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**ON A-TWO-PARAMETER DYNAMIC BUCKLING OF A VISCOUSLY DAMPED  
BUT CLAMPED COLUMN STRESSED BY A STEP LOAD**

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**Abstract**

In this investigation, we extend our search on the dynamic buckling loads of some elastic structures to that of a clamped column lying on a nonlinear (cubic) elastic foundation but impacted upon axially by a step load. In order to ensure a uniformly valid solution, we employ multi-scaling two-timing regular perturbation procedures in asymptotic expansions of the variables. It is shown that (a) clamped columns buckle at higher buckling loads than columns with simply-supported ends irrespective of whether the columns are loaded statically or dynamically and whether damped or undamped, (b) Specifically, the inequalities satisfied by the static buckling load  $\lambda_s$  and dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  in the clamped case are respectively given as  $1 < \lambda_s < 2.125$  and  $1 < \lambda_D < 2.125$  as against  $0 < \lambda_s < 1$  and  $0 < \lambda_D < 1$  for simply-supported end conditions, (c) At low values of the static buckling load  $\lambda_s$ , there is no appreciable change in the values of the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  but at higher values of  $\lambda_s$ ,  $\lambda_D$  increases sharply with increased static buckling load  $\lambda_s$ . However, the increase seems to decrease with increased damping. We are able to mathematically relate the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  to the static buckling load  $\lambda_s$  and thereby by-passing the labour of repeating the entire process for different imperfection parameters. Thus, given either  $\lambda_D$  or  $\lambda_s$ , we can predict either value without the actual knowledge of the size of the small imperfection parameter.

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

Investigations into the static or dynamic stability (or otherwise) of columns (finite or infinite) are age old problems that have been embarked upon by researchers for some years now. As observed by [1] and [2], buckling of structures is one of the structural instabilities that have been known for centuries ever since the equation to derive the critical buckling of a column was derived by Leonhard Euler [3]. As a result of this, previous studies on the subject matter are indeed enormous and varied, and include investigations by [4]-[7], among others. We must stress that columns, are in themselves, indispensable structural materials and their utility cuts across all cultures in human history.

This investigation is concerned with analytical determination of the dynamic buckling load of a viscously damped but clamped imperfect column that rests on a nonlinear (cubic) elastic foundation, where the column is struck by a step load. The viscous

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damping, though small in magnitude, is not in any way related either physically or mathematically, to an equally small imperfection that is stress-free and twice-differentiable. The formulation therefore contains two small but dimensionally independent parameters upon which asymptotic expansions are initiated using a two-timing multi-scaling perturbation procedure.

The analysis contained here is an extension of a similar study espoused by [8], where, in that study, damping was taken to be related in some way, to the imperfection  $\bar{W}(x)$ , so that once the imperfection was fixed, the damping was equally fixed. However, we note, from physical reasoning, that damping need not in any way, be related to the imperfection in all probabilities. Similar studies were done by [9]-[12], among others. Apart from addressing the phenomenon of viscous damping in a special fashion, this investigation is related, in spirit, to similar studies by [13]-[25].

**2. FORMULATION OF THE PROBLEM**

As in [6], the dimensional differential equation satisfied by the deflection  $W(X, T)$  of a finite viscously damped column lying on a nonlinear (cubic) elastic foundation but struck by a load  $P(T)$  is

$$m_0 W_{,TT} + Q W_{,T} + EI W_{,XXXX} + 2P(T) W_{,XX} + k_1 W - \alpha k_3 W^3 = -2P(T) \frac{d^2 \bar{W}}{dx^2}, T > 0, \tag{2.1a}$$

$$W(X, 0) = W_{,T}(X, 0) = 0, \tag{2.1b}$$

$$W = W_{,X} = 0, \text{ at } X = 0, \pi, \quad T > 0 \tag{2.1c}$$

Here,  $m_0$  is the mass per unit length,  $Q$  is the damping coefficient,  $EI$  is the bending stiffness, where  $E$  and  $I$  are the Young's modulus and the moment of inertia respectively. The nonlinear elastic foundation exerts a force per unit length given by  $k_1 W - \alpha k_3 W^3$  on the column, where  $k_1$  and  $k_3$  are constants such that  $k_1 > 0$ ,  $k_3 > 0$ , and  $\alpha$  is the imperfection-sensitivity parameter which is such that for  $\alpha = 1$ , the nonlinear elastic foundation is said to "softening", whereas for  $\alpha = -1$ , the foundation is said to be "hardening". We have here excluded all nonlinearities of  $W(X, T)$  higher than the cubic and have also excluded all nonlinear derivatives of  $W(X, T)$ .

**3. NON-DIMENSIONALIZATION OF THE GOVERNING EQUATION**

We shall non-dimensionalize the equations (2.1a - c) by using the following non-dimensional quantities

$$x = \left(\frac{k_1}{EI}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} X, \quad w = \left(\frac{k_3}{k_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} W, \quad \lambda f(t) = \frac{P(T)}{2(EIk_1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \quad \epsilon \bar{w} = \left(\frac{k_3}{k_1}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{W}, \quad 2\delta = \frac{Q}{(m_0 k_1)^{\frac{1}{2}}},$$

$$t = \left(\frac{K_1}{m_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} T, \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1, \quad 0 < \delta \ll 1; \quad 0 < \lambda < 2.125;$$

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On introducing these non-dimensional quantities into (2.1a-c) and simplifying, we get

$$w_{,tt} + 2\delta w_{,t} + w_{,xxxx} + 2\lambda f(t)w_{,xx} + w - \alpha w^3 = -2\epsilon\lambda f(t)\frac{d^2\bar{w}}{dx^2}, \quad t > 0,$$

$$0 < x < \pi \tag{3.1a}$$

$$w(x, 0) = w_{,t}(x, 0) = 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi \tag{3.1b}$$

$$w = w_{,x} = 0, \text{ at } x = 0, \pi, \quad t > 0 \tag{3.1c}$$

Here, a subscript following a comma indicates partial differentiation and  $f(t)$  indicates the actual time dependence of the load having its magnitude as  $\lambda$ . In our case,  $f(t)$  is a step load characterized by

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t < 0 \end{cases} \tag{3.2}$$

4. CLASSICAL BUCKLING LOAD,  $\lambda_c$

The classical buckling load  $\lambda_c$  is the load that the associated linear perfect column buckles statically. The equations required are obtained from (3.1a) as

$$w_{,xxxx} + 2\lambda w_{,xx} + w = 0, \quad 0 < x < \pi \tag{4.1a}$$

$$w = w_{,x} = 0, \text{ at } x = 0, \pi. \tag{4.1b}$$

We note that the deflection  $w$  at this stage depends only on  $x$ . To solve (4.1a,b), we let

$$w(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \cos 2nx) U_n \tag{4.2}$$

On substituting (4.2) into (4.1a), multiplying by  $\cos 2mx$  for fixed  $m$  and integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we see that for  $n = m$ , we get

$$(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1)U_m = 0 \tag{4.3}$$

where,  $m$  is a fixed value of  $n$ .

According to [18], the condition for static buckling is

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dw} = 0 \tag{4.4}$$

where,  $w$  is the displacement (or deflection). This gives the classical buckling load  $\lambda_c$  as

$$\lambda_c = \frac{16m^4 + 1}{8m^2} \tag{4.5a}$$

The least value of  $\lambda_c$  is when  $m = 1$  and in this case, we get

$$\lambda_c = \frac{17}{8} = 2.125 \tag{4.5b}$$

In retrospect, a similar column with simply-supported end conditions that satisfy the same equation as (4.1a) but, instead of (4.1b), it would satisfy the conditions

$$w = w_{,xx} = 0, \text{ at } x = 0, \pi \tag{4.5c}$$

has the classical buckling load as  $\lambda_c = 1$  which is different from (4.5a,b). Thus, a clamped column has a higher classical buckling load than the same column with simply – supported end conditions.

5. STATIC BUCKLING LOAD,  $\lambda_S$

This is the load that the column would require to buckle statically. The required differential equation is

$$w_{,xxxx} + 2\lambda w_{,xx} + w - \alpha w^3 = -2\epsilon\lambda \frac{d^2\bar{w}}{dx^2}, \quad 0 < x < \pi \tag{5.1a}$$

$$w = w_{,x} = 0, \text{ at } x = 0, \pi, \tag{5.1b}$$

To determine the displacement (or deflection)  $w(x)$  in (5.1a,b), we set  $f(t) \equiv 1$  and let

$$\bar{w} = \bar{a}_m(1 - \text{Cos}2mx), \quad |\bar{a}_m| \ll 1$$

Next, we let

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} V^{(i)} \epsilon^i; \quad V^{(i)} = V^{(i)}(x) \tag{5.2}$$

By substituting (5.2) into (5.1a) and equating the coefficients of powers of  $\epsilon^i, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , we get

$$O(\epsilon): NV^{(1)} \equiv V_{,xxxx}^{(1)} + 2\lambda V_{,xx}^{(1)} + V^{(1)} = -8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m \text{Cos}2mx \tag{5.3}$$

$$O(\epsilon^2): NV^{(2)} = 0 \tag{5.4}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3): NV^{(3)} = \alpha(V^{(1)})^3 \tag{5.5}$$

etc.

$$V^{(i)}(x) = V_{,x}^{(i)} \text{ at } x = 0, \pi \tag{5.6}$$

We seek for the solutions of (5.3) - (5.6) by letting

$$V^{(i)}(x) = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} V_n^{(i)} \sin^2 nx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \text{Cos}2nx) V_n^{(i)} \tag{5.7}$$

On substituting (5.7) into (5.3), we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [V_n^{(1)}(8n^2\lambda - 16n^4)\text{Cos}2nx + V_n^{(1)}(1 - \text{Cos}2nx)] = -8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m \text{Cos}2mx \tag{5.8}$$

On multiplying (5.8) through by  $\text{Cos}2mx$  and integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we see that for  $n = m$ ,

$$(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1)V_m^{(1)} = 8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m$$

This gives

$$V_m^{(1)} = \frac{8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m}{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1} = B \tag{5.9a}$$

$$\therefore V^{(1)} = V_m^{(1)}(1 - \text{Cos}2mx) \tag{5.9b}$$

On substituting (5.7) into (5.4), we easily get

$$V_m^{(2)} = 0 \tag{5.10}$$

Next, we substitute (5.7) in (5.5) and use (5.9a,b) to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [V_n^{(3)}(8n^2\lambda - 16n^4)\text{Cos}2nx + V_n^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}2nx)] = \alpha(V^{(1)})^3(1 - \text{Cos}2mx)^3 \\ & = \alpha(V^{(1)})^3 \left[ \frac{5}{2} - \frac{15}{4}\text{Cos}2mx + \frac{3}{2}\text{Cos}4mx - \frac{1}{4}\text{Cos}6mx \right] \end{aligned} \tag{5.11}$$

We multiply (5.11) through by  $\text{Cos}2mx$  and integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , to get

$$V_m^{(3)} = \frac{15\alpha B^3}{4(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1)} \tag{5.12}$$

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Next, we multiply (5.11) by  $\text{Cos}4mx$  and integrate from 0 to  $\pi$  to get

$$V_{2m}^{(3)} = \frac{-3B^3\alpha}{2(256m^4 - 16m^2\lambda + 1)} \tag{5.13}$$

Lastly, we multiply (5.11) by  $\text{Cos}6mx$  and integrate from 0 to  $\pi$  and get,

$$V_{3m}^{(3)} = \left( \frac{\alpha B^3}{1296m^4 - 36m^2\lambda + 1} \right) \tag{5.14}$$

Thus, we get

$$V^{(3)} = V_m^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}2mx) + V_{2m}^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}4mx) + V_{3m}^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}6mx) \tag{5.15}$$

So that

$$w(x) = \epsilon V_m^{(1)}(1 - \text{Cos}2mx) + \epsilon^3 \left[ V_m^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}2mx) + V_{2m}^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}4mx) + V_{3m}^{(3)}(1 - \text{Cos}6mx) \right] + \dots \tag{5.16}$$

Before determining the static buckling load, we need to evaluate (5.16) at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2m}$ .

