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Accuracy Guidelines for SBS Smart Batteries

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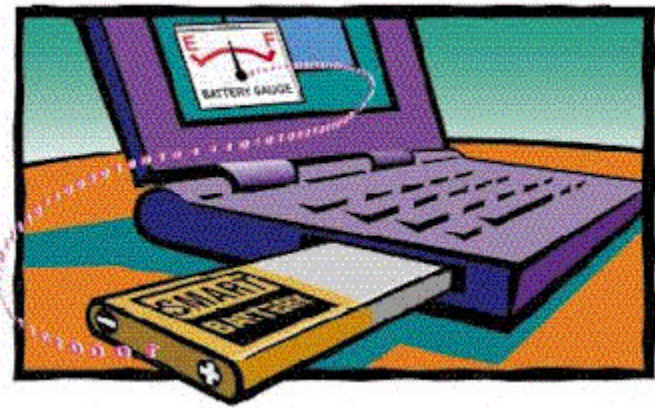


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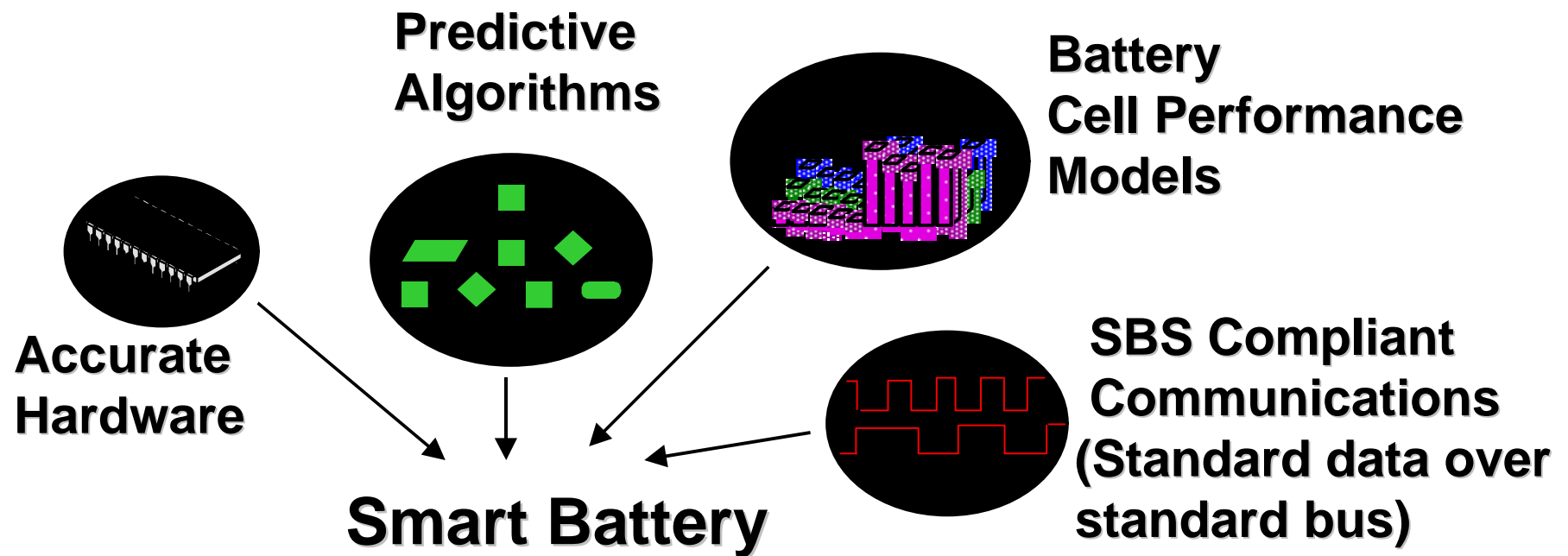
Agenda

- SBS Smart Batteries
- Accuracy in Smart Batteries
- SBS-IF Accuracy Guidelines
- Results - What Can be Expected
- Summary



SBS Smart Batteries

What is a Smart Battery ?



Multiple "Smart" Components Required



Why Smart Batteries ?

- Enables longer operating times
- Prevent data loss and premature shut-down
- Chemistry independence
- Increased safety for Lithium chemistries
- More effective charging
- Provide useful information to user and OS

Longer Device Run-times



Accuracy in Smart Batteries

Why Accuracy is Important

- Poor accuracy causes premature shut-downs
 - Data loss possible
 - False “low battery warnings” annoy users
 - Large ‘guard-bands’ of capacity waste battery
- Inaccuracy causes inefficient charging
- Low accuracy limits longer run-time benefits

