

Signifcance of modifed Fourier heat fux on Maxwell hybrid (Cu‑Al2O3/H2O) nanofuid transport past an inclined stretching cylinder

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Abstract

The objective of this study examines the Maxwell hybrid nanofuid fow model over an inclined, stretched cylinder, incorporating magnetic, thermal stratifcation, nonlinear convection, heat source/sink, viscous and Ohmic dissipation efects using a modifed Fourier heat fux model. Flow analysis is conducted for inclined stretching and shrinking cylinders, with a velocity slip condition on the cylinder's surface. Thermal stratifcation is considered when a higher temperature is assumed across the cylinder's surface than the surrounding fluid. A Maxwell hybrid nanofluid is created by dispersing Cu and $A₁O₃$ nanoparticles in H₂O. The mathematical formulation of a nonlinear PDE's are transformed into dimensionless ODEs, solved numerically using MATLAB's bvp4c function. The results of temperature and velocity profles are graphically discussed. The results show that the impacts of the relevant parameters are statistically signifcant, showing their essential infuence on the fow model's heat transfer rate. Magnetic and Maxwell parameters show lower velocity profles. The thermal relaxation and heat generation/absorption parameters enhance the thermal profle. Additionally, the stretching cylinder exhibits 13% and 21% greater heat transfer rates than the shrinking cylinder across various values of the nonlinear thermal Grashof number and thermal stratifcation parameter. These fndings have applications in heat transfer, enhanced oil recovery, advanced cooling systems, renewable energy, and biomedical engineering. Validation and comparison with previous fndings ensure the research's validity and correctness, showing notable agreement.

Keywords Hybrid nanofuid · Nonlinear convection · Thermal stratifcation · Maxwell fuid · Stagnation point

Greek letters

Abbreviations

Subscripts

Introduction

Hybrid nanofuids, such as those composed of copper and aluminium nanoparticles dispersed within a base fuid, represent a novel class of heat transfer fuids with enhanced thermal properties. These fuids have garnered signifcant interest in recent years due to their potential to address challenges in engineering applications where efficient heat transfer is critical. By combining nanoparticles of diferent materials, hybrid nanofluids offer tailored thermal conductivity, viscosity, and stability characteristics that can be optimized for specifc applications across various industries, ranging from electronics cooling and solar energy systems to automotive engineering and aerospace technology. Their unique thermal properties make them attractive candidates for improving heat transfer efficiency and addressing thermal management challenges in numerous engineering applications. Investigations into the fow and heat transfer characteristics of hybrid nanofuids (HNFs) within rotating systems under the infuence of magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) have been conducted by Chamkha et al. [\[1](#page-17-0)]. Their fndings reveal a notable increase in the Nusselt number with escalating volume percentages of nanoparticles within the HNF. Similarly, Waini et al. [[2\]](#page-17-1) have delved into the flow behaviour of nanofuids (NFs) towards a shrinking cylinder composed of Al_2O_3 nanoparticles. Furthermore, Zafar et al. [\[3\]](#page-17-2) explored the impact of a magnetic feld, mass suction, and heat source on the stagnation region of a ternary HNF comprised of $(Cu–Fe₃O₄–SiO₂/polymer)$ approaching a stretching/shrinking cylinder under convective heating conditions. Their investigation unveiled that the ternary HNF exhibited a notably accelerated heat transfer rate compared to hybrid and conventional NFs. Additionally, a computational analysis by Duguma et al. [\[4\]](#page-17-3) scrutinized the behaviour of $\text{CoFe}_2\text{O}_4/\text{TiO}_2$ -H₂O-Casson nanofluids across a slick surface undergoing stretching/shrinking within a Darcy–Forchheimer porous medium. Their study revealed a direct correlation between the increase in nanoparticle volume fraction and the augmentation of the skin friction (drag force) coefficient. These studies and others related to NFs and HNFs are catalogued in references [[5](#page-17-4)[–10](#page-17-5)]. These investigations underscore the growing interest and signifcance of NFs and HNFs in various engineering applications, ofering insights into their dynamic behaviour and potential for enhancing heat transfer efficiency in diverse systems.

A rheological model known as the Maxwell viscoelastic fuid describes materials that display both viscous and elastic behaviour. It comprises a linear combination of a viscous dashpot and an elastic spring. Various felds such as polymer science, geophysics, and biomedical engineering apply this model, emphasizing the crucial understanding of material deformation. Applications range from modelling blood flow in arteries to predicting seismic responses in geology. For instance, in polymer processing, the Maxwell model helps simulate how polymers behave under stress, aiding in the design of manufacturing processes. Examples include modelling the fow of toothpaste or the behaviour of certain types of gels. When magnetic efects are introduced into Maxwell fuids, their rheological properties can be further infuenced, leading to intriguing phenomena and potential applications in various felds such as biomedical engineering, intelligent materials, fuid dynamics, and microfuidics. Their ability to respond to external magnetic felds enables novel functionalities and control mechanisms, paving the way for advancements in diverse felds of science and technology. Research investigations into the flow, heat, and mass transfer behaviours of magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) Maxwell nanofuids (NFs) interacting with cylinders featuring constant heat fux (CC) and non-uniform heat sources/sinks were conducted by Raju et al. [\[11](#page-17-6)]. Their study revealed a noteworthy decrease

in heat transmission rate as the Biot number increased, shedding light on the complex interplay between external heat sources and fuid dynamics in MHD Maxwell NF systems. Bilal et al. [\[12](#page-17-7)] also explored the behaviour of Maxwell NFs undergoing stretching with suction/injection action, particularly in the presence of a magnetic feld. Their investigation uncovered the generation of a resistive force under the infuence of the magnetic feld, resulting in a reduction in fuid velocity and an elevation in temperature. Furthermore, Kavya et al. [\[13](#page-17-8)] conducted numerical simulations to analyse the fow of Williamson hybrid nanofuids (HNFs) along an expanding cylinder under various conditions, including heat production, suction, MHD effects, and variable thermal conductivity. Their fndings indicated a decrease in the heat transfer characteristics of Williamson HNF fow as the Prandtl number values increased, highlighting the intricate relationship between fluid properties and flow dynamics in complex systems. The combined efect of entropy and bilateral reactions on the rotating nanofuid fow model under the impacts of slip and convective boundary conditions is scrutinized by Nisar et al. [\[14\]](#page-17-9). Moreover, the study of Maxwell and Maxwell-NF issues with diferent efects, including exponential or linear stretchable surfaces, has been addressed in references [\[15](#page-17-10)–[17\]](#page-17-11), presenting further intriguing insights into the behaviour of these nanofuids under diverse conditions.

