

# **Convection Heat Transfer From Tube Banks in Crossflow: Analytical Approach**

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## Introduction

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- ❖ Industrial applications:
  - Heat exchanger devices (like steam generators, preheaters, oil coolers, power condensers)
  - Process industry
  - Air conditioning and refrigeration industry
  
- ❖ Primary interest of thermal engineers:
  - Average heat transfer coefficient for the entire tube bundle

## Available Correlations (Single Cylinder)

| Authors                        | Correlations/ Models   | Conditions  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Churchill and Bernstein (1977) | $\text{Nu}_D = 0.3 + \frac{0.62\text{Re}_D^{1/2}\text{Pr}^{1/3}}{[1 + (0.4/\text{Pr})^{2/3}]^{1/4}} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\text{Re}_D}{282000} \right)^{5/8} \right]^{4/5}$  | $\text{Re}_D \text{Pr} > 0.2$   |
| Morgan(1975)                   | $\text{Nu}_D = 0.795\text{Re}_D^{0.384}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.583\text{Re}_D^{0.471}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.148\text{Re}_D^{0.633}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.0208\text{Re}_D^{0.814}$   | $4 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 40$<br>$40 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^3$<br>$4 \times 10^3 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^4$<br>$4 \times 10^4 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^5$                                |
| Zukauskas(1972)                | $\text{Nu}_D = 0.75\text{Re}_D^{0.4}\text{Pr}^{0.37}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.51\text{Re}_D^{0.5}\text{Pr}^{0.37}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.26\text{Re}_D^{0.6}\text{Pr}^{0.37}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.076\text{Re}_D^{0.7}\text{Pr}^{0.37}$ | $1 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 40$<br>$40 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 1 \times 10^3$<br>$1 \times 10^3 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 2 \times 10^5$<br>$2 \times 10^5 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 1 \times 10^6$                                |
| Hilpert (1933)                 | $\text{Nu}_D = 0.891\text{Re}_D^{0.33}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.821\text{Re}_D^{0.385}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.615\text{Re}_D^{0.466}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.174\text{Re}_D^{0.618}$ $\text{Nu}_D = 0.0239\text{Re}_D^{0.805}$             | $1 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4$<br>$4 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 40$<br>$40 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^3$<br>$4 \times 10^3 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^4$<br>$4 \times 10^4 \leq \text{Re}_D \leq 4 \times 10^5$ |

## Available Correlations (Tube Banks)

- **Zukauskas, 1972:**  $Nu_D = F C Re_D^n Pr^m$

**F = Correction factor for  $N_L \leq 16$**

| Geometry       | C    | n    | m    | Conditions                               |
|----------------|------|------|------|--|
| <b>In-Line</b> |      |      |      |  |
|                | 0.9  | 0.4  | 0.36 | $10 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 100$             |
|                | 0.52 | 0.5  | 0.36 | $100 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 10^3$           |
|                | 0.27 | 0.63 | 0.36 | $10^3 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 2 \times 10^5$ |
|                | 0.21 | 0.84 | 0.4  | $Re_{Dmax} > 2 \times 10^5$              |

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|------------------|-----------------------|------|------|---|
| <b>Staggered</b> |                       |      |      |   |
|                  | 1.04                  | 0.4  | 0.36 | $10 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 500$                              |
|                  | $0.35(S_T/S_L)^{0.2}$ | 0.60 | 0.36 | $S_T/S_L < 2$<br>$10^3 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 2 \times 10^5$ |
|                  | 0.40                  | 0.60 | 0.36 | $S_T/S_L > 2$<br>$10^3 \leq Re_{Dmax} \leq 2 \times 10^5$ |
|                  | 0.022                 | 0.84 | 0.36 | $Re_{Dmax} > 2 \times 10^5$                               |



## **Correction Factor F for $N_L \leq 16$**

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| <b>Rows</b>      | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 7    | 10   | 13   | 16   |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>In-Line</b>   | 0.70 | 0.80 | 0.86 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 |
| <b>Staggered</b> | 0.64 | 0.76 | 0.84 | 0.89 | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 |

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## Available Correlations (Tube Banks)

- **Grimison, 1937:**  $Nu_D = F C Re_D^n Pr^{1/3}$

**F = Correction factor for  $N_L \leq 10$**

| $S_T/D \rightarrow$<br>$S_L/D \downarrow$ | 1.25  |       | 1.5   |       | 2     |       | 3     |       |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|   | C     | n     | C     | n     | C     | n     | C     | n     |
| <b>Staggered</b>                          |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| 0.600                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | .213  | .636  |
| 0.900                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 0.446 | 0.571 | 0.401 | 0.581 |
| 1.000                                     | -     | -     | 0.497 | 0.558 | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| 1.125                                     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 0.478 | 0.565 | 0.518 | 0.560 |
| 1.25                                      | 0.518 | 0.556 | 0.505 | 0.554 | 0.519 | 0.556 | 0.522 | 0.562 |
| 1.5                                       | 0.451 | 0.568 | 0.460 | 0.562 | 0.452 | 0.568 | 0.488 | 0.568 |
| 2.000                                     | 0.404 | 0.572 | 0.416 | 0.568 | 0.482 | 0.556 | 0.449 | 0.570 |
| 3.000                                     | 0.310 | 0.592 | 0.356 | 0.580 | 0.440 | 0.562 | 0.421 | 0.574 |



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|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
|                     | C     | n     | C     | n     | C     | n     | C      | n     |
| $S_L/D \downarrow$  |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |
| <b>In-Line</b>      |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |
| 1.250               | 0.348 | 0.592 | 0.275 | 0.608 | 0.100 | 0.704 | 0.0633 | 0.752 |
| 1.500               | 0.367 | 0.586 | 0.250 | 0.620 | 0.101 | 0.762 | 0.0678 | 0.744 |
| 2.000               | 0.418 | 0.570 | 0.299 | 0.602 | 0.229 | 0.632 | 0.198  | 0.648 |
| 3.000               | 0.290 | 0.601 | 0.357 | 0.584 | 0.374 | 0.581 | 0.286  | 0.608 |



