

# STUDY OF MHD STEADY AND DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF PIVOTED CURVED SLIDER BEARING WITH A COUPLESTRESS FLUID

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**Abstract** Based on MHD thin film lubrication theory, the steady and dynamic attributes of pivoted curved slider bearings lubricated by couple stress fluid in the existence of a transverse magnetic field is theoretically studied. Considering the transient squeezing motion, the MHD dynamic Reynolds-type equation is derived from the continuity equation and the MHD motion equations. Expressions for the steady film pressure, load-carrying capacity, dynamic stiffness and damping coefficients are found and result are presented graphically. From the outcomes, it is observed that, the effect of magnetic fields signifies an enhancement in the film pressure. Overall, the applied magnetic-field effects characterized by the Hartmann number provide a significant increase in values of the load-carrying capacity, the stiffness coefficient and the damping coefficient as compared to the non-magnetic case. Also, the steady and dynamic features of the bearings enhance due to effect of couple stress fluid as compared with Newtonian case.

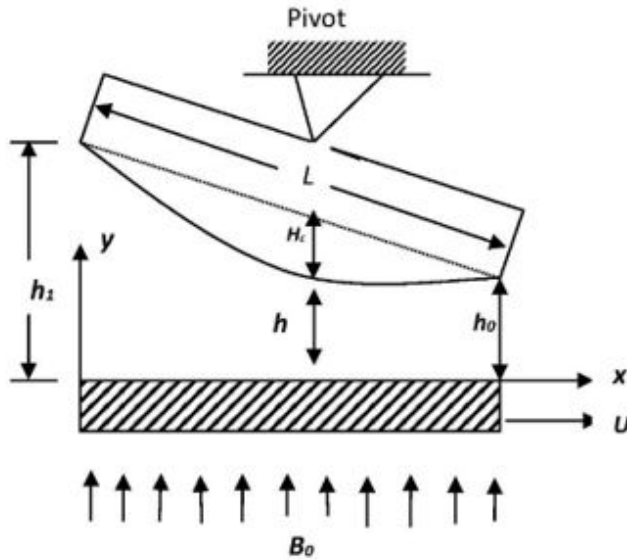
## 1 Introduction

Slider bearings are used to support the axial load in engineering disciplines. Analysis of the steady and dynamic characteristics of bearings is significant when studying the geometry of the bearing. The steady characteristics serve as a foundation for bearing construction, allowing for the avoidance of runner-pad interaction and the prediction of bearing stability, a study of dynamic characteristic shows more importance. Since slider bearing surfaces primarily work on the wedge action theory, considering the knowledge of dynamic stiffness and damping behaviour aids in bearing design. The liquid metals are excellent electrical conductors, and the load carrying capacity can be increased with the application of electromagnetic force. The impact of MHD on various bearing is carried out such as step slider bearing by Huges [1], Kuzma [2] studied MHD journal, Shukla [3] analyzed composite slider bearing, inertia effect for inclined bearing by Agarwal [4], and shown that the load enhances due to increase in magnetic field. Later, MHD lubrication of finite slider bearings is represent by Lin [5] and Lin et.al [6] revealed the dynamic properties of magnetic field plane slider bearing and found that the damping and stiffness coefficients are increasing. From past decades, the study of lubrication with non-Newtonian fluids has drawn attention of many investigators. Stokes [7] microcontinuum theory is the simplest generalization of classical fluid theory that allows for polar effects such as couple stresses and body couples. Numerous researchers have used couple stresses theory to explore the performance of distinctive bearings such as slider bearing by Ramanaiah and Sarkar [8] presented the squeeze film behavior of slider bearings, composite inclined step bearing by Sinha and Singh [9], Gupta. et. al [10] studied hydrostatic thrust bearings, Lin [11] analysed finite journal bearings and wide parabolic-shaped slider by Lin and Lu [12]. All these authors concluded that the effect of couple stress fluid enhances the load carrying capacity and reduces the friction coefficient as compared with Newtonian case. Several investigators are interested to study the combined effect of MHD and couple stress such as slider bearing by Das [13], Biradar and Hanumagowda [14] analysed composite slider bearing, sphere and plane surface by Naduvnamani.et.al [15], plane slider bearing by Hanumagowda [16] and Naduvnamani.et.al [17]–[18] studied static and dynamic characteristics of parabolic and plane inclined slider bearings and wide tapered land

slider bearing. Based on their results obtained, it was concluded the effect of couple stress and MHD enhances the bearing characteristics as compared with non-magnetic and Newtonian case. Hanumagowda et al. [19]–[21] investigated the impact of couple stress and MHD on steady and dynamic features for various slider bearing and found that there is an improvement in steady and dynamic features. Also, has extended his research to analyse Land-tapered slider bearing and porous exponential slider bearings. Hence, an endeavour has been made to examine the impact of MHD and CSF for pivoted curved slider bearing and to analysis steady and dynamic features.

