

# Comparison of the battery test protocols of China and USABC



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For Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicles**

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✓ The principal objective of Any test procedures is the comparison of the battery performance with **battery targets** for Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles

# Contents of test manual from China

No.	Test items	No.	Test items
1	Basic Properties(appearance, Polarity, Weight and size)	5	Hybrid pulse test
2	AC resistance	6	Cycle life test
3	Capacity(20°C,-20°C,55°C)	7	Self discharge
4	Power test	8	Safe test(Short circuit, Extrusion, Needle test, Drop test , High temperature test, Over charge or discharge)

✓ For single battery test and only detect the performance of the battery with no reference goals

# Comparison of two method

## USABC

- CS energy
- CD energy
- Cold Crank
- Calendar life
- Reference Performance

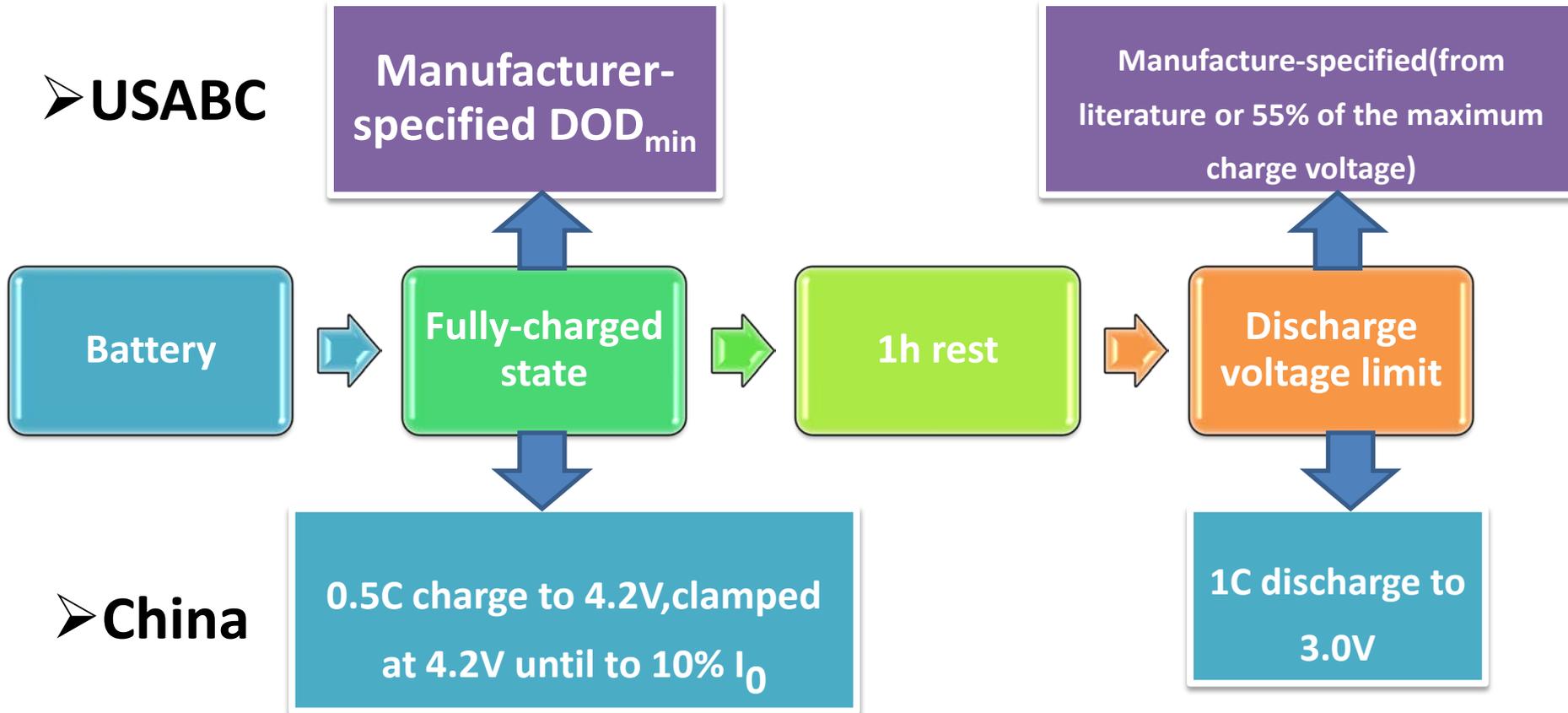
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- Capacity
- Hybrid pulse test
- Cycle life test
- Self discharge
- Thermal Performance

