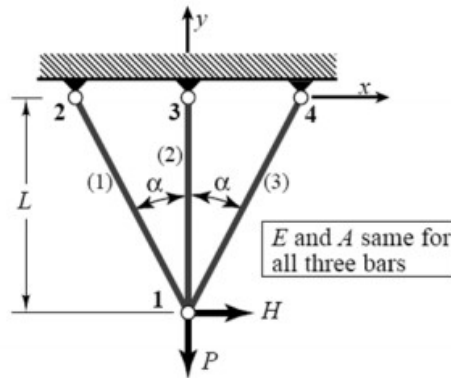


ASSIGNMENT 1.
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We have the truss problem with the geometric measures L and α angle and the applied forces shown in next figure:



It has 8 degrees of freedom, with 6 of them removable by the fixed displacement conditions at nodes 2, 3 and 4.

We follow the **direct stiffness method** to solve this problem.

Breakdown:

In the figure is shown the **idealization**, and the **loads and supports** are also shown.

We can think in this problem as three elements, also shown in figure as (1), (2) and (3). (**Disconnection and localization** steps).

Member element formation:

We solve each of these three elements separately.

For each element:

$$\bar{u}^e = u^{e'} = T^e u^e$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{xi}' \\ u_{yi}' \\ u_{xj}' \\ u_{yj}' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ 0 & 0 & -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{xj} \\ u_{yj} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f^e = (T^e)^T f^{e'}$$

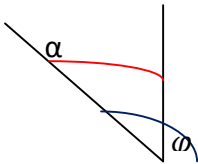
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$$K^e = (T^e)^T K^e T^e$$

$$E^1 = E^2 = E^3 = E$$

$$A^1 = A = A^3 = A$$

Element (1):



$$\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2} + \alpha$$

$\cos \varphi = -\sin \alpha = -s$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$\sin \varphi = \cos \alpha = c$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$$f_{x1} = u_{x1} - u_{x2}$$

$$f_{y1} = 0$$

$$f_{x2} = -u_{x1} + u_{x2}$$

$$f_{y2} = 0$$

So:

$$K^1 = \frac{EA}{L^1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

And we substitute $\cos \varphi = -s$ and $\sin \varphi = c$ in $(T^1)^T$ and (T^1) so we get:

$$K^1 = (T^1)^T K^1 T^1 = \frac{EA}{L^1} \begin{pmatrix} -s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & -s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & -s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -s & -c & 0 & 0 \\ c & -s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -s & -c \\ 0 & 0 & c & -s \end{pmatrix} =$$

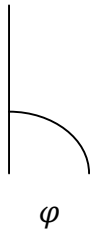
$$\frac{EA}{L^1} \begin{pmatrix} -s & 0 & s & 0 \\ -c & 0 & c & 0 \\ s & 0 & -s & 0 \\ c & 0 & -c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -s & -c & 0 & 0 \\ c & -s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -s & -c \\ 0 & 0 & c & -s \end{pmatrix}$$

And $L^1 = \frac{L}{c}$

Finally:

$$K^1 = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} s^2c & -sc^2 & -s^2c & sc^2 \\ -sc^2 & c^3 & sc^2 & -c^3 \\ -s^2c & sc^2 & s^2c & -sc^2 \\ sc^2 & -c^3 & -sc^2 & c^3 \end{pmatrix} (s \rightarrow -s)$$

Element (2):



Now

$$\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ so:}$$

$\cos \varphi = c = 0$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$\sin \varphi = s = 1$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$$f_{x1} = 0$$

$$f_{y1} = u_{y1} - u_{y3}$$

$$f_{x3} = 0$$

$$f_{y3} = -u_{y1} + u_{y3}$$

So:

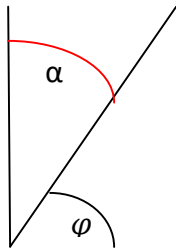
$$K^2 = \frac{EA}{L^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

And we substitute $\cos \varphi = -s = 0$ and $\sin \varphi = c = 1$ in $(T^1)^T$ and (T^1) so we get:

