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A spectral element model for a spinning uniform shaft is developed. The spinning shaft supported by bearings is represented by the uniform Timoshenko beam model and the bearing-supports are represented by equivalent springs. The variational approach is used to formulate the spectral element model by using the frequency-dependent shape functions derived from exact wave solutions on the frequency-domain governing differential equations. The conventional finite element model is also formulated for evaluating the accuracy of the present spectral element model through some example problems.

### 1. Introduction

Spinning shafts have been extensively used in diverse engineering applications such as motors, engines, turbines, and machine tools. In general, the rotating machines consist of multiple spinning shafts and disks (or blades) which are connected to each other to form rotor systems supported by multiple bearings. As it is very important to predict the dynamic characteristics of the rotor systems accurately in the early design phase, there have been extensive studies on the modeling and analysis of such rotor systems in past decades [Nelson 2003].

In previous studies, the dynamics of spinning shafts were represented by various models. When the diameter of a shaft is large relative to its length and when vibration occurs at high frequencies, deflections due to transverse shear and rotary inertia become important. Thus, many researchers have used the Timoshenko beam models for spinning shafts [Eshleman and Eubanks 1969; Nelson 1980; Ehrich 1992; Zu and Han 1992; Ghoneim and Lawrie 2007; Chen 2010]. In this study, we adopt the Timoshenko beam model used by [Ehrich 1992; Zu and Han 1992].

The early methods used to determine the critical speed of a rotor are Rayleigh's method, Dunkerley's formula, Holzer's method, and the transfer matrix method [Lund 1974]. As the size of the transfer matrix generated to represent a rotor system is not large, the transfer matrix method is very efficient for the analysis of one-dimensional (1D) systems such as rotor systems. However, as the transfer matrix method provides dynamic responses only at the endpoints of a 1D system, postprocessing is necessary to compute the dynamic responses at the interim positions of the system. [Ruhl and Booker 1972] and [Nelson 1980] used FEM to investigate the stability and dynamics of rotor systems. In general, a large number of degrees of freedom (DOFs) are required for an FEM model of a large flexible rotor system, which may result in an increase in the computational cost as well as a widely spread frequency spectrum

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which may include many insignificant vibration modes. To cope with these problems, reduced-order modeling techniques have been introduced [Kane and Torby 1991]. Though reduced-order modeling techniques are useful for reducing the size of FEM models, they are known to degrade the accuracy of FEM solutions.

Thus, as an alternative analysis method, this paper adopts the spectral element method (SEM) for the dynamic analysis of the flexible spinning shafts of a rotor system. SEM may meet two requirements: high accuracy up to the frequency range of interest and the use of a minimum number of DOFs [Doyle 1997; Lee et al. 2000; Vinod et al. 2007; Lee 2009]. Thus, SEM has apparent advantages over the other solution methods such as the transfer matrix method and FEM, especially when it is applied to 1D structural dynamic problems such as rotor systems as well as to structural health monitoring problems. However, though SEM can be also used for nonlinear analysis by using an iterative approach [Lee 2009], conventional FEM can be more efficiently used for nonlinear analysis.

Thus, the purposes of this paper are:

- to develop a spectral element model for the spinning Timoshenko shaft (T-shaft) and
- to apply the spectral element model to investigate the natural frequencies and critical speeds of example spinning shafts.

The results obtained by using the spectral element model are then compared with the results obtained by using the conventional finite element model and the analytical theories available in the literature to verify the accuracy of the spectral element model.

## 2. Governing equations

Consider a spinning flexible uniform shaft subjected to transverse vibrations and represent it as a spinning uniform T-shaft. The equations of motion and relevant boundary conditions for the spinning uniform T-shaft can be derived by using Hamilton's principle [Meirovitch 1980]:

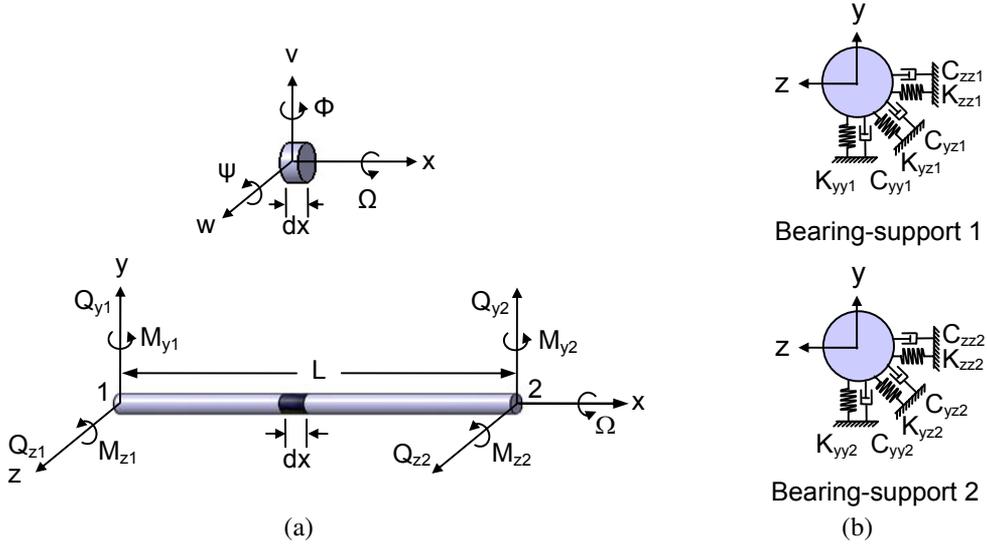
$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (\delta T - \delta U + \delta W) dt = 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $T$  is the kinetic energy,  $U$  is the potential energy, and  $\delta W$  is the virtual work done by external forces and moments. As shown in Figure 1, the uniform T-shaft of circular cross-section is spinning about the central axis  $x$  at a constant speed of  $\Omega$  radians/s and it has length  $L$ , bending rigidity  $EI$ , transverse shear rigidity  $\kappa GA$ , mass per length  $\rho A$ , mass moment of inertia about the  $y$  or  $z$ -axes  $\rho I$ , and polar mass moment of inertia about the  $x$ -axis  $\rho J$ . In Figure 1a,  $v(x, t)$  is the transverse displacement in the  $y$ -direction,  $w(x, t)$  is the transverse displacement in the  $z$ -direction,  $\phi(x, t)$  is the rotation angle about the  $y$ -axis, and  $\psi(x, t)$  is the rotation angle about the  $z$ -axis.

Assuming that the uniform T-shaft takes small amplitude transverse vibrations in the  $y$  and  $z$ -directions, the kinetic and potential energies can be obtained as [Nelson 1980; Ehrich 1992]

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \rho A (\dot{v}^2 + \dot{w}^2) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \rho I (\dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{\psi}^2) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \rho J (\Omega - \phi \dot{\psi})^2 dx, \quad (2)$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI (\phi'^2 + \psi'^2) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \kappa GA [(v' - \psi)^2 + (w' + \phi)^2] dx + \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{K}_{\text{support}(i)} \mathbf{v}_i, \quad (3)$$



**Figure 1.** A spinning uniform shaft: (a) displacement fields and the boundary forces and moments and (b) bearing-supports.

where

$$\mathbf{v}_i = \begin{Bmatrix} v_i \\ w_i \end{Bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{K}_{\text{support}(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{yyi} & K_{yzi} \\ K_{zyi} & K_{zzi} \end{bmatrix} \quad (i = 1, 2). \quad (4)$$

