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Controlling the temperature build-up in electrode-sealed coin-shaped batteries via designing central heat dissipator

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ABSTRACT

Nowadays, the ever-increasing demand for the computational power in the calculators, watches and LED lights require higher consumption rate from their portable energy source, which is typically coin-shaped batteries. The required power generates and accumulates a large amount of heat, which is a critical safety concern due to flammability of the included organic electrolytes. When heat dissipation is minimal from the electrode surface, the packaging boundary remains the sole heat transfer medium. In such case, although the center carries a minimal real estate compared to the rest of the electrode surface, the heat gets trapped, due to having the lowest reach to the heat-dissipating boundaries. For this purpose, a central heat sink component is anticipated for the coin-shaped batteries and the temperature profile across the cell is analytically derived. Subsequently, the role of the sink thermal conductivity and its scale as well as the thermal conduction of the boundary on the formation of steady state temperature profile has been analyzed. More specifically, the location of the maximum temperature r_{max} and its value T_{max} is obtained and verified versus the extreme values of the thermal conductivities, the areal ratio of the heat sink, and the current density. The obtained results could be useful for the cost-effective design of the packaging materials (i.e. sustainable plastics and bio-degradable) with limited heat dissipation for the rechargeable batteries, particularly during the high power applications, in the presence of highly flammable electrolytes.

1. Introduction

Throughout the last few years, the technological advancement for the silicon-based portables has been trending at exponential rates [1]. Moreover, the environmental consequences of using traditional fossil fuels demands a new electric powered age with the introduction of hybrid and electric automotive industry [2–4]. Hence, it is imperative to equip such devices/vehicles with the highest possible energy density, to be usable over an extensive period [5,6]. In this regard, rechargeable lithium-based battery offers a clean and dense source of electric energy, which operates fundamentally via chemical reactions to generate electric current and posses the scalability and possibility to optimize comfort [7,8].

However, such exothermic reaction could lead to ignition, if not dissipated properly or when overcharged [9], and not only is the source of safety hazards [10], but also degrades the charge capacity and overall battery life [11]. In order to overcome such problem, several techniques have been developed and utilized, including forced convection [12], packaging design [13], calorimetry [14,

15], real time temperature monitoring [16,17], heat flux measurement [18], overcharge-analysis [19] and respective irregularities [20], inclusion of phase change materials (PCM) [4,21], bio-inspired micro-capsules [22], concentrated electrolytes [23], discharge method [24], capacity decay [25], developing machine learning method for estimating state of health [26], temperature range [27] and limit [28] for healthy operation, temperature-concentration [29] and temperature-resistance [30,31] and temperature-charge rate correlation [32], environmental temperature [33], and high Biot number applications [31, 34].

In particular, the design works on thermal management include, packing [35], designing heat-dissipating mini-channels [36], adding heat pipe [37], heat treatment for re-cycling [38], material selection and operational rate [39–41], packing allocation [42], designing temperature resilient electrolytes [43], adaptive heat management [44,45], larger-scale convection cooling [46] and adopting cost-effective and material-compatible geometrical design [47]. However,

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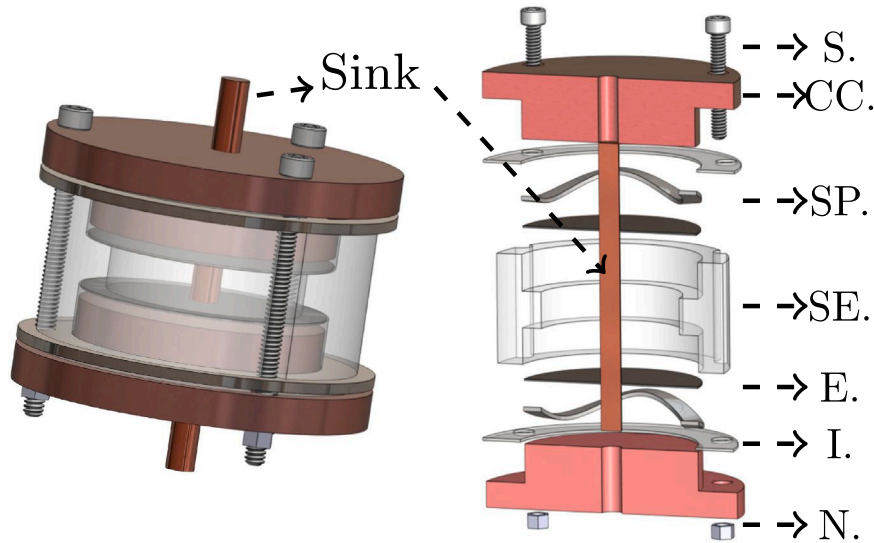


Fig. 1. The design for heat sink component to dissipate the heat generated in the central zone. Left: The packed battery illustrating the stuck-out heat sink component. Right: the exploded view of the components. S: screw, CC: current collector, SP: spring, SE: separator, E: electrode, I: insulator, N: nuts. When electrodes are thermally sealed, the dissipation of the generated heat occurs either through the center via the heat sink component (i.e. inner boundary: κ_I) or the from the separator walls (i.e. outer boundary: κ_O).

the overheating and ignition when warming up to the vicinity of the flash point temperature, remains a vital problem to overcome and optimize.

More specifically, the battery cells of coin (i.e. circular) geometry have been explored for heat generation using different discharge rates [48], utilizing infrared thermal imaging [49], micro-calorimetry [18], differential scanning calorimeter (DSC) and accelerating rate calorimeter (ARC) [50]. In particular, the heat treatment has been used for recycling of the active materials in coin cells illustrating the efficacy of heat on electrode [51]. However almost all the heat measurements have been for the entire battery as a whole and no local and on-spot measurements have been performed for predicting the spatial heat distribution of the coin shaped battery cells.

