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Thermoelastic analysis of FGM hollow cylinder for variable parameters and temperature distributions using FEM

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Abstract: This paper presents, numerical study of stress field in functionally graded material (FGM) hollow cylinder by using finite element method (FEM). The FGM cylinder is subjected to internal pressure and uniform heat generation. Thermoelastic material properties of FGM cylinder are assumed to vary along radius of cylinder as an exponential function of radius. The governing differential equation is solved numerically by FEM for isotropic and anisotropic hollow cylinder. Additionally, the effect of material gradient index ($\beta$) on normalized radial stresses, normalized circumferential stress and normalized axial stress are evaluated and shown graphically. The behaviour of stress versus normalized radius of cylinder is plotted for different values of Poisson’s ratio and temperature. The graphical results shown that stress field in FGM cylinder is influenced by some of above mentioned parameters.

Keywords: FGM, cylinder, FEM, thermo-mechanical parameters

1 Introduction

Functionally graded materials have great application in fields of aerospace, automobiles, industry, defence, energy, electronics, electrical, biomedical and sports. FGMs are used widely due to variation in composition and structural gradually over volume that results in variation in chemical, thermal, electrical and mechanical properties. These materials can be constructed for some special application and function. In FGMs material properties are not homogeneous across the whole material. FGM cylindrical structures have number of applications in field of engineering and science, therefore number of theoretical and experimental studies have been done to optimize the weight, mechanical strength, displacement, stress and strain of cylinder. In past decade of years, researchers and scientists made analysis of different types of cylinders.

Dai et al. [1] presented exact solution for stresses in functionally graded metal hollow cylinder by using infinitesimal theory of magneto-thermoelasticity. Abrinia et al. [2] obtained radial and circumferential stress in FGM cylindrical vessel under internal pressure and temperature from analytical solution. Further, effect of non homogeneity in FGM thick cylinder was discussed by choosing dimensionless parameters. Evci and Gulgec [3] developed analytical solution to present stress and displacement in hollow cylinder under heat generation and internal pressure that analytical solution derived with help airy stress function. Rahimi and Nejad [4] used theory of elasticity to find exact solution in hollow thick walled rotating FGM cylinder under internal and external pressure. Sharma et al. [5] made analysis of stress and strain in rotating circular disk under exponentially varying material properties. Sharma et al. [6] studied effect of Kibel number on thermoelastic characteristics in FGM disk by using FEM. Naghdabadi and Kordkheii [7] taken power law distribution model of material properties to made thermoelastic analysis of functionally graded plates and shells by FEM. Go [8] analyzed thermoelastic characteristics of circular disk under effect of rotating speed and radial thickness by using FEM. FEM was used by number of researchers to study numerical behaviour of thermoelastic characteristics. The detailed literature related to FEM is given in [9–12]. Yadav and Jiwari [13–15] used FEM to solve different types of problem related to differential equations i.e. FEM used solve Burger’s Fisher’s equation, srusselator model and coupled reaction diffusion model. Sharma et al. [16] investigated thermoelastic characteristics in FGM disk under linearly varying material properties by using FEM. Sharma and Kaur [17] made comparison of stress and strain for two FGM disks where first disk constructed from Aluminum and Alumina and second
disk constructed from Zirconium and Zirconium oxide. To

