Thermal and tribological properties of CNT and Fullerene nanofluids based on lubricating oil

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CNT and Fullerene nano-particles with different size and shape were dispersed into lubricant oil to improve the thermal and tribological properties of nanofluids. Agglomerated nanoparticles were separated by bead-mill grinding or ultrasonication and surface modification was conducted simultaneously to improve the dispersion stability of the nanofluids. Thermal conductivity of nanofluids was measured by the transient hot-wire method, and the tribological behaviors of nanofluids were investigated with a disk-on-disk tribo tester. The experimental results indicated that all prepared nanofluids had higher thermal and tribological properties than pure oil. It has been also observed that Fullerene nano-particles were dispersed in oil more stably than CNT nano-particles and showed enhanced frictional properties than Fullerene. For all prepared CNT nanofluids, as the volume fraction increased, the thermal properties of the nanofluid enhanced as well. However, Fullerene nano-particles did not have an effect on increasing the thermal properties of nanofluid remarkably.