On-line Capacity Estimation for Lithium-ion Battery Cells via an Electrochemical Model-based Adaptive Interconnected Observer

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Abstract—Battery aging is a natural process that contributes to capacity and power fade, resulting in a gradual performance degradation over time and usage. State of Charge (SOC) and State of Health (SOH) monitoring of an aging battery poses a challenging task to the Battery Management System (BMS) due to the lack of direct measurements. Estimation algorithms based on an electrochemical model that take into account the impact of aging on physical battery parameters can provide accurate information on lithium concentration and cell capacity over a battery’s usable lifespan. A temperature-dependent electrochemical model, the Enhanced Single Particle Model (ESPM), forms the basis for the synthesis of an adaptive interconnected observer that exploits the relationship between capacity and power fade, due to the lack of direct measurements. Estimation algorithms for the adaptive observer are derived using Lyapunov’s theory. Validation results against experimental data show a bounded computation error within 2\% of its true value. Further, effectiveness of capacity estimation is tested for two cells at different stages of aging. Robustness of capacity estimates under measurement noise and sensor bias are studied.

Index Terms—Lithium-ion battery, enhanced single particle model, capacity estimation, adaptive observer, Lyapunov stability.

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Subscript \( j \) refers to anode, separator, or cathode. Subscript \( ol \) refers to open loop.

I. INTRODUCTION

AGING contributes to the diminishing performance in batteries, resulting in reliability and safety issues. It manifests in the form of energy and power fade, characterized by loss in cell capacity and increased internal impedance, respectively. With respect to automotive applications, energy and power fade of a lithium-ion battery relates to a reduced driving range and limited acceleration performance at the vehicle level. The outcome of the work presented in this paper contributes towards accurate electrochemical model-based estimation of lithium concentration and cell capacity that holds the potential to enable the practical realization of advanced battery health-based control algorithms in the future.

Background and Related Work. There are various complex chemical and physical aging mechanisms affecting the anode and cathode in a battery [1]. It is neither feasible to mathematically model the underlying dynamics of every aging mechanism, or their respective nonlinear interaction, with current technology and understanding, nor is it computationally viable to implement them in a control-oriented
fashion. Most of the literature focuses on the Solid Electrolyte Interphase (SEI) layer growth, and considers it to be the dominant aging mechanism in lithium-ion batteries [2], [3]. The SEI layer is a thin film formed around the active material in the negative electrode due to electrolyte decomposition that consumes cyclable lithium ions. With usage, the SEI layer grows gradually, not only causing capacity fade, but also resulting in power fade due to increasing thickness of the layer, and the adverse effects of modified porosity on the effective transport properties in the electrolyte phase [3].

Model-based estimation of battery SOC and SOH is a well researched topic. Since aging affects the physical battery parameters, it is important to be aware that utilizing a fixed parameter model for estimation purposes will yield estimates that will slowly diverge over time and usage. One way to counter this is to use dynamic aging models to keep track of the battery SOH. Physics-based aging models are not a viable option for real-time implementation due to the complexity that results from the lack of comprehensive knowledge of the various electrochemical aging mechanisms and their slow time-scale behavior. On the other hand, semi-empirical aging models in combination with a battery Equivalent Circuit Model offers lower complexity at the cost of accuracy. However, such models also require extensive data for calibration and the accuracy of the model is not guaranteed as battery ages, unless the order of the model is increased significantly [4].

This has been the motivation to develop adaptive observers that update the parameters dynamically with aging. Adaptive observers based on equivalent circuit models [5], [6] operate by adapting the circuit parameters (resistors, capacitors) as aging progresses. On the other hand, an electrochemical model, such as the Single Particle Model (SPM), captures the concentration states and its parameters represent actual physical properties. The SPM is a reduced-order electrochemical model that approximates each electrode by a spherical particle and neglects lithium concentration and migration dynamics in electrolyte phase, making it suitable for control-oriented applications. Electrochemical model-based adaptive estimation has provided promising results [7], and [8]. In these algorithms, the lithium concentration states are estimated along with aging-sensitive parameters such as cyclable lithium ions, diffusion coefficient, and internal resistance. However, there has been no attempt at relating the results of the parameter estimates to the actual cell capacity. This is because the estimation algorithms do not incorporate the aging mechanisms into the modeling framework or relate the aging mechanisms to the changes observed in aging-sensitive parameters. Further, these adaptive estimation algorithms validate their functionality over a fresh cell and do not present any results against experimental datasets for an aged cell. In summary, the main contributions of this paper are:

1. Semi-empirical aging models require large experimental datasets and are limited to the operating conditions they have been characterized for;
2. Model-based adaptive estimation algorithms, both equivalent circuit and electrochemical model-based, do not relate the estimated aging-sensitive parameters to the exact cell capacity or state of health. Clearly, there is a need for a framework that unites the strengths of adaptive estimation

Contributions and Paper Outline. The main contribution of this paper lies in exploiting the physico-chemical effects of the SEI layer growth on capacity and power fade, and combining it with the adaptive estimation theory in order to estimate the total cell capacity, lithium concentration, and aging-sensitive parameters in real time. An aging-dependent voltage loss term that reflects the SEI layer-induced degradation is incorporated to enable the model to be used as the cell ages. Further, a practically stable adaptive observer is implemented in a novel interconnected sliding mode observer structure in the presence of bounded modeling uncertainties, and validated against experimental data. Taking the practical limitations into considerations, such as inherent bounded uncertainties in the model, observability issues, and moderate sensitivities of the parameters to measured output variables, the trajectories of state and parameter estimates may not converge asymptotically to the true values. Hence, the notion of practical stability is explored for the proposed adaptive observer. The remainder of this article is organized as follows: Section II details the notations and definitions used in the paper. Section III describes the ESPM and derives the coupling between capacity and power fade due to SEI layer growth. The state space representation of the ESPM (with aging induced effects) is formulated. The relationship between capacity and power fade motivates the design of an SPM-based adaptive interconnected sliding mode observer for the estimation of i) lithium concentration in electrodes, ii) aging-sensitive parameters, and iii) cell capacity in Section IV. The practical stability of the estimation error dynamics is rigorously proved using Lyapunov’s theory. Section V validates the proposed SPM-based adaptive observer against experimentally measured data, and Section VI summarizes the conclusions.

II. Preliminaries

The following notations and symbols are used in the paper:

- $||\cdot||$ is the Euclidean norm;
- $\mathbb{R}_+ = \{ z \in \mathbb{R} : z > 0 \}; \mathbb{R}_- = \{ z \in \mathbb{R} : z < 0 \};$
- Matrix $C \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ is the output distribution vector defined as $C = [0 \ 0 \ldots 1];$
- $\mathbb{B}_{||\epsilon||}$ is the ball of radius $||\epsilon||$ centered at the origin.
- $I_n$ is the identity matrix of order $n$.
- Subscript $j$ denotes the domain in the lithium-ion battery.

In the solid phase, it denotes the negative and positive electrode, $j \in [n, p]$. Whereas, in the electrolyte phase, it represents the negative electrode, separator, and positive electrode, $j \in [n, s, p]$.

Definition 1: [9] A function $w : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is persistently exciting if there exist $T, \delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$ such that

$$\delta_1 I_n \leq \int_{t}^{t+T} w(\tau)w^T(\tau)d\tau \leq \delta_2 I_n$$
holds for all \( t \geq 0 \).

**Definition 2:** A function \( f(z, t) : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \) is said to be globally Lipschitz in \( z \) and uniformly in \( t \) if, for some constant \( L \in \mathbb{R}_+ \), \( ||f(z + \delta z, t) - f(z, t)|| \leq L||\delta z|| \) holds true.

