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Effects of Viscous Dissipation on the Slip MHD Flow and Heat Transfer past a Permeable Surface with Convective Boundary Conditions

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Abstract: This paper presents an analysis of the energy exchange resulting from a 2D steady magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) flow past a permeable surface with partial slip in the presence of the viscous dissipation effect under convective heating boundary conditions. A magnetic field can effectively control the motion of an electrically conducting fluid in micro scale systems, which can be applied for fluid transportation. Local similarity solutions for the transformed governing equations are obtained, and the reduced ordinary differential equations solved numerically via an explicit Runge-Kutta (4, 5) formula, the Dormand-Prince pair and shooting method, which is valid for fixed positions along the surface. The effects of various physical parameters, such as the magnetic parameter, the slip coefficient, the suction/injection parameter, the Biot number, the Prandtl number and the Eckert number, on the flow and heat transfer characteristics are presented graphically and discussed. The results indicate that the heat transfer rate increases with the increase in Biot number, slip coefficient, suction and magnetic parameter, whereas it decreases with the increase in Eckert number and injection.

laminar Reynolds numbers, frictional effects in micro scale systems may change the energy equation [13]. Koo and Kleinstreuer [14] have investigated the effects of viscous dissipation on the temperature field using dimensional analysis and experimentally validated computer simulations. Three common working fluids—water, methanol and *iso*-propanol—in different conduit geometries have been considered in this study. The authors concluded that the channel size was a key factor that determines the impact of viscous dissipation. Furthermore, viscous dissipation effects may be very significant for fluids with high viscosities and low specific heat capacities, even at relatively low Reynolds numbers. Accordingly, the viscous dissipation term should be considered in the micro scale systems.

Many researchers have studied, both analytically and numerically, slip boundary layer problems over different surface configurations. For example, the mass transfer effect on the moving wall boundary layer has been investigated by Fang [15], who later extended his work by considering the velocity slip at the wall [16]. Martin and Boyd [17] have analyzed the slip flow and heat transfer past a flat surface at constant wall temperature. Their results demonstrate that the boundary layer equations can be used to study flow at MEMS scale and provide useful information to study the effects of rarefaction on the shear stress and structure of the flow. According to their boundary layer theory, there is no temperature jump in liquid fluids. Yazdi *et al.* [18] have investigated the slip flow boundary layer past flat surface at constant heat flux boundary conditions. In a later work [19], they have considered the effect of permeability parameter on the slip flow regime. The findings of this study indicate that mass suction has a significant effect on the fluid velocity adjacent to the wall in the presence of partial slip. Furthermore, the same research team also studied liquid flow past open parallel microchannels embedded within a surface [20,21]. A no-slip condition was applied between microchannels, whereas a slip condition was applied to the open parallel microchannels.

MHD steady flow and heat transfer of a second grade fluid saturated in porous space was investigated by Hayat *et al.* [22], who found that the horizontal component of velocity increased as the slip parameter increased. The effect of thermal slip condition over a permeable stretching sheet was taken into account in the work by Hayat *et al.* [23], whilst, more recently, Qasim *et al.* [24] added the effects of thermal radiation and ohmic dissipation. Fang *et al.* [25] have demonstrated that the second order slip flow model is necessary to predict the flow characteristics accurately. Abbas *et al.* [26] have examined the heat transfer problem around an oscillatory infinite sheet with slip boundary condition, concluding that an increase in the slip parameter leads to a reduction in amplitude of the flow velocity, while with the increase in the thermal slip parameter the heat transfer from the sheet to the fluid becomes slower. In a similar work, Fang *et al.* [27] have evaluated slip MHD boundary layer over stretching sheet. Recently, Yazdi *et al.* [28,29] have investigated MHD liquid flow over nonlinear permeable stretching surface in the presence of the partial slip and high-order chemical reactions.

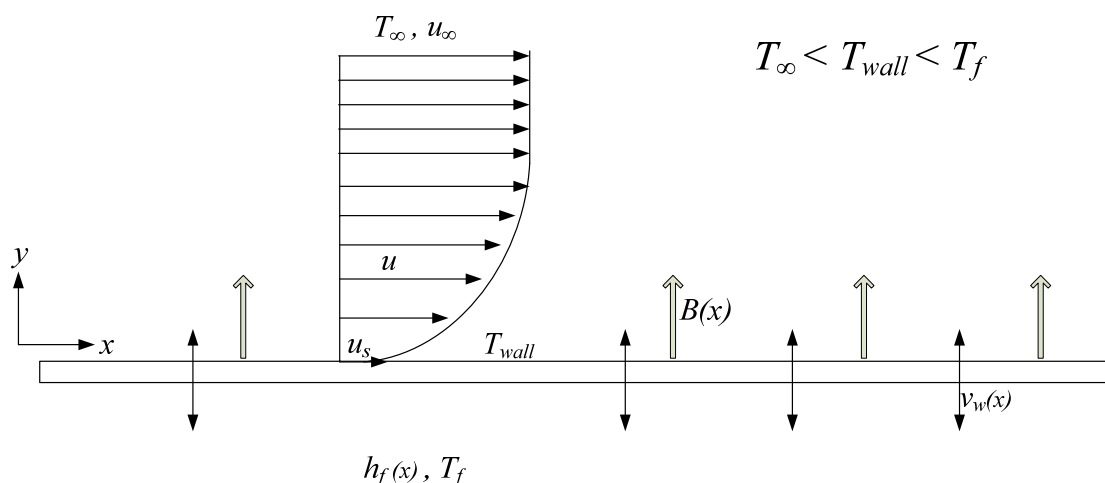
Unlike the common thermal boundary conditions, such as constant temperature or constant heat flux, Aziz [30] demonstrated that a similarity solution is possible if the convective heat transfer associated with the hot fluid on the lower surface of the plate is proportional to $x^{-0.5}$. These results were later improved by Ishak [31] with the addition of the permeability effect along the surface. Yao *et al.* [32] have investigated the convective boundary condition along a stretching/shrinking sheet. Recently, Rahman [33] has evaluated the MHD flow over a flat plate with partial slip subjected to the convective surface heat flux at the boundary. The study findings indicate that the local similarity solution should be applied due to the dependency of slip coefficient on x -coordinate. However, even

though problem plays a prominent role in the fluid flow and heat transfer control of micro scale systems, no attempt so far has been made to analyze MHD flow and heat transfer past a permeable surface with partial slip and viscous dissipation.

2. Mathematical Formulation

In the present work, we considered slip MHD flow and heat transfer past a permeable horizontal surface at a convective surface boundary condition in the presence of viscous dissipation effects. The flow configuration is illustrated in Figure 1.

Figure 1. Physical model of flow and heat transfer in the present work.



Let us assume that the fluid is incompressible, Newtonian and continuum with free stream velocity u_∞ and temperature T_∞ . Moreover, it is subjected to a transverse magnetic field applied in the vertical direction with varying strength B , as a function of x , is given by:

$$B(x) = B_0 x^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad B_0 \neq 0 \tag{1}$$

where x is the coordinate along the plate measured from the leading edge. Because the magnetic Reynolds number is assumed small, the induced magnetic field is negligible and can be ignored. Under these conditions, the effect of the induced magnetic field is negligible in comparison to the applied magnetic field and can thus be ignored. The fluid that decelerates due to the viscous action of the surface is propagated by the magnetic forces that counteract the viscous effect [34]. A permeable surface is considered with mass transfer velocity as a function of x :

$$v_w(x) = v_{w0} x^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad v_{w0} \neq 0 \tag{2}$$

Thus, the viscous dissipation term should be investigated in the slip flow regimes along a permeable surface, whereby the positive y -coordinate is measured perpendicular to the x -coordinate in the outward direction towards the fluid. The corresponding velocity components in the x and y directions are denoted as u and v , respectively. The bottom of the surface is heated due to convective heat transfer from a hot fluid at a temperature T_f , yielding a heat transfer coefficient h_f as a function of x , with its strength given as follows:

$$h_f(x) = h_{f0}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad h_{f0} \neq 0 \quad (3)$$

It is assumed that $T_f > T_{wall} > T_\infty$ as well as that the velocity gradients in the x -direction are small compared to those in the y -direction. Within the framework of the above-noted assumptions, the boundary layer equations governing the MHD convective flow and heat transfer in the presence of viscous dissipation are written in the usual notation as:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = v_\infty \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\sigma B^2}{\rho} u + \frac{\sigma B^2}{\rho} u_\infty \quad (5)$$

