



APPLICATION OF FIRST PRINCIPLES MODEL TO
SPACECRAFT OPERATIONS



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OUTLINE

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REVIEW OF BI-PHASIC NICKEL ELECTRODE

EFFECTS OF AGING ON HYDROGEN" PRESSURES

EFFECTS OF NICKEL ELECTRODE AGING

EFFECTS OF CADMIUM ELECTRODE AGING

SUMMARY





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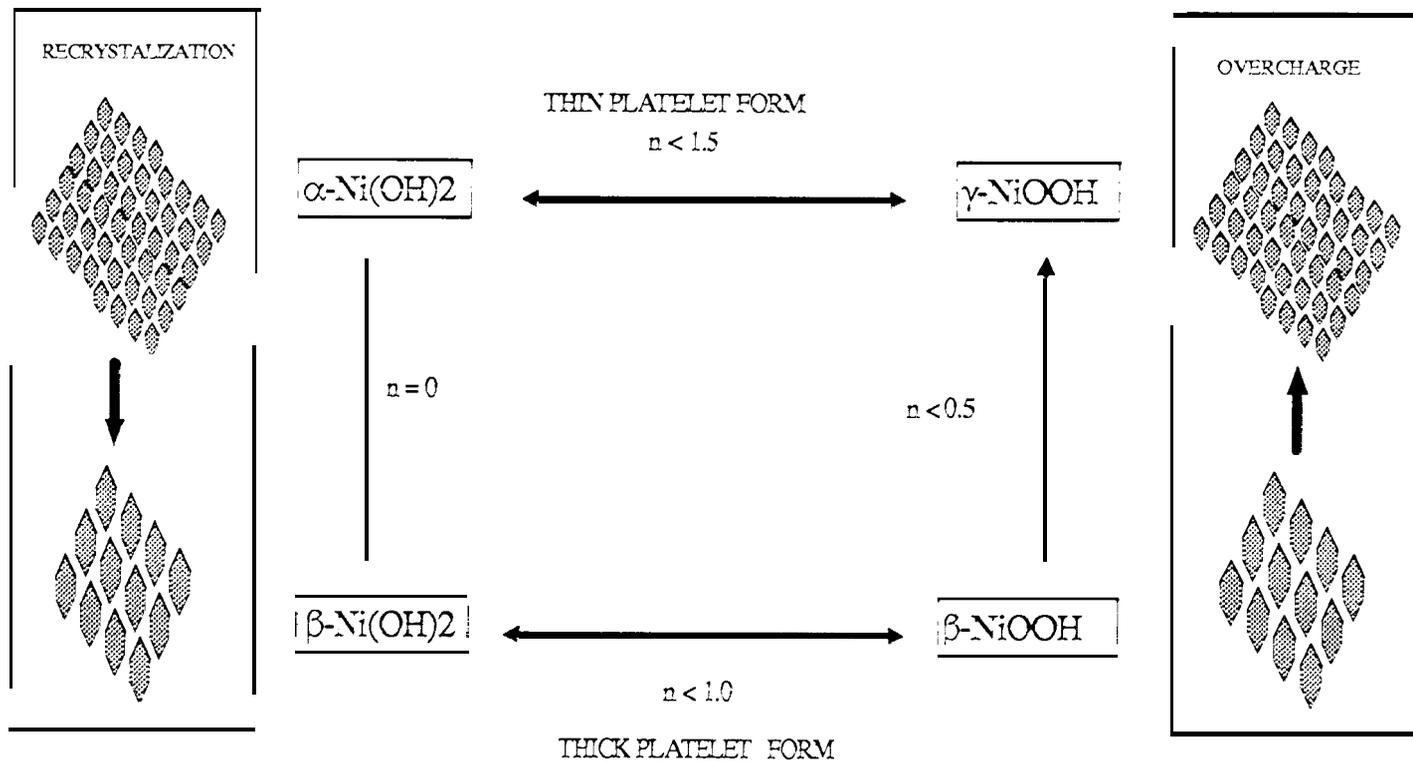
PREVIOUS MODELS USE A SINGLE PHASE REACTION
CYCLED CELL PREDICTS CANNOT BE MET WITH A SINGLE PHASE
INTERPHASE CONVERSION PROVIDES MEANS FOR FILM AGING
AGING CELLS PREDICTIONS DISPLAY TYPICAL BEHAVIORS
PRESSURE CHANGES IN NiH_2 CELLS
VOLTAGE FADING UPON CYCLING
SECOND PLATEAU ON DISCHARGE OF CYCLED CELLS
NEGATIVE LIMITED BEHAVIOR FOR Ni-Cd's



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NICKEL ELECTRODE REACTION SCHEME

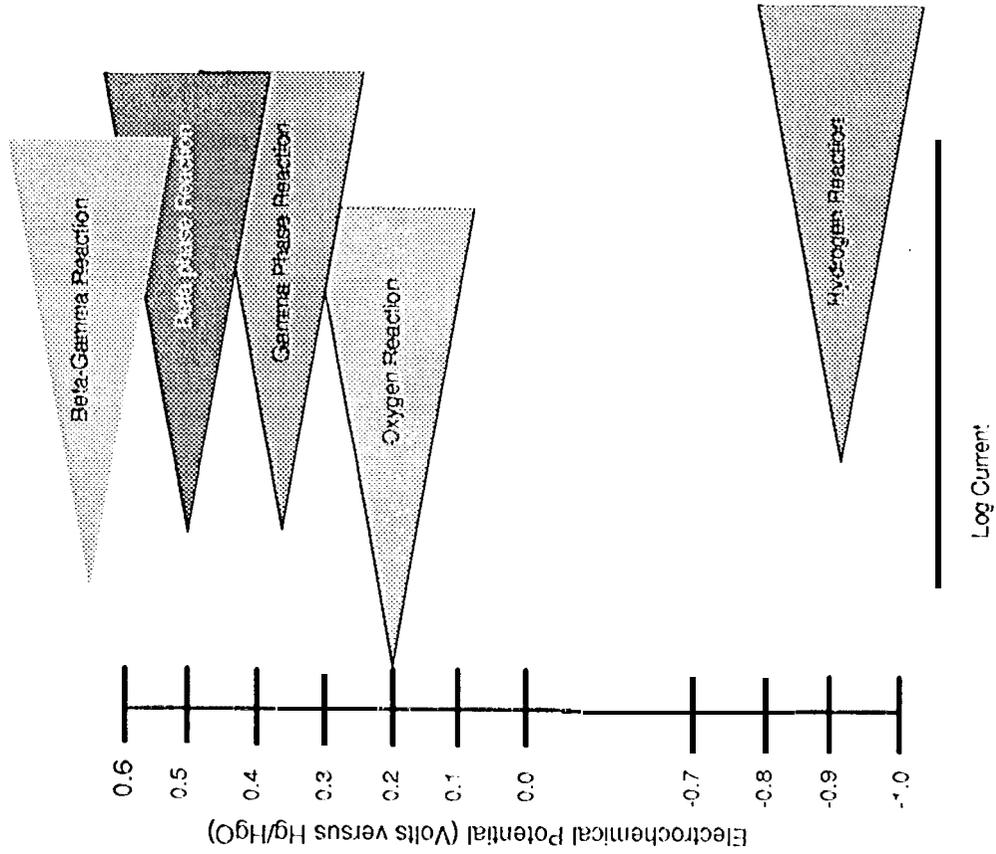




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POTENTIAL SCALE FOR NICKEL ELECTRODE MODEL





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PRESSURE CHANGES IN Ni-H₂ CELLS

**PRESSURE INCREASE ON CYCLING ATTRIBUTED TO NICKEL SINTER CORROSION
CHANGES IN PRECHARGE DURING STORAGE HAVE BEEN UNEXPLAINED
CONTROL OF PRECHARGE IS IMPORTANT TO REDUCING CAPACITY LOSSES
DIFFERENT AMOUNTS OF HYDROGEN ARE STORED WITH THE VARIOUS PHASES
CYCLING CAUSES AN INCREASED GAMMA PHASE - HIGHER OXIDATION STATES
HIGHER Ni OXIDATION STATE-S CAUSE Ni(OH)₂ TO GIVE UP H₂ INTO CELL
THEREFORE ACCUMULATION OF GAMMA MUST INCREASE H₂ PRESSURE
LIKEWISE OVERCHARGE OR STAND CAN CHANGE H₂ PRECHARGE**



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PRESSURE CHANGES DUE TO PHASE CHANGES

ASSUMING:

1 Liter Void Volume

50 AH Cell

1.0 e-/ Ni Change at BOL

Increase 0.5 e-/ Ni at EOL

25 Degrees Celsius

CALCULATIONS:

53.6 AH= 2 Farads

For a Change of OS e⁻

1 Equiv. H⁺ is produced

= 0.5 Equiv H₂,

= 11 Atm., 160 psi



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STUDIES OF NEGATIVE LIMITED Ni-Cd CELLS

