



Proposal Presentations

- Wednesday 12 – 2 pm, November 4, 2024
- 5-minute presentation (~3-4 slides), 2-minute Q/A
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 - LaTeX template (highly recommended)
<http://ras.papercept.net/conferences/support/tex.php>
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- At a minimum, your proposal and progress report should include **5 references.**



Resources

- Python & MATLAB codes made available on BruinLearn
- Comprehensive C++ Repositores
 - DisMech <https://github.com/StructuresComp/dismech-rods>
 - Rod-Contact Sim <https://github.com/StructuresComp/rod-contact-sim>



Prior Works that can Motivate Project Topics

- Simulation of ribbons
 - <https://youtu.be/rrlAMWtce-E?si=q8RFNx3linWMYt5A>
 - <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmps.2020.104168>
- Simulation of knots
 - <https://youtu.be/yq4-m0G0D4g?si=scSaKI-zg6eHw29G>
 - <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eml.2022.101924>
- ML-assisted reduced order models
 - <https://youtu.be/mHCFa8U9Xpw?si=ZaIrU1qJowxXBuNI>
 - <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eml.2022.101925>
- Simulation of soft rolling robots
 - https://youtu.be/rCVr2qRQ8rw?si=pEry_IJS0UKodY_T
 - <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-020-15651-9>
- Simulation of ballooning of spiders
 - https://youtu.be/RKnlp5ERVbE?si=x_p1B0WZVyrFT86U
 - <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevE.105.034401>
- Simulation & control of bacteria-inspired robots
 - <https://youtu.be/WbI9zL-ogM8?si=MdIgW6J1-0OdGgEM>
 - <https://doi.org/10.1039/C9SM01843C> AND <https://doi.org/10.1115/1.4049548>



Module 23

Discrete Elastic Plates (DEP) Algorithm

Goal



- Equations of motion of an elastic plate
- Programming implementation of the Discrete Elastic Plates (DEP) algorithm

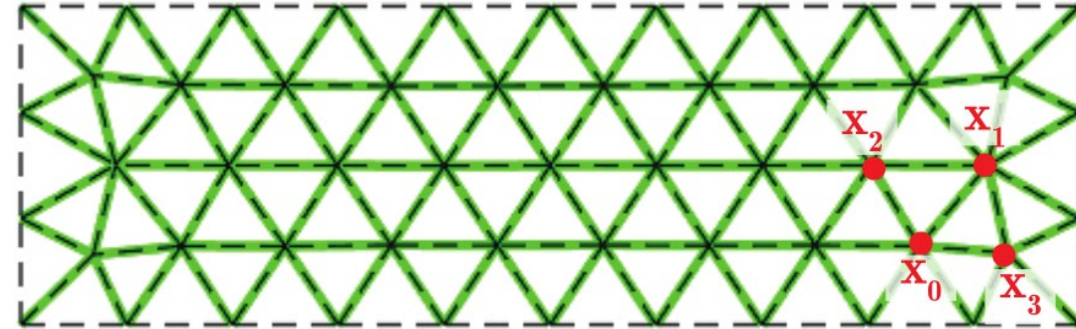
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 - T. Savin et al., “On the growth and form of the gut,” *Nature* (2011) 476(7358) 57–62
 - Baraff and Witkin, “Large steps in cloth simulation.” *Proceedings of the 25th annual conference on Computer graphics and interactive techniques* (1998)
 - R. Tamstorf and E. Grinspun, “Discrete bending forces and their jacobians,” *Graphical Models* (2013) 75(6) 362–370
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Degrees of Freedom (DOF)

$3N$ DOF for a plate with N nodes

Degrees of Freedom (DOF) vector,

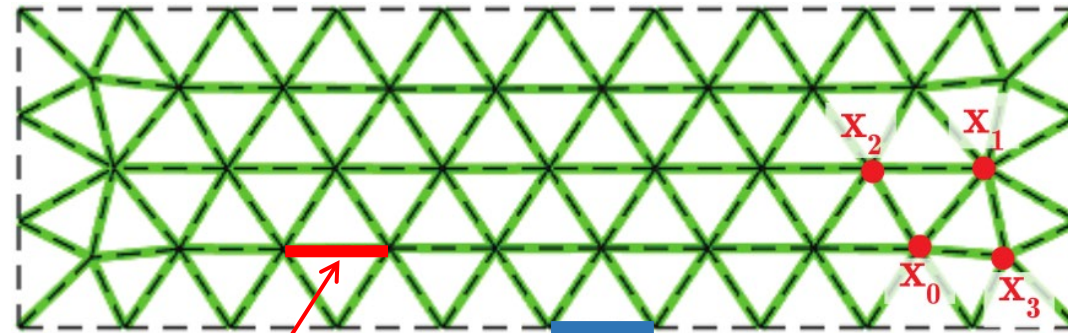
$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_N \end{bmatrix}$$



k -th node corresponds to DOF # $[3k - 2, 3k - 1, 3k]$
i.e. $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{q}([3k - 2, 3k - 1, 3k])$

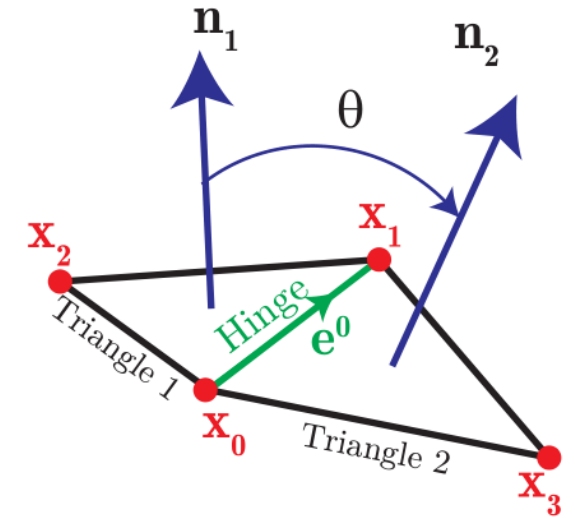


Edge and Hinges



Edge AND Hinge

Edge NOT Hinge



An edge is a vector that connects one node to the next node.

A hinge is an edge shared by two adjacent triangles.



Discrete Equations of Motion

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{elastic}}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} - \mathbf{f}^{\text{ext}} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$f_i \equiv \frac{m_i}{\Delta t} \left[\frac{q_i(t_{k+1}) - q_i(t_k)}{\Delta t} - \dot{q}_i(t_k) \right] + \frac{\partial E_{\text{elastic}}}{\partial q_i} - f_i^{\text{ext}} = 0$$

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where

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Discrete Elastic Energies

$$f_i \equiv \frac{m_i}{\Delta t} \left[\frac{q_i(t_{k+1}) - q_i(t_k)}{\Delta t} - \dot{q}_i(t_k) \right] + \boxed{\frac{\partial E_{\text{elastic}}}{\partial q_i}} - F_{i,\text{external}} = 0$$

We are ignoring it

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Discrete Elastic Plates (DEP)

Algorithm 1 Discrete Elastic Plates

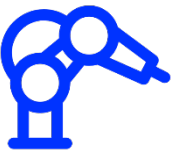
Require: $\mathbf{q}(t_j), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_j)$ ▷ DOFs and velocities at $t = t_j$
Require: `free_index` ▷ index of the free DOFs
Ensure: $\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1})$ ▷ DOFs and velocities at $t = t_{j+1}$

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1: function DISCRETE_ELASTIC_PLATES(  $\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_j)$  )
2:   Guess:  $\mathbf{q}^{(1)}(t_{j+1}) \leftarrow \mathbf{q}(t_j)$ 
3:    $n \leftarrow 1$ 
4:   while error > tolerance do
5:     

