

# **Effects of the Chemical Reaction on Unsteady MHD convective heat and mass transfer past a Semi-infinite vertical permeable moving plate with heat source absorption**

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**ABSTRACT:** The problem of unsteady, two-dimensional, laminar, boundary-layer flow of a viscous, incompressible, electrically conducting and heat-absorbing fluid along a semi-infinite vertical permeable moving plate in the presence of a uniform transverse magnetic field and thermal and concentration buoyancy effects is considered. The plate is assumed to move with a constant velocity in the direction of fluid flow while the free stream velocity is assumed to follow the exponentially increasing small perturbation law. Time-dependent wall suction is assumed to occur at the permeable surface. The dimensionless governing equations for this investigation are solved analytically using two-term harmonic and non-harmonic functions. Graphical results for velocity, temperature and concentration profiles of both phases based on the analytical solutions are presented and discussed.

**Keywords:** MHD, Chemical reaction, Porous medium, vertical plate, Radiation, Skin friction, Free convection, Heat and mass transfer, Heat source, Mass diffusion and absorption.

## **1. Introduction**

Simultaneous heat and mass transfer from different geometries embedded in porous media has many engineering and geophysical applications such as geothermal reservoirs, drying of porous solids, thermal insulation, enhanced oil recovery, packed-bed catalytic reactors, cooling of nuclear reactors, and underground energy transport. Cheng and Minkowycz [1] have presented similarity solutions for free thermal convection from a vertical plate in a fluid-saturated porous medium. The problem of combined thermal convection from a semi-infinite vertical plate in the presence or absence of a porous medium has been studied by many authors (see, for example [2-5]). Nakayama and Koyama [4] have studied pure, combined and forced convection in Darcian and non-Darcian porous media. Lai and Kulacki [6] have investigated coupled heat and mass transfer by mixed convection from an isothermal vertical plate in a porous medium. Hsieh et al [5]. has presented non-similar solutions for combined convection in porous media. Chamkha [7] has investigated hydromagnetic natural convection from an iso-thermal inclined surface adjacent to a thermally stratified porous medium.

Combined heat and mass transfer problems with chemical reaction are of importance in many processes and have, therefore, received a considerable amount of attention in recent years. In processes such as drying, evaporation at the surface of a water body, energy transfer in a wet cooling tower and the flow in a desert cooler, heat and mass transfer occur simultaneously. Possible applications of this type of flow can be found in many industries. For example, in the power industry, among the methods of generating electric power is one in which electrical energy is extracted directly from a moving conducting fluid. We are particularly interested in cases in which diffusion and chemical reaction occur at roughly the same speed. When diffusion is much faster than chemical reaction, then only

chemical factors influence the chemical reaction rate; when diffusion is not much faster than reaction, the diffusion and kinetics interact to produce very different effects. The study of heat generation or absorption effects in moving fluids is important in view of several physical problems, such as fluids undergoing exothermic or endothermic chemical reaction. Due to the fast growth of electronic technology, effective cooling of electronic equipment has become warranted and cooling of electronic equipment ranges from individual transistors to main frame computers and from energy suppliers to telephone switch boards and thermal diffusion effect has been utilized for isotopes separation in the mixture between gases with very light molecular weight (hydrogen and helium) and medium molecular weight.