CAUSES

INCREASED POSITIVE ELECTRODE CAPACITY

CADMIUM ELECTRODE FADING

CHANGES IN THE PRECHARGE LEVEL

EFFECTS

HIGHER CELL POTENTIALS

REDUCED CHARGE CURRENTS

REDUCED CHARGE EFFICIENCY

REDUCED STATE-OF-CHARGE

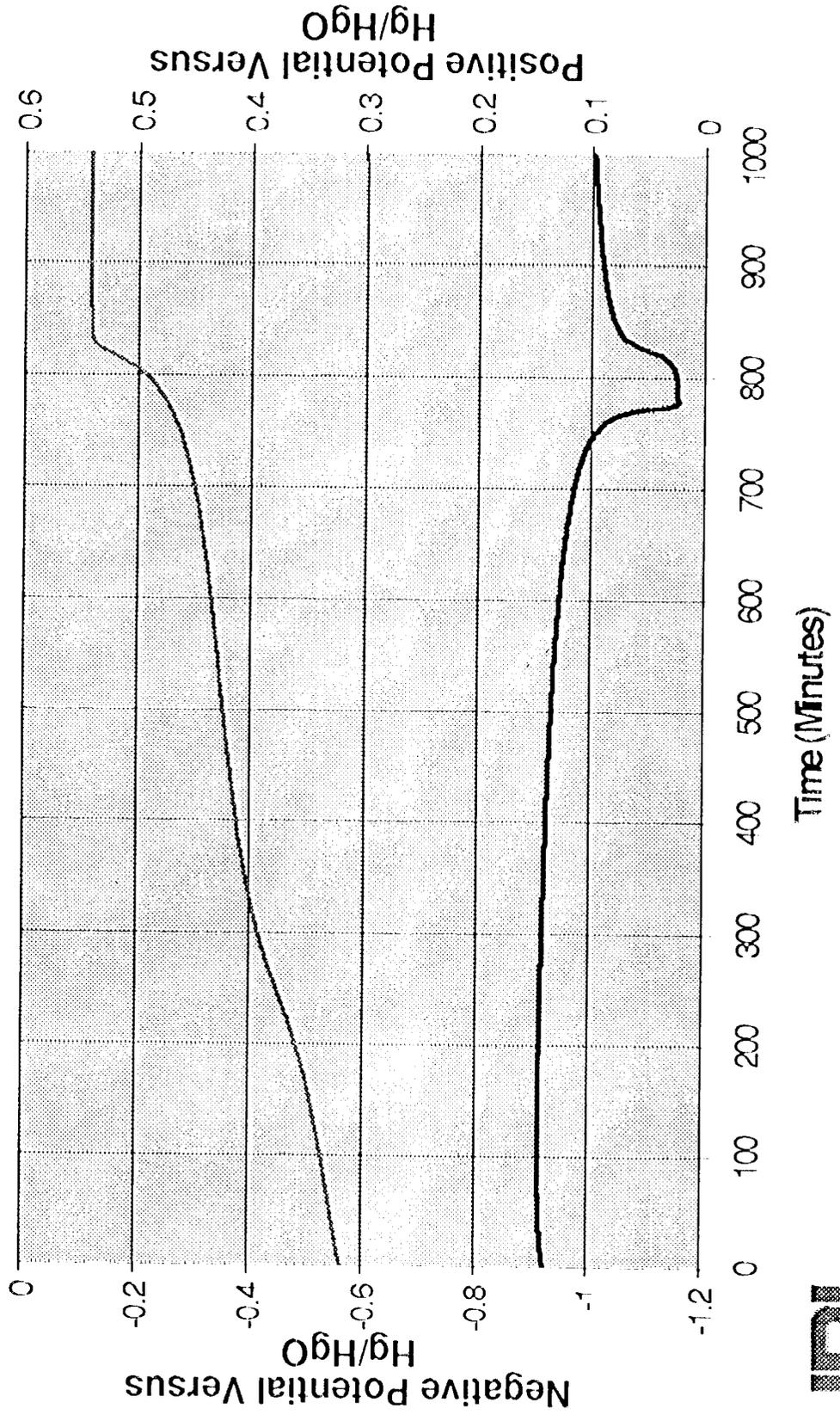
DIVERGENCE OF SOC AND VOLTAGE IN BATTERY PACKS





