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## Principle of Virtual Work

Static equilibrium ( $\Rightarrow$ )

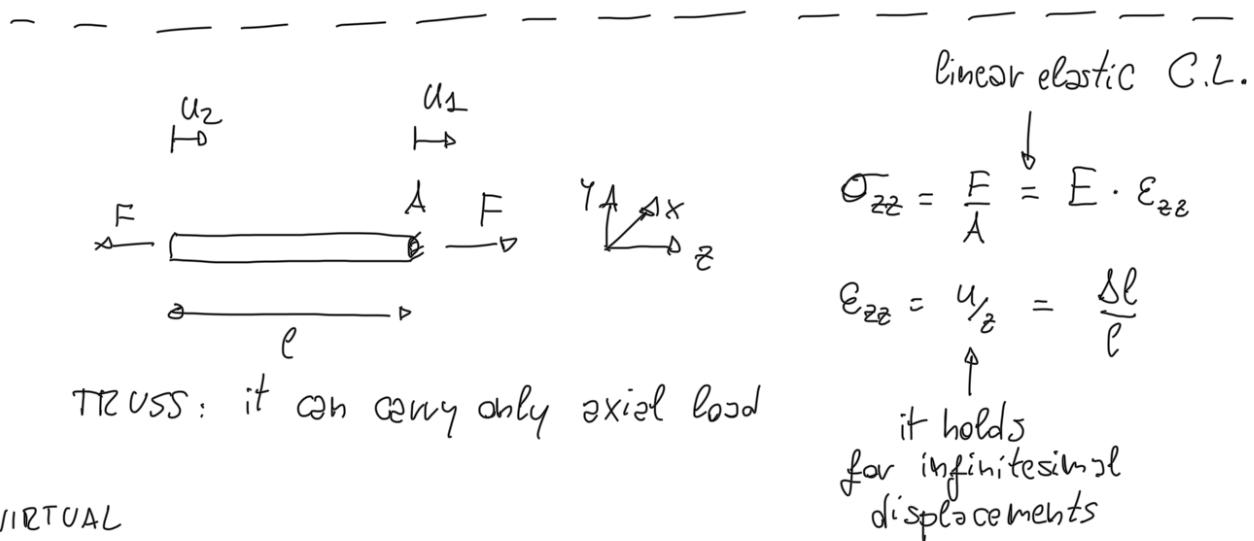
$$\delta W_i = \delta W_e$$

for any arbitrary virtual compatible displacement

$$\delta W = F \cdot \delta u$$

$$\delta u \quad \delta e$$

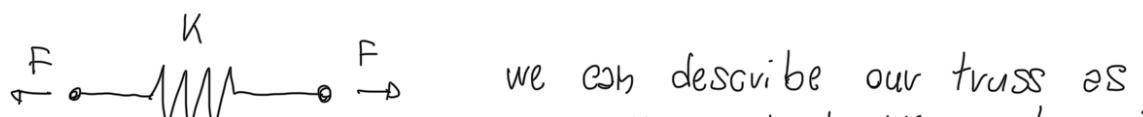
We are looking for the only equilibrated solution among the infinite compatible ones.



VIRTUAL

$$\begin{aligned} \delta W_i &= \int_V \delta \epsilon_{zz} \cdot \sigma_{zz} dV = \int_0^l \int_A \delta \epsilon_{zz} \cdot \sigma_{zz} dA \cdot dz \\ &= \int_0^l \delta \epsilon_{zz} \cdot \int_A \sigma_{zz} dA \cdot dz = \int_0^l \delta \epsilon_{zz} \cdot F dz = \underline{\underline{\delta \Delta l \cdot F}} \\ &= \delta(u_1 - u_2) \cdot F \end{aligned}$$

$\uparrow$   
it's not the position,  
it's the displacements



$\overset{v v v}{\overrightarrow{u_2}}$   $\overset{\rightarrow{u_1}}{\leftarrow}$  is a spring, which kinematics is described by  $u_1$  and  $u_2$

$$F = K(u_1 - u_2) = K \cdot [1 \quad -1] \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{curly brackets} \\ \text{column vector} \end{array}$$

$$PVW \quad SW_i = SW_e$$

REAL

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$$(u_1 - u_2) \cdot F = \delta l \cdot F$$

