

**METACHRONAL PROPULSION OF A MAGNETIZED PARTICLE-FLUID  
SUSPENSION IN A CILIATED CHANNEL WITH HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER**

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**ABSTRACT:**

Biologically inspired pumping systems are of great interest in modern engineering since they achieve enhanced efficiency and circumvent the need for moving parts and maintenance. Industrial applications also often feature two-phase flows. In this article, motivated by these applications, the pumping of an electrically conducting particle-fluid suspension due to metachronal wave propulsion of beating cilia in a two-dimensional channel with heat and mass transfer under a transverse magnetic field is investigated theoretically. The governing equations for mass and momentum conservation for fluid- and particle-phases are formulated by ignoring the inertial forces and invoking the long wavelength approximation. The Jeffrey viscoelastic model is employed to simulate non-Newtonian characteristics. The normalized resulting differential equations are solved analytically. Symbolic software is employed to evaluate the results and simulate the influence of different parameters on flow characteristics. Results are visualized graphically with carefully selected and viable data. With increasing wave number ( $\beta$ ) fluid velocity is accelerated in the core region whereas it is decelerated near the channel wall, for the Newtonian case. With increasing eccentricity of cilia elliptic path ( $\alpha$ ), a similar response is computed as for the wave number. The size of the bolus is enhanced (and quantity of boluses is reduced) with increasing eccentricity of the cilia elliptic path ( $\alpha$ ) and Hartmann (magnetic) number ( $M$ ) whereas bolus size is decreased (and quantity of boluses is increased) with increasing wave number ( $\beta$ ) and particle volume fraction ( $C$ ). It is also noted that increasing Schmidt number ( $Sc$ ) and Soret number ( $Sr$ ) diminish the concentration magnitudes. Furthermore, Brinkman number (which represents viscous heating effects) significantly boosts the temperature magnitudes. The current analysis provides a useful benchmark for more general computational simulations.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The word *cilia* is derived from the Latin for “eyelashes”. They arise in many biological applications both externally and internally (e.g. eukaryotic cells) and assist in generating bending waves which transport fluid over complex surfaces. Each cilium has a range length of about 2 micrometers to millimetres and its diameter is 0.2 micrometers. The term *cilium* is used when the cellular appendages are smaller in size and bound together on a single cell. The inner structure of cilia is characterized by a cylindrical core called an axoneme. Within the cilia there exists an arrangement of force-generating molecular motors known as *dynein* and elastic filaments which are termed *microtubules*. Cilia elements are alike to hair-like motile appendages which are found in female and male reproductive tracts, digestive systems and in the nervous system. Cilia motion plays a significant role in different physiological processes i.e. circulation, reproduction, respiration, alimentation and locomotion. When cilia elements conglomerate, a large-scale motion of propagating waves occurs, and this process is known as a *metachronal wave*. On protozoa (ciliated surfaces) when the beating of cilia occurs in large amounts, the activity of different cilia contributes collectively to the hydrodynamics and generates metachronal waves. Various authors [1-4] investigated the fluid dynamics associated with metachronal wave cilia beating and observed that the fluid viscosity changes across the thickness of physiological organs such as the duct afferents of the male reproductive tract, cervical canal and intestines. The behaviour and structure of a typical cilium can be treated as *a low Reynolds number swimmer*, owing to the properties of displacing and pushing a fluid with an impact of a total force. Cilia motion is generally associated with *asymmetric* beating which comprises two different phases, namely the *recovery stroke* and the *effective stroke*. Agrawal and Anwaruddin [5] investigated the cilia transport of Newtonian fluid having variable viscosity. However, the vast majority of biological fluent media are *non-Newtonian* in nature and therefore more accurate modelling of ciliated propulsion requires rheological models which may be viscoplastic, viscoelastic, micro-structural etc. Recently, Nadeem and Sadaf [6] presented closed-form solutions for nanofluid propulsion via cilia motion. Akbar and Butt [7] analysed the metachronal wave propulsion of a Rabinowitsch fluid in the presence of heat transfer. Miltran [8] conducted a three-dimensional formulation of metachronal waves in rows of pulmonary cilia using a two-layer fluid model (Newtonian viscous fluid adjacent to the cilia bases and viscoelastic fluid in which the tips of the cilia move) using an immersed

boundary method. Maqbool *et al.* [9] analysed the metachronal propulsion of fractional generalized Burgers fluid in a titled conduit. Siddiqui *et al.* [10] employed a power-law Ostwald DeWaele model for flow in a ciliated channel. Akbar *et al.* [11] used Eringen's micropolar model to derive closed-form solutions for ciliated propulsion in a two-dimensional channel.

Magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) is also an active area of modern biomedical engineering sciences. Blood for example is electrically conducting owing to the presence of haemoglobin in the iron molecule and ions [12]. Other physiological fluids which respond to magnetic fields are synovial lubricants [13] and plasma [14]. To properly quantify the effectiveness of, for example, magnetic drug targeting for different cancerous diseases [15, 16], it is important to develop realistic magnetohydrodynamic physiological flow models [17]. The imposition of external (extra-corporeal) magnetic fields is also beneficial in pain therapy [18] since it successfully controls flow. Furthermore, smart electromagnetic medical micro-pump design (e.g. non-pulsating) combines ciliated channel features with magnetohydrodynamics [19, 20]. The relative contribution of viscous hydrodynamic force and Lorentz magnetic drag force must be carefully selected in such designs. In recent years, significant interest has been directed towards simulating internal magnetohydrodynamic biological propulsion flows in channels and tubes with non-Newtonian models. Manzoor *et al.* [21] used the Jeffrey viscoelastic model and the Adomian decomposition method to investigate hydromagnetic ciliated flow and heat transfer in a porous medium channel with viscous dissipation effects. They used an elliptic model for cilia beating and showed that pressure difference is enhanced with increasing permeability & Jeffrey first parameter (“*relaxation to retardation time ratio*”) whereas it is reduced with Hartmann (magnetic) numbers. Akbar *et al.* [22] used the Casson viscoplastic model to analyse magnetic flow and convection in a ciliated channel with wall slip effects under an inclined magnetic field.

Although physiological fluids are known to be non-Newtonian they have the further complication that they contain multiple phases. Blood for example contains numerous suspensions which include non-protein hormones, lipids, proteins, nutrients, electrolytes, gases, erythrocytes, leukocytes etc. To accurately simulate the multi-phase nature of blood more sophisticated models are required. Among the most amenable is the fluid-particle suspension theory [23] which analyses the fluent medium with separate conservation equations for the fluid phase and particulate (suspension) phases. Also known as the “dusty fluid model”, this approach is also applicable to magnetohydrodynamic pumps (which may contain metallic particles e.g. seeded potassium),

aerosols, slurry systems, petroleum and centrifugal separation processes, particulate deposition on semi-conductor wafers electrostatic precipitation. The dusty model was introduced by Saffman [24] who considered hydrodynamic stability of fluid-particle suspension for a gas. Marble [25] generalized the model and identified important new applications in mechanical engineering sciences. Zung [26] conducted an early analysis of swirling Von Karman flows of fluid-particle suspensions. The continuum fluid-particle theory is also applicable in various biological systems of hydrodynamics such as swimming of microorganisms, rheology of blood, diffusion of proteins and particle deposition. Interesting applications of fluid-particle suspension theory in medical engineering include Mekheimer *et al.* [27, 28] and Srivastava and Srivastava [29] for peristaltic flows, Bhatti *et al.* [30] and Kamel *et al.* [31] for endoscopic slip flows, Chakraborty *et al.* [32] for stenotic hemodynamics, Bég *et al.* [33-35] for hematological filtration flows (dialysis). Magnetohydrodynamic dusty flows have also garnered some attention in recent years. Relevant studies include Vajravelu and Nayfeh [36] (on stretching sheets), Hatami *et al.* [37] (who used a differential quadrature method for fluid-particle Couette flow), Mahanthesh *et al.* [38] (on rotating magnetic lubrication) and Ramesh *et al.* [39] (on Hall peristaltic rheological hydromagnetic blood micropumps).