In this paper, we tackle into the most critical heat zone of the battery which is the center of the electrode [52] that carries the least heat dissipation rate due to its highest proximity from the boundaries [53]. Incorporating a rod of a limited conductivity as a heat sink, it can collect the central thermal energy and fork it out locally. Subsequently, we explore the role of the material type, current density and the relative scale of the heat sink component in the formation of the steady-state temperature profile. We establish the correlation of the materials, charging rate and geometry with the maximum temperature value, which helps to avoid the flash point of the electrolyte. The inclusion of the heat-sink stems the use of low heat-diffusivity sustainable packaging materials, that are recyclable and economical [54,55].

2. Methodology

The generation of heat during the battery operation is inevitable. In this regard, the operation is considered safe, when the built-up temperature always remains below the flash point of the incorporated electrolyte T_f . Such accumulation of heat occurs the most in the central zone due to being the most distant from the periphery. Since the center carries the smallest real estate, the limited generated heat could get dissipated out by designing a local heat sink component, as shown in Fig. 1. In this regard, while using the conductor candidates (i.e. metals) for packaging seems ideal for having the highest thermal conductivity, their electrical conductivity might hamper their use due to possibility of a short circuit. Therefore, the selection of the materials with limited conductivities (i.e. plastics) could be more cost-effective for packaging. Therefore, while inclusion of the metallic heat sink would require isolating membranes to separate it from the electrodes

and current collectors, the selection of the plastic material would be more design-effective, since no electrical insulation is required in packaging, and simple sealing would suffice. The list of candidate materials have been presented later in the Table 3.

During the operation, the oxidation and the reduction reactions in the electrode and counter electrode are endothermic and exothermic respectively with ideally the same rate. Hence, they neutralize each other for the net heat formation, and the remaining generated energy rate \dot{q}_{GEN} (i.e. heating up) will be due to the transport of the ions within the electrolyte medium. For the circular electrode with the radius R , the areal element would be $dA = 2\pi r dr$ and the evolution of the temperature $T(r, t)$ is obtained as [56]:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \alpha \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\rho c} \quad (1)$$

where r is the radial distance from the center ($R_I \leq r \leq R_O$), t is the time, α , m and c are the heat diffusivity, mass and the specific heat capacity of the electrolyte. The rate of heat generation per unit area \dot{q}_{GEN} can be defined as the work of the drag force F_d on the charge carriers with the radius a as [57]:

$$\dot{q}_{GEN} = \frac{F_d l}{A l t} N \quad (2)$$

where l , A and t are the inter-electrode distance, electrode surface area and time span for the ionic transition from one electrode to another. As well, the work of the drag force would be $F_d = 6\pi\mu a v$ due to Stokes law, where l , t and v are the distance, the time and the velocity of ionic transfer in the inter-electrode space, N is Avogadro's number and μ is the viscosity of the electrolyte. Having the current relationship as $Q = I t$ we re-write Eq. (2) as:

$$\dot{q}_{GEN} = 6\pi\mu a l N A \left(\frac{i}{Q} \right)^2 \quad (3)$$

where i is the current density, A is the electrode area and Q is the amount of the transferred charge. In the absence of the central heat sink, the generated heat typically needs to get transported to the boundaries and subsequently get dissipated there. However, the heat dissipation will be the hardest for the central zone and as a result more heat accumulation occurs in that region. In this regard, one could overcome with the temperature accumulation in the center by anticipating a heat-dissipating element as previously illustrated in Fig. 1.

Table 1
Physical/Chemical parameters.

Parameter	Value	Unit	Ref.
Heat capacity (c_p)	167	J mol ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	[58]
Flash point (T_f)	134	°C	[59]
κ_E	0.16	W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	[60]
a	0.9	Å	[61]
R_I, R_O	5,20	mm	Assigned
l	3.2	mm	
Q	2 ^a	C	
T_∞	298	K	
δ	0.1 R_O	m	

^a Equivalent to 48 mAh charge.

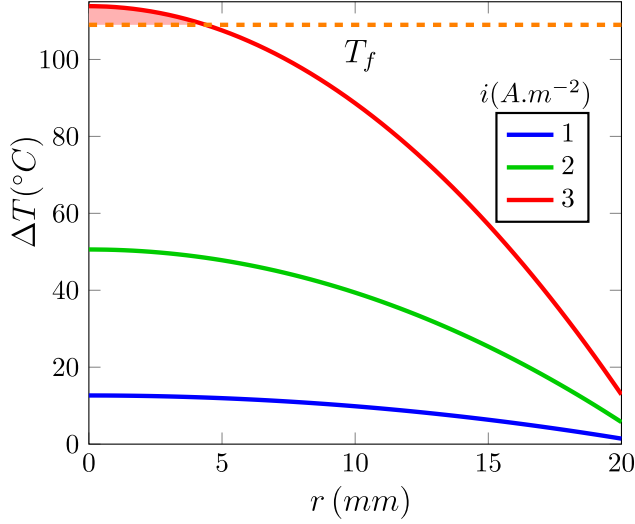


Fig. 2. The temperature build-up through the coin cell domain, with its critical value at the center ($r = 0$).

