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Abstract—Considered as one of the ultimate energy storage technologies for electrified transportation, the emerging all-solid-state batteries (ASSBs) have attracted immense attention due to their superior thermal stability, increased power and energy densities, and prolonged cycle life. To achieve the expected high performance, practical applications of ASSBs require accurate and computationally efficient models for the design and implementation of many onboard management algorithms, so that the ASSB safety, health, and cycling performance can be optimized under a wide range of operating conditions. A control-oriented modeling framework is thus established in this work by systematically simplifying a rigorous partial differential equation (PDE) based model of the ASSBs developed from underlying electrochemical principles. Specifically, partial fraction expansion and moment matching are used to obtain ordinary differential equation based reduced-order models (ROMs). By expressing the models in a canonical circuit form, excellent properties for control design such as structural simplicity and full observability are revealed. Compared to the original PDE model, the developed ROMs have demonstrated high fidelity at significantly improved computational efficiency. Extensive comparisons have also been conducted to verify its superiority to the prevailing models due to the consideration of concentration-dependent diffusion and migration. Such ROMs can thus be used for advanced control design in future intelligent management systems of ASSBs.

Index Terms—All-solid-state battery, battery modeling, electrochemical model, model order reduction, moment matching.

I. INTRODUCTION

RECHARGEABLE batteries have become ubiquitous energy storage devices in recent years for use in both mobile applications, including electric vehicles (EVs) and consumer devices, as well as stationary applications such as to mitigate the impact of fluctuating renewable generation to grid systems in the form of large-scale battery energy storage systems [1], [2]. These modern applications require safe, reliable, and efficient operation under a wide range of operating conditions, currently being dominated by lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries. Li-ion batteries are experiencing rapid development as one of the most important energy storage technologies due to their relatively high cell voltage, low self-discharge, and an excellent tradeoff between power and energy densities [3]. However, conventional Li-ion batteries use organic electrolytes and porous electrodes, which poses several challenges in battery safety and cycling performance. First, the organic electrolytes, most of which are in liquid form, are highly flammable and can cause fire hazards/explosions during faulty conditions due to thermal runaway. Second, the organic liquid electrolyte usually has low conductivity, which places intrinsic technical limits on modern high-power applications such as fast charging for EVs. Furthermore, the porous electrodes have almost reached their theoretical power density limits, which makes the further increase of the power/energy density in EVs difficult [4].

All-solid-state batteries (ASSBs) have thus received increasing research attention in the last decade to sidestep the above-mentioned problems of the conventional Li-ion batteries [5]. In ASSBs, the organic liquid or polymer electrolytes are replaced with new types of inorganic electrolytes in solid form, such as oxides with garnet structures, perovskites, and sodium superionic conductors. The solid electrolytes are non-flammable and highly thermal resistive, so to prevent the problems of electrolyte leakage, internal short circuit, and thermal runaway. In addition, the solid-state electrolytes have better compatibility with metallic Li anodes by providing a mechanical barrier to dendrite formation [6]. Also, the better adaptability to high-voltage cathode materials and metallic Li anodes will greatly increase the energy density of batteries. Such a type of battery is believed to have the merits of longer life, ensured safety, higher power and energy density, and easier to be packed towards minimization and flexibility for future applications [7].

Although there have been significant material and structural breakthroughs in ASSBs, an ASSB system requires to be properly monitored and controlled during practical operation to fulfill the expectation of its longevity and high performance. The information on the internal states can be used for establishing the charging/discharging strategies for the ASSB to balance the requirements of high safety, long service life, and fast load response. A suitable ASSB model with high fidelity and low computational burden for online operation is essential for most model-based management algorithms. A general approach to battery modeling is to use equivalent circuit models (ECMs) [8]. These have the advantage of ready implementation in well-accepted circuit simulation and control system design software packages such as MATLAB/Simulink. In these packages, various numerical solvers have been incorporated and can be selected to solve the circuit model to facilitate the design of the control system. Conventionally
obtained from system identification, the parametric values of such empirical models shall be adjusted regularly to fit the measurement data from tests carried out on-site [9]. However, this approach to battery modeling has limited applicability for wider operating ranges and long-term battery performance prediction under the ever-changing system dynamics. Battery degradation and internal safety cannot be properly addressed due to the lack of mechanistic insight regarding electrochemical dynamics. Furthermore, modern applications of batteries need to be designed for higher current rates, increased load dynamics, and harsher operating environments. Under these circumstances, model order, function complexity, and workload for tests to identify parameters of ECM have to be drastically increased to achieve sufficient extrapolability. To address these shortcomings, the physics-based models with the capability of describing the internal electrochemical behaviors of Li-ion batteries under a wide range of operating conditions have been developed [10]. For example, various electrochemical models have been established to describe the growth of solid-electrolyte interphase film and the lithium deposition that lead to the increase of internal resistance and the loss of battery capacity of the conventional Li-ion batteries [11]–[13], while it is difficult to design a health-aware charging strategy with empirically-derived ECMs. Proper reduced-order models (ROMs) have been developed for various applications in the emerging health- and safety-aware battery management systems for online operation since the physical limitation can be better predicted than the ECM-based algorithm [14].

Health- and safety-aware battery management are also achievable if relevant information can be accurately described for ASSBs, such as the lithium plating during the charging process [15] and stress-induced damage that can lead to mechanical degradation [16]. Since the physical structure of ASSBs is fundamentally different from the conventional liquid-electrolyte-based Li-ion batteries, attempts have been made to establish rigorous models of ASSBs. Becker et al. [17] presented a model for ASSBs that takes into account detailed aspects of ion transport in solid solutions of crystalline metal oxides. More precisely, the diffuse part of the double layer is dynamically described via the Poisson equation, while the Stern layer potential drop is modeled by a Robin boundary condition. Electrochemical reactions on the electrode/electrolyte interface (EEI) are modeled via non-linear Neumann boundary conditions. After a detailed derivation of the model equations and boundary conditions, numerical results are presented and discussed. Danilov et al. [18] developed an isothermal ASSB model that considered the imperfect dissociation of the ions in the electrolyte. This model consists of two partial differential equations (PDEs) that describe the diffusion processes in the solid electrolyte and in the positive electrode. In view of this, model simplification is of significant importance for many real-world applications such as charging strategy evaluation, residual capacity/lifetime estimation, thermal management, cell balancing, and fast charging control. Battery management algorithms such as state estimation have been developed recently based on this model [19], where the PDEs are solved using the finite difference method. However, this method shall create a high system order and the efficiency of the algorithm has not been studied. In [20], a rigorous PDE model has been reduced using a combination of Padé approximation, polynomial profile approximation, and equal-reaction-coefficient assumption, and the computational burden was significantly reduced with high fidelity amenable for online parameter estimation and state monitoring [21].

