



## Transient dynamic analysis of higher order sandwich and composite arches

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### ABSTRACT

A higher order refined model with isoparametric elements is proposed to study the transient dynamic response of laminated arches/curved beams. The strain field is modeled through cubic axial, cubic transverse shear and linear transverse normal strain components. As the cross-sectional warping is accurately modeled by this theory, the shear correction factor is rendered redundant. The stress–strain relationship is derived from an orthotropic lamina in a three-dimensional state of stress, so that angle-ply laminates can be studied through one-dimensional elements. Consistent mass matrix is constituted for the equation of motion, which is solved by Newmark integration scheme. The higher order formulation is validated with available results and subsequently applied to arches with various curvatures, aspect ratios, boundary conditions, loadings and lamination schemes to evaluate its transient dynamic performance and suitable conclusions are drawn.

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### 1. Introduction

Evaluation of response of laminated arches or curved beams to transient dynamic loads is the key to the design of components, subsystems or even systems with such materials in aero space, healthcare, automotive and transportation segments due to their high strength to weight ratio. That would be feasible through the development of a suitable numerical model and that is primary focus of this paper.

Wu and Witmer studied the nonlinear transient response of an impulsively loaded ring through the displacement finite elements based on principle of virtual work [1] and developed the equation of motion for beams and rings [2] with material and geometric nonlinearities based on Euler–Bernoulli and Timoshenko [3] theories of deformation using virtual work and D'Alembert's principle. Tene et al. [4] studied plane curved beam with shear deformation and rotary inertia, subjected to static and dynamic loads through Houbolt's method and finite difference scheme. Sagartz [5] evaluated the transient response of a three-layer ring through a computational model along with an experimental study. Remseth [6] studied the nonlinear dynamic analysis of space frames, wherein curved beams were modeled through the introduction of initial deflections in the element stiffness relations.

Sheinman [7] reported an arbitrary plane curved beam with geometric nonlinearity, shear deformation, rotary inertia, initial imperfections and viscous damping, subjected to dynamic loads

through Houbolt's method. Noor and Knight [8] developed a computational procedure for predicting the dynamic response of curved beam with geometric nonlinearity. Using a mixed formulation and explicit central difference method, they analyzed arches with transverse shear and rotary inertia. Noor and Peters [9] presented a large rotation dynamic analysis of curved beams with the effects of transverse shear deformation using Newmark's integration. Henrych [10] dealt with the subject of linear free and forced oscillations of planar arches and frames, with various cross-sections, rotatory and tangential inertia, transverse shear and extensionality of the neutral axis.

Hsiao and Hsiao [11] published a co-rotational finite element formulation for the dynamic analysis of a planar curved beam, based on the Euler–Bernoulli theory, wherein the nonlinear dynamic equilibrium equations are solved through Newmark integration scheme and Newton–Raphson technique. Khdeir and Reddy [12] studied the dynamic response of slightly curved cross-ply laminated composite beams to general forcing functions and for arbitrary end conditions through a model based on shallow shell theory for thin to thick arches. Huang et al. [13] analyzed the transient response of arches with variable curvature, shear deformation, rotary inertia and damping by combining the dynamic stiffness method with the Laplace transform. Gordon and Hollkamp [14] adopted implicit condensation and expansion method to predict the response of a thin, curved aluminum beam to random distributed loading.

As one can observe from the reported literature that the formulations based on classical Euler–Bernoulli theory can handle only thin sections with higher aspect ratios. While the studies based on first order theory can model deeper sections, they have

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### Nomenclature

$S$	arclength of the arch	FOST	first order shear deformation theory of Timoshenko [3]
$t$	thickness of cross-section	$k$	shear correction factor (5/6) for FOST
$R$	radius of curvature	$t_f$	time at which the external force vector reaches zero magnitude
$S/t$	aspect ratio	$t_p$	time at which the external force vector reaches peak value
$\beta(=S/R)$	subtended angle of an arch		
BC	boundary condition		
HOAM	higher order arch model		

limitations such as the need for a shear correction factor [3] and the inability to capture the cross-sectional warping – a key factor for sandwich constructions with stiff facings and weak cores. Besides, this theory cannot model the variation of transverse displacement across the thickness i.e. the transverse normal strain. Hence, there is a need for a numerical model that can accurately model and analyze deep laminated arches or curved beams. This paper aims to propose a higher order model, fulfilling that need.

This higher order theory models the cross-sectional warping through a cubic axial strain; considers the variation of transverse displacement across the thickness through a linearly varying transverse normal strain; incorporates transverse shear strain, varying cubically across the cross-section and does not require any shear correction factor and is built through standard isoparametric elements. Its elasticity matrix had been derived from an orthotropic lamina assumed to be in a three-dimensional state of stress, in such a way that even angle-ply laminations can be studied using one-dimensional elements. The equation of motion assembled through consistent mass matrix is solved by the Newmark time integration scheme.

Through the transient dynamic analyses of shallow to deep and thin to thick laminated arches with various boundary and loading conditions, the proposed higher order formulation is first validated and subsequently evaluated in a comparative manner with the first order model.

## 2. Theoretical formulation

The higher order arch model (HOAM), based on Taylor's series expansion [15], can be expressed, for an arch, as follows:

$$u = u_0 + z\theta_x + z^2 u_0^* + z^3 \theta_x^* \quad (1)$$

$$w = w_0 + z\theta_z + z^2 w_0^* \quad (2)$$

where  $z$  is the distance from the neutral axis to any point of interest along the depth of the arch,  $u_0$  and  $w_0$  are axial and transverse displacements in  $x$ - $z$  plane,  $\theta_x$  is the face rotation about  $y$ -axis (Fig. 1) and  $u_0^*$ ,  $\theta_x^*$ ,  $\theta_z$ ,  $w_0^*$  are the higher order terms arising out of Taylor's series expansion and defined at the neutral axis.

The Lagrangian function is given as

$$L = T - (U - W) \quad (3)$$

where  $T$  is the kinetic energy,  $U$  is the internal strain energy and  $W$  is the work done by the external forces/loads. The same can be expressed as

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \int \dot{u}^t \rho \dot{u} dv - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int \varepsilon^t \sigma dv - b \int u^t p dx \right\} \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{u} &= [u \ w]^t, \quad \dot{\tilde{u}} = [\dot{u} \ \dot{w}]^t, \quad \varepsilon = [\varepsilon_x \ \varepsilon_z \ \gamma_{xz}]^t, \\ \tilde{\sigma} &= [\sigma_x \ \sigma_z \ \tau_{xz}]^t, \quad \tilde{p} = [p_x \ p_z]^t \end{aligned} \quad (4a)$$

The field variables can be expressed in terms of nodal degrees of freedom as

$$\tilde{u} = Z_d d \quad (5)$$

where

$$d = [u_0 \ w_0 \ \theta_x \ u_0^* \ \theta_x^* \ \theta_z \ w_0^*]^t \quad (5a)$$

$$Z_d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & z & z^2 & z^3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & z & z^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5b)$$

The strain field for an arch [16] can be expressed as

$$\varepsilon_x = \frac{1}{(1+z/R)} (u_x + w/R) \quad (6a)$$

$$\varepsilon_z = w_z \quad (6b)$$

$$\gamma_{xz} = w_x + u_z - u/R \quad (6c)$$

where  $R$  is the radius of curvature.

Applying the displacement field from Eqs. (1) and (2) in the above equations, one gets,

$$\varepsilon_x = \varepsilon_{x0} + z^2 \varepsilon_{x0}^* + z \kappa_x + z^3 \kappa_x^* \quad (7a)$$

$$\varepsilon_z = \varepsilon_{z0} + z \kappa_z \quad (7b)$$

$$\gamma_{xz} = \varphi + z^2 \varphi^* + z \gamma_{xz} + z^3 \gamma_{xz}^* \quad (7c)$$

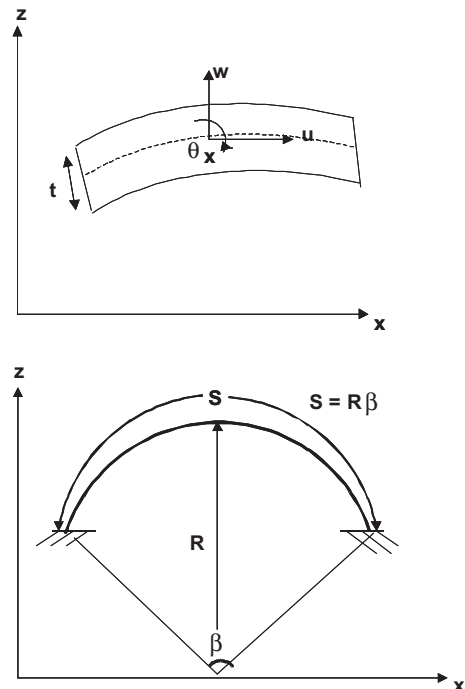


Fig. 1. Arch geometry with displacement components.

and can be expressed in matrix form as

$$\varepsilon_x = Z_a^t \varepsilon_a + Z_b^t \varepsilon_b \quad (8)$$

$$\varepsilon_z = Z_t^t \varepsilon_t \quad (9)$$

$$\gamma_{xz} = Z_s^t \gamma_s \quad (10)$$

where

$$\varepsilon_a = [\varepsilon_{x0} \ \varepsilon_{x0}^*]^t = [(u_{0,x} + w_0/R)(u_{0,x}^* + w_0^*/R)]^t \quad (11a)$$

$$\varepsilon_b = [\kappa_x \ \kappa_x^*]^t = [(\theta_{x,x} + \theta_z/R)(\theta_{x,x}^*)]^t \quad (11b)$$

$$\varepsilon_t = [\varepsilon_{z0} \ \kappa_z]^t = [\theta_z \ 2w_0^*]^t \quad (11c)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_s &= [\varphi \ \varphi^* \ \gamma_{xz} \ \gamma_{xz}^*]^t \\ &= [(w_{0,x} + \theta_x - u_0/R)(w_{0,x}^* + 3\theta_x^* - u_0^*/R) \ (\theta_{z,x} + 2u_0^* - \theta_x/R) \\ &\quad (-\theta_x^*/R)]^t \end{aligned} \quad (11d)$$

$$Z_a = \left[ \frac{1}{(1+z/R)} \frac{z^2}{(1+z/R)} \right]^t \quad (11e)$$

$$Z_b = \left[ \frac{z}{(1+z/R)} \frac{z^3}{(1+z/R)} \right]^t \quad (11f)$$

$$Z_t = [1 \ z]^t \quad (11g)$$

$$Z_s = [1 \ z^2 \ z \ z^3]^t \quad (11h)$$

The strains of Eqs. (8)–(10) can be rewritten in a combined matrix form as

$$\varepsilon = \bar{Z} \bar{\varepsilon} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\bar{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} Z_a^t & Z_b^t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_t^t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & Z_s^t \end{bmatrix} \quad (12a)$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon} = [\varepsilon_a \ \varepsilon_b \ \varepsilon_t \ \gamma_s]^t \quad (12b)$$

The stress–strain relationship of an orthotropic lamina in a three dimensional state of stress can be expressed as [17],

$$\sigma^o = Q \varepsilon^o \quad (13)$$

where

$$\sigma^o = [\sigma_x \ \sigma_y \ \sigma_z \ \tau_{xy} \ \tau_{yz} \ \tau_{xz}]^t \quad (13a)$$

$$\varepsilon^o = [\varepsilon_x \ \varepsilon_y \ \varepsilon_z \ \gamma_{xy} \ \gamma_{yz} \ \gamma_{xz}]^t \quad (13b)$$

and  $Q$  is given by Eqs. (A17)–(A29), in Appendix A.

