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# Soret and Dufour Effects in Computational Analysis of Assisting and Opposing Stagnation Point Flow of Viscoelastic Fluid

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## Abstract

The investigation of stagnation point flow in viscoelastic fluid through a vertical sheet with Soret and Dufour effects is the focus of this study. Stream functions and similarity variables simplify the governing partial differential equations into ordinary differential equations. The model is then integrated using the MATLAB built-in solver bvp4c. In graphs and tables, the solutions for temperature profile, velocity distribution, and mass concentration, as well as their gradients at the surface, are depicted under the influence of emergent parameters that occurred in the flow equations. Physical reasoning is used to discuss the physical attitudes of physical unknown quantities of interest under the influence of various parameters. The results show that raising the viscoelastic parameter K leads to an increase in temperature and concentration profiles,



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## 1 Introduction

In recent years, the concept of non-Newtonian fluids has sparked a flurry of active research, as the

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fluids course represents, methodically, many modern significant fluids such as artificial fibres and microfilm in production. Due to their many applications in industries and engineering, the research community has focused extensively on such fluids. The diffusion-thermo effect, also known as the Dufour composition, is the driving mass flux that causes the temperature flow. The thermal-diffusion or Soret configuration involves temperature slopes that cause mass flows. The Soret and Dufour effects have been applied in a variety of practical applications, including chemical engineering and geology. Stagnation point is a term used in hydrodynamics to describe a place within a fluid region when the fluid regional velocity is zero. Cooling of the atomic pile, supercooling of the thermionic tube, polymer ejection, drawing of plastic sheets, wire drawing, and many more hydrodynamic processes in engineering applications are all examples of stagnation point flow uses.

Abbasi et al. [1] investigated a nanofluid's magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) doubly laminated mixed convection Maxwell flow. The structure of coupled convection flow with nanofluid inclusion filled through a lid driven liable form was presented by Abu-Nada et al. [2]. Ahmad and Ioan Pop [3] investigated nanofluid mixed convection flow across an upright uniform surface immersed inside an absorbent tube. Ahmed et al. [4] investigated the rotational stagnation-point flow caused by a Maxwell microfluid passing over a porous disc that was shrinking and extending. As a result of this, Arafa et al. [5] used the homotopy analysis technique to develop a biological population model. Bachok et al. [6] examined stagnation point flow with reference to stretching/contracting surface. Balci et al. |7| proposed a rectification tensor to viscoelastic fluid template of uniform factorization. Using a rigorous numerical approach, Bhatti et al. [8] presented a stagnation point flow above this porous contracting sheet undergoing superemacy on MHD. Using the homotopy analysis mechanism on MHD flow above a stretching absorptive sheet, Daniel et al. [9] investigated the heat radiation and buoyancy effects. The homotopy analysis method was suggested by Dehghan et al. [10] for resolving nonlinear fractional partial equations. Hayat et al. [11] presented a viscoelastic fluid flow in a stagnation point with mixed convection on a vertical surface in a viscoelastic fluid flow. Hayat et al. [12] used thermophoresis to explore the radiant and joule heating reactions of mass and heat conduct inside the MHD region using

an Oldroyd-B fluid. The thermal radiation impact of marangoni convection along a water carbon nanofluid was proposed by Hayat et al. [13]. He et al. [14] presented a fractional-order hyperchaotic technique that might be used in a similar Homotopy analysis procedure. In the stagnation point, Ishak et al. [15] presented a compressing sheet in a micropolar zone.

Mixed convection in various forms of nanofluid enclosures was discussed by Izadi et al. [16]. The magneto walter-B nano liquid with mixed convection flow of nonlinear radiation was predicted by Khan et al. [17]. Khan [18] looked at the unsteady MHD flow of an expanding surface and also talked about the free convection boundary-layer flow of nanofluid with radiant thermals and viscid dissipation effects. Khan et al. [19] examined a self-contained MHD flow with a stagnation point referring to a nanofluid with varying viscidity applied on an outstretched sheet with radiation effects. By the occurrence of transpiration as well as chemical reaction, Mabood et al. [20] concentrated the mix mass and heat transfer by stagnation point flow of MHD above the porous elongating plate. Majeed et al. [21] studied a boundary layer heat transfer flow employing the features of ferromagnetic viscoelastic fluid flow in two dimensions past a stretched sheet. The simulation approach of viscoelastic fluid flows of lattice Boltzmann was anticipated by Malaspinas et al. [22]. The approach for addressing a nonlinear second-order boundary value problem with a new spectral-homotopy was discovered by Motsa et al. [23]. In MHD viscoelastic flow, Prasad et al. [24] looked at heat transmission in the presence of variable viscosity above an elongated sheet. Prasad et al. [25] investigated free convection mass and heat transfer in MHD flow with thermal radiation effects from a sphere and a changeable porosity structure.