This is informed by the fact that eventually, we shall need to determine the associated dynamic problem at  $x = \frac{\pi}{2m}$  (which also means finding the maximum of (5.16)). Such evaluation yields

$$w = 2\epsilon V_m^{(1)} + 2\epsilon^3 (V_m^{(3)} - V_{3m}^{(3)}) + \dots \tag{5.17}$$

We can write (5.17) as

$$w = C_1\epsilon + C_3\epsilon^3 + \dots \tag{5.18}$$

where,

$$C_1 = 2V_m^{(1)}, \quad C_3 = 2(V_m^{(3)} - V_{3m}^{(3)}) \tag{5.19}$$

As in [18], the static buckling load is obtained by first reversing the series (5.18) in the form,

$$\epsilon = d_1w + d_3w^3 + \dots \tag{5.20}$$

On substituting for  $w$  from (5.18) in (5.20) and equating the coefficients of powers of  $\epsilon$ , we get

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{C_1}, \quad d_3 = \frac{-C_3}{C_1^4} \tag{5.21}$$

The maximization (4.4) is now easily executed from (5.20) to yield

$$d_1 + 3d_3w_a^2 = 0 \tag{5.22}$$

where,  $w_a$  is the value of  $w$  evaluated at static buckling. From (5.18), we get

$$w_a = \sqrt{\frac{-d_1}{3d_3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left( \frac{C_1^3}{C_3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{5.23}$$

Next, we determine (5.20) at static buckling and get

$$\epsilon = d_1w + d_3w^3 + \dots = w_a(d_1 + d_3w_a^2) = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \left( \frac{C_1}{C_3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{5.24}$$

On substituting in (5.24) for  $C_1$  and  $C_3$ , we get

$$(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_S + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{5}m^2\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}\bar{a}_m\epsilon\lambda_S \left[ 1 + \frac{4}{15} \left( \frac{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_S + 1}{1296m^4 - 36m^2\lambda_S + 1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \tag{5.25}$$

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where  $\lambda_S$  is the static buckling load. The least value of  $\lambda_S$  is obtained when  $m = 1$ , and for this, we get

$$(17 - 8\lambda_S)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{5}\lambda_S\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}\bar{a}_1\epsilon \left[ 1 + \frac{4}{15} \left( \frac{17-8\lambda_S}{1297-3\lambda_S} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.26)$$

If it is required that the buckling mode be strictly in the shape of imperfection, then the results corresponding to (5.25) and (5.26) respectively become

$$(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_S + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{5}m^2\lambda_S\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}\bar{a}_m\epsilon \quad (5.27)$$

and

$$(17 - 8\lambda_S)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{5}\lambda_S\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}\bar{a}_1\epsilon \quad (5.28)$$

By way of comparison, we can perform a similar analysis on the same column but with simply-supported end conditions and the results corresponding to those of (5.25), (5.26), (5.27) and (5.28) are respectively given by

$$(m^4 - 2m^2\lambda_S + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{9}{2}m^2\lambda_S\bar{a}_m\epsilon\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{m^4 - 2m^2\lambda_S + 1}{81m^4 - 18m^2\lambda_S + 1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.29)$$

$$(1 - \lambda_S)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{9}{4\sqrt{2}}\lambda_S\epsilon\bar{a}_1\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{1-\lambda_S}{41-9\lambda_S} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.30)$$

$$(m^4 - 2m^2\lambda_S + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{9}{2}m^2\lambda_S\bar{a}_m\epsilon\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.31)$$

and

$$(1 - \lambda_S)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{9}{4\sqrt{2}}\lambda_S\epsilon\bar{a}_1\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.32)$$

The result (5.32) was first obtained by [6]. So far, we conclude that the static buckling load of structures largely depends, among other things, on the type of end constraints of the structures.

6. THE DYNAMIC PROBLEM

The associated dynamic problem follows from (3.1a) which we now recast as

$$w_{,tt} + 2\delta w_{,t} + w_{,xxxx} + 2\lambda f(t)w_{,xx} + w - \alpha w^3 = -2\epsilon\lambda f(t) \frac{d^2\bar{w}}{dx^2}, t > 0, 0 < x < \pi \quad (6.1a)$$

$$w(x, 0) = w_{,t}(x, 0) = 0, 0 < x < \pi \quad (6.1b)$$

$$w = w_{,x} = 0, at x = 0, \pi, t > 0 \quad (6.1c)$$

Henceforth, we shall substitute for the step load  $f(t)$  as in (3.2).

We let

$$\tau = \delta t, \quad (6.2a)$$

$$\hat{t} = t + \left( \frac{\mu_2(\tau)\epsilon^2 + \mu_3(\tau)\epsilon^3 + \dots}{\delta} \right) \quad (6.2b)$$

where,  $\mu_i(0) = 0, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \mu_i = \mu_i(\tau)$

We stress that  $\epsilon$  and  $\delta$  are small and unrelated parameters. Thus, from (6.2a,b), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial \hat{t}} \frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial \hat{t}} \frac{\partial \hat{t}}{\partial \tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial \tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} \\ &= (1 + \mu'_2\epsilon^2 + \mu'_3\epsilon^3 + \dots)w_{,\hat{t}} + \delta w_{,\tau} \end{aligned} \quad (6.3a)$$

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where,  $(...)' = \frac{d(...)}{d\tau}$  and a subscript after a comma indicates partial differentiation.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} &= (1 + \mu'_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu'_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots)^2 w_{,\hat{t}\hat{t}} + \delta^2 w_{,\tau\tau} + 2\delta(1 + \mu'_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu'_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots) w_{,\hat{t}\tau} \\ &+ \delta(\mu''_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu''_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots) w_{,\hat{t}} \end{aligned} \quad (6.3b)$$

On substituting (6.3a,b) into (6.1a) for  $f(t) = 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} &[(1 + \mu'_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu'_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots)^2 w_{,\hat{t}\hat{t}} + \delta^2 w_{,\tau\tau} + 2\delta(1 + \mu'_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu'_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots) w_{,\hat{t}\tau} \\ &+ \delta(\mu''_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu''_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots) w_{,\hat{t}}] + 2\delta[(1 + \mu'_2 \epsilon^2 + \mu'_3 \epsilon^3 + \dots) w_{,\hat{t}} + \delta w_{,\tau}] \\ &+ w_{,xxxx} + 2\lambda f(t) w_{,xx} + w - \alpha w^3 = -2\epsilon \lambda f(t) \frac{d^2 \bar{w}}{dx^2} \end{aligned} \quad (6.4)$$

Next, we adopt the asymptotic series

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} U^{(ij)}(x, \hat{t}, \tau) \epsilon^i \delta^j \quad (6.5)$$

and substitute same into (6.4), and afterwards, equate powers of  $\epsilon^i \delta^j$  to get

$$O(\epsilon): LU^{(10)} = U_{,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + U_{,xxxx}^{(10)} + 2\lambda U_{,xx}^{(10)} + U^{(10)} = -2\lambda f(t) \frac{d^2 \bar{w}}{dx^2} \quad (6.6)$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta): LU^{(11)} = -2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)}) \quad (6.7)$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta^2): LU^{(12)} = -2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)}) - U_{,\tau\tau}^{(10)} \quad (6.8)$$

$$O(\epsilon^2): LU^{(20)} = 0 \quad (6.9)$$

$$O(\epsilon^2\delta): LU^{(21)} = -2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(20)} + U_{,\hat{t}}^{(20)}) \quad (6.10)$$

$$O(\epsilon^2\delta^2): LU^{(22)} = -2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(21)} + U_{,\hat{t}}^{(21)}) - U_{,\tau\tau}^{(20)} \quad (6.11)$$

$$O(\epsilon^3): LU^{(30)} = \alpha(U^{(10)})^3 - 2\mu'_2 U_{,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} \quad (6.12)$$

$$O(\epsilon^3\delta): LU^{(31)} = 3\alpha(U^{(10)})^2 U^{(11)} - 2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{30} + U_{,\hat{t}}^{(30)}) - \mu''_2 U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)} - 2\mu'_2 U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)} \quad (6.13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} O(\epsilon^3\delta^2): LU^{(32)} &= 3\alpha[U^{(10)}(U^{(11)})^2 + (U^{(10)})^2 U^{(12)}] - U_{,\tau\tau}^{(30)} \\ &- 2(U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} + \mu'_2 U_{,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)}) - \mu''_2 U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)} - 2(U_{,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \mu'_2 U_{,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + U_{,\tau}^{(30)}) \end{aligned} \quad (6.14)$$

The initial conditions, which are evaluated at  $\hat{t} = 0 = \tau$  are

$$U^{(ij)}(x, 0, 0) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots; \quad j = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (6.15)$$

$$O(\epsilon): U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)}(x, 0, 0) = 0 \quad (6.16)$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta): U_{,\hat{t}}^{(11)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{(10)}(x, 0, 0) = 0 \quad (6.17)$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta^2): U_{,\hat{t}}^{(12)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{(11)}(x, 0, 0) = 0 \quad (6.18)$$

In general, we have

$$U_{,\hat{t}}^{(1k)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{1(k-1)}(x, 0, 0) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (6.19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} O(\epsilon^2): U_{,\hat{t}}^{(20)}(x, 0, 0) &= 0 \\ (6.20) \end{aligned}$$

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In general, we have

$$U_{,\hat{t}}^{(2k)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{2(k-1)}(x, 0, 0) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \tag{6.21}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3): \quad U_{,\hat{t}}^{(30)}(x, 0, 0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{,\hat{t}}^{(10)}(x, 0, 0) = 0 \tag{6.22}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3 \delta): \quad U_{,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(x, 0, 0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{,\hat{t}}^{(11)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{(30)}(x, 0, 0) = 0 \tag{6.23}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3 \delta^2): \quad U_{,\hat{t}}^{32}(x, 0, 0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{,\hat{t}}^{(12)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{(31)}(0, 0) = 0 \tag{6.24}$$

Generally, we have

$$U_{,\hat{t}}^{(3k)}(x, 0, 0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{,\hat{t}}^{(1k)}(x, 0, 0) + U_{,\tau}^{(3(k-1))}(x, 0, 0) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots \tag{6.25}$$

The boundary conditions are

$$U^{(ij)} = U_{,x}^{(ij)} = 0 \text{ at } x = 0, \pi.$$

For solution to all the systems of equation involved here, we set

$$U^{(ij)}(x, \hat{t}, \tau) = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n^{(ij)}(\hat{t}, \tau) \sin^2 nx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n^{(ij)}(\hat{t}, \tau) (1 - \cos 2nx) \tag{6.26a}$$

We shall assume

$$\bar{w}(x) = \bar{a}_m (1 - \cos 2mx) \tag{6.26b}$$

for  $m$ , fixed.

