



# Energy and mass transport of Casson nanofluid flow over a slanted permeable inclined surface

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## Abstract

In this problem, examination of Casson nanofluid flow over nonlinear slanted extending sheet with chemical reaction and heat generation/absorption influences are under thought. Nanofluid exhibits in this examination is established on Buongiorno model. The governing nonlinear PDE's are reduced to nonlinear ODE's by employing suitable transformations. The Keller-box numerical technique is considered for simulation of this research. The influence of chemical reaction and nonlinear parameter on concentration and velocity distribution is analyzed. The recovered results exhibit that the impact of inclination and Casson factor reduced liquid velocity. While energy and mass transport rates are increased against inclination factor. Numerical and graphical outcomes are additionally exhibited in tables and graphs.

**Keywords** Casson nanofluid · Chemical reaction · MHD · Nonlinear · Inclined surface

## List of symbols

$C$	Fluid concentration ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	$\theta$	Dimensionless temperature
$C_f$	Skin friction coefficient	$\rho$	Fluid density ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )
$C_\infty$	Ambient concentration ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	$\beta$	Casson parameter
$C_w$	Fluid wall concentration ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	$Q_0$	Dimensional heat generation or absorption
$C_p$	Specific heat ( $\text{JKg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ )	$Le$	Lewis number
$D_B$	Brownian diffusion coefficient ( $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )	$Nb$	Brownian motion parameter
$D_T$	Thermophoretic diffusion coefficient ( $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )	$Nt$	Thermophoretic parameter
$f$	Similarity function for velocity	$Nu$	Nusselt number
$\rho c_p$	Volume heat capacity	$Pr$	Prandtl number
$\phi$	Dimensionless solid volume fraction	$g$	Gravitational acceleration
$Gr$	Local Grashof number	$\mu$	Dynamic viscosity ( $\text{Ns m}^{-2}$ )
$\sigma$	Electric conductivity ( $\text{Sm}$ )	$W$	Condition at the wall
$\alpha$	Thermal diffusivity	$\beta_t$	Thermal expansion coefficient
$u$	Velocity in $x$ direction ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )	$\psi$	Stream function ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )
		$\gamma$	Inclination parameter
		$v$	Velocity in $y$ direction ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )
		$m$	Nonlinear stretching parameter
		$Gc$	Local modified Grashof number
		$a$	Stretching rate ( $\text{s}^{-1}$ )
		$R$	Chemical reaction
		$Re_x$	Reynolds number
		$Sh$	Sherwood number
		$T$	Fluid temperature (K)
		$T_w$	Wall temperature (K)
		$T_\infty$	Ambient temperature (K)
		$u_w$	Wall velocity ( $\text{m s}^{-1}$ )
		$\lambda_1$	Heat generation or absorption parameter
		$\nu$	Kinematic viscosity ( $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ )

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$\infty$	Ambient condition
$\beta_c$	Concentration expansion coefficient
$M$	Hartmann number
$f'$	Differentiation with respect to $\eta$
$(x, y)$	Cartesian coordinate (m)
$k$	Thermal conductivity ( $\text{Wm}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$ )
$B_0$	Uniform magnetic field ( $\text{kg s}^{-2} \text{A}^{-1}$ )
$S$	Suction or injection parameter

## Introduction

Non-Newtonian liquids picked up the fascination of researchers because of its broad assortment of employments in industry and designing. Casson liquid is a standout among the most basic characterizations of non-Newtonian fluids. It is shear diminishing liquid which is recognized to have endlessness viscidness at zero measure of shear and no viscidness on boundless degree of shear and, stress below which no movement take place. Some samples of Casson fluid comprize human blood, broth, rigorous fruit liquids, tomato paste, metallurgy, and jam, etc. Rafique et al. [1] studied behavior of Casson nanofluid flow for slanted surface. Recently, Anwar et al. [2] investigated Casson nanomaterial for permeable surface numerically. For detail literature see references [3–22].

In the past couple of eras, rapid developments in nanotechnology have brief generating of new age coolants called “Nanoliquid.” Nanoliquids are potential heat trade fluids with developed thermo physical properties and heat trade performance can be associated in various tools for better exhibitions (for example imperativeness, heat exchange, and other performances). Nanoliquids are organized by snooping with nanoparticles in ordinary heat exchange liquids with typical sizes below 100 nm for example, oil, water, and ethylene glycol. These are ebb and flow heat exchange controllers that activate the thermal conductivity of the base liquids and an important topic for specialists and scientists over the period of the most modern couple of years because of its various development and present-day uses. Eastman et al. [23] inspected in an investigation when nanoparticles are included base liquid (water) with volume portion 5% thermal conductivity upgraded up to 60%. Moreover, Eastman et al. [24] announced that the thermal conductivity expanded up to 40% by including the copper nanoparticles with volume part 1% in the customary liquid ethylene glycol or oil. Buongiorno [25] has talked about in his investigation there are seven systems, which are imperative to upgrade the thermal conductivity of the regular liquid. Among all these Brownian

movement and thermophoresis are increasingly significant. Recently, several researchers investigated flow of nanofluid with different effects [26–32].

