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EVCC and **EVCC**-basic





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Overview

The Electric Vehicle Charge Controller (EVCC) controls the operation of a CAN enabled charger. Parameters including maximum voltage, maximum current, and total charge time are configured, saved in nonvolatile memory, and used during charging.

There are two models of the EVCC 3.0. This document describes both the standard EVCC 3.0 and the EVCC-basic 3.0. The standard EVCC has been optimized for use in Electric Vehicles and has support for the J1772 Level 2 charge protocol (both J1772 Type 1 and Type 2). The EVCC-basic is optimized for non-J1772 applications. There is a large overlap in capability and in this document, the term "EVCC" used without qualification applies to both models.

The EVCC has support for several CAN enabled chargers, including the Thunderstruck TSM2500 charger. Charge voltage, charge current, and overall charge time are controlled by the EVCC. A constant current/constant voltage (CCCV) charge curve is supported for Lithium Batteries, and a three-phase charge cycle is supported for Lead Acid Batteries.

The EVCC supports up to four parallel chargers for faster charging. When multiple chargers are configured, each charger is individually CAN addressed. Work is divided evenly between the chargers and statistics are gathered and recorded on each charger separately. Chargers may be configured for J1772 Type 2 multiple phase charging.

Determining cell overvoltage errors and cell undervoltage errors within the pack are functions of a Battery Management System (BMS). The EVCC can be configured to interface with a BMS either by a cell loop or by CAN messages. When a CAN BMS is used, the EVCC can also be configured to lower the charging current when a cell exceeds a configurable threshold.

Charging normally completes at the end of a charge cycle, which, for Lithium batteries, occurs when the pack voltage approaches the target maximum voltage and the charging current drops below a minimum configured charge current. The EVCC will also stop charging if the BMS reports an error, there is loss of communication between the EVCC and Charger or BMS, or the maximum configured charge time is reached. The standard EVCC will stop charging if the J1772 plug becomes unplugged.

Charging history is provided which records the reason that charging stopped, total charge time, maximum voltage, maximum current, final current, and watt hours delivered.

The standard EVCC and the EVCC-basic are both housed in a similar enclosure. Both models contain a serial port jack, an LED, and an 8-pin system connector. The standard EVCC has an additional 6-pin connector, which provides the connections necessary for J1772.

EVCC-basic

The figures below show the system diagram and connections for the EVCC-basic:



Figure 1 – EVCC-basic System Diagram

| GND |
|----------|
| +12V |
| P_Select |
| Loop1 |
| Loop2 |
| CANL |
| CANH |
| OUT1 |

Figure 2 – EVCC-basic Connections

- **GND** connects to Ground.
- **+12V** connects to switched 12V power.
- **P_Select** is a "charge profile" selection input which can be used to select charging parameters.
- Loop1 and Loop2 are used for the cell loop supervision circuit
- **CANH, CANL** connects to the CAN network
- **OUT1** is a mappable output.

Standard EVCC

The figures below show the system diagram and connections for the standard EVCC:



Figure 3 – Standard EVCC System Diagram



Figure 4 – Standard EVCC Connections

The connections for Connector A are the same for both the EVCC-basic and standard EVCC: the only difference is that pin 2 of Connector A has been renamed from +12V to **Ignition**. In both cases, this signal is connected to switched 12V power such as an EV keyswitch.

Connector B has the following additional connections:

- **+12V_IN** connects to "always on" 12V power
- **+12V_OUT** is a source of switched 12V power
- **Proximity** connects to the J1772 Proximity signal
- **Pilot** connects to the J1772 Pilot signal
- **OUT2** and **OUT3** are mappable outputs.

Installation and Theory of Operation

Mechanical

The EVCC enclosure is a Serpac WM010I, a 4.61 x 2.32 x 0.6 plastic enclosure with mounting flanges. The datasheet for the enclosure can be found at <u>http://www.serpac.com/userprints/wm010i_up_reva.pdf</u>.



Figure 5 – EVCC Enclosure

Connector A and Connector B are "push-in" connectors. These connectors accept 20-24 gauge stranded or solid wire; stranded 20 gauge wire is recommended. To make a connection, strip the wire back 1/4". Twist the wire end and insert. Be sure that all strands of wire get correctly inserted to prevent shorting between adjacent wires.



Figure 6 – Push-In Connector

Removing the wire from the connector requires a removal tool, supplied. To remove a wire, insert the tool into the associated slot above the wire and wiggle it in. This will collapse the spring holding the wire and the wire can be removed.

The connector part numbers are

- 8p Connector A
- 6p Connector B

Harting 14310813101000 Harting 14310613101000

Powering – EVCC-basic

The EVCC-basic will power up when 12V is applied to the +12V input and remains powered up until +12V is removed. When first powered on, the EVCC-basic will attempt a new charge cycle. If a charge completes, either normally or due to an error, then the EVCC-basic enters a STANDBY state.

A charge can be restarted by either powering the EVCC-basic or the charger. (The EVCC-basic monitors CAN messages from the charger and if they stop, and then start up again, the EVCC-basic assumes that the charger has been power cycled).

The EVCC-basic draws no current when off, and approximately 35ma when on.

Powering – Standard EVCC

The standard EVCC may be powered up by providing 12V to the **Ignition** input. The standard EVCC also has an "autostart" feature which powers up the EVCC when the J1772 charge plug is inserted. To support this feature a source of "always-on" 12V power is needed at the $+12V_{IN}$ connection.

When the standard EVCC powers on, it will attempt a new charge cycle if the J1772 cable is connected. If a charge completes, either normally or due to an error, the standard EVCC will attempt to power itself off. If the EVCC **Ignition** input is enabled, the standard EVCC will enter a DRIVE state. In order to reattempt charging, the J1772 charge cable must be removed and then re-inserted.

The standard EVCC provides a $+12V_OUT$ output which is enabled when the EVCC is powered up. This output may be used to power downstream devices such as a BMS, instrumentation, or a relay. This output is rated at 500ma.

The standard EVCC draws approximately 3ma when off, and approximately 35ma when on.

Profile Selection (P_Select)

Up to four charging profiles may be defined with the EVCC, numbered from 1 to 4. Each profile selects a distinct copy of charging parameters. By default, Profile 1 is created and is used by default. A new profile may be defined using the "**set profile**" command and then editing the charge parameters for that profile.

When charging, the **P_Select** input is used to select the profile. The EVCC measures the resistance to GND at this input and determines four possible selections: "inf", 20K, 5K, and "0". If the **P_Select** input is left unconnected, it will read "open" (or "infinite" resistance), and maps to "inf". If the **P_Select** input is shorted to ground it will measure "0". If a resistor is connected between the **P_Select** input and ground, the remaining two choices "20K" and "5K" can be selected. The EV designer may decide to leave this feature unused, connect the input to a switch to GND to enable two profiles, or connect it to a multi-position switch and a resistor network and enable up to four profiles.

That the four input values represent a "switch setting" and not a "profile number". The mapping from input value to profile number is done using the command "**set map**".

Cell Loop (Loop1, Loop2)

The EVCC is intended to be used with a Battery Management System that monitors per-cell over voltage conditions when charging and per-cell undervoltage when driving. A simple BMS interface may be provided using the Cell Loop "go/no-go" contact closure. The EVCC can monitor pack health using the CAN interface, instead of, or in addition to, using the Cell Loop. See the command "**set bms**".

WARNING: It is <u>strongly</u> recommended that per-cell monitoring be performed on the pack by a Battery Management System (BMS) so that charging can be stopped if any cell exceeds a high voltage or low voltage cutoff. Lithium batteries can be damaged and dangerous if overcharged or undercharged.

The Cell Loop may be configured in one of two ways.

By default, the Cell Loop circuit measures the resistance between **Loop1** and **Loop2**, by applying +5v to Cell Loop1, and checking for continuity. If there is continuity, then the loop is "good"; if the loop is open, it is "bad". It is expected that the Cell Loop be implemented using solid state relays or optoisolators. Connecting the cell loop to the contacts of a mechanical relay is not recommended, as the cell loop current is limited to about 2ma. Running low current through the contacts of a mechanical relay may result in erratic operation.

Alternately, the Cell Loop may be configured to use an open collector input, when the **loopground** option is enabled. With this option, Loop1 is left unconnected. The loop is "good" if Loop2 is grounded, and "bad" if Loop2 is disconnected or "high impedance". Note that the Orion BMS supports this type of output.

A cell loop error will result in the **BUZZER** indication, which may be directed to any of the mappable outputs.

CAN (CANH, CANL)

CAN is a robust communications protocol designed for automotive applications. CAN uses a two-wire interface; the signals are designated CANH ("CAN high") and CANL ("CAN low"). Not shown, but necessary, is that each node on the CAN network must share a common ground (e.g., chassis ground). A CAN network is a daisy-chain, multi-station network that must be terminated on both ends of the string by 1200hm termination resistors. The CAN protocol has sophisticated error detection and recovery mechanisms that allow for automatic retry and recovery as well as ways of detecting and isolating misbehaving nodes. See below for a simple network diagram.



Figure 7 – CAN Network Diagram

CAN wiring should be kept short and the conductors should be twisted. Wiring stubs between the CAN network and the node should be kept as short as possible, ideally less than a few inches. Network wiring

should be placed away from EMI (Electro-Magnetic Interference) such as the motor and controller, and parallel runs next to EV traction cabling should be avoided.

In a simple installation, there will be only two nodes on the CAN network: the charger and the EVCC, with a short and direct connection between the two. In this simple case, a short run of hand-twisted wire normally works fine. For longer runs, more nodes, or cases where EMI may be an issue, shielded cable may be used. In that case, the shield should be connected to chassis ground at a single place.

To simplify CAN network wiring, the EVCC contains an internal, configurable, CAN termination resistor. By default, this termination is <u>enabled</u>. (When the EVCC is used as an intermediate node, the termination resistor may be disabled by using the CLI command "**disable canterm**").

Some CAN devices contain an internal termination resistor and must be installed at the end of the CAN string. In order to verify the proper CAN terminations, make all connections and measure the resistance between CANH and CANL. The resistance between CANH and CANL should be 60 ohms, which indicates the presence of two 120 ohm resistors in parallel.

