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# **Getting Started**

# **Simscape Battery Product Description**

#### Design and simulate battery and energy storage systems

Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> provides design tools and parameterized models for designing battery systems. You can create digital twins, run virtual tests of battery pack architectures, design battery management systems, and evaluate battery system behavior across normal and fault conditions.

Battery Pack Model Builder is a design tool that lets you interactively evaluate different battery pack architectures. The tool automates the creation of simulation models that match the desired pack topology and includes cooling plate connections so electrical and thermal responses can be evaluated.

Parameterized models of battery packs and battery management systems demonstrate operations, including cell balancing and state of charge estimation. You can use these examples to determine cell requirements, perform trade-off analyses and hardware-in-the-loop (HIL) testing, and generate readable and efficient C/C++ code.

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# **Battery Modeling Workflow**

#### In this section...

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"Visualize Battery" on page 2-5

"Define Model Resolution" on page 2-5

"Build Battery Model" on page 2-5

Simscape Battery includes MATLAB<sup>®</sup> objects, functions, and apps to automate the creation of Simscape battery models. Use these tools to define your own battery design specifications, visualize your battery in a 3-D space, customize the modeling resolution during simulation, and generate a Simulink<sup>®</sup> library that contains your custom generated battery blocks. You can use these blocks to assist with virtual battery design and verification, help develop battery control algorithms using Simulink software, explore design sensitivities, and design thermal management strategies.

You can develop and test battery control strategies by simulating your custom battery blocks with the blocks in the **Battery Management System (BMS)** library of Simscape Battery. You can also thermally couple your custom battery models in Simulink with the blocks in the **Thermal Management System** library. Alternatively, you can define your own custom battery control and cooling system blocks.



Number of cells

By using the battery objects in Simscape Battery, you can specify several electro-thermal features that you want to model in your battery simulation. For example, you can:

- Add a cell-balancing circuit to every parallel assembly or cell for BMS control.
- Add custom thermal boundary conditions, such as thermal resistors, that represent ambient heat dissipation paths.
- Enable battery aging models in the cell-level model block.

All battery models are scaled up from a single cell model block, which by default is defined as the Battery (Table-Based) block. You can define your own custom battery cell as long as it meets specific requirements.

You can customize the model resolution before model creation to suit the model requirements of your specific engineering problem. A larger number of equivalent circuit models of a battery provides a

higher resolution. By default, the model resolution is Lumped, which is the lowest resolution and provides the best simulation speed and compilation time. This resolution indicates that only one "scaled-up" equivalent circuit model represents your system. If you increase the model resolution to Grouped, you can customize the number of electrical and thermal models required to answer your specific engineering question while increasing simulation speed. If you require a very detailed battery model, you can choose to simulate every single cell inside your battery electrically and thermally. This level of resolution comes at a great performance cost. To support real-time simulations, keep the number of equivalent circuit models equal to or less than 30. All custom Simscape Battery models support the Simscape scalable compilation feature.

To create your own battery model, follow these steps:

- **1** "Define Battery Design" on page 2-4
- 2 "Visualize Battery" on page 2-5
- **3** "Define Model Resolution" on page 2-5
- 4 "Build Battery Model" on page 2-5

This workflow applies whether you are creating your battery model at the MATLAB Command Window or by using the **Battery Builder** app.



# **Define Battery Design**

Create a Simscape Battery object and specify its properties. These are the battery objects you can create:

- Cell
- ParallelAssembly
- Module
- ModuleAssembly
- Pack

You can create these objects either at the MATLAB Command Window or by using the **Battery Builder** app. The **Battery Builder** app allows you to interactively create, modify, visualize, and build your MATLAB battery objects.

You can also create these objects without any inputs and define them with the required level of detail. You can create the battery models with or without defining the geometrical characteristics of the battery cells and the battery topology. High-level models without consideration of geometry are normally used as value models early in the design stages of a prototype pack to evaluate key performance indicators. Battery mass and packaging volume are dependent properties that you can obtain by querying the Mass and PackagingVolume properties of the battery object. Use the CumulativeCellCapacity and CumulativeCellEnergy properties to understand how the celllevel capacity and energy values scale up at system level without considering non-cell component losses or other operating conditions. To determine the actual delivered energy and capacity of your battery pack, you must simulate your battery model first.

### **Visualize Battery**

The BatteryChart object provides a custom battery visualization function to verify the hardware specifications of your battery, such as the cell dimensions, inter-cell spacing, inter-module spacing, number of cells, selected parallel assembly topology, and many more. Geometry and cell layout are required properties to perform more detailed thermal modelling with thermal management system blocks, like the coupling of a battery module block with one of the cooling plates blocks provided in the **Thermal** library of Simscape Battery.

Inside the **Battery Builder** app, the **Selected Battery** panel automatically displays a 3-D plot of the selected object. You can edit multiple properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object.

### **Define Model Resolution**

Set a suitable model resolution or simulation strategy by specifying the ModelResolution property in the ParallelAssembly and Module levels. When you specify the resolution of your battery model, you must consider the trade-off between model resolution and model speed.

**Note** To obtain optimal performance, keep the number of models to lower than or equal to 30.

You can simulate specific regions or areas of your battery by using a grouped model resolution and by specifying the SeriesGrouping and ParallelGrouping properties. With this flexible approach, you can simulate specific subcomponents of your battery that exhibit the hottest and coldest temperatures, or the highest and lowest state of charge. You must capture these spreads to correctly test and develop the battery control strategy.

# **Build Battery Model**

Use the buildBattery function to create a custom battery model from the ParallelAssembly, Module, ModuleAssembly, and Pack objects.

To build the battery model in the **Battery Builder** app, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, select **Create Library**.

This function creates one or two libraries in your current working directory that contain the necessary subsystems and variables you need to simulate the battery. The buildBattery function creates one library for the Simscape-level battery blocks of the object hierarchy (ParallelAssembly and Module), and another library for the Simulink-level battery subsystems, ModuleAssembly and Pack. If you also specify the MaskParameters and MaskInitialTargets

name-value arguments, the buildBattery function generates a parameterization script that helps you managing the run-time parameters of the different modules and parallel assemblies inside the pack.

# See Also

#### Apps Battery Builder

Objects

Cell | ParallelAssembly | Module | ModuleAssembly | Pack

Functions

buildBattery

# **Related Examples**

- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7
- "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

# Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script

#### In this section...

"Manage Parameters and Initial Targets" on page 2-7

"Create Battery Pack and Manage Run-Time Parameters" on page 2-7

Simscape Battery models that you create by using the battery pack builder objects comprise conditional and run-time parameters. When you create the battery objects, you can specify the conditional parameters of the generated battery models by using the CellModelBlock property of the underlying Cell object. The software defines the run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, after you create the model. You therefore cannot define the run-time parameters by using the battery pack builder objects.

To define the run-time parameters, specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function. If you specify the MaskParameters argument as "VariableNames", the function also generates a parameterization script that you can use to manage the run-time parameters of the modules and cells inside your system.

### **Manage Parameters and Initial Targets**

Use the MaskInitialTargets and MaskParameters arguments of the buildBattery function to choose between default numeric values or variable names for the parameters and initial conditions in each Module and ParallelAssembly block in the generated library.

When you set the MaskParameters argument to "VariableNames", the buildBattery function generates a script. Use this script to set each module and cell parameters, including the resistance and the open-circuit voltage, for all the battery modules in your battery pack. If you also set the MaskInitialTargets argument to "VariableNames", then the generated file contains the mask parameter definitions at the beginning.

When you set the MaskInitialTargets argument to "VariableNames", the buildBattery function generates a script. Use this script to set each of the initial values such as the initial temperature and state of charge for all the battery modules in your battery pack. If you also set the MaskParameters argument to "VariableNames", then the generated file contains the initial targets definitions at the end.

### **Create Battery Pack and Manage Run-Time Parameters**

In this example, you create a simple battery pack and check the effects of setting the MaskParameters and the MaskInitialTargets arguments of the buildBattery function to "VariableNames".

Create a Pack object by creating Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects, in this order.

```
import simscape.battery.builder.*;
batteryCell = Cell(Geometry=CylindricalGeometry);
pSet = ParallelAssembly(Cell=batteryCell,NumParallelCells=48,Topology="Hexagonal",Rows=4);
module = Module(ParallelAssembly=pSet,NumSeriesAssemblies=4);
moduleAssembly = ModuleAssembly(Module=repmat(module,1,2));
pack = Pack(ModuleAssembly=repmat(moduleAssembly,1,4),BalancingStrategy="Passive");
```

```
pack =
  Pack with properties:
   ModuleAssembly: [1×4 simscape.battery.builder.ModuleAssembly]
```

Use the buildBattery function to build the library file from the Pack object. Set the LibraryName name-value argument of the function to give the library a meaningful name. Then, set MaskParameters and MaskParameters to "VariableNames" to generate a parameterization script that you can use to manage the run-time parameters of the modules and parallel assemblies in the pack.

```
buildBattery(pack,LibraryName="batteriesVariableNames",...
MaskInitialTargets="VariableNames",...
MaskParameters="VariableNames")
```

```
Generating Simulink library 'batteriesVariableNames_lib' in the current directory 'C:\Work\' ...
```

This figure shows the content of the folder after the function generates the library files:



Open the generated library batteriesVariableNames SLX file to access the ModuleAssembly and Pack objects as Simscape subsystems.



Navigate to the ModuleAssembly1 subsystem by double-clicking the Pack1 subsystem. Double-click the Module1 block to open the **Property Inspector**.

🎦 batteriesVariableNames 🕨 🖻 Pack1 🕨 🖻 ModuleAssembly1



The software associates a specific variable name to the values of each parameter in the **Main** section of the Module1 block. You can specify these values inside the batteryVariableNames\_param

script without having to change them inside the model by opening the **Property Inspector** of each block individually.

batterie	sVariableNames_param.m 🛛 🗶 🕂
1	%% Battery parameters
2	
3	%% ModuleType1
4	ModuleType1.SOC_vec = [0, .1, .25, .5, .74, .9, 1]; % Vector of state-of-charge values, SOC
5	ModuleType1.V0_vec = [3.5057, 3.566, 3.63, 7, 3.7127, 3.9259, 4.0777, 4.1928]; % Open-circuit voltage, V0(SOC), V
6	ModuleType1.V_range = [0, inf]; % Terminal voltage operating range [Min Max], V
7	ModuleType1.R0_vec = [.0085, .0085, .0087, .0082, .0083, .0085, .0085]; % Terminal resistance, R0(SOC), Ohm
8	ModuleType1.AH = 27; % Cell capacity, AH, A*hr
9	ModuleType1.CellBalancingClosedResistance = 0.01; % Cell balancing switch closed resistance, Ohm
10	ModuleType1.CellBalancingOpenConductance = 1e-8; % Cell balancing switch open conductance, 1/Ohm
11	ModuleType1.CellBalancingThreshold = 0.5; % Cell balancing switch operation threshold
12	ModuleType1.CellBalancingResistance = 50; % Cell balancing shunt resistance, Ohm
13	
14	%% ParallelAssemblyType1

# See Also

**Objects** Cell | ParallelAssembly | Module | ModuleAssembly | Pack

Functions buildBattery

# **Related Examples**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Build Model of Hybrid-Cell Battery Pack" on page 4-69

# Simulation and Analysis of Thermal Management Systems

# **Connect Cooling Plate to Battery Blocks**

Simscape<sup>TM</sup> Battery<sup>TM</sup> includes blocks and models of battery cooling systems for simulations of battery thermal management. You can use these blocks to add detailed thermal boundary conditions and thermal interfaces to the battery blocks. These cooling system blocks contain both thermal and thermal-liquid domain connections:

- To interface to or from battery blocks that include a thermal model, use the thermal domain nodes.
- To specify coolant inlet and outlet properties and operating conditions, use the thermal-liquid domain nodes.

The cooling system blocks of the **Thermal** library are flat cooling plates. These blocks support three main flow configurations: parallel channels, U-shaped rectangular channels, and edge cooling. In the edge cooling configuration, the coolant flows at one end of the flat plate and all the heat from the battery cells is transferred via conduction within the cooling plate material. You can discretize these cooling plates into elements to closely capture temperature spreads resulting from the dynamic interaction with the battery and the coolant flow.

You can link a cooling plate to a battery block manually or automatically.

To manually link a cooling plate to a battery block:

- **1** Define your battery object and model. To display the required thermal interface characteristics for cooling plate coupling in the form of a structure, use the **ThermalNodes** property of the battery objects.
- **2** Drag and drop your battery block and the required cooling plate block in your Simulink model and connect the thermal domain nodes of the two blocks.
- **3** Input the required **ThermalNodes** information into the cooling plate block. This information includes: number of nodes, 2-D location of nodes, and dimensions of nodes.

When you link a cooling plate to a battery block, the total length and width of the cooling plate are automatically fitted to that specific block.

To automatically link a cooling plate to a battery block, at the time of creation of your battery object, in the CoolingPlateBlockPath property, specify the path of the cooling system block that you want to use from the **Thermal** library. When you build your battery object, the Battery Pack Builder automatically links the battery block to the specified cooling plate block at the boundary defined by the CoolingPlate property. For example, this figure shows the internal structure of a module assembly when you set the CoolingPlate property to "Bottom" and the CoolingPlateBlockPath property to "batt lib/Thermal/Parallel Channels":



The cooling plate linkage relies on the **array-of-nodes** domain, a multi-dimensional or vectorized thermal domain connector. Vectorized thermal domain connectors facilitate the element-wise coupling of battery thermal models to the cooling plate components. Vectorized connections are necessary in the detailed thermal modeling of battery modules that contain many different parallel assemblies or cells. The blocks generated by using the buildBattery function use the arrayOfThermalNodesConnector block to concatenate arrays of thermal nodes into single array of thermal nodes port.

For example, consider a module that contains six parallel assemblies with six cells in parallel. You can choose to thermally simulate this module using three thermal models by setting the **SeriesGrouping** property to [1,4,1]. In this case the length of the thermal node array is equal to 3. Alternatively, you can increase the model resolution to five thermal models by setting the **SeriesGrouping** property to [1,1,2,1,1]. Here, the length of the thermal node array increases to 5. The size of the **ThermalNodes** property changes to reflect this increased level of resolution. This also changes the area and location of the thermal nodes in the battery block. This figure shows the thermal linkage that occurs when you link this battery module to one of the cooling plates from the **Thermal** library in Simscape Battery.



# See Also

Apps Battery Builder

#### Simscape Blocks

arrayOfThermalNodesConnector | Parallel Channels | U-shaped Channels | Edge Cooling

#### Objects

Cell | ParallelAssembly | Module | ModuleAssembly | Pack

# **Related Examples**

- "Build Model of Battery Module Assembly with Multi-Module Cooling Plate" on page 4-9
- "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211
- "Thermal Analysis for New and Aged Battery Packs" on page 4-105

# Examples

# **Build Model of Battery Module with Inter-Cell Heat Exchange**

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery module with inter-cell heat exchange in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. Inter-cell heat transfer mechanisms are relevant in the design of battery systems, including analyzing battery thermal propagation and evaluating electro-thermal load cycles in virtual verification. The heat transfer mechanisms supported in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> are conduction, convection, and radiation. To create the system model of a battery module, you must first create the Cell and ParallelAssembly objects that comprise the battery module, and then use the buildBattery function. The buildBattery function generates Simscape models for these Simscape Battery objects:

- ParallelAssembly
- Module
- ModuleAssembly
- Pack

This function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery module. Use this model as reference in your simulations. You can modify the run-time parameters for this model block, such as the battery cell resistance or the battery open-circuit voltage, after you create the model. To define the run-time parameters, specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### **Create Battery Module Object in MATLAB**

To create a battery module object, you must first design and create the foundational elements of the battery module.

This figure shows the hierarchy of a battery pack object in a bottom-up view:



Number of cells

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies. These parallel assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the Module object, first create a Cell object with the cylindrical geometry.

```
cylindricalGeometry = CylindricalGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.07,"m"),...
Radius = simscape.Value(0.0105,"m"));
```

The CylindricalGeometry object defines the cylindrical geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. To specify the height and radius of the cell, set the Height and Radius properties of the CylindricalGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the PouchGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this CylindricalGeometry object to create a cylindrical battery cell.

```
batteryCell = Cell(Geometry = cylindricalGeometry)
batteryCell =
Cell with properties:
Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CylindricalGeometry]
CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Capacity: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Energy: [1×1 simscape.Value]
```

```
Show all properties
```

The Cell object allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port property to "model".

batteryCell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of 3 cylindrical cells stacked in a square topology over three rows.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object and specify the NumParallelCells, StackingAxis, and Topology properties according to your design.

```
batteryParallelAssembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batteryCell,...
NumParallelCells = 3, ...
StackingAxis = "X", ...
Topology = "Square");
```

#### **Create Module Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery module. A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of six parallel assemblies. You also define the model resolution of the module.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, and the ModelResolution properties.

```
batteryModule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryParallelAssembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 6, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(2e-3, 'm'),...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

#### **Enable Inter-Cell Thermal Path**

To enable cell-to-cell heat conduction paths, set the InterCellThermalPath property of the batteryModule object to "on". The battery cell model block must enable a valid thermal model with at least one thermal domain port.

batteryModule.InterCellThermalPath = "on";

The Module and ParallelAssembly objects simulate thermal interactions between adjacent battery cells by creating a thermal domain network. In this thermal domain network, the thermal model of every battery cell is inter-connected to each of their neighbors. Enabling the InterCellThermalPath property thermally connects adjacent cells by using a Simscape<sup>™</sup> thermal resistance block. You can set the **Thermal resistance** parameter after you build the Simscape<sup>™</sup> battery block. You can set a different value for every thermal connection between two adjacent cells.



#### View Information on Inter-Cell Thermal Path Connectivity

To view the total number of inter-cell thermal connections inside the Module object, use the NumInterCellThermalConnections property. This property is the sum of all inter-cell thermal connections inside every parallel assembly in the module.

disp(batteryModule.NumInterCellThermalConnections)

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To view the number of thermal connections between adjacent ParallelAssemblies objects, use the NumInterCellThermalConnections property.

disp(batteryModule.NumInterParallelAssemblyThermalConnections)

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To visualize the cell-to-cell thermal connections, use the InterCellConnectionsMapping property. The InterCellConnectionsMapping is a 2-D matrix that shows the connections between adjacent battery cell models. For each column, the first row of the InterCellConnectionsMapping property shows the cell index in a specific parallel assembly from which the thermal connection originates from. The second row contains the index of the corresponding destination cell. This thermal connection is bidirectional as with all thermal domain connections in Simscape<sup>™</sup>. For a Module object, the indexes are based only on the number of cells connected in parallel in the parallel assembly.

disp(batteryModule.InterCellConnectionsMapping)

1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3

To visualize the parallelAssembly-to-parallelAssembly thermal connections, use the InterParallelAssemblyConnectionsMapping property. The

InterParallelAssemblyConnectionsMapping is a 2-D matrix that shows the connections between adjacent battery cell models from adjacent parallel assemblies inside the module. For each column, the first row of the InterParallelAssemblyConnectionsMapping shows the

**ParallelAssembly** index inside the **Module** from which the thermal connection originates from. The second row contains the index of the corresponding destination **ParallelAssembly**.

disp(batteryModule.InterParallelAssemblyConnectionsMapping)

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4

The battery builder in Simscape Battery also supports radiation heat exchange between cells. Enabling the InterCellRadiativeThermalPath property thermally connects adjacent cell models by using a Simscape<sup>™</sup> radiation block. This figure shows a comparison between the two methods:

InterCellThermalPath



InterCellRadiativeThermalPath



#### **Visualize Battery Module and Check Model Resolution**

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery(Table-based) blocks used for the module simulation, use the NumModels property of your Module object.

```
disp(batteryModule.NumModels)
```

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To visualize the battery module before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery module.

```
f = uifigure(Color="w");
tl = tiledlayout(1,2,"Parent",f,"TileSpacing","Compact");
```

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery module. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart1 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batteryModule);
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart2 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batteryModule, SimulationStrategyVisib
```



#### **Build Simscape Model of Module Object**

After you create your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Module object, use the buildBattery function. To create a script where you can individually define the inter-cell thermal resistance parameters for each thermal connection, as well as all other parameters within your battery, set the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function to "VariableNames".

```
buildBattery(batteryModule, "LibraryName", "interCellHeatExchangeModule", ...
"MaskParameters", "VariableNames");
```

This function creates a library named interCellHeatExchangeModule\_lib in your working folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks.



