

# Finite Element Analysis to Determine Effect of Thickness Ratio on the Slip Damping of Jointed Aluminium Cantilever Beams

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## ABSTRACT

*The main aim of this thesis is to investigate the effect of thickness ratio on the damping of cantilever beams jointed with rivets undergoing free vibration. The thickness ratios considered are 1, 1.5 and 2. The material used is Aluminum. Modeling is done in Creo. Static, Modal and harmonic analysis is performed in Ansys. Theoretical calculations are done to determine the damping ratio.*

## INTRODUCTION

### Beam

A beam is a structural element that is capable of withstanding load primarily by resisting bending. The bending force induced into the material of the beam as a result of the external loads, own weight, span and external reactions to these loads is called a bending moment.

### Vibration and Damping

Most engineering structures experience unwanted vibration which results in premature failure. It is observed that all free vibrations cannot keep on going indefinitely and will die out ultimately. In other words, there is some resistance to the motion of the body. Damping characteristics represent the ability of the structure to dissipate vibration energy so that the unwanted vibration is suppressed. However, the vibration energy loss from the system is dependent on the physical

mechanisms that cause the dissipation. These mechanisms are complicated processes that are not fully perceived. The types of damping that are present in the structure will depend on the mechanisms predominate in the given situation. For most vibrating systems, a significant part of the energy is dissipated as heat to the environment in an irreversible manner.

## LITERATURE SURVEY

In this paper by Rahul H. Hodgar, Dr. Y.R Kharde [1] Riveted joints are often used to fabricate assembled structures in machine tools, automotive, trusses and many such industries requiring high damping. The present work aims to study the mechanism of damping and its FEA evaluation for jointed cantilever beam with number of equispaced connecting rivets resulting in uniform pressure distribution at interfaces. Vibration attenuation in these structures can enhance the dynamic stability significantly. A little amount of work has been reported till date on the damping capacity of riveted structures. Using OROS Series (OR34 - 4 Channel) FFT analyzer experiments are performed on various specimens. The damping ratio is calculated from FFT spectrum obtained from FFT Analyzer. It is established that the damping capacity of structures jointed with connecting rivets can be improved substantially with an increase in number of rivets maintaining uniform intensity of pressure distribution at the interfaces. In This

Paper By R.C. Mohanty,Rajendra Kumar Mohanty [2] Damping In Built-Up Structures Is Produced By The Energy Dissipation Due To Micro-Slip Along The Frictional Interfaces. The Analysis Of The Problem Has Been Carried Out Using Finite Element Method (FEM). A Finite Element Model Of The Linear Elastic System Has Been Formulated Using The Euler-Bernoulli Beam Theory To Investigate The Damping Phenomena In Riveted Connections. The Discrete Element System Having Two Degrees Of Freedom Per Node V X Has Been Used For The Analysis. The Solution Considers One-Dimensional Beam Elements With  $\partial\partial$  Representing V And Each One Consisting Of Two Nodes Having Two Degrees Of Freedom, I.E. Transverse Displacement And Rotation At Each Node. The Generalized Stiffness And Mass Matrices For This Element Has Been Derived. Extensive Experiments Have Been Conducted For The Validation Of The Analysis. From This Study, It Is Established That The Damping Capacity Increases And The Natural Frequency Decreases Due To The Joint Effects.

### 3D MODELS OF BEAM WITH DIFFERENT THICKNESS RATIOS OF DAMPING MATERIAL

The reference journal for the modeling is International Journal of Innovative Research in Science, Engineering and Technology "Study on Improvement of Damping in Jointed Cantilever Beams Using FEM " R.C. Mohanty , Rajendra Kumar Mohanty specified as [2] in References chapter.

