



# Thermal study of Darcy–Forchheimer hybrid nanofluid flow inside a permeable channel by VIM: features of heating source and magnetic field

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## Abstract

The nanofluids extensively contribute to cope the new heat transport challenges facing by the engineering systems and industries including paint, ceramics, chemical, aerodynamics, electronics, and medical sciences, etc. Thus, the innovations in new nanofluid models can be disregarded in light of broad applications spectrum. Therefore, the current work concerns with the thermal process of hybrid nanofluid by adding the important physical phenomenon. The flow of bionanofluid is taken inside a uniform expanding/contracting channel. To increase the model novelty, the significant influence of Lorentz forces, porous media, and heating source is added in the problem formulation. The resultant bionanofluid model is then analyzed via VIM (variational iteration method) and provided a deep discussion. It is inspected that unvarying expansion/contraction in the range of  $\alpha = 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0$  and  $\alpha = -1.0, -2.0, -3.0, -4.0$ , the bionanofluid attained maximum velocity about the central portion and in rest of the part it declines. However, due to increased viscosity of hybrid nanofluid, it reduced rapidly than conventional nanofluid. By increasing the permeability from 0.1 to 0.4, a rapid decrease in the fluid movement is observed. Further, the heat transmission progress reduced against the porous medium and Lorentz forces. The heat generation effects boosted the heating performance of the hybrid nanofluid. Moreover, the skin friction and heat transport rate are also discussed.

**Keywords** Heat transfer · Porosity effects · Heat generation · Channel flow · Laminar flow

## Abbreviations

$\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}$	Velocity components	$\sigma_{\text{hbnf}}$	Electrical conductivity of hybrid nanofluid
$\tilde{P}$	Pressure	$\phi_1, \phi_2$	Nanoparticles mass concentration
$\rho_b$	Fluid density	$M$	Hartmann number
$\rho_{\text{hbnf}}$	Density of hybrid nanofluid	$D_a$	Darcy number
$k_b$	Thermal conductivity of the basic fluid	$F_r$	Forchheimer number
$k_{\text{hbnf}}$	Thermal conductivity of hybrid nanofluid	$R_{e1}$	Reynolds number
$\mu_b$	Dynamic of basic fluid	$P_r$	Prandtl number
$\mu_{\text{hbnf}}$	Dynamic viscosity of hybrid nanofluid	$Q$	Heat generation number
$\tilde{T}$	Fluid temperature	$C_{F1}$	Skin friction at the lower plate
$\sigma_b$	Electrical conductivity of basic fluid	$C_{Fu}$	Skin friction at the upper plate
		$N_{ul}$	Nusselt number at the lower plate
		$N_{up}$	Nusselt number at the upper plate

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## Introduction

Hybrid nanofluid can be prepared from insertion of two sort of nanoparticles in the working host liquid. The thermal conductivity of resultant hybrid fluid ([1–3]) increased in the existence of cumulative nanoparticles effects. In 2014, Mustafa et al. [4] carried out a numerical study to examine the heat transport in convective nanofluid flow passing over

a plate with existence of radiative heat flux. They applied Runge–Kutta fourth–fifth-order scheme for conversion of system equations using similarity transformation along with shooting technique. Role of various parameters has been discussed in the study. In 2017, Hosseinzadeh et al. [5] examined the effects of thermophoresis and Brownian phenomenon on magnetohydrodynamic nanofluid [6, 7] flow together with the heat transfer between two parallel plates. Homotopy perturbation method used to solve modeled system and results indicates that rise the Brownian motion parameter would source an increase in temperature field.

Recently, Rafique et al. [8] and Bilal et al. [9] made efforts toward the analysis of nanoliquid flows by put their focus on conventional nano and hybrid nanofluids types. They checked the nanoparticles structure and mutual aggregation of the metallic particles on the thermal transmission of the fluids. Further, the authors accommodated the influence of physical constraints and provided in-depth analysis on the momentum and thermal boundary layers. In 2023, Mishra et al. [10], Bhatti et al. [11], Zhang et al. [12], Kumar et al. [13], and Nidhish et al. [14] reported comprehensive investigations about the nanofluids behavior and their heating and coolant characteristics in various engineering domains and predicted suitable ranges of the physical constraints. Also, they addressed the geometries effects on the fluid behavior inside the thermal and momentum boundary layers regions. They concluded that nanofluids are comparatively better than common fluids, and rest of the generation such as hybrid and ternary nanofluids are more reliable than traditional nano and simple fluids. The most innovative analysis regarding the nanoliquids transport have been reported by potential researchers around the world. These discussed in Refs. [15–17], and the studies given therein. Some novel studies for unsteady squeezed hybrid nanoliquid model [18], fractional order simulation for the performance of Maxwell [19] and standard Couette flow [20] of nanoliquids, catalytic characteristics of gold nanoparticles [21], fractal fractional simulation [22] for couple stress liquids, and fractional ramped [23] investigation of nanoparticles have been reported.

In 2019, Sharma et al. [24] studied the MHD flow which is conducting electrically under magnetic field effects. Finite difference technique used to handle PDEs and concluded that rise in magnetic strength evidence to a reduction in the velocity profile. In 2020, Abbas et al. [25] studied about nanofluid flow (see Refs. [26, 27]) and to expand the thermophysical resources of heat transfer and convective flow for unsteady nanofluid under magnetic field properties. Homotopy analysis method technique is used as measured instrument and established admirable agreement for shape factors. In 2020, Zainal et al. [28] examined the magnetohydrodynamic hybrid nanoliquid in the presence of quadratic velocity flowing on stretching/shrinking sheet to study the

change in convective heat transfer rate with stability analysis and also discovered the behavior of various influential parameters. In 2021, Akbar et al. [29] analyzed the temperature and velocity profile of inviscid flow by considering the effects of various variables parameters using continuity, energy, and momentum equations ([30–33]) model and displayed the findings in graphs and tables.

In 2021, Noor et al. [34] demonstrated the Buongiorno's nanofluid model to explore the Brownian motion and thermophoresis effects on Jeffery nanofluid flowing through a porous medium. Keller box method has been used to analyze the model. In 2021, Hussain et al. [35] conducted the study on hybrid nanofluid flow in the presence of convection condition over a rotating disk. The model has been designed to observe heat transfer behavior and thermophysical characteristics. This comparative study shows that hybrid nanofluid has been more effective. In 2021, Waqas et al. [36] presented the model to study the behavior of radiative hybrid nanofluid flow passing over a rotating disk by considering various parameters impact. The outcomes of the study have been shown through graphs. In 2021, Ahammad et al. [37] reconnoitered the phenomenon of entropy in a spongy plate placed vertically and considering the suction velocity and magnetohydrodynamic effect [38]. The analysis of entropy generation and the influential effect of various parameters have been discussed in detail. They found the results using finite difference method.

In 2021, Abdullah et al. [39] analyzed the fluid flow behavior with electrical conduction by formulating the desired model for investigation. The fluid flow was observed in porous medium between parallel plates under normal Lorentz forces influence. The fixed pressure gradient and thermal flux have been applied. The finite difference method and eigen function expansion method have been used to find the solutions of the equations. In 2022, Rashad et al. [40] reconnoitered thermal transmission for EPF (Eyring–Powel fluid) hybrid nanofluid [41] under the effect of variable temperature and velocity. The transformation of governing equations has been done through RKF45 with shooting technique. The study has been found useful in various industrial processes. In 2022, Yaseen et al. [42] deliberated the study between symmetrical squeezing mono nanofluid and hybrid nanofluid (see Refs. [43–46]) in permeable medium under the effect of heat transportation. The outcomes of this study have been used in many industrial areas for cooling and heating process.

In 2023, Abbas et al. [47] observed the Dufour and Soret impact in addition with the effects of second-order slip and thermal slip for Maxwell fluid flow. They illustrated the results for various parameters through graphs and tables after transforming the equations through numerical method. In 2022, Lenci et al. [48] examined the inertial flow in porous surface which is governed by the Forchheimer

equation. The association was realistic to the mean permeability which shows that it rises (declines) with increasing (decreasing) exponent for flow vertical (horizontal) to layers. In 2022, Elbashbeshy et al. [49] studied about the gyrotactic movement. The model treated numerically and concluded that permeability parameter repels the thickness of thermal boundary layer. Some latest studies for nanofluid have been reported in Refs. [50, 51].

The keen observations from the above listed literature, it is pointed that the innovative study of hybrid nanoliquids (see Refs. [52–54]) flowing inside a channel formed by two porous plates under the potential influence of Lorentz forces, porosity, and internal heating source is presented so far. Therefore, this attempt is made to investigate the behavior and transport of heat in hybrid nanoliquids due to the bunch of physical parametric effects. The acquired model will be analyzed via VIM and then organized the physical results according to the model domain. The study will helpful to adjust the strength of physical parameters for the estimation of better model results. In the first step, development of the model will be done via supportive nanofluids correlations and transformative rules. After that the achievement of the model, the variational iteration method will be exercised for the mathematical analysis and simulation of the physical results. After successfully implementation of the method, the results under increasing values of the included parameters will be demonstrated and then discussed comprehensively in the view of physical facts behind them.

## Model development

### Working domain

Let us considered the two parallel permeable plates in which hybrid nanofluid is flowing. Both the surfaces are located at  $a(t)$  and  $-a(t)$  along  $y$ -direction, respectively. It is assumed that the  $x, y$  directions have the velocity constituents as  $u$  and  $v$ . Further, the model is associated to the features of source of heating, spongy media, and Lorentz forces. The heat absorption/generation term considered in the temperature equation. Using similarity transforms, the consequential hybrid nanofluid model will be attained. Physical formation for hybrid nanoliquid model is shown in Fig. 1.

