

Irreversibility Analysis for Magnetized and Nonlinear Convection Flow of Carreau Fluid Past a Nonlinear Surface with Higher-Order Adherence Factor

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ABSTRACT

Studying entropy generation allows scientists and engineers to optimize processes, design more efficient systems, and develop sustainable technologies. These studies aim towards minimizing energy losses, reducing environmental impacts, and advancing the frontiers of thermodynamics and energy science. As such, the current investigation expunges the dynamics of heat, flow, entropy and irreversibility analysis for a magnetized and dissipative Carreau fluid flow over a nonlinearly stretching sheet. The model is subject to thermal and electrical conductivity variations, higher-order adherence factors and nonlinear convective motion over an inclined nonlinear surface. Herein, the heat source in the flow system is considered space and temperature-dependent. The mathematical model presented in PDE systems is transformed to ODEs via similarity transformation. Numerically, the solutions to the distribution profiles are approximated via Chebyshev Collocation Method (CCM) with the pseudospectra (differentiation matrix) technique. In the limited case, the results here benchmark existing literature. Our findings identified that thermal irreversibility dominated the entire flow system, further entropy generation and irreversibility enhancement requires more thermal energy. We as well elucidate that alteration of both heat source modulation affects the heat transfer coefficient while Joule heating effect generates inner energy which induces the Carreau fluid energy.

1. Introduction

Entropy generation, deeply rooted in the second law of thermodynamics, asserts that the total entropy of a closed system tends to increase over time, reaching its maximum at equilibrium (Bejan, 1995; 1996; 2002; Lone *et al.*, 2024). Understanding this concept is crucial as it sheds light on the irreversibility of processes and the directionality of natural phenomena. Central to entropy generation is the notion of disorder or randomness within a system (Sciacovelli *et al.*, 2015; Zhang *et al.*, 2024). Practically, entropy generation imposes constraints on the efficiency of energy conversion processes and the feasibility of technological advancements. It governs the direction of heat flow, engine behavior, refrigeration cycle efficiency, and various other aspects of thermodynamic systems (Akolade, 2023; Rashidi *et al.*, 2021; Ogunsola and Oyedotun, 2023). Among investigations into this fundamental concept of thermodynamics is the study of Carreau fluid flow in microchannels by Shehzad *et al.* (2020), Shashikumar *et al.* (2022), and Reedy *et al.* (2022). These studies incorporate second law analysis, thermal radiative heat, and other parameters in nonlinear stretching surfaces. Additionally, Raza *et al.* (2020) modeled flow dynamics on linearly coiled curved stretchable surfaces, examining the impact of curvature parameters through the lens of the entropy generation law, among other significant studies.

The physics of the adherence factor is crucial for various fields, including materials science, surface engineering, and biophysics, as it quantifies the adhesion strength between two materials or surfaces and plays a critical role in determining the reliability and performance of bonded systems, coatings, and interfaces. An appropriate understanding of this physics helps develop strategies to enhance adhesion in practical applications such as adhesives, paints, and biomedical implants (Adesanya, 2015; Khan *et al.*, 2016). It also enables the design of more efficient manufacturing processes and the development of novel materials with tailored adhesive properties (Akolade *et al.*, 2021; Tunc and Bayazitoglu, 2001). Shu *et al.* (2017) conducted a comprehensive review of current research on the no-slip boundary condition in fluid dynamics problems, analyzing numerical, theoretical, and experimental

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approaches and the challenges encountered therein. Limitations of applying the no-slip condition are identified in non-Newtonian fluids, such as erroneous outcomes due to the control of flow by the first principle, where slip at the boundary wall is expected. To address this issue, researchers have introduced partial slip by considering nonzero tangential components of velocity, temperature, and stress in boundary calculations. Awais *et al.* (2016) numerically investigated slip effects on viscous fluid over a stretching wall surface, identifying that the slip parameter enhanced velocity at the boundary wall while thermal-slip resulted in a reduction in temperature distribution. Tulu and Ibrahim (2021) examined the impact of second-order slip and variable viscosity on hybrid nanofluid flow through a stretching surface, concluding that incorporating second-order slip on the wall surface improved the magnitude of shear stress and conserved the rate of heat transfer.

Considerable attention is garnered due to the wide application of non-Newtonian fluids and dynamics of convection over a nonlinearly stretching surface, attributed to their significance in engineering, science, and biomedical fields. The Carreau fluid, characterized by shear thickening and thinning properties, finds application in various materials such as blood, mucus, yogurt, lotion, and shampoo. Irfan *et al.* (2021) introduced the convective aspects of thermal heat on Carreau fluid motion, while Khan *et al.* (2018) accounted for multiple solutions for Carreau fluid flow over a nonlinearly stretching surface. Nabwey *et al.* (2022) analyzed the convection flow of Carreau fluid over a cylinder while Hashim *et al.* (2020) investigated the mixed convection flow and heat transfer mechanism for non-Newtonian Carreau nanofluids under the effect of infinite shear rate viscosity. Other notable studies include, Akolade (2023) where second law analysis of a dissipative Carreau fluid dynamics over nonlinear stretching sheet was investigated, Khan *et al.* (2020) presented the stagnation point flow of non-Newtonian fluid (Carreau fluid) with Cattaneo-Christov heat flux, Khan *et al.* (2018) investigated the solutions for non-Newtonian Carreau fluid flow over an inclined shrinking sheet, Khan and Hashim (2015) explained the boundary layer flow and heat transfer to Carreau fluid over a nonlinear stretching sheet, and Anguiano *et al.* (2022) discussed Carreau law for non-Newtonian fluid flow through thin porous media.

