

**PROBLEM STATEMENT** | THE TWO MEMBER TRUSS SHOWN IS BEING MODELED IN CLASS USING THE FINITE ELEMENT TECHNIQUE. USE THE TWO DIMENSIONAL TRUSS DEVELOPED IN THE LAB TO SOLVE FOR THE DEFLECTION AT B AND THE REACTIONS AT A AND B. THE TRUSS MEMBERS ARE MADE OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SECTION ( $d = 0.25 \text{ in}$ ) ALLOY STEEL.

**GIVEN:**

1. TWO MEMBER TRUSS.
2. ALL JOINTS ON THE TRUSS ARE RESTRICTED FROM HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL TRANSLATIONS.
3. BOTH MEMBERS OF THE ARE ATTACHED WITH A PIN JOINT AT B.
4. A 50 lb LOAD IS APPLIED AT C.

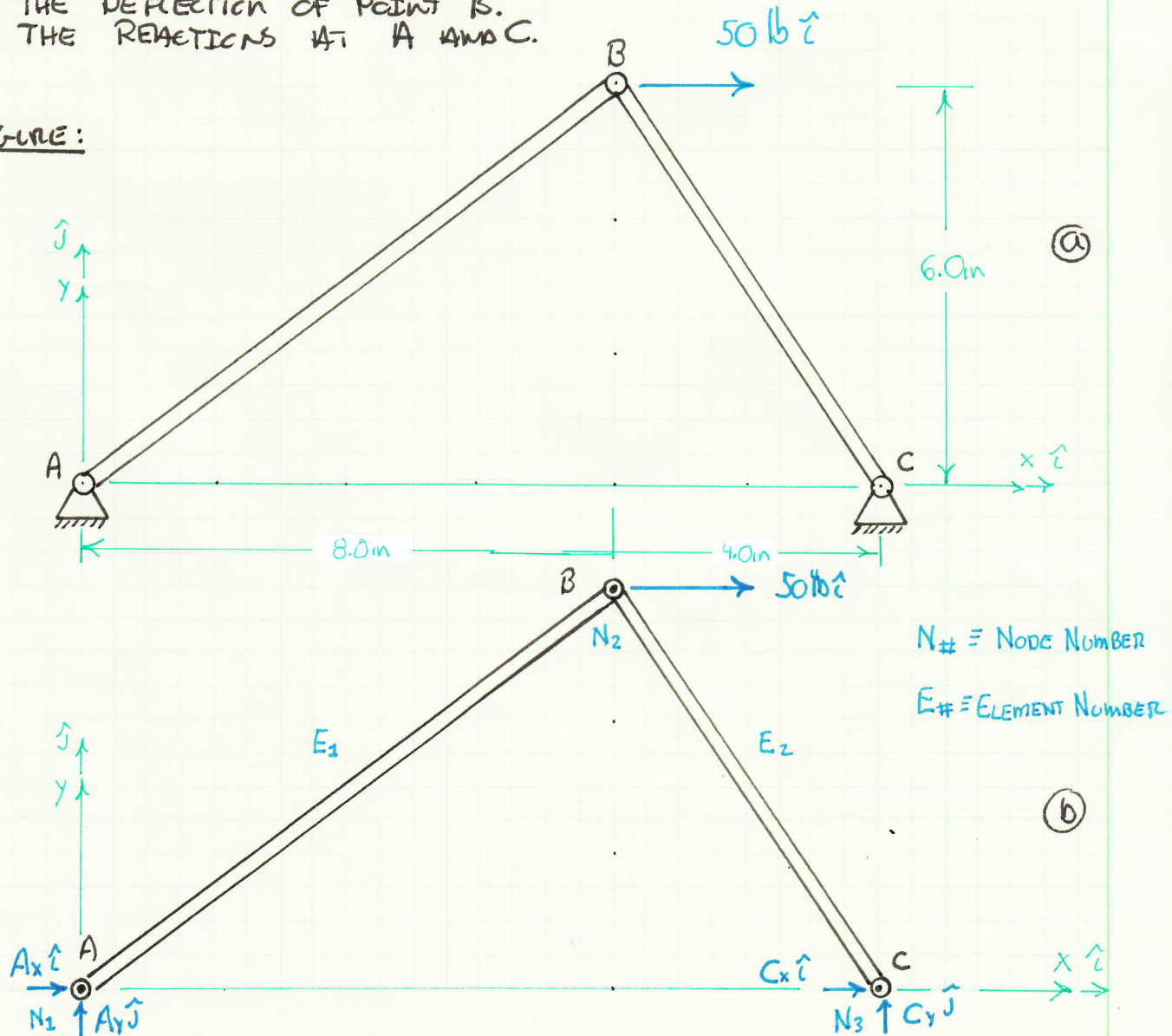
**ASSUMPTIONS:**

1. SMALL DEFLECTIONS
2. MEMBERS ARE LINEAR ELASTIC AND CAN ONLY CARRY AXIAL LOADS.
3. THE JOINTS ARE FRICTIONLESS

**FIND:**

1. THE DEFLECTION OF POINT B.
