

# Numerical Simulation on Forced Convection Cooling of Horizontal Ionic Wind with Multi-electrodes

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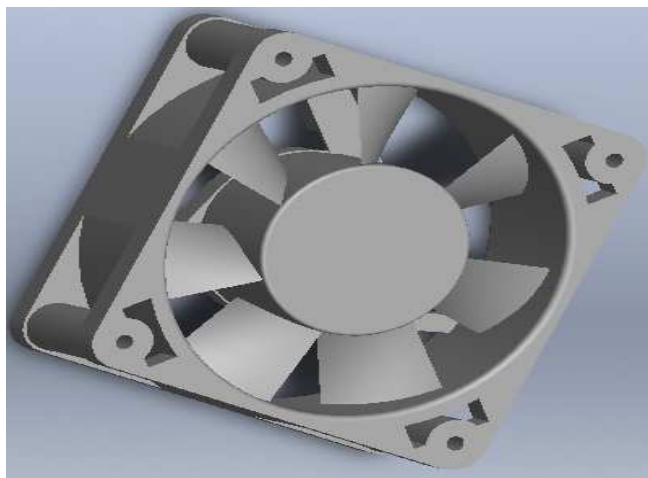
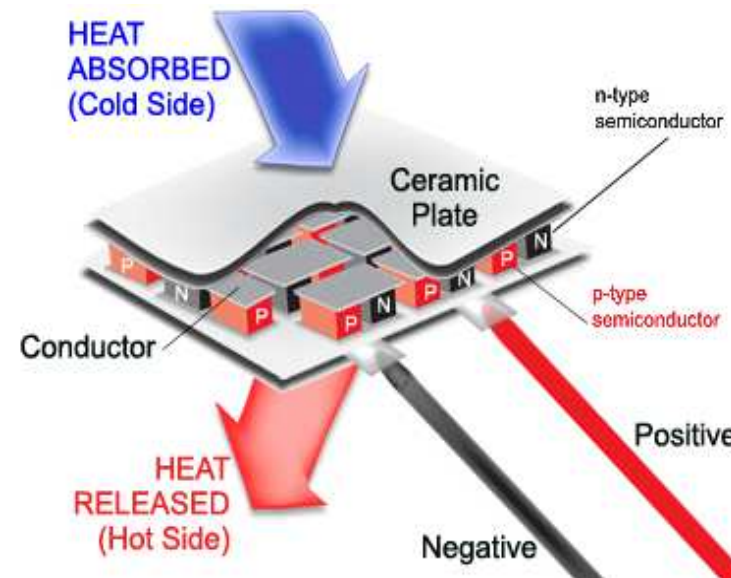
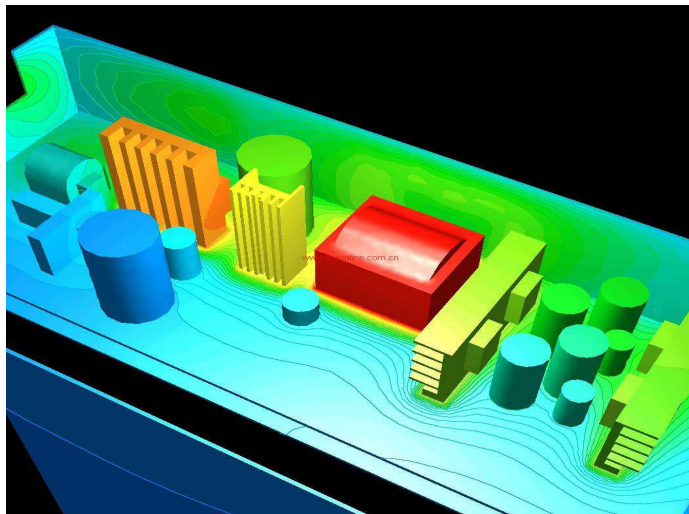
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# Introduction



