


Melting aspects in flow of second grade nanomaterial with homogeneous–heterogeneous reactions and irreversibility phenomenon: A residual error analysis

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Abstract

Here, we scrutinize the entropy analysis in magnetohydrodynamic flow of second-grade nanomaterials with melting effect subject to stretchable bended surface. Heat attribution is modeled through first law of thermodynamics with radiation effect. Major physical effect of random and thermophoretic motion is also addressed. Feature of irreversibility (entropy rate) analysis is also discussed. Isothermal cubic autocatalyses chemical reaction at catalytic surface is discussed. Nonlinear dimensionless differential system is developed through adequate transformation. Optimal homeotypic analysis method (OHAM) is employed to construct convergent solution. Influence of physical variables on entropy rate, fluid flow, concentration, and thermal field is discussed. An augmentation in fluid flow is noticed through curvature variable, while reverse effect holds for magnetic variable. A reverse effect holds for fluid flow and thermal field through melting variable. Entropy analysis is augmented with variation in melting variable. Reduction occurs in concentration through thermophoretic variable, while an opposite effect holds for thermal field. An increment in melting variable leads to reduced concentration. Larger estimation of radiation variable improves entropy analysis.

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Keywords

Second-grade fluid, curved stretching surface, melting heat, thermal radiation, brownian diffusion thermophoresis, entropy generation, heat generation/absorption and homogeneous and heterogeneous chemical reactions

Introduction

It is known fact that melting phenomenon plays a vital role in various industrial and engineering applications. Melting phenomenon is sufficiently utilized in welding process, heat engines, permafrost melting, semiconductor material processing, coil exchangers, magma solidification, and many others. Melting phenomenon was first studied by Robert.¹ He considered a slab of ice and investigated its melting process when in contact with hot stream air. Hayat et al.² explored the effects of melting heat transfer in magnetohydrodynamic non-Newtonian Oldroyd-B fluid with variable thickness due to stretching surface. They achieved convergent series solutions by utilizing homotopic technique. Das³ considered thermal radiation effects while exploring melting phenomenon in magnetohydrodynamic boundary layer flow due to moving surface. Khan et al.⁴ discussed the melting effect in dissipative flow of nanomaterials with entropy analysis toward a stretchable surface. Further investigations of melting phenomenon are illustrated in Refs.⁵⁻¹⁰

Fluids as carriers are used in a variety of heat transfer equipment. The efficiency of these devices can be improved by enhancing the thermal conductivity of fluids. It is done by adding small nanosize particles in base fluid. This idea was initially revealed by Choi et al.^{11,12} Due to superior thermal properties, nanofluids have numerous applications in heat transfer related devices, boiling heat transfer, solar thermal systems, convective heat transfer as well as condensation and evaporation.¹³ Nanofluids with stable suspension of nanoparticles in base fluid have a great prospect to meet the modern requirements of innovative thermal, industrial, and cooling technology.¹⁴ Buongiorno¹⁵ gives accomplished advanced concept on nanomaterials heat conduction augmentation. A comprehensive analysis on challenges, opportunities, synthesis, and stability of nanofluids is performed by Urmia et al.¹⁶ Reddy and Makinde¹⁷ examined buoyancy forces, thermophoretic, and Brownian motion for magnetohydrodynamic nanofluid flow in an asymmetric channel. Nonlinear mixed convection, thermo diffusion, and diffusion thermo effects in nanofluid flow are addressed by Hayat et al.¹⁸ Irreversibility analysis in radiative flow of second-grade nanomaterials with Lorentz force and radiation effect subject to stretched sheet is performed by Hayat et al.¹⁹ Some recent developments in nanofluids are given in Refs.²⁰⁻²⁵

Entropy generation is used to determine the performance of various isolated thermal systems in manufacturing, engineering, refrigerators, thermal transportation phenomenon, hybrid-powered engines, industrial, and various biological processes. Entropy production occurs due to fluids friction, Joule heating, diffusion, friction of solid surfaces, electric resistance, molecules vibration, unstained expansion chemical reaction, thermal resistance to the liquid flow, etc. Entropy minimization is used to augment of any thermal system performance. Bejan^{26,27} gives the concept of entropy minimization in convective fluid flow. Kumar et al.²⁸ discussed irreversibility investigation in magnetohydrodynamic incompressible flow of Williamson nanoliquid. Irreversibility in reactive magnetohydrodynamic couple stress liquid flow through a saturated permeable channel is illustrated by Hassan.²⁹ Few recent investigations about irreversibility (entropy rate) analysis are highlighted in Refs.³⁰⁻⁴⁰