Compute  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\mathbb{J}$


6:      $\mathbf{f}_{\text{free}} \leftarrow \mathbf{f}(\text{free\_index})$ 
7:      $\mathbb{J}_{\text{free}} \leftarrow \mathbb{J}(\text{free\_index}, \text{free\_index})$ 
8:      $\Delta \mathbf{q}_{\text{free}} \leftarrow \mathbb{J}_{\text{free}} \backslash \mathbf{f}_{\text{free}}$ 
9:      $\mathbf{q}^{(n+1)}(\text{free\_index}) \leftarrow \mathbf{q}^{(n)}(\text{free\_index}) - \Delta \mathbf{q}_{\text{free}}$ 
10:    error  $\leftarrow \text{sum}(\text{abs}(\mathbf{f}_{\text{free}}))$ 
11:     $n \leftarrow n + 1$ 
12:  end while
13:   $\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}) \leftarrow \mathbf{q}^{(n)}(t_{j+1})$ 
14:   $\dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1}) \leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}) - \mathbf{q}(t_j)}{\Delta t}$ 
15:  return  $\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1})$ 
16: end function
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Next module



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Only update free DOFs

Newton-Raphson

Next Step



- Programming implementation of gradient and Hessian of elastic energies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} E_{\text{elastic}} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{edge}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} E_s^k + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{hinge}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} E_b^k$$

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Module 24

Gradient and Hessian of Elastic Energies in Discrete Plate

- Programming Implementation

- Understand the computation of gradient and Hessian of elastic energies in Discrete Elastic Plates (DEP)

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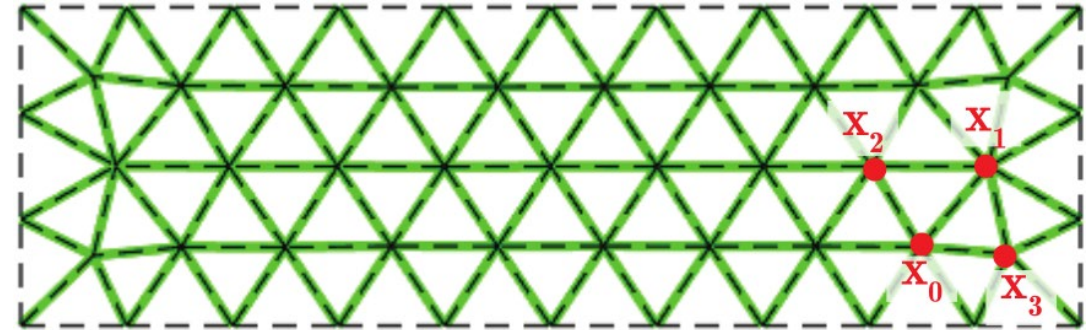


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Index of the k -th node, \mathbf{x}_k , in DOF vector:

$3k - 2, 3k - 1, 3k$, where $1 \leq k \leq N$

We will need this during programming implementation.



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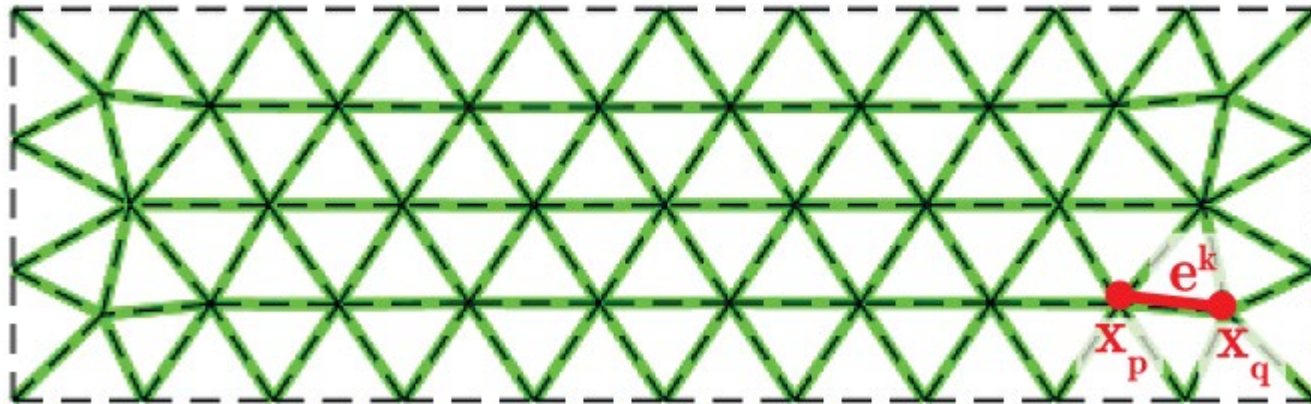


Gradient of Elastic Energy Computation

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$$\mathbf{F} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} \rightarrow 3N \text{ sized vector}$$

“Big gradient vector” \mathbf{F}



$$E_s^k = \frac{1}{2} k_s \left(\frac{\|\mathbf{e}^k\|}{l_k} - 1 \right)^2$$

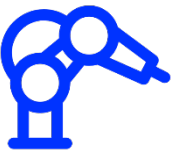
Stretching stiffness, $k_s = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} Y h l_k^2$

Edge length, $\|\mathbf{e}^k\| = \|\mathbf{x}_q - \mathbf{x}_p\|$

l_k is the edge length in undeformed state

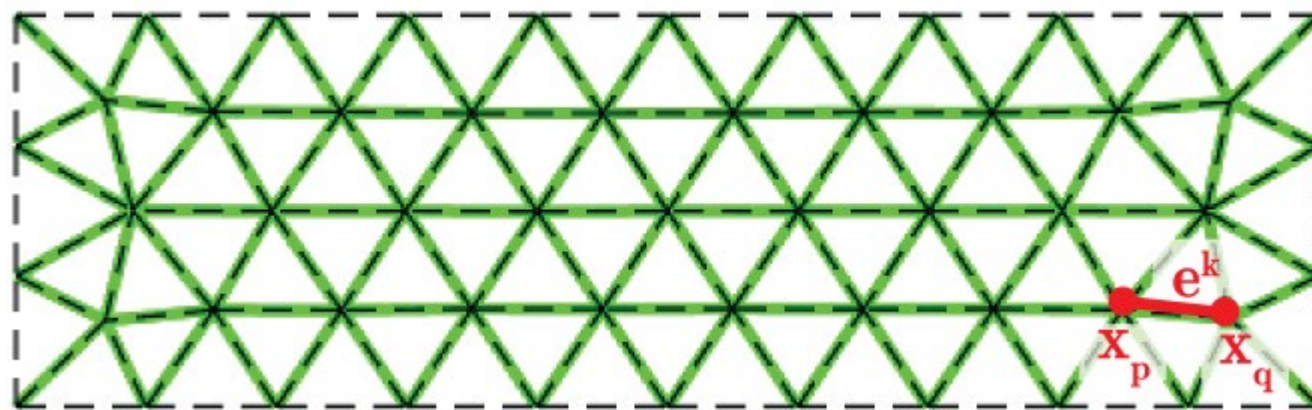
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Stretching energy, E_s^k , only depends on \mathbf{x}_p and \mathbf{x}_q .

