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ABSTRACT

This paper communicates an analytical study on computing the natural frequencies and in-plane deflections caused by static forces in the panel walls using Euler-Bernoulli, Timoshenko, Timoshenko and Goodier, Couple-stress, and Micropolar-Cosserat theory. The study highlights the formulation of the transfer matrix via the state-space method in the spatial domain; from coupled governing equations of motion that arises from the Micropolar-Cosserat theory. This theory captures the novel curvature of edges and moments of the panels at energy density level due to its unique feature of asymmetric shear stresses; that emphasizes the loss of ellipticity of governing equations. The analytical solution of the Micropolar-Cosserat theory yield appropriate results compared to plane-stress simulation of the panels using finite element analysis.

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1. Introduction

Due to its lightweight, panel walls are used as an effective alternative to the conventional bricks walls. Infill panel walls provide a degree of thermal insulation, acoustic insulation, weather resistance, improve the appearance of buildings, and support the cladding system (Lawson et al., 2001); however, it does not carry any static floor load. Panel walls are subjected to the lateral load during an earthquake. In this paper, the in-plane static and dynamic characteristics of homogeneous panels have been analytically evaluated. Panels are often modeled employing beam or plane stress elements. Current research has focused on developing new mathematical models which consider physical properties of materials at micro and nano-scales [1]. The higher-order beam theories are capable of capturing the curvature of edges at small scale parameters [2, 3]. Based on the underlying mechanics beam theories are classified in the following classes:

(1)Euler-Bernoulli beam theory neglects the shear deformation and rotary inertia of the cross-section, which restricts it for thin beams only [4]. The governing equation of motion for free vibration can be written as:

$$D_x \frac{\partial^4 u_y}{\partial x^4} + \rho A \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = 0.$$
 (1)

(2)Lord Rayleigh added the rotary inertia of the cross-section [5, 6] in the governing equation of the Euler-Bernoulli beam. The free vibration equation can be expressed as:

$$D_x \frac{\partial^4 u_y}{\partial x^4} + \rho A \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} - \rho I \frac{\partial^4 u_y}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} = 0.$$
(2)

Timoshenko added the shear deformation of the (3)cross-section [5] in addition to Eq. (2). Thus, Timoshenko beam equation can be written as:

$$D_{x}\frac{\partial^{2}\phi}{\partial x^{2}} - D_{s}\kappa\left(\frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x} + \phi\right) - \rho I\frac{\partial^{2}\phi}{\partial t^{2}} = 0,$$

$$D_{s}\kappa\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x} + \phi\right) - \rho A\frac{\partial^{2}u_{y}}{\partial t^{2}} = 0.$$
(3)

(4)In the couple stress theory, axial deformation, two higher-order material length scale parameters, and micro-inertia [3] have also been considered in addition to Eq. (3) and equation of motion can be written as:

$$\begin{split} D_{l} \frac{\partial^{2} u_{x}}{\partial x^{2}} &- \rho A \frac{\partial^{2} u_{x}}{\partial t^{2}} = 0, \\ D_{x} \frac{\partial^{2} \phi}{\partial x^{2}} &- D_{s} \kappa \left(\frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x} + \phi\right) + \frac{D_{xz}}{2} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} \left(\phi - \frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x}\right) - \rho I \frac{\partial^{2} \phi}{\partial t^{2}} \\ &- \frac{\rho A J}{4} \left(\frac{\partial^{2} \phi}{\partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{3} u_{y}}{\partial x \partial t^{2}}\right) = 0, \\ D_{s} \kappa \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x} + \phi\right) + \frac{D_{xz}}{2} \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial x^{3}} \left(\phi - \frac{\partial u_{y}}{\partial x}\right) - \rho A \frac{\partial^{2} u_{y}}{\partial t^{2}} \\ &- \frac{\rho A J}{4} \left(\frac{\partial^{3} \phi}{\partial x \partial t^{2}} - \frac{\partial^{4} u_{y}}{\partial x^{2} \partial t^{2}}\right) = 0. \end{split}$$

$$(4)$$

where, $D_l = EA$, $D_x = EI$, $D_s = GA$ and $D_{xz} = GAl^2$ are stiffness parameters; $E, A, I, J, G, \rho, \kappa$, and *l* represents Young modulus, a cross-sectional area, second moment of area, micro-inertia, shear modulus, density, Timoshenko shear coefficient and characteristics length, respectively.