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{v_\infty}{c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (6)$$

where associated boundary conditions are given as:

$$\begin{aligned} y=0 &\Rightarrow u=u_s, \quad v=\pm v_w(x), \quad -k_T \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = h_f(T_f - T) \\ y \rightarrow \infty &\Rightarrow u=u_\infty, \quad T=T_\infty \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

The last term in the above momentum Equation (5) describes the pressure gradient, $\partial P / \partial x = \sigma B^2 u_\infty$ which is obtained from the momentum equation at the edge of the boundary layer [35]. Moreover, $v_w(x)$ is the mass transfer due to suction $v_w(x) < 0$ or injection $v_w(x) > 0$. The velocity slip, u_s is proportional to the local wall shear stress and is given by [17,18]:

$$u_s = l \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_w \quad (8)$$

where l is the slip length constant proportional to the velocity slip. For liquid fluids, l is described as the interaction length. Moreover, if the velocity profile is linearly extrapolated into the wall, the slip length would correspond to the depth at which the velocity would decline to zero [36]. However, if the fluid flow adjacent to the wall is in thermodynamic equilibrium, the no-slip boundary condition is applicable. Martin and Boyd [17] have indicated that the appropriate assumption for the flow of liquids at the micro scale systems is to neglect temperature jump, because of the lack of data on the thermal accommodation coefficient. The following similarity variables are used in the present work:

$$f'(\eta) = \frac{u}{u_\infty}, \quad \eta = y \sqrt{\frac{u_\infty}{v_\infty x}}, \quad v = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{u_\infty v_\infty}{x}} (\eta f' - f), \quad \theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_f - T_\infty} \quad (9)$$

It is also useful to introduce a slip coefficient using similarity variables:

$$f'(0) = K f''(0) \quad (10)$$

where K is the slip coefficient defined for liquids by:

$$K = l \sqrt{\frac{u_\infty}{x \nu_\infty}} \tag{11}$$

The slip coefficient K is a dimensionless parameter of the amount of slip, ranging from zero (total adhesion) to infinity (full slip). Now the fundamental partial differential Equations (5) and (6) can be transformed to ordinary differential equations by substituting similarity variables (9) into Equations (5) and (6) as follows:

$$f''' + \frac{1}{2} f f'' - M^2 f' + M^2 = 0 \tag{12}$$

$$\theta'' + \frac{\text{Pr}}{2} \theta f' + \text{Ec Pr} (f'')^2 = 0 \tag{13}$$

For these equations, the associated boundary conditions are given as:

$$\eta = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f'(0) = K f''(0) \\ f(0) = f_w \\ \theta'(0) = -a(1 - \theta(0)) \end{cases}, \quad \eta \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \begin{cases} f'(\infty) = 1 \\ \theta(\infty) = 0 \end{cases} \tag{14}$$

where a , f_w , Pr , Ec , and M represent the Biot number (the equivalent dimensionless convective heat transfer parameter), the suction/injection parameter, the Prandtl number, the Eckert number and the magnetic parameter, respectively:

$$f_w = \frac{-v_{w0}}{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{u_\infty \nu_\infty}}, \quad M^2 = \frac{\sigma B_0^2}{\rho u_\infty}, \quad \text{Ec} = \frac{u_\infty^2}{(T_f - T_\infty) c_p}, \quad a = \frac{h_{f_0}}{k_T} \sqrt{\frac{\nu_\infty}{u_\infty}}, \quad \text{Pr} = \frac{\nu_\infty}{\alpha} \tag{15}$$

It should be noted that f_w is negative for mass injection ($v_{w0} > 0$) cases and positive in the presence of suction ($v_{w0} < 0$) at the surface. From the definitions (15), it is clear that f_w , a and M are independent of x . Moreover, the Biot number a is a ratio of the internal thermal resistance of the plate to the boundary layer thermal resistance of the hot fluid at the bottom of the surface. Thus, as the only parameter that exhibits a dependence on the x -coordinate is slip coefficient K , the problem must be solved locally. Consequently, given the fixed values of the x -coordinate the local similarity solution would be achieved correctly for momentum and energy equations. The nonlinear differential Equations (12) and (13) are solved numerically as a one-way coupled problem by applying the explicit Runge-Kutta (4, 5) formula, the Dormand-Prince pair and the shooting method, subject to the associated boundary conditions (14). Finally, the skin friction coefficient and the local surface heat flux can be obtained as follows:

$$C_f = \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_\infty^2} = \frac{\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Big|_{y=0}}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_\infty^2} = 2 \text{Re}_x^{-\frac{1}{2}} f''(0), \quad q_x'' = -k_T (T_f - T_\infty) \sqrt{\frac{u_\infty}{\nu_\infty x}} \theta'(0) \tag{16}$$

3. Results and Discussion

A comparison of the velocity gradient, temperature distribution, and temperature gradient adjacent to the wall between the present results, using the Dormand-Prince pair and the shooting method, and those obtained previously are shown in Table 1. It is evident that our results are well-matched with the previous convective surface boundary condition problem of Aziz [30] and Ishak [31]. An excellent agreement is also reached with the results of a slip-flow problem of Rahman [33], obtained by Nachtsheim-Swigert iteration procedure for $Pr = 1, M = 1$.

Table 1. Comparison of the velocity gradient at the wall $f''(0)$, temperature distribution $\theta(0)$, and temperature gradient $|\theta'(0)|$ at the wall between the present results and those obtained previously.

M	Pr	K	a	Rahman			Aziz	Ishak	Present results		
				[33]	[33]	[33]	[30]	[31]	$f''(0)$	$\theta(0)$	$ \theta'(0) $
1	1	0	0.01	1.0440	0.0236	0.0098			1.0440	0.0237	0.0098
			0.5	1.0440	0.5478	0.2261			1.0440	0.5480	0.2261
			1	1.0440	0.7078	0.2921			1.0440	0.7078	0.2920
		0.5	0.01	0.6987	0.0208	0.0098			0.6987	0.0209	0.0098
			0.5	0.6987	0.5163	0.2418			0.6987	0.5164	0.2417
			1	0.6987	0.6811	0.3189			0.6987	0.6812	0.3188
0	0.72	0	0.05			0.0428	0.0428	0.0428			0.0428
			0.1			0.0747	0.0747	0.0747			0.0747
			0.2			0.1193	0.1193	0.1193			0.1193
			0.4			0.1701	0.1700	0.1699			0.1700
			0.6			0.1981	0.1981	0.1980			0.1980
			0.8			0.2160	0.2159	0.2159			0.2159
			1			0.2282	0.2282	0.2282			0.2282
			5			0.2793	0.2791	0.2791			0.2791
10			0.2873	0.2871	0.2871			0.2871			
			20			0.2915	0.2913	0.2913			0.2913

3.1. Effects on Velocity Field and Friction

Figure 2(a),(b) shows the velocity profiles $f'(\eta)$ and velocity gradient $f''(\eta)$, respectively, for various values of the suction/injection parameter when $K = 0.5$ and $M = 0.5$. Since in this case the similarity solution is local, *i.e.* the results are obtained at a specific location on the wall (x -coordinate), η corresponds to distances perpendicular to that point (y). In the presence of suction, the velocity profiles tend to increase monotonically, and the boundary layer becomes thinner. On the other hand, increased injection tends to enhance the boundary layer thicknesses. Thus, it is evident that, in the slip flow regime, velocity adjacent to the wall can be manipulated through suction/injection parameter. Moreover, the interception point between velocity gradient profiles suggests faster decrements for high suction at the wall.

Figure 2. Distribution of velocity (a) and velocity gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of f_w when $K = 0.5, M = 0.5$.

