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#### **ABSTRACT**

Using Experimental Research, a parametric study was performed of a Wire mesh solar air heater natural convection SAH. For the analysis, a SAH with a single glass cover is selected as a flat plate solar collector with wire mesh Under the DTU Delhi climate conditions, India. The study aims to find optimum collector efficiency and taking seasonal variations into beam radiation and diffused radiation, seeking input and observing the output variable parameter Impact on collector output of incident radiation magnitude and ambient temperature, all equations, the framework, the governing continuity, momentum and energy equations were considered. SAHs have been used for heating, drying, and similar industrial applications which require heating, drying, and other heated air at temperatures that are low to moderate. SAH (collector)'s performance is a feature of many criteria for design and operation. The heat from convective HT coefficient between the A<sub>bp</sub> and the air due to one of the main parameters is the collector duct. It is possible to use the air on the right side of the A<sub>bp</sub> of the SAHs for their thermal output. The TH<sub>eff</sub> of a SPSAH with wire mesh was examined only experimentally.

A comparison of the effects of solar collector MFRs with and without wire mesh shows a significant increase in  $TH_{eff}$ . This experiment deals with the  $T_{out}$   $^{0}C$  and performance of the experimental inquiry, of the WMSAH. The experimental test was planned and manufactured to research the effects of WMSAH, by the axial fan in a solar duct flow, on the wire mesh solar air heater compared to the traditional SAH on a FPC's  $A_{bp}$ , under the effect on the  $T_{out}$   $^{0}C$  of the MFR of air and SI, results, are analyzed.

The findings of experimental research on the  $T_{thp}$  of a WMSAH are provided in this experiment. In direction to maximize the surface of heat exchange, the  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$ , and  $TH_{eff}$ , a black wire mesh for an  $A_{bp}$  must be designed in particular. Tables 7.1a show that for the SAH without wire mesh and a black  $A_{bp}$ , increases in MFR affect the temperature of the wire mesh and the temperature of an  $A_{bp}$  by 5 to 6  ${}^{0}C$ .

By rates of 5.3 percent and 6.13 percent, the  $TH_{eff}$  of the type with WMSAH is shown to be higher than the FPC. We can improve this SI by adding wire mesh above the  $A_{bp}$  for moving the heat energy in between the  $A_{bp}$  and the wire mesh and the heat energy on an  $A_{bp}$  for transportation of fluid with the MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1; see Tables 7.3a and 7.3b, and a lesser SI by rates 162 and 187W m2, respectively; we can recover this loose SI by adding wire mesh above the  $A_{bp}$  for moving the heat energy in between 27.92 percent and 42.83 percent, respectively, were the maximum  $TH_{eff}$  figures measured.

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### **NOMENCLATURE**

DTRM - Discrete transfer radiation Model SAH - Solar air heater NPSAH – non-porous solar air heater  $N_u - Nusselt \ no$ F<sub>f</sub>-Friction factor CFD- Computational fluid dynamics  $A_{bp}-Absorption\ plate$  $TH_{\text{eff}}-Thermal\ efficiency$ CF – counter flow SPSAH – single-pass solar air heater dPSAH - double pass solar air heater  $B_f$  – Baffles Logf - longitudinal fins nVrib – multiple V-shaped ribs Re- Reynolds no  $P_d-Pressure \ drop$  $V_{rib} - V \ down \ rib$ SWM – Steel wire mesh WM – wire mesh SPSS-IBM - Statistical kit for social sciences software of IBM MFR – Mass flow rate(kg/s)

WML – wire mesh layer

F<sub>c</sub> – forced convection

C<sub>sa</sub> – surface area of collector

 $N_c$  – natural convection

 $T_{thp}$  – Thermal performance

AV – average

DPFIPSAH – Double pass finned plate solar air heater

DPVCPSAH – double pass V corrugated plate solar air heater

WMSAH- Wire mesh solar air heater

FPC- flat plate collector

SI-solar intensity w/m<sup>2</sup>

T<sub>ab</sub> – Temperature of an absorber plate in degrees Celsius

 $T_{bp}$  - Temperature of wire mesh in degrees Celsius

 $T_{pl}$  – Temperature of air in between of absorber plate and wire mesh

T<sub>ep</sub> – Temperature of the glass of wire mesh solar air heater

T<sub>in</sub> – Temperature of inlet air of solar air heater in degrees Celsius

Tout - Temperature of outlet air of solar air heater in degrees Celsius

T<sub>a</sub> – Temperature of ambient air in degrees Celsius

 $A^0-\mbox{Inclination}$  angle of collector from the horizontal surface in degree

α - Absorber plate's absorption coefficient

 $\tau$  - Glass transmittance coefficient

 $\alpha_g$  - Glass absorption coefficient

T<sub>HR</sub>- thermal resistant

RE- Renewable energy

T<sub>av</sub> – Average temperature in <sup>0</sup>C

#### 1.1.1 Requires of global energy

Much of the world's energy demand is met by fossil fuels, but the massive extraction of fossil fuels is causing global warming and water cycle acidification to pose a real threat to the environment. The rapidly growing demand for energy, the decreased supply of conventional sources of energy, and the contamination of the atmosphere have driven scientists to look for alternative sources of energy. Among those energy resources, sun and wind are practically limitless and available at no cost in abundant quantities and all over the world.

Global energy demand has risen dramatically in the last half-century. Relatively "cheap" fossil fossils stimulated the prior rise. the use of energy continues in all countries, Rising, additional factors add to the image for the next 50 years complicated. China's and India's contain these additional complicating variables Rapid rise in the usage of electricity as it accounts for around one-third of the population of the planet, the projected oil loss supplies shortly. The future and the effect of human actions on climate change around the world. On the positive side: Sustainable energy technology for air current power, biological fuels, solar power. (Figure 1.1).

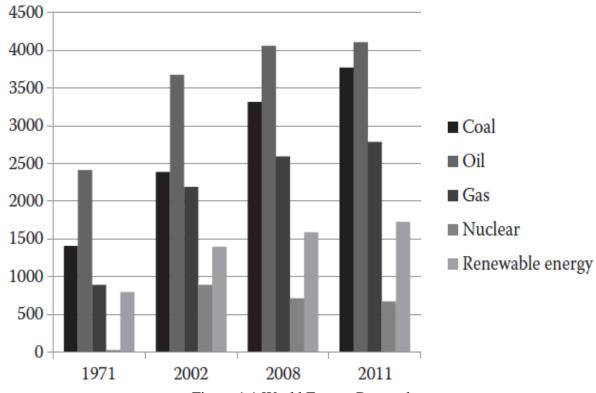


Figure 1.1 World Energy Demand

The need for world energy has risen to reflect 12,271 MTOE of energy. An annual average rise

of approximately 3%. The fast-growing energy demand is a 50 % rise in the annual average. The Asia Pacific, China in particular. Because the used electricity per capita in The many populated States is quite limited, The nation (India) is still very small. At this extremely high pace, the usage of power will keep rising. The real yearly power average boost fell, Due to the extreme growth in the United States and Europe, where the consumption indicates that RE sources will account for as much as 50% of global energy usage in 2050, with the vast majority coming from solar and wind energy.

#### 1.1.2 Non-condensational energy scenario-

Solar power accounted for 13.3% of the world's estimates, according to the data in Table 1.1. 2011 gross primary energy supply. Nonetheless, roughly 75% of the supply of RE is from biomass and is primarily converted by conventional open combustion in developing countries, which is very inefficient because biomass services currently only supply roughly their inefficient usage, 20% of what they could do if they were converted into new, more effective, accessible technology. In 2011, the overall proportion of all renewables for the production of electricity was 20.4%, of which the vast majority (78%) came from hydro-powered energy. Although the global capacity of renewable energy accounted for just 1.34% of complete potential for power, it expanded by approximately 50% annual average.

**Table 1.1:** The share of fuel in the world's total primary energy supply

Fuel share in the world's total primary energy

supply

SOURCE	SHARE
OIL	31.4%
NATURAL GAS	21.3%
COAL	28.9%
NUCLEAR	5.2%
RENEWABLE	13.2%
Total	20%

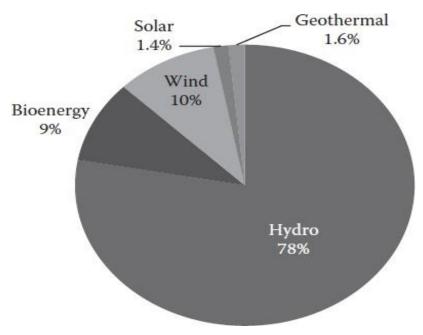


Figure 1.2: Outlook of Global Energy

#### 1.1.3 Global consumption of solar energy

The incident of SI on a surface unit is referred to as radiance time. The average natural extraterrestrial irradiance to the solar beam is roughly  $1.36 \text{ kW/m}^2$  in the ecosystem of the earth. Using thermal and photovoltaic conversion devices, solar energy can be a significant energy source and can be harnessed. On a bright sunny day, at noon, the mean solar radiation received on the surface of the earth, natural to it, is approximately  $1 \text{ kW/m}^2$ , at sea level.

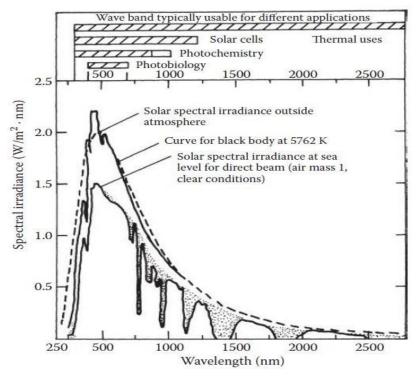


Figure 1.3: solar spectral irradiance curve for direct sunlight.