On substituting (6.26a,b) into (6.6) and simplifying, we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (U_{n,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + U_n^{(10)}) (1 - \cos 2mx) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (8\lambda n^2 - 16n^4) U_n^{(10)} \cos 2nx = -8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m \cos 2mx \tag{6.27a}$$

Next, we multiply (6.27a) by  $\cos 2mx$  and integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , and note that for  $n = m$ , we get

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(10)} = 8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m \tag{6.27b}$$

$$U_m^{(10)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.27c} \text{ where,}$$

$$\varphi^2 = (16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1) > 0, \quad \forall m \tag{6.27d}$$

The solution of (6.27b-d) is

$$U_m^{(10)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_1(\tau) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_1(\tau) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B \tag{6.28a}$$

$$B = \frac{8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m}{\varphi^2} = \frac{8\lambda m^2 \bar{a}_m}{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda + 1} \tag{6.28b}$$

where,

$$\beta_1(0) = -B, \quad \theta_1(0) = 0 \tag{6.28c}$$

This means that

$$U^{(10)} = U_m^{(10)} (1 - \cos 2mx) \tag{6.28d}$$

We next substitute (6.28d) into (6.7), using (6.25), and thereafter, multiply by  $\cos 2mx$  and note that for  $n = 2m$ , we get

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(11)} = -2 (U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)}) \tag{6.29a}$$

$$U_m^{(11)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(10)}(0,0) \tag{6.29b}$$



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On substituting for  $U_m^{(10)}$  in (6.29) from (6.28a), we ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$  by equating to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi \hat{t}$  and getting

$$\theta_1' + \theta_1 = 0, \quad \beta_1' + \beta_1 = 0 \tag{6.30a}$$

The solution of (6.30a) using (6.28c) yields

$$\theta_1(\tau) = 0, \quad \beta_1(\tau) = -Be^{-\tau} \tag{6.30b}$$

The remaining equation in (6.29a,b) is solved to get

$$U_m^{(11)} = \beta_2(\tau) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_2(\tau) \sin \varphi \hat{t} \tag{6.31a}$$

$$\beta_2(0) = 0, \quad \theta_2(0) = \frac{B}{\varphi} \tag{6.31b}$$

We however note that

$$\beta_1'(0) = B, \quad \beta_1''(0) = -B \tag{6.31c}$$

We equally note at this stage that

$$U^{(11)} = U_m^{(11)}(1 - \cos 2mx) \tag{6.32}$$

On substituting from (6.32) and (6.28d) in (6.8), multiplying thereafter by  $\cos 2mx$  and integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we get, (for  $n = m$ )

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(12)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(12)} = -2 \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} \right) - U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)} \tag{6.33a}$$

$$U_m^{(12)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(11)}(0,0) \tag{6.33b}$$

Next, we substitute in (6.33a) for  $U_m^{(11)}$  and  $U_m^{(10)}$  from (6.31a) and (6.28a) and ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$  by equating to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi \hat{t}$  and so, get, respectively

$$\theta_2' + \theta_2 = \frac{-\beta_1''}{2\varphi} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_2' + \beta_2 = 0 \tag{6.33c}$$

On solving (6.33c), we get

$$\theta_2(\tau) = e^{-\tau} \left[ \int_0^\tau \frac{-\beta_1''(s)}{2\varphi} ds + \theta_2(0) \right], \quad \beta_2(\tau) = 0 \tag{6.33d}$$

The remaining equation in the substitution into (6.33a) is solved to yield

$$U_m^{(12)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_3(\tau) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_3(\tau) \sin \varphi \hat{t} \tag{6.34a}$$

where,

$$\beta_3(0) = 0, \quad \theta_3(0) = 0 \tag{6.34b}$$

In passing, we note from (6.33c) that

$$\theta_2'(0) = -\theta_2(0) \frac{-\beta_1''(\tau)}{2\varphi} = \frac{-3B}{2\varphi}, \quad \theta_2''(0) = \frac{B}{\varphi} \tag{6.34c}$$

We conclude that

$$U^{(12)} = U_m^{(12)}(1 - \cos 2mx) \tag{6.35}$$

On solving equations (6.9) to (6.11), using the appropriate initial and boundary conditions, we get

$$U^{(20)}(x, \hat{t}, \tau) = U^{(21)}(x, \hat{t}, \tau) = U^{(22)}(x, \hat{t}, \tau) = 0 \tag{6.36}$$

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We next substitute on the right hand side of (6.12), using (6.25) and simplify to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 LU^{(30)} = & \alpha \left[ \left( B^3 + \frac{3\beta_1^2 B}{2} \right) + 3 \left( B^2 \beta_1 + \frac{\beta_1^3}{4} \right) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4} \right] \left( \frac{5}{2} - \frac{15 \cos 2mx}{4} + \frac{3}{2} \cos 4mx - \frac{1}{4} \cos 6mx \right) \\
 -2\mu_2' U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} (1 - \cos 2mx) & \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.37)
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we assume

$$U^{(30)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2nx) \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.38)$$

On substituting (6.38) into (6.37) and first multiplying through by  $\cos 2mx$ , and thereafter integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we see that, for  $n = m$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(30)} = & \frac{15\alpha}{4} \left[ \left( B^3 + \frac{3\beta_1^2 B}{2} \right) + 3 \left( B^2 \beta_1 + \frac{\beta_1^3}{4} \right) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4} \right] - 2\mu_2' U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.39a)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_m^{(30)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(30)}(0,0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)}(0,0) = 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.39b)$$

Next, if in the substitution in (6.12), we multiply through by  $\cos 4mx$  and thereafter integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , we get (for  $n = 2m$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{2m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + \varphi_{2m}^2 U_{2m}^{(30)} = & \frac{-3\alpha}{2} \left[ \left( B^3 + \frac{3\beta_1^2 B}{2} \right) + 3 \left( B^2 \beta_1 + \frac{\beta_1^3}{4} \right) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4} \right] \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.40a)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_{2m}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.40b)$$

where,

$$\varphi_{2m}^2 = (256m^4 - 32m^2\lambda + 1) > 0, \quad \forall m \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.40c)$$

Lastly, if in the substitution into (6.12), we multiply through by  $\cos 6mx$ , and integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , we see that, for  $n = 3m$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + \varphi_{3m}^2 U_{3m}^{(30)} = & \frac{\alpha}{4} \left[ \left( B^3 + \frac{3\beta_1^2 B}{2} \right) + 3 \left( B^2 \beta_1 + \frac{\beta_1^3}{4} \right) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2} \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4} \right] \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.41a)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_{3m}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.41b)$$

where,

$$\varphi_{3m}^2 = (1296m^4 - 72m^2\lambda + 1) > 0, \quad \forall m \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.41c)$$

To solve (6.39a,b), we substitute for  $U_m^{(10)}$  from (6.28a), (noting (6.28c)), and ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$  by equating to zero, the coefficient of  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$  and get

$$\mu_2'(\tau) = \frac{-45\alpha}{8\varphi} \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right), \quad \mu_2'(0) = \frac{-225\alpha B^2}{32\varphi^2} \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.42a)$$

$$\mu_2''(0) = \frac{45\alpha B^2}{16\varphi^2} \qquad \qquad \qquad (6.42b)$$

The remaining equation in (6.39a) is now solved to get

$$U_m^{(30)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_4 \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_4 \sin \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{15\alpha}{4} \left[ \frac{r_0}{\varphi^2} - \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2\varphi^2} - \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{32\varphi^2} \right] \quad (6.43a)$$

where

$$r_0(\tau) = \left( B^3 + \frac{3\beta_1^2 B}{2} \right) \quad (6.43b)$$

$$\beta_4(0) = \frac{5\alpha B^3}{128\varphi^2}, \quad \theta_4(0) = 0 \quad (6.43c)$$

$$r_0(0) = \frac{5B^3}{2}, \quad r_0'(0) = -3B^3, \quad r_0''(0) = 6B^3 \quad (6.43d)$$

Turning to (6.40a,b), we solve to get

$$U_{2m}^{(30)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_5 \cos \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} + \theta_5 \sin \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} - \frac{3\alpha}{2} \left[ \frac{r_0}{\varphi_{2m}^2} + \frac{r_1 \cos \varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right] \quad (6.44a)$$

where,

$$r_1(\tau) = 3 \left( B^2 \beta_1 + \frac{\beta_1^3}{4} \right), \quad r_1(0) = \frac{-15B^3}{4}, \quad r_1'(0) = \frac{21B^3}{4}, \quad r_1''(0) = \frac{-39B^3}{4} \quad (6.44b)$$

$$\beta_5(0) = \frac{3\alpha F_3 B^3}{4}, \quad \theta_5(0) = 0 \quad (6.44c)$$

$$F_3 = \frac{1}{2\varphi_{2m}^2} + \frac{15}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{3}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{1}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \quad (6.44d)$$

We next solve (6.41a) and get

$$U_{3m}^{(30)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_6 \cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \theta_6 \sin \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \frac{\alpha}{4} \left[ \frac{r_0}{\varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{r_1 \cos \varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{3B\beta_1^2 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{\beta_1^3 \cos 3\varphi \hat{t}}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right] \quad (6.45a)$$

where,

$$\beta_6(0) = \frac{\alpha B^3 F_4}{4}, \quad F_4 = \left[ \frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{15}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} - \frac{3}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{1}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right], \quad \theta_6(0) = 0 \quad (6.45b)$$

Thus, we have

$$U^{(30)} = U_m^{(30)}(1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m}^{(30)}(1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m}^{(30)}(1 - \cos 6mx) \quad (6.45c)$$

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We next substitute on the right hand side of (6.13) and get

$$\begin{aligned}
 LU^{(31)} = & \frac{3\alpha}{4} \left[ \theta_2 \left\{ \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B\beta_1 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \right\} \left\{ \frac{5}{2} - \frac{15 \cos 2mx}{4} \right. \right. \\
 & + \left. \left. \frac{3 \cos 4mx}{2} - \frac{\cos 6mx}{4} \right\} \right] - 2 \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 4mx) \right. \\
 & + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 6mx) + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 4mx) \\
 & \left. + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right] - \mu_2'' U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} (1 - \cos 2mx) \\
 & - 2\mu_2' U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} (1 - \cos 2mx) \tag{6.46}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$U^{(31)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n^{(31)} (1 - \cos 2nx) \tag{6.47}$$

On substituting (6.47) into (6.46), first multiplying through by  $\cos 2mx$  and integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we get, for  $n = m$

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(31)} = & \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left[ \theta_2 \left\{ \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B\beta_1 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \right\} \right] \\
 - \mu_2'' U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} - 2\mu_2' U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} - 2 \left( U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) & \tag{6.48a}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_m^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + \mu_2'(0) U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.48b}$$

Next, we multiply (6.46) by  $\cos 4mx$ , integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , we get, for  $n = 2m$

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{2m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi^2 U_{2m}^{(31)} = & \frac{-9\alpha\theta_2}{8} \left[ \left\{ \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B\beta_1 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \right\} \right] \\
 - 2 \left( U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) & \tag{6.49a}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_{2m}^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + U_{2m,\tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.49b}$$

Similarly, we multiply (6.46) by  $\cos 6mx$ , integrate from 0 to  $\pi$ , we get, for  $n = 3m$

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi^2 U_{3m}^{(31)} = & \frac{3\alpha\theta_2}{16} \left[ \left\{ \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B\beta_1 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \right\} \right] \\
 - 2 \left( U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) & \tag{6.50a}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$U_{3m}^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.50b}$$

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To solve (6.48a), we substitute for terms there and after, ensure a uniformly valid solution by equating to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi \hat{t}$ . This gives, for  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$

$$\theta_4' + \theta_4 = 0 \tag{6.51a}$$

For  $\sin \varphi \hat{t}$ :

$$\beta_4' + \beta_4 = \frac{\beta_1}{2}(\mu_2'' + 2\mu_2') - \frac{45\alpha}{32\varphi}(B^2 + \beta_1^2)\theta_2 \tag{6.51b}$$

On solving (6.51a,b), we get

$$\theta_4 = 0; \quad \beta_4 = e^{-\tau} \left[ \beta_4(0) - \int_0^\tau e^s \left\{ \frac{\beta_1}{2}(\mu_2'' + 2\mu_2') + \frac{45\alpha}{32\varphi}(B^2 + \beta_1^2)\theta_2 \right\} ds \right] \tag{6.51c}$$

$$\beta_4'(0) = \frac{-1545\alpha B^3}{128\varphi^2} \tag{6.52d}$$

The remaining equations, having ensured a uniformly valid solution in (6.48a) are