By setting  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\tau_{yz}$  equal to zero in Eq. (13) and deriving the remaining stress components from the same equation, one gets the stress–strain relationship as [18],

$$\sigma = C \varepsilon \quad (14)$$

where

$$\sigma = [\sigma_x \ \sigma_z \ \tau_{xz}]^t \quad (14a)$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & C_{12} & 0 \\ C_{21} & C_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14b)$$

and the expressions for various  $C$  matrix elements are given by Eqs. (B1)–(B6), in Appendix B.

The internal strain energy can be evaluated using Eqs. (12) and (14) as

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int \varepsilon^t \sigma \, dv = \frac{1}{2} \int \bar{\varepsilon}^t \bar{D} \bar{\varepsilon} \, dx \quad (15)$$

where

$$\bar{D} = b \int \bar{Z}^t C \bar{Z} \, dz \quad (15a)$$

$$= b \int \begin{bmatrix} Z_a C_{11} Z_a^t & Z_a C_{11} Z_b^t & Z_a C_{12} Z_t^t & 0 \\ Z_b C_{11} Z_a^t & Z_b C_{11} Z_b^t & Z_b C_{12} Z_t^t & 0 \\ Z_t C_{21} Z_a^t & Z_t C_{21} Z_b^t & Z_t C_{22} Z_t^t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & Z_s C_{33} Z_s^t \end{bmatrix} dz \quad (15b)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} D_{aa} & D_{ab} & D_{at} & 0 \\ D_{ba} & D_{bb} & D_{bt} & 0 \\ D_{ta} & D_{tb} & D_{tt} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & D_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \quad (15c)$$

and the expansions of various  $D$  matrices are given by Eqs. (C3)–(C13), in Appendix C.

The kinetic energy can be expressed using Eq. (5) as

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \int (\dot{d}^t \bar{m} \dot{d}) \, dx \quad (16)$$

where

$$\bar{m} = b \sum_{i=1}^{NL} \int (z_d^t \rho_i z_d) \, dz \quad (17)$$

where  $\rho_i$  is the mass density of a layer and  $\bar{m}$  is given by Eq. (C12), in Appendix C.

The external work done of Eqs. (3) and (4) can be modified with Eq. (5) as

$$W = d^t \int \tilde{P} \, dx \quad (18)$$

where

$$\tilde{P} = b Z_d^t p \quad (18a)$$

$$= b [p_x \ p_z \ z p_x \ z^2 p_x \ z^3 p_x \ z p_z \ z^2 p_z]^t \quad (18b)$$

which can be expressed as

$$\tilde{P} = [p_{x0} \ p_{z0} \ m_{x0} \ p_{x0}^* \ m_{x0}^* \ m_{z0} \ p_{z0}^*]^t \quad (18c)$$

The Lagrangian function can be re-stated with Eqs. (15), (16) and (18) as

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \int \dot{d}^t \bar{m} \dot{d} \, dx - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int \bar{\varepsilon}^t \bar{D} \bar{\varepsilon} \, dx - d^t \int \tilde{P} \, dx \right\} \quad (19)$$

### 3. Finite element modeling

The displacements within an element can be expressed in terms of its nodal displacements in isoparametric formulations as

$$d = N d_e \quad (20)$$

where  $N$  is the shape function vector [19] and  $d_e$  is a vector containing nodal displacement vectors of an element with  $m$  nodes and can be expressed as

$$d_e = [d_1^t \ d_2^t \ \dots \ d_m^t]^t \quad (21)$$

Similarly, the strains within an element can be written through Eqs. (5a) and (12b) as

$$\bar{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} B_a \\ B_b \\ B_t \\ B_s \end{bmatrix} d_e = \bar{B} d_e \quad (22)$$

where, for a given node  $m$ , the strain displacement matrix can be computed as

$$B_a = \begin{bmatrix} N_x & N/R & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & N_x & 0 & 0 & N/R \end{bmatrix}_m \quad (23)$$

$$B_b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & N_x & 0 & 0 & N/R & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & N/R & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_m \quad (24)$$

$$B_t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & N & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2N \end{bmatrix}_m \quad (25)$$

$$B_s = \begin{bmatrix} -N/R & N_x & N & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -N/R & 3N & 0 & N_x \\ 0 & 0 & -N/R & 2N & 0 & N_x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -N/R & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_m \quad (26)$$

By substituting Eqs. (20) and (22) in Eq. (19), one gets,

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \dot{d}_e^t \int N^t \bar{m} N dx \dot{d}_e - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \dot{d}_e^t \int \bar{B}^t \bar{D} \bar{B} dx \dot{d}_e - \dot{d}_e^t \left[ P_c + \int N^t \tilde{P} dx \right] \right\} \quad (27)$$

Applying Hamilton's principle on  $L$ , we get the governing equation of motion as

$$M \dot{d} + Kd = F(t) \quad (28)$$

where

$$M = \int N^t \bar{m} N dx \quad (28a)$$

$$K = \int \bar{B}^t \bar{D} \bar{B} dx \quad (28b)$$

$$F(t) = \left( P_c + \int N^t \tilde{P} dx \right) p(t) \quad (28c)$$

The external force vector of Eq. (28c) can be expressed as

$$F(t) = \left( P_c + \sum w_g N^t \tilde{P} |J| \right) p(t) \quad (29)$$

**Table 1**  
Temporal distribution of loading function.

Triangular pulse loading-1	$p(t) = t/t_p$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_p)$ $= 1 - [(t - t_p)/(t_f - t_p)]$ for $(t_p < t \leq t_f)$ $= 0$ for $(t > t_f)$
Triangular pulse loading-2	$p(t) = 1 - t/t_f$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_f)$ $= 0$ for $(t > t_f)$
Step pulse loading	$p(t) = 1$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_f)$ $= 0$ for $(t > t_f)$
Sine pulse loading	$p(t) = \sin(\pi t/t_f)$ for $(0 \leq t \leq t_f)$ $= 0$ for $(t > t_f)$
Blast (exponential) loading	$p(t) = e^{-\delta t}$
Newmark method constants	$\gamma = 0.5, \beta = 0.25$

**Table 2**  
Boundary conditions for different supports.

Support type	At $x = 0$	At $x = S$
Simply supported (SS)	$u_0 = u_0^* = 0$ $w_0 = \theta_2 = w_0^* = 0$	$u_0 = u_0^* = 0$ $w_0 = \theta_2 = w_0^* = 0$
Clamped-clamped (CC)	$u_0 = u_0^* = \theta_x = \theta_x^* = 0$ $w_0 = \theta_2 = w_0^* = 0$	$u_0 = u_0^* = \theta_x = \theta_x^* = 0$ $w_0 = \theta_2 = w_0^* = 0$
Clamped-free (CF)	$u_0 = u_0^* = \theta_x = \theta_x^* = 0$ $w_0 = \theta_2 = w_0^* = 0$	All free
Pinched ring (PR)	$u_0 = u_0^* = \theta_x = \theta_x^* = 0$	$u_0 = u_0^* = \theta_x = \theta_x^* = 0$

where

$$P_c - \text{the vector of nodal concentrated loads of an element} \quad (29a)$$

$$\tilde{P} = b \left[ 0 \ p_z \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \frac{t}{2} \ p_z \ \frac{t^2}{4} \ p_z \right] \quad (29b)$$

**Table 3**  
Material data for validation experiments.

No	Details	Ref.
Data-3.1	Beam $E_1 = E_2 = E_3 = 1.2 \times 10^4 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $G_{12} = G_{23} = G_{13} = 0.5 \times 10^4 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $S = 10 \text{ in.}, b = 1 \text{ in.}, t = 1 \text{ in.}$ $\nu = 0.2$ $\rho = 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ Load: $p_z = 2.85 \text{ lb/in.}$ ; step pulse loading - $t_f = 0.013 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 8 cubic BC: CF	Bathe et al. [21]
Data-3.2	Beam $E_1 = E_2 = E_3 = 3.0 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $G_{12} = G_{23} = G_{13} = 1.4286 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $S = 20 \text{ in.}, b = 1 \text{ in.}, t = 0.125 \text{ in.}$ $\nu = 0.05$ $\rho = 2.5374 \times 10^{-4} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ Load: $p_c = 640 \text{ lb.}$ ; step pulse loading - $t_f = 0.005 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 16 cubic BC: CC	Mondkar and Powell [22]
Data-3.3	Beam $E_1 = E_2 = E_3 = 3.0 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $G_{12} = G_{23} = G_{13} = 1.1538 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $S = 30 \text{ in.}, b = 1 \text{ in.}, t = 2 \text{ in.}$ $\nu = 0.3$ $\rho = 0.733 \times 10^{-3} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ Load: $p_z = 220 \text{ lb/in.}$ ; step pulse loading - $t_f = 0.007 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 16 cubic BC: SS	Liu and Lin [23]
Data-3.4	Circular arch $E_1 = E_2 = E_3 = 1.0 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $G_{12} = G_{23} = G_{13} = 4.1667 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $S = 210.848 \text{ in.}, R = 67.115 \text{ in.}, \beta = 180^\circ$ $b = 1 \text{ in.}, t = 1 \text{ in.}$ $\nu = 0.1999$ $\rho = 2.44 \times 10^{-4} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ Load1: $p_c = 700 \text{ lb.}$ ; step pulse loading - $t_f = 0.072 \text{ s}$ Load2: $p_c = 2100 \text{ lb.}$ ; triangular pulse loading-1 $t_p = 250 \mu\text{s}; t_f = 500 \mu\text{s}$ No. of elements: 16 cubic BC: CC	Noor and Knight [8]
Data-3.5	Shallow arch $E_1 = 40 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2, E_2 = E_3 = 1.0 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $G_{12} = G_{13} = 0.6 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2, G_{23} = 0.5 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ $S = 20 \text{ in.}, R = 100 \text{ in.}, \beta = 11.45916^\circ$ $b = 1 \text{ in.}, t = 2 \text{ in.}$ $\nu = 0.25$ $\rho = 1.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ Load: sinusoidal load with central amplitude $p_z = 50 \text{ lb/in.}$ ; Triangular pulse loading-2 with $t_f = 0.005 \text{ s}$ , Sine pulse loading with $t_f = 0.005 \text{ s}$ , Step pulse loading with $t_f = 0.005 \text{ s}$ , Blast loading with $\delta = 660 \text{ s}^{-1}, t_f = 0.005 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 8 cubic BC: CC Lamination - [0/90] <sub>6</sub> for sine pulse loading; for all others [0/90/0]	Khdeir and Reddy [12]