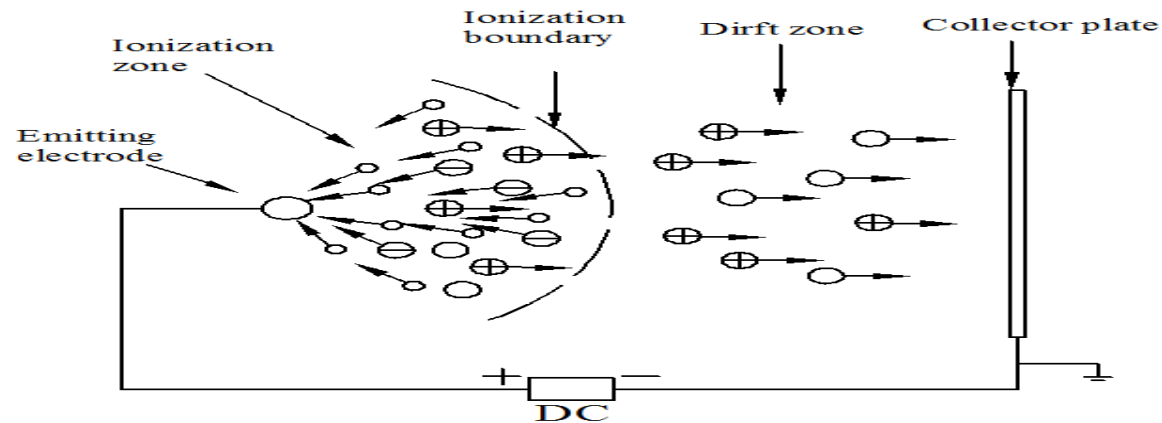
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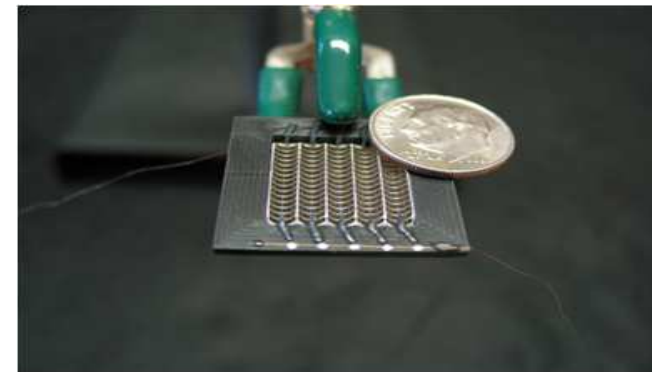
# Introduction



## Principle of Ionic wind



- No moving part and silent
- Simple structure
- High heat transfer rate



RSD5 Solid-state Fan

$$u_{\max}=2.4\text{m/s}$$



# Mathematical Model



## Assumption:

- Stable corona discharge process is obtained
- Ignore the influence of the dust
- Ignore the magnetic field generated by ionization
- Ignore the reactions during ionization process
- Flow is under steady condition
- Pressure of the environment is set at one atmosphere pressure



# Mathematical Model



## Governing Equations

1. Poisson's equation:

$$\nabla^2 \varphi = \frac{\rho_e}{\varepsilon}$$

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla \varphi$$

$\varphi$ -- electrical potential, V

$\rho_e$ -- space charge density, C/m<sup>3</sup>

$\varepsilon$ -- dielectric permittivity of vacuum

$\vec{E}$ -- electrical field density, V/m

2. Current continuity equation:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$$

$$\vec{J} = \mu_e \rho_e \vec{E} - D \nabla \rho_e$$

$\vec{J}$ -- current density, A/m<sup>2</sup>

$\mu_e$ -- ions mobility, m<sup>2</sup>/(V·s)

$D$ -- diffusivity coefficient of ions, m<sup>2</sup>/(V·s)



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## 3. Navier-Stokes equations and continuity equation:

$$\rho_a \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \vec{u} = \mu \nabla^2 \vec{u} - \nabla p + \vec{F}_e$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\rho_a \vec{u}) = 0$$

$$\vec{F}_e = \rho_e \vec{E}$$

## 4. Energy equation:

$$\rho_a C_p \vec{u} \cdot \nabla T = k \nabla^2 T + \mu_e \rho_e E^2$$



Joule heating

$\rho_a$ -- density of air, kg/m<sup>3</sup>

$\mathbf{u}$ -- velocity of air, m/s

$\mu$ -- dynamic viscosity of air, kg/(m·s)

$p$ -- pressure, Pa

$\mathbf{F}_e$ -- volume force, N

$C_p$ -- isobaric specific heat capacity of air, J/(kg·K)

$k$ -- thermal conductivity of air, W/(m·K)