## 2 Theoretical Analysis and Solution

The geometry of pivoted curved surface bearing lubricated with electrically couplestress fluid is presented in figure.1. Considering that the portion of curved surface is parabola,  $H_c$  is the height of the crown segment,  $h_1$  and  $h_0$  be the inlet and outlet film thickness, lower plate taken along  $x$ -axis, while lubricant film taken along  $y$ -axis.  $U$  be the velocity of moving curved surface and  $L$  be the length of pad in moving direction.



**Figure 1.** Geometry of pivoted curved slider bearing

Based on the standard assumptions, the relevant governing equations are:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

$$\mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \eta \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial y^4} - \sigma B_0^2 u = \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \sigma E_z B_0 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

$$\int_{y=0}^h (E_z + B_0 u) dy = 0 \quad (2.4)$$

The fluid film thickness of pivoted curved slider bearing is

$$h = H_c \left\{ 4 \left( \frac{x}{L} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right\} + h_0 \left\{ \frac{h_1}{h_0} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{L} \right) + \frac{x}{L} \right\} \quad (2.5)$$

The velocity boundary conditions are:

At lower surface  $y = 0$

$$u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad v = 0 \quad (2.6)$$

At lower surface  $y = h$

$$u = 0 \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad v = \frac{dh}{dt} \quad (2.7)$$

The solution of Equation (2.1) by using the equation (2.4) with boundary conditions (2.6) and (2.7) is expressed as

$$u = -\frac{U}{2}T_1 - \frac{h_{m0}^2 h}{2l\mu M_0^2} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} T_2 \quad (2.8)$$

Where

$$T_1 = T_{11} - T_{12}, T_2 = T_{13} - T_{14} \quad \text{for} \quad 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 < 1 \quad (2.9)$$

$$T_1 = T_{21} - T_{22}, T_2 = T_{23} - T_{24} \quad \text{for} \quad 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 = 1 \quad (2.10)$$

$$T_1 = T_{31} - T_{32}, T_2 = T_{33} - T_{34} \quad \text{for} \quad 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 > 1 \quad (2.11)$$

The associated equations for (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11) is discussed by Hanumagowda.et.al[19].

MHD Reynold's equation for pivoted curved slider bearing is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left\{ f(h, l, M_0) \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right\} = 6U \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + 12 \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \quad (2.12)$$

Where,

$$f(h, l, M_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{6h_{m0}^2 h^2}{\mu l M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{A^2 - B^2}{\frac{A^2}{B} \tanh \frac{Bh}{2l} - \frac{B^2}{A} \tanh \frac{Ah}{2l}} - \frac{2l}{h} \right\} & \text{for } 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 < 1 \\ \frac{6h_{m0}^2 h^2}{\mu l M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{2(Cosh(h/\sqrt{2}l) + 1)}{3\sqrt{2}sinh(h/\sqrt{2}l) - h/l} - \frac{2l}{h} \right\} & \text{for } 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 = 1 \\ \frac{6h_{m0}^2 h^2}{\mu l M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{M_0(cos B_1 h + cosh A_1 h)}{h_2(A_2 sin B_1 h + B_2 sinh A_1 h)} - \frac{2l}{h} \right\} & \text{for } 4M_0^2 l^2 / h_{m0}^2 > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$A_2 = (B_1 - A_1 Cot\theta), \quad B_2 = (A_1 + B_1 Cot\theta)$$

Following non-dimensional quantities is introduce in equation (2.12)