2.1. Ordinary steady-state profile

From the temperature evolution relationship, given in Eq. (1), one can obtain the steady-state profile by setting $\partial T/\partial t \approx 0$, since there is no time dependency. For the electrolyte, noting $\kappa_E = \rho c \alpha$, one has:

$$\left(r \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_E} r = 0 \quad (4)$$

which could get re-written and integrated as:

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = -\frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_E} \frac{r}{2} + \frac{C_1}{r} \quad (5)$$

$$T(r) = -\frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} r^2 + C_1 \ln(r) + C_2 \quad (6)$$

Since the temperature profile is symmetric from center, there will be no variation $\left. \frac{dT}{dr} \right|_{r=0} \approx 0$, hence $C_1 = 0$, and re-integrating leads to:

$$T = -\frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_E} \frac{r^2}{4} + C_2 \quad (7)$$

The outer boundary could be considered as a thin ring with the thickness δ . Thus, the heat passing through the electrolyte (κ_E) will continue to pass through this medium (κ_O). Hence: $-\kappa_E \partial T/\partial r \Big|_{r=R_O} = \kappa_O \frac{T_O - T_\infty}{\delta}$. For low temperature regime of operation, the ambient convection could get neglected and outer immediate temperature T_O will be same as the ambient temperature T_∞ . Therefore, the coefficient C_2 is obtained as:

$$C_2 = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{2\kappa_O} R_O \delta + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_E} \frac{R_O^2}{4} + T_\infty \quad (8)$$

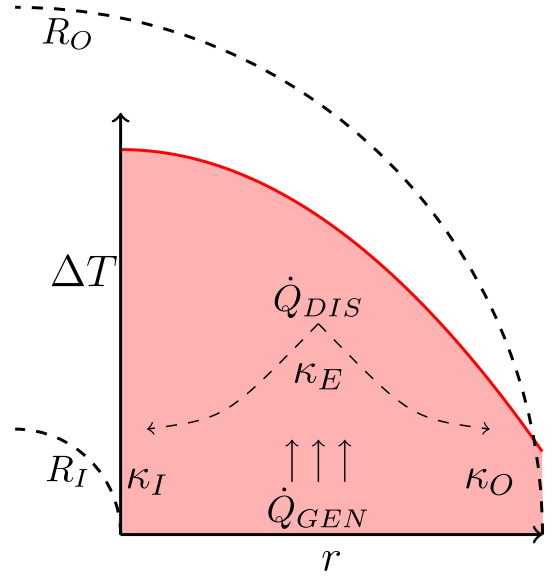


Fig. 3. Schematics of heat generation \dot{Q}_{GEN} and dissipation \dot{Q}_{DIS} throughout the electrolyte (i.e. κ_E) and the central/peripheral (i.e. κ_I, κ_O) boundaries of the half of the electrode cross-section.

Finally the temperature profile is attained as:

$$T = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} (R_O^2 - r^2) + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{2\kappa_O} R_O \delta + T_\infty \quad (9)$$

2.2. Inner or outer metallic boundary ($\kappa_I \gg \kappa_E, \kappa_O$ or $\kappa_I, \kappa_E \ll \kappa_O$)

As shown in the heat flow schematics in Fig. 3, the generated heat on the electrode surface passes initially through electrolyte (i.e. κ_E) and later through the boundary material (inner heat sink κ_I or outer packaging material κ_O) to get dissipated to the environment. Since these events occur consecutively (i.e. in series), either media could be limiting medium for heat transfer, given their respective thermal conductivities.

We have summarized the important possible case scenarios for the conductivity arrangements of the inner boundary κ_I , the electrolyte κ_E and outer boundary κ_O in the Table 2, where T_I , T_O and T_∞ are the temperatures in the inner/outer boundaries and the ambient environment, l and δ are the inter-electrode distance and the boundary thickness, and $A_I = 2\pi R_I l$ and $A_{ROD} = \pi R_I^2$ are the areas of the inner boundary and the cross-sectional area of the heat sink element (i.e. Rod) respectively.

For the case of metallic heat sink ($\kappa_I \gg \kappa_E, \kappa_O$), the heat sink component will thermally short circuit with the environment where the temperatures become nearly identical. ($T_I \approx T_\infty$). Adopting the respective boundary conditions for the inner temperature and the gradient of the outer temperature, given in the Table 2, and replacing into the Eqs. (5) and (6), one gets:

$$T = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} (R_I^2 - r^2) + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} \left(\frac{(R_O^2 - R_I^2) + \frac{2\kappa_E R_O \delta}{\kappa_O}}{\frac{\delta \kappa_E}{R_O \kappa_O} + \ln \left(\frac{R_O}{R_I} \right)} \right) \ln \left(\frac{r}{R_I} \right) + T_\infty \quad (10)$$

As well, for the outer metallic case ($\kappa_O \gg \kappa_I, \kappa_E$), the metallic outer boundary will short circuit with the environment where the temperatures remain almost identical ($T_O \approx T_\infty$). Henceforth, adopting the respective boundary conditions for outer temperature and the gradient of the inner temperature, given in the Table 2, and replacing into the

Table 2

All possible case scenarios for the thermal conductivity arrangements of the inner (κ_I), electrolyte (κ_E) and outer (κ_O) media, with the respective appropriate boundary conditions.

Section	Conductivity order	Inner BC	Outer BC
2.2	$\kappa_I \gg \kappa_E, \kappa_O$	T_∞	$\kappa_E \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \Big _{R_O} = \kappa_O \frac{T_O - T_\infty}{\delta}$
	$\kappa_I, \kappa_E \ll \kappa_O$	$\kappa_E \frac{dT}{dr} \Big _{R_I} A_I = \kappa_I \frac{T_I - T_\infty}{l/2} A_{ROD}$	T_∞
2.3	$\kappa_I, \kappa_E, \kappa_O$	$\kappa_E \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \Big _{R_I} A_I = \kappa_I \frac{T_I - T_\infty}{l/2} A_{ROD}$	$-\kappa_E \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \Big _{R_O} = \kappa_O \frac{T_O - T_\infty}{\delta}$