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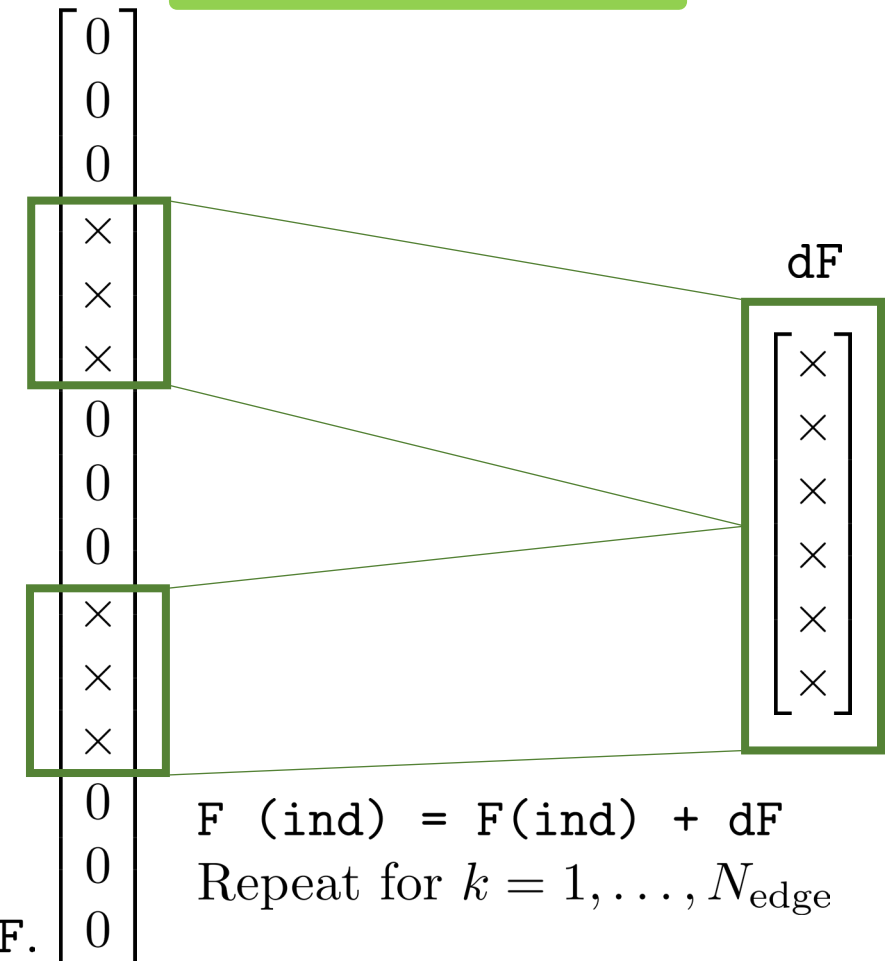
$$\text{ind} = [3p - 2, 3p - 1, 3p, 3q - 2, 3q - 1, 3q]$$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} E_s^k$ has 6 non-zero elements.

See Appendix for codes to compute non-zero “small” gradient, dF .

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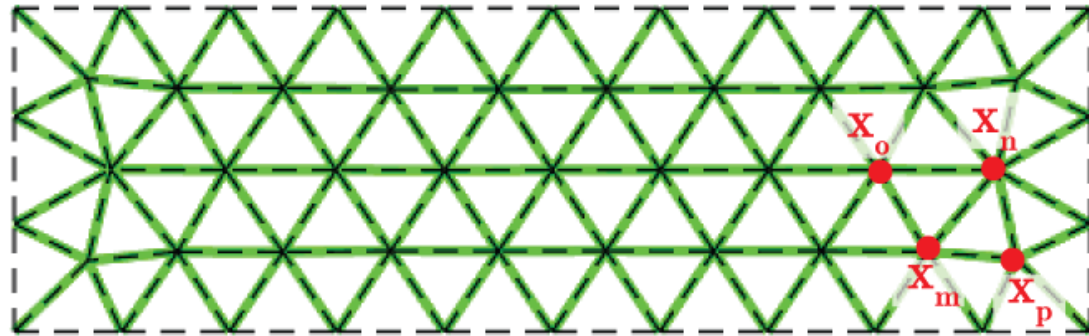
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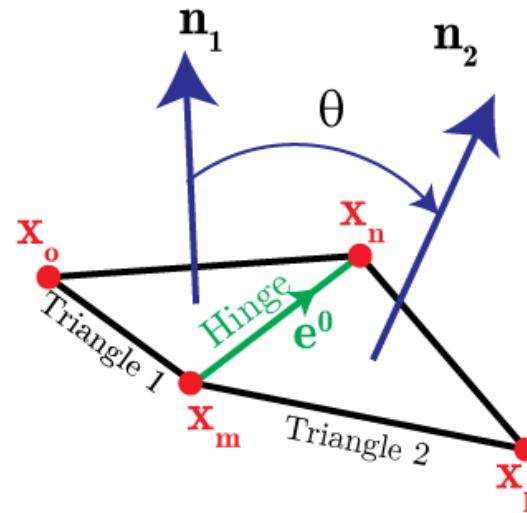
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“Big gradient vector” \mathbf{F}



$$E_b^k = \frac{1}{2} k_b \theta^2$$

$$\text{Bending stiffness, } k_b = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{Y h^3}{12}$$

Y is Young's modulus

h is the plate thickness

θ is a function of $\mathbf{x}_m, \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_o$, and \mathbf{x}_p

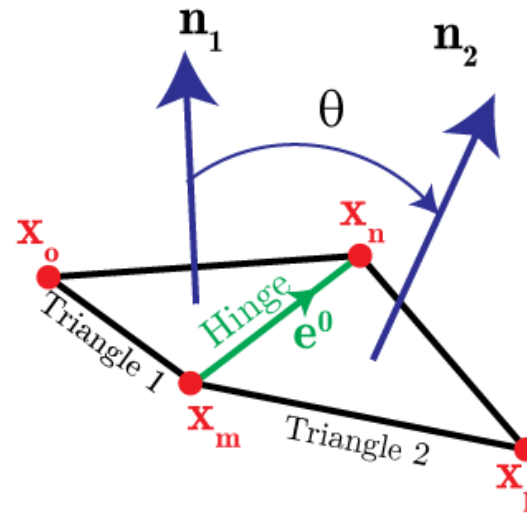
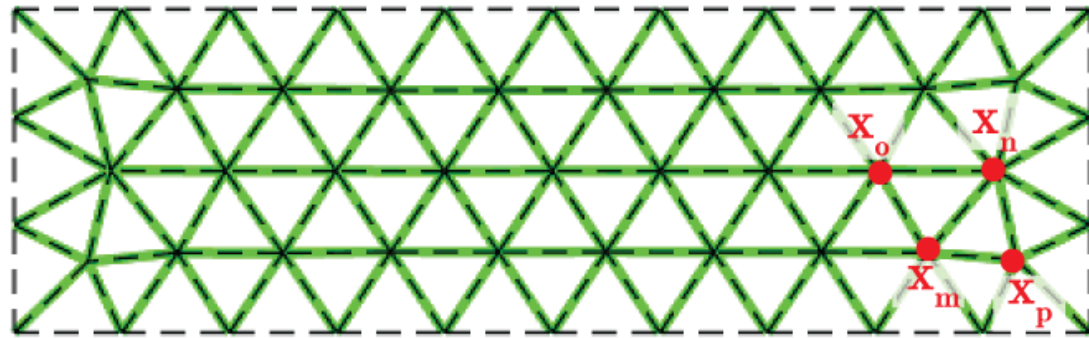


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“Big gradient vector” \mathbf{F}



Bending energy, E_k^b , only depends on \mathbf{x}_m , \mathbf{x}_n , \mathbf{x}_o , and \mathbf{x}_p .

The corresponding indices in the DOF vector are:

$$\text{ind} = [3m - 2, 3m - 1, 3m, 3n - 2, 3n - 1, 3n, 3o - 2, 3o - 1, 3o, 3p - 2, 3p - 1, 3p].$$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} E_b^k$ has 12 non-zero elements.