2. THE REACTIONS AT A AND C.

**FIGURE:**



SOLUTION:

STARTING WITH THE COMPUTATION OF THE STIFFNESS OF THE TWO ELEMENTS IN THIS TRUSS.

$$k_1 = \frac{A_1 \cdot E_1}{L_1} = \frac{\pi \cdot (0.25 \text{ in})^2}{4} \cdot \frac{30(10^6) \text{ lb/in}^2}{\sqrt{(6.0 \text{ in})^2 + (8.0 \text{ in})^2}} = \underline{\underline{147.3(10^3) \text{ lb/in}}} \quad (1)$$

$$k_2 = \frac{A_2 \cdot E_2}{L_2} = \frac{\pi \cdot (0.25 \text{ in})^2}{4} \cdot \frac{30(10^6) \text{ lb/in}^2}{\sqrt{(4.0 \text{ in})^2 + (6.0 \text{ in})^2}} = \underline{\underline{204.2(10^3) \text{ lb/in}}} \quad (2)$$

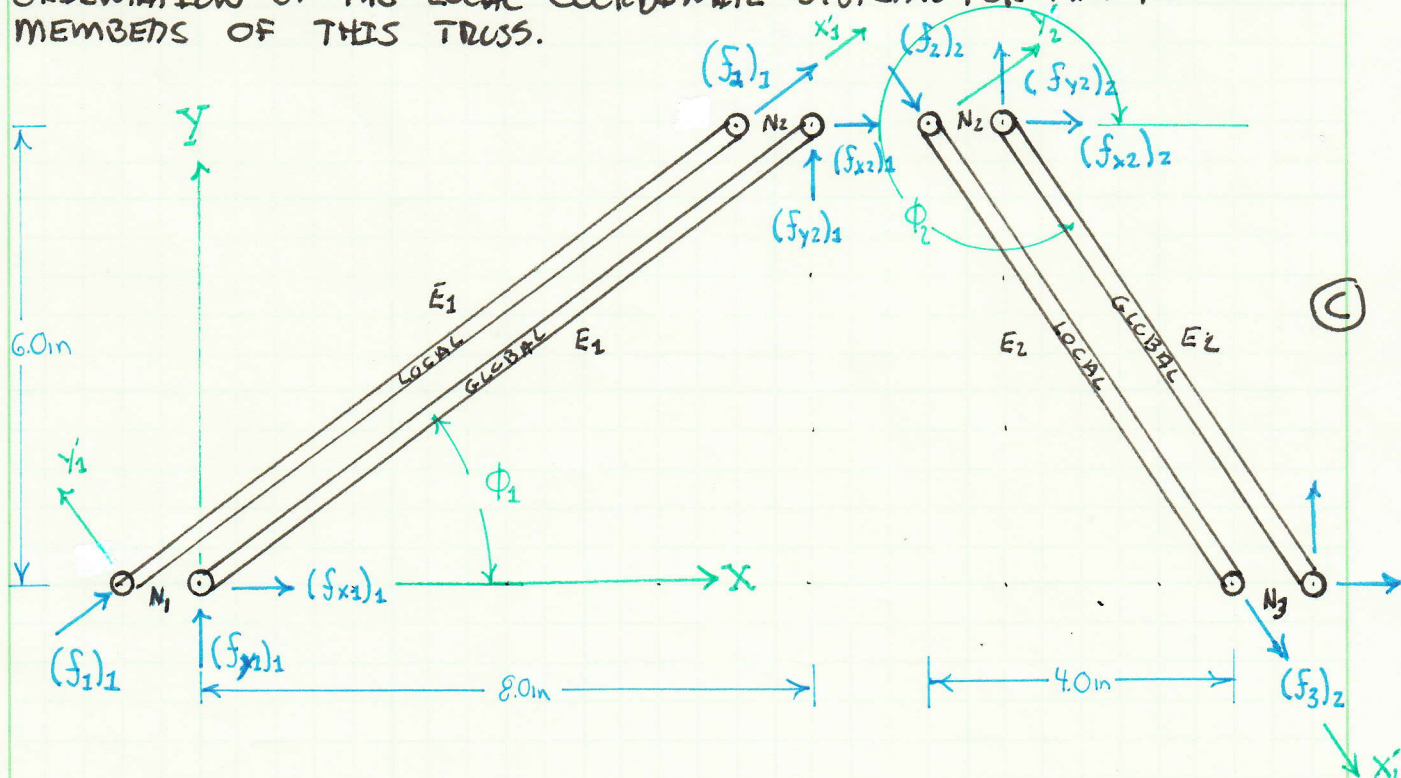
THE ANGLE EACH ELEMENT MAKES WITH THE POSITIVE HORIZONTAL AXES (X). IT IS IMPORTANT THAT IN THE GENERAL FORM OF OF THE CALCULATION OF THIS ANGLE

