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### ➤ Single point constraint examples

$$u_{x4} = 0$$

*linear, homogeneous*

$$u_{y9} = 0.6$$

*linear, non-homogeneous*

### ➤ Multi-Point constraint examples

$$u_{x2} = \frac{1}{2}u_{y2}$$

*linear, homogeneous*

$$u_{x2} - 2u_{x4} + u_{x6} = 0.25$$

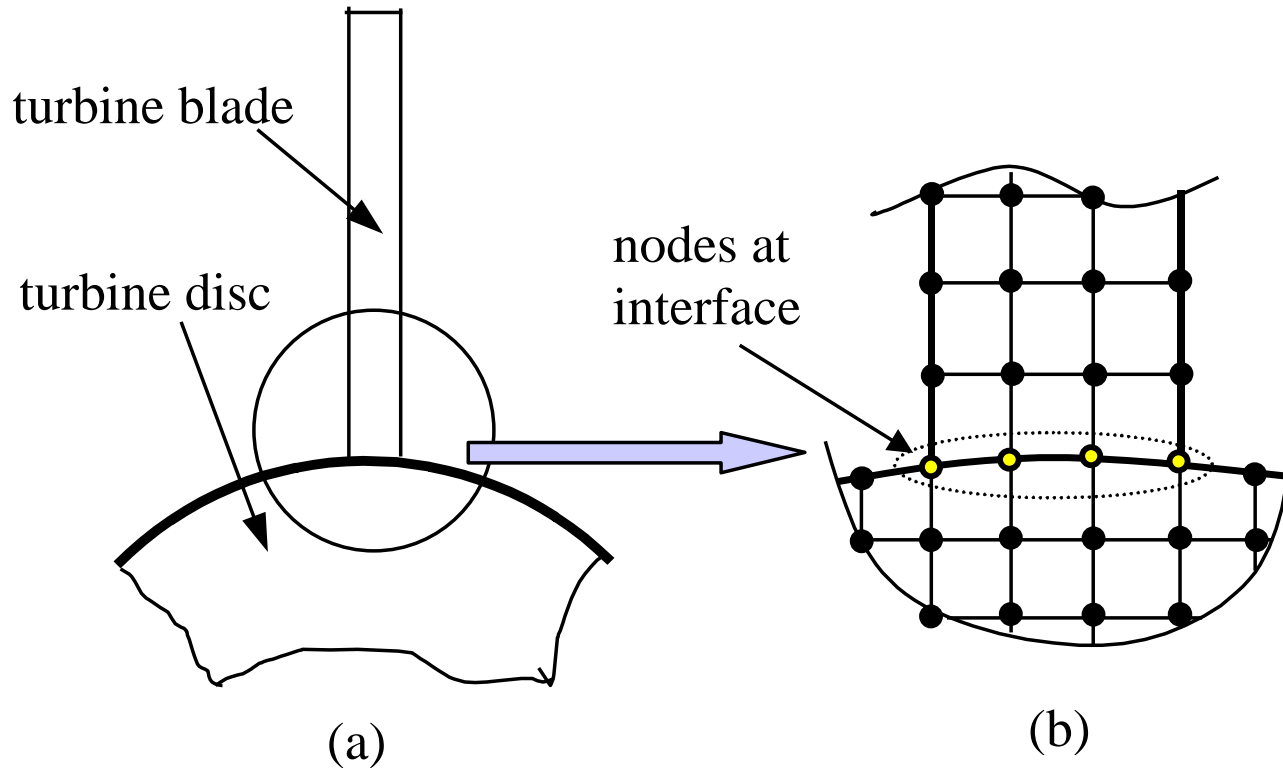
*linear, non-homogeneous*

$$(x_5 + u_{x5} - x_3 - u_{x3})^2 + (y_5 + u_{y5} - y_3 - u_{y3})^2 = 0$$

*nonlinear, homogeneous*

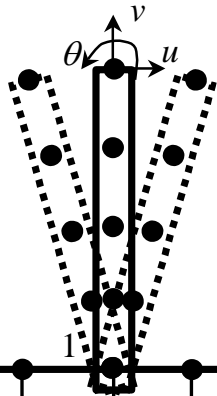
## ❖ Modelling of joints

Perfect connection ensured here

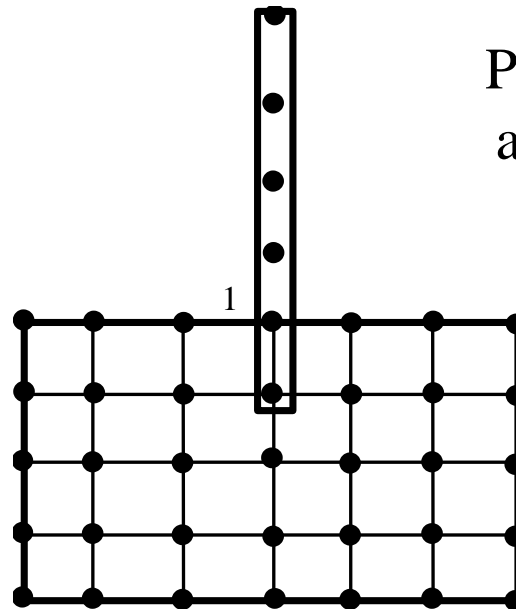
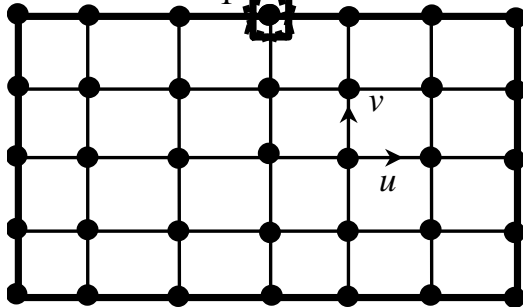


# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

## ❖ Modelling of joints



Mismatch between DOFs of beams and 2D solid – beam is free to rotate (rotation not transmitted to 2D solid)



Perfect connection by artificially extending beam into 2D solid (Additional mass)