The major assumptions which are essential in the problem formulation are that the functional fluid possesses the characteristics of incompressibility, viscous, and laminar flow. The walls are subject to the uniform expansion/contraction and constant fluid injected from each wall. Moreover, the working suspension is homogeneous, and the hybrid nanoparticles added up to 0.6% in the base

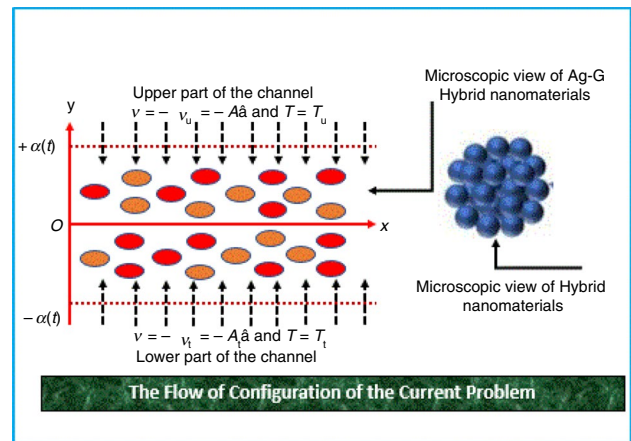


Fig. 1 The flow of (Ag-G)/blood hybrid nanoliquid along increasing direction of  $x$

solvent. Further, the influence of porosity, Lorentz forces, and heating source in the energy equation is the significant insights in the problem development.

The flow sequence comprising the Darcy–Forchheimer impacts [55], magnetic field, and heating source is depicted in Fig. 1 which can be represented by the following physical laws in the form of following constitutive model:

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho_{\text{hbnf}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial t} + \tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial x} + \mu_{\text{hbnf}} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{u}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{u}}{\partial y^2} \right] \\ & - \sigma_{\text{hbnf}} B_0^2 \tilde{u} - \frac{\nu_{\text{hbnf}} \tilde{u}}{K^*} - \frac{C_b \tilde{u}^2}{\sqrt{K^*}}, \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho_{\text{hbnf}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial t} + \tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial y} + \mu_{\text{hbnf}} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{v}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{v}}{\partial y^2} \right] \\ & - \sigma_{\text{hbnf}} B_0^2 \tilde{v} - \frac{\nu_{\text{hbnf}} \tilde{v}}{K^*} - \frac{C_b \tilde{v}^2}{\sqrt{K^*}}, \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\rho C_p)_{\text{hbnf}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial t} + \tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= k_{\text{hbnf}} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{T}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{T}}{\partial y^2} \right] + Q_0 (\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_0), \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

The associated model conditions are as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{u} = 0, T = T_1, \tilde{v} = -v_1 = -hA_1 & \text{at } \tilde{y} = -h(t), \\ \tilde{u} = 0, T = T_u, \tilde{v} = -v_u = -hA_u & \text{at } \tilde{y} = h(t), \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Now, we suggest;

$$\chi = \frac{\partial \tilde{y}}{\partial \tilde{x}} - \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial \tilde{y}}, \quad (6)$$

To remove the pressure influence and essential derivatives yield the following form:

$$\rho_{\text{hbnf}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{\chi}}{\partial t} + \tilde{u} \frac{\partial \tilde{\chi}}{\partial \tilde{x}} + \tilde{v} \frac{\partial \tilde{\chi}}{\partial \tilde{y}} \right) = \mu_{\text{hbnf}} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\chi}}{\partial \tilde{x}^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{\chi}}{\partial \tilde{y}^2} \right], \quad (7)$$

In the result of Eq. (7), we arrived with Eq. (8).

$$\rho_{\text{hbnf}} (\tilde{u}_{yt} + \tilde{u}\tilde{u}_{yx} + \tilde{v}\tilde{u}_{yy}) = \mu_{\text{hbnf}} \tilde{u}_{yyy}, \quad (8)$$

Now, we introducing the consequent transform variables for further simplification of our model:

$$y = \eta h, \quad (9)$$

$$\tilde{u} = \frac{vf \tilde{x} \tilde{f}_\eta}{h}, \quad \tilde{v} = -\frac{vf \tilde{f}(\eta, t)}{h^2}, \quad \tilde{\psi} = -\frac{vf \tilde{x} \tilde{f}(\eta, t)}{h}, \quad \beta(\eta) = \frac{\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_u}{\tilde{T}_1 - \tilde{T}_u}, \quad (10)$$

Now, the further assumptions on the previous BCs income the following version:

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{f}_\eta = 0, \tilde{f} = Re_1, Re_1 = \frac{hhA_u}{v_f} & \text{at } \eta = -1, \\ \tilde{f}_\eta = 0, \tilde{f} = Re_1, Re_1 = \frac{hhA_u}{v_f} & \text{at } \eta = 1, \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

Here,  $Re_1$  is associated to the permeation effects which is corresponds to positive and negative values. Further, the second set of transformations is enlisted in Eq. (12).

$$x = \frac{\tilde{x}}{h}, u = \frac{\tilde{u}}{h}, v = \frac{\tilde{v}}{h}, f = \frac{\tilde{f}}{Re_1}, \quad (12)$$

### Nanofluid characteristics

The following hybrid thermophysical properties are utilized in the formation of nanofluid and for the computation against increasing mass concentration.

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{hbnf}} = (1 - \vartheta_2) \left[ (1 - \vartheta_1) + \vartheta_1 \left( \frac{\rho_{s_1}}{\rho_b} \right) \right] + \vartheta_2 \left( \frac{\rho_{s_2}}{\rho_b} \right),$$

$$(\hat{\rho}C_p)_{\text{hbnf}} = (1 - \vartheta_2) \left[ (1 - \vartheta_1) + \vartheta_1 \frac{(\hat{\rho}C_p)_{s_1}}{(\hat{\rho}C_p)_b} \right] + \vartheta_2 \frac{(\hat{\rho}C_p)_{s_2}}{(\hat{\rho}C_p)_b},$$

$$\mu_{\text{hbnf}} = \frac{1}{(1 - \vartheta_1)^{2.5} (1 - \vartheta_2)^{2.5}},$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \hat{k}_{\text{hbnf}} &= \frac{\hat{k}_{s_2} + 2\hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} - 2_2(\hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} - \hat{k}_{s_2})}{\hat{k}_{\text{bnf}}} \\ \hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} &= \frac{\hat{k}_{s_2} + 2\hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} + 2_2(\hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} - \hat{k}_{s_2})}{\hat{k}_b} \\ \hat{k}_{\text{bnf}} &= \frac{\hat{k}_{s_1} + 2\hat{k}_b - 2_1(\hat{k}_b - \hat{k}_{s_1})}{\hat{k}_b} \\ \hat{k}_b &= \frac{\hat{k}_{s_1} + 2\hat{k}_b + 1_1(\hat{k}_b - \hat{k}_{s_1})}{\hat{k}_b} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_{\text{hbnf}} &= \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{s_2} + 2*\hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} - 2_2(\hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} - \hat{\sigma}_{s_2})}{\hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}}} \\ \hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} &= \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{s_2} + 2\hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} + 2_2(\hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} - \hat{\sigma}_{s_2})}{\hat{\sigma}_b} \\ \hat{\sigma}_{\text{bnf}} &= \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{s_1} + 2*\hat{\sigma}_b - 2_1(\hat{\sigma}_b - \hat{\sigma}_{s_1})}{\hat{\sigma}_b} \\ \hat{\sigma}_b &= \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{s_1} + 2\hat{\sigma}_b + 1_1(\hat{\sigma}_b - \hat{\sigma}_{s_1})}{\hat{\sigma}_b} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Here,  $\vartheta_1, \vartheta_2$  designate the particles mass  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$ , respectively. The values of the characteristics used are portrayed in Fig. 2a–c, respectively. Graphically, it is revealed that the nanoparticle GO (graphene oxide) has utmost thermal conductivity and heat capacity correlate to nanoparticle Ag, while the nanoparticle Ag has high density as compared to nanoparticle GO (graphene oxide). Figure 3a–d depicts the significant changes in the characteristics of bionanofluid when the mass concentration rises from 0.01% to 0.06%. Further, the specific value for the working components is given in Table 1.

