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# Radiative boundary-layer flow of an MHD Maxwell fluid with non-linear chemical reaction and heat source in a permeable channel

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https://doi.org/10.18280/ijht.360438	ABSTRACT
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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The fluid flows in permeable wall channels has play a vital role in several areas such as medical and engineering. Hayat et al. [1-2] investigated Maxwell fluid with radiative MHD in a leaky channel. Vijayalakshmi et al. [3] examined unsteady Casson fluid flow through a vertical channel. Ojjela et al. [4] studied chemically reactive flow of micropolar fluid transfer with ion slip.

Second-grade fluid modal is describing the simplest way of rheological equation exhibited by some non-Newtonian fluids. However, the second-grade fluid does not give suitable results for high Deborah number polymer melts fluids flow. For such situations, the Maxwell model is the best fluid modal in this area. Ibrahim [5] investigated Maxwell fluid flow on stretching sheet with induced magnetic field. Gireesh et al. [6] analyzed Maxwell fluid flow with fluid-particle suspension. Sandeep et al. [7] examined different non-Newtonian nano-particle fluids flow over a stretching surface. Sui et al. [8] proposed Cattaneoe Christov heat flux in Maxwell fluid on a stretching surface. Andersson et al. [9] investigated chemically reactive flow on stretching surface. Prasad et al. [10] examined variable thermos-physical properties of UCM fluid. Mukhopadhyay et al. [11] analyzed UCM fluid flow with chemical reaction. Palani et al. [12] examined UCM fluid flow with non-linear chemical reaction. Naramgari et al. [13] proposed nanofluid flow on porous stretching/shrinking sheet. Parmar et al. [14-16] studied the various MHD non-Newtonian fluid flow on different surface under the various physical parameter effect. Jain et al. [17-18] examined MHD flow for viscous fluid due to different surface. Gorla et al. [19-20] proposed convective and chemical reactive slip flow of Williamson fluid over stretching/shrinking sheet with nonlinear thermal radiation.

In this study, we have examined Maxwell fluid flow in a porous channel embedded porous medium. We have considered thermal radiation, inclined MHD, non-linear chemical reaction, heat source and thermophoretic effect on velocity, heat and mass profiles. The effects of physical parameters on the velocity, heat and mass profiles are analyzed with the help of graphs.

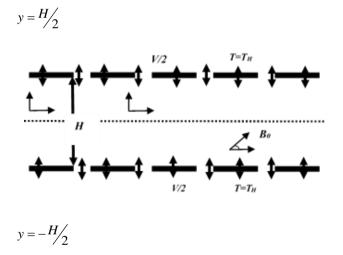


Figure 1. Physically representation of problem

## 2. MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION

Considered an incomparable radiative boundary-layer flow of non-Newtonian Maxwell fluid with non-linear chemical reaction, heat source embedded porous medium in a channel with permeable walls at  $y = \pm \frac{H}{2}$ . A magnetic field is applied at an angle  $\alpha$  to the fluid flow. On the flow field, no applied voltage or polarization voltage is imposed, therefore electric field has been taken  $\vec{E} = 0$ . Joule heating and hall effect are neglected. Hence the Lorentz force depends only on magnetic field. Upper and lower wall temperature is  $T_H$ . The continuity, velocity, heat and mass equations are given by

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$u\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = v\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - k_0 \left( u^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + v^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + 2uv\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x\partial y} \right) - \frac{\sigma B_0^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{\rho} \left( u + k_0 v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{v\phi}{k_p} u$$
(2)

$$u\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{k}{\rho C_p}\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} - \frac{1}{\rho C_p}\frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y} + \frac{Q_0}{\rho C_p}T + \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2$$
(3)

$$u\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = D_m \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} - k_n (C)^n - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (V_T C)$$
(4)

where u(x, y) and v(x, y) are the horizontal and vertical velocity components,  $\rho$ , v and  $\rho C_p$  are respectively is fluid density, kinematic viscosity and heat capacities of particles. T: temperature fluid temperature.