## ❖ Modelling of joints

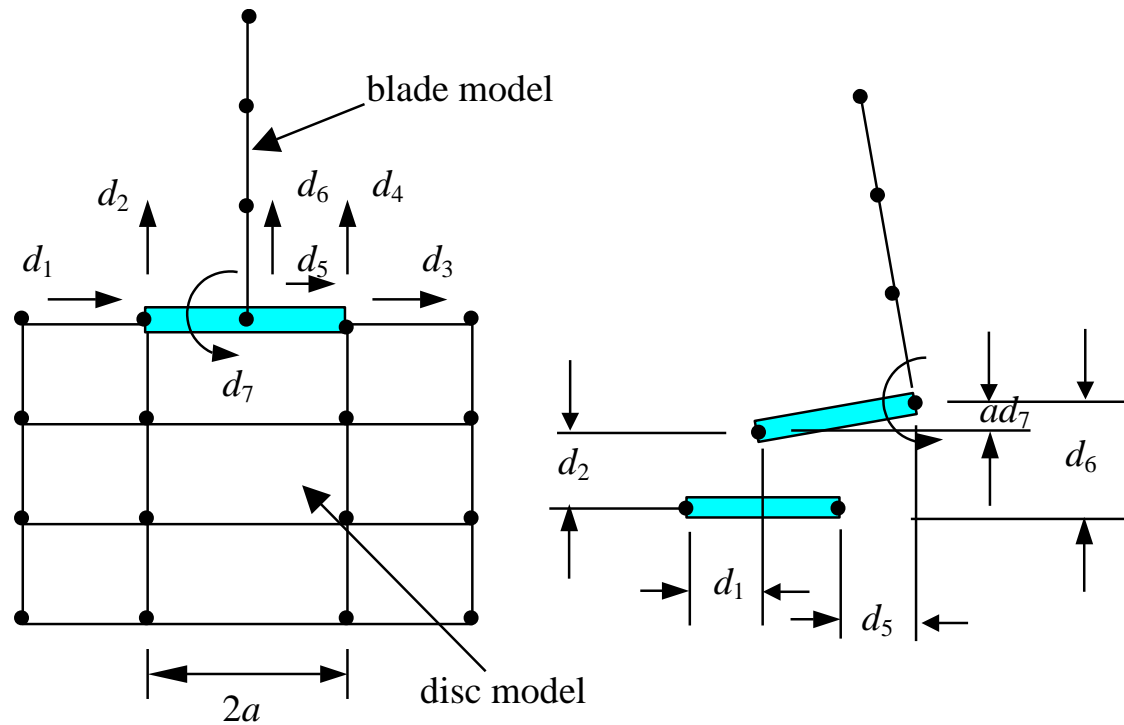
- Using MPC equations

$$d_1 = d_5$$

$$d_2 = d_6 - ad_7$$

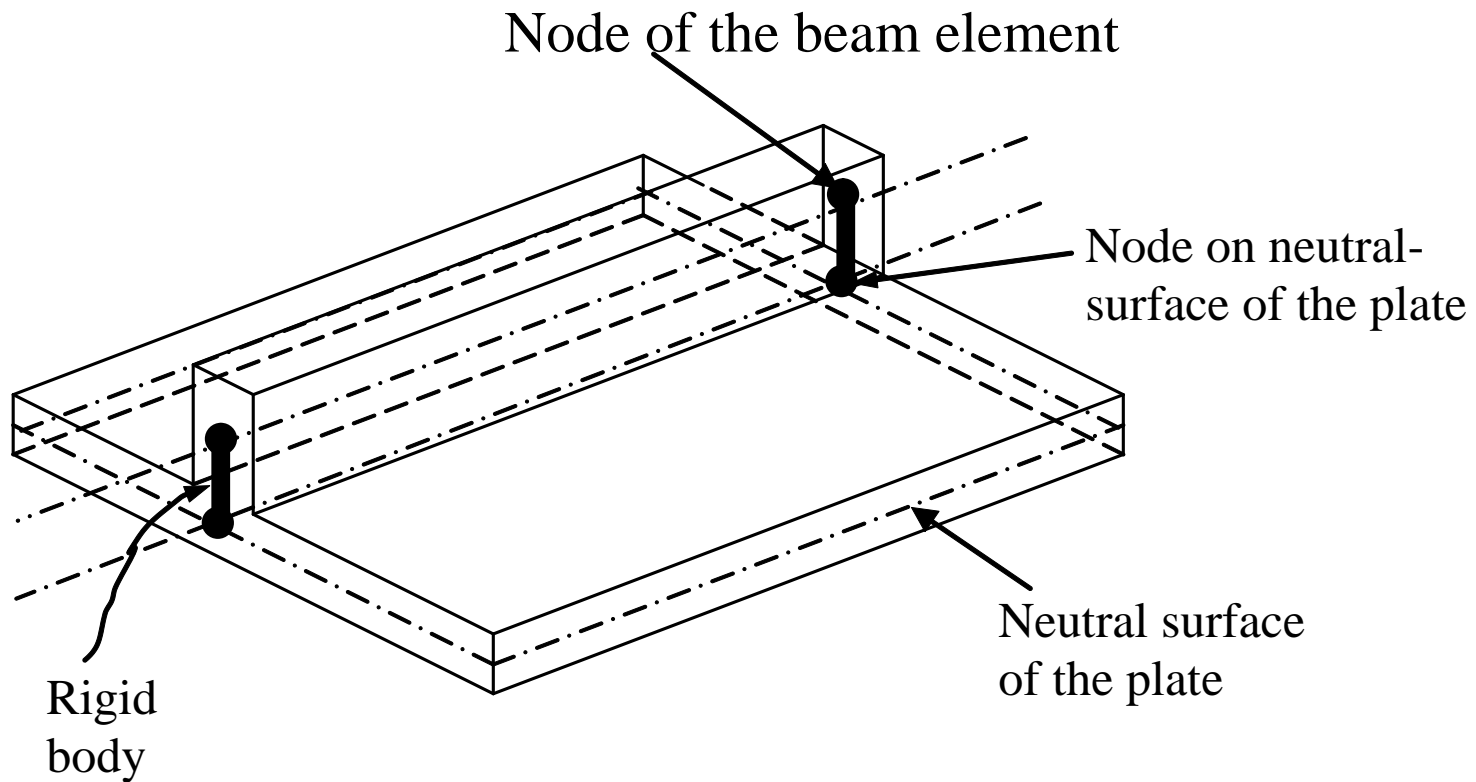
$$d_3 = d_5$$

$$d_4 = d_6 + ad_7$$

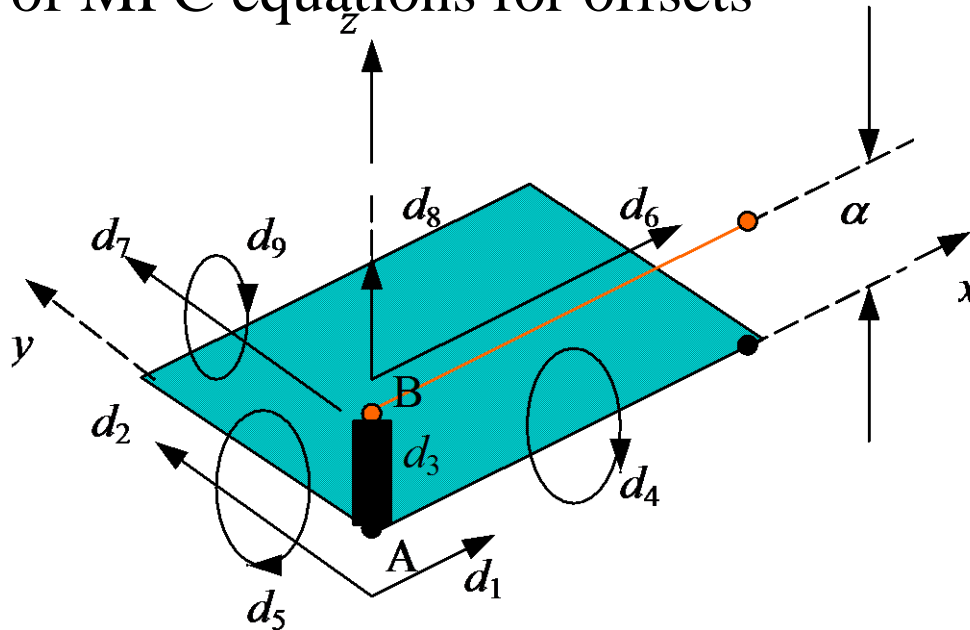


# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

- ❖ Creation of MPC equations for offsets



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$$d_6 = d_1 + \alpha d_5 \quad \text{or} \quad d_1 + \alpha d_5 - d_6 = 0$$

