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# Computational analysis of Darcy-Forchheimer relation, reduced gravity, and external applied magnetic field influence on radiative fluid flow and heat transfer past a sphere: Finite difference method

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## ABSTRACT

The study of radiation, Darcy-Forchheimer relation, and reduced gravity, effects on magneto-hydrodynamic flow across a solid sphere immersed in porous material, is the focus of the current work. Coupled and nonlinear partial differential governing equations, are established to model the studied configuration. By using appropriate scaling variables, the resultant set of governing equations is converted to its dimensionless form. Based on these established equations, a numerical algorithm is written based on the finite element approach to solve the considered problem. A verification of the validity of the proposed model is done by comparing with already published results. Furthermore, to check the precision of solutions, a grid independence test has been accomplished. The unknown variables, such as fluid velocity and temperature, and their gradients are evaluated. This investigation's main objective is to demonstrate how the Darcy-Forchheimer law and reduced gravity due to density difference affect the natural convective heat transfer across a solid sphere immersed in a porous medium. Results show that the flow intensity decreases with the magnetic field parameter, local inertial coefficient, Prandtl number, and porosity parameter and becomes more important by increasing the reduced gravity and radiation parameters. In addition, the temperature increases with the inertial coefficient, porosity parameter, Prandtl number, radiation parameter, and magnetic field parameter and get declined with the reduced gravity parameter.

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### 1. Introduction

The fluid flow and heat transfer processes in porous media become the focus of the research community and engineers due to their manifestation in diverse engineering applications. Such as in packed beds, fossil fuel beds, nuclear, resin transfer models, geothermal energy, and waste disposal. According to Darcy’s law, average velocity and pressure gradients are directly dependent on each other. In literature, these problems grabbed lot of attention. Darcy’s law is valid only if porosity and velocity levels are low. Darcy and Elizabeth’s relationship is meaningless because of the uneven porosity and higher velocities as demonstrated by diverse industrial and technological systems. Thus, to get better accuracy, it is highly recommended that the model of the flow in porous media be non-Darcian. Forchheimer’s law combines both inertial effects and high-speed flow. Because it combines Darcy’s component’s non-degeneracy and the monotonicity of nonlinear term, Forchheimer’s law is exceptional. Forchheimer’s [1] computation of Darcy’s velocity includes the square velocity factor in order to analyze the characteristics of inertia and boundary. “Forchheimer” term, is always used to describe problems with high Reynolds number values [2]. Upreti et al. [3] applied the 3D Darcy-Forchheimer law on CNT-nanofluid flow past stretchable surface while considering the Ohmic heating and heat generation/absorption effects. Generalized transfer laws coupled with Williamsons equations were utilized by Ramzan et al. [4] to study nanofluid MHD flow past a sheet immersed in a porous medium. Hayat et al. [5] used the Darcy-Forchheimer law to investigate the double diffusive convection during a non-Newtonian fluid. Based on the Darcy-Forchheimer theory, Upreti et al. [6] studied the radiative Sisko nanofluid flow along a stretching sheet immersed in a porous medium. Sadiq et al. [7] did research on chemically reacting, radiative convective process past a stretching sheet with the consideration of the Darcy-Forchheimer law. Khan et al. [8] performed a study on Lorentz force influence Darcy-Forchheimer flow of Carreau-Yasuda nanofluid. Nagaraja et al. [9] performed an investigation on the chemically reacting, radiative Jeffery nanofluid flow due to stretching sheet with convective conditions. Researchers in Refs. [10–12] adopted the Darcy–Forchheimer law to study the flows of different fluids through various geometries.

Industry must use light mechanical equipment in order to attain the high levels of accuracy, speed, and acceleration made available by cutting-edge technology. A sphere is an illustration of an inventive, lightweight engineering device that lowers the quantity of heavy moving parts in a machine and examines the momentum and thermal boundary layer. Metal and alloy devices with sphere shapes are employed as components in mechanical systems in various industrial processes. Riley [13] discussed natural convection past a sphere. In order to study the oscillatory heat transfer mechanisms past a sphere, Ashraf et al. [14] considered several kinds of fluids. In the work on Ashraf and Fatima [15] a time dependent heat transfer process with dissipation impact was carried out. In the paper of Ashraf et al. [16] the natural convection of a nanofluid in the plume region around a sphere was discussed. Some other studies [17–21] considered the convective heat transfer around spheres for various kinds of fluids. Ahmad et al. [22] employed the FEM in order to solve the equations governing the convection over a curved plate with the consideration of the chemical reaction effect.

Thermal radiation is the kind of heat transfer caused by the propagation of electromagnetic waves. In this heat transfer mode, no medium is required like in conduction and convection. Cortell [23] investigated the combined radiation and convection over a horizontal moving surface. There have been some studies [24–27] on the Sakiadis and Balsius flow under magnetic and thermal radiation effects for various kinds of fluid.