The heat and mass exchange with chemical reaction over a slanted extending plate have achieved a considerable concentration of researchers because of its various uses in engineering. Chemical reactions divided into single-step or multi-step reactions, and in catalyst or noncatalyst reactions. Mostly, chemical reaction consists on different steps for instance primary steps due to which it becomes complex. In order to reduce this complexity, we require a mathematical model. The mathematical chemistry accomplishes mathematical model of the chemical procedure whereas, computational chemistry utilizes computer performances to reveal the chemical problems. The research of reaction rate and chemical procedure is a significant portion of today’s science, to examine the characteristics and structures of atoms and molecules, to switch, enhance, and motivate the process. Today we can discuss the complete reaction mechanism examines the whole collaboration among energy exchange performance and fast reactions in profound insights. For deep knowledge about latest concern research see [33–38].

Above-said literature reveals that no study has been conducted yet for Casson nanofluid for nonlinear slanted surface by incorporating chemical reaction and heat generation or absorption. Therefore, here we have presented the numerical simulation to tackle the features of Casson nanofluid flow on slanted sheet by employing Keller-box technique. Further, we can also use another numerical technique for the numerical solution of this problem but Keller-box method is easier to program, more flexible and more friendly as compared with other methods.

## Problem formulation

Casson Nanofluid on a porous slanted nonlinear enlarging plate with an angle  $\gamma$  is under account. The stretching and free stream speeds are supposed to stand as,  $u_w(x) = ax^m$  and  $u_\infty(x) = 0$ , respectively, here ‘ $x$ ’ is the coordinate dignified along the extending surface by taking ‘ $a$ ’ constant. The Brownian motion and thermophoresis properties are taken into account. Suction or injection is under discussion along with chemical reaction and heat generation or absorption (Fig. 1).

The flow equations for this study are given by

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

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \nu \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + g [\beta_t (T - T_\infty) + \beta_c (C - C_\infty)] \cos \gamma - \left( \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho} \right) u \quad (2)$$

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \tau \left[ D_B \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + \frac{D_T}{T_\infty} \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{Q_0}{\rho C_p} (T - T_\infty) \quad (3)$$

$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{2\nu a x^{m+1}}{m+1}} f(\eta), \quad \eta = y \sqrt{\frac{(m+1)ax^{m+1}}{2\nu}} \quad (7)$$

$$\theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty}, \quad \phi(\eta) = \frac{C - C_\infty}{C_w - C_\infty}$$

On substituting Eq. (7), system of Eqs. (2)–(4) reduces to the following nonlinear ordinary differential equations:

$$\left( 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} \right) f''' + f''f - \left( \frac{2m}{m+1} \right) f'^2 + \frac{2}{m+1} (Gr_x \theta - Gc_x \phi) \cos \gamma - \left( \frac{2M}{m+1} \right) f' = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$u \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = D_B \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} + \frac{D_T}{T_\infty} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} - R^* (C - C_\infty) \quad (4)$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  are the components of velocity in  $x$  and  $y$  directions, respectively,  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity,  $B_0$  is the uniform magnetic field strength,  $\sigma$  denotes the electrical conductivity,  $\beta_t$  is the factor of thermal expansion,  $\beta_c$  denotes the factor of concentration enlargement,  $D_B$  denotes the Brownian diffusion factor, and  $D_T$  denotes the thermophoresis diffusion factor,  $Q_0$  is the heat generation or absorption coefficient,  $R^*$  is the chemical reaction coefficient.

The subjected boundary conditions are

$$u = u_w(x) = ax^m, \quad v = V_w, \quad T = T_w, \quad C = C_w \quad \text{at} \quad y = 0, \\ u \rightarrow 0, \quad v \rightarrow 0, \quad T \rightarrow T_\infty, \quad C \rightarrow C_\infty \quad \text{at} \quad y \rightarrow \infty, \quad (5)$$

Here we obtained nonlinear ordinary differential equations from nonlinear partial differential equations by using stream function  $\psi = \psi(x, y)$  demarcated as

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}. \quad (6)$$

where Equation (1) is fulfilled identically. The similarity transformations are demarcated as

$$\left( \frac{1}{Pr} \right) \theta'' + f\theta' + \lambda_1 \theta' + Nb\phi'\theta' + Nt\theta'^2 = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\phi'' + Le f\phi' + Nt_b\theta'' - LeR\phi = 0 \quad (10)$$

where

$$M = \left( \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{a\rho} \right), \quad Le = \frac{\nu}{D_B}, \quad Pr = \frac{\nu}{\alpha}, \quad Nb = \frac{\tau D_B (C_w - C_\infty)}{\nu}, \quad Nt = \frac{\tau D_t (T_w - T_\infty)}{\nu T_\infty}, \\ Gr_x = \frac{g\beta_t (T_w - T_\infty)x^{-1}}{a^2}, \quad Re_x = \frac{u_w(x)x}{\nu}, \quad Gc_x = \frac{g\beta_c (C_w - C_\infty)x^{-1}}{a^2}, \\ Nt_b = \frac{Nt}{Nb}, \quad \lambda_1 = \frac{Q_0}{a\rho C_p}, \quad R = \frac{R^*}{a} \quad (11)$$

Here  $Gr_x$  signifies the local Grashof number,  $Gc_x$  denotes the local modified Grashof number, Here in order to make local Grashof number and local modified Grashof number free from  $x$ , the coefficient of thermal expansion  $\beta_t$  and coefficient of concentration expansion  $\beta_c$  are proportional to  $x^1$ . Hence, we assume that (see references [39, 40])

$$\beta_t = nx^1, \quad \beta_c = n_1x^1 \quad (12)$$

Here  $n$  and  $n_1$  are constants, and thus  $Gr_x$  and  $Gc_x$  become

$$Gr = \frac{gn(T_w - T_\infty)}{a^2}, \quad Gc = \frac{gn_1(C_w - C_\infty)}{a^2}.$$

