



Effect of variable suction and radiative heat transfer on magnetohydrodynamic couette flow through a porous medium in the slip flow regime

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ABSTRACT

The objective of this paper is to analyze the effect of variable suction and radiative heat transfer on unsteady magnetohydrodynamic free convective couette flow of a viscous incompressible electrically conducting fluid in the slip flow regime in presence of variable suction and radiative heat source. The governing equations of the flow field are solved employing perturbation technique and the expressions for the velocity, temperature, skin friction and the rate of heat transfer i.e. the heat flux in terms of Nusselts number N_u are obtained. The effects of the pertinent parameters such as magnetic parameter M , permeability parameter K_p , Grashof number for heat transfer G_r , radiation parameter F , suction parameters α_1, α_2 ; slip flow parameters h_1, h_2 ; Prandtl number P_r etc. on the flow field have been studied and the results are presented graphically and discussed quantitatively. The problem has some relevance in geophysical, astrophysical and cosmical studies.

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1. Introduction

The phenomenon of magnetohydrodynamic couette flow with heat transfer has been a subject of interest of many researchers because of its possible applications in many branches of science and technology. Channel flows through porous media have several engineering and geophysical applications such as in the field of chemical engineering for filtration and purification process, in the field of agricultural engineering to study the underground resources, in the petroleum industry to study the movement of natural gas, oil and water through the oil channels and reservoirs.

In recent years, flow through porous media has been a subject of general interest of many researchers. A series of investigations have been made by different scholars where the porous medium is either bounded by horizontal or vertical surfaces. Tao [1] studied the magnetohydrodynamic effects on the formation of couette flow. Sattar [2] reported the free and forced convection boundary layer flow through a porous medium with large suction. Sattar and Alam [3] analyzed the effect of thermal diffusion and transpiration on MHD free convective and mass transfer flow past an accelerated vertical porous plate. Attia and Kotb [4] have investigated the magnetohydrodynamic flow between two parallel plates with heat transfer. Das *et al.* [5] investigated the hydromagnetic flow and heat transfer between two stretched/squeezed horizontal porous plates. Nagraju *et al.* [6] estimated the effect of simultaneous radiative and convective heat transfer in a variable porosity medium. Taneja and Jain [7] explained the hydromagnetic flow in the slip flow regime with time dependent suction. Das and his associates [8] discussed the hydromagnetic flow and heat transfer of an elasto-viscous fluid between two horizontal parallel porous plates employing finite difference scheme.

The problem of oscillatory MHD slip flow along a porous vertical wall in a medium with variable suction in the presence of radiation was analyzed numerically by Ogulu and Prakash [9]. Makinde [10] investigated the free convection flow with thermal radiation and mass transfer past a moving vertical porous plate. Das and his co-workers [11] discussed the laminar flow of an elasto-viscous Rivlin-Ericksen fluid through porous parallel plates with suction and injection, the lower plate being stretched. Ogulu and Motsa [12] investigated the problem of radiative heat transfer to magnetohydrodynamic couette flow with variable wall temperature. Cortell [13] studied the flow and heat transfer of a fluid through a porous medium over a stretching surface with internal heat generation/absorption and suction/ blowing. Das and his co-workers [14] analyzed the effect of heat source and variable magnetic field on unsteady hydromagnetic flow of a viscous stratified field past a porous flat moving plate in the slip flow regime. In a separate paper Das *et al.* [15] studied the hydromagnetic three dimensional couette flow and heat transfer. Recently, Das and his associates [16] estimated the effect of mass transfer on free convective MHD flow of a viscous fluid bounded by an oscillating porous plate in the slip flow regime in presence of heat source. Sharma and Singh [17] investigated the unsteady MHD free convective flow and heat transfer along a vertical porous plate with variable suction and internal heat generation

The study reported herein theoretically analyzes the effect of variable suction and radiative heat transfer on unsteady hydromagnetic free convective couette flow of a viscous incompressible electrically conducting fluid in the slip flow regime. The governing equations of the flow fluid are solved for velocity, temperature, skin friction and rate of heat transfer and the effects of the pertinent parameters on the flow fluid have

been analyzed and the results are presented graphically and discussed quantitatively.