Note that the internal EVCC termination resistor is not bridged onto the CAN network unless the EVCC is powered up. This design choice covers the vast majority of installation scenarios¹.

CAN Protocol

The EVCC CAN interface supports 125kbps, 250kbps and 500kbp data rates and can support both Standard (11 bit) and Extended (29 bit) CAN Identifiers. The EVCC automatically sets the CAN data rate based on which charger is configured. The TSM2500 defaults to 250kbps, and ELCON chargers may use either 250kbps or 500kbps, depending on their factory settings. Support is also available for the Lear charger which, if enabled, automatically sets the CAN data rate to 500kbps. It is also possible to manually set the data rate (using the command "set canbr").

Usually two types of CAN messages are used to control a CAN enabled charger. The first, sent to the charger, provides the charger with the desired values of charge voltage and charge current, and the second message, sent from the charger, reports actual charging voltage, current, watts, status and temperature.

In most cases, EVCC/Charger CAN messages are sent approximately twice a second, both from the EVCC to the charger and from the charger to the EVCC. If the EVCC stops receiving periodic messages from the charger, charging will terminate with a termination reason of "Charger Rx Timeout".

The EVCC can also interpret BMS status messages that communicate BMS and pack status. BMS status can be used as an alternate to (or in addition with) the cell loop to indicate pack fault conditions. See *Integration with a CAN enabled BMS*, below, for more details.

CAN and Charger Message Trace

CAN messages may be lost or corrupted as the result of EMI, stubs that are too long, or improperly terminated cables. In order to verify correct operation, there is both low level tracing tracing ("**trace can**") as well as high level tracing ("**trace charger**") to show CAN message traffic. Enter "**tr off**" to stop the trace.

¹ The one exception is if the EVCC is a terminal node and the network needs to be active when the EVCC is powered down. In this case, the EVCC CAN termination resistor would not be enabled and network quality may suffer. In this case, the recommendation is to disable the termination resistor in the EVCC and connect a physical resistor instead.

J1772 Type 1

SAE J1772 defines the physical connector and protocols used between the charging station (the "Electric Vehicle Service Equipment"), and the Electric Vehicle. This protocol is commonly used in North America. The J1772 Type 2 standard (used elsewhere) is similar but has a different connector and supports 3 phase power. For details on J1772 Type 2, see Appendix below.

The **J1772 Proximity** signal indicates if the charger plug is "inserted" or "locked". The **J1772 Pilot** signal is used to determine available charging current and allows the EV to enable the EVSE to start or stop charging.

The figure below shows the J1772 EV side connector and locations of the J1772 Proximity and J1772 Pilot signals. These are connected directly to corresponding signals at the EVCC.

IMPORTANT: During installation, ensure that there is a good ground connection between the EV Chassis, J1772 Ground, and EVCC GND. A poor ground connection can result in nonoperation or erratic operation of the J1772 circuitry.



Figure 8 – Face of J1772 Type 1 Socket

The J1772 charge plug is a latching plug. When it is fully inserted and latched, it is "locked". When the charger release button is pressed (by thumb on the charger plug), the charge plug becomes "unlocked", or simply "connected". The **Proximity** signal allows the EV and the EVSE to determine whether the J1772 charge plug is "disconnected", "connected" or "locked". Should the plug become "unlocked" or "disconnected" while charging, charging will stop.

The **Proximity** signal allows the EV to implement "driveaway protection", which prevents the EV from being driven if the charge cable is still plugged in. If the charger plug is disconnected, the **EVSE_DISC** indication will be set. This indication can be mapped to any of the mappable outputs, which in turn, can be used to enable or disable the driving of the EV.

The **Pilot** signal allows the EVSE to advertise how much power is available for charging. The EVCC determines how much current is available from the line by measuring the duty cycle of the J1772 Pilot square wave. This can be used along with other configured information in the EVCC to determine the charging current. The **Pilot** signal also allows the EV to control when to enable charging. The EVCC controls when to

start and stop charging by switching an appropriate diode and resistor between the J1772 **Pilot** signal to GND. The EVSE monitors J1772 **Pilot** and only connects mains power if requested to do so. For more information on J1772 see <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SAE_J1772</u> and <u>https://code.google.com/p/open-evse/wiki/J1772Basics</u>).

Time of Use Charging

The EVCC supports "Time of Use" charging which allows the user to charge the EV during off-peak hours (where, presumably, electricity costs are lower). When Time of Use charging is used, the EVSE is on a timer which only connects it to mains power during off-peak times.

Upon charge plug insertion, the EVCC will autostart and perform a J1772 startup handshake with the EVSE and the chargers will power up. The EVSE then contacts the network and if decides to delay charging, it will abort the charge and then wait for the low-rate period to begin. When the time comes, the EVSE will restart the startup sequence.

The EVCC supports this operation with the configuration parameter evsewait. If this parameter is set, the EVCC will autostart, will "forgive" a short, aborted, charge such as described above, and then will wait for the charge to start later. The evsewait parameter specifies how many hours the EVCC should wait for a J1772 EVSE signal before starting a charge.

evcc> set evsewait 4.5

Mappable Outputs (OUT1, OUT2, OUT3)

The EVCC-basic supports one mappable output (OUT1), and the standard EVCC supports three mappable outputs (OUT1, OUT2 and OUT3).

When OFF, OUT1, OUT2, and OUT3 are all disconnected and high impedance. When ON,

- OUT1 is switched to 12V. This output is rated at 200ma.
- OUT2 is switched to ground. This output is rated to 200ma.
- OUT3 is switched to ground. This output is rated to 500ma.

The EVCC firmware there are several indications that can be flexibly mapped to these outputs. These are:

| Indication | Default | Function |
|------------|---------|--|
| LED | OUT1 | tracks the state of the EVCC LED |
| CHARGE | | ON when charging |
| EVSEDISC | OUT2 | ON when the J1772 cable is disconnected (standard EVCC only) |
| BUZZER | OUT3 | ON when the Pack is in HVC or LVC or the cell loop is not good |
| HVC | | ON when the Pack is in HVC (only available when using a CAN BMS) |
| LVC | | ON when the Pack is in LVC (only available when using a CAN BMS) |

See "set out<n>" below for examples on how to change this mapping.

LED Operation

The EVCC LED has the following blink patterns:

| Timeline (seconds) | 0 | .5 | 1 | 1.5 | 2 | 2.5 | 3 | 3. | 5 | |
|-------------------------|---|----|---|-----|---|-----|---|----|---|--------------------------------|
| DRIVE | | | | | | | | | | |
| No error | | | | | | | | | | solid ON |
| HVC, LVC, or Loop Error | | | | | | | | | | fast blink (4x/second) |
| Charge Failure | | | | | | | | | | long ON, short OFF |
| Warmdown | | | | | | | | | | slow short blink |
| CHARGE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Charging (profile 1) | | | | | | | | | | medium blink (1x/second) |
| Charging (profile 2) | | | | | | | | | | 1x short blink, 1 medium blink |
| Charging (profile 3) | | | | | | | | | | 2x short blink, 1 medium blink |
| Charging (profile 4) | | | | | | | | | | 3x short blink, 1 medium blink |
| BOOTLOADER | | | | | | | | | | |
| Waiting | | | | | | | | | | very slow blink (1x/4 seconds) |
| Loading | | | | | | | | | | very fast blink (>10x/second) |

Figure 9 – EVCC Blink Patterns

Serial Port

EVCC configuration is performed using a laptop and a USB to serial cable which connects to the EVCC using a 3.5mm jack. Before using the serial port, device drivers and a terminal program must be installed in the host computer. See the document <u>Serial Port Utilities Installation</u> for installation details. We also have a <u>YouTube video covering the installation of Putty</u>, which is a common terminal program.

Connect the serial cable to the EVCC. Apply power to the EVCC by providing a 12V supply to **12V** and **GND**. Connect +12V to **Ignition**. The EVCC **LED** should start blinking (assuming the cell loop has not been hooked up yet). If Putty is the terminal program used on the host computer, the following banner should be displayed:

| B | COM4 - PuTTY | | × |
|-----------------|---|--|--------|
| | | | ~ |
| | | | |
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At this point, the EVCC may be configured. Configuration is stored in non-volatile memory and retained across a power cycle. See below, *Command Line Interface*, for details on the commands and their syntax.

In addition to configuration, the EVCC firmware supports diagnostic commands to verify proper wiring, to trace CAN messages, and to retrieve charging history. The serial interface is used for configuration and debugging, but is not required for normal operation. Firmware upgrade is supported using the serial port, should that be necessary.

A bring-up checklist is provided below. The EVCC also has several diagnostic commands that can be used to verify proper wiring ("**measure**"), to trace messages ("**trace can**"), to trace EVCC internal state changes ("**trace state**") and to trace charger operation ("**trace charger**").

Charging

The EVCC is supplied with defaults, but at the very minimum, it will be necessary to specify the Maximum Charging Voltage and Maximum Charging Current.

WARNING: Lithium batteries can be dangerous if overcharged and it is strongly recommended that the user check with their battery supplier to determine appropriate charging parameters.

The maximum charging voltage (maxv) can be set using the "set maxv".

The maximum charging current can be done in several ways, described below:

1. Set maximum charging current, maxc, directly.

ChargeCurrent = **maxc**

2. Set the line voltage **linev** and maximum line current **linec**, do not configure **maxc**:

In this case, the user specifies available line voltage and line current from the service connection. In this case, the EVCC will perform a power calculation and calculate the maximum charging current. The EVCC derates line power by a nominal 90% charger efficiency, and then computes an appropriate value for ChargeCurrent.

ChargeCurrent = (**linev** * **linec** * .9)/ **maxv**

3. Set **linev**, **linec** and **maxc**

In this case the EVCC performs a power calculation and uses the minimum of power available and **maxc**.

ChargeCurrent = min (maxc, (linev * linec * .9)/ maxv)

4. Set linec to "J1772", do not configure linev or maxc.

In this case, the EVCC uses the J1772 Pilot signal duty cycle and converts it to available charge current (per J1772 this is given as 6A of charge current per 10% duty cycle). Since line voltage is not known, the EVCC uses the following rule. If the duty cycle is > 25% then the line voltage is assumed to be 220V, and if the duty cycle is less than 25%, then the line voltage is assumed to be 110V.

