

A short course on

# Indeterminate Structures

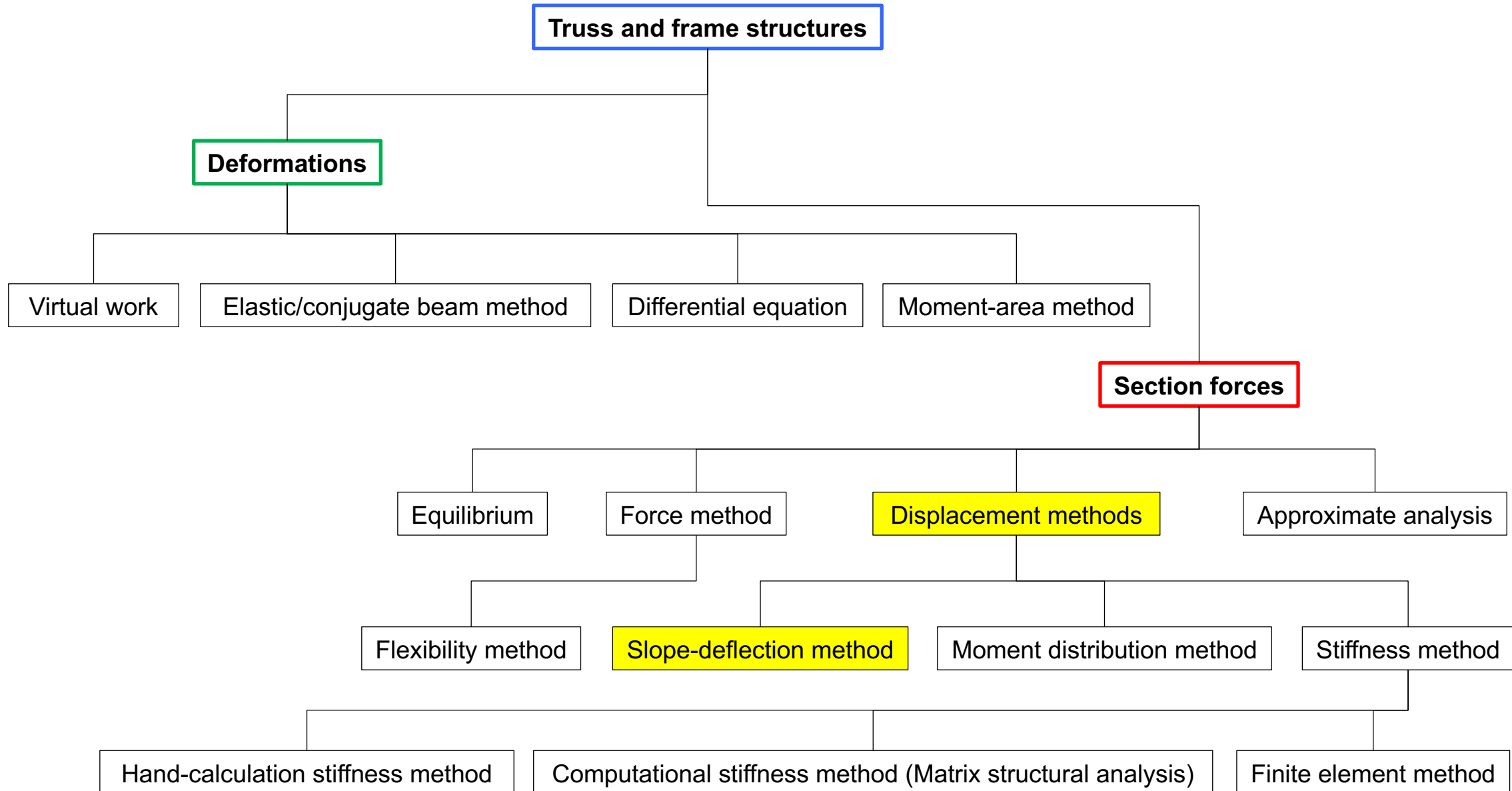
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**Slope Deflection Method**

