

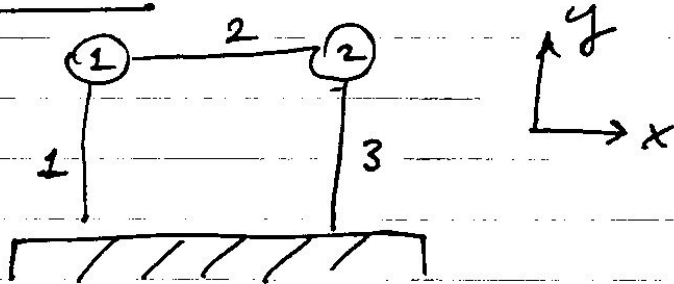
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→ Finished LU Factorization

The Null space of a matrix, by example:
and column space

Physical truss



2 nodes (1, 2) and 3 bars (1, 2, 3).

let (x_1, x_2) be the displacement for Node 1, and (x_3, x_4) the displacement for Node 2.

let L_i , $i=1, 2, 3$ be the undeformed length of bar i .

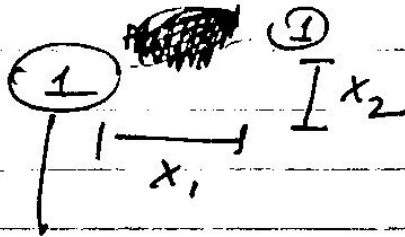
Note that the elongation of bar 1, denoted e_1

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is a nonlinear function of (x_1, x_2) .

Picture:

assume node 1's
initial position
is $(0, L_1)$.



$$e_1 = \left(x_1^2 + (L_1 + x_2)^2 \right)^{1/2} - L_1$$

Linearize... (by assuming displacements
are small relative to L_1)

$$e_1 = \left(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2L_1x_2 + L_1^2 \right)^{1/2} - L_1$$

$$= L_1 \left(\frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{L_1^2} + \frac{2x_2}{L_1} + 1 \right)^{1/2} - L_1$$

apply the Taylor expansion:

$$(1 + t)^{1/2} = 1 + \frac{t}{2} + O(t^2)$$

$$\text{with } t = \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{L_1^2} + \frac{2x_2}{L_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow e_1 = L_1 \left(1 + \frac{t}{2} + O(t^2) \right) - L_1$$

$$= L_1 \left(1 + \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{2L_1^2} + \frac{x_2}{L_1} + O(t^2) \right) - L_1$$

$$= x_2 + \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{2L_1} + L_1 O(t^2).$$

Now, we make an assumption:

$$\frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{L_1} \ll x_2$$

which implies that

$$\frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{2L_1} + L_1 O(t^2) \ll 1,$$

$$\text{so } e_1 \approx x_2.$$

This approximation becomes our equation of elongation for bar 1:

$$e_1 = x_2.$$

In general, we will have, using this linearization, that elongation is proportional (equal) to the stretch in the initial direction:

$$e_2 = x_3 - x_1$$

$$e_3 = x_4$$

In matrix form:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{e}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{A}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{x}}$$

Set of

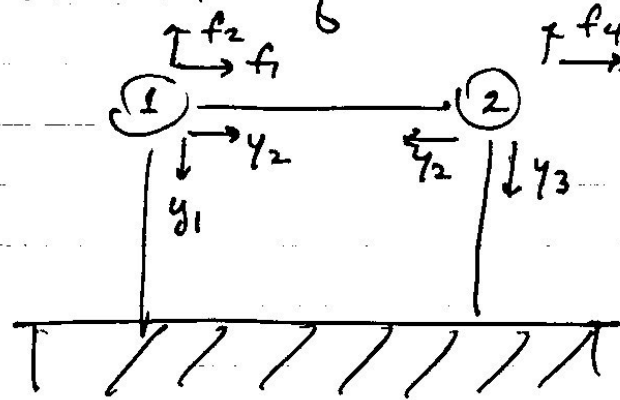
Second equations relate elongation to Force via Hooke's Law:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{y}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{K}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{e}}$$

y_j = spring force for bar j

k_j = spring constant for bar j .

Last set of equations: Force balance



(f_1, f_2) = external force on node 1.

