



# HEAT TRANSFER BOUNDARY LAYER FLOW OF JEFFREY'S FLUID FROM A VERTICAL ISOTHERMAL CONE IN THE PRESENCE OF MICRO-POLAR

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## ABSTRACT

In this article, the combined theoretical and computational study of the magneto hydrodynamic heat transfer in an electro-conductive polymer on the external surface of a vertical truncated cone under radial magnetic field is presented. Thermal and velocity (hydrodynamic) slip are considered at the vertical truncated cone surface via modified boundary conditions. The Williamson viscoelastic model is employed which is representative of certain industrial polymers. The governing partial differential equations (PDEs) are transformed into highly nonlinear, coupled, multi-degree non-similar partial differential equations consisting of the momentum and energy equations via appropriate non-similarity transformations. These transformed conservation equations are solved subject to appropriate boundary conditions with a second order accurate finite difference method of the implicit type. Validation of the numerical solutions is achieved via benchmarking with earlier published results. The influence of Williamson viscoelastic fluid parameter, magnetic body force parameter, Thermal and velocity (hydrodynamic) slip parameters, stream wise variable and Prandtl number on thermos-fluid characteristics are studied graphically. The model is relevant to the simulation of magnetic polymer materials processing.

**Keywords:** Natural convection, Boundary layer flow, Jeffrey fluid, Micropolar fluid, Keller-Box method, vertical isothermal cone.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Natural convection possesses immense uses for researchers with its presence in both nature and engineering applications. Convection cells appear in nature, from the thermals that rise above the sun light-warmed land or water, which is fundamental to all weather systems. This can also be observed in the rising plume of hot-air from fire, ocean currents and sea-wind formation. Natural convection heat-transfer is widely employed in the areas of engineering such as: Cooling of commercial high-voltage electrical power transformers, Heating of houses by electrical baseboard heaters, Heat-loss from steam pipe lines in power plants and Heat-gain in refrigerant pipelines in air conditioning applications. It is also employed in the Cooling of reactor cores in nuclear power plants, although the coolant is often driven by pumps, resulting in more efficient heat transfer by forced convection, Refrigeration of electronic devices (chips, transistors) by finned heat sinks, although a fan is often used to segregate the natural convection with forced convection. In other studies, like fluid dynamics, non-Newtonian fluids play a very important role. In explaining the rheological properties of fluids, it may be said that the fluid thickness changes significantly with temperature.

Many authors have examined the vertical cone with natural convection heat transforms, such as Amanulla et al. (2017) studied the multiple slip effects on heat transfer in a Jeffrey fluid over an inclined vertical plate. Aurangzaib et al. (2016) employed the partial slip effect on mixed convection flow towards a permeable shrinking sheet with stagnation point. Satya Narayana and Venkateswarlu (2016) presented the MHD micropolar fluid past a vertical porous plate in the presence of thermal radiation. Siddiqi et al. (2017) investigated the MHD micropolar fluid flow over shrinking sheet with radiation. Hayat et al. (2014) studied the MHD stagnation point flow of Jeffrey's fluid flow in

an isothermal cone due to convective boundary conditions. Rao et al. (2015) explained the non-isothermal wedge with flow of Jeffrey's fluid. Nasir et al. (2016) utilized the presence of the heat source with heat transfer of a couple stress fluids over an oscillator-stretching sheet. Sadia Siddiqi et al. (2017) reported the presence of thermal radiation with periodic MHD natural convection boundary layer problem obtained by the micro-polar fluid. Ram Reddy and Pradeepa (2015) presented the convective boundary condition are represented by a free convective flow along a permeable vertical plate of a micro-polar fluid. Ashmawy (2015) analyzed fully developed by the micro-polar with natural convection. Dulal Pala and Gopinath Mandal (2017) studied the micropolar with MHD effects of stretching sheet of nanofluids. Bourantas and Loukopoulos (2014) explained the MHD field in an inclined rectangular with transient, laminar and natural convection flow of a micropolar Nano fluid. Asia et al. (2016) explained the electrically showing micropolar fluid in a porous channel with contracting wall under the exploit of MHD. Hari et al. (2015) investigated the magnetic, material and viscosity parameters on natural convective flow along vertical walls in case of both asymmetric and symmetric cooling and heating of the walls. Rashad et al. (2014) have obtained a mixed convection in two - dimensional boundary layer flow of a micropolar fluid in a vertical plane with the effect of chemical reaction coupled with heat and mass transfer. Ahmad et al. (2012) investigated the laminar film flow of a micro-polar fluid with boundary layer of micropolar fluid. Nagendra et al. (2008) investigated Peristaltic motion of a power-law fluid in an asymmetric vertical channel. Isaac Lare Animasaun (2016) analyzed the horizontal linearly stretchable melting surface with mixed convection of micropolar fluid. Aparna et al. (2017) explained the flow of fluid with slow rotation in permeable sphere in micropolar fluid. Mishra et al. (2015) investigated the concentration of a double stratified micro-polar fluid in the presence of a magnetic field

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with electrically conducting incompressible viscous fluid on a vertical plate. Naveed et al. (2016) studied radiation effect with curved stretching sheet of boundary layer flow of a viscous fluid. Srinivasa Charya and Mendu Upendar (2013) employed double stratified micropolar fluid with heat and mass transfer characteristics of the free convection on a vertical plane with a variable wall temperature and concentration. Ching – yang Cheng (2008) examined the micropolar fluids about the sphere with constant wall temperature and concentration by the natural convection of heat and mass transfer. Rawat et al. (2016) analyzed the non-darcy porous medium with nonlinear stretching sheet reacting micropolar fluid. Anwar Beg et al. (2011) studied the Isothermal sphere with micropolar regime with Soret/Dufour effects. Abid Hussanan et al. (2017) explained the micropolar fluid with nano particles in water and engine oil. Aurangzaib and Sharidan Shafie (2013) examined Unsteady MHD Stagnation-Point Flow with Heat and Mass Transfer in a Micropolar Fluid in the Presence of Thermophoresis and Suction/Injection. Vanita and Anand Kumar (2016) investigated natural convection vertical cone with effect of magnetic parameter. Ching-Yang Cheng (2008) examined the micro-polar fluids with natural convection heat transfer of a vertical truncated cone. Chang (2008) investigated the micro-polar fluid along a slender hollow cylinder in the wall conduction effect with heat transfer. Cheng (2008) examined a horizontal elliptical cylinder in a Newtonian fluid with constant surface heat flux by the temperature dependent viscosity effects on the natural convection. Molla et al. (2009) studied the natural convection flow from a horizontal cylinder with uniform heat flux in the presence of heat generation. Baag et al. (2017) studied the micropolar fluid past a vertical flat plate with mixed convection stagnation point flow. Aurangzaib et al. (2016) analysis the Micropolar fluid flow and heat transfer over an exponentially permeable shrinking sheet. Amanulla et al. (2017) discussed thermal and momentum slip effects on hydromagnetic Convection flow of a Williamson fluid past a vertical truncated cone.

The objective of the present investigation intends to study heat transfer boundary layer flow of Jeffrey’s fluid from a vertical isothermal cone in the presence of micro-polar fluid with suction effect is also considered. The sequential solutions for velocity, angular velocity and temperature fields are computed by using Keller’s implicit finite difference box scheme. The effects of governing flow parameters on the flow, angular velocity, temperature, friction factor coefficient and local Nusselt number are discussed and presented here in through graphs and tables

## 2. MATHEMATICAL MODEL

Consider a 2-D study free convection boundary layer flow a of non-Newtonian Jeffrey fluid from a vertical isothermal cone in micropolar fluid regime. It is assumed that both the cone and Jeffrey fluid are maintained initially at the same temperature. Instantaneously it is raised to a temperature  $T_w > T_\infty$ , where the latter (ambient) temperature of the fluid is sustained constant. The basis of the coordinate system is placed at the vertex of the cone, where the x-coordinate is measured along the slant surface of the cone from the origin and the y -coordinate is directed normal to the surface cone (See Fig.1).  $T_w > T_\infty$  i.e. the ambient temperature of the fluid which remains unchanged.

$$T = -pI + S, \quad \text{where } S = \frac{\mu}{1 + \lambda} (\dot{\gamma} + \lambda_1 \ddot{\gamma}) \quad (1)$$

Where a dot above quantity denotes the material time derivative,  $P$  is pressure,  $I$  is the identity tensor,  $\mu$  is dynamic viscosity,  $\lambda$  is the ratio of relaxation to retardation times,  $\lambda_1$  is the retardation time and  $\dot{\gamma}$  is the shear rate.