## VIRTUAL

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$$S(a_1 - a_2) \cdot F = S \Delta l \cdot F$$

$$\Delta l = u_1 - u_2$$

$$\Delta \ell = [1 \ -1] \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\delta \Delta l = [1 \ -1] \cdot \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\delta W_i = \int_V \delta \underline{\underline{E}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\sigma}} dV = \underline{\underline{\delta \Delta l}} \cdot \underline{\underline{F}} =$$

$$= \underbrace{\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{VIRTUAL}} \cdot \underbrace{K \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}}_{\text{REAL}} =$$

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OUTER SCALAR PRODUCT ]

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= S \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{bmatrix} K & -K \\ -K & K \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = SW_i$$

$\uparrow$   
stiffness matrix  
of our spring

$$\delta W_e = \underbrace{\delta S l}_{\text{red}} \cdot F = \begin{matrix} \delta \left\{ \begin{matrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{matrix} \right\}^T \\ \text{red} \end{matrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot F = \begin{matrix} \delta \left\{ \begin{matrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{matrix} \right\}^T \\ \text{red} \end{matrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} F \\ -F \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{PVW} \quad \delta W_i = SWe$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \delta \{u_1\} \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{bmatrix} K & -K \\ -K & K \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \delta u_2 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} F \\ -F \end{Bmatrix}$$

TBN: you cannot eliminate  $\begin{Bmatrix} \delta u_2 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T$  from both sides of the equation:

- It's mathematically WRONG
- It's conceptually misleading

What we actually do:

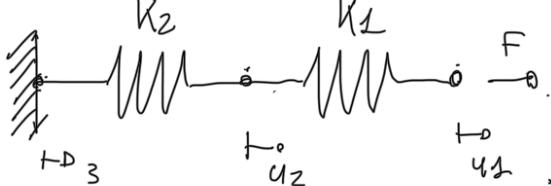
$$\begin{Bmatrix} \delta u_2 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \left( \begin{bmatrix} K & -K \\ -K & K \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{Bmatrix} F \\ -F \end{Bmatrix} \right) = \emptyset$$

This must be  $\emptyset$  for any value of  $\begin{Bmatrix} \delta u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T$

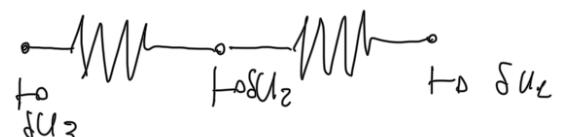
$$\begin{bmatrix} K & -K \\ -K & K \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{Bmatrix} F \\ -F \end{Bmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{SPRING CONSTITUTIVE EQUATION}$$

Let's try with a more complex system

REAL



VIRTUAL



$$\text{PVW} \quad \delta W_i = SWe$$

$$\text{for the first spring} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & -K_2 \\ -K_1 & K_1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\text{for the second} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} K_2 & -K_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

spring

$$(f_3) \quad [k_2 \quad k_2] \quad (u_3)$$

! ! real force

$$\delta W_i = \delta W_{i1} + \delta W_{i2} = \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} + \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 & 0 \\ -k_2 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\delta W_e = \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

P.W.  $\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} + \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 & 0 \\ -k_2 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{Bmatrix}$

let's add the BC

$$u_3 = \phi \quad \delta u_3 = \phi$$

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} + \delta u_2 k_2 u_2 = \delta u_1 \cdot f_1$$

$$\underbrace{\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 & 0 \\ -k_2 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} \phi & \phi \\ \phi & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}}_{=0} - \underbrace{\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} f_2 \\ \phi \end{bmatrix}}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \left( \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \phi & \phi \\ \phi & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \phi \end{bmatrix} \right) = \phi$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}}_{+} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \phi \end{bmatrix}}_{=0} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_2+k_2-k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \phi \end{bmatrix} = 0$$


Let's do it in a different way

ASSEMBLY

$$\begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & \phi \\ -k_1 & k_2+k_2-k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

P.W.

