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Nonlinear vibration and dynamic stability analysis of rotor-blade system with nonlinear supports

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Abstract A dynamic model of a rotor-blade system is established considering the effect of nonlinear supports at both ends. In the proposed model, the shaft is modeled as a rotating beam where the gyroscopic effect is considered, while the shear deformation is ignored. The blades are modeled as Euler–Bernoulli beams where the centrifugal stiffening effect is considered. The equations of motion of the system are derived by Hamilton principle, and then, Coleman and complex transformations are adopted to obtain the reduced-order system. The nonlinear vibration and stability of the system are studied by multiple scales method. The influences of the normal rubbing force, friction coefficient, damping and support stiffness on the response of the rotor-blade system are investigated. The results show that the original hardening type of nonlinearity may be enhanced or transformed into softening type due to the positive or negative nonlinear stiffness terms of the bearing. Compared with the system with higher support stiffness, the damping of the bearing has a more powerful effect on the system stability under lower support stiffness. With the increase in rubbing force and support stiffness, the jump-down frequency, resonant peak and the frequency range in which the system has unstable responses increase.

Keywords Main resonances · Rotor-blade system · Stability · Nonlinear vibration

Nomenclature

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1 Introduction

Rotating systems including shaft, blade and bearing assembly are usually used in many engineering machineries, such as compressors, turbines and aero-engines . As they become more flexible, high-amplitude vibration or even unstable dynamic behavior may happen. So, the investigation on dynamic characteristics and stability of rotor-blade system is necessary. Considering the geometrical nonlinearity, Khadem et al. [\[1\]](#page-26-0) adopted multiple scales method to study the free and forced vibrations of the simply supported rotating shaft under the conditions of primary resonances. They also investigated the resonances of a simply supported spinning shaft modeled as an in-extensional rotating beam with large amplitudes and discussed the influences of mass eccentricity and external damping on the steady-state response of the shaft based on harmonic balance method [\[2\]](#page-26-1). Shahgholi and Khadem [\[3](#page-26-2)] investigated the main and parametric resonances of an asymmetric rotating shaft with speed fluctuations.

Obviously, not only the dynamics of the rotating shaft, but also the vibration responses of the rotor-blade system should be investigated to consider the coupling effects of the blades or the bladed disk and shaft. The shaft–bladed disk model, where the bearing is assumed to be rigid or a linear spring model with viscous damping, is widely used to study the coupling vibration of the blades and rotor $[4-14]$ $[4-14]$. Chiu and Chen $[4]$ investigated the influence of shaft-torsion and blade-bending vibrations on the coupling nonlinear vibrations of a multi-disk rotor system. By analyzing the natural frequencies and the mode shapes of the system, they revealed that the natural frequencies were affected by disk distance and that the instability depended on the number of disks. Chiu and Huang [\[5](#page-26-5)] studied the coupling vibrations among the shaft-torsion, disk-transverse and blade bending of a rotor system with a mistuned blade. Considering the centrifugal stiffening and spin softening effects of the blades, the lateral-torsional vibrations and gyroscopic effect of the shaft, Ma et al. [\[6\]](#page-26-6) proposed a mathematical model of rotor-blade systems. Genta et al. [\[7](#page-26-7)] developed annular finite elements to compute the second- and higher-order harmonics modes of rotating bladed disks. Considering the effects of mass eccentricity, Diken and Alnefair [\[8\]](#page-26-8) discussed the vibration responses of a rotor-blade system. The results showed that rotor acceleration can excite the blade's vibration with rotor's natural frequency at critical speed and the modal behaviors of the blades were different at the subcritical, supercritical and critical speeds of the rotor. Using Lagrange equation, Wang et al. [\[9](#page-26-9)] established a time-dependent nonlinear model of a flexible blade-rotor-bearing system and addressed the nonlinear behavior of the rotor-bearing system with the interaction between the blades and the rotor. Assuming the blades as Euler–Bernoulli beams, Santos et al. [\[10](#page-26-10)] contributed to the investigation of rotor-blades dynamic interaction, theoretically and experimentally. They carried out experiments of the rotor system at different angular velocities and verified the theoretical results. Using nonlinear bearings and a Jeffcott rotor with a number of planar blades, Najafi et al. [\[11](#page-26-11)[–13](#page-26-12)] studied the nonlinear behavior of blade disk systems and discussed the damping effects on the bifurcation phenomenon of the system. Based on Floquet theory, Sanches et al. [\[14\]](#page-26-4) predicted the bifurcation positions of the bladed rotor used in helicopters and described the instability zones under different conditions. Considering the rigid body displacement and the flexible displacement of the casing, Parent and Thouverez [\[15](#page-26-13)] studied the dynamic stability of a turbofan engine bearing the light contacts between fan blades and casing by reasonably simplifying an aero-engine. Considering Duffing type of nonlinear supports in rotor systems, the vibration response and bifurcation characteristics were analyzed in [\[16](#page-26-14),[17\]](#page-26-15).

Damping is a non-negligible factor which can influence the stability and bifurcation of the rotor and it can be divided into two types: external damping and internal damping. External damping, i.e., bearing damping, is not responsible for the instability of rotor-blade systems [\[18](#page-26-16)]. Internal damping, i.e., rotating damping, is caused by the friction between the rotating parts and couplings [\[19](#page-26-17)] and the structural damping of the blade and shaft [\[20\]](#page-26-18). The influences of damping on the instability of the system were discussed in Ref. [\[21\]](#page-26-19). Sorge et al. [\[22\]](#page-26-20) investigated the influence of internal damping on the whirling motion of the rotor at supercritical range. Samantaray et al. [\[23\]](#page-26-21) studied the stability of the rotor using polynomial nonlinear internal damping. Using a simple bladed-rotor model, Genta [\[24](#page-26-22)] pointed out that the structural damping of blades could not trigger any instability at supercritical ranges. Adopting Euler–Bernoulli beam theory to model the shaft and blade, Bab et al. [\[25\]](#page-26-23) investigated the main resonances of a coupled flexible rotor with a disk and a set of flexible/rigid blades. The influences of mass eccentricity and damping on the steady response of the system were studied based on multiple scales method.

Rubbing has a great influence on the stability of the system. With respect to point or partial rubbing, the rubbing forces were regarded as periodic impulse loading. Petrov [\[26,](#page-26-24)[27](#page-26-25)] adopted nonlinear multi-harmonic rubbing force to study the response of the rotor. Sinha [\[28](#page-26-26)[,29\]](#page-26-27) presented some mathematical expressions for the pulse force, like half-sine wave pulse, rectangular pulse and so on. Turner et al. [\[30,](#page-26-28)[31](#page-26-29)] also adopted half-sine wave pulse force to analyze the blade-casing rubbing. To simulate blade-casing rubbing, two kinds of pulse load functions were adopted by Kou and Yuan [\[32\]](#page-26-30): sine pulse function and continuous sine function. Ma et al. [\[33\]](#page-26-31) focused on determining the maximal normal rubbing force under blade-elastic-casing rubbing. Rubbing caused by blade off was studied in Refs. [\[34](#page-27-0)[–36\]](#page-27-1).

The studies listed above show that in some references, the shaft was commonly assumed as a simply supported rotating beam without considering the stiffness or the damping of the bearing $[1-3,25]$ $[1-3,25]$ $[1-3,25]$. In practice, the stiffness and the damping of the bearing change with the rotating speed, and they have a significant influence on the instability region of the system. This paper mainly focuses on the following aspects:

- (1) The Duffing type of nonlinear support [\[11](#page-26-11)[,16](#page-26-14),[17\]](#page-26-15) is introduced to describe the effect of the bearing on the mode shapes and critical speeds of the rotor. Furthermore, the nonlinearity type, response amplitudes and jump-down frequencies of the system under different support stiffness and Duffing term coefficients are obtained. In addition, the influence of the damping of the bearing and rotor on the stability of the system under different support stiffness is discussed.
- (2) The local intermittent blade-casing rubbing is considered; especially, the influences of normal rubbing force and friction coefficient on the response amplitudes and the instability regions are discussed. The analytical solution is also verified by the numerical solution obtained from Runge–Kutta method.

2 Equations of motion

A rotor-blade system including a slender spinning shaft, a rigid disk located at $x = x_d$ position of the shaft and a set of blades with stagger angle γ is taken as the research object, as shown in Fig. [1.](#page-4-0) The following coordinate systems are adopted to analyze the dynamics of the rotor-blade system:

- (1) The frame $X Y Z$ is a fixed inertial coordinate system, where X axis is along the direction of the neutral axis of the undeformed shaft.
- (2) The frame $x y z$ is a dynamic local coordinate system corresponding to the principle axes of the cross section of the deformed shaft.
- (3) The frame $x_b y_b z_b$ is a dynamic local coordinate system of blades, in which x_b , y_b and z_b are along the chordwise, flapwise and radial directions, respectively.

Fig. 1 Schematic of the rotor-blade **system**

The bearings are regarded as the nonlinear supports in *Y* and *Z* directions, and the displacement in *X* direction at the left end of the shaft is constrained, so is the torsional displacement, which means $k_{\phi} = \infty$. There is no constraint at the right end in *X* direction. For simplicity, let $c_{bz1} = c_{bz2} = c_{byl} = c_{byl} = c_{bz2} = c_{bnormal}$

2.1 The energies of the spinning shaft

The displacements at arbitrary location of the shaft along the *X*, *Y* and *Z* axes are denoted by variables $u(x, t)$, $v(x, t)$ and $w(x, t)$, respectively. The transformation from inertial coordinate system $X - Y - Z$ to the local coordinate system $x - y - z$ is expressed by three Euler angles $\psi(x, t)$, $\theta(x, t)$ and $\beta(x, t)$, as shown in Fig. [2](#page-5-0) [\[1](#page-26-0)[–3\]](#page-26-2). Firstly, the inertial coordinate system $X - Y - Z$ rotates around *Y* axis at the angle of θ , reaching the position of $X_1 - Y_1 - Z_1$. After that, the frame $X_1 - Y_1 - Z_1$ rotates around X_1 axis at the angle of β , reaching the position of $X_2 - Y_2 - Z_2$. Finally, the frame $X_2 - Y_2 - Z_2$ rotates around Z_2 axis at the angle of ψ , reaching the position of $x - y - z$. It should be noted that $\psi(x, t)$ and $\theta(x, t)$ are corresponding to the bending deformation of the shaft, while $\beta(x, t)$ is the summation of torsional deformation $\phi(x, t)$ and the rigid body rotation displacement of the shaft Ω*t*, i.e.,

$$
\beta(x,t) = \Omega t + \phi(x,t) \tag{1}
$$

where Ω denotes the rotating speed of the shaft.

