# Dynamic analysis of functionally graded nonlocal nanobeam with different porosity models

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**Abstract.** This article presented a nanoscale modified continuum model to investigate the free vibration of functionally graded (FG) porous nanobeam by using finite element method. The main novelty of this manuscript is presenting effects of four different porosity models on vibration behaviors of nonlocal nanobeam structure including size effect, that not be discussed before The proposed porosity models are, uniform porosity distribution, symmetric with mid-plane, bottom surface distribution and top surface distribution. The nano-scale effect is included in modified model by using the differential nonlocal continuum theory of Eringen that adding the length scale into the constitutive equations as a material parameter constant. The graded material is distributed through the beam thickness by a generalized power law function. The beam is simply supported, and it is assumed to be thin. Therefore, the kinematic assumptions of Euler-Bernoulli beam theory are held. The mathematical model is solved numerically using the finite element method. Results demonstrate effects of porosity type, material gradation, and nanoscale parameters on the free vibration of nanobeam. The proposed model is effective in vibration analysis of NEMS structure manufactured by porous functionally graded materials.

Keywords: free vibration; functionally graded nanobeam; porosity models; nonlocal elasticity theory; finite element method

# 1. Introduction

New innovative composite materials, known as Functionally graded materials (FGMs), were proposed firstly in Sendai area for addressing heat-resistant problem by Japanese scientists in 1984 during the space-plane project, (Alshorbagy *et al.* 2011, Miyamoto *et al.* 2013). FGMs offer smooth and continuous distribution of two or more materials along one or more directions by a specific function. FGMs have potential applications in various fields such as aircraft, space vehicles, rocket engine, automotive industries, optics, barrier coating, nuclear reactors, Hamed *et al.* (2016), and in nano-structures application such as micro-/nano-electro-mechanical-systems (MEMS/NEMS), thin films, shape memory alloys, and atomic force microscopes (AFM), Eltaher *et al.* (2012).

To investigate mechanical response of nanostructure accurately, modified continuum model theories such as, nonlocal of elasticity of Eringen [Eltaher *et al.* (2016a, b, c), Phung-Van *et al.* (2017a, 2018), Eltaher *et al.* (2019a), Eltaher and Mohamed (2020a), Fenjan *et al.* (2020)], couple stress theory Nguyen *et al.* (2017), Thanh *et al.* (2018), Akbas (2018a), Thanh *et al.* (2019a, b, c), Akbas (2019b), Surface elasticity theory Khater *et al.* (2014), Agwa and

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Copyright © 2020 Techno-Press, Ltd. http://www.techno-press.org/?journal=scs&subpage=8 Eltaher (2016), Almitani (2020), energy equivalent method of CNTs Eltaher and Agwa (2016), Eltaher *et al.* (2019b), Mohamed *et al.* (2020), and doublet mechanic Gul and Aydogdu (2018) and Mohamed *et al.* (2020), Eltaher and Mohamed (2020a) are exploited to include the size-scale effects.

Since, the size-scale effect is missing in classical continuum mechanics, nonlocal theories of continuum mechanics are widely used in order to assess size effects in nanostructures, Apuzzo et al. (2017). Reddy (2007) and Thai (2012) presented analytical solutions for mechanical behaviors of nonlocal nanobeam included higher order beam theories. Reddy (2011) developed microstructuredependent nonlinear Euler-Bernoulli and Timoshenko FG beam theories to study the size effect on postbuckling of nanobeam. Eltaher et al. (2012, 2013a) studied bending, buckling and free vibration of FG nonlocal nanobeam by using finite element method. Simsek and Yurtcu (2013) presented an analytical solution for bending and buckling of FG nanobeams based on the nonlocal Timoshenko beam theory. Eltaher et al. (2013b, 2014a, b) presented effect of neutral axis position natural frequencies of FG macro/nanobeams included a nonlocal elasticity for Euler and Timoshenko beam theories. Shaat et al. (2013) studied nonlinear size-dependent FE of FG tiny-bodies considering surface energy effects. Rahmani and Pedram (2014) analyzed and modeled the size effect on vibration of FG nonlocal Timoshenko nanobeams. Eltaher et al. (2016) presented a comprehensive review on the importance of nonlocal elasticity in analysis of mechanical behaviors of nanobeam. Simsek (2016) studied nonlinear free vibration