The earth continually intercepts 178 billion mW of solar electricity, which is about 10,000 times the world's production. But it has not been able to grow on a wide scale so far. According to one calculation, if all the world's buildings are protected by solar PV panels, they would meet the world's electrical power requirements. It is considered that solar PV energy is a costly source of electricity. However, rates are slowly declining. In the last 20 years, the cost of the SPV system has fallen from USD 10 per W to USD 3 per W. The use of solar energy is increasing strongly across the world, partially due to the rapidly decreasing cost of producing solar panels.

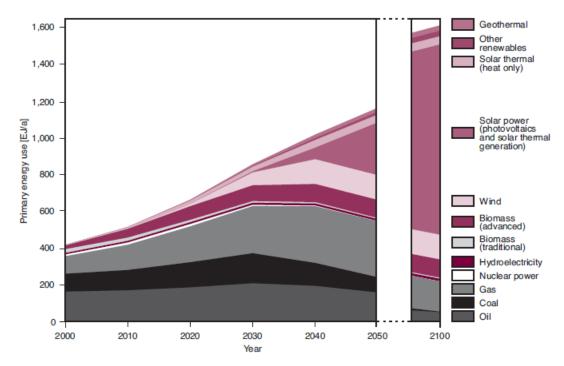


Figure 1.4: Global energy consumption

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Normally, its value is per nanometer of bandwidth, calculated in watts per square meter. The extraterrestrial radiance of the spectrum. The sum of sunlight that continuously strikes the atmosphere of the earth is 1.75 TW by 105. Provided a transmission through the atmosphere of 60 % Cloud coverage, 1.05\*105 TW continually reaches the surface of the earth. The efficiency of multijunction solar cells under the concentrated sun has surpassed 40% and solar thermal systems have 40 per cent-60 % TH<sub>eff</sub>. The cost of solar PV panels has fallen from around \$30 / W to \$30 / W. In the last three decades, \$0.50/W roughly. There has been a revival of interest in this field in the last 10 years, however, and many solar-based thermal power plants around the world are undergoing Building Design. The largest CSP plant with a 400 MW capacity was installed. In 2014 in Nevada cost of plants' electricity (it can go down in a range of 12 to 16 US cents / kWh) to 5 US cents / kWh with a mass market.

# 1.1.4 The RE Capital Overview

 Table 1.2: Renewable energy-oriented capital overview table

Technology	Annual	Operating	Investment	Current	Potenti
	potential	capacity	cost US\$	energy	al
		2005	per kW	cost	future
					energy
					cost
Biomass energy	8-13TW				
Electricity					
Heat		44GW <sub>e</sub>	500-	3-	3-
Ethanol		225GW <sub>th</sub>	6000/Kw	12\$/kwh	5\$/kwh
Biodiesel		36 billion	170-	1-	1-
		lit.	1000/Kw	6\$/kwh	5\$/kwh
		3.5 billion	170-350/Kw	25-	6-
		lit.	500-	75\$/lit.	10\$/Gl
			1000/Kw	25-	10-
				85\$/lit.	15\$/Gl
Wind power	55TW theor	59GW	850-1700	4-	3-
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Solar energy	>100TW				
Photovoltaics		5.6GW	5000-10000	25-	5-
Thermal power		0.4GW	2500-6000	160\$/kw	25\$/kw
Heat			300-1700	h	h
				12-	4-
Geothermal	600,0000EJ			34\$/kwh	20\$/kw
	Useful resource			2-	h
	5000EJ for			25\$/kwh	2-
	50years				10\$/kw
					h
Electricity		9GW	800-3000		
Heat		11GW	200-2000		

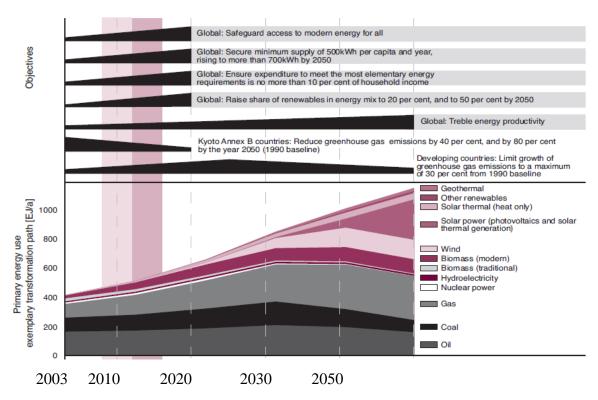
Docan energy   Tidal   2.5TW   0.3GW   1700-2500   8-   8-   8-   2000-5000   15\$/kwh   15\$/k   15\$/k   8000-20000   10-   h   30\$/kwh   5-   15-   10\$/k   40\$/kwh   h   7-   20\$/k   h					2- 10\$/kwh 0.5- 5\$/kwh	1- 8\$/kwh 0.5- 5\$/kwh
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Hydro						20\$/kw
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12\$/kwh   2-					12\$/KWI	2- 10\$/kw
10\$/K						

As in the matter of new emerging technologies, RE technology is expected to have research and development, company experience, and manufacturing processes, sustainable costs can be achieved. For any of the combined output for experience demonstrates industry-wide cost savings in the range of 10 % to 20 % from wind power, solar plants, ethanol, and gas turbines. In CSP and other renewable technologies, similar declines can be expected. Market maturity has already been

reached by wind energy technologies, solar energy systems are well on the way. It does have an installed capacity of 40 GW or so.

#### 1.1.5 Energy Forecast

Restricted oil, gas, and nuclear power. It seems obvious that resources and significant global concerns with regards to carbon components, renewable energy resources would not only require solar power, wind power, and agriculture however waste can already take its place and provide a solution for the future. For renewable green technology. On the potential energy mix, there are several conflicting viewpoints. However, we believe with the WBGU, which forecasts that as much as 50 % of the global electricity production in 2050 will have to come from solar power. it will take a worldwide dedication and an unparalleled global initiative to reach the degree of RE usage by 2050.



**Figure 1.5:** The WBGU Global Energy Mix for 2050 and 2100.

#### 1.1.6 Solar Energy's Limits

The first challenge found in the engineering design of machinery for the low flux density is the use of solar energy, which makes high flux densities possible. Solar energy storage surfaces for utilization on a worldwide basis, at higher surfaces, the extra costly the energy distributed becomes. When it's the Sun 10 m<sup>2</sup> of the surface could potentially provide solar power at a 69.99% collection effectiveness and 29.99% utilization for converting at an average of nearly 2kW directly

overhead on a cloudless day. The total solar energy that reaches the earth, therefore, consists of two main parts: the energy in the direct beam and the diffuse energy from the sky. Many factors minimize this amount in practice. The addition of the cloud cover affects direct energy. and location of the sun, and on bright days, it is certainly the greatest. Any solar radiation that falls on clouds is scattered by diffusion, but not all radiation is absorbed by clouds.

The function of the cloud is predominantly to boost the amount of diffuse energy reaching the surface in the summertime with large and split clouds, the solar energy, and diffuse radiance can be as high as 400 W/m2. Dark clouds cause a smaller amount of solar energy to move instead of weak clouds and distribute back in, space too much of the amount of energy proportionally. A second environmental, practical constraint, which isn't evident from the point of vision of macroscopic energy. It is just that the majority descends in renewable energy in inaccessible areas and to be important to develop nations, several other forms of distribution would therefore be required.

Around the latitudes of 25 °N to 25 °S of the equator in continental desert regions, via a horizontal, the total power available is maximum and falls towards both the poles and the equator While in the area of a Red Sea, the highest annual average radiance is 300 W/m². Clouds in equatorial regions greatly decrease the mean global irradiance.

The direct and diffuse surface irradiance average varies from summer to winter. The season, in equatorial regions, remains relatively constant. Typical Qualities of The mean annual horizontal surface irradiance is as follows: In Aust, roughly 200 W/m²; in the U.S. and Canada, 185 W/m²; in the UK, 105 W/m² displays the overall potential of solar power for the world's solar energy-rich areas. It is essential to note all of these places of the globe, like Egypt, central Asia, and parts of Western America. Africa and India are deserts that are unavailable for cultivation.

**Table 1.3:** Total solar to electrical energy conversion in high insolation area

Desert	Nominal	Nominal	%age of	Electric energy
	areas(km2)	annual thermal	area	extracted at 25%
		energy	assumed	efficiency(GWh/year)
		flux(GWh/km <sup>2</sup>	useable	
North Africa	7,77,0000	2300	15	670,000,000
Arabian peninsular	1,300,000	2500	30	244,000,000
Western and central Australia	1,550,000	2000	25	194,000,000
Kalahari	518,000	2000	50	129,000,000
Thar (northwest India)	259,000	2000	50	65,000,000

Mojave,	southern	35,000	2200	20	3,900,000
California					
Vizcaino,	Baja,	15,500	2200	25	
California					
(Mexico)					
Total average		11,447,500	2190	31	1,308,000,000

It should be acknowledged, at the same time, that these are also regions with slight to no liquid, pointing to some necessity for evolving options for solar air refrigeration thermoelectric Power. While solar energy distribution is globally distributed, favoring the world's developed parts, It's essential to remember to these countries, particularly Europe, that countries have contributed to the introduction of over the last decade, solar power. Its intermittency is the third disadvantage of solar energy as a large-scale power and heat source our planet's revolution on its axes and the natural seasonal period are due to the tilt of the spin-orbit with the elliptical orbit and the earth's movement across the sun, solar energy has a regular daily cycle and is often inaccessible during times the winter weather conditions. Is therefore obvious that this kind of conservation is indicated by these weather patterns solar radiation variations, worsened by weather fluctuations. Or a supplement for gasoline.