Motivated from above-mentioned studies and the numerous industrial applications of the recent problem, it is main interest in this exploration to discuss the melting effect in hydromagnetic flow of second-grade nanofluid with entropy analysis by a stretchable curved surface. Heat equation is scrutinized through first law of thermodynamics with radiation effect. Random and thermophoresis

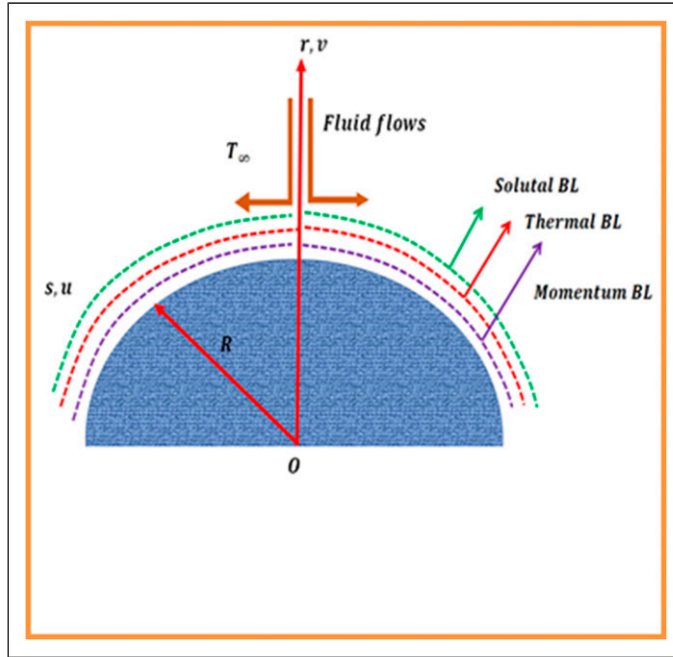


Figure 1. Flow sketch.

motion are considered. Features of entropy generation are addressed. Homogeneous–heterogeneous chemical reactions are considered at catalytic surface. By employing similarity variables, we get dimensionless ordinary differential system. Optimal homotopic analysis technique (OHAM) is implemented to develop convergent solution.^{41–45} Influence of fluid flow, entropy generation, thermal field, and concentration against physical parameters are graphically discussed.

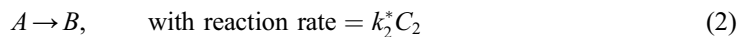
Statement

Two-dimensional hydromagnetic flow of an incompressible second-grade nanomaterial with melting effect is addressed. Heat equation is developed through first law of thermodynamics with thermal radiation. Brownian motion and thermophoretic effects are considered. Entropy features are also considered. Furthermore, homogeneous–heterogeneous chemical reactions are considered at catalytic surface. Magnetic force of strength (B_0) is implemented. Suppose that $u_w = as$ the stretching velocity with rate constant ($a > 0$). [Figure 1](#) shows the physical flow diagram.

Isothermal cubic autocatalytic reactions satisfy^{46–49}



First-order chemical reaction is given as



Under above assumption, the governing equation becomes^{50–52}

$$(r + R) \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + v + R \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{u^2}{r+R} + \frac{1}{\rho_f} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = 0, \quad (4)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} v \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{uR}{r+R} \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + \frac{uv}{r+R} &= -\frac{1}{\rho_f} \frac{R}{r+R} \frac{\partial p}{\partial s} + v_f \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{(r+R)} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{u}{(r+R)^2} \right) \\ + \frac{\alpha_1^*}{\rho_f} \left(\frac{2R}{(r+R)} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} - \frac{2R}{(r+R)^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + \frac{2}{(r+R)} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{2}{(r+R)} v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2}{(r+R)} v \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{4R}{(r+R)^2} u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r \partial s} - \frac{4R}{(r+R)^2} u \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{2R}{(r+R)^3} u \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} \right) - \frac{\sigma_f B_0^2 u}{\rho_f} \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (5)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} v \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{uR}{r+R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial s} &= \left(\frac{k}{(\rho c_p)_f} + \frac{16\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{3k^*(\rho c_p)_f} \right) \left(\frac{1}{r+R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} \right) \\ + \tau \left(D_{C_1} \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{D_T}{T_\infty} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right)^2 + D_{C_2} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) &+ \frac{Q_0}{(\rho c_p)_f} (T - T_\infty) \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (6)$$

$$v \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} + \frac{uR}{r+R} \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial s} = D_{C_1} \left(\frac{1}{r+R} \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 C_1}{\partial r^2} \right) + \frac{D_T}{T_\infty} \left(\frac{1}{r+R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} \right) - k_1^* C_1 C_2^2, \quad (7)$$

$$v \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} + \frac{uR}{r+R} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial s} = D_{C_2} \left(\frac{1}{r+R} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 C_2}{\partial r^2} \right) + \frac{D_T}{T_\infty} \left(\frac{1}{r+R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} \right) + k_1^* C_1 C_2^2, \quad (8)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u = as, \quad T = T_m, \quad D_{C_1} \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} = -D_{C_2} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} = k_2^* C_1 \text{ at } r = 0, \\ u \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \rightarrow 0, \quad T \rightarrow T_\infty, \quad C_1 \rightarrow C_0, \quad C_2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty. \\ k_f \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) = \rho_f [\lambda + C_s (T_m - T_0)] v(s, 0) \end{aligned} \right\}. \quad (9)$$

