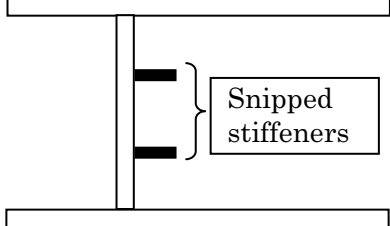


Question for ULS

Rule Ref.: Bulker CSR Ch5 Appendix 1, Tanker CSR Appendix A 2.3

Interpretation requested to calculation procedure for ultimate strength by incremental-iterative approach.

ID	Questions	Figures
Q1	For plates stiffened by not longitudinally continued stiffeners such as girders in double bottom, how to divide the plate to calculation elements. Should the stiffeners be neglected and considered as plate elements?	 <p>The diagram illustrates a cross-section of a double bottom structure. It consists of two horizontal plates, one at the top and one at the bottom, connected by a vertical stiffener (girder). The stiffener is depicted as two separate vertical segments with gaps between them, indicating it is not longitudinally continuous. A bracket on the right side of the stiffener segments is labeled 'Snipped stiffeners', highlighting the discontinuity in the stiffener.</p>