The equivalent boundary settings are converted to

$$f(\eta) = S, \quad f'(\eta) = 1, \quad \theta(\eta) = 1, \quad \phi(\eta) = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \eta = 0, \\ f'(\eta) \rightarrow 0, \quad \theta(\eta) \rightarrow 0, \quad \phi(\eta) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad \eta \rightarrow \infty, \quad (13)$$

The skin friction, Sherwood number, and Nusselt number for the current study are defined as

$$Nu_x = \frac{xq_w}{k(T_w - T_\infty)}, \quad Sh_x = \frac{xq_m}{D_B(C_w - C_\infty)}, \quad C_f = \frac{t_w}{\frac{1}{2}u_w^2\rho_f} \quad (14)$$

The reduced Sherwood number  $-\phi'(0)$ , skin-friction coefficient  $K = 0$ , and the reduced Nusselt number  $-\theta(0)$  are demarcated as

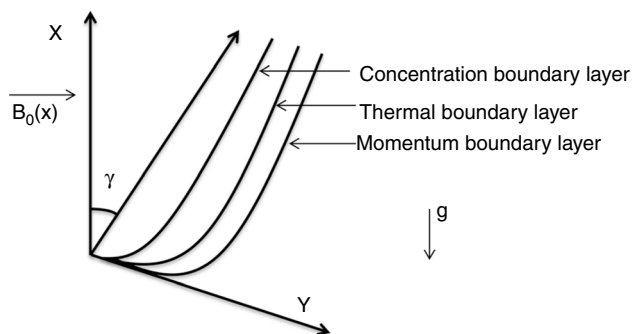


Fig. 1 Physical geometry with coordinate system

$$-\theta'(0) = \frac{Nu_x}{\sqrt{\frac{m+1}{2}Re}}, \quad -\phi'(0) = \frac{Sh_x}{\sqrt{\frac{m+1}{2}Re}}, \quad C_{fx} = \frac{C_f}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2}{m+1}Re}, \quad (15)$$

where  $Re_x = \frac{u_w(x)x}{\nu}$  is the local Reynolds number

## Results and discussion

The numerical outcomes of transformed nonlinear ordinary differential Eqs. (8)–(10) with boundary conditions (13) are elucidated via Keller-box method. For numerical result of physical parameters of our concern including  $Nb$  (Brownian motion parameter),  $Nt$  (thermophoresis parameter),  $R$  (Chemical reaction constraint),  $M$  (magnetic factor),  $Gr$  (local Grashof number), heat generation or absorption bound  $\lambda_1$ ,  $Gc$  (local modified Grashof number),  $\gamma$  (inclination parameter),  $\beta$  (Casson fluid parameter),  $Pr$  (Prandtl number),

$Le$  (Lewis number), and  $S$  (suction or injection parameter), table and different figures are arranged. In Table 1, in the absence of  $Gr$ ,  $Gc$ ,  $R$ ,  $M$ ,  $S$ , and  $\lambda_1$ , with  $\gamma = 90^\circ$  when Casson constraint  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$  outcomes for reduced Sherwood number  $-\phi'(0)$ , reduced Nusselt number  $-\theta'(0)$ , are equated with the existing outcomes of Khan and Pop [41]. The effects of  $-\theta'(0)$ ,  $-\phi'(0)$ , and  $C_{fx}(0)$  against different values of involved physical parameters  $Nb$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $Nt$ ,  $R$ ,  $M$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $Gr$ ,  $Gc$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $Pr$ ,  $Le$ , and  $S$  are presented in Table 2. It is noted that  $-\theta'(0)$  decreases for increasing the values of  $Nb$ ,  $Nt$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $Gr$ ,  $Le$ ,  $Gc$ , and for decreasing values of  $S$  whereas, increased by enhancing the numerical values of  $\beta$ ,  $M$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $Pr$ ,  $m$ ,  $R$ ,  $S$ . Moreover, it is observed that  $-\phi'(0)$  enhanced with the larger values of  $M$ ,  $m$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $R$ ,  $Nt$ , and for small values of  $S$ . Whereas, decreases for cumulative the values of  $Nb$ ,  $Le$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $Gr$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $Gc$ , and  $S$ . On the other hand,  $C_{fx}(0)$  surges with the increasing values of  $Nb$ ,  $Le$ ,  $M$ ,  $m$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\gamma$ , and for large values of  $S$ . Moreover, decreases with the increasing values of  $Nt$ ,  $Gr$ ,  $Gc$ ,  $Pr$ ,  $R$ , and for small values of  $S$ . Figure 2 portrays the velocity outline retards as we upturn the magnetic field constraint  $M$ . The logic behind is that magnetic field produces Lorentz force, by means slow down speed of the liquid. Moreover, similar result of velocity profile recovered by Jafar et al. [42]. Moreover, the velocity profile and nonlinear factor  $m$  have inverse relation see Fig. 3. The effects of suction parameter  $S$  on the velocity profile are shown in Fig. 4. It is perceived that the velocity profile decline by growing  $S$  parameter signifying the normal fact that suction steadies the boundary layer development due to which the creation of highest in the velocity outline also drops. The outcome of Casson constraint on velocity factor is presented in Fig. 5. It is detected that for different values of Casson parameter