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ELECTRODE POTENTIALS FOR NEGATIVE LIMITED CELL

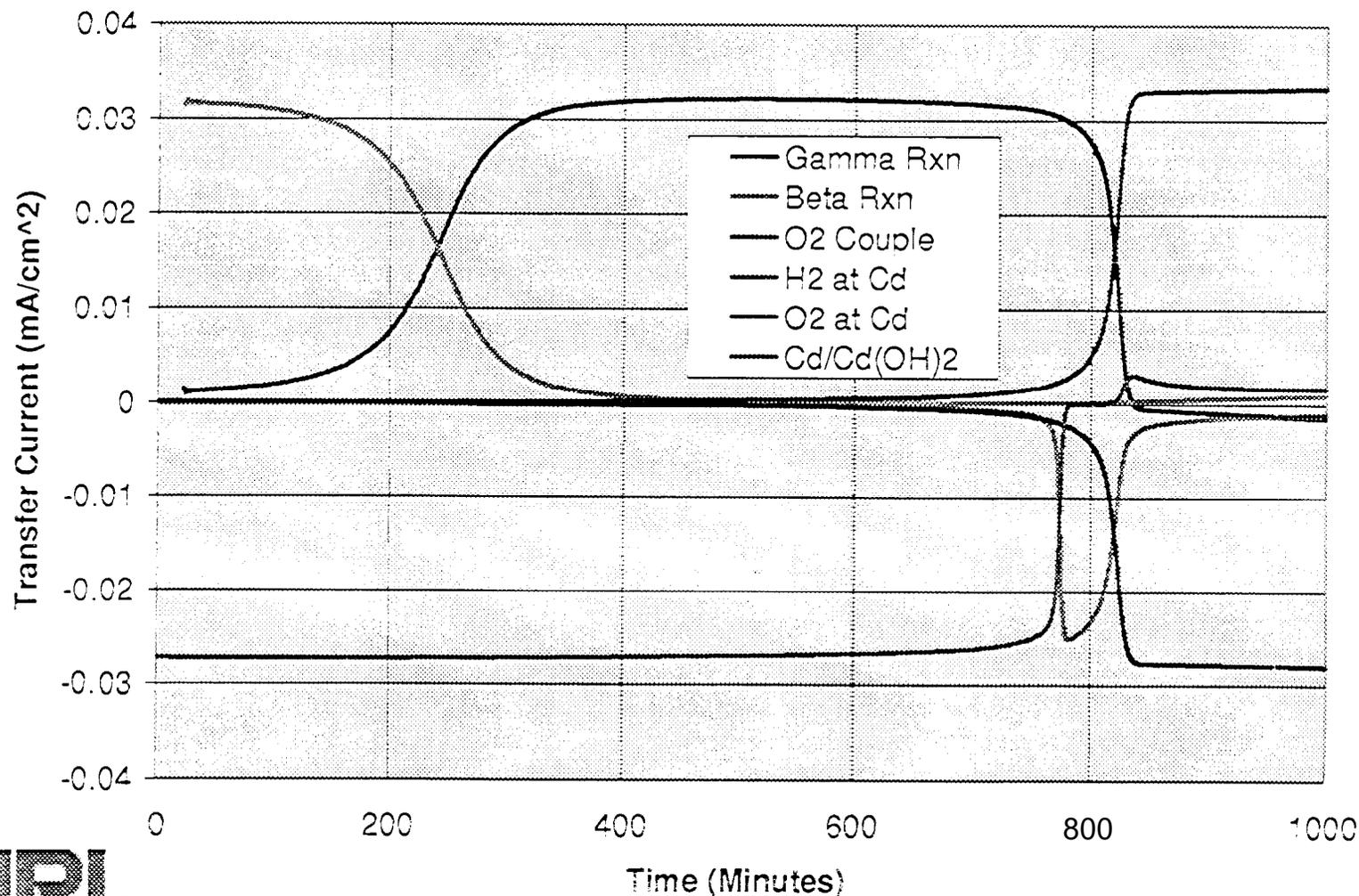




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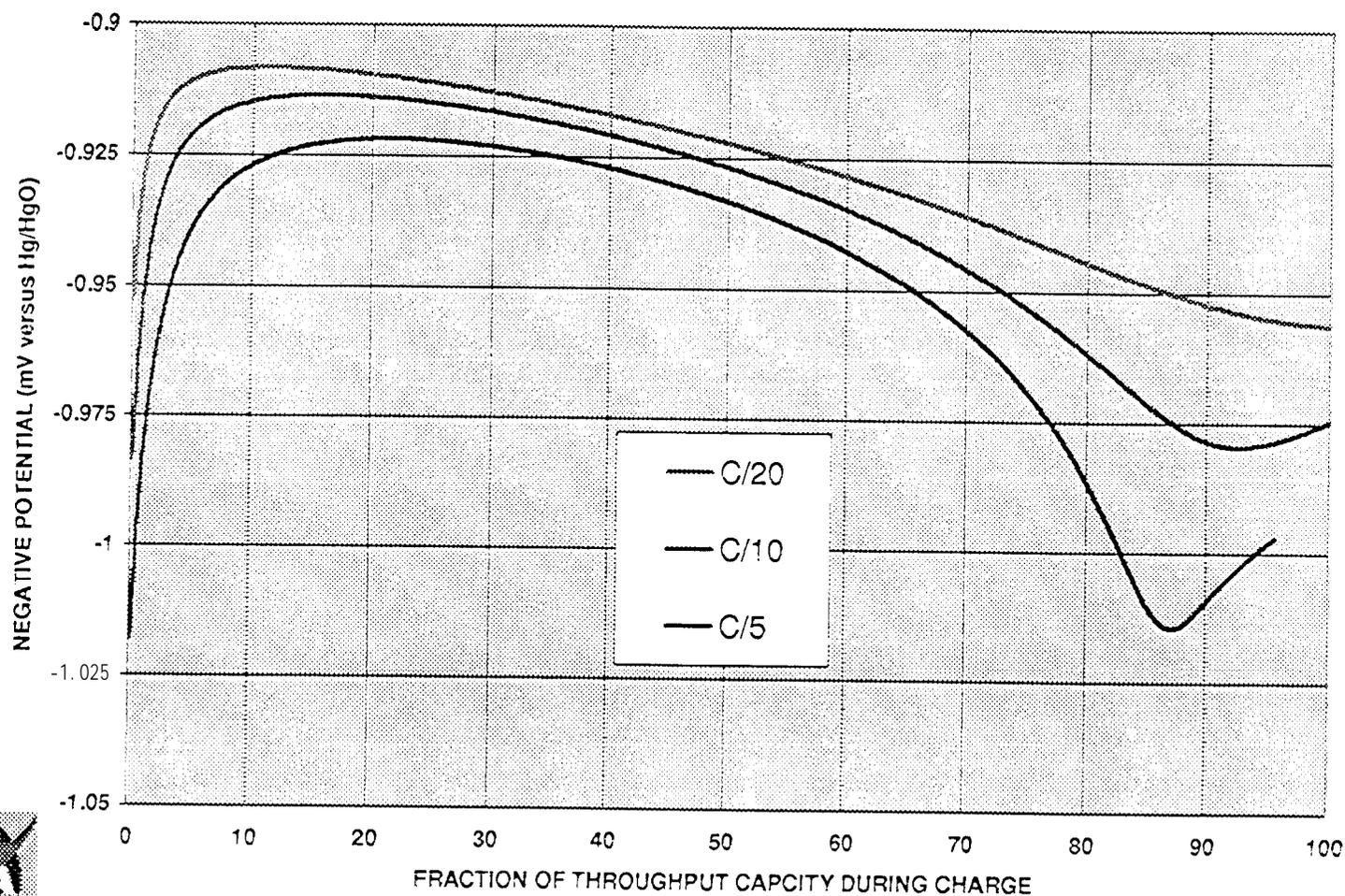


REACTION RATES FOR NEGATIVE LIMITED CELL ON CHARGE



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EFFECT OF CHARGE RATE ON NEGATIVE LIMITED CASE





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EFFECT OF NEGATIVE LIMITED LEO CYCLING