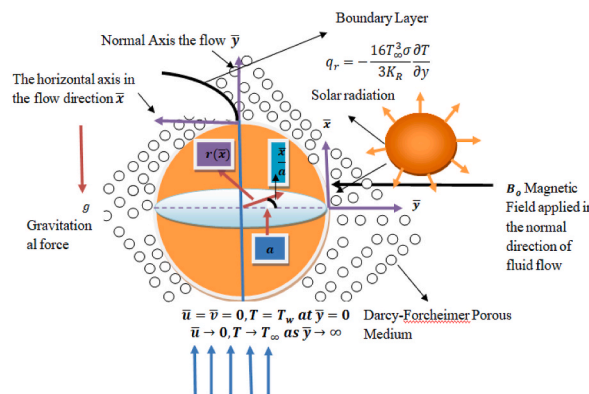


Fig. 1. Studied configuration

$$\frac{\partial(\bar{r}u)}{\partial \bar{x}} + \frac{\partial(\bar{r}v)}{\partial \bar{y}} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\bar{u} \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial \bar{x}} + \bar{v} \frac{\partial \bar{u}}{\partial \bar{y}} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 \bar{u}}{\partial \bar{y}^2} + g \frac{\rho - \rho_\infty}{\rho_\infty} \sin \bar{\alpha} - \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho} u - \frac{\nu}{K_o} \bar{u} - F_1 u^2 \tag{2}$$

$$\bar{u} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \bar{x}} + \bar{v} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \bar{y}} = \alpha_m \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \bar{y}^2} - \frac{1}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial q_r}{\partial \bar{y}} \tag{3}$$

Magnetic field effects on heat transfer have several applications in engineering, physics, and chemistry, such as the MHD pumps, process of boundary layer and bearings in electrically conducting fluid, power generation and geophysics. Tamoor et al. [28] studied the MHD Casson flow on the surface of a stretchable cylinder. The combined influence of magnetic force and chemical reacting on the fluid flow through a surface stretching in exponential manner have been performed by Pattnaik et al. [29]. Mabood et al. [30], performed a computational evaluation of the radiative magnetohydrodynamic flow over exponentially stretched plate employing the homotopy analysis technique. Salahuddin et al. [31] studied the MHD Williamson fluid flow past a stretchable geometry having variable thickness. Kumar et al. [32] investigated the effects of generation/absorption of heat, and Lorentz force on convective flow. In Refs. [33,34], investigations on magnetohydrodynamic flow past various shapes can be found. Kuiken and Merkin [35] conducted a study on transfer of heat due to heated bars with reduced gravity. Due to its significance in the fields of nature and science, natural convection piqued the concentration of the research community. It is particularly observed in plumes that rise from hot air generated by fire, ocean currents, etc. It is quite interesting to study the physics of lower gravity. Sparrow and Gregg [36] studied the convective flow past flat plate for small values of Prandtl number. Studies on the phenomena of free convection over different geometries are discussed in Refs. [37–42].

Based on the above presented literature review it is noticed that radiation, Darcy-Forchheimer relation, magnetohydrodynamics, and reduced gravity, effects on along a sphere contained in a porous material has not been considered before the current attempt. The entire solution process of the constructed model is provided in the next part, and the results for the relevant properties are shown in terms of graphs and tables along with a thorough explanation and justification.

## 2. Flow configuration and governing equations

The considered configuration (Fig. 1) consists of an incompressible, viscous, steady, and two-dimensional external flow of fluid past a sphere immersed in a porous medium. Here,  $x$ -axis designates flow direction and  $y$ -axis is normal to it. Velocity components are  $(u, v)$  are in  $x$  and  $y$  direction, respectively. The Darcy-Forchheimer relation along with solar radiation effects are considered. A Magnetic field perpendicular to fluid flow is applied with a strength  $B_o$ .  $T_w$  is the surface temperature and  $T_\infty$  is the ambient temperature with  $T_w > T_\infty$ . The fluid is considered to be optically dense gray. By following [1,2,13,23,&35]], the flow model is presented as follow:

Here,  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{v}$  denote velocity components in  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$  axes, and  $\bar{r} = a \sin \frac{\bar{x}}{a}$  is radial distance that stems from symmetric axis to surface. The designations  $\rho$  is density of fluid,  $a$  is sphere radius,  $\nu$  is kinematic viscosity,  $K_o$  is porous medium permeability,  $B_o$  is strength of magnetic field,  $\alpha_m$  is thermal diffusivity, and  $\sigma$  is electrical conductivity. Here,  $F_1 = \frac{C_b}{\sqrt{K_1}}$  is coefficient of inertia with  $C_b$  is the drag coefficient.

