Numerical solution for heat transfer of Oldroyd–B fluid over a stretching sheet using successive linearization method

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1. Introduction

In our daily lives, most cosmic events in science, physics, and geometry are phenomena represented by nonlinear equations. Therefore, because of these nonlinearities, it is more difficult to solve these equations. Some of these nonlinear equations can be solved using approximate mathematical analytical methods such as the Homotopy (HAM) analysis method proposed by Liao (1992, 2004), the Homotopy Perturbation (HPM) method discovered by the mathematical scientist He (1999) and Adomain decomposition method (ADM) (Esmaili et al., 2008; Makinde and Mhone, 2006; Makinde, 2008). Some of these equations can be solved by conventional numerical methods such as finite difference method, the Keller box method, and Runge-Kutta methods. Recently some studies have shown a new method called the successive linearization method (SLM). This method has been successfully applied to many non-linear problems in science and engineering, such as MHD flows of non-Newtonian fluids and transfer over a stretching sheet (Shateyi and Motsa, 2010), and the viscous pressure-flow between two parallel plates (Makukula et al., 2010a), a two-dimensional plate flowing between two porous walls (Makukula et al., 2010b), on the thin-film flow of Eyring-Powell fluid on the vertically moving belt (Salah et al., 2019) and convective thermal transfer heat to the MHD boundary layer with a pressure gradient (Ahmed et al., 2015). Therefore, this method has shown very high efficiency, accuracy, and flexibility of SLM in solving nonlinear equations.

In recent decades, the applications of liquids have become of great interest as they enter into many industrial products. Mathematically, however, some of these fluids are not easily expressed by a specific mathematical relationship between shear and stress rates, which are quite different from viscous fluids (Ellahi et al., 2008; Hayat et al., 2004). Examples of these fluids are very many and often found in homes, such as: Toiletries, paints, cosmetics, certain oils, shampoo, jam, soup, etc., have different characteristics and symbolize non-Newtonian fluids. In general, classification of non-Newtonian fluid
models is given under three categories called integral, differential, and rate types (Fetecau et al., 2007; Salah et al., 2011; Hayat et al., 2008; Cortell, 2006). In this research, our main concern is to discuss the heat transfer flow of the magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) Oldroyd–B fluid. Overstretching. This application has attracted the attention of many scientists, and therefore conducted a large number of researches. The MHD fluid flow study can be carried out on the expansion plate for extrusion and drawing casting, plastic film, polymer, hot rolling, and many engineering applications. Following developments in this field, researchers in this field always try to improve accuracy using different methods of fluid behaviour. One of these methods used in this area is the application of dynamic magnetic flux (Ghadikolaei et al., 2018). This application is known as MHD. MHD is the study of the interaction of electrically conductive fluids with electromagnetic phenomena. Therefore, the flow of MHD liquid in the presence of a magnetic field is very, very important in many applications in science, engineering, and applied technology such as MHD pumps and nuclear power generation. Given these facts, many and many researchers continue to contribute to the field of MHD fluid mechanics (Hayat et al., 2013; Malik et al., 2013; Hussain et al., 2010; Husain et al., 2008). Another important application of nanoparticles in the base fluid, which seeks to improve the behaviour of fluids and recruitment, is the optimal use of changes. Because there are many different engineering issues and boundary conditions, extensive research has been conducted in this area, which is briefly summarized. Due to different boundary conditions and different geometric positions, Waqas et al. (2017) discussed the stratification of the nonliquid flow with generating heat in a stretchable linear surface. Ghadikolaei et al. (2018) analyzed the flow and heat of the second row liquid on a dilation sheet channel. The study of heat transfer with a mixed thermal flow of nonliquid that passes through a vertical plate extending with the presence of three different types of nanoparticles, Cu, Al2O3, and TiO2 for the analysis of the different thermal conductivity of nonliquid and the speed of nanoparticles and research Nusselt number was found in Si et al. (2017). The works available in this introduction are listed in the references (Zargartalebi et al., 2015; Megahed, 2013; Sadeghy et al., 2006; Mukhopadhyay, 2012; Abel et al., 2012; Waqas et al., 2018; 2019a; Khan et al., 2019a; 2019b; Khan and Shehzad, 2019). The mixed convection flow resulting from forced and free convection contains many important practical applications in various industrial fields such as furnaces, astrophysics, geology, drying techniques, chemical treatments, etc. Forced convection is the temperature difference between the infinite thermal expansion disk resulting from free thermal flow and the heat transfer in the thermal expansion disk caused by the application of external forces. The mathematical model of buoyancy-driven flows becomes very complicated, resulting in the coupling of thermal fields and transport properties of flows. A dimensionless parameter, namely Archimedes number \( \text{AR} \) in mixed convection flow which represents distribution and comparative of natural convection to forced convection, play a critical and important role. For \( \text{AR} > 1 \), the free convection becomes governing over forced convection (Hashmi et al., 2017; Waqas et al., 2019b; Khan et al., 2018).