By using

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u = asf'(\eta), \quad v = -\frac{R}{r+R} \sqrt{av_f} f(\eta), \quad p = \rho_f \alpha^2 s^2 P(\eta), \\ \theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_m}{T_\infty - T_m}, \quad \varphi(\eta) = \frac{C_1}{C_0}, \quad l(\eta) = \frac{C_2}{C_0}, \quad \eta = \sqrt{\frac{a}{v_f}} r, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10)$$

we have

$$P' - \frac{f'^2}{(\eta + K)} = 0, \quad (11)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{2A}{(\eta+K)}P = f''' + \frac{1}{(\eta+K)}f'' - \frac{1}{(\eta+K)^2}f' + \frac{K}{(\eta+K)}ff'' + \frac{K}{(\eta+K)^2}ff' - \frac{K}{(\eta+K)}f'^2 \\ \beta \left(\frac{2K}{(\eta+K)}f'f''' - \frac{2K}{(\eta+K)^2}ff''' - \frac{8K}{(\eta+K)^2}f'f'' + \frac{4K}{(\eta+K)^3}ff'' + \frac{6K}{(\eta+K)^3}f'^2 - \frac{4K}{(\eta+K)^4}ff' \right) - Mf', \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (12)$$

$$(1 + Rd) \left(\theta'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\theta' \right) + Pr \frac{A}{(\eta + K)}f\theta' + PrNt\theta^2 + PrQ\theta = 0, \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{1}{Sc} \left(\phi'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\phi' \right) + \frac{K}{(\eta + K)}f\phi' + \frac{1}{Sc} \frac{Nt}{Nb} \left(\theta'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\theta' \right) - K_1\phi l^2 = 0, \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{\delta}{Sc} \left(l'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}l' \right) + \frac{K}{(\eta + K)}fl' + \frac{1}{Sc} \frac{Nt}{Nb} \left(\theta'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\theta' \right) + K_1\phi l^2 = 0, \quad (15)$$

with

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f'(\eta) = 1, \theta(\eta) = 0, Prf(\eta) + Me\theta'(\eta) = 0, \\ \phi'(\eta) = K_2\phi(\eta), \delta l'(\eta) = -K_2\phi(\eta) \quad \text{at } \eta = 0 \\ f'(\infty) = 0, f''(\infty) = 0, \theta(\infty) = 1, \phi(\infty) = 1, l(\infty) = 0. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (16)$$

In above expression, the dimensionless parameters are $M = \frac{\sigma_f B_0^2}{\alpha \rho_f}$, $\beta = \frac{\alpha_1 a}{\mu_f}$, $K = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\nu_f}} R$, $Rd = \frac{16\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{3k^* k_f}$, $Nb = \frac{\tau D_B C_0}{\nu_f}$, $Me = \frac{(c_p)_f(T_\infty - T_m)}{\lambda + C_s(T_m - T_0)}$, $Nt = \frac{\tau D_T(T_\infty - T_m)}{T_\infty \nu_f}$, $Ec = \frac{u_w^2}{c_p(T_\infty - T_m)}$, $Pr = \frac{\nu_f}{\alpha}$, $Q = \frac{Q_0}{a(\rho c_p)_f}$, $Sc = \frac{\nu_f}{D_{C_1}}$, $\delta = \frac{D_{C_2}}{D_{C_1}}$, $K_1 = \frac{k_1^* C_0^2}{a}$, and $K_2 = \frac{k_2^*}{D_{C_1}} \sqrt{\frac{a}{\nu_f}}$.
By neglecting the pressure we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f^{iv} + \frac{2}{(\eta+K)}f''' - \frac{1}{(\eta+K)^2}f'' + \frac{1}{(\eta+K)^3}f' + \frac{K}{(\eta+K)}(ff''' - f'f'') + \frac{K}{(\eta+K)^2}(ff'' - f'^2) - \frac{K}{(\eta+K)^3}ff' \\ + 2\beta \left(\frac{K}{(\eta+K)}f''f''' + \frac{K}{(\eta+K)}f'f^{iv} + \frac{3K}{(\eta+K)^3}ff''' - \frac{5K}{(\eta+K)^2}f'f''' - \frac{K}{(\eta+K)^2}ff^{iv} \right) \\ \left(+ \frac{12K}{(\eta+K)^3}f'f'' - \frac{4K}{(\eta+K)^2}f'^2 - \frac{6K}{(\eta+K)^4}ff'' - \frac{8K}{(\eta+K)^4}f'^2 + \frac{6K}{(\eta+K)^5}ff' \right) \\ - M \left(f'' + \frac{1}{(\eta+K)}f' \right) = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (17)$$