By following [23], the radiative heat flux  $q_r$  is:

$$q_r = -\frac{4\sigma_s}{3k^*} \frac{\partial T^4}{\partial y} \tag{4}$$

Here,  $\sigma_s$   $k^*$  are constant of Stefan-Boltzmann and mean absorption coefficient. With:

$$T^4 \approx 4T_\infty^3 T - 3T_\infty^4$$

By following [23], equation (4) becomes:

$$q_r = -\frac{16T_\infty^3 \sigma_s}{3K_R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \tag{5}$$

Now equation (3) obtains the form that is given in [23].

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{k_\infty}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{16T_\infty^3 \sigma_s}{\rho C_p 3K_R} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \tag{6}$$

Equation (6) implies the following that is given in [23].

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \frac{k}{\rho C_p} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + \frac{4.4 T_\infty^3 \sigma_s}{\rho C_p 3kK_R} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right] \tag{7}$$

By following [35], temperature  $T_m$  and density  $\rho_m$  relation is given in Eq. (8)

$$\frac{\rho - \rho_m}{\rho_m} = -\gamma(T - T_m)^2 \tag{8}$$

By following [35], Eq. (6) implies for steady flow:

$$T \rightarrow T_m \pm \Delta T y \rightarrow \pm \infty \tag{9}$$

By following [35], boundary conditions are.

$$\bar{u} = 0, \bar{v} = 0, T = T_m \text{ at } y = 0, \bar{u} \rightarrow 0, T \rightarrow T_\infty \text{ as } y \rightarrow \infty \tag{10}$$

By following [35],  $T_\infty$  and  $\rho_\infty$  relation is given in Eq. (8), so reduced gravity is expressed as:

$$g' = g \frac{(\rho_m - \rho_\infty)}{\rho_\infty} \tag{11}$$

By following [35], fluid particles acceleration which has density  $\rho_m$ . From Eq. (8)

$$g' = g \gamma \frac{\rho_m}{\rho_\infty} (T_\infty - T_m)^2 \tag{12}$$

### 3. Resolution procedure

In the following sub-sections, the procedure of establishing the dimensionless equations, then transformation for smooth algorithm and at the end the employed solution scheme is discussed in detail.

#### 3.1. Dimensionless formulation

To determine the solutions of Eqs. (1)–(3) along with Eq. (10), a dimensional analysis process is adopted to establish the dimensionless set of equations. The dimensionless variables are given in Eq. (13) used by Ref. [19]:

$$x = \frac{\bar{x}}{a}, y = \frac{\bar{y} Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{a}, \theta = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_m - T_\infty}, u = \frac{a \bar{u} Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\nu}, v = \frac{a \bar{v} Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\nu}, \tag{13}$$

Following [1,2,13,19,23,35] Eqs. (1)–(3) with (10) takes the following form when Eq. (13) is used,

$$\frac{\partial(\sin xu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\sin xv)}{\partial y} = 0, \tag{14}$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + R_g (2\theta - \theta^2) \sin x - Du - Hu - F u^2, \tag{15}$$

$$u \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{Pr} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} N_r \right) \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2}, \tag{16}$$

$$u = 0, v = 0, \theta = 1, \text{ at } y = 0, u \rightarrow 0, \theta \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } y \rightarrow \infty. \tag{17}$$

Here,  $F = \frac{C_p Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\sqrt{k_1}}$  is local inertial coefficient,  $H = \frac{\sigma B_0^2 a^2 Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\rho \nu}$  is magnetic field parameter,  $R_g = \frac{g'}{g \beta \Delta T}$  is reduced gravity parameter with  $g'$  is reduced gravity acceleration,  $D = \frac{a^2 Gr^{\frac{1}{4}}}{K_0}$  is porosity parameter,  $Pr = \frac{\mu}{\alpha}$  is Prandtl number, and  $N_r = k K_R / 4 \sigma^* T_\infty^3$  is radiation parameter.

#### 3.2. Formulation of primitive variables

For the smoothness of numerical algorithm of the modeled problem in FORTRAN, Eqs. 14–16 along with modeled Eq. (17), following [19] the transformation variables given in Eq. (18) are employed.

$$u(x, y) = x^{1/2} U(X, Y), v(x, y) = x^{-1/4} V(X, Y), Y = x^{-1/4} y, X = x, \theta(x, y) = \theta(X, Y) \tag{18}$$

Following [1,2,13,19,23,35] Eqs. 14–16 along with modeled Eq. (17), takes the following after using Eq. (18)

$$XU \cos X + \left( X \frac{\partial U}{\partial X} - \frac{Y}{2} \frac{\partial U}{\partial Y} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial Y} \right) \sin X = 0, \tag{19}$$

$$XU \frac{\partial U}{\partial X} + \frac{1}{2} U^2 + \left( V - \frac{YU}{2} \right) \frac{\partial U}{\partial Y} = \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial Y^2} + R_g (2\theta - \theta^2) \sin X - HU - DU - FU^2, \tag{20}$$

$$XU \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial X} + \left( V - \frac{YU}{2} \right) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y} = \frac{1}{Pr} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} N_r \right) \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial Y^2}, \tag{21}$$

