

# Stagnation point flow and heat transfer past a permeable stretching/shrinking Riga plate with velocity slip and radiation effects\*

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**Abstract:** This paper concerns the stagnation point flow and heat transfer of a viscous and incompressible fluid passing through a flat Riga plate with the effects of velocity slip and radiation. An appropriate similarity transformation is chosen to reduce the governing partial differential equations to a system of ordinary differential equations. The numerical results are verified by comparison with existing results from the literature for a special case of the present study. The computed results are analyzed and given in the form of tables and graphs. The behaviors of the skin friction coefficient and the heat transfer rate for various physical parameters are analyzed and discussed. Dual solutions exist for both stretching and shrinking cases. Stability analysis reveals that the solution with lower boundary layer thickness is stable while the other solution is unstable. It is also observed that for the stable solution, the skin friction coefficient and the local Nusselt number increase as the suction effect is increased. For the shrinking case, a solution exists only for a certain range of the shrinking strength and this range increases with increasing value of the suction effect.

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## 1 Introduction

Many researchers have shown interest in studying stagnation point flow because it has many applications such as a jet emerging from slot-jets, melt-spinning processes, glass blowing, and paper production. Hiemenz (1911) was the first to formulate

this problem and to solve it numerically. Subsequently, Howarth (1951) extended the problem and considered a steady flow near a cylinder in a moving stream. Years later, Chiam (1994) examined the 2D stagnation point flow through a stretching surface. Recent studies that have dealt with stagnation point flow with varying physical characteristics include Kumari and Nath (1999), Mahapatra and Gupta (2001), Nazar et al. (2004), Yacob and Ishak (2011), and Farooq et al. (2016a), among others. Recently, Bai et al. (2016) explored the magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) Maxwell nanofluid flow near a stagnation point with the thermophoresis effect. They reported

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that the computed result of velocity boundary layer thickness is inversely proportional to the stagnation parameter. Another study has been carried out by Hsiao (2016), who considered the stagnation MHD nanofluid mixed convection over a stretching sheet with the effects of a slip boundary. The numerical results revealed that the nano energy conversion produced a higher effect at lower values of the heat sink.

Since the slip velocity was shown to be important in micro devices (Torabi and Peterson, 2016), research has been carried out to explore its impact. One relevant investigation is that on the slip velocity in axially moving micro-concentric cylinders performed by Khadrawi and Al-Shyyab (2010). Assuming that there were no nonlinearities involved, they proposed an analytical solution and stated that the slip velocity at the inner surface is much greater than at the outer surface. Recently, Torabi and Peterson (2016) conducted a study on the impact of slip velocity on entropy generation in microporous channels. Many more studies on the effects of slip velocity have been carried out, for example Chen and Tian (2010), Aziz and Niedbalski (2011), Noghrehabadi et al. (2012), Malvandi and Ganji (2014), and Jha and Aina (2015).

Thermal radiation has an important role in industrial applications such as furnace design, plasma physics, and space craft aerodynamics. There has been much research into the effect of thermal radiation in various problems—for example, those of thermal radiation over a stretching sheet by Cortel (2008) and over a stretching sheet in a nanofluid by Hady et al. (2012). Oyelakin et al. (2016) explored the effect of thermal radiation on an unsteady Casson nanofluid and reported that radiation increases the temperature. Recently, Hsiao (2017a, 2017b, 2017c) investigated the effects of radiation on a stretching sheet in various fluids, while Khan et al. (2017b) studied nonlinear radiation and found that it increases the temperature for all cases considered in the study. Other researchers that have considered nonlinear radiation in their studies include Asadullah et al. (2016), Ahmed et al. (2017a, 2018), and Khan et al. (2017a, 2017c), among others.