## China

- Basic Properties
- AC resistance
- Safe test

# Capacity Test Method



❑ Same :test procedure and 1h rest before test

❑ Different :how to specify the DOD<sub>min</sub> and DOD<sub>max</sub>

# Hybrid Pulse Test

Intended to determine dynamic power capability over the device's useable voltage range using a test profile that incorporates both discharge and regen pulses.

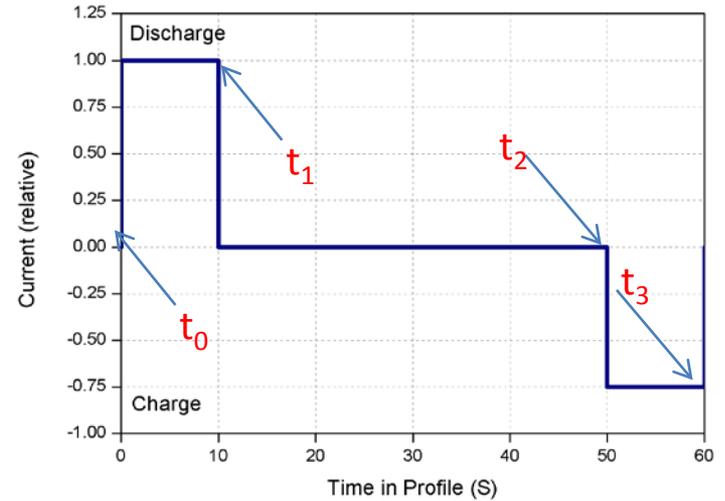
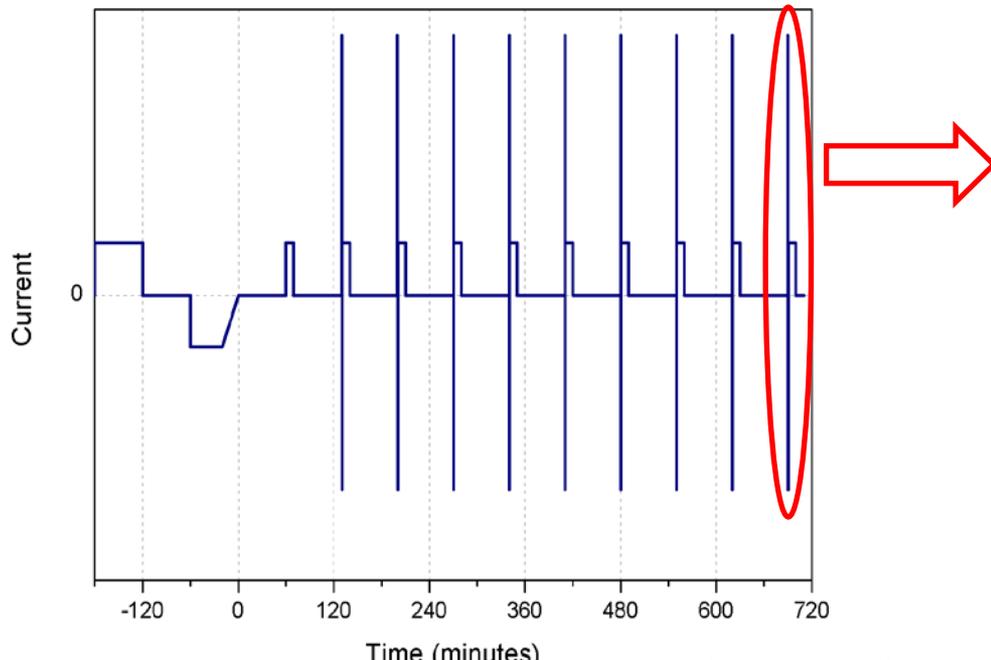
- ✓ Performance characteristics to derive:
  - Resistance
  - Power Capability
  - Charge-Sustaining Available Energy
  - Charge-Depleting Available Energy
  - Available Power

