

- * The local x -axis is in the direction of the element
- * The orientation of the local y & z axes is defined using the right hand rule:

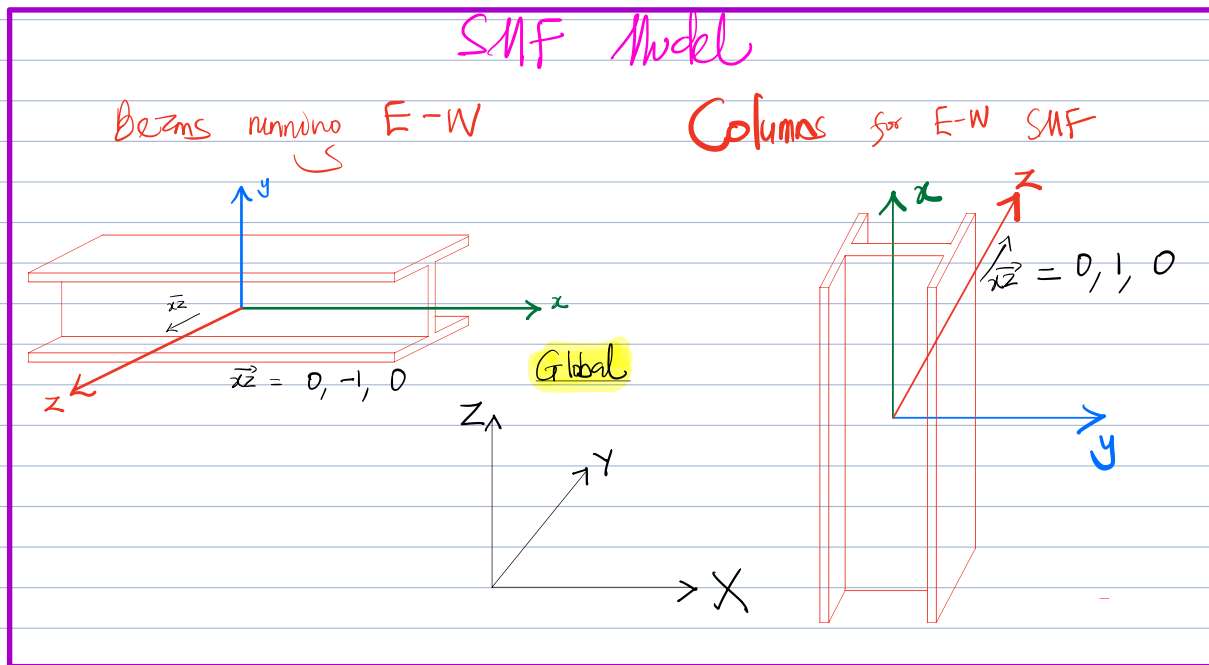
- Thumb : x -axis
- Index : y -axis
- Middle finger : z -axis

Geometric Transformation :- Used to transform an element in its local coordinate to the global coordinate of the model.

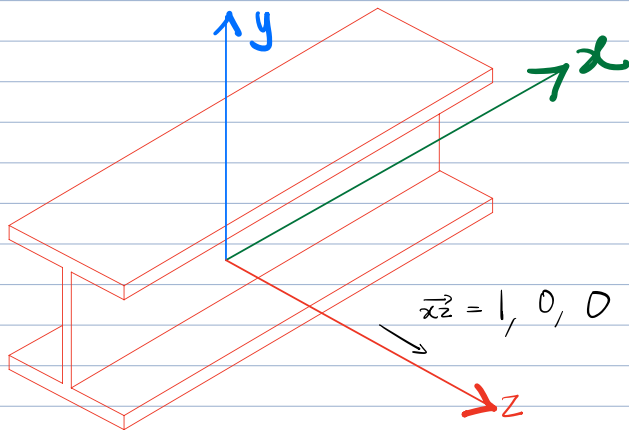
- This is done by specifying any vector in the local xz plane of the element.

- Note that this $\bar{x}z$ cannot be parallel to the Z -axis.

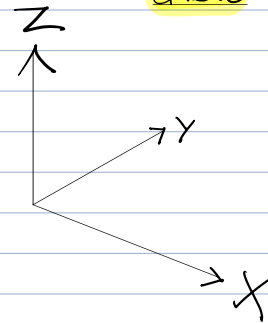
- * Vector $\bar{x}z$ is defined using the Global coordinate system.



