



Fig. 64 STAGS prediction of linear buckling for the 10-stringer-bay flat panel. Compare the buckling mode and load factor, $pcr = 3.0279$, here with those for the 5-stringer-bay flat panel shown in Fig. 46. There is no overall axial bending nor in-plane warping of the panel skin along the four edges of this STAGS model. The linear buckling mode shape shown here is used as an initial imperfection shape with amplitude, $W_{imp} = 0.001$ inch, in the nonlinear, static STAGS run to follow.