



AE4536: Buckling of structures

Stability of beams

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Beam formulation



Strain measures $\epsilon = u' + \frac{1}{2}w'^2$ } $\rightarrow \underline{\epsilon} = \{u', w', w''\}$

Potential energy $\kappa = -\int_0^L w'' dx$ $P = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EA \epsilon^2 dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI \kappa^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L NE dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L NH dx$

Potential energy expansion

$$P(\underline{u}_0 + \underline{\epsilon}_1) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EA(u'_0 + u'_1 + \frac{1}{2}(w'_0 + w'_1)^2) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EI (w''_0 + w''_1)^2 dx$$

Assemble terms of $\mathbf{u}_1, (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_1), (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_1)$ etc to assess stability and equilibrium

Potential energy expansion

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}_1) = & \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(u_0'^2 + u_1'^2 + \frac{1}{4} w_0'^4 + w_0'^2 w_1'^2 + \frac{1}{4} w_1'^4 + 2u_0' u_1' + u_0' w_0'^2 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(2u_0' w_0' w_1' + u_0' w_1'^2 + w_0'^2 u_1' + 2w_0' u_1' w_1' + u_1' w_1'^2 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(w_0'^2 w_0' w_1' + \frac{1}{2} w_0'^2 w_1'^2 + w_0' w_1' w_1'^2 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EI \int_0^L \left(w''_0^2 + 2w''_0 w''_1 + w''_1^2 \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

First form of potential energy

$$P(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}_1) = \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(u_0'^2 + u_1'^2 + \frac{1}{4} w_0'^4 + w_0'^2 w_1'^2 + \frac{1}{4} w_1'^4 + \underline{2u_0' u_1'} + u_0' w_0'^2 \right) dx$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(\underline{2u_0' w_0' w_1'} + u_0' w_1'^2 + \underline{w_0'^2 u_1'} + 2w_0' u_1' w_1' + u_1' w_1'^2 \right) dx$$

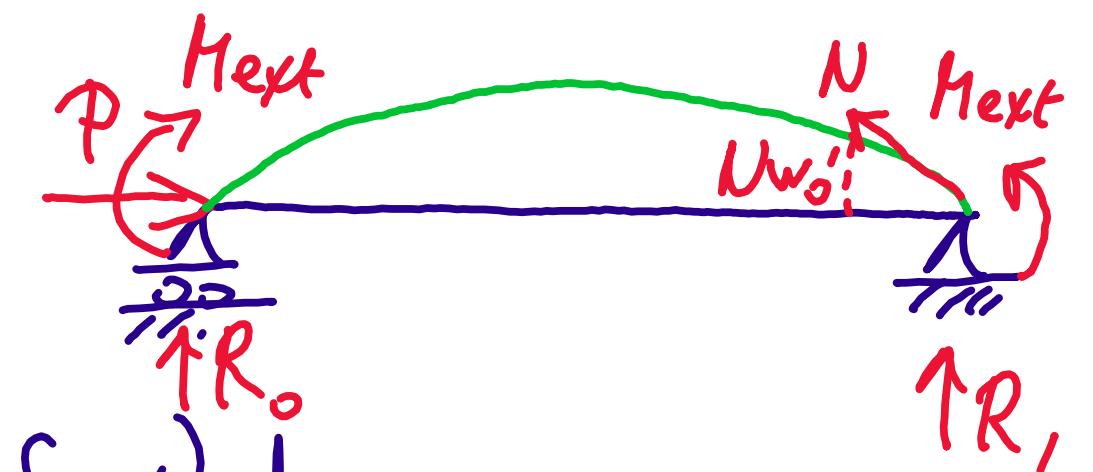
$$+ \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(\underline{w_0'^2 w_0' w_1'} + \frac{1}{2} w_0'^2 w_1'^2 + w_0' w_1' w_1'^2 \right) dx$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} EI \int_0^L \left(w_0''^2 + \underline{2w_0'' w_1''} + w_1''^2 \right) dx$$

$$P'_0(\underline{\psi}) = \cancel{\frac{1}{2} \int_0^L} \underbrace{EA(2u_0' + w_0'^2) u_1'}_N + \underbrace{EA(2u_0' + w_0'^2) w_0' w_1'}_N + \underbrace{EI w_0'' w_1''}_M$$

Equilibrium equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 P'_o(\delta u) &= \int_0^L (N\delta u' + N w'_o \delta w' + M \delta w'') dx \\
 &= \int_0^L [(N\delta u)' - N'\delta u + (N w'_o \delta w)' - N' w'_o \delta w - N w''_o \delta w \\
 &\quad + (M \delta w')' - (M' \delta w)' + M'' \delta w] dx = 0
 \end{aligned}$$



	Equilibrium	Boundary terms
δu	$N' = 0$	$N _0^L = -P$
δw	$M'' - N w''_o = 0$ $E I w'''_o$	$N w'_o _0^L = R_{o,L}$
$\delta w'$	/	$M _0^L = M_{ext}$