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(31)} = r_3 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} + r_4 \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \tag{6.52a}$$

$$U_m^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + \mu_2'(0)U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.52b}$$

where,

$$r_3 = \frac{45\alpha\theta_2 B \beta_1}{16} - \frac{15\alpha B}{2\varphi} \{(\beta_1^2)'+ (\beta_1^2)\} \tag{6.52c}$$

$$r_4 = \frac{-45\alpha\theta_2 B \beta_1^2}{64} - \frac{15\alpha}{32\varphi} \{(\beta_1^3)'+ (\beta_1^3)\} \tag{6.52d}$$

$$(0) = \frac{75\alpha B^3}{16\varphi}, \quad r_4(0) = \frac{-225\alpha B^3}{64\varphi} \tag{6.52e}$$

We note the following

$$r_2'(0) = \frac{-345\alpha B^3}{128\varphi}, \quad r_3'(0) = \frac{465\alpha B^3}{32\varphi}, \quad r_4'(0) = \frac{-45\alpha B^3}{128\varphi} \tag{6.52f}$$

On solving (6.52a,b), we get

$$U_m^{(31)} = \beta_7 \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_7 \sin \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{r_3 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t}}{3\varphi^2} - \frac{r_4 \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t}}{8\varphi^2} \tag{6.53a}$$

where,

$$\beta_7(0) = 0 \tag{6.53b}$$

$$\varphi\theta_7(0) - \frac{2r_3(0)}{3\varphi} - \frac{3r_4(0)}{8\varphi} + \mu_2(0)\varphi\theta_2(0) + \frac{15\alpha}{4} \left[ \frac{r_0'}{\varphi^2} - \frac{B\beta_1'\beta_1}{\varphi^2} - \frac{3\beta_1^2\beta_1'}{\varphi^2} \right] \Big|_{\tau=0} = 0$$

This yields

$$\theta_7(0) = \frac{-5695B^3}{512\varphi^3} \tag{6.53c}$$

To ensure a uniformly valid solution in terms of  $\hat{t}$  in (6.49a), we equate to zero the coefficients of  $\cos 2 \varphi_{2m} \hat{t}$  and  $\sin 2 \varphi_{2m} \hat{t}$  and respectively get

$$\theta'_5 + \theta_5 = 0 \tag{6.53d}$$

and

$$\beta'_5 + \beta_5 = \frac{\alpha}{2\varphi_{2m}} \left[ \frac{9\theta_2}{8} \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) + \frac{3\varphi(r'_1 + r_1)}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right] \tag{6.53e}$$

On solving (6.53d, e), we get

$$\theta_5 = 0, \quad \beta_5 = e^{-\tau} [\beta_5(0) + \int_0^\tau e^s F_6 ds] \tag{6.53f}$$

where,

$$F_6 = \frac{\alpha}{2\varphi_{2m}} \left[ \frac{9\theta_2}{8} \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) + \frac{3\varphi(r'_1 + r_1)}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right] \tag{6.53g}$$

From (6.53e), we get

$$\beta'_5(0) = \alpha B^3 F_0, \quad F_0 = \frac{1}{2\varphi_{2m}} \left\{ \frac{45}{32\varphi} + \frac{9\varphi}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \right\} - \frac{3F_3}{4} \tag{6.53h}$$

The remaining equation in (6.49a) is now written as

$$U_{2m, \hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi_{2m}^2 U_{2m}^{(31)} = r_5 \sin \varphi \hat{t} + r_6 \sin 2 \varphi \hat{t} + r_7 \sin 3 \varphi \hat{t} \tag{6.54a}$$

$$U_{2m}^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{2m, \hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + U_{2m, \tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \tag{6.54b}$$

where,

$$r_5 = \frac{-9\alpha\theta_2}{8} \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) + \frac{3\alpha\varphi(r'_1 + r_1)}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} \tag{6.54c}$$

$$r_6 = \frac{-9\alpha\theta_2 B \beta_1}{8} - \frac{9\alpha\varphi B \left( (\beta_1^2)' + (\beta_1^2) \right)}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \tag{6.54d}$$

$$r_7 = \frac{9\alpha\beta_1^2\theta_2}{32} - \frac{9\alpha\varphi \left( (\beta_1^3)' + (\beta_1^3) \right)}{4(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} \tag{6.54e}$$

where,

$$r_5(0) = \alpha B^3 F_8, \quad F_8 = \frac{-45}{32\varphi} + \frac{9\varphi}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \tag{6.54f}$$

$$r_6(0) = \alpha B^3 F_9, \quad F_9 = 9 \left( \frac{1}{8\varphi} + \frac{\varphi}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \right) \tag{6.54g}$$

$$r_7(0) = \alpha B^3 F_{10}, \quad F_{10} = \frac{9}{32\varphi} - \frac{9\varphi}{2(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \tag{6.54h}$$

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On solving (6.54a,b), we get

$$U_{2m}^{(31)} = \beta_8 \cos \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} + \theta_8 \sin \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} + \frac{r_5 \sin \varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{r_6 \sin 2\varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{r_7 \sin 3\varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \quad (6.55a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_8(0) = 0, \quad \theta_8(0) &= -\frac{1}{2\varphi_{2m}} \left[ \frac{\varphi r_5}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{2\varphi r_6}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{3\varphi r_7}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} + \beta_5'(0) \right] \\ &= -\frac{3\alpha}{2} \left\{ \frac{r_0'}{\varphi_{2m}^2} + \frac{r_1'}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{3B\beta_1'\beta_1}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{3\beta_1^2\beta_1}{4(\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} \Bigg|_{\tau=0} \quad (6.55b) \end{aligned}$$

That is

$$\theta_8(0) = \alpha B^3 F_{11}, \quad (6.55c)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{11} &= -\frac{1}{2\varphi_{2m}} \left[ \varphi \left\{ \frac{F_8}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{2F_9}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{3F_{10}}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right\} \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{3}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\varphi_{2m}^2} - \frac{21}{4(\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{3}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} - \frac{3}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right\} \right] \quad (6.55d) \end{aligned}$$

Next we ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$  in (6.50a) by first substituting for the relevant terms there, and equating to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}$  to get

$$\theta_6' + \theta_6 = 0, \quad \beta_6' + \beta_6 = 0 \quad (6.56a)$$

On solving (6.56a), we get

$$\theta_6(\tau) = 0, \quad \beta_6(\tau) = \beta_6(0)e^{-\tau} \quad (6.56b)$$

where,

$$\beta_6'(0) = -\beta_6(0), \quad \beta_6''(0) = \beta_6(0) \quad (6.56c)$$

The remaining equation in (6.50a) is now written as

$$U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \varphi_{2m}^2 U_{3m}^{(31)} = r_8 \sin \varphi \hat{t} + r_9 \sin 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{10} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t} \quad (6.57a)$$

$$U_{3m}^{(31)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(0,0) + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}(0,0) = 0 \quad (6.57b)$$

where,

$$r_8 = \frac{3\alpha\theta_2}{16} \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) + \frac{3\alpha\varphi \left( B^2\beta_1' + \frac{3\beta_1^2\beta_1'}{4} \right)}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \quad (6.57c)$$

$$r_9 = \frac{3\alpha\theta_2 B\beta_1}{16} + \frac{3B\alpha\varphi(\beta_1'\beta_1 + \beta_1^2)}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} \quad (6.57d)$$

$$r_{10} = \frac{-3\alpha\beta_1^2\theta_2}{56} + \frac{3\alpha\varphi}{8} (\beta_1^2\beta_1' + \beta_1^3) \quad (6.57e)$$

$$r_8(0) = \alpha B^3 F_7, \quad F_7 = \frac{15}{64\varphi} + \frac{3\varphi}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \quad (6.57f)$$

$$r_9(0) = \frac{-3\alpha B^3}{16\varphi}, \quad r_{10}(0) = \frac{-3\alpha B^3}{56} \quad (6.57g)$$

$$r_8'(0) = \frac{-57\alpha B^3}{128\varphi} - \frac{9\varphi\alpha B^3}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \quad (6.57h)$$

$$r_9'(0) = \alpha B^3 \left( \frac{15}{32\varphi} - \frac{3\varphi}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right) \quad (6.57i)$$

$$r_{10}'(0) = \frac{3\alpha B^3}{16\varphi} \quad (6.57j)$$

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On solving (6.57a,b), we get

$$U_{3m}^{(31)} = \beta_9 \cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \theta_9 \sin \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \frac{r_8 \sin \varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{r_9 \sin 2\varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{r_{10} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \quad (6.58a)$$

with

$$\beta_9(0) = 0, \quad (6.58b)$$

$$\theta_9(0) = -\frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}} \left[ \varphi \left\{ \frac{r_8}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{2r_9}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{3r_{10}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right\} + \beta'_6 \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha}{4} \left\{ \frac{r'_0}{\varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{r'_1}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{3B(\beta_1^2)'\beta_1}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{3\beta_1^2\beta'_1}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} \Big|_{\tau=0} \quad (6.58c)$$

We note from (6.56a) that

$$\beta'_6(0) = -\beta_6(0) = \frac{-\alpha B^3 F_4}{8} \quad (6.58d)$$

On simplifying (6.58c), we get

$$\theta_9(0) = \alpha B^3 S_1, \quad (6.58e)$$

$$S_1 = -\frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}} \left[ \varphi \left\{ \frac{F_7}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} - \frac{3}{8(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{9}{56(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} - \frac{F_4}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \frac{3}{2\varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{21}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} - \frac{3}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{3}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} \right] \quad (6.58f)$$

We next substitute on the right hand side of (6.14) and get

$$\begin{aligned} LU^{(32)} = & 3\alpha \left[ U_m^{(10)} \left( U_m^{(11)} \right)^2 + \left( U_m^{(10)} \right)^2 U_m^{(12)} \right] (1 - \cos 2mx) \\ & - \left[ U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right] \\ & - 2 \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right] \\ & + \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right] \\ & + \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} (1 - \cos 2mx) - \mu''_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} (1 - \cos 2mx) \\ & - 2 \left[ \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m,\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 4mx) \right. \\ & \left. + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right] \quad (6.59a) \end{aligned}$$

By letting

$$U^{(32)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n^{(32)} (1 - \cos 2nx) \quad (6.59b)$$

and substituting same into (6.59a), multiplying the resultant equation by  $\cos 2mx$  and integrating from 0 to  $\pi$ , we see that, for  $n = m$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(32)} = & \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left[ U_m^{(10)} \left( U_m^{(11)} \right)^2 + \left( U_m^{(10)} \right)^2 U_m^{(12)} \right] - U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} \\ & - 2 \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} \right] - \mu''_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} - 2\mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} - 2U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} \quad (6.60a) \\ U_m^{(32)}(0,0) = & 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) + \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} = 0 \quad (6.60b) \end{aligned}$$



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For  $n = 2m$  in the substitution into (6.59a), we get

$$U_{2m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi_{2m}^2 U_{2m}^{(32)} = \frac{-9\alpha}{4} \left[ U_m^{(10)} (U_m^{(11)})^2 + (U_m^{(10)})^2 U_m^{(12)} \right] - U_{2m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} - 2 \left[ U_{2m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} + U_{2m,\tau\hat{t}}^{(31)} \right] - 2U_{2m,\tau}^{(30)} \tag{6.61a}$$

$$U_{2m}^{(32)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{2m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) \tag{6.61b}$$