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_1 & \phi \\ -k_1 & k_2+k_2-k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

B.C.  $(u_2)^T [k_2 \quad -k_1 \quad \phi] (u_2) - (u_2)^T (F)$

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} -k_1 & k_1+k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 & k_1 \end{array} \right] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \left[ \begin{array}{cc} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_2 & k_2+k_1 \end{array} \right] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} - \delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}^T \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} F \end{Bmatrix} = \emptyset$$

$$\delta \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} \left( \begin{array}{cc} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_2 & k_2+k_1 \end{array} \right) \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{Bmatrix} F \end{Bmatrix} = \emptyset$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_1 & k_1+k_2 \end{array} \right] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} - \begin{Bmatrix} F \end{Bmatrix} = \emptyset \quad u_1 = F \left( \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} \right)$$

PVW

problem  
as a function  
of  
displacements  
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virtual  
displacements

PCVW

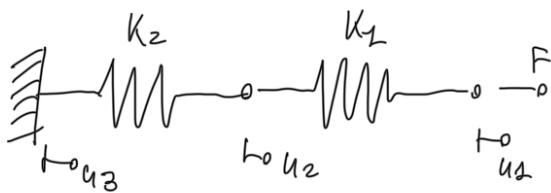
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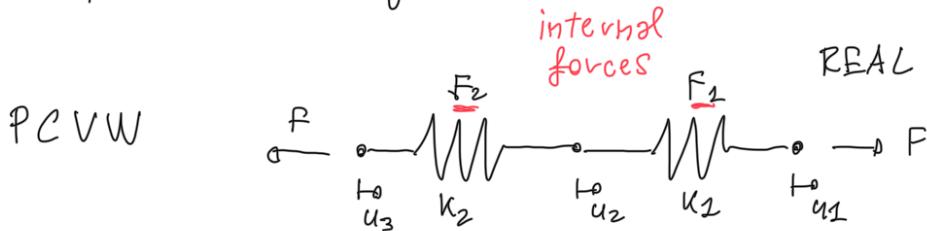
the Interval force is  
constant along the structure

- Is this statically determined? Is this ISOSTATIC?  
YES

If our structure is isostatic, we can solve our  
elastic problem simply IMPOSING THE EQUILIBRIUM



$$\text{Equilibrium along } z \quad F + R = 0 \quad R = -F$$



$$\begin{aligned} \delta W_i &= \delta W_{i1} + \delta W_{i2} = \delta F_1 \cdot \delta l_1 + \delta F_2 \cdot \delta l_2 = \\ &= \delta F_1 \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1} + \delta F_2 \cdot \frac{F_2}{K_2} = \end{aligned}$$

SERIES

$\delta F = \delta F_1 = \delta F_2$

$F = F_1 = F$

$$= \delta F \left( \frac{F}{K_1} + \frac{F}{K_2} \right)$$

the RF don't produce work

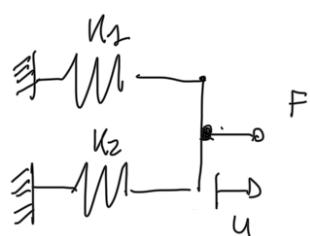
$$\begin{aligned} \delta W_e &= \delta F \cdot u_1 + \delta F \cdot u_3 \\ &= \delta F \cdot u_1 \end{aligned}$$

PCVW     $\delta W_i = \delta W_e$      $\delta F \cdot F \left( \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} \right) - u_1 \delta F = 0$

$$\delta F \left( F \left( \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} \right) - u_1 \right) = 0$$

$$u_1 = F \left( \frac{1}{K_1} + \frac{1}{K_2} \right)$$

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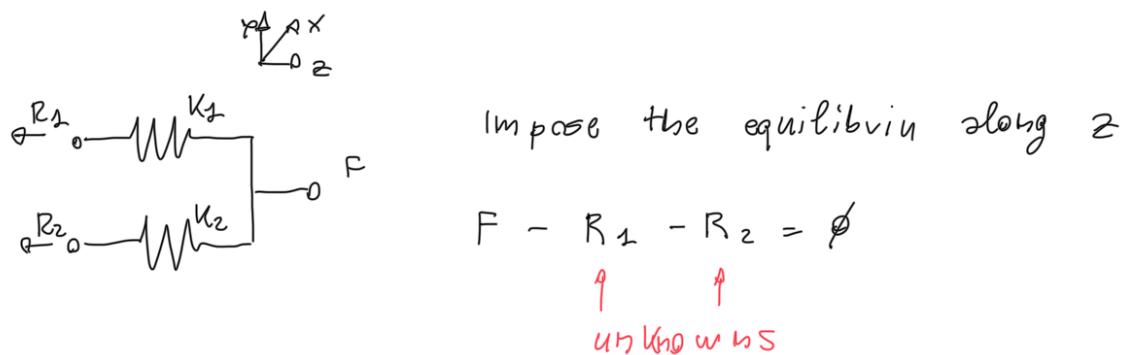
TBN: we have only axial behavior.