ChargeCurrent = (220 * (DutyCycle * 6) * .9) / maxv; if DutyCycle > 25 = (110 * (DutyCycle * 6) * .9) / maxv; if DutyCycle <= 25 These design assumptions are driven by what is currently available in the market today in North America. EVSE equipment typically of two types: one that connects at 220V, rated at 30A, with a 50% duty cycle. The second type of equipment connects at 110V, rated at 12A, with a 20% duty cycle.

5. Set linec to "J1772", set linev, do not configure maxc

In this case, the user specifies available line current to be "J1772", and specifies the line voltage. This case is similar to the previous, however line voltage is now known.

ChargeCurrent = (**linev** * (DutyCycle * 6) * .9) / **maxv**

Note that these calculations determine the current and voltage targets requested from the charger. The power capability of the charger is not configured in the EVCC and the EVCC may request more than the charger can deliver; if the requested power exceeds what the charger can deliver, charger firmware will typically reduce delivered current in order to stay within its power limits.

Examples of Using Different Charge Profiles

Suppose a user wants to use different EVSE charging stations: a primary EVSE at home capable of 220V at 30A, a secondary EVSE capable of 110V at 15A, and also wants the ability to do J1772 opportunity charging in general.

This could be configured in the EVSE with three charge profiles:

| Profile 1: | Primary EVSE. Define maxv, linev=220, linec=30 |
|------------|--|
| Profile 2: | Secondary EVSE. Define maxv, linev=110, linec=15 |

Profile 3: Opportunity Charging. Define **maxv**, **linec=J1772**

The section *Charging Lead Acid Batteries*, below, describes the EVCC support for Sealed Lead Acid batteries. For SLA batteries, the EVCC supports a three-phase charging algorithm. The first phase (the "bulk" phase) is used by both Lithium and SLA batteries. The remaining phases, "finishing" and "float" have target voltage and current limits (**fin_maxv**, **fin_maxc**, **flt_maxv**, **flt_maxc**). The discussion above about voltage and current calculation applies equally to these two additional SLA charging phases, simply replace "xxx maxv" and "xxx maxc" for "maxv" and "maxc".

Charger Support

This section describes charger support by the EVCC. In EVCC terminology a "charger type" refers to both the charger model number and its unique CAN address.

TSM2500

See the <u>TSM2500 Series High Efficiency Intelligent Charger, ThunderStruck User Manual Ver 1.0.8</u> for additional information.

The CAN connections vary between charger manufacture dates, as noted in the manual. CANL is commonly wired with a blue/white wire, and CANH is wired with a green/white wire).

Required connections include the AC input, DC output and CAN connections. Other connections provided with the charger are redundant or optional. The TSM2500 charger does not have an integrated termination resistor (however a 120 ohm termination resistor may have been provided by Thunderstruck in the equipment box). If the EVCC is used with a BMS, these two devices can provide the required terminations.

The charger is configured with a default CAN address. However, when using multiple chargers in an installation, the CAN address can be reprogrammed. The procedure to program the addresses is described below, *Setting the CAN address of a TSM2500 Charger*. Note that address programming for multiple chargers may have been done at Thunderstruck as part of the order.

The EVCC defines the following TSM2500 charger types:

- tsm2500 default
- tsm2500_41
- tsm2500_42
- tsm2500_43

The default value for tsm2500 chargers is "40". (Which is to say, the EVCC uses the CAN address 0x18e54024 for messages TO the charger and 0x18eb2440 FROM the charger to the EVCC).

The TSM2500 can report the following errors reported in the "trace charger" output:

- rxerr
- hwfail
- overtemp
- not charging
- input voltage err
- pack voltage err

ELCON PFC and UHF

In order to support a CAN interface, Elcon PFC chargers must programmed with the CAN option and a external Elcon-provided CAN module is needed. The CAN module has two pins provided for the CANH and CANL connections and does not contain an integrated termination resistor.

Elcon UHF chargers have integrated canbus communication. See the applicable Elcon manuals for details.

The CAN addresses of the Elcon chargers are determined by their canbus programming. In order to change the CAN address, the charger must be re-programmed by Elcon.

The EVCC supports the following Elcon charger canbus IDs and applicable EVCC setting for each.

- elcon
- elcon_e7
- elcon_e8
- elcon_e9

The default value for ELCON chargers is "E5". (Which is to say, the EVCC uses the CAN address 1806**e5**f4 for messages TO the charger and 18ff50**e5** FROM the charger to the EVCC).

The ELCON charger can report the following errors reported in the "trace charger" output:

- rxerr
- hwfail

- overtemp
- input voltage err
- pack voltage err

STEALTH

The EVCC supports the Stealth charger. This charger uses a CAN message format similar to the Elcon chargers.

LEAR

The EVCC supports some Lear chargers. This support is limited to the "control message" to the charger with CAN ID "0x00000050" and the status message from the charger with CAN ID "0x00000617". It has been found that not all Lear chargers use these messages due to different firmware and may not support this message set.

The EVCC only defines a single lear charger type, named "lear". Note that the Lear charger runs at a CAN rate of 500kbps.

VOLT

Volt chargers are made by Lear, however they have different canbus message requirements so are handled as an independent charger by the EVCC. These chargers are configured by entering "set charger volt" in the EVCC. The EVCC only defines a single Volt charger.

BASIC

The EVCC supports a "basic" non-CAN controlled charger. This type of charger is configured by entering "set charger basic" in the EVCC. A BASIC charger starts charging when it gets line power. J1772 is supported: the charge cycle starts with the charge plug is inserted; the pilot diode will be enabled to enable the EVSE. The EVCC will stop charging if there is a BMS error, the charge plug is disconnected, or the termt limit is exceeded. The parameters maxv, maxc, and termt have no effect. A charge history is kept, however, charge voltage current and watt hours will be 0.

Bring-up Checklist and Troubleshooting Hints

EV Installation

- 1) Install serial port drivers and terminal program on a host computer. Connect the USB to serial cable.
- 2) Connect $+12v_{IN}$ (standard EVCC) to the +12v bus.
- 3) Connect GND. Connect battery to +12V (EVCC basic) or Ignition (standard EVCC).
- 4) This should power up the EVCC and it will start to blink its LED. Verify that the serial port "comes up" and that a startup banner is printed.

Verify Loop (if using the cell loop)

- 1) With no connections to the cell loop, type "measure loop" and verify that the reading is < 0.2V
- 2) Connect the cell loop, type "**measure loop**" to verify that the reading is >4.8V

Verify P_Select (if using the Profile Select)

1) Type "**measure pselect**" with different switch settings to verify that the hardware is correctly reading the inputs.

Verify J1772 (if using the standard EVCC)

- 1) Remove +12V from Ignition / power down the EVCC
- 2) Connect +12V_IN
- 3) Connect Proximity, Pilot, GND to the charge plug
- 4) Plug in J1772 Plug, verify that the EVCC autostarts. The LED should start blinking and the EVCC banner should print on the serial port.

5) Assuming the CAN bus is not connected to the charger, the charge cycle should stop after 10-15 seconds and the EVCC will power itself down.

Verify Charger and CAN

- 1) Connect CAN between Charger and EVCC. Verify proper installation of the CAN termination resistors.
- 2) Power up the EVCC and configure initial charging parameters. Set maxv and maxc. See text.
- 3) Connect line power to e charger. If J1772 is used, this will come from the J1772 plug.
- 4) Power up the EVCC either by autostarting the EVCC (plug in the J1772 plug) or by applying +12V.
- 5) Now verify that a charge cycle is started and that messages are exchanged between EVCC and Charger. (Use "**trace charger**" or "**trace can**" to view the messages).
- 6) If the pack is not yet connected to the Charger, the charge cycle will stop after a minute.
- 7) If the charger fan starts and then stops, a Red/Grn/Yel/Yel/Yel light pattern may show on the charger. In this case, check the canbus wires for security and polarity. Check power input and output connections and voltage.

BMS Integration

- 1) Connect +12V_OUT to power the BMS (standard EVCC).
- 2) Enable the bms in the EVCC by entering "set bms bmsc".
- 3) Verify proper bms / EVCC CAN communication by entering "show" in the evcc note the BMS status.

Systems Test

- 1) Configure profiles, charge parameters, and verify proper operation.
- 2) If J1772 is being used, verify that releasing the plug latch stops charging
- 3) Run a charge cycle. Check results using "trace charger" while charging and "show history" when complete.
- 4) Enter "tr off" to stop the tracing output.

Firmware Upgrade

The EVCC firmware may be upgraded by the customer using the serial port. See the document See the document <u>Serial Port Utilities Installation</u> for details on loading the drivers and on the firmware upgrade process. Contact Thunderstruck if a firmware upgrade is needed.

Command Line Interface

Startup Banner

When the EVCC is powered up when connected to a computer interface, it will print something similar to the following:

help

The **help** command prints out command help.

```
|CHARGER|CHARGER2|CHARGER3|CHARGER4
      |PROfile|MAP
      |EVSEWAIT
      |LINEV|LINEC
      |MAXV|MAXC|MAXBC|TERMC|TERMT
      |FIN MAXV|FIN MAXC|FIN TERMT
      |FLT MAXV|FLT MAXC|FLT TERMT
      | DDTYPE | DDVOLTAGE
     1
REset [History|PROFILE|CONFIG]
      history - reset charge history
      profile <n> - deletes a charge profile
config - set configuration to defaults
ENable [CANTERM}TOPBALANCE|LOOPGROUND|J1772T2|SLOWSTART|IGNORETHCENSUS]
      canterm - enable CAN termination resistor
      topbalance- cell HVC stops current but not charging
      loopground- loop OK if loop2 grounded
      j1772t2 - J1772 Type 2
      slowstart - wait up to 40 secs for the charger to start
      evsewait - wait for PILOT before charging
      ignorethcensus - ignore thermistor census error when charging
DISable [CANTERM|TOPBALANCE|LOOPGROUND|J1772T2|SLOWSTART|IGNORETHCENSUS]
TRace [CHarger|CANbus|STate|OFF]
      charger - trace charger messages
      canbus - trace canbus messages
state - trace EVCC state changes
off - disable all tracing
MEasure [LOOP|PROXimity|PSELect]
      loop - measure Cell Loop A/D
      proximity - measure J1772 Proximity A/D
      pselect - measure Profile Selection A/D
                - performs a firmware upgrade
UPGRADE
```

In many cases, either a full version or an abbreviated version of a command (or command parameter) can be used. This is shown in the "help" with the use of uppercase and lowercase letters. For example, the abbreviation for **show** is **sh**, and the abbreviation for **show** config is **sh** c.

show

The **show** command displays configured parameters or status. If "show" is entered without parameters, current status will be displayed.