The study focusing on the numerical evaluation of viscoelstic fluid flow over a vertical surface for the aiding and opposing situations in the presence of Soret and Dufour effects is obvious from the preceding literature survey. The study utilizes stream functions and similarity variables to transform the governing partial differential equations into ordinary differential equations. MATLAB software built-in solver bvp4c is employed to obtain numerical and graphical profiles for mass transport, temperature, and velocity. Additionally, the software is used to compute the mass transfer rate, and skin friction coefficient under various physical conditions, providing a comprehensive analysis of the system's behavior. The mathematical modelling, as well as numerical Subject to the boundary conditions solutions in the form of the above mentioned, will be provided in depth in the fourth section.

#### 2 Flow Analysis

Consider a viscous, two-dimensional, incompressible boundary layer stagnation point flow in a viscoelastic fluid over a vertical surface with Soret and Dufour effects. The temperature of the surface is  $T_w(x)$  with  $T_w(x) > T_\infty(x)$  being the condition. Here free stream temperature is given by  $T_{\infty}(x)$ . The flow configuration is shown in Figure 1. The mass concentration at surface is  $C_w(x)$  with condition  $C_w(x) > C_\infty(x)$ , where  $C_\infty(x)$ is free stream mass concentration. By following [11] the flow equations equation:

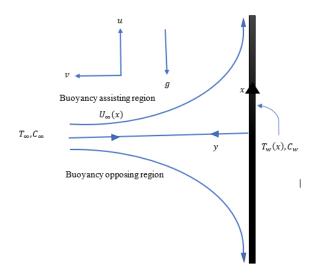


Figure 1. Flow Configuration.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \qquad (1)$$

$$u\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = U\frac{dU}{dx} + v\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$+ k_0 \left(u\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial x \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + v\frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial y^3}\right)$$

$$\pm g\beta_T (T - T_\infty)$$

$$\pm g\beta_C (C - C_\infty)$$

$$u\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{D_m k_T}{C_s C_p} \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2}$$
(3)

$$u\frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial C}{\partial y} = D_m \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial y^2} + \frac{D_m k_T}{T_m} \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \qquad (4)$$

$$u = 0, \quad v = 0, \quad T = T_w, \quad C = C_w \quad \text{at} \quad y = 0,$$
  
$$u \to U_{\infty}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \to 0, \quad T \to T_{\infty}, \quad C \to C_{\infty}$$
  
$$\text{as} \quad y \to \infty$$
(5)

where x and y horizontal and normal coordinates respectively. Here, along x and y axis, the velocity components are taken as u and v respectively. The notations g,  $\nu$ ,  $k_0$  and  $\alpha$  gives the gravitational acceleration, kinematic viscosity, viscoelastic parameter and thermal diffusivity respectively. Where *T* and *C* is the temperature of the fluid and concentration at any point in the flow field respectively. The symbols  $T_{\infty}$  and  $C_{\infty}$  is the temperature at the free stream and concentration at the free stream respectively. The representations  $D_m$ ,  $\beta_C$ ,  $k_T$ ,  $T_m$ is the mass diffusivity, concentration expansion coefficient, thermal diffusion ratio, and mean fluid temperature respectively. The physical parameters  $\beta_T$ ,  $C_s$  and  $C_p$  and is the thermal expansion coefficient, concentration susceptibility and specific heat at constant pressure respectively.

## **3** Solution Methodology

This section is confined to the method of solution adopted to find out the numerical solution of the flow model. The partial differential equations (1-4), subject to the boundary conditions (5), are transformed into ordinary differential equations and then solved using bvp4c, a built-in numerical solver. The whole solution methodology is elaborated in the following subsection.