$$d_7 = d_2 - \alpha d_4 \quad \text{or} \quad d_2 - \alpha d_4 - d_7 = 0$$

$$d_8 = d_3 \quad \text{or} \quad d_3 - d_8 = 0$$

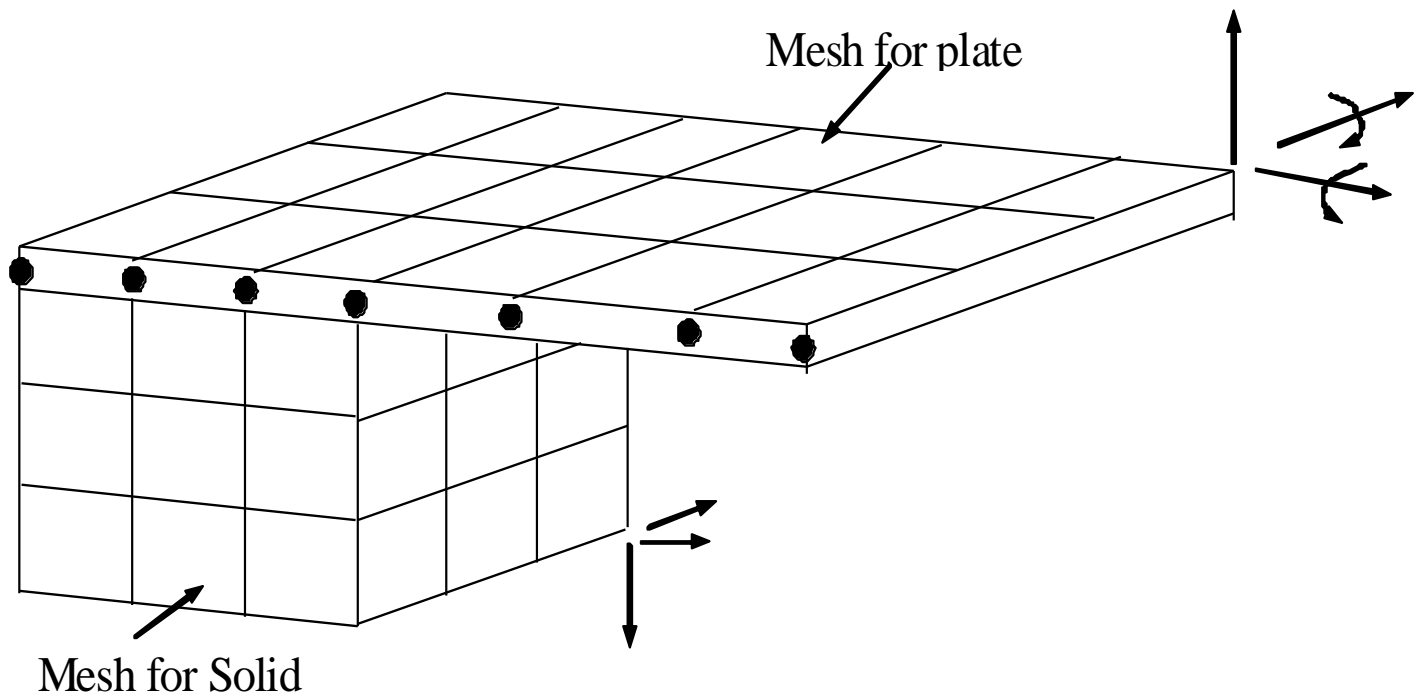
$$d_9 = d_5 \quad \text{or} \quad d_5 - d_9 = 0$$



# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

## ❖ Modelling of joints

Similar for plate connected to 3D solid





# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

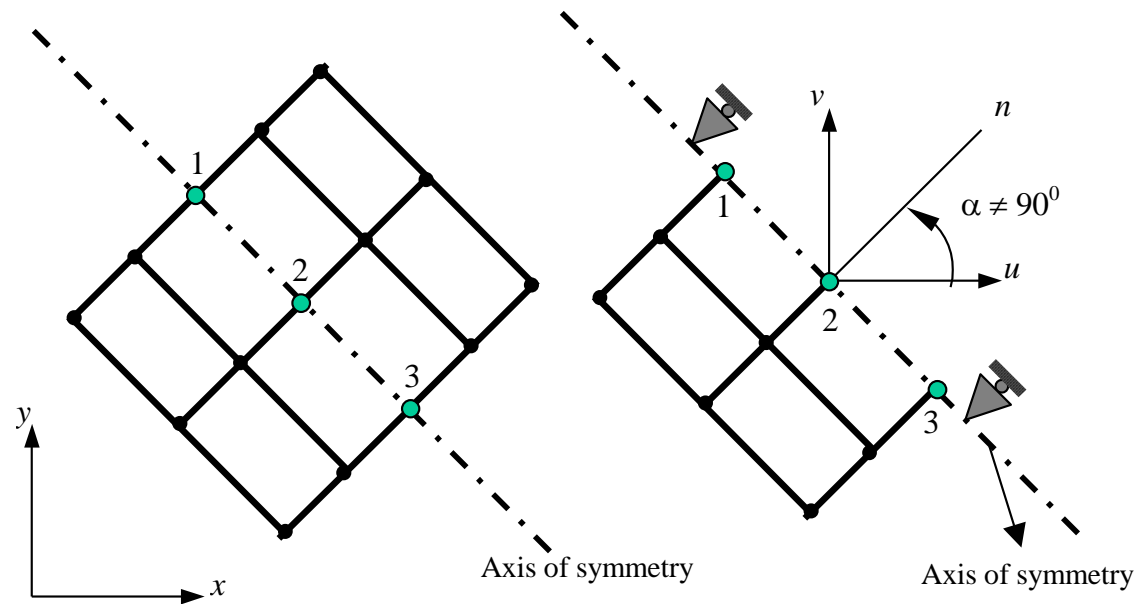
## ❖ Modelling of symmetric boundary conditions

$$d_n = 0$$

$$u_i \cos\alpha + v_i \sin\alpha = 0$$

$$\text{or } u_i + v_i \tan\alpha = 0$$

for  $i=1, 2, 3$



## ❖ Enforcement of mesh compatibility

Use lower order shape function to interpolate

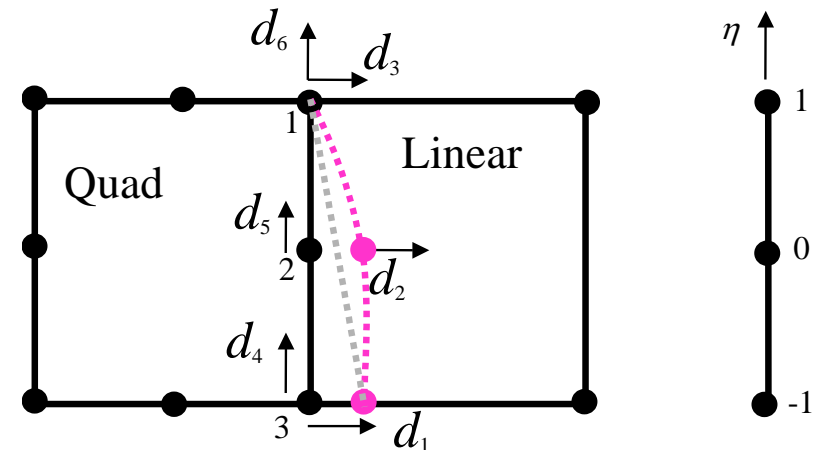
$$d_x = 0.5(1-\eta) d_1 + 0.5(1+\eta) d_3$$

