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# Turbulent Flow Heat Transfer through a Circular Tube with Novel Hybrid Grooved Tape Inserts: Thermohydraulic Analysis and Prediction by Applying Machine Learning Model

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**Abstract:** The present experimental work is performed to investigate the convection heat transfer (HT), pressure drop (PD), irreversibility, exergy efficiency and thermal performance for turbulent flow inside a uniformly heated circular channel fitted with novel geometry of hybrid tape. Air is taken as the working fluid and the Reynolds number is varied from 10,000 to 80,000. Hybrid tape is made up of a combination of grooved spring tape and wavy tape. The results obtained with the novel hybrid tape show significantly better performance over individual tapes. A correlation has been developed for predicting the friction factor ( $f$ ) and Nusselt number ( $Nu$ ) with novel hybrid tape. The results of this investigation can be used in designing heat exchangers. This paper also presented a statistical analysis of the heat transfer and fluid flow by developing an artificial neural network (ANN)-based machine learning (ML) model. The model is trained based on the features of experimental data, which provide an estimation of experimental output based on user-defined input parameters. The model is evaluated to have an accuracy of 98.00% on unknown test data. These models will help the researchers working in heat transfer enhancement-based experiments to understand and predict the output. As a result, the time and cost of the experiments will reduce.

**Keywords:** heat transfer enhancement; tape inserts; heat exchanger; machine learning; prediction

## 1. Introduction

Energy is necessary for the continuity of the world and so is its conservation. Every day a lot of energy gets wasted in the form of unavailable energy. Due to low efficiency of thermal equipment, energy is poured down the drain. There are several ways to improve the performance of thermal devices, namely Active methods, Passive methods and Combined methods of heat transfer enhancement. Active methods of heat transfer enhancement utilize the power from external sources to enhance the thermal transfer and the equipment required to do so is very costly [1–4]. Hence, researchers switched to passive technique of thermal enhancement in which swirl devices [5–9], roughness [10–15], nanoparticles [16–21], obstructions of various geometries, channel modification [22–28], surface enhancement [29–31], etc. are employed to promote the disturbance in the flow field which results in a higher heat transfer rate. Swirl generators are the devices used

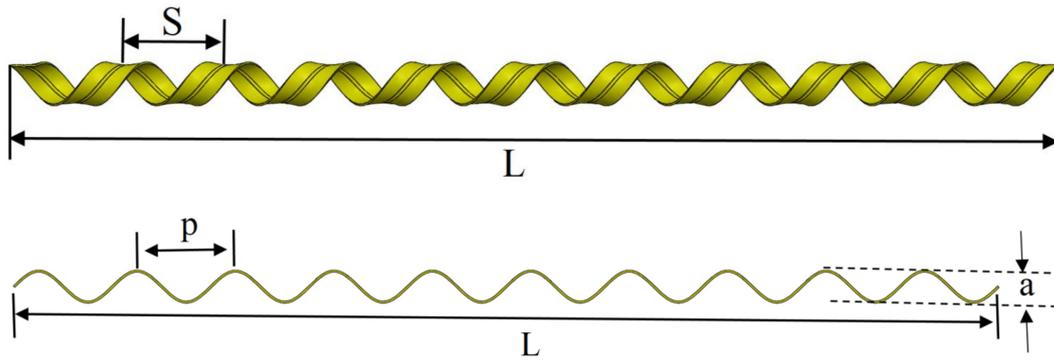
for intensifying the disturbance in the flow field, which results in an enhanced thermal exchange rate. Swirl generators have been thoroughly investigated by many researchers in the past decades to improve the thermal performance of equipment. The device helps in energy conservation by improving the thermal exchange rate as well as by utilizing available energy in a better way. Twisted and Spring Tapes [24,32–36], Wire coils [26,37–40], longitudinal vortex generators [41–44], circular and conical ring inserts [45–50], obstruction of different geometries [51–54], etc. are some examples of swirl generators. Among all of the swirl generators, twisted tape inserts are the most studied and/or found applications in various thermal equipment due to their simple geometries, high thermal enhancement rate, and easy fabrication.

Bhattacharyya [33] performed an experimental assessment to investigate the impact of the length of swirl generators (Twisted tapes and Spring tapes) on the thermal performance and found that full-length twisted tapes are performed best in terms of heat transfer coefficient when compared with short length twisted tapes and spring tapes. Hosseinnazhad et al. [55] reported on the impact of using double twisted tapes of different twist ratio (2.5–4) in both co-swirl and counter swirl position inside a tubular heat exchanger in the turbulent flow regime ( $Re = 10,000–30,000$ ) with Aluminum Oxide/water as working fluid (1–4% volume fraction) and found an enhancement in the average Nusselt number with the increase in volume fraction and decrease in twist ratio for the counter swirl. The study also found that an enhancement in the performance evaluation for both the configurations with counter-swirl reported higher increment. Farshad and Sheikholeslami [56] presented a numerical investigation for heat transfer enhancement using tape inserts and nanofluid in a solar collector plate and reported enhanced heat transfer and a decline in exergy drop with the usage of multi-channel twisted tapes. Hosseinnazhad et al. [57] computationally investigated the influence of two tape inserts on the turbulent heat transfer and revealed an increase in average Nusselt number with the reduction in torsion ratio at constant Reynolds number. Keklikcioglu et al. [58] reported on the impact of different arrangement of short length conically designed wire coil swirl generators on the thermal and flow characteristics. The investigation is done for the turbulent flow with  $Re$  varied from 4627 to 25,099. The results obtained from the experimental investigation show that converging wire coil arrangement with 60–40 water and EG ratio shows the highest entropy amongst the other arrangement while lowest entropy was reported for diverging wire coil arrangement with pure water. Ahmadi et al. [59] conducted a computational assessment to investigate the impact of using elliptical cut twisted tapes with CuO/water nanofluid (volume fraction 1–4%) as the working fluid on the thermal and flow performance inside a circular pipe. For only nanofluid, maximum Nusselt number and performance factor will be obtained for 4% volume concentration while for the case of a nanofluid along with elliptical cut tapes are 21% higher. In another computational investigation, Zaboli et al. [22] conducted a numerical analysis for thermo-hydraulics of fluid flow inside a corrugated tube fitted with twisted tapes and reported enhancement in thermal transport as well as pressure when results were compared with the results of corrugated tube alone. Obaidi and Sharif [60] reported on the impact of pitch ratio of twisted tapes on the thermal and flow characteristics inside a cylindrical tube and reported that twisted tapes promote thermal transport as well as pressure drop and thermal performance factor was enhanced by 46%. Banihashemi et al. [61] conducted an experimental assessment for the thermal and flow characteristics inside a circular tube fitted with rotating and fixed angular-cut circular disc insert for the turbulent flow with  $Re$  varied from 10,000 to 25,000. The rotation of the insert is kept between 50 and 200 rpm. It is reported that the rotating disc shows higher heat transfer with a low-pressure drop when compared with the fixed disc insert. Samruaisin et al. [62,63] performed experimentation to investigate the influence of twisted tapes on the thermal and flow performance and revealed that inserts promote the thermal and flow properties inside the fluid domain which results in the augmentation of heat transfer rate. Pourfattah et al. [64] conducted a numerical investigation for the thermal and flow characteristics inside a rectangular channel employed with vertical twisted tape and

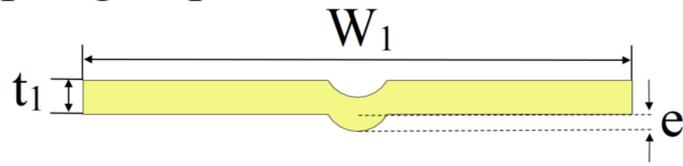
optimize the heat transfer and pressure drop using a genetic algorithm (GA). The results predicted by GA are in good agreement with the data obtained from the computational analysis. Outokesh et al. [65] conducted simulations to analyze the impact of curved profile twisted tape on the thermal and flow performance inside a cylindrical channel. The study was conducted in the turbulent flow regime with Re varied from 2500 to 20,000. The results obtained from the investigation show a higher heat transfer rate, pressure drop, and appreciable enhancement in the thermal performance factor. A similar to the above study was conducted by Noorbakhsh et al. [66] and reported that an increase in the no. of fins leads to higher Nusselt number, pressure drop, and thermal performance factor.

Nowadays, machine learning act as a very useful tool in predicting the results with greater accuracy. It also helps in the optimization of the results for maximum performance, developing mathematical models to forecast the data, etc. The researchers used various kinds of algorithms to develop the model, which learns from the experience and predicts the results with more and more accuracy each time. Maddah et al. [67] utilized an artificial neural network (ANN) to predict the efficiency of CuO-H<sub>2</sub>O nanofluid in a heat pipe and the accuracy of the predicted result from the model prediction is 0.9938. Sadeghzadeh et al. [68] also employed a self-organizing map and Back Propagation-Levenberq-Marquardt algorithm for predicting the thermo-physical properties of TiO<sub>2</sub>-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/water nanofluid. Ahmadi et al. [69] employed a genetic algorithm for predicting the pressure drop for CuO-water nanofluid flow. Other authors who utilize machine learning to predict the properties and performance of nanofluids include Baghban et al. [70,71], Maddah et al. [72], Giwa et al. [73], and Ahmadi et al. [74]. Artificial intelligence found application in predicting the performance of solar collectors [75]. However, from the above discussion it is clear that many published works are available in the open literature to support the machine learning in predicting the properties of nanofluids, but no report in the open literature as per the knowledge of authors is reported on predicting the heat transfer and pressure drop.

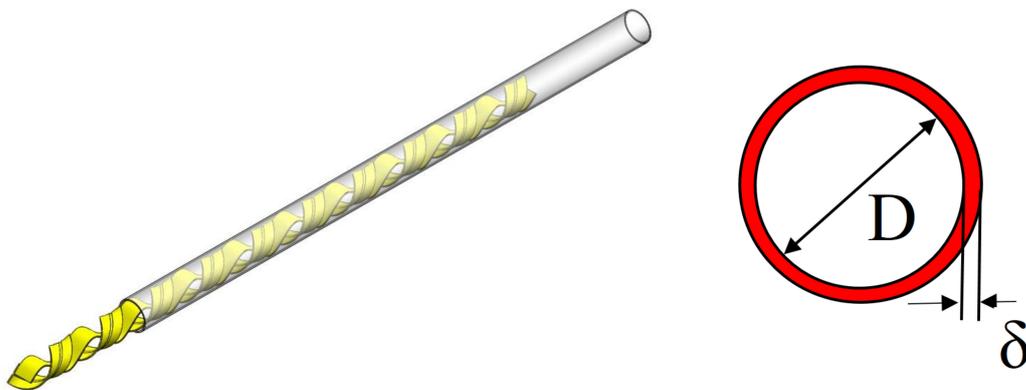
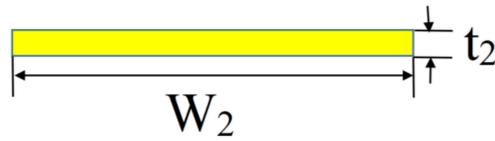
After an extensive literature review of various research articles, it is found that a lot of research is going on in the field of heat transfer augmentation by employing different geometries of different tapes, specifically twisted tape. This is due to the low cost, easy fabrication, and ease of usage of such swirl devices. The augmentation in thermal transport is appreciable when twisted tapes are employed when compared with other tapes of augmentation, but simultaneously the pressure drop is also high. Researchers used multiple twisted tapes, complex geometries, etc. to further enhance the heat transfer rate. In the present paper, a hybrid turbulator consisting of wavy tape with grooved spring tape is employed. Figure 1 shows the geometry of the hybrid tape. The design of the turbulator is kept simple for easy fabrication of the device and also minimum pressure penalty. The correlations for predicting  $f$  and  $Nu$  for the novel hybrid tape are developed and presented. Irreversibility, exergy efficiency and thermohydraulic performance are evaluated. According to author's knowledge, no literature is available on the application of machine learning (ML) to support the prediction of heat transfer (HT) and pressure drop (PD) in a circular channel tube with hybrid grooved tape inserts. However, machine learning is used in predicting the thermo-physical properties of working agents used in the investigations. Hence, the other aim of this work is to investigate the HT and PD in a circular channel fitted with hybrid grooved tape inserts by employing the ML prediction. Additionally, these models will help the future investigators working in the field of HT enhancement-based experiment to understand and predict the output.



Spring Tape Cross Sectional Area:



Wavy Tape Cross Sectional Area:



(a)

Figure 1. Cont.

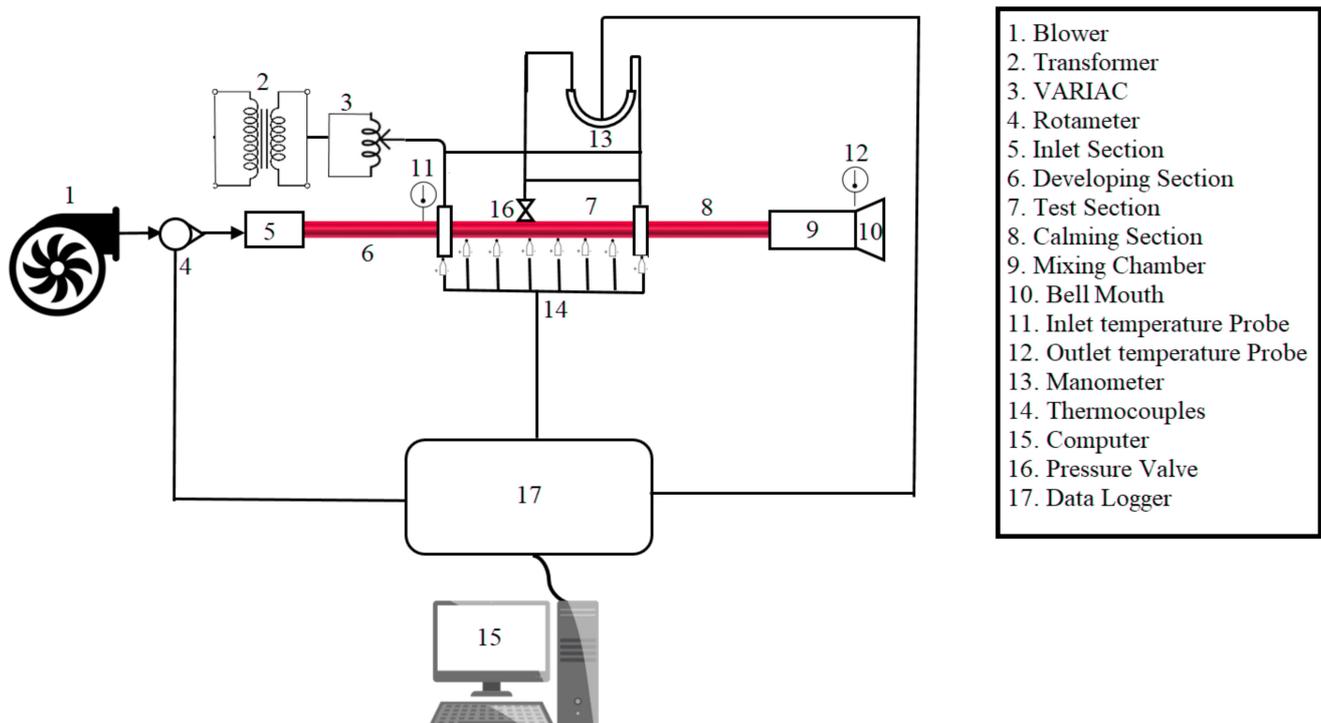


(b)

**Figure 1.** Grooved spring tape and wavy tape: (a) schematic diagram, and (b) hybrid tape photograph.

## 2. Experimental Test Rig and Procedure

Figure 2 shows the schematic representation of the experimental test rig employed for experimental assessment. All the important parts have been leveled in the figure for ease of understanding. Air is taken as the working fluid with  $Re$  varied from 10,000 to 80,000.



**Figure 2.** Schematic diagram of the experimental test rig.

The atmospheric air is sucked from the environment with the help of a blower of 7 kW capacity and the temperature of the air is assumed to be 25 °C. Air then travels through the calming section which contains a closely packed bundle of straws to soothe the air flow and which allows it to enter with uniform distribution throughout the test section. The test section is uniformly heated to maintain a constant heat flux boundary

condition of  $2 \text{ kW}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ . A rotameter having a range of 120 to 540 l/h is employed between the calming section and test section to measure the mass flow rate of the working fluid. The design concept of the calming section is acquired from Ghajar and Tam [76] and Tam and Ghajar [77]. A calibrated U-tube manometer having a measuring range between 0 and 150 mm of Hg is used to measure the pressure difference in the test section [78–83]. The two ends of the manometer are attached to the test section at a distance of 2100 mm with the help of smooth holes having a diameter 0.10 times the diameter of the test section tube drilled in the channel to ensure the smooth and continuous flow of working fluid and accuracy in the measurement without any losses. The test section is made of a long circular metallic tube having a diameter of 20 mm and a length of 2 m. The hybrid tapes are made up of brass and are 2 m long. The outer surface of the test section is properly insulated to ensure no heat loss to the environment. A total of 36 thermocouples are attached to the surface of the test section at nine equidistant stations to measure the surface temperature of the test section. Four thermocouples at  $90^\circ$  to each other are soldered at each station by drilling a hole on the surface of the test section.

