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By adding 1 wt% damage homogenizer (DH), i.e. carbon black microparticles, into the electrodes of lithium-ion batteries, thermal runaway can be mitigated as the battery cells are subjected to impact loadings. In a drop tower test, the generated heat of the modified cells is reduced by nearly 40%, compared with the reference cells. This phenomenon may be attributed to the weakening effect of the carbon black fillers. The shape of the filler grains does not have a pronounced influence on the temperature profile.

Keywords: Lithium-ion battery; Thermal runaway; Micro-particulate; Nail; Impact

1. Introduction

For a large number of engineering applications, among the relevant energy storage approaches, lithium (Li) ion batteries are of the highest specific energy and the lowest specific cost [1]. For instance, by using the BacPac model [2], it can be assessed that at the cell level, a $\text{LiNi}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.3}\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ (NMC-532) battery costs ~110 \$/(kW h) and stores ~200 W h/kg. Compared with lead-acid and nickel-metal hydride (NiMH) batteries, the specific cost is lower and the

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