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Modal Analysis of Rectangular Plate with Central Hole Subjected to Various End Conditions

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Abstract

A series of Eigen value analysis was performed to deal with vibrational characteristics determination of a rectangular plate having cut out at centre subjected to various end conditions. The computations performed in this work analyse the significance of existence of the importance of presence of cut out in the rectangular plate in terms of its dynamic characteristics. These calculations are carried out by using FEM based solver Ansys. A comparison has been made between the uniform rectangular plate with and without hole. The results obtained by using Ansys are evaluated and found that simulation results are in close agreement with the results obtained from the literature survey and are found in good agreement.

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1. Introduction

Plates are defined as plane structural elements with a small thickness compared to planar dimensions. The thickness to width ratio of a plate being less than 0.1. During 19th century numerous plate theories are developed of which two theories are widely accepted in engineering. The Kirchhoff theory and Mindlin plate theory [FSDT]. The analysis of free vibration of plates was well documented by Leissa[1] includes a variety of boundary conditions and

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aspect ratios using trigonometric series. Gorman [2] solved problem on free vibration of rectangular plate with different boundary conditions aspect ratio, poisons ratio using method of super position. The computations based on these two approaches pose serious demands and have been well accepted to match with exact results. Cheng [3] made an attempt to determine the vibrational behaviour around an eccentric hole and revealed the relationship between various parameters eccentricity, hole size, boundary conditions. A closed form of solution in explicit form for mode shapes and natural frequencies was given by Wook Kang et al [4] with good accuracy. Zhou et al [5] in his study used the symmetric expansion to obtain the natural modes of the Kirchoff circular and annular plates. Research on thick plate vibration problems was provided by Liew[6] to some extent and Reisser-Mindlin assumptions are employed for development of plate elements related to thick plates. Apple et al [7] investigated the case where the thickness varied in only one direction and calculated the fundamental frequency of simply supported rectangular plate having linear thickness variation. Plunkett [8] investigated the free vibration of linearly tapered rectangular cantilever plates. Weisensel G. N[9] discussed the result of an extensive literature search and review of available sources of numerical natural frequency information for stationary circular and annular elastic plates. Gorman used method of superposition to examine free vibrational analysis of cantilever plates [10] combination with a clamped and simply supported boundary conditions for rectangular plates [11].More research has been carried out on vibration analysis of plates [12-15].Narita in 2000[15] used modified Ritz method to determine the free vibration analysis of isotropic and anisotropic rectangular thin plates subjected to general boundary conditions.

Nomenclatures

D	Bending rigidity
h	Thickness of plate
E	Young's modulus
f	Natural frequency
$U(x,y)$	Mode shapes
m,n	Mode numbers
ρ	Density
ν	Poisson ratio
λ	Dimensionless parameter
a,b	Dimensions of the plate
x,y	Coordinates of the plate

2. Literature Survey

An isotropic rectangular plate with a central hole under loading conditions have found applications in various fields of engineering such as civil, mechanical, aerospace and automobile. The linear vibration of rectangular plates with cut outs have been studied by several researchers by applying extended methods to isotropic plates to orthotropic plates. In general cut outs are made to lighten the structure for venting and for altering the resonant frequency and therefore it becomes important to determine the natural frequency of these plates, to deal with such type of problems discrete type methods finds its suitability. Of all these discrete methods finite element methods is the most widely used method for such type of problems [16-19]. The behavior of plates with holes has been investigated by Pickett [20]. Liu [21, 22] employed a differential quadrature element method to find out the solution of plate with discontinuities and also successfully employed for vibration of such discontinuous plates. Yang et al [23] used semi analytical methods with solution to act as an alternative to this type of problems. To analyse the irregular shaped plates and plates with curved boundaries Yang et al [23, 24] developed the semi analytical iso parametric strip distributed method to provide an alternative to these problems. For the vibrational analysis of arbitrarily shaped plates Geannakakes[25] used the semi analytical line strip method that uses the beam characteristics of orthogonal polynomials. Using optimized Rayleigh Ritz method Laura [26] suggested a semi analytical method to find out the vibrational analysis of simply supported rectangular plates with rectangular cut

outs. A domain decomposition method based on Rayleigh Ritz method was carried out by Liew et al [27-30] and Liew[31] to study the vibrational characteristics of the plates with mixed edge boundary conditions and shape reentrant geometries. Even the application of boundary element method as an alternative to finite element method can be successfully implemented to analyse plates with irregularities such as cracks and holes [32, 33]

3. MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION

$$[D\left(\frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^4} + 2\frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial y^4}\right) + \rho h \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}] = 0 \quad [1]$$

Substituting

$$u(x, y, t) = U(x, y)e^{j\omega t} \quad [2]$$

gives

$$D\left(\frac{\partial^4 U}{\partial x^4} + 2\frac{\partial^4 U}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 U}{\partial y^4}\right) - \rho h \omega^2 U = 0 \quad [3]$$

Where D is flexural rigidity and defined by

$$D = \frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} \quad [4]$$

For Clamped plate from all edges the boundary conditions are

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} u(0, y, t) = 0 & u(x, 0, t) = 0 \\ u(a, y, t) = 0 & u(x, b, t) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0, y, t) = 0 & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, 0, t) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(a, y, t) = 0 & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(x, b, t) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \quad [5]$$

The natural frequencies of first six mode shapes of rectangular plate with clamped free boundary conditions are considered for study. The dimensionless frequency parameter for rectangular plate is generally a function of the boundary conditions applied at the edges of the plate is given by the equation

Natural frequency

$$f_{ij} = \frac{\lambda_{ij}^2}{2\pi a^2} \left[\frac{Eh^3}{12\rho(1-\nu^2)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad [6]$$

And assumed mode shape to be:

Case 1: Clamped at x=0; &x=a;

$$X(x) = \cos \gamma_1 \left(\frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\sin(\gamma_1/2)}{\sinh(\gamma_1/2)} \cosh \gamma_1 \left(\frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad [7]$$

Where m=2, 4, 6....

The values of γ_1 are obtained as roots of

$$\tan(\gamma_1/2) + \tanh(\gamma_1/2) = 0 \quad [8]$$

$$X(x) = \sin \gamma_2 \left(\frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\sin(\gamma_2 / 2)}{\sinh(\gamma_2 / 2)} \sinh \gamma_2 \left(\frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad [9]$$

Where m=3,5,7....

The values of γ_2 are obtained as roots of

$$\tan(\gamma_2 / 2) + \tanh(\gamma_2 / 2) = 0 \quad [10]$$

Case 2: Clamped at x=0; & free at x=a;

$$X(x) = \cos\left(\frac{\gamma_3 x}{a}\right) - \cosh\left(\frac{\gamma_3 x}{a}\right) + \left(\frac{\sin \gamma_3 - \sinh \gamma_3}{\cos \gamma_3 - \cosh \gamma_3} \right) + \left(\frac{\sin \frac{\gamma_3 x}{a}}{a} - \sinh \frac{\gamma_3 x}{a} \right) \quad [11]$$

m=1,2,3.....

$$\text{where } \cos \gamma_3 \cosh \gamma_3 = -1 \quad [12]$$

4. MATERIAL&MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

The material selected for the case is mild steel and the mechanical properties applied for the plate are given below in table.1.

Table 1: Mechanical properties of Mild steel

Material	Mild steel
Density	7850kg/m ³
Poisson's Ratio	0.34
Young's Modulus	2.1e11N/m ²