**Definition 3:** [10] A dynamic system \( \dot{z} = f(t, z) \) with initial condition \( z(t_0) = z_0 \) is practically stable if \( \exists \ a, b \) with \( 0 < a < b \) such that \( ||z_0|| < a \) and \( ||z(t)|| < b \), where \( t \geq t_0 \) for some \( t_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+ \).

**Definition 4:** An input \( u(t) \) is bounded if \( \exists \ m \in \mathbb{R}_+ \) that satisfies \( ||u(t)|| \leq m, \forall t \geq 0 \).

**Definition 5:** The uncertainty in model states \( \Delta_x(t) \), and the output \( \Delta_y(t) \) is bounded, if \( \exists \ \delta m, \delta n \in \mathbb{R}_+ \) that satisfies \( sup_{t \geq 0} ||\Delta_x(t)|| \leq \delta m \) and \( sup_{t \geq 0} ||\Delta_y(t)|| \leq \delta n \).

**Property 1:** \( \forall \ a, b \in \mathbb{R} \) if \( \text{sgn}(a) = -\text{sgn}(b) \) always holds true, then \( \text{sgn}(a - b) = \text{sgn}(a) = -\text{sgn}(b) \).

**Property 2:** \( \forall \ a \in \mathbb{R}, a = \text{sgn}(a)\big|a\big| \).

### III. Electrochemical Battery Model: ESPM Governing Equations

In this work, a temperature-dependent ESPM, published in the literature [11], has been used to simulate the transport of lithium ions in the solid and electrolyte phase, and predict the battery voltage response. The ESPM governing equations describing the mass and charge transport, with a radial domain of \( r \in [0, R_j] \) and Cartesian domain of \( l \in [0, L] \) (where \( L = L_n + L_s + L_p \), are spelled out in Table I.

The terminal voltage predicted by the ESPM battery model is the potential difference between cathode and anode, given by

\[
V(t) = \left[ U_p \left(c_{x,p,surf}, T \right) \mathcal{\eta}_p \left(c_{x,p,surf}, T, I_{batt} \right) - \frac{2R_T \left(1 - t_0^2 \right) }{F} \ln \frac{c_{e}(L)}{c_{e}(0)} - I_{batt} \left(t\right) R_{e,0} - I_{batt} \left(t\right) R_t \right] \label{eq:1}
\]

where \( R_{e,0} \) is the electrolyte resistance expressed as [13]

\[
R_{e,0} = \frac{1}{2A} \left( \frac{L_n}{\kappa_s^{eff} \left(c_{e}, T \right)} + \frac{2L_s}{\kappa_s^{eff} \left(c_{e}, T \right)} + \frac{L_p}{\kappa_p^{eff} \left(c_{e}, T \right)} \right) , \label{eq:2}
\]

where the effective transport parameters in the electrolyte phase take tortuosity into account through a Bruggeman’s relationship, to give \( \kappa_s^{eff} \left(c_{e}, T \right) = \kappa(c_{e}, T) c_{e}^{1.5} \). Similar relationship holds true for the effective diffusion in electrolyte phase, appearing in Table I as \( D_s^{eff} \left(c_{e}, T \right) = D_s(c_{e}, T) c_{e}^{1.5} \).

Further, the Open Circuit Potential (OCP) of each electrode, shown in Fig. 1 [11], is a function of the stoichiometry ratio, \( \theta_j \), of the respective electrode, which is related to the surface concentration as \( \theta_j = c_{x,j,surf} / c_{x,j,max} \), and the electro-active surface area of each electrode is defined as \( a_{x,j} = 3x_{y} / R_j \).

Moreover, the dependence of the model parameters on temperature, \( T \), is collated in Table II.
A. SEI Layer: Capacity and Power Fade Relationship

The electrochemical instability of the electrolyte at lower potentials, typically observed at the anode, results in electrolyte decomposition forming a passive film layer on the anode, known as the SEI layer [1]. The SEI layer continues to grow, with time and usage, resulting in capacity fade and power fade of the battery. The SEI layer dynamics depends on the side reaction current density, and is described as [12]

$$\frac{dL_{sei}}{dt} = \frac{i_\text{a} a_{s,n} AL_n}{2F \rho_{sei}}$$

with initial value of $L_{sei}(0) = L_{sei,0}$ as the nominal SEI layer thickness at the Beginning of Life (BOL) of the cell after few cycles.

**Capacity fade:** Capacity fade is defined as the decrease in the discharge capacity of the battery over time. In this work, any decrease in capacity is due to the loss of cyclable lithium ions consumed by the SEI layer. This allows to relate the capacity loss of the battery to the side reaction current density, and also, from (3), relates capacity loss to the rate of SEI layer growth as [3]

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{i_\text{a} a_{s,n} AL_n}{3600}$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{dL_{sei}}{2F \rho_{sei} a_{s,n} AL_n}$$

with initial value of $Q(0) = Q_0$, expressed in Ah, as the nominal cell capacity at the BOL.

**Power fade:** Power fade is defined as an increase in internal resistance of the battery that results in a decrease in the power that can be delivered to the load. Under the assumption that SEI layer growth is the dominant aging mechanism, power fade of the battery. The SEI layer dynamics depends to grow, with time and usage, resulting in capacity fade and power fade resistance, $R_{pf}$, at any time $t$ to capacity $Q(t)$, as shown in (13). The novelty of deriving $R_{pf}$ this way is in establishing a tangible dependence between power fade resistance, $R_{pf}$, and capacity fade, $Q - Q_0$. The main characteristics of this derived relationship are (i) to supplement the conventional ESPM by including an aging-dependent term to reflect the SEI induced degradation in the form of voltage loss (the term in red box, below) in the cell terminal voltage equation as given below

$$V = [U_p(c_{s,p,surf},T) + \eta_p(c_{s,p,surf},T, I_{batt})] - [U_n(c_{s,n,surf},T) + \eta_n(c_{s,n,surf},T, I_{batt})] + \frac{2R_0 T (1 - \nu(T))}{\ln \frac{c_e(L)}{c_e(0)}} - \frac{I_{batt}(t)}{R_{c,0}} - \frac{I_{batt}(t) R_{pf}(t)}{F}$$

and (ii) to formulate the ESPM voltage equation, as in (14), in a fashion that lends itself for the estimation of available cell capacity ($Q$) by being able to monitor the voltage loss or the parameter representing the power fade resistance ($R_{pf}$).

B. State Space Representation

The Partial Differential Equations (PDEs) describing the mass transport in solid and electrolyte phase, given in Table I, are spatially discretized using the Finite Difference Method (FDM) to obtain a system of coupled Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs) that can be cast into a state space formulation. Moreover, the slowly varying battery capacity $Q(t)$, over its entire lifetime, is considered as a dynamic state and augmented to the state vector in order to formulate a state estimation problem. Since the capacity is a slowly varying variable, the dynamics of cell capacity in real-time is approximated as $\dot{Q} = 0$. The system of ODEs and the aging-enhanced nonlinear terminal voltage equation in (14) are formulated into a general state space form. Let $x = [x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{(2N+M-1) \times 1}$ be the state vector, $u = I_{batt}$ be the input current, and $y = V$ be the output voltage of the model. The state variables represent lithium concentration in cathode, anode, cell capacity, and lithium concentration in electrolyte, $x_1 = [c_{s,p,1}, c_{s,p,2}, \ldots, c_{s,p,N}]^T$, $x_2 = [c_{s,n,1}, c_{s,n,2}, \ldots, c_{s,n,N}]^T$, $x_3 = Q$, $x_4 = [c_{e,1}, c_{e,2}, \ldots, c_{e,M-2}]^T$. Moreover, the surface
concentration in both electrodes is given as \( c_{s,j,surf} = C c_{s,j} \), respectively, where \( C \) is the output distribution vector. Then the state space formulation of ESPM is given by