#### 3.1 Stream Function Formulation

The solution of the partial differential equations using the method directly on them is difficult; therefore, if we convert them into ordinary differential equations, then the numerical technique will be used. For the conversion from PDEs to ODEs, the stream function formulation given in Eq. (6) is utilized.

$$\eta = \sqrt{\frac{a}{\nu}}y,$$

$$u = axf'(\eta),$$

$$v = -\sqrt{a\nu}f(\eta),$$

$$\theta(\eta) = \frac{T - T_w}{T_w - T_\infty},$$

$$\phi(\eta) = \frac{C - C_\infty}{C_w - C_\infty}$$
(6)

we have the following transformed boundary layer equations. Equations are as follow: equations.

$$f''' + ff'' - f'^{2} + 1 = K \left( f''^{2} - 2f'f''' + ff'''' \right) \\ \pm \lambda_{T}\theta(\eta)$$
(7)  
$$\pm \lambda_{c}\phi(\eta) = 0$$

$$f'\theta - f\theta' = \frac{1}{\Pr}\theta''$$
  
=  $Du\phi''(\eta)$  (8)

$$f'\phi - f\phi' - \frac{1}{Sc}\phi'' = Sr\theta''(\eta) \tag{9}$$

Flow conditions

$$f(0) = f'(0) = 0, \ \theta(0) = 1, \ \phi(0) = 1 \text{ as } y \to 0$$
  
$$f'(\infty) = 1, \ f''(\infty) = 0, \ \theta(\infty) = 0, \ \phi(\infty) = 0 \text{ as } y \to \infty$$
  
(10)

where

$$K = \frac{k_0 a}{\rho}, \Pr = \frac{v}{\alpha}, Sc = \frac{v}{D_m},$$
$$Sr = \frac{D_m k_T (T_w - T_\infty)}{T_m \nu (C_w - C_\infty)},$$
$$Du = \frac{D_m k_T (C_w - C_\infty)}{C_s C_p \nu (T_w - T_\infty)},$$
$$\lambda_T = \frac{Gr_T}{Re_r^2}, \lambda_C = \frac{Gr_C}{Re_r^2},$$

are viscoelastic parameter, Prandtl number, Schmidt number, Soret number, Dufour number, mixed convection parameter and the modified mixed convection parameter respectively.

#### 3.2 Solution Technique

The numerical outcomes are obtained by solving the Eqs. (7-9) with boundary conditions given in (10). Numerical solutions Eqs. (7-9) are also given in tabular forms. A numerical simulation is performed by means of solver bvp4c. In simulation of numerical solutions  $\eta_{\infty} = 8$  and byp4c is based on finite difference method that uses three-stage Lobatoo formula. The continuous solutions decided the mesh selection and error control. In this technique of collocation mesh interval is divide the interval into subintervals. The initial mesh and initial approximation are provided to the mesh points for final solution of the equations. Eqs. (7-9) subject to the boundary conditions (10) are in higher order, so

Now by using the stream function formulation, firstly they are converted to set of first order differential

$$f = \Gamma(1), \quad f' = \Gamma(2), \quad f'' = \Gamma(3), f''' = \Gamma(4), \quad \theta = \Gamma(5), \quad \theta' = \Gamma(6),$$
(11)  
$$\phi = \Gamma(7), \quad \phi' = \Gamma(8)$$

$$f^{(iv)} = \Gamma\Gamma1 = \frac{1}{K * \Gamma(1)} \left( \Gamma(4) + \Gamma(1) * \Gamma(3) - \Gamma(2)^2 + 1 \right) - K \left( \Gamma(3)^2 - 2 * \Gamma(2) * \Gamma(4) \right) \pm \lambda_T \Gamma(5), \pm \lambda_C \Gamma(7) - M * (\Gamma(2) - 1) - K_1 * \Gamma(2) - F * (\Gamma(2) - 1)^2$$
(12)

$$\theta'' = \Gamma \Gamma 2 = -Pr * (\Gamma(2) * \Gamma(5) - \Gamma(1) * \Gamma(6)) + Du * \Gamma \Gamma 3$$
(13)

$$\phi'' = \Gamma \Gamma 2 = -Sc * (\Gamma(2) * \Gamma(7) - \Gamma(1) * \Gamma(8)) + Sr * \Gamma \Gamma 2$$
(14)