Therefore, the curvatures k_1, k_2, k_3 and the angular speeds around *X*, *Y* and *Z* axes ω_1 , ω_2 , ω_3 of the spinning shaft can be calculated as [\[3](#page-26-2)]:

$$
k_1 = \phi' - \psi' \sin \theta, k_2 = \psi' \cos \theta \sin \beta + \theta' \cos \beta, k_3 = \psi' \cos \theta \cos \beta - \theta' \sin \beta \tag{2}
$$

$$
\omega_1 = \beta - \dot{\psi} \sin \theta, \omega_2 = \dot{\psi} \cos \theta \sin \beta + \dot{\theta} \cos \beta, \omega_3 = \dot{\psi} \cos \theta \cos \beta - \dot{\theta} \sin \beta \tag{3}
$$

where dot and prime denote derivative with respect to *t* and *x*, respectively.

Consequently, the kinetic and potential energies of the spinning shaft can be determined as follows:

$$
T_{\text{shaff}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^l \left(m \left(\dot{u}^2 + \dot{v}^2 + \dot{w}^2 \right) + I_1 \omega_1^2 + I_2 \omega_2^2 + I_3 \omega_3^2 \right) dx \tag{4}
$$

$$
V_{\text{shaft}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^l \left(N_{11} \alpha^2 + D_{11} k_1^2 + D_{22} k_2^2 + D_{33} k_3^2 \right) dx \tag{5}
$$

where $l, m, I_1, I_2, I_3, N_{11}, \alpha, D_{11}, D_{22}$ and D_{33} are the length of the shaft, the mass per unit length, the polar mass moment of inertia, the mass moment of inertia around *y* axis, the mass moment of inertia around *z* axis, the longitudinal stiffness, the strain along the neutral axis of the shaft, torsional stiffness, the flexural stiffness about *y* axis, the flexural stiffness about *z* axis, respectively, which can be calculated as:

$$
I_1 = \int_A (y^2 + z^2) dm, I_2 = \int_A z^2 dm, I_3 = \int_A y^2 dm, D_{11}
$$

Fig. 2 Coordinates transformation using Euler angles

$$
= \int_{A} G (y^{2} + z^{2}) dA, D_{22} = \int_{A} E z^{2} dA, D_{33} = \int_{A} E y^{2} dA
$$

$$
N_{11} = \int_{A} E dA, \alpha = \sqrt{(1 + u')^{2} + v'^{2} + w'^{2}} - 1
$$
 (6)

where *A*, *E* and *G* are cross-sectional area, Young's modulus and shear modulus of the shaft.

The elastic potential energy stored in the bearings can be expressed as:

$$
V_{\text{bearing}} = \int_{0}^{z} f(z) \, \mathrm{d}z \, \delta(x) + \int_{0}^{z} f(z) \, \mathrm{d}z \, \delta(x - l) \tag{7}
$$

where $f(z)$ is the nonlinear restoring force of the bearings and $z = v + jw(j^2 = -1)$; $\delta(x)$ is Dirac delta function. If $f(z)$ is expanded using Taylor series method and truncated at the cubic nonlinear term, then $f(z) = kz + \vartheta z |z|^2$, where *k* and ϑ are the linear support stiffness and the Duffing term coefficient.

2.2 The kinetic energy of the disk with mass eccentricity

The disk is supposed to be rigid and fixed at the position $x = x_d$ of the shaft; therefore, its potential energy is zero. With mass eccentricity in *y* and *z* directions denoted by *ey* and *ez*, the kinetic energy is described as:

$$
T_{\text{disk}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(m_{\text{disk}} \left(\frac{\dot{u}^2 + \dot{v}^2 + \dot{w}^2 + (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^2 (\rho_y^2 + \rho_z^2) - 2 (\Omega + \dot{\phi})}{\left[(\rho_z \dot{v} + \rho_y \dot{w}) \sin \beta + (\rho_y \dot{v} - \rho_z \dot{w}) \cos \beta \right]} \right) \delta(x - x_d) \tag{8}
$$

where m_{disk} , I_{disk} and J_{disk} are the mass, the diametral mass moment of inertia, the polar mass moment of inertia of the disk, respectively.

2.3 The energies of the blades

At any time, the angular position of the blade depends on not only the Euler angles, but also the azimuth of the blade on the disk. Therefore, a new variable φ*i* is defined to describe the specific angular position of the *i*th blade, given by:

$$
\phi_i = \beta (x_d, t) + \vartheta_i = \Omega t + \phi (x_d, t) + \vartheta_i, \quad i = 1, ..., N_b
$$
\n(9)

where N_b is the number of blades, and ϑ_i is the azimuth angle of the *i*th blade on the disk, which is expressed as:

$$
\vartheta_i = (i-1)\frac{2\pi}{N_b}, \quad i = 1, ..., N_b
$$
\n(10)

The position vector of any point on the *i*th blade in the inertial coordinate system $X - Y - Z$ is expressed as [\[37\]](#page-27-2):

$$
\mathbf{R}_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{d} + u(x_{d}, t) \\ v(x_{d}, t) \\ w(x_{d}, t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi_{i} & -\sin \phi_{i} & 0 \\ \sin \phi_{i} & \cos \phi_{i} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \theta(x_{d}, t) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\theta(x_{d}, t) & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\psi(x_{d}, t) \\ 0 & \psi(x_{d}, t) & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \gamma & -\sin \gamma & 0 \\ \sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_{b} \\ A_{i} (s, t) + y_{b} \\ R_{d} + s \end{Bmatrix}
$$
(11)

where x_b , Λ_i , y_b , R_d and ζ are the location of the point along the flapwise direction, the vibration amplitude, the location of the point along the chordwise direction, the disk radius, the distance of the point from the blade root, respectively. The mass density, the length of the blade and the moment of cross section area about x_b axis are denoted as m' , *L* and I'_{11} . Thus, the kinetic energy of the blade is described as:

$$
T_{\text{(black)}} = \frac{1}{2}m' \int_{0}^{L} \int_{A'} \dot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} dA' dS = \frac{m'A'L}{2} (i^{2} + i^{2} + \dot{w}^{2}) + \frac{m'A'}{2} \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i}^{2} dS
$$

+ $\frac{m'A'}{2} (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^{2} \cos^{2} \gamma \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i}^{2} dS + \frac{m'I'_{1L}}{2} \cos^{2} \gamma (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^{2} + \frac{m'A'I_{3}}{2} (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^{2}$
+ $m'A'I_{3} (\dot{\psi} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \theta) + m'A' (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \int_{0}^{L} (R_{d} + \varsigma) \cos \gamma \dot{A}_{i} dS$
+ $m'A'I_{2} \sin \phi_{i} (-\dot{w} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) + \dot{w} \dot{\psi} + \dot{u} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \theta)$
+ $m'A' \sin \phi_{i} (-\dot{w} \cos \gamma \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i} dS - (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \dot{v} \cos \gamma \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i} dS$)
+ $m'A' \sin \phi_{i} \sin \gamma \int_{0}^{L} (R_{d} + \varsigma) \dot{A}_{i} \dot{\psi} dS + m'A' \sin \phi_{i} \sin \gamma \int_{0}^{L} (R_{d} + \varsigma) \theta \dot{A}_{i} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \, dS$
+ $m'A'I_{2} \cos \phi_{i} (\dot{v} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) + \dot{u} (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \psi - \dot{u} \dot{\theta})$
+ $m'A' \cos \phi_{i} (\dot{v} \cos \gamma \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i} dS - (\Omega + \dot{\phi}) \dot{w} \cos \gamma \int_{0}^{L} \dot{A}_{i} dS$)
- $m'A' \cos \phi_{i} \sin \gamma \int_{0}^{L} (R_{d} + \varsigma) \dot{A}_{$

where Γ_2 and Γ_3 in Eq. [\(12\)](#page-6-0) are given by:

$$
\Gamma_2 = \int_0^L (R_d + \varsigma) d\varsigma, \quad \Gamma_3 = \int_0^L (R_d + \varsigma)^2 d\varsigma
$$
\n(13)

Considering centrifugal stiffening, the potential energy of the blade is:

$$
V_{\text{(black)}} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI'_{11} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \Lambda_i(\varsigma, t)}{\partial \varsigma^2} \right)^2 \mathrm{d}\varsigma + \frac{1}{4} m' A' \Omega^2 \int_0^L \left(L^2 + 2R_{\mathrm{d}} L - 2R_{\mathrm{d}} \varsigma - \varsigma^2 \right) \left(\frac{\partial \Lambda_i(\varsigma, t)}{\partial \varsigma} \right)^2 \mathrm{d}\varsigma \tag{14}
$$

Thus, the total kinetic and potential energies of all the blades are:

$$
T_{\text{blades}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{b}}} T_{\text{(blade)}_i}, V_{\text{blades}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{b}}} V_{\text{(blade)}_i}
$$
(15)

Fig. 3 Schematic of rubbing between rotor and casing

2.4 Work done by rubbing force

This study assumes that the rubbing between the blade tip and the casing results from the misalignment between the rotor and the casing (see Fig. [3\)](#page-7-0). In the figure, O_1 , O_2 , O'_2 , R_0 , β_c , u_c and r_g are the center of rotating blade, the center of static casing, the center of rubbed casing, the radius of the casing, the contact angle, the displacement of the casing and the radius of the blade tip orbit, respectively. Under the influence of centrifugal force and rotor whirl, the trajectory of blade tip denoted by red dotted line overlaps the static casing position denoted by blue dotted line. At this moment, the partial rubbing between the blade tip and the casing occurs. The casing position after rubbing is denoted by black solid line. According to Refs. [\[33](#page-26-31)[,38](#page-27-3)], the normal rubbing force can be expressed as follows:

$$
F_{\rm n} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \le t \le t_0, t_{\rm c} + t_0 \le t \le t_{\rm p} \\ -F_{\rm n \, max} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{t_{\rm c}} \left(t - t_0\right)\right) t_0 \le t \le t_{\rm c} + t_0 \end{cases} \tag{16}
$$

where F_{nnax} , t_c , t_p , t_0 are the amplitude of normal rubbing force, the contact time, the rotating period and the start time of the rubbing; t_c and β_c are expressed as follows:

$$
t_{\rm c} = \frac{60\beta_{\rm c}}{2\pi\Omega}, \beta_{\rm c} = 2\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{R_0^2 + (R_0 + \delta - r_{\rm g})^2 - r_{\rm g}^2}{2R_0\left(R_0 + \delta - r_{\rm g}\right)}\right) \tag{17}
$$

