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Wave propagation in periodic nano structures through second strain gradient elasticity

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Abstract

The study of wave propagation in the periodic nano-waveguides is of importance to advance the development of energy and wave controlling systems. In this paper, firstly, the element discretization of nano structures is introduced based on the second strain gradient theory. The displacement field is determined through the utilization of six quintic Hermite polynomial interpolating functions. By applying Hamilton's principle, the weak form, which incorporates the element matrices, is determined and the global dynamic stiffness matrix of a unit cell is assembled. Then, the wave finite element method, based on the inverse form, direct form and contour integral solution, is used to analyze the two-dimensional free wave propagation properties of complex nano structures by solving the eigenvalue problems. The interpretation of the frequency spectrum is confined to the irreducible first Brillouin zone, encompassing both the dispersion relation and band structure. Furthermore, the slowness surfaces and energy flow vector fields are discussed via the second strain gradient theory. The novel work, which utilizes the second strain gradient theory equipped with the wave finite element method to investigate two-dimensional complex nano structures, has revealed significant potential in elucidating the two-dimensional wave propagation characteristics of the complex nano-waveguides.

Keywords: Wave propagation; Dispersion relation; Band structures; Second strain gradient elasticity; Complex nano structures

1. Introduction

The waveguides ranging from resonators, valves and switches have advanced the technologies in a wide range of field, including information processing, molecular manipulation and sensing. The

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17 investigation for the heterogeneous waveguides can improve the performance and development of
18 the existing wave and energy controlling systems. Initially, studies based on the Classical Theory
19 (CT) of elasticity concentrated on the field of solid-state physic in the macro-sized materials [1–3].
20 For instance, Fu et al.[4] devised a singular boundary technique for investigating wave propaga-
21 tion at low to moderate wavenumbers in macro-periodic systems. It has been confirmed that the
22 proposed technique produces satisfactory results and, as the number of boundary nodes increases,
23 it converges to the exact solutions. Vescovini and Fantuzzi [5] studied the free vibrations for stiff-
24 ened and unstiffened configurations. The result shows that the analytical evaluation of the Ritz
25 integrals guarantees high efficiency. The experimental investigations into the dynamic properties
26 of guided waves have recently garnered considerable attention. For instance, Fernando et al.[6]
27 tested an impedance-graded multi-metallic system for a high velocity impact. It is demonstrated
28 that the impedance-graded system has the capability of diminishing and reducing shock waves.
29 Ravindran et al.[7] conducted an experimental study on a compaction wave within a low-density
30 polymeric foam subjected to an intermediate-velocity projectile impact loading. The sound veloc-
31 ity determined analytically was in congruity with the precursor velocity observed experimentally.

32 Usually, in the macro-sized structures mentioned above, the local behavior of internal hetero-
33 geneity significantly impacts their dynamical properties; however, nano-materials exhibiting size
34 effects demonstrate structural properties distinct from those at the macro-sized level [8, 9]. There
35 are three main components of size effects. The first one is the large surface-to-volume ratio, which
36 results in surface tension caused by energy associated with the particles on the structure’s sur-
37 face [10–12]. The second one is the micro-deformations: the structure’s mechanical behavior is
38 significantly influenced not only by the macro-deformations brought about by the macro-material,
39 but also by the micro-deformations, including micro-rotation and micro-stretch, produced by the
40 micro-material [13–15]. The last one is the non-local interactions: besides the local interactions,
41 the non-local or long range interactions between different particles in the nano-sized structure can
42 occur [16–18]. Due to the existence of the size effects, the propagation of waves in nano-materials
43 can no longer be accurately estimated by the CT.

44 Interpreting the characteristics of nano-structures related to the size effects necessitates the
45 utilization of non-classical continuum theories of elasticity, as illustrated in Fig.1, which can be
46 categorized into the strain gradient family [19, 20], the micro-continuum theory [21, 22], the non-
47 local elasticity theory [23, 24] and the surface elasticity theory [25, 26]. The strain gradient family
48 consists of the couple stress theory [27–29], the First Strain Gradient (SG) theory [30, 31], the
49 Second Strain Gradient (SSG) theory [32, 33] and the modified couple stress theory [34, 35]. In

50 couple stress theory, both the usual deformations and the gradient of the rotation vector are taken
51 into consideration when calculating the strain energy. In modified couple stress theory, the as-
52 sumption of symmetry of the couple stress tensor is used through the imposition of an equilibrium
53 condition of couple moments. Mindlin put forward the SG theory, in which the strain and the first
54 gradient of strain are employed to illustrate the elastic fields. However, the double stresses in the
55 SG theory have singularities at the defect line [36]. Then, the SSG theory considering the double
56 stresses and triple stresses was proposed to eliminate all the singularities of physical fields, such
57 as the elastic bend-twist tensor and dislocation density tensor which are singular in the SG theory
58 [37]. Most applications utilized SG theory instead of SSG elasticity primarily because SG theory
59 is easier to handle mathematically, while the SSG theory is more complex. In the SSG theory,
60 the energy density is a function of strain, the first derivative of strain, and the second deriva-
61 tive of strain. The SSG theory carries three distinct advantages: firstly, it is possible to remove
62 all singularities which are still present in the SG theory; secondly, it allows for the confirmation
63 of higher-order deformations caused by the higher-order scale lengths; and lastly, it explains the
64 stiffness hardening from the long-range interactions. Since all the physical state quantities are
65 smooth and non-singular through the SSG theory, utilizing a third strain gradient theory is unnec-
66 essary. On the other hand, the micro-continuum theory[38] consisting of the micro-polar theory,
67 the micro-stretch theory and the micro-morphic theory is introduced here. The independent ro-
68 tational scalar of the micro-material is taken into account in the micro-polar theory, while the
69 independent stretching scalar of the micro-material is evaluated in the micro-stretch theory. The
70 most general micro-morphic theory considers both the rotational and deformative behavior of the
71 micro-material in the structure. In the non-local elasticity [39], the stress at a point is dependent
72 upon the strains at all points of the body. A popularly employed model of surface elasticity[40]
73 was developed by postulating a scalar coefficient.

74 The Lattice Spring Model (LSM) theory [41] has been demonstrated to be a valuable approach
75 for elucidating the dynamic characteristics of nano-materials as well. The continuum governing
76 equations of elasticity can be expressed through Fourier series transform according to the lattice
77 governing equations. The LSM by the SSG relies upon the assumption that the force is reflective
78 of a non local interaction between particles, introducing a relation with nearest, next nearest and
79 next next nearest interactions, thus constituting a new type of elastic material with non-local char-
80 acters. As presented in Fig.1, the detailed concept of each theory and the connections between
81 different theories are elaborated. If the value of non-classical part in each theory is considered to
82 be 0, the non-classical theory will return to the CT.

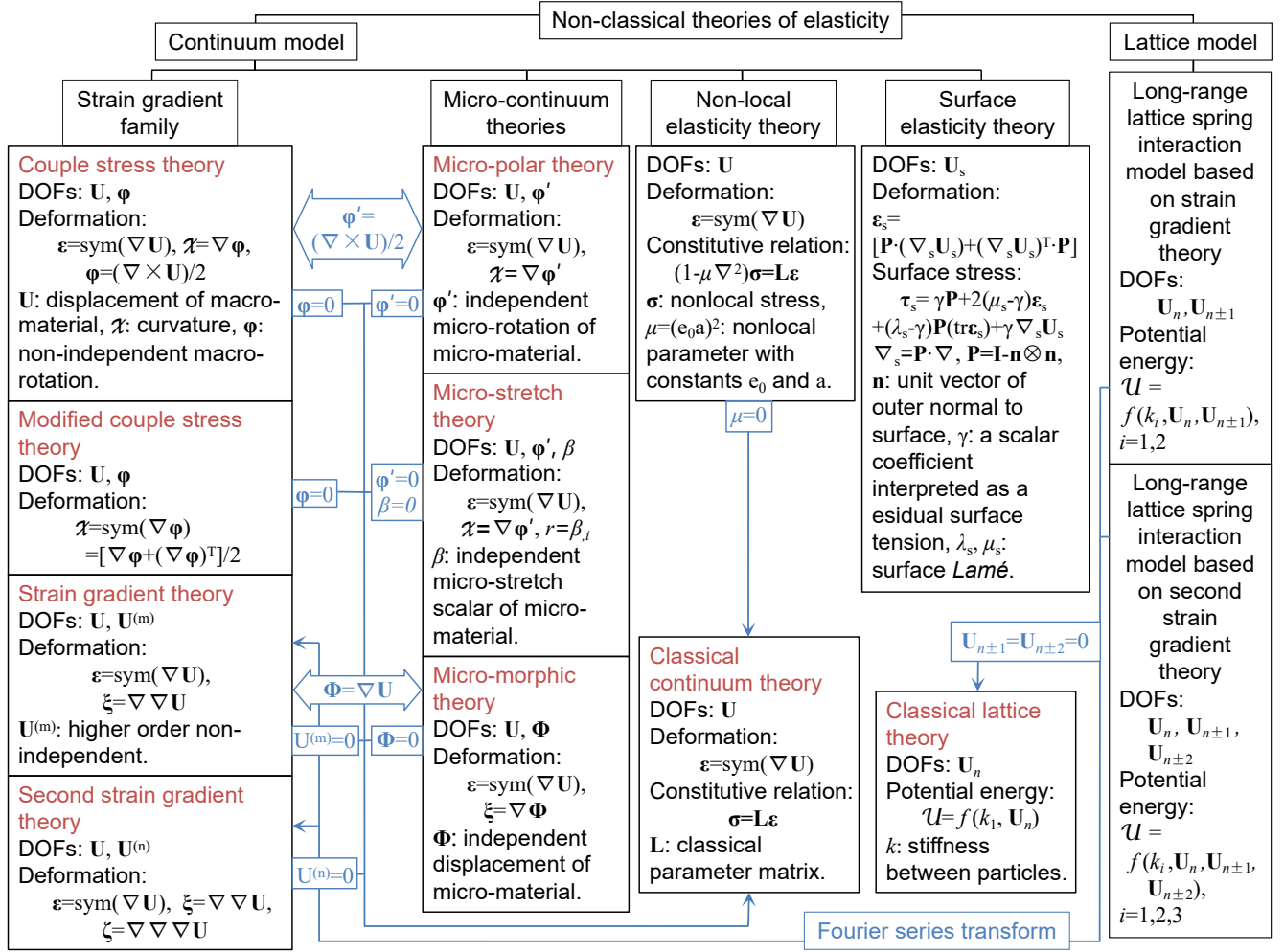


Fig. 1: State-of-the-art of non-classical theories of elasticity for nano-structures.

83 Recently, researchers have undertaken explorations of the properties of nano or micro-structures
 84 utilizing non-classical theories. For example, Bruno and Kachanov [42] discussed the potential of
 85 micromechanics in the formation of microstructures, including nonlinear stress–strain behavior
 86 and effective elastic properties. Baccocchi et al. [43–45] developed a finite element method for
 87 the numerical investigation of static and dynamic problems of laminated plates, accounting for
 88 the nonlocal strain gradient effect. Tocci Monaco et al. [46] explored the flexural behavior of
 89 nanoplates in response to both sinusoidal and uniform loading through the semi-analytical strain
 90 gradient theory. The result shows a good agreement with the one from literature. Furthermore,
 91 Fu et al. [47] studied the dynamical properties of the isotropic materials through the analytical
 92 strain gradient elasticity theory and predicted the material length-scale parameters and the deflec-
 93 tions in the nano materials. Tuna et al. [48, 49] investigated the ‘explicit’ and ‘implicit’ non-local
 94 continuum models through the micro-polar theory. It demonstrates that the proposed method is
 95 efficacious for depicting the mechanical behaviour of complex materials. Meanwhile, Fantuzzi et al.

