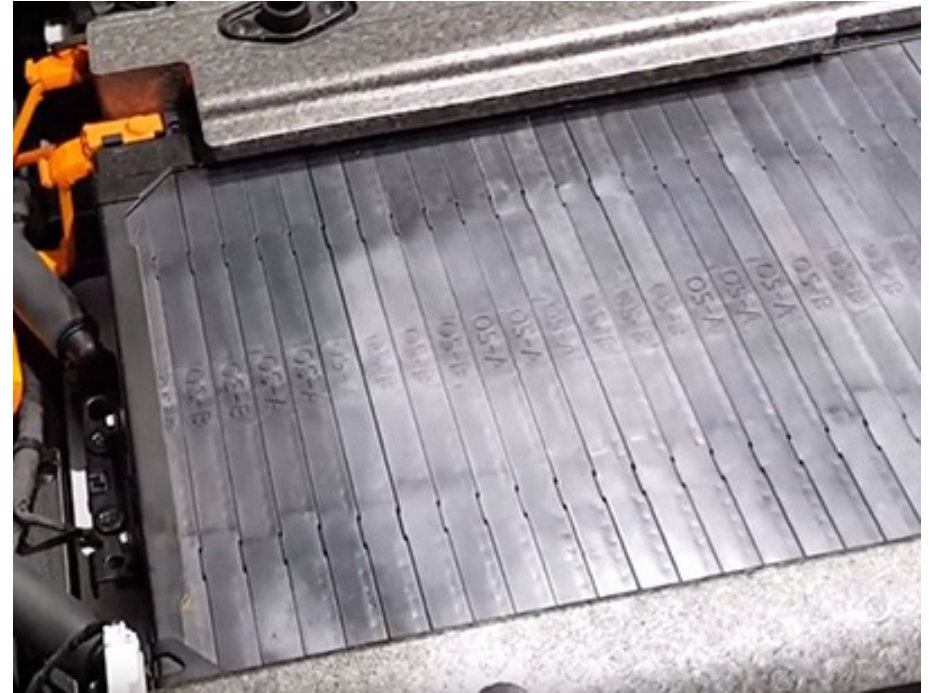
What about internal shorts?

*(Thank goodness for mechanical engineers)*

# Battery construction with pouch or prismatic cells

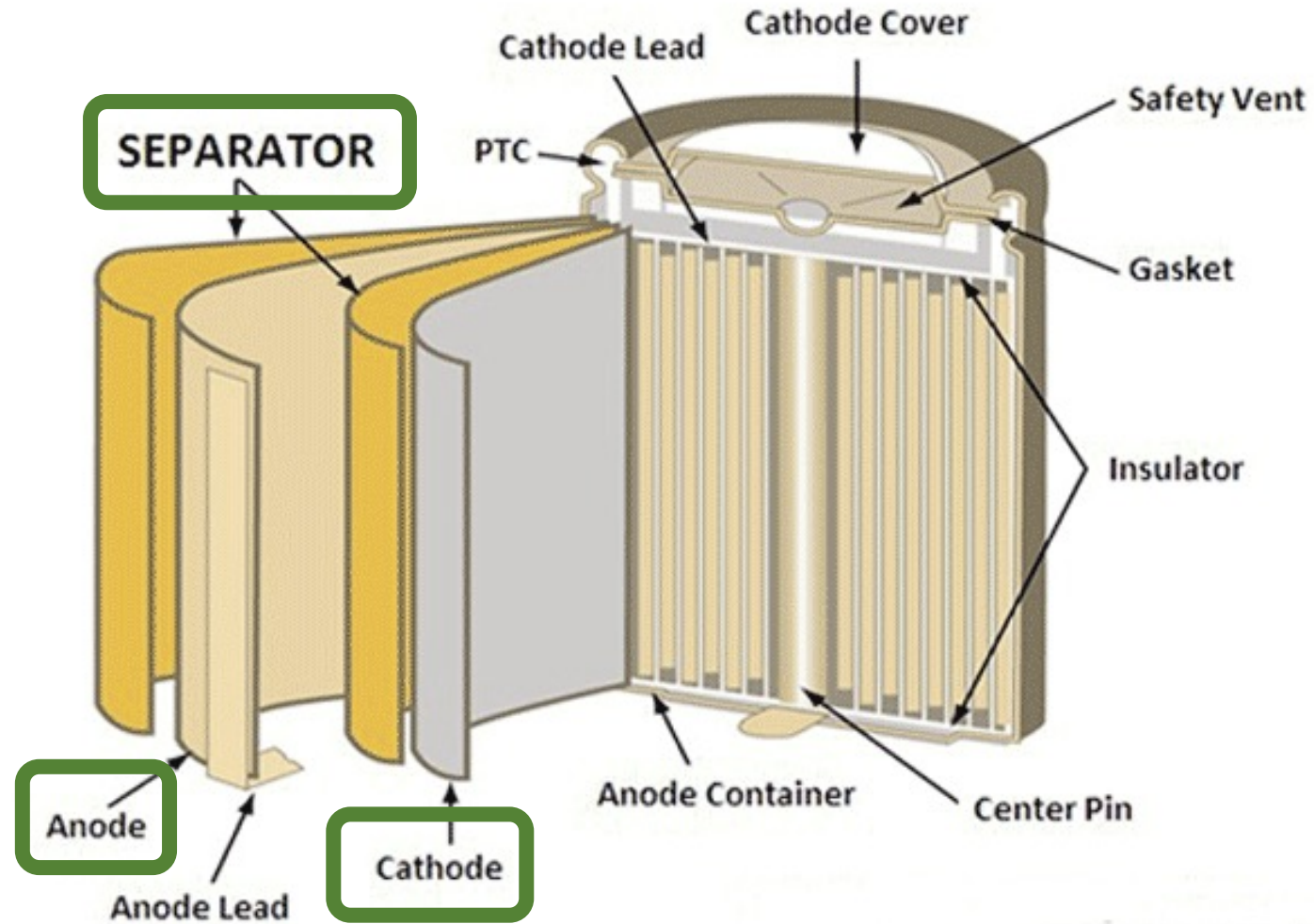


Chevy Bolt



Hyundai Kona

# Cell construction



<https://components101.com/articles/battery-seperators-types-and-importance>



# Order of magnitude: Area of separator in one car

- "In a 2170 Tesla cell, there's about one meter's length of jellyroll..."
  - <https://www.popularmechanics.com/science/energy/a34114885/elon-musk-tesla-battery-day-recap>
- A 2170 cell is 21 mm by 70 mm
- Separator area in one cell is  $2 \times 1\text{m} \times 70\text{mm} = \mathbf{0.14\text{m}^2}$
- Long Range Model 3 has 4416 cells
  - <https://www.evspeedy.com/how-many-batteries-teslas/>
- → Separator area in one car is  $0.14\text{m}^2 \times 4416 = \mathbf{618\text{m}^2}$
- Olympic-size swimming pool are  $50\text{m} \times 25\text{m} = 1250\text{m}^2$ 
  - [google.com](https://www.google.com)
- → **Separator area in one Long Range Model 3 is similar to half an Olympic-size swimming pool**
- Tesla sold 936,222 cars in 2021
  - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla,\\_Inc.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla,_Inc.)

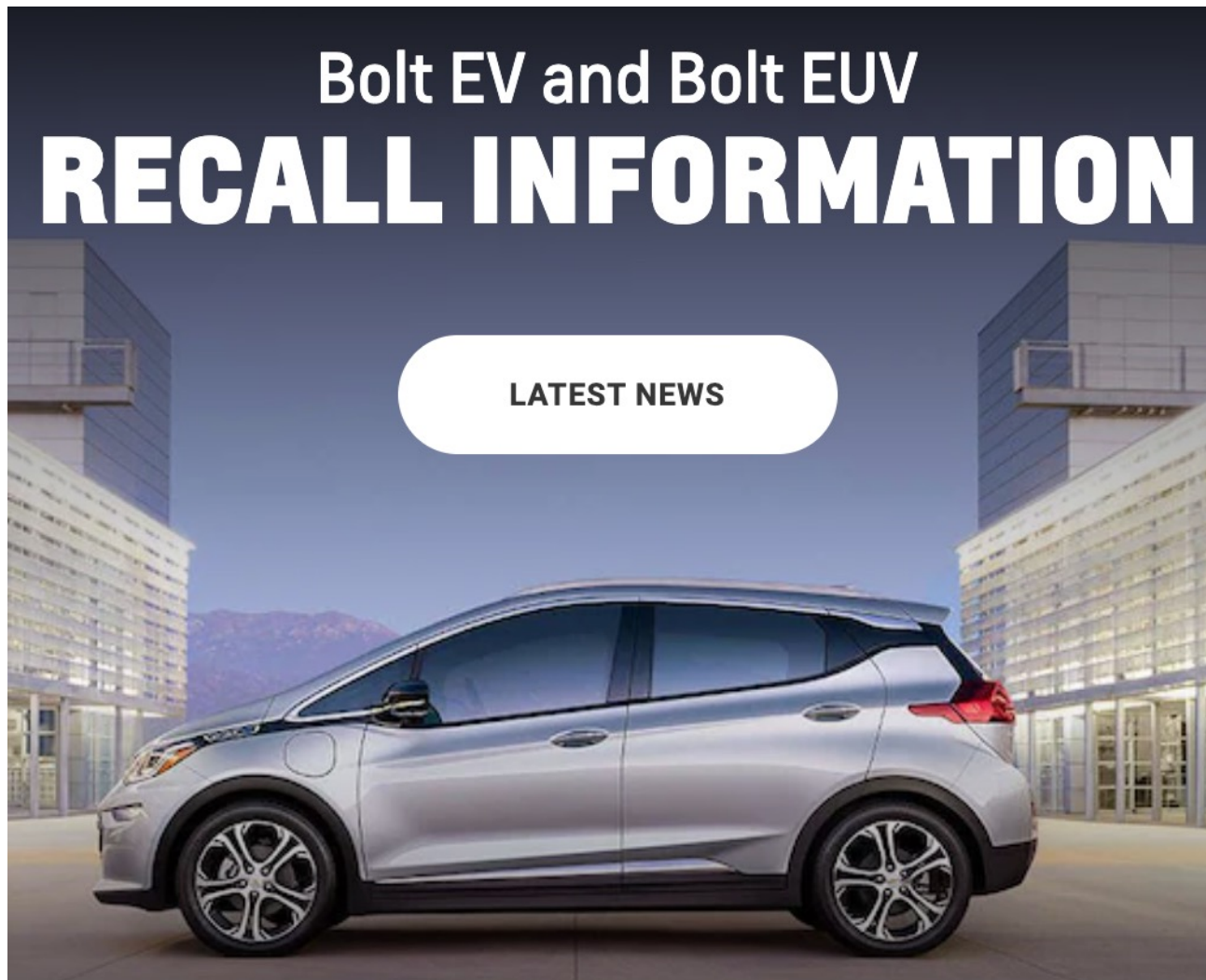


Should we expect the area of 500,000 swimming pools to be perfect?

