

## 1 Nomenclature

## 2 Equations of Motion for A GEBF Element

The equations of motion for a GEBF element are

$$\dot{\mathbf{h}} = \mathbf{N}' + \mathbf{f} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\dot{\mathbf{g}} = -\tilde{\dot{\mathbf{u}}}\mathbf{h} + \left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{o}}' + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}'\right)\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{M}' + \boldsymbol{\tau}, \quad (2)$$

as given by Bauchau [1].

## 3 Formulation of the “Two-Handle Equations” of Motion

Equations (1 & 2) can be expressed in matrix form as

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{h}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{g}} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ -\tilde{\dot{\mathbf{u}}} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{h} \\ \mathbf{g} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{o}}' + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}' & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{N} \\ \mathbf{M} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{N}' \\ \mathbf{M}' \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{f} \\ \boldsymbol{\tau} \end{Bmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

where the  $\tilde{(\cdot)}$  is the skew symmetric matrix of the vector quantity  $(\cdot)$  and  $(\cdot)'$  is the derivative with respect to the coordinate along the beam axis of  $(\cdot)$ .

## 4 References

### References

- [1] Olivier A. Bauchau. *Flexible Multibody Dynamics*. Solid Mechanics and Its Applications. Springer, 2010.