The boundary conditions are:

$$U = 0, V = 0, \theta = 1, \text{ at } Y = 0, U \rightarrow 0, \theta \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } Y \rightarrow \infty. \tag{22}$$

### 3.3. Solution scheme

Equations 19–21 with (22) are discretized utilizing the FEM. In X-axis direction first order backward difference is applied, and in Y-axis first and second order central difference is applied. Here,  $(U_{ij}, V_{ij}, \theta_{ij})$  are unknown discretized variables. By using the above-mentioned method to Equations 19–21 with (22) by adopting the solution process given in [19]

Discretized continuity equation

$$V_{(i+1,j)} = V_{(i-1,j)} - 2 \frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X} X_i (U_{(i,j)} - U_{(i,j-1)}) + \frac{Y_j}{2} (U_{(i+1,j)} - U_{(i-1,j)}) - 2 \Delta Y X_i \frac{\cos X_i}{\sin X_i} U_{(i,j)} \tag{23}$$

Discretized Momentum Equation

$$\left( 1 + \frac{\Delta Y}{2} \left( V_{(i,j)} - \frac{Y_j}{2} U_{(i,j)} \right) \right) U_{(i-1,j)} + \left( -2 - \frac{\Delta Y^2}{\Delta X} X_i U_{(i,j)} - H - D - F U_{(i,j)} \right) U_{(i,j)} + \left( 1 - \frac{\Delta Y}{2} \left( V_{(i,j)} - \frac{Y_j}{2} U_{(i,j)} \right) \right) U_{(i+1,j)} = -\Delta Y^2 \sin X_i R_g (2\theta_{(i,j)} - \theta_{(i,j)}^2), \tag{24}$$

Discretized Energy Equation

$$\left( \frac{1}{Pr} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} N_r \right) + \frac{\Delta Y}{2} \left( V_{(i,j)} - \frac{Y_j}{2} U_{(i,j)} \right) \right) \theta_{(i-1,j)} + \left( -\frac{2}{Pr} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} N_r \right) + \Delta Y^2 U_{(i,j)} \left( 1 - \frac{X_i}{\Delta X} \right) \right) \theta_{(i,j)} + \left( \frac{1}{Pr} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} N_r \right) - \frac{\Delta Y}{2} \left( V_{(i,j)} - \frac{Y_j}{2} U_{(i,j)} \right) \right) \theta_{(i+1,j)} = -\frac{\Delta Y^2}{\Delta X} X_i U_{(i,j)} \theta_{(i,j-1)}, \tag{25}$$

By following [19] the discretized boundary conditions become:

$$U_{ij} = 0, V_{ij} = 0, \theta_{ij} = 1, \text{ at } Y_j = 0,$$

$$U_{ij} \rightarrow 0, \theta_{ij} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } Y_j \rightarrow \infty. \tag{26}$$

For accuracy of solution, the convergence criterion for  $U, V$  and  $\theta$  variables, is given below:

$$\max |U_{ij}| + \max |V_{ij}| + \max |\theta_{ij}| \leq \epsilon$$

Where,  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ . Here, in this simulation step size has taken as  $\Delta X = 0.05$  and  $\Delta Y = 0.02$ . A computation is started from  $X = 0$  to infinity. The results are elaborated in the next sections.

**Table 1**  
Mesh analysis or mesh independence test for  $H = 1.0, N_r = 1.0, R_g = 10.0, Pr = 7.0, D = 0.1, F = 0.1$  at  $X = \pi/4$ .

| Grid points | $\left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial Y} \right)_{Y=0}$ | $-\left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y} \right)_{Y=0}$ |
|-------------|--|--|
| 25          | 3.22837  | 0.97809  |
| 50          | 3.33500  | 0.92792  |
| 100         | 3.34338  | 0.92006  |
| 125         | 3.34357  | 0.91955  |
| 200         | 3.34358  | 0.91920  |
| 250         | 3.34359  | 0.91916  |
| 300         | 3.34361  | 0.91915  |
| 350         | 3.34361  | 0.91915  |
| 400         | 3.34361  | 0.91915  |

#### 4. Model verification and grid sensitivity test

In Table 1, the test of grid independence test is presented by considering various grid points for  $Y = 10.0$ . The solution is more accurate for finer grids. Additionally, the findings deviation for heat transfer rate and skin friction at position  $X = \pi/4$  has been calculated from grid points 200 to 400. From the computed results for skin friction, it is noted that the results deviation percentage is 0.0008% and for heat transfer rate is 0.005%. The usage of 200 grid points is adequate for the convergence and correctness of the results calculated using the finite difference method, it may be inferred from the deviation of the computed results. Utilizing 200 grid points, the whole set of solutions for the current model is established. For this grid independent test, the magnetic field parameter is  $H = 1.0$ , radiation parameter  $Rd = 1.0$ , reduced gravity parameter  $R_g = 10.0$ , local inertial coefficient  $F = 0.1$ , porosity parameter  $D = 0.1$ , and Prandtl number  $Pr = 7.0$  at  $X = \pi/4$ .