#### See Also Battery Builder

### **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# Build Model of Battery Module Assembly with Multi-Module Cooling Plate

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a module assembly with a multi-module cooling plate by using Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. Large cooling plates that span across several battery modules are quite common in the design of battery systems, including in the automotive and consumer electronics sector. The workflow in this example automates the process of thermally coupling several modules together to a single battery cooling plate. To create the system model of a battery ModuleAssembly, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, and Module objects that comprise the battery module assembly, and then use the buildBattery function. The buildBattery function generates Simscape models for these Simscape Battery objects:

- ParallelAssembly
- Module
- ModuleAssembly
- Pack

This function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery module. Use this model as reference in your simulations. You can modify the run-time parameters for this model block, such as the battery cell resistance or the battery open-circuit voltage, after you create the model. To define the run-time parameters, specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Create Battery ModuleAssembly Object in MATLAB

To create a battery module assembly object, you must first design and create the foundational elements of the battery module assembly.

This figure shows the hierarchy of a battery pack object in a bottom-up view:



Number of cells

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery parallel assemblies connected electrically in parallel or series under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the ModuleAssembly object, first create a Cell object with the pouch geometry.

```
pouchgeometry = PouchGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.1,"m"),...
Length = simscape.Value(0.3,"m"), TabLocation = "Opposed");
```

The PouchGeometry object defines the pouch geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. To specify the height, radius, and location of tabs of the cell, set the Height, Radius, and TabLocation properties of the PouchGeometry object.

Now use this PouchGeometry object to create a pouch battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = pouchgeometry)
batterycell =
   Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PouchGeometry]
   CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
        Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Capacity: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Energy: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Show all properties
```

The Cell object allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the

CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port property to "model" and the T dependence property to "yes".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model"; batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.T\_dependence = "yes";

You can define the thermal boundary conditions for battery parallel assemblies and modules only if you have previously defined a thermal model at the cell level.

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of three pouch cells.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object and specify the NumParallelCells property.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 3, ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

#### **Create Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of four parallel assemblies, with a gap between each parallel assembly of 0.005 meters, and a lumped model resolution. You also create another Module object with a detailed model resolution.

To create these Module objects, use the ParallelAssembly object and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, and ModelResolution properties.

```
lumpedbatterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"));
detailedbatterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

#### **Create ModuleAssembly Object**

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery module assembly of three different modules, with a gap between each module of 0.01 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module object and specify the CoolantThermalPath and the InterModuleGap property.

```
batteryModuleAssembly = ModuleAssembly(Module = [detailedbatterymodule,repmat(lumpedbatterymodule
CoolantThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance", ...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.05,"m"))
```

```
batteryModuleAssembly =
ModuleAssembly with properties:
```

```
Module: [1×7 simscape.battery.builder.Module]
Show all properties
```

#### Add Cooling Plate to Module Assembly

To add a single cooling plate across all battery modules, you must first define a cooling plate boundary. Set the CoolingPlate property of the ModuleAssembly object to "Bottom".

batteryModuleAssembly.CoolingPlate = "Bottom";

To specify the desired cooling plate block from the Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> library, use the CoolingPlateBlockPath property. In this example, you use the Parallel Channels block to model the cooling plate.

```
batteryModuleAssembly.CoolingPlateBlockPath = "batt_lib/Thermal/Parallel Channels";
```

To obtain higher resolution in the temperature and state of charge signals for battery control, you can use different model resolutions for each module inside the module assembly. To parameterize the cooling plate, you can visualize the thermal node information at module assembly level. This thermal node information propagates to the generated model after you call the buildBattery function.



Alternatively, to individually define cooling plates to each module, modify the CoolingPlate and CoolingPlateBlockPath properties of each module inside the ModuleAssembly or Pack objects.

#### **View Information on Thermal Node Connectivity**

To visualize the thermal connectivity information from the module assembly, use the ThermalNodes property.

```
thermalNodes = batteryModuleAssembly.ThermalNodes.Bottom;
disp(thermalNodes)
```

```
Locations: [29×2 double]
Dimensions: [29×2 double]
NumNodes: 29
```

This property contains information regarding the thermal interface between the battery and the cooling plate, including the number of nodes, the XY location of the interface areas, and the dimension of each interface area.

#### disp(thermalNodes.NumNodes)

29

#### disp(thermalNodes.Locations)

0.1800	0.0050
0.1800	0.0160
0.1800	0.0270
0.1800	0.0420
0.1800	0.0530
0.1800	0.0640
0.1800	0.0790
0.1800	0.0900
0.1800	0.1010
0.1800	0.1160
0.1800	0.1270
0.1800	0.1380
0.1800	0.2645
0.1800	0.4575
0.1800	0.6505
0.1800	0.8435
0.1800	1.0365
0.1800	1.1630
0.1800	1.1740
0.1800	1.1850
0.1800	1.2000
0.1800	1.2110
0.1800	1.2220
0.1800	1.2370
0.1800	1.2480
0.1800	1.2590
0.1800	1.2740
0.1800	1.2850
0.1800	1.2960

#### disp(thermalNodes.Dimensions)

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#### Visualize Battery ModuleAssembly and Check Model Resolution

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery(Table-based) blocks used for the simulation, use the NumModels property of your ModuleAssembly object.

disp(batteryModuleAssembly.NumModels)

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To visualize the ModuleAssembly object before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your ModuleAssembly.

```
f = uifigure(Color="w");
tl = tiledlayout(1,2,"Parent",f,"TileSpacing","Compact");
```

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery module. To view the model resolution of the module assembly, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleAssemblyChart1 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batteryModuleAssembly);
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleAssemblyChart2 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batteryModuleAssembly, Simulat.
```



#### **Build Simscape Model of ModuleAssembly Object**

After you create your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the ModuleAssembly object, use the buildBattery function. To create a script where you can individually define the inter-cell thermal resistance parameters for each thermal connection, as well as all other parameters within your battery, set the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function to "VariableNames".

```
buildBattery(batteryModuleAssembly,"LibraryName","multiModuleCoolingPlate", ...
"MaskParameters","VariableNames" ,...
"MaskInitialTargets","VariableNames");
```

This function creates the multiModuleCoolingPlate\_lib and multiModuleCoolingPlate SLX library files in your working folder. The multiModuleCoolingPlate\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the multiModuleCoolingPlate\_lib SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The multiModuleCoolingPlate library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly object.




# See Also

Battery Builder | Parallel Channels

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7
- "Connect Cooling Plate to Battery Blocks" on page 3-2

# Analyze Battery Spatial Temperature Variation During Fast Charge

This example shows how the temperature gradient over the cell surface varies during the fast charging of a battery. Fast charging is one of the key enablers for the adoption of battery electric vehicles. Fast charging pushes a considerable amount of current inside the battery. This process produces a lot of heat. It is important to understand how temperatures spatially vary in a battery and how this affects its long term warranty. Typically, to ensure a good battery life with uniform degradation, the temperature gradient over the cell surface should not exceed around five or six degrees centigrade. This example uses Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> to model the cell electrical dynamics and the PDE Toolbox<sup>™</sup> to generate the reduced order model (ROM) that describes the battery 3-D thermal model. This example uses a 50Ahr battery (Valance:U27\_36XP) and charges it for 10 minutes from an initial state of charge (SOC) of 15%. Then, the example analyzes the maximum gradient in the cell temperature.

## **Build Battery Model**

To achieve optimum life and safety, the batteries on an electric vehicle are maintained between 20 and 35 degree C. To avoid non-uniform degradation, you must maintain the gradient of temperature over the cell surface as low as possible. Non-uniform degradation leads to batteries fading faster than the manufacturer's specifications.



## **Pre-parameterize the Battery**

This figure shows how to parameterize the Battery (Table-Based) block with the available preparameterizations. For a full list of the preparameterized components in the Battery (Table-Based) block of Simscape Battery, see "Predefined Parameterization".

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In this example, a Valance:U27\_36XP battery is selected from the pre-parameterized Battery (Table-Based) block inside the Simscape Battery library. The Valance:U27\_36XP battery measures 306mm in length, 172mm in width, and 205mm in height. The positive and the negative terminals are hexagonal ports at the top of the battery casing. In this example, the enclosure thickness (3 mm) and the tab dimensions have been assumed as there was not enough data available.

#### Model Battery Thermal Behavior with PDE Toolbox™

A ROM from the PDE Toolbox spatially models the battery thermal behavior.



# Battery Model (in this example)

To build a 3-D model of the battery for simulation, run the sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape MLX file, that uses PDE toolbox to generate a ROM from a detailed 3-D representation. The sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape MLX file contains parameters to define the battery size and specify the initial conditions and the boundary conditions. All battery boundaries are adiabatic, except for the bottom surface. The bottom surface uses a function to declare thermal-resistance-based settings for the boundary.

The battery is divided into a jelly roll section, cell tabs, and the outer enclosure. The sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape MLX file defines the set of thermal properties for each of these battery regions. Each region has its own separate heat generation definition. The electrical losses are computed using the Simscape Battery (Table-Based) library component block. The battery electrochemical losses from the pre-parameterized battery block are the input heat source to the jelly roll section. The tab heat source is computed based on its resistance, the current flowing through the battery, and the weld resistance defined at the junctions. The enclosure does not have any heat generation. A custom component incorporates the battery thermal model in Simscape. To generate a ROM that you can export to Simscape, run the sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape MLX file. This example uses a pre-generated ROM stored inside the sscv BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation rom MAT file.

load('sscv\_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation\_rom.mat');

To update or run the ROM, at the MATLAB Command Window, run:

edit sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape.mlx

The pde\_rom workspace variable comprises all data related to the ROM from the PDE Toolbox that defines the cell thermal model. The prop structure of the pde\_rom variable defines all the physical parameters for the battery:

#### pde\_rom.prop

```
ans = struct with fields:
         initialTemperature: 300
              cellTab weldR: 7.5000e-04
            coolingArea sqm: 0.0526
              cell width mm: 306
          cell_thickness_mm: 172
             cell_height_mm: 225
   cellCasing thickness mm: 5
          cellTab height mm: 8
          cellTab_radius_mm: 9
                     volume: [1x1 struct]
            cellThermalCond: [1x1 struct]
             tabThermalCond: 386
          casingThermalCond: 50
        thermalConductivity: [1x1 struct]
                    density: [1x1 struct]
                     spHeat: [1x1 struct]
            cellThermalMass: 7.3314e+03
```

The density, spHeat, thmCond, and volume fields of this structure contain details on the material density, specific heat, thermal conductivity, and the volume of different battery sections (jelly roll, enclosure, tabs). The cell thermal conductivities [W/m.K] in the in-plane and through-plane directions are:

#### pde\_rom.prop.cellThermalCond

The pde\_rom.prop.thmCond.Jelly parameter sets the directionality for the battery thermal conductivity. The battery bottom cooling area is:

pde\_rom.prop.coolingArea\_sqm

ans = 0.0526

To visualize the battery, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
run('sscv_plotBatteryCellGeometry')
```



The red marks in the figure indicates that the battery has three thermocouples attached at the top. To add and define more thermocouples at any location, use the sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape.m file.

If you change the battery dimensions or thermal properties, you must regenerate the ROM. To regenerate the ROM, run the sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape.m file with the updated battery parameters. To edit any parameter, open the sscv\_setupROMmodelForSimscape.m file and apply your changes. A Simscape custom component exports the thermal model defined in pde\_rom. The matrices in pde\_rom are parameters for the Simscape custom component and are used to solve the energy equation in the battery.

#### **Implement Battery Electrical and Thermal Models**

This figure shows how the battery electrical and thermal models are integrated in the larger circuit system in Simscape.



h sscv\_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation 🕨 🖎 Battery 🕨

This figure shows the battery electrical and thermal modelling implementations. The Simscape custom component, 3D\_ThermalModel block, contains the ROM implementation for the battery thermal modelling. The battery electrical model computes the losses for the input nodes (**Qcell**, **Qtabp**, **Qtabn**) of the thermal model.

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The battery subsystem is ready for integration inside any circuit. After the simulation, you can reconstruct back the 3-D thermal solution from the custom component outputs. The coolant control, based on the Battery Coolant Control block from Simscape Battery, switches the flow on and off based on the cell temperature.



#### Simulate for Fast Charge

The battery connects to a Charger block that feeds in the charging current into the circuit. A time varying load is connected in parallel to the battery to account for auxiliary power requirements from the coolant pump, chiller and heater. The **Option** parameter in the Thermal Inputs block defines the

battery electrical properties. When you set this parameter to 0, the battery temperature is equal to the average temperature of all PDE node temperatures. When you set this parameter to any value greater than one, the temperature is equal to the temperature measured from a thermocouple with the index or number you specified in the **Option** parameter. This is important as the thermocouples are placed on the battery surface and the core temperature might differ from the thermocouple location.

Set a simulation time of 10 minutes for a fast charge.

totalSimulationTime=600;

Set the initial conditions.

```
initialStateOfCharge=0.15;
coolantTemperature K=300;
```

Define the heat removal rate due to cooling system design and the coolant flow.

coolantThermalR=15; % W/K

Set the maximum charge rate (C rate) as a function of the cell temperature.

cellMaxCurrVec\_T=[263 273 283 293 303 313]; % Temperature cellMaxCurrVec\_C=[0.5 0.75 1.0 1.5 1.9 2.2];% C rate

Set the coolant pump power loss to a constant value of 50W.

lossAuxPowSources\_W=50;

Set the chiller or heater losses as a function of the coolant temperature difference with the ambient.

chillerHeaterLosses\_dT=[0 20 30 40 50]; % |Tcoolant~Tambient| chillerHeaterLosses\_W=[0 5 10 15 20]; % W

Run the simulation.

```
sim('sscv_BattSpatialTempVar.slx')
pde_results.pde_T_values=squeeze(...
    logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("Tn").Values.Data);
```

#### Simulation Results

Plot the charge current with time.



Plot the temperature measured at probe locations.

```
plot(logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("Tp").Values.Time/60, ...
squeeze(logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("Tp").Values.Data)');
xlabel('Time (min)');ylabel('Temperature (K)');
title('Thermocouple Measurements');
```



Plot the maximum temperature gradient in the battery based on all the nodal temperatures in detailed 3-D solution.

```
plot(logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("dT").Values.Time/60, ...
squeeze(logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("dT").Values.Data)');
xlabel('Time (min)');ylabel('Temperature difference (K)');
title('Maximum Temperature Gradient');
```



Visualize the temperature distribution in the battery cell using the **Visualize PDE Results** Live Editor task.

First, construct the full PDE solution using the ROM degrees-of-freedom, modal temperatures, and time data from simulation.

```
modalTemperature = squeeze(Tmodal.Data);
timeMinute = logsout_BatteryCellSpatialTempVariation.find("dT").Values.Time/60;
```

Use ROM object in pde\_rom and call the reconstructSolution method to obtain a transient thermal results object.

Rtransient = pde\_rom.rom.reconstructSolution(modalTemperature,timeMinute);

On the **Live Editor** tab, select **Task > Visualize PDE Results** to insert the task. In the **Select results** section of the task, select Rtransient from the drop-down list.

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meshData = Rtransient.Mesh; nodalData = Rtransient.Temperature(:,601);

```
% Create PDE result visualization
resultViz = pdeviz(meshData,nodalData, ...
"Title","Temperature", ...
"ColorLimits",[300 313.1], ...
"Transparency",0.55);
```



```
% Clear temporary variables
clearvars meshData nodalData
```

The maximum temperature gradient during the 10 minute charge process is equal to around 5 degrees, which is reasonable. Higher temperature gradients might lead to the redesign of the cooling system or change in the fast charge profile to limit the non-uniformity in cell degradation with time.

## See Also

Battery (Table-Based) | Battery Coolant Control

# Get Started with Battery Builder App

This example shows how to use the Battery Builder app to interactively create a battery pack with thermal effects and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> model that you can use as a starting point for your simulations.

Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace.

#### **Hierarchy of Battery Pack**

To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack. After you create your battery pack according to your specifications, you can build it to generate a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of this battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations.





Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

## **Open Battery Builder App**

Open the Battery Builder app.

#### batteryBuilder;

The app automatically loads some example objects that you can explore to immediately gain some visual insight into the app functionalities. You can view the properties of these objects but you cannot modify them.

The Battery Builder app comprises six main components divided into four panels and two tabs.



- **Battery Browser** Battery objects in the current active session of the app. This panels displays all the objects that you create or import inside the app.To edit the properties of an object or to visualize its hierarchy or 3-D plot, you must first select it from this panel.
- **Battery Hierarchy** Hierarchy of the selected battery object. This panel displays all the subcomponents of the object. Selecting any object in this panel shows its 3-D chart and properties in the respective panels.
- **Selected Battery** 3-D visualization of the selected battery object. To modify the visualization settings of this panel, use the options in the **Battery Chart** tab.
- **Battery Properties** Properties of the selected battery object. This panel displays all the readonly and editable properties of the object. Each battery object comprises its own properties.
- **Battery Buider** Tab that comprises the main functionalities of the app. Use the buttons in this tab to import, create, delete, duplicate, export, and build battery objects.
- **Battery Chart** Tab that comprises the display options of the 3-D battery chart. In this tab, you can edit properties such as axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object.

#### **Create Cell**

To create the Pack object, first create a Cell object with the pouch geometry. An electrochemical battery cell is the fundamental building block in the manufacturing process of larger battery systems. To obtain the required energy and voltage levels, multiple battery cells are typically connected electrically in parallel and/or in series. To meet the battery packaging and space requirements, you can arrange the battery cells in many different topologies or geometrical configurations.

To mirror real-world behavior, the Simscape Battery<sup>™</sup> Cell object is the foundational element for the creation of a battery pack system model. To create a Cell object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Create** section of the toolstrip, select Cell.

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FILE CREATE BROWSER	EXPORT LIBRARY	✓ Module
		ExampleModule
		<ul> <li>Module Assembly</li> </ul>
		ExampleModuleAssembly
		- Pack
		ExamplePack

The **Battery Browser** panel on the left now contains the Cell object.

To get started, you must first define a pouch geometry for this cell:

- 1 Select the NewCell object in the left **Battery Browser** panel of the app. Now the **Properties** panel on the right of the app displays all its properties.
- 2 In the right **Cell Properties** panel, in the **Geometry** section, set the **Geometry** property to Pouch.

Cell Properties	O
Read-Only Properties	
✓Identifier	
Name	NewCell
▼ Geometry	
Position	x 0 y 0 z 0
StackingAxis	Y •
Geometry	None 🔻
	Cylindrical
	Pouch
	Prismatic K
Select the Cylindrical, Pouch	None
sta	rted.

With this action, you create a **PouchGeometry** object and link it to your **Cell** object. The **Geometry** section of the **Cell Properties** panel now displays properties related to the pouch geometry.

For this example, you create a pouch cell with a height of 0.1 m, a length of 0.3 m, and opposed tabs. In the **Cell Properties** panel, under the **Geometry** section, edit the Length, Height, and TabLocation properties accordingly.

Cell Properties	0
▶ Read-Only Properties ▼Identifier	
Name	NewCell
▼ Geometry	
Position	x 0 y 0 z 0
StackingAxis	(Y •
Geometry	Pouch
Length	0.3
Thickness	0.01
Height	0.1
TabLocation	Opposed 💌
TabWidth	0.04
TabHeight	0.03

You can also simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the **Cell Properties** panel, under the **Cell Model Options** section, set the thermal\_port property to model and the T\_dependence property to yes. You can define the thermal boundary conditions for battery objects only if you define a thermal model at the cell level.

Finally, to apply your changes, click **Apply**.