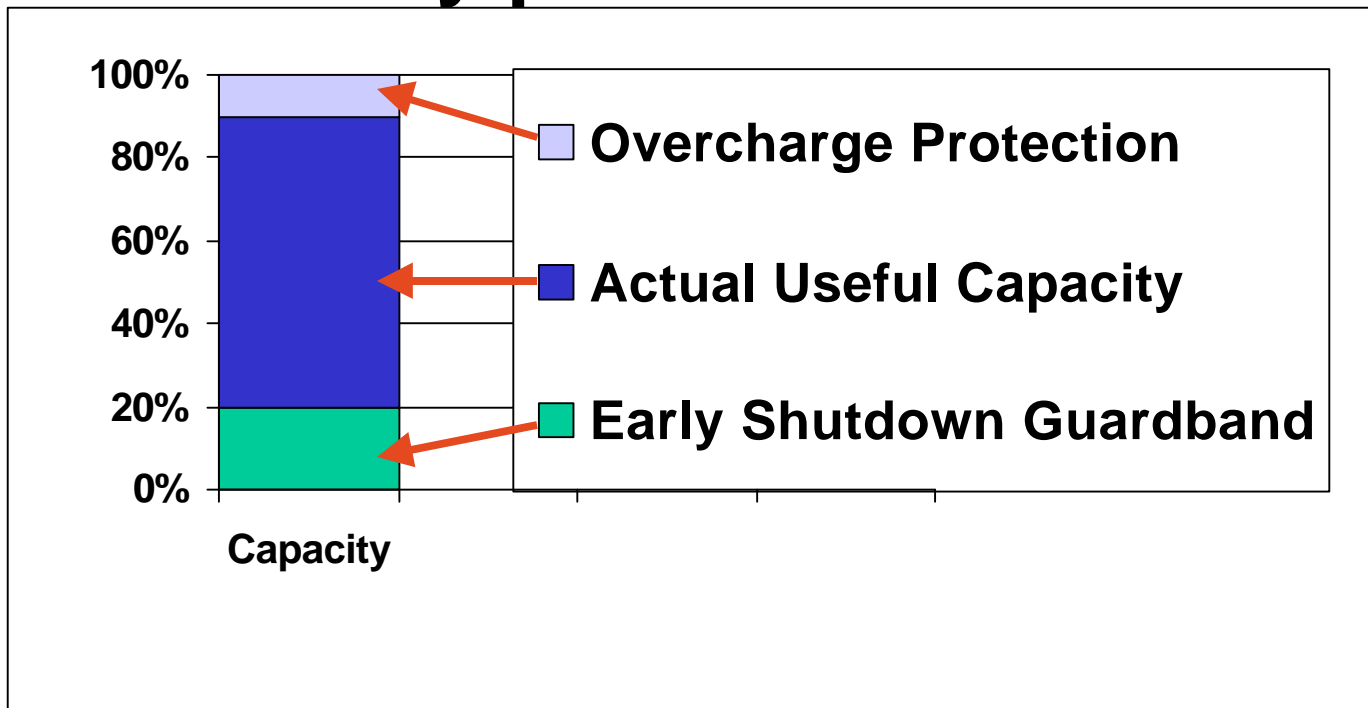
Accuracy allows system to use “last drop” of energy



Accuracy in Smart Batteries

Why Accuracy is Important

- **Poor accuracy prevents full use of battery**



Only 70% of Rated Capacity may actually be used!



Accuracy in Smart Batteries

Benefits of Accuracy Tests

- Provide a level of accuracy that software can design to
 - OS can expect minimum conformance
- Improve reliability & repeatability
- Determine optimum charge & discharge thresholds
- Establish means to compare suppliers

Reliable & Accurate Battery Data for all Users



SBS-IF Accuracy Guidelines

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So, what to do about accuracy in Smart Batteries?

