

# General solution procedure

Elasticity condition (no dissipation):  $d\psi = \delta W$  reflecting that  $dD = 0$   
(this is the result from analyzing the TD as done in class)

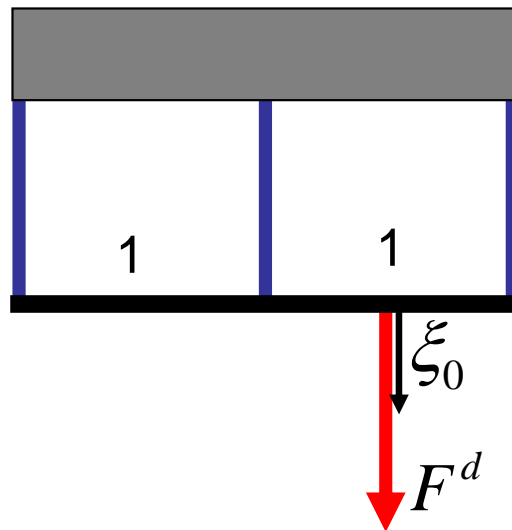
- **Step 1:** Express  $d\psi(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_2} dx_2 + \dots = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i} dx_i$
- **Step 2:** Express  $\delta W(\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_1} d\xi_1 + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \xi_2} d\xi_2 + \dots = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi_j} d\xi_j$
- **Step 3:** Solve equations  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_i} dx_i = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \xi_j} d\xi_j \quad \forall dx_i, \forall d\xi_j$

Collect all terms  $dx_i$  and  $d\xi_j$  and set the entire expression to zero.

In EQ, the expression must be satisfied for all displacement changes  $dx_i, d\xi_j$

# Example II: Truss structure (1)

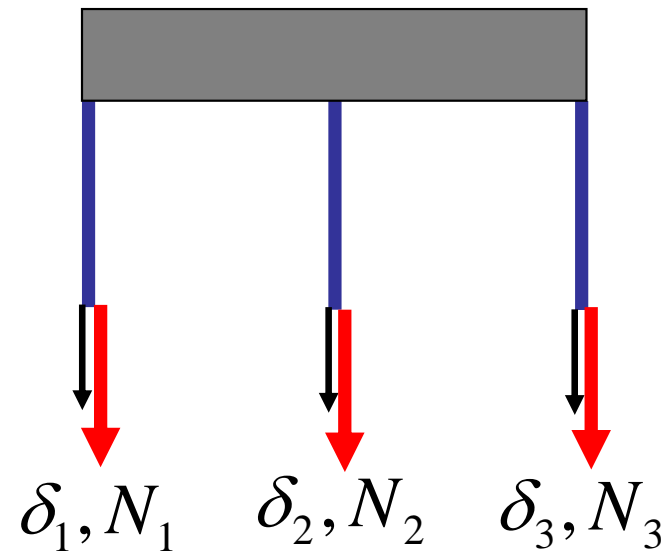
**Problem statement:** Structure of three trusses with applied force  $F^d$  :



