

# Assignment 1

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## Part 1

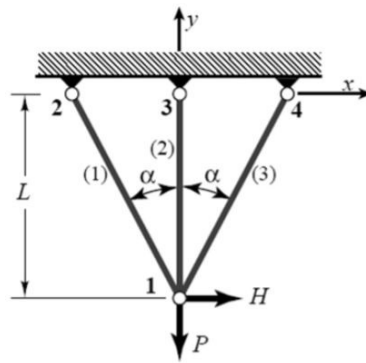


Figure 1: Three Bars Truss Problem

- a) Each bar is considered as an element, numbered as shown in the figure  
1. The angles with the horizontal for each element are the following:

$$\theta_1 = 90^\circ + \alpha$$

$$\theta_2 = 90^\circ$$

$$\theta_3 = 90^\circ - \alpha$$

Having  $s = \sin(\alpha)$ , and  $c = \cos(\alpha)$ , the following expressions will be fixed to assemble the stiffness matrix:

$$\sin(\theta_1) = c \quad \cos(\theta_1) = -s$$

$$\sin(\theta_2) = 1 \quad \cos(\theta_2) = 0$$

$$\sin(\theta_3) = c \quad \cos(\theta_3) = s$$

In this problem, there are 3 elements with a total of 4 nodes, each node with 2 degrees of freedom. Therefore the result of the master stiffness equation will be an  $8 \times 8$  matrix built with 3 stiffness matrices from the 3 bars, each matrix will be  $4 \times 4$  and have the following formula:

$$K^e = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^e \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & sc & -c^2 & -sc \\ sc & s^2 & -sc & -s^2 \\ -c^2 & -sc & c^2 & sc \\ -sc & -s^2 & sc & s^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore the following matrices are obtained:

$$K^1 = \left( \frac{EA}{L/c} \right)^1 \begin{bmatrix} s^2 & -sc & -s^2 & sc \\ -sc & c^2 & sc & -c^2 \\ -s^2 & sc & s^2 & -sc \\ sc & -c^2 & -sc & c^2 \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^1 \begin{bmatrix} cs^2 & -c^2s & -cs^2 & c^2s \\ -c^2s & c^3 & c^2s & -c^3 \\ -cs^2 & c^2s & cs^2 & -c^2s \\ c^2s & -c^3 & -c^2s & c^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^2 = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^3 = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^3 \begin{bmatrix} cs^2 & c^2s & -cs^2 & -c^2s \\ c^2s & c^3 & -c^2s & -c^3 \\ -cs^2 & -c^2s & cs^2 & c^2s \\ -c^2s & -c^3 & c^2s & c^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assembling these matrices in the global matrix, with  $\frac{EA}{L}$  as a common factor, the resultant stiffness matrix is the following:

$$K = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} cs^2 + cs^2 & c^2s - c^2s & -cs^2 & c^2s & 0 & 0 & -cs^2 & -c^2s \\ & c^3 + 1 + c^3 & c^2s & -c^3 & 0 & -1 & -c^2s & -c^3 \\ & & cs^2 & -c^2s & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & & cs^2 & c^2s \\ & & & & & & & c^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 2cs^2 & 0 & -cs^2 & c^2s & 0 & 0 & -cs^2 & -c^2s \\ & 1 + 2c^3 & c^2s & -c^3 & 0 & -1 & -c^2s & -c^3 \\ & & cs^2 & -c^2s & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & & cs^2 & c^2s \\ & & & & & & & c^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Each node has two degrees of freedom (in the x and y directions), therefore the deformation vector will be the following:

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix}$$

There are forces for each node in the x and y directions. In this cases, only two forces are applied on node 1, therefore the force vector will be the following:

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} H \\ -P \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Putting the equation together:

$$Ku = f$$

$$\frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 2cs^2 & 0 & -cs^2 & c^2s & 0 & 0 & -cs^2 & -c^2s \\ & 1+2c^3 & c^2s & -c^3 & 0 & -1 & -c^2s & -c^3 \\ & & cs^2 & -c^2s & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & sym & & & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & & cs^2 & c^2s \\ & & & & & & & c^3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H \\ -P \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The bar element is perpendicular to the x direction if node 3, and the forces are on the same element on node 1, and following the direction matrix,  $u_{x3}$  doesn't have any effect on the displacement even if it's not fixed in the x direction, this explains

