

Computational and mathematical simulation for the size-dependent dynamic behavior of the high-order FG nanotubes, including the porosity under the thermal effects

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Abstract. Some researchers pointed out that the nonlocal cantilever models do not predict the dynamic softening behavior for nanostructures (including nanobeams) with clamped-free (CF) ends. In contrast, some indicate that the nonlocal cantilever models can capture the stiffness softening characteristics. There are substantial differences on this issue between them. The vibration analysis of porosity-dependent functionally graded nanoscale tubes with variable boundary conditions is investigated in this study. Using a modified power-law model, the tube's porosity-dependent material coefficients are graded in the radial direction. The theory of nonlocal strain gradients is used. Hamilton's principle is used to derive the size-dependent governing equations for simply-supported (S), clamped (C) and clamped-simply supported (CS). Following the solution of these equations by the extended differential quadrature technique, the effect of various factors on vibration issues was investigated further. It can be shown that these factors have a considerable effect on the vibration characteristics. It also can be found that our numerical results can capture the unexpected softening phenomena for cantilever tubes.

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1. Introduction

The application of nano-electro-mechanical systems (NEMS) has been widely used in many technologies, which caused many industrials, and many researchers have been focused on this field (Zhang *et al.* 2016, Wang *et al.* 2020a, 2022a, b Hu *et al.* 2021, Zhao *et al.* 2021a). The high-technology devices, including the thermal sensors, atomic force microscope (AFM), micro/- and nano-switches, vibration sensor, micro/- and nano actuators, etc., these wide applications lead to a wide range of researchers in all the world have worked on the development of the micro and nanosystems and related theories (Fazaeli *et al.* 2016, Ghazanfari *et al.* 2016, Habibi *et al.* 2016, 2018, Hosseini *et al.* 2018, Alipour *et al.* 2020, Cheshmeh *et al.* 2020, Ghabussi *et al.* 2020, Ghazanfari *et al.* 2020, Li *et al.* 2020a, 2020b, Liu *et al.* 2020a, b, Moayedi *et al.* 2020c, Shariati *et al.* 2020b, Shi *et al.* 2020, Wang *et al.* 2020b).

As it was explained, the investigation of small-scale devices and systems is one of the most popular issues in recent years, however, there are some problems in these topics, for example, experimental examinations proved that the classic theories are unable to handle and predict the behavior of the small-scale structures, so the high-order and non-classical theories are necessary to have a good view of

the nanostructures. Eringen (1983) nonlocal theory is one of the most popular high-order and nonclassical theories that predicted the softening behavior due to the nonlocal impact on the nanostructures. On the other hand, Mindlin and Eshel (1968) suggested the strain gradient theory that predicted the hardening phenomenon due to the gradient strain parameter. However, the experimental tests confirmed that both hardening and softening phenomena could be happened in small-scale structures because of different conditions. To develop the previous non-classical theories, Lim *et al.* (2015) presented the nonlocal gradient strain theory, including both softening and hardening characteristics on the small-scale structures, in this theory, the deficiency of the primary theories is compensated. According to the development of the non-classical theories, in recent years, many researchers worked on small-scale structures such as the beam, tube, rod, plate, shell, and other applicable structures in order to investigate dynamic and static analysis (Hamidi *et al.* 2015, Allahkarami *et al.* 2017, Ehyaei *et al.* 2017a, Akbaş 2018a, b, Arefi and Zenkour 2018, Aydogdu *et al.* 2018, Bensaid *et al.* 2018, Navi *et al.* 2019, Ebrahimi *et al.* 2020, Gafour *et al.* 2020, Matouk *et al.* 2020).

Some studies show that (Aranda-Ruiz *et al.* 2012, Sadri *et al.* 2016, Azimi *et al.* 2018) the fundamental frequency of nanobeams with clamped-free ends have a unique behavior, and shown that the nonlocal cantilever models can predict the stiffness hardening behavior, while some others (Eltaher *et al.* 2014, Xu *et al.* 2016, 2017) indicates that the nonlocal

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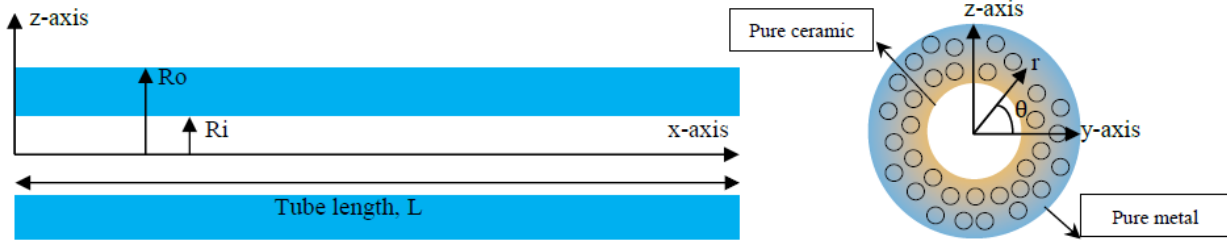


Fig. 1 A nanotube's geometry and coordinated system (She *et al.* 2018a)

cantilever models can capture the stiffness softening characteristics. It is clear that there are substantial differences on this issue between them, it is this fact that prompt us to undertake the following study. The current article employs the generalized differential quadrature technique to investigate functionally graded porous nanoscaled tubes with four distinct boundary conditions and draws some significant results.

2. Mathematic and structural equations

Fig. 1 presents the porosity-dependent functionally graded tube that the porosity void is dispersed in the radial direction. The tube length is denoted with 'L', the internal radius is ' R_i ', and the external radius is ' R_o '. Also, the materials are gradually changed in the radial direction between the ceramic and metal phases. The inner tube surface is pure ceramic, and the outer tube surface is pure metal.

In addition, the material properties (including Young's modulus E , mass density ρ and thermal expansion coefficient α) of the nanotube with porosity vary along the radial direction (r -direction), as

$$\begin{aligned} E(r, T) &= (E_c(T) - E_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + E_m(T) \\ &- \beta \cos \left(\frac{\pi r - R_i}{2 R_o - R_i} \right) \left[(E_c(T) - E_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + E_m(T) \right] \\ \alpha(r, T) &= (\alpha_c(T) - \alpha_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + \alpha_m(T) \\ &- \beta \cos \left(\frac{\pi r - R_i}{2 R_o - R_i} \right) \left[(\alpha_c(T) - \alpha_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + \alpha_m(T) \right] \\ \rho(r, T) &= (\rho_c(T) - \rho_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + \rho_m(T) \\ &- \beta \cos \left(\frac{\pi r - R_i}{2 R_o - R_i} \right) \left[(\rho_c(T) - \rho_m(T)) \left(\frac{r - R_i}{R_o - R_i} \right)^n + \rho_m(T) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

In this equation, c and m stand for the ceramic and metal. Where ' r ' is the radial variation, FG parameter is ' n ', the porous parameter is ' β ', and ' T ' is the temperature that is applied in the mechanical properties of material on the basis of the Touloukian and Ho (1970) relation which are listed in Table 1.