#### 5. Results and discussion

Numerical outcomes of hypothesized phenomena are thoroughly elaborated in the current section. The velocity, temperature,  $\partial U/\partial Y$  and  $\partial \theta/\partial Y$  for various parametric values of reduced gravity number  $R_g$ , radiation parameter  $N_r$ , and magnetic field parameter  $H$ , porosity parameter  $D$ , local inertial coefficient  $F$ , and Prandtl number  $Pr$ , are calculated and shown as tables and graphs. Figs. 2–3 illustrate the impact of the local inertial coefficient on the velocity field and temperature distribution at distinct locations outside the sphere surface. Graphical results indicate that the intensification of  $F$  causes the reduction of the velocity and the augmentation of the temperature for all the considered positions. The impact of the reduced gravity number  $R_g$  on the velocity profile  $U$  for  $Pr = 7.0$  is shown in Fig. 4 at various points on the sphere. The Graph shows that as  $R_g$  increases, the velocity values become more important. Fig. 5 depicts the temperatures profiles for various  $R_g$  values. The temperature curves at various circumferential points, show that as  $R_g$  is amplified, the fluid temperature quickly decreases. The highest temperature value occurs at  $X = \pi$ . The effects the porosity parameter  $D$  on the velocity field are highlighted in Fig. 6. It is noticed that the velocity rises with  $D$  is at all the points. The effect of  $D$  on the temperature field is depicted in Fig. 7. As  $D$  increases, the fluid temperature becomes higher. The numerical findings of  $U$  versus different values of  $Pr$  are depicted in Fig. 8. At all the considered positions the velocity drops as  $Pr$  value is raised, and the maximum velocity is reached at  $X = \pi/2$ . Fig. 9 illustrates how Prandtl number affects the fluid’s temperature. It is noticed that the temperature values are inversely proportional to Prandtl number. This is due to the lower values of the conductivity when  $Pr$  increases, which causes a reduction of the exchanged heat and consequently lower temperatures. The fluid velocity and temperature profiles, for a range of values of radiation number  $N_r$  at different locations, are shown in Figs. 10 and 11. Both the velocity and temperature increase when  $N_r$  values increase. Figs. 12 and 13 illustrate the effect of the magnetic field magnitude on the velocity and temperature fields, respectively. It is noticed that the velocity is diminishing, and the temperature is augmenting with the amplification in  $H$ . Due to the generation of the Lorentz force that opposes the convection, a retardation in the flow intensity occurs and causes the reduction the velocity magnitude.

Table 2 presents a comparison of the current solution of the skin friction with previously published solutions [36] for fixed reduced gravity terms. The tabular solutions demonstrate that there is excellent agreement between the two, which supports the validation of the simulation of the existing model. Table 3 is showing the solutions of  $\partial U/\partial Y$  and  $\partial \theta/\partial Y$  versus the porosity parameter  $D$ . An increasing of the value of  $D$  causes to weak the of skin friction and heat transfer rate at all the circumferential points of the sphere. Table 4 is showing  $\partial U/\partial Y$  and  $\partial \theta/\partial Y$  at distinct locations. It is noticed that both quantities decrease gradually with the augmentation of magnetic field parameter  $H$ . This is due to the produced Lorentz force that reduces the thermal buoyancy.

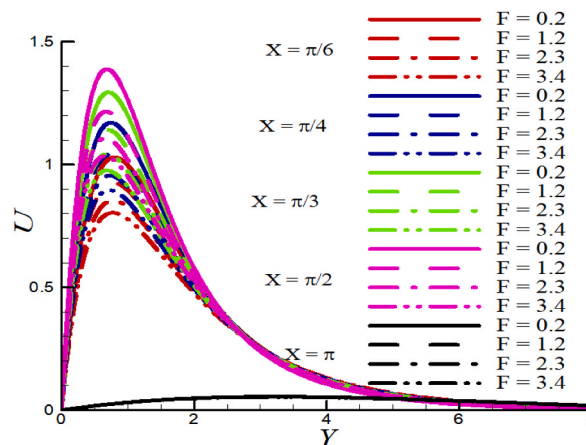


Fig. 2. Impact of  $F$  on  $U$  when  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $D = 0.1$ .