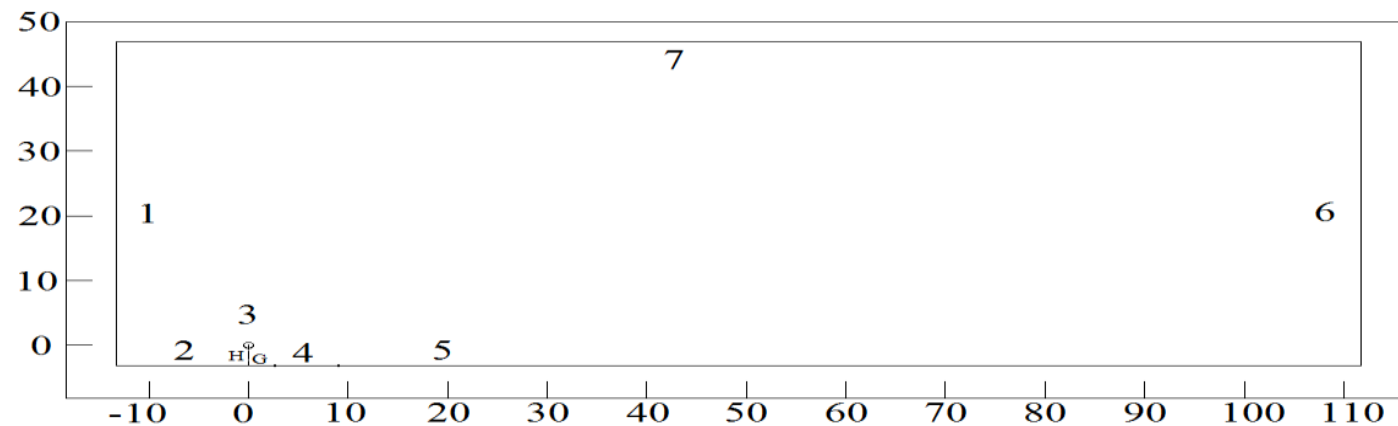
$T$ -- temperature of the air, K



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## Simulation domain of the ionic wind



1-- flow inlet; 2,4,5-- heated plate; 3-- emitter electrode; 4-- collector plate; 6-- flow outlet.

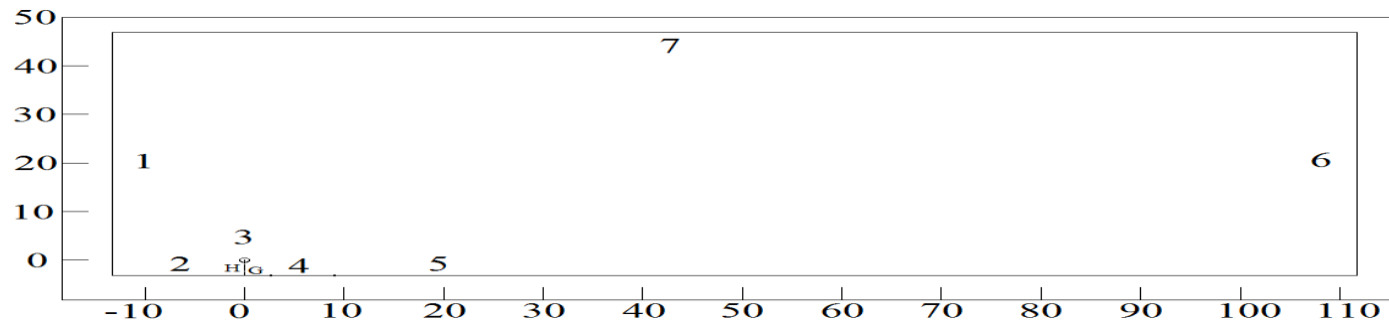
$$\begin{aligned} L &= 125 \text{ mm} & H &= 3.15 \text{ mm} \\ G &= 2 \text{ mm} & R_{\text{emitter}} &= 50 \text{ } \mu\text{m} \end{aligned}$$