Based on Zhang and Fu's tube model (Lim *et al.* 2015), The displacement along the x , y , and z axes may be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x, y, z, t) &= u + g(y, z) \left[\frac{\partial w(x, t)}{\partial x} + \psi(x, t) \right] - z \frac{\partial w(x, t)}{\partial x} \\ u_2 &= 0, u_3(x, y, z, t) = w(x, t) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where

$$g(y, z) = z \times \left[\frac{(R_o^2 R_i^2 r^{-2} - \frac{r^2}{3})}{(R_o^2 + R_i^2)} + 1 \right] \quad (3)$$

where ' u ' denotes axial displacement, ' w ' denotes transverse displacement, ' ψ ' denotes rotation, and ' t ' denotes time. It should be noted that ' $g = z$ ' for the Timoshenko beam model. We may calculate the strains using Eq. (2).

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{xx} &= \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)^2 - z \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \\ &+ g(y, z) \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right), \quad \varepsilon_T = \alpha \Delta T, \\ \varepsilon_{xy} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g(y, z)}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \psi \right) \\ \varepsilon_{xz} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g(y, z)}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \psi \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Then, we can obtain the stresses, as

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{xx} &= E \varepsilon_{xx} - E \varepsilon_T, \sigma_{xy} = G \varepsilon_{xy}, \\ \sigma_{xz} &= G \varepsilon_{xz}, G = \frac{E}{2(1 + \nu)} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The Hamilton principle is used to generate and develop the governing equation as well as boundary conditions.

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \delta \Pi dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (\delta S - \delta K) dt = 0 \quad (6)$$

where ' δS ' is the virtual strain energy, which may be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta S &= \iiint \delta s dv = \\ &= - \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(A_{11} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(u) + A_{11} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta(u) \\ &+ \int_0^L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(D_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \delta(w) + D_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \Big|_0^L \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\ &- \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(D_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) \Big|_0^L \delta(w) + \int_0^L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \delta(w) \\ &+ H_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \Big|_0^L \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) \Big|_0^L \delta(w) \\ &- \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(\psi) + A_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta(\psi) \\ &- \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \delta(\psi) + H_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \Big|_0^L \delta(\psi) \\ &+ \int_0^L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(w) + H_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(H_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \Big|_0^L \delta(w) - 2 \int_0^L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \delta(w) \\
& - 2 E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \Big|_0^L \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) \Big|_0^L \delta(w) \\
& + \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) dx \delta(\psi) - E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \Big|_0^L \delta(\psi) \\
& - \int_0^L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left(E_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(w) - E_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\
& + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(E_{11} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \Big|_0^L \delta(w) + \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (N_T) dx \delta(u) \\
& - N_T \Big|_0^L \delta(u) + \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(N_T \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(w) \\
& - N_T \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta(w) - \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(B_{11} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dx \delta(w) \\
& + B_{11} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L \delta(w) + \int_0^L B_{11} \psi \delta(\psi) + B_{11} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \delta(\psi) dx \\
& - \int_0^L \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (B_{11}(\psi)) dx \delta(w) + B_{11} \psi \Big|_0^L \delta(w)
\end{aligned}$$

In which

$$\begin{aligned}
(A_{11}, D_{11}, E_{11}, H_{11}) &= \int_A E_f(r, T) (1, z^2, zg, g^2) dA, \\
B_{11} &= \int_A G_f(r, T) \left[\left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right)^2 \right] dA \quad (8a)
\end{aligned}$$

$$N_T = \iint E(r, T) \alpha(r, T) \Delta T dA \quad (8b)$$

The variation of kinetic energy can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta K &= \int_{\Omega} \rho(T) \left[\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \right) + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial u_3}{\partial t} \right) \right] d\Omega \\
&= \int_0^L \left\{ \int_A \rho(T) \left[\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} \right) + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial u_3}{\partial t} \right) \right] dA \right\} dx \\
&= \int_0^L \left\{ m_0(T) \left[\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right) + \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \right) \right] \right. \\
&+ m_1(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \right) \\
&+ m_2(T) \left[-\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \right) - 2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \right) - \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) \right. \\
&+ m_3(T) \left. \left[\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \right) + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \delta \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial t} \right) \right] \right\} dx \quad (9)
\end{aligned}$$

In which

$$(m_0, m_1, m_2, m_3) = \int_A \rho_f(T, r) (1, z^2, zg, g^2) dA \quad (10)$$

The Euler-Lagrangian equations are obtained by substituting Eqs. (7) and (9) into Eq. (6).

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta u: \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} &= m_0(T) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \\
\delta \varphi: \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} &- Q \\
&= -m_2(T) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial t^2} + m_3(T) \left(\frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x \partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} \right) \\
\delta w: \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} &= q - N_T \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \quad (11)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -m_0(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + m_1(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} \\
& -m_2(T) \left(2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^3 \psi}{\partial x \partial t^2} \right) \\
& + m_3(T) \left(\frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^3 \psi}{\partial x \partial t^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$N = A_{11} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \quad (12a)$$

$$P = H_{11} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) - E_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \quad (12b)$$

$$M = E_{11} \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) - D_{11} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \quad (12c)$$

$$Q = B_{11} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \psi \right) \quad (12d)$$

Moreover, the derived equations of boundary conditions are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= 0 \text{ or } N_{xx} \Big|_0^L - N_T \Big|_0^L = 0 \\
w &= 0 \text{ or } \frac{\partial M}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + Q - N_T \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L = 0 \\
\psi &= 0 \text{ or } P \Big|_0^L = 0 \\
\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} &= 0 \text{ or } M - P \Big|_0^L = 0 \quad (13)
\end{aligned}$$

