

# MATLAB EXPO

## Going Beyond the Electrical in Modelling Energy Storage Systems

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## Key Takeaways

- Energy Storage can extend far beyond just electrical modeling
- Critical to simulate real world power storage challenges
- Use MATLAB & Simulink to accelerate problem solving throughout the design cycle

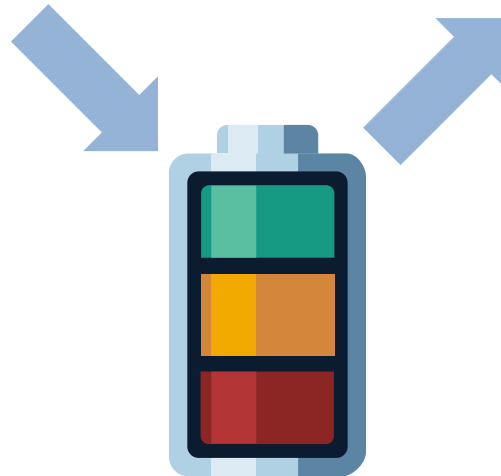


# Growth in Grid Connected Energy Storage

The way we generate energy is changing



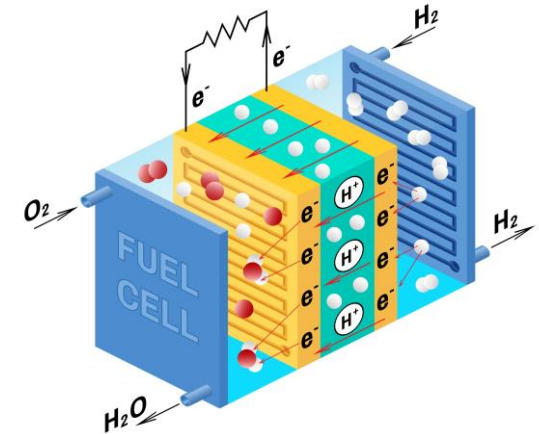
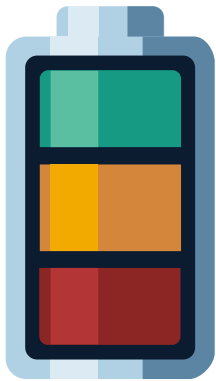
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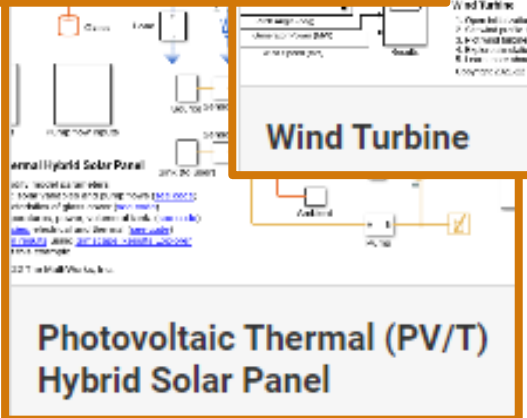
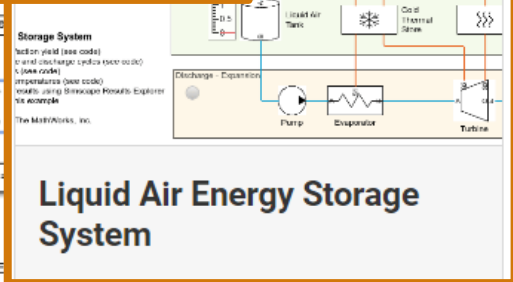
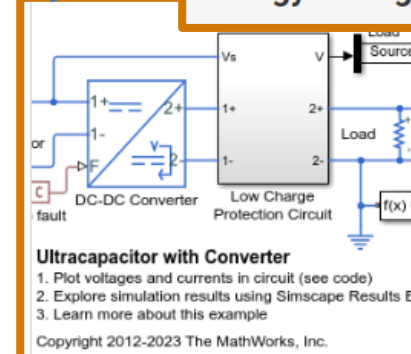
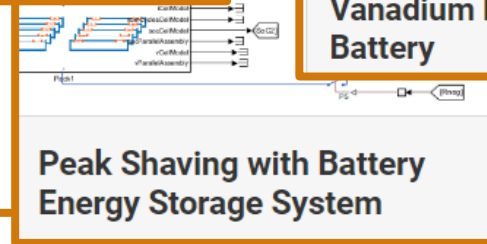
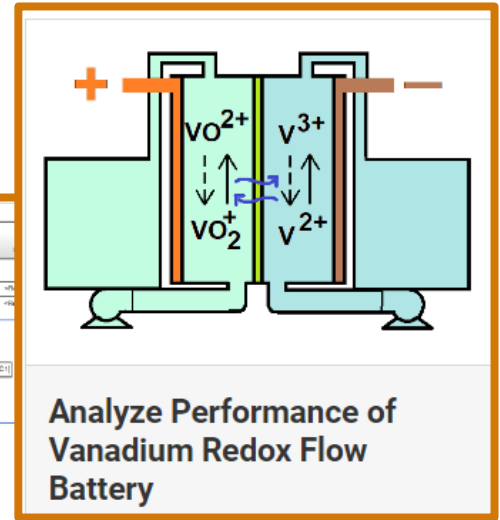
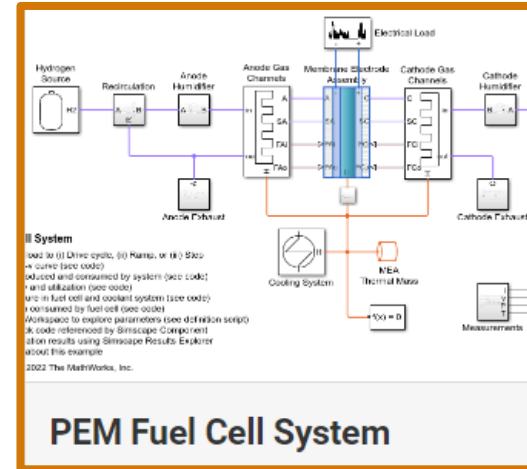
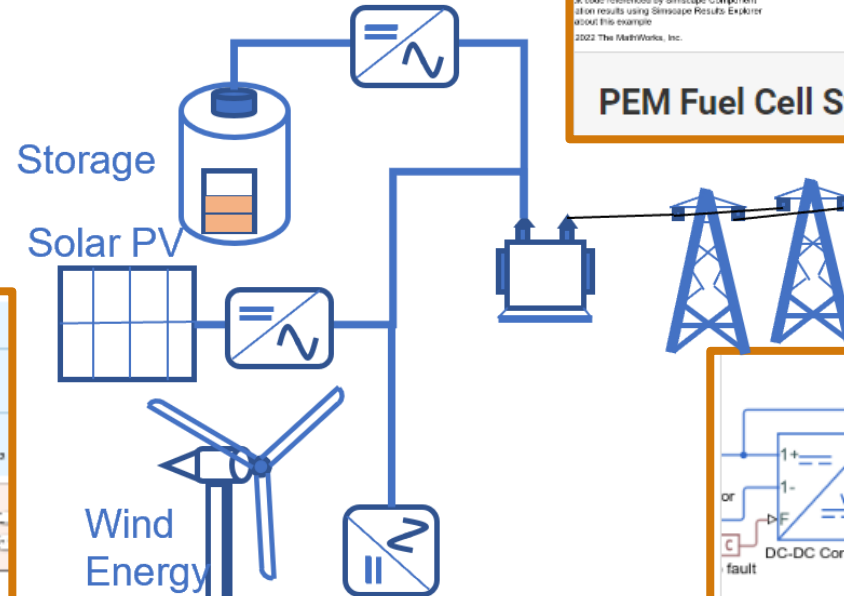
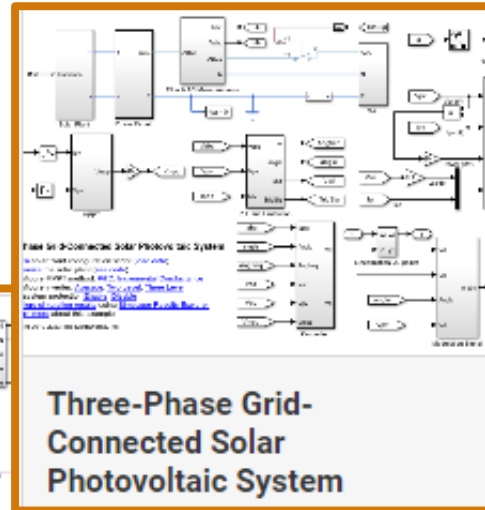
More than 80GW of energy storage projects proposed and under development across the UK

# Energy Storage is not just Batteries

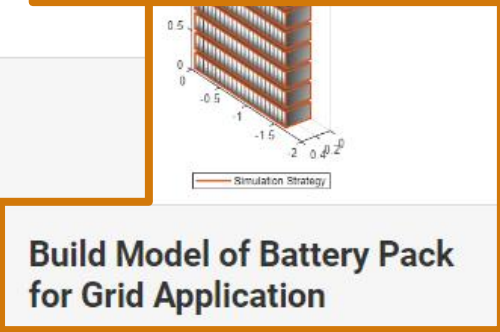
How long do we need to store energy for?



# Exploring Technology Options



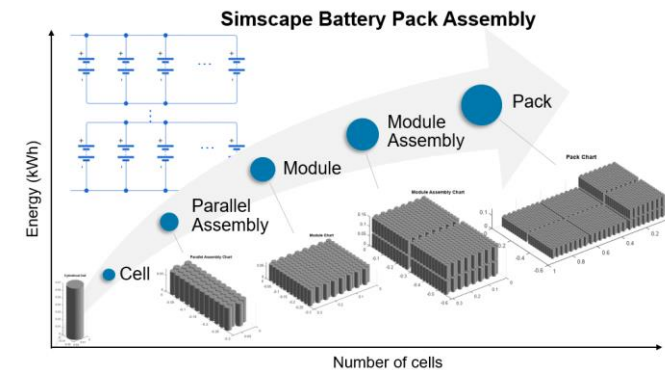
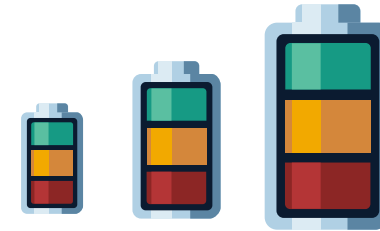
Evaluate Performance of Grid-Forming Battery Energy Storage Systems in Solar PV Plants



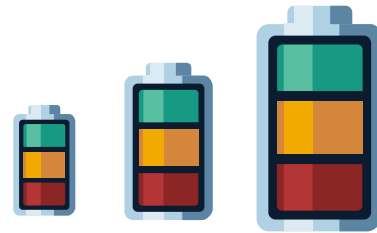


# Different Phases of Design

- System concepts, sizing and costs
- Detailed component & control design
- Modelling faults to design protection systems



# Concept Stage



# System Exploration

Technoeconomic analysis

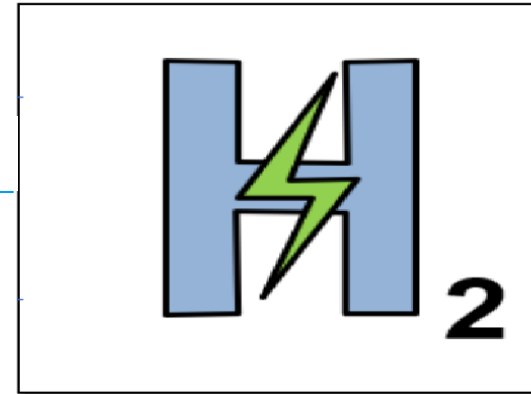


Sun  
(irradiance)



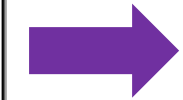
Solar Array

Electricity

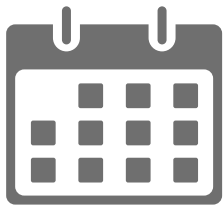


Electrolyzer

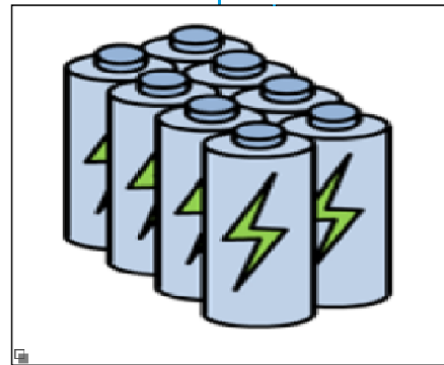
Early design with many assumptions



Hydrogen  
(gas)