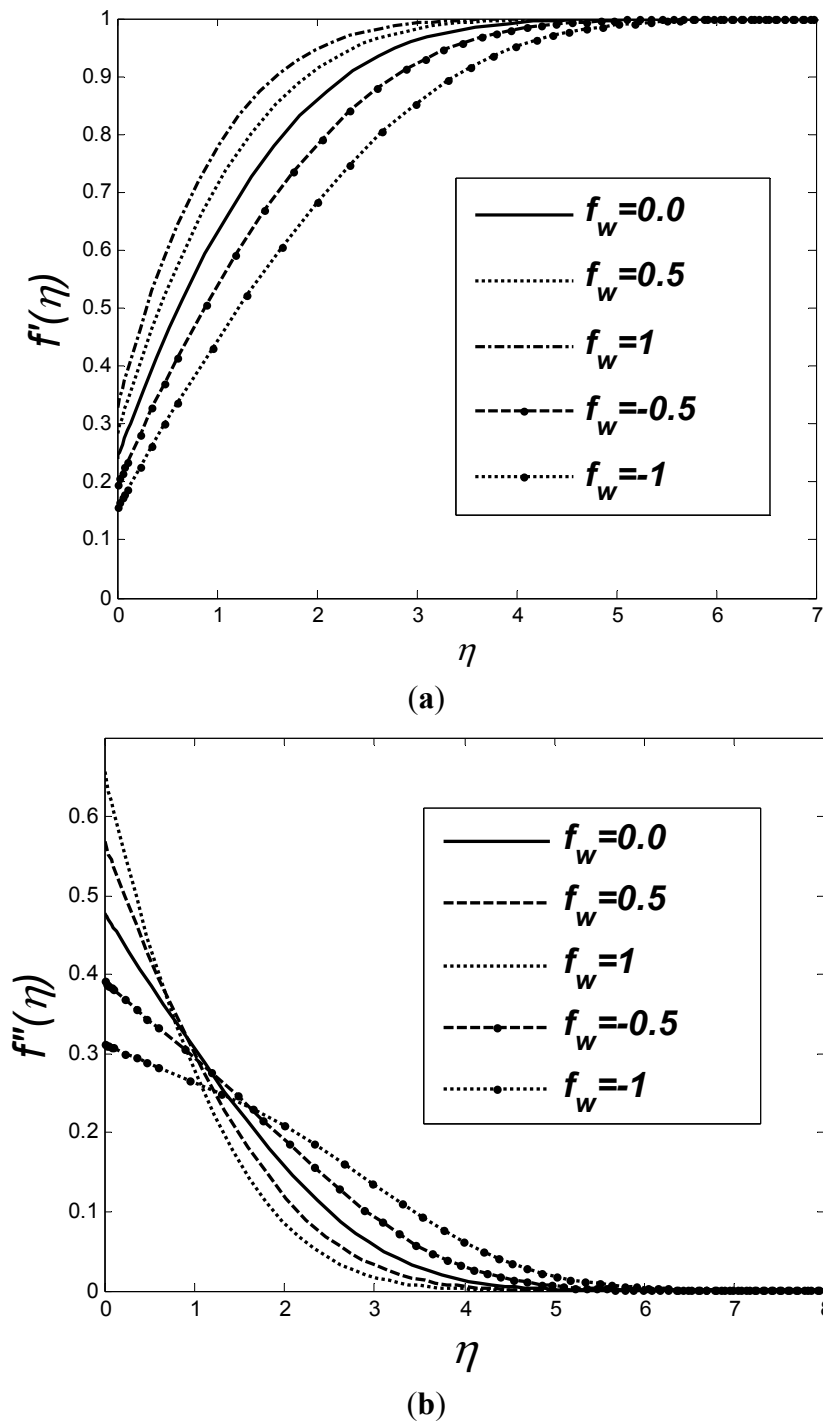
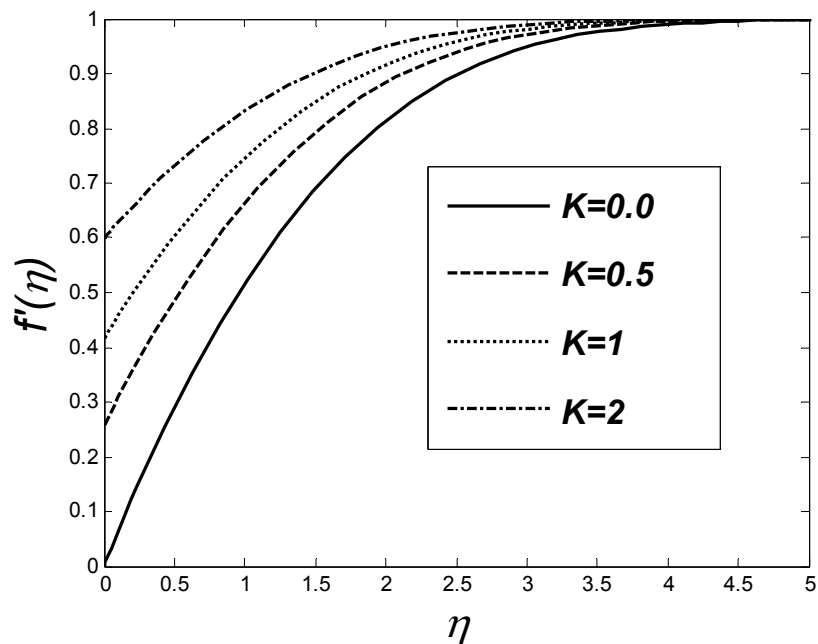
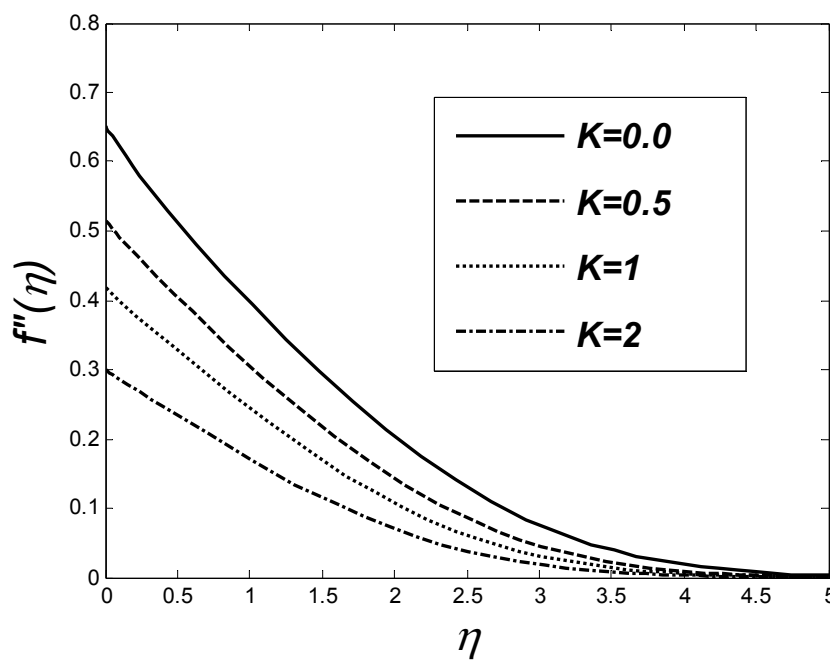


Figure 3(a),(b) illustrate the variation of the velocity $f(\eta)$ and velocity gradient $f''(\eta)$ profiles, respectively, for various values of slip coefficient K when $f_w = 0.2$ and $M = 0.5$. It is noted that an increase in K corresponds to a rise in the fluid velocity adjacent to the wall. Consequently, the wall velocity gradient decreases. Moreover, the boundary layer thickness becomes thinner in the slip flow regime.

Figure 3. Distribution velocity (a) and velocity gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of K when $M = 0.5, f_w = 0.2$.



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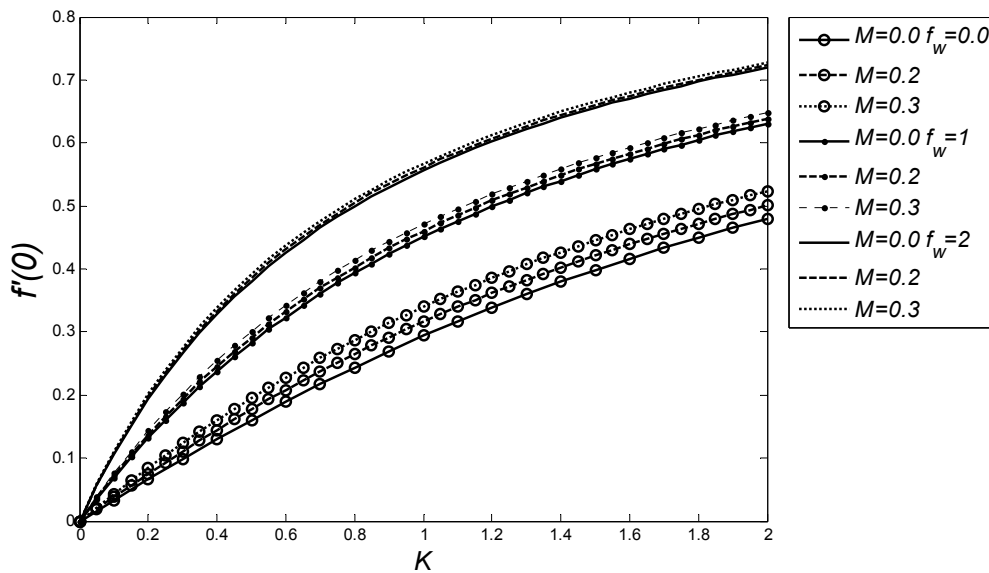