See Appendix for codes to compute non-zero “small” gradient, $d\mathbf{F}$.

$$\mathbf{F}(\text{ind}) = \mathbf{F}(\text{ind}) + d\mathbf{F}$$

Repeat for $k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{hinge}}$



Hessian of Elastic Energy Computation

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} E_{\text{elastic}} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{edge}}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} E_s^k + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{hinge}}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} E_b^k$$

$J \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} E_{\text{elastic}} \rightarrow 3N \times 3N$ sized matrix

“Big Hessian matrix” J

Non-zero component of Hessian of discrete energies
Code in Appendix of the Course Notes

$F(\text{ind}) = F(\text{ind}) + dF$
Repeat for $k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{edge}}$ (stretching)
Repeat for $k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{hinge}}$ (bending)

$J(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) = J(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) + dJ$
Repeat for $k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{edge}}$ (stretching)
Repeat for $k = 1, \dots, N_{\text{hinge}}$ (bending)

Algorithm 1 Gradient and Hessian of Elastic Energy Calculation

Require: \mathbf{q} ▷ Degrees of Freedom
Ensure: \mathbf{F} ▷ $3N$ sized elastic gradient vector, $\frac{\partial E_{\text{elastic}}}{\partial q_i}$
Ensure: \mathbf{J} ▷ $3N \times 3N$ sized elastic Hessian matrix, $\mathbb{J}_{\text{elastic}}$

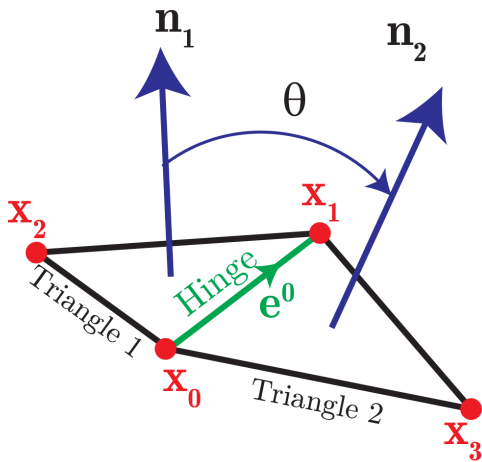
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1: function GRAD_HESS_ELASTIC( $\mathbf{q}$ )
2:    $\mathbf{F} \leftarrow \text{zeros}(3N, 1)$ 
3:    $\mathbf{J} \leftarrow \text{zeros}(3N, 3N)$ 
4:   for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $N_{\text{edge}}$  do
5:      $\mathbf{x}_0 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of first node of the  $k$ -th edge
6:      $\mathbf{x}_1 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of second node of the  $k$ -th edge
7:      $\text{ind} \leftarrow$  locations of the two nodes in the DOF vector
8:      $[\text{dF}, \text{dJ}] \leftarrow \text{gradEs\_hessEs\_Shell}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1)$  ▷ Appendix
9:      $\mathbf{F}(\text{ind}) = \mathbf{F}(\text{ind}) + \text{dF}$ 
10:     $\mathbf{J}(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) = \mathbf{J}(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) + \text{dJ}$ 
11:  end for
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Stretching Energy

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12:  for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $N_{\text{hinge}}$  do
13:     $\mathbf{x}_0 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of first node of the  $k$ -th hinge
14:     $\mathbf{x}_1 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of second node of the  $k$ -th hinge
15:     $\mathbf{x}_2 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of the third node on Triangle 1
16:     $\mathbf{x}_3 \leftarrow$  nodal coordinates of the third node on Triangle 2
17:     $\text{ind} \leftarrow$  locations of the four nodes in the DOF vector
18:     $[\text{dF}, \text{dJ}] \leftarrow \text{gradEb\_hessEb\_Shell}(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3)$  ▷ Appendix
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20:     $\mathbf{J}(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) = \mathbf{J}(\text{ind}, \text{ind}) + \text{dJ}$ 
21:  end for
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Bending Energy

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22:  return  $\mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{J}$ 
23: end function
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- Complete the assignments in Chapter 8: *Discrete Elastic Plates and Shells*



Module 25

Discrete Elastic Shells (DES) Algorithm

- Augment Discrete Elastic Plate (DEP) simulation to include shell-like structures
 - In undeformed configuration, shells have curvature. Plates do not have curvature.
 - All plates are shells but all shells are not plates.



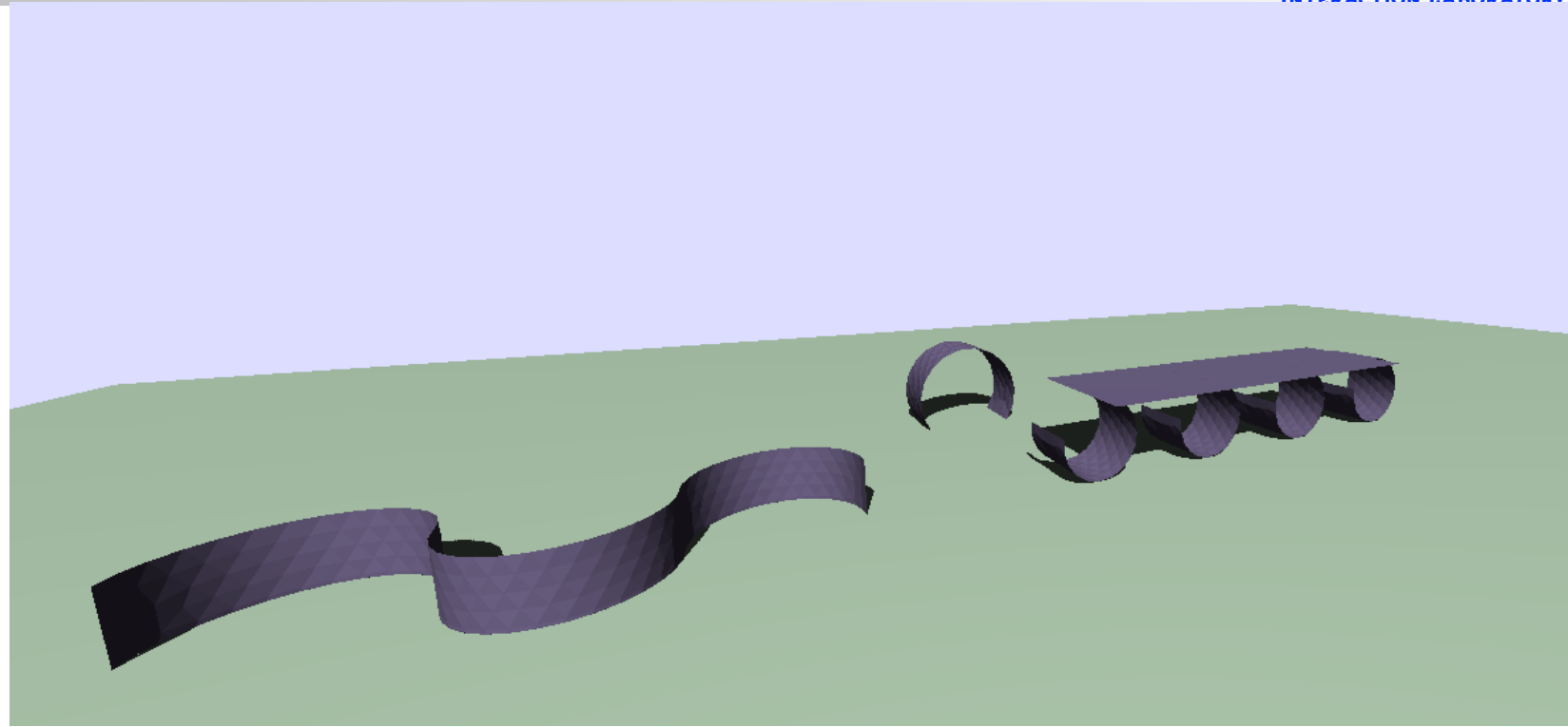
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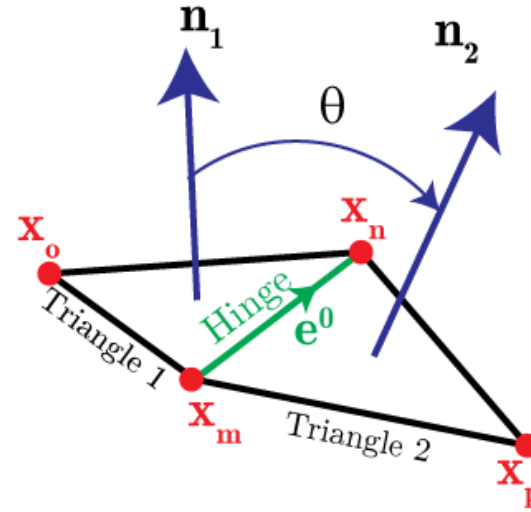
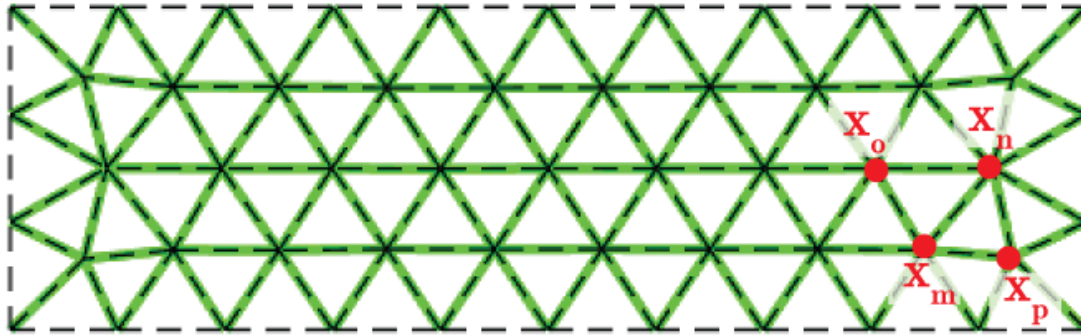
Degrees of Freedom (DOF) vector,