At high operating temperature, radiation effect can be quite significant. Many processes in engineering areas occur at high temperature and knowledge of radiation heat transfer becomes very important for the design of the pertinent equipment. Nuclear power plants, gas turbines and the various propulsion devices for aircraft, missiles, satellites and space vehicles are examples of such engineering areas. Bestman [8] examined the natural convection boundary layer with suction and mass transfer in a porous medium. His results confirmed the hypothesis that suction stabilises the boundary layer and affords the most efficient method in boundary layer control yet known. Abdus Sattar and Hamid Kalim [9] investigated the unsteady free convection interaction with thermal radiation in a boundary layer flow past a vertical porous plate. Makinde [10] examined the transient free convection interaction with thermal radiation of an absorbing-emitting fluid along moving vertical permeable plate. Recently, Ibrahim et al. [11] have studied non classical thermal effects in Stokes' second problem for micro polar fluids by used perturbation method. Muthucumaraswamy and Ganesan [12] studied effect of the chemical reaction and injection on flow characteristics in an unsteady upward motion of an isothermal plate. Deka et al. [13] studied the effect of the first-order homogeneous chemical reaction on the process of an unsteady flow past an infinite vertical plate with a constant heat and mass transfer. Chamkha [7] studied the MHD flow of a numerical of uniformly stretched vertical permeable surface in the presence of heat generation/absorption and a chemical reaction. Soundalgekar and Patti [14] studied the problem of the flow past an impulsively started isothermal infinite vertical plate with mass transfer effects. The effect of foreign mass on the free-convection flow past a semi-infinite vertical plate were studied. Chamkha [15] assumed that the plate is embedded in a uniform porous medium and moves with a constant velocity in the flow direction in the presence of a transverse magnetic field. Raptis [16] investigate the steady flow of a viscous fluid through a very porous medium bounded by a porous plate subjected to a constant suction velocity by the presence of thermal radiation. Raptis and Perdikis [17] studied the unsteady free convection flow of water near 4 C in the laminar boundary layer over a vertical moving porous plate.

The spite of all these studies, the unsteady MHD free convection heat and mass transfer for a heat generating fluid with radiation absorption has received little attention. Hence, the main objective of the present investigation is to study the effects of radiation absorption, mass diffusion, chemical reaction and heat source parameter of heat generating fluid past a vertical porous plate subjected to variable suction. It is assumed that the plate is embedded in a uniform porous medium and moves with a constant velocity in the flow direction in the presence of a transverse magnetic field. It is also assumed that temperature over which are superimposed an exponentially varying with time.

The objective of this paper is to consider unsteady simultaneous convective heat and mass transfer flow along a vertical permeable plate embedded in a fluid-saturated porous medium in the presence of mass blowing or suction, magnetic field effects, and absorption effects. Most of previous works assumed that the semi-infinite plate is at rest. In the present work, it is assumed that the plate is embedded in a uniform porous medium and moves with a constant velocity in the flow direction in the presence of a transverse magnetic field. It is also assumed that the free stream to consist of a mean velocity and temperature over which are superimposed an exponentially varying with time.

## **2. Problem formulation**

Consider unsteady two-dimensional flow of a laminar, incompressible, viscous, electrically conducting and heat absorbing fluid past a semi-infinite vertical permeable moving plate embedded in a uniform porous medium and subjected to a uniform transverse magnetic field in the presence of thermal and concentration buoyancy effects .

It is assumed that there is no applied voltage which implies the absence of an electrical field. The transversely applied magnetic field and magnetic Reynolds number are assumed to be very small so that the induced magnetic field and the Hall Effect are negligible [18]. A consequence of the small magnetic Reynolds number is the uncoupling of the Navier-Stokes equations from Maxwell's equations [18]. The governing equations for this

investigation are based on the balances of mass, linear momentum, energy and concentration species. Taking into consideration the assumptions made above, these equations can be written in Cartesian frame of reference, as follows

$$\frac{\partial v^*}{\partial y^*} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial t^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p^*}{\partial x^*} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}} + g\beta_T (T - T_\infty) + g\beta_c (c - c_\infty) - \nu \frac{u^*}{K^*} - \frac{\sigma}{\rho} B_0^2 u^* \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t^*} + v^* \frac{\partial T}{\partial y^*} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^{*2}} - \frac{Q_0}{\rho c_p} (T - T_\infty) \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t^*} + v^* \frac{\partial c}{\partial y^*} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial y^{*2}} - K(c - c_\infty) \tag{4}$$