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of FG nanobeam using nonlocal strain gradient theory via Hamiltonian approach. Hamed et al. (2016) studied free vibration of symmetric and sigmoid FG nonlocal nanobeams by using finite element method. Ahouel et al. (2016) investigated bending, buckling, and vibration of FG nanobeams using the nonlocal differential constitutive relations of Eringen. Akbas (2017a) explored forced vibration responses of FG modified couple stress theory nanobeams with damping effect excited by a transverse triangular impulse force. Apuzzo et al. (2017) studied free vibrations of Bernoulli-Euler nano-beams by using the stress-driven nonlocal integral model. Trabelssi et al. (2017) examined free vibration response of a nonlocal nonlinear FG Euler-Bernoulli nanobeam resting on a nonlinear elastic foundation. Emam et al. (2018) explored postbuckling and free vibration of multilayer imperfect nanobeams under a pre-stress load. Barretta et al. (2018) developed exact solutions of inflected FG nano-beams modeled by integral elasticity theory. Soliman et al. (2018) and Eltaher et al. (2018a) investigated the dynamic transient response of FG pipe subjected to internal pressure and unsteady temperature. Heydari (2018) analyzed vibration and buckling of arbitrary gradation of nano-higher order rectangular beam. Mirzaei et al. (2019) exploited first-order shear deformation theory to study time-dependent creep of FG beam with trapezoidal cross section. Rahmani et al. (2018) studied free vibration of deep curved FG nano-beam based on modified couple stress theory. Liu et al. (2019) examined the nonlinear vibrational behaviors of FG sandwich nonlocal strain gradient nanobeams in the presence of initial geometric imperfection. Bambaeechee (2019) developed exact analytical solutions for the free vibration of AFG and uniform beams with general elastic supports by using Euler-Bernoulli beam theory. Simsek (2019) derived closed-form solutions for static, buckling, free and forced vibration of FG nanobeams using nonlocal strain gradient theory. Aria and Friswell (2019) developed a nonlocal finite element model to study buckling and vibration of FG nanobeams. Melaibari et al. (2020) investigated static stability of higher order FG beam under variable axial load. Hamed et al. (2020a) studied buckling analysis of sandwich beam rested on elastic foundation and subjected to varying axial in-plane loads. Karami et al. (2020) explored dynamic behavior of two-dimensional FG tapered Timoshenko nanobeam in thermal environment using nonlocal strain gradient theory. Akbas et al. (2020) and Asiri et al. (2020) studied dynamic response of layered FG viscoelastic deep beams under pulse load by using finite element method.

FGMs can be manufactured by self-propagating high temperature synthesis, multi-step sequential infiltration technique, and non-pressure sintering technique. In these processes, porosities and micro-voids may occur inside materials owing to the technical issues, Wang *et al.* (2017), Lee and Ahn (2018) and Matuła *et al.* (2019). The porosity and voids can weaken the strength of FGMs dramatically and adverse effects on required properties of structures.

Porous FG materials are found naturally around us, such as, bamboo with density gradients along the radial direction in its cross section, human cancellous bone which is sponge-like cellular structure, banana peel, and elk antler, etc. Artificial FGPMs, such as biomedical implants, cushioning materials, filtration materials and drug delivery devices, Zhang and Wang (2017). Various techniques, such as, Gas foaming, phase separation techniques, solvent casting and particle leaching, selective laser sintering, stereolithography, and fused deposition modeling have been used to manufacture porous materials, Zhang and Wang (2017). Recently, representative porous materials extensively used in lightweight structures, aerospace and automotive industries, due to their outstanding multifunctionality obtained by low specific weight, efficient capacity of energy dissipation, reduced thermal and electrical conductivity, Kitipornchai *et al.* (2017).