Experiments are conducted in the plain channel for validation of the results obtained with the inserts. The hybrid tapes used for investigations are made of brass. The dimensions of hybrid inserts are 2000 mm long, 1.5 mm thick and width 12 mm.

The system takes approximately 2 h to reach the steady-state condition. The steady-state is assumed when no fluctuations in the reading were noticeably negligible. The bypass valves are used to regulate the fluctuation of flow. The test-section is given a constant heat flux of  $2000 \text{ W}/\text{m}^2$ . Once the steady-state is achieved, 400 data are saved in the data acquiring/logger arrangement. A total of 97 experiments are run for plain channel while 195 experimental runs are done with hybrid tape insert. The other details regarding the experimental setup and procedure can be found in the author's previous work [84].

### 3. Data Reduction

Experimental investigations have been done for various configurations of hybrid tapes (Figure 1) as given below:

Wave ratios ( $z = p/D$ ) = 1.5, 2.25, and 3.0.

Spring ratios ( $k = s/D$ ) = 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0.

Grooved depth ratio: ( $c = e/W$ ) = 0.16, and 0.25.

Channel Diameter ( $D$ ) = 20.00 mm

Length of Channel ( $L$ ) = 2000.00 mm

Tape diameter ( $W$ ) = 12.00 mm

Reynolds number: ( $Re$ ) = 10,000 to 80,000.

Heat transferred to air is measured by the first law, as expressed below, which states that  $Q_{\text{air}}$  (the net heat transferred to air) is proportional to the mass flow rate and the specific heat of the working fluid as well as the net temperature difference between outlet and inlet.

$$Q_{\text{air}} = m c_p (T_o - T_i) \quad (1)$$

To measure the heat leakage from the insulated walls, the balance between the thermal energy absorbed by air and energy supplied by the coils was considered. The energy balance was used to juxtapose the calculated HT rate with electrical power assigned from the heater,  $Q_e = IV$ , and the difference was defined as energy balance error (EBE), formulated as [24]:

$$EBE = \left[ \frac{Q_e - Q_{\text{air}}}{Q_e} \right] \times 100 \quad (2)$$

The calculation resulted in an average energy balance error amounting to less than 3.3%. The wall heat flux is determined from:

$$q_{\text{wall}} = \frac{Q_{\text{air}}}{A} \quad (3)$$

The average of inlet and outlet fluid temperature gives the bulk fluid temperature ( $T_{bulk}$ )

$$T_{bulk} = \frac{T_o + T_i}{2} \quad (4)$$

To calculate the mean inner wall temperature,  $T_{wall}$ , a go-around approach is used, where the outer tube wall temperature,  $T_{ow}$ , is determined as a mean of measurements obtained from the thermocouples.

The average thermal resistance of the wall ( $R_{wall}$ ) is calculated:

$$T_{wall} = T_{ow} - QR_{wall} \quad (5)$$

The thermal resistance of duct wall ( $R_{wall}$ ) is measured using the relation given below, where  $D_o$ ,  $D$  represent the outer and inner diameter, respectively,  $L$  the length and  $k$  the thermal conductivity of the material:

$$R_{wall} = \frac{\ln(D_o/D)}{2\pi k_{BRASS}L} \quad (6)$$

The convective HT coefficient ( $h_{conv}$ ), according to Thianpong et al. [7], is:

$$h_{conv} = \frac{q_{wall}}{T_{wall} - T_{bulk}} \quad (7)$$

The Nusselt number ( $Nu$ ), with the  $k$  here denoting the thermal conductivity of air.

$$Nu = \frac{h_{conv}D}{k} \quad (8)$$

$f$ , the Darcy friction coefficient is further evaluated using the formulation:

$$f = \frac{\Delta p}{\frac{L}{D} \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2} \quad (9)$$

For calculating the  $Re_{Dh}$  and average Colburn  $j$ -factor, the authors referred to Meyer and Everts [85]:

$$Re_{Dh} = \frac{4 \times m}{\pi \times D \times \mu} \quad (10)$$

$$j = \frac{Nu}{Re_{Dh} \times Pr^{\frac{1}{3}}} \quad (11)$$

where the symbols  $\rho$ ,  $D$ ,  $L$  represent density, inner diameter, and length.  $V$  denotes the bulk fluid velocity, calculated from an insert free cross-section and  $\Delta p$  denotes the static pressure drop.

Reynolds number ( $Re$ ) calculations were based on insert free areas and average fluid velocities, with air properties calculated as a function of bulk fluid temperature ( $T_{bulk}$ ).

The thermo-hydraulic performance factor ( $\eta$ ) was thus calculated as per Thianpong et al. [7], which gave an understanding of combined performance increments:

$$\eta = \frac{Nu/Nu_0}{(f/f_0)^{0.33}} \quad (12)$$

where the subscript 0 is used to denote the plain duct.

A dimensionless entropy generation number for the total amount of HT is defined as [86]:

$$N_s = \frac{S_{gen}}{Q_u/T_w} \quad (13)$$

A non-dimensional irreversibility factor ( $\phi$ ), is defined as [79].

$$\phi = \frac{N_s}{N_{s,smooth}} \quad (14)$$

For evaluating the process of HT in tube with vortex generator, Zheng et al. [87] presented the exergy efficiency ( $\epsilon$ ) equation as:

$$\epsilon = \frac{Ex_{out} - Ex_{in}}{Ex_w} \quad (15)$$

## 4. Result and Discussion

### 4.1. Validation of Study

Before starting the experiments, all the main equipment of the experimental test rig is tested for uncertainty by following Meyer et al. [88]. This will ensure the accuracy of the obtained results. Maximum error in  $Re$ ,  $f$  and  $Nu$  were approximated as  $\pm 4.25\%$ ,  $\pm 5.33\%$  and  $\pm 6.02\%$ , respectively.

The results obtained for the smooth tube for Nusselt number and friction factor are validated with the well-established results of Dittus-Boelter correlation [89] and Meyer et al. [88] correlation for Nusselt number and Blasius Correlation [89] for friction factor.

Dittus-Boelter correlation [89] expressed Nusselt number as

$$Nu = 0.023 Re_{Dh}^{0.8} Pr^{0.4} \quad (16)$$

Meyer et al. [88] Correlated the Nusselt number as

$$Nu = 0.013 Re_{Dh}^{0.867} Pr^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad (17)$$

The correlation for friction factor given by Blasius [89] is given by

$$f = \frac{0.3164}{Re_{Dh}^{\frac{1}{4}}} \quad (18)$$

Figures 3 and 4 show the validation analysis of the present study with previously established and acclaimed correlations for the Nusselt number and friction factor. The results obtained for the smooth tube for Nusselt number and friction factor are in good accordance with previous studies. The Nusselt number deviates only 5% with Dittus-Boelter correlation and 4% with Meyer and Everts correlation while friction factor differs only 6% with data obtained using Blasius Correlation.

### 4.2. Influence of Hybrid Tapes on the Heat Transfer

The main aim of this experimental assessment is to evaluate the influence of hybrid tape on heat transfer augmentation and pressure drop. Figure 5a shows the plot for change in Nusselt number with Reynolds number when wavy tape and spring tape are acting alone. The result for both the cases is compared with the Nusselt number results obtained for the smooth tube. It is clear from the plot that an increase in Reynolds number results in a higher Nusselt number value. Further enhancement in the average Nusselt number is visible when inserts are employed for the investigation. For  $z = 1.5$ , the Nusselt number is highest for all values of  $Re$ , while increasing the value of  $z$  from 1.5 to 3.0 results in the decrease in the Nusselt number value. Similarly, for  $k = 1.0$ , the Nusselt number shows the maximum surge and for  $k = 3.0$  shows the least value of the Nusselt number for all  $Re$ . Overall, the highest enhancement in  $Nu$  is noted for  $z = 1.5$  followed by  $k = 1.0$  for all values of  $Re$ .

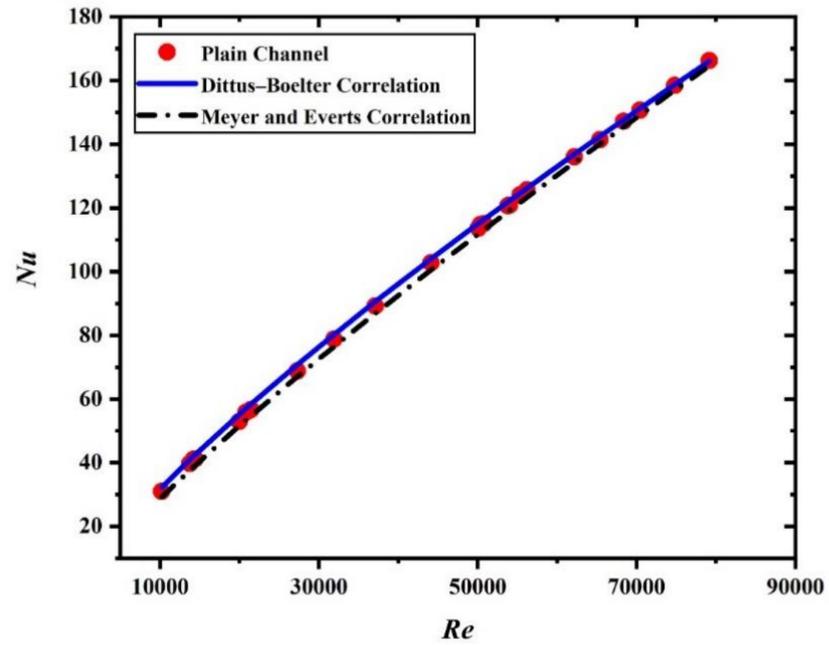


Figure 3. Comparison of the present experimental  $Nu$  data with the correlation.

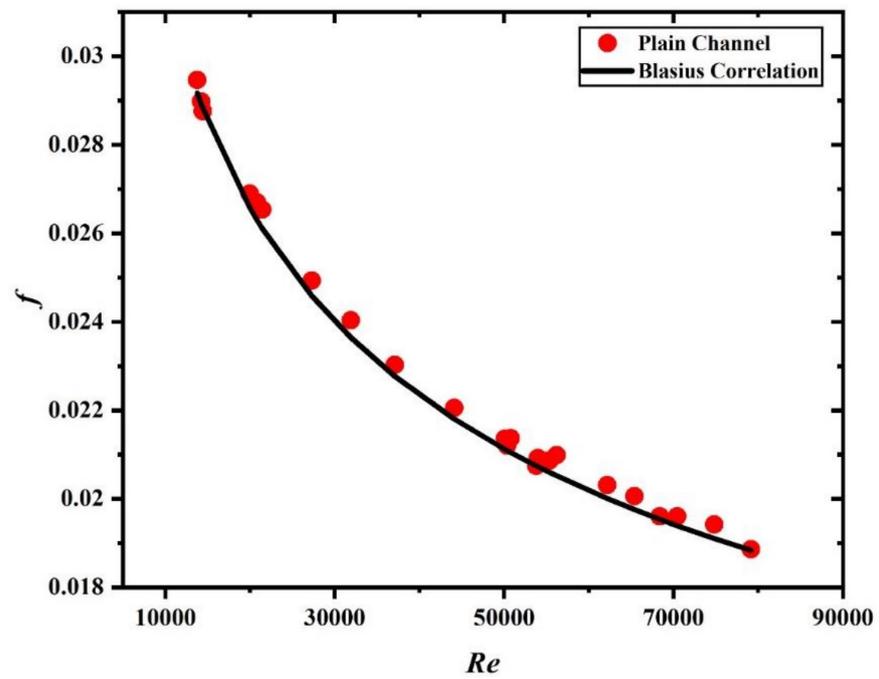
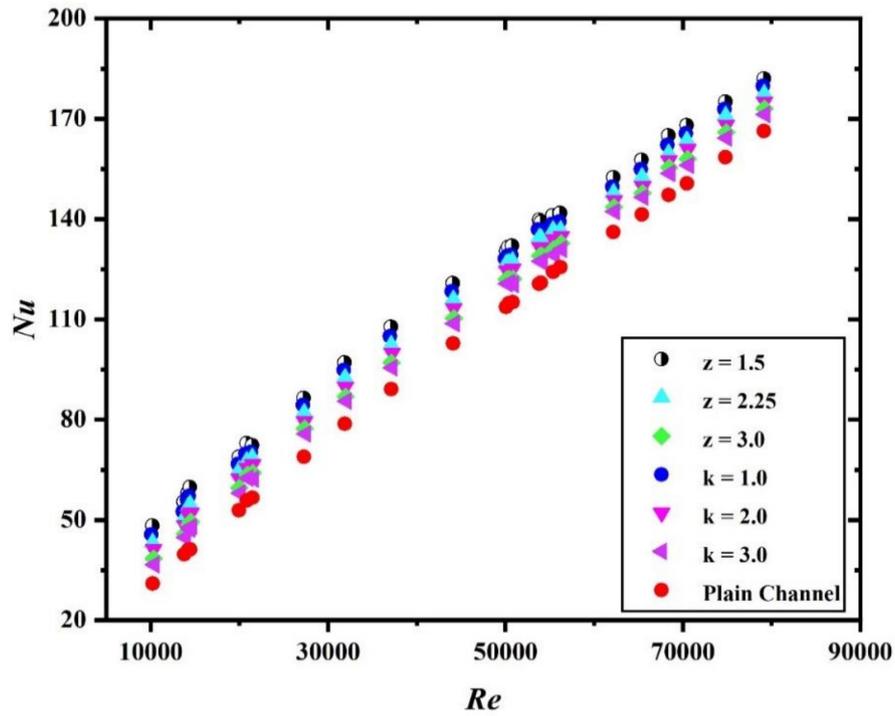
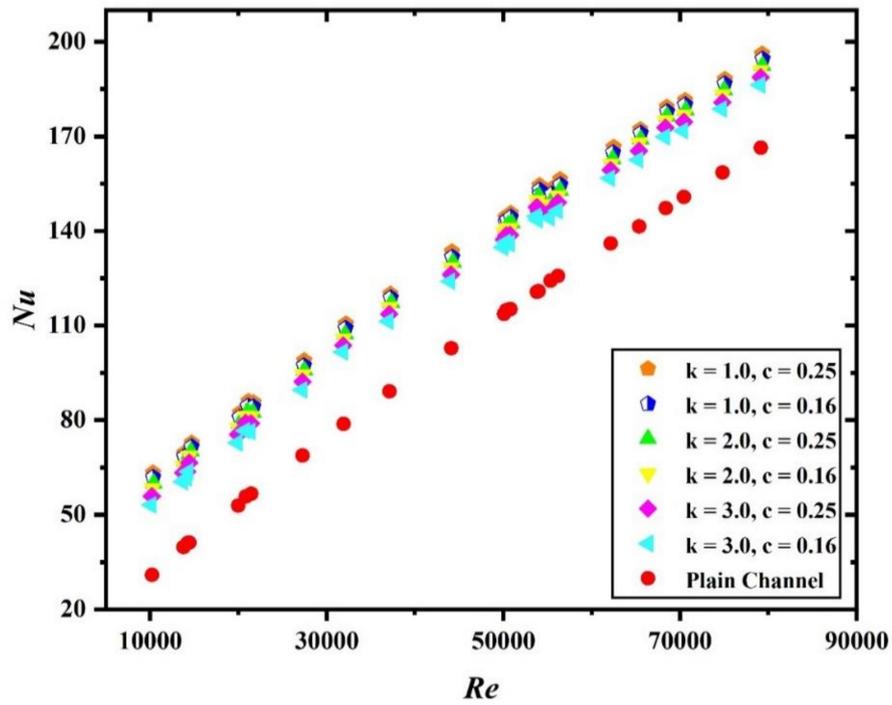


Figure 4. Comparison of the present experimental friction factor data with the correlation.