# Mathematical Model

## Boundary condition



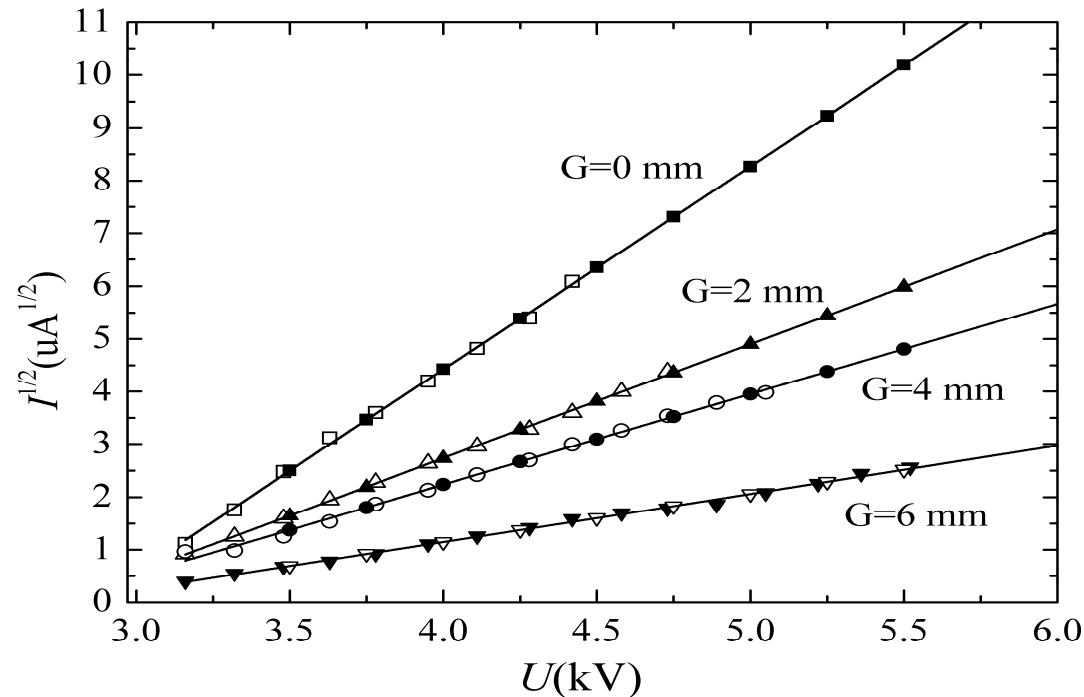
Boundary	Electric field	Charge Transport	Fluid dynamics	Heat transfer
1	Absorbing boundary condition	Zero flux	$u=u_0$	$T=T_{amb}$
2	Absorbing boundary condition	Zero flux	Wall, no slip	$T=T_{plate}$
3	$\varphi=U_0$	$\rho_e=\rho_0$	Wall, no slip	Adiabatic
4	$\varphi=0$	Zero flux	Wall, no slip	$T=T_{plate}$
5	Absorbing boundary condition	Zero flux	Wall, no slip	$T=T_{plate}$
6	Absorbing boundary condition	Zero flux	$P_{out}=0$	
7	Absorbing boundary condition	Zero flux	Symmetric	



# Results



## Validation



Solid-- experiment  
Hollow-- simulation

## V-I characteristics of ionic wind

Go D.B., *et al.* Enhancement of external forced convection by ionic wind.  
*International Journal of Heat & Mass Transfer*, 51(25–26) , 6047-6053.

