



## Exploring magnetic dipole contribution on radiative flow of ferromagnetic Williamson fluid

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### ABSTRACT

The purpose of present article is to analyze the impacts of thermal radiation and magnetic dipole in flow of ferromagnetic Williamson liquid over a stretched surface. Appropriate transformations are utilized to obtain the relevant nonlinear differential system. The obtained differential system is tackled numerically with the help of built-in-shooting method. Influence of viscous dissipation, ferromagnetic interaction parameter, cure temperature, Prandtl number, Weissenberg number (material parameter) and thermal radiation are observed on temperature and velocity fields. Further velocity and temperature gradients are discussed and analyzed graphically. The obtained outcomes declare that surface drag force and heat transfer rate enhance for higher estimation of thermal radiation and Prandtl number. Moreover velocity field decays verses Weissenberg number.

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## Introduction

Ferrofluids (portmanteau of liquid and ferromagnetic particles) is a liquid in the presence of external magnetic field that becomes magnetized. These types of fluids are liquids colloidal made by nanoscale ferrimagnetic or ferromagnetic particles suspended in a fluid carrier (usually an water or organic solvent). The suspension of particles is caused by Brownian motion and under normal condition these particles will not settle. Further every ferromagnetic particles are coated by surfactant to prevent the clumping. Magnetic attraction of nanoscale ferromagnetic particles is low when surfactant van der Waals force of sufficient strength to inhibit agglomeration or magnetic clumping. There are various application of ferromagnetic fluids. For example in electronic devices, analytical instrumentation, medicine, friction-reducing agent, angular momentum change agent, heat transfer agent etc. Due to these uncountable applications many scientists and researchers accelerated the study of ferrofluid. Firstly Anderson and Vanes [1] studied effect of magnetic dipole on ferrofluid. Titus and abraham [2] investigated ferroliquid flow and heat transfer past a stretchable sheet. Effect of thermal radiation on ferrofluid in the presence of magnetic dipole is explored by Zeeshan et al. [3]. Interaction of ferromagnetic fluid flow with convective heat transfer is discussed by

Sheikholeslami et al. [4]. Neuringer [5] discussed magnetic dipole impact on stagnation point flow against a heated ferrofluid flow towards a wall with linearly decreasing surface temperature. Kefati [6] accomplished convective flow of ferromagnetic liquid with linear temperature in a cavity. He verified that by adding the ferromagnetic particles heat transfer rate decays. They concluded that Nusselt number directly depends upon Reynolds number and volume fraction, while Hartmann number has opposite behavior. Few recent articles related to ferrofluid flow are presented by Refs. [7–15].

Radiation effect has several applications in engineering, physics and industry like glass production, polymer processing, space technology and in nuclear reactors. Sunlight also known as solar radiation is a form of radiation that obtained from the sun. Sun/solar energy never runs out, no burning or motion are required in the energy conservation process. Few recent investigations on radiative flow can be found in Refs. [16–24].

Many biological liquids together with the liquids are utilized in industrial utilizations like printer ink, detergents, animal bloods, paints, polymer liquids, food stuff etc. The Naver-Stokes equation is incapable to elucidate the rheological feature of non-Newtonian fluid. In order to elucidate such types of features several fluid models have been suggested. Few suggested models are Ellis model, Carreau model, Cross model, power law model etc. In such types of models there is one known as the Williamson model. Williamson [25] experimentally proposed a model for the

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description of pseudoplastic fluid flow. Hayat et al. [26] investigated flow of Williamson fluid with Soret-Dufour effects and thermal radiation. Yousaf et al. [27] explored three dimensional flow of Williamson fluid. Zahra et al. [28] presented numerical simulation for flow of Williamson fluid with variable viscosity. Further some investigations covering Williamson liquid we addressed through the Refs. [29–34].

Present work is aimed to investigate Williamson ferrofluid flow over a stretchable sheet under the impacts of magnetic dipole and thermal radiation. Viscous dissipation is also accounted. By a suitable similarity transformation procedure the governing partial differential equations are transformed into ordinary differential equations. The resulting ODE's are solved numerically by standard Shooting method [35–40]. The obtained consequences are comprehensively discussed.

### Description of problem

Here two-dimensional (2D) ferromagnetic flow of Williamson liquid is modeled. Heat transfer modeling is performed by considering thermal radiation and viscous dissipation. For magnetization of liquid magnetic dipole of sufficient strength is placed at a distance  $a$  below x-axis and center on y-axis (see Fig. 1). Temperature of sheet denoted by  $T_w$  which is less than  $T_c$  where  $T_c$  is ambient temperature. The governing flow expressions are

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$\rho \frac{d\mathbf{V}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \nabla \tau + \lambda_0 (\mathbf{M} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{H}, \quad (2)$$

$$\rho c_p \frac{dT}{dt} + \lambda_0 T \frac{\partial M}{\partial T} (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla) H = k \nabla^2 T - \nabla \cdot \mathbf{q} + \tau : \mathbf{L}, \quad (3)$$

here  $\mathbf{q}$  indicates radiative heat flux and  $\mathbf{L}$  the velocity gradient.

