# IMPACT OF ARRHENIUS ACTIVATION ENERGY IN VISCOELASTIC NANOMATERIAL FLOW SUBJECT TO BINARY CHEMICAL REACTION AND NON-LINEAR MIXED CONVECTION

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The computational investigations on mixed convection stagnation point flow of Jeffrey nanofluid over a stretched surface is presented herein. The sheet is placed vertical over which nanomaterials flowing upward direction. Arrhenius activation energy and binary chemical reaction are accounted. Non-linear radiative heat flux, MHD, viscous dissipation, heat source/sink, and Joule heating are considered. Initially the non-linear flow expressions are converted to ordinary one and then tackled for series solutions by homotopy analysis method. Consider flow problem are discussed for velocity, temperature and concentration through various flow variables. Furthermore, skin friction coefficient, Sherwood number, and heat transfer rate are computed graphically.

Key words: activation energy, non-linear radiative heat flux, Jeffrey nanofluid, viscous dissipation and Joule heating

### Introduction

Studies of non-Newtonian fluids have great interest due to their wide range applications in various field like physiology, pharmaceutical, fiber technology, coating of wires, food products, crystal growth and so forth. Properties of non-Newtonian fluid cannot characterize by single constitutive relation. Therefore, various non-Newtonian fluid models have been proposed, see [1-14]. Generally, these models are divided into rate, differential and integral types. Here we focused on Jeffrey fluid model. Which is a rate type fluid model and it is describe both relaxation and retardation times behavior. Studies associated to Jeffrey fluid can be seen in [15-22].

Suspension of nanoscale sized particles in base fluid is known as nanofluid. Nanoparticles in base fluid used to improve thermal conductivity of base fluid. There are ample demands of nanofluids in various fields like medical, industries and engineering, *etc.* For heating and cooling purpose nanofluids used in industries, modern drug delivery system, electronic devices batteries and hyperthermia, *etc.* Heat transfer enhancement by nanoparticles was first addressed Choi [23] and Buongiorno [24] developed a model to describe thermal conductivity enhance-

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ment in nanomaterials. He addressed seven slip phenomena *i. e.* Brownian diffusion, thermophoresis, Magnus, gravity, fluid drainage and inertia. He concluded that thermophoresis and Brownian diffusion are major ruling slip phenomena in the nanomaterials. Shekholeslami *et al.* [25] studies the impact of MHD on flow of CuO-water nanomaterials with mixed convection. Farooq *et al.* [26] disclosed influences of non-linear thermal radiation and MHD on stagnation point flow of viscoelastic nanofluid. Abbasi *et al.* [27] explored flow of nanomaterial over a moving surface. The effect of magnetic dipole on flow of Maxwell nanofluids is investigated by Hayat *et al.* [28]. Lin *et al.* [29] explored impact of MHD on flow of pseudo-plastic nanomaterial. Studies associated to nanofluid can be seen in [30-35].

The objective of this investigation is to examine the influences of activation energy, heat source/sink, viscous dissipation, Joule heating, magnetic field on non-linear mixed convective stagnation point flow of non-linear radiative Jeffrey nanofluids over a stretching sheet. Transformations procedure is implemented to transform the governing partial differential equations into ordinary ones. Series solution is pointed out by homotopy algorithm [36-38].



Figure 1. Systematic diagram

The outcome of flow variable on concentration, velocity, temperature, Sherwood number, Nusselt number and skin friction is analyzed and discussed through graphs.

