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Abstract

In the present study, a rotating functionally graded cylindrical shell (FGM) with imperfectly surface bounded functionally graded piezoelectric material (FGPM) subjected to an axisymmetric hygrothermo-electro-mechanical loading is considered. The shell is simply supported and could be rested on an elastic foundation. The material properties of FGM and FGPM are assumed to be exponentially graded in the radial direction. The Fourier series expansion method through the longitudinal direction and the differential quadrature method (DQM) across the thickness direction are used for solving governing differential equations. To check the validity of the present work, comparisons with the previous results are performed. Finally, numerical results are shown to clarify the effects of important parameters on the behavior of the smart shell.

Keywords:

Hygrothermal analysis; Hygrothermopiezoelectric; Imperfect bonding; Exponentially graded hybrid cylindrical shell; Elastic foundation.

1. Introduction

In recent years, smart structures including FGMs or multilayered composite members bonded with piezoelectric actuators and sensors are being increasingly used in the aerospace, automobile, and other engineering areas. Therefore, the ability to predict the response of smart structures in multiphysics environments and subjected to multifield loads is of interest for engineers and researchers [1, 2].

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