

# Stasyonere Sulu Tip Kurşun-Asit Akülerin Kullanımı “Classic”

GNB-Uygulama Mühendisliği



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# Sulu Tip „Classic“ ürünler



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# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

## Model Tasarımı "Classic"

O = Stasyonere Uygulamalar

5 GroE 500

8 OPzS 800 LA

6 OCSM 480 LA

10 OGi 530 LA 12V 3

OPzS 150 LA

Blok başına Nominal Gerilim

Pozitif plaka sayısı

Pozitif plaka tasarımı

LA = Düşük Antimon (Sb)

$U_s = 1.80 \text{ Vpc}$  'de  $C_{10}$  Nominal Kapasitesi

# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

“Classic” Akü Yelpazesi



## “Classic”- serbest elektrolitli hücreler/bloklar

- › GroE
- › OPzS
- › OCSM
- › OGi
- › Energy Bloc

# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

## Nominal Veri



Nominal voltaj	=	2.0 V <sub>pc</sub>
Nominal sıcaklık	=	$C_{rt} = C_{10}$ I <sub>rt</sub> ile deşarj edildiğinde 10 saat
Nominal deşarj akımı	=	$I_{rt} = I_{10} (C_{10}/10 \text{ h})$
Son deşarj gerilimi	=	$U_f = 1.80 \text{ V}_{pc}$
Nominal sıcaklık aralığı	=	20 °C
Çalışma sıcaklığı	=	-20 °C ila +55 °C arası
Güvenlik gereksinimleri	=	EN 50272- 2 / IEC 62485- 2
Test Yöntemleri	=	IEC 60896- 11

# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

## Karakteristik veriler



	Kendi kendine deşarj	Servis ömrü	Döngü <sup>1)</sup>
	[%/ay]	[sene] <sup>3)</sup>	
GroE	2.2	20 – 25	200
OPzS hücreler <sup>2)</sup> , OCSM	3.3	15 – 20	1500
OPzS bloklar	3.3	15 – 20	1500
Energy Bloc	3.3	13 – 15	600
OGi hücreler	3.3	18	600

Referans sıcaklığı 20 °C

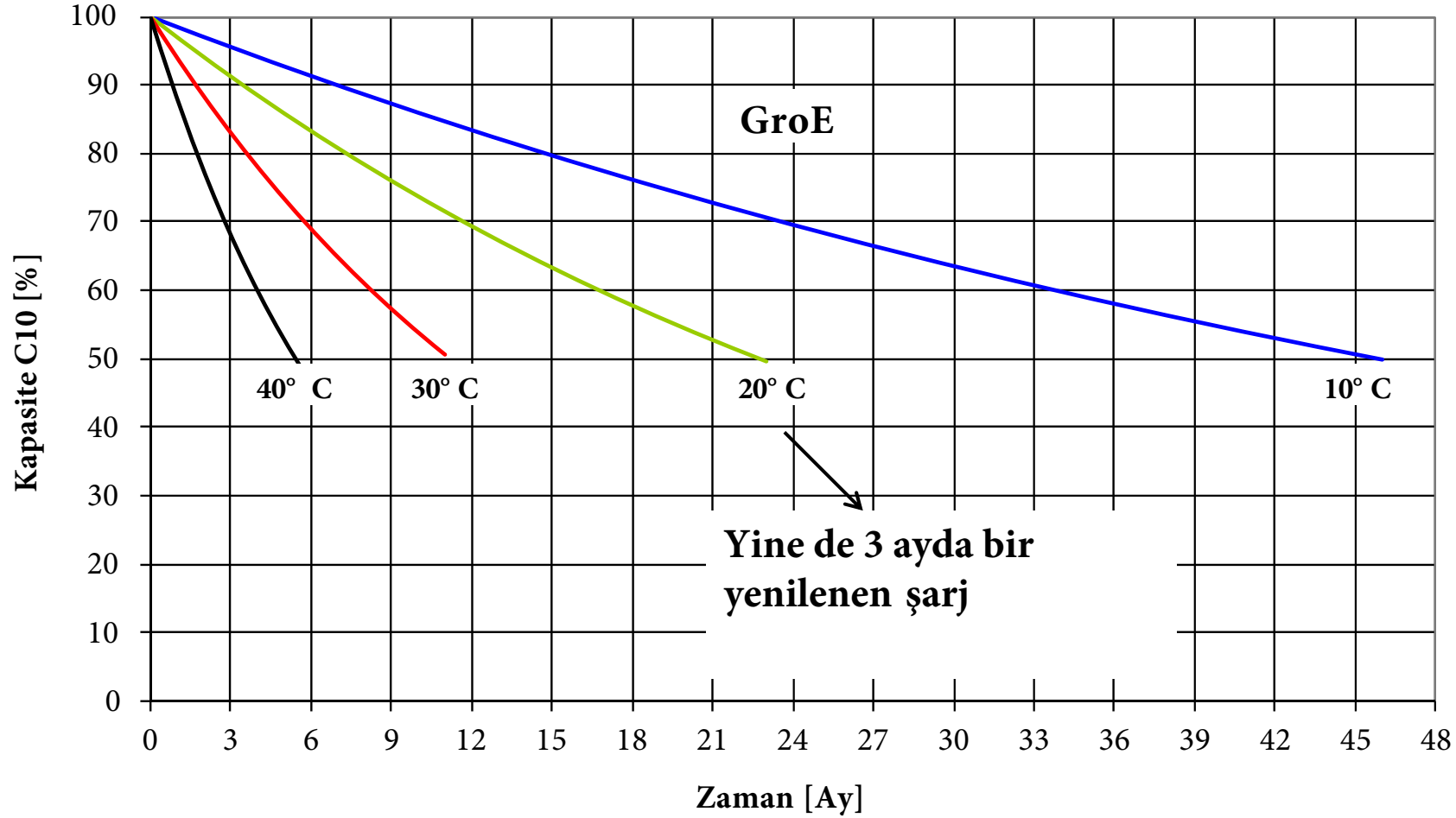
<sup>1)</sup>IEC 60896-11'e göre döngü sayıları

<sup>2)</sup> 3000 Ah'a kadar

<sup>3)</sup> Referans: Nominal kapasite

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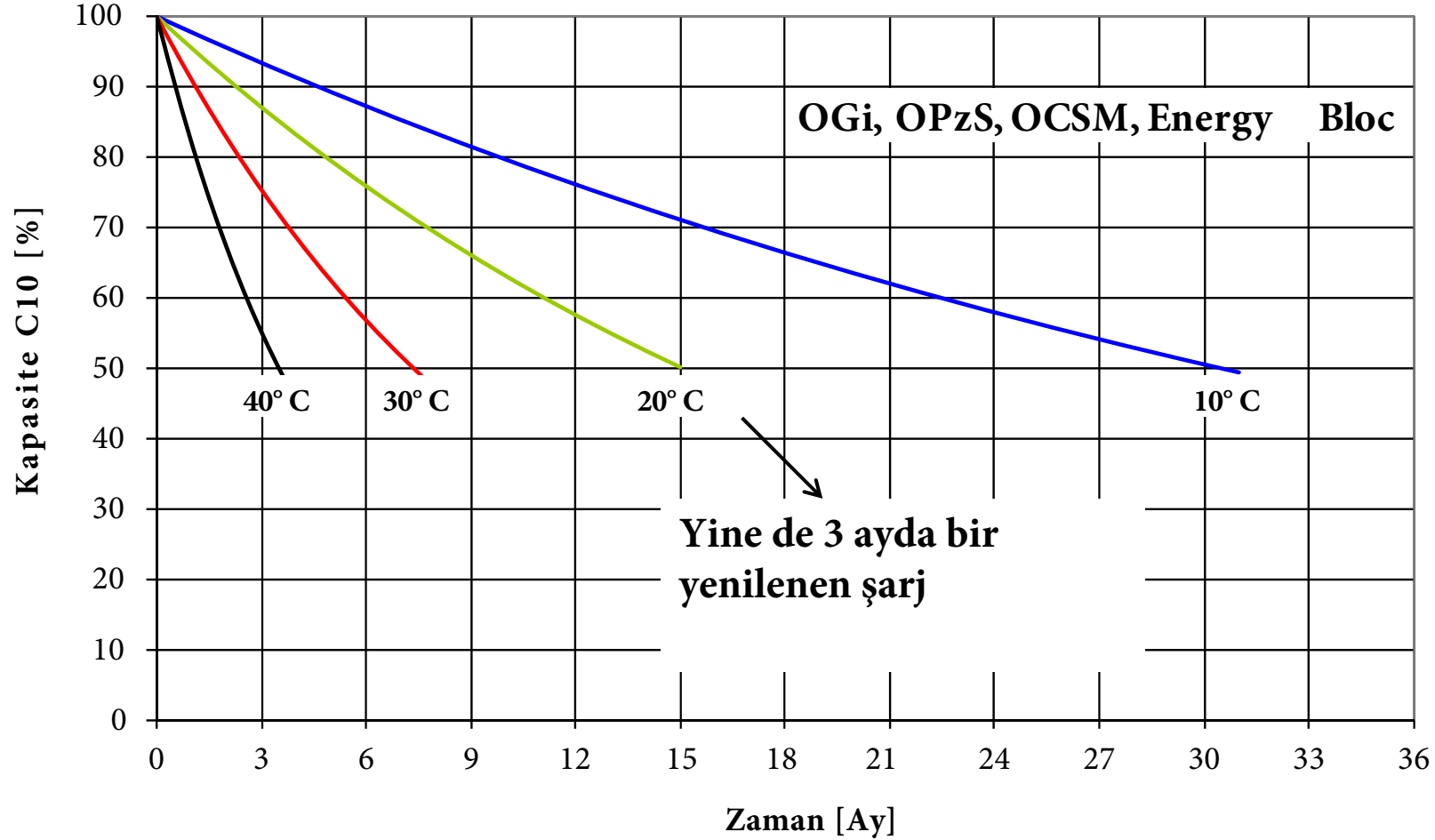
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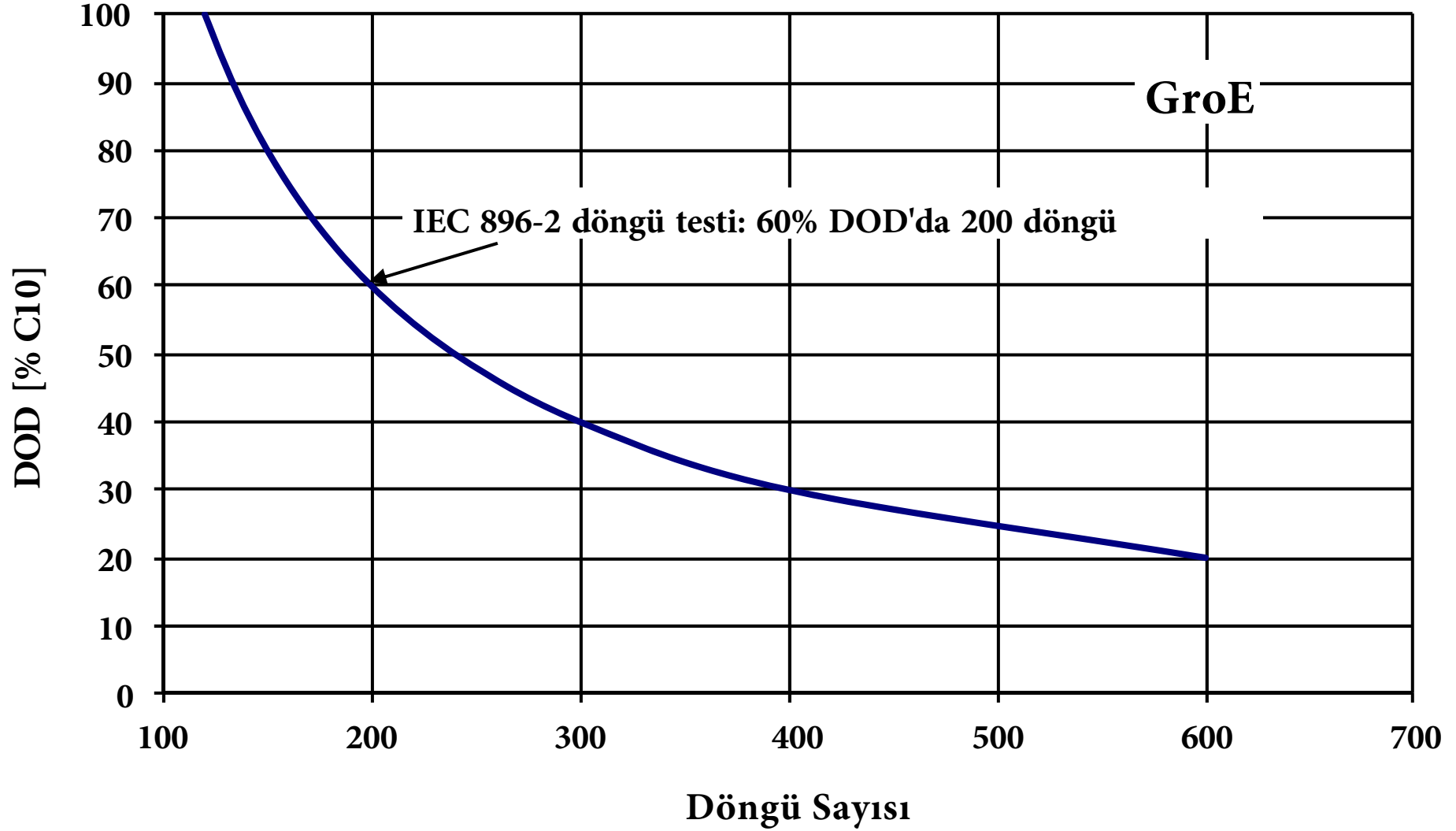
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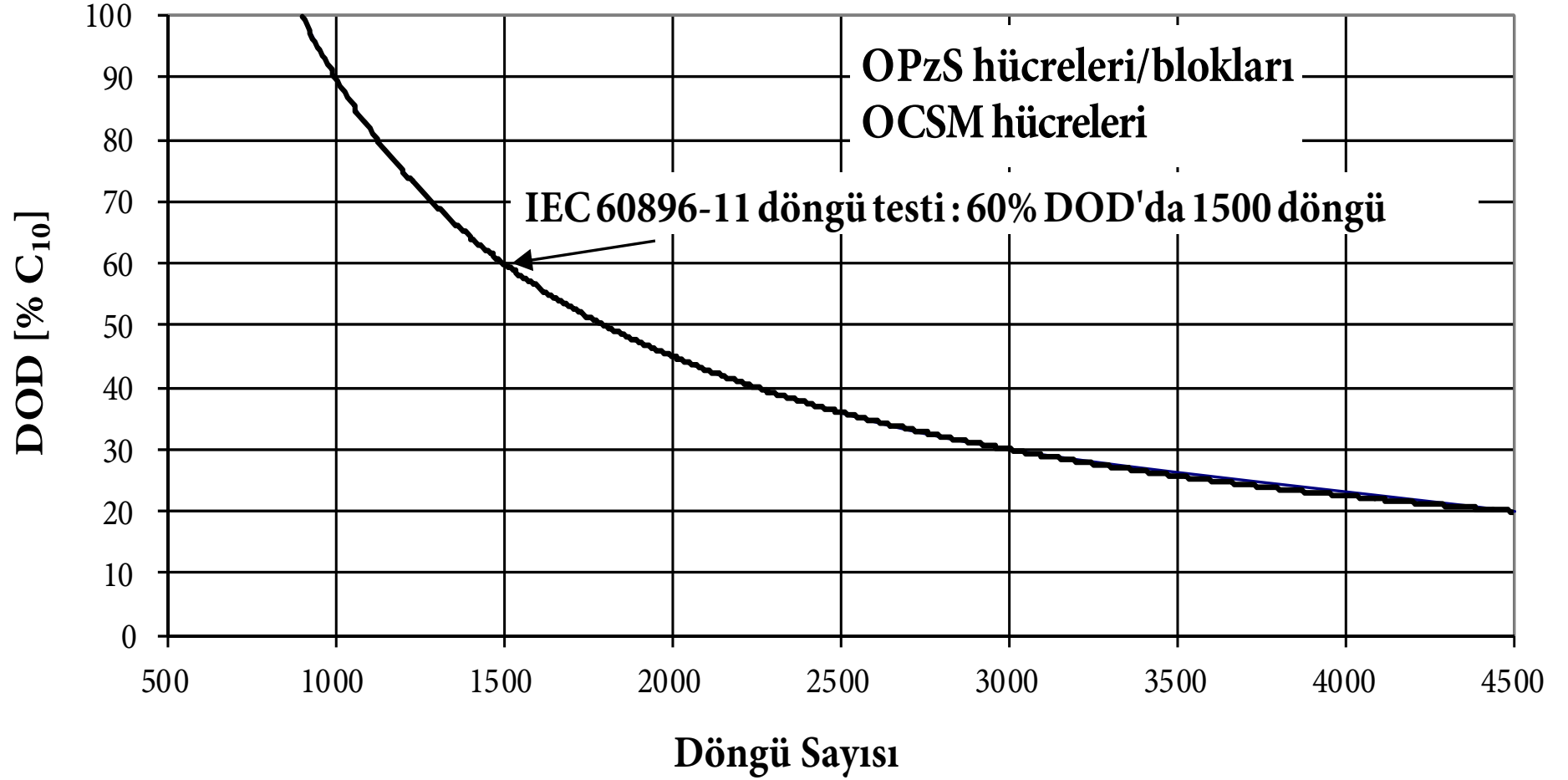
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Deşarj Derinliğine(DOD) karşı Döngü Sayısı