It is noticed that the PDE model [18] for developing the ROMs in [19]–[21] was established for specific thin-film ASSBs where many internal phenomena can be ignored. However, most recent works [22], [23] have demonstrated the importance of considering the effects of concentration-dependent diffusion coefficient and ionic migration behavior in the positive electrode, which can significantly influence the charging/discharging capabilities of new ASSBs with wide positive electrodes. For example, it shows in [18] that a thin-film ASSB cell with a 0.32 µm positive electrode can readily sustain 5IC constant current discharge, whereas in [23], an ASSB with a much wider electrode (8.08 µm) is shown to be only suitable for up to 4C–6C discharge current rate, in which condition significant nonuniformity can be observed in the ionic diffusion properties in the positive electrode.

In the present investigation, aiming at increasing the applicability of the physics-based ASSB model for control purposes, we establish a framework of model order reduction for ASSBs by simplifying a high-fidelity PDE-based model with the consideration of concentration-dependent diffusion and migration in the positive electrode. Consequently, the major contribution in this paper is the development of this model simplification framework for ASSBs, first expressed in a form of standard state-space representation and reformulated into an physics-based equivalent circuit. The procedure is systematically presented by using partial fraction expansion and moment matching (PFE-MM). The proposed method for model reduction is simple-to-derive and it removes the limitations on electrode width. The assumptions imposed on the system’s physical and dynamic characteristics are quantitatively justified by simulation and compared with the experimentally-verified PDE model in the literature. The simplified models are not only well suited for analyzing the charging/discharging behaviors of ASSBs but also beneficial for the development of model-based controllers and optimization algorithms for ASSBs.

II. AN ELECTROCHEMICAL MODEL OF ASSBS

This section presents an overview of the high-fidelity PDE model of the ASSBs under investigation. The purpose is to provide a fundamental background of the ASSB structure and relevant governing equations for the development of the model simplification framework in latter sections. If not specifically indicated, all the equations are based on the benchmark PDE model developed in [23].

A. Description of ASSBs

A schematic of the one-dimensional model of a typical ASSB cell is shown in Fig. 1. The cell is divided into three physical domains along the horizontal axis, including the porous positive electrode (denoted by “n”), the negative electrode (a metallic Li foil, denoted by “p”), and the solid
electrolyte compartment in between (denoted by “e”). As shown in Fig. 1, the inner and the outer physical boundaries of the positive electrode domain are denoted by \( y = 0 \) and \( y = L_p \), respectively, where \( L_p \) is the width of the positive electrode. The outer boundary of the positive electrode is attached to a platinum (Pt) current collector. For the ease of notation, superscripts “surf” and “Pt” are used next to denote the local quantities at the boundary \( y = 0 \) and \( y = L_p \), respectively, i.e., for a spatiotemporal variable or parameter \( X(y, t) \) in the positive electrode domain, \( X_{\text{surf}} := X(y = 0, t) \) and \( X_{\text{Pt}} := X(y = L_p, t) \). The two boundaries of the solid electrolyte domain are denoted by \( x = 0 \) and \( x = L_e \), respectively, with \( L_e \) being the width of the solid electrolyte. The functionalities of the solid electrolyte are two-fold: it allows the ionic conduction between the two electrodes, while the movement of electrons. This structure is much simpler than the conventional Li-ion batteries, which facilitates the polarization-free design of the SEI. In addition, the double-layer and geometrical capacitances are not discussed in this work since they have ignorable effects on battery performance at medium and low-frequency (<1 Hz) regions under investigation for common battery management functionalities.

**B. Diffusion in the Solid Electrolyte**

In the solid electrolyte, the mobile Li ions exist in equilibrium with the immobile Li ions. The immobile Li ions can undergo an ionization reaction to generate the mobile Li ions and uncompensated negative charges during a charge process, and a reverse reaction occurs during discharging. Under the electroneutrality condition, the diffusion and migration of the mobile Li ions can be described by

\[
\frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial t} = D_e^{\text{eff}} \frac{\partial^2 c_e(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + r \tag{1a}
\]

where \( c_e \) is the concentration of the mobile Li ions in the solid electrolyte, \( D_e^{\text{eff}} := \frac{2D_p^+ D_e^-}{(D_p^+ + D_e^-)} \) is the effective binary diffusion coefficient in the electrolyte, and \( D_p^+ \) and \( D_e^- \) are the diffusion coefficients of the mobile Li ions and the uncompensated negative charges in the electrolyte, respectively. Note that the diffusion coefficients in the electrolyte are considered independent of the electrolyte concentration \( c_e \) since the variation of electrolyte concentration is not significant, and within a narrow range of concentration the diffusion coefficients can be considered to be constant. Furthermore, \( r \) is a charge carrier generation term, considering ignorable in existing works [19], [20]. The boundary conditions and the initial condition of (1a) are given by

\[
D_e^{\text{eff}} \frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=0} = D_e^{\text{eff}} \frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=L_e} = \frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2F} \tag{1b}
\]

\[
c_e(x, t = 0) = c_{e0} = \delta c_0 \tag{1c}
\]

where \( F \) is the Faraday constant and \( i_{\text{app}} = i_{\text{app}}/A \) is the applied current density with \( A \) being the cross-sectional area of the cell. In addition, \( c_{e0} \) and \( c_0 \) represent the initial concentration of the mobile Li ions and the total Li ions in the electrolyte, respectively, and \( \delta \) is the fraction of Li ions in the mobile states under the equilibrium condition.