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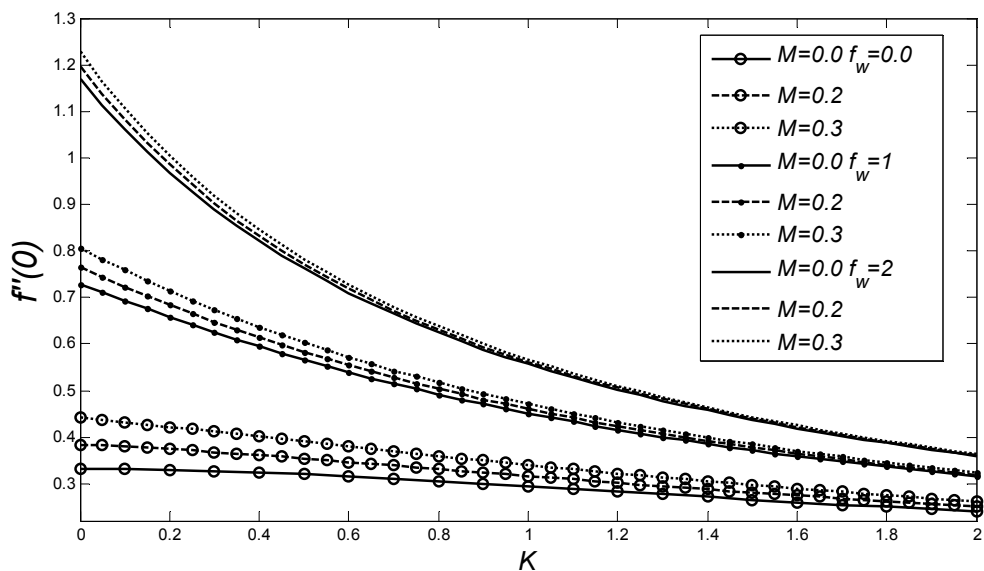
The combined effect of the slip coefficient K , the suction/injection parameter f_w and magnetic parameter M on the velocity and velocity gradient adjacent to the wall has been illustrated in Figure 4(a),(b), respectively. It is evident that an increase in all magnetic parameter, suction and slip coefficient tends to increase fluid velocity adjacent to the wall. Moreover, in the presence of the slip, the magnetic parameter can increase fluid velocity both inside the boundary layer and adjacent to the wall effectively. As the sum of last two terms of the momentum equation is positive, fluid motion in the boundary layer region increases as a result of Lorentz force. Consequently, the electrically

conducting fluid receives a push from the magnetic force—the mechanism by which the magnetic field has the potential to manipulate an electrically conducting fluid in the micro scale system. Finally, it can be observed that skin friction coefficient increases with the increase of magnetic parameter and suction, while slip coefficient shows an opposite effect.

Figure 4. (a) Variation of the $f'(0)$ and (b) $f''(0)$ as a function of K for various values of f_w and M .



(a)



(b)

3.2. Effects on Temperature Field and Heat Transfer

The dimensionless temperature (η) and temperature gradient $|\theta'(\eta)|$ profiles for different values of the Biot number a (0.1, 1, 5 or 100, corresponding to an increase in convective heating) when $Pr = 7$, $K = 0.5$, $f_w = 0.2$, $Ec = 0$ and $M = 0.5$ are shown in Figure 5(a),(b), respectively. Given that convective heating increases with Biot number, $a \rightarrow \infty$ simulates the isothermal surface, shown in Figure 5(a),

where $\theta(0) = 1$ as $a \rightarrow \infty$. In fact, a high Biot number indicates that the internal thermal resistance of the plate is higher than the boundary layer thermal resistance. As a result, these figures illustrate that an increase in the Biot number leads to increase of both fluid temperature and temperature gradient, efficiently.

Figure 5. Distribution of temperature (a) and temperature gradient (b) as function of η for various values of Biot number a when $Pr = 7, K = 0.5, f_w = 0.2, Ec = 0$ and $M = 0.5$.

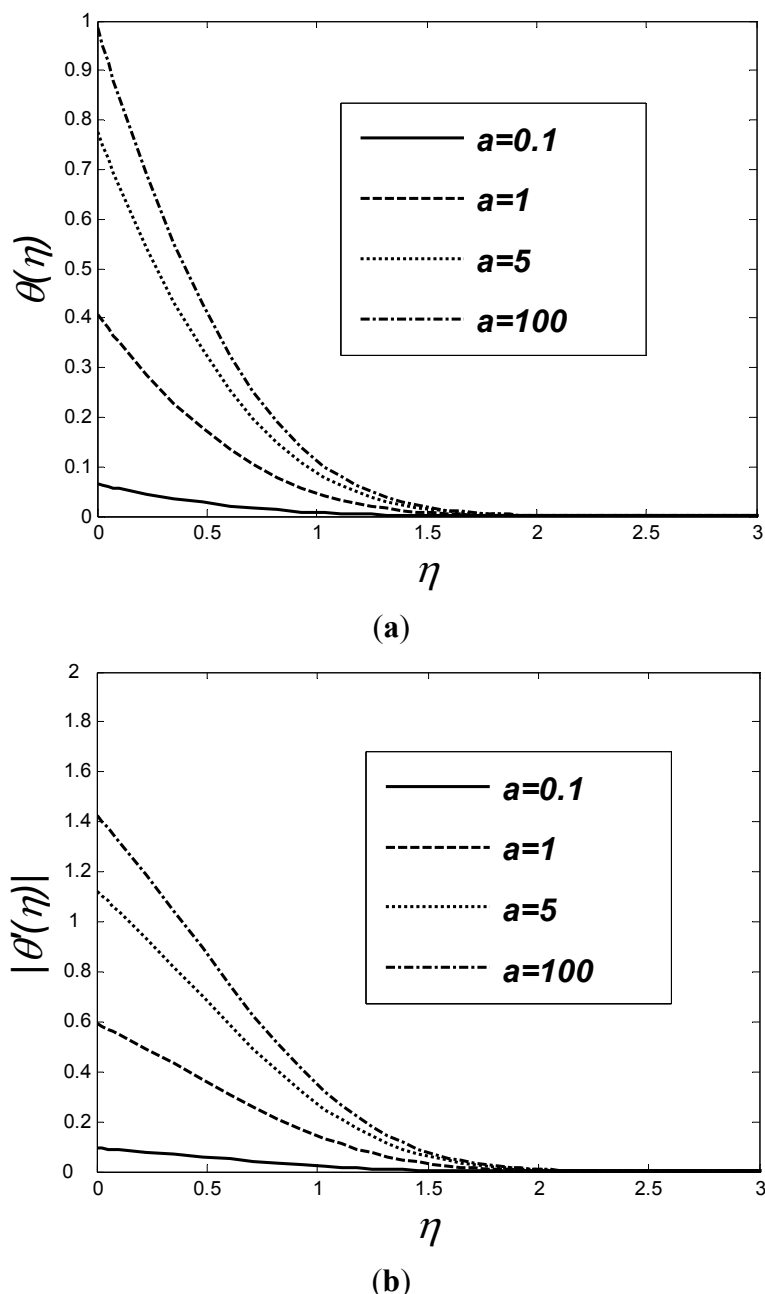
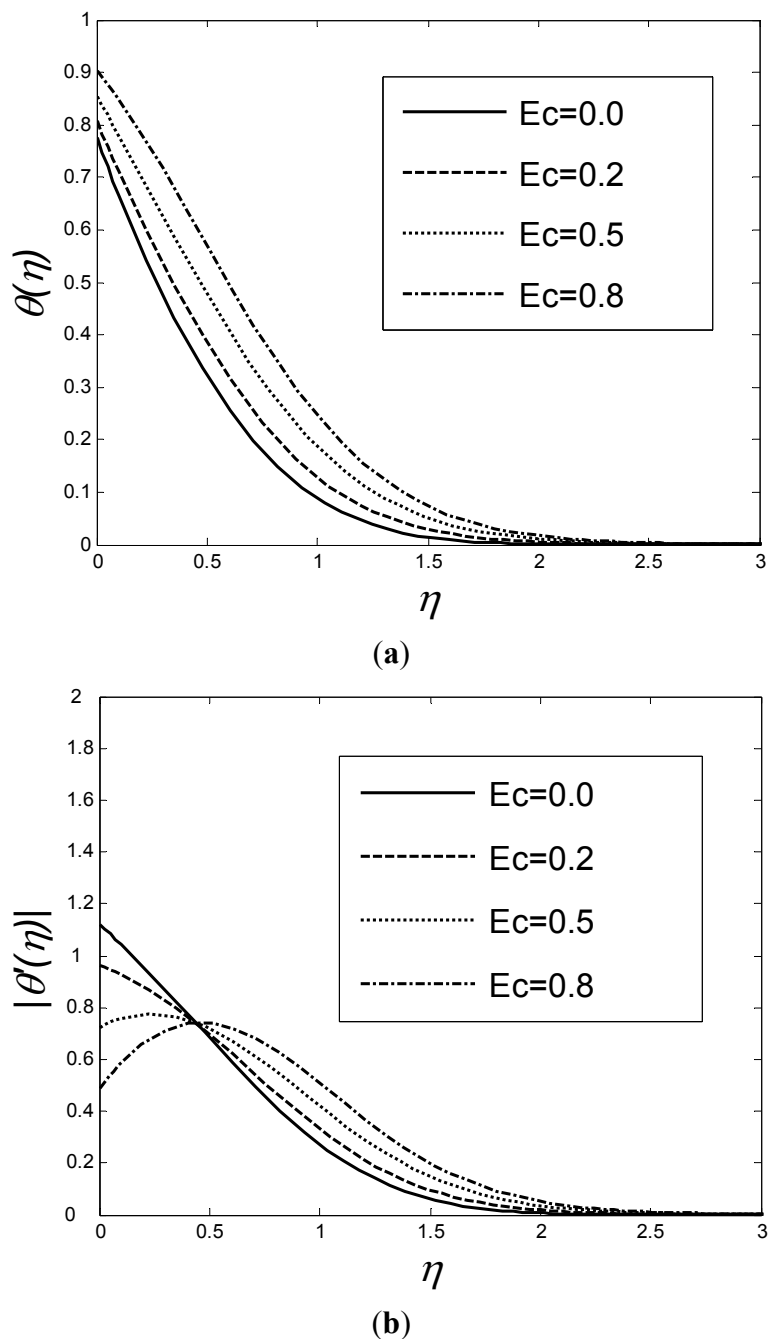


