

Computer Implementation 3.2 (*Matlab*) Solution of Buckling Problem (p. 207)

The buckling problem can be implemented easily in *Matlab* by defining simple functions returning element \mathbf{k} and \mathbf{k}_p matrices as follows.

MatlabFiles\Chap3\BucklingLinElement.m

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function [ke, kp] = BucklingLinElement(k, coord)
% [ke, kp] = BucklingLinElement(k, coord)
% Generates equations for a linear element for 1D Buckling
% k = bar stiffness (EI)
% coord = coordinates at the element ends

L=coord(2)-coord(1);
ke = k/L*[1, -1; -1, 1];
kp = [L/3, L/6; L/6, L/3];
```

MatlabFiles\Chap3\BucklingQuadElement.m

```
function [ke, kp] = BucklingQuadElement(k, coord)
% [ke, kp] = BucklingQuadElement(k, coord)
% Generates equations for a quadratic element for 1D Buckling
% k = bar stiffness (EI)
% coord = coordinates at the element ends

L=coord(3)-coord(1);
ke = [(7*k)/(3*L), -(8*k)/(3*L), k/(3*L);
      -(8*k)/(3*L), (16*k)/(3*L), -(8*k)/(3*L);
      k/(3*L), -(8*k)/(3*L), (7*k)/(3*L)];
kp = [(2*L)/15, (L/15), -L/30;
      (L/15), (8*L)/15, (L/15);
      -L/30, (L/15), (2*L)/15];
```

Using the BucklingQuadElement function, a solution using 4 quadratic is obtained as follows.

MatlabFiles\Chap3\BucklingEx.m

```
% Solution of Euler buckling using quadratic elements
L = 12*10.; EI = 10^6;
nodes = [0:L/8:L]; n=length(nodes);
Ke=zeros(n); Kp=zeros(n);
% Generate equations for each element and assemble them.
for i=1:4
    lm=[2*(i-1)+1, 2*(i-1)+2, 2*(i-1)+3];
    [ke, kp] = BucklingQuadElement(EI, nodes(lm));
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Ke(lm, lm) = Ke(lm, lm) + ke;
Kp(lm, lm) = Kp(lm, lm) + kp;
end
% Adjust for EBC
debc=[1,n];
df = setdiff(1:n, debc);
Kef = Ke(df, df)
Kep = Kp(df, df)
[v,e] = eig(Kef, Kep);
fprintf('Buckling load = %10.6g',e(1,1))
d = zeros(n,1);
d(df) = v(:,1)
plot(nodes,d),title('First buckling mode'), xlabel('x'),ylabel('v')
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>> BucklingEx
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Kef =
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1.0e+005 *
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1.7778 -0.8889    0    0    0    0    0
-0.8889 1.5556 -0.8889 0.1111    0    0    0
    0 -0.8889 1.7778 -0.8889    0    0    0
    0 0.1111 -0.8889 1.5556 -0.8889 0.1111    0
    0    0    0 -0.8889 1.7778 -0.8889    0
    0    0    0 0.1111 -0.8889 1.5556 -0.8889
    0    0    0    0    0 -0.8889 1.7778
```

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Kep =
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```
16  2  0  0  0  0  0
 2  8  2 -1  0  0  0
 0  2 16  2  0  0  0
 0 -1  2  8  2 -1  0
 0  0  0  2 16  2  0
 0  0  0 -1  2  8  2
 0  0  0  0  0  2 16
```

```
Buckling load = 685.74
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d =
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0
0.0494
0.0913
0.1193
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0.1292
0.1193
0.0913
0.0494
0