$$\phi_I = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y_j - y_i}{x_j - x_i} \right)$$

WHERE "I" IS THE ELEMENT NUMBER, AND  $i$  &  $j$  ARE NODE NUMBERS, THAT THE CONVENTION THAT

- THE NODE "i" IS THE LOWER NODE NUMBER, AND
- THE NODE "j" IS THE LARGER NODE NUMBER

GIVEN THIS STANDARD CONVENTION (C) ILLUSTRATES  $\phi_I$  AND THE ORIENTATION OF THE LOCAL COORDINATE SYSTEMS FOR THE TWO MEMBERS OF THIS TRUSS.





FOR THE TROSS MEMBERS SHOWN IN (C)

$$\phi_1 = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{6m - 0}{8m - 0} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{6m}{8m} \right) = 36.87^\circ \quad (3)$$

$$\phi_2 = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{y_3 - y_2}{x_3 - x_2} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{0m - 6m}{12m - 8m} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-6.0m}{4.0m} \right) = 303.69^\circ \quad (4)$$

THE TRANSFORMATION MATRICES FOR EACH ELEMENT CAN NOW BE CALCULATED.

$$\{u\}_{LOCAL} = [T] \{u\}_{GLOBAL} \Rightarrow \quad (5)$$

$$\{f\}_{LOCAL} = [T] \{f\}_{GLOBAL} \quad (6)$$

LETTING  $l = \cos \phi$  AND  $m = \sin \phi$ , THE TRANSFORMATION MATRICES FOR THE TWO ELEMENTS CAN BE WRITTEN

$$[T_1] = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 & m_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & l_1 & m_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.800 & 0.600 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.800 & 0.600 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

$$[T_2] = \begin{bmatrix} l_2 & m_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & l_2 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5547 & -0.8320 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5547 & -0.8320 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

$\{u\}_{LOCAL}$  AND  $\{f\}_{LOCAL}$  ARE ONE DIMENSIONAL ELEMENTS AND  $\{u\}_{GLOBAL}$  AND  $\{f\}_{GLOBAL}$  ARE TWO DIMENSIONAL. THE SECOND DIMENSION IS NOW ADDED TO THE LOCAL SYSTEM EVEN THOUGH IT WILL ALWAYS BE 0.

$$\{u\}_{LOCAL} = \begin{Bmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{xj} \\ u_{yj} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l & m & 0 & 0 \\ -m & l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & l & m \\ 0 & 0 & -m & l \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_{xi} \\ u_{yi} \\ u_{xj} \\ u_{yj} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\{f\}_{LOCAL} = \begin{Bmatrix} f_{xi} \\ f_{yi} \end{Bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} f_{xi} \\ f_{yi} \\ f_{xj} \\ f_{yj} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} l & m & 0 & 0 \\ -m & l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & l & m \\ 0 & 0 & -m & l \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} f_{xi} \\ f_{yi} \\ f_{xj} \\ f_{yj} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