Moreover, the simulation of particle-fluid dynamics with heat and mass transfer has many scientific and engineering applications. These include thermal insulation, enhanced oil recovery, transport of underground energy, cooling of nuclear reactors, packed bed catalytic reactors vasodilation, haemo-dialysis process, oxygenation, treatment of hyperthermia and heat convection due to blood flow in a living body from the pores of tissues. Some relevant studies of fluid-particle transport phenomena include Refs. [40-45].

Motivated by recent developments in bio-inspired magnetic cilia systems [46], the aim of the present investigation is to analyze the *magnetohydrodynamic pumping of a fluid-particle suspension due to metachronal wave propulsion of beating cilia with the viscoelastic Jeffrey fluid model*. This non-Newtonian model represents biophysical fluids reasonably well and features three constants i.e. viscosity at zero shear rate, and two time-related material parameter constants. A number of studies have reported on the suitability of the Jeffery rheological model for biological hydrodynamics including Maraj *et al.* [47], Tripathi *et al.* [48] and Ellahi *et al.* [49]. However, to the authors' knowledge the collective fluid-particle and Jefferys viscoelastic models have not been considered simultaneously in ciliated magnetohydrodynamics. This constitutes the novelty of the

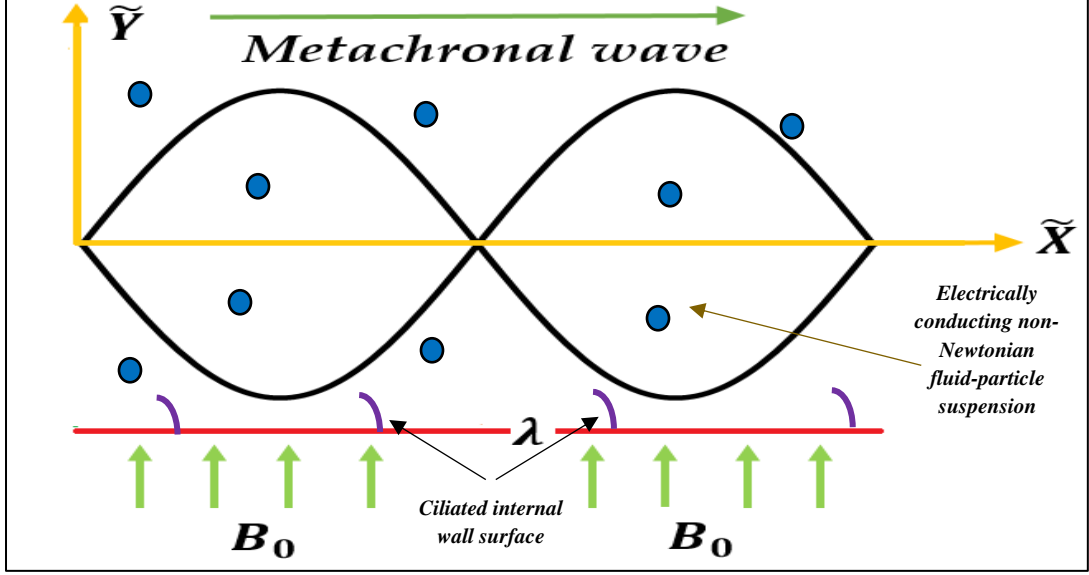
present analysis. The governing mass and momentum conservation equations of motion for fluid phase and particulate phase are constructed under the assumption of long wave length and low Reynolds number approximation. The appropriate stress tensor terms for the Jeffery elastic-viscous model are incorporated as are the Lorentzian magnetic body force terms. An elliptic beating cilia model is adopted to simulate metachronal wave propulsion [50]. The non-dimensional emerging ordinary differential equation boundary value problem is then solved analytically subject to appropriate boundary conditions. A detailed parametric study of the influence of *wave number, cilia path eccentricity, magnetic Hartmann number and particle volume fraction on velocity, pressure and bolus characteristics* is conducted with extensive visualization. Elaborate interpretation of the physics of the flow is included.

## 2. MATHEMATICAL MODEL

The physical regime under consideration is illustrated in **Fig. 1**. Unsteady hydromagnetic flow of an incompressible electro-conductive viscoelastic fluid-particle suspension through a ciliated two-dimensional planar channel. The particles embedded in the fluid are assumed to be equal in size, spherical in shape, and uniformly distributed in a fluid. The volume fraction and interparticle collision of the particles are ignored. Stokes' linear drag theory is applied to model the drag force. An extrinsic magnetic field is applied, while the induced magnetic field is very small and assumed to be ignored here. Electrostatic interactions between the particles are ignored. A metachronal wave occurs due to collective beating of cilia along the walls and travels with a constant velocity  $\tilde{c}$ . A Cartesian coordinate system is adopted for the channel i.e.  $\tilde{X}$  – axis lie across the axial direction and  $\tilde{Y}$  – axis lie along the transverse direction (see **Fig. 1**). The envelop for cilia tips is supposed to follow an elliptic model and the appropriate equations [22] are:

$$\bar{F}(\tilde{t}, \tilde{X}) = \tilde{a} + \varepsilon \tilde{a} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t}), \quad (1)$$

$$\bar{G}(\tilde{t}, \tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}_0 + \varepsilon \tilde{a} \alpha \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t}). \quad (2)$$



**Fig. 1:** Flow configuration for metachronal magnetic pumping.

The horizontal and vertical velocity components for the cilia motion read as [22]:

$$\tilde{U}_{f,p} = \frac{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tilde{a}\tilde{\epsilon}\alpha\tilde{c} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t})}{1 - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tilde{a}\tilde{\epsilon}\alpha\tilde{c} \cos \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t})}, \quad (3)$$

$$\tilde{V}_{f,p} = \frac{-\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tilde{a}\tilde{\epsilon}\alpha\tilde{c} \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t})}{1 - 2\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \tilde{a}\tilde{\epsilon}\alpha\tilde{c} \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} (\tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t})}. \quad (4)$$

The governing equations of motion for the fluid- and particulate-phases read as:

**Fluid Phase** [51-52]:

$$-\frac{\partial \tilde{V}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} = \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_f}{\partial \tilde{X}}, \quad (5)$$

$$\left( \tilde{U}_f \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_f}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \rho_f \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_f}{\partial \tilde{t}} + \rho_f \tilde{V}_f \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{X}} S_{\tilde{X}\tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{Y}} S_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} - \frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{CS(\tilde{U}_p - \tilde{U}_f)}{(1-C)} - \frac{\sigma B_0^2 \tilde{U}}{(1-C)}, \quad (6)$$

$$\left( \tilde{V}_f \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} + \tilde{U}_f \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_f}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_f}{\partial \tilde{t}} \right) \rho_f = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{Y}} S_{\tilde{Y}\tilde{Y}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{X}} S_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}} + \frac{CS(\tilde{V}_p - \tilde{V}_f)}{(1-C)} - \frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial \tilde{Y}}. \quad (7)$$

$$(c_p - c_p C) \rho_f \left( \tilde{V}_f \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} + \tilde{U}_f \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_f}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_f}{\partial \tilde{t}} \right) - \frac{\rho_p c_p C}{\varpi_T} (\mathcal{G}_p - \mathcal{G}_f) =$$

$$(1-C) \mathbf{S}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{X}} \left( \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} \right) + k(1-C) \left( \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{G}_f}{\partial \tilde{X}^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{G}_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}^2} \right) + CS (\tilde{U}_f - \tilde{U}_p)^2, \quad (8)$$

$$\left( \tilde{U}_f \frac{\partial \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{t}} + \tilde{V}_f \frac{\partial \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}} \right) (1-C) = (1-C) \mathbf{D}_m \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{X}^2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\rho_p C}{\rho_f \varpi_C} (\Theta_p - \Theta_f) + \frac{\mathbf{D}_m}{T_m} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{X}^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Theta_f}{\partial \tilde{Y}^2} \right) (1-C) \mathbf{K}_T. \quad (9)$$

