

Magnetic Field and Thermal Radiation Effect on Heat and Mass Transfer of Air Flow near a Moving Infinite Plate with a Constant Heat Sink

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Abstract

Analytical investigation on a combined heat and mass transfer of air flow near a continuously moving infinite plate with a constant heat sink is performed in the presence of a uniform magnetic field. To observe the thermal radiation and Soret effect on the flow, thermal radiation and thermal diffusion term are added in energy and concentration equations. A flow of model is established by employing the well known boundary layer approximations. In order to obtain non-dimensional system of equations, a similarity transformation is applied on the flow model. Perturbation technique is used as main tool for the analytical approach. The numerical values of flow variables are computed by a FORTRAN program. The obtain numerical values of fluid velocity, temperature and species concentration are drawn for the different values of various parameters. To observe the effects of various parameters on the flow variables, the results are discussed in detailed with the help of graph.

Keywords

Viscous Fluid, MHD, Thermal Radiation, Heat Sink, Chemical Reaction, Soret Effects

1. Introduction

Fluid dynamics is the science which is concerned with the study of motion of fluids or that of bodies in contract of fluids. Fluids are classified as liquids and gases. The former are mot sensibly compressible expect under the

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action heavy forces whereas the latter are easily compressible and expand to fill any closed space. The heat transfer processes are of great interest in power engineering, metallurgy, astrophysics and geophysics. The processes of mass transfer have of great interest in the production of materials in order to obtain the desired properties of a substance. Chemical reactions including combustion processes are often decisively determined by the mass transfer. The combined heat and mass transfer occur due to buoyancy forces caused by temperature difference and concentration difference. A natural convective heat transfer flow of fluid was first studied by *Finston* (1956) [1]. *Sparrow* and *Gregg* (1958) computed a similar solution for laminar free convection from a non-isothermal vertical plate [2]. A Finite difference solution of transient free convective flow over an isothermal plate was obtained by *Soundalgekar* and *Ganesan* (1981) [3]. A numerical study on the natural convective cooling problem of a vertical plate was completed by the mass transfer. *Callahan* and *Marner* (1976) studied a free convective unsteady flow with mass transfer past a semi-infinite plate [5]. An investigation on free convective unsteady flow with mass transfer past a semi-infinite plate [5]. An investigation on free convective unsteady flow with mass transfer past an infinite vertical porous plate with constant suction was completed by *Soundalgekar* and *Wavre* (1977) [6]. *Soundalgekar* and *Ganesan* (1980) observed that Transient free convection flow on a semi-infinite vertical plate with mass transfer [7].

Combined heat and mass transfer problems (Jaluria; 1980) are of importance in many processes and have therefore received a considerable amount of attention. In many mass transfer processes, heat transfer considerations arise owing to chemical reaction and are often due to nature of the process [8]. In processes such as drying, evaporation at the surface water body, energy transfer in a wet cooling tower and flow in desert cooler, heat and mass transfer occur simultaneously. The combined heat and mass transfer flows play a special role in power engineering, metallurgy, condensation, evaporation and rectification of a fluid. In the separation processes as drying of solid materials, distillation, extraction and absorption; the combined heat and mass transfer occur due to buoyancy forces caused by temperature difference and concentration difference. Pera and Gebhart (1971) was the first author to study the natural convective heat and mass transfer problem [9]-[14]. Hady, Mohamed and El Shehabey, (2013) focused on the effects of heat source/sink, viscous dissipation, radiation and work done by deformation on flow and heat transfer of a viscoelastic fluid over a nonlinear stretching sheet [15]. Viskanta and Grosh (1962) considered the thermal radiation effects on the boundary layer flow and heat transfer over a wedge in an absorbing and emitting media [16]. Bestman (1990) observed the boundary-layer flow past a semi-infinite heated porous plate for a two-component plasma [17]. Sattar and Alam (1994) considered the thermal-diffusion as well as transpiration effects on MHD free convection and mass transfer flow past an accelerated vertical porous plate [18].

2. Analysis and Solution

2.1. Mathematical Flow

A mixed convective heat and mass transfer unsteady flow of air near an infinite vertical plate is considered here. The flow is assumed to be in the *x*-direction, which is chosen along the plate in upward direction and *y*-axis is normal to it. Initially, it is considered that the plate as well as the fluid particle is at rest at the same temperature $T(=T_{\infty})$ and the same species concentration level $C(=C_{\infty})$ at all points. Where, C_{∞} and T_{∞} are fluid concentration and temperature species of uniform flow respectively. It also assumed that the plate and the fluid particles outside the boundary layer move with a uniform velocity U_0 as well as a magnetic field B of uniform strength is applied normal to the flow region. To realize the model of boundary layer phenomena, we can draw the configuration of the model. The suitable physical configuration with co-ordinate systems is shown in Figure 1.