THE TRANSFORMATION MATRICES IN (7) & (8) CAN NOW BE RE EXPANDED

$$[T_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 0.800 & 0.600 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.600 & 0.800 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.800 & 0.600 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.600 & 0.800 \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$[T_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5547 & -0.8320 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.8320 & 0.5547 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5547 & -0.8320 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8320 & 0.5547 \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

THE LOCAL STIFFNESS MATRICES  $[k]_{\text{local}}$  FOR EACH ELEMENT IN THE TRUSS NEEDS TO BE CALCULATED

$$\{F\}_{\text{local}} = [k]_{\text{local}} \{u\}_{\text{local}} \quad (13)$$

GIVEN THE STIFFNESS CALCULATIONS IN (1) & (2) AND THE DEFINITION OF THE LOCAL MATRIX IN (13)

$$[k]_{\text{local}} = \frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

THE LOCAL STIFFNESS MATRICES CAN NOW BE CALCULATED

$$[k_1]_{\text{local}} = 147.3(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

$$[k_2]_{\text{local}} = 204.2(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

(14) AND (15) NEED TO BE EXPANDED SO THEY ARE THE SAME DIMENSION AS THE GLOBAL ~~HA~~ PARAMETERS, ~~BUT~~ AND INSURE THAT THE LOCAL LOADS ARE AXIAL.

$$[k_1]_{\text{local}} = 147.3(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

$$[k_2]_{\text{local}} = 204.2(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (17)$$

THE LOCAL STIFFNESS MATRICES IN (16) AND (17) NEED TO BE TRANSFORMED INTO THE GLOBAL SYSTEM. STARTING WITH (13)

$$\{F\}_{\text{local}} = [k]_{\text{local}} \{u\}_{\text{local}}$$

SUBSTITUTING IN (5) & (6)

$$[T] \cdot \{F\}_{\text{GLOBAL}} = [k]_{\text{local}} \cdot [T] \cdot \{u\}_{\text{GLOBAL}}$$

$$[T]^{-1} [T] \cdot \{F\}_{\text{GLOBAL}} = [T]^{-1} [k]_{\text{local}} [T] \cdot \{u\}_{\text{GLOBAL}}$$

$$\{F\}_{\text{GLOBAL}} = \underbrace{[T]^{-1} [k]_{\text{local}} [T]}_{\text{GLOBAL STIFFNESS } [K]} \{u\}_{\text{GLOBAL}}$$

$$\{F\}_{\text{GLOBAL}} = [K] \cdot \{u\}_{\text{GLOBAL}} \quad (18)$$



THE GLOBAL STIFFNESS MATRIX FOR EACH ELEMENT CAN NOW BE CALCULATED

$$[K]_{\text{GLOBAL}} = [T]^{-1} [k]_{\text{LOCAL}} [T] = [T]^T [k]_{\text{LOCAL}} [T] \quad (19)$$

$[T]^{-1} = [T]^T$  BECAUSE  $[T]$  IS AN ORTHOGONAL MATRIX. (16) AND (17)  
CAN NOW BE TRANSFORMED INTO THE GLOBAL SYSTEM USING (11) & (12)

$$[K_1] = \begin{bmatrix} 0.800 & -0.600 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.600 & 0.800 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.800 & -0.600 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.600 & 0.800 \end{bmatrix} \cdot 147.3(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.800 & 0.600 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.600 & 0.800 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.800 & 0.600 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.600 & 0.800 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 147.3(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6400 & 0.4800 & -0.6400 & -0.4800 \\ 0.4800 & 0.3600 & -0.4800 & -0.3600 \\ -0.6400 & -0.4800 & 0.6400 & 0.4800 \\ -0.4800 & -0.3600 & 0.4800 & 0.3600 \end{bmatrix} \quad (20)$$

$$[K_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5547 & 0.8326 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.8326 & 0.5547 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5547 & 0.8326 \\ 0 & 0 & -0.8326 & 0.5547 \end{bmatrix} \cdot 204.2(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.5547 & -0.8326 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.8326 & 0.5547 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5547 & -0.8326 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8326 & 0.5547 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 204.2(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 0.3077 & -0.4615 & -0.3077 & 0.4615 \\ -0.4615 & 0.6923 & 0.4615 & -0.6923 \\ -0.3077 & 0.4615 & 0.3077 & -0.4615 \\ 0.4615 & -0.6923 & -0.4615 & 0.6923 \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