Predict performance over a year



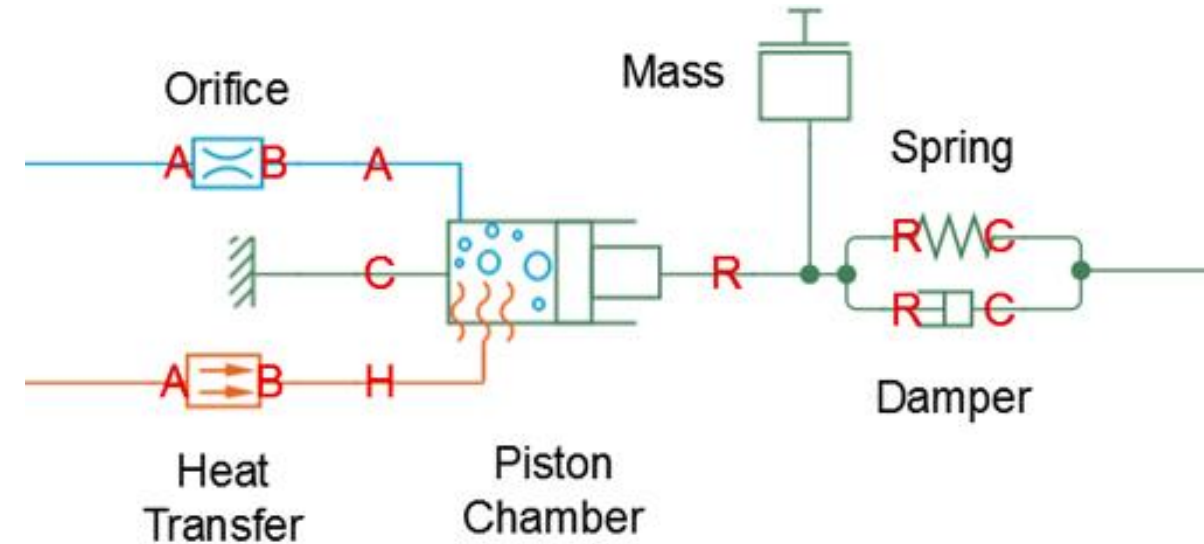
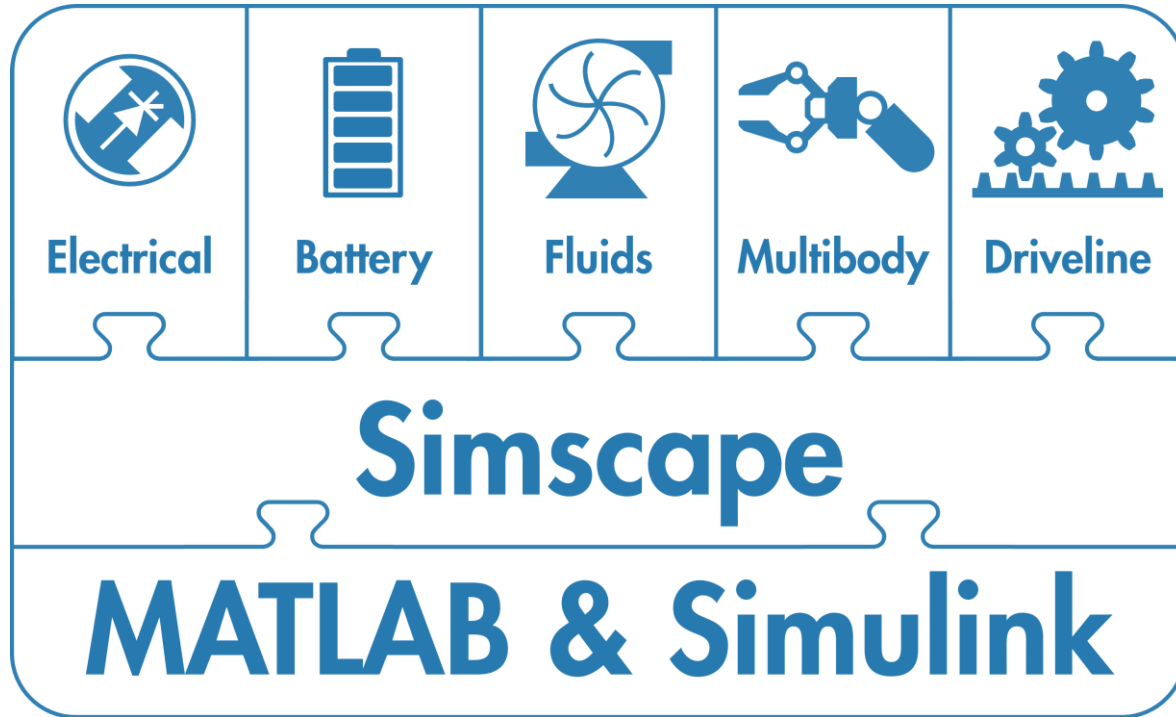
Energy storage



Identify optimal location



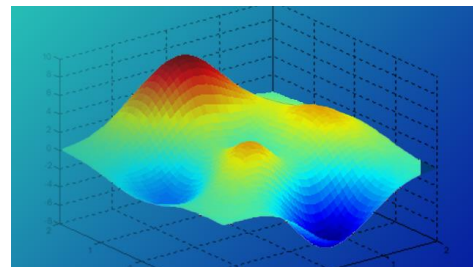
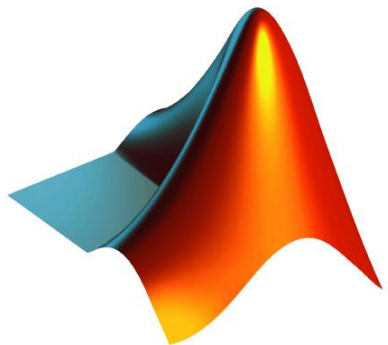
# Cost Analysis with MATLAB & Simulink



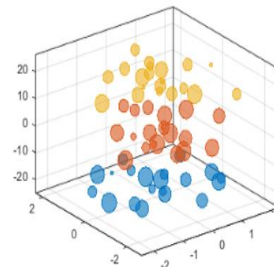
What about



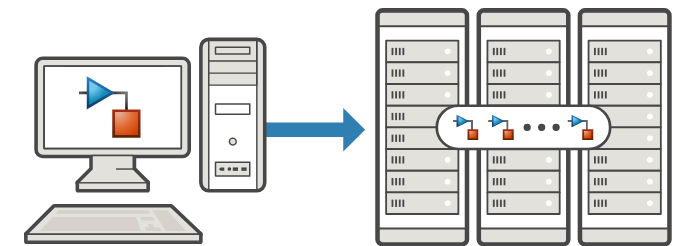
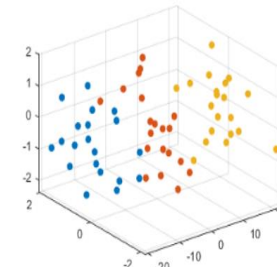
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Optimization Algorithms



Visualization



Prototype

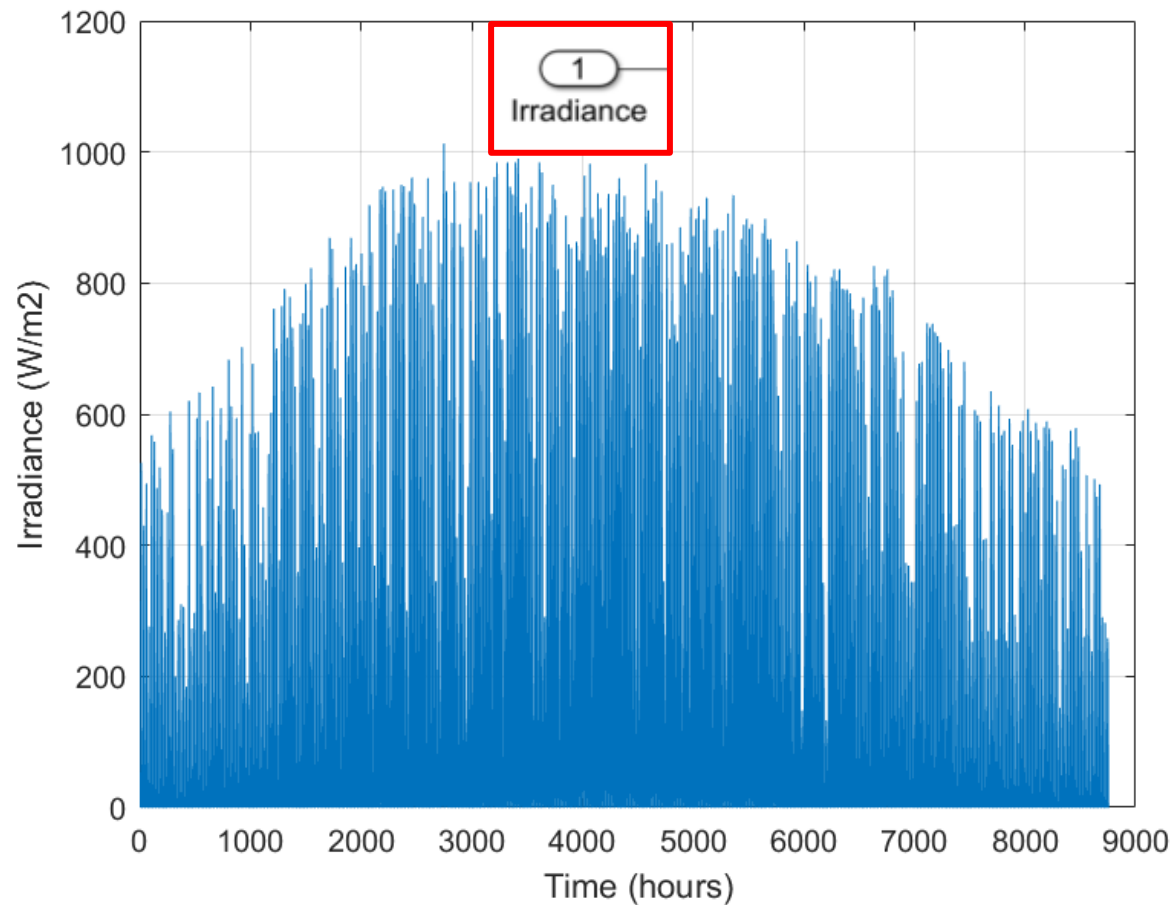
Scale

Parallelization & Scaling

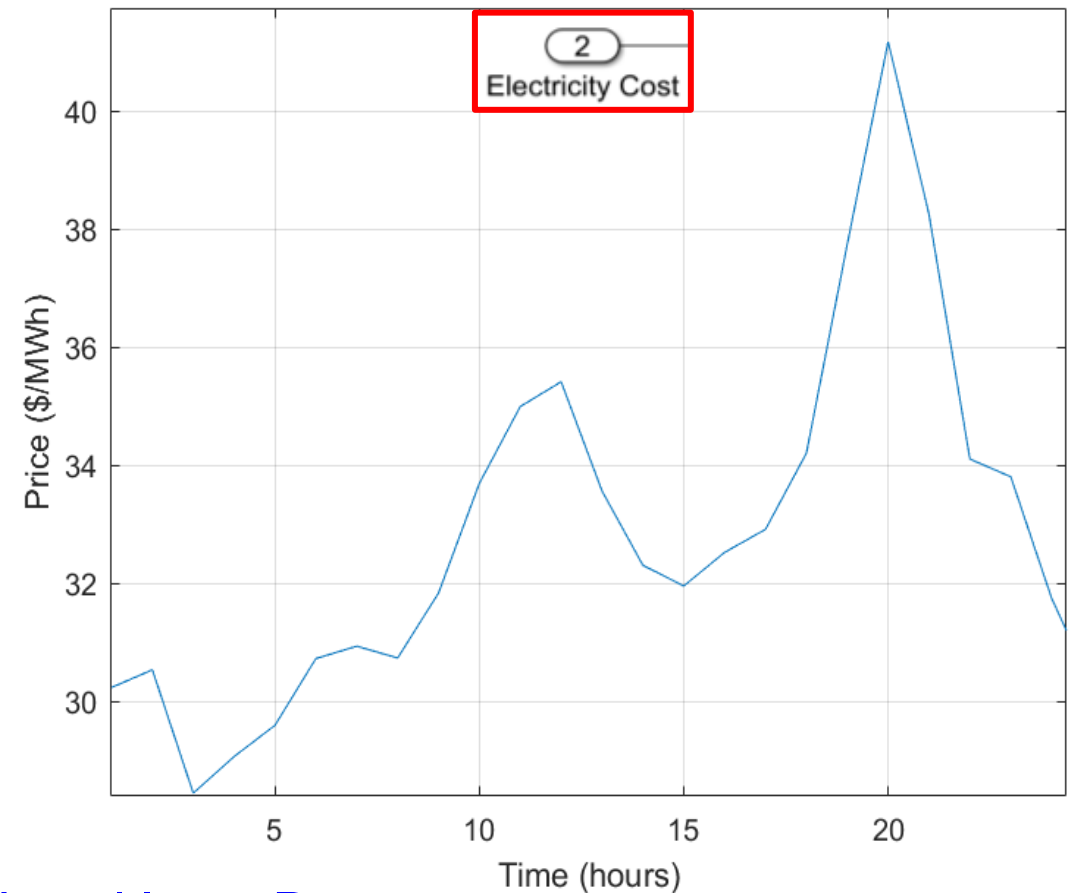


# Injecting Real World Data

The irradiance data is 8760 TMY3 from National Renewable Energy Laboratory.



Electricity price data is averaged one day of data from system operators.



[Load Data to Root-Level Input Ports](#)

# Goal of Simulation / Level of Fidelity

Detailed component modelling

System level modelling

## Control Response Dynamics

- Modeling mechanical balance
- Understanding fault scenarios and impacts on performance
- Setting tolerance requirements

## Quasi-Steady State

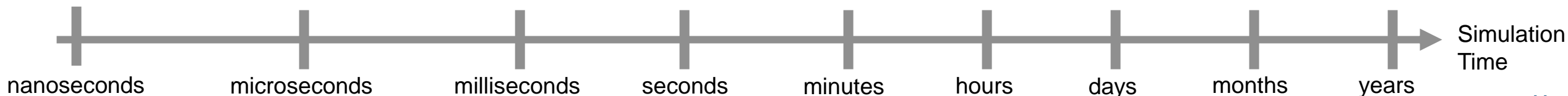
- Energy flow simulation
- Idealized power sources and loads
- Used for sizing & planning purposes (e.g. energy storage)

## High Frequency Power Electronic Switching

- Detailed modelling of semiconductors and converter dynamics
- Optimizing waveforms and losses at component level

## Thermal dynamics

- Transient thermal response
- Coupling thermal dependency to electrical performance