Cauchy stress tensor for Williamson liquid model is [32]:

$$\tau = \left[ \mu_\infty + \frac{\mu_0 - \mu_\infty}{1 - \Gamma |\dot{\gamma}|} \right] \mathbf{A}_1, \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_1 &= \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{L}^T, |\dot{\gamma}| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}_1^2)} \\ &= \sqrt{\left[ 2 \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right]}, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

in which  $\mu_0$  and  $\mu_\infty$  denote the low and high shear rates viscosities,  $\Gamma$  the material time constant,  $A_1$  the first order Rivlin-Erickson tensor and  $\dot{\gamma}$  the shear rate. Present flow can be put into the following expressions [8,10]:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0, \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} &= v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + 2v\Gamma \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\lambda_0 M}{\rho} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}, \\ \rho c_p \left( u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \lambda_0 T \frac{\partial M}{\partial T} \left( u \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \right) \\ &= k \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial q_r}{\partial y} + \mu_0 \left[ \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \Gamma \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^3 \right], \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

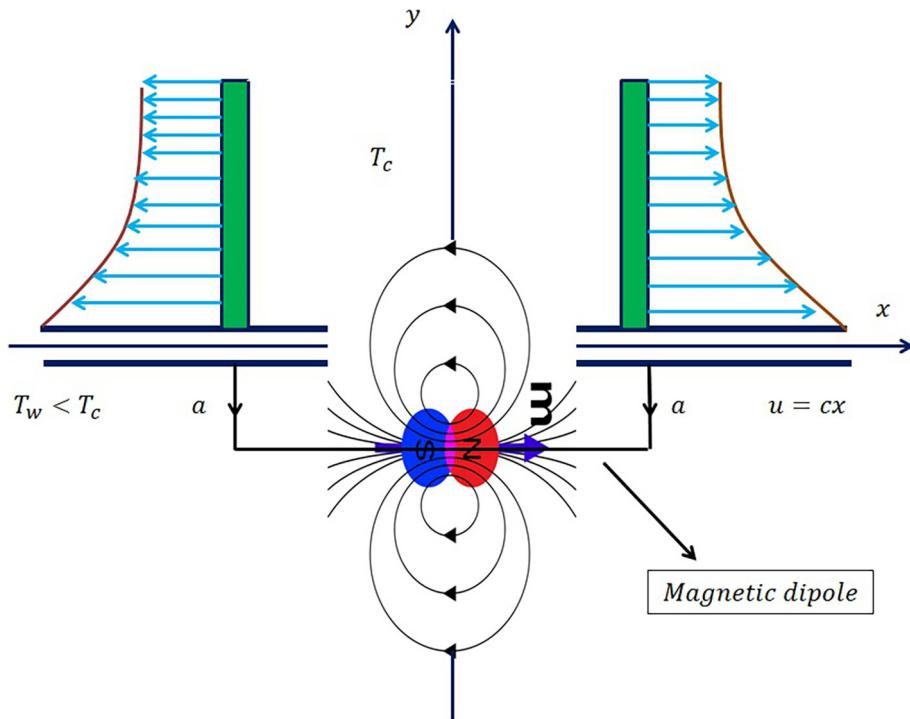
with

$$u|_{y=0} = cx, v|_{y=0} = 0, T|_{y=0} = T_w, u|_{y \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0, T|_{y \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow T_c. \quad (8)$$