Finally, the following model acquired:

$$\begin{aligned} F'''' + \frac{\hat{\rho}_{\text{hbnf}}}{\hat{\mu}_{\text{hbnf}}} (\alpha(\eta F'''' + F'')) + Re_1 (FF'''' - F'F'') \\ - M \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\text{hbnf}}}{\hat{\mu}_{\text{hbnf}}} F'' - F''D_a - \frac{\hat{\rho}_{\text{hbnf}}}{\hat{\mu}_{\text{hbnf}}} F_r Re_1 F'F' = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$F(-1) - s = 0, F'(-1) = 0, F(1) = 0, \quad (14)$$

The refined energy model is as follows:

$$\frac{\hat{k}_{\text{hbnf}}}{\hat{k}_b} \beta'' + \frac{Pr(\hat{\rho}C_p)_{\text{hbnf}}}{(\hat{\rho}C_p)_b} (\alpha\eta\beta' + Re_1F) + QPr\beta = 0, \quad (15)$$

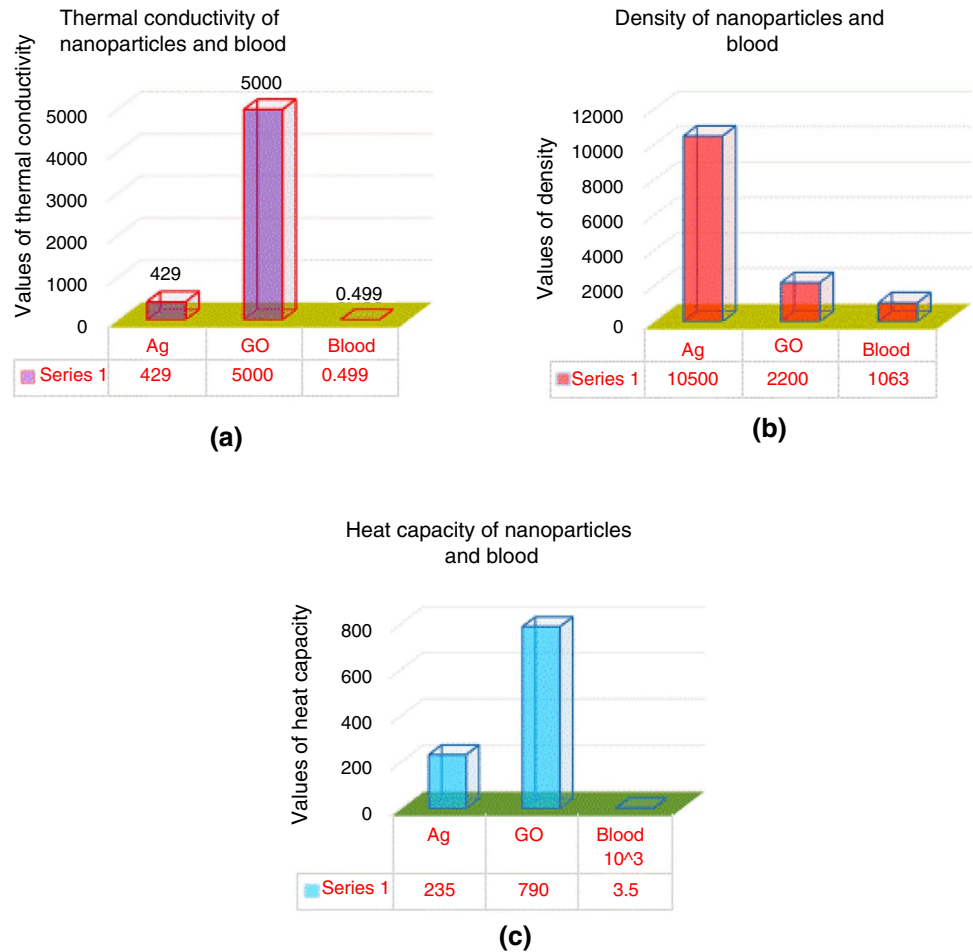
$$\beta(-1) = 1, \beta(1) = 0, \quad (16)$$

### Shear drag and Nusselt number

For the current model, the local thermal gradient and drag force are expressed in the following equations:

$$C_F = \frac{\tau a(t)}{\hat{\rho}_{\text{hbnf}} v_1^2}, \tau_w = \mu_{\text{hbnf}} \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y} \right] \quad \text{when } y = \mp a, \quad (17)$$

**Fig. 2** Properties of Ag, Go, and blood used in this study



$$N_u = \frac{a}{k_f(T_1 - T_u)} \left[ k_{hbnf} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + q_{rd} \right], \tag{18}$$

These yield the formulas:

$$R_1^2 C_{Fl} = \frac{\left[ (1 - \phi_1)^{2.5} (1 - \phi_2)^{2.5} \right]^{-1}}{\left[ (1 - \phi_2) \left[ (1 - \phi_1) + \phi_1 \left( \frac{\rho_{s1}}{\rho_b} \right) \right] + \phi_2 \left( \frac{\rho_{s2}}{\rho_b} \right) \right]} F''(-1), \tag{19}$$

$$R_u^2 C_{Fu} = \frac{\left[ (1 - \phi_1)^{2.5} (1 - \phi_2)^{2.5} \right]^{-1}}{\left[ (1 - \phi_2) \left[ (1 - \phi_1) + \phi_1 \left( \frac{\rho_{s1}}{\rho_b} \right) \right] + \phi_2 \left( \frac{\rho_{s2}}{\rho_b} \right) \right]} F''(1), \tag{20}$$

$$\tilde{N}_{ul} = |\beta'(-1)| \frac{\hat{k}_{hbnf}}{\hat{k}_b}, \tag{21}$$

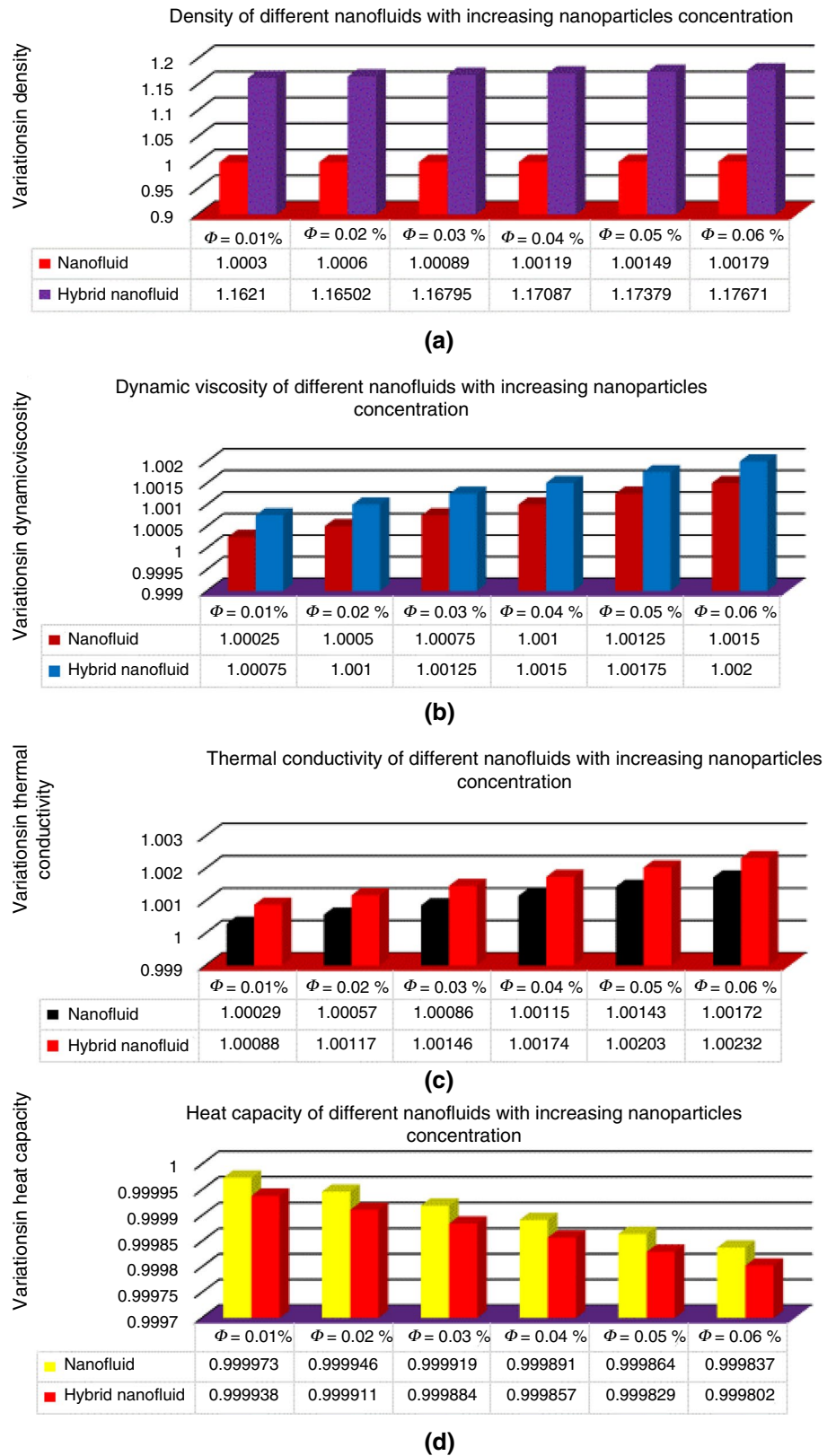
$$\tilde{N}_{up} = |\beta'(1)| \frac{\hat{k}_{hbnf}}{\hat{k}_b}, \tag{22}$$

### Mathematical analysis

The VIM, often known as variational iteration method, is an illustrious semi-analytical scheme which is useful for the solution of classical as well as modern heat transfer problems. This scheme can be allowed for the tackling of both ordinary and partial differential equation models equally. The key advantage of the technique falls in its flexibility and its applicability in solving nonlinear nanofluid models. Primarily, the selection of initial guesses and Lagrange multiplier is the key to initiate the scheme. These two factors depend on the order and boundary conditions of the concerned model. Further, the scheme works by depending on the recursive relation, and high accuracy is corresponds to the maximum number of iterations.