REGIME SELECTED TO SHOW THE EFFECT OF NEGATIVE LIMITED CELLS
SELECTED BASED ON RESULTS OF MPS TESTBED / TAGUCHI ANALYSIS

HIGH CHARGE RATE

HIGH VT LEVEL

90 MINUTE ORBIT

LOW DOD, 10 MINUTE DISCHARGE DURATION

AMOUNT OF PRECHARGE IS VARIED AT THREE LEVELS

SOC'S, POTENTIALS, CURRENTS, REACTION RATES WERE PREDICTED

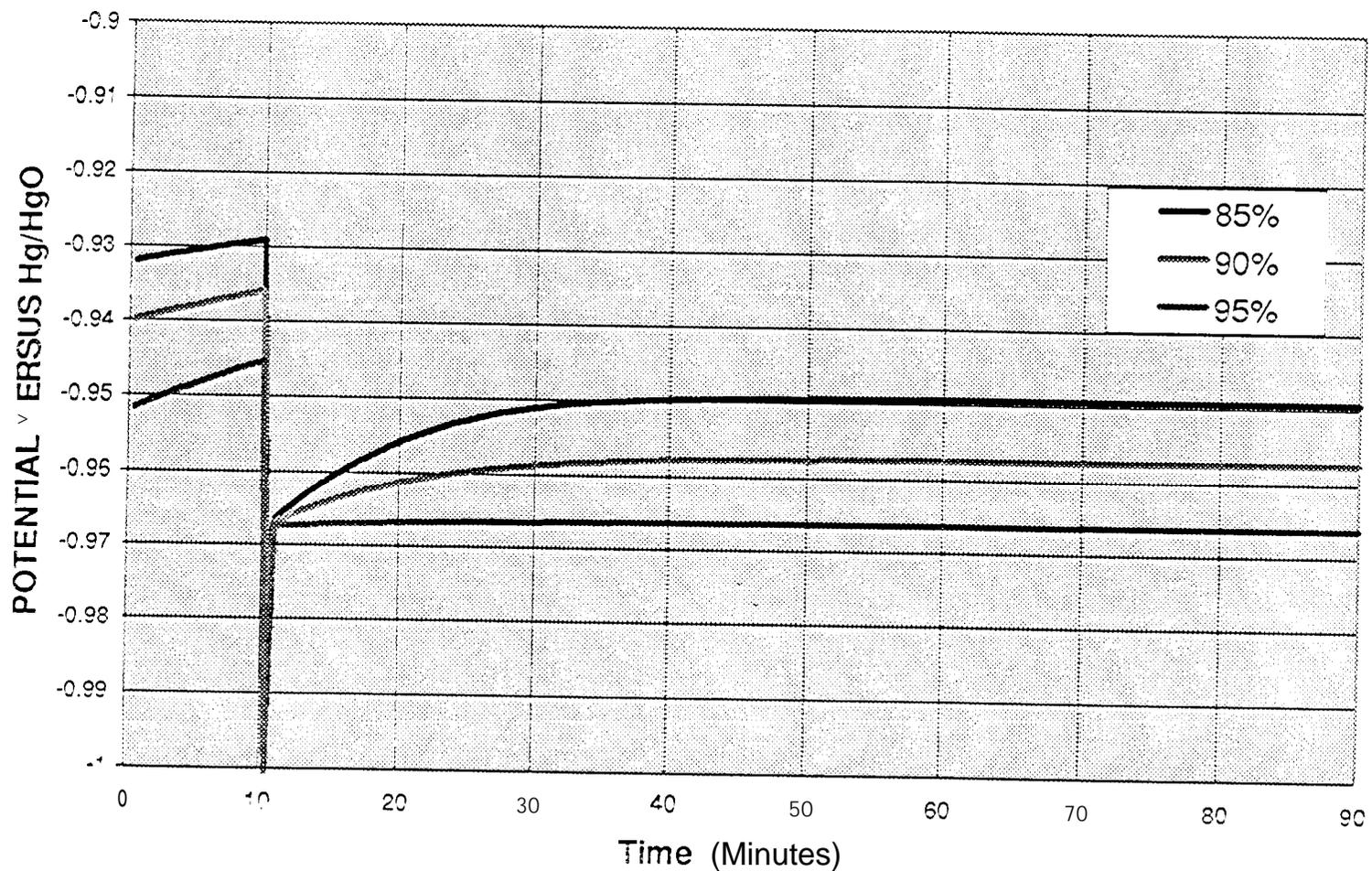




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NEGATIVE ELECTRODE POTENTIALS FOR VARIOUS INITIAL SOC'S

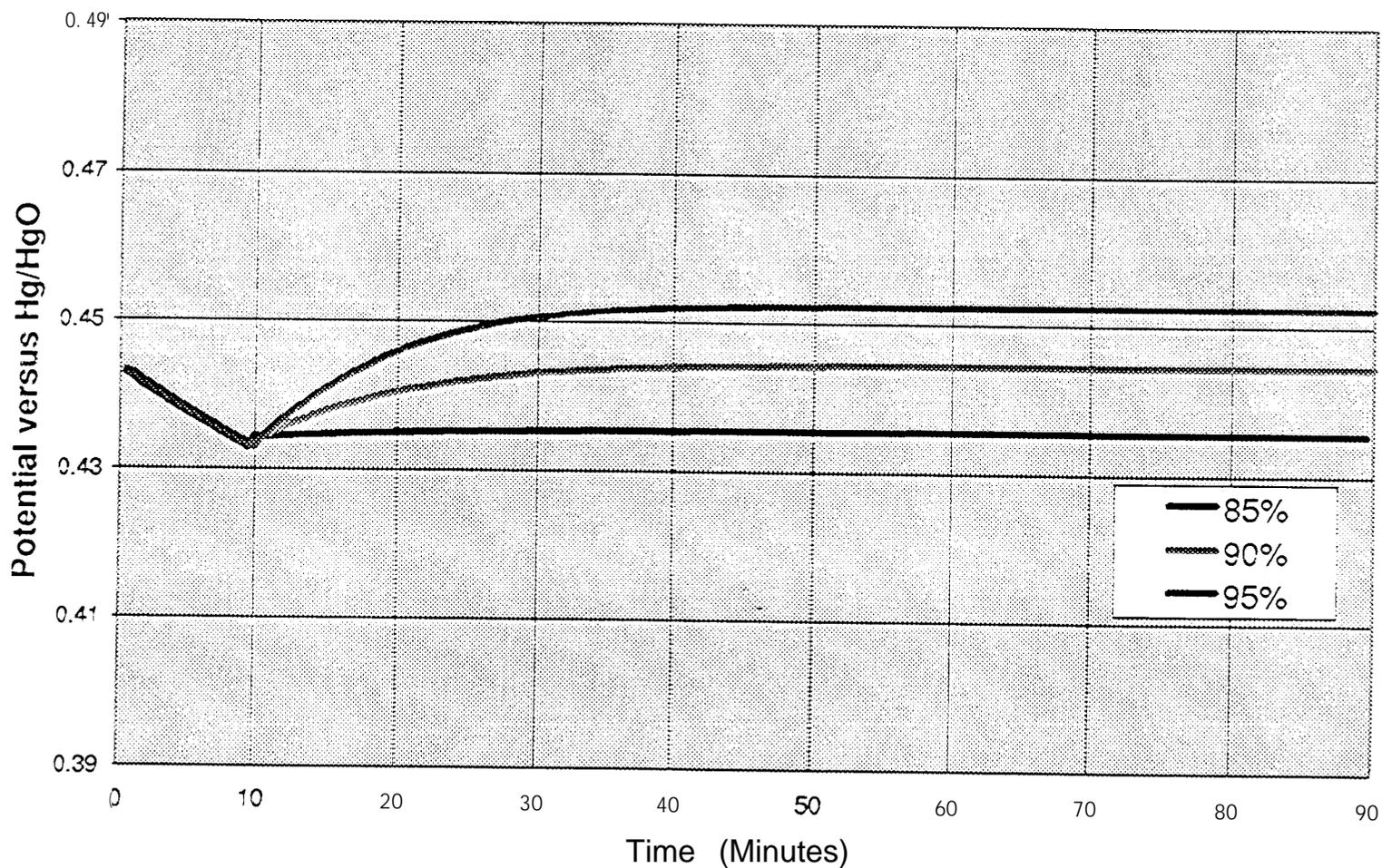




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POSITIVE ELECTRODE POTENTIALS FOR VARIOUS INITIAL Cd SOC's

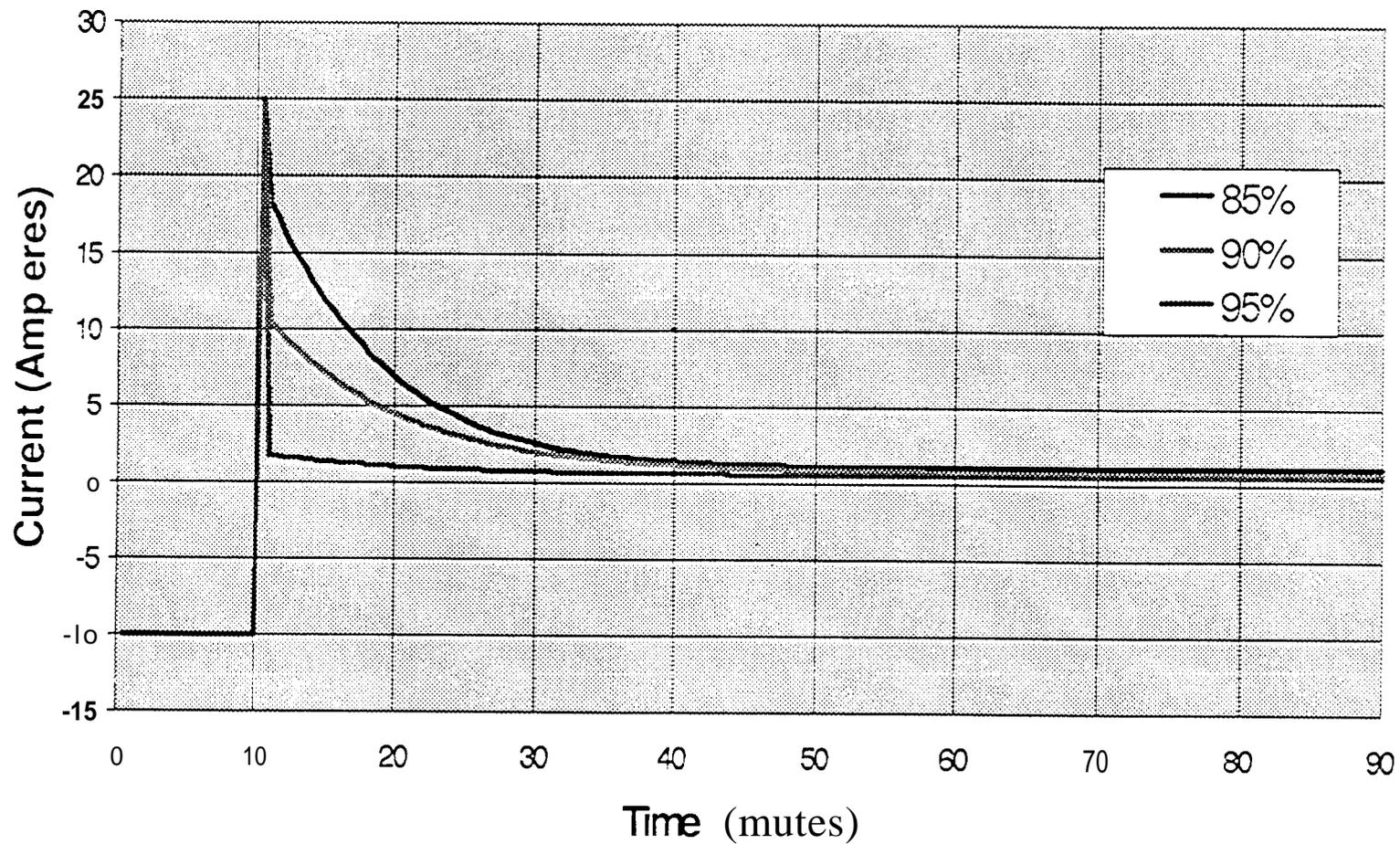




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CURRENTS FOR VARIOUS INITIAL SOC'S OF Cd ELECTRODE

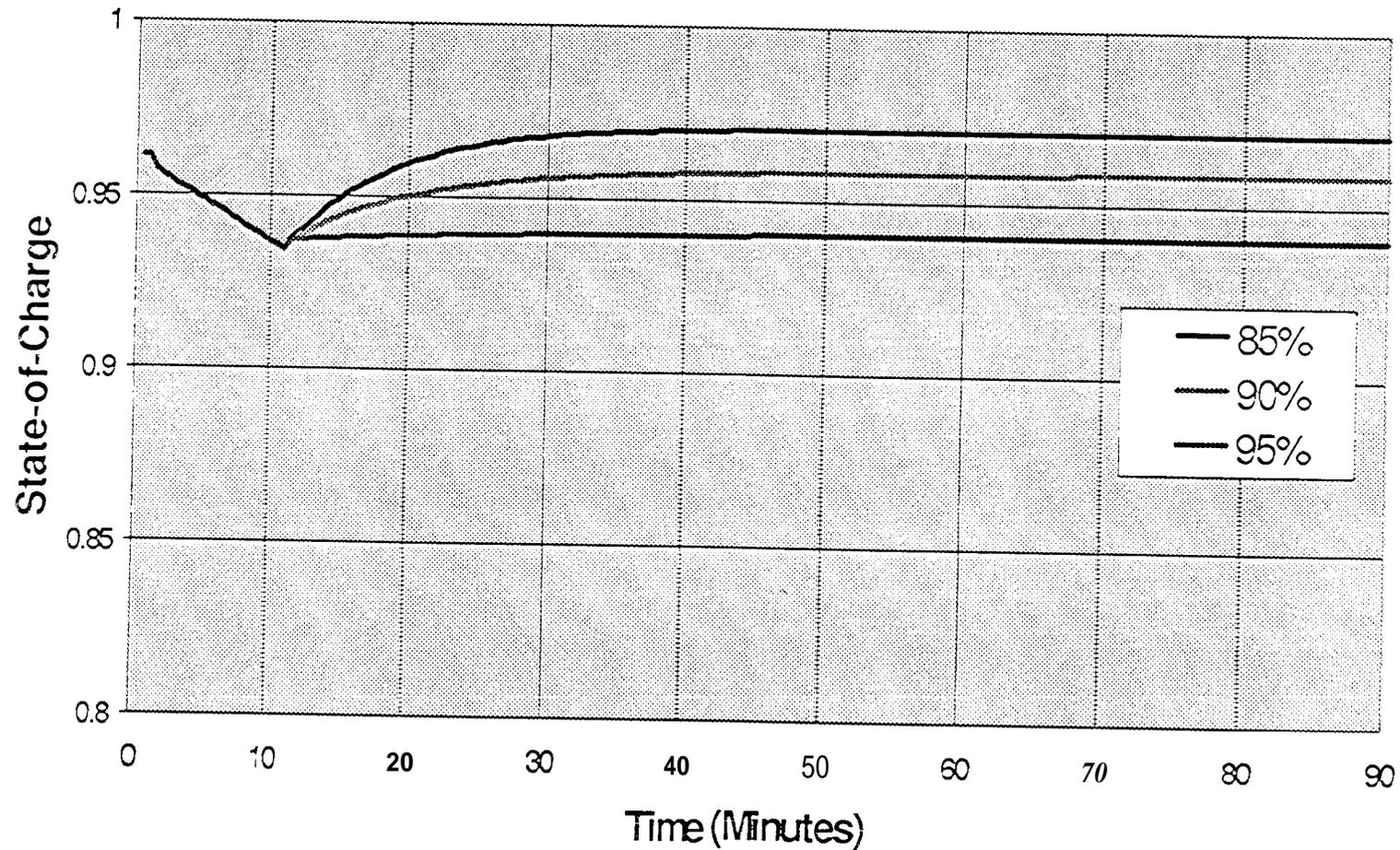




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POSITIVE ELECTRODE SOC'S FOR VARIOUS INITIAL Cd SOC'S





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NICKEL ELECTRODE FADING STUDIES