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L}, t^* = \frac{t}{h_{m0}}, P^* = \frac{p^* h_{m0}^2}{\mu U L}, l^* = \frac{2l}{h_{m0}}, M_0 = B_0 h_{m0} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\mu} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$h^* = h_1^* + (1 - h_1^* - 4\beta) x^* + 4\beta x^{*2}, h = H_c \left\{ 4 \left( \frac{x}{L} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right\} + \left\{ (h_1 - h_1 \frac{x}{L}) + h_0 \frac{x}{L} \right\}$$

$$h^* = h_m^* + \{(\delta - 4\beta x^*)(1 - x^*)\}$$

The MHD Reynold's equation in non-dimensional form expressed as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^*} \left\{ f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0) \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*} \right\} = 6 \frac{dh^*}{dx^*} + 12V^* \quad (2.13)$$

where,

$$f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{12h^{*2}}{l^* M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{(A^{*2} - B^{*2})}{\frac{A^{*2}}{B^{*2}} \tanh \frac{B^* h^*}{l^*} - \frac{B^{*2}}{A^{*2}} \tanh \frac{A^* h^*}{l^*}} - \frac{l^*}{h^*} \right\} & \text{for } M_0^2 l^{*2} < 1 \\ \frac{12h^{*2}}{l^* M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{1 + \cosh(\sqrt{2}h^*/l^*)}{(3/\sqrt{2}) \sinh(\sqrt{2}h^*/l^*) - (h^*/l^*)} - \frac{l^*}{h^*} \right\} & \text{for } M_0^2 l^{*2} = 1 \\ \frac{12h^{*2}}{l^* M_0^2} \left\{ \frac{M_0(\cos B_1^* h^* + \cosh A_1^* h^*)}{A_2^* \sin B_1^* h^* + B_2^* \sinh A_1^* h^*} - \frac{l^*}{h^*} \right\} & \text{for } M_0^2 l^{*2} > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$A^* = \left\{ \frac{1 + (1 - l^{*2} M_0^2)^{1/2}}{2} \right\}^{1/2}, B^* = \left\{ \frac{1 - (1 - l^{*2} M_0^2)^{1/2}}{2} \right\}^{1/2}$$

$$A_1^* = \sqrt{2M_0/l^*} \cos(\theta^*/2), B_1^* = \sqrt{2M_0/l^*} \sin(\theta^*/2), \theta^* = \tan^{-1} \left( \sqrt{l^{*2} M_0^2 - 1} \right)$$

$$A_2^* = (B_1^* - A_1^* \cot \theta^*), B_2^* = (A_1^* + B_1^* \cot \theta^*)$$

The equation for pressure is obtained by integrating equation (2.15) and using the boundary conditions of pressure and it is expressed as

$$P^* = 6 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* + 12V^* \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{x^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* + \left\{ \frac{6 \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* + 12V^* \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{x^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*}{\int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*} \right\} \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* \quad (2.14)$$

The load-carrying capacity expression is

$$w = \int_0^L p dx$$

$$W^* = \int_{x^*=0}^1 p^* dx^*$$

The expression for the dimensionless load-carrying capacity is obtained, by taking into consideration the constant minimum film height and zero squeezing velocity

$$W^* = 6 \int_0^1 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* dx^* + 12V^* \int_0^1 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{x^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* dx^* + \left\{ \frac{6 \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* + 12V^* \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{x^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*}{\int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*} \right\} \int_0^1 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* dx^* \quad (2.15)$$

The expressions of steady film pressure  $P_s^*$  and steady load carrying capacity  $W_s^*$  in dimensionless form are

$$P_s^* = 6 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* + \left\{ - \frac{6 \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*}{\int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*} \right\} \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* \quad (2.16)$$

$$W_s^* = 6 \int_0^1 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* dx^* - \left\{ \frac{6 \int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{h^*}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*}{\int_{x^*=0}^1 \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^*} \right\} \int_0^1 \int_{x^*=0}^{x^*} \frac{1}{f^*(h^*, l^*, M_0)} dx^* dx^* \quad (2.17)$$

The expressions for linear dynamic stiffness coefficient in dimensionless form is given by

$$S_d^* = - \left( \frac{\partial W_s^*}{\partial h_m^*} \right) \quad (2.18)$$

The expressions for linear dynamic damping coefficient in dimensionless form is given by

$$D_d^* = - \left( \frac{\partial W_s^*}{\partial V^*} \right) \quad (2.19)$$

### 3 Result and Discussion

The combined effect of magnetic field and CSF on the steady and dynamic features of pivoted curved slider bearing is analysed. The results so obtained are plotted graphically and discussed for various non-dimensional parameters such as  $M_0, l^*, \delta, h_m^*, \beta$ . The following range of values is considered to plot the graphs:  $M_0 = 0 - 6, l^* = 0.0 - 0.6, \delta = 0.1 - 2.7, h_m^* = 0.8 - 1.4, \beta = 0.0 - 0.6$ .