The Jeffrey’s model deals a formulation for simulating elastic effects arising in non-Newtonian flows. The shear stress rate and gradient of shear stress rate are defined as follows

$$\dot{\gamma} = \nabla V + (\nabla V)^T \quad (2)$$

$$\ddot{\gamma} = \frac{d}{dt}(\dot{\gamma}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\dot{\gamma}) + (V \cdot \nabla) \dot{\gamma} \quad (3)$$

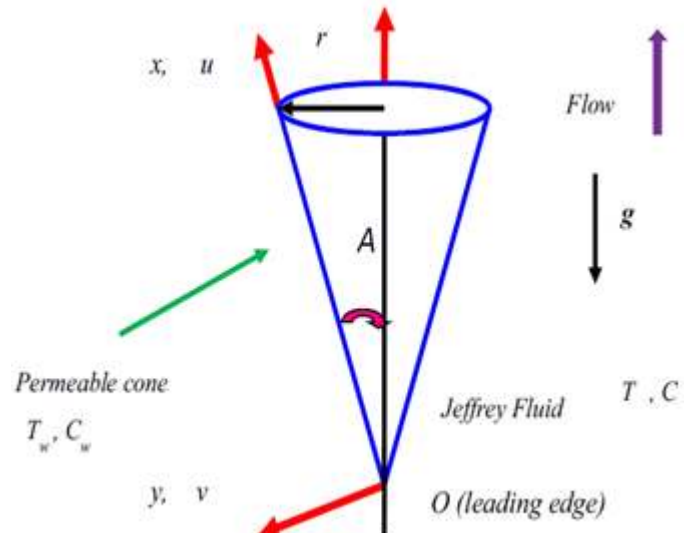


Fig. 1 Physical model and coordinate system

The Jeffrey’s model provides an elegant formulation for simulating retardation and relaxation effects arising in polymer flows. The outline of the appropriate terms in a flow model is considered next. The resulting boundary value problem is found to be well-posed and permits an excellent mechanism for the assessment of rheological characteristics of the flow behaviour.

We assume that the Boussinesq and boundary layer approximations, the governing equations for the conservation of mass, momentum, microrotation and energy can be written in two-dimensional Cartesian coordinates (x, y) which are relevant to the problem are as follows.

$$\frac{\partial(ru)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(rv)}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\rho(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}) = (\mu + k) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \rho g \beta (T - T_\infty) \cos A + k \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} + \frac{v}{1 + \lambda} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \lambda_1 \left( u \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y^2} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + v \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial y^3} \right) \right\} \quad (5)$$

$$\rho_j \left( u \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial N}{\partial y} \right) = \gamma^* \frac{\partial^2 N}{\partial y^2} - k \left( 2N + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \quad (7)$$

Here  $u$  and  $v$  are the velocity components in the x- and y- directions respectively,  $\nu$ -the kinematic viscosity of the electrically conducting fluid.

The physically appropriate boundary conditions are as follows

$$u = 0 \quad v = -V_w \quad N = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad T = T_w \quad \text{at } y = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$u \rightarrow 0 \quad v \rightarrow 0 \quad N \rightarrow 0 \quad T \rightarrow T_\infty \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow \infty$$

We introduce a stream function  $\psi$  is defined by the Cauchy-Riemann equations

$$ru = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad rv = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad (9)$$

We introduce the non-dimensional variables

$$\xi = \frac{\rho V_\infty x}{\mu} (Gr)^{\frac{1}{4}}, \eta = \frac{y}{x} (Gr)^{\frac{1}{4}}, g = \frac{\rho x^2 N}{\mu} \quad (10)$$

$$\theta(\xi, \eta) = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty}, \psi = \frac{\nu r Gr^{\frac{1}{4}} (f(\xi, \eta) + 0.5\xi)}{\rho}$$

Substituting Eqn. (10) into the Eqns. (5)–(7), we obtain the following equations as

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left\{ \frac{4}{1+\lambda} + 4(1+R) \right\} f''' + 7ff'' + 4\theta + 4\xi f'' + 4Rg' \\ & - 2(f')^2 - \frac{De}{1+\lambda} \{ 2ff''' - (f'')^2 + 7ff^{iv} + 4\xi f^{iv} \} \\ & = \xi \left\{ \begin{aligned} & f' \frac{\partial f'}{\partial \xi} - f'' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \\ & - \frac{De}{1+\lambda} \left( f' \frac{\partial f''}{\partial \xi} - f''' \frac{\partial f'}{\partial \xi} + f'' \frac{\partial f''}{\partial \xi} - f^{iv} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (11) \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 4 \left( 1 + \frac{R}{2} \right) g'' - 4RB\xi^2 (2g + f'') \\ & + 7fg' - f'g + 4\xi g' = \xi \left[ f' \frac{\partial g}{\partial \xi} - g' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right] \quad (12) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4}{Pr} \theta'' + 7f\theta' + 4\xi\theta' = \xi \left[ f' \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \xi} - \theta' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right] \quad (13)$$

Then the corresponding dimensionless boundary conditions becomes

$$\text{At } \eta = 0, f = 0 = f', g = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}, \theta = 1$$

$$\text{As } \eta \rightarrow \infty, f' \rightarrow 0, f'' \rightarrow 0, g \rightarrow 0, \theta \rightarrow 0 \quad (14)$$

The skin-friction coefficient and the local Nusselt number (heat transfer rate) can be defined using the transformations described above with the following expressions:

$$\frac{1}{2} Gr_x^{-1/4} C_f = (2 + R/2) \xi f''(\xi, 0) + Rg \quad (15)$$

$$Gr_x^{-1/4} Nu = -\theta'(\xi, 0) \quad (16)$$

### 3. NUMERICAL SOLUTION WITH KELLER BOX IMPLICIT METHOD

The efficient Keller-box implicit difference method is implemented to solve the non-linear boundary layer eqns. (11) – (13) subject to the boundary conditions (14). This method originally developed for low speed aerodynamic boundary layers by Keller has been employed in a diverse range of nonlinear MHD and coupled heat transfer problems. It includes pressure work effect on natural convection flow from a vertical circular cone with suction and non-uniform surface temperature. Very few of these papers, It has been used recently in

polymeric flow dynamics by Amanulla et al. (2017) for viscoelastic models. However, have provided guidance for researchers as to customization of the Keller-Box scheme to heat transfer problems.

The fundamental phases intrinsic to the Keller–Box scheme are

- Reduction of the Nth order partial differential equation system of N first order equations
- Finite Difference Discretization
- Quasilinearization of Non-Linear Keller algebraic Equations
- Block-tridiagonal elimination of Linear Keller algebraic Equations

#### Phase a: Reduction of the nth order partial differential equation system to N first order equations

New variables are introduced to Eqns. (11)–(13) subject to the boundary conditions (14) are first written as a system of first order equations. For this purpose, we reset Eqns. (11) - (13) as a set of simultaneous equations by introducing the new variables

$$f' = u, u' = v, v' = q, q' = f''', g' = p, s' = t \quad (17)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left\{ \frac{4}{1+\lambda} + 4(1+R) \right\} v' + 7fv + 4RP - 2u^2 + 4s + 4\xi v \\ & - A \{ 2uq - v^2 + 7fq' + 4\xi q' \} = \xi \left[ \left[ u \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} - v \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right] \right] \quad (18) \\ & - \xi \left[ A \left( u \frac{\partial q}{\partial \xi} - q \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial \xi} - q' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 4 \left( 1 + \frac{R}{2} \right) p' - 4RB\xi^2 (2m + v) + 7fp - um + 4\xi p \\ & = \left( u \frac{\partial m}{\partial \xi} - p \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right) \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{4}{Pr} t' + 7ft + 4\xi t = \xi \left\{ u \frac{\partial s}{\partial \xi} - t \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right\} \quad (20)$$

Where primes denote differentiation  $\eta$ . In terms of the dependent variables, the boundary conditions become:

$$f = 0, u = 0, s = 1, g = -\frac{1}{2}v \text{ at } \eta = 0 \quad (21)$$

$$u \rightarrow 0, v \rightarrow 0, s \rightarrow 0, g \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \eta \rightarrow \infty$$