BASED ON INTERPHASE CONVERSION
AND CHANGES IN MORPHOLOGY / CONDUCTION
TOPEX 40% OF CRANE LIFE TEST DATA USED FOR COMPARISON
ONLY POSITIVE ELECTRODE CHANGED IN THIS SECTION
SIMULATION OF VOLTAGE FADING OVER LIFE ACHIEVED
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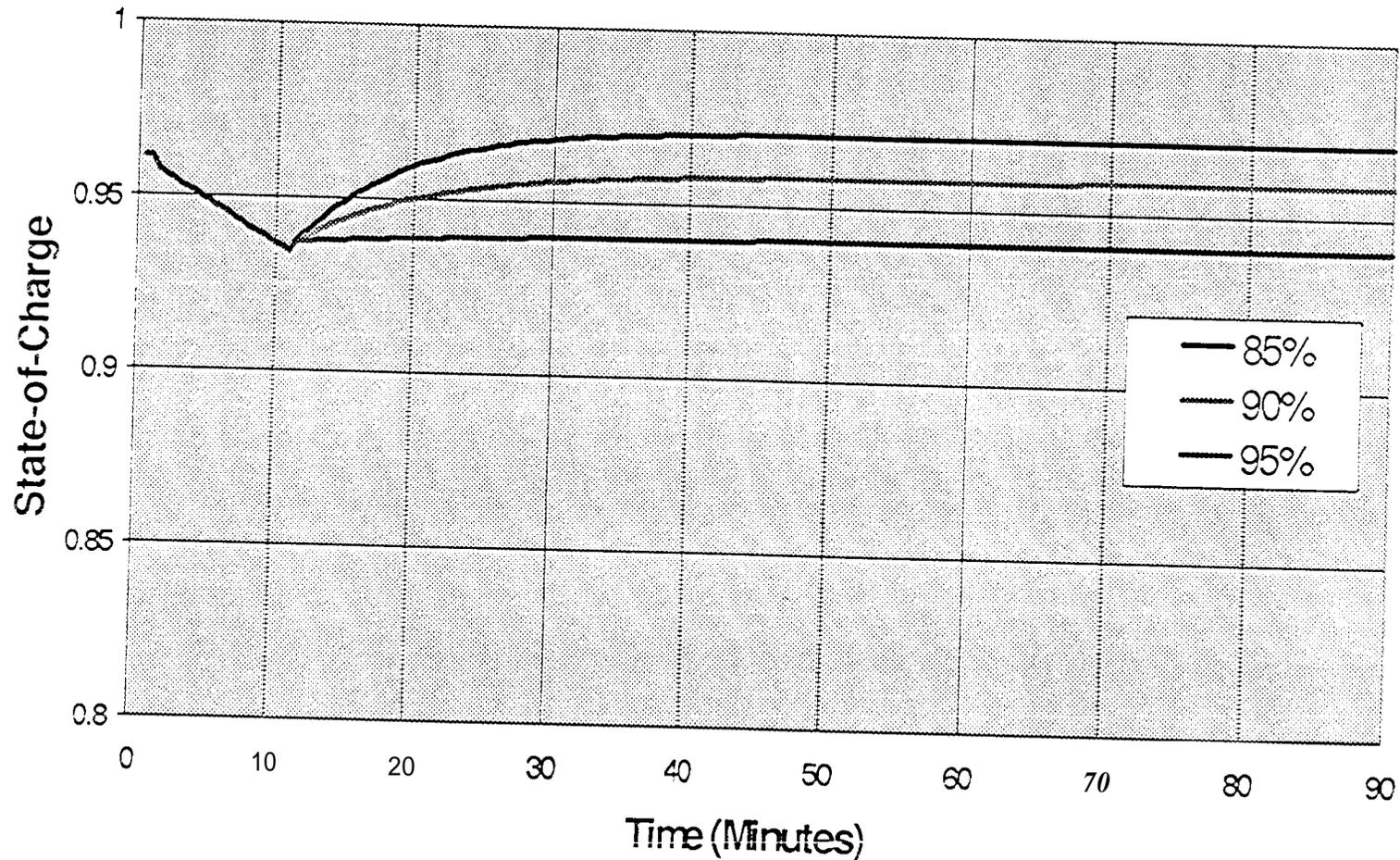




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POSITIVE ELECTRODE SOC's FOR VARIOUS INITIAL Cd SOC's





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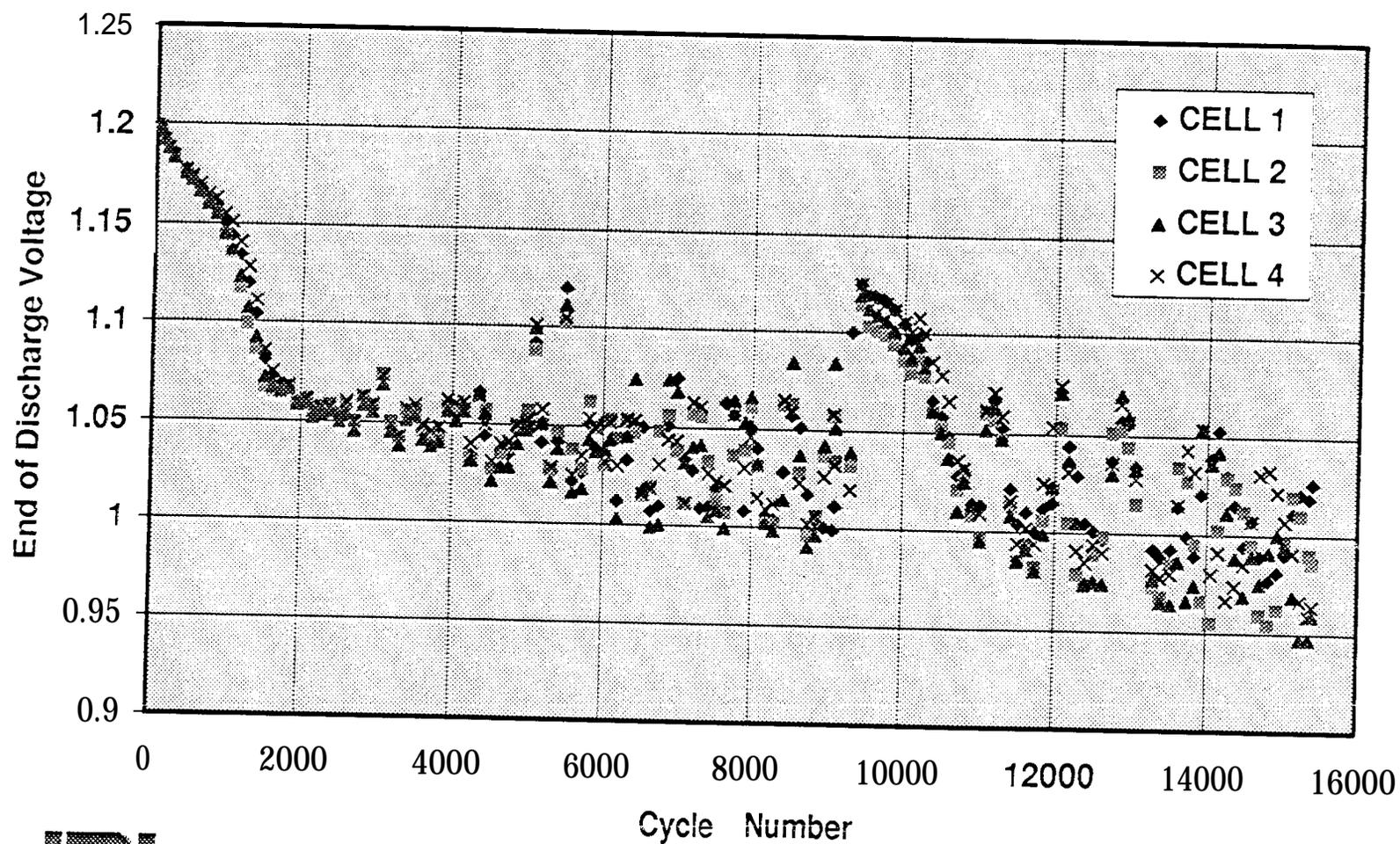




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TOPEX NWSC Crane 40% DOD/ 20°C Life Test