At present, a new investigation is underway on the thermal transfer of the non-compressible Oldroyd-B liquid on an extended plate channel. The governing equations for the Oldroyd-B liquid are used with MHD. The numerical solution to the resulting nonlinear problem is calculated by using an SLM method. Embedded flow parameters are discussed and illustrated via diagrams.

2. Mathematical formulation of the problem

2.1. Flow analysis

Here we considering the two-dimensional steady laminar flow of an incompressible MHD Oldroyd–B fluid, which is past a flat sheet coincide with the plane \( y = 0 \), confining the flow to \( y > 0 \). Along \( x \)-axis, there are two opposite, and equal forces are applied. Due to this, the wall is stretched and retaining the origin fixed. Under the constant and boundary layer assumptions, the continuity, constitutive equation of Oldroyd–B fluid (Waqas et al., 2018) and energy equation (Cortell, 2006; Ghadikolaei et al., 2018) are:

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= 0, \\
\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{g}{\rho} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} &= \frac{1}{\text{\textmu}} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2uv \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \right) - \frac{\sigma B^2}{\rho} (u + \beta \nu \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + g \beta \nu (T - T_w)), \\
\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + v \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} &= (\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{c_p} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{c_p} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2}.
\end{align*}
\]

where, \((u, v)\) are the components of velocity in \((x, y)\) directions, \( v = \frac{\nu}{\text{\textmu}} \) is the kinematic viscosity, \( \mu \) is the dynamic viscosity, \( \beta \) is the relaxation time, \( y \) is the retardation time, \( \rho \) is density of fluid, \( \sigma \) is the electric conductivity, \( B_o \) is the uniform magnetic fluid, \( g \) is the gravitational acceleration, \( \beta_f \) is the coefficient of thermal expansion, \( T \) is temperature of fluid, \( \alpha \left( = \frac{k}{\rho c} \right) \) is the thermal diffusivity, \( k \) the fluid thermal conductivity, \( \rho c \) the fluid capacity heat and \( c_p \) is the specific heat of a fluid at constant pressure.

The relevant boundary conditions are defined as:

\[
\begin{align*}
u &= u_w = cx, \quad v = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad y = 0, \quad c > 0, \\
u &\rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad y \rightarrow \infty, \\
T &= T_w = (T_w + Ax^2) \quad \text{at} \quad y = 0, \quad T \rightarrow T_w \quad \text{as} \quad y \rightarrow \infty,
\end{align*}
\]

where, \( c \) is the rate of stretching, \( T_w \). \( T_w \) are constants, and \( s \) is the parameter wall temperature.
2.2. Transformation

Introducing the following dimensionless variables (Cortell, 2006; Ghadikolaei et al., 2018),

\[ u = c x f'(\eta), \quad v = -(c u)^{\frac{1}{2}} f(\eta), \quad \eta = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\beta}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_0}{T_w - T_0} \text{ and } E = \frac{c^2}{\alpha P_c} \]  

(7)