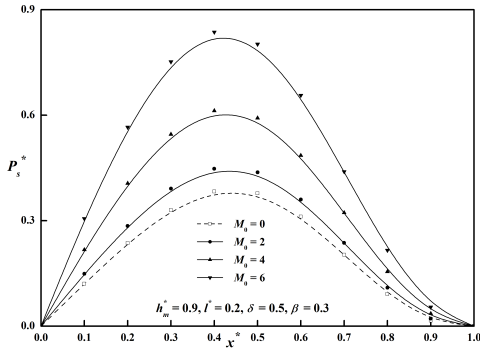


Figure-2: Variation of  $P_s^*$  along  $x^*$  for different values of  $M_0$ .

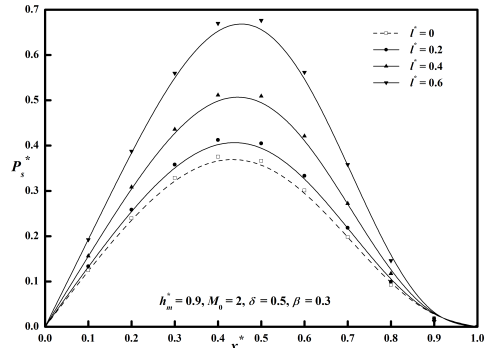


Figure-3: Variation of  $P_s^*$  along  $x^*$  for different values of  $l^*$ .

#### 3.1 Dimensionless steady film pressure

The variation of dimensionless steady film pressure  $P_s^*$  as function  $M_0$  is presented in Figure 2 against  $x^*$  and reported that the influence of the magnetic field ( $M_0 = 2$ ) is observed to increase the steady film pressure as compared to non-magnetic case. Increasing the values of Hartmann number ( $M_0 = 4, 6, 8$ ) enhances the steady film pressure. Figure 3 depicts the graph of  $P_s^*$  against  $x^*$  for distinctive  $l^*$  values and observed that, dotted line presents Newtonian case and solid lines for Non-Newtonian case and for increasing values of  $l^*$ , steady pressure  $P_s^*$  also enhances and reaches its maximum and decreases gradually. The deviation of  $P_s^*$  against  $x^*$  is displayed in Figure 4 for various values of  $h_m^*$  and found that steady pressure  $P_s^*$  decreases gradually for increasing  $h_m^*$  values. The profile of  $P_s^*$  as function of  $\delta$  against  $x^*$  is elaborated in