The information on the calculation of normal rubbing force is introduced in detail in Ref. [\[33\]](#page-26-31). The tangential rubbing force at *i*th blade tip is denoted by F_{ti} and $F_{ti} = \mu F_{ni}$, where μ is the friction coefficient. The normal and tangential rubbing forces applied to the system are shown in Fig. [4a](#page-8-0). Furthermore, similar to Fig. [7](#page-13-0) of Ref. [\[37\]](#page-27-2), F_{ti} can be decomposed along x_b and y_b directions, i.e., $F_{tvi} = F_{ti} \cos \gamma$, $F_{t}xi = F_{ti} \sin \gamma$ (see Fig. [4b](#page-8-0)). Here, γ is the stagger angle of the blade. The work done by the rubbing force is expressed as:

$$
W_{F_{ni}} = \mu F_{ni} \Lambda_i(L, t) \cos \gamma - \mu F_{ni} (R_d + L) \phi_i \delta (x - x_d)
$$

+
$$
F_{ni} ((-\cos \phi_i + \mu \sin \phi_i) v + (-\sin \phi_i - \mu \cos \phi_i) w) \delta (x - x_d)
$$
(18)

2.5 Equations of motion

One of the supports (right support) is movable along the longitudinal axis (see Fig. [1\)](#page-4-0). As a result, the rotating shaft is in-extensional and the strain along the neutral axis of the shaft can be ignored. Therefore, one may obtain

$$
u' = \sqrt{1 - v'^2 - w'^2} - 1 = -\frac{1}{2} (v'^2 + w'^2) + \cdots
$$
 (19)

Fig. 4 Schematic of forces on the rotor-blade system: **a** normal and tangential rubbing forces, **b** decomposition of tangential rubbing force

The angles ψ , θ and ϕ can be calculated as follows [\[1](#page-26-0)[–3](#page-26-2),[25\]](#page-26-23):

$$
\psi = \sin^{-1} \frac{v'}{\sqrt{(1+u')^2 + v'^2}}, \quad \theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{-w'}{\sqrt{(1+u')^2 + v'^2 + w'^2}}
$$
(20)

$$
\phi = -\int_0^x v''w'dx + \cdots \tag{21}
$$

To obtain the nonlinear equations of motion, Hamilton principle is introduced:

$$
\delta \int_0^t (T - V + W) dt = 0 \tag{22}
$$

where T , V , W , t and δ are the total kinetic energy, total potential energy of rotor-blade system, the work done by rubbing force, the time and variational operator, respectively. The expressions are as follows:

$$
T = T_{\text{shaft}} + T_{\text{blades}} + T_{\text{disk}}, V = V_{\text{shaft}} + V_{\text{blades}} + V_{\text{bearing}}, W = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{b}}} W_{F_{ni}} \tag{23}
$$

Substituting Eq. (23) into Eq. (22) , the equations of motion are obtained as:

$$
\left[m'A' \ddot{A}_i + c_{\text{black}} \dot{A}_i + EI'_1 \frac{\partial^4 A_i}{\partial s^4} \right] + \left[m'A' (R_d + s) (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^2 \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial s} - m'A' (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^2 \cos^2 \gamma A_i \right]
$$

+ $m'A' (R_d + s) \ddot{\phi} - \frac{m'A'}{2} (\Omega + \dot{\phi})^2 ((R_d + L)^2 - (R_d + s)^2) \frac{\partial^2 A_i}{\partial s^2} \right] + \left[-\mu F_{ni} \cos \gamma \delta (s - L) \right]$
+ $\delta (x - x_d) [m'A' \ddot{v} \cos \phi_i \cos \gamma - m'A' \ddot{w} \sin \phi_i \cos \gamma] = 0$

$$
\left[m \left(\ddot{v} + \frac{v'}{2} \int_0^x \left(\dot{v}'^2 + \ddot{v}' v' + \dot{w}'^2 + \ddot{w}' w' \right) dx + \frac{v''}{2} \int_i^x \int_0^x \left(\dot{v}'^2 + \ddot{v}' v' + \dot{w}'^2 + \ddot{w}' w' \right) dx dx \right) + c \dot{v} \right]
$$

- $I_1 \Omega \dot{w}'' - I_2 \ddot{v}'' + D_{22} \left(v'^2 v^{(IV)} + v' w^{(IV)} w' + 3 w''' w'' w' + v'' w''^2 + v''^3 + w''' v'' w' + 4 v' v'' v''' \right) \right]$
+
$$
\left[m_{disk} \delta (x - x_d) \left(\ddot{v} + \frac{v'}{2} \int_0^{x_d} \left(\dot{v}'^2 + \ddot{v}' v' + \dot{w}'^2 + \ddot{w}' w' \right) dx + \frac{v''}{2} \int_i^{x_d} \int_0^{x_d} \left(\dot{v}'^2 + \ddot{v}' v' + \dot{w}'^2 + \ddot{w}' w' \right) dx dx \right) \right]
$$

+
$$
\left[m_{disk} \delta (x - x_d) \left(\ddot{v} + \frac{v'}{2} \int_0^{x_d} \left(\dot{v}'^2 + \ddot{v}' v' + \dot{w}'^2 + \
$$

$$
+\left[\left(kv+\vartheta v(v^{2}+w^{2})\right)(\delta x+\delta(x-L)) + c_{\text{bearing}}\dot{\delta x} + c_{\text{bearing}}\dot{\delta x}(-L)\right] -\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_{b}}F_{ni}(-\cos\phi_{i}+\mu\sin\phi_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{b}}\mu F_{ni}\left(R_{d}+L\right)\int_{0}^{x_{d}}w''dx\right)\delta\left(x-x_{d}\right)\right] = 0
$$
(25)

$$
\left[\begin{array}{l}m\left(\ddot{w}+\frac{w'}{2}\int_{0}^{x}\left(\dot{v}^{2}+\ddot{v}'v'+\dot{w}^{2}+\ddot{w}'w'\right)dx+\frac{w''}{2}\int_{i}^{x}\int_{0}^{x}\left(\dot{v}^{2}+\ddot{v}'v'+\dot{w}^{2}+\ddot{w}'w'\right)dxdx\right)+c\dot{w} \\ +I_{1}\Omega\dot{v}''-I_{2}\ddot{w}''+D_{22}\left(w''v''^{2}+w^{(IV)}+v'v'''w''+3w'v''v'''+w'v'v^{(IV)}+w'^{2}w^{(IV)}+w''^{3}+4w'w''w'''\right)\right]\right] +\left[\begin{array}{l}m_{\text{disk}}\delta\left(x-x_{\text{d}}\right)\left(\ddot{w}+\frac{w'}{2}\int_{0}^{x_{\text{d}}}\left(\dot{v}^{2}+\ddot{v}'v'+\dot{w}^{2}+\ddot{w}'w'\right)dx+\frac{w''}{2}\int_{i}^{x_{\text{d}}}\int_{0}^{x_{\text{d}}}\left(\dot{v}^{2}+\ddot{v}'v'+\dot{w}^{2}+\ddot{w}'w'\right)dx\right)\right] \\ +J_{\text{disk}}\Omega\dot{v}''\delta\left(x-x_{\text{d}}\right)-I_{\text{disk}}\ddot{w}''\delta\left(x-x_{\text{d}}\right)-m_{\text{disk}}\delta\delta\left(x-x_{\text{d}}\right)\Omega^{2}\left(e_{z}\sin\Omega t+e_{y}\cos\Omega t\right) \\ +\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_{b}}\left(\begin{array}{l}m'A'L\ddot{w}-m'A'T_{3}\left((\Omega+\dot{\phi})\dot{v}'\right)' +m'A'\sin
$$

It should be noted that Eq. [\(24\)](#page-8-3) expresses the equation of motion of the *i*th blade, while Eqs. [\(25\)](#page-8-3)–[\(26\)](#page-8-3) describe the equations of motion of the shaft in *Y* and *Z* directions. In order to facilitate the understanding for readers, the terms are classified into some groups marked by brackets based on their characteristics. For Eq. [\(24\)](#page-8-3), the terms are divided into four groups which are corresponding to the blade structure, the influence of rotor torsional displacement, the impact of rubbing force and the effect of rotor translational displacement on the *i*th blade's vibration, respectively. For Eqs. (25) – (26) , the terms are divided into five groups that are corresponding to the rotor structure, the influence of the mass, the mass moment of inertia and mass eccentricity of the disk, the effect of the vibration of blades, the effect of the bearings at both ends of the shaft and the impact of rubbing force on the lateral vibration of the rotor, respectively.

In addition, the damping forces $c_{\text{black}}\dot{A}_i$, $c\dot{v}$, $c\dot{w}$, $c_{\text{learning}}\dot{v}$ and $c_{\text{learning}}\dot{w}$ are attached to Eqs. [\(24\)](#page-8-3)–[\(26\)](#page-8-3), where c_{black} and *c* are damping coefficients of the blade and shaft.