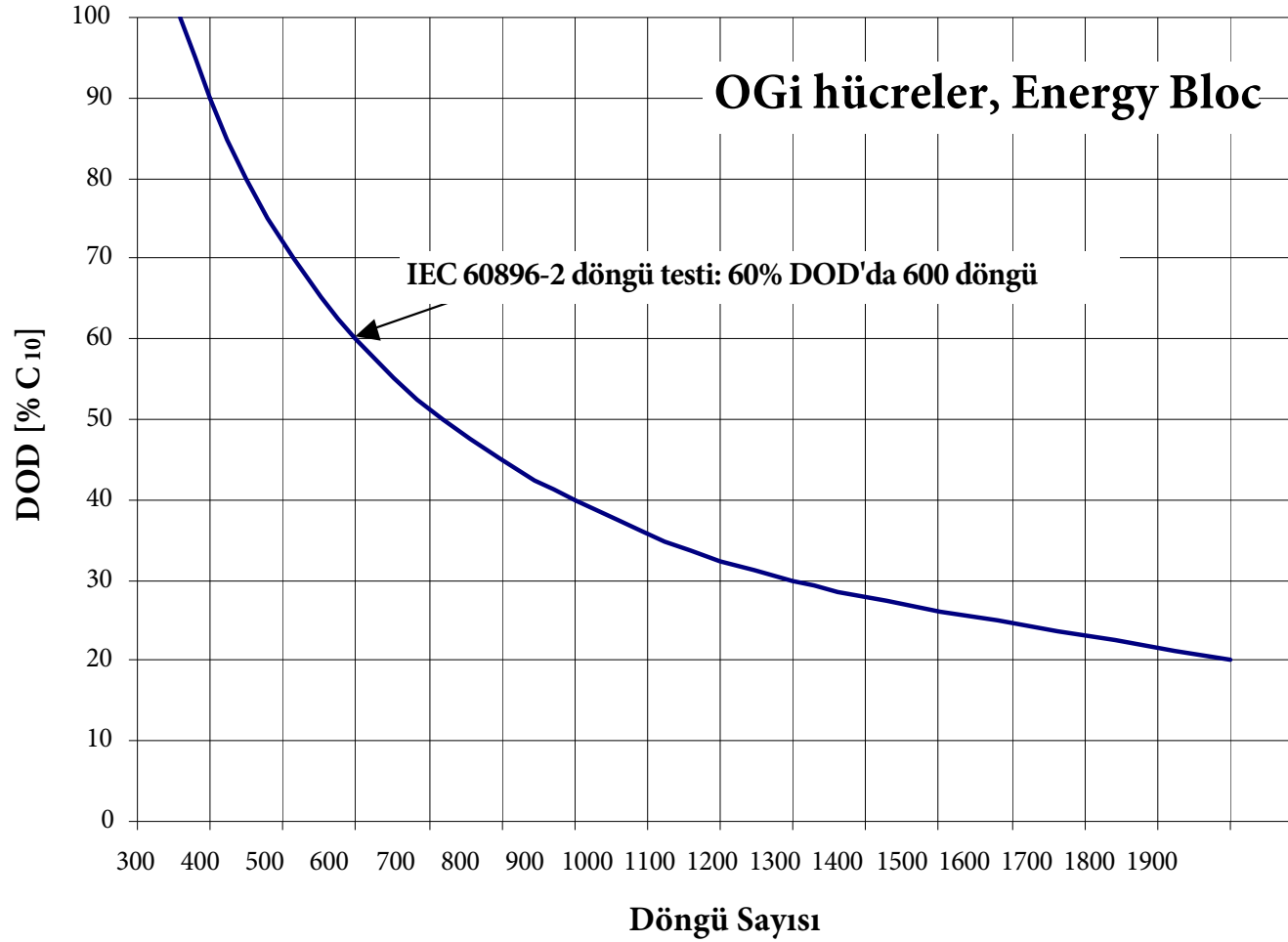
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Deşarj Derinliğine(DOD) karşı Döngü Sayısı



# Giriş ve Genel bakış

## Deşarj Derinliğine(DOD) karşı Döngü Sayısı



# Giriş ve Genel bakış

## Sülfürik asit içeriğine karşı Elektrolit yoğunluğu



20°C 'da Asit yoğunluğu [kg/l]	Sülfürik asit içeriği (H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> )		
	Kütle kısmı [%]	Madde miktarı [mol/l]	Kütle konsantrasyonu [g/l]
1.100	15.18	1.704	166.98
1.110	16.45	1.863	182.60
1.120	17.80	2.034	199.36
1.130	19.15	2.208	216.40
1.140	20.47	2.381	233.36
1.150	21.81	2.558	250.70
1.160	23.11	2735	268.07
1.170	24.39	2.911	285.36
1.180	25.63	3.086	302.43
1.190	26.90	3.266	320.11
1.200	18.12	3.443	337.44
1.210	29.34	3.622	355.01
1.220	30.55	3.805	372.71
1.230	31.78	3.989	390.89
1.240	32.98	4.173	408.95
1.250	34.18	4.360	427.25
1.260	35.40	4.551	446.04
1.270	36.60	4.743	464.82
1.280	37.81	4.938	483.97
1.290	38.93	5.124	502.20
1.300	40.10	5.319	521.30
1.310	41.22	5.510	539.94
1.320	42.35	5.704	559.04
1.330	43.48	5.901	578.26
1.340	44.60	6.098	597.58
1.350	45.71	6.296	617.02

## Giriş ve Genel Bakış

Asit doldurma/kullanmadaki kirlilikler



### Asit doldurma/kullanmadaki kirlilikler

- › Kurşun-asit akülerin doldurulması için kullanılan sülfürik asit berrak ve renksiz olmalıdır. Aside dahil edilen safsızlıklar, tablo 1'de verilen hiçbir değeri aşmayacaktır.
- › Elektrolitin kullanılması için, tablo 2'deki azami sınırlar geçerli olacaktır.

## Giriş ve Genel Bakış

Asit doldurmadaki kirlilikler (tablo 1)

≤ 1,30 kg/l yoğunluk aralığında seyreltilmiş sülfürik asidin dolgu asidi olarak izin verilen safsızlığı

No.	Safsızlık	mg/l maks.
1	Platin grubunun metalleri	0.05
2	Renyum	0.1
3	Bakır	0.5
4	Hidrojen sülfid grubunun kurşun dışındaki diğer metalleri, örn. arsenik, antimon, bizmut, kalay, selenyum, tellür	
	tek tek	1.0
	hep birlikte	2.0
5	Manganez, krom, titanyum, nikel	
	tek tek	0.2
6	Demir	30
7	Amonyum sülfid grubunun alüminyum ve çinko dışındaki diğer metalleri, örn. kobalt	
	tek tek	1.0
	hep birlikte	2.0
8	Klorür olarak hesaplanan halojenler	5
9	Nitrat formunda azot	10
10	Diğer formdaki azot örn. amonyak	50
11	Asetik asit olarak hesaplanan uçucu organik asitler	20
12	Oksitlenebilir organik katsayısı KMnO <sub>4</sub> tüketimi olarak hesaplanmıştır.	30
13	Tavlama kalıntısı	250

# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

## Asit kullanımındaki kirlilikler (tablo 2)

≤ 1,30 kg/l yoğunluk aralığında seyreltilmiş sülfürik asidin dolgu asidi olarak izin verilen kirliliği

No.	Safsızlık	mg/l <sup>2)</sup> maks.
1	Platin grubunun metalleri	n.n <sup>1)</sup>
2	Renyum	n.n <sup>1)</sup>
3	Bakır	n.n <sup>1)</sup>
4	Tellurium and selenium individually	1.0
5	Hidrojen sülfür grubunun kurşun ve antimon dan diğer metalleri, ör. arsenik, bizmut,	
	tek tek	3.0
	hep birlikte	6.0
6	Antimon	3
7	Manganez, krom, titanyum, nikel	
	tek tek	0.2
8	Demir	100
9	Amonyum sülfid grubunun alüminyum ve çinko dışındaki diğer metalleri, örn. kobalt	
	tek tek	1.0
	hep birlikte	2.0
10	Klorür olarak hesaplanan halojenler	50
11	Nitrat formunda azot	10
12	Diğer formdaki azot örn. amonyak	50
13	Asetik asit olarak hesaplanan uçucu organik asitler	30
14	Oksitlenebilir organik katyas KMnO <sub>4</sub> tüketimi olarak hesaplanmıştır.	50

- 1) Bu metaller negatif elektrot üzerinde neredeyse tamamen birikmiş kalır. Bu zararlı maddelerin reaksiyonu üzerine artmış bir kendi kendine deşarj gözlenir.
- 2) Metaller için genel olarak geçerli sınır değerler belirlemek mümkün değildir. Akülere zararlı içerik seviyeleri, hücrenin tipine, yaşına ve çalışma koşullarına bağlı olarak diğerleri arasındadır.



# Giriş ve Genel Bakış

Doldurma suyundaki kirlilikler



## Arıtılmış suyun fiziksel gereksinimleri

Görünüm	temiz, renksiz, kokusuz, yağ damlamasız
pH değeri	5 ila 7 arası
20° C 'da elektrik iletkenliği	
- taze hazırlanmış	$\leq 10 \mu S/cm$
- hücreye kadar	$\leq 30 \mu S/cm$

## Giriş ve Genel Bakış

Doldurma suyundaki kirlilikler

### Chemical requirements of purified water

The purified water shall not exceed the limit values given in table

Cons. No.	Impurities	mg/l max.
1	Buharlaşıma kalıntısı	10
2	Hidrojen sülfid grubunun	20
3	(Pb, Sb, As, Sn, Bi, Cu, Cd) her elementinin KMnO <sub>4</sub> tüketimi olarak hesaplanan oksit edilebilir organik maddeler	tek tek < 0.1 hep birlikte < 0.5
4	Amonyum sülfid grubunun metalleri (Fe, Co, Ni, Mn, Cr)	her element tek tek < 0.1 hep birlikte < 0.5
5	Klorür olarak hesaplanan halojenler	0.5
6	Nitrat formunda azot	2.0
7	Diğer formdaki azot örn. amonyak	40

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Konum / yenileme şarjı

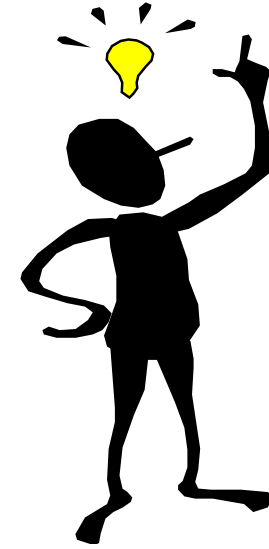
- › Konum: Kuru, donmaz oda,  $\leq 20$  °C
- › Yenileme şarjı:
  - › her 3 ayda veya...
  - › “ Çalıştırma Talimatları ”na göre değişken şarj  
(şarj gerilimi = 2.23 Vpc (OCSM: 2.25 Vpc) \*hücre sayısı)
- › Yüksek sıcaklıklarda ne olur ?



# Stasyonel Sulu Tip Aküler

Kendi kendine deşarj

- › Yüksek sıcaklıklar kendi kendine deşarjı hızlandıracaktır
- › “Arrhenius” Kanunu:  
10 °C başına kendi kendine deşarj oranı
  - yenileme şarjı aralığı yarıya indirilmelidir.
- › Örnek:  
30 °C → aralık şöyle olmalı  
3 ay yerine 1.5 ay



## Stasyonel Sulu Tip Aküler

Şarj Durumu(SOC)



- › Deşarj sırasında ve ayrıca kendi kendine deşarj sırasında elektrolit yoğunluğu azalır
- › Açık Devre Gerilimi elektrolit yoğunluğuna bağlıdır



# Konular





# Stationary vented batteries

## Installation



- › Max. ambient temperature difference  $\leq 10$  °C  
(bottom ↔ top, left ↔ right)
- › Distance between cells/blocks approx. 10 mm,  
at least 5 mm
- › The battery must never be installed in an air-tight enclosure
- › See “Installation/Operating Instructions” for details

# Stationary vented batteries

## Installation



Rule regarding OCV: The block tolerance correlates to the single cell by:

$$\text{Tolerance}_{\text{block}} = \text{Tolerance}_{\text{cell}} * \sqrt{n} \text{ (n = Number of cells per block).}$$

Basis: measured mean value

Unit	Number of cells	$\sqrt{n}$	Max. $\pm$ tolerance [V]	
			Vented Batt.	VRLA Batt.
2V-cell	1	1	0.02	0.03
4V-block	2	1.414	0.028	0.042
6V-block	3	1.732	0.035	0.052
8V-block	4	2	0.040	0.060
10V-block	5	2.236	0.045	0.067
12V-block	6	2.449	0.049	0.073

# Stationary vented batteries

## Installation



Example:

Vented battery, 12V-blocks

Measured  $U_0$ -mean: 12.84 V (= 2.14 Vpc)

Max.  $\pm$  tolerance: 0.049 V

Permissible  $U_0$ - range:

$$U_{0,\max} = 12.84 \text{ V} + 0.049 \text{ V} = 12.889 \text{ V} (= 2.148 \text{ Vpc})$$

$$U_{0,\min} = 12.84 \text{ V} - 0.049 \text{ V} = 12.791 \text{ V} (= 2.132 \text{ Vpc})$$

# Stationary vented batteries

## Installation



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### Installation instruction for stationary lead acid batteries (Batteries / Stands / Cabinets)



- Observe these instructions and keep them located near the battery for future reference. Work on the battery should only be carried out by qualified personnel.
- Do not smoke.
- Do not use any naked flame or other sources of ignition.
- Risk of explosion and fire.
- While working on batteries wear protective eye-glasses and clothing.
- Observe the accident prevention rules as well as EN 50 272-2, EN 50110-1.
- An acid splash on the skin or in the eyes must be flushed with plenty of clean water immediately. Then seek medical assistance.
- Spillages on clothing should be rinsed out with water.

