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Studies of Transport Processes in Li-Ion Cathodes

Abstract

Batteries are complex, with important phenomena arising from multiple length scales. Advances thus require multiscale experimental inquiries, and mathematical models, including multiscale models, may be employed to design, analyze and integrate studies. In early-stage research efforts, close collaboration with experimental efforts may result both in dramatically improved model fidelity and in more optimal utilization of experimental resources. We present approaches to augment physics-based models of Li-ion cathodes with statistical methodologies. Several examples are illustrated.

Bio

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