#### Phase b: Finite difference discretization of reduced boundary layer equations

A two-dimensional computational grid (mesh) is imposed on the  $\xi$ - $\eta$  plane as sketched in Fig.2. The stepping process is defined by:

$$\eta_0 = 0, \eta_j = \eta_{j-1} + h_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, J, \eta_J \equiv \eta_\infty \quad (22)$$

$$\xi^0 = 0, \xi^n = \xi^{n-1} + k_n, n = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (23)$$

Where  $k_n$  and  $h_j$  denote the step distances in the  $\xi$  (*stream wise*) and  $\eta$  (*span wise*) directions respectively

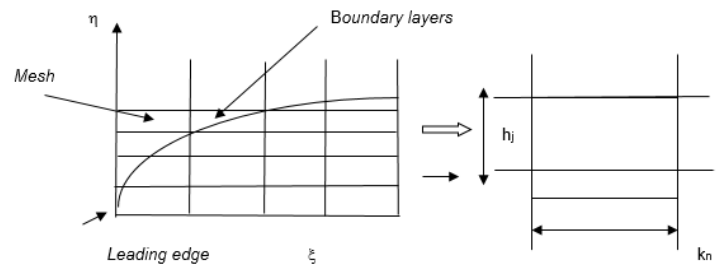


Fig. 2 Keller Box element and boundary layer mesh

If  $g_j^n$  denotes the value of any variable at  $(\eta_j, \xi^n)$ , then the variables and derivatives of Equations. (17) – (20) at  $(\eta_{j-1/2}, \xi^{n-1/2})$  are replaced by

$$g_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{4} (g_j^n + g_{j-1}^n + g_j^{n-1} + g_{j-1}^{n-1}) \quad (24)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial \eta}\right)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2h_j}(g_j^n - g_{j-1}^n + g_j^{n-1} - g_{j-1}^{n-1}) \quad (25)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial \xi}\right)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2k^n}(g_j^n - g_{j-1}^n + g_j^{n-1} - g_{j-1}^{n-1}) \quad (26)$$

We now state the finite-difference approximation of Eqns. (17)–(20) for the mid-point  $(\eta_{j-1/2}, \xi^n)$ , below

$$h_j^{-1}(f_j^n - f_{j-1}^n) = u_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (27)$$

$$h_j^{-1}(u_j^n - u_{j-1}^n) = v_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (28)$$

$$h_j^{-1}(v_j^n - v_{j-1}^n) = q_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (29)$$

$$h_j^{-1}(g_j^n - g_{j-1}^n) = p_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (30)$$

$$h_j^{-1}(\theta_j^n - \theta_{j-1}^n) = t_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (31)$$

$$\left\{\frac{4}{1+\lambda} + 4(1+R)\right\} \left(\frac{v_j - v_{j-1}}{h_j}\right) - 4A\xi \left(\frac{q_j - q_{j-1}}{h_j}\right) + \frac{(\alpha+7)}{4}(f_j + f_{j-1})(v_j + v_{j-1}) + 2(s_j + s_{j-1}) + 2R(p_j + p_{j-1}) - \frac{(\alpha+2)}{4}(u_j + u_{j-1})^2 + 2\xi(v_j + v_{j-1}) + \frac{A(1+\alpha)}{4}(v_j + v_{j-1})^2 - \frac{A}{2}(u_j + u_{j-1})(q_j - q_{j-1}) - \frac{A(7+\alpha)}{2}(f_j + f_{j-1})\left(\frac{q_j - q_{j-1}}{h_j}\right) + \frac{\alpha}{2}(f_j + f_{j-1})v^{n-1} - \frac{\alpha}{2}(v_j + v_{j-1})f^{n-1} - A\alpha(u_j + u_{j-1})q^{n-1} + A\alpha(q_j + q_{j-1})u^{n-1} + A\alpha\left(\frac{q_j - q_{j-1}}{h_j}\right)f^{n-1} - \frac{A\alpha}{2}(f_j + f_{j-1})q^{n-1} = -[R_1]^{n-1}$$

$$4\left(1 + \frac{R}{2}\right)(p_j - p_{j-1}) - 4RB\xi^2 h_j(m_j + m_{j-1}) - \frac{\alpha}{2}(m_j + m_{j-1})u^{n-1} - 2RB\xi^2 h_j(v_j + v_{j-1}) + 2\xi h_j(p_j + p_{j-1}) + \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(u_j + u_{j-1})m^{n-1} + \frac{h_j(\alpha+7)}{4}(f_j + f_{j-1})(p_j + p_{j-1}) - \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(p_j + p_{j-1})p^{n-1} - \frac{h_j(\alpha+1)}{4}(u_j + u_{j-1})(m_j + m_{j-1}) = -[R_2]^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{4}{Pr}(t_j - t_{j-1}) + \frac{h_j(7+\alpha)}{4}(f_j + f_{j-1})(t_j + t_{j-1}) + 2h_j\xi(t_j + t_{j-1}) - \frac{h_j\alpha}{4}(u_j + u_{j-1})(s_j + s_{j-1}) + \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(u_j + u_{j-1})s^{n-1} - \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(t_j + t_{j-1})f^{n-1} + \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(f_j + f_{j-1})t^{n-1} - \frac{h_j\alpha}{2}(s_j + s_{j-1})u^{n-1} = -[R_3]^{n-1}$$

Where, we have used the abbreviation  $\alpha = \frac{\xi^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{k_n}$  (35)

$$(R_1)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-1} = h_j \left[ \begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{4}{1+\lambda} + 4(1+R)v' - (\alpha-7)fv + 4RP\right) \\ &+ (\alpha-2)u^2 + 4s + 4\xi v - 2A(uq) \\ &+ A(\alpha-7)fq' - 4A\xi q' - A(\alpha-1)v^2 \end{aligned} \right] \quad (36)$$

$$(R_2)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-1} = h_j \left[ \begin{aligned} &4\left(1 + \frac{R}{2}\right)p' - 8RB\xi^2 m - 4RB\xi^2 v \\ &-(\alpha-7)(fp) + (\alpha-1)(um) + 4\xi p \end{aligned} \right] \quad (37)$$

$$(R_3)_{j-\frac{1}{2}}^{n-1} = h_j \left[ \frac{4}{Pr}t' - (\alpha-7)ft + \alpha(us) + 4\xi t \right] \quad (38)$$

The boundary conditions are

$$f_0^n = u_0^n = 0, s_0^n = 1, m_0^n = 1, u_J^n = 0, v_J^n = 0, s_J^n = 0, m_J^n = 0$$

### Phase c: Quasi linearization of non-Linear Keller Algebraic Equations

If we assume  $f_j^{n-1}, u_j^{n-1}, v_j^{n-1}, s_j^{n-1}, t_j^{n-1}, q_j^{n-1}, m_j^{n-1}, p_j^{n-1}$  to be known for the solution of 8J+8 equations for the solution of 8J+8 unknowns  $f_j^n, u_j^n, v_j^n, s_j^n, t_j^n, q_j^n, m_j^n, p_j^n, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, J$ . This non-linear system of algebraic equations is linearized by means of Newton's method as explained in (Keller 1970, Subba Rao et al. 2016)

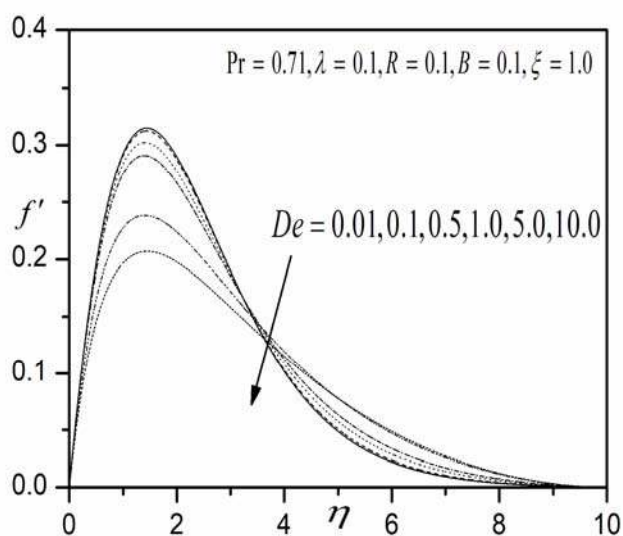
### Phase d: Block-Tridiagonal Elimination of Linear Keller Algebraic Equations