The unsteady two dimensional problems are governed by the following system of coupled non-linear partial differential equations.

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

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = g \beta \left(T - T_{\infty} \right) + g \beta^* \left(C - C_{\infty} \right) + v \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) - \frac{\sigma' B_0^2 u}{\rho}$$
(2)



Figure 1. Physical configuration with co-ordinate system.

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{\kappa}{\rho c_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{v}{\rho c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 - \frac{Q_0}{\rho c_p} \left(T - T_{\infty}\right) - \frac{1}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y}$$
(3)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = D_m \left(\frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} \right) + \frac{D_m \kappa_T}{c_s c_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} - K_c \left(C - C_\infty \right)$$
(4)

boundary conditions,

$$u = U_0, \ T = T_w, \ C = C_w \text{ at } y = 0$$
$$u = U_0, \ T \to T_\infty, \ C \to C_\infty \text{ at } y \to \infty$$

where, x, y be the Cartesian coordinate; u, v are velocity components, g is the local acceleration due to gravity, β is the is the thermal expansion coefficient, β^* is the is the concentric expansion coefficient, T_w denotes the wall temperature, C_w is the species concentration at the wall, v is the kinematic viscosity, ρ is density, k is thermal conductivity, C_p is specific heat at constant pressure, Q_0 denotes the heat sink, B_0 is uniform magnetic field, q_r unidirectional radiative heat flux, k_c for chemical reaction, D_m is coefficient of mass diffusivity, m is mass per unit area. The radiative heat flux term by using the Rosseland approximation is given by [15].

$$q_r = -\frac{4\sigma_s}{3k_e}\frac{\partial T^4}{\partial y}$$

Where, σ_s is the Stefan-Boltzmann constant and k_e is the mean absorption coefficient, respectively. If temperature differences within the flow are sufficiently small, then the q_r can be linearized by expanding T^4 into the Taylor series about T_{∞} , which after neglecting higher order terms takes the form by [15]. $T^4 \cong 4T_{\infty}^3 T - 3T_{\infty}^4$. Then the Equation (3) becomes,

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{\kappa}{\rho c_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{\rho c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 - \frac{Q_0}{\rho c_p} \left(T - T_{\infty}\right) + \frac{16\sigma_s T_{\infty}^3}{3k_e \rho C_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2}$$
(5)

2.2. Mathematical Formulation

In order to obtain similar solutions we introduce a similarity parameter σ as,

$$\sigma = \sigma(t)$$

Such that σ is the time dependent length scale. In terms of this length scale, a convenient solution of equation is considered as,

$$v = -V_0 \frac{v}{\sigma}$$

Here, the constant V_0 represents a dimensionless normal velocity at the plate which is positive for suction and negative for blowing.

We consider the following dimensionless variables,

$$\eta = \frac{y}{\sigma}$$
$$f(\eta) = \frac{u}{U_0}$$
$$\theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_{\infty}}{T_w - T_{\infty}}$$
$$\phi(\eta) = \frac{C - C_{\infty}}{C_w - C_{\infty}}$$

Then we get,

$$f''(\eta) + f'(\eta) \left[\frac{\eta \sigma}{\upsilon} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} + V_0 \right] + G_r \theta(\eta) + G_m \phi(\eta) - M f(\eta) = 0$$
⁽⁶⁾

$$\theta''(\eta) + P_r E_c f'^2(\eta) + P_r \theta'(\eta) \left[\frac{\sigma \eta}{\upsilon} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} + V_0 \right] - P_r \beta_a \theta(\eta) - P_r R_a \theta''(\eta) = 0$$
⁽⁷⁾

$$\phi''(\eta) + S_c \left[\frac{\sigma\eta}{\upsilon} \frac{\partial\sigma}{\partial t} + V_0\right] \phi'(\eta) + S_c S_o \theta''(\eta) - S_c C_r \phi(\eta) = 0$$
(8)

where, Grashof number, $G_r = \frac{g\beta\sigma^2}{U_0\upsilon} (T_w - T_x)$, modified Grashof number, $G_m = \frac{g\beta^*\sigma^2}{U_0\upsilon} (C_w - C_x)$, Soret number, $S_o = \frac{D_m\kappa_T}{c_sc_p\upsilon} \frac{(T_w - T_x)}{(C_w - C_x)}$, magnetic force parameter, $M = \frac{\sigma'B_0^2\sigma^2}{\rho\upsilon}$, Prandtl number, $P_r = \frac{\rho\upsilon c_p}{\kappa}$, heat

absorption parameter, $\beta_a = \frac{\sigma^2 Q_0}{\nu \rho c_p}$, Eckert number, $E_c = \frac{U_0^2}{\rho c_p (T_w - T_x)}$, chemical reaction parameter $= C_r$,

thermal radiation parameter, $R_a = \frac{16\sigma_s T_{\alpha}^3}{3k_e \rho C_p \nu}$, Schmidt number, $S_c = \frac{\nu}{D_m}$.