**C. Mass-Transfer Overpotential of the Solid Electrolyte**

Diffusion and migration in the solid electrolyte induce the mass-transfer overpotential \( \eta_{\text{me}} \), which is expressed by

\[
\eta_{\text{me}}(t) = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_e(L_e, t)}{c_e(0, t)} \right) - \int_0^{L_e} E_e(x, t) dx \tag{2}
\]

where the first and the second terms on the RHS are due to diffusion and migration, respectively. Here, \( R \) is the universal gas constant, \( T \) is the cell temperature, and \( E_e \) is the electric field in the electrolyte given by

\[
E_e(x, t) = \frac{RT}{F} \frac{1}{c_e(x, t)} \times \left[ -\frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2FD_e^+} + \frac{D_p^+ - D_e^-}{D_p^+ + D_e^-} \left( \frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial x} + \frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2FD_e^+} \right) \right]. \tag{3}
\]

The reader is referred to [25] for details of the derivation and more explanations of (2) and (3).

**D. Concentration-Dependent Diffusion of Positive Electrode**

Assuming the effect of phase transition can be ignored and considering the limited diffusion rate of electrons in the positive electrode of an ASSB, the diffusion of Li ions in the positive electrode can be described by,

\[
\frac{\partial c_p(y, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( D_p^{\text{eff}} \frac{\partial c_p(y, t)}{\partial y} \right) \tag{4a}
\]
with the boundary and initial conditions
\[
D_p^+ \frac{\partial c_p(y, t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=0} = -D_p^+ \frac{\partial c_p(y, t)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=L_p} = \frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2F} \quad (4b)
\]
\[
c_p(y, t = 0) = c_{p0} \quad (4c)
\]
where \( c_p \) is the concentration of the Li ions in the positive electrode, \( D_p^+ := 2D_p^+ D_p^-/(D_p^+ + D_p^-) \) is the effective binary diffusion coefficient in the positive electrode, and \( D_p^+ \) and \( D_p^- \) are the diffusion coefficients of Li ions and the electrons in the positive electrode, respectively. In contrast to the electrolyte, the concentration in the positive electrode can vary within a much wider range. Hence, \( D_p^+ \) and \( D_p^- \) are considered concentration-dependent, denoted by \( D_p^+(c_p) = f_{D_p^+}(c_p) \) and \( D_p^-(c_p) = f_{D_p^-}(c_p) \), respectively.

The state-of-charge (SOC) of the ASSB is determined by the volumed-average concentration \( c_p^{\text{avg}} \), i.e.,
\[
\text{SOC}(t) = \frac{c_p^{100\%} - c_p^{\text{avg}}(t)}{c_p^{100\%} - c_p^{0\%}} = \frac{\frac{1}{L_p} \int_0^{L_p} c_p(y, t) dy}{c_{p_{100\%}} - c_{p_{0\%}}}, \quad (5)
\]
where \( c_{p_{100\%}} \) and \( c_{p_{0\%}} \) are the concentrations of Li ions corresponding to SOC = 100% and SOC = 0%, respectively.

### E. Equilibrium Potential and Mass-Transfer Overpotential of the Electrodes

Concentrations \( c_p^{\text{surf}}(t) := c_p(0, t) \) and \( c_p^{\text{in}}(t) := c_p(L_p, t) \) at the two boundaries of the positive electrode are needed to calculate the positive electrode potential \( U_p = U_p^{\text{eq}} + \eta_p^{\text{mt}} \), consisting of the thermodynamic equilibrium potential \( U_p^{\text{eq}} \) and the overpotential \( \eta_p^{\text{mt}} \) due to mass transfer in the electrode, i.e.,
\[
U_p^{\text{eq}}(t) = h_1(c_p^{\text{surf}}(t)) \quad (6)
\]
\[
\eta_p^{\text{mt}}(t) = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_p^{\text{in}}(t)}{c_p^{\text{surf}}(t)} \right) - \int_0^{L_p} E_p(y, t) dy, \quad (7)
\]
where \( h_1(\cdot) \) is a nonlinear function determined by the material properties of the positive electrode. Similar to (2), the first and the second terms on the RHS of (7) are due to diffusion and migration in the positive electrode, respectively, while the electric field \( E_p \) is given by
\[
E_p(y, t) = \frac{RT}{F} \frac{1}{c_p^{\text{avg}}(y, t)} \times \left[ -\frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2F D_p^+} + \frac{D_p^+ - D_p^-}{2F D_p^+} \left( \frac{\partial c_p(y, t)}{\partial y} + \frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2F D_p^+} \right) \right]. \quad (8)
\]

Note that the overpotential \( \eta_p^{\text{mt}} \) cannot be ignored unless the diffusion process of electrons is much faster than that of the Li ions. The reader is referred to [23] for a detailed discussion on the effect of the diffusion coefficients in the positive electrode.

Furthermore, since the negative electrode is a metallic Li foil, the Li concentration \( c_n \) in this electrode is considered a constant and equal to the average bulk concentration of the negative electrode \( c_{n_{\text{avg}}} \). The potential of the negative electrode \( U_n \) is assumed to be zero due to the high conductivity of the Li metal [22], [23].