# Techniques for Reduced Order Modelling

## Model Based

*"model reduction"*

Modal Projection

Modal Truncation

Proper Orthogonal Decomposition

Structural Reduction

Balanced Truncation

## Data Driven

*"model fitting"*

### Static Model Fitting

Curve Fitting

Lookup tables

### Dynamic Model Identification

Local Linear  
Models

Linear Parameter  
Varying

ARMAX

Box-Jenkins

Linearization

Hammerstein  
Wiener Models

Output-Error  
Models

Non-Linear  
ARX

### Machine Learning

Regression  
Trees

Support Vector  
Machines

Neural ODEs

Ensembles

Gaussian  
Process Models

Recurrent  
Neural Networks

Shallow  
Neural Networks

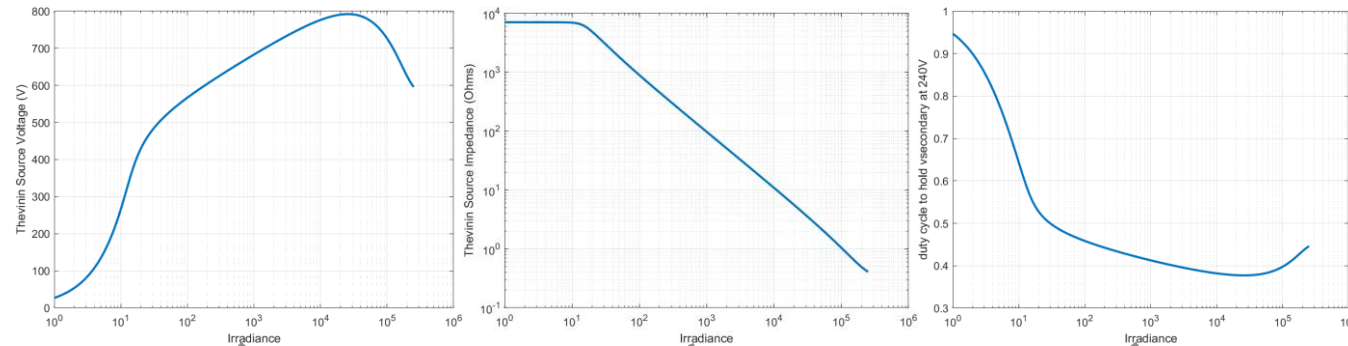
Convolutional  
Neural Networks

Physically Inspired  
Neural Networks

# ROM Implementation

Performance  
assessment

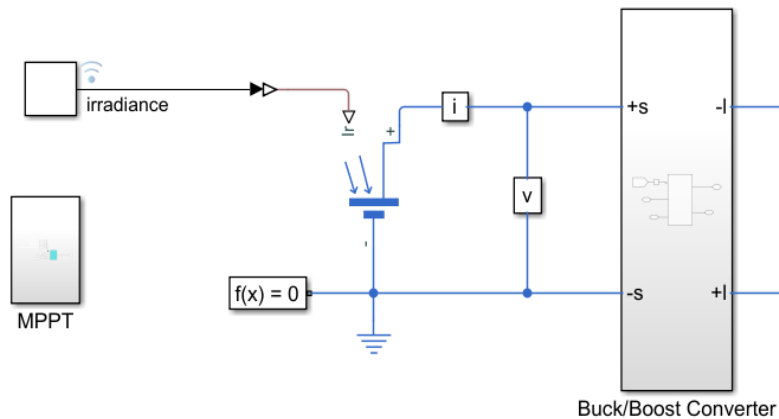
Medium  
fidelity



Techno-economic  
analysis

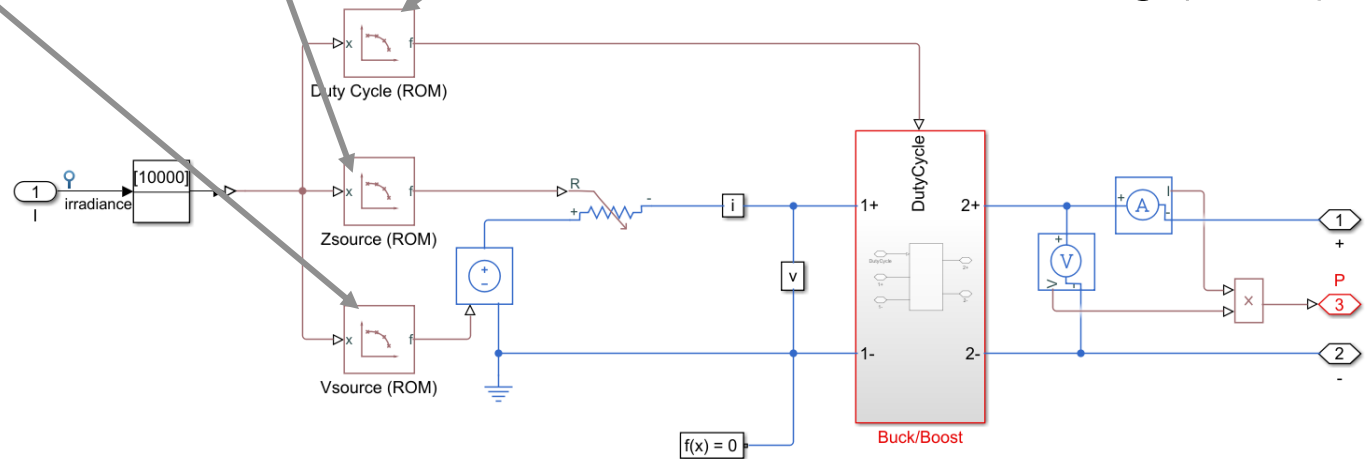
Low  
fidelity

Solar cell &  
MPPT algorithm



Capture steady state operating point

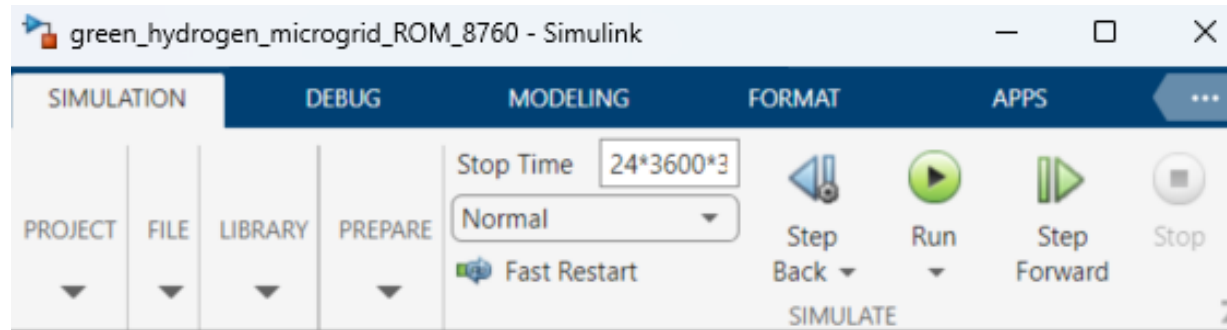
Reduced Order  
Modeling (ROM)



Quasi-steady lookup table model



# Clean Instancing for Model Setup



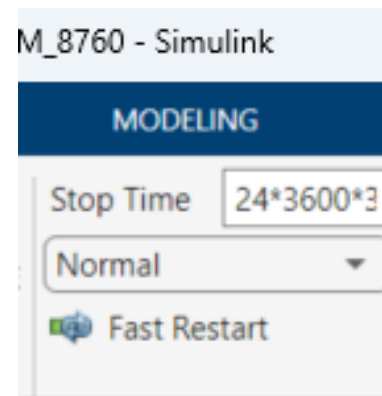
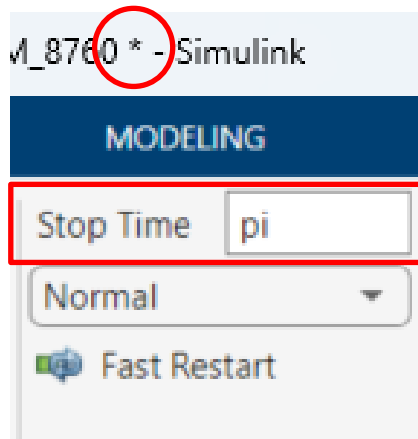
StopTime = "24\*3600\*365"

To change this via script:

```
set_param(gcs, StopTime = "pi");
```

```
simIn = Simulink.SimulationInput(gcs);
```

```
simIn = simIn.setModelParameter(StopTime = "pi");
```

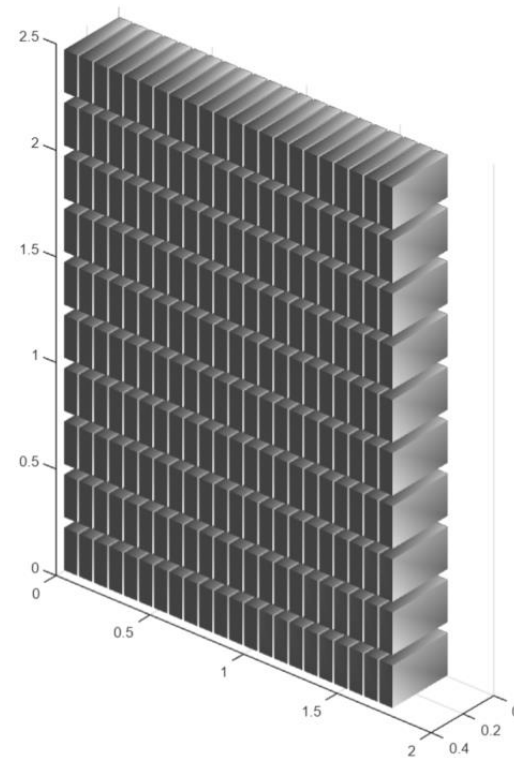


Property ^	Value
ModelName	'green_hydrogen_microgrid_ROM_8760'
InitialState	0x0 ModelOperatingPoint
ExternalInput	[]
ModelParameters	1x1 ModelParameter
BlockParameters	0x0 BlockParameter
Variables	0x0 Variable

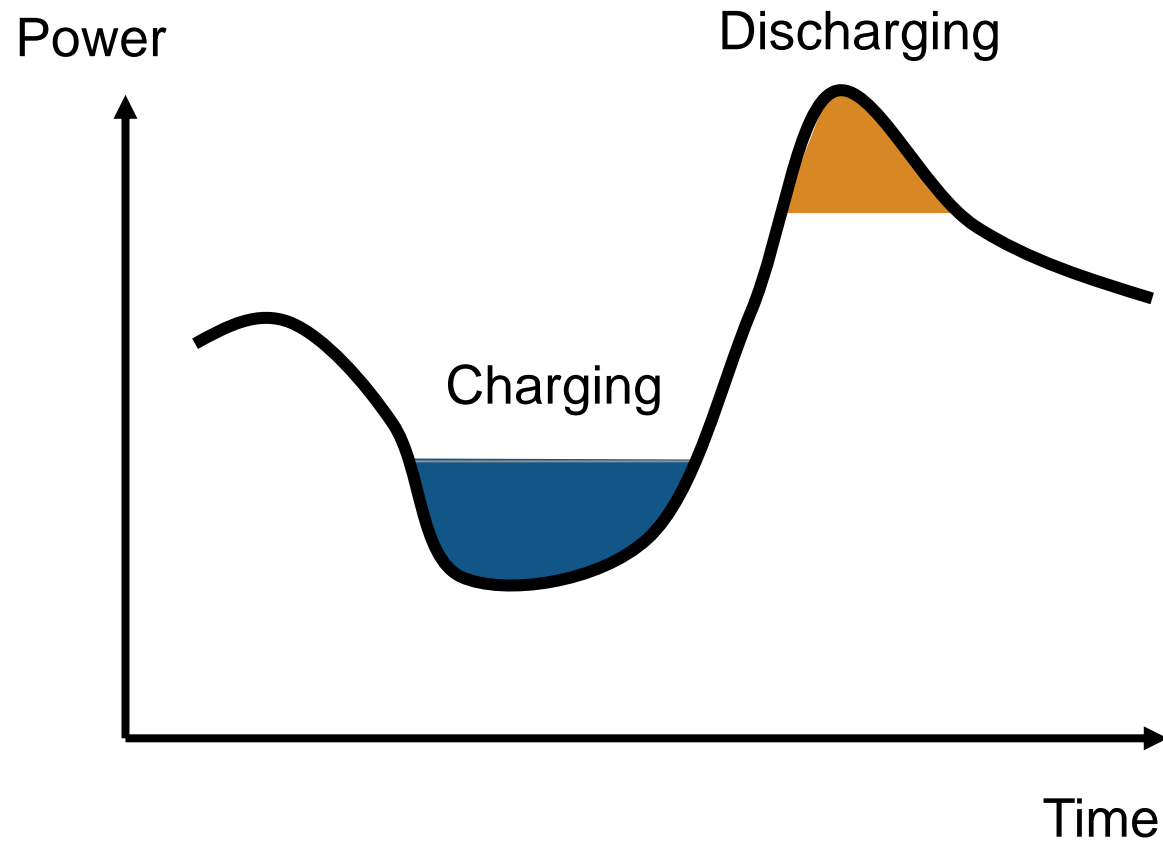
Create Simulink.SimulationInput objects to make changes to model for multiple or individual simulations

```
simOut = parsim(simIn);
```