Thus, the variational iteration method is selected to investigate the physical results based on their less computational cost and remarkable accuracy. This method is very useful to tackle such type of bionanofluid models. The desired solutions can be achieved up to higher order accuracy by increasing the number of iterations. The complete working procedure of this technique is elaborated below, and the model is coded according to the following steps.

**Fig. 3** Comparison of nanofluid and hybrid nanofluid properties against increasing mass concentration



**Table 1** The characteristics values of the basic solvent and nanoparticles

Basic fluid/nano-sized particles	Characteristic values			
	$\rho$	$C_p$	$k$	$\sigma$
Blood	1063	3594	0.499	$5.5 \times 10^{-6}$
Graphene	2200	790	5000	$35 \times 10^{-6}$
Ag (spherical)	10500	235	429	$59.6 \times 10^{-6}$

The model is arranged in the subsequent pattern which indicates the linear operators  $(\mathcal{L}_{01}, \mathcal{L}_{02})$ , nonlinearities  $(\mathcal{R}_{01}, \mathcal{R}_{02})$ , linear factors  $(\mathcal{N}_{01}, \mathcal{N}_{02})$ , and nonhomogeneous factors  $(q_{01}^*, q_{02}^*)$ .

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{01} F + \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{01} F + \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_{01} F + \tilde{q}_{01}^* = 0, \tag{23}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{02} \beta + \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_{02} \beta + \tilde{\mathcal{N}}_{02} \beta + \tilde{q}_{02}^* = 0, \tag{24}$$

In this stage, we define the Lagrange multipliers ( $j^*$  order of the model) for the velocity and temperature model equations.

$$\lambda_F^v = \frac{(-1)^{j^*} (\eta - s)^{j^*-1}}{(j^* - 1)!}, \tag{25}$$

$$\lambda_\beta^v = \frac{(-1)^{j^*} (\eta - s)^{j^*-1}}{(j^* - 1)!}, \tag{26}$$

Now, initial solutions for the model are described in the following way:

$$F_0^v = \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\eta^i F(0)}{i!} \text{ and } \beta_0^v = \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\eta^i \beta(0)}{i!},$$

Finally, the analytical solution of the model computed according to the subsequent recursive formula and the accuracy of the solutions is subject to the number of iteration performed.

$$F_{l+1} = \frac{v}{F_0} + \int_0^\eta \lambda_F^v \left( -\mathcal{R}_{01} F(s) - \mathcal{N}_{01} F(s) - q_{01}^*(s) \right) ds, l \geq 0,$$

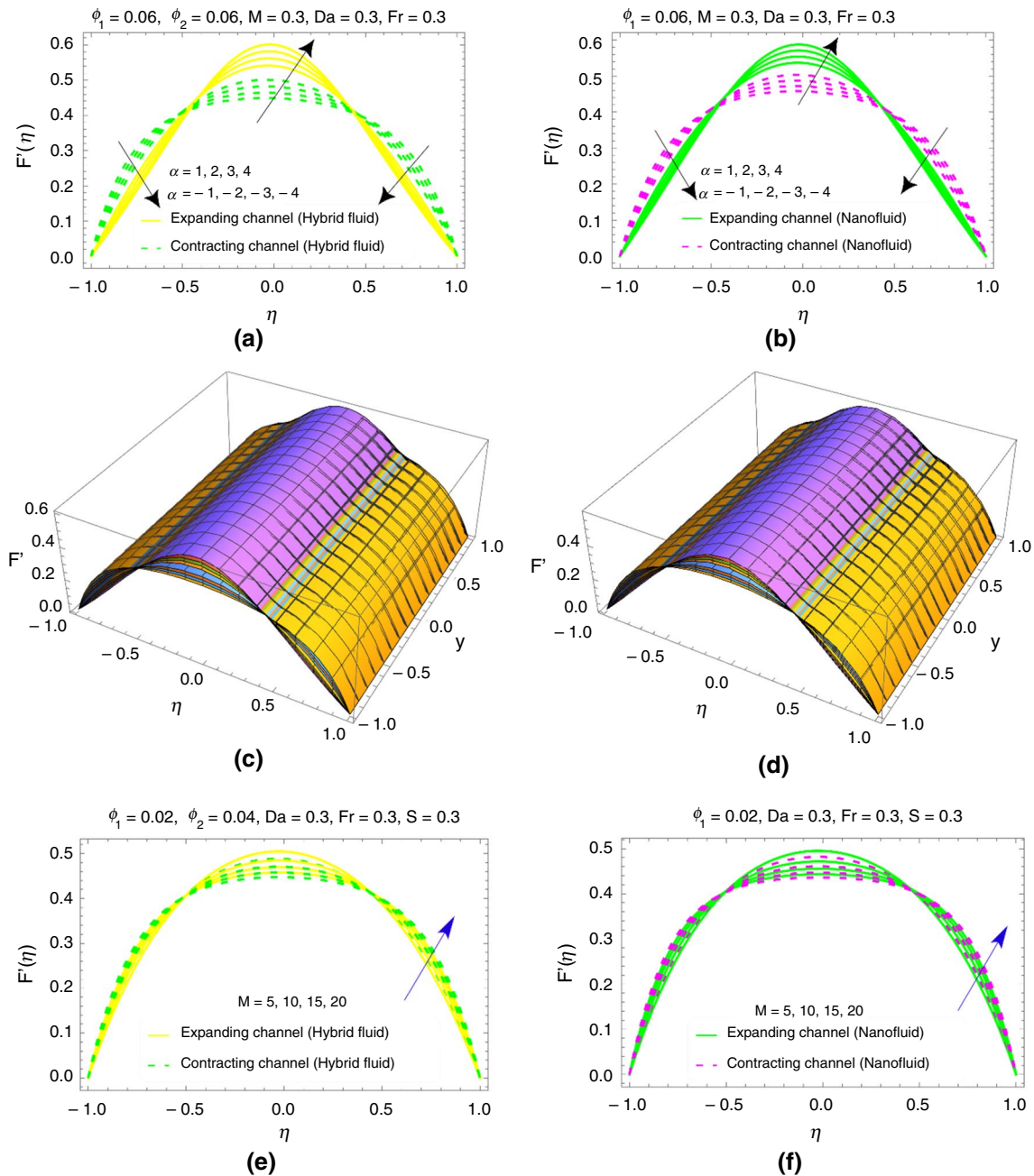
$$\beta_{l+1} = \frac{v}{\beta_0} + \int_0^\eta \lambda_\beta^v \left( -\mathcal{R}_{02} \beta(s) - \mathcal{N}_{02} \beta(s) - q_{02}^*(s) \right) ds, l \geq 0,$$

## Results and discussion

### The velocity and temperature distributions

This section describes the impact of hybrid nanofluid flow parameters, such as expanding/contracting parameter, magnetic parameter, permeable parameter, nanoparticle concentration, Reynolds number, Darcy number, and Forchheimer parameters on the velocity  $F'(\eta)$ . A comparative analysis of solution profiles for the nanofluid and hybrid nanofluid is presented in Figs. 4–6. In the figures, solid lines exemplify the solution for expanding channel, and the dotted lines embody the solution for contracting channel. Figure 4a and b shows a comparative movement of simple and hybrid nanoliquids for  $\alpha$  and exhibits the evolution of fluid in the channel under increasing parametric values of  $\alpha$ . The contraction and expansion circumstances of the domain are recognized. The liquid particles possess optimum velocity about  $\eta = 0$ . Physically, the wall expansion affords high working portion, and thus, the particles stroke is boosted. The fluid molecules are almost fluctuate near values of  $\eta = -0.5$  and  $0.5$  for both nanoliquids. Physically, the contrary pressure resists the liquids movement in the surroundings of the walls. Therefore, the velocity increases slowly for hybrid nanoliquid due to frictional appearances and also looks declines in velocity near the walls according of boundary conditions. The 3D views are displayed in Fig. 4c and d. Figure 4e, f drawings the performance of the fluids on  $F'(\eta)$  using a Hartmann number and displays that near  $\eta \sim 0.5$ , the fluid moves slowly due to reduced Ha but alters the influence before and after for both nanoliquids.

Figure 5a and b reveals the impacts of permutation factor ‘S’ on  $c$  for dual fluids. The appearance of permeability number ‘S’ is due to porous plates. The permeable state on walls of surface results in a substantial diminution in fluid movement. Therefore, for the growing values of S, the fluid moves gradually with controlled motion. Physically, for maximum number of porous region, the particles of fluid drag near the free space and hence reduce the movement in the region. Additionally, the motion of fluid can be handled by contracting the channel and compacting the permeable impacts, and Fig. 5c and d shows 3D trends. Figure 5e and f discourages the velocity profiles  $F'(\eta)$  of (Ag-Go) nanofluids in absorptive channels for multiple levels of volume fraction  $\phi_1$ . Graphically, it describes that the fluid’s velocity escalations same as the volume fraction. Hence, the augmentation in velocity upon leading to the nanoparticles is due to nanoparticles’ strange capacity to interchange rapidly inside the