### F. Charge-Transfer Overpotentials

The intercalation/de-intercalation reaction kinetics are described by the Butler-Volmer equation and the charge-transfer coefficients for both electrodes are assumed to be 0.5 in this work [19]. The expressions of the charge-transfer overpotential for both electrodes are thus given by
\[
\eta_p^{\text{cl}}(t) = \frac{2RT}{F} \sinh^{-1} \left( \frac{i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2i_{0,p}} \right) \quad (9a)
\]
\[
\eta_n^{\text{cl}}(t) = \frac{2RT}{F} \sinh^{-1} \left( \frac{-i_{\text{app}}(t)}{2i_{0,n}} \right) \quad (9b)
\]
where \( i_0 \) represents the average exchange current density for intercalation defined under equilibrium conditions, given by
\[
i_{0,p}(t) = Fk_{0,p} (c_{0,p}^{\text{surf}}(t))^{0.5} \left[ c_{p_{\text{max}}}^{\text{max}} - c_p^{\text{surf}}(t) \right]^{0.5} \quad (10a)
\]
\[
i_{0,n}(t) = Fk_{0,n} (c_{0,n}^{\text{surf}}(t))^{0.5} (c_{n_{\text{avg}}}^{\text{avg}})^{0.5} \quad (10b)
\]
where \( c_{p_{\text{max}}} \) is the theoretical maximum concentration in the positive electrode, \( k_{0,p} \) and \( k_{0,n} \) are the reaction constants of the two electrodes.

### G. Terminal Voltage

The ASSB voltage is the sum of the equilibrium potential of the positive and negative electrodes and various overpotentials, i.e.,
\[
V_{\text{bat}}(t) = U_p^{\text{eq}}(t) + \eta_p^{\text{mt}}(t) + \eta_n^{\text{cl}}(t) + \eta_p^{\text{cl}}(t) - \eta_n^{\text{cl}}(t), \quad (11)
\]
where the contact resistance at the EEI and the current collector resistance are ignored.

### III. A MODEL REDUCTION FRAMEWORK FOR ASSBS

The PDE-based ASSB model (1)–(11) is considered accurate but difficult for both control system design and online implementation. For the purpose of overcoming this, in this section, a model order reduction framework is established.

#### A. Simplified Solid Electrolyte Diffusion Equation

Defining \( t_e^+ := D_e^+/(D_e^+ + D_e^-) \) as the transference number of the electrolyte and \( t_e^- := D_e^-/(D_e^+ + D_e^-) = 1 - t_e^+ \), the boundary conditions (1b) can be reformulated into
\[
D_{e} \frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=0} = D_{e} \frac{\partial c_e(x, t)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{x=L_e} = \frac{t_e^-}{F} i_{\text{app}}(t). \quad (12)
\]

Taking the Laplace transform of (1) with the boundary conditions (12), one can obtain the following transcendental transfer function,
\[
c_{e}(x, s) = \frac{-t_e^- \tau_e - s}{2FL_e \sqrt{\tau_e s}} \sinh \left( \frac{2x}{L_e} - 1 \right), \quad (13)
\]
where \( \tau_e = L_e^2/D_{e}^{\text{eff}} \) is the time constant for the electrolyte diffusion. The derivation is detailed in the Appendix.

Note that (13) has an anti-symmetrical property about the middle point \( x = L_e/2 \) of the solid-electrolyte domain, rendering \( c_{e}(x, s)/i_{\text{app}}(s) = -c_{e}(L_e/2 - x, s)/i_{\text{app}}(s) \), and this gives \( c_{e}(x, t) + c_{e}(L_e - x, t) = 2c_{e_{\text{mid}}} \) in the time domain. As seen in (2), we are particularly interested in the electrolyte concentrations at the domain boundaries. Hence, denoting the
concentration at the EEI \( c_{\text{surf}}^\text{e}(t) := c_e(L_e, t) \) and using (13), the following transcendental transfer function can be obtained:

\[
c_{\text{surf}}^\text{e}(s) = \frac{t_c \tau_c}{2FL_e} G_e(s), \tag{14}
\]

where

\[
G_e(s) = \frac{\tanh \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_c s} \right)}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_c}}. \tag{15}
\]

The transcendental transfer function (14) represents an infinite-dimensional system. For the purpose of control system design and implementation, a low-order rational transfer function describing a practically realizable system is needed. Since all singularities of \( G_e(s) \) are of first order [26], and located on the negative real axis, it can be approximated by a series of first order transfer functions, i.e., we may assume a partial fraction expansion (PFE),

\[
G_e(s) \approx P_e(s) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_c} \frac{b_{e,i}}{s + a_{e,i}}, \tag{16}
\]

where \( N_c \) is the order of the approximation and \( a_{e,i} \) and \( b_{e,i} \) are the PFE coefficients for the electrolyte diffusion equation. With this approximation, the transfer function (16) can be readily realized as

\[
\frac{d^2c_e,i(t)}{dt^2} = \frac{a_{e,i}}{\tau_c} \frac{d^2c_e,i(t)}{dt^2} - \frac{b_{e,i} D_c}{2FL_e} i_{\text{app}}(t) \quad \forall i \in N_c \tag{17a}
\]

\[
c_{\text{surf}}^\text{e}(t) = c_e(0) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_c} \frac{b_{e,i}}{s + a_{e,i}} \frac{\tanh \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_c s} \right)}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_c}}(17b)
\]

where \( N_c = \{1, 2, \ldots, N_c\} \).

To determine the \( 2N_c \) PFE coefficients \( a_{e,i} \) and \( b_{e,i} \), \( i \in N_c \), moment matching (MM) is adopted here [27]. Specifically, we set \( P_e(0) = G_e(0) \) and do the same for the first \((2N_c - 1)\) derivatives of \( P_e(s) = G_e(s) \) for \( s = 0 \), establishing \( 2N_c \) equations that uniquely determines the values of all coefficients \( a_{e,i} \) and \( b_{e,i} \). The results up to \( N_c = 5 \) are provided in Table I. In Fig. 2, Bode diagrams of the proposed ROMs of (13) are compared with several other methods, using the parameters given in Section IV, including the ideal PDE model, the FVM, and an analytical method to determine the coefficients \( a_{e,i} \) and \( b_{e,i} \) based on the residue theory [26]. It can be seen that the frequency-domain approximation with the proposed method generally outperforms the other methods. With the same order, the proposed ROM is more accurate than the ROM based on residue theory, and a 5th-order proposed ROM is comparable to 100th-order FVM model.

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where \( \tau_p = L_p^2/D_p \) is the time constant for the diffusion process in the positive electrode. According to (6) and (7), the positions of interest are the boundaries \( y = 0 \) and \( y = L_p \). Unlike the electrolyte diffusion equation (1), there is no general (anti-)symmetrical relationships in the positive electrode domain, and thus the transfer functions for these two positions have to be approximated individually. The procedures are described as follows.