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# Overview of Methods



# Two Worlds

## Displacement methods

Degrees of freedom (displacements and rotations) are considered unknown

Impose **equilibrium** in order to solve for the unknowns

## Force methods

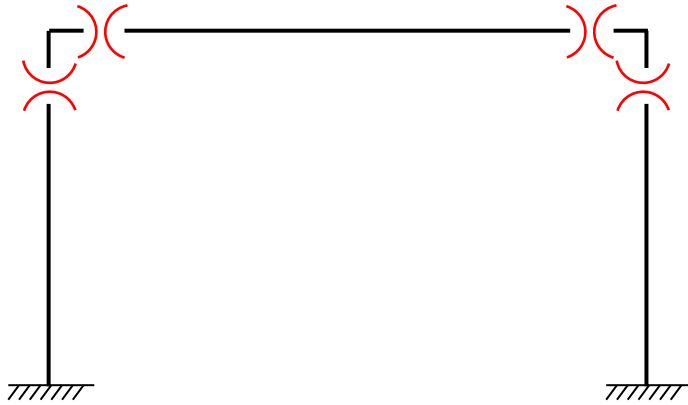
As many redundant forces as the degree of static indeterminacy are considered unknown

Impose kinematic **compatibility** in order to solve for the unknowns

# Slope Deflection Method

Establish equilibrium equations “manually” along each DOF

Rotation DOFs:



Displacement DOFs:

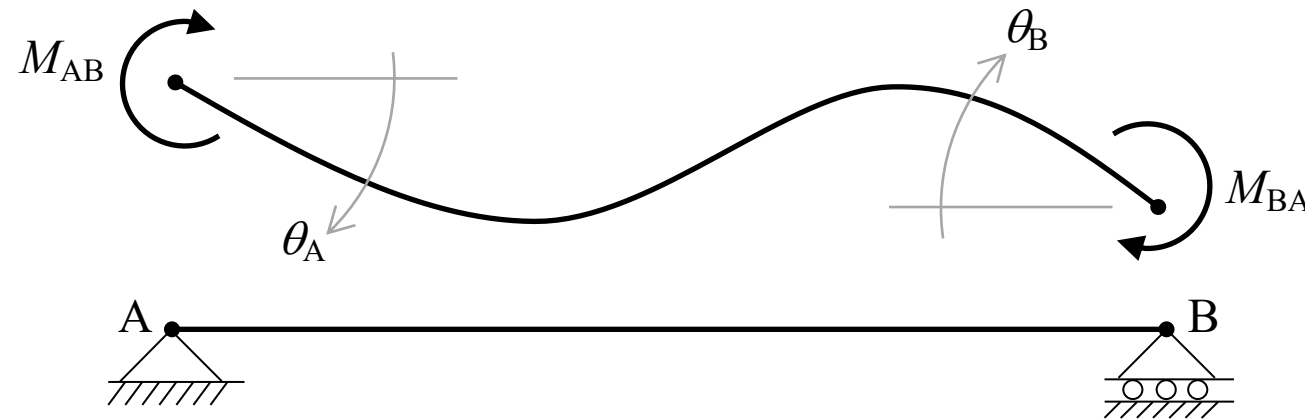


All equilibrium equations are formulated in terms of end moments

The unknowns are displacements & rotations

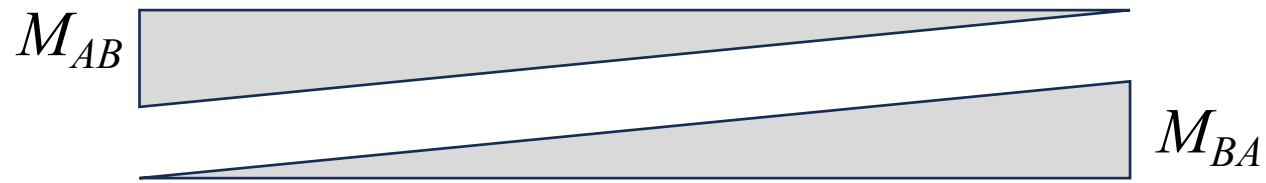
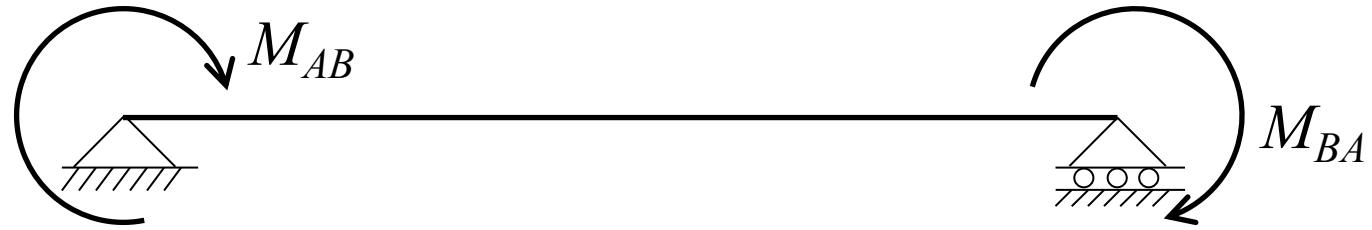
# Slope Deflection Equation

