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Analysis of Fin Tube Evaporator Through CFD

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Abstract
The primary objective of this study is to design and analysis of a with the usage of many engineering methods and tools. This evaporator is an important element of various commercial and industrial applications. Its efficiency and performance effects straight to the general procedure efficiently. An evaporator is one of the main components of air conditioning and the system of refrigeration. The main use of an evaporator is making a difference in refrigeration and its application in air conditioning in food items and beverage-related industries. In an Air conditioning system, the evaporator is highly used in helping the liquid evaporation process to convert the vapor to absorb excess heat emitted from the process, this research paper represents the study of the Fin Tube Evaporator.
Fin tube evaporator is the main topic presented in this project of mechanical engineering. This is the collection of experimental data from an ICE PRODUCING COMPANY. After the collection of the whole data and after the research and analysis of the Fin Tube Evaporator, a sample model has been prepared by the utilization of (Ji et al. 2020). After that, the analysis of CFD has been carried out using then the collection of the deviation from the analyzed and collected data on CFD analysis has been calculated.

1. Introduction

The machine named evaporator is actually a surface from where heat is transferred to the environment, inside the evaporator, liquid is present which is the highly volatile liquid refrigerant that is volatilized form it removes the excess heat from the refrigerated part or the product. The trivial name of an evaporator is called a freezer or chiller or cooler. That is highly connected to the low-pressure area in the system of refrigeration. This machine has been installed between the compressor and the device of expansion. The actual function of the evaporator is the absorption of heat from the substance in all the area, that is required to be cold by the use of refrigeration technology. The refrigerant that is in liquid form expense when the ball enters the evaporator in which place these quotations "boil off" while the absorbance of the latent heat can be cooled from the space or the area of refrigeration. At the time of the boiling of the refrigerator to the vapour state in the space of refrigeration. At the time of the boiling of the refrigerant liquid changes its vapour state inside the evaporator due to the lack of pressure, it absorbs a huge quantity of heat from the coil and the surface, in cooling down. The cooling down the refrigerant the time of contact with that.

2. Aims and Objectives of Study

Aims- In creating and learning environment that cherishes that's really compatible and enhances creativity with innovations

Objectives- In creating the teaching and learning environment to foster accountability and innovative the creativity.
Make the students contribute to the ethical, social, intellectual, and economic development of society according to impart the value based on updation on technical education.
Developing the interaction of the institute and industry according to the needs of industries makes the students very skilled professionals and very good entrepreneurs.

3. Literature review

At the time of boiling the refrigerant liquid changes its vapour state inside the evaporator due to the lack of pressure, it absorbs a huge quantity of heat from the coil and the surface, in cooling down. The cooling down of the refrigerant at the time of contact with that. Some of the conditions can be contacted while the further cooling so that ideal conditions are mentioned below

1) The highest probable area of surface, that may be kept and refrigerated totally (Du et al. 2020).
2) The continuous circulation of the air, around getting the highest fully refrigerated surface area.
3) The temperature difference must be maintained at a very low 8° C to 10°C between the air and refrigerant element.
4) Very high suction pressure is required to maintain a very efficient capacity in the unit of condensation.
5) Very lower quality water vapour can be removed by leaving very highly humid the preserve of food and the necessary appearance, in containing the moisture and weight (Qiu et al. 2020).

The capacity can be expressed by the rate, with which, the passed heat can be absorbed by the capacity of an evaporator of the process of evaporation from the walls, from the space of refrigeration, while the refrigerant is flowing inside the evaporator. It is expressed in tonnes of refrigeration (TOR).