The matrices  $\mathbf{K}_{\text{support}(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{K}_{\text{support}(2)}$  represent the stiffnesses of bearing-supports 1 and 2, as shown in Figure 1b, and the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  represent the transverse displacements at bearing-supports 1 and 2. The dot ( $\dot{\phantom{x}}$ ) and prime ( $\prime$ ) denote the derivatives with respect to the time  $t$  and axial coordinate  $x$ , respectively. In (2), the first integral represents the translational kinetic energy and the other two integrals the rotational kinetic energies. In (3), the first integral represents the strain energy for the transverse bending deformations, the second integral for the transverse shear deformations, and the last term for the bearing-support deformations. The virtual work  $\delta W$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta W = & \int_0^L (p_y \delta v + p_z \delta w + \tau_y \delta \phi + \tau_z \delta \psi) dx + Q_{y1} \delta v_1 + Q_{y2} \delta v_2 + Q_{z1} \delta w_1 + Q_{z2} \delta w_2 \\ & + M_{y1} \delta \phi_1 + M_{y2} \delta \phi_2 + M_{z1} \delta \psi_1 + M_{z2} \delta \psi_2 - f_{\dot{v}_1} \delta v_1 - f_{\dot{w}_1} \delta w_1 - f_{\dot{v}_2} \delta v_2 - f_{\dot{w}_2} \delta w_2, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where  $Q_{yi}$ ,  $Q_{zi}$ ,  $M_{yi}$ , and  $M_{zi}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are the transverse shear forces and bending moments applied at the two ends of the T-shaft as shown in Figure 1a. The forces and bending moments distributed along the  $x$ -axis are  $p_y$ ,  $p_z$ ,  $\tau_y$ , and  $\tau_z$ . The viscous damping forces generated by bearing-supports 1 and 2 are  $f_{\dot{v}_i}$  and  $f_{\dot{w}_i}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ), and they can be computed from

$$f_{\dot{v}_i} = \frac{\partial R}{\partial \dot{v}_i}, \quad f_{\dot{w}_i} = \frac{\partial R}{\partial \dot{w}_i} \quad (i = 1, 2). \quad (6)$$

The Rayleigh's dissipation function  $R$  is given by

$$R = \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_i^T \mathbf{C}_{\text{support}(i)} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_i, \quad (7)$$

where

$$\mathbf{C}_{\text{support}(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{yyi} & C_{yzi} \\ C_{zyi} & C_{zzi} \end{bmatrix} \quad (i = 1, 2), \quad (8)$$

where  $C_{abi}$  ( $a, b = y, z$ ) are viscous damping coefficients of the bearing-supports as shown in [Figure 1b](#).

Substituting (2), (3), and (6) into (1) and then applying the integral by parts, we can obtain the differential equations of motion as

$$\begin{aligned} \rho A \ddot{v} - \kappa GA(v'' - \psi') &= p_y, & \rho I \ddot{\psi} - \rho J \Omega \dot{\phi} - EI \psi'' - \kappa GA(v' - \psi) + \rho J(2\phi \dot{\phi} \dot{\psi} + \phi^2 \ddot{\psi}) &= \tau_z, \\ \rho A \ddot{w} - \kappa GA(w'' + \phi') &= p_z, & \rho I \ddot{\phi} + \rho J \Omega \dot{\psi} - EI \phi'' + \kappa GA(w' + \phi) - \rho J \phi \dot{\psi}^2 &= \tau_y, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

and the natural boundary conditions as

$$\begin{aligned} Q_y(0, t) &= K_{yy1} v_1 + \frac{1}{2} (K_{yz1} + K_{zy1}) w_1 + C_{yy1} \dot{v}_1 + \frac{1}{2} (C_{yz1} + C_{zy1}) \dot{w}_1 - Q_{y1}, \\ Q_y(L, t) &= -K_{yy2} v_2 - \frac{1}{2} (K_{yz2} + K_{zy2}) w_2 - C_{yy2} \dot{v}_2 - \frac{1}{2} (C_{yz2} + C_{zy2}) \dot{w}_2 + Q_{y2}, \\ Q_z(0, t) &= K_{zz1} w_1 + \frac{1}{2} (K_{yz1} + K_{zy1}) v_1 + C_{zz1} \dot{w}_1 + \frac{1}{2} (C_{yz1} + C_{zy1}) \dot{v}_1 - Q_{z1}, \\ Q_z(L, t) &= -K_{zz2} w_2 - \frac{1}{2} (K_{yz2} + K_{zy2}) v_2 - C_{zz2} \dot{w}_2 - \frac{1}{2} (C_{yz2} + C_{zy2}) \dot{v}_2 + Q_{z2}, \\ M_y(0, t) &= -M_{y1}, & M_y(L, t) &= M_{y2}, \\ M_z(0, t) &= -M_{z1}, & M_z(L, t) &= M_{z2}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The force-displacement relations are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Q_y(x, t) &= \kappa GA(v' - \psi), & M_y(x, t) &= EI \phi', \\ Q_z(x, t) &= \kappa GA(w' + \phi), & M_z(x, t) &= EI \psi'. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

By neglecting small nonlinear terms from (9), we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho A \ddot{v} - \kappa GA(v'' - \psi') &= p_y, & \rho I \ddot{\psi} - \rho J \Omega \dot{\phi} - EI \psi'' - \kappa GA(v' - \psi) &= \tau_z, \\ \rho A \ddot{w} - \kappa GA(w'' + \phi') &= p_z, & \rho I \ddot{\phi} + \rho J \Omega \dot{\psi} - EI \phi'' + \kappa GA(w' + \phi) &= \tau_y. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Equations (12) are identical to the governing equations introduced in [\[Ehrich 1992; Zu and Han 1992\]](#).

Equations (12) will be used herein for developing a spectral element model for spinning T-shafts.

### 3. Spectral element modeling

The spectral element model for the spinning uniform T-shaft is derived from the differential equations of motion given by (12). To formulate the spectral element, we represent the solutions of (12), the external forces, and the resultant forces and moments in spectral forms as [\[Lee 2009\]](#)

$$\{v(x, t) \ w(x, t) \ \psi(x, t) \ \phi(x, t)\} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \{V_n(x; \omega_n) \ W_n(x; \omega_n) \ \psi_n(x; \omega_n) \ \phi_n(x; \omega_n)\} e^{i\omega_n t}, \quad (13)$$

$$\{p_y(x, t) \quad p_z(x, t) \quad \tau_y(x, t) \quad \tau_z(x, t)\} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \{P_{yn}(x; \omega_n) \quad P_{zn}(x; \omega_n) \quad T_{yn}(x; \omega_n) \quad T_{zn}(x; \omega_n)\} e^{i\omega_n t}, \quad (14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{Q_y(x, t) \quad Q_z(x, t) \quad M_y(x, t) \quad M_z(x, t)\} \\ = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \{Q_{yn}(x; \omega_n) \quad Q_{zn}(x; \omega_n) \quad M_{yn}(x; \omega_n) \quad M_{zn}(x; \omega_n)\} e^{i\omega_n t}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Substituting (13) and (14) into (12) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa GA(V'' - \psi') + \rho A \omega^2 V + P_y = 0, \quad EI \psi'' + i\omega \Omega \rho J \Phi + \kappa GA(V' - \psi) + \rho I \omega^2 \psi + T_z = 0, \\ \kappa GA(W'' + \Phi') + \rho A \omega^2 W + P_z = 0, \quad EI \Phi'' - i\omega \Omega \rho J \psi - \kappa GA(W' + \Phi) + \rho I \omega^2 \Phi + T_y = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where the subscripts  $n$  are omitted for brevity. Similarly, substituting (13) and (15) into (11) gives

$$\begin{aligned} Q_y(x) = \kappa GA(V' - \psi), \quad M_y(x) = EI \Phi', \\ Q_z(x) = \kappa GA(W' + \Phi), \quad M_z(x) = EI \psi'. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Consider the homogeneous equations reduced from (16) as