Understanding the complexities of nonlinear convection and heat stratifcation along inclined stretchable cylinders is important across various practical applications. This research provides valuable insights for optimizing heat transfer processes in engineering systems such as solar collectors, thermal energy storage devices, and cooling systems for electronic devices. Engineers can develop more cost-effective and efficient systems to meet specific heat transfer requirements by investigating the effects of thermal stratifcation and nonlinear convection. Moreover, this study contributes to advancing technology in climate control, renewable energy, and thermal management by expanding our knowledge of fuid mechanics and thermal sciences, paving the way for innovative solutions. Hayat et al. [[18](#page-17-12)] explored the characteristics of double-stratifed mixed convection stagnation point fow induced by an impermeable inclined stretched cylinder. Their fndings indicated that lower values of the stratifed parameter corresponded to more excellent temperature distribution. Rehman et al. [[19](#page-17-13)] investigated mixed convection tangent hyperbolic fuid fow towards an extending cylindrical surface with thermal stratifcation in a separate study. They observed that, contrary to the trend of the thermal stratifcation parameter, the temperature of the tangent hyperbolic fuid increased as the inclination angle increased. Furthermore, Gopal et al. [[20\]](#page-17-14) examined the effects of thermal stratification and heat generation/absorption on magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) Carreau nanofluid (NF) fow over a permeable cylinder. Their investigation revealed that, compared to the heat absorption scenario, heat creation imposed a greater limit on temperature. Moreover, Hayat et al. [\[21](#page-17-15)] delved into the impacts of thermal radiation and nonlinear convective fow on Maxwell NFs. Additionally, Sehrish et al. [\[22\]](#page-17-16) studied the effects of nonlinear convection across an inclined sheet, observing that fuid velocity increased with higher thermal Grashof numbers. Because common fuids such as oils, ethylene glycol, and water have low thermal conductivity, technological breakthroughs have enabled creative techniques to improve thermal performance. For instance (Refer to [[23\]](#page-17-17)).

Understanding thermal transport phenomena in various industrial and technical processes relies on analysing Cattaneo–Christov (CC) heat fux using hybrid nanofuids (HNFs) over an inclined stretched cylinder. Incorporating the non-Fourier heat conduction mechanism, which elucidates the limited speed of heat propagation, is crucial for predicting more accurate thermal behaviours. This model fnds applications in designing and optimizing cooling systems in nuclear reactors, enhancing heat exchangers, and developing efficient thermal management techniques for electronics cooling. Moreover, utilizing HNFs, which combine diferent types of nanoparticles, can signifcantly enhance convective heat transfer rates and thermal conductivity, leading to energy-efficient systems. Precise heat management is vital in the manufacturing, automotive, and aerospace sectors, where advancements from this study may occur. Recent research by Hussain et al. [[24\]](#page-17-18) investigated the CC model with double stratifcation, heat source, and thermal relaxation efects, revealing that temperature decreases as the thermal relaxation parameter increases. Christopher et al. [[25\]](#page-17-19) examined Darcy–Forchheimer flow on an MHD hybrid stretchable cylinder induced by a magnetic feld with CC heat fux, fnding that velocity decreases with an increase in the magnetic parameter. Farooq et al. [\[26\]](#page-17-20) also studied the CC model for Carreau nanofuid fows via a stretched cylinder, revealing the thermal relaxation parameter intensifying with the Nusselt number.

By the conclusion of the project, we aim to address the following research gaps:

- How nonlinear thermal convection and stratification effects alter the velocity and temperature profiles of Maxwell hybrid nanofuid over a stretching cylinder is paramount.
- Analysing the influence of different fixed values on skin friction and heat transfer rates.
- Investigating how streamlines and isotherms are afected by the magnetic feld and thermal stratifcation efects

provides valuable insights into the fuid fow and thermal behaviour near the stretching cylinder's surface.

To enhance heat transfer efficiency in various engineering applications, there is a growing focus on understanding Maxwell hybrid nanofuids' thermal behaviour under Cattaneo–Christov (CC) heat flow, as discussed in the referenced literature. Utilizing the unique characteristics of CC heat fux and Maxwell HNF fuid holds signifcant promise for advancing thermal management strategies and ofering potential solutions to improve performance and energy efficiency across various technical disciplines. Our study introduces innovative elements, including considerations for thermal stratifcation, nonlinear thermal convection, heat source efects, and viscous and joule heating. By incorporating these factors, the modifed heat fux model with Maxwell HNF fow aims to deliver more efective solutions in engineering domains, resulting in enhanced rates of heat transmission.

Mathematical description of the problem

Consider Maxwell hybrid nanofuid's incompressible stagnation point fow directed towards an inclined cylindrical surface undergoing linear extension. This analysis incorporates the efects of mixed convection and magnetohydrodynamics (MHD). The velocities of stretching/shrinking and free stream are assumed to follow $U_w(z) = \frac{U_0 z}{l}$ and $w_e(z) = \frac{w_{\infty}z}{l}$, Fig. [1](#page-3-0) schematically depicts the flow model. Additionally, the Cattaneo–Christov (CC) heat flow model enhances heat transfer. Cylindrical coordinates are selected, with the *r*-axis perpendicular to the cylinder and the z-axis along its axial direction. The governing equations for the fow can be expressed using formulations

outlined in previous studies by Narayanaswamy et al. [[5](#page-17-4)], Raju et al. [[11](#page-17-6)], and Sudarmozhi et al. [[17](#page-17-11)].

