
Finite Elements in Structural Analysis

Introduction

2 Truss and beam structures

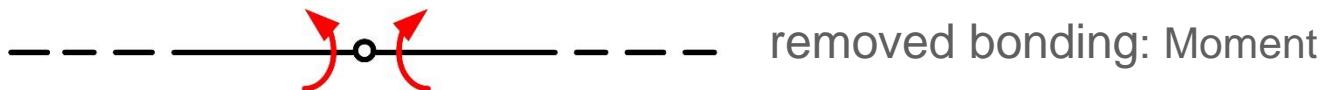
Plate and shell structures

Modeling

Hinges

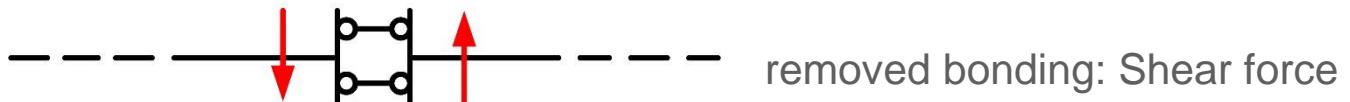
Types of hinges

Bending hinge



removed bonding: Moment

Shear force hinge



removed bonding: Shear force

Normal force hinge



removed bonding: Normal force

Torsional hinge

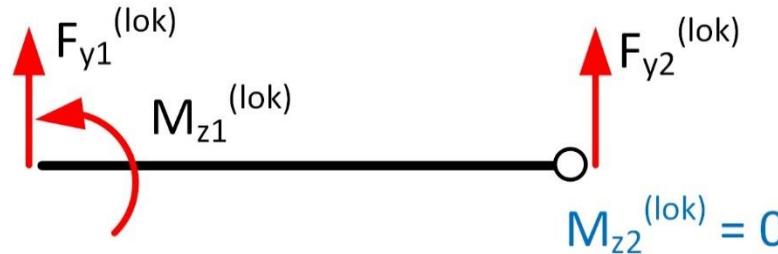


removed bonding: Torsion moment

Hinges

Example: Stiffness matrix for a bending hinge

Beam element
with a bending hinge



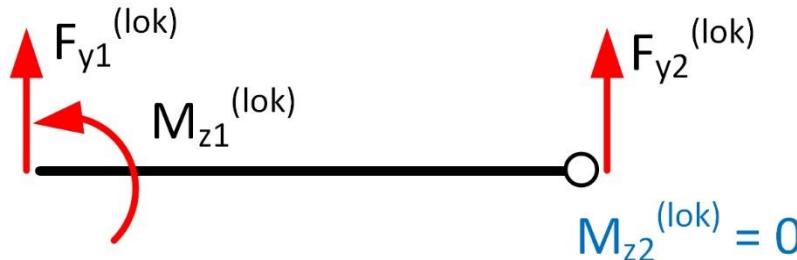
Consideration of the hinge

- The beam possesses no stiffness in the degree of freedom whose bonding (hinge) was removed.
- This requires a transformation of the stiffness matrix
- Any application of a load is not possible in the released degree of freedom

Hinges

Example: Stiffness matrix for a bending hinge

Beam element
with hinge



Stiffness matrix
without a hinge:

$$\frac{E \cdot I}{\ell} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 12/\ell^2 & 6/\ell & -12/\ell^2 & 6/\ell \\ 6/\ell & 4 & -6/\ell & 2 \\ -12/\ell^2 & -6/\ell & 12/\ell^2 & -6/\ell \\ 6/\ell & 2 & -6/\ell & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_1^{(lok)} \\ \varphi_1^{(lok)} \\ v_2^{(lok)} \\ \varphi_2^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y1}^{(lok)} \\ M_{z1}^{(lok)} \\ F_{y2}^{(lok)} \\ M_{z2}^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Row 4 for $M_{z2}^{(lok)}$ yields:

$$E \cdot I / \ell \cdot (6/\ell \cdot v_1^{(lok)} + 2 \cdot \varphi_1^{(lok)} - 6/\ell \cdot v_2^{(lok)} + 4 \cdot \varphi_2^{(lok)}) = M_{z2}^{(lok)} = 0$$

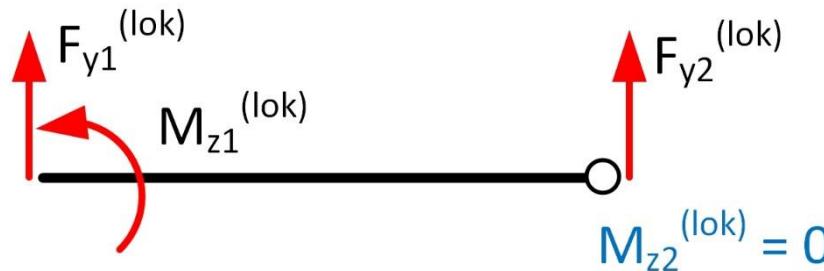
$$\rightarrow \varphi_2^{(lok)} = -3/(2 \cdot \ell) \cdot v_1^{(lok)} - 1/2 \cdot \varphi_1^{(lok)} + 3/(2 \cdot \ell) \cdot v_2^{(lok)}$$