#### Modelling

Mixed convection stagnation point flow of Jeffrey nanofluid over a stretchable surface is investigated. Arrhenius activation energy and binary chemical reaction are considered. Electrically conducting fluid is considered. Energy equation is discussed in the presence of non-linear radiative heat flux and heat source/sink. Furthermore, dissipation and Joule heating are taken. Flow diagram is presented in fig. 1. The flow expressions [39]:

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

$$\tilde{u}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial y} = \tilde{u}_{e}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}_{e}}{\partial x} + \frac{\sigma B_{0}^{2}}{\rho}\left(\tilde{u}_{e} - \tilde{u}\right) + \frac{v}{1 + \lambda_{2}}\left[\frac{\partial^{2}\tilde{u}}{\partial y^{2}} + \lambda_{1}\left(\tilde{u}\frac{\partial^{3}\tilde{u}}{\partial x\partial y^{2}} + v\frac{\partial^{3}\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^{2}\tilde{u}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^{2}\tilde{u}}{\partial y^{2}}\right)\right] \cdot g\left[\chi_{1}\left(\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}\right) + \chi_{2}\left(\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}\right)^{2} + \chi_{3}\left(\tilde{C} - \tilde{C}_{\infty}\right) + \chi_{4}\left(\tilde{C} - \tilde{C}_{\infty}\right)^{2}\right]$$
(2)

$$\tilde{u}\frac{\partial\tilde{T}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v}\frac{\partial\tilde{T}}{\partial y} = \frac{k}{\rho c_p}\frac{\partial^2\tilde{T}}{\partial y^2} - \frac{16\sigma}{3k\rho c_p}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\tilde{T}^3\frac{\partial\tilde{T}}{\partial y}\right) + \tau \left[D_B\left(\frac{\partial\tilde{C}}{\partial y}\frac{\partial\tilde{T}}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{D_T}{\tilde{T}_{\infty}}\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial y}\right)^2\right] + \frac{Q_0}{\rho c_p}\left(\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}\right) + \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho c_p}\tilde{u}^2 + \frac{\mu}{\rho c_p(1+\lambda_2)}\left[\left(\frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \lambda_1\left(\tilde{u}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^2\tilde{u}}{\partial x\partial y} + v\frac{\partial\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^2\tilde{u}}{\partial y}\right)\right]$$
(3)

$$\tilde{u}\frac{\partial\tilde{C}}{\partial x} + \tilde{v}\frac{\partial\tilde{C}}{\partial y} = D_B\frac{\partial^2\tilde{C}}{\partial y^2} + \frac{D_T}{\tilde{T}_{\infty}}\frac{\partial^2\tilde{T}}{\partial y^2} - k_r^2\left(\tilde{C} - \tilde{C}_{\infty}\right)\left(\frac{\tilde{T}}{\tilde{T}_{\infty}}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{E_a}{\kappa\tilde{T}}\right)$$
(4)

with

$$\tilde{u} = u_w(x) = ax, \ \tilde{v} = 0, \ -k\frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial y} = h_f\left(\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}\right), \ D_B\frac{\partial \tilde{C}}{\partial y} + \frac{D_T}{\tilde{T}_w}\frac{\partial \tilde{T}}{\partial y} = 0 \ \text{at } y = 0$$

$$\tilde{u} \to u_e(x) = bx, \ \tilde{T} \to \tilde{T}_w, \ \tilde{C} \to \tilde{C}_w \ \text{as } y \to \infty$$
(5)

Implementing [40]:

$$\tilde{v} = -\sqrt{av} f(\eta), \quad \tilde{u} = axf'(\eta), \quad \theta(\eta) = \frac{\tilde{T} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}}{\tilde{T}_{w} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}}$$

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{a}{v}} y, \quad \phi(\eta) = \frac{\tilde{C} - \tilde{C}_{\infty}}{\tilde{C}_{w} - \tilde{C}_{\infty}}$$
(6)