Yahia et al. (2015) presented analytic dispersion relation for wave propagation in FG higher-order plates with porosities. Akbas (2015) investigated free vibration and bending of FG beams resting on elastic foundation. Galeban et al. (2016) studied free vibration of FG thin beams made of saturated porous materials. Ebrahimi and Habibi (2016) analyzed deflection and vibration of higher-order shear deformable compositionally graded porous plate. Amar et al. (2017) presented effects of power-law exponents, porosity distributions, porosity volume fractions, the material length scale parameter and slenderness ratios on bending and dynamic responses of FG micro-beam modeled by modified couple stress theory (MCST). Akbas (2017b, c, d) investigated the free vibration and bending behavior of temperature-dependent FG porous deep beams with different porosity models under mechanical and thermal loads. Mirjavadi et al. (2017) studied the effect of thermal on vibration of two-dimensional FG porous Timoshenko nanobeams. Jandaghian and Rahmani (2017) investigated vibration of FG nanobeams based on third-order shear deformation theory under various boundary conditions. Phung-Van et al. (2017b) studied nonlinear transient isogeometric analysis of smart piezoelectric functionally graded material plates based on generalized shear deformation theory under thermo-electro-mechanical loads. Akbas (2018b) examined numerically effects of material distribution, porosity coefficients, nonlinear effects on the static behavior of FG beams. Akbas (2018c) investigated forced vibration analysis of FG porous deep plane stress beams under dynamically load. Yousfi et al. (2018) developed an analytical solution of the Navier type for free vibration analysis of FG porous plate. Guessas et al. (2018) investigated analytically the effect of porosity on the buckling behavior of carbon nanotube-reinforced composite porous. Nguyen et al. (2018) studied free vibration of tapered BFGM beams using an efficient shear deformable finite element model. Eltaher et al. (2018b) proposed modified porosity model to study free vibration of FG porous nanobeams. Benahmed et al. (2019) studied critical buckling of FG nanoscale beam with porosities by using nonlocal higher-order shear deformation. Hamed et al. (2019) examined effects of porosity models on static behavior of size dependent FG nanobeam by using nonlocal elasticity theory. Khatir et al. (2019) exploited Artificial Neural Network (ANN) combined with Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) for damage quantification in laminated

composite plates using Cornwell indicator (CI). Mekerbi et al. (2019) analyzed thermal buckling of FG plates with porosity and resting on elastic foundation by using quasi 3D theory. Thanh et al. (2019d) presented the size-dependent effects on thermal buckling and post-buckling behaviors of FG material micro-plates with porosities by using isogeometric analysis. Yuksel and Akbas (2019) presented buckling analysis of fiber-reinforced laminated composite plate with porosity effects within the first shear deformation plate theory. Akbas (2019b) presented forced vibration analysis of sandwich deep beams made of FGM in face layers and a porous material in core layer. Akbas (2019c) studied hygro-thermal post-buckling analysis of a FG beam by using Newton-Raphson method and finite element method. Berghouti et al. (2019) presented vibration analysis of nonlocal porous nanobeams made of functionally graded material. Phung-Van et al. (2019) presented the influence of porosity on nonlinear transient responses of functionally graded nanoplates by using isogeometric analysis. Hamed et al. (2020b) studied influence of axial load function and optimization on static stability of sandwich FG beams with porous core. Gafour et al. (2020) exploited non-local shear deformation and energy principle to study free vibration of FG porous nanobeam. Eltaher and Mohamed (2020c) studied buckling of FG beam under variable axial in-plane load by using differential quadrature method. Zhao et al. (2020) presented effects of porosity and flexoelectricity on static bending and free vibration of FG piezoelectric nanobeams.

As predicated from literature, the dynamic free vibration behavior of FG nonlocal nanobeam with different porosity models by suing finite element method has not been addressed. So, this paper presented a numerical model to present effects of uniform, symmetric, bottom surface top surface porosity models on the natural frequencies of FG nanobeam. Nonlocal differential form of Eringen is exploited to include the size-scale effect in modified continuum model. The following sections of a manuscript are arranged as: Section 2 depicts constitutive material equations, porosity models, kinematic relation, nonlocal elasticity and mathematical equation of motion. Section 3 is devoted to the numerical finite element method and element matrices. Numerical results and parametric studies of porosity models, material gradation parameter, and nanoscale effect on the first five natural frequencies of nanobeam are discussed through Section 4. Conclusion and main points of the present study is summarized in Section 5.