#### 2.1: Objective of the present study

A systematic aim of the literature review is to collect background information about the topics to be considered in the current research. The article provides a brief overview of the strategies implemented to boost or improve the conduction of energy. These are some of the different areas of techniques considered to improve the conduction of energy from F<sub>c</sub>. To get a higher HT coefficient, the current will be turbulent nearest to that seen on the HT surface. However, the energy needed to produce such turbulence is generated by the blower or fan. The excessive turbulence results in excessive power demand for duct airflow. To increase its efficiency, it is therefore important to minimize such power loss.

#### 2.2: Literature Reviews

Gagandeep and Sandeep [1] did research that reflects on the different configuration criteria taken into consideration when constructing the experimental set-up and the results of these criteria. Two different methods of convection were tested, Convective mode or natural mode to ponder the coefficient of HT correlated by a respective event the output of the solar air collector. To decrease Glass is used to allow air to circulate through several passes through shading losses. To forecast the air temperature pattern with the term radiation model and design Turbulent, a CFD simulation is used. on atmospheric pressure, the setup works. When comparing experimentally with natural convection, the modeling provides good results. Concerning all convection modes, the temperature properties of the air are shown. The total of passes was considered to improve the air duration of the dwelling since the transition heat to midair enhances the loss of pressure, For glass partitions, the shading losses are offset. Around 12 noon to 2 pmon a sunny day, optimum efficiencies are reached.

Alemu Tiruneh et al. [2] did CFD research which was used to perform a simulation investigation on the natural convection "SAH". For study under the environmental conditions of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, a "SAH" with a single glass shield solar collector with an air gap is chosen. The goal of the analysis is to find optimum angles of inclination considering the natural fluctuations, find optimum air gap width, and describe the effect on the collector performance of the incident radiation magnitude and ambient temperature. The governing continuity, energy, and laws of energy were regarded now multiple proportions intended for modeling systems. By

adjusting the angle of inclination, it was noticed that for November, the optimum angle of inclination that provides maximal energy gain with better mass flow rate and temperature increase was 450, while for May it was 150. The two-pitch angles reflect the two extreme seasons of the year. A collector with 50 mm channel depth was also found to achieve better output velocity and temperature and maximum energy gain, but comparable to 60 mm and 70 mm depth for a 2 m long collector. The performance of the simulation is comparable to the experimental findings published in the literature, which are already accessible.

Chabane et al. [3] experimentally calculated the  $TH_{eff}$  of a SPSAH through 5 attached fins. To improve the sharing of Heat and make transverse fins reduced as its  $A_{bp}$  is being used for fluid flow in the uniform channel. The impact of the MFR of airflow at the  $T_{out}$   $^{0}C$ , HT in the "SHA" depth, or thermodynamic effectiveness have been calculated. In these two airflow velocities for 0.0123 and 0.0165 kg s<sup>-1</sup>, Tests have been performed. For various airspeeds with and without fins, through comparison, the highest performance values achieved be situated at 40.023 %, 51.505 % also 34.923 %, and 43.943 %, correspondingly. A study of the effects with and without fins of  $T_{thp}$  mass flow velocities shows a substantial improvement in  $TH_{eff}$ .

Aboghrara et al. [4] study outline the SAH's experimental analysis of T<sub>out</sub> <sup>0</sup>C and TH<sub>eff</sub>. The experimental test was planned and produced to research the influence of jet intrusion on the robust absorber layer through circular jets in the SAH duct flow besides related to traditional SAH proceeding with the A<sub>bp</sub> of a flat plate. Air and SI radiation are studied under the control of the MFR the degree of temperature also the quality of Outlet air from its outlet. Findings show that impingement of the jet of fluid on the uneven platform is a good thermal enhancing absorption feature. The previous research suggests that the thermal conductivity of SAH is significantly influenced by the mass flow rate. And almost 14 % better than the smooth duct is found in the context of the thermal characteristics of the planned design duct. An average 750 (W/m²) solar radiation, 309.5K atmospheric high temperature, and also approx. 0.02 (kg/s) the rate of mass flow. If the amount of the MFR has increased and the TH<sub>eff</sub> is improving.

Karwa and Sharma [5] provide a comprehensive mathematical model of a once-through solar water heater for efficiency analysis. The model is validated against the effects of experiments. It was used for a variety of architecture, ambient and operating parameters, and heat transfer enhancement on thermal efficiency and pressure drop to research the solar water heater output. Depending on the flow rate, the selective coating ( $\varepsilon = 0.1$ ) collector has thermal efficiency advantage of 9-16%. Collector of 2 mm thick, brazed, or 0.5 mm thick fins Laser or ultrasonic welded thick fins has the same performance. Usage of heat transfer enhancement products, such as a twisted film, for three times heat transfer enhancement, will increase the collector's thermal efficiency by 5.3-6.2%. In the form of concept graphs, the outcomes of the analysis are described

along with the effects of differences in different parameters.

Kumar and Chinnapandian [6] The design and development of a flat plate solar air collector was studied in both steady and transient convection, and it was found that the efficiency of the collector in natural convection provided high efficiency compared to the efficiency of the collector in F<sub>c</sub>. However, the thermal loss in forced convection is significantly lower than in

natural convection. Moreover, the shows that the average air velocity was about 25% higher in F<sub>c</sub> than the natural convection that is important in solar dryers. The collector efficiency of natural convection is 18.6 trillion times greater than that of induced convection collector efficiency at mid-time.

Saxena et al. [7] examined the design and efficiency of a long-term heat storage SAH. The primary goal of its objective is to increase the HT coefficient and increase the efficiency of simple SAH. He introduced an absorbing medium inside the SAH, viz. granular carbon. Measurement of the SAH's thermal efficiency was achieved via performing it on both Force and normal convection on four separate arrangements of parts or components. To give for air heating and drying warm air, he designed besides manufactured two SAH (S¹) and SAH (S²) of identical basic proportions. The maximum efficiencies for 's1' were stated to be 16.16%, 19.02%, 17.04%, and 18.16% on normal convection for 4 distinct systems arrangements, though the overall efficiencies for SAH(S²) were 17.79%, 20.77%, 18.27%, and 18.95% on similar arrangements of natural convection parts.

Singh et al.[8] investigated the friction factor also HT correlations of SAH by distinct V-down spokes as per on the absorber layer, the simulated unevenness He examined the rectangular duct heated the one large wall and artificial roughness provided as V-down ribs subjected to consistent heat flux with Reynolds no shifted as of 3100 to 15900 relative difference to postulate position The significant raise in maximum in the  $N_u$  be present quantified elect 3.0593 and the maximum rise in the ( $F_f$ ) was 3.11 in contrast with the slick tubing. It was also stated that these correlations predicted the estimates of ?? and  $N_u$  with an average absolute variance of 2.1 % and 3.1 % in the context respective of concentrated factors.

Sharad et al. [9] investigated the efficiency of a CFD-based SAH. Simulated ruggedness for, he used an arc-shaped geometry composed of thin circular wire. Arc-shaped geometry's impact on  $F_f$ (friction factor), constant of HT, and efficiency improvement be situated evaluated for a set of conditions for friction factor (Re range 6100 - 18100, solar energy from 0.333 to 0.666 to 1000 W/m², alpha/90). To one hand of the surface absorbing material, the ribs (arc-shaped wires) are supplied and the opposite side is held smooth. It was noted that as the Re rises, Nu rises.

Although the friction factor decreases as the Re increases for all alpha/90 and e/D assemblies and The highest value of the overall ratio of change is 1.7 for the e/D-related roughness geometry of 0.0426 and alpha/90 of 0.333 for the set of parameters considered.

Singal et. al. [10]. In the form of a mixture obliged, with ribs, and circumferential sections attached to an  $A_{bp}$ , Quantitatively writing, examined the  $TH_{eff}$  of SAHs with a roughness element. The blend of transverse ribs and inclined grooves mounted to the  $A_{bp}$  was examined with parameters such as Re scopes from 2000 to 14000, e = 1.6 mm, W/H = 10, P/e = 3-8, P = 5-13 mm, e/Dh = 0.030 in this study of the friction characteristics and HT concentration. The specificities with HT that roughness or resistance was first measured and then the smoother pipe is comparable to it. It's stated this the geometry with a P/e value of 8 results in maximum thermal efficiency under the same flow conditions. Besides, The maximum value for HT observed designed for the best thermal efficiency was also accounted for.

Bhushan et. al. [11] The correlations of  $N_u$  in addition to  $F_f$  for SAH with roughness aspect were investigated in the form of protrusions/dimples added to the absorber plate. It was examined those correlations of  $N_u$  and  $F_f$  be situated generated by the need for data set to anticipate the execution of the framework with such a kind of roughened absorber plate as a system feature then working constraints. Now comparison toward smooth duct for an examined parameter set, the highest increase in  $N_u$  and  $F_f$  was 3.899 and 2.2345 times were identified for being discretely, and the most extreme increase in the coefficient of HT was found to occur intended.

Samuel [12] To determine the efficiency using a very simple moving plate heating model, examined the solar air heating collector. The efficiency can be approximately 0.5 for the ambient air temperature ta = 40 °C, for the theta value of 50 °C approximately 0.45, and for theta value of 60 °C is about 0.37.