Relates end moments to displacements & rotations



# Rotations

Derivation using virtual work

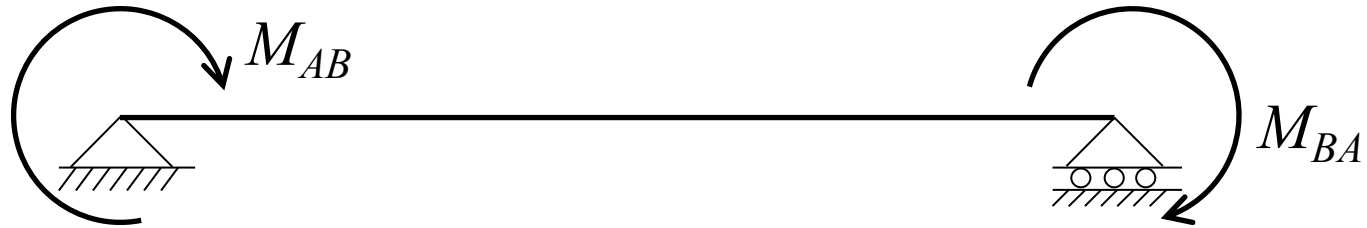


$$\theta_A = \frac{1}{3EI} \cdot 1 \cdot M_{AB} \cdot L - \frac{1}{6EI} \cdot 1 \cdot M_{BA} \cdot L$$



$$\theta_B = \frac{1}{3EI} \cdot 1 \cdot M_{BA} \cdot L - \frac{1}{6EI} \cdot 1 \cdot M_{AB} \cdot L$$

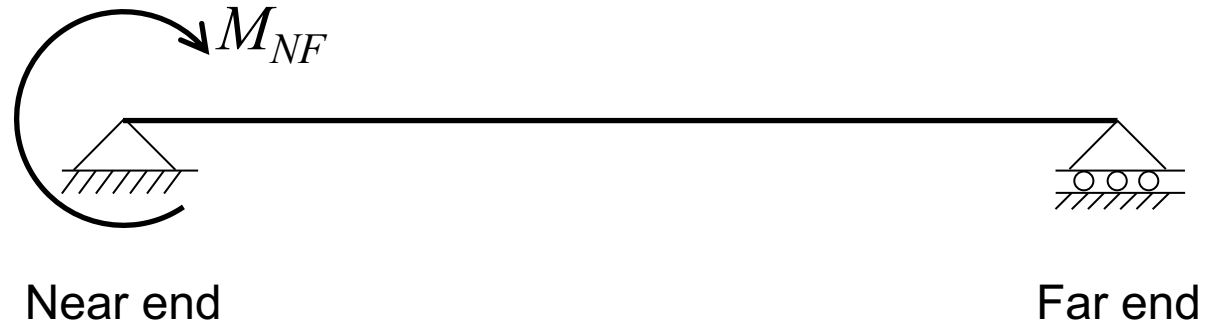
# Solve for End Moments



$$M_{AB} = \frac{4EI}{L}\theta_A + \frac{2EI}{L}\theta_B = \frac{2EI}{L} \cdot (2\theta_A + \theta_B)$$

$$M_{BA} = \frac{4EI}{L}\theta_B + \frac{2EI}{L}\theta_A = \frac{2EI}{L} \cdot (2\theta_B + \theta_A)$$