Figure 6(a),(b) depicts dimensionless temperature and temperature gradient for various values of Ec when $a = 5, K = 0.5, f_w = 0.2, Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.5$. Although an increase in the temperature profiles, as well as the thickness of the boundary layer, is observed with an increase in the Eckert number, it yields a decrease in the rate of heat transfer. Thus, by varying the Eckert number, the wall temperature distribution can be manipulated. Figure 6(b) depicts the heat transfer rate decrease with the Eckert

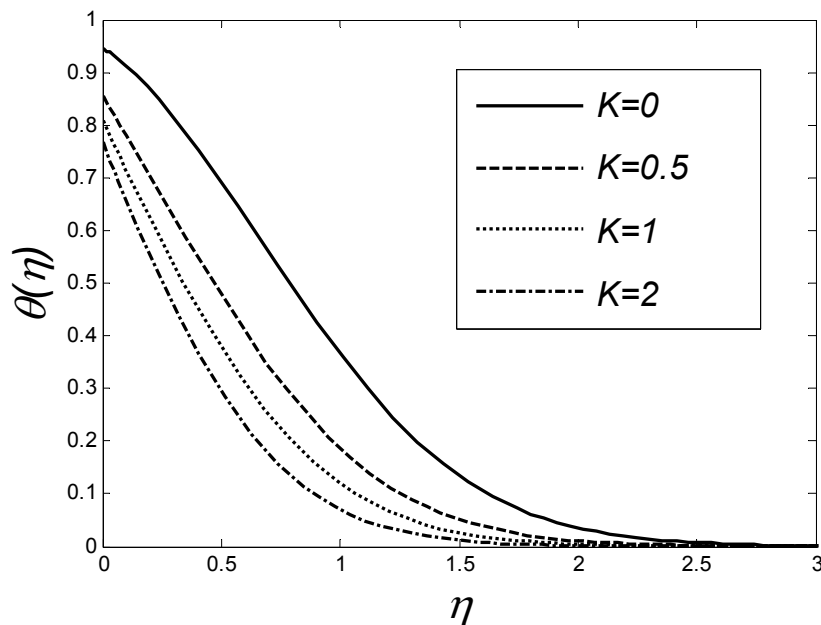
number, where the interception point between temperature gradient profiles, indicates faster decrement for lower Eckert numbers.

Figure 6. Distribution of temperature (a) and temperature gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of Ec when $a = 5, K = 0.5, f_w = 0.2, Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.5$.

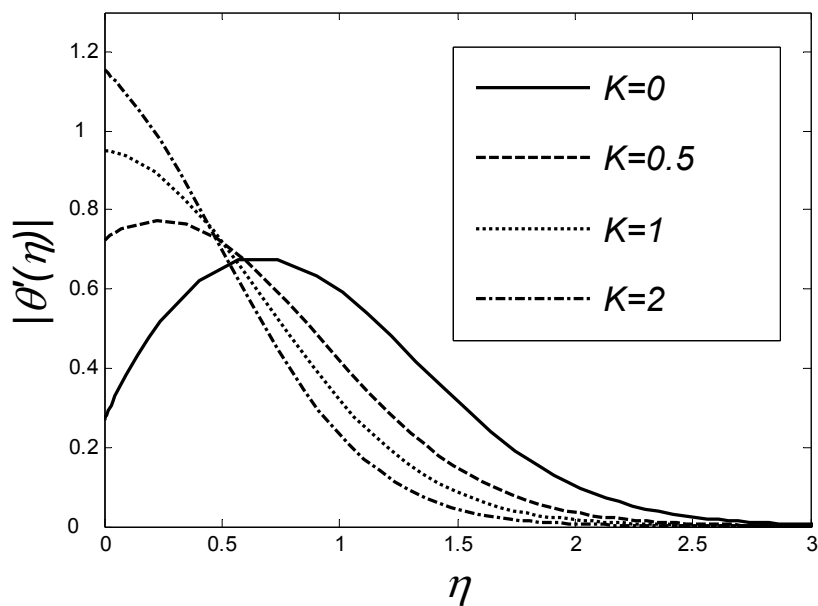


Temperature profiles and the corresponding gradients for various values of K at $Pr = 7, Ec = 0.5, f_w = 0.2, a = 5$ and $M = 0.5$ are shown in Figure 7(a),(b) respectively. It is evident that, at high slip coefficients, the temperature reduces faster and the boundary layer becomes thinner. This suggests that the heat transfer rate of liquids increases significantly with the increase of slip flow coefficient, as the change from 0 to 2 yields an increase in the heat transfer rate over surface structure by up to around 75%.

Figure 7. Distribution of temperature (a) and temperature gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of K when $Pr = 7$, $Ec = 0.5$, $f_w = 0.2$, $a = 5$ and $M = 0.5$.