**Table 4**  
Material data for HOAM experiments.

Material data – sandwich	
Face: Graphite/Epoxy	Chen and Sun [24] $E_x = 120.11 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.1742 \times 10^8 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $E_y = E_z = 7.9083 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.1147 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $G_{xy} = G_{yz} = G_{xz} = 5.5041 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.7983 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $kG_{xy} = kG_{yz} = kG_{xz} = 4.5871 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.6653 \times 10^6 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $\rho_f = 0.1433 \times 10^{-3} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ $\nu_f = 0.3$
Core: Aluminium honeycomb (0.25 in cell size, 0.007 in foil)	Allen [25] $E_x = E_y = E_z = G_{xy} = \nu_c = 0$ . $G_{yz} = 70.395 \text{ MPa}$ ( $0.1021 \times 10^5 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $G_{xz} = 140.79 \text{ MPa}$ ( $0.2042 \times 10^5 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $kG_{yz} = 58.661 \text{ MPa}$ ( $0.8508 \times 10^4 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $kG_{xz} = 117.35 \text{ MPa}$ ( $0.1702 \times 10^5 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $\rho_c = 0.3098 \times 10^{-5} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ $t_c/t_f = 8$
Material data – composite	Reddy[26] $E_x = 525.38 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.762 \times 10^8 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $E_y = E_z = 21.015 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.3048 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $G_{xy} = G_{yz} = G_{xz} = 10.508 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.1524 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $kG_{xy} = kG_{yz} = kG_{xz} = 8.7563 \text{ GPa}$ ( $0.127 \times 10^7 \text{ lb/in.}^2$ ) $\rho = 0.72567 \times 10^{-4} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{in.}^4$ $\nu = 0.25$
Data-4.1	Circular arch Material data – sandwich $S = 7979.6 \text{ mm}$ ( $314.1593 \text{ in.}$ ) $R = 2540 \text{ mm}$ ( $100 \text{ in.}$ ) $\beta = 180^\circ$ $b = 25.4 \text{ mm}$ ( $1 \text{ in.}$ ) Load: $p_c = 444.82 \text{ N}$ ( $100 \text{ lb}$ ); step pulse loading – $t_f = 0.02 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 16 cubic BC: CC Lamination: [0/30/45/60/core/60/45/30/0] Aspect ratios: 5, 10, 15, and 25
Data-4.2	Pinched ring Material data – sandwich $S$ (of quarter ring) = $197.62 \text{ mm}$ ( $7.7802 \text{ in.}$ ) $R = 125.81 \text{ mm}$ ( $4.953 \text{ in.}$ ) $\beta = 90^\circ$ $b = 25.4 \text{ mm}$ ( $1 \text{ in.}$ ) Load: $p_c = 444.82 \text{ N}$ ( $100 \text{ lb}$ ); load on quarter ring = $222.41 \text{ N}$ ( $50 \text{ lb}$ ); Step pulse loading – $t_f = 0.025 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 8 cubic BC: PR Lamination: [0/90/core/0/90] Aspect ratios: 5, 10, 15, and 25
Data-4.3	Cantilever quarter arch Material data – composite $S = 2677.7696 \text{ mm}$ ( $105.424 \text{ in.}$ ) $R = 1704.721 \text{ mm}$ ( $67.115 \text{ in.}$ ) $\beta = 90^\circ$ $b = 25.4 \text{ mm}$ ( $1 \text{ in.}$ ) Load: $p_c = 3336.15 \text{ N}$ ( $750 \text{ lb}$ ); step pulse loading – $t_f = 0.07 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 8 cubic BC: CF Lamination: [30/-30/30] Aspect ratios: 5, 10, 15, and 25
Data-4.4	Shallow arch Material data – composite $S = 892.59156 \text{ mm}$ ( $35.1414 \text{ in.}$ ) $R = 1704.721 \text{ mm}$ ( $67.115 \text{ in.}$ ) $\beta = 30^\circ$ $b = 25.4 \text{ mm}$ ( $1 \text{ in.}$ ) Load: $p_z = 455 \text{ lb/in.}$ ; step pulse loading – $t_f = 0.004 \text{ s}$ No. of elements: 16 cubic BC: SS Lamination: [0/45/-45/90] Aspect ratios: 5, 10, 15, and 25

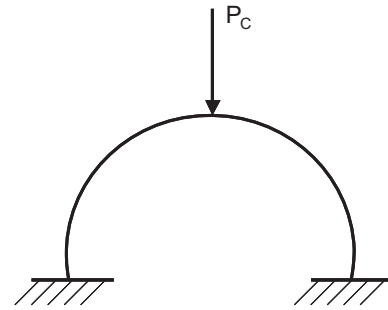


Fig. 2a. Circular arch with central load.

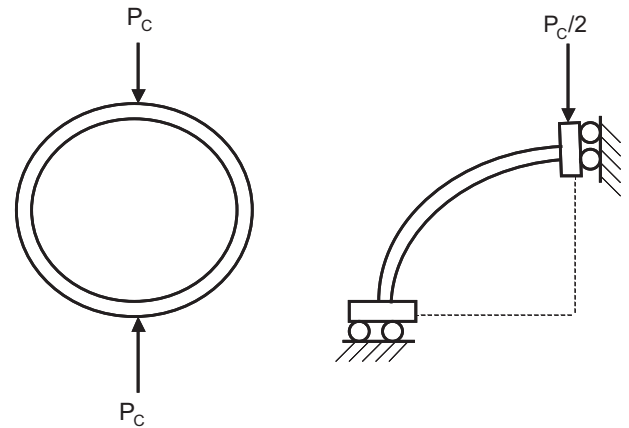


Fig. 2b. Pinched ring and its quarter model.

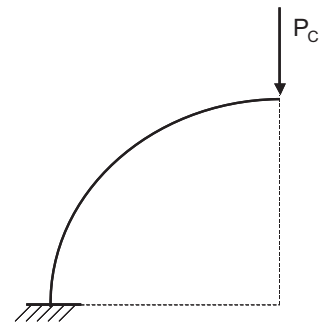


Fig. 2c. Quarter arch with tip load.

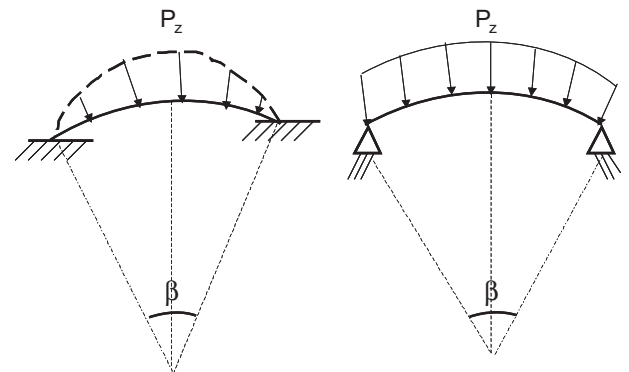


Fig. 2d. Shallow arch with sinusoidal and uniformly distributed load.

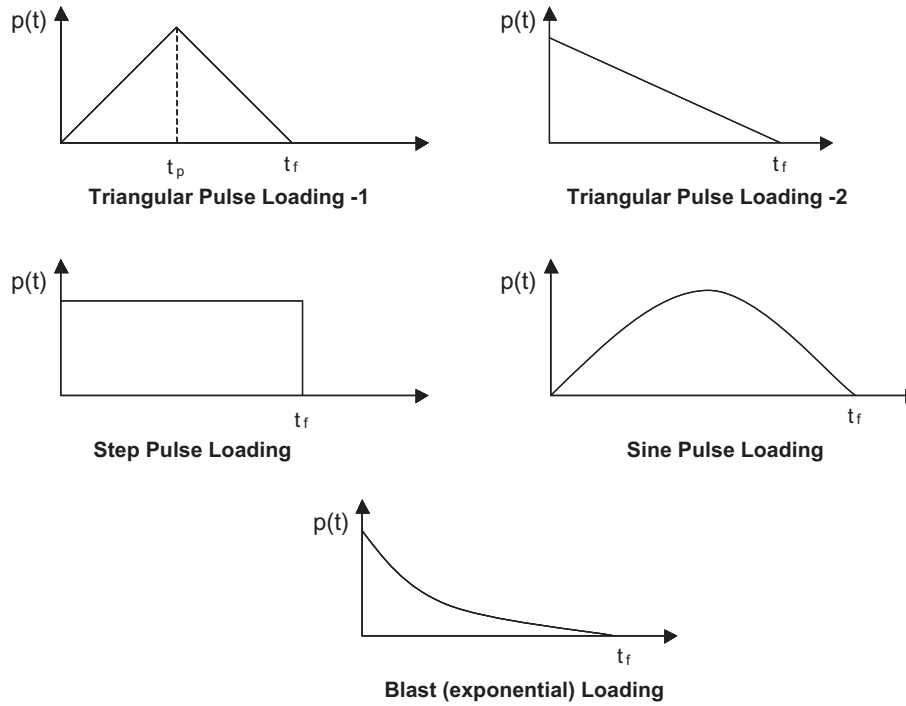


Fig. 3. Temporal variation of dynamic load.

