# EFFECT OF THE COUPLE-STRESS ON MICRO POLAR FLUID FLOW SATURATING A POROUS MEDIUM

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#### Abstract

Effect of the couple-stress on micro polar fluid layer heated from below in a porous medium is studied. The dispersion relation has been analyzed using normal mode and it is found that the medium permeability has destabilizing effect. The couple-stress parameter, coupling parameter, heat conduction parameter and micro-polar coefficient have stabilizing effect. The sufficient condition for the non-existence of over stability has been obtained.

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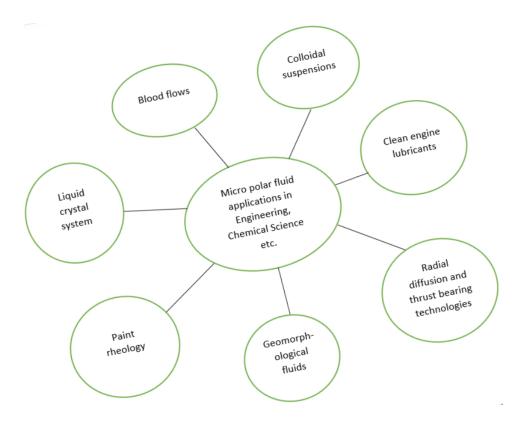
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#### 1. Introduction

The general theory of micro polar fluid was introduced Eringen [4, 5]. The theory of micro polar fluid and viscous fluid in a vertical channal, developed by chamkha et al. [3] and Kumar [6]. Colloidal fluids, animal blood, liquid crystals, polymeric suspension are few examples of micro polar fluids [5, 9]. Sharma and Gupta [12] investigated the thermal convection on micro polar fluid in porous medium. Chamkha [2] discussed the problem of hydro magnetic two-phase flow in a channel. Sunil et al. [16] analyzed rotation and different parameters on a micro-polar ferromagnetic fluid flow. Sharma et al. [13] studied the effect of porosity, magnetic field and electrically conducting. Wooding [17] discussed the Rayleigh instability of flow through a porous medium. Mittal and Rana [10] investigated the medium permeability, suspended particles and other parameters on the micro-polar ferromagnetic fluid flow saturating a porous medium.

Stokes [15] studied the classical theory of couple-stress fluid. Kumawat and mehta [7] discussed the effect rotation and other parameters on the micro polar ferromagnetic fluid flow. Banyal and Singh [1] investigated the rotation on the couple-stress fluid in a porous medium. Shivakumara et al. [14] analyzed the onset of convection in a couple-stress fluid flow saturating a porous medium by the Galerkin method. Kumawat et al. [8] studied the effect of the couple-stress on micro polar rotating fluid flow. Xiong et al. [18] investigated the couple stress on couple stress fluid flow between parallel

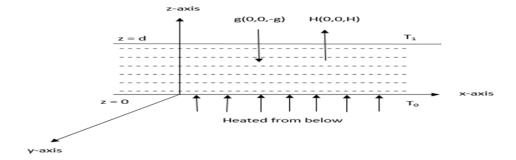
plates with thermal convection. Pundir et al. [11] discussed the effect of medium permeability, couple-stress parameter and magnetization on ferromagnetic fluid layer heated from below in a porous medium with hall current. We have highlighted some applications of this theory.



In this paper, we attempt to study the couple-stress on micro-polar fluid flow saturating a porous medium. To our knowledge this problem has not yet been investigated using the generalized Darcy's model.

#### 2. Mathematical Formulation

An infinite, horizontal, incompressible micro-polar fluid layer of thickness d is assumed and has porosity  $\in$  and medium permeability  $k_1$ . The upper limit z=d and lower limit z=0 are maintained at constant but varying temperatures  $T_0$  and  $T_1$  such that a study adverse temperature gradient  $\beta=\left|\frac{dT}{dz}\right|$  has been continued.



The equation of continuity, motion, angular momentum, temperature and basic's state are

$$\nabla . \vec{q} = 0, \tag{2.1}$$

$$\frac{\rho_0}{\epsilon} \left[ \frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\vec{q}.\nabla) \vec{q} \right] = -\nabla P - \rho g \hat{e}_z + \left( \mu - \frac{\mu'}{\rho_0} \nabla^2 \right) \nabla^2 \vec{q} - \frac{1}{k_1} (\mu + \varsigma) \vec{q} + \varsigma (\nabla \times \vec{v}), \quad (2.2)$$