The flow expressions take the following form:

$$f''' + (1 + \lambda_2) \left[ ff'' - f'^2 + \operatorname{Ha}(A - f') + A^2 \right] + \beta \left( f''^2 - ff^{(iv)} \right) + \left( \frac{1 + \lambda_2}{\operatorname{Re}_x^2} \right) \left[ \operatorname{Gr}(1 + \beta_i \theta) \theta + \operatorname{Gr}^*(1 + \beta_c \phi) \right] = 0$$
(7)

$$(1+\lambda_{2})\theta'' + \Pr(1+\lambda_{2})\left[f\theta' + Nb\theta'\phi' + Nt\theta^{\prime^{2}} + \delta\theta + \operatorname{EcHaf}^{\prime^{2}}\right] + Tr(1+\lambda_{2})\left[3(T_{c}+\theta)^{2}\theta^{\prime^{2}} + (T_{c}+\theta)^{3}\theta''\right] + \Pr\operatorname{Ec}\left[f'' + \beta f''(ff'' - ff''')\right]$$
(8)

$$\frac{1}{\mathrm{Sc}}\phi'' + f\phi' + \frac{1}{\mathrm{Sc}}\frac{Nt}{Nb}\theta'' + \gamma\phi\left(1 + \frac{\theta}{T_c}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta + T_c}\right) = 0$$
(9)

$$f(0) = 0, \quad f'(0) = 1, \quad Nb\phi'(0) + Nt\theta'(0) = 0, \quad \theta'(0) = -\beta_i [1 - \theta(0)]$$
  
$$f'(\infty) \to A, \quad \phi(\infty) \to 0, \quad \theta(\infty) \to 0$$
(10)

In the aforementioned expressions:

 $\beta_t$ 

Ha = 
$$\frac{\sigma B_0^2}{a\rho}$$
 represents Hartmann number  
 $\beta = a\lambda_1$  material variable  
 $A = \frac{b}{a}$  ratio parameter  
 $Tr = \frac{16\sigma^0 (\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}_w)^3}{3kk^0}$  radiation variable  
 $= \frac{\chi_2 (\tilde{T}_w - T_w)}{\chi_1}$  convection variable due to temperature  
 $\operatorname{Re}_x = \frac{ax^2}{v}$  local Reynolds number  
 $\chi \tilde{C}$ 

$$\beta_c = \frac{\chi_4 C_{\infty}}{\chi_3}$$
 convection variable due to concentration

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Gr}^* &= \frac{g\chi_3 \tilde{C}_{\infty} x^3}{v^2} \quad \operatorname{Grashof number due to concentration} \\ \operatorname{Gr} &= \frac{g\chi_1 (\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}_w) x^3}{v^2} \quad \operatorname{Grashof number due to temperature} \\ &\operatorname{Pr} &= \frac{\mu c_p}{k} \quad \operatorname{Prandtl number} \\ &\operatorname{Nt} &= \frac{\tau D_T (\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}_w)}{v \tilde{T}_w} \quad \text{the thermophoresis parameter} \\ &\operatorname{Ec} &= \frac{a^2 x^2}{c_p (\tilde{T}_w - T_w)} \quad \text{the Eckert number} \\ &\operatorname{Nb} &= \frac{\tau D_B \tilde{C}_w}{v} \quad \text{Brownian motion parameter} \\ &T_c &= \frac{\tilde{T}_w}{\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}_w} \quad \text{dimensionless temperature} \\ &\gamma &= \frac{k_r^2}{a} \quad \text{reaction rate} \\ &\operatorname{Sc} &= \frac{v}{D_B} \quad \text{Schmidt number} \\ &\delta &= \frac{Q_0}{a\rho c_p} \quad \text{heat source/sink variable} \\ &E &= \frac{E_a}{\kappa (\tilde{T}_w - \tilde{T}_w)} \quad \text{denotes the dimensionless activation energy} \\ &\beta_i &= \frac{h_f}{k} \sqrt{\frac{v}{a}} \quad \text{Biot number} \end{aligned}$$

# **Physical quantities**

Skin friction coefficient (surface drag force)

