

# AEEM4058 - Homework 5

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## Problem 1

Figure 1 shows a beam of 2 m length that is supported by a truss member at the middle point A and clamped on the rigid walls at the two ends. It carries a uniformly distributed vertical load over the left span. The truss and beam are all of uniform cross-section and made of the same material with the Young's modulus  $E = 200.0$  GPa. The cross section of the beam is circular, and the area of the cross-section is  $0.01 \text{ m}^2$ . The area of the cross-section of the truss member is  $0.0002 \text{ m}^2$ . Using the finite element method with two elements for the entire beam, using an efficient approach to

- (a) calculate the nodal displacement at the middle pint A,
- (b) calculate the reaction forces at the supports for the beam and truss members,
- (c) calculate the internal forces in the truss member.

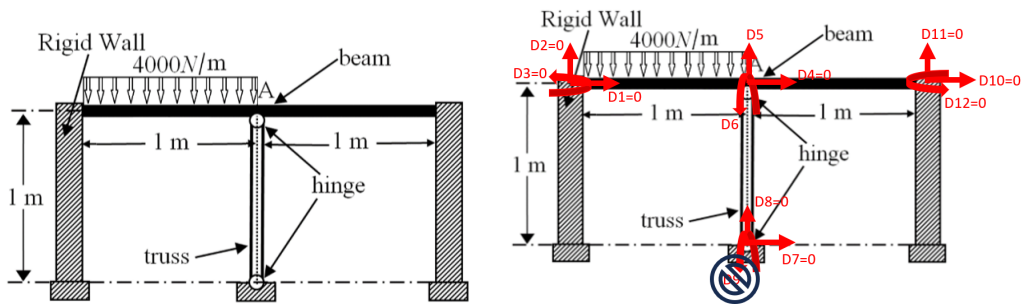
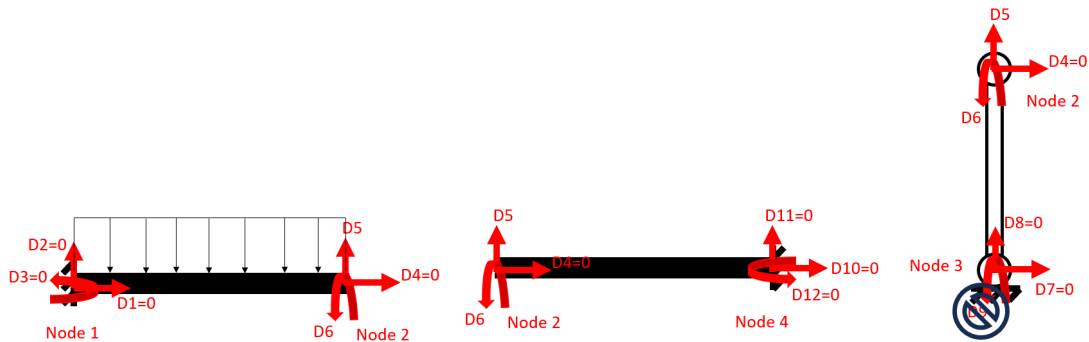


Figure 1

## Part A



| Element # | Global node corresponding to |              | Coordinates in global |            | Direction cosines |          |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------|----------|
|           | local node 1                 | local node 2 | $X_i, Y_i$            | $X_j, Y_j$ | $l_{ij}$          | $m_{ij}$ |
| 1         | 1                            | 2            | 0, 0                  | 1, 0       | 1                 | 0        |
| 2         | 2                            | 4            | 1, 0                  | 2, 0       | 1                 | 0        |
| 3         | 2                            | 3            | 1, 0                  | 1, -1      | 0                 | -1       |

## Build Element Matrices

$$K_e = \frac{AE}{l_e} \begin{bmatrix} l_{ij}^2 & l_{ij}m_{ij} & -l_{ij}^2 & -l_{ij}m_{ij} \\ & m_{ij}^2 & -l_{ij}m_{ij} & -m_{ij}^2 \\ sym. & & l_{ij}^2 & l_{ij}m_{ij} \\ & & & m_{ij}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Part B

## Part C