Dhiman et.al. [13] The SAH through a full crib roughness element placed now a novel parallel stream was analytically investigated toward concluding TH<sub>eff</sub>. For the study of SAH TH<sub>eff</sub>, a mathematical model was developed and measured using a developed PC code that uses an iterative method of arrangement. It was recorded that with an average blunder of 9.2%, the difference between the results after simulation and exploratory knowledge and the mathematical model generated gives fair expectations of the execution of a SAH as well could be situated as a helpful project instrument designed for upcoming advancement toward mollifying detailed submissions.

Patel et. al. [14] By using  $B_f$  and  $\log_f$  toward the growth of the warm air enactment, investigated the DPSAH. This investigation learning is a close investigation of the  $B_f$  and  $\log_f$  embedded classified the DPSAS's drain with metal sinewy strings. In comparison to the SAH with  $B_f$  and  $\log_f$ , the maximum sun-based radiation was recorded In the membrane of metal sinewy wires

style DPSAH and the highest efficiency was picked up in the DPSAH evaluated to another, with the metal sinewy membrane.

Chamoli et. al. [15] Using arbitrarily corrugated on both sides by the  $A_{bp}$  to boost the efficiency, investigated the D PSAH. It integrates the increase in HT, DPSAH design, fall in Pressure, and duct stream phenomenon. The output of the DPSAH and the many techniques that underestimate its performance are discussed both experimentally and analytically, and numerical models of a few DPSAH designs are discussed. It has been reported by there is enormous scope for future research on the top and bottom parts, DPSAH coordinated by the roughness factor going on the  $A_{bp}$  surface. If the depths of the duct and volume of air circulation Rate are identical to the top and bottom vents on each, the most extreme efficiency is obtained.

Patel et. al. [16]. Towards growth the TH<sub>eff.</sub>, investigated the DPSAH using fins, baffles, then permeable media also calculated the effect of different types of media on the efficiency of DPSAH's. The effects of significant air velocity, temperature differential, mass flow rate, midair pressure differential parameters were observed for these performances to be contemplated. The highest efficiency was stated to be observed when the absorber material was still in the solar uncoated metallic wiry sponge. It was less cost-effective, and market access was easy.

Kumar [17] tested the effectiveness of the DPSAH through artificial roughness using CFD. This circular wire,  $nV_{rib}$ , also  $nV_{rib}$  through openings were V-shaped unevenness geometries used. Roughness parameters are 6 as relative roughness width (W/w), comparative breadth (g / e) is 1.0, comparative length (Gd/Lv) is 0.699, aspect ratio (W/H) is 12, relative roughness height (e/D) is 0.0433, comparative ruggedness pitch (P / e) is 10, and attack the degree is 60°. The rise in HT has been stated to have been extended to 1.7 times with the heat transfer of the seamless surface for  $nV_{rib}$ , increased to 4.7 times for multi V-shaped, and 5.6 times for  $nV_{rib}$  by space of ribs.

Promvonge et. al. [18] For the thermal output of turbulent channel flows over the absorber plate having differently designed ribs, investigated the SAH. The key objective of this analysis was to enhance the experimental results information on different rib shapes with a comparable e/H ratio of 0.3 imposed on a duct with turbulent duct flows with a high aspect ratio of 4000 to 16000. Instead of the rectangular one, the staggered triangular rib should be connected to achieve risen HT and  $TH_{eff}$  of near 57.5 %, moving towards to the shorter exchangers and the absolute best control at the lowest  $R_e$  numbers for all ribs.

Saini et. al. [19] experimentally investigated the SAH because of the friction factor of the arrow wire for the development of  $N_u$  to increase the rate of HT,  $N_u$  comparisons. Aimed at this investigation, A movement for air in the conduit was taken in parallel. It was stated that the most extreme increase in  $N_u$  keeps on measured as 3.808 often the angle of absolute curve comparison

circumstances (alpha) = 0.3333 during this peak of friction factor = 0.0422, the friction factor increase was 1.75 times compared to these parameters only.

Chander et. al. [20] To analyze the friction factor, HT, and thermo- hydraulic efficiency properties of the stream in a rectangular duct, investigated the SAH with nV<sub>rib</sub> together to this side, with the dispersed Vrib connected of the A<sub>bp</sub> as a roughness feature. The rectangular duct with Re scope from 4000 to 12000, aspect proportion of 12, V<sub>rib</sub> depth to a radius of the hydraulic proportion beginning 0.0266 to 0.0577, V<sub>rib</sub> through drop to peak proportion scope average 9, angle of attack ( $\alpha$ ) scope from 40° to 80°, spaced dimensions of  $V_{rib}$  to the ratio of  $V_{rib}$  peak = 4.5, the width of distance to an altitude of  $V_{rib}$  proportion = 1, relative spaced pitch for  $V_{rib}$  = 0.65 and 2 total of gap (n) placed V-leg along both sides were used. The 2 highs for the N<sub>u</sub> related to the 6 and 12 and the decline in the  $N_u$  were recorded to rise more than 0.044 in the / Dh and the extreme growth in the N<sub>u</sub> then the thermo-hydraulic output was 3.34 and 2.45 separately. Kant et. al. [21] Examined the DPSAH for different performance enhancement methods. by lowering the misfortunes of the surface of the collector by supplying the best possible isolation and extending the natural convection constant amid the working fluid and the heat collecting surface through growing the HT field, the efficiency of a customary SAH could be adequately enhanced. The double-pass design will boost this heat transfer field. He used components for compact beds, sides for perforated absorption, and extended Layers. The objectives of this article were to analyze different methods of HT increment used in DPSAHs. It has been stated that it is possible to use the recycling principle to grow the TH<sub>eff</sub> of DPSAHs.

Singh et. al.[22] studied the DPSAH through an assembled bed as a part of roughness to improve thermal efficiency. The material used in this investigation was the porous assembled bed of DPSAH in an upper duct. In contrast to an assembled bed, the thermal efficiency improves dramatically while adding porous medium to the bottom tube, and SAH excluding an assembled bed. In this study, a large literature review of double channel DPSAH was seen to stress the importance of dual-channel assembled bed DPSAH's. The HT constant through assembled bed SAH has been reported to increase substantially and thus improve thermal efficiency. The hypothetical and exploratory reviews were possibly recorded to demonstrate that the dual-pass, for example, counter and parallel flow assembled bed SAH, works superior to the designed single-pass bed SAH due to the decrease in thermodynamic troubles of the double duct system's inside and back surfaces.

Murugavel et. al. [23] experimentally tested the double-pass SAH with thermal energy sourcing. sodium silicate was utilized as a medium for utilization in heat energy on the absorber plate in the aluminum round and hollow (cylindrical) capsules. The experimental research was performed to test the efficiency of the DPSAH under the K.R. metrological environment with different

setups. Nagar, which is in the state of Tamil Nadu, India (9  $^{\circ}$  11'N, 77  $^{\circ}$  52'E). It was stated that the paraffin wax transfers almost high-temperature air for the rest of the day as energy storage material in SAH and the output is also higher in the mid-night hours and the capsules are put on the  $A_{bp}$  of DPSAH where the effective one.

Mirzaei et. al.[24] tested the SAH to find the right procedure. Try various items with a single pass and DPSAH collectors Including layers of WM and ordinary and punctured covers rather than an absorber plate by outline and inspection. The porous media has been mounted around the collector this aims to maximize porous structure in a way that and a slight pressure drop. The primary objective of the goal of this work was to tentatively analyze the SAH output and recommend the arrangement that prompts maximum thermal efficiency. To frame the same solar-based collector, the design and investigation of the experimental technique were used and the knowledge was dissected with SPSS-IBM. At an MFR 0.032 kg/s, the most extreme regular proficiency was recorded to be 54.8 %. It was received from the DPSAH collector as well as a corrugated layer of a fourth cover, even though at the comparable flow rate, the most extreme means TH<sub>eff</sub> acquired from the DPSAH of CF from a standard shield case cover was found to be 50.9%.

Nowzaria et. al.[25] Quantitatively examined the DPSAH in which the  $A_{bp}$  was exchanged with the opening of 14 thin steel WML and placed parallel to the glass in the channel. To reduce the pressure drop, the separation between any arrangement of WML was 0.50001 cm. The black paint was added to WML until they were put into the collector. The maximum temperature gradient (53  $^{\circ}$  C) was achieved at a gradient of 0.011113 kg / s and the mean output of the DPSAH collector with a channel height of 3 cm was 53.7001 % for the MFR value of 0.037001 kg /s.

Shalaby et. al. [26] Evaluated, numerically and practically, the DPFPSAH and the V-shaped corrugated absorber plate DPVCPSAH for  $TH_{eff.}$ , i.e.  $F_c$ . To measure the change in the thermal properties, a mathematical model was carried out. Various measurements and comparisons were performed, such as airstream outlet temperature, plate temperature absorber, double pass finned power at the outlet. DPVCPSAH was reported to be more effective from the 9.3 to 11.9 % range compared to DPFPSAH, there was an improvement in thermal efficiencies of DPFPSAH and DPVCPSAH with an improvement in MFR value until it reached 0.044 kg/s, past which the  $TH_{eff.}$  expansion of both systems was irrelevant, the thermal-hydraulic efficiency of DPVCPSAH has been reported to have reached 0.044 kg/s,

Aldabbagh et. al. [27] experimentally evaluated the SPSAH and DPSAH with the roughness portion attached as a fin and used a steel wire mesh to find the thermal output on the absorber plate. The impacts on the  $TH_{eff.}$  and an exit varies of Temperatures between 0.01222 kg/s and 0.03888

kg/s of the MFR of air was studied. The porosity used is made up of an absorbent medium used consists of layers of SWM mounted at a distance of 1 cm above each other in an arrangement from base to top to provide more absorbency then towards decrease the  $P_d$  over the SAH. The longitudinal fins were added and settled along the higher and lesser passage for the SAH to increase the  $C_{SA}$ . The second point for this research was to investigate the effect on the  $TH_{eff}$  of the primary passage height of the SAH. It was recorded that the extreme  $TH_{eff}$  obtained was 59.6233 % and 63.7411 % respectively designed for both SPSAH and DPSAH for the constant MFR of air = 0.03801 kg/s.