Applying in the rows 1-3 obtain the transformed stiffness matrix

Hinges

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with hinge



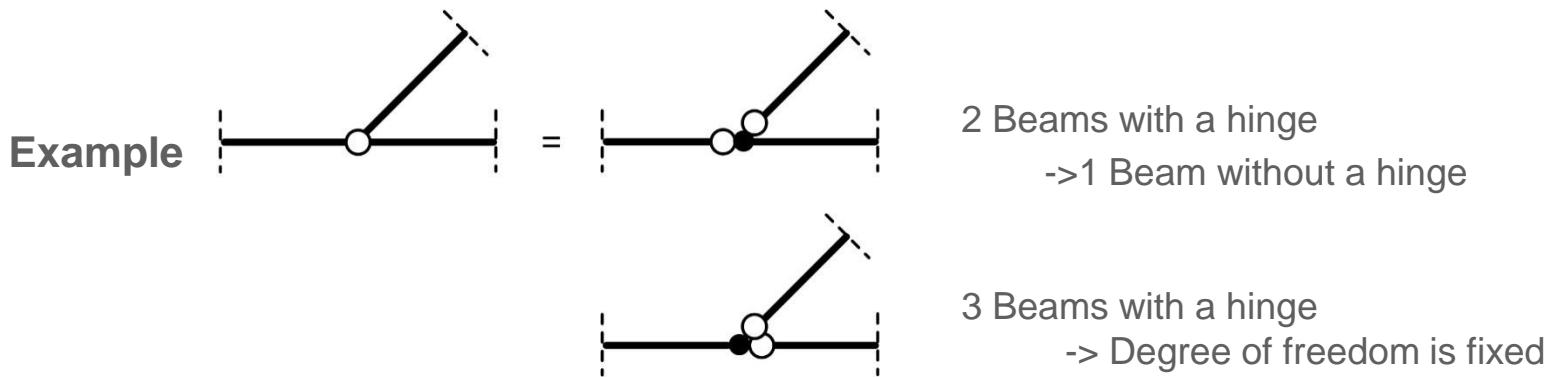
Stiffness matrix of a beam element with a bending hinge at nodal point 2:

$$\frac{E \cdot I}{l} \begin{bmatrix} 3/\ell^2 & 3/\ell & -3/\ell^2 \\ 3/\ell & 3 & -3/\ell \\ -3/\ell^2 & -3/\ell & 3/\ell^2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_1^{(lok)} \\ \varphi_1^{(lok)} \\ v_2^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y1}^{(lok)} \\ M_{z1}^{(lok)} \\ F_{y2}^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hinges

Practical hints

- Faulty definition of hinges may lead to kinematic mechanisms.
- At nodes with several adjoining beam elements with moment hinges it must be ensured that the rotational degree of freedom possesses some stiffness (i.e. it is connected to an element without a hinge) or is fixed.
- If in the analysis of a beam structure with hinges the error message „kinematic mechanism“ appears the hinge definitions must be checked carefully.



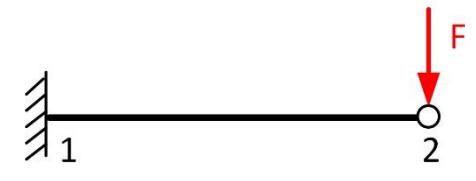
Hinges

Example: Faulty definition of a hinge at the end of a cantilever

Support Conditions

System of equations with constraints:

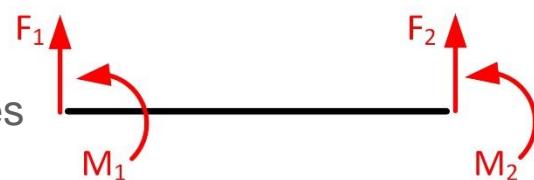
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Displacement



External forces



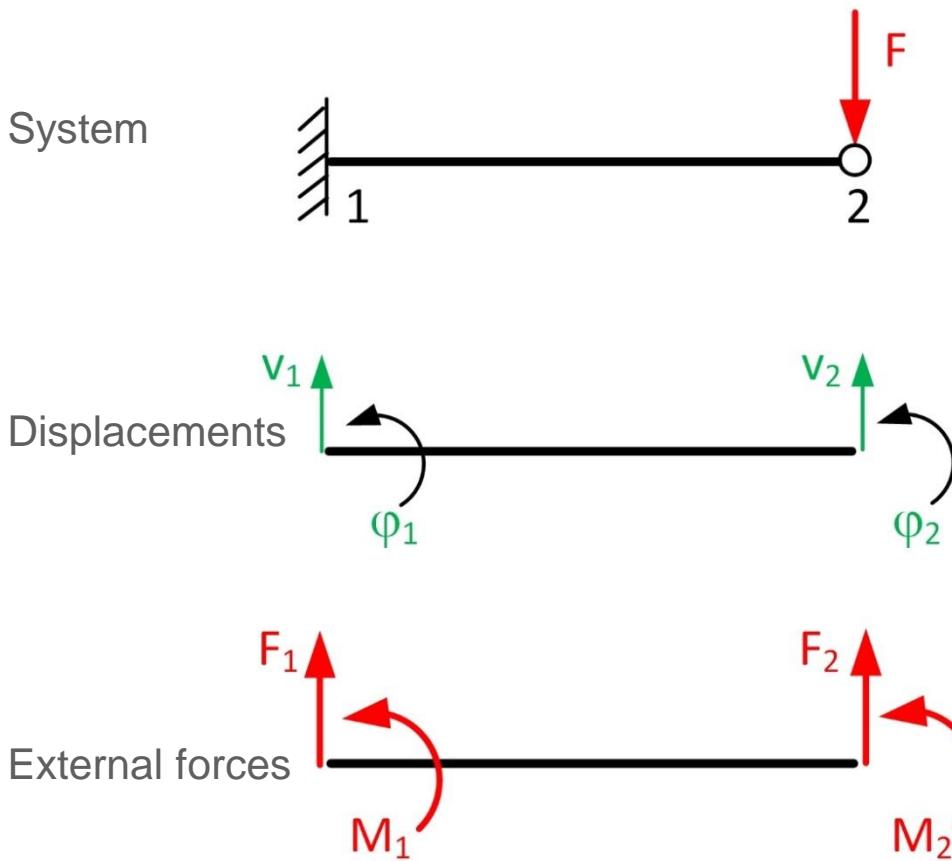
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3/\ell^2 & 3/\ell & -3/\ell^2 & 0 \\ 3/\ell & 3 & 3/\ell & 0 \\ -3/\ell^2 & -3/\ell & 3/\ell^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \phi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \phi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ M_1 \\ F_2 \\ M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v_1 = 0 \quad \phi_1 = 0$$

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Hinges

Example: Faulty definition of a hinge at the end of a cantilever



System of equations:

$$EI \begin{bmatrix} 3/\ell^2 & 0 \\ \ell & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \phi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_2 \\ M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Properties of the system of equations:

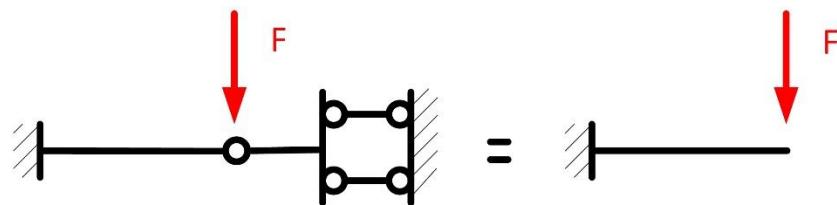
- Singular stiffness matrix
- System of equations cannot be solved
- Application of a moment M_2 is not meaningful

Hinges

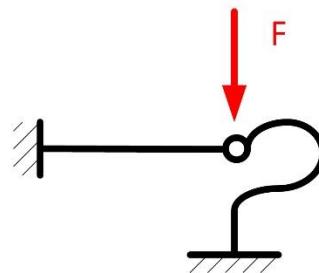
Example: Faulty definition of a hinge at the end of a cantilever

Remedies:

a) Fixing of the degree of freedom



b) Rigid rotational spring at point 2



$$\frac{EI}{\ell} \begin{bmatrix} 3/\ell^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_2 \\ M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$F_2 = -F$
 $\varphi_2 = 0$

$$3 \cdot EI / \ell^3 \cdot v_2 = -F$$

$v_2 = -\frac{F \cdot \ell^3}{3 \cdot EI}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot EI / \ell^3 & 0 \\ 0 & k_\varphi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -F \\ M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

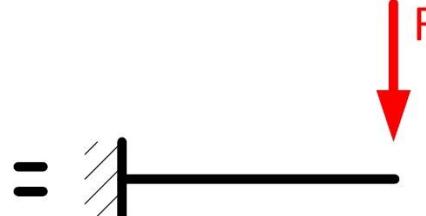
Regular stiffness matrix

Hinges

Example: Faulty definition of a hinge at the end of a cantilever

Remedies:

c) Elimination of the (faulty) hinge definition



$$= \begin{matrix} \text{Diagram of a cantilever beam fixed at the left end and subjected to a downward force } F \text{ at its free end.} \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{E \cdot I}{\ell} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 12/\ell^2 & 6/\ell & -12/\ell^2 & 6/\ell \\ 6/\ell & 4 & -6/\ell & 2 \\ -12/\ell^2 & -6/\ell & 12/\ell^2 & -6/\ell \\ 6/\ell & 2 & -6/\ell & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y1} \\ M_{z1} \\ F_{y2} \\ M_{z2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Global stiffness matrix

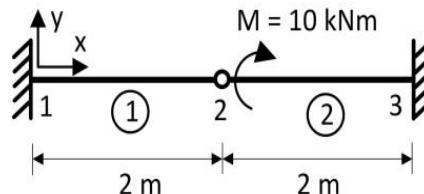
$$\frac{EI}{\ell} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 12/\ell^2 & -6/\ell \\ -6/\ell & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y2} \\ M_{z2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \bullet \quad \text{Stiffness matrix is regular}$$

Hinges

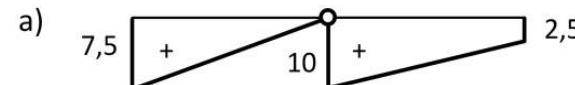
Example: Two beam elements with a bending hinge

Hinge definition

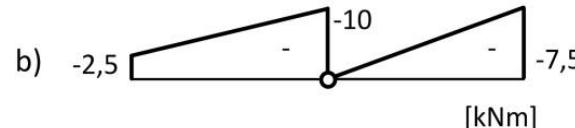
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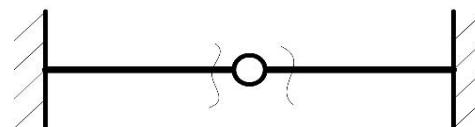
Hinge in beam 1



Hinge in beam 2



Hinge in beam 1 + 2



Consequence

Moment M is introduced as nodal load for nodal point 2

M applied on beam element 2

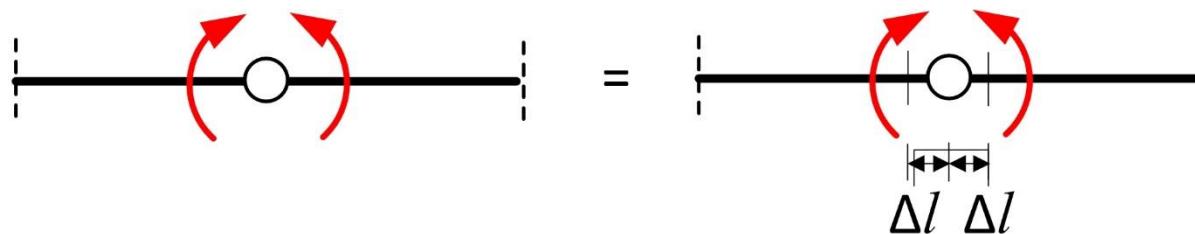
M applied on beam element 1

No moment diagram!

Forbidden kinematic mechanism for Φ_2

Hinges

Example: Moment pair acting at a bending hinge



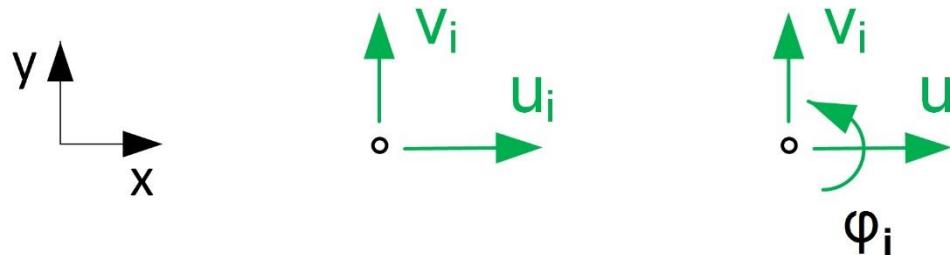
Problem: At the nodal point the moment pair cannot be applied.