Subject to the boundary conditions

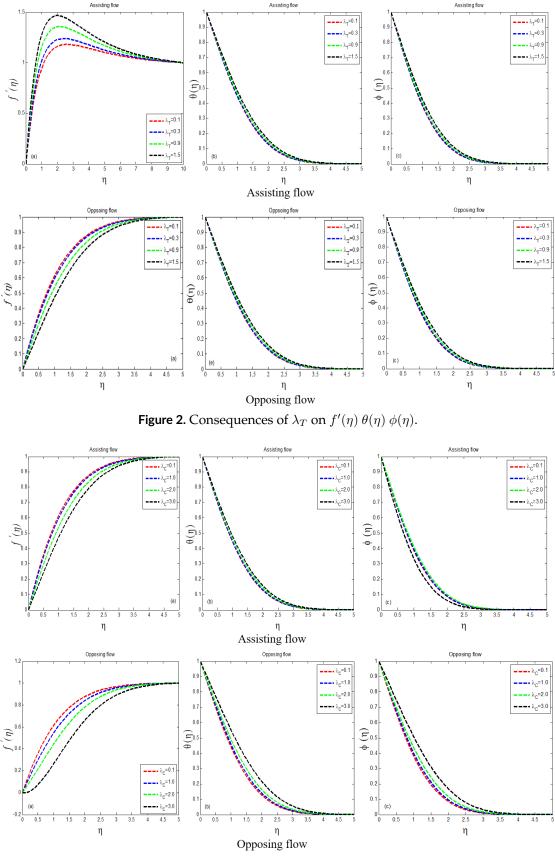
$$\Gamma(1) = \Gamma(2) = 0, \ \Gamma(5) = 1, \ \Gamma(7) = 1 \text{ at } \eta = 0$$
  

$$\Gamma(2) \to 1, \ \Gamma(3) \to 0, \ \Gamma(5) \to 0, \ \Gamma(7) \to 0 \text{ as } \eta \to \infty$$
(15)

The equations (11-15) are put into the algorithm of bvp4c solver and then required solutions for an appropriate choice parameter involved in the problem are obtained. These solutions in graphical and tabular form are presented in the next sections.

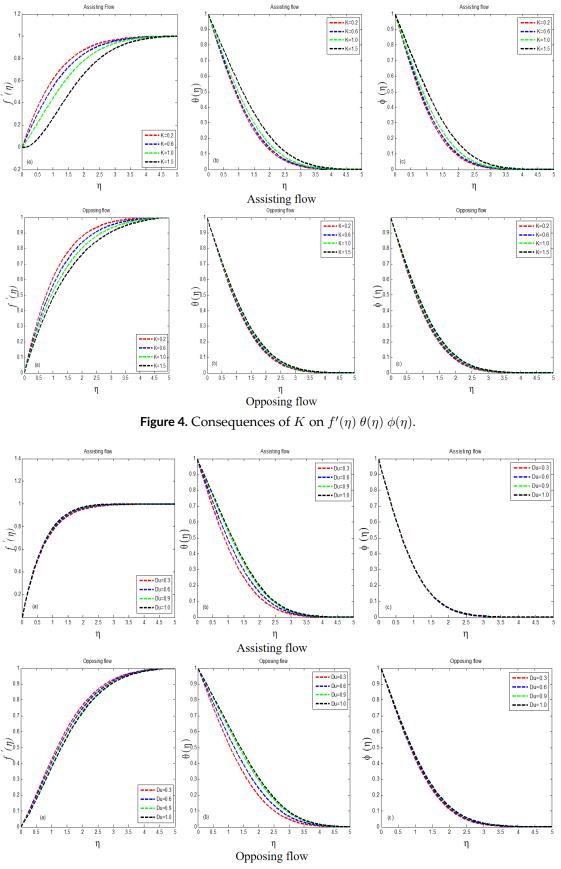
#### **4** Results and Discussion

The current discussion is focused on the behavior of unknown physical variables such as velocity profile f', temperature profile  $\theta$ , and mass concentration  $\phi$ , as well as their derivatives, such as skin friction f''(0), rate of heat transfer  $\theta'(0)$  and rate of mass transfer  $\phi'(0)$  for various values of involved parameters. To investigate the impact of several physical factors on velocity, temperature, and concentration profiles, such as mixed convection parameters  $\lambda_T$ , modified mixed convection parameter  $\lambda_T$ , viscoelastic parameter K, Prandtl number Pr, Soret number Sr, and Schmidt number Sc, Dufour number Du. Figures 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 show the plots for various parametric settings. For your convenience, the variation of all physical parameters on the velocity function, temperature, and concentration profile against  $\eta$  are shown for assisting and opposing flows respectively.



**Figure 3.** Consequences of  $\lambda_C$  on  $f'(\eta) \theta(\eta) \phi(\eta)$ .

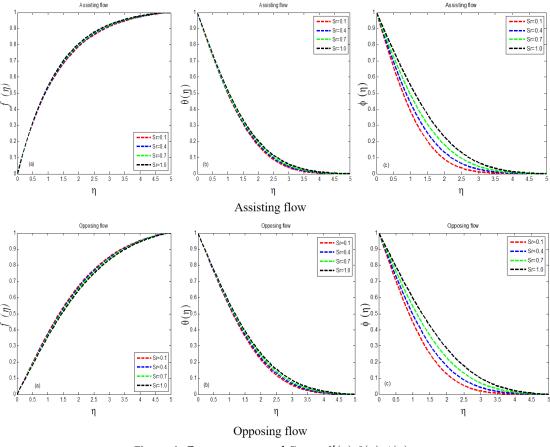
Figure 2 depicts the results of  $f'(\eta)$  against  $\lambda_T$  for assisting flow and falls for opposing flow. The behavior aiding and opposing flows, showing that  $f'(\eta)$  rises for of the temperature and concentration profile with