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Euler-Bernoulli beam theory neglects transverse shear strains and miscarry the deflection and natural frequency in case of thick beams where shear deformation effects are significant [4]. Rayleigh proposed an improvement to the Euler-Bernoulli beam theory by including the effect of rotary inertia of the cross-section of the beam [7]. Timoshenko proposed his theory where shear deformation of the crosssection is also taken into account [8]. However, transverse shear strain is ignored in Rayleigh theory [5]. These theories are proved very fruitful to both theoretical as well as experimental aspects [4]. In the classical continuum mechanics, the motion of material particles are described by position vectors identifying the location of each particle as a function of time [9]. So, in the classical theories, every particle has three displacements which are calculated by symmetric stress tensor that is not sufficient for describing the micro and nano-scales size of second-phase particles [10-12]. However, in most of the engineering problems; micro and nano-scale structures, the major concern in deformations is inelastic range, and observed that strain gradient effect generally holds the regime [13]. It is a significant fact that the size of second-phase particles has an important effect on the macroscopic behavior of materials [14]. The strain gradient based theory of elasticity to investigate the particle size effect find good agreements with the experiments as well as numerical studies. The preservation of the planeness of cross-section requires that the averaging length should be larger than the beam depth [15, 16]. The couple stress theory is a non-classical continuum theory based on macrodeformation and micro-rotation in which the full curvature vector is used to calculate the deformation in addition to the conventional strain [3, 16, 17]. So, the mechanical behavior of structures based on strain gradient is capable of capturing the effect on small-scale particles, when the characteristic size of structures is close to the material length parameter [2, 18–20]. In the couple stress theory, the rotation of the micro-structure and macro-structure is deemed to be equal and no constitutive equation is written for asymmetric shear stress vector. This vector is determined by considering the micro-structure rotational equation of motion of the elements [3, 21]. Hence, the asymmetric part of the shear stress does not contribute to the energy density [3, 16]. Euler-Bernoulli, Rayleigh, Timoshenko, and couple stress theories have been successfully implemented for the analysis of beams and extended for panels [22]. However, these theories lack to predict the behavior such as shear deformation and rotational inertia of cross-section, shear deformation, strain gradient effects, and curvature moment contribution at energy density level, respectively. Infill wall shows the curvature of edges which is not predicted accurately by these theories due to the absence of curvature vector mechanism based on the constitutive relation [3, 5, 23, 24].

In this present article, Micropolar-Cosserat linear elastic beam theory has been considered to capture the curvature behavior (based on the constitutive relation or at energy density level) of the infill wall with appropriate stiffness parameters [25, 26]. The assumption, and characteristic features of the

Micropolar-Cosserat continuum contains micro-structure which can rotate independently from the surrounding medium, and existence of couple stresses and asymmetric shear stresses, respectively [26-28]. The initial theoretical work was done by the Cosserat brothers [24], Mindlin [29], and Nowacki [30]. Eringen [31] explained the micro-inertia which describe the dynamics effects of microstructure. This additional constant micro-rotation field throughout the width of the beam converts the Timoshenko beam theory (firstorder shear deformation theory) into Micropolar-Cosserat elastic beam theory [32, 33]. So, each element of Micropolar-Cosserat continuum have three translational motion and three rotational ones, which are assigned to macro-structures and micro-structures, respectively [26, 34]. In Micropolar-Cosserat theory, the mutual interaction between two adjacent surface elements is expressed via the traction vector in addition to the couple-stress vector. While, the effect of a surface element on a neighboring one is expressible by a traction vector only; from the kinetic point of view in the classical continuum theory [26, 35, 36]. Dugem and Voitgt [12] suggested that the relationship between two adjacent elements of the body depends on the surface area element; employing force and couple stress vector [37, 38]. However, the complete theory of asymmetric elasticity was developed by the Cosserat brothers [24]. The asymmetric elasticity is the unique features of Micropolar-Cosserat theory to distinguish it from other standard theories. The shear stress can be split into symmetric and asymmetric shear stresses which facilitates the full curvature tensor to capture the micro-rotation in addition to the conventional strain [39, 40]. The symmetric shear stress causes the deformation of macro-structure and asymmetric shear stresses contribute to the rigid rotation of microstructure of the material. Hence, This theory provides the proficient gear to curvature moment at micro-scale [14, 26].

In this work, a 1-D Micropolar-Cosserat elastic governing equation of motion based on the linear law of variation of displacement has been considered for analysis of panels. Exact in-plane macro and micro displacement, and natural frequency of the panels have been evaluated implementing the transfer matrix approach and the state-space method [6, 41, 42]. The boundary condition taken by other authors corresponding to the Micropolar-Cosserat elastic continuum; deflection and resultant force is equal to zero at fixed end and free end, respectively [16, 25, 26]. These boundary conditions are not sufficient to have zero value of the curvature moment at free end section. So, it is necessary to have the exact values as a part of the loading definition [3, 43]. In the present paper, the curvature moment (or force) has been considered due to asymmetric shear at free end to find the in-plane static exact response. Another unique feature of this work is a validation of theoretical independent microrotation of panel with the help of static response of the plane-stress element. Moreover, the study of various beam theories like; Euler-Bernoulli, Timoshenko, Timoshenko and Goodier exact analysis, Couple stress theory, and their comparison with analytical v/s finite elements analysis have done for building confidence. The proposed methodology can be extended for the composite and functionally graded panels



Figure 1. (a) Normal and bending stresses acting on a planar Micropolar-Cosserat solid in a varying stress field, and (b) The symmetric and asymmetric parts of the shear stresses.

very effectively, but for the brevity and develop the insight on the theory, this paper is limited only for the analysis of homogeneous panels [44–46].

2 Micropolar-Cosserat elastic panel theory

2.1. Two-dimensional equilibrium equations

The Micropolar-Cosserat solid can transmit normal as well as bending stresses due to having an extra macro-rotational degree of freedom. The sketch shown in Figure 1 depicts a 2-D free body diagram of the typical Micropolar-Cosserat element associated with the varying stress field.

The plane-stress equilibrium equations of motion for Micropolar-Cosserat element are written as follows

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial t^2} = 0,$$
(5)

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = 0, \tag{6}$$

$$\frac{\partial m_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial m_{yz}}{\partial y} + (\tau_{yx} - \tau_{xy}) - \rho J \frac{\partial^2 \psi_z}{\partial t^2} = 0, \tag{7}$$

Unlike in the Micropolar-Cosserat theory, an additional equilibrium equation for the curvature moment does not appear in the modified couple stress theory [25, 47]. It can be seen from Eq. (7) that the shear stresses are not necessarily symmetric, which is the unique features of the Micropolar-Cosserat theory to distinguish it from other standard theory [48].