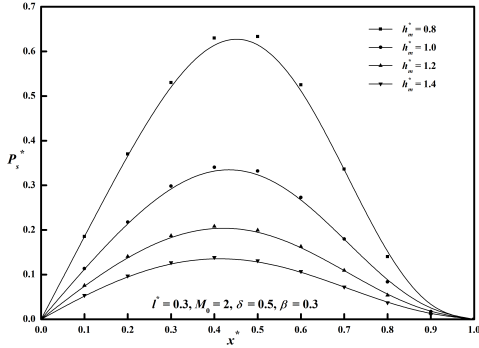
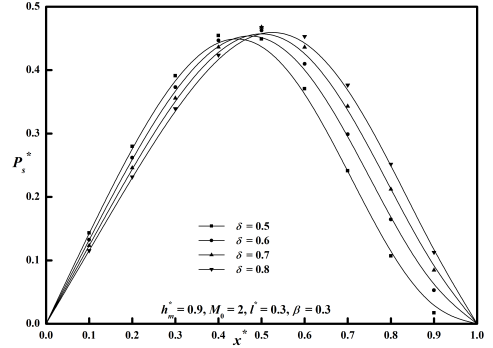
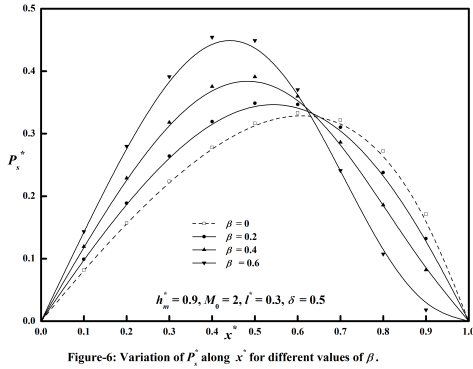
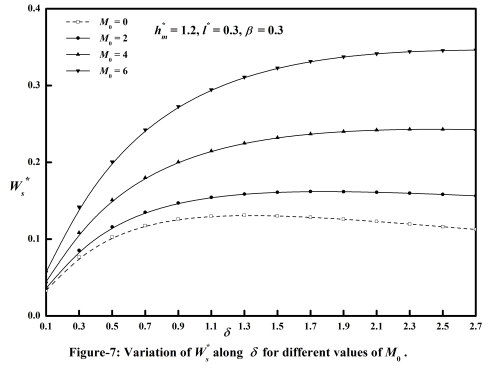
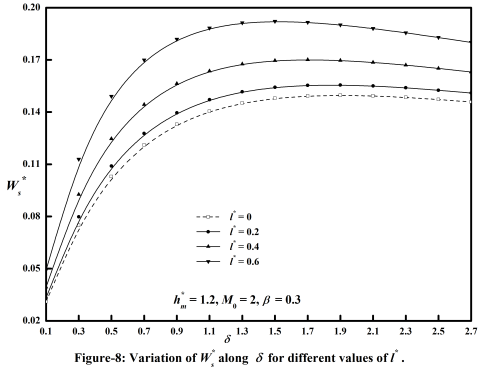
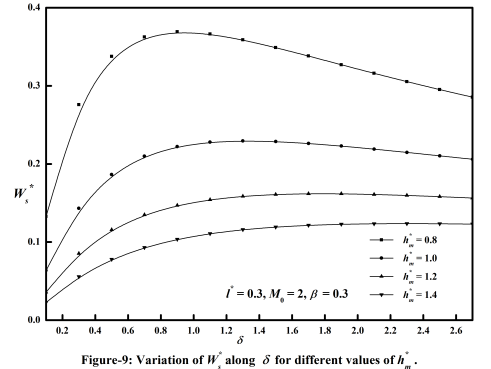
Figure-4: Variation of  $P_s^*$  along  $x^*$  for different values of  $h_m^*$ .Figure-5: Variation of  $P_s^*$  along  $x^*$  for different values of  $\delta$ .

Figure 5 and seen that due to increase in profile parameter  $\delta$ ,  $P_s^*$  decreases and reaches its maximum for certain value of  $x^*$  and later it increases. The graph of  $P_s^*$  against  $x^*$  for distinctive  $\beta$  values is depicted in Figure 6 and as result  $P_s^*$  increasing for increasing  $\beta$  values and attain maximum pressure but for some particular value of  $x^*$ , a reversed trend is observed.

Figure-6: Variation of  $P_s^*$  along  $x^*$  for different values of  $\beta$ .Figure-7: Variation of  $W_s^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $M_0$ .Figure-8: Variation of  $W_s^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $l^*$ .Figure-9: Variation of  $W_s^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $h_m^*$ .

### 3.2 Dimensionless Steady load carrying capacity

In Figure 7, the profile of dimensionless steady load carrying capacity  $W_s^*$  as function of Hartmann number  $M_0$  against profile parameter  $\delta$  is described. It is observed that the dotted line signifies non-magnetic case and solid lines signifies magnetic case and increase in  $W_s^*$  is found due to increase in  $M_0$  values. In addition, larger increments are obtained with larger Hartmann numbers and larger profile parameters. The variation of  $W_s^*$  along  $\delta$  for different  $l^*$  values is displayed in Figure 8 and found that steady load  $W_s^*$  is significant as compared to dotted line ( $l^* = 0$ ) for increasing values of  $l^*$ . In Figure 9, the graph of  $W_s^*$  as function of  $h_m^*$  is presented against  $\delta$  values and observed that owing to increase in  $h_m^*$  values, load  $W_s^*$  decreases. The de-

variation of  $W_s^*$  against  $\delta$  is illustrated in Figure 10 for distinct  $\beta$  values and noticed that the effect of  $\beta$  significantly increases the steady load.