**b)** Nodes 2,3 and 4 don't move, therefore their displacements in both x and y will be 0.

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This leads to only two unknowns, and the other values that are multiplied by 0 can be removed from the stiffness matrix. Therefore two equations are enough to solve this problem, which are the first and second rows of the matrix:

$$\frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 2cs^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + 2c^3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H \\ -P \end{bmatrix}$$

c) Solving the above equation for each displacement:

$$u_{x1} = \frac{HL}{2EAcs^2}$$

$$u_{y1} = \frac{-PL}{EA} \left( \frac{1}{1 + 2c^3} \right)$$

When  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  and  $\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$ , the following displacements are obtained respectively:

$$u_{x1} = \frac{HL}{2EA \times 0} = \infty \qquad u_{x1} = \frac{HL}{2EA \times 0} = \infty$$

$$u_{y1} = \frac{-PL}{EA} \left( \frac{1}{1 + 2} \right) = \frac{-PL}{3EA} \qquad u_{y1} = \frac{-PL}{EA} \left( \frac{1}{1 + 2 \times 0} \right) = \frac{-PL}{EA}$$

From the answers above, if  $H \neq 0$  and  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ , the answer "blows up"

d) Convert the displacement matrix to the local displacement for each element:

$$\bar{u}^e = T^e u^e$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_{xi} \\ \bar{u}_{yi} \\ \bar{u}_{xj} \\ \bar{u}_{yj} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c & s & 0 & 0 \\ -s & c & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c & s \\ 0 & 0 & -s & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{xj} \\ u_{yj} \end{bmatrix}$$

Elements from 1 to 3 will be solved in function of  $\alpha$ .

Element 1:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_{x1} \\ \bar{u}_{y1} \\ \bar{u}_{x2} \\ \bar{u}_{y2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & -s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & -s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u}_{x1} \\ \bar{u}_{y1} \\ \bar{u}_{x2} \\ \bar{u}_{y2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{HL}{2EAcs} - \frac{PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ -\frac{HL}{2EAs^2} + \frac{PLs}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Elongation:  $d = -u_{x1}^- = \frac{HL}{2EAcs} + \frac{PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)}$

Axial Force:  $F^{(1)} = \frac{EA}{L/c}d = \frac{H}{2s} + \frac{Pc^2}{(1+2c^3)}$

Element 2:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x1}^- \\ u_{y1}^- \\ u_{x3}^- \\ u_{y3}^- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x1}^- \\ u_{y1}^- \\ u_{x3}^- \\ u_{y3}^- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{PL}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ -\frac{HL}{2EAcs^2} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Elongation:  $d = -u_{x1}^- = \frac{PL}{EA(1+2c^3)}$

Axial Force:  $F^{(2)} = \frac{EA}{L}d = \frac{P}{(1+2c^3)}$

Element 3:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x1}^- \\ u_{y1}^- \\ u_{x4}^- \\ u_{y4}^- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x1}^- \\ u_{y1}^- \\ u_{x4}^- \\ u_{y4}^- \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{HL}{2EAcs} - \frac{PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ -\frac{HL}{2EAcs^2} - \frac{PLs}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Elongation:  $d = -u_{x1}^- = -\frac{HL}{2EAcs} + \frac{PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)}$

Axial Force:  $F^{(3)} = \frac{EA}{L/c}d = -\frac{H}{2s} + \frac{Pc^2}{(1+2c^3)}$

for  $H \neq 0$  and  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\frac{H}{2s} \rightarrow \frac{H}{2 \times 0} \rightarrow \infty$

## Part 2

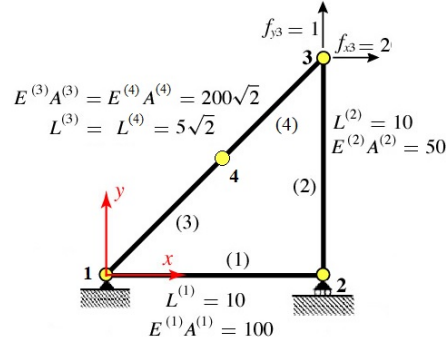


Figure 2: Four Bars Truss Problem

Each bar is considered as an element, numbered as shown in the figure 2. The angles with the horizontal for each element are the following:

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_1 &= 0^\circ \\ \theta_2 &= 90^\circ \\ \theta_{3-4} &= 45^\circ\end{aligned}$$

In this problem, there are 4 elements with 4 nodes, each node with 2 degrees of freedom. Therefore the result of the master stiffness equation will be a  $8 \times 8$  matrix built with 4 stiffness matrices from the 4 bars.