In the Drive state, the EVCC monitors the cell loop and sets the BUZZER indication when the cell loop opens.

```
evcc> show
state : DRIVE
cell loop: OK
proximity: EVSE not connected
OUT1 : OFF - LED
OUT2 : ON - EVSEDISC
OUT3 : OFF - BUZZER
uptime : 0 hour(s), 0 minute(s), 33 second(s)
```

If, instead, the bms configuration is set to "bmsc" instead of "loop", the output would be the following:

```
evcc> set bms bmsc
evcc> show
state : DRIVE
bmsc : OK
proximity: EVSE not connected
OUT1 : OFF - LED
OUT2 : ON - EVSEDISC
OUT3 : OFF - BUZZER
uptime : 0 hour(s), 0 minute(s), 33 second(s)
```

In the CHARGE state, the EV is charging.

```
evcc> show
state : CHARGE
cell loop: OK
proximity: EVSE Connected and locked
buzzer : OFF
J1772 : duty cycle= 50%, line current available= 30.0A
charger : tsm2500
status : 14 msgs sent; 11 msgs received
voltage: 53.4V
current: 1.9A
charge : 0.12Wh
uptime : 0 hour(s), 2 minute(s), 0 second(s)
```

show version

The version command displays firmware version number and build date.

```
evcc> show version
    version : v3.1.9; Sep 17 2021 05:57:11
evcc>
```

show config

The **show config** command displays configuration parameters. The default configuration output of **show config** is the following:

| evcc> show | config |
|------------|--|
| bms | : loop |
| canbr | : 250kbps |
| OUT1 | : LED |
| OUT2 | : EVSEDISC |
| OUT3 | : BUZZER |
| charger | : tsm2500 |
| maxv | : 20.0V |
| maxc | : 2.0A |
| termc | : 2.0A |
| termt | : 72.0hr |
| options | : canterm (CAN termination resistor enabled) |

The output of **show config** becomes progressively more complex as more features are enabled. If only one charge profile is defined, the full set of configured parameters is given below:

- bms the bms type(s) (none or one or more of loop, bmsc, bmsc2, bmsc3, bmsc4)
- canbr configured can baud rate
- OUT1 mappings for OUT1 (none or LED, HVC, LVC, CHARGE, BUZZER, EVSEDISC)

| • | OUT2 | - mapping for OUT2 (standard EVCC only) |
|---|------------|---|
| • | OUT 3 | - mapping for OUT3 (standard EVCC only) |
| • | charger | - the configured charger type |
| • | charger2 | - (if configured) types of chargers2 |
| • | charger3 | - (if configured) type of chargers3 |
| • | charger4 | - (if configured) type of chargers4 |
| • | evsewait | - (if configured) time to wait for pilot signal |
| • | linev | - (if configured) line voltage of service connection |
| • | linec | - (if configured) line current of service connection |
| • | maxv | - maximum charging voltage (in Volts). |
| • | maxc | - maximum charging current (in Amps). |
| • | maxbc | - (if configured) maximum balance current |
| • | termc | - terminating charging current (in Amps). |
| • | termt | - maximum charging time (in hours). |
| • | fin maxv | - (if configured) finishing charge voltage (for SLA charging) |
| | _ | Note: must be at least 1 volt higher than maxv) |
| • | fin_maxc | - (if configured) finishing charge time (in hours, for SLA charging) |
| • | fin_termt | - (if configured) finishing charge current (for SLA charging) |
| • | flt_maxv | - (if configured) float charge voltage (for SLA charging) |
| • | flt_maxc | - (if configured) float charge current (for SLA charging) |
| • | flt_termt | - (if configured) float charge time (in hours, for SLA charging) |
| • | profile ma | p- (if configured) profile setting to profile |
| • | options | - canterm (if enabled) can termination resistor enabled |
| | | - topbalance (if enabled) enable 'top balance' feature |
| | | - loopground (if enabled) enables open collector cell loop surveillance |
| | | - j1772t2 (if enabled) enables J1772 Type 2 operation |

- slowstart (if enabled) waits up to 40secs for charger to start
- ignorethcensus (if enabled) thermistor census alerts do not stop charging

An example of a full output with all options is shown below:

evcc> show c
 bms : loop
 charger : tsm2500
 charger2 : tsm2500_42
 charger3 : tsm2500_43
 charger4 : elcon
 evsewait: 4.0hr
 linev : 220.0V
 linec : 30.0A
 maxv : 155.0V
 maxc : 15.0A
 maxbc : 2.0A
 termc : 1.5A
 termt : 6.0hr
 fin_maxv : 152.0V
 fin_termt: 2.0hr
 flt_maxc : 1.5A
 flt_termt: inf

| options | : canterm (CAN termination resistor enabled} | |
|---------|--|--|
| | : topbalance (cell HVC stops current but not charging) | |
| | : loopground (loop OK if loop2 grounded) | |
| | : j1772t2 (interpret proximity input per J1772 Type 2) | |
| | : slowstart (wait up to 40 secs for charger to start) | |
| | : ignorethcensus (ignore thermistor census errors when charging) | |

If more than one charge profile is defined, **show config** will display the charge profiles in "tabular form". The charge profile selected for editing is indicated with a "*". Also, the profile map is shown.

Example output with multiple charge profiles is shown below:

| evcc> snow | С | _ | | | |
|------------|----|----------|--------|---|---|
| bms | : | loop | | | |
| charger | : | tsm2500 | | | |
| profiles | | : 1 | 2* | 3 | 4 |
| linev | | : 220.0V | | | |
| linec | | : 30.0A | J1772 | | |
| maxv | | : 155.0V | 152.0V | | |
| maxc | | : 15.0A | 10.0A | | |
| maxbc | | : 2.0A | | | |
| termc | | : 1.5A | 1.5A | | |
| termt | | : 6.0hr | 8.0hr | | |
| fin max | v | : 160.0V | | | |
| fin max | С | : 2.0A | | | |
| fin ter | mt | : 2.0hr | | | |
| flt max | v | : 152.0V | | | |
| flt max | С | : 1.5A | | | |
| flt_ter | mt | : inf | | | |
| profile m | ap | : | | | |
| inf | | : x | | | |
| 20K | | : x | | | |
| 5K | | : x | | | |
| 0 | | : | х | | |

show history

The show history command displays data about the last sixteen charge cycles. See also reset history, below.

In the first example, the system has no charge history.

```
evcc> show history
no charge history
```

The next example shows charge history, with different "termination reasons". The termination reason contains the reason that the charge cycle stopped. In this example, in the most recent charge attempt, the user disconnected the J1772 plug one minute after charging started. (EVSE disc, 1 mins). The previous attempt ("-1") shows a normal charge completion with a charge time of 214 minutes and includes the number of watt hours delivered.

evcc> show history

| | term | charge | | | watt | maximum | maximum | ending |
|----------|-----------|--------|---------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| num | reason | time | charger | | hours | voltage | current | current |
| last 1 | EVSE disc | 1 mins | tsm2500 | | 7Wh | 148.9V | 7.9A | 7.9A |

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```
3249Wh| 152.9V |
                                                         7.9A |
                                                                  0.5A |
  - 1 | normal | 214 mins|tsm2500
                                    - 2 | EVSE disc| 1 mins|tsm2500
                                          0Wh| 144.8V |
                                                         0.0A |
                                                                  0.0A |
                                  - 3 | comm err | 0 mins|tsm2500
                                          0Wh| 0.0V |
                                                         0.0A |
                                  1
                                                                  0.0A |
evcc>
```

The full set of "term reason" codes is:

- EVSE disc J1772 charge plug became unlocked while charging
- no pilot control pilot timeout
- cell loop a cell loop error was detected
- pack disc no pack was detected
- not locked BMS cell configuration not locked
- HVC BMS reported a cell HVC error
- cellcensus BMS reported fault: cell census (not all cells present)
 - th census BMS reported fault: thermistor census (not all thermistors present)
 - overtemp BMS reported fault: thermistor over temperature
- bmstimeout BMS communication error
 - comm err communications error with the charger
 - timeout the maximum charge time was reached
 - chargestop charger message timeout (possibly due to loss of line power)
 - normal normal completion (charge current is less than terminating charging current)
- fin normal normal termination of finishing charge

When multiple chargers are configured, the format of the charge history is modified to show the contribution of each charger.

evcc> show history

| num | | term reason | | charge time charge | r | watt hours | maximum voltage | maximum current | ending current |
|------|------|----------------|---|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| last | | EVSE dis | c | 2 mins tsm2500 tsm2500_ | 42 | 6Wh 6Wh | 127.8V 127.5V | 2.2A 2.0A | A0.0 A0.0 |
| | | | | TOTAL | | 12Wh | 127.8V | 4.2A | 0.0A |

set

This command sets the configurable parameters. For voltage and current, whole numbers (145) or decimal numbers (145.2) can be entered. The EVCC supports one decimal digit of precision.

set <>

Using the **set** with no parameters will print help for the "set" command. The following example shows this output for the EVCC standard.