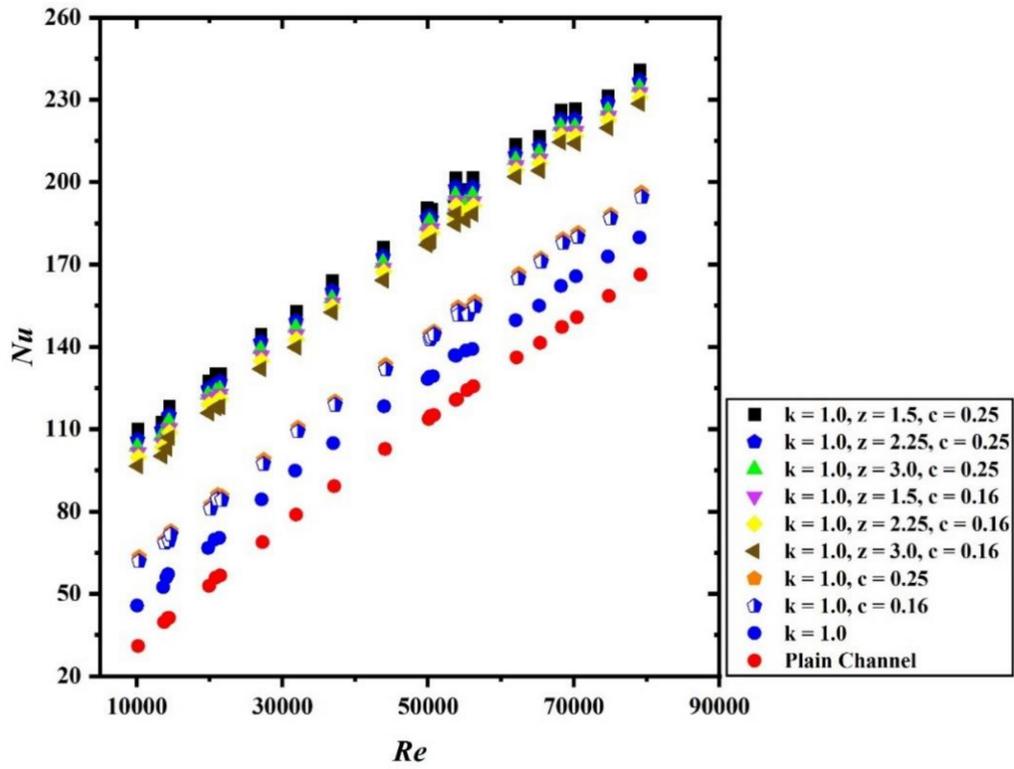


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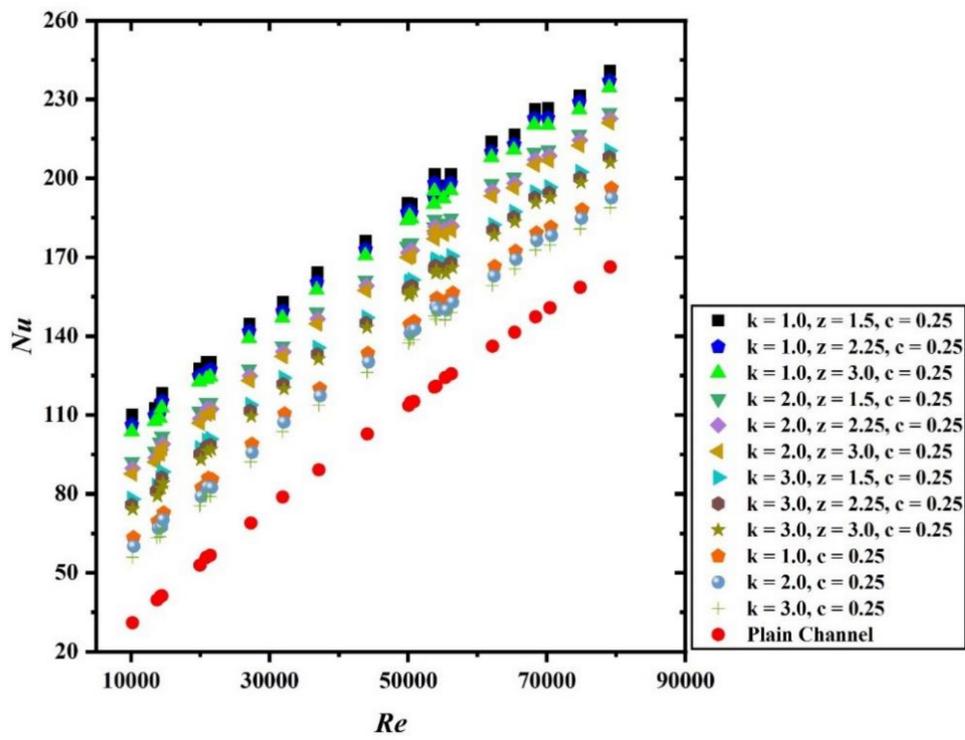


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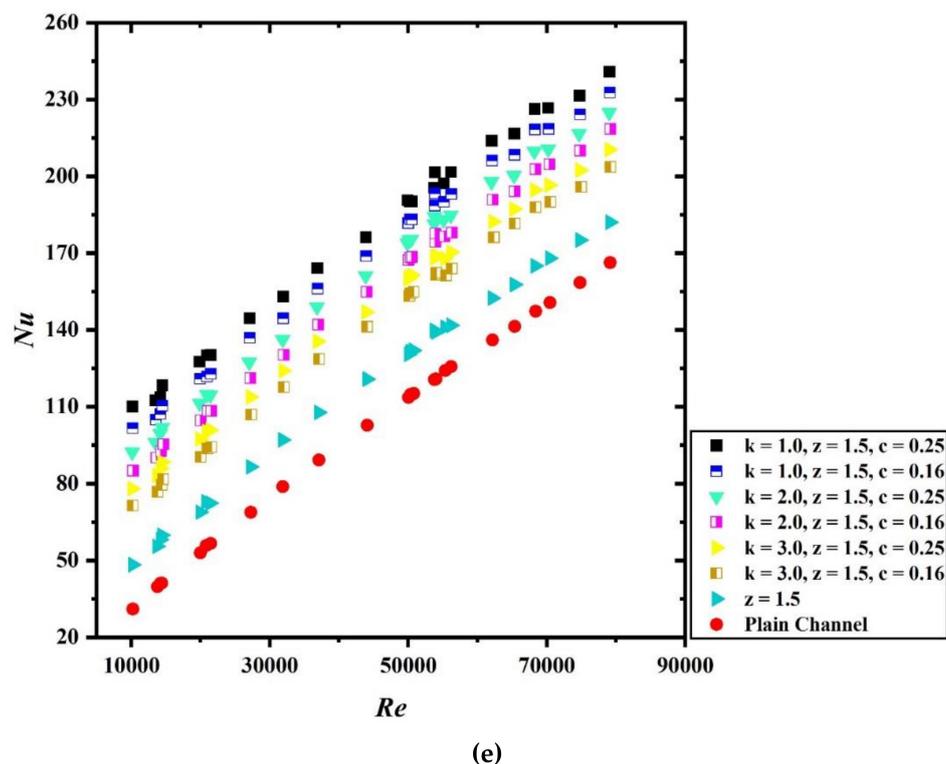


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(d)

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**Figure 5.** Nusselt number as a function of Reynolds number: (a) Wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone, (b) grooved spring tapes acting alone, (c) hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and grooved depth ratio while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (d) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the grooved depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (e) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and grooved depth ratio while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

Figure 5b shows the plot for grooved spring tape acting alone and compared the different combinations of  $k$  and  $c$  with the plain tube. A significant augmentation in the average value of the average Nusselt number is noted. For  $k = 1.0$  and  $c = 0.25$ , the Nusselt number value is highest for all  $Re$  followed, while the least enhancement is reported for the case of  $k = 3.0$  and  $c = 0.16$ . Hence, it can be concluded that a groove on the surface of tape helps in further enhancement of the Nusselt number value while increasing the value of spring ratio, resulting in the decrease in Nusselt number. Moreover, increasing the groove depth also results in a higher Nusselt value. The grooved surface of the insert introduced disturbance in the flow field. The depth of groove brings in irregular disturbance in the flow field. The grooved surface also disrupts the boundary layer which results in higher heat transfer rate.

Figure 5c shows the comparison of grooved hybrid tape with grooved spring tape, spring tape without groove, and the plain tube for the variation of  $Nu$  with  $Re$ . The parameters considered for the comparison are constant spring ratio ( $k = 1.0$ ), wave ratio ( $z = 1.5, 2.25$  and  $3.0$ ), and grooved depth ratio ( $c = 0.16$  and  $0.25$ ). The various combinations of the above-mentioned parameters are investigated for the Nusselt number variation. The plot shows that the Nusselt number is significantly augmented for all the cases when compared with grooved spring tape alone and plain conduit. The highest enhancement is noted for the case  $k = 1.0, z = 1.5$  and  $c = 0.25$  while the least augmentation is noted for  $k = 1.0, z = 3.0$  and  $c = 0.16$  for the hybrid tape. The further enhancement in heat transfer is due to the complexity in the flow field due the presence of hybrid tape which enhances the irregular disturbances, secondary flow, recirculations and swirls, thereby enhancing heat transfer rate.

Figure 5d shows that  $Nu$  is the function of  $Re$  for the hybrid tapes for different combinations of wave ratio ( $z$ ) and spring ratio ( $k$ ) while keeping the value of grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) fixed at 0.25. The graphs show a comparison of enhancement in  $Nu$  for

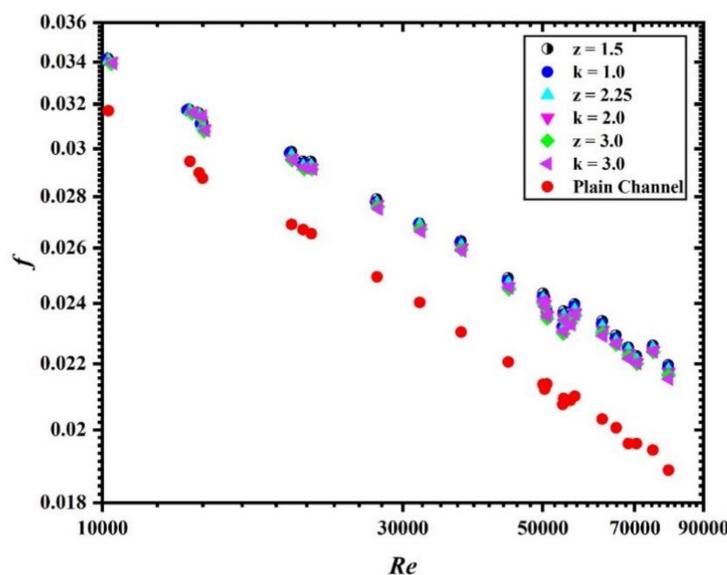
hybrid tapes, grooved spring tapes and plain tube. A very appreciable enhancement in average Nu is noted. For the case of hybrid tapes, the tape with configuration  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$  and  $c = 0.25$  shows the highest augmentation in the average Nusselt number while least Nusselt is reported for  $k = 3.0$ ,  $z = 3.0$  and  $c = 0.25$ . However, the enhancement in both the cases is much higher than that obtained with grooved spring tape acting alone. The hybrid tape inserts enhance the convective heat transfer by disturbing the thermal boundary which results in the generation of secondary flow and increasing turbulence intensity, which led to higher convective heat transfer.

Figure 5e shows the Nu is the function of Re for the hybrid tapes for different combinations of spring ratio ( $k$ ) and grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) while keeping the wave ratio ( $z$ ) fixed at 1.5. It is once again clear that hybrid tapes show the highest escalation in the value of Nu for all the Re. For the case of  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$ , and  $c = 0.25$ , the enhancement is maximum while the least enhancement is reported for  $k = 3.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$  and  $c = 0.16$ . This is due to the grooved surface which disrupts the boundary layer, led to the higher heat transfer rate. Higher grove depth implies more disturbance and hence the higher convective heat transfer.

From the above discussion, it is clearly interpreted that hybrid tapes show the highest enhancement in the Nu value. It is also noted that increasing the value of spring ratio and wave ratio and decreasing the grooved depth ratio results in the decrease in Nusselt number. The reason for enhancement in average Nu is the vortices' development at the gap of tape and the development of the secondary flow in the flow field. These developments allow better mixing among the fluid elements in the fluid domain which directly result in higher heat transfer rate.

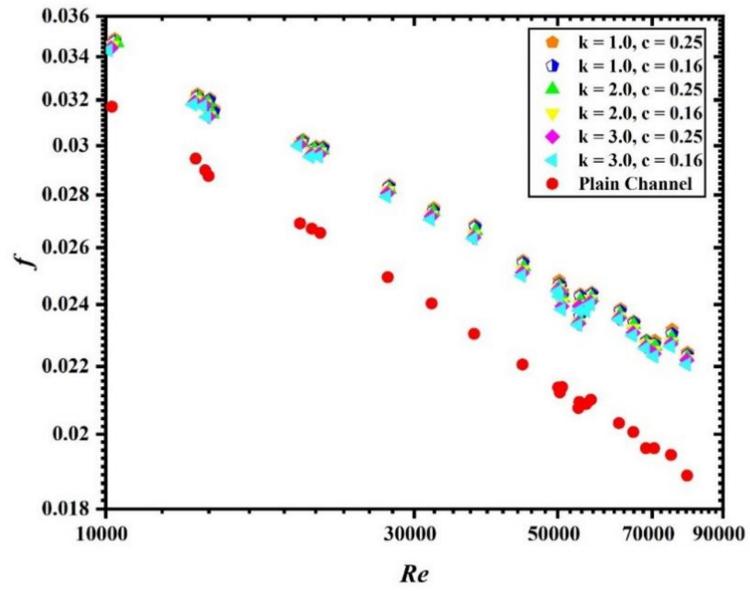
#### 4.3. Influence of Hybrid Tapes on the Friction Factor

The thermal performance of thermal flow system also depends upon the friction factor. Higher friction factor results in low thermal performance. Hence, one should consider the frictional losses seriously. The presence of inserts in the flow field helps in the augmentation of heat transfer but it will also escalate the friction. The resulting pressure drop directly led to enhanced power for the same output. The various causes of pressure drop are enhanced contact between fluid and insert, reduction in dynamic pressure, formation of vortices in the flow field, etc. Figure 6a–e shows the alteration in friction factor ( $f$ ) with Re for different combinations of configuration and parameters. As expected in the turbulent flow regime, friction factor shows a decreasing trend with increase in the Re.