$p_z$  – uniformly distributed transverse load or (29c)

$p_z$  – central amplitude of sinusoidal load (29d)

$p(t)$  – temporal variation of the forcing function as given in Table1 (29e)

4. Solution to equation of dynamic equilibrium

The equation of dynamic equilibrium Eq. (28) with damping can be expressed in an incremental form as

$$M\Delta a + C\Delta v + K\Delta d = \Delta F \tag{30}$$

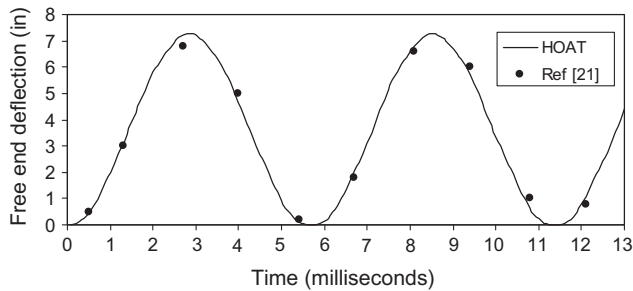


Fig. 4. Transient response of a cantilever beam (Data-3.1).

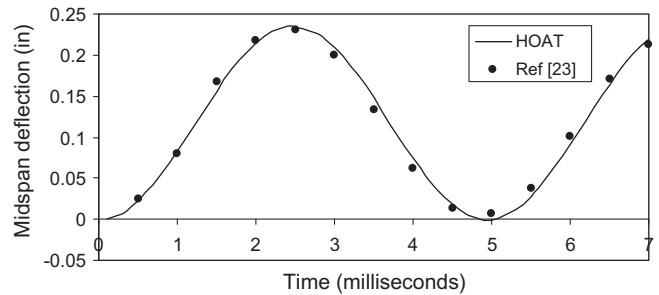


Fig. 6. Transient response of SS beam (Data-3.3).

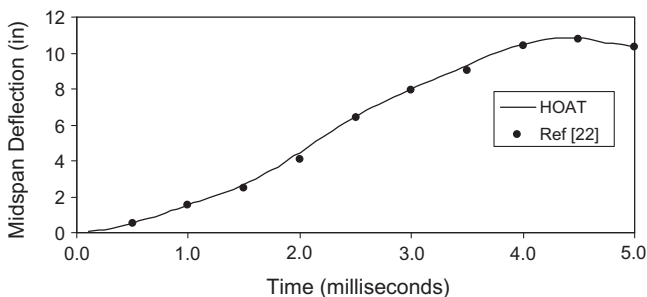


Fig. 5. Transient response of a clamped beam (Data-3.2).

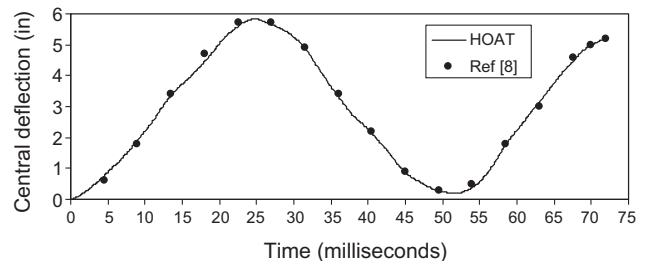


Fig. 7. Transient response of a clamped semi-circular arch with step loading (Data-3.4).

where

$$\Delta a = (a_{n+1} - a_n) = (\ddot{d}_{n+1} - \ddot{d}_n) \tag{30a}$$

$$\Delta v = (v_{n+1} - v_n) = (\dot{d}_{n+1} - \dot{d}_n) \tag{30b}$$

$$\Delta d = (d_{n+1} - d_n) \tag{30c}$$

$$\Delta F = (F_{n+1} - F_n) \tag{30d}$$

and the subscript  $n + 1$  and  $n$  represent quantities at time  $t_{n+1}$  and  $t_n$  respectively. The solution to this equation through Newmark Beta method [20] can be obtained as

$$v_{n+1} = v_n + (1 - \gamma)a_n\Delta t + \gamma a_{n+1}\Delta t \tag{31}$$

$$d_{n+1} = d_n + v_n\Delta t + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \beta\right)a_n\Delta t^2 + \beta a_{n+1}\Delta t^2 \tag{32}$$

where  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  are the parameters adopted in Newmark's method and  $\Delta t = t_{n+1} - t_n$ .

Eqs. (31) and (32) can be expressed in incremental form as

$$\Delta v = (1 - \gamma)a_n\Delta t + \gamma a_{n+1}\Delta t \tag{33}$$

$$\Delta d = v_n\Delta t + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \beta\right)a_n\Delta t^2 + \beta a_{n+1}\Delta t^2 \tag{34}$$

Substituting Eqs. (33), (34) and (30a) in Eq. (30), one gets

$$\begin{aligned} M\Delta a + C[(1 - \gamma)a_n\Delta t + \gamma a_{n+1}\Delta t + \gamma\Delta a\Delta t] + K[v_n\Delta t \\ + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \beta\right)a_n\Delta t^2 + \beta a_{n+1}\Delta t^2 + \beta\Delta a\Delta t^2] \\ = \Delta F \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

which after rearranging terms becomes,

$$\bar{M}\Delta a = \Delta \bar{F} \tag{36}$$

where

$$\bar{M} = [M + C\gamma\Delta t + K\beta\Delta t^2] \tag{36a}$$

$$\Delta \bar{F} = \left[ \Delta F - C a_n \Delta t - \left( v_n \Delta t + a_n \frac{\Delta t^2}{2} \right) K \right] \tag{36b}$$

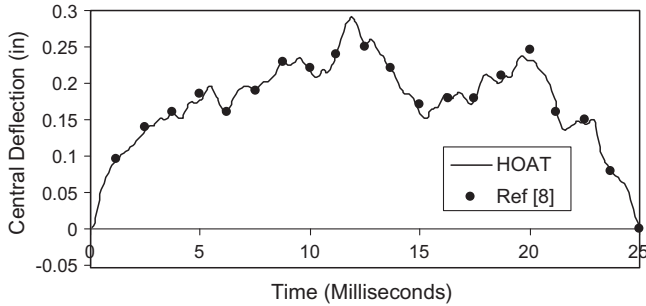


Fig. 8. Transient response of a clamped semi-circular arch with triangular loading (Data-3.4).

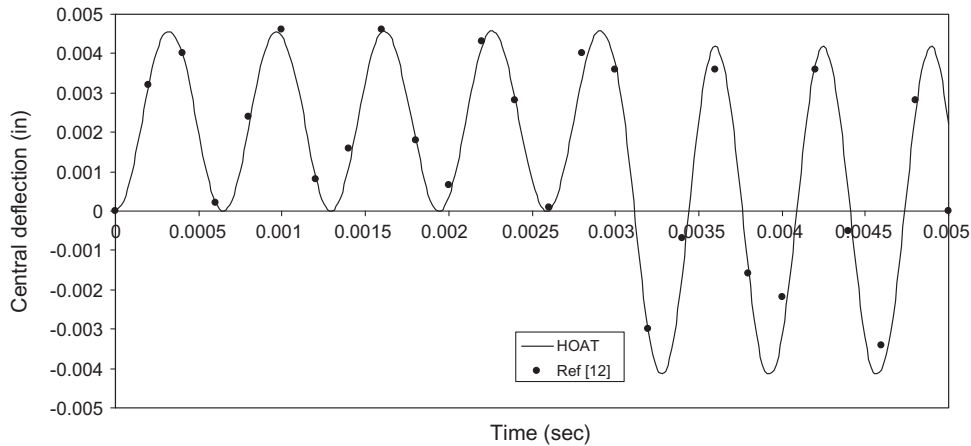


Fig. 9. Transient response of shallow arch to step pulse (Data-3.5).

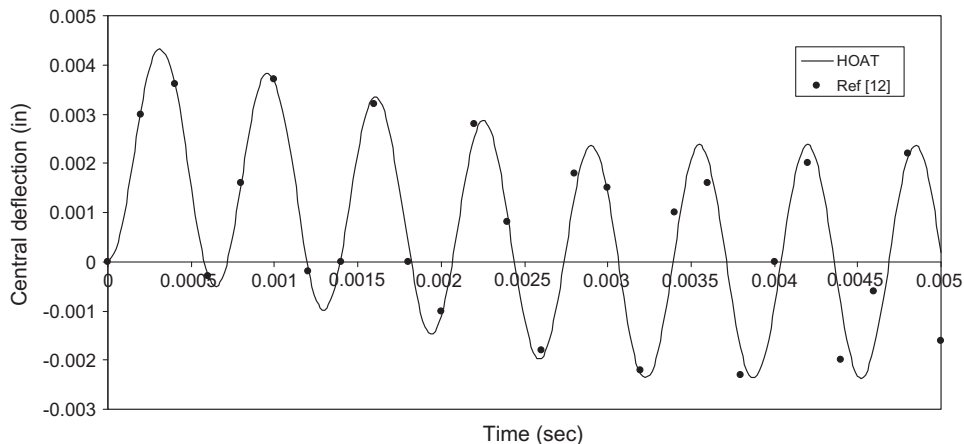


Fig. 10. Transient response of a shallow arch to triangular pulse (Data-3.5).