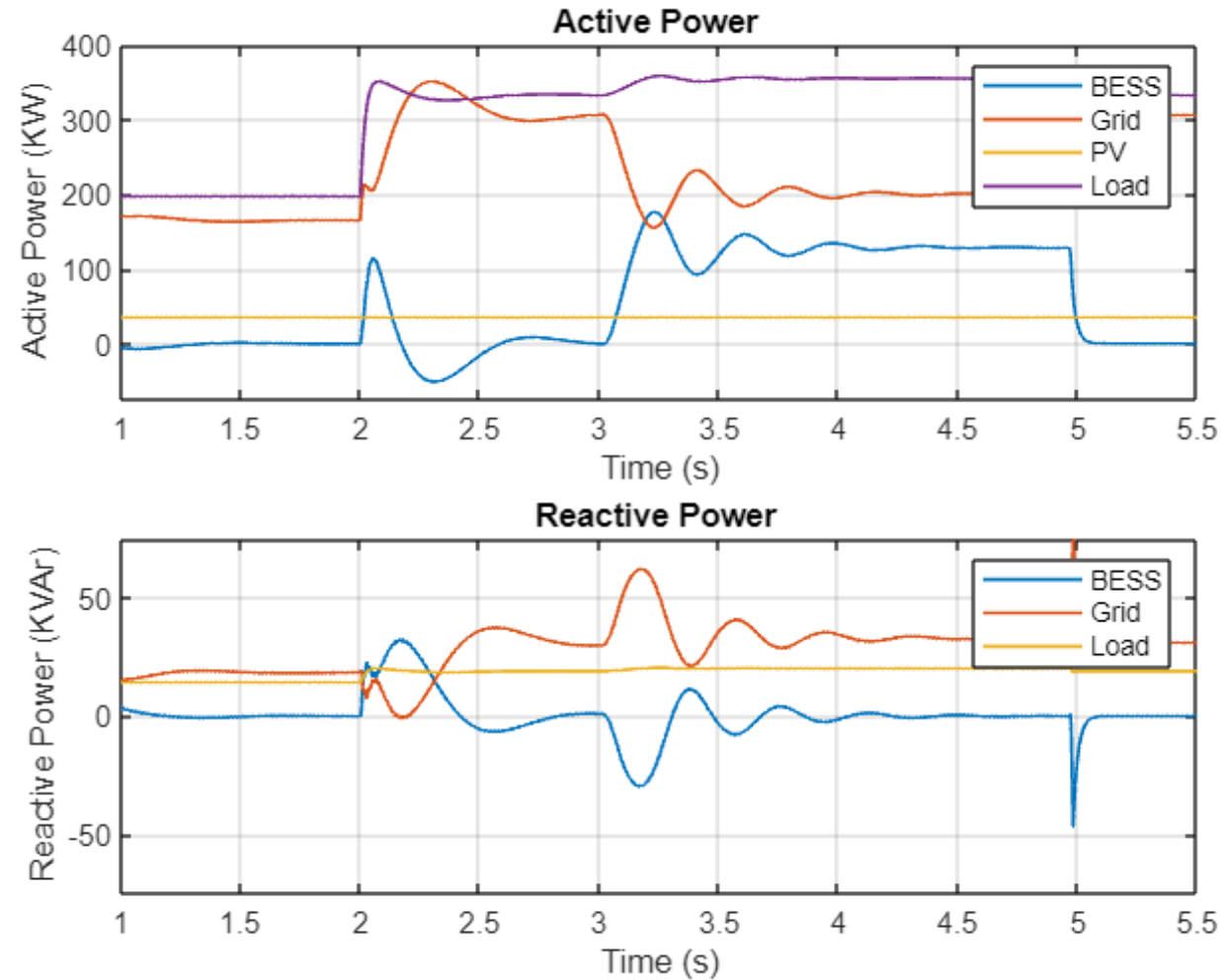
# Detailed Design



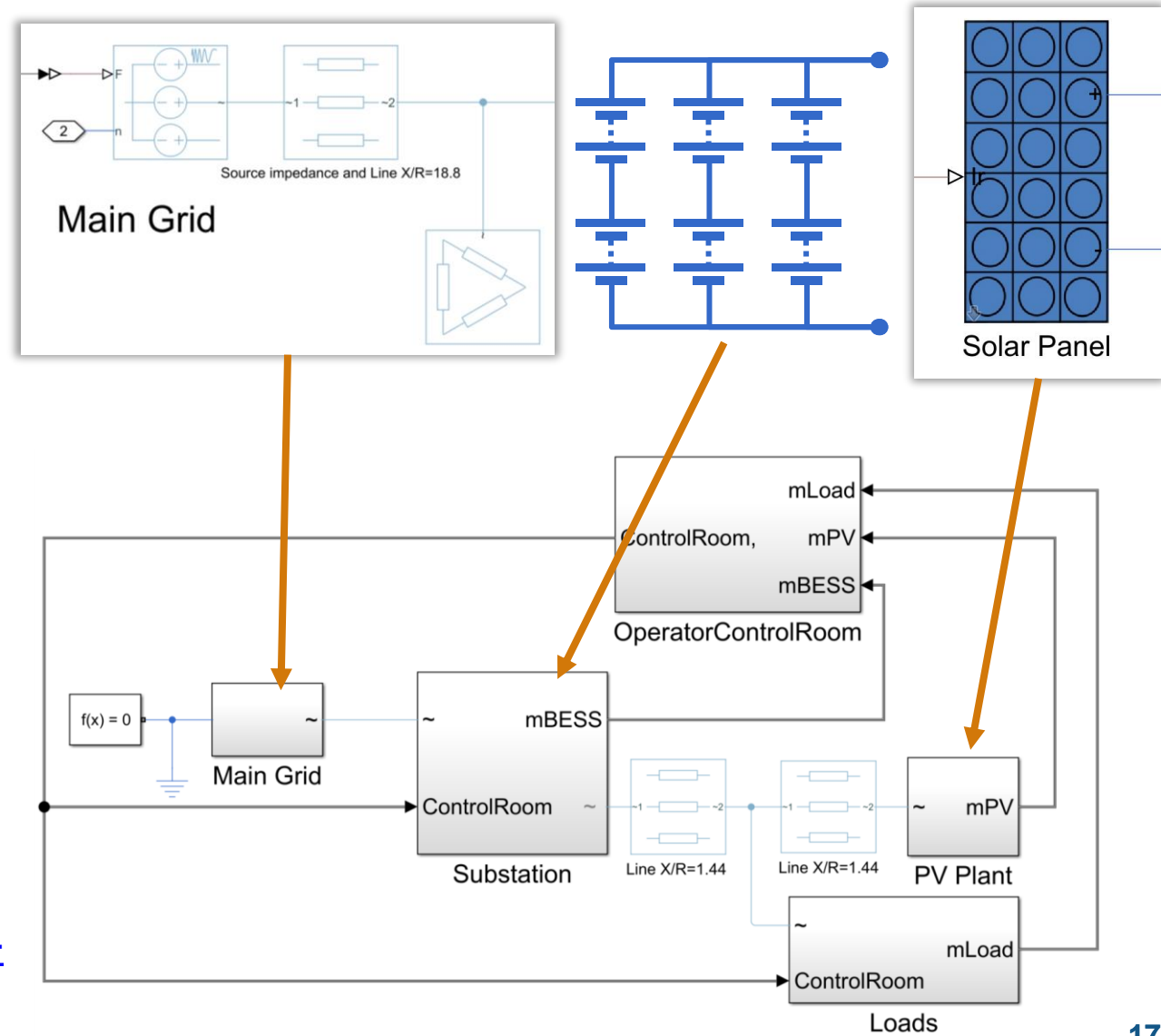
# Peak Shaving



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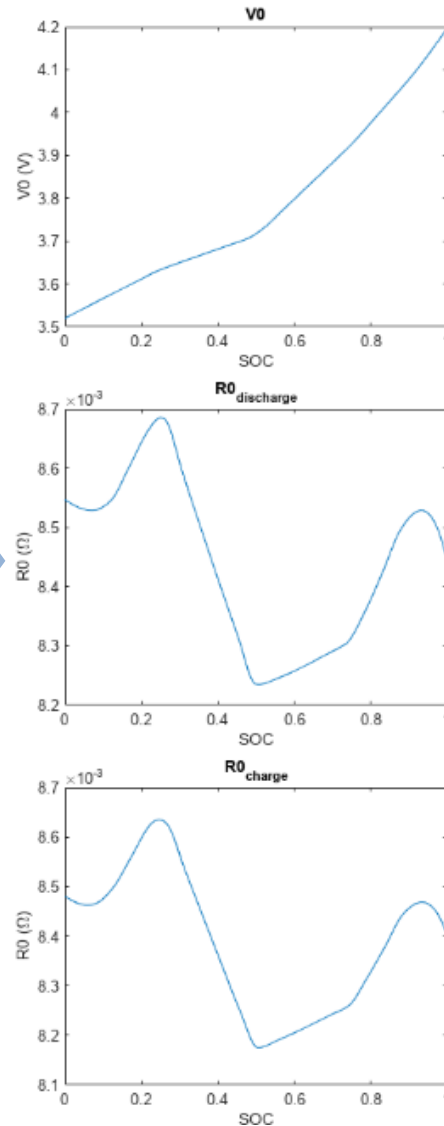
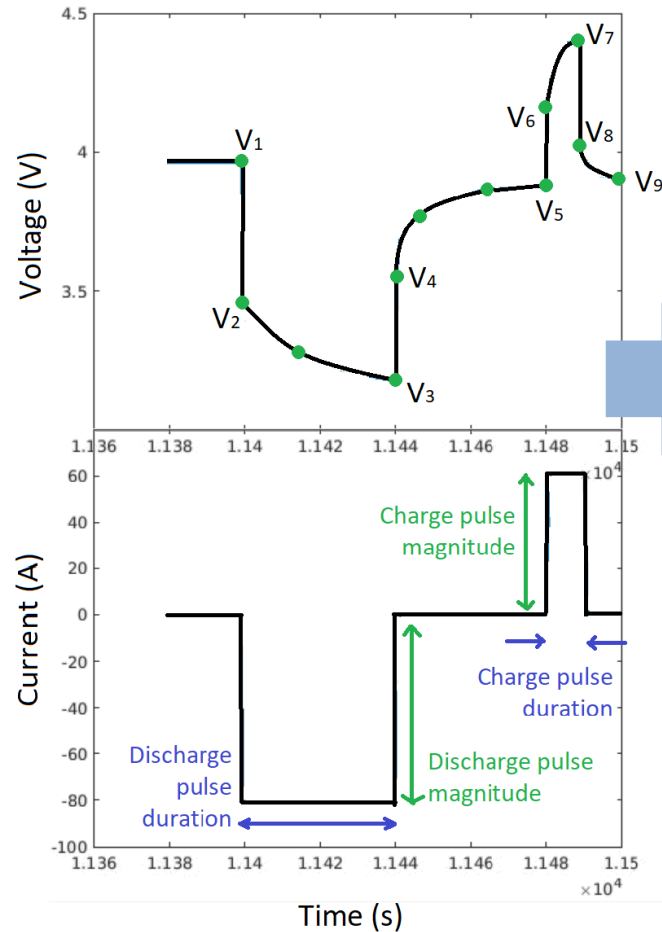
How do we model this detailed battery performance?



[Peak Shaving with Battery Energy Storage System - MATLAB & Simulink - MathWorks United Kingdom](#)

# Cell Parameters

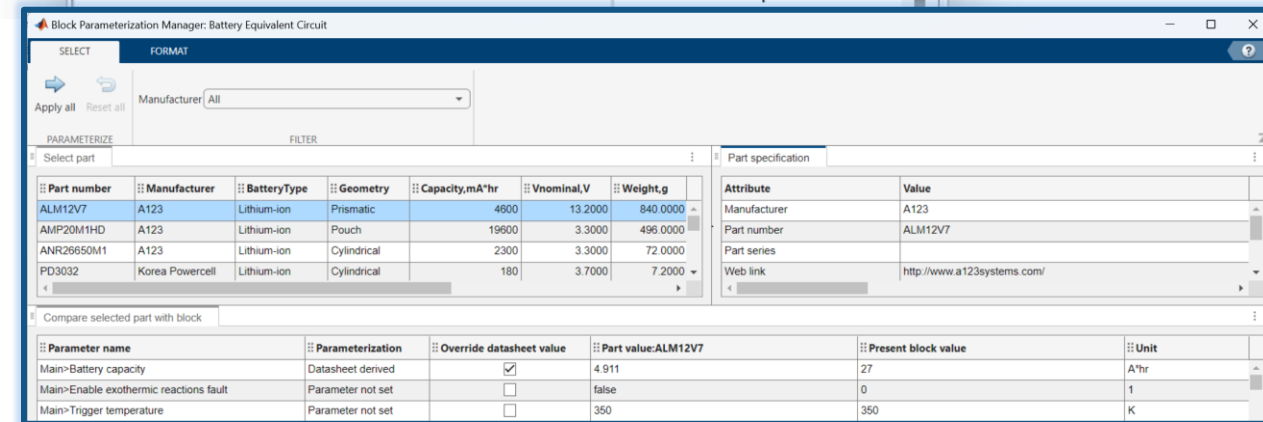
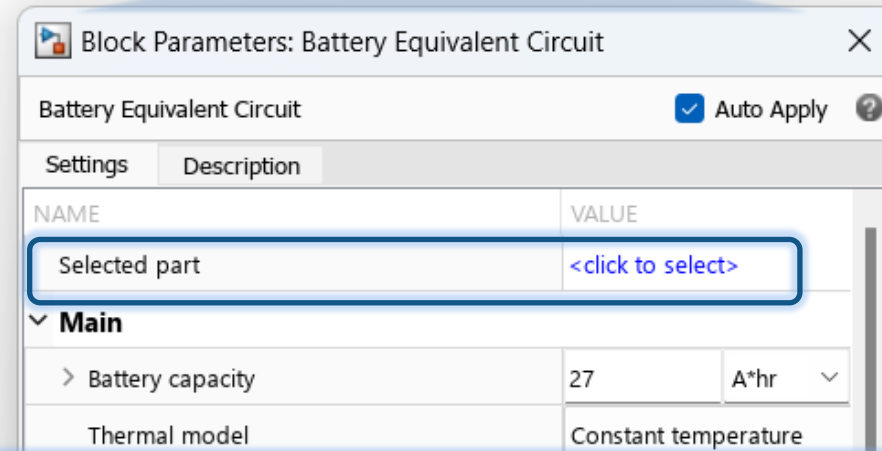
## Fit from Data



## Pre-parametrized parts



Battery Equivalent Circuit



Battery Builder

BATTERY CHART

Import

FILE

Cell

Parallel Assembly

Module

Module Assembly

Pack

Duplicate

Delete

Export

EXPORT

Create Library

LIBRARY

CREATE

BROWSER

EXPORT

LIBRARY

Battery Browser

Cell

ExampleCell

GridCell

Parallel Assembly

ExampleParallelAssembly

GridParallelAssembly

Module

ExampleModule

GridModule

Module Assembly

ExampleModuleAssembly

GridModuleAssembly

Pack

ExamplePack

Battery Hierarchy

Pack (GridPack)

ModuleAssembly (GridModuleAssembly)

Module (GridModule)

ParallelAssembly (GridParallelAssembly)

Cell (GridCell)

Module (Module2)

ParallelAssembly (ParallelAssembly2)

Cell (GridCell)

Module (Module3)

ParallelAssembly (ParallelAssembly3)

Cell (GridCell)

Module (Module4)

ParallelAssembly (ParallelAssembly4)

Cell (GridCell)

Selected Battery

Pack Properties

Read-Only Properties

Identifier

Name

GridPack

Geometry

Position

x 0 y 0 z 0

StackingAxis

X

Pack Properties

ModuleAssembly

GridModuleAssembly

Select...

