

**ARCHITECTURAL STRUCTURES I:
STATICS AND STRENGTH OF MATERIALS**

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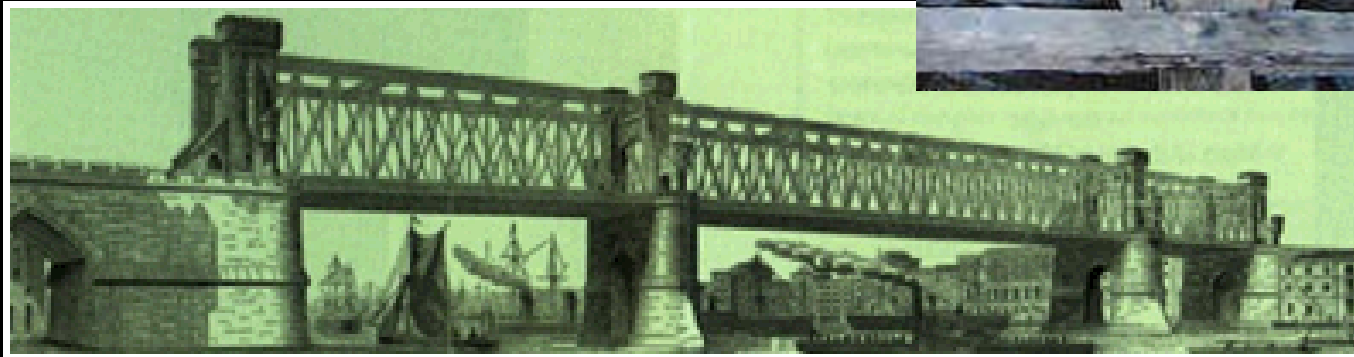
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**introduction
to trusses**