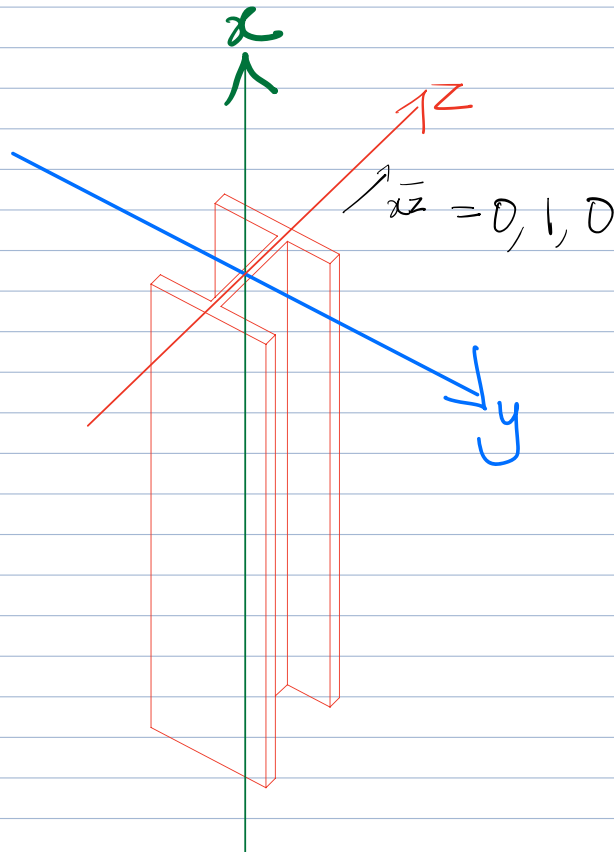
Beams running S-N



Global

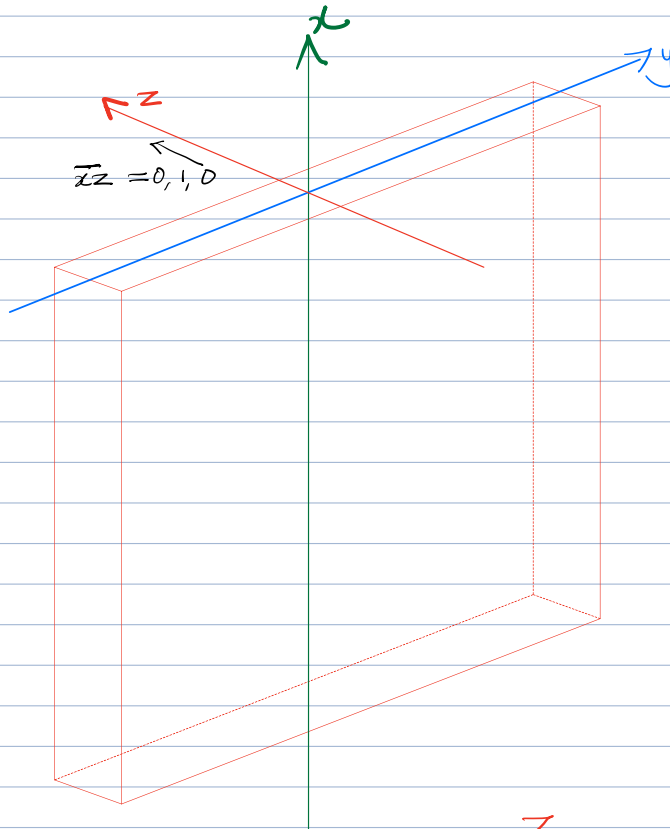


Columns for S-N SMF

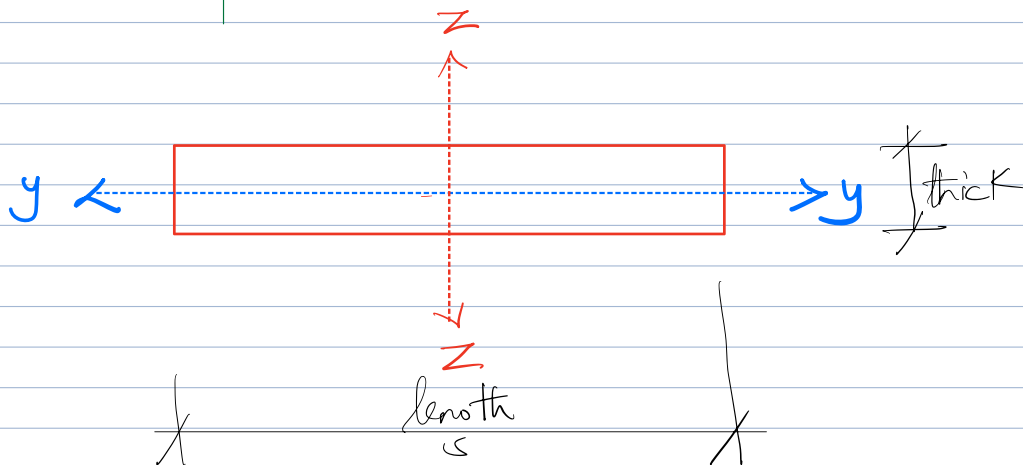
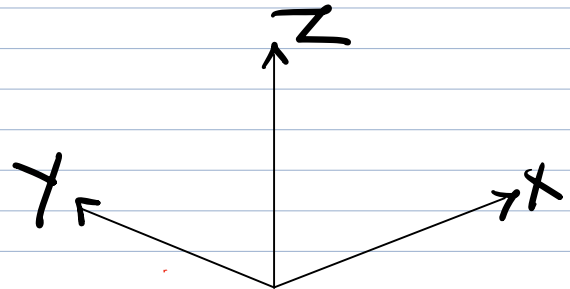