96 [50] deduced the constitutive parameters of composite materials via a homogenization technique
97 equipped with the micro-polar theory. Żur et al. [51–53] introduced a variational principle and
98 studied the properties of ultra-small structures via the higher-order gradient elasticity.

99 On the other hand, a Wave Finite Element Method (WFEM) [54–57] has been proposed to
100 investigate wave propagation in complex periodic structures, and can be progressed from tradi-
101 tional FE method to enable the modeling of multiple intricate structures. The WFEM is capable
102 of reducing a periodic structure into a unit cell according to the periodic structure theory [58, 59],
103 thereby reducing the computational effort involved. The dynamic properties can be elucidated
104 through the spectral analysis of the unit cell [60]. Regarding the numerical simulation, a number
105 of works about the wave propagation characteristics can be found. For instance, Xiao et al. [61]
106 studied the flexural wave propagation in beams with periodically attached vibration absorbers.
107 It shows that the presence of both resonance-type and Bragg-type band gaps is a result of the
108 coexistence of local resonance and spatial periodicity. Wei et al. [62] demonstrated the wave
109 properties by analyzing the acoustic tensors of extremal materials. Their finding reveals that the
110 quantity of slowness surfaces can be determined based on the number of distinct characteristic
111 force vectors originating from the hard modes on a given wave front plane. What is more, Zhang
112 et al. [63] conducted calculations on group velocities to investigate how geometrical parameters
113 impact directional frequency-dependent energy flows within structures. It indicates that in the
114 auxetic chiral structure, the first mode of the elastic wave propagates exclusively along particular
115 specified directions. Nguyen et al. [64] introduced a novel deep learning technique to study the
116 wave propagation in media with multi-scale wave speed. The study demonstrates that the trained
117 neural networks can effectively approximate the nonlinear relationship between wave propagation
118 and wave speed.

119 In this paper, firstly, the 1D periodic structure technique used in the simple structures was
120 extended to the heterogeneous 2D nano structures. As far as the authors are aware, the WFEM
121 has never been exploited to investigate 2D wave propagation (e.g., slowness surfaces, band struc-
122 ture and energy flow) equipped with the SSG theory in complex 2D nano structures. Secondly,
123 the exploration of dynamic properties for nano structures was enriched. Actually, there exist more
124 complex waves such as higher-order waves in the realistic structures. The potential dynamic prop-
125 erties of complex nano structures cannot be obtained by studying the conventional waves (e.g.,
126 bending, tension and shearing) only. The exploration of multi-mode propagation is of great impor-
127 tance. Furthermore, the new insights on the stiffness hardening phenomena and size-dependent
128 characteristics were given. These properties have significant impacts on the results but can not

129 be explained by the classical theories. Reflecting the size effects and stiffness hardening caused
 130 by higher-order parameters into the WFEM framework is a novel and valuable approach to study
 131 the dynamic properties of nano structures effectively. Lastly, the Contour Integral (CI) solution
 132 was combined with the SSG theory to solve the eigenvalue problem for the first time. The results
 133 match the ones from the traditional direct form solution well.

134 The primary objectives of this work are to confirm the element discretization of complex nano
 135 structures using the SSG theory and to analyze the free 2D wave propagation properties by solving
 136 the eigenvalue problems through the WFEM. The combination of the WFEM with the SSG theory
 137 is necessary in order to study the dynamic characteristics of complex periodic structures, and to
 138 investigate the size effects existing in nano-sized materials.

139 The structure of the article is as follows: Section 2 introduces the constitutive relations of the
 140 3D nano-sized model via the SSG theory, and provides the weak form, comprising the element
 141 matrices. Section 3 presents the free 2D wave propagation characteristics, deduced from the eigen-
 142 value problem solved via the WFEM. Section 4 explains the wave dispersion, slowness surfaces,
 143 band structure, and energy flow. Finally, some conclusions are outlined in Section 5.

144 2. Finite element discretization through the SSG theory

145 Within the SSG theory framework, this part introduces the constitutive relations of a 3D nano-
 146 structure. Subsequently, employing six quin-tic Hermite polynomial interpolating functions, the
 147 displacement vector is deduced. Finally, the weak formulation is interpreted through utilizing
 148 Hamilton's principle.

149 2.1. Constitutive relations

150 The strain energy density \bar{U} proposed by Mindlin [32] within the SSG theory framework is
 151 expressed below:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{U} = & \frac{1}{2} \lambda \varepsilon_{ii} \varepsilon_{jj} + \mu \varepsilon_{ij} \varepsilon_{ij} + a_1 \xi_{ijj} \xi_{ikk} + a_2 \xi_{iik} \xi_{kjj} + a_3 \xi_{iik} \xi_{jjk} + a_4 \xi_{ijk} \xi_{ijk} + a_5 \xi_{ijk} \xi_{jki} + b_1 \zeta_{iijj} \zeta_{kkll} \\
 & + b_2 \zeta_{ijkk} \zeta_{ijll} + b_3 \zeta_{iijk} \zeta_{jkl} + b_4 \zeta_{iijk} \zeta_{llkj} + b_5 \zeta_{iijk} \zeta_{lljk} + b_6 \zeta_{ijkl} \zeta_{ijkl} + b_7 \zeta_{ijkl} \zeta_{jkli} + c_1 \varepsilon_{ii} \zeta_{jjkk} \\
 & + c_2 \varepsilon_{ij} \zeta_{ijkk} + c_3 \varepsilon_{ij} \zeta_{kkij},
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

152 where $\varepsilon = \text{sym}(\nabla \mathbf{U})$, $\xi = \nabla \varepsilon$, $\zeta = \nabla \nabla \varepsilon$, \mathbf{U} indicates the displacement vector, ∇ is the gradient
 153 operator, λ and μ are related to the Young's modulus E , Poisson's ratio ν and shear modulus G

154 by the equations $\lambda = \nu E / (1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)$ and $\mu = G = E / 2(1 + \nu)$. Additionally, a_i , b_i and c_i are
155 the higher-order parameters, which can be determined through the inter-atom potential function
156 approach [65]. $a_{i(i=1,\dots,5)}$ are related to the first derivative of strain. $b_{i(i=1,\dots,7)}$ are related to the
157 second derivative of strain. $c_{i(i=1,\dots,3)}$ are related to the part coupled by the strain and second
158 derivative of strain. In this work, in order to make sure the structure macroscopically isotropic
159 and use the SSG formulation reasonably, the size of the structure is defined much larger than that
160 of a crystal unit in the structure.

161 The vector of the displacement field in the 3D Cartesian coordinate system (x, y, z) is expressed
162 as:

$$\mathbf{U}(x, y, z, t) = \{u_1(x, y, z, t), u_2(x, y, z, t), u_3(x, y, z, t)\}^T, \quad (2)$$

163 where u_1 , u_2 and u_3 are the the displacements along the x , y and z direction, respectively. Super-
164 script T indicates the transpose of matrix or vector.

165 The strain energy density addressed by the $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$, $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ and $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$ can be verified as:

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\Psi}_1 \mathbf{U}, \quad \boldsymbol{\xi} = \boldsymbol{\Psi}_2 \mathbf{U}, \quad \boldsymbol{\zeta} = \boldsymbol{\Psi}_3 \mathbf{U}, \quad (3)$$

166 where $\boldsymbol{\Psi}_1$, $\boldsymbol{\Psi}_2$ and $\boldsymbol{\Psi}_3$ are represented in Appendix A.

167 Then, based on the SSG theory, the constitutive relations of the 3D model can be established:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_1 = \mathbf{L}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} + \mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\zeta}, \quad \boldsymbol{\tau}_2 = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\xi}, \quad \boldsymbol{\tau}_3 = \mathbf{B}\boldsymbol{\zeta} + \mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \quad (4)$$

168 where the expressions of $\mathbf{L}_{(6 \times 6)}$, $\mathbf{A}_{(18 \times 18)}$, $\mathbf{B}_{(30 \times 30)}$ and $\mathbf{C}_{(6 \times 30)}$ are addressed in Appendix B.
169 Consequently, the strain energy density can be expressed in the matrix form through the SSG
170 theory:

$$\bar{U} = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^T \mathbf{L} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\xi}^T \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\xi} + \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\zeta}^T \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\zeta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^T \mathbf{C} \boldsymbol{\zeta}. \quad (5)$$

171 2.2. Element matrices

172 After obtaining the matrix form of the strain energy density, the weak form will be computed
173 in this part. The node DOFs for the 1D and 3D Hermite elements are depicted in Fig.2.

174 A six-term polynomial function is employed to interpolate the scalar field $U_1 = u_1(\bar{x}, t)$ inside a
175 1D element, which ensures the continuity between the 1D elements, as follows:

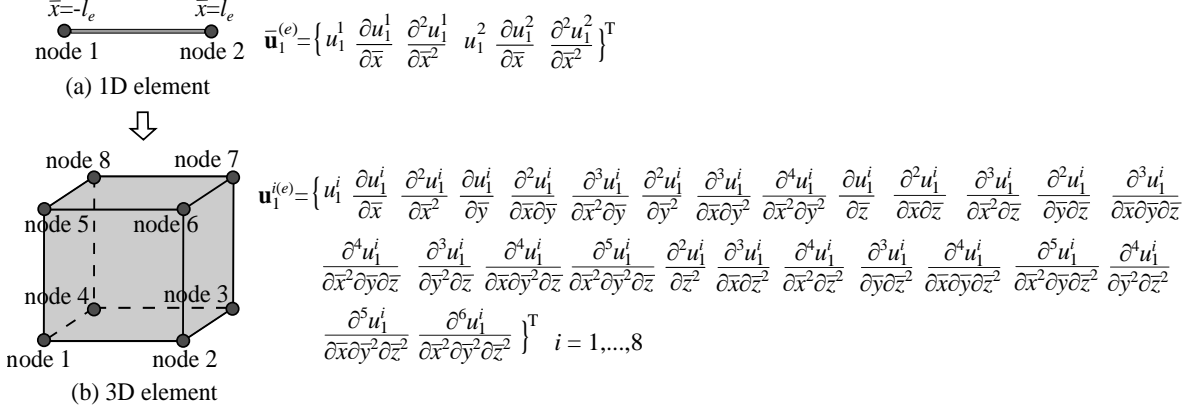


Fig. 2: Definition of the node numbers and nodal degree of freedoms (DOFs) for the one-dimensional and three-dimensional Hermitic elements with C^2 continuity. $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1^{(e)}$ is the DOFs vector for the 1D element. $\mathbf{u}_1^{i(e)}$ indicates the DOFs on the 3D element nodes. l_e is the half length of the 1D element. $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ are the local Cartesian coordinate system.

$$\mathbf{U}_1 = \{1, \bar{x}, \bar{x}^2, \bar{x}^3, \bar{x}^4, \bar{x}^5\} \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5\}^T = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{s}. \quad (6)$$