# 2. Mathematical formulation

# 2.1 Material graduation functions

The gradation of function graded material can be presented and modeled by a simple homogenization Voigt rule, Hamed *et al.* (2016). The volume fraction of materials are graded across the beam thickness (z) by the following functions, Alshorbagy *et al.* (2011)

$$V_c = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right)^n \qquad \& \qquad V_m = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right)^k \quad (1)$$
$$(0 \le n < \infty)$$

where V, k, h are volume fraction, gradation parameter, and beam thickness, respectively. subscripts c and mrepresent ceramic and metal materials, respectively. Therefore, the gradation of Young's modulus (E) and density ( $\rho$ ) of FG materials can be depicted by a generalized power law function as

$$E(z) = (E_c - E_m) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right]^k + E_m$$

$$\rho(z) = (\rho_c - \rho_m) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right]^k + \rho_m$$
(2)

#### 2.2 Porosity models

It is observed from experimental examination that linear variation of porosity is inadequate to consider a reduction in the rigidity of a structure. Thus, four porosity models are proposed through this study. The first model is proposed by Wattanasakulpong and Ungbhakorn (2014), presumed that the porosity is uniformly distributed through the thickness of the beam by the following [Model 1], as shown in Fig. 1

$$E(z) = [E_c - E_m] \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right)^k + E_m - \frac{\alpha}{2} [E_c + E_m] \quad (3a)$$

$$\rho(z) = \left[\rho_c - \rho_m\right] \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h}\right)^k + \rho_m - \frac{\alpha}{2} \left[\rho_c + \rho_m\right] \quad (3b)$$

In which  $\alpha$  is the volume fraction of porosity in the material. The last term of the equation represents the porosity content in both metal and ceramic constituents.

The model 2 of the porosity, assumed that the porosity is distributed symmetric around mid-axis and its peak lies near to mid-axis and decreased continuously as moved away to top or bottom surface. The material distributions for a symmetric model, shown in Fig. 2, can be implemented by

$$E(z) = \left\{ \left[ E_c - E_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + E_m \right\} \left\{ 1 - \alpha \ \cos\left[ \pi \left( \frac{z}{h} \right) \right] \right\}$$
(4a)



Fig. 1 Uniform porosity distribution Model 1, Thang *et al.* (2018)



Fig. 2 Symmetric porosity distribution Model 2, Thang *et al.* (2018)

$$\rho(z) = \left[ \left[ \rho_c - \rho_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + \rho_m \right] \left[ 1 - \alpha \cos \left[ \pi \left( \frac{z}{h} \right) \right] \right] (4b)$$

The third model assumed that the porosity is concentrated at the bottom surface and decreases upwards, as shown in Fig.3. Hence, the porous material gradated through the thickness by the following

$$E(z) = \left[ \left[ E_c - E_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + E_m \right] \left[ 1 - \alpha \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} \left( \frac{z}{h} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \right]$$
(5a)

$$\rho(z) = \left[ \left[ \rho_c - \rho_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + \rho_m \right] \left[ 1 - \alpha \ \cos\left[ \frac{\pi}{2} \left( \frac{z}{h} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \right]$$
(5b)

The fourth porosity model assumed that, the porosity is concentrated at the top surface and decreased gradually in nonlinear behavior. The fourth model can be depicted by

$$E(z) = \left[ \left[ E_c - E_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + E_m \right] \left[ 1 - \alpha \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} \left( \frac{z}{h} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \right]$$
(6a)  
$$\rho(z) = \left[ \left[ \rho_c - \rho_m \right] \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{z}{h} \right)^k + \rho_m \right] \left[ 1 - \alpha \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} \left( \frac{z}{h} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \right]$$
(6b)

# 2.3 Nonlocal differential constitutive equations

Nonlocal elasticity assumed that the stress at a specified



Fig. 3 Decreasing of porosity distribution upwards Model 3, Thang *et al.* (2018)

point is a functional of strain field around this point with a certain distance. The integral nonlocal equation can be portrayed as, Eltaher *et al.* (2018c, d)

$$\sigma_{ij}(x) = \int_{V} \alpha(|x' - x|, \tau) \mathsf{T}_{ij}(x') \mathrm{d}x' \tag{7}$$

In which  $T_{ij}(x')$  are the macroscopic stress tensor at point x and  $\alpha(|x'-x|,\tau)$  is nonlocal modulus function that represents the effect of interatomic bonding.  $\tau$  is material length scale constant. The macroscopic stress tensor can be described as a function of material elasticity tensor (*C*) and strain ( $\varepsilon$ ) by generalized Hooke's law as

$$t(x) = C(x): \varepsilon(x)$$
(8)

