

Rayleigh-Benard Convection in Nanofluids Layer saturated in a Rotating Anisotropic Porous Medium with Feedback Control and Internal Heat Source

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Article history: Received 16 August 2021 Received in revised form 17 October 2021 Accepted 9 December 18 October 2021 Available online 11 November 2021	Control strategy on Rayleigh-Benard convection in rotating nanofluids saturated in anisotropic porous layer heated from below is studied in the presence of uniformly internal heat source for rigid-rigid, free-free, and lower-rigid and upper-free boundaries. Feedback control strategy with an array of sensors situated at the top plate and actuators located at the bottom plate of the nanofluids layer are considered in this study. Linear stability analysis based on normal mode technique has been performed, the eigenvalue problem is obtained numerically by implementing the Galerkin method and computed by using Maple software. Model employed for the nanofluids includes the mechanisms of Brownian motion and thermophoresis. The problem of the onset of convective rolls instabilities in a horizontal porous layer with isothermal boundaries at unequal temperatures known as Horton-Roger-Lapwood model based on the Darcy model for the fluids flow is used. The influences of internal heat source's strength, modified diffusivity ratio, nanoparticles concentration Darcy- Rayleigh number and nanofluids Lewis number are found to advance the onset of convection, meanwhile the mechanical anisotropy parameter, thermal anisotropy parameter, porosity, rotation, and controller effects are to slow down the process of convective instability. No visible observation on the modified particle density increment and rigid-rigid boundaries are the most stable system compared to free-free
Internal Heat Source; Porous Medium	and rigid-free boundaries.

1. Introduction

Nanofluids are colloidal suspensions of nanoparticles (1-100nm) in a base fluid and the term for nanofluids which define as fluids with nanosized particles (1-10nm) suspended stably in them was proposed by Choi [1]. The base fluids alone have rather low thermal conductivities and by suspending particles in a base liquid helps to improve the thermal conductivity. This is mainly thought to be due to Brownian motion preventing gravity settling and agglomeration of particles, resulting in a much

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more stable, suspended fluid. These new-formation heat transfer fluids offered a new possibilities motivation to improve the performance of heat transfer compared to regular fluids. The enhancement depends on several aspects as reported by Menni et al., [2] such as shape and size of the particles, volume fraction of particles, and thermal properties of solid and liquid. The analysis of the literature dealing with recent developments in focusing on the convective heat transfer by using nanofluids can be extracted in the review articles [3-7]. Tzou [8, 9] studied buoyancy driven convection in a horizontal nanofluid layer heated from below on the basis of the transport equations promoted by Buongiorno [10], who pointed the absolute velocity of nanoparticles as the sum of the base fluid velocity and a relative velocity. Kim et al., [11] introduced a new factor which determines the effect of nanoparticles addition on a base fluid and analyzed the convective instability driven by thermal gradient as well as heat transfer characteristics of nanofluids. Nield and Kuznetsov [12] studied the onset of convection in nanofluids layer of finite depth. Linear stability analysis of Rayleigh-Benard convection in nanofluids layer for free-free boundaries was performed by Yadav et al., [13]. Hadad et al., [14] reported that thermophoresis and Brownian motion mechanisms are significant in thermal enhancement of the natural convection in nanofluids layer. A review on advances of nanofluids in heat exchangers, that is, heat pipe and plate-fin heat exchangers has been reviewed by Sharma et al., [15]. Modified model for Binary Nanofluid convection with initial constant nanoparticle volume fraction has been investigated by Menni et al., [16]. Gupta et al., [17] employed the Casson nanofluid convection in an internally heated layer. Recently, Gupta et al., [18] studied the doublediffusive instability of Casson nanofluids with numerical investigations for blood-based fluid. Meanwhile, Aliouane et al., [19] investigated the flow and thermal fields in square enclosures: Rayleigh-Benard's instabilities of nanofluids. The effect of turbulent flow and convective heat transfer of Al₂O₃-water nanofluids in a circular tube for numerical study has been examined by Mahammedi et al., [20]. For partially porous cavity in the presence of nanofluids laminar naturel convection has been studied by Douha et al., [21]. Numerical research on the magnetic Ni nanofluid flowing in a tube, developing turbulent flows under constant heat flux conditions has been reported by Abdelkader et al., [22].

Thermal instability induced by a uniform internally heat source arising in horizontal layer of fluids has attracted investigators attention for many decades ago. Sparrow et al., [23] studied analytically the problem of thermal instability of an internally heated fluid as well as heated from below, and showed that the effect of internal heat source destabilized the system. Char and Chiang [24] proved that Benard-Marangoni convection critically induced with increasing internal heat source rate the system is prone to instability. Nield and Kuznetsov [25] investigated the thermal instability in a porous medium layer saturated by a nanofluids. Nanjundappa et al., [26] studied the effect of uniform internal heat source on Brinkman-Benard convection in a ferrofluid saturated porous layer. The effect of internal heat source on the onset of Darcy-Brinkman convection in a porous layer saturated by a nanofluid is investigated by Yadav et al., [27]. Shivakumara and Dhananjaya [28] investigated the penetrative Brinkman convection in an anisotropic porous layer saturated by a nanofluid layer. Chand et al., [29] studied the effects of variable gravity on thermal instability in a horizontal layer of a nanofluid saturating an anisotropic Darcy porous medium. These researchers [30-33] studied the anisotropic porous medium with various types of fluids such as binary fluid, fluid, ferrofluids and various effects of nonlinear temperature profile, magnetic field with rotation, internal heating and variable gravity.