Mathematically, it is defined:

$$C_{fx} = \frac{-2\tau_w}{\rho u_w^2} \tag{11}$$

where  $\tau_w$  denotes the wall shear stress and defined:

$$\tau_{w} = \frac{\mu}{1 + \lambda_{2}} \left[ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \lambda_{1} \left( u \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial x \partial y} + v \frac{\partial^{2} u}{\partial y^{2}} \right) \right]_{y=0}$$
(12)

Putting eq. (13) in eq. (12):

$$C_{fx} \left( \operatorname{Re}_{x} \right)^{0.5} = -\frac{2}{1+\lambda_{2}} f''(0) + \beta \left[ f'(0)f''(0) - f(0)f'''(0) \right]$$
(13)

Heat transfer rate (Nusselt number)

We have:

$$\operatorname{Nu}_{x} = \frac{xq_{w}}{k\left(\tilde{T}_{w} - \tilde{T}_{\infty}\right)} \tag{14}$$

where  $q_w$  represents the wall heat flux and mathematically expressed

$$q_{w} = -\left[k\left(1 + \frac{16\sigma^{o}\tilde{T}^{3}}{3kk^{o}}\right)\frac{\partial\tilde{T}}{\partial y}\right]$$
(15)

Invoking eq. (16) in eq. (15), we have:

$$Nu_{x} \operatorname{Re}^{-0.5} = -\left[1 + T_{r} \left(\theta(0) + T_{c}\right)^{3}\right] \theta'(0)$$
(16)

Sherwood number (mass transfer rate)

It is defined:

$$\mathrm{Sh}_{x} = \frac{x J_{w}}{D_{B} \tilde{C}_{\infty}} \tag{17}$$

where  $J_w$  indicates the wall mass flux and mathematically:

$$J_{w} = -D_{B} \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{C}}{\partial y} \right]_{y=0}$$
(18)

From eqs. (19) and (18), we get:

$$\operatorname{Sh}_{x}\operatorname{Re}^{-0.5} = -\phi'(0)$$
 (19)

where  $\text{Re}_x = ax^2/v$  signifies the local Reynolds number,  $C_{fx}$  – the skin friction coefficient,  $\text{Nu}_x$  – the Nusselt number, and  $\text{Sh}_x$  – the Sherwood number.

## The homotopy analysis method solution

In order to obtained the series solutions of non-linear OPE by homotopy analysis method it is compulsory to define the linear operator and initial guesses. The linear operator and initial guesses for momentum, temperature and nanoparticles concentration are defined:

$$f_{0}(\eta) = 1 - A(1-\eta) - (1-A) \exp(-\eta)$$

$$\theta_{0}(\eta) = \frac{\beta_{i}}{1+\beta_{i}} \exp(-\eta)$$

$$\theta_{0}(\eta) = \frac{\beta_{i}}{1+\beta_{i}} \left(\frac{Nt}{Nb}\right) \exp(-\eta)$$

$$L_{f} = \frac{d^{3}}{d\eta^{3}} - \frac{d}{d\eta}$$

$$L_{\theta} = \frac{d^{2}}{d\eta^{2}} - 1$$

$$L_{\phi} = \frac{d^{2}}{d\eta^{2}} - 1$$

$$(21)$$

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with

$$L_{f} [c_{1} + c_{2} \exp(-\eta) + c_{3} \exp(\eta)] = 0$$

$$L_{\theta} [c_{4} \exp(-\eta) + c_{5} \exp(\eta)] = 0$$

$$L_{\phi} [c_{6} \exp(-\eta) + c_{6} \exp(\eta)] = 0$$
(22)

in which  $c_i(1)$ -(7) signifies the arbitrary constant.