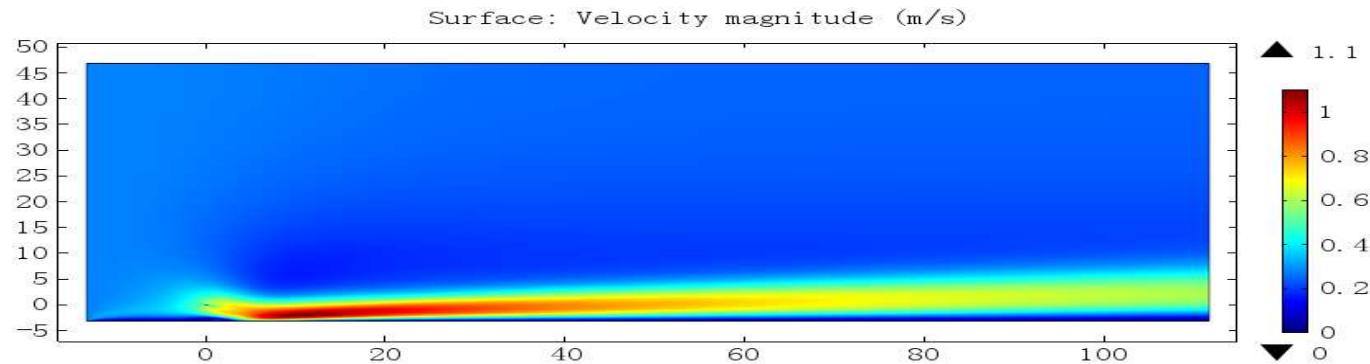


# Results



## Horizon ionic wind with single emitter electrode

$$G=2 \text{ mm}, U_0=4.50 \text{ kV}, T_{plate}=343.15 \text{ K}, u_0=0.28\text{m/s}$$



Flow field of the single electrode ionic wind

$$h = \frac{Q}{A(T_{plate} - T_{amb})}$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{(h_{bulk+ionic} - h_{bulk})}{h_{bulk}} \times 100$$

$$h = 33.74 \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})$$

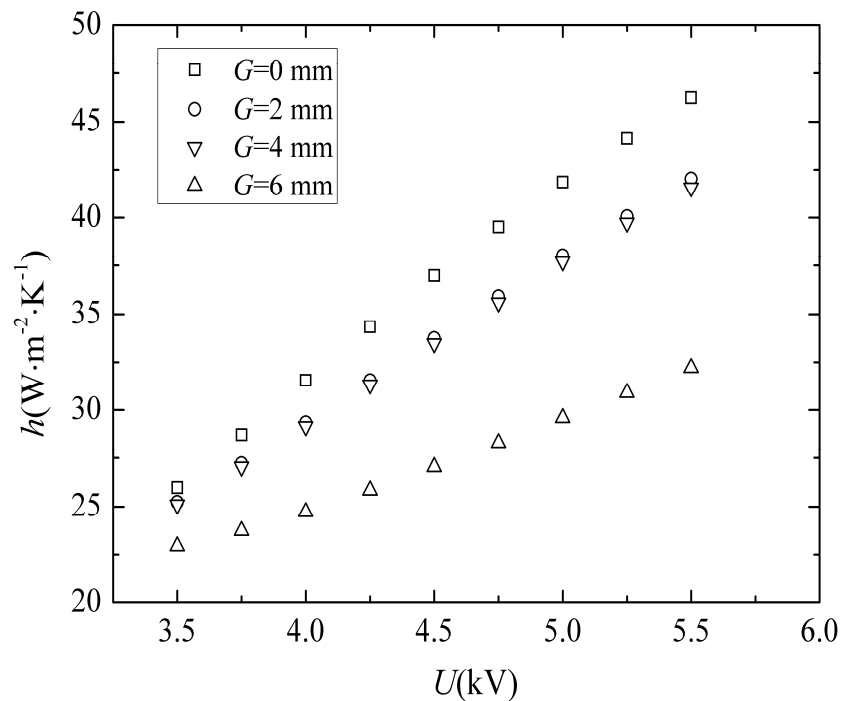
$$\Gamma = 50 \%$$



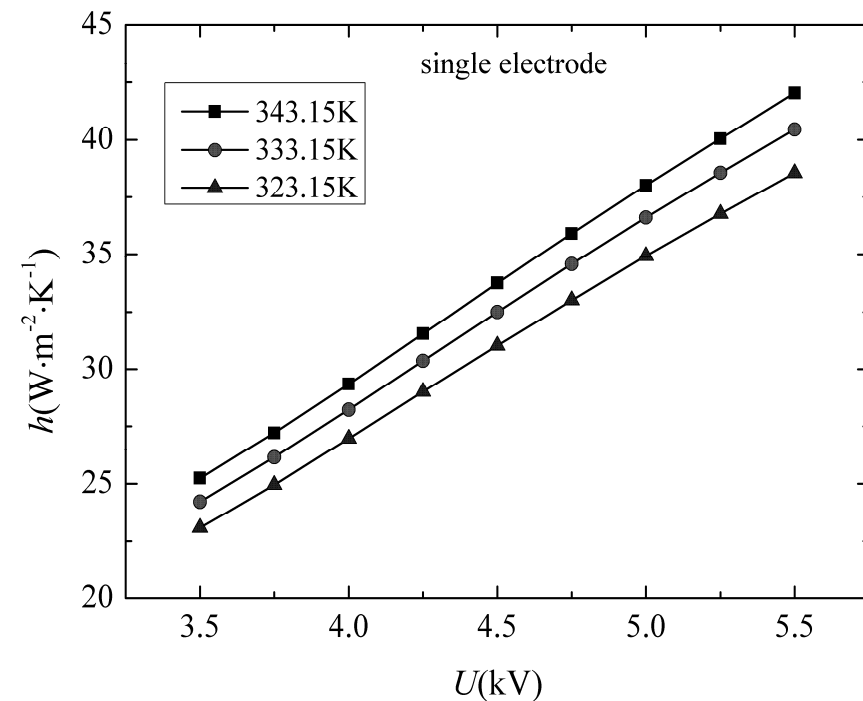
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## Horizon ionic wind with single emitter electrode