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa GA(V'' - \psi') + \rho A \omega^2 V = 0, \quad EI \psi'' + i\omega \Omega \rho J \Phi + \kappa GA(V' - \psi) + \rho I \omega^2 \psi = 0, \\ \kappa GA(W'' + \Phi') + \rho A \omega^2 W = 0, \quad EI \Phi'' - i\omega \Omega \rho J \psi - \kappa GA(W' + \Phi) + \rho I \omega^2 \Phi = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Assume the homogeneous solutions of (18) as

$$V(x) = ae^{-ikx}, \quad W(x) = ta e^{-ikx}, \quad \psi(x) = rae^{-ikx}, \quad \Phi(x) = t\hat{r}ae^{-ikx}. \quad (19)$$

Substitution of (19) into (18) yields an eigenvalue problem as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & -\sigma_3 & 0 & 0 \\ \sigma_3 & \sigma_2 & 0 & -\sigma_4 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_1 & \sigma_3 \\ 0 & \sigma_4 & -\sigma_3 & \sigma_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ r \\ t \\ t\hat{r} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (20)$$

where

$$\sigma_1 = k^2 \kappa GA - \omega^2 \rho A, \quad \sigma_2 = k^2 EI + \kappa GA - \omega^2 \rho I, \quad \sigma_3 = ik \kappa GA, \quad \sigma_4 = i\omega \Omega \rho J. \quad (21)$$

From (20), we can get a dispersion equation as

$$\begin{aligned} k^8 - 2(\eta_1 k_F^4 + k_G^4)k^6 + (\eta_1^2 k_F^8 + 4\eta_1 k_G^4 k_F^4 + k_G^8 - 2k_F^4 - \eta_2^{-2} \eta_3^2 \Omega^2 \omega^2)k^4 \\ + (-2\eta_1^2 k_G^4 k_F^8 - 2\eta_1 k_G^8 k_F^4 + 2\eta_1 k_F^8 + 2k_F^4 k_G^4 + 2k_F^4 \eta_2^{-1} \eta_3^2 \Omega^2 \omega^2)k^2 \\ + \eta_1^2 k_G^8 k_F^8 - 2\eta_1 k_G^4 k_F^8 + (1 - \eta_3^2 \Omega^2 \omega^2)k_F^8 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

where

$$k_F = \sqrt{\omega} \left( \frac{\rho A}{EI} \right)^{1/4}, \quad k_G = \sqrt{\omega} \left( \frac{\rho A}{\kappa GA} \right)^{1/4}, \quad \eta_1 = \frac{\rho I}{\rho A}, \quad \eta_2 = \frac{EI}{\kappa GA}, \quad \eta_3 = \frac{\rho J}{\kappa GA}. \quad (23)$$

Eight wavenumbers  $k_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ ) can be computed from (22). By substituting each wavenumber into (20), we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} r_j &= ik_j^{-1}(k_G^4 - k_j^2), \quad \hat{r}_j = -r_j, \\ t_j &= -(i\eta_3\Omega\omega)^{-1}r_j^{-1}[ik_j + (\eta_2k_j^2 - \eta_1k_G^4)r_j] \end{aligned} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, 8). \quad (24)$$

By using the eight wavenumbers computed from (22), the homogeneous solutions of (18) can be obtained as

$$V(x) = N_v(x; \omega)\mathbf{d}, \quad W(x) = N_w(x; \omega)\mathbf{d}, \quad \psi(x) = N_\psi(x; \omega)\mathbf{d}, \quad \Phi(x) = N_\phi(x; \omega)\mathbf{d}. \quad (25)$$

where

$$\mathbf{d} = \{V_1 \ \psi_1 \ W_1 \ \Phi_1 \ V_2 \ \psi_2 \ W_2 \ \Phi_2\}^T \equiv \{V(0) \ \psi(0) \ W(0) \ \Phi(0) \ V(L) \ \psi(L) \ W(L) \ \Phi(L)\}^T \quad (26)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N_v(x; \omega) &= \mathbf{e}_v(x)\mathbf{H}_B^{-1}, & N_w(x; \omega) &= \mathbf{e}_w(x)\mathbf{H}_B^{-1}, \\ N_\psi(x; \omega) &= \mathbf{e}_\psi(x)\mathbf{H}_B^{-1}, & N_\phi(x; \omega) &= \mathbf{e}_\phi(x)\mathbf{H}_B^{-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

with the use of the following definitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_v(x) &= [e^{-ik_1x} \ e^{ik_1x} \ e^{-ik_3x} \ e^{ik_3x} \ e^{-ik_5x} \ e^{ik_5x} \ e^{-ik_7x} \ e^{ik_7x}], \\ \mathbf{e}_\psi(x) &= \mathbf{e}_v(x)\mathbf{R}, \quad \mathbf{e}_w(x) = \mathbf{e}_v(x)\mathbf{T}, \quad \mathbf{e}_\phi(x) = -\mathbf{e}_v(x)\mathbf{T}\mathbf{R}, \\ \mathbf{H}_B &= \left[ \mathbf{e}_v^T(0) \ \mathbf{e}_\psi^T(0) \ \mathbf{e}_w^T(0) \ \mathbf{e}_\phi^T(0) \ \mathbf{e}_v^T(L) \ \mathbf{e}_\psi^T(L) \ \mathbf{e}_w^T(L) \ \mathbf{e}_\phi^T(L) \right]^T, \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where

$$\mathbf{R} = \text{diag}[r_j], \quad \mathbf{T} = \text{diag}[t_j] \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, 8). \quad (29)$$

$N_v$ ,  $N_\psi$ ,  $N_w$ , and  $N_\phi$  are the frequency-dependent dynamic shape function matrices and  $\mathbf{d}$  is the spectral nodal DOFs vector for the transverse bending vibrations of the spinning shaft.

To formulate the spectral element equation, the weak form of (16) are obtained in the form

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^L [EI(\Phi'\delta\Phi' + \psi'\delta\psi') + \kappa GA(V'\delta V' + W'\delta W') - \kappa GA(\psi\delta V' + V'\delta\psi) \\ &\quad + \kappa GA(\Phi\delta W' + W'\delta\Phi) + \kappa GA(\Phi\delta\Phi + \psi\delta\psi)] dx \\ &+ \int_0^L i\omega\Omega\rho J(\psi\delta\Phi - \Phi\delta\psi) dx - \int_0^L \omega^2[\rho A(V\delta V + W\delta W) + \rho I(\Phi\delta\Phi + \psi\delta\psi)] dx \\ &= \int_0^L (P_y\delta V + T_z\delta\psi + P_z\delta W + T_y\delta\phi) dx + Q_y\delta V|_0^L + M_z\delta\psi|_0^L + Q_z\delta W|_0^L + M_y\delta\Phi|_0^L. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Substituting (25) into (30) and applying the associated boundary conditions, we can get

$$\mathbf{S}(\omega)\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{f}_c + \mathbf{f}_d, \quad (31)$$

where  $\mathbf{S}(\omega)$  is the spectral element matrix given by

$$\mathbf{S}(\omega) = \mathbf{H}^{-T}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{H}^{-1} + \mathbf{K}_{\text{support}} + i\omega\mathbf{C}_{\text{support}}, \quad (32)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}(\omega) = & -EI(\mathbf{RTKEKTR} + \mathbf{RKEKTR}) - \kappa GA(\mathbf{KEK} + \mathbf{TKEKT}) + i\kappa GA(\mathbf{KER} + \mathbf{REK}) \\ & + i\kappa GA(\mathbf{TKETR} + \mathbf{RTEKT}) + \kappa GA(\mathbf{RTETR} + \mathbf{RER}) - \omega^2 \rho A(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{TET}) \\ & - \omega^2 \rho I(\mathbf{RTETR} + \mathbf{RER}) - i\omega \Omega \rho J(\mathbf{RTER} - \mathbf{RETR}), \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{\text{support}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{K}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C}_{\text{support}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{C}_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (34)$$

with the use of following definitions:

$$\mathbf{E}(\omega) = \int_0^L \mathbf{e}_v^T \mathbf{e}_v dx \equiv [E_{lm}] = \begin{cases} \frac{i}{k_l + k_m} [e^{-i(k_l + k_m)L} - 1] & \text{if } k_l + k_m \neq 0, \\ L & \text{if } k_l + k_m = 0, \end{cases} \quad (35)$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \text{diag}[k_j] \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, 8), \quad (36)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_i = \begin{bmatrix} K_{yyi} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(K_{yzi} + K_{zyi}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(K_{yzi} + K_{zyi}) & 0 & K_{zzi} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (i = 1, 2), \quad (37)$$

$$\mathbf{C}_i = \begin{bmatrix} C_{yyi} & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(C_{yzi} + C_{zyi}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(C_{yzi} + C_{zyi}) & 0 & C_{zzi} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (i = 1, 2). \quad (38)$$

