

length of the periodic suction velocity. The negative sign in (2.1) indicates that the suction is towards the plate. We choose a co-ordinate system with plate lying vertically $\bar{x}-\bar{z}$ plane such that \bar{x} axis is taken along the plate in the direction of the free stream flow U and \bar{y} axis is perpendicular to the plane of the plate.

A uniform magnetic field is applied along \bar{x} axis. Since the plate is infinite in \bar{x} direction, all physical quantities will be independent of \bar{x} .

The boundary conditions of the problem are

$$\bar{u}=0; \bar{v}=-v_0(1+\varepsilon \cos \frac{\pi \bar{z}}{L}), \bar{w}=0, \bar{T}=\bar{T}_w$$

at $\bar{y}=0$

$$\bar{u}=U; \bar{v}=-v_0, \bar{w}=0, \bar{p}=\bar{p}_\infty, \bar{T}=\bar{T}_\infty \text{ at } \bar{y} \rightarrow \infty \quad (2.2)$$

The subscripts w and ∞ denote physical quantities at the plate and in the free stream respectively.

We introduce the following non-dimensional parameters

$$y=\frac{\bar{y}}{L}, z=\frac{\bar{z}}{L}, u=\frac{\bar{u}}{L}, v=\frac{\bar{v}}{L}, w=\frac{\bar{w}}{L}, p=\frac{\bar{p}}{\rho U^2},$$

$$\bar{T}=\frac{\bar{T}-\bar{T}}{\bar{T}_w-\bar{T}_\infty} \quad (2.3)$$

where $\bar{u}, \bar{v}, \bar{w}$ be the velocity components in the direction of $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$ respectively, \bar{T} the temperature, ρ the density, g the acceleration due to gravity, β the coefficient of volume

expansion, ν the kinematic viscosity, \bar{T}_∞ the temperature of the fluid in the free stream, \bar{p} the pressure, σ the electrical conductivity, B_0 the magnetic induction, C_p the specific heat of the fluid at constant pressure, k the thermal conductivity of the fluid and all other symbols have their usual meanings.

Introducing the non-dimensional parameters (2.3) in the governing equations for velocity and temperature, we obtain the equation of continuity:

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (2.4)$$

momentum equations

$$v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = RGT + \frac{1}{R} \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + w \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) - k_2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} v \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right.$$

$$\left. \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + w \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} w \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + w \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right.$$

$$\left. \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + w \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + w \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right\} \quad (2.5)$$

$$v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{1}{R} \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) - k_2$$

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2} v \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial y^3} + \frac{1}{2} v \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial y \partial z^2} + \frac{1}{2} w \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial z^3} + \frac{1}{2} w \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial y^2 \partial z} - \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{3}{2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial z} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial z} \right\} - \frac{M^2}{R} v \quad (2.6)$$