Continuity equation

It represents mass conservation within a fuid domain. It states that the rate of change of mass in a control volume equals the net mass fow into or out of the volume. Fluid flow over a stretching cylinder describes mass distribution and conservation, revealing fow patterns and velocities.

$$
\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{u}{r} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0.
$$
 (1)

Momentum equation

It describes momentum conservation in fluid flow, considering pressure, viscous, and external forces. In fuid fow over a stretching cylinder, it predicts velocity and fow behaviour and assesses the impact of viscosity and external force.

$$
\begin{aligned}\n&\left(u\frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + w\frac{\partial w}{\partial z}\right) + \tau \left(w^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} + u^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r^2} + 2uw \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r \partial z}\right) \\
&= w_{\rm e} \frac{dw_{\rm e}}{dz} + \frac{\mu_{\rm inf}}{\rho_{\rm inf}} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}\right) - \frac{\sigma_{\rm inf}B_0^2}{\rho_{\rm inf}} \left(\tau u \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + w\right) \\
&+ g \left[\left(\beta_{\rm T}\right)_{\rm hnf} \left(T - T_{\infty}\right) + \left(\beta_{\rm T}\right)^2_{\rm hnf} \left(T - T_{\infty}\right)^2\right] \cos \alpha\right\}\n\end{aligned} \tag{2}
$$

Energy equation

It governs energy conservation in fluid flow, considering heat transfer mechanisms like conduction, convection, and radiation. It analyses temperature distribution and heat transfer rates in a fuid fow over a stretching cylinder, assessing the impact of thermal stratifcation and convection on thermal behaviour (Table [1\)](#page-3-1).

Fig. 1 Coordinate system and physical model

Table 1 The thermophysical properties of both the base fluid (H_2O) and nanoparticles Cu-Al₂O₃ (See Refs. $[5-7]$ $[5-7]$ $[5-7]$)

Physical properties	Fluid phase (f)	Nanoparticles phase (ϕ)	
	Water (f)	Copper (ϕ_1)	Alumina (ϕ_2)
	4180	385	765
$C_p/JKg^{-1}K$ ρ/Kgm^{-3}	997	8933	3970
k /W m K ⁻¹	0.6071	400	40
$\beta_{\rm T} / {\rm K}^{-1}$	21×10^{-5}	1.67×10^{-5}	8.5×10^{-6}
$\sigma/(\Omega \,\mathrm{m})^{-1}$	0.05	5.96×10^{7}	3.69×10^{7}

$$
\lambda \left(w^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} + u^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + 2u w \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r \partial z} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + u \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + w \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{k_{\text{hnf}}}{(\rho c_p)_{\text{hnf}}} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\mu_{\text{hnf}}}{(\rho c_p)_{\text{hnf}}} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial r} \right)^2 + \frac{Q_0}{(\rho c_p)_{\text{hnf}}} \left(T - T_{\infty} \right) + \frac{\sigma_{\text{hnf}} B_0^2}{(\rho c_p)_{\text{hnf}}} w^2,
$$
\n(3)

The boundary conditions associated with Eqs. (1) (1) to (3) (3) are regarded following [[27](#page-17-22)]

$$
w = U_{\mathbf{w}}(z) + B_1 \frac{\partial w}{\partial r}, u = 0, T = T_{\mathbf{w}} = T_0 + \frac{bz}{l} \quad \text{at} \quad r = a.
$$
\n⁽⁴⁾

$$
w \to w_e, T = T_\infty = T_0 + \frac{cz}{l} \quad \text{as} \quad r \to \infty.
$$
 (5)

The stream function, which fulfls the continuity Eq. ([1\)](#page-3-3) consistently, can be defned as follows:

$$
w = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \text{ and } u = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z}.
$$
 (6)

The similarity variables (η) , stream function (ψ) and dimensionless variables are utilised to transform the energy and flow equations into ordinary differential equations (ODEs).

$$
\eta = \frac{r^2 - a^2}{2a} \left(\frac{U_0}{v_f l} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \psi = \left(\frac{U_0 v_f z^2}{l} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} a f(\eta), \psi = \frac{U_0 z}{l} f',
$$

$$
u = \frac{-a}{r} \left(\frac{U_0 v_f}{l} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} f(\eta), \theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_{\infty}}{T_{\infty} - T_0}
$$
(7)

By substituting Eq. (7) into Eqs. (2) (2) (2) – (5) (5) , the following equations can be obtained.

Momentum equation without dimensions,

$$
\frac{\mu_r}{\rho_r} \left[(1 + 2\eta \gamma) f''' + 2\gamma f'' \right] + ff'' - (f\prime)^2 \n+ \beta_1 \left(2ff' f'' - \frac{\gamma}{(1 + 2\eta \gamma)} f^2 f'' - f^2 f''' \right) + \nA^2 - M^2 \frac{\sigma_r}{\rho_r} \left(-\beta_1 R eff'' + f' \right) \n+ \cos \alpha \left[G r \frac{(\rho \theta_T)}{\rho_r} \theta + \left(\frac{(\rho \theta_T)}{\rho_r} \right)^2 G r_1 \theta^2 \right] = 0,
$$
\n(8)

Energy equation without dimensions,

Table 2 Thermal and physical properties of a hybrid nanofuid $(Cu-Al₂O₃/H₂O)$ [\[6\]](#page-17-23)

$$
\frac{\frac{k_{\rm r}}{(\rho c_{\rho})_{\rm r}}\frac{1}{\rho r}\left[(1+2\eta\gamma)\theta^{\prime\prime}+2\gamma\theta^{\prime}\right]-\lambda_{1}\left[f^{2}\theta^{\prime\prime}-ff^{\prime}\theta^{\prime}+(\delta+\theta)\right]}{\left(f^{\prime2}-ff^{\prime\prime}\right)\right]+f\theta^{\prime}-(\delta+\theta)f^{\prime}+\frac{\mu_{r}}{(\rho c_{\rho})_{\rm r}}Ec(1+2\eta\gamma)\left(f^{\prime\prime}\right)^{2} +M^{2}\frac{\sigma_{r}}{(\rho c_{\rho})_{\rm r}}Ec\left(f^{\prime}\right)^{2}+\frac{1}{(\rho c_{\rho})_{\rm r}}Q\theta=0,
$$
\n(9)