2. Formulation of the problem

Consider a two dimensional unsteady free convective magnetohydrodynamic flow of a viscous incompressible electrically conducting fluid between two vertical parallel porous plates placed at a distance d apart in the slip flow regime in presence of variable suction and radiative heat source. Let the medium between the plates be filled with a porous material of permeability

$$K'(t') = K_0(1 + \varepsilon B e^{-\omega t'})$$

and a time dependent suction

$$v'(t') = -v'_0(1 + \varepsilon A e^{-\omega t'})$$

be applied at the plate $y=0$ and the same injection velocity be applied at the plate $y=1$. We choose x -axis along the plate and y -axis normal to it. Under the above conditions the equations governing the flow are:

Momentum equation:

$$\frac{\partial u'}{\partial t'} - v'_0(1 + \varepsilon A e^{-\omega t'}) \frac{\partial u'}{\partial y'} = g\beta(T' - T'_h) + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u'}{\partial y'^2} - \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho} u' - \frac{\nu}{K'(t')} u' \quad (1)$$

Energy equation:

$$\frac{\partial T'}{\partial t'} - v'_0(1 + \varepsilon A e^{-\omega t'}) \frac{\partial T'}{\partial y'} = \frac{k}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial^2 T'}{\partial y'^2} - \frac{1}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y'} \quad (2)$$

The boundary conditions of the problem are:

$$u' - U_1 = L_1 \frac{\partial u'}{\partial y'}, \quad \frac{\partial T'}{\partial y'} = -\frac{q}{k}, \quad \text{at } y' = 0,$$

$$u' - U_2 = L_2 \frac{\partial u'}{\partial y'}, \quad T' = T'_h, \quad \text{at } y' = d, \quad (3)$$

$$L_1 = \frac{(2 - \mu_1)}{\mu_1} L$$

where μ_1 , L being the mean free path and μ_1 , the Maxwell's reflection coefficient.

The radiative heat flux q_r is given by

$$\frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y'} = 4(T' - T'_h)I \quad (4)$$

where $I = \int k_{\lambda w} \frac{\partial e_{b\lambda}}{\partial T} d\lambda$, $k_{\lambda w}$ is the absorption

coefficient at the wall, $e_{b\lambda}$ is Planck's function and λ is the frequency, u' is the velocity, T' is the temperature, B_0 is the uniform transverse magnetic field, β is the volumetric coefficient of expansion for heat transfer, β^* is the volumetric coefficient of expansion for mass transfer, k is the thermal conductivity, ν is the kinematic viscosity, C_p is the specific heat at constant pressure, σ is the electrical conductivity, g is the acceleration due to gravity, A and B are the real positive constants, t is the time and ε is a small positive number such that $\varepsilon A \ll 1$ and $\varepsilon B \ll 1$.

Introducing the following non-dimensional variables and parameters,

$$y = \frac{y'v'_0}{\nu}, t = \frac{t'v'_0{}^2}{\nu}, \omega = \frac{\nu\omega'}{v'_0{}^2}, u = \frac{u'}{v'_0}, v = \frac{\eta_0}{\rho}, M = \left(\frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho} \right) \frac{\nu}{v'_0{}^2}$$

$$K_p = \frac{v'_0{}^2 K'_0}{\nu^2},$$

$$\theta = \frac{kv'_0(T' - T'_h)}{\nu q}, P_r = \frac{\rho\nu C_p}{k}, G_r = \frac{\nu^2 g\beta q}{kv'_0{}^4}, F = \frac{4\nu I}{\rho C_p v'_0{}^2}$$

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{U_1}{v_0}, \alpha_2 = \frac{U_2}{v_0}, R = \frac{v'_0 d}{\nu}, h_1 = \frac{L_1 v'_0}{\nu}, h_2 = \frac{L_2 v'_0}{\nu} \quad (5)$$

in equations (1)-(2), we get the following non-dimensional equations

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - (1 + \varepsilon A e^{-\omega t}) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = G_r \theta + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \left(M + \frac{1}{K_p(1 + \varepsilon B e^{-\omega t})} \right) u \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} - (1 + \varepsilon A e^{-\omega t}) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{P_r} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} - F\theta \quad (7)$$

The corresponding boundary conditions are:

$$u = \alpha_1 + h_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = -1, \quad \text{at } y = 0$$

$$u = \alpha_2 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \quad \theta = 0, \quad \text{at } y = d \quad (8)$$

3. Method of Solution

We now seek the solutions for equations (6)-(7) under boundary conditions (8) for a particular case $R=1$, which is valid for an incompressible fluid. In order to solve equations (6) - (7), we assume

$$u(y, t) = u_0(y) + \varepsilon u_1(y) e^{-\omega t} + O(\varepsilon^2), \quad (9)$$

$$\theta(y, t) = \theta_0(y) + \varepsilon \theta_1(y) e^{-\omega t} + O(\varepsilon^2). \quad (10)$$

Using equations (9)-(10) in equations (6)-(7), we get the following zeroth order and first order equations:

Zeroth order:

$$-\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} = G_r \theta_0 + \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial y^2} - \left(M + \frac{1}{K_p} \right) u_0 \quad (11)$$

$$-\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{P_r} \frac{\partial^2 \theta_0}{\partial y^2} - F\theta_0 \quad (12)$$

First order:

$$-\omega u_1 - A \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} = G_r \theta_1 + \frac{\partial^2 u_1}{\partial y^2} - \left(M + \frac{1}{K_p} \right) u_1 + \frac{B u_0}{K_p} \quad (13)$$

$$-\omega \theta_1 - A \frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{P_r} \frac{\partial^2 \theta_1}{\partial y^2} - F\theta_1 \quad (14)$$

The corresponding boundary conditions are

$$u_0 = \alpha_1 + h_1 \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, u_1 = h_1 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial y} = -1, \frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \text{at } y = 0$$

$$u_0 = \alpha_2 + h_2 \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}, u_1 = h_2 \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y}, \theta_0 = 0, \theta_1 = 0, \quad \text{at } y = 1 \quad (15)$$

The solutions of equations (11) - (14) under boundary condition (15) are given by

$$u(y,t) = (A_5 e^{n_1 y} + A_6 e^{n_2 y} - B_3 e^{m_1 y} - B_4 e^{m_2 y}) + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} (A_7 e^{n_3 y} + A_8 e^{n_4 y} + B_5 e^{m_1 y} + B_6 e^{m_2 y} - B_7 e^{m_3 y} - B_8 e^{m_4 y} - B_9 e^{n_1 y} - B_{10} e^{n_2 y}), \tag{16}$$

$$\theta(y,t) = (A_1 e^{m_1 y} + A_2 e^{m_2 y}) + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} (A_3 e^{m_3 y} + A_4 e^{m_4 y} - B_1 e^{m_1 y} - B_2 e^{m_2 y}) \tag{17}$$

The wall shear stress i.e. the skin friction at the wall is given by

$$\tau = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} = \left(\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} \tag{18}$$

Using equation (16) in equation (18), it is given by $\tau = (n_1 A_5 + n_2 A_6 - m_1 B_3 - m_2 B_4) + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} (n_3 A_7 + n_4 A_8 + m_1 B_5 + m_2 B_6 - m_3 B_7 - m_4 B_8 - n_1 B_9 - n_2 B_{10})$. (19)

The rate of heat transfer i.e. the heat flux at the wall in terms of Nusselts number is given by

$$N_u = \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} = \left(\frac{\partial \theta_0}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} \left(\frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0} \tag{20}$$

Using equation (17) in equation (20), it is given by $N_u = (m_1 A_1 + m_2 A_2) + \varepsilon e^{-\omega t} (m_3 A_3 + m_4 A_4 - m_1 B_1 - m_2 B_2)$ (21)

where,

$$m_1 = -\frac{P_r}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{P_r^2 + 4P_r F}$$

$$m_2 = -\frac{P_r}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{P_r^2 + 4P_r F}$$

$$m_3 = -\frac{P_r}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{P_r^2 - 4P_r(\omega - F)}$$

$$m_4 = -\frac{P_r}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{P_r^2 - 4P_r(\omega - F)}$$

$$n_1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 4 \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} \right)}, \quad n_2 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 4 \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} \right)}$$

$$n_3 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 4 \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}$$

$$n_4 = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 4 \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}, \quad A_1 = \frac{e^{m_2}}{(m_2 e^{m_1} - m_1 e^{m_2})}$$

$$A_2 = -\frac{A_1 e^{m_1}}{e^{m_2}}, \quad A_3 = \frac{e^{m_4} (B_1 m_1 + B_2 m_2) - m_4 (B_1 e^{m_1} + B_2 e^{m_2})}{(m_3 e^{m_4} - m_4 e^{m_3})}$$

$$A_4 = \frac{B_1 m_1 + B_2 m_2 - A_3 m_3}{m_4}$$

$$A_5 = \frac{E_3 E_5 - E_2 E_6}{E_1 E_5 - E_2 E_4}, \quad A_6 = \frac{E_3 - A_5 E_1}{E_2}, \quad A_7 = \frac{E_9 E_{11} - E_8 E_{12}}{E_7 E_{11} - E_8 E_{10}}$$

$$A_8 = \frac{E_9 - A_7 E_7}{E_8}$$

$$B_1 = \frac{AP_r A_1 m_1}{m_1^2 + m_1 P_r + P_r(\omega - F)}, \quad B_2 = \frac{AP_r A_2 m_2}{m_2^2 + m_2 P_r + P_r(\omega - F)},$$