Boundary conditions are following

$$v = 0, \ \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = 0, \ \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = 0 \qquad \text{at } y = 0$$

$$u \to 0, v = \frac{V}{2}, \ T \to T_H, \ C \to C_H \ \text{at } y \to \frac{H}{2}$$
(5)

In which V> 0: suction and V< 0: blowing. Following Rosseland approximation  $q_r$ , the radiation heat flux is given

$$T^{4} \approx -3T_{H}^{4} + 4T_{H}^{3}T$$

$$\frac{\partial q_{r}}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{-4\sigma}{3k^{*}} \frac{\partial T^{4}}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{-4\sigma}{3k^{*}} \frac{\partial (-3T_{H}^{4} + 4T_{H}^{3}T)}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$= \frac{-16\sigma T_{H}^{3}}{3k^{*}} \frac{\partial^{2}T}{\partial y^{2}}$$
(6)

Thermophoretic velocity  $V_T$  is defined is as follows

$$V_T = -\frac{k_V \nu}{T_r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \tag{7}$$

Here  $T_r$  is the reference temperature,  $k_V$  is the thermophoretic coefficient [21-22] is given by

$$k_{V} = \frac{2c_{b}(\lambda_{g} / \lambda_{p} + c_{t}k_{n})(c_{1} + c_{2}e^{-c_{3}/k_{n}})}{(1 + 3c_{m}k_{n})(1 + 2\lambda_{g} / \lambda_{p} + 2c_{t}k_{n})}$$
(8)

Also, where  $c_1, c_2, c_3, c_m, c_b, c_t$  are constants and  $\lambda_g, \lambda_p$  are thermal conductivity of the fluid and diffused particles correspondingly and  $k_n$  is the Knudsen number.

# **3. SOLUTION**

We now introduce the following relations for u, v as

$$u = -Vx^* f'(y^*), v = Vf(y^*), x^* = \frac{x}{H}, y^* = \frac{y}{H},$$
  

$$\theta(y^*) = \frac{T}{T_H}, \ \phi(y^*) = \frac{T}{T_H}$$
(9)

Equation (2) and (5) thus reduces to the following non-dimensional form

$$f'''(1 - \operatorname{De} f^{2}) + 2Def f'f'' - M \sin^{2} \alpha \left(\operatorname{Re} f' + De f f''\right)$$
$$-K_{p}f' + \operatorname{Re}\left(f'^{2} - f''f\right) = 0$$
(10)

$$\theta''\left(1+\frac{4}{3}R\right) + \Pr\left(Ec f''^2 - \operatorname{Re} f \theta' + Q \theta\right) = 0$$
(11)

$$\phi'' + Sc \left( K_n \phi^n + \operatorname{Re} f \phi' + \tau_1 \left( \phi \theta'' + \phi' \theta' \right) \right) = 0$$
(12)

Boundary conditions (5) reduces as:

$$y = 0; \quad f = 0, \; \theta' = 0, \; \phi' = 0$$
  

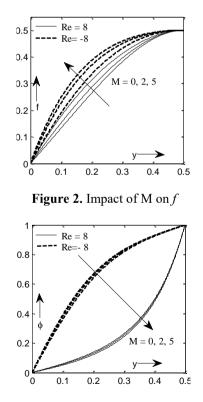
$$y = 1/2; \quad f = 1/2, \; f' = 0, \; \theta = 1, \phi = 1$$
(13)

Where  $Pr = \frac{\mu C_p}{k}$ : Prandtl number,  $R = \frac{4\sigma T_H^3}{kk_*}$ : radiation parameter, k \*: thermal radiation parameter,  $Ec = \frac{V^2 x^{*^2}}{T_H C_p}$ : Eckert number,  $M = \frac{\sigma B_0^2 H}{v\rho}$ : magnetic field parameter,  $\lambda$ : the relaxation time,  $k_p$ : permeability of the porous medium,  $Q = \frac{H^2}{\mu C_p}Q^*$ : heat source parameter,:  $\tau_1 = -\frac{k_v T_H}{T_r}$ : thermophoretic parameter,  $Sc = \frac{v}{D_m}$ : Schmidt number,  $K_n = \frac{H^2 k_n}{v} (C_H)^{n-1}$ : chemical reaction parameter, k: thermal conductivity,  $De = \frac{\lambda V^2}{v}$ : Deborah number,  $Re = \frac{HV}{v}$ : Reynolds number (Re<0 injection case and Re>0: suction case ),  $K_p = \frac{H^2}{k_p}$ : porosity parameter.