176 As shown in Fig.2 (a), the $\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1^{(e)}$, named as the nodal displacement vector in a 1D element, can
 177 be evaluated as follows:

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1^{(e)} = \{\mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2, \mathbf{d}_3, \mathbf{d}_4, \mathbf{d}_5, \mathbf{d}_6\}^T \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{d}\mathbf{s}, \quad (7)$$

178 where $\mathbf{d}_1 = \{1, -l_e, l_e^2, -l_e^3, l_e^4, -l_e^5\}$, $\mathbf{d}_2 = \{0, 1, -2l_e, 3l_e^2, -4l_e^3, 5l_e^4\}$, $\mathbf{d}_3 = \{0, 0, 2, -6l_e, 12l_e^2, -20l_e^3\}$,
 179 $\mathbf{d}_4 = \{1, l_e, l_e^2, l_e^3, l_e^4, l_e^5\}$, $\mathbf{d}_5 = \{0, 1, 2l_e, 3l_e^2, 4l_e^3, 5l_e^4\}$, $\mathbf{d}_6 = \{0, 0, 2, 6l_e, 12l_e^2, 20l_e^3\}$. Then, by
 180 combining Eq.7 with Eq.6, the displacement vector can be expressed in terms of the six quintic
 181 Hermite polynomial interpolating functions and the nodal displacement vector, as follows:

$$\mathbf{U}_1 = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{d}^{-1}\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1^{(e)} = \mathbf{S}(\bar{x})\bar{\mathbf{u}}_1^{(e)}, \quad (8)$$

182 in which the interpolating functions $\mathbf{S}(\bar{x})$ are expressed as:

$$\mathbf{S}(\bar{x}) = \{S_1^0(\bar{x}), S_1^1(\bar{x}), S_1^2(\bar{x}), S_2^0(\bar{x}), S_2^1(\bar{x}), S_2^2(\bar{x})\}, \quad (9)$$

183 where $S_1^0(\bar{x})$, $S_1^1(\bar{x})$, $S_1^2(\bar{x})$, $S_2^0(\bar{x})$, $S_2^1(\bar{x})$ and $S_2^2(\bar{x})$ are shown in Appendix C.

184 On the other hand, the interpolating functions in the \bar{y} and \bar{z} directions can be deduced as:
 185 $\mathbf{S}(\bar{y})|_{(\bar{y}=\bar{x})} = \{S_1^0(\bar{y}), S_1^1(\bar{y}), S_1^2(\bar{y}), S_2^0(\bar{y}), S_2^1(\bar{y}), S_2^2(\bar{y})\}$, $\mathbf{S}(\bar{z})|_{(\bar{z}=\bar{x})} = \{S_1^0(\bar{z}), S_1^1(\bar{z}), S_1^2(\bar{z}), S_2^0(\bar{z}), S_2^1(\bar{z}), S_2^2(\bar{z})\}$.
 186 Subsequently, the hexahedral element's interpolating functions, depicted in Fig. 2 (b), is estab-
 187 lished by extending a 1D element to a 3D element [66, 67]:

$$\mathbb{S}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) = \{\mathbf{S}_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \otimes \mathbf{E}_1, \mathbf{S}_2(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \otimes \mathbf{E}_2, \mathbf{S}_3(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \otimes \mathbf{E}_3\}^T, \quad (10)$$

188 in which the elements in the $\mathbf{S}_q(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ and \mathbf{E}_q ($q = 1, 2, 3$) are expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} S_q^{i(u,v,w)}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) &= S_j^u(\bar{x})S_k^v(\bar{y})S_l^w(\bar{z}), \\ \mathbf{E}_q &= \{\epsilon_{q1}, \epsilon_{q2}, \epsilon_{q3}\}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

189 where $i = 1, \dots, 8$. $u, v, w = 0, 1, 2$. $S_q^{i(j,k,l)}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ is connected with the DOFs $\partial^{u+v+w}u_1^i/(\partial\bar{x}^u\partial\bar{y}^v\partial\bar{z}^w)$
 190 of node i in the hexahedron element. The notation $j, k, l = 1, 2$ signifies the node numbering within
 191 the respective 1D element, which can be established as either 1 or 2 depending on whether i is $-l_e$
 192 or l_e , respectively. Furthermore, the symbol ϵ_{qr} is equal to 0 if $q \neq r$ and equal to 1 if $q = r$ for
 193 any value of r from the set 1, 2, 3.

194 Within the 3D element, the displacement vector $\mathbf{U}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ can be written as:

$$\mathbf{U}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}, t) = \mathbb{S}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})\mathbf{u}^{(e)}(t), \quad (12)$$

195 where $\mathbb{S}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ is the 3D interpolating functions, $\mathbf{u}^{(e)} = \{\mathbf{u}_1^{(e)T}, \mathbf{u}_2^{(e)T}, \mathbf{u}_3^{(e)T}\}^T$, $\mathbf{u}_p^{(e)T} = \{\mathbf{u}_p^{1(e)T}, \mathbf{u}_p^{2(e)T}$,
 196 $\dots, \mathbf{u}_p^{8(e)T}\}^T$ ($p = 1, 2, 3$). Subsequently, the potential energy \mathcal{U} can be acquired through the
 197 integration of the strain energy density:

$$\mathcal{U} = \int_V \bar{U} dV = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{u}^{(e)T} \mathbf{K}^{(e)} \mathbf{u}^{(e)}. \quad (13)$$

198 On the other hand, the kinetic energy is expressed as [68]:

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \int_{\Omega} \left(\dot{\mathbf{U}} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{U}} + l_1^2 \nabla \dot{\mathbf{U}} : \nabla \dot{\mathbf{U}} + l_2^4 \nabla \nabla \dot{\mathbf{U}} : \nabla \nabla \dot{\mathbf{U}} \right) d\Omega, \quad (14)$$

199 in which the linear mass density, represented by ρ , and the higher-order length-scale parameters,
 200 denoted by l_1 and l_2 , are used. In this work, the classical part of the kinetic energy related to
 201 the macro-inertia is considered only. The mass is composed of two parts which come from the
 202 macro-material related to the macro-inertia and the micro-material related to the micro-inertia
 203 respectively per unit volume in nano-structure [30]. The main influence of the mass on the me-
 204 chanical properties comes from the macro-inertia. The effect of micro-inertia is prevalent at high
 205 frequencies, but its impact is secondary in comparison to the macro-inertia, and therefore, often
 206 neglected [69]. As a result:

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} \right)^T \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} \right) dV = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}^{(e)}}{\partial t} \right)^T \mathbf{M} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}^{(e)}}{\partial t} \right). \quad (15)$$

207 In the meantime, the external force's effect on the work done, represented by $\delta\mathcal{W}$, is expressed
208 as follows:

$$\delta\mathcal{W} = \int_V \delta\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{f}_V dV + \int_S \delta\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{f}_S dS = \delta\mathbf{u}^{(e)T} \mathbf{F}^{(e)}, \quad (16)$$

209 in which \mathbf{f}_V indicates the volume force, \mathbf{f}_S represents the face force. Finally, by introducing the
210 Hamilton's principle:

$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (\delta\mathcal{W} - \delta\mathcal{U} + \delta\mathcal{T}) dt = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\delta\mathbf{u}^{(e)T} \left(\mathbf{M}^{(e)} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}^{(e)}}{\partial t^2} + \mathbf{K}^{(e)} \mathbf{u}^{(e)} - \mathbf{F}^{(e)} \right) \right] dt = 0, \quad (17)$$

211 the stiffness and mass matrices of the 3D element, along with the force vector, can be formulated
212 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{K}^{(e)} &= \int_V (\mathbb{S}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}_1^T \mathbf{L} \boldsymbol{\Psi}_1 \mathbb{S} + \mathbb{S}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}_2^T \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Psi}_2 \mathbb{S} + \mathbb{S}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}_3^T \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\Psi}_3 \mathbb{S} + 2\mathbb{S}^T \boldsymbol{\Psi}_1^T \mathbf{C} \boldsymbol{\Psi}_3 \mathbb{S}) dV, \\ \mathbf{M}^{(e)} &= \int_V (\mathbb{S}^T \rho \mathbb{S}) dV, \\ \mathbf{F}^{(e)} &= \int_V (\mathbb{S}^T \mathbf{f}_V) dV + \int_S (\mathbb{S}^T \mathbf{f}_S) dS. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

213 3. Wave propagation within the WFEM framework

214 Upon procuring the matrices representing the 3D element matrices, the present section initiates
215 by deducing the unit cell's dynamic equation. Subsequently, a 2D wave propagation analysis is
216 performed by solving the eigenvalue problems under free and periodic boundary conditions.

217 The formulation of the dynamic equilibrium of a unit cell, as outlined by the WFEM, can be
218 expressed as follows:

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{Q} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}(t)}{\partial t} + \mathbf{M} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}(t)}{\partial t^2} = \mathbf{F}, \quad (19)$$

219 where the unit cell stiffness matrix, \mathbf{K} , and mass matrix, \mathbf{M} , are constructed through the assembly
220 of element stiffness ($\mathbf{K}^{(e)}$) and mass ($\mathbf{M}^{(e)}$) matrices, respectively. The damping matrix, \mathbf{Q} , is
221 represented by $\mathbf{Q} = \eta \mathbf{K} / \omega$ and takes into account the damping loss factor, η , which is caused
222 by internal friction within the material. The nodal displacement vector is denoted by \mathbf{u} , and the
223 force vector is represented by \mathbf{F} . Given harmonic \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{F} , the dynamic stiffness matrix can be

224 represented in the frequency domain as $\mathbf{D} = \tilde{\mathbf{K}} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}$, where $\tilde{\mathbf{K}} = (1 + i\eta)\mathbf{K}$. By categorizing the
 225 DOFs into internal (I) and boundary (Bd) DOFs, Eq. 19 can be re-expressed. It is noteworthy
 226 to mention that the DOFs on internal nodes of a unit are not impacted by external loads as the
 227 coupling relations are restricted solely to their boundaries, as stated in [58]. So, $\mathbf{F}_I = 0$, this yields:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{D}_{\text{BdBd}} & \mathbf{D}_{\text{BdI}} \\ \mathbf{D}_{\text{IBd}} & \mathbf{D}_{\text{II}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{Bd}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{I}} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{Bd}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix}, \quad (20)$$

228 where the amplitudes of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{F} are represented by $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$, respectively.

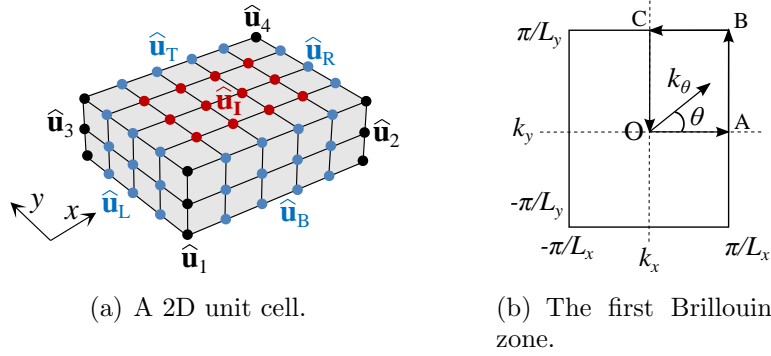


Fig. 3: Illustration of the 2D periodic waveguide unit cell and the first Brillouin zone. $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ means the amplitudes of the displacement, subscript L, R, B, T and I denote left, right, bottom, top boundary and internal DOFs. L_x and L_y are the length of the unit cell along the x and L_y direction respectively. θ is the heading angle of wave propagation. (x, y, z) are the global Cartesian coordinate system.