However, there has been little research of the characteristics of fluid flows through a Riga plate. A Riga plate is widely known as electromagnetic actu-

ator which comprises a span wise array of permanent magnets and alternating electrodes mounted on a surface (Hayat et al., 2016). It can be used to reduce the skin friction coefficient and pressure drag of a submarine by avoiding boundary layer separation (Farooq et al., 2016b). Among the early researchers who studied this kind of problem are Magyari and Pantokratoras (2011a), who initiated the investigation of the Blasius flow with mixed convection over Riga plates. Then, Hayat et al. (2016) extended the work to a nanofluid flow with variable thickness over a heated Riga plate. In the same year, Farooq et al. (2016b) studied the melting stagnation point flow with homogenous-heterogeneous reaction over variable thickness of a Riga plate. They reported that velocity distribution increased the modified Hartman number. Recently, a number of studies have been carried out on the flow over a Riga plate, such as Ahmad et al. (2016), Ahmed et al. (2017b, 2017c), Ayub et al. (2016), Hayat et al. (2017), and Iqbal et al. (2017).

Although some attention has been given to the flow over a Riga plate, there has been no investigation of the velocity slip and radiation effects of such a flow. Thus, the aim of the present study is to fill that gap. An analysis of stagnation point flow past a permeable stretching/shrinking Riga plate with the effect of velocity slip and radiation is proposed. It is worth mentioning that this work is different from that of Nasir et al. (2017) since they only focused on a quadratically stretching/shrinking surface while this work focusses on the stretching and shrinking Riga plates. The governing equations are reduced from nonlinear partial differential equations to second- and third-order nonlinear ordinary differential equations. The results are computed numerically using the widely used boundary value problem solver, *bvp4c*, in MATLAB software, together with a shooting technique. The stability of the solutions is analyzed to see the limitation of the bifurcation point and the growth of disturbance in the solutions.

## 2 Problem formulation

Consider a boundary layer stagnation point flow of a viscous and incompressible fluid past a permeable stretching/shrinking Riga plate with radiation and velocity slip effects as shown in Fig. 1, where  $x$  and  $y$

are the Cartesian coordinates measured along the stretching/shrinking surface and normal to it. The flow takes place at  $y \geq 0$ . It is assumed that both velocities of the stretching/shrinking surface are  $u_w(x)$  and that of the ambient (inviscid) fluid is  $u_e(x)$ . It is also assumed that the constant temperature of the stretching/shrinking surface is  $T_w$ , while that of the ambient fluid is  $T_\infty$ . Further it is assumed that the constant mass velocity is  $v_0$  with  $v_0 < 0$  for suction and  $v_0 > 0$  for injection. Under these conditions, the governing boundary layer equations are (Pantokratoras and Magyari, 2009):

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0, \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = u_e \frac{du_e}{dx} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\pi j_0 M_0}{8\rho} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{\alpha_1} y\right), \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{16\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{3k^* \rho C_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2}, \tag{3}$$

along with the initial and boundary conditions:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u &= u_w(x) = \lambda U_w(x) + N \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \\ v &= v_0, \quad T = T_w, \end{aligned} \right\} \text{at } y=0, \tag{4}$$

$$u \rightarrow u_e(x) = ax, \quad T \rightarrow T_\infty \quad \text{as } y \rightarrow \infty,$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  are the velocity components along the  $x$  and  $y$  axes, respectively,  $t$  is the time,  $\lambda$  is the constant stretching/shrinking parameter with  $\lambda > 0$  corresponding to the stretching and  $\lambda < 0$  to the shrinking sheet, and we assume that  $U_w(x) = ax$ , where  $a$  is a positive constant. Further,  $\alpha$  is the thermal diffusivity,  $\nu$  is the kinematic viscosity,  $\rho$  denotes the density,  $j_0$  represents the applied current density in the electrodes,  $M_0$  represents the magnetization of the permanent magnets,  $\alpha_1$  is the width for electrodes and magnets,  $\sigma^*$  denotes the Stefan-Boltzman constant,  $C_p$  is the specific heat at constant pressure,  $k^*$  denotes the mean absorption coefficient, and  $N$  is the velocity slip coefficient. We notice that the last term in Eq. (3) is the

radiation term based on the Roseland approximation (Magyari and Pantokratoras, 2011b).