Cell Properties	O
<ul> <li>Read-Only Properties</li> <li>Identifier</li> <li>Geometry</li> <li>Cell Properties</li> <li>Parameterization</li> <li>Cell Model Options</li> </ul>	
CellModelBlockPath	batt_lib/Cells/Battery(Table-Based)
T_dependence	yes 💌
prm_age_OCV	OCV 🔻
prm_age_capacity	disabled 💌
prm_age_modeling	equation •
prm_age_resistance	disabled •
prm_dir	noCurrentDirectionality
prm_dyn	off 🔹
prm_fade	disabled 💌
prm_leak	disabled 💌
thermal_port	model
	Apply

The **Selected Battery** panel now shows a 3-D visualization of your pouch cell.



## **Create Parallel Assembly**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Create** section of the toolstrip, select **Parallel Assembly**.

Cell Cell Module Assembly Duplicate	BATTERY B	BUILDER	BATTERY CHART			
Import Delete Export Creat	Import	Cell	아 Module Assembly el Assembly 다 Pack	Duplicate	Export	⊘ Create
Create a new parallel assembly	- C	代 Modu	le Create a new parallel assem	bly	•	Library

You must now link the Cell object to this parallel assembly. In this example, the parallel assembly comprises three pouch cells.

1 In the **Parallel Assembly Properties** panel, under the **ParallelAssembly Properties** section, click the **Select...** button of the Cell property.

- 2 In the new window that appears, select the NewCell object and click OK.
- 3 In the **Parallel Assembly Properties** panel, under the **Parallel Assembly Properties** section, set the NumParallelCells property to 3.
- 4 Click Apply to apply your changes.

Parallel Assembly Properties	0
▶ Read-Only Properties	
✓Identifier	
Name	NewParallelAssembly
▶ Geometry	
▼ Parallel Assembly Propertie	es
Cell	Cell1
	Select
NumParallelCells	3
Topology	None
Rows	1
InterCellGap	0.001
MassFactor	1
Model Options	
Thermal Model Options	
	Apply

The NewCell object is now a subcomponent (or child component) of this parallel assembly. After you apply your changes, you can view the hierarchy of the ParallelAssembly object in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel.

The Selected Battery panel now shows a 3-D visualization of your parallel assembly.



## **Create Module**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series.

To create the Module object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Create** section of the toolstrip, select **Module**.



You must now link the ParallelAssembly object to this module:

1 In the **Module Properties** panel, under the **Module Properties** section, click the **Select...** button of the ParallelAssembly property.

- Module Properties Battery Builder: Select Parallel Assembly Х ▶ Read-Only Properties Select a parallel assembly: Identifier ExampleParallelAssembly ▶ Geometry NewParallelAssembly Module Properties 0K Cancel ParallelAssembly ParallelAssembly1 Select. NumSeriesAss Assign a parallel assembly to the module
- 2 In the new window that appears, select the NewParallelAssembly object and click OK.

The NewParallelAssembly object is now a subcomponent (or child component) of this module. After you apply your changes, you can view the hierarchy of the Module object in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel.

In this example, the module comprises 14 parallel assemblies with a gap of 0.005 m between each assembly. In the **Module Properties** panel, under the **Module Properties** section, set the NumSeriesAssemblies property to 14 and the InterParallelAssemblyGap property to 0.005.

Finally, to apply your changes, click **Apply**.

Module Properties	O				
<ul> <li>Read-Only Properties</li> <li>Identifier</li> <li>Geometry</li> </ul>					
- Module Properties					
ParallelAssembly	NewParallelAssembly				
	Select				
NumSeriesAssemblies	14				
InterParallelAssemblyGap	0.005				
MassFactor	1				
▶ Model Options					
Thermal Model Options					
	Apply				

The **Selected Battery** panel now shows a 3-D visualization of your module.



## Create Module Assembly

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, the battery module assembly comprises two identical modules with a gap of 0.1 m between each module. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series

To create the ModuleAssembly object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Create** section of the toolstrip, select **Module Assembly**.

BATTERY	BUILDER	BATTERY CHART				
Import	Cell	에비 Assembly 다 Pack	crea	Duplicate	e assembly	Create Library
FILE		CREATE		BROWSER	EXPORT	LIBRARY

You must now link the Module object to this module assembly:

- 1 In the **Module Assembly Properties** panel, under the **Module Assembly Properties** section, click the **Select...** button of the Module property.
- 2 In the new window that appears, create a module assembly that comprises two identical modules by selecting the NewModule object and clicking Add twice.

Module Assembly Properties	🖪 Battery Builder: Select Modules
Read-Only Properties	Select a module or modules
▶ Identifier	
Geometry	ExampleModule   Add  NewModule
<ul> <li>Module Assembly Properties</li> </ul>	NewModule NewModule
Module1	Add selection to the list
Module	
Select	
InterModuleGap Assign modules to the module assembly	OK

Two NewModule objects are now subcomponents of this module assembly. After you apply your changes, you can view the hierarchy of the ModuleAssembly object in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel.

Now specify the gap between modules. In the **Module Assembly Properties** panel, under the **Module Assembly Properties** section, set the InterModuleGap property to 0.1.

Finally, to apply your changes, click **Apply**.

Module Assembly Properties	O
<ul> <li>Read-Only Properties</li> <li>Identifier</li> <li>Geometry</li> <li>Module Assembly Properties</li> </ul>	5
Module	NewModule NewModule
	Select
InterModuleGap	0.1
NumLevels	1
MassFactor	1
Model Options	
Thermal Model Options	
-	Annh
<u> </u>	Арріу

The **Selected Battery** panel now shows a 3-D visualization of your module assembly.

## **4** Examples



## **Create Pack**

You now have all the foundational elements required to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of five identical module assemblies with a gap of 0.01 m between each module assembly.

To create the Pack object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Create** section of the toolstrip, select **Pack**.

BATTERY	BUILDER	BATTERY CHART				
Import	Cell	Hel Assembly 🕂 Pac	k	Duplicate	Export	Create Library
FILE		CREATE	Create a ne	W PACK	EXPORT	LIBRARY

You must now link the ModuleAssembly object to this pack:

- 1 In the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Pack Properties** section, click the **Select...** button of the ModuleAssembly property.
- 2 In the new window that appears, create a pack that comprises five identical module assemblies by selecting the NewModuleAssembly object and clicking Add five times.

Pack Properties	0	Battery Builder: Select Module Assemblies	- 0
<ul> <li>Read-Only Properties</li> <li>Identifier</li> </ul>		Select a module assembly or assemblies:	
▶ Geometry <del>▼</del> Pack Properties		ExampleModuleAssembly NewModuleAssembly NewNoduleAssembly NewNodul	
ModuleAssembly	ModuleAssembly1	Add selection to the list jemply embly NewModuleAssembly	Move D
	Select		Delete
InterModuleAssem Assign	module assemblies to the pack	ОК	Cancel

Five NewModuleAssembly objects are now subcomponents of this pack. After you apply your changes, you can view the hierarchy of the Pack object in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel.

Now specify the gap between module assemblies. In the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Module Assembly Properties** section, set the InterModuleAssemblyGap property to 0.01.

Finally, to apply your changes, click **Apply**.

Pack Properties		0
<ul> <li>Read-Only Properties</li> <li>Identifier</li> <li>Geometry</li> <li>Pack Properties</li> </ul>		
ModuleAssembly	NewModuleAssembly NewModuleAssembly NewModuleAssembly NewModuleAssembly Select	•
		-
InterModuleAssemblyGap	0.	01
MassFactor		1
Model Options		
Thermal Model Options		
	Apply	

The **Selected Battery** panel now shows a 3-D visualization of your pack.



## **Define Thermal Boundary Conditions**

For your Pack object, you can define the thermal paths to the ambient air, the coolant, and the location of the cooling plate by specifying the **AmbientThermalPath**, **CoolantThermalPath**, and **CoolingPlate** properties, respectively.

## **Define Ambient Thermal Path**

To define a thermal path to ambient air, in the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Thermal Model Options** section, set the AmbientThermalPath property to CellBasedThermalResistance. The value you set automatically propagates to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Pack object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your Battery Builder app session.

Pack Properties	0
Read-Only Properties	
▶ Identifier	
▶ Geometry	
Pack Properties	
Model Options	
<ul> <li>Thermal Model Options</li> </ul>	
InterCellThermalPath	
InterCellRadiativeThermalPath	
CoolantThermalPath	None 🔻
CoolingPlate	Тор
[	Bottom
CoolingPlateBlockPath	None 🔻
AmbientThermalPath	CellBasedThermalResistance

This command adds and connects a Thermal Resistor block to every thermal port in a cell model. The other thermal ports from all the resistors connect to a single thermal node. You can then connect this thermal node to a constant temperature source or other blocks in the Simscape libraries.

## **Define Coolant Thermal Path**

To define a thermal path from cells to the coolant, in the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Thermal Model Options** section, set the CoolantThermalPath property to CellBasedThermalResistance. The value you set automatically propagates to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Pack object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your Battery Builder app session.

Pack Properties		0	
Read-Only Properties			
▶ Identifier			
▶ Geometry			
Pack Properties			
Model Options		:	
<ul> <li>Thermal Model Options</li> </ul>			
InterCellThermalPath			
InterCellRadiativeThermalPath			
CoolantThermalPath	CellBasedThermalResistance	•	
CoolingPlate	Тор	_	
	Bottom		
CoolingPlateBlockPath	None	•	
AmbientThermalPath	CellBasedThermalResistance	•	

This command adds and connects one Thermal Resistor block to every thermal port in a cell model. The other thermal ports from all the resistors connect to a single thermal node. You can then connect this thermal node to a constant temperature source or other blocks in the Simscape libraries. You can individually parameterize each thermal resistance with a different value. You can use the Thermal Resistor block to model the conduction resistance relative to the cell, the thermal interface materials, and other materials along the path to the coolant.

If you define a cooling system, such as a cooling plate for the battery module, the software connects the other thermal port of the Thermal Resistor block to an array of thermal nodes connector.

#### **Define Cooling Plate Location**

To define the location of the cooling plate on your battery pack, in the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Thermal Model Options** section, set the CoolingPlate property to Top or Bottom. Alternatively, specify both options at the same time. You can also specify which cooling plate block to assign to the Pack object at the boundary that the CoolingPlate property defines. Set the CoolingPlateBlockPath property to batt\_lib/Thermal/Edge Cooling to automatically assign the Edge Cooling block when you build the Simscape model.

The value of this property automatically propagates to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Pack object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your Battery Builder app session.

Pack Properties	0
▶ Read-Only Properties	
▶ Identifier	
▶ Geometry	
Pack Properties	
Model Options	
Thermal Model Options	
InterCellThermalPath	
InterCellRadiativeThermalPath	
CoolantThermalPath	CellBasedThermalResistance <ul> <li>Image: CellBasedThermalResistance</li> </ul>
CoolingPlate	🗹 Тор
	Bottom
CoolingPlateBlockPath	batt_lib/Thermal/Edge Cooling
AmbientThermalPath	CellBasedThermalResistance

This command connects each thermal node of each cell model in your battery pack to a corresponding element inside an array of thermal nodes connector.

## View Model Resolution of Battery Pack

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery (Table-Based) blocks that the pack simulation uses, in the **Pack Properties** panel, under the **Read-Only Properties** section, view the NumModels property.

Ρ	ack Properties		0
- Read-Only Properties			
	Туре	Pack	
I	NumModels	10	
	CumulativeMass	42 kg	
	PackagingVolume	0.19797 m <sup>3</sup>	
	CumulativeCellCapacity	15 A•h	
	CumulativeCellEnergy	21000 W•h	

To view the model resolution of the pack, under the **Battery Chart** tab, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

BATTERY BUILDER BATTERY CHART					
X-Label x: Forward direction Y-Label y: Lateral direction Z-Label z: Vertical direction	Title NewPack (Pack)	X-Direction reverse  Visible V-Direction normal Z-Direction normal	✓ Visible     Line Style     : ▼       Color     Line Width     1.50 ♦	Visible X-Position -1 Color Y-Position -1 Style - Z-Position 1	Export Chart
ANNO	TATIONS	AXES	SIMULATION STRATEGY	LIGHT	EXPORT

The 3-D plot in the **Selected Battery** panel now shows the simulation strategy for the **Pack** object. The pack uses one electrical model for each of its modules.



#### **Build Simscape Model for Battery Pack Object**

After you create your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as a reference for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Pack object you create in this example, in the **Battery Browser** panel, select the NewPack object. Then, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, select **Create Library**.

BATTERY BUILDER	BATTERY CHART				
Import	I Assembly 🛟 e	Module Assembly Pack	Duplicate	Export	Create Library
<ul> <li>Battery Browser</li> </ul>	CREATE		BROWSER	EXPORT	
NewCell					•
<ul> <li>Parallel Assembly</li> </ul>	¥.				
ExampleParalle	elAssembly				
NewParallelAss	sembly				
✓ Module					
ExampleModule	ExampleModule				
NewModule					
<ul> <li>Module Assembly</li> </ul>					
ExampleModuleAssembly					
NewModuleAssembly					
✓ Pack					
ExamplePack					
NewPack					-

In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether you want to generate scripts with all the run-time parameters and initial conditions required for simulation.
🛋 Battery Builder: Create Battery Library			-		×
Build Options					
Battery	NewPack (Pack)				
Directory	C:\work			🔁 Brow	se
Library Name	Batteries				
Mask Parameters	NumericValues	,	•		
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues	,	•		
		Create Library		Cance	I

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks.



To programmatically build a more detailed model of a battery pack, see "Build Detailed Model of Battery Pack From Pouch Cells" on page 4-148.

**See Also** Battery Builder

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Battery Cell Characterization for Electric Vehicles**

This example uses the test method defined in [1 on page 4-68] to characterize a battery cell for electric vehicle applications. First you generate a high pulse power characterization (HPPC) by using Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> blocks and an in-built function to derive the battery cell parameters. Then you compare the model to the original battery model under typical drive-profile loading conditions.

#### **Battery HPPC Test Data**

A typical HPPC data is a set of discharge-charge pulses, applied to a battery at different state of charge (SOC) and at a given temperature. Typically, the test equipment is fully charged to undergo these pulse tests. At the end of every sequence, the SOC is discharged by a third of the C-rate. A long rest time of one hour is recommended for the cells to relax after every sequence of discharge-charge pulses. This process continues until it covers all points of interest in the SOC range.

This figure shows a typical discharge-charge profile. For more information, see [1 on page 4-68].



#### **Parameter Estimation Method**

The Battery (Table-Based) block in Simscape Battery uses the equivalent circuit modelling approach. You can capture different physical phenomena of a cell by connecting multiple RC pairs in series. In Battery (Table-Based) block, you can select up to five RC pairs. You can derive the value of the resistance and time constant parameters from the HPPC test data.

The voltage response of a battery cell is equal to:

$$V = V_0 - I \times R_o - I \times \left(\sum R_i \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_i}\right)\right)\right),$$

where

- *V*<sup>0</sup> is the cell open circuit potential.
- $R_o$  is the cell ohmic resistance.
- $R_i$  and  $\tau_i$  are the cell *i*-th RC pair resistance and time constant values.
- *I* is the current passing through the cell.

All parameters are a function of the SOC and cell temperature. Since HPPC tests are typically performed at constant temperatures, you can ignore the temperature dependence in the parameter estimation. The ohmic resistance is estimated from the sudden voltage change during discharge or charge pulses (V1 to V2 or V5 to V6, in the figure above). The RC pairs are fit based on voltage relaxation profile just after the discharge or charge pulses.

The ParameterEstimationLUTbattery function estimates the battery parameters and:

- **1** Takes the HPPC profile over entire SOC range as input.
- 2 Determines all the pulse location and the points V1 V9 in the above figure.
- **3** Calculates the ohmic resistance value.
- 4 Fits the RC parameters by using either MATLAB fminsearch or the Curve Fitting Toolbox<sup>™</sup> (fminsearch or curvefit).
- **5** Calculates the cell open circuit potential (point V1, at a given SOC point, in the figure above).
- **6** Outputs all parameters to a workspace variable.

#### **Generate Synthetic Test Data**

Run the CellCharacterizationHPPC SLX file to generate the current and voltage data for the selected cell.



The HPPC Profile MATLAB function defines the discharge-charge protocols and the test method.

```
hppcSim = sim('CellCharacterizationHPPC.slx');
```

The hppcSim workspace variable contains the current and voltage data for the HPPC profile used for battery cell parameter estimation.

#### **Fit Parameters to Test Data**

Load the HPPC data and plot the voltage and current values.

```
hppcTest = hppcSim.batteryHPPC_profile.extractTimetable;
time = seconds(hppcTest.Time);
current = hppcTest.current;
voltage = hppcTest.voltage;
figure('Name','HPPC data - current pulses')
plot(time,current);
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Current (A)')
```



Define the cell capacity (Ahr) as during the HPPC tests and the initial SOC (0-1).

cellCapacity = 27; cellInitialSOC = 1; cell\_prop = [cellCapacity; cellInitialSOC];

Define the pulse current magnitudes, in Amperes.

maxDischargeCurr = 81; maxChargeCurr = 61; constCurrSweepSOC = 9;

The ParameterEstimationLUTbattery function detects a pulse (sudden change in current) based on the value you specify for the toleranceVal variable. If the function detects a sudden change in discharge current, it compares this discharge current to the value of the maxDischargeCurr variable. If their difference is within the value of the toleranceVal variable, the function identifies the pulse. This process also applies to the detection of the charge pulse (maxChargeCurr) and the SOC sweep (constCurrSweepSOC).

toleranceVal = 1; hppc\_protocol = [maxDischargeCurr;... maxChargeCurr;... constCurrSweepSOC;... toleranceVal];

Define the number of RC pairs to consider and the initial guess for resistance and the time constant values.

```
numRCpairs
                = 1:
initialGuess_RC = [1e-3 20]; % [R1, Tau1, R2, Tau2 ....]
result=batt_BatteryCellCharacterization.ParameterEstimationLUTbattery(...
                                     [time, current, voltage],...
                                     cell_prop,...
                                     hppc_protocol,...
                                     numRCpairs,...
                                     initialGuess_RC,...
                                     "fminsearch");
Read input data
*** Number of discharge pulses =20
*** Number of charge pulses
                             =20
*** Number of SOC sweep pulses =19
Extracted pulse data from input data
Calculated ohmic resistance
*** Calculated RC parameters for discharge
*** Calculated RC parameters for charge
*** Calculated rmse for the fit
Calculated RC parameters
Completed OCV data extraction
% To use curvefit toolbox for data fit, type "curvefit"
% instead of "fminsearch". The curvefit function requires
% the Curve Fitting Toolbox license.
```

To check if the function identified the correct pulses, at a MATLAB Command Window, enter:

plotAndVerifyPulseData(result);



To verify the fit, at a MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
fitDataEverySOCval = 0.001;
fitDataForSOCpts = 0:fitDataEverySOCval:1;
verifyDataFit(result,fitDataEverySOCval,1);
```



To save the parameters, enter:

cellParameters = exportResultsForLib(result,...
fitDataForS0Cpts);







To save the generated parameters in a file, at the MATLAB Command Window, run:

save batt\_BatteryCellCharacterizationResults.mat cellParameters

This example uses parameters stored in batt\_BatteryCellCharacterizationResults MAT file to verify the accuracy of the fit. If the estimated parameters do not look reasonable, try fitting them with more RC pairs or try a different initial guess.

#### **Verify Parameters with Drive Profiles**

A large battery pack for electric vehicle (EV) uses the battery cell that you just parameterized. The CellCharacterizationVerify.slx model uses a drive profile to compare the parameterized cell against the original cell.



A typical load profile for a large battery pack (EV) is:

```
driveProfile = load('batt_BatteryCellCharacterizationForBEV_Ivst.mat');
maxCurrentPack = max(driveProfile.ans.Data)
maxCurrentPack = 89.5372
minCurrentPack = min(driveProfile.ans.Data)
minCurrentPack = -55.2423
figure('Name','Drive profile');
plot(driveProfile.ans.Time,driveProfile.ans.Data)
title('Drive profile data')
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Current (A)');
```



To limit the cell maximum C-rate to a value of 1.5, the pack requires three cells in parallel. The Np block in the CellCharacterizationVerify SLX file specifies the number of parallel cells. The Computed Cell block in the SLX file simulates the parameterized cell. The number of RC pairs you use in this script must be equal to the value you specified for the Charge Dynamics in the Computed Cell block.

Run the CellCharacterizationVerify SLX file to compare the original and the parameterized cells.