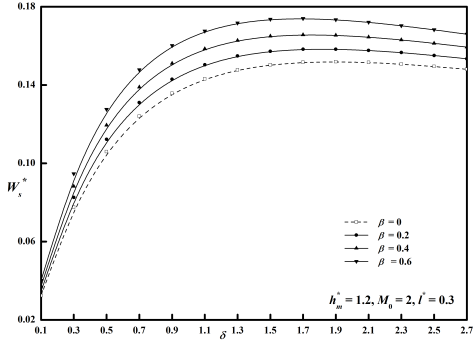


Figure-10: Variation of  $W_s^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $\beta$ .

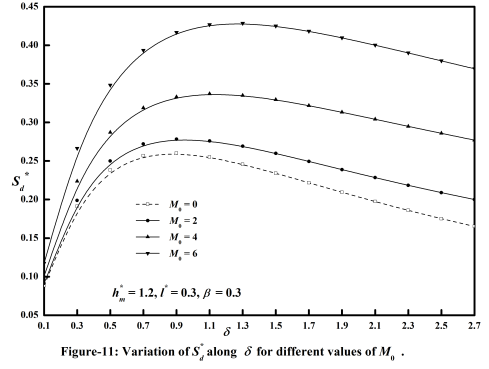


Figure-11: Variation of  $S_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $M_0$ .

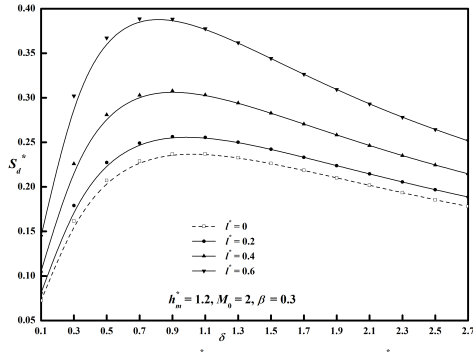


Figure-12: Variation of  $S_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $l^*$ .

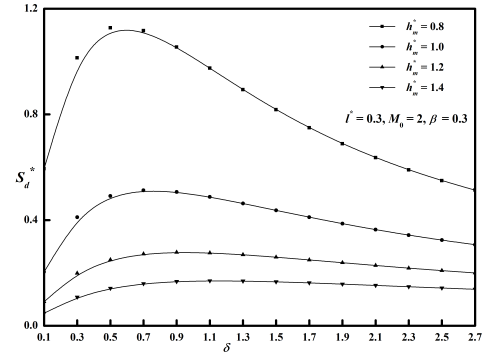


Figure-13: Variation of  $S_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $h_m^*$ .

### 3.3 Dynamic stiffness

Figure 11 depicts the deviation of dynamic stiffness  $S_d^*$  against profile parameter  $\delta$  for different  $M_0$  values and noticed that  $S_d^*$  raises with increasing  $M_0$  values as compared to dotted line. The graph of  $S_d^*$  as function of  $l^*$  is elaborated in Figure 12 against  $\delta$  and observed that as compared to Newtonian case, dynamic stiffness is substantial for larger  $l^*$  values. In Figure 13, the variation of  $S_d^*$  against  $\delta$  for distinct values of  $h_m^*$  is presented and seen that for decreasing values of  $h_m^*$ ,  $S_d^*$  increases. The profile of  $S_d^*$  versus  $\delta$  for various  $\beta$  values is explained in Figure 14 and found that dynamic stiffness significantly increases for larger  $\beta$  values. Also progressively decreases along profile parameter  $\delta$  in all the four figures is noticed.

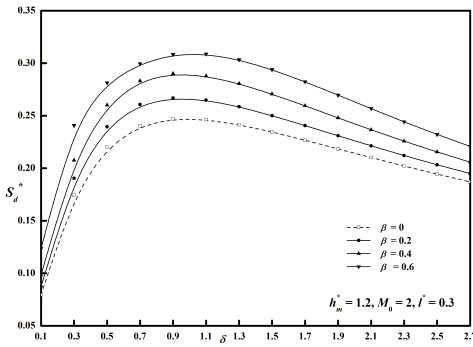


Figure-14: Variation of  $S_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $\beta$ .

