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Blacksburg, VA 24061-0123. *Prandtl boundary layers in viscoelastic fluids.*

We study the well-posedness of the Prandtl boundary layer equations for the upper convected Maxwell fluid, as well as the Phan-Thien Tanner and Giesekus fluids. Rather remarkably, it turns out that proving well-posedness is easier when elastic effects are important than it is for the Newtonian case. (Received July 29, 2013)