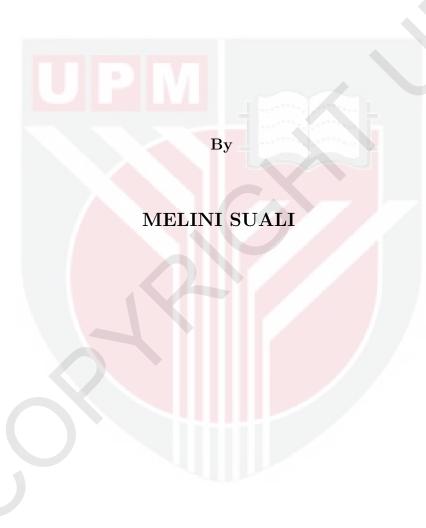


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The study is focused on investigating the effects of unsteady stagnation point flow and heat transfer over a stretching/shrinking sheet. The problem is modelled as a mathematical formulation that involves a system of partial differential equations. The governing partial differential equations are then transformed into non-linear ordinary differential equations using the similarity transformations. The obtained non-linear ordinary differential equations are solved numerically using the shooting method. For the problem of unsteady stagnation point flow and heat transfer over a stretching/shrinking sheet with prescribed heat flux, the unsteadiness parameter A increases the skin friction f''(0) and the local Nusselt number  $\frac{1}{\theta(0)}$ . As the values of ratio of stretching/shrinking velocity  $\varepsilon$  and Prandtl number Pr increase, the velocity and temperature profiles increase but the surface temperature decreases. For the problem of unsteady stagnation point flow and heat transfer over a stretching/shrinking sheet with suction/injection, the temperature and velocity profiles increase as the values of  $f_0$  increases. As the injection/suction parame-

ter increases the thermal boundary layer thickness increases, thus reduce the heat transfer rate at the surface. For the case of injection, the solutions exist for a certain interval of  $\varepsilon$ , whereas for the suction, there is no such interval appears. For the problem of thermal radiation effects on unsteady stagnation point flow and heat transfer over a stretching/shrinking sheet, the skin friction coefficient f''(0) and the local Nusselt number  $-\theta'(0)$  increase as the values of the unsteadiness parameter A increases, and the increase of the radiation parameters Nr and  $\varepsilon$  lead to an increase of the temperature profiles. From the results, it is noticed that the unsteadiness, thermal radiation, suction/injection,  $\varepsilon$  and Pr parameters can control the behaviour of the unsteady stagnation point flow and heat transfer over a stretching/shrinking sheet.

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lai  $f_0$  bertambah. Apabila parameter semburan/sedutan meningkat, ketebalan lapisan sempadan juga meningkat, dan seterusnya mengurangkan kadar pemindahan haba pada permukaan. Bagi kes semburan, penyelesaian wujud pada selang  $\varepsilon$  tertentu, manakala bagi kes sedutan selang tersebut tidak wujud. Bagi masalah kesan radiasi terma pada aliran titik genangan tak mantap dan pemindahan haba ke atas helaian meregang/mengecut, pekali geseran kulit f''(0) dan nombor Nusselt tempatan  $-\theta'(0)$  meningkat apabila parameter ketakmantapan meningkat, dan peningkatan nilai parameter radiasi Nr dan  $\varepsilon$  membawa kepada peningkatan profil suhu. Hasil daripada keputusan kajian, adalah diperhatikan bahawa parameter ketakmantapan, radiasi terma, semburan atau sedutan,  $\varepsilon$  dan Pr mengawal telatah aliran titik genangan tak mantap dan pemindahan haba terhadap helaian merengang/mengecut.

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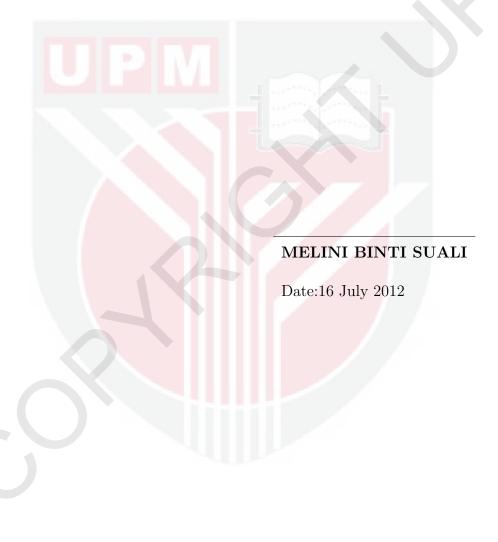
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