**Figure 5.** Consequences of Du on  $f'(\eta) \theta(\eta) \phi(\eta)$ .

the impact of  $\lambda_T$  is shown in Figure 2. Temperature increases, as shown in the graph. Both helpful and

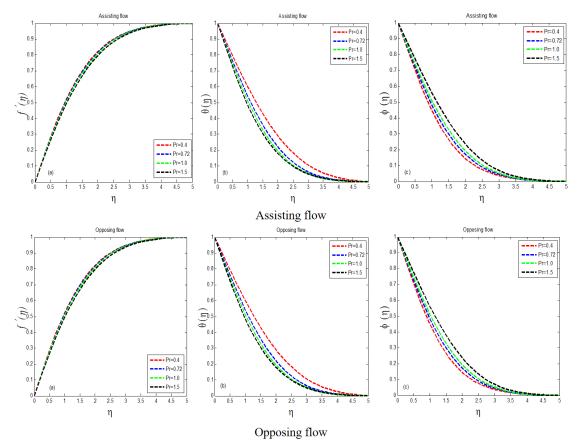
and concentration profiles grow as the value of  $\lambda_T$  opposing flows have a very modest difference in and.



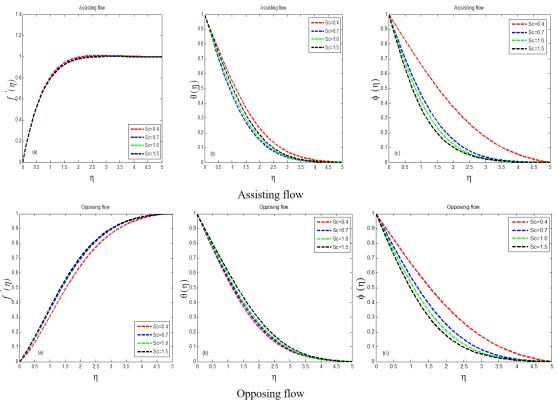
**Figure 6.** Consequences of *Sr* on  $f'(\eta) \theta(\eta) \phi(\eta)$ .

Figure 2 show the behaviour of the fluid velocity temperature and concentration field as the parameter  $\lambda_T$  is increased. As a result, we can observe that the impact of  $\lambda_T$  on  $f'(\eta)$  and the impact of  $\lambda_T$  on and are inverted. The graph clearly shows a decrease in velocity field and an increase in temperature and mass concentration. Figure 3 show the results for velocity distribution, fluid temperature, and concentration field for various values of  $\lambda_C$ , and the peculiarities of the velocity profile under the action of  $\lambda_C$  are highlighted. In the flow field, the  $\lambda_C = 0.1$  velocity profile offers a high value, while the  $\lambda_C = 3.0$  velocity profile gives a short value. The graph shows that when the value of  $\lambda_C$  increases, the projected quantity decreases, and the flashout effect of various increasing values of  $\lambda_C$  on the temperature profile. The temperature field is reduced at the minimum value of  $\lambda_C$ , and the temperature field is increased at the maximum value of  $\lambda_C = 3.0$ . Because the temperature profile and  $\lambda_C$  have a direct relationship in this scenario, the thermal boundary layer is increased. While the phenomena are the same, there are some differences in assisting and opposing flow. The mass concentration for various values of  $\lambda_C$ is shown in Figure 3.

For rising values of the physical viscoelastic parameter, the velocity field is seen in Figure 4. This graph indicates that when f' decreases in assisting flow, the value of *K* increases. Both  $f'(\eta)$  and *K* have an inverse relationship. In both aiding and opposing flows, greater values of *K* in the velocity profile show some difference. Figure 4 show the effect of temperature and mass concentration on K. For both scenarios of flow, augmenting *K* results in  $\theta(\eta)$  and  $\phi(\eta)$ , although the opposite is true for  $f'(\eta)$ . Figure 5 depicts the velocity distribution as a function of the Dufour number. Other unquantifiable factors, on the other hand, remain constant. According to the graph, the recommended variable Dufour number Du increases at Du=1.0 and decreases at Du=0.3. There is a distinction in velocity for both values of the dufour number. For varying values of the dufour number, all curves in the assisting flow display nearly identical behavior with minor differences. When compared to assisting flow, the behavior of velocity for growing Du values differs in opposing flow. When we consider many values of the Dufour number, Figure 5 shows the temperature in detail. The results indicate that reducing the value of Du leads to an increase in  $\theta(\eta)$ . It is maximum at Du=1.0 and minimised at Du=0.3. When we compare



