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Structural Mechanics (1) Week No-02

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Deflection in Determinate Structures



Deflections of Trusses, Beams, & Frames: Work-Energy Methods

- Deflection of trusses by Work & Strain energy principle
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Introduction



In this section we are going to introduce the use of conservation of energy for the calculation of displacements. The methods you are familiar with are called "geometric methods". Energy methods are more powerful and more general.

- So far, the primary methods you used for calculating displacements have been "geometric methods" The beam differential equation and the moment-area principles are examples
- We now need to turn our attention toward more powerful methods of calculating displacements
- Methods that are based upon **conservation of energy** are among the most powerful

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Introduction



Recall: Definition: If a load corresponds to a displacement this means they are at the same point and have the same line of action.

- A translation corresponds to a concentrated force and a rotation corresponds to a concentrated moment.
- Recall also that a change in slope, a kink, corresponds to an internal moment and a step corresponds to an internal shear force.

Another way of looking at the concept of corresponding force and displacement is from the point of view of work.

- We recall from physics that work is force times the distance through which that force moves
- The force moves through its corresponding displacement.
- Let's examine this idea by looking at the following problem.







- We start off with a general structure with a load Q applied at point C
- The structure deforms and point C goes to C'
- Let's look at point C:







D_C is the total displacement at C and D_Q is the component of that displacement along the line of the load Q







- D_Q is the displacement that corresponds to the load Q
- Remember, if they correspond, the load and the displacement are at the same point and have the same line of action



External work & Strain Energy in axially Loaded members



In this case *N*, the axial internal force, is given from the Eq. Eq. as N = PThe strain energy is:

$$U = \iiint\limits_{V} \frac{1}{2} \sigma_x \varepsilon_x dV = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \varepsilon AL_0 = \frac{1}{2} E \varepsilon^2 AL_0 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E} AL_0 = \frac{N^2 L_0}{2EA}$$

Low of Conservation of Energy: $W_e = U = \frac{1}{2}P\Delta$

$$\Delta \qquad U = \frac{1}{2}P\Delta = \frac{1}{2}\sigma\varepsilon AL_0 = \frac{1}{2}E\varepsilon^2 AL_0 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2E}AL_0 = \frac{N^2 L_0}{2EA}$$
$$\frac{1}{2}P\Delta = \frac{N^2 L_0}{2EA}$$

DEFLECTION OF A SIMPLE TRUSS by We=U





45.0°

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Considering the vertical equil. at A: $N_{AB} \cos 45^{\circ} - P = 0 \Rightarrow N_{AB} = 1.41P$ (T) Considering the horizontal equil. at A: $-N_{AB} \cos 45^{\circ} + N_{AC} = 0 \Longrightarrow N_{AC} = P$ (C) The strain energy in each member is $U_{AB} = (1.41P)^2 \times 1.41L/2EA = 1.41P^2L/EA$ $U_{AC} = (-P)^2 \times L/2EA = P^2L/2EA$ The external work- strain energy principle $W_e = U = U_{AB} + U_{AC}$ $(1/2)Pv = U_{AB} + U_{AC} = 3.82P^2L/2EA$ *v* =3.82*PL/EA* u = ?

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Ex. Determine the horizontal deflection at A in the truss shown next. The cross-sectional area of the tension members is 80mm^2 while that of the compression members is 150mm^2 . $E = 200\ 000 \text{N/mm}^2$.

From the FBD of joint A $N_{AC} = 15/\sin\alpha = 39$ kN (C) & $N_{AB} = 39 \cos\alpha = 36$ kN (T)

From the FBD of joint B $N_{BA} = N_{BD} = 36 k N (T) \& N_{BC} = 0$

From the FBD of joint C $N_{CA} = N_{CE} = 39 \text{kN}$ (C) $\& N_{CB} = N_{CD} = 0$ $(\frac{1}{2})Pu_A = \sum (\frac{N^2}{i}L_i/2E_iA_i) \Rightarrow u_A \cong 68 \text{ mm}$ But, how to compute the u_B ?