Linear system is solved using the block-elimination method, since it possess a block-tridiagonal The structure consists of variables or constants, but here an interesting feature can be observed, namely that it consists of block matrices the complete linearized system is formulated as a block matrix system, where each element in the co-efficient matrix is a matrix itself. Then, this system is solved using the efficient Keller-box method. The numerical results are strongly influenced by the number of mesh points in both directions. After some trials in the  $\eta$ -directions (radial coordinate) a larger number of mesh points are selected, whereas in the  $\xi$ -directions (tangential coordinate) significantly less mesh points are necessary. The numerical algorithm is executed in MATLAB on a PC. The method demonstrates excellent stability, convergence and consistency, as elaborated by Keller (1970). coupled boundary layer equations in a  $(\xi, \eta)$  coordinate system remain strongly nonlinear. A numerical method, the Keller-Box implicit difference method, is therefore deployed to solve the boundary value problem defined by Ens. (14) - (15) with boundary conditions (16). This technique has been described succinctly in Cebeci and Bradshaw (1984) and Keller (1970). It has been used recently in polymeric flow dynamics by Subba Rao et al. (2017) and Amanulla et al. (2017) for viscoelastic models. The key stages involved are as follows:

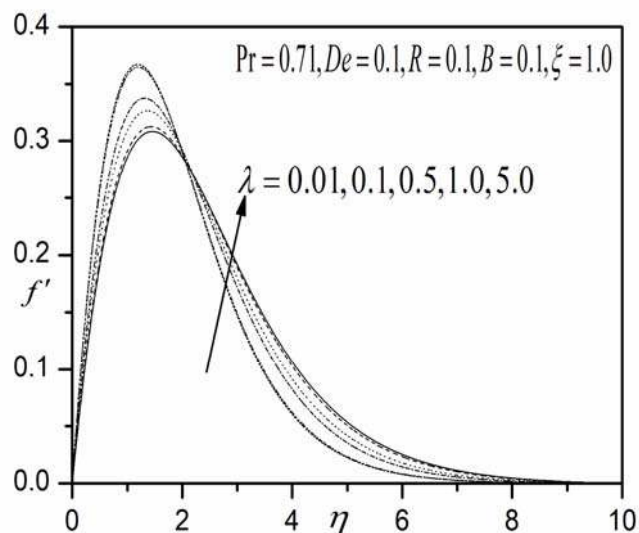
- Reduction of the Nth order partial differential equation system to N first order equations
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## 4. NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

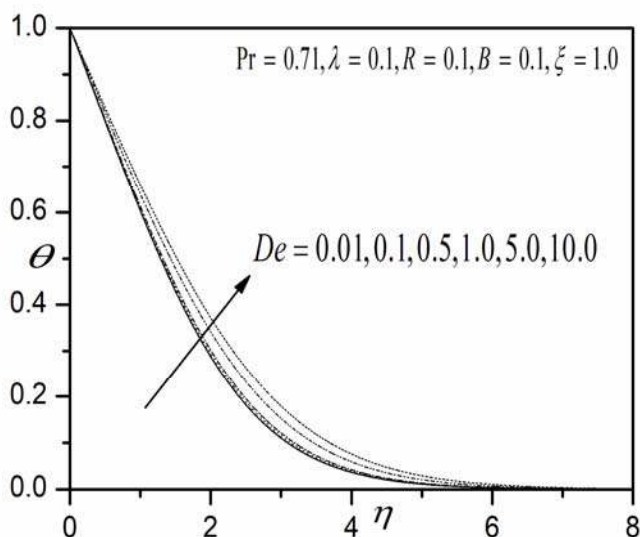
Comprehensive solutions have been obtained and are presented in **Table 1–7** and **Figs.3–10**. The numerical problem comprises of two independent variables  $(\xi, \eta)$ , three dependent fluid dynamic variables  $(f, \theta, \phi)$  and six thermo-physical and body force control parameter values are prescribed.



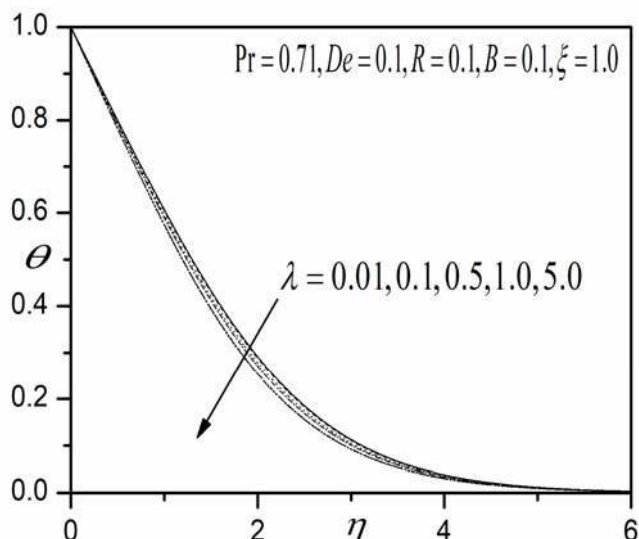
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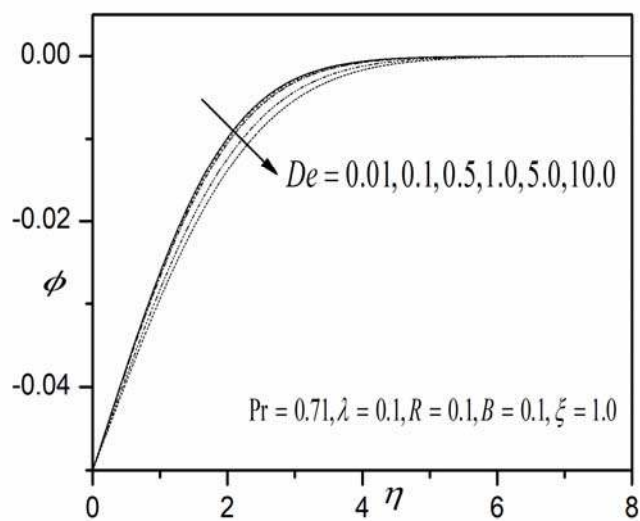
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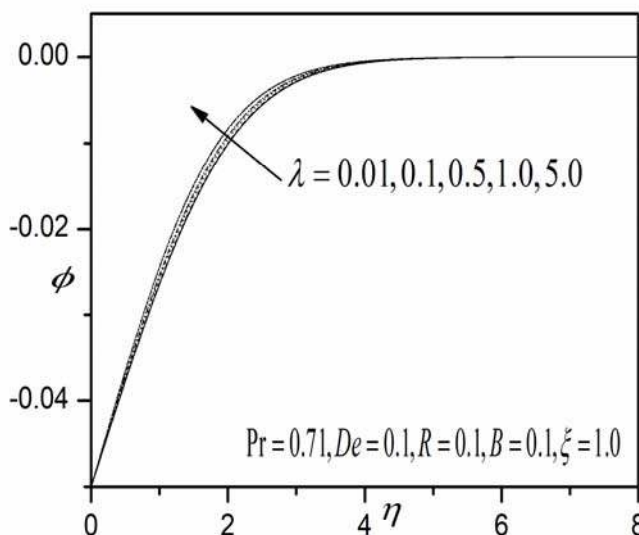
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(b)



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**Fig. 3** Influence of  $De$  on (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.

**Fig. 4** Influence of  $\lambda$  on the (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.



Figs. 3(a) to 3(c), illustrate the influence of  $De$  on velocity ( $f'$ ), temperature ( $\theta$ ) and angular velocity ( $\phi$ ). Dimensionless velocity component (fig.3) is considerably reduced with increasing  $De$  values.  $De$  arises in connection with some higher order derivatives in the momentum boundary layer equation (11),

$$\text{i.e., } -\frac{De}{1+\lambda} \left( 2ff''' - (f'')^2 + 7ff'' + 4\xi f'' \right) \text{ and also } \xi \left( -\frac{De}{1+\lambda} \left( f' \frac{\partial f''}{\partial \xi} - f'' \frac{\partial f'}{\partial \xi} + f'' \frac{\partial f''}{\partial \xi} - f'' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right) \right).$$

This parameter therefore exerts a strong influence on shearing characteristics of the polymer flow. The polymer behaves as a simple viscous fluid, as elaborated by Beg and Makinde (2011). For polymers, i.e., for non-Newtonian fluids, higher  $De$  values correspond to the polymer becoming highly oriented in one direction and stretched. For very high  $De$  value, the fluid movement is too fast for elastic forces to relax and the material acts as a purely elastic fluid. In fig. 3(c) with increasing  $De$  values, there is a substantial decrease in angular velocity.