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ x_N \\ y_N \\ z_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{x}_N \end{bmatrix}$$



k -th node corresponds to DOF # $[3k - 2, 3k - 1, 3k]$
i.e. $\mathbf{x}_k = \mathbf{q}([3k - 2, 3k - 1, 3k])$

Only difference between discrete plate and discrete shell



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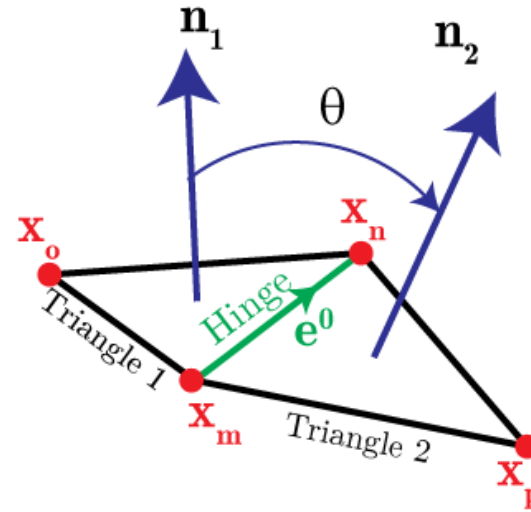
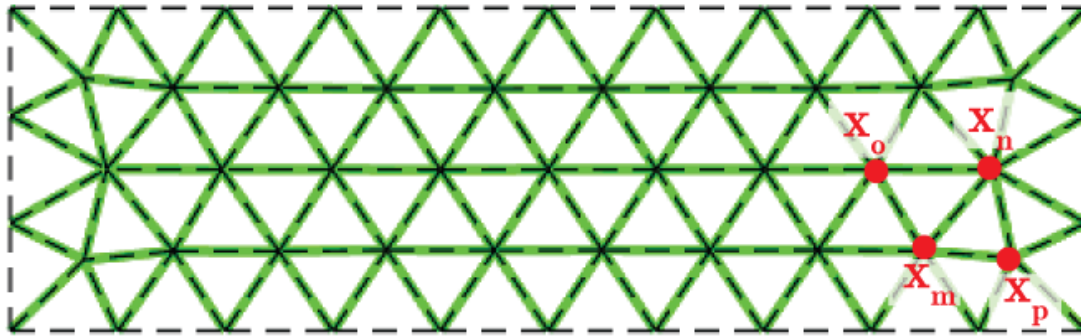
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$$E_b^k = \frac{1}{2} k_b (\theta - \bar{\theta})^2$$

$\bar{\theta}$ is the hinge angle in undeformed configuration
($\bar{\theta} = 0$ for a plate)

Be careful about the sign. Hinge angle θ is a signed angle from \mathbf{n}_1 to \mathbf{n}_2 about the hinge vector



Discrete Elastic Shells (DES)

Algorithm 1 Discrete Elastic Shells

Require: $\mathbf{q}(t_j), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_j)$ ▷ DOFs and velocities at $t = t_j$
Require: `free_index` ▷ index of the free DOFs
Ensure: $\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1})$ ▷ DOFs and velocities at $t = t_{j+1}$

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1: Compute  $\bar{\theta}$  at each hinge at  $t = 0$ 

2: function DISCRETE_ELASTIC_PLATES(  $\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_j)$ )
3:   Guess:  $\mathbf{q}^{(1)}(t_{j+1}) \leftarrow \mathbf{q}(t_j)$ 
4:    $n \leftarrow 1$ 
5:   while error > tolerance do

6:     Compute  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\mathbb{J}$ 

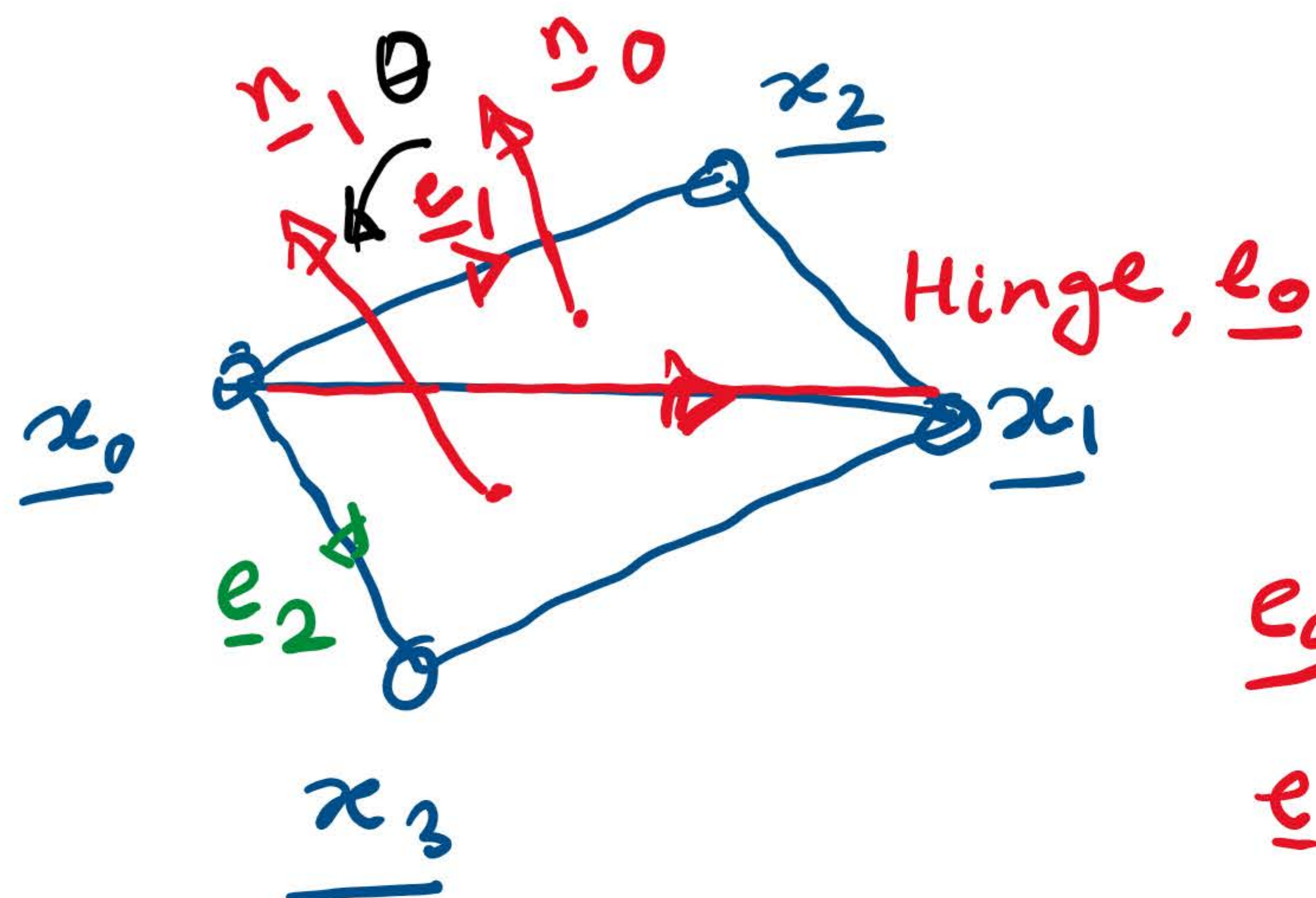
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11:    error  $\leftarrow \text{sum}(\text{abs}(f_{\text{free}}))$ 
12:     $n \leftarrow n + 1$ 
13:  end while