Hence following the works of *Sattar* and *Alam* (1994) [18] one can try a class of solutions of the Equations (6), (7) and (8) by assuming that,

$$\frac{\sigma}{\upsilon}\frac{\partial\sigma}{\partial t} = c \quad (c \text{ is a constant}) \tag{9}$$

Now integrating (9) we obtain

$$\sigma = \sqrt{2c\nu t} \tag{10}$$

where the constant of integration is determined through the condition that $\sigma = 0$ when, t = 0. It thus appears from (10) that, by making a realistic choice of c to be equal to 2 in (9) the length scale σ becomes equal to $\sigma = 2\sqrt{vt}$ which exactly corresponds to the usual scaling factor considered for various unsteady boundary layer flows (Schlichting, 1968). Since σ is a scaling factor as well as a similarity parameter, any value of c in (9) would not change the nature of the solution except that the scale would be different. Finally, introducing (9) with c = 2 in Equations (6), (7) and (8) we respectively have the following dimensionless ordinary differential equations.

where, $f_w = 2\eta + V_0$ (Suction Parameter).

The dimensionless similar equations,

$$f''(\eta) + f'(\eta)f_w(\eta) + G_r\theta(\eta) + G_m\phi(\eta) - Mf(\eta) = 0$$
(11)

$$\theta''(\eta) + P_r E_c f'^2(\eta) + P_r \theta'(\eta) f_w(\eta) - P_r \beta_a \theta(\eta) - P_r R_a \theta''(\eta) = 0$$
(12)

$$\phi''(\eta) + S_c f_w(\eta) \phi'(\eta) + S_c S_o \theta''(\eta) - S_c C_r \phi(\eta) = 0$$
(13)

Non-dimensional appropriate boundary conditions,

 $f(\eta) = 1, \ \theta = 1, \ \phi = 1 \text{ at } \eta = 0$ $f(\eta) = 1, \ \theta = 0, \ \phi = 0 \text{ at } \eta \to \infty$

2.3. Mathematical Analysis

Since the solution is sought for the large suction farther transformation can be made as,

$$\xi = \eta f_w, \quad f = f_w^2 F(\xi),$$

$$\theta = f_w^2 H(\xi) \text{ and } \phi = f_w^4 G(\xi)$$

Model with small quantity,

$$F''(\xi) + F'(\xi) + \varepsilon G_r H(\xi) + \varepsilon G_m G(\xi) - MF(\xi)\varepsilon = 0$$
$$H''(\xi) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} A_{24} P_r E_c F'^2(\xi) + A_{24} P_r H'(\xi) - P_r \beta_a \varepsilon A_{24} H(\xi) = 0$$

where, $A_{24} = (1 - P_r R_a)^{-1}$

$$G''(\xi) + S_c G'(\xi) + \varepsilon^2 S_c S_o H''(\xi) - \varepsilon S_c C_r G(\xi) = 0$$

Appropriate boundary conditions,

$$F = \varepsilon, H = \varepsilon, G = \varepsilon^{2} \text{ at } \eta = 0$$
$$F = \varepsilon, H = 0, G = 0 \text{ at } \eta \to 0$$

2.4. Solution

Now, for the large suction $(f_w > 1)$, ε will be very small. Therefore following *Bestman* (1990) [17], *F*, *H* and *G* can be expended in terms of the small perturbation quantity ε ,

$$F(\xi) = \varepsilon F_1(\xi) + \varepsilon^2 F_2(\xi) + \varepsilon^3 F_3(\xi) + \cdots$$
(14)

$$H(\xi) = \varepsilon H_1(\xi) + \varepsilon^2 H_2(\xi) + \varepsilon^3 H_3(\xi) + \cdots$$
(15)

$$G(\xi) = \varepsilon G_1(\xi) + \varepsilon^2 G_2(\xi) + \varepsilon^3 G_3(\xi) + \cdots$$
(16)