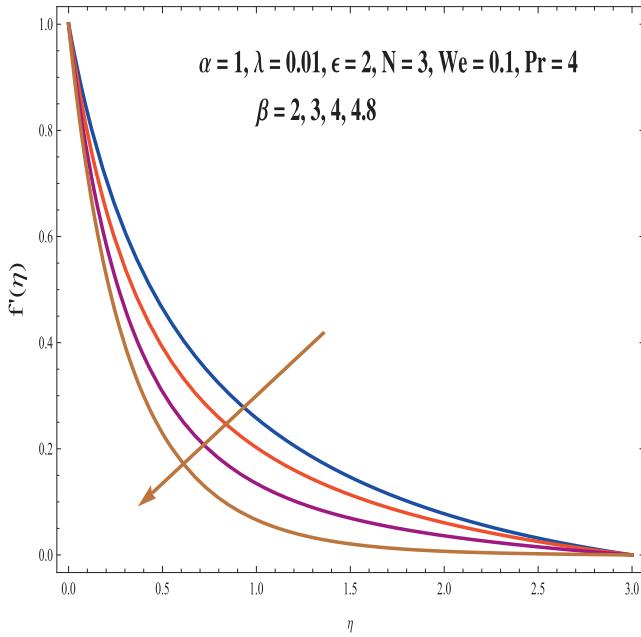
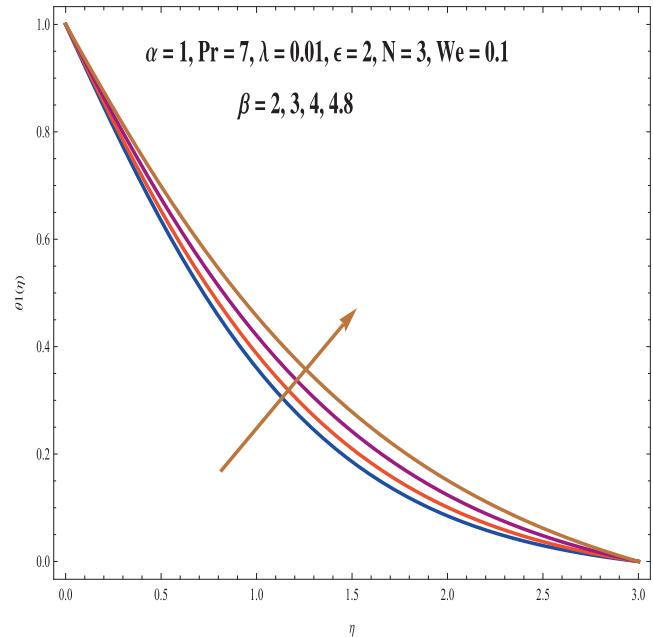
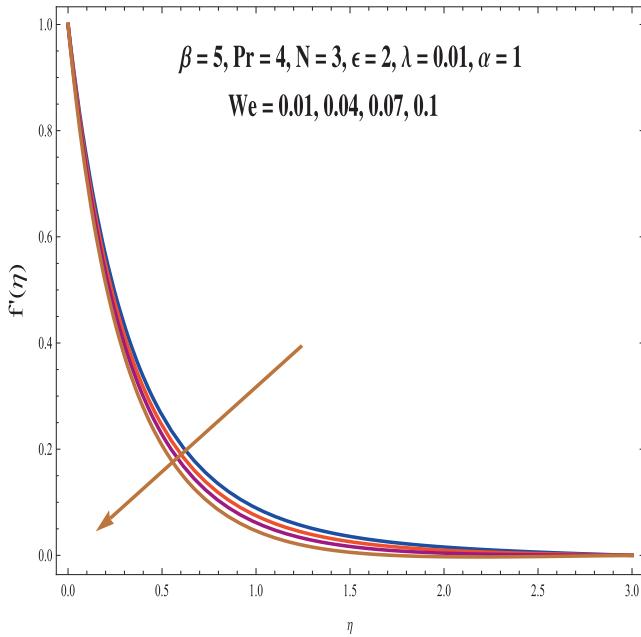
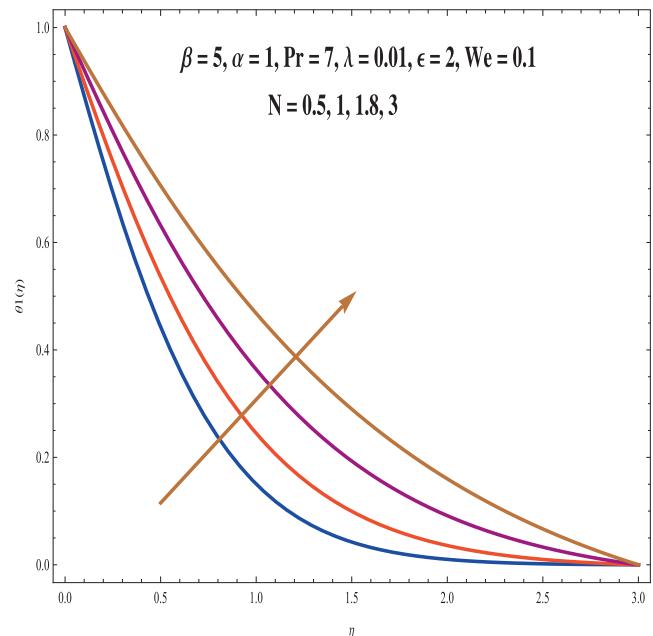
here  $u$  and  $v$  represent the velocity components,  $v$  the kinematic viscosity,  $\Gamma$  the material time variables,  $\lambda_0$  the magnetic permeability,  $\rho$  the density,  $M$  the magnetization,  $H$  the magnetic field,  $c_p$  the specific heat,  $T$  the fluid temperature,  $k$  the thermal conductivity,  $\mu_0$  the limiting viscosities at zero shear rate and  $q_r$  the component of radiative flux  $\mathbf{q}$ .