**Table 1** Contrast of the reduced Nusselt number  $-\theta'(0)$  and the reduced Sherwood number  $-\phi'(0)$  with  $M, S, R, \lambda_1, Gr, Gc = 0$ ,  $Pr = Le = 10$ ,  $m = 1$  and  $\gamma = 90^\circ$  when  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$

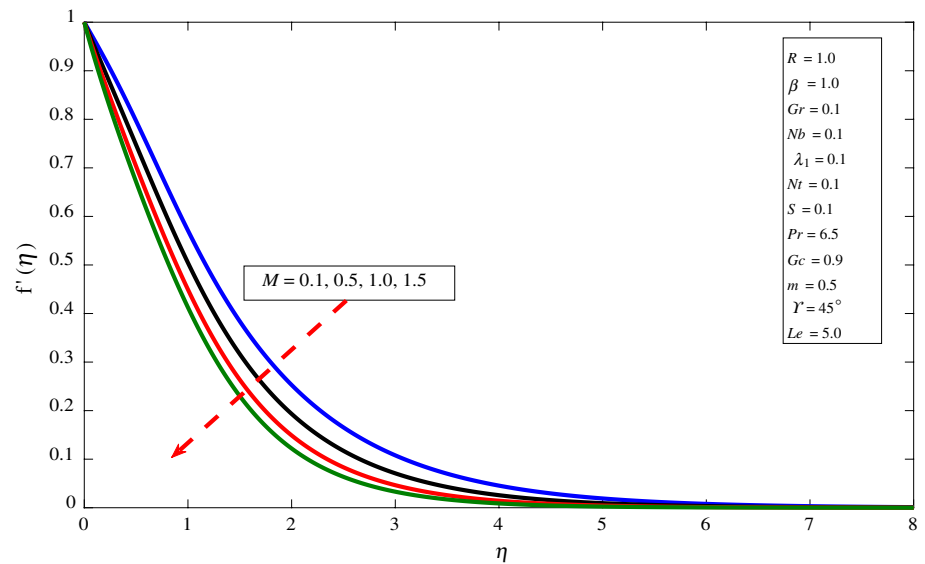
$Nb$	$Nt$	Khan and Pop [33]		Current outcomes	
		$-\theta'(0)$	$-\phi'(0)$	$-\theta'(0)$	$-\phi'(0)$
0.1	0.1	0.9524	2.1294	0.9524	2.1294
0.2	0.2	0.3654	2.5152	0.3654	2.5152
0.3	0.3	0.1355	2.6088	0.1355	2.6088
0.4	0.4	0.0495	2.6038	0.0495	2.6038
0.5	0.5	0.0179	2.5731	0.0179	2.5731

**Table 2** Values of  $-\theta'(0)$ ,  $-\phi'(0)$  and  $C_{fx}(0)$

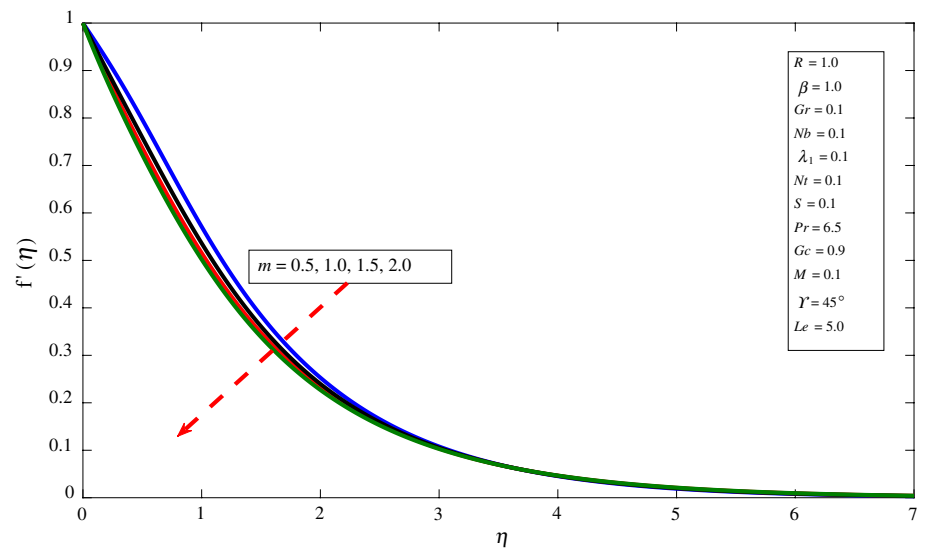
$Nb$	$Nt$	$Pr$	$Le$	$M$	$m$	$\beta$	$R$	$\lambda_1$	$Gr$	$Gc$	$S$	$\gamma$	$-\theta'(0)$	$-\phi'(0)$	$C_{fx}(0)$
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.7662	2.4211	0.3700
<b>0.3</b>	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.1359	0.7801	0.4449
0.1	<b>0.3</b>	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.4241	5.3833	0.1913
0.1	0.1	<b>10.0</b>	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	2.2744	2.8943	0.3678
0.1	0.1	6.5	<b>10.0</b>	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.4129	1.6403	0.4807
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.8477	3.0037	0.5218
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	<b>1.5</b>	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.8535	3.0828	0.5877
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	<b>5.0</b>	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.8161	2.7219	0.3763
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	<b>2.0</b>	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	2.0826	4.2966	0.2952
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.9	0.1	45°	1.3563	2.0224	0.3723
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	<b>1.0</b>	0.9	0.1	45°	1.7530	2.2727	0.2527
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	<b>2.0</b>	0.1	45°	1.7070	1.8359	0.0642
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.9	<b>0.3</b>	45°	2.3168	1.6795	0.5018
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	45°	1.5260	2.8454	0.2924
0.1	0.1	6.5	5.0	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.1	<b>60°</b>	1.7970	2.6672	0.4567