## Correction Factor F for $N_L \leq 10$

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| Rows→     | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    | 7    | 8    | 9    | 10   |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| In-Line   | 0.64 | 0.80 | 0.87 | 0.90 | 0.92 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 |
| Staggered | 0.68 | 0.75 | 0.83 | 0.89 | 0.92 | 0.95 | 0.97 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 |

## Objectives

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❖ Develop analytical correlations to determine heat transfer for :

- In-line tube banks
- Staggered tube banks

that can be used for a wide range of geometric parameters

❖ Validate developed correlations with experimental data

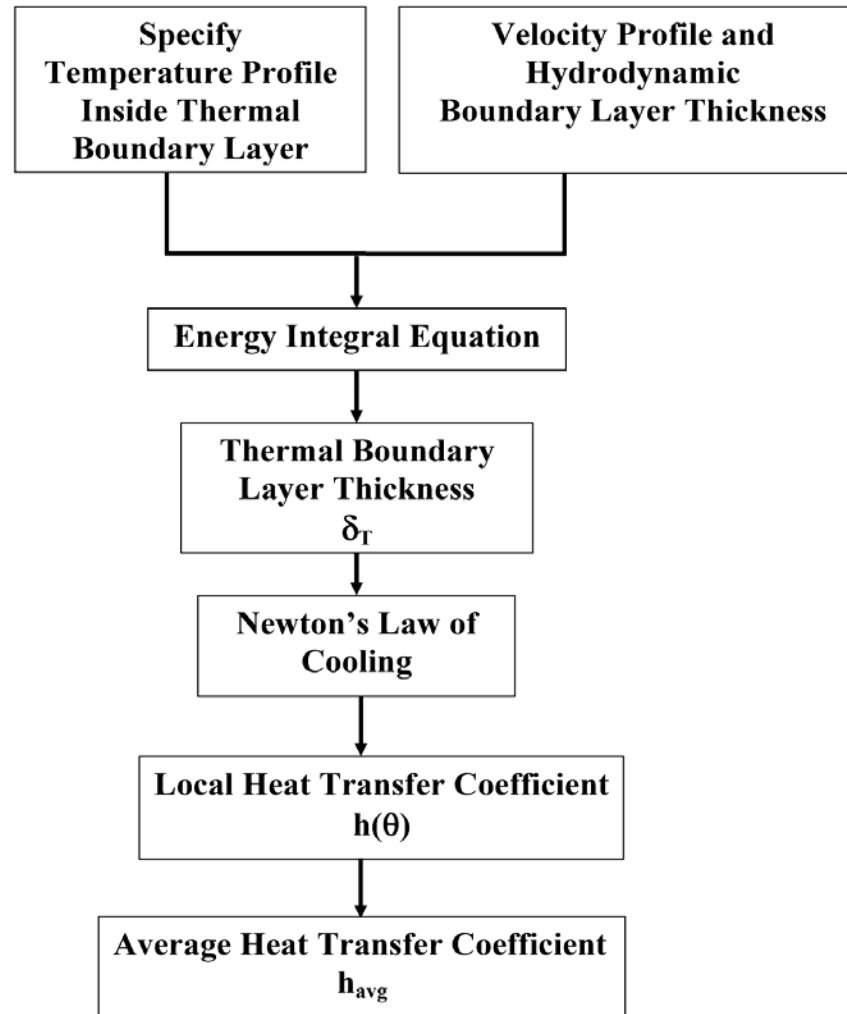
# Assumptions

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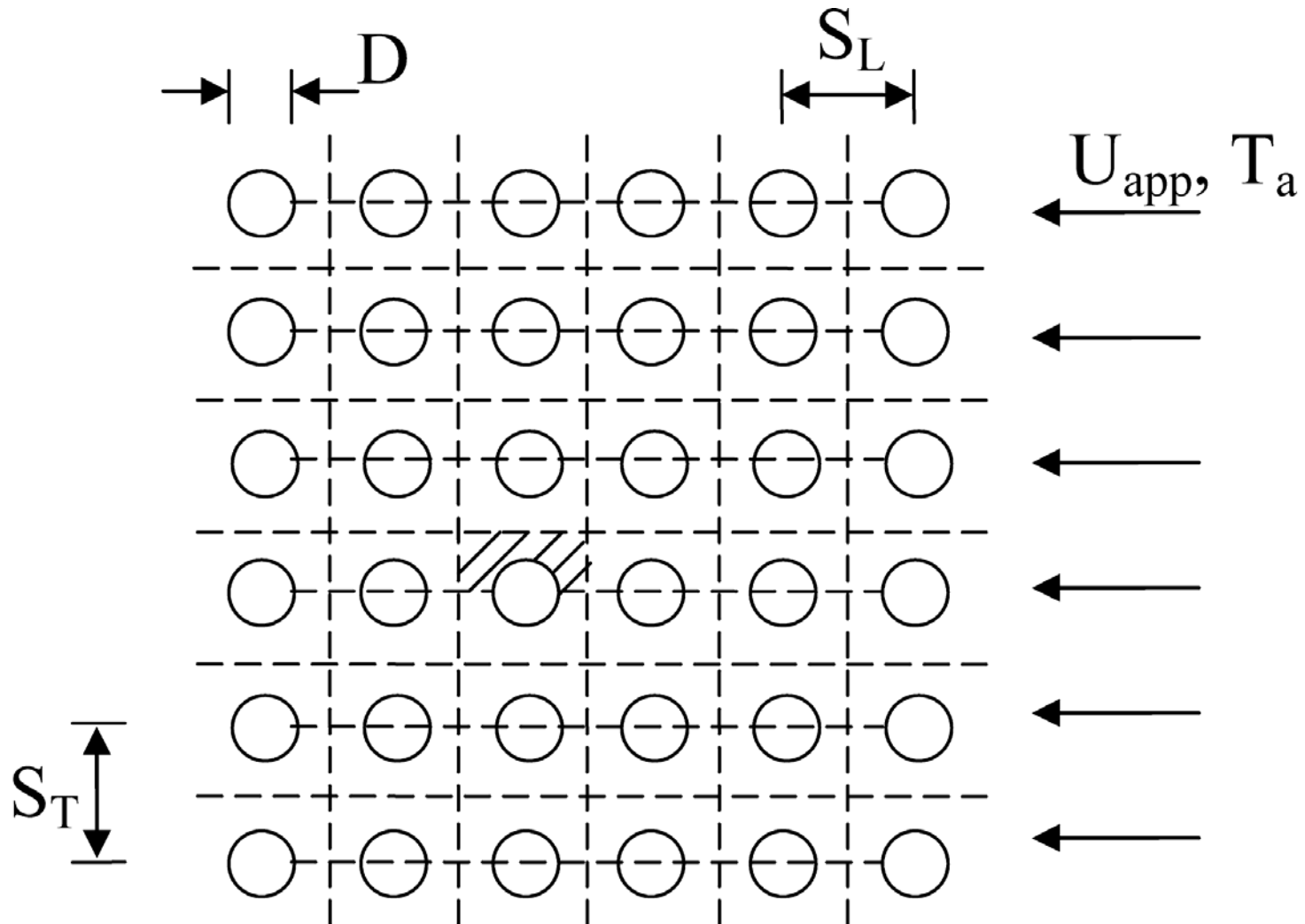
1. Forced Convection
2. Steady, laminar, fully developed and 2-D flow
3. Incompressible fluid with constant properties
4. Reynolds number is based on  $D$  and  $U_{\max}$
5. Inviscid flow outside boundary layer
6. Flow normal to tube bank