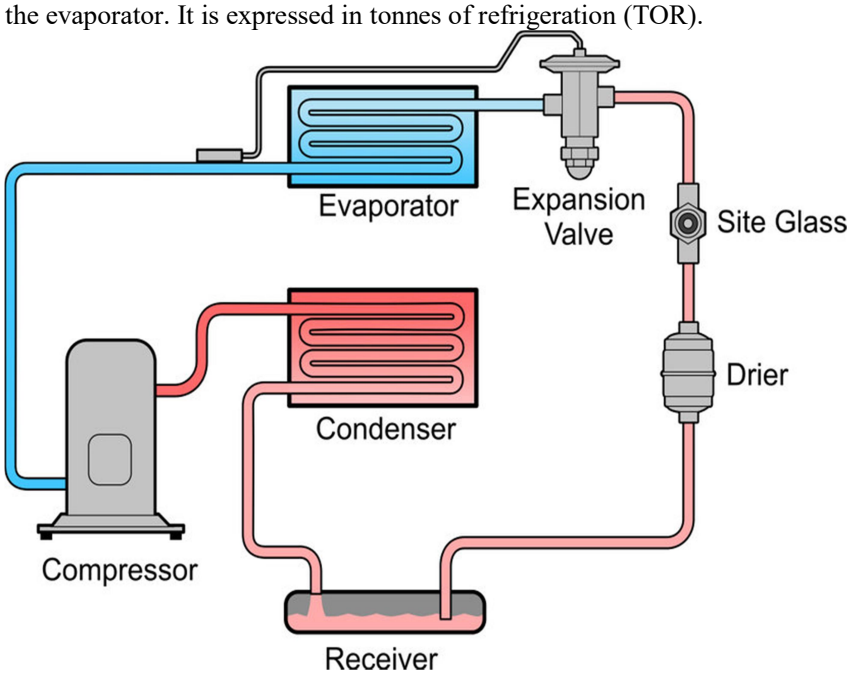

Figure 1: Evaporator Functional structure
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 45)

Heat absorption or heat transfer capacity of an evaporator is given by:
Where Q = Quantity of heat transferred in Kw.
A = Outside surface area of the evaporator in m .
U= Overall heat transfer coefficient in kW/m°C.
LMTD = Logarithmic Mean Temperature Difference between the temperature outside the evaporator and the temperature of refrigerant inside the evaporator in °C.
There are several types of evaporators that have helped in evaporation and will be helpful in instant cooling can be classified. therefore, this is mentioned in the passage below:

1) BARE TUBE EVAPORATOR:- This is highly beneficial for the refrigerator as this helps in the assistance to the various sizes, shapes, and various designs (Cao et al. 2022). Its applications are- a) This type of evaporator has generally been used in a highly frequent way as it has been used in very cool applications, and temperatures are controlled up to OCC level.
   b) In Domestic refrigerators this kind of evaporator is widely used.

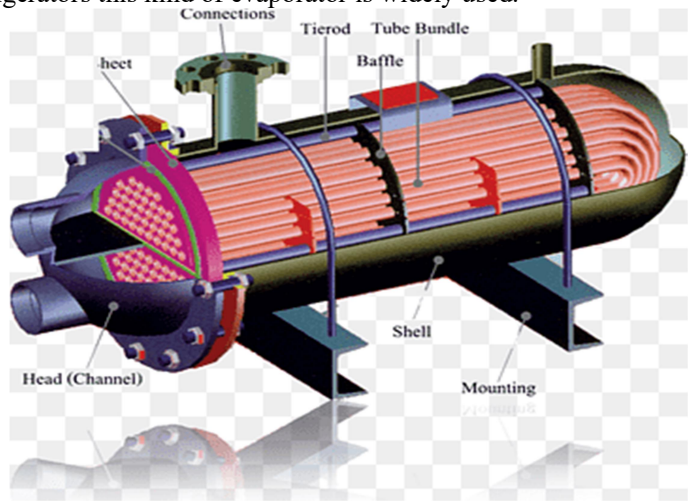

Figure 2: Bare Tube Evaporator
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 44)

2) PLATE SURFACE EVAPORATOR:- This type of plate surface is another kind of evaporator that can be described as welded edges together. The applications are mentioned below:
   a) Household Refrigerators,
   b) coolers in beverages,
   c) Freezers used as home appliances
   d) Cabinets of Ice Cream
3) SHELL AND TUBE TYPE EVAPORATORS:- These kinds of evaporators are generally used in the sector called chillers. These consist of various numbers of tubes that are inserted inside drums and boxes. This depends on the expansion of the refrigerant chillers that flows with the tube side and the liquid helps in chilling the outside area (Tan et al. 2020).
4) FINNED EVAPORTOR:- This is made of a base tube or coils, by which, metal places and pallets are fixed. These are made up of metal sheets with thermal conductance. The all the perimeters like shapes and sizes help in faster heat transfer.

