

# Coupled Magnetomechanical Modeling of Magnetostrictive Materials with Application to Transducer Design

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# Introduction

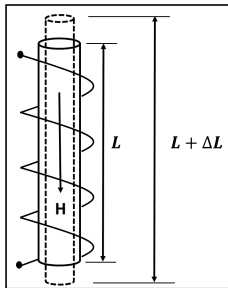


Figure 1: Phenomenon of magnetostrictive materials

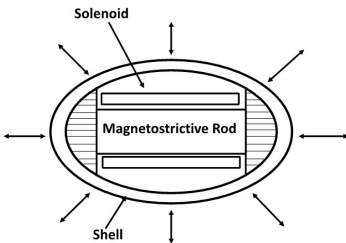
- Magnetostrictive Materials are a class of smart materials that exhibits coupling between magnetic and mechanical domains.
- They undergo change in shape when subjected to external magnetic field.

# Why their is need for Rare Earth Materials

- Ferromagnets.
  - Low magnetostriction  $\sim 100$  ppm.
- Rare earth materials(Terbium, Dysprosium).
  - Low curie point at room temperature.
- Rare earth alloys
  - Terfenol-D ( $Tb_x Dy_{1-x} Fe_2$ )
    - Maximum magnetostriction  $\sim 1250$  ppm.
    - Brittle in nature.
  - Galfenol ( $Fe_x Ga_{1-x}$ )
    - Maximum magnetostriction  $\sim 250$  ppm.
    - High tensile strength.

# Potential Applications of Magnetostrictive Material

## A. Sonar Transducer



## B. Noncontact Torque Sensor

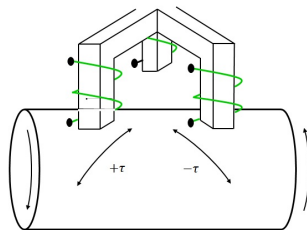


Figure 2: Applications of magnetostrictive material [Source: Olabi and Grunwald (2008)]

and many more applications ...

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# Magnetostrictive bending actuator

- ① Mudivarthy et al. (2008)
  - Developed 3D Bidirectional Magnetoelastic Model (BCMEm).
  - Computationally expensive model.
  
- ② Graham et al. (2009)
  - Developed 2D Bidirectional Magnetoelastic Model (BCMEm).
  - Computationally efficient as compared to Mudivarthy et al. (2008).
  
- ③ Cao et al. (2015)
  - Incorporates nonlinear magnetomechanical model.
  - Computationally expensive model.



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# Objectives

- a Computationaly efficient modeling of magnetostrictive material.
- b Design of magnetostrictive actuator.
  - Computational framework of 2D magnetostrictive rod actuator.
  - Finite element framework for 1D unimorph bending actuator.

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# Energies in Magnetostrictive material

$$\psi(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{m}) = \psi_{anisotropy} + \psi_{magnetoelastic} + \psi_{zeeman}$$

where  $\mathbf{m}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  are the magnetic moment and elastic strain.

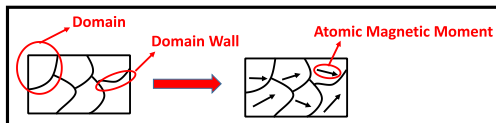


Figure 3: Magnetic domains

$$\psi(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, m^k, \xi^k) = \sum_k \xi^k (\psi_{anisotropy}^k + \psi_{elastic}^k + \psi_{zeeman}^k)$$

where  $\xi^k$  is domain volume fraction given by  $\frac{\exp(\frac{-\psi^k}{\omega})}{\sum_{k=1}^r \exp(\frac{-\psi^k}{\omega})}$ .