# Heat Transfer Model

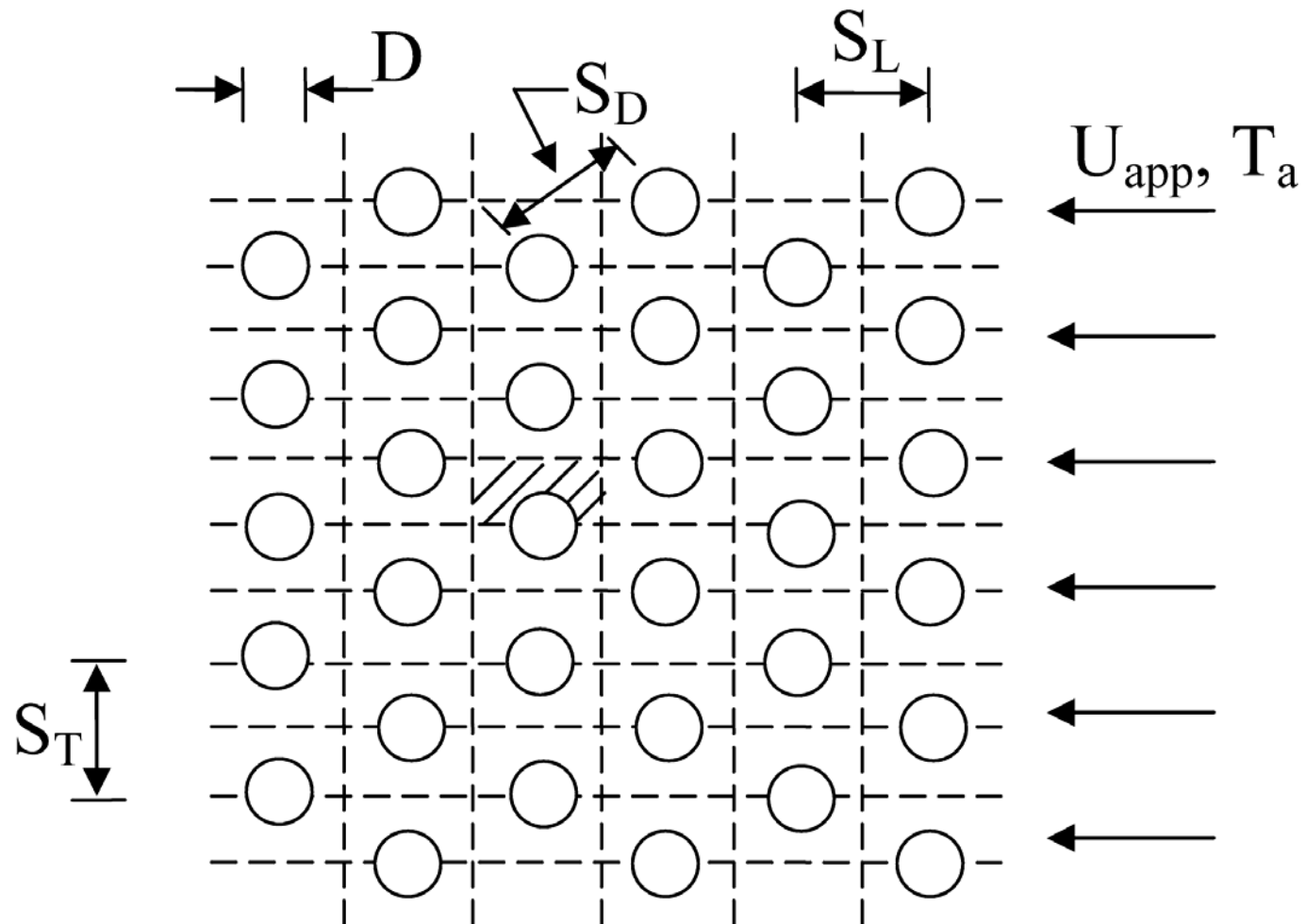
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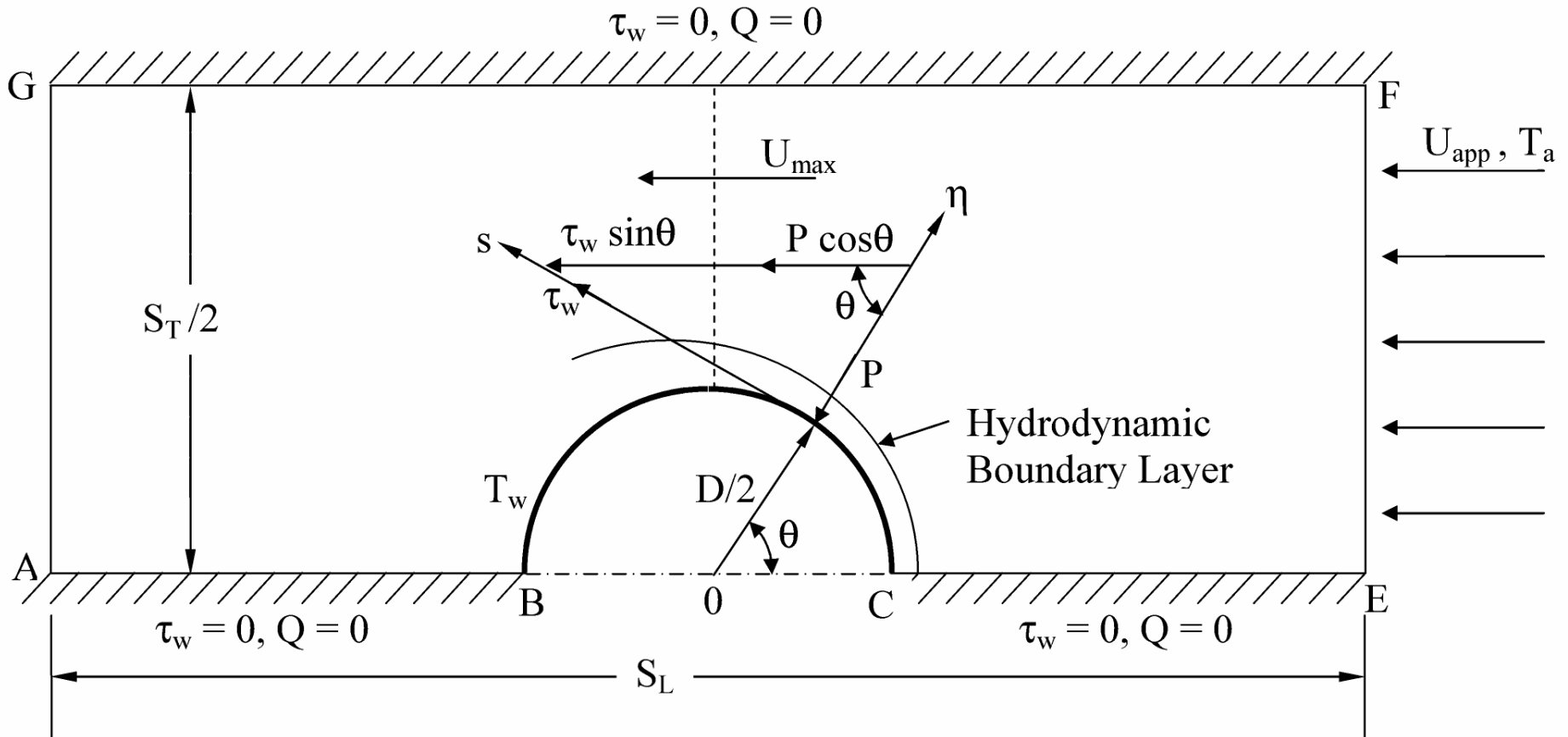
## In-Line Arrangement



# Staggered Arrangement



# Control Volume





# Boundary Conditions

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1. On curved surfaces of tubes:

$$u = 0 \quad v = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad T = T_w$$

2. Along top and bottom of CV:

$$v = 0 \quad \tau_w = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad Q = 0$$