PARALLEL     $\Delta l = \Delta l_1 = \Delta l_2$

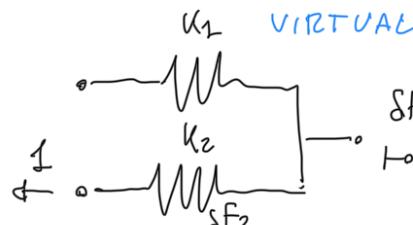
given  $F$ , let's find  $u$

- statically determined? 3 rigid DOF

NO! the system is hyperstatic



First method: PCVW

(I) 

$$\delta F = \cancel{\delta F_1 + \delta F_2}$$

$$\delta W_i = \delta W_{i1} + \delta W_{i2} = \cancel{\delta F_2} \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1} + \delta F_2 \cdot \frac{F_2}{K_2}$$

$$\delta W_e = \delta F \cdot u = u \quad [N \cdot mm]$$

$$\delta F_2 = \frac{1}{K_2} \cdot F_2 = u$$

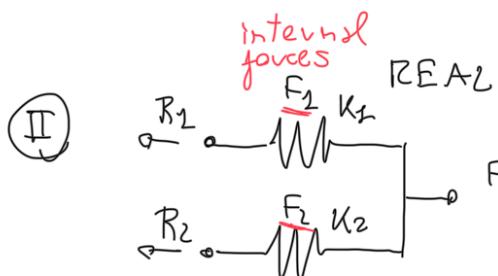
$\frac{F_2}{K_2} = u$   
unknowns

$$\delta F = f \quad \frac{F_1}{K_1} = u \quad F_2 = F - F_1$$

$$u = \frac{F_1}{K_2} = \frac{F - F_1}{K_2} = \frac{F_2}{K_2}$$

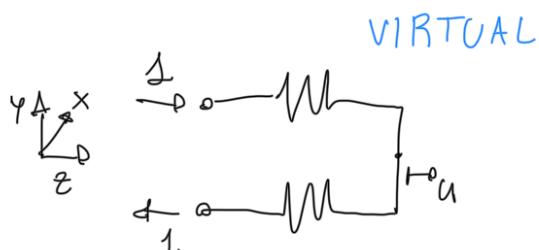
$$K_2 F - K_2 F_2 - F_2 K_1 = \phi \quad F_2 = F \cdot \frac{K_2}{K_1 + K_2}$$

$$\psi = \frac{F_2}{K_2} = \frac{F}{K_1 + K_2}$$



$$F_2 = F - F_1$$

we can choose  
2 smarter system  
of EQUIILIBRATED  
FORCES



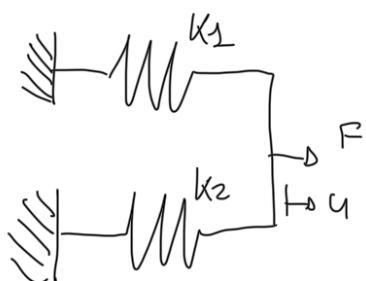
$$\begin{aligned}\delta W_i &= \delta F_2 \cdot \frac{F_2}{K_2} + \delta f_1 \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1} \\ &= -1 \cdot \frac{F_2}{K_2} + 1 \cdot \frac{F - F_2}{K_1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\delta W_e = u \cdot \phi = \phi$$

$$-K_1 F_2 + K_2 F - K_2 F_2 = \phi \quad -F_2 (K_1 + K_2) = -K_2 F$$

$$F_2 = F \cdot \frac{K_2}{K_1 + K_2} \quad \psi = \frac{F_2}{K_2} = \frac{F}{K_1 + K_2}$$