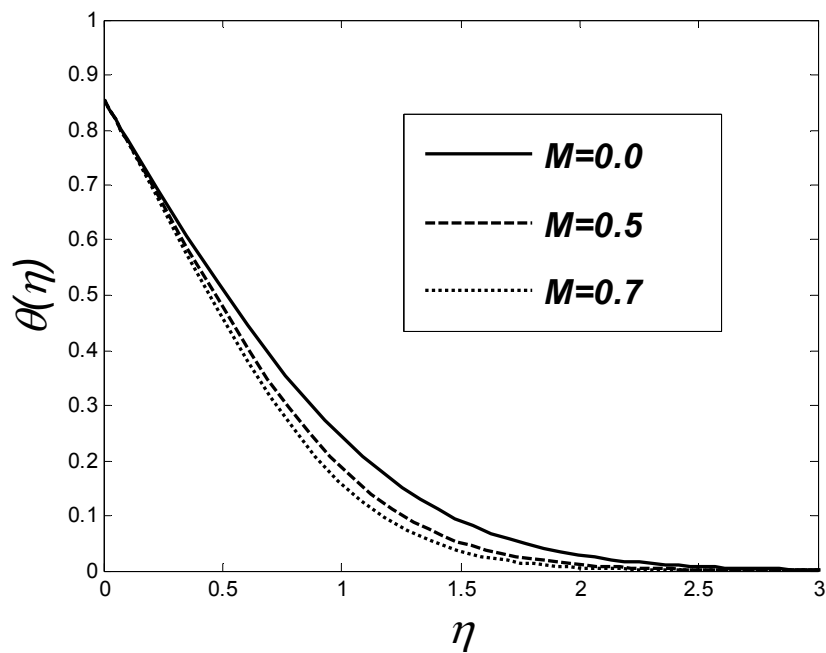
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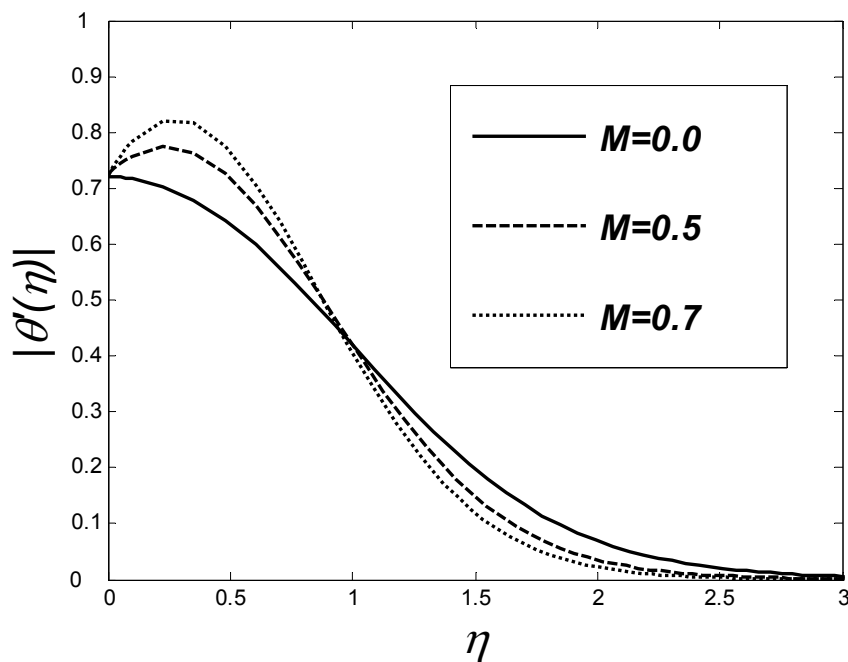
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Figure 8(a),(b) shows the effect of magnetic parameter on temperature and temperature gradient profiles, respectively, when $Pr = 7$, $Ec = 0.5$, $f_w = 0.2$, $K = 0.5$ and $a = 5$. It is evident that the increase of the magnetic parameter results in the decrease of temperature profiles. Moreover, the interception point between temperature gradient profiles suggests faster decrements for high magnetic parameters.

Figure 8. Distribution of temperature (a) and temperature gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of M when $Pr = 7$, $Ec = 0.5$, $f_w = 0.2$, $K = 0.5$ and $a = 5$.



(a)



(b)

Figure 9(a),(b) depicts the temperature and the corresponding gradient profiles for various values of Prandtl number when $K = 0.5$, $a = 5$, $f_w = 0.2$, $M = 0.5$ and $Ec = 0.5$, indicating that an increase in the Prandtl number results in a faster decrease in the temperature profiles as well as the thickness of the boundary layer, causing the increase in the heat transfer rate.

Figure 9. Distribution of temperature (a) and temperature gradient (b) as a function of η for various values of Pr when $K = 0.5, a = 5, f_w = 0.2, M = 0.5$ and $Ec = 0.5$.

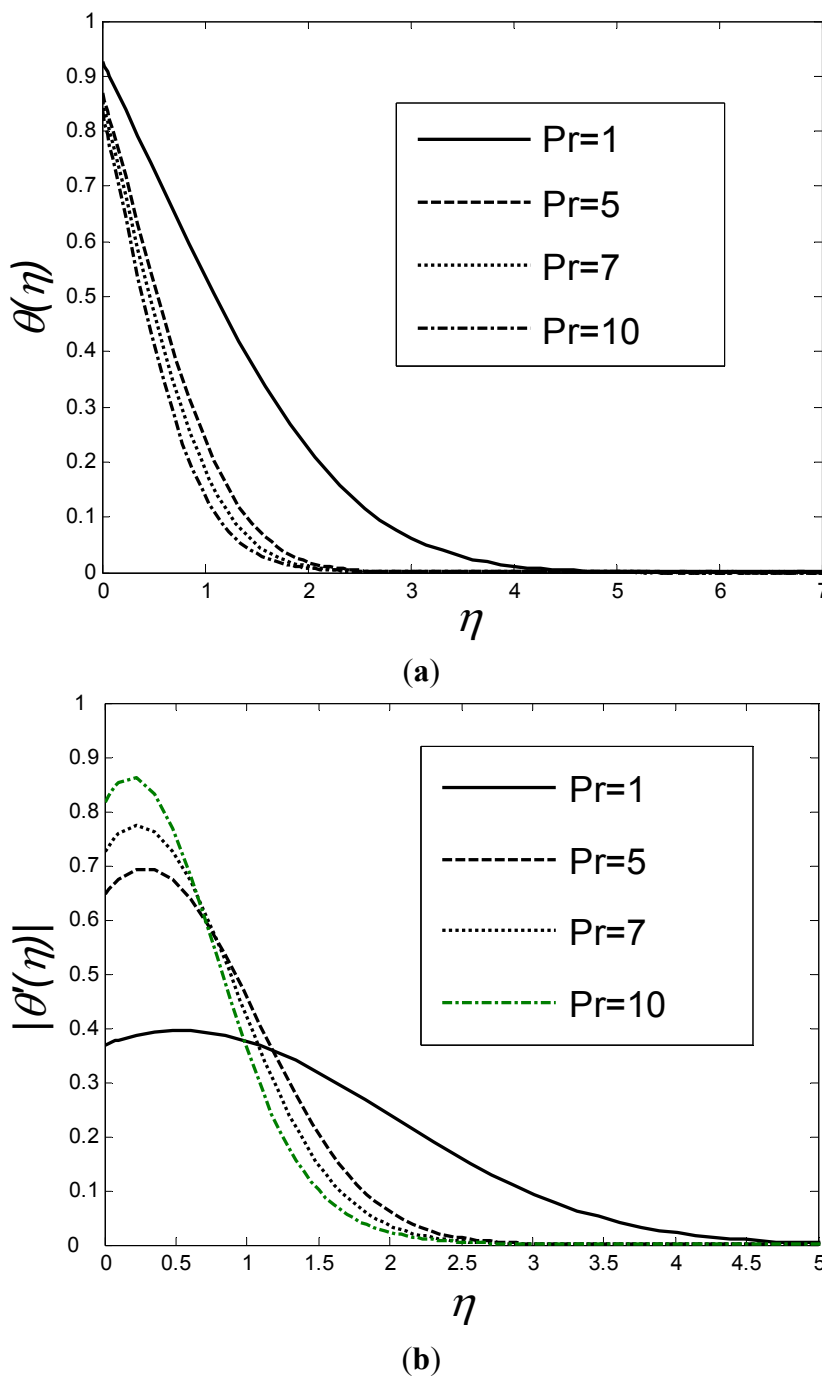
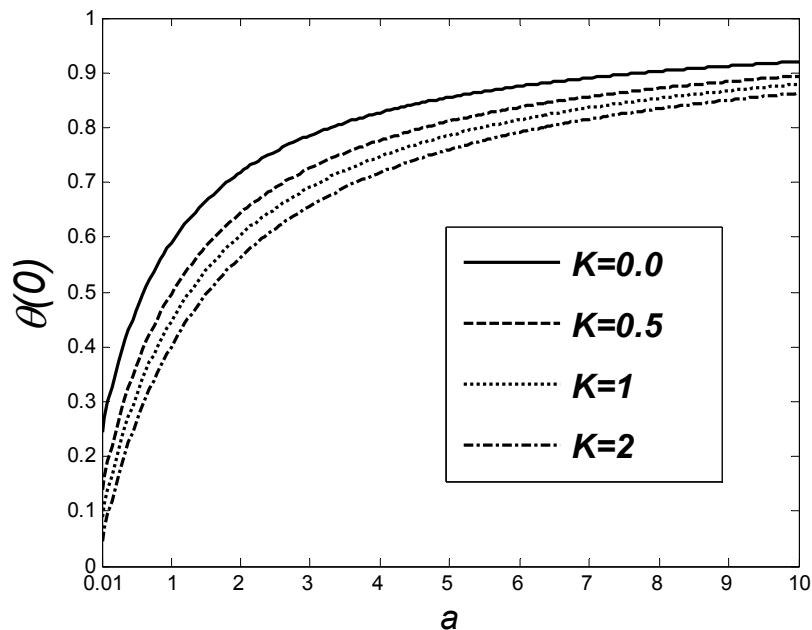
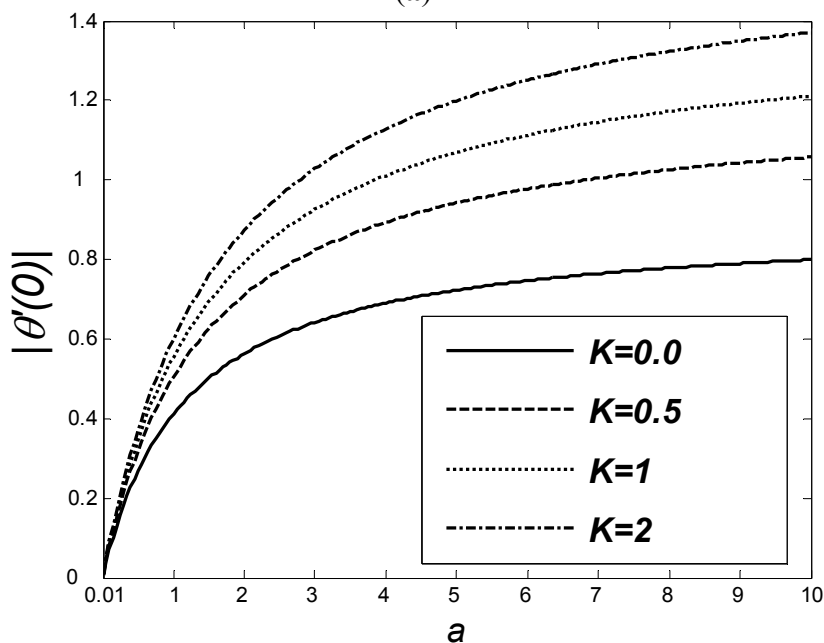