Introducing the NEW Smart Battery Accuracy Testing Guidelines from the SBS-IF

Guidelines to Improve Accuracy Overall



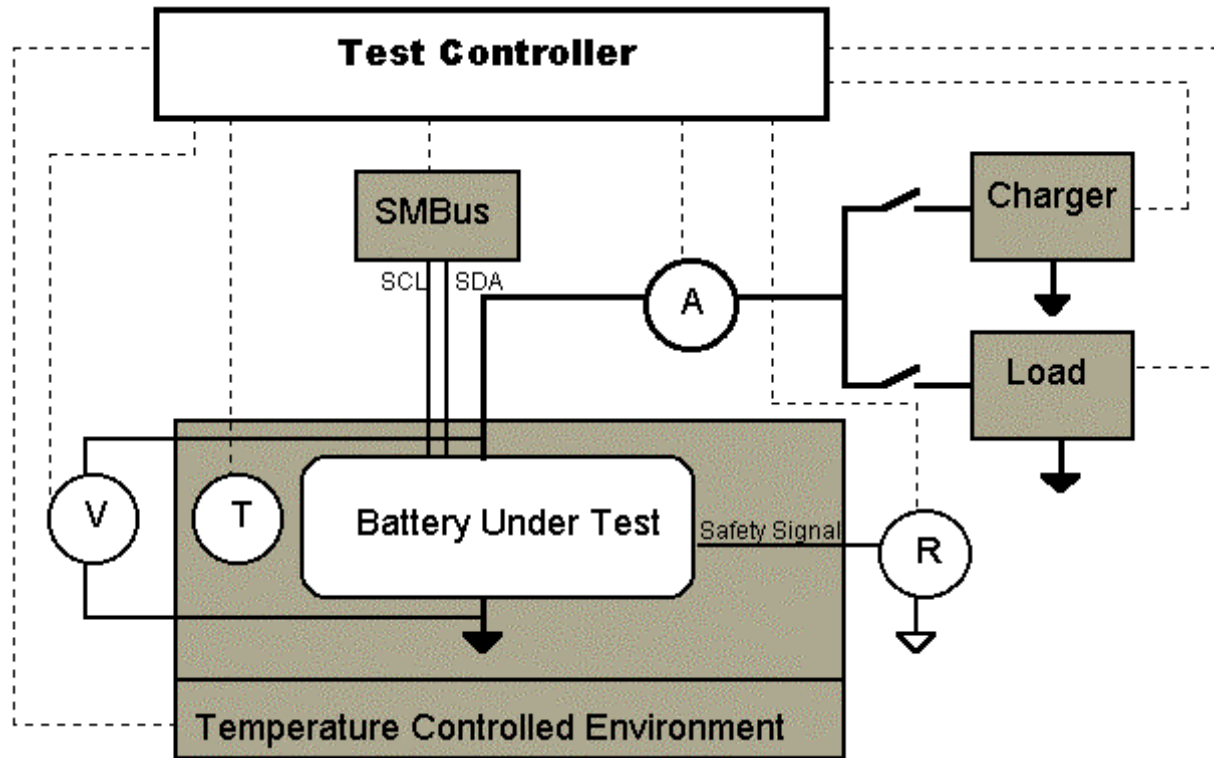
Development History

- SBS Accuracy Guidelines Developed by Key Industry Participants
 - Battery cell suppliers
 - Smart Battery electronics suppliers
 - OEMs
- For the Benefit of All
 - Part of the Smart Battery System Specifications (SBS)

SBS-IF Accuracy Guidelines

Example Test Setup

- No custom hardware needed



Setup can be built with off-the-shelf equipment



What to Test

- Capacity Tests
 - Compares Smart Reported Capacity to Actual
 - Full & Partial Cycling with Simulated Waveforms
 - > High and low rates simulate real-world applications
 - > Pulsed and steady-state conditions with varied temps
- Measurement Accuracy Tests
 - Absolute measurement accuracy (V, I, T)