3. Impact of nonlocal strain gradient theory

Lim *et al.* (2015) presented the nonlocal strain gradient theory (NSGT), which is a mixture of Eringen (1983) nonlocal stress theory and Aifantis (1992) and Mindlin (1965) strain gradient theories. This idea incorporates two distinct scaling effects. The nonlocal strain gradient theory makes the following assumptions about the total stress tensor ' t_{xx} ':

$$[1 - (ea)^2 \nabla^2] t_{xx} = E(1 - l^2 \nabla^2) \varepsilon_{xx} \quad (14)$$

According to the NGST, the stress resultants (Eq. (12)) can be rewriting as

$$\begin{aligned}
N &= (ea)^2 \frac{\partial^2 N}{\partial x^2} + A_{11}(T) \left(1 - l^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - N_T(T) \right) \\
M &= (ea)^2 \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial x^2} + \left(1 - l^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right) \left[-D_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + E_{11}(T) \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \right] \\
P &= (ea)^2 \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} + \left(1 - l^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \left[-E_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + H_{11}(T) \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \right] \\
Q &= (ea)^2 \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial x^2} + \left(1 - l^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) B_{11}(T) \left(\psi + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \quad (15)
\end{aligned}$$

Based on Hamiltonian variational principle (Moayedi *et al.* 2020a, b, Oyarhossein *et al.* 2020, Shariati *et al.* 2020a,

Zhou *et al.* 2020, Dai *et al.* 2021b, Guo *et al.* 2021a, b, He *et al.* 2021, Huang *et al.* 2021a, Huo *et al.* 2021, Liu *et al.* 2021b, Peng *et al.* 2021, Shao *et al.* 2021, Zhang *et al.* 2021a, b, c) and NSGT (Lim *et al.* 2015a), the motion equations can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta u: & A_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - l^2 \left(A_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4} \right) \\ & = m_0(T) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - (e_0 a^2) \left(m_0(T) \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (16a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi: & EE(T) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} + H_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} - B_{11}(T) \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \psi \right) \\ & - l^2 \left[\begin{array}{l} EE(T) \frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x^5} + H_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^4 \psi}{\partial x^4} \\ -B_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} - B_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} \end{array} \right] \\ & = I_2(T) \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial t^2 \partial x} + m_3(T) \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} \\ & - (e_0 a^2) \left[I_2(T) \frac{\partial^5 w}{\partial x^3 \partial t^2} + m_3(T) \frac{\partial^4 \psi}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (16b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & E(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + EE(T) \frac{\partial^3 \psi}{\partial x^3} - B_{11}(T) \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) \\ & + N^T(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - l^2 \left[\begin{array}{l} E(T) \frac{\partial^6 w}{\partial x^6} + EE(T) \frac{\partial^5 \psi}{\partial x^5} \\ -B_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} - B_{11}(T) \frac{\partial^3 \psi}{\partial x^3} \end{array} \right] \\ & - (e_0 a^2) N^T(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} = I_1(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial t^2 \partial x^2} \\ & - m_0(T) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + I_2(T) \frac{\partial^3 \psi}{\partial x \partial t^2} \\ & - (e_0 a^2) \left[\begin{array}{l} I_1(T) \frac{\partial^6 w}{\partial x^4 \partial t^2} - m_0(T) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} \\ + I_2(T) \frac{\partial^5 \psi}{\partial x^3 \partial t^2} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (16c)$$

In which

$$\begin{aligned} E(T) &= H_{11}(T) + D_{11}(T) - 2E_{11}(T) \\ EE(T) &= H_{11}(T) - E_{11}(T) \\ I_1(T) &= m_3(T) + m_1(T) - 2m_2(T) \\ I_2(T) &= m_3(T) - m_2(T) \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

4. Approach to problem-solving

An algorithm known as the GDQM (Dai *et al.* 2021a, Ebrahimi *et al.* 2021, Hashemi *et al.* 2021, Hou *et al.* 2021, Huang *et al.* 2021b, c, Jiao *et al.* 2021, Liu *et al.* 2021a, c, Ma *et al.* 2021, Moradi *et al.* 2021, Najaafi *et al.* 2021, Shariati *et al.* 2021, Wu and Habibi 2021, Xu *et al.* 2021, Zhao *et al.* 2021b, Yu *et al.* 2022) is used to solve Equation (16). The r -th order derivative of the function ' $f(x_i)$ ' is as follows:

$$\left. \frac{\partial^r f(x)}{\partial x^r} \right|_{x=x_p} = \sum_{j=1}^k C_{ij}^{(r)} f(x_i) \quad (18)$$

k is the number of grid points along x direction and C_{ij} is:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{ij}^{(1)} &= \frac{M(x_i)}{(x_i - x_j)M(x_j)}, i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k \text{ and } i \neq j \\ C_{ij}^{(1)} &= - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n C_{ij}^{(1)}, i = j \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

In which

$$M(x_i) = \prod_{j=1, j \neq i}^k (x_i - x_j) \quad (20a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{ij}^{(r)} &= r \left[C_{ij}^{(r-1)} C_{ij}^{(1)} - \frac{C_{ij}^{(r-1)}}{(x_i - x_j)} \right], i, j \\ &= 1, 2, \dots, k, i \neq j \quad \text{and } 2 \leq r \leq k - 1 \\ C_{ii}^{(r)} &= - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n C_{ij}^{(r)}, i, j \\ &= 1, 2, \dots, k \text{ and } 1 \leq r \leq k - 1 \end{aligned} \quad (20b)$$

The Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto method is used to distribute mesh points (Azimi *et al.* 2016, Ebrahimi and Shafiei 2016, Ghadiri *et al.* 2016a, b, c, d, Ghadiri and Shafiei 2016a, b, c, Shafiei *et al.* 2016a, b, c, d, e, f, g).

$$x_i = \frac{L}{2} \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{(i-1)}{(N-1)} \pi \right) \right) i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k \quad (21)$$