Bold indicates local modified Grashof number

**Fig. 2** Velocity profile for several values of  $M$



**Fig. 3** Velocity profile for several values of  $m$

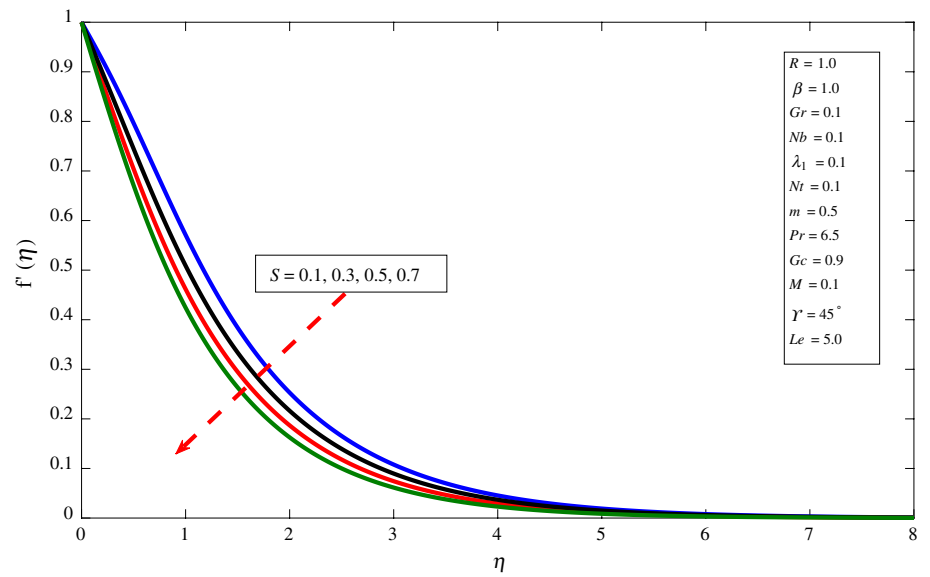


velocity profile decreases. The cause overdue this behavior is that by growing the values of Casson parameter  $\beta$  increases the fluid viscosity i.e., falling the yield stress. Therefore, the momentum boundary layer thickness reduces. Figure 6 indicates that the velocity outline increases by enhancing local modified Grashof number. It is pragmatic that the velocity profile rises by improving the buoyancy limit.

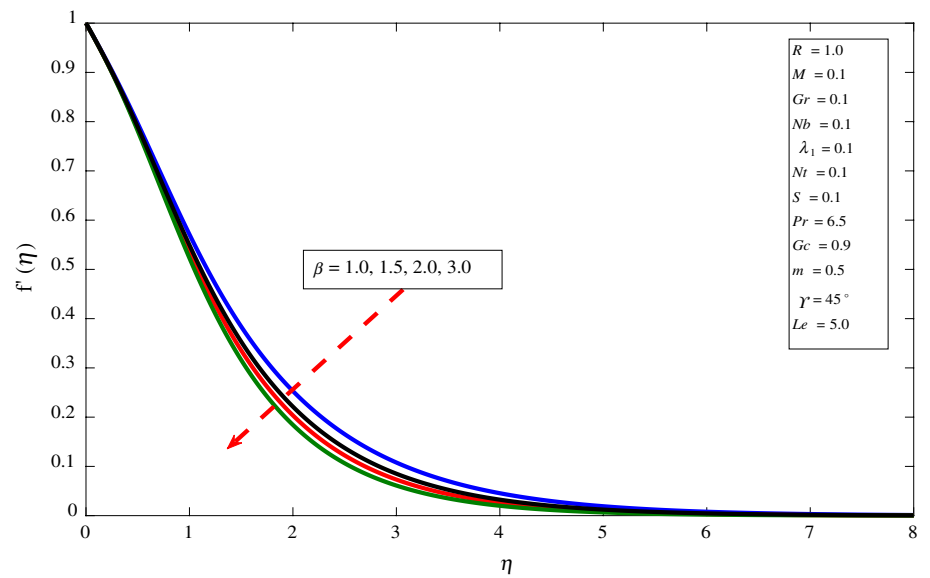
Figure 7 indicates that the velocity profile diminishes with increment in inclination parameter  $\gamma$ . This is because of enhancing the value of inclination; decrease the strength of the bouncy force by a factor  $\cos \gamma$  because of the thermal

variation. Also, we found impact of bouncy force (which is highest for  $\gamma = 0$ ) exceeds the main stream velocity. The temperature profile increases with the improvement in Brownian motion shown in Fig. 8. Moreover, contrary style is seen beside the concentration outline in Fig. 9. Substantially, the enlargement in Brownian movement factor supports to heat up the boundary layer due to which nanoparticles move from the extending surface to the liquid in rest. Therefore, the concentration nanoparticle moderates. Moreover, temperature and concentration profiles are increase for large values of  $Nt$  shown in Figs. 10 and 11. It is noted that the temperature and concentration contour upsurge in Figs. 12 and 13 by growing the values of heat

