Battery Test System for LFP Batteries and Battery Management Systems

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Equipment List, all with GPIB or LAN control

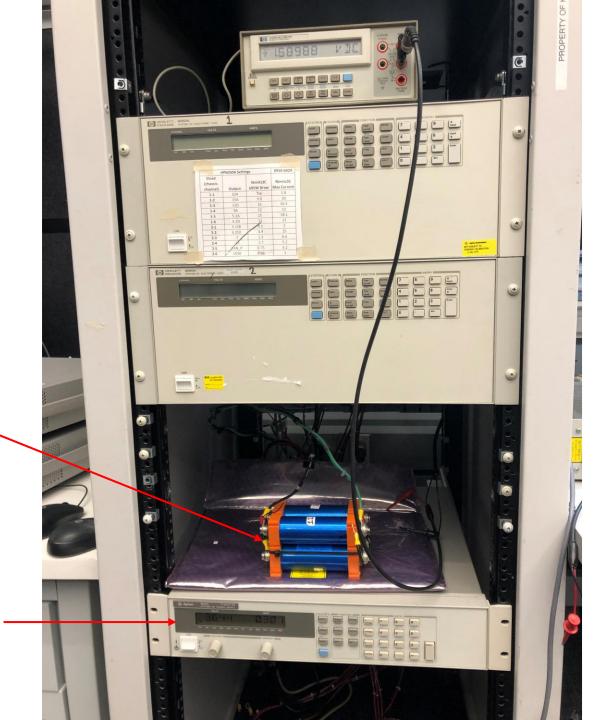
| Feature | HP/Agilent used starting prices on eBay – As a hobby, but find someone to repair first | Keysight New - As a business |
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| Battery Charging 16 cells 58.4V 20A | 6674A 60V 35A 2000W 240VAC DC System Power Supply, \$600 (could settle for 6654A 9A \$200) | • N5767A 60V 25A 1,600W Power Supply, \$4,493 |
| Battery Discharging 16 cells 58.4V 20A | 6050A System DC Electronic Load mainframe, \$625 4 60502B 60V 60A 300W load modules, \$300 each \$1,825 subtotal | N3300A 6 slot 1800W electronic load mainframe, \$3,927 4 N3304A 60V 60A 300W load modules, \$3,323 each \$17,219 subtotal |
| Battery Monitoring 16 cell voltages 2-5V, 16 cell temps 0-60C, and 1 current shunt 0-20A | 34970A Data Acquisition/Switch Unit, \$380 2 34901A 20-channel multiplexer card, \$322 each 16 thermocouples \$1,024 subtotal | DAQ973A Data Acquisition System, \$3,269 2 DAQM900A 20 Channel Solid-state Multiplexer Module, \$1,107 each 16 thermocouples \$5,483 subtotal |
| Battery Emulation for Battery Management Testing 16 cell voltages 2-5V | 8 E3620A Dual 25V 1A DC Power Supply, \$150 each \$1,200 subtotal | • 8 E3620A Dual 25V 1A DC Power Supply, \$1,457 each \$11,656 subtotal |
| Total | \$4,649 | \$38,311 8.3x |

Prototype - Charging

4 8 amp-hour screw terminal LFP cells, no BMS yet, similar to 10 amp hour version for \$145

https://www.batterysp ace.com/lifepo4-38120s-battery-12-8v-10ah-128wh-30arate.aspx

Agilent 6642A 20V 10A system power supply Set to 2 amps, 14.6V



Prototype - Discharging

4 8 amp-hour LFP cells

4 HP multimeters, 1 per cell 2 34401As, 3468B, 3478A, to be replaced by probe wires connected to data acquisition card

2 HP 6050A System DC Electronic Load mainframes with 6 slot cards each: 1 60501A 60V 30A 150W (box 2 slot 1)

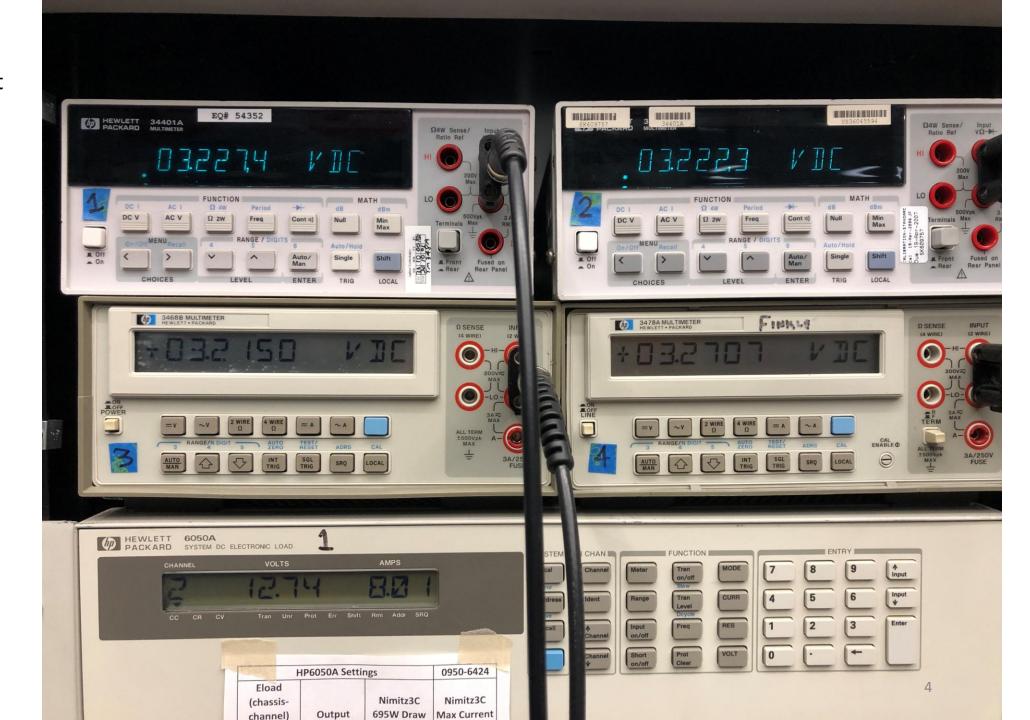
9 60501B 60V 30A 150W 1 60502B 60V 60A 300W (box 1 slot 3)