Solution:

- Insert two short beams e.g. $\Delta l = 1\text{cm}$
- Define moments as element loads at both beam elements.

Degrees of freedom of plane truss and beam systems

2D systems



2 degrees of freedom for each nodal point: u_i and v_i

Nodal points which are connected only with truss elements and displacement springs.

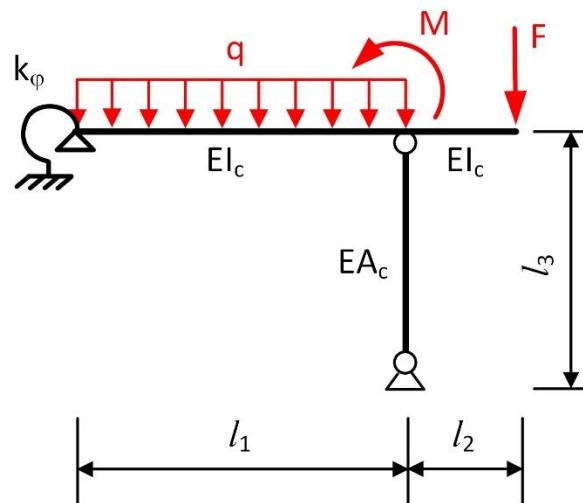
3 Degrees of freedom for each nodal point: u_i , v_i and φ_i

Nodal points which are connected with beam elements or rotation springs.

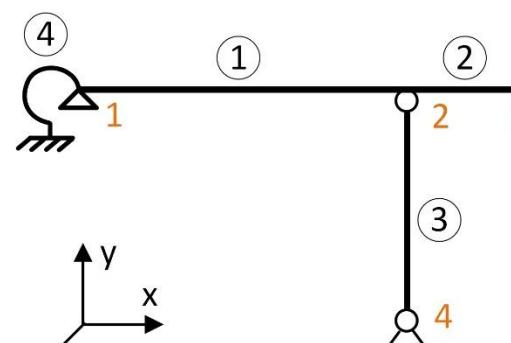
All other degrees of freedom are to be fixed in order to avoid a singular global stiffness matrix.

Example: Structural system

System



Nodal points and elements



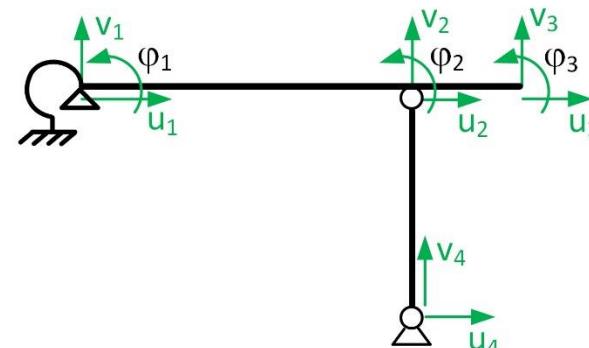
Element types

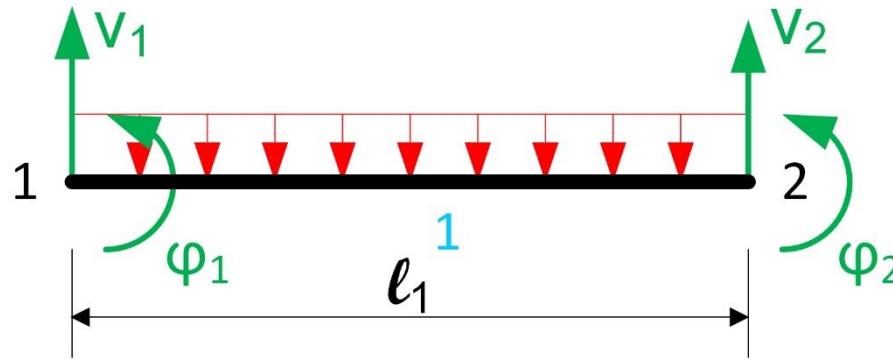
Elements 1,2 : Beam elements

Element 3 : Truss element

Element 4 : Spring element

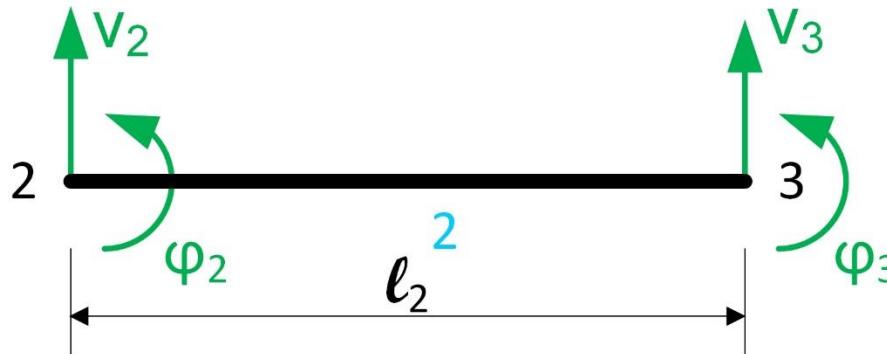
Degrees of freedom



Example: Structural system**Element 1: Stiffness matrix of a beam element**

$$\frac{E \cdot I_c}{\ell_1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & 2 \\ -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & \frac{12}{\ell_1^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} \\ 2 & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{z1}^{(1)} \\ F_{y2}^{(1)} \\ M_{z2}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{q \cdot \ell_1^2}{12} \\ \frac{q \cdot \ell_1}{2} \\ -\frac{q \cdot \ell_1^2}{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