carried out comparison of different thermoelastic characteristics FEM was used. Farhan et al. [18] used finite dif-
fERENCE method to problem of thermoelasticity for an in-
finity long and isotropic circular cylinder. This method
presented numerical solution for displacement, tempera-
ture and stress under mechanical and thermal boundary
conditions. Habib et al. [19] developed mathematical anal-
ysis to study stresses and strains in FGM cylinder under ex-
ponentially varing material properties. Also FEM and AN-
SYS software had been used to compute different values
of stress. Vaziri et al. [20] described analytical formulation
for FGM thick walled cylinder with power law varia-
tion in properties. Further, FEM was used to checked vali-
dation of analytical solution. Bayat et al. [21] made analy-
sis of a rotating functionally graded disk under two types
of thickness profiles and steady temperature field. Liew
et al. [22] used novel limiting process to study thermal
stress and temperature in hollow circular cylinder. Jabb-
bari et al. [23] developed analysis of short length hollow
FGM cylinder with help of generalized bessel function.
This analysis was carried out under radial and longitudi-
dinal direction of temperature. Parveen et al. [24] used FEM
to find two step solution of governing differential equa-
tion of thermoelasticity in ceramic-metal cylinder. Jabbbari
et al. [25] studied thermal stresses in FGM cylinder, in
this cylinder temperature distribution and other material
properties were assumed to vary as function of radius.
Nejad et al. [26] presented elastic analysis of FGM thick-
walled cylindrical pressure vessels from its analytical so-
lution under exponential varing material properties. Es-
lami et al. [27] investigated analytical solution for function-
ally graded hollow thick sphere under general thermal me-
chanical boundary conditions and radially varing mate-
rial properties. Peng and Lie [28] converted thermoelastic
problem to fredholm integral equation for obtaining ther-
mal stress in functionally graded hollow cylinder. Yeo et
al. [29] used recursive method to find analytical solution in
hollow multilayered cylinder. Further, from this analytical
solution stress/displacement was found under thermome-
chanical loading. Atli and Lak [30] presented analysis of
functionally graded piezoelectric hollow cylinder by ob-
taining stresses, strains and displacements under action
of internal and external pressure and temperature gradi-
ent. Tutuncu [31] studied stresses and displacements in
functionally graded cylindrical vessels from power series
solution under constant Poisson’s ratio and exponentially
varing elastic modulus. Wang [32] made transient ther-
mal analysis in functionally graded hollow cylinder under
heat conductivity, mass density and specific heat which
all were vary along radial direction. Tanvir et al. [33] de-
rived stress and strain in FGM cylinder under the effect
of internal pressure, temperature difference, thickness and
material distribution. Zheng et al. [34] used finite differ-
ence method to obtain stress in functionally graded ro-
tating disk, where elastic modulus and mass density fol-
ows power law function of radius of disk. Zenkour [35] de-
scribed effects of temperature and moisture concentration
on piezoelectric cylinder, that cylinder subjected to exter-
nal pressure and electronic potential. Mathena et al. [36]
carried out heat conduction and thermal stress in hollow
cylinder with non homogeneous material properties. Sad-
dalfar [37] analyzed stress distribution in piezomagnetic
rotating thick walled cylinder from constitutive equations.

This paper Investigates, stresses in FGM hollow cylin-
der subjected to internal pressure and uniform heat genera-
tion. Thermoelastic material properties such as thermal
expansion coefficient, modulus of elasticity, thermal con-
ductivity and yield stress are taken as exponential func-
tion of radius of cylinder. By using equilibrium equation
in cylinder and Hooke’s law problem is transform to sec-
ond order differential equation. Finite element method is
used to find numerical solution of differential equation for
isotropic and anisotropic hollow cylinder. Furthermore, ef-
effect of Poisson’s ratio and temperature on normalized ra-
dial, circumferential and axial stress represented graphi-

cally. The analysis shows that in FGM hollow cylinder
stresses can be reduced by taking particular values of ma-
terial parameters.

2 Modelling of cylinder

A FGM cylinder with inner and outer radius $a$ and $b$, re-
respectively is considered, while $T_1$ and $T_0$ are the tem-
peratures at inner and outer surfaces of cylinder. The ma-
terial properties named as coefficients of thermal expansion,
modulus of elasticity, coefficient of thermal conductivity
and yield stress of cylinder are modelled by exponential
variation as shown below:

\begin{align}
\alpha(r) &= a_0 r^{\beta_1} \\
E(r) &= E_0 r^{\beta_1} \\
\lambda(r) &= \lambda_0 r^{\beta_3} \\
\sigma_y(r) &= \sigma_0 r^{\beta_4}
\end{align}

Where $a_0, E_0, \lambda_0, \sigma_0$ are material constants and $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4$ are power law exponents corresponding
to thermal expansion coefficient, modulus of elasticity, thermal conductivity coefficient and yield stress, respectively.

3 Basic equations

We consider general form of heat diffusion equation and boundary conditions in homogenous cylinder given by [3] as:

\[
\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + q = \rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}
\]

\[
\frac{dT}{dr} = 0, \text{ at } r = a \text{ and } T(r) = T_0 \text{ at } r = b
\]

(5)

Where \( r, \theta, z \) are cylindrical coordinates, \( t \) is time, \( T \) is temperature distribution, \( q \) is heat generation per unit time and per unit volume, \( \rho \) is density, \( C_p \) is specific heat.