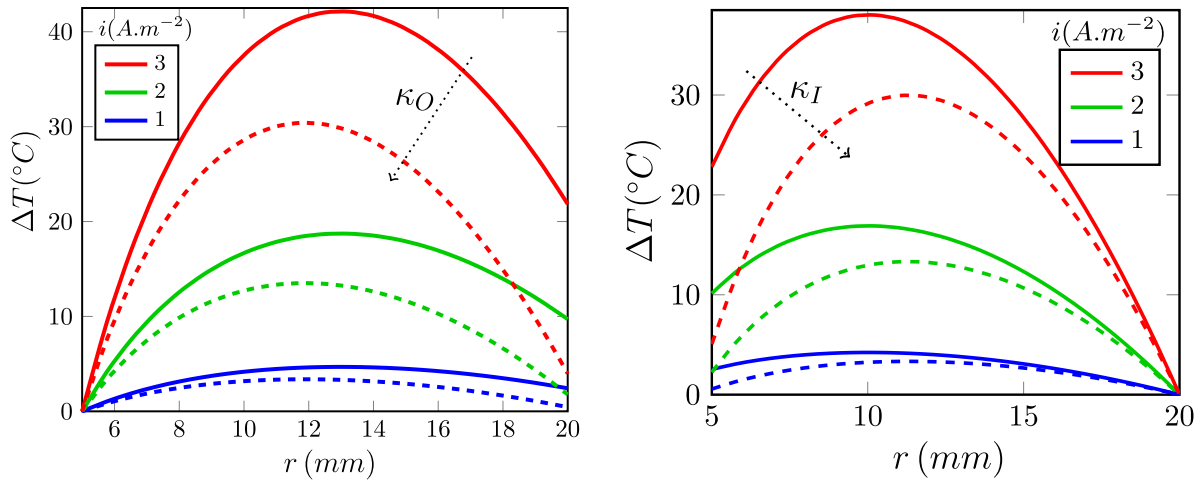


Fig. 4. Temperature profiles versus the inner and outer conductivities for (a) inner metallic and (b) outer metallic boundary condition. The solid to dashed lines represent the variation of the thermal conductivity of the plastic boundary from 0.08 W/m K to 0.49 W/m K.

Eqs. (5) and (6), one gets:

$$T = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} (R_O^2 - r^2) + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} \left(\frac{R_O^2 - R_I^2 + \frac{1R_I\kappa_E\hat{A}}{\kappa_I}}{\ln\left(\frac{R_O}{R_I}\right) + \frac{l\kappa_E\hat{A}}{2\kappa_I R_I}} \right) \ln\left(\frac{r}{R_O}\right) + T_\infty \quad (11)$$

where $\hat{A} = \frac{A_{ROD}}{A_I} = \frac{R_I}{2l}$ is the areal ratio of the inner boundary $A_I = 2\pi R_I l$ to the rod $A_{ROD} = \pi R_I^2$. Figs. 4(a) and 4(b) visualize such temperature profiles versus the applied current density i and the variations in the limited conductivities of κ_I and κ_O respectively.

2.3. Inner/outer limited conductivities $\kappa_I, \kappa_E, \kappa_O$

For the last case in the Table 2, both boundaries pertain limited conductivities and the temperature profile will have an arched shape, which is suitable for exploring the location and magnitude of the maximum temperature, and has more versatile options for the materials selection in the boundary. Hence, the steady state evolution of the temperature profile is controlled by the dropping trend in the boundaries [62], and replacing them into the Eqs. (5) and (6) and simplifying, we arrive at:

$$T(r) = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} (R_I^2 - r^2) - \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_I} \frac{\hat{A} R_I l}{4} + T_\infty \quad (12)$$

$$+ \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{2\kappa_E} \left(\frac{\frac{\hat{A} R_I \kappa_O l}{2\kappa_I} + R_O \delta + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_E} (R_O^2 - R_I^2)}{\frac{\hat{A} \kappa_O l}{2R_I \kappa_I} + \frac{\delta}{R_O} + \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_E} \ln\left(\frac{R_O}{R_I}\right)} \right) \times \left(\ln\left(\frac{r}{R_I}\right) + \frac{\hat{A} l}{2R_I} \frac{\kappa_E}{\kappa_I} \right)$$

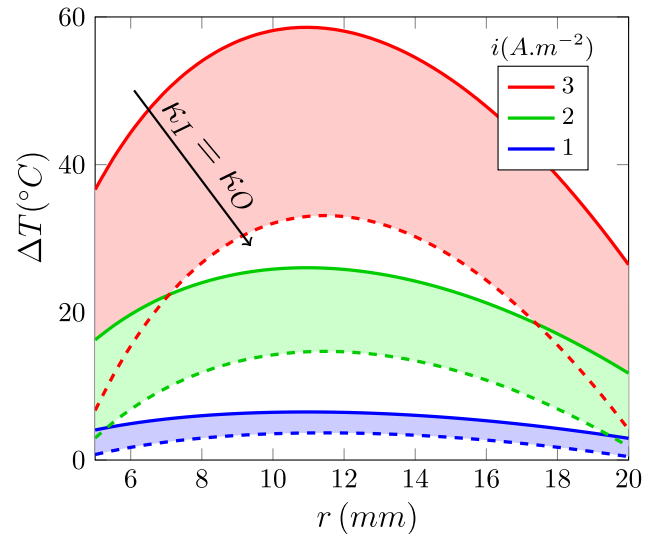


Fig. 5. Temperature profile for the two identical plastic materials used in the inner and outer boundaries. Solid: $\kappa_I = \kappa_O = 0.08$ W/m K (EVA) and Dashed: $\kappa_I = \kappa_O = \kappa = 0.49$ W/m K (PE).