RCSW Model

Walls in EW orientation:



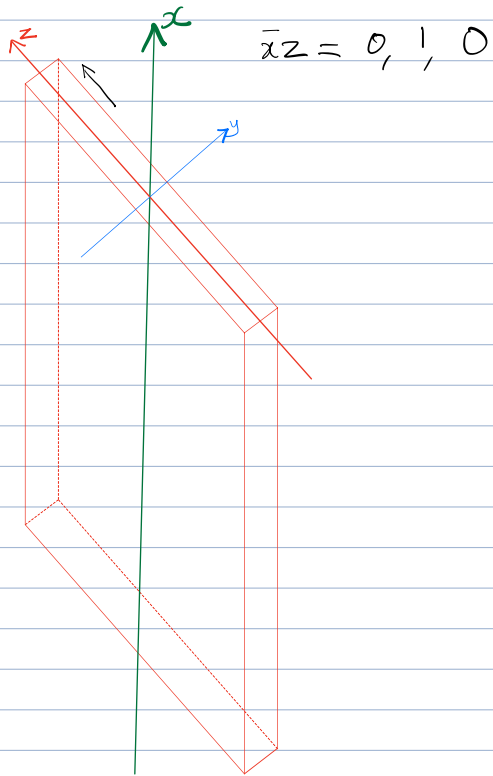
Global Coordinate



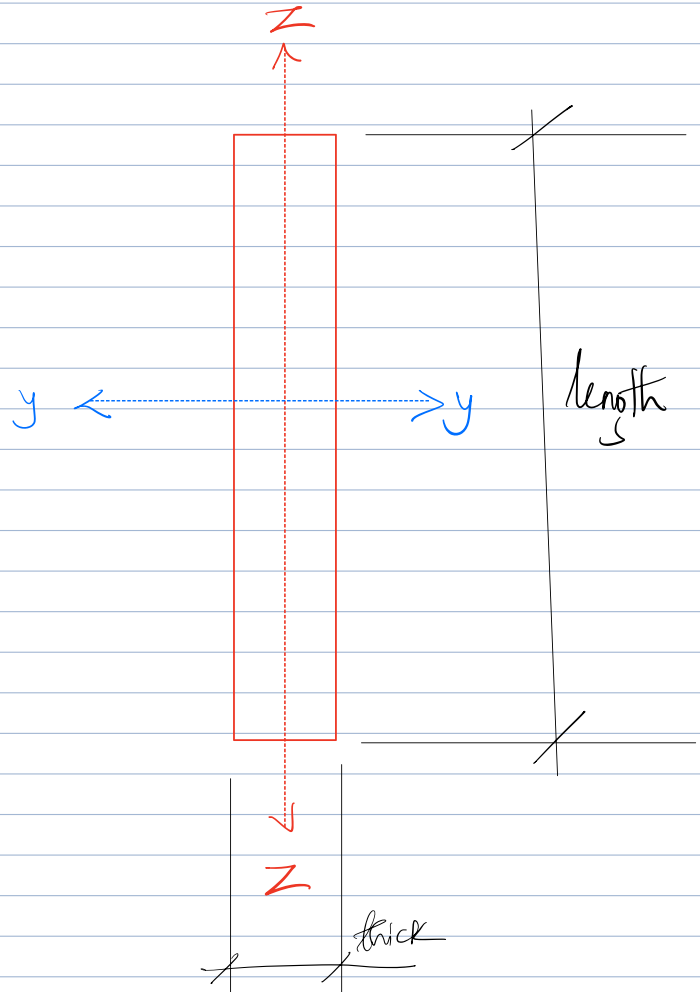
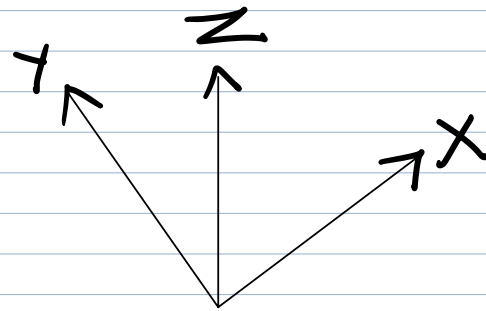
$$I_{yy} = \frac{length}{12} \times thick^3$$

$$I_{zz} = \frac{length^3}{12} \times thick$$

Walls in NS Orientation



Global Coordinates



$$I_{yy} = \frac{\text{length}^3}{12} \times \text{thick}$$

$$I_{zz} = \frac{\text{length}}{12} \times \text{thick}^3$$

