



## Resultant "section" Forces and Moments

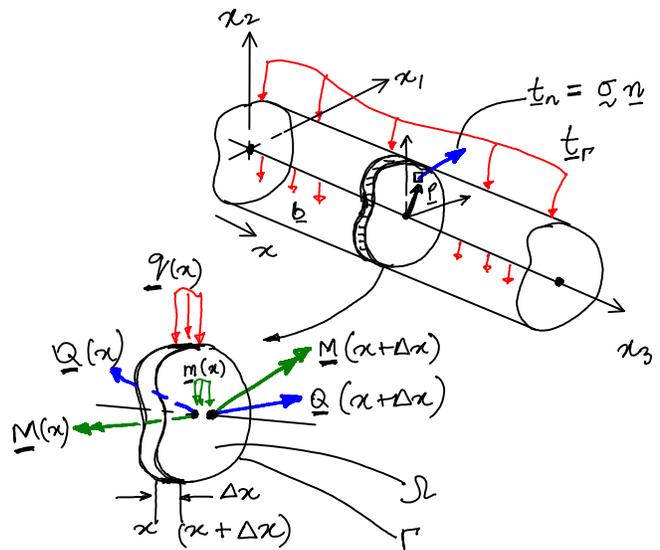
• Equilibrium:

- Internal Section Forces (shear + Axial)

$$\underline{Q}(x) \equiv \int_{\Omega} \underline{t}_n \, dA$$

- Internal section moment: (Bending + Torsion)

$$\underline{M}(x) \equiv \int_{\Omega} \underline{p} \times \underline{t}_n \, dA$$



- Applied Section Forces:

$$\underline{q}(x) \equiv \int_{\Omega} \underline{b} \, d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \underline{t}_r \, d\Gamma$$

- Applied section moments:

$$\underline{m}(x) \equiv \int_{\Omega} \underline{p} \times \underline{b} \, d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \underline{p} \times \underline{t}_r \, d\Gamma$$

$\sum \underline{F} = 0$  @ every point  $x$  along the beam

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dQ}{dx} + \underline{q} = \underline{0}} \quad (0 < x < L)$$

$\sum \underline{M} = 0$  @ every point  $x$  along the beam

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dM}{dx} + (\underline{e}_3 \times Q) + \underline{m} = \underline{0}} \quad (0 < x < L)$$

## Planar (2D) Beam Formulation

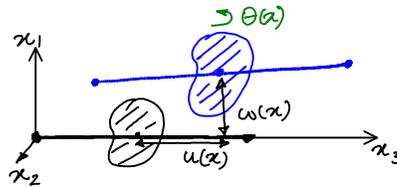
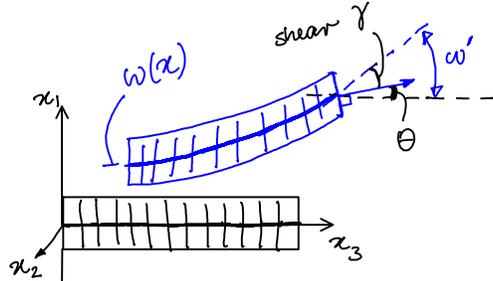
In the  $x_1-x_3$  plane:

Generalized "Displacements"

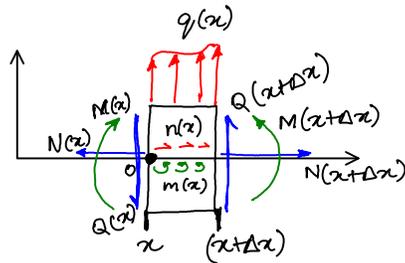
- $u(x) \equiv w_3(x_3)$  Axial
- $w(x) \equiv w_1(x_3)$  Transverse
- $\theta(x) \equiv \theta_2(x_3)$  Rotation

Generalized "Forces"

- $N(x) \equiv Q_3(x_3)$  Axial force
- $Q(x) \equiv Q_1(x_3)$  Shear force
- $M(x) \equiv M_2(x_3)$  Bending moment



- $n(x)$ : Applied axial force per length
- $q(x)$ : Applied transverse load per length
- $m(x)$ : Applied moment per length



### Governing Equations of Equilibrium for Beams

$$\begin{aligned} \sum F_3 = 0 &\Rightarrow N(x+\Delta x) - N(x) + n(x)\Delta x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dx} + n = 0 \\ \sum F_1 = 0 &\Rightarrow Q(x+\Delta x) - Q(x) + q(x)\Delta x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dQ}{dx} + q = 0 \\ \sum M_2 = 0 &\Rightarrow M(x+\Delta x) - M(x) + Q(x+\Delta x)\Delta x + m(x)\Delta x + (q(x)\Delta x)\frac{\Delta x}{2} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dM}{dx} + Q + m = 0 \end{aligned}$$

ie.

Axial:	$\begin{aligned} N' + n &= 0 \\ Q' + q &= 0 \\ M' + Q + m &= 0 \end{aligned}$	}	for all $x \in (0, L)$
Transverse:			
Bending Moment:			

Using the kinematic Assumption, we can find:

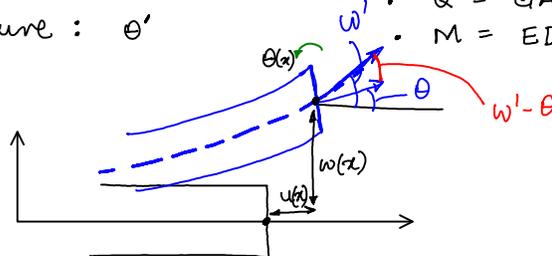
Strains:

- Axial :  $u'$
- Shear :  $w' - \theta$
- Curvature :  $\theta'$

Constitutive Relations

- $N = EA(u')$
- $Q = GA(w' - \theta)$
- $M = EI(\theta')$

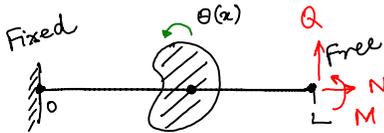
$$(Q = M)$$



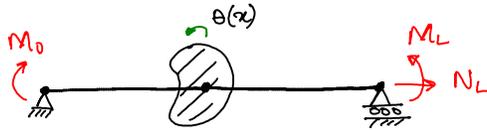
## Governing Equations for "Timoshenko" Beam: (including shear)

Axial:  $(EAu')' + n = 0$   
 Transverse:  $(GA(w' - \theta))' + q = 0$   
 Bending:  $(EI(\theta'))' + GA(w' - \theta) + m = 0$

Boundary conditions:



$$\text{EBC} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Axial: } u(0) = 0 \\ \text{Transverse: } w(0) = 0 \\ \text{Bending: } \theta(0) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} N(L) = (EAu') = \text{specified} \\ Q(L) = GA(w' - \theta) = \text{"} \\ M(L) = EI(\theta') = \text{"} \end{array} \right] \text{NBC}$$



$$\begin{array}{l} \text{EBC} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Axial: } u(0) = 0 \\ \text{Transverse: } w(0) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} N(L) = N_L \\ w(L) = 0 \end{array} \right] \text{NBC} \\ \text{NBC} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Bending: } M(0) = M_0 \\ \phantom{Bending:} \phantom{M(0) = M_0} \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} M(L) = M_L \end{array} \right] \text{NBC} \end{array}$$

Weak Form:

$$G(\underbrace{\{u, w, \theta\}}_{\underline{U}}, \underbrace{\{\bar{u}, \bar{w}, \bar{\theta}\}}_{\bar{\underline{U}}}) \equiv \int_0^L \bar{u} ((EAu')' + n) dl + \int_0^L \bar{w} ([GA(w' - \theta)]' + q) dl + \int_0^L \bar{\theta} ((EI\theta')' + GA(w' - \theta) + m) dl$$

Integrating by parts:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(\underline{U}, \bar{\underline{U}}) &= - \left[ \int_0^L (\bar{u}' EAu' - \bar{u}n) dl \right] + [\bar{u}(EAu')]_0^L \\
 &\quad - \left[ \int_0^L (\bar{w}' GA(w' - \theta) - \bar{w}q) dl \right] + [\bar{w}(GA(w' - \theta))]_0^L \\
 &\quad - \left[ \int_0^L (\bar{\theta}' EI\theta' - \bar{\theta}GA(w' - \theta) - \bar{\theta}m) dl \right] + [\bar{\theta}(EI\theta')]_0^L
 \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging

$$G(\underline{U}, \underline{U}) = - \int_0^L [\bar{u}' EA u' + (\bar{\omega}' - \bar{\theta}) GA(\omega' - \theta) + \bar{\theta}' EI \theta'] dl$$

$$+ \int_0^L [\bar{u} n + \bar{\omega} q + \bar{\theta} m] dl + [\bar{u} N]_0^L + [\bar{\omega} Q]_0^L + [\bar{\theta} M]_0^L$$

Requirements for continuity:

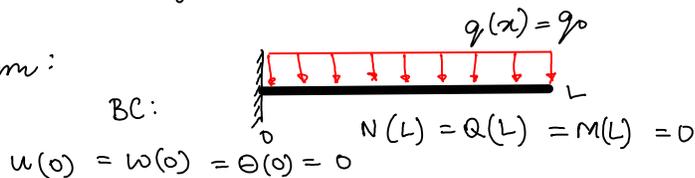
To solve  $G(\underline{U}, \underline{U}) = 0$  for all  $\underline{U} = \{\bar{u}, \bar{\omega}, \bar{\theta}\} \in H_0^1(0, L)$

This means that we can choose our previous 1-D functions for  $\{\bar{u}, \bar{\omega}, \bar{\theta}\}$  and the same framework will apply here.

For the Ritz method:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} u(x) &\approx u^h(x) = c_0 + \sum_i c_i f_i(x) \\ \omega(x) &\approx \omega^h(x) = a_0 + \sum_i a_i h_i(x) \\ \theta(x) &\approx \theta^h(x) = b_0 + \sum_i b_i g_i(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{where } f_i, g_i, h_i \in H_0^1(0, L)$$

Example: Cantilever Beam:



Assume Polynomial approximation:  
(axial approximation eliminated)

$$\begin{aligned} w(x) &= a_1 x + a_2 \frac{x^2}{\ell}, & \theta(x) &= b_1 \frac{x}{\ell} \\ \bar{w}(x) &= \bar{a}_1 x + \bar{a}_2 \frac{x^2}{\ell}, & \bar{\theta}(x) &= \bar{b}_1 \frac{x}{\ell} \end{aligned}$$

Weak form:

$$G(\underline{U}, \underline{U}) = \{\bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2, \bar{b}_1\} \left\{ \frac{GA\ell}{12} \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 12 & -6 \\ 12 & 16 & -8 \\ -6 & -8 & 4+\beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \left(-\frac{q_0 \ell^2}{6}\right) \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = 0$$

Solving the equations:

$$a_1 = -\frac{q\ell}{GA}, \quad a_2 = \frac{q\ell}{GA} \left(\frac{\beta-2}{2\beta}\right), \quad b_1 = -\frac{q\ell}{GA} \left(\frac{2}{\beta}\right) \quad \text{where } \beta = \frac{12}{\ell^2} \frac{EI}{GA}$$

Thus:

$$w(x) = \frac{q\ell^4}{24EI} \left( (\beta-2) \frac{x^2}{\ell^2} - 2\beta \frac{x}{\ell} \right), \quad \theta(x) = -\frac{q\ell^3}{6EI} \left( \frac{x}{\ell} \right)$$

Note: We have used Quadratic Polynomial for  $w(x)$   
and a Linear Polynomial for  $\theta(x)$

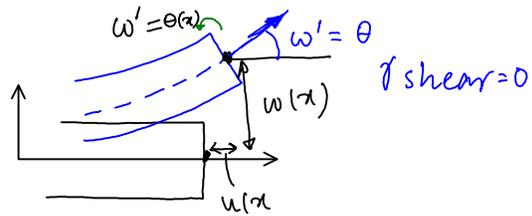
In general, we choose approximation of  $w(x)$  one degree higher than  $\theta(x)$ .