where  $x^*$ ,  $y^*$ , and  $t^*$  are the dimensional distances along and perpendicular to the plate and dimensional time, respectively.  $U^*$  and  $v^*$  are the components of dimensional velocities along  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  directions, respectively,  $\rho$  is the fluid density,  $\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity,  $c_p$  is the specific heat at constant pressure,  $\sigma$  is the fluid electrical conductivity,  $B_0$  is the magnetic induction,  $K^*$  is the permeability of the porous medium,  $T$  is the dimensional temperature,  $Q_0$  is the dimensional heat absorption coefficient,  $c$  is the dimensional concentration,  $\alpha$  is the fluid thermal diffusivity,  $D$  is the mass diffusivity,  $g$  is the gravitational acceleration, and  $\beta_T$  and  $\beta_c$  are the thermal and concentration expansion coefficients, respectively. The magnetic and viscous dissipations are neglected in this study. The third and fourth terms on the RHS of the momentum Eq. (2) denote the thermal and concentration buoyancy effects, respectively. Also, the last term of the energy Eq. (3) represents the heat absorption effects. It is assumed that the permeable plate moves with a constant velocity in the direction of fluid flow, and the free stream velocity follows the exponentially increasing small perturbation law. In addition, it is assumed that the temperature and the concentration at the wall as well as the suction velocity are exponentially varying with time.

Under these assumptions, the appropriate boundary conditions for the velocity, temperature and concentration fields are

$$u^* = u_p^*, T = T_w + \varepsilon(T_w - T_\infty)e^{n^* t^*}, c = c_w + \varepsilon(c_w - c_\infty)e^{n^* t^*} \text{ at } y^* = 0 \tag{5}$$

$$u^* \rightarrow U_\infty^*, T \rightarrow T_\infty, c \rightarrow c_\infty \text{ as } y^* \rightarrow \infty \tag{6}$$

where  $u_p^*$ ,  $c_w$  and  $T_w$  are the wall dimensional velocity, concentration and temperature, respectively.  $U_\infty^*$ ,  $c_\infty$  and  $T_\infty$  are the free stream dimensional velocity, concentration and temperature, respectively.  $U_0$  and  $n^*$  are constants.

It is clear from Eq. (1) that the suction velocity at the plate surface is a function of time only. Assuming that it takes the following exponential form:

$$v^* = -V_0 (1 + \varepsilon A e^{n^* t^*}) \tag{7}$$

where  $A$  is a real positive constant,  $\varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon A$  are small less than unity, and  $V_0$  is a scale of suction velocity which has non-zero positive constant. Outside the boundary layer, Eq. (2) gives

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d\rho^*}{dx^*} = \frac{dU_\infty^*}{dt^*} + \frac{\nu}{K^*} U_\infty^* + \frac{\sigma}{\rho} B_0^2 U_\infty^* \tag{8}$$

It is convenient to employ the following dimensionless variables:

$$u = \frac{u^*}{U_0}, \quad v = \frac{v^*}{V_0}, \quad \eta = \frac{V_0 y^*}{\nu}, \quad U_\infty = \frac{U_\infty^*}{U_0}, \quad U_p = \frac{u_p^*}{U_0},$$

$$t = \frac{\varepsilon V_0^2}{\nu}, \quad \theta = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty}, \quad C = \frac{c - c_\infty}{c_w - c_\infty}, \quad n = \frac{n^* \nu}{V_0^2},$$

$$K = \frac{K^*V_0^2}{v^2}, \quad Pr = \frac{v\rho C_p}{k} = \frac{v}{\alpha}, \quad Sc = \frac{v}{D}, \quad M = \frac{\sigma B_0^2 v}{\rho V_0^2}, \quad (9)$$

$$G_T = \frac{v\beta_T g (T_w - T_\infty)}{U_0 V_0^2}, \quad G_c = \frac{v\beta_c g (c_w - c_\infty)}{U_0 V_0^2}, \quad \phi = \frac{vQ_0}{\rho c_p V_0^2}, \quad Kr = \frac{Kv}{V_0^2}$$

In view of Eqs. (7)-(9), Eqs. (2) -(4) reduce to the following dimensionless form:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - (1 + \varepsilon A e^{nt}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} = \frac{d U_\infty}{dt} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \eta^2} + G_T \theta + G_c C + N(U_\infty - u) \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} - (1 + \varepsilon A e^{nt}) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \eta} = \frac{1}{Pr} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \eta^2} - \phi \theta \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} - (1 + \varepsilon A e^{nt}) \frac{\partial C}{\partial \eta} = \frac{1}{Sc} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial \eta^2} - K_r C \quad \text{Where } N = (M + \frac{1}{K}) \quad (12)$$

and  $G_c$ ,  $G_T$ ,  $Pr$ ,  $\phi$  and  $Sc$  are the solutal Grashof number, thermal Grashof number, Prandtl number, dimensionless heat absorption coefficient the Schmidt number, respectively. By setting  $Kr$  equal to zero Eqs. (12) reduce to those reported by Chamka [19]