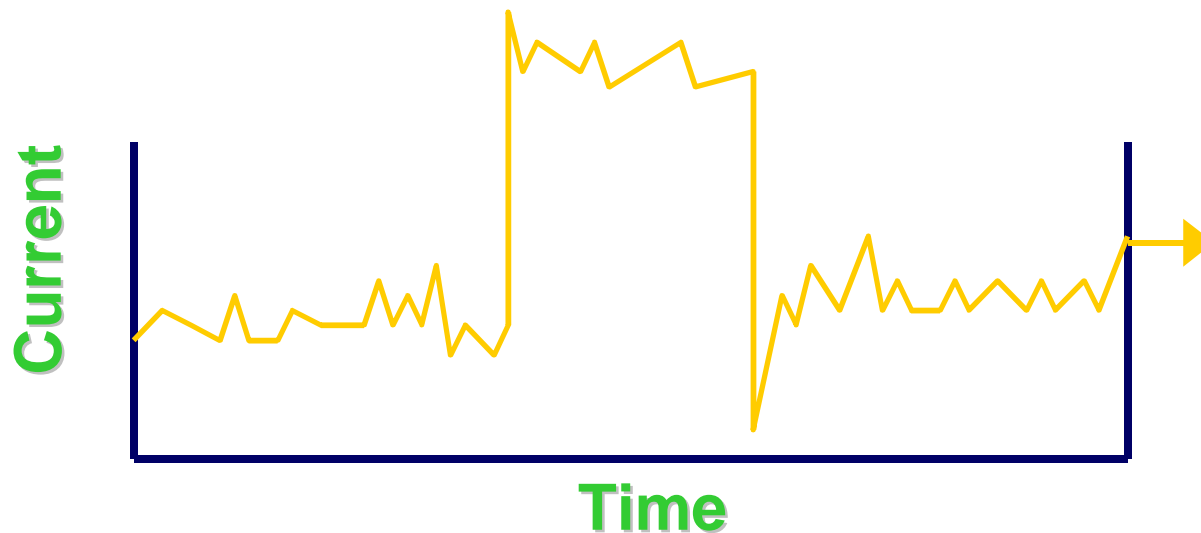
Multiple Tests for Varied Requirements



SBS-IF Accuracy Guidelines

Laptop Load Profile

- **Typical Laptop Waveform (Current vs. Time)**



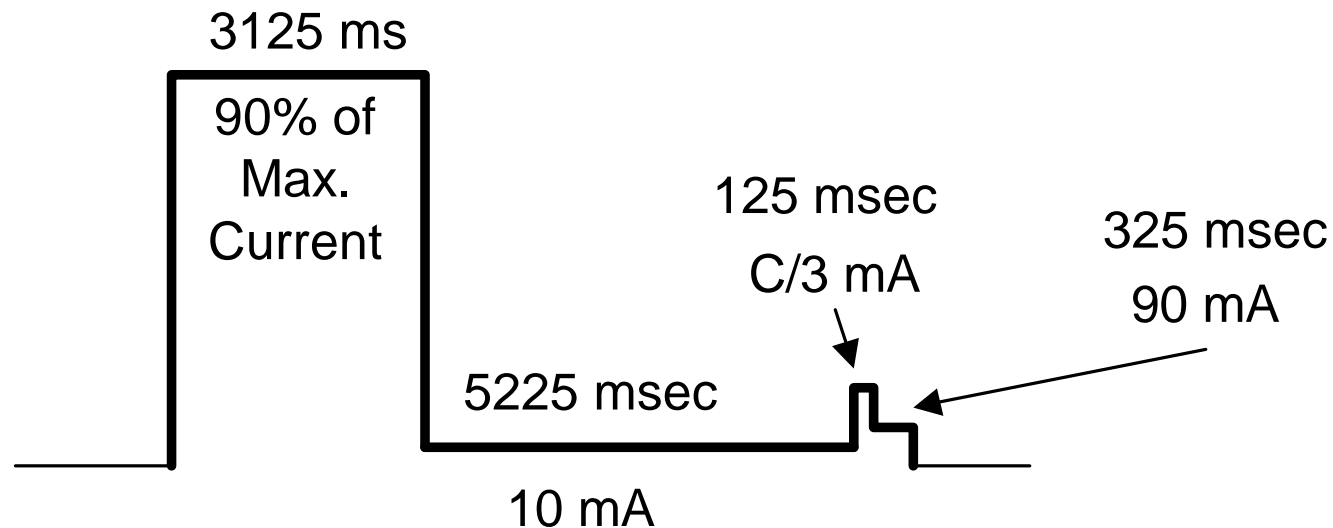
Tests Designed for Typical Applications



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Example Load Waveform