229 In Fig.3(a), a design for the 2D unit cell has been presented. The nodal DOFs in the unit cell
 230 have been partitioned into six segments, including the four corners, the left, bottom, right, top,
 231 and internal DOFs, the amplitudes of which can be described as: $\{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{Bd}}^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{I}}^T\} = \{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_1^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_2^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_3^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_4^T,$
 232 $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_L^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_B^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_R^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_T^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_I^T\}$. It should be noted that the classification of the nodal forces is done in the
 233 same way. The periodic structures theory [58] postulates that the nodal DOFs can be represented
 234 through the utilization of the propagation constants, namely λ_x and λ_y :

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_2 = \lambda_x \hat{\mathbf{u}}_1, \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}_3 = \lambda_y \hat{\mathbf{u}}_1, \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}_4 = \lambda_x \lambda_y \hat{\mathbf{u}}_1, \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}_R = \lambda_x \hat{\mathbf{u}}_L, \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}_T = \lambda_y \hat{\mathbf{u}}_B, \quad (21)$$

235 in which $\lambda_x = e^{-i\kappa_x L_x}$, $\lambda_y = e^{-i\kappa_y L_y}$. Within the confines of the first Brillouin zone, the wavenum-
 236 bers κ_x and κ_y undergo alteration, as shown in Fig.3(b), ranging from $-\pi/L_x$ to π/L_x , and from
 237 $-\pi/L_y$ to π/L_y , respectively. On the other hand, in the case of free wave propagation, the aggrega-
 238 tion of nodal forces from all elements linked to nodes 1, L, and B results in a null value:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\mathbf{F}}_1 + \hat{\mathbf{F}}_2 \lambda_x^{-1} + \hat{\mathbf{F}}_3 \lambda_y^{-1} + \hat{\mathbf{F}}_4 \lambda_x^{-1} \lambda_y^{-1} &= 0, \\
\hat{\mathbf{F}}_L + \hat{\mathbf{F}}_R \lambda_x^{-1} &= 0, \\
\hat{\mathbf{F}}_B + \hat{\mathbf{F}}_T \lambda_y^{-1} &= 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

239 In order to solve the eigenvalue problems of Eq.20, three different solutions are proposed: the
240 inverse form solution, the direct form solution and the Contour Integral (CI) solution. For the
241 inverse form solution, the two wavenumbers κ_x and κ_y are given, the frequency ω needs to be
242 calculated. For the direct form solution, the frequency ω and one wavenumber are given, the other
243 wavenumber needs to be confirmed. For the CI solution, the frequency ω and wave propagation
244 heading angle θ are given, the wavenumber κ_θ needs to be illustrated.

245 3.1. Inverse form solution

246 For the inverse form, the nodal DOFs of a unit cell can be represented by $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{bI}} = \{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_1^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_L^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_B^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_I^T\}^T$,
247 as a result:

$$\{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{Bd}}^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_I^T\}^T = \mathbf{\Lambda}'_R \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{bI}}, \tag{23}$$

248 with

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}'_R = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}_R & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_I \end{bmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}_R = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_x \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_y \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_x \lambda_y \mathbf{I}_s & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{\text{sm}} & \mathbf{0} & \lambda_x \mathbf{I}_{\text{sm}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{\text{sn}} & \mathbf{0} & \lambda_y \mathbf{I}_{\text{sn}} \end{bmatrix}^T, \tag{24}$$

249 where \mathbf{I}_I , \mathbf{I}_s , \mathbf{I}_{sn} and \mathbf{I}_{sm} are the identity matrices of dimensions I, s, sn and sm, respectively. On
250 the other hand, for the nodal forces:

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}'_L \begin{Bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{Bd}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}, \tag{25}$$

251 with

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}'_L = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}_L & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_I \end{bmatrix}, \hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}_L = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_x^{-1} \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_y^{-1} \mathbf{I}_s & \lambda_x^{-1} \lambda_y^{-1} \mathbf{I}_s & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{\text{sm}} & \mathbf{0} & \lambda_x^{-1} \mathbf{I}_{\text{sm}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{\text{sn}} & \mathbf{0} & \lambda_y^{-1} \mathbf{I}_{\text{sn}} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{26}$$

252 Then, submitting Eq.23 and Eq.25 into Eq.20, this yields:

$$\Lambda'_L \left(\tilde{\mathbf{K}} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M} \right) \Lambda'_R \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{bI} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (27)$$

253 which the standard, linear eigenvalue problem in ω^2 subsequently results from the following:

$$[\mathbf{K}^*(\lambda_x, \lambda_y) - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}^*(\lambda_x, \lambda_y)] \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{bI} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (28)$$

254 The magnitude of the eigenvalue conundrum is equivalent to that of $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{bI}$. The perspective of
 255 the WFEM inverse form involves the fixation of λ_x and λ_y , after which the ω are illustrated. The
 256 formation of the n -th slowness surface is established through $\omega_n^{i,j}$, in which i indicates the i -th term
 257 of wavenumber along x direction, j means the j -th term of wavenumber along y direction, n is the
 258 n -th term of frequency under i and j . The energy flow vector, also known as the Poynting vector,
 259 at a given point (κ_x, κ_y) , is equal to the gradient of the slowness surface. When considering the
 260 iso-frequency contour of the slowness surface, the Poynting vector is perpendicular to the contour
 261 curves. Furthermore, a 2D representation of the slowness surface, referred to as the band structure,
 262 can be attained through plotting λ_x and λ_y along the O–A–B–C–O contour as depicted in Fig. 3(b).

263 3.2. Direct form solution

264 The direct form of the dynamic equilibrium equation will undergo a re-expression post-dynamic
 265 condensation:

$$\mathbb{D} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{Bd} = \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{Bd}, \quad (29)$$

266 where the condensed form of the dynamic stiffness matrix is represented by $\mathbb{D} = \mathbf{D}_{BdBd} -$
 267 $\mathbf{D}_{BdI} \mathbf{D}_I^{-1} \mathbf{D}_{IBd}$, subscript Bd and I are the boundaries and internal DOFs of the unit cell re-
 268 spectively. After the internal DOFs condensation, the boundary nodal DOFs can be expressed
 269 as:

$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{Bd} = \hat{\Lambda}_R \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b, \quad (30)$$

270 where $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_b = \{\hat{\mathbf{u}}_1^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_L^T, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_B^T\}^T$. On the other hand, the nodal forces can be written as:

$$\hat{\Lambda}_L \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{Bd} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (31)$$

271 By incorporating Eqs.30 and 31 into Eq.29, it follows that:

$$\hat{\mathbf{A}}_L \mathbb{D} \hat{\mathbf{A}}_R \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b = \mathbf{0}. \quad (32)$$

272 Suppose one of (λ_x, λ_y) is given (In this work λ_y is given). Subsequently, Eq.32 transforms into
 273 a quadratic eigenvalue issue with respect to λ_x , as depicted below:

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_x} (\lambda_x^2 \mathbf{G} + \lambda_x \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{J}) \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b = \mathbf{0}, \quad (33)$$

274 where \mathbf{G} , \mathbf{H} and \mathbf{J} are addressed in Appendix D. The solution to the eigenvalue problem of a
 275 quadratic nature can be attained through the utilization of the polyeig function. The quadratic
 276 eigen-problem in Eq.33 can be solved using the following linearization:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{J} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b \\ \lambda_x \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b \end{Bmatrix} = \lambda_x \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{G} \\ \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b \\ \lambda_x \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b \end{Bmatrix}. \quad (34)$$

277 In this work, the wavenumber is assumed as $\kappa_y = 0$, which means $\lambda_y = 1$ and then the wave
 278 propagates along the x direction. Finally, wavenumber κ_x can be solved from Eq.34 under different
 279 frequency.

280 3.3. Contour Integral (CI) solution

281 In this part, as shown in Fig.3(b), when the wave propagation is along a heading angle θ , the
 282 wave propagation constants λ_x and λ_y can be defined as:

$$\lambda_x = \exp(-i\kappa_\theta \cos(\theta)L_x), \quad \lambda_y = \exp(-i\kappa_\theta \sin(\theta)L_y), \quad (35)$$

283 in which κ_θ means the wavenumber along the θ direction. Then, submitting Eq.35 into Eq.32. As
 284 a result, the dynamic equilibrium equation will be reformulated in the following form:

$$\left(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_L(\kappa_\theta, \theta) \mathbb{D}(\omega) \hat{\mathbf{A}}_R(\kappa_\theta, \theta) \right) \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b = \mathbf{0}. \quad (36)$$

285 In this work, the frequency ω and the heading angle θ are given, the eigenvalues κ_θ can be
 286 solved within a specific contour Γ :

$$\hat{\mathbb{D}}(\kappa_\theta) \hat{\mathbf{u}}_b = \mathbf{0}, \quad (37)$$

287 where $\hat{\mathbb{D}}(\kappa_\theta) \in \mathbb{C}^{n,n}$, $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_b \in \mathbb{C}^n$, n is the size of the eigenvector. The above nonlinear eigenvalues
 288 problem can be deduced using the CI method [70], which is based on the analysis of the moments

289 related to the matrix $\hat{\mathbb{D}}(\kappa_\theta)$:

$$\mathcal{A}_p = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} (\kappa_\theta)^p \hat{\mathbb{D}}(\kappa_\theta)^{-1} \hat{\mathcal{V}} d\kappa_\theta, \quad (38)$$

290 where $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $\hat{\mathcal{V}} \in \mathbb{C}^{n,l}$ is a probe matrix which can be chosen at random practically. Inside
 291 the contour Γ , moments \mathcal{A}_p includes the spectrum information of $\hat{\mathbb{D}}(\kappa_\theta)$. So as to illustrated the
 292 nonlinear eigenvalue problems, $2\bar{p}$ moments are utilized to built the block Hankel matrices \mathcal{B}_0 and
 293 $\mathcal{B}_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{\bar{p}n, \bar{p}l}$:

$$\mathcal{B}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}_0 & \dots & \mathcal{A}_{\bar{p}-1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathcal{A}_{\bar{p}-1} & \dots & \mathcal{A}_{2\bar{p}-2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{A}_1 & \dots & \mathcal{A}_{\bar{p}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathcal{A}_{\bar{p}} & \dots & \mathcal{A}_{2\bar{p}-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (39)$$

294 in which $\bar{p} \in \mathbb{N}$, $p = 0, \dots, 2\bar{p} - 1$. Then, the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) is expressed as:

$$\mathcal{B}_0 = \mathcal{V} \Sigma \mathcal{W}^H, \quad (40)$$

295 which can be used to confirm the low rank approximation:

$$\mathcal{B}_0 \approx \mathcal{V}_0 \Sigma_0 \mathcal{W}_0^H. \quad (41)$$

296 Namely, a tolerance σ_{tol} is introduced. Only the m leading singular values, which corresponds
 297 the columns of \mathcal{V} and \mathcal{W} , are reserved according to the sorting of the singular values:

$$\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_m \geq \sigma_{tol} \geq \sigma_{m+1} \approx \dots \approx 0. \quad (42)$$