In (1983) Eringen proved that when nonlocal modulus described by a Green's function, the nonlocal constitutive relation can be reduced to the differential form as

$$[1 - (e_0 a)^2 \nabla^2]\sigma_{ij} = t_{ij}$$
<sup>(9)</sup>

where  $e_0$  is a constant to match the reliable results by experiments, *a* is the internallength scale, and  $\nabla^2$  is the Laplacian operator. For one-dimensional nonlocal nanobeam, nonlocal constitute relation Eq. (9) can be written as, Eltaher *et al.* (2018 c, d)

$$\sigma_{xx} - \mu \frac{\partial^2 \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x^2} = E \varepsilon_{xx}; \quad [\mu = (e_0 a)^2]$$
(10)

#### 2.4 Governing equation of motion

Based on the Euler-Bernoulli theory, where plane sections perpendicular to the neutral axis of the beam before deformation remain plane and rigid, and rotate such that they remain perpendicular to the neutral axis after deformation. The displacement field can be assumed as

$$u(x,z) = u_0(x) - z \frac{dw_0(x)}{dx}$$
(11a)

$$w(x,z) = w_0(x) \tag{11b}$$

where u and w are the total displacements along the coordinate (x), and  $u_0$  and  $w_0$  denote the axial and transverse displacements of a point on the neutral axis. According to Euler theory, the only nonzero strain is

$$\varepsilon_{xx}(x,z) = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ u_0(x) - z \frac{dw_0(x)}{dx} \right] = \frac{du_0(x)}{dx} - z \frac{d^2w_0(x)}{dx^2} = \varepsilon_{xx}^0 + z\varepsilon_{xx}^1$$
(12)

The nonzero classical stress can be presented by

$$\sigma_{xx}(x,z) = E(z)\varepsilon_{xx}(x,z) = E(z)[\varepsilon_{xx}^0 + z\varepsilon_{xx}^1]$$
(13)

The Axial and bending moment can be written as

$$N_{xx} = \int_A \sigma_{xx} dA = A_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^0 + B_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^1$$
(14a)

$$M_{xx} = \int_A z \sigma_{xx} dA = B_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^0 + D_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^1$$
(14b)

Where

$$[A_{11}, B_{11}, D_{11}] = b \int_{h} E(z) [1, z, z^{2}] dz$$

$$= b \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{\frac{h}{2}} E_{1}(z) [1, z, z^{2}] dz$$
(15)

and the nonlocal axial force and bending moment can be derived from Eq. (10) by product it by 1 and z then integrate over cross sectional area, results

$$N - \mu \frac{\partial^2 N}{\partial x^2} = A_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^0 + B_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^1$$
(16a)

$$M - \mu \frac{\partial^2 M}{\partial x^2} = B_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^0 + D_{11} \varepsilon_{xx}^1$$
(16b)

Using Hamilton's principle, the equation of motion of a FG porous nonlocal nanobeam can be derived as follows

$$A_{11}\frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial x^2} + B_{11}\frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial x^3} + \left(1 - \mu \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\right)f = I_0\frac{\partial^2 u_0}{\partial t^2} - I_1\frac{\partial^3 w_0}{\partial t^2 \partial x^2} - \mu \left[I_0\frac{\partial^4 u_0}{\partial t^2 \partial x^2} - I_1\frac{\partial^5 w_0}{\partial t^2 \partial x^3}\right]$$
(17a)

$$B_{11}\left(\frac{d^{3}u_{0}}{dx^{3}}\right) + D_{11}\frac{d^{4}w_{0}}{dx^{4}} + \left(1 - \mu \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)q + \left(1 - \mu \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)\left(\overline{N}\frac{\partial^{2}w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}}\right) = \left(1 - \mu \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)\left[I_{0}\frac{\partial^{2}w_{0}}{\partial t^{2}} + I_{1}\frac{\partial^{3}u_{0}}{\partial t^{2}\partial x} - (17b)\right]$$
$$I_{2}\frac{\partial^{4}w_{0}}{\partial t^{2}\partial x^{2}}\right]$$

where f is the axial distributed force in *x*-direction, q is the transverse distributed force in *z*-direction, and  $\overline{N}$  is the axial compressive load applied at the neutral axis and normal to the cross section. Inertia terms  $I_0, I_1$ , and  $I_2$  are described by

$$[I_0, I_1, I_2] = b \int_h \rho(z) \ [1, z, \ z^2] dz \tag{18}$$

## 3. Numerical formulation

The displacement components at the mid-plane (that is coincident with neutral plane in the current material distributions) of a beam element can be described as, Eltaher et al. (2013)