Figure 2. The  $\hbar$ -curves for  $f(\eta)$ ,  $\theta(\eta)$ , and  $\phi(\eta)$ 

#### **Convergence analysis**

The auxiliary variables  $\hbar_f$ ,  $\hbar_\theta$ , and  $\hbar_\phi$ plays a noteworthy role in convergence series solutions. These variables control and adjust the convergent portion of series solutions. The  $\hbar$  is the curves for momentum, temperature, and nanoparticles volume concentration are plotted in fig. 2. It has been examined that the suitable estimations for  $f(\eta)$ ,  $\theta(\eta)$ , and  $\phi(\eta)$  are  $-1.82 \le \hbar_f \le 0.21$ ,  $-2.01 \le \hbar_\theta \le 0.21$ , and -2.1 $\le \hbar_\phi \le 0.15$ . Table 1 is constructed for the convergence of series solutions when Nb = 0.7,  $\delta = T_c = 0.5$ ,  $\lambda_2 = n = \beta = E = \gamma = A = 0.1$ , Nt = 0.2, Gr = Gr<sup>\*</sup> = 0.4, Ha =  $\beta_t = \beta_i = 0.2$ ,  $\beta_c = E = 0.3$ , Pr = Sc = 1.0, and Tr = 0.4.

 Table 1. Numerical results for momentum, temperature and nanoparticles volume concentration

Order of approximation	- <i>f</i> "(0)	$-\theta'(0)$	$-\phi'(0)$
1	1.061	0.0889	0.0254
10	0.0832	0.0832	0.0238
20	0.0786	0.0786	0.0224
30	0.0773	0.0777	0.0221
35	0.0773	0.0777	0.0221
45	0.0773	0.0777	0.0221

#### Discussion

In this section we examined the effects of flow variables on velocity, concentration, temperature, skin friction coefficient, Sherwood and Nusselts numbers. Figures 3-7 examined the behavior of A,  $\beta$ , Gr, Gr<sup>\*</sup>, and Ha on velocity,  $f'(\eta)$ . Impact of A on  $f'(\eta)$ , is presented in fig. 3. It is noted that,  $f'(\eta)$ , enhances for larger A. Figure 4 depict the influence of  $\beta$  on  $f'(\eta)$ . For larger estimation of  $\beta$  velocity show decreasing behavior. Physically  $\beta$  is the relation of relaxation observation times. By increase in  $\beta$  relaxation time is higher and generates more resistance to flow due to which,  $f'(\eta)$ , reduces. Figure 5 captured the effect of Gr on  $f'(\eta)$ . Clearly,  $f'(\eta)$ , is increasing function of  $\beta$ . The outcome of  $f'(\eta)$ , with variation of Gr<sup>\*</sup> is described in fig. 6. The  $f'(\eta)$  decreased through Gr<sup>\*</sup>. Figure 7 is sketched for  $f'(\eta)$  with variation in Ha. This figure show that,  $f'(\eta)$ , is decays for higher estimation of Ha. Physically Ha is an increasing function of resistive force (Lorentz force) therefore,  $f'(\eta)$  diminished. Figures 8-13 described the influences of