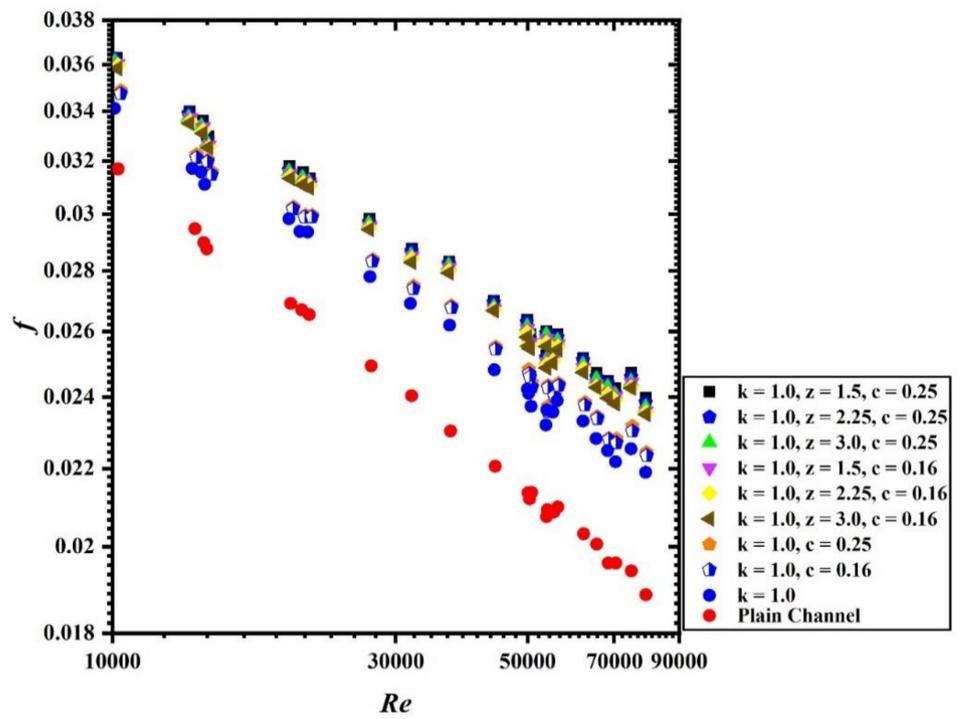


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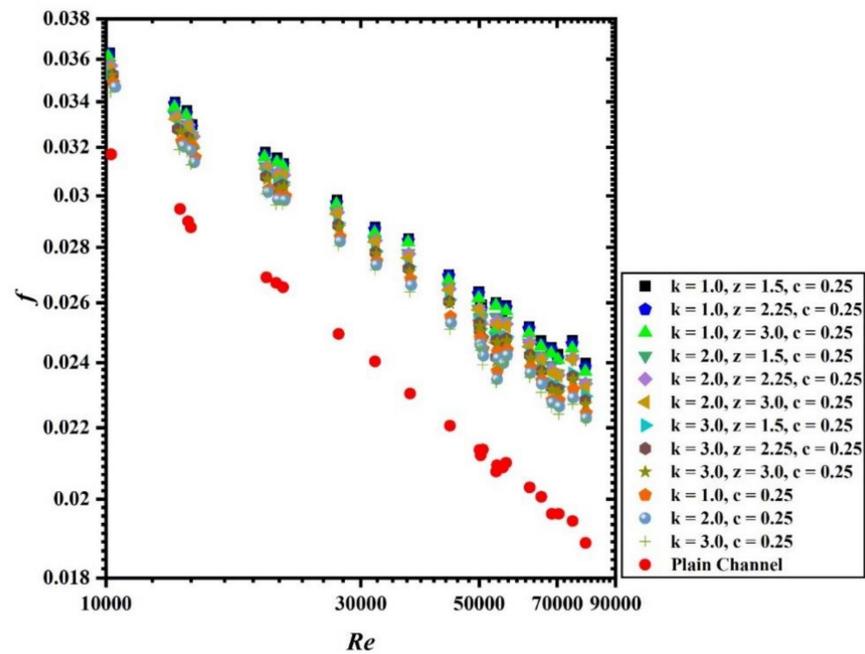


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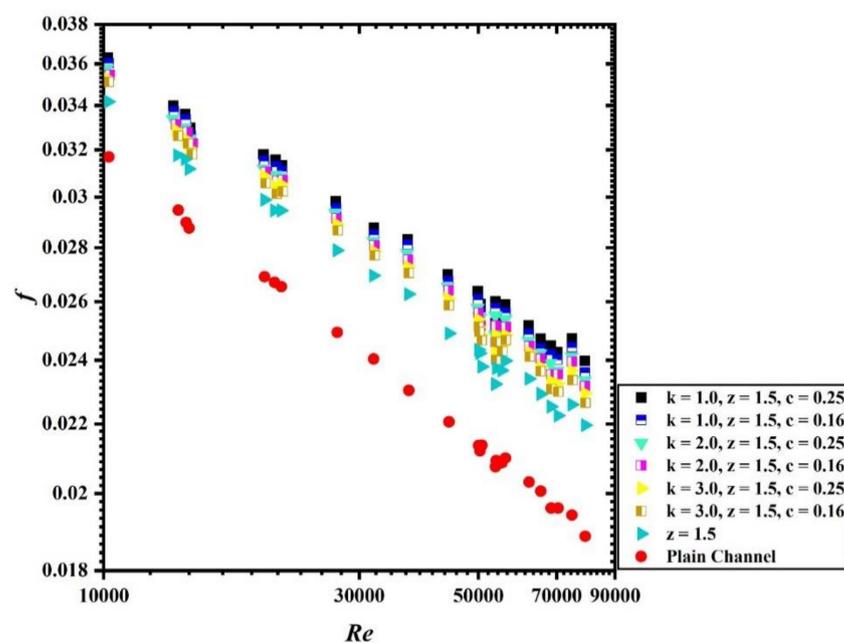


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**Figure 6.** Friction factor as a function of Reynolds number: (a) Wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone, (b) grooved spring tapes acting alone, (c) hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and grooved depth ratio while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (d) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the grooved depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (e) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and grooved depth ratio while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

Figure 6a shows that the plot for friction factor ( $f$ ) is the function of  $Re$  for wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone, and the comparison is made with smooth tube data. Increase in friction factor is noticed for both types of tape with very negligible variations among the both the tapes for different wave ratio ( $z$ ) and spring ratio ( $k$ ).

Figure 6b shows the plot for friction factor with  $Re$  for grooved spring tapes of different spring ratio ( $k$ ) and grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) acting alone. No significant enhancement in the

friction factor has been noticed when results are compared with different configurations of parameters when tapes are acting alone for all  $Re$ .

Figure 6c shows the changes in friction factor values with  $Re$  for hybrid tapes with fixed spring ratio ( $k = 1.0$ ), while other parameters vary. It is clearly visible from the graph that increase in friction factor is noticeable when compared with the results of grooved spring tapes and spring tape without groove. However, once again the variation in the value of friction factor for different combinations of hybrid tapes is negligible.

Figure 6d shows the variation of friction factor with  $Re$  for hybrid tape with fixed grooved depth ratio ( $c = 0.25$ ), and different combinations of spring ratio ( $k$ ) and wave ratio ( $z$ ). Increase in friction factor is noticed with highest increase for the hybrid case having  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$ , and  $c = 0.25$  while the least friction factor has been noticed for  $k = 3.0$ ,  $z = 3.0$ , and  $c = 0.25$ . It can be said that friction factor ( $f$ ) decreases with increase in spring ratio as well as wave ratio when grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) is constant at 0.25. This trend is also clearly visible for the case of grooved spring tapes acting alone.

Figure 6e shows that the plot of friction factor for the case of hybrid tapes for the different combinations of spring ratio ( $k$ ), wave ratio ( $z$ ), and grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ). The wave ratio ( $z$ ) is kept constant at 1.5. Once again, the maximum friction factor is noticed for the hybrid tape having parameters of  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$ , and  $c = 0.25$ . An increase in spring ratio results in a decreased friction factor.

Hence, from the above discussion, it is clear that friction factor shows a decreasing trend for increasing spring ratio ( $k$ ), wave ratio ( $z$ ) while increasing the grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) results in higher friction factor ( $f$ ).

#### 4.4. Influence of Hybrid Tapes on the Colburn J-Factor

Colburn  $j$ -factor is a non-dimension parameter that is used in convective heat transfer analysis which gives an analogy between heat, mass, and momentum transfer. Figure 7a–e shows the variation in the Colburn  $j$ -factor for different arrangements of tapes and parameter combinations. A diminishing trend has been noticed for Colburn  $j$ -factor with  $Re$ . The highest variation is noted at  $Re = 10,000$ , while the least variation was noticed very close to  $Re = 80,000$  for all the configurations.

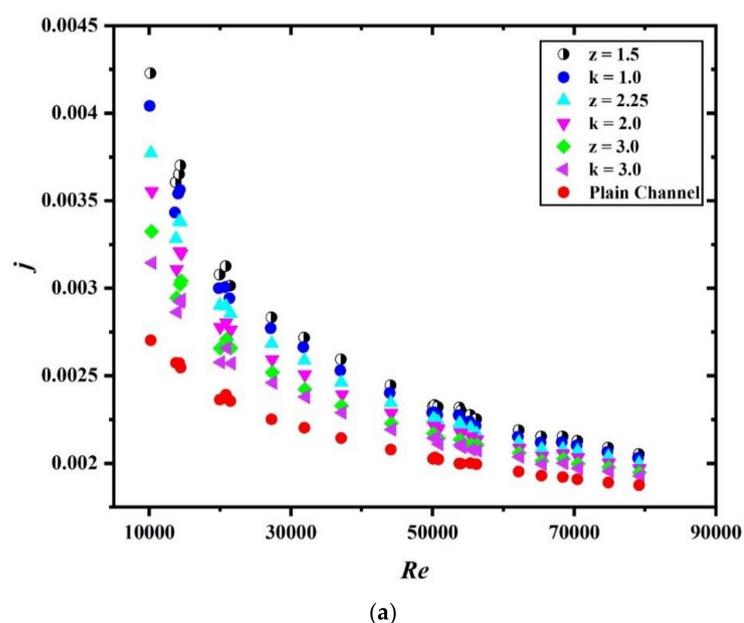
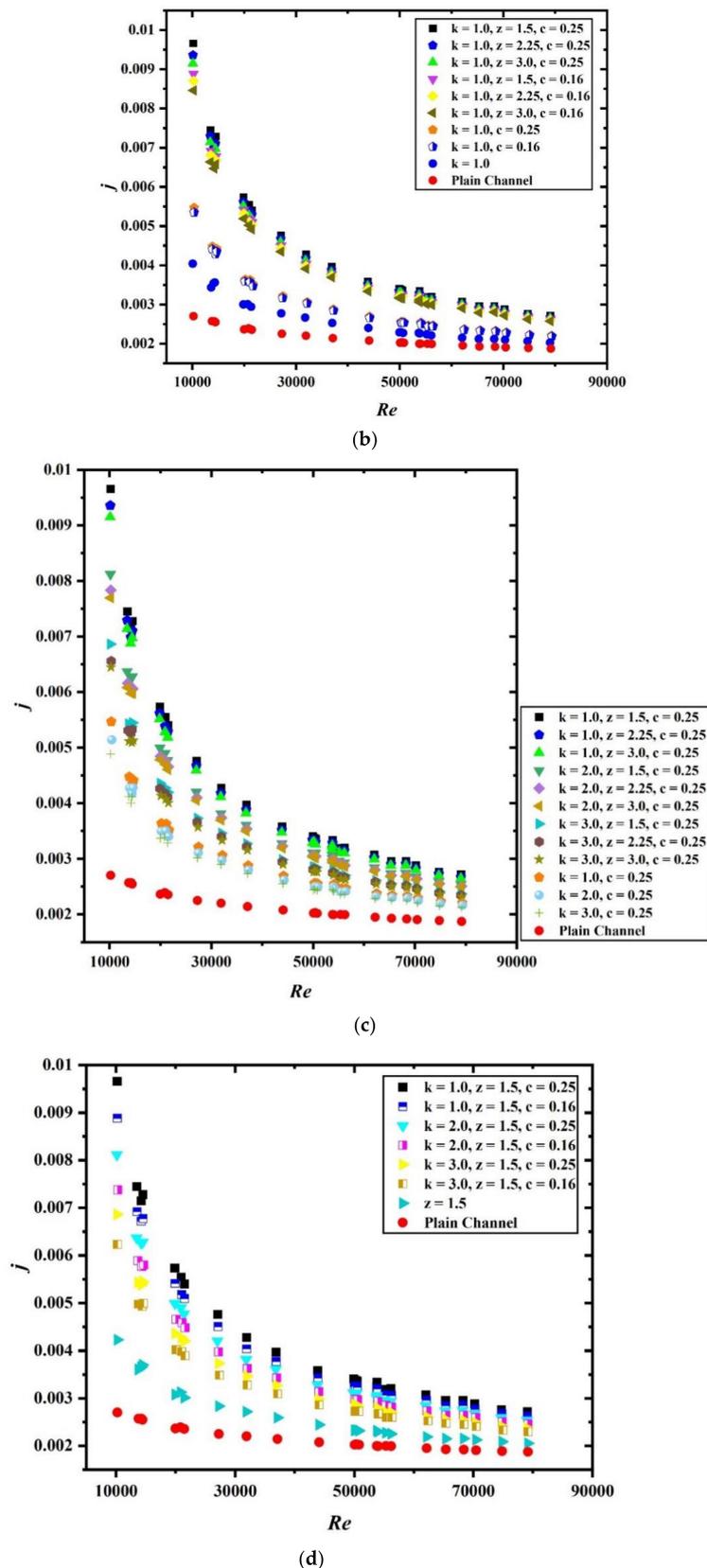


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**Figure 7.** Colburn  $j$ -factor as a function of  $Re$ : (a) wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone, (b) hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and corrugation depth while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (c) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the corrugation depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (d) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and corrugation depth and while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

Figure 7a shows the plot representing the variation of  $j$ -factor with  $Re$  when the wavy tape and spring tape without groove act alone. The decreasing trend is prevalent in the plot where the highest value of Colburn  $j$ -factor is noticed for wavy tape having wave ratio ( $z$ ) of 1.5 for all  $Re$  and is least noted for spring tape of spring ratio ( $k$ ) 3.0.

Figure 7b shows the curve representing the variation of  $j$ -factor with  $Re$  for hybrid tapes keeping the spring ratio ( $k$ ) constant at 1.0 and varying the other two parameters i.e.,  $z$  and  $c$ . The  $j$ -factor is significantly higher for hybrid tape than spring tape and plain channel acting alone. It is also noted that at the beginning the values are quite high and slowly decrease with increasing  $Re$ . While considering hybrid tape only, the maximum deviation from beginning to end is noted for hybrid tape having parameters  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$ , and  $c = 0.25$  while the least deviation is noted for  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 3.0$ , and  $c = 0.16$ .

Figure 7c shows the plot for Colburn  $j$ -factor variation with  $Re$  for hybrid tapes for constant grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) while varying the  $k$  and  $z$ , and similarly Figure 7d shows the plot for Colburn  $j$ -factor variation with  $Re$  for hybrid tapes for a fixed value of  $z$  while varying  $k$  and  $c$ . Once again it is observed from the figures that the highest value of  $j$ -factor is noted at the entrance which keeps gradually decreasing with increase in  $Re$ . It is clearly visible in the plot that hybrid tapes having lower spring ratio, wave ratio and higher grooved depth ratio shows the maximum improvement in the  $j$ -factor value while increasing the spring ratio and wave number leads to reduced value of  $j$ -factor.

#### 4.5. Influence of Thermo-Hydraulic Performance Factor

Thermo-hydraulic performance factor symbolized by ' $\eta$ ' is represented by Equation (12) and is defined as the balance of Nusselt number enhancement and friction factor enhancement. This factor is the best parameter to evaluate the actual enhancement in the thermal performance of a heat exchanger. Figure 8a–e shows the various plots for thermo-hydraulic performance with  $Re$  for different combinations of parameters.

Figure 8a shows the variation of thermo-hydraulic performance factor with  $Re$  when wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone in the fluid domain. It is clear from the graph that ' $\eta$ ' is above 1 for all the cases with highest value reported for wavy tape having wave ratio ( $z$ ) of 1.5 while the least enhancement is noted for spring tape having spring ratio of 3.0. This is because the lesser gap between the spring increases the formation of vortices and secondary flow in the fluid domain and results in higher enhancement in heat transfer. At the same time, the friction factor is also enhanced due to an increase in the surface area of spring tape of the same length but it is not that dominant. These two factors are responsible for higher thermo-hydraulic performance.

Figure 8b represents the plot for the thermo-hydraulic performance factor variation with  $Re$  for groove spring tape of different configurations acting alone. Again, one can notice that the plot clearly shows that lower spring ratio along with higher grooved depth ratio results in higher thermo-hydraulic performance while the least enhancement is noted for spring tape having  $k = 3.0$ , and  $c = 0.16$ .

Figure 8c–e presented figures, which shows the variation of thermo-hydraulic performance factor as a function of  $Re$  for hybrid tapes with variation of  $z$ ,  $k$  and  $c$ . In Figure 8c, the spring ratio is kept constant, for Figure 8d grooved depth ratio is kept fixed while for Figure 8e the wave ratio is kept constant. From all the above mentioned figures it is clearly interpreted that hybrid tape having parameter  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$  and  $c = 0.25$  gives the highest values of  $\eta$  when compared with other combinations. Hence, it can be said that thermo-hydraulic performance factors decrease with the increase in spring ratio ( $k$ ), increase in wave ratio ( $z$ ) and decrease in grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ).