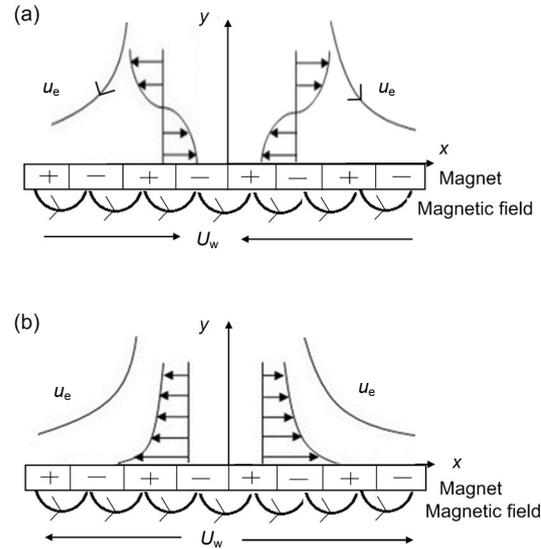


Fig. 1 Physical model of a Riga plate with shrinking sheet (a) and stretching sheet (b)

### 3 Solution for the steady problem

In order to solve Eqs. (1)–(3) subject to the boundary conditions Eq. (4), we assume that  $M_0 = x\tilde{M}_0$ , where  $\tilde{M}_0$  is the characteristic magnetization of the permanent magnets. Thus, we introduce the following similarity variables (Kuznetsov and Nield, 2010):

$$\begin{aligned} u &= axf'(\eta), \quad v = -\sqrt{a\alpha}f(\eta), \\ \theta(\eta) &= \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty}, \quad \eta = \sqrt{a/\alpha}y, \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

where primes denote differentiation with respect to  $\eta$ ,  $f$  is the dimensionless stream function and  $\theta$  is the dimensionless temperature. Substituting the variables Eq. (5) into Eqs. (1)–(3), it is found that the continuity equation Eq. (1) is automatically satisfied, and Eqs. (2) and (3) are reduced to the following ordinary (similarity) differential equations:

$$Prf''' + ff'' + 1 - f'^2 + Qe^{-\eta} = 0, \tag{6}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{4}{3}Rd\right)\theta'' + f\theta' = 0, \tag{7}$$

subject to the boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) = S, \quad f'(0) = \lambda + \beta f''(0), \quad \theta(0) = 1, \\ f'(\eta) \rightarrow 1, \quad \theta(\eta) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Here  $S$  is the surface mass transfer parameter with  $S > 0$  for suction,  $S < 0$  for injection, and  $S = 0$  for the impermeable plate.  $Pr$  is the Prandtl number,  $Rd$  is the radiation parameter,  $Q$  is the modified Hartman number, and  $\beta$  is the velocity slip parameter, which are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} S = -\frac{v_0}{\sqrt{a\alpha}}, \quad Pr = \frac{\nu}{\alpha}, \quad Rd = \frac{4\sigma^* T_\infty^3}{kk^*}, \\ Q = \frac{\pi j_0 \tilde{M}_0}{8a^2 \rho}, \quad \beta = N\sqrt{a/\alpha}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

It should be stressed that the use of the variables in Eq. (5) moves the Prandtl number from the energy equation Eq. (7) to the momentum equation Eq. (6). That is a new fact for stretching/shrinking sheet problems.