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_1(t) &= A_{11}(T)x_1(t) + B_1 u(t) \\
\dot{x}_2(t) &= \theta_1(T)\bar{A}_{22}x_2(t) + B_2 u(t) \\
\dot{x}_3(t) &= 0 \\
\dot{x}_4(t) &= f_e(x_4, T, u) \\
y(t) &= h_1(x_{1,N}, T, u) - h_2(x_{2,N}, T, u) - h_3(x_3)u + h_4(x_4, T, u) - R_1 u + (x_3 - Q_0) \theta_2 u,
\end{align*}
\]

where nonlinearities in the terminal voltage equation, and parameters are

\[
\begin{align*}
h_1(x_{1,N}, T, u) &= [U_p(c_{s,p,surf}, T) + \eta_p(c_{s,p,surf}, T, I_{batt})], \\
h_2(x_{2,N}, T, u) &= [U_n(c_{s,n,surf}, T) + \eta_n(c_{s,n,surf}, T, I_{batt})], \\
h_3(x_3) &= R_c(t), \\
h_4(x_4, u) &= \frac{2R_y T (1 - t_i^+) \nu(T)}{F} \ln \frac{c_e(L)}{c_e(0)}, \\
\theta_1(T) &= D_{s,n}(T), \\
\theta_2 &= \frac{3600 M_{sei}}{2FA^2\rho_{sei}a_{s,n}^2L_n^3\kappa_{sei}}.
\end{align*}
\]

and square matrices \( A_{11}(T), \bar{A}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N} \) are the coefficients of the concentration states in (15), and column vectors \( B_1, B_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1} \) are coefficients of input current in (15), described as given below

\[
A_{11}(T) = \frac{D_{s,p}(T)}{\Delta_T^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & -2 & 3/2 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}
\]

\[
B_1 = \frac{-2}{\Delta_r F a_{s,p} A L_p} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ N+1 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}
\]

\[
\bar{A}_{22} = \frac{1}{\Delta_T^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & -2 & 3/2 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}
\]

\[
B_2 = \frac{2}{\Delta_f F a_{s,n} A L_n} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ N+1 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}
\]

The procedure used to identify the ESPM parameters, and validate it against experimental data is outlined in Appendix.

IV. ADAPTIVE INTERCONNECTED OBSERVER

Accurate knowledge of battery SOC/SOH using the state space model described in (15) is attainable by estimating the following state variables: 1) lithium concentration in cathode, 2) lithium concentration in anode, and 3) total cell capacity. However, it is important to note that accurate model-based state estimation over the entire lifespan of a battery is contingent on how well the model predicts the battery response as it ages. Naturally, when model parameters vary with usage and time, state estimates of capacity and lithium concentration will diverge from their respective true values. Studies have shown that transport parameters such as diffusion and conductivity change with aging [12]. This motivates the need for an adaptive scheme that updates the time-varying aging-sensitive parameters in real-time to ensure that model-based estimation of capacity and lithium concentration remains accurate over time. For this purpose, an adaptive observer capable of combined estimation of states and parameters is considered. A sliding
mode interconnected observer structure [15] is preferred for the implementation of the adaptive observer, primarily because it allows for the concurrent estimation of concentration in both electrodes, and by extension, estimation of electrode-
specific geometrical and transport parameters, despite any inaccurate initialization in either electrode. The observability
issues associated with estimating states from both electrodes are circumvented by having an observer for each electrode
with an open loop model of the other electrode that is constantly updated with the correct estimates. More importantly,
the sliding mode structure features robustness to modeling uncertainties and easier real-time on-board implementation.
In this work, the SEI layer growth is considered to be the major
degradation mechanism, and hence anode diffusion coefficient
\(D_{s,n}\) and SEI layer ionic conductivity \(\kappa_{sei}\) are chosen
as the parameters of interest that are assumed to change
instantly updated with the correct estimates. More importantly,
with an open loop model of the other electrode that is con-
stantly updated with the correct estimates. More importantly,
other, at every step, through a bidirectional interconnection,
state variables and parameters from one observer are fed to the
remaining known parameters gives an approximated SPM that is a reduced-order model suitable for observer design. This also allows comparison of the SPM-based observer estimates with the higher order ESPM. Finally,
the combined uncertain state space representation of the SPM
is given as

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix}
A_{11}(T) & 0_{N \times N} & 0_{N \times 1} \\
0_{N \times N} & \theta_1(T)A_{22} & 0_{N \times 1} \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{bmatrix}
x_1 \\
\dot{x}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix}
B_1 \\
B_2 \\
0
\end{bmatrix} u + \\
\dot{x}_3 &= \begin{bmatrix}
I_N \\
0_{N \times N} \\
0_{N \times N} \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta x_1 \\
\Delta x_2 \\
0
\end{bmatrix}
\end{align*}
\]

where \(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}\), and \(\Delta y \in \mathbb{R}\) are the mod-
eling uncertainties introduced in the states and output due to
neglecting the concentration dynamics in the electrolyte phase.
Henceforth, the dependence on cell temperature \(T\) is dropped only in the notations, for the ease of presentation.
The cell temperature information is assumed to be known
via temperature sensors, and the model states and output are
updated accordingly based on the temperature value.

**Theorem 1:** For the dynamical state space representation of
SPM with known and bounded uncertainties in states (\(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2\)) and output (\(\Delta y\)), given in (17), if

1) there exists functions \(h_1(x_{1,N}, u, T)\), \(h_2(x_{2,N}, u, T) - R_i u - h_3(x_3) u + (x_3 - Q_0) \theta_2 u + \Delta y\),

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**Remark 1:** For observer design, the ESPM is simplified by
assuming uniform concentration in the electrolyte phase.
The concentration state in the electrolyte phase \(x_4\) is considered
to have a constant value of 1200 \text{ mol/m}^3 [11], hence \(\dot{x}_4 = 0\).
Effectively, the \(M - 2\) ODEs representing the electrolyte phase
are eliminated and the term \(\frac{2R_{li}(1 - t_i^0)}{F} \nu(T) \ln \frac{c_e(L)}{c_e(0)}\)
in the output voltage equation is taken to be zero. This gives

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix}
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\end{bmatrix}
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\Delta x_1 \\
\Delta x_2 \\
0
\end{bmatrix}
\end{align*}
\]
4) the output uncertainty $\Delta_y$ is related to the error in capacity estimate, through $\psi \in \mathbb{R}$, as follows

$$\Delta_y = \psi e_3 u,$$  \hfill (19)

5) and the parameters are adapted, with tuning parameters $k_1, k_2$, according to

$$\begin{cases} 
\dot{\theta}_1 = C\dot{A}_{22}\hat{x}_2 \operatorname{sgn}(e_{y_2}) \vert h_2 \vert \\
\dot{\theta}_2 = CG_1 (x_3 - Q_0) u \operatorname{sgn}(e_{y_1}) \vert h_1 - \bar{h}_2 \vert 
\end{cases}$$  \hfill (20)

then the adaptive interconnected observer, consisting of a cathode observer formulated as

$$\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_1 &= A_{11}\dot{x}_1 + B_1 u + G_1 (y - \hat{y}_1) + G_{e1} \operatorname{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_1) \\
\dot{x}_{2, ol} &= \theta_1 A_{22} \dot{x}_2 + B_2 u \\
\dot{x}_3 &= G_3 (y - \hat{y}_1) u \\
\hat{y}_1 &= h_1 (x_1, u) - h_2 (\hat{x}_2, u) - R_1 u - h_3 (\hat{x}_3) u + (\hat{x}_3 - Q_0) \bar{h}_2 u,
\end{align*}$$  \hfill (21)

and an anode observer formulated as

$$\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_1, ol &= A_{11}\dot{x}_1 + B_1 u \\
\dot{x}_2 &= \theta_1 A_{22} \dot{x}_2 + B_2 u + G_2 (y - \hat{y}_2) + G_{e2} \operatorname{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_2) \\
\dot{y}_2 &= h_1 (x_1, u) - h_2 (\hat{x}_2, u) - R_1 u - h_3 (\hat{x}_3) u + (\hat{x}_3 - Q_0) \bar{h}_2 u,
\end{align*}$$  \hfill (22)

is practically stable, i.e. the state and parameter estimates converge to a bounded error ball as $t \to \infty$.