$$d_y = 0.5(1-\eta) d_4 + 0.5(1+\eta) d_6$$

Substitute value of  $\eta$  at node 2

$$0.5 d_1 - d_2 + 0.5 d_3 = 0$$

$$0.5 d_4 - d_5 + 0.5 d_6 = 0$$



# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

## ❖ Enforcement of mesh compatibility

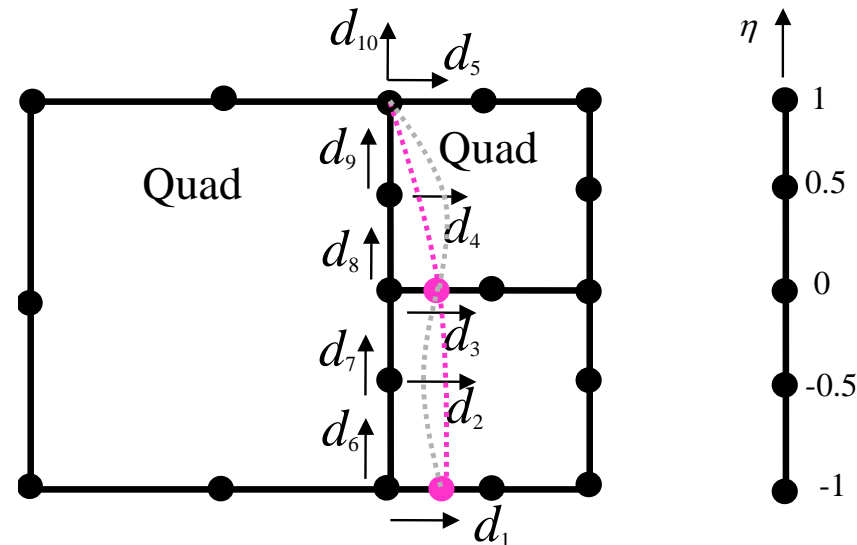
Use shape function of longer element to interpolate

$$d_x = -0.5\eta(1-\eta)d_1 + (1+\eta)(1-\eta)d_3 + 0.5\eta(1+\eta)d_5$$

Substituting the values of  $\eta$  for the two additional nodes

$$d_2 = 0.25 \times 1.5 d_1 + 1.5 \times 0.5 d_3 - 0.25 \times 0.5 d_5$$

$$d_4 = -0.25 \times 0.5 d_1 + 0.5 \times 1.5 d_3 + 0.25 \times 1.5 d_5$$



# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

## ❖ Enforcement of mesh compatibility

In  $x$  direction,

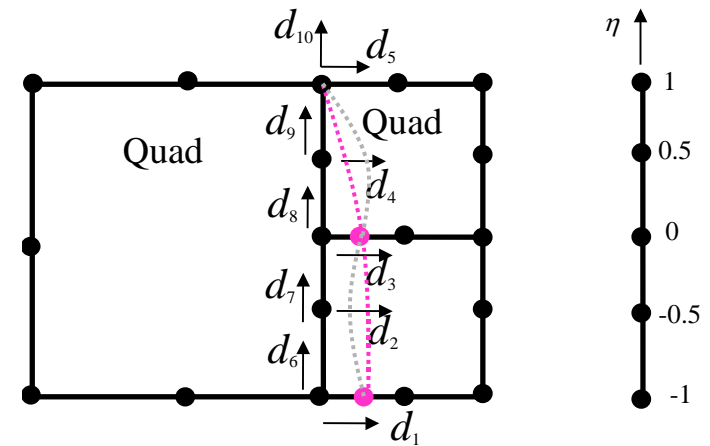
$$0.375 d_1 - d_2 + 0.75 d_3 - 0.125 d_5 = 0$$

$$-0.125 d_1 + 0.75 d_3 - d_4 + 0.375 d_5 = 0$$

In  $y$  direction,

$$0.375 d_6 - d_7 + 0.75 d_8 - 0.125 d_{10} = 0$$

$$-0.125 d_6 + 0.75 d_8 - d_9 + 0.375 d_{10} = 0$$



# Multi-Point Constraints (Example)

## ❖ Modelling of constraints by rigid body attachment

$$d_1 = q_1$$

$$d_2 = q_1 + q_2 l_1$$

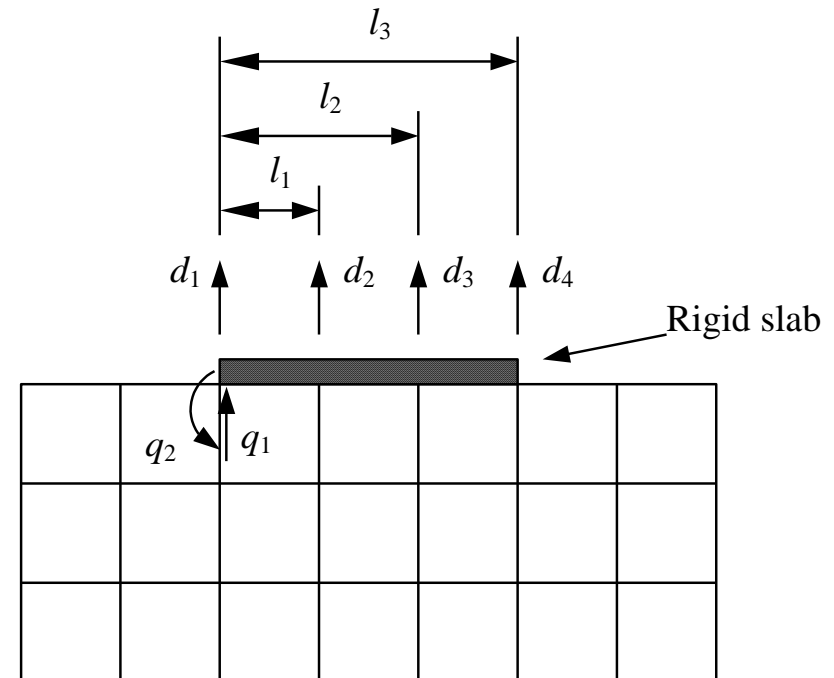
$$d_3 = q_1 + q_2 l_2$$

$$d_4 = q_1 + q_2 l_3$$

Eliminate  $q_1$  and  $q_2$

$$(l_2 / l_1 - 1) d_1 - (l_2 / l_1) d_2 + d_3 = 0$$

$$(l_3 / l_1 - 1) d_1 - (l_3 / l_1) d_2 + d_4 = 0$$



(DOF in  $x$  direction not considered)



# Multi-Point Constraints

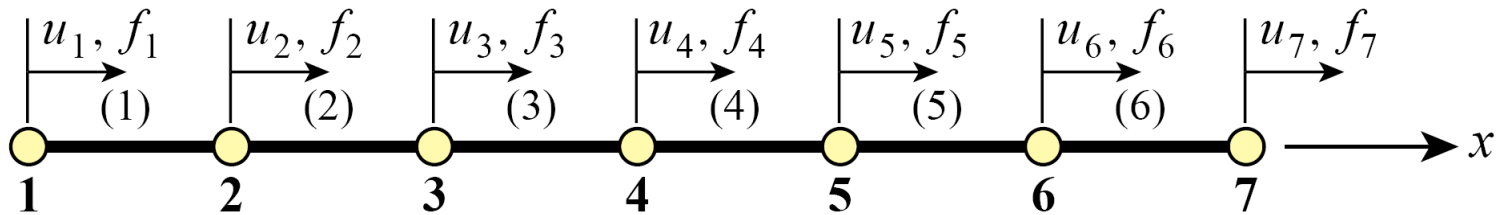
- ❖ Sources of Multi-Point Constraints
  - Skew displacement BCs
  - Coupling nonmatched FEM meshes
  - Global-local and multiscale analysis
  - Incompressibility



# Multi-Point Constraints

- ❖ MPC Application Methods
  - Master-Slave Elimination
  - Penalty Function Augmentation
  - Lagrange Multiplier Adjunction