The physical quantities of practical interest are the skin friction or shear stress coefficient  $C_f$  and the local Nusselt number  $Nu_x$ , which are defined as

$$C_f = \frac{\tau_w}{\rho U_w^2}, \quad Nu_x = \frac{xq_w}{k(T_w - T_\infty)}, \quad (10)$$

where  $\tau_w$  is the skin friction or the shear stresses, and  $q_w$  is the heat flux from the surface of the sheet, which are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_w = \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0}, \\ q_w = -k \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} Rd \right) \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)_{y=0}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where  $\mu$  is the dynamic viscosity

Substituting Eq. (5) into Eq. (10) and using Eq. (11), we can obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} Re_x^{1/2} C_f = f''(0), \\ Re_x^{-1/2} Nu_x = \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} Rd \right) [-\theta'(0)], \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where  $Re_x = u_e(x)x/\alpha$  is the local Reynolds number.

#### 4 Flow stability

In order to perform the stability analysis, a dimensionless similarity transformation is introduced as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} U = aX \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta}(\eta, \tau), \quad V = -\sqrt{a\alpha} F(\eta, \tau), \\ \theta(\eta, \tau) = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty}, \quad \eta = \sqrt{a/\alpha} Y, \quad \tau = at. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Hence, the unsteady equations Eqs. (2) and (3) respectively reduce to:

$$\begin{aligned} Pr \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial \eta^3} + f \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \eta^2} + 1 - \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta} \right)^2 + Qe^{-\eta} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \eta \partial \tau} = 0, \quad (14) \\ \left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} Rd \right) \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \eta^2} + f \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \eta} - \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} = 0, \quad (15) \end{aligned}$$

with boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, \tau) = S, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta}(0, \tau) = \lambda + \beta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \eta^2}(0, \tau), \\ \theta(0, \tau) = 1, \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta}(\eta, \tau) \rightarrow 1, \quad \theta(\eta, \tau) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Following Weidman et al. (2006) and Rosca and Pop (2013), we employ basic equations with disturbances given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(\eta, \tau) = f_0(\eta) + e^{-\gamma\tau} F(\eta), \\ \theta(\eta, \tau) = h_0(\eta) + e^{-\gamma\tau} H(\eta), \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where  $\gamma$  is an unknown eigenvalue and  $F(\eta)$  and  $H(\eta)$  are small relative to  $f_0(\eta)$  and  $h_0(\eta)$  (Awaludin et al., 2016). Substituting Eq. (17) into the transformed unsteady equations Eqs. (14) and (15) gives:

$$PrF''' + f_0F'' + (\gamma - 2f_0')F' + f_0''F = 0, \quad (18)$$

$$\left( 1 + \frac{4}{3} Rd \right) H'' + f_0H' + h_0'H + \gamma H = 0, \quad (19)$$

subject to the boundary conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(0) = 0, \quad F'(0) = \beta F''(0), \quad H(0) = 0, \\
 F'(\eta) \rightarrow 0, \quad H(\eta) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \eta \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{20}$$

It is worth mentioning that, based on Eq. (17), if the smallest eigenvalue  $\gamma$  is negative then there is a growth of disturbance as time  $\tau$  increases and thus the flow will become unstable. In contrast, if the smallest eigenvalue  $\gamma$  is positive, there is a decay of disturbance as time passes, and the flow is said to be stable.

### 5 Results and discussion

The objective of this section is to uncover the behaviors of the skin friction coefficient, local Nusselt number, velocity profiles, and temperature profiles corresponding to a variety of physical parameters. The nonlinear ordinary differential equations Eqs. (6) and (7) subjected to the boundary conditions Eq. (8) were solved numerically using a built-in boundary value problem solver in MATLAB software, namely `bvp4c`. The relative tolerance is set to  $10^{-10}$  to ensure the accuracy of the numerical results and the finite value of  $\eta \rightarrow \infty$  is chosen to be  $\eta=15$  to establish the converging of the numerical results

obtained later. Tables 1 and 2 show the comparisons of the numerical results with the earlier published results by Rosca et al. (2016), Abd El-Aziz (2016), and Nandy and Pop (2014) for validation purposes. As we can clearly see that all results are in good agreement and thus the present numerical results are validated.