Utilizing Eq. 7, Eq. 1 is satisfied automatically and Eqs. 2 and 3 characterize to the following problems statement,

\[ f'''' + f''' - f''^2 + \beta_1 (2 f' f'' - f''') + \beta_2 (2 f f'' - f'''^2 - f''^2) - M^2 f' + \lambda \theta = 0 \]  

(8)

\[ \theta'' + Pr f' \theta' - s Pr f' \theta = -Pr E (f'')^2 x^2 - s. \]  

(9)

It is clear from Eq. 9 that all solutions are then of a similar type. If \( s = 2 \), and the effect of dissipative heat is neglected (Cortell, 2006), then we obtain the simpler equation from Eq. 9:

\[ \theta'' + Pr f' \theta' - s Pr f' \theta = 0, \]  

(10)

Here, \( \beta_1(=\beta c) \) is Deborah number in terms of retardation time while \( \beta_2(=\gamma c) \) is Deborah number in terms of retardation time, \( M = \sqrt{\alpha B_\theta \gamma / c p} \) is the Hartman number, \( \lambda = \frac{\alpha x}{k E} \) is the mixed convection parameter, \( Pr = \frac{c}{\alpha} \) is the Prandtl number and \( E = \frac{c^2}{\alpha P_c} \) is the Eckert number.

The related boundary conditions:

\[ \begin{align*}
 f &= 0, f' = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \eta = 0, \\
 f' &= 0, f'' = 0 \quad \text{as} \quad \eta \to \infty, \\
 \theta(0) &= 1, \quad \theta(\infty) \to 0.
\end{align*} \]  

(11, 12, 13)

3. Solution the problem

3.1. Procedure of computational

Here successive linearization method (SLM) (Makukula et al., 2020b; Salah et al., 2019; Ahmed et al., 2015) is implemented to obtain the numerical solutions for nonlinear systems in Eqs. 8 and 10 corresponding to the boundary condition in Eqs. 11–13.

For SLM solution we select the initial guess functions \( f(\eta) \) and \( \theta(\eta) \) in the form,

\[ f(\eta) = f_i(\eta) + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F_m(\eta), \quad \theta(\eta) = \theta_i(\eta) + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} \theta_m(\eta), \]  

(14)

Here, the two functions \( f_i(\eta) \) and \( \theta_i(\eta) \) are representative of unknown functions. \( F_m(\eta), m \geq 1, \theta_m(\eta), m \geq 1 \) are a successive approximation, which are obtained by recursively solving the linear part of the equation that results from substituting Eq. 14 in the governing equations. The mean idea of SLM that the assumption of unknown function \( f_i(\eta) \) and \( \theta_i(\eta) \) are very small when \( i \) becomes larger, therefore, the nonlinear terms in \( f_i(\eta), \theta_i(\eta) \) and their derivatives are considered to be smaller and thus neglected. The initial guess functions \( F_0(\eta), \theta_0(\eta) \) which are selected to satisfy the boundary conditions,

\[ F_0(\eta) = 0, \quad F'_0(\eta) = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \eta = 0, \]  

(15)

\[ F'_0(\eta) \to 0, F''_0(\eta) \to 0 \quad \text{at} \quad \eta \to \infty, \]  

\[ \theta_0(0) = 1, \quad \theta_0(\infty) \to 0. \]  

(16)

which are taken to be in the form,

\[ F_0(\eta) = (1 - e^{-\eta}) \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_0(\eta) = e^{-\eta}. \]  

(17)

Therefore, beginning from the initial guess, the subsequent solution \( F_i \) and \( \theta_i \) are calculated by successively solving the linearized from the equation, which is obtained by substituting Eq. 14 in the governing Eqs. 8 and 10. Then we arrive at the linearized equations to be solved are:

\[ a_{2i-1} F''_i + a_{2i} F'_i + a_{2i-1} F''_i + a_{2i} F'_i + a_{2i+1} F_i + 2 \beta_1 = r_{2i-1}, \]  

(17)

\[ b_{2i-1} F''_i + b_{2i} F'_i + b_{2i-1} F''_i + b_{2i} F'_i + b_{2i+1} F_i + b_{2i+1} F''_i = r_{2i-1}. \]  