2.2. Stress-strain of Micropolar-Cosserat panel

The positive directions of the stress resultants, displacements, and cross-sectional shape of the panel after the development of force and couple stresses are shown in Figure 2.

Let us consider a 2-D homogeneous, isotropic and linear elastic panel of a length L with rectangular cross-section of

constant width W, and thickness T. The equations of displacement field based on the linear law of variation are

$$u_x(x, y, t) = y\phi(x, t), \ u_y(x, y, t) = u_y(x, t), \text{ and}$$

 $u_x(x, y, t) = u_y(x, t), \ (8)$

The normal strains are

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} = y\phi', \text{ and } \epsilon_y = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} = 0.$$
 (9)

The relatives asymmetric shear strains are

$$\epsilon_{xy} = \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} - \psi_z\right) = (\phi - \psi), \text{ and}$$

$$\epsilon_{yx} = \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} + \psi_z\right) = \left(u'_y + \psi\right).$$
(10)

Where u_x , u_y , ϕ , ψ_z , and ψ are the longitudinal, transverse, rotation of the cross-section about the neutral axis of the panel, rigid micro-rotation, and an independent micro-rotation of micro-structure respectively. In the microstructures, the rotating axis is called orthogonal directors and directors of each material point are deformable in the Micropolar-Cosserat solid [25, 49]. The symmetric and skew-symmetric shear strains are defined, respectively as

$$\gamma_s = \left(u'_y + \phi\right), \text{ and } \gamma_a = \left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi\right).$$
 (11)

We can see that the symmetric part takes the same form as the shear strain in the classical Timoshenko beam theory. The skew-symmetric part is twice the difference between the usual macro-rotation and the micro-rotation [36]. The curvatures describe the bending of planer elements due to couple-stresses are

$$K_{xz} = \frac{\partial \psi_z}{\partial x}$$
, and $K_{yz} = \frac{\partial \psi_z}{\partial y} = 0.$ (12)

The localization of shear deformation at the material length scale parameter has been quantified thus enabling both the Cosserat modulus and characteristic length as an additional



Figure 2. (a) Micropolar-Cosserat elastic panel and (b) Relative strains and rigid rotation of micro-structure.

constitutive parameter present into the Micropolar-Cosserat continuum [50, 51]. The isotropic stress-strain relationship for one-dimensional Micropolar-Cosserat panel can be written as

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_{x} \\ \tau_{xy} \\ \tau_{yx} \\ m_{xz} \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & G + G_{c} & G - G_{c} & 0 \\ 0 & G - G_{c} & G + G_{c} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2Gl^{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \epsilon_{x} \\ \epsilon_{xy} \\ \epsilon_{yx} \\ K_{xz} \end{cases}, \quad (13)$$

where G_c represents Cosserat modulus of the homogeneous panel.

The characteristics length represents a material property and order of the magnitude as the maximum size of material inhomogeneities with solely softening yield [52]. However, plastic nature also developing during severe deformation of ductile materials with softening followed by hardening [53]. In Micropolar-Cosserat continuum analysis, the numerical value proposed for G_c is $\frac{G}{3}$ and ratio of $\frac{1}{L}$ are 0.02083, for static and 0.01042, for dynamic analysis. In couple stress analysis, the numerical value of G_c is neglected and ratio of $\frac{1}{L}$ are 0.02083, for static and 0.01042, for dynamic analysis [50, 51, 54–56].

2.3. Balance equations for Micropolar-Cosserat panel

Let us consider stress and displacement field do not vary across the width. Stress-strain and couple stress components are independent of z-coordinate. The elastic constants are the function of x-coordinate. The applied load is so that, no torsion occurs in the beam [25, 26]. The balanced equations for 1-D Micropolar-Cosserat panel are expressed as

$$\frac{\partial M_x}{\partial x} - Q_{yx} - \rho \frac{\partial^2 U_x}{\partial t^2} = 0, \qquad (14)$$

$$\frac{\partial Q_{xy}}{\partial x} - \rho A \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = 0, \qquad (15)$$

$$\frac{\partial P_{xz}}{\partial x} + (Q_{yx} - Q_{xy}) - \rho A J \frac{\partial^2 \psi_z}{\partial t^2} = 0, \qquad (16)$$

where

$$U_x = \int_A u_x y dA \text{ and } J, \text{ cubical element}$$
$$= \frac{2l^2}{1+\nu} \quad (DeBorst; R., \& Sluys; L: J, et al., 1991).$$

The stress resultants to reduce the 2-D equilibrium equations into 1-D balanced equations are as follows

$$M_{x} = \int_{A} \sigma_{x} y dA, \quad Q_{xy} = \int_{A} \tau_{xy} dA, \quad Q_{yx} = \int_{A} \tau_{yx} dA, \text{ and}$$
$$P_{xz} = \int_{A} m_{xz} dA.$$
(17)

From the isotropic stress-strain relationship Eq. (13) and stress resultants Eq. (17), following can be expressed as

$$\sigma_{x} = E\epsilon_{x} = Ey\phi'$$

$$M_{x} = EI\phi' = D_{x}\phi',$$
(18)

$$\tau_{xy} = (G + G_c)\epsilon_{xy} + (G - G_c)\epsilon_{yx}$$

$$Q_{xy} = D_s \left(u'_y + \phi\right) - D_a \left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi\right),$$
(19)

$$\tau_{yx} = (G - G_c)\epsilon_{xy} + (G + G_c)\epsilon_{yx}$$

$$Q_{yx} = D_s \left(u'_y + \phi\right) + D_a \left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi\right),$$
(20)

$$m_{xz} = 2Gl^2 K_{xz} = 2Gl^2 \psi'$$

$$P_{xz} = 2Gl^2 A \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = 2D_{xz} \psi',$$
(21)

where $D_a = G_c A$ is the Cosserat stiffness parameter for a homogeneous panel. The stiffness parameters can also be helpful to represent, a functionally graded material [46, 49].