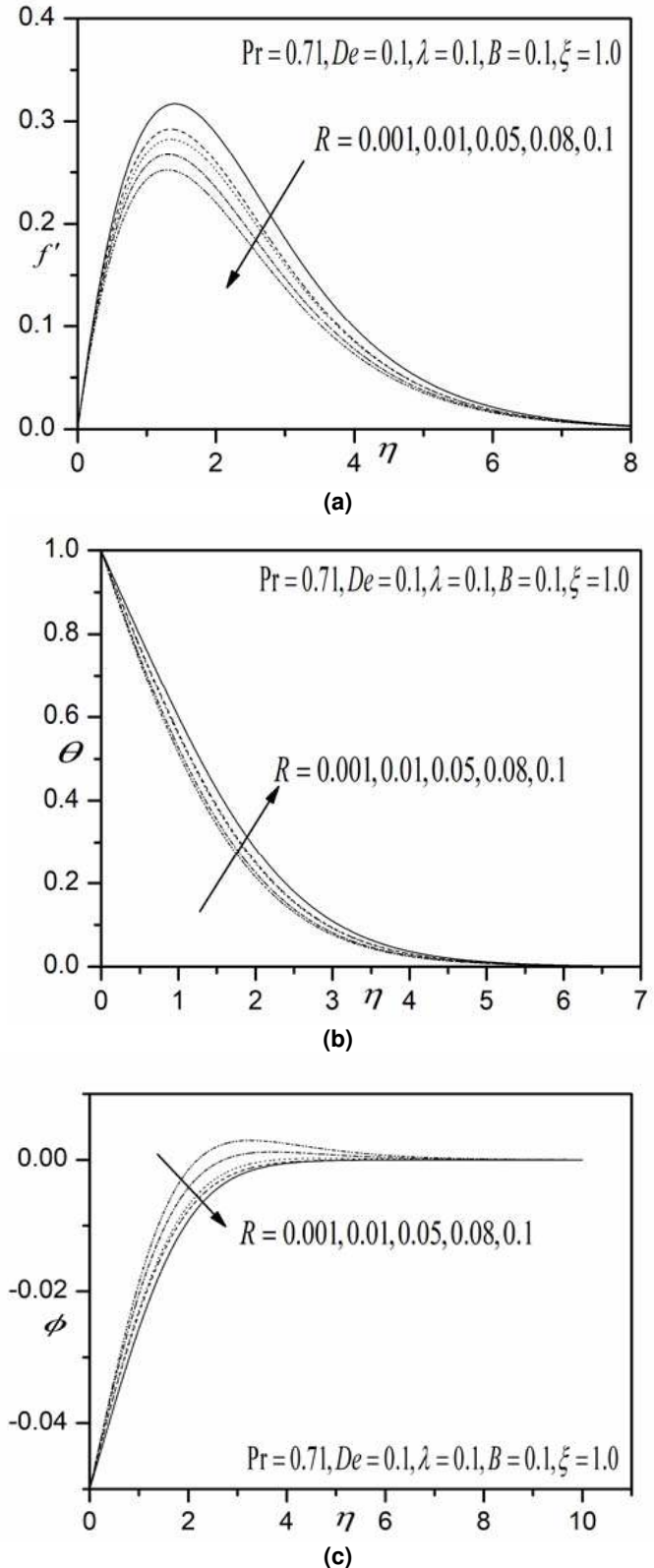
Figs. 4(a) to 4(c) presents the effect of the ratio of relaxation to retardation times i.e.,  $\lambda$  on velocity ( $f'$ ), temperature ( $\theta$ ) and angular velocity ( $\phi$ ) distributions throughout the boundary layer regime. A significant increase in velocity is observed with increasing  $\lambda$  values. Conversely, temperature is markedly reduced with increasing values of  $\lambda$ . Also increasing  $\lambda$  is seen to increase the angular velocity significantly. The mathematical model reduces to the Newtonian viscous flow model as  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$  and  $De \rightarrow 0$ . The momentum boundary layer equation in this cases contracts in the familiar Newtonian form  $4(2+R)f''' + 7ff'' + 4Rg' - 2(f'')^2 + 4\theta + 4\xi f'' = \xi \left( f' \frac{\partial f''}{\partial \xi} - f'' \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right)$

Figs. 5(a) to 5(c) depicts the effect of the vortex viscosity parameter  $R$  on velocity ( $f'$ ), temperature ( $\theta$ ) and angular velocity ( $\phi$ ). For  $R=1$ , the micro-polar and Newtonian dynamic viscosity are equivalent. For  $R = 0$ , micro-polarity is neglected and the equations reduce to Newtonian (Navier-Stokes) case. Although relatively simple in definition,  $R$ , has a prominent influence on all the flow variables. We observe in fig. 5(a) that an increase in  $R$  strongly decelerates the flow, i.e., depresses linear velocity. Fig. 5(b) demonstrates that with stronger micro-polarity, i.e. greater  $R$  value, the temperatures are elevated in the boundary layer. The regime is significantly heated and thermal boundary layer thickness is increased. The increased vortex viscosity encourages thermal diffusion and acts like as agitator. This increases the efficiency of thermal convection within the body of the fluid from the microscopic to the macroscopic scale and effectively transports heat with greater intensity of the cone surface into the fluid regime. Fig. 5(c) depicts that strong reversal of micro-element rotation is induced very close to the wall (cone surface) with increasing  $R$  values.