## ❖ Example 1D Structure to Illustrate MPCs



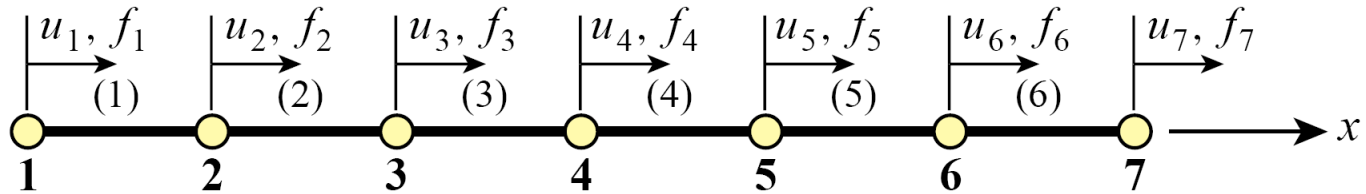
Multi-Point constraint:

$$u_2 = u_6 \quad \text{or} \quad u_2 - u_6 = 0$$

Linear homogeneous MPC



## ❖ Example 1D Structure to Illustrate MPCs



### Unconstrained master stiffness equations

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77}
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 u_5 \\
 u_6 \\
 u_7
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_1 \\
 f_2 \\
 f_3 \\
 f_4 \\
 f_5 \\
 f_6 \\
 f_7
 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Ku} = \mathbf{f}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Master Slave Method for Example Structure

Recall:  $u_2 = u_6$  or  $u_2 - u_6 = 0$

Taking  $u$  as master:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T}\hat{\mathbf{u}}.$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Forming the Modified Stiffness Equations

Unconstrained master stiffness equations:

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$$

Master-slave transformation:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T}\hat{\mathbf{u}}$$

Congruential transformation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{T}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{f}$$

Modified stiffness equations:

$$\hat{\mathbf{K}}\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Modified Stiffness Equations for Example Structure

$u_2$  as master and  $u_6$  as slave DOF.

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{22} + K_{66} & K_{23} & 0 & K_{56} & K_{67} \\ 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{56} & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{67} & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{77} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 + f_6 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 \\ f_7 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Modified Stiffness Equations for Example Structure

$u_6$  as master and  $u_2$  as slave DOF.

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & K_{23} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{23} & 0 & K_{56} & K_{22} + K_{66} & K_{67} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 \\ f_2 + f_6 \\ f_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Although they are algebraically equivalent, the latter would be processed faster if a skyline solver is used for the modified equations.



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Multiple MPCs

Suppose

$$u_2 - u_6 = 0, \quad u_1 + 4u_4 = 0, \quad 2u_3 + u_4 + u_5 = 0$$

take 3, 4 and 6 as slaves:

$$u_6 = u_2, \quad u_4 = -\frac{1}{4}u_1, \quad u_3 = -\frac{1}{2}(u_4 + u_5) = \frac{1}{8}u_1 - \frac{1}{2}u_5$$

and put in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Nonhomogeneous MPCs

$$u_2 - u_6 = 0.2$$

In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T}\hat{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{g}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## ❖ Nonhomogeneous MPCs

modified system:  $\hat{\mathbf{K}} \hat{\mathbf{u}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}$

in which:  $\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{T}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{f} - \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{g}$

For the example structure

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{22} + K_{66} & K_{23} & 0 & K_{56} & K_{67} \\ 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{56} & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & 0 \\ 0 & K_{67} & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{77} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 + f_6 - 0.2K_{66} \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 - 0.2K_{56} \\ f_7 - 0.2K_{67} \end{bmatrix}$$



## ❖ The General Case of MPCs

For implementation in general-purpose programs the master-slave method can be described as follows. The degrees of freedoms in  $\mathbf{u}$  are classified into three types: independent or uncommitted, masters and slaves.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{uu} & \mathbf{K}_{um} & \mathbf{K}_{us} \\ \mathbf{K}_{um}^T & \mathbf{K}_{mm} & \mathbf{K}_{ms} \\ \mathbf{K}_{us}^T & \mathbf{K}_{ms}^T & \mathbf{K}_{ss} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_u \\ \mathbf{u}_m \\ \mathbf{u}_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_u \\ \mathbf{f}_m \\ \mathbf{f}_s \end{bmatrix}$$

The MPCs may be written in matrix form as

$$\mathbf{A}_m \mathbf{u}_m + \mathbf{A}_s \mathbf{u}_s = \mathbf{g} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{u}_s = -\mathbf{A}_s^{-1} \mathbf{A}_m \mathbf{u}_m + \mathbf{A}_s^{-1} \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{u}_m + \mathbf{g}$$

Inserting into the partitioned stiffness matrix and symmetrizing

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{uu} & \mathbf{K}_{um} \mathbf{T} \\ \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{K}_{um}^T & \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{K}_{mm} \mathbf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_u \\ \mathbf{u}_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_u - \mathbf{K}_{us} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{f}_m - \mathbf{K}_{ms} \mathbf{g} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Master Slave Method

## Assessment of Master-Slave Method

### ❖ ADVANTAGES

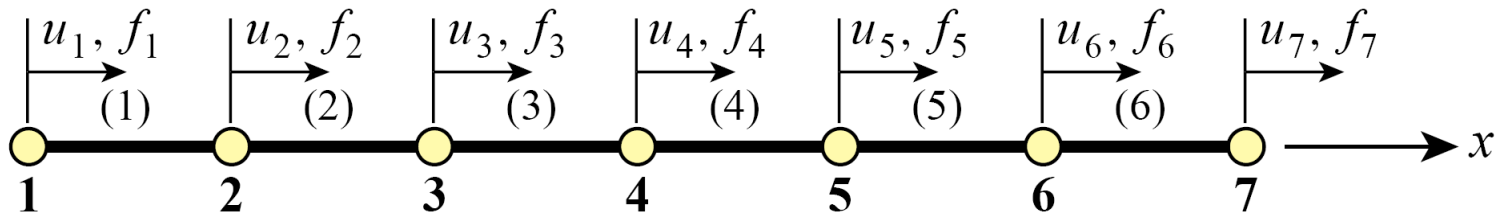
- exact if precautions taken
- easy to understand
- retains positive definiteness
- important applications to model reduction

### ❖ DISADVANTAGES

- requires user decisions
- messy implementation for general MPCs
- sensitive to constraint dependence
- restricted to linear constraints

## ❖ Penalty Function Method, Physical Interpretation

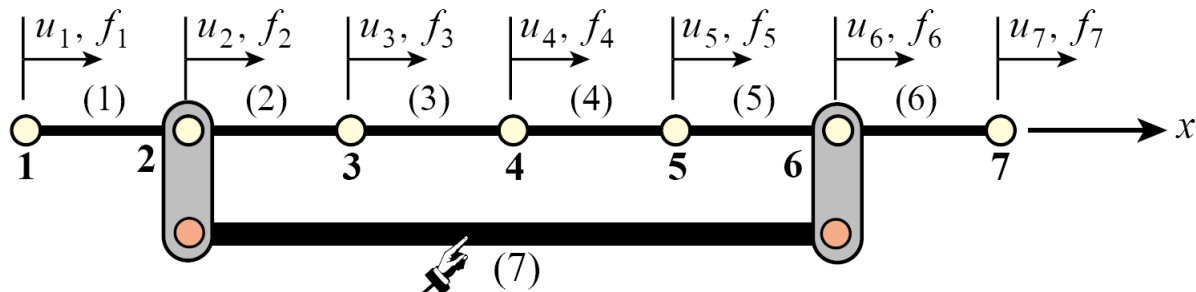
Recall the example structure



under the homogeneous MPC

$$u_2 = u_6$$

## ❖ Penalty Function Method, Physical Interpretation



"penalty element" of axial rigidity  $w$

$$w \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_2 \\ u_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_2^{(7)} \\ f_6^{(7)} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Penalty Function Method

## ❖ Penalty Function Method, Physical Interpretation

Upon merging the penalty element the modified stiffness equations are

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{22} + w & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & -w & 0 \\ 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 \\ 0 & -w & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} + w & K_{67} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 \\ f_6 \\ f_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

This modified system is submitted to the equation solver.