For the FG nanotube boundary conditions and vibration equations, two matrixes must be combined. It is therefore possible to compute the stiffness matrixes

$$\{[K] - \omega^2[M]\}\{\lambda\} = 0 \quad (22)$$

Last but not least, we apply weighting factors Eq. (20) into Eq. (16) to arrive at the following result:

$$\begin{aligned} & A_{11} \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} u_s - l^2 \left(A_{11} \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} u_s \right) \\ & = m_0 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} u_s - (e_0 a^2) m_0 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} u_s \end{aligned} \quad (23a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & EE \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} w_s + H_{11} \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} \psi_s \\ & - B_{11} \left(\sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(1)} w_s + \psi_s \right) \\ & - l^2 \left[\begin{array}{l} EE \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(5)} w_s + H_{11} \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} \psi_s \\ -B_{11} \left(\sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} w_s + \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} \psi_s \right) \end{array} \right] \\ & = \omega^2 \left[\begin{array}{l} I_2 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(1)} w_s + m_3 \psi_s \\ - (e_0 a^2) \left(I_2 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} w_s + m_3 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} \psi_s \right) \end{array} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (23b)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & E \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} w_s + EE \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} \psi_s \\
 & -B_{11} \left(\sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} w_s + \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(1)} \psi_s \right) + N^T \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} w_s \\
 & -l^2 \left[E \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(6)} w_s + EE \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(5)} \psi_s \right. \\
 & \left. -B_{11} \left(\sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} w_s + \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} \psi_s \right) \right] \\
 & -(e_0 a^2) N^T \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} w_s \\
 & = \omega^2 \left[\begin{array}{l} I_1 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} w_s - m_0 w_s + I_2 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(1)} \psi_s \\ - (e_0 a^2) \left(I_1 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(4)} w_s - m_0 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(2)} w_s \right. \\ \left. + I_2 \sum_{s=1}^n C_{rs}^{(3)} \psi_s \right) \end{array} \right] \quad (23c)
 \end{aligned}$$

Considering the different boundary conditions, the fundamental vibration of FG nanotubes can be calculated as below:

$$\begin{bmatrix} [K_{ad}] & [K_{ab}] \\ [K_{bd}] & [K_{bb}] \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \{\lambda_d\} \\ \{\lambda_b\} \end{Bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} [M_{ad}] & [M_{ab}] \\ [M_{bd}] & [M_{bb}] \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \{\lambda_d\} \\ \{\lambda_b\} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

where the indices ‘b’ and ‘d’ correspond to the border and domain, respectively, and ‘λ’ is the mode shape (Ebrahimi and Shafiei 2017, Ebrahimi *et al.* 2017, Ehyaei *et al.* 2017b, Ghadiri *et al.* 2017a, b, c, d, e, Mirjavadi *et al.* 2017a, b, c, d, Shafiei *et al.* 2017a, b, c, d, 2019, 2020, Shafiei and Kazemi 2017a, Shivanian *et al.* 2017, Azimi *et al.* 2018, Shafiei and She 2018).

5. Results and discussions

Before the discussion of the results, the following nondimensional parameters should be define:

$$\mu_{e_0 a} = \frac{e_0 a}{R_0} \quad (25a)$$

$$\mu_l = \frac{l}{R_0} \quad (25b)$$

$$\Psi = \omega \frac{L^2}{R_0} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_0}{E_0}} \quad (25c)$$

where $\mu_{e_0 a}$, μ_l and Ψ are non-dimensional nonlocal parameter, non-dimensional gradient parameter and non-dimensional frequency. R_0 is outer radius of tube and $E_0 = 201.04$ GPa, $\rho_0 = 8166 \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{m}^3}$. To prove the correctness of the present study, the first two natural dimensionless frequency parameters Ψ for simply supported (S-S) $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nanotubes are given in Table 2. From Table 2, we can see that the present results are consistent with the

Table 2 Comparisons of natural frequency parameter for $\text{Si}_3\text{N}_4/\text{SUS304}$ nanotubes (S-S) ($n = 1, R_i/R_0 = 0.5, \Delta T = 0, L/h = 20, \beta = 0$)

	First frequency, $(\Psi_1)^2$	Second frequency, $(\Psi_2)^2$
(Shafiei and She 2018) (Navier solution method)	67.79876	970.5717
Present (GDQM)	67.77202	968.1735
(Shafiei and She 2018) (Navier solution method)	66.16196	883.3973
Present (GDQM)	66.14008	883.3832
(Shafiei and She 2018) (Navier solution method)	55.4876	514.0196
Present (GDQM)	55.4936	514.0216
(Shafiei and She 2018) (Navier solution method)	69.47223	1066.349
Present (GDQM)	69.70663	1066.385
(Shafiei and She 2018) (Navier solution method)	82.86461	1832.696
Present (GDQM)	82.84754	1832.736

existing results, thus, the correctness of the present study is confirmed.

For $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ FG nanotubes with varied boundary conditions, the first two natural dimensionless frequency (Ψ^2) are reported in Tables 3-5. According to Tables 3-5, the current high-order findings are marginally inferior to those predicted by the Timoshenko beam model. Furthermore, the frequency grows and lowers depending on the radial and length aspect ratios, as well as the influence of the radial aspect ratio is more significant than that of the radial. For simply-supported and clamped boundary conditions, the fundamental and second frequencies were shown to decrease with a non-dimensional nonlocal parameter.

The first two natural frequencies of $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nano-scaled tubes with different boundary conditions against the dimensionless nonlocal parameter $\mu_{e_0 a}$ are shown in Figs. 2 and 3, respectively for higher-order theory result. As can be seen, for any supported ends, the frequency decreases with the increase in nonlocal parameter $\mu_{e_0 a}$ and the power law index ‘n’, that is due to the fact that, as power law index ‘n’ or nonlocal parameter $\mu_{e_0 a}$ rise, the stiffness of the tubes decreases, correspondingly, the vibration frequency decreases. So, it is obvious that the nonlocal cantilever nano-scaled tube can capture the stiffness softening characteristics by nonlocal boundary conditions. Many researchers present this fact, the frequency of the cantilever tube or beam (clamped-free boundary condition) increases with nonlocal parameter (Aranda-Ruiz *et al.* 2012), it can be true for when the free boundary condition was as local (it means this boundary was independent to time and nonlocal parameter), but, by using the nonlocal boundary conditions in free edge, it can see the frequency of cantilever decreases with the nonlocal parameter.