2.4. Governing equations of motion

2.4.1. Dynamic system

Governing equations of motion for 1-D Micropolar-Cosserat panel are derived by substituting the value of stress and force resultant Eqs. (18) to (21) into balance Eqs. (14) to (16). They are as follows

$$D_s\left(u_y''+\phi'\right) - D_a\left(u_y''-\phi'+2\psi'\right) - \rho A \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial t^2} = 0,$$
(22)

$$D_x\phi'' - D_s\left(u'_y + \phi\right) - D_a\left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi\right) - \rho I \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} = 0,$$
(23)

$$2D_{xz}\psi'' + 2D_a\left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi\right) - \rho AJ\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} = 0.$$
(24)

2.4.2. Static system

By substituting time-dependent macro and micro displacement is equal to zero into the dynamic system of Eqs. (22) to (24), the equations derived are as follows

$$D_{s}\left(u_{y}''+\phi'\right)-D_{a}\left(u_{y}''-\phi'+2\psi'\right)=0,$$
 (25)

$$D_x \phi'' - D_s \left(u'_y + \phi \right) - D_a \left(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi \right) = 0,$$
 (26)

$$2D_{xz}\psi'' + 2D_a \Big(u'_y - \phi + 2\psi \Big) = 0.$$
 (27)

3 Analysis of Micropolar-Cosserat elastic panel

3.1. In-plane static analysis

The steps followed for the series of solutions of the equilibrium equations to find out in-plane static responses are elaborated by Anssi T. Karttunen into Appendix A [25]. The solutions of a static system is generated by the decoupling of Eqs. (25) to (27) using mathematical tools such as MAPLE. 1-D micropolar-Cosserat elastic panel consists of three displacements and three force vector. Hence, six boundary conditions need to be solved corresponding to the six-state vectors namely, u_{ν} , ϕ , ψ , M_{xy} Q_{xy} and P_{xz} . The displacement equations in the form of constant stiffness parameter are written as

$$u_{y} = \left[c_{1} - c_{2}x - \frac{1}{2}c_{3}x^{2} + c_{4}\left\{(a - b)x - \frac{x^{3}}{3}\right\} - \alpha\left(c_{5}e^{\beta x} - c_{6}e^{-\beta x}\right)\right]$$
(28)

$$\phi = \left[c_2 + c_3 x + c_4 \left\{(a+b) + x^2\right\} - d\left(c_5 e^{\beta x} + c_6 e^{-\beta x}\right)\right],\tag{29}$$

$$\psi = [c_2 + c_3 x + c_4 x^2 + (c_5 e^{\beta x} + c_6 e^{-\beta x})], \qquad (30)$$

where

$$a = \frac{D_x + D_{xz}}{D_s}, \ b = \frac{D_{xz}}{D_a}, \ d = \frac{2D_{xz}}{D_x},$$
$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2D_{xz}[(D_x + D_{xz})D_a + D_sD_{xz}]^2}{D_x D_s D_a (D_x + 2D_{xz})(D_a - D_s)}, \text{ and }$$
$$\beta^2 = \frac{2D_s D_a (D_x + 2D_{xz})}{D_x D_{xz} (D_a - D_s)}.$$

The force equations based on stiffness parameters are derived with the help of stress or force resultants Eqs. (18) to (21) and displacement Eqs. (28) to (30) are as follows

$$M_{x} = D_{x} [c_{3} + 2c_{4}x - d\beta (c_{5}e^{\beta x} - c_{6}e^{-\beta x})], \qquad (31)$$

$$Q_{xy} = [2(D_s a + D_a b)c_4 + \{(D_a - D_s)\alpha\beta - d(D_a + D_s) - 2D_a\}...$$
$$...(e^{\beta x}c_5 + e^{-\beta x}c_6)],$$
(32)

$$P_{xz} = 2D_{xz} [c_3 + 2c_4 x + \beta (c_5 e^{\beta x} - c_6 e^{-\beta x})].$$
(33)

Substituting x = 0, $u_y = u_{y_1}$, $\phi = \phi_1$, $\psi = \psi_1$, $M_x = M_{x_1}$, $Q_{xy} = Q_{xy_1}$ and $P_{xz} = P_{xz_1}$ in Eqs. (28) to (33). The matrix relation between the state-vector and coefficients can be expressed as