Restraint condition $v_1=0$
already considered in
the element stiffness
matrix

Example: Structural system**Element 2: Stiffness matrix of a beam element**

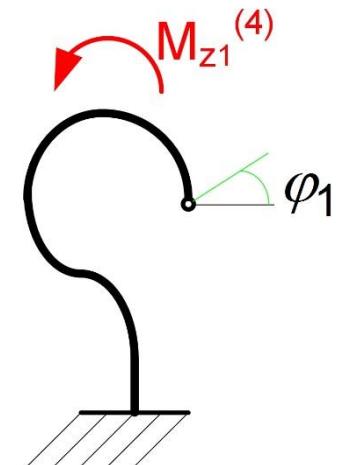
$$\frac{E \cdot I_c}{\ell_2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & \frac{6}{\ell_2} & -\frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & \frac{6}{\ell_2} \\ \frac{6}{\ell_2} & 4 & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & 2 \\ -\frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & \frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} \\ \frac{6}{\ell_2} & 2 & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \varphi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y2}^{(2)} \\ M_{z2}^{(2)} \\ F_{y3}^{(2)} \\ M_{z3}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Structural system**Element 3: Stiffness matrix of a truss element**

$$\frac{E \cdot A_c}{\ell_3} \cdot v_2 = F_{y2}^{(3)}$$

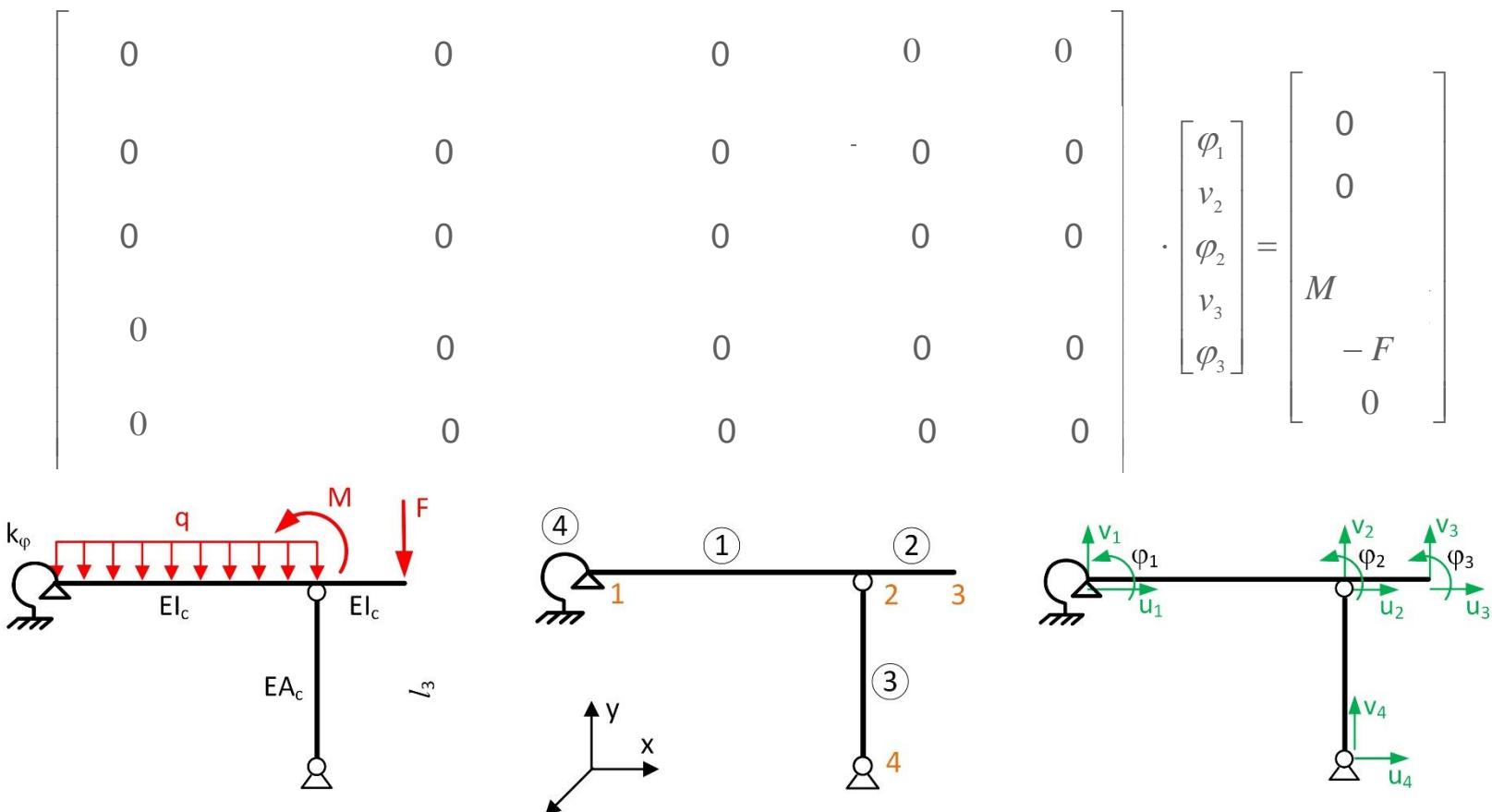
**Element 4: Stiffness of a rotational spring**

$$M_{z1}^{(4)} = k_\phi \cdot \phi_1$$



Example: Structural system**Matrix with restraints:**

$$u_1 = 0 \quad u_2 = 0 \quad u_3 = 0 \quad v_1 = 0 \quad u_4 = 0 \quad v_4 = 0$$



Example: Structural system**Addition of element 1**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 2 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1^2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 2 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 4 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \varphi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -q \cdot \frac{l_1}{2} \\ M + q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -F \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $c_1 = EI_c/l_1$ and $c_2 = EI_c/l_2$

Element 1

Example: Structural system**Addition of element 2**

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 4 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & & & \\
 -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1^2} + 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & & & \\
 & & 2 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\
 2 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & & & \\
 0 & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & & & \\
 0 & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & & &
 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix}
 \varphi_1 \\
 v_2 \\
 \varphi_2 \\
 v_3 \\
 \varphi_3
 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}
 -q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\
 -q \cdot \frac{l_1}{2} \\
 M + q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\
 -F \\
 0
 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $c_1 = EI_c / l_1$ and $c_2 = EI_c / l_2$