3 Transformations and non-dimensionalization

It is quite sophisticated and even impossible adopting analytical method to solve the large number of coupled equations. With the aim of reducing the number of equations of motion, the Coleman transformation is adopted in which two parameters ξ and η are brought in as [\[14](#page-26-4)]:

$$
\xi = -\frac{2}{N_b} \sum_{i=1}^{N_b} \Lambda_i(\varsigma, t) \cos \phi_i, \eta = -\frac{2}{N_b} \sum_{i=1}^{N_b} \Lambda_i(\varsigma, t) \sin \phi_i \tag{27}
$$

In order to make further efforts for dimensional reduction, the equations are transformed to complex plane by the following parameters:

$$
p = \xi - j\eta, z = v + jw, \bar{p} = \xi + j\eta, \bar{z} = v - jw
$$
 (28)

Through these transformations, the system with $2 + N_b$ degrees of freedom is switched to that with two degrees of freedom. The equations of motion are given by:

$$
\left[m'A'\ddot{p} + c_{\text{black}}\dot{p} + EI'_{11}\frac{\partial^4 p}{\partial \zeta^4}\right] + \left[m'A'(R_d + \zeta)\left(\Omega + \dot{\phi}\right)^2 \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial \zeta} + m'A'\left(\Omega + \dot{\phi}\right)^2 p \sin^2 \gamma
$$

+2m'A'\jmath\left(\Omega + \dot{\phi}\right)\dot{p} + c_{\text{black}}\left(\Omega + \dot{\phi}\right)\dot{p} + m'A'\ddot{\phi}\dot{p} - \frac{m'A'}{2}\left(\Omega + \dot{\phi}\right)^2 \left((R_d + L)^2 - (R_d + \zeta)^2\right)\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial \zeta^2}\right]

$$
+\left[\frac{2}{N_b}\mu\cos\gamma\delta\left(\zeta-L\right)\sum_{i=1}^{N_b}F_{ni}e^{-j\phi_i}\right]+\delta\left(x-x_d\right)\left[m'A'z\cos\gamma\right]=0
$$
\n
$$
\begin{bmatrix}\nm\left(\ddot{z}+\frac{z'}{2}\int_0^x\left(2\dot{z}'\dot{\bar{z}}'+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}'\right)dx+\frac{z''}{2}\int_l^x\int_0^x\left(2\dot{z}'\dot{\bar{z}}'+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}'\right)dx\right)+c\dot{z}+jI_1\Omega\dot{z}''-I_2\ddot{z}''\\+D_{22}\left(z^{(IV)}+2z''z'\dot{z}'''+\frac{1}{2}z''\bar{z}'z'''+\frac{3}{2}\bar{z}''z'z'''+\bar{z}''z''^2+\frac{1}{2}z^{(IV)}\bar{z}'z'+\frac{1}{2}z^{(IV)}z'^2\right)\right]
$$
\n
$$
+\delta\left(x-x_d\right)\left[\begin{array}{cc}\n(m\ddot{a}ik+m'A'LN_b)\left(\ddot{z}+\frac{z'}{2}\int_0^{x_d}\left(2\dot{z}'\dot{\bar{z}}'+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}'\right)dx+\frac{z''}{2}\int_l^{x_d}\int_0^{x_d}\left(2\dot{z}'\dot{\bar{z}}'+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}'+\ddot{z}'\dot{z}'\right)dx\right)\\+j\Omega\left(Jdisk+m'A'N_b\Gamma_3\right)\dot{z}''-\left(Jdisk+\frac{m'A'N_b\Gamma_3}{2}\right)\ddot{z}''-m\ddot{a}sk\Omega^2\left(\dot{z}e_z+e_y\right)e^{j\Omega t}\\+\left[\frac{m'A'N_b\cos\gamma\delta\left(x-x_d\right)}{2}\int_0^L\ddot{p}d\zeta\right]+\left[\left(kz+\vartheta z|z|^2\right)\left(\delta x+\delta(x-L)\right)+c_{\text{benring}}\dot{z}\delta x+c_{\text{benring}}\dot{z}\delta(x-L)\right]\right]
$$
\n
$$
+\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_b}F_{ni}\left(1+j\mu\right)e^{j
$$

The solution of small parameter domain is obtained from multiple scales method. By non-dimensionalization, the numerical differences of the response amplitudes at different scales are greatly reduced and the morbid problem in computing can be avoided. In order to improve the calculation accuracy, the following dimensionless parameters are employed:

$$
z^* = \frac{z}{l}, e_y^* = \frac{e_y}{l}, e_z^* = \frac{e_z}{l}, x^* = \frac{x}{l}, x^* = \frac{x_d}{l}, I_1^* = \frac{I_1}{ml^2}, I_2^* = \frac{I_2}{ml^2}, \Omega^* = \sqrt{\frac{ml^4}{D}}\Omega, t^*
$$

\n
$$
= \sqrt{\frac{D}{ml^4}t}, k^* = \frac{kl^3}{D}
$$

\n
$$
c_{\text{black}}^* = \frac{c_{\text{black}}}{m'A'} \sqrt{\frac{ml^4}{D}}, c^* = \frac{cl^2}{\sqrt{mD}}, r^* = \frac{ml^2}{m'A'L^2}, s^* = \frac{S}{L}, R_d^* = \frac{R_d}{L}, A_i^* = \frac{A_i}{L}, I'_{11^*}
$$

\n
$$
= \frac{EI'_{11}ml^4}{m'A'DL^4}, m_{\text{disk}}^* = \frac{m_{\text{disk}}}{ml}
$$

\n
$$
m_r = \frac{m_{\text{disk}} + m'A'LN_b}{ml}, J_r = \frac{J_{\text{disk}} + m'A'N_bT_3}{mI^3}, I_r = \frac{I_{\text{disk}} + \frac{m'A'N_bT_3}{mI^3}}{mI^3}, F_{ni}^* = \frac{l^2F_{ni}}{D}, m_{r2} = \frac{m'A'N_b}{2ml}
$$

\n
$$
l^* = \frac{l}{L}, L^* = \frac{l}{l}, c_{\text{learning}}^* = \frac{c_{\text{learning}}l^2}{\sqrt{mD}}, \vartheta^* = \frac{\vartheta l^5}{D}
$$

\n(31)

It should be noted that e_y^*, e_z^* and F_{ni}^* are of order ε^3 , and c_{blade}^* , c^* and c_{bearing}^* are of order ε^2 where ε is a small dimensionless parameter. Substituting Eq. [\(31\)](#page-10-0) into Eqs. [\(24\)](#page-8-3)–[\(26\)](#page-8-3), the dimensionless equations of motion are expressed as:

$$
\left[\ddot{p}^{*} + c_{\text{black}}^{*}\varepsilon^{2}\dot{p}^{*} + I_{11}^{\prime}{}^{*}\frac{\partial^{4}p^{*}}{\partial s^{*4}}\right] + \left[\left(R_{d}^{*} + s^{*}\right)\left(\Omega^{*} + \dot{\phi}^{*}\right)^{2}\frac{\partial p^{*}}{\partial s^{*}} + \left(\Omega^{*} + \dot{\phi}^{*}\right)^{2}p^{*}\sin^{2}\gamma\right] \n+ 2\left(\Omega^{*} + \dot{\phi}^{*}\right)\dot{p}^{*} + c_{\text{black}}^{*}\varepsilon^{2}\left(\Omega^{*} + \dot{\phi}^{*}\right)\dot{p}^{*} + \dot{y}\ddot{\phi}p^{*} - \frac{\left(\Omega^{*} + \dot{\phi}^{*}\right)^{2}}{2}\left(\left(R_{d}^{*} + 1\right)^{2} - \left(R_{d}^{*} + s^{*}\right)^{2}\right)\frac{\partial^{2}p^{*}}{\partial s^{*2}}\right] \n+ \left[\frac{2\varepsilon^{3}}{N_{b}}\mu\cos\gamma\delta\left(s^{*} - 1\right)\sum_{i=1}^{N_{b}}F_{n}^{*}r^{*}e^{-j\phi_{i}}\right] + \ddot{z}^{*}\cos\gamma\delta\left(x^{*} - x_{d}^{*}\right) = 0
$$
\n(32)\n
$$
\left[\left(\ddot{z}^{*} + \frac{z^{*}}{2}\int_{0}^{x^{*}}\left(2\dot{z}^{\prime*}\dot{\bar{z}}^{\prime*} + \ddot{z}^{\prime*}z^{\prime*} + \ddot{z}^{\prime*}z^{\prime*}\right)dx^{*} + \frac{z^{''}}{2}\int_{1}^{x^{*}}\int_{0}^{x^{*}}\left(2\dot{z}^{\prime*}\dot{\bar{z}}^{\prime*} + \ddot{z}^{\prime*}z^{\prime*}\right)dx^{*}dx^{*}\right) \right] + \varepsilon^{2}c^{*}\dot{z}^{*} + jI_{1}^{*}\Omega^{*}\dot{z}^{\prime*} - I_{2}^{*}\ddot{z}^{\prime*} + \frac{z^{''}}{2}\dot{z}^{\prime*}z^{\prime\prime*} + \frac{3}{2}\overline{z}^{\prime*}z^{\prime\prime*} + \frac{3
$$

$$
+\left(z^{(IV)^*} + 2z''^{*}z''^{*} + \frac{1}{2}z''^{*}z''^{*} + \frac{3}{2}\bar{z}''^{*}z''^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}z''^{*} + \frac{1}{2}z^{*IV}\bar{z}''^{*} + \frac{1}{2}z^{(IV)^*}z'^{*} + \frac{1}{2}z^{(IV)^*}z'^{*}^{2}\right) + \left[\begin{array}{c} m_{\rm r}\delta\left(x^{*} - x_{\rm d}^{*}\right)\left(\bar{z}^{*} + \frac{z'^{*}}{2}\int_{0}^{x_{\rm d}}\left(2\bar{z}'^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}'^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}z''^{*}\right)dx^{*} + \frac{z''}{2}\int_{1}^{x_{\rm d}^{*}}\int_{0}^{x_{\rm d}^{*}}\left(2\bar{z}'^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}z^{*}\right)dx^{*} + \frac{z''}{2}\int_{1}^{x_{\rm d}^{*}}\int_{0}^{x_{\rm d}^{*}}\left(2\bar{z}'^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}\bar{z}'^{*} + \bar{z}''^{*}z^{*}\right)dx^{*}dx^{*}\right) \right] + \left[m_{\rm r2}\cos\gamma\delta\left(x^{*} - x_{\rm d}^{*}\right)\int_{0}^{1}\vec{p}\,\mathrm{d}\varsigma\right] + \left[\left(k^{*}z^{*} + \vartheta^{*}z^{*}\left|z^{*}\right|^{2}\right)\left(\delta x^{*} + \delta(x^{*} - 1)\right) + c_{\rm bearing}^{*}\varepsilon^{2}\dot{z}^{*}\delta x^{*} + c_{\rm bearing}^{*}\varepsilon^{2}\dot{z}^{*}\delta(x^{*} - 1)\right] \right] + \left[\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\rm b}}F_{\rm n}^{*}\varepsilon^{3}\left(1 + j\mu\right)e^{j\phi_{i}}\delta(x^{*} - x_{\rm d}^{*}) + j\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\rm b}}F_{\rm n}^{*}\varepsilon^{3}L^{*}\mu\left(R_{d}^{*} + 1\right)\int_{
$$

4 Solution methodology

To solve the nonlinear equations of motion, the perturbation techniques are widely used, especially the multiple scales method, which is applied to solve the equations of motion in the following sections.