```
evcc> set

SEt [

BMS|CANBR|OUT1|OUT2|OUT3

|CHARGER|CHARGER2|CHARGER3|CHARGER4

|PROfile|MAP

|EVSEWAIT

|LINEV|LINEC

|MAXV|MAXC|MAXBC|TERMC|TERMT

|FIN_MAXV|FIN_MAXC|FIN_TERMT

|FLT MAXV|FLT MAXC|FLT TERMT
```

```
|DDTYPE|DDVOLTAGE
 1
bms configuration
  set bms [NONE|<bmsn>[,<bmsn>[,<bmsn>]]]
      <br/>
<br/>
- [LOOP|BMSC|BMSC2|BMSC3|BMSC4]
CAN baud rate
  set canbr [125|250|500]
OUT<n> mapping
  set out<n> [NONE|LED|HVC|LVC|CHARGE|BUZZER|EVSEDISC]
evse wait time
  set evsewait <h>
charger configuration
  set <chargern> <type> [<phase>] - defines <chargern>
      <chargern> - [CHARGER|CHARGER2|CHARGER3|CHARGER4]
                    - [TSM2500|TSM2500 41|TSM2500 42|TSM2500 43
      <type>
                        |ELCON|ELCON E7|ELCON E8|ELCON E9
                        |STEALTH|LEAR|VOLT
                        |BASIC|NONE]
      <phase>
                     - [L1|L2|L3|NONE]
  set <chargern> <type> PROGRAM - programs tsm2500 CAN IDs
profile editing
  set profile [1|2|3|4] - set profile for editing
  set map [inf|20K|5K|0|all] <n>
                      - set profile mapping
Service parameters
  set linev <v> - available line voltage
  set linec [<a>|J1772] - available line current
BULK charge parameters
 set maxv <v> - maximum charge voltage
set maxc <a> - maximum charge current
set maxbc <a> - maximum balancing current
set termc <a> - charge termination current
set termt <h> - charge termination timeout
FINISH charge parameters
  set fin maxv <v> - finishing charge voltage
  set fin maxc <a> - finishing charge current
  set fin termt <h> - finishing charge termination timeout
FLOAT charge parameters
  set flt_maxv <v> - float charge voltage
  set flt maxc <a> - float charge current
  set flt termt <h> - float charge termination timeout (0=no timeout)
dc/dc converter
  set ddtype [NONE|VOLT|DELPHI] - set dc/dc converter type
  set ddvoltage <v> - dc/dc output voltage
```

set bms

This command sets the BMS type. The EVCC can use a cell loop and/or up to four CAN BMSs.

The following example just sets the bms type to be the cell loop. evcc> set bms loop

The next example sets the bms to use CAN messaging. evcc> set bms bmsc

The next example enables two BMSCs: bmsc and bmsc2. evcc> set bms bmsc, bmsc2

set canbr

This command sets the can baud rate. The EVCC supports 125kbps, 250kbps, and 500kbps. Note that the can baud rate is automatically set based on some charger types, however the rate be overridden by this command. Always verify this setting if charger is not communicating.

evcc> set canbr 500

set out1 (set out2, set out3)

This command sets the output mapping. Note that OUT1, OUT2, and OUT3 have different hardware capabilities and must be wired appropriately.

The EVCC-basic only supports OUT1, and supports the mappable functions of LED, HVC, LVC, CHARGE, and BUZZER.

evcc> set out1
SEt OUTn [NONE|LED|HVC|LVC|CHARGE|BUZZER]
evcc> set out1 buzzer
evcc>

The EVCC-basic supports OUT1, OUT1 and OUT3. It supports the mappable functions of LED, HVC, LVC, CHARGE, BUZZER, and EVSEDISC.

evcc> set out1 evsedisc
evcc>

set charger<n>

This sets the charger type. The first charger is named "charger". Chargers 2 through 4 are named "charger2", "charger3", "charger4".

The following command sets a single charger

evcc> set charger tsm2500

The following command sets a second charger

evcc> set charger2 tsm2500_42

A charger may be deleted using the command

evcc> set charger2 none

This command is also used to associate a phase with a charger, which is used with J1772 Type 2 charging. the charger type. The following example defines three chargers and associates each of them with a different phase.

```
evcc> set charger tsm2500 L1
evcc> set charger2 tsm2500_41 L2
evcc> set charger3 tsm2500_42 L3
```

The phase association may be reset to "none" using the command:

evcc> set charger tsm2500 none

set evsewait

This sets the time in hours, to wait for the pilot signal for Time of Use charging. To disable this feature, set the evsewait parameter to 0.

evcc> set evsewait 4.5

set profile <n>

This command selects a profile for editing. There are four possible profiles: 1-4. Profile 1 is automatically created. It is the default profile and cannot be deleted. If the user types "**set profile** $\langle n \rangle$ ", then this will both select a profile for editing and create the profile if it does not already exist. Once a profile is selected, then subsequent editing commands (e.g., **set maxv**, etc.) apply to the parameters associated with the profile. Profiles 2-4 may be deleted using the command "**reset profile** $\langle n \rangle$ ".

Examples of creating and editing profiles:

This is the default configuration:

| evcc> show | C | onfig |
|------------|---|---------|
| bms | : | loop |
| charger | : | tsm2500 |
| maxv | : | 20.0V |
| maxc | : | 2.0A |
| termc | : | 0.2A |
| termt | : | 72.0hr |
| evcc> | | |

This command creates Profile 2 with default configuration:

```
evcc> set profile 2
evcc> show c
 bms : loop
 charger : tsm2500
                          2*
                                   3
 profiles : 1
                                             4
   maxv : 20.0V
                        20.0V
   maxc
           : 2.0A
                        2.0A
   termc : 0.2A
termt : 72.0hr
                        0.2A
                        72.0hr
profile map:
   inf
            :
                Х
   20K
            :
                x
   5K
           :
                Х
   0
           :
                Х
```

Now set some parameters in Profile 2:

| evcc> set r | naxv | 150 | | | |
|-------------|------|--------|--------|---|---|
| evcc> set r | naxc | 12 | | | |
| evcc> show | conf | ig | | | |
| bms | : lo | op | | | |
| charger | : ts | m2500 | | | |
| profiles | : | 1 | 2* | 3 | 4 |
| maxv | : | 20.0V | 150.0V | | |
| maxc | : | 2.0A | 12.0A | | |
| termc | : | 0.2A | 0.2A | | |
| termt | : | 72.0hr | 72.0hr | | |

| map: | | |
|------|------|----------------|
| | : | Х |
| | : | х |
| | : | х |
| | : | х |
| | map: | map: : : |

Now return to Profile 1 and set some parameters in Profile 1:

| evcc> set p | rofi | le 1 | | | |
|-------------|------|---------|--------|---|---|
| evcc> set m | axv | 160 | | | |
| evcc> set m | axc | 15 | | | |
| evcc> set 1 | inec | ; j1772 | | | |
| evcc> show | conf | ig | | | |
| bms | : 10 | pop | | | |
| charger | : ts | sm2500 | | | |
| profiles | : | 1* | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| linec | : | J1772 | | | |
| maxv | : | 160.0V | 150.0V | | |
| maxc | : | 15.0A | 12.0A | | |
| termc | : | 0.2A | 0.2A | | |
| termt | : | 72.0hr | 72.0hr | | |
| profile map | : | | | | |
| inf | : | х | | | |
| 20K | : | х | | | |
| 5K | : | x | | | |
| 0 | : | х | | | |

Finally, delete Profile 2:

evcc> reset profile 2 evcc> show config bms : loop charger : tsm2500 linec : J1772 maxv : 160.0V maxc : 15.0A termc : 0.2A termt : 72.0hr

set map

This command sets the profile map. The EVCC measures resistance to ground at the P_Select input and from the measurement determines four possible choices, as follows:

| R >= 30K | the result is "inf" |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 30K > R >= 10K | the result is "20K" |
| 10K > R >= 2K | the result is "5K" |
| 20K > R | the result is "0" |

Each P_Select range is mapped to a profile using the profile map. Initially everything is mapped to the default profile, Profile 1. If the user wants to use two profiles, a switch to ground may be connected at the P_Select input. If the switch is open then Profile 1 is used and if the switch is closed, then Profile 2 is used. Once Profile 2 is defined, this may be configured as follows:

evcc> set map 0 2 evcc> show config bms : loop

| tsm2 | 500 | | | |
|------|---|--|---|--|
| : | 1 | 2* | 3 | |
| : J | 1772 | | | |
| : 16 | V0.0 | 150.0V | | |
| : 1 | 5.0A | 12.0A | | |
| : | 0.2A | 0.2A | | |
| : 7 | 2.0hr | 72.0hr | | |
| | | | | |
| : | Х | | | |
| : | Х | | | |
| : | х | | | |
| : | | Х | | |
| | tsm2 : J : 16 : 1 : 7 : 7 : | tsm2500 : 1 : J1772 : 160.0V : 15.0A : 0.2A : 72.0hr : x : x : x : x | tsm2500 : 1 2* : J1772 : 160.0V 150.0V : 15.0A 12.0A : 0.2A 0.2A : 72.0hr 72.0hr : x : x : x : x : x | tsm2500 : 1 2* 3 : J1772 : 160.0V 150.0V : 15.0A 12.0A : 0.2A 0.2A : 72.0hr 72.0hr : x : x : x : x |

If a third profile were to be defined, a switchable resistor would be required at the P_Select input. The CLI command to enable the mapping from a 5K resistor to Profile 3 would be:

4

evcc> set map 5K 3

set linev, set linec

This sets the maximum line voltage and line current available.

evcc> set linev 110
evcc> set linec 12.5

Note that the set linec command has "j1772" as an option. In this case, the J1772 duty cycle will be used to determine available line current.

evcc> set linec j1772

set maxv, set maxc

The command **set maxv** sets the maximum charging voltage, in Volts. The command **set maxc** sets the maximum charging current, in Amps.

evcc> set maxv 155.0 evcc> set maxc 8.5

set maxbc

This sets the maximum balancing charging current, in Amps. This option is only possible if a CAN BMS is used and it sends a "BVC threshold exceeded" indication to the EVCC. For the Thunderstruck BMS, entering "set byc 3.5" would tell the EVCC to reduce charge current when the highest cell voltage reached 3.5 volts.

evcc> set maxbc 2.0

set termc

This sets the termination charging current, in Amps. If the current drops below this setpoint then the charging stops.

evcc> set termc .5

set termt

This sets the maximum charging time, in hours.

evcc> set termt 6.5

set fin_maxv, set fin_maxc, set fin_termt

These commands are used to define the "finishing charge" phase voltage, current, and charge time for Sealed Lead Acid battery charging. See below, *Charging Lead Acid Batteries*, for examples of use.

set flt_maxv, set flt_maxc, set flt_termt

These commands are used to define the "float charge" phase voltage, current, and charge time for Sealed Lead Acid battery charging. See below, *Charging Lead Acid Batteries*, for examples of use.

set ddtype, set ddvoltage

These commands are used to enable CAN messages to control a DC/DC converter. The Volt and Delphi converters are currently supported. Example commands are below:

```
evcc> set ddtype volt
evcc> set ddvoltage 13.2
```

A DC/DC converter can be deleted using the command

```
evcc> set ddtype none
```

reset

reset history The **reset history** command resets the charge history.