Element 2

Example: Structural system**Addition of element 3**

$$\begin{bmatrix} +4 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 2 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1^2} + 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} + \frac{EA_c}{l_3} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\ 2 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_1 + 4 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 \\ 0 & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\ 0 & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \varphi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -q \cdot \frac{l_1}{2} \\ M + q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -F \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

with $c_1 = EI_c / l_1$ and $c_2 = EI_c / l_2$

Element 3

Example: Structural system**Addition of element 4**

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 k_\varphi + 4 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 2 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\
 -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1^2} + 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} + \frac{EA_c}{l_3} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\
 2 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_1 + 4 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 \\
 0 & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\
 0 & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_2
 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \varphi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -q \cdot \frac{l_1}{2} \\ M + q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -F \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

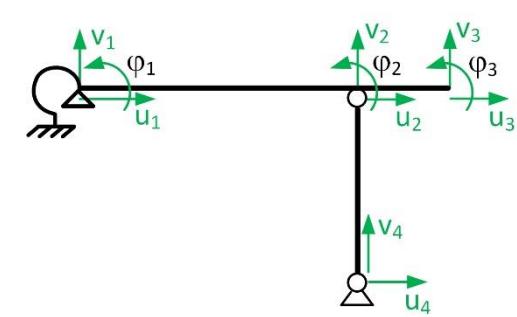
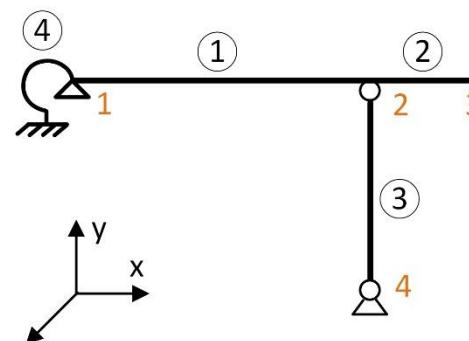
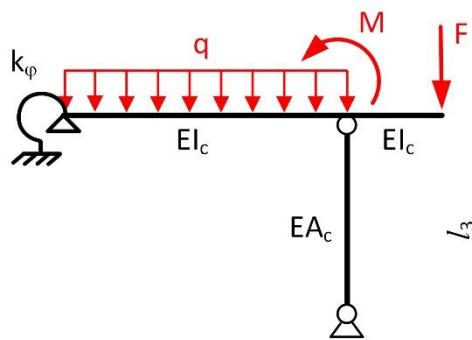
with $c_1 = EI_c / l_1$ and $c_2 = EI_c / l_2$

Element 4

Example: Structural system

Global stiffness matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 k_\varphi + 4 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 2 \cdot c_1 & 0 & 0 \\
 -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1^2} + 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2^2} + \frac{EA_c}{l_3} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\
 2 \cdot c_1 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_1}{l_1} + 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_1 + 4 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 \\
 0 & -12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 12 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} \\
 0 & 6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 2 \cdot c_2 & -6 \cdot \frac{c_2}{l_2} & 4 \cdot c_2
 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \varphi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -q \cdot \frac{l_1}{2} \\ M + q \cdot \frac{l_1^2}{12} \\ -F \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



3D Truss element

Element stiffness matrix

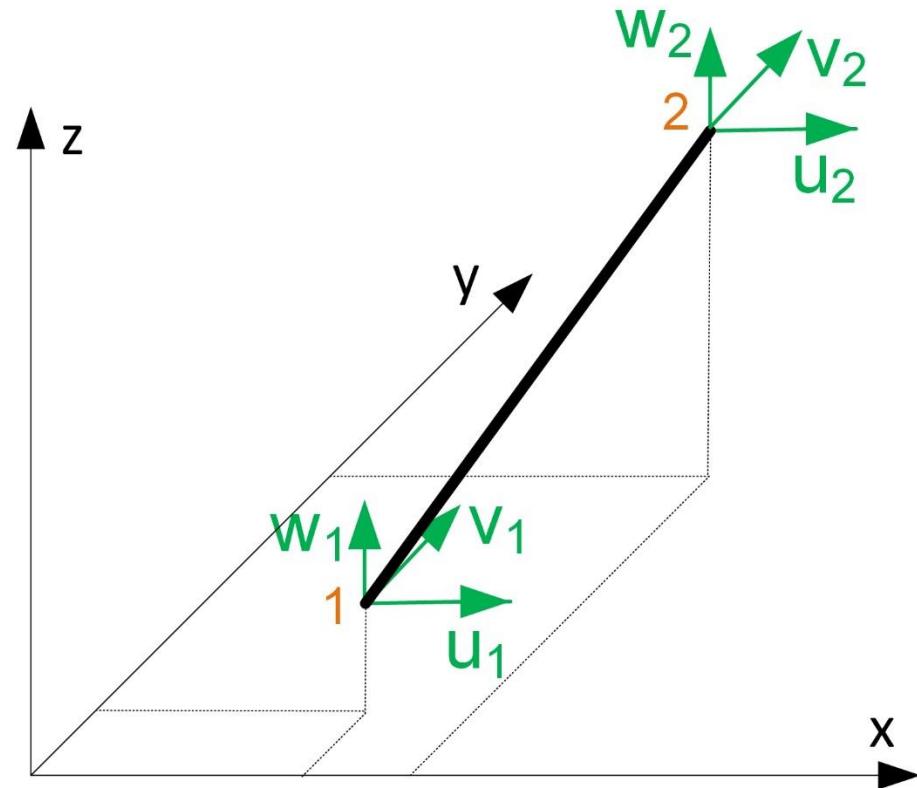
3 degrees of freedom at each nodal point:

→ 6 x 6 Matrix

Derivation:

- 3D coordinate transformation of the local stiffness matrix

$$\underline{K}_{3D} = \underline{T}_{3D}^T \cdot \underline{K}^{(lok)} \cdot \underline{T}_{3D}$$