In (31),  $\mathbf{f}_c$  represents the spectral nodal forces and moments due to the concentrated forces and moments, while  $\mathbf{f}_d$  represents the ones due to the distributed forces and moments. They are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}_c &= \{Q_{y1} \ M_{z1} \ Q_{z1} \ M_{y1} \ Q_{y2} \ M_{z2} \ Q_{z2} \ M_{y2}\}^T, \\ \mathbf{f}_d &= \int_0^L [P_y(x) \mathbf{N}_v^T(x) + T_z(x) \mathbf{N}_\psi^T(x) + P_z(x) \mathbf{N}_w^T(x) + T_y(x) \mathbf{N}_\phi^T(x)] dx \\ &= \{F_{v1} \ F_{\psi1} \ F_{w1} \ F_{\phi1} \ F_{v2} \ F_{\psi2} \ F_{w2} \ F_{\phi2}\}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

The last term of (33) is skew symmetric and represents the gyroscopic effect.

#### 4. Spectral element analysis

The spectral element (31) can be assembled in an analogous way as in conventional FEM. After imposing the relevant boundary conditions, a global dynamic stiffness matrix equation can be obtained in the form

$$\mathbf{S}_g(\omega) \mathbf{d}_g = \mathbf{f}_{cg} + \mathbf{f}_{dg} = \mathbf{f}_g, \quad (40)$$

where the subscripts  $g$  denote the quantities for the assembled global spinning shaft system. As the spectral element matrix  $\mathbf{S}(\omega)$  is formulated by using exact wave solutions to the frequency-domain governing differential equations, only one element will suffice for modeling a regular shaft of any length in the absence of any discontinuity or irregularity in the geometrical and material properties.

The natural frequencies  $\omega_{\text{NAT}}$  of a global system can be computed from the condition that the determinant of the global dynamic stiffness matrix vanishes at  $\omega_{\text{NAT}}$ . That is

$$\det \mathbf{S}_g(\omega_{\text{NAT}}) = 0. \quad (41)$$

To compute the roots (that is, natural frequencies  $\omega_{\text{NAT}}$ ) of (41), we can use a proper root-searching algorithm in conjunction with the Wittrick–William algorithm [Wittrick and Williams 1971] not to miss any roots within a frequency range specified during the root search. The spectral nodal DOFs can be exactly computed from (40) as

$$\mathbf{d}_g = \mathbf{S}_g(\omega)^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{f}_g = \mathbf{T}_g(\omega) \mathbf{f}_g, \quad (42)$$

where  $\mathbf{T}_g(\omega) = \mathbf{S}_g(\omega)^{-1}$  is the system transfer matrix (or frequency response function). Thus, (42) implies that the spectral nodal DOFs can be computed by convolving the system transfer matrix with the spectral nodal forces and moments. Once the spectral nodal DOFs are computed from (42), one can readily use the inverse FFT to compute the time history of the dynamic responses.

## 5. Numerical examples

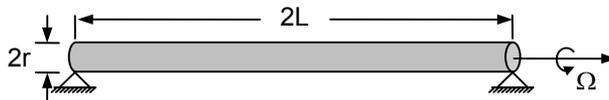
**5.1. Simply supported uniform shaft.** Consider a simply supported uniform shaft as shown in Figure 2. The geometric and material properties of the uniform shaft are given as follows: length  $2L = 2$  m, radius  $r = 0.02$  m, mass density  $\rho = 7700$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>, Young’s modulus  $E = 207$  GPa, shear modulus 77.6 GPa, and shear correction factor for the circular cross-section  $\kappa = 0.9$ .

To verify the accuracy of the present spectral element model, the natural frequencies of the stationary (nonspinning) uniform shaft obtained by using the present spectral element model are compared in Table 1 with those obtained by using the finite element model (see the Appendix) as well as with those obtained by using the analytical formula given by [Blevins 1979] as

$$f_n = \bar{f}_n \alpha_n \sqrt{\beta_n - \sqrt{\beta_n^2 - \eta_1^{-1} \eta_2^{-1}}} \text{ Hz}, \quad (43)$$

where  $\bar{f}_n$  are the natural frequencies of the simply supported, stationary uniform Bernoulli–Euler beam and

$$\alpha_n = \frac{L}{n\pi}, \quad \beta_n = \frac{1}{2}[\eta_1^{-1} + (1 + \alpha_n^2 \eta_1^{-1}) \eta_2^{-1}]. \quad (44)$$



**Figure 2.** A simply supported uniform shaft, where  $\Omega$  is the spinning speed.

Mode	FEM ( $n$ )					SEM (1)	[Blevins 1979]
	$n = 2$	$n = 10$	$n = 30$	$n = 50$	$n = 100$		
1st	20.43	20.35	20.35	20.35	20.35	20.35	20.35
2nd	90.35	81.23	81.29	81.29	81.29	81.29	81.29
3rd	226.9	182.6	182.5	182.5	182.5	182.5	182.5
4th	414.1	324.0	323.3	323.3	323.3	323.3	323.3
5th	-	505.8	503.1	503.0	502.9	502.9	502.9
10th	-	2232	1952	1947	1945	1945	1945
15th	-	5521	4228	4182	4166	4160	4160
20th	-	10261	7260	7058	6982	6956	6956

**Table 1.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the simply supported stationary uniform shaft ( $\Omega = 0$  rpm), with  $n$  the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

For the spectral element analysis, the whole uniform shaft is represented by using a single element, that is, a one-element model. On the other hand, for the finite element analysis, the total number of finite elements used in the analysis is increased step by step until the FEM results converge to the exact analytical results. Table 1 shows that the SEM results are indeed identical to those obtained by the analytical formula (43), while the FEM results converge to the SEM results (or the exact results) as the total number of finite elements used in the finite element analysis is increased. For instance, Table 1 shows, for the present example problem, that more than 100 finite elements must be used for the finite element analysis to satisfy an accuracy of five significant figures for the fifth and higher natural frequencies while the one-element model suffices for the spectral element analysis. The maximum number of natural frequencies which can be obtained by finite element analysis is certainly limited by the total number of finite elements used in the analysis (for example, four natural frequencies when two finite elements are used, as shown in Table 1), while the present spectral element analysis provides an infinite number of natural frequencies.