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15:   $\dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1}) \leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}) - \mathbf{q}(t_j)}{\Delta t}$ 
16:  return  $\mathbf{q}(t_{j+1}), \dot{\mathbf{q}}(t_{j+1})$ 
17: end function
```

Next Step



1. Incorporate external forces, e.g. hydrodynamics, into the simulation
2. Simulate contact and collision
3. Include kinematic constraints, e.g. rigid bodies
4. Model complex systems consisting of beams, rods, plates, shells, and rigid bodies



4 nodes

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{e}_0 &= \underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_0 \text{ (Hinge)} \\ \underline{e}_1 &= \underline{x}_2 - \underline{x}_0 \\ \underline{e}_2 &= \underline{x}_3 - \underline{x}_0 \end{aligned} \right\} 3 \text{ edges}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{n}_0 &= \underline{e}_0 \times \underline{e}_1 \\ \underline{n}_1 &= \underline{e}_2 \times \underline{e}_0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{may normalize} \\ \text{to make it unit} \end{array}$$

get Theta (12 numbers
 $\underline{x}_0, \underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_3$)

$$\theta = \text{signedAngle}(\underline{n}_0, \underline{n}_1, \underline{e}_0)$$

from to about

gradTheta : $\nabla \Theta$ [12 array]
 hessTheta : $\nabla^2 \Theta$ [12x12 array]

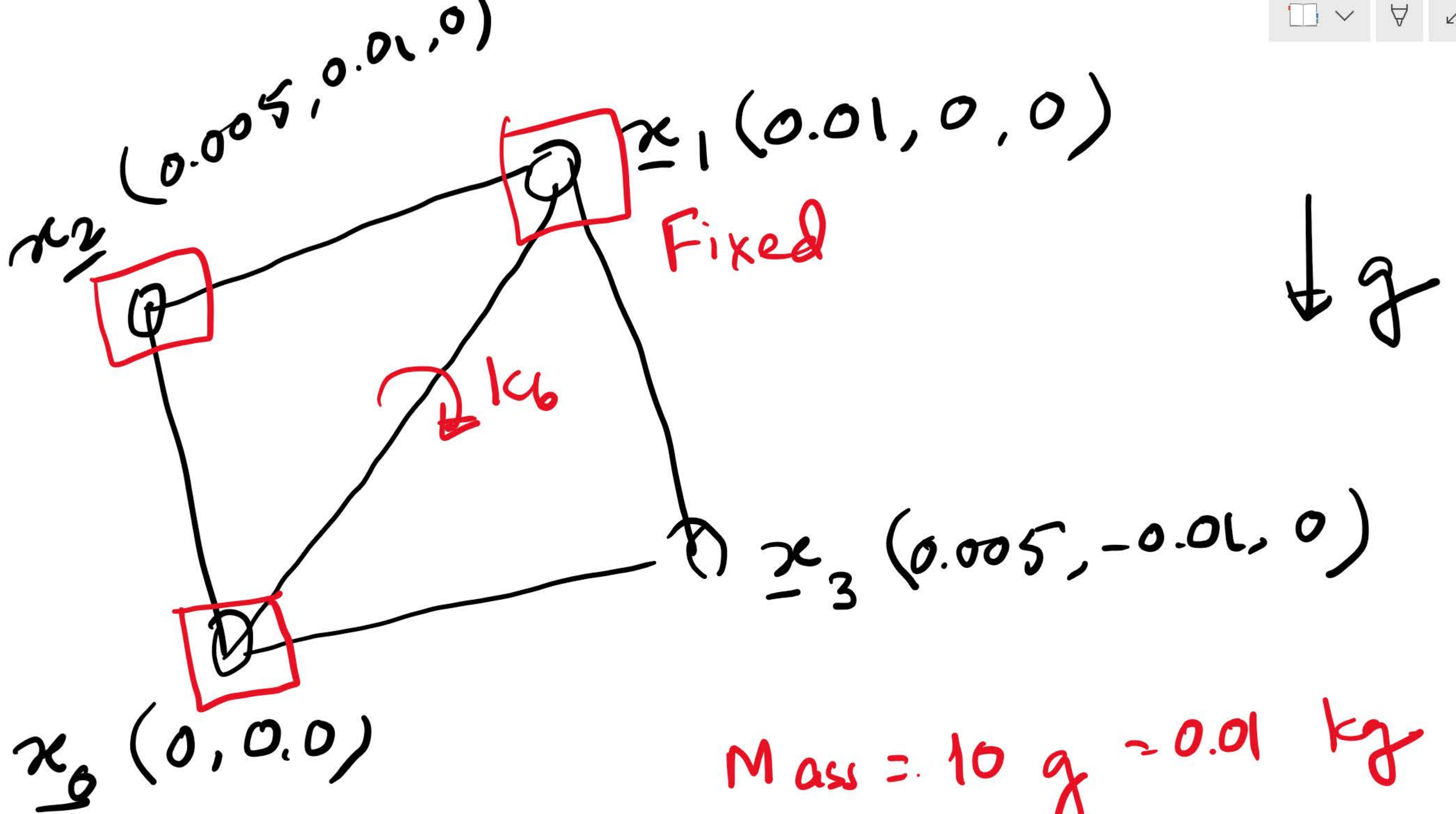
$$E_b^i = \frac{1}{2} k_b (\theta - \bar{\theta})^2 \rightarrow (\tan(\theta - \bar{\theta}))^2$$

Gradient $\bar{\theta} = 0$ (Plate) gradTheta

$$\nabla E_b^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} E_b^i = \frac{1}{2} k_b \cdot 2(\theta - \bar{\theta}) \nabla \theta = k_b (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \nabla \theta$$

Hessian

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla (\nabla E_b^i) &= \nabla (k_b (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \nabla \theta) \\ &= k_b (\theta - \bar{\theta}) \underbrace{\nabla^2 \theta}_{\text{hessTheta}} + k_b \underbrace{\nabla \theta \cdot \nabla \theta^T}_{\text{np.outer}} \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{Mass} = 10 \text{ g} = 0.01 \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{Weight} = 0.01 \times 9.81 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Young's modulus} = 10 \text{ MPa}$$

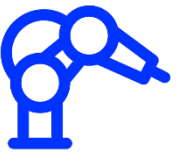
$$h = 0.001 \text{ m (thickness)}$$



Module : Plate Example

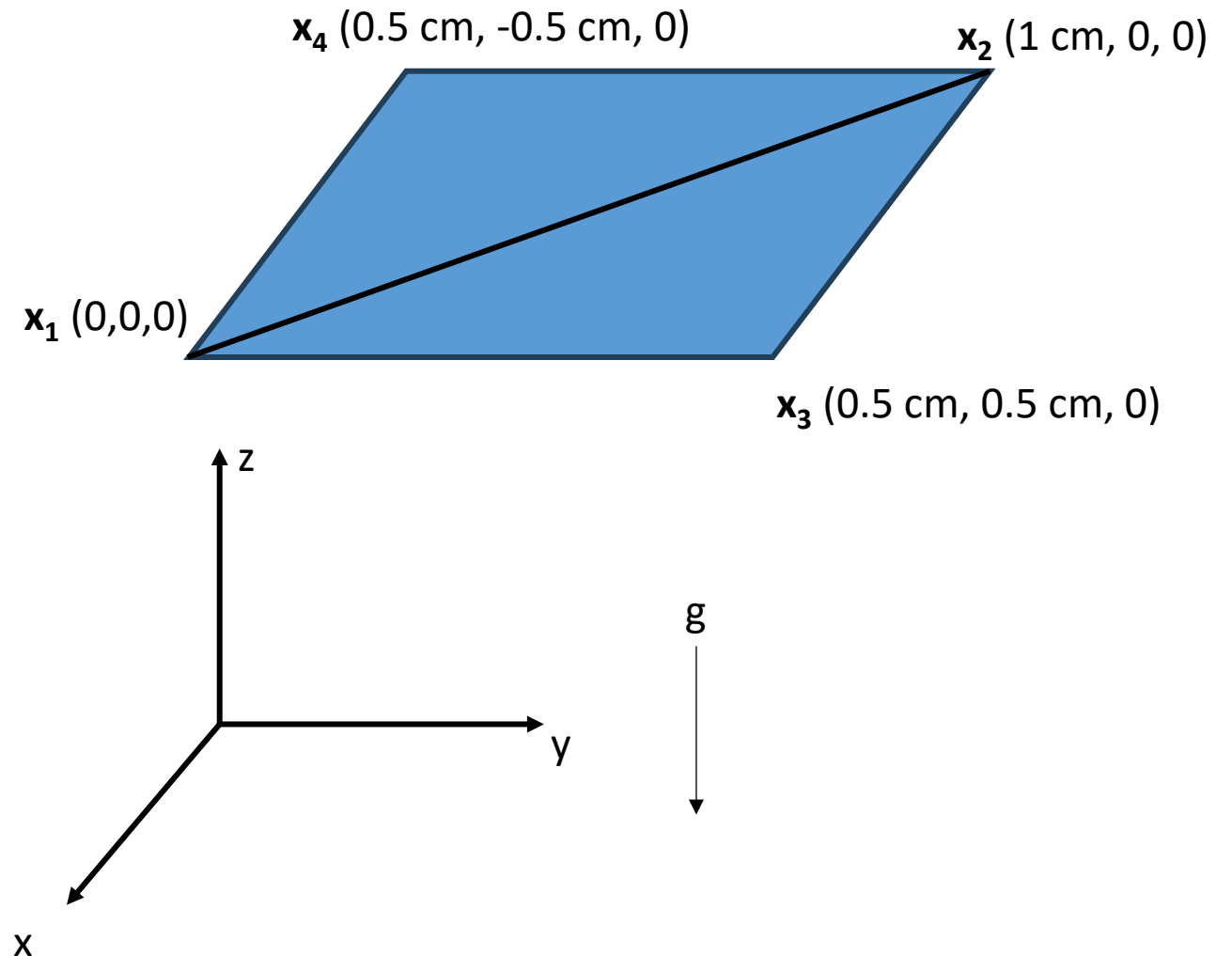
Discrete Elastic Plates (DEP) Algorithm

Problem Setup



STRUCTURES-COMPUTER
INTERACTION LABORATORY

- 4 nodes
- 3 nodes are fixed, one is free
- What is the deformed shape under gravity?

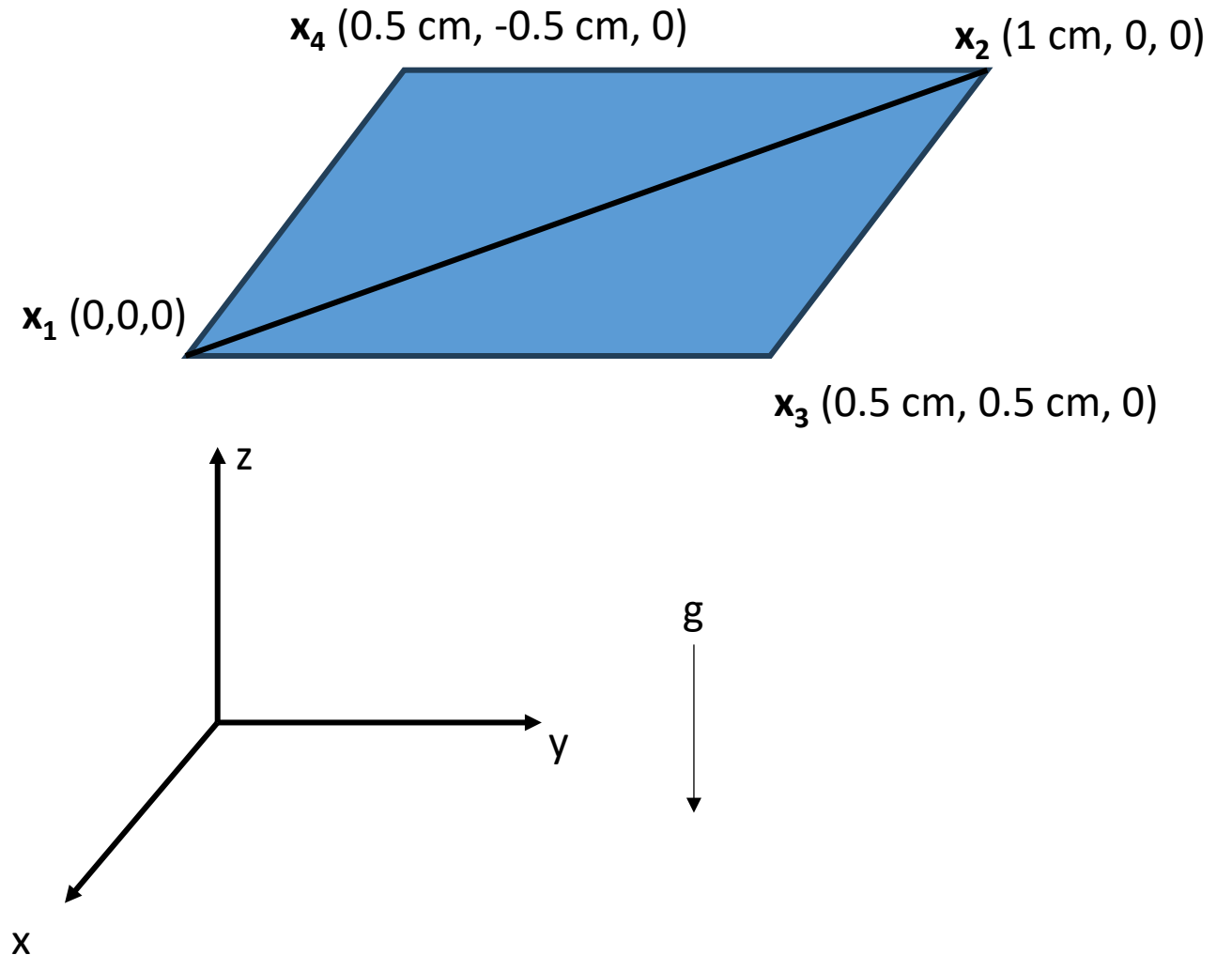