3. At large distances upstream of CV:

$$u = U_{app} \quad \text{and} \quad T = T_a$$

4. Well downstream of tubes:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = 0$$

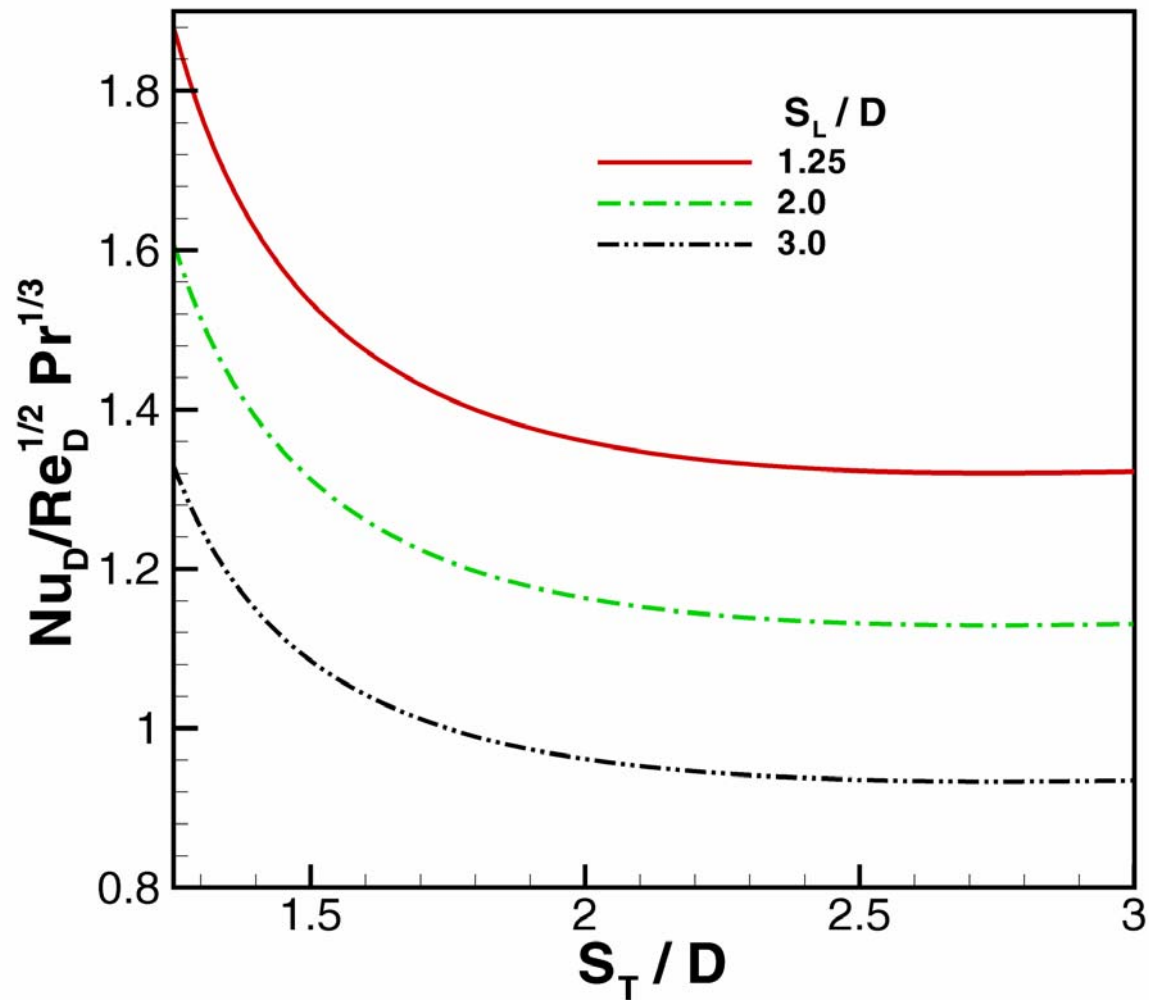
## Results

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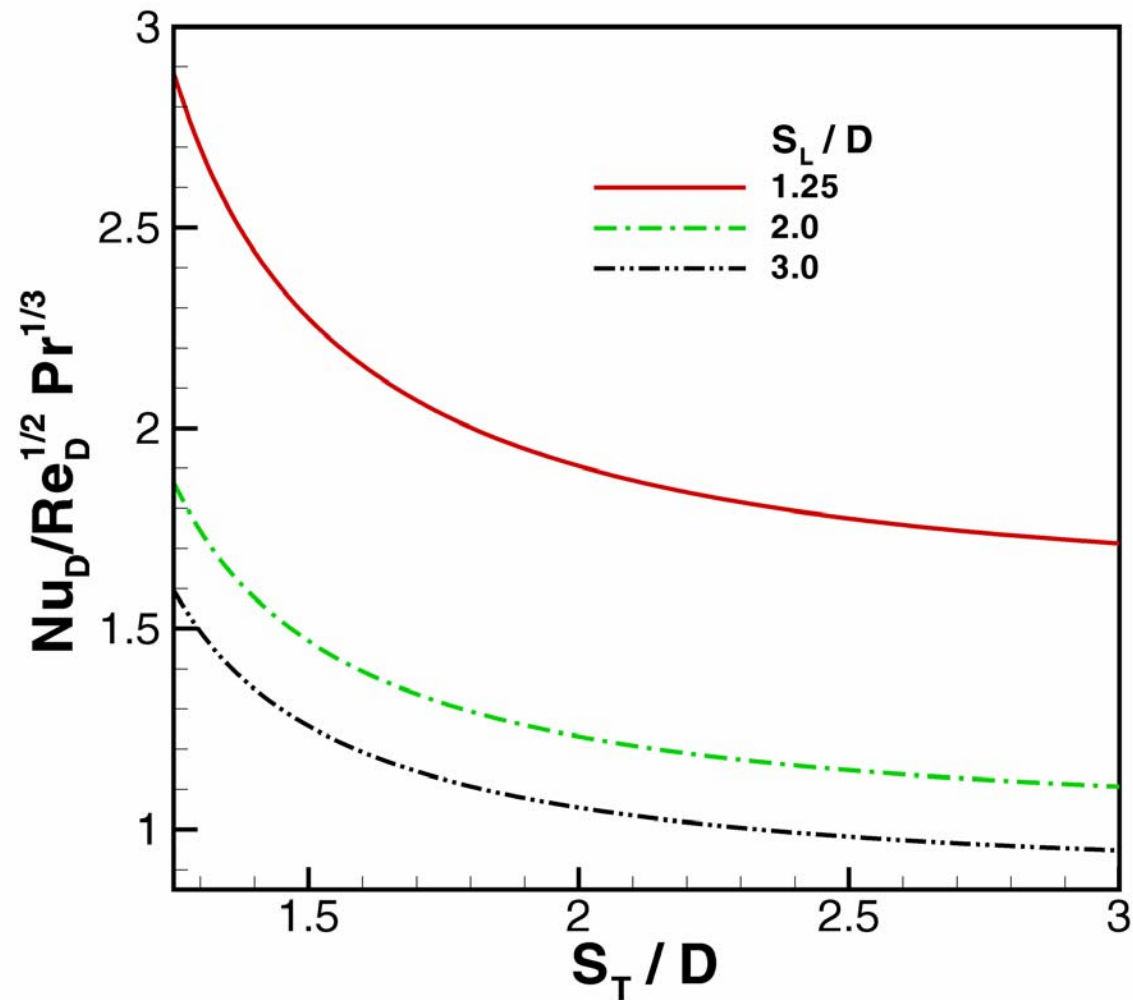
$$Nu_D = C_1 Re_D^{1/2} Pr^{1/3}$$

$$C_1 = \begin{cases} [0.2 + \exp(-0.55\mathcal{S}_T)] \mathcal{S}_T^{0.285} \mathcal{S}_L^{0.212} & \text{In-Line arrangement} \\ \frac{0.61 \mathcal{S}_T^{0.091} \mathcal{S}_L^{0.053}}{[1 - 2 \exp(-1.09 \mathcal{S}_T)]} & \text{Staggered arrangement} \end{cases}$$

