Accumulator Simulated Load Experiment: EXP-01

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This document contains information about how to set up an experiment to simulate the operation of the accumulator. A simulated load is used for this acquisition. Both one pack and all four in series are documented here.

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Desired objectives

This experiment should characterize how the packs perform safely. To achieve this the packs will discharge into a simulated load. This will be done in two steps. The first experiment will verify that an individual pack can deliver the expected current. The second experiment will ensure that all of the packs can work together to ensure that the correct current can be driven into the load at the right voltage.

The nominal voltage of 4 packs in series is 89.6VDC. For one pack it is 22.4V. The maximum current that the packs will be asked to draw is 200A. The maximum anticipated voltage is 106.4VDC. The experiments are designed to ensure that no more than 200 A will be drawn in any circumstance.

To run these test a safety plan must have already been agreed and accepted by the ECE Director of Laboratories.

Required Hardware

- 4 Packs in series
- Simulated load
- Basic GLV safety loop
- PPE per safety plan
- Danger zone per safety plan
- Cables as specified in Appendix A
- Temperature Probe
- Multimeter

Required Software

None

Hardware Setup

Single pack



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Full accumulator setup



Figure 2 Full 4 cell test

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Software Setup

N/A

Data

Perform full stress test and ramp the desired current up to 200 Amps.

Desired data

It is desired to get for both the single pack and the chain of packs:

- Thévenin voltage
- Temperature of cells
- AIRs test demonstration, both while drawing maximum current and not drawing maximum current

AIRs tests

Check that the AIRs can be opened and closed with individual packs. Check that the packs in series can be opened and closed.

Check that the AIRs can be opened and closed with 25A load.

Thévenin Voltage

Check all packs individually from 0 Amps to 200 Amps to be able to characterize the Thévenin equivalent. Add more rows as appropriate. Pay careful attention to measuring the voltage away from the cells, a correction factor may be needed to deal with voltage loss.

Pack	Current	Voltage at load

Check chain of packs from 0 Amps to 200 Amps.

Current	Voltage at load

Temperature

While testing ensure that no part of the pack gets 40C above ambient temperature.

Witness/examiner signature	Date	Pass/Fail
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Appendix A: Wiring requirements

1 W 2 BF 3 RE 4 BL	YHT SL1 RN SL2 ED AIRs+ .K AIRs-	P1 W6 DT06-4S	Safety Loop 16/4 Cable	P2 DT06-4S	1 2 3 4	WHT BRN RED BLK	SL1 SL2 AIRs+ AIRs-
1 W 2 BF 3 RE 4 BL	'HT SL1 RN SL2 ED AIRs+ LK AIRs-	P1 W7 DT06-4S	Safety Loop Terr 16/1 Cable	<u>mi</u> nator	1 2 3 4	Jump 1 and Leave 3 and	pin 2 pin 4
1 RE	ED TSV HV	P1 NLDFT-E-GN-L-S120-M40	Pack 1 + DA 2/0 Cable	Bare	1	RED	TSV HV
1 RE	ED TSV HV	P1 TW2 NLS-3-GY-S120-M40A	Pack 2/4 + 2/0 Cable	Bare	1	RED	TSV HV
1 RE	ED TSV HV	P1 NLS-N-BL-S120-M40A	Pack 3 + 2/0 Cable	Bare	1	RED	TSV HV
1 RE	ED TSV HV	P1 TW4 F NLDFT-3-GY-L-S120-M40	Pack 1 and 3 -	Bare	1	RED	TSV HV
1 RE	ED TSV HV	P1 W13 F NLDFT-N-BL-L-S120-M40	Pack 2 and 4 -)A 2/0 Cable	Bare	1	RED	TSV HV

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What packs

use it

1,2,3,4

1,2,3,4

1

2,4

3

1,3

2,4

Cable

W6

W7

W12

TW2

TW3

TW4

W13

Total count

for full test

4

1

1

1

1

1

1

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