The use of feedback control in stabilizing the thermal convection was investigated by Wang *et al.*, [34] and they managed to inhibit the chaotic behavior in the fluid layer by applying proportional control in a thermal convection loop. Tang and Bau [35] showed that, with the use of feedback controller, the critical Rayleigh number for the onset of convection can be significantly increased. The



similar control strategy can be used to modify the flow patterns of surface-tension driven flows as reported by Bau [36]. Hashim and Siri [37] have attempted to include the stabilizing effect of feedback control on steady and oscillatory convection due to surface-tension. The effects of feedback control on chaotic convection in fluid-saturated porous media has been investigated theoretically using dynamical systems approach by Roslan *et al.*, [38]. They showed that the suppression of chaotic convection in possible via feedback control. The investigation on the effect of feedback control in small and moderate Vadasz number chaotic convection in porous media was extended by Mahmud and Hashim [39] in the presence of non-Boussinesq effect using Galerkin truncated approximation technique.

Thermal convection in a rotating fluid saturated porous layer heated from below has been the subject of experimental and theoretical interest by many researchers. Vadasz [40] investigated the convective instability for the effect of rotating porous layer and found that it stabilized the system. The Coriolis force which is due to rotation in the system has an important effect of convective instability, where its effect helps to delay the onset of convection. Meanwhile, Govender [41] added the stabilizing effect of Coriolis force in anisotropic porous layer subjected to gravity. In 2020, Khalid *et al.*, [42] investigated the stabilizing effect of control strategy on Rayleigh-Benard convection in Maxwell nanofluids layer saturated in a rotating porous medium with feedback control subjected to viscosity and thermal conductivity variations. Sharma and Gupta [43] studied the onset of double-diffusive convection in a rotating binary nanofluid layer saturated by a porous medium using Darcy-Brinkman model. Later, Sharma *et al.*, [44] investigated the convection in a rotating binary nanofluid layer in porous medium using Darcy-Brinkman model.

The motivation of the present paper is to study the effect of controller on the onset of convection in a horizontal layer of an anisotropic porous medium (the Horton-Rogers-Lapwood problem as discussed by Nield and Kuznetsov [25]) saturated by a nanofluid heated from below with internal heat source, since there is no research reported on this investigation from the previous researchers. The study finds relevance in many applications particularly in manufacturing processes in industry. It is imperative to note that the internal heat source changes the temperature distribution significantly in the nanofluids which eventually alters the particles deposition rate in nuclear reactors, electronic chips and semiconductor wafers as mentioned by Aliouane *et al.*, [19]. The eigenvalue problem is extracted numerically using the Galerkin method for different types of velocity boundary conditions and solved by using Maple software. The study undertaken is more general in the sense that the results for the Darcy porous medium as well as for a fluid layer can be delineated as particular cases from the present study.

2. Methodology

Cartesian coordinates (x,y,z) are used, where the z-axis points vertically upward. Consider a horizontal layer of a rotating incompressible nanofluids saturated anisotropic porous layer (the Horton-Rogers-Lapwood problem) of thickness L confined between the planes $z^* \in [0, L]$ and subjected to internal heat source Q_0^* and feedback control is heated from below as shown in Figure 1. The nanofluids layer rotates about the vertical axis at a constant angular velocity, $\Omega^* = (0, 0, \Omega)$. The nanoparticles are suspended in nanofluids using either surfactant or surface charge technology. This prevents particles from agglomeration and deposition on the porous matrix. For simplicity, Darcy's Law is assumed to hold and the Oberbeck-Boussinesq approximation is employed. Homogeneity and local thermal equilibrium in the porous medium are assumed. Following Nield and Kuznetsov [25] and Yadav *et al.*, [27], the governing equations under the Oberbeck-Boussinesq approximation are



the conservation of mass, momentum, thermal energy and nanoparticles, and they are respectively given by



Fig. 1. Physical configuration and coordinate system

$$\nabla^* \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_D^* = 0, \tag{1}$$

$$-\nabla^* p^* - \mu \frac{\boldsymbol{u}_D^*}{\tilde{K}} + \boldsymbol{g} \left\{ \phi^* \rho_p + \left(1 - \phi^*\right) \rho_f \left[1 - \alpha_T \left(T^* - T_u^*\right) \right] \right\} - \frac{2\rho_f}{\varepsilon} \left(\boldsymbol{\Omega}^* \times \boldsymbol{u}_D^* \right) = 0,$$
⁽²⁾

$$\left(\rho c\right)_{m}\frac{\partial T^{*}}{\partial t^{*}}+\left(\rho c\right)_{f}\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{D}^{*}\cdot\nabla^{*}\right)T^{*}-\tilde{\kappa}_{m}\nabla^{*2}T^{*}-Q_{0}^{*}-\varepsilon\left(\rho c\right)_{p}\left[D_{B}\nabla^{*}\boldsymbol{\phi}^{*}\cdot\nabla^{*}T^{*}+\left(\frac{D_{T}}{T_{u}^{*}}\right)\nabla^{*}T^{*}\cdot\nabla^{*}T^{*}\right]=0,\quad(3)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi^*}{\partial t^*} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(\boldsymbol{u}_D^* \cdot \nabla^* \right) \phi^* - D_B \nabla^{*2} \phi^* - \frac{D_T}{T_u^*} \nabla^{*2} T^* = 0,$$
(4)