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

$$L^2 = \frac{L}{c} = L$$

Element (3):



$$\varphi = \frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha$$

$\cos \varphi = \sin \alpha = s$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$\sin \varphi = \cos \alpha = c$ (for simplicity in the notation)

$$f_{x1} = u_{x1} - u_{x4}$$

$$f_{y1} = 0$$

$$f_{x4} = -u_{x1} + u_{x4}$$

$$f_{y4} = 0$$

So:

$$K^3 = \frac{EA}{L^1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

And we substitute $\text{Cos } \varphi = s$ and $\text{Sin } \varphi = c$ in $(T^3)^T$ and (T^3) so we get:

$$K^3 = (T^3)^T K^3 T^3 = \frac{EA}{L^1} \begin{pmatrix} s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s & -c & 0 & 0 \\ c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & -c \\ 0 & 0 & c & s \end{pmatrix}$$

And $L^3 = \frac{L}{c}$

Finally:

$$K^3 = \frac{EA}{L^3} \begin{pmatrix} s & 0 & -s & 0 \\ -c & 0 & c & 0 \\ -s & 0 & s & 0 \\ c & 0 & -c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s & -c & 0 & 0 \\ c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & -c \\ 0 & 0 & c & s \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$= \frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} s^2c & sc^2 & -s^2c & -sc^2 \\ sc^2 & c^3 & -sc^2 & -c^3 \\ -s^2c & -sc^2 & s^2c & sc^2 \\ -sc^2 & -c^3 & sc^2 & c^3 \end{pmatrix} (s \rightarrow -s)$$

Assembly:

element 1:

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_{x1} \\ f_{y1} \\ f_{x2} \\ f_{y2} \\ f_{x3} \\ f_{y3} \\ f_{x4} \\ f_{y4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} s^2c & -sc^2 & -s^2c & sc^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -sc^2 & c^3 & sc^2 & -c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -s^2c & sc^2 & s^2c & -sc^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ sc^2 & -c^3 & -sc^2 & c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{pmatrix}$$

element 2:

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_{x1} \\ f_{y1} \\ f_{x2} \\ f_{y2} \\ f_{x3} \\ f_{y3} \\ f_{x4} \\ f_{y4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{pmatrix}$$

element 3:

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_{x1} \\ f_{y1} \\ f_{x2} \\ f_{y2} \\ f_{x3} \\ f_{y3} \\ f_{x4} \\ f_{y4} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} s^2c & sc^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -s^2c & -sc^2 \\ sc^2 & c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & s^2c & -c^3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -s^2 & -sc^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & s^2c & sc^2 \\ -sc^2 & -c^3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & sc^2 & c^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{x1} \\ u_{y1} \\ u_{x2} \\ u_{y2} \\ u_{x3} \\ u_{y3} \\ u_{x4} \\ u_{y4} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f = f^{(1)} + f^{(2)} + f^{(3)} = (K^{(1)} + K^{(2)} + K^{(3)})u = K u$$

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

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The 5th row and column only contain zeros because they are related with the x component of the node 3, element 2, which has not any force acting in the x direction so no x direction displacement, just elongation in y direction.

Boundary conditions (BC):

According to the prescribed conditions, nodes 2, 3 and 4 are fixed, so:

$$\mathbf{u}_{x2} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{y2} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{x3} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{y3} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{x4} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{y4} = 0$$

And we obtain:

$$\frac{EA}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 2s^2c & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + 2c^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{x1} \\ \mathbf{u}_{y1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} H \\ -P \end{pmatrix}$$

reducing the stiffness system 8x8 to a 2x2 system:

$$\frac{EA}{L} 2s^2c u_{x1} = H$$

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

So we can now solve the displacements u_{x1} and u_{y1} :

$$u_{x1} = \frac{HL}{2EAs^2c}$$

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

Let's check this solutions in the limit cases $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ and $\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2$

$$u_{x1} = \frac{HL}{2EA \sin^2 \alpha \cos \alpha}$$

$$u_{y1} = \frac{-PL}{EA(1 + 2\cos^2 \alpha)}$$

When $\alpha \rightarrow 0$: ($\cos \alpha \rightarrow 1$, $\sin \alpha \rightarrow 0$)

$$u_{x1} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$u_{y1} \rightarrow \frac{-PL}{3EA}$$

If $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ there is just one bar in the Y axis, so **no displacement can exist along x direction**. Just in y direction. So this has not physical sense.

This solution, with $H \neq 0$, physically can be interpreted such as **any force H (includes very small forces) applied in the x direction will cause an infinite displacement in X direction, which has no sense**.