Fig. 2 is plotted to see the relationship between the stretching/shrinking parameter  $\lambda$  and the skin friction coefficient  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  when the suction strength  $S$  is increased. As we can see, when  $S$  is increased, the solution domain for  $\lambda$  also increases. The minimum values of  $\lambda$  for which the solution exists for  $S=0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5$  are  $\lambda_c=-1.699, -6.976, -9.361, -11.780$ , respectively. It is also noticeable that the second solution (lower branch solution) existed for  $\lambda_c < \lambda < 0$  (shrinking case) and  $\lambda \geq 0$  (stretching case). This figure also emphasizes that the range of  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  increases as the value of the suction strength increases. Additionally, when  $\lambda=1, Re_x^{1/2}C_f=0$ , due to the fluid and the boundary moving with the same velocity and thus not producing any friction at the fluid-solid interface (Sharma et al., 2014).

The variations of the local Nusselt number  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  for suction strengths  $S=0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5$  are

**Table 1 Comparison of  $f''(0)$  for  $S=Q=Rd=0, Pr=1.0$ , and  $\lambda < 0$  (shrinking sheet)**

$\lambda$	$f''(0)$					
	Present study		Rosca et al. (2016)		Abd El-Aziz (2016)	
	Upper branch	Lower branch	Upper branch	Lower branch	Upper branch	Lower branch
-0.2500	1.4022408	-	1.402240	-	1.4022408	-
-0.5000	1.4956697	-	1.495669	-	1.4956698	-
-0.7500	1.4892982	-	1.489298	-	1.4892983	-
-1.0000	1.3288168	0.000000	1.328816	0.000000	1.3288169	0.0000000
-1.1000	1.1866802	0.049229	1.186680	0.049228	1.1866804	0.0492289
-1.1500	1.0822311	0.116702	1.082231	0.116702	1.0822314	0.1167021
-1.2000	0.9324733	0.233650	0.932473	0.233649	0.9324740	0.2336497
-1.2465	0.5842816	0.554296	0.584281	0.554292	0.5842915	0.5542856

**Table 2 Comparison of  $f''(0)$  for  $S=Q=Rd=0, Pr=1.0$ , and  $\lambda > 0$  (stretching sheet)**

$\lambda$	$f''(0)$		
	Present study	Rosca et al. (2016)	Nandy and Pop (2014)
0.0	1.23258800	1.232587	1.232588
0.2	1.05113000	1.051129	1.051131
0.5	0.71329500	0.713294	0.713296
1.0	0.00000000	0.000000	0.000000
2.0	-1.88730700	-1.887306	-1.887307
5.0	-10.2647490	-10.264749	-10.264751
8.0	-21.6847996	-	-

shown in Fig. 3. Fig. 3 shows the same pattern as Fig. 2. The values of  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  which represent the heat transfer rates at the surface increase as the strength of suction increases. This happens because suction increases the friction at the fluid-solid interface and, in consequence, increases the local Nusselt number  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$ . It is also demonstrated that the domain for  $\lambda$  increases and the values for critical  $\lambda_c$  decrease as the strength of suction increases. It is the same as in Fig. 2 where dual solutions exist for both shrinking and stretching cases.

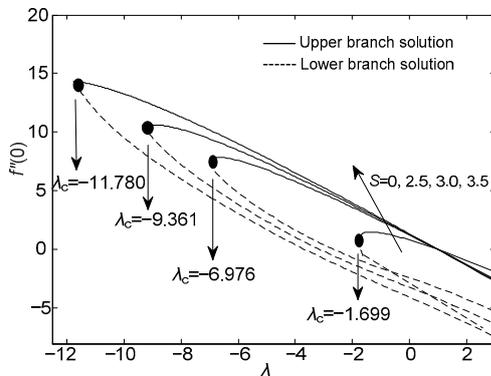


Fig. 2 Variation of skin friction coefficient  $f''(0)$  when suction,  $S=0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5$  with  $Q=0.6, \beta=0.5, Pr=1.0$