Fig. 5 illustrates the temperature profile for identical boundary materials (i.e. $\kappa_I = \kappa_O$) versus the current density i based on the parameters given in the Table 1. As well, Fig. 8 (later in Results & Discussions) illustrates the variation of the steady-state temperature profile versus the ascending/descending trend in the imposed conductivity of the boundary. In this regard, while the extreme values

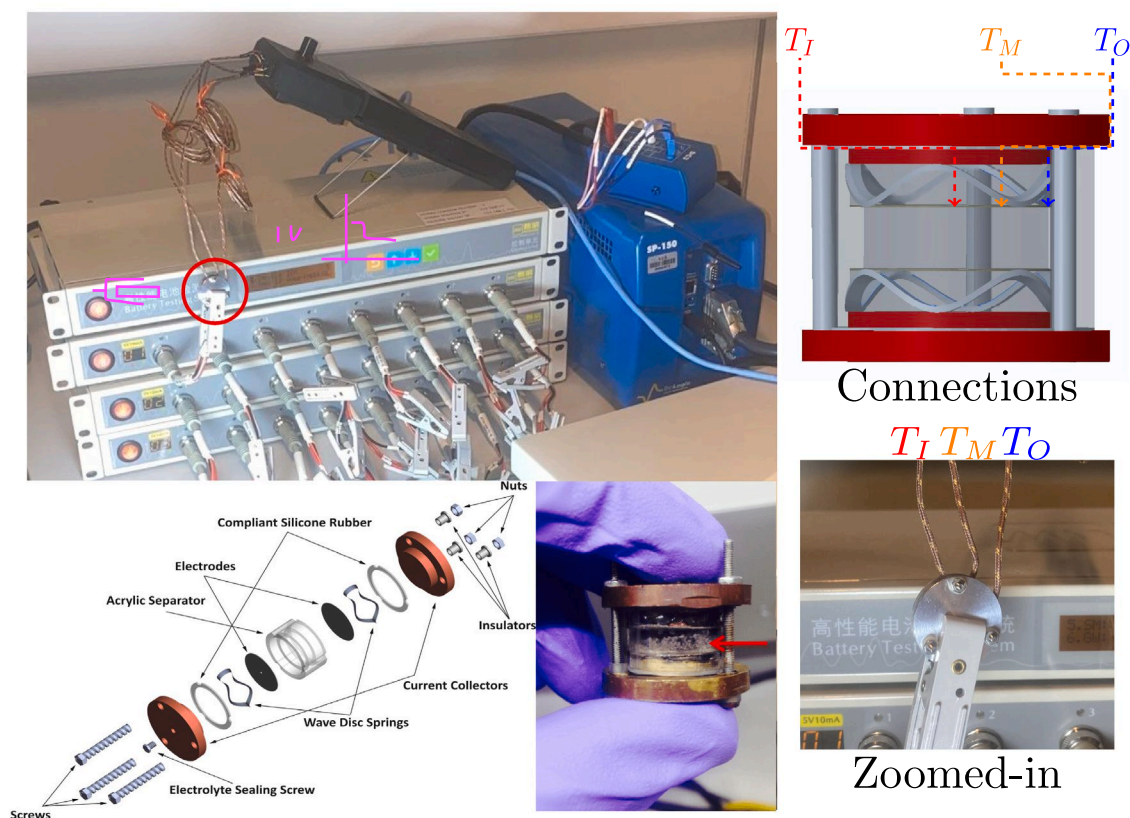


Fig. 6. The experimental setup. Top left: the coin-shaped cell (encircled) is connected to the potentiostat and the thermocouple wires are connected inside the cell. Top/Bottom right: The schematics and physical image of cell, illustrating the connection of thermocouple wires into the 3 distinct locations of inner center T_I , the midway through the center T_M , and the outer periphery T_O . Bottom left: Exploded view of the sandwich cell, detailing-out the individual components (no heat sink in the experimental measurement) [65]. Bottom center: Physical image of the coin-shaped cell, where the arrow shows the zone of heat generation and the microstructures [66].

Table 3

Candidate materials for the heat sink component (i.e. inner boundary: κ_I) and packaging (i.e. outer boundary κ_O).

κ_I, κ_O	Unit	Material	Ref.
0		Insulator	
0.08		Ethylene-vinyl acetate (EVA)	
0.12		Polystyrene (PS)	
0.18	$\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$	Polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) CTherm ^a	
0.25		Teflon	
0.49		Polyethylene (PE)	
~ 100 s (i.e. ∞)		Metals (Short Circ.)	[63,64]

^a <https://ctherm.com/resources/newsroom/blog/the-thermal-conductivity-of-unfilled-plastics/>.

of conductivity belong to metals in ~ 100 s, they are relatively far larger and are taken as ∞ . The material candidates with the limited thermal conductivity κ are given in the Table 3 for either inner or outer dissipating boundaries. The upper and lower limits are 0.08, 0.49 $\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ (i.e. Ethylene-vinyl acetate (EVA) and Polyethylene (PE)) while more commonly-used materials (i.e. Polystyrene (PS), PMMA and Teflon) possess intermediate conductivity values of 0.12, 0.18 and 0.25 $\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ respectively.

3. Experimental

In order to explore the efficacy of the heat sink component on reducing the temperature, we have designed and fabricated coin shaped sandwich cells with thermally-sealed electrodes. The experimental setup has been shown in Fig. 6, top left.