In-plane displacement  $u_0$ 

$$u_0^{(e)}(x,t) = \sum_{i=1}^2 N_i U_i(t) = N_1 U_1(t) + N_2 U_2(t)$$
  
where  $i = 1,2$  (19a)

Transverse displacement wo

$$w_0^{(e)}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}) = \sum_{k=1}^{4} \widetilde{N}_k \widetilde{W}_k$$
  
=  $\widetilde{N}_1 W_1 + \widetilde{N}_2 \theta_1 + \widetilde{N}_3 W_2 + \widetilde{N}_4 \theta_2$  (19b)

where U, W and  $\theta$  are the nodal displacements and slope, respectively.  $N_i$  is the Lagrangian interpolation function for in plane displacement, and  $\widetilde{N}_k$  is Hermetian interpolation shape function for transverse displacements. The variational form of the nonlocal Euler-Bernoulli beam is

$$\int_{0}^{T} \int_{0}^{L} \left\{ \left( \left[ -\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} E_{1}(z) dz - \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} E_{2}(z) dz \right] \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial x} + \left[ \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} z E_{1}(z) dz + \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} z E_{2}(z) dz \right] \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial x} + \left[ \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} z E_{1}(z) dz + \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} z E_{2}(z) dz \right] \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} + \left[ -\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} z^{2} E_{1}(z) dz - -\int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} z^{2} E_{2}(z) dz \right] \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} + \left( f \delta u_{0} + \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial x} \right) + \left( q \delta w_{0} - \mu q \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \right) + \left( f \delta u_{0} + \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial x} \right) + \left( q \delta w_{0} - \mu q \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \right) + \left( \frac{N}{\partial \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t}} \frac{\partial \delta w_{0}}{\partial x} - \mu N \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \right) + \left( I_{0} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial t} - \mu I_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial x} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial x^{2}} \right) + \left( I_{0} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \delta u_{0}}{\partial t} - \mu I_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial x} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial t^{2}} + I_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial x} \frac{\partial^{2} \delta w_{0}}{\partial t^{2}} + I_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial t^{2} \partial t} \right) + \left( I_{0} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \delta w_{0}}{\partial t^{2}} + I_{0} \frac{\partial u_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial t^{2} \partial t} \frac{\partial \delta w_{0}}{\partial t} + \mu I_{0} \frac{\partial^{2} w_{0}}{\partial t^{2} \partial t^{2} \partial t} \right) \right) dx dt + \int_{0}^{t} \left[ \overline{N}_{B} \delta u_{0} + \overline{V}_{B} \delta w_{0} + \overline{M}_{B} \frac{\partial \delta w_{0}}{\partial x} \right]_{0}^{L} dt = 0$$

By substituting Eqs. (19) into Eq. (20) and integrating over the domain, the equation of motion is derived as

$$(M_l + \mu M_{nl}) \ \ddot{Y} + K_s \ Y + K_G Y = F + Q$$
(21)

where  $M_l$  and  $M_{nl}$  are local and nonlocal mass matrices, respectively.  $K_s$  is the stiffness matrix of the FG beam,  $K_G$ is the geometrical stiffness matrix, Y is the generalized displacement vector, F and Q are the distributed force vector and the concentrated force vector, respectively. The element matrices and force vectors are described as follows:

The mass matrices are represented by

$$M_{l} = \int_{0}^{l} I_{0} N_{i} N_{j} dx + \int_{0}^{l} \left( I_{0} \widetilde{N}_{k} \widetilde{N}_{l} + I_{2} \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x} \right) dx + \int_{0}^{l} \left( I_{1} \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \widetilde{N}_{l} + I_{1} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} N_{i} \right) dx$$
(22a)

$$M_{nl} = -\int_{0}^{l} I_{0} \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial N_{j}}{\partial x} dx + \int_{0}^{l} \left( I_{0} \widetilde{N}_{k} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} - I_{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} \right) dx + \int_{0}^{l} \left( I_{1} \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} + I_{1} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \right) dx$$
(22b)