USABC



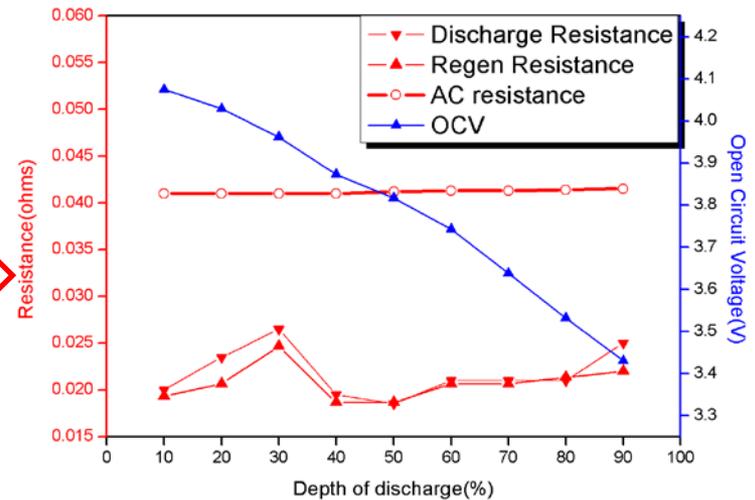
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# HPPC



$$\text{Discharge Resistance} = \frac{\Delta V_{\text{discharge}}}{\Delta I_{\text{discharge}}} = \left| \frac{V_{t_1} - V_{t_0}}{I_{t_1} - I_{t_0}} \right|$$

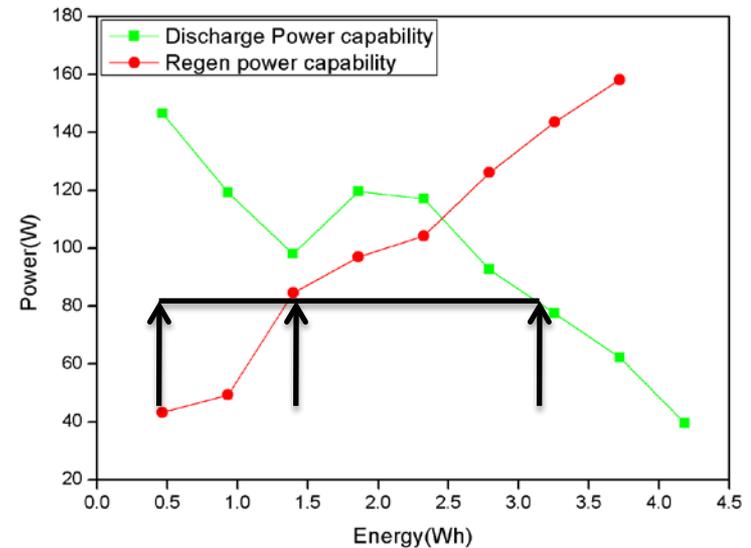
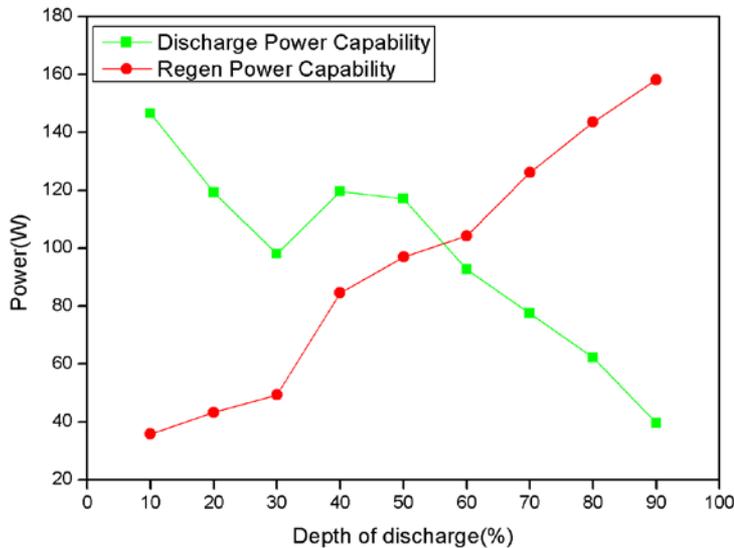
$$\text{Regen Resistance} = \frac{\Delta V_{\text{regen}}}{\Delta I_{\text{regen}}} = \left| \frac{V_{t_3} - V_{t_2}}{I_{t_3} - I_{t_2}} \right|$$