```
verifyRes = sim('CellCharacterizationVerify.slx');
resDriveProfile = verifyRes.CellCharacterization_DriveProfile.extractTimetable;
figure('Name','Error in voltage prediction');
plot(resDriveProfile.Time,resDriveProfile.V_err*1000);
title('Voltage Error (mV) Between Original and Parameterized Cell')
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Voltage Error (mV)');
```



```
figure('Name','Voltage profile for original and parameterized cell');
plot(resDriveProfile.Time,resDriveProfile.V);
title('Voltage (V) for Original and Parameterized Cell')
xlabel('Time (s)');
ylabel('Voltage (V)');
legend('Original Cell', 'Parameterized Cell')
```



If the error is not within acceptable limits, try with a different initial guess, a different number of RC pairs, or by using a different fitting method (fminsearch, Curve Fitting Toolbox).

If you want to characterize the battery at multiple temperatures, use this workflow to fit the parameters at each individual temperature and then combine them inside the temperature dependent block.

#### Reference

1 Christophersen, Jon P. Battery Test Manual For Electric Vehicles, Revision 3. United States: N. p., 2015. Web. doi:10.2172/1186745

## See Also

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Battery (Table-Based)

### **Related Examples**

"Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

# **Build Model of Hybrid-Cell Battery Pack**

This example shows how to build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a hybrid-cell battery pack with two sets of cell run-time parameters. The generated battery pack model contains two types of battery modules, each with different battery cell components inside. Use this example to analyze the performance effects of combining different battery cells within a single battery system, such as power capability versus range.

To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack, and then use the buildBattery function. The buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery pack that you can use as reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery opencircuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function. If you specify the MaskParameters argument, the function also generates a parameterization script that helps you managing the run-time parameters of the different modules and cells inside the pack.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### **Create Battery Pack Object in MATLAB**

To create a battery pack, you must first design and create the foundational elements of the battery pack.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

#### **Create Cell Objects**

To create the battery Module object, first create a Cell object of prismatic format.

```
prismaticgeometry = PrismaticGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.2,"m"),...
Length = simscape.Value(0.35,"m"), Thickness = simscape.Value(0.07,"m"));
```

The PrismaticGeometry object allows you to define the pouch geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height, length, and thickness of the cell by setting the Height, Length, and Thickness properties of the PrismaticGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PouchGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this PrismaticGeometry object to create a prismatic battery cell and assign its name.

```
batterycell1 = Cell(Geometry = prismaticgeometry)
```

```
batterycell1 =
   Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PrismaticGeometry]
   CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
        Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Capacity: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Energy: [1×1 simscape.Value]
```

Show all properties

batterycell1.Name = "CellChemistryType1";

To create a Module object with a different set of cell parameters, create a Cell object of prismatic format and change its name.

```
batterycell2 = Cell(Geometry = prismaticgeometry)
```

```
batterycell2 =
  Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PrismaticGeometry]
        CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
            Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
            Capacity: [1×1 simscape.Value]
            Energy: [1×1 simscape.Value]
            Show all properties
```

batterycell2.Name = "CellChemistryType2";

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Objects**

A battery parallel assembly comprise multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create two parallel assemblies of one prismatic cell each.

To create the ParallelAssembly objects, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells property according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly1 = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell1,...
   NumParallelCells = 1)
batteryparallelassembly1 =
 ParallelAssembly with properties:
   NumParallelCells: 1
                Cell: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.Cell]
            Topology: "SingleStack"
                Rows: 1
    ModelResolution: "Lumped"
Show all properties
batteryparallelassembly2 = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell2,...
   NumParallelCells = 1)
batteryparallelassembly2 =
 ParallelAssembly with properties:
   NumParallelCells: 1
                Cell: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.Cell]
            Topology: "SingleStack"
```

```
Rows: 1
ModelResolution: "Lumped"
```

Show all properties

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Objects**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create two battery modules of 4 parallel assemblies each, with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters.

To create the Module object2, use the ParallelAssembly objects you created in the previous step and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies and InterParallelAssemblyGap properties.

```
batterymodule1 = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly1,...
    NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
    InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
   ModelResolution = "Lumped", ...
   StackingAxis="X")
batterymodule1 =
 Module with properties:
   NumSeriesAssemblies: 4
       ParallelAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ParallelAssembly]
        ModelResolution: "Lumped"
         SeriesGrouping: 4
       ParallelGrouping: 1
Show all properties
batterymodule2 = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly2,...
   NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
    InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
   ModelResolution = "Lumped", ...
   StackingAxis="X")
batterymodule2 =
 Module with properties:
   NumSeriesAssemblies: 4
       ParallelAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ParallelAssembly]
       ModelResolution: "Lumped"
         SeriesGrouping: 4
       ParallelGrouping: 1
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### **Create ModuleAssembly Object**

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. The battery module assembly in this example comprises the two modules you created before twice in an

alternating sequence. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module objects you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleGap and NumLevels properties.

```
batterymoduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(Module = [batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule1,batterymodule2,batterymodule2,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodule3,batterymodul
```

For more information, see the ModuleAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your hybrid battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of two module assemblies.

To create the Pack object, use the ModuleAssembly object you created in the previous step.

```
batterypack = Pack(ModuleAssembly = repmat(batterymoduleassembly,1,2),...
StackingAxis="Y");
```

For more information, see the Pack documentation page.

#### Visualize Battery Pack

To visualize the battery pack before you build the system model, use the BatteryChart object. To add default axis labels to the battery plot, use the setDefaultLabels method of the BatteryChart object.

```
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Battery = batterypack);
batterypackchart.setDefaultLabels
```



For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### **Build Simscape Model for Battery Pack Object**

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to be able to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Pack object you created in this example, use the buildBattery function and set the MaskInitialTargets and MaskParameters arguments. The MaskInitialTargets and MaskParameters arguments allow you to choose between default numeric values or variable names for the parameters in each Module and Parallel Assembly block in the generated library. If you set these arguments to "VariableNames", the function generates a script with all the run-time parameters and initial conditions required for simulation.

```
buildBattery(batterypack,"LibraryName","hybridBatteryPack",...
"MaskInitialTargets","VariableNames",...
"MaskParameters","VariableNames");
```

Generating Simulink library 'hybridBatteryPack\_lib' in the current directory '/tmp/tp25cdeelf\_uk Generating MATLAB script 'hybridBatteryPack\_param' in the current directory '/tmp/tp25cdeelf\_uk-

The buildBattery function creates the hybridBatteryPack\_lib and hybridBatteryPack SLX library files in your working directory. The hybridBatteryPack\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the hybridBatteryPack\_lib. SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The hybridBatteryPack library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the hybridBatteryPack\_lib SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

#### MaskParameters and MaskInitialTargets

The MaskInitialTargets and MaskParameters arguments allow you to choose between default numeric values or variable names for the parameters and initial conditions in each Module and Parallel Assembly block in the generated library.

By setting the MaskParameters argument to VariableNames, the buildBattery function generates a hybridBatteryPack\_param M file where you can individually assign all the module and cell parameters, like the resistance, the open circuit voltage, and other parameters, for all the types of battery modules inside your battery pack. If you also set the MaskInitialTargets argument to VariableNames, then the generated M file contains the mask parameter definition at the beginning. By setting the MaskInitialTargets argument to VariableNames, the buildBattery function generates a hybridBatteryPack\_param M file where you can individually assign the initial temperature, state-of-charge, and other conditions, for all your battery modules in your battery pack. If you also set the MaskParameters argument to VariableNames, then the generated M file contains the initial targets definition at the end.

Check the effect of setting the MaskParameters and the MaskInitialTargets arguments to VariableNames. Open the hybridBatteryPack\_lib SLX file and navigate to the ModuleAssembly1 subsystem by double-clicking the Pack1 subsystem. Double-click on the Module1 block to open the **Property Inspector**.



A specific variable name is associated to the values of each parameter in the **Main** section of the Module1 block. You can then easily specify these values inside the hybridBatteryPack\_param M file without having to change them inside the model by opening the **Property Inspector** of each block individually.

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# See Also

**Battery Builder** 

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Protect Battery During Charge and Discharge for Electric Vehicle**

This example shows how to efficiently charge and discharge a battery for an electric vehicle (EV) and handle battery faults. Portable electronics and EV widely use li-ion batteries as power source due to their high-energy density. But li-ion batteries also have safety issues due to extreme conditions such as over-discharge, over-charge, high temperature, and low temperature. These extreme conditions can damage the battery and effect its performance in the long term. In some cases they can cause loss of stability which leads to thermal runaway.

In this example, two circuit breakers connect the positive terminal and the negative terminal of the battery to the load circuit. Two more circuit breakers connect or disconnect the charging or discharging circuits. A basic control strategy operates these circuit breakers to put the battery in charge or discharge mode and to disconnect the battery during fault conditions.

#### **Model Overview**

Open the model batt BatteryManagementSystem.slx

```
clearvars
disp('Start battery plant model simulations workflow');
```

Start battery plant model simulations workflow

# % Open the model

open\_system('batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.slx');



Load parameter files

```
batt_BatteryManagementSystem_param; % Load model parameters
batt_packBTMSExampleLib_param; % Load battery pack parameters
```

Load data for LoadResistance and LoadCurrent for the drive run

load('batt\_BatteryManagementSystem\_Drive.mat');

#### **Battery Module**

The battery comprises a battery pack of 400V, generally used in electric vehicles. Since a single cell cannot provide such voltage or power levels, multiple cells are connected in series and parallel to create the desired battery pack. The battery pack in this example comprises 10 modules, each with 11 series-connected parallel sets (p-sets). Each p-set comprises three cells in series. All modules are connected in series to form a pack of 330 cells.

To create the module used in the battery pack of this example, see the "Build Model of Battery Module with Thermal Effects" on page 4-170 example.



Open the pack subsystem.

```
% Show battery Pack
```

```
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/Pack','force')
```



#### **Mode Control Dashboard**

In an electric vehicle, you can control the charging and discharging operations of the battery.

- To start the car, the key is turned which connects the battery circuit breakers and connects the battery to the system of the car.
- While driving, the battery is in discharge mode.
- When you connect the car to a charger, the battery is in charging mode.

In a car, the discharging and charging modes are mutually exclusive. This example emulates this scenario by implementing a charging control dashboard in the model, called Battery Command. This dashboard comprises a rotary switch for manual operations, an on-off switch for automatic operations, and indication lamps.



Use the rotary switch to choose between the charging and discharging modes manually. The position of the rotary switch affects the battery mode:

- **Off** The battery is disconnected.
- **Bat** The battery is connected.
- **Chg** The battery is charging.
- **Dchg** The battery is discharging.

Use the on-off switch to switch between modes automatically by setting the switch to On and by specifying the BatCmd variable. When the BatCmd variable is equal to:

- **0** The battery is disconnected.
- **1** The battery is connected.
- **2** The battery is charging.
- **3** The battery is discharging.

The indication lamps show which mode the battery is currently operating in. When the lamps are red, the specific mode is off. When the lamps are green, the specific mode is on. The model also contains indication lamps that track fault appearances and a Reset button to reset all the faults to zero for testing purposes. A red lamp indicates the presence of a fault.

#### **Battery Management System**

The battery management system (BMS) manages all the battery operations and keeps it within operational limits. The BMS maintains the current, voltage, and temperature of the pack within safe limits during the charging and discharging operations. In this example, the BMS controls the circuit breakers to protect the battery pack based on the pack sensor data and on estimated parameters such as the state-of charge (SOC) and the discharge and charge current limits. For temperature control, the BMS controls the flow of coolant by using an "On-Off" flow control block.

To open the BMS subsystem, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
% Show battery BMS
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/BMS','force')
```



The BMS in this example comprises four different components: SoC estimation, MinMax Current Limiter, Thermal Management, and Battery Protection Logic.

#### **SoC Estimation**

A battery SOC provides the remaining charge left inside the battery. This value is an estimation based on many different parameters. There are different ways to estimate the SOC of a battery. This example uses an extended Kalman filter estimation strategy.

To open the SoC Estimation subsystem, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
% Show SoC estimator
```

```
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/BMS/SoC Estimation','force')
```



#### **Current Limiter**

The current state of the battery, such as the battery voltage and temperature, defines the overdischarge and over-charge current limits of the battery for protection of the pack. For example, while discharging, if the temperature is high, you must reduce the current that the electric vehicle withdraws from the battery. If the voltage of the battery is low and the vehicle withdraws too much current from the battery, it can cause damage to the cells and must be limited.

To open the Current Limiter subsystem, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
% Show Current limit calculation
```

open\_system('batt\_BatteryManagementSystem/BMS/MinMax Current Limiter','force')



#### **Thermal Control**

For a safe operation of the battery, the battery temperature must be within specified limits. To control the temperature, you must remove the excess heat by using a coolant circuit. The flow of the coolant controls how much heat you can remove from the battery pack. In this example, an on-off control block manages the coolant circuit.

If the temperature is greater than a threshold value, the pump switches on. When the temperature is lower than the lowest threshold value, the pump switches off.

To open the Thermal Management subsystem, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
% Show Thermal management control
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/BMS/Thermal Management','force')
```



#### **Battery Protection Logic**

The battery protection logic is a state-flow logic that takes the battery parameters, sensor data, and user input from the charging control dashboard to generate the signal for the relay operation, state of the battery, and fault analysis of the battery.

To open the Battery Protection Logic subsystem, at the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
% Show protection stateflow
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/BMS/Battery Protection Logic/State Flow' ...
,'force')
```



For fault protection, a counter records the triggering of current and voltage faults. When there are more than five faults, the battery protection logic disconnects the battery from the load until you reset the count. The counter does not record thermal faults. The battery is disconnected at the first thermal fault appearance. While discharging, if the battery SOC is lower than a specific limit, the protection logic disconnects the battery. While charging, if the battery SoC is greater than the upper threshold, the protection logic disconnects the battery from the charging circuit.

This flowchart shows the logic inside Fault Protection stateflow block. The logic follows these steps:

- Battery Request Put the battery in ideal, charge, or discharge mode according to the received input.
- Protection Check if the battery parameter (Current, Voltage and Temperature) crosses the threshold and generate faults.
- Relay Operation Operate the battery, charge, and discharge relays based on the request and fault status.



#### Fault Simulations

Battery faults occur when the battery is put in extreme scenarios.

Open the model batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.slx

```
open_system('batt_BatteryManagementSystem/','force')
```

#### **Fault During Battery Charging**

In charge mode, a battery can experience these faults:

- Overvoltage fault An incompatible device charges the battery beyond its rated voltage.
- Overcurrent fault A current higher than the allowed limit charges the battery.

While charging, as the voltage and temperature of the battery increase, the charging current limit decreases. If the current limit goes below the charging current, a charging fault triggers and the charging circuit is disconnected from the battery for protection. After five fault occurrences, the battery circuit breakers disconnect for the rest of the simulation.

```
batt_BatteryManagementSystem_param; % Load Simulation parameters
ChargerCC_A = 125; % charger max charging current (Ah)
initialPackSOC = 0.5; % Initial SoC of the pack set to low
BatCmdData=timeseries([0;0;1;1;2;2],[0;1.99;2;2.99;3;130], 'Name', 'BatCmdData'); % Battery input
batt_packBTMSExampleLib_param; % Load battery parameters with the new data
sim('batt_BatteryManagementSystem.slx'); % Simulate the model
%% Plot for comparison
% Plot for current
figure
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("CurDisp").Values,'r-');
hold on
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurChgLmt>").Values ,'b-');
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurChgLmt>").Values ,'g-');
hold off;legend('Battery pack current','Chg Cur Lmt','Dchg Cur Lmt');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Current [A]');title('Battery Pack Current');
```



```
%% Plot Voltage
figure
simlog_handles(2) = subplot(3, 1, 2);
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<BatVolt>").Values,'b-');
legend('Battery pack voltage');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Volt [V]');title('Battery Voltage');
```



For higher values of SOC, the cell voltage is closer to the full charge voltage. A high charging current can overcharge the battery or increase the battery voltage too much, which triggers an overvoltage fault. After five fault occurrences, the battery circuit breakers disconnects for rest of the simulation.

```
batt BatteryManagementSystem param; % Load Simulation parameters
MaxVoltLmt = 4.2; % cell max voltage limit
ChargerCC_A = 70; % charger max charging current
initialPackSOC = 0.95; % Initial SoC of the pack set to high
BatCmdData=timeseries([0;0;1;1;2;2],[0;1.99;2;2.99;3;130],'Name','BatCmdData'); % Battery input
batt packBTMSExampleLib param; % Load battery parameters with the new data
sim('batt BatteryManagementSystem.slx'); % Simulate model
%% Plot for comparison
% Plot for current
figure
plot(logsout batt BatteryManagementSystem.get("CurDisp").Values,'r-');
hold on
plot(logsout batt BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurChgLmt>").Values ,'b-');
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurDchgLmt>").Values ,'g-');
hold off;legend('Battery pack current', 'Chg Cur Lmt', 'Dchg Cur Lmt');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Current [A]');title('Battery Pack Current');
```



```
%% Plot Voltage
figure
simlog_handles(2) = subplot(3, 1, 2);
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<BatVolt>").Values,'b-');
legend('Battery pack voltage');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Volt [V]');title('Battery Voltage');
```


### Fault During Battery Discharging

In discharge mode, a battery can experience these faults:

- Undervoltage fault The battery discharges beyond its minimum rated voltage.
- Overcurrent fault A current higher than the allowed limit discharges the battery.

While discharging, as the battery voltage decreases and the battery temperature increases, the discharging current limit decreases. If the current limit goes below the discharging current, a discharging fault triggers. If the cell voltage goes below the minimum voltage limit, a voltage fault triggers. For any of these faults the discharging circuit is disconnected from the battery for protection. After five fault occurrences, the battery circuit breakers disconnect for the rest of the simulation.

```
batt_BatteryManagementSystem_param; % Load Simulation parameters
load('batt_BatteryManagementSystem_Drive.mat') % load drive data
MinVoltLmt=3.2; % battery minimum voltage limit
initialPackSOC = 0.25; % Initial SoC of the pack set to low
BatCmdData=timeseries([0;0;1;1;3;3],[0;1.99;2;2.99;3;130],'Name','BatCmdData'); % Battery input
batt_packBTMSExampleLib_param; % Load battery parameters with the new data
sim('batt_BatteryManagementSystem.slx'); % Simulate model
%% Plot for comparison
% Plot for current
figure
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("CurDisp").Values,'r-');
hold on
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurChgLmt>").Values ,'b-');
```

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plot(logsout\_batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurDchgLmt>").Values ,'g-'); hold off;legend('Battery pack current','Chg Cur Lmt','Dchg Cur Lmt'); xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Current [A]');title('Battery Pack Current');

%% Plot Voltage
figure
simlog\_handles(2) = subplot(3, 1, 2);
plot(logsout\_batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<BatVolt>").Values,'b-');
legend('Battery pack voltage');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Volt [V]');title('Battery Voltage');

60

80

Time (s)

100

120

140



#### **Battery Thermal Fault**

Thermal faults trigger if the battery temperature goes beyond the safe operating range. A simple onoff strategy controls the flow of coolant in the thermal circuit to manage the battery temperature.