- Waveform simulates laptop discharge current



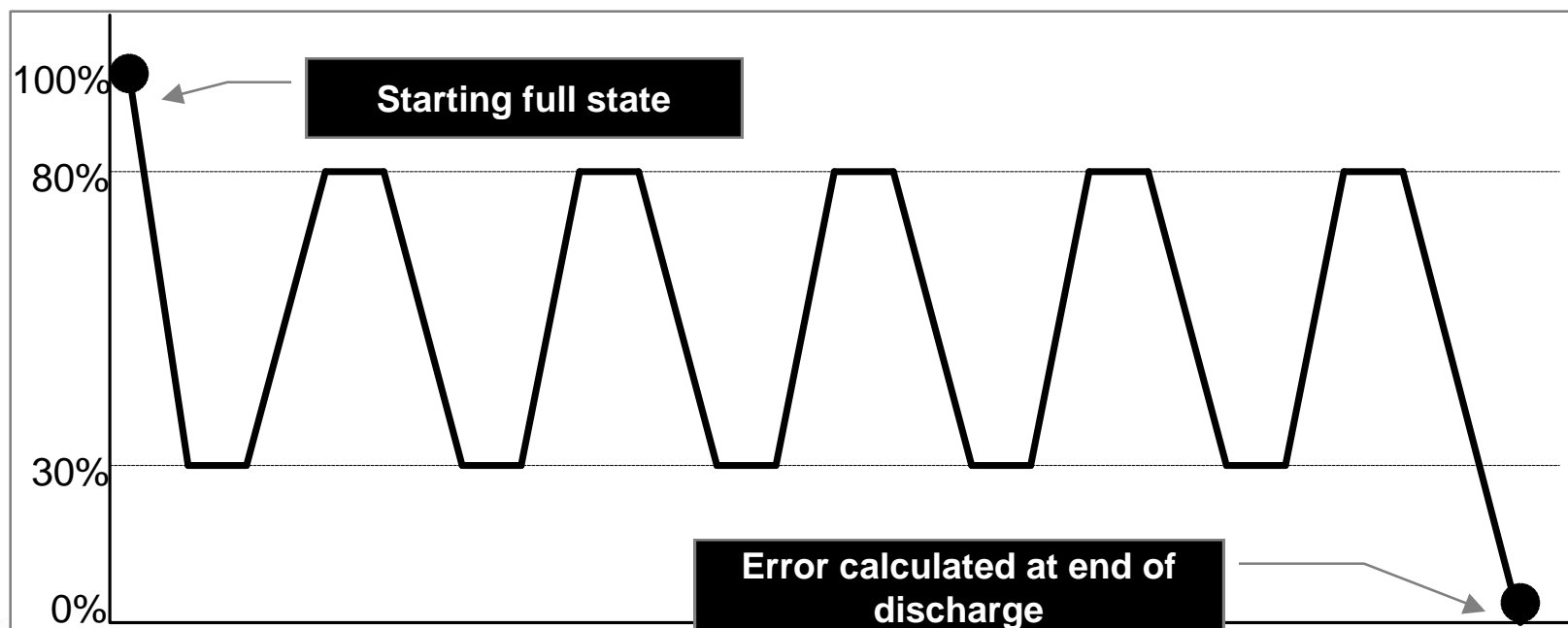
Real-World Application Tests



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Example Cycling Test

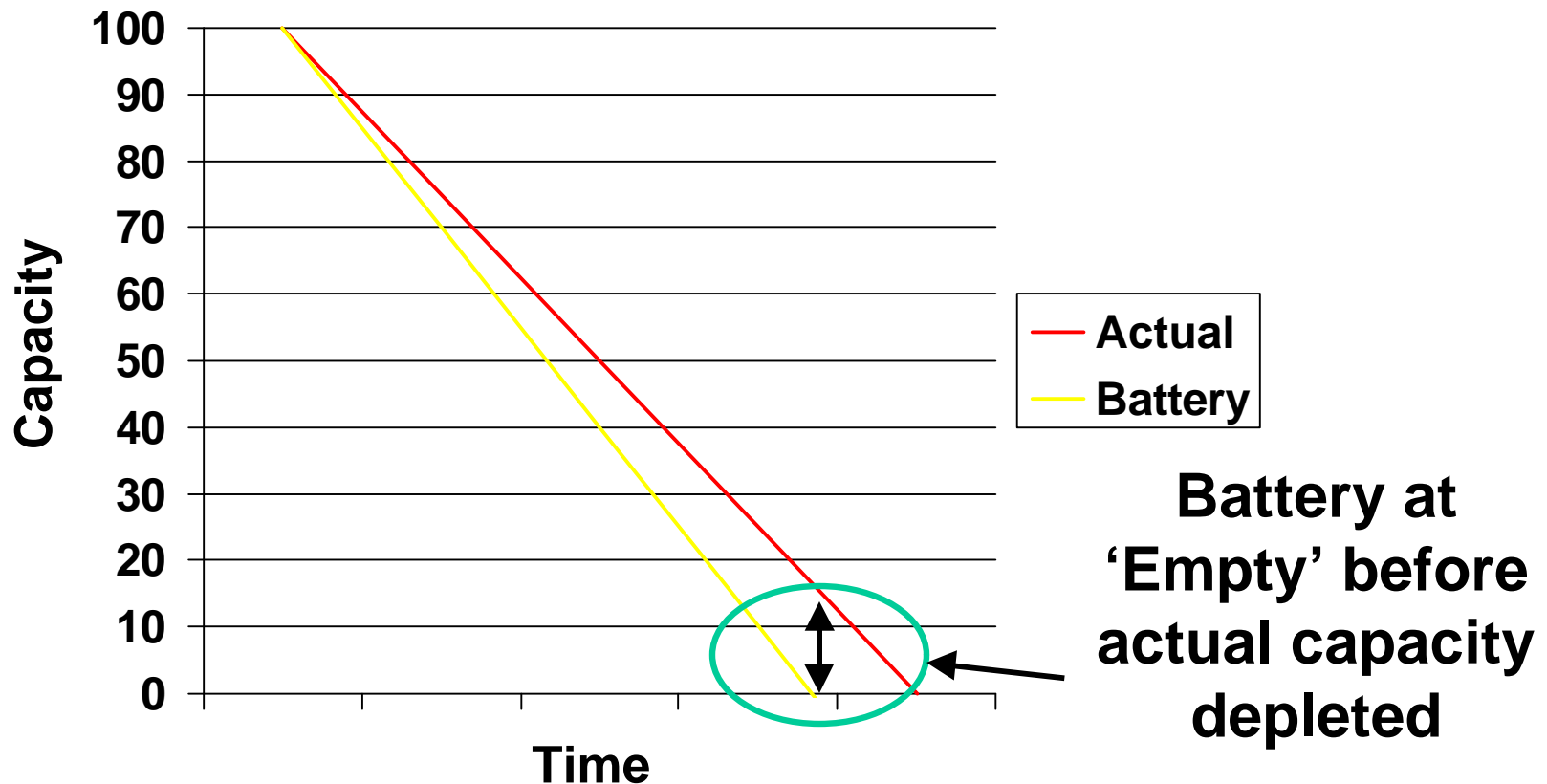
- **Simulates typical usage pattern**
 - Partial use (not full, not empty) illustrates error