**Figure 7.** Consequences of Pr on  $f'(\eta) \theta(\eta) \phi(\eta)$ .



**Figure 8.** Consequences of Sc on  $f'(\eta) \theta(\eta) \phi(\eta)$ .

the activities of  $\theta(\eta)$  for both sorts of flows, we can see that they act in the same way. When we improve

the Dufour number, the manner of mass concentration  $\phi(\eta)$  is depicted in Figure 5. In the assisting flow, just a single curve is obtained for the number of values of the Dufour parameter. When variation is offered to the Dufour number in opposing flow, a slight gap is perceived.

**Table 1.** Consequences of  $\lambda_T$  on  $f''(0) \theta'(0) \phi'(0)$ .

|           | $\lambda_T$ | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|-----------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | 0.1         | 0.94579 | 0.64135       | 0.7275      |
| Assistant | 0.3         | 0.9915  | 0.64799       | 0.73543     |
| flow      | 0.9         | 1.12266 | 0.66639       | 0.75735     |
|           | 1.5         | 1.24628 | 0.68291       | 0.77701     |
|           | 0.1         | 0.85614 | 0.6283        | 0.71187     |
| Opposing  | 0.3         | 0.80681 | 0.62071       | 0.70279     |
| flow      | 0.9         | 0.64892 | 0.59522       | 0.67223     |
|           | 1.5         | 0.47076 | 0.56386       | 0.63449     |
|           |             |         |               |             |

The influence of soret number Sr on velocity profile is shown in Figure 6. In helping flow, the curve of f' shortens at Sr=0.1 and the velocity field increases at Sr=1.0, whereas in opposing flow, the situation is reversed. Figure 6 show how temperature  $\theta(\eta)$  and mass concentration  $\phi(\eta)$  behave under the impact of soret number. Temperature and mass concentration play a role in expanding Sr. As a result, the thickness of the thermal boundary layer raised. The same thing happens in both aiding and opposing flows. With the execution of the prandtl number, Figure 7 focuses the physical velocity field. In the flow domain, the graph illustrates many values of proposed quantity rise at Pr=0.4 and decrease at Pr=1.5. Figure 7 show the temperature  $\theta(\eta)$  and mass concentration  $\phi(\eta)$ with Prandtl number dominance. It is worth noting that as Prandtl number increases in both opposing and assisting flows,  $\theta(\eta)$  and  $\phi(\eta)$  decrease. The thickness of the thermal boundary layer decreases as *Pr* increases. The velocity and temperature profiles for a variety of Schmidt numbers are depicted in Figure 8.

These graphs show that the velocity and temperature fields decrease as Sc increases. In helping flow, the value of Sc=0.4 velocity  $f'(\eta)$  and temperature continues to rise, whereas the value of Sc=1.5 velocity  $f'(\eta)$  and temperature continues to fall with a minor difference. In the opposing flow, however, the value of Sc=0.4 indicates a lesser value of  $f'(\eta)$  and  $\theta(\eta)$ , whereas Sc=1.5 indicates a high value of  $f'(\eta)$  and  $\theta(\eta)$ . In aiding and opposing flows, the behaviour of  $f'(\eta)$  and  $\theta(\eta)$  with the impression of Schmidt number is obverse to each other. The various outcomes of Schmidt number on mass concentration  $\phi(\eta)$  are shown in Figure 8. Innumerable values of Schmidt number show the two of them supporting and opposing flow in the same way. The concentration field produces an inflated curve when Sc=0.4, but a deflated curve when Sc=1.5.