**Particulate Phase** [51-52]:

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{U}_p}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_p}{\partial \tilde{Y}} = 0, \quad (10)$$

$$C \left( \tilde{U}_p \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_p}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_p}{\partial \tilde{t}} + \tilde{V}_p \frac{\partial \tilde{U}_p}{\partial \tilde{Y}} \right) \rho_p = - \frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial \tilde{X}} C + C (\tilde{U}_f - \tilde{U}_p) S, \quad (11)$$

$$C \left( \tilde{U}_p \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_p}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_p}{\partial \tilde{t}} + \tilde{V}_p \frac{\partial \tilde{V}_p}{\partial \tilde{Y}} \right) \rho_p = -C \frac{\partial \tilde{P}}{\partial \tilde{Y}} + S (\tilde{V}_f - \tilde{V}_p) C, \quad (12)$$

$$C c_p \rho_p \left( \tilde{V}_p \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_p}{\partial \tilde{Y}} + \tilde{U}_p \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_p}{\partial \tilde{X}} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_p}{\partial \tilde{t}} \right) = \frac{\rho_p C c_p}{\varpi_T} (\mathcal{G}_f - \mathcal{G}_p), \quad (13)$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \Theta_p}{\partial \tilde{t}} + \tilde{V}_p \frac{\partial \Theta_p}{\partial \tilde{Y}} + \tilde{U}_p \frac{\partial \Theta_p}{\partial \tilde{X}} \right) = \left( \frac{\Theta_f - \Theta_p}{\varpi_C} \right). \quad (14)$$

The empirical relations for the drag coefficient ( $S$ ) and the viscosity of suspension ( $\mu_s$ ) are given as follows [39]:

$$S = \frac{9\mu_0}{2\hat{a}^2} \tilde{\lambda}(C), \quad \tilde{\lambda}(C) = \frac{4+3\left(C + \sqrt{[8-3C]C}\right)}{(3C-2)^2}, \quad \mu_s = \frac{\mu_0}{1-\chi C}, \quad \chi = 0.07 e^{\frac{1}{T} [2.49TC + 1107e^{-1.69C}]}. \quad (15)$$

In Eqns. (1)-(11) all parameters are defined in the notation at the start of the paper. The stress tensor in the Jeffrey fluid model is:

$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{\mu_s}{1+\lambda_1} (\dot{\gamma} + \lambda_2 \ddot{\gamma}). \quad (16)$$

Here  $\mu_s$  is dynamic viscosity of Jefferys fluid,  $\dot{\gamma}$  rate of strain,  $\lambda_1$  ratio of relaxation and retardation time (Jefferys parameter),  $\lambda_2$  retardation time while dots denote differentiation with respect to time. Eqn. (12) can be reduced to the *Newtonian case* by taking  $\lambda_1 = 0$ . It is convenient to

transform variables from the fixed frame to the laboratory (wave) frame which maps the flow into a moving boundary problem and eliminates time:

$$\tilde{v}_{f,p} = \tilde{V}_{f,p}, \tilde{x} = \tilde{X} - \tilde{c}\tilde{t}, \tilde{U}_{f,p} - \tilde{u}_{f,p} = \tilde{c}, \tilde{P} = \tilde{p}, \tilde{y} = \tilde{Y},. \quad (17)$$

The non-dimensional quantities are defined as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} N &= \frac{S\tilde{a}^2}{\mu_s}, M = \sqrt{\frac{B_0^2 \tilde{a}^2 \sigma}{\mu_s}}, S_c = \frac{\mu_s}{\rho D_m}, S_r = \frac{\rho D_m K_T}{\mu_s T_m} \left( \frac{\mathcal{G}_1 - \mathcal{G}_0}{\Theta_1 - \Theta_0} \right), B_r = P_r E_c, \\ x &= \frac{\tilde{x}}{\lambda}, y\tilde{a} = \tilde{y}, v_{f,p} = \frac{\tilde{v}_{f,p}}{\tilde{c}\delta}, p = \frac{1}{\lambda \tilde{c} \mu_s} \tilde{p} \tilde{a}^2, \text{Re} = \frac{\rho \tilde{a} \tilde{c}}{\mu_s}, \tilde{c} u_{f,p} = \tilde{u}_{f,p}, P_r = \frac{\mu_s c}{k} \\ \Phi_{f,p} &= (\Theta_{f,p} - \Theta_0)(\Theta_1 - \Theta_0)^{-1}, \theta_{f,p} = (\mathcal{G}_{f,p} - \mathcal{G}_0)(\mathcal{G}_1 - \mathcal{G}_0)^{-1}, E_c = \frac{\tilde{c}^2}{c_p (\mathcal{G}_1 - \mathcal{G}_0)}. \end{aligned} \right\}, \quad (18)$$

Here again all parameters are given in the notation. Using Eqn. (13) and Eqn. (14) in Eqns. (5) to (10), then employing the approximation of long wavelength and ignoring the inertial forces, leads to the following formulation.

The remaining equation for the *fluid-phase* read as:

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{1}{\ell} \frac{\partial^2 u_f}{\partial y^2} - M^2 (u_f + 1) + \frac{NC}{(1-C)} (u_p - u_f), \quad (19)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta_f}{\partial y^2} + P_r E_c \frac{1}{\ell} \left( \frac{\partial u_f}{\partial y} \right)^2 = - \frac{P_r E_c}{N(1-C)} \left( \frac{dp}{dx} \right)^2, \quad (20)$$

$$\frac{1}{S_c} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_f}{\partial y^2} = -S_r \frac{\partial^2 \theta_f}{\partial y^2}. \quad (21)$$

Similarly, for the *particulate phase*:

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = N (u_f - u_p), \quad (22)$$

$$\theta_f = \theta_p, \quad (23)$$

$$\Phi_f = \Phi_p. \quad (24)$$

Their corresponding boundary conditions are

$$u_f = 0 \text{ at } y = 0; u_f = - \frac{2\phi\pi \cos 2\pi(x)\beta\alpha}{-2\phi\pi \cos 2\pi(x)\beta\alpha + 1} - 1; \text{ at } y = h = \phi \cos 2\pi x + 1, \quad (25)$$

$$\theta_f = 0 = \Phi_f; \text{ at } y = 0 \text{ and } \theta_f = 1 = \Phi_f; \text{ at } y = h. \quad (26)$$



where  $\ell = 1 + \lambda_1$ .

### 3. ANALYTICAL SOLUTIONS

The exact solutions of Eqn. (15) and Eq. (16) using Eqn. (17), can be obtained by integrating twice:

$$u_f = -1 - \frac{1}{(1-C)M^2} \frac{dp}{dx} - \left[ (1-C)M^2 N_1 - \frac{dp}{dx} \right] \frac{\cosh[My\sqrt{\ell}] \operatorname{sech}[hM\sqrt{\ell}]}{(-1+C)M^2}, \quad (27)$$

$$u_p = u_f - \frac{1}{N} \frac{dp}{dx}, \quad (28)$$

$$\theta_{f,p} = \left[ 4 + (2\theta_1 - \theta_2 \theta_3^2) h(h-y) \right] \frac{y}{h} + \frac{\theta_2 \theta_3^2 \left[ h - y + y \cosh[2hM\sqrt{\ell}] - h \cosh[2yM\sqrt{\ell}] \right]}{8hM^2 \ell}, \quad (29)$$

$$\Phi_{f,p} = \left[ 4 - (2\theta_1 - \theta_2 \theta_3^2) h S_r S_c (h-y) \right] \frac{y}{h} + \frac{S_r \theta_2 \theta_3^2 S_c \left[ y - h - y \cosh[2hM\sqrt{\ell}] + h \cosh[2yM\sqrt{\ell}] \right]}{8hM^2 \ell}. \quad (30)$$

Where

$$N_1 = \frac{2\pi\phi\alpha\beta \cos 2\pi(x)}{1 - 2\pi\phi\alpha\beta \cos 2\pi(x)}, \quad (31)$$

$$\theta_1 = \frac{B_r}{N_1(1-C)} \left( \frac{dp}{dx} \right)^2, \quad (32)$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{B_r}{(1-\lambda_1)}, \quad (33)$$

$$\theta_3 = - \left[ M^2(N_1 - CN_1) - \frac{dp}{dx} \right] \frac{\sqrt{\ell} \left( \operatorname{sech}[hM\sqrt{\ell}] \right)}{(1-C)M}, \quad (34)$$

Volumetric flow rate can be obtained by integration across the channel width:

$$Q_f = -(C-1) \int_0^h u_f dy, \quad (35)$$

$$Q_p = C \int_0^h u_p dy, \quad (36)$$

where

$$Q = Q_f + Q_p, \quad (37)$$

And

$$Q = \frac{h\sqrt{\ell}M \left[ \frac{dp}{dx} + (1-C)M^2 \left( 1 + \frac{C}{N} \frac{dp}{dx} \right) \right] + \left( (M^2 - M^2C)N_1 - \frac{dp}{dx} \right) \tanh[hM\sqrt{\ell}]}{\sqrt{\ell}(-M^3 + M^3C)}. \quad (38)$$

The *non-dimensional pressure rise*  $\Delta p$  is solved numerically by:

$$\Delta p = \int_0^1 \dot{h} dx. \quad (39)$$

where pressure gradient  $\dot{h}(= dp / dx)$  is evaluated from Eq. (38).