InterModuleAssemblyGap

0.001

MassFactor

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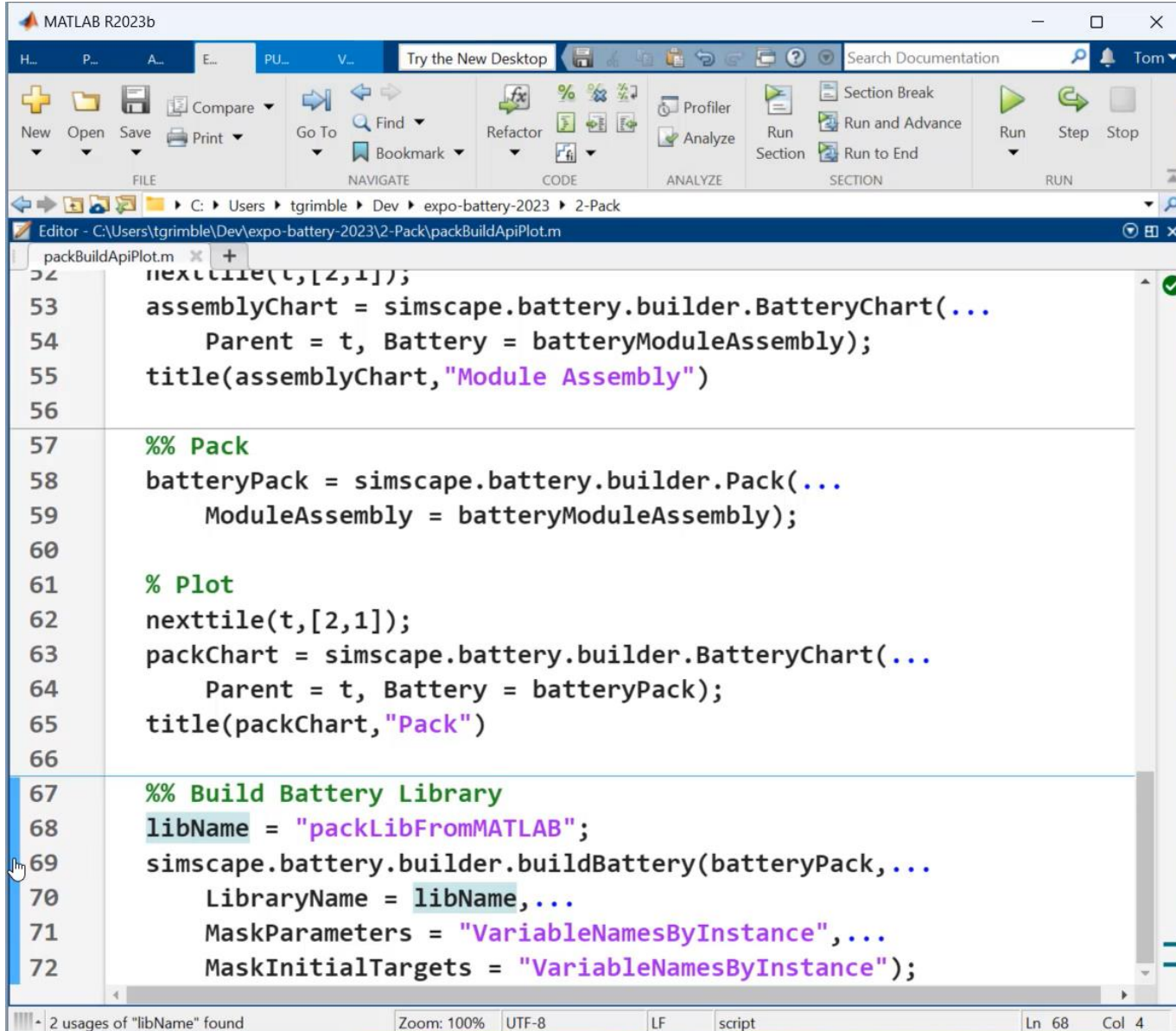
Model Options

Thermal Model Options

Apply



# Scripted Battery

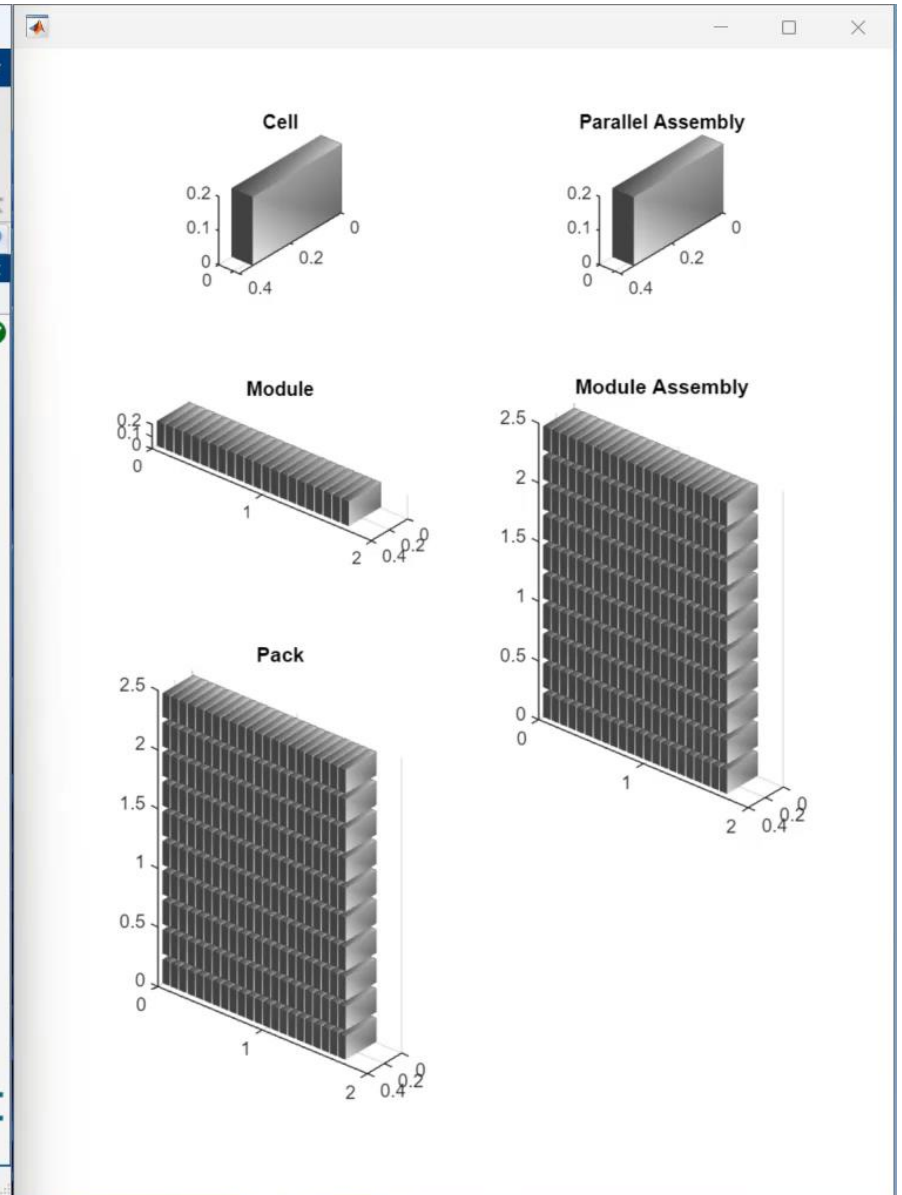


The image shows the MATLAB R2023b Editor window with a script named `packBuildApiPlot.m`. The script is located at `C:\Users\tgrimble\Dev\expo-battery-2023\2-Pack\packBuildApiPlot.m`. The script defines a function `packBuildApiPlot` that builds a battery model using the Simscape Battery Builder API. The script includes comments for each section: `%% Pack`, `% Plot`, and `%% Build Battery Library`. The `%% Build Battery Library` section is currently selected, showing lines 67 through 72. The script uses the `simcape.battery.builder.BatteryChart` function to create charts for the battery components and the `simcape.battery.builder.Pack` function to create the battery pack. The script also uses the `simcape.battery.builder.buildBattery` function to build the battery model.

```

53 assemblyChart = simscape.battery.builder.BatteryChart(...
54     Parent = t, Battery = batteryModuleAssembly);
55 title(assemblyChart, "Module Assembly")
56
57 %% Pack
58 batteryPack = simscape.battery.builder.Pack(...
59     ModuleAssembly = batteryModuleAssembly);
60
61 % Plot
62 nexttile(t,[2,1]);
63 packChart = simscape.battery.builder.BatteryChart(...
64     Parent = t, Battery = batteryPack);
65 title(packChart, "Pack")
66
67 %% Build Battery Library
68 libName = "packLibFromMATLAB";
69 simscape.battery.builder.buildBattery(batteryPack,...
70     LibraryName = libName,...
71     MaskParameters = "VariableNamesByInstance",...
72     MaskInitialTargets = "VariableNamesByInstance");
  
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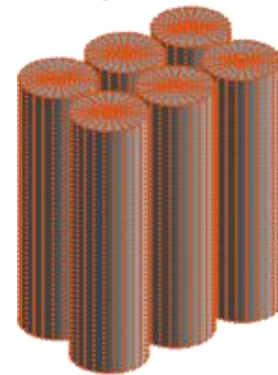
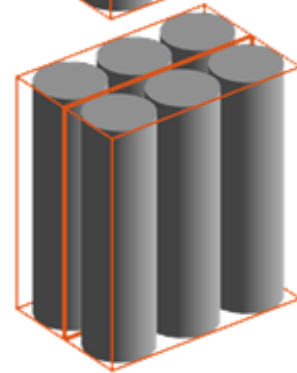
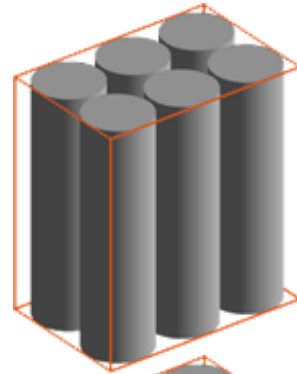
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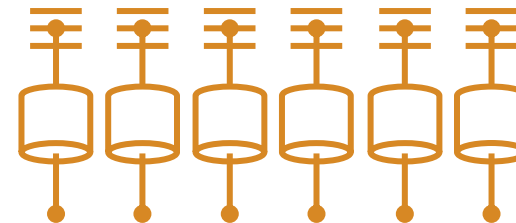
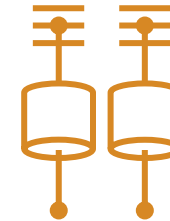
# Battery Pack Model Fidelity

- Lumped resolution
  - One electrothermal element
- Grouped resolution
  - Any number of arbitrarily grouped elements
- Detailed resolution
  - Every cell modeled individually

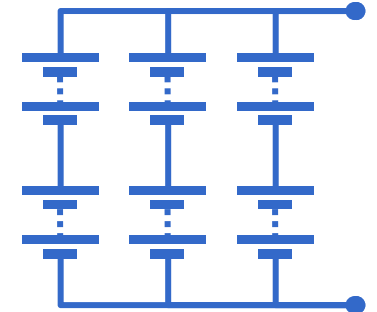
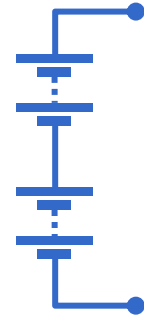
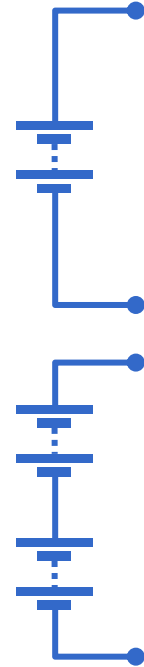
Pack Visualization



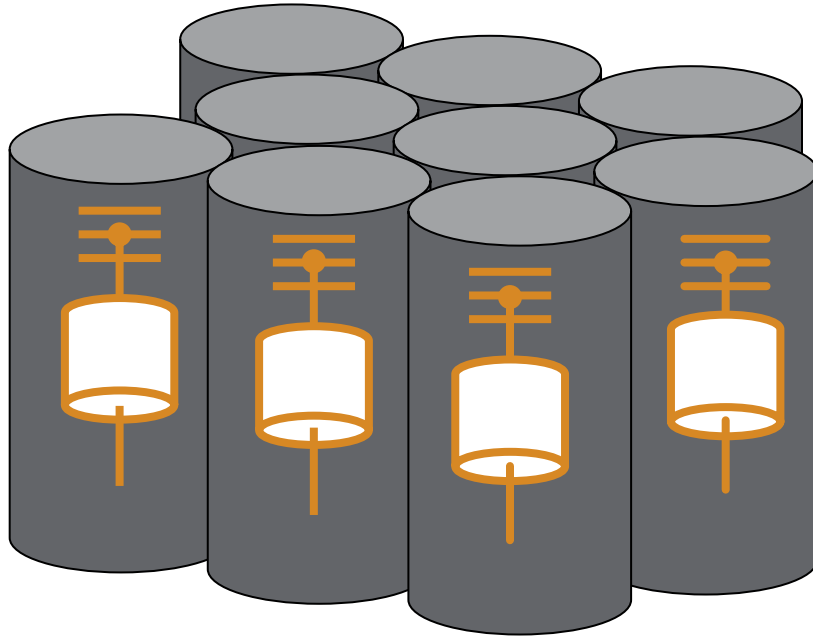
Equivalent Thermal Model



Equivalent Electrical Model

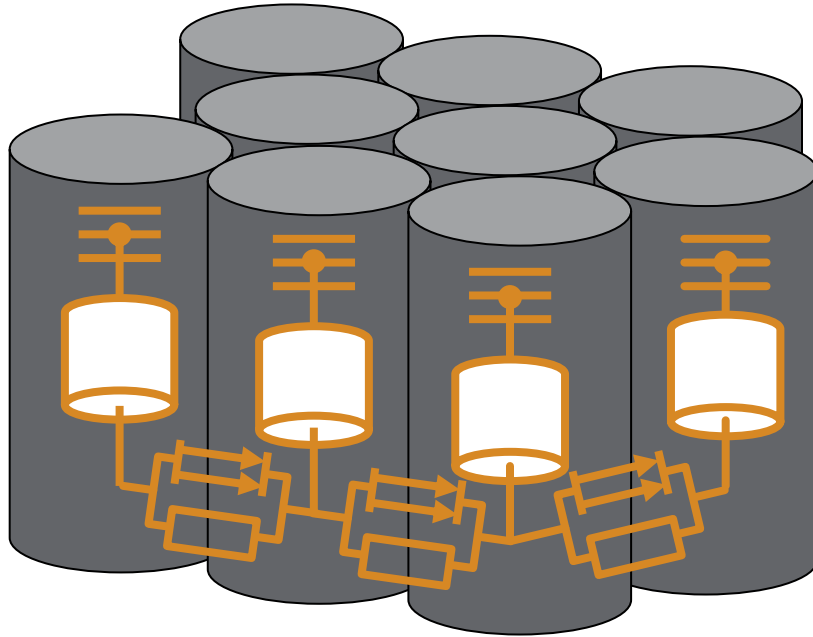


# Thermal Connections



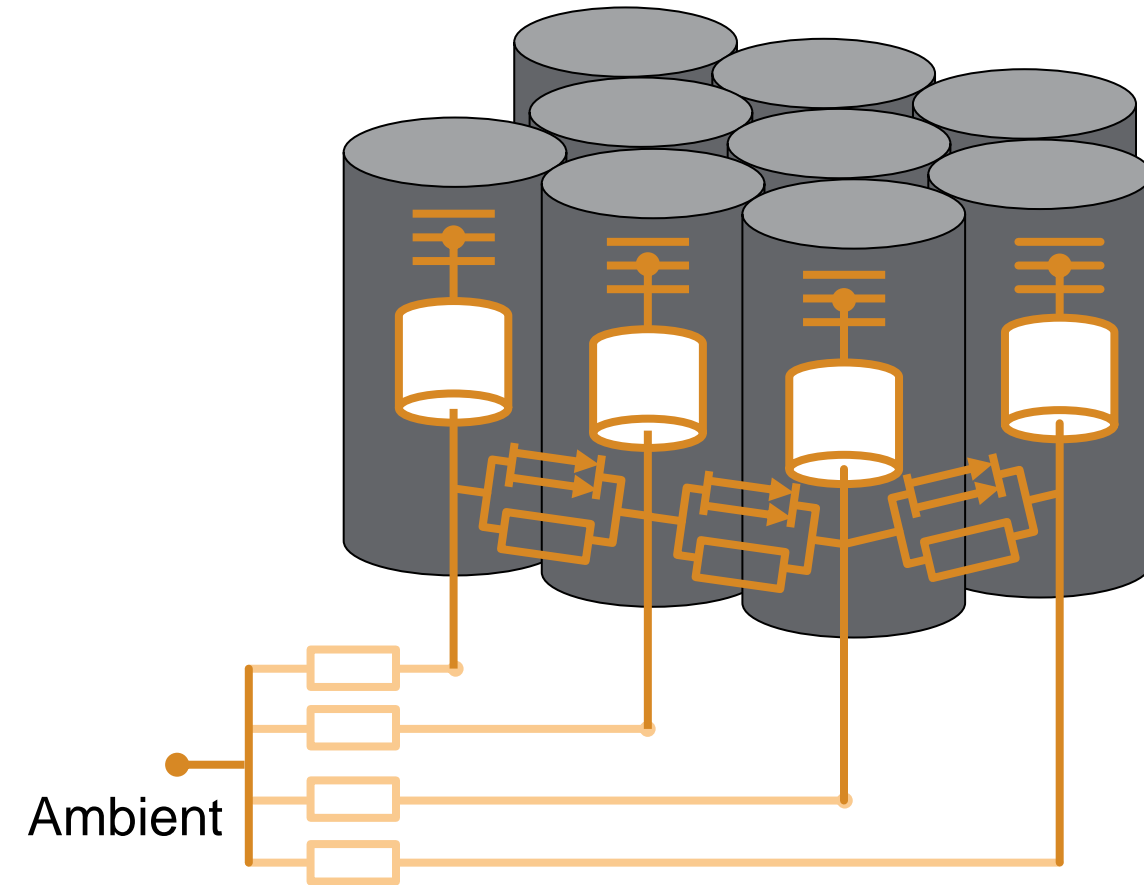
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    ModelResolution = "Detailed");
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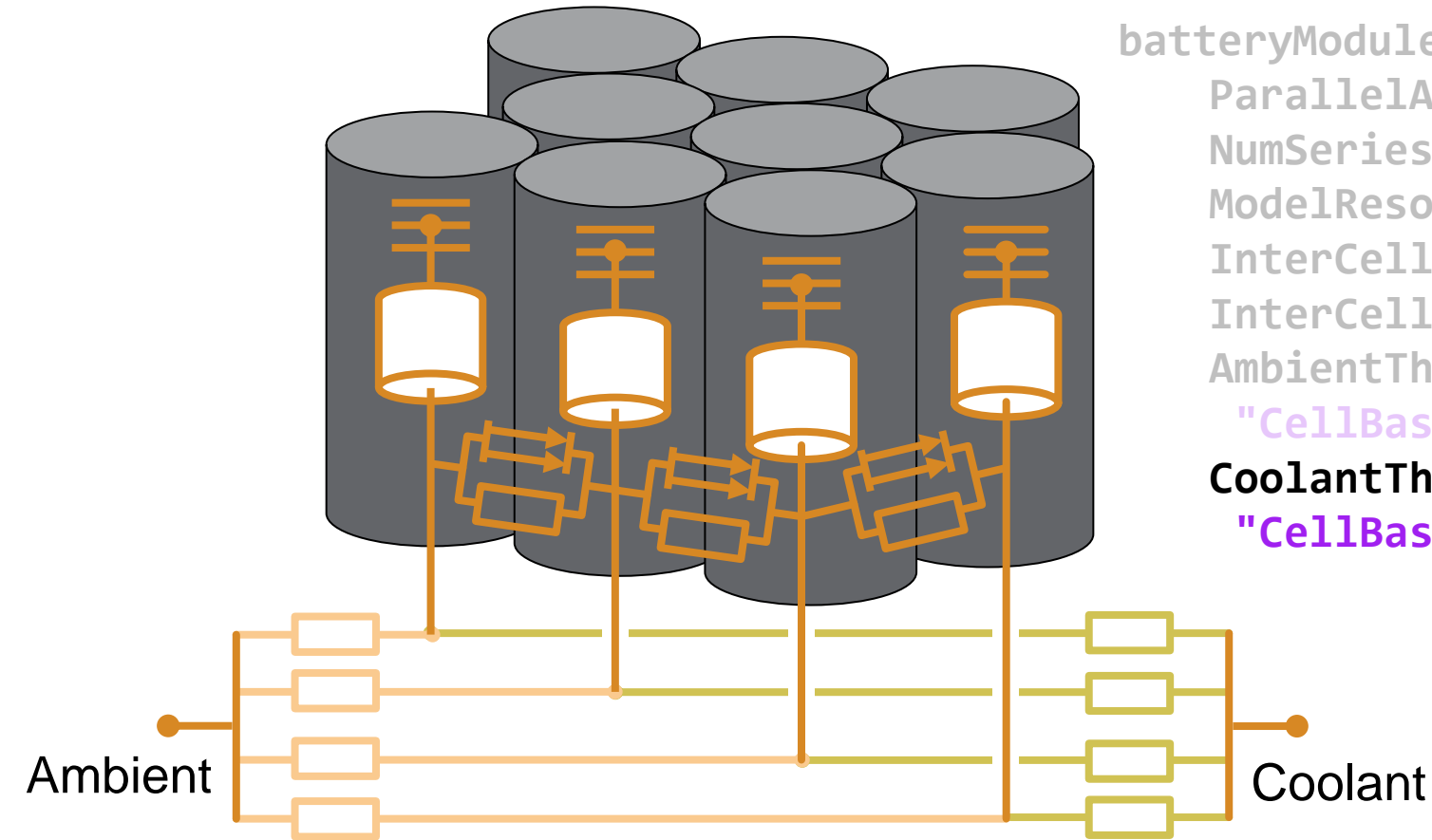
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    InterCellThermalPath = "on",...  
    InterCellRadiativeThermalPath = "on");
```

