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Rayleigh-Bénard convection is the heat transfer process which due to buoyancy forces that occurred in a plane horizontal layer of micropolar fluids heated from below. The effect of feedback control and magnetic field on the onset of Rayleigh-Bénard convection in a horizontal micropolar fluids layer in the presence of heat generation has been studied. The fluid layer with various boundary conditions at the lower and upper boundaries, and perfectly heat conduction are investigated theoretically based on the linear stability analysis. The various boundary conditions are assumed to be rigid-rigid, rigid-free and free-free. The resulting eigenvalue problems are solved analytically using the Galerkin method. The critical Rayleigh numbers are obtained and the influences of various parameters have been analyzed. It is found that the rigid-rigid surface is the most stable system, and the effect of feedback control as well as the magnetic field always stabilized the system is shown.

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Olakan Rayleigh-Bénard merupakan suatu proses pemindahan haba yang disebabkan oleh daya keapungan bagi lapisan mengufuk bendalir mikropolar yang dipanaskan dari bawah. Kesan kawalan suap balik dan medan magnet ke atas olakan Rayleigh-Bénard dalam lapisan bendalir mikropolar mengufuk dengan kehadiran penjana haba dalaman dikaji. Sistem dengan pelbagai syarat sempadan pada sempadan bawah dan atas, dan konduksi haba yang sempurna telah dikaji secara teori berdasarkan teori kestabilan linear. Syarat sempadan yang pelbagai ini diandaikan seperti tegar-bebas, tegar-tegar dan bebas-bebas. Masalah nilai eigen yang diperolehi diselesaikan secara analitik menggunakan kaedah Galerkin. Nombor kritikal Rayleigh diperolehi dan kesan ke atas beberapa kaedah parameter telah dianalisa. Didapati system permukaan tegar-tegar adalah yang paling stabil, manakala kesan kawalan suap balik dan medan magnet sentiasa menstabilkan system juga ditunjukkan.

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