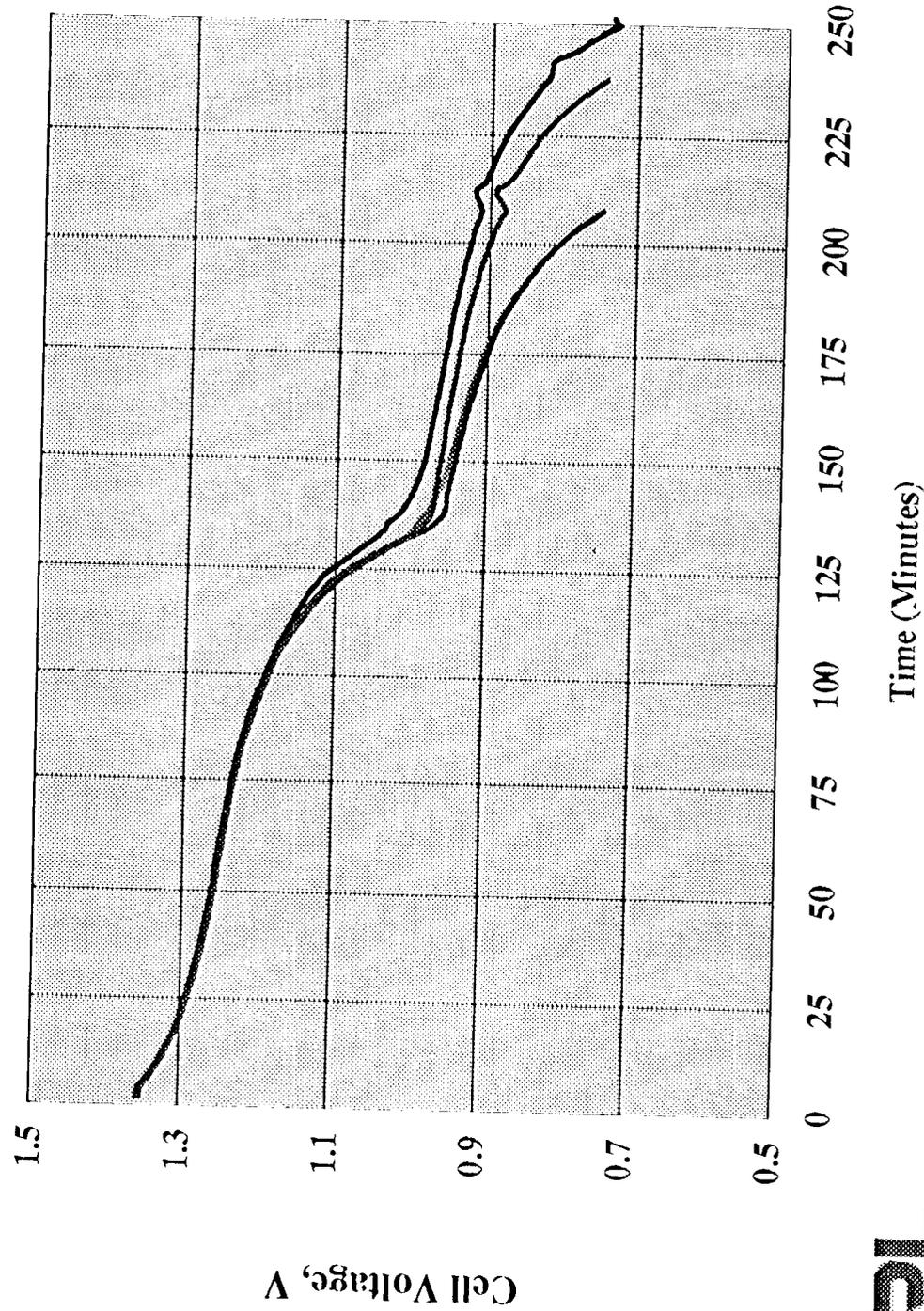




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Post Life Test Discharge: Crane Topex Test