Remark 2: In (21) and (22), the subscript $ol$ stands for open loop model state variables, $G_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$, $G_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$, $G_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ are constant linear observer gains, $G_{e1}$, $G_{e2} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$ are variable structure gains, introduced to improve robustness against uncertainties, with discontinuous injection terms defined as

$$\operatorname{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_i) = \begin{cases} 
1, & \text{if } y - \hat{y}_i > 0 \\
0, & \text{if } y - \hat{y}_i = 0 \ i = 1, 2. \\
-1, & \text{if } y - \hat{y}_i < 0
\end{cases}$$

Remark 3: The error in the surface concentration of cathode ($e_{1,N}$) is related to the entire error vector of cathode concentration via the output distribution vector as

$$e_{1,N} = Ce_1,$$  \hfill (23)

The same holds true for anode: $e_{2,N} = Ce_2$.

Remark 4: During battery operation, it is important to understand that the lithium cycling between the two electrodes results in the concentration in one electrode to increase, while the concentration in the other electrode decreases. This understanding is exploited in the observer formulation and initialization. Consider the stoichiometric window of anode to be $\theta_{n,100\%}$ and $\theta_{n,0\%}$ corresponding to fully charged (100% SOC) and fully discharged (0% SOC) cell, and likewise, the cathode stoichiometric window as $\theta_{p,100\%}$ and $\theta_{p,0\%}$ corresponding to fully charged and fully discharged cell. If we discharge the cell from a fully charged status, the stoichiometry of anode will start from $\theta_{n,100\%}$ and move towards $\theta_{n,0\%}$, where $\theta_{n,100\%} > \theta_{n,0\%}$. On the other hand, the stoichiometry of cathode will start from $\theta_{p,100\%}$ and move towards $\theta_{p,0\%}$, where $\theta_{p,100\%} < \theta_{p,0\%}$. This is because the concentration in anode will deplete as the concentration in cathode increases. For instance if the true SOC is 100% and the cell is initialized with an error of 10% (i.e. SOC = 90%; note that SOC = 110% is not a feasible initialization because it is not physically possible), then this error is introduced into the concentration state variables of the observer in terms of initial stochiometric values of anode and cathode as $\theta_{n,initial}$ and $\theta_{p,initial}$, respectively. From the above understanding, we are aware that these initial values will always have to lie within the stoichiometric windows of the respective electrode for feasibility. This leads to

$$\begin{cases} 
\theta_{n,100\%} > \theta_{n,initial} > \theta_{n,0\%} \\
\theta_{p,100\%} < \theta_{p,initial} < \theta_{p,0\%}
\end{cases}$$  \hfill (24)

Physically, there cannot be a value of $\theta_{p,initial} > \theta_{p,100\%}$ that can satisfy or correspond to SOC = 90%. Hence, we can write that the sign of the error at the anode stoichiometry is opposite to that of the sign of the error at the cathode stoichiometry, given as

$$\operatorname{sgn}(\theta_{n,100\%} - \theta_{n,initial}) = -\operatorname{sgn}(\theta_{p,100\%} - \theta_{p,initial}).$$  \hfill (25)

This relation holds true for the surface stoichiometry or the surface concentration of the respective electrodes, which gives

$$\operatorname{sgn}(x_{1,N} - \hat{x}_{1,N}) = -\operatorname{sgn}(x_{2,N} - \hat{x}_{2,N}).$$  \hfill (26)

Remark 5: Functions $h_1 (x_{1,N}, u)$, $h_2 (x_{2,N}, u)$ as shown in Fig. 1, and $h_3 (x_3)$ as shown in Fig. 3, are Lipschitz in $x_{1,N}, x_{2,N}$, and $x_3$, respectively. Moreover, the functions are strictly monotonically decreasing functions, and their gradients are bounded as follows

$$\begin{align*}
-\gamma_{p,1} &\leq \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x_{1,N}} \leq -\gamma_{p,2} \\
-\gamma_{n,1} &\leq \frac{\partial h_2}{\partial x_{2,N}} \leq -\gamma_{n,2} \\
-\alpha Q_1 &\leq \frac{\partial h_3}{\partial x_3} \leq -\alpha Q_2
\end{align*}$$  \hfill (27)

where $\gamma_{p,1}, \gamma_{p,2}, \gamma_{n,1}, \gamma_{n,2}, \alpha Q_1, \alpha Q_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$.  

Lemma 1: The inequalities

$$\begin{align*}
-e_{1}^T G_1 \hat{h}_1 &\leq e_{1}^T G_1 \gamma_{p,2} C e_1 \\
e_{2}^T G_2 \hat{h}_2 &\leq e_{2}^T G_2 \gamma_{n,2} C e_2,
\end{align*}$$  \hfill (28)

hold true regardless of the sign of the errors $e_1$, $e_2$.

Rewriting the first expression from Remark 5 in (27) as

$$-\gamma_{p,1} e_{1,N} \leq h_1 (x_{1,N}) - h_1 (\hat{x}_{1,N}) \leq -\gamma_{p,2} e_{1,N}$$  \hfill (29)

Using Remark 3, and considering the scenario where $e_1 < 0$, which implicitly means $e_{1,N} < 0$, and multiplying by $e_{1,N}$ on both sides of (29), causes the inequalities to change giving

$$\begin{align*}
-\gamma_{p,1} e_{1,N} \geq h_1 (x_{1,N}) - h_1 (\hat{x}_{1,N}) \geq -\gamma_{p,2} e_{1,N} \\
-\gamma_{p,1} C e_1 \geq \hat{h}_1 \geq -\gamma_{p,2} C e_1.
\end{align*}$$  \hfill (30)
Further, the output error of the cathode and anode observer is defined as
\[ e_{y_1} = y - \hat{y}_1 = [h_1(x_{1,N}, u) - h_1(\hat{x}_{1,N}, u)] - [h_2(x_{2,N}, u) - h_2(\hat{x}_{2,N}, u)] - [h_3(x_3) - h_3(\hat{x}_3)] + [(x_3 - Q_0)\theta_2 u - (\hat{x}_3 - Q_0)\hat{\theta}_2 u] + \Delta_y. \]

Defining \( \hat{h}_1 = h_1(x_{1,N}, u) - h_1(\hat{x}_{1,N}, u), \)
\( \hat{h}_2 = h_2(x_{2,N}, u) - h_2(\hat{x}_{2,N}, u), \) and
\( \hat{h}_3 = h_3(x_3) - h_3(\hat{x}_3), \) gives
\[ e_{y_2} = \hat{y}_1 - \hat{h}_{2,ol} - \hat{h}_3 u + \theta_2 e_3 u + (\hat{x}_3 - Q_0)\hat{\theta}_2 u + \Delta_y. \]

Let \( V_0 \) be the composite Lyapunov function for the interconnected observers given by
\[ V_O(t) = V_1(t) + V_2(t), \]
where \( V_1(t) \) and \( V_2(t) \) are the candidate Lyapunov functions for the cathode and anode observer. It is worth mentioning that the stability of individual cathode and anode observers may not guarantee the stability of the overall interconnected observer. To that end, the bidirectional information exchange between the two individual observers is taken into consideration to provide the conditions for practical stability for the whole interconnected observer.