#### 4. GRAPHICAL DISCUSSION

This section illustrates the graphical results for the impact of selected physical parameters on velocity profile and pressure rise. Effects of velocity are plotted in Fig. (2) and Fig. (3), while the pumping characteristics are sketched in Fig. (4) and Fig. (5) and Streamlines are also drawn in Fig. (6) to Fig. (9) for selected parameters. Fig. (10) to Fig. (14) are plotted for concentration and temperature profiles.

**Fig. (2)** indicates that when cilia eccentricity parameter ( $\alpha$ ) increases there is a deceleration in the fluid phase velocity ( $u_f$ ). In all cases the profiles decay monotonically from the channel centreline to the wall (no slip condition). **Fig. 2** also shows that with increasing wave number, ( $\beta$ ), fluid velocity is accelerated in the core region whereas it is decelerated near the channel wall. With increasing eccentricity of cilia elliptic path, ( $\alpha$ ), therefore a similar response is computed as for the wave number. **Fig. (3)** shows that when the particle volume fraction rises then the velocity of the fluid decreases i.e. greater concentration of suspended particles induces a deceleration. It also indicates that the velocity of the fluid diminishes when the magnetic parameter ( $M$ ) rises. Higher values of ( $M$ ) correspond to stronger external magnetic field. This in turn accentuates the Lorentzian drag force which increases the impedance to the flow i.e. induces retardation and a reduction in fluid phase velocity magnitudes. At higher values of  $y$ , negative velocity is induced i.e. near the walls of the channel there is flow reversal. Evidently the flow is strongly regulated by the action of a magnetic field and this is of significance in flow control in micro-biofluidics.

**Figs. (4) and (5)** are plotted to visualize the impact of selected parameters on the ciliated channel pumping features. The nature of the flow is periodic and in fact a peristaltic wave. It can be observed from **Fig. (4)** that when cilia eccentricity parameter ( $\alpha$ ) increases then pressure rise diminishes in the *retrograde pumping region* ( $Q < 0, \Delta p > 0$ ) and its behaviour is similar in *free*

*pumping region* ( $Q < 0, \Delta p < 0$ ) and also the *co-pumping region* ( $Q > 0, \Delta p < 0$ ). The behaviour of the amplitude ratio ( $\phi$ ) is found to be opposite in both the regions. **Fig. (5)** reveals that when the particle volume fraction ( $C$ ) rises then the pressure rise diminish in a retrograde pumping region, whereas opposite response is computed in the *co-pumping region*. Inspection of **Fig. (5)** also reveals that when the Hartmann number ( $M$ ) rises then the pressure rise reduces in the free pumping region and in co-pumping region whereas it distinctly increases in the *retrograde pumping region*. The magnetic field therefore modifies pressure distribution substantially in different regions of the pumping in the ciliated channel.

In peristaltic flows, a key mechanism of interest is trapping which may be analysed by drawing stream lines. Trapping refers to the formation of an internally circulating bolus that is enclosed by various stream lines. It can be seen from **Fig. (6)** that when cilia eccentricity parameter ( $\alpha$ ) rises then the magnitude of the bolus *decreases* whereas the number of boluses increases. From **Fig. (7)**, we can see that the size of the trapping bolus decreases when the wave number ( $\beta$ ) increases. **Fig. (8)** demonstrates that when the particle volume fraction ( $C$ ) rises then the number of boluses increases whereas the size of the bolus decreases. Finally **Fig. (9)** indicates that when the Hartmann number ( $M$ ) rises from 0.5 through 1 to 1.5, then the size of the bolus becomes bigger while the number of bolus reduces i.e. greater magnetic field encourages growth of the bolus whereas it inhibits the quantity of boluses formed in the channel. When the viscous force is exceeded by the Lorentz magnetic body force therefore (i.e.  $M > 1$ ) the maximum contraction in bolus size is achieved in the regime. The opposite effect is induced when the viscous force exceeds the magnetic body force ( $M < 1$ ). The intermediate case ( $M = 1$ ) corresponds to an equivalence in the viscous hydrodynamic force and the Lorentz magnetic drag force and produces an intermediate bolus magnitude.

Fig. (10) to Fig. (14) show the variation of temperature profiles and concentration profiles for both the fluid- and particulate-phase. From Fig. (10) can be observed from this figure that an enhancement in  $\alpha$  and  $B_r$  tends to rise the temperature profile. Brinkman number  $B_r$  represents relative impact of heat generated due to viscous dissipation and the propagation of heat by molecular conduction. Therefore, an increment in Brinkman number  $B_r$  tends to create less effect

in the generation of thermal conduction through viscous dissipation and higher elevation in temperature profile. A similar behaviour was noted by Gorla et al. [53]. Fig. (11) is sketched for  $\beta$  and  $C$ . It is noted from this figure that the particle volume fraction  $C$  tends to produce a significant resistance in the temperature profile. However, the wavenumber  $\beta$  reveals a similar behaviour and the temperature profile is maximum in the centre of the channel. Fig. (12) is plotted for  $\alpha$  and  $S_r$  (Soret number) for the concentration profile. It can be viewed from this figure that both parameters represent converse behaviour on the concentration profile. Soret number is a mechanism noticed in the mixtures of mobile particles where the multiple particles types reveal various responses to a force of the temperature gradient. Therefore, an enhancement in Soret number tends to reduce the concentration profile. In Fig. (13) we can observe that concentration profile rises due to significant influence of  $\beta$  and  $C$ . However, the magnitude of the concentration profile is minimum in the centre of the channel. Fig. (14) shows the variation of  $S_c$  (Schmidt number) and  $B_r$  on the concentration profile. It can be seen from this figure that an enhancement in Schmidt number diminishes the concentration profile. Schmidt number represents the ratio of mass diffusivity and kinematic viscosity (“momentum diffusivity”), therefore, an enhancement in Schmidt number tends to rise the viscous diffusion and as a result concentration profile decreases.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

A mathematical study has been conducted to simulate the transport of an electro-conductive viscoelastic fluid-particle suspension with heat and mass transfer via metachronal wave propulsion in a planar channel. The internal walls of the planar channel have been modelled as ciliated and the synchronized cilia beating generates the metachronal wave. The governing conservation equations for momentum and mass for both the fluid phase and particle phase have been normalized with appropriate dimensionless variables and simplified via lubrication approximations. The resulting ordinary differential boundary value problem has been solved analytically. Numerical evaluation of the fluid phase temperature, velocity, pressure rise, concentration and streamline distributions has been conducted with symbolic software (Mathematica). The trapping mechanism has been examined via drawing stream lines. Graphical results for non-Newtonian fluids have been visualized for the effect of cilia eccentricity parameter,

Brinkman number, metachronal wave number, Schmidt number, particle volume fraction, Soret number and magnetic parameter. The major deductions which can be made from the present analysis are:

- Velocity of the fluid reveals opposite attitude along the walls with an increase in both the cilia eccentricity and wave number parameters.
- Velocity of the fluid diminish with increasing particle volume fraction and Hartman number.
- Pressure rise diminishes in the retrograde pumping due to an increment in particle volume fraction while the contrary attitude is observed in the co-pumping region.
- Temperature profile reveals converse behaviour for higher values of Brinkman number and particle volume fraction.
- Soret number and Schmidt number produces similar impact on the concentration profile.