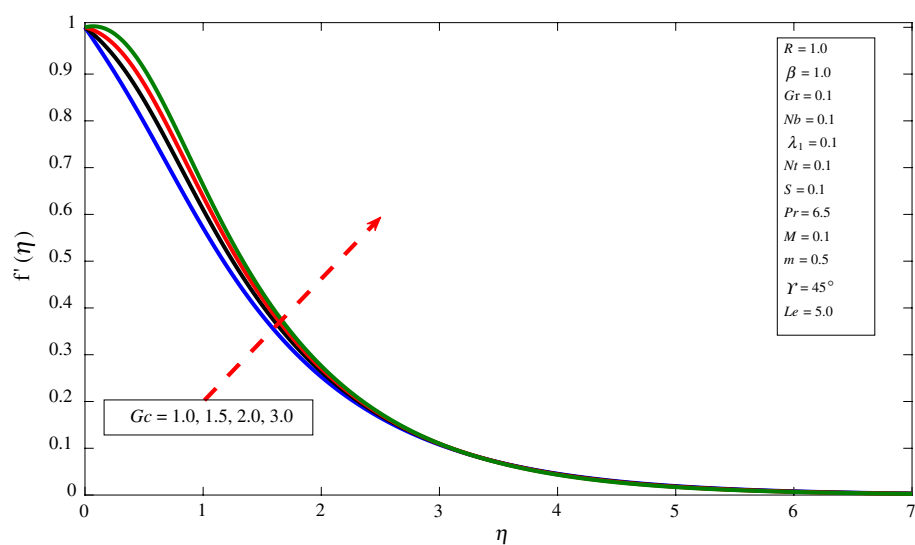
**Fig. 4** Velocity profile for several values of  $S$



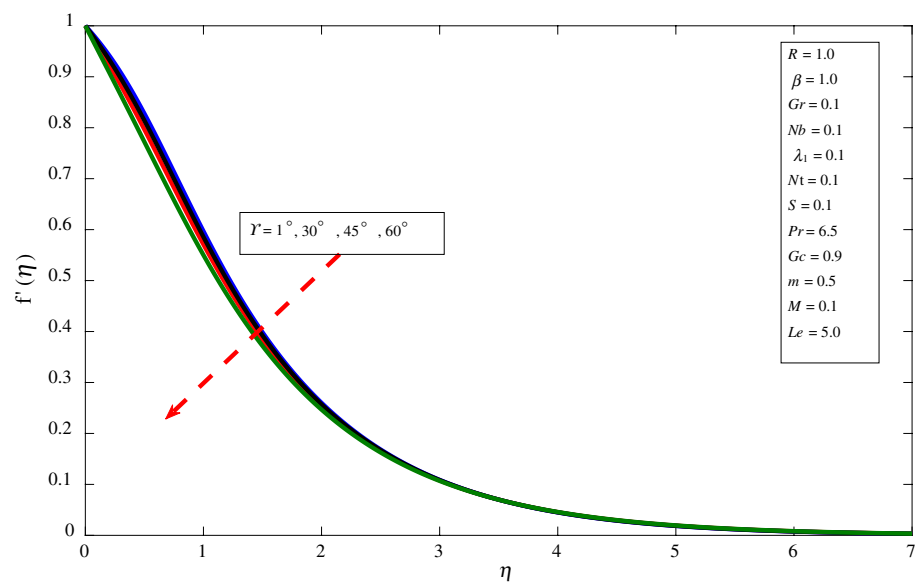
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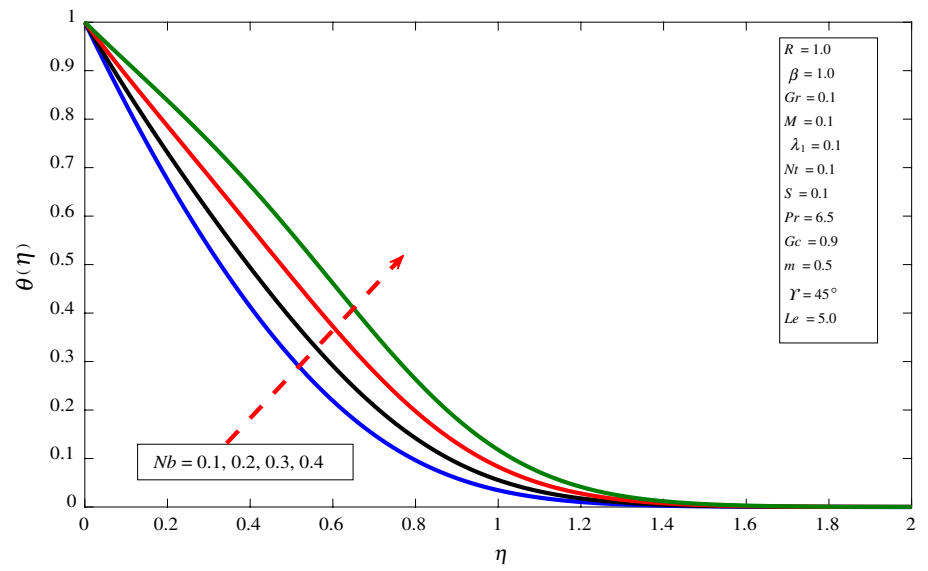
**Fig. 6** Velocity profile for several values of  $Gc$