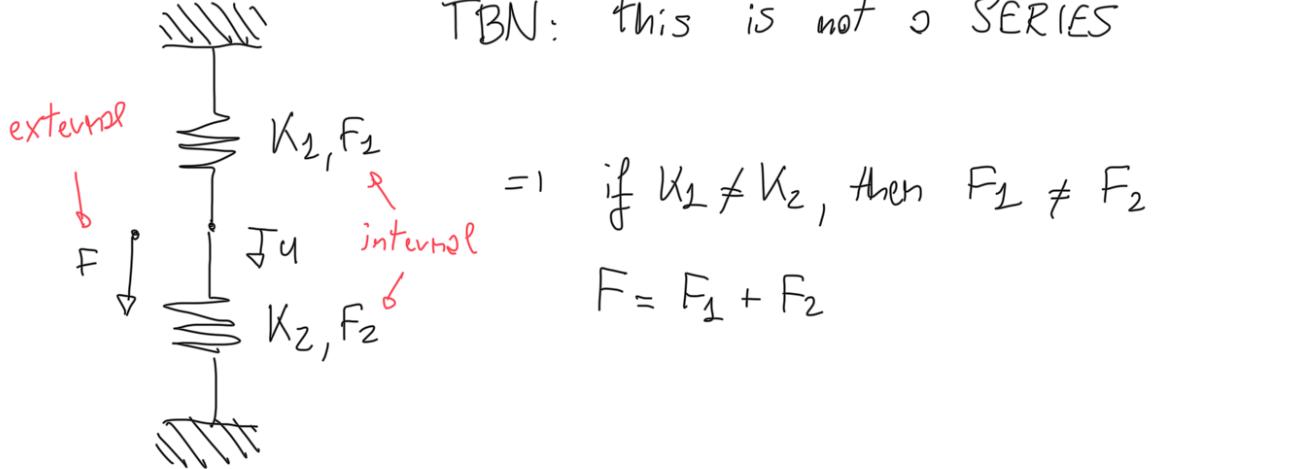
Second Method: PVW



$$\delta u \cdot K_1 u + \delta u K_2 u = \delta u F$$

$$F = (K_1 + K_2) u$$

$$u = \frac{F}{K_1 + K_2}$$



## I) PVW

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \emptyset \\ u \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} K_1 & -K_1 \\ -K_1 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \emptyset \\ u \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} u \\ \emptyset \end{Bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} K_2 & -K_2 \\ -K_2 & K_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u \\ \emptyset \end{Bmatrix} = \delta u \cdot F$$

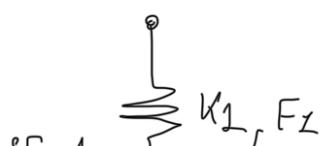
$$\delta u K_1 u + \delta u K_2 u - \delta u F = \emptyset$$

$$(K_1 + K_2) \cdot u = F$$

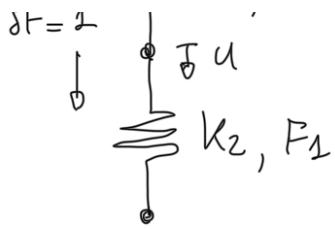
## II PCVW

VIRTUAL 1

$$\uparrow \delta F = 1$$

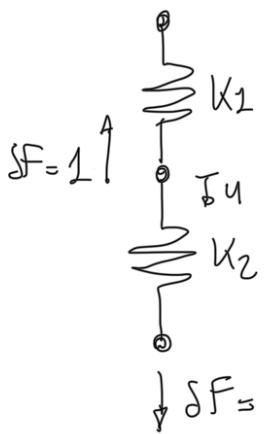


$$\delta F \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1} = \delta F \cdot u \quad u = \frac{F_1}{K_1}$$



they are both  
negative

VIRTUAL 2



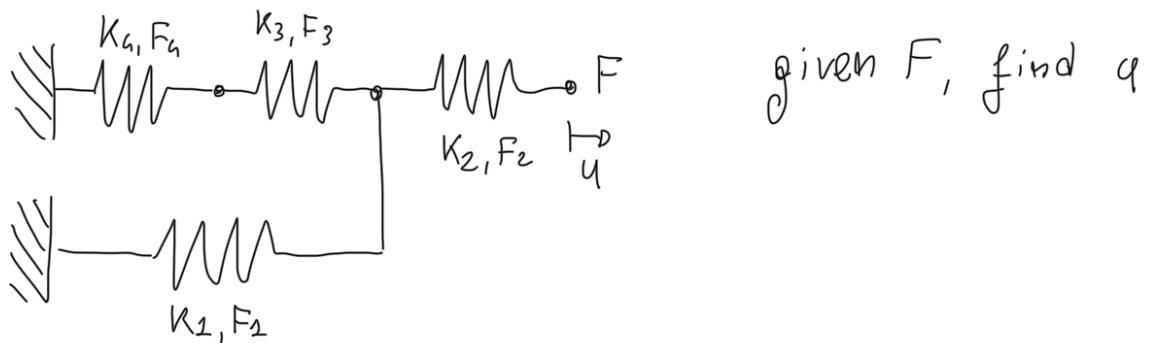
$$\frac{\delta F}{K_2} \cdot \frac{F_2}{K_2} = \delta F u$$