The present results have ignored Hall current [39] and magnetic induction effects which may also be relevant to biological magnetic devices and blood flow control. These will be considered in the future. Furthermore nanofluids (featuring either metallic [54] or carbon-based [55] nano-particles) offer some potential in smart biomimetic pumping systems and these are also under consideration.

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## NOMENCLATURE

$\tilde{a}$	Mean width of the channel
$B_0$	Magnetic field
$\tilde{c}$	Wave velocity
$C$	Volume fraction density
$M$	Hartmann number
$\bar{P}$	Pressure in fixed frame
$Q$	Volumetric flow rate
Re	Reynolds number
$\mathbf{S}$	Stress tensor
$S$	Drag force
$\tilde{t}$	Time
$S_c$	Schmidt number
$S_r$	Soret number
$B_r$	Brinkman number
$\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}$	Velocity components in fixed frame
$\bar{X}_0$	Reference position of the cilia
$\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}$	Cartesian coordinate axes in fixed frame

### *Greek symbols*

$\sigma$	Electrical conductivity of Jeffrey fluid
$\lambda$	Wavelength
$\mu_s$	Dynamic viscosity of Jeffrey fluid
$\phi$	Amplitude ratio
$\rho$	Fluid density
$\varepsilon$	Measure of cilia length
$\lambda_1$	Relaxation time

$\lambda_2$	Retardation time
$\gamma$	Shear rate
$\alpha$	Eccentricity of the elliptic path of cilia
$\beta$	Wave number

**Subscripts**

$f$	Fluid phase
$p$	Particulate phase

FIGURES-COMPUTATIONS

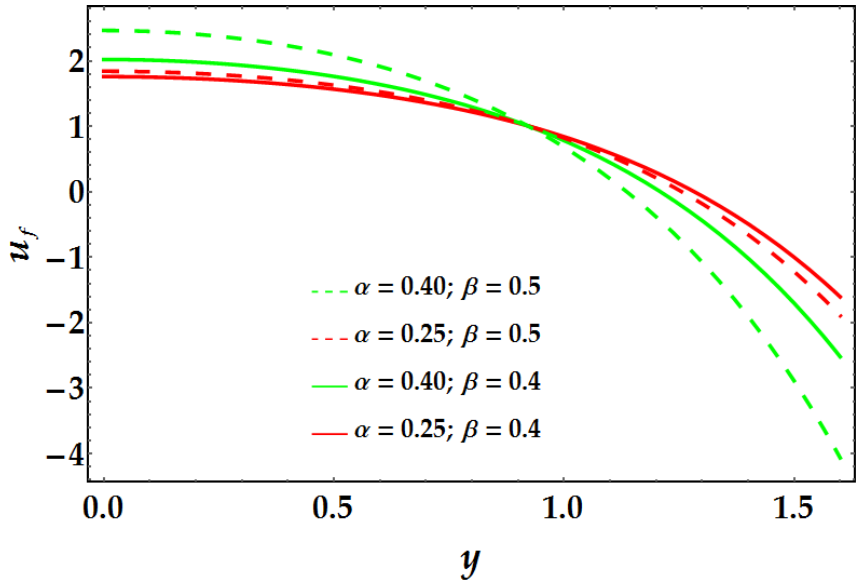


Fig. 2: Velocity profile for various values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

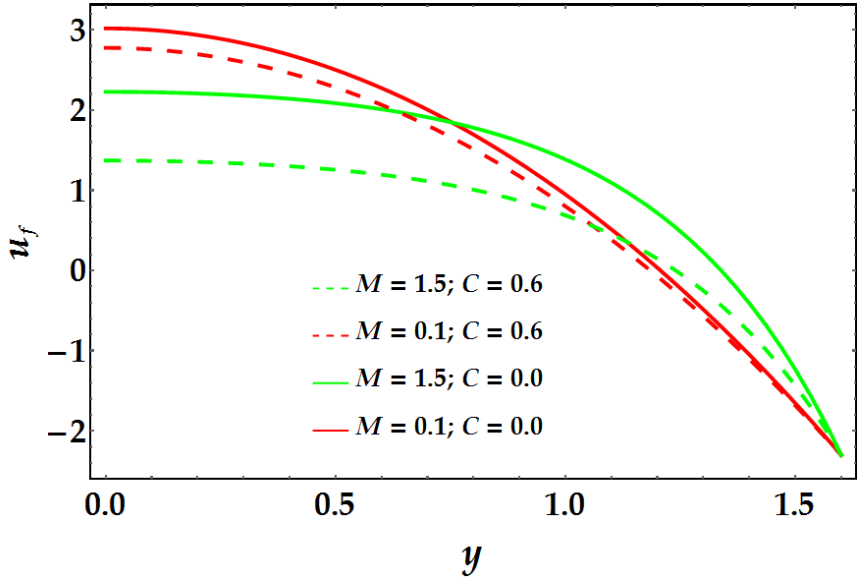
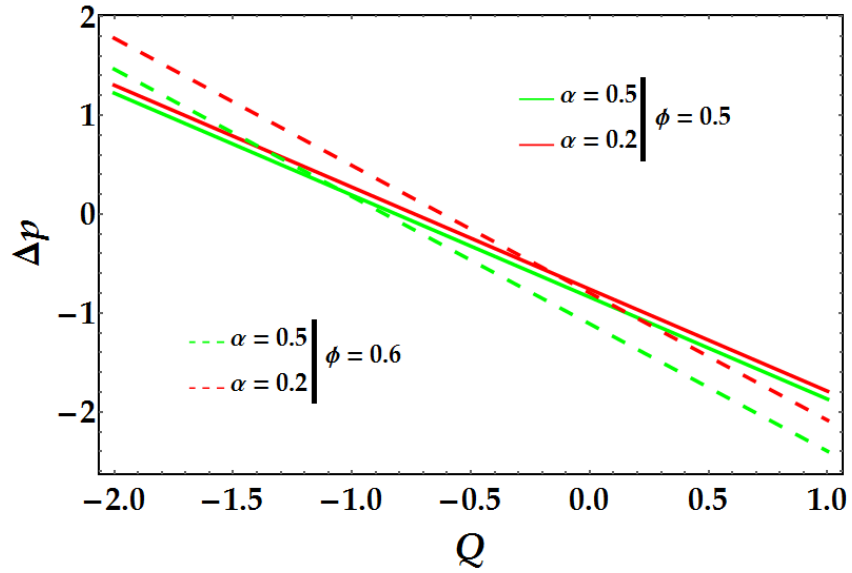
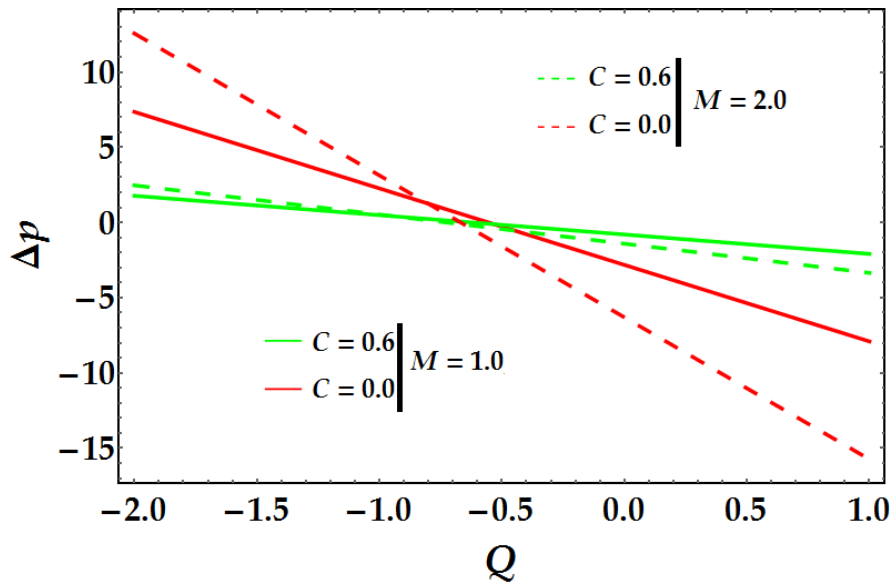