4.1 Linear mode shapes of the shaft with nonlinear supports

The support stiffness and the bladed disk clamped on the shaft have some influences on the linear mode shapes and critical speeds of the shaft, but they have been ignored by many researchers. Considering the parameters of the bladed disk and the supports at both ends, the mode shapes of rotating shaft at different speeds are solved. In this section, the bladed disk is regarded as a lumped point with mass m_D , the polar mass moment of inertia J_p and the diametral mass moment of inertia J_d . It is obvious that $m_D = m_{disk} + N_b m' A' L$, $J_p = J_{disk} + N_b m' A' \Gamma_3$ and $J_d = J_p/2$. The shaft is regarded as a Timoshenko beam with nonlinear supports at both ends (see Fig. [5\)](#page-11-0), and l_1 , l_2 are the distances of the disk to the left and right end, $l_1 = x_d$ and $l_2 = l - x_d$. The angular displacements around *Y* and *Z* axes are denoted by θ_{vi} and θ_{zi} , and $\theta_i = \theta_{vi} + j\theta_{zi}$ ($i = 1, 2$). The differential equation of the shaft's free vibration at rotating speed Ω is [\[39](#page-27-4)]:

$$
\frac{\partial^4 z_i}{\partial x^4} - \frac{\rho}{E} \left(1 + \frac{E}{\kappa G} \right) \frac{\partial^4 z_i}{\partial x^2 \partial t^2} + \frac{2j\Omega\rho}{E} \frac{\partial^3 z_i}{\partial x^2 \partial t} + \frac{\rho A}{E I_8} \frac{\partial^2 z_i}{\partial t^2} - \frac{2j\Omega\rho^2}{E \kappa G} \frac{\partial^3 z_i}{\partial t^3} + \frac{\rho^2}{E \kappa G} \frac{\partial^4 z_i}{\partial t^4} = 0 \tag{34}
$$

where $i = 1, 2; x_i \in [0, l_i]$; ρ , κ and I_s denote density, the section shearing coefficient and the sectional moment of inertia of the shaft, respectively. Setting $\phi_{ni}(x)$ as piecewise mode shapes at the *n*th-order critical speeds ($n = 1, 2, \ldots$), z_i can be expressed as $z_i = \phi_{ni}(x)e^{j\omega t}$ under main resonances, where ω is the frequency of harmonic motion, then $\phi_{ni}(x)$ should satisfy:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}^4 \phi_{ni}}{\mathrm{d}x_i^4} + \frac{2r_i}{l_i^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \phi_{ni}}{\mathrm{d}x_i^2} - \frac{\lambda_i^4}{l_i^4} \phi_{ni} = 0 \tag{35}
$$

Fig. 5 Shaft with nonlinear supports and bladed disk

where

$$
\frac{2r_i}{l_i^2} = \frac{\rho}{E} \left(1 + \frac{E}{\kappa G} \right) \omega^2 - \frac{2\Omega \rho \omega}{E}
$$

$$
\frac{\lambda_i^4}{l_i^4} = \frac{\rho A}{E I_s} \omega^2 + \frac{2\Omega \rho^2 \omega^3}{E \kappa G} - \frac{\rho^2 \omega^4}{E \kappa G} \tag{36}
$$

The general solution of Eq. (35) is given by:

$$
\phi_{ni}(x) = c_{1i} \sin \alpha_{ni} x + c_{2i} \cos \alpha_{ni} x + c_{3i} \sinh \beta_{ni} x + c_{4i} \cosh \beta_{ni} x \tag{37}
$$

where c_{1i} , c_{2i} , c_{3i} , c_{4i} are the coefficients to be solved, and α_{ni} and β_{ni} should satisfy:

$$
\alpha_{ni}^2 = \frac{r_i + \sqrt{r_i^2 + \lambda_i^4}}{l_i^2}, \beta_{ni}^2 = \frac{-r_i + \sqrt{r_i^2 + \lambda_i^4}}{l_i^2}
$$
(38)

Setting $\Theta_{ni}(x)$ as the piecewise *n*th-order mode shapes of θ_i , it should satisfy:

$$
\Theta_{ni} = \frac{\left(\kappa GA + EI_s \frac{\rho \omega^2}{\kappa G}\right) \phi'_{ni} + EI_s \phi''''_{ni}}{\kappa GA - \rho I_s \omega^2 + 2\rho I_s \Omega \omega} \tag{39}
$$

The boundary conditions of nonlinear supports at both ends can be given by:

$$
\frac{\partial \Theta_{n1}}{\partial x_1}|_{x_1=0} = 0, \ -\kappa GA \left(\Theta_{n1} - \phi'_{n1}\right)|_{x_1=0} = \left(k\phi_{n1} + \vartheta \phi_{n1}^3\right)|_{x_1=0}
$$

$$
\frac{\partial \Theta_{n2}}{\partial x_2}|_{x_2=l_2} = 0, \ \kappa GA \left(\Theta_{n2} - \phi'_{n2}\right)|_{x_2=l_2} = \left(k\phi_{n2} + \vartheta \phi_{n2}^3\right)|_{x_2=l_2}
$$
(40)

The abutment conditions at x_d position can be expressed as:

$$
\phi_{n1} |_{x_1 = l_1} = \phi_{n2} |_{x_2 = 0}, \Theta_1 |_{x_1 = l_1} = \Theta_2 |_{x_2 = 0}
$$

\n
$$
\kappa GA \left(\Theta_{n2} - \phi'_{n2} \right) |_{x_2 = 0} - \kappa GA \left(\Theta_{n1} - \phi'_{n1} \right) |_{x_1 = l_1} = m_D \omega^2 \phi_{n2} |_{x_2 = 0}
$$

\n
$$
E I_s \Theta'_{n1} |_{x_1 = l_1} - E I_s \Theta'_{n2} |_{x_2 = 0} = \left(J_d \omega^2 \Theta_{n2} - J_p \Omega \omega \Theta_{n2} \right) |_{x_2 = 0}
$$
\n(41)

Under the main resonance, it can be decided that $\Omega = \omega$. Substituting Eq. [\(37\)](#page-12-0) into Eqs. [\(40\)](#page-12-1)–[\(41\)](#page-12-2), the subsection mode shapes and critical speeds of the shaft-disk-blade system can be obtained. According to the continuity condition, the integral *n*th-order mode shape of the shaft is

$$
\phi_n(x) = \begin{cases} \phi_{n1}(x) & 0 \le x \le l_1 \\ \phi_{n2}(x - l_1) & l_1 < x \le l \end{cases} \tag{42}
$$

Under the following parameters $l = 0.5952$ m, $A = 3.14 \times 10^{-4}$ m², $I_s = 7.85 \times 10^{-9}$ m⁴, $E = 2 \times 10^{11}$ Pa, $\rho = 7800 \text{ kg/m}^3$, $x_d = 0.4077 \text{ m}$, $m_D = 0.735 \text{ kg}$, $J_p = 6.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2$ and $\vartheta^* = 0$; the first two vibration mode shapes at corresponding critical speeds are shown in Fig. [6](#page-13-1) ($k = 2 \times 10^8$ N/m) and Fig. [7](#page-13-0) $(k = 2 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m})$. In order to verify the proposed method, the finite element (FE) model of the rotor-blade system is established in Nastran software, and the mode shapes and the critical speeds are computed. The critical speeds under different boundary conditions are shown in Table [1,](#page-13-2) where *f*^f and *f*^b denote forward and backward whirl mode frequencies. When the linear support stiffness is 2×10^8 N/m (see Fig. [6\)](#page-13-1), the natural frequencies and the mode shapes under spring supported condition are similar to those under simply supported conditions, but when the stiffness is 2×10^6 N/m, they are quite different (see Fig. [7\)](#page-13-0). Furthermore, in the high-order vibrations, the amplitude of the section where the disk is located is smaller. When $\vartheta^* \neq 0$, the mode shapes and the backward whirl mode frequencies determined by initial conditions and excitation amplitudes are difficult to obtain using FE method, so the validation is ignored.

Fig. 6 Mode shapes of the shaft ($k = 2 \times 10^8$ N/m, $\vartheta^* = 0$): first-order bending mode using proposed method (**a**) and FE method (**b**), second-order bending mode using proposed method (**c**) and FE method (**d**)

Fig. 7 Mode shapes of the shaft ($k = 2 \times 10^6$ N/m, $\vartheta^* = 0$): first-order bending mode using proposed method (**a**) and FE method (**b**), second-order bending mode using proposed method (**c**) and FE method (**d**)

Table 1 Critical speeds under different boundary conditions ($\vartheta^* = 0$)

Boundary condition Stiffness $k(N/m)$		First-order critical speed (Rad/s)				Second-order critical speed (Rad/s)			
		Proposed method		FE method		Proposed method		FE method	
				Ťf	$\tau_{\rm h}$		ŤЬ		Th
Spring supported	2×10^6	490.29	-487.63				$491.91 - 488.52$ $1835.10 - 1796.22$ $1836.28 - 1795.45$		
Spring supported	2×10^8	523.65	-518.95	523.34			-518.48 2265.93 -2190.57 2261.72 -2189.84		
Simply supported			$526.83 - 521.77$				$526.01 - 521.43$ $2315.76 - 2198.33$ $2312.92 - 2194.23$		

4.2 The multiple scales solution

 $p^*(\varsigma^*, t)$ and $z^*(x^*, t)$ can be expanded as [\[2](#page-26-1)]:

$$
p^*(\varsigma^*, t) = \varepsilon p_1(\varsigma^*, T_0, T_2) + \varepsilon^3 p_3(\varsigma^*, T_0, T_2) + \cdots
$$

$$
z^*(x^*, t) = \varepsilon z_1(x^*, T_0, T_2) + \varepsilon^3 z_3(x^*, T_0, T_2) + \cdots
$$
 (43)

where $T_0 = t$ and $T_2 = \varepsilon^2 t$. Using the chain rule, the derivatives with respect to *t* are transformed to partial derivatives with respect to T_0 and T_2 as:

$$
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = D_0 + \varepsilon^2 D_2 + \cdots
$$

$$
\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} = D_0^2 + 2\varepsilon^2 D_2 D_0 + \cdots
$$
 (44)

where $D_0 = \partial/\partial T_0$ and $D_2 = \partial/\partial T_2$. Substituting Eqs. [\(43\)](#page-13-3) and [\(44\)](#page-13-4) into Eqs. [\(32\)](#page-10-1) and [\(33\)](#page-10-1) and equating the coefficients of like powers of ε on both sides, the corresponding equations of the first and third hierarchies are obtained and presented in "Appendix A." Galerkin method is adopted to separate variables. The solutions of Eq. $(A.1)$ can be considered as $[25]$:

$$
z_{1}\left(x^{*}, T_{0}, T_{2}\right) = \phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right) A_{1}\left(T_{2}\right) e^{j\beta_{f} T_{0}} + \phi_{b}\left(x^{*}\right) A_{2}\left(T_{2}\right) e^{j\beta_{b} T_{0}}
$$
\n
$$
p_{1}\left(\varsigma^{*}, T_{0}, T_{2}\right) = \Theta_{f} \psi_{f}\left(\varsigma^{*}\right) A_{1}\left(T_{2}\right) e^{j\beta_{f} T_{0}} + \Theta_{b} \psi_{b}\left(\varsigma^{*}\right) A_{2}\left(T_{2}\right) e^{j\beta_{b} T_{0}}
$$
\n
$$
(45)
$$

where $A_1(T_2)$ and $A_2(T_2)$ are the complex functions to be solved, $\phi_f(x^*)$, $\phi_b(x^*)$, β_f , β_b are the forward and backward whirl mode shapes of the shaft, dimensionless forward and backward whirl mode frequencies, respectively. Θ_f and Θ_b are forward and backward mode shape coefficients for the blades, used to denote the relationship between the vibration amplitudes of the blades and the shaft; $\psi_f(\zeta^*)$ and $\psi_b(\zeta^*)$ are forward and backward mode shapes of the rotating blades. It **should be noted that** both forward and backward whirl modes are considered in Eq. [\(45\)](#page-14-0). According to the discussion in Section [4.1,](#page-11-2) the mode shapes of the shaft are given by:

$$
\phi_f(x^*) = \phi_b(x^*) = \phi_n(x^*), \quad n = 1, 2, ..., 0 \le x^* \le 1 \tag{46}
$$