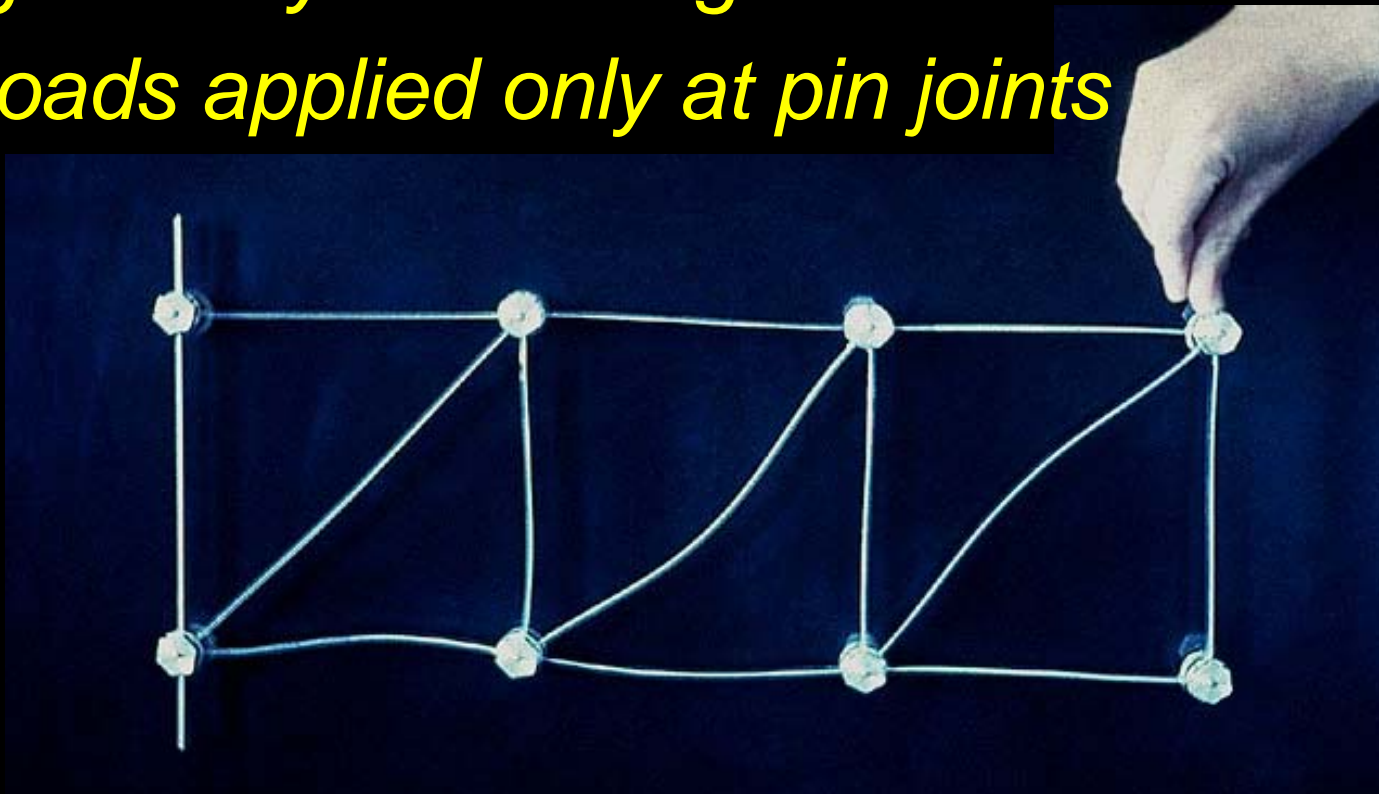
Truss Structures

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



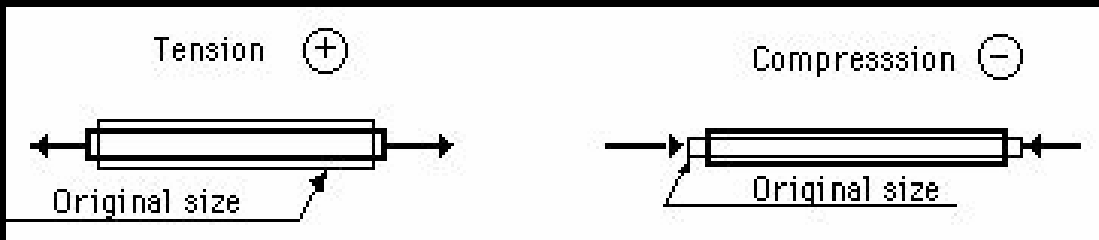
Truss Structures

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



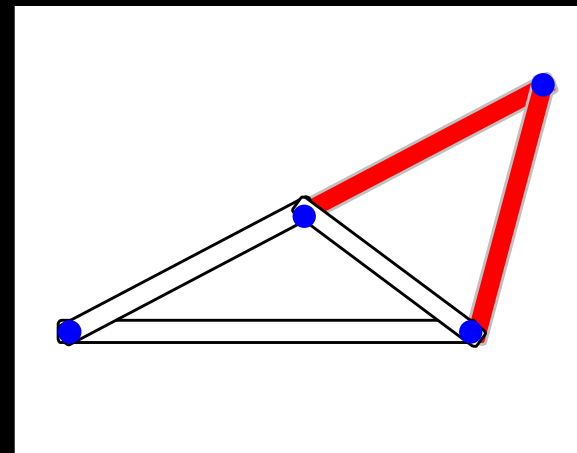
Truss Structures