The dimensionless form of the boundary conditions (5) and (6) become

$$u = U_p, \quad \theta = 1 + \varepsilon e^{nt}, \quad C = 1 + \varepsilon e^{nt} \quad \text{at } \eta = 0 \quad (13)$$

$$u \rightarrow U_\infty, \quad \theta \rightarrow 0, \quad C \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty \quad (14)$$

### 3. Problem solution

Eqs. (10)– (12) represent a set of partial differential equations that cannot be solved in closed form. However, it can be reduced to a set of ordinary differential equations in dimensionless form that can be solved analytically. This can be done by representing the velocity, temperature and concentration as

$$u = f_0(\eta) + \varepsilon e^{nt} f_1(\eta) + O(\varepsilon^2) + \dots \quad (15)$$

$$\theta = g_0(\eta) + \varepsilon e^{nt} g_1(\eta) + O(\varepsilon^2) + \dots \quad (16)$$

$$C = h_0(\eta) + \varepsilon e^{nt} h_1(\eta) + O(\varepsilon^2) + \dots \quad (17)$$

Substituting Eqs. (15)–(17) into Eqs. (10)–(12), equating the harmonic and non-harmonic terms, and neglecting the higher-order terms of  $O(\varepsilon^2)$ , one obtains the following pairs of equations for  $(f_0, g_0, h_0)$  and  $(f_1, g_1, h_1)$

$$f_0'' + f_0' - N f_0 = -N - G_T g_0 - G_c h_0 \quad (18)$$

$$f_1'' + f_1' - N f_1 - n f_1 = -A f_0' - G_T g_1 - G_c h_1 - (N + n) \quad (19)$$

$$g_0'' + g_0' Pr - \phi Pr g_0 = 0 \quad (20)$$

$$g_1'' + Pr g_1' - n g_1 Pr - \phi Pr g_1 = -A Pr g_0' \quad (21)$$

$$h_0'' + S_c h_0' - S_c K_r h_0 = 0 \quad (22)$$

$$h_1'' + S_c h_1' - S_c (K_r + n) h_1 = -A S_c h_0' \quad (23)$$

where a prime denotes ordinary differentiation with respect to  $\eta$ . The corresponding boundary conditions can be written as

$$f_0 = U_p, f_1 = 0, g_0 = 1, g_1 = 1, h_0 = 1, h_1 = 1 \quad \text{at } \eta = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$f_0 = 1, f_1 = 1, g_0 \rightarrow 0, g_1 \rightarrow 0, h_0 \rightarrow 0, h_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty \quad (25)$$

Without going into detail, the solutions of Eqs. (18)–(23) subject to Eqs. (24) and (25) can be shown to be

$$f_0 = 1 + C_2 e^{-\lambda_1 \eta} + A_3 e^{-m_5 \eta} + A_4 e^{-m_1 \eta} \quad (26)$$

$$f_1 = 1 + C_4 e^{-\lambda_3 \eta} + A_5 e^{-\lambda_1 \eta} + A_5 e^{-\lambda_1 \eta} + A_6 e^{-m_5 \eta} + A_7 e^{-m_1 \eta} + A_8 e^{-m_7 \eta} + A_9 e^{-m_3 \eta} \quad (27)$$

$$g_0 = e^{-m_5 \eta} \quad (28)$$

$$g_1 = e^{-m_7 \eta} + A_2 [e^{-m_5 \eta} - e^{-m_7 \eta}] \quad (29)$$

$$h_0 = e^{-m_1 \eta} \quad (30)$$

$$h_1 = e^{-m_3 \eta} + A_1 [e^{-m_1 \eta} - e^{-m_3 \eta}] \quad (31)$$

Where

$$m_1 = \frac{S_c + \sqrt{S_c^2 + 4k_r s_c}}{2} \quad (32)$$

$$m_3 = \frac{S_c + \sqrt{S_c^2 + 4s_c(k_r + n)}}{2} \quad (33)$$

$$m_5 = \frac{p_r + \sqrt{p_r^2 + 4\theta p_r}}{2} \quad (34)$$

$$m_7 = \frac{p_r + \sqrt{p_r^2 + 4p_r(n + \theta)}}{2} \quad (35)$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4N}}{2} \quad (36)$$