Chevy: Yes

Tesla: No

# Chevy Bolt recall

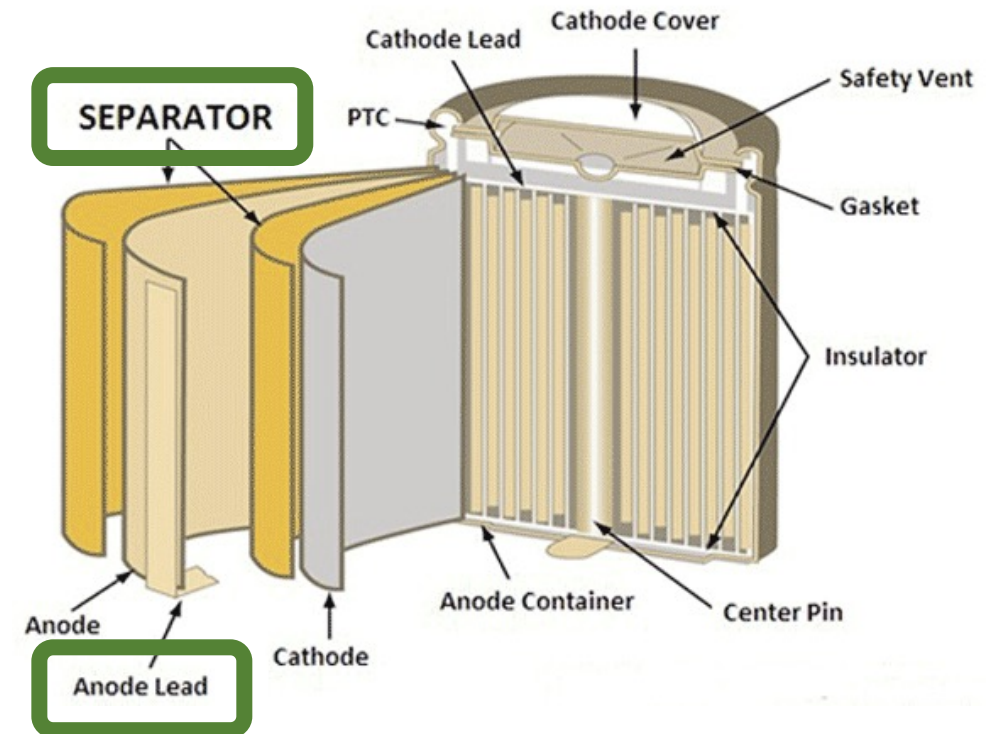


<https://www.chevrolet.com/electric/bolt-recall>

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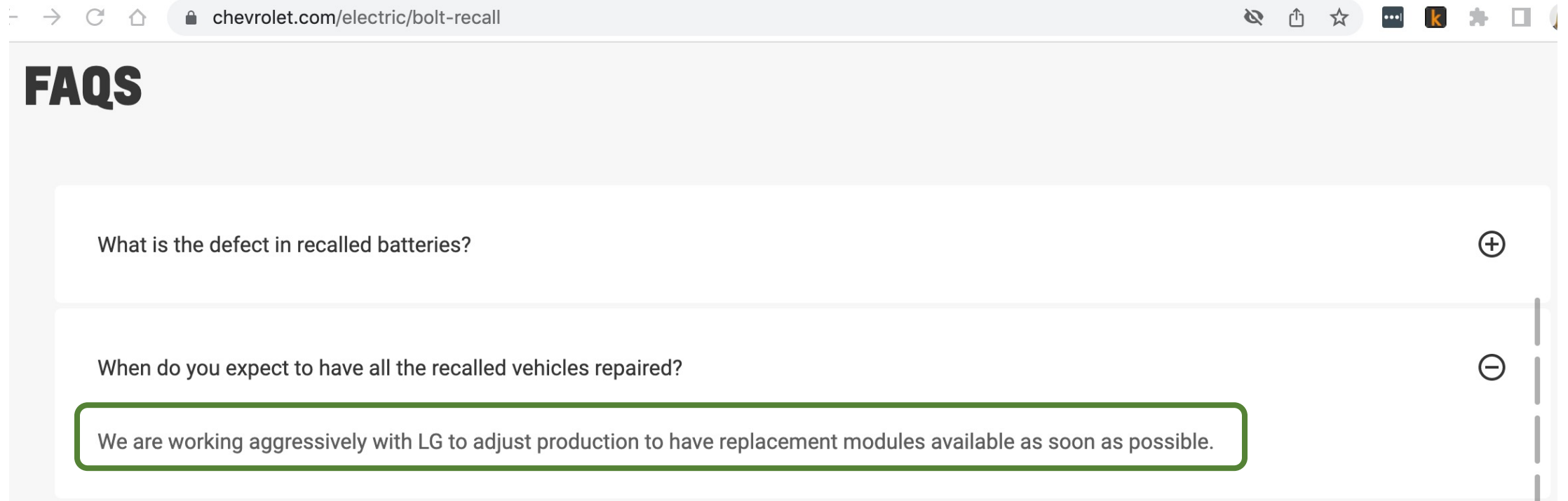
The simultaneous presence of two rare manufacturing defects (a torn anode tab and folded separator) in the same battery cell are the root cause of battery fires in certain Chevrolet Bolt EVs.

<https://www.chevrolet.com/electric/bolt-recall>



# Chevy's solution to the Chevy Bolt recall

Chevy: Ask LG to manufacture more perfect cells



→ ↻ ↺ 🔒 chevrolet.com/electric/bolt-recall

## FAQS

What is the defect in recalled batteries? ⊕

When do you expect to have all the recalled vehicles repaired? ⊖

We are working aggressively with LG to adjust production to have replacement modules available as soon as possible.



# Tesla: Safety through mechanical construction



Patent: [US20100075221A1](#)

Assignee: Tesla Inc

A means for inhibiting the propagation of thermal runaway within a plurality of batteries is provided, wherein the means is comprised of at least one layer of intumescent material interposed between the interior surface of the casing of a battery and the corresponding electrode assembly.

[https://www.greencarreports.com/news/1128060\\_tesla-s-battery-approach-vs-others-teardown-video-breaks-it-down](https://www.greencarreports.com/news/1128060_tesla-s-battery-approach-vs-others-teardown-video-breaks-it-down)

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Individually fused cells embedded in a fire-retardant medium

<https://lionsmart.com/en/lion-light-battery-en/>

# Summary of Design for Safety

What do YOU want to use for your vehicle?

(To avoid thermal runaway...  
...and optimize energy density)



Li-ion		
Nickel Manganese Cobalt Oxide (NMC)	Nickel Cobalt (NCA)	Iron Phosphate (LFP)
Can go into thermal runaway		Can be thermally stable

## Safety through excellence in cell manufacturing

- **Chevy Bolt**
- Volkswagen E-Golf
- BMW i3
- Hyundai Kona, IONIQ
- Nissan Leaf
- Jaguar iPace
- Audi e-tron Quattro
- Porsche Taycan
- ...and many large OEMs



## Safety through mechanical construction

Limit propagation of exothermic events

- **Tesla**
- **LionSmart**

## Safety through thermally-stable chemistry

- **Tesla**: Switched to LFP for standard range vehicles ([Oct 2021](#))
- **Ford**: Switching to LFP for 2023 Mach-E and 2024 F-150 Lightning ([July 2022](#))
- **Hyundai**: Started developing for LFP in 2021 ([July 2021](#))
- **MG ZS EV**: Switched to LFP ([Sept 2022](#))
- ...

<https://pushevs.com/2020/04/04/comparison-of-different-ev-batteries-in-2020/>

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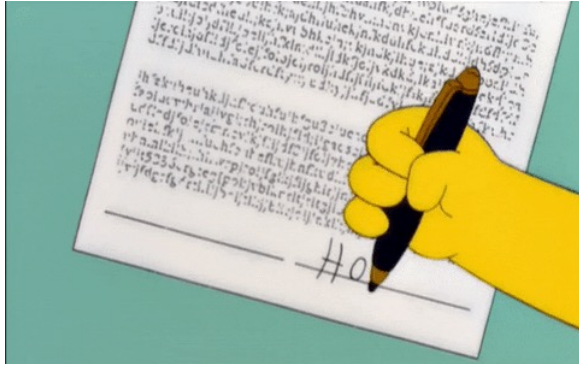
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# Lifetime: A disclaimer

Best data is proprietary! ☹️





# Lifetime: Rules of thumb

Differs between chemistries

- **LFP vs NCM**: LFP has higher cycle life than NCM/NCA.

Affected by usage profile:

- **Hot temperatures** cause faster degradation
- **Voltage**: Storage near 100% causes faster degradation. (More for NCM than LFP)
- **High currents** cause faster degradation

# Lifetime: Cycle life differs across chemistries

**Cycle life:** How many times a battery can be recharged.

Specifications	Lead Acid	Nickel Cadmium (NiCd)	Nickel Metal Hydride (NiMH)	Li-ion		
				Cobalt Oxide (LMO)	Manganese Oxide (LMO)	Iron Phosphate (LFP)
<b>Life Cycle</b> (80% discharge)	200-300	1000	300-500	500-1,000	500-1,000	1,000-2,000

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Specifications		Li-ion		
		Nickel Manganese Cobalt (NCM)	Nickel Cobalt (NCA)	Iron Phosphate (LFP)
<b>Life Cycle</b> (to 80% capacity)		1,000	1,000	2,500

From: <https://zecar.com/post/what-are-lfp-nmc-nca-batteries-in-electric-cars>

# Lifetime: Cycle life differs across chemistries

**NMC** has shorter cycle life than **LFP**

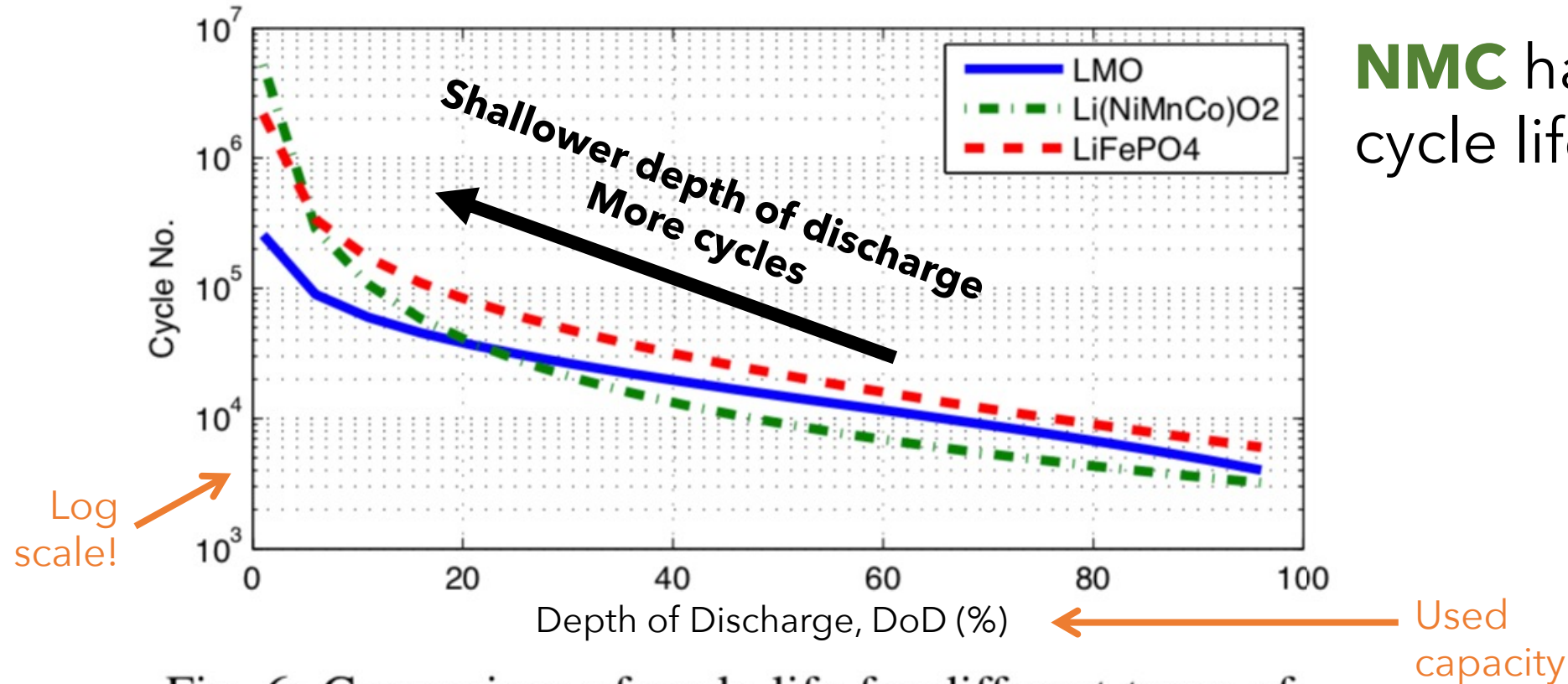


Fig. 6: Comparison of cycle life for different types of lithium-ion batteries adjusted to reference conditions.