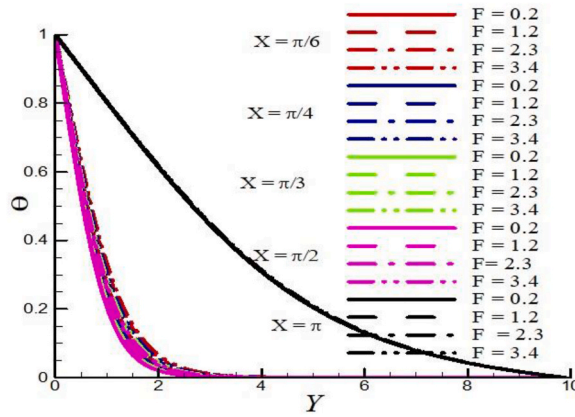


Fig. 3. Impact of  $F$  on  $\theta$  when  $R_g = 10.0$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $D = 0.1$ .

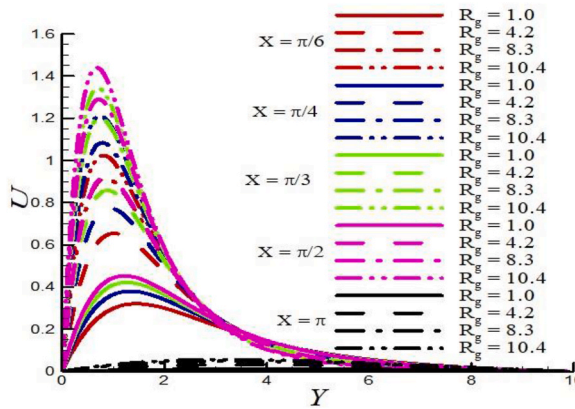


Fig. 4. Impact of  $R_g$  on  $U$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $D = 0.1$ .

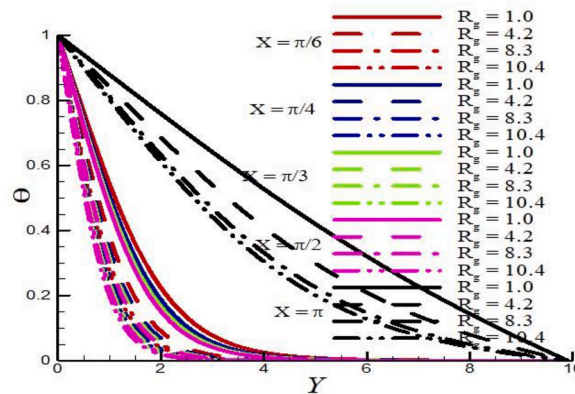


Fig. 5. Impact of  $R_g$  on  $\theta$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $D = 0.1$ .

### 6. Concluding remarks

The impact of radiation, Darcy-Forchheimer relation, reduced gravity, and magnetohydrodynamics on natural convection past a stationary sphere submerged in a fluid is discussed in the current paper. The main findings are summarized as follow:

- The solutions reflect that the velocity is proportional to the reduced gravity parameter, and radiation parameter but inversely proportional to the magnetic field parameter, local inertial coefficient, Prandtl number, and porosity parameter.

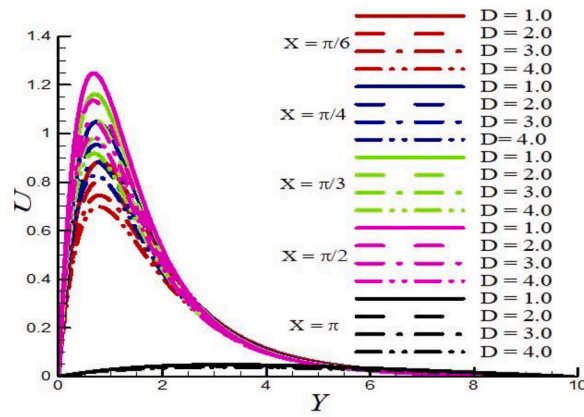


Fig. 6. Impact of  $D$  on  $U$  when  $Fr = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

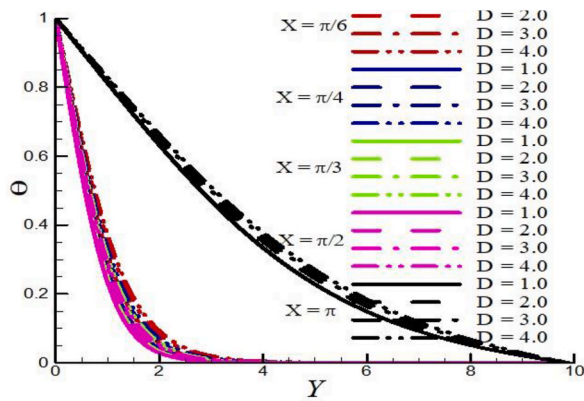


Fig. 7. Impact of  $D$  on  $\theta$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