- Explosion and fire hazard, avoid short circuits.
- Avoid electrostatic charges and discharges / sparks!
- Electrolyte is very corrosive. In normal working conditions the contact with the electrolyte is impossible. If the cell or monoblock container is damaged do not touch the exposed electrolyte because it is corrosive.
- Blocks/cells are very heavy! Make sure they are installed securely! Only use suitable means of transport.
- Block/cell containers are sensitive to mechanical damage.
- Handle with care
- Do not lift or pull up blocks/cells on the poles.
- Dangerous electric voltage!
- Caution! Metal parts of the battery are always alive, therefore do not place items or tools on the battery.

Non-compliance with Installation Instruction, installations or repairs made with other than original accessories and spare parts or with accessories and spare parts not recommended by the battery manufacturer or repairs made without authorization (e.g. opening of valves on VRLA batteries) and use of additives for the electrolytes on flooded batteries (alleged enhancing agents) render the warranty void.

#### 1. Installation preconditions and preparations

- 1.1 Prior to commencing installation, ensure that the battery room is clean and dry and that it has a lockable door. The battery room must meet the requirements in accordance with EN 50 272-2 and be marked as such. Pay attention to the following aspects:
- Load bearing capacity and nature of the floor (transport paths and battery room)
  - Electrolytic resistance of the area where the battery is to be installed
  - Ventilation
- To ensure trouble free installation, coordination should be made with other personnel working in the same area.
- 1.2 Check delivery for complete and undamaged components. If necessary, clean all parts prior to installation.

- 1.3 Follow instructions in the documentation supplied (e.g. installation drawings for battery, stand, cabinet).
- 1.4 Prior to removing old batteries always ensure that all of the leads have been disconnected (flood-break switches, fuses, insulations). This must be carried out only by personnel authorized to perform circuit operations.
- 1.5 Carry out open circuit voltage measurements on the individual cells or monoblock batteries. At the same time, ensure that they are connected in the correct polarity. As for unfiltered and charged batteries, these measurements can only be taken after commissioning. The open-circuit voltages of fully charged cells at temperature of 20 °C are as follows:

Product range flooded (Classic)		
OPFS-cells	DIN 40736	2.08 Vpc ± 0.01
OPFS-blocks	DIN 40737	2.08 Vpc ± 0.01
OCSM-cells		2.10 Vpc ± 0.01
OCM-cells	DIN 40738	2.06 Vpc ± 0.01
OC-cells ≤ 250 Ah		2.08 Vpc ± 0.01
OC-cells ≤ 260 Ah		2.10 Vpc ± 0.01
OC-blocks		2.10 Vpc ± 0.01
Energy Block		2.08 Vpc ± 0.01

Product range VRLA (Gel, AGM)		
OPFV-cells	DIN 40742	min. 2.12 Vpc
OPFV-blocks	DIN 40744	min. 2.12 Vpc
OGV-blocks		min. 2.14 Vpc

The open-circuit voltage of the individual cells / blocks should not vary themselves from the measured average value by more than the plus/minus-tolerances listed in the table below (guide values).

Unit	Max. ± tolerance [V]	
	Vented	VRLA
2V-cells	0.020	0.030
4V-Block	0.028	0.042
6V-Block	0.035	0.052
8V-Block	0.040	0.060
10V-Block	0.045	0.067
12V-Block	0.049	0.073

- Higher temperatures cause the open-circuit voltage to be lower, whereas lower temperatures cause it to be higher. At a deviation of 15 K from the nominal temperature, the open-circuit voltage changes by 0.003 Vpc.
- If the deviation is any higher than shown in the table, contact the supplier.
2. Stands
- 2.1 Locate the stands/locks within the battery room in accordance with the installation plan. If an installation plan does not exist, observe the following minimum distances:
- From the wall: 100 mm all around, with regard to cells or monoblocks, or 50 mm, concerning of the stands.
  - At a nominal voltage or partial voltage >120V: 1.5 metres between non-insulated leads or

- connectors and grounded parts (e.g. water pipes) and/or between the battery terminals. During the installation of the batteries, ensure that EN 50 272-2 part 2 is observed (e.g. by covering electrically conductive parts with insulating mats).
  - Width of aisles: 1.5 x cell width (built-in depth), but not less than 500 mm.
- 2.2 Balance battery stands horizontally, using the balance parts supplied, or adjustable insulators. The distances of the base rails must correspond to the dimensions of the cells or monoblock batteries. For horizontal installation of blocks/cells please ensure, that the beam does not support the lid/covers of blocks/cells; see drawing 1. Check the stands for stability and all screwed and clamped joints for firm connection. Earth (ground) the stand or parts of the stand, if required. Screwed joints must be protected against corrosion.
- 2.3 Check cells or monoblock batteries for perfect condition (visual check, polarity).
- 2.4 Place cells or monoblock batteries on the stand one after another, ensuring correct polarity. For large cells it is useful to start installing the cells in the middle of the stand:
- Align cells or monoblock batteries parallel to each other. Distance between cells or monoblock batteries approx. 10 mm, at least 5 mm.
  - If necessary, clean the contacting surfaces of the terminals and connectors.
  - Place and screw intercell or monoblock

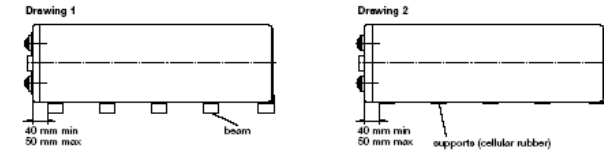
- connectors, using an insulated torque wrench (for correct torque value refer to battery operating instructions). If applicable, observe special instructions with regard to the intercell connectors (e.g. welded connectors).
- Place the series, step or tie connectors supplied and screw them together, observing the given torque values.
- Avoid short circuits! Use leads of at least 3 kV breakdown voltage or keep an air distance of approx. 10 mm between the leads and electrically conductive parts, or apply additional insulation to the connectors. Avoid applying any mechanical force on the cell/battery poles.
- If applicable, remove transport plugs and replace by operational plugs.
- Check electrolyte level. (Observe operating instructions / commissioning instructions).
- Measure total voltage (nominal voltage: sum of open circuit voltages of the individual cells or monoblock batteries).
- If necessary sequentially number the cells or monoblock batteries in a visible place between the positive terminal of the battery and the negative terminal of the battery.
- Apply polarity signs for the battery leads.
- Attach safety marking, type label and operating instructions in a visible place.
- If necessary, fit insulating covers for cell / monoblock connectors and terminals.

#### 3. Cabinets

##### 3.1

- Cabinets with built-in battery:
- Install the battery cabinet at the location assigned, observing the accident prevention rules.
  - Leave additional space from the wall for possible or planned cable entries.
  - If applicable, remove transport protection from the built-in cells or monoblock batteries.
  - Check cells or monoblock batteries for correct positioning and for any mechanical damage.
- 3.2 Cabinets with separately delivered cells or monoblock batteries:
- Only filled and charged cells and/or monoblock batteries (vented or valve regulated) are built into cabinets.
  - Assemble cabinet, place and align at the assigned location (observe the accident prevention rules).
  - Place cells or monoblock batteries in the cabinet, in accordance with the installation plan, use the enclosed cellular number according drawing 2 and the defined distances, connect electrically and apply markings (see point 2.4).
4. CE marking  
Batteries with a nominal voltage from 75 V onwards require an EC conformity declaration according to the low voltage directive 2006/95/EC (replaces 73/23/EEC), which entails that the CE marking is applied to the battery. The company installing the battery is responsible for supplying the declaration and applying the CE marking.

**WARNING:**  
Prior to connecting the battery to the charger, ensure that all installation work has been duly completed.



For drawing 1 and 2  
Number of supports:

- 4 OPzV 200 - 6 OPzV 300 = 3 pieces
- 5 OPzV 350 - 7 OPzV 450 = 4 pieces
- 6 OPzV 600 - 12 OPzV 1200 = 5 pieces
- 15 OPzV 1500 - 24 OPzV 3000 = 6 pieces

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# Agenda



1. Introduction and General
2. Storage
3. Installation
4. **Commissioning**
5. Charging
6. Discharge
7. Influence of Temperature
8. Ventilation
9. AC Ripple
10. Maintenance and Control
11. Q & A

# Stationary vented batteries

Commissioning of dry-charged cells/block batteries



## Commissioning Instructions and Report (dry-charged cells)

## Mixing Instructions (to produce filling sulphuric acid for dry-charged cells)

# Stationary vented batteries

## Commissioning of dry-charged cells/block batteries



### Commissioning instructions and report for a vented lead-acid battery

#### Nominal data

- Nominal voltage: \_\_\_\_\_ V
- Nominal capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Ah
- Battery-no.: \_\_\_\_\_
- Cells / blocks: \_\_\_\_\_
- Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioned by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Started on \_\_\_\_\_ Completed on \_\_\_\_\_



- Follow installation instructions! Work on batteries to be carried out only upon instruction by skilled personnel, whilst observing the commissioning and/or operating instructions!
- Do not smoke!
- Do not use any naked flame or other sources of ignition. Risk of explosion and fire!
- While working on batteries wear protective goggles and clothing!
- Observe the accident prevention rules as well as EN 50272-2, EN 50110-1!
- Any acid splashes on the skin or in the eyes must be rinsed with plenty of clean water immediately. Then seek medical assistance. Spillages on clothing should be rinsed out with water!
- Explosion and fire hazard, avoid short circuits.
- Avoid electrostatic charges and discharges/spark!
- Electrolyte is strongly corrosive!
- Blocks/cells are very heavy! Make sure they are installed securely! Only use suitable means of transport!
- Block/cell containers are sensitive to mechanical damage.
- Handle with care!
- Do not lift or pull up blocks/cells on the poles.
- Caution! Dangerous voltage.
- Metal parts of the battery are always alive, therefore do not place items or tools on the battery!

Non-compliance with commissioning instructions and installations or repairs made with other than original accessories and spare parts or with accessories and spare parts not recommended by the battery manufacturer or repairs made without authorization and use of additives for the electrolytes (alleged enhancing agents) render the warranty void. The commissioning report must be filled in and returned to the battery manufacturer.

Spent batteries have to be collected and recycled separately from normal household wastes (EWC 160601). The handling of spent batteries is described in the EU Battery Directive (2006/66/EC) and their national transpositions (UK: HS Regulation 1994 No. 232, Ireland: Statutory Instrument No. 73/2000). Contact your supplier to agree upon the recollection and recycling of your spent batteries or contact a local and authorized Waste Management Company.

#### 1. Checks

The battery system as well as the charger must be checked to be free from mechanical damage. All screws within the circuit must be tightened in accordance with the operating instructions for the battery, establishing safe contact.

The charger must be checked for its readiness for working. Check for correct polarity. Before filling the cells it has to be ensured that the guideline of EN 50272-2 and EN 50110-1 regarding the installation and ventilation are observed. If the current applied during the commissioning is greater than what the ventilation system is designed for, the ventilation of the battery room must be increased for the duration of commissioning

and for an hour afterwards depending on the charge current applied, e.g. by additional portable ventilators. The same applies to occasional special charging treatment of batteries.

#### 2. Filling the cells

The filling acid with the density defined in table 1 must meet the purity standards laid down in DIN 43 530 part 2. If concentrated sulphuric acid has been delivered, the mixing instructions must be observed. The temperature of the filling acid shall range between 15° C and 30° C. Prior to filling, the temperature is to be measured and recorded in the commissioning report.

Upon removal of the transport plugs or upon opening the vent plugs, the cells shall be filled up to the lower electrolyte level indication. Acid-resistant filling devices are to be used for this purpose. Transport plugs may not be used during the battery operation. They must be replaced by vent plugs, which are included in the delivery.

Table 1: Electrolyte density in kg/l at 20° C

Cell type	Filling density [kg/l]	Nominal density [kg/l]	Temperature ° C
GrE	1,21	1,22	20
OPES, EB, OGI ≤ 250 Ah	1,23	1,24	20
OCOM, OGI ≤ 250 Ah	1,25	1,26	20
OPES SOLAR	1,23	1,24	25
EnrSol	1,27	1,28	25
EnrSOT	1,25	1,26	25

Higher temperature reduce the electrolyte density, lower temperatures increase it. The relevant correction factor is 0,0007 kg/l per K.

Example: Electrolyte density of 1,23 kg/l at 35° C corresponds to a density of 1,24 kg/l at 20° C.

#### 3. Rest period

Once the cells have been filled, they must rest for a period of 2 hours. Afterwards the temperature and electrolyte density must be measured in at least 4 to 8 cells (pilot cells), depending on the total number, and the results must be entered in the commissioning report. If the temperature rise is less than 5 K and the electrolyte density has not decreased by more than 0,02 kg/l below the density of the filling acid, a simplified commissioning charge, as described at 4.1 and/or 4.2 is sufficient.

If one of the deviations is greater, an extended commissioning charge, as described at 4.3, is required.

#### 4. Commissioning

The vent plugs in non-transparent containers stay open, in order to be able to see whether towards the end of charging all cells are gassing evenly. It is important that the first charging is carried out completely. This is possible only at a charge voltage greater than 2,35 V/cell. Interruptions should be avoided if possible. The commissioning data shall be recorded in the commissioning report sheet overleaf. During commissioning the cell voltage shall be measured at the pilot cells and upon completion of

commissioning, cell voltage, electrolyte density and temperature shall be recorded in the commissioning report, including indication of time. The electrolyte temperature must not exceed 55° C. If necessary, the charging must be interrupted.

#### 4.1 Commissioning charge at constant voltage (U characteristic)

A charge voltage of 2,35 - 2,4 V/cell is required. The initial charge current should be at least 5 A per 100 Ah C<sub>20</sub>. In the course of charging, the electrolyte density increases only slowly, therefore it may take several days of charging until a minimum density, i.e. the nominal electrolyte density -0,01 kg/l is reached. Afterwards the charger must be switched over to float charge operation as described in the operation instructions. During operation the electrolyte density will reach the nominal value.

#### 4.2 Commissioning charge at constant

Charging characteristic	Charge current
I characteristic	5 A
W characteristic at:	
2,0 V/cell	14,0 A
2,4 V/cell	7,0 A
2,65 V/cell	3,5 A

current (I characteristic) or at descending current (W characteristic). The maximum admissible currents are shown in table 2.

Table 2: maximum admissible charge currents in A per 100 Ah C<sub>20</sub> for I and W charging

- Charging must be continued until
- all cells have reached a voltage of at least 2,6 V,
- the electrolyte density in all cells has increased to the nominal value ± 0,01 kg/l, and until these values do not increase any more for another 2 hours

Afterwards switch over to float charge voltage as described in the operating instructions.

#### 4.3 Extended commissioning charge

Long storage periods or climatic influences (humidity, temperature variations) cause a decrease in the state of the change of the cells. In these cases an extended commissioning charge is required as follows:

1. Charge at 15 A per 100 Ah C<sub>20</sub> until 2,4 V/cell are reached (approx. 3-5 hours).
2. Charge for 14 hours at 5 A per 100 Ah C<sub>20</sub> (voltage rises higher than 2,4 V/cell)
3. Pause of one hour
4. 4 hours charging at 5 A per 100 Ah C<sub>20</sub>

Points 3 and 4 are to be repeated until - all cells have reached a voltage of at least 2,6 V/cell

- the electrolyte density in all cells has increased to the nominal value ± 0,01 kg/l, and until these values do not increase any more for another 2 hours.