# Capacity loss: Time, SoC, Temperature, Chemistry

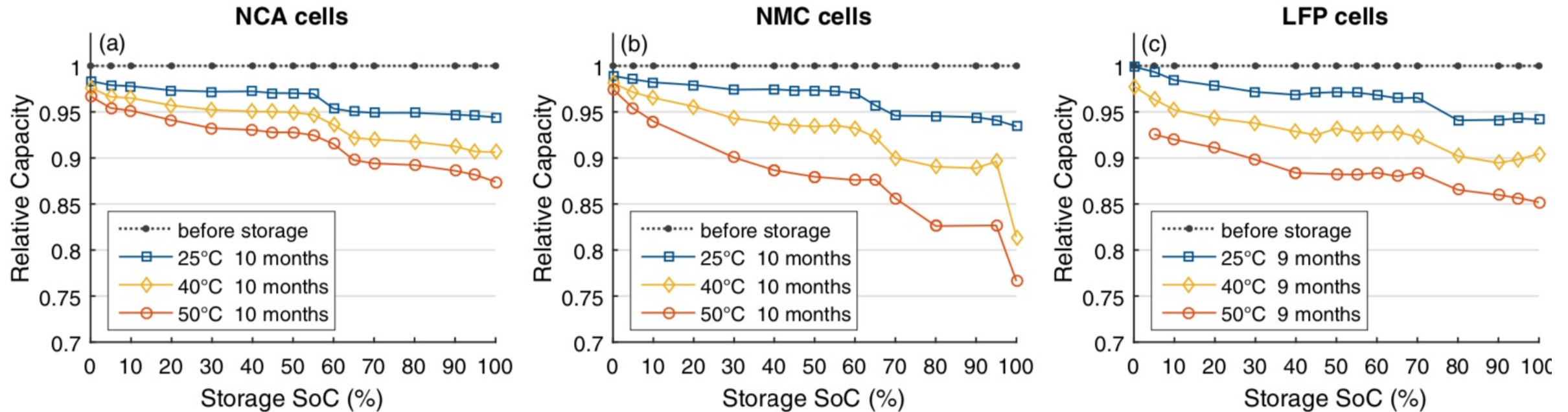


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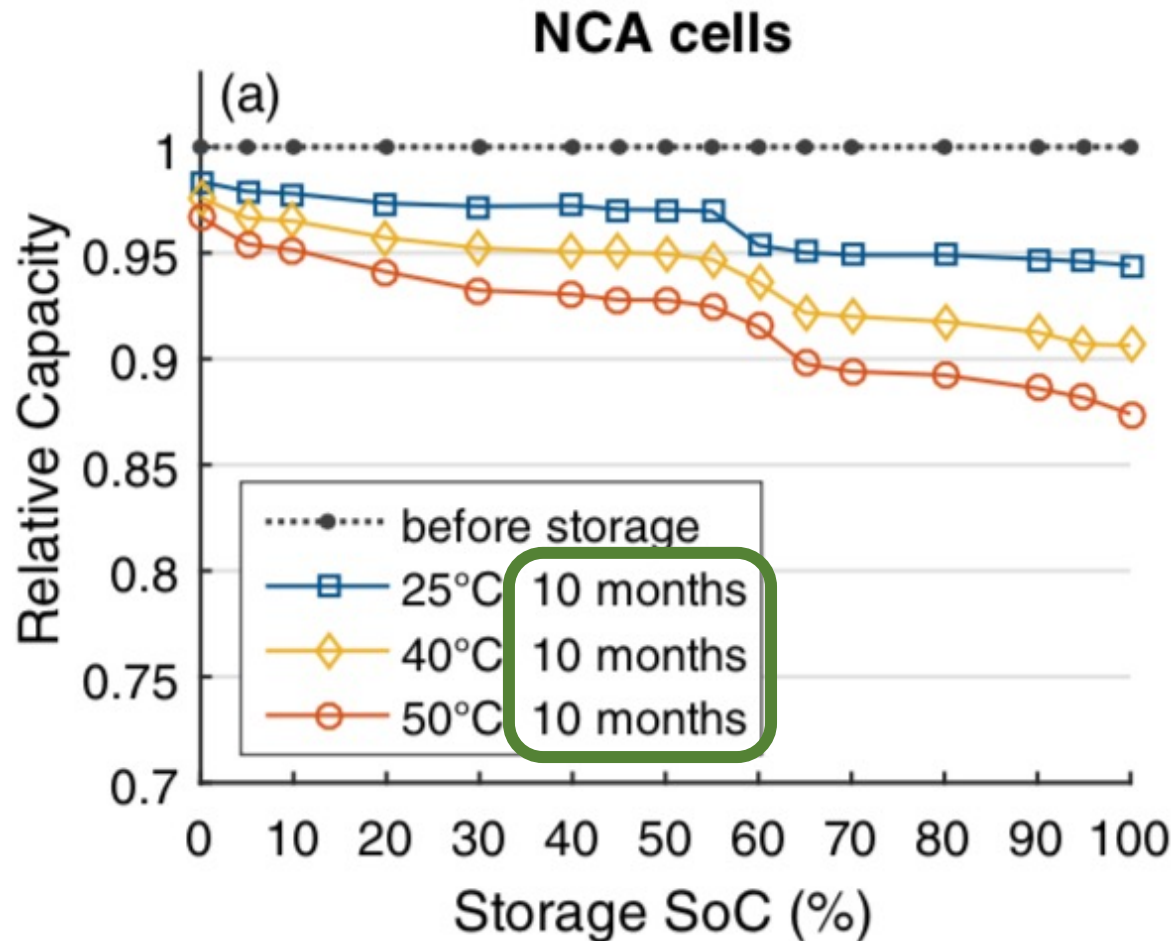


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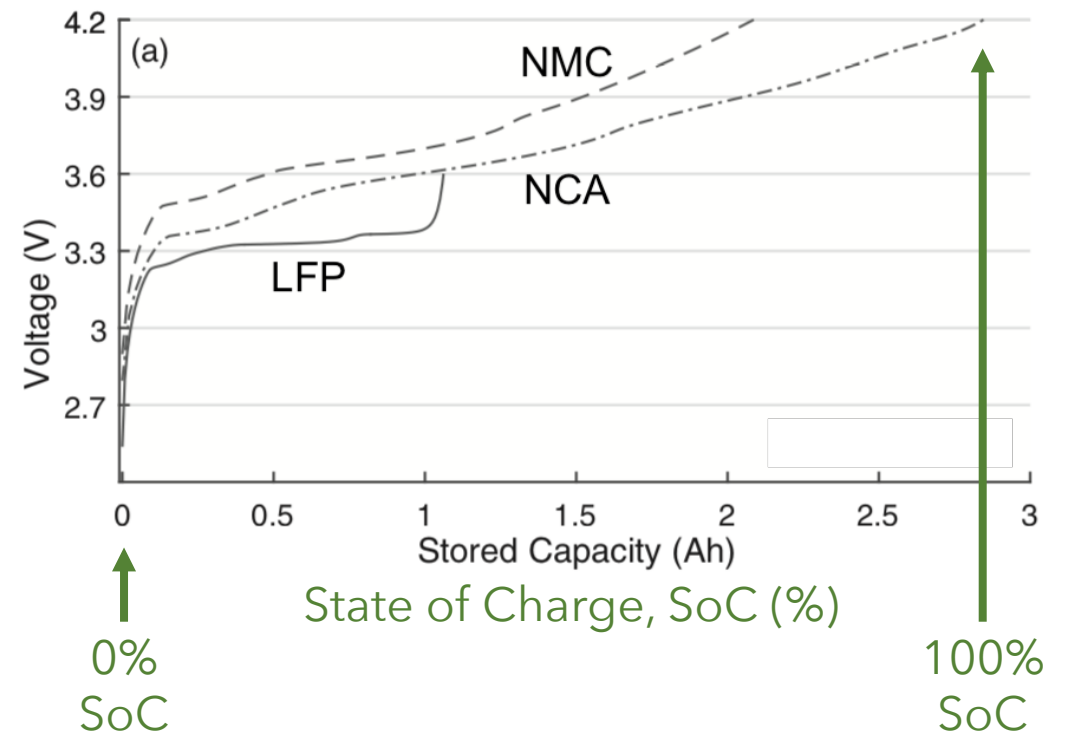
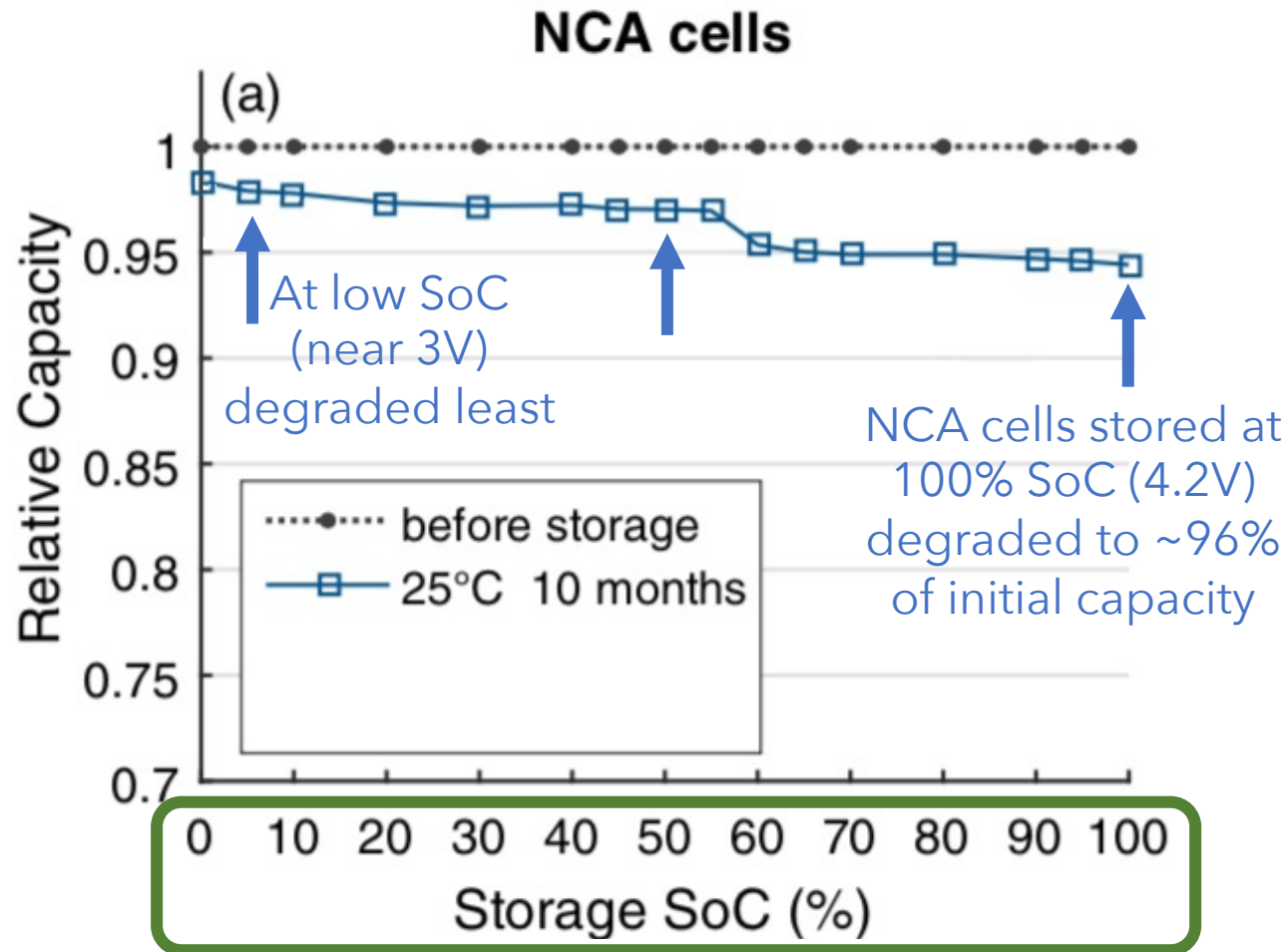
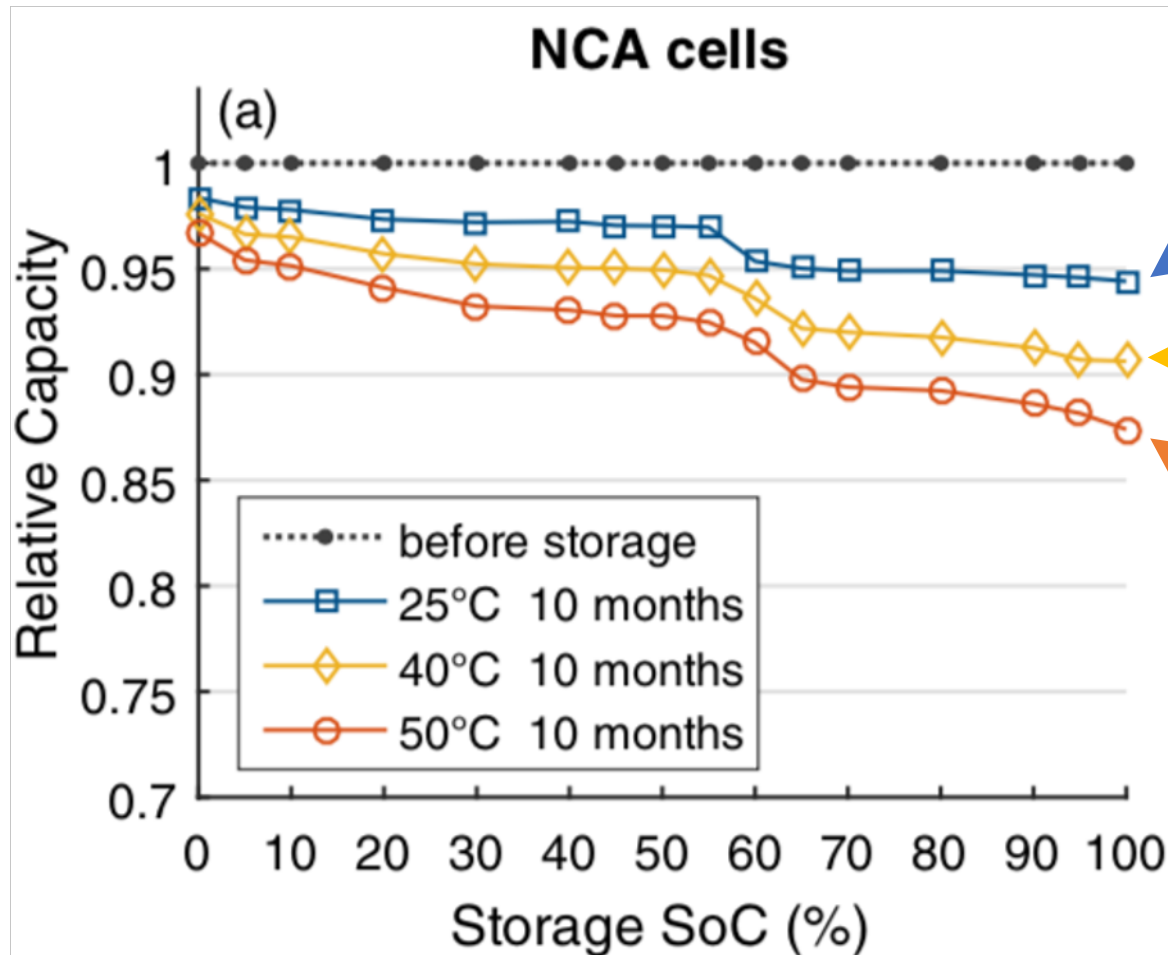


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# Capacity loss: Time, SoC, **Temperature**, Chemistry



At 25°C, cells degraded to ~96% of initial capacity

At 40°C, cells degraded to ~91% of initial capacity

At 50°C, cells degraded to ~87% of initial capacity

Aging accelerates with temperature.

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# Capacity loss: Case study (Nissan Leaf in Arizona)

## 2011-2012 Nissan Leaf

- Reports of 1 of 12 bars (8.3%) capacity loss in 1<sup>st</sup> year
- Nissan initially claimed a dashboard instrumentation problem
- Leaf owners performed a controlled range test in Phoenix, confirming range loss.