5. FINITE ELEMENT MESH& BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

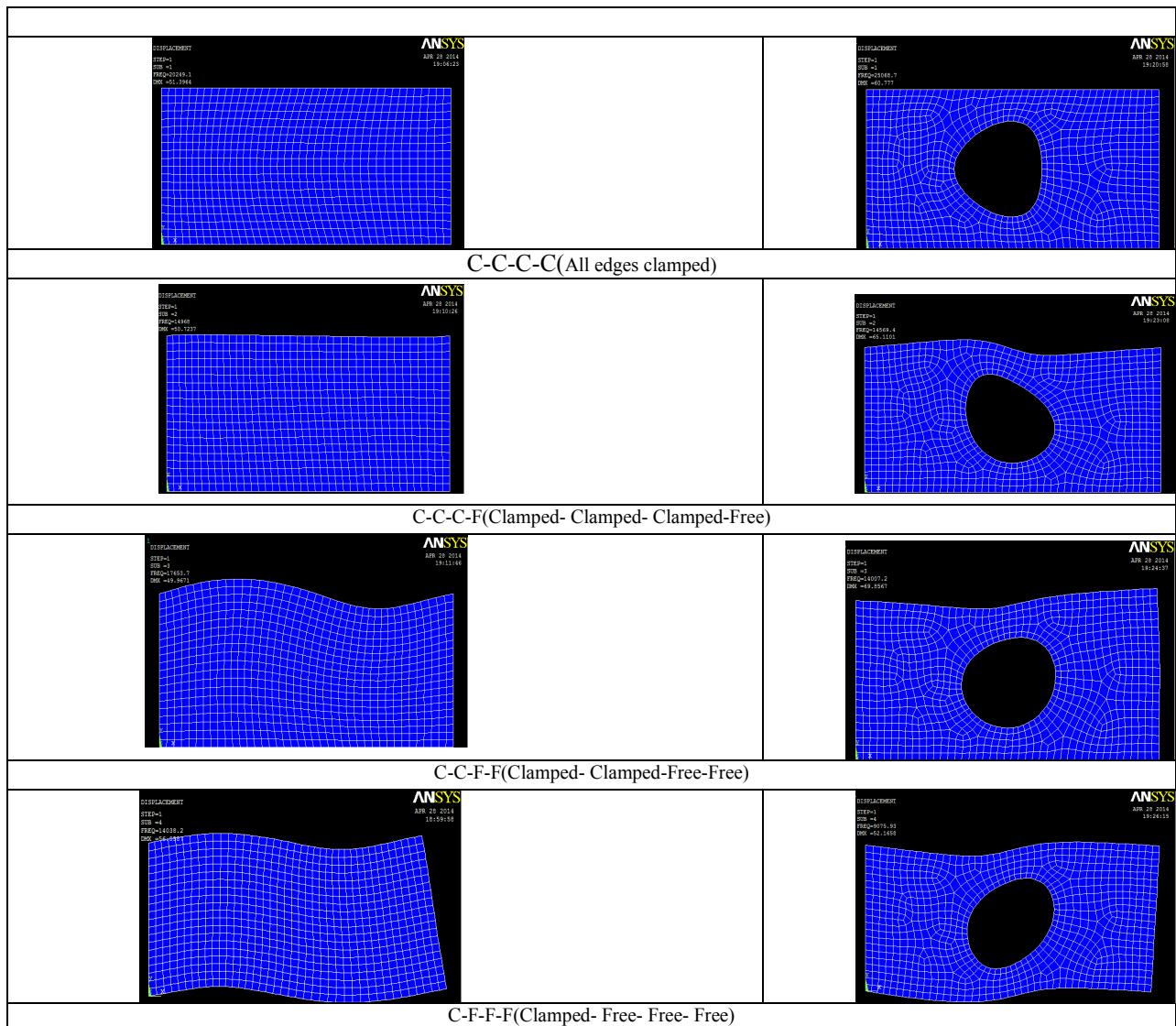
The element type selected for the mesh is triangular free mesh for the plate and the element size is about. The total number of elements created is and the associated nodes are about. Even though the problem is a two dimensional case the thickness cannot be ignored the two dimensional mesh is converted to three dimensional mesh using shell element. Since the element type takes into account of the thickness. The final 3d mesh model consists of totally number of nodes and elements are shown below in figure. Considering the rectangular plate with and without presence of hole various boundary conditions are applied as shown below in table 2&3 respectively. The end condition clamped corresponds to arresting all degrees of freedom.

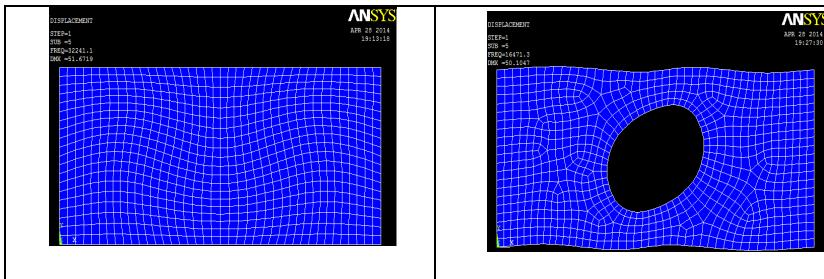
Table2:uniform rec plate without hole and constraints