Similarly substituting x = L, $u_y = u_{y_2}$, $\phi = \phi_2$, $\psi = \psi_2$, $M_x = M_{x_2}$, $Q_{xy} = Q_{xy_2}$ and $P_{xz} = P_{xz_2}$ in Eqs. (28) to (33). The matrix relation between the state-vector and coefficients can be expressed as

$$\underbrace{\left\{\begin{array}{c}u_{y_{2}}\\\psi_{2}\\W_{2}\\W_{x_{2}}\\Q_{xy_{2}}\\P_{xz_{2}}\\P_{xz_{2}}\end{array}\right\}}_{V(L)} = \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{cccccc}1 & -L & -\frac{1}{2}L^{2} & (a-b)L - \frac{1}{3}L^{2} & -\alpha e^{\beta L} & \alpha e^{-\beta L}\\0 & 1 & L & L^{2} + (a+b) & -de^{\beta L} & -de^{-\beta L}\\0 & 1 & L & L^{2} & e^{\beta L} & e^{-\beta L}\\0 & 0 & D_{x} & 2D_{x}L & -D_{x}d\beta e^{\beta L} & D_{x}d\beta e^{-\beta L}\\0 & 0 & 0 & s & pe^{\beta L} & pe^{-\beta L}\\0 & 0 & 2D_{xz} & 4D_{xz}L & 2D_{xz}\beta e^{\beta L} & -2D_{xz}\beta e^{-\beta L}\\K(L)\end{array}\right]} \underbrace{\left\{\begin{array}{c}c_{1}\\c_{2}\\c_{3}\\c_{4}\\c_{5}\\c_{6}\\c_{6}\\c_{7}\\c_{7}\\c_{8}\\c_{$$

where, $p = (D_a - D_s)\alpha\beta - (D_a + D_s)d - 2D_a$ and $s = 2D_ab$ $+ 2D_s a$. From the Eqs. (34), and (35) we can write

$$\left\{ C \right\}_{6\times 1} = \left[K(0) \right]_{6\times 6}^{-1} \left\{ V(0) \right\}_{6\times 1},$$

$$\left\{ C \right\}_{6\times 1} = \left[K(L) \right]_{6\times 6}^{-1} \left\{ V(L) \right\}_{6\times 1}.$$

$$(37)$$

$$C \Big\}_{6\times 1} = \Big[K(L) \Big]_{6\times 6}^{-1} \Big\{ V(L) \Big\}_{6\times 1}.$$
(37)

By putting the value of the coefficient of Eq. (36) into Eq. (37), the relation between the state vector for two boundary values can be written as

$$\left\{ V(L) \right\}_{6\times 1} = \underbrace{\left[\kappa(L) \right]_{6\times 6} \left[\kappa(0) \right]_{6\times 6}^{-1}}_{T_s} \left\{ V(0) \right\}_{6\times 1}.$$
 (38)

Let us assume, the transfer matrix of a static system

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_s \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 6} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 6}$$

From the Eq. (38) we can write

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} D_2 \\ F_2 \end{array} \right\}_{6\times 1} = \left[\begin{array}{cc} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{array} \right] \left\{ \begin{array}{c} D_1 \\ F_1 \end{array} \right\}_{6\times 1},$$
(39)

where $\{D_k\}^T = \{u_{y_k} \ \phi_k \ \psi_k\}, \{F_k\}^T = \{M_{x_k} \ Q_{xy_k}\}$ P_{xz_k} and k = 1, 2. From the Eq. (39), the relationship between displacement, force, and transfer matrix is expressed as

$$\begin{cases} u_{y_2} \\ \phi_2 \\ \psi_2 \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3} \begin{cases} u_{y_1} \\ \phi_1 \\ \psi_1 \end{cases} + \begin{bmatrix} T_{12} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3} \begin{cases} M_{x_1} \\ Q_{xy_1} \\ P_{xz_1} \end{cases}, \quad (40)$$

$$\begin{cases} M_{x_2} \\ Q_{xy_2} \\ P_{xz_2} \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{21} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3} \begin{cases} u_{y_1} \\ \phi_1 \\ \psi_1 \end{cases} + \begin{bmatrix} T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3} \begin{cases} M_{x_1} \\ Q_{xy_1} \\ P_{xz_1} \end{cases}.$$
(41)

A homogeneous panel is solved as a 1-D cantilever elastic panel. Hence, for fixed end, $\{D_1\} = 0$ and for free end, $M_{x_2} = 0$ but $Q_{xy_2} \neq 0$ and $P_{xz_2} \neq 0$. It can be derived from Eqs. (40) and (41)



Figure 3. In-plane static displacement (m) due to the surface traction force.

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$$\begin{cases} u_{y_2} \\ \phi_2 \\ \psi_2 \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{12} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}^{-1} \begin{cases} 0 \\ Q_{xy_2} \\ P_{xz_2} \end{cases} ,$$
 (42)

where flexibility and stiffness matrix of cantilever panel are, $[F]_{3\times3} = [T_{12}]_{3\times3} [T_{22}]_{3\times3}^{-1}$ and $[K_s]_{3\times3} = [F]_{3\times3}^{-1}$, respectively. The value of $\{D_2\}^T = \frac{1}{L}[F]_{3\times3}$, means curvature moment, $P_{xz_2} = 2GK_{xz_2}l^2$. The Eqs. (37) and (42) the value of coefficient matrix is

$$\left\{ C \right\}_{6\times 1} = \underbrace{\left[\kappa_{c} \right]_{6\times 3}^{-1} \left[\tau_{22} \right]_{3\times 3}^{-1}}_{K_{t}} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ Q_{xy_{2}} \\ P_{xz_{2}} \end{array} \right\}_{3\times 1}, \quad (43)$$