1 60503B 240V 10A 250W (box 2 slot 6)

Using just box 1 slot 2 to test 8 Ah cells at 8 amps; need 10x for 100 Ah cells

HP 34970A Data
Acquisition/Switch Unit
with 34901A 20-channel
multiplexer card in back (2 slots
empty)
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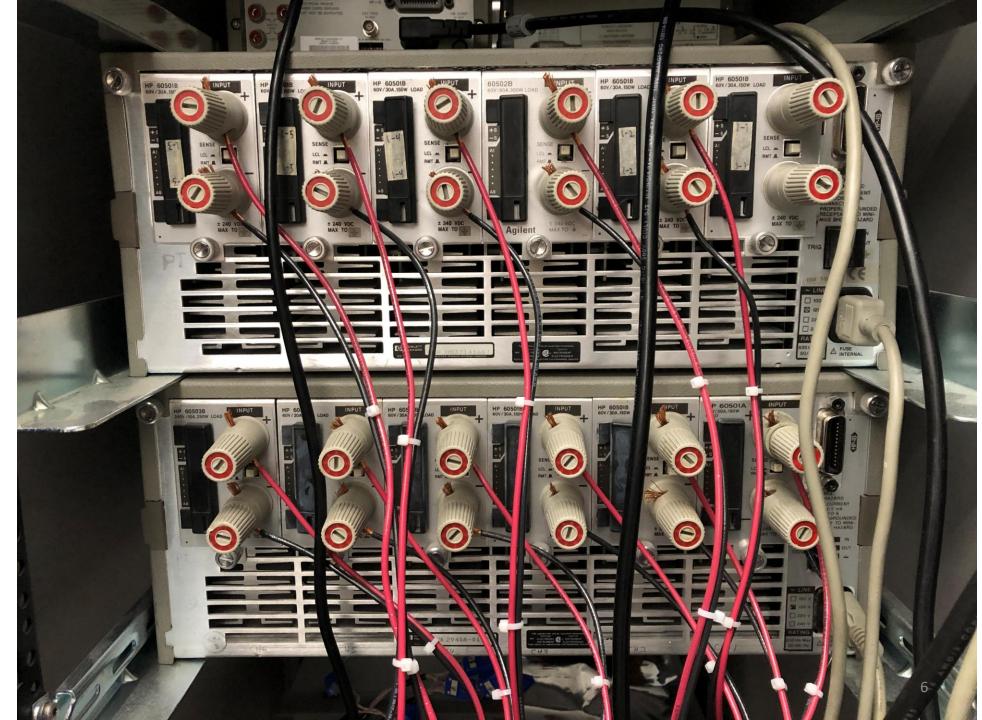
Multimeter and E-Load Closeup - front



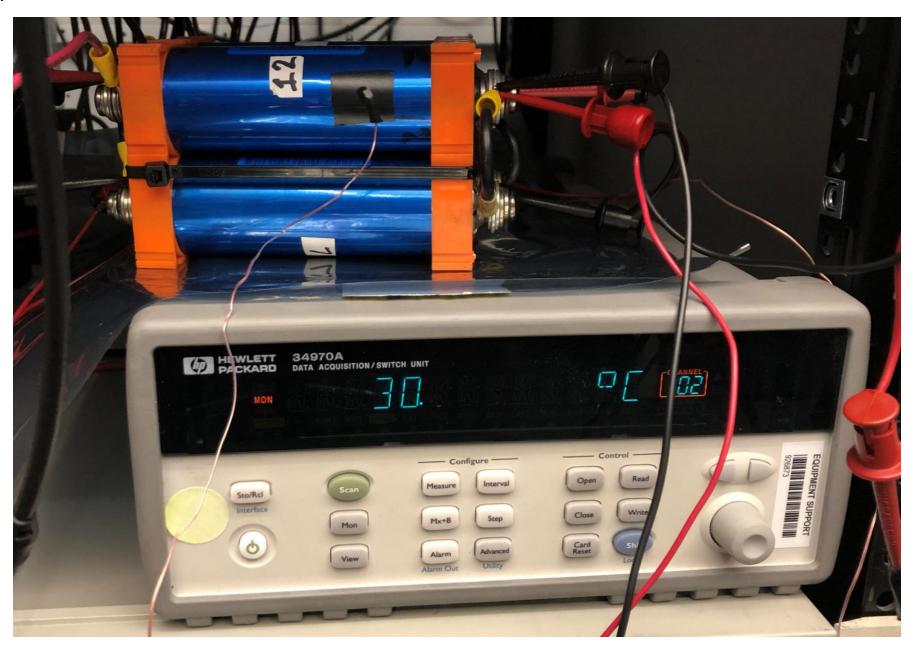
Multimeter Closeup - rear



E-Load Closeup - rear



DAQ Closeup - front



DAQ and PSU Closeup - rear