At \( y = 0 \), we have

\[
\frac{c_{\text{surf}}(s)}{i_{\text{surf}}(s)} = -\frac{1}{FL_p s} - \frac{\tau_{\text{surf}}}{F L_p} G_p(s),
\]

where

\[
G_p(s) = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau_p s} \tanh \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_p s} \right)} \right) - \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{surf}} s} - \frac{1}{\tau_p s}.
\]

The first term on the RHS of (20) contributes to the change of bulk concentration, and the second term is associated with the overpotentials caused by uneven distribution of the concentration. Also, \( G_p(s) \) can be shown to have only countable first order singularities on the negative real axis. We can therefore adopt a similar PFE method as described in Section III-A, to convert \( G_p(s) \) to a rational form

\[
G_p(s) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N_{p1}} \frac{b_{p1,i}}{\tau_{p1}s + a_{p1,i}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{p2}} \frac{b_{p2,i}}{\tau_{p2}s + a_{p2,i}}.
\]

Thus, (20) can be realized by

\[
\frac{d^2 c_{\text{surf}}(t)}{dt^2} = -\frac{1}{FL_p} i_{\text{surf}}(t)
\]

\[
\frac{d c_{i1}(t)}{dt} = \frac{a_{p1,i}}{\tau_p} c_{i1}(t) - \frac{b_{p1,i}}{F L_p} i_{\text{surf}}(t) \quad \forall i \in N_{p1}
\]

\[
\frac{d c_{i2}(t)}{dt} = \frac{a_{p2,i}}{\tau_{\text{surf}}} c_{i2}(t) - \frac{b_{p2,i}}{2F L_p} i_{\text{surf}}(t) \quad \forall i \in N_{p2}
\]

\[
c_{\text{surf}}(t) = c_{\text{avg}}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{p1}} \tilde{c}_{i1}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{p2}} \tilde{c}_{i2}(t)
\]

where \( N_{p1} = \{1, \ldots, N_{p1}\} \) and \( N_{p2} = \{1, \ldots, N_{p2}\} \).

Similarly, at the other boundary \( y = L_p \), the corresponding approximated transfer function can be derived by

\[
\frac{c_{p}(s)}{i_{\text{surf}}(s)} = -\frac{1}{FL_p s} - \frac{\tau_{p}}{F L_p} G_p(s)
\]

where

\[
G_p(s) = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau_p s} \sinh \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_p s} \right)} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau_p s}} \tanh \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\tau_p s} \right).
\]
where $N_{p3} = \{1, \cdots, N_p\}$ and $N_{p4} = \{1, \cdots, N_p\}$.

Applying the MM method as described in the previous subsection, the PFE coefficients can be obtained. The PFE coefficients $a_{p1,i}$, $b_{p1,i}$, $a_{p3,i}$, and $b_{p3,i}$ up to $N_{p1} = 3$ and $N_{p3} = 3$ are given in Table II. Note that by comparing (21) and (25) with (15), we have $a_{p2,i} = a_{p4,i} = a_c,i$ and $b_{p2,i} = b_{p4,i} = -b_{c,i}$, since they share the same transfer function up to a scaling of $s$.

Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 compare the Bode diagrams for the positive electrode diffusion equation with different order reduction methods at the two boundaries using the parameters given in Section IV. Again, it is shown the MM method is more accurate than the method based on residue theory and it can generate a much lower order system than the FVM to achieve a similar frequency response.

C. Simplified Positive Electrode Diffusion Equation Under Concentration-Dependent Diffusion Coefficients

Note that the results in Section III-B are only valid under the assumption of constant $D_p^+$ and $D_p^-$. When $D_p^+$ and $D_p^-$ are weakly concentration-dependent, by updating the coefficients in each time step, the linear-time varying system can capture the dynamics. However, if the coefficients vary significantly, the linear approximated equations can lead to considerable accumulated error in the results over time. We therefore introduce a factor $\lambda$ to correct the time constant $\tau_{\text{surf}}$, i.e.,

$$\tau_{\text{surf}}^p = \lambda \tau_{\text{surf}} = (D_p^+ / D_p^- + P)^k \tau_{\text{surf}}^p,$$  (27)

where $k$ is a correction coefficient tuned by trial-and-error. It can be seen that $\lambda$ equals 1 either when the diffusion coefficients are uniform along the y direction, or when $k = 0$.

D. Simplified Mass- and Charge-Transfer Overpotentials

Equations (2) and (7) share the same form and they contain integrals. A numerical integration method is used to solve the equation [20], which increases the complexity of the model implementation and analysis. In this regard, we derive and use the following simplified expressions of the mass-transfer overpotentials, given by

$$\eta_p^m(t) = \frac{2RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_{surf}^p(t)}{c_{e0} - c_{surf}(t)} \right) + R_{avg}^{e} I_{app}(t)$$

$$\eta_p^m(t) = \frac{2RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_{surf}^p(t)}{c_{surf}(t)} \right) + R_{avg}^{e} I_{app}(t)$$

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$$\text{where } R_{avg}^{e} = L_e / [(D_e^+ + D_e^-) (e^2 A / RT) c_{e0} ] \text{ and } R_{avg}^{p} = L_p / [(D_p^+ + D_p^-) (e^2 A / RT) c_{p0} ] \text{ are the volume-averaged resistances of the electrolyte and the positive electrode, respectively. The detail of the derivation procedure is given in Appendix.}$