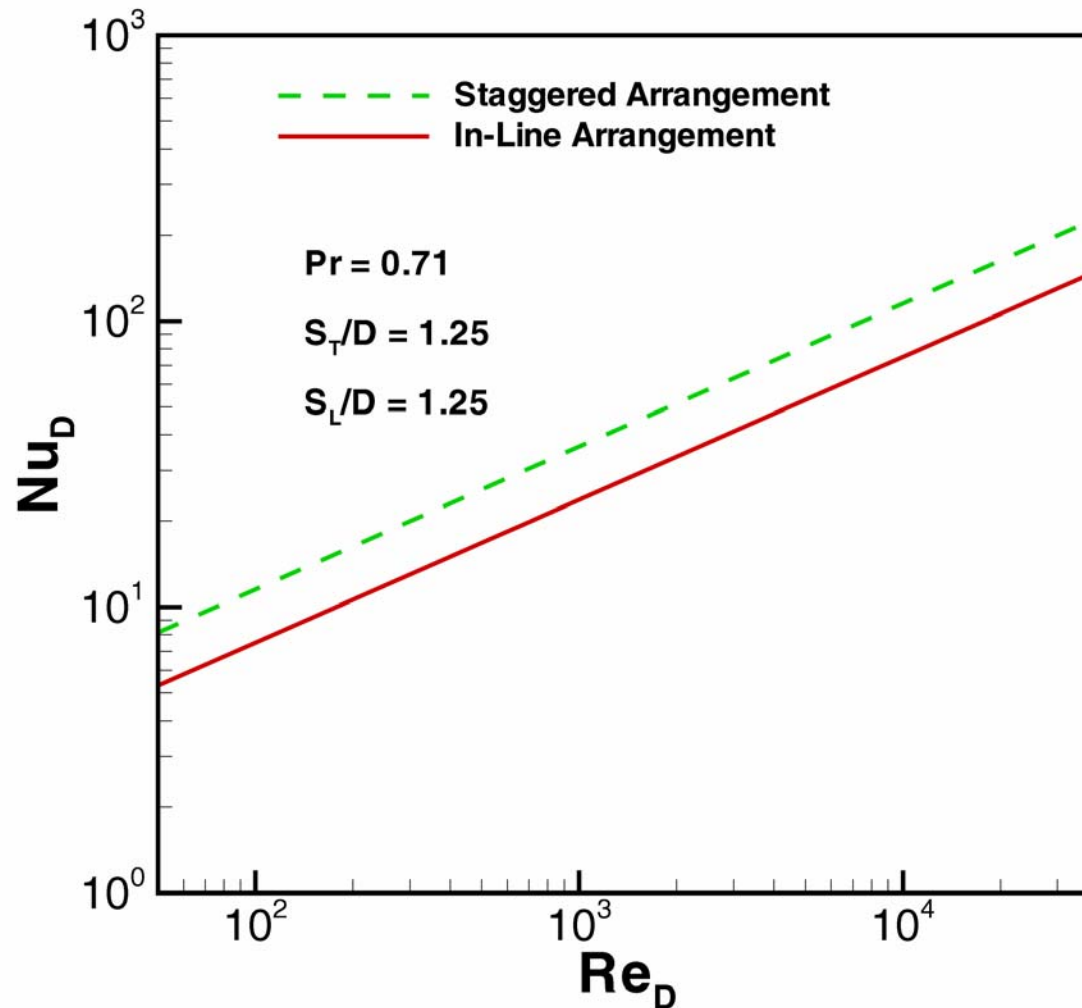
## HTP with $S_T$ (In-Line Arrangement)