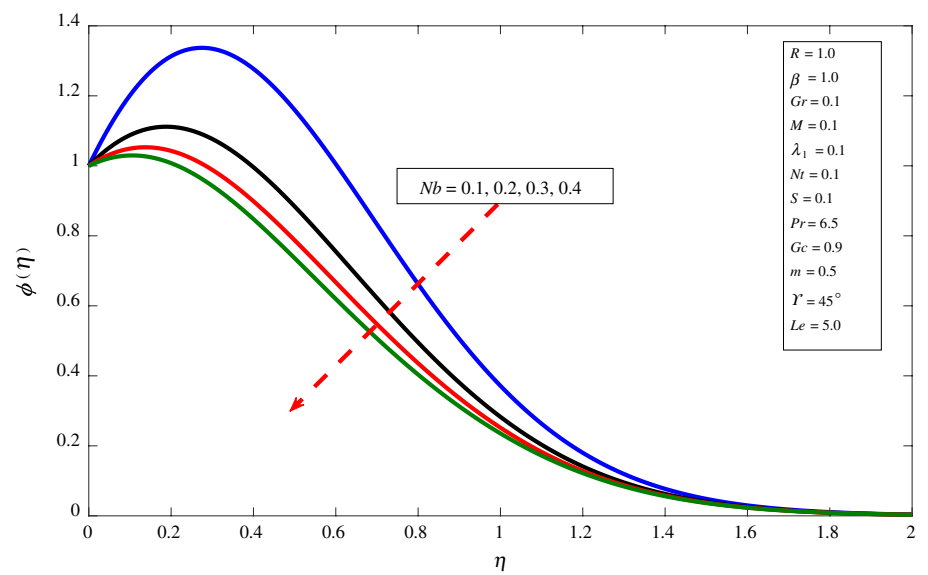
**Fig. 7** Velocity profile for several values of  $\gamma$