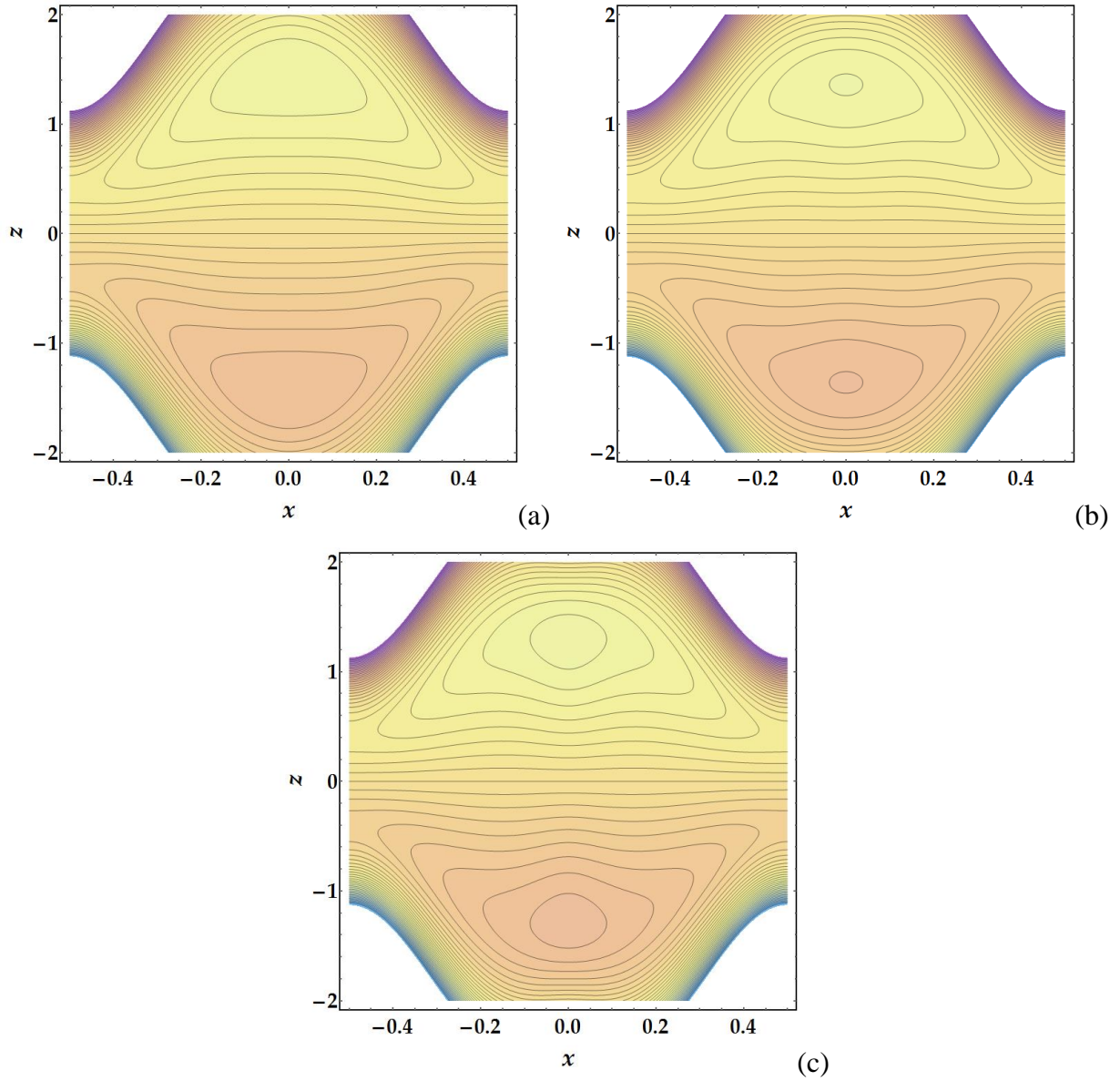
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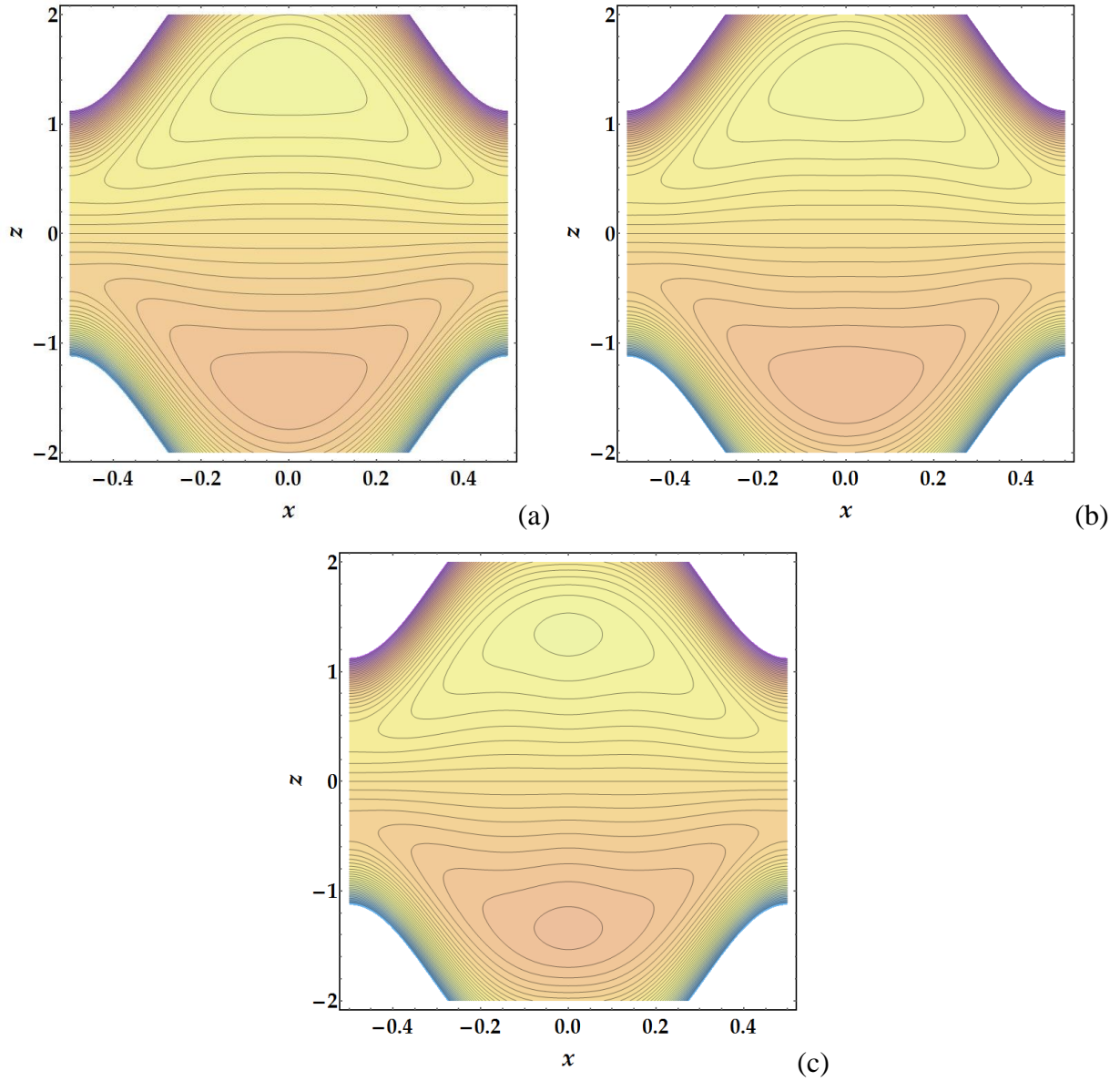
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**Fig. 5:** Pressure rise vs volume flow rate for various values of  $C$  and  $M$ .