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Alamar et al. [34] did a CFD simulation of two-phase flow inside a thermosiphon is in this analysis. The results of the fill ratio (ratio of liquid volume to evaporator volume) and the  $A^0$  on its TH<sub>eff</sub> in terms of temperature distribution and T<sub>HR</sub> are studied by heat pipes using FLUENT (ANSYS 15). CFD simulation results were compared with reported experimental evidence indicating strong agreement for temperature distribution and T<sub>HR</sub> with a maximum variance of 4.2 % and 8.1 %, respectively. Besides, numerical  $A^0$  results were also compared in terms of T<sub>HR</sub> with experimental data, giving a maximum deviation of 1.3 %. Using validated CFD modeling, the results revealed that there was a substantial rise in evaporator temperature at a medium fill ratio and a medium  $A^0$ . Concerning the T<sub>HR</sub>, with all the heat input values used, a fill ratio of 65 % and an  $A^0$  of 90 % provided the lowest T<sub>HR</sub>.

Dahmer et al. [35] experimented by using real-time weather data from two cities: Perth, Australia (a representative city in the southern hemisphere) and Amman, Jordan (a representative city in the northern hemisphere), the influence of the solar collector field,

collector slope, hot water temperature and flow rate on system output were investigated. The simulation findings revealed that the two cities had identical SI during the summertime and that at a relatively high COP system, the solar adsorption chiller could effectively provide cooling. The mean COP system was 0.491 for Perth weather conditions and 0.467 for Amman weather conditions for residential cooling with a cumulative CPC (Compound Parabolic Collector) solar collector area of 36.22 m2, while the cooling power was 10.3 kW for Perth and 8.46 kW for Amman, respectively, at peak hours and 80 °C hot water temperature, with a 0.33 kg/s hot water flow rate.

Kabul et al. [36] conducted an inclusive experimental model of adapted coaxial heat pipe inserted inside the evacuated glass developed and analyzed. The annulus was charged with two separate refrigerants R-22 and R-134a between two concentric tubes conducted by the heat pipe. The tests were performed at Alexandria in the summer months. At four separate air MFR of 0.0051, 0.0062, 0.007, and 0.009 kg/s, the coaxial heat pipe was checked. The filling ratio and the type of refrigerant have been experimentally studied as parameters influencing the  $TH_{eff}$  of the experimental model. The results show that during the experiment time, the overall improvement in  $TH_{eff}$  with the changed heat pipe relative to without a heat pipe reached 67 % at m = 0.009 kg/s at the optimum tilt angle  $2^{0}$ . At the filling ratio of 30 % for MFR  $m^{0} = 0.0051$  and 0.0062 kg/s and 40 % filling ratio at  $m^{0} = 0.007$  and 0.009 kg/s, the optimum  $TH_{eff}$  was achieved.

Goyal et al. [37] investigated to compare two different types of engineered and manufactured SAH output for  $N_c$  and  $F_c$  testing. In both convection modes, the SAH with fins is found to be more efficient. FPC for SAHs, one with a fin and the other without a fin. Comparisons were also presented between the measured outlet temperatures of the circulating air, the  $A_{bp}$  temperature, and the power output. The SAH with fins is found to be 8.5 % more effective during  $N_c$  than the SAH without fins, and the SAH with fins is 10.45 % more efficient during  $F_c$  at 280 °C  $T_a$  without fins.

Pakdaman et al. [38] deal with an experimental analysis to test various thermal properties of a longitudinal rectangular fins array  $N_c$  FPC of SAH. SI and atmospheric temperature have been regarded as separate parameters in the presented scientific model, which may have industrial implications. Compared to other related research, the specific distinction in this analysis is the presentation of an observational model for rectangular-finned SAHs. This model proposes design principles and thumb laws and displays the estimates of the parameters of the design. Based on the order of magnitude study, the key parameter that characterizes the system's thermal activity is SI. Besides, exergy analysis and optimal conditions have been conducted in which the system has the maximum  $TH_{\rm eff}$  was measured.

Kumar [39] performed an analysis of the transfer of natural convective heat from the horizontal rectangular SAH that has been experimentally studied. It was observed that air is heated due to the greenhouse effect, resulting in a lower density allowing air to rise and flow. It often allows the process to bring in fresh air and therefore repetition. Many parameters were measured and considered in good alignment with the results obtained from several correlations available in the literature, such as N<sub>u</sub>, Rayleigh number, HT rate, and temperature difference.

Karwa and Srivastava [40] examined the effects of a SAH's  $TH_{eff}$  study with v-down discrete rib roughness on the  $A_{bp}$ 's airflow side, which provides hot air for space heating applications. The air heater runs at a set temperature of 295 K from the conditional space in closed-loop mode with inlet air. The atmospheric temperature ranged from 278 K to 288 K, referring to Western Rajasthan, India's winter season. The findings of the study are displayed in the form of output plots that a planner will use to measure the optimal airflow rate at varying atmospheric temperatures and values for solar insolation.

#### 3.1 Thermal Analysis of Flat Plate Collector

Energy balance of the A<sub>bp</sub>, under steady-state condition yields:

$$=A_pS-q_L \tag{3.1.1}$$

where  $q_u$  = useful heat gain

 $A_P$ = area of absorbing plate

S = incident solar flux absorber in collector

 $q_L$  = rate at which energy is lost

Heat transfer rate to the working fluid is;

$$= m (T_{fo} - T_{fi}) (3.1.2).$$

where, m = mass flow rate of fluid, kg/s

 $C_f$  = specific heat of fluid J/m<sup>2</sup>K

 $T_{fi}$  = fluid temperature at the input of collector

 $T_{fo}$  = fluid temperature at the outlet of the collector

Solar flux incident on the top of the collector is;

$$I_T = I_b r_b + I_d r_d + (I_b + I_d) r_r. (3.1.3)$$

$$r_b = \frac{\delta \sin(\Phi - \beta) + \cos\delta \cos\omega \cos(\Phi - \beta)}{2}.....(3.1.4)$$

 $sin\delta sin\Phi + cos\delta cos\omega cos\Phi$ 

$$r_d = (1 + \cos\beta) / 2 \tag{3.1.5}$$

$$r_r = (1 - \cos \beta)/2$$
 (3.1.6)

Where  $\rho$  is the reflection coefficient of the ground. The flux S absorbed in the  $A_{bp}$  is given as;

$$S = (\tau \alpha) + \{ I_d + (I_b + I_d)r_r \} (\tau \alpha)_d$$
 (3.1.7)

Where,  $\tau$  = transmissivity of the glass cover system

 $\alpha$  = absorptivity of the absorber plate

 $(\tau \alpha)_b$  = transmissivity-absorptivity product for beam radiation falling on the collector

 $(\tau \alpha)_d$  = transmissivity-absorptivity product for diffuse radiation falling on collector

The instantaneous collection efficiency  $\eta_i$  of a flat plate collector is given by;

$$\begin{split} \eta_i &= \frac{\textit{useful heat gain}}{\textit{solar radiation incident on}} \\ &= \frac{\textit{the collector}}{\textit{qu/A_cI}} \end{aligned}$$

## Chapter 4

### FABRICATION OF SOLAR WIRE MESH AIR COLLECTOR

### 4.1. Experimental Set-Up Fabrication of Solar Wire Mesh Air Collector



Figure 4.1.1: Main body of solar wire mesh air collector

Mainly 5mm wooden plywood is used in the base and the outer wall is fabricated by 10mm wood (meranti wood) and legs are mounted with 2.5inch (63.5mm) wood.

**Table 4.1:** Wire mesh solar air heater geometric and physical parameters

Length(m)	Width(m)	The angle of	Absorber	Glass	Glass
		collector from	plate's	transmittance	absorption
		horizontal	absorption	Coefficient	Coefficient
		$(A^0)$	coefficient ( $\alpha$ )	(τ)	$(\alpha_{ m g})$
2	1	45 <sup>0</sup>	0.95	0.9	0.05



Figure 4.1.2: Installing the thermocouple on absorber plate

In Fig. 4.1 with 50mm (5cm), thermal insulation with an aluminum absorber plate of 22 gauge 0.7 to 0.8 mm (0.027 to 0.032 inch) thick with black paint with sand particles is coated. A thermocouple is installed for measuring  $A_{bp}$  temperature.



Figure 4.1.3 installing of the thermocouple on wire mesh

In this figure wire mesh is installed in between glass and  $A_{bp}$  and wire mesh is placed from absorber plate at a distance of 50mm (5cm). The thermocouple is also installed in wire mesh, and between wire mesh and  $A_{bp}$ .



Figure 4.1.4: Fan assembly installation with duct

In Fig.4.1 the duct is installed with a fan. These fans are intended for forced-air cooling of electronic devices with the Ac axial cooling blower exhaust rotary fan. The ac fan aims to protect the electronic devices in the system, as well as any other cooling fan, by holding them at an optimal cooling temperature. By spinning at variable speeds, the fan will produce cool air, thereby defending against thermal variations that will inevitably damage the devices and avoid an early letdown. These apparatuses need to be kept within some particular temperature range to operate efficiently and to prevent overheating, failure, uncertainty, and breakdown leading to a smaller lifecycle. Blowing air along the axis of the fan operates an AC (alternating current) cooling fan. The duct diameter is 90mm.