Furthermore, the blades are modeled as cantilever beams and the mode shapes are expressed as:

$$
\psi_i\left(\varsigma^*\right) = \left(\sin\left(\beta_i L \varsigma^*\right) - \sinh\left(\beta_i L \varsigma^*\right)\right) - \frac{\sin\left(\beta_i L\right) + \sinh\left(\beta_i L\right)}{\cos\left(\beta_i L\right) - \cosh\left(\beta_i L \varsigma^*\right)} \left(\cos\left(\beta_i L \varsigma^*\right) - \cosh\left(\beta_i L \varsigma^*\right)\right)
$$
\n
$$
\beta_1 L = 1.8751, \, \beta_2 L = 4.6941 \cdots 0 \le \varsigma^* \le 1\tag{47}
$$

Detuning parameter $\sigma = O(1)$ is introduced to describe the proximity of Ω^* to β_f :

$$
\Omega^* = \beta_f + \varepsilon^2 \sigma \tag{48}
$$

Substituting Eqs. (45) – (48) into Eqs. $(A.3)$ and $(A.4)$ yields:

$$
D_0^2 z_3^* + m_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0^2 z_3^* + j \Omega I_1^* D_0 z^{\prime\prime}{}_{3}^* + j \Omega^* J_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0 z^{\prime\prime}{}_{3}^*
$$

\n
$$
-I_2^* D_0^2 z^{\prime\prime}{}_{3}^* - I_r D_0^2 z^{\prime\prime}{}_{3}^* \delta (x^* - x_d^*) + z_3^{IV^*}
$$

\n
$$
+ k z_3^* \delta (x^*) + k z_3^* \delta (x^* - 1) = H_{z,f}(x^*, T_2) e^{j\beta r} D_0 + H_{z,b}(x^*, T_2) e^{j\beta b} D_0 + N.S.T
$$

\n
$$
D_0^2 p_3^* + I'^*_{11} \frac{\partial^4 p_3^*}{\partial s^*} + \Omega^{*2} \sin^2 \gamma p_3^* + 2j \Omega^* D_0 p_3^* + (R_0^* + s^*) \Omega^{*2} \frac{\partial p_3^*}{\partial s^*}
$$

\n
$$
- \frac{\Omega^{*2}}{2} ((R_0^* + 1)^2 - (R_0^* + s^*)^2) \frac{\partial^2 p_3^*}{\partial s^* 2}
$$

\n
$$
+ D_0^2 z_3^* \delta (x^* - x_d^*) \cos \gamma = H_{p,f}(s^*, T_2) e^{j\beta_f T_0} + H_{p,b}(s^*, T_2) e^{j\beta_b T_0} + N.S.T
$$

\n(50)

where N.S.T stands for non-secular terms. Four secular terms are listed in "Appendix B." It should be noted that $H_{z, f}(x^*, T_2)$ and $H_{p, f}(\varsigma^*, T_2)$ include time-dependent impulse function term F_{ni}^* . Integrating Eqs. [\(B.1\)](#page-23-0) and [\(B.3\)](#page-25-0) for a full-cycle period at steady state with respect to T_0 , F_{ni}^* is converted into a stationary function about F^*_{nmaxi} , which is the maximum rubbing force on the *i*th blade. Equations [\(49\)](#page-14-2)–[\(50\)](#page-14-2) would have nontrivial solutions if and only if the solvability conditions are satisfied:

$$
\begin{vmatrix} \int_{0}^{1} \phi_{f}(x^{*}) \eta_{1} dx^{*} & \int_{0}^{1} \phi_{f}(x^{*}) H_{z,f}(x^{*}, T_{2}) dx^{*} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{f}(\zeta^{*}) \eta_{2} d\zeta^{*} & \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{f}(\zeta^{*}) H_{p,f}(\zeta^{*}, T_{2}) d\zeta^{*} \end{vmatrix} = 0
$$

$$
\begin{vmatrix} \int_{0}^{1} \phi_{b}(x^{*}) \eta_{3} dx^{*} & \int_{0}^{1} \phi_{f}(x^{*}) H_{z,b}(x^{*}, T_{2}) dx^{*} \\ \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{b}(s^{*}) \eta_{4} d s^{*} & \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{f}(s^{*}) H_{p,b}(s^{*}, T_{2}) d s^{*} \end{vmatrix} = 0
$$
\n(51)

where

$$
\eta_{1} = -m_{r2} \cos \gamma \beta_{f}^{2} \delta \left(x^{*} - x_{d}^{*}\right) \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{f}(\varsigma^{*}) d\varsigma^{*} \n\eta_{2} = \psi_{f} \left(\varsigma^{*}\right) \left(-\beta_{f}^{2} + \sin^{2} \gamma \Omega^{*^{2}} + 2\Omega^{*} \beta_{f}\right) + I_{11}^{*} \frac{d^{4} \psi_{f}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*4}} + \Omega^{*^{2}} \left(R_{d}^{*} + \varsigma^{*}\right) \frac{d\psi_{f}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*}} \n- \frac{\Omega^{*^{2}}}{2} \left(\left(R_{d}^{*} + 1\right)^{2} - \left(R_{d}^{*} + \varsigma^{*}\right)^{2}\right) \frac{d^{2} \psi_{f}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*2}} \n\eta_{3} = -m_{r2} \cos \gamma \beta_{b}^{2} \delta \left(x^{*} - x_{d}^{*}\right) \int_{0}^{1} \psi_{b}(\varsigma^{*}) d\varsigma^{*} \n\eta_{4} = \psi_{b} \left(\varsigma^{*}\right) \left(-\beta_{b}^{2} + \sin^{2} \gamma \Omega^{*^{2}} + 2\Omega^{*} \beta_{b}\right) + I_{11}^{*} \frac{d^{4} \psi_{b}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*4}} + \Omega^{*^{2}} \left(R_{d}^{*} + \varsigma^{*}\right) \frac{d\psi_{b}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*}} \n- \frac{\Omega^{*^{2}}}{2} \left(\left(R_{d}^{*} + 1\right)^{2} - \left(R_{d}^{*} + \varsigma^{*}\right)^{2}\right) \frac{d^{2} \psi_{b}(\varsigma^{*})}{d\varsigma^{*2}} \right)
$$
\n(52)

Separating the real and imaginary parts, Eq. [\(51\)](#page-14-3) is transformed to:

$$
\begin{split}\n&\text{Re}\left[\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)\eta_{1}\text{d}x^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)H_{p,b}(s^{*},T_{2})\text{d}s^{*}\right)\right. \\
&\quad-\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)\eta_{2}\text{d}s^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)H_{z,f}(x^{*},T_{2})\text{d}x^{*}\right)\right]=0 \\
&\text{Im}\left[\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)\eta_{1}\text{d}x^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)H_{p,b}(s^{*},T_{2})\text{d}s^{*}\right)\right. \\
&\quad-\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)\eta_{2}\text{d}s^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)H_{z,f}(x^{*},T_{2})\text{d}x^{*}\right)\right]=0 \\
&\text{Re}\left[\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{b}\left(x^{*}\right)\eta_{3}\text{d}x^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)H_{p,b}(s^{*},T_{2})\text{d}s^{*}\right)\right. \\
&\quad-\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{b}\left(s^{*}\right)\eta_{4}\text{d}s^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)H_{z,b}(x^{*},T_{2})\text{d}x^{*}\right)\right]=0 \\
&\text{Im}\left[\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{b}\left(x^{*}\right)\eta_{3}\text{d}x^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{f}\left(s^{*}\right)H_{p,b}(s^{*},T_{2})\text{d}s^{*}\right)\right. \\
&\quad-\left(\int_{0}^{1}\psi_{b}\left(s^{*}\right)\eta_{4}\text{d}s^{*}\right)\left(\int_{0}^{1}\phi_{f}\left(x^{*}\right)H_{z,b}(x^{*},T_{2})\text{d}x^{*}\right)\right]=0 \\
&\qquad\qquad(53)\n\end{split}
$$

Fig. 8 Schematic of rotor-blade system: **a** physical dimension, **b** Campbell diagram, **c** rubbing between blade tip and casing

Through discussing the eigenvalues of the Jacobian matrix of the left hand of Eq. [\(53\)](#page-15-0), the stability of the rotor-blade system is determined. The real parts of the eigenvalues give stability information: The solution is unstable if it has more than one (including one) positive real parts [\[15](#page-26-13)].

Using Galerkin method to separate the variables, Eqs. [\(32\)](#page-10-1) and [\(33\)](#page-10-1) are converted to ordinary differential equations which can be solved by Runge–Kutta numerical method. The results are used to verify the accuracy of the multiple scales perturbation solutions.