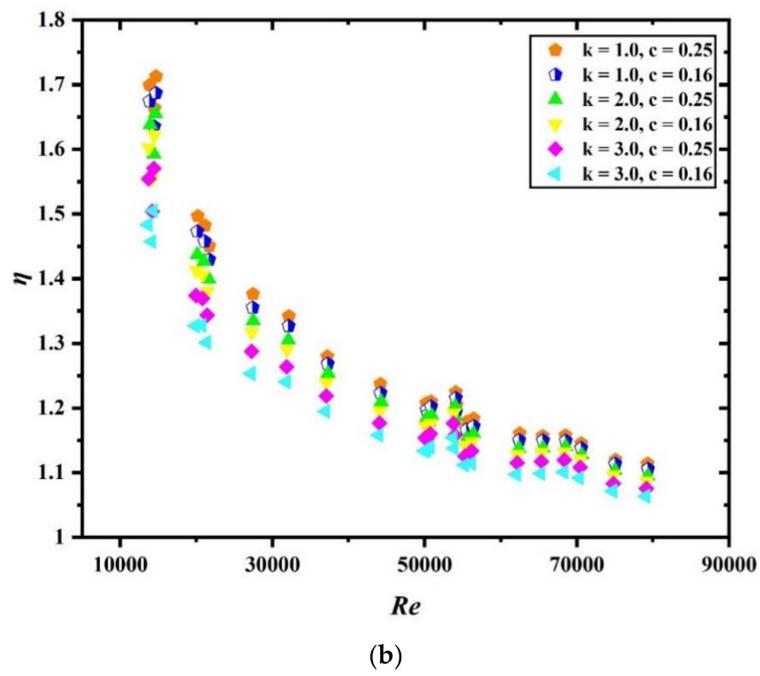
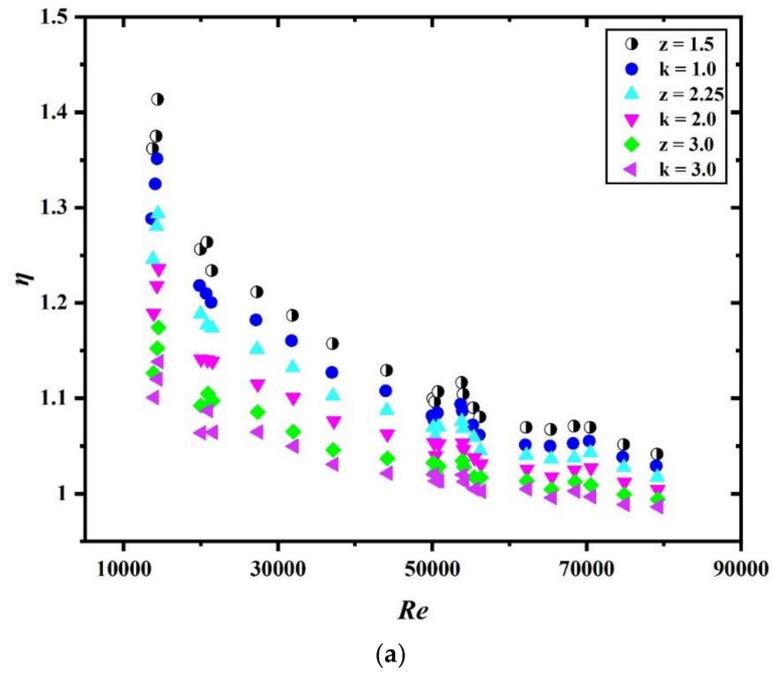
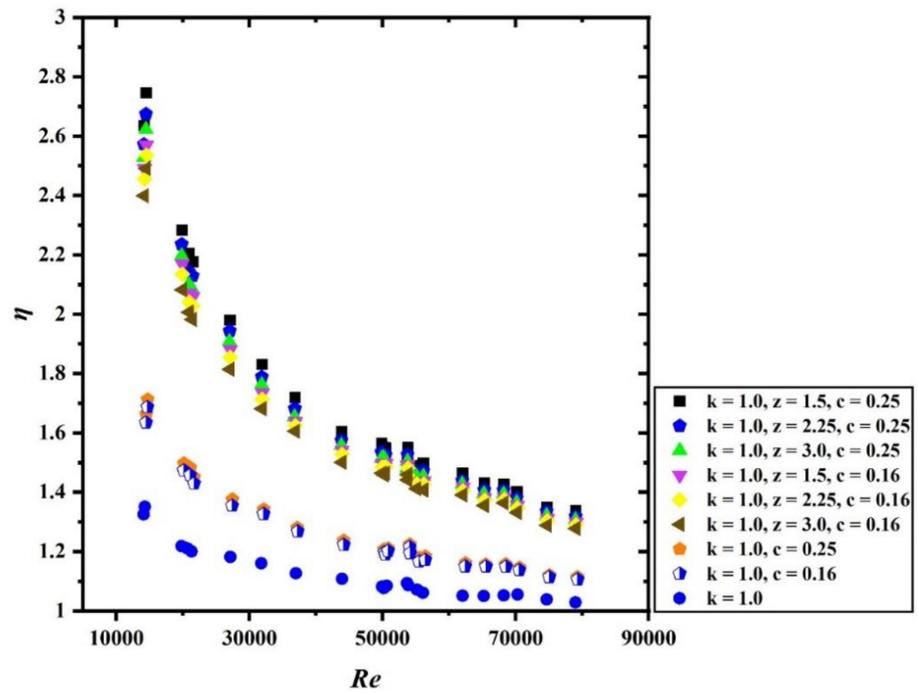
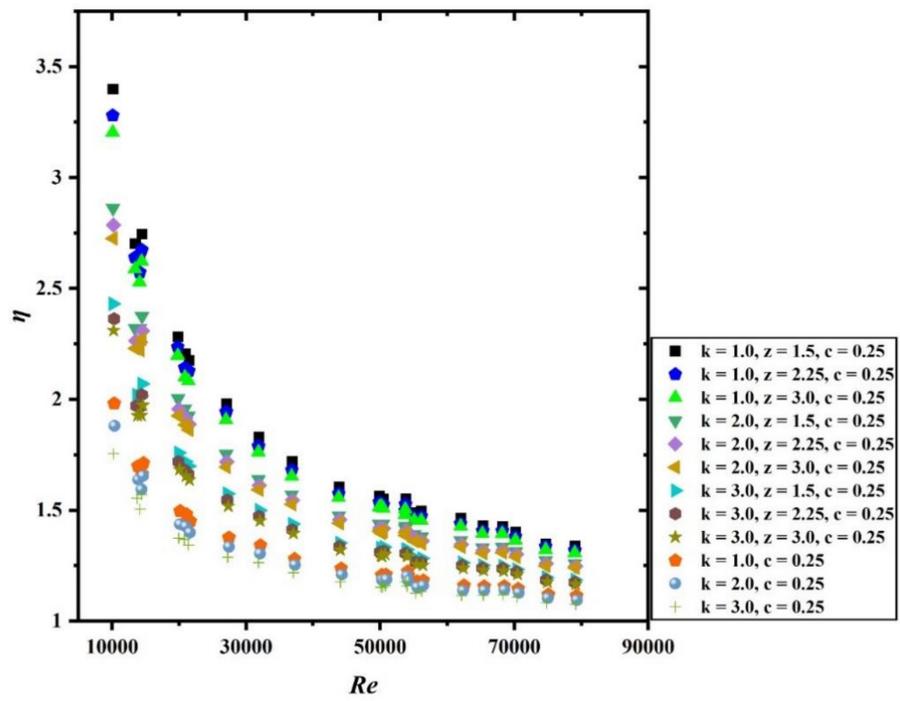


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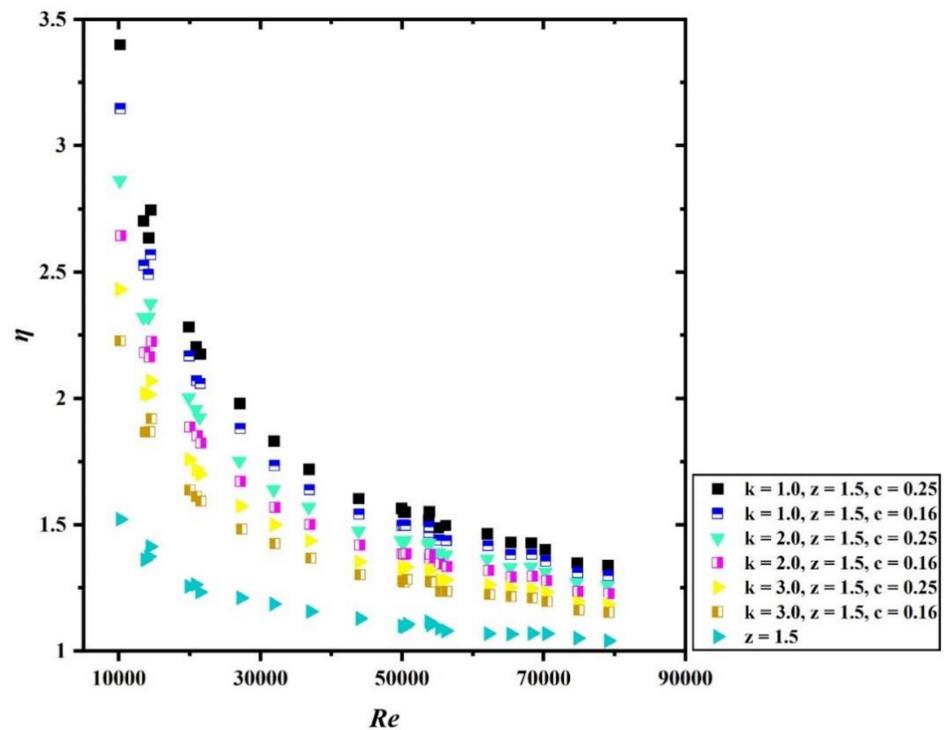


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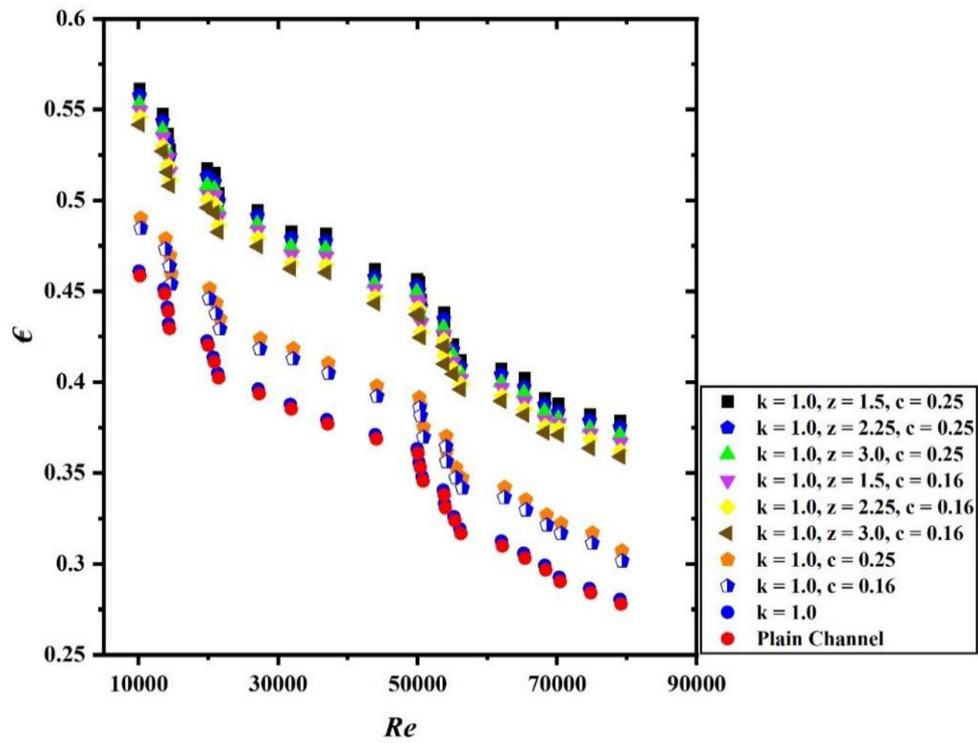


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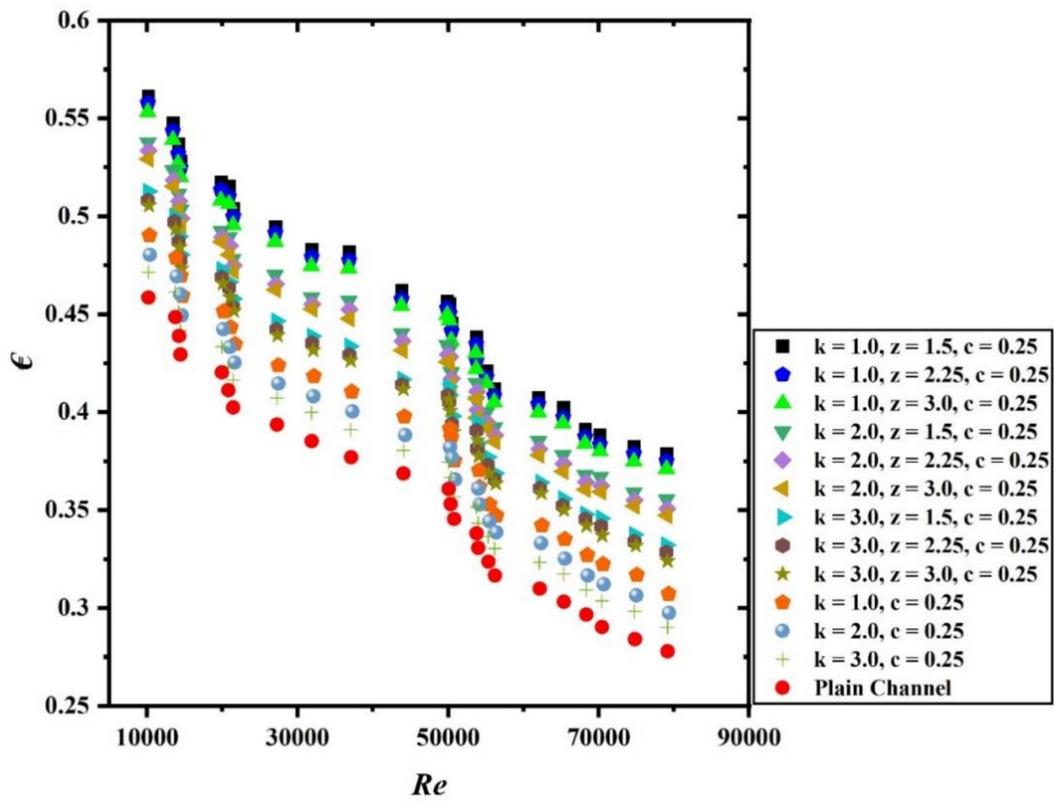
**Figure 8.** Thermohydraulic efficiency as a function of  $Re$ : (a) wavy tape and spring tape without groove acting alone, (b) grooved spring tapes acting alone, (c) hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and corrugation depth while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (d) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the corrugation depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (e) hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and corrugation depth ratio and while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

#### 4.6. Influence of Exergy Efficiency

Exergy efficiency analysis is done for the system to evaluate the energy conversion and distribution within the system. It is a thermodynamic process which helps in the detection of sources of thermal inefficiency within the system. Exergy analysis is based on the second law of thermodynamics, and it provides an idea about variation of the physical process with ideal process. Exergy efficiency ( $\epsilon$ ) analysis also helps in removing the irreversibility associated with the system. Figure 10a–c gives details of exergy efficiency as a function of  $Re$  for a different combination of parameters for the hybrid tapes and are compared with exergy efficiency of spring tape with or without groove and wavy tape acting alone as well as plain channel. It is noticed from the figures that exergy efficiency remains significantly high for the hybrid tapes which is followed by other configurations studied. It is clearly visible for all the plots that hybrid tape having parameter  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$ , and  $c = 0.25$ , shows the maximum exergy efficiency for all the values of  $Re$ . However, a decreasing trend is noticed for exergy efficiency with increase in the  $Re$ . From Figure 10a,c, it is clear that use of single tape without any grooves shows negligible variation in the exergy efficiency with plain channel while increasing the spring ratio ( $k$ ), wave ratio ( $z$ ) and decreasing the value of grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ), resulting in decreased exergy efficiency.