For  $n = 3m$  in the substitution into (6.59a), we get

$$U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi_{3m}^2 U_{3m}^{(32)} = \frac{3\alpha}{4} \left[ U_m^{(10)} (U_m^{(11)})^2 + (U_m^{(10)})^2 U_m^{(12)} \right] - U_{3m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} - 2 \left[ U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\tau\hat{t}}^{(31)} \right] - 2U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)} \tag{6.62a}$$

$$U_{3m}^{(32)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) \tag{6.62b}$$

If we substitute for terms on the right hand side of (6.60a), we get

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(32)} = \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left[ \theta_2^2 \left\{ \frac{\beta_1 \cos \varphi \hat{t}}{4} + \frac{B}{2} (1 - \cos 2\varphi \hat{t}) - \frac{\beta_1}{4} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} \right\} + \left\{ B\beta_1\beta_3 + \beta_3 \left( B^2 + \frac{3\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \theta_3 \left( B^2 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \sin \varphi \hat{t} + B\beta_1\beta_3 \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} + B\theta_3\beta_1 \sin 2\varphi \hat{t} + \frac{\beta_3\beta_1^2}{4} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} + \frac{\theta_3\beta_1^2}{4} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t} \right\} - \left[ \beta_4'' \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{15\alpha}{4} \left\{ \frac{r_0''}{\varphi^2} - \frac{B(\beta_1^2)''}{2\varphi^2} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} - \frac{(\beta_1^3)''}{32\varphi^2} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} \right\} - 2 \left[ \left\{ \varphi\theta_7' \cos \varphi \hat{t} - \varphi\beta_7' \sin \varphi \hat{t} - \frac{2r_3'}{3\varphi} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} - \frac{3r_4'}{8\varphi} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} \right\} - \mu_2' \theta_2' \varphi \cos \varphi \hat{t} \right] - \mu_2'' \varphi \theta_2 \cos \varphi \hat{t} - 2\mu_2' \varphi \theta_2 \cos \varphi \hat{t} - 2 \left[ \beta_4' \cos \varphi \hat{t} + \frac{15\alpha}{4} \left\{ \frac{r_0'}{\varphi^2} - \frac{B(\beta_1^2)'}{2\varphi^2} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} - \frac{(\beta_1^3)'}{32\varphi^2} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} \right\} \right] \right] \tag{6.63a}$$

To ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$  as far as (6.63a) is concerned, we equate to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi \hat{t}$  and respectively get

$$\beta_7' + \beta_7 = -h_1(\tau) = -\frac{1}{2\varphi} \theta_3 \left( B^3 + \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \tag{6.63b}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_7' + \theta_7 &= h_2(\tau) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\varphi} \left[ \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left\{ \frac{\beta_1\theta_2^2}{4} + \beta_3 \left( B^2 + \frac{3\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \right\} - 2\beta_4' - \beta_4'' - \mu_2'' \varphi \theta_2 - \mu_2' \varphi (2\theta_2 + \theta_2') \right] \end{aligned} \tag{6.63c}$$

On solving (6.63b,c), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_7 &= e^{-\tau} \left[ \beta_7(0) - \int_0^\tau h_1(s) e^s ds \right] \\ \theta_7 &= e^{-\tau} \left[ \theta_7(0) + \int_0^\tau h_2(s) e^s ds \right] \end{aligned}$$

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The remaining equation in (6.60a) is

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi^2 U_m^{(32)} = r_{11} + r_{14} \cos 2\varphi\hat{t} + r_{15} \sin 2\varphi\hat{t} + r_{16} \cos 3\varphi\hat{t} + r_{17} \sin 3\varphi\hat{t} \quad (6.64a)$$

$$U_m^{(32)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) + \mu_2' U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} = 0 \quad (6.64b)$$

where,

$$r_{11} = \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left( B\beta_1\beta_3 - \frac{B\theta_2^2}{2} \right) - \frac{15r_0'\alpha}{2\varphi^2} - \frac{15r_0''\alpha}{4\varphi^2} \quad (6.64c)$$

$$r_{14} = \frac{45\alpha}{4} \left( B\beta_1\beta_3 - \frac{B\theta_2^2}{2} \right) + \frac{15B(\beta_1^2)''}{8\varphi^2} + \frac{3(r_3+r_3')}{3\varphi} + \frac{15\alpha B(\beta_1^2)'}{4\varphi^2} \quad (6.64d)$$

$$r_{15} = \frac{45\alpha B\beta_1\theta_2}{4} \quad (6.64e)$$

$$r_{16} = \frac{45\alpha}{16} (\beta_1^2\beta_3 - \theta_2^2\beta_1) + \frac{15\alpha(\beta_1^3)''}{128\varphi^2} + \frac{3(r_4+r_4')}{4\varphi} \quad (6.64f)$$

$$r_{17} = \frac{45\alpha\theta_2\beta_1^2}{16} + \frac{15\alpha(\beta_1^3)'}{64\varphi^2} \quad (6.64g)$$

$$r_{11}(0) = \frac{-15\alpha B^3}{4\varphi^2}, \quad r_{14}(0) = \frac{195\alpha B^3}{12\varphi^2}, \quad , \quad r_{15}(0) = \frac{-45\alpha B^3}{4\varphi}, \quad (6.64h)$$

$$r_{16}(0) = \frac{-485\alpha B^3}{512\varphi^2}, \quad r_{17}(0) = \frac{-45\alpha B^3}{64\varphi^2} \quad (6.64i)$$

On solving (6.64a), using (6.64b) we get

$$U_m^{(32)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_{10} \cos \varphi\hat{t} + \theta_{10} \sin \varphi\hat{t} + \frac{r_{11}}{\varphi^2} - \frac{1}{3\varphi^2} (r_{14} \cos 2\varphi\hat{t} + r_{15} \sin 2\varphi\hat{t}) - \frac{1}{8\varphi^2} (r_{16} \cos 3\varphi\hat{t} + r_{17} \sin 3\varphi\hat{t}) \quad (6.65a)$$

where,

$$\beta_{10}(0) = \frac{-r_{11}(0)}{\varphi^2} + \frac{r_{14}(0)}{3\varphi^2} + \frac{r_{16}(0)}{8\varphi^2}$$

$$\beta_{10}(0) = \frac{333555\alpha B^3}{36864}, \quad \theta_{10}(0) = 0 \quad (6.65b)$$

As was in the case of  $U_m^{(32)}$  in (6.60a) which eventually led to (6.65a), we now substitute for terms into (6.61a) and to ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$ , we equate to zero the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi_{2m}\hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi_{2m}\hat{t}$  and respectively get

$$\theta_8' + \theta_8 = \frac{-1}{2\varphi} (\beta_5'' + 2\beta_5') \quad (6.66a)$$

and

$$\beta_8' + \beta_8 = \frac{-1}{2\varphi} (\theta_5'' + 2\theta_5') \quad (6.66b)$$

On solving, we get

$$\theta_8 = e^{-\tau} \left[ \theta_8(0) - \frac{1}{2\varphi} \int_0^\tau e^s (\beta_5'' + 2\beta_5') ds \right] \quad (6.66b)$$

$$\beta_8 = e^{-\tau} \left[ \beta_8(0) - \frac{1}{2\varphi} \int_0^\tau e^s (\theta_5'' + 2\theta_5') ds \right] \quad (6.66c)$$

The remaining equation in the substitution into (6.61a) is

$$U_{2m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi_{2m}^2 U_{2m}^{(32)} = r_{18} + r_{19} \cos \varphi \hat{t} + r_{20} \sin \varphi \hat{t} + r_{21} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{22} \sin 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{23} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} + r_{23} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t} \quad (6.67a)$$

$$U_{2m}^{(32)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{2m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{2m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) \quad (6.67b)$$

where,

$$r_{18} = \frac{-9\alpha}{2} (B\theta_2^2 + B\beta_1\beta_3) + \frac{3r_0'\alpha}{U_{2m}^2} + \frac{3r_0''\alpha}{2U_{2m}^2} \quad (6.67c)$$

$$r_{19} = \frac{-9\alpha}{2} \left\{ \frac{\beta_1\theta_2^2}{4} + \beta_3 \left( \frac{3\beta_1^2}{4} + B^2 \right) \right\} + \frac{3\alpha r_1''}{2(U_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{3\alpha r_1'}{2(U_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2)} - \frac{2\varphi(r_1' + r_1)}{U_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} \quad (6.67d)$$

$$r_{20} = \frac{-9\alpha\theta_3}{2} \left( \frac{3\beta_1^2}{4} + B^2 \right) \quad (6.67e)$$

$$r_{21} = -9\alpha \left( \frac{B\theta_2^2}{2} + B\beta_1\beta_3 \right) + \frac{9\alpha B(\beta_1^2)''}{2(U_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{9\alpha B(\beta_1^3)'}{2(U_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{4\varphi(r_6' + r_6)}{U_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \quad (6.67f)$$

$$r_{22} = \frac{-9\alpha\theta_3\beta_1}{2} \quad (6.67g)$$

$$r_{23} = -9\alpha \left( \frac{\theta_2^2\beta_1}{4} - \frac{\beta_1\beta_3}{4} \right) + \frac{9\alpha(\beta_1^3)''}{4(U_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} + \frac{3\alpha(\beta_1^3)'}{2(U_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} - \frac{6\varphi(r_7' + r_7)}{U_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \quad (6.67h)$$

$$r_{24} = \frac{-9\alpha\theta_3\beta_1^2}{8} \quad (6.67i)$$

On solving (6.67a,b), we get

$$U_{2m}^{(32)}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_{11} \cos \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} + \theta_{11} \sin \varphi_{2m} \hat{t} + \frac{r_{18}}{\varphi_{2m}^2} + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right) (r_{19} \cos \varphi \hat{t} + r_{20} \sin \varphi \hat{t}) + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \right) (r_{21} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{22} \sin 2\varphi \hat{t}) + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{2m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right) (r_{23} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} + r_{24} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t}) \quad (6.68a)$$

We may not need  $\beta_{11}(0)$  and  $\theta_{11}(0)$ . We next substitute into (6.62a) and to ensure a uniformly valid solution in  $\hat{t}$ , equate to zero, the coefficients of  $\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}$  and  $\sin \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}$  and respectively get

$$\theta_9' + \theta_9 = \frac{-1}{2\varphi_{3m}} (\beta_6'' + 2\beta_6') \quad (6.68b)$$

and

$$\beta_9' + \beta_9 = \frac{1}{2\varphi_{3m}} (\theta_6'' + 2\theta_6') \quad (6.68c)$$

On solving, we get

$$\theta_9 = e^{-\tau} \left[ \theta_9(0) - \frac{1}{2\varphi_{3m}} \int_0^\tau e^s (\beta_6'' + 2\beta_6') ds \right] \quad (6.68d)$$

$$\beta_9 = e^{-\tau} \left[ \beta_9(0) + \frac{-1}{2\varphi_{3m}} \int_0^\tau e^s (\theta_6'' + 2\theta_6') ds \right] \quad (6.68e)$$

The remaining equation in the substitution into (6.62a) is

$$U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(32)} + \varphi_{3m}^2 U_{3m}^{(32)} = r_{25} + r_{26} \cos \varphi \hat{t} + r_{27} \sin \varphi \hat{t} + r_{28} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{29} \sin 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{30} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} + r_{31} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t} \quad (6.69a)$$

$$U_{3m}^{(32)}(0,0) = 0, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(32)}(0,0) + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)}(0,0) \quad (6.69b)$$