**What did Nissan's mechanical engineers do differently than other car makers?**

**Leaf: Air-cooled battery**

<https://www.technologyreview.com/2012/09/19/85161/are-air-cooled-batteries-hurting-nissan-leaf-range/>

# Capacity loss: Time, SoC, Temperature, **Chemistry**

At 25C, all age similarly

NMC is most sensitive to high temperature

NMC is most sensitive to high SoC

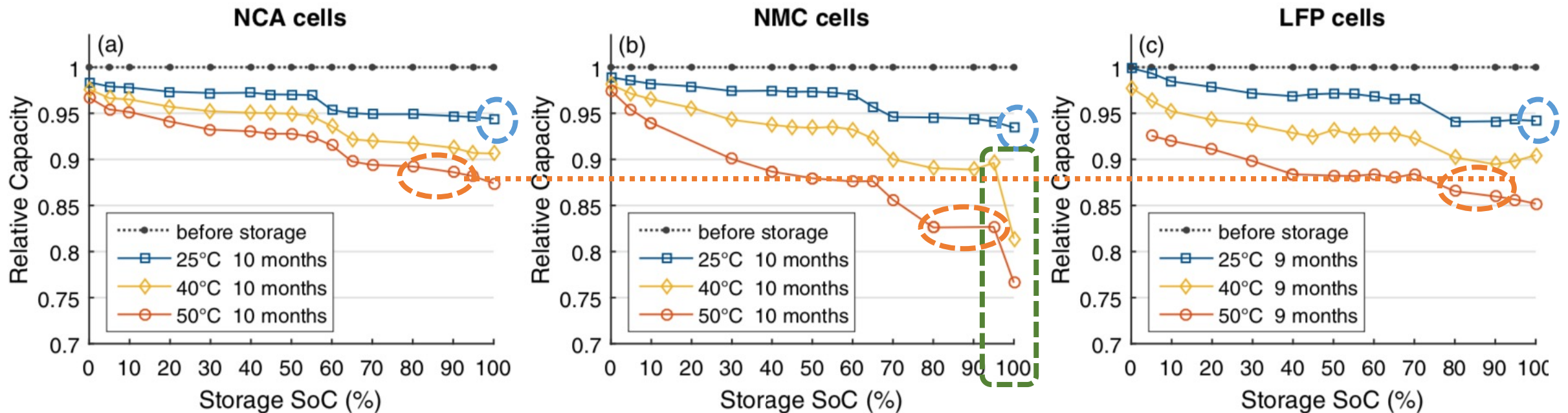


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# Lifetime: Summary

Engineering options include:

- Cell selection
- Avoid charging to 100%
- Implement a good cooling system

Side note: Omission of impedance (or resistance).

- Cell impedance also increases with aging
- High cell impedance reduces available peak power

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# “C” or “C rate”

**C**: a measure of a cell's current relative to its total capacity.

- A 1C current will discharge the battery in 1 hour.
- For a battery with a capacity of 100 Ah (Amp hours), 1C means a discharge current of 100 A.

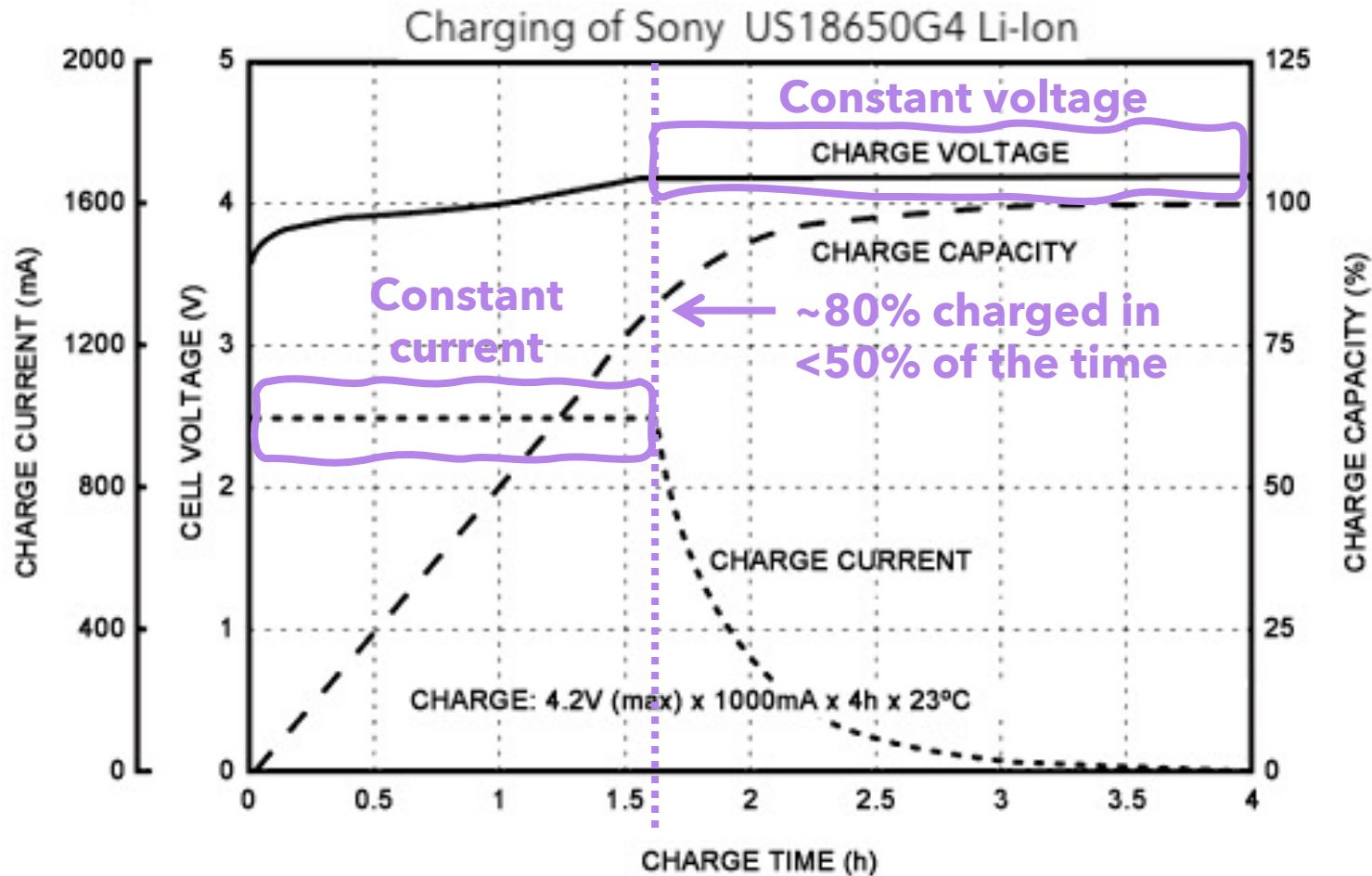


# Charge rate: Key concepts

- Charge profile: CC/CV
- Temperature dependence
- Fast charging

# CC-CV charge profile

Constant-current constant-voltage charging prevents overcharge

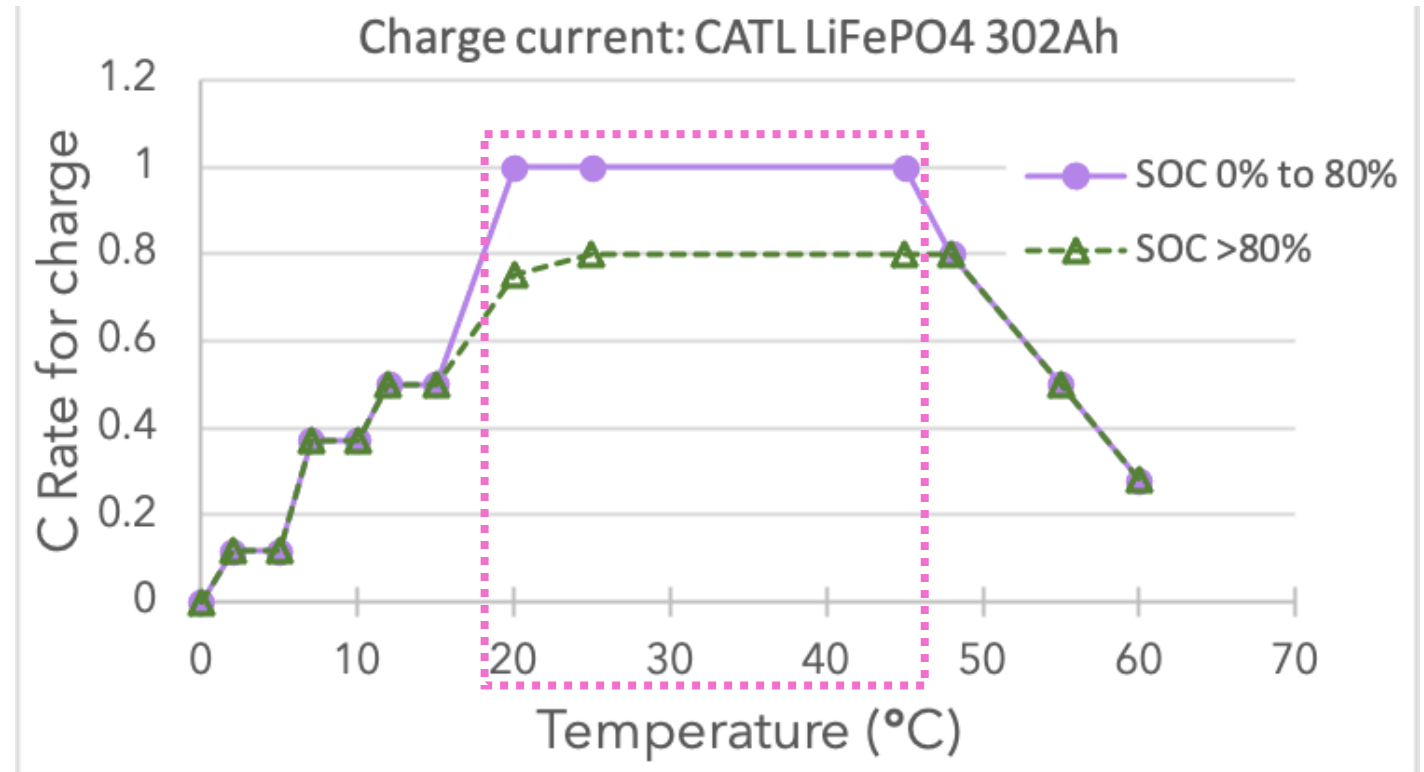


Slower near top of charge

# Temperature dependence of charge rate

2.2.7 其他充电条件(模式) C-Rate Other charge Condition (C-Rate)

电芯温度/°C Cell temperature		0	2	5	7	10	12	15	20	25	45	48	55	60
SOC 0%~<80%		0	0.116	0.116	0.372	0.372	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.279
SOC >80%		0	0.116	0.116	0.372	0.372	0.5	0.5	0.75	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.279



# Temperature dependence of discharge rate

参数 Parameter	产品规格 Specification
工作温度(充电) Operating temperature (charging)	0~65°C
工作温度(放电) Operating temperature (discharge)	-35~65°C

CATL      LFP

<https://batteryfinds.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/CATL-302Ah-LiFePO4LFP-Battery-Cell-Product-Specification.pdf>

Item	Specification
Operating Temperature	Charge: 0°C~55°C Discharge: -30°C~55°C
Storage Temperature	-30°C~60°C

Lithium Storage      LFP

<https://www.lithiumstoragebattery.com/product-lfp71173204e-280ah-lithium-ion-battery.html>

Items		Parameter
Operating Temperature	Charging Temperature	-5~55°C
	Discharging Temperature	-30~55°C

CALB      NMC

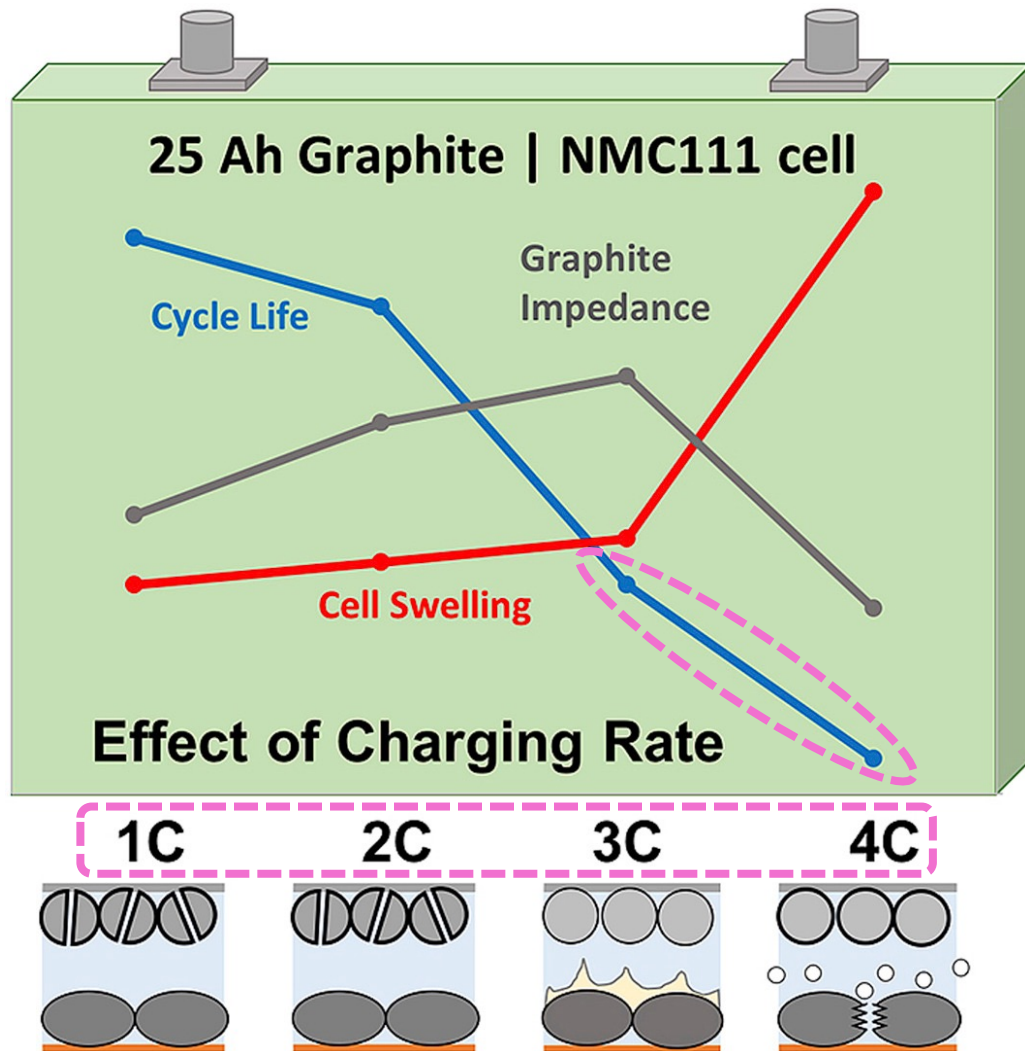
<https://www.evlithium.com/nmc-battery/calb-50ah-lithium-nmc-battery.html>