The temperature measurements across the radial direction were performed in the locus of the center (T_I), mid-radius (T_M) and outside (T_O) (Fig. 6, top/bottom right). Each cell is comprised of two disk electrodes, from lithium foil Li° (anode) and the lithium cobalt oxide LiCoO_2 (cathode), which are separated by the 1M LiPF_6 in EC electrolytic solution. The detailed compartments are shown in Fig. 6, bottom left, where the electrode-side thermal sealing was performed via inclusion of wave springs carrying the inert gas from the glovebox. The assembled physical appearance of the cell is shown in Fig. 6, bottom center. The preparation was executed as follows:

The lithium foil was acquired from Sigma Aldrich, 99.9% with the thickness of 0.38 mm and was placed into the glovebox (Changshu Tongrun Electronic Co.Ltd) with controlled moisture and oxygen ($\text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{O}_2 < 1$ ppm) and supplied by Argon. Subsequently, the punch (McMaster-Carr) was used to chop out several disk electrodes ($d = \frac{9}{16}$) which were cleaned after via Dimethoxyethane (DME). Similarly, lithium cobalt oxide (Aldrich, 99.8% trace metals basis) was purchased and prepared as the counter electrode. The screws, insulators and nuts (shown in Fig. 1), were purchased from McMaster-carr. The current-collectors were precision-machined from an Aluminum plate (purchased from McMaster-carr) to the aligning dimensions with the screws/ insulators. Subsequently, the separator housing was first purchased as a PMMA plate from McMaster-carr. Afterwards the laser-cut was used to chop out circular rings. Consequently, circular housing was made with an intermediate diameter of the punched electrodes via the mill.

All the cells were initially placed on top of each other and were fastened via the screws on the periphery [65]. Afterwards, the screws were protected by the plastic insulators as sleeves to avoid the electrical connections between the facing current collectors. Three thermocouple

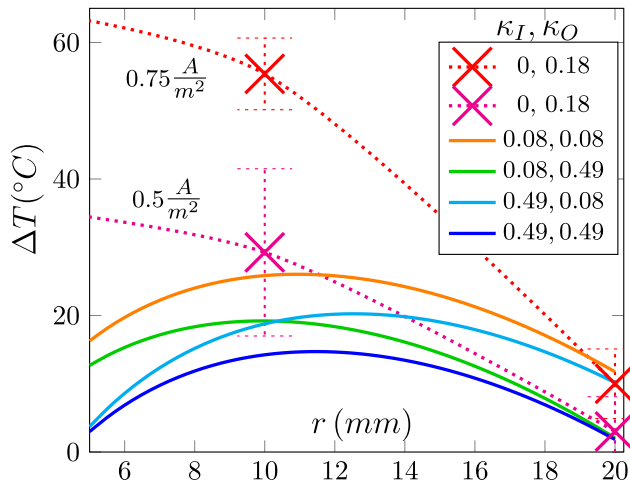


Fig. 7. Comparison of the measured temperature profile in the experiments, where heat sink is absent (dotted: $\kappa_I := 0$), versus the calculated temperature profile in the presence of heat sink (solid: $\kappa_I > 0$), for multitudes of the values for the inner and outer plastic materials with their specific thermal conductivities (κ_I and κ_O). The experimental current densities are $i = \{0.5, 0.75\} \text{ A m}^{-2}$ and the theoretical current density has been assigned as the $i = 2 \text{ A m}^{-2}$, which should have formed higher temperature, and obtaining lower temperature values even further proves the efficacy of the heat sink element.

wires were inserted in during the pre-assembled status and were connected to the center, mid-radius and outside locations to track the local temperature values (Fig. 6, bottom right). The metallic wave springs maintain the electrical connections while insulating the electrodes thermally. The thermal insulation from the electrode-side is in fact the extreme case scenario for trapping the heat in batteries, where the dissipation from the boundary becomes the most emphasized.

The electrolyte solution was fabricated by mixing lithium hexafluorophosphate LiPF_6 (Aldrich, battery grade, $\geq 99.99\%$, trace metals basis) inside the ethylene carbonate EC (Aldrich, Anhydrous, 99%). Consequently, the electrolyte was injected via a syringe in the middle, which was fastened after.

Multiple cells were made, were taken out of the glovebox and were cycled in the multi-channel Neware potentiostat ($5 \text{ mA} - 10 \text{ V}$) with the current densities of $\{0.5, 0.75\} \text{ A m}^{-2}$ at the rate of $4C$ for 20 cycles. Throughout each experiment, the temperature value started to increase until reaching a steady-state value after passing through a transient state. Afterwards, the maximum temperature values throughout the entire run were recorded, and their average and standard deviation were calculated. Fig. 7 visualizes and compares the obtained experimental values, versus the analytical temperature profile with similar parameters attained from Eq. (12). The comparison clearly shows the efficacy of the heat dissipator on mitigating the temperature build-up, particularly in the central zone, where the temperature would have been the highest.

4. Results & discussion

Comparing the steady-state temperature profiles in Fig. 2 with Fig. 4(b), one notices that inclusion of even limited heat dissipator will greatly shift down the temperature distribution, including the maximum temperature T_{max} . The effectiveness of such limited-conductivity element, is mainly since the center carries a very small surface area, albeit being away from the outer boundaries. In fact, comparing the rate of formation of heat \dot{Q}_{GEN} with the rate of its dissipation \dot{Q}_{DIS} one notices that the former correlates with the area, while the latter correlates with the periphery. In other words:

$$\dot{Q}_{GEN} \sim r^2, \quad \dot{Q}_{DIS} \sim r \quad (13)$$

which means that, assuming uniform generation of the heat across the electrode surface, moving toward the outer periphery, the likelihood of the temperature build-up should become higher. This is easily observable via comparing the temperature profiles in the 4(a) and 4(b), where the insulation of the outer periphery leads to higher temperature build-up. In this regard, an important measure is the maximum temperature value T_{max} which should not reach the critical state for safe operation, and is typically compared against the flash point T_f of the electrolyte.