$$\rho_0 J \left[ \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v} \right] = (\alpha' + \beta') \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) + \gamma' \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \frac{\varsigma}{\epsilon} (\nabla \times \vec{q}) - 2\varsigma \vec{v}, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\left[ \in \rho_0 C_v + (1 - \epsilon) \rho_s C_s \right] \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \rho_0 C_v (\vec{q}.\nabla) T = \chi \nabla^2 T + \delta (\nabla \times \vec{v}) . \nabla T, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\rho = \rho_0 [1 - \alpha (T - T_a)]. \tag{2.5}$$

where,  $\rho$  - Fluid density,  $\rho_0$  - Reference density,  $\vec{q}$  - Filter velocity,  $\vec{v}$  - Spin (micro rotation),  $\mu$  - Shear kinematic viscosity coefficient,  $\varsigma$  - Coupling viscosity coefficient, P - Pressure,  $\mu'$  - Couple stress viscosity,  $\hat{e}_z$  - Unit vector in z-direction,  $\alpha'$  - Bulk spin viscosity coefficient,  $\beta'$  - Shear spin viscosity coefficient,  $\gamma'$  - Micro-polar viscosity coefficient, J - Micro inertia constant, t - time,  $C_v$  - Specific heat at constant volume and magnetic field,  $C_s$  - Specific heat of solid (Porous Material Matrix),  $\rho_s$  - Density of solid matrix,  $\chi$  - Thermal conductivity, T - Temperature,  $\delta$  - Micro-polar heat conduction coefficient,  $\alpha$  - Coefficient of thermal expansion.

#### 3. Basic State

The basic's state is

$$\vec{q} = \vec{q}_b(0,0,0), \ \vec{v} = \vec{v}_b(0,0,0), \ \rho = \rho_b(z), P = P_b(z).$$

From equation (2.1) to (2.5)

$$\frac{dP_b}{dz} + \rho_b g = 0, (3.1)$$

$$T = T_b(z) = -\beta z + T_a; where \beta = \frac{(T_1 - T_0)}{d},$$
 (3.2)

$$\rho_b = \rho_0 \left( 1 + \alpha \beta z \right). \tag{3.3}$$

### 4. Linearize Perturbation Equations

$$\nabla . \vec{q}' = 0, \tag{4.1}$$

$$\frac{\rho_0}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \vec{q}''}{\partial t} = -\nabla P' + \alpha \theta g \hat{e}_z + \left(\mu - \frac{\mu'}{\rho_0} \nabla^2\right) \nabla^2 \vec{q}' - \frac{1}{k_1} (\mu + \varsigma) \vec{q}' + \varsigma \left(\nabla \times \vec{v}'\right), \tag{4.2}$$

$$\rho_0 J \frac{\partial \vec{v}'}{\partial t} = (\alpha' + \beta') \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{v}') + \gamma' \nabla^2 \vec{v}' + \frac{\varsigma}{\varsigma} (\nabla \times \vec{q}') - 2\varsigma \vec{v}', \tag{4.3}$$

$$E\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + (\vec{q}.\nabla) T_b = k_T \nabla^2 \theta - \frac{\delta}{\rho_0 C_v} (\nabla \times \vec{v}')_z \beta + \beta (\vec{q}')_z, \tag{4.4}$$

$$\rho' = -\rho_0 \alpha \theta. \tag{4.5}$$

Converting equation (4.1) to (4.5) by the following transform  $\vec{q}' = \frac{k_T}{d}\vec{q}*$ ,  $P' = \frac{\mu k_T}{d^2}P*$ ,  $\vec{v}' = \frac{k_T}{d^2}\vec{v}*$ ,  $t = \frac{\rho_0 d^2}{\mu}t*$ ,  $\nabla = \frac{\nabla *}{d}$ ,  $\theta = \beta d \theta *$ , we have

$$\nabla . \vec{q} = 0, \tag{4.6}$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t} = -\nabla P + R\theta \hat{e}_z + \left(1 - F\nabla^2\right) \nabla^2 \vec{q} - \frac{1}{K_1} (1 + K) \vec{q} + K \left(\nabla \times \vec{v}\right), \tag{4.7}$$

$$\bar{J}\frac{\partial \vec{v}'}{\partial t} = C_1 \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) - C_0 \nabla (\nabla \times \vec{v}) + K \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\nabla \times \vec{q}) - 2\vec{v} \right\}, \tag{4.8}$$

$$EP_r \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 \theta - \bar{\delta} (\nabla \times \vec{v})_z + (\vec{q})_z. \tag{4.9}$$

