

# Study on the characteristics of wave propagation in functionally graded porous square plates

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**Abstract.** Considering the modified power function form of material parameters, the wave equation of porous functionally graded material plate was established according to Hamilton principle based on the concept of physical medium surface and Reddy high-order shear deformed plate theory. The dispersion relations of five different elastic waves were obtained by using eigenvalue method. Then, the effects of functional gradient index and porosity on the propagation characteristics of five kinds of elastic waves are discussed. Finally, it is found that the pore volume fraction can simultaneously characterize the stiffness strengthening effect and stiffness softening effect, which depends on the power law index.

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## 1. Introduction

The wave propagation analysis of structures has attracted the interest of many researchers. This is because the wave problem can effectively detect structural damage. For structures, there are often various forms of waves, for example, for Euler beams, there are only longitudinal and bending waves. For Timoshenko beams, there are three different types of waves, including longitudinal waves, shear waves and bending waves. Similarly, for high-order shear deformed beams, like Timoshenko beams, there are three kinds of elastic waves, including longitudinal wave, shear wave and bending wave. Similarly, for a classical plate, similar to an Euler beam, there are only longitudinal waves (U and V) and curved waves (W). Obviously, the difference between a plate and a beam is that the longitudinal waves in a plate contain two kinds, U and V, where U and V represent the longitudinal waves propagating along the X and Y directions respectively. It can be seen that the characteristics of wave propagation in the classical plate are different from those in the classical beam. That is to say, there are three kinds of waves in the classical plate, including two longitudinal waves and a curved wave. For the first order shear deformed plate, there are five different types of waves, of which two are longitudinal waves, the other two are shear waves, and the last one is bending waves. For Reddy's high-order shear deformed plate theory, it is obvious that, just like the first-order shear deformed plate theory, there are two longitudinal waves, two shear waves and one bending wave. Because the high-order shear deformed plate contains five

independent displacement variables, the research literature on wave propagation is less than that of the beam structure and the classical deformed plate. Therefore, it is necessary to study the five waves with different properties in the high-order shear deformed plate.

For instances, Liang and Wang (2020) studied the bending wave of porous FG sandwich plates via a new plate theory, however, they only studied the bending wave, the propagation characteristics of compressional and shear waves were ignored by them. Ebrahimi and Seyfi (2020) studied the bending wave of porous FG plates in thermal environment via the analytical method, however, like Liang and Wang (2020), they only studied the bending wave, the propagation characteristics of compressional and shear waves were ignored by them. Bennai *et al.* (2019) used a four variable plate theory to investigate the bending wave of FG plates with porosities, also, they ignore the longitudinal and shear waves in their paper. Yahia *et al.* (2015) used various plate theories to analyze the bending wave of the porous FG plates. Nebab *et al.* (2019) used higher order shear deformation plate theory to discuss the bending wave of FG plates laid on elastic foundations. Gao *et al.* (2020) studied the bending wave propagation in functionally graded porous plates reinforced with graphene platelets, obviously, again, they didn't study P-waves and shear waves.

During the manufacturing process of functionally graded (FG) materials, pores will be produced. Many scholars have studied the effect of porosities on the functional graded structures. Alnujaie *et al.* (2021) studied the effect of porosity on the forced vibration of FG beams. Khazaei and Mohammadimehr (2020) used the nonlocal strain gradient theory to study the bending and buckling of porous plates considering piezoelectric effects. Mirjavadi *et al.* (2020) used the Airy stress function method to analyze the porosity on the post-buckling behavior of the doubly

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curved shells. Sadoughifar *et al.* (2020) adopted the modified couple stresses theory to discuss the buckling behavior of porous annular plates resting on elastic foundations. Mekerbi *et al.* (2019) discussed the thermal buckling of porous FG plates laid on the resting on elastic foundations. Rabia *et al.* (2019) investigated the effect of porosity on FGM beams reinforced with porous functionally graded materials. More works can be found in these relevant papers, for examples, Hadj *et al.* (2019), Ebrahim *et al.* (2019), Arefi and Meskini (2019), Hamed *et al.* (2019), Arshid *et al.* (2019), Benahmed *et al.* (2019), Hadji *et al.* (2019), Fenjan *et al.* (2020), Bamdad *et al.* (2020), Ghandourh and Abdraboh (2020), Jia *et al.* (2020), Batou *et al.* (2019), Civalek *et al.* (2020), Sadoughifar *et al.* (2019), Xu *et al.* (2019), Rahmani *et al.* (2019), Ahmadi and Foroutan (2019), Avcar *et al.* (2019), Jalaei and Civalek (2019), Barretta and de Sciarra, (2019), Faghidian *et al.*(2020), 2021, Ahmed *et al.* (2019), Ghayesh and Farokhi (2020), Farokhi and Ghayesh (2021), Arefi and Zenkour(2017), Arefi *et al.* (2020), Arefi *et al.* (2019), Arefi *et al.* (2016), Lu *et al.* (2019), Lu *et al.* (2021a), Lu *et al.* (2021b),Malikan *et al.* (2020a), Malikan *et al.* (2020b), Zhang *et al.* (2021).