Item		Parameter Specification
Battery Module		Lithium ion NCM Battery
Operation Thermal Ambient	Charging	0°C ~ 65°C
	Discharging	-20°C ~ 55°C

Samsung      NMC

<https://www.evlithium.com/nmc-battery/samsung-sdi94-94ah-nmc-battery.html>

# Fast charging and capacity loss



Cycle life decreases with increasing current.

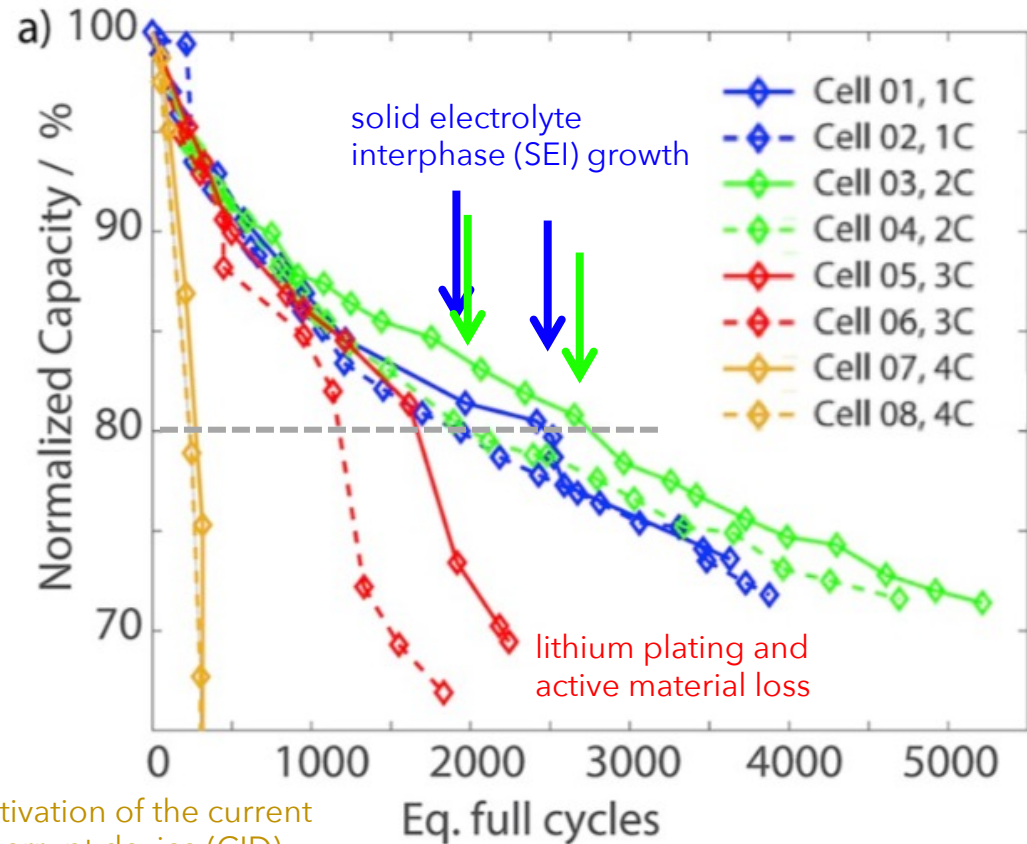
- Engineering trade-off!

Details:

- NMC cells targeted at PHEVs (Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicles)
- Cycling between 20% and 80% SoC.
- 1C discharge.
- No rest between charge/discharge.

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0378775319302265> [Mussa 2019]

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Introduction to this paper has a really nice, readable discussion of electric cars vs buses.

Side note: Similar concern for discharge current.

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# Higher C-rate cells

Category		Power Cell	Energy Cell			
Model		P41	E65D	E61V	E78	
Image						
Performance	Capacity (Min, 25°C, 0.3C) Ah	40.8	64.5	60.0	78.0	
	Energy Density (Min)	Wh/L	486	444	532	602
		Wh/kg	226	234	253	265
	Max Charge Current (A)	Pulse Charge * (10sec, SoC 50%, 25°C, BOL)	380	300	200	184
	Max Discharge Current (A)	Continuous Discharge (25°C, BOL)	204	130	180	234
		Pulse Discharge * (10sec, SoC 50%, 25°C, BOL)	380	400	400	496
		$(204 \text{ A}) / (40.8 \text{ Ah})$ <b>= 5C</b>	$(130 \text{ A}) / (64.5 \text{ Ah})$ <b>= 2C</b>	$(180 \text{ A}) / (60 \text{ Ah})$ <b>= 3C</b>	$(234 \text{ A}) / (78 \text{ Ah})$ <b>= 3C</b>	

From p.4 in [https://www.lgensol.com/assets/file/LGES\\_Automotive\\_CommercialEV\\_Leaflet\\_2022.pdf](https://www.lgensol.com/assets/file/LGES_Automotive_CommercialEV_Leaflet_2022.pdf)

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# Fast charging

- Easier with cells optimized for power
- May reduce lifetime
- Thermally limited
- Requires infrastructure.
  - Typical **home outlet** provides  $120\text{V} \times 15\text{ A} = 1.8\text{kW}$ 
    - For 70kWh battery:  $70\text{kWh}/1.8\text{kW} = 39\text{ hours}$
  - **Dryer outlet**:  $240\text{V} \times 30\text{ A} = 7.2\text{kW}$ 
    - For 70kWh battery:  $70\text{kWh}/7.2\text{kW} = 9.7\text{ hours}$
  - **Fast charge**: You do the math.
- Rule of thumb to avoid charging  $>1\text{C}$ : Not enough to fast-charge, and many Li-Ion chemistries can withstand more.

Cooling mitigated aging impact of high currents. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.est.2020.101310> [Barcellona 2020]



# Charge rate: Summary

- **CC-CV charge profile** prevents over-charge
- **Temperature** affects charge rate. May need:
  - Heating system, cooling system, power reduction at temperature extremes
- **Fast charging** requires care
- **Optimizing:** Different applications benefit from different cells and different management.



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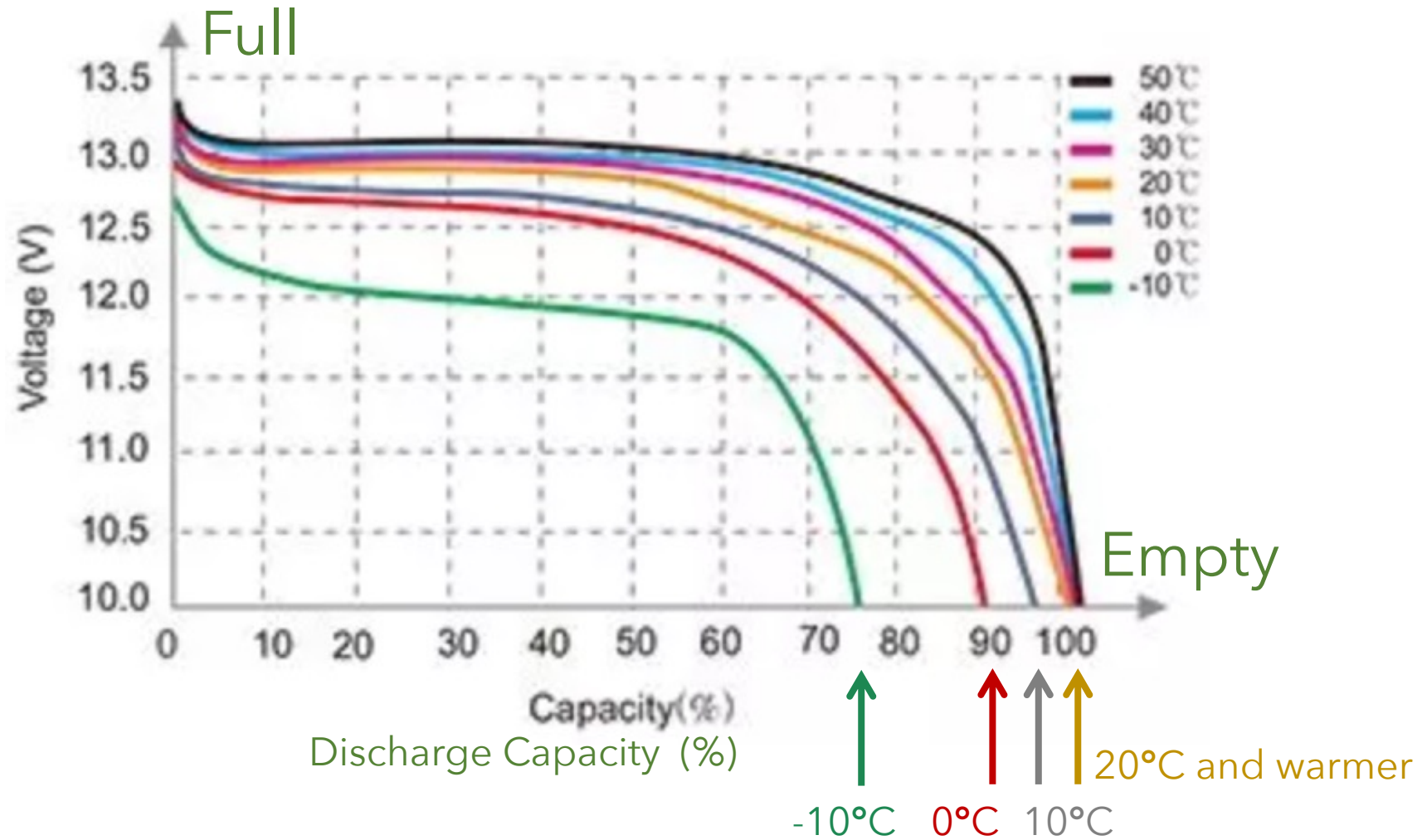
# Temperature range

- Capacity vs temperature
- Review previous learnings:
  - Lifetime vs temperature
  - Charge current vs temperature

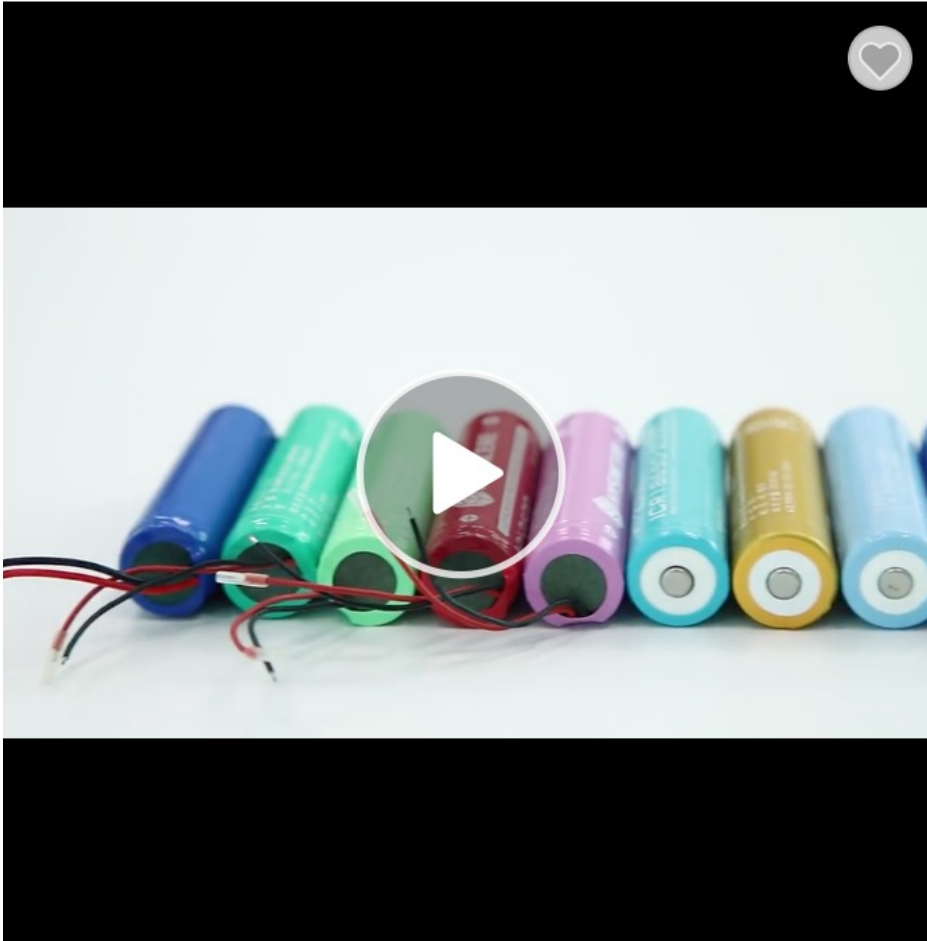
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<b>Charge Temperature</b>	-20 to 50°C -4 to 122°F	0 to 45°C 32 to 113°F			0 to 45°C 32 to 113°F	
<b>Discharge Temperature</b>	-20 to 50°C -4 to 122°F	-20 to 65°C -4 to 149°F			-20 to 60°C -4 to 140°F	