The aforementioned boundary conditions (4) (4) – (5) are converted into a dimensionless representation.

$$
f = 0, f' = 1 + Bf'', \theta = 1 - \delta, \text{ at } \eta = 0.
$$
 (10)

$$
f' = A, \theta = 0 \text{ as } \eta \to \infty.
$$
 (11)

where

$$
\mu_{\rm r} = \mu_{\rm hnf} / \mu_{\rm f}, \rho_{\rm r} = \rho_{\rm hnf} / \rho_{\rm f}, \sigma_{\rm r} = \sigma_{\rm hnf} / \sigma_{\rm f}, (\rho \beta_{\rm T})_{\rm r} = \frac{(\rho \beta_{\rm T})_{\rm hnf}}{(\rho \beta_{\rm T})_{\rm f}}, \nk_{\rm r} = k_{\rm hnf} / k_{\rm f}, (\rho c_{\rm p})_{\rm r} = (\rho c_{\rm p})_{\rm hnf} / (\rho c_{\rm p})_{\rm r}, \gamma = \left(\frac{\omega l}{a^2 U_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \nM^2 = \frac{\sigma_f l B_0^2}{\rho_f U_0}, \beta_1 = \frac{\tau U_0}{l}, B = B_1 \left(\frac{U_0 v}{l}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \nA = \frac{w_{\infty}}{U_0}, \lambda_1 = \frac{\lambda U_0}{l}, Gr = \frac{g \beta_{\rm IT} (T_{\rm w} - T_{\infty})}{U_0 U_{\rm w}}, \nGr_1 = \frac{g \beta_{\rm IT}^2 (T_{\rm w} - T_{\infty})^2}{U_0 U_{\rm w}}, \beta = \frac{\rho_0 l}{k_{\rm f}}, Ec = \frac{U_0^2 (T_{\rm w} - T_0)}{b(c_{\rm p})_{\rm f}}, \nQ = \frac{Q_0 l}{U_0 (\rho c_{\rm p})_{\rm f}}, \delta = \frac{c}{b}. \tag{12}
$$

The formulas presented in Table [2](#page-4-3) illustrate the physical parameters of the HNF (Cu-Al₂O₃/H₂O) Where ϕ denotes the volume percentage of the nanoparticles, namely ϕ_1 = $(\phi_{\rm cu})$ signifies the volume fraction of the first nanoparticle copper, and $\phi_2 = (\phi_{\text{Al2O3}})$ denotes the volume fraction of the second nanoparticle aluminium oxide. Furthermore, the heat capacitance is represented by the symbols $(\rho C_p)_f$,
 (ρC) and (ρC) . The thermal conductivities are denoted ρC_p ₁ and (ρC_p) ₂. The thermal conductivities are denoted as k_f , k_1 and k_2 , while the densities are represented as ρ_f , ρ_1 and ρ_2 . The electrical conductivities are denoted as σ_f , σ_1 and σ_2 . Additionally, the thermal expansion coefficients of the pure material and the HNF are denoted $(\rho \beta_T)_{f}$, $(\rho \beta_T)_{I}$ and $(\rho \beta_T)_2$, respectively.

Physical form quantities of engineering interest

The study of skin friction aids in understanding the behaviour of the boundary layer and the formation of the fow structure along the stretching cylinder. The analysis of the Nusselt number distribution facilitates the evaluation of the efficacy of heat transfer enhancement methods and the identifcation of areas characterized by higher or lower heat transfer rates throughout the surface of the stretching cylinder. It is described as follows:

$$
C_{\rm f} = \frac{2\tau_{\rm w}}{\rho_{\rm f} U_{\rm w}^2}, \text{Nu}_{\rm z} = \frac{zq_{\rm w}}{k_{\rm f}(T_{\rm w} - T_0)}.
$$
(13)

into a set of frst-order equations by introducing supplementary variables. This restructuring facilitates a more tractable approach to the problem, enabling efficient computation and analysis. Equations [\(8\)](#page-4-1) and ([9](#page-4-2)) of the interconnected nonlinear ODE system are infuenced by the boundary conditions (10) (10) and (11) (11) that were solved using this approach. The acceptable value for the convergence conditions was certainly 10−6. Initially, a system of frst-order simultaneous equations was simplifed by incorporating the equivalent concept.

$$
f = y(1), f' = y(2), f'' = y(3), \theta = y(4), \theta' = y(5)
$$

$$
y'(1) = y(2)
$$

$$
y'(2) = y(3)
$$

$$
y'(3) = \frac{M^2 \frac{\sigma_r}{\rho_r} (y(2) - \beta_1 \text{Re}y(1)y(3)) + (y(2))^2 - \frac{\mu_r}{\rho_r} 2\gamma y(3) - y(1)y(3) - \beta_1 (2y(1)y(2)y(3) - \frac{\gamma}{(1+2\eta\gamma)} (y(1))^2 y(3)) - \cos \alpha \left[G r \frac{(\rho \beta_T)_r}{\rho_r} \theta + \left(\frac{(\rho \beta_T)_r}{\rho_r} \right)^2 G r_1 \theta^2 \right]}{\left((1+2\eta\gamma) \frac{\mu_r}{\rho_r} - \beta_1 (y(1))^2 \right)}
$$

$$
y'(4) = y(5)
$$

y� (5)