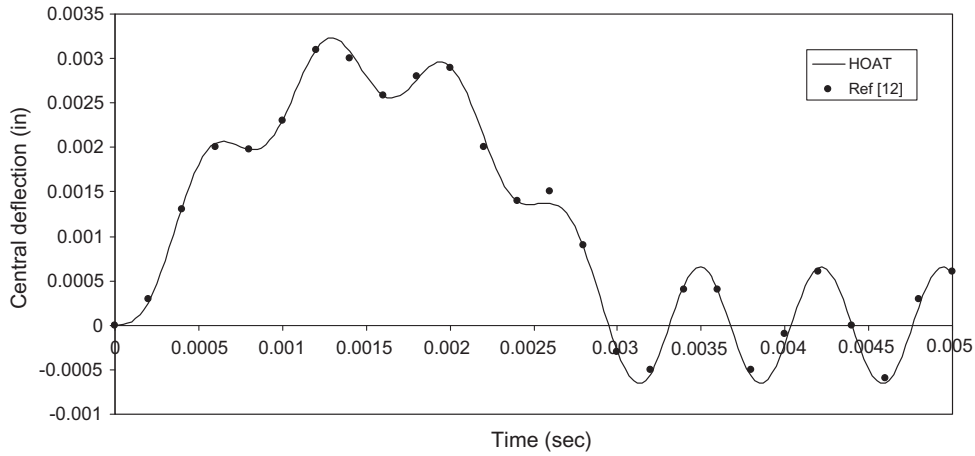


Fig. 11. Transient response of a shallow arch to sine pulse (Data-3.5).

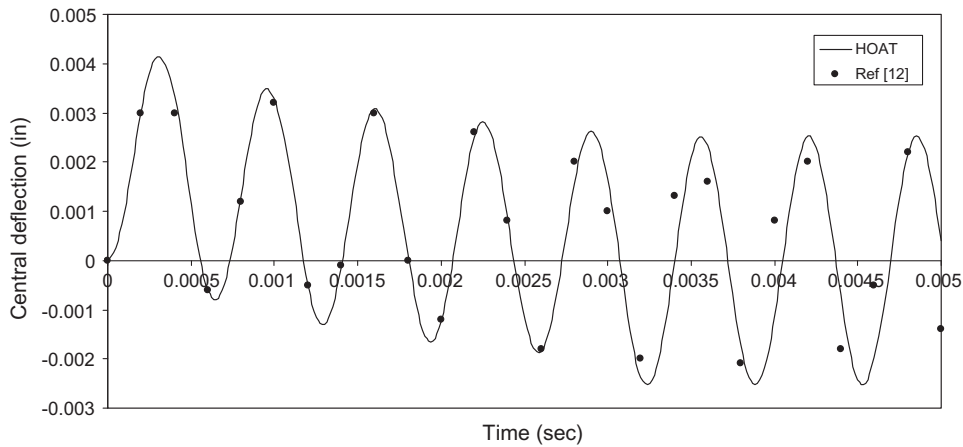


Fig. 12. Transient response of a shallow arch to blast loading (Data-3.5).

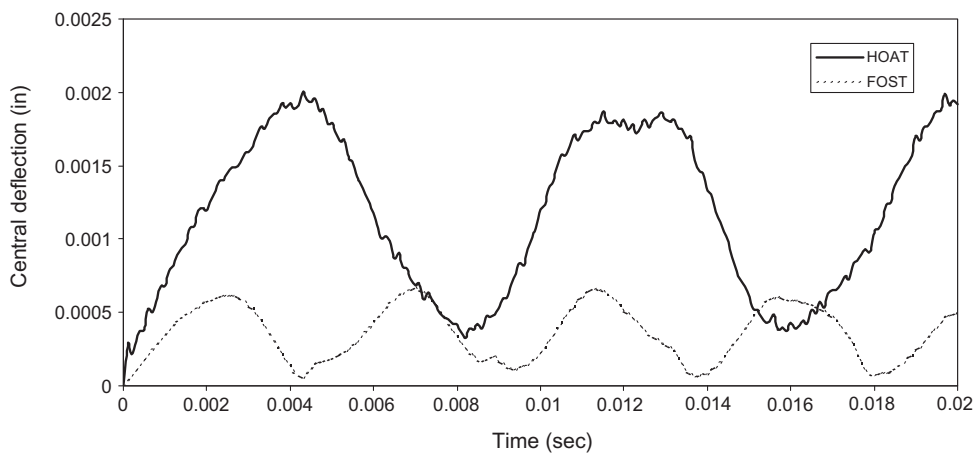


Fig. 13. Response of a circular arch –  $S/t = 5$  (Data-4.1).

Here, Eq. (36) can be solved for  $\Delta a$  and current acceleration –  $a_{n+1}$  – can be computed using Eq. (30a). With the acceleration at current time step and Eqs. (33) and (34),  $\Delta v$  and  $\Delta d$  can be evaluated. The current velocity and displacement –  $v_{n+1}$  and  $d_{n+1}$  – can then be estimated from Eq. (30b) and (30c).

### 5. Numerical experiments

Numerical experiments have been carried out to study the performance of HOAM. This model is first validated through solving problems available in the literature and later its performance is



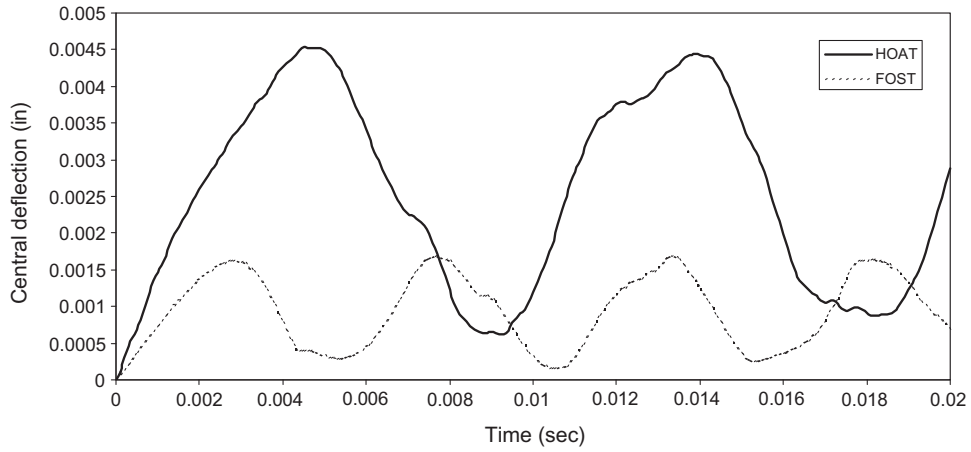


Fig. 14. Response of a circular arch –  $S/t = 10$  (Data-4.1).

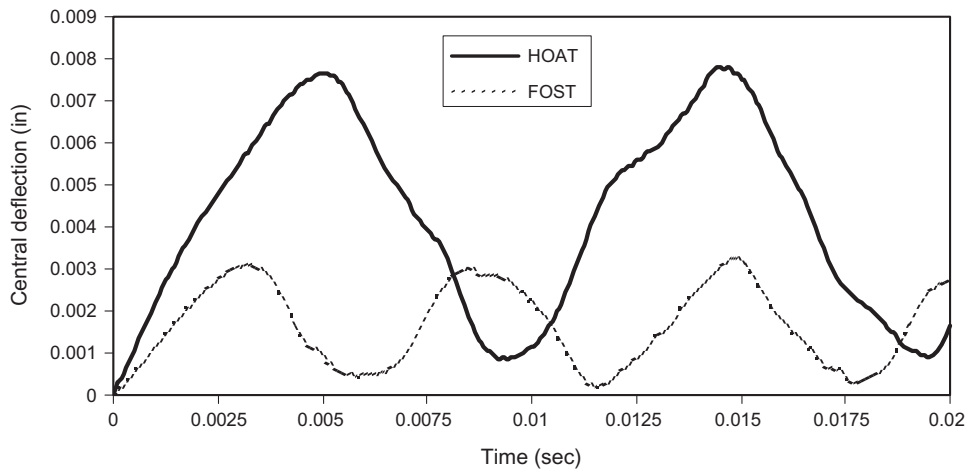


Fig. 15. Response of a circular arch –  $S/t = 15$  (Data-4.1).

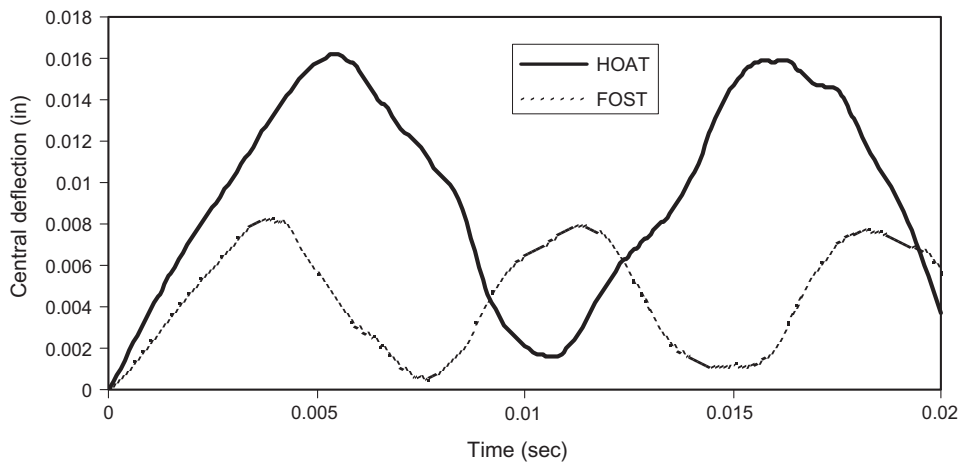


Fig. 16. Response of a circular arch –  $S/t = 25$  (Data-4.1).

studied for various material and geometric conditions. For all the problems solved, various details such as material properties, lamination schemes, loading and end conditions are given in Tables 2–4 as well in Figs. 2 and 3.

5.1. Validation experiments

Few beam and arch problems are taken up first, in order to validate the proposed model.

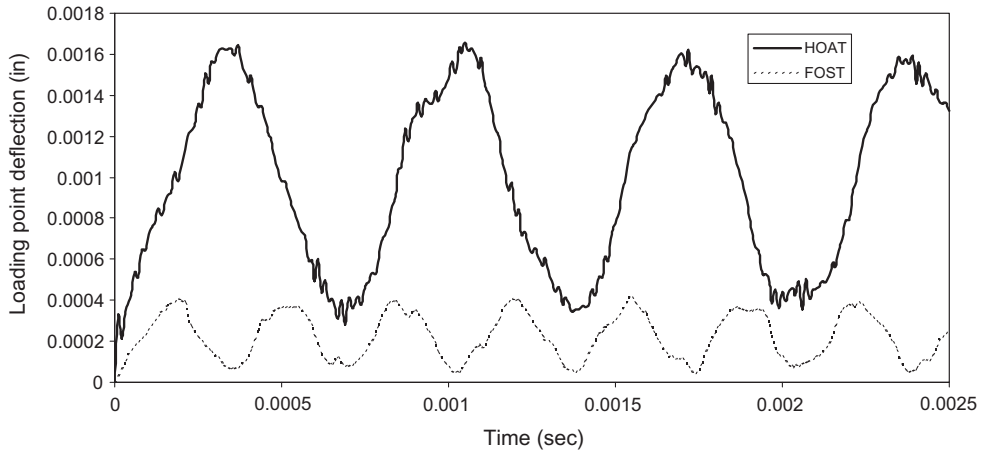


Fig. 17. Response of a pinched ring –  $S/t = 5$  (Data-4.2).