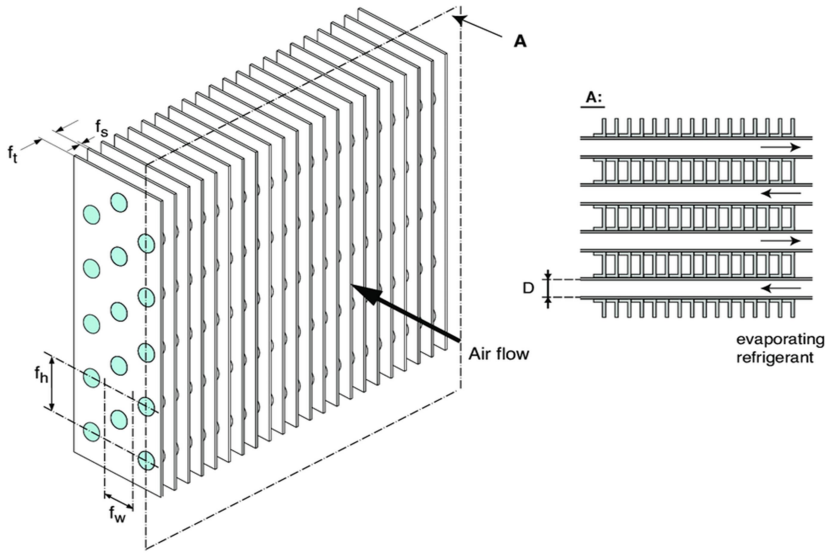

Figure 3: Geometrical setup for finned tube evaporator.
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 49)

Also, many software have been used in this project. The softwares are utilized are mentioned below:
A) SOLIDWORKS:- This is actually a type of solid modeler, that utilizes a special feature based on the previously developed by PTC in creating the models to assemble. This requires a 2D sketch, along with the available power users. This requires geometry like points, arcs, lines, and splines. Dimensions are required wording to the Solidworks, and attributes, related to the dimensions used tangency, parallelism, perpendicularity, concentricity, etc. While assembling, the sketch relations explain the tangency, parallelism, perpendicularity, concentricity, etc (Chien et al. 2020). This kind of Solidworks is beneficial for advanced features like modelled gear assembles to solve the accuracy in reproducing the rotational orientation necessary for a gear train.
Its utility-
At last, the created drawings can be formed in other parts of the circulation movement, in several industries like automobile, plant architecture, making packaged goods for design and construction, processing power, and providing other services. This is utilized in Airbus models for aerospace too.

ANSYS

The multinational company, ANSYS, Inc. is an American multinational company with having headquarters stayed in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. This markets and develops software for the company CAE multiphysics engineering for designing the products, it's testing, and the necessary operation and designed to offer the products and services for the well-being of the customers. This helps in performing the finite analysis of the elements by hand (Sun et al. 2022). The engineers performed the analysis for SWANSON Inc. (SASI) in the next year while working on the farmhouse in Pittsburgh.

