# **DIRECT STIFFNESS METHODS**

**BEAMS AND BEAM-COLUMNS** 

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We arrived at the beam governing equation as

$$\frac{d}{dx^2}\left(EI\frac{dw}{dx^2}\right) = -q(x), \quad \forall x$$

where w is our beam displacement.

Also we have

$$m(x) = EI \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$$
  $\leftarrow$  Internal moment  $v(x) = \frac{dm}{dx}(x) = EI \frac{d^3u}{dx^3}$   $\leftarrow$  Internal shear

#### The differential problem

Find  $w[0,\ell] \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\frac{d}{dx^2}\left(EI\frac{dw}{dx^2}\right)=0, \quad \forall x\in(0,\ell)$$

and

$$w(O) = w_i, \quad w'(O) = \theta(O) = \theta_i$$
  
 $w(\ell) = w_j, \quad w'(\ell) = \theta(\ell) = \theta_j$ 

The analytical solution of the above problem is

$$w(x) = N_1(x) w_i + N_2(x)\theta_i + N_3(x)w_j + N_4(x)\theta_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{1}(x) &= 1 - 3\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{2} + 2\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{3} \\ N_{2}(x) &= \ell \left[\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right) - 2\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{3}\right] \\ N_{3}(x) &= 3\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{2} - 2\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{3} \\ N_{4}(x) &= \ell \left[\left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{3} - \left(\frac{x}{\ell}\right)^{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} V_{i} \\ M_{i} \\ V_{j} \\ M_{j} \end{array} \right\} = EI \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} N_{1}'''(0) & N_{2}'''(0) & N_{3}'''(0) & N_{4}'''(0) \\ -N_{1}''(0) & -N_{2}''(0) & -N_{3}''(0) & -N_{4}''(0) \\ -N_{1}'''(\ell) & -N_{2}''(\ell) & -N_{3}'''(\ell) & -N_{4}'''(\ell) \\ N_{1}''(\ell) & N_{2}''(\ell) & N_{3}''(\ell) & N_{4}''(\ell) \end{array} \right] \left\{ \begin{array}{c} w_{i} \\ \theta_{i} \\ w_{j} \\ \theta_{j} \end{array} \right\}.$$

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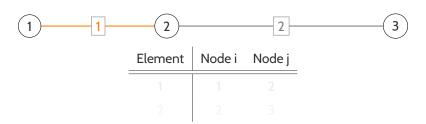
The nodal equilibrium equations then reduce

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} V_{i} \\ M_{i} \\ V_{j} \\ M_{j} \end{array} \right\} = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} k_{fv} & k_{f\theta} & -k_{fv} & k_{f\theta} \\ k_{mv} & k_{m\theta} & -k_{mv} & \hat{k}_{m\theta} \\ -k_{fv} & -k_{f\theta} & k_{fv} & -k_{f\theta} \\ k_{mv} & \hat{k}_{m\theta} & -k_{mv} & k_{m\theta} \end{array} \right] \left\{ \begin{array}{c} w_{i} \\ \theta_{i} \\ w_{j} \\ \theta_{j} \end{array} \right\}$$

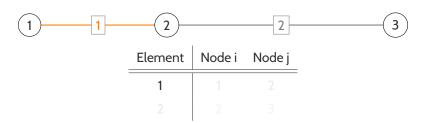
$$k_{\text{fv}} = \frac{12 \text{EI}}{\ell^3}, \quad k_{\text{mv}} = k_{\text{f}\theta} = \frac{6 \text{EI}}{\ell^2}, \quad k_{\text{m}\theta} = \frac{4 \text{EI}}{\ell}, \quad \hat{k}_{\text{m}\theta} \frac{2 \text{EI}}{\ell}$$



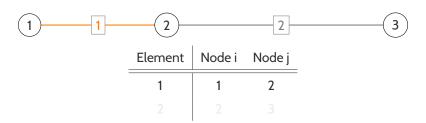




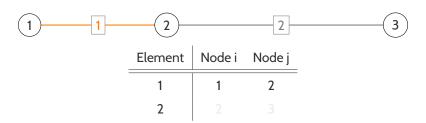




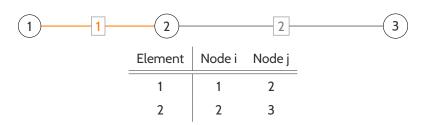


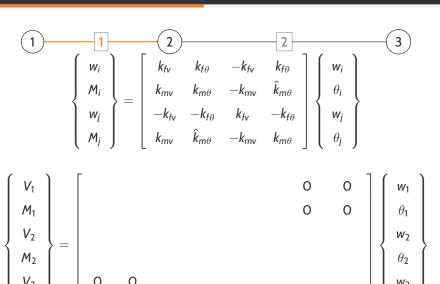












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**CONSTRAINTS** 

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