#### Thickness ratio 1

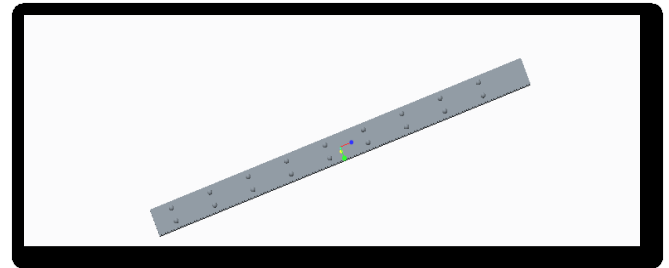


Fig: 3D model of beam with thickness ratio 1

### ANALYSIS OF CANTILEVER BEAM

#### MATERIAL - ALUMINUM ALLOY

#### THICKNESS RATIO - 1

#### STATIC ANALYSIS, MODAL ANALYSIS, HARMONIC RESPONSE ANALYSIS

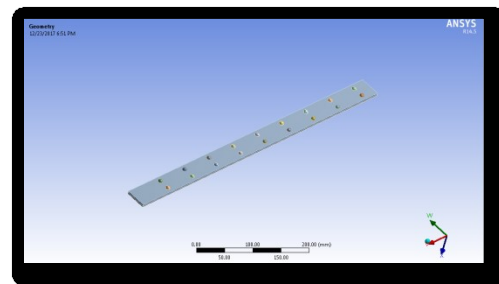


Fig: Imported geometry of beam with thickness ratio 1

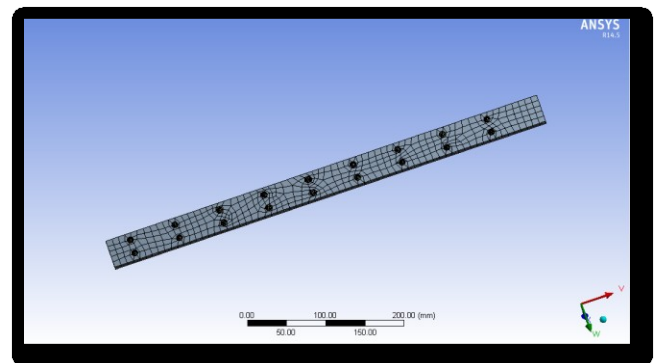


Fig: Meshed model of beam with thickness ratio 1

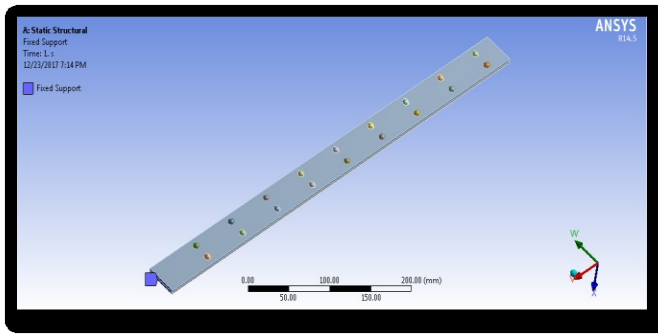


Fig: Fixed support is applied at one end of the beam