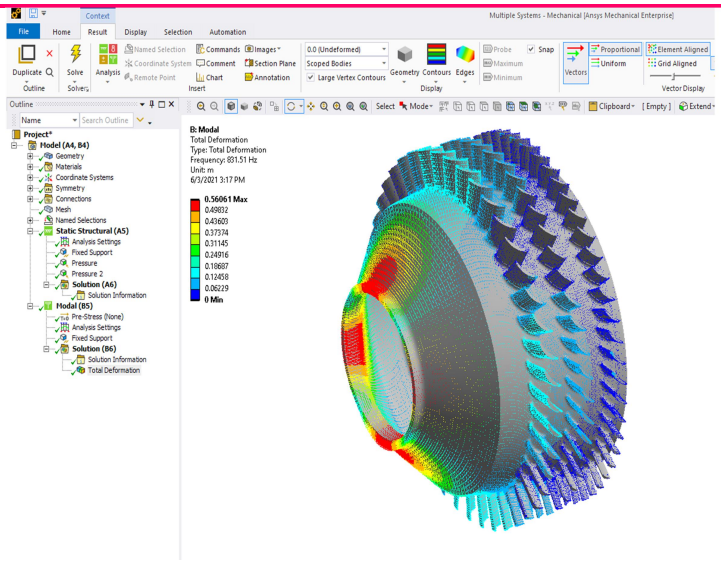

Figure 4: ANSYS 2021 R2 Accelerates Engineering Exploration
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 95)

The development and the initiative of Ansys software, with the punch-cards in stimulating the medals and the electronics structure, to be used in fluid flow technology and other attributes. The breakdown of the Ansys structures in smaller chunks to test individuality. A user must be tested while the strength and structures are performed. Most of the simulations can be performed by using the analysis of the cultural breakdown of the Workbench system of Ansys, software.

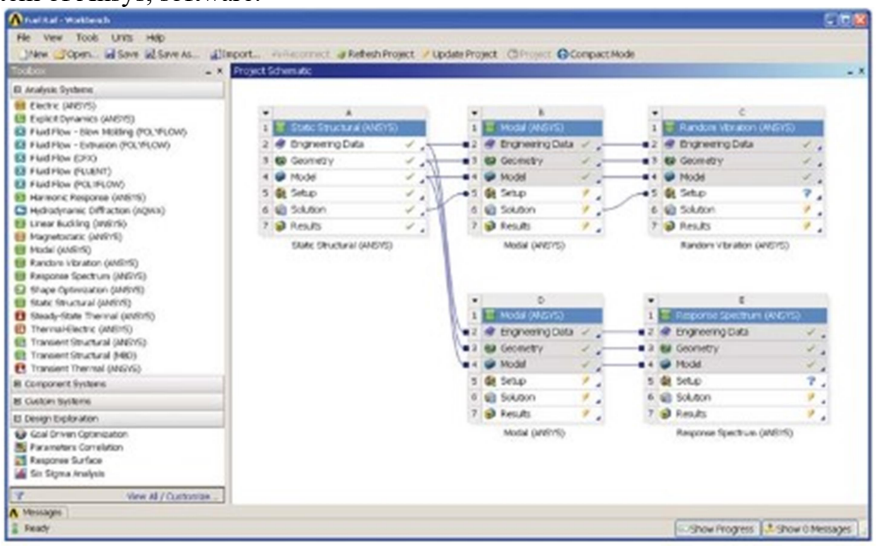

Figure 5: The ANSYS Workbench and the Future of Simulation
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 47)

While discussing the application of the various tools, this can be defined by some categories. Those are, Mechanical and Fluid,
The mechanical application of the tool is the simulation of the Actual Rubber Seal, The Simulation of testing the transient Dynamic model through a Cellphone drop experiment. Applied test have to be optimized by the steering mechanism. A hyperelastic O-ring seal has been fitted to bolt the connection. The Gear Train simulation is another mechanical application (Wang et al. 2020).

The Fluid application of the tool is done by the Prediction of the airflow system in a Gymnasium, the CFD Simulation of the house filled with smoke, the CFD Simulation of a specific Gear Pump, Can combustor simulation done by CFD, The mould Filling can be done by polymer, Bevel Gers can be lubricated by Splash Lubrication. Also, another simulation can be done by CFD Transient through thin wall film.

4. Methodology

In this paragraph, the methodology of making the evaporators has been described with the analysis and the method has been applied with the simplified diagram of the Rising Fin Tube evaporator mentioned below.
A single-effect evaporator is operated through the principal based on the "Thermo-Siphon Principal" this enters the feed of the bottom of the tubes to feed the tubes while heating and formation of steam have been started (Yang and Hrnjak 2020). The flow of the vapor is ascended along with the force, and produces the steam to be boiled, forming a liquid that flows upwards parallel. Besides, vapour production enhances and then a thin film will be formed on the tube walls. Therefore, the upward rising of the liquid happens.