Governing Equations for a Bernoulli-Euler Beam: (neglecting shear)

If we further assume that the shear deformation is zero:

$$w' - \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{w' = \theta}$$

(i.e. the beam is rigid in shear),



Then equilibrium:-

Axial :  $(EAu')' + n = 0$

Transverse & Bending :  $(EIw'')' + Q + m = 0$

i.e.  $\boxed{(EIw'')'' = q - m'}$  (Differentiate again)

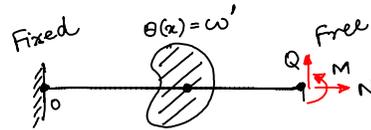
Note:

- We have eliminated another unknown:  $\theta(x) = w'(x)$
- We also lost the constitutive equation  $Q = GA(w' - \theta)$ .

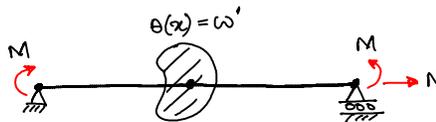
Shear must now be calculated from "Statics" (equilibrium):

$$Q = -M' - m = -(EIw'')' - m$$

Boundary conditions:



$$EBC \begin{cases} \text{Axial} : u(0) = 0 \\ \text{Transverse} : w(0) = 0 \\ \text{Bending} : w'(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} N(L) = (EAu') = \text{specified} \\ Q(L) = -(EIw'')' - m = \text{"} \\ M(L) = EI\theta' = EIw'' = \text{"} \end{cases} \quad NBC$$



$$EBC \begin{cases} \text{Axial} : u(0) = 0 \\ \text{Transverse} : w(0) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} N(L) = \text{spec} \\ w(L) = 0 \end{cases} \quad EBC$$

$$NBC \begin{cases} \text{Bending} : EIw''(0) = \text{specified} \\ \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} EIw''(L) = \text{spec} \end{cases} \quad NBC$$

Weak Form:

$$G(\{u, w\}, \{\bar{u}, \bar{w}\}) \equiv \int_0^L \bar{u} ((EAu')' + n) dl + \int_0^L \bar{w} ((EIw'')'' - q + m') dl$$

Weak Form for Bernoulli-Euler beams: (Bending Only)

$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) \equiv \int_0^L \bar{\omega} ((EI\omega'')'' - q + m') dl$$

Integrate by parts: (twice)

$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = - \int_0^L [\bar{\omega}' (EI\omega'')' + \bar{\omega} (q - m')] dl + [\bar{\omega} (EI\omega'')]_0^L$$

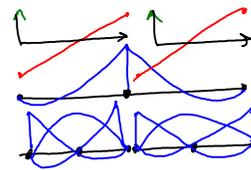
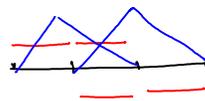
$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = \int_0^L [\bar{\omega}'' (EI\omega'') - \bar{\omega} (q - m')] dl + [\bar{\omega} (EI\omega'')]_0^L - [\bar{\omega}' (EI\omega'')]_0^L$$

Note: • Continuity requirements:

$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = 0 \quad \forall \quad \bar{\omega} \in H_0^2(0, L)$$

- The chosen functions must also be complete at least upto polynomial order 2 (because derivatives of order 2:  $\omega''$ )

- Conventional 1-D functions - not ok.



Ritz Method

$$\omega(x) \approx \omega^h(x) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i h_i(x) \quad h_i(x) \in H_0^2(0, L)$$

Example Cantilever Beam:

$$a_0 = 0 ;$$

$$h_1(x) = x^2$$

$$\omega(x) = a_1 x^2 \Rightarrow \omega''(x) = 2a_1$$

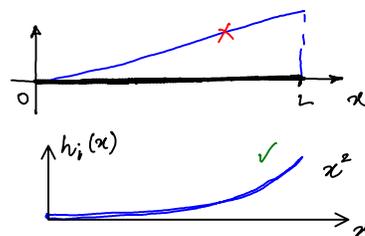
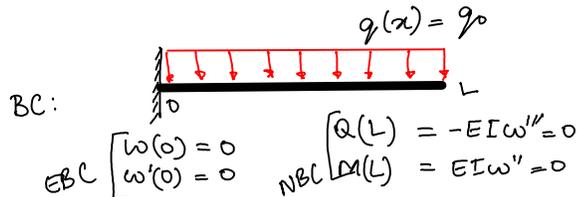
$$\bar{\omega}(x) = \bar{a}_1 x^2 \quad \bar{\omega}''(x) = 2\bar{a}_1$$

$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = \int_0^L \bar{a}_1 (EI \times 2 \times 2) a_1 dl - \int_0^L \bar{a}_1 x^2 q_0 dl$$

$$G(\omega, \bar{\omega}) = \underbrace{\bar{a}_1}_{K} \underbrace{(4EI L)}_d \underbrace{\{a_1\}}_d - \underbrace{\left\{ \frac{L^3}{3} q_0 \right\}}_f = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{a_1 = \frac{q_0 L^2}{12EI}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega(x) = a_1 x^2 = \frac{q_0 L^2 x^2}{12EI}$$