Distance  $L=1$  between the trusses

**Goal:** Calculate displacements  $\delta_i, \xi_0$

Forces in each truss



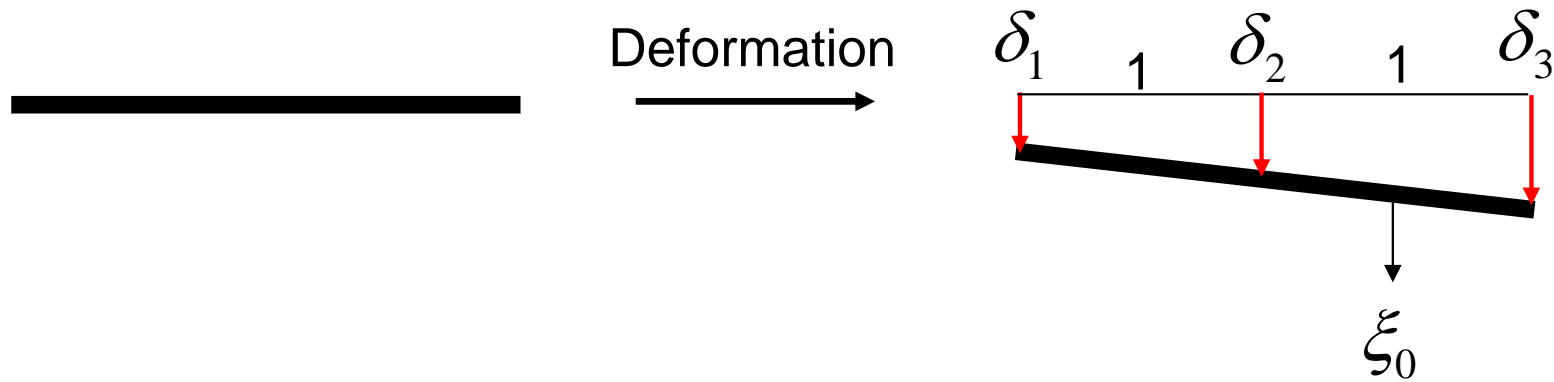
$$\left. \begin{aligned} N_1 &= k\delta_1 \\ N_2 &= k\delta_2 \\ N_3 &= k\delta_3 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Trusses behave like springs}$$

$F^d$

for given

# Example II: Truss structure (2)

**Rigid bar:** If two displacements  $\delta_1, \delta_2$  are specified can calculate the other displacements (kinematic constraint):



Therefore:

$$\delta_3 = \delta_1 + 2 \frac{\delta_2 - \delta_1}{1} = 2\delta_2 - \delta_1$$

$$\xi_0 = \frac{3}{2}\delta_2 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_1$$

# Example II: Truss structure (3)

**Solution procedure:**

Elasticity condition (no dissipation):

$$d\psi = \delta W$$

- **Step 1:**  $d\psi(\delta_1, \delta_2) = \frac{1}{2}k[(4\delta_1 - 4\delta_2)d\delta_1 + (-4\delta_1 + 10\delta_2)d\delta_2]$
- **Step 2:**  $\delta W(\xi_1) = F^d \left[ -\frac{1}{2}d\delta_1 + \frac{3}{2}d\delta_2 \right]$
- **Step 3:** Solve equations  $d\psi = \delta W \quad \forall dx_i, \forall d\xi_j$

$$\frac{1}{2}k[(4\delta_1 - 4\delta_2)d\delta_1 + (-4\delta_1 + 10\delta_2)d\delta_2] = F^d \left[ -\frac{1}{2}d\delta_1 + \frac{3}{2}d\delta_2 \right]$$

$$\left[ \underbrace{\left( 2k\delta_1 - 2k\delta_2 + \frac{1}{2}F^d \right)}_{\stackrel{!}{=}0} d\delta_1 + \underbrace{\left( -2k\delta_1 + 5k\delta_2 - \frac{3}{2}F^d \right)}_{\stackrel{!}{=}0} d\delta_2 \right] = 0$$

for elastic EQ

# Example II: Truss structure (4)

This results in linear system of equations:

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2k & -2k \\ -2k & 5k \end{pmatrix}}_M \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -F^d / 2 \\ 3F^d / 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve for the unknown variables  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots$

Note that (forming the inverse of a 2x2 matrix):

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

This can be used to calculate  $M^{-1}$   $\delta_1, \delta_2$

# Example II: Truss structure (5)

This results in:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{6k} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}}_{M^{-1}} \begin{pmatrix} -F^d / 2 \\ 3F^d / 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{F^d}{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1/12 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve for the other unknown variables (utilize kinematic relationships and the spring equations):

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \delta_3 = 7/12 \frac{F^d}{k} & \xrightarrow{N_i = k\delta_i} & N_1 = 1/12 F^d \\ \xi_0 = 11/24 \frac{F^d}{k} & & N_2 = 1/3 F^d \\ & & N_3 = 7/12 F^d \end{array}$$