The first order equations,

$$F'' + F_1' = 0$$

$$H_1'' + A_{24} P_r E_c F_1'^2 + A_{24} P_r H_1' = 0$$

$$G_1'' + S_c G_1' = 0$$
(17)

with the boundary conditions,

$$F_1 = 1, H = 0, G_1 = \varepsilon \text{ at } \xi = 0$$

$$F_1 = 0, H = 0, G_1 = 0 \text{ at } \xi \to \infty$$

The second order equations,

$$F_{2}'' + F_{2}' + G_{r}H_{1} + G_{m}G_{1} - MF_{1} = 0$$

$$H_{2}'' + 2F_{1}'F_{2}'A_{24}P_{r}E_{c} + A_{24}P_{r}H_{2}' - A_{24}P_{r}\beta_{a}H_{1} = 0$$

$$G_{2}'' + S_{c}G_{2}' - S_{c}C_{r}G_{1} = 0$$

$$(18)$$

with the boundary conditions,

$$F_2 = 0, \quad F_2' = 0, \quad H_2 = 0, \quad G_2 = 0 \quad \text{at } \xi = 0$$
$$F_2' = 0, \quad H_2 = 0, \quad G_2 = 0 \quad \text{at } \xi \to \infty$$

Also the third order equations,

$$F_{3}'' + F_{3}' + G_{r}H_{2} + G_{m}G_{2} + MF_{2} = 0$$

$$H_{3}'' + P_{r}A_{24}F_{2}'^{2}E_{c} + 2A_{24}P_{r}F_{1}'F_{3}' + A_{24}P_{r}H_{3}' - A_{24}P_{r}\beta_{a}H_{2} = 0$$

$$G_{3}'' + S_{c}G_{3}' + S_{c}S_{o}H_{1}'' - S_{c}C_{r}G_{2} = 0$$
(19)

with the boundary conditions,

$$F_3 = 0, F'_3 = 0, H_3 = 0 \text{ and } G_3 = 0 \text{ at } \xi = 0$$

 $F_3 = 0, F'_3 = 0, H_3 = 0 \text{ and } G_3 = 0 \text{ at } \xi \to \infty.$

From Equation (17) we get first order solutions,

$$F_1 = 1, \ H_1 = e^{-P_r A_{24}\xi} \text{ and } G_1 = \varepsilon e^{-S_c\xi}$$

From Equation (18) we get second order solutions,

$$F_{2} = A_{21} e^{-A_{24} P_{r} \xi} + A_{22} e^{-S_{c} \xi} + M(\xi - 1),$$

$$H_{2} = -\beta_{a} e^{-A_{24} P_{r} \xi} \text{ and } G_{2} = -\varepsilon S_{c} C_{r} e^{-S_{c} \xi}$$

From Equation (19) we get third order solutions,

$$F_{3} = A_{31}e^{-A_{24}P_{r}\xi} + A_{23}e^{-S_{c}\xi} + A_{32}e^{-S_{c}\xi}$$
$$-2M^{2}\xi + \frac{M^{2}\xi^{2}}{2} + 2M^{2} + A_{33}e^{-A_{24}P_{r}\xi}$$
$$H_{3} = A_{40}e^{-A_{24}P_{r}\xi} + A_{41}e^{-S_{c}\xi} - A_{42}e^{-2A_{24}P_{2}\xi}$$
$$-A_{43}e^{-2S_{c}\xi} - A_{44}e^{-(A_{24}P_{r}+S_{c})\xi} - A_{24}P_{r}E_{c}M^{2}(\xi-1)$$

and

$$G_{3} = A_{45} e^{-A_{24}P_{r}\xi} + \varepsilon S_{c} C_{r}^{2} e^{-S_{c}\xi}$$

From the Equation (14), (15) and (16) we have series for the solution. Putting the equations of first, second and third order solution in the Equations (14), (15) and (16), we get the values of *F*, *H* and *G*. Substituting the values of *F*, *H* and *G* to the equations $f = f_w^2 F(\xi)$, $\theta = f_w^2 H(\xi)$ and $\phi = f_w^4 G(\xi)$ we get,

The fluid velocity equation,

$$f = e^{-A_{24}P_{r}\xi} \left(\varepsilon A_{21} + \varepsilon^{2} A_{31} + \varepsilon^{2} A_{33} \right) + e^{-S_{c}\xi} \left(\varepsilon A_{22} + \varepsilon^{3} A_{23} + \varepsilon^{2} A_{32} \right)$$
$$+ 1 + \varepsilon^{2} M \left(\xi - 1 \right) + M^{2} \left(2\varepsilon^{2} + \frac{\varepsilon^{2}\xi^{2}}{2} - 2\varepsilon^{2}\xi \right)$$

