

Table 29 Generation of an **"equivalent" ellipsoidal** meridional shape for a BIGBOSOR4 model of this multi-segment shell of revolution (Fig.2). These computations are carried out in SUBROUTINE **x3y3**, which is included with the **bosdec** library listed in Table a15.

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c This version of SUBROUTINE BOSDEC is for an "equivalent" ellipsoidal
c head. The "equivalent" ellipsoidal head is constructed because BOSOR4
c (bigbosor4) finite elements tend to "lock up" for shells of revolution
c in which the meridional curvature varies significantly within a single
c shell segment.

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c The "equivalent" ellipsoidal head consists of a user-defined number of
c toroidal segments that match as well as possible the contour of the
c ellipsoidal head. The meridional curvature of each toroidal segment
c is constant in that segment. Therefore, there is no problem of finite
c element "lock up" in a segmented model of this type.

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c For each toroidal segment, bigbosor4 needs three points for input:
c (x1,y1), (x2,y2), and (x3,y3). (x1,y1) and (x2,y2) lie on the
c ellipsoidal contour and are the (x,y) coordinates at the two ends of
c the toroidal segment. (x3,y3) is the center of meridional curvature
c of the toroidal segment. The trick is to obtain (x3,y3) so that the
c toroidal segment best fits the ellipsoidal contour in that segment.

c We use the following procedure to get (x3,y3):

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c 1. The equation of the ellipse is

$$c \quad x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1.0 \quad (1)$$

c 2. The equation for the normal to the ellipse at (x1,y1) is:

$$c \quad y - y1 = (y1/x1)(a^2/b^2)(x - x1) \quad (2)$$

c 3. The equation for the normal to the ellipse at (x2,y2) is:

$$c \quad y - y2 = (y2/x2)(a^2/b^2)(x - x2) \quad (3)$$

c 4. These two straight lines in (x,y) space intersect at (x03,y03),
c with (x03,y03) are given by:

$$c \quad x03 = (b2 - b1)/(a1 - a2); \quad y03 = (a2*b1 - a1*b2)/(a2 - a1) \quad (4)$$

c in which a1, b1 and a2, b2 are:

$$c \quad a1 = (y1/x1)(a^2/b^2); \quad b1 = -a1*x1 + y1 \quad (5)$$

$$c \quad a2 = (y2/x2)(a^2/b^2); \quad b2 = -a2*x2 + y2 \quad (6)$$

c 5. For an ellipse the distance from the point (x03,y03) to (x1,y1) is

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c   different than the distance from the point (x03,y03) to (x2,y2)
c   because the meridional curvature varies along the contour of the
c   ellipse. We wish to find a new point (x3,y3) in the neighborhood
c   of (x03,y03) for which the distance from (x3,y3) to (x1,y1) equals
c   the distance from (x3,y3) to (x2,y2). For such a point the
c   "equivalent" segment will be a toroidal segment in which the
c   meridional curvature is constant along the segment arc.
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c 6. The square of the distances from (x03,y03) to (x1,y1) and to (x2,y2)
c   are:
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c       d1sq = (x1 - x03)**2 + (y1 - y03)**2                (7)
c       d2sq = (x2 - x03)**2 + (y2 - y03)**2                (8)
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c   and the difference of these is:
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c       delsq = d1sq - d2sq                                  (9)
c
c 7. We determine the location of the center of meridional curvature of
c   the "equivalent" toroidal segment by allocating half of delsq to
c   each (distance)**2, d1sq and d2sq. We then have two (distance)^2
c   that are equal:
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c       (x1 - x03)**2 + (y1 - y03)**2 - delsq/2              (10)
c       (x2 - x03)**2 + (y2 - y03)**2 + delsq/2              (11)
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c 8. Suppose we let
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c       x3 = x03 + dx   ;           y3 = y03 + dy            (12)
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c   Then we have two nonlinear equations for the unknowns (dx,dy):
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c       [x1 - (x03+dx)]**2 + [y1 - (y03+dy)]**2 =
c           (x1 - x03)**2 + (y1 - y03)**2 -delsq/2  (13)
c
c       [x2 - (x03+dx)]**2 + [y2 - (y03+dy)]**2 =
c           (x2 - x03)**2 + (y2 - y03)**2 +delsq/2  (14)
c
c   These two equations say that the square of the distance from
c   (x3,y3) to (x1,y1) Eq.(13) is equal to that from (x3,y3) to (x2,y2)
c   Eq.(14).
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c 9. We use Newton's method to solve the two simultaneous nonlinear
c   equations for (dx,dy):
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c   For the ith Newton iteration, let
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c       dx(i) = dx(i-1) + u                                  (15)

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c      dy(i) = dy(i-1) + v                                     (16)
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c      Then we develop two linear equations for u and v for the ith  
c      Newton iteration:
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c      u*2.*(x03-x1+dx(i-1)) +v*2.*(y03-y1 +dy(i-1)) = f1pp      (17)
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c      u*2.*(x03-x2+dx(i-1)) +v*2.*(y03-y2 +dy(i-1)) = f2pp      (18)
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c      in which the right-hand sides, f1pp and f2pp, are rather long  
c      expressions given in SUBROUTINE x3y3, where the Newton iterations  
c      occur.
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