The natural frequencies of the spinning uniform shaft are compared in Table 2. It is assumed that the uniform shaft is spinning at a constant speed of 3600 rpm. The SEM results are compared with those obtained by using the finite element model as well as with those obtained from the analytical formula given by [Zu and Han 1992] as

$$\sin\left(\frac{L}{\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{\chi_1\eta_5 + \sqrt{\chi_1^2\eta_5^2 - 4\chi_2}}\right) = 0, \quad (45)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_1 &= -\eta_6\Omega\omega + (\eta_1 + \eta_2)\omega^2, & \eta_4 &= \frac{\rho I}{\kappa GA}, & \eta_5 &= \frac{\rho A}{EI}, & \eta_6 &= \frac{\rho J}{\rho A}. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

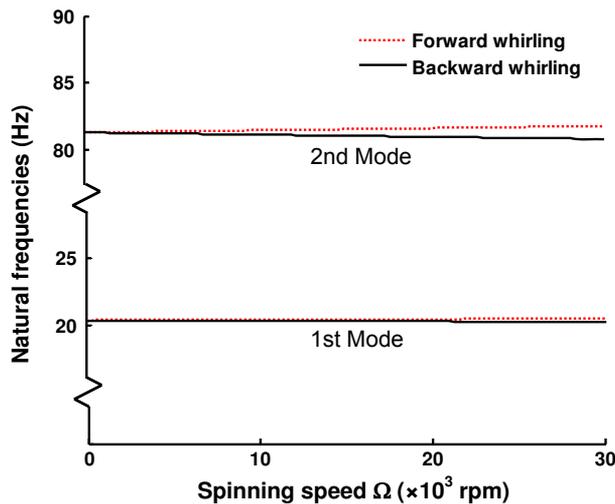
$$\chi_2 = -\omega - \eta_3\Omega\omega^3 + \eta_4\omega^4,$$

Table 2 also shows that the natural frequencies for both forward and backward whirling modes obtained by using the spectral element model (the one-element model) are very close to the results obtained by using the analytical formula (45), while those obtained by using the finite element model converge to the SEM results as the total number of finite elements used in the finite element analysis is increased. Figure 3 shows the spinning speed  $\Omega$ -dependence of the first and second natural frequencies, all computed

Mode	FEM ( $n$ )					SEM (1)	Z&H
	$n = 2$	$n = 10$	$n = 30$	$n = 50$	$n = 100$		
1st	forward	20.45	20.37	20.37	20.37	20.37	20.37
	backward	20.42	20.34	20.34	20.34	20.34	20.34
2nd	forward	90.41	81.36	81.34	81.34	81.34	81.34
	backward	90.29	81.24	81.23	81.23	81.23	81.23
3rd	forward	227.1	182.7	182.6	182.6	182.6	182.6
	backward	226.8	182.5	182.3	182.3	182.3	182.3
4th	forward	414.4	324.3	323.5	323.5	323.5	323.5
	backward	413.9	323.8	323.1	323.0	323.0	323.0
5th	forward	-	506.1	503.4	503.3	503.3	503.3
	backward	-	505.4	502.7	502.6	502.6	502.6
10th	forward	-	2234	1953	1948	1947	1946
	backward	-	2231	1951	1946	1944	1943
15th	forward	-	5524	4231	4185	4168	4163
	backward	-	5518	4225	4180	4163	4158
20th	forward	-	10267	7264	7061	6985	6961
	backward	-	10255	7257	7054	6978	6954

**Table 2.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the simply supported spinning uniform shaft ( $\Omega = 3600$  rpm), with  $n$  the total number of finite elements used in the analysis, and where Z&H indicates data from [Zu and Han 1992].

by using the present spectral element model. Figure 3 shows that both forward and backward whirling modes appear when the uniform shaft starts spinning.



**Figure 3.** Natural frequencies versus spinning speed  $\Omega$  of the simply supported uniform shaft.

Mode	FEM ( $n$ )					SEM (1)	E&E
	$n = 2$	$n = 10$	$n = 30$	$n = 50$	$n = 100$		
1st	forward	20.44	20.36	20.36	20.36	20.36	20.36
	backward	20.43	20.35	20.35	20.35	20.35	20.35
2nd	forward	90.44	81.38	81.37	81.36	81.36	81.36
	backward	90.26	81.22	81.21	81.21	81.21	81.21
3rd	forward	227.5	183.0	182.9	182.8	182.8	182.8
	backward	226.4	182.2	182.1	182.0	182.0	182.0
4th	forward	415.9	325.3	324.6	324.5	324.5	324.5
	backward	412.4	322.8	322.1	322.0	322.0	322.0
5th	forward	-	508.8	506.1	506.0	506.0	506.0
	backward	-	502.8	500.1	500.0	500.0	499.9
10th	forward	-	2289	2001	1995	1994	1989
	backward	-	2180	1912	1907	1906	1901
15th	forward	-	5835	4413	4360	4341	4350
	backward	-	5252	4063	4022	4007	3971
20th	forward	-	11449	7770	7548	7465	7454
	backward	-	10971	6752	6563	6489	6462

**Table 3.** Critical speeds (in Hz) of the simply supported spinning uniform shaft, with  $n$  the total number of finite elements used in the analysis, and where E&E indicates data from [Eshleman and Eubanks 1969].

The critical speeds of the uniform shaft are compared in Table 3. The critical speeds of a spinning shaft are defined by the spinning speeds which are identical to the natural frequencies of the shaft. As the gyroscopic effect will change the effective compliance of the shaft to raise or lower the natural frequencies, one critical speed is raised (forward whirling mode) while one is lowered (backward whirling mode). The critical speeds obtained by using the present spectral element model are compared with the results obtained by using the finite element model and the analytical formula given by [Eshleman and Eubanks 1969] as

$$\Omega_n = \begin{cases} \bar{f}_n \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_n^2}{\alpha_n^2 + \eta_2 - \eta_1}} \text{ (Hz)} & \text{(forward whirling),} \\ \bar{f}_n \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_n^2}{\alpha_n^2 + \eta_2 + 3\eta_1}} \text{ (Hz)} & \text{(backward whirling).} \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

It is also obvious from Table 3 that the critical speeds of the present spectral element model (the one-element model) are very close to the results of the analytical formula (47), while the FEM results certainly converge to the SEM results as the total number of finite elements used in the finite element analysis is increased.

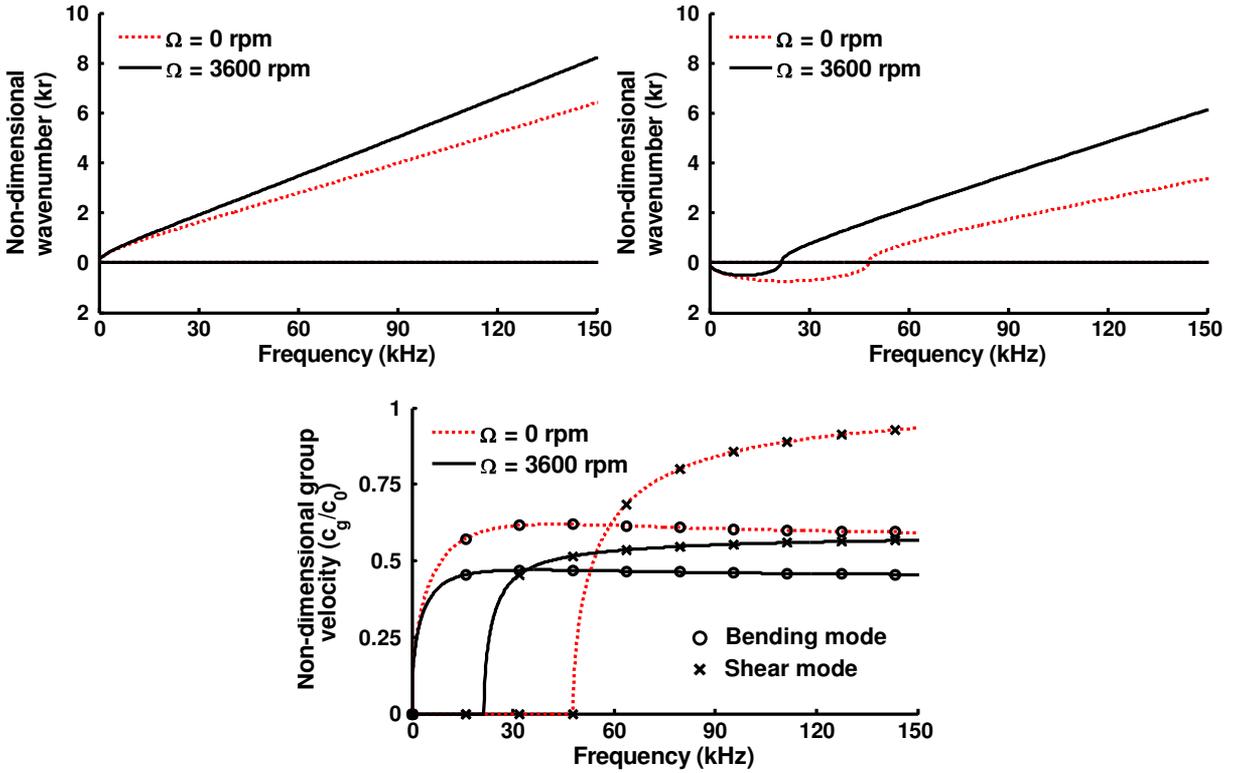


Figure 4. Dispersion curves of the simply supported uniform shaft.