$$\lambda_3 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4(N + n)}}{2} \quad (37)$$

$$\text{And } A_1 = \frac{AS_c m_1}{m_1^2 - S_c(m_1 + k_r + n)} \quad (38)$$

$$A_2 = \frac{Ap_r m_5}{m_5^2 - m_5 p_r - p_r(n + \theta)} \quad (39)$$

$$A_3 = \frac{G_T}{-m_5^2 + m_5 + N} \quad (40)$$

$$A_4 = \frac{G_c}{-m_1^2 + m_1 + N} \quad (41)$$

$$c_2 = u_p - 1 - A_3 - A_4 \quad (42)$$

$$A_5 = \frac{A \lambda_1 c_2}{\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_1 - (N + n)} \quad (43)$$

$$A_6 = \frac{(A A_3 m_5 - A_2 G_T)}{m_5^2 - m_5 - (N + n)} \quad (46)$$

$$A_7 = \frac{AA_4 m_1 - G_c A_1}{m_1^2 - m_1 - (N + n)} \quad (47)$$

$$A_8 = \frac{(-G_T + G_T A_2)}{m_7^2 - m_7 - (N + n)} \quad (48)$$

$$A_9 = \frac{(-G_c + G_c A_1)}{m_3^2 - m_3 - (N + n)} \quad (45)$$

$$c_4 = -(1 + A_5 + A_6 + A_7 + A_8 + A_9) \quad (46)$$

In view of the above solutions, the velocity, temperature and concentration distributions in the boundary layer become

$$u(\eta, t) = (1 + C_2 e^{-\lambda_1 \eta} + A_3 e^{-m_5 \eta} + A_4 e^{-m_1 \eta}) + \varepsilon e^{nt} (C_4 e^{-\lambda_3 \eta} + A_5 e^{-\lambda_1 \eta} + A_6 e^{-m_5 \eta} + A_7 e^{-m_1 \eta} + A_8 e^{-m_7 \eta} + A_9 e^{-m_3 \eta} + 1) \quad (47)$$

$$\theta(\eta, t) = e^{-m_5 \eta} + \varepsilon e^{nt} e^{-m_7 \eta} + A_2 [ e^{-m_5 \eta} - e^{-m_7 \eta} ] \quad (48)$$

$$C(\eta, t) = e^{-m_1 \eta} + \varepsilon e^{nt} e^{-m_3 \eta} + A_1 [ e^{-m_1 \eta} - e^{-m_3 \eta} ] \quad (49)$$

The skin-friction coefficient, the Nusselt number and the Sherwood number are important physical parameters for this type of boundary-layer flow. These parameters can be defined and determined as follows:

$$C_f = \frac{\tau_w^*}{\rho U_0 V_0} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} \Big|_{\eta=0}$$

$$C_f = (-C_2 \lambda_1 - m_5 A_3 - m_1 A_4) + \varepsilon e^{nt} (-\lambda_3 C_4 - \lambda_1 A_5 - m_5 A_6 - m_1 A_7 - m_7 A_8 - m_3 A_9)$$

$$N_u = x \frac{\partial T / \partial y^*}{T_w - T_\infty} \Big|_{y^* = 0} \quad (50)$$

$$\frac{N_u}{Re_x} = \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \eta} \Big|_{\eta=0}$$

$$N_u = -m_5 + \varepsilon e^{nt} (m_7 - A_2 m_5 + m_7 A_2) \quad (51)$$

$$S_h = x \frac{\partial C / \partial y^*}{c_w - c_\infty} \Big|_{y^* = 0}$$

$$\frac{S_h}{Re_x} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial \eta} \Big|_{\eta=0} \quad S_h = -m_1 + \varepsilon e^{nt} (-m_3 - m_1 A_1 + A_1 m_3) \quad (52)$$

where  $Re_x = V_0 x/\nu$  is the local Reynolds number. It should be mentioned that in the absence of the concentration buoyancy and heat absorption effects, all of the flow and heat transfer solutions reported above are consistent with those reported earlier by Chamka [19].