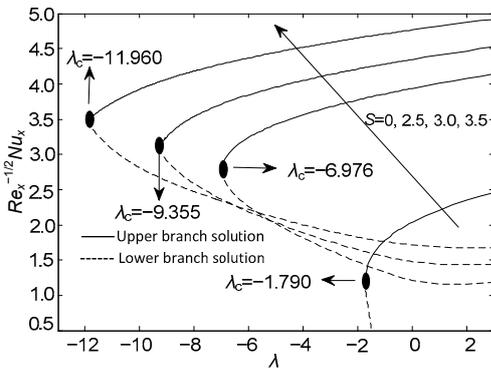


Fig. 3 Variation of local Nusselt number  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  when suction,  $S=0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.5$  with  $Q=0.6, Rd=0.5, \beta=0.5, Pr=1.0$

Fig. 4 shows the variation of the skin friction coefficient  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  with  $S$  for the shrinking case ( $\lambda=-2.0, -2.5, -3.0$ ). It is clear that as  $\lambda$  increases, the domain of  $S$  increases. The critical values of  $S$  when  $\lambda=-2.0, -2.5, -3.0$  are  $S_c=0.2998, 0.6535, 0.9792$ , respectively. The value of  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  decreases as  $\lambda$  increases. Moreover, its range increases as suction  $S$

increases. When  $S_c=0.9792, 0.6535, 0.2998$ , the values of  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  are 2.608, 2.041, 1.545, respectively. Dual solutions exist for all values of  $S>S_c$ , while there is no solution when  $S<S_c$ .

The graph of  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  is plotted for different values of  $\lambda$  as shown in Fig. 5. The local Nusselt number  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  increases as  $\lambda$  decreases. It is observed that the domain for  $S$  decreases as the value of  $\lambda$  decreases. It is also observed that the range of  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  decreases as the critical values of  $S$  increase. The second solution (lower branch solution) exists when  $S>S_c$ . It is shown that the values of  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  when  $S_c=0.2998, 0.6535, 0.9831$  are  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x=1.448, 1.646, 1.8605$ , respectively.

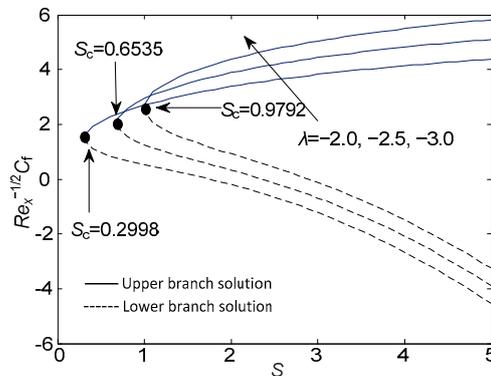


Fig. 4 Variation of  $Re_x^{1/2}C_f$  when  $\lambda=-2.0, -2.5, -3.0$  with  $Q=0.6, \beta=0.5, Pr=1.0$

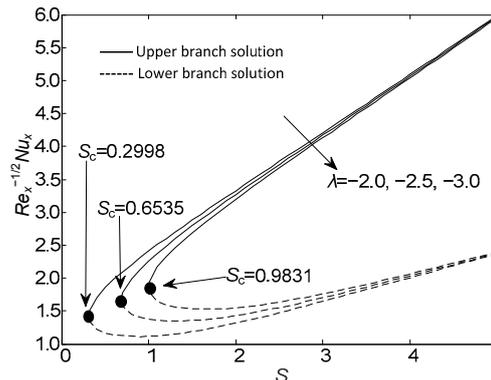


Fig. 5 Variation of  $Re_x^{-1/2}Nu_x$  when  $\lambda=-2.0, -2.5, -3.0$  with  $Q=0.6, Rd=0.5, \beta=0.5, Pr=1.0$

The effect of the radiation parameter  $Rd$  on the temperature profiles,  $\theta(\eta)$  is illustrated in Fig. 6. It can be seen that the temperature distribution increases as the value of  $Rd$  increases. In addition, the thermal boundary layer thickness is enhanced for increased

values of the thermal radiation,  $Rd$ . This is due to the inter-atomic collisions which can cause the increase of the kinetic energy of the fluid molecule to change and thus will enhance the temperature distribution of the fluid.