The current studies aim at analyzing the dynamics of magnetized, non-Newtonian Carreau fluid flow over an inclined nonlinear stretching surface with quadratic thermal convection via the implementation of the Chebyshev Collocation Method (CCM) with a pseudo-spectral approach. This novel investigation of momentum, energy, and second law analysis is subjected to second-order slip and jump conditions, Joule heating, nonlinear radiation, space, and temperature-dependent heat modulations. Herein, we seek to identify the best working fluid rheology in the design domain for proper prediction, implementation, and utilisation in engineering system. Furthermore, we believe that assumptions in this investigation will enable engineers, scientists, and modellers, among others, to predict the behaviour and characteristics of the fluid rheology (shear thinning and shear thickening) and make efficient/judicious application of it.

2. Model Analysis

Figure 1 describes the two-dimensional, magnetized, incompressible and steady state heat transfer of Carreau fluid over an inclined slendering sheet subject to temperature jump and second-order velocity slip conditions for nonlinear thermal convection, radiation, and viscous dissipation Carreau fluid. The magnetic field of strength $B(x) = B_0 x^{(m-1)/2}$, with the initial stretching characteristics $U_0 = d_0 x^m$ in the axis $y = A x^{(1-m)/2}$.

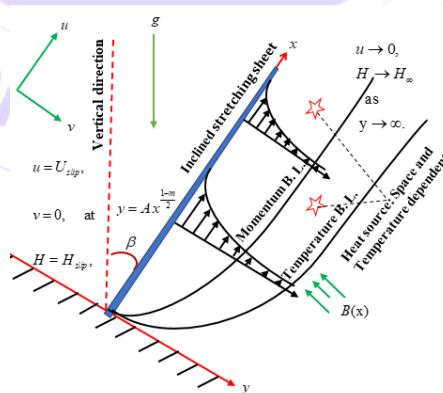


Figure 1: Physical Flow Geometry.

The Carreau constitutive model is described by (Akolade *et al.*, 2022; Akolade, 2023; Hashim *et al.*, 2017; Khan *et al.*, 2019):

$$\tau = -PI + \mu \dot{\gamma} K_1, \mu = \mu_\infty + (\mu_0 - \mu_\infty)[1 + (\Gamma \dot{\gamma})^2]^{\frac{n-1}{2}}, \text{ and } \dot{\gamma} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \Pi} \quad \Pi = \text{trace}(K_1^2) \quad (1)$$

Flow convection process by nonlinear Boussinesq approximation is taken to be (Akolade et al., 2022; Ibrahim and Gamachu, 2019; Yadav et al., 2024);

$$\Xi(H) = -\rho[\beta_1(H - H_\infty) + \beta_2(H - H_\infty)^2], \quad (2)$$

Following Akolade et al. (2022), the temperature dependent function of variable thermal conductivity and electrical conductivity is given by:

$$\kappa(H) = \kappa^* e^{(-\epsilon_0(T-T_\infty))} \approx \kappa^*[1 - \epsilon_0(H - H_\infty)], \quad \sigma^*(H) = [1 + \xi_0(H - H_\infty)]. \quad (3)$$

The heat flux Rosseland approximation is defined as:

$$q_r = -\frac{4\sigma^t}{3k_t} \frac{\partial H^4}{\partial y} = -\frac{16\sigma^t}{3k_t} (H^3 \frac{\partial H}{\partial y}), \quad (4)$$

And the adherence between the flowing fluid and the solid boundaries is given by:

$$U_{slip} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} [a_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} - a_2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}], \quad H_{slip} = b_1 \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} + b_2 \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial y^2}. \quad (5)$$

Subject to above stated conditions, the governing PDEs driving the Carreau fluid flow is given by (Akolade et al., 2022; Akolade, 2023; Hashim et al., 2017; Khan et al. 2019):

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$\left\{ \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-1}{2}} + (n-1) \Gamma^2 \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-3}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right\} v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\sigma^*(H)B(x)^2}{\rho} u + g \cos(\beta) \frac{\Xi(H)}{\rho}, \quad (7)$$

$$u \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{\rho c_p} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\kappa(H) \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{1}{\rho c_p} \frac{k^* U_0}{xv} [B_1 e^{-\eta} (H_w - H_\infty) + B_2 (H - H_\infty)] - \frac{1}{\rho c_p} \frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y} + \frac{\sigma^*(H)B(x)^2}{\rho c_p} u^2 + \frac{\mu}{\rho c_p} \left\{ \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-1}{2}} + (n-1) \Gamma^2 \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-3}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right\} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2. \quad (8)$$

Subject to the conditions:

$$u = U_w(x) + U_{slip}, \quad v = 0, H = H_w + H_{slip}, \quad \text{at } y = Ax^{\frac{1-m}{2}}, \quad u = 0, H = H_\infty \text{ as } y \rightarrow \infty. \quad (9)$$

Adopting the similarity variables from the recent studies of (Akolade et al., 2022; Akolade, 2023; Hashim et al., 2017; Khan et al., 2019);

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}, \quad \psi = \left(\frac{2v d_0 x^{m+1}}{m+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} f(\eta), \quad \theta(\eta) = \frac{H - H_\infty}{H_w - H_\infty}, \quad \eta = \left(\frac{(m+1)d_0 x^{m-1}}{2v} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} y. \quad (10)$$