#### 4. Results and discussion

Numerical evaluation of the analytical results reported in the previous section was performed and a representative set of results is reported graphically in Figs. 1–12. These results are obtained to illustrate the influence of the chemical reaction parameter  $K_r$ , the Schmidt number  $Sc$ , the heat absorption coefficient, the magnetic field parameter  $M$  and permeability parameter  $K$  on the velocity, temperature and the concentration profiles, while the values of the physical parameters are fixed at real constants,  $A = 0.5$ ,  $\varepsilon = 0.2$ , the frequency of oscillations  $n = 0.1$ , scale of free stream velocity  $u_p = 0.5$ , Prandtl number  $Pr = 0.7$  and  $t = 0.5$ . Figs. 1–3 display results for the velocity, temperature and concentration distributions, respectively. It is seen, that the velocity, temperature and concentration increases with decreasing the chemical reaction parameter  $c$ . Also, we observe that the magnitude of the stream wise velocity increases and the inflection point for the velocity distribution moves further away from the surface.

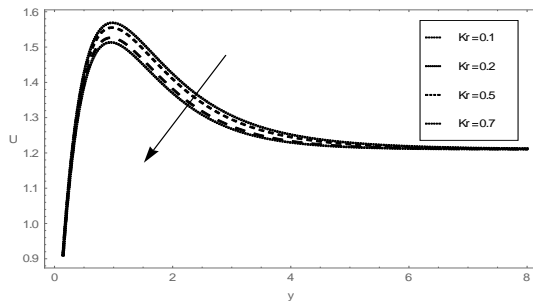


Fig. 1 Velocity profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the chemical reaction parameter  $Kr$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $S_c=0.6$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $\phi=1$

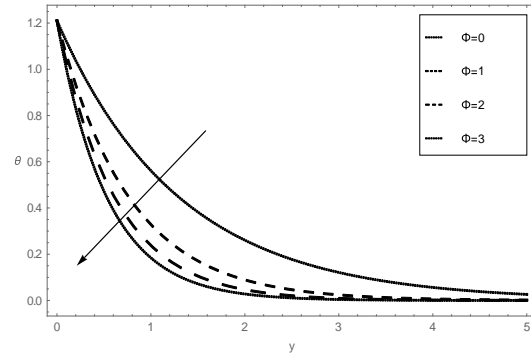


Fig. 4 Temperature profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the heat absorption parameter  $\phi$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $S_c=0.6$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $Kr=0.2$

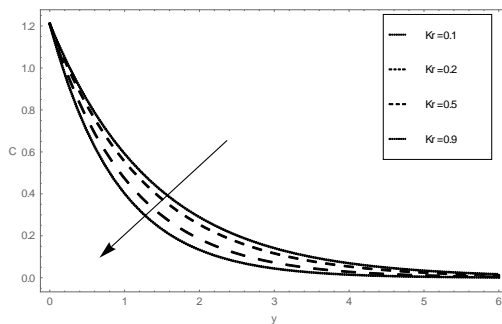


Fig. 2 Concentration profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the chemical reaction parameter  $Kr$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $S_c=0.6$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $\phi=1$

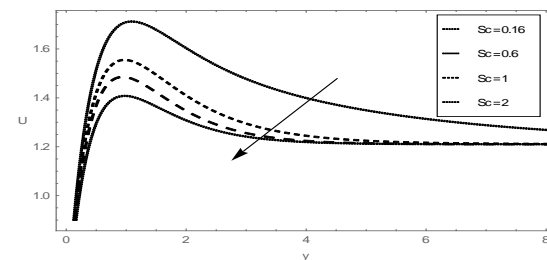


Fig. 5 Velocity profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the Schmidt Number  $Sc$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $\phi=1$ ,  $Kr=0.2$

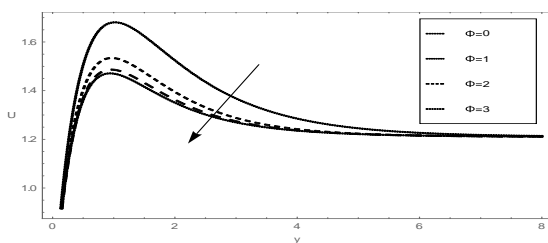


Fig. 3 Velocity profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the heat absorption parameter  $\phi$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $S_c=0.6$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $Kr=0.2$