Figure 4.1.5: Fan back view



Figure 4.1.6 fan dimesnsions

Brand	Maa-Ku
Color	Black
Controller type	Button control
Material	Metal
Blade length	110mm
Item dimensions L*W*H	12*12*3.8 cm
Item weigth	400gm
Mounting	Flush mounting
Voltage and power	230v & 22 watts

Model no	Ac12038	
Rated voltage	220 vac	
Frequency	50/60hz	
Current	0.14/0.13 amp rated input	
Power	22watt	
Speed	2600rpm	
Size	120*120*38mm	
Airflow	90/100cfm	

#### 4.1.7 Table technical specification

This exhaust fan is good for small area (5\*3\*6) feet This cooling fan is best for cabinet

This ac axial fan is used in multi-purpose functions

This fan is free to stand style

Noise: 40/45 dba, body material: aluminum die-cast with coating fan

Blade plastic p.b.t, bearing type: Sleeve, Color: black



Figure 4.1.7: Installation of fan at the inlet of wire mesh collector

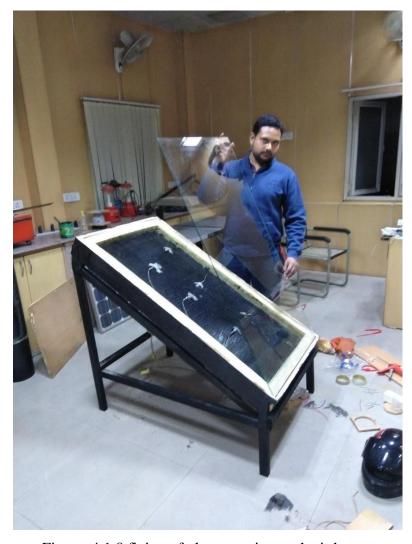


Figure 4.1.8 fixing of glass on wire mesh air heater

Table. Fixing of toughened glass of 5mm thickness

Glass Properties	Toughened glass
Thermal shock Resistance	Up to 250 degrees Celsius
Mechanical Strength	Four to five times stronger than annealed glass
Tensile Strength	65Mpa
Bending strength	120-200n/mm <sup>2</sup>
Surface compression	>95mpa
Design stress for architectural purposes	50mpa
Fragmentation	Small round crystals
Conductive for processing	Cannot be cut after toughening

### **4.2 Instruments**

## 4.2.1 Hygrometer



Figure 4.2.1: Hygrometer

# **4.2.2** Temperature indicator



Figure 4.2.2: temperature indicator

# 4.2.3 Solar power meter



Figure 4.2.3 Solar power meter

# 4.2.4 Testo 416 anemometer for measuring air velocity



Figure 4.2.4 Anemometers for measuring air velocity

## **CHAPTER 5**

# ANSYS 19.2 SIMULATION OF SOLAR WIRE MESH AIR HEATER

# 5.1. Geometry

### **5.1.1.** Isometric view

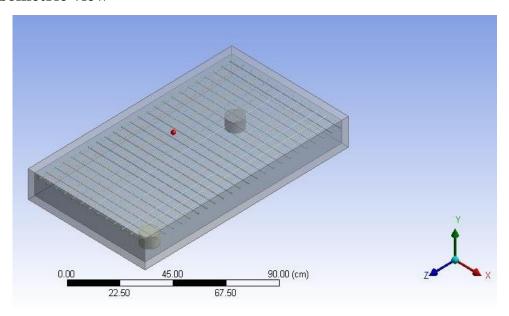


Figure 5.1.1.An isometric view

### Top view

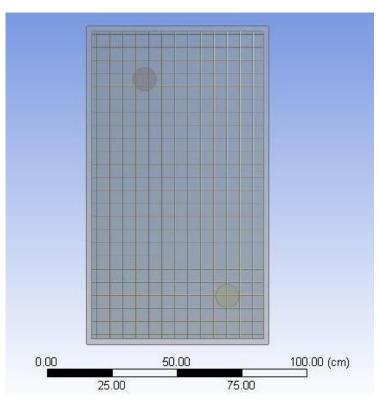


Figure 5.1.1.b Top view

### **Bottom view**

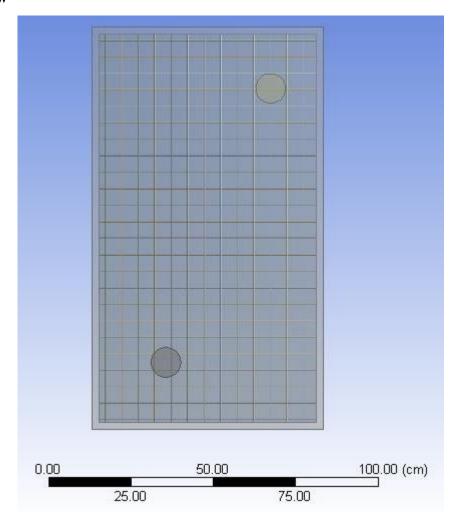


Figure Bottom view

#### Front view

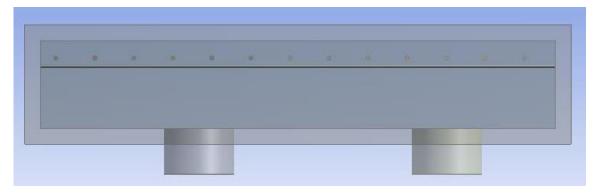


Figure front view

#### **Back view**

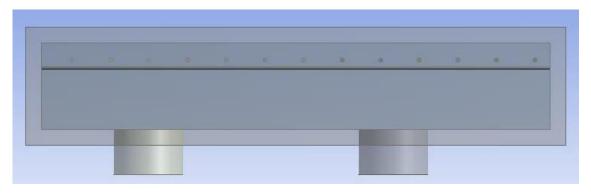


Figure back view

## Left view

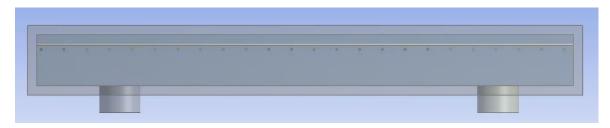


Figure 5.1.1.F left view

## Right view

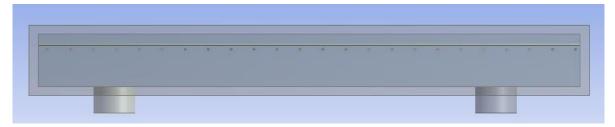


Figure 5.1.1.G right view

#### CHAPTER 6

#### **RESULTS & DISCUSION**

#### **Experimental Results**

#### **RESULT**

The findings of experimental research on the  $T_{thp}$  of a WMSAH are provided in this experiment. In direction to maximize the surface of heat exchange, the temperature of output, and  $TH_{eff}$ , a black wire mesh for an  $A_{bp}$  must be designed in particular. Tables 6.1a show that for the SAH without wire mesh and a black  $A_{bp}$ , increases in MFR affect the temperature of the wire mesh and the temperature of an  $A_{bp}$  by 5 to 6 C.

By rates of 5.3 percent and 6.13 percent, the  $TH_{eff}$  of the type with WMSAH is shown to be higher than the FPC. We can improve this SI by adding wire mesh above the  $A_{bp}$  for moving the HT energy in between the  $A_{bp}$  and the wire mesh and the heat energy on an  $A_{bp}$  for transportation of fluid with the MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1; see Tables 6.3a and 6.3b, and a lesser SI by rates 162 and 187W m2, respectively; we can recover this loose SI by adding wire mesh above the  $A_{bp}$  for moving the heat energy in between 27.92 percent and 42.83 percent, respectively, were the maximum  $TH_{eff}$  figures measured.

Table 6.1a: Temperature variation of FPC and WMSAH along thickness(Y)m

Thickness(Y)m	Flat plate Temperature (°C)	Mesh Temperature ( <sup>0</sup> C)
0	34.8	38.7
0.02	87.5	95.5
0.06	72.02	83.07
1	21.1	31.02

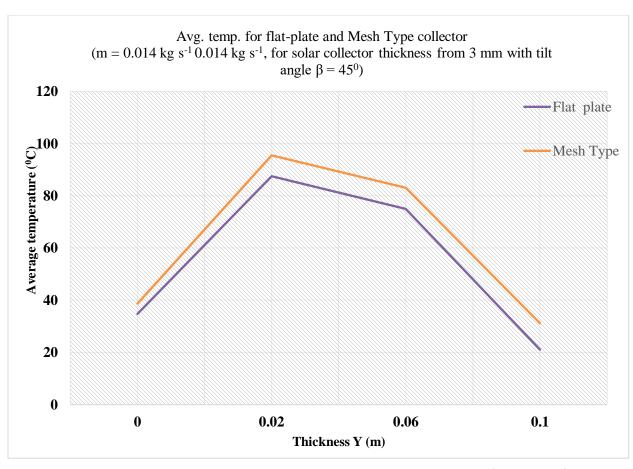


Fig 6.1a: Avg. temp for flate plate and wire mesh type collector (m=0.014kg s<sup>-1</sup> 0.014 kg s<sup>-1</sup>, for solar collector thickness for 3mm with tilt angle  $\beta$ =45<sup>0</sup>

Table (6.2a) flat plate solar air heater

X(m)	T <sub>pl</sub> c	T <sub>ab</sub> c	T <sub>bp</sub> c	T <sub>ep</sub> c
0.388	34.05	87	67.5	28.5
0.776	34.05	88	86	31.65
1.164	35.55	87	79	32.55
1.552	36.2	95	71	30.25