where

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\alpha}{D_x \beta(1+d)} & 0 & \frac{\alpha}{2D_{xz} \beta(1+d)} \\ 0 & -\frac{a+b}{q} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{D_x(1+d)} & 0 & \frac{d}{2D_{xz}(1+d)} \\ 0 & \frac{1+d}{q} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2D_x \beta(1+d)} & \frac{a+b}{2q} & \frac{1}{4D_{xz} \beta(1+d)} \\ \frac{1}{2D_x \beta(1+d)} & \frac{a+b}{2q} & -\frac{1}{4D_{xz} \beta(1+d)} \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 3}, \text{ and}$$

$$(44)$$

$$q = (D_a - D_s) \{ \alpha \beta (a + b) - d(a - b) - 2a \}.$$

Substitute the Eq. (44) into Eq. (43), and upshots of the Eq. (43) is used to find out macro and micro displacements of

homogeneous panel via Eqs. (28) to (30). Yield stress and force resultants can be obtained by putting the values of displacements into the Eqs. (18) to (21).

3.2. Finite element analysis for static response

The FE model (Plane-stress element) for the plot of displacements is shown in Figure 3. The volume and surface area of panel are *LWT* and 2(LW + LT + WT), respectively. The detailed description of FE model are given as

- (1) Geometry: 2-D planer deformable shell element.
- (2) Section: Homogeneous solid.
- (3) Mesh size: 0.025.
- (4) Mesh controls: Quad-dominated.
- (5) Element shape: Quad.
- (6) Element type: CPS4R.

3.3. Comparative results of static panel

Consider a homogeneous cantilever panel with geometric and material properties to study the comparative macro and micro-displacements. Modulus of elasticity, $E = 2.1 \times 10^{11}$ N/m², Poisson ratio, $\nu = 0.30$, $\rho = 7850$ kg/m³, L = 1 to 3 m, W = 0.15 to 2.75 m and constant T = 0.15 m. The Micropolar-Cosserat analysis, Timoshenko and Goodier exact cantilever analysis [43] and Timoshenko couple stress analysis [3] with respect to FE analysis at 1 N/m² surface traction for the varying dimensions are summarized as follows,

3.3.1. Lateral displacement and stiffness

Deflection and stiffness of cantilever panels are found directly from FE analysis. Typical graphs for comparative



Figure 4. Lateral deflection of the homogeneous panel.

analysis of lateral deflection and stiffness are shown in Figures 4 and 5, respectively.

 Timoshenko and Goodier exact cantilever [43] expression for displacement

$$u_{x} = \frac{Q_{xy}y}{6D_{x}} \left[(6L - 3x)x + (2 + \nu) \left(y^{2} - \frac{W^{2}}{4} \right) \right],$$

$$u_{y} = \frac{Q_{xy}}{6D_{x}} \left[3\nu y^{2}(L - x) + (4 + 5\nu) \frac{W^{2}x}{4} + (3L - x)x^{2} \right].$$
(45)

(2) Timoshenko couple stress [3] expression for displacement

$$u_{x} = \frac{Q_{xy}yf}{2} \left[(1-e) \left(\frac{\cosh \lambda(x-L)}{\cosh \lambda L} - 1 \right) - g \left(\frac{x^{2}}{2} - Lx \right) \right],$$

$$u_{y} = \frac{Q_{xy}f}{2} \left[(1+e) \left(x - \frac{\sinh \lambda(x-l) + \sinh \lambda L}{\lambda \cosh \lambda L} \right) + g \left(\frac{Lx^{2}}{2} - \frac{x^{3}}{6} \right) \right],$$
(46)

where

$$\begin{split} \lambda &= 2\sqrt{D_s \left(\frac{1}{D_x} + \frac{1}{2D_{xz}}\right)}, \ e = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \left(\frac{\lambda^2 D_x - 2D_s}{D_x + D_{xz}}\right), \\ f &= \frac{1}{D_s} \left(\frac{D_{xz} + D_x}{2D_{xz} + D_x}\right) \text{ and,} \\ g &= \left(\frac{2D_s}{D_x + D_{xz}}\right). \end{split}$$

3.3.2. Rotation of cross-section

The rotation of cross-section is derived with the help of longitudinal and lateral deflection of a panel which are found from FE analysis. Typical sketch and graph for comparison of rotation of cross-section is shown in Figures 6 and 7, respectively. The rotation of cross-section about the neutral axis is expressed as



Figure 5. Stiffness of the homogeneous panel.



Figure 6. Macro and micro-rotation of a panel.

$$\phi = \left[-\frac{u_x}{y} + \frac{\sqrt{AB_x^2 + AB_y^2}}{y} \right],\tag{47}$$

where, $AB_x = -y \sin \theta$, $AB_y = y(1 - \cos \theta)$, $y = \frac{W}{2}$, $\psi =$ micro – rotation, and bending slope, $\theta = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x}$.

