

Free Vibration of Pre-Tensioned Electromagnetic Nanobeams

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Abstract: *The transverse free vibration of electromagnetic nanobeams subjected to an initial axial tension based on nonlocal stress theory is presented. It considers the effects of nonlocal stress field on the natural frequencies and vibration modes. The effects of a small-scale parameter at molecular level unavailable in classical macro-beams are investigated for three different types of boundary conditions: simple supports, clamped supports and elastically constrained supports. Analytical solutions for transverse deformation and vibration modes are derived. Through numerical examples, effects of the dimensionless Hartmann number, nano-scale parameter and pre-tension on natural frequencies are presented and discussed.*

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I. Introduction

Recently, research on dynamic behavior of nano-structures has become a hot field because of the application prospects of nano-electromechanical systems (NEMSs) or nano-machine components. Although nano-structures, such as nanobeams and nano belts, have been proposed to have practical applications, analysis in this field has been lacking in particular the dynamics of pre-tensioned nano structures. The relevant researches on transverse vibrations of axially moving macro-beams can be dated back to Mote (1965) constructed mathematical model of axially moving beams firstly based on the Hamilton principle and also determined the first three natural frequencies and modes. His results were confirmed by experiment (Mote and Naguleswaran, 1966). There are several excellent and comprehensive survey papers, notably Simpson (1973) researched the natural frequency and mode function of axially moving beams without pre-tension and clamped at both ends. Oz *et al.* (2001) introduced axially moving beams with time-dependent velocity through multiple scale analysis. Liu and Zhang (2007) presented the nonlinear vibration of viscoelastic belts. The bifurcation of transverse vibration for axially accelerating moving strings was investigated by Chen and Wu (2005). Yang and Chen (2005) addressed dynamic stability problem of axially moving viscoelastic beams.

The nonlocal beam models received increasing interest in the past few years. Nonlocal continuum theories regard the stress state at a point as a function of the strain states of all points in the body, in contrast to the classical view that the stress state at a given point is uniquely determined by the strain state at that same point. Eringen (1972) has proposed a nonlocal continuum mechanics theory to deal with the small-scale structure problems while in classical (local) elasticity, the material particles are assumed to be continuously distributed and the stress tensor at a reference point is uniquely determined by the strain tensor through the algebraic relation of Hooke's law, and, the material particles in nonlocal elasticity are allowed to interact with low-range forces and the algebraic constitutive equation is replaced by a generalized constitutive equation of integral and differential operator type. Previous work shows that the dispersion curves obtained by the nonlocal model are in excellent agreement with those obtained by the Born-Karman theory of lattice dynamics. The dislocation core and cohesive stress predicted by the nonlocal theory are also close to corresponding estimates known in the physics of solids (Eringen 1972, 1983; Eringen and Edelen 1972). The nonlocal elasticity theory was applied in nano mechanics including lattice dispersion of elastic waves, wave propagation in composites, dislocation mechanics, static deflection, fracture mechanics, and surface tension fluids. (Reddy and Wang, 1998; Peddieson *et al.*, 2003; Zhang *et al.*, 2004; 2005; Wang, 2005; Lu *et al.*, 2006; Wang and Varadan, 2006; Wang *et al.*, 2006; 2008; Xu, 2006; Lim and Wang, 2007; Benzair *et al.*, 2008; Kumar *et al.*, 2008; Wang and Duan, 2008). The recent work by Tounsi *et al.* (2008) concluded that the scale coefficient was radius dependent.

Vibration behavior of beams has been developed for a long time. However, very few papers consider nanobeams with nonlocal effects. The nano mechanical vibration of an electromagnetic nanobeam is very different from the classical continuum mechanics theory which deals with the macroscopic scale of a beam. In this paper, we attempt to consider the nonlocal effects of a pre-tensioned electromagnetic nanobeam without axial motion and subsequently study the transverse vibration and the effect of Hartmann parameter of such a nanobeam. The model is described by partial differential equations in dimensionless quantities such that the analysis is more general and distinctive to describe the difference between electromagnetic nano mechanics and classical mechanics. It is found that pre-tension and nonlocal stress play significant roles in the vibration

behavior of a electromagnetic nanobeam. Their effects are analyzed and discussed in detail in a few numerical examples.