C-C-C-C	C-C-C-F	C-C-F-F	C-F-F-F	C-F-C-F	C-F-C-C	C-C-F-C	C-F-F-C
20249	14437	8988.5	1753.3	6397.9	14437	16306	8988.5
26983	14968	13448	6357.9	12593	14968	24290	13448
28424	17654	14692	6093.7	12740	17654	26033	14692
29826	23135	18467	14038	20172	23135	26845	18647
32241	26334	20507	17956	20695	26334	29277	20507
34514	26979	22924	18509	23554	26979	31247	22924

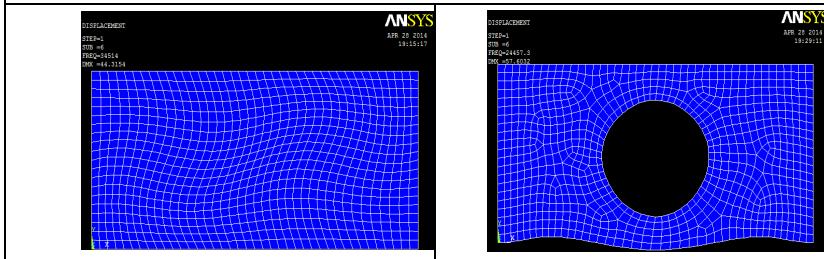
Table3:uniform rec plate with hole and constraints

C-C-C-C	C-C-C-F	C-C-F-F	C-F-F-F	C-F-C-F	C-F-C-C	C-C-F-C	C-F-F-C
25069	12142	7830.3	1529	7556	12142	16320	7830.3
25854	14569	11480	5216.9	10085	14569	25459	11479
30342	17248	14007	7035.5	14010	17248	27216	14007
30393	19886	15691	9075.9	14851	19886	27754	15691
32279	24080	19366	13803	16471	24080	30372	19366
33769	24460	21101	17669	19674	24460	32949	21102

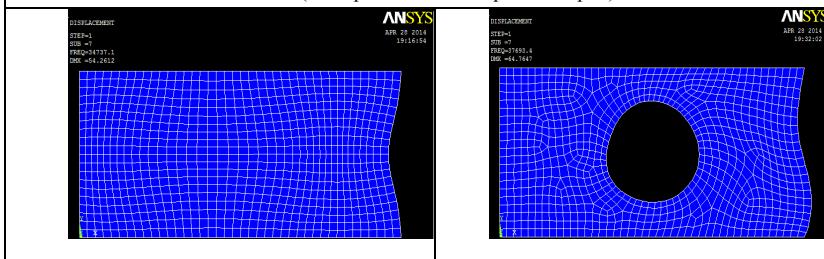




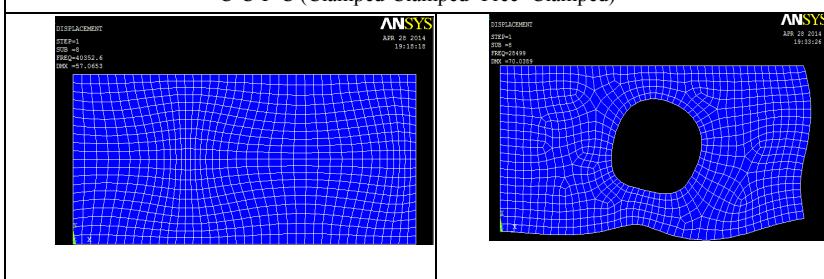
C-F-C-F(Clamped- FreeClamped- Free)