$\neq \bar{a}_1$

Exact solution:  $(EI w'')'' = q_0$

Integrate:  $\Rightarrow (EI w'')' = q_0 x + C_1$

BC:  $Q(L) = 0 \Rightarrow -(EI w'')' = -(q_0 L + C_1) = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -q_0 L$

Integrate  $\Rightarrow (EI w'') = \frac{q_0 x^2}{2} - q_0 L x + C_2$

BC:  $M(L) = 0 \Rightarrow (EI w'') = \frac{q_0 L^2}{2} - q_0 L^2 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{q_0 L^2}{2}$

Integrate  $\Rightarrow EI w' = \frac{q_0 x^3}{6} - \frac{q_0 L x^2}{2} + \frac{q_0 L^2}{2} x + C_3$

BC  $w'(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_3 = 0$

Integrate  $\Rightarrow w(x) = \frac{1}{EI} \left( \frac{q_0 x^4}{24} - \frac{q_0 L x^3}{6} + \frac{q_0 L^2 x^2}{4} + C_4 \right)$

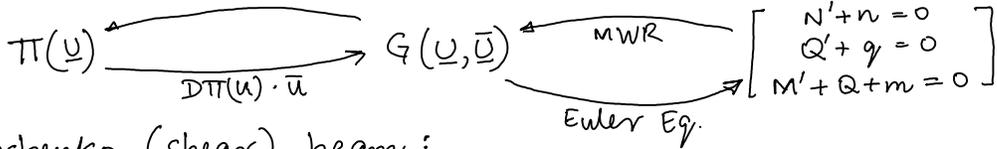
BC  $w(0) = 0 \Rightarrow C_4 = 0$

Thus  $w(x) = \frac{1}{EI} \left( \frac{q_0 x^4}{24} - \frac{q_0 L x^3}{6} + \frac{q_0 L^2 x^2}{4} \right)$

Comparing the Ritz solution @  $x=L$ :

Ritz:  $\frac{q_0 L^4}{12EI}$  ; Exact:  $\frac{q_0 L^4}{8EI}$

Variational Principles for Beams



(i) Timoshenko (shear) beam :

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(\underline{U}) &= \int_0^L \left[ \frac{1}{2} EA (u')^2 + \frac{1}{2} GA (\omega' - \theta)^2 + \frac{1}{2} EI (\theta')^2 \right] dl \\ &\quad - \int_0^L [u \cdot n + \omega \cdot q + \theta \cdot m] dl \\ &\quad - [u N]_0^L - [\omega Q]_0^L - [\theta M]_0^L \end{aligned}$$

Check Minimizing  $\Pi(\underline{U})$  :

$$\begin{aligned} D\Pi(\underline{U}) \cdot \underline{U} &= \left[ \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Pi(\underline{U} + \epsilon \underline{U}) \right]_{\epsilon=0} \\ &= \int_0^L \left[ EA (\bar{u}' u' + \epsilon \bar{u}'^2) + GA [(\bar{\omega}' - \bar{\theta})(\omega' - \theta) + \epsilon (\bar{\omega}' - \bar{\theta})^2] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + EI (\bar{\theta}' \theta' + \epsilon \bar{\theta}'^2) \right] dl - \int_0^L [\bar{u} \cdot n + \bar{\omega} \cdot q + \bar{\theta} \cdot m] dl \\ &\quad - [\bar{u} N]_0^L - [\bar{\omega} Q]_0^L - [\bar{\theta} M]_0^L \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$D\Pi(\underline{U}) \cdot \underline{U} = G(\underline{U}, \underline{U})$$

(ii) Bernoulli-Euler Beam : (Bending only)

$$\Pi(w) = \int_0^L \frac{1}{2} EI (w'')^2 dx + \int_0^L (\bar{w} q - w m') dx - [\bar{w} Q]_0^L - [\bar{w}' M]_0^L$$

Check Minimizing :

$$\begin{aligned} D\Pi(w) \cdot \bar{w} &= \left[ \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Pi(w + \epsilon \bar{w}) \right]_{\epsilon=0} \\ &= \int_0^L EI \bar{w}'' w'' dx + \int_0^L (\bar{w} q - \bar{w}' m') dx - [\bar{w} Q]_0^L - [\bar{w}' M]_0^L \\ &= G(w, \bar{w}) \end{aligned}$$

# Finite Element Approximations for Beams

## (i) Timoshenko Beams (with shear)

Weak form:

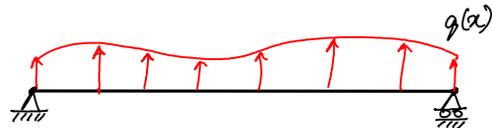
$$G(\underline{U}, \underline{D}) = - \int_0^L [\bar{u}' EA u' + (\bar{\omega}' - \bar{\theta}) GA (\omega' - \theta) + \bar{\theta}' EI \theta'] dl + \int_0^L [\bar{u} n + \bar{\omega} q + \bar{\theta} m] dl + [\bar{u} N]_0^L + [\bar{\omega} Q]_0^L + [\bar{\theta} M]_0^L$$

Highest degree of derivatives = 1

$\Rightarrow \{\bar{u}, \bar{\omega}, \bar{\theta}\}$  must be in  $H_0^1(0, L)$

Thus we can use our 1-D finite elements for Timoshenko beams:

Example: Simply supported beam:



Ritz Approximation:

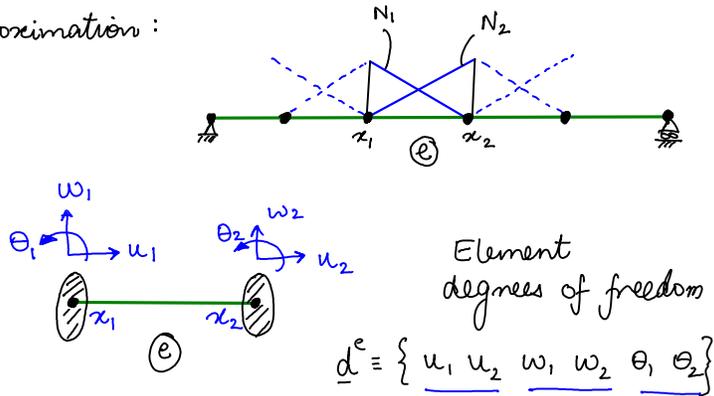
$$\left. \begin{aligned} u(x) &\approx u^h(x) = c_0 + \sum c_i f_i(x) \\ w(x) &\approx w^h(x) = a_0 + \sum a_i h_i(x) \\ \theta(x) &\approx \theta^h(x) = b_0 + \sum b_i g_i(x) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{where } f_i, g_i, h_i \in H_0^1(0, L)$$

Equivalent Finite element approximation:  
for element  $e$ :

$$u(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$w(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2] \begin{Bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\theta(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2] \begin{Bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$



Substituting these expressions into the weak form:

$$\tilde{G}^h(\underline{d}, \underline{d}) = \underline{d}^g \left[ \tilde{K}^g \underline{d}^g - \underline{f}^g \right] = 0 \quad \text{for all } \underline{d}^g$$

$$\left[ \tilde{K}^g \right] = \mathbf{A} \sum_{e=1}^M \left[ \tilde{K}^e \right] \quad ; \quad \underline{f}^g = \mathbf{A} \sum_{e=1}^M \underline{f}^{el}$$

Note:

$$\underset{6 \times 6}{\tilde{K}^{el}} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{uu} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & K_{w\omega} & K_{w\theta} \\ 0 & K_{\omega\omega} & K_{\theta\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$K_{uu} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1' \\ N_2' \end{bmatrix} EA \begin{bmatrix} N_1' & N_2' \end{bmatrix} dx \Rightarrow K_{uu} = \frac{EA}{le} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K_{w\omega} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1' \\ N_2' \end{bmatrix} GA \begin{bmatrix} N_1' & N_2' \end{bmatrix} dx \Rightarrow K_{w\omega} = \frac{GA}{le} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K_{w\theta} = K_{\omega\omega}^T = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1' \\ N_2' \end{bmatrix} GA \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & N_2 \end{bmatrix} dx = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

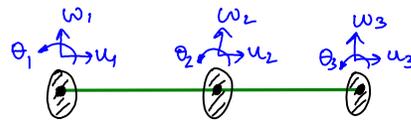
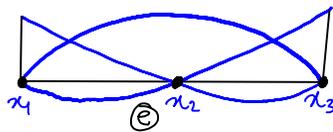
$$K_{\theta\theta} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1 \\ N_2 \end{bmatrix} GA \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & N_2 \end{bmatrix} dx + \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1' \\ N_2' \end{bmatrix} EI \begin{bmatrix} N_1' & N_2' \end{bmatrix} dx = \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

Element force vector:

$$\underset{6}{f}^{el} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & & & & & \\ N_2 & & & & & \\ & N_1 & & & & \\ & N_2 & & & & \\ & & N_1 & & & \\ & & N_2 & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} n \\ q \\ m \end{Bmatrix} dx + [\bar{u} N]_0^L + [\bar{\omega} Q]_0^L + [\bar{\theta} M]_0^L$$

Higher Order Lagrange shape functions can also be used

$$\tilde{N} = [N_1 \ N_2 \ N_3]$$



## Shear Locking in Timoshenko beams

Just like the Ritz method by Timoshenko beams, equal order interpolation for  $w(x)$  and  $\theta(x)$  leads to shear locking.

To remedy shear locking:

### (i) Reduced Integration

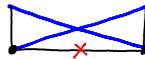
→ Choose equal order interpolation for  $w(x)$  and  $\theta(x)$  and use "reduced" Gauss Points to integrate:

$$\int_0^l (\bar{w}' - \bar{\theta}) GA(w' - \theta) dx \quad (\text{shear term})$$

→ For example

- $w(x)$  : linear
- $\theta(x)$  : linear

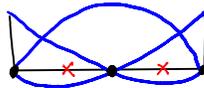
⇒  $w'$  : constant



⇒ Use 1 gauss point

- $w(x)$  : quadratic
- $\theta(x)$  : quadratic

⇒  $w'$  : linear



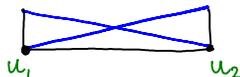
⇒ Use 2 gauss points

### (ii) Consistent interpolation

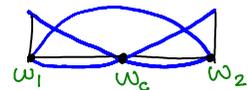
→ Choose shape functions such that polynomial order of  $w'(x)$  and  $\theta(x)$  is the same.