Then, applying equation (10) on Eqns. (7) - (9), we have the reduced ordinary differential equations (ODEs):

$$\left\{ 1 + D We^2 (f'')^2 \right\}^{\frac{n-3}{2}} [1 + nWe^2 D (f'')^2] f''' + f f'' - \frac{1}{D} [m(f')^2 + Ha^2 (1 + \xi_2 \theta) f' - \cos(\beta) G_r (\theta + \xi_1 \theta^2)] = 0, \quad (11)$$

$$PrEc \left\{ 1 + D We^2 (f'')^2 \right\}^{\frac{n-3}{2}} [1 + nD We^2 (f'')^2] (f'')^2 + Pr f \theta' + \frac{1}{D} [B_1 e^{(-\eta)} + B_2 \theta] + \frac{4R_L}{3} \{ (1 + (R_N - 1)\theta)^3 \theta' \} + Ec Pr Ha^2 \frac{1}{D} (1 + \xi_2 \theta) (f')^2 + (1 - \xi_3 \theta) \theta'' - \xi_3 (\theta')^2 = 0, \quad (12)$$

subjected to:

$$f'(\eta) = 1 + \Lambda_1 f''(\eta) - \Lambda_2 f'''(\eta), \quad \theta(\eta) = 1 + \Lambda_3 \theta'(\eta) + \Lambda_4 \theta''(\eta), \quad f(\eta) = \left(\frac{1-m}{1+m} \right) \chi [f'(\eta)], \quad \text{at } \eta = \chi, \quad (13)$$

$$f'(\eta) = 0, \quad \theta(\eta) = 0, \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\text{where } D = \left(\frac{m+1}{2} \right), \quad \chi = A \sqrt{\frac{m+1}{2v}} d_0, \quad \Lambda_1 = \frac{S_1}{\sqrt{Re_x^{-1}}}, \Lambda_2 = \frac{S_2}{Re_x^{-1}}, \Lambda_3 = \frac{S_3}{\sqrt{Re_x^{-1}}}, \Lambda_4 = \frac{S_4}{Re_x^{-1}}, \quad Gr = \frac{\epsilon_1}{Re_x}, S_1 =$$

$$a_1 v \left(\frac{m+1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, S_2 = a_2 v \left(\frac{m+1}{2} \right), S_3 = b_1 v \left(\frac{m+1}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, S_4 = b_2 v \left(\frac{m+1}{2} \right), \quad \epsilon_1 = \frac{\beta_1 g (T_w - T_\infty)}{d_0 v U_0}, \quad \xi_1 = \frac{\beta_2}{\beta_1} (T_w - T_\infty), \quad Pr = \frac{\mu c_p}{k^*}, \quad We^2 = \frac{\Gamma^2 d_0^3 x^{3m-1}}{v}, R_L = \frac{4\sigma^t H_\infty^3}{k_t k^*}, \quad Pr = \frac{c_p \mu}{k^*}, \quad R_N = \frac{H_w}{H_\infty}, \xi_2 = \xi_0 (H_w - H_\infty), \quad \xi_3 = \epsilon_0 (H_w - H_\infty), \quad Ec =$$

$$\frac{U_0^2}{cp(H_w - H_\infty)}, Ha = B_0 \left(\frac{\sigma}{\rho d_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \text{ and } Re_x = \frac{U_0}{\nu x}.$$

Equations (11) - (13) are then transformed to the following sets of equations using $F(\omega) = F(\eta - \chi) = f(\eta)$, and $\Theta(\omega) = \Theta(\eta - \chi) = \theta(\eta)$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{1 + D We^2 (F'')^2\}^{\frac{n-3}{2}} [1 + nWe^2 D (F'')^2] F''' + FF'' \\ & - \frac{1}{D} [m(F')^2 + Ha^2 (1 + \xi_2 \Theta) F' - \cos(\beta) G_r (\Theta + \xi_1 \Theta^2)] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Pr Ec \{1 + D We^2 (F'')^2\}^{\frac{n-3}{2}} [1 + nD We^2 (F'')^2] (F'')^2 + Ec Pr Ha^2 \frac{1}{D} (1 + \xi_2 \Theta) (F')^2 + \\ & Pr F \Theta' + \frac{1}{D} [B_1 e^{(-\omega)} + B_2 \Theta] + \frac{4R_L}{3} \{(1 + (R_N - 1)\Theta)^3 \Theta'\} + (1 - \xi_3 \Theta) \Theta'' - \xi_3 (\Theta')^2 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

subjected to:

$$\begin{aligned} & F'(\omega) = 1 + \Lambda_1 F''(\omega) - \Lambda_2 F'''(\omega), \quad \Theta(\omega) = 1 + \Lambda_3 \Theta'(\omega) + \Lambda_4 \Theta''(\omega), \\ & F(\omega) = \left(\frac{1-m}{1+m} \right) \chi F'(\omega), \quad \text{at } \omega = 0, \quad F'(\omega) = 0, \quad \Theta(\omega) = 0, \quad \text{as } \omega \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Also, the physical quantities are defined accordingly:

$$\begin{aligned} & Re_x^{\frac{1}{2}} C_{fx} = \sqrt{\frac{m+1}{2}} F''(0) [1 + We^2 (F''(0))^2]^{\frac{n-1}{2}}, \\ & Re_x^{-\frac{1}{2}} Nu_x = -(1 - \xi_3 \Theta(0) + \frac{4}{3} R_L (1 + (R_N - 1)\Theta(0))^3) \Theta'(0). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

2.1 Second law analysis

The corresponding second law equations are derived accordingly:

$$Entropy generation (E_G) = HeatTransferIrreversibility + FluidFrictionIrreversibility. \quad (18)$$