Through literature search, we found that there are some literatures on the characteristics of wave propagation in porous FG plates, but these literatures all have this defect, that is, they only study the bending wave, and lack the research on other types of wave propagation. In order to solve this problem, this paper studies the propagation characteristics of five different types of waves in the porous FG plates for the first time. To this end, we were based on higher order beam theory and used eigenvalue method to analyze five kinds of waves in the porous FG plates.

## 2. Mechanical model

Consider a functionally graded plate, the top and bottom materials are ceramic and metal respectively, and the thickness of the plate is  $h$ , as shown in Fig. 1. We assume the elastic modulus  $E$ , Poisson ratio  $\nu$ , and the mass density  $\rho$  have the form as(Liang and Wang 2020, Ebrahimi and Seyfi 2020, Bennai *et al.* 2019, Yahia *et al.* 2015, Nebab *et al.* 2019)

$$\begin{aligned} E(z) &= [E_t - E_b] \left(\frac{2z+h}{2h}\right)^N + E_b - \frac{\beta}{2} [E_t + E_b] \\ \nu &= [\nu_t - \nu_b] \left(\frac{2z+h}{2h}\right)^N + \nu_b - \frac{\beta}{2} [\nu_t + \nu_b] \\ \rho &= [\rho_t - \rho_b] \left(\frac{2z+h}{2h}\right)^N + \rho_b - \frac{\beta}{2} [\rho_t + \rho_b] \end{aligned} \quad (1a)$$

And in this paper,

$$\begin{aligned} E_t &= 207.79\text{GPa}, E_b = 322.27\text{GPa}; \\ \rho_t &= 8166\text{Kg/m}^3, \rho_b = 2307\text{Kg/m}^3; \\ \nu_t &= \nu_b = 0.3 \end{aligned} \quad (1b)$$

In addition, because the neutral axis and centroid axis of functionally graded materials are not in the same position, the tension-bending coupling effect of functionally graded beams or functionally graded plates will occur. But the physical neutral surface bring structural mechanics analysis

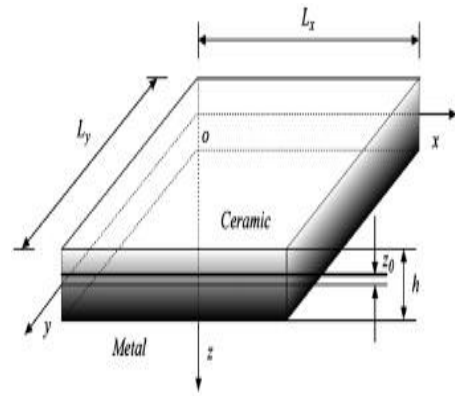


Fig. 1 Coordinate system of functionally graded plate based on physical neutral surface concept (Zhang *et al.* 2013)

of a lot of convenience, because of the stretch bending coupling effect, so based on the analysis of structural vibration, buckling and wave propagation problems, makes the derivation of the equations become very complicated, but once the concept introduced in the physical plane, all the problem solved, at this point, will make the stretch bending coupling effect will disappear, This will make the functionally graded beam or functionally graded plate exhibit the same mathematical and mechanical characteristics as the single material. In many literatures, the concept of physical middle plane is used to study the mechanical properties of functionally graded beam and plate structures.