The effects of slip velocity  $\beta$  on the velocity and the temperature can be seen in Figs. 7 and 8. Fig. 7 shows the influence of  $\beta$  towards the velocity profiles,  $f(\eta)$ . It is clearly seen that the slip velocity  $\beta$ , enhances the velocity as  $\beta$  moves to higher values. This can be explained by Stoke's law which is related to the fluid density. Increasing the density of the fluid will result in an increase in the slip velocity and thus will increase the velocity difference between the fluid and the plate. Fig. 8 shows the impact of the slip parameter  $\beta$  on the temperature profiles  $\theta(\eta)$ . The temperature decreases as the slip strength increases. This is because the viscosity of the fluid tends to increase as its temperature decreases.

It is noticeable from Figs. 2 and 3 that dual solutions exist for both stretching and shrinking cases. A stability analysis is carried out to determine which of the solutions is stable and which is not. We solve the eigenvalue problem Eqs. (18)–(20), and find the smallest values  $\gamma$  in Eq. (17). Positive values of  $\gamma$  show that there is an initial decay of disturbance as time passes,  $\tau \rightarrow \infty$ . In contrast, negative values of  $\gamma$  indicate initial growth of disturbance, and thus cause the instability of the flow. In Fig. 9, it is clearly shown that the positive values of  $\gamma$  (which represent the upper branch solution) show it is stable while the lower branch solution, which is represented by negative values of  $\gamma$ , is unstable. The change of sign of  $\gamma$  from positive to negative occurs at the bifurcation point  $\lambda = \lambda_c$ .

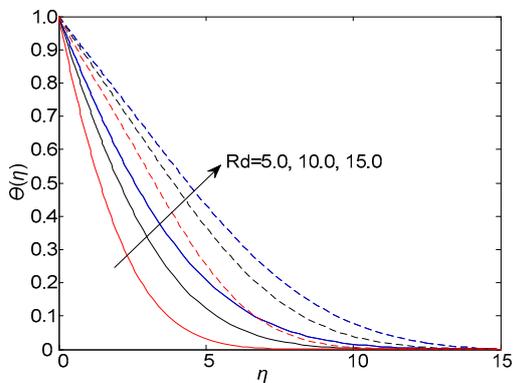


Fig. 6 Effect of  $Rd$  on temperature profile  $\theta(\eta)$  with  $Q=0.6$ ,  $\lambda=-2.0$ ,  $\beta=0.5$ ,  $\eta=15.0$ ,  $Pr=1.0$ ,  $S=2.0$

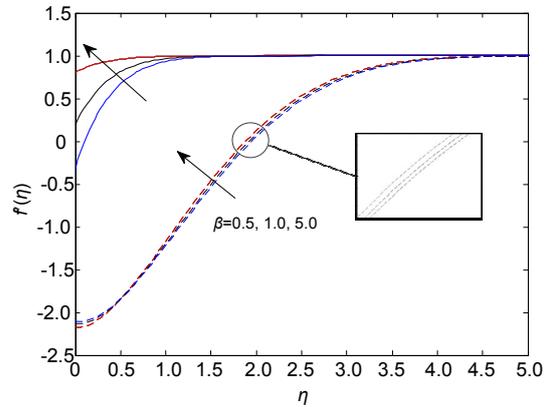


Fig. 7 Effect of  $\beta$  on velocity profile  $f(\eta)$  with  $Q=0.6$ ,  $Rd=5.0$ ,  $\lambda=-2.0$ ,  $\eta=15.0$ ,  $Pr=1.0$ ,  $S=2.0$