Excerpted from a more detailed table at: <https://www.epectec.com/batteries/cell-comparison.html>

# Temperature dependence of capacity



# Side note: What's sketchy about these curves?



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**Super** Customized KC Nmc Accu LED Lights Flashlight Li ion Battery 18650 Cell Pack 3.6V 3.7V Rechargeable 18650 Lithium Battery Popular

6 buyers

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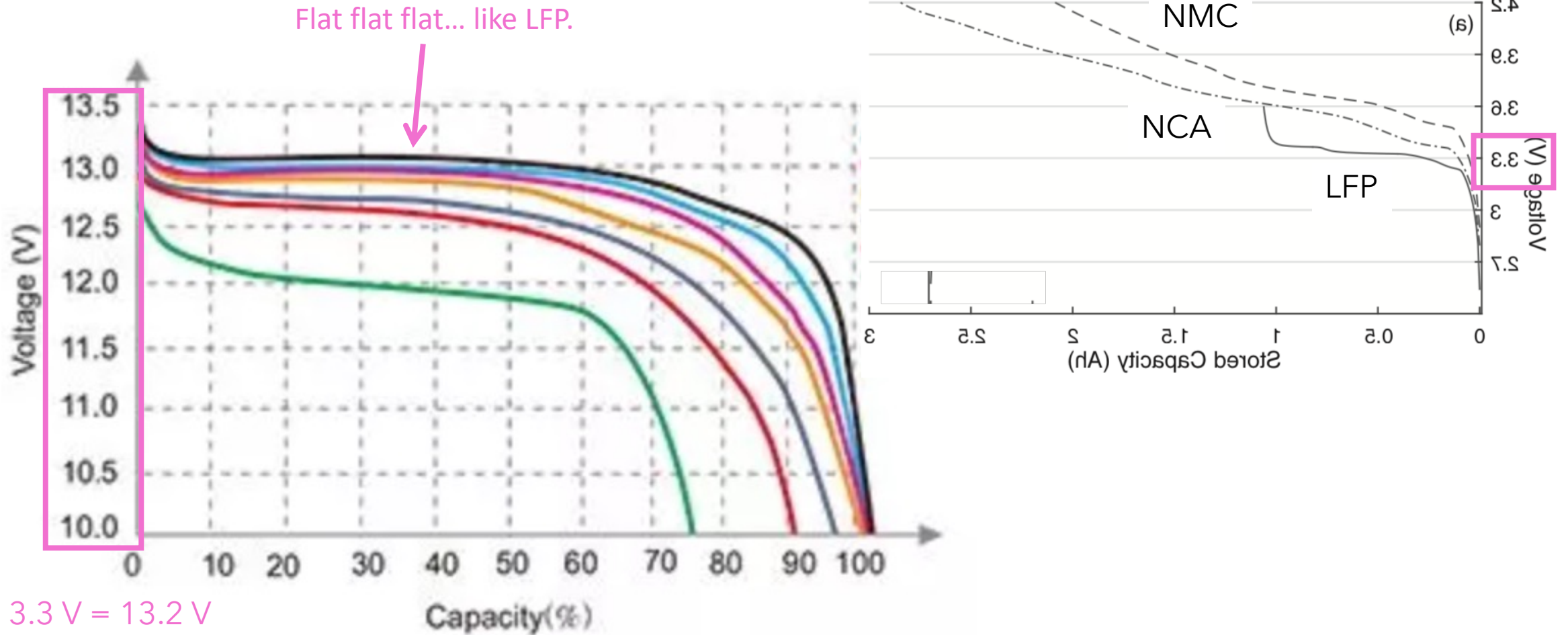
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Battery Type: cylindrical

Nominal Capacity: 1200~3500mAh

Nominal Voltage: 3.7V 3.7V is typical for NMC cells

# Side note: What's sketchy about these curves?



$$4 \times 3.3 \text{ V} = 13.2 \text{ V}$$

4s  $\rightarrow$  4 cells in series

[https://www.alibaba.com/product-detail/Customized-KC-Nmc-Accu-LED-Lights\\_1600125028451.html](https://www.alibaba.com/product-detail/Customized-KC-Nmc-Accu-LED-Lights_1600125028451.html)

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# Temperature dependence of capacity

## Samsung NMC cell

7.6 Temperature dependence of discharge capacity  
Capacity comparison at each temperature, measured with discharge constant current 10A and 2.5V cut-off after the standard charge is as follows.

Discharge temperature				
-20 °C	-10 °C	0 °C	25 °C	60 °C
60%	75%	80%	100%	100%

### Samsung INR18650-20R

<https://docs.rs-online.com/84c8/0900766b812fdd47.pdf>

## LG LFP cell

4.3.4 Temperature Dependency of Capacity	Cells shall be charged per 4.1.1 at 23°C ± 2°C and discharged per 4.1.2 at the following temperatures.		
	Charge	Discharge	Capacity
	25 °C	-10 °C 0 °C 25 °C 60 °C	60% (of C <sub>nom</sub> in 2.1) 80% (of C <sub>nom</sub> in 2.1) 100% (of C <sub>nom</sub> in 2.1) 95% (of C <sub>nom</sub> in 2.1)

### LG 18650 HG2 3000mAh

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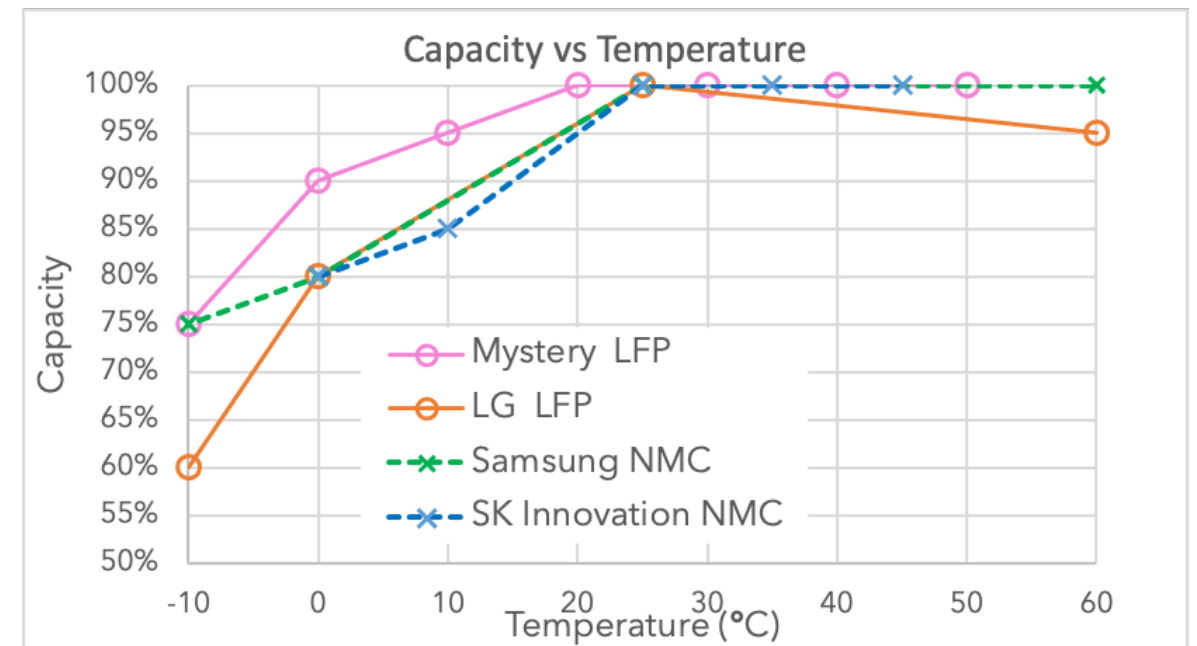
## SK Innovation NMC cell

### 3.3.1. Charge Capacity

- Test Conditions
  - Discharge (CC): 1/3C, 2.7 V cut-off @ 25 °C
  - Charge (CC): 1/3C, 4.2 V cut-off @ each temperature

Temperature	45 °C	35 °C	25 °C	10 °C	0 °C
Charge Capacity, (%)	≥ 100%	≥ 100%	100%	≥ 85%	≥ 80%

### SK Innovation S004A



# Temperature review: capacity loss

## Calendar aging

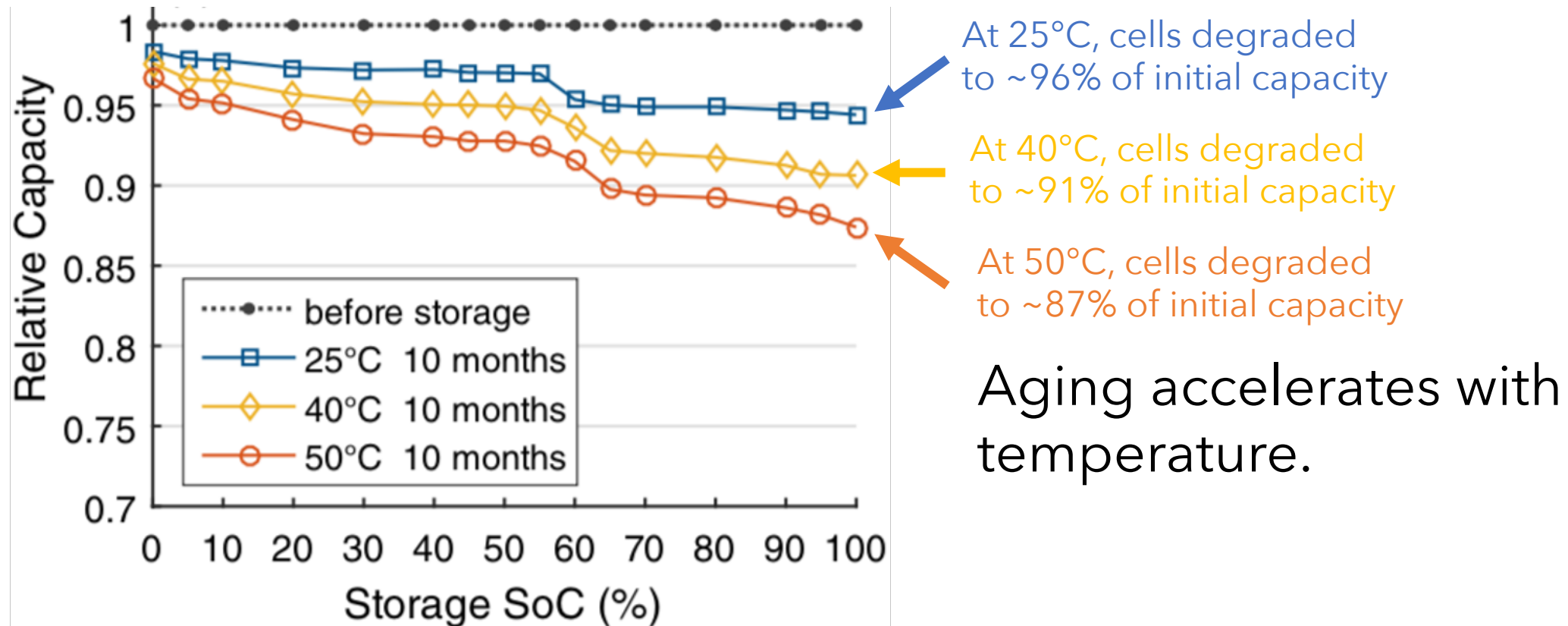
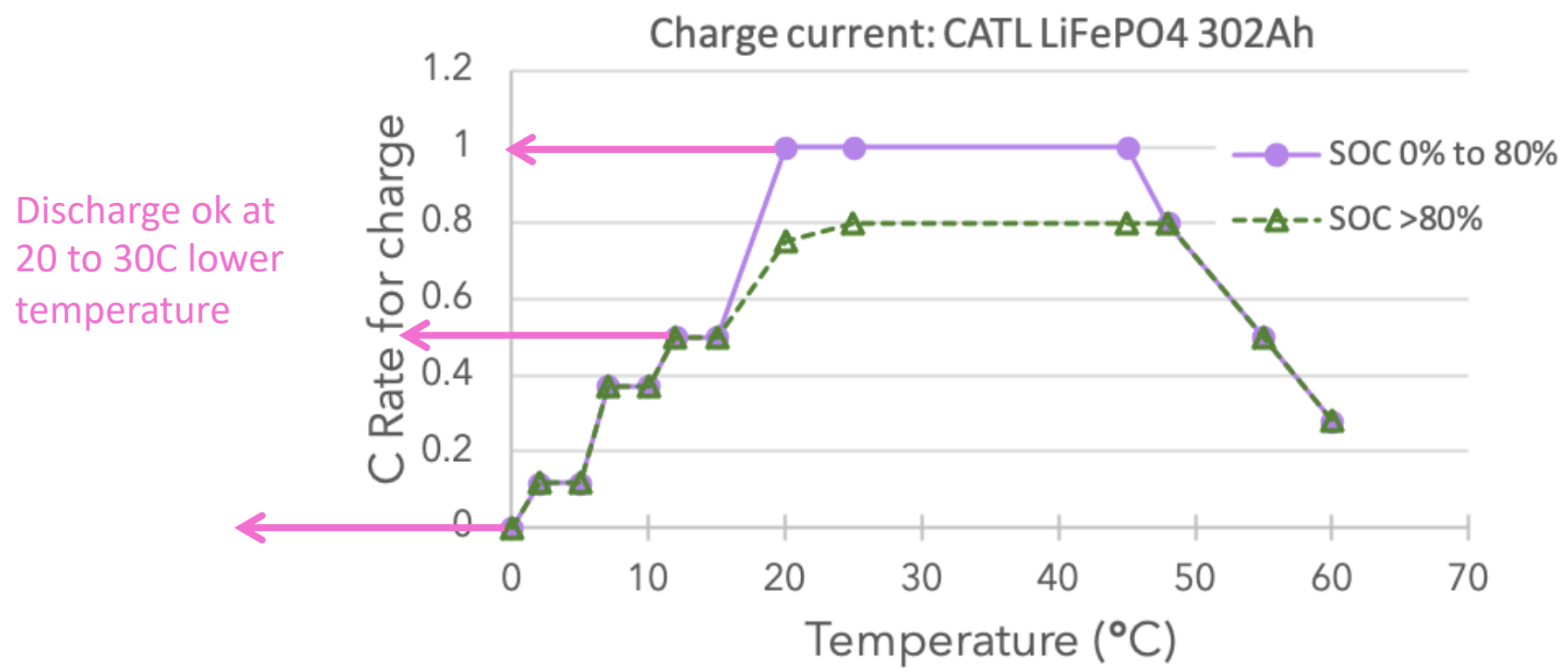