II. Problem definition and modeling

Consider a pre-tensioned nanobeam with the length L , initial axial tension P at the ends. The end boundary conditions are arbitrary and will be specified in various cases of study. The force equilibrium for an element of the nano beam. For vibration of a nanobeam, the bending rotation angle with respect to x -axis is denoted as θ . Because only small deformation is considered for linear vibration, we have

$$\cos \theta = 1, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}, \quad (1)$$

where w is the transverse deformation.

We consider also a constant magnetic field of strength H_0 acts in the direction of the y . Using Ohm's:

$$J = \sigma_o [E + \mu_o U \times H_o]. \quad (2)$$

where σ_o is the electrical conductivity, E is the intensity vector of the electric field, μ_o is the magnetic permeability, and U is the displacement vector, neglecting the effect of the intensity vector E .

The ponder motive force has non-vanishing component directions, given by

$$F_z = (J \times \mu_o H_o)_z = \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w, \quad (3)$$

The equilibrium equation of an element with respect to the z -axis can be obtained based on the D'Alembert Principle (Fung, 1965) as

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} dx - \left(N \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) dx + \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w dx = \rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} \quad (4)$$

where Q is the shear force, x is the axial, N is the internal axial force, ρ is the line density and t is time.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} - Q = 0, \quad (5)$$

where M is the bending moment.

throughout, we have (Yang and Lim, 2008)

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} - \left(N \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) + \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w - \rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad (6)$$

which can also be expressed as

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(N \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) + \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w - \rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} = 0 \quad (7)$$

For such a nanobeam with a constant, external axial tension P at the ends, we have

$$\frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial x^2} - P \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w = 0 \quad (8)$$

According to Eringen (1983), the nonlocal stress in a 2D domain can be approximately governed by a second-order differential equation

$$[1 - (e_o a)^2 \nabla^2] \sigma_{ij} = \sigma'_{ij} \quad (9)$$

where σ_{ij} ($i, j=1, 2$) are the nonlocal stresses, σ'_{ij} ($i, j=1, 2$) the classical local stresses, e_o a constant dependent on material, and a an internal characteristic length, e.g., for lattice parameter, C-C bond length. For a nanobeam, the governing equation above with respect to the neutral axis can be reduced to an ordinary differential equation as

$$\left[1 - (e_o a)^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right] \sigma = \sigma' \quad (10)$$

where σ indicates the nonlocal normal stresses while σ' the classical local normal stresses along the x -axis. From Eq. (8), the nonlocal normal stresses can be solved and expressed in an infinite series as (Lim and Wang, 2007)

$$\sigma = -Ez \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - Ez (e_o a)^2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} + \dots, \quad (11)$$

where E is the Young's modulus and z is the transverse coordinate. Integrating Eq. (10) above with respect to the distance from the neutral axis and over the cross-sectional area, the nonlocal bending moment is governed by

$$M - (e_o a)^2 \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial x^2} = -EI \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \quad (12)$$

where EI is the flexural stiffness. From Eqs. (8) and (12), the following governing differential equation of motion for a nanobeam subjected to an initial axial tension P can be derived as

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + P \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 w - (e_o a)^2 \left(\rho \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} + P \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} - \sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} \right) = -EI \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} \quad (13)$$

For generality, dimensionless formulation is adopted using the following parameters

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L}, \quad w^* = \frac{w}{L}, \quad t^* = t\sqrt{EI/(\rho L^4)}, \quad H_a^2 = \frac{\sigma_o \mu_o^2 H_o^2}{\rho L}, \quad M^* = \frac{ML}{EI}$$

where H_a is the Hartmann number. In dimensionless quantities, Eq. (13) then becomes, dropping the asterisks for convenience