where,  $R = \frac{\rho_0 g \alpha \beta d^4}{\mu k_T}$  - Thermal Rayleigh number,  $P_r = \frac{\mu}{\rho_0 k_T}$  - Prandtl number,  $F = \frac{\mu'}{\rho_0 d^2}$ ,  $E = \in +\frac{(1-\epsilon)\rho_s C_s}{\rho_0 C_v}$ ,  $\bar{J} = \frac{J}{d^2}$ ,  $K_1 = \frac{k_1}{d^2}$ ,  $\bar{\delta} = \frac{\delta}{\rho_0 C_v d^2}$ ,  $C_0 = \frac{\gamma'}{\mu d^2}$ ,  $C_1 = \frac{\alpha' + \beta' + \gamma'}{\mu d^2}$  and  $W = \vec{q} \cdot \hat{e}_z$ .

#### 5. Boundary conditions

The boundary condition is

$$W = \frac{d^2W}{dz^2} = 0, \ \theta = 0 \ at \ z = 0 \ and \ z = d. \tag{5.1}$$

#### 6. Dispersion Relation

Taking curl on both side equation (4.7), we have

$$\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1}\right) - \left(1-F\nabla^2\right)\nabla^2\right](\nabla \times \vec{q}) = R\left(\frac{\partial\theta}{\partial x}\hat{e}_x + \frac{\partial\theta}{\partial x}\hat{e}_y\right) + K\nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{v}). \quad (6.1)$$

Assume  $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$ ,  $\nabla_1^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$ ,  $D = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ ,  $\zeta_z = (\nabla \times \vec{q})_z$ ,  $\Omega_z' = (\nabla \times \vec{v})_z$ . Taking curl and z-component of equations (6.1) and (4.8), we have

$$\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1}\right) - \left(1-F\nabla^2\right)\nabla^2\right]\nabla^2 W = R\nabla_1^2\theta + K\nabla^2\Omega_z'\hat{e}_z,\tag{6.2}$$

$$\bar{J}\frac{\partial\Omega_{z'}}{\partial t} = C_0 \nabla^2 \Omega_{z'} - K \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \nabla^2 W + 2\Omega_{z'} \right]. \tag{6.3}$$

Taking z-component of equation (4.9), we have

$$EP_r \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 \theta - \bar{\delta} \, \Omega_z^{\ \prime} + W. \tag{6.4}$$

### 6.1 Normal Mode Analysis

Let  $[W, \zeta_z, \theta, \Omega_z'] = [W(z), X(z), \Theta(z), G(z)] \exp \left[ik_x x + ik_y y + \sigma t\right]$ Apply normal mode of equation (6.2) to (6.4), then

$$\left[\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} + \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1}\right) + F(D^2 - a^2)^2 - (D^2 - a^2)\right] (D^2 - a^2) W = -Ra^2 \Theta + K(D^2 - a^2) G, \quad (6.5)$$

$$\left[m\sigma + 2A - \left(D^2 - a^2\right)\right]G = -\frac{A}{\epsilon}\left(D^2 - a^2\right)W,\tag{6.6}$$

$$\left[EP_r\sigma - \left(D^2 - a^2\right)\right]\Theta = -\bar{\delta}G + W. \tag{6.7}$$

where,  $a^2 = k_x^2 + k_y^2$  - wave number,  $\sigma = \sigma_r + i \sigma_r$  - stability parameter and  $m = \frac{\bar{J}A}{K}$ ,  $A = \frac{K}{C_0}$ , A - ratio between the micro-polar viscous effect and micro-polar diffusion effects.

$$W = D^{2}W = 0 = X = DX = G, \Theta = 0 \text{ at } z = 0 \text{ to } z = 1$$

$$D^{2n}W = 0 \text{ at } z = 0 \text{ to } z = 1, n > 0.$$
(6.8)

Thus, the proper solution of equation (6.8) is

$$W = W_0 \sin \pi z$$
.

Eliminating  $\Theta$ , G and X from (6.5) to (6.7) and putting the value of W and  $b = \pi^2 + a^2$ , we have

$$b\left[\left\{\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} + \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1}\right) + Fb^2 + b\right\}\right] [m\sigma + 2A + b] [EP_r\sigma + b] = Ra^2$$

$$\left[(m\sigma + 2A + b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon}\right] + \frac{KAb^2}{\epsilon} [EP_r\sigma + b]. \quad (6.9)$$

Now, the absence of couple-stress in equation (6.9), we have

$$b\left[\left\{\frac{\sigma}{\epsilon} + \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1}\right)\right\}\right] [m\sigma + 2A + b] [EP_r\sigma + b] = Ra^2$$

$$\left[(m\sigma + 2A + b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon}\right] + \frac{KAb^2}{\epsilon} [EP_r\sigma + b].$$

This result derived by Sharma and Gupta (1995).