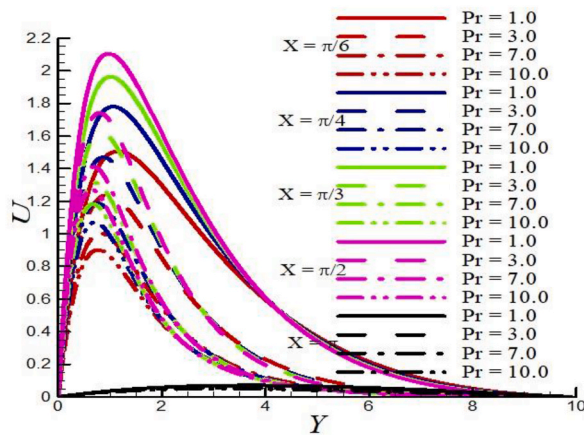


Fig. 8. Impact of  $Pr$  on  $U$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $D = 0.1$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ ,  $H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .



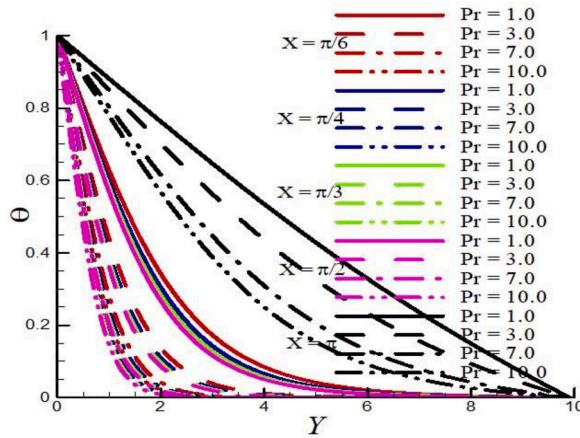


Fig. 9. Impact of  $Pr$  on  $\theta$  when  $F = 0.1, D = 0.1, N_r = 1.0, H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

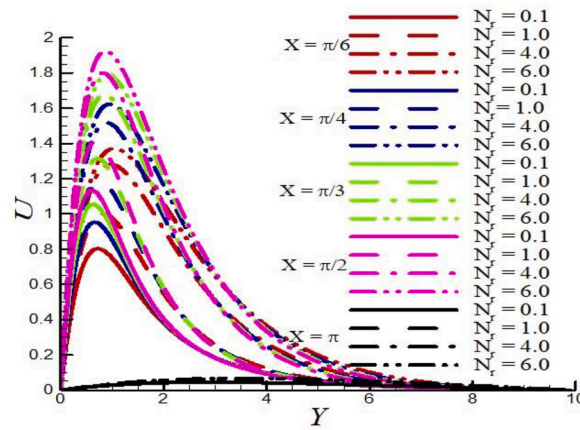


Fig. 10. Impact of  $N_r$  on  $U$  when  $F = 0.1, D = 0.1, Pr = 7.0, H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

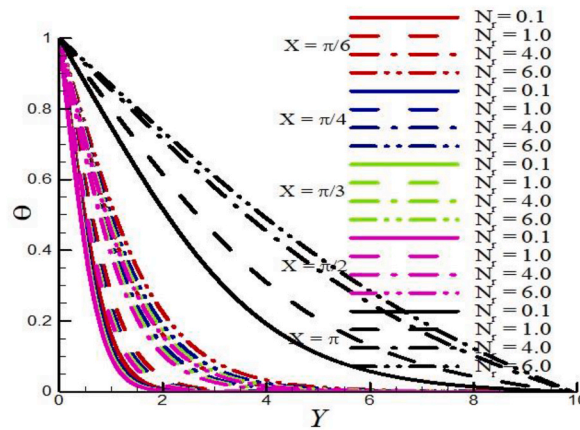


Fig. 11. Impact of  $N_r$  on  $\theta$  when  $F = 0.1, D = 0.1, Pr = 7.0, H = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

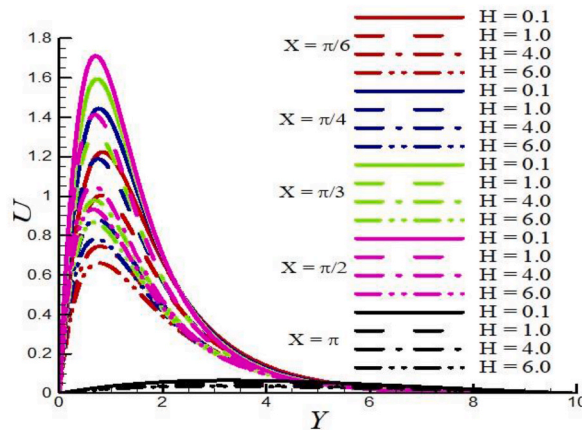


Fig. 12. Impact of  $H$  on  $U$  when  $F = 0.1, D = 0.1, Pr = 7.0, Nr = 1.0,$  and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