Based on the concept of physical neutral surface and the theory of Reddy' high-order shear deformation plate, the displacement components are assumed to be (Zhang 2013, 2014)

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, y, z, t) &= u_0(x, y, t) + (z - z_0) \varphi_x(x, y, t) \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3h^2} (z - c_0)^3 \left( \varphi_x + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x} \right) \\ v(x, y, z, t) &= v_0(x, y, t) + (z - z_0) \varphi_y(x, y, t) \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3h^2} (z - c_0)^3 \left( \varphi_y + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y} \right) \\ w(x, y, z, t) &= w_0(x, y, t) \end{aligned} \quad (2a)$$

Here,  $u_0$ ,  $v_0$  and  $w_0$  are the displacement along the  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  directions,  $\varphi_x$  and  $\varphi_y$  are the rotation along the  $x$  and  $y$  direction,  $t$  stands for the time, and (Zhang 2013, 2014)

$$[z_0, c_0] = \frac{\int_{-h/2}^{h/2} [z, z^3] E(z) dz}{\int_{-h/2}^{h/2} E(z) dz} \quad (2b)$$

The linear strain component is

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \varepsilon_{xy} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial x} \end{Bmatrix} + (z - z_0) \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial x} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$-\frac{4}{3h^2}(z-c_0)^3 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial y^2} \\ \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial x \partial y} \end{array} \right\}, \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xz} \\ \varepsilon_{yz} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \varphi_x + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x} \\ \varphi_y + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y} \end{Bmatrix} - \frac{4}{h^2}(z-c_0)^2 \begin{Bmatrix} \varphi_x + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x} \\ \varphi_y + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y} \end{Bmatrix}$$

The stress-strain relationship can be expressed in the form of matrix, as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{yz} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{E(z)}{1-\nu^2} & \frac{\nu(z)E(z)}{1-\nu^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\nu(z)E(z)}{1-\nu^2} & \frac{E(z)}{1-\nu^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{E(z)}{2(1+\nu)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E(z)}{2(1+\nu)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E(z)}{2(1+\nu)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \\ \varepsilon_{xy} \\ \varepsilon_{xz} \\ \varepsilon_{yz} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

Considering the physical mid-plane concept, the coupling effects of tension and bending disappears, and Using Hamilton principle, the wave equation can be deduced as,

$$A_{11} \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial x^2} + A_{12} \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial x \partial y} + A_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial x \partial y} \right) = I_0 \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial t^2} + J_1 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4I_3}{3h^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x} \right), \quad (5)$$

$$A_{12} \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial x \partial y} + A_{22} \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial y^2} + A_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial x^2} \right) = I_0 \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial t^2} + J_1 \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial t^2} - \frac{4I_3}{3h^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y} \right), \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (A_{44} - \frac{8}{h^2} D_{44} + \frac{16}{h^4} F_{44}) \left( \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial x^2} \right) + (A_{55} - \frac{8}{h^2} D_{55} + \frac{16}{h^4} F_{55}) \left( \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial y^2} \right) + \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{11} \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x^3} \\ & + \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2 \partial y} - \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{11} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x^3} + \frac{\partial^4 w_0}{\partial x^4} \right) - \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2 \partial y} + \frac{\partial^4 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} \right) + \frac{8}{3h^2} F_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right. \\ & + \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right) - \frac{32}{9h^4} H_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2 \partial y} + 2 \frac{\partial^4 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} \right) \\ & + \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y^2} + \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{22} \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial y^3} - \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} \right) - \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{22} \left( \frac{\partial^3 \varphi_y}{\partial y^3} \right. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial^4 w_0}{\partial y^4} = I_0 \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial t^2} - \frac{16}{9h^4} I_6 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w_0}{\partial y^2} \right) + \frac{4}{3h^2} [I_3 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial y} \right) + J_4 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \left( \frac{\partial \varphi_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \varphi_y}{\partial y} \right)] \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{11} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x^2} + D_{12} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{11} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^3} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right) + D_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \\ & - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} + 2 \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{11} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x^2} - (A_{44} + \frac{8}{h^2} D_{44} - \frac{16}{h^4} F_{44}) \\ & \times \left( \varphi_x + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{11} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^3} \right) + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} \right) \\ & + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x \partial y} + 2 \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x \partial y^2} \right) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (J_1 u_0 + K_2 \varphi_x - \frac{4}{3h^2} J_4 \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial x}) \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & D_{12} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + D_{22} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial y^2} - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{22} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial y^3} \right) + D_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2} \right) \\ & - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{22} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial y^2} - (A_{55} - \frac{8}{h^2} D_{55} + \frac{16}{h^4} F_{55}) \\ & \times \left( \varphi_y + \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y} \right) - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{12} \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{12} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right) + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{22} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial y^3} \right) \\ & - \frac{4}{3h^2} F_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2} \right) + \frac{16}{9h^4} H_{66} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_x}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi_y}{\partial x^2} + 2 \frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^2 \partial y} \right) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} (J_1 v_0 + K_2 \varphi_y - \frac{4}{3h^2} J_4 \frac{\partial w_0}{\partial y}) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Herein