3.3.3. Rotation of micro-structure

The sketch and graph of relative rotation of micro-structure based on the displacement field are shown in Figures 6 and 8, respectively. The average rotations of micro-structure are

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2} \left(\phi - \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \tag{48}$$

Using the Eq. (47) into Eq. (48), micro-rotation in based on lateral and longitudinal displacement

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2} \left[-\frac{u_x}{y} + \frac{\sqrt{AB_x^2 + AB_y^2}}{y} - \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right]$$
(49)

The comparison of FE analysis and Micropolar-Cosserat shows the good agreements with the in-plane static response; macro displacement and micro-rotation concerning the ratio of volume to surface area of the panel. The error appears in the macro-displacement and micro-rotation is due to imperfection in localization of deformation upon mesh refinement sensitivity. The localization associated with strain softening is neither necessary nor sufficient in setting the constant width of the shear band and energy dissipation during the time of computation [50, 57, 58]. The FE analysis v/s Timoshenko and Goodier's exact solution or Timoshenko couple stress analysis graph also shows the same pattern corresponding to the response. In the case of Timoshenko and Goodier's cantilever, error are caused by the incompatibility between the boundary conditions for complex shear stress at the corners. The top and bottom faces enforce a zero stress boundary condition at the corners, while the applied uniform traction enforces non-zero shear stress boundary conditions at the same places [43]. In the case of couple stress analysis, this error is due to the asymmetric part of shear stress which does not contribute to energy density into the displacement field of structural system [3, 25].

3.4. Natural frequencies of the panel

The dynamic system of coupled Eqs. (22) to (24) have no classical representation. So, It is necessary to represent the coupled system as a two-scale matrix via sufficient and necessary decoupling conditions [42]. The separation variable matrix of coupled equations is expressed as

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} D_{s}-D_{a} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & D_{x} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 2D_{xz} \end{bmatrix}}_{M} \underbrace{\begin{cases} u_{y}''\\ \psi'' \end{pmatrix}}_{U''} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & D_{s}+D_{a} & -2D_{a}\\ -D_{s}-D_{a} & 0 & 0\\ 2D_{a} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{D} \underbrace{\begin{cases} u_{y}'\\ \psi' \end{pmatrix}}_{U'} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \rho A \omega^{2} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & -(D_{s}-D_{a}-\rho I \omega^{2}) & -2D_{a}\\ 0 & -2D_{a} & 4D_{a}+\rho A J \omega^{2} \end{bmatrix}}_{K_{d}} \underbrace{\begin{cases} u_{y}\\ \psi \\ \psi \\ \psi \\ \psi \\ U \end{bmatrix}}_{U} = 0.$$
(50)

The generalized formulation of Eq. (50) via the graphical representation of state-space method are as follows:

$$MU'' + DU' + K_d U = 0$$

$$U'' + M^{-1}DU' + M^{-1}K_d U = 0,$$
(51)

$$\underbrace{\left\{\begin{array}{c}U''\\U'\end{array}\right\}_{6\times 1}}_{X'} = \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c}-M^{-1}D & -M^{-1}K_d\\I_3 & 0\end{array}\right]_{6\times 6}}_{Z} \underbrace{\left\{\begin{array}{c}U'\\U\end{array}\right\}_{6\times 1}}_{X} \tag{52}$$

$$\{X\} = [Z]\{X\}.$$

The solution of the above system of linear differential equa-
tions, $\{X\}' = [Z]\{X\}$ is $\{X\} = \zeta e^{\omega x}\{C\}$ or $\{X\} = [S(x)]\{C\}$ [59, 60]. Where, ζ and ω are eigenvector and

and $[S(x)] \{C\}$ [59, 60]. v ere, ζ eigenvalue of [Z], respectively. The solution of a dynamic system is summarized as

$$\begin{cases} U' \\ U \end{cases}_{6\times 1} = \underbrace{\zeta e^{\Omega x}}_{s(x)} \{ C \}_{6\times 1}$$

$$\begin{cases} U' \\ U \end{cases}_{6\times 1} = \left[S(x) \right]_{6\times 6} \{ C \}_{6\times 1}.$$

$$(53)$$

The state vector (or V matrix) by using displacement u_{ν} , ψ , ϕ and resultants force Eqs. (18) to (21) can be expressed as

$$\left\{\begin{array}{c}u_{y}\\ \phi\\ \psi\\ M_{x}\\ Q_{xy}\\ P_{xz}\\ V\end{array}\right\}_{V} = \left[\begin{array}{ccccccc}0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1\\ 0 & D_{x} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0\\ D_{s} + D_{a} & 0 & 0 & 0 & D_{s} - D_{a} & -2D_{a}\\ 0 & 0 & 2D_{xz} & 0 & 0 & 0\end{array}\right]} \left\{\begin{array}{c}U'\\ U\end{array}\right\}_{6\times1}, \quad (54)$$

however, the formulation can be generalized as

$$\begin{bmatrix} V \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} U' \\ U \end{cases}_{6 \times 1}.$$
 (55)

From the Eqs. (53) and (55), the relation between state vector and coefficient is expressed as

$$\left\{ V(x) \right\}_{6 \times 1} = \left[R \right]_{6 \times 6} \left\{ S(x) \right\}_{6 \times 6} \left\{ C \right\}_{6 \times 1}.$$
 (56)

The relation between state vector V_1 and V_2 by using end conditions, x = 0 and x = L is expressed as

$$\left\{ V(L) \right\}_{6\times 1} = \underbrace{\left[R \right]_{6\times 6} \left\{ s(L) \right\}_{6\times 6} \left[R \right]_{6\times 6}^{-1} \left\{ s(0) \right\}_{6\times 6}^{-1}}_{T_d} \left\{ V(0) \right\}_{6\times 1}.$$
(57)

Let us assume, the transfer matrix of a dynamic system

$$\begin{bmatrix} T_d \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 6} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 6},$$

so, Eq. (57) can be written as

$$\left\{ V(L) \right\}_{6\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{6\times 6} \left\{ V(0) \right\}_{6\times 1}.$$
 (58)

The values of forcing frequency (or ω) for which the transfer matrix coefficient, $\begin{bmatrix} T_{22} \end{bmatrix}_{3\times 3}$ are zero. Those value are natural frequencies (or ω_n) of a homogeneous cantilever panel.