Fig. 2 in [DOI: 10.1149/2.0411609jes](https://doi.org/10.1149/2.0411609jes) [Keil 2016]



# Temperature review: Charge rate



# Temperature summary

**20°C to 45°C** is the operating sweet spot for Li-Ion

- Aging
- Capacity
- Current (and thus power)

Temperature management is important

- temperature sensing
- heating system
- cooling system
- reduced power operation

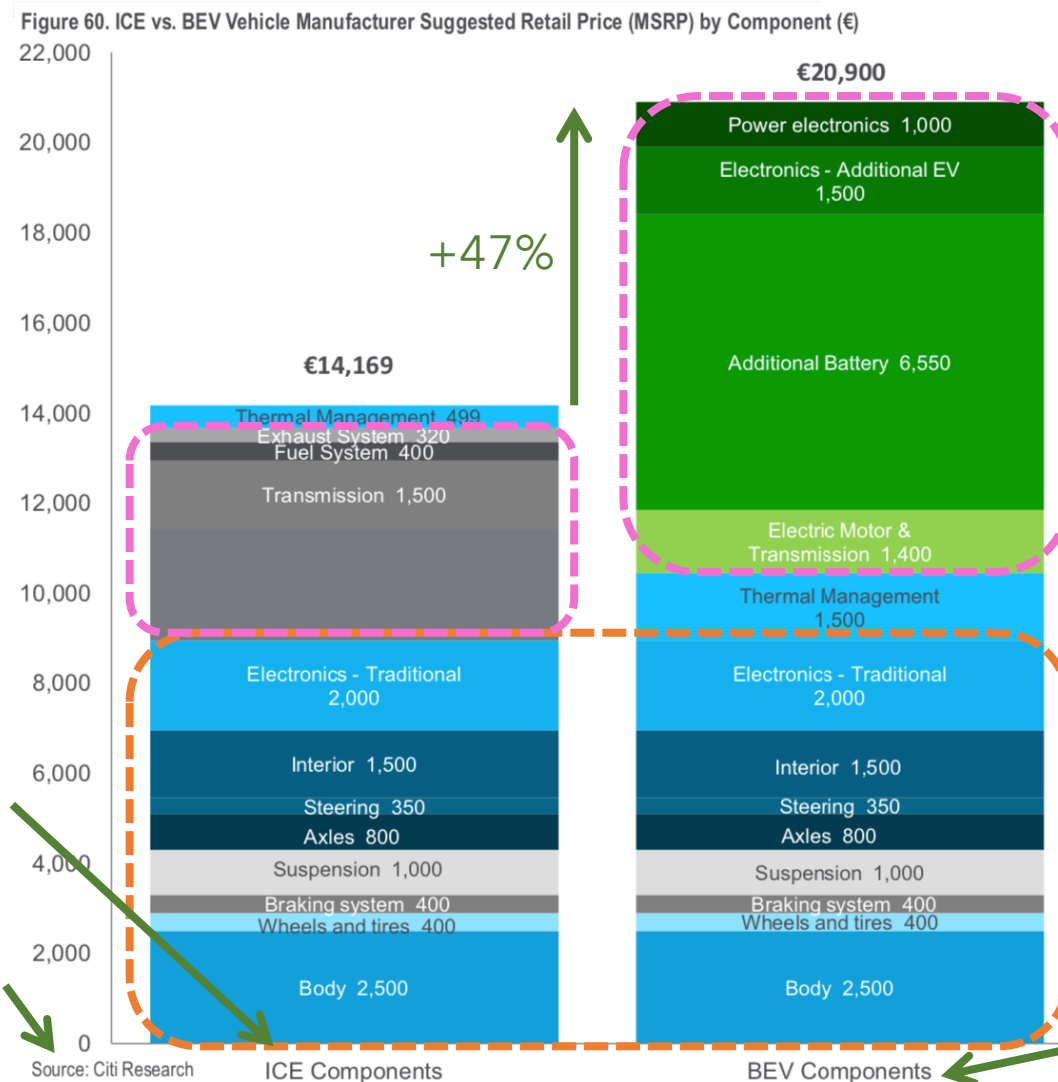
# Goal and optimization parameters

- **Goal:** Electrifying diesel power in Metro Vancouver (e.g., Sea Bus, delivery vehicles, heavy machinery, etc.). Identify a potential application and demonstrate feasibility through appropriate sizing **costing**, and other analysis
- **Optimization parameters:**
  - Energy density (with a nod to power density)
  - Safety
  - Lifetime: Chemistry, temperature, voltage
  - Charge rate
  - Temperature range

Inspired by: <https://www.smartpropel.com/nickel-cobalt-manganese-lithium-battery-vs-lithium-iron-phosphate-battery-this-is-the-most-comprehensive-interpretation>

# Cost: Overview

Cost difference: € 6,741  
 Battery cost: € 6,550



Costs unique to ICE cars

Costs unique to BEVs

Costs shared by all passenger vehicles

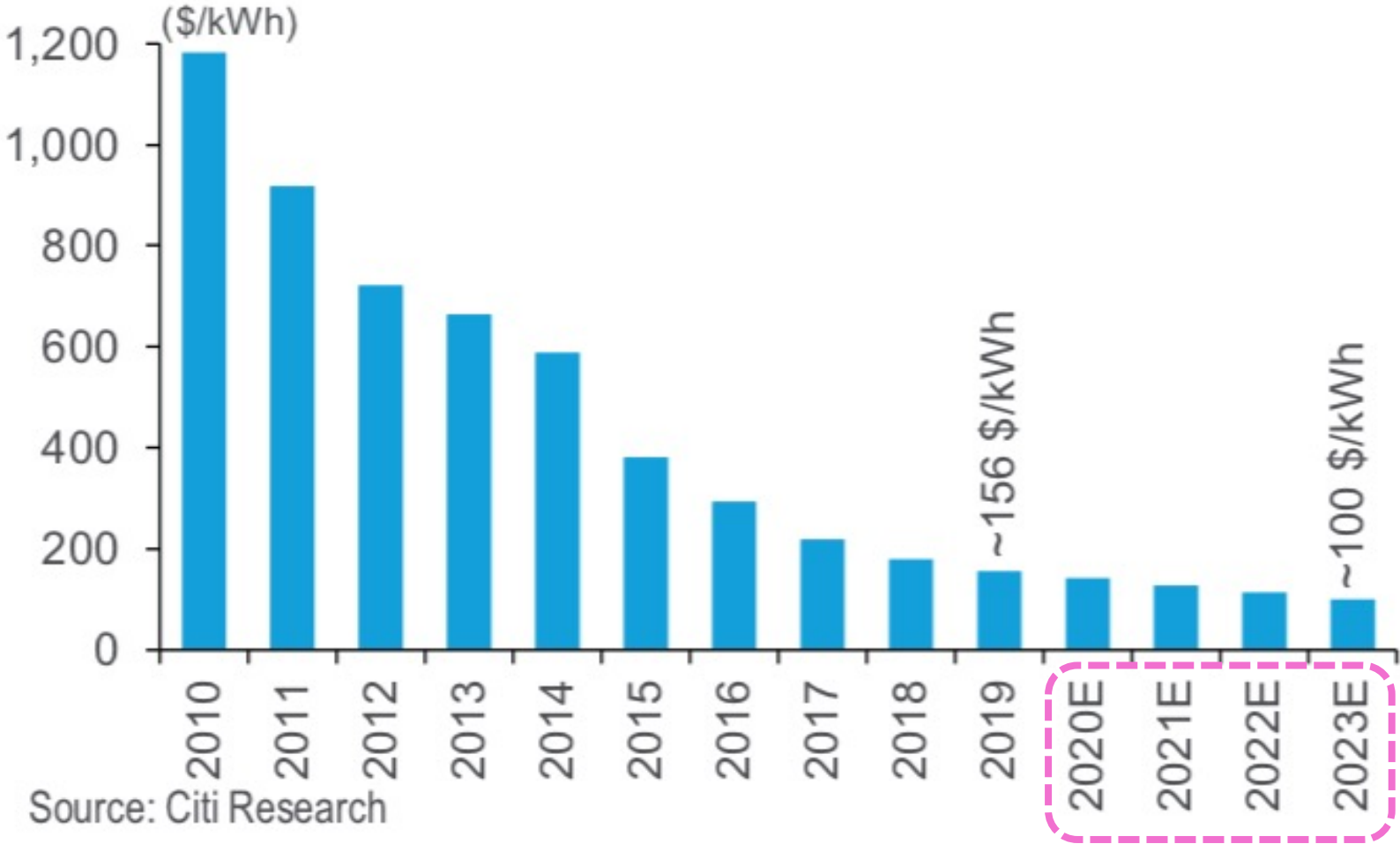
BEV = Battery Electric Vehicle

ICE = Internal Combustion Engine

Source: Citi Research February 2021

# Battery Cost is Falling

Figure 74. Battery Pack Costs Forecast to Fall to \$100/kWh



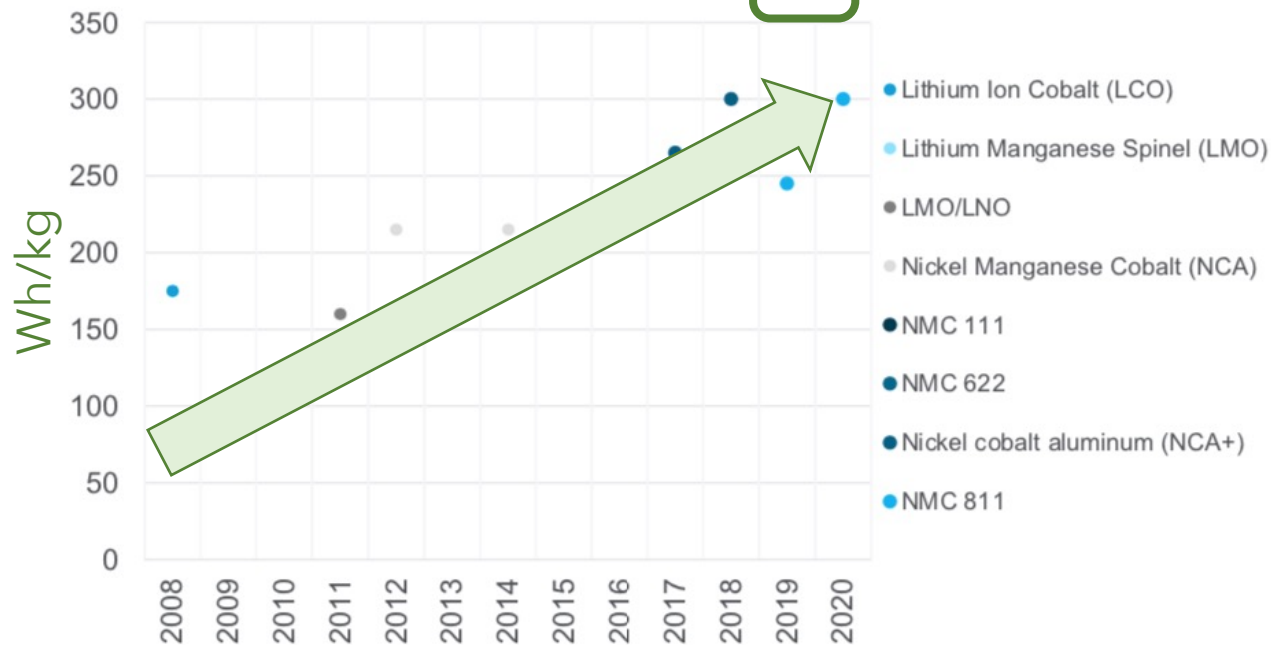
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Forecast