The element stiffness matrix can be calculated by

$$K_{u} = \int_{0}^{t} \left[ -\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} E_{1}(z)dz - \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} E_{2}(z)dz \right] \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial N_{j}}{\partial x}dx \quad (22c)$$
  
where *i* and *j* =1,2

$$K_{w} = \int_{0}^{l} \left[ -\int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} z^{2} E_{1}(z) dz - \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} z^{2} E_{2}(z) dz \right] \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x} dx \quad (22d)$$

where k and 
$$l = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$K_{uw} = \int_{0}^{t} \left[ \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} zE_{1}(z)dz + \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} zE_{2}(z)dz \right] \frac{\partial^{2}\tilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x}dx + \int_{0}^{l} \left[ \int_{-\frac{h}{2}}^{0} zE_{1}(z)dz + (22e) \int_{0}^{\frac{h}{2}} zE_{2}(z)dz \right] \frac{\partial N_{i}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^{2}\tilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x^{2}}d$$

$$K_{s} = K_{u} + K_{w} + K_{uw} \qquad (22f)$$

The element geometrical stiffness matrix is represented by

$$K_{G} = \int_{0}^{L} \left[ -\overline{N} \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x} + \mu \ \overline{N} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{k}}{\partial x^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} \widetilde{N}_{l}}{\partial x^{2}} \right] dx \qquad (22g)$$

The force vector is given by

$$F = q \int_0^L \left[ \widetilde{N}_k - \mu \frac{\partial^2 \widetilde{N}_k}{\partial x^2} \right] dx + \int_0^L \left[ f N_i + \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} \right] dx$$
(22h)

#### 4. Numerical results

Through this section, parametric studies are presented to illustrate effects of porosity models, porosity parameter, material gradation parameter, and nonlocal size-scale on the first five natural frequencies of FG porous nanobeam. Through this analysis, the constituent materials of the FG beam in the present study are steel metal and ceramic is alumina, whose properties are presented in Table 1. The thickness of FG porous nanobeam is 100 nm, however, the length and with are assumed to be 100 h and 10 h.



Fig. 4 Illustrate the geometrical dimension of simplysupported FG nanobeam structure, Eltaher *et al.* (2018b)

Table 1 Material	properties of FGM	constituents
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Properties	Steel (metal)	Alumina (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) (ceramic)
E (GPa)	210	390
ho (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	7800	3960
υ	0.3	0.3

In free vibration analysis, the eigenvalue problems are solved using the following relations

$$[K]\{\bar{d}\} = \omega^2[M]\{\bar{d}\}$$
(23)

where  $\{\bar{d}\}\$  represents the eigenvectors,  $\lambda$  are the eigenvalues (critical buckling loads), and  $\omega^2$  are the eigenvalues (natural frequencies) of the dynamic system. The nondimensional natural frequency is calculated according to the formula,  $w_i = \omega_i^2 L^2 \sqrt{\frac{\rho_c A}{E_c l}}$ .

#### 4.1 Model validation

To validate this model, the nonlocal elasticity model is compared by results obtained by Reddy (2007), for isotropic material. As shown, the current results are identical as obtained by Redd (2007).

# 4.2 Effect of gradation parameter

The effect of gradation parameter on the first five natural frequencies of FG porous beam for different porosity models is presented in Figs. (5-9). As shown, by increasing gradation parameter the natural frequencies decreased sharply through a range of  $0 \le k \le 2$ . After that, approximately linear decreasing of the natural frequencies with a small rate is observed in case of  $2 \le k$ , for all porosity model.



Fig. 5 Gradation Parameter Effect on the 1st natural frequencies for different porosity models at  $\alpha$ =0.2 and  $\mu$ =0

Table 2 The first natural frequency for isotopic material with different nonlocal parameter at L/h=10

μ	Reddy (2007)	Obtained Results
0	9.8696	9.8696
1	9.4159	9.4159
2	9.01495	9.0195
3	8.6693	8.6693
4	8.3569	8.3569



Fig. 6 Gradation Parameter Effect on the 2nd natural frequencies for different porosity models at  $\alpha=0.2$  and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 7 Gradation Parameter Effect on the 3rd natural frequencies for different porosity models at  $\alpha=0.2$  and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 8 Gradation Parameter Effect on the 4th natural frequencies for different porosity models at  $\alpha=0.2$  and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 9 Gradation Parameter Effect on the 5th natural frequencies for different porosity models at  $\alpha$ =0.2 and  $\mu$ =0

It is predicted from the figure that, natural frequencies for the first porosity model (uniform distribution) is the highest one in case of  $k \le 1$  and, it is the lowest frequencies in the range of  $1 \le k$ . The natural frequency for porosity model 2 (symmetric distribution with mid-plane) is the highest one comparable by the other models if the gradation index greater than 1.

