

EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION OF HEAT DISSIPATION FOR CROSS FLOW HEAT EXCHANGER WITH CONVENTIONAL COOLANT BASED HYBRID NANO FLUID ITS VALIDATION WITH CFD

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ABSTRACT

The demand for more powerful engines in smaller hood spaces has created a problem of insufficient rates of heat dissipation in cross flow heat exchanger (automotive radiators). Upwards of 33% of the energy generated by the engine through combustion is lost in heat. To minimize the stress on the engine as a result of heat generation, automotive radiators must be redesigned to be more compact while still maintaining high levels of heat transfer performance. Base fluids (water, ethylene glycol and glycerol) have been used as conventional coolants in cross flow heat exchanger (automobile radiator) for many years; however, these offered low thermal conductivity, which has prompted researchers to find fluids that offer higher thermal conductivity compared to that of conventional coolants. Nano fluids have been considered as a new-type heat transfer fluid because of their substantial increase in liquid thermal conductivity, liquid viscosity, and heat transfer coefficient. Proposed work concentrates on developing experimental system to investigate the heat transfer enhancement of cross flow heat exchanger with hybrid nano fluids as a coolant and its CFD analysis.

I. INTRODUCTION

Nano fluids are formed by suspending metallic or non-metallic oxide nano particles in traditional heat transfer fluids. These so called nano fluids display good thermal properties compared with fluids conventionally used for heat transfer and fluids containing particles on the micrometer scale. Nano fluids are the new window which was opened recently and it was confirmed by several authors that these working fluid can enhance heat transfer performance. Another application is implementation of nano fluids instead of the conventional fluids in cross flow heat exchanger (radiator). The Cross flow heat exchanger is an important accessory of vehicle engine.

The effectiveness of various types cooling agent in the vehicle cooling system which will influence the operation time of the cross flow heat exchanger (radiator) fan in the light vehicle cooling systems. Cooling system plays important roles to control the temperature of car's engine. One of the important elements in the car cooling system is cooling fluid. The usage of wrong cooling fluid can give negative impact to the car's engine and shorten engine life. An efficient cooling system can prevent engine from overheating and assists the vehicle

running at its optimal performance. The use of a coolant with a high heat dissipation performance to enhance the cooling efficiency is the easiest method for enhancing the heat dissipation performance.

II. PROBLEM DEFINITION

“Experimental investigation of heat dissipation for cross flow heat exchanger with conventional coolant based hybrid nano fluid its validation with CFD “

Phase-I:-This phase involves the detail study of heat transfer enhancement techniques of cross flow heat exchanger with particular attention towards the passive heat transfer enhancement techniques with nano fluids. Effect of properties related to the nano fluids on heat transfer enhancement will be further analyzed in this phase. Additionally idea behind the mixing of two nanoparticle materials in the base fluid to form the hybrid nano fluids will also be studied.

Phase-II:-On the basis of the concluding remarks from the literature review it is decided to proceed in the same direction towards the investigation of thermal performance the cross flow heat exchanger with hybrid nano fluids. Accordingly the experimental system will be designed and manufactured to investigate the proposed title

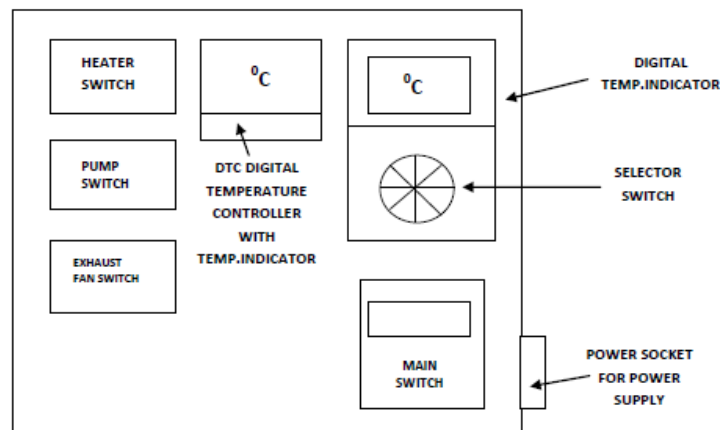


Fig.No.1:-Control panel for proposed experimental system.

Fig. 2 shows the proposed schematic of experimental system and Fig.1 indicates the control panel for experimental system to be developed. The experimental system to be developed includes flow lines, a reservoir tank, heater, a centrifugal pump, flow meter, a forced draft fan, a temperature controller, five RTD's with Six channel temperature indicator to measure the wall temperature and two RTD's with two channel temperature indicator to measure the inlet and outlet fluid temperature in a cross flow heat exchanger.

The test section is a cross flow heat exchanger (an automobile radiator) and forced draft fan. Nanofluid passes through the vertical tubes with stadium-shaped cross section. The fins and the tubes are made with aluminum. For cooling the liquid, a forced draft fan is to be installed close and face to face to the cross flow heat exchanger. Consequently air and water have indirect cross flow contact and there will be heat exchange between hot water flowing in the tube-side and air across the tube bundle.

