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1 Introduction As offshore oil production moves into deeper water compliant structural systems are becoming increasingly important Examples of this type of structure are tension leg platforms TLP's guyed tower platforms compliant tower platforms and floating production systems The common feature of these systems which distinguishes them from conventional jacket platforms is that dynamic amplification is minimized by designing the surge and sway natural frequencies to be lower than the predominant frequencies of the wave spectrum Conventional jacket platforms on the other hand are designed to have high stiffness so that the natural frequencies are higher than the wave frequencies At deeper water depths however it becomes uneconomical to build a platform with high enough stiffness Thus the switch is made to the other side of the wave spectrum The low natural frequency of a compliant platform is achieved by designing systems which inherently have low stiffness Consequently the maximum horizontal excursions of these systems can be quite large The low natural frequency characteristic of compliant systems creates new analytical challenges for engineers This is because geometric stiffness and

hydrodynamic force nonlinearities can cause significant resonance responses in the surge and sway modes even though the natural frequencies of these modes are outside the wave spectrum frequencies High frequency resonance responses in other modes such as the pitch mode of a TLP are also possible

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Fracture of Nonhomogeneous Solids III Thermal Cracking of Heterogeneous Materials IV VI Fracture Phenomena in Composite Systems I III One of the main topics in session I consisted in the description of the influence of thermal effects on shear band localization failure Thereby shear bands nucleate due *Plate Stability by Boundary Element Method* Abbas Elzein, 2013-03-07 1 1 Historical Background Thin plates and shells are widely used structural elements in numerous civil mechanical aeronautical and marine engineering design applications Floor slabs bridge decks concrete pavements sheet pile retaining walls are all under normal lateral loading circumstances instances of plate bending in civil engineering The problem of elastic instability of plates occurs when load is applied in a direction parallel to the plane of the plate The deck of a bridge subjected to a strong wind loading the web of a girder under the action of shear forces transmitted by the flanges the turbine blade of a machinery undergoing longitudinal temperature differentials would all eventually buckle when the applied load or its temperature equivalent in the last case exceeds a certain limit that is the buckling load Although the plate may exhibit a considerable post buckling strength the buckling load is considered in many design instances especially in aeronautical and marine engineering as a serviceability limit because of the abrupt and substantial change in the dimensions and shape of the buckled plate Nevertheless the post buckling region retains its importance either as an essential safety margin or as a stage of loading actually reached under normal loading conditions The design engineer will therefore need rigorous tools of analysis to predict in addition to the buckling load the deflections and stresses at both buckling and initial post buckling stages

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