Results - What Can Be Expected

Example Results

- Large 'guard-band' accuracy error example



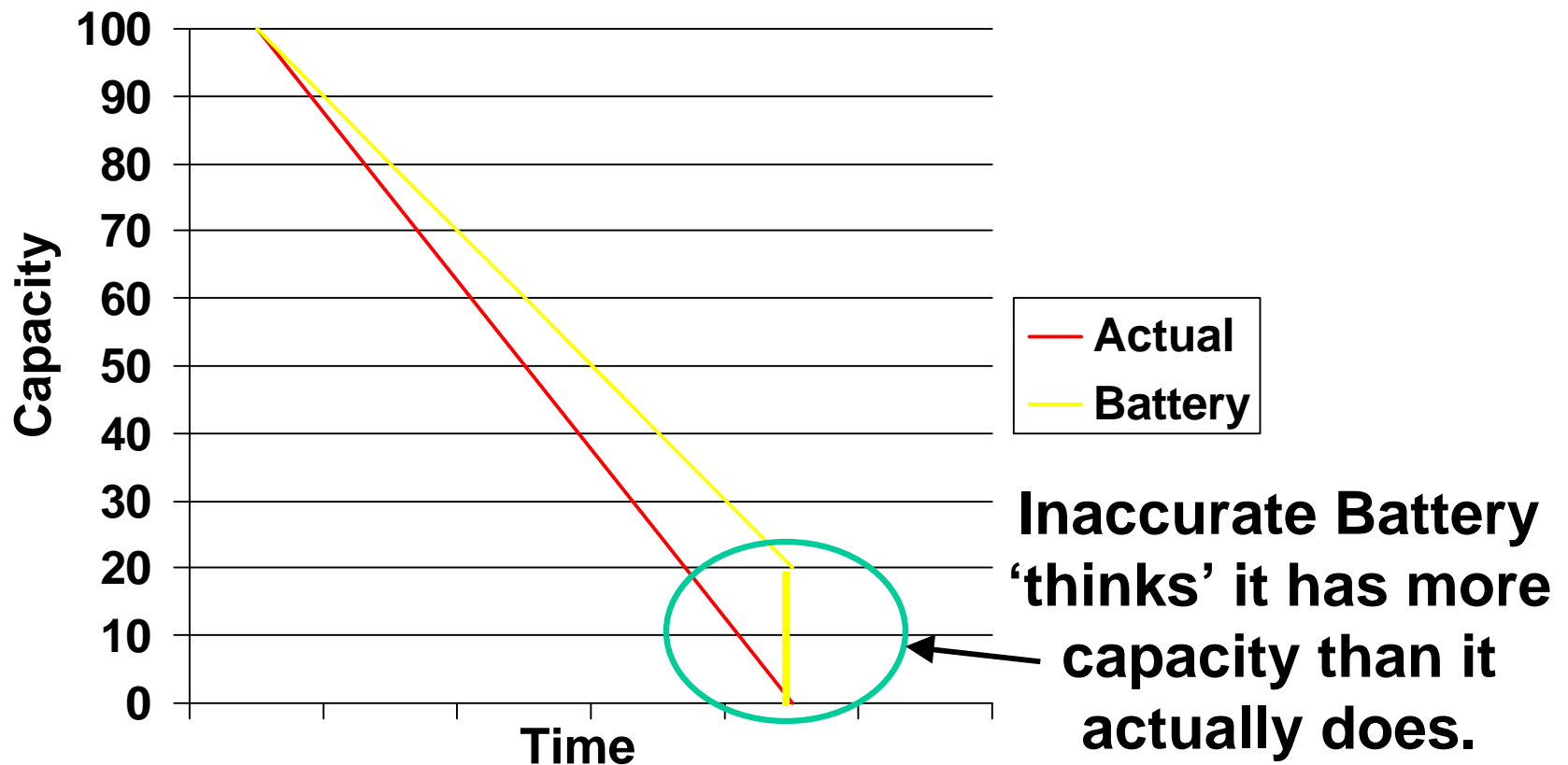
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Results - What Can Be Expected

Example Results

- Inaccuracy causes pre-mature shut-down



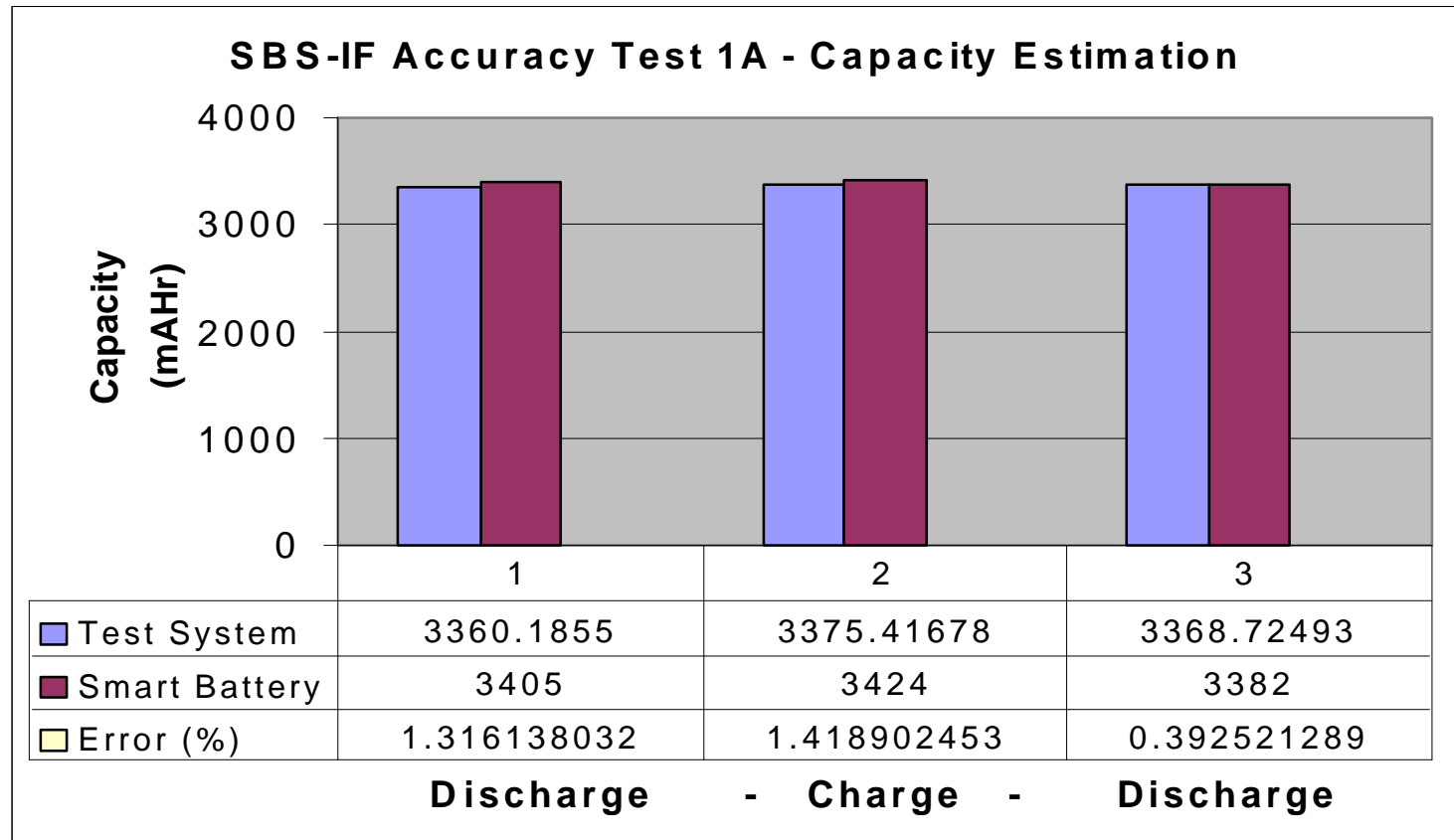
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Results - What Can be Expected