(18)

Subject to the boundary conditions,

\[ F_i(0) = \theta_i(0) = 0, \quad F'_i(0) = \theta'_i(0) = 1, \]  

(19)

where, the coefficients parameters \( a_{k,i-1}, b_{k,i-1} (k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5), (h = 1, 2, 3, 4) \) and \( r_{j,i-1} \) are defined as,

\[ a_{2i-1} = 1 + \beta_1 \left( \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F_m \right)^2 + 2 \beta_2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m, \]  

\[ a_{2i+1} = \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F_m + 2 \beta_1 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - 2 \beta_2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m, \]  

\[ a_{2i+1} = -2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - M^2 + 2 \beta_1 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F_m + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - 2 \beta_2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m, \]  

\[ a_{2i} = -2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - M^2 + 2 \beta_1 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - 2 \beta_2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m, \]  

(20)

\[ b_{2i-1} = -2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - M^2 + 2 \beta_1 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m + \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F''_m - 2 \beta_2 \sum_{m=0}^{i-1} F'_m, \]  

(21)

When we solve Eqs. 8 and 10 iteratively, the solution for \( F_i \) and \( \theta_i \) has been obtained and finally after \( K \) iterations the solution \( f(\eta) \) and \( \theta(\eta) \) can be written as \( f(\eta) \approx \sum_{m=0}^{K} F_m(\eta), \theta(\eta) \approx \sum_{m=0}^{K} \theta_m(\eta) \).
In order to apply SLM, firstly, transform the domain solution from $[0, \infty)$ to $[-1,1]$. SLM is based on the Chebyshev spectral collection method. This method is depending on the Chebyshev polynomials defined on the interval $[-1,1]$. Thus, by using the truncation of the domain approach where the problem is solved in the interval $[0,L]$, where $L$ is a scaling parameter used to impose the boundary condition at infinity. Thus, this can be obtained via the transformation,

$$
\frac{y}{L} = \frac{\xi + 1}{2}, \quad -1 \leq \xi \leq 1.
$$

(22)

By using the Gauss-Lobatto collocation points, we can discretize the domain $[-1,1]$ as follows:

$$
\xi = \cos \frac{\pi j}{N}, \quad F_i \approx \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{N} F_k T_k(\xi_j)}, \quad j = 0,1,...,N,
$$

(23)

where $N$ is the number of collection points and $T_k$ is the $k^{th}$ Chebyshev polynomial given by $T_k(\xi) = \cos[k \cos^{-1}(\xi)]$.

The derivatives of the variable at the collocation points are in the form,

$$
\frac{d^r F_i}{d\xi^r} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{N} D_{kj} F_k(\xi_j)}, \quad j = 0,1,...,N,
$$

(24)

where $r$ is the order of differentiation and $D = \frac{2}{L} D$ with $D$ is the Chebyshev spectral differentiation matrix. Substituting Eqs. 22 to 24 into Eqs. 17 and 18 we arrive at the matrix equation:

$$
A_{i-1} X_i = R_{i-1},
$$

(25)

where,

$$
A_{i-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad X_{i-1} = \begin{bmatrix} F_i \\ R_{i-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad R_{i-1} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{1,i-1} \\ r_{2,i-1} \end{bmatrix},
$$

$$
A_{11} = a_{1,1} D^4 + a_{2,1} D^3 + a_{3,1} D^2 + a_{4,1} D + a_{5,1}, \quad A_{12} = \lambda_1,
$$

$$
A_{21} = b_{1,1} D + b_{2,1}, \quad A_{22} = D^2 + b_{3,1} D + b_{4,1}.
$$

(26)

Following the above procedure, we can obtain the solution as $X_i = A_{i-1}^{-1} R_{i-1}$

3.2. Convergence analysis

The convergence for numerical values of $-f''(0)$ for different order of approximation when $M = 0.50, \beta_1 = 0.20, \beta_2 = 0.01, Pr = 1.00$ and $\lambda = 0.20$ is shown in Table 1.

