Architectural Structures: Form, Behavior, and Design

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point equilibrium and planar trusses

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Equilibrium on a Point

• analytically

$$R_{x} = \sum F_{x} = 0$$

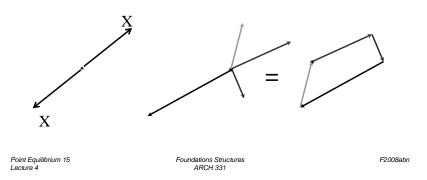
$$R_{y} = \sum F_{y} = 0$$
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• Newton convinces us it will stay at rest

Equilibrium

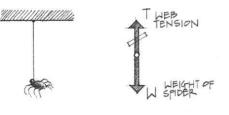
- balanced
- steady
- resultant of forces on a particle is 0



Equilibrium on a Point

• collinear force system

- ex: cables $\sum F_{in-line} = 0$



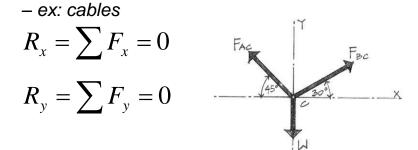
 $\left(R_x = \sum F_x = 0 \qquad R_y = \sum F_y = 0 \right)$

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Equilibrium on a Point

concurrent force system



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Free Body Diagram

- determine point
- FREE it from:
 - ground
 - supports & connections
- draw all external forces acting ON the body
 - reactions (supporting forces)
 - applied forces
 - gravity



Sign suspended from a strut and cable. TENSION IN SIGN WEIGH = m·g FBD of concurrent point B.

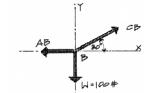
BUILDING UY CABLE

STRINTAL

SIGN

Free Body Diagram

- FBD (sketch)
- tool to see all forces on a body or a point including
 - external forces
 - weights
 - force reactions
 - internal forces



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Free Body Diagram

- sketch FBD with relevant geometry
- resolve each force into components
 - known & unknown angles name them
 - known & unknown forces name them
- are any forces related to other forces?
- for the unknowns
- write only as many equilibrium equations as needed
- solve up to 2 equations

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Free Body Diagram

- solve equations
 - most times 1 unknown easily solved
 - plug into other equation(s)
- common to have unknowns of ٠
 - force magnitudes
 - force angles

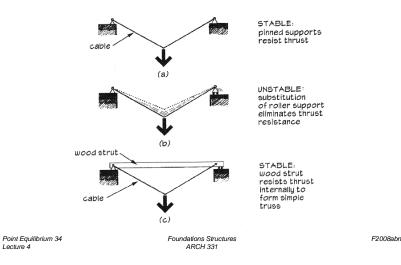
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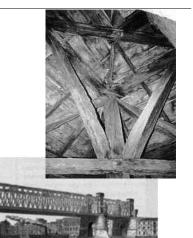
Truss Structures

- analogous to cables and struts



Truss Structures

- ancient (?) wood
 - Romans 500 B.C.
- Renaissance revival
- 1800's analysis •
- efficient



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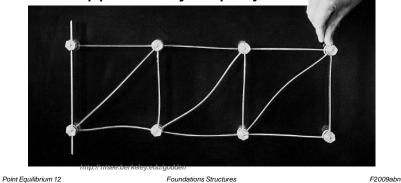
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Truss Structures

- comprised of straight members
- geometry with triangles is stable
- loads applied only at pin joints

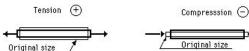


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Truss Structures

- 2 force members
 - forces in line, equal and opposite
 - compression
 - tension



- 3 members connected by 3 joints
- 2 more members need 1 more joint b = 2n - 3



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b = 16

(c) Unstable.

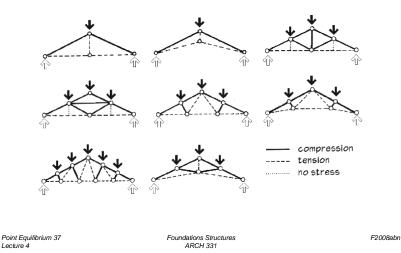
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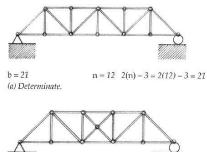
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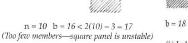
compression and tension

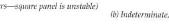


Truss Structures

- statically determinate
- indeterminate
- unstable







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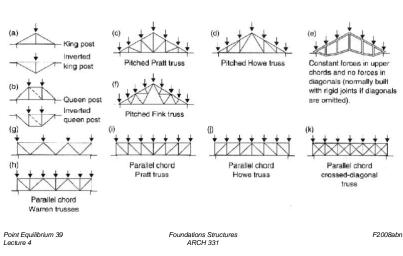
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(Too many members)

n = 10 b = 18 > 2(10) - 3 = 17

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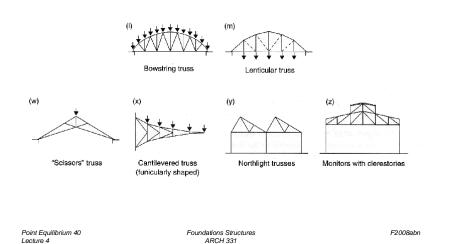
common designs