$$\begin{Bmatrix} A_{44} \\ D_{44} \\ F_{44} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} A_{55} \\ D_{55} \\ F_{55} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} A_{66} \\ D_{66} \\ F_{66} \end{Bmatrix} = \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{E(z)}{2(1+\nu)} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ (z-z_0)^2 \\ (z-z_0)^4 \end{Bmatrix} dz$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} A_{11} \\ D_{11} \\ F_{11} \\ H_{11} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} A_{22} \\ D_{22} \\ F_{22} \\ H_{22} \end{Bmatrix} = \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{E(z)}{1-\nu^2} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ (z-z_0)^2 \\ (z-z_0)^4 \\ (z-z_0)^6 \end{Bmatrix} dz \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} A_{12} \\ D_{12} \\ F_{12} \\ H_{12} \end{bmatrix} &= \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \frac{\nu(z)E(z)}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (z-z_0)^2 \\ (z-z_0)^4 \\ (z-z_0)^6 \end{bmatrix} dz \\ \begin{bmatrix} I_0 \\ I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ I_4 \\ I_6 \end{bmatrix} &= \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} \rho(z) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ (z-z_0) \\ (z-z_0)^2 \\ (z^3-c_0) \\ (z-z_0)(z^3-c_0) \\ (z^3-c_0)^2 \end{bmatrix} dz \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

**3. The solution of wave equations**

It is assumed that the displacement shape function have the form (Sun and Luo 2011)

$$\begin{aligned} [u_0, v_0, w_0, \varphi_x, \varphi_y] &= [u^*, v^*, w^*, \varphi_x^*, \varphi_y^*] \\ &\times \exp[i(\kappa_1 x + \kappa_2 y - \omega t)] \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Here,  $u^*$ ,  $v^*$ ,  $w^*$ ,  $\varphi_x^*$  and  $\varphi_y^*$  are the wave amplitudes,  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$  are the wave numbers along the  $x$  and  $y$  directions, substitution of Eq. (12) into Eqs. (6)-(10) leads to a matrix form, as

$$\begin{aligned} &\begin{pmatrix} A_{11}\kappa_1^2 + A_{66}\kappa_2^2 & (A_{12} + A_{66})\kappa_1\kappa_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ (A_{12} + A_{66})\kappa_1\kappa_2 & A_{22}\kappa_2^2 + A_{66}\kappa_1^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_{33} & k_{34} & k_{35} \\ 0 & 0 & k_{43} & k_{44} & k_{45} \\ 0 & 0 & k_{53} & k_{54} & k_{55} \end{pmatrix} \times [u^*, v^*, w^*, \varphi_x^*, \varphi_y^*]^T \\ &- \omega^2 \begin{pmatrix} I_0 & 0 & -\left(\frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_3\kappa_1\right) & J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_0 & -\left(\frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_3\kappa_2\right) & 0 & J_1 \\ \frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_3\kappa_1 & \frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_3\kappa_2 & I_0 + \frac{16}{9h^4}I_6\kappa_1^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}I_6\kappa_2^2 & \frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_4\kappa_1 & \frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_4\kappa_2 \\ J_1 & 0 & -\frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_4\kappa_1 & K_2 & 0 \\ 0 & J_1 & -\frac{4}{3h^2}iJ_4\kappa_2 & 0 & K_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned} k_{33} &= A_{44}\kappa_1^2 - \frac{8}{h^2}D_{44}\kappa_1^2 + \frac{16}{h^4}F_{44}\kappa_1^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{11}\kappa_1^4 \\ &+ A_{55}\kappa_2^2 - \frac{8}{h^2}D_{55}\kappa_2^2 + \frac{16}{h^4}F_{55}\kappa_2^2 + \frac{32}{9h^4}H_{12}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2^2 \\ &+ \frac{64}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{22}\kappa_2^4 \\ k_{34} &= \frac{8}{h^2}iD_{44}\kappa_1 - iA_{44}\kappa_1 - \frac{16}{h^4}iF_{44}\kappa_1 + \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{11}\kappa_1^3 \\ &- \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{11}\kappa_1^3 + \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 + \frac{8}{3h^2}iF_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 \\ &- \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 - \frac{32}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 \\ k_{35} &= \frac{8}{h^2}iD_{55}\kappa_2 - iA_{55}\kappa_2 - \frac{16}{h^4}iF_{55}\kappa_2 \\ &+ \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{12}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 + \frac{8}{3h^2}iF_{66}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{12}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 \\ &- \frac{32}{9h^4}iH_{66}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 + \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{22}\kappa_2^3 - \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{22}\kappa_2^3 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