Consider we have $D_{C_1} = D_{C_2}$ we have

$$\phi(\eta) + l(\eta) = 1$$

From equations (14) and (15) we have

$$\frac{1}{Sc} \left(\phi'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\phi' \right) + \frac{K}{(\eta + K)}f\phi' + \frac{1}{Sc} \frac{Nt}{Nb} \left(\theta'' + \frac{1}{(\eta + K)}\theta' \right) - K_1\phi(1 - \phi)^2 = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$\varphi'(\eta) = K_2\varphi(\eta), \quad \varphi(\infty) = 1. \quad (19)$$

Physical quantities

Skin friction coefficient

Mathematically

$$C_{fs} = \frac{\tau_{rs}}{\frac{1}{2}\rho_f u_w^2}, \quad (20)$$

shear stress (τ_{rs}) is given as

$$\tau_{rs} = \mu_f \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{u}{r+R} \right) + 2\alpha \left(\frac{R}{r+R} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + \frac{v}{r+R} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - \frac{2Ru}{(r+R)^2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} - \frac{2uv}{(r+R)^2} \right) \Big|_{r=0}, \quad (21)$$

One can found

$$C_{fs} Re_s^{1/2} = 2 \left[f''(0) - \frac{f'(0)}{K} + \beta \left(f'(0)f''(0) - \frac{2}{K} (f'(0)^2) \right) \right]. \quad (22)$$

Heat transfer rate

It is expressed as

$$Nu_s = \frac{sq_w}{k_f(T_\infty - T_m)} \quad (23)$$

Here q_w heat flux is defined as

$$q_w = -k_f \left(1 + \frac{16\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{3k^* k_f} \right) \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \quad (24)$$

We get

$$Nu_s Re_s^{-1/2} = -(1 + Rd)\theta'(0). \quad (25)$$

Entropy modeling

It is expressed as

$$S_G = \left. \begin{aligned} & \frac{k_f}{T_\infty^2} \left(1 + \frac{16\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{3k^* k_f} \right) \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{\sigma_f B_0^2}{T_\infty} u^2 + \frac{RD_{C_1}}{T_\infty} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{RD_{C_1}}{C_1} \left(\frac{\partial C_1}{\partial r} \right)^2 \\ & \frac{RD_{C_2}}{T_\infty} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{RD_{C_2}}{C_2} \left(\frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} \right)^2 \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (26)$$

One can write

$$N_G(\eta) = \alpha_{11}(1 + Rd)\theta'^2 + MBrf'^2 + \frac{\varphi'^2}{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{L_1}{\phi} + \frac{L_2}{(1 - \phi)} \right) + (L_1 - L_2)\theta'\varphi'. \quad (27)$$

Here dimensionless variables are $S_G = \frac{S_G T_\infty \nu_f}{ak_f(T_\infty - T_m)}$, $Br = \frac{\mu_f u_w^2}{k_f(T_\infty - T_m)}$, $L_1 = \frac{RD C_2 C_0}{k_f}$, $\alpha_1 = \frac{T_\infty - T_m}{T_\infty}$, and $L_2 = \frac{RD C_2 C_0}{k_f}$.

Solution methodology

Optimal homotopic analysis method (OHAM) is employed to develop convergent solution.^{46,47} Here, linear operators and initial approximation are defined as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_0(\eta) &= (e^{-\eta} - e^{-2\eta}) - \frac{Me}{Pr} \\ \theta_0(\eta) &= 1 - e^{-\eta} \\ \varphi_0(\eta) &= 1 - e^{-K_2\eta} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (28)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} L_f &= \frac{\partial^4}{\partial \eta^4} - 5 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} + 4 \\ L_\theta &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} - 1 \\ L_\varphi &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} - 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (29)$$

with

$$\left. \begin{aligned} L_f [c_1 e^\eta + c_2 e^{-\eta} + c_3 e^{2\eta} + c_4 e^{-2\eta}], & \quad L_\theta [c_5 e^\eta + c_6 e^{-\eta}] \\ L_\varphi [c_7 e^\eta + c_8 e^{-\eta}] & \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (30)$$