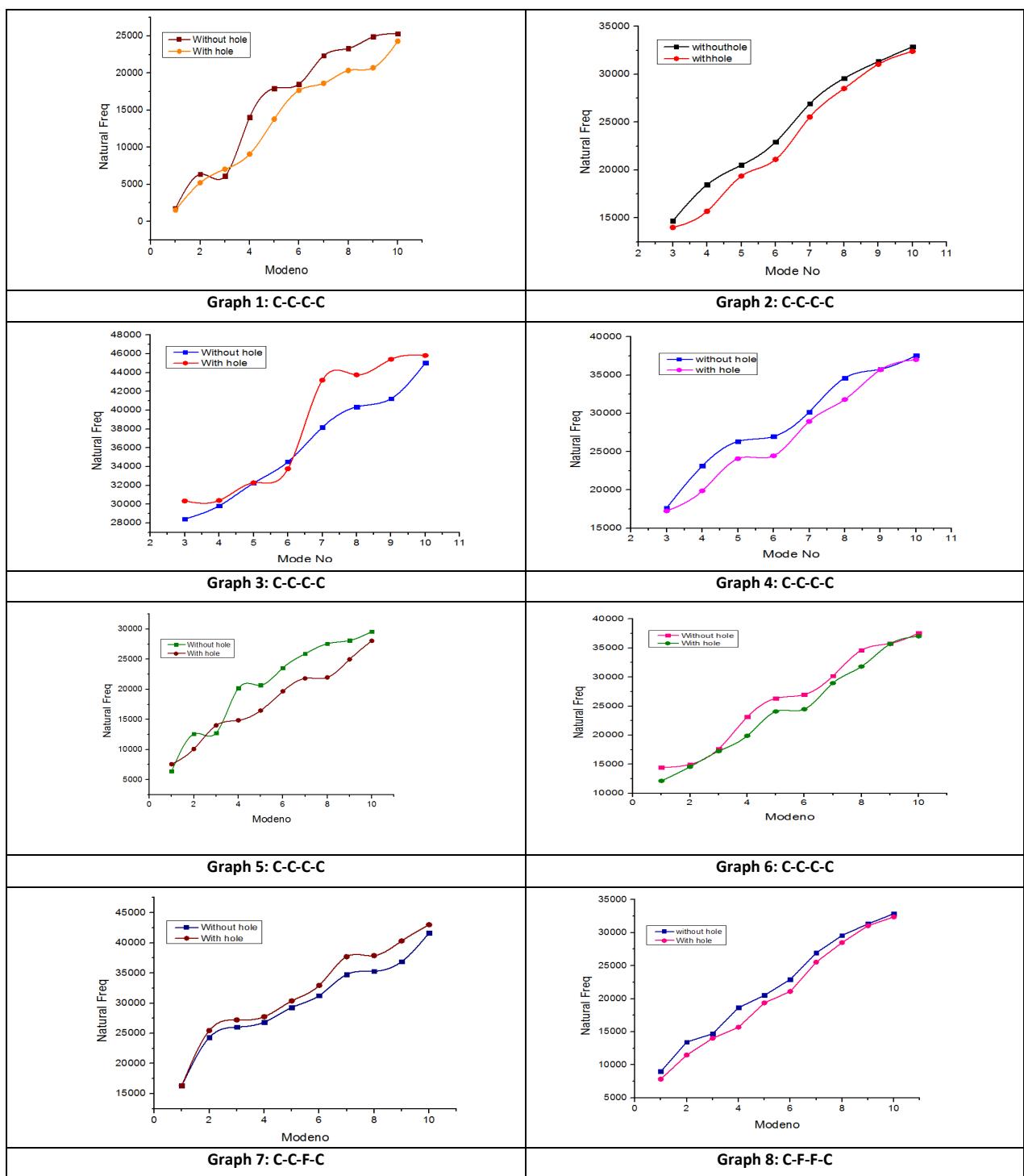
C-F-C-C (Clamped- Free- Clamped-Clamped)



C-C-F-C (Clamped-Clamped- Free- Clamped)



C-F-F-C(Clamped-Free- Free- Clamped)



6. CONCLUSIONS

In attempt from the results tabulated for a rectangular with one of the edges of width fixed and other subjected to various boundary conditions considering width as dependent and length as independent variable the following conclusions are drawn

1. With all the edges of plate width fixed and edges of length clamped plate with hole has higher bending frequencies than plate without hole and torsional frequencies are higher for plate without hole are higher than plate with hole.
2. With all the edges of plate width fixed and any one of the edge of length set to free condition or both the edges set free both the bending modes and torsional modes for plate with hole is less than plate without hole
3. With one of the edge of width subject to free condition and length set to clamped condition both bending and torsional frequencies for plate with hole are greater than without hole.
4. With one of the edge of width subject to free condition and length set to clamped free condition or free free condition both bending and torsional frequencies for plate with hole are less than without hole.
5. From above cases it may be concluded that rectangular plate with central hole and one of its edges [width] fixed the clamped-clamped-free-clamped constraints produced high bending and torsional frequencies in comparison to other boundary conditions.

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