

A geometric approach in computational stability analysis

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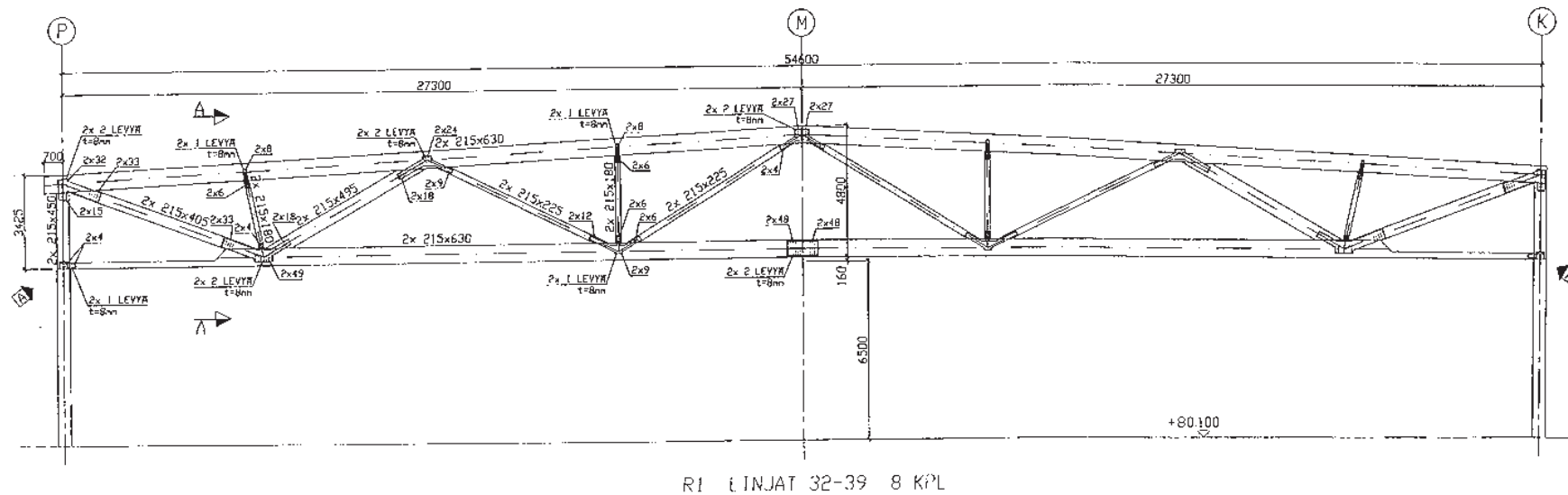
- Starting point
- The question of relevant buckling **mode**