5 Numerical simulation

Numerical simulation is performed to analyze the nonlinear vibration and the stability of the rotor-blade system which is composed of a flexible rotating shaft with two nonlinear supports, a rigid disk clamped on the shaft and eight identical blades cantilevered on the disk(see Fig. [8a](#page-16-0)). The blade numbering is shown in Fig. [8c](#page-16-0). The blue curves depict the low-order natural frequencies of the rotor-blade system at different rotating speeds, among which the first-order forward whirl mode frequency is so close to the backward whirl mode frequency that they seem to be on one curve. The red line $(ra = 1)$ indicates that the excitation frequency is equal to the rotating frequency on this line. The frequency corresponding to the intersection point of the red line and the frequency curves is the main resonance frequency (see Fig. [8b](#page-16-0)). From Campbell diagram $(k^* = 26860)$ and $\vartheta^* = 0$, see Fig. [8b](#page-16-0)), it can be seen that only the first-order primary resonance may occur. The black dotted line represents the tip of the blade, and the blue double dot dash line represents the inner wall of the casing in Fig. [8c](#page-16-0). The overlapping of the two lines represents the occurrence of rubbing.

Due to the assembling misalignment, the gaps among the blade tips and the casing are not circularly symmetric. The values of misalignment along *Y* and *Z* directions are denoted by E_y and E_z . Based on the preconditions that $e_y^* = e_z^*$ and $E_y = E_z$, it is obvious that the rubbing force reaches the maximum value at the tip of the blade $2^{\#}$ (see Fig. [8c](#page-16-0)). According to our time-domain simulation results, only blade $2^{\#}$ rubs with the casing at steady state and $t_c \approx 0.07t_p$. For simplicity, F_{nmax2}^* is denoted by F_n^* in the following section.

Fig. 9 Frequency response curves under different Duffing term coefficients $(e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001, e_{black}^* = e_{bearing}^* = 0.2,$ $\mu = 0.1, F_n^* = 0.225, k^* = 26860$

5.1 Effects of support stiffness parameters

Figure [9](#page-17-0) illustrates the frequency response curves of the rotor-blade system under different Duffing term coefficients. When $\vartheta^* = -2.5 \times 10^7$, the original hardening-type nonlinearity is transformed into softening type because of negative nonlinear Duffing term. However, the hardening-type nonlinearity is enhanced by a wide margin due to positive nonlinear Duffing term, so is the jump-down frequency.

Generally, the multiple solutions are related to the initial conditions. For example, when $\vartheta^* = 0$, at the region around $\sigma = 0.4$, there are three possible solutions, one of which is unstable and the other two are stable, as are denoted by blue curves in Fig. [9.](#page-17-0) The trends of solutions under various initial conditions are shown in Fig. [10,](#page-18-0) where P_1 and P_3 are stable focal points, while P_2 is a saddle point. These three points are marked by solid blue dots in Fig. [9.](#page-17-0) All the initial conditions in the shaded region will lead to the stable solution *P*¹ on the lower resonant branch, while all the initial conditions in the non-shaded region will lead to the stable solution P_3 on the upper resonant branch. The arrows indicate the directions of movements; thus, the shaded area constitutes the attraction region of point *P*1, while non-shaded area constitutes the attraction region of point *P*3. As an unstable solution, point *P*² is on the border of two attraction regions and it may move toward either P_1 or P_3 after being disturbed.

Figures [11](#page-18-1) and [12](#page-19-0) depict the phase diagram of the rotor-blade system in the absence or presence of nonlinear terms for $\sigma = 0.1$ and $\vartheta^* = -2.5 \times 10^7$. Although the solutions are all stable, the trajectories of the simulation results without nonlinear terms are smooth and regular, while those with nonlinear terms are undulant.

Figure [13](#page-19-1) describes the frequency response curves of the system under different support stiffness. For $\sigma < -0.2$ and $\vartheta^* = 0$, the response amplitudes of the system under different support stiffness are very close, and for the range of $-0.2 < \sigma < 0.533$ and $\vartheta^* = 0$, the amplitudes of upper branch of the system under lower support stiffness are higher than those under higher support stiffness. With a lower jump-down frequency, it is more quick for the responses of the system to reach the resonance peak under lower support stiffness. In addition, for the system with higher support stiffness, the resonance peak and jump-down frequency are higher and the unstable range is broader.

5.2 Effects of loading parameters

Figure [14](#page-20-0) depicts the frequency response curves of rotor-blade system under different normal rubbing forces. The nonlinearity is of a hardening type without Duffing term. When the normal rubbing force is zero, the system has only one stable solution. With the slight increase in the normal rubbing force, the resonance peak and the corresponding frequency rise slightly, but the solution keeps stable. As the force approaches the value of 0.225, the bifurcation occurs, and for some values of detuning parameter, there are three solutions; one of them is unstable and marked with blue dotted line. The figure shows that the rubbing forces will reinforce the

Fig. 10 Attraction regions of different solutions ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2$, $\mu = 0.1$, $F_n^* = 0.225$, $k^* = 26860, \vartheta^* = 0$

Fig. 11 Phase diagram in the *Y*-plane ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2$, $\mu = 0.1$, $F_n^* = 0.225$, $k^* = 26860$, $\sigma = 0.1$

hardening nonlinearity, raise the formants and resonant frequencies, bring out the bifurcation and extend the unstable frequency range.

Figure [15](#page-20-1) illustrates the effect of friction coefficient on the frequency response of the system. In the range of AB, before the system approaches the jump-down frequency, the response amplitude of the system with a higher friction coefficient is slightly higher than that with lower friction coefficient, while actually they are very close. However, with a lower jump-down frequency, the amplitude of the system with lower friction coefficient no longer increases after B points. Through the BC area, the amplitude of the system with a higher friction coefficient reaches a higher resonance peak with a broader range of upper resonant branch.

Figure [16](#page-21-0) illustrates the response curves of rotor-blade system under different normal rubbing forces. Because of the characteristic of hardening-type nonlinearity, jump phenomenon does not occur when $\sigma = 0$, and the amplitude increases with the increase in rubbing forces. When $\sigma = 0.4$ and $\sigma = 0.8$ ($\vartheta^* = 0$) under

Fig. 12 Phase diagram in the *Z*-plane ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2$, $\mu = 0.1$, $F_n^* = 0.225$, $k^* = 26860$, $\sigma = 0.1$

Fig. 13 Frequency response curves under different support stiffness ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2$, $\mu = 0.1$, $F_{\rm n}^* = 0.225$

some values of normal rubbing force, there are three possible solutions with two stable and one unstable. When $0.099 < F_n^* < 0.155$, as is highlighted with light blue in Fig. [16,](#page-21-0) there are three possible solutions under $\sigma = 0.4$, with two stable, but there is only one stable solution under $\sigma = 0.8$. When $0.3319 < F_n^* < 0.9956$, as is highlighted with pale yellow in Fig. [16,](#page-21-0) there are three possible solutions under $\sigma = 0.8$, but there is only one stable solution under $\sigma = 0.4$. Therefore, the detuning parameter corresponding to the second bifurcation point is 0.8 for $F_n^* = 0.155$, while it is 0.4 for $F_n^* = 0.099$. Similarly, the detuning parameter corresponding to the first bifurcation point is 0.4 for $F_n^* = 0.3319$, while it is 0.8 for $F_n^* = 0.9956$. It is clear that the frequencies of the first and the second bifurcation points increase with the increase in normal rubbing force. For $\vartheta^* = -2.5 \times 10^7$, the system can reach the same bifurcation frequencies under a smaller rubbing force.

Figure [17](#page-21-1) depicts the steady-state responses of the rotor-blade system with different support stiffness under normal rubbing forces assuming that $c_{\text{blade}}^* = c^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2$ and $\sigma = 0.4$. When Duffing term coefficient $\vartheta^* = 0$, the system with lower support stiffness will be unstable under larger normal rubbing forces, compared with the system with higher support stiffness. Therefore, the system with lower support stiffness becomes totally stable under larger normal rubbing force. When Duffing term coefficient $\vartheta^* = 2.5 \times 10^7$, jump phenomenon does not occur for both systems.

Fig. 14 Frequency response curves of rotor-blade system under different normal rubbing forces ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c^* = 0.001$ $c^*_{\text{learning}} = 0.2, \mu = 0.1, k^* = 26860, \vartheta^* = 0$

Fig. 15 Frequency response curves under different friction coefficients $(e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001, c_{black}^* = c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2,$ $F_{\rm n}^* = 0.225, \vartheta^* = 0$

5.3 Effects of damping parameters

Figure [18](#page-22-0) depicts the response curves of the rotor-blade system with different support stiffness under different damping coefficients of the shaft. It can be seen that the system with higher support stiffness needs a larger damping coefficient to reach a complete stable state than that with lower support stiffness. However, the response amplitude of the system with smaller support stiffness is larger than that with higher support stiffness for the same damping coefficient. As the detuning parameter increases, the response amplitudes increase, but the system needs a smaller damping coefficient to reach a stable state under both conditions. In addition, small damping coefficients of the shaft may lead to unstable responses regardless of the values of support stiffness.

Figure [19](#page-22-1) depicts the response curves of the rotor-blade system with different support stiffness under different damping coefficients of the bearing. When $c_{\text{bearing}}^* \geq 0.1675$, the response of the system with smaller support stiffness is completely stable. However, the response amplitude of the system with larger support stiffness almost remains unchanged as the damping of bearing increases. It is obvious that the damping of bearing has a more powerful effect when the system is under smaller support stiffness.

Figure [20](#page-23-1) shows the trajectories of the bifurcation points of the rotor-blade system with different support stiffness under different damping coefficients of the shaft. As the damping coefficient increases, the detuning

Fig. 16 Response curves of the rotor-blade system under different normal rubbing forces $(e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001, c_{black}^* = e_z^* = 0.001)$ $c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0.2, \mu = 0.1, k^* = 26860$

Fig. 17 Response curves with different support stiffness under normal rubbing forces ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = c_{\text{learning}}^* = c_{\text{learning}}^* = 0.001$ 0.2, $\mu = 0.1, \sigma = 0.4$

parameters corresponding to the first and second bifurcation points both decrease. Obviously, the decreasing velocity of the second bifurcation point is faster than that of the first bifurcation point. Finally, the two tracks meet in one point, and the real damping equal to or greater than this value will guarantee the stability of the system. It can be seen that the lower damping may lead to unstable response under both conditions. In addition, the Duffing term of support stiffness makes bifurcation frequencies higher, and the system with the larger support stiffness needs a larger damping to reach a stable state compared with that with smaller support stiffness.

