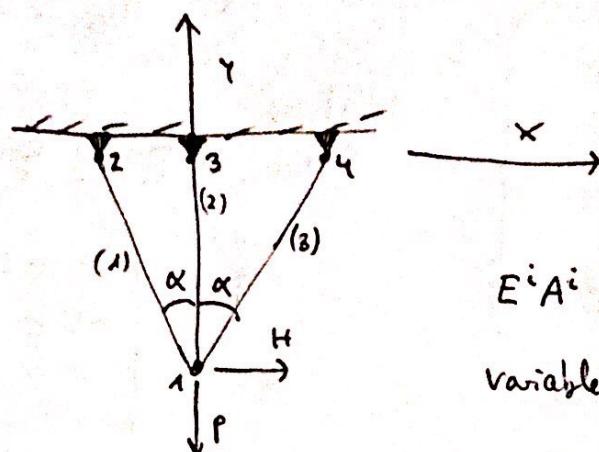


Assignment 1

## Direct Stiffness Method

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$$E^i A^i = \text{constant}$$

variables:  $L, \alpha, E, A, P, H$ 

$$L^{(2)} = L$$

$$L^{(1)} = L^{(3)} = \frac{L}{\cos \alpha}$$

8 DOF's

6 fixed  $\rightarrow$  nodes 2, 3, 4 :  $[u_{2x}, u_{2y}, u_{3x}, u_{3y}, u_{4x}, u_{4y}] = 0$   
 2 free  $\rightarrow$  node 1 :  $u_{1x}, u_{1y}$

2 prescribed forces:  $f_{1y} = -P, f_{1x} = H$

Element stiffness equations

$$\bar{f} = \bar{k} \cdot \bar{u}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{xi} \\ f_{yi} \\ f_{xj} \\ f_{yj} \end{bmatrix} = \left( \frac{EA}{L} \right)^e \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{xj} \\ u_{yj} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Globalization

Transformation local  $\rightarrow$  global coordinates

### Displacements

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

$\bar{u}_{xi}, \bar{u}_{yi} \rightarrow$  local

$u_{xi}, u_{yi} \rightarrow$  global

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

$$T^e = \begin{bmatrix} c s & 0 c \\ -s c & c a \\ 0 0 & c s \\ 0 0 & -s c \end{bmatrix}$$

### Forces

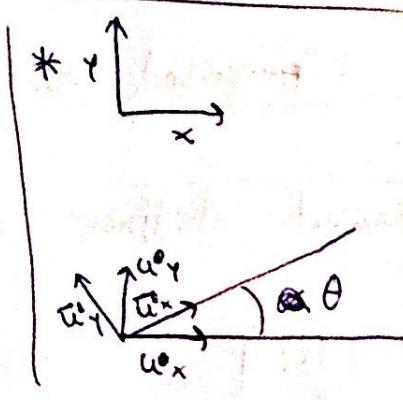
$$f^e = (T^e)^T \bar{f}^e \quad (T^e)^T = \begin{bmatrix} c -s & c & 0 \\ s c & 0 & c \\ c 0 & c -s \\ c 0 & s c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{As } \bar{k}^e \bar{u}^e = \bar{f}^e \text{ (local)}$$

Plugging in the matrices stated above

$$k^e = (T^e)^T \bar{k}^e T^e$$

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



Therefore,

Elements:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \theta = 90^\circ + \alpha$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \theta = 90^\circ - \alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(90^\circ + \alpha) &= -\sin \alpha & \cos(90^\circ) &= 0 \\ \sin(90^\circ + \alpha) &= \cos \alpha & \sin(90^\circ) &= 1 \\ \cos(90^\circ - \alpha) &= \sin \alpha \\ \sin(90^\circ - \alpha) &= \cos \alpha\end{aligned}$$