where $\boldsymbol{u}_{D}^{*} = (u, v, w)$ is the Darcy velocity, ρ_{f} is the density of the base fluid, ρ_{p} is the nanoparticle mass density, t^{*} is the time, p^{*} is the pressure, μ is the viscosity, \tilde{K} is the permeability of the porous medium, ε is the porosity of the porous medium, \boldsymbol{g} is the gravitational force, ϕ^{*} is the nanoparticle volume fraction, α_{T} is the thermal volumetric coefficient, T^{*} is the temperature, $(\rho c)_{m}$ is the effective heat capacity, c is the specific heat, c_{p} is the specific heat of the nanoparticles, Q_{0}^{*} is the uniform internal heat source, $\tilde{\kappa}_{m}$ is the effective thermal conductivity of the porous medium saturated by the nanofluid, D_{B} is the Brownian diffusion coefficient and D_{T} is the thermophoretic diffusion coefficient. The permeability and thermal conductivity tensors are defined as

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{K}} = \frac{1}{\tilde{K}_{H}} \left(\hat{i}\hat{i} + \hat{j}\hat{j} \right) + \frac{1}{\tilde{K}_{V}} \hat{k}\hat{k},$$
(5)

$$\tilde{\kappa}_{m} = \tilde{\kappa}_{mH} \left(\hat{i}\hat{i} + \hat{j}\hat{j} \right) + \tilde{\kappa}_{mV} \hat{k}\hat{k}, \tag{6}$$



where \tilde{K}_{H} is the permeability and $\tilde{\kappa}_{mH}$ is the thermal conductivity in the horizontal \hat{i} and \hat{j} directions, while \tilde{K}_{V} and $\tilde{\kappa}_{mV}$ are the corresponding values in the vertical \hat{k} direction. It may be noted that horizontal mechanical and thermal isotropy has been assumed.

It is assumed that the temperature and volumetric fraction of the nanoparticles are constant on the boundaries. Thus, the boundary conditions are

$$w^{*} = 0, \frac{\partial w^{*}}{\partial z^{*}} + \alpha_{1}L \frac{\partial^{2} w^{*}}{\partial z^{*2}} = 0, T^{*} = T_{0}^{*}, \phi^{*} = \phi_{0}^{*} \quad \text{at} \quad z^{*} = 0,$$
(7)

$$w^{*} = 0, \frac{\partial w^{*}}{\partial z^{*}} - \alpha_{2}L \frac{\partial^{2} w^{*}}{\partial z^{*2}} = 0, T^{*} = T_{u}^{*}, \phi^{*} = \phi_{u}^{*} \quad \text{at} \quad z^{*} = 1.$$
(8)

where the parameters α_1 and α_2 each takes the value ∞ for the case of free boundary and 0 for a rigid boundary. To nondimensionalize the governing Eqs. (1)-(4), the variables are scaled as follows

$$(x^*, y^*, z^*) = L(x, y, z), p^* = \frac{p\mu\kappa_v}{\tilde{K}_v}, t^* = \frac{t\sigma L^2}{\kappa_v}, \phi = \frac{\phi^* - \phi_l^*}{\phi_u^* - \phi_l^*}, \psi_z^* = \frac{\psi_z\kappa_v}{L}, t^* = \frac{t\sigma L^2}{\kappa_v}, T = \frac{T^* - T_u^*}{\Delta T^*},$$

$$(u^*, v^*, w^*) = \frac{\kappa_v}{L}(u, v, w),$$

$$(9)$$

where $\kappa_v = \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_m}{(\rho c)_f}$ is the effective thermal diffusivity and $\sigma = \frac{(\rho c)_m}{(\rho c)_f}$ is the heat capacity ratio

respectively. Substituting Eq. (9) into Eqs. (1)-(4), eliminating the pressure term from the momentum equation by operating curl twice and retaining the vertical component, we obtain

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_{D} = \boldsymbol{0}, \tag{10}$$

$$-\nabla p - \boldsymbol{u}_a - Rm\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_z + RdT\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_z - Rn_d\phi\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_z - \sqrt{Ta_v} \left(\boldsymbol{u}_D \times \hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_z\right) = 0,$$
(11)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{u}_{D} \cdot \nabla T - \frac{\partial^{2} T}{\partial z^{2}} - \zeta \nabla_{H}^{2} T - \frac{N_{B}}{Ln} \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla T - \frac{N_{A} N_{B}}{Ln} \nabla T \cdot \nabla T - Q = 0,$$
(12)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{u}_{D}\cdot\nabla\phi - \frac{1}{Ln}\nabla^{2}\phi - \frac{N_{A}}{Ln}\nabla^{2}T = 0,$$
(13)

with boundary condition

$$w = 0, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} + \alpha_1 L \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} = 0, T = 1, \phi = 0 \qquad \text{at} \qquad z = 0,$$
(14)

$$w = 0, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} - \alpha_2 L \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} = 0, T = 0, \phi = 1 \qquad \text{at} \qquad z = 1,$$
(15)