6 Conclusions

In this paper, the main resonances of a coupled rotor-blade system with nonlinear supports are investigated. The influences of normal rubbing force, friction coefficient, damping, support stiffness and mass eccentricity on the system responses are discussed. Some detailed conclusions are summarized as follows:

Fig. 18 Response curves under different damping coefficients of the shaft ($e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001$, $F_n^* = 0$, $c_{\text{black}}^* = 0.01$, $c_{\text{bearing}}^* = 0$ 0.02, $\vartheta^* = 0$

Fig. 19 Response curves under different damping coefficients of the bearing $(e_y^* = e_z^* = 0.001, F_n^* = 0, c_{black}^* = e_z^* = 0.01,$ $\sigma = 0.2, \vartheta^* = 0$

- (1) The nonlinearity of the system is of hardening type without nonlinear stiffness terms of the bearing. The original hardening type of nonlinearity may be enhanced or transformed into softening type due to the positive or negative nonlinear stiffness terms of the bearing. The increase in the normal rubbing force or the mass eccentricity destabilizes the system and reinforces the nonlinearity.
- (2) The mode shapes and critical speeds of the shaft with bladed disk are different from those without bladed disk. The decreasing support stiffness weakens the nonlinearity of the system. Lower support stiffness results in a lower jump-down frequency and a smaller resonance peak. However, the system response amplitude under lower support stiffness is larger than that under higher support stiffness before its jumpdown frequency.
- (3) Before reaching the jump-down frequency, the amplitude of the system with a higher friction coefficient is slightly larger than that with a lower friction coefficient. By increasing the friction coefficient, the jump-down frequency is enhanced, which leads to the increase in the response amplitude.
- (4) Low damping of the shaft may lead to unstable response of the rotor-blade systems. Furthermore, the system with larger support stiffness needs a larger damping coefficient to reach the stable state. In addition, the

Fig. 20 Trajectories of bifurcation points ($F_{n}^{*} = 0$, $e_{y}^{*} = e_{z}^{*} = 0.001$, $c_{\text{bearing}}^{*} = 0.2$, $c_{\text{black}}^{*} = 0.01$)

damping of bearing has a more powerful effect on the system vibration responses under smaller support stiffness.

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Appendix A: The first- and third-order equations extracted from multiple scales method

$$
O(\varepsilon):
$$
\n
$$
D_0^2 z_1^* + m_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0^2 z_1^* + j \Omega I_1^* D_0 z''_1^* + j \Omega^* J_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0 z_1''^*
$$
\n
$$
-I_2^* D_0^2 z''_1^* - I_r D_0^2 z''_1 \delta (x^* - x_d^*) + z_1^{IV^*}
$$
\n
$$
+k z_1^* \delta (x^*) + k z_1^* \delta (x^* - 1) + m_{r2} \delta (x^* - x_d^*) \cos \gamma \int_0^1 D_0^2 p_1^* d \varsigma^* = 0
$$
\n
$$
D_0^2 p_1^* + I'^* \frac{\partial^4 p_1^*}{\partial \varsigma^* 4} + \Omega^{*2} \sin^2 \gamma p_1^* + (R_d^* + \varsigma^*) \Omega^{*2} \frac{\partial p_1^*}{\partial \varsigma^*} - \frac{\Omega^{*2}}{2} ((R_d^* + 1)^2 - (R_d^* + \varsigma^*)^2) \frac{\partial^2 p_1^*}{\partial \varsigma^* 2}
$$
\n
$$
+ 2j \Omega^* D_0 p_1^* - l^* D_0^2 z_1^* \delta (x^* - x_d^*) \cos \gamma = 0
$$
\n
$$
O(\varepsilon^3):
$$
\n
$$
D_0^2 z_3^* + m_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0^2 z_3^* + j \Omega I_1^* D_0 z''_3^* + j \Omega^* J_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0 z''_3^*
$$
\n
$$
- I_2^* D_0^2 z''_3^* - I_r D_0^2 z''_3 \delta (x^* - x_d^*) + z_3^{IV^*}
$$
\n
$$
+ k z_3^* \delta (x^*) + k z_3^* \delta (x^* - 1) = -2 D_2 D_0 z_1^* - 2 m_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_2 D_0 z_1^*
$$
\n
$$
- j \Omega I_1^* D_2 z''_1^* - j \Omega^* J_r \delta (x^* - x_d^*) D_0 z''_1^*
$$
\n

$$
-c_{\text{bearing}}^{*}D_{0}z_{1}^{*}\delta(x^{*}-1)-\vartheta z_{1}^{*}|z_{1}^{*}|^{2}(\delta(x^{*})+\delta(x^{*}-1))
$$
\n
$$
+\left(m_{\text{disk}}^{*}(je_{z}+e_{y})\Omega^{*2}e^{j\Omega^{*}T_{0}}-\sum_{i=1}^{N_{b}}F_{ni}(1+j\mu)e^{j\varphi_{i}}\right)\delta(x^{*}-x_{d}^{*})-m_{r2}\delta(x^{*}-x_{d}^{*})\cos\gamma
$$
\n
$$
\int_{0}^{1}2D_{2}D_{0}p_{1}^{*}d\varsigma^{*}
$$
\n
$$
-\frac{z_{1}^{*}}{2}\int_{0}^{x^{*}}(2D_{0}z_{1}^{*}D_{0}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*})dx^{*}
$$
\n
$$
-\frac{z_{1}^{*}}{2}\int_{1}^{x^{*}}\int_{0}^{x^{*}}(2D_{0}z_{1}^{*}D_{0}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*})dx^{*}
$$
\n
$$
-m_{r}\delta(x^{*}-x_{d}^{*})\left(\int_{0}^{x_{d}^{*}}(2D_{0}z_{1}^{*}D_{0}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*})dx^{*}dx^{*}\right)
$$
\n
$$
+ \frac{z_{1}^{*}}{2}\int_{1}^{x^{*}}\int_{0}^{x^{*}}(2D_{0}z_{1}^{*}D_{0}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}\bar{z}_{1}^{*}+D_{0}^{2}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*})dx^{*}dx^{*}\right)
$$
\n
$$
-2z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*}\bar{z}^{*}m_{1}-\frac{1}{2}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*}z_{1}^{*}m_{1}-\
$$

$$
+D_0 z_3 \sigma (x - x_d) \cos \gamma = -2D_2 D_0 p_1 - c_{black} D_0 p_1 - 2J s^2 D_2 p_1 - 2D_2 D_0 z_1 \sigma (x - x_d) \cos \gamma -j c_{black}^* \Omega^* p_1^* - \frac{2}{N_b} \mu \cos \gamma \delta (s^* - 1) \sum_{i=1}^{N_b} F_{ni}^* r^* e^{-j\phi_i}
$$
(A.4)

Appendix B: The coefficients of $e^{j\beta_f T_0}$ and $e^{j\beta_b T_0}$

$$
H_{z,f}(x^*,T_2) = \left[2j\frac{d^2\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\beta_f I_2^* - 2j\beta_f \phi_f(x^*) - 2jm_r\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right)\beta_f \phi_f(x^*) - j\Omega^* I_1^* \frac{d^2\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\right]
$$

\n
$$
-2jm_{r2}\cos\gamma\beta_f\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right)\Theta_f \int_0^1 \psi_f(\zeta^*)d\zeta^* - j\Omega^* J_f\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right) \frac{d^2\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\right]
$$

\n
$$
+2I_r\beta_f\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right)\frac{d^2\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\right] \frac{dA_1(T_2)}{dT_2} + \left[\frac{(\beta_f - \beta_b)^2}{2}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}\left(\int_0^{x^*}\frac{d\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}dx^*\right)\right]
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{(\beta_f - \beta_b)^2}{2}\frac{d\phi^2_b(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\left(\int_1^{x^*}\int_0^{x^*}\frac{d\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}dx^*\right)
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{m_r\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right)(\beta_f - \beta_b)^2}{2}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}\left(\int_0^{x_d^*}\frac{d\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}dx^*\right)
$$

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$$
+ \frac{m_r\delta\left(x^* - x_d^*\right)(\beta_f - \beta_b)^2}{2}\frac{d\phi^2_b(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\left(\int_1^{x_d^*}\int_0^{x_d^*}\frac{d\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}dx^*dx^*\right)
$$

$$
-\frac{5}{2}\frac{d^2\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\frac{d\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d^3\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{*3}} - \frac{7}{2}\frac{d^2\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{*2}}\frac{d\phi_f(x^*)}{dx^*}\frac{d^3\phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{*3}}
$$

$$
-2 \frac{d^2 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \frac{d \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \frac{d^3 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^4 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \frac{d \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}}
$$
\n
$$
-2 \left(\frac{d^2 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \right)^2 \frac{d^2 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^4 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^4}} \left(\frac{d \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \right)^2 \right] A_1(T_2) A_2(T_2) \bar{A}_2(T_2)
$$
\n
$$
+ \left[-4 \frac{d^2 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}} \frac{d \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \frac{d \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^3}} - \frac{\partial^* (\phi_f(x^*))^3}{dx^{\alpha^4}} (\delta(x^*)^2) \right] A_1(T_2) A_2(T_2) \bar{A}_2(T_2)
$$
\n
$$
- \left(\frac{d^2 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}} \right)^3 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^4 \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^4}} \left(\frac{d \phi_f(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha}} \right)^2 \right] A_1^2(T_2) \bar{A}_1(T_2)
$$
\n
$$
- j c^* \phi_f(x^*) \beta_f A_1(T_2) + m_{\text{disk}}^2 \alpha^{2} (\bar{e}_c^2 + e_7) \delta(x^*) - x_0^*) \delta F_1 A_1(T_2) S_1(x^*) - 1 = 0
$$
\n
$$
H_{z,b}(x^*, T_2) = \left[2j \frac{d^2 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}} \beta_b I_2^* - 2j \beta_b \phi_b(x^*) - 2j m_t \delta(x^* - x_0^*) \frac{d^2 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}} - 12j m_t \delta(x^*) - j \Omega^* I_1^* \frac{d^2 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx^{\alpha^2}}
$$
\n
$$
-2j m_{t2} \cos \gamma \beta_b \delta(x^* - x_0^*) \frac{d^2 \phi_b(x^*)}{dx
$$

$$
H_{p,b}\left(\varsigma^*,T_2\right) = -2j\Theta_b\beta_b\psi_b\left(\varsigma^*\right)\frac{dA_2(T_2)}{dT_2} - j c_{\text{black}}^*\Theta_b\beta_b\psi_b\left(\varsigma^*\right) A_2(T_2) - 2j\Omega^*\Theta_b\psi_b\left(\varsigma^*\right)\frac{dA_2(T_2)}{dT_2}
$$

- $j c_{\text{black}}^*\Theta_b\Omega^*\psi_b\left(\varsigma^*\right) A_2(T_2) - 2j\beta_b\phi_b(x_d)\frac{dA_2(T_2)}{dT_2}\cos\gamma$ (B.4)

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