# HPPC

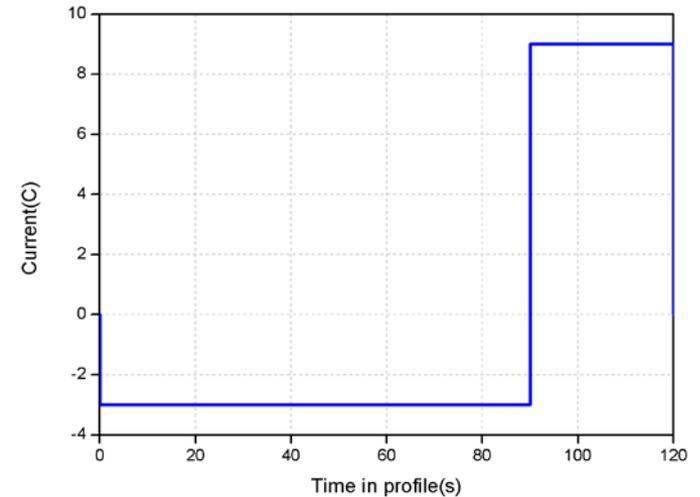
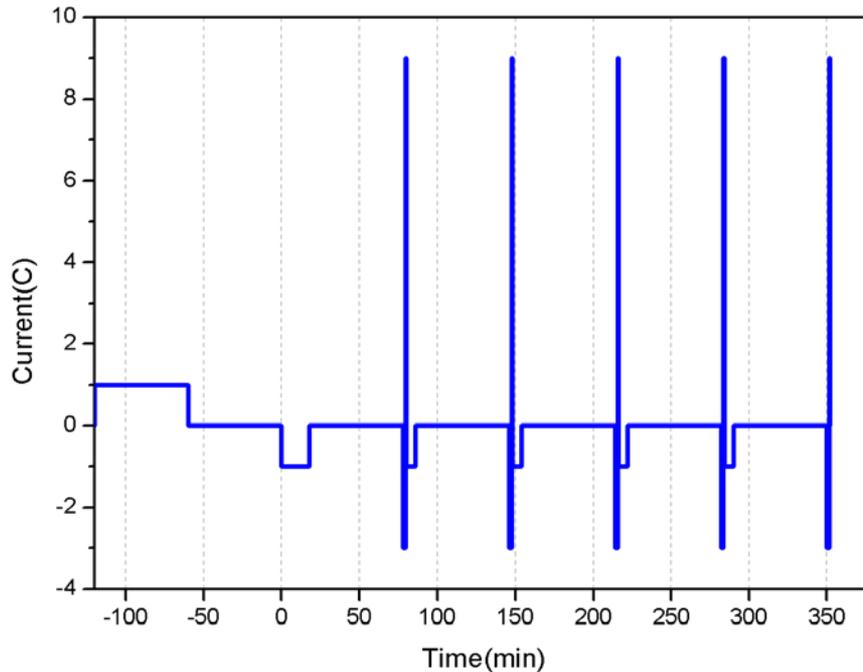
$$\text{Discharge Pulse Power Capability} = V_{\text{MIN}} \frac{OCV_{\text{dis}} - V_{\text{MIN}}}{R_{\text{discharge}}} = V_{\text{MIN}} \bullet I_{\text{dis}} \frac{OCV_{\text{dis}} - V_{\text{MIN}}}{OCV_{\text{dis}} - V_{\text{dis}}}$$