298 Then, the eigenvalues of matrix $\hat{\mathcal{B}}$ can be calculated, whose values are same as the ones by
 299 Eq.37 inside the contour Γ , as follows:

$$\hat{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{V}_0^H \mathcal{B}_1 \mathcal{W}_0 \Sigma^{-1}, \quad (43)$$

300 where $\hat{\mathcal{B}} \in \mathbb{C}^{m,m}$. As a result, the nonlinear eigenvalue problem in Eq.37 is reformulated in terms
 301 of a reduced sized linear eigenvalue problem with the same eigenvalues inside Γ . After the low
 302 rank decomposition, it should be noted that $m \geq n_{sol}$, where n_{sol} is assumed as the number of
 303 eigenvalues within Γ . So as to match the condition above, the number of moments and columns of
 304 the probe matrix have to be chosen as $\bar{p}l \geq n_{sol}$, where $\bar{p} \geq 1$ is necessary. At the same time, for the
 305 accuracy and stability reasons, the maximum order of the moments $2\bar{p} - 1$ must keep small. What

306 is more, a numerical approximation of the integral in Eq.38 is necessary. Set a parametrization of
 307 the contour as:

$$\Gamma = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1(\cos\beta + i\gamma_2\sin\beta), \quad (44)$$

308 where $0 \leq \beta \leq 2\pi$. Based on these circumstances, the integral is approximated by a N -point
 309 trapezoidal rule, which causes to the discrete approximation of Eq.38, one gets:

$$\mathcal{A}_p \approx \frac{\gamma_1}{S} \sum_{j=1}^N (\kappa_\theta)_j^p \omega_j \mathbf{X}_j, \quad (45)$$

310 in which $(\kappa_\theta)_j$ is the integration point along Γ , $\omega_j = (\gamma_2\cos\beta_j + i\sin\beta_j)$ is the weight and
 311 $\hat{\mathbb{D}}((\kappa_\theta)_j)\mathbf{X}_j = \hat{\mathcal{V}}$ is the N linear system to be deduced. In order to ensure the numerical sta-
 312 bility, the monomial basis $((\kappa_\theta - \gamma_0)/\gamma_1)^p$ is applied in Eq.38 and Eq.45 instead of $(\kappa_\theta)^p$. The
 313 procedure above can be used to confirm the wavenumber κ_θ under the different wave propagation
 314 heading angle θ within a closed curve of the complex plane.

315 4. Numerical applications

316 The numerical investigation anchored in the SSG theory holds undeniable value in compre-
 317 hending the dynamic characteristics of complex nano-sized structures. In this section, the inverse
 318 form solution, direct form solution and CI solution of the WFEM are utilized to analyze the wave
 319 propagation of three different nano-sized complex structures.

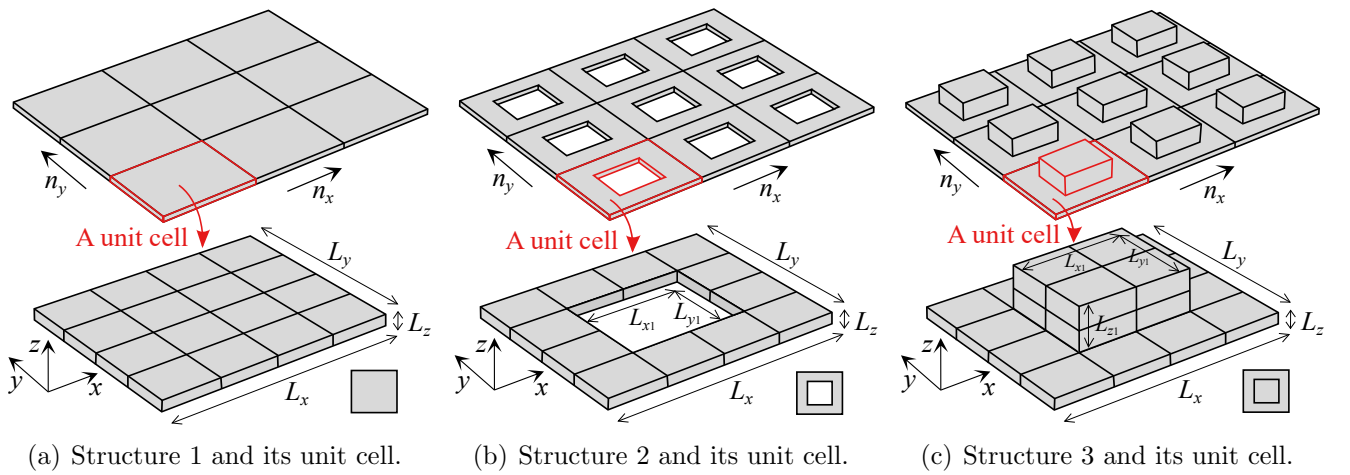


Fig. 4: Three different periodic nano-sized structures and their meshed unit cell. Element number $n = 16$ in unit cell 1, $n = 12$ in unit cell 2 and $n = 24$ in unit cell 3.

320 As shown in Fig.4, three different periodic nano-sized structures constructed with unit cells are

321 introduced. The material of these three structures is Aluminum (Al) with $L_x = 200a_0$, $L_y = 160a_0$,
 322 $L_z = 10a_0$, $L_{x1} = 100a_0$, $L_{y1} = 80a_0$, $L_{z1} = 40a_0$ (the lattice parameter $a_0 = 4.046 \times 10^{-10}$ m).
 323 The Young's modulus, denoted as E , is determined to be 70×10^9 Pa, while the mass density,
 324 represented as ρ , is equal to 2700 kg/m^3 [71]. Additionally, the damping loss factor, designated as
 325 η , is equal to 10^{-4} . The higher-order parameters for Al [65] are depicted in Table 1.

Table 1: Higher-order parameters $a_i(\text{eV}/\text{\AA})$, $b_i(\text{eV}\cdot\text{\AA})$ and $c_i(\text{eV}/\text{\AA})$. ($1\text{eV} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$ J, $1\text{\AA}=10^{-10}$ m)

a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5	b_1	b_2	b_3	b_4	b_5
0.1407	0.0027	-0.0083	0.0966	0.2584	0.7927	0.0644	-0.1943	-0.0009	0.0009
b_6	b_7	c_1	c_2	c_3					
16.1566	48.5291	0.5041	0.3569	0.1782					

326 4.1. Dispersion relation

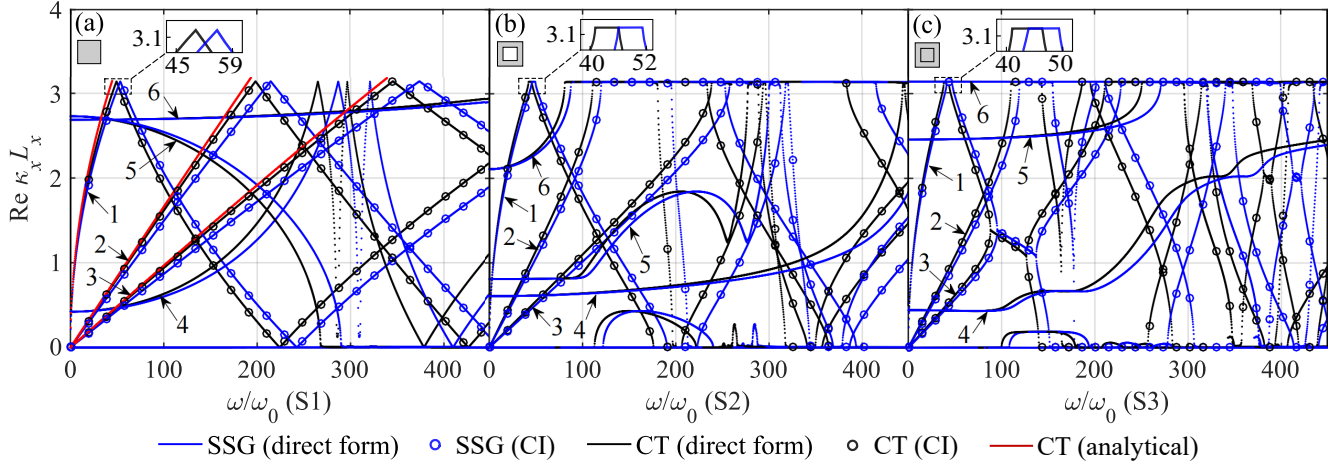


Fig. 5: Dispersion relations of three structures by the WFEM direct form and CI solutions. (a): structure 1 (S1), (b): structure 2 (S2), (c): structure 3 (S3). 1: bending, 2: shearing, 3: tension.

327 In this part, to analyze the wave propagation along the x direction, as illustrated in Fig.5,
 328 the dispersion relations of three waveguides are calculated using the WFEM direct form. Only
 329 the waves with positive real parts are depicted, as the waves of both negative and positive are
 330 symmetrical relative to the x -axis. The wavenumber's real part, $\text{Re}(\kappa_j)$, is defined as the phase
 331 shift per unit length. Normalization of frequency is expressed as ω/ω_0 , with ω_0 representing the
 332 unit cell's first natural frequency. The blue lines signify the outcome of the SSG theory, while
 333 the black lines represent the outcome of the CT. The curve produced by the SSG theory is nearly
 334 indistinguishable from that of the CT at low frequency. However, as the frequency increases, the
 335 disparity between the results of the SSG and CT becomes increasingly apparent, which demon-
 336 strates the existence of the size effects in the nano structures clearly. According the SSG theory,

337 the stiffness hardening phenomena [72] appears in nano structures at the high frequency because
 338 of the higher-order parts in the strain energy density containing non classical parameters related
 339 to the long-range interactions between the microscopic particles. This significant phenomena can
 340 not be illustrated by non-local elasticity theory and surface elasticity theory.

341 On the other hand, in order to verify the results of WFEM direct form, the CI method under
 342 the propagation heading angle $\theta = 0$ is applied. The first three modes (bending, shearing and
 343 tension) are calculated. The curves of the first three modes by the CI match the ones by the
 344 direct form well. At the same time, the classical analytical methods for the tension, shearing and
 345 bending cases [73] are applied to validate the results of the WFEM CT in structure 1. The results
 346 obtained from classical analytical methods are consistent with those obtained from the WFEM CT
 347 at low frequencies, demonstrating the compatibility between the two methods, but the discrepancy
 348 between them becomes bigger as the frequency increases. Here, it should be pointed out that there
 349 exist higher-order modes (e.g., modes 4, 5, 6) that the classical analytical methods can not predict.
 350 Note that the normalized first cut-off frequency for the complex thickness contractional wave 4
 351 [55] in structure 1 is 260 by the CT, instead of 280 by the SSG. The wave 4 in structure 2 and
 352 3 propagates continuously in the studied frequency domain. However, the classification of wave
 353 modes becomes more confusing when dealing with complex waves such as 5 and 6.