**Table 2.** Consequences of  $\lambda_C$  on  $f''(0) \theta'(0) \phi'(0)$ .

|           | -           |          |               |             |
|-----------|-------------|----------|---------------|-------------|
|           | $\lambda_C$ | f''(0)   | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|           | 0.1         | 0.94579  | 0.64135       | 0.7275      |
| Assistant | 1           | 1.1229   | 0.6651        | 0.75596     |
| flow      | 2           | 1.30383  | 0.68784       | 0.78314     |
|           | 3           | 1.47212  | 0.7078        | 0.80694     |
|           | 0.1         | 0.85614  | 0.6283        | 0.71181     |
| Opposing  | 1           | 0.64824  | 0.59688       | 0.67405     |
| flow      | 2           | 0.3715   | 0.54961       | 0.61686     |
|           | 3           | -0.04342 | 0.46033       | 0.50765     |
|           |             |          |               |             |

The behaviour of the derivatives of mass concentration, velocity profile, and temperature profile, which are the rate of mass transfer  $\phi'(0)$ , skin friction f''(0), and heat transfer rate  $\theta'(0)$  for various parameters, is shown in Tables 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Tables 1 and 2 show the obtained results for f''(0),  $\theta'(0) \phi'(0)$  upsurges whenever the modified mixed convection parameter  $\lambda_C$  and mixed convection parameter  $\lambda_T$  develop well in helping flow but opposite relation occurs in opposing flow, for budding values of the above-mentioned material attributes. The physical parameters  $\lambda_T$  and  $\lambda_C$  behave in the same way. Significant features like f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$ , and  $\phi'(0)$  compressed in aiding and opposing flows for advanced values of viscoelastic parameter K, as shown in Table 3.

**Table 3.** Consequences of *K* on  $f''(0) \theta'(0) \phi'(0)$ .

|           | K   | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|-----------|-----|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | 0.2 | 0.94579 | 0.64135       | 0.7275      |
| Assistant | 0.6 | 0.8336  | 0.62093       | 0.70351     |
| flow      | 1   | 0.75137 | 0.60414       | 0.68387     |
|           | 1.5 | 0.67513 | 0.58695       | 0.66386     |
|           | 0.2 | 0.85614 | 0.6283        | 0.71187     |
| Opposing  | 0.6 | 0.75061 | 0.60772       | 0.68772     |
| flow      | 1   | 0.6736  | 0.59086       | 0.66801     |
|           | 1.5 | 0.60254 | 0.57365       | 0.64797     |

Under the influence of K, the numerical findings of f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$ , and  $\phi'(0)$  reveal identical actions for both types of flows. The derivatives of mass concentration, velocity profile, and temperature profile for Dufour number Du are shown in Table 4. When the Dufour number increases, the skin friction and mass transfer rate increase, while the heat transfer rate decreases. We get to the conclusion that they have the inverse

| Table 4. Consequences of | of $Du$ on | f''(0) | $\theta'(0)$ | $\phi'(0).$ |
|--------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|-------------|
|--------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|-------------|

|           | Du  | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|-----------|-----|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | 0.3 | 1.31385 | 0.63204       | 0.81372     |
| Assistant | 0.6 | 1.33316 | 0.5537        | 0.81595     |
| flow      | 0.9 | 1.35271 | 0.47367       | 0.81812     |
|           | 1   | 1.35929 | 0.44662       | 0.81884     |
|           | 0.3 | 0.35472 | 0.50207       | 0.62756     |
| Opposing  | 0.6 | 0.31965 | 0.43901       | 0.61431     |
| flow      | 0.9 | 0.28273 | 0.37799       | 0.60006     |
|           | 1   | 0.26998 | 0.35817       | 0.59505     |
|           |     |         |               |             |

relationship. When we look at the second type of flow, opposing flow, under the stimulation of the Dufour number Du, we see that the measurable properties f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$ , and  $\phi'(0)$  are lowered when the Dufour number is increased.

**Table 5.** Consequences of Sr on  $f''(0) \theta'(0) \phi'(0)$ .

|           | Sr  | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|-----------|-----|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | 0.1 | 0.74342 | 0.54756       | 0.6976      |
| Assistant | 0.4 | 0.74914 | 0.54182       | 0.62892     |
| flow      | 0.7 | 0.7551  | 0.53567       | 0.55772     |
|           | 1   | 0.76132 | 0.52905       | 0.48371     |
|           | 0.1 | 0.38926 | 0.48549       | 0.60964     |
| Opposing  | 0.4 | 0.38019 | 0.47633       | 0.54759     |
| flow      | 0.7 | 0.37054 | 0.46668       | 0.4845      |
|           | 1   | 0.36022 | 0.4565        | 0.42033     |

|           | Pr   | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | 0.4  | 1.14857 | 0.46591       | 0.70168     |
| Assistant | 0.72 | 1.15876 | 0.55524       | 0.65037     |
| flow      | 1    | 1.16804 | 0.60791       | 0.60791     |
|           | 1.5  | 1.18617 | 0.67304       | 0.53268     |
|           | 0.4  | 0.61448 | 0.41822       | 0.61366     |
| Opposing  | 0.72 | 0.60077 | 0.48891       | 0.56674     |
| flow      | 1    | 0.58818 | 0.52816       | 0.52816     |
|           | 1.5  | 0.56321 | 0.57164       | 0.46053     |