Afterwards switch over to float charge voltage, as described in the operating instructions.

#### 4.4 Electrolyte level adjustment

Once the commissioning is completed, the electrolyte level must be adjusted to the top level indication by using filling acid.

#### 4.5 Electrolyte density adjustment

If at the end of commissioning the electrolyte density turns out to be too high, part of the electrolyte must be replaced by purified water pursuant to DIN 43 530 part 4.

The electrolyte density of the individual cells should not vary by more than 0,01 kg/l. If the variations are any greater, the electrolyte density must be adjusted and afterwards an equalizing charge is to be carried out as described in the operating instructions.

#### 5. Note:

Leak or spills of acid must be carefully removed and/or neutralised. A soda solution (1 kg soda to 10 litres of water) or other neutralising agents can be used for this purpose. Neutralising agents must not get into the cell. Finally the battery surface is to be cleaned (ZVEI instruction leaflet "Cleaning of batteries" refers). The instructions given in the ZVEI leaflet "Safety data sheet for battery acid (dilute sulphuric acid)" are to be followed.

Concerning the operation of the battery the operating instructions apply.

#### 6. Commissioning report

- Was the acid delivered by the battery manufacturer?  yes  no
- If not, was the filling acid analysed for chlorine, iron or other detrimental metals?  yes  no
- What was the test result? \_\_\_\_\_
- What was the density of the new acid prior to filling? \_\_\_\_\_ kg/l at \_\_\_\_\_ ° C
- Filling with acid started on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ h at cell no. \_\_\_\_\_
- Filling with acid was completed on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ h at cell no. \_\_\_\_\_
- Average ambient temperature \_\_\_\_\_ ° C

Pilot cells <sup>1)</sup>	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Measurement 2 h after filling								
Electrolyte density [kg/l]								
Electrolyte temperature [° C]								
Electrolyte density corrected temperature (v. point 2) [kg/l]								

<sup>1)</sup>Cell- or bloc-No.

The electrolyte density in microblock batteries is to be measured in the cell next to the positive terminal.

Commissioning charge was carried out in accordance with paragraph 4.1  4.2  4.3

Commissioning charge was started on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) at \_\_\_\_\_ (time)

Once every hour during the first 6 hours of commissioning charge the cell voltage, electrolyte density and temperature are to be measured on at least 4 pilot cells and the results are to be recorded. At the end of commissioning another 3 measurements are to be taken once every hour.

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## Commissioning of dry-charged cells/block batteries



Time	Pilot cell / bloc 1			Pilot cell / bloc 2			Pilot cell / bloc 3			Pilot cell / bloc 4		
	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]

Time	Pilot cell / bloc 5			Pilot cell / bloc 6			Pilot cell / bloc 7			Pilot cell / bloc 8		
	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]	d [kg/l]	δ [°C]	U [V]

At monobloc batteries the cell voltage (if not possible, the monobloc voltage) and the electrolyte density are to be measured in the cell next to the positive terminal

Cell/bloc voltages and electrolyte densities of all cells at a mean electrolyte temperature of \_\_\_\_\_ °C at the end of commissioning charge before switching over to float charge operation.

1)	Voltage [V]	Density [kg/l]	1)	Voltage [V]	Density [kg/l]	1)	Voltage [V]	Density [kg/l]	1)	Voltage [V]	Density [kg/l]	1)	Voltage [V]	Density [kg/l]
1		46		91		136				181				
2		47		92		137				182				
3		48		93		138				183				
4		49		94		139				184				
5		50		95		140				185				
6		51		96		141				186				
7		52		97		142				187				
8		53		98		143				188				
9		54		99		144				189				
10		55		100		145				190				
11		56		101		146				191				
12		57		102		147				192				
13		58		103		148				193				
14		59		104		149				194				
15		60		105		150				195				
16		61		106		151				196				
17		62		107		152				197				
18		63		108		153				198				
19		64		109		154				199				
20		65		110		155				200				
21		66		111		156				201				
22		67		112		157				202				
23		68		113		158				203				
24		69		114		159				204				
25		70		115		160				205				
26		71		116		161				206				
27		72		117		162				207				
28		73		118		163				208				
29		74		119		164				209				
30		75		120		165				210				
31		76		121		166				211				
32		77		122		167				212				
33		78		123		168				213				
34		79		124		169				214				
35		80		125		170				215				
36		81		126		171				216				
37		82		127		172				217				
38		83		128		173				218				
39		84		129		174				219				
40		85		130		175				220				
41		86		131		176				221				
42		87		132		177				222				
43		88		133		178				223				
44		89		134		179				224				
45		90		135		180				225				

1) Cell or bloc no.

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Commissioning of dry-charged cells/block batteries



- › ... should take place as soon as possible after receipt because cells/block batteries have lost charge already due to transport and temporary storage.
  
- › Before acceptance tests, the battery must be fully charged by the following method:
  - › Float charge,  $\geq 72$  hours,
  - › or 2.40 Vpc,  $\geq 16$  hours (max. 48 h), followed by float charge,  $\geq 8$  hours
  - › Charge current always  $\geq 10$  A/100 Ah

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# Stationary vented batteries

## Charging



### Issues:

- › Charging regime
- › Charge voltages and temperature compensation
- › Charge current
- › Charging time
- › Float current
- › Initial charge, equalizing charge

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## Charging regime



### › **IU-characteristics:**

- › for stand-by parallel operation (float charge)
- › commissioning charge
- › equalizing charge

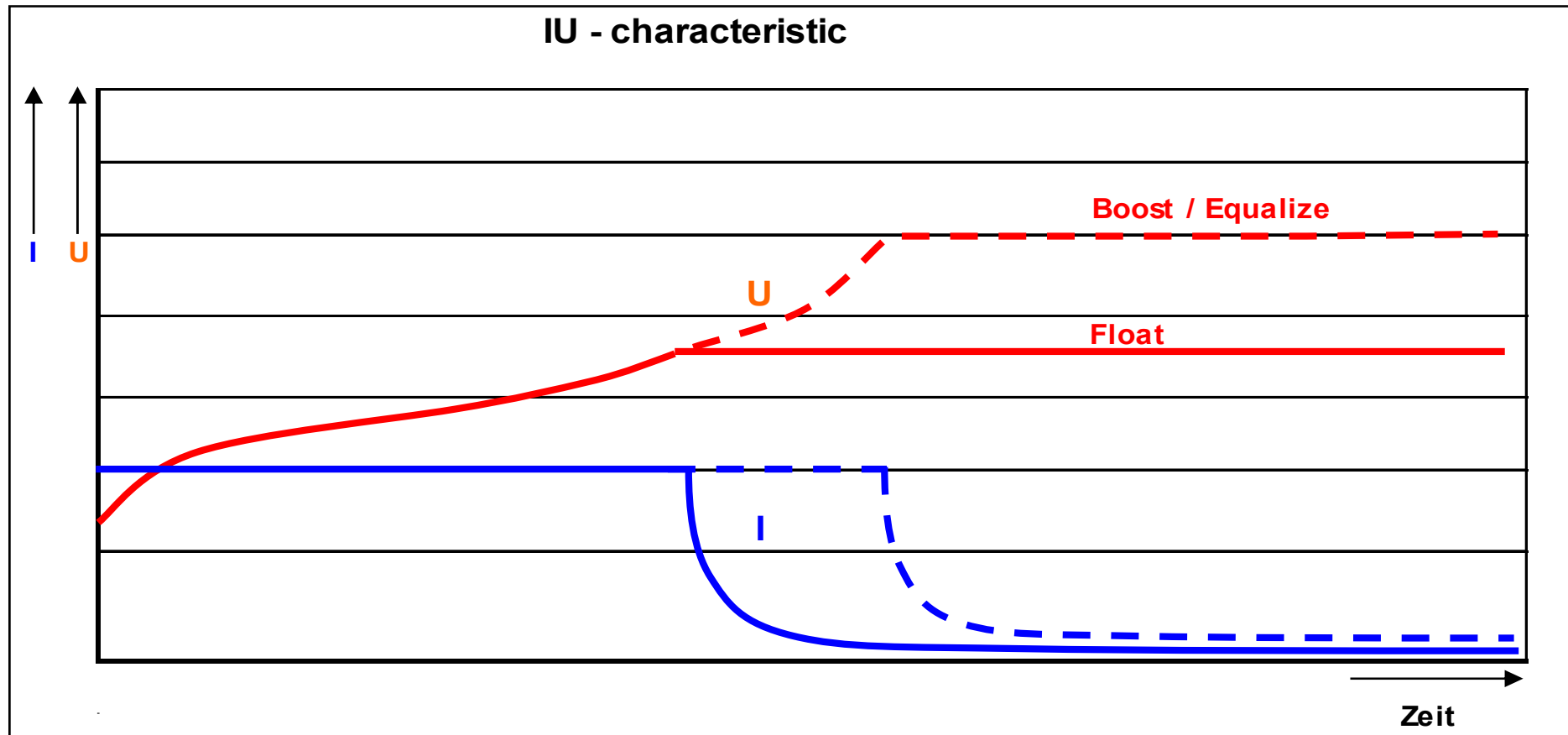
### › **I- or W-characteristics**

(load disconnected)

- › for commissioning charge and equalizing charge only

# Stationary vented batteries

Charging regime



## Stationary vented batteries

### Charge voltage



- › IU-charging (temperature from +10 °C to +30 °C)

Float charge

2.23 Vpc

(OCSM: 2.25 Vpc)

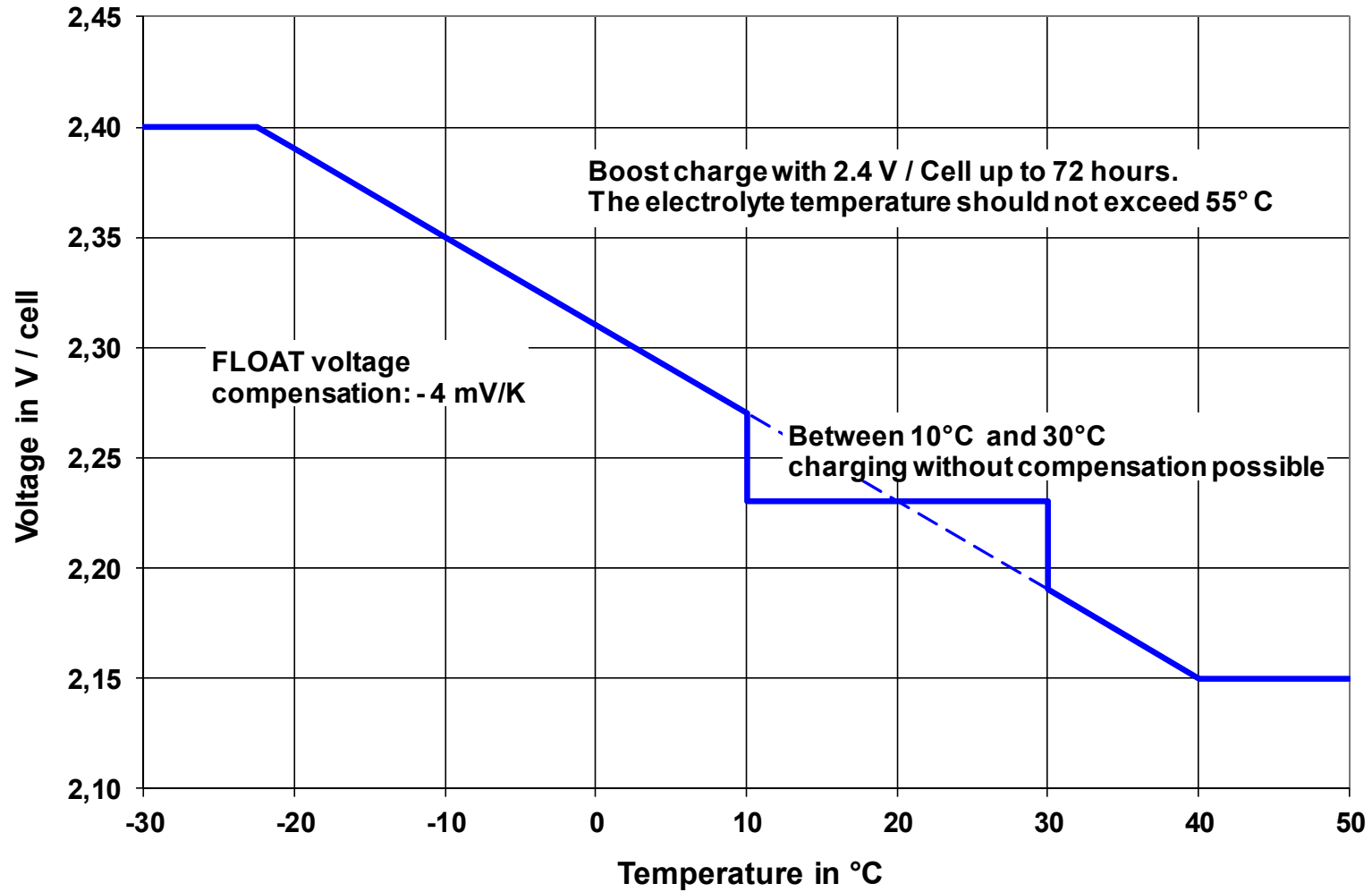
Boost charge

max 2.40 Vpc

- › Tolerance of rectifier:  $\pm 1 \%$
- › Must be temperature compensated in specified ranges...  
(see diagram “Charge Voltage vs. Temperature”)

# Stationary vented batteries

## Charge voltage



# Stationary vented batteries

## Charge current



### › IU-charging

- › Current is not limited in float charge and buffer operation
- › Recommended value: 10 A to 35 A / 100 Ah
- › Higher currents will not lead to relevant gain of recharging time
- › Lower currents will prolong the recharging time significantly



# Stationary vented batteries

Charge current



- › I-constant charging, W-charging  
(Current per 100 Ah C10)

Charging operation	Cell type		Cell voltage
I-characteristic	GroE	OGi, OPzS, OCSM	
W-characteristic			
Decreasing from	9.0 A	7.0 A	at 2.40 Vpc
to	4.5 A	3.5 A	at 2.65 Vpc