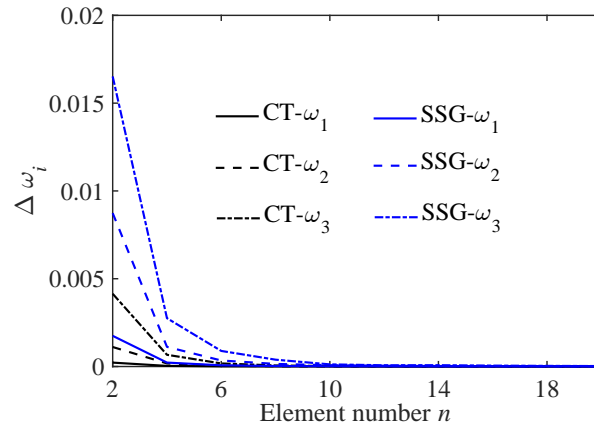


Fig. 6: Convergence of the dispersion relation in structure 1 when $\kappa_x L_x = \pi$ by the SSG and the CT.

354 What is more, as shown in Fig.5, the wave propagation characteristics of these three structures
 355 are different. In the structure 1, there is no band gap for the first six waves. But in the structures
 356 2 and 3, there exist band gaps. The first band gap of wave 1 in structure 2 and 3 starts at around
 357 $\omega/\omega_0 = 40$. The first band gap range of the wave 1 in structure 2 is similar to the one in structure
 358 3. However, the first band gap ranges of the wave 2 and 3 in structure 2 are very different to the
 359 ones in structure 3. For the higher-order wave such as the wave 6, whose first band gap starts at

360 around $\omega/\omega_0 = 80$ in structure 2, but $\omega/\omega_0 = 0$ in structure 3. Fig. 6 is about the convergence
 361 of the first three frequencies in structure 1 when $\kappa_x L_x = \pi$ by the SSG and the CT. The meshed
 362 element number of a unit cell in structure 1 serves as the horizontal coordinate, while the vertical
 363 coordinate represents the frequency variant: $\Delta\omega_i = |(\omega_{i(n+1)} - \omega_{i(n)})|$, where $i=1, 2, 3$ means the
 364 first three frequencies, n is the meshed element number of a unit cell. As illustrated in Fig. 6, there
 365 is a decline in frequency diversity as the number of elements in a unit cell increases, exhibiting a
 366 convergent trait.

367 4.2. Band structures

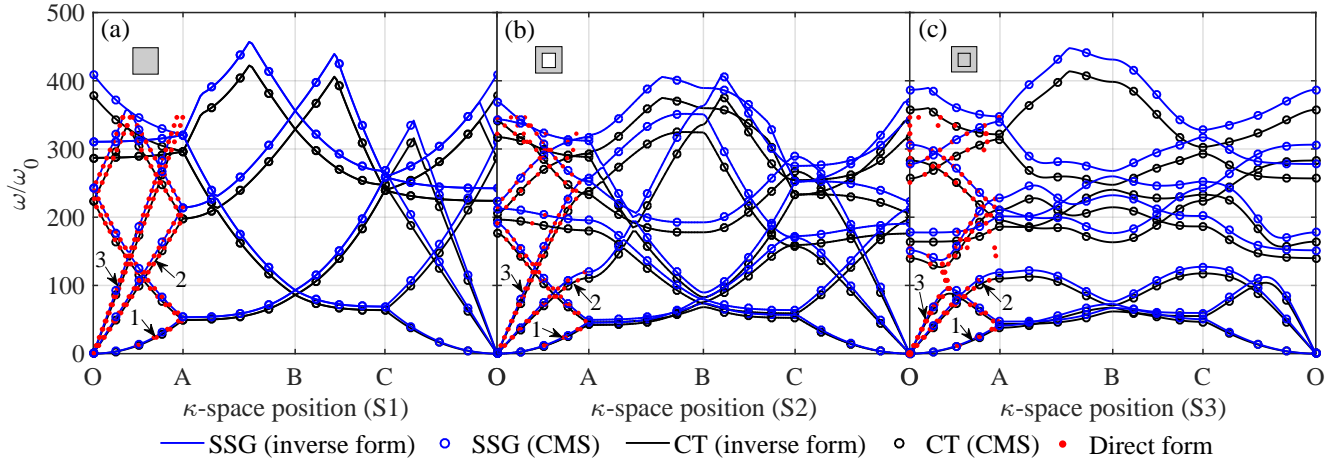


Fig. 7: Band structures of three structures by the WFEM inverse form. (a): structure 1 (S1), (b): structure 2 (S2), (c): structure 3 (S3). Red points: the first three modes from the WFEM direct form. 1: bending, 2: shearing, 3: tension.

368 Next, So as to illustrate the wave propagation along the x and y , the band structures of three
 369 nano structures are introduced based on the WFEM inverse form. As presented in Fig.7, the
 370 illustration depicts the five branches with the lowest normalized frequency spectrums along O-A-
 371 B-C-O. The blue lines indicate the outcomes derived from the SSG theory, while the black lines
 372 symbolize the outcomes obtained from the CT. The curve produced by the SSG is substantially
 373 similar to that produced by the CT at low frequencies. However, as the frequency increases, the
 374 distinction between the CT and the SSG becomes increasingly pronounced. On the other hand,
 375 the SSG's frequency value surpasses that of the CT at equivalent κ -space locations, which can be
 376 attributed to the fact that the dynamical equilibrium equation in the SSG theory includes non-
 377 classical components that possess higher-order parameters. As a result, the eigenvalue ω derived
 378 from the SSG theory surpasses that of the CT under the same κ -space. So as to validate the result
 379 in this part, a Component Mode Synthesis (CMS) method [74] is used. The result by WFEM

380 inverse form matches the CMS well. On the other hand, there is a visible band gap between
 381 the third branch and fourth branch in the structure 3. At the same time, the result shows that
 382 some parts of the waves by the direct form cannot be predicted by the inverse form, such as the
 383 waves marked in red points between the third branch and fourth branch in the structure 3. This
 384 phenomenon can be described as that in the framework of direct form, different waves can cross
 385 and switch in some certain frequency ranges.

386 4.3. Slowness surfaces

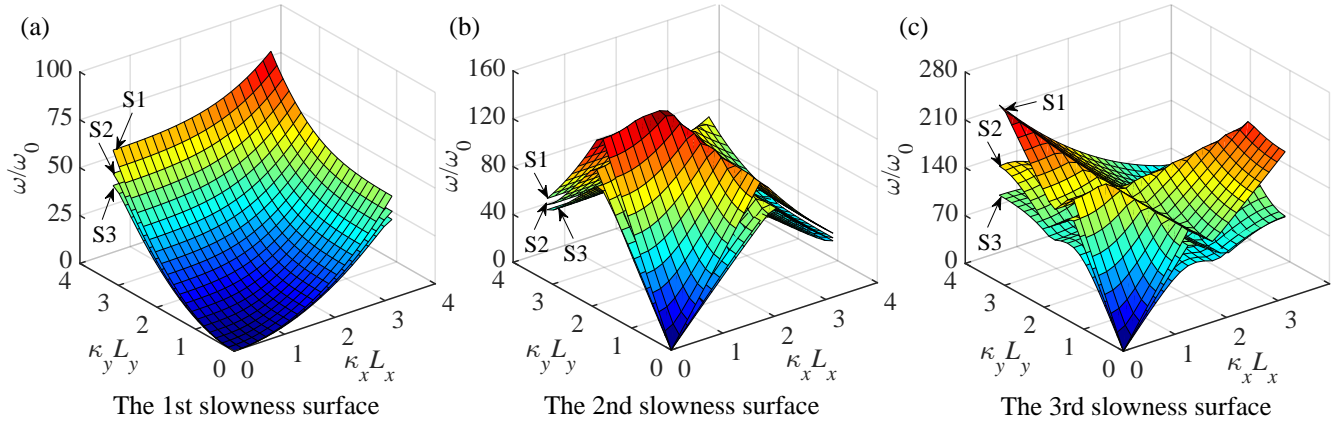


Fig. 8: The first three slowness surfaces of three structures in the first quadrant by the SSG. S1: structure 1, S2: structure 2, S3: structure 3.

387 In this part, the first three slowness surfaces of three structures in the first quadrant, as
 388 presented in Fig. 8, are introduced based on the SSG to study the wave propagation in the whole
 389 first Brillouin zone. The 3D surfaces exhibit symmetry in relation to κ_x and κ_y . It shows that the
 390 position of the slowness surface for structure 1 is elevated compared to structures 2 and 3, which
 391 means that the energy in the structure 1 is biggest and the energy in the structure 3 is smallest on
 392 each slowness surface at the same κ -space position. The difference between the slowness surfaces is
 393 caused by the different wave propagating and controlling capacity of each structure. The structure
 394 1 has the high wave propagating capacity and low wave controlling capacity. The structure 3 has
 395 the low wave propagating capacity and high wave controlling capacity. The wave propagating and
 396 controlling capacity of structure 2 is between those of structures 1 and 3. On the other hand, the
 397 result shows that the 1st slowness surface of each structure is smooth, but the 2nd and 3rd slowness
 398 surfaces of each structure are rough. On the 1st slowness surface, the energy is always uniformly
 399 distributed in the first Brillouin zone. However, on the 2nd and 3rd slowness surfaces, the main
 400 energy is distributed in some specific regions. For example, the main energy is distributed along

401 the y -axis on the 2nd slowness surface. However, the main energy is distributed at the κ -space
 402 position A and C on the 3rd slowness surface.

403 4.4. Energy flow vector fields

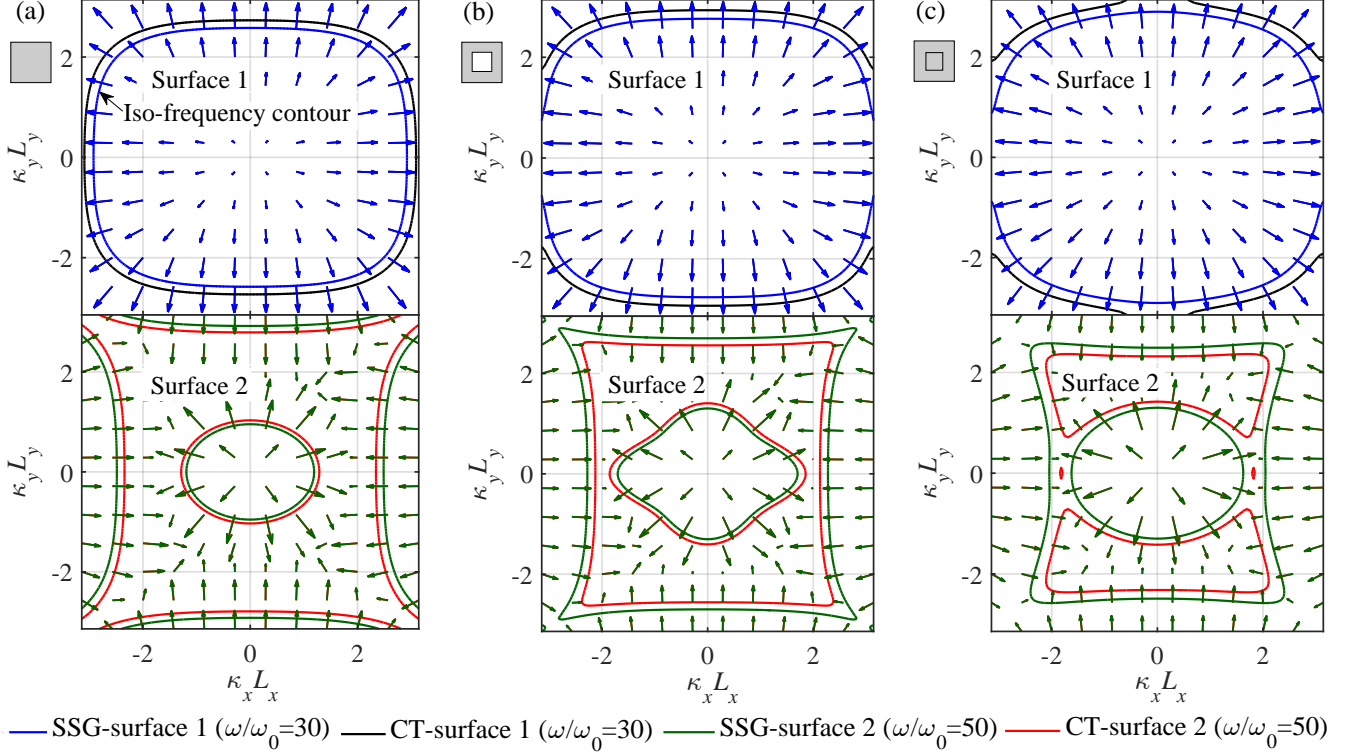


Fig. 9: The energy flow on the first two slowness surfaces of three structures by the CT and the SSG. (a): structure 1, (b): structure 2, (c): structure 3.