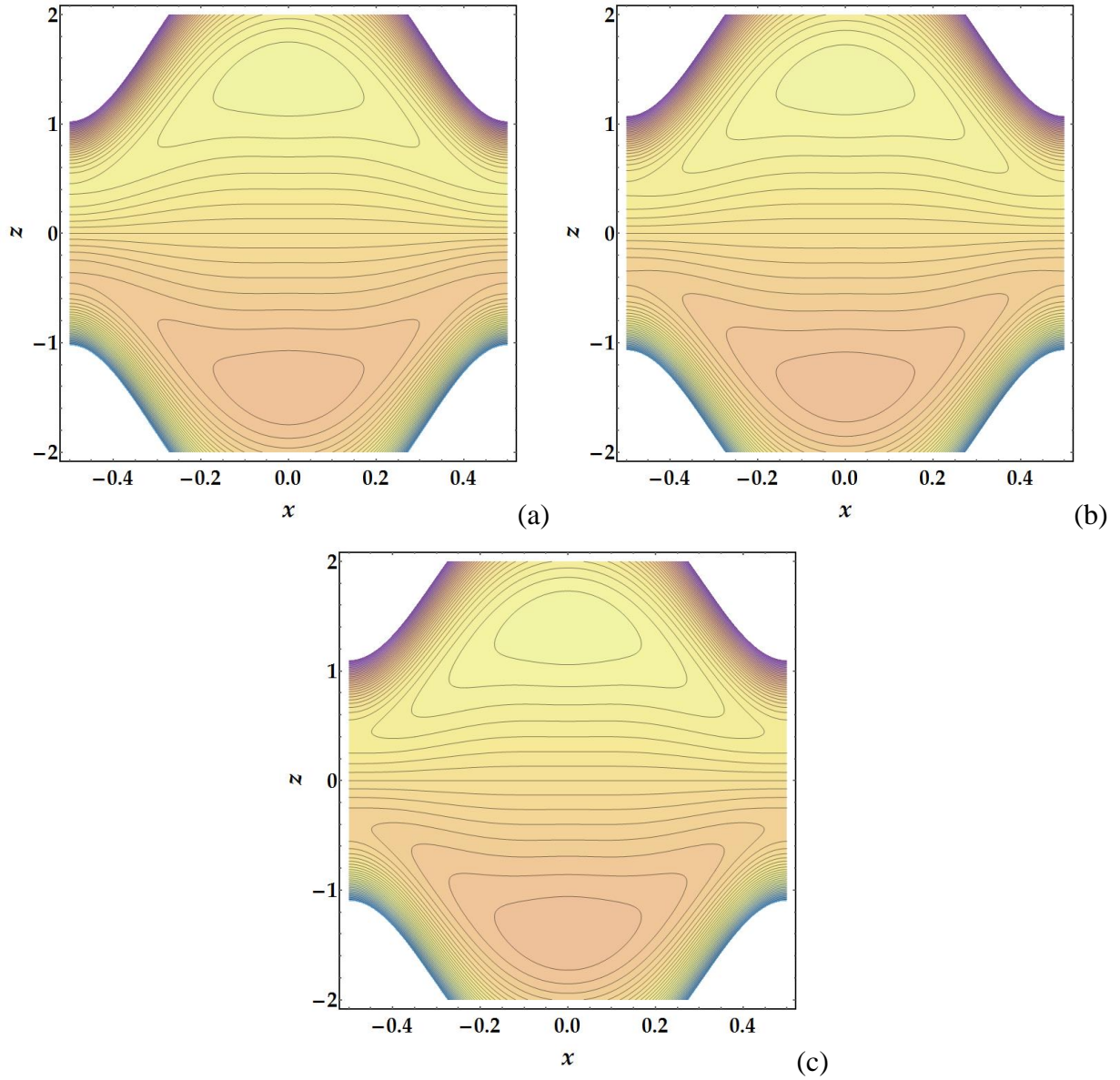


**Fig. 6:** Stream lines for various values of  $\alpha$ . (a)  $\alpha = 0.25$ ; (b)  $\alpha = 0.3$ ; (c)  $\alpha = 0.4$