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    AmbientThermalPath = ...  
    "CellBasedThermalResistance");
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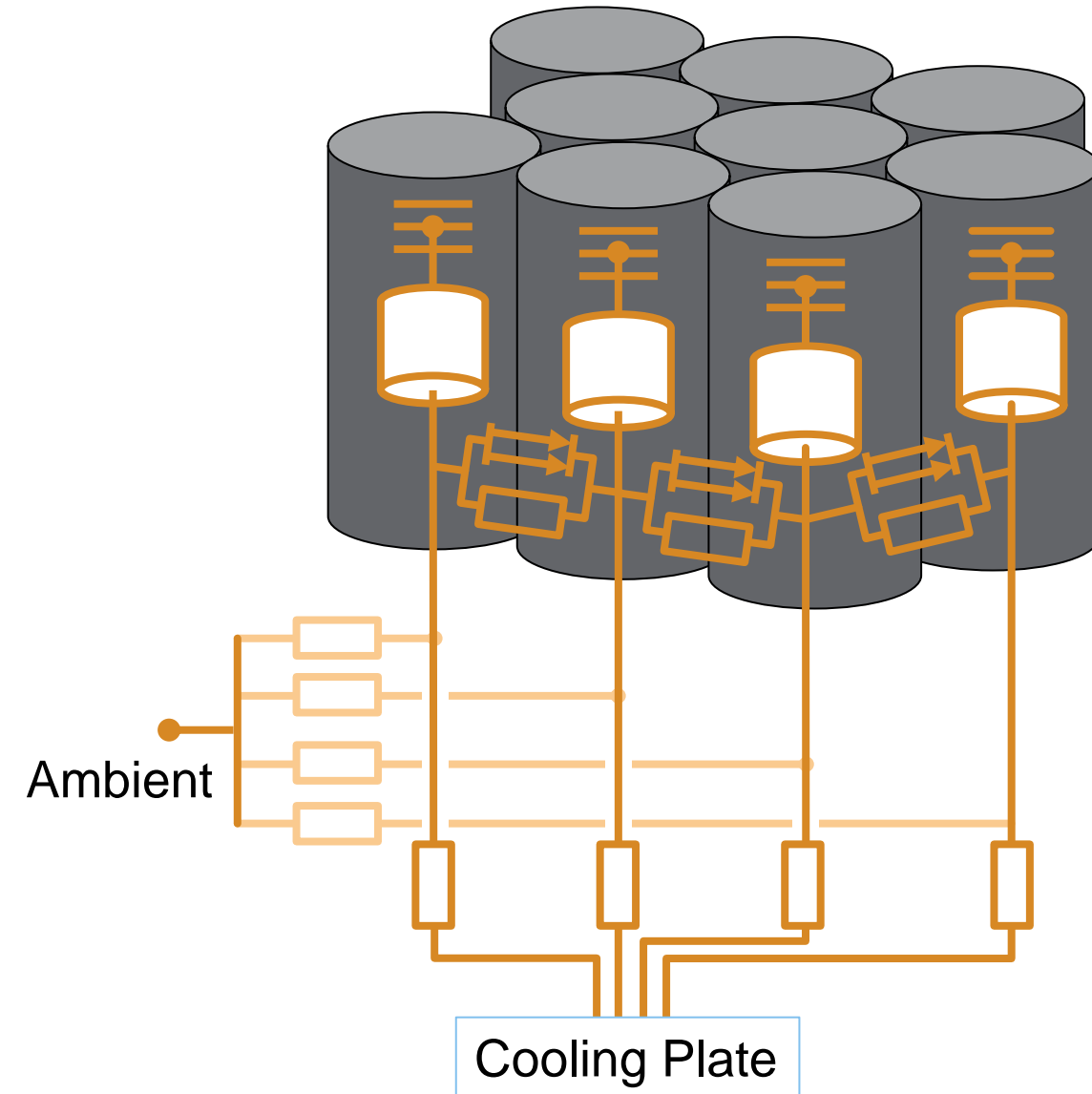
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        "CellBasedThermalResistance",...
    CoolantThermalPath = ...
        "CellBasedThermalResistance");
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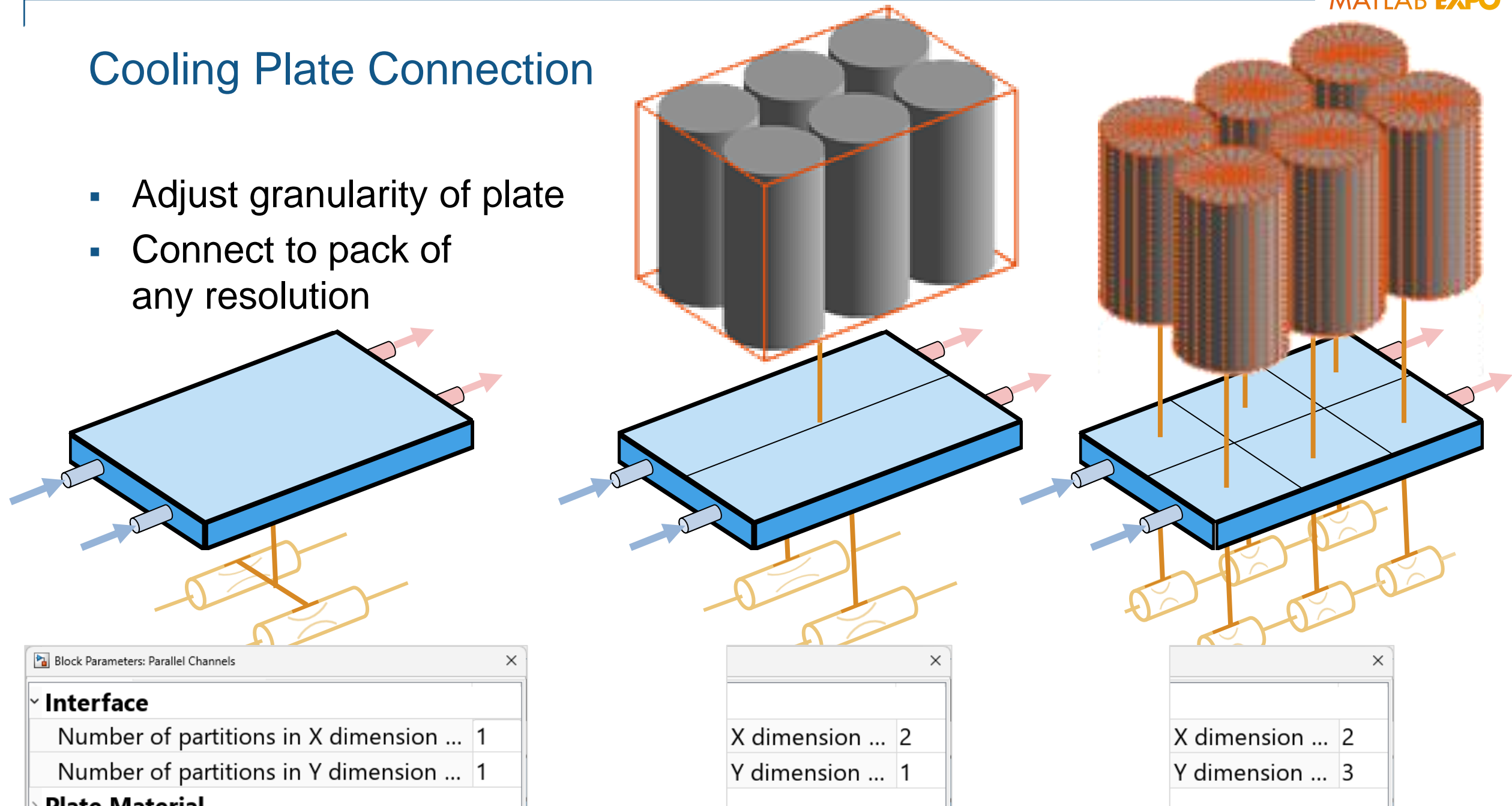
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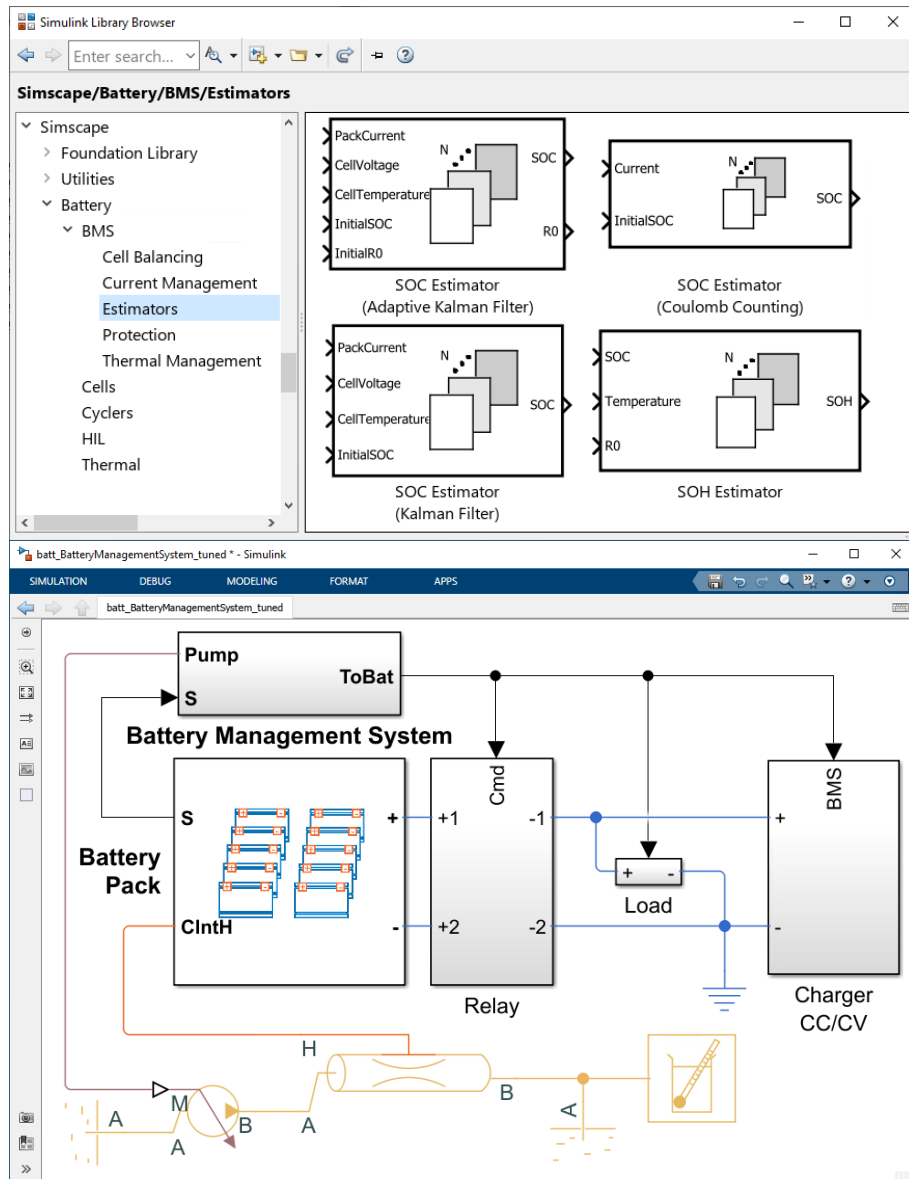
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    CoolantThermalPath = ...
        "CellBasedThermalResistance",...
    CoolingPlate = "Bottom",...
    CoolingPlateBlockPath = ...
        "batt_lib/Thermal/Parallel Channels");
```

# Cooling Plate Connection

- Adjust granularity of plate
- Connect to pack of any resolution



# Control Algorithms & Deployment

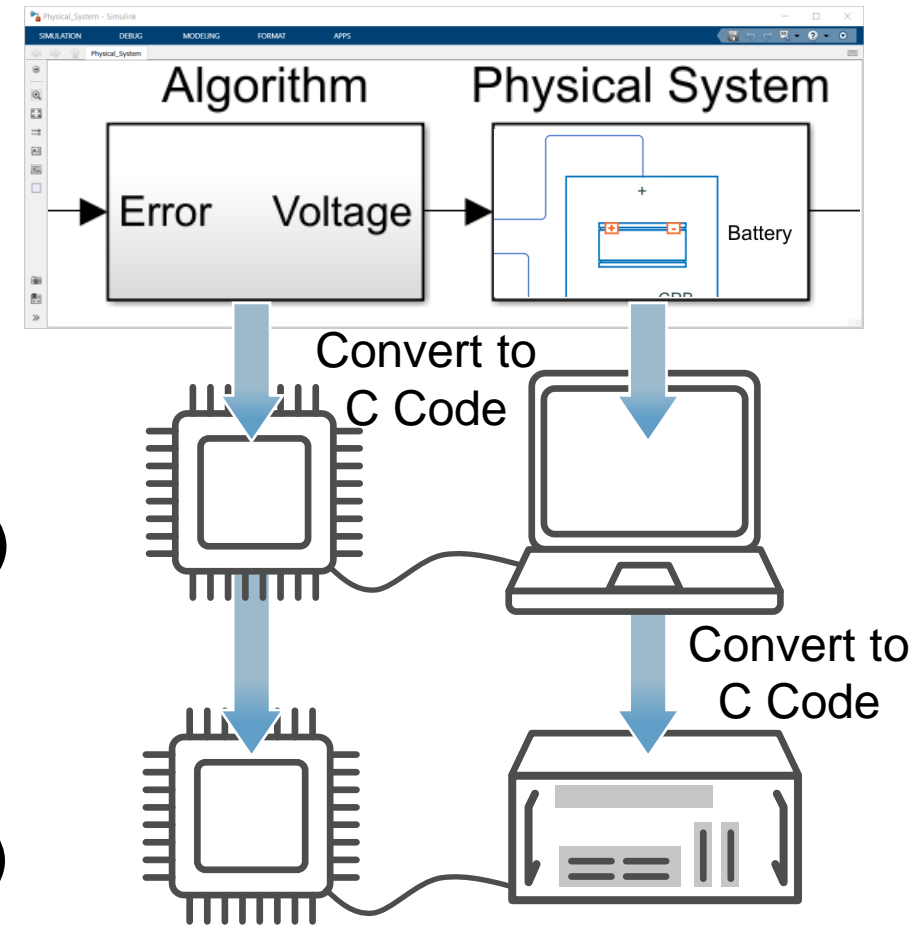


## Battery Management Systems In Simscape Battery

C/C++ Code  
HIL C Code

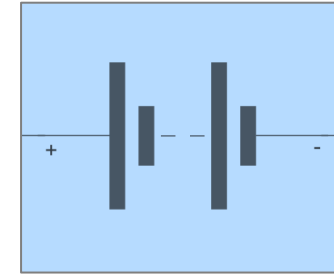
**Processor-in-the-Loop (PIL)**

**Hardware-in-the-Loop (HIL)**

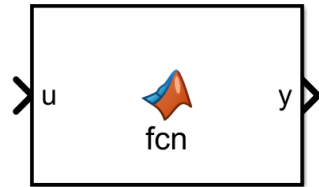


# Customization

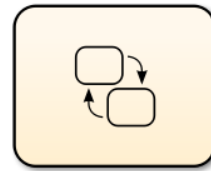
Customization and flexibility are at the core of MATLAB & Simulink



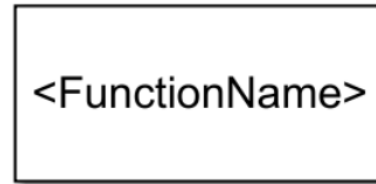
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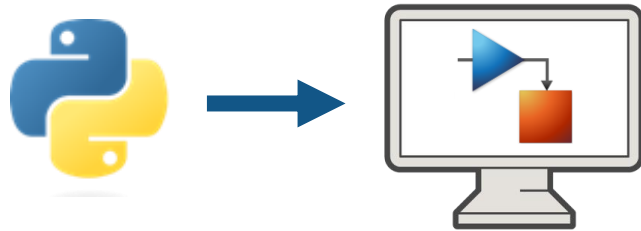
MATLAB Function



Logic



C Caller



Customize physical models with Simscape language

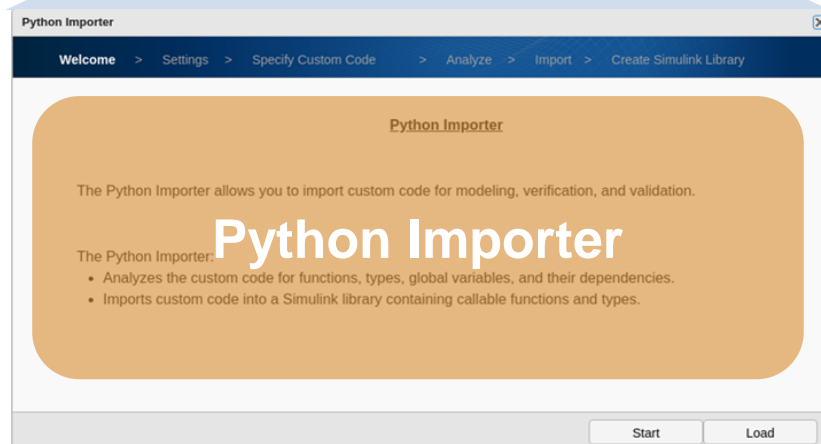
$$i = (C_0 + C_v v) \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{v}{r_d}$$