- Stability eigenvalue problem
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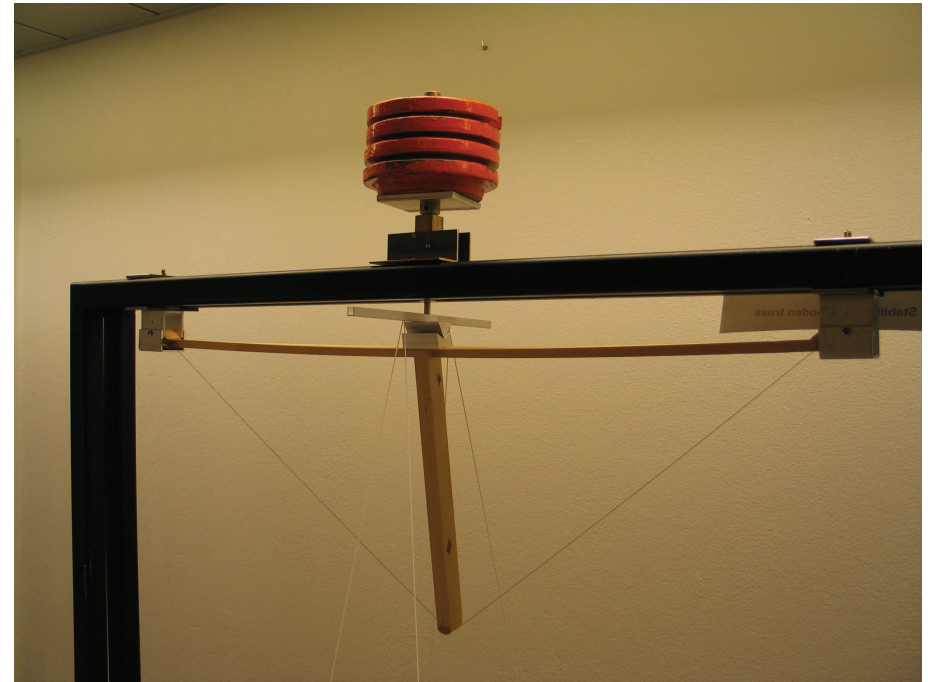
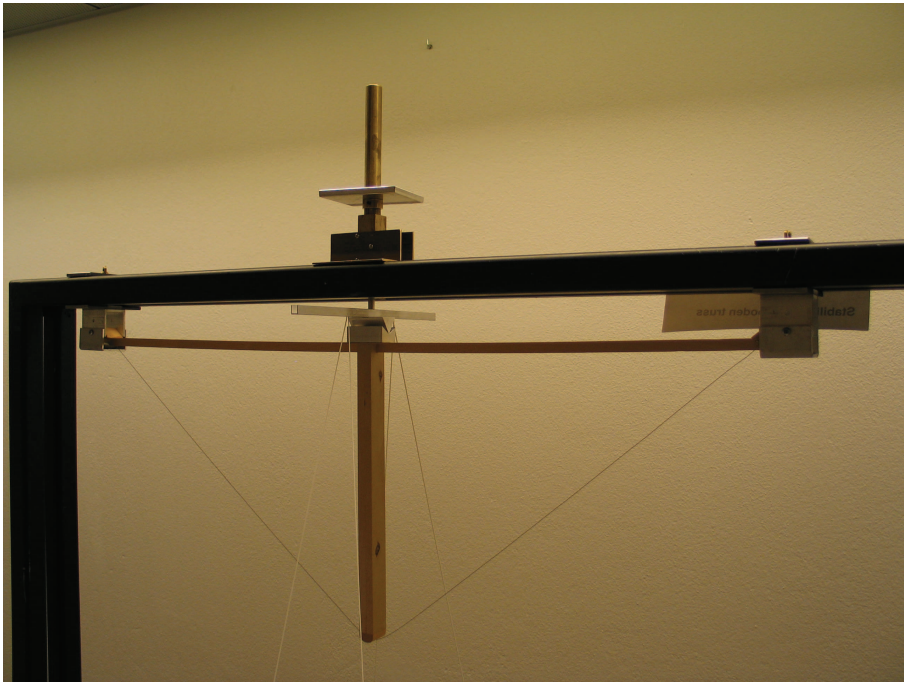
Collapse of Jyväskylä Fair Center roof