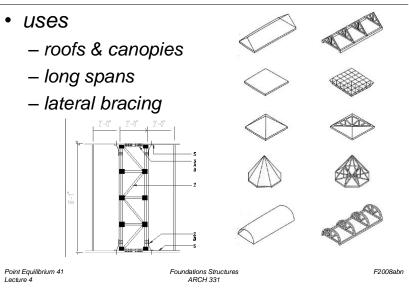
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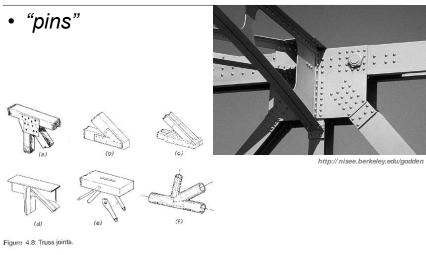
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Truss Connections



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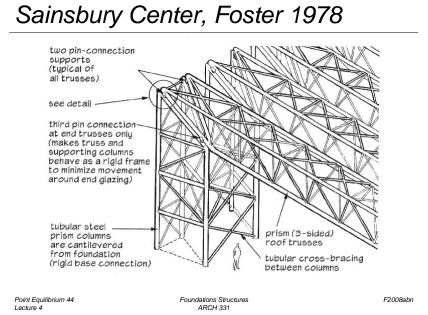
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Sainsbury Center, Foster 1978

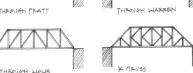


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Truss Analysis

- Method of Joints
- Graphical Methods
- Method of Sections

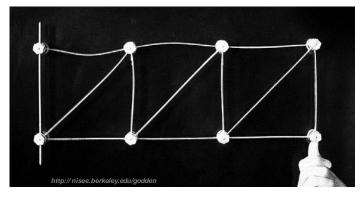


- all rely on equilibrium
 - of bodies
 - internal equilibrium



Truss Analysis

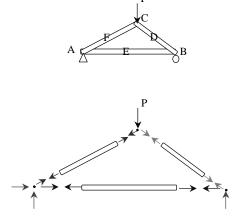
• visualize compression and tension from deformed shape



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Method of Joints

- isolate each joint
- enforce equilibrium in F_x and F_y
- can find all forces
- long
- easy to mess up



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PARKER TRUSS

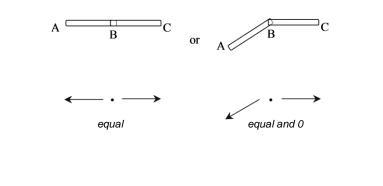
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BALTIMORE TRUSS

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Joint Cases

• two bodies connected

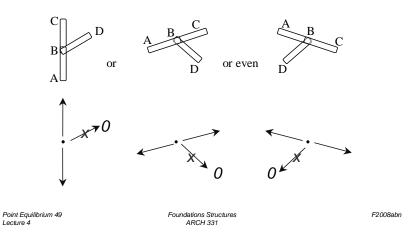


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Joint Cases

• three bodies with two in line

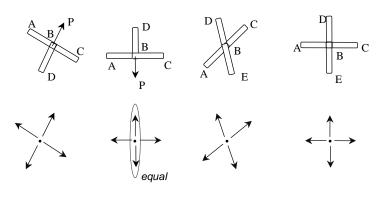


Joint Cases



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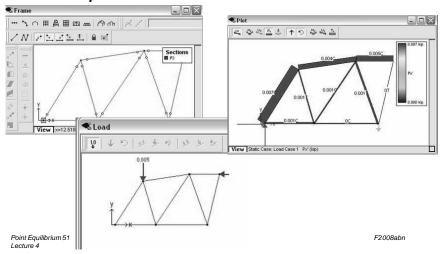


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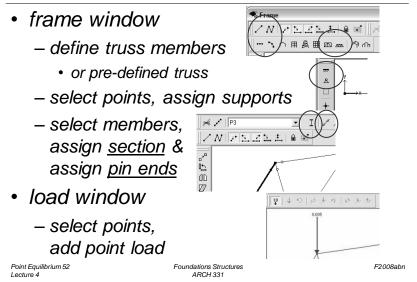
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Tools – Multiframe

• in computer lab



Tools – Multiframe



Tools – Multiframe

- to run analysis choose
 - Analyze menu
 - Linear
- plot

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- choose options
- results

 choose options