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + (\bar{P} + \tau^2 \bar{H}_a^2) \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - \tau^2 \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} + (1 - \tau^2 \bar{P}) \frac{\partial^4 w}{\partial x^4} - \bar{H}_a^2 w = 0, \quad (14)$$

where $\tau = e_o a / L, \bar{P} = PL^2 / EI$ and $\bar{H}_a^2 = \rho L^5 H_a^2 / EI$. From Eqs. (8) and (12), the nonlocal bending moment for the non-dimensional form can be expressed as

$$M = \tau^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \bar{P} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} - \bar{H}_a^2 w \right) + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}, \quad (15)$$

For linear free vibration of a nanobeam, the modes are harmonic in time. Hence the time dependent transverse deformation of the nanobeam can be represented by

$$w(x, t) = \bar{w}_n(x) e^{i\omega_n t} \quad (16a)$$

$$M(x, t) = \bar{M}_n(x) e^{i\omega_n t} \quad (16b)$$

where $\bar{w}_n(x)$ is the dimensionless amplitude of vibration and $n=1, 2, \dots$ denotes the vibration mode number. Substituting Eq. (16) into Eqs. (14), and (15) the governing equation is transformed into the frequency domain as

$$(1 + \tau^2(\omega^2 - \bar{P})) \frac{d^4 \bar{w}_n}{dx^4} + (\bar{P} + \tau^2 \bar{H}_a^2) \frac{d^2 \bar{w}_n}{dx^2} - (\bar{H}_a^2 + \omega^2) \bar{w}_n = 0, \quad (17)$$

$$\bar{M} = (1 - \tau^2 \bar{P}) \frac{d^2 \bar{w}_n}{dx^2} - (\tau^2 \omega^2 + \bar{H}_a^2) \bar{w}_n, \quad (18)$$

Eq. (17) can be factorized as

$$\prod_{j=1}^4 \left(\frac{d}{dx} - k_{jn} \right) \bar{w}_n(x) = 0, \quad (19)$$

where k_{1n}, k_{2n}, k_{3n} , and k_{4n} are the roots of the characteristic equation

$$K_{jn}^4 - AK_{jn}^2 - B = 0, \quad (20)$$

where $A = (\bar{P} + \tau^2 \bar{H}_a^2) / (1 + \tau^2(\bar{P} - \omega_n^2))$, and $B = (\bar{H}_a^2 + \omega_n^2) / (1 + \tau^2(\omega_n^2 - \bar{P}))$.

Since Eq. (20) is a fourth-order polynomial in terms of k_i the four roots are denoted by k_{nj} ($j = 1, 2, 3, 4$), respectively. Because only linear free vibration is concerned, the superposition of the four solutions with respect to each root k_j is also a solution of Eq. (19). Hence

$$\bar{w}_n(x) = C_{1n} e^{ik_{1n}x} + C_{2n} e^{ik_{2n}x} + C_{3n} e^{ik_{3n}x} + C_{4n} e^{ik_{4n}x}, \quad (21)$$

$$\bar{M}_n(x) = \ell_{1n} C_{1n} e^{k_{1n}x} + \ell_{2n} C_{2n} e^{k_{2n}x} + \ell_{3n} C_{3n} e^{k_{3n}x} + \ell_{4n} C_{4n} e^{k_{2n}x}, \quad (22)$$

where $\ell_{jn} = k_{jn}^2 (1 - \tau^2 \bar{P}) - (\tau^2 \omega^2 + \bar{H}_a^2)$, C_{jn} ($j = 1, 2, 3, 4$) are four arbitrary constants of integration