1st of Feb 2003



The questions

- What are the relevant buckling modes?
- Can they be adequately analysed by common computational tools?
- If not, how to analyse?



Stability eigenvalue problem

Definition for critical state: Find displacements $\mathbf{q}_{\text{cr}}$, critical load λ_{cr} and the corresponding eigenmode ϕ such, that

$$\mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{q}_{\text{cr}}, \lambda_{\text{cr}})\phi = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}_{\text{cr}}, \lambda_{\text{cr}}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{f}' = \partial \mathbf{f} / \partial \mathbf{q}$. The non-linear mapping $\mathbf{f}$ defines the equilibrium path in the displacement $\mathbf{q}$ and load parameter λ space:

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{q}, \lambda) \equiv \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{q}) - \lambda \mathbf{p}_r(\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{0} \quad (2)$$

and constitutes the balance between internal- and external forces.

System (1) is a non-linear eigenvalue problem, which is **HARD TO SOLVE!**

Polynomial eigenvalue problem

Expanding the nl-ev-problem into Taylor's series wrt the state $(\mathbf{q}_*, \lambda_*)$

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q}_* + \Delta\lambda\mathbf{q}_1 + \frac{1}{2}(\Delta\lambda)^2\mathbf{q}_2 + \cdots$$

results in a polynomial ev-problem:

$$(\mathbf{K}_{0|*} + \Delta\lambda\mathbf{K}_{1|*} + \frac{1}{2}(\Delta\lambda)^2\mathbf{K}_{2|*} + \cdots) \phi = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{0|*} = \mathbf{f}'_*,$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{1|*} = \left. \frac{d\mathbf{f}}{d\lambda} \right|_* = \mathbf{f}''_*\mathbf{q}_1 + \dot{\mathbf{f}}'_*, \quad \dot{\mathbf{f}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial \lambda},$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{2|*} = \left. \frac{d^2 \mathbf{f}}{d\lambda^2} \right|_* = \mathbf{f}''_*\mathbf{q}_2 + \mathbf{f}'''_*\mathbf{q}_1\mathbf{q}_1 + 2\dot{\mathbf{f}}''_*\mathbf{q}_1 + \ddot{\mathbf{f}}'_*$$

Linear stability eigenvalue problem

In the linear stability eigenvalue analysis the reference state is usually the initial state: $(\mathbf{q}_*, \lambda_*) = (\mathbf{0}, 0)$.¹ The eigenvalue problem to be solved is

$$(\mathbf{K}_{0|0} + \lambda \mathbf{K}_{1|0}) \phi = \mathbf{0}$$

where the matrices are (assuming dead weight loading, i.e. $\dot{\mathbf{f}}' \equiv \mathbf{0}$)

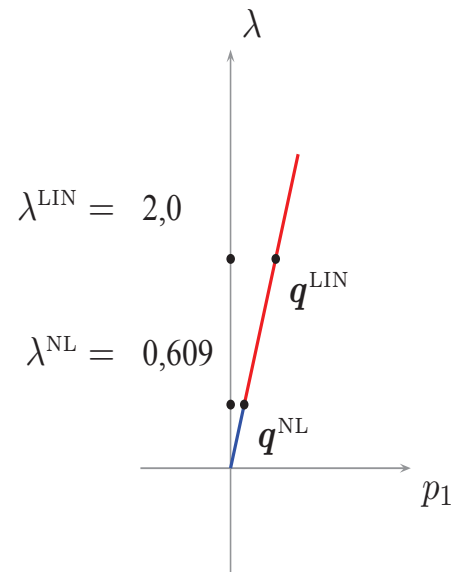
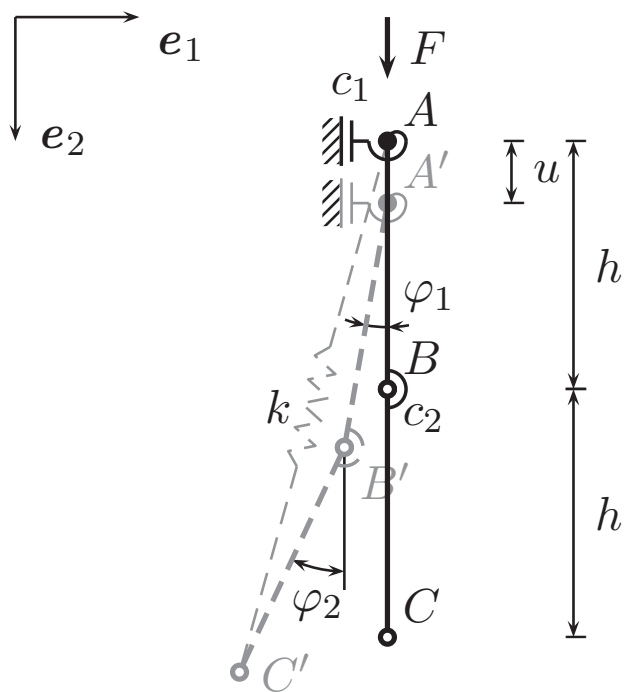
$$\mathbf{K}_{0|0} = \mathbf{f}'(\mathbf{0}, 0), \quad \mathbf{K}_{1|0} = \mathbf{f}''(\mathbf{0}, 0) \mathbf{q}_1,$$

and the pre-buckling displacement field, $\mathbf{q}_1$, is solved from $\mathbf{K}_{0|0} \mathbf{q}_1 = \mathbf{p}_r$.