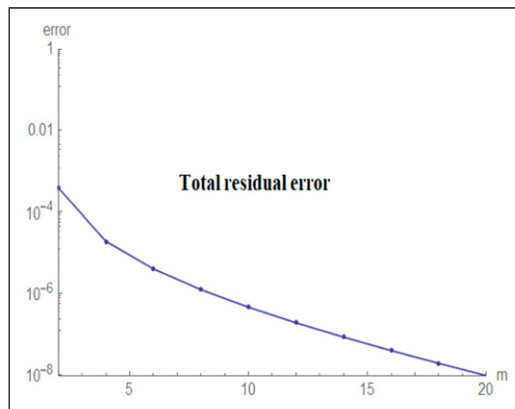
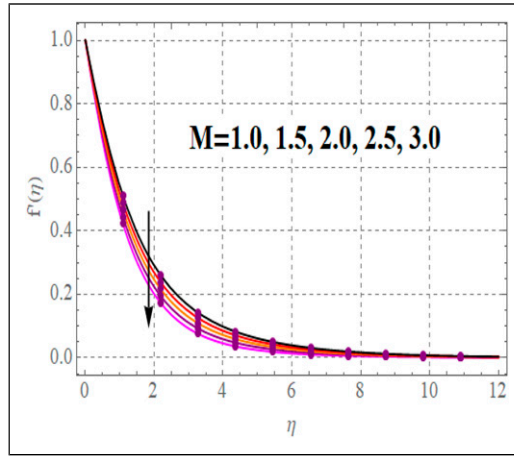
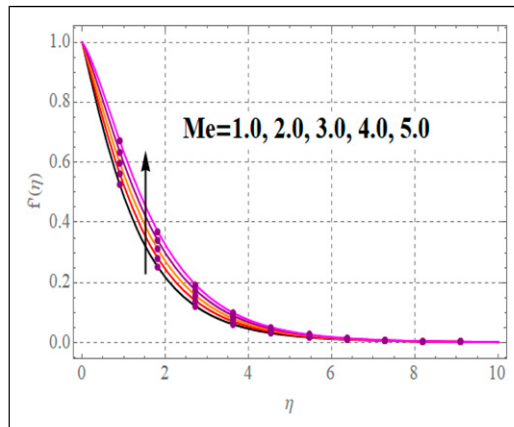


Figure 2. Total residual error.

Table I. Total residual error for the velocity, temperature and concentration.

m	ε_m^f	ε_m^θ	ε_m^c
2	0.000221245	0.0000635364	0.0000866985
4	3.35461×10^{-7}	1.01235×10^{-9}	0.00001512547
8	1.47896×10^{-10}	1.5421×10^{-11}	1.12451×10^{-7}
12	1.14532×10^{-13}	1.3654×10^{-14}	1.36542×10^{-8}
16	1.45632×10^{-16}	3.67895×10^{-17}	3.78654×10^{-9}
20	1.56421×10^{-19}	1.54213×10^{-19}	5.12452×10^{-10}

**Figure 3.** $f'(\eta)$ versus M .**Figure 4.** $f'(\eta)$ versus Me .

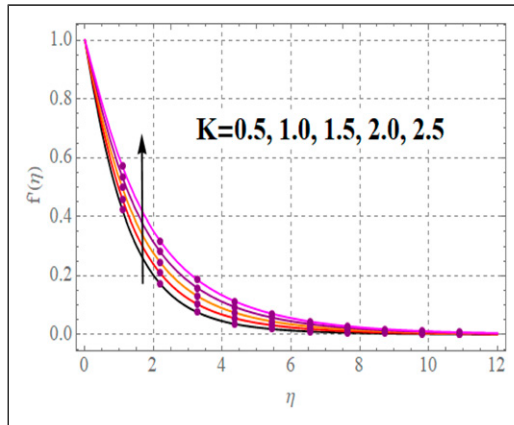


Figure 5. $f'(\eta)$ versus K .

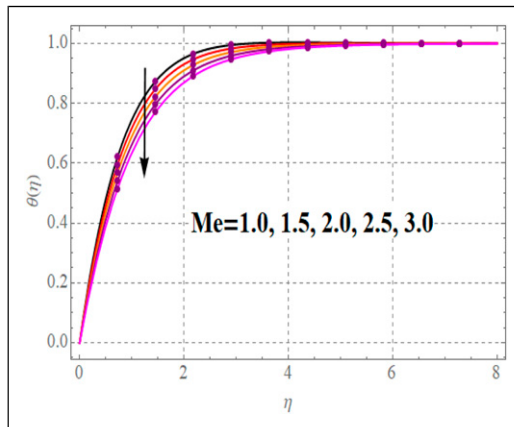


Figure 6. $\theta(\eta)$ versus Me .

Here, c_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$) denotes the arbitrary constants.