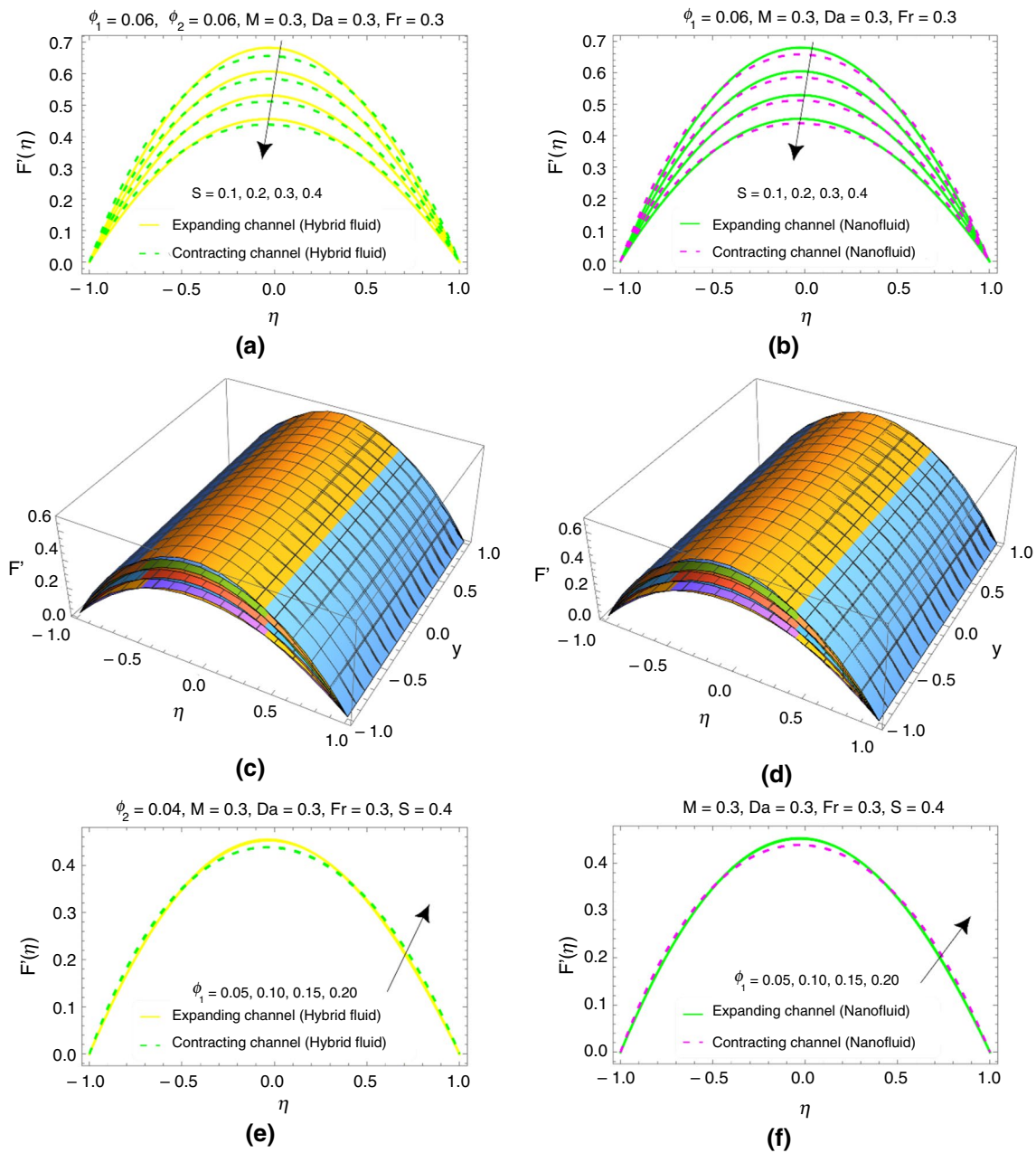
**Fig. 4** The profile  $F'(\eta)$  against ' $\alpha$ ' **a** hybrid and **b** nano, **c, d** 3D view of **(a, b)**, and ' $M$ ' against **e** hybrid and **f** nano

fluid. It is well-known that Reynolds number is significant dimensionless number which effects the movement of liquid.

Figure 6a, b portrays the performance of  $F'(\eta)$  for extending values of  $R_{e1}$  and displays that the fluid motion falls as the  $R_{e1}$  rises. But for HNF, these distinctions are very slow than the simple fluid. Physically, the simple fluid has stronger inertial forces than hybrid nanofluid that is worthy

for rise in the movement. Figure 6c, d signifies the variations in the velocity  $F'(\eta)$  as a function of  $D_a$  (Darcy number) and shows that near the lower plate, velocity abrupt strong increases with growth in constraint  $D_a$  but alteration point occurs near  $\eta \sim 0.5$  and shows contrary behavior after this alteration point. It is recognized that Darcy number  $D_a$  exemplifies the relative influence of the absorptivity of the



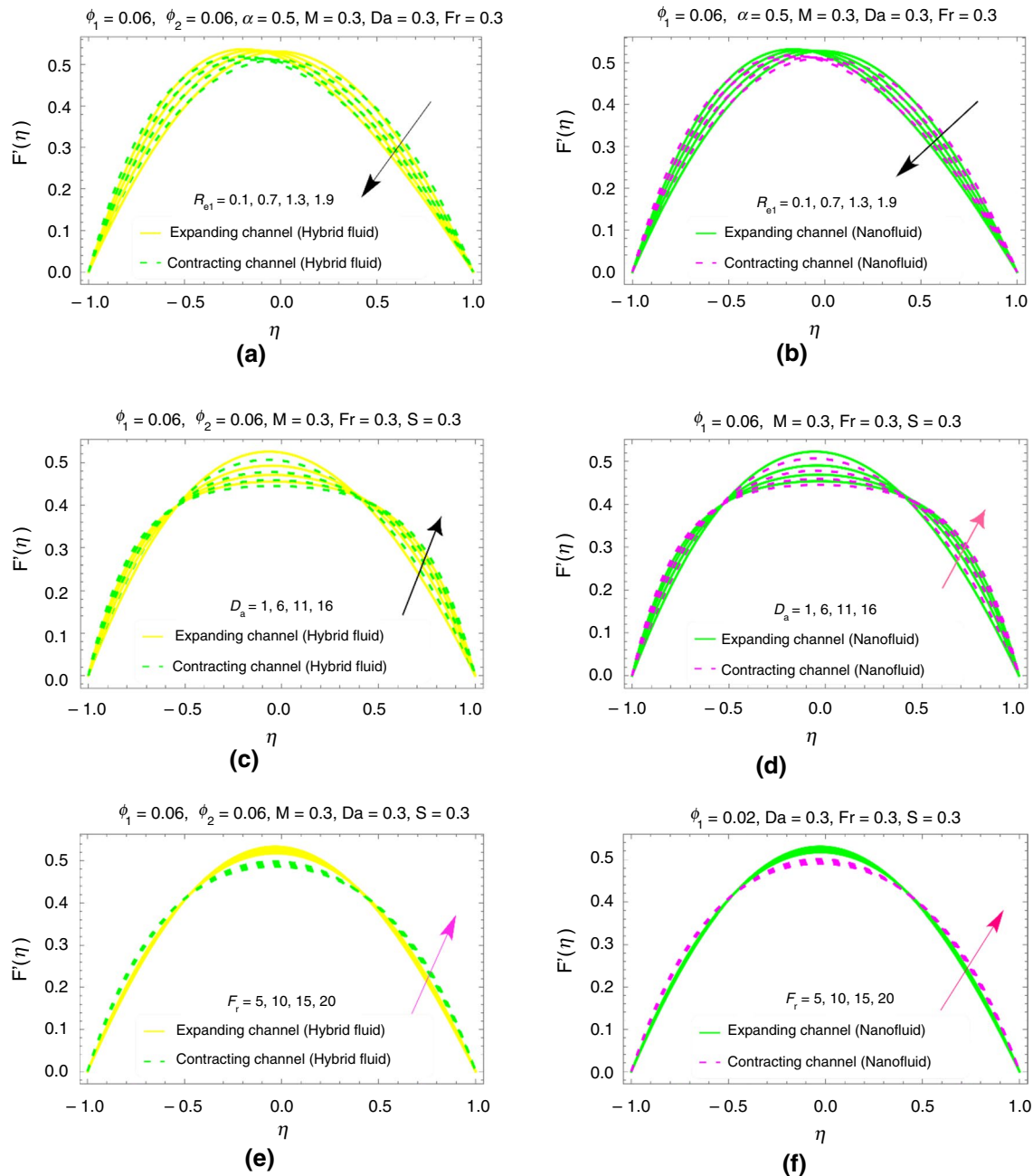


**Fig. 5** The profile  $F'(\eta)$  against ‘ $S$ ’ **a** hybrid and **b** nano, **c, d** 3D view of **(a, b)**, and ‘ $\phi_1$ ’ against **e** hybrid and **f** nano

source versus the cross-sectional area of medium. While, absorptivity estimates the surface capability to flow over its membrane. The impact of Forchheimer parameter on dimensionless velocity is displays in Fig. 6e, f. It is experiential from graph that velocity growth as the Forchheimer number escalates. The purpose for this behavior is that inertia of permeable medium contributes an additional detention to

the fluid flow mechanism, which causes the fluid to move and hence velocity increases.