where
$$\boldsymbol{u}_{a} = \left[\frac{1}{\xi}u, \frac{1}{\xi}v, w\right]$$
 is the anisotropic modified velocity vector, $\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{z} = (0, 0, 1)$ is the unit vector in
the z-direction, $Rd = \frac{\rho_{f}g\alpha_{T}\tilde{K}_{V}L\Delta T^{*}}{\mu\kappa_{v}}$ is the thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number,
 $Rm = \frac{\left[\rho_{p}\phi_{l}^{*} + \rho_{f}\left(1-\phi_{l}^{*}\right)\right]g\tilde{K}_{v}L}{\mu\kappa_{v}}$ is the basic density Rayleigh number, $Ln = \frac{\kappa_{v}}{D_{B}}$ is the Lewis number,
 $Rn_{v} = \frac{\left(\rho_{p}-\rho_{f}\right)\left(\phi_{u}^{*}-\phi_{l}^{*}\right)g\tilde{K}_{v}L}{\mu\kappa_{v}}$ is the nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number.

$$Ta_{v} = \left(\frac{2\Omega^{*}\rho_{f}\tilde{K}_{v}}{\mu\varepsilon}\right)^{2} \text{ is the porous media related Taylor-Vadasz number, } N_{B} = \frac{\varepsilon(\rho c)_{p}}{(\rho c)_{f}}(\phi_{u}^{*} - \phi_{l}^{*}) \text{ is the}$$

modified particle-density increment, $N_A = \frac{D_T \Delta T^*}{D_B T_u^* (\phi_u^* - \phi_l^*)}$ is the modified density ratio, $\xi = \frac{\tilde{K}_H}{\tilde{K}_V}$ is

the mechanical anisotropy parameter, $\zeta = \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_{mH}}{\tilde{\kappa}_{mV}}$ is the thermal anisotropy parameter, and

$$Q = \frac{Q_0^* L^2}{2\kappa_v (\rho c)_f \Delta T^*}$$
 is the dimensionless heat source strength

In the quiescent basic state, the temperature and volumetric fraction of nanoparticles vary only in the vertical *z*-direction and satisfy the following equations [27],

$$-\frac{dp_b}{dz} - Rm + RdT_b - Rn_d\phi_b = 0,$$
(16)

$$\frac{d^2 T_b}{dz^2} + \frac{N_B}{Ln} \frac{dT_b}{dz} \frac{d\phi_b}{dz} + \frac{N_A N_B}{Ln} \left(\frac{d^2 T_b}{dz^2}\right) + Q = 0,$$
(17)

$$N_A \frac{d^2 T_b}{dz^2} + \frac{d^2 \phi_b}{dz^2} = 0.$$
 (18)

The above equations are solved subject to the boundary conditions

$$T_b(0) = 1, \phi_b(0) = 0$$
 at $z = 0,$ (19)

$$T_b(1) = 0, \phi_b(1) = 1$$
 at $z = 1.$ (20)

Integrating Eq. (18) with respect to z and using the boundary conditions (19) and (20), we get

$$\phi_b = -N_A T_b + (1 - N_A) z + N_A.$$
(21)

Using Eq. (20) in Eq. (17), we obtain



$$\frac{d^2 T_b}{dz^2} + \frac{(1 - N_A)N_B}{Ln}\frac{dT_b}{dz} + Q = 0.$$
 (22)

On integrating (22) with respect to z twice and using the boundary conditions (19) and (20), we get

$$T_{b}(z) = \frac{e^{\frac{(N_{A}-1)N_{B}z}{L_{n}}} \left[-N_{B}(N_{A}-1) - LnQ \right] - LnQ(z-1) + e^{\frac{(N_{A}-1)N_{B}z}{L_{n}}} \left[N_{B}(N_{A}-1) - LnQz \right]}{N_{B}(N_{A}-1) \left[e^{\frac{(N_{A}-1)N_{B}z}{L_{n}}} - 1 \right]},$$
(23)

$$\phi_{b}(z) = z + \frac{N_{A}(N_{A}N_{B} - N_{B} + LnQ) \left[e^{\frac{(N_{A} - 1)N_{B}z}{Ln}} - 1 + z - ze^{\frac{(N_{A} - 1)N_{B}z}{Ln}} \right]}{N_{B}(N_{A} - 1) \left[e^{\frac{(N_{A} - 1)N_{B}z}{Ln}} - 1 \right]}.$$
(24)

For most of the nanofluids, $N_A \approx 1$ to 10, $Ln \approx 10^2$ to 10^3 , $N_B \approx 10^{-4}$ to 10^{-2} , and consequently $\varepsilon = \frac{(-1+N_A)N_B}{Ln}$ is very small of order 10^{-7} to 10^{-4} [27]. Hence, expanding $T_b(z)$ and $\phi_b(z)$ in power series of ε and retaining up to the first-order terms, we have

$$T_b(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(2 - 2z + Qz - Qz^2 \right) + \frac{1}{12} \left(6z - Qz - 6z^2 + 3Qz^2 - 2Qz^3 \right) \mathcal{E}...,$$
(25)

$$\phi_b(z) = \left(z - \frac{N_A Q z}{2} + \frac{N_A Q z^2}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{12} \left(-6N_A z + N_A Q z + 6N_A z^2 - 3N_A Q z^2 + 2N_A Q z^3\right) \varepsilon + \dots,$$
(26)

here $\varepsilon \approx 10^{-7}$ to 10^{-4} , as compared to $\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(2-2z+Qz-Qz^2\right)\right] \approx 10^{\circ}$ or $\left(z-\frac{N_AQz}{2}+\frac{N_AQz^2}{2}\right) \approx 10^{\circ}$,

the zeroth order terms are dominant in both $T_b(z)$ and $\phi_b(z)$, hence approximately, we proceed with

$$T_{b}(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(2 - 2z + Qz - Qz^{2} \right),$$
(27)

$$\phi_b\left(z\right) = \left(z - \frac{N_A Q z}{2} + \frac{N_A Q z^2}{2}\right),\tag{28}$$

which demonstrate quadratic distributions in z [27].