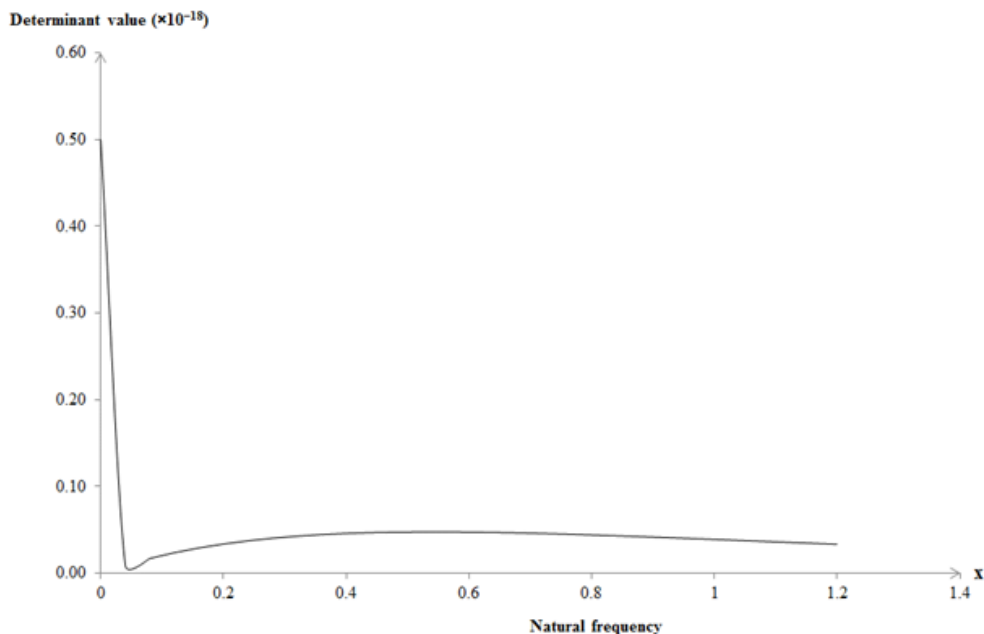


Fig. 1: The relationship between determinant value and natural frequency.

associated with Eq. (20) which is a fourth-order ordinary differential equation.

III. Applications and discussion

To illustrate the effects of nonlocal stress and initial axial tension on the free vibration frequency of a nanobeam, the following examples for various boundary conditions are presented and discussed.

3.1 Simply supported nanobeams

For a nanobeam simply supported at both ends, the boundary conditions for the bending moments and displacements are

$$M(0, t) = 0, \quad M(1, t) = 0, \quad w(0, t) = 0, \quad w(1, t) = 0. \quad (23)$$

Substitute Eq. (16) into Eq. (23) and simplify the results. Further substituting Eqs. (21) and (22) into the results obtained above yields

$$\begin{cases} C_{1n}(\ell_{1n} + \ell_{2n}\bar{C}_{2n} + \ell_{3n}\bar{C}_{3n} + \ell_{4n}\bar{C}_{4n}) = 0, \\ C_{1n}(\ell_{1n}e^{ik_{1n}} + \ell_{2n}\bar{C}_{2n}e^{ik_{2n}} + \ell_{3n}\bar{C}_{3n}e^{ik_{3n}} + \ell_{4n}\bar{C}_{4n}e^{ik_{4n}}) = 0, \\ C_{1n}(1 + \bar{C}_{2n} + \bar{C}_{3n} + \bar{C}_{4n}) = 0, \\ C_{1n}(e^{ik_{1n}x} + \bar{C}_{2n}e^{ik_{2n}x} + \bar{C}_{3n}e^{ik_{3n}x} + \bar{C}_{4n}e^{ik_{4n}x}) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

where $\bar{C}_{jn} = C_{jn}/C_{1n}$, ($j = 1, 2, 3$)

For an arbitrary $C_{1n} \neq 0$ the coefficients in Eq. (24) can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{C}_{2n} &= \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{4n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} + \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{3n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} - 1 \\ \bar{C}_{3n} &= \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \\ \bar{C}_{4n} &= \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{4n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Therefore, the n -mode amplitude of vibration from Eqs. (21) and (25) is