Fig: Strain of beam with thickness ratio 1

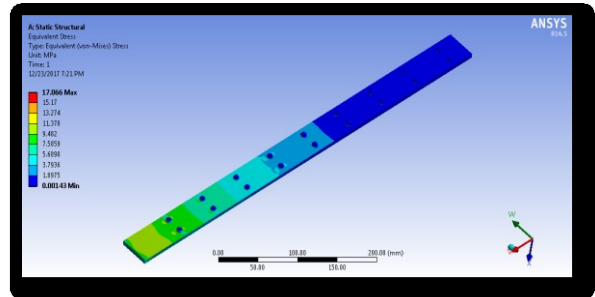


Fig: Stress of beam with thickness ratio 1

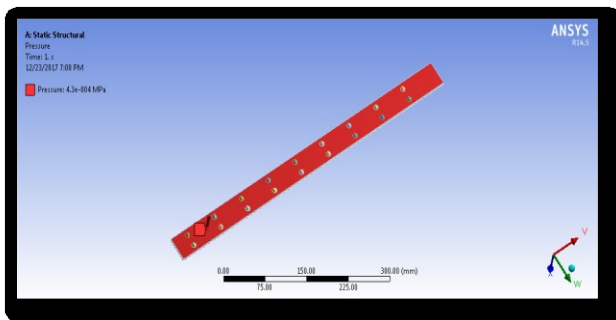


Fig: Pressure is applied on top of the beam

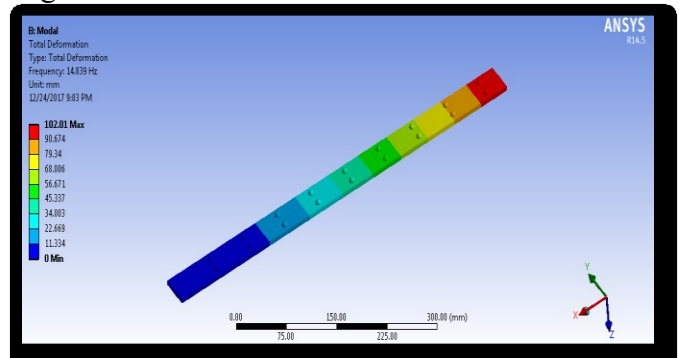


Fig: mode 1 of beam with thickness ratio 1

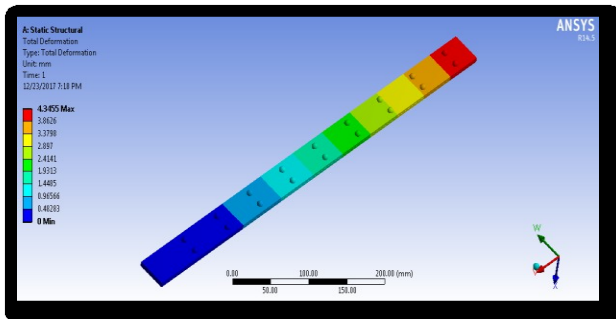


Fig: Total deformation of beam with thickness ratio 1

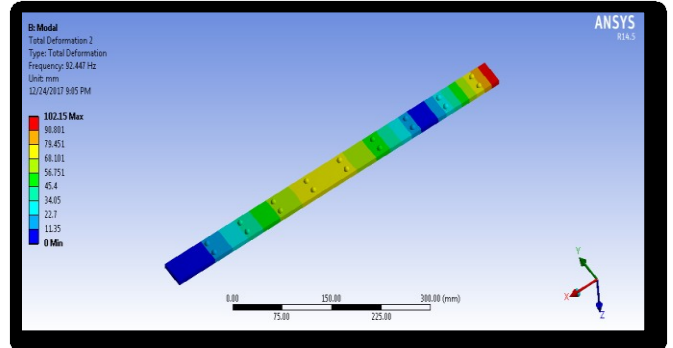


Fig: mode 2 of beam with thickness ratio 1

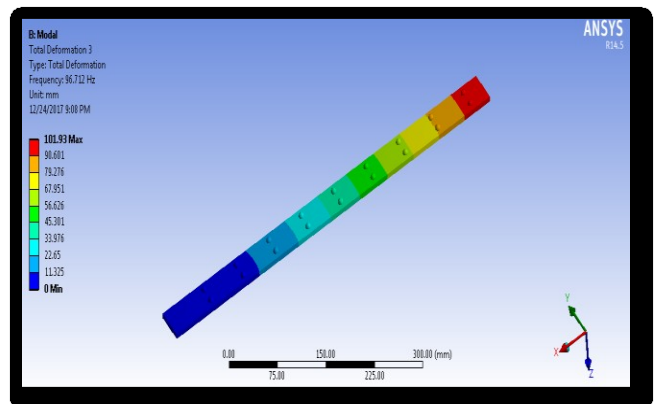
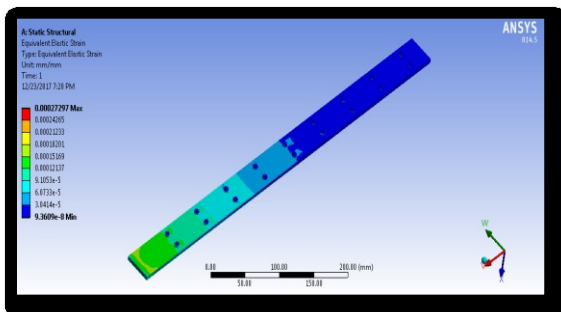