Partial integration

$$\textcircled{1} (N\delta u)' = N'\delta u + N\delta u' \rightarrow N\delta u' = (N\delta u)' - N'\delta u$$

$$\textcircled{2} (Nw_s' \delta w)' = N'w_s' \delta w + Nw_s'' \delta w + Nw_s' \delta w'$$

$$\rightarrow Nw_s' \delta w' = (Nw_s' \delta w)' - N'w_s' \delta w - Nw_s'' \delta w$$

$$\textcircled{3} (M\delta w')' = M'\delta w' + M\delta w'' \rightarrow M\delta w'' = (M\delta w')' - M'\delta w'$$

$$(M'\delta w)' = M''\delta w + M'\delta w' \rightarrow M'\delta w' = (M'\delta w)' - M''\delta w$$

$$\rightarrow M\delta w'' = (M\delta w')' - (M'\delta w)' + M''\delta w$$

Second form of potential energy

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}_1) = & \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(u'^2_0 + \underline{u'^2_1} + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_0 + \underline{w'^2_0 w'^2_1} + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_1 + 2u'_0 u'_1 + u'_0 w'^2_0 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(2u'_0 w'_0 w'_1 + \underline{u'_0 w'^2_1} + w'^2_0 u'_1 + \underline{2w'_0 u'_1 w'_1} + u'_1 w'^2_1 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(w'^2_0 w'_0 w'_1 + \underline{\frac{1}{2} w'^2_0 w'^2_1} + w'_0 w'_1 w'^2_1 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EI \int_0^L \left(w''^2_0 + 2w''_0 w''_1 + \underline{w''^2_1} \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$P_o''(u_1, w_1) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \left[EA(u'^2_1 + w'^2_0 w'^2_1 + u'_0 w'^2_1 + 2w'_0 u'_1 w'_1 + \frac{1}{2} w'^4_1) + EI w''^2_1 \right] dx$$

Stability equations

$$P_o''(\underline{u}_i, \underline{w}_i) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \left[EA \left(u_o' + \frac{1}{2} w_o'^2 \right) w_i'^2 + EA(u_i'^2 + w_o'^2) w_i'^2 + 2 w_o' u_i' w_i' \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L [N_o w_i'^2 + EA u_i'^2 + EI w_i''^2] dx$$

$$P_o''(\underline{u}_c, \delta \underline{u}_c) = \int_0^L [N_o w_c' \delta w_c' + EA u_c' \delta u_c' + EI w_c'' \delta w_c''] dx$$

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Buckling solution

$$\begin{cases} EIw_c'' - N_0 w_c'' = 0 \\ u_c'' = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_0 w_c' - M_c \Big|_0^L &= 0 \\ u_c' \Big|_0^L &= 0 \\ M_c \Big|_0^L &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} w_c = A \sin(kx) + B \cos(kx) + Cx + D \\ u_c = \text{Constant} \end{cases} \quad k = \sqrt{\frac{P}{EI}}$$

$$EIw_c''' + Pw_c'' = 0$$

$$w_c''' + k^2 w_c'' = 0$$

Third form of potential energy

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}_1) = & \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(u'^2_0 + u'^2_1 + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_0 + w'^2_0 w'^2_1 + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_1 + 2u'_0 u'_1 + u'_0 w'^2_0 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(2u'_0 w'_0 w'_1 + u'_0 w'^2_1 + w'^2_0 u'_1 + 2w'_0 u'_1 w'_1 + \underline{u'_1 w'^2_1} \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(w'^2_0 w'_0 w'_1 + \frac{1}{2} w'^2_0 w'^2_1 + \underline{w'_0 w'_1 w'^2_1} \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EI \int_0^L \left(w''^2_0 + 2w''_0 w''_1 + w''^2_1 \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$P_o'''(\underline{u}_c, \underline{u}_c, \underline{u}_c) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EA \left(\cancel{u'_c w'^2_c} + \cancel{w'_0 w'_1 w'^2_c} \right) dx = 0 \cdot \checkmark$$

Fourth form of potential energy

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{u}_0 + \mathbf{u}_1) = & \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(u'^2_0 + u'^2_1 + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_0 + w'^2_0 w'^2_1 + \frac{1}{4} w'^4_1 + 2u'_0 u'_1 + u'_0 w'^2_0 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(2u'_0 w'_0 w'_1 + u'_0 w'^2_1 + w'^2_0 u'_1 + 2w'_0 u'_1 w'_1 + u'_1 w'^2_1 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EA \int_0^L \left(w'^2_0 w'_0 w'_1 + \frac{1}{2} w'^2_0 w'^2_1 + w'_0 w'_1 w'^2_1 \right) dx \\ & + \frac{1}{2} EI \int_0^L \left(w''^2_0 + 2w''_0 w''_1 + w''^2_1 \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$P_o^{'''}(u_c, \dot{u}_c, \ddot{u}_c, \dddot{u}_c) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L EA \frac{1}{4} w_c'''^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{stable}$$

Summary

- The equilibrium and stability equation for an Euler beam was derived
- It was demonstrated that the equilibrium equation is nonlinear
- It was demonstrated that the stability equation is linear
- A beam has a stable critical point, which indicates that the post-buckling behaviour is expected to be stable