

4.5 Axially compressed cylinder

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Figure 4.5.1 shows a cylindrical shell model under distributed compressive load. Both ends of the cylinder are clamped in transverse direction. One eighth portion of the cylinder is modeled with symmetric boundary condition. The linear buckling analysis is carried out to determine the lowest critical load factor. The typical mode shape is sketched in Figure 4.5.2.

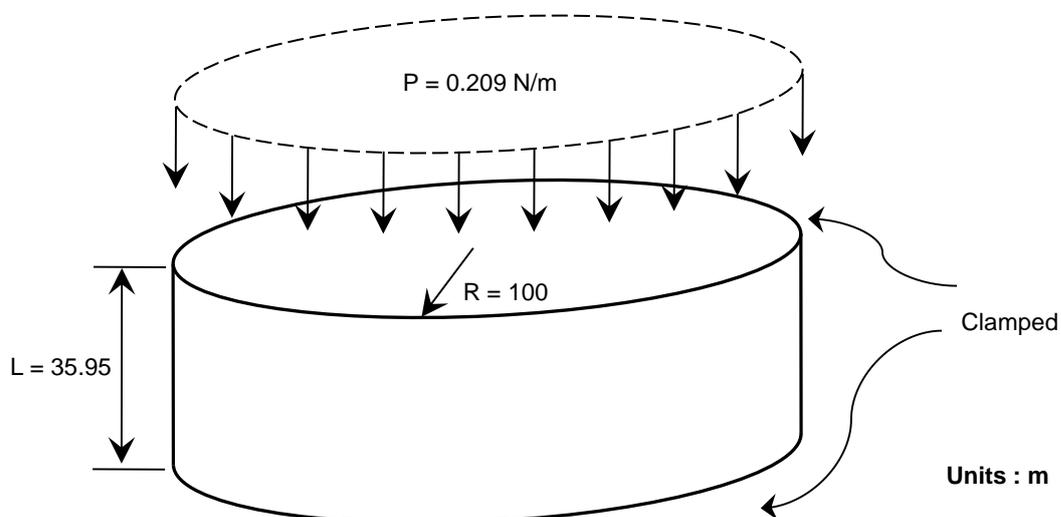


Figure 4.5.1 Axially compressed cylinder model

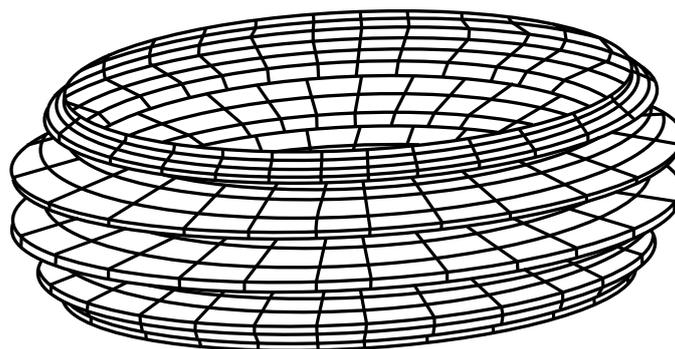


Figure 4.5.2 Buckling mode shape

Material data	Young's modulus	$E = 567 \text{ Pa}$
	Poisson's ratio	$\nu = 0.3$
Section property	Thickness	$t = 0.247 \text{ m}$

Table 4.5.1 Critical load factor obtained using shell elements

Reference		1.0833
Element type	Number of elements	
TRIA-3	840	1.1094
QUAD-4	420	1.1370
TRIA-6	840	1.0104
QUAD-8	420	1.0198

Table 4.5.2 Critical load factor obtained using solid elements

Reference		1.0833
Element type	Number of elements	
HEXA-8	420	1.0608
HEXA-20	420	0.9935

Table 4.5.3 Critical load factor obtained using layered solid elements

Reference		1.0833
Element type	Number of elements	
HEXAL-8	420	1.0691
HEXAL-20	420	0.9917