The charge-transfer overpotentials in (9) are rewritten by

$$\eta_p^c(t) = R_{p}^{c} I_{app}(t)$$

$$\eta_p^{t_c}(t) = -R_{p}^{c} I_{app}(t)$$

where the charge-transfer resistances $R_{p}^{c}$ and $R_{p}^{t_c}$ are given by

$$R_{p}^{c} = \left\{ \frac{RT}{F} \sinh \left( \frac{I_{app}}{2A_0} \right) / \left( \frac{I_{app}}{2A_{0,p}} \right), \right.$$  (30a)

$$\left. I_{app} \neq 0, \quad i_{app} = 0 \right\}$$  (31a)

$$R_{p}^{t_c} = \left\{ \frac{RT}{F} \sinh \left( \frac{I_{app}}{2A_0} \right) / \left( \frac{I_{app}}{2A_{0,n}} \right), \right.$$  (30b)

$$\left. I_{app} \neq 0, \quad i_{app} = 0 \right\}$$  (31b)

E. Summary of the Reduced-Order Model

By now, we have obtained a ROM of ASSBs, and the model can be summarized in a compact continuous-time space-state form as follows:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t)) = A(t) x(t) + B(t) u(t)$$

$$z(t) = h(x(t), u(t))$$

where the input variable is the current $u = I_{app}$, the output variable is voltage $z = V_{bat}$, and the state vector is $x = [c_{surf}^p, c_{surf}, c_{e0}, c_{e}, \cdots] \in [\mathbb{R}^{+}]^{N_{p1} + N_{p2} + N_{p3} + N_{e} + N_{z}}$, where $c_{p1} = [c_{p1,1}, \cdots, c_{p1,N_{p1}}]^T$, $c_{p2} = [c_{p2,1}, \cdots, c_{p2,N_{p2}}]^T$, $c_{p3} = [c_{p3,1}, \cdots, c_{p3,N_{p3}}]^T$, $c_{e} = [c_{e,1}, \cdots, c_{e,N_{e}}]^T$. Note that the state equation (32a) is expressed in linear time-varying form, where the system matrix $A$ and the input matrix $B$ are given in (33) and (34). $A$ and $B$ are affected by the time constants and the transference numbers in the positive electrode, and these parameters are functions of the concentration-dependent diffusion coefficients.

On the other hand, the operator $h(\cdot)$ in the output equation (32b) is a nonlinear function of $c_{surf}^p(t)$, $c_{surf}(t)$, and $c_{e}(t)$, i.e.,

$$h(\cdot) = h_1(c_{surf}^p) + h_2(c_{surf}) + h_3(c_{surf}, c_{p1}, c_{p2})$$

$$+ (R_{c}^{avg} + R_{p}^{avg} + R_{c}^{t_c} + R_{p}^{t_c}) I_{app}(t)$$

where the nonlinear functions $h_1(\cdot)$, $h_2(\cdot)$, and $h_3(\cdot)$ are provided in (6), (28), and (29), respectively, and $c_{surf}^p$, $c_{p1}$, and $c_{e}$ are calculated using (17b), (23d), and (26c), respectively.

The derived ROM can readily be reformulated with the equivalent circuit representation as shown in Fig. 5, where the equivalent resistances and capacitances are expressed as the
functions of the electrochemical parameters, cell dimension, and the PFE coefficients, i.e.,

\[ C_{p0} = FAL_p, \]
\[ C_{p1,i} = \frac{FAL_p}{\tau_{p,i}} R_{p1,i} = \frac{b_{p1,i} \tau_{p1,i}}{a_{p1,i} FAL_p} \quad \forall i \in N_{p1} \]
\[ C_{p2,i} = \frac{2FAL_p}{t^+_p b_{p2,i} \tau_{p2,i}} R_{p2,i} = \frac{t^+_p b_{p2,i} \tau_{p2,i}}{2a_{p2,i} FAL_p} \quad \forall i \in N_{p2} \]
\[ C_{p3,i} = \frac{2FAL_p}{\tau_{p3,i}} R_{p3,i} = \frac{b_{p3,i} \tau_{p3,i}}{a_{p3,i} FAL_p} \quad \forall i \in N_{p3} \]
\[ C_{p4,i} = \frac{2FAL_p}{t^+_p b_{p4,i} \tau_{p4,i}} R_{p4,i} = \frac{t^+_p b_{p4,i} \tau_{p4,i}}{2a_{p4,i} FAL_p} \quad \forall i \in N_{p4} \]
\[ C_{e,i} = \frac{2FAL_e}{\tau_{e,i}} R_{e,i} = \frac{t^-_e b_{e,i} \tau_e}{2a_{e,i} FAL_e} \quad \forall i \in N_c \]
\[ R_0 = R_{p0} + R_{c0} + R_{p1} + R_{e} \]

where \( \tau_{p}, \tau_{p1}, \tau_{p2}, \tau_{p3}, \tau_{p4}, \tau_{e}, R_{p0}, R_{p1}, R_{e} \) are parameters that have been defined previously.

F. Observability Analysis

One of the major use for the ROM is for state observer design. An observability analysis is necessary before any reliable design of a state observer. The general procedure to check the observability of a nonlinear battery model from the voltage measurements in the linear sense is as follows.

1) Linearize the ODEs about the states at the equilibrium to produce the system matrix \( A \).

2) Linearize the nonlinear output equation at the equilibrium to produce the output matrix \( C \).

3) Compute the observability matrix for the pair \((A, C)\) and check the rank.

Since the state equation is already in a linear form and the system matrix is in a diagonal form, one only has to check the linearized output equation, characterized by the output matrix \( C \) given as

\[
C = \begin{bmatrix}
\frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p1}}, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p2}}, \ldots, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{pN_p}}, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p1}}, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p2}}, \ldots, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{pN_p}}, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{e}}, \ldots, \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{e}}
\end{bmatrix}
\]

For such a linearized system in the modal canonical form, the condition when the system is fully observable from the output measurement are reduced to [28]:

1) the elements in \( A \) (eigenvalues) are not repeated, and 2) none of the elements in \( C \) are zero.

Regarding the first condition, from (33), it can be seen that the elements in the diagonal are determined by the PFE coefficients \( (a_{p1,i}, a_{p2,i}, a_{p3,i}, a_{p4,i}, a_{e,i}) \) and the time constants \( (\tau_{p}, \tau_{p1}, \tau_{p2}, \tau_{p3}, \tau_{p4}, \tau_{e}) \). Usually, the PFE coefficients are not the same, and only when \( N_{p2} = N_{p4} = N_e \), the coefficients \( a_{p2,i} = a_{p4,i} = a_{e,i} \) are equal for the same i. Even in this condition, the different time constants \( \tau_{p1}, \tau_{p2}, \tau_{p3}, \tau_{p4}, \tau_{e} \) determined by different local diffusion coefficients will in practice prevent the presence of repeated elements in \( A \).