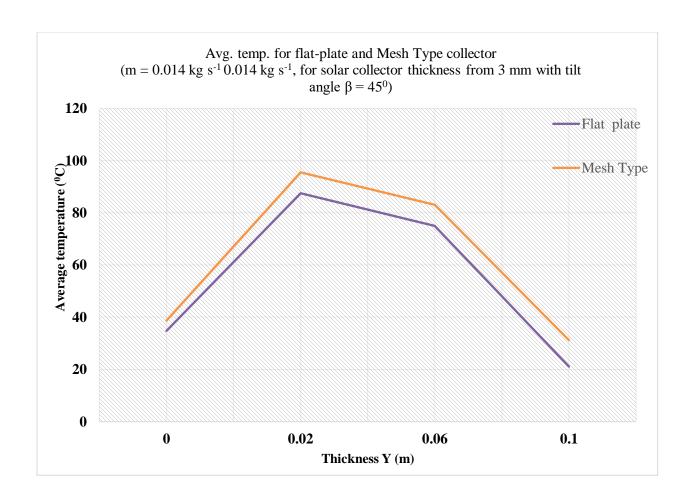


Figure 6.2a: Avg. temp for flat plate and wire mesh type collector (m=0.014kg s<sup>-1</sup> 0.014 kg s<sup>-1</sup>,for solar collector thickness for 3mm with tilt angle  $\beta$ =45<sup>0</sup>

Table (6.2 b) wire mesh solar air heater

(x) m	$T_{ m pl}$	$T_{ab}$	$T_{bp}$	$T_{ m ep}$
0.388	39.05	95.5	72.7	32.45
0.776	39.35	96.8	91.5	31.5
1.164	41.05	95.4	88.4	30.8
1.552	42.65	101.5	84.3	29.7

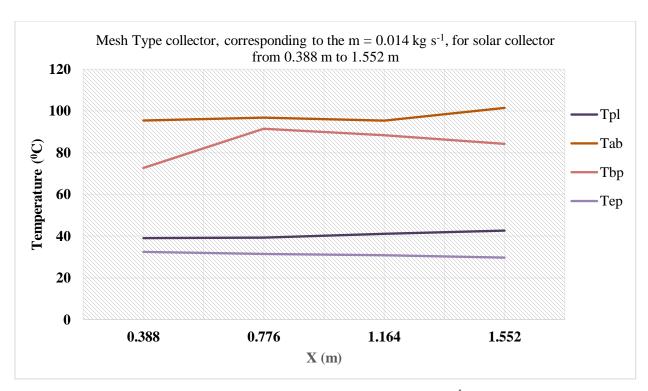


Figure 6.1b: Wire mesh type collector corresponding to m=0.014kgs<sup>-1</sup>, for solar collector from 0.388m to 1.552m

Table (6.3a) Flat plate type collector SI and efficiency

Time (h)	I (wm <sup>-2</sup> )	η (%)
9:00	421	22.94
10:00	627	29.1
11:00	783	30.02
12:00	867	33.52
13:00	895	34.92
14:00	847	33.59
15:00	725	29.42
16:00	485	27.92

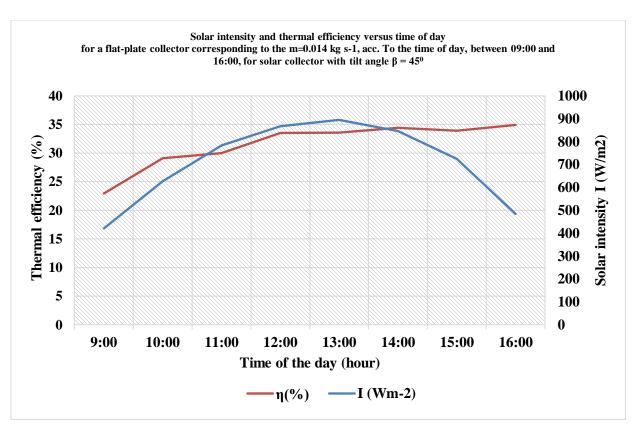


Figure 6.3a: Solar intensity and thermal efficiency versus time of the day for flat plate collector corresponding to the m=0.014kgs<sup>-1</sup>,acc,to the time of the day, between 09:00 and 16:00, for solar collector with tilt angle  $\beta$ =45<sup>0</sup>

Table (6.3b) wire mesh type collector si and efficiency

Time(h)	I (wm <sup>-2</sup> )	η (%)
9:00	521.25	32.67
10:00	712.5	35.299
11:00	843.75	41.525
12:00	925	40.26
13:00	941.25	40.986
14:00	855	44.022
15:00	771.25	43.692
16:00	725	42.834

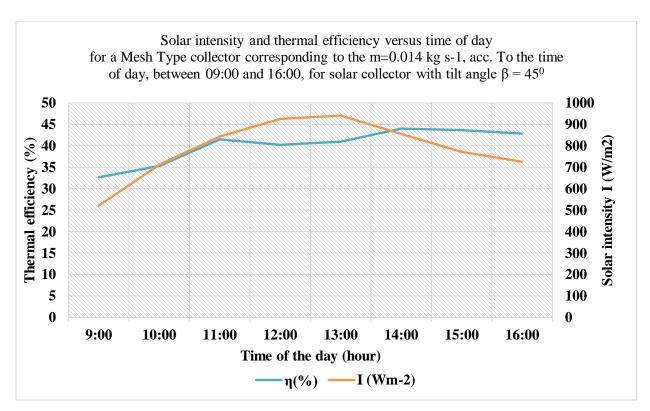


Figure 6.3b'- Solar intensity and thermal efficiency versus time of the day for wire mesh type collector corresponding to the m=0.014kgs<sup>-1</sup>,acc,to the time of the day, between 09:00 and 16:00, for solar collector with tilt angle  $\beta$ =45<sup>0</sup>

Table (6.4a) flat plate collector inlet and outlet temperatures

Time (h)	Tin ( <sup>0</sup> C)	$T_{out}(^{0}C)$	$T_a(^0C)$
9:00	29.2	39.1	27
10:00	32.1	49.7	31.4
11:00	34	59.7	32.5
12:00	36	53.5	34.5
13:00	33.5	66.1	32.6
14:00	38.2	65.2	36.5
15:00	38.1	62.7	33.8
16:00	37.5	60.7	32.8

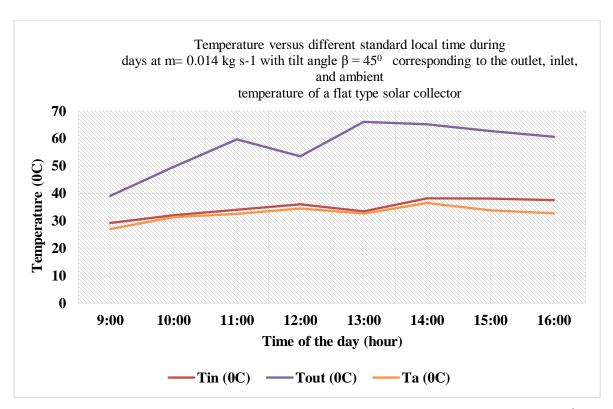


Figure 6.4a: Temperature versus different standard local time during days at  $m=0.014kgs^{-1}$  with tilt angle  $\beta=45^{\circ}$  corresponding to outlet, inlet and ambient temperature of flat type solar collector

Table (6.4b) wire mesh type collector inlet and outlet temperatures

Time (h)	Tin ( <sup>0</sup> c)	$T_{out}(^{0}c)$	$T_a(^0c)$
9:00	30.2	43.1	25
10:00	33.1	53.7	29.4
11:00	35	63.7	30.5
12:00	37	67.5	32.5
13:00	38.5	70.1	30.6
14:00	39.2	69.2	34.5
15:00	39.1	66.7	31.8
16:00	38.5	64.7	30.8

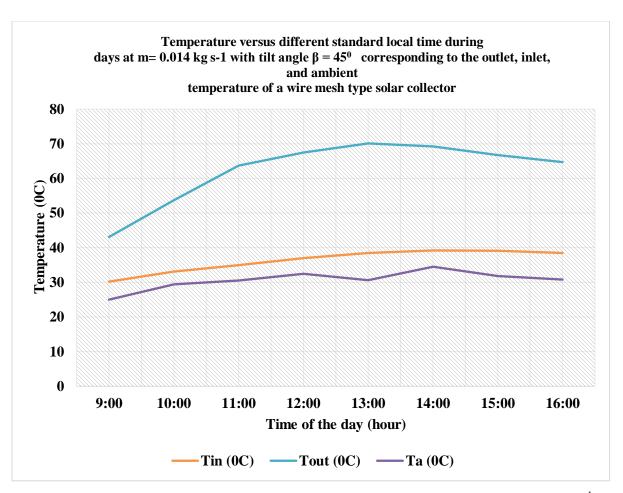


Figure 6.4b: Temperature versus different standard local time during days at m=0.014kgs<sup>-1</sup> with tilt angle  $\beta$ =45 $^{0}$  corresponding to outlet, inlet, and ambient temperature of wire mesh type solar collector

Table (6.5a) comparison between flat plate and wire mesh type collector efficiency

Time(h)	Flat plate Efficiency (%)	Wire mesh collector Efficiency (%)
9:00	22.94	32.67
10:00	29.1	35.299
11:00	30.02	41.525
12:00	33.52	40.26
13:00	34.92	40.986
14:00	33.59	44.022
15:00	29.42	43.692
16:00	27.92	42.834

