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Abstract

In this work, a four-dimensional lattice spring model is developed for studying the mechanical responses of solids. Our results indicate that the Poisson's ratio limitation of the classical lattice spring model defined in three-dimensional space can be fourth-dimensional released by introducing interaction. The an extra fourth-dimensional lattice spring model adopts central interactions only, and it can naturally represent the nonlinear dynamic responses of solids without special treatment of rigid body rotation or incremental integration of non-central/non-local interaction as used in the traditional methods. Applicability of the model is illustrated from a few numerical examples.

Keywords: Extra dimension; Lattice Spring Model; Solids; Poisson's ratio

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