Heat Transfer Irreversibility (HTI)

$$HTI = \frac{1}{H_\infty} \left\{ \kappa(H) + \frac{16\sigma^t}{3k_t} H^3 \right\} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right)^2. \quad (19)$$

Fluid Friction Irreversibility (FFI)

$$FFI = \left\{ \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-1}{2}} + (n-1) \Gamma^2 \left[1 + \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{n-3}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right\} \frac{\mu}{H_\infty} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \frac{\sigma^*(H)}{H_\infty} B(x)^2 u^2. \quad (20)$$

Implementing the similarity variables in Eq. (10) on the dimensional second law system of Eq. (18), gives:

$$\begin{aligned} & Ns = \frac{E_G}{E_{G_0}'''} = D \left[1 - \xi_3 \Theta + \frac{4R_L}{3} (1 + (R_N - 1)\Theta)^3 \right] (\Theta')^2 + Pr Ec L Ha (1 + \xi_2 \Theta) (F')^2 + \\ & Pr Ec L D \{1 + D We^2 (F'')^2\}^{\frac{n-3}{2}} [1 + nD We^2 (F'')^2] (F'')^2. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

where E_{G_0}''' , L are defined below.

$$E_{G_0}''' = \frac{\kappa^* (H_w - H_\infty)^2 d_0^3}{\nu H_\infty^2 U_0^2}, \quad L = \frac{H_\infty}{H_w - H_\infty}. \quad (22)$$

Moreover, Bejan number is defined as the ratio of **HTI** to Ns i.e.,

$$Be = \frac{HTI}{HTI + FFI} = \frac{HTI}{Ns}. \quad (23)$$

3. Method of Solution

Solutions of the coupled equations (14) - (16) is obtained by adopting the Chebyshev differentiation matrix based collocation method. The technique enjoy the algebraic mapping transformation of the problem physical domain into the Chebysev domain $\tau \in [-1, 1]$:

$$\tau = \frac{2\omega}{L} - 1, \quad \tau \in [-1, 1]. \quad (24)$$

Also, an assumption of the trial solution for $F(\tau)$, and $\Theta(\tau)$ is given by;

$$F(\tau) \approx F_N(\tau) = \sum_{i=0}^N F(\tau_i) \xi_i(\tau), \quad \dots, \quad \Theta(\tau) \approx \Theta_N(\tau) = \sum_{i=0}^N \Theta(\tau_i) \xi_i(\tau), \quad \dots, \quad (25)$$

with Lobatto collocation point,

$$\tau_i = \cos\left(\frac{i\pi}{N}\right), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (26)$$

and $\xi_i(\tau)$ denote the Lagrange interpolation polynomial corresponding to the Chebysev polynomial of order N ,

$$T_N(\tau) = \cos(N \cos^{-1} \tau). \quad (27)$$

The Chebyshev differentiation matrix D of size $(N + 1) \times (N + 1)$ is adopted.

The derivative series of profile $f_n(\tau)$, $\Theta_n(\tau)$ at $\tau = \tau_i$ is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dF(\tau_i)}{d\tau} &= \sum_{j=0}^N D_{i,j}^{(1)} F(\tau_j), \quad \frac{dF^n(\tau_i)}{d\tau^n} = \sum_{j=0}^N D_{i,j}^{(n)} F(\tau_j), \\ \frac{d\Theta(\tau_i)}{d\tau} &= \sum_{j=0}^N D_{i,j}^{(1)} \Theta(\tau_j), \quad \frac{d\Theta^n(\tau_i)}{d\tau^n} = \sum_{j=0}^N D_{i,j}^{(n)} \Theta(\tau_j), \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$. Substituting equation (28) into the dimensionless governing Eqs. (14) - (16), then solve via Newton's method, the unknown functions $F(\tau_i)$, and $\Theta(\tau_i)$ containing $2N + 2$ equations with $2N + 2$ unknowns variables are derived. Finally, the result obtained is now in domain $\tau \in [-1, 1]$ which is then transformed into $\omega \in [0, L]$ using;

$$\eta = \frac{L}{2}(\tau + 1), \quad \tau \in [-1, 1]. \quad (29)$$

Table 1: Comparison results of $F''(0)$ and $-\Theta'(0)$ with earlier studies at different Λ_1 , χ and Pr .

Value		$-F''(0)$		Value		$-\Theta'(0)$ such that $\Lambda_1 = \chi = 0$	
Λ_1	χ	Devi and Prakash (2016)	Present work	Pr	Mabood <i>et al.</i> (2015)	Sharma <i>et al.</i> (2022)	Present work
0.0	0.2	0.9248281	0.924821298	0.2	0.1691	0.16631332	0.17003133
0.2	0.25	0.7333949	0.733385610	0.7	0.4539	0.45540012	0.45391747
0.2	0.3	—	0.738594316	2.0	0.9114	0.91102381	0.91135768
0.2	0.5	0.7595701	0.759562561	7.0	1.8954	1.89432002	1.89431426
0.5	0.5	—	0.578436131	20	3.3539	3.35045413	3.35065976
0.5	0.6	—	0.584199971	70	6.4622	6.46010020	6.46011132

4. Results and Discussion

Impact of the controlling parameters on the dimensionless distributions is enumerated in this section. Reference to the previous studies, the following choice of the parameters are adopted else otherwise stated ($\chi = 0.5$, $m = 1/3$, $n = 0.2$, $Pr = 7.2$, $We = 5$, $B_1 = 0.07 = B_2$, $Ha = 1$, $Gr = 1$, $\xi_1 = 1$, $\xi_2 = 0.2$, $\xi_3 = 0.5$, $\beta = \pi/3$, $\Gamma_2 = 0.5$, $\Gamma_4 = 0.2$, $\Gamma_1 = 0.2$, $\Gamma_3 = 0.2$, $R_N = 1.3$, $R_L = 0.3$, $Ec = 0.1$). In Table 1, accuracy and workability of the spectral collocation method adopted for this study is demonstrated with the previous studies of Devi and Prakash (2016), Mabood *et al.* (2015), and Sharma *et al.* (2022). It is worth mentioning that the limited case of our model tally with the previous studies.

