

A Review on Effect of Different Nanofluids on Thermal Performance in Trapezoidal Corrugated Channel

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ABSTRACT

Using corrugated channels is one of the passive heat transfer enhancement techniques in fabrication of heat exchange devices. Designing more effective energy systems is a challenge for researchers and engineers to minimize the consumption of energy in order to improve energy system efficiency. In recent years, many industries have a strong need to achieve higher thermal performance in order to gain high efficiency, reduce the cost and weight, and minimize the size of heat exchangers. Use of corrugated channels can decrease the thermal resistance where its acts to reduce the thermal boundary layer thickness of the heat exchanger surface. Therefore, corrugated surface geometry is one of the numerous appropriate procedures to upgrade the heat transfer in these devices due to the appearance of the secondary flow regions in the trough of the corrugated channel which leads to improve the blending of the fluid and consequently maximize the heat transfer exchange. This paper presents the review of studies done by different researchers on the similar topic.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The corrugated channel is a common heat exchanger configuration. Such a channel is formed by two corrugated walls placed side by side, the corrugations being perpendicular to the flow direction. The flow impinges on, and is deflected by, the corrugations, thermal boundary-layer growth is interrupted by flow separation, and at sufficiently high Reynolds numbers, streamwise (Goertler) vortices or spanwise vortices may occur. These phenomena influence the temperature field significantly, resulting in sizable heat transfer enhancement in comparison to a parallel-plate channel. However, since the gains in heat transfer are accompanied by increased losses of mechanical energy in the flow, the practical utility of this approach would depend on design constraints such as the pressure drop or pumping power required to sustain the flow.

Designing more effective energy systems is a challenge for researchers and engineers to minimize the consumption of energy in order to improve energy system efficiency. In this respect, improving the heat transfer rate and hence producing more compact heat exchangers which are essential components for many engineering applications such as space, aeronautics, automotive industry, ocean thermal energy conversion technology is a major concern. Corrugations are used in plate heat exchangers to enhance the heat transfer rate and to improve the strength of plates. Complex corrugated channel geometry improves the heat transfer efficiency resulting in higher-pressure losses, especially in turbulent flow regime.

Flow control techniques consist of three main techniques: active flow control technique, passive flow control technique, and compound flow control technique for improving the heat transfer rate. The active flow control technique requires external power input in order to provide heat transfer enhancement. Some examples of active flow techniques include flow oscillation, flow vibration, surface vibration, magnetic field and other similar methods. This example provides better flow mixing and heat transfers enhancement. The passive flow control technique does not need any external power input to improve the heat transfer, but, causes a further pressure drop because of the geometrical changes. Some examples of the passive flow control methods are the use of inserts, additives, rough surface, swirl flow devices, treated surface, extended surfaces and coiled tubes. As seen from examples, reducing the hydraulic diameter of the flow passage improves the rate of heat transfer. Also, in some cases by applying this technique, a secondary flow can be obtained which upgrades the rate heat transfer by mixing fluids between the core flow region with the flow region close to the wall surface. The compound flow control technique involves combinations of the two or more flow control methods for enhancing the heat transfer rate.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented A numerical simulation performed on thermal performance comparison of a corrugated channel with three corrugation profiles. Semicircle, trapezoidal, and house shapes are considered as corrugation profiles for corrugated walls

channel using nanoparticles volume fractions of ZnO and Reynolds number ranging from 0 to 0.08 and 10,000–30,000, respectively.

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented heat transfer and flow characteristics of the symmetry semicircle-corrugated channel with (SiO₂) - water nanofluid numerically over Reynolds number ranges of 10,000–30,000. The influence of geometrical parameters including height-to-width ratio (h/W) and pitch-to-length ratio (p/L) on the thermal and hydraulic characteristics are evaluated. A numerical simulation covering nanofluid with SiO₂ volume fractions of 0–8.0% was carried out by employing the finite volume method for discretization of the governing equations.