When $\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2$: ($\cos \alpha \rightarrow 0, \sin \alpha \rightarrow 1$):

$$u_{x1} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$u_{y1} \rightarrow \frac{-PL}{EA}$$

This would be the case in which the distance from node 3 to 1 or 4 would be infinite. And node 1 will be in node 2. Now there is just one bar along the X axis, so **no displacement can exist along x direction**. Just in y direction. **So this has not physical sense**, again.

So this system has **not physical sense** for $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ and $\alpha \rightarrow \pi/2$:

For both cases should happens:

$$u_{x1} \rightarrow 0$$

And ($H=0$):

$$u_{y1} \rightarrow \frac{-P}{3EA} \text{ (for } \alpha \rightarrow 0 \text{)}$$

$$u_{y1} \rightarrow \frac{-PL}{EA} \text{ (for } \alpha \rightarrow \pi/2 \text{)}$$

Axial forces:

So we have an axial force for each of the 3 elements:

$$\bar{u}_e = T_e u_e$$

$$d_e = \bar{u}_{xj}^e - \bar{u}_{xi}^e$$

$$F_e = \frac{EA}{L} \cdot d_e$$

where d_e is the elongation and F_e then the axial force.

$$\bar{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{HL}{2EAs^2c} \\ \frac{-PL}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\frac{HL}{2EAsc} + \frac{-PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)}, \frac{-HL}{2EAs^2} - \frac{PLs}{EA(1+2c^3)}, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$d_1 = \bar{u}_{x2} - \bar{u}_{x1} = 0 - \frac{HL}{2EAsc} + \frac{PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)} = \frac{L}{EA} \left(\frac{-H}{2s} + \frac{Pc}{1+2c^3} \right)$$

$$L^{(1)} = \frac{L}{c}, \quad l = L^{(1)}c$$

$$F^{(1)} = \frac{EA}{L} \cdot \frac{L}{EA} \left(\frac{-H}{2sc} + \frac{Pc}{1+2c^3} \right) = \frac{EA}{L^{(1)}} \cdot \frac{L^{(1)}c}{EA} \left(\frac{-H}{2sc} + \frac{Pc}{1+2c^3} \right) = \frac{-H}{2s} + \frac{Pc^2}{1+2c^3}$$

$$\bar{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{HL}{2EAs^2c} \\ \frac{-PL}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\frac{-PL}{EA(1+2c^3)}, \frac{-HL}{2EAs^2c}, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$d_2 = \bar{u}_{x2} - \bar{u}_{x1} = 0 - \frac{-PL}{EA(1+2c^3)}$$

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

$$F^{(2)} = \frac{EA}{L} \frac{PL}{EA(1+2c^3)} = \frac{P}{(1+2c^3)}$$

$$L^{(3)} = \frac{L}{c}, \quad l = L^{(3)}c$$

$$\bar{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} s & c & 0 & 0 \\ -c & s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s & c \\ 0 & 0 & -c & s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{HL}{2EAs^2c} \\ \frac{-PL}{EA(1+2c^3)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \left(\frac{-PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)} + \frac{HL}{2EAsc}, \frac{-PLs}{EA(1+2c^3)} + \frac{HL}{2EAs^2}, 0, 0 \right)$$

$$d_3 = \bar{u}_{x2} - \bar{u}_{x1} = 0 - \left(\frac{-PLc}{EA(1+2c^3)} + \frac{HL}{2EAsc} \right) = -\frac{L^{(3)}c}{EA} \left(\frac{-Pc}{(1+2c^3)} + \frac{H}{2sc} \right)$$

$$F^{(3)} = \frac{EA}{L^{(3)}} \cdot \left(-\frac{L^{(3)}c}{EA}\right) \left(\frac{-Pc}{(1+2c^3)} + \frac{H}{2sc}\right) = \frac{Pc^2}{(1+2c^3)} - \frac{H}{2s}$$

As we have seen $F^{(3)} = F^{(1)} = \frac{-H}{2s} + \frac{Pc^2}{1+2c^3}$

If $H \neq 0$ and $\alpha \rightarrow 0$:

$s \rightarrow 0$ and $c \rightarrow 1$

So both $F^{(3)}$ and $F^{(1)} \rightarrow \infty$

This is because in this case we have just one bar and H is perpendicular to this bar, and we only would have P contribution. So H must be 0 if $\alpha=0$ or $\alpha \neq 0$ if $H \neq 0$, otherwise very small applied forces in the x axis, would produce infinite axial forces.