For the second condition, considering \( \partial U_{eq}/\partial c_p < 0 \), \( c_{p1}^p > 0 \), and \( c_{e,i} > c_{surf} > 0 \), the following relationships hold

\[
\frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p1}} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{p2}} = \ldots = \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{pN_p}} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{surf}} \neq \frac{\partial h}{\partial c_{surf}}
\]
\[ \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \psi_{\text{surf}}(\text{surf})} = \frac{\partial h}{\partial \psi_{\text{surf}}(\text{surf})} = \frac{2RTi^-}{F} \left( \frac{2c_{e0} - c_{\text{surf}}}{c_e} \right) > 0. \]  

With (36) and (37), it can be seen that the elements in C are non-zero, and thus we conclude that the ROM (32) is fully observable from the voltage measurement in the linear sense.

### IV. ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

#### A. System Configuration and Model Validation

The PDE-based ASSB model (1)–(11) will be used as a benchmark for verification of the accuracy of the proposed ROMs. The model parameters used in this work are given in Table III. The parameters are identified with a commercial 0.7 mAh ASSB cell based on the experimental results given in [23]. The active material of the positive electrode is lithium cobalt oxide (LCO) and the solid electrolyte is lithium phosphorus oxynitride (LiPON). Most of the cell parameters are directly obtained from [23]. Three nonlinear functions, including the equilibrium potential curve \( h_1(\cdot) \) in (6) and two diffusion coefficient curves, i.e., \( f_{D+}(\cdot) \) and \( f_{D-}(\cdot) \), are fitted using the experimental results presented in [23]. These functions are given as (38)–(40), where \( \theta = c_{e0}/c_{e\text{max}} \) is the normalized concentration in the LCO electrode. The fitted curves are compared with the experimental data in Fig. 6. On the other hand, we notice that the parameters regarding the LiPON solid electrolyte in [23] were identified by assuming that a strong charge generation effect exist so that \( r \) in (1a) is not negligible. However, in the present work, the relevant electrolyte parameters are taken from [22] where a weak charge generation effect is considered in agreement with the assumption made in Section II. In addition, the diffusion coefficient \( D_{+}^{e} \) is the only parameter tuned manually to fit the experimental data. All models including the benchmark model and different ROMs were implemented in MATLAB R2016b, discretized in the time domain with the backward Euler method and sampled with 1 s, and the simulated results were obtained on a 64-bit Windows 10 on a PC, with Intel Core i7-4790 CPU@ 3.60 Hz and 16GB RAM.

The benchmark PDE model was spatially discretized using the FVM [29] and both the electrolyte and the electrode domains were evenly divided into 100 and 30 control volumes, respectively. The simulated discharge curves of the terminal voltage under various constant current rates are plotted in Fig. 7 against the experimental data extracted from [23], for comparison. It is shown that the model can accurately capture the dynamics up to 6C with increasing model errors with increasing current rate. The model accuracy can be further improved by global optimization of more tunable parameters, but we leave that relevant investigation to our future work.

In the next two subsections, the system orders of the proposed ROMs are first selected empirically as \( N_{e} = 5 \) and \( N_{p} = 3 \).

#### B. Comparison Under Constant Discharge Current

Fig. 8 shows a comparison of the results under a 1C constant current discharge with different models, including the benchmark PDE (FVM) model, the proposed PFE-MM model with and without the correction, as well as a ROM proposed in [20], where the diffusion equations are reduced with Padé approximation and the mass-transfer overpotential is solved with a polynomial approximation. The simulated cells were initially fully charged at 4.2 V and discharge was stopped at 3.0 V. As seen in Fig. 8(a), at \( t = 0 \), there is an
\[ U_{p}^{\text{eq}} = h_1(\theta) = \frac{245.67 - 900.73\theta + 1370.02\theta^2 - 1109.36\theta^3 + 519.2\theta^4 - 115.81\theta^5}{42.317 - 122.12\theta + 112.28\theta^2 - 27.473\theta^3 - 5.02\theta^4} \]  

(38)

\begin{align*}
D_p^+ &= f_{D^+}(\theta) = \\
&= \begin{cases} 
7.76 \times 10^{-14}, & \theta < 0.6 \\
3.7315 \times 10^{-14}\cos(10.472\theta) + 4.0285 \times 10^{-14}, & 0.6 \leq \theta \leq 0.9 \\
2.97 \times 10^{-15}, & \theta > 0.9 
\end{cases} \\
D_p^- &= f_{D^-}(\theta) = \\
&= \begin{cases} 
3.19 \times 10^{-13}, & \theta < 0.6 \\
1.4330 \times 10^{-13}\cos(10.472\theta) + 1.6570 \times 10^{-13}, & 0.6 \leq \theta \leq 0.9 \\
1.24 \times 10^{-14}, & \theta > 0.9 
\end{cases}
\end{align*}

(39)

(40)

The recorded CPU times for the constant current discharge examples are summarized in Table IV. It can be seen that the proposed ROMs are much more computationally efficient than the benchmark PDE model solved using the FVM. Compared to the ROM developed in [20], the accuracy of the proposed model still compares favorably to the PDE model, and terminal voltages, surface concentration, and diffusion overpotentials are all adequately predicted.

C. Comparison Under Dynamic Driving Cycling Test

Next, in order to test the model performance under dynamic operating conditions, a modified Federal Urban Driving Sched-
leading to high MAX. In addition, Fig. 10(b) shows that the proposed method is superior in the avoidance of approximating the entire concentration distribution in the positive electrode, while the boundary values are accurately predicted.