Analysis of flow distribution enumerating the impact of supporting model variables is identified in the respective Figures 2-7, both on the momentum, energy Bejan number and irreversibility distribution ratio. As pictured in Figure 2 and 3, the fluid rheological characterization (n) providing insight into the dynamics of Carreau fluid is identified (shear-thickening fluid ($n > 1$), shear-thinning fluid ($n < 1$)). Moreover, analysis into the dynamics of different heat source module is presented. A closer look on Figures 2(b), and 3(b) identified that the temperature dependent heat source module is capable of decomposing the fluid particles in shorter time compare to the space-dependent heat source module. However, the two models display a rise to both velocity and temperature of the fluid. The report of the fluid characterization ($n > 1$) and ($n < 1$) show that shear-thinning fluid conduct heat energy easily compare to the shear-thickening fluid, thereby loose its particles easily. However, a deflection point $\omega \approx 2$, is identified as phase change between the shear-thinning fluid and the shear-thickening fluid. For the boundary layer length $\omega < 2$, the shear-thickening fluid demonstrated a higher momentum rate while shear-thinning fluid showcase its higher momentum rate just after the deflection point $\omega > 2$. In general, this analysis help predict the right rheological model for the purpose of industrial process.

Assessment of the inclination angle (β) and the Hartmann number (Ha) on momentum field and thermal field is depicted in Figure 4(a and b). While Ha shows its ability to decline the momentum field, the contrary response is perceived on the energy distribution. Inline with the physics of the Lorentz force, intensification of the magnetization effect dragged down the motion of the fluid thereby enhancing the fluid thermal performance. At the same time, the energy distribution is upsurged as both Ha and β are elevated. The imposed inclined angle as well shows its ability to drag down the strength of Lorentz's force. Relation between the enthalpy of the boundary layer and momentum kinetic energy, known as Eckert number and the adherence factors (first and second-order slip/jump) is enumerated in Figure 5(a and b). The profiles clarified that as heat dissipated increases (rise in Ec) the flow field and energy distribution upsurge. However, magnification is more pronounced in the fluid temperature for no adherence (slip and jump) condition than the presence of slip and jump instance.

Convection analysis of nonlinear/linear thermal (ξ_1, Gr) over profiles of velocity and energy is identified in Figure 6(a and b). The opposing force due to the acceleration due to gravity, Physically, upright impact of flow geometry predicts the higher impact of acceleration due to gravity, while an inclined geometry tends to produce less impact of gravity. Mathematically, $\xi_1 = 0$ represent a no convection model, $\xi_1 \neq 0$ represent a nonlinear convection model. From the analysis, a rise in convection term signifies a raise in momentum field, and a reduction in energy distribution. For practical use, a nonlinear model is suggest for more interference on both temperature and velocity than the linear assumption (see Figure 6a and 6b). The interaction of the variable thermal conductivity (ξ_3) and electrical conductivity (ξ_2) is illuminated in Figure 7. Mathematically, $\xi_2 = 0$ reduced the model to a constant electrical field. Like the impact of Ha , ξ_2 also drags down the momentum and elevates the energy field due to Lorentz force activation. On the other hand, variable thermal conductivity (ξ_3) diminished the Carreau fluid momentum and energy field considerably. This result itemized that grater numbers of ξ_3 reduced the conductivity of Carreau fluid.

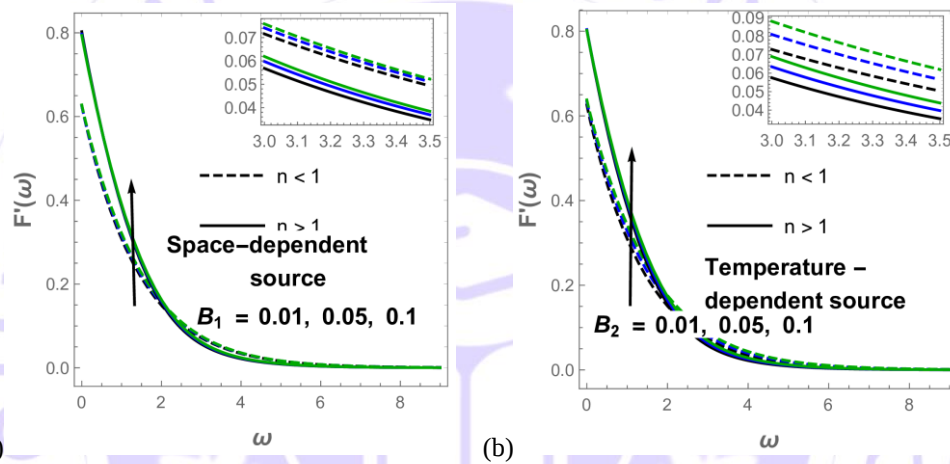


Figure 2: Profiles $F'(\omega)$ for different B_1, B_2 and n .