Suppose that the basic state is disturbed by an infinitesimal thermal perturbation. We now superimpose perturbations on the basic solution. We write



$$(u, v, w, p, T, \phi, \psi) = [0, 0, 0, p_b(z), T_b(z), \phi_b(z), \psi_{b,z}] + (u', v', w', p', T', \phi', \psi'_z).$$
(29)

We substitute Eq. (29) into Eqs. (10)-(13) and linearize them by neglecting the products of primed quantities and obtain

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u}_D' = 0, \tag{30}$$

$$-\nabla p' - \boldsymbol{u}_{a}' + RdT'\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{z} - Rn_{d}\phi'\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{z} - \sqrt{Ta_{v}}\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{D}'\times\hat{\boldsymbol{e}}_{z}\right) = 0,$$
(31)

$$\frac{\partial T'}{\partial t} - w' \frac{\partial T_b}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T'}{\partial z^2} + \zeta \nabla_H^2 T' - 2 \frac{N_A N_B}{Ln} \frac{\partial T'}{\partial z} \frac{\partial T_b}{\partial z} + \frac{N_B}{Ln} \frac{\partial T'}{\partial z} \frac{\partial \phi_b}{\partial z} - \frac{N_B}{Ln} \frac{\partial \phi'}{\partial z} \frac{\partial T_b}{\partial z} = 0,$$
(32)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma}\frac{\partial\phi'}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\frac{\partial\phi_b}{\partial z}w' = \frac{1}{Ln}\nabla^2\phi' + \frac{N_A}{Ln}\nabla^2T'.$$
(33)

Taking curl $\hat{e}_z \cdot \text{curl} (\nabla \times)$ of Eq. (31), and retaining the z-component, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\xi}\psi'_{z} + \sqrt{Ta_{v}}\frac{\partial w'}{\partial z} = 0.$$
(34)

Now, taking the curl $(\nabla \times)$ twice on the resulting of Eq. (31) together with Eq. (30) by using the curl identity, retaining the vertical component and can be simplified with Eq. (34) as below

$$\left[\nabla_{H}^{2} + \frac{1}{\xi}\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} - \xi T a_{v}\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}}\right]w' - Rd\nabla_{H}^{2}T' + Rn_{d}\nabla_{H}^{2}\phi' = 0,$$
(35)

where ψ'_z is simplified and vanished.

The normal mode expansion of the dependent variables is assumed in the form

$$(w',T',\phi') = \left[W(z),\Theta(z),\Phi(z)\right]e^{\left[i\left(a_{x}x+a_{y}y\right)+st\right]},$$
(36)

then, substituting Eq. (36) into Eqs. (32)-(35) and neglecting the terms of the second and higher orders in the perturbations, we obtain

$$\left(\frac{1}{\xi}D^2 - a^2 + \xi T a_v D^2\right)W + a^2 R a \Theta - a^2 R n_d \Phi = 0,$$
(37)

$$\frac{1}{2}(-2+Q-2Qz)W + \left[D^2 - \zeta a^2 + \frac{N_A N_B}{Ln}(-2+Q-2Qz)D + \frac{N_B}{Ln}\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}N_A Q + N_A Qz\right)D\right]\Theta - \frac{1}{2}\frac{N_B}{Ln}(-2+Q-2Qz)D\Phi = 0,$$
(38)



$$-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\left(1-\frac{1}{2}N_{A}Q+N_{A}Qz\right)W-\frac{N_{A}}{Ln}\left(D^{2}-a^{2}\right)\Theta-\frac{1}{Ln}\left(D^{2}-a^{2}\right)\Phi=0,$$
(39)

where $a = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$ is the wavenumber and $D = \frac{d}{dz}$. For neutral stability the real part of *s* is zero. Hence, $s = i\omega$ where ω is real and is a dimensionless frequency.

Following the proportional feedback control as reported by Bau [36], the continuously distributed actuators and sensors are arranged in a way that for every sensor, there is an actuator positioned directly beneath it. The determination of a control, q(t) can be accomplished using the proportional-integral-differential (PID) controller of the form

$$q(t) = r + K[e(t)], e(t) = \hat{m}(t) + m(t),$$
(40)

where *r* is the calibration of the control, $e(t) = \hat{m}(t) + m(t)$ is an error or deviation from the measurement, $\hat{m}(t)$, from some desired reference value, $\hat{m}(t)$, while *K* is the scalar controller gain

where $K = K_P + K_D \frac{d}{dt} + K_L \int_0^t dt$, and K_P is the proportional gain, K_D is the differential gain, and K_L

is the integral gain. Based on Eq. (40), for one sensor plane and proportional feedback control, the actuator modifies the heated surface temperature using a proportional relation between the upper, z = 1 and the lower, z = 0, thermal boundaries for the perturbation field

$$T'(x, y, 0, t) = -KT'(x, y, 1, t),$$
(41)

where T' denotes the deviation of the temperature of fluid from its conductive state.