3D Beam element

Element stiffness matrix

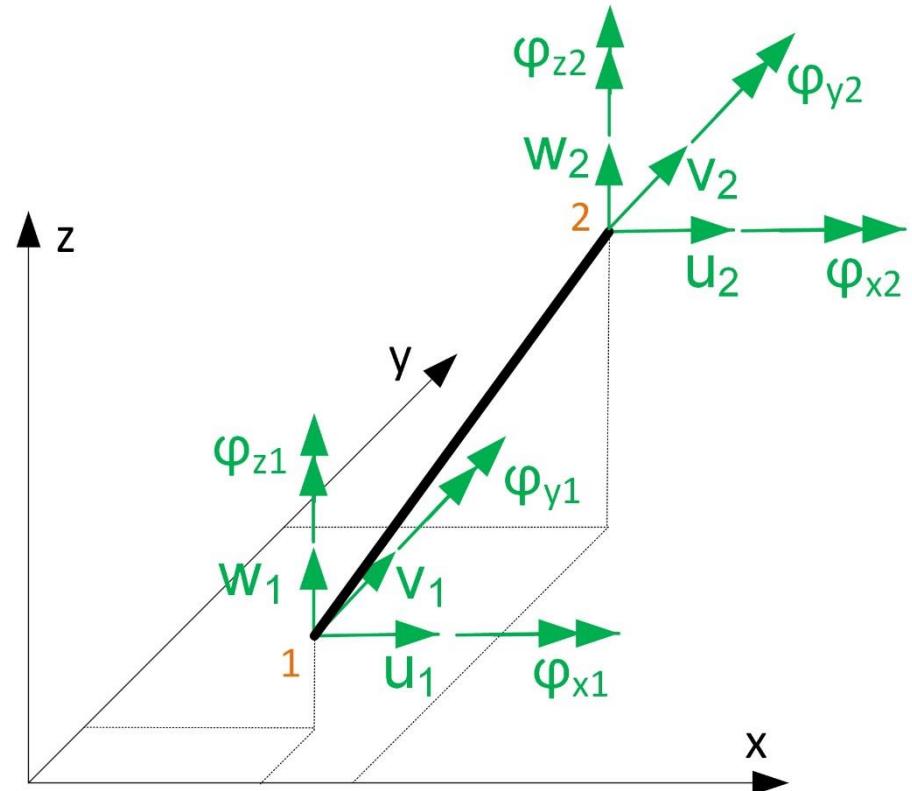
6 degrees of freedom at each nodal point

→ 12 x 12 Matrix

Derivation

- Augmentation of the two-dimensional local stiffness matrix by transverse bending and torsion.
- 3D coordinate transformation

$$\underline{K}_{3D} = \underline{T}_{3D}^T \cdot \underline{K}^{(lok)} \cdot \underline{T}_{3D}$$



3D Beam element

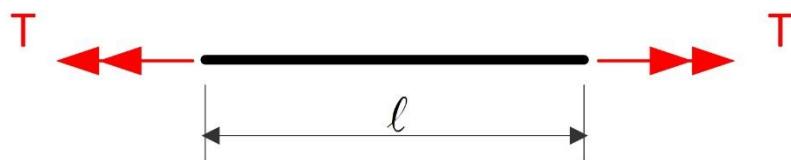
Stiffness matrix of an element subjected to torsion (St. Venant)



$$\varphi = (\Phi_{x2}^{(lok)} - \Phi_{x1}^{(lok)}) = \frac{\ell}{G \cdot I_T} \cdot T$$



$$M_{x1}^{(lok)} = -T = \frac{G \cdot I_T}{\ell} \cdot (\Phi_{x1}^{(lok)} - \Phi_{x2}^{(lok)})$$