= $\lambda_1[(\delta+y(4))(\gamma(2)^2-y(1)y(3))-y(1)y(2)y(5)]-\frac{k_t}{(\rho c_p)_t}\frac{1}{\Pr}\Big[2\gamma y(5)\Big]+(\delta+y(4))y(1)-y(1)y(5)-\frac{\mu_t}{(\rho c_p)_t}\mathop{\rm Ec}(1+2\eta\gamma)(y(3))^2-M^2\frac{\sigma_t}{(\rho c_p)_t}\mathop{\rm Ec}(y(2))^2-\frac{1}{(\rho c_p)_t}\mathcal{Q}y(4)$ $\frac{k_r}{(\rho c_p)_r} \frac{1}{\text{Pr}} (1 + 2\eta \gamma) - \lambda_1 (y(1))^2$

where

$$
\tau_{\rm w} = \mu_{\rm hnf} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial r}\right)_{r=a} \text{ and } q_{\rm w} = -k_{\rm hnf} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial r}\right)_{r=a}.
$$

The expressions of physical quantities in non-dimensional forms are:

$$
C_{\rm f} \text{Re}_{z}^{0.5} = 2\mu_{\rm f} f''(0), \quad \text{Nu}_{z} \text{Re}_{z}^{-0.5} = -k_{\rm r} \theta'(0). \tag{14}
$$

Numerical procedure

This section outlines our methodology for addressing the system of ordinary diferential equations acquired. These equations, characterized by nonlinearity and dimensionless boundary conditions, present a computational challenge. To tackle this, we employ a widely recognized technique known as the shooting method. Specifcally, we utilize the bvp4c function, an integral component of MATLAB, popular computational software (See fow chart Fig. [2](#page-6-0)). Initially, we transform the higher-order ordinary diferential equations

where the initial conditions

$$
y_a(1) = 0
$$
, $y_a(2) = 1 + Bf''$, $y_b(2) = A$

 $y_a(4) = 1 - \delta$, $y_b(4) = 0$.

The present study employs this methodology to investigate the parameter efect, which involves the computation of numerical values for the Nusselt number and skin friction. These results are illustrated in Figs. [3–](#page-6-1) [13](#page-10-0) and presented in Tables [3](#page-10-1) and [4.](#page-11-0)

Validation

To assess the precision of our numerical computations, Tables [3](#page-10-1) and [4](#page-11-0) present a comparison between the current outcome and previous published works of [\[28](#page-17-24)] and [\[29](#page-18-0)]. The numerical results are compared to the fndings of [[28](#page-17-24)] and [\[29\]](#page-18-0) across several values of the *A* and Pr. This comparison illustrates a strong alignment between the current and previous investigations.

Fig. 2 Flow chart of bvp4c scheme

Result and discussion

This part aims to investigate the numerical fndings using physical explanations. HNF obtains the fow and heat transport characteristics across a stretched/shrinked surface. Table [1](#page-3-1) displays the characteristics of the base fuid containing copper nanoparticles and aluminium oxide. The 4th order Runge–Kutta with shooting method was applied efectively to solve equations. To derive the mathematical outcomes, we assigned specifc values to various non-dimensional parameters: $\phi_1 = 0.02$, $\phi_2 = 0.02$, $0 < M < 1.8$, 0 $\langle \beta_1 \times 1.8, 1 \times Gr \times 3, 1 \times Gr_1 \times 9, 7 \times Pr \times 9, 0.1$ $\langle \lambda_1 \times 0.8, \ 0 \times E_C \times 0.4, \ 0.1 \times Q \times 0.5, \ 0 \times \delta \times 0.1.$ A graphical representation of flow profiles (Figs. $3-8$ $3-8$) was generated, illustrating the infuence of these non-dimensional parameters using numerical values obtained in our study. Also, numerical outcomes of skin friction and Nusselt number are presented in bar charts (see Figs. [9–](#page-10-2) [13](#page-10-0)). Furthermore, to analyse the fow we have plotted streamlines for various physical parameters (see Figs[14](#page-11-1)– [17](#page-12-0)).

Velocity and temperature profles

In Fig. [3a](#page-6-1), the graph illustrates the impact of parameter *M*, indicating a proportional decrease in the velocity profle with higher values of *M*. Raising the values of the magnetic parameters makes the magnetic feld surrounding the stretching cylinder stronger. An enhanced magnetic feld interacts with the Maxwell hybrid nanofuid, a conducting fuid. The magnetic feld interacts with the electrically conducting fuid to produce the Lorentz force, which acts as an opposing force to the fuid's velocity. Therefore, the fuid's velocity along the stretching cylinder is reduced due to the Lorentz force's drag force. The opposing Lorentz force makes it harder for the fluid to flow freely along the inclined surface, which causes the velocity profle of the fuid to collapse. Graphing the infuence of parameter *M*, as shown in Fig. [3b](#page-6-1), the $\theta(\eta)$ consistently increases as *M* values increase. Maxwell hybrid nanofluids can have improved thermal conductivity with an increase in the magnetic parameter. Magnetic felds with higher feld strength can improve nanoparticle dispersion and alignment in fuids. Because of the enhanced distribution and alignment, the fuid can transmit heat more efficiently. The temperature profile can also rise because the fuid is subject to the Lorentz force, which, through viscous

Fig. 3 a The impact of magnetic parameter on velocity. **b** The impact of magnetic parameter on temperature

Fig. 4 a The Efect of velocity ratio parameter on velocity. **b** The efect of velocity ratio parameter on temperature

Fig. 5 a Maxwell parameter's effects on velocity. **b** Maxwell parameter's effects on temperature

Fig. 6 a The Efect of thermal Grashof number on velocity. **b** The efect of thermal Grashof number on temperature

Fig. 7 a Nonlinear thermal Grashof number's impact on velocity. **b** Nonlinear thermal Grashof number's impact on temperature

dissipation, can produce heat. Consequently, the temperature profile of the Maxwell hybrid nanofluid flow along the inclined stretched cylinder increases as the values of the magnetic parameters increase. This is due to both the higher thermal conductivity and the heat generation from viscous dissipation.