The highest achievable temperature profile occurs during the steady-state regime of operation due to monotonous increase of the temperature from the initial transition. In the presence of the heat dissipator, the boundaries dissipate the temperature and therefore will have relatively lower temperature. Hence, one could find the location of the maximum temperature r_{max} by setting $dT/dr = 0$ in Eq. (12), which yields:

$$r_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{R_I^2}{R_O^2} \frac{l}{R_I} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \frac{\hat{A}}{2} + \frac{\delta}{R_O} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \left(1 - \frac{R_I^2}{R_O^2}\right)}{\frac{l}{R_I} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \frac{\hat{A}}{2} + \frac{\delta}{R_O} + \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \ln\left(\frac{R_O}{R_I}\right)} R_O \quad (14)$$

It is obvious that the location of maximum temperature r_{max} lies in between the inner and outer radii ($R_I < r_{max} < R_O$). For the extreme case inner insulating dissipator ($\kappa_I \rightarrow 0$) the first terms in the numerator and denominator of Eq. (14) become relatively significant. Hence, the location of maximum temperature r_{max} approaches to:

$$\lim_{\kappa_I \rightarrow 0} r_{max} \approx \sqrt{\frac{\frac{R_I^2}{R_O^2} \frac{l}{R_I} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \frac{\hat{A}}{2}}{\frac{l}{R_I} \frac{\kappa_O}{\kappa_I} \frac{\hat{A}}{2}}} R_O \approx R_I \quad (15)$$

which shows the highest temperature buildup in the inner radius R_I . As well, if both inner and outer materials are metallic, the conductivities become relatively extreme ($\kappa_I \approx \kappa_O \rightarrow \infty$), and the last terms of Eq. (14) become significant. Therefore, the location of maximum temperature r_{max} would be:

$$r_{max} = \sqrt{\frac{R_O^2 - R_I^2}{2 \ln\left(\frac{R_O}{R_I}\right)}} \quad (16)$$

This is consistent with the previous study on the metallic boundaries [67]. Finally, for the extreme case of outer insulating material $\kappa_O \rightarrow 0$, the second terms of Eq. (14) in the numerator and denominator become significant and the location of the maximum temperature r_{max} becomes:

$$r_{max} \approx \sqrt{\frac{\frac{\delta}{R_O}}{\frac{\delta}{R_O}}} R_O \approx R_O \quad (17)$$

which shows the highest temperature buildup in the outer radius R_O . Such transition in the location of the maximum temperature value r_{max} versus the relative variations in inner κ_I (i.e. heat sink) and outer κ_O (i.e. outer packaging) thermal conductivities is visualized in Fig. 8, where the increase in the inner conductivity κ_I and decrease in the outer conductivity, moves the location of maximum temperature outward from inner R_I to outer R_O radius. Additionally, it is evident that the minimum critical temperature occurs when both the boundary materials are metallic, with the highest rate of heat dissipation.

Looking further into the variation of the temperature profile versus the respective inner/outer conductivities κ_I, κ_O , it is evident that even the smallest inner thermal conductivity κ_I will have a significant role on reducing the temperature value, compared with having substantial conductivity in the outer region. In other words, the central heat dissipator acts as a bridge for cutting the span of heat dissipation from

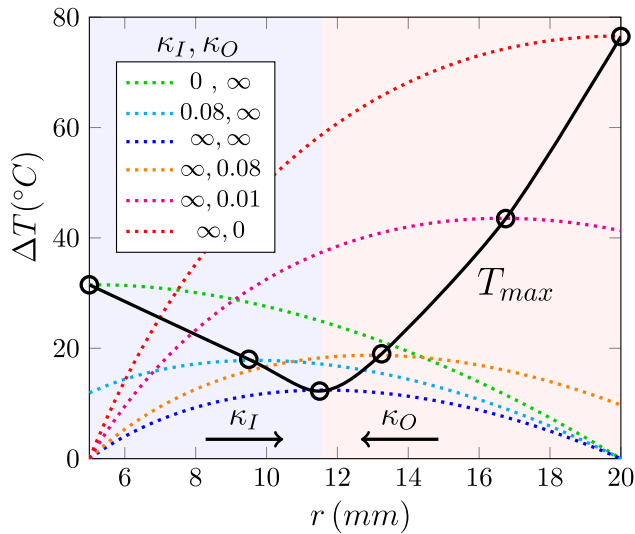


Fig. 8. Tracking the established maximum temperature T_{max} , versus the variation in the inner κ_I and outer κ_O conductivities. The insulating and metallic boundaries are characterized by 0 and ∞ thermal conductivities .

2R to R which significantly reduce the maximum temperature. This shows the importance of the heat transport as a global effect within the cell domain versus the heat dissipation in the boundaries (i.e. local effect).

As well, while the relationship for the maximum cell temperature T_{max} is obtained by calculating the steady-state temperature value $T(r)$ (Eq. (12)) in the location of the maximum temperature r_{max} (Eq. (14)) as:

$$T_{max} = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} R_I^2 \left(\frac{f_1}{f_3} + \frac{f_2}{f_3} \left(\ln \left(\frac{f_2}{f_3} \right) + \hat{A} \frac{l}{R_I} \frac{\kappa_E}{\kappa_I} \right) \right) - \frac{\hat{A}}{4} \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_I} R_I l + T_{\infty} \quad (18)$$

where the coefficients f_1 , f_2 and f_3 are obtained as:

$$\begin{cases} f_1 = \ln \left(\frac{R_O}{R_I} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R_O^2}{R_I^2} - 1 \right) \\ f_2 = \frac{\hat{A} l}{2 R_I} \frac{\kappa_E}{\kappa_I} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R_O^2}{R_I^2} - 1 \right) \\ f_3 = \frac{\hat{A} l}{2 R_I} \frac{\kappa_E}{\kappa_I} + \ln \left(\frac{R_O}{R_I} \right) \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

which is function of both geometrical and physical parameters.