Figure 10(a),(b) illustrates the effect of slip coefficient and Biot number on $\theta(0)$ and $|\theta'(0)|$, respectively, for $M = 0.3, Pr = 7, f_w = 0.2$ and $Ec = 0.2$. It is evident that both the fluid temperature adjacent to the wall and the heat transfer rate increase effectively with an increase in Biot number. In contrast, although the increase in the slip coefficient also increases the heat transfer rate, it reduces the wall temperature. It is interesting to note that the slip boundary condition can become a useful alternative technique of drag reduction, while increasing heat-transfer effectiveness.

Figure 10. (a) Variation of the $\theta(0)$ and (b) $|\theta'(0)|$ as a function of a for various values of K when $M = 0.3$, $Pr = 7$, $f_w = 0.2$ and $Ec = 0.2$.



(a)



(b)

Figure 11(a),(b) shows the effect of K and Ec on $\theta(0)$ and $|\theta'(0)|$ respectively when $a = 0.1$, $f_w = 0.2$, $Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.5$. In high wall shear stress conditions, viscous dissipation effect is important. Thus, the effects of viscous dissipation should be much more important for low slip coefficients, illustrated in Figure 11(a),(b). Furthermore, the Eckert number can decrease the heat transfer rate, whereas it tends to increase wall temperature.

Figure 11. (a) Variation of the $\theta(0)$ and (b) $|\theta'(0)|$ as a function of K for various values of Ec when $a = 0.1, f_w = 0.2, Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.5$.

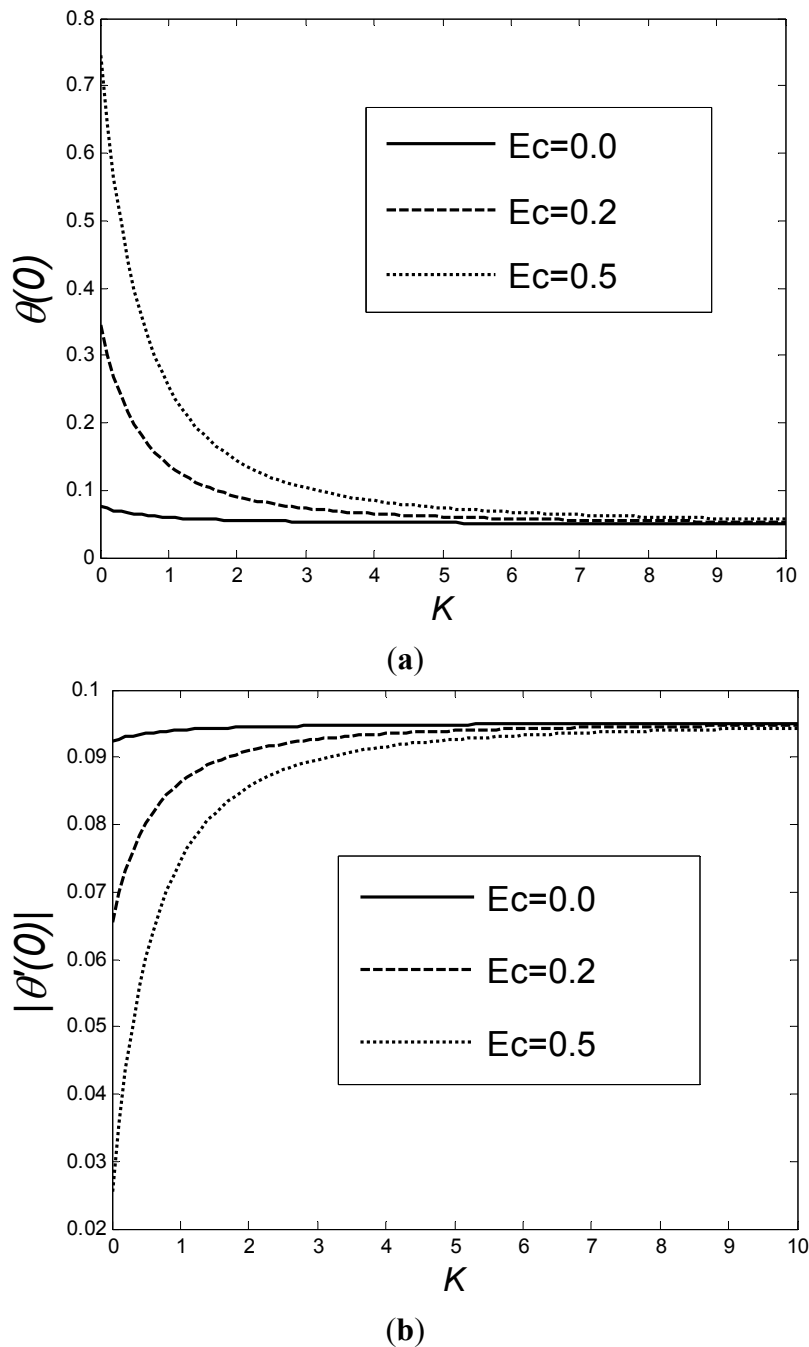
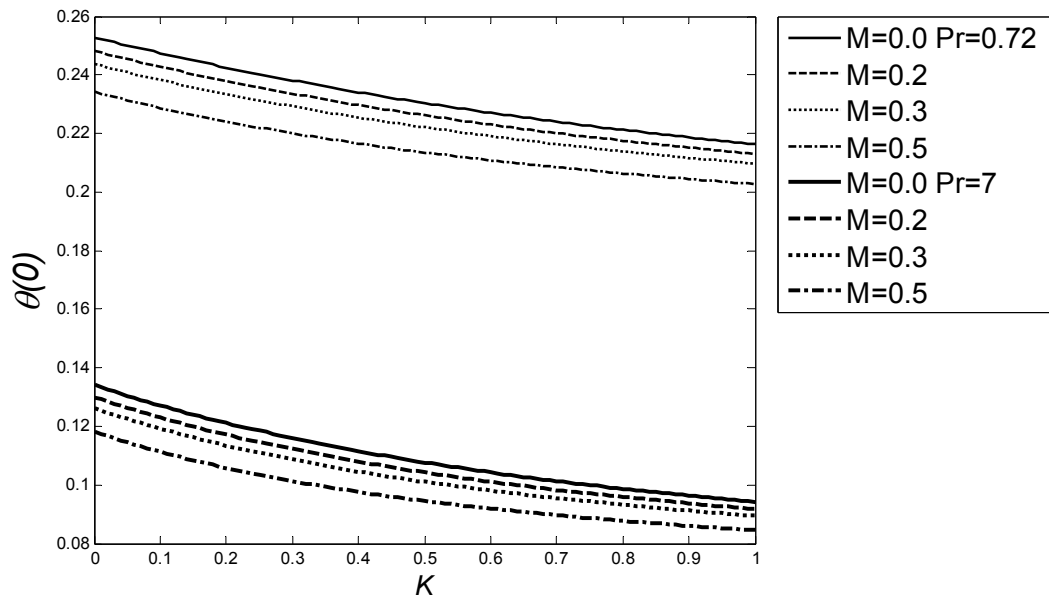
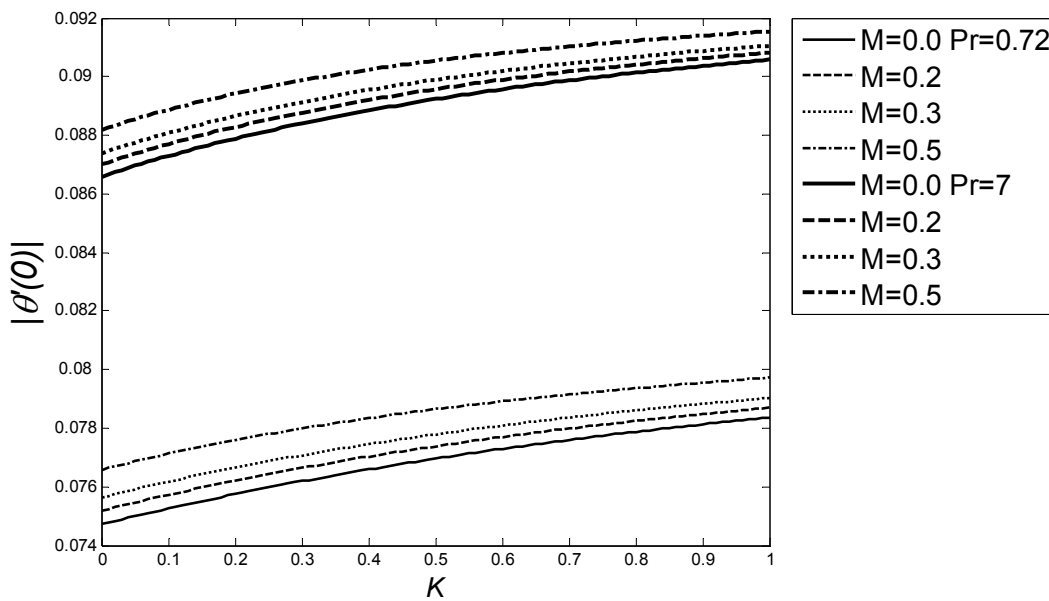