- *2 force members*
 - *compression*
 - *tension*



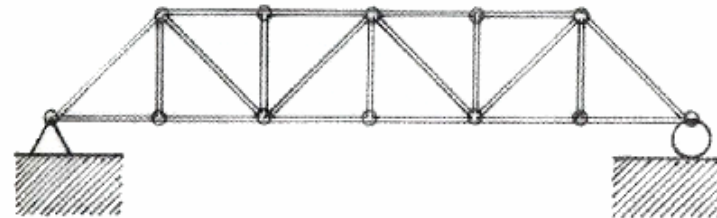
- *3 members connected by 3 joints*
- *2 more members need 1 more joint*

$$b = 2n - 3$$



Truss Structures

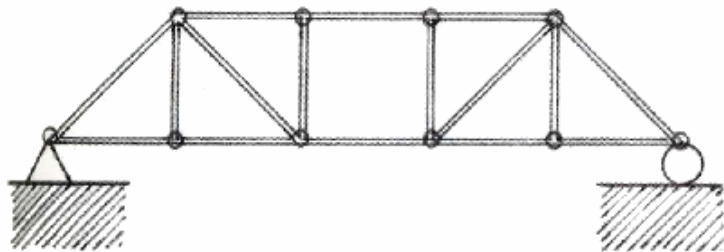
- *statically determinate*
- *indeterminate*
- *unstable*



