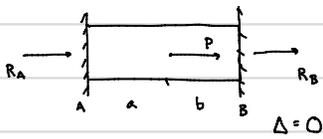
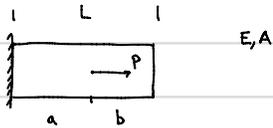


How to handle loads
 NOT applied at DOFs?
 e.g. self-weight

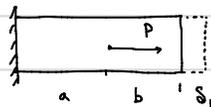
Matrix Displacement Method (MDM) "discretizes"
 structures into elements with loads applied
 at degrees of freedom (nodes).

Equivalent nodal loading is determined from
 technique known by Fixed-end-forces (FEF).

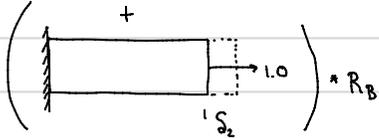


Fixed End Forces

= * Use force superposition *



Remove redundant reaction (apply loading)

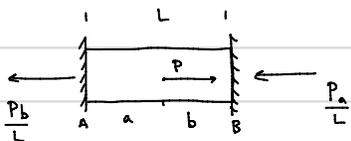


Apply scaled unit reaction

Displacement compatibility: $\Delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2 = 0$ $\delta = \frac{PL}{EA}$ $\delta_1 = \frac{P_a}{EA}$ $\delta_2 = \left(\frac{1.0L}{EA}\right) * R_B$

$\frac{P_a}{EA} + \frac{R_B L}{EA} = 0$ $\therefore R_B = -\frac{P_a}{L}$

Using overall force equilibrium: $\sum F_x = 0$ $R_A + R_B + P = 0$ $R_A - \frac{P_a}{L} + P = 0$



$R_A = \frac{P_a}{L} - P = \frac{P_a - PL}{L} = -\frac{P(L-a)}{L} = -\frac{Pb}{L}$

* Member level *
 $\{Q\} = [k]\{U\}$ w/o interior loads
 $\{Q\} = \{Q_f\} + [k]\{U\}$ w/ interior loading

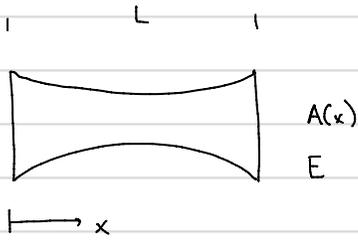
* Structural Level *
 $\{P - P_f\} = [S]\{d\}$



$\{Q - Q_f\} = [k]\{U\}$
 member-end forces fixed end forces from interior loads
 (negative sign = opposite direction of reactions)

force vector for external loads applied at DOFs assemble fixed-end-force vector from member-level Qf contributions

Non-prismatic Bar



$$\sigma = E \epsilon$$

$$\sigma = \frac{P(x)}{A(x)}$$

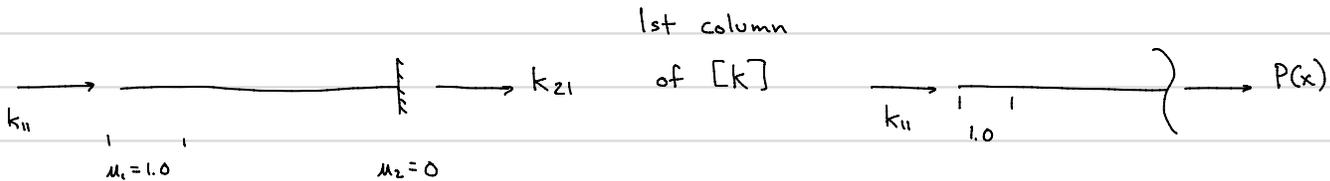
$$\epsilon = \frac{d\bar{u}_x}{dx} \quad \bar{u}_x = \text{axial deformation}$$

$$\frac{d\bar{u}_x}{dx} = \frac{P(x)}{EA(x)}$$

$$\bar{u}_x = \int \frac{P(x)}{EA(x)} dx$$

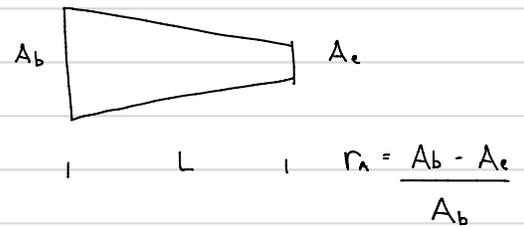
homogeneous
linear elastic (Hook's Law)

2 DOF uniaxial element



$$\sum F_x = 0 \quad P(x) = -k_{11} * 1.0 \quad (\text{stiffness} \times \text{displacement})$$

$$\bar{u}_x = \int \frac{P(x)}{EA(x)} dx = \frac{1}{E} \int \frac{-k_{11}}{A(x)} dx$$



$$\bar{u}_x = \frac{1}{E} \int \frac{-k_{11}}{A_b \left(1 - \frac{r_A x}{L}\right)} dx$$

$$A(x) = A_b \left(1 - \frac{r_A x}{L}\right)$$

$$* \quad \bar{u}_x = \frac{-k_{11}}{EA_b} \ln \left(1 - \frac{r_A x}{L}\right) \frac{-L}{r_A} + C$$

linearly varying area (tapered bar)

$$\text{B.C.s at } x=0 \quad \bar{u}_x = u_1 = 1.0$$

$$x=L \quad \bar{u}_x = u_2 = 0$$

from 1st B.C. $C = 1.0$ $\ln(1) = 0$

2nd B.C. $0 = \frac{k_{11} L}{E A b r_a} \ln(1 - r_a) + 1.0$

solve for $k_{11} = - \frac{E A b r_a}{L \ln(1 - r_a)}$

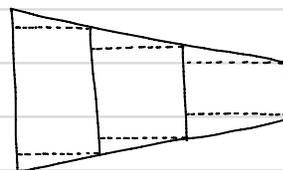
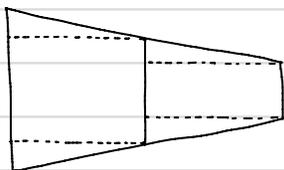
from equilibrium $\sum F_x = 0$ $k_{11} + k_{21} = 0$ $\therefore k_{21} = \frac{E A b r_a}{L \ln(1 - r_a)}$

similarly column 2 of the stiffness matrix ($u_2 = 1.0, u_1 = 0$) can be derived to obtain

$$[k] = \frac{E A b r_a}{L \ln(1 - r_a)} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exact stiffness matrix for linearly tapered (area) bar element

where $r_a = \frac{A_b - A_e}{A_b}$



Finite-Element Concept!

Approximate solutions can be obtained by using multiple prismatic bar elements

Closer approximations by subdividing into more elements (h-refinement)