

Fig. 266 The optimized isogrid-stiffened equivalent ellipsoidal shell; Wimp=0.2 inch; the optimum design is listed in columns 2 and 3 of Table 33. State of the shell at load set B (PB) step no. 45 in Run 3 (residual dent). (See Fig. 263). Load set B consists of a number of concentrated inward directed normal loads applied along row 2 of shell segment 2 (Figs. 2, 169, 258, 259, and 264) distributed in the circumferential direction as $\cos(\text{theta})$ from theta = 0 to 90 degrees. This " $\cos(\text{theta})$ " load distribution is used because it generates a residual dent that locally resembles the negative of the buckling modal deformation in Figs. 258 and 259, that is, the negative of the linear buckling modal imperfection with n = 1 circumferential wave. Compare with Fig. 240. Here the residual dent is significantly deeper than the depth, Wimp=0.2 inch, of each of the two axisymmetric buckling modal imperfections, mode 1 and mode 2, for which the optimum design was obtained.