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where,

$$r_{25} = \frac{3\alpha B\theta_2^2}{8} + \frac{3B\beta_1\beta_3\alpha}{4} - \alpha \frac{(r_0'' + r_0')}{4U_{3m}^2} \tag{6.69c}$$

$$r_{26} = \frac{3\alpha\theta_2^2\beta_1}{16} + \frac{3\alpha\beta_3}{4} \left( \frac{3\beta_1^2}{4} + B^2 \right) - \frac{\alpha r_1''}{4(U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} - \frac{2\varphi(r_8' + r_0)}{U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} - \frac{-\alpha r_1'}{2(U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \tag{6.69d}$$

$$r_{27} = 3\alpha\theta_3 \left( B^2 - \frac{\beta_1^2}{4} \right) \tag{6.69e}$$

$$r_{28} = \frac{-3\alpha B\theta_2^2}{8} + \frac{3B\beta_1\beta_3\alpha}{4} - \frac{3\alpha B(\beta_1^2)''}{8(U_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{3\alpha B(\beta_1^2)'}{U_{2m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} - \frac{4\varphi(r_9' + r_9)}{U_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \tag{6.69f}$$

$$r_{29} = \frac{3\alpha\theta_2 B\beta_1}{4} \tag{6.69g}$$

$$r_{30} = -\frac{-3\alpha\beta_1\theta_2^2}{8} + \frac{3\beta_1^2\beta_3\alpha}{16} - \frac{\alpha(\beta_1^3)''}{4(U_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} - \frac{\alpha(\beta_1^3)'}{2(U_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} - \frac{6\varphi(r_{10}' + r_{10})}{U_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \tag{6.69h}$$

$$r_{31} = \frac{3\alpha\theta_3\beta_1^2}{16} \tag{6.69i}$$

$$r_{25}(0) = \frac{3\alpha B^3}{8\varphi^2}, \quad r_{26}(0) = 3\alpha B^3 F_{14} \tag{6.69j}$$

$$F_{14} = \frac{-3}{16\varphi^2} + \frac{39}{16(U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{2\alpha\varphi}{U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \left( \frac{57}{128\varphi} + \frac{9\varphi}{4(U_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right) - \frac{21}{8(U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} \tag{6.69k}$$

$$r_{27}(0) = 0, \quad r_{28}(0) = 3\alpha B^3 F_{15} \tag{6.69l}$$

$$F_{15} = \frac{-3}{8\varphi^2} - \frac{3}{2(U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} - \frac{4\varphi}{U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \left( \frac{57}{32\varphi} - \frac{3\varphi}{U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right) + \frac{6}{U_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \tag{6.69m}$$

$$r_{29}(0) = 0, \quad r_{30}(0) = 3\alpha B^3 F_{16}, \quad r_{31}(0) = 0 \tag{6.69n}$$

$$F_{16} = \frac{3}{16\varphi^2} + \frac{61}{56(U_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \tag{6.69o}$$

On solving (6.69a,b), we get

$$U_{3m}^{32}(\hat{t}, \tau) = \beta_{12} \cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \theta_{12} \sin \varphi_{3m} \hat{t} + \frac{r_{25}}{\varphi_{3m}^2} + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} \right) (r_{26} \cos \varphi \hat{t} + r_{27} \sin \varphi \hat{t}) \\ + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} \right) (r_{28} \cos 2\varphi \hat{t} + r_{29} \sin 2\varphi \hat{t}) \\ + \left( \frac{1}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right) (r_{30} \cos 3\varphi \hat{t} + r_{31} \sin 3\varphi \hat{t}) \tag{6.70a}$$

where,

$$\beta_{12}(0) = 3\alpha B^3 F_{17}, \tag{6.70b}$$

$$F_{17} = - \left[ \frac{1}{8\varphi^2 \varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{F_{14}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{F_{15}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} + \frac{F_{16}}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2} \right] \tag{6.70c}$$

$$\theta_{12}(0) = 0 \tag{6.70d}$$

So far, we write the deflection as

$$w(x, \hat{t}, \tau) = \epsilon \left( U_m^{(10)} + \delta U_m^{(11)} + \delta^2 U_m^{(12)} + \dots \right) (1 - \cos 2mx) \\ + \epsilon^3 \left[ U_m^{(30)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m}^{(30)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right. \\ \left. + \delta \left\{ U_m^{(31)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m}^{(31)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \delta^2 \left\{ U_m^{(32)} (1 - \cos 2mx) + U_{2m}^{(32)} (1 - \cos 4mx) + U_{3m}^{(32)} (1 - \cos 6mx) \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \dots \right] + \dots \tag{6.71}$$

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As in [18, 19], the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$ , which is defined as the largest load parameter for the solution of the problem to be bounded, is obtained from the maximization

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dw_a} = 0 \tag{7.1}$$

where,  $w_a$  is the maximum deflection whose maximum values of the dependent variables we shall now determine.

Let  $t_a, \hat{t}_a, \tau_a$  be the values, at maximum displacement of  $t, \hat{t}$  and  $\tau$  respectively and let us now assume the following asymptotic series

$$\hat{t}_a = \hat{t}_0 + \delta\hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{22} + \dots) + \dots \tag{7.2a}$$

$$t_a = t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \delta^2 t_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \delta^2 t_{22} + \dots) + \dots$$

$$\tau_a = \delta t_a = \delta[t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \delta^2 t_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \delta^2 t_{22} + \dots) + \dots] \tag{7.2b}$$

As a function of  $x, \hat{t}, \tau$ , the conditions for  $w(x, \hat{t}, \tau)$  to have a maximum are

$$w_{,x} = 0, \quad (1 + \mu'_2\epsilon^2 + \mu'_3\epsilon^3 + \dots)w_{,\hat{t}} + \delta w_{,\tau} = 0 \tag{7.3}$$

On substituting (6.71) into the first of (7.3), we get the value of  $x$  at maximum deflection, namely  $x_a$ , as

$$x_a = \frac{\pi}{2m}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, \dots \tag{7.4}$$

On evaluating (6.71) at  $x = x_a = \frac{\pi}{2m}$ , we get

$$w = 2\epsilon(U_m^{(10)} + \delta U_m^{(11)} + \delta^2 U_m^{(12)} + \dots) + 2\epsilon^3[U_m^{(30)} + U_{3m}^{(30)} + \delta\{U_m^{(31)} + U_{3m}^{(31)}\} + \delta^2\{U_m^{(32)} + U_{3m}^{(32)}\} + \dots] \tag{7.5}$$

We shall now expand each of the terms of (7.3), (which is evaluated at  $(x_a, \hat{t}_a, \tau_a)$ ) by using (7.2a-c), as well as (7.4) and (7.5). Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} = & \epsilon \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{22} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} \right. \\ & + \delta\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \delta^2 t_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \delta^2 t_{22} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\{\{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2\hat{t}_{22} + \dots) + \dots\}^2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} \\ & + 2\delta\{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} \\ & \times \{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} \\ & \left. + \delta^2\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau\tau}^{(10)} \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \tag{7.6a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon\delta U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} = & \epsilon\delta \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + \{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} \right. \\ & + \delta\{t_0 + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\{\{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \dots) + \dots\}^2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} \\ & + 2\delta\{\delta\hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta\hat{t}_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} \\ & \left. \times \{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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$$+\delta^2\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau\tau}^{(11)} \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon \delta^2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} &= \epsilon \delta^2 \left[ U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(12)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta\{t_0 + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(12)} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6c) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3 \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) &= \epsilon^3 \left[ \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots\} \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots\} \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} \right) + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6d) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3 \delta \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} \right) &= \epsilon^3 \delta \left[ \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} \right) + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots\} \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(31)} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots\} \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(31)} \right) + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6e) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon^3 \delta^2 \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(32)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(32)} \right) = \epsilon^3 \delta^2 \left[ \left( U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(32)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(32)} \right) + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6f)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3 \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} &= \epsilon^3 \left[ \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \mu'_2 \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots\} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \delta\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots\} \left( \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} \right)_{,\tau} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \{\hat{t}_{01} + \dots\}^2 \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \delta\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots\} \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots\} \left( \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} \right)_{,\tau} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \delta^2 (t_0 + \dots)^2 \left( \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} \right)_{,\tau\tau} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6g) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3 \delta \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} &= \epsilon^3 \delta \left[ \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + (\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots) \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta(t_0 + \dots) \left( \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} \right)_{,\tau} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6h) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon^3 \delta^2 \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} = \epsilon^3 \delta^2 \left[ \mu'_2 U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon \delta U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} &= \epsilon \delta \left[ U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2} \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \dots) + \dots\}^2 U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2\delta\{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \dots) + \dots\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau\tau}^{(11)} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6j) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon \delta^2 U_{m,\tau}^{(11)} = \epsilon \delta^2 \left[ U_{m,\tau}^{(11)} + \dots + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^3 \delta \left( U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)} \right) &= \epsilon^3 \delta \left[ \left( U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)} \right) + \{\delta \hat{t}_{01} + \dots\} \left( U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} \right) + \dots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \delta(t_0 + \dots) \left( U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau\tau}^{(30)} \right) + \dots \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.6l) \end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon^3 \delta^2 \left( U_{m,\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)} \right) = \epsilon^3 \delta^2 \left( U_{m,\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)} \right) \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} + \dots \quad (7.6m)$$

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By substituting (7.6a - m) into the second equation of (7.3) and equating the coefficients of  $\epsilon^i \delta^j$ , we get

$$O(\epsilon): U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = 0 \tag{7.7a}$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta): \hat{t}_{01}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + t_0U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} = 0 \tag{7.7b}$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta^2): \hat{t}_{02}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + t_{01}U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + \frac{(\hat{t}_{01})^2}{2}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + \hat{t}_{01}t_0U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + \frac{(t_0)^2}{2}U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)} + \hat{t}_{01}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} + t_0U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(12)} + \hat{t}_{01}U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + t_0U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\tau}^{(11)} \tag{7.7c}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3): \hat{t}_{20}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + (U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)}) + \mu'_2(0)U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} = 0 \tag{7.7d}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3\delta): \hat{t}_{21}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + t_{20}U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + \frac{1}{2}\{2\hat{t}_{01}\hat{t}_{20}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + 2\hat{t}_{20}t_0U_{m,\hat{t}\tau\tau}^{(10)}\} + \hat{t}_{20}U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(11)} + \hat{t}_{01}(U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)}) + t_0(U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(30)}) + (U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(30)}) + \hat{t}_{20}U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} + (U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}) = 0 \tag{7.7e}$$

etc., where equations (7.7a) to (7.7e) are evaluated at  $(\hat{t}_0, 0)$ .

From (7.7a), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi\hat{t}_0 &= \pi n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ \therefore \hat{t}_0 &= \frac{\pi}{\varphi}, \quad (n = 1) \end{aligned} \tag{7.8a}$$

where we have taken  $n = 1$ .