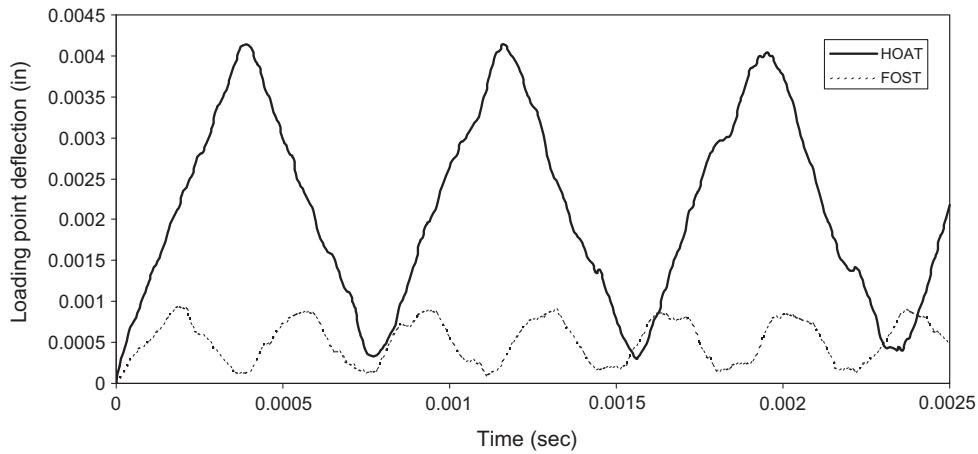


Fig. 18. Response of a pinched ring –  $S/t = 10$  (Data-4.2).

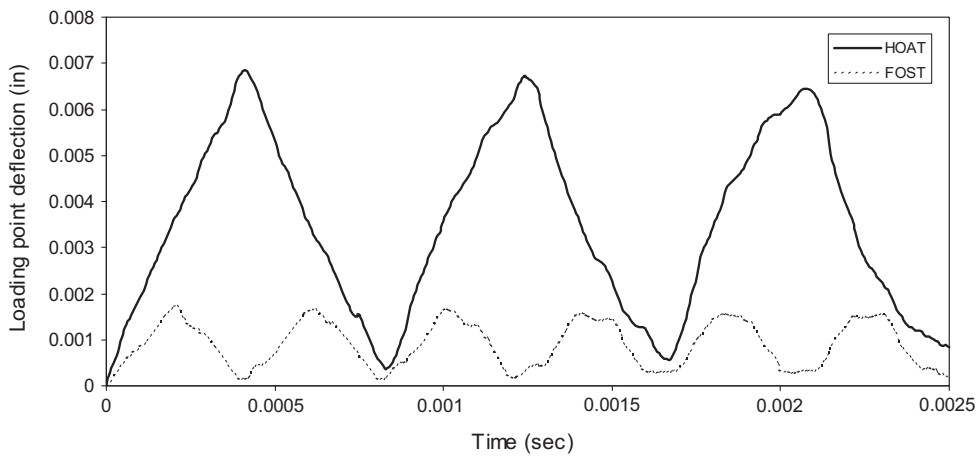


Fig. 19. Response of a pinched ring –  $S/t = 15$  (Data-4.2).

A cantilever beam of Bathe et al. [21] subjected to uniformly distributed load, a clamped beam of Mondkar and Powell [22] with a central concentrated load and a simply supported beam of Liu and Lin [23] with uniformly distributed load are analyzed with HOAM and the results are presented in (Figs. 4–6). The close corre-

lation between the earlier results and those of present model can be seen from these plots.

Next, a semi-circular arch of Noor and Knight [8] with a step pulse load and a triangular pulse loading is studied and the results of HOAT are presented in Figs. 7 and 8. Here also, close correlation

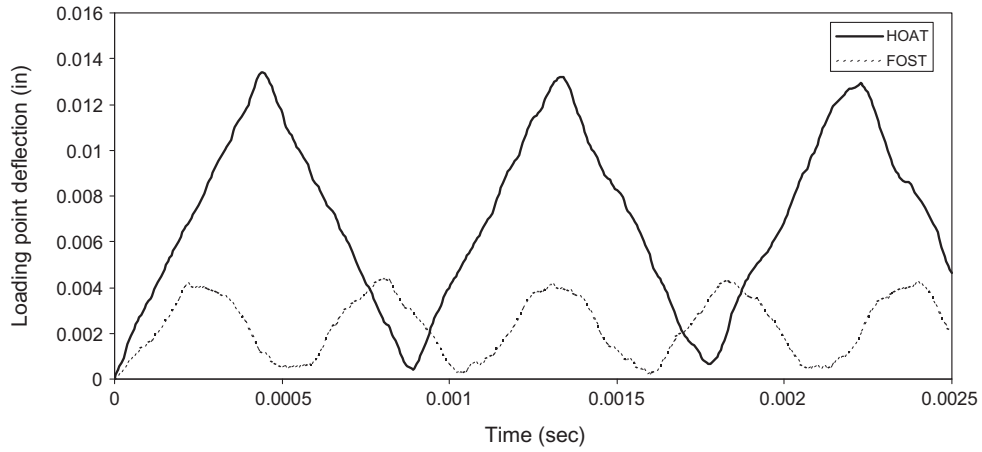


Fig. 20. Response of a pinched ring –  $S/t = 25$  (Data-4.2).

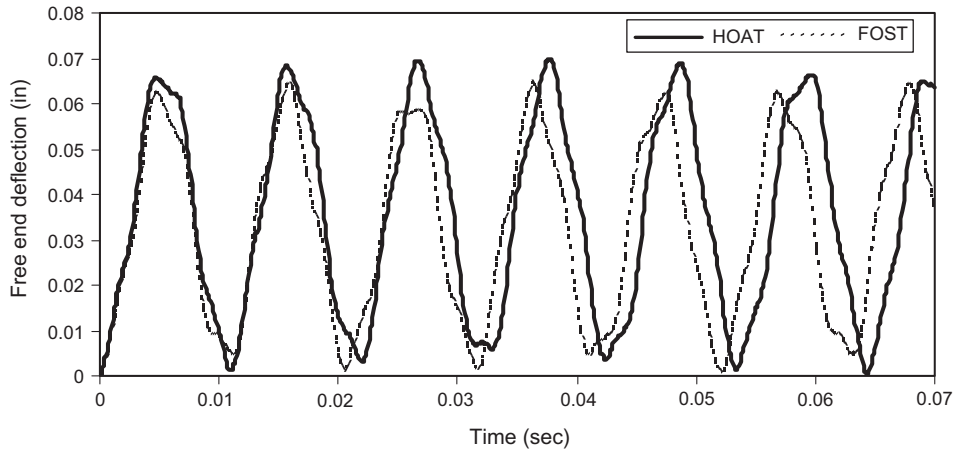


Fig. 21. Response of a quarter arch –  $S/t = 5$  (Data-4.3).

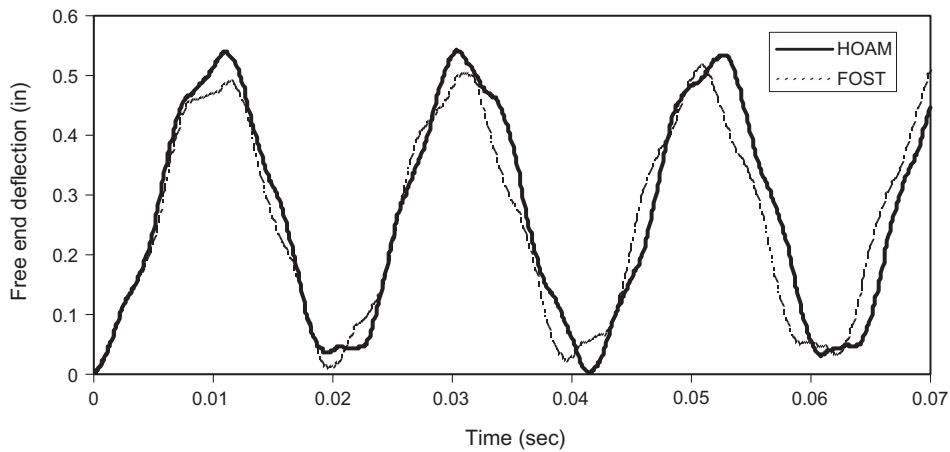


Fig. 22. Response of a quarter arch –  $S/t = 10$  (Data-4.3).

between the current model and those of Noor and Knight can be observed.

A shallow cross-ply arch subjected to varieties of dynamic loadings, studied by Khdeir and Reddy [12] is analyzed by HOAM and its close correlation with the earlier results can be seen in Figs. 9–12.

Thus, with the correlations established with arches of varying curvature, aspect ratios, end conditions, material properties and

transient dynamic loadings, the accuracy and adequacy of HOAM are validated in this section.

### 5.2. Higher order arch model (HOAM) experiments

A circular clamped arch with sandwich material and central concentrated load (Data-4.1) is analyzed with HOAM and first

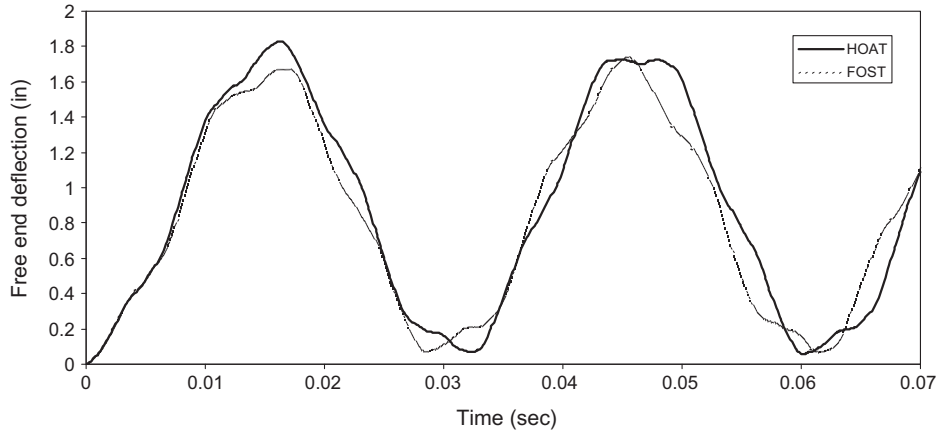


Fig. 23. Response of a quarter arch –  $S/t = 15$  (Data-4.3).