Figure [4a](#page-7-0) demonstrates how changes in the velocity ratio parameter (A) affect the $f'(\eta)$. The parameter A gives a cylinder's stretching or contracting velocity relative to the free stream velocity. The free stream velocity has a greater impact on the cylinder's stretching/shrinking velocity as the parameter *A* rises. When the velocity ratio parameter is larger than the free stream velocity, it means that the fuid encounters less drag caused by stretching and shrinking. The velocity profle increases as the fuid can fow more freely along the inclined stretching/shrinking cylinder. Because the fuid particles encounter less resistance from the expanding and contracting surface, they can align more closely with the direction of the free stream velocity, leading to this rise. Figure [4b](#page-7-0) illustrates how alterations in the velocity ratio parameter impact the distribution of temperature. Higher values of the parameter *A* promote improved fow mixing, facilitating enhanced heat exchange between the fuid and its surroundings. This increased fuid velocity near the cylinder surface boosts the convective heat transfer coefficient, facilitating greater heat transport from the surface. Consequently, this heightened heat dissipation leads to a diminished temperature gradient near the cylinder surface, resulting in a lowered fuid temperature profle. Additionally, the escalation in velocity ratio parameter values primarily stems from the improved thinning of the thermal boundary layer and flow

acceleration, which fosters energy dissipation. These combined effects contribute to a more efficient convective heat transfer away from the cylinder surface.

Figure [5](#page-7-1)a demonstrates how the $f'(\eta)$ is affected by changes in the β_1 . The Maxwell fluid parameter is a measure of the relaxation time scale related to the fuid's reaction to stimulus. The higher the values of the β_1 , the slower the fuid is to react to external forces. The viscoelastic behaviour of a fuid becomes more apparent and its responsiveness to changes in the external flow field decreases as the β_1 increases. As a result, the fuid's velocity profle along the inclined stretching/shrinking cylinder decreases due to the increasing resistance to flow. The Maxwell fluid's viscoelastic properties make it difficult for the fluid particles to bend and fow freely in response to external forces, including the cylinder's expansion and contraction, which causes the volume to decrease. The fndings regarding the impact of the β_1 on the $\theta(\eta)$ are presented in Fig. [5](#page-7-1)b. Increased internal friction inside the fuid is caused by the higher viscosity associated with higher β_1 values. The subsequent increase in energy dissipation due to the conversion of kinetic energy into heat is a direct result of the increased internal friction. As a result, the fuid experiences a temperature increase, leading to an enhanced $\theta(\eta)$. There is an increase in viscosity, a decrease in heat transfer rates, an increase in energy dissipation, and a possibility of shear-thinning behaviour due to the rise in β_1 values. All of these things add together to make the fuid's temperature profle higher than normal.

As depicted in Fig. [6](#page-7-2)a, there is a notable increase in velocity as the Gr rises. The Gr is a measure of the pressure gradient between the buoyant and viscosity forces acting on

Fig. 8 a Temperature profle fuctuation for the Prandtl number. **b** Temperature profle fuctuation for the thermal relaxation parameter. **c** Temperature profle fuctuation for the Eckert number. **d** Temperature

profle fuctuation for the Heat source/sink parameter. **e** Temperature profle fuctuation for the Thermal stratifcation parameter

Fig. 9 Skin friction variations versus β_1

Fig. 10 Skin friction variations versus *M*

Fig. 11 Heat transfer rate in relation to Pr

Fig. 12 Heat transfer rate in relation to Gr_1

Fig. 13 Rate of heat transmission versus δ

Table 3 Comparison of $C_f(Re_z)^{0.5}$ at various values of A in the scenario where all other parameters are set to zero and $Pr = 1$

A	Mahapatra and Gupta $[28]$	Ishak et al. $[29]$	Present
0.1	-0.9694	-0.9694	-0.969441
0.2	-0.9181	-0.9181	-0.918117
0.5	-0.6673	-0.6673	-0.667267
2	2.0175	2.0176	2.017519
	4.7293	4.7296	4.729332

a fuid. When the Gr values rise, it means that the buoyancydriven flow is getting stronger because the density gradients and temperature diferences in the fuid are getting larger. Fluids move more efficiently along the inclined stretching/shrinking cylinder when the thermal Grashof number is high because buoyancy forces are stronger than viscous forces. Consequently, the fuid's velocity profle increases as it undergoes more vertical motion, as determined by the

Table 4 Comparison of Nu_zRe_z^{0.5} at different Pr values for the scenario where $A = 1$, $\alpha = 0$, Gr = 1, and many other parameters are all set to zero

Pr	Ishak et al. $[29]$	Present
0.72	1.0931	0.993589
6.8	3.2902	3.129265
20	5.6230	5.448548
40	7.9463	7.762845
60	9.7327	9.541027
80	11.2413	11.011737
100	12.5726	12.362720

Fig. 14 Streamline when $M = 0$

temperature gradient. Because the buoyancy-driven fow overcomes viscous resistance and promotes fuid movement down the inclined surface, it produces larger-scale fuid motion, which causes this increase. Figure [6b](#page-7-2) illustrates the impact of the Gr on $\theta(\eta)$. The intensified buoyancy-driven flow resulting from elevated Gr values improves convective heat transfer, facilitating greater heat transport from the cylinder surface. Moreover, the escalation in Gr values is predominantly linked to augmented natural convection and potentially a thicker thermal boundary layer, both of which aid in enhancing convective heat transfer away from the cylinder surface. Consequently, this heightened heat dissipation leads to a diminished temperature gradient near the cylinder surface, culminating in a decrease in the temperature profle of the fuid.

Fig. 15 Streamline when $M = 5$

Fig. 16 Isothermal when $\delta = 0$

Figure [7](#page-8-0)a displays the influence of Gr_1 on $f'(\eta)$. The Gr_1 refects the heightened nonlinear buoyancy efect in fuid flow induced by temperature differences and density gradients. As these values increase, so does the intensity of the buoyancy-driven fow, leading to enhanced fuid motion along the inclined cylinder. This increased fuid motion results in a heightened velocity profile as the stronger nonlinear buoyancy efect overcomes viscous resistance,

Fig. 17 Isothermal when $\delta = 5$

promoting fuid movement along the inclined surface. Figure [7b](#page-8-0) demonstrates the temperature distribution variation for different Gr_1 values. The fluid's temperature profile drops as the $Gr₁$ rise. Because of the increased buoyancy effects in the fluid flow, this effect occurs. A stronger nonlinear buoyancy efect, resulting in more vigorous fuid motion along the inclined cylinder, is indicated by a rise in the values of the nonlinear thermal Grashof parameters. So, the direction of the temperature gradient determines whether the fuid experiences enhanced velocity upwards or downwards. The fuid's temperature profle is reduced as a consequence of the greater fuid velocity, which afects the distribution of temperatures.