$$B_3 = \frac{G_r A_1}{m_1^2 + m_1 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} \right)}, \quad B_4 = \frac{G_r A_2}{m_2^2 + m_2 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} \right)}$$

$$B_5 = \frac{G_r B_1 + AB_3 m_1 + \frac{BB_3}{K_p}}{m_1^2 + m_1 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}, \quad B_6 = \frac{G_r B_2 + AB_4 m_2 + \frac{BB_4}{K_p}}{m_2^2 + m_2 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}$$

$$B_7 = \frac{G_r A_3}{m_3^2 + m_3 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}, \quad B_8 = \frac{G_r A_4}{m_4^2 + m_4 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}$$

$$B_9 = \frac{AA_5 n_1 + \frac{BA_5}{K_p}}{n_1^2 + n_1 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}, \quad B_{10} = \frac{AA_6 n_2 + \frac{BA_6}{K_p}}{n_2^2 + n_2 - \left(M + \frac{I}{K_p} - \omega \right)}$$

$$E_1 = 1 - h_1 n_1, \quad E_2 = 1 - h_1 n_2,$$

$$E_3 = \alpha_1 + B_3 (1 - h_1 m_1) + B_4 (1 - h_1 m_2), \quad E_4 = e^{n_1} (1 - h_2 n_1),$$

$$E_5 = e^{n_2} (1 - h_2 n_2),$$

$$E_6 = \alpha_2 + B_3 e^{m_1} (1 - h_2 m_1) + B_4 e^{m_2} (1 - h_2 m_2),$$

$$E_7 = 1 - h_1 n_3, \quad E_8 = 1 - h_1 n_4,$$

$$E_9 = -B_5 (1 - h_1 m_1) - B_6 (1 - h_1 m_2) + B_7 (1 - h_1 m_3) + B_8 (1 - h_1 m_4) + B_9 (1 - h_1 n_1) + B_{10} (1 - h_1 n_2),$$

$$E_{10} = e^{n_3} (1 - h_2 n_3),$$

$$E_{11} = e^{n_4} (1 - h_2 n_4),$$

$$E_{12} = -B_5 e^{m_1} (1 - h_2 m_1) - B_6 e^{m_2} (1 - h_2 m_2) + B_7 e^{m_3} (1 - h_2 m_3) + B_8 e^{m_4} (1 - h_2 m_4) + B_9 e^{n_1} (1 - h_2 n_1) + B_{10} e^{n_2} (1 - h_2 n_2).$$

4. Results and of discussion

The effect of variable suction and radiative heat transfer on unsteady hydromagnetic free convective couette flow of a viscous incompressible electrically conducting fluid in the slip flow regime has been studied. The governing equations of the flow fluid are solved for velocity, temperature, skin friction and the rate of heat transfer and the effects of the pertinent parameters on the flow fluid have been discussed with the aid of velocity profiles 1-8, temperature profiles 9-10 and skin friction profiles 11-14.

4.1. Velocity field

The velocity of the flow field suffers a change in magnitude with the variation of the flow parameters. The important flow parameters affecting the velocity field are magnetic parameter M , permeability parameter K_p , Grashof number for heat transfer G_r , radiation parameter F , suction parameters α_1, α_2 and velocity slip parameters h_1, h_2 . The effects of these parameters on the velocity field have been discussed and analyzed with the help of Figures 1-8.

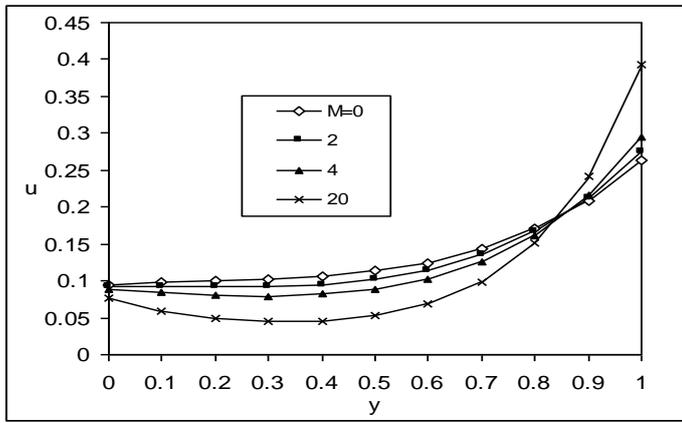


Figure 1. Velocity profiles against y for different values of M with $K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

The effect of magnetic parameter M on the velocity field is shown in Figure 1. A growing magnetic parameter is found to retard the velocity of the flow field up to a certain distance and thereafter effect reverses. Figure 2 depicts the effect of permeability parameter K_p on the velocity field. An increase in permeability parameter tends to accelerate the velocity of the flow field up to a certain distance from the plate and thereafter it reverses the effect. Figure 3 elucidates the effect of Grashof number G_r on the velocity field.