Heat transfer coefficient at different  $G$



Heat transfer coefficient at different  $T_{plate}$

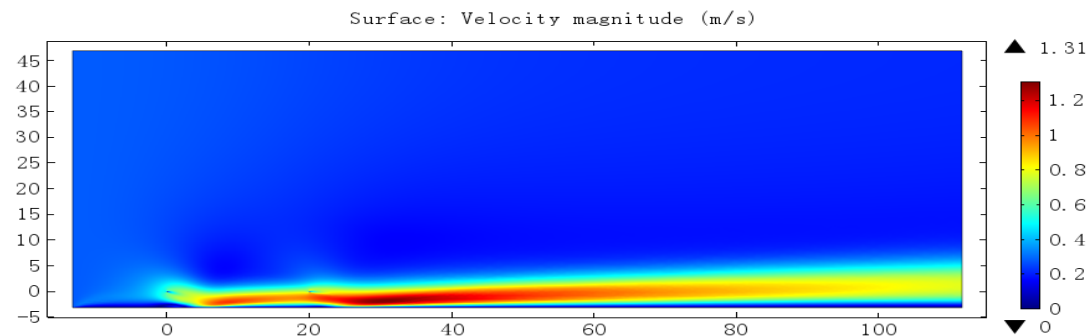


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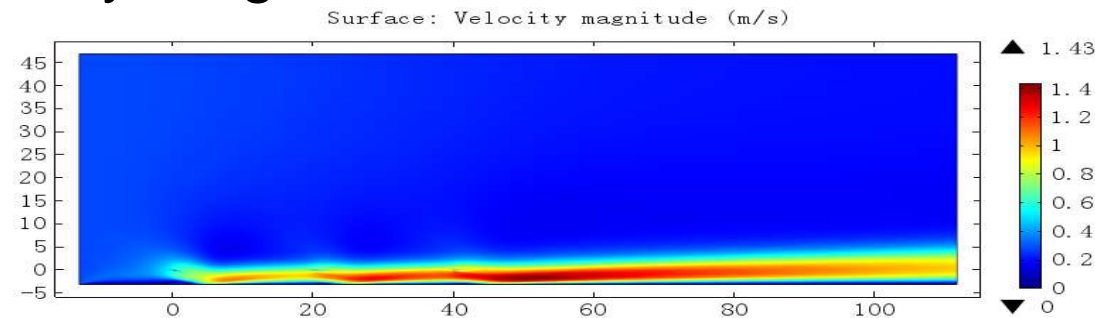


## Horizon ionic wind with multi-emitter electrode

$G=2 \text{ mm}$ ,  $U_0=4.50 \text{ kV}$ ,  $T_{plate}=343.15 \text{ K}$ ,  $u_0=0.28\text{m/s}$ .  $d=20 \text{ mm}$