```
evcc> reset history
charge history has been reset
evcc>
```

reset profile <n>

The reset profile command can be used to delete Profiles 2-4. It is not possible to delete Profile 1.

evcc> reset profile 3

reset config

The reset config command can be used to return all settings to factory defaults

```
evcc> reset config
done!
evcc>
```

enable | disable

The EVCC supports several options that may be "enabled" and "disabled". Options that are "enabled" are shown in the **show config** output.

enable | disable canterm

The EVCC contains an integrated, and programmable CAN termination resistor. By default, this termination resistor is enabled. In order to enable this termination resistor, use the command:

```
evcc> enable canterm
```

In order to disable this option, use the **disable canterm** command.

enable | disable topbalance

Normally, the charging cycle terminates when the cell loop opens or when the BMS indicates a pack HVC condition. Some customers may not want to completely stop charging at this stage: instead they may want to suspend charging, allow the pack to "rest" and for the HVC condition to clear, and to resume charging. The theory is that lower charged cells may be topped up with this process. In this case, the cell loop / HVC condition does not stop charging.

evcc> enable topbalance

In order to disable this option, and return the EVCC to default behavior, use the **disable topbalance** command.

enable | disable loopground

Setting this option will change the method of loop supervision. With the "loopground" option the Cell Loop is considered good if there is a ground on Loop2. (High Impedance means that the cell loop is not good). With this option, Loop1 must be left unconnected.

```
evcc> enable loopground
```

In order to disable this option, and return the EVCC to default behavior, use the **disable loopground** command.

enable | disable j1772t2

Setting this option will enable J1772 Type 2 operation. This option affects the interpretation of the proximity resistor input.

evcc> enable j1772t2

In order to disable this option, and return the EVCC to default behavior, use the disable j1772t2 command.

enable | disable slowstart

Setting this option will enable the "slowstart" option. If this option is enabled, the EVCC will wait up to 40 seconds for the charger to become active.

evcc> enable slowstart

In order to disable this option, and return the EVCC to default behavior, use the **disable slowstart** command.

enable | disable ignorethcensus

Setting this option will enable the "ignorethcensuss" option. If this option is enabled, the EVCC ignore thermistor census errors from the BMS.

evcc> enable ignorethcensus

In order to disable this option, and return the EVCC to default behavior, use the **disable ignorethcensus** command.

trace

The **trace** command enables various forms of message or state tracing. These commands show a timestamp (uptime) and can be useful for logging or debugging. CHARGER, STATE, and CAN tracing may be independently enabled.

Trace configuration is stored in EEPROM and is present after reboot.

trace charger

The **trace charger** command displays messages from the charger. This trace also shows the current number of charging watts and the accumulated watt-hours of charge.

```
evcc> trace charger
charger tracing is now ON
evcc> 00:08:22.7 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 0.96, TMP = 26C
00:08:23.1 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.12, TMP = 26C
00:08:23.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.28, TMP = 26C
00:08:24.1 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.45, TMP = 26C
00:08:24.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.61, TMP = 26C
00:08:25.1 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.77, TMP = 26C
00:08:25.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 1.93, TMP = 26C
00:08:26.1 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.08, TMP = 26C
00:08:26.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.25, TMP = 26C
00:08:27.1 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.41, TMP = 26C
00:08:27.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.57, TMP = 26C
00:08:28.0 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.73, TMP = 26C
00:08:28.6 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 2.89, TMP = 26C
00:08:29.0 V=148.6, A= 7.9, W=1173, Wh= 3.05, TMP = 26C
00:08:29.6 V=148.9, A= 7.9, W=1176, Wh= 3.22, TMP = 26C
```

trace can

The **trace canbus** command displays canbus messages to and from the charger. Each line gives a timestamp, the originator of the message (if known), the CAN ID and CAN message contents, in hexadecimal.

```
evcc> trace can
canbus tracing is now ON
                     evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
evcc> 00:02:20.9
00:02:21.4 evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:21.9
               evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:22.4 evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:22.5 tsm2500 : 18eb2440 42 f7 41 fd 00 fe 12 dd
00:02:22.9 evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:22.9 tsm2500 : 18eb2440 04 fd 13 02 80 0c 3f ff
00:02:23.4 evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:23.5 tsm2500 : 18eb2440 00 fc 13 02 80 0c 3f ff
                evcc: 18e54024 fc c8 00 6c 0c 01 ff ff
00:02:23.9
00:02:23.9 tsm2500 : 18eb2440 00 fc 13 02 80 0c 3f ff
```

trace state

The **trace state** command displays internal EVCC state transitions. For the standard EVCC, there is also J1772 state.

Here is an example of state trace output that shows the charger plug being plugged in and unplugged, also showing the attempt to charge.

```
evcc> trace state
state tracing is now ON
evcc>
evcc> 00:00:31.7 j1772=LOCKED
00:00:31.7 old state=DRIVE, new state=WARMUP, term rsn=0
00:00:31.8 old state=WARMUP, new state=CHARGE, term rsn=0
00:00:52.2 j1772=CONNECTED
00:00:52.3 j1772=WAITING FOR DISC
00:00:52.4 old state=CHARGE, new state=STANDBY, term rsn=EVSE UNLOCKED
00:00:56.1 j1772=DISCONNECTED
00:00:57.4 old state=STANDBY, new state=DRIVE, term rsn=0
```

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The list of EVCC state values is:

| • WARNUP | state just after power up |
|------------------------------------|--|
| CHARGE | charging – bulk charge phase |
| FINISH CHARGE | charging – finish charge phase |
| FLOAT CHARGE | charging – float charge phase |
| CHARGE/TOPBALANCE | topbalance – waiting for cells to drop below HVC |
| • STANDBY | standby state |
| • EVSE_WAIT | waiting for control Pilot |
| • DRIVE | drive state – standard EVCC only |
| The list of J1772 state values is: | |
| DISCONNECTED | charge plug is not plugged in |

| • | CONNECTED |
|---|-----------|

- LOCKED
- WAITING FOR DISC

charge plug is plugged in but not "locked" charge plug is plugged in and "locked" charge plug was LOCKED, is now CONNECTED now waiting for it to be completely removed

trace off

The trace off command turns off all tracing.

```
evcc> tr off
all tracing is now OFF
```

measure

The **measure** command is used to verify the A/D inputs. When this command is issued, the EVCC will repeatedly measure and print the value of an analog input. The command will run for 30 seconds and then automatically turn itself off. Alternately, the user can stop the command by typing any character.

The measure command with no parameters will display the expected values of the A/D inputs.

```
evcc> measure

This command repeatedly shows an analog input for 30 seconds.

Press any key to stop display

The following values are expected

loop - Cell Loop A/D

V \ge 2.5V - 0K

proximity - J1772 Proximity A/D

V \ge 4.0V - disconnected

4.0 > V \ge 1.2V - connected

else - locked
```

```
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```

```
pselect - Profile Selection A/D

R \ge 30K - inf

30K > R \ge 10K - 20K

10K > R \ge 2K - 5K

2K > R - 0
```

evcc>

measure loop

The **measure loop** command gives a real time measurement of the **cell loop**.

evcc> **measure loop** evcc> Loop A/D= 4.97V Loop A/D= 4.97V Loop A/D= 4.97V Loop A/D= 4.97V Loop A/D= 4.97V

measure proximity

The measure proximity command gives a real time measurement of the Proximity input.

In the example given below, both the **measure proximity** and **trace state** commands are enabled. Initially the J1772 charge plug is disconnected (measurement is 4.67V), then it becomes locked (measurement is 0.86V), then connected and unlocked (1.97V), and then finally, disconnected.

```
evcc> trace state
state tracing is now ON
evcc> me prox
evcc> Proximity A/D= 4.67V
Proximity A/D= 0.86V
00:05:02.4 j1772=LOCKED
00:05:02.4 old state=DRIVE, new state=WARMUP, term rsn=0
00:05:02.5 old state=WARMUP, new state=CHARGE, term rsn=0
Proximity A/D= 0.86V
Proximity A/D= 0.85V
Proximity A/D= 0.86V
Proximity A/D= 1.97V
00:05:05.6 j1772=CONNECTED
00:05:05.7 j1772=WAITING FOR DISC
00:05:05.8 old state=CHARGE, new state=STANDBY, term rsn=EVSE UNLOCKED
Proximity A/D= 1.96V
Proximity A/D= 1.96V
```

```
Proximity A/D= 1.97V

Proximity A/D= 1.97V

Proximity A/D= 1.97V

Proximity A/D= 4.67V

00:05:07.9 j1772=DISCONNECTED

Proximity A/D= 4.68V

Proximity A/D= 4.67V

Proximity A/D= 4.67V

00:05:10.8 old state=STANDBY, new state=DRIVE, term rsn=0
```

measure pselect

The **measure pselect** command gives a real time measurement of the **P_Select** input. Note that this output is reported in resistance.

```
evcc> me pselect
evcc> Pselect A/D= inf
```

upgrade

The **upgrade** command is used to perform a firmware upgrade. This command will place the EVCC into the serial bootloader state, waiting for the load to begin. The EVCC must be power cycled in order to leave this state. See *Firmware Upgrade*, for a description of how to perform a firmware upgrade.

evcc> upgrade

```
***
*** Starting EVCC Upgrade
***
*** 1) Exit from the terminal application
***
*** 2) Start the bootloader and download a new .hex file
***
3) Restart the EVCC
***
```

Configuring the EVCC with Multiple Chargers

Up to four chargers can be used in parallel for faster charging. A logical picture is shown in the diagram below.



