

ASEN 3112

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Lecture 22

Whiteboard

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Stability of Structures

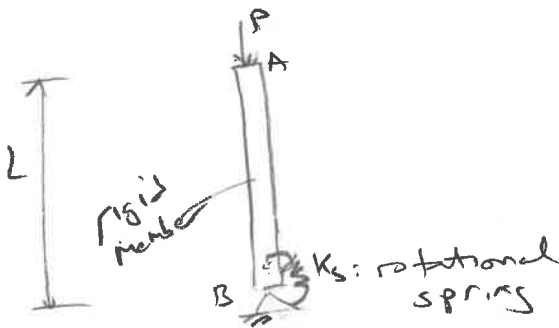
In structural mechanics, structures or structural systems under certain conditions — configuration, nature of loading, geometric properties, material properties — can experience sudden and excessive deformation under compressive-type loading

- commonly known as "buckling"
- once buckling occurs, the structure may be stable or unstable
- if post-buckling is unstable, the system may no longer bear load

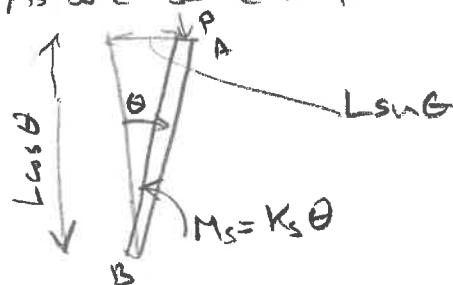


Theory — Read text book chapter & lecture notes

Consider following structural system:



1. Assume some "deformed" configuration



2. Moment equilibrium

$$\sum M_B = 0 \quad \uparrow +$$

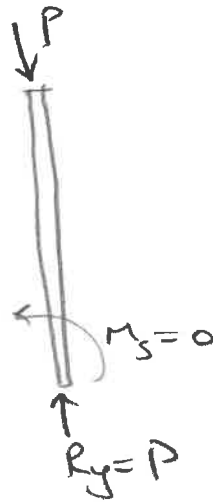
$$M_s - PL \sin \theta = 0$$

$$K_s \theta - P L \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\frac{L^2}{2}$$

Two possible states.

a) $\theta = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0$

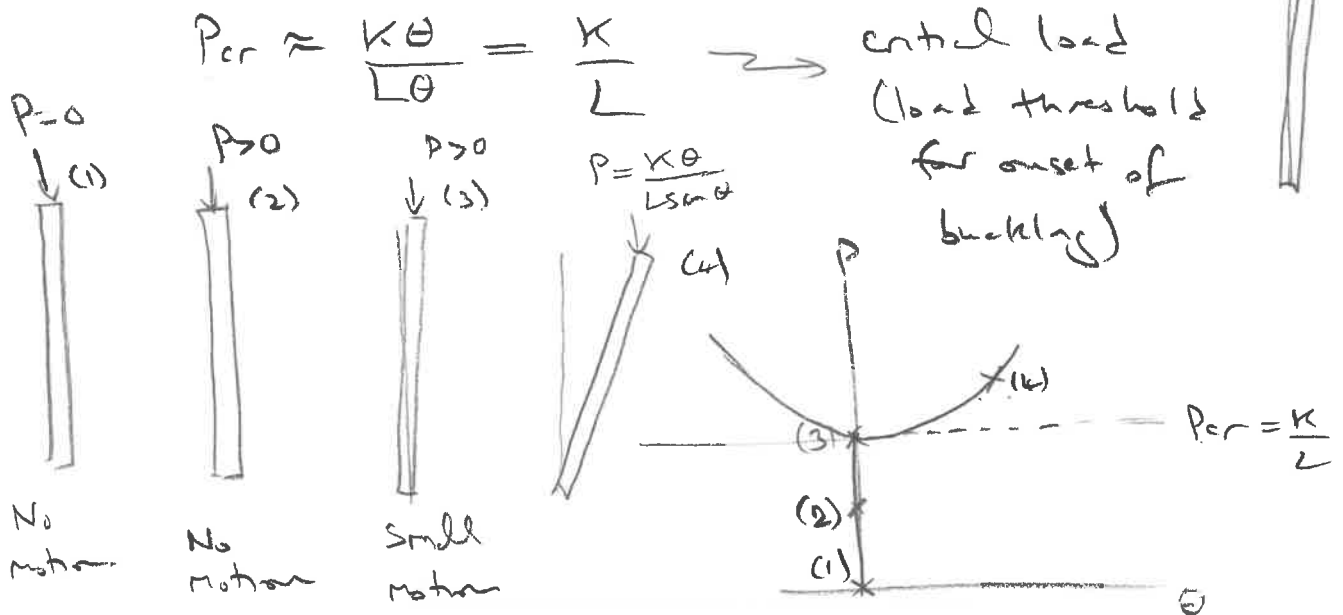


b) $P = \frac{K\theta}{L\sin\theta}$



Take limit as $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\sin \theta \rightarrow \theta$

