Documentation for element ***StringPanelLin***:

The **StringPanelLin** element considers a linear-elastic formulation for the quadrilateral shear panel. Currently, the element allows for the input of nonlinear properties in the sections of the stringer. See original paper for reference.

**element StringPanelLin $eleTag $iNode $jNode $knode $lNode $strSecTag1 $strSecTag2 $strSecTag3 $strSecTag4 $E\_p $nu $t <-rho $rho>**

**$eleTag**  unique element object tag

**$eleTag $iNode $jNode $knode $lNode**  corner nodes (counterclockwise)

**$strSecTag1 $strSecTag2 $strSecTag3 $strSecTag4** stringers section tag (counterclockwise)

**$E\_p** modulus of elasticity of panel

**$nu** Poisson’s ratio of panel

**$t** thickness of panel

**$rho (optional)** mass per unit area of panel (default = 0.0)

$lNode

$strSecTag3

$kNode

$strSecTag4

$strSecTag2

$jNode

$strSecTag1

$iNode

Available recorders:

* **forces, force, globalForce, globalForces**
  + Prints the nodal forces counterclockwise in the global coordinate system
* **localForce, localForces, axialForce, axialForces**
  + Prints the forces in the stringers counterclockwise (12 columns, forces shown in sketch in positive sign convention)
* **shearFlow**
  + Prints the shear flow (q, shown positive in sketch)
* **Stiffness**
  + Prints the initial stiffness of the element
* **inertialForce, inertiaForce**
  + Prints the nodal forces counterclockwise in the global coordinate system including the inertial terms only
* **Strain, strains**
  + Prints the average strains in the stringers, counterclockwise.

$lNode

$kNode

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q

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$jNode

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$iNode

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Notes:

1. This element does not include geometric nonlinearities in its formulation (i.e. P-Delta or Corotational transformations).
2. The element works in 2-dimensional problems (with either 2 or 3 DOF) and in 3-dimensional problems (with 6-DOF).

Example:

element StringPanelLin 1 1 2 3 4 2 2 2 2 4000. 0.2 0.25; # StringPanelLin element with tag 1, corner nodes are 1 2 3 4 counterclockwise, all 4 stringers are assigned the section with tag 2, the modulus of elasticity of the material of the panel is 4000, Poisson’s ratio of 0.2 and thickness of 0.25.

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