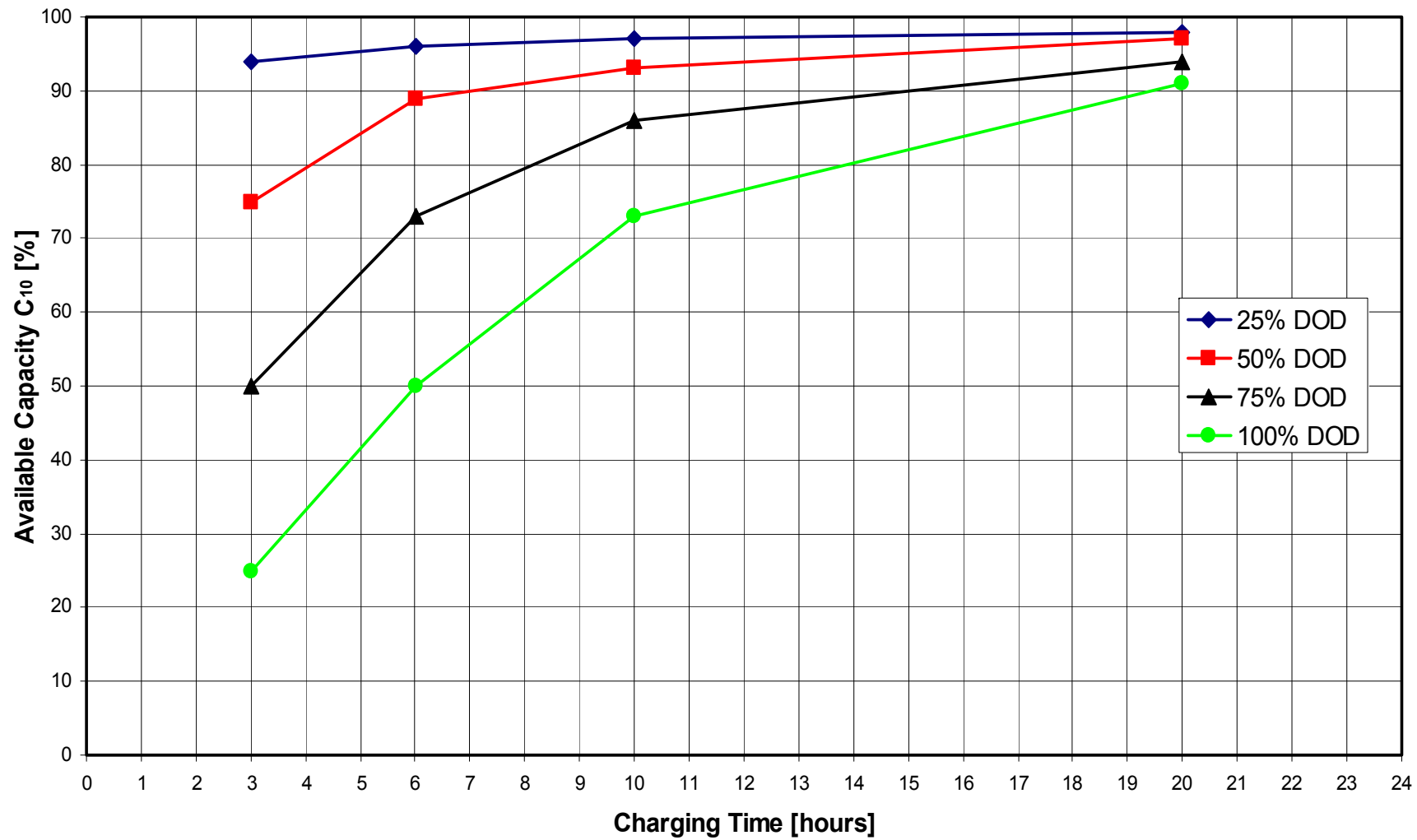
## Stationary vented batteries

Available Capacity  $C_{10}$  vs. Charging Time

- › Different graphs are available
- › Parameters:
  - › IU-Charging characteristic
  - › Typical charge voltages:  
2.23 Vpc,  
2.30 Vpc and  
2.40 Vpc
  - › Typical charge currents: 0.5 / 1 / 1.5 / 2 \*  $I_{10}$
  - › 20 °C
- › Following two examples...

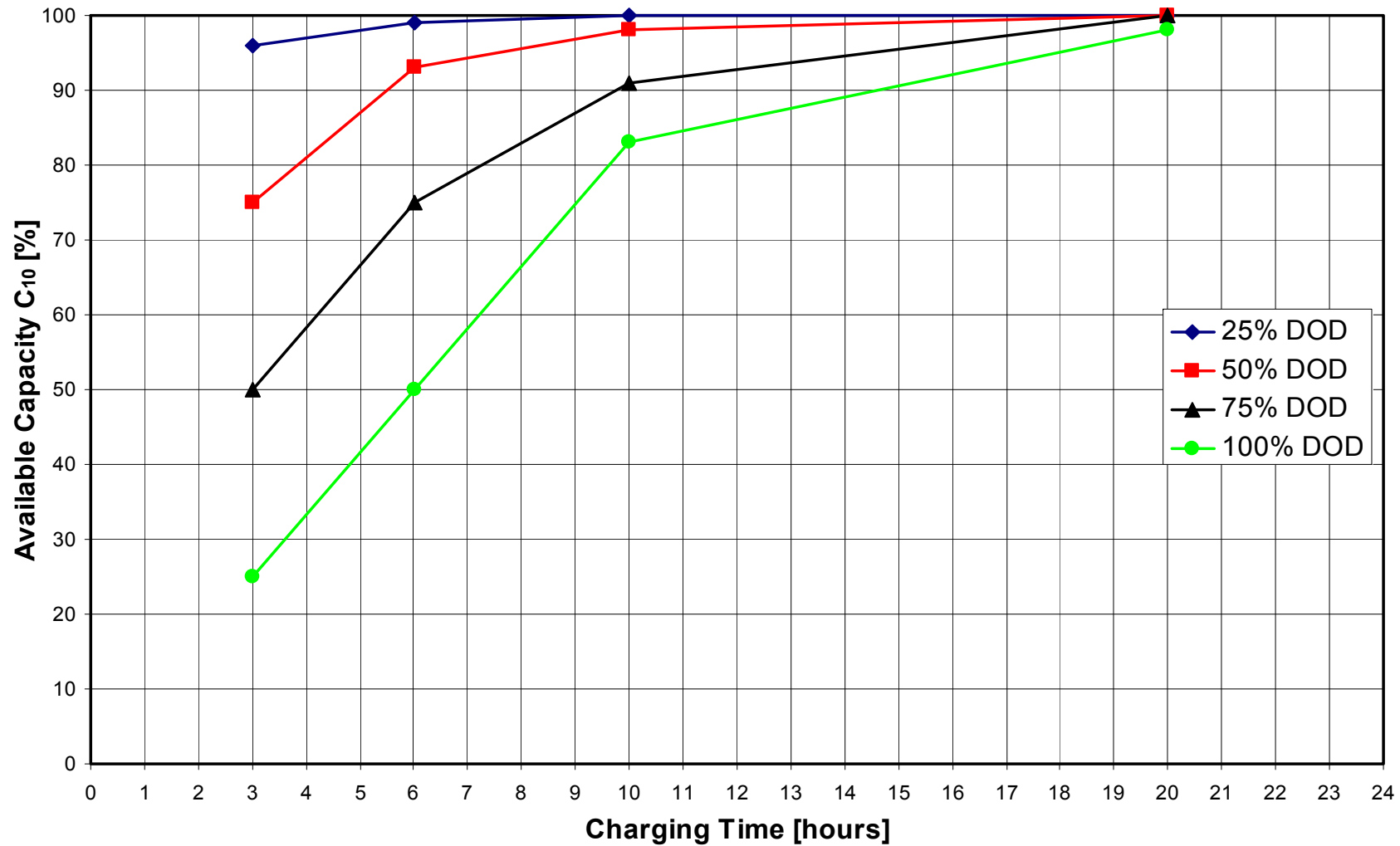
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Recharge:  $2.23 \text{ Vpc}, 1 * I_{10}$



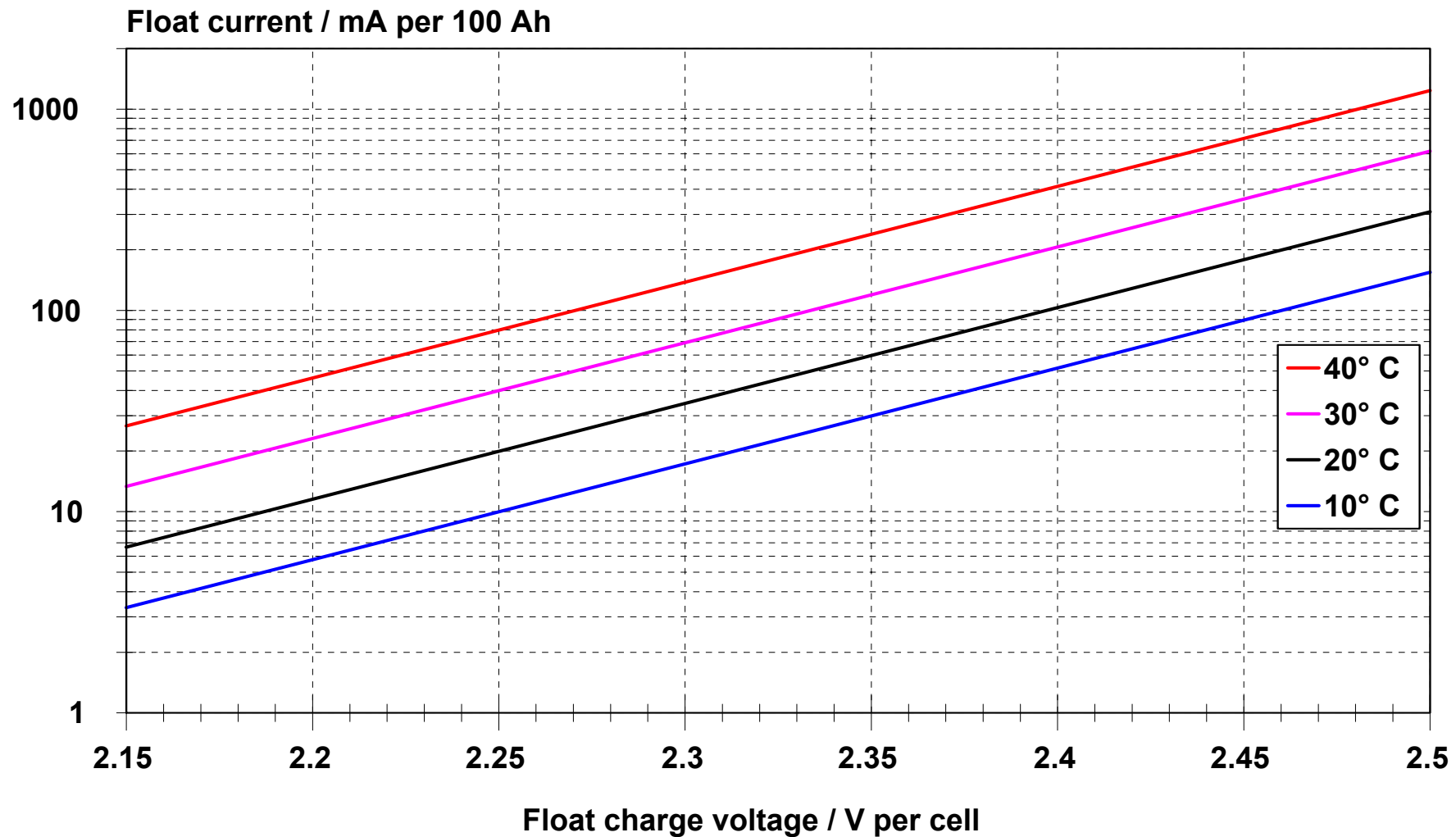
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Recharge:  $2.40 \text{ Vpc}, 1 * I_{10}$



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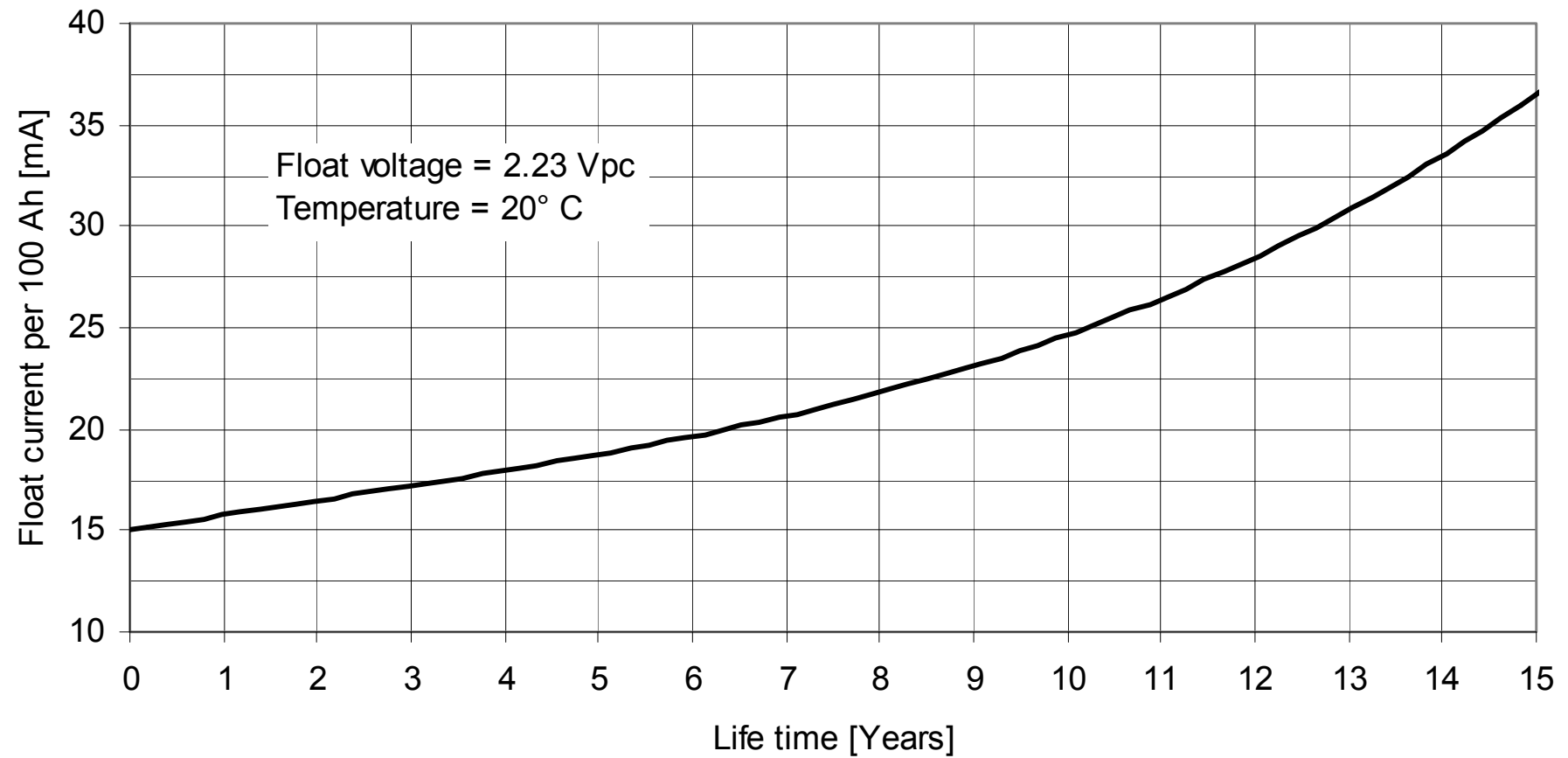
Float current (new cells, type OPzS LA)



# Stationary vented batteries

Float current (cell type OPzS LA)

### Float current versus life time



## Stationary vented batteries

Initial charge, equalizing charge



- › Initial charge:  
E.g. before an acceptance test on site, make sure the battery is fully charged
  
- › Equalizing charge:  
...only necessary
  - › After exhaustive discharges
  - › In case of inadequate charges
  - › If the individual cell/block voltages and/or electrolyte densities are outside the specified range

# Stationary vented batteries

## Equalizing charge



- › ..By the following charge methods:
  - › IU-charging: 2.40 Vpc, max. 72 hours.
  - › I- or W- charging as described before (load disconnected):  
fully charged state if  
**electrolyte density** and **cell voltage** don't  
increase anymore **within 2 hours**
- › Temperature must not exceed 55 °C



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# Stationary vented batteries

## Discharge



- › ...never below the expected final battery voltage assigned for the chosen discharge current
- › Not more than the nominal capacity shall be consumed, unless otherwise specified by GNB Industrial Power

# Stationary vented batteries

Discharge



## Capacity test acc. to IEC 60896-11:

- › The test shall be terminated, if one of the following criteria is fulfilled, which ever comes first:
- › The battery voltage has achieved  $n * U_f$  [Vpc] with  $n$  = number of cells per string and  $U_f$  = final voltage per cell.