Since cylinder is constructed with FGM material therefore, problem is assumed to follow axisymmetric temperature distribution. The heat equation (5) reduces to steady state heat equation as:

\[
\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r \lambda \frac{dT}{dr} \right) + q = 0
\]

(6)

After substituting the value of thermal conductivity in equation (6), we obtained temperature distribution as written below:

\[
T(x) = \frac{-q}{2\lambda_0(2 - \beta_3)} r^{2-\beta_3} - C_{1t} r^{-\beta_3} + C_{2t}.
\]

(7)

By applying two boundary conditions, we find the values of constants \( (C_{1t}, C_{2t}) \) and temperature distribution takes form as given below:

\[
T(r) = \frac{-q}{2\lambda_0(2 - \beta_3)} r^{2-\beta_3} - \frac{a^2 q}{2\lambda_0 \beta_3} r^{-\beta_3} + T_0 + \frac{qb^{2-\beta_3}}{2\lambda_0(2 - \beta_3)} + \frac{a^2 q b^{-\beta_3}}{2\lambda_0 \beta_3}.
\]

(8)

4 Problem formulation

With help of equilibrium equation in cylinder, we formulate the problem as follows:

\[
\frac{d\sigma_r}{dr} + \frac{\sigma_r - \sigma_\theta}{r} = 0.
\]

(9)

Where \( \sigma_r \) denotes radial stress component, \( \sigma_\theta \) indicates circumferential stress component and \( r \) denotes radial coordinate of cylinder. By using Hooke’s law, relationship between stress and strain components is written as:

\[
\epsilon_r = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_r - \nu(\sigma_\theta + \sigma_z)] + \alpha T
\]

(10)

\[
\epsilon_\theta = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_\theta - \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_z)] + \alpha T
\]

(11)

\[
\epsilon_z = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_z - \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_\theta)] + \alpha T
\]

(12)

Where \( \epsilon_r, \epsilon_\theta \) and \( \epsilon_z \) denotes radial, circumferential and axial components of strain. The axial strain is independent of radial coordinate for FGM cylinder with fixed ends. Therefore its value is taken as constant.

\[
\epsilon_z = \frac{1}{E} [\sigma_z - \nu(\sigma_\theta + \sigma_r)] + \alpha T = \epsilon_0
\]

(13)

From equation (13) axial stress component can be written as:

\[
\sigma_z = \nu(\sigma_r + \sigma_\theta) + (\epsilon_0 - \alpha T)E
\]

(14)

After putting value of axial stress component in equations (11) and (12), these equations can takes the form as written below:

\[
\epsilon_r = \frac{1}{E} [(1 - \nu^2)\sigma_r - \nu(1 + \nu)\sigma_\theta + (1 + \nu)\alpha T - v\epsilon_\theta E] = \epsilon_1
\]

(15)

\[
\epsilon_\theta = \frac{1}{E} [(1 - \nu^2)\sigma_\theta - \nu(1 + \nu)\sigma_r + (1 + \nu)\alpha T - v\epsilon_r E] = \epsilon_2
\]

(16)

The equilibrium equation in terms of stress function can be written as:

\[
\sigma_r = \frac{\phi}{r}, \quad \sigma_\theta = \frac{d\phi}{dr}
\]

(17)

The radial and circumferential strain components are related to radial coordinates as written below:

\[
\epsilon_r = \frac{du}{dr}
\]

(18)

\[
\epsilon_\theta = \frac{u}{r}
\]

(19)

By using relation between radial and circumferential strain components as given in (18) and (19), we obtain a differential equation as given below:

\[
\frac{d\epsilon_r - \epsilon_\theta}{r} - \frac{d\epsilon_\theta}{dr} = 0
\]

(20)

With help of equation (20), we find differential equation of problem as written below:

\[
\frac{r^2 d^2 \phi}{dr^2} + (1 - \beta_3) \frac{d\phi}{dr} - \left( 1 - \frac{v\beta_2}{1 - v} \right) \phi = \frac{E_0 a_0 q}{2(1 - \nu)\lambda_0} \left[ \frac{\beta_1 b^{2-\beta_3}}{\beta_3 - 2} \mu_{\beta_1,\beta_1+1} + \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_3}{2 - \beta_3} \mu_{\beta_1,\beta_1-\beta_3+3} + \frac{a^2 \beta_3}{\beta_3} \mu_{\beta_1,\beta_1+1} + \frac{a^2 (\beta_3 - \beta_3)}{\beta_3} \mu_{\beta_1,\beta_1-\beta_3+1} \right]
\]