In summary, the results displayed in Tables 1, 2, and 3 confirm the accuracy of the present spectral element model when compared with the conventional finite element model which is provided in the Appendix.

Lastly, Figure 4 compares the dispersion curves when the shaft is stationary and rotating at a constant speed of 3600 rpm. In the last graph, the group velocities are nondimensionalized with respect to  $c_0 = \sqrt{EI/\rho A}$ . Figure 4 shows that the group velocity of the bending (flexural) wave mode decreases as the shaft rotates. For the shear wave mode, the cutoff frequency shifts to a lower frequency as the shaft rotates and its group velocity also decreases at higher frequencies than the cutoff frequency.

**5.2. Bearing-supported uniform shaft.** To investigate the effect of the stiffness and damping of the bearing-supports on the natural and critical speeds of a spinning shaft, we consider a bearing-supported uniform shaft as shown in Figure 5 as the second example problem. The geometric and material properties for the bearing-supported uniform shaft are exactly same as those for the previous simply supported

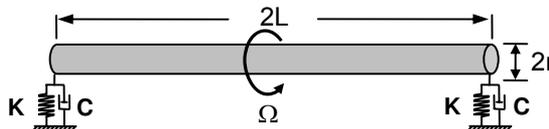


Figure 5. A bearing-supported uniform shaft, where  $\Omega$  is the spinning speed.

uniform shaft. It is assumed that the stiffness and damping properties of the left bearing-support are identical to those of the right. For the stiffness and damping properties of the bearing-supports, we consider three cases:

- Case A:  $K_{yy} = K_{zz} = 1.0 \times 10^6$  N/m,  $K_{yz} = K_{zy} = 0$  N/m,  $C_{yy} = C_{zz} = 400$  Ns/m, and  $C_{yz} = C_{zy} = 0$  Ns/m;
- Case B:  $K_{yy} = K_{zz} = 1.0 \times 10^8$  N/m,  $K_{yz} = K_{zy} = 0$  N/m,  $C_{yy} = C_{zz} = 400$  Ns/m, and  $C_{yz} = C_{zy} = 0$  Ns/m;
- Case C:  $K_{yy} = K_{zz} = 1.0 \times 10^6$  N/m,  $K_{yz} = K_{zy} = 0$  N/m,  $C_{yy} = C_{zz} = 800$  Ns/m, and  $C_{yz} = C_{zy} = 0$  Ns/m.

Compared to Case A, Case B has higher stiffness, while Case C has lower damping.

For these three cases of bearing-supported uniform shaft problems, exact solutions are not available from the literature. Thus, as shown in Tables 4, 5, and 6, the FEM results are also provided as reference solutions to evaluate the present SEM results. The one-element model suffices for accurate SEM results. On the other hand, a sufficient number of finite elements (100 finite elements) are used to obtain sufficiently converged accurate FEM results.

Table 4 shows the lowest three natural frequencies for uniform shafts which are not spinning, while Table 5 shows the forward and backward natural frequencies of the lowest three modes for uniform shafts which are spinning at  $\Omega = 3600$  rpm. Lastly Table 6 shows the forward and backward critical speeds of

Mode	Case A		Case B		Case C	
	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)
1st	19.13	19.13	20.34	20.34	19.14	19.14
2nd	63.61	63.61	81.08	81.08	64.19	64.19
3rd	110.6	110.6	181.4	181.4	111.5	111.5

**Table 4.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the simply supported stationary stepped shafts ( $\Omega = 0$  rpm), with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

Mode		Case A		Case B		Case C	
		SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)
1st	forward	19.14	19.14	20.35	20.35	19.15	19.15
	backward	19.12	19.12	20.32	20.32	19.13	19.13
2nd	forward	63.64	63.64	81.14	81.14	64.22	64.22
	backward	63.59	63.59	81.02	81.02	64.17	64.17
3rd	forward	110.7	110.7	181.5	181.5	111.6	111.6
	backward	110.6	110.6	181.3	181.3	111.5	111.5

**Table 5.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the simply supported spinning stepped shafts ( $\Omega = 3600$  rpm), with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

Mode	Case A		Case B		Case C		
	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	
1st	forward	19.14	19.14	20.34	20.34	19.143	19.143
	backward	19.13	19.13	20.33	20.33	19.136	19.136
2nd	forward	63.64	63.64	81.16	81.16	64.22	64.22
	backward	63.59	63.59	81.00	81.00	64.17	64.17
3rd	forward	110.7	110.7	181.8	181.8	111.6	111.6
	backward	110.5	110.5	181.0	181.0	111.4	111.4

**Table 6.** Critical speeds (in Hz) of the simply supported spinning stepped shafts, with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

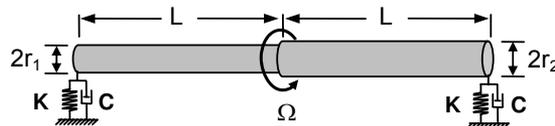
the lowest three modes. The effects of the stiffness and damping of the bearing-supports on the natural frequencies and critical speeds can be observed in Tables 4, 5, and 6. When compared with Case A, both Cases B, with bearing-supports of higher stiffness, and C, with bearing-supports of higher damping, have higher natural frequencies and critical speeds.

**5.3. Bearing-supported stepped shaft.** As the third example problem, consider a bearing-supported stepped shaft which consists of two uniform shafts of equal length  $L = 1$  m as shown in Figure 6. The material properties for the two uniform shafts are identical to those used the previous two example problems. The spring constants and viscous damping coefficients for the left and right bearing-supports are identical, and they are assumed to be identical to those for Case A of the previous bearing-supported uniform shaft problem. For the radii of the two equal-length uniform shafts, we consider three cases:

- Case I:  $r_1 = r_2 = 0.02$  m;
- Case II:  $r_1 = 0.02$  m,  $r_2 = 0.01$  m;
- Case III:  $r_1 = 0.02$  m,  $r_2 = 0.03$  m.

Exact solutions are not available from the literature for these three cases of bearing-supported stepped shaft problems. Thus, as shown in Tables 7, 8, and 9, the FEM results are also provided as the reference solutions to evaluate the present SEM results. A sufficient number of finite elements (100 finite elements) is used to obtain sufficiently converged accurate FEM results. For the SEM results, a one-element model is used for Case I, while two-element models are used for Cases II and III due to the existence of a single geometric discontinuity at the middle of the stepped shafts.

Table 7 displays the lowest three natural frequencies when the stepped shafts are not spinning, while Table 8 displays the forward and backward natural frequencies of the lowest three modes when the stepped shafts are spinning at  $\Omega = 3600$  rpm. Lastly Table 9 displays the forward and backward critical



**Figure 6.** A bearing-supported stepped shaft, where  $\Omega$  is the spinning speed.

speeds of the lowest three modes. The natural frequencies and critical speeds for Case III are shown to be higher than for Cases I and II for the first mode. However, for the second and third modes, the values for Case I are higher than for Cases II and III. In addition, the natural frequencies and critical speeds given in Tables 7, 8, and 9 for the bearing-supported uniform shaft (Case I) are shown to be lower than the values given in Tables 1, 2, and 3 for the simply supported uniform shaft.