# Locally Linearized Constitutive Model

## Constrained Locally Linearized Constitutive Model:

In nonlinear model, a single energy expression is used for any particle orientation whereas in this case a local energy expression is analytically calculated about each easy axis  $\mathbf{c}^k = [c_1, c_2, c_3]$ ,

$$\psi_{cons}(m_1, m_2, m_3, L) = \psi_{anisotropy} + \psi_{zeeman} + \psi_{magnetoelastic} + L(m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_3^2 - 1)$$

Using Taylor series expansion upto second order differential.

$$\frac{\partial \psi_{cons}^k}{\partial m_i^k} = \left. \frac{\partial \psi_{cons}^k}{\partial m_i^k} \right|_{\mathbf{c}^k} + \left. \frac{\partial^2 \psi_{cons}^k}{\partial m_i^k \partial m_j^k} \right|_{\mathbf{c}^k} (m_j^k - c_j^k) = 0$$

$$[\tilde{\mathbf{K}}^k][\mathbf{m}^k - \mathbf{c}^k] = [\mathbf{B}^k]$$

# Locally Linearized Constitutive Model (cont.)

$$\text{Magnetic Induction : } B = \mu_0(H + \sum_{k=1}^r \xi^k m^k)$$

$$\text{Total Strain : } S = sT + \sum_{k=1}^r \xi^k \lambda^k$$

# Effect of prestress ( $\sigma$ ) on nature of B-H curves

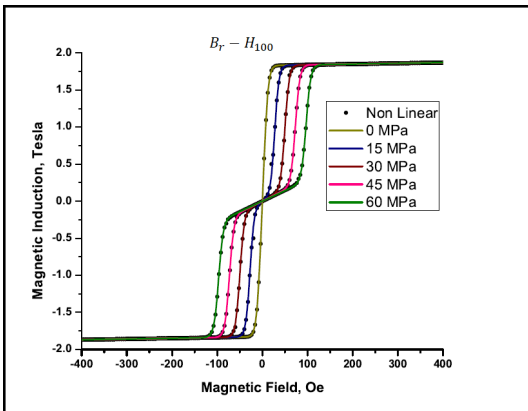


Figure 4: Comparison of magnetic induction (B) vs magnetic field (H) between the nonlinear and locally linearized model along [100] at various prestress values.

# Effect of prestress ( $\sigma$ ) on nature of $\lambda$ -H curves

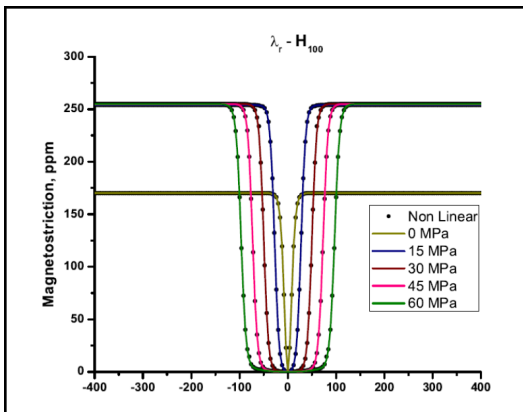


Figure 5: Comparison of magnetostriction ( $\lambda$ ) vs magnetic field ( $H$ ) between the nonlinear and locally linearized model along [100] at various prestress values.



# Effect of magnetic field (H) on nature of B- $\sigma$ curves

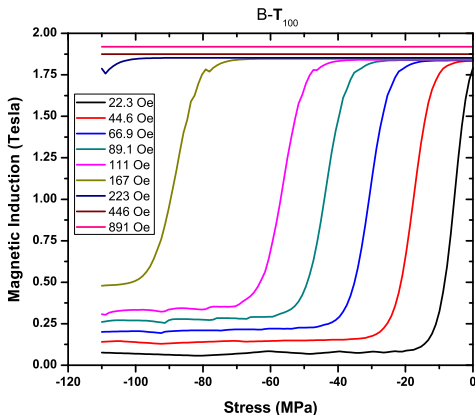


Figure 6: Magnetic Induction (B) vs stress ( $\sigma$ ) along [1 0 0] at various prestress values

# Effect of magnetic field (H) on nature of $\varepsilon$ - $\sigma$ curves

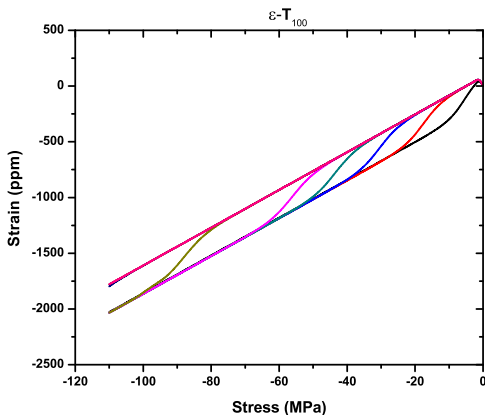


Figure 7: Strain ( $\varepsilon$ ) vs stress ( $\sigma$ ) along  $[1\ 0\ 0]$  at various prestress values