To simulate a thermal fault, this example first turns off the coolant control so that the temperature in the battery is unregulated. The initial temperature of the battery is high. A high current charges the battery and brings its temperature to values beyond the safe operating range. This triggers the thermal fault and the battery circuit breakers disconnect for the rest of the simulation.

```
batt BatteryManagementSystem param; % Load Simulation parameters
% Temperature parameter to "switch on" flow for thermal control
CoolantSwitchOnTp = MaxThLmt+5; % switch on temp set to 338.15 K (65 deg C)
\% "Switch on" temperature for coolant flow set five degrees more than the max allowed temperature
initialBattTemp=328.15; % Initial temperature set to high(K) - 55 deg Celcius
ChargerCC A = 75; % charger max charging current
initialPackSOC = 0.5; % Initial SoC of the pack set to low
BatCmdData=timeseries([0;0;1;1;2;2],[0;1.99;2;2.99;3;130],'Name','BatCmdData'); % Battery input
batt_packBTMSExampleLib_param; % Load battery parameters with the new data
sim('batt_BatteryManagementSystem.slx'); % Simulate the model
%% Plot for comparison
% Plot for current
figure
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("CurDisp").Values,'r-');
hold on
plot(logsout batt BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurChgLmt>").Values ,'b-');
plot(logsout_batt_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<CurDchgLmt>").Values ,'g-');
```



hold off;legend('Battery pack current','Chg Cur Lmt','Dchg Cur Lmt'); xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Current [A]');title('Battery Pack Current');

%% Plot Voltage
figure
simlog\_handles(2) = subplot(3, 1, 2);
plot(logsout\_batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<BatVolt>").Values,'b-');
legend('Battery pack voltage');
xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Volt [V]');title('Battery Voltage');



%% Plot for Temp
figure
plot(logsout\_batt\_BatteryManagementSystem.get("<TpMax>").Values,'r-')
legend('Battery pack Temp');xlabel('Time (s)');ylabel('Temp [K]');
title('Battery Temperature')



### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel(R) 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 100 milliseconds.

## See Also

**Battery Builder** 

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Model of Battery Module with Thermal Effects" on page 4-170

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# Peak Shaving with Battery Energy Storage System

This example shows how to model a battery energy storage system (BESS) controller and a battery management system (BMS) with all the necessary functions for the peak shaving. The peak shaving and BESS operation follow the IEEE Std 1547-2018 and IEEE 2030.2.1-2019 standards.

### Introduction

In this example, an average converter, an output filter, and associated control model the BESS. The BESS can operate in grid-forming control and it receives setpoint from the operator control room for power dispatch. The BESS also receives the power flow measurements from point of common coupling (PCC) and changes control mode for peak shaving.

### **Description of BESS Controller**

The BESS controller receives commands and setpoint from the control room operator as well as various measurements and status from different sources and loads connected to the feeder. The BESS in this model comprises these functions:

- **1** Reference frequency generation
- **2** Reference voltage generation
- 3 Receive setpoint and command from operator
- 4 Change control mode. According to the power flow measurement at PCC, the BESS starts peak shaving or enables to charging mode

### Implementation of Photovoltaic (PV) Model

The model represents a three-phase grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) system that injects power with unity power factor (UPF) without using an intermediate DC-DC converter. The transformer-less configuration simulates leakage currents. To track the maximum power point (MPP), the example uses these maximum power point tracking (MPPT) techniques:

- Incremental conductance
- Perturbation and observation

#### **Build Model for BESS Peak Shaving**

#### **Model Overview**

Open the model sscv\_peak\_shaving.slx.

```
mdl = "sscv_peak_shaving";
open_system(mdl)
```

The Substation subsystem connects the BESS and the feeder to the main grid. This subsystem comprises a connecting breaker, disconnectors, and transformers to connect the main grid to the BESS and the outgoing feeder. The substation also contains the BESS controller and the BMS.



### **Building Components for Peak Shaving with BESS**

This example comprises these main components:

- **1** Substation
- 2 BESS System
- **3** Battery Management System (BMS)
- 4 Battery Module
- **5** Operator Control Room

#### Substation

The Substation subsystem connects the BESS and the feeder to the main grid by using a connecting breaker, disconnectors, and transformers. The substation also contains the BESS controller and the BMS.



### **BESS System**

The BESS system comprises:

- **1** Grid side converter, filter, measurement, and control
- **2** Battery management system (BMS)
- **3** Battery module



The BESS converter connects the battery modules to the grid and controls the power flow through the converter. The BESS controller implements the peak shaving function.



The power measurement at PCC detects high loading of the main grid at the substation and activates the peak shaving function. The peak shaving function limits the power from the main grid to the maximum rated power while the BESS system provides the rest of the power requirement.



### **Battery Management System (BMS)**

The BMS receives the request from the grid-side converter on power requirement. The BMS also monitors the state-of-charge (SOC) of the battery module. In this example, the BMS disconnects the battery if the SOC is above the high SOC threshold and the battery is discharging. Similarly the BMS disconnects the battery if the SOC is below the low SOC threshold and the battery is charging. Once the battery opens from the DC side, the AC-side breaker also opens within one cycle.



### **Battery Module**

The battery module is connected to the DC side of the BESS converter. Two battery packs are connected in series and grounded at the midpoint. The DC breakers can disconnect the battery module.



### **Operator Control Room**

The Operator Control Room subsystem sends all the setpoints and commands. It also plots the measured quantities and the system performance analysis.



### **Define Parameters & Run Simulations**

Initialize the BESS, grid, and PV parameters. At the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

run("sscv\_peak\_shaving\_BESS\_data.mlx");

#### **Initialize Battery Parameters**

The battery module in this example is generated by using the objects and functions in the Battery Pack Model Builder. For more information on how to build a battery pack, see the "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211 example.

```
run("sscv_peak_shaving_param.m");
Ns=1500/25;
Np=round(150*1000/(59*Ns*25));
load('sscv_peak_shaving_data.mat')
```

#### **Run Simulation**

Simulate the model.

```
run("sscv_peak_shaving");
```

#### **Plot Simulation Results**

These plots show:

- **1** Voltage and current of BESS.
- 2 Active and reactive power output of BESS, PV, load, and main grid.
- **3** Voltage, current, and power consumption of loads.
- 4 Status, discharge, charge, and SOC of BESS.

This plot shows the three-phase voltage and current output of the BESS, as well as the grid current during peak shaving and BESS disconnection.

run('sscv\_peak\_shaving\_plot\_BESS\_VI.m')

The plot shows the measured values around the start of peak shaving around 3.0 s and the BESS disconnection at 4.97 s. A stable voltage and current output from BESS verifies a good peak shaving. The disconnection of BESS happens due to low SOC.

This plot shows the active and reactive power of BESS, PV, main grid, and loads.

run('sscv\_peak\_shaving\_plot\_PQ.m')

The stable active and reactive power output verifies the efficacy of the peak shaving method.

This plot shows the voltage and current at the loads.

run('sscv\_peak\_shaving\_plot\_Load\_VI.m')

The load voltage and load current remain steady during peak shaving and BESS disconnection.

This plot shows the charge, discharge, BESS status, and SOC of the BESS.

run('sscv\_peak\_shaving\_plot\_BMS\_SoC.m')

The discharge status during peak shaving and the disconnection of the BESS due to low SOC matches with

the results from the AC-side output. This also validates the BMS functions for BESS SOC monitoring.

#### **Evaluate System Performance**

These plots show the results of the system performance and the impact of the peak shaving function.

These performance indices include:

- **1** Active Power Delivery and BESS Sizing.
- 2 IEEE 1547 -2018: Category II Inverters Sourced with Energy Storage Mapping.
- **3** IEEE 2030.2.1-2019 Guide for Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Battery Energy Mapping.
- 4 Impact of peak shaving function time delay

This plot shows the loss in active power delivery with variation in BESS sizes. The grid capacity and

load variation are constant.



This plot shows the indices for the BESS system implemented in this model following the IEEE 1547 -2018: Category II - Inverters Sourced with Energy Storage standard.



This plot shows the indices for the BESS system operation and maintenance implemented in this model following the IEEE 2030.2.1-2019 Guide for Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Battery.



This plot shows the impact of peak shaving function time delay after grid power crosses the threshold.



The time delay of the peak shaving function has more impact on the overshoots of the active power from the grid and the BESS.

There are no significant impact on the load voltage and total harmonic distortion (THD) values.

# See Also

Battery Builder | Pack

# **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Thermal Analysis for New and Aged Battery Packs**

This example shows how to evaluate a new and end-of-life (EOL) lithium-ion battery pack. With cell usage and time, the capacity of the cell degrades and the resistance increases due to the formation of a solid-electrolyte-interface (SEI), a passivation layer over the anode surface. You must design battery pack components to meet warranty criteria at EOL time from power, performance, and packaging perspectives. This example analyzes a 400V battery pack for EOL thermal performance based on its packaging.

### **Build Battery Pack**

To build the battery pack used in this example, follow the steps in the "Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Aging" on page 4-179 example and generate the batt\_PackCellAgingModelLib SLX file in your working directory. This SLX file contains the battery pack model for cell aging applications. This battery pack comprises five module assemblies. Each module assembly comprises five modules. Each battery module has 12 cells. The EOL for the battery pack is equal to 1000 cycles.



A Pipe block cools the battery pack modules and the Battery Coolant Control block controls the coolant flowrate. To analyze the worst case scenario, the circuit receives a constant 2C-rate current of 54 A for 30 minutes.

### **Define Parameters and Run Simulations**

Initialize the battery parameters. At the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

run("batt\_PackCellAgingModel\_param.m");

Simulate a new battery pack, for a constant discharging current at 2C rate.

```
batt_PackCellAgingModelData = sim("batt_PackCellAgingModelSim.slx");
% Post-process data
```

```
newPack_Temp = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(3).Values.Data;
newPack_Time = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(3).Values.Time;
newPack_Volt = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(2).Values.Data;
newPack_Curr = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(1).Values.Data;
newPack_Flow = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(4).Values.Data;
```

Simulate an EOL battery pack. Every 100 cycles, the **Terminal Resistance**, **RO** parameter of the cell decreases by 5%. In each module, set the **Change in terminal resistance after N discharge** cycles (%) parameter to 5 and the **Number of discharge cycles**, **N** parameter to 100.

```
ModuleType1.N0Cell = 100;
ParallelAssemblyType1.N0Cell = 100;
ModuleType1.dR0Cell = 5;
ParallelAssemblyType1.dR0Cell = 5;
```

The thermal resistance of the battery pack, between the cells and the cooling system, degrades with time. The value of the thermal resistance increases from 1.2 for the new pack to 5 for the aged pack.

```
ModuleType1.CoolantThermalPathResistance = 5;
ParallelAssemblyType1.CoolantThermalPathResistance = 5;
```

Initialize the battery pack close to the EOL cycle (999).

```
end_of_life_cycles = 999;
run("batt_PackCellAgingModel_param_EOL.m")
```

Simulate the EOL battery pack for a constant discharging current at 2C rate.

```
batt_PackCellAgingModelData = sim("batt_PackCellAgingModelSim.slx");
% Post-process data
agedPack_Temp = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(3).Values.Data;
agedPack_Time = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(3).Values.Time;
agedPack_Volt = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(2).Values.Data;
agedPack_Curr = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(1).Values.Data;
agedPack_Flow = batt_PackCellAgingModelData.batt_PackCellAgingResults.get(1).Values.Data;
```

#### **Analyze Results**

Load the batt\_PackWithCellBalancingResults MAT file and run the batt\_PackWithCellBalancingPlot M file. At the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

```
figure(1)
plot(agedPack_Time,squeeze(agedPack_Volt));hold on;
plot(newPack_Time,squeeze(newPack_Volt));hold off;
legend('aged','new','Location','northeast')
ylabel('Voltage (V)')
xlabel('Time (s)')
```



For the aged cells, the maximum cell temperature is almost 7 degree Celsius higher than the maximum cell temperature of a new pack. The voltage of the aged pack is slightly lower than the voltage of the new pack. These values show that the battery pack design is thermally safe from EOL perspective.

```
figure(2)
plot(agedPack_Time,squeeze(agedPack_Flow));hold on;
plot(newPack_Time,squeeze(newPack_Flow));hold off;
legend('aged','new','Location','northwest')
ylabel('Flow Rate (kg/s)')
xlabel('Time (s)')
ylim([0 0.07])
```



This plot shows the coolant flow switch-on times for a new and an aged battery pack. Inside the aged battery pack, as the cells heat up more than in a new battery pack, the battery controller switches on the coolant pump earlier. The pump power consumption is higher due to the earlier activation of the coolant pump.

### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel(R) 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 40 milliseconds.

## See Also

Battery Builder | Pack

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Aging" on page 4-179

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# Size Resistor for Battery Passive Cell Balancing

This example shows how to implement a passive cell balancing for a lithium-ion battery pack. Cell-tocell differences in the battery module create imbalances in the cell state-of-charge (SOC) and voltages. In this example, the balancing algorithm triggers when the battery pack is idle and the difference in the cell SOC is greater than a certain predefined value. The passive balancing shunt resistor is sized based on power loss and balancing time considerations.

### **Build Battery Pack**

To build the battery pack used in this example, follow the steps in the "Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Balancing Circuit" on page 4-187 example and generate the

batt\_PackWithCellBalancingLib SLX files in your working directory. This SLX file contains the battery pack model for cell balancing applications. This battery pack comprises two module assemblies. Each module assembly comprises two modules. Each battery module has 16 cells. Open the batt\_PackWithCellBalancingLib SLX file, drag and drop the Pack subsystem to your model, and connect it to the Passive Cell Balancing block. The Passive Cell Balancing block uses the cell SOC as balancing parameter.



### **Define Parameters**

Initialize the battery parameters

run("batt\_PackWithCellBalancing\_param.m");

In this example, the balancing threshold is equal to 0.1% of the SOC.

```
threshold_balancing_SOC = 1e-3;
```

For both the modules inside ModuleAssembly1 object, define all the 16 initial cell SOC.

```
ModuleAssembly1.Module1.socCell =...
[0.69;0.69;0.69;0.69;...
0.715;0.715;0.715;0.715;...
0.7;0.7;0.7;0.7;...
0.7;0.7;0.7;0.7];
```

```
ModuleAssembly1.Module2.socCell =...
ModuleAssembly1.Module1.socCell;
```

Do the same for both modules inside the ModuleAssembly2 object.

```
ModuleAssembly2.Module1.socCell =...
[0.69;0.69;0.69;0.69;...
0.715;0.715;0.715;0.715;...
0.7;0.7;0.7;0.7;...
0.7;0.7;0.7;0.7];
ModuleAssembly2.Module2.socCell =...
ModuleAssembly2.Module1.socCell;
```

Specify the shunt resistor options that you want to evaluate.

balancingResistor\_options = [2 3 4 5 6]; % all Resistances in Ohm

#### **Run Simulations**

Simulate the model for all the balancing resistor options specified in the balancingResistor\_options variable. At the MATLAB Command Window, run the batt\_PackWithCellBalancingSimulate M file. The file runs simulation for all the balancing resistor options and stores the output result in a batt\_PackWithCellBalancingResults MAT file.

#### **Analyze Results**

Load the batt\_PackWithCellBalancingResults MAT file, in the MATLAB Command Window, enter:

run("batt\_PackWithCellBalancingPlot.m")





The first plot shows the balancing time, in hours, for each resistor rating. For a pack resistor of 4 Ohm, the battery SOC balances in around 2.5 hours.

The second plot shows the power loss, in Watts, for each resistor rating. A resistor of 4 Ohm produces a power loss equal to almost 25 W.

The 4 Ohm resistor is a good trade-off for the final hardware.

# See Also

Battery Builder | Pack

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Balancing Circuit" on page 4-187

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Battery Monitoring**

This example shows how to use battery management system blocks to monitor the current and temperature of a battery. A random current and temperature profile is applied to the battery which is then simulated for 6 hours.

#### Model



### **Current Monitoring Results**

The plot below shows the battery current and overcurrent error.



## **Temperature Monitoring Results**

The plot below shows the battery temperature and temperature out-of-range errors.



### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel® 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 50 microseconds.

# See Also

Battery Current Monitoring | Battery Temperature Monitoring

# **Battery Charging and Discharging**

This example shows how to use a constant current and constant voltage algorithm to charge and discharge a battery. The Battery CC-CV block is charging and discharging the battery for 10 hours. The initial state-of-charge is equal to 0.3. When the battery is charging, the current is constant until the battery reaches the maximum voltage and the current decreases towards 0. When the battery is discharging, a constant current is used.

### Model



### **Simulation Results**

The plot below shows the current, voltage, and temperature of the battery under test.



### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel® 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 50 microseconds.

# See Also

Battery CC-CV

# **Battery State-of-Health Estimation**

This example shows how to estimate the battery internal resistance and state-of-health (SOH) by using an adaptive Kalman filter. The initial state-of-charge (SOC) of the battery is equal to 0.6. The estimator uses an initial condition for the SOC equal to 0.65. The battery keeps charging and discharging for 10 hours. The unscented Kalman filter estimator converges to the real value of the SOC while also estimating the internal resistance. To use a different Kalman filter implementation, in the SOC Estimator (Kalman Filter) block, set the Filter type parameter to the desired value.

#### Model



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### **Simulation Results**

The plot below shows the real and estimated battery state-of-charge, estimated terminal resistance, and estimated state-of-health of the battery.



### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel® 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 100 microseconds.

# See Also

SOC Estimator (Adaptive Kalman Filter) | SOH Estimator

# **Battery State-of-Charge Estimation**

This example shows how to estimate the battery state-of-charge (SOC) by using a Kalman filter. The initial SOC of the battery is equal to 0.5. The estimator uses an initial condition for the SOC equal to 0.8. The battery keeps charging and discharging for 6 hours. The extended Kalman filter estimator converges to the real value of the SOC in less than 10 minutes and then follows the real SOC value. To use a different Kalman filter implementation, in the SOC Estimator (Kalman Filter) block, set the Filter type parameter to the desired value.

### Model



#### Battery State-of-Charge Estimation

1. Modify model parameters

2. Plot SOC (see code)

3. Explore simulation results using Simscape Results Explorer

4. Learn more about this example

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### **Simulation Results**

The plot below shows the real and estimated battery state-of-charge.



## **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel® 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 50 microseconds.

# See Also

SOC Estimator (Kalman Filter)

# **Battery Passive Cell Balancing**

This example shows how to balance a battery with two cells connected in series by using a passive cell balancing algorithm. The initial state-of-charge (SOC) for the two cells are equal to 0.7 and 0.75. The balancing procedure depends on the cell voltages. Alternatively, you can use the SOC values for balancing. When the balancing is active, a bleeding resistor switches on to bleed the cells with higher charge. You can use the objects and functions in the Battery Pack Model Builder to generate more complex battery packs.

### Model



### **Simulation Results**

The plot below shows the cell state-of-charge values.



### **Results from Real-Time Simulation**

This example has been tested on a Speedgoat Performance real-time target machine with an Intel® 3.5 GHz i7 multi-core CPU. This model can run in real time with a step size of 70 microseconds.

# See Also

Battery CC-CV | Passive Cell Balancing

# **Build Detailed Model of Battery Pack From Cylindrical Cells**

This example shows how to create and build Simscape<sup>™</sup> system models for various battery designs and configurations based on cylindrical battery cells in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. The buildBattery function allows you to automatically generate Simscape models for these Simscape Battery objects:

- ParallelAssembly
- Module
- ModuleAssembly
- Pack

This function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery pack. Use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

During the first half of this example, you first define the key properties of a cylindrical battery cell and block model. You then use this cylindrical battery cell as a fundamental repeating unit inside a parallel assembly component. In the industry, this component is also called a "sub-module", a "supercell", a "P-set", or just a "cell". You later employ this parallel assembly to define a battery module, which is then used to create a module assembly and finally a battery pack. These larger battery systems all use the battery cell as a fundamental repeating unit. Throughout the workflow, you visualize the geometry and the relative positioning of these battery systems by using the BatteryChart object.

In the second half of the example, you modify the modeling methodology and the model resolution of the Module, ModuleAssemblies, and Pack objects before generating the final Simscape battery model. You can perform the geometrical aggregation or stacking of any battery object along the sequence either along the X or Y axis. These axis mirror the "Coordinate Systems in Vehicle Dynamics Blockset" (Vehicle Dynamics Blockset).

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

#### import simscape.battery.builder.\*

### **Create and Visualize Battery Objects in MATLAB**

To create a battery pack, you must first design and create the foundational elements of the battery pack.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:


Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

# **Create and Visualize Battery Cell Object**

A battery cell is an electrochemical energy storage device that provides electrical energy from stored chemical energy. An electrochemical battery cell is the fundamental building block in the manufacturing of larger battery systems. To obtain the required energy and voltage levels, multiple battery cells are typically connected electrically in parallel and/or in series.

To mirror the real-world behavior, the Simscape Battery<sup>™</sup> Cell object is the foundational element for the creation of a battery pack system model. You can create all battery classes without any inputs. To create a battery cell, use the Cell object.

batterycell = Cell();

To meet the battery packaging and space requirements, you can arrange the battery cells in three main geometrical arrangements: cylindrical, pouch, or prismatic. To be able to visualize a single battery cell, you must first define its geometry.