$$\text{Regen Pulse Power Capability} = V_{\text{MAX}} \frac{V_{\text{MAX}} - OCV_{\text{regen}}}{R_{\text{regen}}} = V_{\text{MAX}} \bullet I_{\text{regen}} \frac{V_{\text{MAX}} - OCV_{\text{regen}}}{V_{\text{regen}} - OCV_{\text{regen}}}$$



Results: CS available energy and power, CD available energy and power

# Pulse Power Test from China



$$\text{Discharge Resistance} = \frac{\Delta V_{\text{discharge}}}{\Delta I_{\text{discharge}}}, (\Delta T = 5 \text{ sec})$$

## •Results:

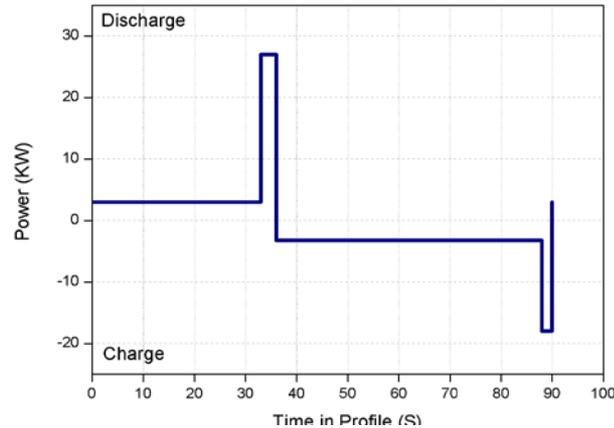
- Energy Efficiency
- Discharge Resistance

# Cycle life test

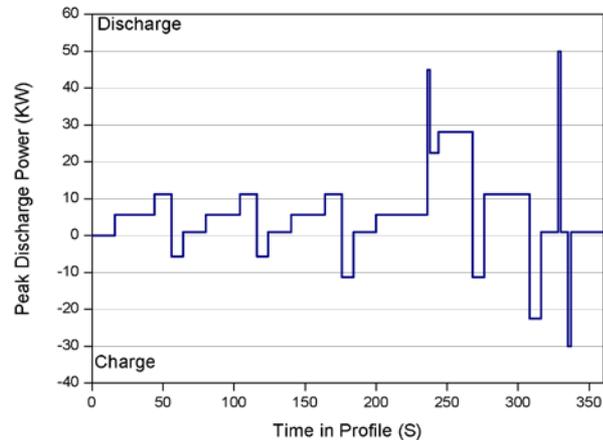
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Charge – Sustaining

Charge-Depleting



- Verify stable operation at the selected SOC point before test
- Reference performance test every 30000 cycles
- Every profile : -6.2Wh