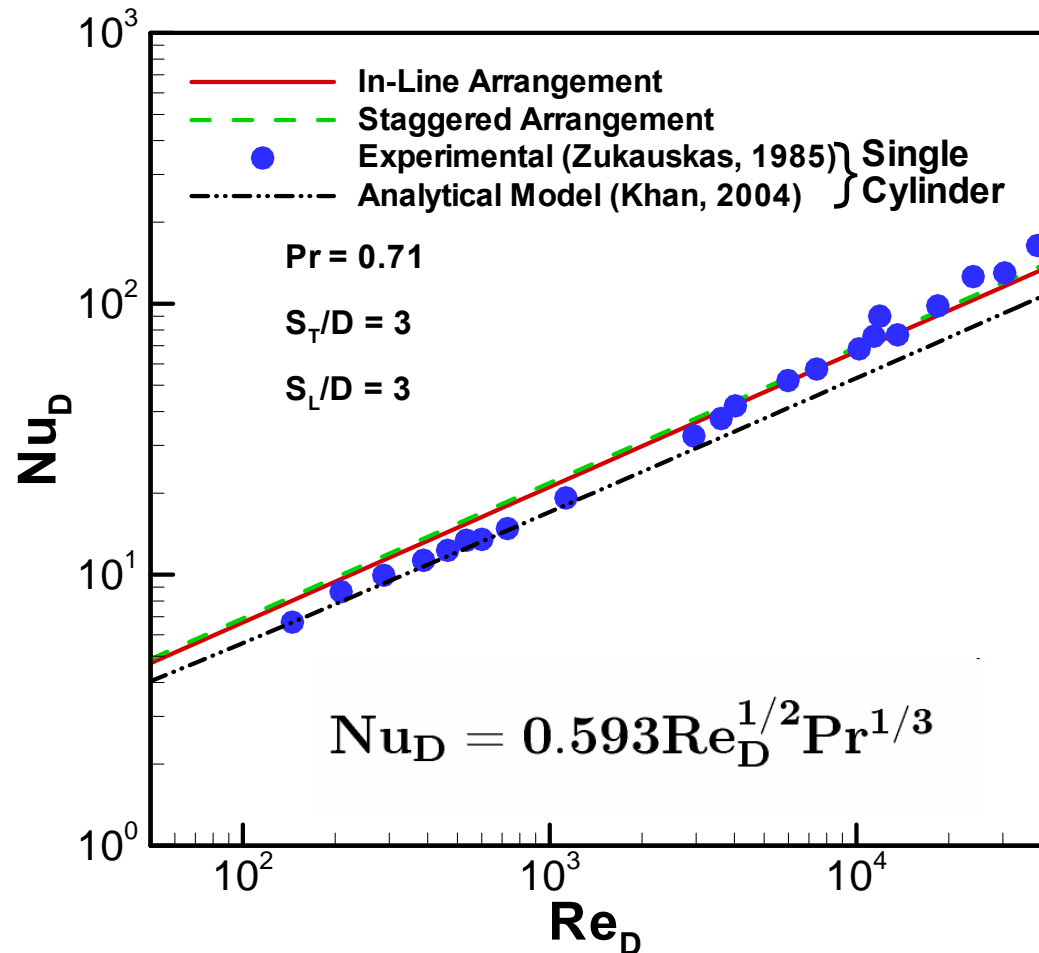
## HTP with $S_T$ (Staggered Arrangement)



## Effect of Tube Arrangement (1.25 x 1.25)



## Effect of Tube Arrangement (3.0 x 3.0)





## Staggered Tube Bank (Incropera and DeWitt)

| Quantity                                       | Dimension              |
|--|------------------------|
| Tube Diameter ( <i>mm</i> )                    | 16.4                   |
| Longitudinal Pitch ( <i>mm</i> )               | 20.5, 34.3             |
| Transverse Pitch ( <i>mm</i> )                 | 20.5, 31.3             |
| Number of Tubes (Staggered)                    | $8 \times 7$           |
| Approach Velocity ( <i>m/s</i> )               | 6                      |
| Thermal Conductivity of Air ( <i>W/m · K</i> ) | 0.0253                 |
| Density of Air ( <i>kg/m<sup>3</sup></i> )     | 1.217                  |
| Specific Heat of Air ( <i>J/kg · K</i> )       | 1007                   |