The Lyapunov functions for the cathode and anode observer are defined as
\[ V_1(t) = \frac{1}{2}e_{e_1}^T e_{e_1} + \frac{1}{2}e_{e_2}^T e_{e_2} + \frac{1}{2}k_2 e_{\theta_2}^2, \]
and
\[ V_2(t) = \frac{1}{2}e_{e_2}^T e_{e_2} + \frac{1}{2}k_1 e_{\theta_1}^2. \]

The candidate functions in (41) and (42) are analyzed separately, one at a time, albeit taking into account the information exchange (state variable update) from the adjacent connected observer. Taking the derivative of (41) with respect to time, and substituting \( e_{y,1} = y - \hat{y}_1 \) from (38) yields
\[ \dot{V}_1 = e_{e_1}^T \dot{e}_1 + e_{e_3}^T e_{\theta_3} + k_2 e_{\theta_2}^2 \theta_2 = e_{e_1}^T A_{11} e_1 - G_1(y - \hat{y}_1) - G_{e_1} \text{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_1) + \Delta_{x_1} \]
\[ e_{e_2} - \theta_1 A_{22} e_2 + e_{\theta_1} A_{22} \hat{x}_2 - G_{e_2} \text{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_2) - G_{e_2} \text{sgn}(y - \hat{y}_2) + \Delta_{x_2} \]
\[ e_{\theta_3} = -G_3(y - \hat{y}_1) u. \]

For parameters that are slowly varying, the following assumption is made: \( \theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0, \) hence the error dynamics for parameter estimation are given by
\[ \begin{align*}
\dot{e}_{\theta_1} &= \dot{\theta}_1 - \hat{\theta}_1 = \dot{\theta}_1 \\
\dot{e}_{\theta_2} &= \dot{\theta}_2 - \hat{\theta}_2 = \dot{\theta}_2.
\end{align*} \]
Combining (43), (44), and then grouping related terms, gives

\[ \dot{V}_O = e_1^T A_{11} e_1 - e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_1 + e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol} - e_1^T G_{\nu_1} \text{sgn} \left( y - \hat{y}_1 \right) + e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1} + e_1^T \theta_1 A_{22} e_2 - e_2^T G_2 \tilde{h}_1,ol + e_2^T G_2 \tilde{h}_2 - e_2^T G_{\nu_2} \text{sgn} \left( y - \hat{y}_2 \right) + e_2^T \Delta_{\nu_2} + e_2^T G_1 \tilde{h}_3 - e_1^T G_1 \theta_2 e_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \Delta_y - e_3 G_3 e_{y_1} u + e_2^T G_2 \tilde{h}_3 - e_2^T G_2 \theta_2 e_3 u - e_2^T G_2 \Delta_y - e_1^T G_1 \left( \hat{x}_3 - Q_0 \right) e_{\theta_2} u - k_2 e_{\theta_2} \delta_2 - e_2^T G_2 \left( \tilde{x}_3 - Q_0 \right) e_{\theta_2} u + e_2^T e_{\theta_1} A_{22} \tilde{x}_2 - k_1 e_{\theta_1} \theta_1. \]  

(45)

In (45), the terms are grouped as per the state or parameter error they are related to, and denoted as follows:

1) \( \dot{V}_c \): first five terms are related to the cathode concentration estimation error,
2) \( \dot{V}_o \): next five terms are related to anode concentration estimation error,
3) \( \dot{V}_h \): followed by seven terms related to capacity estimation error,
4) \( \dot{V}_D \): next three terms for the SEI layer ionic conductivity estimation error,
5) \( \dot{V}_{D,2} \): final two terms for the anode diffusion coefficient error.

Consider the terms denoting cathode concentration estimation error \( \dot{V}_c \),

\[ \dot{V}_c = \dot{V}_{c,1} + \dot{V}_{c,2}, \]

where,

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{V}_{c,1} &= e_1^T A_{11} e_1 - e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_1, \\
\dot{V}_{c,2} &= e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_2 - e_1^T G_{\nu_1} \text{sgn} \left( y - \hat{y}_1 \right) + e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1}.
\end{align*}
\]

(47)

Consider \( \dot{V}_{c,1} \), and using Lemma 1, gives

\[ \dot{V}_{c,1} \leq e_1^T A_{11} e_1 + e_1^T G_1 \gamma_{p,2} C e_1. \]

(48)

Note that in a lithium-ion battery cell, the lithium ions are transported from one electrode to another. Hence, as the lithium concentration in anode increases, the concentration in cathode decreases, and vice-versa.

From Remark 5, the nonlinear functions \( h_1(x_{1,N}) \) and \( h_2(x_{2,N}) \) are strictly monotonically decreasing functions in \( x_{1,N} \) and \( x_{2,N} \), respectively. Further, using Remark 4, it can be inferred that

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{sgn} \left( x_{1,N} - \hat{x}_{1,N} \right) &= -\text{sgn} \left( x_{2,N} - \hat{x}_{2,N} \right), \\
\text{sgn} \left( h_1(x_{1,N}) - h_1(\hat{x}_{1,N}) \right) &= -\text{sgn} \left( h_2(x_{2,N}) - \hat{h}_2(x_{2,N}) \right).
\end{align*}
\]

(50)

It follows that

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) &= \text{sgn}(y_1 - \hat{y}_1) = \text{sgn} \left( \hat{h}_1 - \hat{h}_{2,ol} \right) \\
&= -\text{sgn} \left( \hat{h}_{2,ol} - \hat{h}_1 \right).
\end{align*}
\]

(52)

Again, due to the opposing signs of \( \hat{h}_1 \) and \( \hat{h}_{2,ol} \), the sign of the difference will be always same as the first element in the difference from Property 1, giving

\[ \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) = \text{sgn}(y_1 - \hat{y}_1) = -\text{sgn} \left( \hat{h}_{2,ol} \right). \]

(53)

Using this knowledge in \( \dot{V}_{c,2} \), choosing gain \( G_{\nu_1} \) be related to gain \( G_1 \) through a scalar relationship given by \( G_{\nu_1} = -\beta_1 G_1 \) where \( \beta_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+ \), and using Property 2, gives

\[ \dot{V}_{c,2} = e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol} - \beta_1 e_1^T G_1 \text{sgn} \left( \tilde{h}_{2,ol} \right) + e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1} = e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol} \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_1}{|\tilde{h}_{2,ol}|} \right) + e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1}. \]

(54)

Since \( G_1 \) is always negative, and \( \text{sgn}(e_1) = \text{sgn}(\tilde{h}_{2,ol}) \), the following condition always holds true, irrespective of the sign of the elements of \( e_1 \)

\[ \text{sgn} \left( e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol} \right) = -1. \]

(55)

The above relationship is rewritten as

\[ e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol} = -|e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol}|. \]

(56)

Substituting back in (54), gives

\[ \dot{V}_{c,2} = -|e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol}| \left( 1 - \frac{\beta_1}{|\tilde{h}_{2,ol}|} \right) + e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1}. \]

(57)

The following condition on \( \beta_1 \) ensures \( \dot{V}_{c,2} \leq 0 \)

\[ \beta_1 \leq \left( -\frac{e_1^T \Delta_{\nu_1}}{|e_1^T G_1 \tilde{h}_{2,ol}|} + 1 \right) |\tilde{h}_{2,ol}|. \]

(58)
This ensures that both $\hat{V}_{c,1}$ and $\hat{V}_{c,2}$ are negative definite, resulting in $V_c$ to decay to a bounded error ball whose radius is determined by the modeling uncertainty $\Delta_{x_1}$.