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{w}_n(x) &= C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{4n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{3n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} - 1 \right] e^{ik_{2n}x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{3n}x} + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{4n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

and the corresponding time-dependent displacement from Eq. (16) is

$$\begin{aligned} w_n(x, t) &= C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{4n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{3n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} - 1 \right] e^{ik_{2n}x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{4n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} + e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{3n}x} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(\ell_{1n}^2 - \ell_{3n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{2n}} + e^{ik_{4n}})(\ell_{4n}^2 + \ell_{3n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x} \right\} e^{i\omega_n t} \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

where $C_{1n} \neq 0$ is an arbitrary constant. For nontrivial solution of Eq. (21), the determinant of the coefficient matrix must be zero

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ e^{ik_{1n}} & e^{ik_{2n}} & e^{ik_{3n}} & e^{ik_{4n}} \\ \ell_{1n} & \ell_{2n} & \ell_{3n} & \ell_{4n} \\ \ell_{1n} e^{ik_{1n}} & \ell_{2n} e^{ik_{2n}} & \ell_{3n} e^{ik_{3n}} & \ell_{4n} e^{ik_{4n}} \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

which yields a characteristic equation as

$$\ell_{3n}^2 \ell_{4n}^2 (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}) + \ell_{2n}^2 \ell_{4n}^2 (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \ell_{1n}^2 \ell_{4n}^2 (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}) + \ell_{2n}^2 \ell_{3n}^2 (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}) \\
 & + \ell_{1n}^2 \ell_{3n}^2 (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}}) + \ell_{1n}^2 \ell_{2n}^2 (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}) = 0,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{28}$$

The n -mode vibration mode and transverse deformation can be solved to the extent of an arbitrary constant $C_{1n} \neq 0$. The analysis above can be described clearly through numerical examples. For instance, taking $\tau = 0.3$ and $P = 2$, the roots for $\omega_n (n = 1, 2, \dots)$ satisfying Eqs. (18) and (28) can be obtained as the intercepts of the horizontal axis in Fig. 1 where the determinant Eq. (27) vanishes.

It is obvious that there are infinite modes of frequency, which make the determinant zero. The first intercept with the horizontal axis is the fundamental frequency; the second intercept is the second mode frequency, and so on. Following the numerical procedure above, the relationship between ω_1, ω_2 and the dimensionless nano scale parameter τ can be obtained as shown in Fig. 2.

We can find that the fundamental and the second mode frequencies reduce with the increasing τ . Hence, the natural frequencies reduce when the stronger nonlocal stress effect is present. It is also obvious that the frequencies increase with the dimensionless

pre-tension P . Obviously, τ and P affect very much the natural vibration frequencies.

Natural frequencies

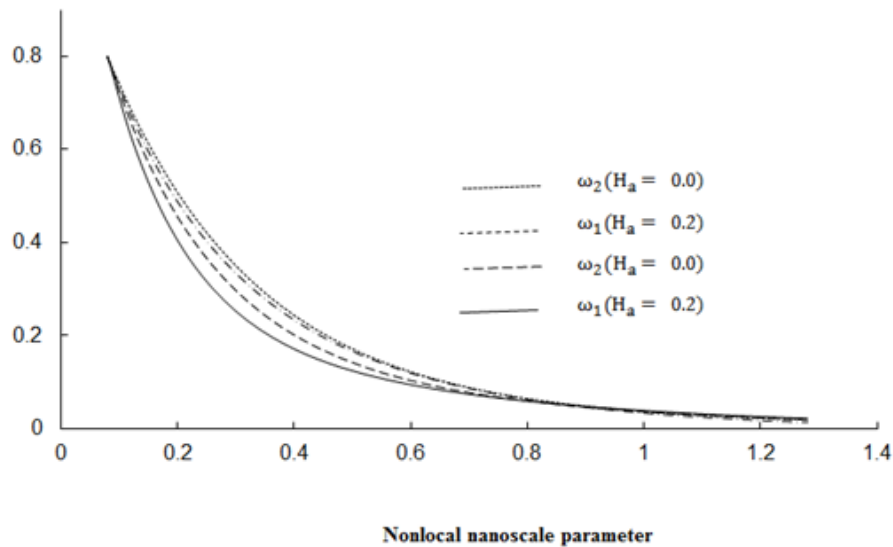


Fig. 2: Nanoscale effects on the first two mode frequencies for clamped nanobeams