Ha,  $\beta$ , Tr, Pr, Ec, and  $\beta_i$  on  $\theta(\eta)$ . Impact of Ha on  $\theta(\eta)$  is plotted in fig. 8. It is noticed that  $\theta(\eta)$ boosts via Ha. Figure 9 demonstrated the behavior of  $\beta$  on  $\theta(\eta)$ . The  $\theta(\eta)$  enhances with larger variation in  $\beta$ . Figure 10 show the effect of Tr on  $\theta(\eta)$ . For higher values of Tr temperature is enhanced. Variation of  $\theta(\eta)$  through Pr is portrayed in fig. 11. The  $\theta(\eta)$  is decreasing function of Pr. Figure 12 is focused to describe the impact of Ec on  $\theta(\eta)$ . Clearly  $\theta(\eta)$  boosts for larger estimation of Ec. Figure 13 captured the influence of  $\beta_i$  on  $\theta(\eta)$ . This figure show that  $\theta(\eta)$  enhanced for larger values of  $\beta_i$ . Figures 14-18 disclosed the characteristics of  $\gamma$ , Sc, Nt, Nb, and E on  $\phi(\eta)$ . Impact of  $\gamma$  on  $\phi(\eta)$  is portrayed in fig. 14. It is noticed that  $\phi(\eta)$  is dominant for higher values of. Figure 15 sketched for  $\phi(\eta)$  through variation in Sc. The  $\phi(\eta)$  boosts with Sc. Figure 16 captured the impact of Nt on  $\phi(\eta)$ . Clearly  $\phi(\eta)$  is a decreasing function of Nt. Variation of  $\phi(\eta)$  through Nb is presented in fig. 17. The  $\phi(\eta)$  is dominant for larger values of Nb. Figure 18 depict the characteristic of E on  $\phi(\eta)$ . The  $\phi(\eta)$  boosts via E. The effects of  $\beta$ , Ha, Gr, and Gr<sup>\*</sup> on  $C_{fx}$  are presented in figs. 19 and 20. In these figures we noted that  $C_{fx}$  is boosts via  $\beta$ , Ha, and Gr<sup>\*</sup> while reduces through Gr. Influences of Ha,  $\beta$ , Pr, and Ec on Nu<sub>x</sub> are reported in figs. 21 and 22. Clearly Nu<sub>x</sub> is a decreasing function of Ha and  $\beta$  however enhanced with Pr and Ec. Characteristics of Nt, Nb, Ec, and  $T_c$  on  $Sh_x$  are disclosed in figs. 23 and 24. It is noticed that  $Sh_x$  is boosts via Nb and Tc while decays for larger values of Nt and Sc.







### Conclusions

Here we investigated the effects of activation energy, Joule heating, viscous dissipation, and magnetic field on mixed convective radiative flow of Jeffrey nanofluid over a sheet. Main outcomes are listed as follows. Ahmad, S., et al.: Impact of Arrhenius Activation Energy in Viscoelastic ... THERMAL SCIENCE: Year 2020, Vol. 24, No. 2B, pp. 1143-1155

- The  $f'(\eta)$  is enhanced through A and Gr while decays with  $\beta$ , Ha, and Gr<sup>\*</sup>.
- The  $\theta(\eta)$  boosts via  $\beta$ , Ha, Tr, Ec, and  $\beta_i$  while reduces with Pr.
- The  $\phi(\eta)$  is dominant for larger  $\gamma$ , Sc, Nb, and E however decreased through Nt.
- The  $C_{fx}$  and Nu<sub>x</sub> show opposite behavior against Ha and  $\beta$ .
- The Sh<sub>r</sub> increased for larger Nb and  $T_c$  while decreased with Nt and Sc.

### Nomenclature

- strength of magnetic field  $B_0$
- Ĉ - concentracion
- $\tilde{C}_{\infty}$ - ambient concentracion
- specific heat  $\mathcal{C}_n$
- $D_{B}$  Brownian diffusion coefficient
- $D_{T}$  thermophoresis diffusion coefficient
- $E_a$ - activation energy
- coefficient of heat transport  $h_f$
- k - thermal conductivity
- mean absorption  $k^0$
- k<sub>r</sub> - reaction rate
- reaction rate  $q_r$
- $Q_0$  coefficient of heat source/sink
- fitted rate constant п
- $\tilde{T}$ - temperature
- $\tilde{T}_{\infty}$  ambient temperaturue

- $u_e$  free stream velocity
- $u_w$  stretching velocity  $\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}$  velocity components
- x, y space co-ordinates

#### Greek symbols

- Boltzmann constant κ
- dynamic viscosity μ
- kinematic viscosity v
- electric conductivity σ
- Stefan-Boltzmann coefficient  $\sigma^{_0}$
- coefficient of linear thermal expansion  $\chi_1$
- coefficient of non-linear thermal expansion  $\chi_2$
- coefficient of linear concentration expansion χ3
- coefficient of non-linear concentration  $\chi_4$ expansion

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