Further, the anode concentration error terms $\hat{V}_a$ are,
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_a = e_1^T \theta_1 \tilde{A}_{22} e_2 - e_1^T G_2 \hat{h}_{1,ol} + e_1^T G_2 \tilde{h}_2 \tag{59}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
e_2^T G_2 \tilde{h}_2 \text{sgn} (y - \tilde{y}_2) + e_1^T \Delta \hat{x}_a \nonumber
\end{equation}
Likewise to the aforementioned proof for cathode terms in $V_c$, there exists a gain $G_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1}$ that places all the eigenvalues of $\theta_1 A_2 + G_2 \gamma_{n,2} C$ in the left half plane, making it negative definite. Moreover, gain $G_2$ is chosen to be related to gain $G_2$ through a scalar relationship given by $G_{\nu_2} = -\beta_2 G_2$ where $\beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}_1$. Finally, if the above given condition for $\beta_2$ is satisfied (which is derived in similar fashion as done above for $\beta_1$)
\begin{equation}
\beta_2 \leq \left( -\frac{-\varepsilon^T \Delta \hat{x}_a}{|e_2^T G_2 \hat{h}_{1,ol}|} + 1 \right) |\hat{h}_{1,ol}|, \tag{60}
\end{equation}
then $\hat{V}_a$ converges to a ball of radius bounded by $\Delta \hat{x}_a$. A conservative approach is undertaken to tune the values for $\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$, by selecting values for $e_1, e_2, \hat{h}_{1,ol}$ and $\hat{h}_{2,ol}$ that relate to acceptable errors.

Consider the capacity estimation error related terms $\hat{V}_q$,
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_q = e_1^T G_1 \hat{h}_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \theta_2 e_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \Delta y - e_3 G_3 e_{y_1} u + e_2^T G_2 \tilde{h}_2 e_3 u - e_2^T G_2 \Delta y \tag{61}
\end{equation}
Since $\hat{h}_3$ is Lipschitz in $x_3$, using Remark 5 it can be written that $\hat{h}_3 \leq -\alpha Q_3 e_3$. The above equation is rewritten as
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_q \leq - e_1^T G_1 \theta Q_3 e_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \theta_2 e_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \Delta y - e_3 G_3 e_{y_1} u - e_2^T G_2 \theta Q_3 e_3 u - e_2^T G_2 \theta_2 e_3 u - e_2^T G_2 \Delta y \tag{62}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
\leq - e_1^T G_1 \left( \theta + \alpha Q_3 \right) e_3 u - e_1^T G_1 \Delta y - e_3 G_3 e_{y_1} u - e_2^T G_2 \left( \theta_2 + \alpha Q_3 \right) e_3 u - e_2^T G_2 \Delta y \tag{63}
\end{equation}
Assuming $\Delta y = \psi e_3 u$ since any bounded modeling uncertainty in the output will result in an error in the estimation of capacity ($e_3$), under any input $u$. In other words, if there is no uncertainty in the output, i.e. if $\Delta y = 0$ then there would not be an error in the capacity estimate. Rewriting (62) as given below
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_q \leq - \left( e_1^T G_1 + e_2^T G_2 \right) \left( \theta_2 + \alpha Q_3 \right) e_3 u - (e_1^T G_1 + e_2^T G_2) \psi e_3 u - e_3 G_3 \psi e_{y_1} \tag{64}
\end{equation}

Upon rearranging the above equation, if gain $G_3$ satisfies the below relationship
\begin{equation}
G_3 \geq \frac{\left\| (e_1^T G_1 + e_2^T G_2) \left( \theta_2 + \alpha Q_3, \psi \right) \right\|}{|e_{y_1}|}, \tag{65}
\end{equation}
then $V_q$ converges to a ball of radius bounded by $\psi$ and the steady state estimation errors of anode and cathode concentration states $x_1$ and $x_3$. Acceptable initial error values for $e_1, e_2$ and $e_{y_1}$ are chosen to tune the value of gain $G_3$.

For the SEI layer ionic conductivity estimation error terms,
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_\kappa = - e_1^T G_1 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - e_2^T G_2 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - k_2 e_{\theta_2} \tilde{\theta}_2 \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) \tag{66}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
= - e_1^T G_1 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - e_2^T G_2 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - k_2 e_{\theta_2} \tilde{\theta}_2 \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) \nonumber
\end{equation}
The estimation of SEI layer ionic conductivity is intended to begin after the lithium concentration estimates for both electrodes converge to the error ball, so that the SEI layer ionic conductivity does not show transients due to the initial error in electrode lithium concentration. This enables the assumption that $\hat{h}_{2,ol} = \tilde{h}_2$, which means that the open loop model of anode in the cathode observer has been corrected and it gives the same estimate as that of the closed loop model of anode in the anode observer. It follows that $\text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) = \text{sgn}(\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_{2,ol})$, and using Property 2 and Remark 5,
\begin{equation}
\text{sgn}(\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2) = \frac{\tilde{h}_1 - \hat{h}_2}{|\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2|} \tag{67}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}\nonumber
= \frac{\tilde{h}_1}{h_1 - h_2} - \frac{\hat{h}_2}{h_1 - h_2} \tag{68}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
\leq - \gamma_{n,2} C e_{\theta_2} |\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2| + \gamma_{n,2} C e_{\theta_2} |h_1 - h_2| \tag{69}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
This leads to
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_\kappa \leq - e_1^T G_1 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - e_2^T G_2 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) e_{\theta_2} u - k_2 e_{\theta_2} \tilde{\theta}_2 \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) |\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2| \tag{70}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
+ \frac{k_2 e_{\theta_2} \tilde{\theta}_2 \gamma_{n,2} C e_{\theta_2}}{\text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) |h_1 - h_2|} \tag{71}
\end{equation}
Rearranging the terms, and with the knowledge that for any scalar, $C e_{\theta_2} = e_1^T C^T$ and $C e_{\theta_2} = e_2^T C^T$, we have
\begin{equation}
\hat{V}_\kappa \leq (e_1^T G_1 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) u + e_2^T G_2 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) u - k_2 e_{\theta_2} \tilde{\theta}_2 \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) |\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2|) e_{\theta_2} \tag{72}
\end{equation}
The terms inside the parentheses can be set to 0, if the following two adaptation laws hold true
\begin{equation}
\dot{\theta}_2 = - C G_1 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) u \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) |\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2| \tag{73}
\end{equation}
\begin{equation}
\dot{\tilde{\theta}_2} = - C G_2 (\tilde{x}_3 - Q_0) u \text{sgn}(e_{y_1}) |\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2| \tag{74}
\end{equation}
which is only possible if the gains of the cathode and anode observers are chosen to satisfy the following relationship
\begin{equation}
\frac{G_1}{\gamma_{n,2}} = \frac{k_2 \gamma_{n,2}}{C^2} \tag{75}
\end{equation}
Note that $|\hat{h}_1 - \tilde{h}_2|$ in (72) is unknown in real-time, and hence a tolerable value is chosen. This leads to a conservative solution but ensures that $V_c$ only decays to a bounded region characterized by the steady-state errors in the estimation of $x_1, x_2, x_3$, since estimation of $x_1, x_2, x_3$ only converges to
their respective error balls. Further, the adaptation law for \( \theta_2 \) requires the input current \( u \) to satisfy the persistence of excitation condition.

Finally, for the error terms related to the anode diffusion coefficient estimation,

\[
\dot{V}_{D_a} = e_2^T \dot{A}_{22} e_\theta \dot{x}_2 - k_1 e_\theta \dot{\theta}_1
\]

Using Property 1 and 2, \( \text{sgn}(e_{y_2}) = -\text{sgn}(\tilde{h}_2) = \frac{-\tilde{h}_2}{|\tilde{h}_2|} \), and knowing \( \tilde{h}_2 \leq -\gamma_{n,2} C_{e2} \) and \( C_{e2} = e_2^T C_T \) gives

\[
\dot{V}_{D_a} \leq e_2^T \dot{A}_{22} e_\theta \dot{x}_2 - k_1 e_\theta \frac{\text{sgn}(e_{y_2}) |\tilde{h}_2|}{\gamma_{n,2} k_1} \dot{\theta}_1
\]

Choosing the following adaptation law

\[
\dot{\theta}_1 = \frac{C \dot{A}_{22} e_\theta \text{sgn}(e_{y_2}) |\tilde{h}_2|}{\gamma_{n,2} k_1},
\]

ensures that \( V_{D_a} \) decays and lies within a bounded region defined by the steady state error in estimation of \( x_2 \). Note that \( \tilde{h}_2 \) in (75) is unknown in real-time, and hence a tolerable value is chosen resulting in a conservative approach.