# Effect of stress

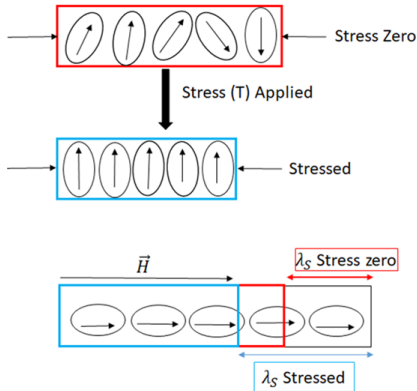


Figure 8: Effect of stress ( $\sigma$ ) on magnetization and magnetostriction

## 3D Magnetomechanical Governing Equations

General constitutive modelling of magnetostrictive materials involves coupling between the magnetic and mechanical BVPs.

Navier's equation in weak form is given by

$$\int_V \left[ \mathbf{T} \cdot \delta \mathbf{S} + \rho \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial t^2} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} + c \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} \right] dV = \int_{\partial V} \mathbf{t} \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} d\partial V + \int_V \mathbf{f}_B \cdot \delta \mathbf{u} dV$$

Also, the magnetostatic governing equation in weak form valid in the magnetic material medium and the surrounding free space is given by

$$\int_{\mathcal{E}} \text{grad} \delta \phi \cdot \mathbf{B} dV = 0 \quad (1)$$

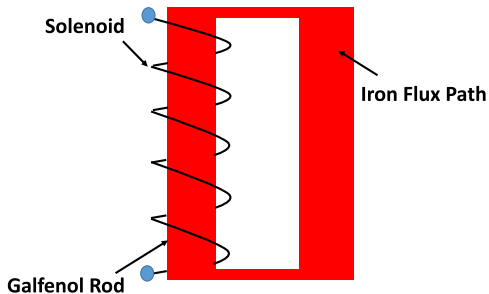
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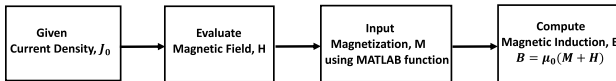
# Applications of Transducer Design

- ▶ Applications of transducer
  - 1 2D axisymmetric rod actuator.
  - 2 Composite unimorph bending actuator.

# 2D Axisymmetric Transducer Design



## Schematic view of Galfenol rod actuator



## Finite Element Solution of Magnetic Boundary Value problem in COMSOL

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# Rod Actuator Characteristics