1

$[T]^T =$

0.8	-0.6	0	0
0.6	0.8	0	0
0	0	0.8	-0.6
0	0	0.6	0.8

$[k^*] =$

Does not include stiffness constant

1	0	-1	0
0	0	0	0
-1	0	1	0
0	0	0	0

$[T] =$

0.8	0.6	0	0
-0.6	0.8	0	0
0	0	0.8	0.6
0	0	-0.6	0.8

$[K] =$

Global Stiffness w/o Constant

0.6400	0.4800	-0.6400	-0.4800
0.4800	0.3600	-0.4800	-0.3600
-0.6400	-0.4800	0.6400	0.4800
-0.4800	-0.3600	0.4800	0.3600

2

$[T]^T =$

0.554747	0.83207	0	0
-0.83207	0.554747	0	0
0	0	0.554747	0.83207
0	0	-0.83207	0.554747

$[k^*] =$

1	0	-1	0
0	0	0	0
-1	0	1	0
0	0	0	0

$[T] =$

0.5547	-0.832	0	0
0.832	0.5547	0	0
0	0	0.5547	-0.832
0	0	0.832	0.5547

$[K] =$

0.3077	-0.4615	-0.3077	0.4615
-0.4615	0.6923	0.4615	-0.6923
-0.3077	0.4615	0.3077	-0.4615
0.4615	-0.6923	-0.4615	0.6923

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$$\begin{Bmatrix} F_{1x} \\ F_{1y} \\ F_{2x} \\ F_{2y} \end{Bmatrix} = 147.3(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6400 & 0.4800 & -0.6400 & -0.4800 \\ 0.4800 & 0.3600 & -0.4800 & -0.3600 \\ -0.6400 & -0.4800 & 0.6400 & 0.4800 \\ -0.4800 & -0.3600 & 0.4800 & 0.3600 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_{1x} \\ U_{1y} \\ U_{2x} \\ U_{2y} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} F_{3x} \\ F_{3y} \\ F_{4x} \\ F_{4y} \end{Bmatrix} = 204.2(10^3) \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{bmatrix} 0.3077 & -0.4615 & -0.3077 & 0.4615 \\ -0.4615 & 0.6923 & 0.4615 & -0.6923 \\ -0.3077 & 0.4615 & 0.3077 & -0.4615 \\ 0.4615 & -0.6923 & -0.4615 & 0.6923 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} U_{2x} \\ U_{2y} \\ U_{3x} \\ U_{3y} \end{Bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

(22) AND (23) ARE NOW COMBINED INTO THE SYSTEM STIFFNESS MATRIX.

$$\{F\} = [K_s]\{U\} \quad (24)$$

WHERE

$$\begin{Bmatrix} F_{1x} \\ F_{1y} \\ F_{2x} \\ F_{2y} \\ F_{3x} \\ F_{3y} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} (F_{1x})_1 \\ (F_{1y})_1 \\ (F_{2x})_1 + (F_{2x})_2 \\ (F_{2y})_1 + (F_{2y})_2 \\ (F_{3x})_2 \\ (F_{3y})_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ 50 \text{ lb} \\ 0 \text{ lb} \\ C_x \\ C_y \end{Bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} U_{1x} \\ U_{1y} \\ U_{2x} \\ U_{2y} \\ U_{3x} \\ U_{3y} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ U_{2x} \\ U_{2y} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \quad (26)$$

$$[K_s] = \begin{bmatrix} 942.7 & 707.0 & -942.7 & -707.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 707.0 & 530.3 & -707.0 & -530.3 & 0 & 0 \\ -942.7 & -707.0 & 1571.1 & -235.4 & -628.4 & 942.5 \\ -707.0 & -530.3 & -235.4 & 1944.0 & 942.5 & -1413.6 \\ 0 & 0 & -628.4 & 942.5 & 628.4 & -942.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 942.5 & -1413.6 & -942.5 & 1413.6 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \quad (27)$$