$$u = \frac{F_1}{K_1} = \frac{F_2}{K_2} = \frac{F - F_2}{K_1}$$

$$\frac{F_2}{K_2} = \frac{F - F_2}{K_1} \quad K_1 F_2 = (F - F_2) K_2$$

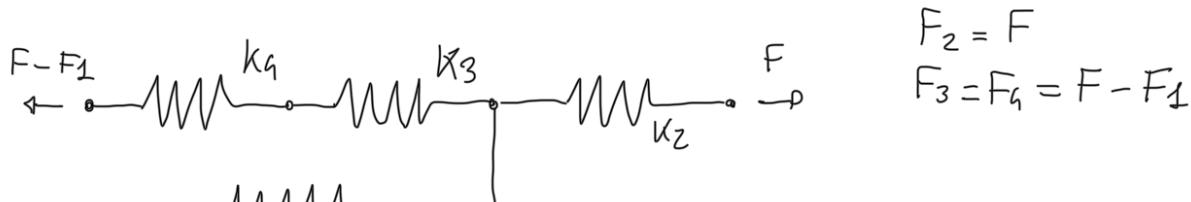
$$F = \frac{(K_1 + K_2)}{K_2} F_2 = \frac{K_1 + K_2}{K_2} \cdot K_2 \cdot u$$

$$u (K_1 + K_2) = F$$



- Is it isostatic? No, thus it's not statically determined

- Reaction forces



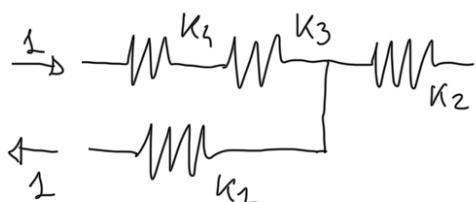


Let's use PCVV two times:

- one to find the reaction forces
- one to find  $u$ .

**VIRTUAL 1**

as we did before, let's chose a smart system of equilibrated forces



$$\underbrace{1 \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1}}_{\text{positive: TENSED}} - \underbrace{1 \cdot \frac{(F-F_1)}{K_3}}_{\text{negative: COMPRESSED}} - \underbrace{1 \cdot \frac{(F-F_1)}{K_2}}_{\text{negative: COMPRESSED}} = 1 \cdot \phi$$

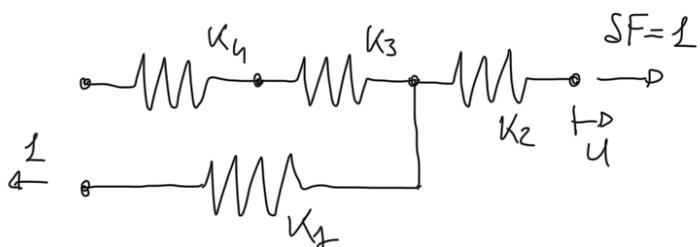
positive: negative: negative:  
TENSED COMPRESSED COMPRESSED

$$K_3 K_1 \cdot F_1 - K_2 K_1 (F - F_1) - K_1 K_3 (F - F_1) = \phi$$

$$F_1 = \frac{K_1 K_3 + K_2 K_3}{K_3 K_1 + K_1 K_3 + K_2 K_3} \cdot F \quad \text{then } F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4 \text{ are known}$$

**VIRTUAL 2**

If we want to find  $u$ , let's put  $\delta F_1 = l$  there.



$$1 \cdot \frac{F_1}{K_1} + 1 \cdot \frac{F}{K_2} = 1 \cdot u$$

$$k_1 \qquad \qquad k_2$$

$$u = \frac{f_z}{k_1} + \frac{F}{k_2}$$