Figure 10 – Multiple Chargers - System Diagram

If J1772 is used, there is a single J1772 interface for line power which feeds all chargers. The chargers are in parallel and they charge a single pack. All chargers are placed on the CANBUS. There is a single EVCC and it communicates with the chargers independently. (Also shown on the CANBUS is a CAN enabled BMS, optionally present).

There are several design considerations when installing multiple chargers. Two chargers require more power than a single charger. One must verify that adequate line power is available. With more CAN nodes, the CAN wiring is no longer simply point to point and installation must be done with care. Each charger requires a unique CAN ID. Each charger must be explicitly configured.

Line Power

The EVCC assumes that the service can provide 220V at 30A. Power calculations are needed to make sure that there is sufficient power available to power all chargers. A 220V / 30A circuit has 6600Watts available. Two 3.0 Kw chargers running at full power can be placed on the line, but three chargers cannot. (In contrast, a 110V / 15A circuit only has 1650Watts available).

CAN Wiring and Addressing

See the section on CANBUS, above, for general guidelines. When installing multiple chargers, care must be taken that termination resistors are properly placed. Keep in mind that some chargers have a termination resistor installed in the charger, and so that charger must be at the end of the CAN string.

Each charger must have a unique CAN address. See the section *Charger Support* for information on how to determine the charger CAN address and change it if necessary.

EVCC Configuration

The EVCC supports up to four chargers (named: charger, charger2, charger3, and charger4). Chargers are defined in the EVCC using the set charger command. When a charger is configured, it is set to

a "charger type", which indicates both the manufacturer and its CAN address. It is possible to have chargers from multiple manufacturers (e.g., one ELCON and one TSM2500) at the same time.

The following example defines a single charger and sets its type to tsm2500:

```
evcc> set charger tsm2500
evcc> show config
  bms : loop
  charger : tsm2500
  maxv : 158.0V
  maxc : 12.0A
  termc : 0.5A
  termt : 72.0hr
evcc>
```

This example defines a second charger, and sets its type to tsm2500_42.

```
evcc> set charger2 tsm2500_42
evcc> show config
  bms : loop
  charger : tsm2500
  charger2 : tsm2500_42
  maxv : 158.0V
  maxc : 12.0A
  termc : 0.5A
  termt : 72.0hr
evcc>
```

A charger can be deleted by setting the type to "none".

evcc> set charger2 none

Charging

When charging with multiple chargers, maxc is divided by the number of chargers and given to each charger. So here is an example of charger tracing when maxc is set to 12A. Note that 6A goes to both TSM2500 and TSM2500_42. Note that "trace charger" reports the status of the charger ... and that voltage, current, watts, and watt hours may be slightly different.

```
evcc> trace charger
charger tracing is now ON
00:10:28.8 tsm2500_42: V=126.0, A= 5.8, W=730, Wh= 0.10, TMP = 26C
00:10:28.9 tsm2500 : V=126.3, A= 5.9, W=745, Wh= 0.09, TMP = 26C
00:10:29.3 tsm2500_42: V=126.6, A= 5.7, W=721, Wh= 0.19, TMP = 26C
00:10:29.3 tsm2500 : V=126.6, A= 5.8, W=734, Wh= 0.19, TMP = 26C
00:10:29.8 tsm2500_42: V=127.2, A= 5.9, W=750, Wh= 0.30, TMP = 26C
```

Setting the CAN address of a TSM2500 Charger

This section describes how to set the CAN addresses of a tsm2500 charger.

For this procedure, the charger can either be directly connected to mains power, or can be installed in the vehicle and the J1772 charge plug can be used to supply line power. When doing this procedure, insure that only one charger is powered.

In this example, we want to define a second charger as type tsm2500_42. In order to program the charger, it is necessary to use the **program** keyword.

To do this, power up the EVCC by keyswitch. Then type the following command:

evcc> set charger2 tsm2500_42 program

The EVCC will then print

*** tsm2500 PROGRAMMING *** *** WARNING: This command changes the CAN IDs of a tsm2500 charger *** *** ONLY ONE tsm2500 charger should be powered up at this time *** ***

If you type "y", the EVCC then prints

Programming the charger ...

and then 5-10 seconds later it prints

```
Programming the charger ... done.
The charger must now be power cycled.
evcc>
```

At that point the new charger will be programmed to tsm2500_42 and it will be configured in the evcc as "charger2".

Integration with CAN Enabled BMS

The EVCC can be used with a CAN enabled Battery Management System which shares canbus commands with the EVCC. The following functions are supported:

- **High Voltage Cutoff (HVC) Detection**. In this case, the BMS detects that at least one cell has exceeded its programmed High Voltage Cutoff limit. If this occurs, the BMS sends a message to the EVCC which causes the EVCC to stop charging.
- **Balance Voltage Cutoff (BVC) Detection**. In this case, the BMS detects that at least one cell has exceeded its programmed Balance Cutoff limit. If this occurs, the BMS sends a message to the EVCC that it should reduce its charging current to the maximum balancing current (**maxbc**). Lowering the charging current allows current cell balancers to prevent additional charging of the highest cells in the pack.
- Low Voltage Cutoff (LVC) Detection. In this case, the BMS detects that at least one cell voltage is less than its programmed Low Voltage Cutoff limit. If this occurs, the BMS sends a message to the EVCC which causes the EVCC to operate the buzzer.
- **Thermistor Overtemp Detection**. In this case, the BMS detects that at least one thermistor is overtemperature. The EVCC will stop charging.

BMS Configuration

The programming of the actual HVC, BVC, and LVC are done in the BMS. The BMS must determine if any cell in the pack meets these conditions and if so, it sets a bit associated with each of these conditions. This information is sent in a message from the BMS to the EVCC; the message must be periodically sent at least once a second.

```
/*
* The EVCC supports 250kbps CAN data rate and 29 bit identifiers
*/
#define uint8 unsigned char
/*
* BMS->EVCC message Identifier
*/
#define BMS EVCC STATUS IND
                             0x01dd0001
/* bBMSStatusFlag bits */
#define BMS STATUS CELL HVC FLAG
                                         0x01 /* set if a cell is > HVC */
#define BMS STATUS CELL LVC FLAG
                                         0x02 /* set if a cell is < LVC */
#define BMS STATUS CELL BVC FLAG
                                         0x04 /* set if a cell is > BVC */
/* bBMSFault bits */
#define BMS FAULT OVERTEMP FLAG
                                         0x04 /* set for thermistor overtemp */
/*
* BMS->EVCC message body
*/
typedef struct tBMS EVCC StatusInd
 {
   uint8 bBMSStatusFlags; /* see bit definitions above */
   uint8 bBmsId;
                           /* reserved, set to 0
                                                         */
   uint8 bBMSFault;
   uint8 bReserved2;
                          /* reserved, set to 0
                                                         * /
   uint8 bReserved3;
                           /* reserved, set to 0
                                                         */
} tBMS EVCC StatusInd;
```

Note that the CAN message only has a 5 byte message body, up to 8 bytes may be sent to the EVCC. These bytes should be set to 0 if so. The EVCC will ignore additional message bytes.

EVCC Configuration

In order to use the CAN interface with the BMS, it must be configured in the EVCC, using the **set bms bmsc** command. It is possible to configure the EVCC to only use **loop**, only use **can**, or use both **loop** and **can**.

If the EVCC is configured to only use **loop**, then if the loop circuit is closed then the pack is error free; if the loop circuit is open, HVC is assumed if in CHARGE state and LVC is assumed if in DRIVE state.

If the EVCC is configured to use only **can**, then pack status is taken from the BMS_EVCC_STATUS_IND message. Note that the message also supports the BVC condition (which the loop does not). If that is reported, then the EVCC will drop back into balance cutback. If there is a message timeout and BMS_EVCC_STATUS_IND does not arrive, then this is treated as a pack error (e.g., HVC and LVC are assumed).

If both **loop** and **can** are configured then an error results if either input reports an error. So, in this case, charging will stop if the loop opens, the CAN message indicates HVC, or there is a CAN message timeout.

Motor Controllers and Other Canbus Devices

The EVCC is not programmed to respond to many canbus devices including EV motor controllers. It is possible, however, to use the EVCC outputs to indirectly control enable/disable inputs to a motor controller if available. If a controller has a "limp mode" input then the EVCC could indirectly trigger a low power state if the BMS sends a LVC flag to the EVCC during operation.

For example, the following command would cause Out1 to output 12v if the BMS reported an LVC condition. This could trigger a low current relay to open or close an applicable controller input.

evcc> set out1 lvc

Charging Lead Acid Batteries

Lead Acid Batteries require a multi-stage charging algorithm. The terminology to describe the algorithms varies in the industry and between manufacturers. Here we follow the documentation and requirements from Trojan. See https://www.trojanbattery.com/pdf/TrojanBattery_UsersGuide.pdf.

As an example consider a EV pack that consists of 12 Trojan 30XHS deep cycle flooded batteries, charging at 25°C (77°F). See the following from <u>http://www.trojanbattery.com/pdf/TRJN0111_ProdSpecGuide.pdf</u>. For reference, the C₂₀ rating of 30XHS batteries is 130AH (this number comes in handy below).



Note: Charging time will vary depending on battery size, charger output, and depth of discharge.

Figure 11 – Flooded Lead Acid Charging Profile (Trojan)

Bulk Charge

The first phase of charging is the Bulk Charge phase. (Note that the Bulk Charge phase is sometimes thought of as two phases: a constant current phase and a constant voltage phase). The EVCC supports this phase by the parameters **maxv** and **maxc**. This phase is used by battery types including flooded, AGM, and Gel.

See Figure 10, above. For flooded cells, the Bulk Charge phase brings the cells to over 90% state of charge. For its cells, Trojan recommends a maximum voltage of 2.35 to 2.45v per cell, and a current of 10-13% C_{20} . The bulk charge phase completes when the charging current drops to 1-3% of C_{20} .