Employing Rosseeand approximation [10]:

$$q_r = -\frac{4\sigma^*}{3m^*} \frac{\partial T^4}{\partial y}, \quad (9)$$



**Fig. 1.** Systematic diagram.

**Fig. 2.**  $f'(\eta)$  via  $\beta$ .**Fig. 4.**  $\theta_1(\eta)$  via  $\beta$ .**Fig. 3.**  $f'(\eta)$  via  $We$ .**Fig. 5.**  $\theta_1(\eta)$  via  $N$ .

we have

$$T^4 \cong 4T_c^3 T - 3T_c^4. \quad (10)$$

where  $\delta^*$  represents the Stefan–Boltzmann constant and  $m^*$  the mean absorption coefficient.

Expression of magnetic scalar potential is

$$\Phi = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \frac{x}{x^2 + (y+a)^2}. \quad (11)$$

The components of scalar potential of magnetic dipole are

$$H_x = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \frac{x^2 - (y+a)^2}{[x^2 + (y+a)^2]^2}, \quad (12)$$

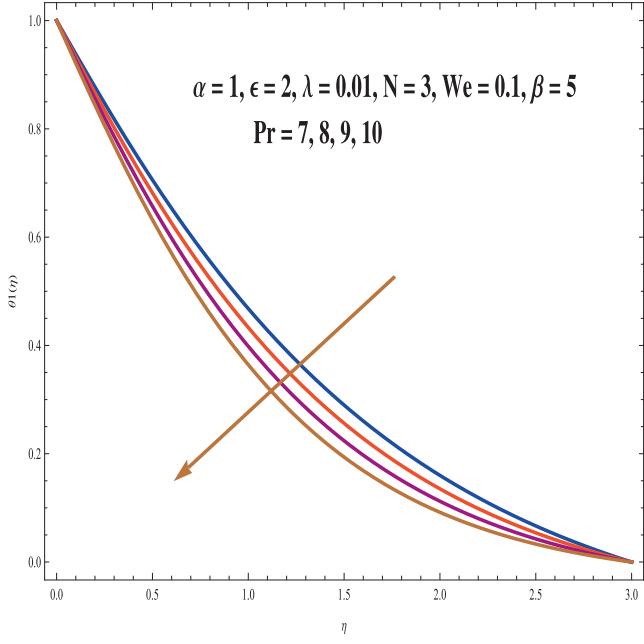
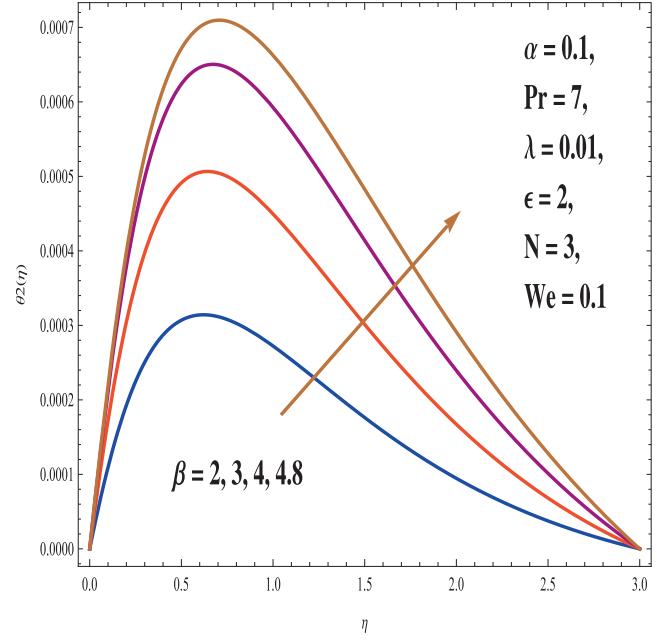
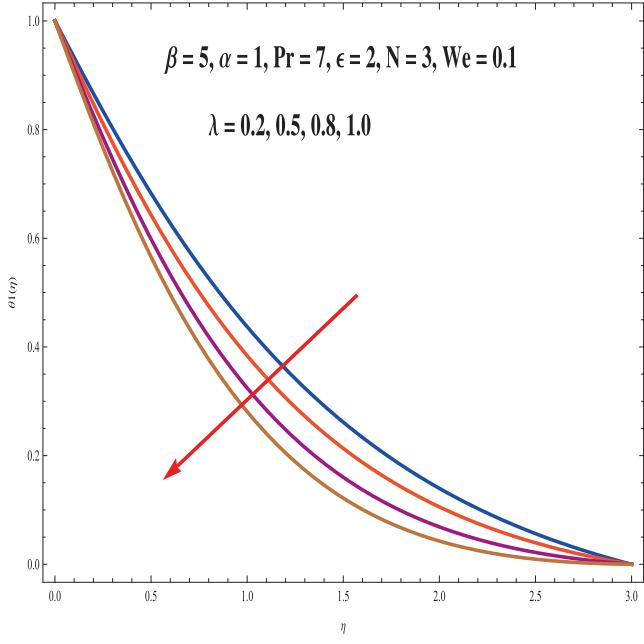
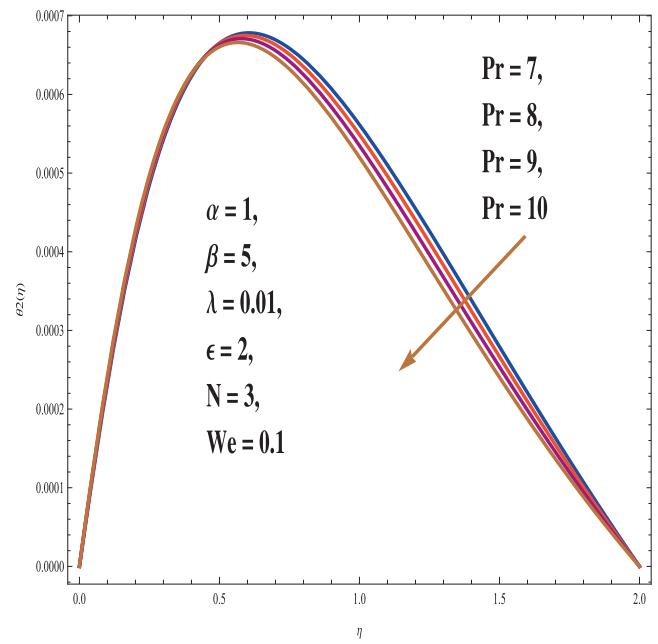
$$H_y = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y} = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \frac{2x(y+a)}{[x^2 + (y+a)^2]^2}. \quad (13)$$