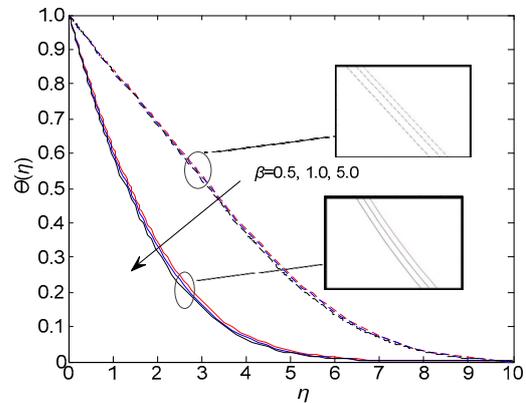


Fig. 8 Effect of  $\beta$  on temperature profile  $\theta(\eta)$  with  $Q=0.6$ ,  $Rd=5.0$ ,  $\lambda=-2.0$ ,  $Pr=1.0$ ,  $S=2.0$

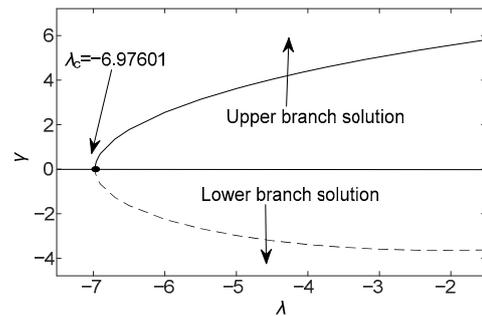


Fig. 9 The smallest eigenvalues  $\gamma$  for selected values of  $\lambda$  with  $Pr=1.0$ ,  $\beta=0.5$ ,  $Rd=5.0$

## 6 Conclusions

The characteristics of a stretching/shrinking Riga plate have been analyzed with reference to the effects of velocity slip and radiation. Dual solutions have been found for both stretching and shrinking cases. A stability analysis has been carried out to deal

with the dual solutions, and this determined which of the solutions is stable. It was found that the upper branch solution is stable and the lower branch solution is not. The numerical results can be summarized as follows:

1. The skin friction coefficient and the heat transfer rate increase as the strength of suction is increased.

2. The skin friction coefficient decreases as the stretching/shrinking parameter  $\lambda$  increases, for both solution branches.

3. The local Nusselt number which represents the heat transfer rate at the surface increases for the upper solution branch but decreases for the lower branch.

4. A higher value of radiation will result in an enhanced temperature.

5. Increasing the slip effect will enhance the velocity but decrease the temperature inside the boundary layer.

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## 中文概要

**题目:** 通过具有速度滑移和辐射效应的可渗透拉伸/收缩 Riga 板的驻点流动和热传导

**目的:** 1. 通过分析 Riga 板的抽吸效应来控制流体运动和减少摩擦力和压力阻力; 2. 利用磁场的速度滑移效应来控制流体的流速; 3. 基于辐射原理控制热传导并减小阻力。

**创新点:** 1. 本研究可应用于核电厂、飞机、潜艇以及卫星等设施中推进装置的设计; 2. 本研究可用于防止边界层分离以减少湍流的产生。

**方法:** 1. 构建基于偏微分方程的数理模型; 2. 利用相似变换法将偏微分方程简化为常微分方程; 3. 利用 Matlab 内置求解器 bvp4c 对常微分方程组进行数值求解; 4. 基于求解结果讨论稳定性。

**结论:** 1. 对于拉伸/收缩两种情形的 Riga 板问题都存在对偶解; 2. 数值求解结果显示表面摩擦系数和表面传热率均会随着吸力的增大而增大, 而随拉伸/收缩参数  $\lambda$  的增大而减小; 3. 上支解的努塞尔数增大而下支解减小; 4. 辐射会提高边界层内的温度, 而增强滑移效应则会提高流速同时降低边界层温度; 5. 只有上支解是长期稳定的。

**关键词:** Riga 板; 驻点流动; 热传导; 收缩薄片; 对偶解