Example Results

- **Actual Results: Full Cycling Tests**



High Accuracy is Possible!

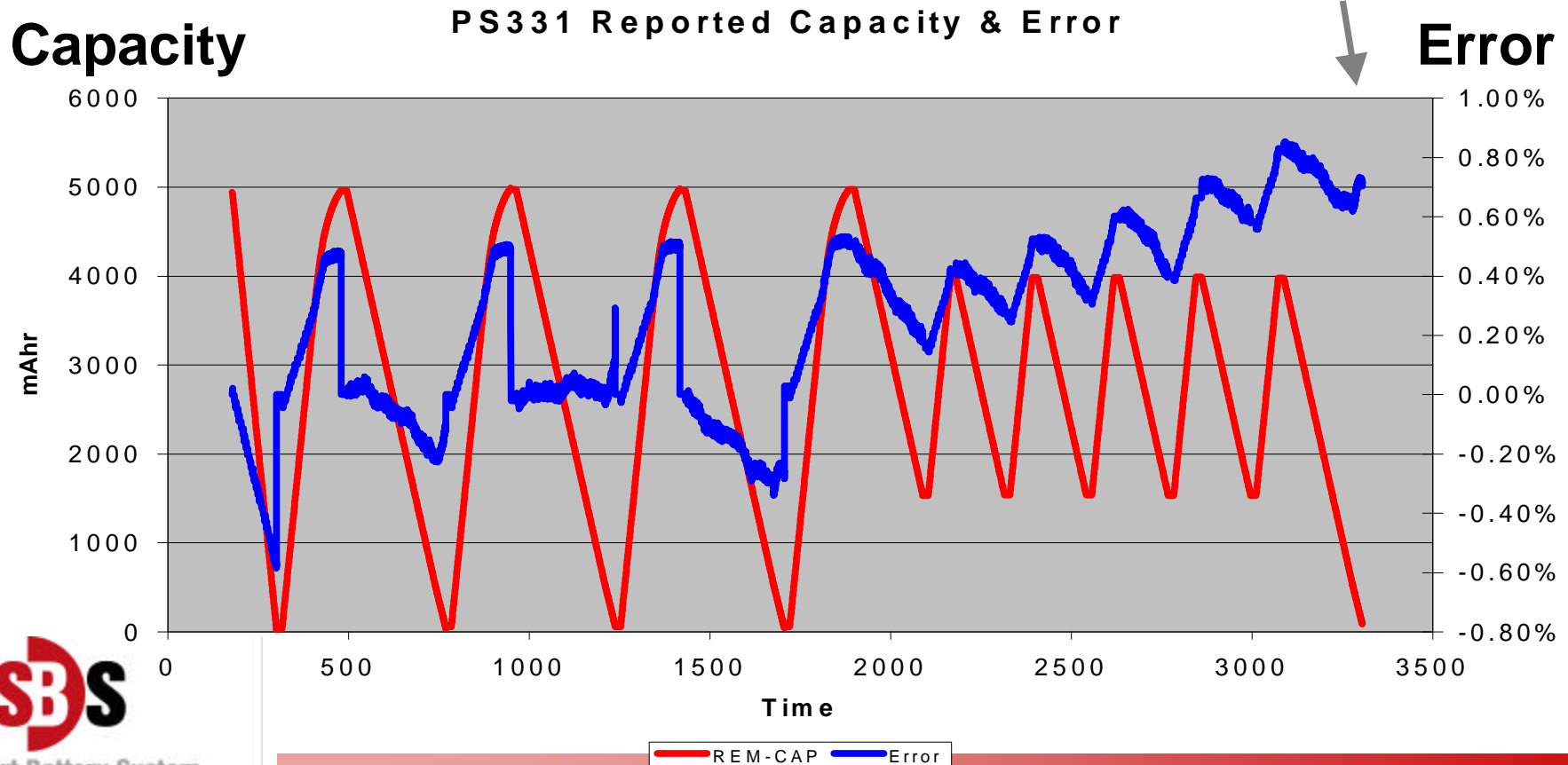


Results - What Can be Expected

Example Results

- Actual Results: Partial Cycling, Pulsed Load

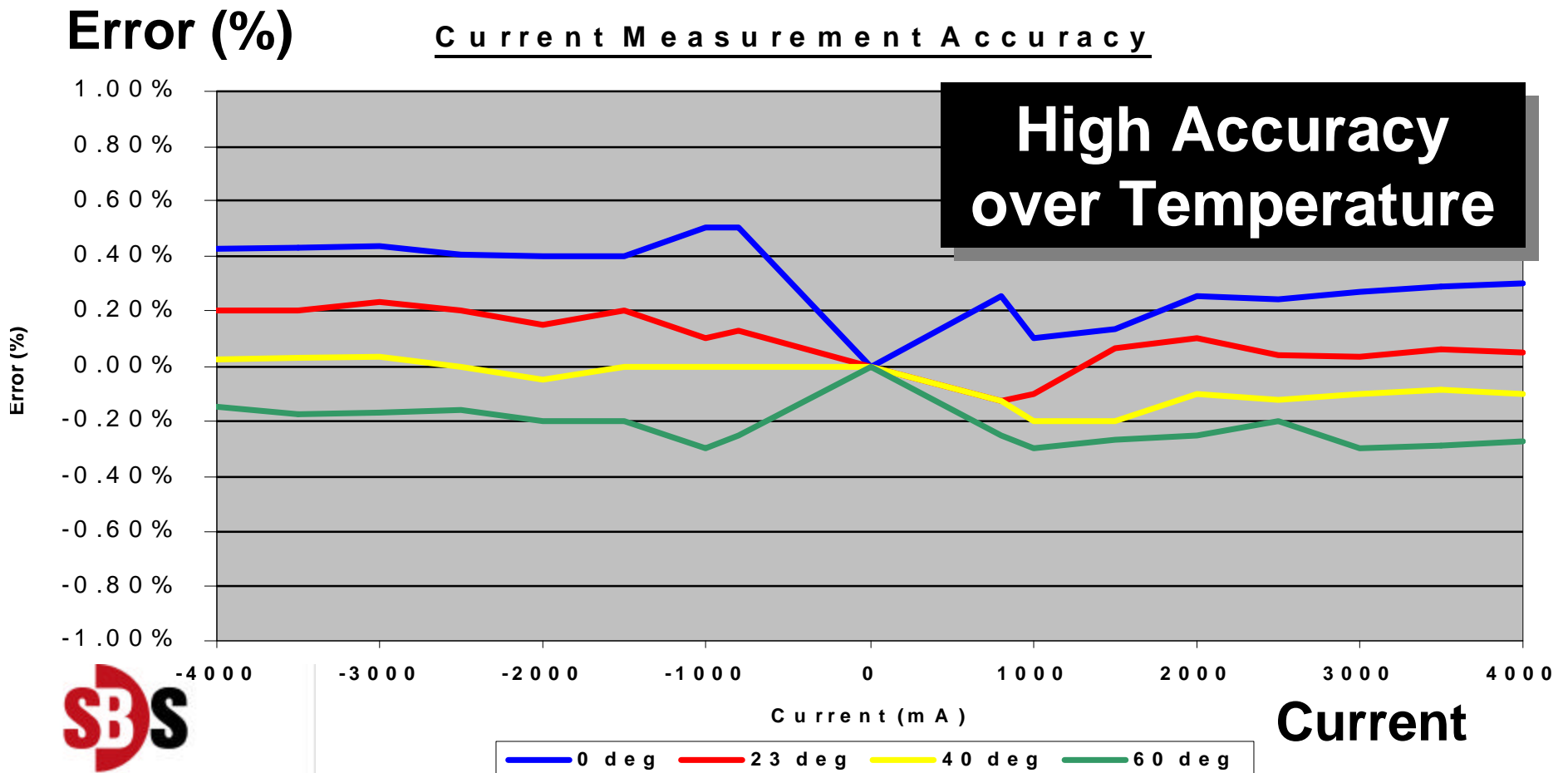
Total Error < 0.9%



Results - What Can Be Expected

Example Results

- Actual Results: Current Measurements



Summary

- SBS-IF promotes better power management
- Smart Batteries enable longer run-times
- Accurate Batteries add to safer operation
- Inaccurate Batteries may not use all capacity
- Accuracy Tests simulate real-world needs
- Testing is easy and straight-forward
- Highly accurate (1%) Smart Batteries do exist
- Ask your Smart Battery suppliers for test data

Insist on the Most Accurate Smart Batteries



For More Information...

- SBS Accuracy Guidelines available at:
 - www.sbs-if.org
 - Member Review: NOW
 - Public Release: Soon
- Join the Smart Battery System Implementers Forum (SBS-IF)
- SBS Members - Join the Battery WG
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