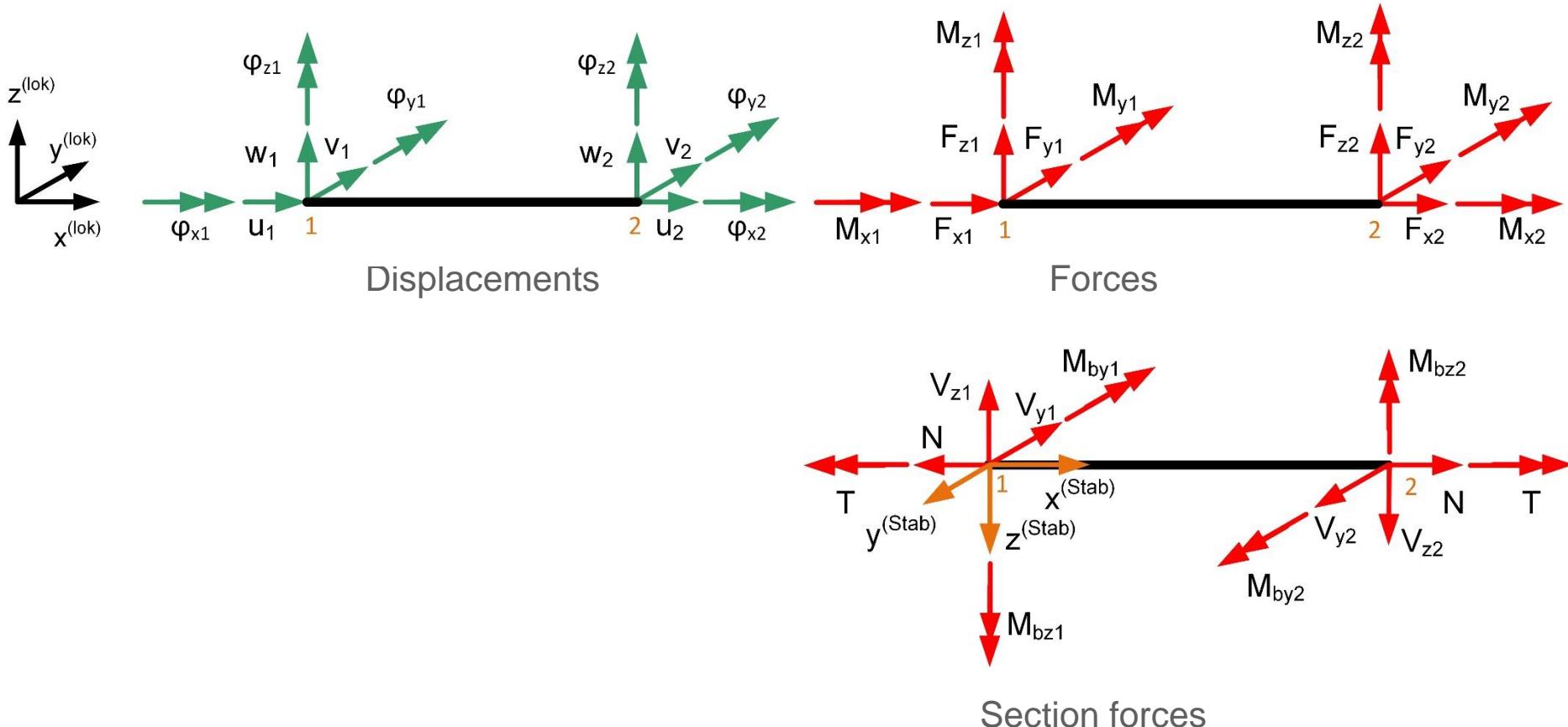


$$M_{x2}^{(lok)} = T = \frac{G \cdot I_T}{\ell} \cdot (-\Phi_{x1}^{(lok)} + \Phi_{x2}^{(lok)})$$

$$\frac{G \cdot I_T}{\ell} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{x1}^{(lok)} \\ \Phi_{x2}^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{x1}^{(lok)} \\ M_{x2}^{(lok)} \end{bmatrix}$$

3D Beam element

Displacements and forces



3D Beam element

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 \frac{E \cdot A}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{E \cdot A}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & \frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} & 0 & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & -\frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} \\
 0 & 0 & \frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^3} & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^3} & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{G \cdot I_T}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{G \cdot I_T}{I} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 & \frac{4 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I} & 0 & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 & \frac{2 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I} & 0 \\
 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{4 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I} & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I} \\
 -\frac{E \cdot A}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{E \cdot A}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & -\frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} & 0 & \frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^3} \\
 0 & 0 & -\frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^3} & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{12 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^3} & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{G \cdot I_T}{I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{G \cdot I_T}{I} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 & \frac{2 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I} & 0 & 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I^2} & 0 & \frac{4 \cdot E \cdot I_y}{I} & 0 \\
 0 & \frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{2 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I} & 0 & -\frac{6 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I^2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{4 \cdot E \cdot I_z}{I}
 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ \varphi_{x1} \\ \varphi_{y1} \\ \varphi_{z1} \\ u_2 \\ v_2 \\ w_2 \\ \varphi_{x2} \\ \varphi_{y2} \\ \varphi_{z2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{x1} \\ F_{y1} \\ F_{z1} \\ M_{x1} \\ M_{y1} \\ M_{z1} \\ F_{x2} \\ F_{y2} \\ F_{z2} \\ M_{x2} \\ M_{y2} \\ M_{z2} \end{bmatrix}$$

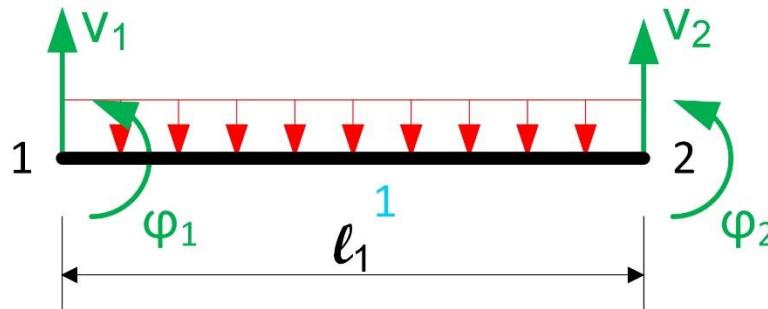
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Introduction

2 Truss and beam structures

Plate and shell structures

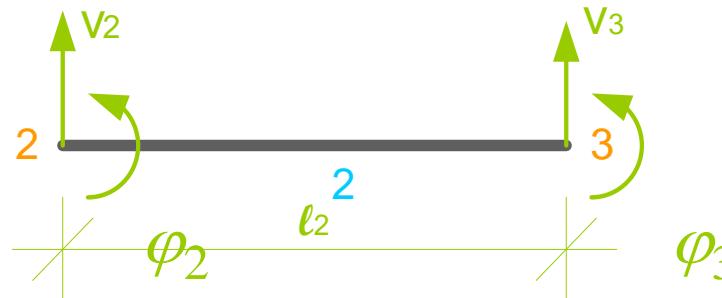
Modeling

Example: Structural system**Element 1: Stiffness matrix of a beam element**

$$\frac{E \cdot I_c}{\ell_1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & 2 \\ -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & \frac{12}{\ell_1^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} \\ 2 & -\frac{6}{\ell_1} & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ v_2 \\ \varphi_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{z1}^{(1)} \\ F_{y2}^{(1)} \\ M_{z2}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{q \cdot \ell_1^2}{12} \\ \frac{q \cdot \ell_1}{2} \\ -\frac{q \cdot \ell_1^2}{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

Restraint condition $v_1=0$
already considered in
the element stiffness
matrix



Example: Structural system**Element 2: Stiffness matrix of a beam element**

$$\frac{E \cdot I_c}{\ell_2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & \frac{6}{\ell_2} & -\frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & \frac{6}{\ell_2} \\ \frac{6}{\ell_2} & 4 & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & 2 \\ -\frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & \frac{12}{\ell_2^2} & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} \\ \frac{6}{\ell_2} & 2 & -\frac{6}{\ell_2} & 4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} v_2 \\ \phi_2 \\ v_3 \\ \phi_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{y2}^{(2)} \\ M_{z2}^{(2)} \\ F_{y3}^{(2)} \\ M_{z3}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$



Example: Structural system**Element 3: Stiffness matrix of a truss element**

$$\frac{E \cdot A_c}{\ell_3} \cdot v_2 = F_{y2}^{(3)}$$

Element 4: Stiffness of a rotational spring

$$M_{z1}^{(4)} = k_\phi \cdot \phi_1$$