**D. Effect of Model Order**

Fig. 11 compares the model accuracy using different model orders under a similar modified FUDS current profile. In general, increasing the system order of the PFE model can improve the high-frequency response, as indicated in the Bode diagrams in Fig. 2 to Fig. 4. However, there is no need to adopt very high-order approximations, since usually the energy contained in the high-frequency components of the input current is not very high for most battery management applications. For example, most dynamic current test profiles are given with a sampling time interval of 1 s, which means that 1 Hz can be considered the highest frequency to be complied with by a reduced model. As can be seen from Fig. 11, under the same enhanced FUDS profile with the maximum current rate of 4C, compared to the high-order PFE model ($N_{p1} = N_{p2} = N_{p3} = N_{p4} = 3$ and $N_c = 5$) with an RMSE of 0.7 mV (as given in Table IV), a much low-order PFE model with $N_{p1} = 2, N_{p2} = 1, N_{p3} = 1, N_{p4} = 0, N_c = 1$ is less accurate but can still regenerate the battery behaviors sufficiently well with an RMSE of 2.5 mV. Note that $N_{p3}$ and $N_{p4}$ are used to model the effect of the concentrations on the current collector side of the positive electrode, and in many cases they are ignorable for light load applications. Hence, it is seen that a 5th-order model might be sufficiently accurate for battery management.

**V. CONCLUSIONS**

An order reduction method is proposed to simplify the PDE-based all-solid-phase battery model into an ODE model. The specific contributions include: 1) a generic reduced-order model based on partial fraction expansion and moment matching is proposed for control system design, and it is also formulated into an equivalent circuit form; 2) Important nonlinear phenomena under high rate operation, including the concentration-dependent diffusion and the ionic migration processes in the positive electrode, are properly addressed. The simplified model is linear time-varying in terms of its state equation but nonlinear in its output equation, and we show
that in practice the reduced-order model is fully observable in the linear sense. The model can be readily implemented for online management functionalities to achieve model-based state estimation, parameter identification, and optimal control.

**APPENDIX**

**A. Derivation of Electrolyte Diffusion Transfer Function**

The general form of the Laplace transform of (1a) is

\[ c_e(x,s) = A \sinh \left( \sqrt{s}x / \alpha \right) + B \cosh \left( \sqrt{s}x / \alpha \right) \tag{41} \]

where \( A \) and \( B \) are two coefficients, \( \alpha = \sqrt{D_e^c} \), and the term \( r \) in (1a) is ignored. The gradient of (41) is

\[ \frac{\partial c_e(x,s)}{\partial x} = \frac{A \sqrt{s} \cosh \left( \sqrt{s}x / \alpha \right) + B \sqrt{s} \sinh \left( \sqrt{s}x / \alpha \right)}{\alpha} \tag{42} \]

Using (42) and the boundary conditions (12), one can solve for the coefficients \( A \) and \( B \), both of which are proportional to the current density \( i_{app} \), i.e.,

\[ \frac{A}{i_{app}(s)} = \frac{\alpha t_e^-}{D_e^{eff} \sqrt{s}}, \quad \frac{B}{i_{app}(s)} = -\frac{\alpha t_e^+}{D_e^{eff} \sqrt{s}} \cosh \left( \sqrt{s}L_e \right) \frac{1}{2\alpha} \tag{43} \]

Substituting (43) into (41) and reorganizing the equation, we obtain the transcendental transfer function (13) for the electrolyte diffusion equation.

**B. Derivation of the Simplified Mass-Transfer Overpotential**

Considering two identities

\[ \frac{\partial c_e(x,t)}{\partial x} = c_e(x,t) \frac{\partial \ln c_e(x,t)}{\partial x} \tag{44} \]

\[ \int_0^{L_e} \left( \frac{\partial \ln c_e(x,t)}{\partial x} \right) dx = \ln \left( \frac{c_e(L_e,0)}{c_e(0,t)} \right) \tag{45} \]

First, substituting (44) into (3), one yields

\[ E(x,t) = -\frac{i_{app}(t)}{k_e^{eff}(x,t)} + \frac{RT}{F} \left( \frac{D_e^+ - D_e^-}{D_e^+ + D_e^-} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \ln c_e(x,t)}{\partial x} \right) \tag{46} \]

where \( k_e^{eff} := (D_e^+ + D_e^-) \left( \frac{F^2}{RT} \right) c_e \) represents the local conductivity in the solid electrolyte.

Substituting (46) into (2) yields

\[ \eta_e^{m}(t) = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_e(L_e,0)}{c_e(0,t)} \right) + \int_0^{L_e} \left( i_{app}(t) \right) k_e^{eff}(x,t) dx + \left( \frac{RT}{F} \left( \frac{D_e^+ - D_e^-}{D_e^+ + D_e^-} \right) \right) \int_0^{L_e} \left( \frac{\partial \ln c_e(x,t)}{\partial x} \right) dx = \tag{47} \]

We define the volume-averaged electrolyte resistance as

\[ R_e^{avg} := \frac{1}{A} \int_0^{L_e} \left( \frac{1}{k_e^{eff}(x,t)} \right) dx \approx L_e/r_e^{eff} \tag{48} \]

where \( k_e^{eff} := (D_e^+ + D_e^-) \left( \frac{F^2}{RT} \right) c_e \) is the average electrolyte conductivity and \( A \) is the cross-sectional area of the electrode. Substituting (48) and (45) into (47), thus

\[ \eta_e^{m}(t) \approx \frac{2RT c_e}{F} \ln \left( \frac{c_e(L_e,0)}{c_e(0,t)} \right) + \frac{R_e^{avg} \cdot i_{app}(t)}{c_e} \tag{49} \]

where \( t_e^- = D_e^-/(D_e^+ + D_e^-) \) and \( i_{app} = A i_{app} \).

Finally, with \( c_e(L_e,t) = c_e^{surf}(t) \) and \( c_e(0,t) = 2c_e0 - c_e^{surf}(t) \), the expression of the mass-transfer overpotential (28) is obtained. Based on a similar procedure, the simplified expression of the mass-transfer overpotential (29) can be derived from (7) and (8) for the positive electrode.

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