

# LESSON 26: MEMBER AND GLOBAL STIFFNESS MATRICES

## TOPICS: MATRIX REVIEW

- MEMBER STIFFNESS MATRICES
- GLOBAL STIFFNESS MATRIX

### A.) REVIEW OF MATRICES

TENSORS: MULTIDIMENSIONAL ARRAYS WITH SPECIFIC RULES REGARDING MULTIPLICATION AND ADDITION:  $\bar{A} \rightarrow a_{i,j,k}$

MATRICES: 2 DIMENSIONAL TENSORS:  $\bar{A} \rightarrow a_{i,j}$

VECTORS: 1 DIMENSIONAL MATRICES:  $\bar{a} \rightarrow a_i$

SCALARS: SINGLE VALUES:  $a$

MATRIX SUBSCRIPTS:  $a_{i,j}$

$i$ : row number  $\uparrow$   $j$ : column number  $\leftarrow$

$\bar{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}$  means  $\bar{A}$  is a matrix with 2 rows, 3 columns, populated by real numbers.

$$\bar{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### ADDITION

VECTOR ADDITION:  $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$ ,  $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$

$$\bar{a} + \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ a_3 + b_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Legal}$$

$\bar{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$ ,  $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 3}$

$$\bar{a} + \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} + [b_1 \ b_2 \ b_3] = ?? \quad \text{Not Legal}$$

DIMENSIONS MUST AGREE

MATRIX ADDITION:  $\bar{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ ,  $\bar{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$

$$\bar{A} + \bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} & a_{13} + b_{13} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} & a_{23} + b_{23} \\ a_{31} + b_{31} & a_{32} + b_{32} & a_{33} + b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

DIMENSIONS MUST AGREE

• MULTIPLICATIONS

• MULTIPLICATION BY A SCALAR:

$$a \in \mathbb{R}, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}, \bar{c} = \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$a\bar{b} = a \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ab_1 \\ ab_2 \\ ab_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a\bar{c} = a \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ac_{11} & ac_{12} & ac_{13} \\ ac_{21} & ac_{22} & ac_{23} \\ ac_{31} & ac_{32} & ac_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

• VECTOR MULTIPLICATIONS:

$$\bar{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 3}$$

$$\bar{a}\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 b_1 & a_2 b_2 & a_3 b_3 \\ a_2 b_1 & a_2 b_2 & a_2 b_3 \\ a_3 b_1 & a_3 b_2 & a_3 b_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

MULTIPLY ROW x COLUMN  
ALSO KNOWN AS OUTER PRODUCT MATRIX

$$\bar{b}\bar{a} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 a_1 + b_2 a_2 + b_3 a_3 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 1}$$

INNER DIMENSIONS MUST AGREE  
ALSO KNOWN AS INNER PRODUCT SCALAR

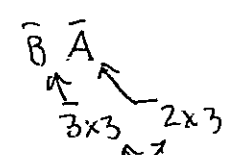
• MATRIX MULTIPLICATIONS:

$$\bar{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 3}, \bar{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$$

$$\bar{A}\bar{B} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

INNER DIMENSIONS MUST AGREE

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} + a_{13}b_{31} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} + a_{13}b_{32} & a_{11}b_{13} + a_{12}b_{23} + a_{13}b_{33} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} + a_{23}b_{31} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} + a_{23}b_{32} & a_{21}b_{13} + a_{22}b_{23} + a_{23}b_{33} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3}$$



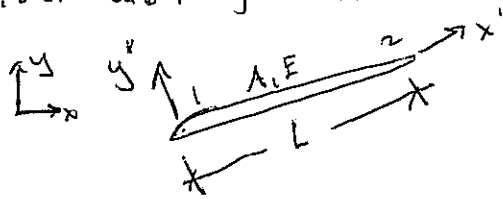
NOT EQUAL, NOT A LEGAL OPERATION.

$\bar{A}\bar{B} \neq \bar{B}\bar{A}$ , Matrices do not commute

## B) Member Stiffness Matrices

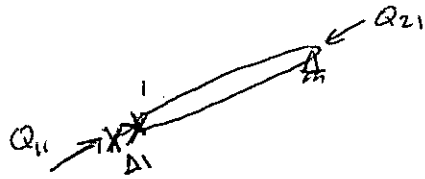
- Unique for every member:
- Based on local coordinates

→ Consider arbitrary truss bar:



$x', y'$ , Local coordinates

Consider displacement of joint 1

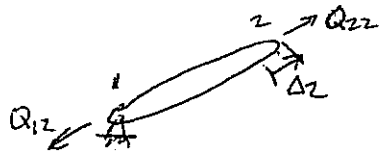


$$Q_{11} = \frac{AE}{L} \Delta_1$$

$$Q_{21} = -\frac{AE}{L} \Delta_1$$

↖ negative  $x'$  direction

Consider displacement of joint 2



$$Q_{12} = -\frac{AE}{L} \Delta_2$$

$$Q_{22} = \frac{AE}{L} \Delta_2$$

Both at once:  $Q_1 = Q_{11} + Q_{12} = \frac{AE}{L} (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2)$

$$Q_2 = Q_{21} + Q_{22} = \frac{AE}{L} (-\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)$$

Symmetry!