Scale-wise, one could assess its relevance to the relative rod-to-cell scale which is inherent in the areal ratio $\hat{A} = \frac{A_{ROD}}{A_I} = \frac{R_I}{2l}$ in its extreme values. The lowest efficiency of the heat dissipator would be for the thinnest ($R_I \downarrow$) and longest inter-electrode length ($l \uparrow$), where \hat{A} turns negligible and the maximum temperature difference $\Delta T_{max} = T_{max} - T_{\infty}$ becomes:

$$\lim_{\hat{A} \rightarrow 0} \Delta T_{max} = \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_E} \left(R_I^2 + \frac{(R_O^2 - R_I^2)}{2 \ln \left(\frac{R_O}{R_I} \right)} \ln \left(\frac{\left(\frac{R_O^2}{R_I^2} - 1 \right)}{\ln \left(\frac{R_O}{R_I} \right)^{2e}} \right) \right) \quad (20)$$

Vice versa, the highest dissipation occurs, if the areal ratio \hat{A} becomes significantly large, and in the limit the maximum temperature difference ΔT_{max} turns into:

$$\lim_{\hat{A} \rightarrow \infty} \Delta T_{max} = -\hat{A} \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{\kappa_I} \frac{R_I l}{4} + \frac{\dot{q}_{GEN}}{4\kappa_I} R_I (\hat{A} l) = 0 \quad (21)$$

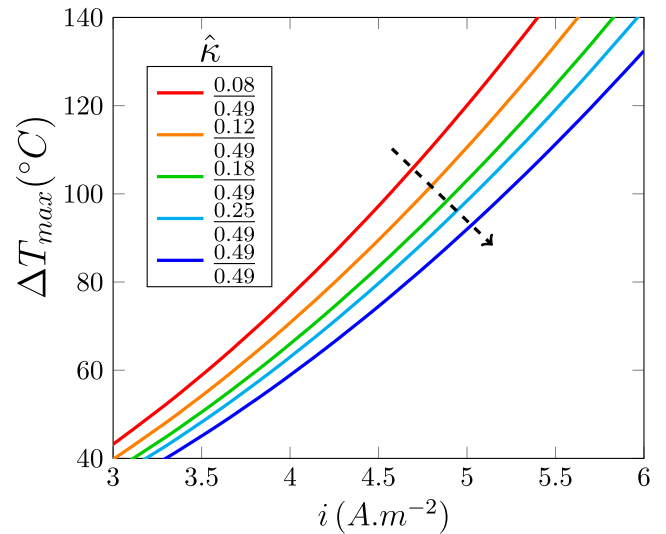


Fig. 9. The maximum temperature T_{max} versus the imposed current density i for different inner-to-outer conductivity ratio of $\hat{\kappa} = \frac{\kappa_I}{\kappa_O}$.

which means that the dissipator has significantly larger scale than the cell and the temperature remains in balance with the environment.

Material-wise, Fig. 9 shows the variation of the maximum temperature ΔT_{max} versus the current density i (which correlates with the generated heat \dot{q}_{GEN}), where the increase in the conductivity ratio ($\hat{\kappa} = \kappa_I/\kappa_O$) tends to shift down the maximum temperature ΔT_{max} .

Needless to mention that the generated heat in this study is assumed to be generated from the cations and the role of the anions are neglected. As well, the heat dissipation was attributed only through the boundaries, and the other thermal dissipation sources such as the electrode surface in the sealed electrode is neglected. The future steps include computing for the transient heat generation, its distribution across the electrode surface and the resulted build-up of the temperature profile.

Finally, the idea of the heat sink component is to connect the central zone of the battery, as the most critical for accumulating temperature, to the environment, which bridges down the span of the temperature profile. In other words, the heat sink element acts as a type of a boundary, and its small area is proportional to the involved real estate in the center. Hence, the heat dissipation design with sink component should be applicable for other types of batteries, where its efficacy would correlate with the involved geometry.

5. Conclusions

We have elaborated on a new design for the effective heat dissipation from the most critical site (i.e. central zone) of the coin batteries, with the limited peripheral heat depletion. We have included a heat sink element which carries the heat out from in/out plane directions and reduces-down the temperature distribution across the electrode domain. As well, we have characterized the efficacy of heat dissipation versus thermal conductivity and the relative scale of the heat sink component. The location of the maximum temperature and its value is analytically derived versus the geometry of the cell and the thermal conductivities of the electrolyte, peripheral boundary and the heat sink element. Finally, the effect of the extreme values of the heat sink areal ratio \hat{A} is analyzed for obtaining the maximum temperature. The developed design and subsequent characterization could be utilized for effective temperature control of the batteries of coin-geometry in any scale, for maintaining the safe performance at high power rates. This could get particularly useful for engineering stationary applications, where there is a wide range of options for material-selection due to versatility in the design and sustainable operation.

Nomenclature

l : inter-electrode distance (m)
 \dot{q}_{GEN} : rate of heat generation per area ($\text{J m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$)
 N : Avogadro's number (6×10^{23} atoms mol^{-1})
 T_{∞} : ambient temperature (K)
 κ_I : inner boundary thermal conductivity ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
 κ_O : Outer boundary thermal conductivity ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
 κ_{PC} : Polycarbonate thermal conductivity ($\text{W m}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
 ρ_{PC} : Polycarbonate density (kg m^{-3})
 t : time (s)
 v : velocity of ionic transfer (m s^{-1})
 F_d : Drag force on the charge carriers (N)
 \hat{A} : areal ratio of the rod surface to the outer boundary (|)|
 R_I : inner radius of cell (m)
 R_O : outer radius of cell (m)
 μ : viscosity of LiPF_6 (mpa s)
 a : ionic radius of Li^+ (\AA)
 i : current density (A m^{-2})
 A : electrode area (m^2)
 Q : amount of charge (C)
 α : thermal diffusivity of LiPF_6 ($\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$)
 T : absolute temperature (K)
 r : radial spatial coordinate (m)
 c : specific heat ($\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)
 T_f : flash point (K)
 δr : radial segmentation (m)
 δt : time segmentation (s)
 δ : the boundary thickness (m)

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