

The Foundation of Bridges

The Mathematical Basis of Bridge
Design and Construction



Overview



History

- Romans
- Middle Ages
- Renaissance
- Industrial Revolution (1740-1840)





All Bridges

Settlement of Supports

Loads

Factor of Safety

- Dead Load

$$F_{L,D} = \int_n w(x)dx$$
$$L_D = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i l_i(\mu_i)$$

- Live Load

$$F_l = (F_y) \left(\frac{dV}{dt} \right)$$

Partial Safety Factors

$$P_f = \int \cdots \int f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1, dx_2, \dots, dx_n$$

$$P_f = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(B) \cdot f(M) dM$$

$$P_f = \Phi \left[\frac{-m_Z}{\sigma_Z} \right] = \Phi \left[- \frac{m_B - m_M}{\sqrt{\sigma_B^2 + \sigma_M^2}} \right] = \Phi[-\beta]$$



Material Properties

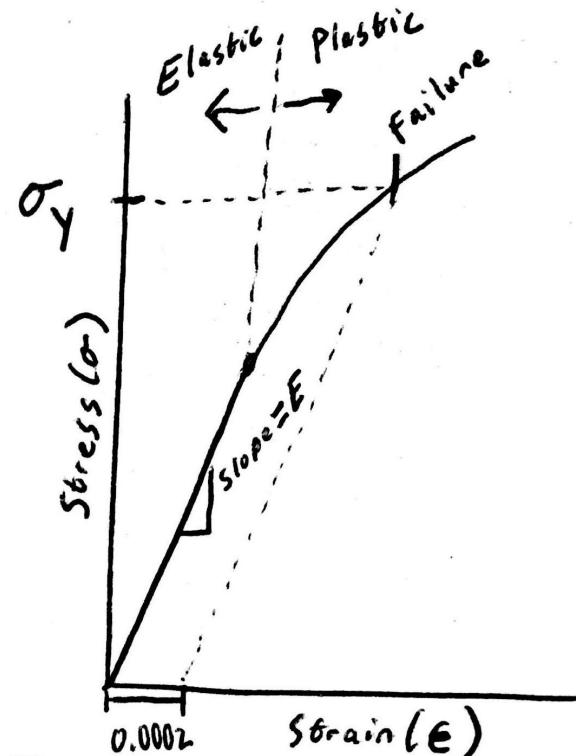
Stress-Strain

Properties of Specific Materials

Stress-Strain

$$E = \frac{\sigma_E}{\epsilon}$$

$$\sigma_E = \frac{F_I}{A_0} \quad \epsilon = \frac{\Delta l}{l_0}$$



Steel



Iron



Concrete



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Timber



Stone





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Bridge Designs

Arch

Suspension

Cable-Stayed

Truss

Arch Bridge

Fig: 215.

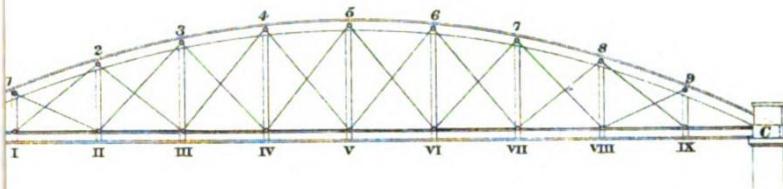
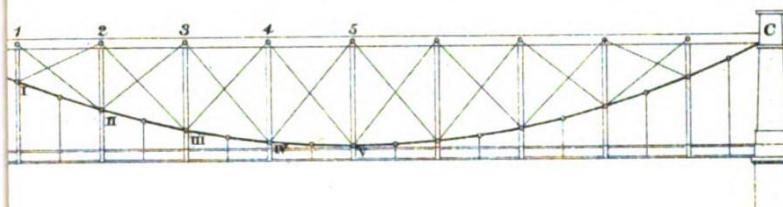
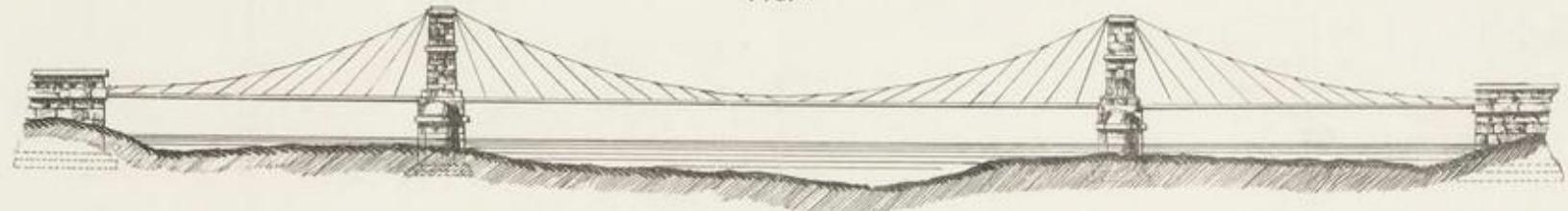