Figure 7 shows the first three normalized modes of the transverse displacement  $v(x, t)$  when the stepped shafts are spinning at  $\Omega = 0$  rpm and  $\Omega = 3600$  rpm. The mode shapes for the stepped shafts

Mode	Case I		Case II		Case III	
	SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)
1st	19.13	19.13	9.563	9.563	19.28	19.28
2nd	63.61	63.61	56.32	56.32	58.46	58.46
3rd	110.6	110.6	93.15	93.15	103.2	103.2

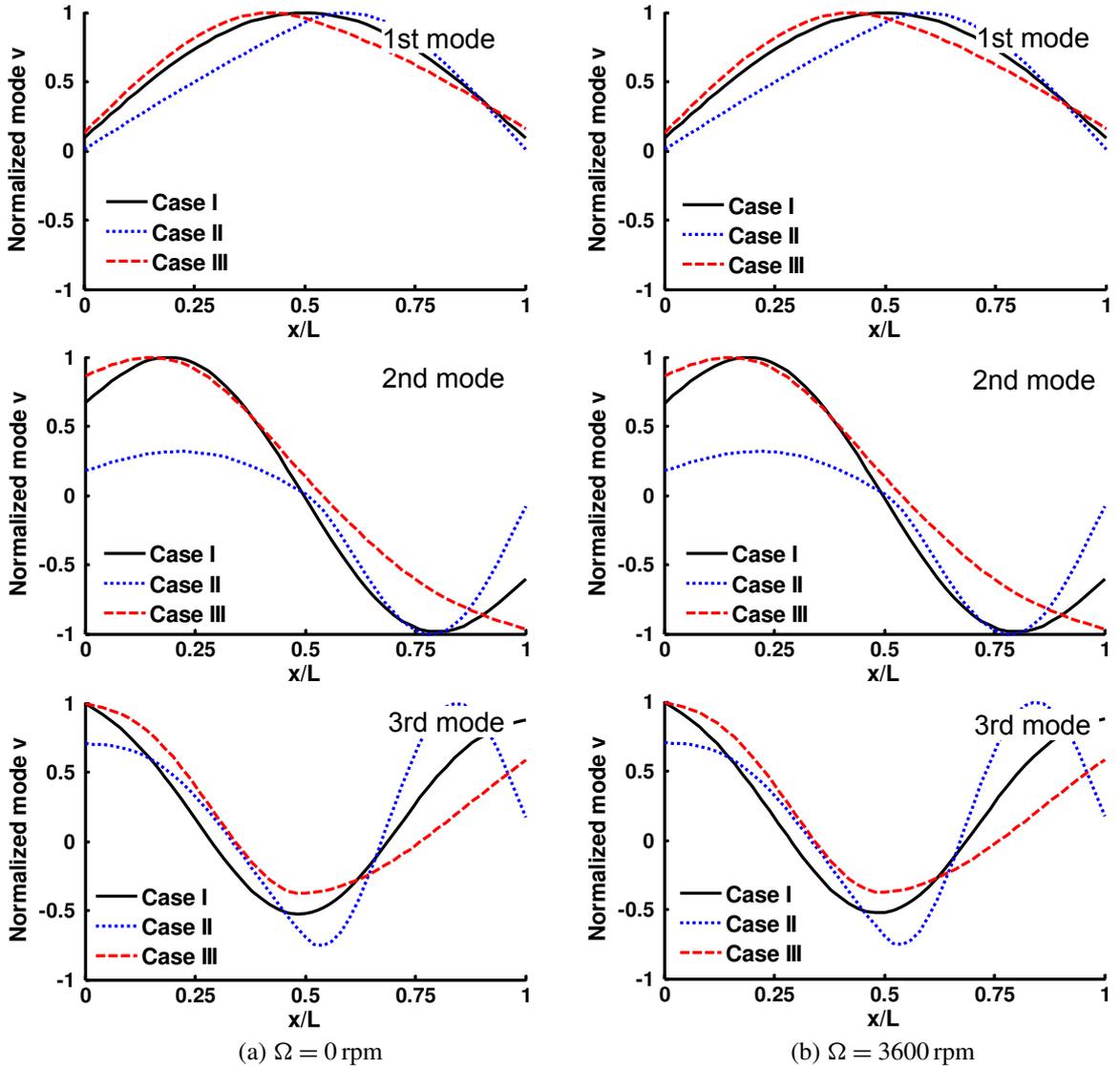
**Table 7.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the bearing-supported stationary stepped shafts ( $\Omega = 0$  rpm), with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

Mode		Case I		Case II		Case III	
		SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)
1st	forward	19.14	19.14	9.578	9.578	19.29	19.29
	backward	19.12	19.12	9.551	9.551	19.26	19.26
2nd	forward	63.64	63.64	56.34	56.34	58.51	58.51
	backward	63.59	63.59	56.30	56.30	58.42	58.42
3rd	forward	110.7	110.7	93.20	93.20	103.3	103.3
	backward	110.6	110.6	93.10	93.10	103.1	103.1

**Table 8.** Natural frequencies (in Hz) of the bearing-supported spinning stepped shafts ( $\Omega = 3600$  rpm), with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.

Mode		Case I		Case II		Case III	
		SEM (1)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)	SEM (2)	FEM (100)
1st	forward	19.14	19.14	9.565	9.565	19.28	19.28
	backward	19.13	19.13	9.561	9.561	19.27	19.27
2nd	forward	63.64	63.64	56.34	56.34	58.51	58.51
	backward	63.59	63.59	56.30	56.30	58.42	58.42
3rd	forward	110.7	110.7	93.23	93.23	103.4	103.4
	backward	110.5	110.5	93.07	93.07	103.1	103.1

**Table 9.** Critical speeds (in Hz) of the bearing-supported spinning stepped shafts, with the number in parentheses being the total number of finite elements used in the analysis.



**Figure 7.** The first three normalized modes of the bearing-supported stepped shafts.

(Cases II and III) are shown to deviate significantly from those for the uniform shaft (Case I) at both  $\Omega = 0$  rpm and  $\Omega = 3600$  rpm. Though the mode shapes are dependent on the spinning speed, Figure 7 shows that the change of mode shapes at  $\Omega = 3600$  rpm is not so significant for the example shafts considered herein.

## 6. Conclusions

This paper develops a spectral element model for a spinning uniform shaft. The spinning uniform shaft is represented by a spinning uniform Timoshenko beam model and its bearing-supports are represented

by two translational springs and two rotational springs. The spectral element model is then used to investigate the natural frequencies and critical speeds of the simply supported and bearing-supported spinning uniform shafts and the results are compared with the results obtained by using the conventional finite element model and the analytical theories available in existing references. It is numerically shown that the present spectral element model provides extremely accurate results by using only a small number of finite elements when compared with the conventional finite element model. In addition, some numerical investigation is also conducted for the bearing-supported stepped shafts.