On substituting (7.8) in (7.7b) and simplifying, we get

$$\hat{t}_{01} = \frac{-(U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)})}{U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)}} \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} = 0 \tag{7.8b}$$

On substituting for terms in (7.7c) and simplifying, we get

$$\hat{t}_{02} = \frac{-\hat{t}_0U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)}}{U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)}} \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} = \frac{\hat{t}_0}{\varphi^2} = \frac{\pi}{\varphi^3} \tag{7.8c}$$

We next substitute into (7.7d) and get

$$\hat{t}_{20} = \frac{-(U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)})}{U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)}} \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \tag{7.8d}$$

Now,

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \frac{45\alpha B^3}{16}, \quad U_{3m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \alpha B^3 S_{15}, \tag{7.8e}$$

$$S_{15} = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left\{ \frac{1}{2\varphi_{3m}^2} - \frac{15}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{3}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{1}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} - \left\{ \frac{15\varphi^2}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{12\varphi^2}{(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{9\varphi^2}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right\} \right] \tag{7.8f}$$

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = -\varphi^2 B \tag{7.8g}$$

On substituting for terms in (7.8d), we get

$$\hat{t}_{20} = \alpha B^2 T_{20}, \quad T_{20} = \left( S_{15} + \frac{45}{16} \right) \tag{7.8h}$$

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After substituting for terms in (7.7e) and simplifying, many terms vanish and the remaining terms give

$$\hat{t}_{21} = \left[ \frac{-1}{U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)}} \left( \hat{t}_{20}t_0 + U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)} + U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)} + U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)} \right) \right] \Bigg|_{(\hat{t}_0,0)} \quad (7.8i)$$

We now evaluate each of the terms in (7.8i) as follows:

$$U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \frac{2385\alpha B^3}{256} \quad (7.9a)$$

$$U_{3m,\hat{t}}^{(31)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \alpha B^3 F_{20} \quad (7.9b)$$

$$F_{20} = S_1 \cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0 - \frac{\varphi F_1}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} - \frac{3}{28(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} - \frac{9}{56(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \quad (7.9c)$$

$$U_{m,\tau}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \frac{315\alpha B^3}{64\varphi^2} \quad (7.9d)$$

$$U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \alpha B^3 S_{47} \quad (7.9e)$$

$$S_{47} = -\frac{F_4 \cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0}{8} - \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{3}{\varphi_{3m}^2} + \frac{21}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{3}{28(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{3}{56(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right] \quad (7.9f)$$

$$U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}\tau}^{(10)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \varphi^2 \beta'_1(0) = \varphi^2 B \quad (7.9g)$$

On substituting for terms in (7.8i), we get

$$\hat{t}_{21} = \alpha B^2 T_{21}, \quad T_{21} = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \left[ t_0 T_{20} \varphi^2 + \frac{2385}{256} + F_{20} - \frac{13779}{384\varphi^2} + S_{47} \right] \quad (7.10)$$

Later, we shall also need terms like  $t_0, t_{01}, t_{02}, t_{20}$  and  $t_{21}$  which we now evaluate directly from (6.2b) (evaluated at maximum values of the variables). Thus, at maximum deflection, (6.2b) becomes

$$\hat{t}_a = t_a + \left( \frac{\mu_2(\tau_a)\epsilon^2 + \mu_3(\tau_a)\epsilon^3 + \dots}{\delta} \right) \quad (7.11)$$

By using (7.2a - c), we can write (7.11) as

$$\begin{aligned} & \hat{t}_0 + \delta \hat{t}_{01} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2 (\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots) + \dots \\ & = t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \delta^2 t_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2 (t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \delta^2 t_{22} + \dots) \\ & \quad + \epsilon^2 \left\{ \mu_2(0) + t_a \mu'_2(0) + \frac{\delta t_a^2}{2} \mu''_2(0) \right\} \\ & + \epsilon^3 \left\{ \mu_3(0) + t_a \mu'_3(0) + \frac{\delta t_a^2}{2} \mu''_3(0) + \dots \right\} + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (7.12)$$



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We note the fact that  $\mu_i(0) = 0$  and equally note that  $t_a$  can be expanded using (7.2b).

By equating coefficients of  $\epsilon^i \delta^j$  in (7.12), we get

$$O(\epsilon): \quad \hat{t}_0 = \frac{\pi}{\varphi} = t_0$$

$$\therefore t_0 = \frac{\pi}{\varphi} \tag{7.13a}$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta): \quad \hat{t}_{01} = 0 = t_{01}$$

$$\therefore t_{01} = 0 \tag{7.13b}$$

$$O(\epsilon\delta^2): \quad \hat{t}_{02} = \frac{t_0}{\varphi} = \frac{\pi}{\varphi^2} = t_{02}$$

$$\therefore t_{02} = \frac{\pi}{\varphi^2} \tag{7.13c}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3): \quad \hat{t}_{20} = \alpha B^2 T_{20} = t_{20} + \mu'_2(0)t_0$$

$$\therefore t_{20} = \alpha B^2 T_{20} - \mu'_2(0)t_0 = \alpha B^2 T_{20}^{(1)} \tag{7.13d}$$

$$T_{20}^{(1)} = T_{20} + \frac{225\pi}{32\varphi^3} \tag{7.14}$$

$$O(\epsilon^3\delta): \quad \hat{t}_{21} = \alpha B^2 T_{21} = t_{21} + t_{01}\mu'_2(0) + \frac{t_0^2}{2}\mu''_2(0)$$

$$\therefore t_{21} = \alpha B^2 T_{21} - t_{01}\mu'_2(0) - \frac{t_0^2}{2}\mu''_2(0) = \alpha B^2 T_{21}^{(1)} \tag{7.15a}$$

$$T_{21}^{(1)} = T_{21} - \frac{45\pi^2}{32\varphi^4} \tag{7.15b}$$

**8. MAXIMUM DEFLECTION,  $w_a$**

To determine the maximum deflection  $w_a$ , we evaluate (7.5) at  $\hat{t}_a$ ,  $t_a$  and  $\tau_a$ . Thus, we get

$$w_a = 2\epsilon(U_{ma}^{(10)} + \delta U_{ma}^{(11)} + \delta^2 U_{ma}^{(12)}) + 2\epsilon^3 \left[ (U_{ma}^{(30)} + U_{3ma}^{(30)}) + \delta(U_{ma}^{(31)} + U_{3ma}^{(31)}) + \delta^2(U_{ma}^{(32)} + U_{3ma}^{(32)}) + \dots \right] + \dots \tag{8.1}$$

where,  $U_{ma}^{(ij)} = U_m^{(ij)}(\hat{t}_a, \tau_a)$ .

We now expand each term of (8.1) using (7.2a - c). Thus, we have

$$\epsilon U_{ma}^{(10)} = \epsilon U_m^{(10)}(\hat{t}_a, t_a, \tau_a) = \epsilon \left[ U_m^{(10)} + \{\hat{t}_{01}\delta + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots)\} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \{ \{\hat{t}_{01}\delta + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots)\}^2$$

$$+ \delta \{ t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) \}$$

$$\times \{ \hat{t}_{01}\delta + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots) \} U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)}$$

$$+ \delta^2 \{ t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) \}^2 + \dots \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \tag{8.2}$$

$$\epsilon \delta U_{ma}^{(11)} = \epsilon \delta \left[ U_m^{(11)} + \{\hat{t}_{01}\delta + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{02} + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} \right]$$

$$+ \delta \{ t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \{ \{\hat{t}_{01}\delta + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots)\}^2$$

$$+ 2\delta \{ t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots) \}$$

$$\times \{ \hat{t}_{01}\delta + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \delta \hat{t}_{21} + \delta^2 \hat{t}_{22} + \dots) \} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)}$$

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$$+\delta^2\{t_0 + \delta t_{01} + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\}^2 + \dots \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \quad (8.3)$$

$$\epsilon \delta^2 U_{ma}^{(12)} = \epsilon \delta^2 \left[ U_m^{(12)} + \{\hat{t}_{01} \delta + \dots + \epsilon^2(\hat{t}_{20} + \dots)\} U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + \delta\{t_0 + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\} + \dots \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \quad (8.4)$$

$$\epsilon^3 (U_m^{(30)} + U_{3m}^{(30)}) = \epsilon^3 \left[ (U_m^{(30)} + U_{3m}^{(30)}) + \{\hat{t}_{01} \delta + \dots\} (U_m^{(30)} + U_{3m}^{(30)})_{,\hat{t}} + \delta\{t_0 + \dots + \epsilon^2(t_{20} + \delta t_{21} + \dots)\} (U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}) \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \quad (8.5)$$

$$\delta \epsilon^3 (U_m^{(31)} + U_{3m}^{(31)}) = \delta \epsilon^3 \left[ (U_m^{(31)} + U_{3m}^{(31)}) + \{\hat{t}_{01} \delta + \dots\} (U_m^{(31)} + U_{3m}^{(31)})_{,\hat{t}} + \delta(t_0 + \dots) (U_{m,\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)}) \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \quad (8.6)$$

$$\delta^2 \epsilon^3 (U_m^{(32)} + U_{3m}^{(32)}) = \delta^2 \epsilon^3 (U_{m,\tau}^{(31)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(31)}) \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} \quad (8.7)$$

On substituting (8.2) - (8.7) into (8.1), we observe that most terms vanish and the remaining ones are given as

$$w_a = 2\epsilon \left( U_m^{(10)} + \delta t_0 U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} + \frac{\delta^2 t_0^2}{2} U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)} \right) \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} + 2\epsilon^3 \left[ (U_m^{(30)} + U_{3m}^{(30)}) + \delta \{t_{20} U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} + \hat{t}_{20} U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(10)} + t_0 (U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)})\} + \delta^2 \{t_{21} U_{m,\tau}^{(10)} + \hat{t}_{02} \hat{t}_{20} U_{m,\hat{t}\hat{t}}^{(10)} + t_0 t_{20} U_{m,\tau\tau}^{(10)} + \hat{t}_{21} U_{m,\hat{t}}^{(11)} + t_0 \hat{t}_{20} U_{m,\hat{t}\tau}^{(11)} + \frac{t_0^2}{2} (U_{m,\tau}^{(30)} + U_{3m,\tau}^{(30)}) + (U_m^{(32)} + U_{3m}^{(32)}) \right] \Big|_{(\hat{t}_0, 0)} + \dots \quad (8.8)$$

We however note that

$$U_m^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \frac{15\alpha B^3}{\varphi^2}, \quad (8.9a)$$

$$U_{3m}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \alpha B^3 S_9 \quad (8.9b)$$

$$S_9 = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{5(1-\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{2\varphi^2} + \frac{5(1+\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2)} + \frac{3(1-\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{2(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2)} + \frac{(1-\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right] \quad (8.9c)$$

$$U_m^{(32)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \frac{-55\alpha B^3}{3\varphi^4}, \quad (8.10a)$$

$$U_{3m}^{(30)}(\hat{t}_0, 0) = \alpha B^3 S_{17} \quad (8.10b)$$

$$S_{17} = \left[ \frac{3(1-\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{8\varphi_{3m}^2 \varphi^2} - \frac{F_{14}(1+\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - \varphi^2} + \frac{F_{15}(1-\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{\varphi_{3m}^2 - 4\varphi^2} - \frac{F_{16}(1+\cos \varphi_{3m} \hat{t}_0)}{4(\varphi_{3m}^2 - 9\varphi^2)} \right] \quad (8.10c)$$

On substituting (8.9a) - (8.10c) into (8.8) and simplifying, we get

$$w_a = 4\epsilon B \left[ 1 - \frac{\delta\pi}{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\delta\pi}{\varphi} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{30\alpha B^3 \epsilon^3}{\varphi^2} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31} \delta + A_{32} \delta^2 \right] + \dots \quad (8.11a)$$

where,

$$A_{31} = \frac{\varphi^2}{15} \left[ \frac{\pi}{\varphi} \left( \frac{315}{64\varphi^2} + S_{47} \right) - T_{20}^{(1)} - T_{20} \right] \quad (8.11b)$$

$$A_{32} = \frac{\varphi^2}{15} \left[ \left( \frac{\pi}{\varphi} \right) T_{20}^{(1)} - T_{21}^{(1)} - \left( \frac{\pi}{\varphi} \right) T_{20} - T_{21} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\pi}{\varphi^2} \right) \left( \frac{315}{64\varphi^2} + S_{47} \right) - \frac{55}{3\varphi^4} + S_{18} \right] \quad (8.11c)$$

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9. DYNAMIC BUCKLING LOAD,  $\lambda_D$

Having determined the maximum deflection,  $w_a$  as in (8.11a - c), we shall now determine the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  from the maximization (7.1). We shall first reverse the series (8.10a) which we now write as

$$w_a = \epsilon e_1 + \epsilon^3 e_4 + \dots \tag{9.1a}$$

where,

$$e_1 = 4 \left[ 1 - \frac{\delta\pi}{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\delta\pi}{\varphi} \right)^2 \right] \tag{9.1b}$$

$$e_3 = \frac{30\alpha B^3}{\varphi^3} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31}\delta + A_{32}\delta^2 \right] \tag{9.1c}$$