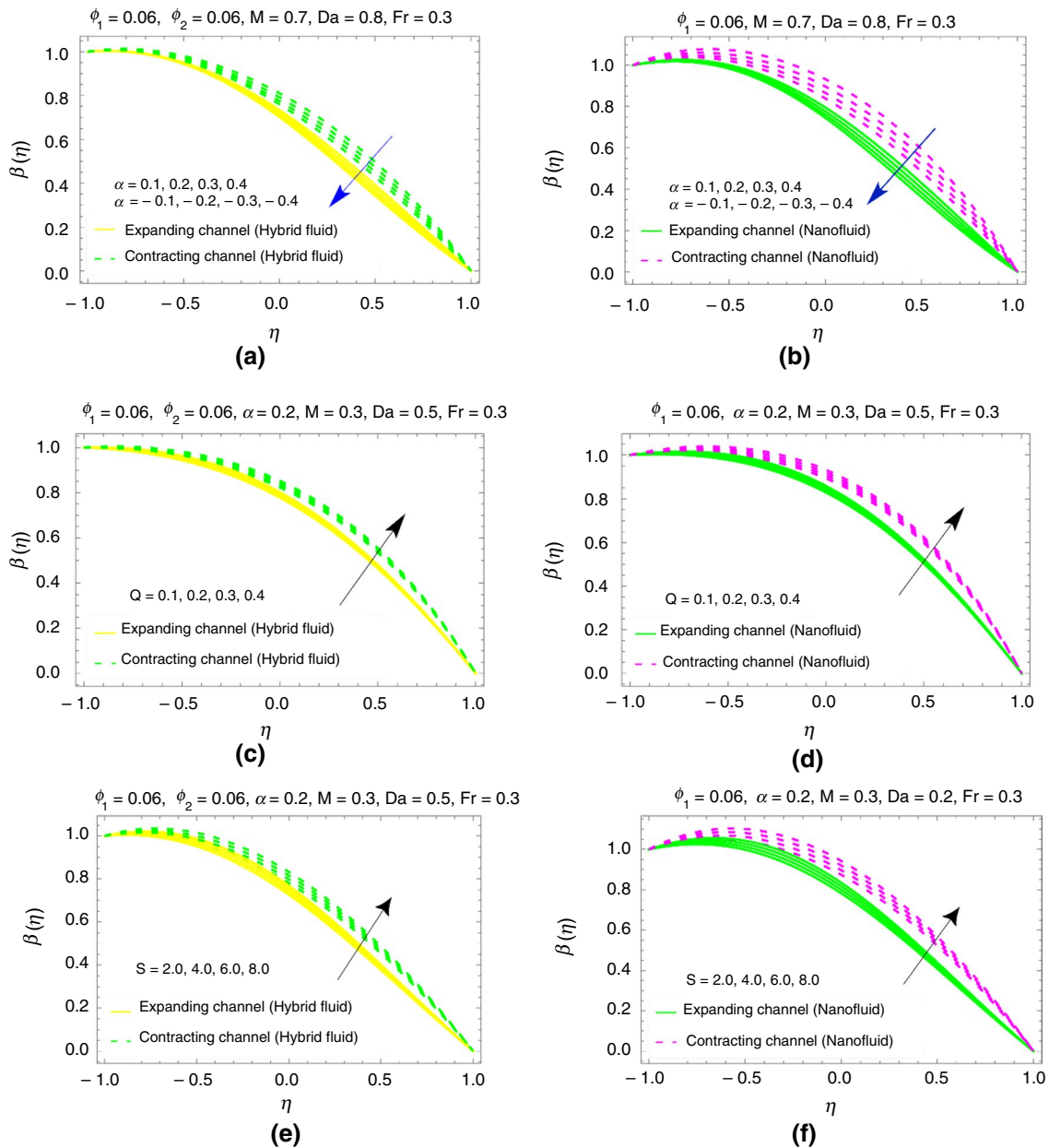
Figures 7–9 exhibit the changes in temperature with alteration of involved parameters. The influence of expansion/contraction parameter  $\alpha$  on  $F'$  is displayed in Fig. 7a, b. It is disclosed from graph that temperature profile  $\beta(\eta)$  decreases with increasing values of parameter. Figure 7c, d reveals the upshots of temperature when the ‘heat generation/absorption



**Fig. 6** The profile  $F'(\eta)$  against ' $R_{e1}$ ' **a** bi-hybrid and **b** nano, ' $D_a$ ' **c** bi-hybrid and **d** nano, and ' $F_r$ ' against **e** bi-hybrid and **f** nano

parameter'  $Q$  increases. The higher assessments of a mentioned parameter results in temperature to raise. The enlargement in parameter  $Q$  suggests the generation of heat in the modeled system and variations correspond to more quantities of heat being produced. Hence, the temperature  $\beta(\eta)$  upsurges with developed assessments of the heat generation

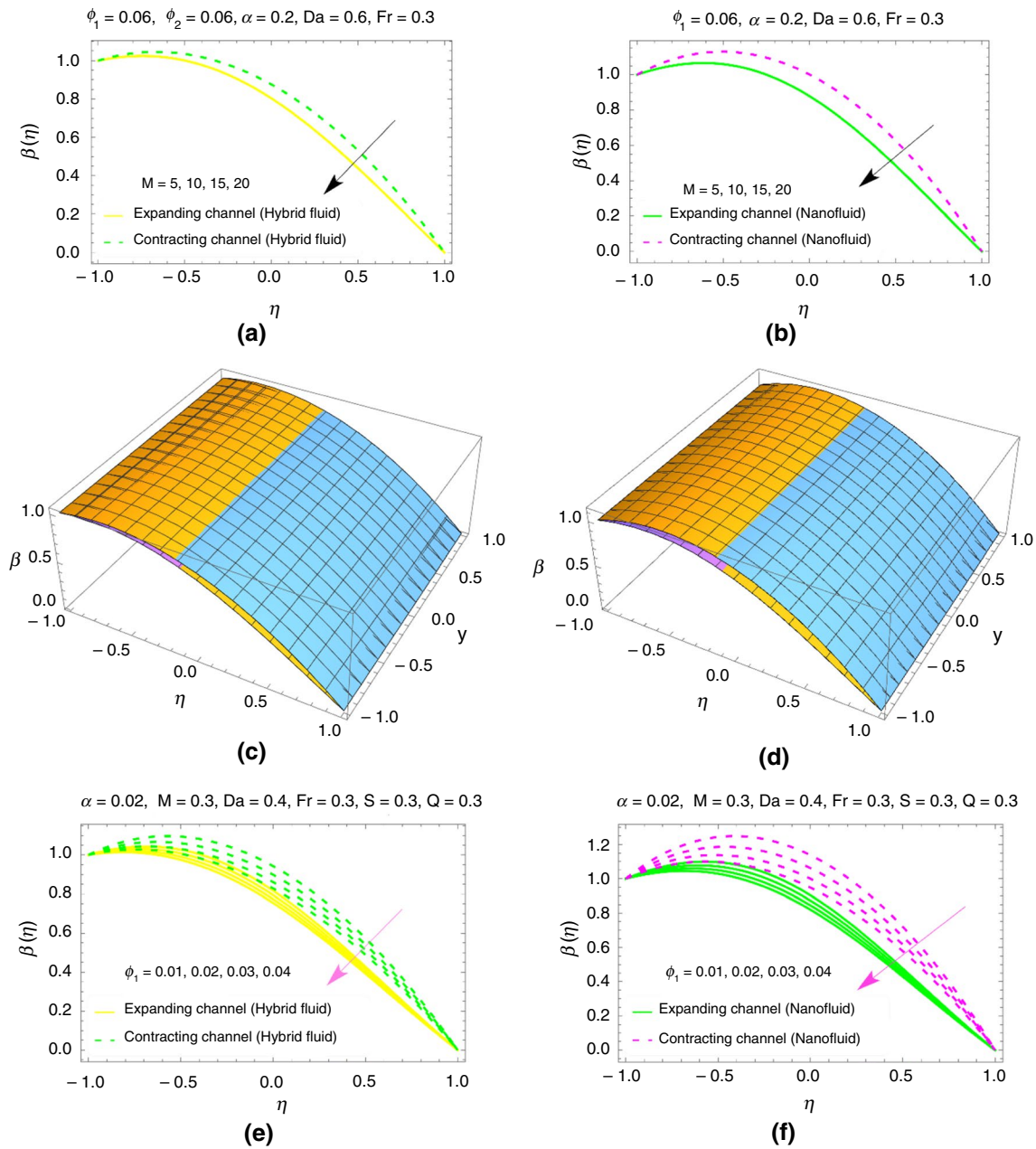
parameter. Figure 7e, f establishes the variation tendency of non-dimensional temperature  $\beta(\eta)$  due to fluctuating in permeable parameter  $S$  for porous surface, and the decrease in  $\beta(\eta)$  is observed when parameter  $S$  is increased. Graphically, it is observed that the heating performance of bi-hybrid nanofluid is more visible than the simple nanofluid.