The fluid temperature equation,

$$\theta = e^{-A_{24}P_r\xi} \left(1 + \varepsilon^2 A_{40} - \varepsilon \beta_a \right) + \varepsilon^2 e^{-S_c\xi} A_{41} + \varepsilon^2 A_{42} e^{-2A_{24}P_r\xi} + \varepsilon^2 A_{43} e^{-2S_c\xi} - \varepsilon^2 A_{44} e^{-(A_{24}P_r + S_c)\xi} - \varepsilon^2 A_{24} P_r E_c M^2 \left(\xi - 1\right)$$

The fluid concentration equation, $\phi = e^{-S_c\xi} - \varepsilon S_c C_r e^{-S_c\xi} + \varepsilon A_{45} e^{-A_{24}P_r\xi} + \varepsilon^2 S_c C_r^2 e^{-S_c\xi}$

3. Results and Discussion

To discuss the results of the problem, the analytical solutions are obtained by using the perturbation technique. In order to analyze the physical situation of the model, we have computed the numerical values of the flow variables for different values of dimensionless normal velocity (V_o) , Grash of number (G_r) , modified Grashof number (G_m) , Schmidt number (S_c) , Eckert number (E_c) , Prandtl Number (P_r) . Soret number (S_o) , magnetic force parameter (M), Chemical reaction parameter (C_r) , thermal radiation parameter (R_a) , heat absorption parameter (β_a) . The fluid velocity, temperature and concentration versus the non-dimensional coordinate variable η are displayed in Figures 2-12.

In Figure 2 velocity profiles increase with the increase of heat absorption parameter β_a . In Figure 3, we observe that velocity profiles increase with the increase of magnetic force parameter M. In Figure 4, velocity profiles decrease with the increase of Prandtl number P_r . In Figure 5, we observe that velocity profiles decrease with the increase of radiation parameter R_a . In Figure 6 temperature profiles decrease with the increase of Prandtl number P_r . In Figure 6 temperature profiles decrease with the increase of Prandtl number P_r . In Figure 7, temperature profiles decrease with the increase of Prandtl number P_r . In Figure 9, concentration profiles decrease with the increase of Schmidt number S_c . In Figure 10, we observe that concentration profiles increase with the increase of Soret number S_o . In Figure 11, concentration profiles decrease with the increase of radiation parameter R_a . The other parameters remain constant for every profiles.



 $G_m = 0.10, \quad G_r = 0.20, \quad P_r = 0.71, \quad V_0 = 3.80, \quad E_c = 0.70,$ $S_c = 0.30, \quad M = 5.00, \quad S_o = 0.60, \quad R_a = 0.30 \text{ and}$ $C_r = 1.00.$



Figure 3. Velocity profiles for different values of M with $G_m = 0.10$, $G_r = 0.20$, $P_r = 0.71$, $V_0 = 3.80$, $E_c = 0.70$, $S_c = 0.30$, $\beta_a = 2.00$, $S_a = 0.60$, $R_a = 0.30$ and $C_r = 1.00$.





Figure 6. Temperature profiles for different values of β_a with $G_m = 0.10$, $G_r = 0.20$, M = 5.00, $R_a = 0.30$, $V_0 = 3.80$, $S_c = 0.30$, $E_c = 0.70$, $S_o = 0.60$, $P_r = 0.71$ and $C_r = 1.00$.



Figure 8. Temperature profiles for different values of R_a with $G_m = 0.10$, $G_r = 0.20$, $\beta_a = 2.00$, $P_r = 0.71$, $V_0 = 3.80$, $S_c = 0.30$, $E_c = 0.70$, $S_o = 0.60$, M = 5.00 and $C_r = 1.00$.





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 $E_c = 0.70$, $S_c = 0.30$, $V_0 = 3.80$ and $C_r = 1.00$.



4. Conclusions

The analytic solutions o for MHD flow of a viscous fluid near a moving infinite plate with thermal radiation, heat sink, chemical reaction, Soret is analyzed. The results are presented graphically with various parameters. Form the graphical representation, we have the following observations:

- Velocity and temperature profiles decrease with the increase of heat absorption parameter β_a .
- Velocity profiles increase with the increase of magnetic force parameter M.
- Velocity and temperature profiles decrease with the increase of radiation parameter R_a while concentration increase near the plate and away from the plate remain unchanged for increase of radiation parameter R_a .
- Concentration profiles increase near the plate and away from the plate remain unchanged with the increase of Soret number S_a.
- Concentration profiles decrease near the plate and away from the plate remain unchanged with the increase of chemical reaction parameter C_r .

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