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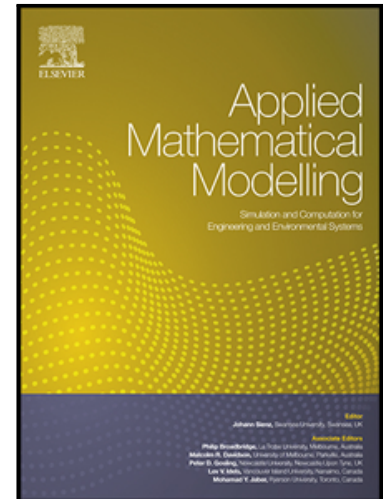
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ABSTRACT

While classical matrix and finite-element methods are very powerful for structural analysis, some essential shortcomings such as not placing the transverse and axial loads in their actual locations on a member, as well as necessity of a large number of iterations or subdivisions of the structural element for exact second-order analysis should be still taken into consideration. To overcome such drawbacks, Generalized Differential Quadrature (GDQ) is a new semi-numerical method for analysis of the engineering problems. The aim of this paper is to use SBCGS (Satisfaction of Boundary Conditions in the General Solution) technique to perform second-order and buckling analysis of beam-columns under different geometrical and boundary conditions by solving beam-column differential equation in matrix form. In addition, a comparison is made between the results of SBCGS technique and those of other methods available in literature for the analysis of non-prismatic beam-columns with different tapered ratios when subjected to end or distributed axial loads.

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