## 7. Stationary Convection

Putting  $\rho = 0$  in equation (6.9), we have

$$R = \frac{1}{a^2} \left[ \frac{b^2 \left(2A + b\right) \left(\frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b\right) - \frac{KAb^3}{\epsilon}}{\left((2A + b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon}\right)} \right]. \tag{7.1}$$

Now, the absence of couple-stress in equation (7.1), we have

$$R = \frac{1}{a^2} \left[ \frac{b^3 \left\{ \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} \right) - \frac{KA}{\epsilon} \right\} + 2Ab^2 \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} \right)}{\left( 2A + b - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right)} \right].$$

It is derived by Sharma and Gupta (1995).

To discussed the behavior of permeability, Couple-stress parameter, coupling parameter, micro-polar coefficient, micro-polar heat transfer parameter and find the nature of  $\frac{dR}{dK_1}$ ,  $\frac{dR}{dF}$ ,  $\frac{dR}{dK}$ ,  $\frac{dR}{dA}$  and  $\frac{dR}{d\bar{\delta}}$  respectively, then

$$\frac{dR}{dK_1} = \frac{-b^2 (2A+b)(1+K)}{a^2 K_1^2 \left( (2A+b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right)},$$

$$\frac{dR}{dK_1} < 0 \text{ if } \bar{\delta} < \frac{\epsilon}{A}.$$
(7.2)

From equation (7.2), we can say that the permeability has destabilizing effect.

$$\frac{dR}{dF} = \frac{b^4 (2A + b)}{a^2 \left( (2A + b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right)},$$

$$\frac{dR}{dF} > 0 \text{ if } \bar{\delta} < \frac{\epsilon}{A}.$$
(7.3)

From equation (7.3), we can say that the couple-stress parameter has stabilizing effect.

$$\frac{dR}{dK} = \frac{\left[Ab^2\left(\frac{2}{K_1} - \frac{b}{\epsilon}\right) + \frac{b^3}{K_1}\right]}{a^2\left((2A+b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon}\right)},$$

$$\frac{dR}{dK} > 0 \text{ if } \frac{2}{K} > \frac{b}{\epsilon} \text{ and } \bar{\delta} < \frac{\epsilon}{4}.$$
(7.4)

From equation (7.4), we can say that the coupling parameter has stabilizing effect.

$$\frac{dR}{dA} = \frac{\frac{b^4}{\epsilon} \left[ \bar{\delta} \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b \right) - K \right]}{a^2 \left( (2A+b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right)^2}, \tag{7.5}$$

$$\frac{dR}{dA} > 0 \quad if \quad \bar{\delta} \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b \right) > K.$$

From equation (7.5), we can say that the micro-polar coefficient has stabilizing effect.

$$\frac{dR}{d\bar{\delta}} = \frac{Ab}{\epsilon} \frac{\left[ \left( 2Ab^3 - \frac{KAb^3}{\epsilon} \right) + b^4 + (2A+b) \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 \right) \right]}{a^2 \left( (2A+b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right)^2}, \tag{7.6}$$

$$\frac{dR}{d\bar{\delta}} > 0 \text{ if } K < 2 \in .$$

From equation (7.6), we can say that the micro-polar heat transfer parameter has stabilizing effect.

## 8. Oscillatory Convection

Putting  $\sigma = i \sigma_i$  in equation (6.9) then we get real and imaginary part, eliminating *R* between them, we have

$$f_0 \sigma_i^2 + f_1 = 0. (8.1)$$

where,

$$\begin{split} f_0 &= a_1q_1 - p_1b_1, \\ f_1 &= a_2q_1 - p_2b_1, \end{split}$$
 
$$P_1 &= -\frac{EP_rmb}{\epsilon}, \quad q_1 &= ma^2, \quad b_1 &= a^2 \left[ (2A+b) - \frac{\bar{\delta}Ab}{\epsilon} \right], \\ a_1 &= -\left[ \left\{ \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b \right) + \right\} E_r P_r mb + \frac{b}{\epsilon} \left\{ (2A+b) EP_r + mb \right\} \right], \\ a_2 &= (2A+b) b^2 \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b \right) - \frac{KAb^3}{\epsilon}, \\ P_2 &= \left[ \frac{(2A+b)b^2}{\epsilon} + b \left( \frac{1+K}{K_1} + Fb^2 + b \right) \left\{ (2A+b) EP_r + mb \right\} \right] - \frac{KAb^2 EP_r}{\epsilon}. \end{split}$$

From (8.1), we saying that  $\sigma_i^2$  is positive, equation (8.1) for the sum of roots is positive, it is not possible if  $f_1 > 0$  and  $f_0 > 0$ .