3.2. Clamped nanobeams

The problem of a clamped, pre-tensioned nano beam is presented in the following example. The clamped boundary conditions are

$$w(0, t) = 0, \quad w(1, t) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial w(0, t)}{\partial x} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial w(1, t)}{\partial x} = 0.
 \tag{29}$$

From the above equation, the result can be deduced by Eqs. (16) and (21)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\
 e^{ik_{1n}} & e^{ik_{2n}} & e^{ik_{3n}} & e^{ik_{4n}} \\
 k_{1n} & k_{2n} & k_{3n} & k_{4n} \\
 k_{1n} e^{ik_{1n}} & k_{2n} e^{ik_{2n}} & k_{3n} e^{ik_{3n}} & k_{4n} e^{ik_{4n}}
 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 1 \\
 \bar{C}_{2n} \\
 \bar{C}_{3n} \\
 \bar{C}_{4n}
 \end{pmatrix}
 C_{1n} = 0,
 \tag{30}$$

which yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{C}_{2n} &= \frac{1}{K} \left\{ (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) \right\} \\
 &\quad + (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2) \\
 \bar{C}_{3n} &= \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{4n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{C}_{4n} = \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}$$

where $K = (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)$

Hence, the n -mode amplitude of vibration is

$$\bar{w}_n(x) = C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}{K} + \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2)}{K} \right] e^{ik_{2n}x} \right. \quad (31)$$

$$\left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{4n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{3n}x} \right. \quad (32)$$

$$\left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x} \right\}$$

and the corresponding time-dependent displacement is

$$w_n(x, t) = C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}{K} + \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2)}{K} \right] e^{ik_{2n}x} \right. \quad (33)$$

$$\left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{4n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{2n}^2 - k_{1n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{3n}x} \right. \quad (33)$$

$$\left. + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2) + (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})(k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2)} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x} \right\} e^{\omega_n t}$$

For nontrivial solution of matrix Eq. (28), the determinant of the coefficient matrix must be zero, or

$$k_{3n}k_{1n}(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}) + k_{2n}k_{4n}(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}) + k_{1n}k_{4n}(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}) + k_{2n}k_{3n}(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}) + k_{1n}k_{3n}(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}}) + k_{1n}k_{2n}(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}) = 0. \quad (34)$$

Analogously, from Eqs. (20) and (34), we can solve the unknown quantities in Eqs. (32) and (33). To solve the problem numerically, the relationship between ω_1, ω_2 and τ is presented in Fig. 3 for two values of P . Again, it is obvious that frequency decreases with an increase in τ while it increases with an increase in P .

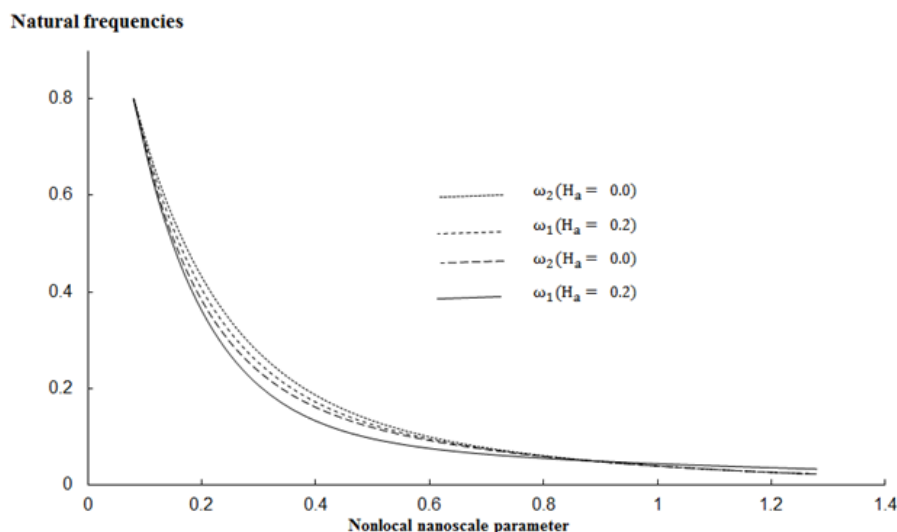


Fig. 3: Nanoscale effects on the first two mode frequencies for clamped nanobeams