→ For example

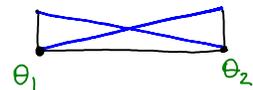
$u(x)$  : linear



$w(x)$  : quadratic



$\theta(x)$  : linear



element dofs:

$$\underline{d} = \{ \underline{u_1, u_2} \quad \underline{w_1, w_c, w_2} \quad \underline{\theta_1, \theta_2} \}$$

$$[K^{el}]_{7 \times 7} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{uu} & & \\ & K_{ww} & K_{w\theta} \\ & K_{\theta w} & K_{\theta\theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[K_{uu}]_{2 \times 2}$$

$$[K_{ww}]_{3 \times 3}$$

$$[K_{\theta w}]_{2 \times 3}$$

$$[K_{w\theta}]_{3 \times 2}$$

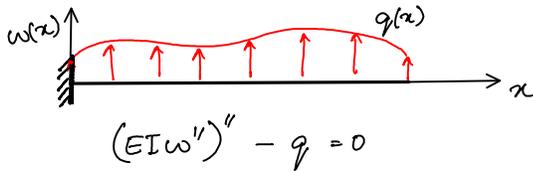
$$[K_{\theta\theta}]_{2 \times 2}$$

(ii) Bernoulli-Euler Beams:

Recall weak form:

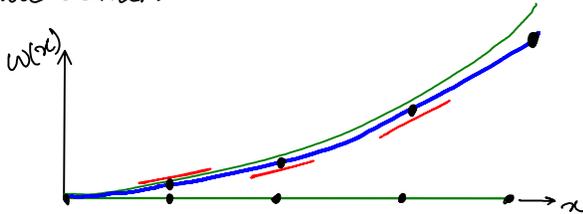
$$G(w, \bar{w}) = \int_0^L [\bar{w}''(EI w'') - \bar{w}(q - m'v)] dl + [\bar{w}(EI w'')]_0^L - [\bar{w}'(EI w'')]_0^L$$

Consider a cantilever beam:

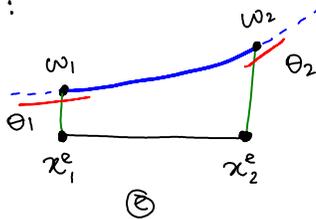


Weak form  $G(w, \bar{w}) = 0 \quad \forall \bar{w}$

Finite element:



One Element:



$$w(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$$

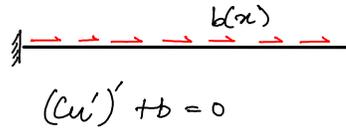
$$\theta(x) = w'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2 x + 3a_3 x^2$$

such that:

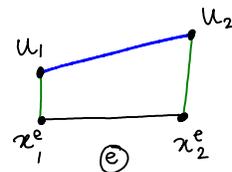
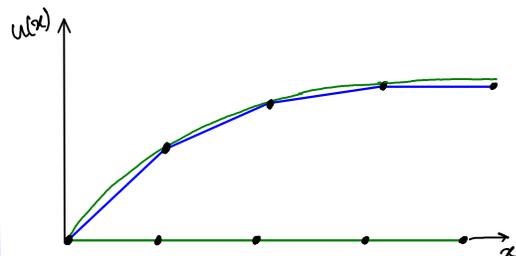
$$\begin{cases} w_1 = a_0 + a_1 x_1^e + a_2 x_1^{e2} + a_3 x_1^{e3} \\ \theta_1 = a_1 + 2a_2 x_1^e + 3a_3 x_1^{e2} \\ w_2 = a_0 + a_1 x_2^e + a_2 x_2^{e2} + a_3 x_2^{e3} \\ \theta_2 = a_1 + 2a_2 x_2^e + 3a_3 x_2^{e2} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} w_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ w_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1^e & x_1^{e2} & x_1^{e3} \\ 0 & 1 & 2x_1^e & 3x_1^{e2} \\ 1 & x_2^e & x_2^{e2} & x_2^{e3} \\ 0 & 1 & 2x_2^e & 3x_2^{e2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

1-D analogous problem



$G(u, \bar{u}) = 0 \quad \forall \bar{u}$



$$u(x) = a_0 + a_1 x$$

such that

$$u_1 = u(x_1^e) = a_0 + a_1 x_1^e$$

$$u_2 = u(x_2^e) = a_0 + a_1 x_2^e$$

Element dofs

$$\Rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1^e \\ 1 & x_2^e \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Thus

$$\begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1^e & x_1^{e^2} & x_1^{e^3} \\ 0 & 1 & 2x_1^e & 3x_1^{e^2} \\ 1 & x_2^e & x_2^{e^2} & x_2^{e^3} \\ 0 & 1 & 2x_2^e & 3x_2^{e^2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{Bmatrix} w_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ w_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

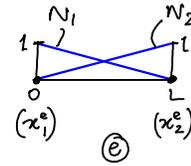
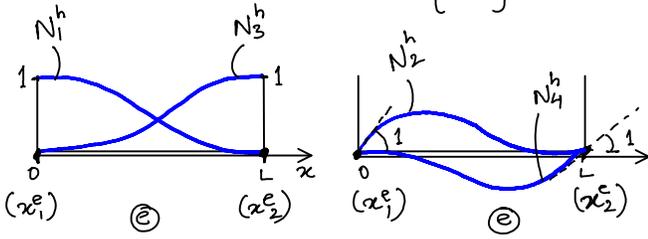
$$\Rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1^e \\ 1 & x_2^e \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Substitute  $\{a_0, a_1\}$  into  $u(x) = a_0 + a_1 x$

$$\Rightarrow w(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2 \quad N_3 \quad N_4] \begin{Bmatrix} w_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ w_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

i.e.  $\underline{u} = \underline{N} \underline{d}$



$$\begin{aligned} N_1^h(x) &= 1 - \frac{3x^2}{L^2} + \frac{2x^3}{L^3} & N_2^h(x) &= x - \frac{2x^2}{L} + \frac{x^3}{L^2} \\ N_3^h(x) &= \frac{3x^2}{L^2} - \frac{2x^3}{L^3} & N_4^h(x) &= -\frac{x^2}{L} + \frac{x^3}{L^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_1(x) &= 1 - \frac{x}{L} \\ N_2(x) &= \frac{x}{L} \end{aligned}$$

These are called Hermite functions. They impose the continuity of the primary variable  $w(x)$  and its derivative ( $w'(x) = \theta(x)$ ).