Example:

$$U_f = 1.75 \text{ Vpc}, n = 24 \text{ cells}$$

$$\text{battery voltage} = 24 \text{ cells} * 1.75 \text{ Vpc} = 42 \text{ V}$$

## Stationary vented batteries

Discharge (cont'd)



- › The voltage of the weakest cell is fallen to

$$U_{\min} = \text{final voltage } U_f \text{ [Vpc]} - 0.2 \text{ V}$$

- › Example:

Final voltage  $U_f = 1.75 \text{ Vpc}$

→ Weakest cell can have

$$U_{\min} = U_f - 0.2 \text{ V} = 1.55 \text{ V}$$

## Stationary vented batteries

Discharge (cont'd)

- ›  $U_{\min}$  weakest block =  $U_f$  per block -  $0.2 \cdot \sqrt{n}$  [V]  
(n = number of cells per block)

$$0.2 \cdot \sqrt{n} = \begin{array}{c|c} 12 \text{ V block} & 6 \text{ V block} \\ \hline 0.49 \text{ V} & 0.35 \text{ V} \end{array}$$

- › Example for 6 V block:

Final voltage  $U_f = 5.25 \text{ V}$  ( 1.75 Vpc)

→ Weakest block can have

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\min} &= 5.25 \text{ V} - 0.35 \text{ V} \\ &= 4.9 \text{ V} \end{aligned}$$

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# Stationary vented batteries

Influence of temperature - General

- › Nominal temperature is 20 °C and the optimal temperature regarding lifetime and capacity
- › Higher temperatures reduce the lifetime and number of cycles
- › Lower temperatures reduce the available capacity
- › Let's have a look into the details...



## Stationary vented batteries

Influence of temperature - General

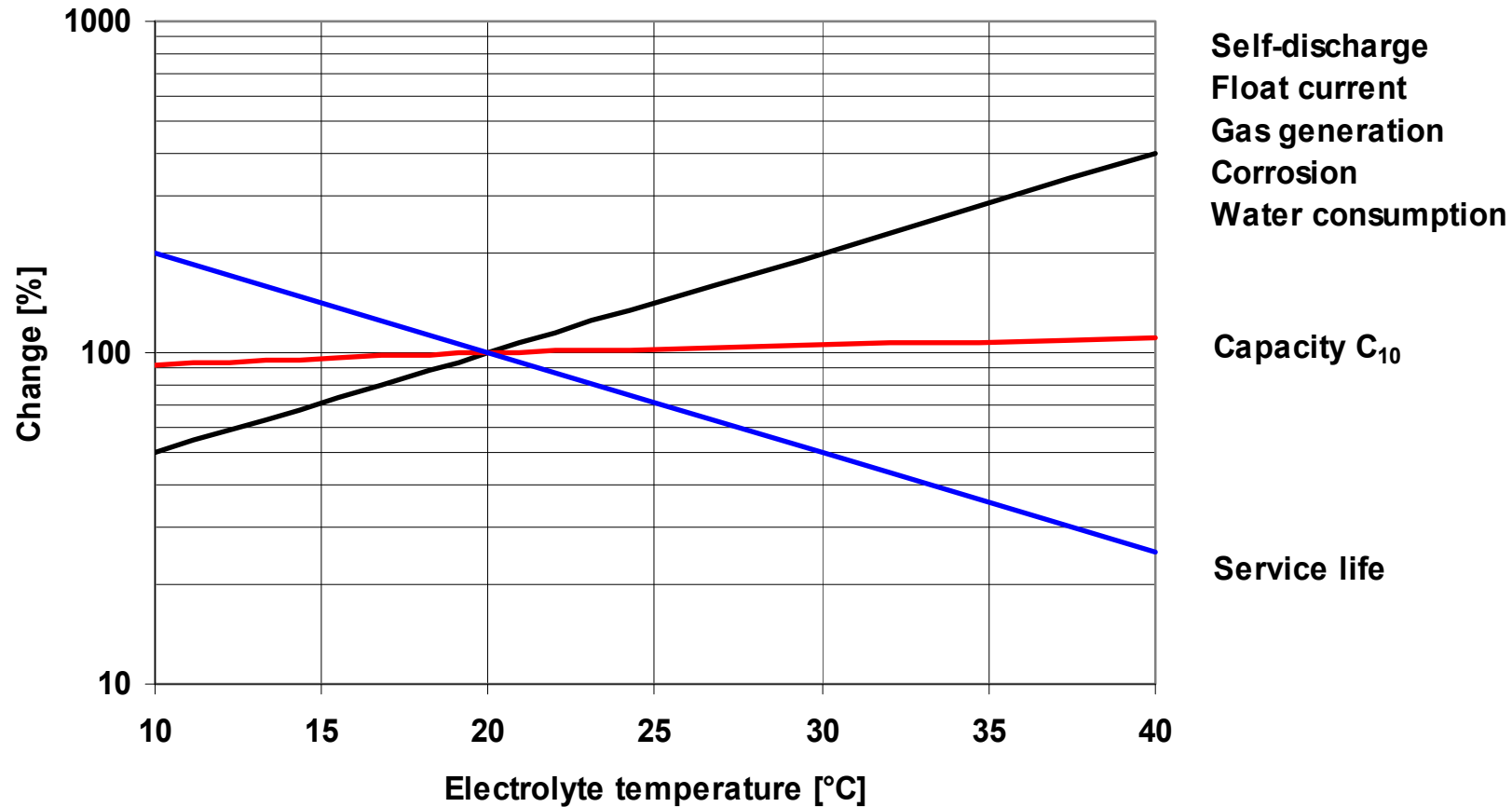
- › According to law of “Arrhenius”:  
Self-discharge, float current, corrosion rate  
double per 10 degrees Celsius
- › Therefore...  
Service life halved per 10 degrees Celsius  
Example:  
15 years at 20 °C become reduced to  
7.5 years at 30 °C





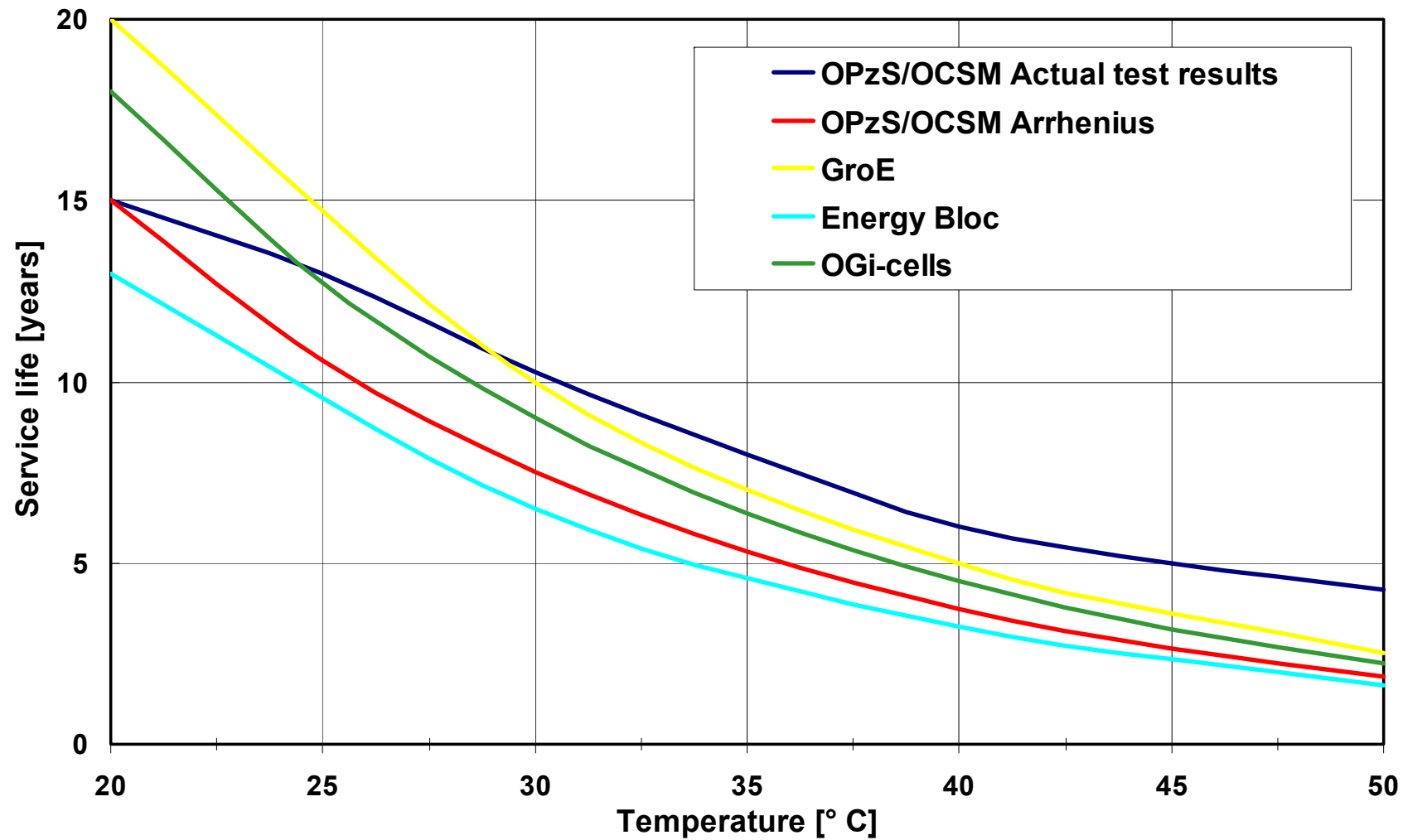
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Influence of temperature - General



# Stationary vented batteries

Service life vs. temperature



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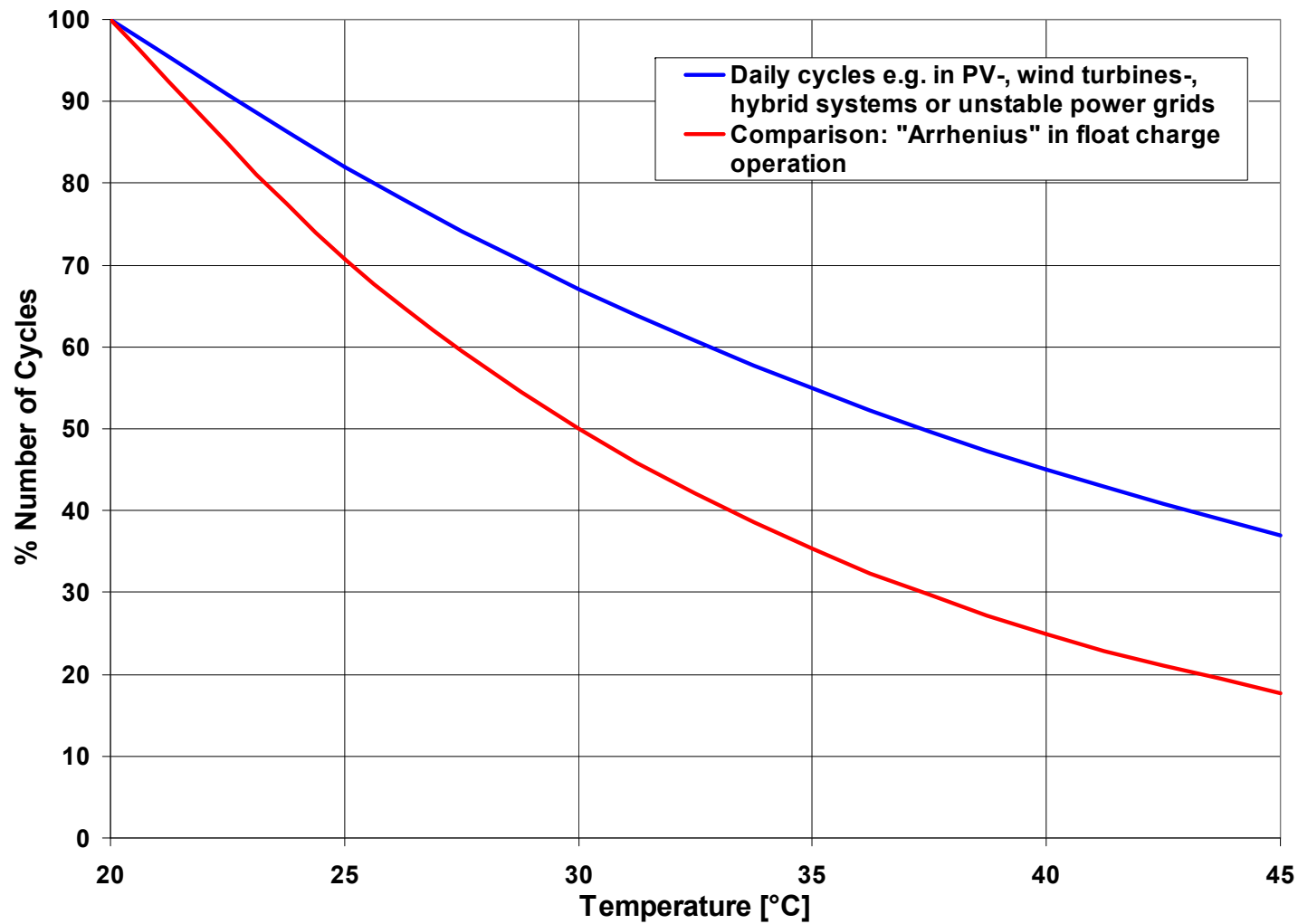
Endurance in cycles vs. temperature



- › Common rough formula (law of “Arrhenius”) doesn’t work anymore.
- › The influence of temperature is not as strong as in float charge operation because negligible corrosion during discharges in comparison to re-charging.

