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Lithium Battery Pack **Protection and Control**



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Lithium batteries market statistics and drivers

Market trends and drivers

Safety and ageing concerns in Lithium battery applications highlight the critical need for advanced protection and control solutions in the market.

Adoption of electric vehicles, both in the automotive and e-mobility sectors, is driving the demand for high-performance lithium battery solutions.

Lithium batteries are widely used in energy storage applications, from residential to grid-scale systems. With the growing emphasis on renewable energy sources and the need for reliable energy storage.

Increasing environmental regulations and a growing focus on sustainability are pushing manufacturers to develop more energy-efficient and eco-friendly battery solutions.

Estimated capacity of Lithium batteries growing at a ~28% CAGR (in gigawatt hours)





Littelfuse offers solutions for every battery system

Smart phones \rightarrow large eMobility batteries \rightarrow utility-grade systems



Small battery system application map



Common hazards related to Lithium battery systems



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Battery pack system architecture: small up to 60 V



overcurrent, under-temperature, and overtemperature.



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Features and benefits of Littelfuse products

	Technology	Function in application	Product series	Benefits	Features
1	NTC	Analog temperature monitoring to facilitate functional control of batteries	<u>KC</u>	Provides accurate temperature readings to enable safe device operation	Insulated lead wires; small form factor; fast thermal response
	TTape™	Managing battery lifetime and helping identify hazardous temperature levels	ΠP	Simple integration with existing BMS architectures + enables enhanced BMS control systems	Trip temperature of 58 ± 3 °C, up to 50 sensing points on one string; enable BMS wakeup and single GPIO port usage
	PPTC <i>OR</i> MHP	Cell-level protection; overtemperature and overcurrent protection at the cell level	OR <u>MHP-TAT18</u>	Low resistance to maximize battery life; suitable for automotive applications (AEC-Q200 qualified)	Compact, space-saving size; holds a current of up to 5.5 A; RoHs-compliant
				Allows ultra-thin battery pack designs; enhances battery safety in mobile devices; provides resettable protection, ensuring device longevity	9 VDC rating and high current capacity; multiple activation temperatures; UL-, CSA-, and IEC-evaluated
2	Fuse		<u>881, 688</u>	Reduces customer qualification time in compliance with third-party safety standards such as UL/IEC	Third-party compliance with UL/IEC, low internal resistance; shock-safe; vibration-resistant
	OR Battery Protector	Non-resettable overcurrent and overcharge protection (activated on demand)		Offers overcurrent and overcharge protection and controlled disconnection; can be activated by BMS	Surface-mountable; UL- and TUV-certified; three-pin device; controlled fusible element
3	Fuse <i>OR</i> PPTC	Non-resettable (Fuse) or resettable (PPTC) protection for Battery Management System MOSFET from high currents due to external shorts		Saves space with a smaller footprint	Surface-mountable; UL- and TUV-certified; three-pin device; controlled fusible element
				Reduces customer qualification time in compliance with third-party safety standards such as UL/IEC; allows compact design with SMD form factor	Surface-mountable; compatible with lead-free solder processes as per IEC standards; PPTC only for single-cell applications
	Current Sensing Resistor	Part of current measurement circuitry	L4CL	Cost-effective solution compared to competing technologies; compact size; late temperature de-rating	Tolerance down to 0.5%; separate voltage-sensing terminals; SMD form factor
4	TVS Diode	Protects battery packs from overvoltage conditions due to abnormal charging conditions	<u>SMF, SMF4L</u>	Improves system reliability by protecting downstream components from transients on power lines	Low profile with a maximum height of 1 mm; low leakage of 1.0 μA
5	PPTC	Overcurrent protection for TVS or Zener diodes	zeptoSMDC	Resets to normal operation after fault is cleared; saves space with a smaller footprint	Maximum electrical rating: 13 VDC; short circuit current: 82~200 mA; small footprint 0201 size
	TVS Diode Array	ESD protection of I ² C or other MCU/BMS ports	<u>SP1006</u>	Small, space-saving design prevents signal disruption with low capacitance	μ DFN-2 (0201) footprint; ±30 kV ESD withstand voltage





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Digital temperature monitoring for battery systems (TTape[™])



TTape[™] platform: overtemperature detection at each cell



- Detect dangerous hotspot due to cell imbalance, ageing, external heat, high load or fast charging
- Extends serviceable life of battery packs and adds safety:
 - Increase resolution of temperature monitoring areas, TTape[™] platform sensing points are on each cell
 - Monitors many cells/large areas using a single TTape device, thus saving processing power
 - Ultra-fast responses for quicker alerts
- Can wake BMS in-case of overtemperature
- No calibration + simple integration with BMS
- \leq 500 µm thin \rightarrow conformal installation

TTape[™] platform and ITV: monitoring for rechargeable Lithium batteries



* ITV - Three-terminal fuse. Third heater terminal activated by MOSFET.



- TTape[™] device detects the temperature of each battery cell and connects to battery protection IC
- When a cell's temperature exceeds limits, TTape[™] resistance change is recorded by MCU. MCU activate a cutoff mechanism (in this example MOSFET with ITV)
- The MCU could take other action based on the TTape[™] alert, such as initiating cooling systems or alerting users to potential safety issues.

TTape[™] platform and ITV: monitoring for Alkaline and primary Lithium batteries



* ITV - Three-terminal fuse. Third heater terminal activated by MOSFET.

- TTape[™] device detects the temperature of each battery cell and connects to comparator.
- The comparator evaluates this resistance change; if it indicates an overtemperature condition, device sends a signal to activate the MOSFET.
- The activated MOSFET then triggers the ITV (Three-terminal Fuse), which disconnect the power to the battery, preventing thermal runaway or potential battery damage.



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