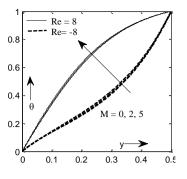
#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this paper, The fix value of physical parameters are M=2, Kp=0.5, Pr=2, Ec=1,  $\tau_1$  =0.1, Sc=2, R=0.5, Q=0.5, Kn=0.5, n=1, De=0.5, Re=8,  $\alpha = \pi/4$  and excluding the varied value of particular graph with specific two boundary condition such as permeable and melting surface. Several sets of numerical solutions have been carried out for different combinations of pertinent parameters namely, Reynolds number (Re), Deborah number De, chemical reaction parameter (Kn), heat source (Q), radiation parameter (R), thermophoretic parameter  $(\tau_1)$  and Hartman number (M) on f, f',  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  profiles. From figs. (2-4) increasing M causes rise in f and  $\theta$  profiles and exactly reverse effect have been observed for the  $\phi$  profile. Fig (5) shows that enhancement in M, causes increase in f' profile for suction case and f'suppress for injection case. Physically, magnetic field has produced a drag-like force called the Lorentz force which acts opposite direction on the flow, causing a flow retardation and enhancement thermal energy and concentration. Figs. (6-7) shows that rising the Kp causes enhancement in f and f'

profile. Fig (8) depicts that enhancement in Kp, keep rising in  $\theta$  for suction case and suppress  $\theta$  profile for injection case. Fig (9) increases the Kp, suppress  $\phi$  in suction case and rising  $\phi$  profile in injection case. From Figs. (10-13) it is observed that for non-Newtonian fluid f, f' and  $\theta$  profiles increases and  $\phi$  profile decreases with the increase in  $\alpha$ . With increase in R,  $\theta$  profile decreases in suction case and increases in injection case, as shown in figs. (14). Generally, increasing values of R, the mean absorption coefficient decreases, which results in rise to the divergence of radiative heat flux. Hence, the rate of radiative heat transferred to the fluid shoot up, so that the fluid temperature increases. Figs (15-16) shows the  $\theta$  profile act against the similarity variable n for various values of Q and Ec. We examined from these figs that the increases thermal boundary layer thickness as Q and Ec increases in both suction and injection cases. With increase in Pr,  $\theta$  profile increases in suction case and decreases in injection case, as shown in figs. (17). Prandtl number is ratio of velocity diffusivity to heat diffusivity. Prandtl number can be used to increase the rate of cooling in conducting flows. From figs (18-19) increases the  $\tau_1$  and Kn reduces the  $\phi$  profiles in both boundary condition. Kn increases the interfacial mass transfer rate. Kn reduces the local concentration, thus increases its concentration gradient and its flux. From fig (20) increasing the value of Sc, reduces the  $\phi$  profiles in suction case and increases in injection case. Physically, it is due to the fact that Sc is the ratio of velocity to concentration diffusivities which means that when Sc increases, mass diffusivity decreases and there is a reduction in concentration. Fig (21) increasing n whereas enhancement the  $\phi$  profiles. Table 1 shows the comparison of the present results with the existed results of Hayat at al. [2].



**Figure 3.** Impact M on  $\phi$  profile



**Figure 4.** Impact of M on  $\theta$ 

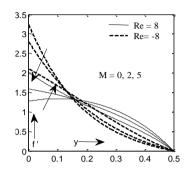


Figure 5. Impact of M on f

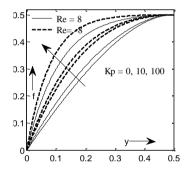


Figure 6. Impact Kp on f profile

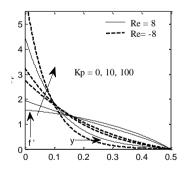
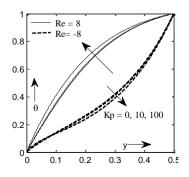
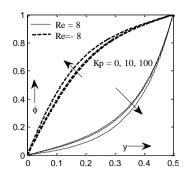


Figure 7. Impact Kp on f' profile



**Figure 8.** Impact Kp on  $\theta$  profile



**Figure 9.** Impact Kp on  $\phi$  profile

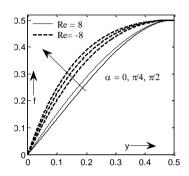


Figure 10. Impact  $\alpha$  on f profile

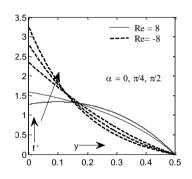
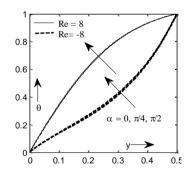
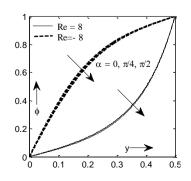