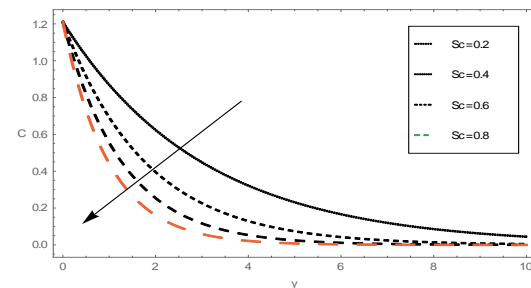


Fig.6 Concentration profile against span wise coordinate  $y$  for different values of the Schmidt Number  $Sc$  with  $G_T=2$ ,  $G_c=1$ ,  $K=0.5$ ,  $M=0.0$ ,  $\phi=1$ ,  $Kr=0.2$ .

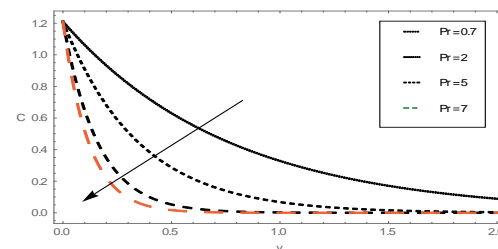


Fig. 7 Effects of  $Pr$  on concentration profiles

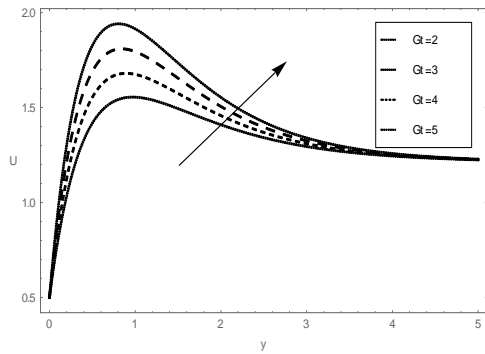


Fig. 8 Effects of  $G_t$  on Velocity profiles

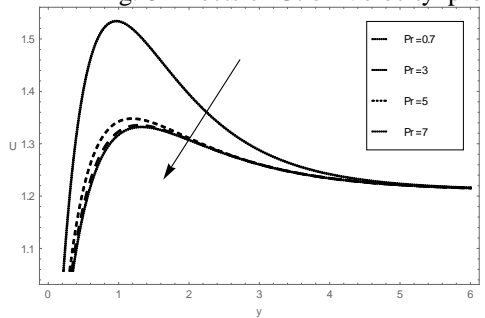


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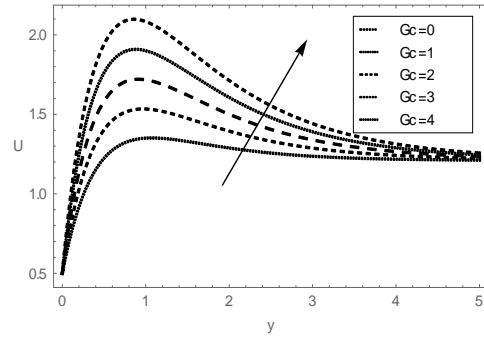


Fig. 10 Effects of  $G_c$  on Velocity profiles

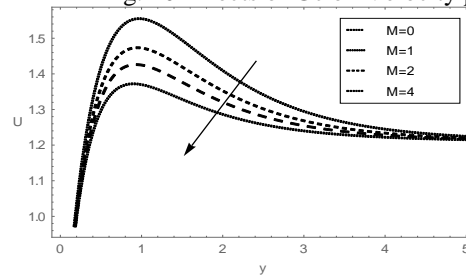


Fig. 11 Effects of  $M$  on Velocity profiles

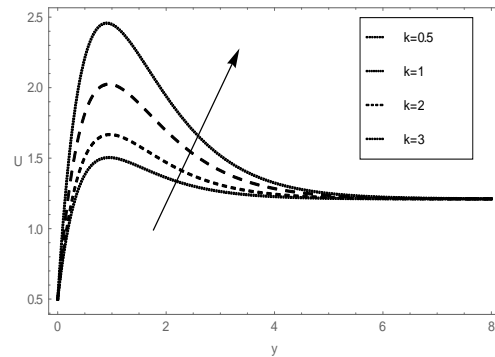


Fig. 12 Effects of  $K$  on Velocity profiles

Table 1. Effects of  $G_c$  on  $C_f$ ,  $Nu/Re_x$ ,  $Sh/Re_x$  for the reference values in fig.10