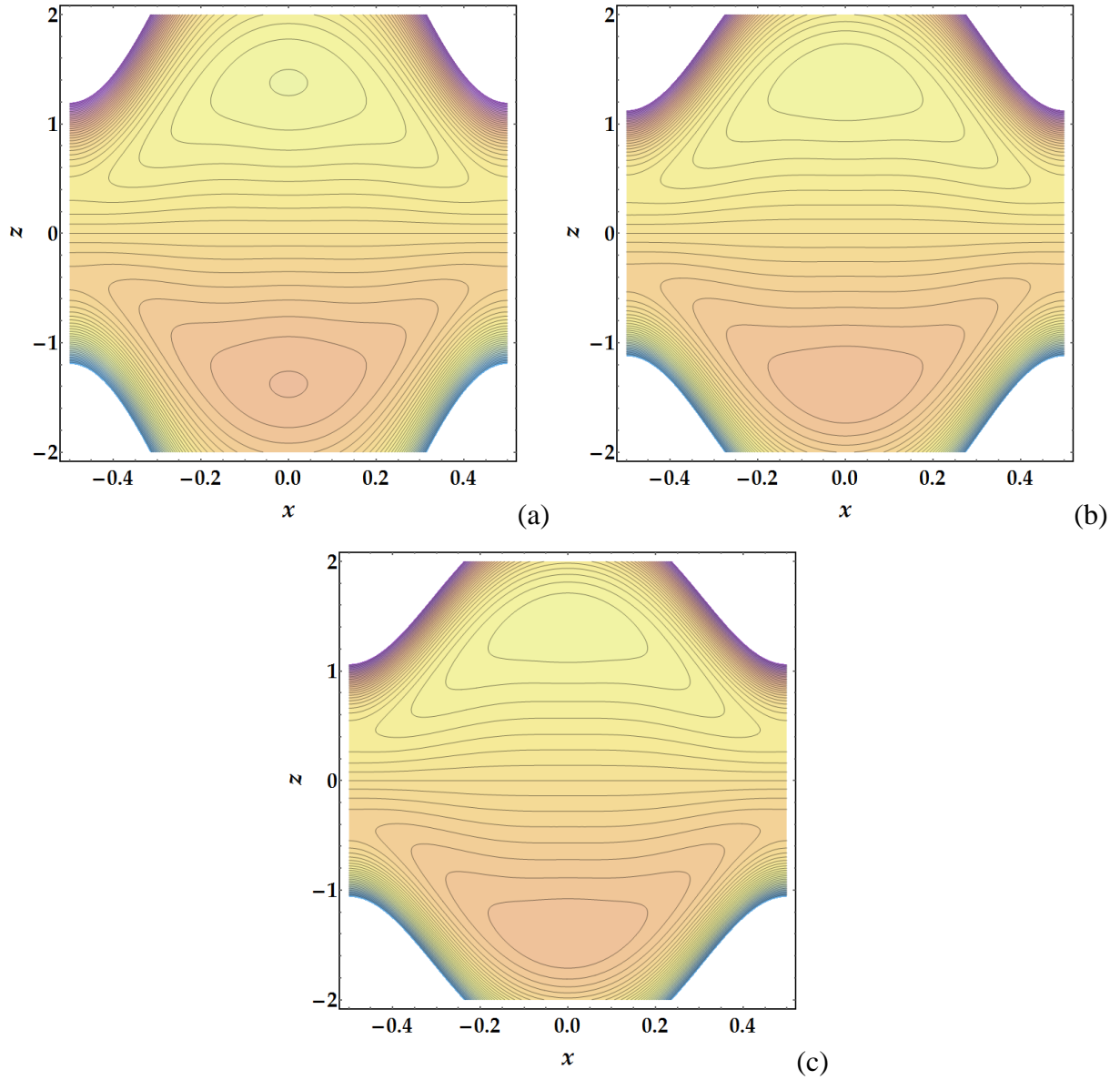


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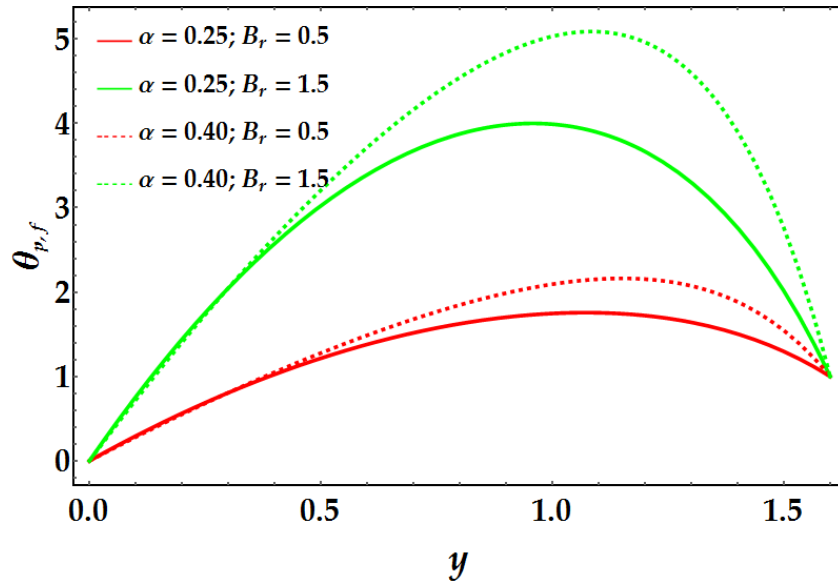




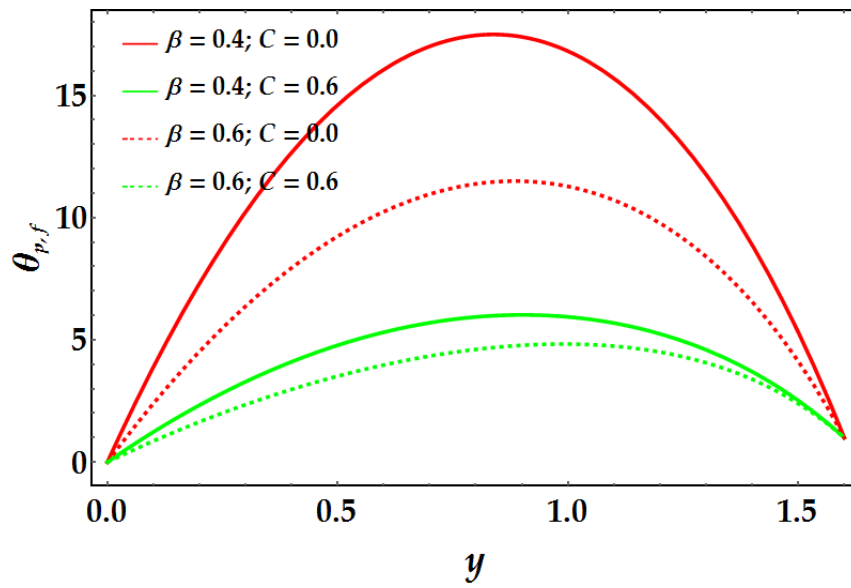
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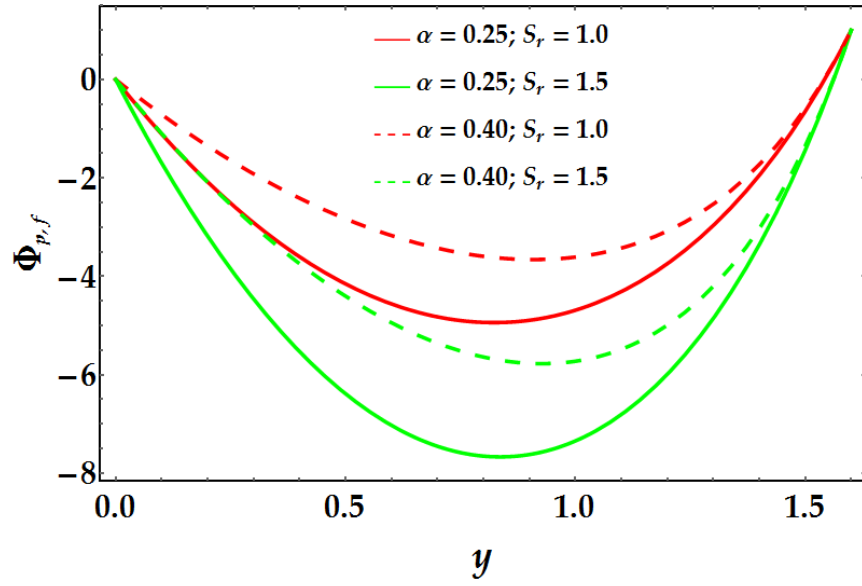
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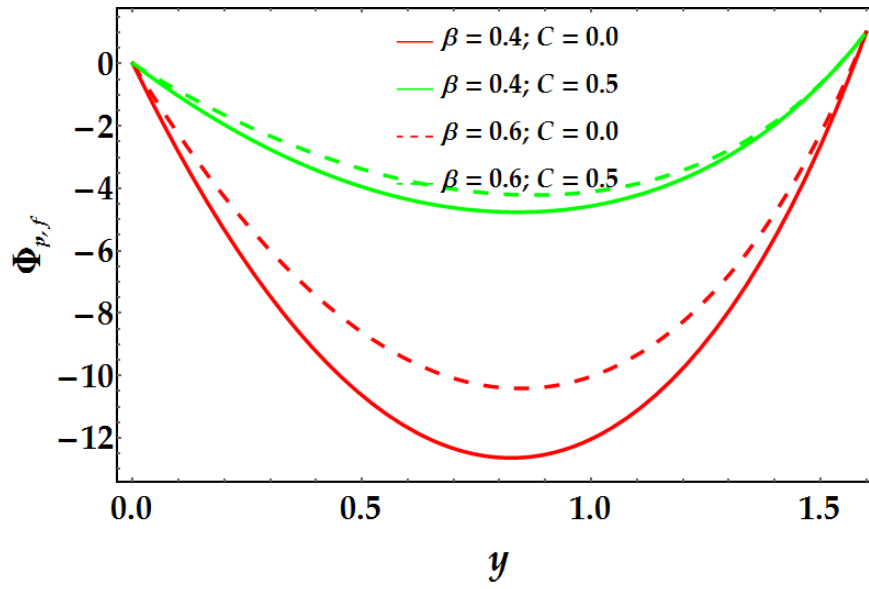
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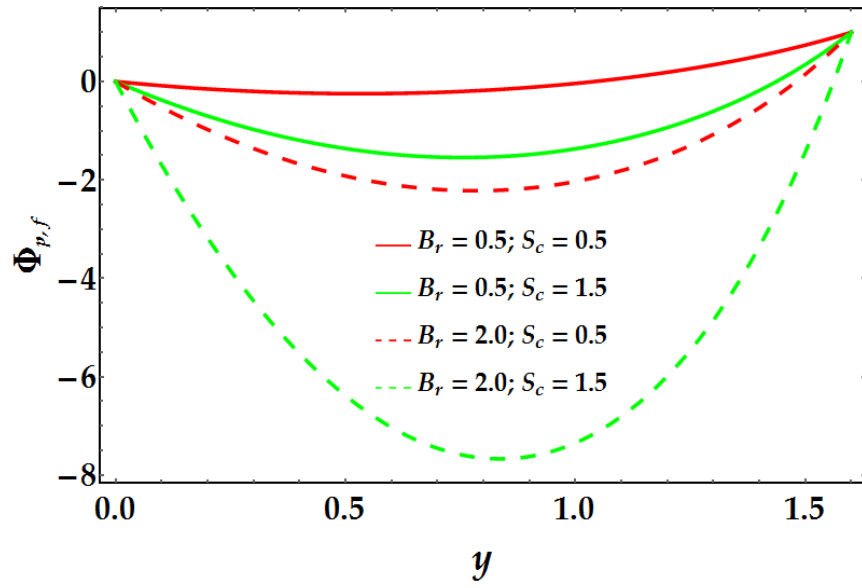
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**Fig. 12:** Concentration profile for various values of  $\alpha$  and  $S_r$ .



**Fig. 13:** Concentration profile for various values of  $\beta$  and  $C$ .



**Fig. 14:** Concentration profile for various values of  $S_c$  and  $B_r$ .