A: Product
B: Vapour
C: Concentrate
D: Heating Steam
E: Condensate

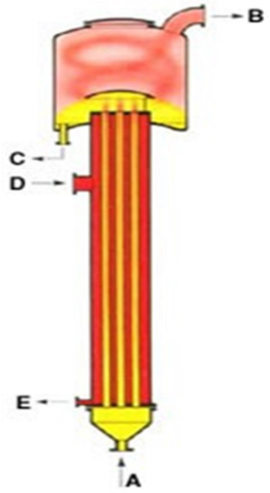

Figure 6: Rising Film Evaporator
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 65)

The movement of the upward side in the co-current movement has a better impact in creating a very high amount of turbulence in existing liquid. This is highly beneficial in the evaporation of the very viscous products that possess a tendency in making cool of the surface while heating (Seiler et al. 2020). Generally, there surely have a higher temperature gap between the boiling and heated edges of this category of the evaporator.

5. Data Analytics and Findings

Data Analysis generally guides the performance and evaluates the evaporator design by using the computer simulation and strategies in modelling. The main purpose of the study is to forecast the evaporator behaviour under several stages of operation. The main goal of this study is actually to be done and accomplished by the determination of the possible issues within the design. The analysis that was conducted in this study (Subramanian et al. 2020).

CFD Analysis of Evaporator:

The Key components of CFD analysis are-

- The SOLIDWORKS file needs to be converted with the help of the evaporator into an IGS file.
- The geometry has to be imported.
- Mesh generation on the evaporator.
- The selection of Naming along with the inlet, outlet, and fluid pipe.
- Different parameters have to be set up in data analysis
- Energy equation to be analyzed (Shen et al. 2020).
- Material addition is necessary and mainly required with this analysis.
- A Refrigerant has to be added that will be passed through the evaporator.
- 50 iterations is required with the analysis. The process result needs to be calculated.
- A solution is required to check.

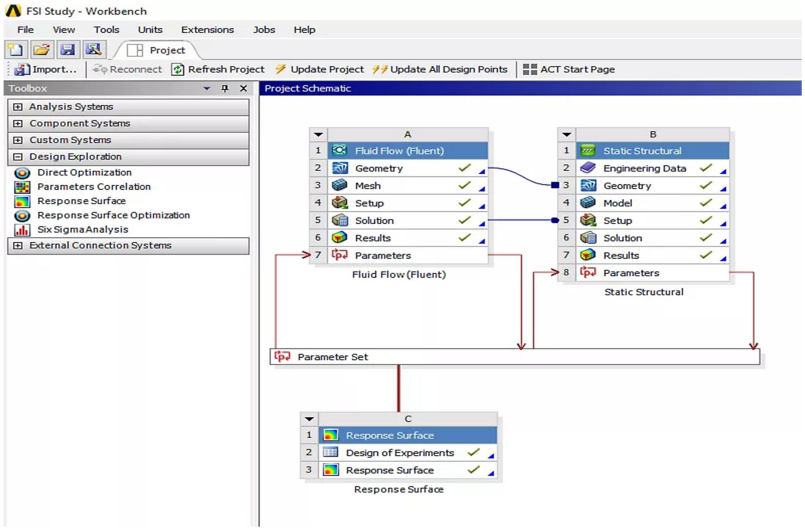

Figure 7: Homepage of ANSYS
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 34)

- Open the home page of ANSYS.
- Select Fluid Fluent analysis.
- Drag fluid fluent to the right side of the window.
- Import SOLIDWORKS "igs" file into ANSYS workbench.

- **Data of Engineering**

This indicates data that engineers have gathered, studied, and utilized, to create, develop, trial, and optimize outcomes, techniques, and procedures (Liu et al.2020). It may take various forms, involving technical drawings, metrics of performance, specifications, and numerical data. Some typical types of engineering data are:

1. Data of Performance: This involves data based on performance on methods, procedures, and products. Like efficiency, precision, and acceleration (Moon et al. 2022). To optimize configurations, detect rooms for improvement, and confirm that goods meet the demands of performance.