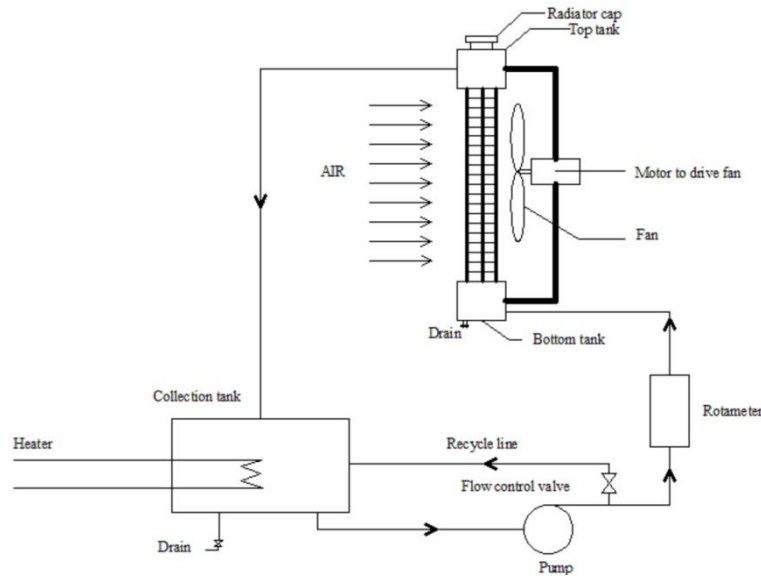


Fig.No.2:- Schematic drawing of the proposed experimental setup.

Phase III:- Additionally to evaluate the accuracy of the measurements, experimental system is to be tested and validated with distilled water before running the experiments with hybrid nanofluids.

Phase IV:- This phase aims to prepare the hybrid nanofluid of required volume concentration with conventional coolant as mentioned. The volume of nanoparticles to be added in the decided quantity of base fluid will be decided on the basis of volume concentration. The characterization of Nano fluid will also be done in this phase only.

Hybrid Nano fluid preparation:- Hybrid Nanofluid is to be prepared with following specification

Nanofluid Number	Nanoparticles material	Base fluid	Nanoparticles size	Variation in concentration of Hybrid Nano fluid by volume fraction %
I	ZnO + Fe ₂ O ₃	Manufacturer recommended coolant (Green colour)	60/60 nm	0.5
II	ZnO + Fe ₂ O ₃			1.0
III	ZnO + Fe ₂ O ₃			1.5

Phase V:- By using the hybrid Nano fluid prepared in the above phase, experimentation will be carried out on proposed system with variation in inlet temperature, flow rate and volume concentration of Nano fluid. The corresponding observations will be noted in the respective conditions which will be further utilized to draw conclusions.

Phase VI:- In this phase the effect of the parameters on thermal performance of the cross flow heat exchanger will be represented graphically to see the variation and come out with some results.

III. OBJECTIVE

- 1) To find enhancement in heat transfer coefficient with hybrid nano fluids compared with water with variation in hybrid nano fluids concentration, hybrid nano fluids inlet temperature, hybrid nano fluids volumetric flow rate.

- 2) CFD analysis of the cross flow heat exchanger with water and hybrid nano fluids as coolant and its comparison with experimental results.

IV. SCOPE

In Future, the next steps in the nano fluids research are to concentrate on the heat transfer enhancement and its physical mechanisms, taking into consideration such items as the optimum particle size and shape, particle volume concentration, fluid additives, particle coating and base fluid. Better characterization of nano fluids is also important for developing engineering designs based on the work of multiple research groups, and fundamental theory to guide this effort should be improved. Important features for commercialization must be addressed, including particle settling, particle agglomeration, surface erosion, and large scale nano fluids production at acceptable cost. Nano fluids offer challenges related to production, properties, heat transfer, and applications.

There appears to be hardly any research in the use of nano fluids as refrigerants. Nanoparticle refrigerant dispersions in two-phase heat transfer applications can be studied to explore the possibility of improving the heat transfer characteristics of condensers and evaporators used in refrigeration and air conditioning appliances. It is necessary to study the development of correlations of friction factor and heat transfer through tubes with nano fluids. Therefore, further studies are needed to develop a generalised hydrodynamic and heat transfer characteristic correlation for nano fluids in a tube. Additionally, a comparison among tube shapes for use in a car radiator can be performed experimentally and numerically. The more research in nano fluids which will define their future in the field of heat transfer is expected to grow at a faster pace in the coming future.

In this section we highlight some future directions in each of these challenging areas.

1. Development of theoretical equations for thermo physical properties of nano fluids is the grey area to be explored.
2. The effect of nanoparticles size on heat transfer and friction characteristics of nano fluids can be taken up for investigation.
3. Study on heat transfer investigation by changing the relative proportion in the base Mehta et al., International Journal of Advanced Engineering Technology E-ISSN 0976-3945 IJAET/Vol.III/ Issue IV/Oct.-Dec., 2012/49-54 fluid constituents can be taken up as future work.

V. METHODOLOGY

The focus of this study is investigation of heat dissipation for cross flow heat exchanger with conventional coolant based hybrid nano fluid. For the theoretical methodology to developed a test set up for experiment. For experiment performance test will conducted by using hybrid nanomaterials material as a coolant on heat Exchanger (Radiator of car) Get the reading of water by providing instruments for monitoring various parameters like thermal conductivity moderately. The overall heat transfer coefficient temperature of the nano fluids. The overall heat transfer coefficient

Volumetric flow rate of the nano fluid significantly, analysis of result using CFD obtain on basis of comparison of different types of nano material.

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