## A. Magnetic Flux Distribution

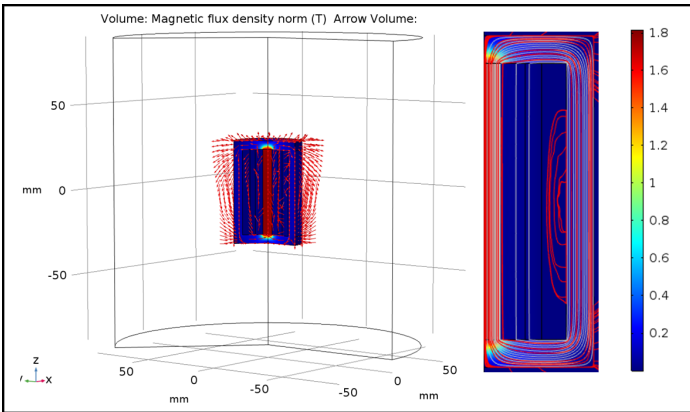


Figure 9: 3D of the norm of magnetic flux density

# Rod Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

## B. Strain Distribution

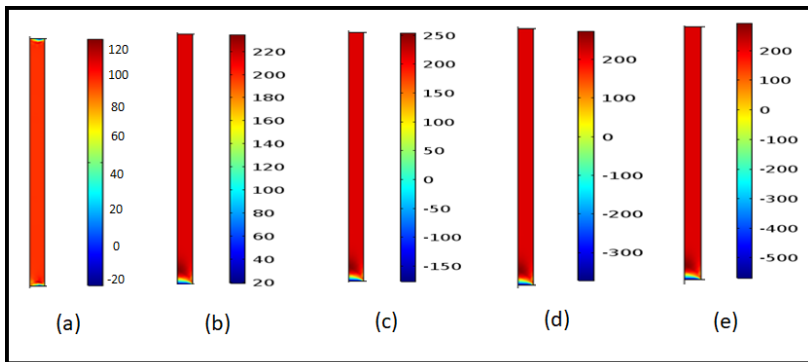


Figure 10: Axial strain distribution at various prestress values in Galfenol rod (a) 0 MPa, (b) 15 MPa, (c) 30 MPa, (d) 45 MPa, (e) 60 MPa

# Rod Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

## 1. Magnetostriction ( $\lambda$ )-Current Density ( $J_0$ )

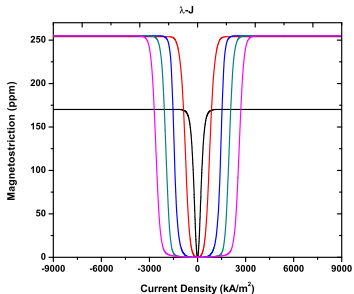


Figure 11: Magnetostriction ( $\lambda$ ) vs current density ( $J_0$ ) for anhyseretic model at various pre-stress values.

# Rod Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

## 2. Magnetic Induction (B)-Current Density ( $J_0$ )

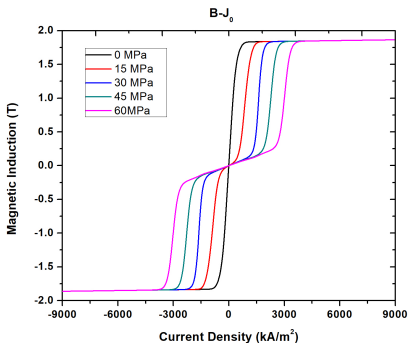


Figure 12: Magnetic induction (B) vs current density ( $J_0$ ) for anhysteretic model at various pre-stress values.

# Composite Unimorph Transducer

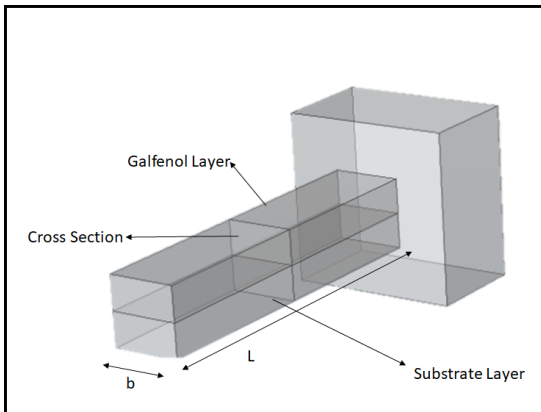


Figure 13: Cantilevered composite magnetostrictive unimorph

# Composite Unimorph Transducer (cont.)

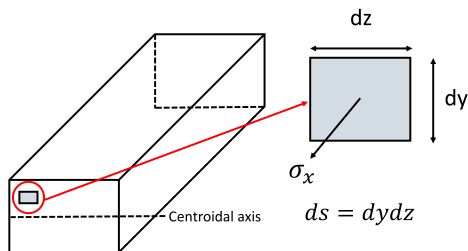


Figure 14: Beam cross-section

## Weak form expression of 1D Euler-Bernoulli Beam

$$\int_0^L \left( \frac{d\hat{u}_x}{dx} N + \frac{d\hat{u}_y^2}{dx^2} M \right) dx = 0$$