$$\begin{aligned} k_{43} &= iA_{44}\kappa_1 - \frac{8}{h^2}iD_{44}\kappa_1 + \frac{16}{h^4}iF_{44}\kappa_1 - \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{11}\kappa_1^3 \\ &- \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 - \frac{8}{3h^2}iF_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 \\ &+ \frac{32}{9h^4}iH_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{11}\kappa_1^3 \\ k_{44} &= A_{44} - \frac{8}{h^2}D_{44} + \frac{16}{h^4}F_{44} + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_2^2 \\ &- \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{11}\kappa_1^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{11}\kappa_1^2 + D_{66}\kappa_2^2 \\ &- \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{66}\kappa_2^2 + D_{11}\kappa_1^2 \\ k_{45} &= D_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 - \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + D_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 \\ &- \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 \\ k_{53} &= iA_{55}\kappa_2 - \frac{8}{h^2}iD_{55}\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{h^4}iF_{55}\kappa_2 \\ &- \frac{4}{3h^2}iC_1F_{12}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - \frac{8}{3h^2}iF_{66}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{12}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 \\ &+ \frac{32}{9h^4}iH_{66}\kappa_1^2\kappa_2 - \frac{4}{3h^2}iF_{22}\kappa_2^3 + \frac{16}{9h^4}iH_{22}\kappa_2^3 \\ k_{54} &= D_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 - \frac{8}{h^2}F_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + D_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 \\ &- \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{12}\kappa_1\kappa_2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_1\kappa_2 \\ k_{55} &= A_{55} - \frac{8}{h^2}D_{55} + \frac{16}{h^4}F_{55} + D_{22}\kappa_2^2 - \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{11}\kappa_2^2 \\ &+ \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{22}\kappa_2^2 + D_{66}\kappa_1^2 - \frac{8}{3h^2}F_{66}\kappa_1^2 + \frac{16}{9h^4}H_{66}\kappa_1^2 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

If we want Eq. (13) to have a nonzero solution, then the value of the coefficient determinants of Eq. (13) must be 0, from which, we can find five roots of circular frequency, two of which are for longitudinal wave, the other two for shear wave and one for bending wave. The expressions of phase velocity and group velocity can be obtained by the following expressions,

$$C_i = \frac{\omega_i(\kappa)}{\kappa}, \quad C_{g_i} = \frac{d\omega_i(\kappa)}{d\kappa} \quad (i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) \tag{15}$$

**4. Examples**

Since there are five different forms of elastic waves in this FGM plate, we need to analyze five different cases. Before carrying out the numerical analysis, we first verify the correctness of this study. When the pore volume fraction is 0, the curves of the degenerated circular frequency, phase velocity and group velocity are compared with the results of the existing literature. See Fig. 2 for details. Through comparison, the correctness of this paper is verified. In addition, we also find in Fig. 2 that the phase velocity and group velocity decrease with the increase of functionally graded index.

In addition, in Fig. 3 to Fig. 5, we study the influence of pore volume fraction on phase velocity, group velocity and circular frequency. During the calculation, we take  $N = 0.5$  and  $N = 2$ . We find that when  $N = 0.5$ , the increase of pore