(21)
The equation (21) in simplest form can be written as:
\[
r^2 \frac{d^2 \phi}{dr^2} + \frac{P_1 d\phi}{rdr} - P_2 \phi = P_3 \left[ C_1 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1+1} + C_2 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+3} - C_3 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1+1} + C_4 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+1} \right]
\]
\[
dr^2 + \frac{P_1 d\phi}{rdr} - \frac{P_2}{r^2} \phi = P_3 \left[ C_1 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-1} + C_2 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+3} - C_3 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-1} + C_4 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+1} \right]
\]
\[
(22)
\]
Where \( P_1 = (1 - \beta_2), P_2 = \left(1 - \frac{\nu_2}{r^3}\right), P_3 = \frac{E(\beta_2 - \beta_3)}{4(1-\nu_2)\beta_2}, C_1 = \frac{\beta_2 - \beta_3}{\beta_2 - \beta_1}, C_2 = \frac{\beta_1 - \beta_3}{\beta_2 - \beta_1}, C_3 = \frac{a^2 \nu_2}{r}, \) and \( C_4 = \frac{a^2 (\beta_2 - \beta_1)}{r} \).

5 Finite element solution of problem

In this problem, a standard discretization approach of finite element method is used to solve the differential equation (22). In this discretization the size of each element is equal and total domain is divided into \(N\) elements and then equation is converted into simultaneous equations.

\[
\sum_{j=1}^{2} K_{ij}^e F_j^e = L_i^e; \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, n \quad (23)
\]

Where the value of \(K_{ij}^e\) and \(L_i^e\) is obtained from
\[
K_{ij}^e = \int_{r_e}^{r_e+1} \frac{d\psi_{i}^e}{dr} \frac{d\psi_{j}^e}{dr} dr + \int_{r_e}^{r_e+1} \frac{\phi_{i}^e}{r} \frac{d\phi_{j}^e}{dr} dr
\]
\[- P_2 \int_{r_e}^{r_e+1} \frac{1}{r^2} \phi_i \phi_j dr + \left[ \frac{\phi_i}{r} \frac{d\phi_j}{dr} \right]_{r_e}^{r_e+1}
\]
\[
L_i^e = P_3 \int_{r_e}^{r_e+1} \phi_{i}^e (C_1 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-1} + C_2 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+3} - C_3 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-1} + C_4 r^{\beta_1+\beta_1-\beta_1+1}) dr
\]

Where
\[
\phi_{i}^e = \frac{r_{e+1} - r}{r_{e+1} - r_e}, \quad \phi_{i}^e = \frac{r - r_e}{r_{e+1} - r_e}
\]

6 Application

To achieve numerical results, we assumed that inner radius \(a\) as 1 mm and outer radius \(b\) as 10 mm respectively.

**Figure 1**: Represents normalized temperature and dimensionless radial coordinate

As shown in Figure 1, the highest temperature achieved at inner surface of cylinder and as moved towards outer surface the value of temperature decreases. The maximum normalized temperature obtained when \(R = 0.3\) and minimum value for same is attained at \(R = 1\). The different cases of stress and displacement are calculated numerically by FEM for FGM hollow cylinder and presented graphically as shown below:

**CASE I**: For isotropic hollow cylinder \((\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0)\):

**Figure 2**: Normalized stresses versus dimensionless radial coordinate
Figure 2 display normalized stresses against dimensionless radial coordinate for isotropic hollow cylinder. The cylinder is isotropic because values of all material parameters taken as zero ($\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$). From graph it is cleared that, radial stress is compressive in nature where as circumferential stress and axial stress are compressive in nature at inner surface of cylinder and tensile as moved toward outer surface of cylinder. The maximum value of stresses exists at outer surface of cylinder.

CASE II: Anisotropic hollow cylinder ($\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta$):

- **Figure 3**: Normalized radial stress and dimensionless radial coordinate for different values of $\beta$
- **Figure 4**: Normalized circumferential stress and radial coordinate for different values of $\beta$

Figure 3–5 represents normalized stresses (normalized radial stress, normalized circumferential stress and normalized axial stress) for different values of material properties. We take the values of $\beta$ in range from $-1.7$ to $1.7$. As from Figure 3, it is cleared that, value of normalized radial stress is less for higher value of $\beta$ ($1.7$). Also, normalized radial stress curves are more flexible in nature for positive values of $\beta$. On the other hand the higher value of normalized circumferential stress is obtained for higher values of $\beta$. The normalized circumferential stress is near zero for $\beta = -1.3$ and $\beta = 1.3$ and normalized circumferential stress is more variable in nature for $0.7 \leq R \leq 1$. The behaviour of normalized axial stress curves for are of same in nature as normalized circumferential stress curves. The axial stress is positive for $\beta = -1.3$ and $\beta = 1.3$ but for other values of $\beta$ it changes from positive to negative and than negative to positive.