$b = 21$

$n = 12 \quad 2(n) - 3 = 2(12) - 3 = 21$

(a) *Determinate.*

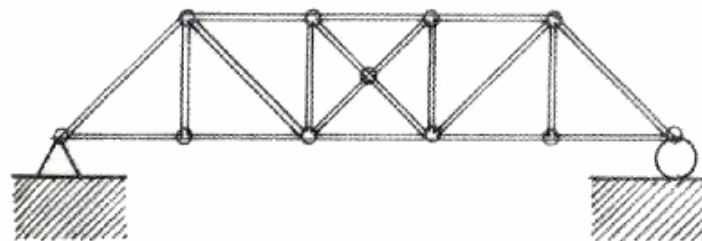


$b = 16$

$n = 10 \quad b = 16 < 2(10) - 3 = 17$

(Too few members—square panel is unstable)

(c) *Unstable.*



$b = 18$

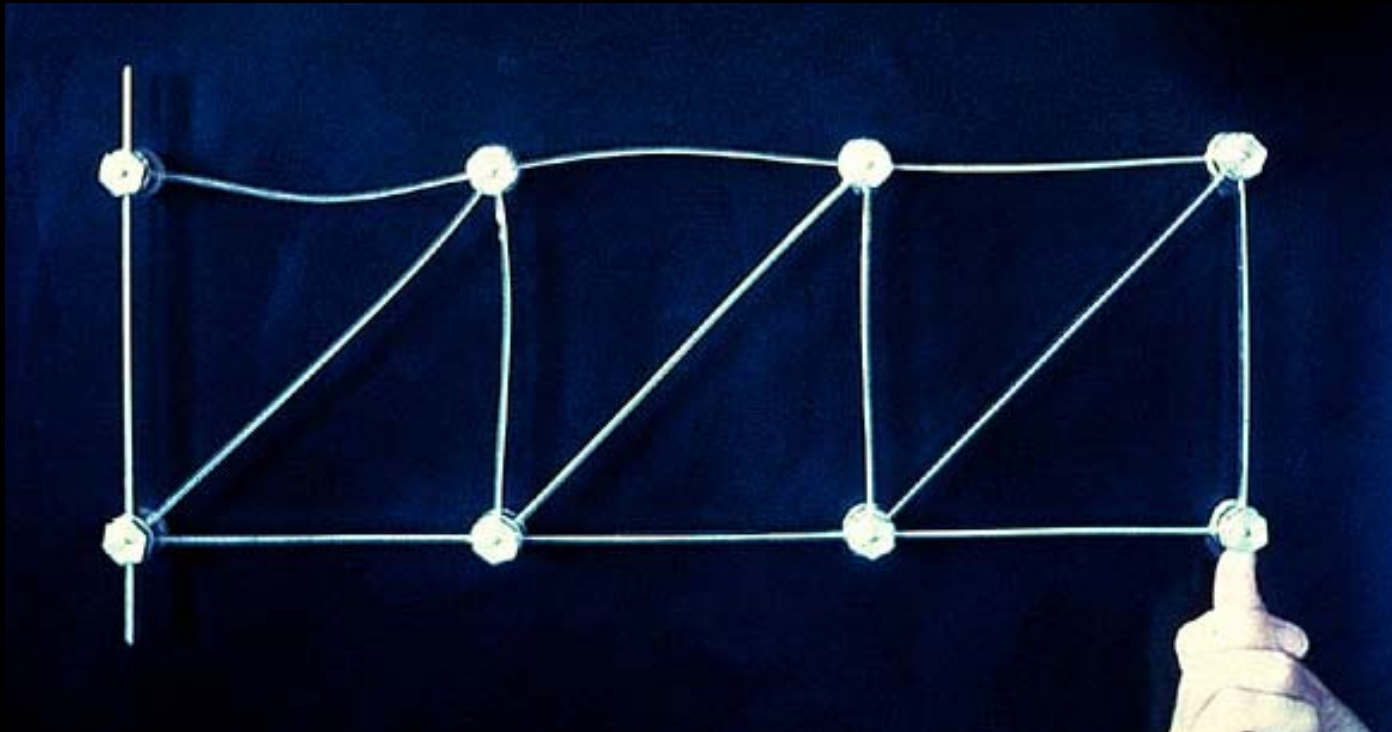
$n = 10 \quad b = 18 > 2(10) - 3 = 17$

(Too many members)

(b) *Indeterminate.*

Truss Analysis

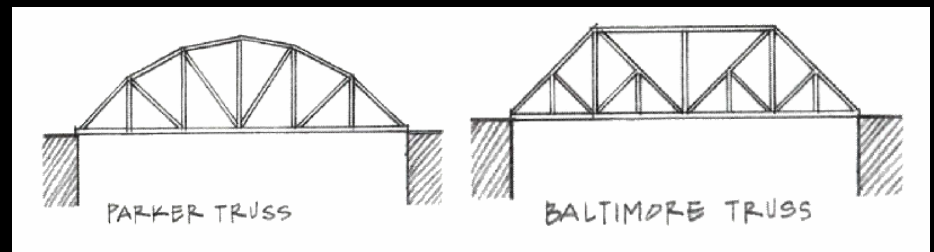
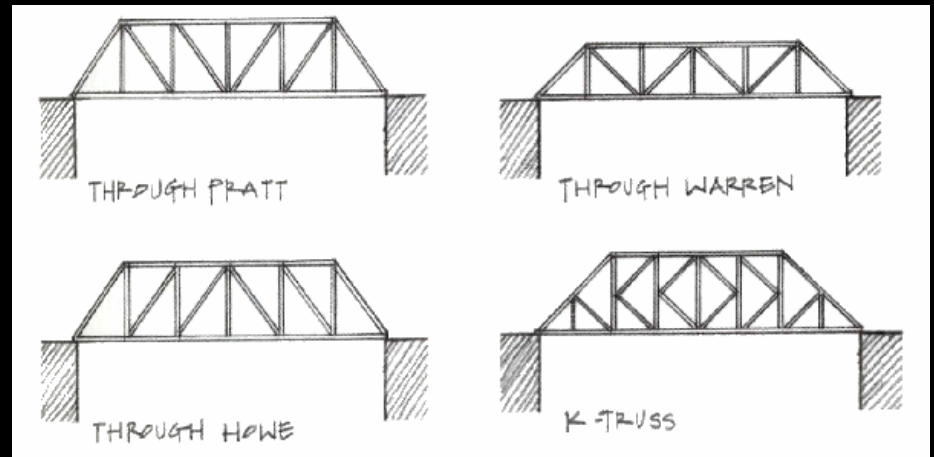
- *visualize compression and tension from deformed shape*