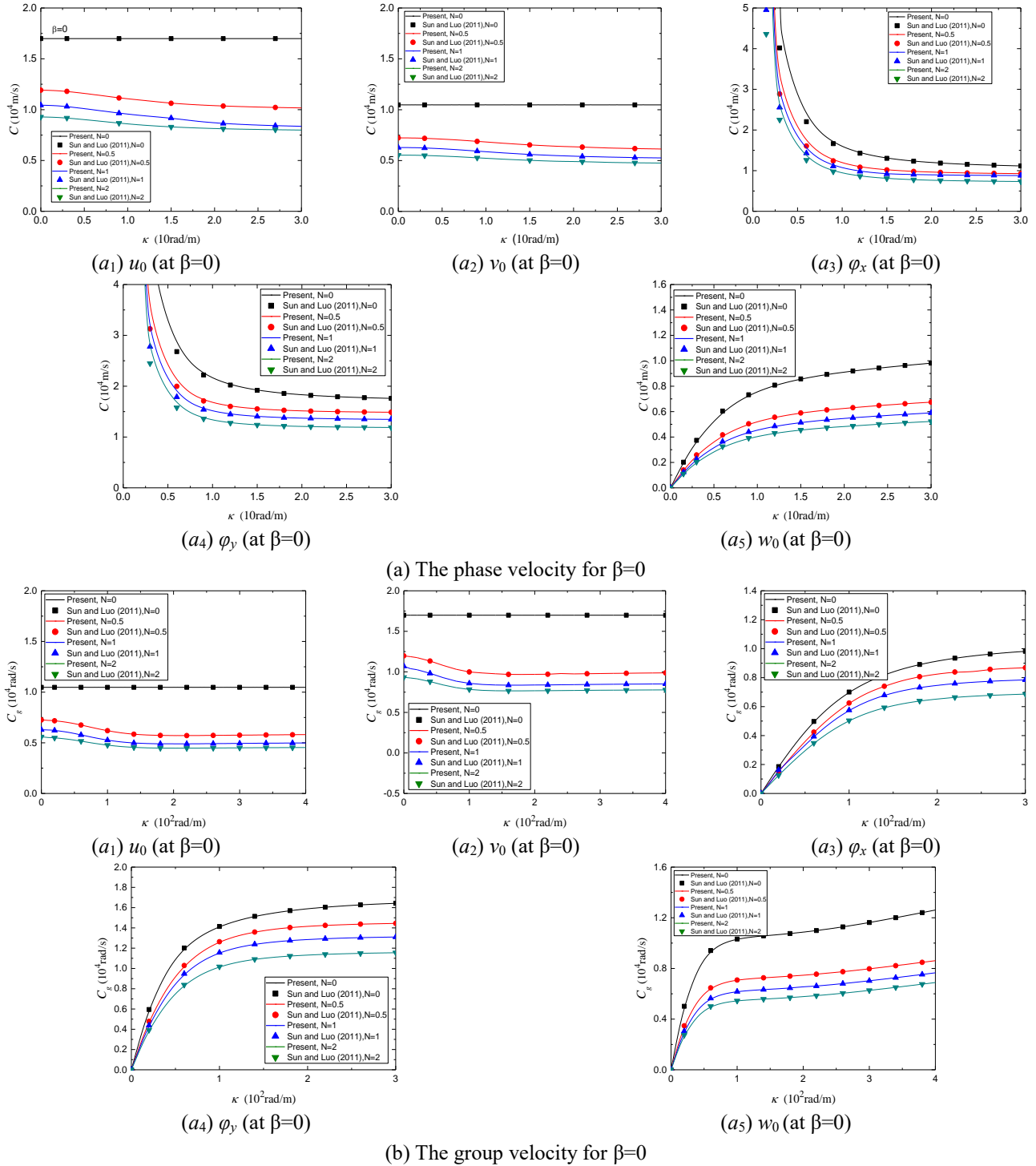


Fig. 2 Comparison with the existing results (Sun and Luo 2011), (a) The phase velocity for  $\beta=0$  and (b) The group velocity for  $\beta=0$

volume fraction will lead to the increase of phase velocity, group velocity and circular frequency. However, when  $N = 2$ , we find that the effect of pore volume fraction on phase velocity is different. In other words, the phase velocity, group velocity, and circular frequency decrease with the increase of pore volume fraction.

In addition, we also find that the shapes of shear wave and are almost the same, while the shapes of P-wave and are almost the same.

## 5. Conclusions

The wave propagations of the porous FG plates based on Reddy's higher order shear deformation and physical neutral surface concept have been studied in this paper. The wave propagation analyses are solved using trial function. The correctness of this paper has been verified by comparing with the existing results. The numerical analyses shows that:

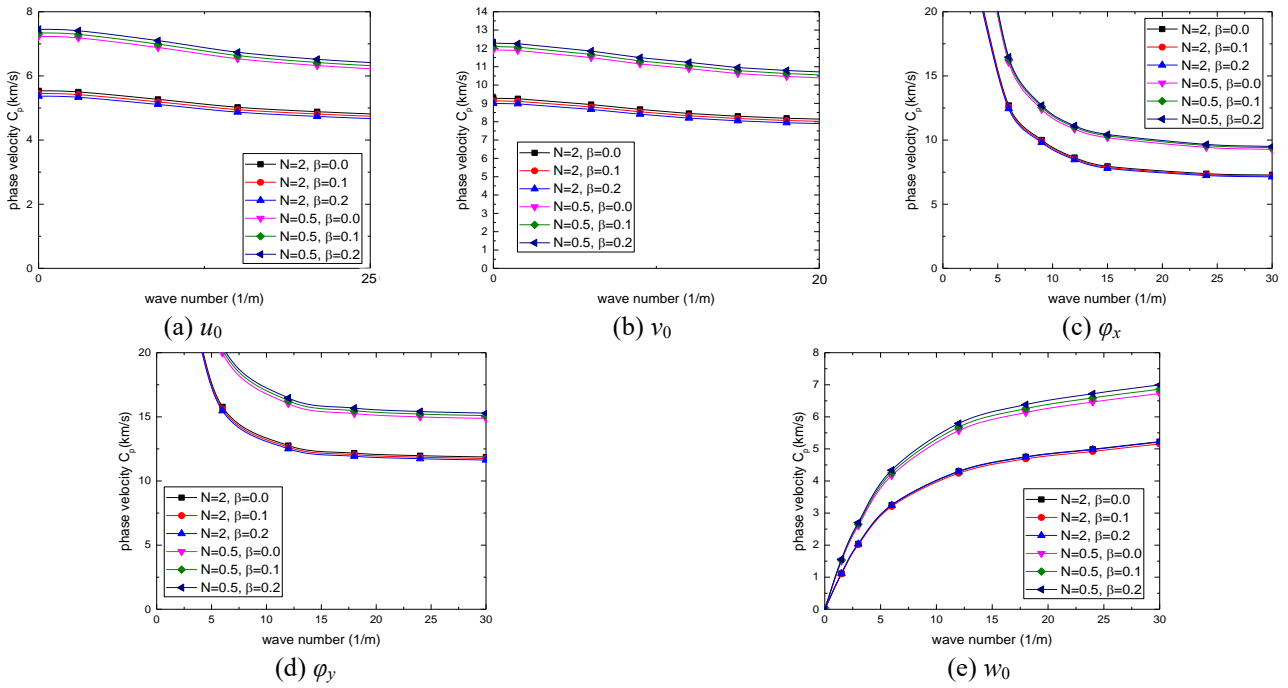


Fig.3 Effect of the porosity on the phase velocity

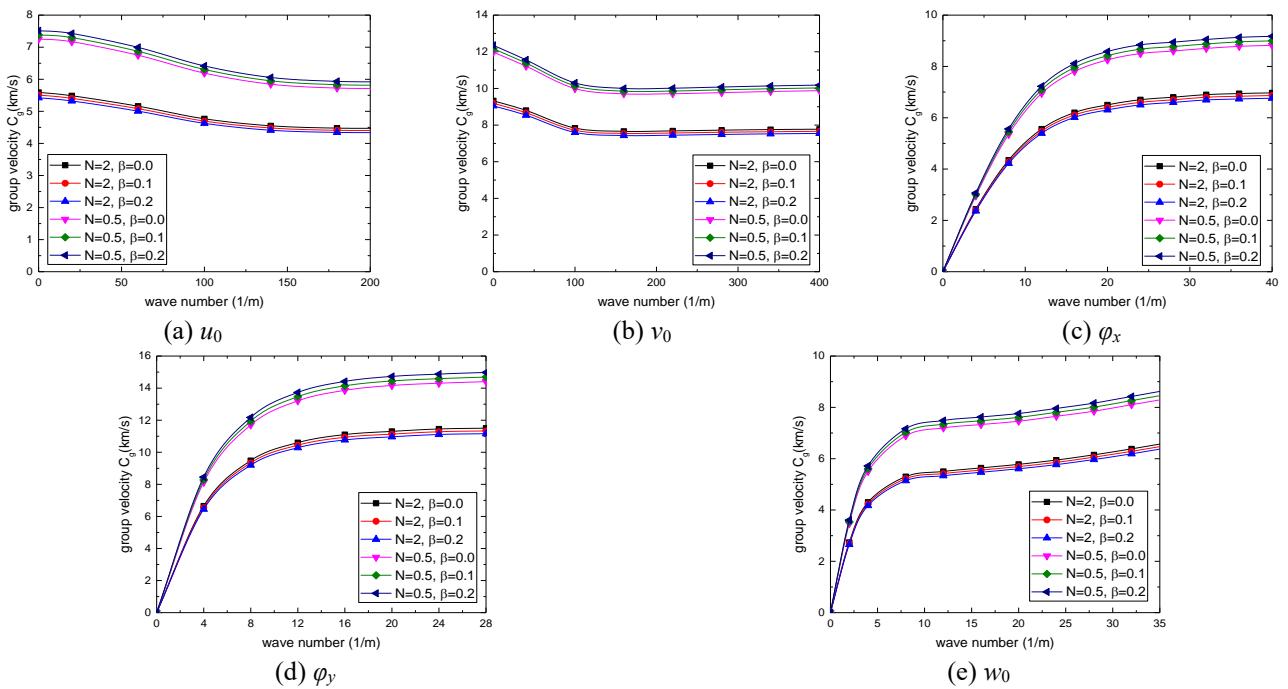


Fig. 4 Effect of the porosity on the group velocity

• When  $N = 0.5$ , the increase of pore volume fraction will lead to the increase of phase velocity, group velocity and circular frequency. However, when  $N = 2$ , we find that pore volume fraction has inhibitory effect on phase velocity, group velocity and circular frequency. That is to say, when pore volume fraction increases, phase velocity, group velocity and