**Fig. 7** The profile  $\beta(\eta)$  against ‘ $\alpha$ ’ **a** bi-hybrid and **b** nano, ‘ $Q$ ’ **c** bi-hybrid and **d** nano, and ‘ $s$ ’ against **e** bi-hybrid and **f** nano

Figure 8a, b demonstrates the deviate behavior in temperature  $\beta(\eta)$  for varying  $M$ . It is apparent from graph that the improvement in the parameter  $M$  declines the temperature in dual cases. The Lorentz force prevents the mobility of fluid which gives a diminution in the thermal diffusion, and Fig. 8c, d shows 3D view. Nanoparticle fraction effect is detected from Fig. 8e, f which depicts that temperature distribution declines due to increasing values

of parameter. As  $\phi_1$  varies, the intermolecular distance is reduced among simple fluid and hybrid nanoparticles which causes augmented the resistance of flow viscosity of fluid which causes a decrement in temperature as specified in Fig. 8e, f. The increasing  $R_{e1}$  on temperature field is exposed in Fig. 9a, b and is depicts that temperature  $\beta(\eta)$  growths as Reynolds number parameter varies. Figure 9c,



**Fig. 8** The profile  $\beta(\eta)$  against ‘M’ **a** bi-hybrid and **b** nano, **(c, d)** 3D view of **(a, b)**, and ‘ $\phi_1$ ’ against **e** bi-hybrid and **f** nano

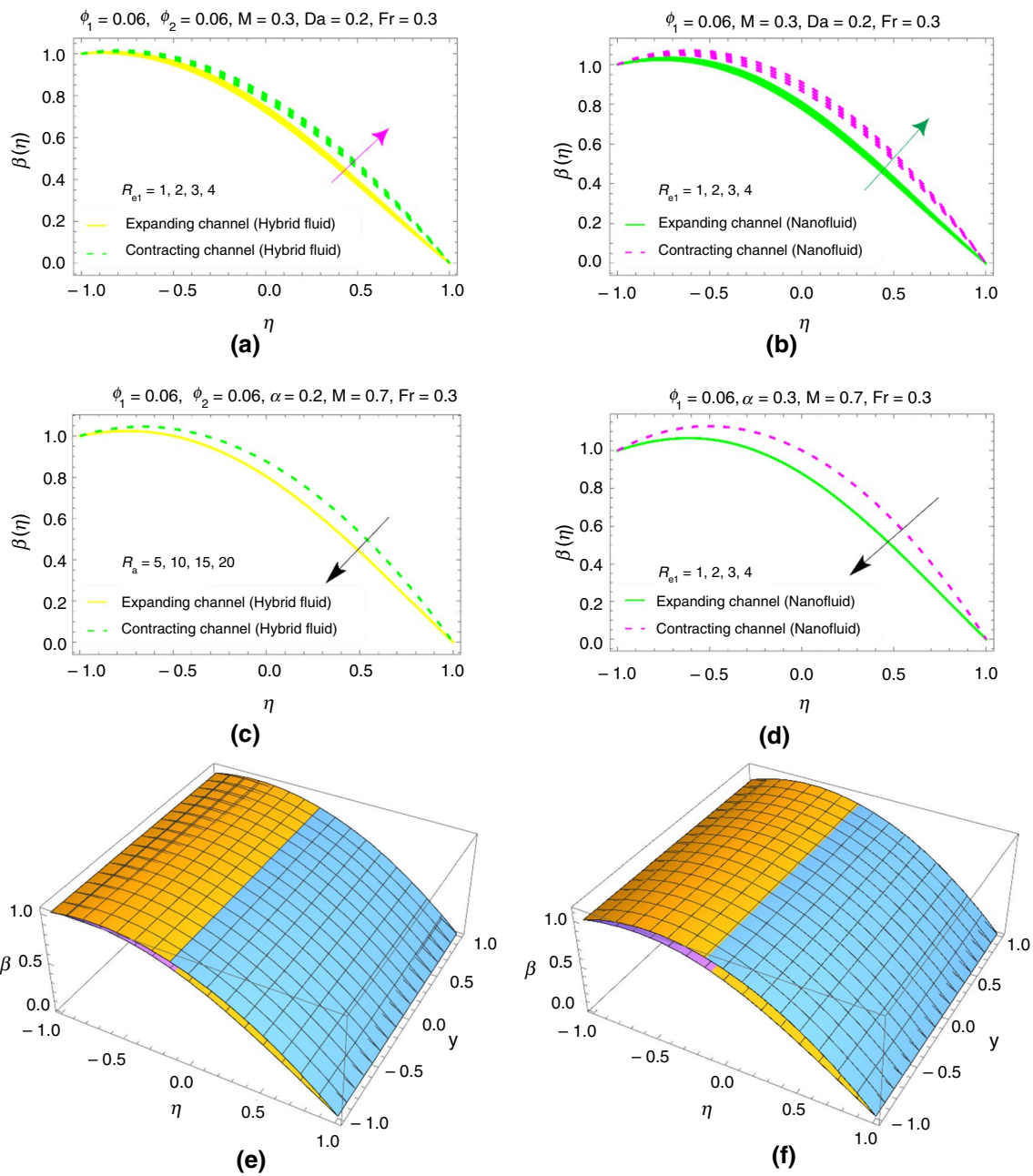
$d$  is plotted to locate the impact of Darcy number parameter  $D_a$  on temperature profile. It is recognized from figure that increasing the Darcy number parameter is decreased for simple and hybrid base fluid, respectively.

**Tabulated results**

The computational results for the local thermal gradient and shear drag for (Ag-Go)/water hybrid nanofluid are

described under this subsection and the calculated for both walls. Table 2 indicates that with addition of GO nanoparticles in blood, the shear drag rises but it is optimized with contraction of plates. Furthermore, the absolute estimation of shear drag upsurges at top of wall. The estimation revealed that the  $R_{e1}$  is main factor to attain extreme shear drags according to other constraints.

Table 3 determines the performance of Nu for hybrid nanofluid under model quantities. The profound analysis



**Fig. 9** The profile  $\beta(\eta)$  against ‘ $R_{e1}$ ’ **a** Hybrid **b** nano, ‘ $D_a$ ’ against **e** Hybrid **f** Nano **(c, d)** 3D view of **(a, b)**

designates that inflation of the particles 1–40% is capable to achieved optimum Nu but it dominates at top end. Further, Fig. 10 highlighting the streamlines pattern and isotherms for the present problem.

### Model validation

The replication of the problem results is of paramount interest in the scientific literature. Therefore, this subsection fixed to provide the current model validity by comparing its results

with the reported data. Thus, the present modified model results under no Lorentz forces, zero nanoparticles concentration, and in non-Darcy medium are furnished and compared the results of Majdalani et al. [56]. The comparative plotted results in Fig. 11a–d ensure that the model results are accurately aligned with the data of Majdalani et al. [56]. The results exhibited for both expanding and contracting cases and found a very good agreement to those of Majdalani et al. [56]. This proves the reliability of the model and its further results in the subsequent section.

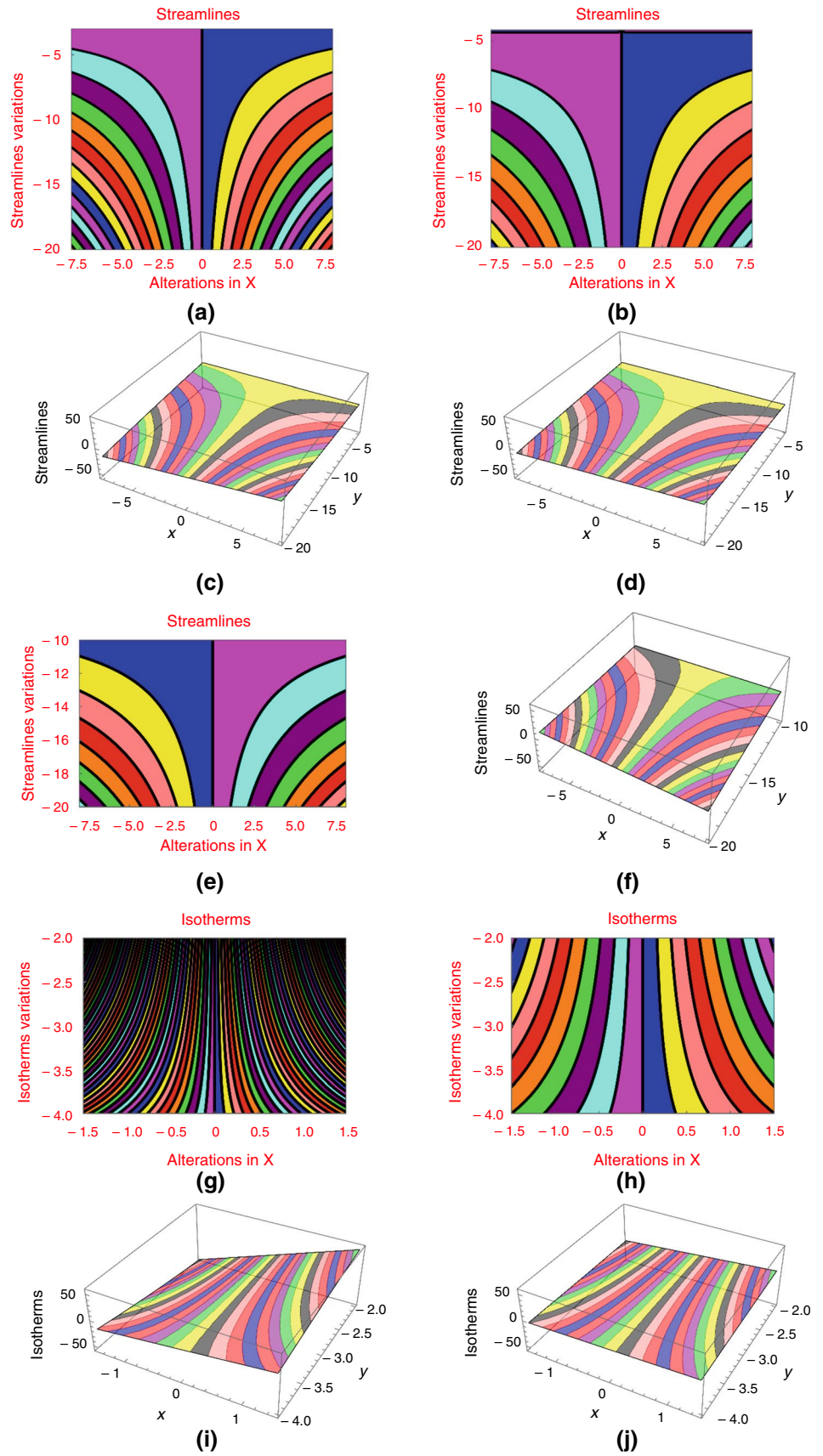
**Table 2** Computations of skin friction for bottom and top end of the channel verses various values of physical constraints