small θ



Post-buckling

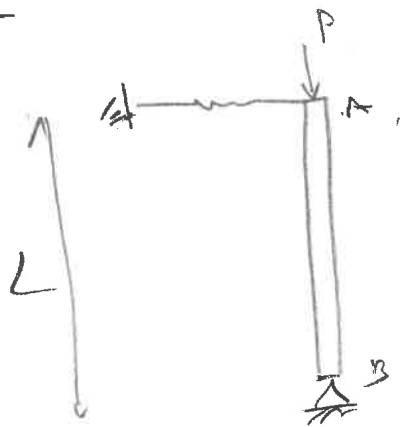
P vs θ : θ grows faster than $\sin \theta$

$$\left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \theta} \right|_{\theta=0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\frac{K\theta}{L\sin\theta} \right) > 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable post-buckling state}$$

Alternatively, look at energy $E = U - W = \frac{1}{2} K\theta^2 - P(L - L\cos\theta)$
potential work

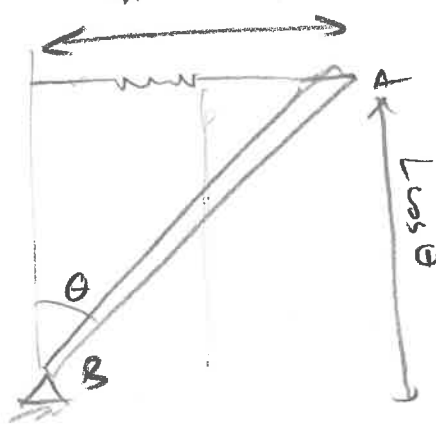
$$\left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow P = \frac{K\theta}{L\sin\theta} ; \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial \theta^2} < 0 \Rightarrow \text{stable (if } > 0, \text{ unstable)} \right]$$

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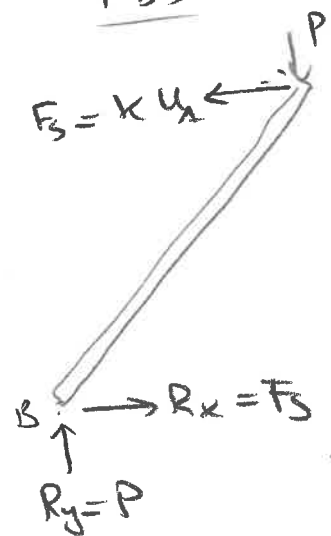
1) Consider deformed config

$$u_A = L \sin \theta$$



2) Draw FBD

FBD



3) $\sum M_B = 0$

$$P L \sin \theta - F_s L \cos \theta = 0$$

$$P L \sin \theta = F_s L \cos \theta$$

$$P L \sin \theta = k u_A L \cos \theta$$

$$P L \sin \theta = k L \sin \theta L \cos \theta$$

$$(P - k L \cos \theta) L \sin \theta = 0$$

For nontrivial solution:

$$P - k L \cos \theta = 0$$

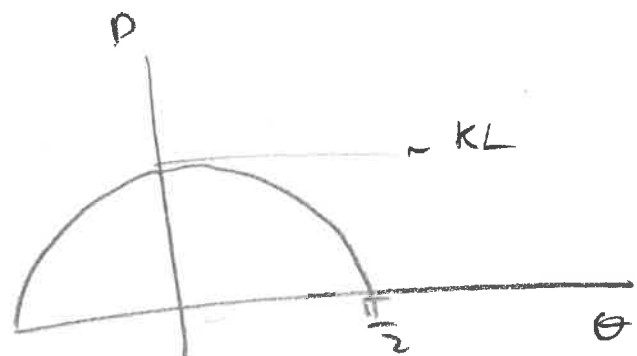
$$P_{cr} = k L \cos \theta$$

$$\theta \rightarrow 0, \cos \theta \rightarrow 1$$

$$P_{cr} \approx k L$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial P}{\partial \theta} \right|_{\theta=0} = -k L \sin \theta < 0$$