Fig: mode 3 of beam with thickness ratio 1

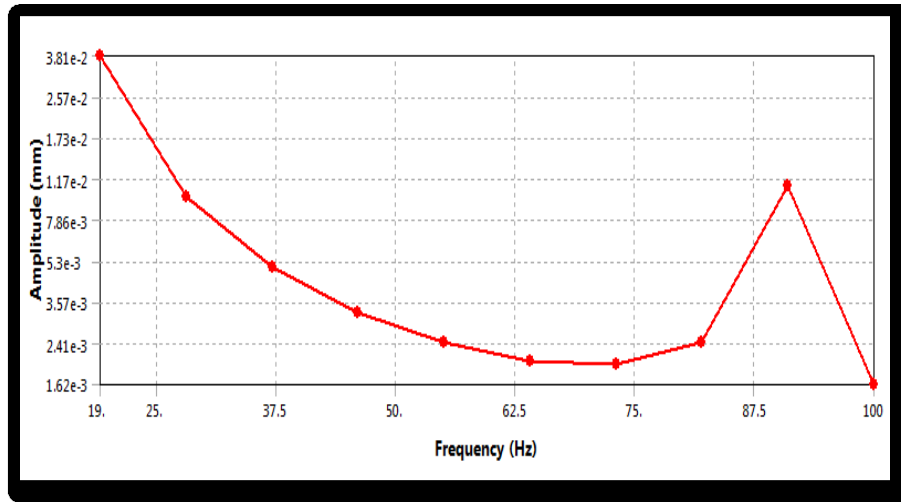


Fig: Frequency Response1  
**RESULTS TABLE**

**STATIC STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS RESULTS**

	<b>THICKNESS RATIO 1</b>	<b>THICKNESS RATIO 1.5</b>	<b>THICKNESS RATIO 2</b>
<b>TOTAL DEFORMATION (mm)</b>	4.3455	2.2426	1.3007
<b>STRAIN</b>	0.00027297	0.00016385	0.00011417
<b>STRESS (MPa)</b>	17.066	11.437	6.2941