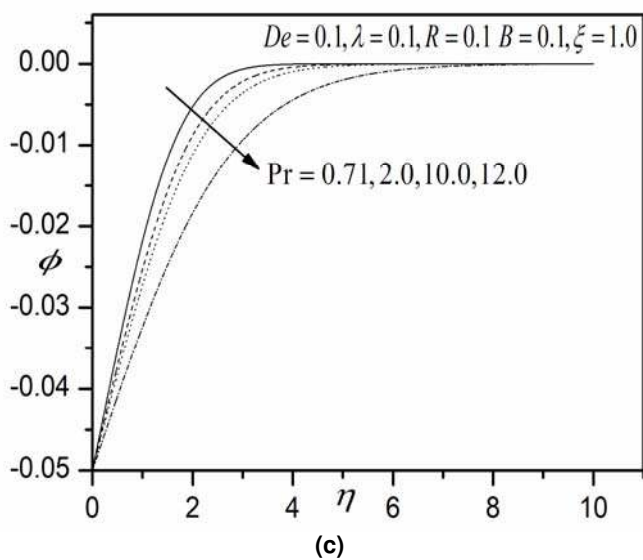
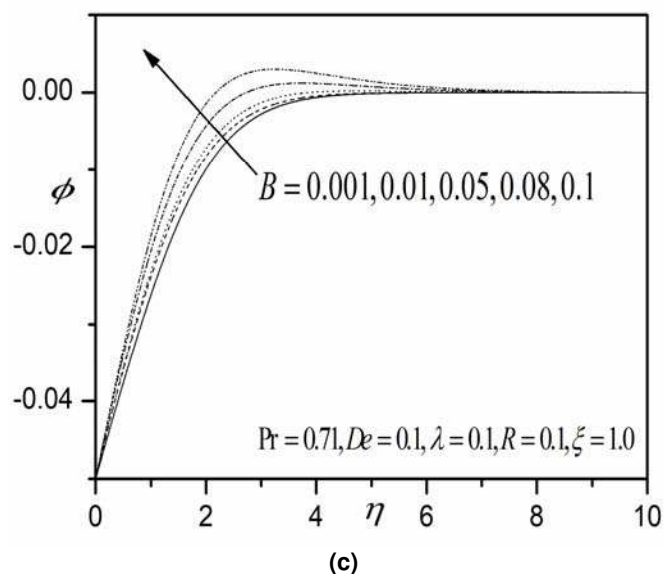
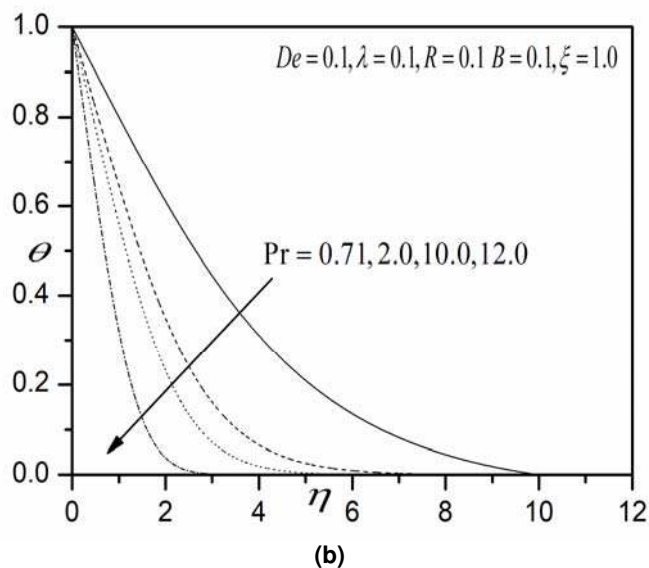
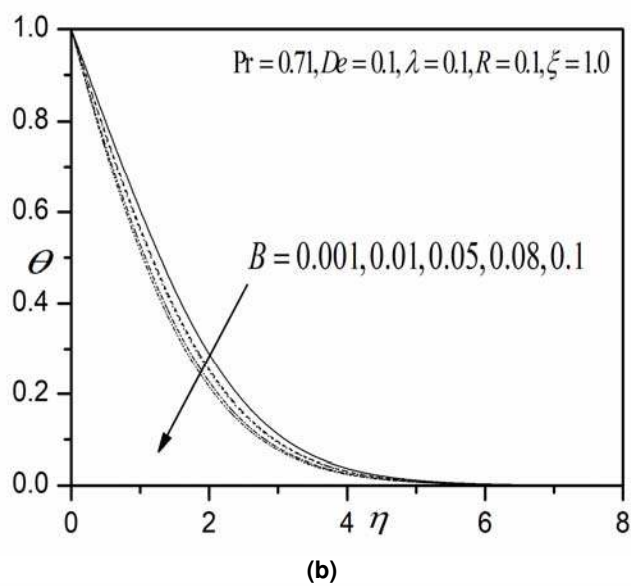
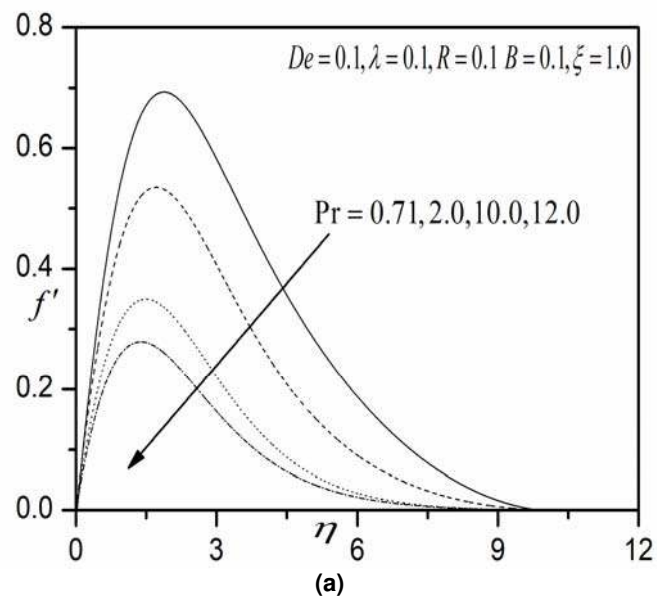
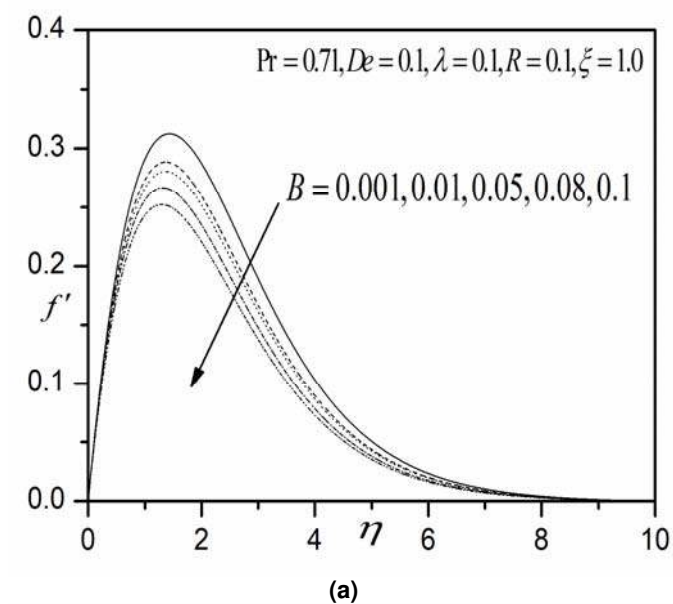
Figs. 6(a) to 6(c) depicts the influence of velocity ( $f'$ ), temperature ( $\theta$ ) and angular velocity ( $\phi$ ) for different values of material parameter  $B$ . It is observed that an increase of  $B$  significantly decelerates the flow, i.e., velocity throughout the boundary layer regime. The temperature also decreased with increasing  $B$  values. Whereas, an increasing the material parameter  $B$ , the angular velocity is increased.

Figs. 7(a) to 7(c) represent typical profiles for velocity, temperature and angular velocity for various values of  $Pr$ . It is observed that an increase the  $Pr$  leads to decrease in velocity. The most prominent variation in profiles arises at intermediate distances from the cone surface. Furthermore, increasing  $Pr$  generates a substantial reduction in the fluid temperature and the thermal boundary layer thickness. At large

$Pr$ , the thermal boundary layer is thinner than at a smaller  $Pr$ . This is because for small values of  $Pr$ , the fluid is highly conductive. Physically, if  $Pr$  increases, the thermal diffusivity decreases and these phenomena leads to the decreasing of energy, ability that reduces the thermal boundary layer. In addition, increasing  $Pr$  reduces angular velocity.

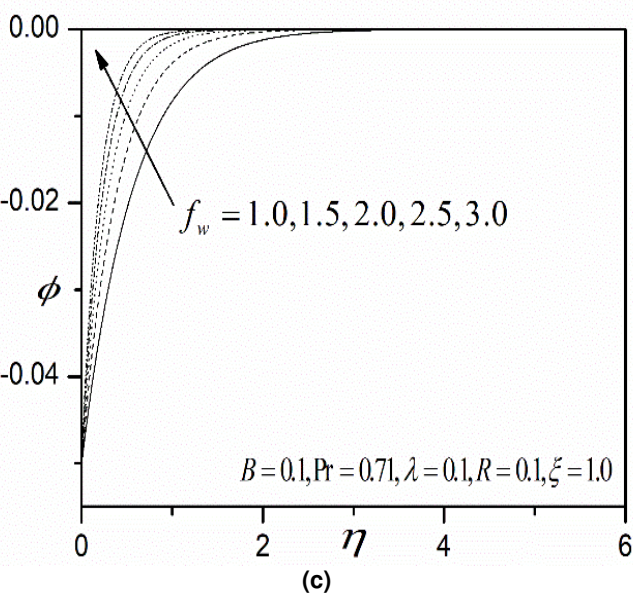
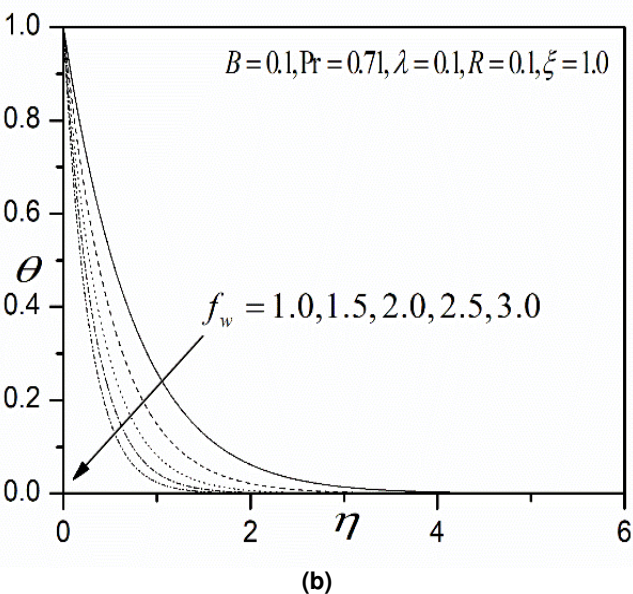
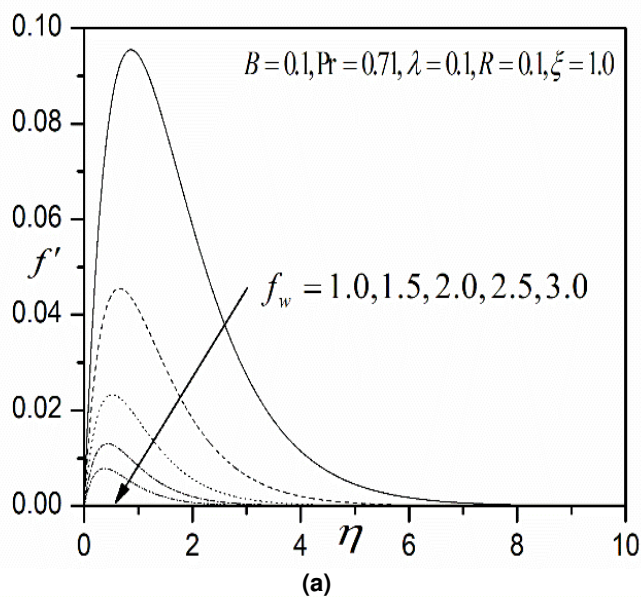