3.3. Nanobeams with elastically constrained ends

In this example, we consider a special supporting condition for nanobeams with elastically constrained ends (Xie, 2007). The support conditions may be formulated with the following boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 w(0, t) &= 0, & w(1, t) &= 0, \\
 \frac{\partial^2 w(0, t)}{\partial x^2} - \lambda \frac{\partial w(0, t)}{\partial x} &= 0, \\
 \frac{\partial^2 w(1, t)}{\partial x^2} - \lambda \frac{\partial w(1, t)}{\partial x} &= 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

where $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}/(PL)$ is the dimensionless stiffness of the elastically constrained ends in which $\bar{\lambda}$ is the physical stiffness of the elastic constraint. If λ approaches 0, these ends degenerate to simply supports as discussed in subsection 3.1, while if λ approaches infinity, they degenerate to clamped ones in subsection 3.2.

Substituting Eqs. (16) and (21) into Eq. (35) yields

$$AC = 0, \tag{36}$$

where $A =$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ e^{k_{1n}} & e^{k_{2n}} & e^{k_{3n}} & e^{k_{4n}} \\ k_{1n}^2 + i\lambda k_{1n} & k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda k_{2n} & k_{3n}^2 + i\lambda k_{3n} & k_{4n}^2 + i\lambda k_{4n} \\ (k_{1n}^2 - i\lambda k_{1n})e^{ik_{1n}} & (k_{2n}^2 - i\lambda k_{2n})e^{ik_{2n}} & (k_{3n}^2 - i\lambda k_{3n})e^{ik_{3n}} & (k_{4n}^2 - i\lambda k_{4n})e^{ik_{4n}} \end{pmatrix} C_{1n}$$

For $C_{1n} \neq 0$, the following solutions of coefficients are obtained by solving Eq. (37):

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{2n} &= \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})[k_{3n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] \right. \\
 &+ \left. \frac{e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right\} \\
 C_{3n} &= \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})] \right. \\
 &+ \left. \frac{e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right\} \\
 C_{4n} &= \frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})]}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{4n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})]}
 \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_1 &= (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})^2 [k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{4n} - k_{2n})] \\
 &- (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the n -mode amplitude of vibration can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{w}_n(x) &= C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \frac{e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right. \\
 &+ \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})[k_{3n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] \right. \\
 &+ \left. \left. \frac{e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right\} \right\} e^{k_{2n}x} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})] \right. \\
 &+ \left. \left. \frac{e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right\} \right\} e^{k_{3n}x} \\
 &+ \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})]}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{4n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})]} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x}
 \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

and the corresponding time-dependent displacement is shown in Eq. (40):

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_n(x, t) &= C_{1n} \left\{ e^{ik_{1n}x} + \frac{e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{3n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right. \\
 &+ \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})[k_{3n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] \right. \\
 &+ \left. \left. \frac{e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right\} \right\} e^{k_{2n}x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \left[\frac{e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}}}{e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}}} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{K_1} \left\{ (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n} - k_{2n} + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})] \right\} \right] e^{k_{3n}x} \\
 & + \left[\frac{(e^{ik_{1n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{1n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{1n} - k_{2n})]}{(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{4n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{4n} - k_{2n})] - (e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[k_{3n}^2 - k_{2n}^2 + i\lambda(k_{3n} - k_{2n})]} \right] e^{ik_{4n}x} \Big\} e^{\omega_n t}
 \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