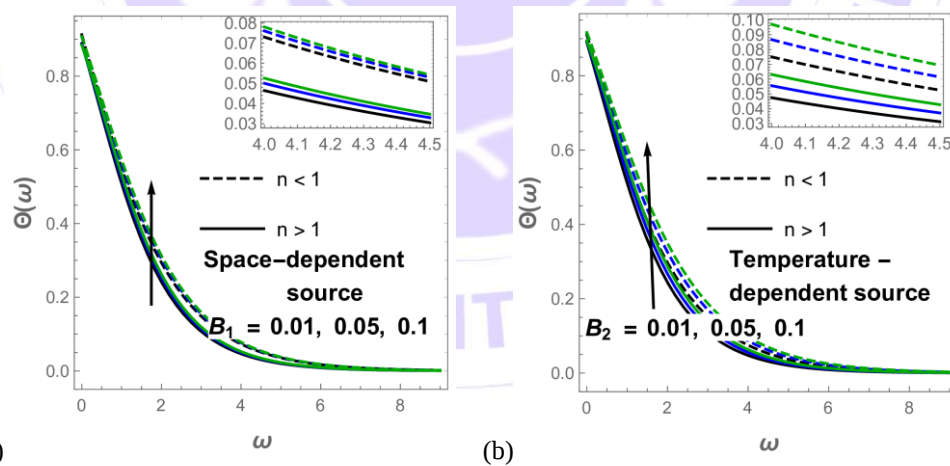


Figure 3: Profiles $\Theta(\omega)$ for different B_1, B_2 and n .

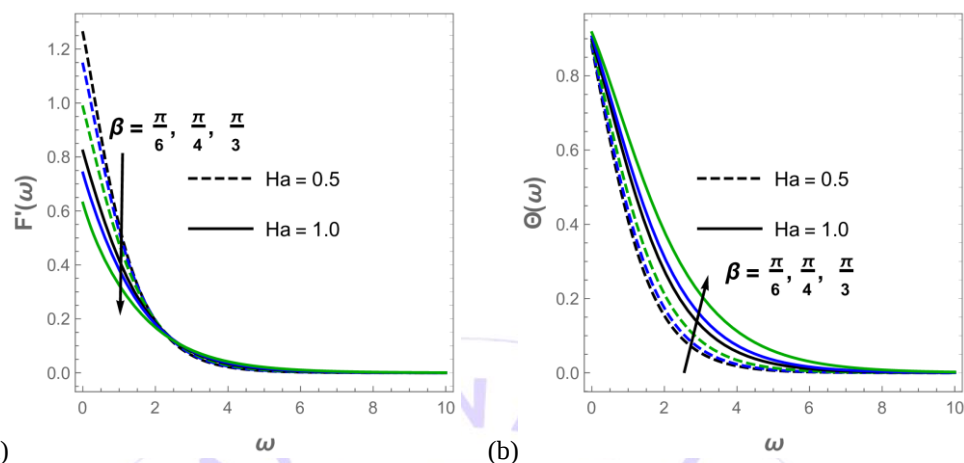


Figure 4: Profiles $F'(\omega)$ and $\Theta(\omega)$ for different β and Ha .

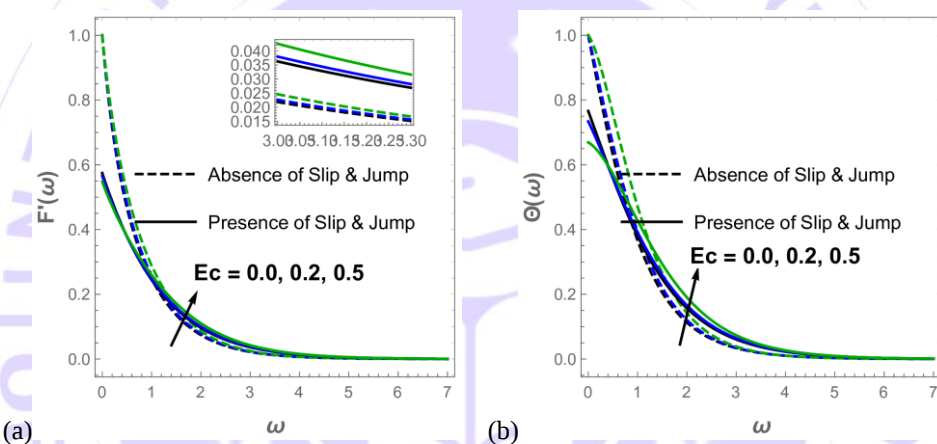


Figure 5: Profiles $F'(\omega)$ and $\Theta(\omega)$ for different Ec and slip/jump conditions.

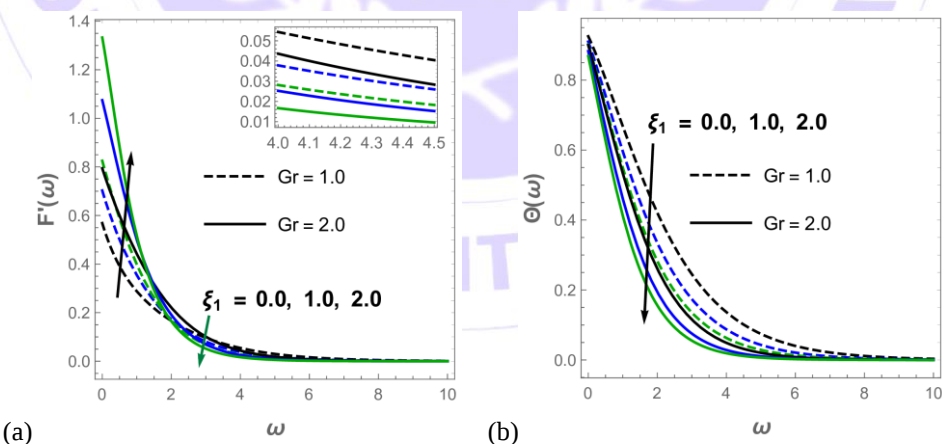


Figure 6: Profiles $F'(\omega)$ and $\Theta(\omega)$ for different Gr and ξ_1 .