### Appendix: Finite element model

The equations of motion for the transverse bending vibration are given by (10) and the corresponding weak form can be derived in the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^L [EI(\phi'\delta\phi' + \psi'\delta\psi') + \kappa GA(v'\delta v' + w'\delta w') - \kappa GA(\psi\delta v' + v'\delta\psi) + \kappa GA(\phi\delta w' + w'\delta\phi) \\ & + \kappa GA(\phi\delta\phi + \psi\delta\psi)] dx + \int_0^L \Omega\rho J(\dot{\psi}\delta\phi - \dot{\phi}\delta\psi) dx + \int_0^L [\rho A(\ddot{v}\delta v + \ddot{w}\delta w) + \rho I(\ddot{\phi}\delta\phi + \ddot{\psi}\delta\psi)] dx \\ & = \int_0^L (p_y\delta v + \tau_z\delta\psi + p_z\delta w + \tau_y\delta\phi) dx + Q_y\delta v|_0^L + M_z\delta\psi|_0^L + Q_z\delta w|_0^L + M_y\delta\phi|_0^L. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

The displacement fields  $v(x, t)$ ,  $w(x, t)$ ,  $\phi(x, t)$ , and  $\psi(x, t)$  are represented by

$$v = N_v(x)\mathbf{d}(t), \quad w = N_w(x)\mathbf{d}(t), \quad \phi = N_\phi(x)\mathbf{d}(t), \quad \psi = N_\psi(x)\mathbf{d}(t), \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where

$$\mathbf{d}(t) = \{\mathbf{d}_1(t) \ \mathbf{d}_2(t)\}^T, \quad \mathbf{d}_j(t) = \{v_j(t) \ \psi_j(t) \ w_j(t) \ \phi_j(t)\}^T \quad (j = 1, 2), \quad (\text{A.3})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N_v(x) &= [(1 - \xi)(2 - \xi - \xi^2 + 6r)(R/4) \ L(1 - \xi^2)(1 - \xi + 3r)(R/8) \ 0 \ 0 \\ &\quad (1 + \xi)(2 + \xi - \xi^2 + 6r)(R/4) \ -L(1 - \xi^2)(1 + \xi + 3r)(R/8) \ 0 \ 0], \\ N_w(x) &= [0 \ 0 \ (1 - \xi)(2 - \xi - \xi^2 + 6r)(R/4) \ -L(1 - \xi^2)(1 - \xi + 3r)(R/8) \\ &\quad 0 \ 0 \ (1 + \xi)(2 + \xi - \xi^2 + 6r)(R/4) \ L(1 - \xi^2)(1 + \xi + 3r)(R/8)], \\ N_\phi(x) &= [0 \ 0 \ 3(1 - \xi^2)(R/2L) \ -(1 - \xi)(1 + 3\xi - 6r)(R/4) \\ &\quad 0 \ 0 \ -3(1 - \xi^2)(R/2L) \ -(1 + \xi)(1 - 3\xi - 6r)(R/4)], \\ N_\psi(x) &= [-3(1 - \xi^2)(R/2L) \ -(1 - \xi)(1 + 3\xi - 6r)(R/4) \ 0 \ 0 \\ &\quad 3(1 - \xi^2)(R/2L) \ -(1 + \xi)(1 - 3\xi - 6r)(R/4) \ 0 \ 0], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

with

$$\xi = 2\left(\frac{x}{L}\right) - 1 \quad (0 \leq x \leq L), \quad r = \frac{4EI}{\kappa GAL^2}, \quad R = \frac{1}{1 + 3r}. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Substitution of (A.2) into (A.1) gives the finite element equation in the form

$$\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{d}}(t) + \mathbf{G}\dot{\mathbf{d}}(t) + \mathbf{K}\mathbf{d}(t) = \mathbf{f}(t), \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} = [m_{ij}] &= \int_0^L [\rho A (\mathbf{N}_v^T \mathbf{N}_v + \mathbf{N}_w^T \mathbf{N}_w) + \rho I (\mathbf{N}_\phi^T \mathbf{N}_\phi + \mathbf{N}_\psi^T \mathbf{N}_\psi)] dx, \\ \mathbf{G} = [g_{ij}] &= \int_0^L \Omega \rho J (\mathbf{N}_\phi^T \mathbf{N}_\psi - \mathbf{N}_\psi^T \mathbf{N}_\phi) dx, \\ \mathbf{K} = [k_{ij}] &= \int_0^L [EI (\mathbf{N}'_\phi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\phi + \mathbf{N}'_\psi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\psi) + \kappa GA (\mathbf{N}'_v{}^T \mathbf{N}'_v + \mathbf{N}'_w{}^T \mathbf{N}'_w + \mathbf{N}'_\phi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\phi \\ &\quad + \mathbf{N}'_\psi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\psi + \mathbf{N}'_w{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\phi + \mathbf{N}'_\phi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_w - \mathbf{N}'_v{}^T \mathbf{N}'_\psi - \mathbf{N}'_\psi{}^T \mathbf{N}'_v)] dx, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(t) &= \mathbf{f}_c(t) + \mathbf{f}_d(t) \equiv \{f_1(t) \ f_2(t)\}^T, \\ \mathbf{f}_c(t) &= \{Q_{y1}(t) \ M_{z1}(t) \ Q_{z1}(t) \ M_{y1}(t) \ Q_{y2}(t) \ M_{z2}(t) \ Q_{z2}(t) \ M_{y2}(t)\}^T, \\ \mathbf{f}_d(t) &= \int_0^L (\mathbf{N}_v^T p_y + \mathbf{N}_w^T p_z + \mathbf{N}_\phi^T \tau_y + \mathbf{N}_\psi^T \tau_z) dx, \\ \mathbf{f}_i(t) &= \{f_{vi}(t) \ f_{\psi i}(t) \ f_{wi}(t) \ f_{\phi i}(t)\}^T \quad (i = 1, 2). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

$\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{K}$  are the  $8 \times 8$  symmetric matrices and  $\mathbf{G}$  is the  $8 \times 8$  skew symmetric matrix. Their components are given by

$$\begin{aligned} m_{11} = m_{33} = m_{55} = m_{77} &= 12\alpha_1(26 + 147r + 210r^2) + 36\alpha_2, \\ m_{12} = -m_{34} = -m_{56} = m_{78} &= \alpha_1 L(44 + 231r + 315r^2) + 3\alpha_2 L(1 - 15r), \\ m_{15} = m_{37} &= 36\alpha_1(3 + 21r + 35r^2) - 36\alpha_2, \\ m_{16} = -m_{25} = -m_{38} = m_{47} &= -\alpha_1 L(26 + 189r + 315r^2) + 3\alpha_2 L(1 - 15r), \\ m_{22} = m_{44} = m_{66} = m_{88} &= \alpha_1 L^2(8 + 42r + 63r^2) + \alpha_2 L^2(4 + 15r + 90r^2), \\ m_{26} = m_{48} &= -3\alpha_1 L^2(2 + 14r + 21r^2) - \alpha_2 L^2(1 + 15r - 45r^2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

and other  $m_{ij} = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} g_{13} = -g_{17} = g_{35} = g_{57} &= 36\eta, \\ g_{14} = g_{18} = -g_{23} = g_{27} = g_{36} = g_{45} = -g_{58} = g_{67} &= -3\eta L(1 - 15r), \\ g_{24} = g_{68} &= -\eta L^2(4 + 15r + 90r^2), \\ g_{28} = -g_{46} &= \eta L^2(1 + 15r - 45r^2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.10})$$

and other  $g_{ij} = 0$ , and

$$\begin{aligned}
 k_{11} &= -k_{15} = k_{33} = -k_{37} = k_{55} = k_{77} = 12\beta_1 + 540\beta_2 r^2, \\
 k_{12} &= -k_{25} = -k_{34} = k_{47} = 6\beta_1 L + 270\beta_2 L r^2, \\
 k_{16} &= -k_{38} = -k_{56} = k_{78} = 6\beta_1 L + 90\beta_2 L r(1 + 3r), \\
 k_{22} &= k_{44} = \beta_1 L^2(4 + 6r + 9r^2) + 135\beta_2 L^2 r^2, \\
 k_{26} &= k_{48} = \beta_1 L^2(2 - 6r - 9r^2) + 45\beta_2 L^2 r(1 + 3r), \\
 k_{66} &= k_{88} = \beta_1 L^2(4 + 6r + 9r^2) + \beta_2 L^2(47 + 210r + 315r^2),
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.11}$$

and other  $k_{ij} = 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha_1 &= \frac{R^2}{840} \rho A L, & \beta_1 &= \frac{R^2}{L^3} E I, & \eta &= \frac{R^2}{30L} \rho J \Omega, \\
 \alpha_2 &= \frac{R^2}{30L} \rho I, & \beta_2 &= \frac{R^2}{60L} \kappa G A,
 \end{aligned} \tag{A.12}$$

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