Convergence Analysis

Initially, Liao^{46,47} gives the concept of optimal homotopic analysis technique. Mathematically it is expressed as

$$\mathcal{E}_m^f = \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^k \left[\mathfrak{N}_f \left(\sum_{j=0}^m f(\eta) \right)_{\eta=i\delta^* \eta} \right]^2, \tag{31}$$

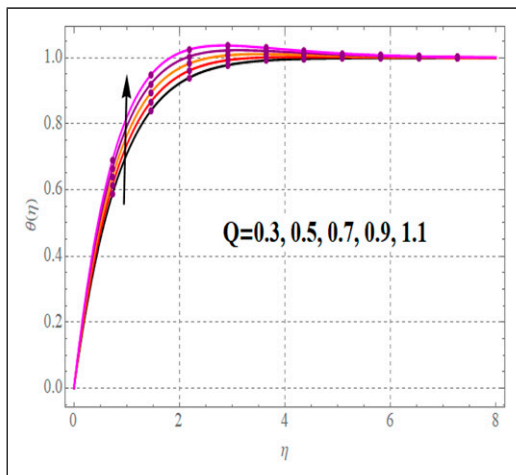


Figure 7. $\theta(\eta)$ versus Q .

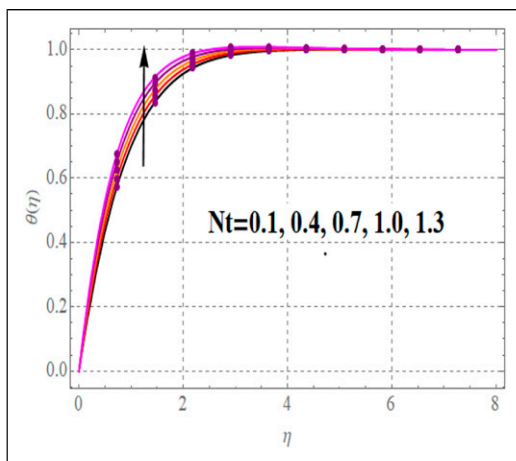


Figure 8. $\theta(\eta)$ versus Nt .

$$\varepsilon_m^\theta = \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^k \left[\mathfrak{N}_\theta \left(\sum_{j=0}^m f(\eta), \sum_{j=0}^m \theta(\eta) \right)_{\eta=i\delta^* \eta} \right]^2, \quad (32)$$

$$\varepsilon_m^\varphi = \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{i=0}^k \left[\mathfrak{N}_\varphi \left(\sum_{j=0}^m f(\eta), \sum_{j=0}^m \theta(\eta), \sum_{j=0}^m \varphi(\eta) \right)_{\eta=i\delta^* \eta} \right]^2, \quad (33)$$

Total squared residual error is ^{46,47}

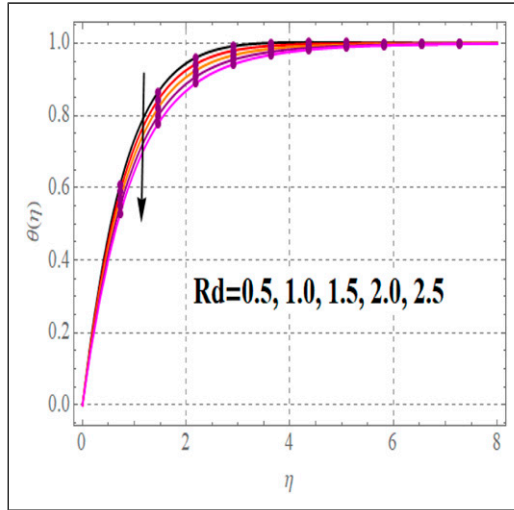


Figure 9. $\theta(\eta)$ versus Rd .

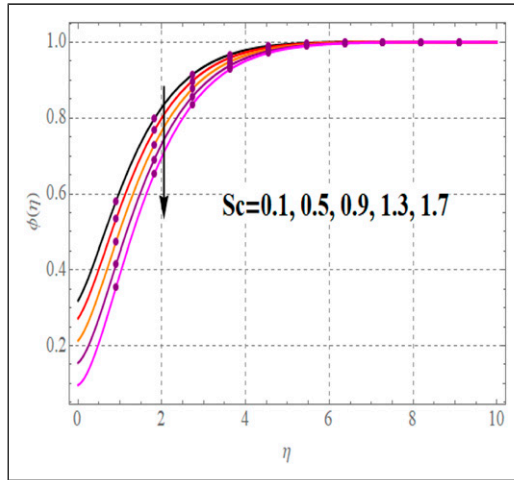


Figure 10. $\varphi(\eta)$ versus Sc .

$$\epsilon_m^t = \epsilon_m^f + \epsilon_m^g + \epsilon_m^p.$$

Figure 2 shows the total averaged squared residual error. Individual averaged residual errors are highlighted in Table 1.