Magnitude of magnetic field  $\mathbf{H}$  is

$$H = \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (14)$$

From Eqs. (13) and (14) we can write

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = -\frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \frac{2x}{(y+a)^4}, \quad (15)$$

Fig. 6.  $\theta_1(\eta)$  via  $Pr$ .Fig. 8.  $\theta_2(\eta)$  via  $\beta$ .Fig. 7.  $\theta_1(\eta)$  via  $\lambda$ .Fig. 9.  $\theta_2(\eta)$  via  $Pr$ .

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \left\{ -\frac{2}{(y+a)^3} + \frac{4x^2}{(y+a)^5} \right\}. \quad (16)$$

The variation of magnetization ( $M$ ) through temperature is

$$M = K(T_c - T), \quad (17)$$

in which  $K$  indicates pyromagnetic coefficient constant.

#### Transformation procedure

We consider [13]:

$$\psi(\xi, \eta) = \frac{\mu_0}{\rho} \xi f(\eta), \quad (18)$$

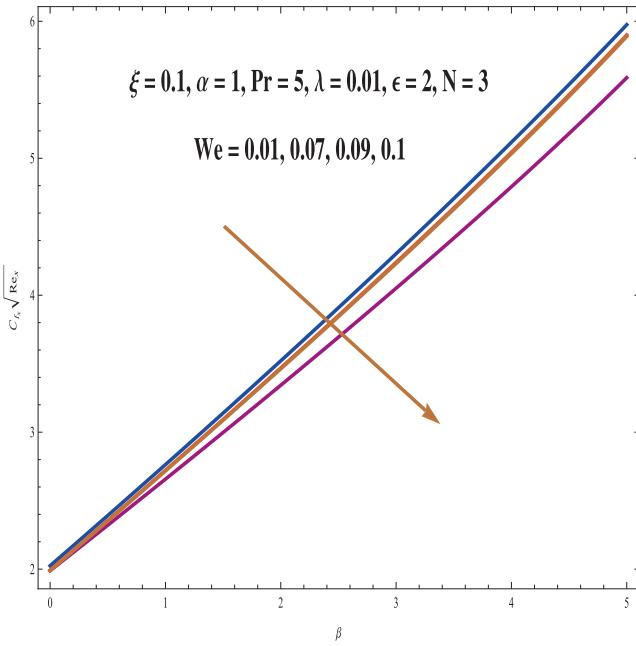
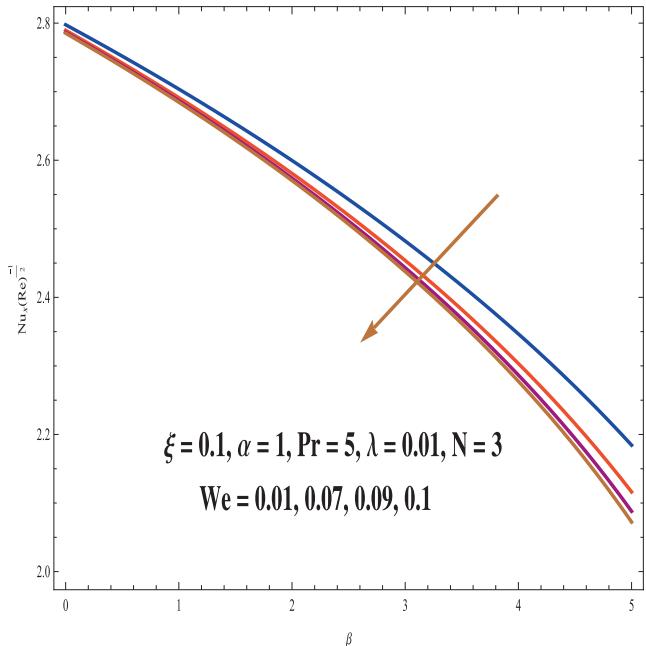
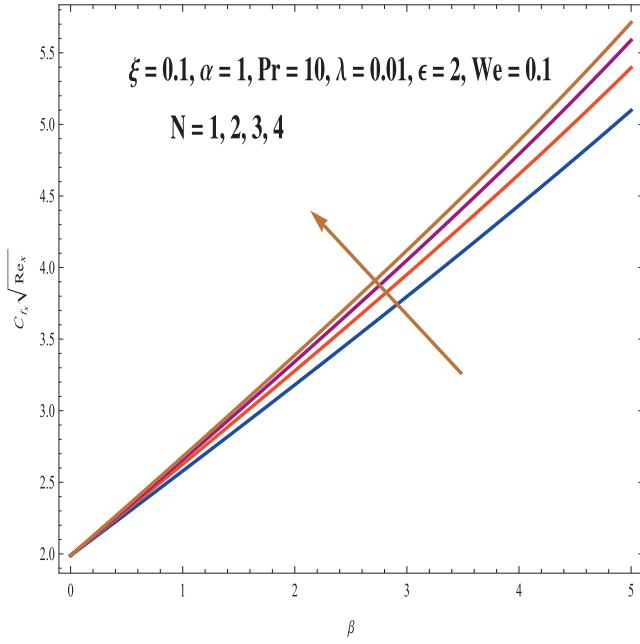
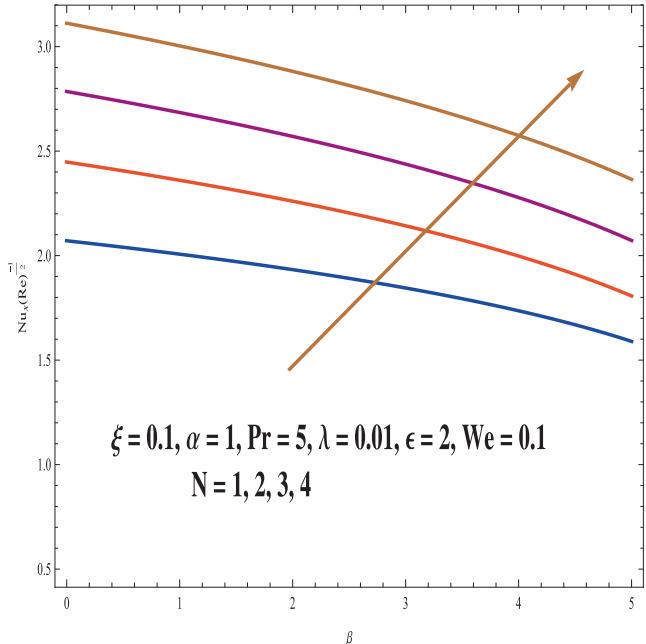
$$\theta(\xi, \eta) = \frac{T_c - T}{T_c - T_w} = \theta_1(\eta) + \xi^2 \theta_2(\eta), \quad (19)$$

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{c\rho}{\mu_0}} y, \quad \xi = \sqrt{\frac{c\rho}{\mu_0}} x, \quad (20)$$

with velocity components ( $u, v$ ) and stream function ( $\psi$ ) as

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = c x f'(\eta), \quad (21)$$

$$v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = -\sqrt{\frac{c\mu_0}{\rho}} f(\eta). \quad (22)$$

**Fig. 10.** Effects of  $\beta$  and  $We$  on  $C_{fx}$ .**Fig. 12.** Effects of  $\beta$  and  $We$  on  $Nu_x$ .**Fig. 11.** Effects of  $\beta$  and  $N$  on  $C_{fx}$ .**Fig. 13.** Effects of  $\beta$  and  $N$  on  $Nu_x$ .