# Drivers behind cost decreases

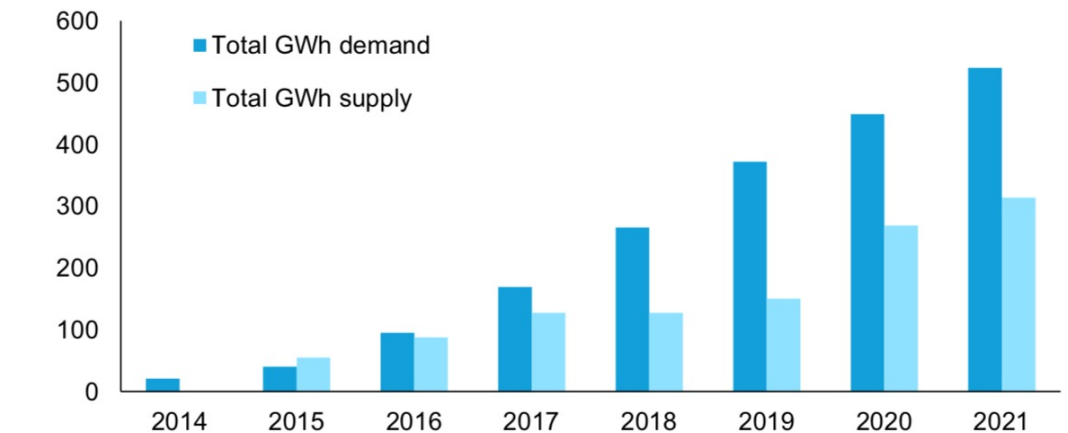
- Energy density improvements
- Economies of scale

Figure 77. Battery Cell Density Progression, 2008-2020 (Wh/kg)



Source: Citi Research, BNEF

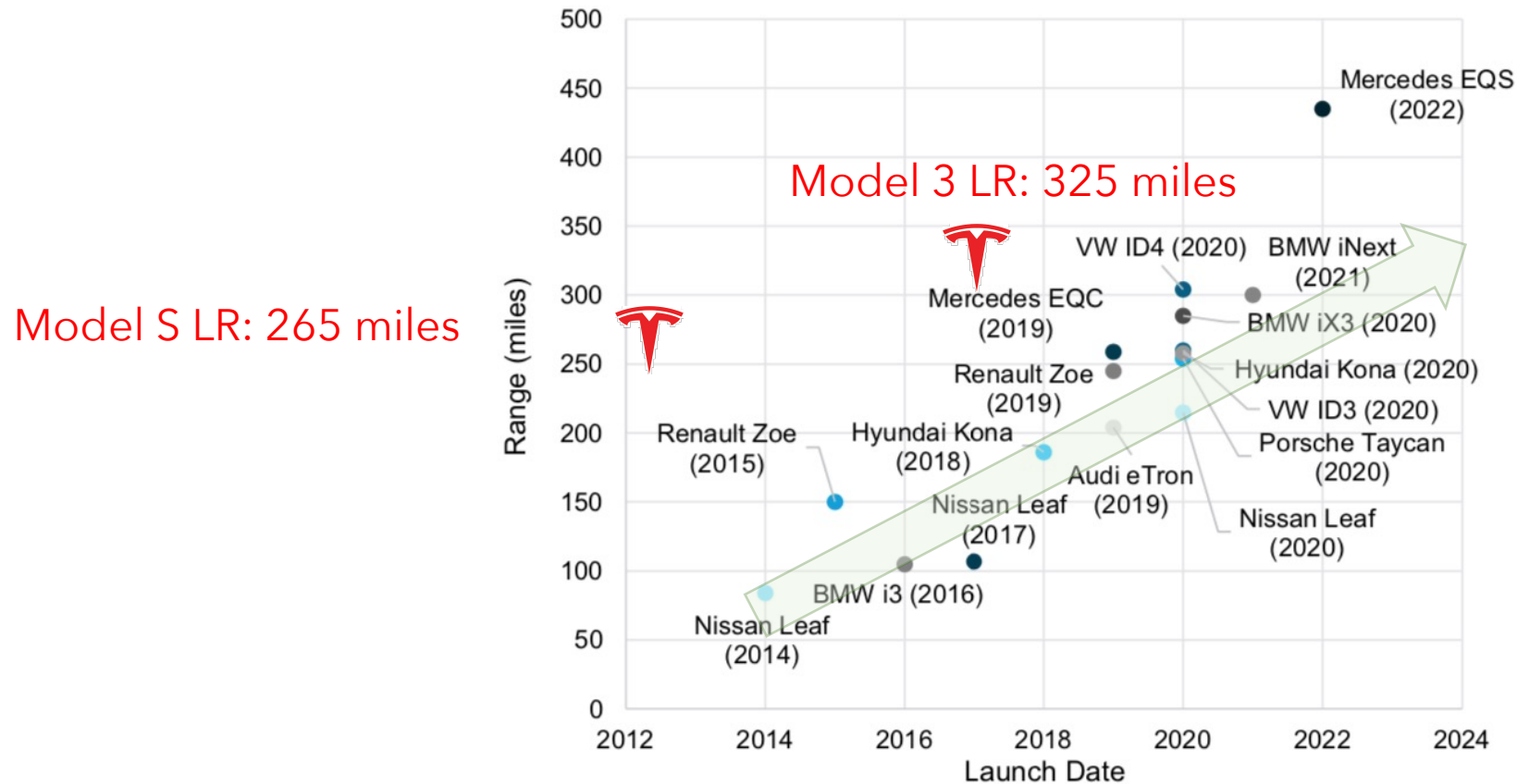
Figure 63. Global Cell Supply/Demand Balance (GWh)



Source: Citi Research

# Blinds spots and biases

Figure 15. Newer Model Launches Improve Significantly on Range



Source: Citi Research, Clean Technical, Autocar, Greencar reports, Inside EVs, electrek

Plot: [https://www.citifirst.com.hk/home/upload/citi\\_research/AZ7ON.pdf](https://www.citifirst.com.hk/home/upload/citi_research/AZ7ON.pdf)

Tesla info: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla\\_Model\\_S](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla_Model_S) and [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla\\_Model\\_3](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tesla_Model_3)

# Cost: LFP vs NMC

	LFP	NMC	NCA
<b>Material composition</b>	Lithium	Lithium	Lithium
	Iron	Nickel	Nickel
	Phosphate	Manganese	Cobalt
		Cobalt	
<b>Average cost</b> <i>US\$ per kWh</i>	\$90/kWh	\$130/kWh	\$130/kWh
<b>Energy density</b> <i>pack level</i>	160 Wh/kg	200 Wh/kg	200 Wh/kg
<b>Discharge recommendation</b>	100%	80-90%	80-90%
<b>Discharge cycles</b> <i>until 80% capacity</i>	2,500	1,000	1,000

Citi, for 2023:  
\$100/kWh

These are estimates only, actual figures will vary depending on make and model of electric vehicle.

From: <https://zecar.com/post/what-are-lfp-nmc-nca-batteries-in-electric-cars>

	LFP	NMC
<b>2021</b>	\$178.80	\$211.44
<b>2030</b>	\$117.00	\$138.36

← Higher than other sources

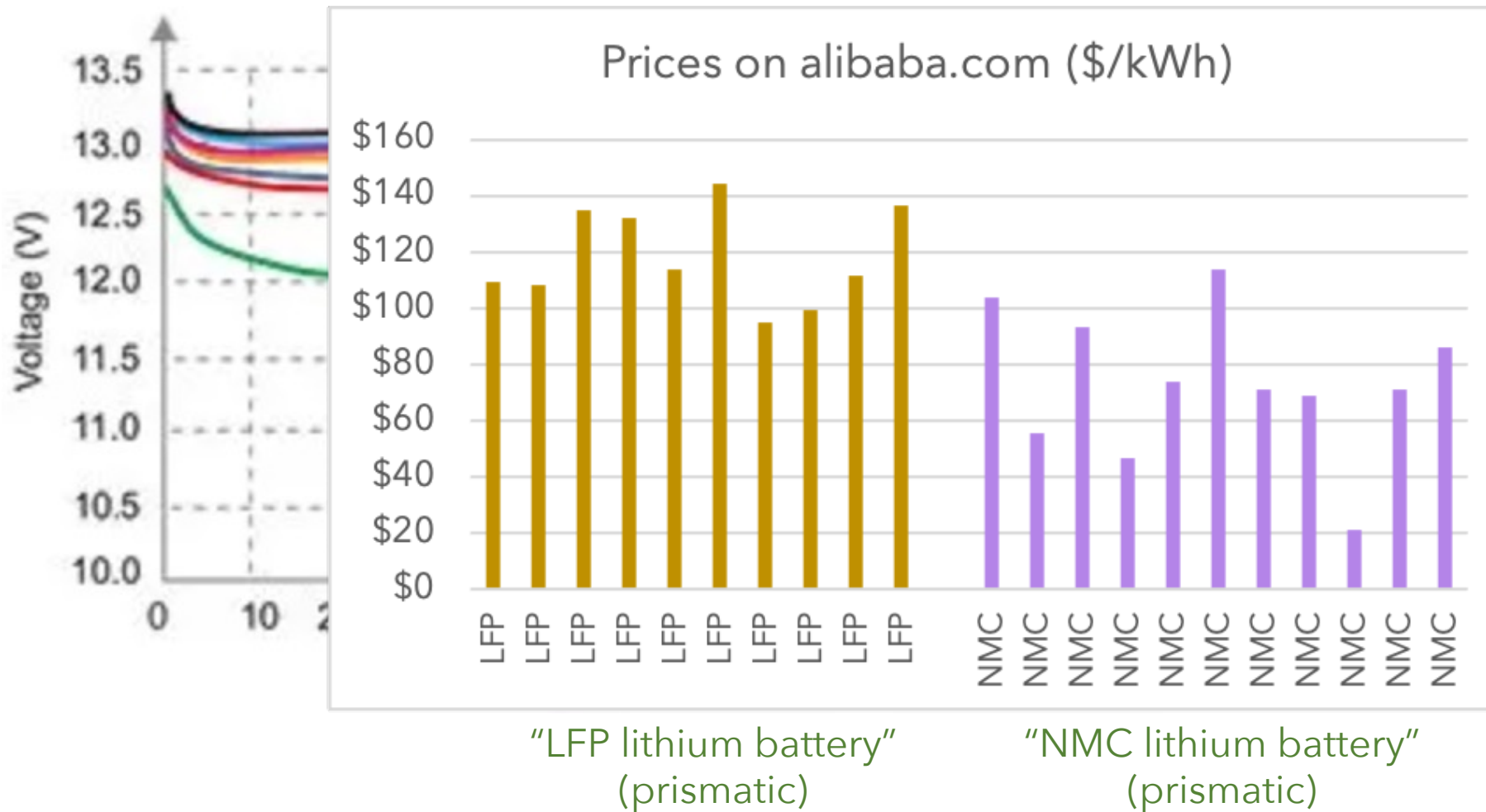
← Narrow price gap

From: <https://www.pnnl.gov/lithium-ion-battery-lfp-and-nmc>

← Slick system cost estimator



# Cost: YOUR cost.



# Wrap up

	<b>NCM</b>	<b>LFP</b>
Energy density	Better	
Safety		Better
Lifetime		Better
Charge rate (related to power density)		Often better
Temperature range	Both need active management	
Cost	Less expensive on Alibaba.com	Less expensive per industry estimates

# Cell chemistry options

Specifications	Lead Acid	Nickel Cadmium (NiCd)	Nickel Metal Hydride (NiMH)	Li-ion		
				Cobalt Oxide (LMO)	Manganese Oxide (LMO)	Iron Phosphate (LFP)
<b>Specific Energy Density</b> (Wh/kg)	30-50	45-80	60-120	150-190	100-135	90-120
<b>Life Cycle</b> (80% discharge)	200-300	1000	300-500	500-1,000	500-1,000	1,000-2,000
<b>Fast-Charge Time</b>	8-16h	1h typical	2-4h	2-4h	1h or less	1h or less
<b>Overcharge Tolerance</b>	High	Moderate	Low	Low. Cannot tolerate trickle charge		
<b>Self-Discharge/month</b> (room temp)	5%	20%	30%	<10%		
<b>Peak Load Current</b> Best Result	5C 0.2C	20C 1C	5C 0.5C	>3C <1C	>30C <10C	>30C <10C
<b>Charge Temperature</b>	-20 to 50°C -4 to 122°F	0 to 45°C 32 to 113°F		0 to 45°C 32 to 113°F		
<b>Discharge Temperature</b>	-20 to 50°C -4 to 122°F	-20 to 65°C -4 to 149°F		-20 to 60°C -4 to 140°F		
<b>Safety Requirements</b>	Thermally stable	Thermally stable, fuse protection common		Protection circuit mandatory		
<b>Toxicity</b>	Very High	Very High	Low	Low		

Excerpted form a more detailed table at: <https://www.epectec.com/batteries/cell-comparison.html>