Define a cylindrical geometry by using the CylindricalGeometry object.

cellgeometry = CylindricalGeometry();

The CylindricalGeometry object has two properties:

• Radius — Radius of the cylindrical geometry, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.

• Height — Height of the cylindrical geometry, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.

Specify custom values for the Radius and Height properties of the cylindrical geometry.

```
cellgeometry.Radius = simscape.Value(0.0105, "m");
cellgeometry.Height = simscape.Value(0.07, "m");
```

For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the **PouchGeometry** and **PrismaticGeometry** documentation pages.

You can now link this geometry object to the battery cell by accessing the Geometry property of the batterycell object.

batterycell.Geometry = cellgeometry;

Specify a custom value for the mass of the battery cell by using the Mass property.

```
batterycell.Mass = simscape.Value(0.07,"kg");
disp(batterycell)
```

```
Cell with properties:

Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CylindricalGeometry]

CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]

Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]

Show all properties
```

Visualize the battery cell by using the BatteryChart object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery cell.

f = uifigure("Color", "white");

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery cell.

```
cellchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterycell);
title(cellchart, "Cylindrical Cell")
```



For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

By default, the Battery (Table-Based) block is the electrical and thermal model used to represent and simulate this battery cell in Simscape. When scaled up into larger battery systems like a parallel assembly or a module, this model is also scaled up accordingly depending on the model resolution. To display the information about the cell model block, use the CellModelOptions property of the batterycell object.

disp(batterycell.CellModelOptions.CellModelBlockPath);

```
batt_lib/Cells/Battery
(Table-Based)
```

The Cell object also allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the **thermal\_port** parameter to "model".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

You can modify all the conditional parameters of the Battery (Table-Based) block by using the CellModelOptions property.

disp(batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters);

T\_dependence: no
thermal\_port: model

### **Create and Visualize Battery ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. You can specify the number of cells connected in parallel by using the NumParallelCells property.

In this example, you create a parallel assembly using 48 of the cylindrical cells created in the previous step, stacked in a square topology over four rows.

```
parallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(...
NumParallelCells = 48, ...
Cell = batterycell, ...
Topology = "Square", ...
Rows = 4, ...
InterCellGap = simscape.Value(0.001, "m"));
```

The Topology property is a function of the cell format. For cylindrical cells, the available topologies are "Hexagonal" and "Square". By default, the ParallelAssembly object stacks the cells along the Y axis.

Visualize the battery parallel assembly. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery parallel assembly and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
parallelassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = parallelassembly);
title(parallelassemblychart, "Parallel Assembly Chart")
```



You can modify all the public properties inside the parallel assembly after its creation. For example, you can set the topology of the parallel assembly to the more space-efficient hexagonal configuration. Set the Topology property of the ParallelAssembly object to "Hexagonal".

parallelassembly.Topology = "Hexagonal";

Visualize the hexagonal parallel assembly.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
parallelassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = parallelassembly);
title(parallelassemblychart, "Parallel Assembly Chart")
```



You can check the cell packaging volume and the mass of any battery by accessing the PackagingVolume and CumulativeMass properties.

```
disp(parallelassembly.PackagingVolume)
```

```
0.0015 : m^3
```

```
disp(parallelassembly.CumulativeMass)
```

3.3600 : kg

# **Create and Visualize Battery Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. You can specify the number of parallel assemblies connected in series by using the NumSeriesAssemblies property. You can stack or geometrically assemble batteries along the X or Y axis of a Cartesian coordinate system by using the StackingAxis property.

In this example, you create a battery module using four parallel assemblies that you created in the previous step, stacked along the X axis, with an intergap between each assembly equal to 0.0001 meters.

```
module = Module(...
ParallelAssembly = parallelassembly, ...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.0001, "m"));
```

Visualize the battery Module object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery module and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = module);
title(modulechart, "Module Chart")
```



Display the total packacing volume and cumulative mass of your battery module.

```
disp(module.PackagingVolume)
```

```
0.0060 : m^3
```

```
disp(module.CumulativeMass)
```

```
13.4400 : kg
```

You can modify all the public properties inside the module after its creation. For example, modify the gap between parallel assemblies and check how the packaging volume increases due to this change. Set the InterParallelAssemblyGap property of the Module object to 0.005 m and visualize the object.

```
module.InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005, "m");
```

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = module);
title(modulechart, "Module Chart")
```



Now check the new packaging volume of your battery module.

### disp(module.PackagingVolume)

0.0063 : m^3

The packaging volume increased due to the increase in gap between parallel assemblies.

Reset the InterParallelAssemblyGap property back to its original value.

module.InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.001,"m");

### Create and Visualize Battery ModuleAssembly Object

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. You can define the number and types of modules by using the Module property. If a module assembly comprises many identical modules, use the repmat function. Otherwise use an array of distinct modules.

In this example, you create a battery module assembly by using two identical modules of the Module object you created in the previous step, stacked along the Y axis, with an intergap between each module equal to 0.005 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

```
moduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(module,1,2), ...
```

```
StackingAxis = "Y",...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.005, "m"), ...
CircuitConnection = "Series");
```

Visualize the battery ModuleAssembly object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery module assembly and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
moduleassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = moduleassembly);
title(moduleassemblychart, "Module Assembly Chart")
```



All battery objects, including modules, have a Name property. The ModuleAssembly object automatically assigns a unique name to all of its modules. To display the name of each module in your ModuleAssembly object, use the Name property.

disp(moduleassembly.Module(1).Name);

Module1

```
disp(moduleassembly.Module(2).Name);
```

Module2

You can modify the Name property to rename any of the modules inside a module assembly. Specify a new name for the two modules in your battery module assembly.

```
moduleassembly.Module(1).Name = "MyModuleA";
moduleassembly.Module(2).Name = "MyModuleB";
disp(moduleassembly.Module(1).Name);
```

MyModuleA

disp(moduleassembly.Module(2).Name);

MyModuleB

A ModuleAssembly battery object also allows you to stack the modules along the Z axis. To stack modules along the Z axis, use the NumLevels property. The NumLevels property defines the number of levels, tiers, or floors of the module assembly. The ModuleAssembly object stacks the modules symmetrically according to the number of levels and modules in the assembly.

For example, create a new module assembly object that comprises 4 identical modules stacked along the Z axis on two levels.

```
zStackedModuleAssembly = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(module,1,4), ...
StackingAxis = "Y",...
NumLevel = 2,...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.01, "m"));
```

Visualize the ModuleAssembly object, zStackedModuleAssembly.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
moduleassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = zStackedModuleAssembly);
title(moduleassemblychart, "Module Assembly Chart")
```



### **Create and Visualize Battery Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. You can define the number and types of module assemblies by using the ModuleAssembly property. If a pack comprises many identical module assemblies, use the repmat function. Otherwise use an array of distinct module assemblies.

In this example, you create a battery pack of three module assemblies. The first module assembly is the module assembly stacked along the Z axis, zStackedModuleAssembly. The other two module assemblies are two identical module assemblies that you created in the previous step.

```
batterypack2 = Pack(...
ModuleAssembly = [zStackedModuleAssembly, repmat(moduleassembly,1,2)], ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005, "m"));
```

Visualize the battery Pack object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery pack and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
packchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterypack2);
title(packchart, "Pack Chart")
```



The Pack object automatically assigns a unique name to all of its module assemblies upon creation. To display the name of each module assembly in your Pack object, use the Name property.

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(1).Name);

ModuleAssembly1

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(2).Name);

ModuleAssembly2

You can use a **Pack** object to define a common cell balancing strategy for all the modules inside the pack by specifying the **BalancingStrategy** property.

batterypack2.BalancingStrategy = "Passive";

Modifying this property at this level automatically modifies the same property inside all of the underlying module components in the battery pack. Check the balancing strategy of the modules inside your battery pack.

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(1).Module(1).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(1).Module(2).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

The BalancingStrategy property of each module in the pack updated to reflect the change you have applied to the BalancingStrategy property of your Pack object.

Use the PackagingVolume and CumulativeMass properties to display the cumulative pack mass and packaging volume of your battery pack.

disp(batterypack2.PackagingVolume)

0.0484 : m^3

disp(batterypack2.CumulativeMass)

107.5200 : kg

### **Modify Model Resolution of Battery Objects**

ParallelAssembly and Module objects have a ModelResolution property that allows you to set the level of fidelity of the generated Simscape model used in simulations. You can specify the ModelResolution property to either:

- Lumped Lowest fidelity. The battery object uses only one electrical model. To obtain the fastest compilation time and running time, use this value.
- Detailed Highest fidelity. The battery object uses one electrical model and one thermal model for each battery cell.
- Grouped Custom simulation strategy, available only to Module objects.

You can view the simulation strategy by using the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object.

### Modify Model Resolution for ParallelAssembly Object

A ParallelAssembly object uses a single battery Cell object as s foundational repeating unit upon its creation.

Create a new ParallelAssembly object with the battery cell that you created at the beginning of this example. By default, the ModelResoultion property of a ParallelAssembly object is set to "Lumped".

```
lumpedPSet = ParallelAssembly(...
NumParallelCells = 48, ...
Cell = batterycell, ...
Rows = 4, ...
InterCellGap = simscape.Value(0.001, "m"));
```

Visualize the ParallelAssembly object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
paralllelAssemblyChartLumped = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = lumpedPSet, SimulationStrategy
```



Only one single cell model block represents all the cell components inside the orange box.

If you set the ModelResolution property of the parallel assembly to "Detailed", the ParallelAssembly object instantiates a number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the NumParallelCells property and connects them electrically in parallel in Simscape.



Change the model resolution of the previous ParallelAssembly object to "Detailed" and visualize it by using the BatteryChart object and by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
detailedPset = lumpedPSet;
detailedPset.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
paralllelAssemblyChartDetailed = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = detailedPset, SimulationStrate)
```



A number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the NumParallelCells property represents each cell component.

### **Modify Model Resolution for Module Object**

### **Lumped Module Resolution**

By default, the model resolution in modules and parallel assemblies is set to "Lumped". This means that the generated battery model in Simscape only uses one electrical model to electrically simulate all the battery cells within that system.

Check how the lumped module resolution works in Module objects. Create a Module object that comprises four parallel assemblies stacked along the X axis.

```
lumpedmodule = Module(...
ParallelAssembly = lumpedPSet, ...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.0001, "m"));
```

Visualize the Module object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechartlumped = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = lumpedmodule, SimulationStrategyVisible =
```



One electrical cell model simulates all the cells contained in the dotted orange box.

Add thermal boundary conditions to your module. To define a thermal path to ambient, set the AmbientThermalPath property to "CellBasedThermalResistance".

modulelumped.AmbientThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance";

### **Detailed Module Resolution**

Now change the model resolution of the previous Module object to "Detailed" and visualize it by using the BatteryChart object and by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
detailedmodule = lumpedmodule;
detailedmodule.ParallelAssembly.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
detailedmodule.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
```

For cylindrical modules, the detailed model resolution is not recommended as many cells are present and it is important to keep the total number of models between 30 and 50.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechartdetailed = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = detailedmodule, SimulationStrategyVisib")
```



A number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the NumParallelCells property represents each cell component.



Add thermal boundary conditions to your detailed battery module. To define the location of a cooling plate, set the CoolingPlate property to "Bottom".

detailedmodule.CoolingPlate = "Bottom";

### **Grouped Module Resolution**

For battery modules, you can also set the ModelResolution property to "Grouped". This simulation strategy helps increasing the model performance.

module.ModelResolution = "Grouped";

When you set the ModelResolution property of a module to "Grouped", you can define an additional simulation strategy by using the SeriesGrouping and ParallelGrouping properties:

• SeriesGrouping — Custom modeling strategy for the module along the series connections, specified as a strictly positive array of doubles. The length of the array of this property specifies the number of individual electrical models required. Each element value of this array specifies

how many parallel assemblies are lumped within the specified electrical model. The sum of the elements in the array must be equal to value of the NumSeriesAssemblies property. For example, if your module comprises four parallel assemblies (NumSeriesAssemblies = 4) and you set this property to [2 1 1], the module is discretized in three individual electrical models where the first model comprises two of the original parallel assemblies.

```
module.SeriesGrouping = [1,2,1];
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechartgrouped = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = module, SimulationStrategyVisible = "on"
```



• ParallelGrouping — Custom modeling strategy for the module for every parallel assembly defined in the SeriesGrouping property, specified as a strictly positive array of doubles. The length of the array of this property must be equal to the length of the array of the SeriesGrouping property. Each element of this array specifies the number of individual electrical models for every element in the array of the SeriesGrouping property. The values of the elements of this array can be equal only to either 1 or the value of the NumParallelCells property. For example, if your module comprises four parallel assemblies (NumSeriesAssemblies = 4), 48 cylindrical cells for each parallel assembly (NumParallelCells = 48), and three individual electrical models where the first model comprises two of the original parallel assemblies (SeriesGrouping = [2 1 1]), then if you set this property to [1 1 48], the module is discretized in 50 individual electrical model.



# Assign Model Resolution for ModuleAssembly Object

A ModuleAssembly object inherits the model resolution of its battery modules.

Create a ModuleAssembly object by using the lumpedmodule Module object that you created in the previous step.

```
moduleassemblylumped = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(lumpedmodule,1,2), ...
StackingAxis = "Y",...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.005, "m"));
```

Then visualize the ModuleAssembly object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
lumpedmoduleassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = moduleassemblylumped , Simulation!
title(lumpedmoduleassemblychart, "Module Assembly Lumped Simulation Strategy Chart" )
```



The ModelResolution property of the ModuleAssembly object you just created is automatically set to "Lumped" because the ModelResolution properties of its modules are set to "Lumped".

### Assign Model Resolution for Pack Object

A Pack object inherits the model resolution of its battery module assemblies.

Create a Pack object by using the moduleassemblylumped ModuleAssembly object that you created in the previous step.

```
packlumped = Pack(...
ModuleAssembly = repmat(moduleassemblylumped,1,4), ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.01, "m"));
```

Then visualize the Pack object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
packlumpedchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = packlumped , SimulationStrategyVisible = "or
title(packlumpedchart, "Pack Lumped Simulation Strategy Chart")
```



The ModelResolution property of the Pack object is automatically set to "Lumped" because the ModelResolution properties of its module assemblies are set to "Lumped".

### **Build Simscape Model for the Battery Objects**

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of all the batteries object in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(packlumped, "LibraryName", "cylindricalPackExample");

This function creates the cylindricalPackExample\_lib and cylindricalPackExample SLX library files in your working directory. The cylindricalPackExample\_lib library contains the modules and parallel assemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the cylindricalPackExample\_lib. SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The cylindricalPackExample library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

For more information, see the buildBattery documentation page.

# See Also

**Battery Builder** 

# **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Build Detailed Model of Battery Pack From Pouch Cells**

This example shows how to create and build Simscape<sup>™</sup> system models for various battery designs and configurations based on pouch battery cells in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. The buildBattery function allows you to automatically generate Simscape models for these Simscape Battery objects:

- ParallelAssembly
- Module
- ModuleAssembly
- Pack

This function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

During the first half of this example, you first define the key properties of a pouch battery cell and block model. You then use this pouch battery cell as a fundamental repeating unit inside a parallel assembly component. In the industry this component is also called a "sub-module", a "super-cell", a "P-set", or just a "cell". You later employ this parallel assembly to define a battery module, which is then used to create a module assembly and finally a battery pack. These larger battery systems all use the battery cell as a fundamental repeating unit. Throughout the workflow, you visualize the geometry and the relative positioning of these battery systems by using the BatteryChart object.

In the second half of the example, you modify the modeling methodology and the model resolution of the Module, ModuleAssemblies, and Pack objects before generating the final Simscape battery model. You can perform the geometrical aggregation or stacking of any battery object along the sequence either along the X or Y axis. These axis mirror the "Coordinate Systems in Vehicle Dynamics Blockset" (Vehicle Dynamics Blockset).

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

### **Create and Visualize Battery Objects in MATLAB**

To create a battery pack, you must first design and create the foundational elements of the battery pack.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

# **Create and Visualize Battery Cell Object**

A battery cell is an electrochemical energy storage device that provides electrical energy from stored chemical energy. An electrochemical battery cell is the fundamental building block in the manufacturing of larger battery systems. To obtain the required energy and voltage levels, multiple battery cells are typically connected electrically in parallel and/or in series.

To mirror the real-world behavior, the Simscape Battery Cell object is the foundational element for the creation of a battery pack system model. You can create all battery classes without any inputs. To create a battery cell, use the Cell object.

batterycell = Cell();

To meet the battery packaging and space requirements, you can arrange the battery cells in three main geometrical arrangements: cylindrical, pouch, or prismatic. To visualize a single battery cell, you must first define its geometry.

Define a pouch geometry by using the PouchGeometry object.

cellgeometry = PouchGeometry();

The PouchGeometry object has six properties:

• Length — Length of the pouch geometry, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.

- Thickness Thickness of the pouch geometry, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.
- Height Height of the pouch geometry, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.
- TabLocation Location of the tabs of a pouch battery cell, specified as either Standard or Opposed.
- TabWidth Width of the tab of a pouch battery cell, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.
- TabHeight Height of the tab of a pouch battery cell, specified as a simscape.Value object that represents a scalar with a unit of length.

Specify custom values for the Length, Height, TabWidth, and TabLocation properties of the pouch geometry.

```
cellgeometry.Length = simscape.Value(0.36, "m");
cellgeometry.Height = simscape.Value(0.13, "m");
cellgeometry.TabWidth = simscape.Value(0.05, "m");
cellgeometry.TabLocation = "Opposed";
```

For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

You can now link this geometry object to the battery cell by accessing the Geometry property of the batterycell object.

batterycell.Geometry = cellgeometry;

Specify a custom value for the mass of the battery cell by using the Mass property.

```
batterycell.Mass = simscape.Value(0.8,"kg");
disp(batterycell)
```

```
Cell with properties:

Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PouchGeometry]

CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]

Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
```

Show all properties

Visualize the battery cell by using the BatteryChart object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery cell.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
```

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery cell.

```
cellchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterycell);
title(cellchart, "Pouch Cell")
```



By default, the Battery (Table-Based) block is the electrical and thermal model used to represent and simulate this battery cell in Simscape. When scaled up into larger battery systems like a parallel assembly or a module, this model is also scaled up accordingly depending on the model resolution. To display the information about the cell model block, use the CellModelOptions property of the batterycell object.

disp(batterycell.CellModelOptions.CellModelBlockPath);

batt\_lib/Cells/Battery
(Table-Based)

The Cell object also allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the **thermal\_port** parameter to "model".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

You can modify all the conditional parameters of the Battery (Table-Based) block by using the CellModelOptions property.

disp(batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters);

T\_dependence: no
thermal\_port: model
prm\_age\_OCV: OCV

### **Create and Visualize Battery ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. You can specify the number of cells connected in parallel by using the NumParallelCells property.

In this example, you create a parallel assembly using four of the pouch cells created in the previous step, stacked in a single stack topology with a gap between the cells equal to 0.001 meters.

```
parallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(...
NumParallelCells = 4, ...
Cell = batterycell, ...
Topology = "SingleStack", ...
InterCellGap = simscape.Value(0.001, "m"));
```

The **Topology** property is a function of the cell format. For pouch cells, the only available topology is "SingleStack". By default, the ParallelAssembly object stacks the cells along the Y axis.

Visualize the battery parallel assembly. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery parallel assembly and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
parallelassemblychart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = parallelassembly);
title(parallelassemblychart, "Parallel Assembly Chart")
```



You can modify all the public properties inside the parallel assembly after its creation.

You can check the cell packaging volume and the mass of any battery by accessing the PackagingVolume and CumulativeMass properties.

```
disp(parallelassembly.PackagingVolume)
```

```
0.0022 : m^3
```

```
disp(parallelassembly.CumulativeMass)
```

3.2000 : kg

# **Create and Visualize Battery Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. You can specify the number of parallel assemblies connected in series by using the NumSeriesAssemblies property. You can stack or geometrically assemble batteries along the X or Y axis of a Cartesian coordinate system by using the StackingAxis property.