Note that law of conservation is automatically verified and the remaining equations takes the form

$$f''' + ff'' - (f')^2 - \frac{2\beta\theta_1}{(\eta + \alpha)^4} + We f'' f''' = 0, \quad (23)$$

$$(1+N)\theta_1'' + Pr\theta_1' + 2\lambda\beta(\theta_1 - \epsilon) \frac{f}{(\eta + \alpha)^3} = 0, \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1+N)\theta_2'' + Pr(\theta_2' f - 2f'\theta_2) + 2\lambda\beta \frac{\theta_2 f}{(\eta + \alpha)^3} \\ - \lambda\beta(\theta_1 - \epsilon) \left[ \frac{2f'}{(\eta + \alpha)^4} + \frac{4f}{(\eta + \alpha)^5} \right] - \lambda \left[ (f'')^2 + \frac{We}{2} (f'')^3 \right] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

$$f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1, \theta_1(0) = 1, \theta_2(0) = 0,$$

$$f'|_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0, \theta_1|_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0, \theta_2|_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0. \quad (26)$$

Here  $Pr(-\frac{\mu_0 c_p}{k})$  denotes the Prandtl number,  $\beta \left( = \frac{\gamma \rho \lambda_0}{2\pi \mu_0^2} K(T_c - T_w) \right)$  the ferrohydrodynamic interaction,  $N \left( = \frac{16\sigma^* T_c^3}{3km^4} \right)$  the thermal radiation parameter,  $\epsilon \left( = \frac{T_c}{T_c - T_w} \right)$  the curie temperature,  $\alpha \left( = a\sqrt{\frac{c_p}{\mu_0}} \right)$  the dimensionless distance,  $We \left( = 2x\Gamma\sqrt{\frac{c}{v}} \right)$  the Weissenberg number and  $\lambda \left( = \frac{c\mu_0^2}{\rho k(T_c - T_w)} \right)$  the Eckert number. Note that the combination of  $\lambda$  and  $Re_x$  as the

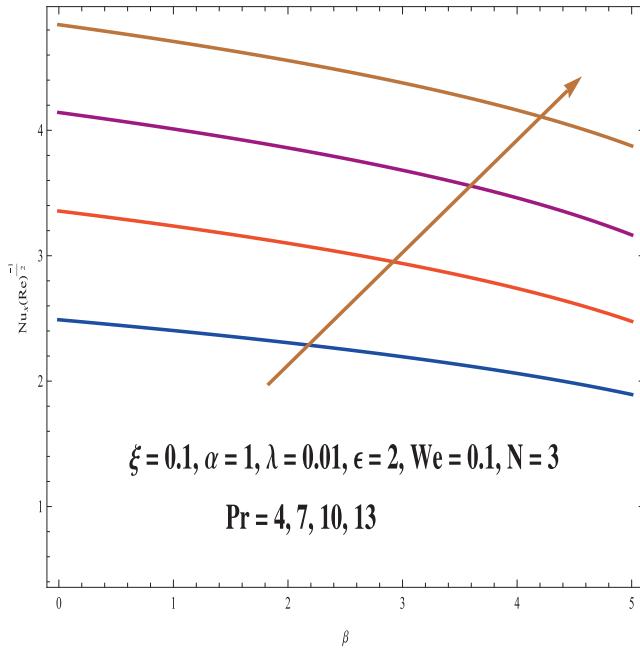


Fig. 14. Effects of  $\beta$  and  $Pr$  on  $Nu_x$ .

Brinkman number (combination of Eckert number and Prandtl number). This,  $\lambda$  is a measure of the relative importance of the viscous dissipation.

Mathematical expression for shear stress ( $\tau_w$ ) and heat flux  $q_w$  are

$$\tau_w = \tau_{yx}|_{y=0} = cx\mu_0 \sqrt{\frac{c\rho}{\mu_0}} \left[ f''(0) + \frac{We}{2} \{f''(0)\}^2 \right], \quad (27)$$

$$q_w = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}|_{y=0} + q_r|_{y=0} \\ = k(1+N)(T_c - T_w) \sqrt{\frac{c\rho}{\mu}} [\theta'_1(0) + \xi^2 \theta'_2(0)]. \quad (28)$$

The dimensionless forms of ( $C_{fx}$ ) and ( $Nu_x$ ) are

$$C_{fx} = \frac{-2\tau_w}{\rho u^2} = -2 \left[ f''(0) + \frac{We}{2} \{f''(0)\}^2 \right] (Re_x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (29)$$

$$Nu_x = \frac{xq_w}{-k(T_c - T_w)}|_{y=0} = -(1+N)[\theta'_1(0) + \xi^2 \theta'_2(0)] \sqrt{Re_x}, \quad (30)$$

where  $Re_x = \left(\frac{\rho cx^2}{\mu_0}\right)$  signifies the local Reynold number,  $C_{fx}$  the skin fraction and  $Nu_x$  the heat transfer rate.