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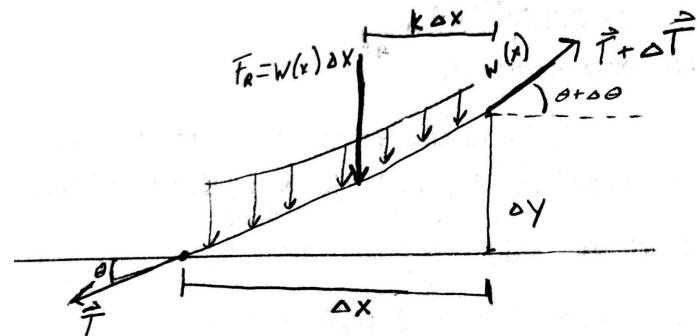


$$5 L^2$$

$$\frac{24}{dE}$$



Suspension Curve of Draping Cable



$$\sum M = 0 = w(x)(\Delta x)k(\Delta x) - T \cos \theta \Delta y + T \sin \theta \Delta x$$

$$\sum F_x = 0 = -T \cos \theta + (T + \Delta T) \cos(\theta + \Delta \theta)$$

$$\sum F_y = 0 = -T \sin \theta - w(x)(\Delta x) + (T + \Delta T) \sin(\theta + \Delta \theta)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{F_H} \int \left(\int w(x) dx \right) dx$$

Cable-Stayed



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Truss



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Failure of Bridges

Lateral Buckling of Beams

Elastic Buckling of Plates

Lateral Buckling of Beams

$$M_{cr} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{l_e^2} \sqrt{\frac{I_y I_w}{\alpha}} \beta$$

$$M_{cr} = P_E \left(\frac{h\gamma}{2\sqrt{\alpha}} \right)$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{1 + \frac{l_e^2 G J}{\pi^2 E I_w}}$$

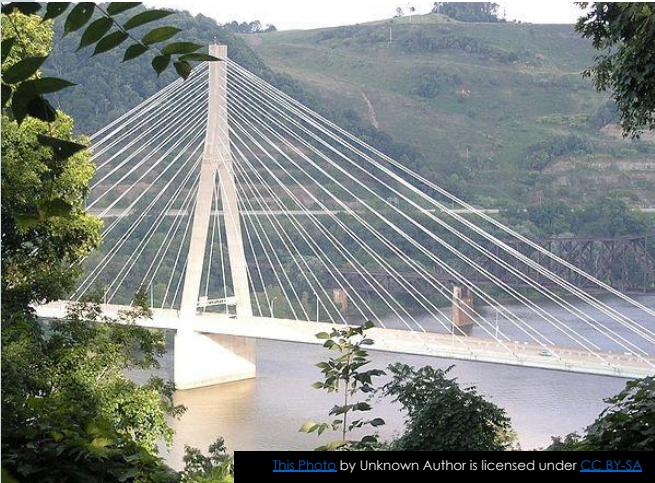
Elastic Buckling of Plates

$$\frac{\partial^4 \omega}{\partial x^4} + \frac{2\partial^4 \omega}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^4 \omega}{\partial y^4} = -\frac{F_c}{D} \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x^2}$$

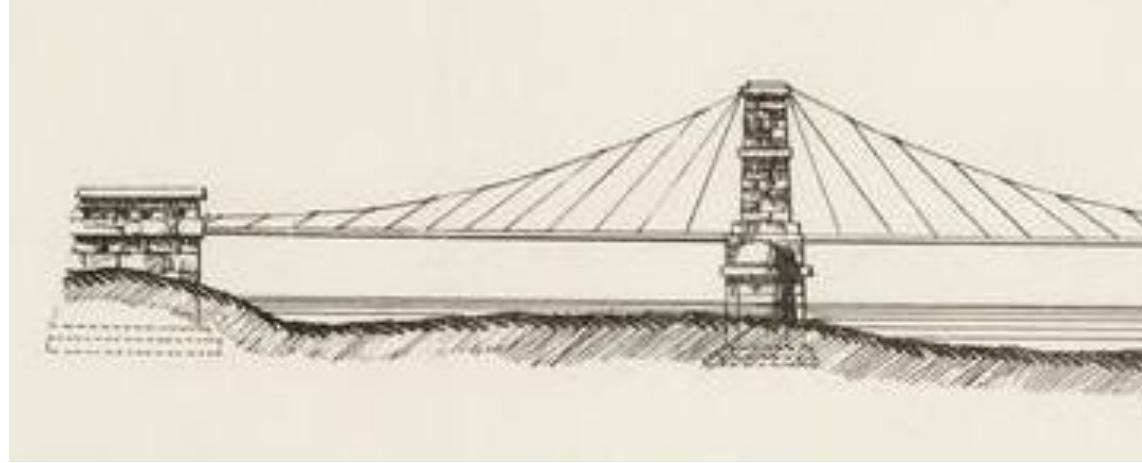
$$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4} \left(\delta \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} \right) + \frac{2\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2} \left(\delta \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} \right) + \dots$$

$$\dots + \frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^4} \left(\delta \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} \right) = -\frac{F_c}{\frac{Et^3}{12(1-\mu^2)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \left(\delta \sin \frac{m\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{m\pi y}{b} \right)$$

$$F_c = \frac{\pi^2 D}{b^2} \left(\frac{ma}{b} + \frac{b}{ma} \right)^2$$



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