In this example, you create a battery module using 14 parallel assemblies that you created in the previous step with an intergap between each assembly equal to 0.008 meters.

```
module = Module(...
ParallelAssembly = parallelassembly, ...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 14, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.008, "m"));
```

Visualize the battery Module object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery module and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = module);
title(modulechart, "Module Chart")
```



Display the total packacing volume and cumulative mass of your battery module.

### disp(module.PackagingVolume)

0.0358 : m^3

### disp(module.CumulativeMass)

44.8000 : kg

You can modify all the public properties inside the module after its creation.

### **Create and Visualize Battery ModuleAssembly Object**

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. You can define the number and types of modules by using the Module property. If a module assembly comprises many identical modules, use the repmat function. Otherwise use an array of distinct modules.

In this example, you create a battery module assembly by using two identical modules of the Module object you created in the previous step, with an intergap between each module equal to 0.1 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

```
moduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(module,1,2), ...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.1, "m"));
```

Visualize the battery ModuleAssembly object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery module assembly and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = moduleassembly);
title(modulechart, "Module Assembly Chart")
```



All battery objects, including modules, have a Name property. The ModuleAssembly object automatically assigns a unique name to all of its modules. To display the name of each module in your ModuleAssembly object, use the Name property.

disp(moduleassembly.Module(1).Name);

Module1

disp(moduleassembly.Module(2).Name);

Module2

You can modify the Name property to rename any of the modules inside a module assembly. Specify a new name for the two modules in your battery module assembly.

```
moduleassembly.Module(1).Name = "MyModuleA";
moduleassembly.Module(2).Name = "MyModuleB";
disp(moduleassembly.Module(1).Name);
```

MyModuleA

```
disp(moduleassembly.Module(2).Name);
```

MyModuleB

A ModuleAssembly battery object also allows you to stack the modules along the Z axis. To stack modules along the Z axis, use the NumLevels property. The NumLevels property defines the number of levels, tiers, or floors of the module assembly. The ModuleAssembly object stacks the modules symmetrically according to the number of levels and modules in the assembly.

For example, create a new module assembly object that comprises four identical modules stacked along the Z axis on two levels.

```
zStackedModuleAssembly = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(module,1,4), ...
NumLevel = 2,...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.1, "m"));
```

Visualize the ModuleAssembly object, zStackedModuleAssembly.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
moduleAssemblyChart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = zStackedModuleAssembly);
title(moduleAssemblyChart, "Module Assembly Chart")
```



# **Create and Visualize Battery Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. You can define the number and types of module assemblies by using the ModuleAssembly property. If a pack comprises many identical module assemblies, use the repmat function. Otherwise use an array of distinct module assemblies.

In this example, you create a battery pack of four module assemblies. The first module assembly is the module assembly stacked along the Z axis, zStackedModuleAssembly. The other three module assemblies are three identical module assemblies that you created in the previous step.

```
batterypack2 = Pack(...
ModuleAssembly = [zStackedModuleAssembly, repmat(moduleassembly,1,3)], ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005, "m"));
```

Visualize the battery Pack object. Create the uifigure where you want to visualize your battery pack and use the BatteryChart object.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
packchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterypack2);
title(packchart, "Pack Chart")
```



The Pack object automatically assigns a unique name to all of its module assemblies upon creation. To display the name of each module assembly in your Pack object, use the Name property.

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(1).Name);

ModuleAssembly1

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(2).Name);

ModuleAssembly2

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(3).Name);

ModuleAssembly3

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(4).Name);

ModuleAssembly4

You can use a **Pack** object to define a common cell balancing strategy for all the modules inside the pack by specifying the **BalancingStrategy** property.

batterypack2.BalancingStrategy = "Passive";

Modifying this property at this level automatically modifies the same property inside all of the underlying module components in the battery pack. Check the balancing strategy of the modules inside your battery pack.

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(1).Module(1).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(2).Module(1).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(3).Module(1).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

disp(batterypack2.ModuleAssembly(4).Module(1).BalancingStrategy);

Passive

The BalancingStrategy property of each module in the pack updated to reflect the change you have applied to the BalancingStrategy property of your Pack object.

Use the PackagingVolume and CumulativeMass properties to display the cumulative pack mass and packaging volume of your battery pack.

disp(batterypack2.PackagingVolume)

0.3579 : m^3

disp(batterypack2.CumulativeMass)

448 : kg

### **Modify Model Resolution of Battery Objects**

ParallelAssembly and Module objects have a ModelResolution property that allows you to set the level of fidelity of the generated Simscape model used in simulations. You can specify the ModelResolution property to either:

- Lumped Lowest fidelity. The battery object uses only one electrical model. To obtain the fastest compilation time and running time, use this value.
- Detailed Highest fidelity. The battery object uses one electrical model and one thermal model for each battery cell.
- Grouped Custom simulation strategy, available only to Module objects.

You can view the simulation strategy by using the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object.

### Modify Model Resolution for ParallelAssembly Object

A ParallelAssembly object uses a single battery Cell object as foundational repeating unit upon its creation. Create a new ParallelAssembly object with the battery cell that you created at the beginning of this example. By default, the ModelResoultion property of a ParallelAssembly object is set to "Lumped".

```
lumpedParallelAssembly = ParallelAssembly(...
NumParallelCells = 4, ...
Cell = batterycell, ...
Topology = "SingleStack", ...
InterCellGap = simscape.Value(0.001, "m"));
```

Visualize the ParallelAssembly object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".



Only one single cell model block represents all the cell components inside the orange box.

If you set the ModelResolution property of the parallel assembly to "Detailed", the ParallelAssembly object instantiates a number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the NumParallelCells property and connects them electrically in parallel in Simscape.


Change the model resolution of the previous ParallelAssembly object to "Detailed" and visualize it by using the BatteryChart object and by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
detailedPset = lumpedParallelAssembly;
detailedPset.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
```

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
paralllelAssemblyChartDetailed = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = detailedPset, SimulationStrat
```



A number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the NumParallelCells property represents each cell component.

#### **Modify Model Resolution for Module Object**

#### **Lumped Module Resolution**

By default, the model resolution in modules and parallel assemblies is set to "Lumped". This means that the generated battery model in Simscape only uses one electrical model to electrically simulate all the battery cells within that system.

Check how the lumped module resolution works in Module objects. Create a Module object that comprises 14 parallel assemblies.

```
lumpedmodule = Module(...
ParallelAssembly = parallelassembly, ...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 14, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.008, "m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Lumped");
```

Visualize the Module object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechartlumped = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = lumpedmodule, SimulationStrategyVisible =
```



One electrical cell model simulates all the cells contained in the dotted orange box.

#### **Detailed Module Resolution**

Now change the model resolution of the previous Module object to "Detailed" and visualize it by using the BatteryChart object and by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
detailedmodule = lumpedmodule;
detailedmodule.ParallelAssembly.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
detailedmodule.ModelResolution = "Detailed";
```

For pouch modules, the detailed model resolution is not recommended as many cells are present and it is important to keep the total number of models between 30 and 50.

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
modulechartdetailed = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = detailedmodule, SimulationStrategyVisib")
```



A number of cell model blocks equal to the value of the  ${\tt NumParallelCells}$  property represents each cell component.



Grouped Module Resolution

For battery modules, you can also set the ModelResolution property to "Grouped". This simulation strategy increases the model performance.

module.ModelResolution = "Grouped";

When you set the ModelResolution property of a module to "Grouped", you can define an additional simulation strategy by using the SeriesGrouping and ParallelGrouping properties:

• SeriesGrouping — Custom modeling strategy for the module along the series connections, specified as a strictly positive array of doubles. The length of the array of this property specifies the number of individual electrical models required. Each element value of this array specifies how many parallel assemblies are lumped within the specified electrical model. The sum of the elements in the array must be equal to value of the NumSeriesAssemblies property.





• ParallelGrouping — Custom modeling strategy for the module for every parallel assembly defined in the SeriesGrouping property, specified as a strictly positive array of doubles. The length of the array of this property must be equal to the length of the array of the SeriesGrouping property. Each element of this array specifies the number of individual electrical models for every element in the array of the SeriesGrouping property. The values of the elements of this array can be equal only to either 1 or the value of the NumParallelCells property. For example, if your module comprises four parallel assemblies (NumSeriesAssemblies = 4), 48 pouch cells for each parallel assembly (NumParallelCells = 48), and three individual electrical models where the first model comprises two of the original parallel assemblies (SeriesGrouping = [2 1 1]), then if you set this property to [1 1 48], the module is discretized in 50 individual electrical models where each cell of the fourth parallel assembly has an electrical model.

#### Assign Model Resolution for ModuleAssembly Object

A ModuleAssembly object inherits the model resolution of its battery modules.

Create a ModuleAssembly object by using the lumpedmodule Module object that you created previously.

```
module.ModelResolution = "Lumped";
moduleassemblylumped = ModuleAssembly(...
Module = repmat(module,1,2), ...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.1, "m"));
```

Then visualize the ModuleAssembly object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
moduleAssemblyChart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = moduleassemblylumped , SimulationStratege
title(moduleAssemblyChart, "Module Assembly Grouped Simulation Strategy Chart" )
```



The ModelResolution property of the ModuleAssembly object is automatically set to "Lumped" because the ModelResolution properties of its modules are set to "Lumped".

#### Assign Model Resolution for Pack Object

A Pack object inherits the model resolution of its battery module assemblies.

Create a Pack object by using the moduleassemblylumped ModuleAssembly object that you created in the previous step.

```
packlumped = Pack(...
ModuleAssembly = repmat(moduleassemblylumped,1,4), ...
StackingAxis = "X",...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.01, "m"));
```

Then visualize the Pack object and check the model resolution by setting the SimulationStrategyVisible property to "on".

```
f = uifigure("Color", "white");
packlumpedchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = packlumped , SimulationStrategyVisible = "or
title(packlumpedchart, "Pack Lumped Simulation Strategy Chart")
```



The ModelResolution property of the Pack object is automatically set to "Lumped" because the ModelResolution properties of its module assemblies are set to "Lumped".

#### **Build Simscape Model for the Battery Objects**

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of all the batteries object in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(packlumped, "LibraryName", "pouchPackExample");

This function creates the pouchPackExample\_lib and pouchPackExample SLX library files in your working directory. The pouchPackExample\_lib library contains the modules and parallel assemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the pouchPackExample\_lib. SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The pouchPackExample library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

## See Also

**Battery Builder** 

## **Related Examples**

• "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Build Model of Battery Module with Thermal Effects**

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery module with thermal effects in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. To create the system model of a battery module, you must first create the Cell and ParallelAssembly objects that comprise the battery module, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery module object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies. These parallel assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

Once you have created your battery pack object, the buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of the battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Explore Battery Module and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery module and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery module that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery pack data.

unzip('BatteryModuleThermal.zip');

Import the battery module object stored inside the BatteryModuleThermal MAT file. Under the Battery Builder tab, in the Import section of the toolstrip, click Import. Then click Import from MAT-file and load the BatteryModuleThermal MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now displays a Module object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Module object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

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Build Options					
Battery	Module1 (Module)				
Directory	C:\work\			Browse	)
Library Name	Batteries				
Mask Parameters	NumericValues	•			
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues	•			
	С	reate Library		Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

#### **Create Battery Module Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery module object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Module object stored in the BatteryModuleThermal MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the battery Module object, first create a Cell object of pouch format.

pouchgeometry = PouchGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.1,"m"),... Length = simscape.Value(0.3,"m"), TabLocation = "Opposed" ); The PouchGeometry object allows you to define the cylindrical geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height, radius, and location of tabs of the cell by setting the Height, Radius, and TabLocation properties of the PouchGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this PouchGeometry object to create a pouch battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = pouchgeometry)
```

```
batterycell =
   Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PouchGeometry]
   CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
        Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

The Cell object allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port property to "model" and the T\_dependence property to "yes".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model"; batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.T\_dependence = "yes";

You can define the thermal boundary conditions for battery parallel assemblies and modules only if you have previously defined a thermal model at the cell level.

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of three pouch cells.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells property.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 3, ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery module. A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of 14 parallel assemblies with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters. You also define the model resolution of the module.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created before and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, and ModelResolution properties.

```
detailedbatterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 14, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### **Define Thermal Boundary Conditions**

For your Module object, you can define the thermal paths to the ambient, the coolant, and the location of the cooling plate by using the AmbientThermalPath, CoolantThermalPath, and CoolingPlate properties.

#### **Define Ambient Thermal Path**

To define a thermal path to ambient, set the AmbientThermalPath property to "CellBasedThermalResistance". Setting this property automatically propagates its value to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Module object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your MATLAB workspace.

detailedbatterymodule.AmbientThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance";

This command adds and connects one Thermal Resistor block to every thermal port in a cell model. The other thermal ports from all resistors connect to a single thermal node. You can then connect this thermal node with a constant temperature source or other blocks in the Simscape libraries.



#### **Define Coolant Thermal Path**

To define a thermal path from cells to the coolant, set the CoolantThermalPath property to "CellBasedThermalResistance". Setting this property automatically propagates its value to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Module object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your MATLAB workspace.

detailedbatterymodule.CoolantThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance";

This command adds and connects one Thermal Resistor block to every thermal port in a cell model. The other thermal ports from all resistors connect to a single thermal node. You can then connect this thermal node with a constant temperature source or other blocks in the Simscape libraries. You can individually parameterize every thermal resistance with a different value.



You can use the Thermal Resistor block to capture the conduction resistance relative to the cell, the thermal interface materials, and other materials along the path to the coolant. If you define a cooling system such as a cooling plate for the battery module, the other thermal port of the Thermal Resistor block is connected to an array of thermal nodes connector.

#### **Define Cooling Plate Location**

To define the location of the cooling plate on your battery module, set the CoolingPlate property to either "Top" or "Bottom". Setting this property automatically propagates its value to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Module object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your MATLAB workspace.

```
detailedbatterymodule.CoolingPlate = "Bottom";
```

This command connects every thermal node of each cell model in your battery module to a corresponding element inside an array of thermal nodes connector. If a CoolantThermalPath has been enabled, then a thermal resistance will be added between each battery model and its corresponding element inside the arrary of thermal nodes.



#### Cooling Plate + CoolantThermalPath

Array of thermal nodes

The array of thermal nodes is exposed at the module level as a single connector but is multidimensional. You can connect an array of thermal nodes only to another array of thermal nodes of the same size. You can add a Cooling Plate block from the Simscape Battery library as heat sink.

To facilitate multi-dimensional thermal domain connections, you can use the ThermalNodes property of your Module object as input to the Cooling Plate block. You can view the number of thermal nodes, dimensions, and locations of the thermal nodes of the underlying cell models by accesing the ThermalNodes property.

disp(detailedbatterymodule.ThermalNodes);

```
Bottom: [1×1 struct]
Locations: [42×2 double]
Dimensions: [42×2 double]
NumNodes: 42
```

#### Visualize Battery Module and Check Model Resolution

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery Battery(Table-based) blocks used for the pack simulation, use the NumModels property of your Module object.

disp(detailedbatterymodule.NumModels);

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To visualize the battery module before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery module.

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery module. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
f = uifigure(Color="w");
tl = tiledlayout(1,2,"Parent",f,"TileSpacing","Compact");
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart1 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = detailedbatterymodule);
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart2 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = detailedbatterymodule, SimulationStrate)
```



For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### Build Simscape Model for the Battery Module Object

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Module object you created in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(detailedbatterymodule, "LibraryName", "moduleBTMSExample");

This function creates a library named moduleBTMSExample\_lib in your working directory. This library contains the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects.



ParallelAssemblies

To build a more detailed model of a battery pack, see the "Build Detailed Model of Battery Pack From Pouch Cells" on page 4-148 example.

For an application of a battery thermal effects model with a coolant thermal path, see the "Protect Battery During Charge and Discharge for Electric Vehicle" on page 4-77 example.

## See Also Battery Builder

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7
- "Connect Cooling Plate to Battery Blocks" on page 3-2

# **Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Aging**

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery pack that includes cell aging in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. Predicting the lifetime of battery cells under a specific application is fundamental to assess warranty risk, develop second-life applications, and perform virtual design verification.

To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

Once you have created your battery pack object, the buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of the battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Explore Battery Pack and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery pack and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery pack that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery pack data.

unzip('BatteryPackCellAging.zip');

Import the battery pack object stored inside the BatteryPackCellAging MAT file. Under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Import** section of the toolstrip, click **Import**. Then click **Import from MAT-file** and load the BatteryPackCellAging MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now displays a Pack object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Pack object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

承 Battery Builder: C	reate Battery Library		_		$\times$
Build Options					
Battery	Pack1 (Pack)				
Directory	C:\work			🔁 Brows	e
Library Name	Batteries				
Mask Parameters	NumericValues		•		
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues		•		
		Create Library		Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

### **Create Battery Pack Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery pack object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Pack object stored in the BatteryPackCellAging MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object and Specify Aging Effects**

To create the battery Module object, first create a Cell object of pouch format.

pouchgeometry = PouchGeometry()

The PouchGeometry object allows you to define the pouch geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this PouchGeometry object to create a pouch battery cell.

batterycell = Cell(Geometry = pouchgeometry)

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

The Cell object allows you to simulate the aging effects of the battery cell by specifying these properties:

• prm\_age\_capacity — Capacity calendar aging. This property allows you to decide whether to model the calendar aging effects on the capacity of a battery cell.

- prm\_age\_resistance Internal resistance calendar aging. This property allows you to decide whether to model the calendar aging effects on the internal resistance of a battery cell.
- prm\_age\_modeling Modeling option. This property allows you to specify how to mathematically model the aging effects on the capacity and internal resistance of a battery cell.

To simulate the cycling aging effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the prm fade property to "equations".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.prm\_fade = "equations";

The Cell object also allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port property to "model".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of three pouch cells.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells property according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 3, StackingAxis = "X");
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of 4 parallel assemblies stacked along the X axis, with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, and StackingAxis properties.

```
batterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
StackingAxis = "X");
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### **Create ModuleAssembly Object**

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery module assembly of five identical modules with an intergap between each module equal to 0.1 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleGap and StackingAxis properties.

```
batterymoduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(Module = repmat(batterymodule,1,5),...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.1,"m"), ...
StackingAxis = "Y");
```

For more information, see the ModuleAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of 5 identical module assemblies with an intergap between each module assembly of 0.01 meters and a coolant thermal path.

To create the Pack object, use the ModuleAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleAssemblyGap and CoolantThermalPath properties. Setting the CoolantThermalPath property automatically propagates its value to all the subcomponent battery objects inside this Pack object. However, this change does not propagate to the other battery objects in your MATLAB workspace.

```
batterypack = Pack(ModuleAssembly = repmat(batterymoduleassembly,1,5),...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.01,"m"),...
CoolantThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance");
```

For more information, see the Pack documentation page.

#### **Visualize Battery Pack and Check Model Resolution**

To visualize the battery pack before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery pack.

f = uifigure(Color="w");

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery pack. To view the model resolution of the module, set the **SimulationStrategyVisible** property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterypack, ...
SimulationStrategyVisible = "on");
```



To add default axis labels to the battery plot, use the setDefaultLabels method of the BatteryChart object.

For more information about the BatteryChart object, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### **Build Simscape Model for the Battery Pack Object**

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

buildBattery(batterypack, "LibraryName", "packAgingExample")

This function creates the packAgingExample\_lib and packAgingExample SLX library files in your working directory. The packAgingExample\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the packAgingExample\_lib. SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The packAgingExample library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

To see how to evaluate a new and end-of-life (EOL) lithium-ion battery pack, see the "Thermal Analysis for New and Aged Battery Packs" on page 4-105 example.

## See Also Battery Builder

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Build Model of Battery Pack with Cell Balancing Circuit**

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>m</sup> system model of a battery pack with cell balancing circuits in Simscape<sup>m</sup> Battery<sup>m</sup>. High voltage (> 60V) battery pack systems typically consist of multiple parallel assemblies or cells connected electrically in series. In these systems, the state of charge of individual parallel assemblies or cells often becomes unbalanced over time due to multiple causes.