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Table 3 Comparisons of natural frequency (Ψ^2) parameter *for* Al₂O₃/Nickel nanotubes ($R_o = 20$ $R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_1 = 1$, $n = 1$, $\Delta T = 10K$)

		First frequency		Second frequency	
		Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order	Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order
SS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	63.05646	62.9963	1060.862	1057.099
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	62.64447	62.58467	1034.919	1031.246
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	61.43825	61.37954	964.0807	960.6552
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	59.52188	59.46488	865.0869	862.0072
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	57.01971	56.96495	755.9161	753.2176
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	54.07773	54.0256	649.8257	647.4978
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	50.84497	50.79573	554.0467	552.0533
CS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	158.1237	157.3617	1687.67	1670.116
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	156.94	156.1871	1643.553	1626.679
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	153.4859	152.7592	1523.82	1508.722
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	148.0335	147.347	1358.308	1345.508
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	140.9797	140.3433	1178.277	1167.774
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	132.7806	132.1999	1005.882	997.3855
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	123.8893	123.3659	852.4283	845.5671
CC	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	334.9041	331.6092	2542.204	2495.426
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	332.2732	329.0242	2472.247	2427.521
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	324.6051	321.4879	2283.043	2243.626
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	312.5291	309.613	2023.196	1990.504
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	296.9584	294.2902	1742.987	1716.83
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	278.9357	276.5386	1477.27	1456.644
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	259.4863	257.3632	1243.108	1226.838

Table 4 Comparisons of natural frequency (Ψ^2) parameter *for* Al₂O₃/Nickel nanotubes ($R_o = 20$ $R_i = L/100 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_1 = 1$, $n = 1$, $\Delta T = 10K$)

		First frequency		Second frequency	
		Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order	Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order
SS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	41.21884	41.22853	970.6741	971.2919
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	41.16231	41.15263	967.0647	966.4494
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	40.95477	40.96442	953.9723	954.5805
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	40.62758	40.63719	933.8113	934.408
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	40.17486	40.1844	906.8438	907.4249
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	39.60176	39.61122	874.1645	874.7268
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	38.91466	38.92402	836.9844	837.5254
CS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	133.4227	133.3113	1606.222	1603.39
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	133.206	133.0948	1598.722	1595.909
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	132.5589	132.4484	1576.599	1573.841
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	131.4901	131.3808	1540.942	1538.271
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	130.0139	129.9062	1493.419	1490.862
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	128.1498	128.0441	1436.096	1433.674
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	125.9214	125.818	1371.232	1368.957
CC	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	311.9977	311.489	2491.952	2484.183
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	311.4828	310.9754	2479.576	2471.867
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	309.9453	309.4418	2443.106	2435.574
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	307.4074	306.9103	2384.434	2377.18
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	303.9049	303.4165	2306.448	2299.555
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	299.4863	299.0088	2212.704	2206.232
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	294.2111	293.7464	2107.06	2101.045

Table 5 Comparisons of natural frequency (Ψ^2) parameter for $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nanotubes ($R_o = 50 R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_l = 1$, $n = 1$, $\Delta T = 10\text{K}$)

	First frequency		Second frequency		
	Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order	Timoshenko ($g = z$)	Higher order	
SS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	63.87944	63.82108	1074.596	1070.944
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	63.46215	63.40415	1048.318	1044.754
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	62.24043	62.18347	976.5658	973.2419
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	60.29942	60.24412	876.2951	873.3068
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	57.76508	57.71196	765.7162	763.0978
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	54.78528	54.73471	658.2574	655.9985
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	51.51096	51.4632	561.243	559.3087
CS	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	160.1749	159.4146	1709.568	1692.132
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	158.976	158.2248	1664.88	1648.124
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	155.4776	154.7527	1543.596	1528.617
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	149.9553	149.2708	1375.942	1363.258
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	142.8111	142.1769	1193.582	1183.189
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	134.5069	133.9287	1018.956	1010.563
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	125.5016	124.9808	863.5182	856.7508
CC	$\mu_{e0a} = 0$	339.2438	335.943	2575.299	2528.579
	$\mu_{e0a} = 1$	336.5791	333.3246	2504.431	2459.775
	$\mu_{e0a} = 2$	328.8127	325.6911	2312.766	2273.446
	$\mu_{e0a} = 3$	316.5817	313.6629	2049.54	2016.973
	$\mu_{e0a} = 4$	300.8113	298.1424	1765.691	1739.676
	$\mu_{e0a} = 5$	282.5575	280.1617	1496.524	1476.045
	$\mu_{e0a} = 6$	262.8587	260.7387	1259.323	1243.197

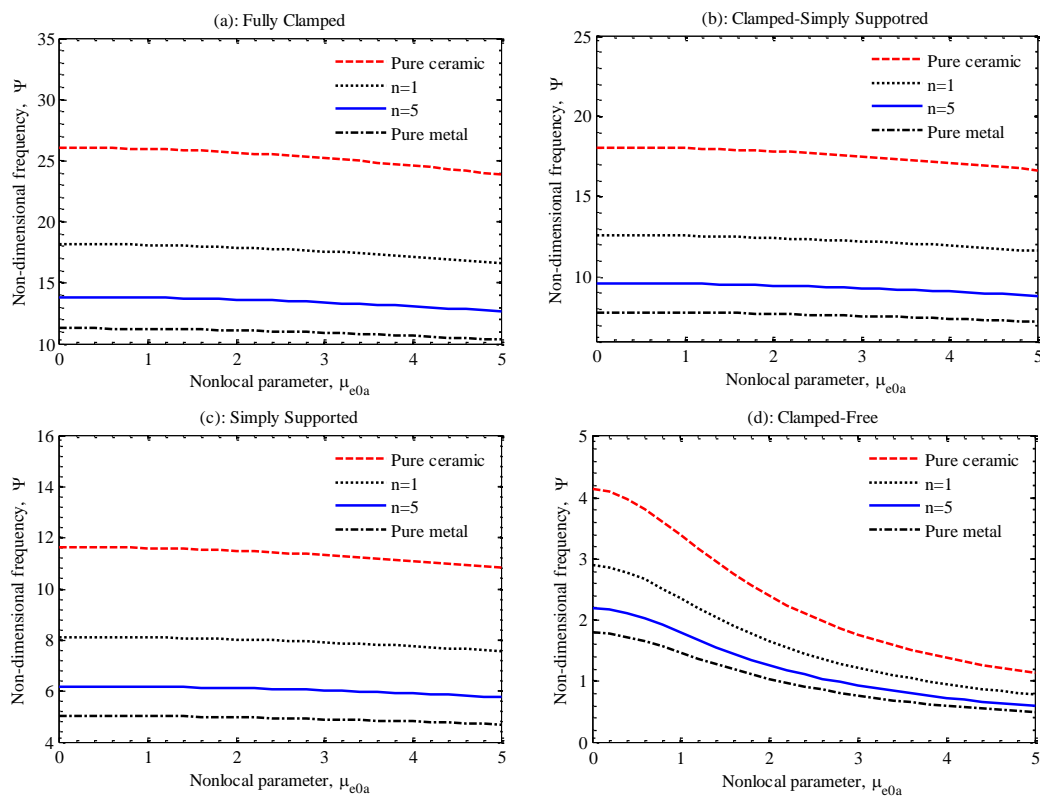


Fig. 2 The variation of the first-order frequency against nonlocal parameter μ_{e0a} for the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nano-scaled tubes with different boundary conditions and power law index ($R_o = 10 R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\beta = 0$, $\mu_l = 0$)