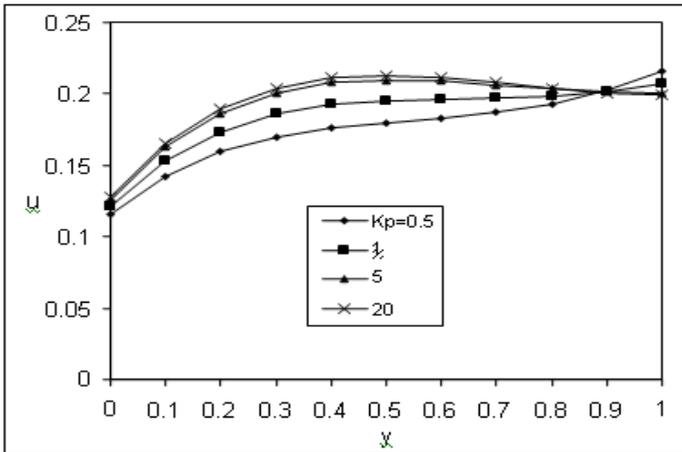


Figure 2. Velocity profiles against y for different values of K_p with $M=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

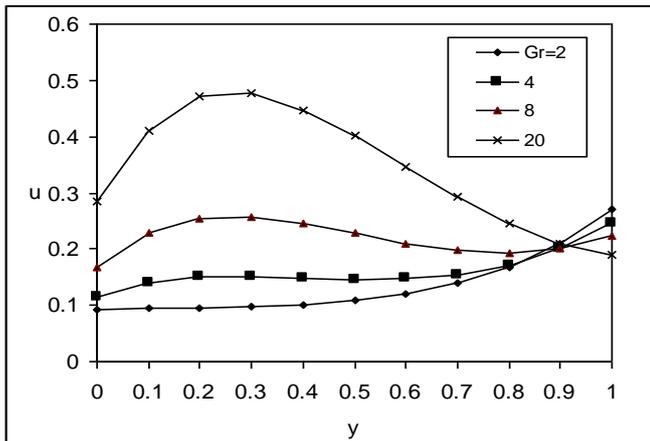


Figure 3. Velocity profiles against y for different values of G_r with $M=1, K_p=1, F=0.1, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

The velocity of the flow field increases at all points of the flow field due to an increase in Grashof number in the flow field. Figure 4 analyses the effect of radiation parameter F on the velocity field. Comparing the curves of the figure it is observed that a growing radiation parameter retards the velocity of the flow field at all points. The effects of suction parameters α_1 and α_2 on the velocity field are discussed in Figures 5 and 6. Both the parameters show an increase in velocity of the flow field at all points in the flow field in a different manner. The parameter α_1 is tending to converge the velocity profiles to a point while the parameter α_2 is tending to diverge the velocity profile from a point. The behaviour of velocity slip parameters h_1 and h_2 are shown in Figures 7 and 8 respectively. Both the parameters tend to enhance the velocity of the flow field at all points in the similar manner as α_1 and α_2 but some discrepancy is found in case of h_2 .

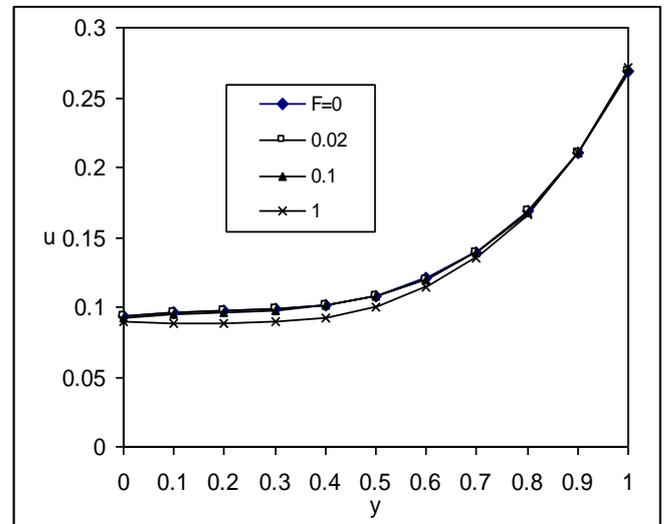


Figure 4. Velocity profiles against y for different values of F with $M=1, K_p=1, G_r=2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