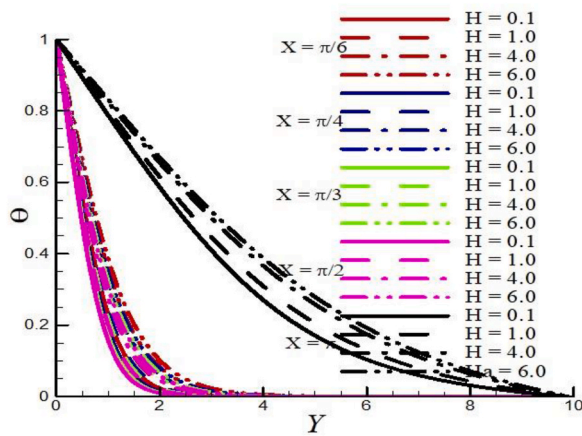


Fig. 13. Impact of  $H$  on  $\theta$  when  $F = 0.1, D = 0.1, Pr = 7.0, Nr = 1.0,$  and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

Table 2

Validation of present study with previously published results for  $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$  in absence of reduced gravity and for  $H = 0.0, Nr = 0.0, D = 0.0, F = 0.0$  at  $\pi/2$ .

| $Pr$  | Sparrow & Gregg [36] | Present results |
|-------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 0.03  | 0.93841              | 0.93740         |
| 0.02  | 0.95896              | 0.95870         |
| 0.008 | 0.99550              | 0.99400         |

- The temperature increases with the inertial coefficient, parameter porosity, Prandtl number, radiation parameter, and magnetic field parameter and declines with the reduced gravity parameter.
- There is a reduction in the skin friction and heat transfer when the porosity parameter and magnetic field parameters are augmented.
- The solutions of the current model are in good concordance with previously published findings.
- A grid independence test is performed to demonstrate the reliability of the solutions.

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**Table 3**

Impact of the permeability parameter  $D$  on a)  $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$  b)  $-\left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ , and  $H = 1.0$ ,  $R_g = 10.0$ .

| $X$     | $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$       |           |           |           |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|         | $D = 1.0$  | $D = 2.0$ | $D = 3.0$ | $D = 4.0$ |
| $\pi/6$ | 2.72824  | 2.57326   | 2.45555   | 2.36128   |
| $\pi/4$ | 3.52303  | 3.32373   | 3.17211   | 3.05057   |
| $\pi/3$ | 4.11516  | 3.88301   | 3.70622   | 3.56441   |
| $\pi/2$ | 4.58198  | 4.32404   | 4.12745   | 3.96968   |
| $\pi$   | 0.03630  | 0.03425   | 0.03269   | 0.03144   |
| $X$     | $-\left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$ |           |           |           |
|         | $D = 1.0$  | $D = 2.0$ | $D = 3.0$ | $D = 4.0$ |
| $\pi/6$ | 0.78858  | 0.75302   | 0.72528   | 0.70260   |
| $\pi/4$ | 0.85840  | 0.81985   | 0.78974   | 0.76510   |
| $\pi/3$ | 0.90378  | 0.86331   | 0.83167   | 0.80576   |
| $\pi/2$ | 0.93655  | 0.89470   | 0.86196   | 0.83515   |
| $\pi$   | 0.18777  | 0.18102   | 0.17585   | 0.17170   |

**Table 4**

Impact of the magnetic field parameter  $H$  on a)  $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$  b)  $-\left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$  when  $F = 0.1$ ,  $D = 0.1$ ,  $Pr = 7.0$ ,  $N_r = 1.0$ , and  $R_g = 10.0$ .

| $X$     | $\left(\frac{\partial U}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$       |           |           |           |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|         | $H = 0.1$  | $H = 1.0$ | $H = 4.0$ | $H = 6.0$ |
| $\pi/6$ | 3.34350  | 2.95154   | 2.45555   | 2.28306   |
| $\pi/4$ | 4.30772  | 3.80934   | 3.17211   | 2.94967   |
| $\pi/3$ | 5.00890  | 4.43448   | 3.69494   | 3.43613   |
| $\pi/2$ | 5.58757  | 4.95119   | 4.12745   | 3.83859   |
| $\pi$   | 0.04412  | 0.03921   | 0.03269   | 0.03041   |
| $X$     | $-\left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial Y}\right)_{Y=0}$ |           |           |           |
|         | $H = 0.1$  | $H = 1.0$ | $H = 4.0$ | $H = 6.0$ |
| $\pi/6$ | 0.91920  | 0.83795   | 0.72528   | 0.68347   |
| $\pi/4$ | 0.99900  | 0.91177   | 0.78974   | 0.74430   |
| $\pi/3$ | 1.04965  | 0.95875   | 0.83082   | 0.78310   |
| $\pi/2$ | 1.08792  | 0.99431   | 0.86196   | 0.81250   |
| $\pi$   | 0.21269  | 0.19725   | 0.17585   | 0.16825   |

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