CASE III: For different values of temperature:

In this case, thermoelastic characteristics are calculated for FGM hollow cylinder under different values of $T_0$. 

**Figure 5**: Normalized axial stress and radial coordinate for different values of $\beta$

**Figure 6**: Normalized radial stress distribution in FGM hollow cylinder with different values $T_0$. 

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Figures 6–8, represent thermoelastic characteristics in FGM hollow cylinder for $T_0 = 0^\circ \text{C}, T_0 = 100^\circ \text{C}, T_0 = 300^\circ \text{C}, T_0 = 500^\circ \text{C}, T_0 = 1000^\circ \text{C}$. It is observed from figures, that there is an inverse relation between normalized stresses and $T_0$ i.e. as the value of $T_0$ increases the values of normalized stress increase, otherwise the behaviour of curves is the same in nature as for different values of $T_0$. The maximum values of stress are attained for minimum value of $T_0$, i.e. $T_0 = 0$.

**CASE IV: For different values of Poisson’s ratio:**

In this section, the effect of Poisson’s ratio on normalized radial, circumferential and axial stress is studied by taking different values of Poisson’s ratio.

It is observed from Figure 9, normalized radial stress is tensile in the range when $0.7 \leq \nu \leq 1$, whereas compressive for remaining range. It is converging to zero at the central region. The maximum value of normalized radial stress is obtained when Poisson’s ratio is 0.5. Figure 10, shown variation of normalized circumferential stress in radial direction for different values of Poisson’s ratio. The normalized circumferential stress is elastic in nature for starting and ending values of dimensionless radial coordinate. The maximum variation exists in nature of curve when the value of Poisson’s ratio is taken as 0.5. In tensile region the behaviour of Normalized curve is firstly increasing in nature, after mid of region then the behaviour of curve decreasing in nature. Figure 11, represents variation of normalized axial stress for different values Poisson’s ratio. The magnitude of axial stress is high for outer surface and confining in nature for middle values of $R$. The behaviour of axial stress curve is compatible for different of Poisson’s ratio.

**Material Properties:**

Figures 12–16 represent a material properties corresponding to different values of $\beta$. From Figure 12, it is ob-
served that modulus of elasticity decreases as the value of \( \beta \) increases. The behaviour of modulus of elasticity curve same for different values of \( \beta \). From Figure 13 it is cleared that maximum variation in thermal conductivity coefficient for values of \( \beta \) exists when \( 0.3 \leq \beta \leq 0.6 \). The behaviour of curve is same in nature for different values of \( \beta \). Figure 14, shown that the behaviour of thermal conductivity coefficient curve is different for negative and positive values of \( \beta \). For negative values of \( \beta \) the behaviour of curve is decreasing in nature on the other hand for positive values of \( \beta \) it is increasing in nature. From Figure 15, It is observed that maximum value of normalized stress is obtained when \( \beta = -1.7 \) and minimum value for \( \beta = 1.7 \). Figure 16, shown that the behaviour of normalized temperature is decreasing for all values of \( \beta \).

7 Conclusion

In the present paper, the thermoelastic analysis of functionally graded hollow cylinder with FEM under radially varying material properties is made. Normalized stress is obtained for different values of \( T_0 \). Further, the effect of Poisson’s ration is investigated by changing the parameter \( v \). The following conclusions could be drawn from the presented study:

- For anisotropic hollow cylinder, maximum variation in stress exists for positive values of \( \beta \) and minimum variation appears for negative values of \( \beta \).
- For homogeneous cylinder the normalized radial stress is less than 0, where the other two stress values are greater than 0 at the last values of \( R \).
- By increasing the values of \( T_0 \), it is observed that value of normalized stress decreases.
Figure 16: Distribution of normalized temperature along radial direction for different values of $\beta$

• Particular cases of Poisson’s ratio study by assigning different values to $\nu$. The behaviour of normalized stress is highly fluctuating when $\nu = 0.5$.

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