Graphical results and analysis

Significant performance of fluid flow, entropy rate, thermal field, and concentration against physical variable are studied.

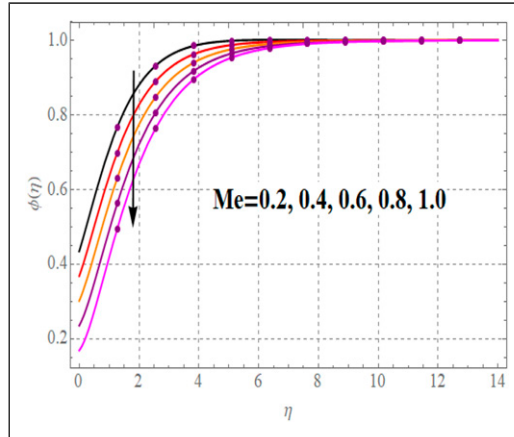


Figure 11. $\phi(\eta)$ versus Me .

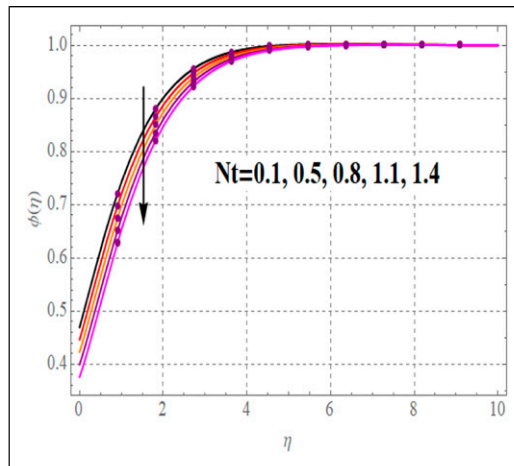


Figure 12. $\phi(\eta)$ versus Nb .

Velocity

Performance of fluid flow against magnetic variable is portrayed in [Figure 3](#). An amplification in magnetic effect improves the resistive force which reduced the fluid flow. Influence of melting effect on velocity ($f'(\eta)$) is exhibited in [Figure 4](#). Higher estimation of melting parameter corresponds to rises velocity ($f'(\eta)$). Significant effect of velocity versus curvature variable is shown in [Figure 5](#). An intensification in curvature variable (K) reduces the viscous force and as a result fluid flow is boosted.

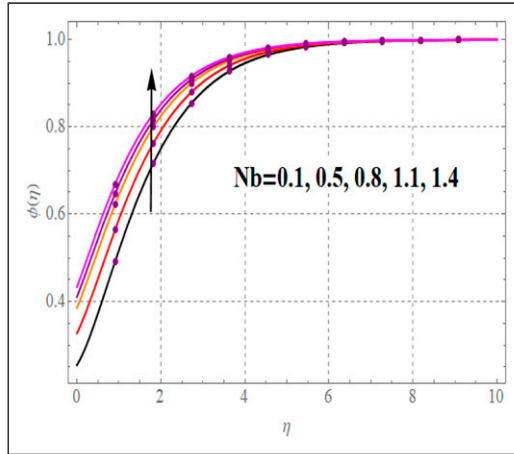


Figure 13. $\phi(\eta)$ versus Nt .

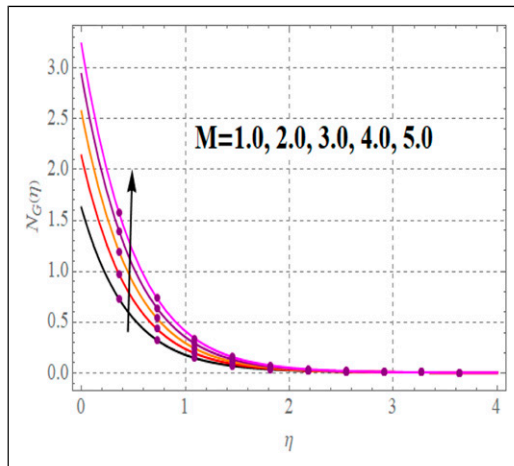


Figure 14. $N_G(\eta)$ versus M .

Temperature

Influence of thermal field via melting variable is depicted in Figure 6. Larger approximation in melting (Me) variable declines the temperature ($\theta(\eta)$) distribution. Heat generation variable impact on thermal field is illustrated in Figure 7. An augmentation in temperature is noticed through heat generation (Q) variable. An increasing behavior in thermal field is noted with variation in thermophoretic variable (see Figure 8). Outcomes of radiation on thermal field ($\theta(\eta)$) are illustrated in Figure 9. Here, one can found that temperature boosts up with higher radiation effect.