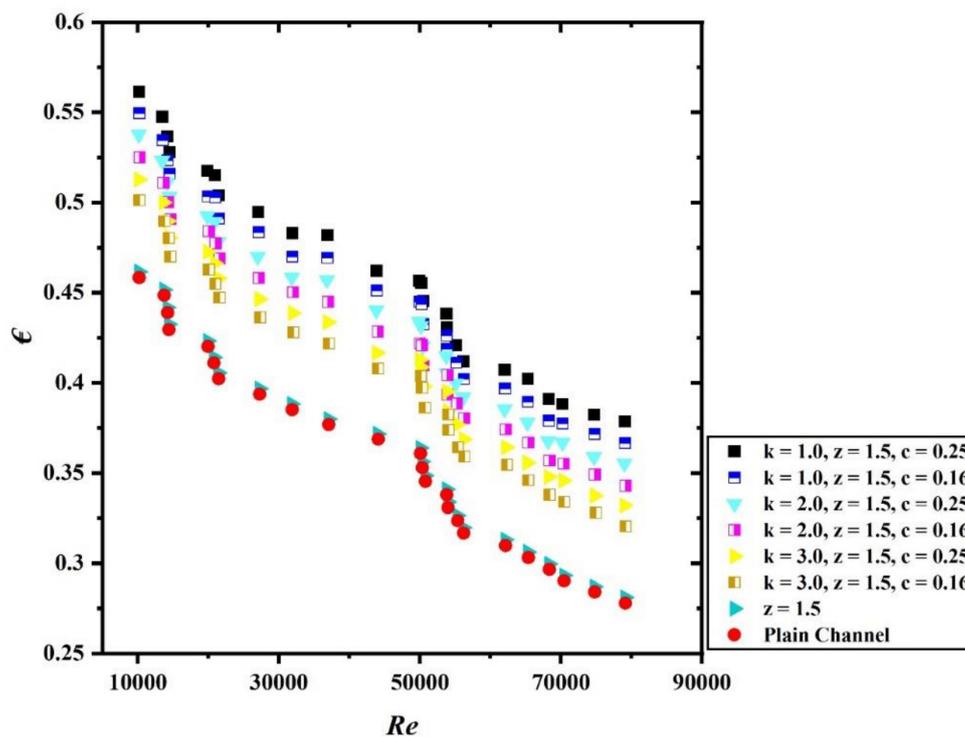


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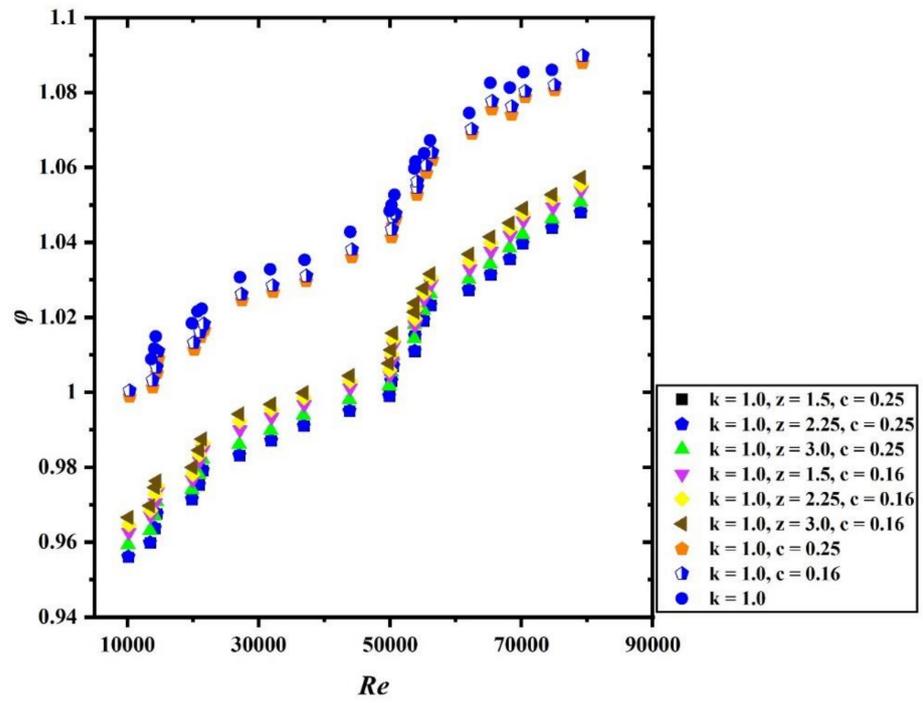


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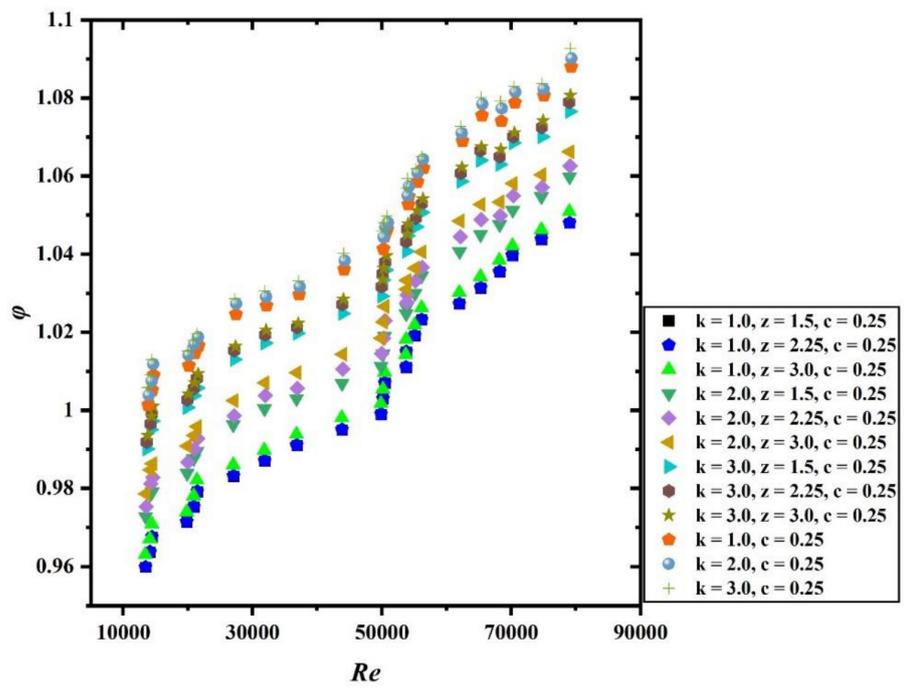
**Figure 9.** Exergy efficiency is the function of  $Re$ : (a) Hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and corrugation depth while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (b) Hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the corrugation depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (c) Hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and corrugation depth ratio and while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

#### 4.7. Influence of Irreversibility

Irreversibility occurs in the conduit due to heat transfer and pressure drop occurring in the duct. This is because of heat loss and friction losses that occur in the flow process. Figure 10a–c shows the variation in the irreversibility factor ( $\varphi$ ) with  $Re$  for various design specifications of tape inserts. Figure 10a–c clearly shows that irreversibility is highest when spring tapes without grooves act alone followed by grooved spring tapes followed by hybrid grooved tapes in the flow field. From the above discussion, it can be interpreted that the performance of heat transfer improved with the use of complex geometry. Additionally, with increase in the  $Re$ , the thermal performance improved which results in lower entropy generation. Higher temperature gradient and velocity gradient result in enhanced irreversibility of the system. For the present analysis and obtained graphs, we can say that the temperature gradient in the flow field becomes more subtle with the increase in the  $Re$  which results in a decrease in irreversibility while velocity gradient is enhanced with the increase in  $Re$  which results in more entropy generation.

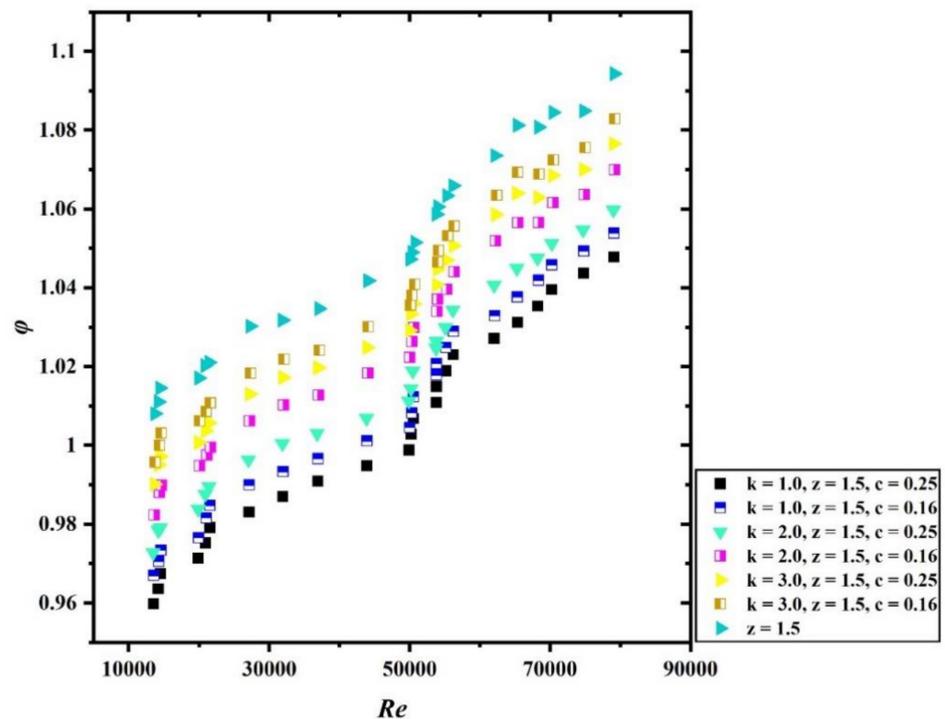


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**Figure 10.** Irreversibility is the function of  $Re$ : (a) Hybrid tapes for varying wave ratio and corrugation depth while keeping the spring ratio fixed at 1.0, (b) Hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and wave ratio and while keeping the corrugation depth ratio fixed at 0.25, and (c) Hybrid tapes for varying spring ratio and corrugation depth ratio and while keeping the fixed wave ratio at 1.5.

#### 4.8. Correlations for Predicting the Nusselt Number and Friction Factor

The data obtained from the experimentation for the case of hybrid grooved tape shows strong influence of other parameters such as  $Re$ ,  $Pr$ , spring ratio, wavy ratio, and grooved depth ratio. Hence, correlations for  $Nu$  and  $f$  are developed using experimental data through the regression analysis. Equation 19 and 20 shows the correlations for  $Nu$  and  $f$  for the case of hybrid grooved tape.

$$Nu = 0.171 Re^{0.801} k^{-0.221} z^{0.069} c^{0.01} Pr^{0.13} \quad (19)$$

$$f = 1.401 Re^{-0.381} k^{-0.312} z^{-0.163} c^{-0.121} \quad (20)$$

Figures 11 and 12 show that the divergence between the experimentally gained and predicted data of  $Nu$  and  $f$  for hybrid grooved tape are  $\pm 6\%$  and  $\pm 8\%$ , respectively.

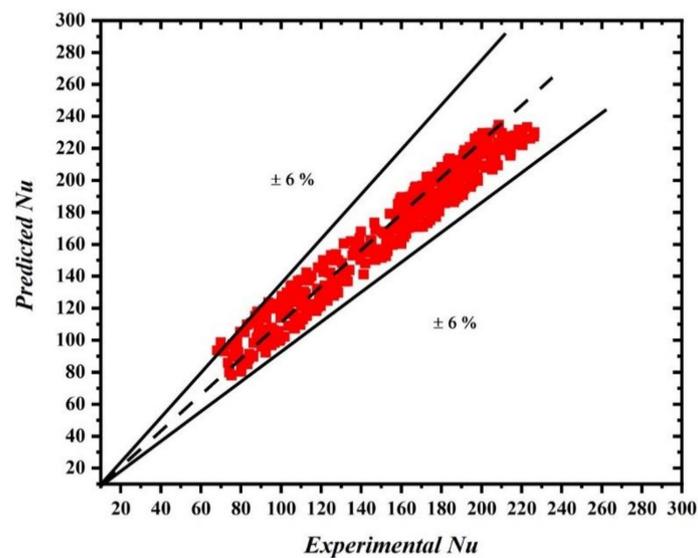


Figure 11. Plot showing prediction of Nu versus experimental data for hybrid grooved tape.

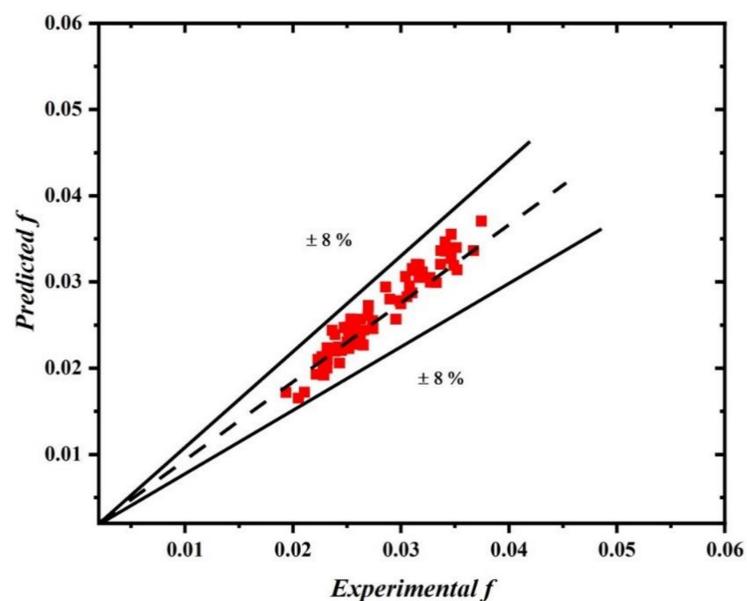
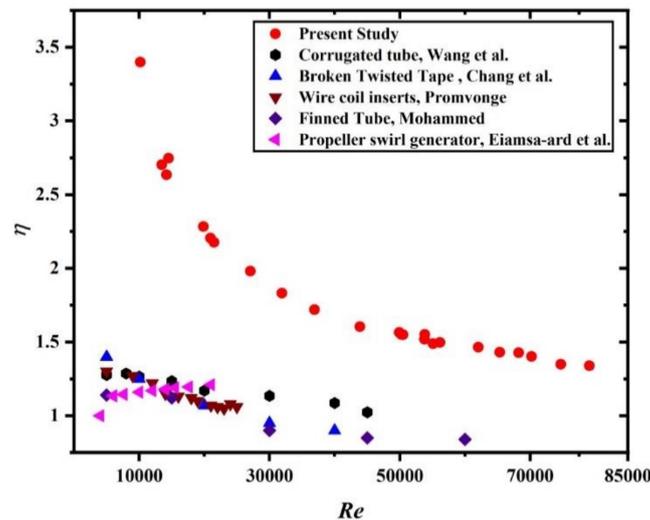


Figure 12. Plot showing prediction of  $f$  versus experimental data for hybrid grooved tape.

#### 4.9. Comparability of Thermo-Hydraulic Performance of Present Investigation with Previous Articles

The thermo-hydraulic behaviour of the channel embedded with hybrid grooved tape with a spring ratio ( $k$ ) of 1.0, wave ratio ( $z$ ) of 1.5 and grooved depth ratio ( $c$ ) of 0.25 is compared with previously investigated geometries, such as corrugated tube, broken twisted tape, finned ducts, propeller swirl generator and wire coil inserts [90–94]. The comparative plot with these geometries discussed by these researchers [90–94] is depicted in Figure 13. The present configuration offers improved performance over previously studied geometries. The graph clearly depicted that the other passive heat transfer enhancement methods show lower thermal performance when compared with present investigation. The various methods studied by different authors [90–94] for thermal enhancement show improvement in heat transfer, but the frictional losses associated with the design are higher which results in lower value of thermal performance factor. However, in the present investigation the enhancement in heat transfer is much better over the enhancement in

frictional losses that occurred due to the introduction of hybrid tape, which led to higher thermal performance factor.



**Figure 13.** Plot showing comparability of thermo-hydraulic performance ( $\eta$ ) of present investigation with previously studied articles.

## 5. ANN-Based Heat Transfer Prediction

In this section, the influence of architectures [95] and their variants and training strategies are described exhaustively.

The basic working principle of ANN is as follows:

1. **Forward Propagation:** Take the inputs, multiply by the weights (just use random numbers as weights) Let  $Y = W_i I_i = W_1 I_1 + W_2 I_2 + W_3 I_3$ . Pass the result of the input and the first three hidden layers through a ReLU activation function and the last hidden layer through a sigmoid formula to calculate the neuron's output. The Sigmoid function is used to normalize the result between 0 and 1:  $1/(1 + e^{-y})$ . ReLU stands for Rectified Linear Units. The formula is deceptively simple:  $\max(0, z)$ . Despite its name and appearance, it is not linear and provides the same benefits as Sigmoid but with better performance. It can be written as:  $A(z) = z$  if  $z > 0$  or  $A(z) = 0$  if  $z \leq 0$ .
2. **Back Propagation** Calculate the error, i.e., the difference between the actual output and the expected output. Depending on the error, adjust the weights by multiplying the error with the input and again with the gradient of the Sigmoid curve:  $\text{Weight} = \text{Error} \times \text{Input} \times \text{Output} (1 - \text{Output})$ , here  $\text{Output} (1 - \text{Output})$  is derivative of sigmoid curve.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 until the model is trained to have a considerable minimal error on the training set.

### 5.1. Model

The primary step of the ANN-based approach is collecting the experimental data that is taken to train the model. Figure 14a,e demonstrates the architecture of the ANN-based approach for prediction.