| Table 7. Consequences of $Sc$ on | $f''(0) \theta'(0) \phi'(0).$ |
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|           | -   |         |               |             |
|-----------|-----|---------|---------------|-------------|
|           | Sc  | f''(0)  | $-\theta'(0)$ | $-\phi'(0)$ |
|           | 0.4 | 1.3961  | 0.66021       | 0.50838     |
| Assistant | 0.7 | 1.37618 | 0.61582       | 0.60778     |
| flow      | 1   | 1.3674  | 0.57763       | 0.67817     |
|           | 1.5 | 1.36377 | 0.5196        | 0.76489     |
|           | 0.4 | 0.196   | 0.46725       | 0.37703     |
| Opposing  | 0.7 | 0.23647 | 0.4543        | 0.44933     |
| flow      | 1   | 0.25403 | 0.43575       | 0.4988      |
|           | 1.5 | 0.2613  | 0.40068       | 0.55478     |

Table 5 shows how the behaviour of helping flow

changes when the Soret number Sr increases, while the heat transfer rate and mass transfer rate decrease. When we compare the numerical phenomena of assisting flow with opposing flow, we find that with bigger values of Soret number Sr in opposing flow, f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$  and  $\phi'(0)$  decrease. Table 6 shows the numerical results of f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$  and  $\phi'(0)$  when Prandtl number Pr is used. In assisting flow, the values of Prandtl number Pr, skin friction and the rate of heat transfer increased, while the rate of mass transfer decreased, and in opposing flow, the values of Prandtl number Pr skin friction f''(0), and rate of mass transfer  $\phi'(0)$  decreased, while the rate of heat transfer increased. In assisting flow, the material properties f'',  $\theta'(0)$  lowered and  $\phi'(0)$  abated as the Schmidt number Sc increased, but in opposing flow, the material properties f''(0) expanded and the rate of heat transfer decreased as the Schmidt number Sc increased.

# **5** Conclusion

In this study, we study the mixed convection stagnation point flow in viscoelastic fluid in the presence of Soret and Dufour effects over a vertical surface was numerically derived for different dimensionless factors. The Numerical results for the physical parameters seemed in a main flow domain, such as the physical dimensionless parameters performing in the main equations are Schdmit Number Sc, Prandtl number Pr, Soret number Sr and Dufour number Du were painted. The experimental results demonstrated the performance of the baseline model and its effectiveness in flow control. The main verdicts about this theoretical study are:

- From results for  $f'(\eta)$ , it was examined that the  $f'(\eta)$  bloated for rising values of Sr but condensed when  $\lambda_T$ ,  $\lambda_C$ , K, Sc, Du and Pr were augmented.
- This was an experiential effect which shows that the answers about the temperature field that this physical thing was improved when λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub>, K and Sr was amplified and reduced when Pr, Du, Sc were increased.
- The conclusions made for the mass concentration design for emerging values of λ<sub>T</sub>, K, Sr and Sc abortive as λ<sub>C</sub>, Du and Pr were enhanced.
- It was observed from the graphical study that velocity profile increases for growing values of *Sc* yet concentrates for the amplification in values of λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub>, *K*, *Du*, *Pr* and *Sr*.

- The judgment about temperature profile gave the experiential results that such physical material was upgraded by the amplification in  $\lambda_T$ ,  $\lambda_C$ , K, Sr and Sc.
- The conclusions made for the mass concentration designed for rising values of λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub>, K, Sr and Sc declined as Du and Pr were enhanced.
- It can be understood that there was intensification in the skin friction by gaining in Sc and a falling approach was examined for the various values of λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub> Pr K, Du and Sr.
- The mathematical results showed that there was an enlargement in the rate of heat transfer for the rising value of *Pr* and it was despondent for the large values of λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub>, Du, Sr, K and Sc.
- The numerical consequences for φ'(0) describe that the rate of mass transfer is high for increasing values of *Sc* and retarded when *Pr*, λ<sub>T</sub>, λ<sub>C</sub>, *Du*, *Sr*, *K* were increased.
- Eventually, by integrated numerical solver bvp4c, the solutions f''(0),  $\theta'(0)$  and  $\phi'(0)$  for different values of  $\lambda_T$ .
- All the numerical results satisfy the boundary conditions asymptotically.

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