# Composite Unimorph Transducer (cont.)

$$\begin{Bmatrix} N \\ M \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\text{effective}} A_{\text{effective}} & b(E_{al} \frac{t_2^2}{2} - E_g \frac{t_1^2}{2}) \\ b(E_{al} \frac{t_2^2}{2} - E_g \frac{t_1^2}{2}) & E_{\text{effective}} I_{\text{effective}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \varepsilon_0 \\ \kappa \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} -E_g A_g \lambda \\ E_g b \frac{t_1^2}{2} \lambda \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$E_{\text{effective}} = \frac{(E_g A_g + E_{al} A_{al})}{(A_g + A_{al})},$$

$$I_{\text{effective}} = I_g + I_{al} + A_g \left(\frac{t_1}{2}\right)^2 + A_{al} \left(\frac{t_2}{2}\right)^2, \text{ and } A_{\text{effective}} = A_g + A_{al}$$

# Bending Actuator Characteristics

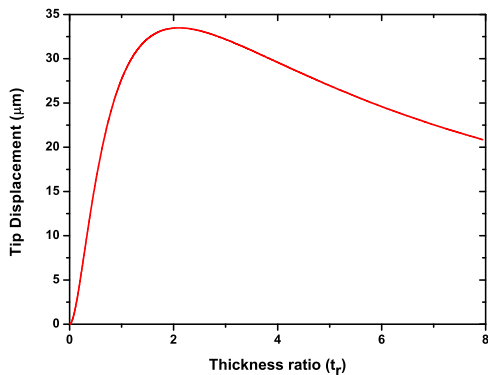


Figure 15: Tip displacement of cantilevered Galfenol-Aluminium unimorph



# Bending Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

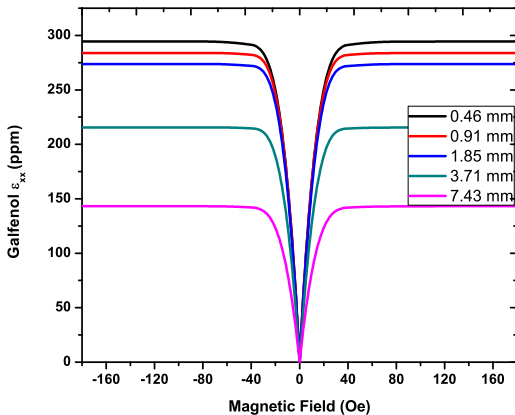


Figure 16: Free strain ( $\epsilon_{xx}$ ) on Galfenol surface

# Bending Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

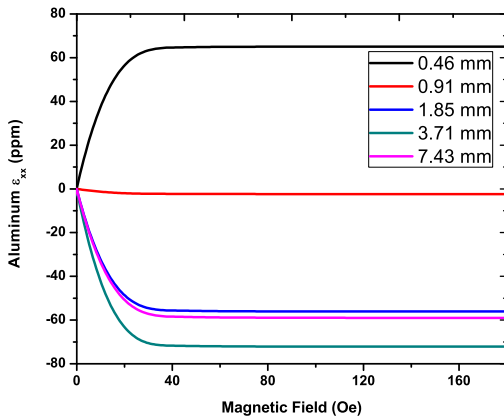


Figure 17: Free strain ( $\epsilon_{xx}$ ) on aluminum surface

# Bending Actuator Characteristics (cont.)

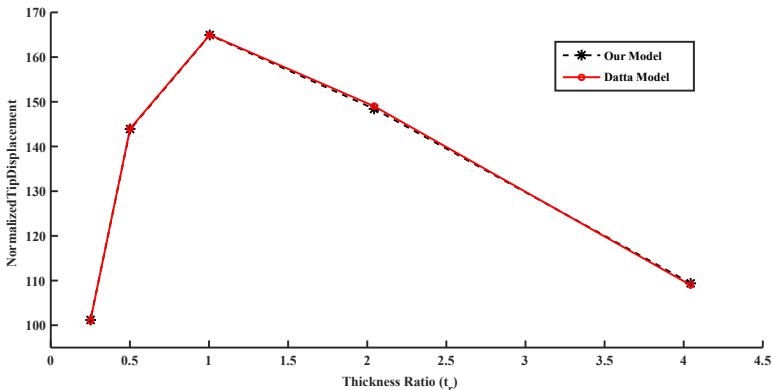


Figure 18: Comparison of normalized tip displacement as predicted by our model and Datta et al. (2008)

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