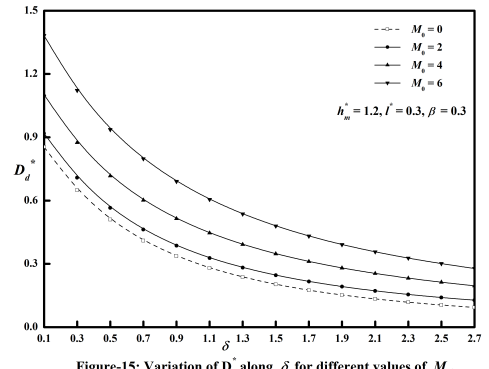
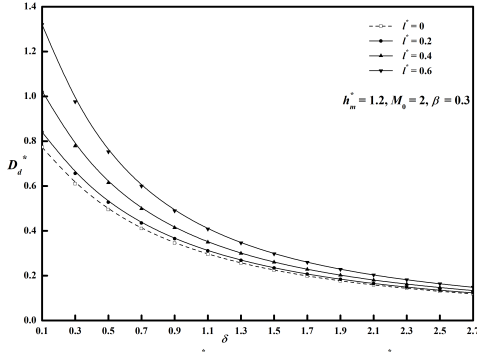
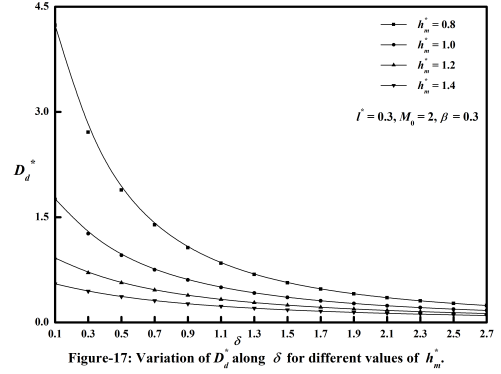
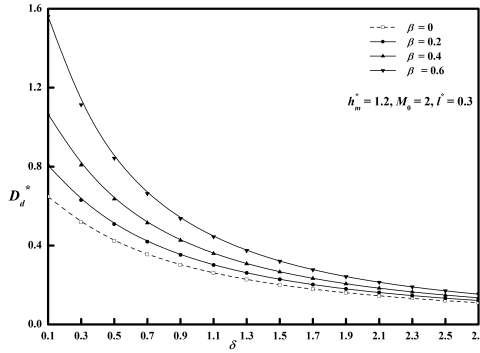


Figure-15: Variation of  $D_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $M_0$ .

Figure-16: Variation of  $D_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $l^*$ .Figure-17: Variation of  $D_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $h_m^*$ .Figure-18: Variation of  $D_d^*$  along  $\delta$  for different values of  $\beta$ .

### 3.4 Damping coefficient

The variation of damping coefficient  $D_d^*$  as function of Hartmann number against profile parameter  $\delta$  is displayed in Figure 15. As result, the damping coefficient  $D_d^*$  increases as compared to dotted line ( $M_0 = 0$ ). In Figure 16, the deviation of  $D_d^*$  against  $\delta$  is presented for various values  $l^*$  and observed that as compared to dotted line, damping coefficient enhances for larger values of  $l^*$ . Where as in Figure 17 presents the profile of  $D_d^*$  versus  $\delta$  for various values of  $h_m^*$  and seen that  $D_d^*$  decreases due to increase in  $h_m^*$  values. The graph of  $D_d^*$  for different  $\beta$  values is explained in Figure 18 against profile parameter  $\delta$  and found that damping coefficient is more pronounced for larger  $\beta$  values. Further from all four figures damping coefficient steadily decreases for increasing values of profile parameter  $\delta$ .

## 4 Conclusion

The impact of MHD steady and dynamic characteristics of pivoted slider bearing lubricated with couple stress fluid is examined in the above section and the following conclusions are drawn from the outcomes obtained:

- An increase in steady pressure, steady load, damping coefficient and dynamic stiffness for larger values  $M_0$  is noted compared to the Non-magnetic case.
- The steady and dynamic characteristic increases for increasing values of  $l^*$  in comparison with Newtonian case.
- It is also noticed that due to increase in minimum film height  $h_m^*$  the steady and dynamic features progressively decrease.
- For increasing  $\beta$  values, an enhancement is noticed in steady and dynamic features.
- The steady load, steady pressure, dynamic stiffness and damping coefficient decreases after attaining certain maximum value along profile parameter  $\delta$ . The increasing values of  $\delta$  results in decrease in the damping coefficient.



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