

Fig. 66 STAGS prediction of deformation in the 10-stringer-bay flat panel at the design load, PA = 10.0 (Nx = -1000 lb/in). Compare with Fig. 50 for the 5-stringer-bay panel. Also, compare with the previous figure. Now there are downward buckles adjacent to the edges at x = 0 and at x = 9.7793 inches in nine of the ten stringer bays, allowing the ring at x = 0 and the ring at x = 9.7793 inches to roll uniformly along most of their lengths. This type of post-buckling deformation pattern cannot be predicted by the PANDA2 local post-buckling model [3,22], which is based on the single discretized module model shown in Fig. 7, for example.