Figure [8](#page-9-0)a displays the results of Pr on $\theta(\eta)$. A rise in the Pr values results in a reduction in the $\theta(\eta)$ of the fluid. This phenomenon arises from the impact of heat difusivity on the fuid dynamics. A greater Pr indicates a lower thermal difusivity, meaning that the fuid conducts heat less efficiently compared to its momentum. As the Pr values increase, the dissipation rate of temperature gradients within the fuid reduces. This leads to a decrease in the temperature distribution, as the fuid holds onto more heat close to the surface of the cylinder instead of efectively releasing it into the surrounding environment. The temperature distribution for different values of λ_1 is presented in Fig. [8](#page-9-0)b. Increasing the λ_1 values leads to an increase in the $\theta(\eta)$ of the fuid. This is because the thermal relaxation afects the fuid's ability to equilibrate with its surroundings. A higher thermal relaxation parameter means that the fuid can adjust its temperature more easily in response to external changes. As a result, the fuid becomes more responsive to thermal changes, leading to a faster adjustment of its temperature profle. This ultimately results in an overall increase in the fuid's temperature profle as it reaches thermal equilibrium more efficiently with its surroundings. Figure [8](#page-9-0)c displays the impact of Ec on $\theta(\eta)$. Higher values of the Ec indicate a stronger infuence of kinetic energy compared to thermal energy in the fuid fow. This implies that a greater proportion of the fuid's energy is in the form of kinetic energy in comparison with its thermal energy. As a result, when the values of *Ec* increase, the fuid becomes more efective in turning its kinetic energy into heat through convective processes. The increased convective heat transfer leads to a more efficient dispersal of heat from the surface of the cylinder into the surrounding fuid, resulting in an overall rise in the temperature of the fuid. Figure [8](#page-9-0)d is analysed to determine the effect of *Q* on the $\theta(\eta)$. Increasing the values of the heat source parameter increases the temperature profle of the fuid. This phenomenon can be explained by the direct impact of the heat source on the thermal energy inside the fuid domain. As the values of the heat source parameter increase, a greater amount of thermal energy is added to the system, usually in the form of heating that is concentrated in certain areas. As a result, the extra thermal energy causes the fuid's total temperature to rise, leading to an elevated temperature profle. The heat source directly transfers heat to the fuid, resulting in an increase in temperature throughout the entire area, which in turn leads to a higher temperature distribution within the fuid. Figure [8e](#page-9-0) illustrates the temperature $\theta(\eta)$ decreases on increasing the thermal stratification parameter (δ) . This leads to more pronounced temperature diferences between diferent layers of the fluid, which prevents the efficiency of heat transfer between these layers. Consequently, the overall temperature profile of the fluid decreases. Higher values of the δ result in a more segregated temperature distribution within the fuid, causing the fuid near the cylinder surface to be cooler compared to scenarios with lower values of the δ . This decrease in temperature profle is directly caused by the hindered heat transfer between diferent layers of the fuid, which can be attributed to the increased thermal stratifcation.

A general observation from the velocity and temperature profles

From the velocity profles, we noticed that the diference in velocity profles between the elongating and contracting cylinders can be ascribed to causes such as alterations in

surface area caused by stretching, the impact of flow acceleration, and the efects of the boundary layer. These factors together result in a greater velocity profle for the shrinking cylinder in comparison with the expanding cylinder. Stretching a cylinder increases its surface area, which in turn increases the amount of heat that may be transferred from the fuid to its environment. Stretching also improves convective heat transmission by increasing fuid mixing. On the other hand, a lower temperature profle and less heat transfer result from a decreased surface area and restricted fuid velocity caused by a shrinking cylinder. Because of the larger surface area and better convective heat transmission, the temperature profle of the expanding cylinder is higher than that of the shrinking cylinder.

The effect of the β_1 on C_f is depicted in Fig. [9](#page-10-2). As the values of the β_1 increase, the viscoelastic behaviour of the fluid becomes more noticeable, resulting in increased skin friction along the surface of the cylinder. This increased viscoelasticity, especially for the stretching vertical cylinder, along with its greater surface area, increases the drag force, leading to noticeably higher skin friction values and total drag force as compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder. For instance, when considering various values of the β_1 , the stretching vertical cylinder experiences a 33% increase in drag force compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder. The diference between drag force and elongating and contracting vertical cylinders becomes more pronounced as the β_1 increases, indicating the increasing infuence of the fuid's viscoelastic properties. Figure [10](#page-10-3) illustrates how the M parameter afects the C_f . When the magnetic field parameter values, denoted as M , increase, the C_f of the fluid intensifies. This heightened C_f is attributed to the stronger influence of the magnetic feld on the fuid fow, which increases resistance along the cylinder surface. The increase in skin friction is further compounded by the larger surface area of the stretching vertical cylinder compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder. This enhanced drag force is particularly pronounced, with a 44% increase compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder, across various values of *M*. Therefore, as *M* values rise, the fuid experiences greater skin friction due to the heightened magnetic infuence on fow dynamics.