Simple to solve, but **CAN THE SOLUTION BE COMPLETELY USELESS!**

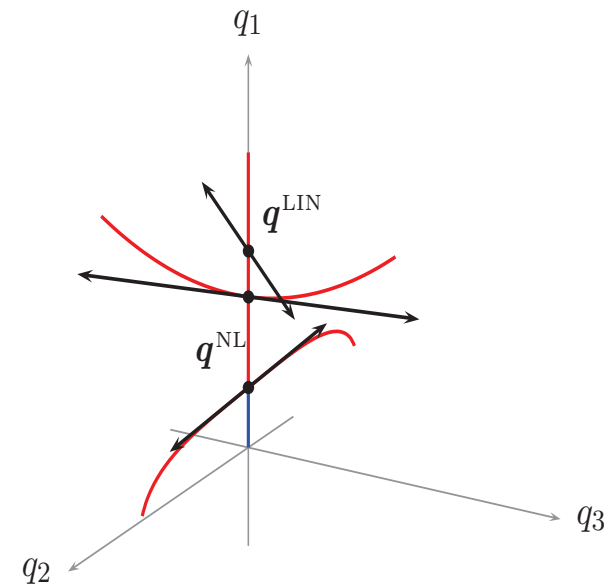
¹This is usually the case in commercial FE software.

Simple example - state space



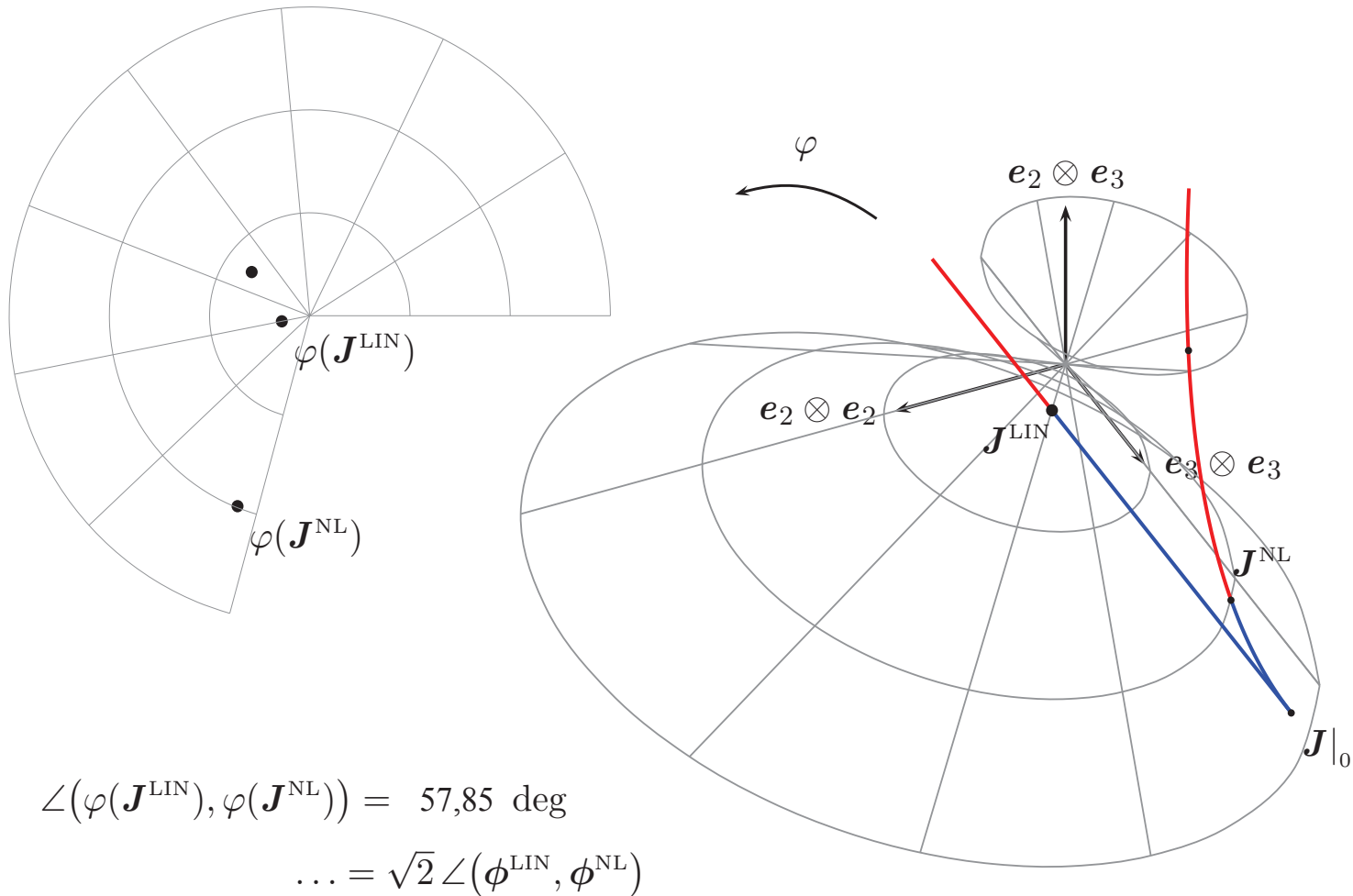
$$\frac{\lambda^{\text{NL}} - \lambda^{\text{LIN}}}{\lambda^{\text{NL}}} = -2,281$$