**Fig. 5** Influence of  $R$  on the (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.

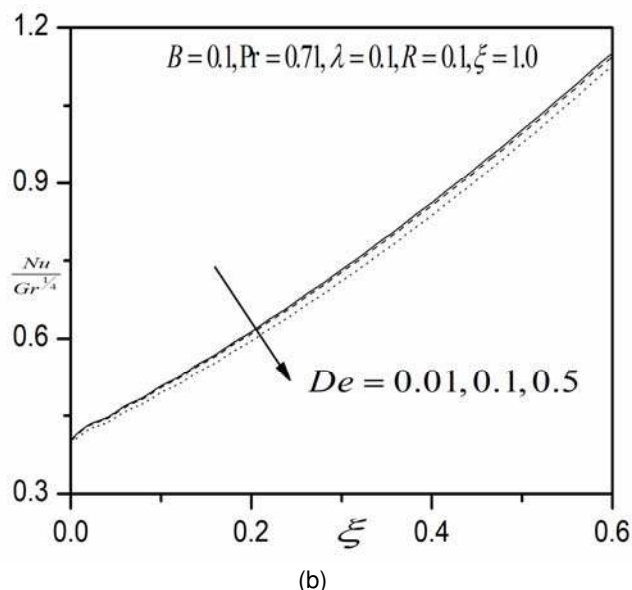
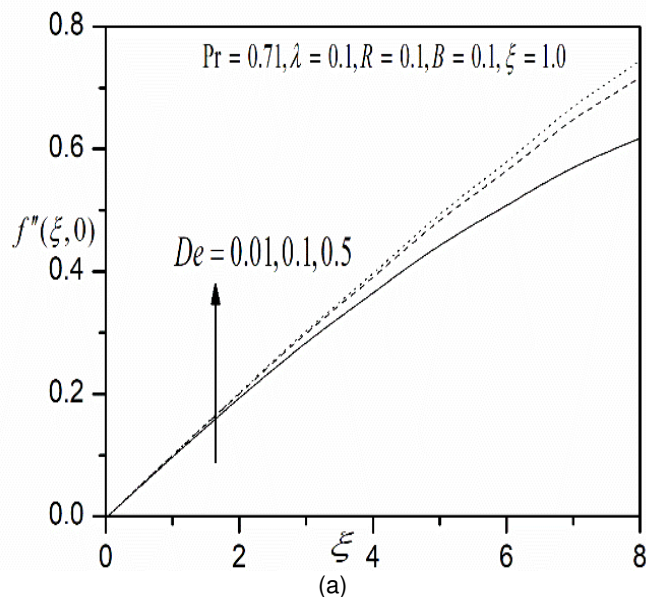


**Fig. 6** Influence of  $B$  on the (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.

**Fig. 7** Influence of  $Pr$  on the (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.



**Fig. 8** Influence of  $f_w$  on the (a) velocity profiles, (b) temperature profiles, and (c) angular velocity profiles.



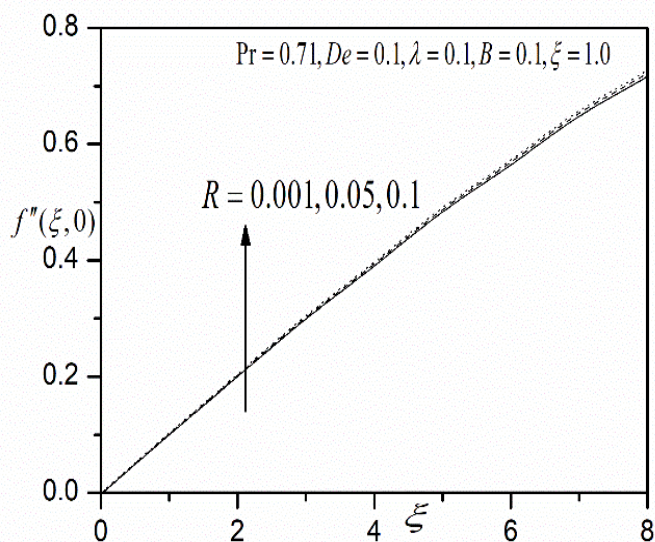
**Fig.9** Influence of  $De$  on the (a) Skin friction coefficient and (b) Nusselt number coefficient.

Figs. 8(a) to 8(c) depicts the influence of velocity ( $f'$ ), temperature ( $\theta$ ) and angular velocity ( $\phi$ ) for different values of suction parameter  $f_w$ . It is observed that an increase of  $f_w$  significantly decelerates the flow, i.e., velocity throughout the boundary layer regime. The temperature also decreased with increasing  $f_w$  values. Whereas, an increasing the suction parameter  $f_w$ , the angular velocity is increased.

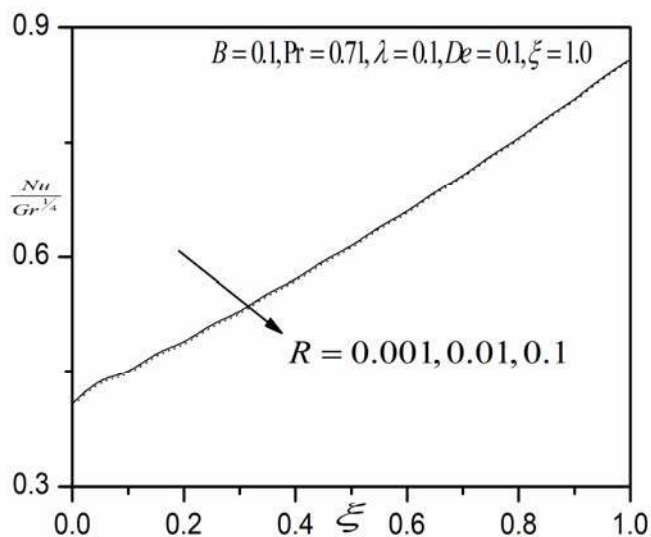
Figs. 9 (a) to 9(b) presents the skin friction coefficient and Nusselt Number comparisons for different values of  $De$ , Increasing Deborah number,  $De$  values first there was no increment after that skin friction increase and the decrease the Nusselt number throughout the cone surface..

Figs. 10 (a) to10 (b) presents the skin friction coefficient and Nusselt Number comparisons for different values of  $R$ , Increasing Vortex viscosity parameter,  $R$  there was slow increment in the skin friction and also very slow decrement in the Nusselt number throughout the cone surface.