Thus, for the reversal, we write

$$\epsilon = f_1 w_a + f_3 w_a^3 + \dots \tag{9.2}$$

Upon substituting in (8.13) for  $w_a$  from (8.12a), and equating the coefficients of  $\epsilon$ , we get

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{e_1}, \quad f_3 = -\left( \frac{e_3}{e_1^4} \right) \tag{9.3a}$$

The maximization (7.1) is now easily executed from (9.2) to yield

$$f_1 + 3f_3 w_{aD}^3 = 0, \tag{9.3b}$$

where  $w_{aD}$  is the maximum value of the deflection at dynamic buckling. Thus, we have

$$w_{aD} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{-f_1}{3f_3}} \tag{9.4}$$

On substituting from (9.3a) in (9.4) we get

$$w_{aD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left( \frac{e_1^3}{e_3} \right) \tag{9.5}$$

If we next evaluate (9.2) at dynamic buckling, we get

$$\epsilon = f_1 w_{aD} + f_3 w_{aD}^3 + \dots = w_{aD} (f_1 + 3f_3 w_{aD}^2) \tag{9.6}$$

On substituting in (9.6) for  $f_1, f_3$  and  $w_{aD}$ , we get

$$\epsilon = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \left( \frac{e_1}{e_3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{9.7}$$

On substituting in (9.7), we get the equation for determining the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  as

$$(16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_D + 1)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{10}(\epsilon\bar{a}_m)m^2\lambda_D\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{\left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31}\delta + A_{32}\delta^2 \right]}{1 - \frac{\delta\pi}{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\delta\pi}{\varphi} \right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{9.9}$$

Equation (9.9) gives an implicit formula for determining the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$ . By using equation (5.25), we can eliminate the imperfection parameter  $\epsilon$  and hence relate  $\lambda_S$  to  $\lambda_D$ . This gives

$$\left( \frac{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_D + 1}{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_S + 1} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \sqrt{2} \left( \frac{\lambda_D}{\lambda_S} \right) \left[ \frac{\left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31}\delta + A_{32}\delta^2 \right]}{1 - \frac{\delta\pi}{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\delta\pi}{\varphi} \right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{4}{1 + \frac{4}{15} \left( \frac{16m^4 - 8m^2\lambda_S + 1}{1296m^4 - 72m^2\lambda_S + 1} \right)} \right] \tag{9.10}$$

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The least value of the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  is obtained when  $m = 1$  and for this value, equations (9.9) and (9.10) respectively become

$$(17 - 8\lambda_D)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 18\sqrt{10}(\epsilon\bar{a}_1)\lambda_D\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{\left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31}\delta + A_{32}\delta^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1 - \frac{\delta\pi}{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{\delta\pi}{\varphi}\right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (9.11)$$

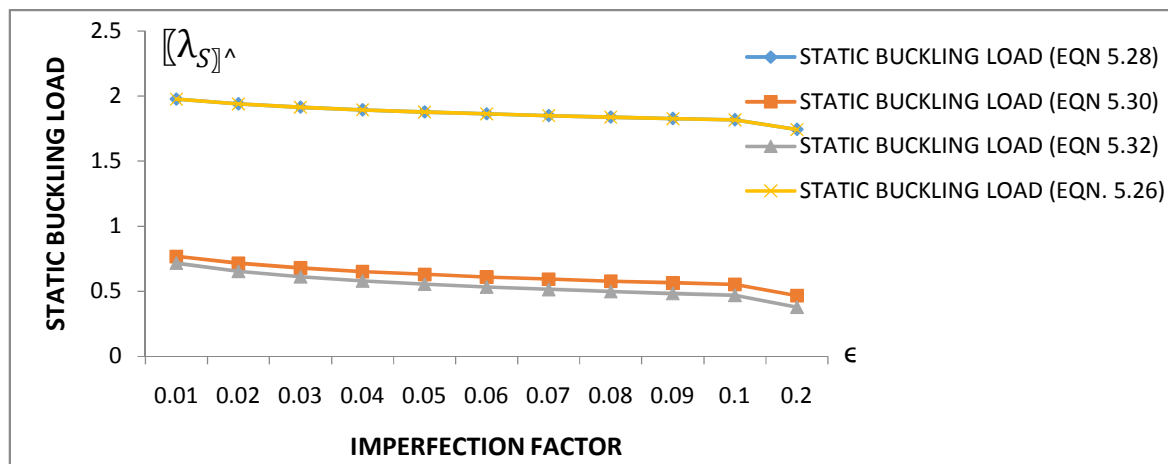
and

$$\left( \frac{17-8\lambda_D}{17-8\lambda_S} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \sqrt{2} \left( \frac{\lambda_D}{\lambda_S} \right) \left[ \frac{\left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\varphi^2 S_9}{15} \right) + A_{31}\delta + A_{32}\delta^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1 + \frac{4}{15} \left( \frac{17-8\lambda_S}{1297-72\lambda_S} \right)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (9.12)$$

where the right hand sides of (9.11) and (9.12) are to be evaluated at  $m = 1$ .

**10. ANALYSIS OF RESULTS**

The graphical plots of the results were done using Q-Basic codes and the results are hereby presented in Fig. 1, Fig. 2 and Fig. 3.



**Fig. 1:** Relationship between the Static buckling load,  $\lambda_S$  and Imperfection factor,  $\epsilon$  using Eqn. (5.26), Eqn.(5.28), Eqn.(5.30) and Eqn.(5.32).

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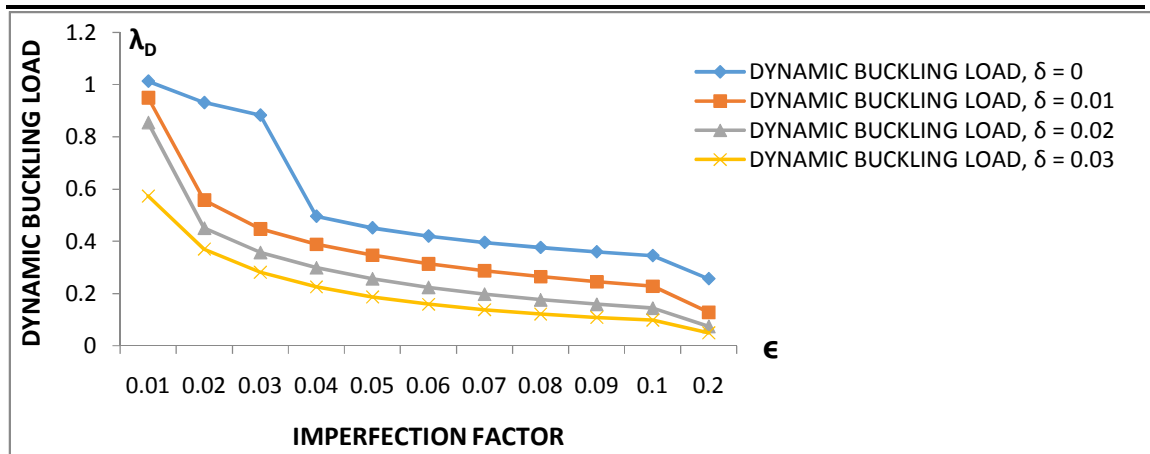


Fig. 2: Relationship between the Dynamic buckling loads and Imperfection parameters at some fixed values of the damping factor,  $\delta$ , using Eqn. (9.11).

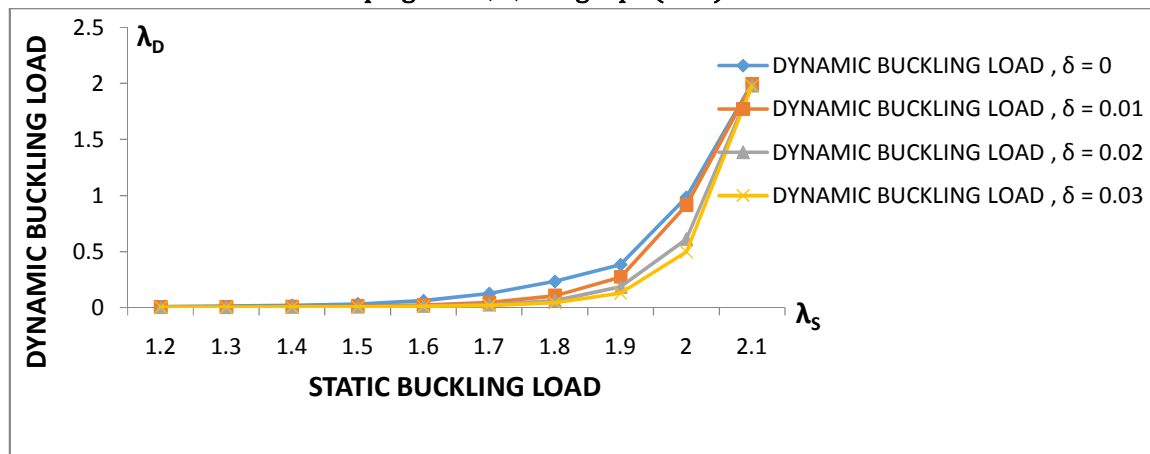


Fig. 3: Relationship between the Dynamic buckling loads and the Static buckling loads at some fixed values of the damping factor,  $\delta$ , using Eqn. (9.12).

From Fig. 1, we observe that the static buckling load of a clamped column is always higher than that of the same column with simply-supported boundary conditions. In general, the static buckling load of a column with either clamped or simply-supported boundary conditions and whose deflections are strictly in the shape of imperfection always has the least static buckling load. However, while the static buckling load of a clamped column satisfies the inequality,  $1 < \lambda_S < 2.125$ , a similar column with simply-supported boundary supports satisfies the inequality  $0 < \lambda_S < 1$ .

Fig. 2 shows that the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  decreases with increased imperfection for any value of the damping parameter.

From Fig. 3, we observe that at low values of the static buckling load  $\lambda_S$  (precisely for  $1 < \lambda_S < 1.45$ ), there is no significant difference in the value of the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  of the column, whether damped or undamped. However, at higher values of  $\lambda_S$  (i.e.  $1.45 < \lambda_S < 2.125$ ), the dynamic buckling load  $\lambda_D$  rises with  $\lambda_S$  and the highest of

such rise is the undamped case. It is not clear whether such a result is specific to clamped boundary conditions or whether it is general. As in the static loading case, the inequality satisfied by the clamped column is  $1 < \lambda_S < 2.125$ . We thus observe that generally, whether in the static or dynamic loading cases, clamped columns buckle at much more higher loads than similar columns with simply-supported boundary supports. For reasons attributed to nonlinearity and imperfection, clamped columns on nonlinear elastic foundations buckle at lower values of buckling loads than the corresponding classical buckling load of the column.

We observe that while the buckling modes split into three distinct modes proportional to  $(1 - \cos 2mx)$ ,  $(1 - \cos 4mx)$  and  $(1 - \cos 6mx)$ , it is only the buckling modes in the shapes of  $(1 - \cos 2mx)$  and  $(1 - \cos 6mx)$  that eventually contribute to dynamic buckling. The mode in the shape of  $(1 - \cos 4mx)$  does not contribute.

Lastly, as seen in equations (8.20) and (8.22), we are able to directly relate  $\lambda_D$  to  $\lambda_S$  even without the knowledge of the size of the associated imperfection. In this way, we have circumvented the process of repeating the arduous manipulations for different imperfection parameters.

## 11. CONCLUSION

We have carried out an analytical investigation of the buckling of an imperfect clamped column lying on a nonlinear elastic foundation but struck axially by a step load. It is our contention that similar enquiries can be extended to other loading conditions apart from step load and to other structures apart from columns.

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