constant

Global Stiffness Matrix w/ Constant

1.47E+05	94272	70704	-94272	-70704
	70704	53028	-70704	-53028
	-94272	-70704	94272	70704
	-70704	-53028	70704	53028

2.04E+05	62836	-94248	-62836	94248
	-94248	141364	94248	-141364
	-62836	94248	62836	-94248
	94248	-141364	-94248	141364

94272	70704	-94272	-70704	0	0
70704	53028	-70704	-53028	0	0
-94272	-70704	94272	70704	0	0
-70704	-53028	70704	53028	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0

0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	62836	-94248	-62836	94248
0	0	-94248	141364	94248	-141364
0	0	-62836	94248	62836	-94248
0	0	94248	-141364	-94248	141364

SYSTEM STIFFNESS MATRIX

94272	70704	-94272	-70704	0	0
70704	53028	-70704	-53028	0	0
-94272	-70704	157108	-23544	-62836	94248
-70704	-53028	-23544	194392	94248	-141364
0	0	-62836	94248	62836	-94248
0	0	94248	-141364	-94248	141364



THE ROWS ASSOCIATED WITH KNOWN DISPLACEMENTS ARE PARTITIONED OUT OF THE GLOBAL EQUATION, (29)

$$\begin{Bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ C_x \\ C_y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 942.7 & 707.0 & -942.7 & -707.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 707.0 & 530.3 & -707.0 & -530.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -628.4 & 942.5 & 628.4 & -942.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 942.5 & -1413.6 & -942.5 & 1413.6 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} A_y \\ C_y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -942.7 & -707.0 \\ -707.0 & -530.3 \\ -628.4 & 942.5 \\ 942.5 & -1413.6 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{Bmatrix} u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \end{Bmatrix}$$

IN THE REMAINING MATRIX,

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 501b \\ 01b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -942.7 & -707.0 & 1571.1 & -235.4 & -628.4 & 942.5 \\ -707.0 & -530.3 & -235.4 & 1944.0 & 942.5 & -1413.6 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 501b \\ 01b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1571.1 & -235.4 \\ -235.4 & 1944.0 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{Bmatrix} u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} u_{2x} \\ u_{2y} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0.3241 \\ 0.03926 \end{Bmatrix} \times 10^{-3} \text{ in} \quad (29)$$

(29) CAN NOW BE SUBSTITUTED INTO (28) TO DETERMINE THE REACTIONS.

$$\begin{Bmatrix} A_x \\ A_y \\ C_x \\ C_y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 942.7 & 707.0 & -942.7 & -707.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 707.0 & 530.3 & -707.0 & -530.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -628.4 & 942.5 & 628.4 & -942.5 \\ 0 & 0 & 942.5 & -1413.6 & -942.5 & 1413.6 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{in}} \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.3241 \\ 0.03926 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix} \times 10^{-3} \text{ in}$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} -33.3 \\ -25.0 \\ -16.7 \\ 25.0 \end{Bmatrix} \text{ lb}$$

SUMMARY: ALL CALCULATIONS IN THIS EXAMPLE WERE PERFORMED USING EXCEL.

50	=	157108	-23544	•	U <sub>2x</sub>
0		-23544	194392		U <sub>2y</sub>

U <sub>2x</sub> =	=	6.48271E-06	7.8517E-07	•	50
U <sub>2y</sub> =		7.85172E-07	5.2393E-06		0

U <sub>2x</sub> =	<b>3.2414E-04</b>
U <sub>2y</sub> =	<b>3.9259E-05</b>

A <sub>x</sub>	=	94272	70704	-94272	-70704	0	0	•	0
A <sub>y</sub>		70704	53028	-70704	-53028	0	0		3.2414E-04
C <sub>x</sub>		0	0	-62836	94248	62836	-94248		3.9259E-05
C <sub>y</sub>		0	0	94248	-141364	-94248	141364		0
									0

A <sub>x</sub>	=	<b>-33.33</b>
A <sub>y</sub>		<b>-25.00</b>
C <sub>x</sub>		<b>-16.67</b>
C <sub>y</sub>		<b>25.00</b>