If  $f_0 > 0$  and  $f_1 > 0$  when  $\bar{\delta} < \frac{\epsilon}{A}$ ,  $KEP_r < 2$ ,  $K < 2 \in bF$ . Above conditions of the overstability.

#### 9. Numerical Calculation

We show the graphical effect of different parameter in equation (6.9)

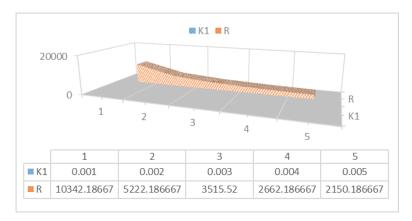


Figure 1.  $E=1,\ P_r=2,\ \in=0.5,\ A=0.1,\ F=2,\ K=0.2\ and\ \bar{\delta}=0.05.$ 

Figure 1 show that the variation of Rayleigh number R with respect to medium permeability i.e. medium permeability increases then Rayleigh number R decreases.

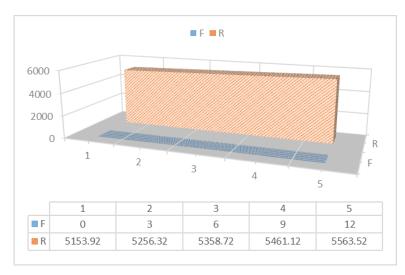


Figure 2.  $E=1, \ P_r=2, \ \in =0.5, \ A=0.1, \ K=0.2, \ K_1=0.002 \ and \ \bar{\delta}=0.05.$ 

Figure 2 plot between Rayleigh number R and couple-stress parameter F i.e. couple-stress parameter F increases then Rayleigh number increases.

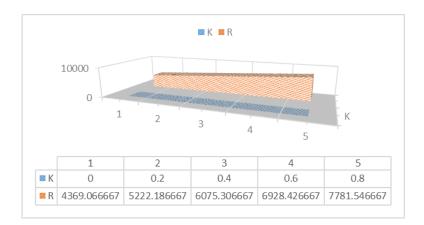


Figure 3.  $E=1, \ P_r=2, \ \in =0.5, \ A=0.1, \ F=2, \ K_1=0.002 \ and \ \bar{\delta}=0.05.$ 

Figure 3 shows the variation of Rayleigh number R with respect to coupling parameter K i.e. coupling parameter K increases then the Rayleigh number increases.

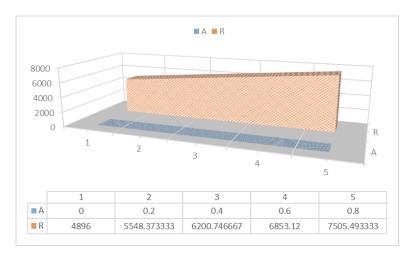


Figure 4.  $E=1, \ P_r=2, \ \in =0.5, \ K=0.2, \ F=2, \ K_1=0.002 \ and \ \bar{\delta}=0.05.$ 

Figure 4 represent the plot of Rayleigh number R versus micro polar coefficient A i.e. micro polar coefficient increases then the Rayleigh number increases.

Figure 5 plot between Rayleigh number R and heat conduction parameter  $\bar{\delta}$  i.e. heat conduction parameter increases then Rayleigh number increases.

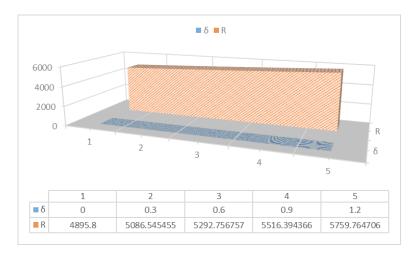


Figure 5.  $E=1, P_r=2, \in=0.5, K=0.2, F=2, K_1=0.002 \text{ and } A=0.1.$ 

## 10. Conclusions

According to the stationary convection and numerically discussion, we found that the effect of permeability is destabilizing. The effect of couple-stress parameter, coupling parameter, micro polar coefficient parameter and heat transfer parameter are stabilizing, among them the most important result that the effect of couple-stress parameter stabilize the system.

The sufficient condition for the non-existence of over stability  $\bar{\delta} < \frac{\epsilon}{A}$ ,  $KEP_r < 2$ ,  $K < 2 \in bF$ .

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