$G_c$	$C_f$	$Nu/Re_x$	$Sh/Re_x$
0	2.71514	-1.57909	-0.799572
1	3.47075	-1.57909	-0.799572
2	4.22637	-1.57909	-0.799572
3	4.98199	-1.57909	-0.799572
4	5.50062	-1.57909	-0.799572

Table 2. Effects of  $\phi$  on  $C_f$ ,  $Nu/Re_x$ ,  $Sh/Re_x$  for the reference values in fig. 3

$\phi$	$C_f$	$Nu/Re_x$	$Sh/Re_x$
0	3.73515	-0.931147	-0.799572
1	3.47075	-1.57909	-0.799572
2	3.40528	-1.96951	-0.799572
3	3.5271	-2.27782	-0.799572



Table 3. Effects of  $S_c$  on  $C_f$ ,  $Nu/Re_x$ ,  $Sh/Re_x$ , for the reference values in fig. 5

Sc	Cf	Nu/Re <sub>x</sub>	Sh/Re <sub>x</sub>
<b>0.16</b>	<b>3.70936</b>	<b>-1.57909</b>	<b>-0.220006</b>
<b>0.6</b>	<b>3.47075</b>	<b>-1.57909</b>	<b>-0.799572</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>3.34831</b>	<b>-1.57909</b>	<b>-1.32582</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3.06866</b>	<b>-1.57909</b>	<b>-2.64125</b>

## 5. Conclusions

The plate velocity was maintained at a constant value and the flow was subjected to a transverse magnetic field. The resulting partial differential equations were transformed into a set of ordinary differential equations using two-term series and solved in closed-form. Numerical evaluations of the closed-form results were performed and some graphical results were obtained to illustrate the details of the flow and heat and mass transfer characteristics and their dependence on some of the physical parameters. It was found that the velocity profiles increased due to decreases in chemical reaction parameter, the Schmidt number, heat absorption coefficient and magnetic field. Whereas an increase in chemical reaction parameter  $c$ , the Schmidt number  $Sc$  and heat absorption coefficient / led to a decrease in the temperature profile on cooling. Also, it was found that the concentration profile decreased due to increases in the chemical reaction parameter  $Kr$  and the Schmidt number  $Sc$ .

## Nomenclature

A	suction velocity parameter
$B_0$	magnetic induction
$c$	concentration
$c_p$	specific heat at constant pressure
C	dimensionless concentration
$C_f$	skin-friction coefficient
D	mass diffusion coefficient
$G_c$	solutal Grashof number
$G_T$	thermal Grashof number
$g$	acceleration due to gravity
K	permeability of the porous medium
$k$	thermal conductivity
M	magnetic field parameter
N	dimensionless material parameter
$n$	dimensionless exponential index
Nu	Nusselt number
Pr	Prandtl number
$Q_0$	heat absorption coefficient
$Re_x$	local Reynolds number
Sc	Schmidt number
Sh	Sherwood number
T	temperature
$t$	dimensionless time
$U_0$	scale of free stream velocity
$u, v$	components of velocities along and perpendicular to the plate, respectively
$V_0$	scale of suction velocity
$x, y$	distances along and perpendicular to the plate, respectively

## Greek symbols

$a$	fluid thermal diffusivity
$b_c$	coefficient of volumetric concentration expansion
$b_T$	coefficient of volumetric thermal expansion
$e$	scalar constant ( $\_1$ )

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g dimensionless normal distance  
/ dimensionless heat absorption coefficient  
r fluid electrical conductivity

q fluid density

l fluid dynamic viscosity

m fluid kinematic viscosity

s friction coefficient

h dimensionless temperature

**Superscripts**

0 differentiation with respect to y

\* dimensional properties

**Subscripts**

p plate

w wall condition

$\infty$  free stream condition

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