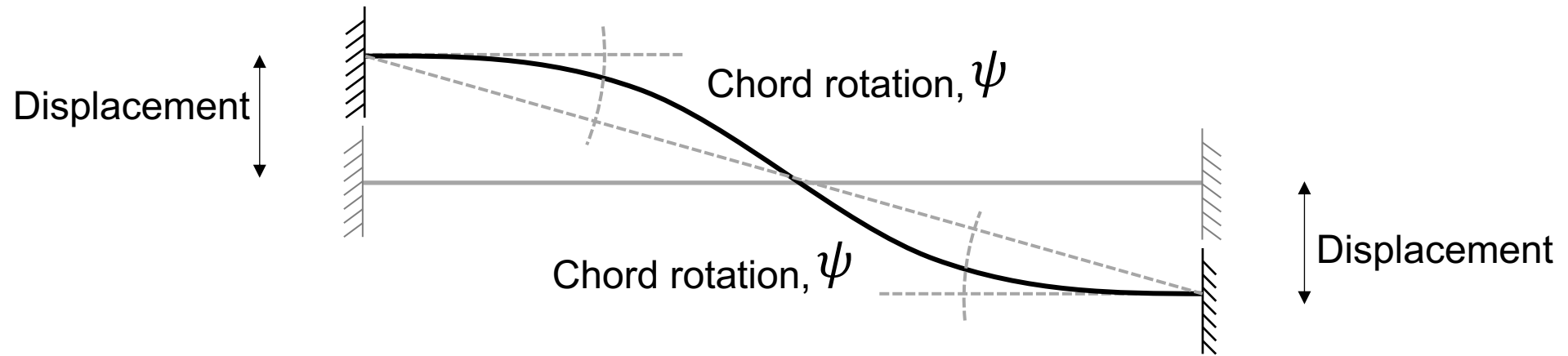
# Generalized Notation



$$M_{NF} = \frac{2EI}{L} (2\theta_N + \theta_F)$$



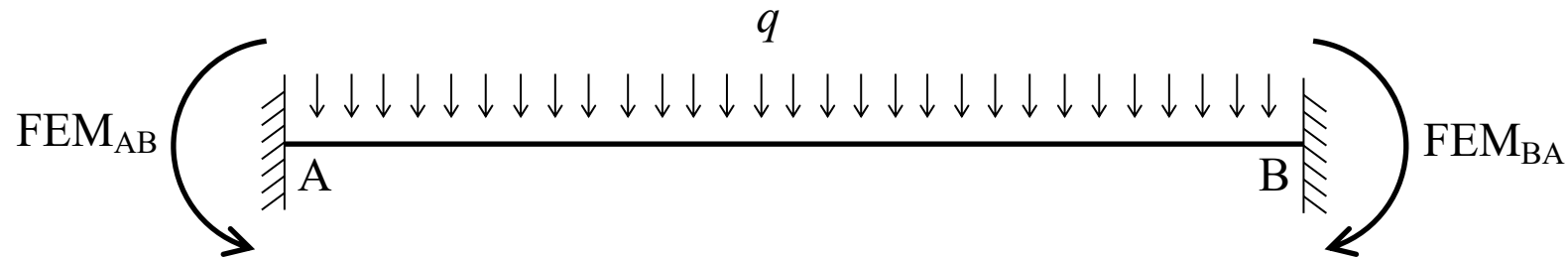
# Displacements



$$M_{NF} = \frac{2EI}{L} (2\theta_N + \theta_F) = \frac{2EI}{L} (2(-\psi) + (-\psi)) = -\frac{2EI}{L} \cdot 3\psi$$

# An additional source of end moments

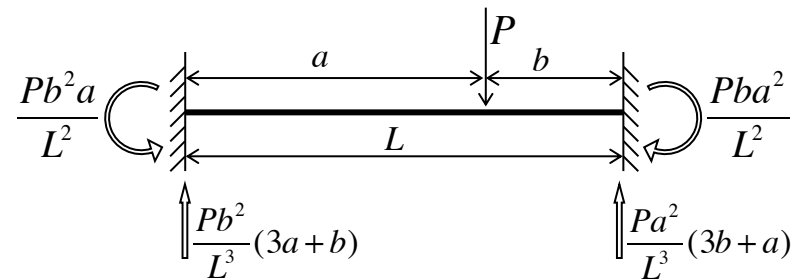
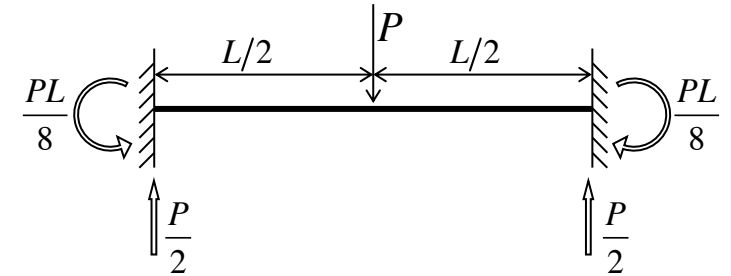
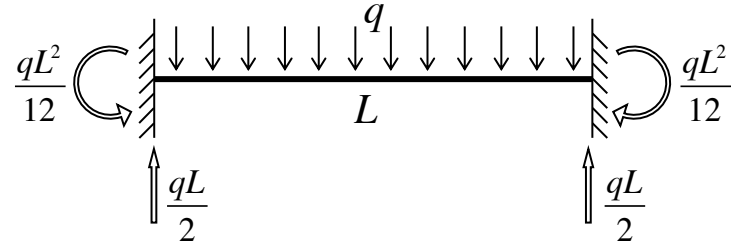
Fixed-end moments (FEM) from loading