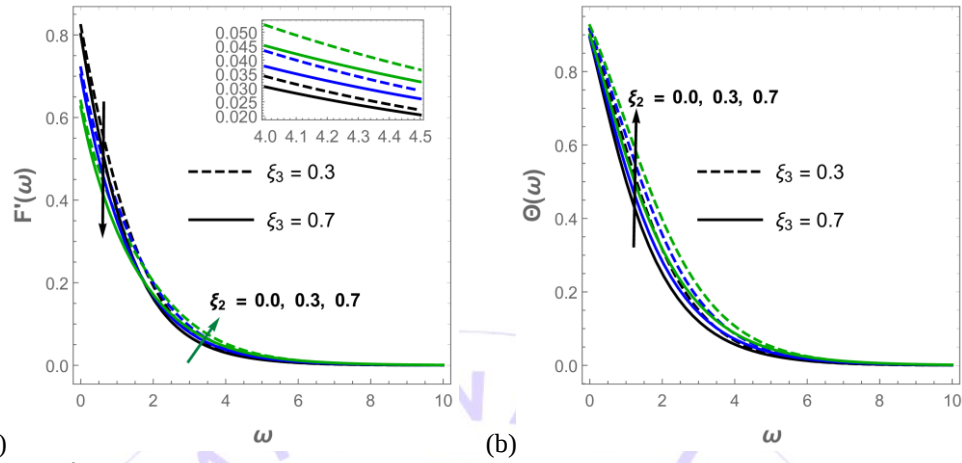


Figure 7: Profiles $F'(\omega)$ and $\Theta(\omega)$ for different ξ_2 and ξ_3 .

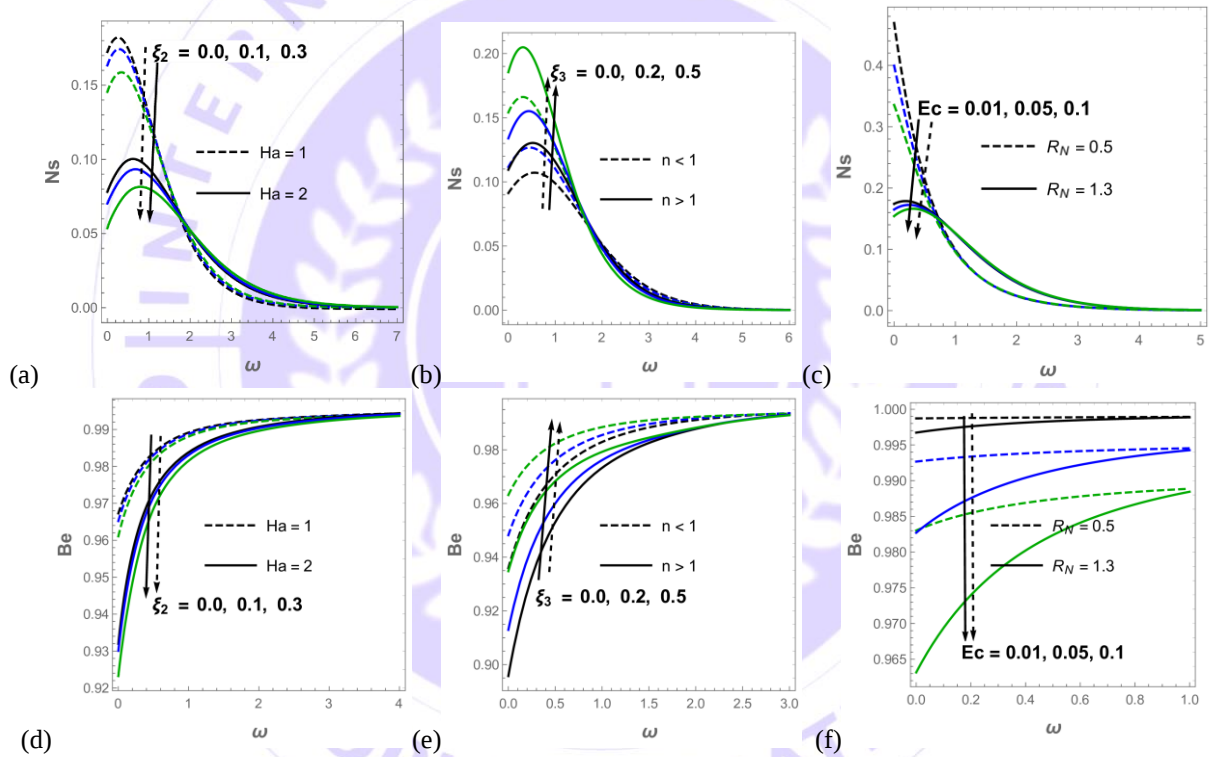
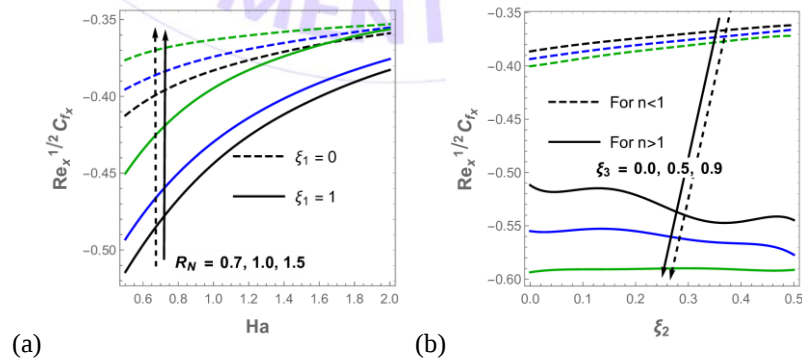