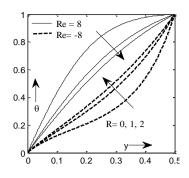
Figure 11. Impact  $\alpha$  on f' profile



**Figure 12.** Impact  $\alpha$  on  $\theta$  profile



**Figure 13.** Impact  $\alpha$  on  $\phi$  profile



**Figure 14.** Impact R on  $\theta$  profile

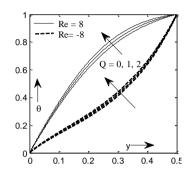
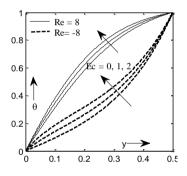


Figure 15. Impact Q on  $\theta$  profile



**Figure 16.** Impact Ec on  $\theta$  profile

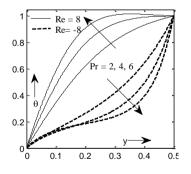
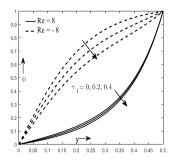
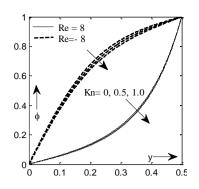
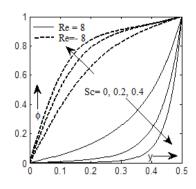


Figure 17. Impact Pr on  $\theta$  profile



**Figure 18.** Impact  $\tau_1$  on  $\phi$  profile



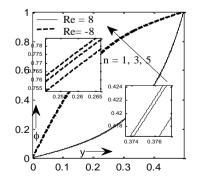


**Figure 19.** Impact Kn on  $\phi$  profile

Figure 20. Impact Sc on  $\phi$  profile

**Table 1.** Numerical values of local Nusselt number for the suction case. When  $\alpha = \pi/2$ 

Re	Μ	Кр	De	R	Pr	Ec	Hayat at al. [2]	Present study
0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.500753	1.5007536
5							1.635831	1.63583198
10							1.786391	1.78639163
20							2.182340	2.18234023
5	0.0						1.632181	1.63218198
	2						1.651119	1.65111989
	4						1.701858	1.70185866
	8						1.835777	1.83577732
	1	0.0					1.634007	1.63400722
		4					1.643906	1.64390633
		8					1.659531	1.65953196
		16					1.701858	1.70185828
		1	0.0				1.632262	1.63226296
			1.0				1.635831	1.63583163
			1.5				1.639995	1.63999589
			2.0				1.647842	1.64784212
			1.0	0.0			1.721740	1.72174023
				0.3			1.659672	1.65967234
				0.6			1.626706	1.62670643
				0.9			1.606267	1.60626756
				0.5	0.2		0.625678	0.62567865
					0.4		1.289103	1.28910376
					0.6		1.993054	1.99305428
					0.8		2.740532	2.74053239
					0.5	0.5	1.635831	1.63583151
						1.0	3.271662	3.27166284
						1.5	4.907493	4.90749373
						2.0	6.543324	6.54332462



**Figure 21.** Impact *n* on  $\phi$  profile

## 5. CONCLUSION

Radiative boundary-layer flow of a MHD Maxwell fluid with non-linear chemical reaction, heat source, thermophoretic effect embedded in porous medium is investigated in a permeable channel. The nonlinear PDEs are convert into an ODEs and solved numerically using the bvp4c solver. Our computations have indicated that:

- Increase in M, Kp enhances f profile
- Increase in M rising f' for suction case and f' suppress for injection case.
- Increase in Q and Ec enhances the  $\theta$  profile.
- Increase in  $\tau_1$  and Kn increases the  $\phi$  profile.
- Increase in Pr reduces the  $\theta$  profile in injection condition and rising  $\theta$  profile in suction condition.

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## NOMENCLATURE

R	radiation parameter
V	Suction /injection parameter
Re	Reynold number
De	Deborah number
k	thermal conductivity
Pr	Prandtl number
Q	Heat source
M	Magnetic field parameter
Sc	Schmit number
Kn	Chemical reaction
n	Order of Chemical reaction

### **Greek symbols**

$\theta$	Dimensionless temperature
$\phi$	Dimensionless concentration.
α	Inclined angle of magnetic field
ρ	Fluid density