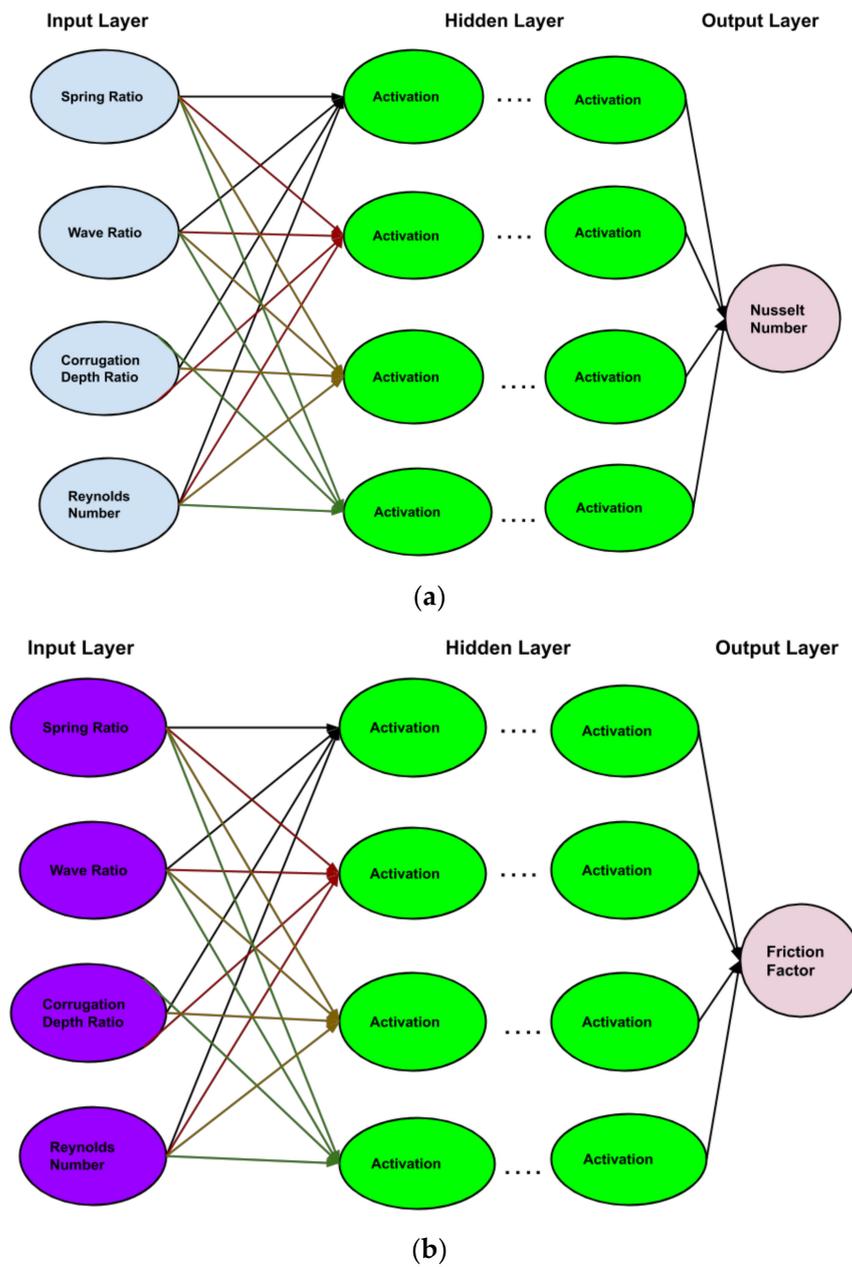
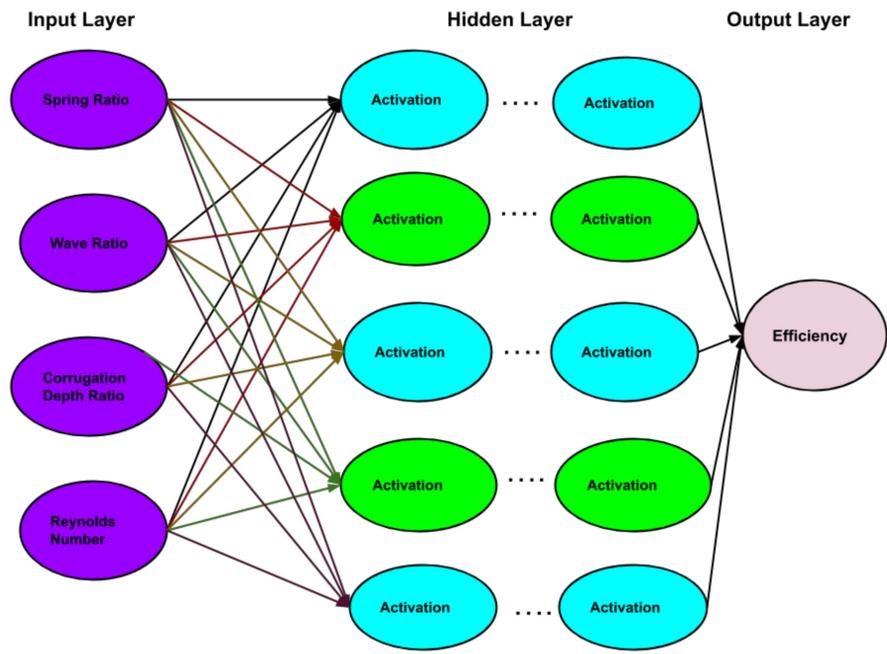
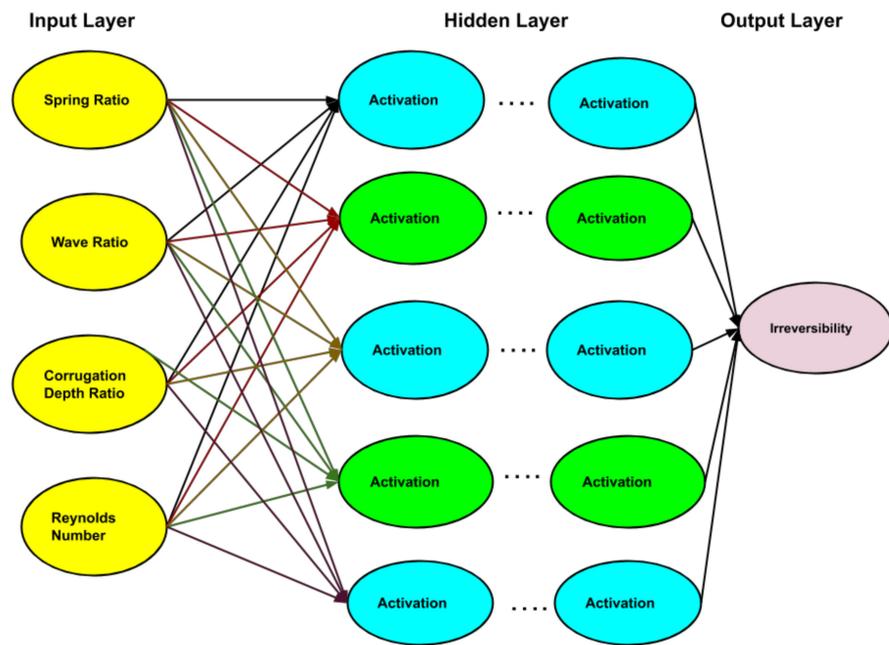


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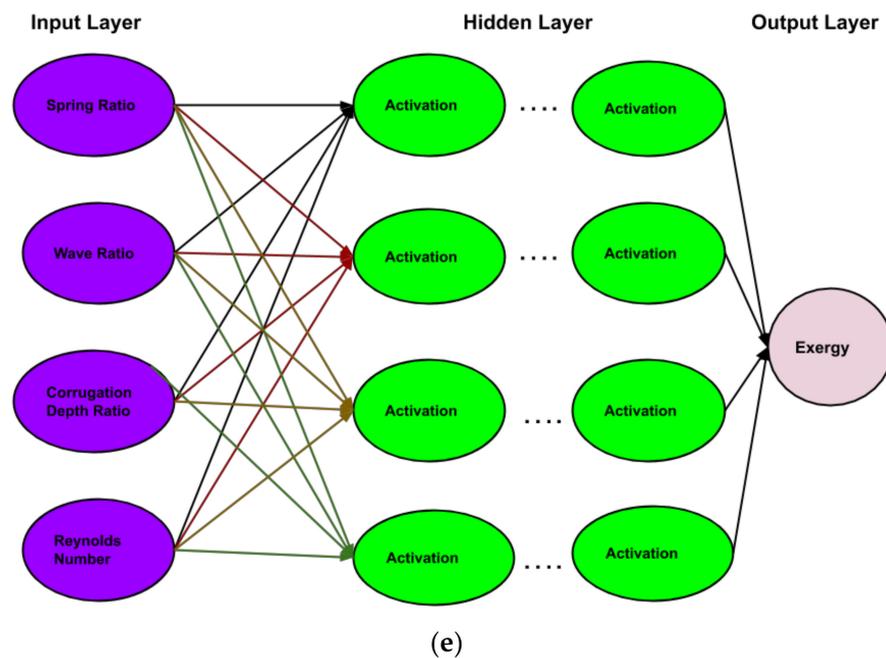


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**Figure 14.** Architecture of the artificial neural network (ANN)-based approach for prediction: (a)  $Nu$ , (b)  $f$ , (c)  $\eta$ , (d) irreversibility and (e) exergy efficiency.

The five layered neural network-based machine learning model is used to predict the Nusselt number, friction factor, thermodynamic efficiency, irreversibility and exergy efficiency.

Mean square error (MSE) is calculated by taking the average of the square of the difference between the original and predicted values of the data.

$$\text{MSE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n (\text{Actual values} - \text{Predicted values})^2 \quad (21)$$

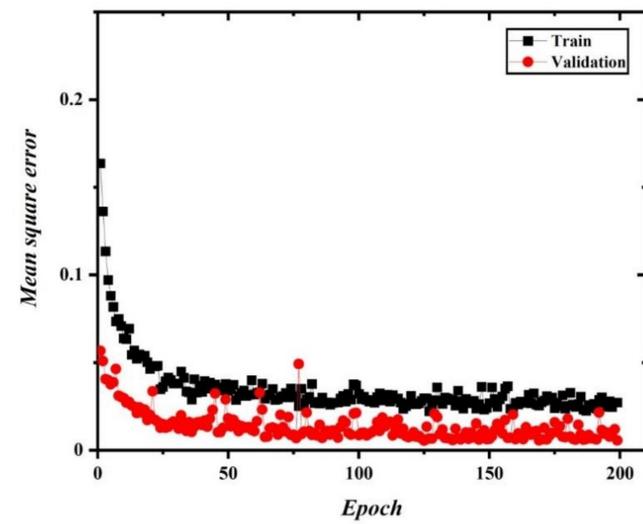
Here,  $N$  is the total number of observations/rows in the dataset.

MSE is one of the most commonly used metrics. It is most useful when the dataset contains outliers, or unexpected values (too high or too low values). Hence, this gives a good fit irrespective of any erroneous data available in the dataset.

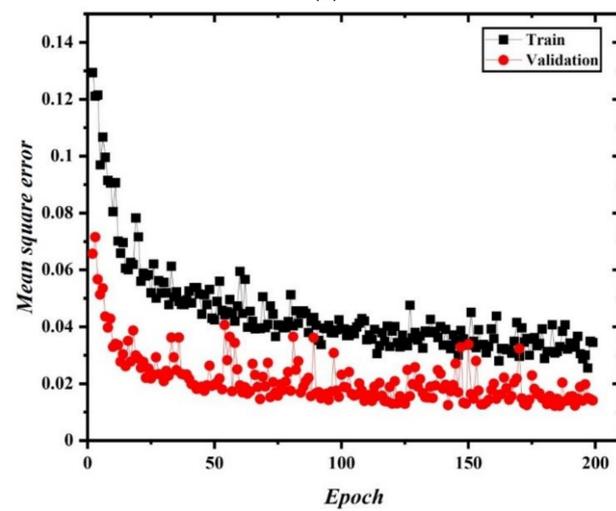
The test accuracy is being shown in Table 1. The neural network is trained by taking batch size as 12 and epoch size as 200. The change in training and validation loss with an increase in epoch numbers is shown in Figure 15a–e.

**Table 1.** Training Accuracy.

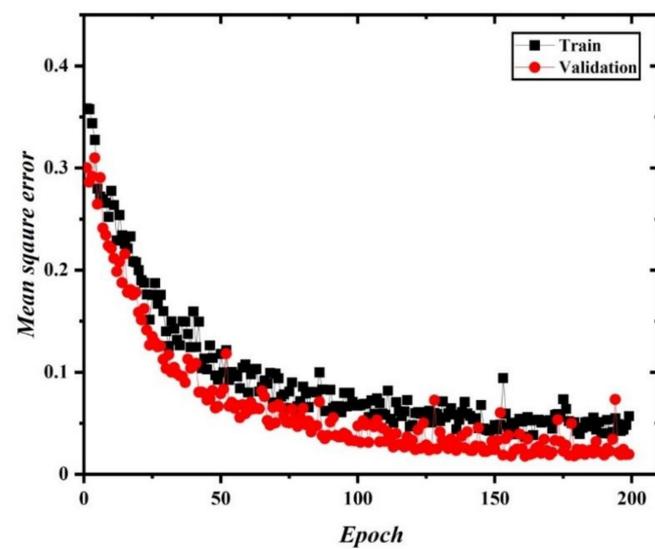
Output Parameters	Test Accuracy (%)
Nusselt Number	99.43
Irreversibility	98.53
Exergy Efficiency	98.71
Friction Factor	98.59
Thermodynamic Efficiency	98.10



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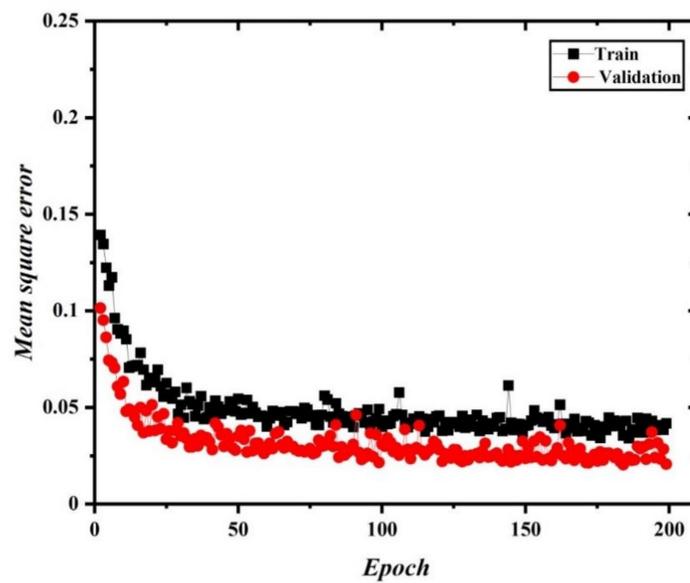


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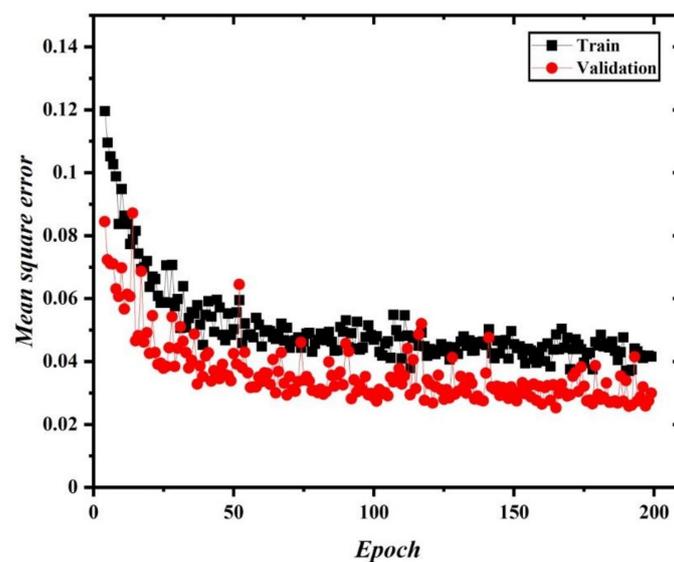


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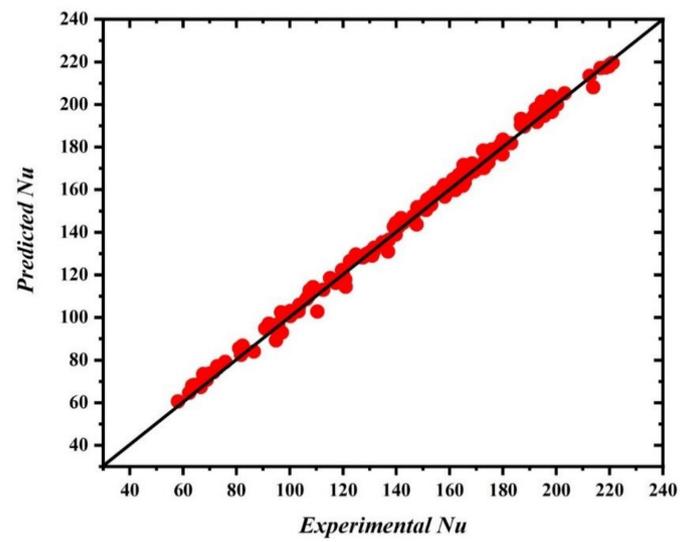
**Figure 15.** Mean squared error as the function of epochs: (a)  $Nu$ , (b)  $f$ , (c)  $\eta$ , (d) irreversibility and (e) exergy efficiency.