3.3. Numerical scheme testing

The aim here is to test our numerical results and compare them with published works results in the literature as limiting cases situations. Thus, we compare the present results with the available results in reference (Cortell, 2006; Ghadikolaei et al., 2018; Waqas et al., 2017; Megahed, 2013; Sadeghy et al., 2006; Mukhopadhyay, 2012). It is found that our results are in excellent agreement with those of Cortell (2006), Ghadikolaei et al. (2018), Waqas et al. (2017), Megahed (2013), Sadeghy et al. (2006), and Mukhopadhyay (2012) as shown in Tables 2-5.

Table 1: The convergence for numerical values of $-f''(0)$ for different order of approximation when $M = 0.50, \beta_1 = 0.20, \beta_2 = 0.01, Pr = 1.00$ and $\lambda = 0.20$

| Order of approximation | $-f''(0)$ | $-\theta''(0)$ |
|------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1                      | 1.0145745392 | 1.3289761386 |
| 5                      | 1.0458522661 | 1.3178799143 |
| 10                     | 1.0625824983 | 1.3109580206 |
| 20                     | 1.0721565956 | 1.3070530958 |
| 30                     | 1.0735889692 | 1.3065067051 |
| 50                     | 1.0737954104 | 1.3064333815 |
| 70                     | 1.0737972453 | 1.3064330634 |
| 100                    | 1.0737971920 | 1.3064330634 |
| 120                    | 1.0737971913 | 1.3064330634 |
| 140                    | 1.0737971911 | 1.3064330634 |
| 150                    | 1.0737971911 | 1.3064330634 |

Table 2: Comparison of numerical values of $-f''(0)$ with references (Waqas et al. 2017) and (Megahed 2013) for several values of $\beta_1$, $\beta_2$, $Pr$, and $\lambda = 0.00$

| $\beta_1$ | Present work |
|------------|--------------|
| $\beta_2$ | Present work |
| $Pr$       | Present work |
| $\lambda$ | Present work |

Table 3: Comparative analysis of numerical values of $-f''(0)$ with References (Sadeghy et al. 2006) and (Mukhopadhyay 2012) for several values of $\beta_1$, $\beta_2$, $Pr$, and $\lambda = 0.00$

| $\beta_1$ | Present work |
|------------|--------------|
| $\beta_2$ | Present work |
| $Pr$       | Present work |
| $\lambda$ | Present work |

Table 4: Comparison of numerical values of $f(n)$ with Ghadikolaei et al. (2018) when $M = \beta_1 = Pr = 0.00$ and $\beta_2 = 0.01$

| $\beta_2$ | Present work |
|------------|--------------|
| $n$        | Present work |

4. Results and discussion

In this section, we present the graphs obtained using the successive linear method of speed and temperature profiles. These drawings show differences in the flow parameters included in the solution expressions for the heat transfer analysis of the non-compressible MHD flow of Oldroyd-B liquid on an extended plate channel. Physical explanations...
and the behavioural parameters of the problem are discussed in Fig. 1 to Fig. 10.

| $\beta_2$ | $\eta$ | Present work | Cortell (2006) |
|---------|--------|--------------|---------------|
| 0       | 0.01   | 1.334733     | 1.334733      |
| 0.1     | 0.01   | 1.50410     | 1.50382       |
| 0.2     | 0.01   | 0.993973    | 0.994026      |
| 0.5     | 0.01   | 0.650461    | 0.650523      |
| 1       | 0.01   | 0.35684     | 0.356543      |
| 2       | 0.01   | 0.102150    | 0.102133      |
| 3       | 0.01   | -            | 0.034583      |
| 4       | 0.01   | -            | 0.012274      |
| 5       | 0.01   | 0.004444    | 0.004441      |
| 10      | 0.01   | $2 \times 10^{-5}$ | 0.000029      |