Final slope deflection equation:

$$M_{NF} = \frac{2EI}{L} (2\theta_N + \theta_F - 3\psi) + FEM_{NF}$$

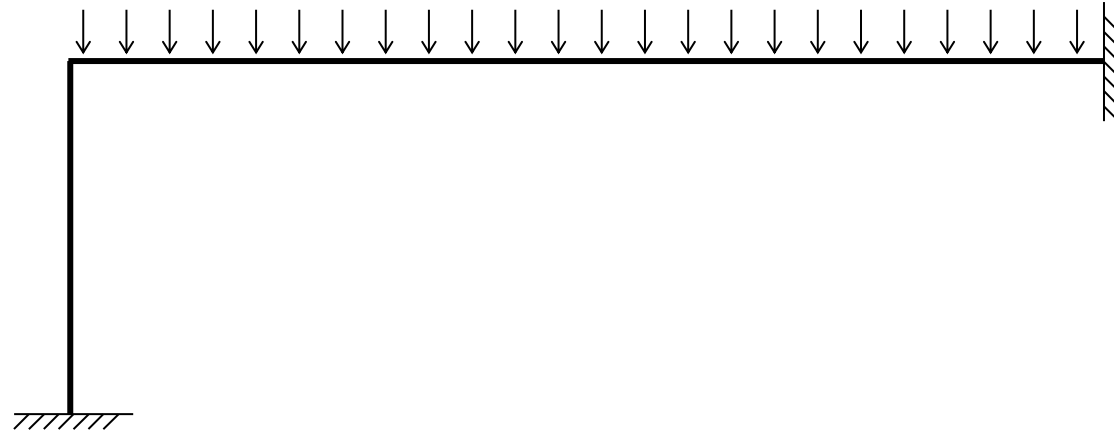
# Formula Sheet



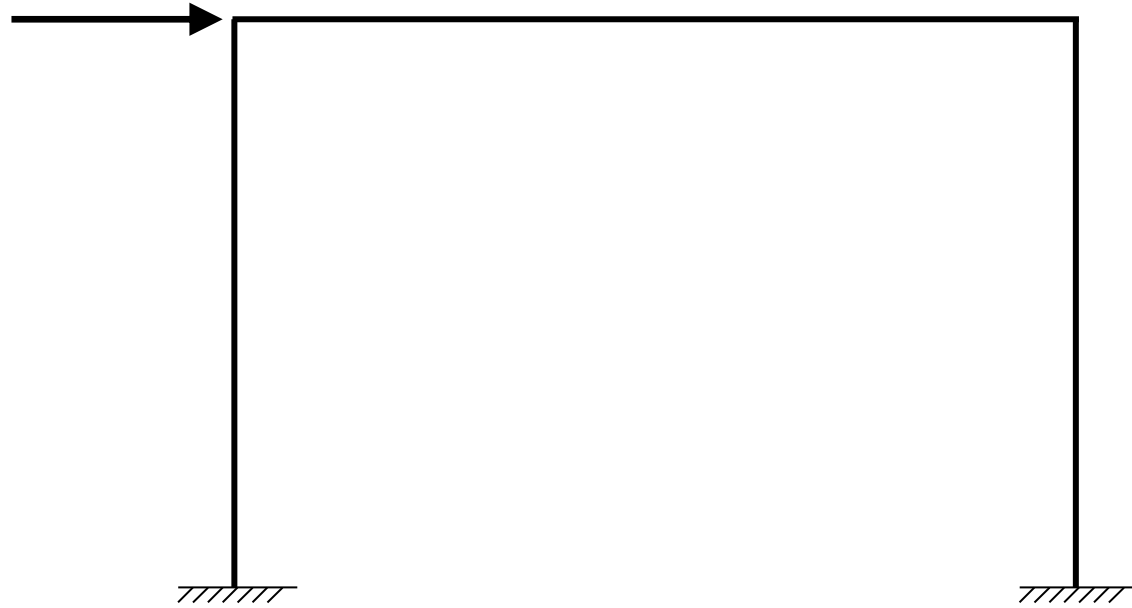
# Procedure

1. Identify the **degrees of freedom**, i.e., the unknown displacements and rotations
2. Establish **equilibrium** equations in terms of **end moments**
3. Substitute **slope-deflection equation** for end moments
4. **Solve** for the unknown displacements and rotations
5. Substitute displacements and rotations into **slope-deflection equation** to get end moments
6. Draw **bending moment diagram** between known **end moments**

# Example



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