Truss Analysis

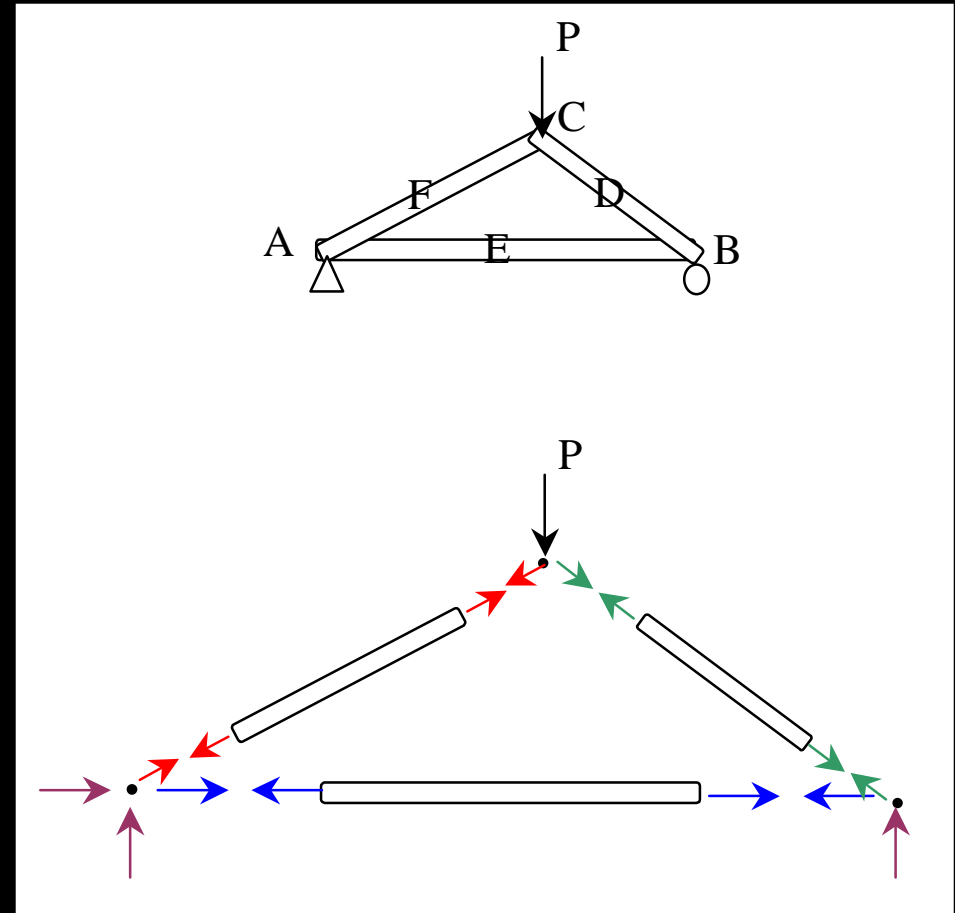
- *Method of Joints*
- *Graphical Methods*
- *Method of Sections*