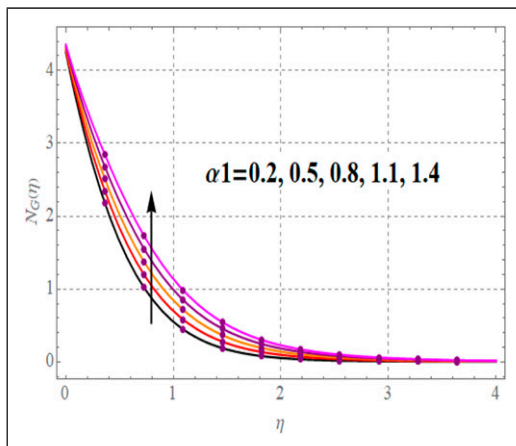


Figure 15. $N_G(\eta)$ versus α_1 .

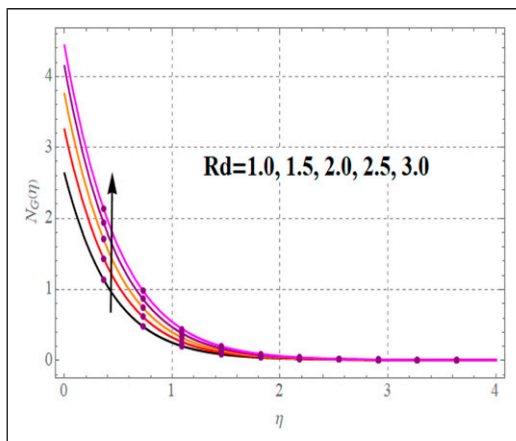


Figure 16. $N_G(\eta)$ versus Rd .

Concentration

Outcome of concentration with higher Schmidt number is depicted in [Figure 10](#). A decrement in mass diffusivity is noticed with rising Schmidt number, which decreases concentration. Reduction occurs in concentration with variation in melting variable (see [Figure 11](#)). Influence of random and thermophoretic motion variables on concentration is revealed in [Figures 12](#) and [13](#). Clearly reverse trend holds for concentration through thermophoretic and random motion variables.

Entropy rate

[Figure 14](#) elucidates influence of entropy rate against magnetic variable. An intensification in magnetic effect improves the resistive force between liquid particles, which enhances the

disorderness in thermal system. As a result, entropy rate boosted. An increment in thermal ratio variable (α_1) enhances the entropy rate (see Figure 15). Figure 16 shows outcome of radiation on entropy generation ($N_G(\eta)$). A decrement in coefficient of mean absorption with higher radiation, which rises thermal emission and thus entropy generation, is augmented.

Conclusions

The key findings are given below.

- An amplification in fluid flow is observed through curvature variable, while opposite impact holds for magnetic variable.
- An opposite behavior holds for fluid flow and thermal field through melting variable.
- Thermal field increased with variation in heat generation variable.
- Larger estimation of radiation boosts up entropy rate, while opposite impact holds for thermal field.
- An opposite impact in concentration is noticed through random and thermophoretic variable.
- A decrement in concentration is seen through Schmidt number.
- An intensification in thermal field is seen through magnetic variable.

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Appendix

Nomenclature

A, B	chemical species	Me	melting parameter
C_0	ambient concentration	Ec	Eckert number
C_1	homogeneous concentration	Nt	thermophoresis parameter
C_2	heterogeneous concentration	Nb	Brownian motion parameter
c_p	specific heat	N_G	entropy generation
D_{C_1}, D_{C_2}	diffusion coefficients	L_1	homogeneous diffusion parameter
D_T	thermophoresis coefficient	L_2	heterogeneous diffusion parameter
k^*	mean absorption coefficient	α_1	temperature difference parameter
k_f	thermal conductivity	Re_s	local Reynold number
k_1^*	reaction rate (homogeneous species)	Sc	Schmidt number
k_2^*	reaction rate (heterogeneous species)	K_1	homogeneous reaction parameter
p	pressure	K_2	heterogeneous reaction parameter
Q_0	heat generation coefficient	R	molar gas constant
r, s	curvilinear coordinates	β	fluid parameter
T	temperature	M	magnetic parameter
T_m	melting heat temperature	Rd	radiation parameter
T_∞	ambient temperature	Pr	Prandtl number
u, v	velocity components	C_s	surface heat capacity
α_1^*	material parameter	δ	diffusivity ratio
ρ_f	density	C_{fs}	surface drag force
ν_f	kinematic viscosity	τ_{rs}	shear stress
μ_f	dynamic viscosity	Nu_s	Nusselt number
σ_f	electrical conductivity	q_w	heat flux
σ^*	Stefan Boltzmann constant	Br	Brinkman number
λ	latent heat	Q	heat generation parameter