Combining the results from \( \dot{V}_c, \dot{V}_a, \dot{V}_q, \dot{V}_n, \) and \( \dot{V}_{D_a} \) yields

\[
\dot{V}_O \leq \dot{V}_c + \dot{V}_a + \dot{V}_q + \dot{V}_n + \dot{V}_{D_a} \leq 0.
\]

Since, \( \dot{V}_c, \dot{V}_a, \dot{V}_q, \dot{V}_n, \) and \( \dot{V}_{D_a} \) converge only to a ball that is bounded by their respective modeling uncertainties and steady state errors, \( V_o \) is practically stable as per Definition 3. Further, the radius of the error balls can be reduced by tuning the gains \( \beta_1, \beta_2, G_3, k_1 \) and \( k_2 \).

V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Two lithium-ion NMC cells (Cells \# A, B) at different stages of health with distinct measured capacity values as shown in Table III, are chosen to test the performance of the proposed interconnected observer. Notably, cell \# A is a fresh cell with a higher capacity value, whereas cell \# B has been aged under the protocol discussed in [17]. The experimentally measured current and voltage data of these cells, subjected to any particular drive cycle are used as the input to the proposed interconnected adaptive observer. The estimated capacity is compared against the measured capacity of each cell. The estimation error in capacity is computed as \( Q_{err} = \frac{(\hat{Q} - Q)}{Q} \times 100\% \), also tabulated in the last column of Table III. On the other hand, the estimated bulk and surface concentration in both electrodes, and the aging-sensitive parameters are validated against the higher order model, ESPM, described in Section III.

A. Observer Gains Tuning Process

Tolerable values of errors and variables are assumed to tune the gains of the adaptive interconnected observer such that the conditions derived in Section IV are satisfied. The following steps can be undertaken to tune the observer gains. 1) Firstly, gains \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) are adjusted to ensure that the trajectory of the concentration estimates from an incorrect initialized value approaches the true/reference value. In the absence of information on the bounds on the gradients as given in (73), the gains are selected by fixing \( G_1 \) and then tuning \( G_2 \) that leads to a minimum steady state error in the estimation of cathode and anode concentration. 2) Next, tuning parameter \( k_1 \) is calibrated to make sure that the diffusion estimate converges to the identified diffusion coefficient of the ESPM. A tolerable value of the error \( |\tilde{h}_2| \) in (75) is chosen assuming the maximum error that can exist in the initial condition of solid phase concentration. In this work, the maximum initial error in the lithium concentration in both electrodes is assumed to be 45% (which can be selected based on the application; for instance in a Hybrid Electric Vehicle that has a charge sustaining operation, the SOC window of operation is small and hence the initial error chosen is low, as opposed to an Electric Vehicle application where the initial error can be high), and hence the corresponding error in \( |\tilde{h}_2| \) is considered. 3) The gain \( G_3 \) and the tuning parameter \( k_2 \) are then adjusted such that the capacity and SEI layer conductivity estimates satisfy the practical stability condition in (65) and (72). Again, the unknown tolerable error values in real-time are chosen by assuming the maximum initial error in the concentration of both electrodes, based on the application. Note that the estimation of capacity and SEI layer ionic conductivity begins after the lithium concentration estimates for both electrodes converge within their respective error ball. This is carried out to ensure that the capacity estimate does not show transients due to the high initial solid phase concentration error. Further, the capacity estimate is passed through a low pass filter to smooth out any remaining transients.

B. Capacity estimation for cells at different stages of health

Cell \# A is subjected to a US06 drive cycle derived from a Hybrid Electric Vehicle simulator and scaled for a single cell. The measured voltage and current data of Cell \# A are fed as input to the interconnected adaptive observer. The lithium concentration states in both electrodes are initialized with an error of 45%. The capacity of the observer is initialized to 2.1Ah, which is an error of 7.6% with respect to the true measured value of 1.95Ah. The diffusion coefficient is initialized as \( D_{n,n,ref} = 0.1 \cdot D_{n,n,ref} \). The estimation performance is shown in Fig. 4. The estimated capacity is 1.94Ah; which is well within 1% of its measured value. Since the actual value of SEI layer ionic conductivity is unknown, the convergence of the capacity estimate is taken as an indication of its convergence. For the charge-sustaining US06 drive cycle,
the measured voltage and current data of Cell # B are fed as input to the interconnected adaptive observer. The aged cell # B has lost approximately 6% of its capacity, as shown in Measured Capacity column in Table III. The initialization error in states and parameters of the observer is same as the case of cell # A. The estimation performance is shown in Fig. 5. Since the cell is aged, it is not possible to validate the non-measurable states and parameters like bulk, surface concentration and the anode diffusion coefficient against the ESPM in Section III which is for a fresh cell with nominal parameters. In this case, the estimation performance of voltage and capacity against experimentally measured values are taken as an indicator of the convergence of the internal states and parameters. In this case, the estimation performance is shown in Fig. 6. The estimated cell capacity is again observed to be within 2% of its measured value.

C. Estimation with measurement noise and sensor bias

The measured current (US06 drive cycle) and voltage of Cell # A is corrupted with a zero-mean Gaussian noise of 100mA and 25mV standard deviation, respectively. This is to mimic measurement noises introduced due to error in sensors or error in data transmission from the sensors. The adaptive observer is fed with the corrupted current and the corrupted voltage data to verify its robustness in capacity estimation. The estimation results as shown in Fig. 7 is well within 2% of its measured value. Further, measured current and voltage data for Cell # B is corrupted by adding a constant bias of 10mA and 10mV to simulate a faulty un-calibrated sensor. The bias-induced current and voltage data from the experiment are supplied to the proposed adaptive observer. The capacity estimation, in this scenario, is also bounded within 2% of its real value, as shown in Fig. 8, indicating that
the interconnected observer provides robust capacity estimates against sensor biases.

VI. CONCLUSION

This paper addresses the issue of combined estimation of non-measurable critical battery variables such as lithium concentration and total cell capacity through an electrochemical model-based adaptive interconnected observer. Under the assumption that the SEI layer growth is the dominant aging mechanism, an adaptive interconnected observer is formulated by exploiting the dynamic relationship between capacity and power fade. A model-based adaptive interconnected observer is proposed for combined estimation of lithium concentration, Diffusion coefficient, and Conductivity in the SEI layer, and (f) Capacity estimation validated against the measured capacity. Error in capacity estimate is less than 2%.