### 5.2. Computational Environment

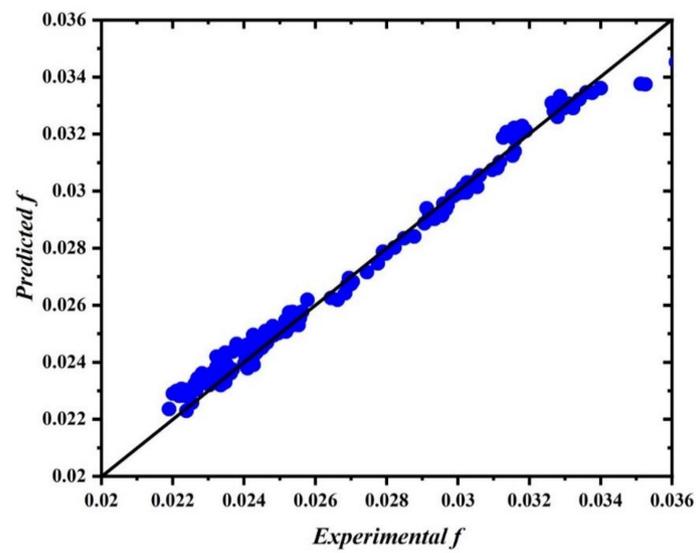
All the experiments were run on Google Colab Notebook with Nvidia GPU version 1.4.0-enabled and Keras 2.4.0 is used as an API to train and test the neural network models, thus favoring a way to clone hardware configuration. The best model is reported after experimenting many times with different configuration of the models.

### 5.3. Predictions Using ANN

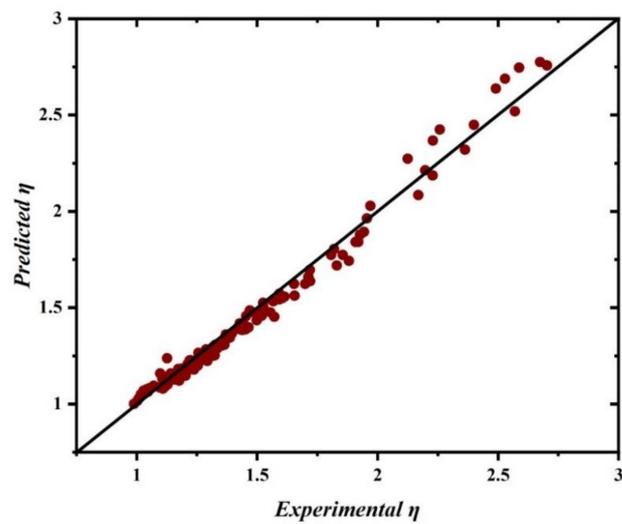
Figure 16a–e shows the assessment between the predicted and actual experimental value of the test data for  $Nu$ ,  $f$ ,  $\eta$ , irreversibility and exergy efficiency, respectively. From the figures, one can understand that the ANN model fits the dataset acceptably. The performance of the models has reported an accuracy of more than 98.5% on the test dataset.



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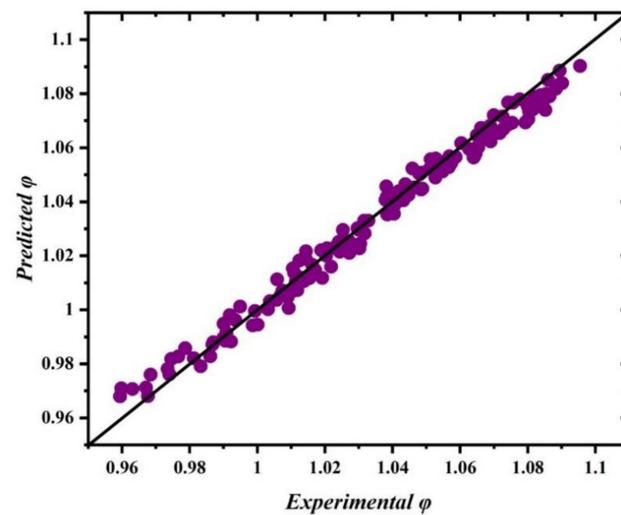


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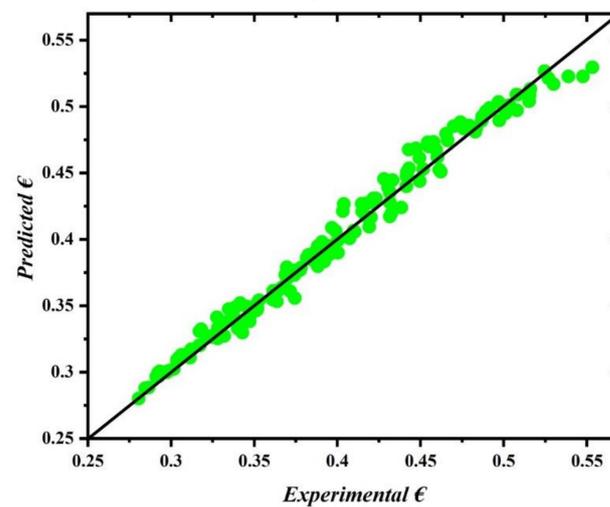


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**Figure 16.** Predicted and experimental values for hybrid grooved tape: (a)  $Nu$ , (b)  $f$ , (c)  $\eta$ , (d) irreversibility and (e) exergy efficiency.

The detailed statistical analysis of the generated data is shown in Table 2 which includes a count of the data, mean, and standard deviation that elaborates the range or the distribution of the generated data.

**Table 2.** Analysis of generated data.

	Wave Ratio	Spring Ratio	Corrugation Depth Ratio	Reynolds Number
Count	1679.00	1679.00	1679.00	1679.00
Mean	2.12	2.25	0.184	31,441.33
Standard Deviation	1.038	0.66	0.064	19,773.93

The newly generated parameters for prediction are shown in Table 3. The Nusselt number, friction factor, thermohydraulic efficiency, irreversibility and exergy efficiency results of generated data are shown in Appendix A. The inputs are new to the model and hence the accuracy is measured to their outcomes. The present model for  $Nu$ ,  $f$ ,  $\eta$ , irreversibility and exergy efficiency will ease a very huge workload by determining the required outputs. With given test data as mentioned in the Appendix A, the researchers working with a similar experimental setup will get help to tune their parameters according

to their needs and get their required result. It is important to note and consider an error factor of  $\pm 2\text{--}3\%$  while considering the results.

**Table 3.** New generated parameters for prediction.

Sl. No.	Parameters	Values
1	Spring Ratios (k)	0.5, 0.75, 1.5, 2.25, 2.5, 2.75, 3.25 and 3.5
2	Wave Ratios (z)	1.25, 1.75, 2.0, 2.5, 2.75 and 3.25
3	Grooved Depth Ratio (c)	0.1, 0.13, 0.19, 0.22 and 0.28
5	Reynolds number (Re)	10,000, 15,000, 20,000, 25,000, 30,000, 50,000 and 70,000

## 6. Conclusions

The experiment was conducted to investigate the thermal performance of a circular channel with hybrid grooved tape inserts. For the study the following inferences were drawn:

1. An enhancement in  $Nu$  is recorded with an increment of  $Re$  for all the cases.
2. Among the hybrid grooved tape the highest HT is noted for  $k = 1.0$ ,  $z = 1.5$  and  $c = 0.25$ , while  $k = 3.0$ ,  $z = 3.0$  and  $c = 0.16$  gives the minimum HT. As expected, a smooth plain tube has the lowest thermal energy transport coefficient.
3. The HT is found to rise with an increased grooved depth ratio (c). Likewise, average  $Nu$  declines with rise in spring ratio and wave ratio.
4. An ANN model is used for regression analysis to predict the HT, PD, thermohydraulic efficiency, irreversibility and exergy efficiency.
5. The models are evaluated to have an accuracy of 98.00% on unknown test data and the proposed model was able to reasonably forecast the  $Nu$ ,  $f$ ,  $\eta$ , irreversibility and exergy efficiency.
6. The results obtained from the analysis can be conveniently used to design highly efficient tube type heat exchangers.
7. From the above results, it is concluded that the use of hybrid grooved tape is proven to be an effective technique to enhance the thermal energy transport coefficient.

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## Abbreviations

### List of Symbols

$C_p$	Specific heat of air
$d$	diameter of hole
$D$	Inner diameter of duct
$D_o$	outer diameter of the tube
$Ex_{in}$	Exergy rate at inlet
$Ex_{out}$	Exergy rate at outlet
$Ex_w$	Exergy rate at wall
$f$	Friction factor
$H$	Perforation ratios
$h$	Heat transfer Coefficient
$I$	Current flow
$j$	Colburn j-factor
$k$	thermconductivity of working fluid
$k_{Brass}$	Thermal Conductivity of Brass
$L$	Length of duct
$m$	mass flow rate of air
$N_s$	dimensionless entropy generation number
$Nu$	Nusselt number
$P$	pitch ratios
$Pr$	Prandtl number
$Q$	Heat flow rate of air
$Q_e$	Electrical power
$q_w$	wall heat flux
$Re$	Reynolds numbers
$R_w$	thermal resistance due to the tube thickness
$S_{gen}$	entropy generation
$T_b$	Bulk temperature
$T_i$	Inlet temperature
$T_o$	Outlet temperature
$T_{ow}$	inner wall temperature
$T_w$	outer wall temperature
$V$	Velocity of flow
$V$	Voltage
$y$	Pitch of baffles

### List of Special Symbol

$\alpha$	Angles of attack
$\eta$	Thermo-hydraulic performance factor
$\phi$	irreversibility factor
$\eta_{Ex}$	Exergy efficiency
$\mu$	Dynamic viscosity
$\rho$	Density of fluid

## Appendix A

**Table A1.** Predicted result on  $Nu$ ,  $f$ ,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $\eta$  on generated data at minimum constant wave ration and groove depth ratio.

Sl. NO.	k	z	c	Re	Nu	f	$\epsilon$	$\phi$	$\eta$
1	3.5	1.25	0.1	15,000	74.94449	0.027896529	0.4049599	1.0255361	1.10463
2	3.25	1.25	0.1	15,000	76.19703	0.027941385	0.40768838	1.0120183	1.1171222
3	2.75	1.25	0.1	15,000	78.59604	0.027966946	0.4105916	1.0075738	1.1432143
4	2.5	1.25	0.1	15,000	79.68181	0.027993508	0.41275313	1.0064226	1.1568829
5	2.25	1.25	0.1	15,000	82.45161	0.028009633	0.41433546	1.0032004	1.1709807
6	1.5	1.25	0.1	15,000	80.6154	0.028029753	0.41603315	0.99071366	1.2137918
7	0.75	1.25	0.1	15,000	82.78461	0.02803702	0.41687986	0.979363	1.2509365
8	0.5	1.25	0.1	15,000	82.90505	0.028040016	0.41708946	0.9758411	1.2615612
9	3.5	1.25	0.1	30,000	105.9142	0.025163332	0.36211687	1.0652802	1.0604417
10	3.25	1.25	0.1	30,000	107.5696	0.025205487	0.3641713	1.0536784	1.0711048
11	2.75	1.25	0.1	30,000	110.5326	0.025275813	0.36620754	1.0494515	1.0930823
12	2.5	1.25	0.1	30,000	111.7336	0.025303954	0.36796233	1.0450904	1.1043295
13	2.25	1.25	0.1	30,000	112.7329	0.025304057	0.36903217	1.0313852	1.1157868
14	1.5	1.25	0.1	30,000	114.6386	0.025321627	0.3705678	1.0273325	1.1512022
15	0.75	1.25	0.1	30,000	114.8647	0.02532565	0.37125728	1.0175985	1.1816947
16	0.5	1.25	0.1	30,000	114.96	0.02534932	0.37137765	1.0132023	1.1904317
17	3.5	1.25	0.1	70,000	181.9311	0.02189166	0.26812845	1.0761287	1.0109086
18	3.25	1.25	0.1	70,000	183.4293	0.021941992	0.2694746	1.062348	1.0195662
19	2.75	1.25	0.1	70,000	185.9424	0.022034694	0.27199695	1.0591659	1.03712
20	2.5	1.25	0.1	70,000	186.9762	0.022077376	0.27290946	1.0426208	1.0461874
21	2.25	1.25	0.1	70,000	187.8639	0.022117933	0.27312136	1.03778	1.0554726
22	1.5	1.25	0.1	70,000	189.7114	0.0222286	0.27384406	1.0204102	1.083682
23	0.75	1.25	0.1	70,000	190.4456	0.022309408	0.27405784	1.0173815	1.0944406
24	0.5	1.25	0.1	70,000	190.7736	0.02232928	0.27524698	1.01518224	1.1138793

**Table A2.** Predicted result on  $Nu$ ,  $f$ ,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $\eta$  on generated data at maximum constant wave ration and groove depth ratio.

Sl. NO.	k	z	c	Re	Nu	f	$\epsilon$	$\phi$	$\eta$
1	3.5	3.25	0.28	15,000	99.14539	0.028423136	0.4412319	1.0314634	1.4302515
2	3.25	3.25	0.28	15,000	103.4187	0.028544364	0.44755915	1.0272819	1.4734231
3	2.75	3.25	0.28	15,000	112.17	0.028796984	0.4597498	1.0193182	1.5643141
4	2.5	3.25	0.28	15,000	116.6163	0.028929144	0.46559364	1.0155753	1.61111
5	2.25	3.25	0.28	15,000	121.1064	0.029065672	0.47125572	1.0119531	1.6580449
6	1.5	3.25	0.28	15,000	134.7615	0.02950341	0.48730618	1.001807	1.8017614
7	0.75	3.25	0.28	15,000	148.1541	0.02997667	0.5021809	0.9928295	1.9442455
8	0.5	3.25	0.28	15,000	152.4243	0.030142082	0.5065795	0.9901281	1.9921432
9	3.5	3.25	0.28	30,000	130.8634	0.02585634	0.399407	1.070381	1.271512
10	3.25	3.25	0.28	30,000	135.6421	0.025970906	0.4055745	1.0671426	1.2995856

Table A2. Cont.

Sl. NO.	k	z	c	Re	Nu	f	€	Φ	η
11	2.75	3.25	0.28	30,000	145.2435	0.026200473	0.41769168	1.060742	1.3594307
12	2.5	3.25	0.28	30,000	150.0174	0.026316453	0.42365086	1.0574657	1.391301
13	2.25	3.25	0.28	30,000	154.7254	0.026433293	0.4296502	1.0541134	1.424515
14	1.5	3.25	0.28	30,000	168.1773	0.02678757	0.4477441	1.0437487	1.5285946
15	0.75	3.25	0.28	30,000	180.5364	0.027143484	0.46519142	1.0331135	1.6262425
16	0.5	3.25	0.28	30,000	184.3489	0.027263673	0.47045577	1.0296415	1.6559497
17	3.5	3.25	0.28	70,000	205.4411	0.022758352	0.30190283	1.0865098	1.0828294
18	3.25	3.25	0.28	70,000	209.7859	0.022872882	0.30653584	1.0790627	1.1008663
19	2.75	3.25	0.28	70,000	218.1751	0.023103261	0.31605387	1.0767621	1.1384834
20	2.5	3.25	0.28	70,000	222.217	0.023218893	0.32094088	1.07392293	1.1582022
21	2.25	3.25	0.28	70,000	226.1546	0.023335073	0.32592186	1.0662208	1.1785398
22	1.5	3.25	0.28	70,000	237.2612	0.02368808	0.34142342	1.0608606	1.2429912
23	0.75	3.25	0.28	70,000	246.8087	0.024046663	0.3576844	1.0566078	1.308757
24	0.5	3.25	0.28	70,000	249.6042	0.02416103	0.36322233	1.0475805	1.330574

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