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented A numerical comparison of the thermal performance of different shapes of corrugated channels as well as straight channels in a turbulent flow of ZnO–water nanofluid under constant heat flux.

Shirzad et al. (2019) presented the effect of using different nanofluid as a coolant fluid on the thermal performance of Pillow plate heat exchanger (PPHE). The objective of present study is using a new heat transfer enhancement method in PPHE by utilizing nanofluid instead of pure fluid as a heat transfer medium.

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented heat transfer and flow characteristics of the symmetry trapezoidal-corrugated channel with silicon dioxide (SiO₂) - water as nanofluid performed numerically over Reynolds number ranges of 10,000–30,000. The influence of geometrical parameters including height-to-width ratio (h/W) and pitch-to-length ratio (p/L) on the thermal and hydraulic characteristics are evaluated.

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented the forced convective turbulent flow of SiO₂-water nanofluid through different corrugated channels studied numerically and experimentally. All studies are performed for the straight channel (SC) and different two corrugated channels, namely semicircle corrugated channel (SCC) and trapezoidal corrugated channel (TCC) over Reynolds number ranges of 10000–30000.

Ajeel et al. (2019) presented the employment of alumina oxide (Al₂O₃) in water nanofluid for heat transfer enhancement with corrugation is performed numerically and experimentally over Reynolds number ranges of 10,000–30,000. Three corrugated channels, semicircle (SCC), trapezoidal (TCC), and straight (SC) are fabricated and tested with nanofluid Al₂O₃ volume fractions of 0%, 1%, and 2%.

Tokgöz et al. (2018) presented Heat transfer enhancement in channel flow is investigated by using corrugated duct in lieu of smooth duct. In this regard, periodic different cavities are applied on the duct walls using the same aspect ratios. The values of the Reynolds numbers are in the range of $10,000 \leq Re \leq 20,000$.

Ajeel et al. (2018) presented the effects of four different types of nanofluids which are Al₂O₃, CuO, SiO₂ and ZnO–water under constant heat flux condition (10kw/m²). The governing equations of continuity, momentum and energy are solved using finite volume method (FVM). The study was carried out at 8% volume fraction of nanoparticles with 20nm particle diameters.

Ajeel et al. (2018) presented The performance of a trapezoidal-corrugated channel with four different kinds of nanofluids (ZnO, Al₂O₃, CuO, and SiO₂), with four various nanoparticle volume fractions of 2%, 4%, 6% and 8% using water as base fluid.

Hosseinnezhad et al. (2018) presented the turbulent flow of water/Al₂O₃ nanofluid in a tubular heat exchanger with two twisted-tape numerically investigated in the three-dimensional coordinate. This numerical simulation has been done by using FVM, and all of the equations have been discretized by second-order upwind method.

Ajeel et al. (2018) presented numerical investigation of Thermal and hydraulic characteristics of turbulent nanofluid flow in a semicircle zigzag corrugated channel by implementing the finite volume method (FVM) to describe the governing equations.

Ma et al. (2018) presented numerical investigation of the laminar forced convection heat transfer of nanofluid through a bent channel. The lattice Boltzmann method was used for solving the governing equations in the domain. The effect of different parameters such as Reynolds number ($50 \leq Re \leq 150$), vertical passage ratio ($2.0 \leq M \leq 4.0$), and nanoparticle solid volume fractions ($\Phi = 0, 0.01, 0.03, 0.05$) are analyzed in terms of streamlines, isotherms, and local Nusselt numbers.

Sadripour et al. (2018) presented numerical investigation of A forced convection flow and heat transfer of a water-based nanofluid with SiO₂ particles with different volume fractions and nanoparticle diameters in corrugated ducts with different shapes.

Parsaiemehr et al. (2018) presented numerical investigation of the turbulent flow and heat transfer of Water/Al₂O₃ nanofluid inside a rectangular channel. The main purpose of present study is investigating the effect of attack angle of inclined rectangular rib, Reynolds number and volume fraction of nanoparticles on heat transfer enhancement.