| Kinematic Viscosity ( <i>m<sup>2</sup>/s</i> ) | $14.82 \times 10^{-6}$ |
| Prandtl Number (Air)                           | 0.701                  |
| Ambient Temperature ( <i>°C</i> )              | 15                     |
| Tube Surface Temperature ( <i>°C</i> )         | 70                     |

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## Comparisons

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### (i) Compact Tube Bank (1.25 x 1.25)

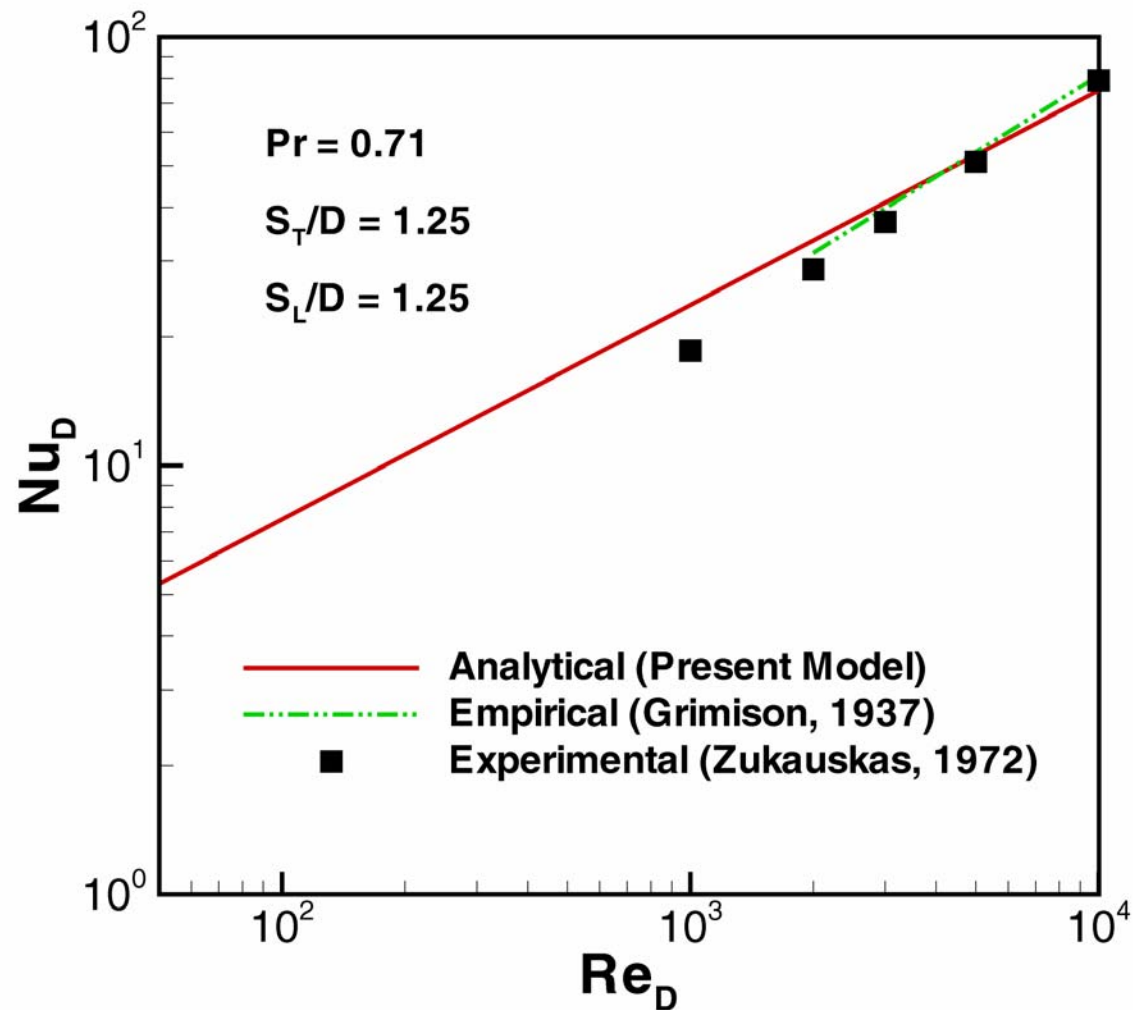
|                                    | $NuD$ | $h$<br>( $W/m^2 \cdot K$ ) | $T_o$<br>$^{\circ}C$ | $Q$<br>$kW$ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Incropera and DeWitt <sup>30</sup> | 152.0 | 234.0                      | 38.5                 | 28.4        |
| Present Analysis                   | 196.1 | 302.5                      | 43.3                 | 34.1        |