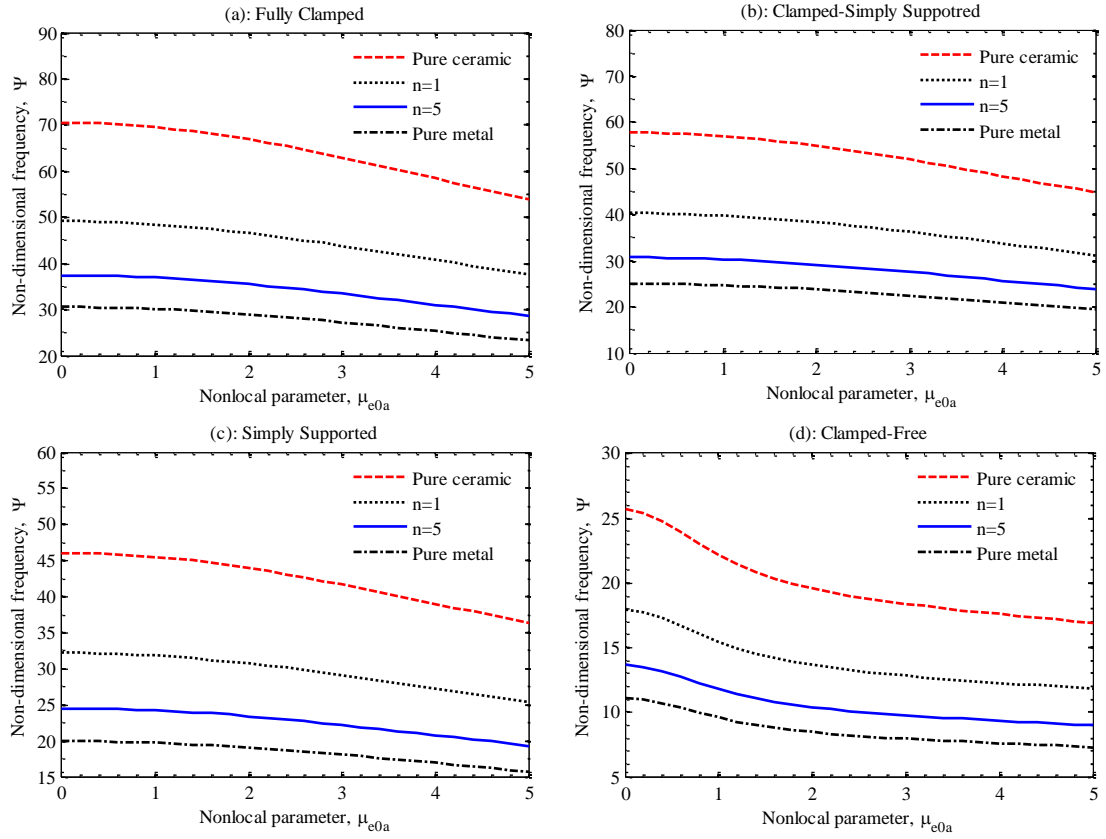


Fig. 3 The variation of the second-order frequency against nonlocal parameter μ_{e0a} for the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nano-scaled tubes with different boundary conditions and power law index ($R_o = 10 R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\beta = 0, \mu_l = 0$)

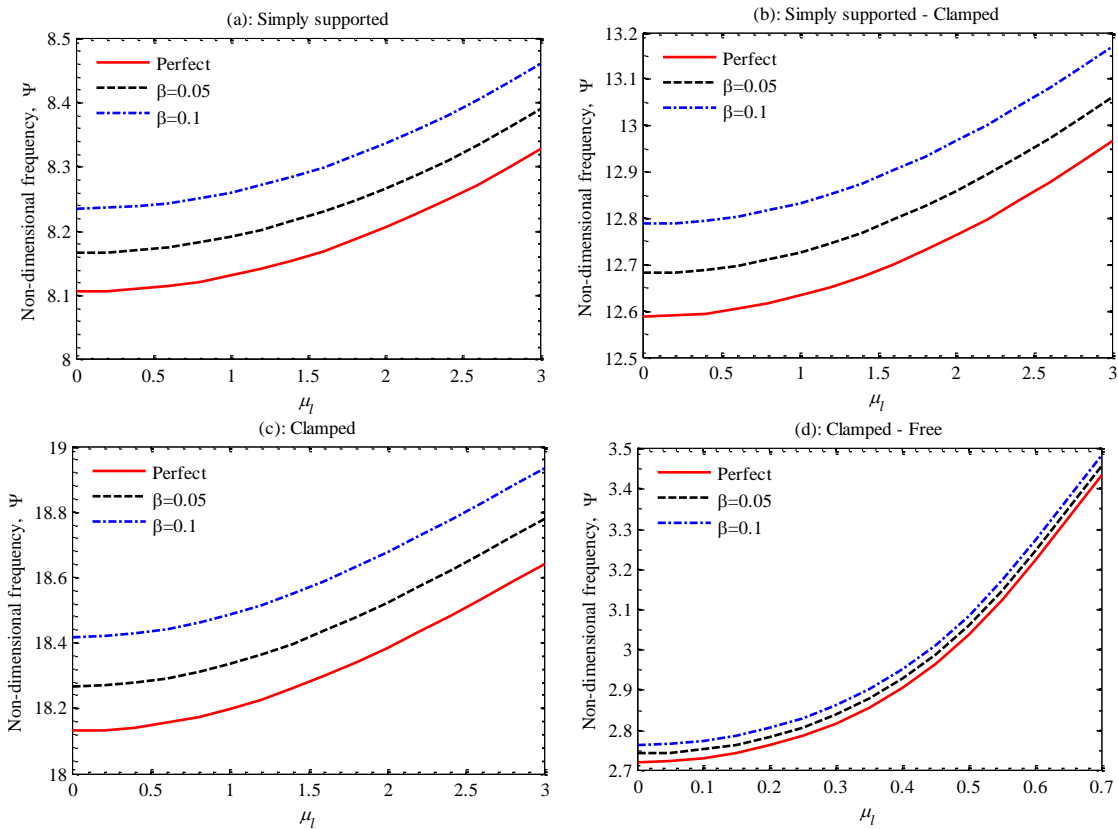


Fig. 4 The variation of the first-order frequency against the porosity volume fraction β for the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nanotubes with different boundary conditions and strain gradient parameter μ_l ($n = 1, R_o = 10 R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_{ea} = 0.5$)