In the example of twelve 30XHS cells, here are suggested EVCC settings:

- maxv=172.8: The charging voltage would be 2.4v * 6 cells * 12 batteries = 172.8v.
- maxc=13: Since 30XHS cells have a C₂₀ rating of 130AH, the charging current would be 13A.
- termc=2.6: The guidelines are 1-3% of C_{20} . 2.6A is 2% of the C_{20} rating of 30XHS.
- **termt=480**: (10 hours). This parameter is a failsafe; the actual time of charge will depend on depth of discharge. In 10 hours, this would allow 13A*10H =130 AH to be delivered to the batteries.

Finishing Charge

For Lead Acid batteries, the second phase of charging is the "finishing charge" or "absorption charge" phase. The EVCC will only enter the finishing charge phase if the bulk charging phase completes successfully, if **termc** is reached. If the bulk charge phase terminates because of a charging timeout [**termt**], then this is considered an unsuccessful termination. The finishing phase will be skipped unless **fin_maxv** is configured to be at least one volt greater than **maxv**. For its cells, Trojan recommends a maximum voltage of 2.45 to 2.79v per cell, and a current limit of 1-3% of C_{20} . This phase completes when the charging voltage rises to the target finishing voltage.

In the example of twelve 30XHS cells, here are suggested EVCC settings:

- **fin_maxv=187.2**: The finishing voltage would be 2.6v * 6 cells * 12 batteries = 187.2v.
- **fin_maxc=2.6**: Note that this is the same as the termc setting above.
- **fin_termt=480**: (2 hours). fin_termt may be set to "0" (or "forever") but if it is set to a finite time, is a failsafe on this charging phase.

Float Charge

Once Lead Acid batteries are charged, they may be kept on a "float charge" or "trickle charge". Lead Acid batteries have a relatively high self-discharge rate and this phase keeps them topped up if the EV sits for an extended period of nonuse.

For its cells, Trojan recommends a float voltage of 2.2v per cell. A current limit is not explicitly specified.

In the example of twelve 30XHS cells, here are suggested EVCC settings:

- **flt_maxv=158.4**: The float voltage would be 2.2v * 6 cells * 12 batteries = 158.4v.
- **flt_maxc=2.6**: Note that this is the same as the termc setting, above.
- **flt_termt=0**: No timeout

Limitations

The EVCC does not support "equalization charge". This type of charging purposely overcharges the batteries in order to balance the cells. Higher charge cells bubble off excess charge as hydrogen gas, and lower charged cells "catch up".

Temperature sensors are not supported in the EVCC, so the EVCC does not perform temperature compensated charging. The examples assume charging at a constant 25°C in a well ventilated area.

DISCLAIMER: This is an example only. These instructions do not cover all details or variations in the equipment and do not claim to provide for every possible contingency met in connection with installation, operation, or maintenance. It is strongly recommended that the user check with their battery supplier to determine appropriate charging parameters.

Charging Lithium-Ion Batteries

Lithium-ion battery packs are typically charged using a Constant Current to Constant Voltage (CCCV) profile. In this profile, a constant current is applied as the voltage rises until a maximum voltage setting for the pack, and then the charge controller holds the charger output voltage to that value while it reduces current in order to maintain that voltage. The charge is terminated when the charge current has reduced to the termination current setting in the charge controller.

Typically, a lithium-ion pack is made up of individual cells placed in a series string to produce the desired pack voltage. The amp hour rating of a single series string of cells is the same as each individual cell, so if a string of 100 amp hour cells will have the same amp hour rating no matter how many cells are in series.

Lithium-ion cells are very efficient energy storage devices when compared to lead acid batteries. However, they are much more sensitive to charge voltage, and can be damaged or catch fire if not maintained properly. A Battery Management System (BMS) is a safety system attached to a lithium ion battery pack to monitor that cell voltages remain within the manufacturer's specifications.

Smaller cells can be combined in parallel (connecting like poles) until the desired amp hour rating is achieved, and then identical groups are added in series to reach the desired pack voltage. In this case, each parallel group can be considered a single cell for BMS connections.

A typical Lithium Iron Phosphate (LiFePO4) cell may have a maximum charge voltage of 3.6 volts. A 48v nominal pack is constructed by adding 16 of this type of cell in series. The maximum pack voltage in this case will be: 3.6 volts x 16 cells = 57.6 volts.

Because lithium cells tend to change voltage very quickly at the end of a charge cycle, the charge controller (EVCC) is typically set to a target voltage slightly below the manufacturer's recommended maximum. For instance, if the EVCC is set to a maximum voltage (maxv) of 3.45 volts per cell, then the constant voltage phase of the charge cycle may be completed without exceeding the maximum cell voltage of any cell. In this case, the maximum charge voltage is calculated as follows: 3.45 volts x 16 cells = 55.2 volts.

J1772 Type 2

The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) has adopted and extended the SAE J1772 standard for use internationally. In its IEC 62196 standard, several charging plug types are defined. "IEC 62196 Type 1" uses the same plug and signaling protocols as SAE J1772. "IEC 62196 Type 2" largely uses the same protocols as SAE J1772 but uses a different plug that allows for either one or three phase charging. This plug is commonly known as the "Mennekes" plug, as it was first developed by Mennekes Elektrotechnik GmbH, of Germany.

The face of the connector socket is shown below.





The Type 2 connector allows the EVSE to provide either one- or three-phase power. It largely uses the same signaling protocols (e.g., Pilot and Proximity) as J1772 Type 1, and if only one-phase power is needed, a simple adapter cable can be used that mechanically converts from one connector to the other. The following table lists the J1772 Type 2 signals and shows how they correspond to the J1772 signals.

| J1772 T2 | J1772 T2 Signal | J1772 Signal |
|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| Abbreviation | | |
| PP | Plug Present | Proximity |
| СР | Control Pilot | Pilot |
| PE | Protective Earth | Ground |
| Ν | Neutral | Power |
| L1 | Phase 1 | Power |
| L2 | Phase 2 | n/a |
| L3 | Phase 3 | n/a |

J1772 Type 2 Proximity

In J1772 Type 2, the charge cable does not have a pushbutton connector lock, so the cable is either "disconnected" or "connected".

For J1772 Type 1 EVSEs, the charge cable is usually supplied with the EVSE, however for Type 2 the EV owner can often provide the charge cable. Different charge cables are rated at different line currents; the current rating of the charge cable is indicated to the EV by means of the Proximity Pilot resistor.

The standard J1772 Type 2 Proximity resistor values are:

| Cable Rating | Proximity Resistor |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| 13A | 1.5 K |
| 20A | $680 \ \Omega$ |
| 32A | 220 Ω |
| 63A | 100 Ω |

In order to interpret these values correctly (and to enable the autostart circuit, described below), it is necessary to enable the J1772 Type 2 operation, using the command:

evcc> enable j1772t2

The EVCC has a supervisory circuit which monitors for a change in the Proximity resistor value and in a normal installation, the EVCC automatically powers itself up when the charge cable is inserted. The autostart circuit will work correctly for proximity resistor values of 680 Ω or less.

NOTE: Autostart will not work for a J1772 Type 2 13A cable. To charging with a 13A cable the user must install the cable and then apply power to the KeySwitch EVCC input. This will power up the EVCC and charging will start.

J1772 Type 2 Charging

This section describes differences between legacy J1772 charging and J1772 Type 2 charging.

With legacy J1772, one-phase power is assumed. The parameter linec is set to J1772, and the parameter linev can be configured to 110 or 220 (or it may be left unconfigured, in which case the EVCC will use guidelines [good for North America!] that determine the line voltage based on the duty-cycle indicated line current). The EVCC will then perform a power calculation to determine how many watts can be drawn from the line.

With **J1772 Type 2**, three-phase power is assumed. The phase associated with each charger is configured to be L1, L2 or L3. The parameter **linec** should be set to **J1772**, and the parameter **linev** should be configured. The pilot duty cycle determines the line current available <u>per-phase</u>. This value may be reduced based on the ampacity of the charge cable, as determined by the Proximity resistor reading. A power calculation is done to determine how many watts can be drawn <u>from each phase</u>.

After the line power calculation is performed, the EVCC calculates how much charging current is available per-phase.

Example power calculation (line voltage = 220V, 30A available per phase, 310V pack):

- 220V * 30A = 6600 Watts available per phase.
- As a safety factor, this is derated 10%, so the EVCC assumes that 6600 660 = 5940 Watts are available.
- Calculated charge current is 5940W / 310V = 19.2A.

The per-phase charging current is then divided by the number of chargers configured per-phase. In the example, if one charger is on phase 1 it will receive 19.2A, and if two chargers are on phase 2, they will each receive 19.2 / 2 = 9.6A.



Figure 13 - Wiring J1772 Type 2 with One Phase Power



Figure 14 - Wiring J1772 Type 2 with Three Phase Power

Differences between EVCC 2.4 and EVCC 3.0

EVCC-basic Changes

The EVCC-basic is new for EVCC 3.0. EVCC-basic uses the STANDBY state and does not use the DRIVE state.

Mappable Outputs

The EVCC 2.4 had three fixed outputs:

- Ext_Ind 12V, 500ma output.
- PackFault 12V, 500ma output.
- OKToDrive Open collector, 500ma.

The EVCC3.0 has three mappable outputs:

- OUT1 12V, 500ma output.
- OUT2 Open collector, 200ma.
- OUT3 Open collector, 500ma.

Tracked the EVCC LED Enabled if Cell Loop was open or BMS HVC or LVC Grounded when J1772 plug is not connected.

Default is LED (same as EXT_IND) Default is J1772_DISCONNECTED (same as OKToDrive) Default is BUZZER (same as PackFault)

Command Line Changes

The EVCC 2.4 syntax uses "set" and "reset" to set the options (extindcharge, canterm, topbalance, loopground).

The EVCC 3.0 syntax uses "**enable**" and "**disable**" to set the options (**canterm**, **topbalance**, **loopground**). The option extindcharge has been removed from EVCC 3.0 as it can be enabled using the mappable outputs.

The EVCC 2.4 syntax to set the CAN BMS is "set bms [can | can2 | can3 | can4]". The EVCC 3.0 syntax to set the CAN BMS is "set bms [bmsc | bmsc2 | bmsc3 | bmsc4]".

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