Parameters



STRUCTURES-COMPUTER
INTERACTION LABORATORY

- Thickness = 1 mm
- Young's modulus = 10 MPa
- Total mass = 10 g
- Gravity = -9.81 m/s^2
- Total time = 5 seconds
- Time step size = 0.01 second

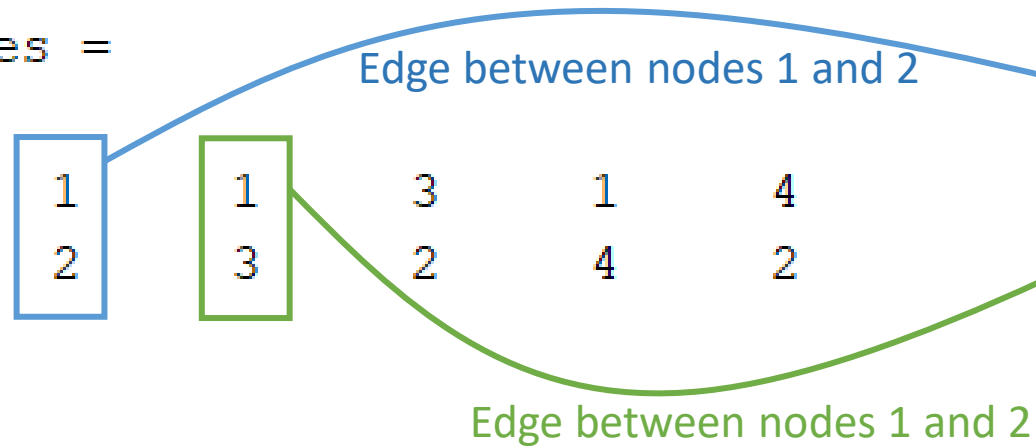




Problem Setup

Edges: 5x (Stretching)

Edges =



`%% Stretching: calculate lk and ks`

`lk = zeros(1,Nedge);`

`for c=1:Nedge`

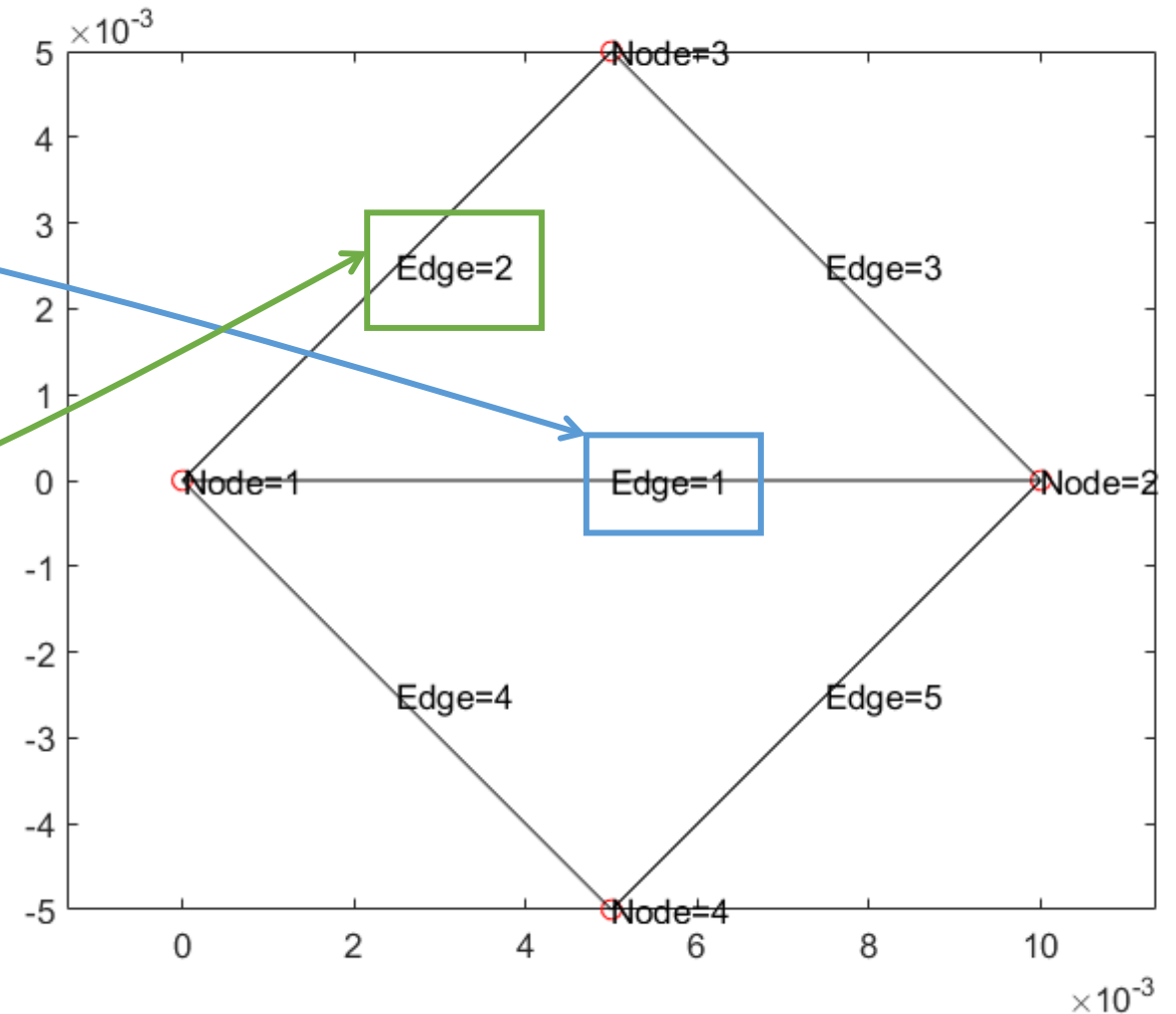
`node1 = Nodes(Edges(1,c), :);`

`node2 = Nodes(Edges(2,c), :);`

`lk(c) = norm(node1 - node2);`

`end`

`ks = sqrt(3)/2 * Y * h * lk.^ 2`





Problem Setup

Edges: 5x (Stretching)

Edges =

1	1	3	1	4
2	3	2	4	2

Hinges: 1x (Bending)

Hinges =

1
2
3
4

```
function [dF, dJ] = gradEb_hessEb_Shell(x0, x1, x2, x3, thetaBar, kb)
```

```
% //          x2
% //          /\
% //         /  \
% //        e1/    \e3
% //         /  t0  \
% //         /    e0 \
% //        x0-----x1
% //         \    t1 /
% //         \  e2  /e4
% //          \  /
% //           \/
% //          x3
```

```
%% Parameters and bending stiffness
```

```
h = 0.001; % Thickness in meter
```

```
Y = 10^7; % Young's modulus in Pa
```

```
kb = 2/sqrt(3) * Y * (h^3)/12;
```

```
theta_bar = zeros(1, Nhinge); % Zero in our case
```

Time Stepping



```
for t=1:1:Nsteps
    [q,v] = DiscreteElasticPlates(q,v);
end
```

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