Substituting this Finite Element approximation into the weak form: (including axial)

$$G(\{u, w\}, \{\bar{u}, \bar{w}\}) = \sum_{e=1}^M \left[ \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} [(\bar{u}' EA u') + (\bar{w}'' EI w'')] dx - \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} (\bar{u} n + \bar{w} \phi - m) dx - [\bar{u} N]_0^L - [\bar{w} Q]_0^L - [\bar{w}' M]_0^L \right]$$

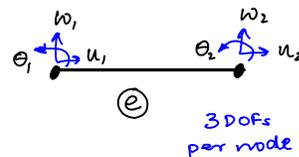
$$u(x) = [N_1 \quad N_2] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$w(x) = [N_1^h \quad N_2^h \quad N_3^h \quad N_4^h] \begin{Bmatrix} w_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ w_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Element Dofs:  $\{u_1, u_2, w_1, \theta_1, w_2, \theta_2\}$

$$\hat{G}^h(\underline{d}, \bar{\underline{d}}) = -\underline{A} \bar{\underline{d}}^T (\underline{K}^e \underline{d}^e - \underline{f}^e) = 0 \quad \forall \bar{\underline{d}}$$

where  $\underline{K}^e = \underline{K}^{el}$  ;  $\underline{f}^e = \underline{A} \underline{f}^{el}$

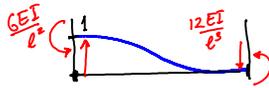


Note:

$$\tilde{K}^{el} = \begin{bmatrix} K_{uu} & \\ & K_{ww} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K_{uu}^{el} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1' \\ N_2' \end{bmatrix} EA \begin{bmatrix} N_1' & N_2' \end{bmatrix} dx = \frac{EA}{l} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad l = (x_2^e - x_1^e)$$

$$K_{ww}^{el} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1'' \\ N_2'' \\ N_3'' \\ N_4'' \end{bmatrix} EI \begin{bmatrix} N_1'' & N_2'' & N_3'' & N_4'' \end{bmatrix} dx = \frac{EI}{l^3} \begin{bmatrix} 12 & 6l & -12 & 6l \\ 6l & 4l^2 & -6l & 2l^2 \\ -12 & -6l & 12 & -6l \\ 6l & 2l^2 & -6l & 4l^2 \end{bmatrix}$$



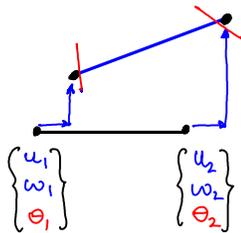
Element force vector:

$$\underline{f}^{el} = \int_{x_1^e}^{x_2^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_1 \\ N_2 \\ \hline N_1^h \\ N_2^h \\ N_3^h \\ N_4^h \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} n \\ q-m \end{Bmatrix} dx + [\bar{u} N]_0^L + [\bar{w} Q]_0^L + [\bar{w}' M]_0^L$$

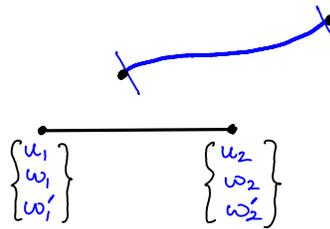
Post processing: After solving

$$\tilde{K}^g \underline{d}^g = \underline{f}^g$$

- Plot deformed shape



Timoshenko Beam with  
Linear elements



Bernoulli-Euler beam with  
Hermite-cubic elements

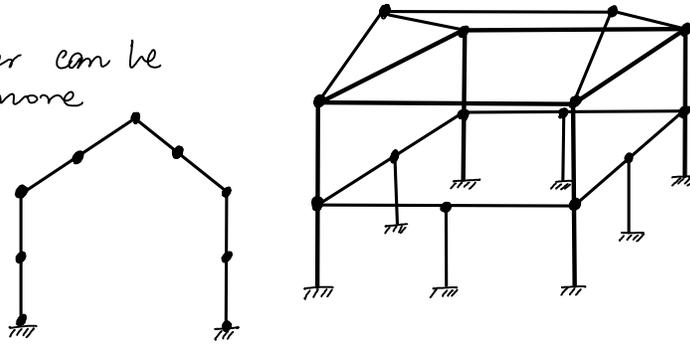
- Calculate

→ Axial force	$N(x)$	:	$EA u'(x)$	:	$EA u'$
→ Shear force	$Q(x)$	:	$GA (w' - \theta)$	:	$Q = -M' - m = -EI w'''$
→ Bending Moment	$M(x)$	:	$EI (\theta')$	:	$M = EI w''$
			(Timoshenko)		(Bernoulli-Euler)

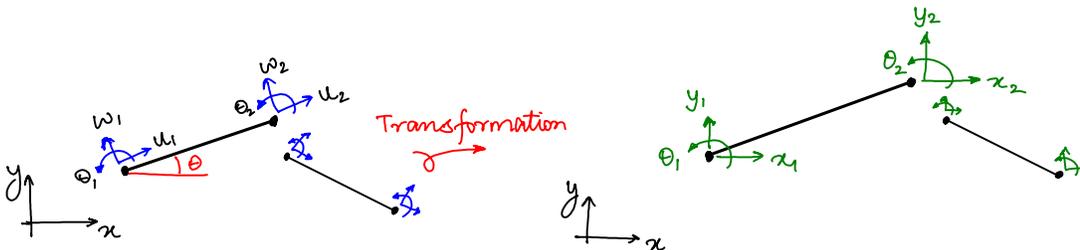
## Frame Structures in 2D & 3D

Each beam / column member can be modelled with one or more beam elements.