This is the transformation

Therefore, the global <sup>(element)</sup> stiffness matrices are

$$K^{(1)} = \frac{EA}{L/c} \begin{bmatrix} S^2 & -SC & -S^2 & SC & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -SC & C^2 & SC & -C^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -S^2 & SC & S^2 & -SC & 0 & 0 & C \\ SC & -C^2 & -SC & C^2 & C & 0 & 0 \\ C & 0 & 0 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$K^{(3)} = \frac{EA}{L/c} \begin{bmatrix} S^2 & SC & 0 & 0 & 0 & -S^2 & -SC \\ SC & C^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -SC & -C^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -S^2 - SC & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & S^2 & SC \\ -SC - C^2 & C & 0 & 0 & 0 & SC & C^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assembly matrix

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 2CS^2 & 0 & -CS^2 & C^2S & 0 & C & -CS^2 & -C^2S \\ 0 & 1+2C^3 & C^2S & -C^3 & 0 & -1 & -C^2S & -C^3 \\ CS^2 & -C^2S & C^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & C & 0 \\ C^2S & C^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ CS^2 & C^2S & C^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Master stiffness equations

$$K u = f$$

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_{1x} \\ u_{1y} \\ u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \\ u_{3x} \\ u_{3y} \\ u_{4x} \\ u_{4y} \end{pmatrix} \quad f = \begin{pmatrix} H \\ -P \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad f_{1x} \\ f_{1y}$$

### ② Boundary conditions

Prescribed displacements:  $[u_{2x}, u_{2y}, u_{3x}, u_{3y}, u_{4x}, u_{4y}] = 0$

Prescribed forces:  $f_{1x} = H$      $f_{1y} = -P$

Applying these BCs the system results as

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

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Gauss elimination

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

### (3) Solution of the 2x2 system

$$\frac{EA}{L} 2cs^2 \cdot u_{xx} = H \rightarrow \boxed{u_{xx} = \frac{L}{EA} \frac{H}{2cs^2}}$$

$$(1+2c^3) \frac{EA}{L} \cdot u_{xy} = -P \rightarrow \boxed{u_{xy} = -\frac{L}{EA} \frac{P}{1+2c^3}}$$

when  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ :

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} u_{xx} = +\infty$$

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} u_{xy} = -\frac{LP}{3EA}$$

In this case, the three bars ~~not~~ tend to be in a vertical position and the structure can not support horizontal forces ( $H \neq c$ ).

$$\text{If } H=0 \rightarrow \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} u_{xx} = \frac{0}{0} \text{ (Indeterminate)}$$

when  $\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2$ :

$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2} (u_{xx}) = +\infty \quad \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2} u_{xy} = -\frac{LP}{EA}$$

The physical explanation is that the system is equivalent to a single vertical bar. The reason of such behaviour is that the bars 1 and 3 tend to be horizontal and with infinite length. The result is the same pendulum behaviour ~~than~~ of the previous case.

## ④ Axial forces |

In order to calculate the axial forces it is needed to start with the constitutive equation of 1D elastic problems.

$$\sigma = E\varepsilon \quad (\text{constitutive eq.})$$

$$\frac{F}{A} = \frac{Eu}{L} \rightarrow F = \frac{EA}{L} u \quad \text{This } u \text{ is the axial displacement}$$

### Element 1

$$F^{(1)} = \frac{EA}{L/c} (-u_{x1} s + u_{y1} c) = -\frac{H}{2s} + \frac{c^2 P}{1+2c^2}$$

### Element 2

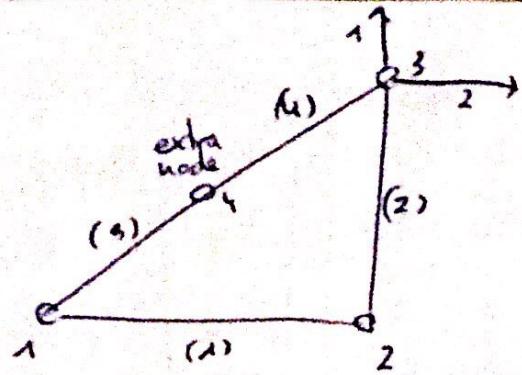
$$F^{(2)} = \frac{EA}{L} u_{y1} = -\frac{P}{1+2c^2}$$