# 4.3 Effect of porosity parameter

The influence of porosity parameter on the first fife natural frequencies of FG porous nanobeam is illustrated in Figs. (10-14). At the beginning, all models have the same natural frequencies because the beam is fully without any porosity at  $\alpha = 0$ , and all models become the same. After that, there different phenomena. As shown porosity parameter has different effects on the frequencies of nanobeam according to the porosity model and mode number. As a case in hand, for the first natural frequency as depicted in Fig. 10, the neutral frequency decreased by increasing the porosity parameter for the uniform porosity distribution (Model 1). However, it has opposite effect in case of symmetric distribution through mid-plane, i.e., the 1st natural frequency is increased proportionally with increasing the porosity parameter for model 2. For these two models, the porosity parameter has the same effect on the natural frequencies for the higher modes. In case of model 3, the first natural frequency is increased by increasing the porosity parameter. However, the higher frequencies are insignificant for the variation of porosity parameter. In case for, the first natural frequency decreases with increasing the porosity parameter and the higher frequencies remain constant by changing the porosity parameter. The highest natural frequencies are observed for model 2, and lowest natural frequencies are noticed for model 1. The natural frequencies for model 3 and model 4 are close to each other, as depicted in Figs. (11-14).



Fig. 10. Porosity parameter effect on the 1st natural frequencies for different porosity models at k=3.0 and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 11 Porosity parameter effect on the 2nd natural frequencies for different porosity models at k=3.0 and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 12. Porosity parameter effect on the 3rd natural frequencies for different porosity models at k=3.0 and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 13 Porosity parameter effect on the 4th natural frequencies for different porosity models at k=3.0 and  $\mu=0$ 



Fig. 14 Porosity parameter effect on the 5th natural frequencies for different porosity models at k=3.0 and  $\mu=0$ 

#### 4.4 Nonlocal size-scale effect

The effects of nonlocal scale parameter on the 1<sup>st</sup> natural frequency of porous FG nanobeam for different gradation parameter as presented in Figs. (15-18). As shown in Fig. 11 for model 1, the effect of length scale is insignificant on the 1<sup>st</sup> natural frequency in the range of  $k \leq 1$ . By increasing the gradation parameter more than 1, the effect of nanoscale on the natural frequency becomes significant and tends to decrease the natural frequency by increasing its value. For other porosity models, shown in Figs. (16-18), by increasing the nonlocal parameter, the 1<sup>st</sup> natural frequency decreases gradually for any value of gradation parameter. It can conclude that, the nonlocal parameter tends to soften the material and thus decreasing its natural frequency.



Fig. 15 Effect of nonlocal scale parameter on the 1st natural frequency of porous FG nanobeam  $\alpha$ =0.2 for the porosity of model 1



Fig. 16 Effect of nonlocal scale parameter on the 1st natural frequency of porous FG nanobeam  $\alpha$ =0.2 for the porosity of model 2



Fig. 17 Effect of nonlocal scale parameter on the 1st natural frequency of porous FG nanobeam  $\alpha$ =0.2 for the porosity of model 3



Fig. 18 Effect of nonlocal scale parameter on the 1st natural frequency of porous FG nanobeam  $\alpha$ =0.2 for the porosity of model 4

# 5. Conclusions

In the framework of continuum mechanics, the free vibration of functional graded porous nanobeam is investigated. Different porosity models, such as uniform porosity distribution, symmetric with mid-plane, bottom surface distribution and top surface distribution, are proposed through analysis. Modified continuum model is adopted by include nano-scale effect by nonlocal Eringen theory. The mathematical model is solved numerically using the finite element method. The most findings of the current analysis can be summarized as: -.

- ▶ By increasing gradation parameter, the natural frequencies decreased sharply through a range of  $0 \le k \le 2$ . After that, approximately linear decreasing of the natural frequencies with a small rate is observed in case of  $2 \le k$ .
- Natural frequencies for the first porosity model (uniform distribution) is the highest one in case of k ≤ 1 and, it is the lowest frequencies in the range of 1 ≤ k.
- The natural frequency for porosity model 2 (symmetric distribution with mid-plane) is the highest one comparable by the other models if the gradation index greater than 1
- Porosity parameter has different effects on the frequencies of nanobeam according to the porosity model and mode number.
- The nonlocal parameter tends to soften the material and thus decreasing its natural frequency.

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