## Numerical solution and discussion

The nonlinear systems (24)–(26) subject to conditions (27) are calculated numerically by Built-in-Shooting method. Further the characteristics of Prandtl number ( $Pr$ ), ferromagnetic interaction ( $\beta$ ), curie temperature ( $\epsilon$ ), viscous dissipation ( $\lambda$ ), Weissenberg number ( $We$ ) and thermal radiation ( $N$ ) on temperature ( $\theta_1(\eta), \theta_2(\eta)$ ), velocity ( $f'(\eta)$ ), skin fraction ( $\{f''(0) + \frac{We}{2} \{f''(0)\}^2\} (Re_x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ) and Nusselt number ( $-(1+N)\{\theta'_1(0) + \xi^2 \theta'_2(0)\}(Re_x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ) are represented in this section through Figs. 2–14. Figs. 2, 3 give the impacts of ( $We$ ) and ( $\beta$ ) on  $f'(\eta)$ . Here  $f'(\eta)$  has decreasing behavior for larger ( $\beta$ ). Physically with the enhancement of  $\beta$  the resistive force called Lorentz force increases and thus velocity field decays. Fig. 3 demonstrates the variation of Weissenberg number ( $We$ ) on

$f'(\eta)$ . Clearly  $f'(\eta)$  reduces for higher ( $We$ ). It is due to the fact that relaxation time of material enhances which gives more resistance to liquid flow. Therefore velocity field and layer thickness decay. Fig. 4 is drawn to investigate the feature of ( $\beta$ ) on temperature  $\theta_1(\eta)$ . Here  $\theta_1(\eta)$  enhances for larger ( $\beta$ ). Influence of radiation ( $N$ ) on  $\theta_1(\eta)$  is addressed through Fig. 5. A rise in temperature curves with larger thickness of boundary layer is established by increasing ( $N$ ). Physically mean absorption coefficient decays for higher estimation of ( $N$ ) and diffusion flux occurs because of temperature gradient which consequently increments  $\theta_1(\eta)$ . The curves of  $\theta_1(\eta)$  for different estimations of ( $Pr$ ) are presented in Fig. 6. These curves clearly indicate that temperature of liquid decreases for higher ( $Pr$ ). Also thickness of boundary layer squeezed near to wall. Since,  $Pr$  and thermal diffusivity are in inverse relationship. That is why an increment in ( $Pr$ ) generates lower thermal diffusivity due to which a decrease in the curves of ( $Pr$ ) is noticed. Fig. 7 describes the feature of ( $\lambda$ ) on  $\theta_1(\eta)$ . Here  $\theta_1(\eta)$  is decreasing function of ( $\lambda$ ). Physically thermal conductivity of liquid decays for larger ( $\lambda$ ) and thus  $\theta_1(\eta)$  decreases. Figs. 8 and 9 describe the characteristics of  $\beta$  and  $Pr$  on  $\theta_2(\eta)$ . Here  $\theta_2(\eta)$  enhances for larger ( $\beta$ ) while it decays for different estimation of ( $Pr$ ). In fact the amount of resistive force enhances for ( $\beta$ ). Therefore temperature curves enhances (see Fig. 8).

Figs. 10 and 11 demonstrate the feature of ( $C_{fx} R_{ex}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ) against ( $\beta$ ), ( $We$ ) and ( $N$ ). These graphs show that the surface drag force is enhanced with  $\beta$ . By increasing Weissenberg number surface drag force reduces (see Fig. 10). Fig. 11 shows that surface drag force enhances with thermal radiation ( $N$ ). Influence of ferromagnetic parameter ( $\beta$ ), Weissenberg number ( $We$ ), thermal radiation ( $N$ ) and Prandtl number ( $Pr$ ) on heat transfer rate are described in Figs. 12–14. From these graphs it is clear that heat transfer rate reduces with ( $\beta$ ). Fig. 12 shows that Weissenberg number reduces the heat transfer rate. Figs. 13 and 14 demonstrate that heat transfer rate enhances with thermal radiation and Prandtl number.

## Conclusions

The important observations are:

- $f'(\eta)$  is reduced for larger estimations of ( $\beta$ ) and ( $We$ ).
- Temperature field enhances for larger ( $N$ ) and ( $\beta$ ) however it decays for ( $Pr$ ) and ( $\lambda$ ).
- Temperature gradient decays for ( $We$ ) while it enhances by ( $Pr$ ) and ( $N$ ).
- Velocity gradient enhances subject to larger radiation ( $N$ ) and decays for ( $We$ ).

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