**Fig. 8** Temperature profile for several values of  $Nb$

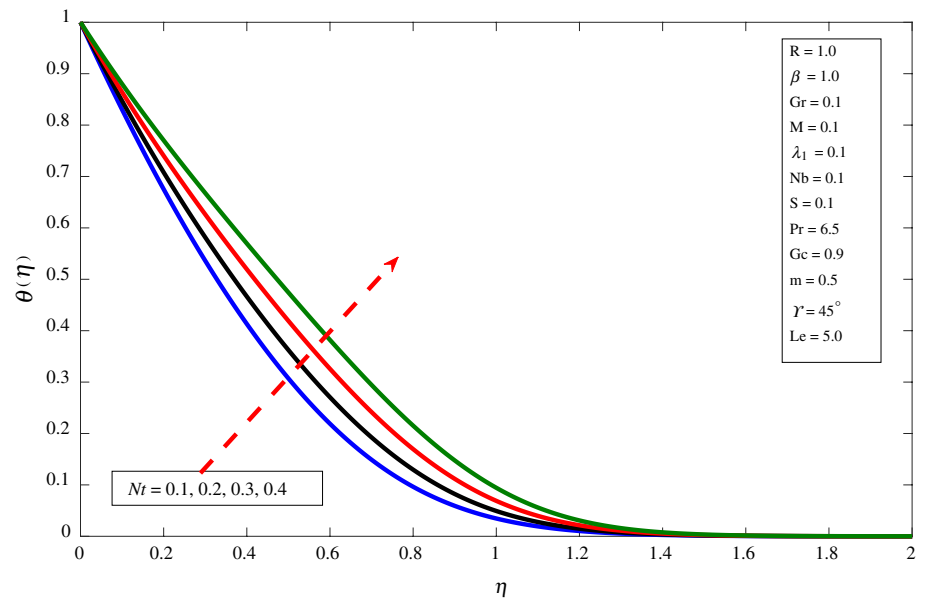


**Fig. 9** Concentration profile for several values of  $Nb$

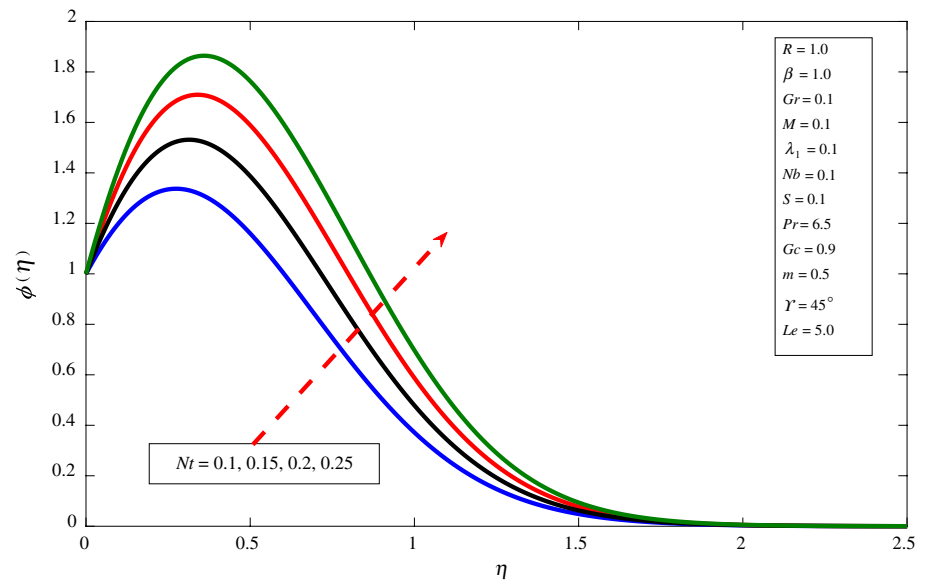




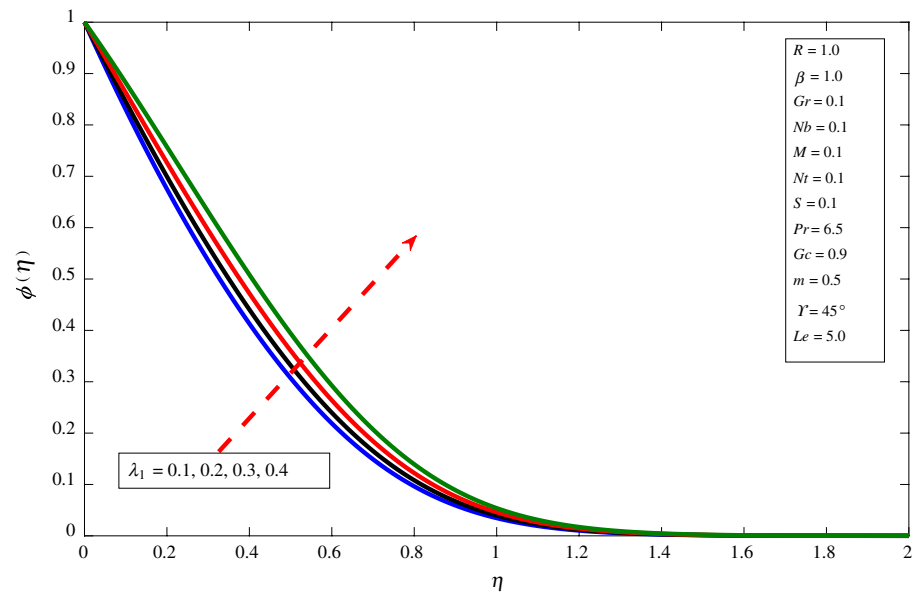
**Fig. 10** Temperature profile for several values of  $Nt$



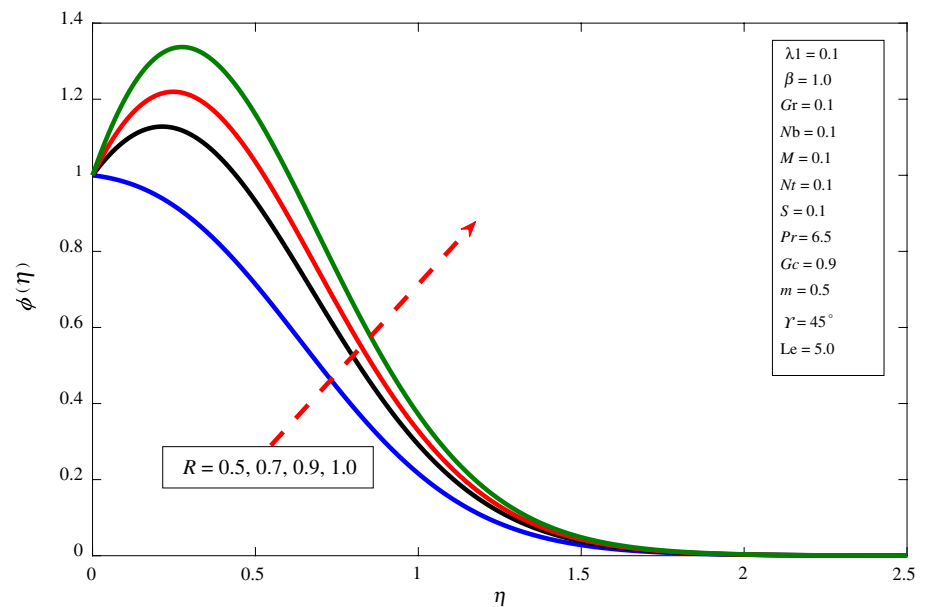
**Fig. 11** Concentration profile for several values of  $Nt$



**Fig. 12** Temperature profile for several values of  $\lambda_1$



**Fig. 13** Concentration profile for several value of  $R$



generation constraint  $\lambda_1$  and chemical reaction constraint  $R$ . The velocity of the liquid enhances by increasing the values of heat generation, due to which the temperature rises within the thermal boundary layer and heat breed in the flow region.

## Conclusions

In current problem, we discussed the energy and species transport of Casson type nanofluid flow for nonlinear slanted stretching sheet. The impact of suction or injection and chemical reaction factors on energy and mass transfer rates are investigated numerically. The important conclusion points are the following.

- Increment in inclination factor diminishes velocity of the fluid.
- The velocity profile enhances with the growth of local Grashof number and local modified Grashof number.
- Energy and mass transport rates increase by increasing inclination.
- Casson parameter declines velocity of the fluid.
- Concentration profile improves with the increment in chemical reaction factor.

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