To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

Once you have created your battery pack object, the buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Explore Battery Pack and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery pack and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery pack that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery pack data.

```
unzip('BatteryPackCellBalancing.zip');
```

Import the battery pack object stored inside the BatteryPackCellBalancing MAT file. Under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Import** section of the toolstrip, click **Import**. Then click **Import from MAT-file** and load the BatteryPackCellBalancing MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now displays a Pack object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Pack object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

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Build Options						
Battery	Pack1 (Pack)					
Directory	C:\work			6	Browse	ŧ
Library Name	Batteries					
Mask Parameters	NumericValues		•			
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues		•			
		Create Library			Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

#### **Create Battery Pack Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery pack object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Pack object stored in the BatteryPackCellBalancing MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the battery Pack object, first create a Cell object of cylindrical format.

```
cylindricalgeometry = CylindricalGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.07,"m"),...
Radius = simscape.Value(0.0105,"m"));
```

The CylindricalGeometry object allows you to define the cylindrical geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height and radius of the cell by setting the Height and Radius properties of the CylindricalGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the PouchGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this CylindricalGeometry object to create a cylindrical battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = cylindricalgeometry)
```

```
batterycell =
   Cell with properties:
    Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CylindricalGeometry]
```

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```
CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
```

Show all properties

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of four cylindrical cells stacked in a square topology over four rows.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells, Rows, and Topology properties according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 4, ...
Rows = 4, ...
Topology = "Square", ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of four parallel assemblies with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters. You also define the model resolution of the module and add an ambient thermal boundary condition.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, and ModelResolution properties.

```
batterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 4, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### Create ModuleAssembly Object

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery module assembly of two identical modules with an intergap between each module equal to 0.005 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleGap property.

```
batterymoduleassembly= ModuleAssembly(Module = repmat(batterymodule,1,2),...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"));
```

For more information, see the ModuleAssembly documentation page.

### **Create Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of two identical module assemblies with an intergap between each module assembly of 0.005 meters.

To create the Pack object, use the ModuleAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleAssemblyGap property.

batterypack= Pack(ModuleAssembly = repmat(batterymoduleassembly,1,2),... InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"));

For more information, see the Pack documentation page.

#### **Define Cell Balancing Strategy**

The Pack object allows you to define a cell balancing strategy. Specifying a balancing strategy adds an ideal passive balancing circuit to every parallel assembly inside the battery pack. The balancing circuit consists of a balancing resistor connected in series to a signal controlled switch.



To define the balancing strategy of your battery, set the **BalancingStrategy** property of the batterypack object to "**Passive**".

batterypack.BalancingStrategy = "Passive";

#### **Visualize Battery Pack and Check Model Resolution**

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery Battery(Table-based) blocks used for the pack simulation, use the NumModels property of your Pack object.

disp(batterypack.NumModels);

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To visualize the battery pack before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery pack.

f = uifigure(Color="w");

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery module. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
tl = tiledlayout(1,2,"Parent",f,"TileSpacing","Compact");
nexttile(tl)
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batterypack);
nexttile(tl)
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batterypack, SimulationStrategyVisible =
```



For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### **Build Simscape Model for the Battery Module Object**

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and

requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Module object in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(batterypack,"LibraryName","packBalancingExample");

This function creates the packBalancingExample\_lib and packBalancingExample SLX library files in your working directory. The packBalancingExample\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



ParallelAssemblies

To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the packBalancingExample\_lib SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The packBalancingExample library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

To learn how to implement a passive cell balancing strategy for a lithium-ion batery pack, see the "Size Resistor for Battery Passive Cell Balancing" on page 4-109 example.

### **See Also** Battery Builder

## **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Build Model of Battery Pack for Grid Application**

This example shows how to use Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup> to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery pack from prismatic cells for grid applications. Battery-based energy storage is a good option for integrating intermittent renewable energy sources into the grid. The battery pack is a 150 kWh prismatic battery for grid-level applications. To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

Once you have created your battery pack object, the buildBattery function function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

#### import simscape.battery.builder.\*
#### Explore Battery Pack and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery pack and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery pack that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery pack data.

```
unzip('BatteryPackGridApplication.zip');
```

Import the battery pack object from the BatteryPackGridApplication MAT file. Under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Import** section of the toolstrip, click **Import**. Then click **Import from MAT-file** and load the BatteryPackGridApplication MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now displays a Pack object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its

hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Pack object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

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Build Options					
Battery	Pack1 (Pack)				
Directory	C:\work			Browse	
Library Name	Batteries				
Mask Parameters	NumericValues	•	]		
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues	•	)		
		Create Library		Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

#### **Create Battery Pack Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery pack object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Pack object stored in the BatteryPackGridApplication MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the battery Pack object, first create a Cell object of prismatic format.

```
prismaticgeometry = PrismaticGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.2,"m"),...
Length = simscape.Value(0.35,"m"), Thickness = simscape.Value(0.07,"m"));
```

The PrismaticGeometry object allows you to define the pouch geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height, length, and thickness of the cell by setting the Height, Length, and Thickness properties of the PrismaticGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PouchGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this PrismaticGeometry object to create a prismatic battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = prismaticgeometry)
```

```
batterycell =
   Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PrismaticGeometry]
   CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
        Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

The Cell object allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port parameter to "model".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of one prismatic cell.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells property according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 1)
batteryparallelassembly =
ParallelAssembly with properties:
NumParallelCells: 1
Cell: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.Cell]
Topology: "SingleStack"
Rows: 1
ModelResolution: "Lumped"
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of 22 parallel assemblies with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies and InterParallelAssemblyGap properties.

```
batterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 22, ...
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Lumped")
batterymodule =
Module with properties:
NumSeriesAssemblies: 22
ParallelAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ParallelAssembly]
ModelResolution: "Lumped"
SeriesGrouping: 22
ParallelGrouping: 1
```

Show all properties

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### **Create ModuleAssembly Object**

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery module assembly of ten identical modules stacked on ten different levels, with an intergap between each module equal to 0.05 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleGap and NumLevels properties.

```
batterymoduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(Module = repmat(batterymodule,1,10),...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.05,"m"), ...
NumLevels = 10)
batterymoduleassembly =
ModuleAssembly with properties:
Module: [1×10 simscape.battery.builder.Module]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the ModuleAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of one module assembly.

To create the Pack object, use the ModuleAssembly object you created in the previous step.

```
batterypack = Pack(ModuleAssembly = batterymoduleassembly)
```

```
batterypack =
  Pack with properties:
   ModuleAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ModuleAssembly]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Pack documentation page.

#### Visualize Battery Pack and Check Model Resolution

To visualize the battery pack before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery pack.

```
f = uifigure(Color="w");
```

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery pack. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Parent = f, Battery = batterypack, ...
SimulationStrategyVisible = "on");
```



To add default axis labels to the battery plot, use the setDefaultLabels method of the BatteryChart object.

For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### Build Simscape Model for the Battery Pack Object

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Pack object you created in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(batterypack,"LibraryName","packGridExample");

This function creates the packGridExample\_lib and packGridExample SLX library files in your working directory. The packGridExample\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the packGridExample\_lib SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The packGridExample library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



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The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

For more information, see the buildBattery documentation page.

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## See Also **Battery Builder**

# More About

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7 .

# Build Simple Model of Battery Module in MATLAB and Simscape

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery module in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. The battery module is a 48 V battery for an electric bike application. To create the system model of a battery module, you must first create the Cell and ParallelAssembly objects that comprise the battery module, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery module object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies. These parallel assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

After you create your battery module object, the buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of a battery module. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Explore Battery Module and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery module and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery module that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery module data.

unzip('SimpleBatteryModule.zip');

Import the battery module object from the SimpleBatteryModule MAT file. Under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Import** section of the toolstrip, click **Import**. Then click **Import from MAT-file** and load the SimpleBatteryModule MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now displays a Module object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Module object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

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Build Options					
Battery	Module1 (Module)				
Directory	C:\work\			Browse	)
Library Name	Batteries		]		
Mask Parameters	NumericValues	•	)		
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues	•	)		
		Create Library		Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

#### **Create Battery Module Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery module object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Module object stored in the SimpleBatteryModule MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the battery Module object, first create a Cell object of cylindrical format.

```
cylindricalgeometry = CylindricalGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.07,"m"),...
Radius = simscape.Value(0.0105,"m"));
```

The CylindricalGeometry object allows you to define the cylindrical geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height and radius of the cell by setting the Height and Radius properties of the CylindricalGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the PouchGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this CylindricalGeometry object to create a cylindrical battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = CylindricalGeometry)
```

```
batterycell =
   Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CylindricalGeometry]
   CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
        Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

The Cell object allows you to simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell by using a simple 1-D model. To simulate the thermal effects of the battery cell, in the BlockParameters property of the CellModelOptions property of the Cell object, set the thermal\_port parameter to "model".

batterycell.CellModelOptions.BlockParameters.thermal\_port = "model";

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of four cylindrical cells stacked in a square topology over four rows.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells, Rows, and Topology properties according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 4, ...
Rows = 4, ...
Topology = "Square", ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed");
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery module. A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of 13 parallel assemblies with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters. You also define the model resolution of the module and add an ambient thermal boundary condition.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created before and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies, InterParallelAssemblyGap, ModelResolution, and AmbientThermalPath properties.

```
batterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 13, ...
```

```
InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"), ...
ModelResolution = "Detailed", ...
AmbientThermalPath = "CellBasedThermalResistance")
batterymodule =
Module with properties:
NumSeriesAssemblies: 13
ParallelAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ParallelAssembly]
ModelResolution: "Detailed"
SeriesGrouping: [1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]
ParallelGrouping: [4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 ]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### Visualize Battery Module and Check Model Resolution

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery(Table-based) blocks used for the pack simulation, use the NumModels property of your Module object.

disp(batterymodule.NumModels);

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To visualize the battery module before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object. Create the figure where you want to visualize your battery module.

```
f = uifigure(Color="w");
tl = tiledlayout(1,2,"Parent",f,"TileSpacing","Compact");
```

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery module. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart1 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batterymodule);
nexttile(tl)
batteryModuleChart2 = BatteryChart(Parent = tl, Battery = batterymodule, SimulationStrategyVisib)
```



For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

#### Build Simscape Model for the Battery Module Object

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to be able to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Module object in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(batterymodule, "LibraryName", "moduleLibrary");

This function creates a library named moduleLibrary\_lib in your working directory. This library contains the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects.



To build a battery pack model, see the "Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape" on page 4-211 example.

## See Also Battery Builder

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7

# **Build Simple Model of Battery Pack in MATLAB and Simscape**

This example shows how to create and build a Simscape<sup>™</sup> system model of a battery pack in Simscape<sup>™</sup> Battery<sup>™</sup>. The battery pack is a 400 V pouch battery for automotive applications. To create the system model of a battery pack, you must first create the Cell, ParallelAssembly, Module, and ModuleAssembly objects that comprise the battery pack, and then use the buildBattery function.

This figure shows the overall process to create a battery pack object in a bottom-up approach:



Number of cells

A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies. These module assemblies, in turn, comprise a number of battery modules connected electrically in series or in parallel. The battery modules are made of multiple parallel assemblies which, in turn, comprise a number of battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement.

Once you have created your battery pack object, the buildBattery function creates a library in your working folder that contains a system model block of the battery pack. You can use this system model as a reference in your simulations. The run-time parameters for these models, such as the battery cell impedance or the battery open-circuit voltage, are defined after the model creation and are therefore not covered by the Battery Pack Builder classes. To define the run-time parameters, you can either specify them in the block mask of the generated Simscape models or use the MaskParameters argument of the buildBattery function.

To use the functions and objects in Simscape Battery, first import the required Simscape Battery package:

#### import simscape.battery.builder.\*

#### Explore Battery Pack and Build Model in Battery Builder App

In this example, you programmatically create the battery pack and all its subcomponents by calling the relevant objects and functions in the MATLAB Command Window. Alternatively, if you prefer a more interactive and visual approach, you can use the **Battery Builder** app. Using this app, you can interactively import existing battery objects or build them from scratch, explore and edit properties, and view the battery hierarchy and 3-D visualization. You can then build the Simscape system model of your objects and use it as a reference in your simulations. You can also export the objects in your workspace. To learn how to use the Battery Builder app to generate battery objects and build Simscape models, see the "Get Started with Battery Builder App" on page 4-31 example.

Start by exploring the battery pack that you create by following this example. Open the Battery Builder app.

batteryBuilder

In the workspace, unzip the battery pack data.

```
unzip('SimpleBatteryPack.zip');
```

Import the battery pack object from the SimpleBatteryPack MAT file. Under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Import** section of the toolstrip, click **Import**. Then click **Import from MAT-file** and load the SimpleBatteryPack MAT file.

The Battery Builder app now comprises a Pack object and each of its subcomponents.



The **Battery Browser** panel on the left of the app contains all the battery objects in the current active session of the app. You can select an object, visualize it in the **Selected Battery** tab, check its hierarchy and child objects in the **Battery Hierarchy** panel, and edit its properties in the **Properties** panel on the right of the app.

You can edit properties of the plot under the **Battery Chart** tab, such as the axes labels, axes direction, title of the plot, and lights. You can also check the current simulation strategy and model resolution of the selected battery object. To visualize the simulation strategy in the plot, in the **Simulation Strategy** section of the toolstrip, check the **Visible** box.

Finally, to create a library model of the Pack object, under the **Battery Builder** tab, in the **Library** section of the toolstrip, click **Create Library**. In the new window, specify the folder in which you want to save the library, the library name, and whether to use numeric values or variable names for the mask parameters and mask initial targets.

承 Battery Builder: Create Battery Library		_		×	
Build Options					
Battery	Pack1 (Pack)				
Directory	C:\work			Browse	
Library Name	Batteries				
Mask Parameters	NumericValues	•	]		
Mask Initial Targets	NumericValues	•	]		
		Create Library		Cancel	

Click **Create Library** to generate the library model of your battery object in the specified folder. Open this model to access your battery objects as Simscape blocks that you can use as a starting point for architecture evaluation in early development stages, software and hardware development, system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

#### **Create Battery Pack Object in MATLAB**

This section shows how to programmatically generate the battery pack object you have explored in the app from the MATLAB Command Window. This is the same Pack object stored in the SimpleBatteryPack MAT file.

#### **Create Cell Object**

To create the battery Pack object, first create a Cell object of pouch format.

```
pouchgeometry = PouchGeometry(Height = simscape.Value(0.1,"m"),...
Length = simscape.Value(0.3,"m"), TabLocation = "Opposed" )
```

```
pouchgeometry =
  PouchGeometry with properties:
        Length: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Thickness: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        TabLocation: "Opposed"
        TabWidth: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        TabHeight: [1×1 simscape.Value]
        Height: [1×1 simscape.Value]
```

The PouchGeometry object allows you to define the pouch geometrical arrangement of the battery cell. You can specify the height, length, and location of tabs of the cell by setting the Height, Length, and TabLocation properties of the PouchGeometry object. For more information on the possible geometrical arrangements of a battery cell, see the CylindricalGeometry and PrismaticGeometry documentation pages.

Now use this PouchGeometry object to create a pouch battery cell.

```
batterycell = Cell(Geometry = pouchgeometry)
```

```
batterycell =
  Cell with properties:
        Geometry: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.PouchGeometry]
        CellModelOptions: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.CellModelBlock]
            Mass: [1×1 simscape.Value]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Cell documentation page.

#### **Create ParallelAssembly Object**

A battery parallel assembly comprises multiple battery cells connected electrically in parallel under a specific topological configuration or geometrical arrangement. In this example, you create a parallel assembly of three pouch cells.

To create the ParallelAssembly object, use the Cell object you created before and specify the NumParallelCells property according to your design.

```
batteryparallelassembly = ParallelAssembly(Cell = batterycell,...
NumParallelCells = 3)
batteryparallelassembly =
ParallelAssembly with properties:
NumParallelCells: 3
Cell: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.Cell]
Topology: "SingleStack"
Rows: 1
ModelResolution: "Lumped"
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the ParallelAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Module Object**

A battery module comprises multiple parallel assemblies connected in series. In this example, you create a battery module of 11 parallel assemblies with an intergap between each assembly of 0.005 meters.

To create the Module object, use the ParallelAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the NumSeriesAssemblies and InterParallelAssemblyGap properties.

```
batterymodule = Module(ParallelAssembly = batteryparallelassembly,...
NumSeriesAssemblies = 11, InterParallelAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.005,"m"))
```

```
batterymodule =
  Module with properties:
  NumSeriesAssemblies: 11
    ParallelAssembly: [1×1 simscape.battery.builder.ParallelAssembly]
    ModelResolution: "Lumped"
    SeriesGrouping: 11
    ParallelGrouping: 1
```

```
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Module documentation page.

#### Create ModuleAssembly Object

A battery module assembly comprises multiple battery modules connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery module assembly of two identical modules with an intergap between each module equal to 0.1 meters. By default, the ModuleAssembly object electrically connects the modules in series.

To create the ModuleAssembly object, use the Module object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleGap property.

```
batterymoduleassembly = ModuleAssembly(Module = repmat(batterymodule,1,2),...
InterModuleGap = simscape.Value(0.1,"m"))
batterymoduleassembly =
ModuleAssembly with properties:
Module: [1×2 simscape.battery.builder.Module]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the ModuleAssembly documentation page.

#### **Create Pack Object**

You now have all the foundational elements to create your battery pack. A battery pack comprises multiple module assemblies connected in series or in parallel. In this example, you create a battery pack of 5 identical module assemblies with an intergap between each module assembly of 0.01 meters.

To create the Pack object, use the ModuleAssembly object you created in the previous step and specify the InterModuleAssemblyGap property.

```
batterypack = Pack(ModuleAssembly = repmat(batterymoduleassembly,1,5),...
InterModuleAssemblyGap = simscape.Value(0.01,"m"))
batterypack =
    Pack with properties:
    ModuleAssembly: [1×5 simscape.battery.builder.ModuleAssembly]
Show all properties
```

For more information, see the Pack documentation page.

### Visualize Battery Pack and Check Model Resolution

To obtain the number of Simscape Battery(Table-Based) blocks used for the pack simulation, use the NumModels property of your Pack object.

```
disp(batterypack.NumModels);
```

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To visualize the battery pack before you build the system model and to view its model resolution, use the BatteryChart object.

Then use the BatteryChart object to visualize the battery pack. To view the model resolution of the module, set the SimulationStrategyVisible property of the BatteryChart object to "On".

```
batterypackchart = BatteryChart(Parent = uifigure, Battery = batterypack, ...
SimulationStrategyVisible = "on");
```



To add default axis labels to the battery plot, use the setDefaultLabels method of the BatteryChart object.

For more information, see the BatteryChart documentation page.

### Build Simscape Model for the Battery Pack Object

After you have created your battery objects, you need to convert them into Simscape models to be able to use them in block diagrams. You can then use these models as reference for your system integration and requirement evaluation, cooling system design, control strategy development, hardware-in-the-loop, and many more applications.

To create a library that contains the Simscape Battery model of the Pack object you created in this example, use the buildBattery function.

buildBattery(batterypack, "LibraryName", "packLibrary");

This function creates the packLibrary\_lib and packLibrary SLX library files in your working directory. The packLibrary\_lib library contains the Modules and ParallelAssemblies sublibraries.



To access the Simscape models of your Module and ParallelAssembly objects, open the packLibrary\_lib. SLX file, double-click the sublibrary, and drag the Simscape blocks in your model.

The packLibrary library contains the Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects.



The Simscape models of your ModuleAssembly and Pack objects are subsystems. You can look inside these subsystems by opening the packLibrary SLX file and double-click the subsystem.

To learn how to include thermal effects in a battery pack, see the "Build Model of Battery Module with Thermal Effects" on page 4-170 example.

To build a more detailed model of a battery pack, see the "Build Detailed Model of Battery Pack From Pouch Cells" on page 4-148 example.

To learn how to model a battery energy storage system (BESS) controller and a battery management system (BMS) with all the necessary functions for the peak shaving, see the "Peak Shaving with Battery Energy Storage System" on page 4-95 example.

See Also Battery Builder

# **More About**

- "Battery Modeling Workflow" on page 2-2
- "Manage Battery Run-Time Parameters with Centralized Script" on page 2-7