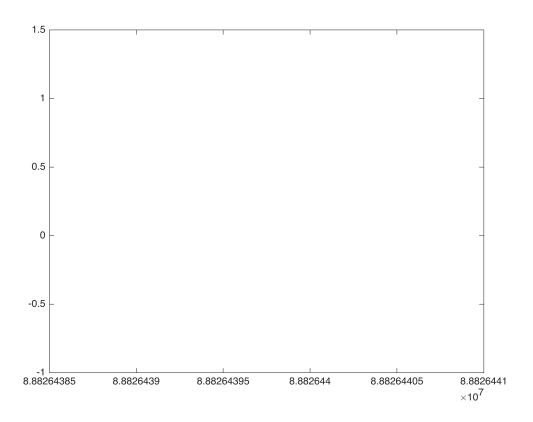
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% Define the input parameters
L = 20; % Length of the column in meters
b = 5; % Width of the column in meters
t = 6; % Height of the column in meters
P = 100; % Compressive load in Newtons
% Define the material properties
E = 40e6; % Young's modulus in Pascals
nu = 0.50; % Poisson's ratio
rho = 300; % Density of the material in kg/m^3
% Calculate the area and moment of inertia of the cross-section
A = b*t:
I = (1/12)*b*t^3;
% Calculate the critical buckling load for the column
P cr = pi^2*E*I/L^2;
% Check if the load is less than the critical buckling load
if P <= P cr</pre>
        disp('The column is not in danger of buckling');
else
    disp('The column is in danger of buckling');
end
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The column is not in danger of buckling

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% Calculate the deflection of the column due to the compressive load delta = (P*L^2)/(4*E*I);
% Display the deflection of the column fprintf('The deflection of the column is %.4f meters\n', delta);
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The deflection of the column is 0.0000 meters

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plot(P_cr,delta);
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P_range = linspace(0, 200, 1000); % Range of compressive loads in Newtons % Calculate the corresponding critical buckling load and deflection for each value of P_cr_range = pi^2*E*I./(P_range.*L.^2); delta_range = (P_range.*L.^2)./(4*E*I); % Plot P_cr and delta as functions of P plot(P_range, P_cr_range, 'b-', 'LineWidth', 2); hold on; plot(P_range, delta_range, 'r--', 'LineWidth', 2); % Add axis labels and legend xlabel(' Deflection '); ylabel('Critical Buckling Load (N)'); legend('Critical Buckling Load', 'Deflection');
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