Note that  $\mathbf{u}$  retains the same arrangement of DOFs.



# Multi-Point Constraints- Penalty Function Method

## ❖ Penalty Function Method - General MPCs

$$3u_3 + u_5 - 4u_6 = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad [3 \quad 1 \quad -4] \begin{bmatrix} u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

Premultiply both sides by  $[3 \quad 1 \quad -4]^T$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9 & 3 & -12 \\ 3 & 1 & -4 \\ -12 & -4 & 16 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_3 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Scale by  $w$  and merge:

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} + 9w & K_{34} & 3w & -12w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3w & K_{45} & K_{55} + w & K_{56} - 4w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -12w & 0 & K_{56} - 4w & K_{66} + 16w & K_{67} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 + 3w \\ f_4 \\ f_5 + w \\ f_6 - 4w \\ f_7 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Penalty Function Method

## ❖ Theory of Penalty Function Method - General MPCs

$$\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{Q} \quad (\text{Constrain equations})$$

$$\Pi_p = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{K}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{F} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{t}^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{t}$$

$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = [\alpha_1 \ \alpha_2 \ \dots \ \alpha_m]$  is a diagonal matrix of 'penalty numbers'

stationary condition of the modified functional requires the derivatives of  $\Pi_p$  with respect to the  $\mathbf{U}_i$  to vanish

$$\frac{\partial \Pi_p}{\partial \mathbf{U}} = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{K}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$[\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{C}] \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F} + \underbrace{\mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \mathbf{Q}}_{\text{Penalty matrix}}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Penalty Function Method

## ❖ Theory of Penalty Function Method - General MPCs

[Zienkiewicz *et al.*, 2000] :

$$\alpha = \text{constant} (1/h)^{p+1}$$

characteristic  
size of element

$p$  is the order of  
element used

$$\alpha = 1.0 \times 10^{4-6} \times \max (\text{diagonal elements in the stiffness matrix})$$

or

$$\alpha = 1.0 \times 10^{5-8} \times \text{Young's modulus}$$





# Multi-Point Constraints- Penalty Function Method

## Assessment of Penalty Function Method

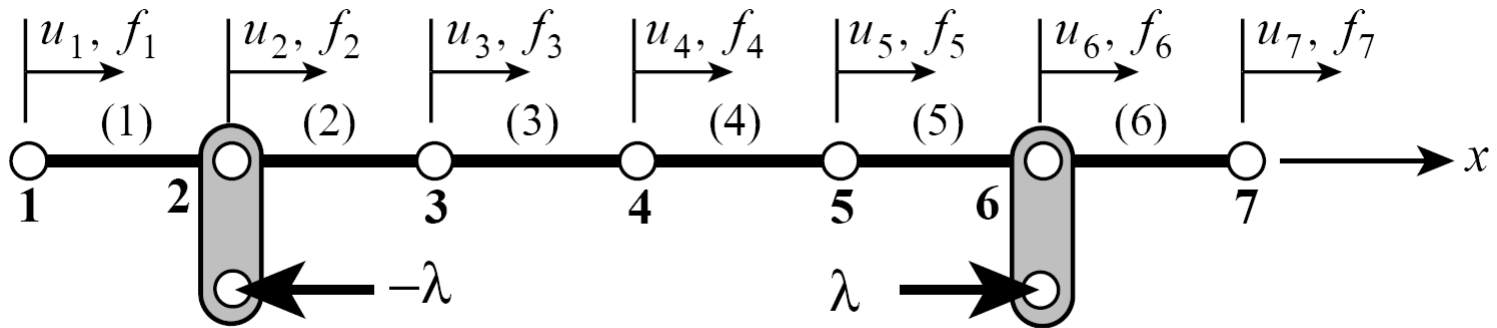
### ❖ ADVANTAGES

- general application (inc' nonlinear MPCs)
- easy to implement using FE library and standard assembler
- no change in vector of unknowns
- retains positive definiteness
- insensitive to constraint dependence

### ❖ DISADVANTAGES

- selection of weight left to user
- accuracy limited by ill-conditioning
- the constraint equations can only be satisfied approximately.

## ❖ Lagrange Multiplier Method, Physical Interpretation



force-pair that enforces MFC

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77}
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 u_5 \\
 u_6 \\
 u_7
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_1 \\
 f_2 - \lambda \\
 f_3 \\
 f_4 \\
 f_5 \\
 f_6 + \lambda \\
 f_7
 \end{bmatrix}$$



## ❖ Lagrange Multiplier Method

Because  $\lambda$  is unknown, it is passed to the LHS and appended to the node-displacement vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \\ u_6 \\ u_7 \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 \\ f_6 \\ f_7 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is now a system of 7 equations and 8 unknowns.  
Needs an extra equation: the MPC.



## ❖ Lagrange Multiplier Method

Append MPC as additional equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} & -1 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} & 0 \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 u_5 \\
 u_6 \\
 u_7 \\
 \lambda
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_1 \\
 f_2 \\
 f_3 \\
 f_4 \\
 f_5 \\
 f_6 \\
 f_7 \\
 0
 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is the *multiplier-augmented system*. The new coefficient matrix is called the *bordered stiffness*.



## ❖ IMPLEMENTATION OF MPC EQUATIONS

$$\mathbf{KU} = \mathbf{F} \quad (\text{Global system equation})$$

$$\mathbf{CU} - \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0} \quad (\text{Matrix form of MPC equations})$$

Constant matrices

❖ Optimization problem for solution of nodal degrees of freedom:

❖ Find  $\mathbf{U}$  to

$$\text{Minimize: } \Pi_p = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{KU} - \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{F}$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \mathbf{CU} - \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0}$$



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Lagrange multiplier method

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda} = [\lambda_1 \quad \lambda_2 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_m]^T \quad \text{(Lagrange multipliers)}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \{\mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{Q}\} = 0 \quad \text{Multiplied to MPC equations}$$

❖ Find  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  to

$$\text{Minimize: } L = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{K}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \{\mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{Q}\} \quad \text{Added to functional}$$

The stationary condition requires the derivatives of  $L$  with respect to the  $\mathbf{U}_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  to vanish.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{U}} = 0 &\rightarrow \mathbf{K}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{C}^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{0} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \boldsymbol{\lambda}} = 0 &\rightarrow \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} - \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} & \mathbf{C}^T \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{U} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{Q} \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Matrix equation} \\ \text{is solved} \end{array}$$



## ❖ Lagrange Multiplier Method - Multiple MPCs

Three MPCs:  $u_2 - u_6 = 0$ ,  $5u_2 - 8u_7 = 3$ ,  $3u_3 + u_5 - 4u_6 = 1$

Recipe step #1:  
append the  
3 constraints

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\
 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 \\
 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 0
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 u_5 \\
 u_6 \\
 u_7
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_1 \\
 f_2 \\
 f_3 \\
 f_4 \\
 f_5 \\
 f_6 \\
 f_7 \\
 0 \\
 3 \\
 1
 \end{bmatrix}$$