Improvement of heat transfer

In Fig. [12,](#page-10-4) the influence of the Gr_1 on the Nu_z is depicted. As Gr_1 values increase, convective heat transfer intensifies due to heightened buoyancy-driven fow near the cylinder surface. This leads to more efficient heat exchange between the fuid and its surroundings, resulting in a higher Nusselt number. Compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder, a 13% increase in heat transfer is observed for the stretching

vertical cylinder across various values of $Gr₁$. Figure [11](#page-10-5) illustrates how changes in Pr affect the Nu_z . This graph allows us to observe how variations in Prandtl number values correspond to changes in the Nusselt number, providing insights into the thermal behaviour of the system. The heat transfer rate increases on increasing the Pr value. It means that a greater ratio of momentum difusivity to thermal diffusivity in the fuid, there is an enhancement in convective heat transfer efficiency. This is reflected in the Nusselt number, which increases with higher Pr values. Consequently, compared to the shrinking vertical cylinder, an 11% increase in heat transfer has been observed for the stretching vertical cylinder across various Pr values. This augmentation occurs due to improved thermal boundary layer development and enhanced mixing near the surface, resulting in more efficient heat transfer from the cylinder to the surrounding fuid. Figure [13](#page-10-0) shows how the Nu_z is affected by changes in the δ parameter. By examining this graph, we can better understand how alterations in the δ parameter values correspond to shifts in the Nusselt number, providing valuable insights into the system's thermal behaviour the values of the δ increase, the level of stratifcation within the fuid intensifes. This indicates that the temperature diferences between various layers of the fuid become increasingly prominent. As a result, the heat transfer between these layers becomes less efective, causing an increase in the overall Nusselt number of the fuid. The stretching vertical cylinder shows greater Nusselt numbers because of the increased stratifcation efect than the shrinking vertical cylinder, where an increase in the δ values has led to a 21% increase in heat transmission.

Stream lines and isotherms

The streamline and isothermal graphs for the different parameters are depicted in Figs. [14](#page-11-1)– [17.](#page-12-0) When the value of *M* is zero, it has no impact on the fow characteristics of the Maxwell HNF. The patterns observed in the streamlines would be attributed mainly to several factors, including stretching efects and fuid characteristics. As the value of *M* increases to 5, the Lorentz force becomes more prominent, hence impacting the flow of the fluid. In this study, we have noticed that variations in streamline patterns may result in the formation of more structured fow structures or changes in the thicknesses of the boundary layer near the stretching cylinder. Furthermore, it is worth mentioning that a lower value of $\delta = 1$ indicates a diminished impact of thermal stratifcation. The temperature distribution inside the fuid domain has a reasonably uniform pattern, characterized by low changes in temperature. As the value of δ increases to 2, the magnitude of temperature change resulting from density diferences becomes more prominent. Enhanced thermal

stratifcation efects are refected in this instance by more pronounced temperature gradients and clearly defned areas of warmer and colder fuid.

Applications

- Understanding of nonlinear thermal convection and stratifcation efects plays a crucial role in enhancing the efficiency of damping performance, particularly in various domains such as automotive suspensions and seismic isolation systems.
- The application of natural convection in geothermal energy systems facilitates the transmission of heat from the Earth's interior. Knowledge of nonlinear effects plays an important part in the optimization of good design and fluid circulation, hence improving the efficiency of heat extraction and overall system performance.
- Aircraft engine cooling systems experience signifcant temperature variations and aerodynamic obstacles. The comprehension of nonlinear thermal convection efects plays an essential role in the optimization of cooling techniques, as it facilitates the efective evacuation of heat and enhances engine performance.

Tabular values

In this article, we go over the computational results for the local skin friction and Nusselt parameters, as well as the numerical variation in values that results from these physical factors. Table [5](#page-14-0) illustrates the impact of several physical characteristics on the local Nus selt number. In the case of stretching and shrinking decelerates from M , β_1 , Ec , Q and δ and enhance for A, Gr, Gr_1, Pr and λ_1 , respectively, when the values $0 < M < 1.5, 0 < A < 0.3, 0 < \beta_1 < 1, 0.1 < Gr < 2.5, 0.1 < Gr_1$ $< 9, 7 < Pr < 9, 0 < \lambda_1 < 0.3, 0 < Ec < 0.3, 0 < Q < 0.3, 0$ $< \delta < 0.1$ are restricted. By using the CC heat flux condition, heat transfer in the fuid coming from the cylinder is more efective. Furthermore, a rise in Prandtl number values led to an increase in Nusselt's count. The reason for this is because a liquid with an excessive Prandtl num ber will transfer heat more quickly due to its increased heat capacity. Table [6](#page-16-0) shows the impact of many relevant factors on the skin friction coefficient. The proportionate reduction for both stretching and shrinking cases is shown in A, Gr, Gr₁, whereas the reverse feature is seen in M , β_1 , respectively.

Conclusions

Present applications include enhancing thermal conductivity in sustainable energy systems, optimizing industrial heat management, and perfecting electronics cooling systems. The CC model for Maxwell HNF fows through an inclined stagnated cylinder was considered in this study. Current flow is seen by taking into account the effects of heat sink/ source, thermal stratifcation, viscosity, and Joule dissipations. The MATLAB "bvp4c" solver was used to solve our mathematical model numerically. The results of the fndings are summarized as:

- Compared to the shrinking cylinder, the stretching cylinder has increased heat transfer by 21% as the term δ values stimulate internal heating across the fow regime
- The temperature output demonstrates that the HNF's temperature increased with the λ_1 and Q, leading to an enhanced thermal distribution
- Raising the M value has increased the stretching cylinder's drag force by 44% compared to the shrinking cylinder owing to the induced electromagnetic force
- It was found that the fuid velocity damped when the magnetic parameter increased in both the shrinking and

stretching tube scenarios as Lorentz force opposes fow and inspired bonding force.

- The stretching/shrinking ratio parameter's value increases the heat transmission rate and decreases the friction factor due to an induced nanoparticle molecular bonding
- The Nusselt number strengthens the thermal relaxation parameter as heat source terms are encouraged

Future directions include energy technology, sophisticated cooling systems applications, efficiency optimization, and the investigation of novel hybrid nanofuid compositions. The stream dynamics within a stretched/shrieked cylinder have several potential scientifc and practical applications. The present study's conclusions might be helpful for many model studies. The present issue's discoveries are also fascinating in many felds of science and industry where boundary layers are strained.

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