Figure 8: Profile Ns for different R_N, Ec, n, ξ_3, ξ_2 and Ha , Profile Be for different R_N, Ec, n, ξ_3, ξ_2 and Ha



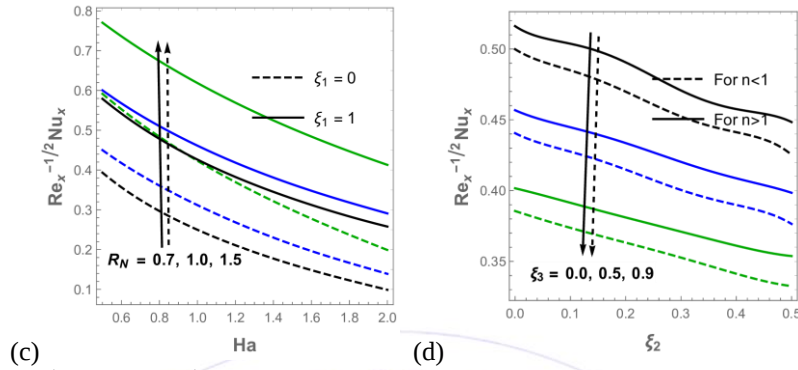


Figure 9: Profiles of $Re_x^{-1/2} C_{fx}$ and $Re_x^{-1/2} Nu_x$ for different R_N , n , ξ_3 , ξ_2 and Ha

To identify the dominance of entropy generation and irreversibility process in thermal to fluid friction in the considered flow configuration, Figure 8(a-f) enumerated the characterized behaviour of the flow parameters (Ha , ξ_2 , ξ_3 , n , Ec , and R_N) on Ns and Be accordingly. Mathematically, $Be > 0.5$ represent the dominance of thermal irreversibility, $Be = 0.5$ highlights the equal contribution of thermal to fluid friction irreversibility, and $Be < 0.5$ enumerated the irreversibility due to fluid friction. Introduction of magnetization effect optimized the entropy generation (Ns) and irreversibility distribution ratio (Be) for both constant (Ha) and variable (ξ_2) assumption. Shear-thinning fluid demonstrated the ability to produce higher entropy generation in contrast to the Shear thickening fluid as shown in Figure 8(b), while the contrary result is produced on Bejan number as profiled on Figure 8(e). A rise in R_N as depicted in Figure 8(c) injected more heat into the system, thus optimizing (reducing) the entropy production. Mathematically, R_L radiative heat flux is an approximated form of R_N ; the exact impact is felt as radiative heat fluxes rise. Furthermore, as seen in Figure 8(f), frictional heating irreversibility is dominated by heat transfer irreversibility with an increasing value of R_N . Similarly, the contribution of the frictional forces Ec (i.e. the relation between the enthalpy variance and fluid temperature) shrinks Ns and Be , indicating that higher Ec and R_N is a contributing parameter to reduced system disorderliness. Moreover, thermal irreversibility is seen dominating the entire flow system. Higher dominance is recorded at the far free stream of the considered geometry (see Fig. 8).

The computational results of the Local skin friction and heat transfer coefficients depicted in Figure 9(a-d) highlighted the tendency of the two physical properties to diminish based on fluid classification (n) from shear-thickening fluid to shear-thinning fluid. This enumerates that more flow strength is induced in shear-thickening fluid compared to others (shear-thinning and Newtonian fluid). A rise in the inclination angle (β) correspond to magnification of both local $Re_x^{1/2} C_{fx}$ and $Re_x^{-1/2} Nu_x$. However, variability of thermal conductivity (ξ_3) energized the heat transfer coefficient and contributed to the minimization of the skin friction coefficient.

5. Conclusion

The Carreau fluid rheology classified as shear-thinning ($n < 1$), shear-thickening ($n > 1$) and Newtonian ($n = 1$) fluids has been investigated. The considered nonlinear stretching model proposed the higher adherence jump, slip, space and temperature-dependent heat modules. Nonlinear radiation heat flux, joule heating, nonlinear convection, and variable thermal conductivity is considered. Subjected to the similarity variables, the transformed ODE systems of the inclined suspended motion over a thin sheet pictured in Figure 1 employed a Spectral collocation scheme to carry out the approximate solution of the distribution profiles ($F'(\omega)$, $\Theta(\omega)$, $Ns(\omega)$ and $Be(\omega)$). The findings highlight that:

1. more heat is dissipated as Ec grows and Joule heating effect generate inner energy which induced the Carreau fluid energy;
2. nonlinear convection model predicts more interference on both momentum and energy contrast to the linear model;
3. the results elucidate the tendency of both heat source modulation to minimize heat transfer coefficient;
4. local skin-friction and Nusselt number diminished based on fluid classification (n) from shear-thickening fluid to shear-thinning fluid;
5. variability of thermal conductivity (ξ_3) energized the heat transfer coefficient and contributed to minimizing the skin friction coefficient;

6. thermal irreversibility dominated the entire flow system;
7. dissipative function, radiation heat flux, and magneto-hydrodynamic modules are identified mechanisms for minimizing both entropy generation and Bejan number;
8. for further entropy generation and Bejan number promotion, more thermal enhancement is required.

Conflict of Interest

The authors have declared no conflict of interest.

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