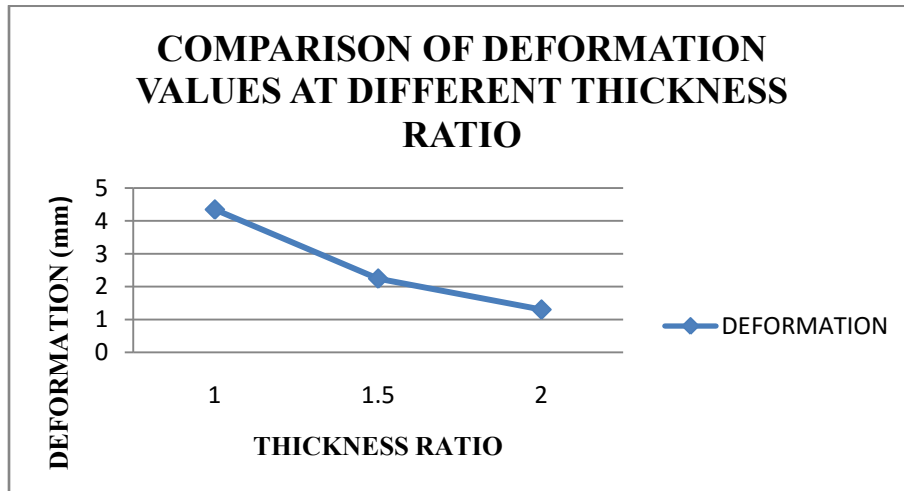


Fig: Comparison of Deformation Values at Different Thickness Ratio

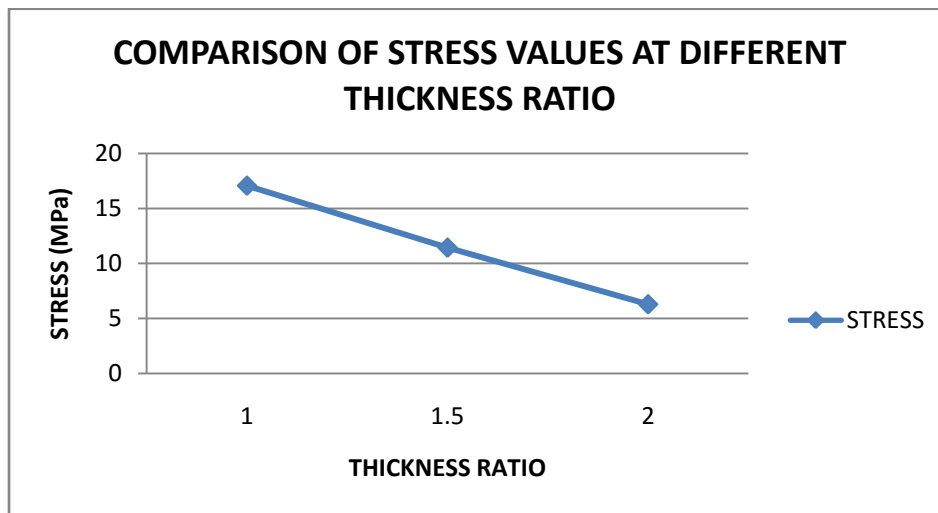


Fig: Comparison of Stress Values at Different Thickness Ratio

### MODAL ANALYSIS RESULTS

	FREQUENCY (Hz) MODE 1	DEFORMATION (mm) MODE 1	FREQUENCY (Hz) MODE 2	DEFORMATION (mm) MODE 2	FREQUENCY (Hz) MODE 3	DEFORMATION (mm) MODE 3
<b>THICKNESS RATIO 1</b>	14.839	102.01	92.447	102.15	96.712	101.93
<b>THICKNESS RATIO 1.5</b>	18.523	91.463	96.903	91.375	115.46	91.569
<b>THICKNESS RATIO 2</b>	22.265	83.829	97.266	83.696	138.79	84.083

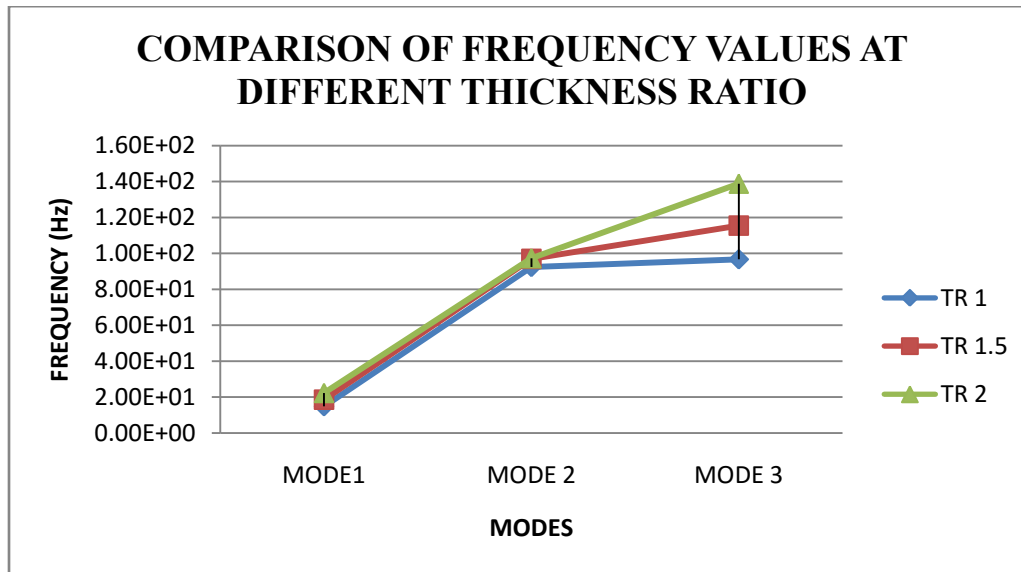


Fig: Comparison of Frequency Values at Different Thickness Ratio

## THEORETICAL CALCULATIONS TO DETERMINE DAMPING RATIO

$F_n, W_n$  = Natural frequency

$\delta$  = logarithmic decrement

$\zeta$  = damping ratio

$\rho$  = density of material

$E$  = Young's modulus of cantilever beam

$I$  = moment of inertia

$m$  = mass of the object

$b$  = width of the object

$h$  = thickness of the object

### Frequency

$$F_n = \frac{w_n}{2\pi} = \frac{3.52}{2\pi l^2} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{m}}$$

$m = bhp$

### Damping ratio

$$\delta = \zeta w_n \tau_d$$

$$\zeta = \frac{\delta}{w_n \tau_d}$$

## CONCLUSION

In this thesis, the effect of thickness ratio on the damping of cantilever beams jointed with rivets undergoing free vibration. The thickness ratios considered are 1, 1.5 and 2. The material used is Aluminum. Modeling is done in Pro/Engineer. Static, Modal and harmonic analyses is performed in Ansys. By observing the static analysis results, the deformation and stress values are decreasing by increasing the thickness ratio. By observing the modal analysis results, the frequencies are increasing by increasing the thickness ratio, so vibrations will be increasing in the beam. By observing the harmonic analysis results, as

the frequency increases, the amplitude is decreasing (i.e) the maximum displacement of the beam is decreasing and also by increasing the thickness ratio, the amplitude is decreasing. Theoretical calculations are done to determine the damping ratio. The damping ratio is less than 1 for all thickness ratios, so the system is under-damped. In this situation, the system will oscillate at the natural damped frequency.

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