Therefore the following matrices are obtained:

$$K^1 = \left(\frac{EA}{L}\right)^1 \begin{bmatrix} s^2 & -sc & -s^2 & sc \\ -sc & c^2 & sc & -c^2 \\ -s^2 & sc & s^2 & -sc \\ sc & -c^2 & -sc & c^2 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^2 = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^3 = K^4 = 40 \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assembling these matrices in the global matrix, the resultant stiffness matrix is the following:

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 30 & 20 & -10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ & 20 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ & & 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & 5 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ & & & & & 25 & -20 & -20 \\ & & & & & & 40 & 40 \\ & & & & & & & 40 \end{bmatrix}$$

Each node has two degrees of freedom (in the x and y directions), therefore the deformation vector will be the following:

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix}$$

There are forces for each node in the x and y directions. In this cases, only two forces are applied on node 1, therefore the force vector will be the following:

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Putting the equation together:

$$Ku = f$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 30 & 20 & -10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ & 20 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ & & 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & 5 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ & & & & & 25 & -20 & -20 \\ & & & & & & 40 & 40 \\ & & & & & & & 40 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Node 1 doesn't move, and node 2 only moves in the x direction therefore  
 $u_{x1} = u_{y1} = u_{y2} = 0$

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ u_{x2} \\ 0 \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, the reduced matrix equation will be the following:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 20 & 25 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \\ 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

After the reduction, the matrix is still singular (column4=column5), therefore the equation is still not solvable.

This is due to the fact that a node is placed in the middle of a bar, with no restrictions on that node.



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Classwork 1

$E = 200 \text{ GPa} = 2 \times 10^{11} \text{ Pa}$

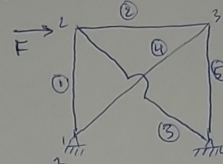
$A = 6 \text{ cm}^2 = 6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$

Angles : ①  $90^\circ$  ②  $0^\circ$

③  $-45^\circ$  ④  $45^\circ$

⑤  $-90^\circ$

Elements' Lengths : ① ② ③  $L = 6 \text{ m}$   
 ③ ④  $L = 6\sqrt{2} \text{ m}$



4 elements 4 nodes - 8 DoF

$$K^e = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^e = \begin{bmatrix} c^2 & sc & -c^2 & -sc \\ sc & s^2 & -sc & -s^2 \\ -c^2 & -sc & c^2 & sc \\ -sc & -s^2 & sc & s^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^{1,2,5} = 2 \times 10^7$   
 $\left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^{3,4} = \sqrt{2} \times 10^7$

$$K^1 = K^5 = 2 \times 10^7 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^2 = 2 \times 10^7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^3 = \sqrt{2} \times 10^7 \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 \\ -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^4 = \sqrt{2} \times 10^7 \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ -0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3536 & 0.3536 & 0 & 0 & -0.3536 & -0.3536 & 0 & 0 \\ & 1.3536 & 0 & -1 & -0.3536 & -0.3536 & 0 & 0 \\ & & 1.3536 & -0.3536 & -1 & 0 & -0.3536 & 0.3536 \\ & & & 1.3536 & 0 & 0 & 0.3536 & -0.3536 \\ & & & & 1.3536 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & & & & 1.3536 & 0.3536 & 0 \\ & & & & & & 1.3536 & 0 \\ & & & & & & & 1.3536 \\ & & & & & & & & 0 \\ & & & & & & & & & 0 \\ & & & & & & & & & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Each node has displacements in  $x$  and  $y$ , with nodes 1 and 4 that don't move, the displacement vector is the following:

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Having one force in the  $x$  direction at node 2  
 $F = 80 \text{ kN} = 8 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 8 \times 10^4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The 8 equations will be reduced to 4:

$$2 \times 10^7 \begin{bmatrix} 1.3536 & -0.3536 & -1 & 0 \\ -0.3536 & 1.3536 & 0 & 0 \\ \cancel{1.3536} & -1 & 0 & 1.3536 & 0.3536 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3536 & 1.3536 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \times 10^4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving the ~~for~~ above equations:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9.54 \\ 2.23 \\ 6.77 \\ -1.77 \end{bmatrix} \text{ mm}$$