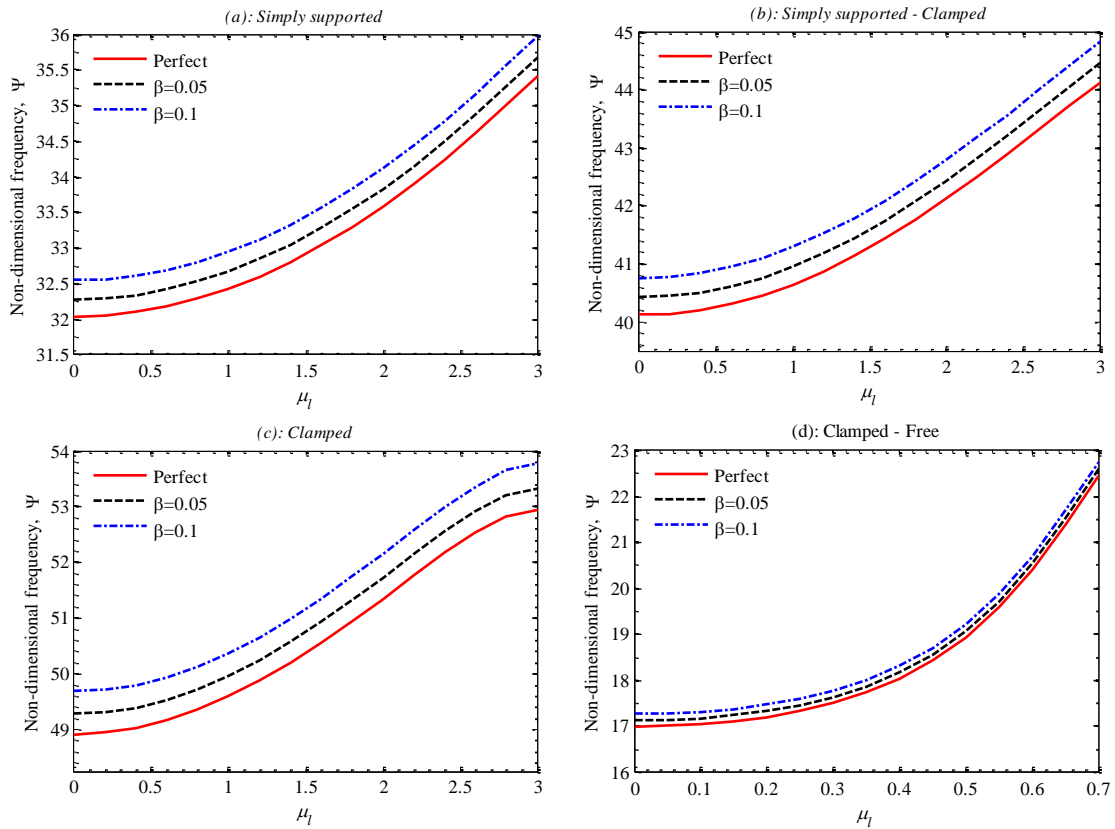


Fig. 5 The variation of the second-order frequency against the porosity volume fraction β for the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nanotubes with different boundary conditions and strain gradient parameter μ_l ($n = 1, R_o = 10 R_i = L/40 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_{e0a} = 0.5$)

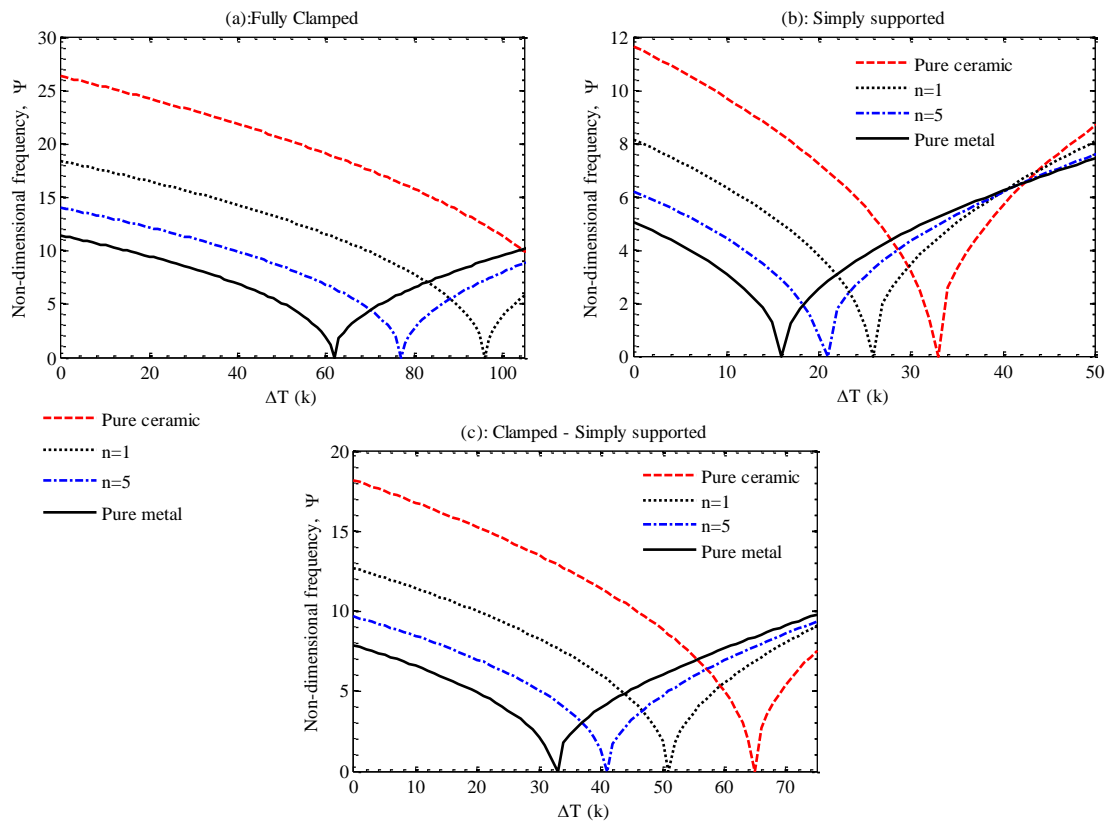


Fig. 6 The variation of the fundamental frequency nanotubes versus temperature change in various FG power index parameter, $R_o = 10 R_i = L/100 = 1$ (nm), $\mu_{e0a} = \mu_l = 2$