Eqs. (37)-(39) are solved subject to the appropriate boundary conditions. Considering the proportional controller, *K* positioned at the lower boundary of nanofluid layer, we will have

$$W = DW = \Theta(0) + K\Theta(1) = \phi = \Psi = D\Psi = 0 \text{ at } z = 0.$$
 (42)

The Galerkin-type weighted residuals method is applied to find the approximate solution to the system. The variables are written in a series of basis functions

$$W = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{i} W_{i}, \Theta = \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_{i} \Theta_{i}, \Phi = \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i} \Phi_{i},$$
(43)

where A_i , B_i and C_i are constants and the basis functions W_i , Θ_i and Φ_i where i = 1, 2, 3, ..., will be chosen corresponding to the free-free, rigid-free and rigid-rigid lower-upper boundary conditions as discussed by Khalid *et al.*, [42].

$$W_{i} = z - 2z^{3} + z^{4}, \Theta_{i} = z(z-2), \Phi_{i} = z(z-1),$$

$$W_{i} = z^{2}(1-z)(3-2z), \Theta_{i} = z(z-2), \Phi_{i} = z(z-1),$$

$$W_{i} = z^{2}(1-z)^{2}, \Theta_{i} = z(z-2), \Phi_{i} = z(z-1).$$
(44)



Substitute Eq. (44) into Eqs. (37)-(39) and make the expressions on the left-hand sides of those equations (the residuals) orthogonal to the trial functions, thereby obtaining a system of *3N* linear algebraic equations in the *3N* unknowns. The vanishing of the determinant of the coefficients produces the eigenvalue equation for the system. One can regard *Rd* as the eigenvalue and thus *Rd* is found in terms of the other parameters.

Maple programming is used to approximate the solutions and the eigenvalue of thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* for lower-upper rigid-rigid boundary conditions has to be extracted from the following determinant definition

$$\det = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{a^2}{630} + \frac{2}{105\xi} + \frac{2Ta_v\xi}{105} & \frac{a^2Rd}{42} & \frac{-a^2Rn_d}{140} \\ \frac{Q}{840} + \frac{1}{42} & \frac{8a^2\zeta}{15} - \frac{7QN_AN_B}{30Ln} + \Lambda_1 & \frac{-11QN_B}{60Ln} + \Lambda_2 \\ \frac{QN_A}{280\varepsilon} + \Lambda_3 & \frac{11a^2N_A}{20Ln} + \Lambda_4 & \frac{3a^2}{10Ln} + \Lambda_5 \end{vmatrix}$$
(45)

here, we have

$$\Lambda_{1} = \frac{(Q-2)N_{A}N_{B}}{2Ln} + \frac{2-QN_{A}}{2Ln}N_{B} + \frac{4}{3} + K,$$

$$\Lambda_{2} = \frac{-2+Q}{6Ln}N_{B},$$

$$\Lambda_{3} = \frac{2-QN_{A}}{140\varepsilon},$$

$$\Lambda_{4} = \frac{2N_{A}-2a^{a}N_{A}}{3Ln} - \frac{N_{A}}{Ln},$$

$$\Lambda_{5} = \frac{2-a^{2}}{3Ln} - \frac{1}{Ln}.$$
(46)

3. Results and Discussion

Control on the onset of Rayleigh-Benard convection is investigated in a rotating anisotropic porous medium (the Horton-Rogers-Lapwood problem) saturated by nanofluids with internal heat source heated from below. Three different types of velocity boundary conditions, namely both boundaries free (free-free), both boundaries rigid (rigid-rigid) and lower rigid-upper free (rigid-free) are considered. The resulting generalized eigenvalue problem is solved numerically using the Galerkin method. The parameters are fixed with K = 10, $Ta_v = 500$, $\mathcal{E} = 0.9$, Q = 0.5, $\xi = 0.8$, $\zeta = 0.6$, $N_A = 2$, $N_B = 0.01$, Ln = 100 and $Rn_d = 2$ except the varying parameter. Figures 2-9 are the plotted for the configuration of Darcy-Rayleigh number Rd versus wavenumber a, and in these respective figures, the comparative analysis of the thermal instability for porosity $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 are done. Meanwhile, Figures 10-15 show the plots for critical Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd_c as a function of selected parameters.

Test computations have been performed and the results are compared with Char and Chiang [24] and Yadav *et al.*, [27] for the limiting case of nanofluids (regular fluids, Ra_c) K = 0, $Ta_v = 0$, Q = 0, $\xi = 0$



0, $\zeta = 0$, $N_A =$, $N_B = 0.01$, Ln = 0, $Rn_d = 0$ in the absence of porous media, $\mathcal{E} = 0$. The comparison results of critical thermal Rayleigh number Ra_c for the rigid-rigid, rigid-free and free-free boundary conditions are presented in Tables 1-3. As can be seen in the tables, the results are in good agreement with those reported by Char and Chiang [24] and Yadav *et al.*, [27], thus verify the accuracy of the analysis.