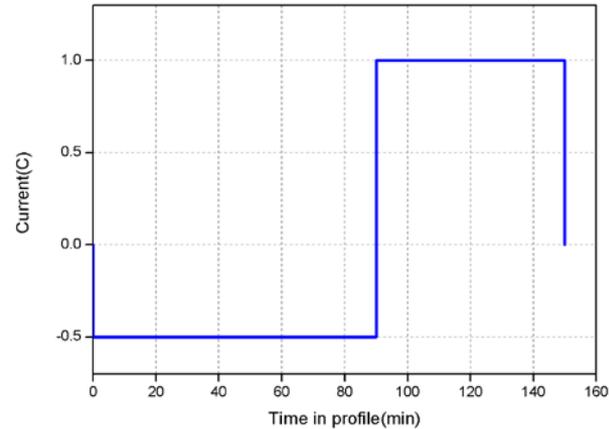
- Start at 10%DOD  
Recharge every 5 cycles
- Reference performance test every 2500 recharge
- Every profile :545.6Wh

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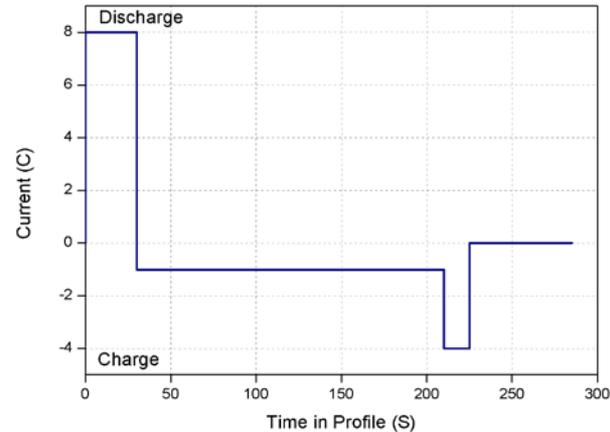
China

General cycle life

Working condition cycle life



- Charge to 20% DOD every cycle
- Voltage: 4.2V for charge and 3V for discharge
- Reference performance test every 25 cycles



- Start at 30% DOD
- Repeat the test profile 100 times as a cycle
- 40%DOD 1 cycle , 50%DOD 2 cycles , 60%DOD 2 cycles , 50%DOD 2 cycles , 40%DOD 1 cycle , 30%DOD 1cycle

**End-of-test condition: degradation of the battery capacity is more than 20%**

# Self discharge

$$\text{Self Discharge} = \frac{C_{\text{before test}} - (C_{\text{part1}} + C_{\text{part2}})}{\text{Stand Time in Days}}$$

	USABC	China
Capacity measurement	discharge use a constant scaled 10-KW rate to voltage limit(Wh)	discharge use 1C current to voltage limit(Ah)
Test condition	remove the CD available energy	full charged state
Test temperature	30 °C	20 °C and 55 °C
Nominal interval	7 days or interval yield capacity loss of more than 5%	28 days at 20 °C and 7 days at 55 °C

**Capacity recovery: there must be no visible capacity loss before and after self discharge test**

# Thermal Performance

- **Laboratory cell level:**
  - **Characterize the performance as a function of temperature**
  - **Bound the likely constraints on thermal management**
- **System level:**
  - **Thermal management system design and behavior**

	<b>USABC</b>	<b>China</b>
<b>Initial Fully Charge Temperature</b>	<b>30°C</b>	<b>20°C</b>
<b>Target Temperature</b>	<b>Not specify(-30 to +52°C)</b>	<b>-22°C and +55°C</b>
<b>Thermal Equalization Time</b>	<b>4-8h</b>	<b>16h at -22°C and 5h at 55°C</b>
<b>Test Content</b>	<b>capacity test Low HPPC test</b>	<b>capacity test Hybrid pulse test DC resistances</b>
<b>Objective</b>	<b>fraction of the CS Available power target</b>	<b>energy efficiency at various temperature</b>

# Calendar life test

- Careful planning and analysis of calendar life tests are critical to estimation of battery life with high confidence.
- Calendar life estimates are necessarily based on accelerated test methods(High temperature)
- Achieve high rates of deterioration to minimize test time and cost
- Avoid introducing irrelevant failure modes at too high temperature

# Interesting cooperation area

- The life accelerating test method.
- The safety performance evaluation grade definition
- Mechanism of safety