For nontrivial solution of Eq. (36), the determinant of the coefficient matrix must be zero, or Eq. (40)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & k_{3n}k_{4n}(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})[(k_{3n} + i\lambda)(k_{4n} - i\lambda) - (k_{4n} + i\lambda)(k_{3n} - i\lambda)] \\
 & k_{2n}k_{4n}(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})[(k_{2n} + i\lambda)(k_{4n} - i\lambda) - (k_{4n} + i\lambda)(k_{2n} - i\lambda)] \\
 & k_{2n}k_{3n}(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{1n}})[(k_{2n} + i\lambda)(k_{3n} - i\lambda) - (k_{3n} + i\lambda)(k_{2n} - i\lambda)] \\
 & k_{1n}k_{4n}(e^{ik_{3n}} - e^{ik_{2n}})[(k_{1n} + i\lambda)(k_{4n} - i\lambda) - (k_{4n} + i\lambda)(k_{1n} - i\lambda)] \\
 & k_{1n}k_{3n}(e^{ik_{2n}} - e^{ik_{4n}})[(k_{1n} + i\lambda)(k_{3n} - i\lambda) - (k_{3n} + i\lambda)(k_{1n} - i\lambda)] \\
 & k_{1n}k_{2n}(e^{ik_{4n}} - e^{ik_{3n}})[(k_{1n} + i\lambda)(k_{2n} - i\lambda) - (k_{2n} + i\lambda)(k_{1n} - i\lambda)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

The relationship between the natural frequencies ω_1, ω_2 and nanoscale parameter τ is Fig. 4 for $k = 0.2$. Again, we observe similar effects of τ and P where increases in τ and P cause the frequencies to decrease and increase, respectively.

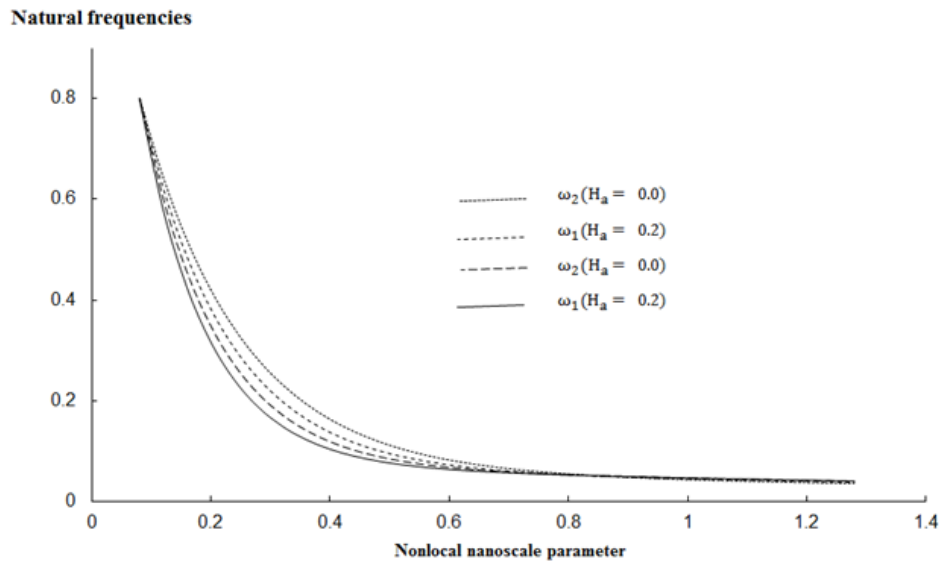


Fig. 4: Nanoscale effects on the first two mode frequencies for nanobeams with elastically constrained ends

IV. Conclusion

In this paper, we concluded that the transverse free vibration of electromagnetic nanobeam is significantly influenced by the existence of a pre-tension and the dimensionless nano scale parameter. Three numerical examples are presented which include simply supported nano beams, clamped nanobeams and nano beams with elastically constrained ends. In the numerical examples, we find that the first two mode frequencies drop quickly with increasing dimensionless nano scale parameter. On the contrary, the first two mode frequencies increase with increasing pre-tension. The effects are similar for the three examples investigated.

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