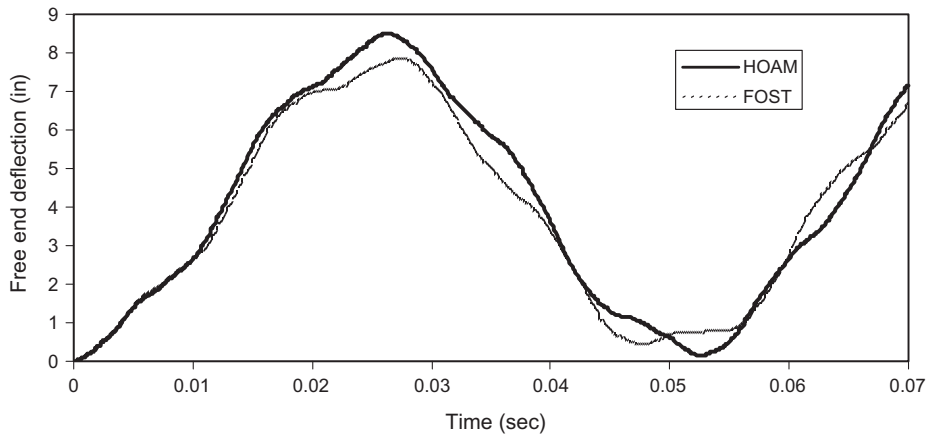


Fig. 24. Response of a quarter arch –  $S/t = 25$  (Data-4.3).

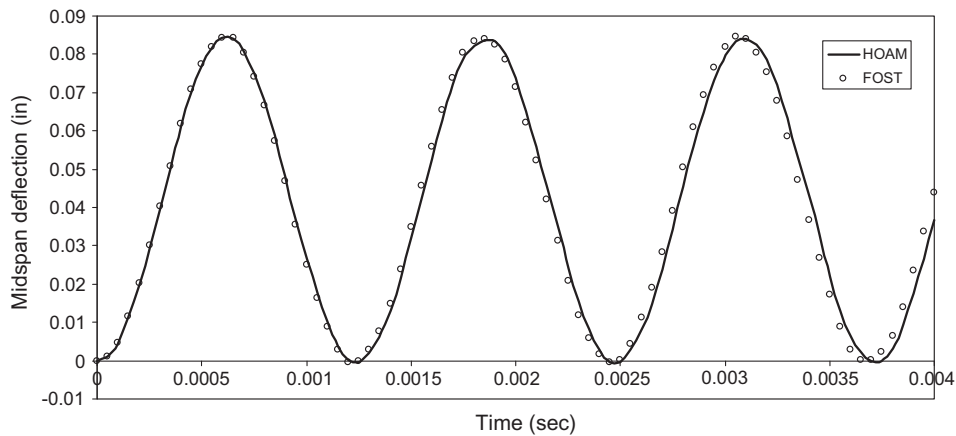


Fig. 25. Response of a shallow arch –  $S/t = 5$  (Data-4.4).

order shear theory (FOST) for various aspect ratios of 5, 10, 15 and 25. The results are presented in Figs. 13–16.

In the case of thick arch of aspect ratio of five, it can be seen that deformations of HOAM are roughly four times than that of FOST and the period of the former is twice as much that of the latter.

A similar significant order of difference, both for deformations as well as the period, can be observed for higher aspect ratios as well.

Next, a pinched ring with unsymmetric sandwich material (Data-4.2) is studied for various aspect ratios as shown in Figs. 17–20. In this case also, deformations of HOAM are almost four

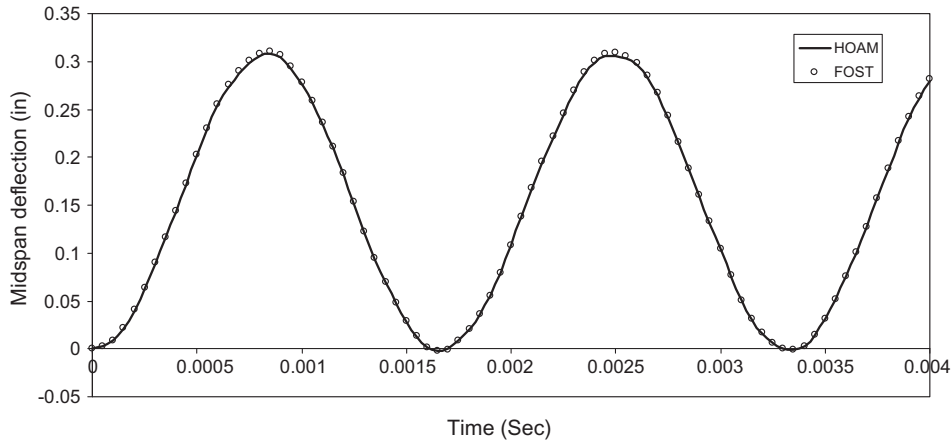


Fig. 26. Response of a shallow arch –  $S/t = 10$  (Data-4.4).

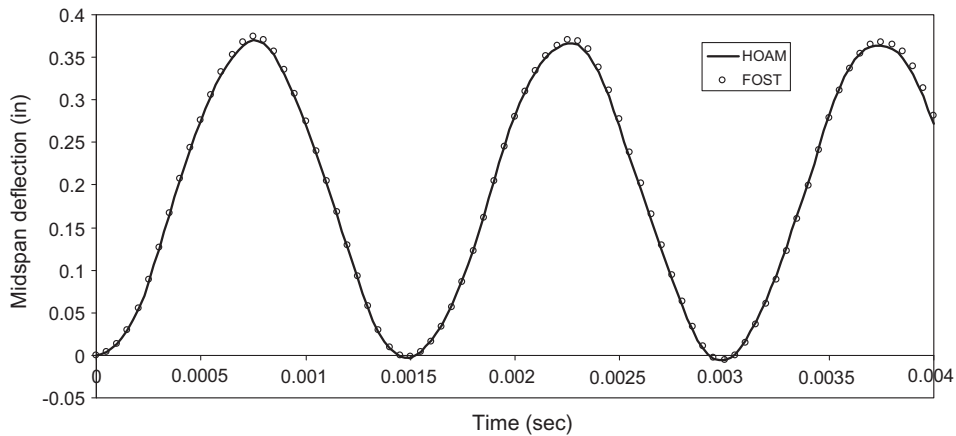


Fig. 27. Response of a shallow arch –  $S/t = 15$  (Data-4.4).

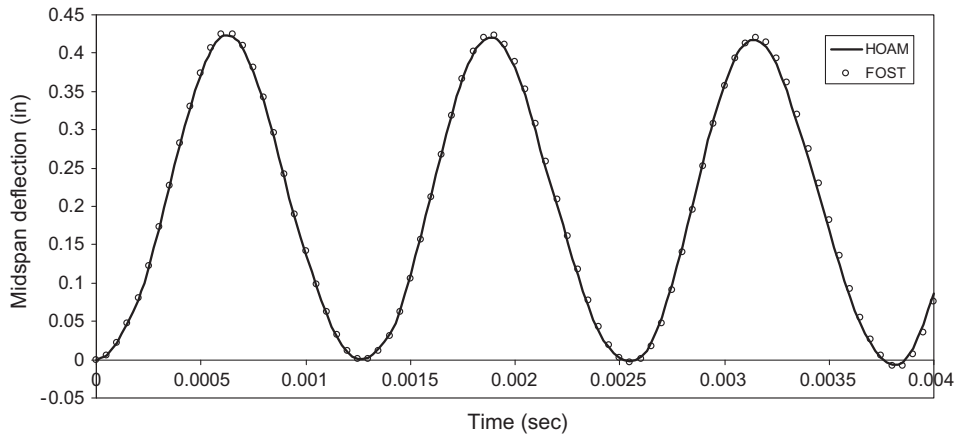


Fig. 28. Response of a shallow arch –  $S/t = 5$  (Data-4.4).

times those of the FOST. The period of HOAM is twice than that of FOST, for all aspect ratios considered.

Composite structures are taken up next. A quarter arch with symmetric lamination (Data-4.3) with a tip load is analyzed for various aspect ratios as shown in Figs. 21–24. In this case, the

deformations as well as the period of HOAM and FOST are quite close, with HOAM being slightly more flexible.

A composite shallow arch (Data-4.4) with uniformly distributed load is analyzed with the proposed model. The results for multiple aspect ratios are plotted in Figs. 25–28. It can be seen

that both HOAM and FOST predict identical results, from deep to thin arches.

**6. Conclusions**

A higher order model with isoparametric elements, which incorporates transverse shear and normal strain components, is presented in this paper for studying the transient dynamic response of laminated arches. The proposed model can study shallow to deep and thin to thick arch geometries with different end conditions and loadings quite effectively. Through the constitutive relationship, adapted from the three dimensional stress–strain relationship of an orthotropic lamina, even angle-ply laminates can be analyzed using one-dimensional elements. With the consistent mass matrix, governing equation of motion is solved through Newmark time marching scheme. The model is first validated with the available results in open literature and evaluated later for various arch geometries, laminations, and boundary as well as loading conditions and compared with the first order theory. It emerges from the numerical experiments that the proposed model is quite effective for deep sandwich constructions and performs as good as first order theory for laminated composite structures.