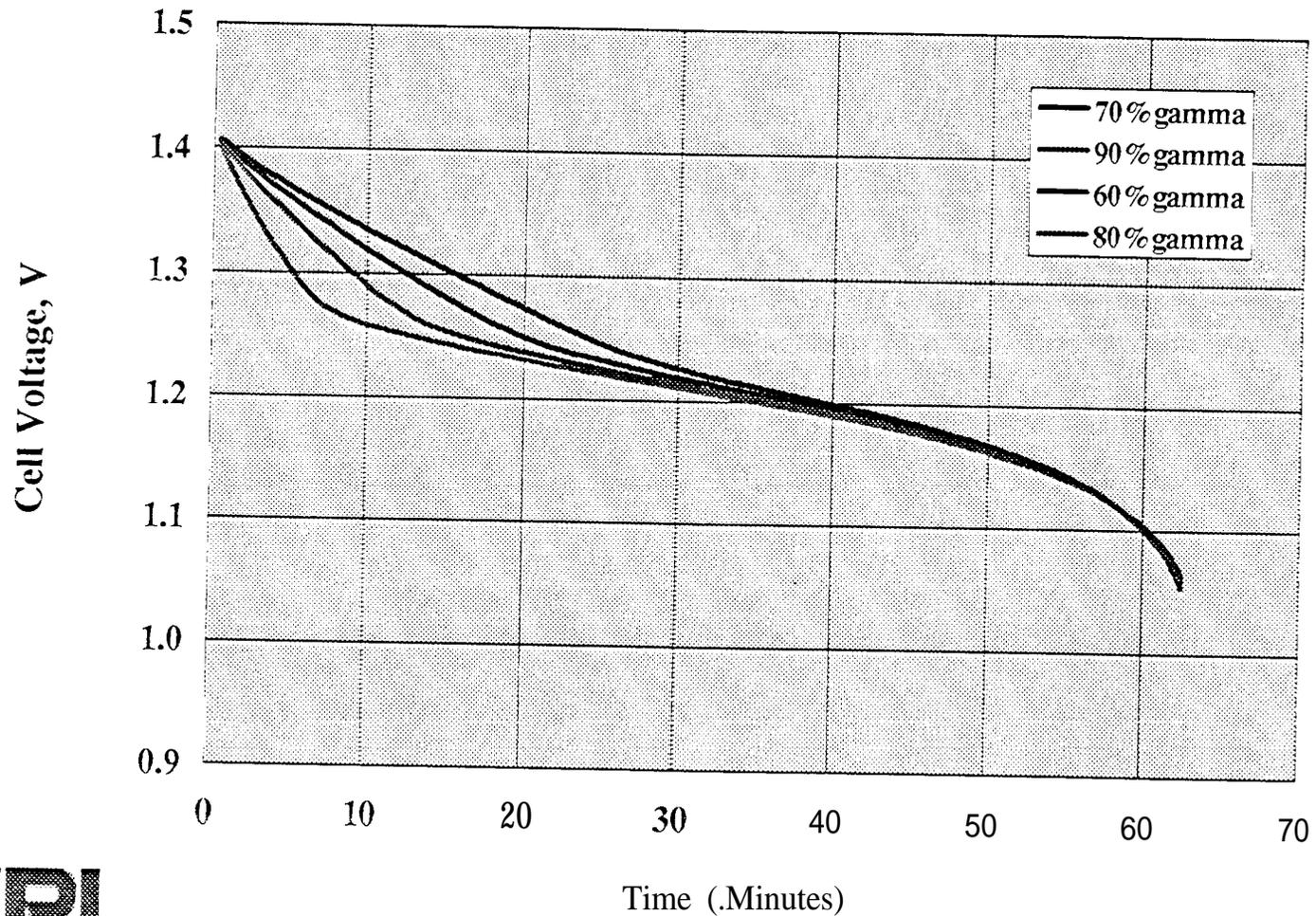




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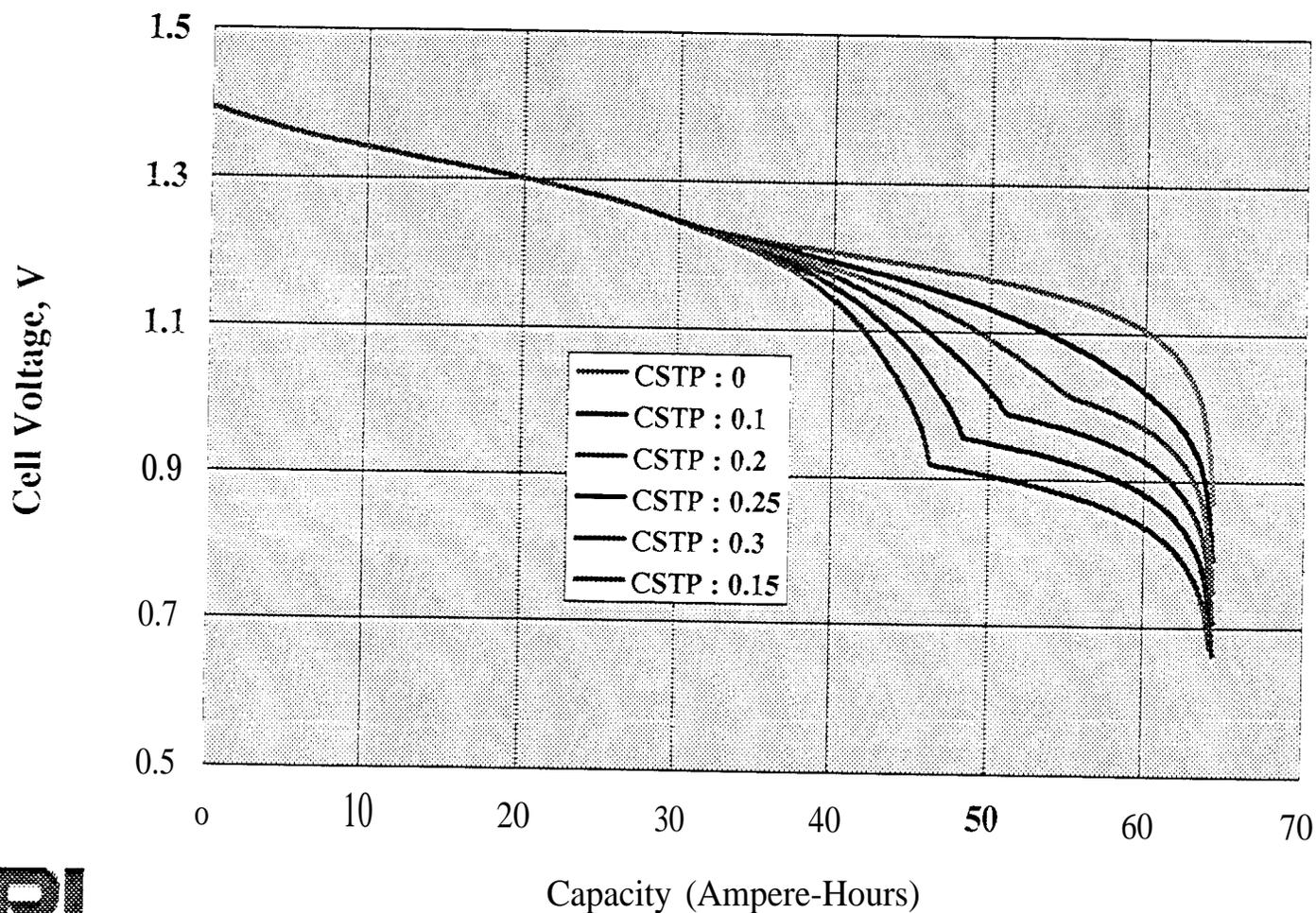




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Effect of Conductivity Mixing Parameter (cstp)

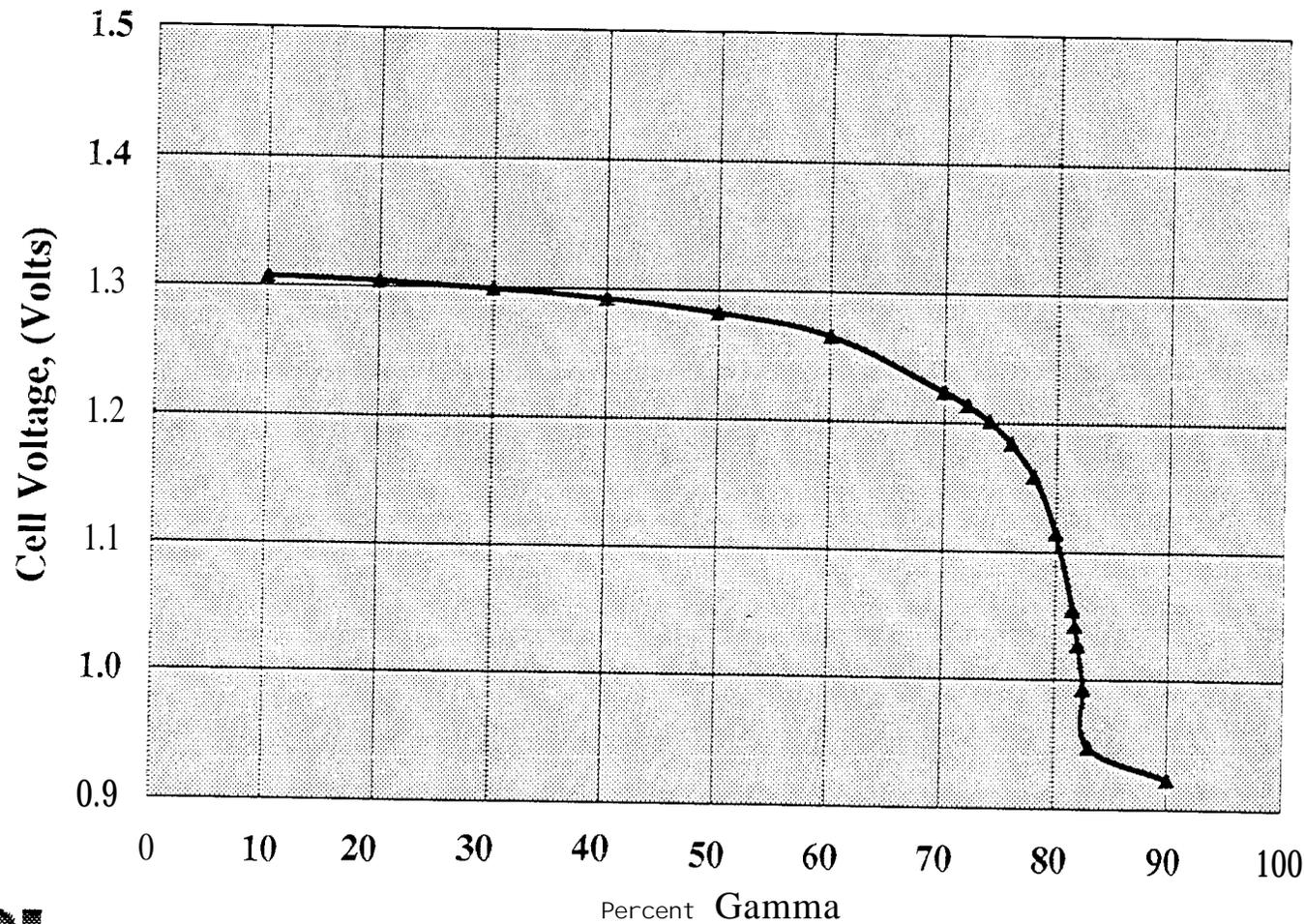




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Effect of Gamma Fraction on 40 % DOD LEO EON Voltage

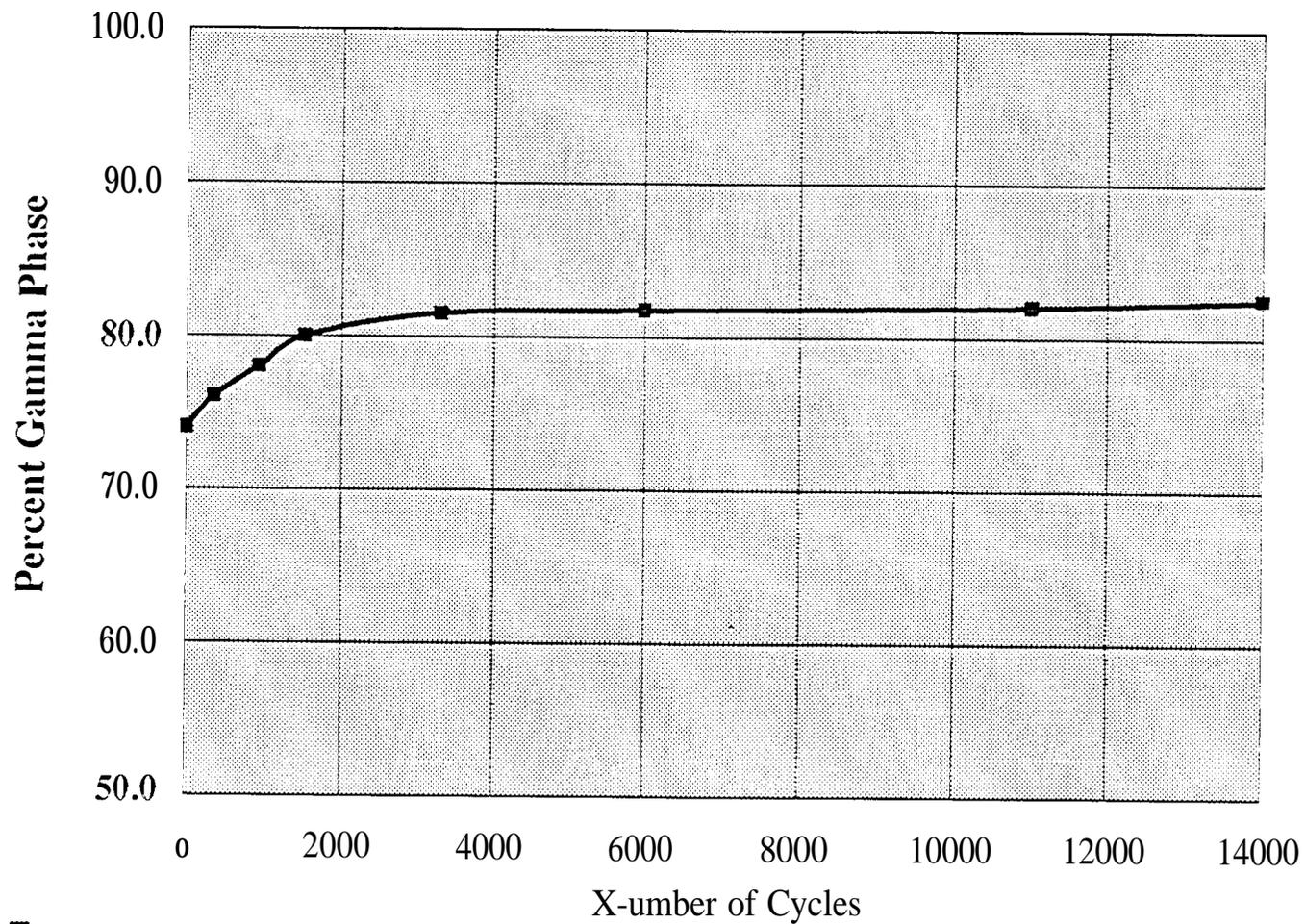




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Estimated Gamma Fraction For Life Test