circular frequency will decrease. This shows that porosity is a very complex factor in the analysis of wave propagation.

- In the process of increasing the functional gradient index, the circular frequency, phase velocity and group velocity will decrease
- The shapes of shear wave and are almost the same, while the shapes of P-wave and are almost the same.

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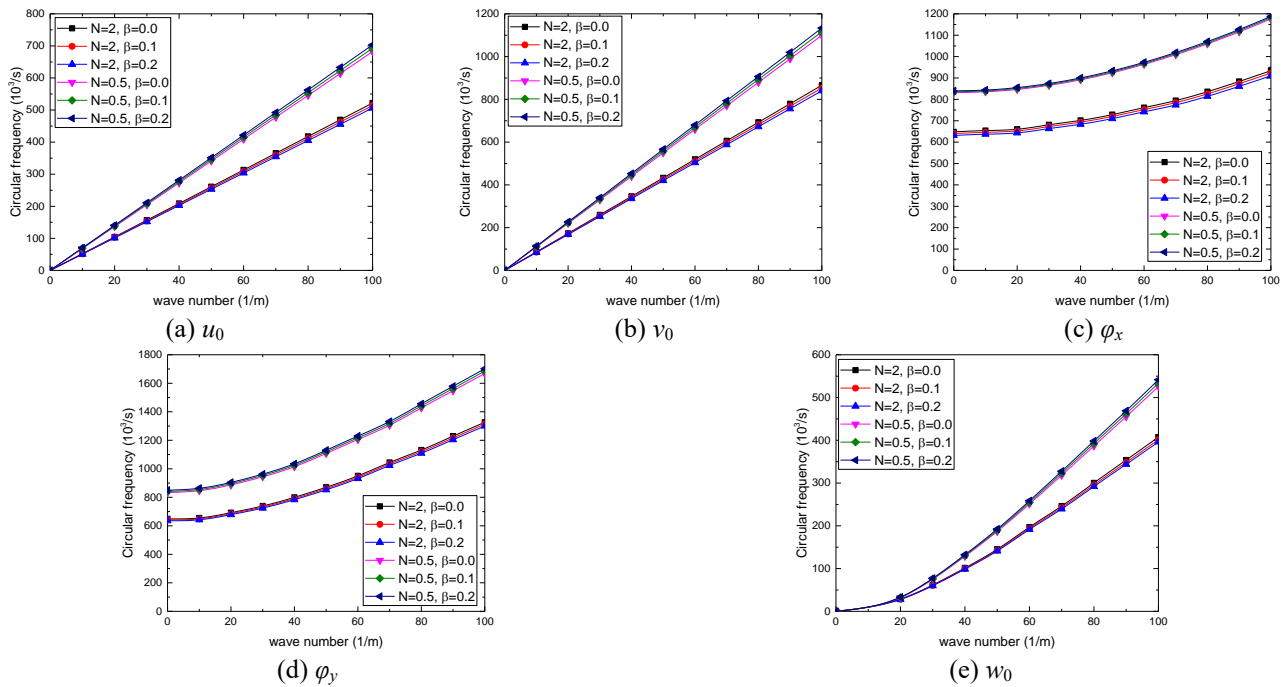


Fig. 5 Effect of the porosity on the circular frequency

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