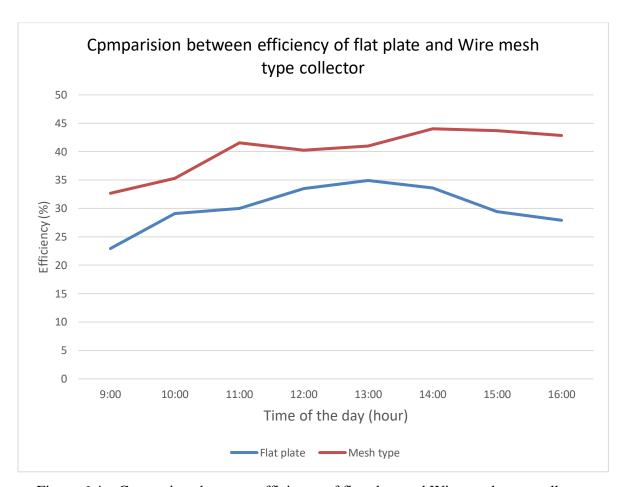


Figure 6.4a: Comparison between efficiency of flat plate and Wire mesh type collector

#### **Discussion**

the  $T_{av}{}^{0}$ C distribution in a SAH thickness and the variation of the  $T_{av}{}^{0}$ C corresponding to the  $A_{bp}$ , wire mesh Figures 6.3a and 6.3b show the difference; at MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1, the variation in curves is significant, and the wire mesh's duty is to let convective HT to the  $A_{bp}$  and ensure a better heat exchange. Increases in MFR affect the temperature of the wire mesh and the temperature of an  $A_{bp}$  by 4 to 6 C for the SAH without wire mesh and with wire mesh, as shown in Tables 6.1a.

(Tbp= 75.02 and 83.07 C) and (Tab= 87.50 and 95.5 C) (see Table 6.1a). On a wooden frame, the collectors are mounted. The  $A_{bp}$  absorbs the SI that passes through the glass in the field. After then, the heat is transmitted to the collector fluid.

the  $T_{av}{}^{0}$ C of a SAH without wire mesh for lengths ranging from 0.388 to 1.552 m and MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1, respectively. The  $T_{av}{}^{0}$ C of a wire mesh at a length of x2 =0.776 m at m = 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1 was (Tbp =86 , while the  $T_{av}{}^{0}$ C of an  $A_{bp}$  was (Tab=91.50 see Table 6.2a. The WMSAH absorbs more heat from an  $A_{bp}$  on average, suggesting that the fluid between the wire mesh and the  $A_{bp}$  absorbs heat from the  $A_{bp}$ . At point x2, the temperature of an  $A_{bp}$  is lowered.

In Figs. 6.4a and 6.4b, the difference in  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  of both x1 and x2 can be seen, indicating that Tab(x2) (Tab(x3) and Tab(x4)) Tab(x1); this shows that the fluid absorbs less HT energy for each point along the length of a SAH except point x2. The  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  of an  $A_{bp}$  decreases slightly as the MFR increases, except in x2; the  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  of the WMSAH approaching the  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  of an  $A_{bp}$  is not approaching, because the fluid takes more HT energy from the  $A_{bp}$  and the wire mesh also takes this energy.

6.2a and 6.2b illustrate the  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  of a SAH as a function of length, from 0.388 to 1.552 m, for modes with wire mesh at MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1, respectively. As can be observed, the curves evolve in an expectable pattern, and the temperature values of the  $A_{bp}$  and WMSAH rise in a predictable pattern: (Tab =88 and 96.8 C) and (Tbp=86 and 91.5 C) at x2=0.776 m, respectively. The fluid absorbs more heat energy from the  $A_{bp}$  and the wire mesh, which can be explained.

The temperature of the WMSAH lowers as the MFR increases, indicating that the operation of delivering the fluid takes more heat off the wire mesh and cools it. It should be noted that the  $T_{av}{}^{0}C$  Tab(x1, m) Tab(x2,m) Tab(x3,m) -Tab(x3,m) -Tab(x4,m) -Tab(x4,m

The reason for the difference between Figures 6.4a' and 6.4b' and Figures 6.3a' and 6.3b' is that the wire mesh and  $A_{bp}$  were added to the SAH for the best  $T_{thp}$  of the SAH; the air is distributed very well and absorbs more HT energy from the wire mesh and the  $A_{bp}$ . Because wire mesh obtains more heat due to an increase in heating time through circulating the air inside, and a glass helps to reduce  $N_c$  heat losses, the temperature values vary (rise). This exchange occurs along the full length of the collector when wire mesh is present.

The TH<sub>eff</sub> and SI vary with air MFR, as shown in Figures 6.4a', and 6.4b',6.3a'and6.3b'. The TH<sub>eff</sub> used to evaluate the effectiveness of the SAH is computed; based on both values, the TH<sub>eff</sub>

improves as the SI and MFR increase over time. WMSAH have higher efficiency than non-wire mesh SAH. The TH<sub>eff</sub> of a SAH with and without wire mesh is compared in Figs. 6.5a' for two distinct MFR. Tables 6.5a, 6.3a and 6.3b contain the data for each SAH.

At an air MFR of 0.016 kg s1 and a 45 tilt angle at 16:00 h, the mean maximum  $TH_{eff}$  (g= 40.02 percent) was attained by type with wire mesh at SI I= 480 W m2. The lowest mean  $TH_{eff}$  (g= 34.92 percent) was obtained with type without wire mesh at an air MFR of 0.012 kg s1 and a 45 tilt angle at SI I = 485 W m2 at 16:00 h. Based on the performance curves at a tilt angle of 45 [34], the performance curves of two modes of the SAHs evaluated for this work are illustrated in Figs. 6.3a', and 6.3b', 6.5a'.

The SAH with wire mesh had a better  $TH_{eff}$  than the one without wire mesh, which corresponded to two air flow rates. The flat-plate SAH showed a greater SI than the wire mesh type, depending on air MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1. It can be seen that the  $A_{bp}$  with the lowest SI has the maximum  $TH_{eff}$ , which helps to add wire mesh back to the  $A_{bp}$ . Because the air had more time to warm up inside the collector, the SAH heated the air significantly more efficiently at the reduced air MFR.

The change of ambient  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$  and  $T_{in}{}^{0}C$  as a function of air MFR and time during the day is shown in Figures 6.4a' and 6.4b' (please refer to Tables6.4a and 6.4b). The temperature was determined experimentally, and the curves of output temperature tend to increase when the air MFR decreases, as shown in Figs. 6.4a'and 6.4b',6.5a'. The  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$  and  $T_{in}{}^{0}C$  rise with increasing sun SI for a particular air MFR at a constant  $T_a$ . The wire mesh has returned to an  $A_{bp}$ , which aids in raising the  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$  of air.

For MFR of m=0.012 and 0.016 kg s1, the  $T_{\rm in}{}^0C$  was shown to rise exponentially from morning to evening. Tin = 29.2 and 30.2 degrees Celsius at 9:00 a.m., respectively, for ambient temps Ta= 27 and 28.3 degrees Celsius. Due to improved HT to the air flow, the SAHs TH<sub>eff</sub> improves as air MFR increase, and the temperature differential reduces at a constant tilt angle of 45 degrees. As expected, SI peaks around 13:30 p.m. As the day progresses, the SI gradually lowers.

The modification in air  $T_{in}{}^{0}C$  and  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$ , as well as instantaneous SI levels, are shown in Figs. 6.4a' and 6.4b'. The temperature ranged from 30.6 degrees Celsius. The  $T_{a}$  was used to compare the  $T_{in}{}^{0}C$ 's of the two types of SAHs. When determining the performance of the SAHs, the

temperature disparities between the  $T_{in}{}^{0}C$  and  $T_{out}{}^{0}C$  can be readily compared. The greatest SI is 867 and 895W m2 for an FPC and 925wm $^{-2}$  and 941.25wm $^{-2}$  for a WMSAH. For all of the days in which trials were conducted, it increased in the morning to a peak value and then began to fall in the afternoon, as expected.

# CHAPTER 7 CONCLUSIONS

The aim of this research is to look into WMSAH designs and determine their  $TH_{eff}$ . In this experiment, a SAH with and without wire mesh attached to the  $A_{bp}$  was compared. SI, MFR, SAH surface geometry, and the use of wire mesh back the  $A_{bp}$  all affect the effectiveness of SAHs. Due to improved heat transfer to the airflow, the  $TH_{eff}$  of the SAH rises as sun SI increases at MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1.

The WMSAH has been shown to be more efficient. The WMSAH with a tilt angle of 45 attained the best collector TH<sub>eff</sub> and air temperature rise, whereas the collector without wire mesh achieved the lowest values. To maximize the effectiveness of the SAH, optimal air MFR are advised. Changes in flow state from laminar to turbulent can be linked to the large increase in efficiency from 0.012 to 0.016 kg s1. With increasing MFR, the slope of the efficiency curves drops, suggesting a decrease in the loss coefficient. When the T<sub>in</sub> is close to the T<sub>a</sub>, the experimental findings indicate better agreement.

The SI and SAH surface geometry have a big impact on the efficiency of WMSAH. As the MFR rises from 0.012 to 0.016 kg s1, the TH<sub>eff</sub> rises as well. SAH have been shown to have better efficiency. The WMSAH with a 45-degree angle produced the best collector TH<sub>eff</sub> and air temperature rise, whereas the SAH without wire mesh produced the lowest results. At MFR of 0.012 and 0.016 kg s1, TH<sub>eff</sub> ranged from 27.92 percent to 42.83 percent, respectively, with and without wire mesh.

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