### (ii) Wide Tube Bank (2.1 x 2.1)

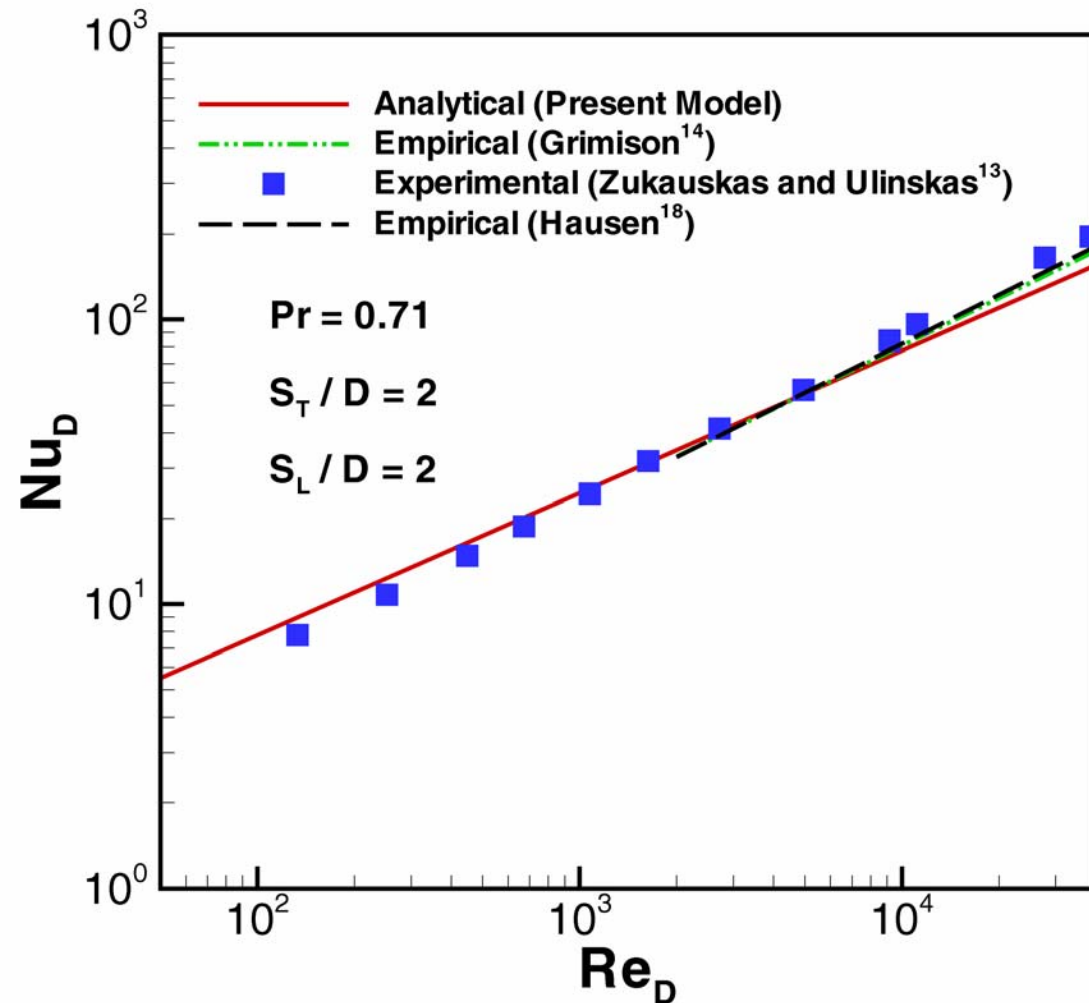
|                                    | $NuD$ | $h$<br>( $W/m^2 \cdot K$ ) | $T_o$<br>$^{\circ}C$ | $Q$<br>$kW$ |
|------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Incropera and DeWitt <sup>30</sup> | 87.9  | 135.6                      | 25.5                 | 19.4        |
| Present Analysis                   | 88.3  | 136.2                      | 26.9                 | 19.2        |



## $Nu_D$ vs. $Re_D$ (In-Line Arrangement)



# $Nu_D$ vs. $Re_D$ (Staggered Arrangement)



## **Summary and Conclusions**

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Comparisons show that higher heat transfer rates are obtained from:

- compact tube banks (any arrangement)
- staggered arrangement (any spacing)

Both In-Line and Staggered models are:

- applicable over a wide range of parameters
- suitable for use in design of tube banks

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