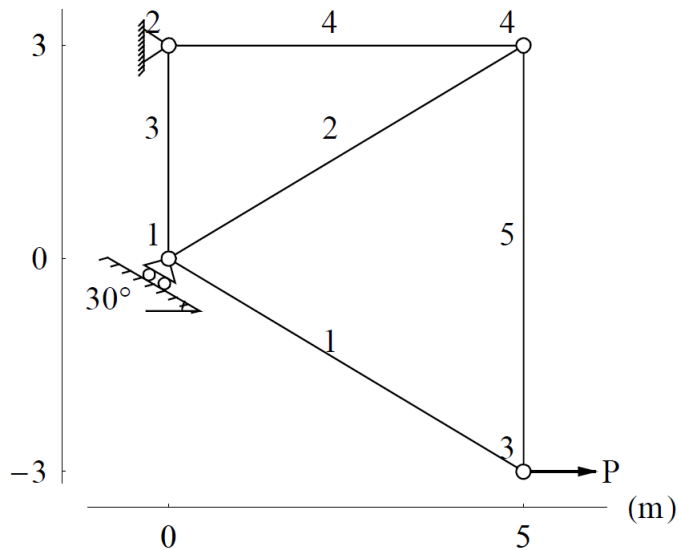
Recipe step #2:  
append multipliers,  
symmetrize  
and fill

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 K_{11} & K_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 K_{12} & K_{22} & K_{23} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & 0 \\
 0 & K_{23} & K_{33} & K_{34} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\
 0 & 0 & K_{34} & K_{44} & K_{45} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{45} & K_{55} & K_{56} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{56} & K_{66} & K_{67} & -1 & 0 & -4 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & K_{67} & K_{77} & 0 & -8 & 0 \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -8 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 u_5 \\
 u_6 \\
 u_7 \\
 \lambda_1 \\
 \lambda_2 \\
 \lambda_3
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_1 \\
 f_2 \\
 f_3 \\
 f_4 \\
 f_5 \\
 f_6 \\
 f_7 \\
 0 \\
 3 \\
 1
 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Lagrange Multiplier Method

❖ **Example:** Five bar truss with inclined support



$$E = 70 \text{ Gpa}, \quad A = 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2, \quad P = 20 \text{ kN}.$$



## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 1

$$E = 70000$$

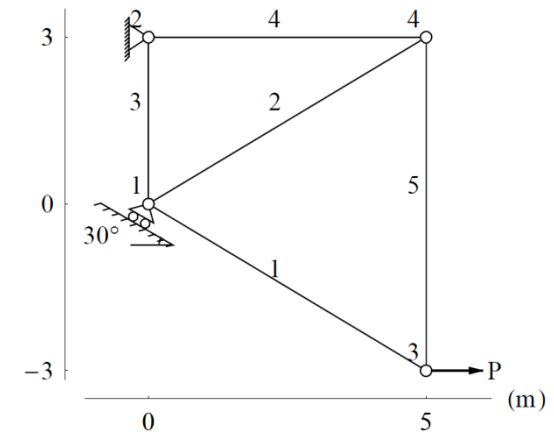
$$A = 1000$$

Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	1	0	0
2	3	5000.	-3000.
$x_1 = 0$	$y_1 = 0$	$x_2 = 5000.$	$y_2 = -3000.$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 5830.95$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } \ell_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 0.857493$$

$$m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = -0.514496$$



$$\mathbf{k}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 8827.13 & -5296.28 & -8827.13 & 5296.28 \\ -5296.28 & 3177.77 & 5296.28 & -3177.77 \\ -8827.13 & 5296.28 & 8827.13 & -5296.28 \\ 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & 3177.77 \end{pmatrix}$$

## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 2

$$E = 70000$$

$$A = 1000$$

Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	1	0	0
2	4	5000.	3000.

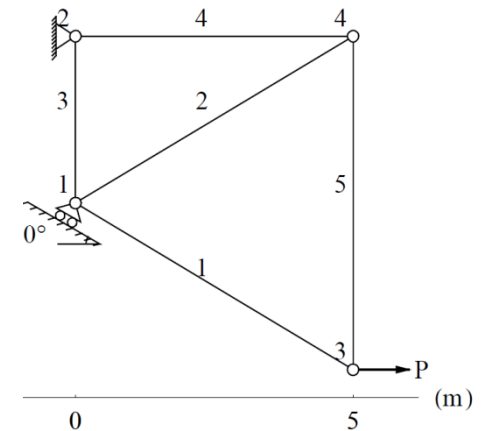
  

$x_1 = 0$	$y_1 = 0$	$x_2 = 5000.$	$y_2 = 3000.$
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$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 5830.95$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } \ell_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 0.857493 \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = 0.514496$$

$$\mathbf{k}^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 8827.13 & 5296.28 & -8827.13 & -5296.28 \\ 5296.28 & 3177.77 & -5296.28 & -3177.77 \\ -8827.13 & -5296.28 & 8827.13 & 5296.28 \\ -5296.28 & -3177.77 & 5296.28 & 3177.77 \end{pmatrix}$$



## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 3

$$E = 70000 \quad A = 1000$$

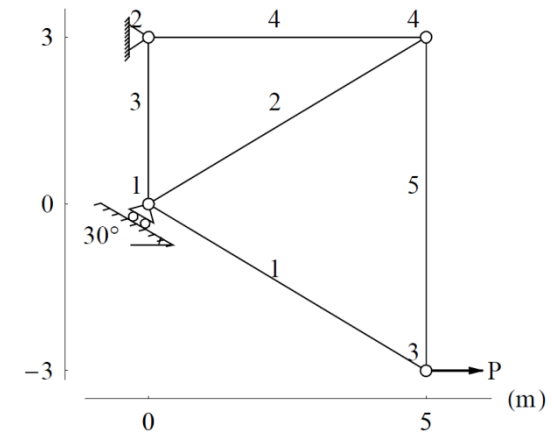
Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	1	0	0
2	2	0	3000.

$$x_1 = 0 \quad y_1 = 0 \quad x_2 = 0 \quad y_2 = 3000.$$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 3000.$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } l_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 0 \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = 1.$$

$$\mathbf{k}^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 23333.3 & 0. & -23333.3 \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & -23333.3 & 0. & 23333.3 \end{pmatrix}$$



## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 4

$$E = 70000$$

$$A = 1000$$

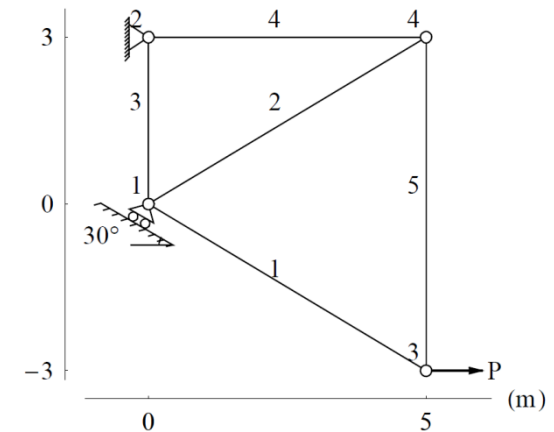
Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	2	0	3000.
2	4	5000.	3000.

$$x_1 = 0 \quad y_1 = 3000. \quad x_2 = 5000. \quad y_2 = 3000.$$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 5000.$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } \ell_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 1. \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{k}^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 14000. & 0. & -14000. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ -14000. & 0. & 14000. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \end{pmatrix}$$



## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 4

$$E = 70000$$

$$A = 1000$$

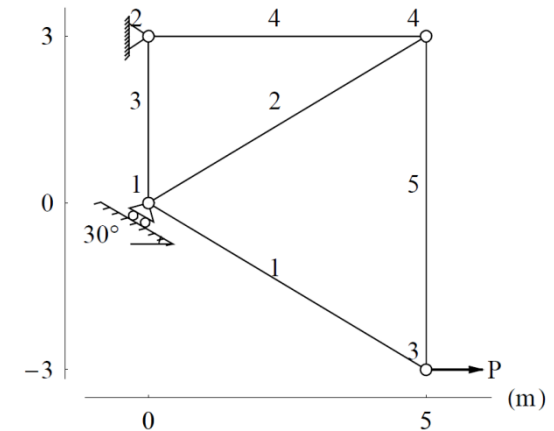
Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	2	0	3000.
2	4	5000.	3000.