These figures are drawn to illustrate these differences. Here the flow diagrams of the MHD heat transfer flow of the Oldroyd-B fluid fixed on the expansion board are determined. In Fig. 1 we can see the effects of the applied magnetic field (Hartmann’s number) $M$ on the velocity profile. By maintaining $\beta_1, Pr, \lambda$ its stability and contrast $M$, it turns out that the velocity profile decreases when the magnetic field parameter $M$ becomes larger. From the physical side, we notice that when we increase its value, the flow on the profile $f'(\eta)$ of speed decreases, in fact due to the effect of the transverse magnetic field on the electrically conductive fluid, which produces a Lorentz-type resistance force that tends to slow the movement of the fluid and limits its movement and speed. Fig. 2 shows that for the strong magnetic force imposed, this leads to a large temperature, and this is due to the fact that in the strong magnetic foreground, Lorenz’s force becomes dominant, and then the result increases the temperature of the liquid. Fig. 3 illustrates the effects of the mixed convection parameter $\lambda$ on the velocity profile when $\beta_1, Pr, M$ are constant. It should be noted that by increasing the $\lambda$ parameter, buoyancy increases due to increased gravity and as a result increases speed. Besides, the thickness of the large $\lambda$ border layer is also increasing. In Fig. 4, we illustrate that for a larger size of $\lambda$, this may lead to an increase in coil temperature (this is very much related to the decrease in the thickness of the boundary layer). Fig. 5 is plotted for the Prandtl number $Pr$ variance $\theta(\eta)$. Note that for a large $Pr$, the thermal field is lower and then reduces the temperature. In fact, the Prandtl number assists liquids in higher thermal conductivity and this creates a thicker thermal boundary layer of large. It is noted that from Fig. 6, Prandtl number $Pr$ has the same effect on the same temperature. The effect of the Deborah number $\beta_1$ on the velocity distribution $f'(\eta)$ is shown by Fig. 7 and Fig. 8. In fact, comes mainly because of the relaxation time phenomena. A lot leads to a longer relaxation time that interferes with the flow of liquid, and then the thickness of the momentum layer is reduced. Fig. 8 illustrates the effect of $\beta_1$ on temperature profile over the sheet, and we note that by increasing in $\beta_1$ parameter is seen to decrease and reducing in the liquid temperature $\theta(\eta)$.

Physically, that is, for the larger parameter, the thermal border layer becomes thicker. Finally, Fig. 9 and Fig. 10 show an effect of $\beta_2$ on the velocity and temperature profiles on the paper, and note that by increasing the parameter $\beta_2$ the effect is seen to be very small for both features. Moreover, the second grade, Maxwell and viscous cases are retrieved by setting $\beta_1 = 0$, $\beta_2 = 0$, and $\beta_2 = \beta_2 = 0$.

![Fig. 1: Effects of Hartman number M for f'(\eta)](image1)

![Fig. 2: Effects of Hartman number M for \theta(\eta)](image2)

![Fig. 3: Effects of mixed convection parameter \lambda for f'(\eta)](image3)
Fig. 4: Effects of mixed convection parameter $\lambda$ for $\theta(\eta)$

Fig. 5: Effects of Prandtl number $Pr$ for $\theta(\eta)$

Fig. 6: Effects of Prandtl number $Pr$ for $f'(\eta)$

Fig. 7: Effects of Deborah number $\beta_1$ for $f'(\eta)$

Fig. 8: Effects of Deborah number $\beta_1$ for $\theta(\eta)$

Fig. 9: Effects of Deborah number $\beta_2$ for $f'(\eta)$
5. Conclusion

In this research, the problem of MHD heat transfer of an incompressible Oldroyd–B fluid on a stretching sheet channel is solved numerically. The numerical solutions are well established by SLM. The influence of various parameters is shown through different graphs. The present results have been tested and compared with the available published results in Cortell (2006), Ghadikolaei et al. (2018) and Waqas et al. (2017), Megahed (2013), Sadeghy et al. (2006) and Mukhopadhyay (2012) in a limiting situation shown in Tables 2-5 and an excellent agreement is found.

Compliance with ethical standards

Conflict of interest

The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

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