(f_3, f_4) = external force on node 2.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_1 = f_2 \\ y_2 + f_1 = 0 \\ y_2 = f_3 \\ y_3 = f_4 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{\underline{f}}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{\underline{A^T}}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{\underline{y}}}$$

Our equations are:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \underline{\underline{e}} = \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{x}} \\ \underline{\underline{y}} = \underline{\underline{K}} \underline{\underline{e}} \\ \underline{\underline{f}} = \underline{\underline{A}}^T \underline{\underline{y}} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{A}}^T \underline{\underline{K}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{x}} = \underline{\underline{f}}.$$

Compute $\underline{A}^T \underline{K} \underline{A}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A}^T \underline{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A}^T \underline{K} \underline{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} k_2 & 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -k_2 & 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

So the system we want to solve is:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} k_2 & 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -k_2 & 0 & k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{A}^T \underline{K} \underline{A}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{x}} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{pmatrix}}_{=\underline{f}}$$

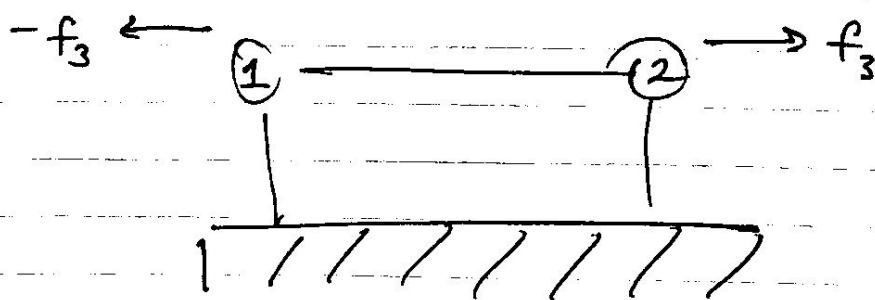
Gaussian elimination

Add 1st and 3rd row and put result in 3rd row:

$$\begin{pmatrix} k_2 & 0 & -k_2 & 0 \\ 0 & k_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & k_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_1 + f_3 \\ f_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: equation 3 is: $0 = f_1 + f_3$,

i.e. a solution, i.e. a force balance, only exists if $f_1 = -f_3$.



This is a statement about the column space, or range, of

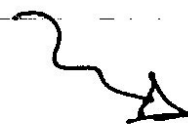
~~ref(A^T K A)~~ $\text{ref}(\underline{A}^T \underline{K} \underline{A})$

Definition The column space or range of a matrix $\underline{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the set of vectors:

$$R(\underline{S}) = \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^m : y = \underline{S}x \text{ for some } x \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\}$$

Let's assume $f_1 + f_3 = 0$ and continue solving the force balance equations... using back substitution:

{	$x_4 = f_4/k_3$		x_3 is a free variable so we do not have a unique solution $\Rightarrow \infty$ # of s/s!
	$0 = f_1 + f_3$		
	$x_2 = f_2/k_1$		
	$x_1 - x_3 = f_1/k_2$		



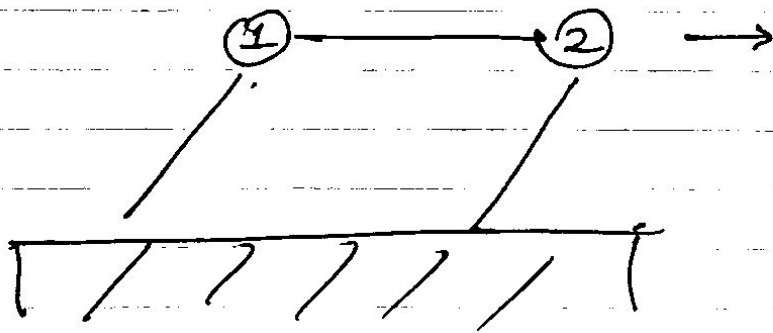
If we take $\underline{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, notice

that $\underline{A}\underline{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \underline{0}.$

this implies $\underline{S}\underline{z} = \underline{A}^T \underline{K} \underline{A}\underline{z} = \underline{0}.$

Physically:

$\underline{z} = \text{nonzero displacement}$) $\underline{A}\underline{z} = \text{zero elongation}$



$\underline{z}$ is said to be in the null space of $\underline{S}$.

Definition The null space of $\underline{S}$, or kernel of $\underline{S}$, is the set of vectors:

$$N(\underline{S}) = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ such that } \underline{S}\underline{x} = \underline{0} \}.$$