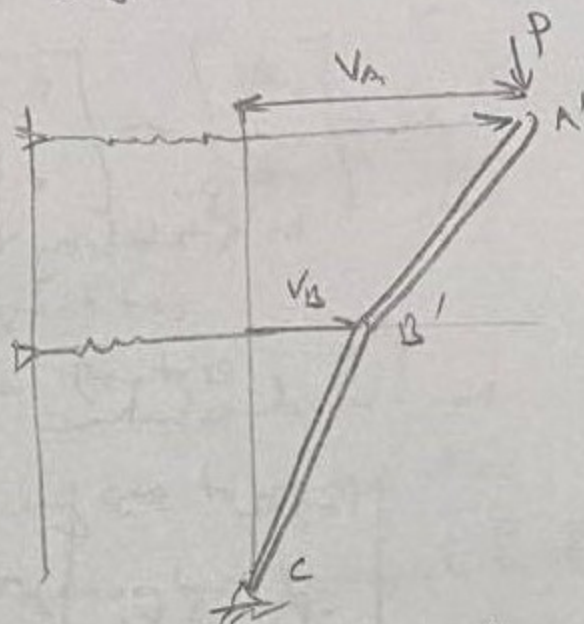
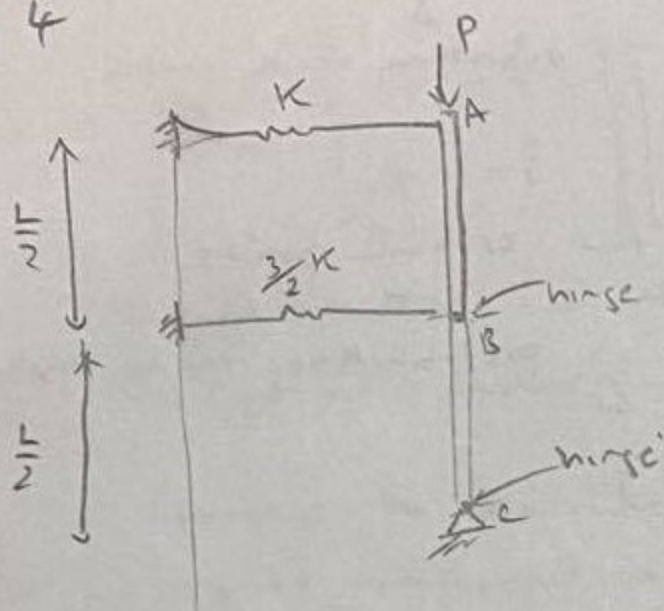
\rightarrow unstable



L22

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Now consider a system consisting of 2 degrees of freedom



V_A, V_B independent degrees of freedom

Consider 2 subsystems (full system being an option):

- start AB & start BC
- start AB & column ABC ← select this one
- start BC & column ABC

Start AB

$$\sum M_{B'} = 0$$

$$P(V_A - V_B) - F_A \left(\frac{L}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$P(V_A - V_B) - K V_A \frac{L}{2} = 0$$

Column ABC

$$\sum M_C = 0$$

$$P V_A - K L V_A - 3 K L \frac{V_B}{4}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P - \frac{1}{2} K L & -P \\ P - K L & -\frac{3}{4} K L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_A \\ V_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

A
Stability matrix

matrix stability
Equation

→ EUP for
stability

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Note: In vibrations \rightarrow EVP for natural frequencies
&
vibration mode shapes

In stability \rightarrow EVP for critical loads
&

post-buckling mode shapes

Non-trivial solution

$$\begin{vmatrix} P - \frac{1}{2}KL & -P \\ -P & -\frac{3}{4}KL \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

\rightarrow characteristic equation:

$$P^2 - \frac{7}{4}KLP + \frac{3}{8}K^2L^2 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{quadratic equation.}$$

$$P_{cr1} = \frac{1}{4}KL = 0.25KL, \quad P_{cr2} = \frac{3}{2}KL = 1.5KL$$

The critical load is the smallest of two

$$P_{cr} = P_{cr1} = \frac{1}{4}KL = \underline{\underline{0.25KL}}$$

\rightarrow Eigenvalues give critical loads (lowest one is "the" critical load)

\rightarrow Eigenvectors give postbuckling mode shapes

Post-Buckling mode shapes (interested in both)

Substitute $P_{cr1} = \frac{1}{4}KL$ into $\underline{A}\underline{v} = \underline{0}$

$$\frac{KL}{4} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{A1} \\ v_{B1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v_{A1} \\ v_{B1} \end{bmatrix} = C_1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

\uparrow
1st mode shape.

$\frac{L_{22}}{6}$

Substitute $P_{cr2} = \frac{3}{2}KL$ into $\underline{A}\underline{V} = \underline{0}$

$$\frac{KL}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & -6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{A2} \\ V_{B2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} V_{A2} \\ V_{B2} \end{bmatrix} = c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenvectors are not absolute quantities

c_1, c_2 are arbitrary, nonzero factors

Common to normalize in a way as to make the largest component in each eigenvector to equal to 1.

$$c_1 = -1$$

$$c_2 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{V}}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

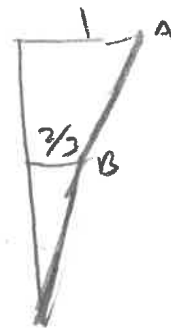
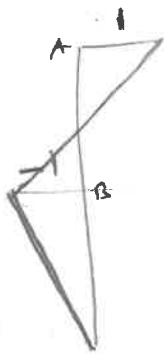
$$\underline{\tilde{V}}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

for P_{cr1}

↑
1st stability
mode shape

for P_{cr2}

↑
2nd stability
mode shape



These are
"discrete"
buckling
problems