Put in matrix form: 
$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{AE}{L} & -\frac{AE}{L} \\ -\frac{AE}{L} & \frac{AE}{L} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_1 \\ \Delta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{q} = \bar{K} \bar{\delta}$$

$\bar{K}$  = Member stiffness matrix for a truss bar

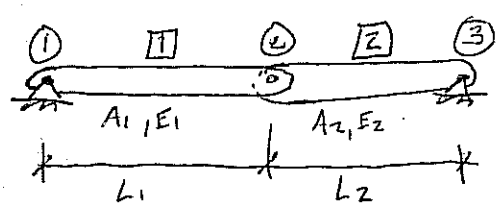
also written as 
$$\bar{K} = \frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

$$\bar{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

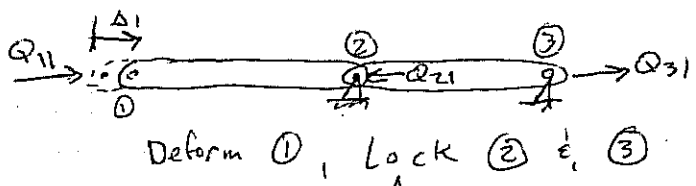
$$\bar{\delta} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$$

### C.) STRUCTURE STIFFNESS MATRIX



$$k_1 = \frac{A_1 E_1}{L_1}, \quad k_2 = \frac{A_2 E_2}{L_2}$$

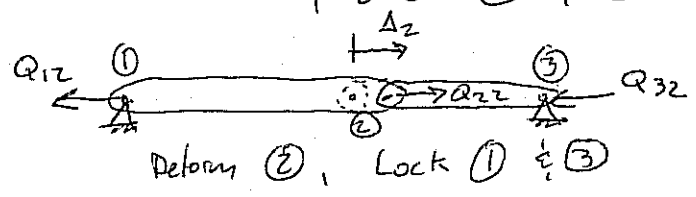
- CAN DEFINE JOINT FORCES AT ①, ②, & ③
- CAN DEFINE JOINT DEFORMATIONS AT ①, ②, & ③



$$Q_{11} = k_1 \Delta_1$$

$$Q_{21} = -k_2 \Delta_1$$

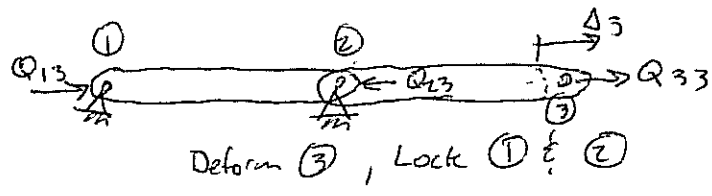
$$Q_{31} = 0$$



$$Q_{12} = -k_1 \Delta_2$$

$$Q_{22} = (k_1 + k_2) \Delta_2$$

$$Q_{32} = -k_2 \Delta_2$$



$$Q_{13} = 0$$

$$Q_{23} = -k_2 \Delta_3$$

$$Q_{33} = k_2 \Delta_3$$

$$Q_1 = Q_{11} + Q_{12} + Q_{13} = k_1 \Delta_1 - k_1 \Delta_2$$

$$Q_2 = Q_{21} + Q_{22} + Q_{23} = -k_1 \Delta_1 + (k_1 + k_2) \Delta_2 - k_2 \Delta_3$$

$$Q_3 = Q_{31} + Q_{32} + Q_{33} = -k_2 \Delta_2 + k_2 \Delta_3$$

MATRIX NOTATION:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ 0 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_1 \\ \Delta_2 \\ \Delta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{q}_{global} = \bar{K}_{global} \cdot \bar{\delta}_{global}$$

$$\bar{q}_{global} \in \mathbb{R}^{num \text{ joints} \times 1}, \quad \bar{K}_{global} \in \mathbb{R}^{num \text{ joints} \times num \text{ joints}}$$

$$\bar{\delta}_{global} \in \mathbb{R}^{num \text{ joints} \times 1}$$

We can also assemble global stiffness matrix from member stiffness matrices.

Consider  $\bar{K}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 \\ -k_1 & k_1 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \end{matrix}$   $\leftarrow$  INDICATES JOINT #

$\bar{K}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}$   $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \end{matrix}$   $\begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \end{matrix}$

Plug into appropriate slots in  $K_{\text{global}}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & & & & \\ & \textcircled{2} & & & \\ & & \textcircled{3} & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 & & & \\ -k_1 & k_1 & & & \\ & & k_2 & -k_2 & \\ & & -k_2 & k_2 & \\ & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \\ \\ \end{matrix}$$

RAPID / ACCURATE SORTING OF THESE COEFFICIENTS IS COMPUTERS' MAIN ADVANTAGE IN APPLYING THIS METHOD, PARTICULARLY FOR LARGE STRUCTURES WITH MANY MEMBERS