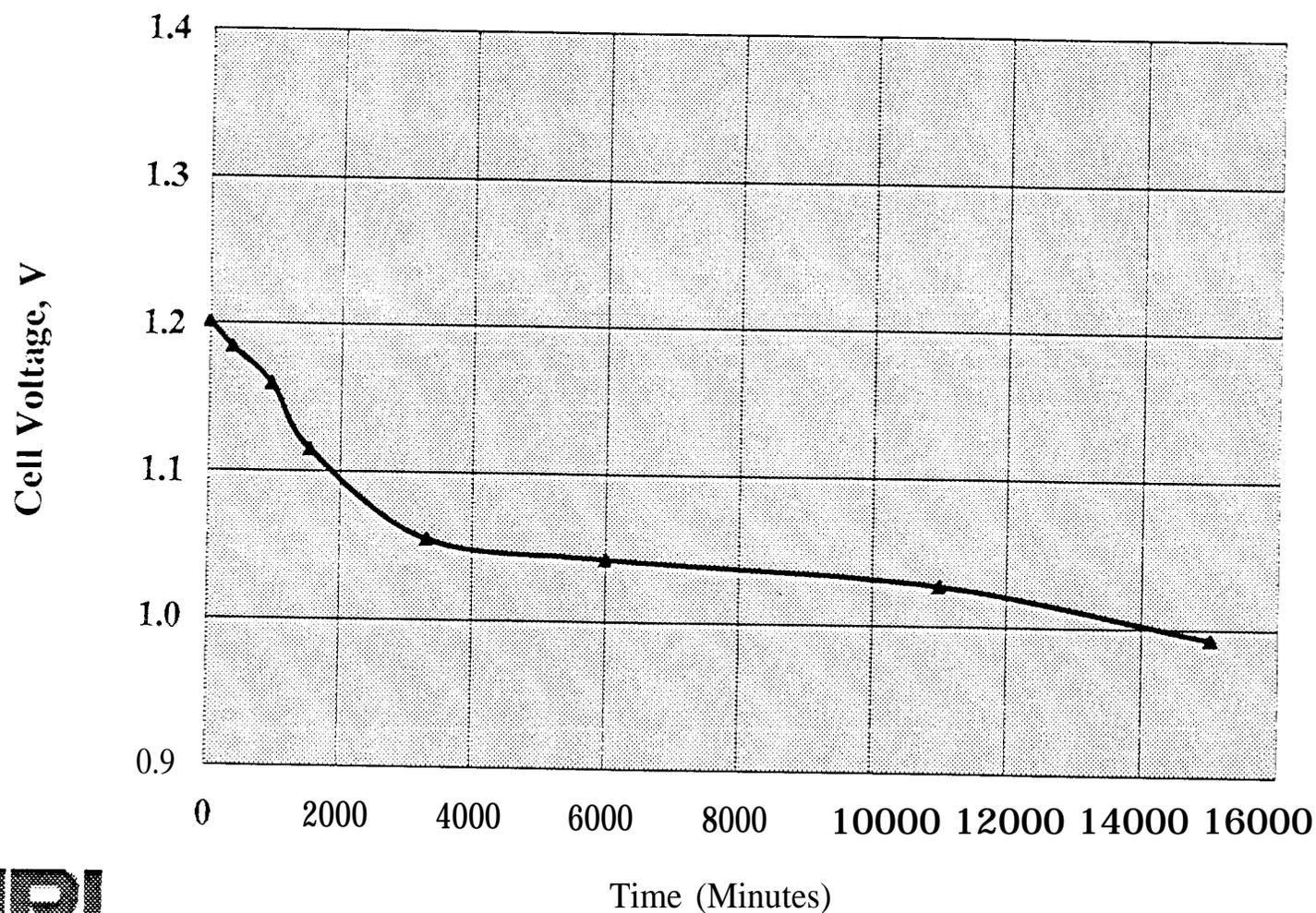




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Predicted EON Voltages For Various Percent Gamma Phase

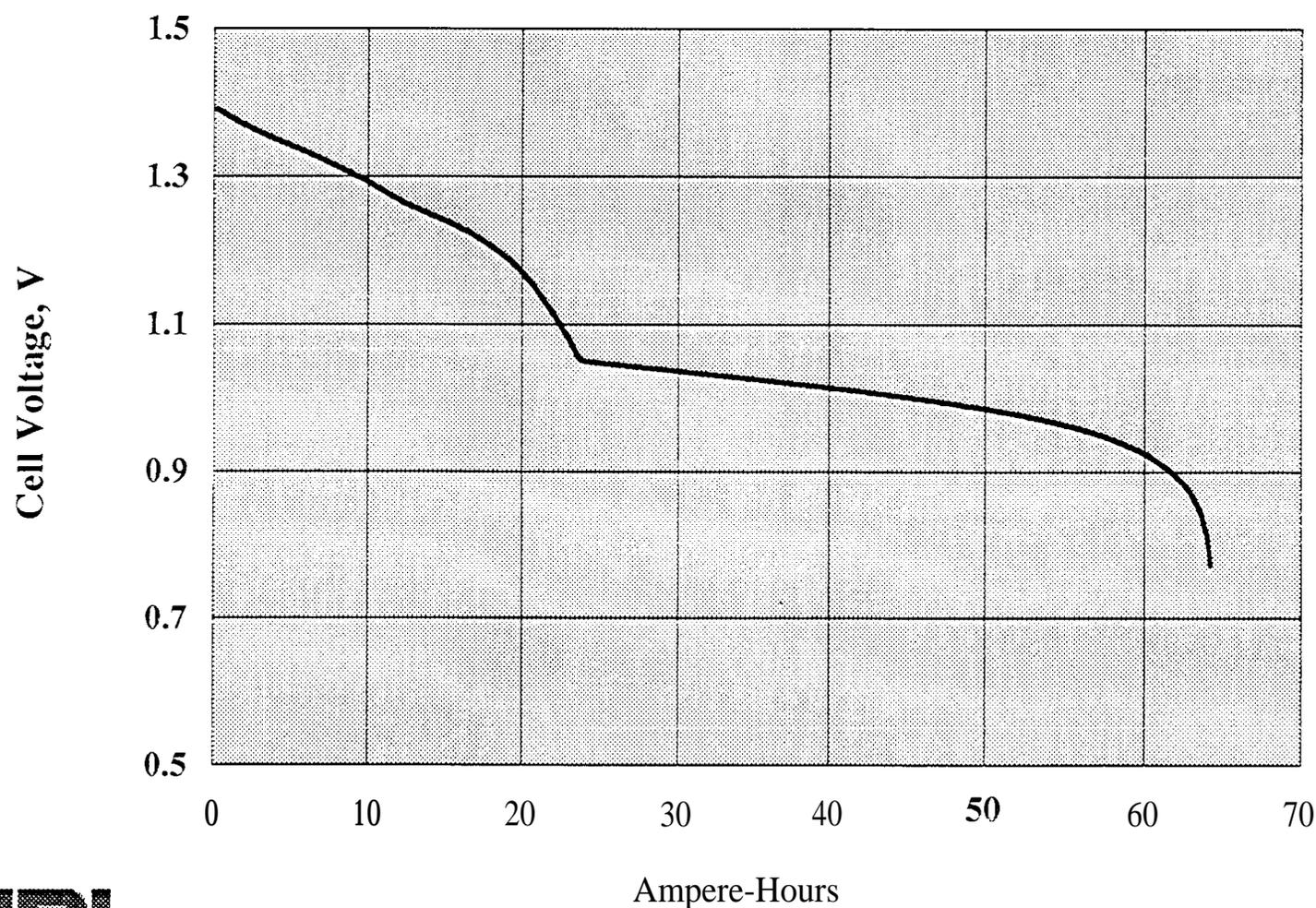




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Predicted Discharge Voltage For Cycled Ceil





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CONCLUSIONS

BI-PHASIC NICKEL ELECTRODE EXPLAINS MANY BEHAVIORS

VARIATION IN HYDROGEN PRECHARGE IN NiH_2 CELLS

REDUCTION OF OVERCHARGE PROTECTION IN NiCd CELLS

ONSET OF NEGATIVE LIMITED BEHAVIOR

CELL DIVERGENCE ON LEO CYCLING

EON VOLTAGE FADING ON LEO CYCLING

DEVELOPMENT OF SECOND PLATEAU ON CYCLING