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Endurance in cycles vs. temperature



# Stationary vented batteries

Capacity vs. temperature



## › International standards

› IEEE 485

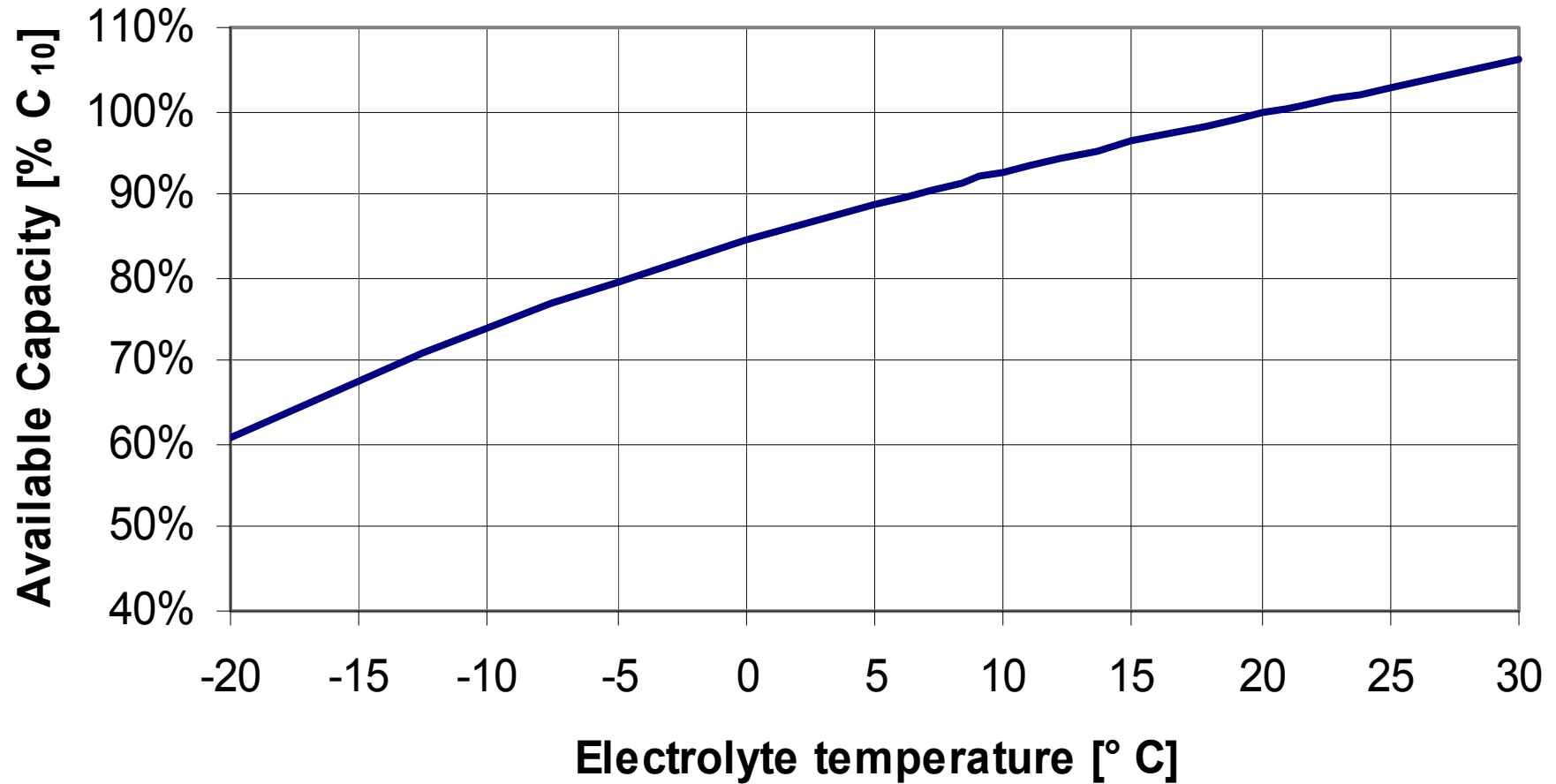
› IEC 60896-11

## › Manufacturers' guidelines/rules

... see following specific diagram

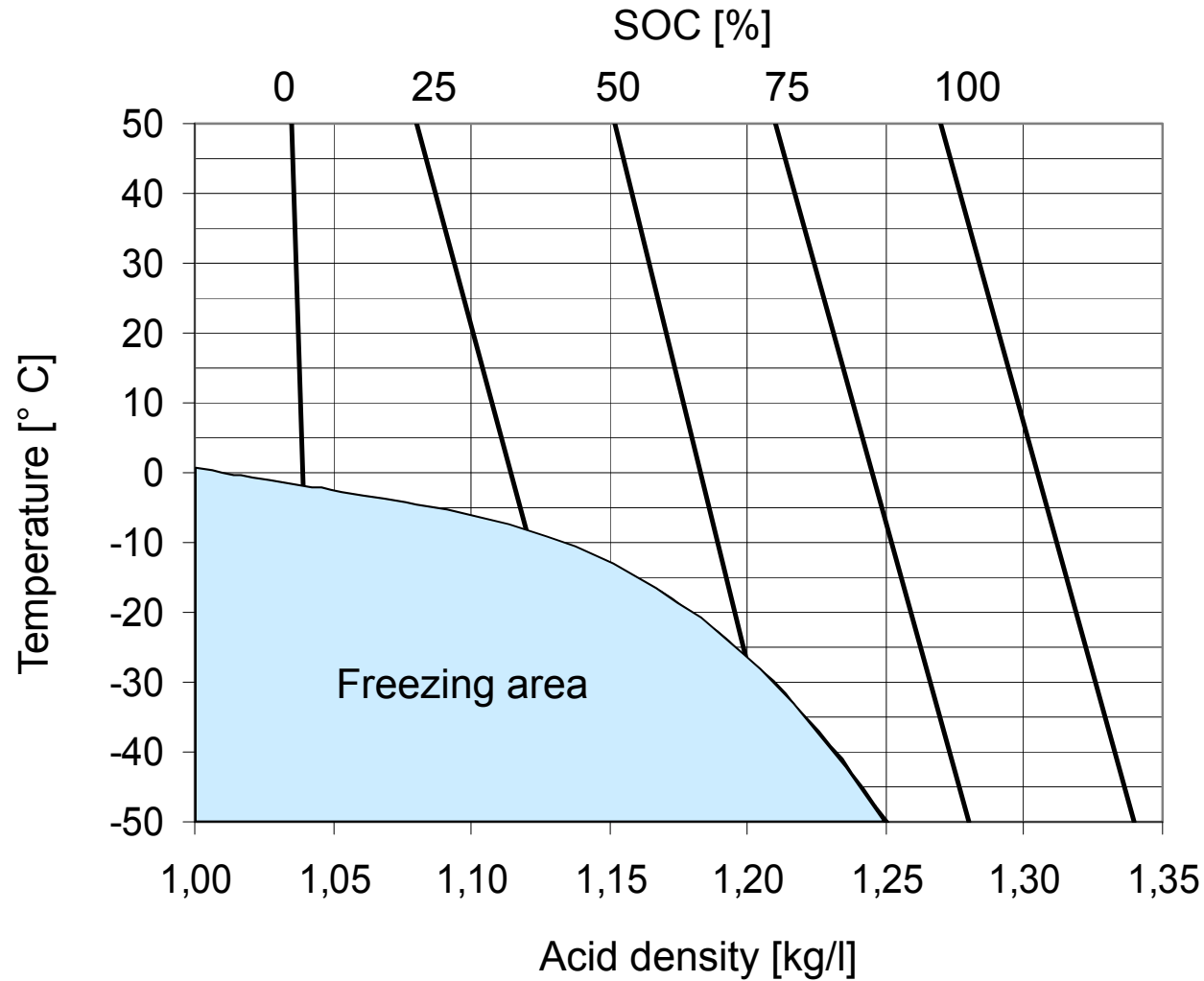
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Capacity vs. temperature



# Stationary vented batteries

Freezing point of sulphuric acid



## Stationary vented batteries

Electrolyte density vs. temperature

- › The electrolyte density is
  - › reduced at higher temperatures, and
  - › increased at lower temperatures.
- › The appropriate coefficient is:
  - 0.0007 kg/l per K

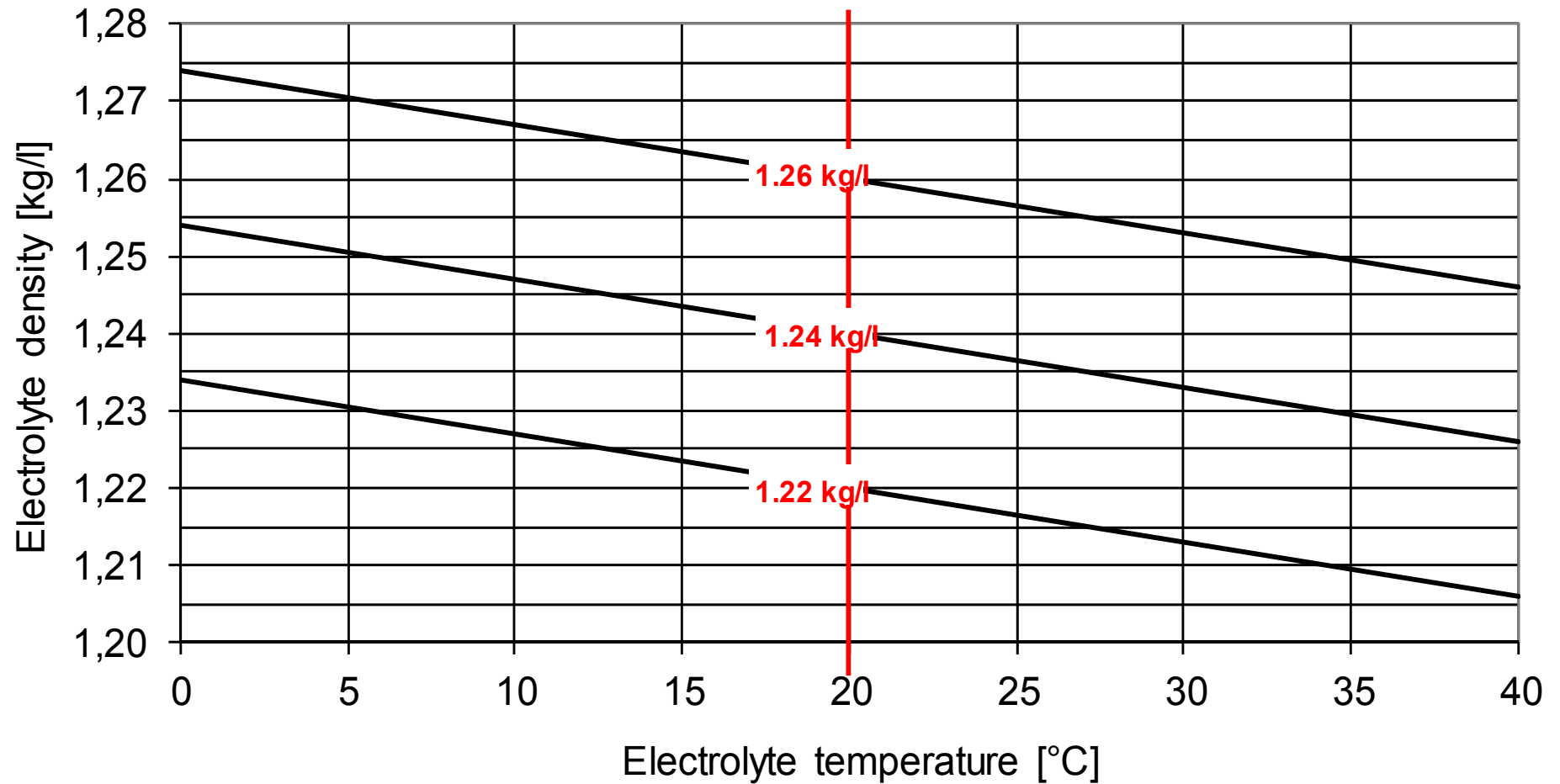
› Examples:

Temperature [°C]	Electrolyte density kg/l]
5	1.25
20*	1.24*
35	1.23



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Electrolyte density vs. temperature



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# Stationary vented batteries

## Ventilation – Why?

- › Lead acid batteries generate hydrogen and oxygen during overcharging

(electrolysis → water decomposition)

- › 1 Ah decomposes 0.336 g water and generates 0.00042 m<sup>3</sup> H<sub>2</sub>

- › Air becomes explosive if hydrogen content ≥ 4 % and when ignited by a spark



- › Dilution by fresh air necessary to bring H<sub>2</sub> to less than 4 %

## Stationary vented batteries

Ventilation acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2

$$\text{› } Q = v \cdot q \cdot s \cdot n \cdot I_{\text{gas}} \cdot C_{\text{rt}} \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ [m}^3\text{/h]}$$

with

›  $Q$  = Quantity fresh air [m<sup>3</sup>/h]

›  $v$  = necessary dilution of H<sub>2</sub> → factor 24 ←  $\frac{(100\% - 4\%)}{4\%} = 24$

›  $q$  =  $0.42 \cdot 10^{-3}$  m<sup>3</sup>/ Ah generated H<sub>2</sub>

›  $s$  = 5, general safety factor

›  $n$  = number of cells

›  $I_{\text{gas}}$  = current producing gas in mA per Ah  
rated capacity for float or boost charge current

›  $C_{\text{rt}}$  = capacity  $C_{10}$  [Ah] to 1.80 Vpc @ 20 °C

## Stationary vented batteries

Ventilation acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2

› Simplified formula:

$$Q = 0.05 \cdot n \cdot I_{\text{gas}} \cdot C_{\text{rt}} \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ [m}^3\text{/h]}$$

›  $I_{\text{gas}}$  = values [mA per Ah] to be used:

	Float	Boost
Vented ( $S_b < 3\%$ )	5	20
VRLA	1	8

(values take into account temperatures up to a max. of 40 °C)

## Stationary vented batteries

Ventilation acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2:



- › The amount of ventilation air flow shall preferably be ensured by natural ventilation, otherwise by forced (artificial) ventilation.
- › Battery rooms or enclosures require an air inlet and an air outlet with a free area of opening calculated by

$$A \geq 28 * Q \text{ [cm}^2\text{]}$$

with

Q = ventilation air flow [m<sup>3</sup>/h]

Note: For the purpose of this calculation the air velocity is assumed to be 0.1 m/s

## Stationary vented batteries

Ventilation acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2:

Close vicinity to the battery



- › „... In the close vicinity of the battery the dilution of explosive gases is not always secured. Therefore a safety distance extending through air must be observed within which sparking or glowing devices (max. surface temperature 300 °C) are prohibited. The dispersion of explosive gas depends on the gas release rate and the ventilation close to the source of release. For calculation of the safety distance  $d$  from the source of release the following formula applies assuming a hemispherical dispersal of gas. ...“

## Stationary vented batteries

Ventilation acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2:

Close vicinity to the battery

“ ...  $d = 28.8 \cdot \sqrt[3]{I_{gas}} \cdot \sqrt[3]{C_{rt}} \text{ mm} \quad 5)$

with:  $I_{gas}$  = current producing gas (mA per Ah)

$C_{rt}$  = rated capacity (Ah)

**NOTE** The required safety distance  $d$  can be achieved by the use of a partition wall between battery and sparking device.

Where batteries form an integral part of a power supply system, e.g. in a UPS system the safety distance  $d$  may be reduced according to the equipment manufacturers safety calculations or measurements. The level of air ventilation rate must ensure that a risk of explosion does not exist by keeping the hydrogen content in air below 1%vol plus a safety margin at the potential ignition source. ...

<sup>5)</sup> Depending on the source of gas release the number of cells per monobloc battery ( $N$ ) or vent openings per cell ( $1/N$ ) involved must be taken into consideration, i.e. by a factor of  $\sqrt[3]{N}$ , respectively  $\sqrt[3]{1/N}$  ...”



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Superimposed AC ripple



- › ... comes rather from the inverter than caused by the rectifier → UPS!
- › ...depends on the “State-of-Art” of the electrical equipment

# Stationary vented batteries

## Superimposed AC ripple



- › ...causes heating-up and shallow cycling
  - › Overcharging and accelerated corrosion of positive grids
  - › And especially in case of VRLA-batteries:
    - › Hydrogen generation (water loss, drying out)
    - › Capacity drop by insufficient charge factor
  
- › Influence depends on amplitude, frequency and waveform

## Stationary vented batteries

Superimposed AC ripple



- › After recharging and during float charge operation the effective value (RMS) of the AC shall be as low as possible but **never exceed 5 A/100 Ah** (acc. to EN 50272-2 respectively IEC 62485-2)
- › Vented batteries:  
No problems with criterion as mentioned above
- › Effects are not fully clarified regarding VRLA batteries...

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# Stationary vented batteries

## Maintenance and control



Classic Range: GroE, OPzS-LA, OCSM-LA, OGi-LA, Energy Bloc  
Operating Instructions  
for stationary lead acid batteries

Nominal data  
 - Nominal voltage  $U_n$ : 2.0 V x number of cells  
 - Nominal capacity  $C_{20} = C_{10}$ : 10 h discharge (see type plate on cells and technical data in these instructions)  
 - Nominal discharge current  $I_{20} = I_{10}$ :  $C_{20} / 10$   
 - Final discharge voltage  $U_f$ : see technical data in these instructions  
 - Nominal temperature  $t_n$ : 20° C

Battery type: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of cells/blocks: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assembly by: \_\_\_\_\_ GNB order no.: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioned by: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Safety signs attached by: \_\_\_\_\_ date: \_\_\_\_\_

- Observe these instructions and keep them located near the battery for future reference!
- Work on the battery should only be carried out by qualified personnel.
- Do not smoke!
- Do not use any naked flame or other sources of ignition. Risk of explosion and fire!
- While working on batteries wear protective goggles and clothing!
- Observe the accident prevention rules as well as EN 50272-2, EN 50110-1!
- Any acid splashes on the skin or in the eyes must be rinsed with plenty of clean water immediately. Then seek medical assistance. Spillages on clothing should be rinsed out with water!
- Explosion and fire hazard, avoid short circuits.
- Avoid electrostatic charges and discharges/sparks!
- Electrolyte is strongly corrosive!
- Blocks/cells are very heavy! Make sure they are installed securely! Only use suitable means of transport!
- Block/cell containers are sensitive to mechanical damage.
- Handle with care!
- Do not lift or pull up blocks/cells on the poles.
- Caution! Dangerous voltage.
- Metal parts of the battery are always alive, therefore do not place items or tools on the battery!