## Velocity magnitude of ionic wind with two emitters



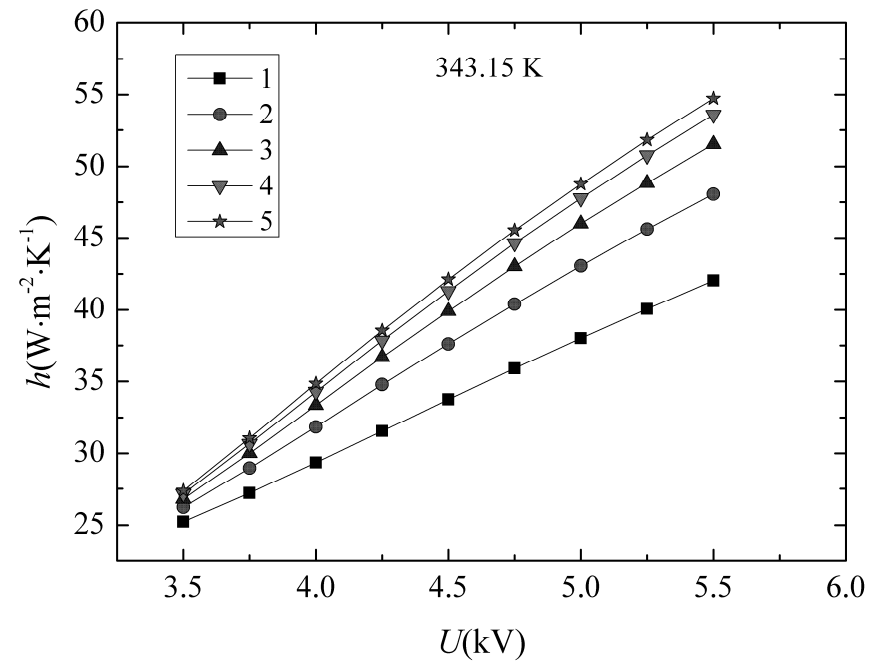
## Velocity magnitude of ionic wind with three emitters



# Results



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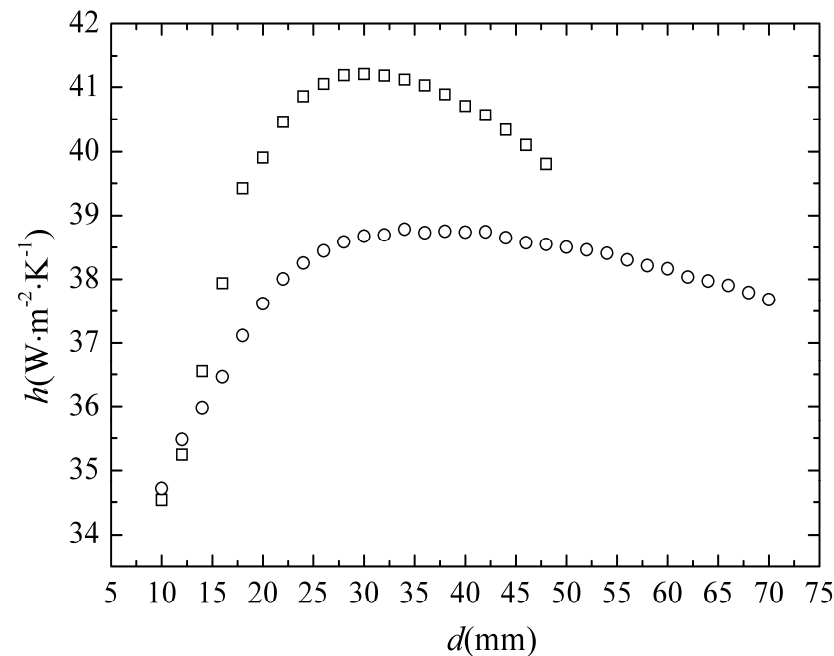
Influences of the electrode numbers on force convection