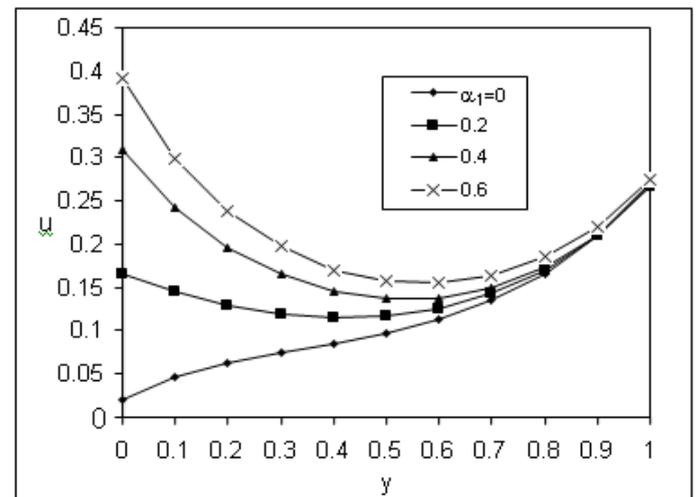


Figure 5. Velocity profiles against y for different values of α_1 with $M=1, K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

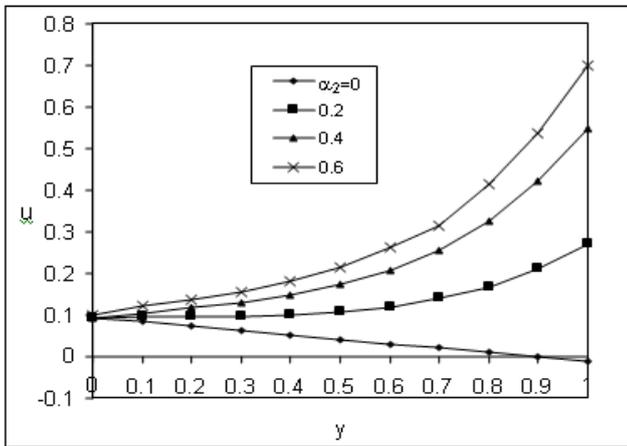


Figure 6. Velocity profiles against y for different values of α_2 with $M=1, K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \alpha_1=0.1, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

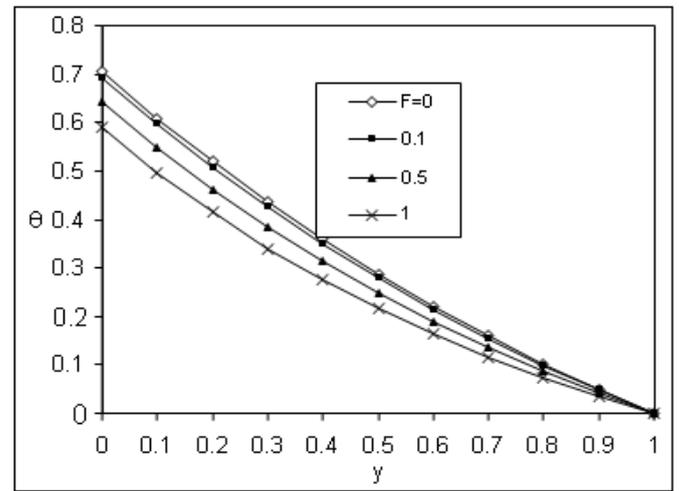


Figure 9. Temperature profiles against y for different values of F with $P_r=0.71, A=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

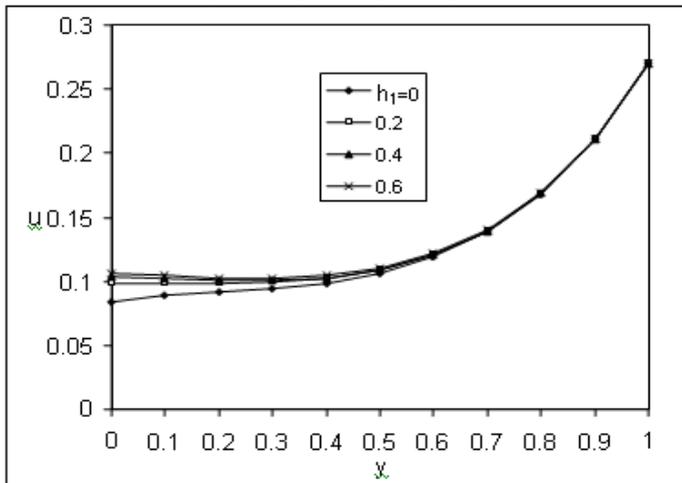


Figure 7. Velocity profiles against y for different values of h_1 with $M=1, K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

