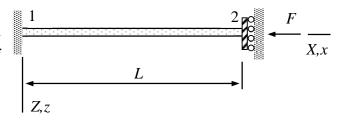
Assignment 1

Determine the buckling force F_{cr} of the beam shown by using one element. Second moment of area I and Young's modulus E are constants.



Solution template

Linear and non-linear parts of virtual work expression of internal forces of a beam element (displacements in *xz*-plane) are given by

$$\delta W^{\rm int} = - \begin{cases} \delta u_{z1} \\ \delta \theta_{y1} \\ \delta u_{z2} \\ \delta \theta_{y2} \end{cases}^{\rm T} \frac{EI_{yy}}{h^3} \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -6h & -12 & -6h \\ -6h & 4h^2 & 6h & 2h^2 \\ -12 & 6h & 12 & 6h \\ -6h & 2h^2 & 6h & 4h^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{z1} \\ \theta_{y1} \\ u_{z2} \\ \theta_{y2} \end{cases},$$

$$\delta W^{\text{sta}} = - \begin{cases} \delta u_{z1} \\ \delta \theta_{y1} \\ \delta u_{z2} \\ \delta \theta_{y2} \end{cases}^{\text{T}} \frac{N}{30h} \begin{bmatrix} 36 & -3h & -36 & -3h \\ -3h & 4h^2 & 3h & -h^2 \\ -36 & 3h & 36 & 3h \\ -3h & -h^2 & 3h & 4h^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{z1} \\ \theta_{y1} \\ u_{z2} \\ \theta_{y2} \end{bmatrix}$$

in which I_{yy} is the second moment of area, E is the Young's modulus, and N is the axial force in the beam. The axial stress resultant N of the beam in terms of the loading parameter F (use the figure to deduce the relationship)

$$N =$$

Linear and non-linear parts of virtual work expression of internal forces of the beam (substitute also the expression for the axial stress resultant N) are

$$\delta W^{\text{int}} = -\left\{ \begin{array}{c} - \\ - \\ - \\ \end{array} \right\} \begin{bmatrix} 12 & -6L & -12 & -6L \\ -6L & 4L^2 & 6L & 2L^2 \\ -12 & 6L & 12 & 6L \\ -6L & 2L^2 & 6L & 4L^2 \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} - \\ - \\ - \\ - \\ \end{array} \right\} = \underline{\qquad},$$

Principle of virtual work $\delta W = \delta W^{\text{int}} + \delta W^{\text{sta}} = 0 \quad \forall \, \delta u_{Z2} \text{ implies (assuming that } u_{Z2} \neq 0)$

$$(\underline{\hspace{1cm}})u_{Z2}=0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad F_{cr}=\underline{\hspace{1cm}}.$$