Non-compliance with operating instructions and installations or repairs made with other than original accessories and spare parts or with accessories and spare parts not recommended by the battery manufacturer or repairs made without authorization and use of additives for the electrolytes (billed enhancing agent) render the warranty void.

Spent batteries have to be collected and recycled separately from normal household wastes (EWG 110010). The handling of spent batteries is described in the EU Battery Directive (2006/66/EC) and their national transpositions (UK: HS Regulation 1994 No. 232, Ireland: Statutory Instrument No. 73/2000). Contact your supplier to agree upon the collection and recycling of your spent batteries or contact a local and authorized Waste Management Company.

1. Start Up  
 The commissioning should take place as soon as possible after receipt of the battery. If this is not possible, advise acc. to item 6, shall be taken into account. Check all cells/blocks for mechanical damage, correct polarity and firmly seated connectors. The following torques apply to the cell types:

Grid, OCSM-LA, OPzS-LA cells	Energy Bloc	Og-LA Cells
20 Nm	12 Nm	8 Nm
20 Nm	8 Nm	20 Nm

Note 1: Torque with a tolerance of ± 1 Nm

Put covers on the terminals if necessary. Check the electrolyte level in all cells and if necessary top up to maximum level with purified water as acc. to DIN 45250 Part 4. Connect the battery with the correct polarity to the charger (pos. pole to pos. terminal). The charger must not be switched on during this process, and the load must not be connected. Switch on charger and start charging following item 2.2. The insulation resistance measured at the disconnected loads and charger should be  $\geq 100 \Omega$  per volt nominal voltage.

2. Operation  
 For the installation and operation of stationary batteries EN 50272-2 is mandatory.

The battery must be installed in a way which prevents ambient-temperature differences of > 10 K arising. The spacing between the cells or blocks should be 10 mm and at least 5 mm in rack mounting.

2.1 Discharge  
 Discharge must not be continued below the voltage recommended for the discharge time. Deeper discharges must not be carried out unless specifically agreed with the manufacturer. Recharge immediately following complete or partial discharge.

2.2 Charging  
 All charging characteristics with their specific data, described in DIN 41773 (U-characteristic, I-const. = 2%, U-const. = 1%), DIN 41774 (W-characteristic,  $\pm 0.05$  V/pole), DIN 41776 (I-characteristic, I-const. = 2%) may be used. According to the charging equipment, application and characteristics alternating currents flow through the battery superimposing on the direct current during charge operation. Alternating currents and the reaction of the loads may lead to an additional temperature increase of the battery, and stain the electrodes with possible damage (see point 2.5), which can shorten the battery life, depending on the installation, charging (acc. to EN 50272-2) may be carried out in following operations:

a) Standby Parallel Operation  
 Here the load, battery and battery charger are continuously in parallel. Thereby, the charge voltage is the operation voltage and at the same time the battery installation voltage.

With the standby parallel operation, the battery charger is capable, at any time, of supplying the maximum load current and the battery charging current. The battery only supplies current when the battery charger fails. The float charge voltage measured at the end terminals of the battery should be set at the values in table 2. To reduce the charging time, a boost-charging stage can be applied in which the charge voltage of 2.33 V - 2.40 V x number of cells can be adjusted (standby parallel operation with boost-recharging stage). Automatic changeover to float charging voltage acc. to table 2.

With buffer operation, the battery charger is not able to supply the maximum load current at all times. The load current intermittently exceeds the nominal current of the battery charger. During this period the battery supplies power. This results in the battery not being fully charged at all times. Therefore, depending on the load the charge voltage must be set at 2.25 V - 2.30 V x number of cells. This has to be carried out according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Range	Float charge voltage per cell
GrE, OPzS-LA, Breyer Blok, OG-LA (Black / cell)	2.22 V
OCSM-LA	2.25 V

Table 2: Float charge voltage

b) Switch mode operation  
 When charging, the battery is separated from the load. Towards the end of the charging process the charge voltage of the battery is 2.5 V - 2.75 V times the number of cells. The charging process must be monitored (see points 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6). On reaching a fully charged state, the charging process must be stopped or switched to float charge as in point 2.2.

c) Battery Operation (charge-voltage operation)  
 The load is supplied by the battery only, whereby the charge voltage of the battery towards the end of the charging process can be 2.5 V - 2.75 V times the number of cells. The charging process must be monitored (see points 2.4, 2.5 and 2.6). On reaching a fully charged state, the charging process must be switched off. The battery can be switched to the load as required.

2.3 Maintaining full charge (float charging)  
 The devices used must comply with the stipulations under DIN 41772. They are to be set so that the average cell voltage is see table 2 and the electrolyte density should not decrease over a lengthy period.

2.4 Equalizing charge  
 Because it is possible to exceed the permitted load voltages, appropriate measures must be taken, e.g. switch off the load. Equalizing charges are required after deep discharges and/or inadequate charges. They can be carried out as follows:  
 - at constant voltage of max. 2.4 V up to 72 hours  
 - with I- or W-characteristic as in point 2.6.

The electrolyte temperature must never exceed 55° C. If it does, stop charging or revert to float charge to allow the temperature to drop. The end of the equalizing charge is reached when the electrolyte density and the cell voltage no longer increase over a period of 2 hours. (2 h criterion only applies to I- and W-characteristics).

2.5 Alternating currents  
 When recharging up to 2.4 V per operation modes  $\geq 2$  the value of the alternating current is occasionally permitted to reach 10 A (RMS) per 100 Ah nominal capacity. In a fully charged state during float charge or standby parallel operation the actual value of the alternating current must not exceed 5 A (RMS) per 100 Ah nominal capacity.

2.6 Charging currents  
 The charging currents are not limited during standby parallel operation or buffer operation (U-charge characteristic) with voltages up to 2.4 V (reference values 10 A up to 35 A per 100 Ah nominal capacity). Charging by I- or W-characteristic results in voltages higher than 2.4 V and therefore increased decomposition of water. The charging currents per 100 Ah nominal capacity shown in the following table must not be exceeded.

Charging procedure	Range		Cell voltage
	GrE	OG-LA, OPzS-LA, OCSM-LA, Breyer Blok, (OG-LA Block)	
I-U-characteristic	10 A to 35 A		up to 240 V
I-characteristic	6.5 A	5.0 A	260 V - 275 V
W-characteristic	9.0 A	7.0 A	at 240 V
	4.5 A	3.5 A	at 265 V

Table 3: Permissible charging currents per 100 Ah nominal capacity. \* = recommended value

2.7 Temperature  
 The recommended operating temperature range for lead acid batteries is 10° C to 30° C. All technical data apply to the nominal temperature 20° C.

The ideal operating temperature is 20° C  $\pm$  5 K. Higher temperatures will seriously reduce service life. Lower temperatures reduce the available capacity. The absolute maximum temperature is 55° C.

2.8 Temperature-related charge voltage  
 A temperature related adjustment of the charge voltage within the operating temperature of 10° C to 30° C is not necessary. If the operating temperature is constantly outside this range, the charge voltage has to be adjusted.

The temperature correction factor is -0.004 V/pole per K. Thereby 2.4 V must not be exceeded and the voltage must not come below 2.15 V/pole (OCSM: 2.17 V/pole).

2.9 Electrolyte  
 The electrolyte density is diluted sulphuric acid. The nominal electrolyte density  $\pm 0.01$  kg/l (acc. to technical data) is based on 20° C when fully charged and with the maximum electrolyte level. Higher temperatures reduce electrolyte density, lower temperatures increase electrolyte density. The appropriate correction factor is -0.0007 kg/l per K. Example: electrolyte density of 1.23 kg/l at 25° C corresponds to a density of 1.24 kg/l at 20° C or an electrolyte density of 1.25 kg/l at 5° C corresponds to a density of 1.24 kg/l at 20° C.

3. Battery maintenance and control  
 The electrolyte level must be checked regularly. If it drops to the lower electrolyte level mark, purified water must be added in accordance with DIN 45250 Part 4 (maximum conductivity 30  $\mu$ S/cm). Keep the battery clean and dry to avoid leakage currents. Plastic parts of the battery, especially containers, must be cleaned with pure water without additives.

At least every 6 months measure and record:  
 - Battery voltage  
 - Voltage of some cells/block batteries  
 - Electrolyte temperature of some cells  
 - Battery-room temperature  
 - Electrolyte density of some cells  
 If the cell voltages deviate by more than +0.1 V or -0.5 V (Vp) (Block: see table 4) from the average charge retention voltage (see table 2), and/or if the electrolyte density of the cells of a battery string deviates from the average-value more than -0.014 or 0.02 kg/l (reference values), call customer service.

Tolerance	4V-Block	6V-Block	10V-Block	12V-Block
+	0.14 V	0.17 V	0.22 V	0.24 V
-	0.07 V	0.09 V	0.11 V	0.12 V

Table 4: Permissible deviation from the average charge retention for block batteries

Annual measurement and recording:  
 - Voltage of all cells/block batteries  
 - Electrolyte temperature of all cells  
 - Electrolyte density of all cells

Annual visual check:  
 - Screw connections  
 - Screw connections without locking devices have to be checked for tightness  
 - Battery installation and arrangement  
 - Ventilation

4. Tests  
 Tests have to be carried out according to IEC 60896-11. Special instructions like DIN VDE 0107 and DIN EN 50172 have to be observed.

Capacity test, for instance, acceptance test on site. In order to make sure the battery is fully charged the following U-charge methods must be applied: Option 1: float charge (see table 2),  $\approx$  72 hours. Option 2: 4.0 V/pole,  $\approx$  16 hours (max. 48 hours) followed by float charge (see item 2.2),  $\approx$  8 hours. The current available to the battery must be between 10 A / 100 Ah and 35 A / 100 Ah or the  $C_{10}$  capacity.

5. Faults  
 Call the service agents immediately if faults in the battery or charging unit are found. Recorded data as described in point 3, simplify the troubleshooting and fault clearance. A service contract for example with Exide Technologies facilitates detecting faults in time.

6. Storage and taking out of operation  
 To store or decommission cells/blocks for a longer period of time they should be fully charged and stored in a dry and cold but frost-free room, away from direct sunlight. To avoid damage the following charging methods can be chosen:  
 To prevent damage, choose the following charging methods:  
 1. Refreshing charges every three months as described under point 2.4.  
 At average ambient temperatures of more than the nominal temperature shorter intervals can be necessary.  
 2. Float charging as under point 2.2.

7. Transport  
 Cells/block batteries must be transported in an upright position. Cells/block batteries without any visible damage are not defined as hazardous goods under the regulations for transport of hazardous goods by road (ADR) or by railway (RID). They must be protected against short circuits, slipping, upsetting or damaging. Block batteries may be suitably stacked and secured on pallets (ADR and RID, special provision 598). It is prohibited to stack pallets. No dangerous traces of acid may be found on the exteriors of the packing units. Cells/block batteries whose cases leak or are damaged must be packed and transported as class 9 hazardous goods under UN No. 2794.

In case of air transport, batteries which are part of any equipment must be disconnected at their terminals, and the terminals must be protected against short-circuits. This is in order to avoid the risk of any incidents like fire etc.

9. Technical data  
 The nominal voltage, the number of cells, the nominal capacity ( $C_{10} = C_{20}$ ) and the battery type are described on the type plate. Other capacities ( $C_4$ ) at different discharge currents ( $I_4$ ) with the corresponding discharge times ( $t_4$ ) see table 8.1.1 - 8.1.5.







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- › Avoid electrostatic charges and discharges / sparks!

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- › To avoid leakage currents keep the battery clean and dry. Plastic components, e.g. cell containers must be cleaned with pure water only
- › Acc. to EN 50272-2:  
Minimum insulation resistance between the batteries circuit and other local conductive parts should be  $> 100 \text{ Ohm per Volt}$  (of nominal battery voltage) corresponding to leakage currents  $< 10 \text{ mA}$
- › Tests, e.g. capacity tests, must be carried out according to IEC 60896-11.
- › In addition...

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Maintenance and control: Checks

- › Check electrolyte level regularly and refill with purified water
  
- › Checks at least every six months:
  - › Battery terminal voltage
  - › Individual voltages, electrolyte densities and electrolyte temperatures of a few (approx. 20 %) selected cells (blocks)
  - › Temperature in the battery room
  
- › ... must be measured and **recorded**



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Maintenance and control: Checks

- › Annual checks:
  - › Battery terminal voltage
  - › Individual voltage and electrolyte density of all cells (blocks)
  - › Electrolyte temperature of some cells
  - › Temperature in the battery room
- › ... must be measured and **recorded**
  
- › Visual checks:
  - › Screw- connections,
  - › battery installation,
  - › ventilation



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Maintenance and control: some criteria

- › Permissible deviations of individual cells/block from the average value
  - › Float voltage per cell: + 0.1 Vpc; - 0.05 Vpc
  - › Float voltage per block:

	12 V block	10 V block	6 V block	4 V block
+	0.24 V	0.22 V	0.17 V	0.14 V
-	0.12 V	0.11 V	0.09 V	0.07 V

- › During the assessment the battery voltage must be within the  $\pm 1\%$  tolerance.
- › Electrolyte density:  $\pm 0.01$  kg/l

If outside these limits, call our service-agent

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Maintenance and control: measuring instruments



- › Digital multimeter, accuracy class 0.5 or better.
- › Liquid-in-glass thermometer, 0 to 60 °C. Scale marks not more than 1 K.
- › Digital thermometer. Scale marks not more than 1 K. Absolute accuracy at least 1 K. Touch probe or IR-sensor.
- › Clip-on ammeter, accuracy class 0.5 or better. Up to 500 A. DC/AC measurable separately.
- › Accuracy classes acc. to IEC 60896-11, -21.

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Maintenance and control: protective clothing (ref. EN 50272-2)



In order to avoid personal injury from electrolyte splashes when handling electrolyte and/or vented cells or batteries, protective clothing shall be worn, such as

- › protective glasses (see EN 166) or masks for eyes or face,
- › protective gloves and aprons for skin protection.

In the case of valve-regulated or gastight sealed batteries, at least protective glasses and gloves shall be worn.

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Checks: general advices



- › Measure the temperature first! Important in case of cabinets, - opening can distort the measurement by heat exchange.
- › Strong inserting of the test probes into the measuring openings of the pole screws whilst rubbing slightly. Hereby, oxide layers will be removed from the measuring point, and the voltage will be measured accurately.



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Checks: replacement – of single cells/blocks or completely?

- › Recommendation for new single cells/blocks:
  - › AGM: max. 25%
  - › Gel: max. 33%
  - › Vented: max. 33%
  
- › In case of 4 units per system, e.g.  $4 * 12 \text{ V} = 48 \text{ V}$ :  
Replace 1 block only or all 4.
  
- › > 50% service life: Complete replacement.
  
- › Spare cells/blocks must be fully charged!

# Questions & Answers



# Thank you for your attention

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