APPENDIX A

PARAMETER IDENTIFICATION AND VALIDATION

The ESPM parameters in (15) are identified from the experimental data collected over a cylindrical 2Ah NMC Lithium-ion cell. The experimental setup shown in Fig. 9 includes two Arbin battery testing systems - capable of applying diverse current profiles to cells - and a thermal chamber. The ESPM detailed in (15) is characterized by a vector $\lambda$ with 18 parameters to be identified as

$$\lambda = [c_{s,n,\text{max}}, c_{s,p,\text{max}}, D_{s,n}, D_{s,p}, R_n, R_p, A_1, L_1, \kappa_n, \epsilon_p, k_p, R_1, L_s, \epsilon_{c,s}, \epsilon_{f,s}, \epsilon_{f,p}]^T.$$  

The identification of the parameter vector $\lambda$ is achieved by fitting the ESPM output voltage to the measured voltage data. However, it is well understood that electrochemical models, such as ESPM, are nonlinear in parameters and all the parameters may not be uniquely identifiable from the output voltage [18]. The need for identifying 18 parameters leads to over-parameterization, especially when a small subset of
The virtual measurement is in the form of SOC computed from volume averaging of cathode concentration, that minimizes the combination of following objectives: 1) highly accurate. The identifiability of ESPM parameters is known, and that the current measured by the Arbin is under perfectly controlled laboratory conditions, it is safe to assume that the initial state of charge and temperature data. For an off-line parameter identification study conducted using Coulomb Counting method from the measured current incorporating virtual measurements into the objective function. Thus, the conventional parameter identification technique involves only a solitary objective function of minimizing error between simulated output and measured output voltage reveals parameter identifiability issues. In this work, an attempt is made to enhance the existing identification technique by incorporating virtual measurements into the objective function. The virtual measurement is in the form of SOC computed using Coulomb Counting method from the measured current data. For an off-line parameter identification study conducted under perfectly controlled laboratory conditions, it is safe to assume that the initial state of charge and temperature are known, and that the current measured by the Arbin is highly accurate. The identifiability of ESPM parameters is maximized by solving a multi-objective optimization problem that minimizes the combination of following objectives: 1) $J_1$ : error between measured and simulated voltage, 2) $J_2$ : error between Coulomb Counting SOC and cathode bulk SOC computed from volume averaging of cathode concentration, and 3) $J_3$ : error between Coulomb Counting SOC and anode bulk SOC computed from volume averaging of anode concentration. The advantages of the aforementioned multi-objective optimization is verified by analyzing the identifiability of the ESPM parameters with respect to the measured output voltage and virtually measured bulk SOC of both electrodes. In this work, the identifiability analysis is performed in two steps: (a) Local sensitivity analysis, and (b) Correlation analysis. Sensitivity Analysis The response of the ESPM outputs (voltage and bulk SOC) to changes in each parameter in $\lambda$ quantifies the sensitivity of the model output to the specific parameter. The nominal values for the parameters in $\lambda$ are taken from [11]. The sensitivity is computed as

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial \lambda_1} (t_1) & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial \lambda_j} (t_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial \lambda_1} (t_k) & \cdots & \frac{\partial y_m}{\partial \lambda_j} (t_k) \end{bmatrix},$$

where $m$ is the number of outputs (cell voltage and bulk SOC of both electrodes), $m = 3$, $k$ is the number of total samples available, $j$ is the number of parameters, and $S \in \mathbb{R}^{(k \times m) \times j}$. In order to compare the sensitivities of all parameters, the Euclidean norm of every column of the sensitivity matrix corresponding to each parameter $||S_{:,j}||$ is computed. The parameters sorted as per their sensitivities $||S_{:,j}||$ with respect to multi-outputs (voltage and bulk SOC) and single-output (voltage) is compared on a log scale in Fig 10. From Fig. 10, it is verified that incorporating another output in the form of SOC, indeed, improves the sensitivity of the parameters. Correlation Analysis Despite the improved sensitivity of some parameters (see Fig. 10), it is important to verify if they can be uniquely identified from the available outputs. Correlation analysis is performed then where the linear dependence of the sensitivity matrix columns is computed.
Fig. 10. Ranked sensitivity comparison for EPSM parameters with single and multi-objective optimization functions.

\begin{align}
\bar{C} &= \begin{bmatrix}
\bar{C}_{1,1} & \bar{C}_{1,2} & \ldots & \bar{C}_{1,j} \\
\bar{C}_{2,1} & \bar{C}_{2,2} & \ldots & \bar{C}_{2,j} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\bar{C}_{j,1} & \bar{C}_{j,2} & \ldots & \bar{C}_{j,j}
\end{bmatrix},
\end{align}

(78)

where each element in the correlation matrix \( \bar{C} \) is computed as

\begin{align}
\bar{C}_{i,j} &= \frac{(S_{i,i}S_{j,j})}{||S_{i,i}||||S_{j,j}||}.
\end{align}

(79)

Essentially, if changes in different parameters result in the same response in the outputs, their respective sensitivity columns will be similar or linearly dependent. Hence, values of \( \bar{C}_{i,j} \) close to 1 or -1 indicate linear dependency between parameters and hence they cannot be identified uniquely from the outputs. In this work, the threshold value for \( \bar{C}_{i,j} \) to indicate correlation is taken to be 0.8. The correlation analysis for parameter identification with a solitary objective function is shown in Fig. 11.a and with multi-objective function is shown in Fig. 11.b. The results from identifiability analysis shows that although including SOC as a virtual measurement improves sensitivity and reduces correlation between parameters, there is still not a single parameter that is uniquely identifiable.

Hence, a subset of parameters is selected based on the ranked sensitivity list and the correlation analysis table that can sufficiently characterize the ESPM without leading to over-parametrization. The vector consisting of parameters that can be uniquely identified from the outputs is denoted by \( \lambda^* \). Each parameter with a sensitivity value higher than a threshold value of \( ||S_{i,j}|| > 0.2 \) is considered for the parameter subset selection procedure. Firstly, the most sensitive parameter, the cell cross-sectional area \( A \), is automatically selected in the subset parameter vector \( \lambda^* \). Next, the second ranked sensitive parameter is checked for correlation with \( A \). If it is correlated, then the parameter is fixed at its nominal value, taken from the literature [11]. If the parameter is not correlated to \( A \), then it enters the subset parameter vector \( \lambda^* \) as a parameter that can be uniquely identified. The process continues until every parameter is checked. Based on the subset selection procedure, the set of parameters that can be uniquely identified is given as \( \lambda^* = [A, \epsilon_n, R_n, D_{s,n}, R_l, R_p, D_{s,p}]^T \). Note that this analysis is specific to the input current profile used. The identifiability analysis procedure reduces the number of parameters that need to be identified from 18 to 7, thereby reducing over-parameterization. The multi-objective optimization problem is

\begin{align}
\min_{\lambda^*} & \quad f(\lambda^*) \\
\text{subject to} & \quad \bar{C}_{i,j} > 0.8, i, j = 1, 2, \ldots, 7.
\end{align}


then formulated as follows:

$$\arg\min_{\lambda^*} \ J_1 + J_2 + J_3$$

subject to:

$$\dot{x}_{1,k} = \mathbf{A}_{11}(\lambda^*) \, x_{1,k} + \mathbf{B}_{1}(\lambda^*) \, u_k,$$

$$\dot{x}_{2,k} = \lambda^* \mathbf{A}_{22} \, \mathbf{x}_{2,k} + \mathbf{B}_{2}(\lambda^*) \, u_k,$$

$$x_3 = 0,$$

$$\dot{x}_{4,k} = f_c(x_4, u, \lambda^*)$$

$$y_k = h_1(x_{1,N,k}, u) - h_2(x_{2,N,k}, u) - h_4(x_{4,k}, u) - \lambda^* u_k -$$

$$h_3(x_{3,k}) u_k + (x_{3,k} - Q_0) \theta_{2u_k}$$

$$Q_0 = \frac{F L_p \varepsilon \sigma c_{e,p,max} \left( \theta_{p,100\%} - \theta_{p,0\%} \right) \lambda^*}{3600}$$

where $\lambda^*$ is the vector containing the parameters to be identified, and $u_k$ is the experimentally measured input. Recall that the identification procedure is carried out for a fresh cell, hence the terms due to aging $h_3(x_{3,k}) u_k + (x_{3,k} - Q_0) \theta_{2u_k}$ are 0 because $x_3 = Q_0 \theta^2$. The multi-objective constrained optimization problem is solved using Genetic Algorithm over the experimentally collected voltage and current data. The RMS error in voltage prediction by ESPM (Fig. 12) is as follows: RMS=17mV at 1C (identification), RMS=30.4mV at 2C and RMS=69.1mV at 5C (validation).

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