- *all rely on equilibrium*
 - *of bodies*
 - *internal equilibrium*



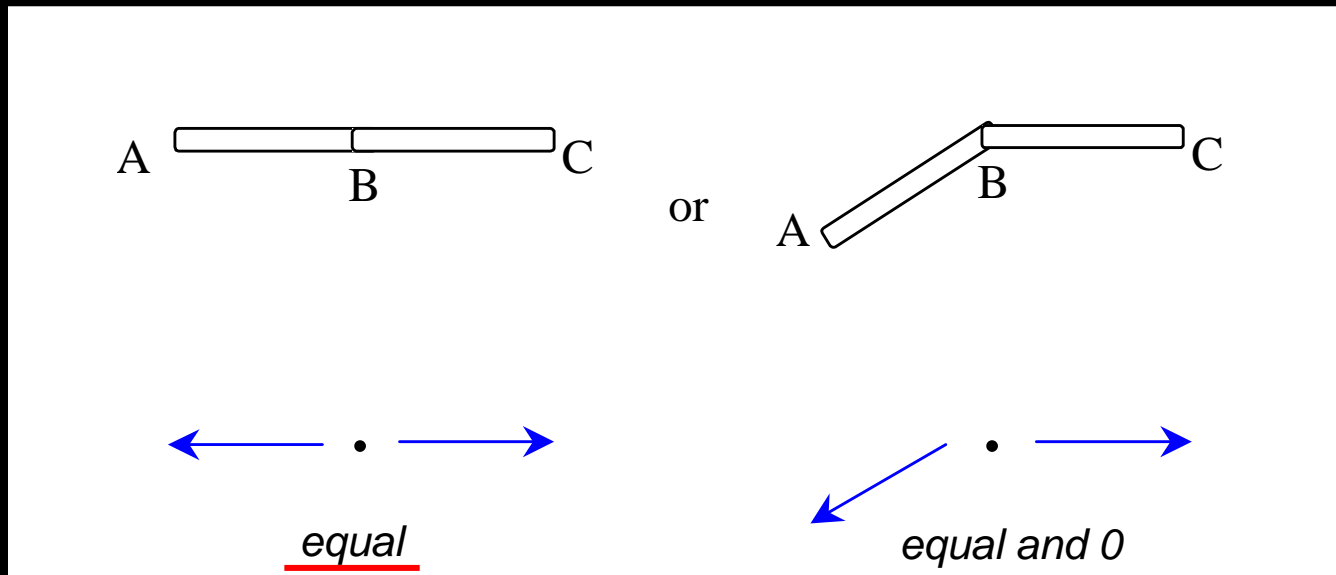
Method of Joints

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



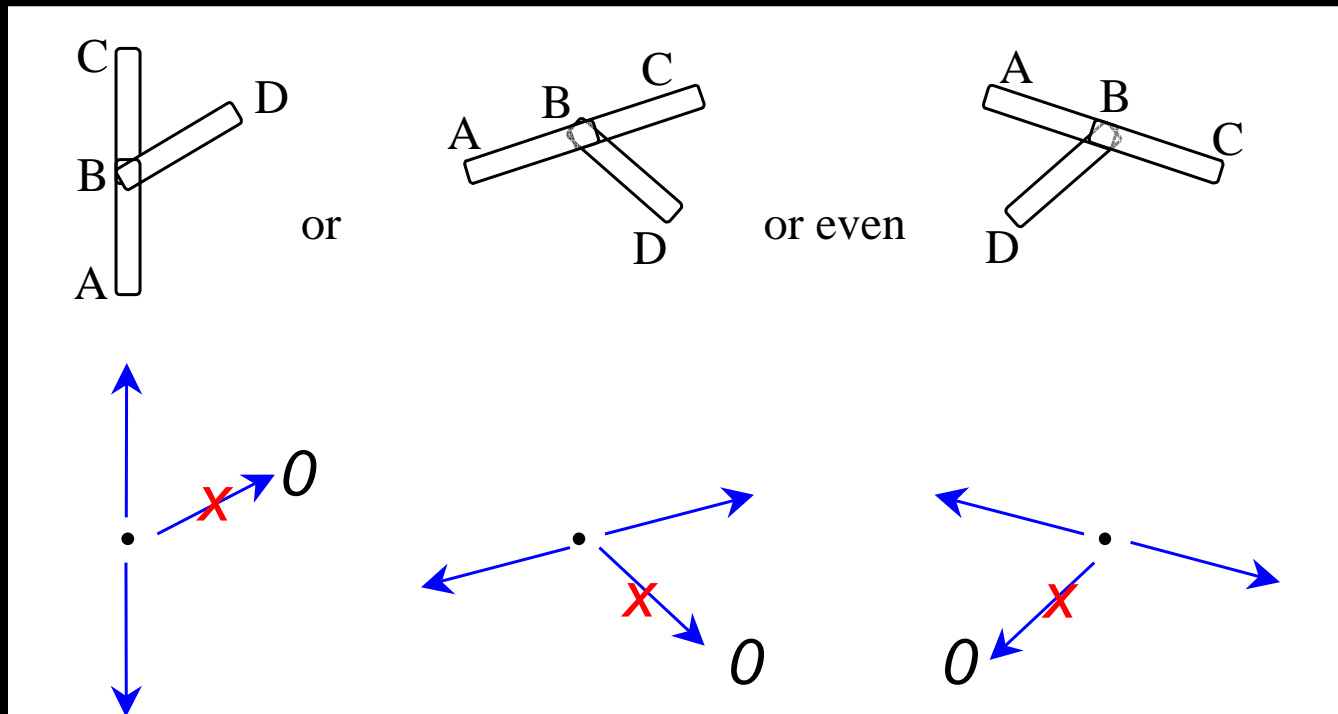
Joint Cases

- *two bodies connected*



Joint Cases

- *three bodies with two in line*



Joint Cases

- *crossed*