Figure 12(a),(b) depicts the effect of K, Pr and M on $\theta(0)$ and $|\theta'(0)|$, respectively. It is evident that the increase in the magnetic parameter decreases the heat transfer rate, whereas it increases wall temperature. Figure 13(a),(b) show the combined effect of Ec, f_w and a on $\theta(0)$ and $|\theta'(0)|$, respectively, when $K = 0.5, Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.3$. In this context, it is important to mention that suction/injection refers to transpiration of the surface through which wall temperature can be reduced/increased, respectively, *i.e.*, Eckert number increases fluid temperatures at the wall. Moreover, as suction increases the heat transfer rate, while injection has an opposite effect, suction/injection effect can be neglected at low Biot numbers where the boundary layer thermal resistance is high compared to the internal thermal resistance.

Figure 12. (a) Variation of the $\theta(0)$ and (b) $|\theta'(0)|$ as a function of K for various values of M and Pr when $a = 0.1$, $Ec = 0$, and $f_w = 0$.

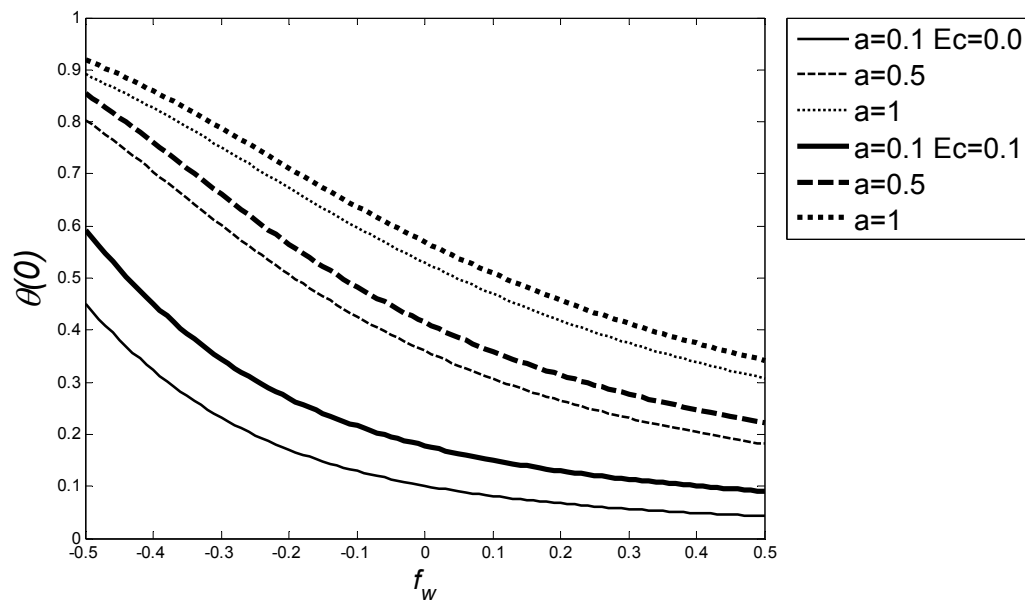


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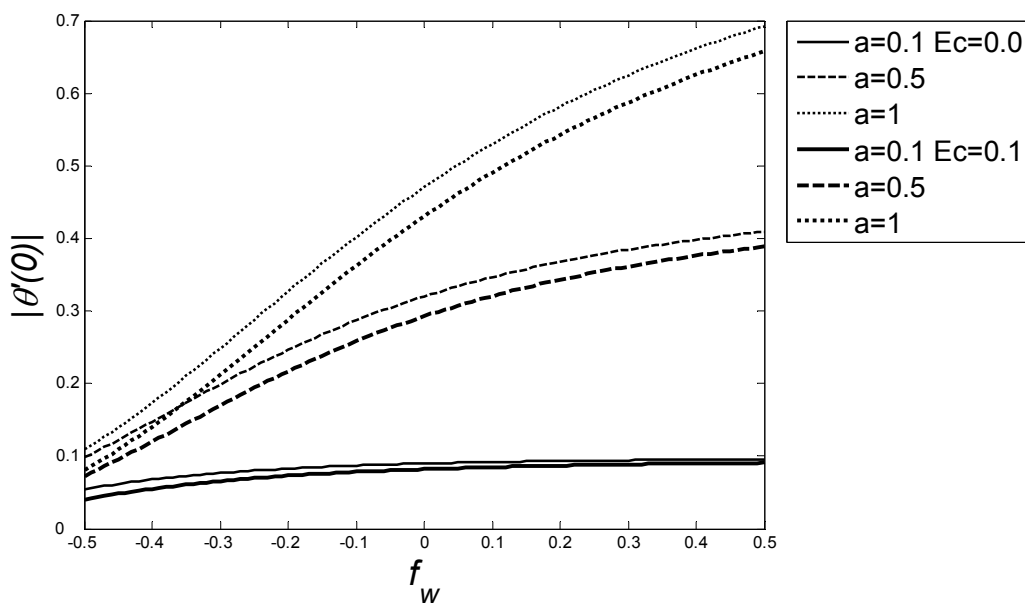


(b)

Figure 13. (a) Variation of the $\theta(0)$ and (b) $|\theta'(0)|$ as a function of f_w for various values of a and Ec when $K = 0.5$, $Pr = 7$ and $M = 0.3$.



(a)



(b)

4. Conclusions

Due to the unique mechanisms of fluid flow and heat transfer control in micro scale devices, this paper evaluates the slip MHD flow and heat transfer of an electrically conducting liquid over a permeable surface in the presence of the viscous dissipation effects under convective boundary conditions. A local similarity solution is applied at a fixed point along the surface. Based on the results presented above, the following specific conclusions have been reached:

- The skin friction coefficient increases with the rise of both suction and M , while it decreases with K and injection. Moreover, the effects of both M and f_w on the wall shear stress are much more significant at low K .
- Changes in M and f_w in the presence of slip boundary condition can efficiently manipulate the wall fluid velocity, which increases with the increase of M , K and suction.
- The wall temperature decreases with the increase in K , M , Pr and suction, whereas it increases with the increase of Ec , a , and injection.
- The heat transfer rate increases with the increase of Pr , a , K , M and suction, while it decreases with the increase of Ec and injection.
- In the slip flow regime, under low Biot number conditions, the permeability effects on heat transfer rate tend to be negligible.

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