

Battery Characteristics & Ratings - Part 2

Theoretical Voltage of a cell - $E^0 = V_{cathode} - V_{anode}$

Theoretical Energy/Capacity of a cell (Wh) = Voltage (V) x Charge (Ah)

Theoretical capacity (g/Ah) $C_{cell} = 1/EC_a + 1/EC_c$ where EC_a and EC_c are electrochemical equivalent Ah/g capacities.

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Discharge Power Rate

$$P = M \cdot E_n$$

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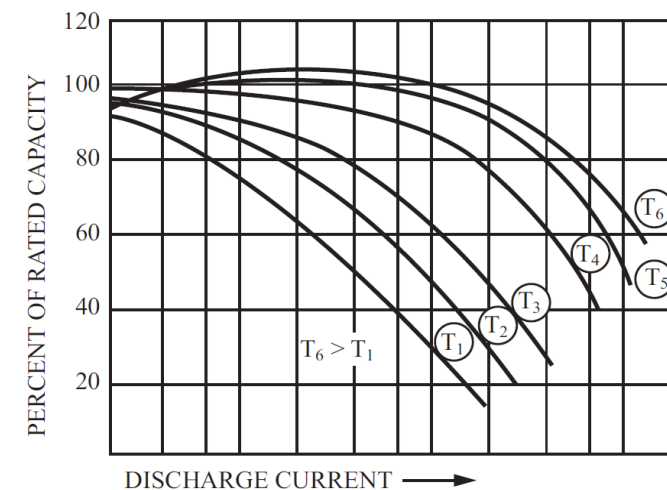
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Effect of temperature on battery capacity

For a given temperature, higher discharge current (load) results in a reduced battery capacity.

For a given discharge current (load), higher temperature results in a higher battery capacity.



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Peukert's Relation for Lead-Acid Batteries

$$C_p = I^k t$$

C_p = Ah capacity for 1A constant discharge current

I = actual discharge current

k = Peukert's constant

t = discharge time (h)

$$t = H(C/1H)^k$$

C = nominal Ah capacity at discharge period H (both specified by manufacturer)

k = Peukert's constant

t = actual discharge time (h) at discharge current