### Element 3

$$F^{(3)} = \frac{EA}{L/c} (+u_{x1}s + u_{y1}c) = -\frac{H}{2s} + \frac{c^2 P}{1+2c^2}$$

If  $H \neq 0$  and  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  there will be no stiffness in the horizontal axis (pendulum)

## ⑤ | putting and extra node |



Element stiffness equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{x_1}^{(1)} \\ f_{y_1}^{(1)} \\ f_{x_2}^{(1)} \\ f_{y_2}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & -10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -10 & 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x_1}^{(1)} \\ u_{y_1}^{(1)} \\ u_{x_2}^{(1)} \\ u_{y_2}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{x_2}^{(2)} \\ f_{y_2}^{(2)} \\ f_{x_3}^{(2)} \\ f_{y_3}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 & -10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -10 & 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x_2}^{(2)} \\ u_{y_2}^{(2)} \\ u_{x_3}^{(2)} \\ u_{y_3}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{x_1}^{(3)} \\ f_{y_1}^{(3)} \\ f_{x_4}^{(3)} \\ f_{y_4}^{(3)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 20 & 20 \\ -20 & -20 & 20 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x_1}^{(3)} \\ u_{y_1}^{(3)} \\ u_{x_4}^{(3)} \\ u_{y_4}^{(3)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_{x_3}^{(4)} \\ f_{y_3}^{(4)} \\ f_{x_4}^{(4)} \\ f_{y_4}^{(4)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 20 & 20 \\ -20 & -20 & 20 & 20 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{x_3}^{(4)} \\ u_{y_3}^{(4)} \\ u_{x_4}^{(4)} \\ u_{y_4}^{(4)} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Assembly

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccccccccc} 30 & 20 & -10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ 20 & 20 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 \\ -10 & 0 & 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 10 & 0 & -10 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 & 30 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -10 & 20 & 30 & -20 & -20 \\ -20 & -20 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \\ -20 & -20 & 0 & 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} u_{1x} \\ u_{1y} \\ u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \\ u_{3x} \\ u_{3y} \\ u_{4x} \\ u_{4y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{1x} \\ f_{1y} \\ f_{2x} \\ f_{2y} \\ f_{3x} \\ f_{3y} \\ f_{4x} \\ f_{4y} \end{bmatrix}$$

# BCs

$$f_{3x} = 2$$

$$f_{3y} = 1$$

$$\{u_{1x}, u_{1y}, u_{2y}\} = 0$$

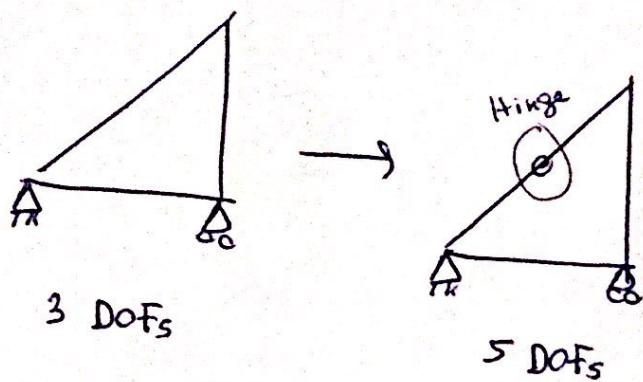
↓ Reducing

$$\left\{ \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 20 & 20 & -20 & -20 \\ 0 & 20 & 30 & -20 & -20 \\ \rightarrow 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \\ \rightarrow 0 & -20 & -20 & 40 & 40 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{2x} \\ u_{3x} \\ u_{3y} \\ u_{ux} \\ u_{uy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right.$$

Identical rows → singular matrix

## Physical explanation

Adding a new node the number of DOFs has increased from 3 to 5.



Considering these BCs, only three DOFs are fixed, and thus the ~~structure~~ previous structure now is a mechanism.

With this example, it is shown that by increasing the nodes we do not achieve better results, but we introduce new DOFs that ~~do not~~ modify the behaviour of the structure.