Khoshvaght-Aliabadi et al. (2018) presented numerical investigation of The forced convective turbulent flow of Al₂O₃-water nanofluid through the offset-strip channel. The mixture model is applied to model the Al₂O₃-water nanofluid flow.

Ajeel et al. (2017) presented the recent development of heat transfer enhancement through facing step and corrugated channels. Numerical simulation findings of the convective heat transfer with and without nanofluids have been investigated.

The experimental trials to augment heat transfer in the facing step and corrugated channels by using conventional fluids and nanofluids are reported.

Khoshvaght-Aliabadi et al. (2017) presented Evaluation of Thermal and hydraulic performances of two types of fin, namely plate and plate-pin, in water-cooled corrugated miniature heat sinks (MHSs) having triangular, trapezoidal, and sinusoidal shapes. In fact, the plate-pin fins are designed and constructed based on the plate fins.

Selimefendigil et al. (2017) presented Numerical study of jet impingement cooling of a corrugated surface with water-SiO₂ nanofluid of different nanoparticle shapes. The bottom wall is corrugated and kept at constant surface temperature, while the jet emerges from a rectangular slot with cold uniform temperature.

Sadripour et al. (2017) presented Numerical study of the effects of corrugated absorber plate and using aerosol-carbon black nanofluid on heat transfer and turbulent flow in solar collectors with double application and air heating collectors. The two dimensional continuity, momentum and energy equation were solved by finite volume and SIMPLE algorithm. In the present investigation all the simulations were done for two different angles of tilt of collector according to horizon, that these angles were the optimum ones for the period of six months setting.

Selimefendigil et al. (2017) presented numerical examination of laminar forced convection of pulsating nanofluid flow over a backward-facing step with a corrugated bottom wall by using finite volume method. Part of the bottom wall downstream of the step was corrugated and kept at constant temperature. Effects of Reynolds number, length and height of the surface corrugation wave, nanoparticle volume fraction, amplitude and frequency of flow pulsation on the fluid flow and heat transfer were numerically investigated.

Hassanzadeh et al. (2017) presented effects of periodic corrugations in rectangular ducts on the thermal-hydraulic behaviors of nanofluids. The applied corrugations were rectangular cavities with a constant cavity length. In this regard, three various dimensionless cavity shaped corrugation widths such as $S/H = 0.1, 0.2, \text{ and } 0.3$ were investigated.

Akdag et al. (2017) presented numerical investigation of the heat transfer characteristics of CuO-water-based nanofluids in a trapezoidal-corrugated channel under pulsating inlet flow conditions. A comparison is presented between the heat transfer coefficients for nanofluids under steady flow conditions and the existing results. The use of nanoparticles under the pulsating flow conditions increases the heat transfer rate compared with the steady flow case. The obtained results are given as a function of dimensionless parameters.

Rashidi et al. (2016) presented numerical investigation of mixed convection heat transfer of nano-fluid flow in vertical channel with sinusoidal walls under magnetic field effect. The heat transfer and hydrodynamic characteristics have been examined. This study has performed for $500 \leq Re \leq 1000$, $5 \times 10^4 \leq Gr \leq 1 \times 10^6$, three amplitude sine wave (0.1, 0.2 and 0.3) and three values of Hartman numbers (0, 5 and 10).

3. CONCLUSION

The enhancement of convection heat transfer is a very interesting topic for different kinds of industrial and engineering applications and can be improved passively by changing the flow geometry and boundary conditions or by enhancing the thermophysical properties of the fluid. Depending on the mentioned literature, it can be inferred that the forced convective heat transfer in a trapezoidal -corrugated channel with symmetry and zigzag configurations and using nanofluids has never been reported. Additionally, most of the past studies examined a 2D turbulent convective heat transfer. Accordingly, this lack of knowledge represents the prime motivation behind conducting the current research.

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