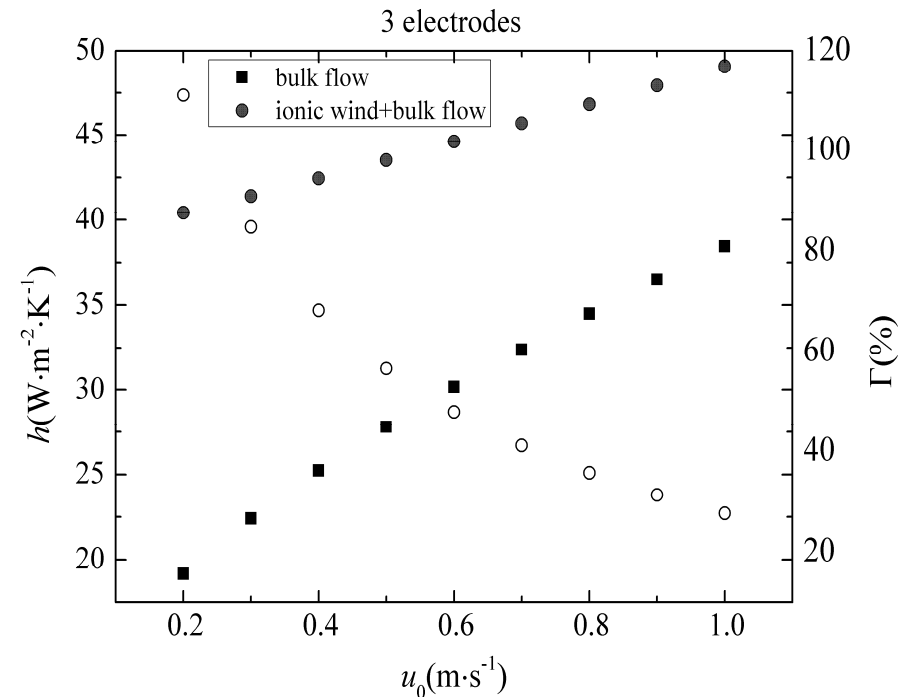
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## Horizon ionic wind with multi-emitter electrode



Heat transfer coefficient at different  $d$



Effect of the inlet velocity of bulk flow  $u_0$



## Cooling effectiveness

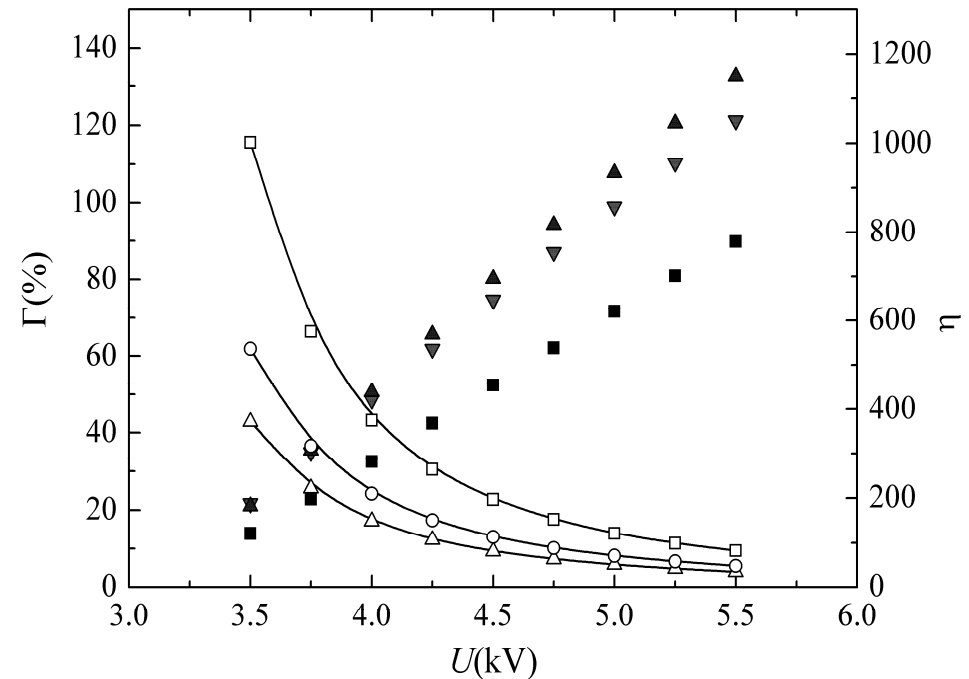
$$\eta = \frac{Q}{IU}$$

$I$ -- total current of ionic wind, A

$U$ -- input voltage, V

$Q$ -- heat, W

$\eta$ -- cooling Effectiveness



Percentage improvement and cooling effectiveness of the horizon ionic wind





# Conclusion



- Heat transfer increases with the increase of the applied voltage and the decrease of the horizon gap  $G$ .
- Multiple emitter electrodes configuration predicts higher performance in terms of heat transfer coefficient than that of the single emitter electrode, and an maximum enhancement of average heat transfer coefficient around 140 % is obtained
- Better enhancement in heat transfer is happen at low bulk flow.
- An optimal distance between the emitter electrodes may existed to obtained the highest heat transfer coefficient
- Cooling effectiveness of the multiple emitter electrodes is relatively low



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Thank you for your attention.  
Questions?