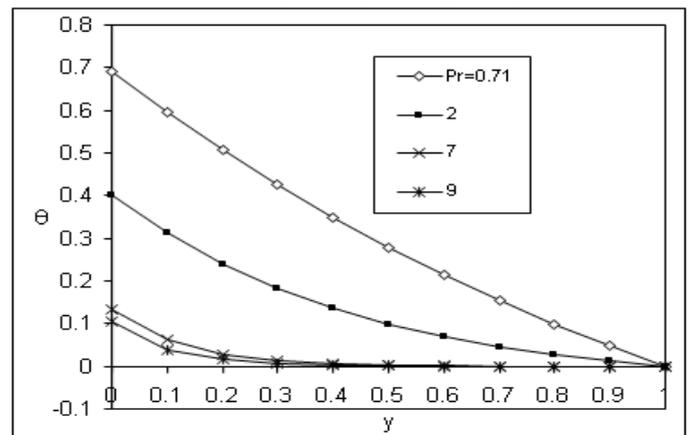


Figure 10. Temperature profiles against y for different values of P_r with $F=0.1, A=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

4.2. Temperature field

The temperature of the flow field varies appreciably with the variation of Prandtl number P_r and radiation parameter F . Figures 9-10 elucidate the effects of these parameters on the temperature field. Comparing the curves of both the figures it is observed that both the parameters show a decrease in temperature of the flow field at all points, but the effect is more pronounced in case of Prandtl number P_r .

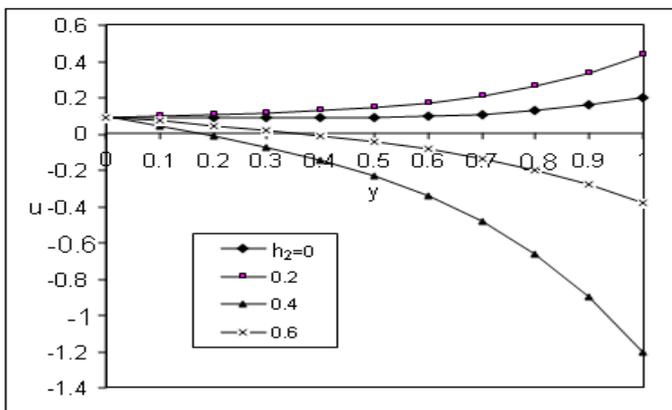


Figure 8. Velocity profiles against y for different values of h_2 with $M=1, K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

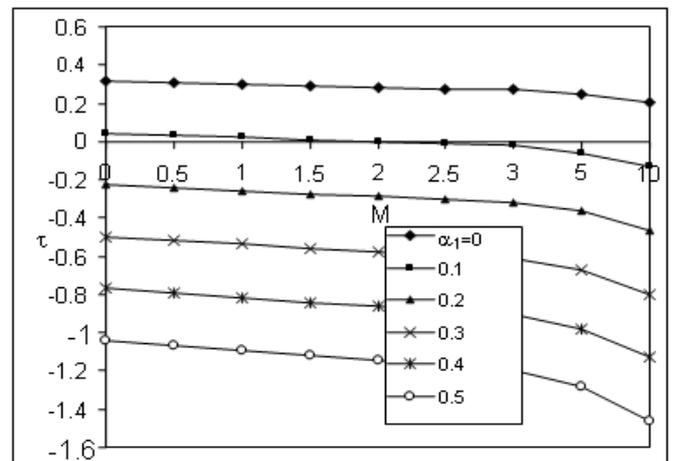


Figure 11. Skin friction profiles against M for different values of α_1 with $K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

4.3. Skin friction

The variations in the value of skin-friction τ at the wall with the change of flow parameters are shown in Figures 11-14. Figures 11 and 12 depict the effects of suction parameters α_1 and α_2 on the skin friction at the wall. A growing suction parameter α_1 decreases the skin friction at the wall while the other suction parameter α_2 increases it at all points. Keeping α_1 and α_2 constant a growing magnetic parameter is found to

decrease the skin friction at the wall. Figure 13 analyzes the effect of Grashof number G_r and magnetic parameter M on the skin friction at the plate. A growing Grashof number enhances the skin friction while the magnetic parameter reduces its value at all points. Figure 14 discusses the effect of radiation parameter F and magnetic parameter M on the skin friction at the wall. A comparison of curves of the figure shows that both the parameters reduce the skin friction at the plate.