3.5. Finite element analysis for natural frequency

The FE model (Plane-stress element) for the plot of natural frequencies is shown in Figure 9. The volume and surface area of panel are LWT and 2(LW + LT + WT), respectively. The detailed description of FE model are given as

- Geometry: 2-D planer deformable shell element. (1)
- (2)Section: Homogeneous solid.
- (3)Mesh size: 0.025.

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- (4)Mesh controls: Quad-dominated.
- (5) Element shape: Quad.
- Element type: CPS8. (6)

3.6. Comparative analysis of natural frequency

Consider a homogeneous cantilever panel with geometric and material properties to study the comparative natural frequencies. The young modulus, $E = 2.1 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$, Poisson ratio, $\nu = 0.30, \ \rho = 7850 \text{ kg/m}^3, \ L = 1 \text{ to } 3 \text{ m}, \ W = 0.15 \text{ to } 2.75$ m and constant T = 0.15 m. The normalized frequencies for Micropolar-Cosserat analysis, Timoshenko [61] and Euler [62]



Figure 7. Rotation of the cross-section about the neutral axis.



Figure 8. Average micro-rotation of structure based on displacement field of plane-stress element.

beam theory with respect to the FE analysis for varying dimensions are shown in Figure 10. The expression of normalized frequency for homogeneous cantilever panel

$$N_f = \omega_n \sqrt{\frac{\rho L^2}{G}}.$$
 (59)

The natural frequency's response of Micropolar-Cosserat theory is very closer to FE analysis with respect to the ratio of volume to surface area of the panels. However, Timoshenko's and Euler's natural frequencies are found to have more differences with respect to FE analysis. This is caused by the existence of micro-rotational waves which are not found in classical theories [63–65]. It is observed that the micro-elastic characteristics are not sufficient for the realistic dispersion of waves. The micro-inertia needed in addition to micro-elastic characteristics [26, 66, 67].

4. Summary of results

The summary of result from the study of static and dynamic systems based on classical and non-classical theories are as follows:



Figure 9. FE model based on static stiffness for the natural frequency of first mode; 533.22 Hz.



Figure 10. Normalized frequency of the homogeneous panel.

4.1. Static system

- This system is capable to predict the presence of curvature or micro-rotational field of displacement.
- Transfer matrix method is used for the snapshot of the macro and micro displacements of the panels.
- FE analysis of panel and simulations with Timoshenkocoupled stress, Timoshenko and Goodier's exact cantilever, and Micropolar-Cosserat analysis are presented.
- The comparative study shows that differences in macro and micro-deflection and stiffness are up to 3% if the width of infill walls is limited up to 0.75*L*.

4.2. Dynamic system

- This system is capable to predict the presence of the dispersive phenomenon of flexural waves.
- The natural frequencies of the panels are evaluated using the transfer matrix approach in conjunction with state-

space method. This enables to decouple all the three coupled partial differential equations of motion.

- FE analysis of panel and simulations with Micropolar-Cosserat theory, Timoshenko shear deformation theory, and Euler theory are presented.
- The comparative study shows that differences in natural frequencies are up to 5% if the width of infill walls is limited up to 0.75*L*.

5. Conclusions

One-dimensional Micropolar-Cosserat elastic beam theory is used to evaluate the transverse displacements, stiffness, rotation of cross-section, independent rotation of micro-structure, and natural frequencies of the homogeneous panels. The comparison of different theories show that Micropolar-Cosserat theory gives closer result in the case of in-plane static macro-displacement, independent micro-rotation, and natural frequencies with the plane-stress finite element model. Timoshenko and Goodier's exact cantilever analysis, and Timoshenko couple stress analysis also find the best agreement even for higher volume-to-surface ratio. However, other theories like Timoshenko and Euler-Bernoulli predict the results in acceptable limits only in case of the low volume to surface area ratio. The conclusions emphasize on the contribution of the paper and novelty of this work includes

- The proposed analytical approach of transfer matrix in this work, can be used to evaluate the static and dynamic response for any type of boundary conditions.
- In the present paper, the curvature moment (or force) has been considered due to asymmetric shear at free end to find the exact in-plane static response.
- The validation of theoretical independent micro-rotation of panel with the help of static response of the plane-stress element is another unique feature of this work.
- The illustration of various beam theories like; Euler-Bernoulli, Timoshenko, Timoshenko and Goodier's exact analysis, Couple stress theory, and their comparison with analytical v/s finite elements analysis has not been presented before elsewhere.
- The analytical results evidenced a good agreement with finite element analysis due to incorporation of proposed exact boundary condition at free end.

Symbols Description

L	Length
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- W Width
- T Thickness
- A Cross-section area
- I Second moment of area o Density
- ρ Density ν Poisson ratio
- *E* Young modulus
- G Shear modulus
- *G_c* Cosserat modulus
- *k* Shear coefficient
- *l* Characteristics length

Longitudinal deflection
Transverse deflection
Rotation of cross-section
Rigid micro-rotation
Independent micro-rotation
Normal strains
Transverse strains
Symmetric shear strain
Asymmetric shear strain
Plane-stress curvatures
Normal stresses
Shear stresses
Curvature moments
Moment force
Shear Force
Curvature force
Eigenvector
Eigenvalue
Natural frequency
Normalized frequency

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