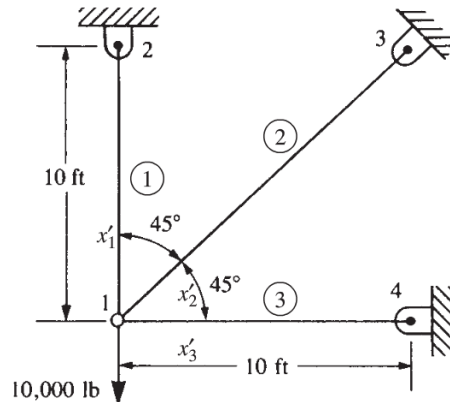


Tutorial 1. 2D Truss Analysis

Problem: Determine the nodal displacements and element stresses for the truss shown below (ref. "A First Course in the Finite Element Method, 5th edition, Daryl L. Logan, 2012, example 3.5, pp. 92-95). Use $E=30 \times 10^6$ psi and $A=2$ in². Compare to text solution: $u_1 = 0.414 \times 10^{-2}$ in, $v_1 = -1.59 \times 10^{-2}$ in, element stresses = -1035, 1471, and 3965 psi.



Start => All Programs => Dassault Systems SIMULIA Abaqus => Abaqus CAE => Create
Model Database With Standard/Explicit Model

File => Set Working Directory => Browse to find desired directory => OK

File => Save As => save truss_tutorial.cae file in Work Directory

Module: Sketch

Sketch => Create => Name: truss-demo => Continue

Add=> Point => enter coordinates (0,0), (120,0), (120,120), (0,120) => select 'red X'

View => Auto-Fit

Add => Line => Connected Line => select (0,0) node with mouse, then (120,0) node, right click
=> Cancel Procedure

Add => Line => Connected Line => select (0,0) node with mouse, then (120,120) node, right click
=> Cancel Procedure

Add => Line => Connected Line => select (0,0) node with mouse, then (0,120) node, right click
=> Cancel Procedure=> Done

Module: Part

Part => Create => select 2D Planar, Deformable, Wire => Continue

Add => Sketch => select 'truss_demo' => Done => Done

Module: Property

Material => Create => Name: Material-1, Mechanical, Elasticity, Elastic => set Young's
modulus = 30×10^6 , Poisson's ratio = 0.3 => OK

Section => Create => Name: Section-1, Beam, Truss => Continue => set Material: Material-1,
Cross-sectional area: 2

Assign Section => select all elements by dragging mouse => Done => Section-1 => OK => Done

Module: Assembly

Instance => Create => Create instances from: Parts => Part-1 => Dependent (mesh on part) => OK

Module: Step

Step => Create => Name: Step-1, Initial, Static, General => Continue => accept default settings => OK

Module: Load

Load => Create => Name: Load-1, Step: Step-1, Mechanical, Concentrated Force => Continue
=> select node at (0,0) => Done => set CF2: -10000 => OK

BC => Create => Name: BC-1, Step: Step-1, Mechanical, Displacement/Rotation => Continue
=> select nodes at (120,0), (120,120) and (0,120) using SHIFT key to select multiple nodes => Done => set U1: 0 and U2: 0

Module: Mesh

Set Model: Model-1, Object => Part: Part-1

Seed => Edges => select entire truss by dragging mouse => Done => Method: By number, Bias: None, Sizing Controls, Number of Elements: 1 => press Enter => Done

Mesh => Element Type => select entire truss by dragging mouse => Done => Element Library: Standard, Geometric Order: Linear: Family: Truss => OK => Done

Mesh => Part => OK to mesh the part Instance: Yes

Module: Job

Job => Create => Name: Job-1, Model: Model-1 => Continue => Job Type: Full analysis, Run Mode: Background, Submit Time: Immediately => OK

Job => Submit => Job-1

Job => Manager => Results (transfers to Visualization Module)

Module: Visualization

Viewport => Viewport Annotation Options => Legend => Text => Set Font => Size=14, Apply to: Legend, Title Block and State Block => OK => OK

View => Graphics Options => Viewport Background = Solid=> Color => White (click on black tile to change background color)

Options => Common => Labels => select 'Show element labels: Black' and 'Show node labels: Red' => OK

Plot => Undeformed Shape

Plot => Deformed Shape

Plot => Contours => On Deformed Shape

Result => Options => unselect "Average element output at nodes"

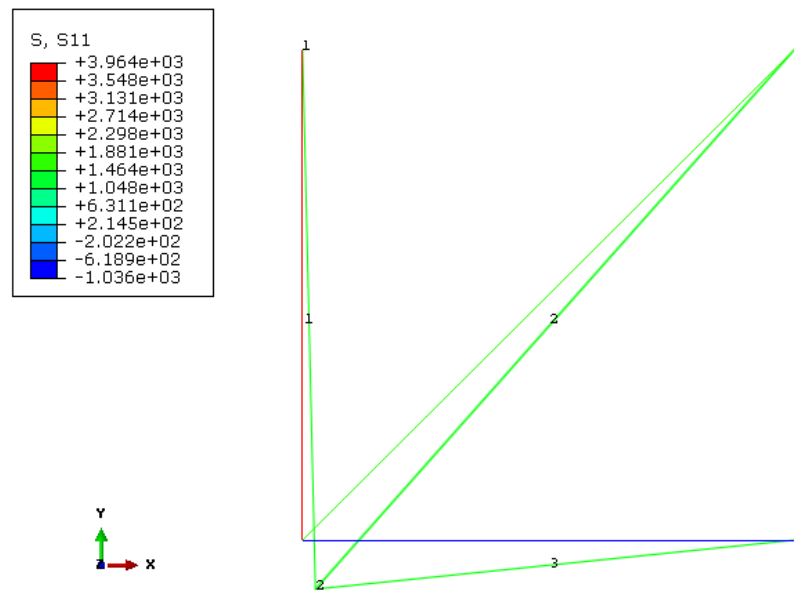
Result => Field Output => Component: S11 => OK

Ctrl-C => Copies graphics window to clipboard => Paste in MS Word, etc.

Report => Field Output => Variable => Position: Unique Nodal => select U: Spatial Displacements => Apply => Unselect U
 Report => Field Output => Variable => Position: Centroid => select S: Stress Components => Click on '>' and unselect all stresses except S11 => Apply => Cancel
 Open file 'Abaqus.rpt' and cut and paste desired results into MS Word
 File => Save => enter desired file name (Abaqus will append .cae)
 File => Exit

Results:

Deformed Mesh:



Tabulated Results (using cut and paste from Abaqus.rpt)

Node Label	U.Magnitude @Loc 1	U.U1 @Loc 1	U.U2 @Loc 1
1	0.	0.	7.92893E-33
2	16.3899E-03	4.14214E-03	-15.8579E-03
3	0.	-2.07107E-33	-2.07107E-33
4	0.	2.07107E-33	0.

Element Label	S.S11 @Loc 1
1	3.96447E+03
2	1.46447E+03
3	-1.03553E+03