(a)



(b)

**Fig. 10** Influence of R on the (a) Skin friction coefficient and (b) Nusselt number coefficient.

Table 1 Values of skin friction ( $f''(\xi, 0)$ ) for different  $De, \lambda$  and  $\xi$

$De$	$\lambda$	$f''(\xi, 0)$		
		$\xi = 1.0$	$\xi = 2.0$	$\xi = 3.0$
0.1	0.2	0.2515	0.4828	0.5419
0.3		0.2219	0.4353	0.4889
0.5		0.2022	0.4284	0.4487
0.8		0.1821	0.3573	0.401
1.0		0.1723	0.3357	0.376
1.5		0.1554	0.2954	0.3289
2.0		0.1456	0.268	0.2964
0.1		0	0.2364	0.4488
	0.5	0.2695	0.5235	0.5885
	1.0	0.2915	0.5733	0.6454
	2.0	0.3193	0.6359	0.717
	3.0	0.3363	0.6741	0.7605
	5.0	0.3562	0.7182	0.8107

Table 2 Values of Nusselt number ( $-\theta'(\xi, 0)$ ) for different  $De, \lambda$  and  $\xi$

$De$	$\lambda$	$-\theta'(\xi, 0)$		
		$\xi = 1.0$	$\xi = 2.0$	$\xi = 3.0$
0.1	0.2	0.7684	0.8875	0.9229
0.3		0.7353	0.8507	0.9089
0.5		0.7303	0.8393	0.8979
0.8		0.7242	0.8255	0.8854
1.0		0.7205	0.8176	0.8789
1.5		0.7112	0.8006	0.8675
2.0		0.7009	0.7848	0.8616
0.1		0	0.7683	0.882
	0.5	0.7686	0.8936	0.9304
	1.0	0.7688	0.9006	0.9388
	2.0	0.7691	0.9086	0.9484
	3.0	0.7692	0.9132	0.9538
	5.0	0.7694	0.9182	0.9597

Table 3: Values of skin friction ( $f''(\xi, 0)$ ) for different  $R$  and  $B$

$R$	$f''(\xi, 0)$		
	$B = 0.001$	$B = 0.01$	$B = 0.1$
0.001	0.3516	0.2023	0.1723
0.01	0.351	0.2018	0.172
0.05	0.3488	0.2001	0.1706
0.08	0.3462	0.198	0.1689
0.1	0.3299	0.1847	0.1582
0.2	0.316	0.1732	0.1489
0.3	0.3058	0.1648	0.142
0.4	0.2978	0.1582	0.1366
0.5	0.2856	0.1482	0.1284
1.0	0.1695	0.1349	0.1175

Tables 3-4 presents the impact of vortex viscosity parameter (R) on skin friction and Nusselt number coefficients along with a variation in material parameter ( $B$ ). With increasing  $R$ , it is detected that the heat transfer rate decreases significantly and skin friction is reduced which corresponds to a retardation of the boundary layer flow.

Tables 5-6 signifies the impression of Prandtl number (Pr) on skin friction and Nusselt number coefficients, along with a variation in ratio of relaxation to retardation times ( $\lambda$ ). With increasing Pr, it is observed that the both skin friction and heat transfer rate increase significantly through the cone surface.

Table 7 illustrate the comparison of steady state Local Nusselt number for various values of  $\xi$  with those of the work Hossain and Paul (2001), Ching-Yang Cheng (2008) and found to be in good agreement.

Table 4: Values of Nusselt number ( $-\theta'(\xi, 0)$ ) for different  $R$  and  $B$

$R$	$-\theta'(\xi, 0)$		
	$B = 0.001$	$B = 0.01$	$B = 0.1$
0.001	0.6685	0.6303	0.5205
0.01	0.6683	0.6301	0.5204
0.05	0.6675	0.6294	0.5198
0.08	0.6667	0.6286	0.519
0.1	0.6622	0.6239	0.5148
0.2	0.6589	0.6205	0.5117
0.3	0.6565	0.6186	0.5093
0.4	0.6545	0.6174	0.5078
0.5	0.6509	0.6162	0.5056
1.0	0.645	0.6161	0.5036

Table 5: Values of skin friction ( $f''(\xi, 0)$ ) for different Pr and  $\lambda$

Pr	$f''(\xi, 0)$		
	$\lambda = 0.0$	$\lambda = 0.5$	$\lambda = 1.0$
0.5	0.2364	0.2696	0.2916
0.71	0.2359	0.269	0.2909
5	0.2339	0.2665	0.2881
7	0.2315	0.2636	0.2848
10	0.2167	0.2456	0.2647
15	0.2039	0.2304	0.2479
25	0.1945	0.2193	0.2357
50	0.1871	0.2106	0.2262
75	0.1757	0.1974	0.2117
100	0.1606	0.18	0.1928

Table 6: Values of Nusselt number ( $-\theta'(\xi, 0)$ ) for different Pr and  $\lambda$

Pr	$-\theta'(\xi, 0)$		
	$\lambda = 0.0$	$\lambda = 0.5$	$\lambda = 1.0$
0.5	0.5483	0.6343	0.6398
0.71	0.5981	0.6998	0.7018
5	0.6675	0.7865	0.7865
7	0.8667	0.8017	0.8450
10	0.9123	0.9973	1.1597
15	0.9893	1.1293	1.6701
25	1.2371	1.5371	1.6743
50	2.1152	2.4862	2.5670
75	3.0019	3.5315	3.6219
100	3.4466	3.7704	3.9863

Table 7: Comparison table values of  $Nu$  for various values of  $\xi$

$\xi$	$-\theta'(\xi, 0)$		
	Hossain and Paul (2001)	Ching-Yang Cheng (2008)	Present
0	0.24584	0.2460	0.24642
0.1	0.25089	0.2509	0.25091
0.2	0.25601	0.2559	0.25563
0.4	0.2663	0.2660	0.26591
0.6	0.27662	0.2760	0.27661
0.8	0.28694	0.2862	0.28696
1	0.29731	0.2965	0.29734
2	0.35131	0.3503	0.35137

### 5. CONCLUSIONS

A mathematical model has been developed for the buoyancy-driven, non-similar, free convection boundary layer flow of Jeffery's non-Newtonian fluid from a vertical isothermal cone in a micro polar fluid regime. The transformed conservation equations have been solved with prescribed boundary conditions using the finite differences implicit Keller-box method. The present simulations have shown that

- (i) Increase the Deborah number ( $De$ ) decreases the velocity, angular velocity and Nusselt Number while in enhances the temperature and skin friction profiles.
- (ii) Increase the vortex viscosity parameter ( $R$ ) in retards the velocity; temperature and the Nusselt number while enhance the skin friction and angular velocity profiles.

- (iii) Increase the Prandtl number ( $Pr$ ) the velocity, temperature and angular velocity profiles are in decreases, while the Nusselt number increased.
- (iv) Increase the suction parameter ( $f_w$ ) the velocity and temperature profiles are decreases throughout the cone surface and enhance the angular velocity profiles.
- (v) Increase the material parameter ( $B$ ) the velocity and temperature profiles are decreases throughout the cone surface and enhance the angular velocity profiles.

### NOMENCLATURE

- $A$  Half angle of the cone
- $B$  Micro polar inertia density (material) parameter
- $De$  Deborah number
- $f$  Dimensionless stream function
- $g$  Dimensionless stream function
- $g^*$  Gravitational acceleration
- $Gr$  Local Grashof number
- $h$  Heat transfer coefficient
- $j$  Micro inertia density
- $k$  Thermal conductivity
- $N$  Angular velocity
- $Nu$  Nusselt number
- $Pr$  Prandtl number
- $r$  Local radius of the truncated cone
- $R$  Vortex viscosity parameter
- $T$  Temperature
- $u, v$  Dimensionless velocity components along  $x$  and  $y$  directions respectively
- $x$  stream wise coordinate
- $y$  Transverse coordinate

### Greek Symbols

- $\alpha$  Thermal diffusivity
- $\beta$  Coefficient concentration expansion
- $\gamma^*$  Spin gradient viscosity
- $\xi, \eta$  Dimensionless coordinates
- $\theta$  Dimensionless temperature
- $\lambda$  Ratio of retardation time to relaxation time
- $\lambda_1$  retardation time
- $k$  Vortex viscosity
- $\mu$  Viscosity
- $\rho$  Density
- $\psi$  Dimensionless stream function

### Subscripts

- w conditions on the wall
- $\infty$  free stream conditions

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