2. Data of Test: This involves the collection of data during the validation and testing procedure. Like, tests of fatigue, stress, and implementation.
3. Data of Design: This incorporates pictures, schematics, and models which explain the dimensions, geometry, and product components and techniques.
4. Data of Manufacture: This is manufacturing connected data, like, tolerances, material properties, and rates of production.
5. Data of Simulation: This involves data developed when computer simulation of procedures and products is ongoing, like, FEA and CFD. This data is utilized to indicate behaviours of the product and optimize the design for implementation, and security under various circumstances.

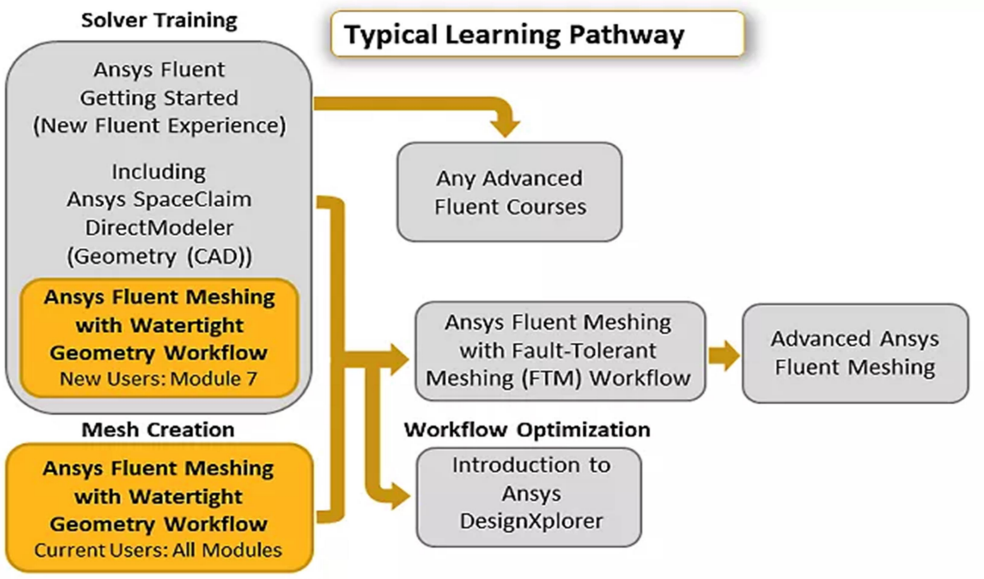

Figure 8: ANSYS Fluent Meshing with Watertight Geometry Workflow
(Cao et al. 2022, p- 94)

- By using the Watertight Geometry Meshing Workflow in the Ansys Fluent in creating high-quality CFD Simulation meshes while importing CAD geometry through a succession of the intuitive guidance workflow tasks.
- Addition or Removal of the tasks from the structure of baseline workflow, the necessary template in customization of the templates to be saved and used again to add some of the geometrics recently.
- CAD importing and the meshing up of geometry in generating the high-quality surface area while a machine with the option in addition to the local operations in having precise control of the mesh distribution.

6. Conclusion and future scope

In conclusion, after analysis of the result, the understood analysis of this study, it can be said that the Fin Tube evaporator through CFD to evolutes and casing design are appropriate for the planned application. The analysis of static structure shows that the casing and the evaporator can resistance to time-generated forces and stress operation (Zhang et al. 2021). On the other hand, the modal analysis results show that the volute and impeller have natural frequencies beyond the operating pace range. Additionally, the CFD analysis shows that the Fin Tube evaporator through CFD is capable of generating the expected results of pressure and airflow. Also, flow among the machines of the evaporation method and the casing is fairly consistent.

The future scope of the Fin Tube evaporator through CFD is brighter than these days. There have been several scopes of implementation of the Evaporator in the refrigeration segment and Air conditioning. An in-depth analysis of this project must be followed in order to ensure the scope of the utility of this model, in reduction of the electricity and future savings.

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