404 For the purpose of delving deeper into the wave propagation in nano structures, an investigation
 405 is conducted into the energy flow on the first two slowness surfaces of three nano structures using
 406 both the SSG and CT methods. As presented in Fig.9, the direction and length of the arrow denote
 407 the energy flow direction and gradient value respectively. The normalized frequencies of the iso-
 408 frequency contours are chosen as 30 and 50 on the first and second slowness surfaces respectively.
 409 The propagation of a plane wave is presented by the wave number κ_θ under the heading angle
 410 θ . The arrows from the SSG and the CT almost overlap on the xy plane, which means that
 411 the direction and gradient of energy flow projected onto the xy plane by the SSG are essentially
 412 equivalent as that by the CT. On the first slowness surface, the wave propagates in all directions.
 413 The iso-frequency contour posited by the SSG is situated within the one determined by the CT,
 414 indicating that the κ_θ computed by the SSG is of a lesser magnitude than that calculated by
 415 the CT for the same heading angle θ . On the second slowness surface, the energy propagates
 416 outward in the middle part, but inward at the edge. The position of the iso-frequency contour as

417 determined by the SSG lies exterior to that of the CT at the periphery, yet it lies interior to the
418 contour established by the CT in the central region.

419 On the other hand, when it comes to low frequency waves, the wave propagation properties of
420 the three structures bear a remarkable resemblance to one another. However, at high frequency,
421 the wave propagation of three structures are different, which can be clearly observed in Fig.9:
422 the range of energy that propagates outward in the structure 3 is the largest, but the smallest in
423 the structure 1 under the same theory. Additionally, the SSG theory encompasses higher-order
424 parameters that showcase non-local properties, thereby inducing a "hardening" effect on the nano
425 structure. As a result, the wave propagation range experiences a transformation.

426 5. Conclusions

427 In this paper, the SSG theory, which is integrated with the WFEM, is utilized to conduct a
428 wave propagation analysis of three complex nano structures. In order to accomplish the numerical
429 modeling, firstly, the constitutive relations of the three-dimensional nano-sized structure are
430 confirmed through the SSG. The displacement field is determined through the utilization of six
431 quintic Hermite polynomial interpolating functions. The calculation of the weak form, inclusive of
432 the element matrices, is performed by employing Hamilton's principle.

433 Subsequently, the dispersion relations for three nano structures are illustrated by the WFEM
434 direct form solution and the Contour Integral (CI) solution respectively. The advantage of the
435 WFEM is that it can predict the higher-order waves in nano-structures which cannot be solved by
436 the analytical solution. It shows that the results of the first three modes by the direct form solution
437 confirm the ones by the CI solution under the heading angle $\theta = 0$. The presence of non-classical
438 components featuring higher-order parameters within SSG can induce special stiffness-hardening
439 within nano-sized structures. The wave propagation characteristics of these three nano structures
440 are different. In the structure 1, there is no band gap for the first six waves. But in the structures
441 2 and 3, there exist band gaps.

442 Furthermore, the band structures of three nano structures are confirmed through the WFEM
443 inverse form solution respectively. The comparative analysis between the SSG and CT band structure
444 curves reveals that the former exhibits close proximity to the latter at lower frequencies.
445 However, the difference between the two curves becomes increasingly pronounced as the frequency
446 increases. The frequency by the SSG is bigger than the CT under the same κ -space point. Some
447 parts of the waves by the direct form cannot be predicted by the inverse form, such as the connection
448 waves between the third branch and fourth branch in the structure 3.

449 Lastly, the discussion pertaining to the energy flow and the slowness surfaces of three nano
450 structures is conducted. Results obtained show that the slowness surface position of structure 1 is
451 higher than structures 2 and 3, which means that the energy in the structure 1 is biggest and the
452 energy in the structure 3 is smallest on each slowness surface under same κ -space. The structure
453 1 has the high wave propagating capacity and low wave controlling capacity, while the structure
454 3 has the low wave propagating capacity and high wave controlling capacity. Furthermore, due to
455 the existence of the "hardening" phenomena in the nano structures through the SSG, the wave
456 propagation range experiences a transformation.

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461 Appendix A. Definition of matrices Ψ_1 , Ψ_2 and Ψ_3 in Eq.3

$$462 \quad \Psi_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x & 0 & 0 & 0 & \partial_z & 0 \\ 0 & \partial_y & 0 & \partial_z & 0 & \partial_y \\ 0 & 0 & \partial_z & \partial_y & \partial_x & \partial_x \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \Psi_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{e}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{e}_1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \{\partial_{xx}, \partial_{yy}, \partial_{zz}, 2\partial_{xy}, 2\partial_{xz}, 2\partial_{yz}\}^T,$$

$$463 \quad \Psi_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{e}_2 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{e}_2 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \{\partial_{xxx}, \partial_{yyy}, \partial_{zzz}, 3\partial_{xxy}, 3\partial_{xxz}, 3\partial_{yyx}, 3\partial_{yyz}, 3\partial_{zzx}, 3\partial_{zzy}, 6\partial_{xyz}\}^T, \text{ where sym-}$$

464 bol \otimes indicates the Kronecker product, $\mathbf{e}_{1(6 \times 1)}$ and $\mathbf{e}_{2(10 \times 1)}$ are the vectors of ones.

465 Appendix B. Definition of matrices $\mathbf{L}_{(6 \times 6)}$, $\mathbf{A}_{(18 \times 18)}$, $\mathbf{B}_{(30 \times 30)}$ and $\mathbf{C}_{(6 \times 30)}$ in Eq.4

466 **The matrix $\mathbf{L}_{(6 \times 6)}$:** $\mathbf{L}_{(1,1)} = \mathbf{L}_{(2,2)} = \mathbf{L}_{(3,3)} = \lambda + 2\mu$, $\mathbf{L}_{(4,4)} = \mathbf{L}_{(5,5)} = \mathbf{L}_{(6,6)} = \mu$, $\mathbf{L}_{(1,2)} = \mathbf{L}_{(2,1)} =$
467 $\mathbf{L}_{(1,3)} = \mathbf{L}_{(3,1)} = \mathbf{L}_{(2,3)} = \mathbf{L}_{(3,2)} = \lambda$.

468 **The matrix $\mathbf{A}_{(18 \times 18)}$:** $\mathbf{A}_{(1,1)} = 2(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(1,2)} = \mathbf{A}_{(2,1)} = a_2 + 2a_3$, $\mathbf{A}_{(1,3)} =$
469 $\mathbf{A}_{(3,1)} = a_2 + 2a_3$, $\mathbf{A}_{(1,4)} = \mathbf{A}_{(4,1)} = (2a_1 + a_2)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(1,5)} = \mathbf{A}_{(5,1)} = (2a_1 + a_2)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(2,2)} = 2(a_3 + a_4)$,
470 $\mathbf{A}_{(2,3)} = \mathbf{A}_{(3,2)} = 2(a_3)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(2,4)} = \mathbf{A}_{(4,2)} = (a_2 + 2a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(2,5)} = \mathbf{A}_{(5,2)} = (a_2)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(3,3)} = 2(a_3 + a_4)$,
471 $\mathbf{A}_{(3,4)} = \mathbf{A}_{(4,3)} = a_2/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(3,5)} = \mathbf{A}_{(5,3)} = (a_2 + 2a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(4,4)} = (a_1 + 2a_4 + a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(4,5)} = \mathbf{A}_{(5,4)} =$
472 $(a_1)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(5,5)} = (a_1 + 2a_4 + a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(6,6)} = 2(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(6,7)} = \mathbf{A}_{(7,6)} = a_2 + 2a_3$,
473 $\mathbf{A}_{(6,8)} = \mathbf{A}_{(8,6)} = a_2 + 2a_3$, $\mathbf{A}_{(6,9)} = \mathbf{A}_{(9,6)} = (2a_2 + a_2)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(6,10)} = \mathbf{A}_{(10,6)} = (2a_2 + a_2)/2$,

474 $\mathbf{A}_{(7,7)} = 2(a_3 + a_4)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(7,8)} = \mathbf{A}_{(8,7)} = 2(a_3)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(7,9)} = \mathbf{A}_{(9,7)} = (a_2 + 2a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(7,10)} = \mathbf{A}_{(10,7)} = (a_2)/2$,
475 $\mathbf{A}_{(8,8)} = 2(a_3 + a_4)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(8,9)} = \mathbf{A}_{(9,8)} = a_2/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(8,10)} = \mathbf{A}_{(10,8)} = (a_2 + 2a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(9,9)} = (a_1 + 2a_4 + a_5)/2$,
476 $\mathbf{A}_{(9,10)} = \mathbf{A}_{(10,9)} = (a_1)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(10,10)} = (a_1 + 2a_4 + a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(11,11)} = 2(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5)$,
477 $\mathbf{A}_{(11,12)} = \mathbf{A}_{(12,11)} = a_2 + 2a_3$, $\mathbf{A}_{(11,13)} = \mathbf{A}_{(13,11)} = a_2 + 2a_3$, $\mathbf{A}_{(11,14)} = \mathbf{A}_{(14,11)} = (2a_2 + a_2)/2$,
478 $\mathbf{A}_{(11,15)} = \mathbf{A}_{(15,11)} = (2a_2 + a_2)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(12,12)} = 2(a_3 + a_4)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(12,13)} = \mathbf{A}_{(13,12)} = 2(a_3)$, $\mathbf{A}_{(12,14)} =$
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481 $\mathbf{A}_{(15,15)} = (a_1 + 2a_4 + a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(16,16)} = a_4$, $\mathbf{A}_{(16,17)} = \mathbf{A}_{(17,16)} = (a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(16,18)} = \mathbf{A}_{(18,16)} = (a_5)/2$,
482 $\mathbf{A}_{(17,17)} = a_4$, $\mathbf{A}_{(17,18)} = \mathbf{A}_{(18,17)} = (a_5)/2$, $\mathbf{A}_{(18,18)} = a_4$.