Table 6 Effect on temperature on the first two frequency (Ψ^2) for the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Nickel}$ nanotubes with clamped-clamped ends ($\beta = 0.05$, $n = 1$, $R_o = 1\text{nm}$, $L = 10R_o$)

	T(K)	Fundamental frequency			Second frequency		
		$R_o = 2R_i$	$R_o = 4R_i$	$R_o = 8R_i$	$R_o = 2R_i$	$R_o = 4R_i$	$R_o = 8R_i$
$\mu_{e0a} = 0.5$ $\mu_i = 0$	$\Delta T = 0$	212.1573	212.913	220.2716	990.0569	1055.203	212.1573
	$\Delta T = 10$	211.5323	212.2665	219.5959	987.4294	1052.369	211.5323
	$\Delta T = 20$	210.901	211.6152	218.9169	984.7709	1049.511	210.901
	$\Delta T = 40$	209.6194	210.2987	217.5478	979.3639	1043.72	209.6194
	$\Delta T = 80$	206.9789	207.6098	214.7646	968.1799	1031.835	206.9789
$\mu_{e0a} = 0$ $\mu_i = 0.5$	$\Delta T = 0$	224.9979	224.0311	231.3055	1217.005	1265.577	224.9979
	$\Delta T = 10$	224.3776	223.3907	230.6365	1214.079	1262.456	224.3776
	$\Delta T = 20$	223.751	222.7458	229.9639	1211.117	1259.308	223.751
	$\Delta T = 40$	222.4787	221.443	228.6084	1205.086	1252.928	222.4787
	$\Delta T = 80$	219.8562	218.7817	225.8543	1192.584	1239.828	219.8562
$\mu_{e0a} = 0.5$ $\mu_i = 0.5$	$\Delta T = 0$	219.1371	218.3328	225.4682	1109.284	1154.243	219.1371
	$\Delta T = 10$	218.5146	217.6888	224.7951	1106.505	1151.276	218.5146
	$\Delta T = 20$	217.8856	217.0404	224.1189	1103.693	1148.283	217.8856
	$\Delta T = 40$	216.6089	215.73	222.7553	1097.965	1142.219	216.6089
	$\Delta T = 80$	213.9769	213.0531	219.9841	1086.099	1129.767	213.9769

be seen, for any supported ends, the frequency decreases with the increase in nonlocal parameter μ_{e0a} and the power law index “n”, that is due to the fact that, as power law index “n” or nonlocal parameter μ_{e0a} rise, the stiffness of the tubes decreases, correspondingly, the vibration frequency decreases. So, it is obvious that the nonlocal cantilever nano-scaled tube can capture the stiffness softening characteristics by nonlocal boundary conditions. Many researchers present this fact, the frequency of the cantilever tube or beam (clamped-free boundary condition) increases with nonlocal parameter (Aranda-Ruiz *et al.* 2012), it can be true for when the free boundary condition was as local (it means this boundary was independent to time and nonlocal parameter), but, by using the nonlocal boundary conditions in free edge, it can see the frequency of cantilever decreases with the nonlocal parameter.

The influence of temperature on the vibration frequency is given in Table 6, and as can be seen from the table, the rise in temperature and aspect ratio in radial direction causes a decrease and increase in frequency, respectively. Because of this fact, increases in the stiffness cause the frequency rise, and it’s clearly shown the stiffness of the tube increases with aspect ratio in the radial direction (R_o/R_i) and decreases with ΔT . Moreover, the decrease in frequency because of the size effect is more in the nonlocal parameter, in fact, the decrease of frequency because of the gradient strain parameter is smaller than the nonlocal one.

Fig. 6 shows the first frequency of FG nanotubes with fully clamped, simply supported and clamped-simply supported boundary conditions for various temperature change (ΔT) and FG power index (n). It can be seen from Fig. 6 that the effect of temperature variations on natural frequencies of the tubes is not a monotonic function, and the temperature-frequency curves of Fig. 6 indicate that, the frequency lowers within a particular range as the

temperature rises, until it touches zero, and then rises again if the temperature is high enough. The frequency before thermal buckling reduces when the FG power index (n) is increased. Temperature change, on the other hand, reduces frequency before buckling, then raises frequency as ΔT rises. The emergence of temperature buckling is also postponed by reductions in FG power index owing to increased stiffness of nanotubes.

6. Conclusions

The free vibration of FG nano-scaled tubes is investigated in this study. The governing equations are constructed and solved using the extended differential quadrature technique, using nonlocal strain gradient theory to capture the small size effects. The numerical examples demonstrate how varied boundary conditions, a tiny size parameter, temperature fluctuations, porosity volume fractions, and the power-law index affect the natural frequencies of porous tubes. The frequency of the porous tubes reduces as the temperature, porosity volume fraction, and power-law index increase. The current research also reveals that the stiffness softening properties of tubes with clamped-free ends may be captured by their fundamental frequency. Briefly,

- As stiffness increases, the frequency rises.
- Because stiffness decreases, the nonlocal and gradient strain parameters reduce frequency.
- The contribution of the nonlocal parameter is more significant than that of the gradient strain parameter, indicating that the nonlocal parameter reduces stiffness more than the gradient strain.
- In the radius direction, the aspect ratio improves stiffness.

- The frequency is increased by increasing the porosity parameter.
- When the nonlocal parameter is used with the local parameter of the boundary condition, the frequency increases.
 - With the nonlocal parameter, the nonlocal boundary condition for the free end tube causes the frequency to drop.
 - Using the nonlocal parameter, the frequency of wholly clamped, simply supported, and clamped-simply supported boundary conditions is reduced.
 - For all boundary conditions, the frequency rises when the gradient strain parameter increases.

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