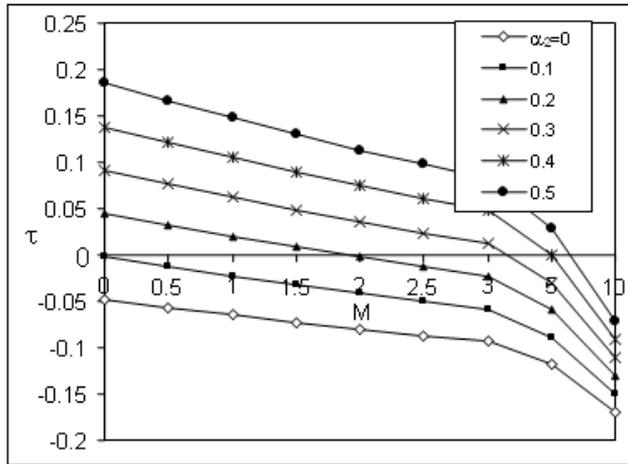


Figure 12. Skin friction profiles against M for different values of α_2 with $K_p=1, G_r=2, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

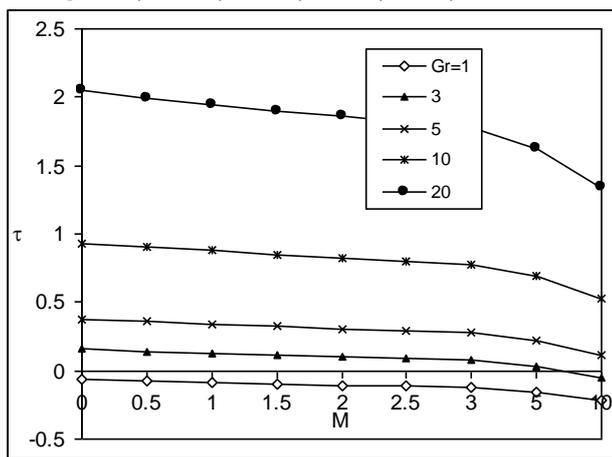


Figure 13. Skin friction profiles against M for different values of G_r with $K_p=1, F=0.1, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

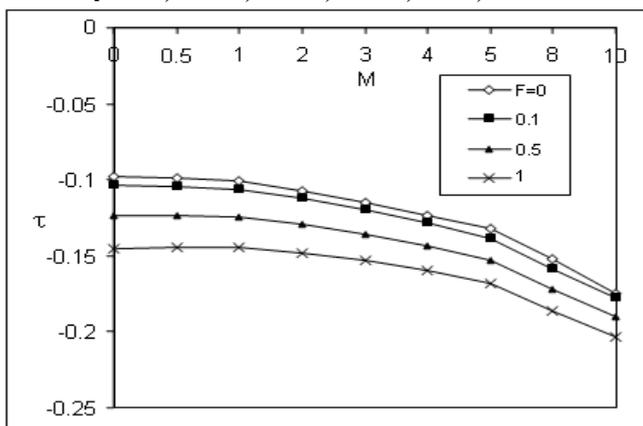


Figure 14. Skin friction profiles against M for different values of F with $K_p=1, G_r=2, \alpha_1=0.1, \alpha_2=0.2, h_1=0.1, h_2=0.1, P_r=0.71, A=0.5, B=0.5, \omega=0.1, t=0.1, \epsilon=0.02$

5. Conclusion

We summarize below some of the important results of physical interest on the velocity, temperature, skin-friction and the rate of heat transfer at the wall in the flow field.

1. A growing magnetic parameter M is found to retard the velocity of the flow field up to a certain distance and thereafter the effect reverses.
2. An increase in permeability parameter K_p tends to accelerate the velocity of the flow field up to a certain distance from the plate and thereafter it reverses the effect.
3. The velocity of the flow field increases at all points of the flow field due to an increase in Grashof number G_r in the flow field.
4. A growing radiation parameter F retards the velocity of the flow field at all points.
5. Both of the suction parameters α_1 and α_2 show an increase in velocity of the flow field at all points in the flow field in a different manner. The parameter α_1 is tending to converge the velocity profiles to a point while the parameter α_2 is tending to diverge the velocity profile from a point.
6. Both of the velocity slip parameters h_1 and h_2 tend to enhance the velocity of the flow field at all points in the similar manner as α_1 and α_2 but some discrepancy is found in case of h_2 .
7. Both Prandtl number P_r and radiation parameter F show a decrease in temperature of the flow field at all points, but the effect is more pronounced in case of Prandtl number P_r .
8. A growing suction parameter α_1 decreases the skin friction at the wall while the other suction parameter α_2 increases it at all points. On the other, a growing magnetic parameter is found to decrease the skin friction at the wall.
9. A growing Grashof number G_r enhances the skin friction while the magnetic parameter M reduces its value at all points.
10. Both radiation parameter F and magnetic parameter M reduce the skin friction at the plate.

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