483 **The matrix $\mathbf{B}_{(30 \times 30)}$:** $\mathbf{B}_{(1,1)} = 2(b_1 + b_2 + b_3 + b_4 + b_5 + b_6 + b_7)$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,6)} = \mathbf{B}_{(6,1)} = (2b_1 + b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_5)/3$,
484 $\mathbf{B}_{(1,8)} = \mathbf{B}_{(8,1)} = (2b_1 + b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_5)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,12)} = \mathbf{B}_{(12,1)} = 2b_1$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,14)} = \mathbf{B}_{(14,1)} = (2b_1 + 2b_2 + b_3)/3$,
485 $\mathbf{B}_{(1,19)} = \mathbf{B}_{(19,1)} = 2b_1/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,23)} = \mathbf{B}_{(23,1)} = 2b_1$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,25)} = \mathbf{B}_{(25,1)} = (2b_1 + 2b_2 + b_3)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(1,27)} =$
486 $\mathbf{B}_{(27,1)} = 2b_1/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,2)} = 2(b_5 + b_6)$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,4)} = \mathbf{B}_{(4,2)} = (b_3 + 2b_5)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,9)} = \mathbf{B}_{(9,2)} = 2b_5/3$,
487 $\mathbf{B}_{(2,11)} = \mathbf{B}_{(11,2)} = 2b_4$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,16)} = \mathbf{B}_{(16,2)} = (b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_7)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,18)} = \mathbf{B}_{(18,2)} = 2b_4/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(2,30)} =$
488 $\mathbf{B}_{(30,2)} = b_3/6$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,3)} = 2(b_5 + b_6)$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,5)} = \mathbf{B}_{(5,3)} = (b_3 + 2b_5)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,7)} = \mathbf{B}_{(7,3)} = 2b_5/3$,
489 $\mathbf{B}_{(3,20)} = \mathbf{B}_{(20,3)} = b_3/6$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,21)} = \mathbf{B}_{(21,3)} = 2b_4$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,26)} = \mathbf{B}_{(26,3)} = 2b_4/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(3,28)} = \mathbf{B}_{(28,3)} =$
490 $(b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_7)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(4,4)} = 2(2b_2 + b_3 + b_5 + 3b_6 + 2b_7)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(4,9)} = \mathbf{B}_{(9,4)} = (b_3 + 2b_5)/3/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(4,11)} =$
491 $\mathbf{B}_{(11,4)} = (b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_7)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(4,16)} = \mathbf{B}_{(16,4)} = 2(2b_2 + b_3 + b_4)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(4,18)} = \mathbf{B}_{(18,4)} = (b_3 + 2b_4)/9$,
492 $\mathbf{B}_{(4,30)} = \mathbf{B}_{(30,4)} = (2b_2 + b_3)/18$, $\mathbf{B}_{(5,5)} = 2(2b_2 + b_3 + b_5 + 3b_6 + 2b_7)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(5,7)} = \mathbf{B}_{(7,5)} = (b_3 + 2b_5)/3/3$,
493 $\mathbf{B}_{(5,19)} = \mathbf{B}_{(19,5)} = (2b_2 + b_3)/18$, $\mathbf{B}_{(5,20)} = \mathbf{B}_{(20,5)} = (b_3 + 2b_4 + 2b_7)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(5,25)} = \mathbf{B}_{(25,5)} =$
494 $(b_3 + 2b_4)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(5,27)} = \mathbf{B}_{(27,5)} = 2(2b_2 + b_3 + b_4)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(6,6)} = 2(b_2 + 3b_6 + b_7)/9 + 2(b_1 + b_4 + b_5)/9$,
495 $\mathbf{B}_{(6,8)} = \mathbf{B}_{(8,6)} = 2(b_1 + b_4 + b_5)/9$, $\mathbf{B}_{(6,12)} = \mathbf{B}_{(12,6)} = (2b_1 + 2b_2 + b_3)/3$, $\mathbf{B}_{(6,14)} = \mathbf{B}_{(14,6)} =$
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527 **The matrix $\mathbf{C}_{(6 \times 30)}$:** $\mathbf{C}_{(1,1)} = c_1 + c_2 + c_3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(1,6)} = (c_1 + c_3)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(1,8)} = (c_1 + c_3)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(1,12)} = c_1$,
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530 $\mathbf{C}_{(2,25)} = c_1$, $\mathbf{C}_{(2,27)} = (c_1 + c_2)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,1)} = c_1$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,6)} = c_1$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,8)} = (c_1 + c_2)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,12)} = c_1$,
531 $\mathbf{C}_{(3,14)} = c_1$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,19)} = (c_1 + c_2)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,23)} = c_1 + c_2 + c_3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,25)} = (c_1 + c_3)/3$, $\mathbf{C}_{(3,27)} = (c_1 + c_3)/3$,
532 $\mathbf{C}_{(4,10)} = c_2/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(4,13)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(4,15)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(4,17)} = (2c_2 + c_3)/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(4,22)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(4,24)} = c_3/2$,
533 $\mathbf{C}_{(4,29)} = (2c_2 + c_3)/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,3)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,5)} = (2c_2 + c_3)/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,7)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,20)} = c_2/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,21)} =$
534 $c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,26)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(5,28)} = (2c_2 + c_3)/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(6,2)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(6,4)} = (2c_2 + c_3)/6$, $\mathbf{C}_{(6,9)} = c_3/2$,
535 $\mathbf{C}_{(6,11)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(6,18)} = c_3/2$, $\mathbf{C}_{(6,30)} = c_2/6$. Here, it should be noted that the values of the rest
536 parts that not mentioned in the matrices \mathbf{L} , \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{C} are 0.

537 **Appendix C. Definition of $S_1^0(\bar{x})$, $S_1^1(\bar{x})$, $S_1^2(\bar{x})$, $S_2^0(\bar{x})$, $S_2^1(\bar{x})$ and $S_2^2(\bar{x})$ in Eq.9**

538 $S_1^0(\bar{x})=5\bar{x}^3/(8l_e^3) - 15\bar{x}/(16l_e) - 3\bar{x}^5/(16l_e^5) + 1/2$, $S_1^1(\bar{x})=5l_e/16 - 7\bar{x}/16 - 3\bar{x}^2/(8l_e) + 5\bar{x}^3/(8l_e^2) +$
539 $\bar{x}^4/(16l_e^3) - 3\bar{x}^5/(16l_e^4)$, $S_1^2(\bar{x})=l_e^2/16 - l_e\bar{x}/16 - \bar{x}^2/8 + \bar{x}^3/(8l_e) + \bar{x}^4/(16l_e^2) - \bar{x}^5/(16l_e^3)$, $S_2^0(\bar{x})=15\bar{x}/(16l_e) -$
540 $5\bar{x}^3/(8l_e^3) + 3\bar{x}^5/(16l_e^5) + 1/2$, $S_2^1(\bar{x})=3\bar{x}^2/(8l_e) - 7\bar{x}/16 - 5l_e/16 + 5\bar{x}^3/(8l_e^2) - \bar{x}^4/(16l_e^3) - 3\bar{x}^5/(16l_e^4)$,
541 $S_2^2(\bar{x})=l_e\bar{x}/16 + l_e^2/16 - \bar{x}^2/8 - \bar{x}^3/(8l_e) + \bar{x}^4/(16l_e^2) + \bar{x}^5/(16l_e^3)$.

542 **Appendix D. Expressions of the coefficients G, H and J in Eq.33**

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$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_{11} & \mathbf{G}_{1L} & \mathbf{G}_{1B} \\ \mathbf{G}_{L1} & \mathbf{G}_{LL} & \mathbf{G}_{LB} \\ \mathbf{G}_{B1} & \mathbf{G}_{BL} & \mathbf{G}_{BB} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{1L} & \mathbf{H}_{1B} \\ \mathbf{H}_{L1} & \mathbf{H}_{LL} & \mathbf{H}_{LB} \\ \mathbf{H}_{B1} & \mathbf{H}_{BL} & \mathbf{H}_{BB} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_{11} & \mathbf{J}_{1L} & \mathbf{J}_{1B} \\ \mathbf{J}_{L1} & \mathbf{J}_{LL} & \mathbf{J}_{LB} \\ \mathbf{J}_{B1} & \mathbf{J}_{BL} & \mathbf{J}_{BB} \end{bmatrix},$$

544 where $\mathbf{G}_{11} = \mathbb{D}_{12} + \mathbb{D}_{34} + \mathbb{D}_{32}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{14}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{G}_{1L} = \mathbb{D}_{1R} + \mathbb{D}_{3R}\lambda_y^{-1}$, $\mathbf{G}_{1B} = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{G}_{L1} = \mathbb{D}_{L2} + \mathbb{D}_{L4}\lambda_y$,
545 $\mathbf{G}_{LL} = \mathbb{D}_{LR}$, $\mathbf{G}_{LB} = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{G}_{B1} = \mathbb{D}_{B2} + \mathbb{D}_{T4} + \mathbb{D}_{T2}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{B4}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{G}_{BL} = \mathbb{D}_{BR} + \mathbb{D}_{TR}\lambda_y^{-1}$, $\mathbf{G}_{BB} = \mathbf{0}$,
546 $\mathbf{H}_{11} = \mathbb{D}_{11} + \mathbb{D}_{22} + \mathbb{D}_{33} + \mathbb{D}_{44} + (\mathbb{D}_{31} + \mathbb{D}_{42})\lambda_y^{-1} + (\mathbb{D}_{13} + \mathbb{D}_{24})\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{H}_{1L} = \mathbb{D}_{1L} + \mathbb{D}_{2R} + (\mathbb{D}_{3L} + \mathbb{D}_{4R})\lambda_y^{-1}$,
547 $\mathbf{H}_{1B} = \mathbb{D}_{1B} + \mathbb{D}_{3T} + \mathbb{D}_{3B}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{1T}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{H}_{L1} = \mathbb{D}_{L1} + \mathbb{D}_{R2} + \mathbb{D}_{L3}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{R4}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{H}_{LL} = \mathbb{D}_{LL} + \mathbb{D}_{RR}$,
548 $\mathbf{H}_{LB} = \mathbb{D}_{LB} + \mathbb{D}_{LT}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{H}_{B1} = \mathbb{D}_{B1} + \mathbb{D}_{T3} + \mathbb{D}_{T1}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{B3}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{H}_{BL} = \mathbb{D}_{BL} + \mathbb{D}_{TL}\lambda_y^{-1}$, $\mathbf{H}_{BB} =$
549 $\mathbb{D}_{BB} + \mathbb{D}_{TT} + \mathbb{D}_{TB}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{BT}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{J}_{11} = \mathbb{D}_{21} + \mathbb{D}_{43} + \mathbb{D}_{41}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{23}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{J}_{1L} = \mathbb{D}_{2L} + \mathbb{D}_{4L}\lambda_y^{-1}$, $\mathbf{J}_{1B} =$
550 $\mathbb{D}_{2B} + \mathbb{D}_{4T} + \mathbb{D}_{4B}\lambda_y^{-1} + \mathbb{D}_{2T}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{J}_{L1} = \mathbb{D}_{R1} + \mathbb{D}_{R3}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{J}_{LL} = \mathbb{D}_{RL}$, $\mathbf{J}_{LB} = \mathbb{D}_{RB} + \mathbb{D}_{RT}\lambda_y$, $\mathbf{J}_{B1} = \mathbf{0}$,
551 $\mathbf{J}_{BL} = \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{J}_{BB} = \mathbf{0}$.

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