Parameters values								Shear drag values			
$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$	$a$	$M$	$D_a$	$F_r$	$S$	$R_{e1}$	$F''(-1)$		$ F''(1) $	
	0.03	0.3	3.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2	Expansion	Contraction	Expansion	Contraction
0.01								0.9118	0.9875	0.8488	0.9193
0.02								0.9134	0.9889	0.8507	0.9210
0.03								0.9150	0.9903	0.8526	0.9227
0.04								0.916	0.9917	0.8547	0.9245
0.01	0.01							0.9300	0.9998	0.8726	0.9381
	0.02							0.9203	0.9932	0.8601	0.9281
	0.03							0.9118	0.9875	0.8488	0.9193
	0.04							0.9043	0.9827	0.8388	0.9114
	0.03	0.1						0.9362	0.9614	0.8715	0.8950
		0.2						0.9239	0.9744	0.8601	0.9070
		0.3						0.9118	0.9875	0.8488	0.9193
		0.4						0.8999	1.0009	0.8378	0.9318
		0.3	1.0					0.8668	0.8917	0.7973	0.8203
			2.0					0.8898	0.9400	0.8239	0.8703
			3.0					0.9118	0.9875	0.8488	0.9193
			4.0					0.9327	1.0342	0.8724	0.9672
			3.0	0.2				0.8529	0.8778	0.7824	0.8052
				0.3				0.8454	0.8953	0.7763	0.8220
				0.4				0.8381	0.9129	0.7704	0.8391
				0.5				0.8310	0.9308	0.7646	0.8563
				0.5	0.1			0.8655	0.8905	0.7960	0.8189
					0.2			0.8537	0.9036	0.7852	0.8310
					0.3			0.8421	0.9169	0.7746	0.8434
					0.4			0.8306	0.9305	0.7643	0.8560
					0.5	0.1		1.1068	1.1385	1.0316	1.0612
						0.3		0.8546	0.9045	0.7862	0.8321
						0.5		0.6060	0.6601	0.5502	0.5992
						0.7		0.3610	0.4047	0.3234	0.3625
						0.3	0.2	0.8668	0.8917	0.7973	0.8203
							0.4	0.8897	0.9411	0.7553	0.7987
							0.6	0.9127	0.9920	0.7173	0.7790
							0.8	0.9354	1.0441	0.6831	0.7610

**Table 3** Nu computations for bottom and top end of the channel verses various values of physical constraints

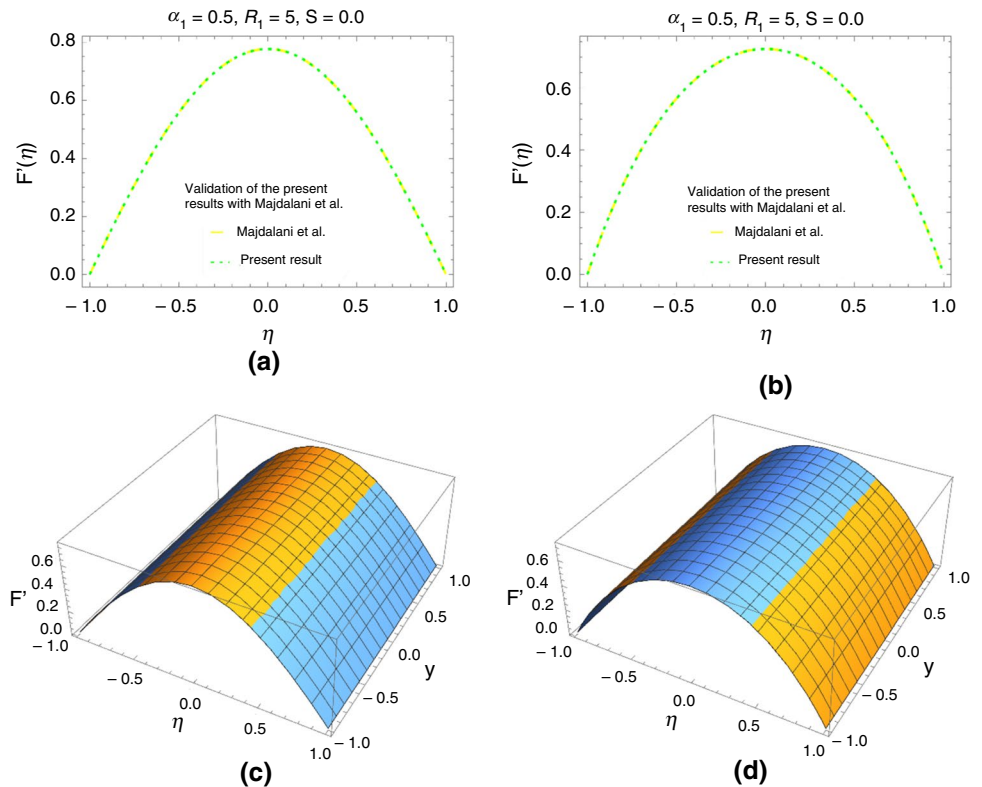
$\phi_1$	Parameters values										Heat transfer gradient variations			
	$\phi_2$	$\alpha$	$M$	$D_a$	$F_r$	$S$	$\varrho$	$R_{ei}$	$ \beta'(-1) $		$ \beta'(1) $			
									Expansion	Contraction	Expansion	Contraction		
0.02	0.03	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
0.04									0.6419	0.8319	1.5196	1.9142		
0.06									0.4876	0.6112	1.3910	1.6966		
0.08									0.3582	0.4371	1.2841	1.5255		
0.02	0.01								0.9402	1.3055	1.7721	2.3826		
	0.03								0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
	0.05								0.7281	0.9621	1.5921	2.0425		
	0.07								0.6382	0.8262	1.5165	1.9083		
	0.03	0.1							0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
		0.2							0.7241	1.3255	1.4724	2.5351		
		0.3							0.6398	1.5885	1.2969	2.9402		
		0.4							0.5710	1.9295	1.1455	3.4345		
		0.1	0.1						0.8281	1.1199	1.6769	2.1988		
			0.2						0.8281	1.1199	1.6768	2.1988		
			0.3						0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
			0.4						0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1986		
			0.3	0.1					0.8281	1.1199	1.6771	2.1991		
				0.4					0.8281	1.1199	1.6768	2.1988		
				0.7					0.8282	1.1199	1.6766	2.1985		
				1.0					0.8282	1.1199	1.6764	2.1982		
				0.5	0.2		0.1		0.8281	1.1199	1.6768	2.1987		
					0.4				0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
					0.6				0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
					0.8				0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
					0.5		0.1		0.7117	0.9721	1.6162	2.1120		
							0.2		0.7699	1.0460	1.6465	2.1554		
							0.3		0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
							0.4		0.8863	1.1936	1.7069	2.2419		
							0.3	0.1	0.0774	0.1116	1.1626	1.4368		
								0.2	0.4080	0.5404	1.3774	1.7452		
								0.3	0.8281	1.1199	1.3774	2.1987		
								0.4	1.3955	1.9755	2.1176	2.9221		
								0.3	0.5863	0.7881	1.3371	1.7600		
								0.2	0.8281	1.1199	1.6767	2.1987		
								0.3	1.0714	1.4537	2.0178	2.6394		
								0.4	1.3160	1.7894	2.3601	3.0819		

**Fig. 10** Contour Upshots/ (Streamline and isothermal) in a–j due to variations in various physical constraints





**Fig. 11** The present model validation with the published scientific data



## Conclusions

The study of hybrid nanofluid in a channel containing two plates is presented. The problem formulation has been done by keeping hybrid nanofluid effective characteristics and similarity transformative rules under consideration. The acquired model investigates via semi-analytical scheme (variational iteration method) and then influences of ingrained physical quantities on the problem dynamics which are simulated and discussed from the physical aspects. It is scrutinized that:

- The movement of hybrid and simple nanofluids under increasing expanding/contracting number  $\alpha = 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0$  and  $\alpha = -1.0, -2.0, -3.0, -4.0$  drops toward the walls, and it upsurges in the middle of the channel.
- The uniform injection of the fluid from the pores present at the walls highly reduced the fluid motion, and rapid declines are observed about  $\eta = 0.0$  which represents the middle area of the channel.
- The increasing strength of magnetic field ( $M = 5.0, 10.0, 15.0, 20.0$ ) and Darcy effects resists the movement of hybrid and conventional nanofluids. Thus, directed magnetic field on the permeable channel is a good source to control the working fluid motion.

- The fluid particles move very slowly under higher Forchheimer effects for both types of considered nanofluids.
- The heat generation number  $Q = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4$  positively enhanced the temperature of both sort of fluids and is examined rapid for contracting channel case.
- The higher magnetic field and strong expansion/contraction of the walls are the sources to diminish the hybrid and nanofluids temperature.

In the future, the study could be extended for various engineered nanofluids comprising aluminum alloys, carbon nanotubes, and other metallic and nonmetallic nanoparticles in the presence of potential physical constituents.

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