```

34 equations
35     i == (C0 + Cv*vc)*vc.der + vc/Rd;
36     v == vc + i*R;
37 end

```



[Simscape Customization](#)

# Fault Robustness



# Faults & System Protection

## Battery

### BMS

- Cell Balancing
- Current Management
- Estimators
- Protection



Battery Current Monitoring



Battery Temperature Monitoring

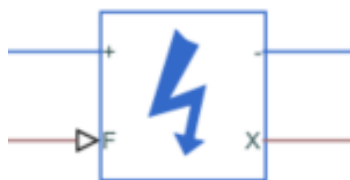


Battery Voltage Monitoring



Fault Qualification

### Thermal Management



Fault



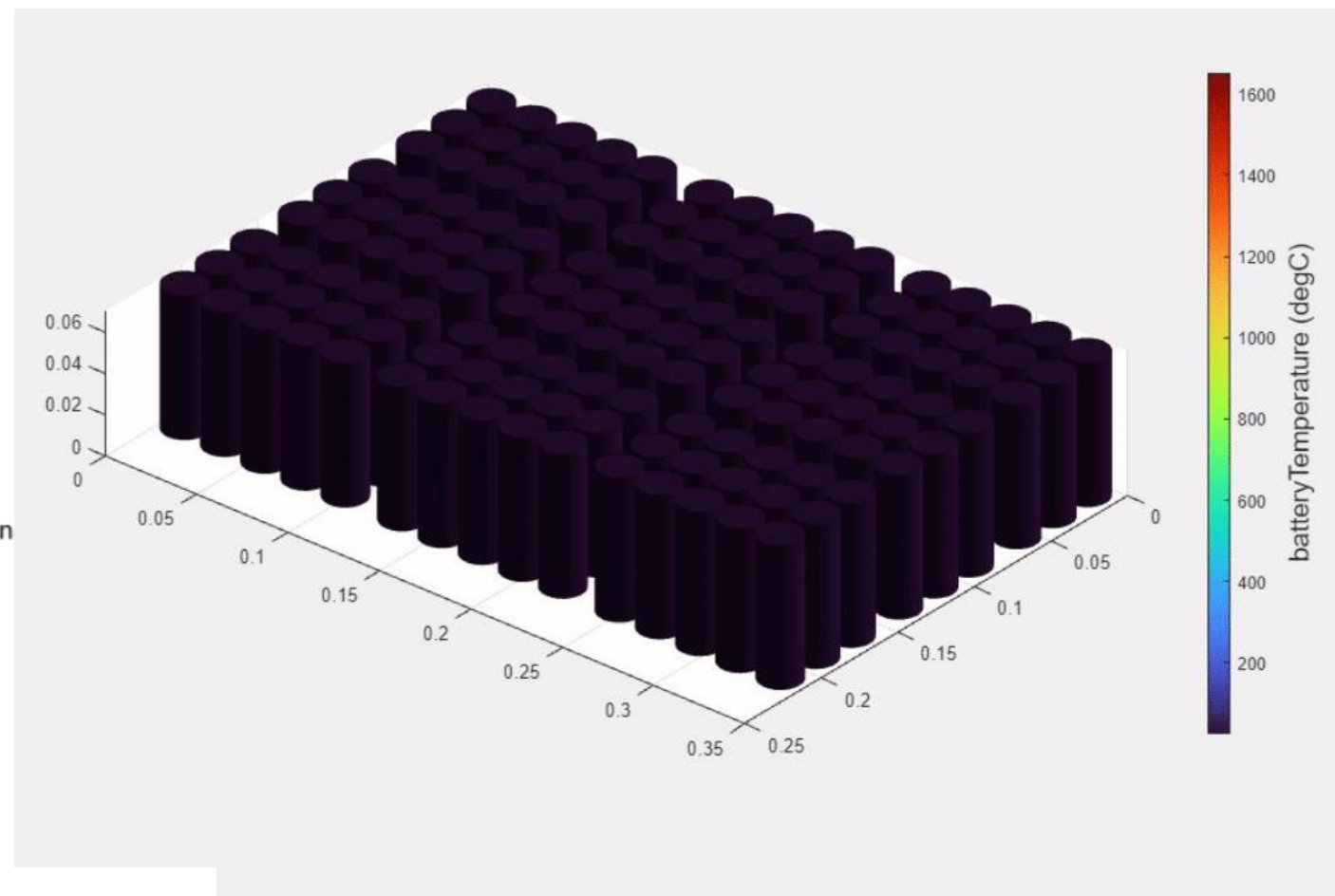
## Main

Resistance	1	Ohm
Tolerance application	None - use nominal value	

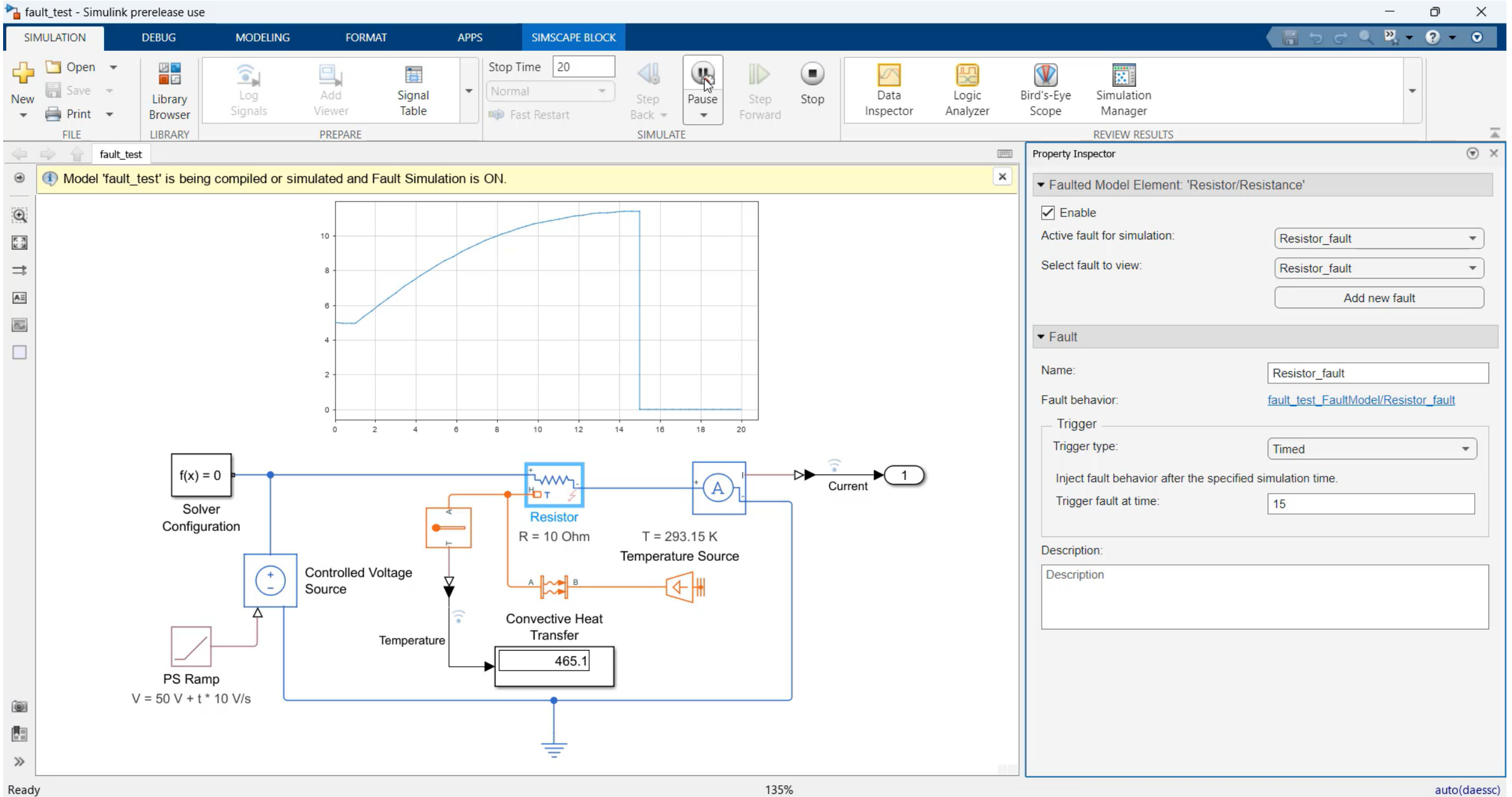
## Operating Limits

### Faults

Enable faults	Yes
Reporting when a fault occurs	None







The screenshot displays the MATLAB R2023b Live Editor interface. The top toolbar includes options for file operations (New, Open, Save, Print, Export), navigation, text formatting (Heading 1, Bold, Italic, Underline, Monospace), and execution (Run, Step, Stop). The current file is 'programmaticFaults.mlx' located in 'C:\Users\tgrimble\Dev\expo-battery-2023'. The script content is as follows:

```

1  load("faultModuleData.mat", "batteryModule");
2
3  batteryModule

Visualise the module

4  f = ufigure;
5  packChart = simscape.battery.builder.BatteryChart(...
6      Parent = f, Battery = batteryModule, SimulationStrategyVisible = "on");

Fault APIs for Simulink and Simscape

7  modelname = "batteryFaultsModel";
8
9  faulttableBlocks = simscape.findFaulttableBlocks(modelname)

Add a single fault

10 InternalShortFault = Simulink.fault.addFault(...
11     strcat(faulttableBlocks(1), "/ParallelAssembly1(10)/Cell1(1)/Internal short"));
12 InternalShortFault.addBehavior(strcat(modelname, "_FaultModel"));

Setup fault triggers programmatically

13 InternalShortFault.TriggerType = "Timed";
14 InternalShortFault.StartTime = 30;
15 InternalShortFault.activate;
  
```

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# Battery Cell Fault Modeling



Battery Equivalent Circuit

Property Inspector

Faulted Model Element: 'Battery Equivalent Circuit/Exothermic reactions'

☒ Enable

Active fault for simulation: ExothermicReactionFault

Select fault to view: ExothermicReactionFault

Add new fault

Fault

Name: ExothermicReactionFault

Fault behavior: ExothermicReactionFaultModel/BatteryEquivalentCircuit\_fault

Trigger

Trigger type: Always On

Inject fault behavior throughout the simulation.

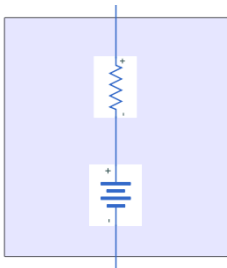
Block Parameters: BatteryEquivalentCircuit\_fault

Battery Equivalent Circuit ☒ Auto Apply

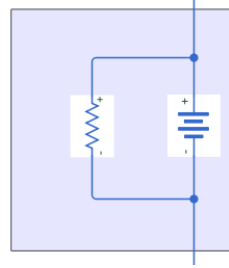
Settings Description

NAME	VALUE
<b>Faults</b>	
Modeling fidelity	Analytical
<input type="checkbox"/> Tabulate with state of charge	
Current interruption temperature	420 K
Total heat of reaction	23e3 J
Exotherm onset temperature	350 K
Exotherm onset temperature rate	0.02 K/min
Activation energy	160e3 J/mol
Order of reaction	1
Percent of thermal mass vented	40

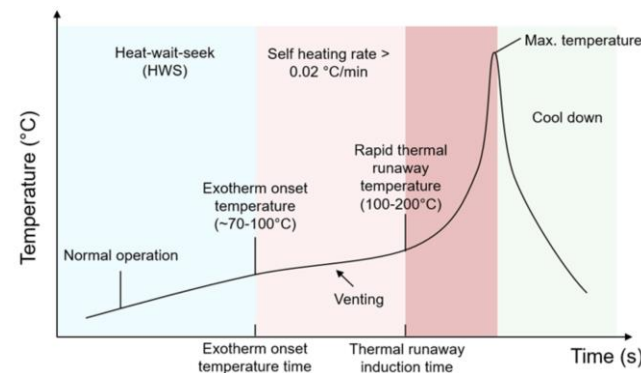
**Additional Resistance Fault**



**Internal Short Fault**



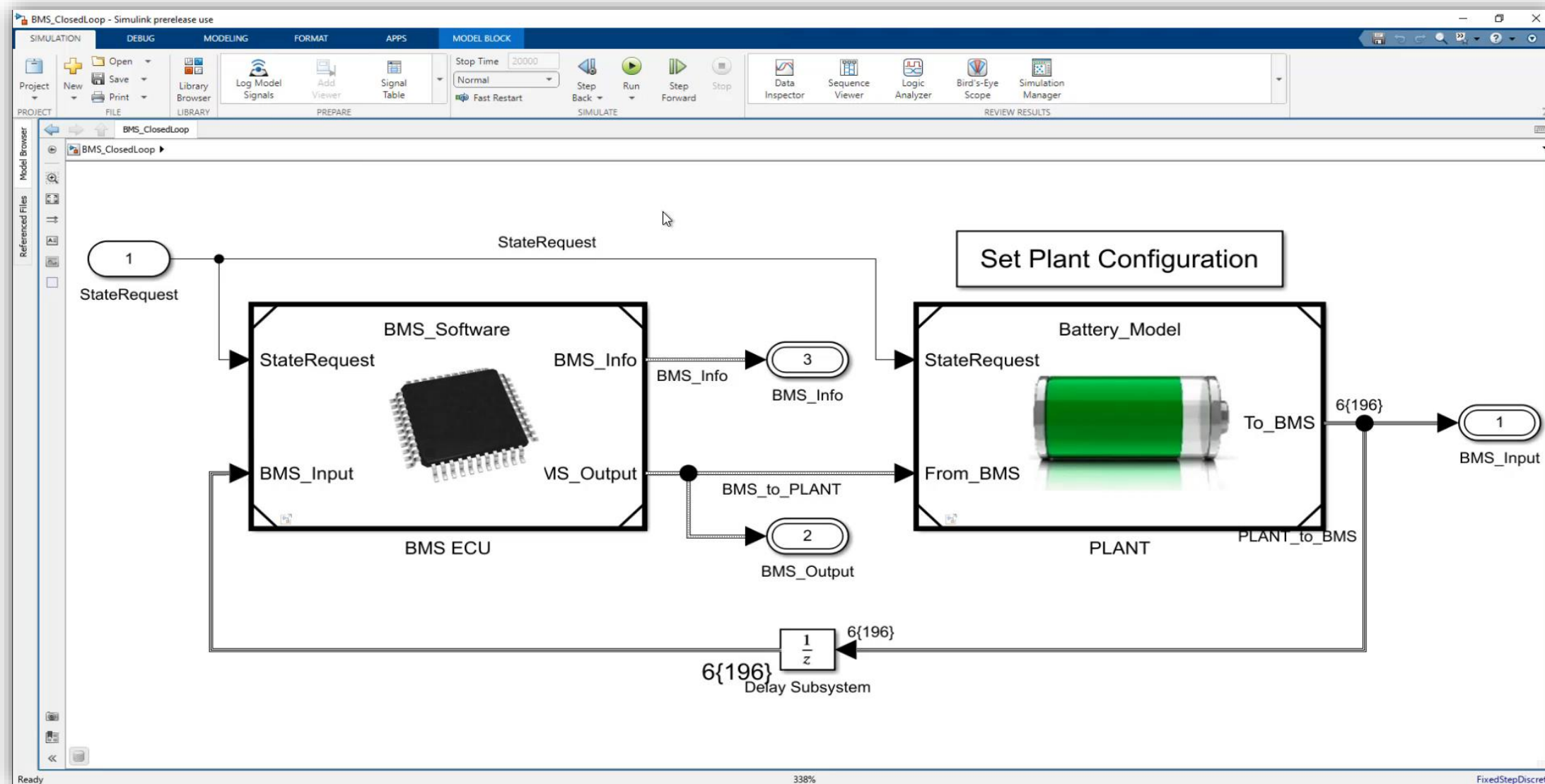
**Exothermic Reaction Fault**



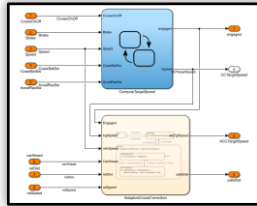
- ✓ Definition of time or condition dependent faults.
- ✓ Support modeling of thermal runaway events.

Inject Faults in Battery Models

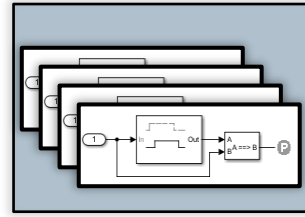
# Unified Fault Framework



## Design Logic



## Fault Logic



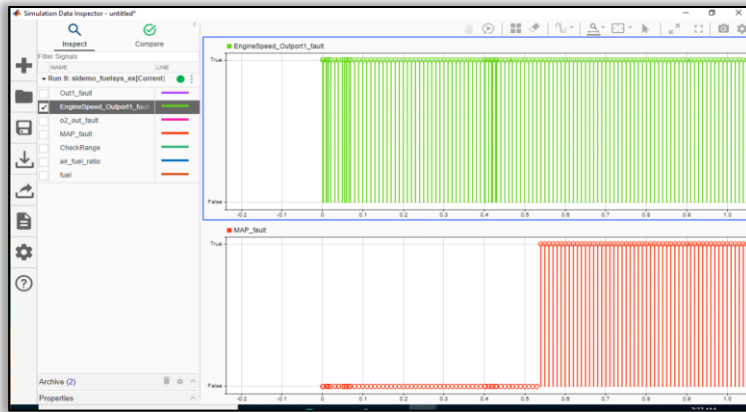
Model faults without  
modifying the design

## Simulink Fault Analyzer™

Fault Table			
Enable	Model Element/Fault Name	Active Fault	Trigger
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Environment/Constant6/Output/1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	HighTemperatureFault	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conditional: highSpeedCondition
	LowTemperatureFault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Conditional: SampleConditional
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Environment/Constant7/Output/1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	HighPressureFault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Timed: 20
	LowPressureFault	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always On
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Environment/Constant2/Output/1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Grade_fault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Always On
	Grade_fault_1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Always On
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Environment/Constant3/Output/1	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	wind_x_fault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Always On
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Passenger Car/Electric Plant/Simscape/Inductor1/Inductor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Inductor1_fault	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Behavioral

Manage faults across  
multiple domains

Details: Design Study		
Specification	Run Options	
Root Parameter Set		
Fault Set_1		
	Fault	Component
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HighTemperatureFault	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HighPressureFault	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LowTemperatureFault	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LowPressureFault	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grade_fault	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grade_fault_1	EvReferenceApplic...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	wind_x_fault	EvReferenceApplic...



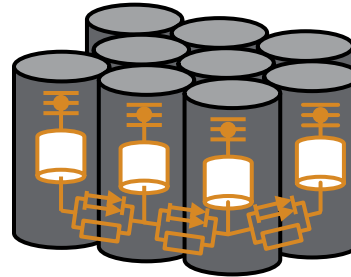
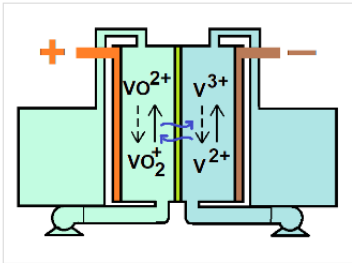
Simulate, explore and  
analyze fault effects

Safety Analysis Manager				
HOME				
New	Open	Save	Paste	Cut
Import	Copy	Delete	Add Row	Add Column
FILE	EDIT	SPREADSHEET	LINKS	SEARCH
RobotFMEA x				
	Failure Mode	Failure Rate (E-06)	Failure Effect	Detection Method
1	Angular Velocity Invalid After 50 seconds	1	Robot spins	Safety Lock
2	Angular Velocity Invalid at Maximum Pose	1	Robot spins	Safety Lock
1 warning				
Simulation errored out without Detection Method working.				

Perform systematic safety  
analysis using simulation

# Conclusions

- Energy Storage can extend far beyond just electrical modelling



- Critical to simulate real world power storage challenges



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Electricity Cost



- Use MATLAB & Simulink to accelerate your design and problem solving throughout the design cycle



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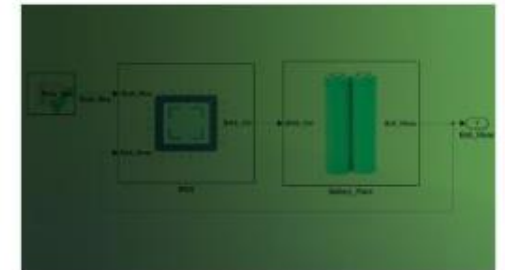
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