$$1 - |\langle \phi^{\text{LIN}}, \phi^{\text{NL}} \rangle| = 0,2442$$

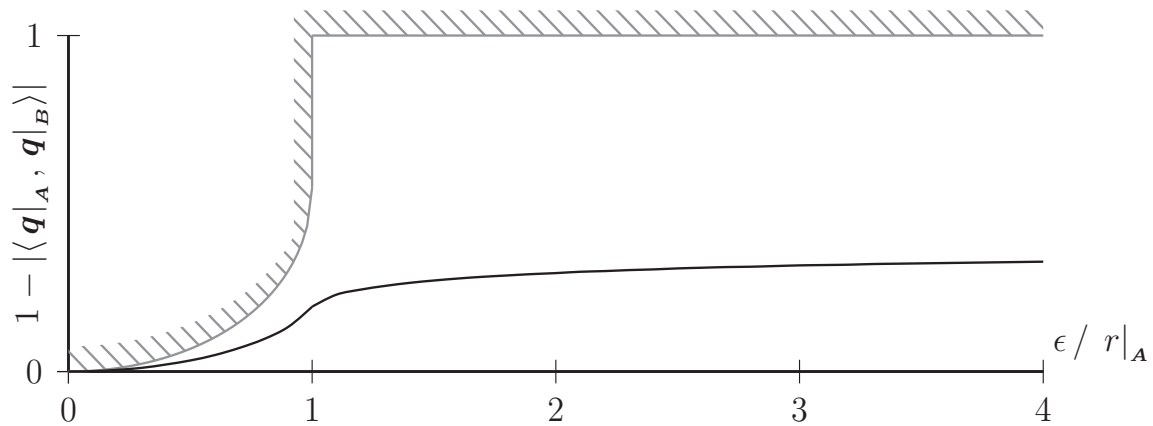
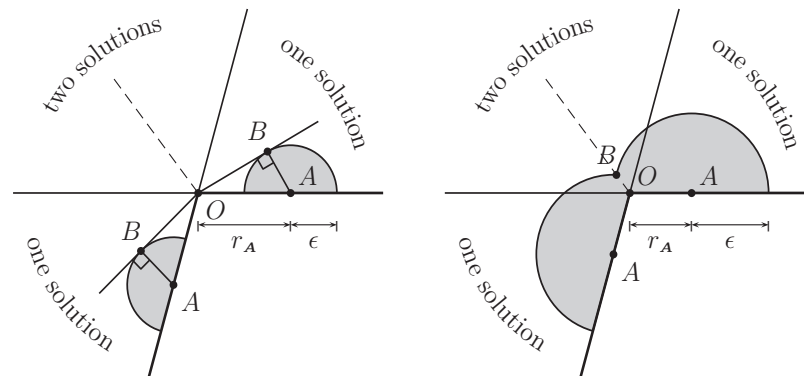


$$\angle(\phi^{\text{LIN}}, \phi^{\text{NL}}) = 40,9 \text{ deg}$$

Simple example - criticality manifold



Error in the eigenmode



Concluding remarks

- Estimation of the error in the buckling mode
- Generalization of the error estimate to a general n -dimensional case
- Practical implications