(Timoshenko / Bernoulli-Euler)



### 2D Frame Element



Element dofs in local coordinates

$$\underline{d}_e^L = \{ \underline{u}_1 \ \underline{w}_1 \ \theta_1 \ \underline{u}_2 \ \underline{w}_2 \ \theta_2 \}$$

cannot be assembled.

Element dofs in Global coordinates

$$\underline{d}_e^G = \{ \underline{x}_1 \ \underline{y}_1 \ \theta_1 \ \underline{x}_2 \ \underline{y}_2 \ \theta_2 \}$$

Can be assembled.

i.e.

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & \cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{T}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ w_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ u_2 \\ w_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{d}_e^L} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ \theta_1 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{d}_e^G}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{d}_e^L = \underline{T}^T \underline{d}_e^G$$

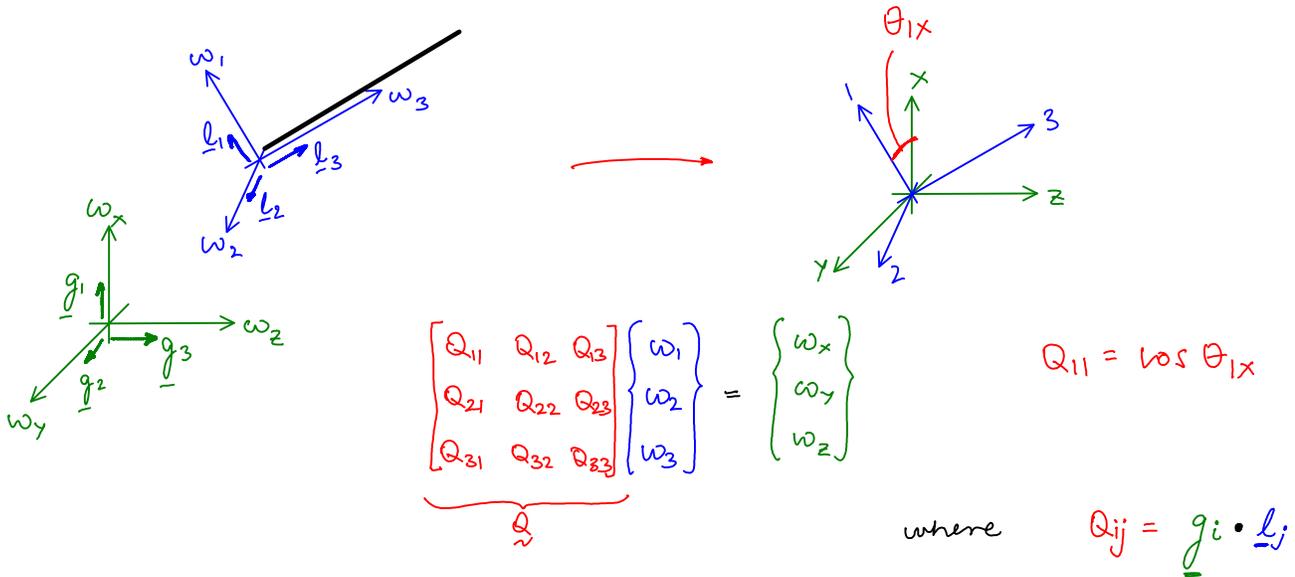
The element stiffness matrix and load vectors can also be transformed:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{G}^h(\underline{d}, \underline{\bar{d}}) &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \underline{\bar{d}}_e^{L^T} \left( \underline{K}_e^L \underline{d}_e^L - \underline{f}_e^L \right) \\ &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \left( \underline{T}^T \underline{\bar{d}}_e^G \right)^T \left[ \underline{K}_e^L \left( \underline{T}^T \underline{d}_e^G \right) - \left( \underline{T}^T \underline{f}_e^G \right) \right] \\ &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \underline{\bar{d}}_e^{G^T} \left[ \left( \underline{T} \underline{K}_e^L \underline{T}^T \right) \underline{d}_e^G - \underline{f}_e^G \right] \\ &= - \underbrace{\underline{A}}_{e=1}^M \underline{\bar{d}}_e^{G^T} \left[ \underline{K}_e^G \underline{d}_e^G - \underline{f}_e^G \right] \\ &\Rightarrow - \underline{\bar{d}}_e^{G^T} \left[ \underline{K}_e^G \underline{d}_e^G - \underline{f}_e^G \right] = 0 \quad \forall \underline{\bar{d}}_e^G \end{aligned}$$



### 3D Transformation

To be able to assemble the element matrices and vectors, we need to transform the local co-ordinates to global in 3D:



Thus to transform the local dofs to global dofs :

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sim & & \\ & \sim & \\ & & \sim \end{bmatrix}}_{\tilde{T}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \theta_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{d}_e^L} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} w_x \\ w_y \\ w_z \\ \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \theta_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\underline{d}_e^G}$$

Thus the weak form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{a}^h(\underline{d}, \bar{\underline{d}}) &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \bar{\underline{d}}_e^T ( \underline{K}_e^L \underline{d}_e^L - \underline{f}_e^L ) \\
 &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \bar{\underline{d}}_e^T \left[ \underbrace{(\underline{I} \underline{K}_e^L \tilde{T}^T)}_{\underline{K}_e^G} \underline{d}_e^G - \underline{f}_e^G \right] \\
 &= - \sum_{e=1}^M \bar{\underline{d}}_e^T \left[ \underline{K}_e^G \underline{d}_e^G - \underline{f}_e^G \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally solve:

$$\Rightarrow - \bar{\underline{d}}^G^T \left[ \underline{K}^G \underline{d}^G - \underline{f}^G \right] = 0 \quad \forall \bar{\underline{d}}^G \quad (\text{with BCs})$$