**Appendix A**

The stress–strain relationship at a point of an orthotropic lamina in a three-dimensional state of stress/strain can be expressed [17], along the lamina axes (Fig. 29) as

$$\sigma' = D\varepsilon' \tag{A1}$$

where

$$\sigma' = [\sigma_1 \ \sigma_2 \ \sigma_3 \ \tau_{12} \ \tau_{23} \ \tau_{13}] \tag{A2}$$

$$\varepsilon' = [\varepsilon_1 \ \varepsilon_2 \ \varepsilon_3 \ \gamma_{12} \ \gamma_{23} \ \gamma_{13}] \tag{A3}$$

$$D = \frac{1}{\Delta} \begin{bmatrix} E_1(1 - \nu_{23}\nu_{32}) & E_1(\nu_{21} + \nu_{31}\nu_{23}) & E_1(\nu_{31} + \nu_{21}\nu_{32}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_2(\nu_{12} + \nu_{13}\nu_{32}) & E_2(1 - \nu_{13}\nu_{31}) & E_2(\nu_{32} + \nu_{12}\nu_{31}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ E_3(\nu_{13} + \nu_{12}\nu_{23}) & E_3(\nu_{23} + \nu_{21}\nu_{13}) & E_3(1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \Delta G_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \Delta G_{23} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \Delta G_{13} \end{bmatrix} \tag{A4}$$

$$\Delta = (1 - \nu_{12}\nu_{21} - \nu_{23}\nu_{32} - \nu_{31}\nu_{13} - 2\nu_{12}\nu_{23}\nu_{31}) \tag{A5}$$

The relation between engineering and tensor strain vectors, along lamina and laminate axes, can be given as

$$\varepsilon' = R\varepsilon_{ts}' \tag{A6}$$

$$\varepsilon^\circ = R\varepsilon_{ts}^\circ \tag{A7}$$

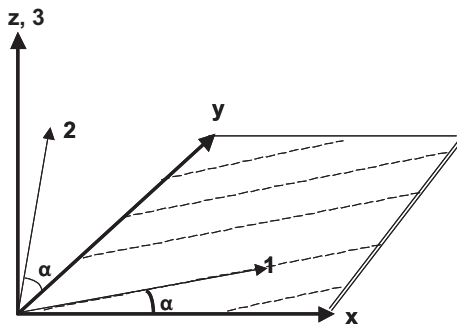


Fig. 29. Axis system – 1–3: Lamina axes; x, y, z: laminate axes.

where

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{A8}$$

If the angle between lamina and laminate axes can be defined as  $\alpha$ , then the lamina to laminate axis transformation is given by,

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & s^2 & 0 & 2sc & 0 & 0 \\ s^2 & c^2 & 0 & -2sc & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -sc & sc & 0 & (c^2 - s^2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & c & -s \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & s & c \end{bmatrix} \tag{A9}$$

where

$$c = \cos \alpha \tag{A10}$$

$$s = \sin \alpha$$

and the stress and strain along the lamina and laminate axes can be equated as

$$\sigma' = T\sigma^\circ \tag{A11}$$

$$\varepsilon'_{ts} = T\varepsilon_{ts}^\circ \tag{A12}$$

By making use of Eqs. (A6)–(A12), one can get the laminate stress–strain relationship as

$$\sigma^\circ = Q\varepsilon^\circ \tag{A13}$$

where

$$Q = T^{-1}D(T^{-1})^t \tag{A14}$$

$$(T^{-1})^t = RTR^{-1} \tag{A15}$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{11} & Q_{12} & Q_{13} & Q_{14} & 0 & 0 \\ Q_{21} & Q_{22} & Q_{23} & Q_{24} & 0 & 0 \\ Q_{31} & Q_{32} & Q_{33} & Q_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ Q_{41} & Q_{42} & Q_{43} & Q_{44} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_{55} & Q_{56} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_{65} & Q_{66} \end{bmatrix} \tag{A16}$$

$$Q_{11} = D_{11}c^4 + 2(D_{12} + 2D_{44})s^2c^2 + D_{22}s^4 \tag{A17}$$

$$Q_{12} = D_{12}(s^4 + c^4) + (D_{11} + D_{22} - 4D_{44})s^2c^2 \tag{A18}$$

$$Q_{13} = D_{31}c^2 + D_{32}s^2 \tag{A19}$$

$$Q_{14} = (D_{11} - D_{12} - 2D_{44})sc^3 + (D_{12} - D_{22} + 2D_{44})s^3c \tag{A20}$$

$$Q_{22} = D_{11}s^4 + 2(D_{12} + 2D_{44})s^2c^2 + D_{22}c^4 \tag{A21}$$

$$Q_{23} = D_{13}s^2 + D_{23}c^2 \tag{A22}$$

$$Q_{24} = (D_{11} - D_{12} - 2D_{44})s^3c + (D_{12} - D_{22} + 2D_{44})sc^3 \tag{A23}$$

$$Q_{33} = D_{33} \quad (\text{A24})$$

$$Q_{34} = (D_{13} - D_{23})SC \quad (\text{A25})$$

$$Q_{44} = (D_{11} - 2D_{12} + D_{22} - 2D_{44})S^2C^2 + D_{44}(C^4 + S^4) \quad (\text{A26})$$

$$Q_{55} = D_{55}C^2 + D_{66}S^2 \quad (\text{A27})$$

$$Q_{56} = (D_{66} - D_{55})SC \quad (\text{A28})$$

$$Q_{66} = D_{55}S^2 + D_{66}C^2 \quad (\text{A29})$$

## Appendix B

$$\Phi = (Q_{22}Q_{44} - Q_{24}^2) \quad (\text{B1})$$

$$C_{11} = Q_{11} + \frac{Q_{12}}{\Phi}(Q_{14}Q_{24} - Q_{12}Q_{44}) + \frac{Q_{14}}{\Phi}(Q_{12}Q_{24} - Q_{14}Q_{22}) \quad (\text{B2})$$

$$C_{12} = Q_{13} + \frac{Q_{12}}{\Phi}(Q_{24}Q_{34} - Q_{23}Q_{44}) + \frac{Q_{14}}{\Phi}(Q_{23}Q_{24} - Q_{22}Q_{34}) \quad (\text{B3})$$

$$C_{21} = Q_{13} + \frac{Q_{23}}{\Phi}(Q_{14}Q_{24} - Q_{12}Q_{44}) + \frac{Q_{34}}{\Phi}(Q_{12}Q_{24} - Q_{14}Q_{22}) \quad (\text{B4})$$

$$C_{22} = Q_{33} + \frac{Q_{23}}{\Phi}(Q_{24}Q_{34} - Q_{23}Q_{44}) + \frac{Q_{34}}{\Phi}(Q_{23}Q_{24} - Q_{22}Q_{34}) \quad (\text{B5})$$

$$C_{33} = Q_{66} - \frac{Q_{56}^2}{Q_{55}} \quad (\text{B6})$$

## Appendix C

Using binomial series, the following terms can be expanded as

$$\frac{1}{(1+z/R)} = 1 - \frac{z}{R} + \frac{z^2}{R^2} - \frac{z^3}{R^3} \quad (\text{C1})$$

$$\frac{1}{(1+z/R)^2} = 1 - \frac{2z}{R} + \frac{3z^2}{R^2} - \frac{4z^3}{R^3} \quad (\text{C2})$$

which are used in the evaluation of various  $D$  matrices.

$$D_{aa} = b \int Z_a C_{11} Z_a^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{11} \begin{bmatrix} H_1 - \frac{2}{R}H_2 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_3 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_4 & H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 \\ H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 & H_5 - \frac{2}{R}H_6 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_7 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C3})$$

$$D_{ab} = b \int Z_a C_{11} Z_b^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{11} \begin{bmatrix} H_2 - \frac{2}{R}H_3 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_4 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_5 & H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 \\ H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 & H_6 - \frac{2}{R}H_7 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_8 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_9 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C4})$$

$$D_{ba} = D_{ab}$$

$$D_{bb} = b \int Z_b C_{11} Z_b^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{11} \begin{bmatrix} H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 & H_5 - \frac{2}{R}H_6 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_7 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_8 \\ H_5 - \frac{2}{R}H_6 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_7 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_8 & H_7 - \frac{2}{R}H_8 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_9 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_{10} \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C5})$$

$$D_{at} = b \int Z_a C_{12} Z_t^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{12} \begin{bmatrix} H_1 - \frac{2}{R}H_2 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_3 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_4 & H_2 - \frac{2}{R}H_3 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_4 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_5 \\ H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 & H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C6})$$

$$D_{bt} = b \int Z_b C_{12} Z_t^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{12} \begin{bmatrix} H_2 - \frac{2}{R}H_3 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_4 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_5 & H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 \\ H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 & H_5 - \frac{2}{R}H_6 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_7 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C7})$$

$$D_{ta} = b \int Z_t C_{21} Z_a^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{21} \begin{bmatrix} H_1 - \frac{2}{R}H_2 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_3 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_4 & H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 \\ H_2 - \frac{2}{R}H_3 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_4 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_5 & H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C8})$$

$$D_{tb} = b \int Z_t C_{21} Z_b^t dz$$

$$= b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{21} \begin{bmatrix} H_2 - \frac{2}{R}H_3 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_4 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_5 & H_4 - \frac{2}{R}H_5 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_6 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_7 \\ H_3 - \frac{2}{R}H_4 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_5 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_6 & H_5 - \frac{2}{R}H_6 + \frac{3}{R^2}H_7 - \frac{4}{R^3}H_8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C9})$$

$$D_{tt} = b \int Z_t C_{22} Z_t^t dz = b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{22} \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & H_2 \\ H_2 & H_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C10})$$

$$D_{ss} = b \int Z_s C_{33} Z_s^t dz = b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} C_{33} \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & H_3 & H_2 & H_4 \\ & H_5 & H_4 & H_6 \\ & & H_3 & H_5 \\ \text{sym} & & & H_7 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C11})$$

$$\bar{m} = b \sum_{l=1}^{NL} \rho_l \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & 0 & H_2 & H_3 & H_4 & 0 & 0 \\ & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & H_2 & H_3 \\ & & H_3 & H_4 & H_5 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & H_5 & H_6 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & H_7 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & H_3 & H_4 \\ \text{sym} & & & & & & H_5 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{C12})$$

In Eqs. (C3)–(C12), for a given layer  $l$ ,

$$H_k = \frac{1}{k} (h_l^k - h_{l-1}^k) \quad (\text{C13})$$

where

NL = total number of layers of a cross-section

$k$  = constant varying from 1 to 10

$h_l$  = distance from the neutral axis to the top of a layer,  $l$

$h_{l-1}$  = distance from the neutral axis to the top of layer  $l-1$  or bottom of layer  $l$

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