$$x_1 = 0 \quad y_1 = 3000. \quad x_2 = 5000. \quad y_2 = 3000.$$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 5000.$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } \ell_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 1. \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = 0.$$

$$\mathbf{k}^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 14000. & 0. & -14000. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ -14000. & 0. & 14000. & 0. \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \end{pmatrix}$$



## ❖ Example: Five bar truss with inclined support

Equations for element 5

$$E = 70000 \quad A = 1000$$

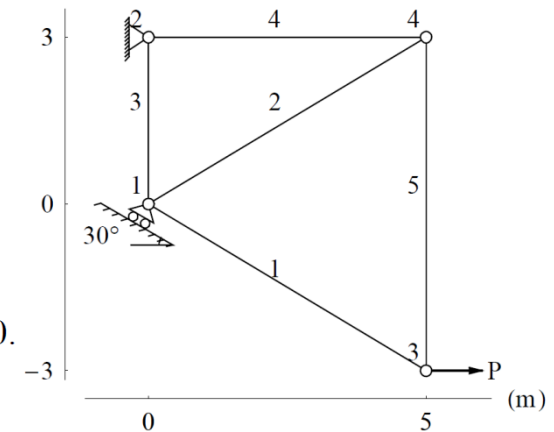
Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	3	5000.	-3000.
2	4	5000.	3000.

$$x_1 = 5000. \quad y_1 = -3000. \quad x_2 = 5000. \quad y_2 = 3000.$$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 6000.$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } l_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 0. \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = 1.$$

$$\mathbf{k}^{(5)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & 11666.7 & 0. & -11666.7 \\ 0. & 0. & 0. & 0. \\ 0. & -11666.7 & 0. & 11666.7 \end{pmatrix}$$





# Multi-Point Constraints- Lagrange Multiplier Method

❖ **Example:** Five bar truss with inclined support

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 17654.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -8827.13 & 5296.28 & -8827.13 & -5296.28 \\
 0 & 29688.9 & 0 & -23333.3 & 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & -3177.77 \\
 0 & 0 & 14000. & 0 & 0 & 0 & -14000. & 0 \\
 0 & -23333.3 & 0 & 23333.3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 -8827.13 & 5296.28 & 0 & 0 & 8827.13 & -5296.28 & 0 & 0 \\
 5296.28 & -3177.77 & 0 & 0 & -5296.28 & 14844.4 & 0 & -11666.7 \\
 -8827.13 & -5296.28 & -14000. & 0 & 0 & 0 & 22827.1 & 5296.28 \\
 -5296.28 & -3177.77 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -11666.7 & 5296.28 & 14844.4
 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{pmatrix}
 u_1 \\
 v_1 \\
 u_2 \\
 v_2 \\
 u_3 \\
 v_3 \\
 u_4 \\
 v_4
 \end{pmatrix}
 =
 \begin{pmatrix}
 0 \\
 0 \\
 0 \\
 0 \\
 20000. \\
 0 \\
 0 \\
 0
 \end{pmatrix}$$

Essential boundary conditions

Node	dof	Value
2	$u_2$	0
	$v_2$	0



# Multi-Point Constraints- Lagrange Multiplier Method

After adjusting for essential boundary conditions

$$\begin{pmatrix} 17654.3 & 0 & -8827.13 & 5296.28 & -8827.13 & -5296.28 \\ 0 & 29688.9 & 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & -3177.77 \\ -8827.13 & 5296.28 & 8827.13 & -5296.28 & 0 & 0 \\ 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & 14844.4 & 0 & -11666.7 \\ -8827.13 & -5296.28 & 0 & 0 & 22827.1 & 5296.28 \\ -5296.28 & -3177.77 & 0 & -11666.7 & 5296.28 & 14844.4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \\ u_3 \\ v_3 \\ u_4 \\ v_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 20000. \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Multipoint constraint due to inclined support at node 1:  $u_1 \sin(\pi/6) + v_1 \cos(\pi/6) = 0$

The augmented global equations with the Lagrange multiplier are as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 17654.3 & 0 & -8827.13 & 5296.28 & -8827.13 & -5296.28 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 29688.9 & 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & -3177.77 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -8827.13 & 5296.28 & 8827.13 & -5296.28 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5296.28 & -3177.77 & -5296.28 & 14844.4 & 0 & -11666.7 & 0 \\ -8827.13 & -5296.28 & 0 & 0 & 22827.1 & 5296.28 & 0 \\ -5296.28 & -3177.77 & 0 & -11666.7 & 5296.28 & 14844.4 & 0 \\ 1/2 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \\ u_3 \\ v_3 \\ u_4 \\ v_4 \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 20000. \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$





# Multi-Point Constraints- Lagrange Multiplier Method

Solving the final system of global equations we get

$$\{u_1 = 5.14286, v_1 = -2.96923, u_3 = 16.8629, v_3 = 12.788, \\ u_4 = -1.42857, v_4 = 11.7594, \lambda = 80000.\}$$

Solution for element 1

Nodal coordinates

Element node	Global node number	x	y
1	1	0	0
2	3	5000.	-3000.
$x_1 = 0$	$y_1 = 0$	$x_2 = 5000.$	$y_2 = -3000.$

$$L = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = 5830.95$$

$$\text{Direction cosines: } \ell_s = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{L} = 0.857493 \quad m_s = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{L} = -0.514496$$

Global to local transformation matrix

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0.857493 & -0.514496 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.857493 & -0.514496 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Multi-Point Constraints- Lagrange Multiplier Method

Element nodal displacements in global coordinates

$$d = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ v_1 \\ u_3 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5.14286 \\ -2.96923 \\ 16.8629 \\ 12.788 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Element nodal displacements} \\ \text{in local coordinates} \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\text{red arrow}} \mathbf{u}_l = T d = \begin{pmatrix} 5.93762 \\ 7.88048 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E = 70000 \quad A = 1000$$

$$\text{Axial strain, } \epsilon = (d_2 - d_1)/L = 0.000333197$$

$$\text{Axial stress, } \sigma = E\epsilon = 23.3238$$

$$\text{Axial force} = \sigma A = 23323.8$$

Stress                      Axial force

1	23.3238	23323.8
2	23.3238	23323.8
3	69.282	69282.
4	-20.	-20000.
5	-12.	-12000.



## Assessment of Lagrange Multiplier Method

### ❖ ADVANTAGES

- General application
- Constraint equations are satisfied exactly

### ❖ DISADVANTAGES

- Difficult implementation
- Total number of unknowns is increased
- Expanded stiffness matrix is non-positive definite due to the presence of zero diagonal terms
- Efficiency of solving the system equations is lower
- sensitive to constraint dependence



## ❖ MPC Application Methods: Assessment Summary

	<b>Master-Slave Elimination</b>	<b>Penalty Function</b>	<b>Lagrange Multiplier</b>
<b>Generality</b>	<b>fair</b>	<b>excellent</b>	<b>excellent</b>
<b>Ease of implementation</b>	<b>poor to fair</b>	<b>good</b>	<b>fair</b>
<b>Sensitivity to user decisions</b>	<b>high</b>	<b>high</b>	<b>small to none</b>
<b>Accuracy</b>	<b>variable</b>	<b>mediocre</b>	<b>excellent</b>
<b>Sensitivity as regards constraint dependence</b>	<b>high</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>high</b>
<b>Retains positive definiteness</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>yes</b>	<b>no</b>



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