Table 1

Comparisons of *Ra_c* for different values of *Q* for regular fluid in rigid-rigid boundary conditions

	Char and Chiang [24]	Yadav <i>et al.,</i> [27]	Present Study
Q	Rigid-rigid	Rigid-rigid	Rigid-rigid
	Rac	Rac	Rac
0	1707.85	1707.76	1707.85
1	1704.61	1704.52	1705.41
2	1695.04	1694.95	1702.97
10	1463.05	1462.86	1463.13
20	1118.66	1118.45	1118.35

Table 2

Comparisons of *Ra_c* for different values of *Q* for regular fluid in rigid-free boundary conditions

	Char and Chiang [24]	Yadav <i>et al.,</i> [27]	Present Study
Q	Rigid-free	Rigid-free	Rigid-free
	Rac	Rac	Rac
0	1100.65	1100.64	1100.65
1	1055.58	1055.57	1057.46
2	1011.44	1011.43	1017.53
10	725.60	725.60	725.59
20	517.87	517.83	517.73

Table 3

Comparisons of *Ra*^c for different values of *Q* for regular fluid in free-free boundary conditions

	Yadav <i>et al.,</i> [27]	Present Study
Q	Free-free	Free-free
	Rac	Rac
0	1707.76	1707.85
1	1704.52	1705.41
2	1694.95	1702.97
10	1462.86	1463.13
20	1118.45	1118.35

In Figure 2 showed the variation of thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* with wavenumber, *a* for different values of the mechanical anisotropy parameter, $\xi = 0.7$ and 0.8. It is found from Figure 2 that as ξ increases the value of thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* also increases showing a stabilizing effect on thermal instability. This is due to the permeability \tilde{K}_{H} in the *x*-direction increases or permeability in the *z*-direction \tilde{K}_{V} decreases. Therefore, in both situations it becomes more difficult for the fluid to flow in the *z*-direction and, hence, onset of convection takes place at a higher thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd*. As for the Figure 3 indicates the effect of thermal anisotropy parameter, $\zeta = 0.6$, 0.7 on the instability. The thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* increases on



increasing thermal anisotropy parameter, ζ showing that the effect of increasing the thermal anisotropy parameter, ζ is to stabilize the system. As for the effect of porosity, it is found to stabilize the system. From the respective figure, the increase in porosity can be defined as larger volume of the void spaces, hence the flows of nanofluids are slowed down causing the onset of instability to be delayed [27]. Therefore, it is observed that by increasing the porosity is to increase Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* and to stabilize the system as reported by Yadav *et al.*, [27].

The plot of thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, *Rd* and the corresponding wavenumber, *a* for the selected values of feedback control, K = 15 and 20 is presented in Figure 4 for two values of porosity, $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 respectively. Physically, the sensors detect the departure of the fluid from its conductive state and then they direct the actuators to take action so as to suppress any disturbances [36]. In this figure, the results obtained for three different types of velocity boundary conditions, rigid-rigid, rigid-free, and free-free are compared. It is noted that, the rigid-rigid boundaries lead to a substantial stabilizing effect compared to rigid-free and free-free boundaries.

Figure 5 shows the variation of Taylor-Vadasz number, $Ta_v = 700$ and 750 for two values of porosity, $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 in the plot of thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd versus wavenumber, a respectively. The thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd increases with the increased in Taylor-Vadasz number, Ta_v , indicating that the Coriolis force due to a rotation inhibits the onset of convection in nanofluids layer. The fluid moves to the horizontal plane with higher velocity because of the vorticity introduced by the rotation mechanism. Therefore, the velocity of the fluids in the vertical plane is reduced, thereby minimizing the amount of thermal convection [40].



Fig. 2. Plot of ξ on *Rd* against *a*



Fig. 3. Plot of ζ on *Rd* against *a*





Fig. 4. Plot of K on Rd against a



The presence of internal heat source, Q have a significant influence on the thermal instability of the system. To see the effect of internal heat source strength, Q on the criterion for the onset of thermal convection in nanofluids, Figure 6 shows the plot for different values of internal heat source, Q = 0.5, 1 when porosity, $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$, 0.9 in three types of boundary conditions. This plot shows the behaviour of internal heat source, Q which the thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd value is decreasing as internal heat source strength, Q is increased. The increase in the internal heat source strength, Q amount is to increase in energy supply to the system. This gives large deviations in the distributions which in turn improve the disturbances in the layer and the system becomes more unstable [24, 27, 28].

Figure 7 shows the Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd versus the wavenumber, a for various values of the nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number, $Rn_d = 1$ and 2 when porosity $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 in various boundary conditions. Theoretically, an increase of nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rn_d increase the density of the nanoparticles, according to the definition nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rn_d and enhance the heat transfer diffusion within the nanofluid layer. In Figure 8, the chosen values for nanofluids Lewis number, Ln = 100 and 150 are plotted for $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 respectively. The effect of increasing nanofluids Lewis number, Ln advances the onset of convective instability as thermal diffusion is dominated over Brownian diffusion according to the definition of nanofluids Lewis number, Ln.

Thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd against wavenumber, a is plotted in Figure 9 for modified diffusivity ration, $N_A = 1$ and 9 when $\mathcal{E} = 0.1$ and 0.9 in three types of boundary conditions. It is found that, thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd decreases with an increase of modified diffusivity ratio, N_A due to the directly proportional relationship between parameter N_A to the thermophoretic diffusion coefficient D_T . Although thermophoresis effect and Brownian motion are responsible for the motion of nanoparticles in the base fluids, it is observed that thermophoretic effect is more dominating in order to initiate the diffusion of nanoparticles. Therefore, the increase in the values of N_A increase the temperature difference within the nanofluids layer thus hasten the onset of convection. It is interesting to note that the modified particle density, N_B has no significant effect on the nanofluids system. An attempt has been made to scrutinize the effect of N_B in this study but there is no apparent result. This finding agrees well with those reported by Yadav *et al.*, [27] that the impact of N_B is so small and can be omitted.







Fig. 9. Plot of N_A on *Rd* against *a*

The influences of the Taylor-Vadasz number, Ta_v to the nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number, $Rn_d = 1$, 9 are presented in Figure 10 respectively. Obviously, increasing the Coriolis force due to the rotation in nanofluids layer helps to reduce the rate of disturbance caused by nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rn_d thus promoting the stability within the nanofluids layer system. Scrutinizing the critical thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd_c with different boundary conditions, the rigid-rigid boundaries maintain gaining the highest values of Rd_c compared to the free-free and rigid-free boundaries.

The graphs of critical thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd_c against feedback control, K for selected values of internal heat source, Q = 0.5, 1.5 are depicted in Figure 11, respectively. As illustrated earlier, the impact of increasing internal heat source, Q advanced the process of thermal instability. However, elevating the values of feedback control, K helps to delay the onset of convection induced by the effect of internal heat source and stabilizes the system. Feedback control suppress the rate of thermal instability due to the destabilize effect of internal heat source within the system.



The variation of critical thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd_c as a function of nanofluids Lewis number, Ln is presented in Figure 12 for the values of Taylor-Vadasz number, $Ta_v = 1000$, 2000 respectively. In the figure, the results obtained for three different types of velocity boundary conditions, namely rigid-rigid, rigid-free and free-free are compared. It is found that, the stabilizing effect of Taylor-Vadasz number, Ta_v is significantly altered by the destabilizing effect of Ln. Increasing the values of Ln leads to the high diffusivity rate of heat transfer mechanism thus promoting a destabilization phenomenon within the system.





Feedback control, K





Fig. 12. Plot of Rdc with Ln for selected values of Tav

The impact of anisotropic parameters on the onset of convection is depicted in Figure 13. The variation of critical thermal Darcy-Rayleigh number, Rd_c against the thermal anisotropy parameter, ζ and mechanical anisotropy parameter, ξ is shown in Figure 13. The effect of increasing thermal anisotropy parameter, ζ and mechanical anisotropy parameter, ξ is to respectively slow down the onset of convection thus stabilized the system. It is found that the effect of the mechanical anisotropy parameter, ξ is more dominant than thermal anisotropy parameter, ζ . Therefore, the permeability in the *z*-direction is reduced.

Finally, from Figures 14 and 15, it is observed that the onset of convection is depends on the values of porosity subjected to the porous medium, where increasing the values of porosity, \mathcal{E} delays the convection for the increasing values of feedback control, K = 10, 30 and internal heat source, Q = 0.5, 1.5. The results show that, the porosity significantly stabilized the system in the presence of stabilizing effect of feedback control, K and destabilizing effect of internal heat source, Q. Increasing the values of porosity lead to the increase in the volume of void spaces, therefore, the flows of nanofluids are slowed down causing the onset of instability to be postponed [27] even in the existence of internal heat source.



Fig. 13. Plot of Rdc with ζ for selected values of ξ





Fig. 15. Plot of Rd_c with \mathcal{E} for selected values of Q

4. Conclusions

Linear stability analysis of Rayleigh-Benard convective instability in nanofluids layer saturating a rotating anisotropic porous medium (the Horton-Rogers-Lapwood problem) heated from below with feedback control and internal heat source has been examined theoretically. The Darcy model includes the effective mechanism for convective enhancement in nanofluids layer system, namely the Brownian motion and thermophoresis. Free-free, rigid-rigid, and lower-rigid and upper-free boundary conditions are taken in consideration. The resulting eigenvalue problem is solved numerically using the Galerkin technique and computed by using Maple software. The effect of various parameters is considered and presented graphically.

The initiation of Rayleigh-Benard convection sets in at higher values of Darcy-Rayleigh number Rd for the application effects of feedback control K, Taylor-Vadasz number Ta_v , and porosity \mathcal{E} , together with the impact of anisotropic parameters; the mechanical anisotropy parameter ξ and thermal anisotropy parameter ζ within the nanofluids layer system successfully. The initiation of Rayleigh-Benard convection sets earlier when the values of internal heat source Q, modified diffusivity ratio

 N_A , nanofluids Lewis number Ln and nanoparticles concentration Darcy-Rayleigh number Rn_d are increased in the system, thus advancing the onset of Rayleigh-Benard convection.

The modified particle density increment N_B is found to have no visible observation on the onset of convective instability in a porous medium, therefore this effect can be omitted as reported by Yadav *et al.*, [27]. The most stable system is when the both lower-upper boundary conditions are rigid and least stable is when both lower-upper boundary conditions are free: $(Rd)_{\text{free-free}} < (Rd)_{\text{rigid-free}}$ < $(Rd)_{\text{rigid-rigid}}$ and $(Rd_c)_{\text{free-free}} < (Rd_c)_{\text{rigid-free}}$.

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