

# Method for determining the oblique length of a bridge truss



## Overview

Engineers use two main approaches to truss analysis: the Method of Joints and the Method of Sections. Detailed drawings of superstructures are provided to engineers and technicians at specific substructures. Geometric constraints of bridge geometry often dictate that the central framework also be organized into a truss. A truss consists of a number of long struts or bars (slender members) joined at their ends. The individual pieces are called members and the locations where they meet are called joints. (a), (b) and (f) are spatial trusses.



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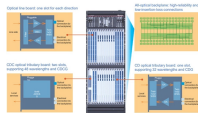
By hand, a two-dimensional plane truss analysis can be solved by utilizing equilibrium equations to resolve the forces at each joint in turn, or by employing the method of sections to free ...



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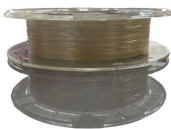
Prior to the introduction of computers, calculation of deflections in trusses was a laborious procedure and was usually determined by energy or virtual work methods or by graphical or semigraphical ...



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Details are given on designing truss joints, with examples of calculating forces in W-truss and N-truss configurations. Finally, it discusses designing connections between truss members and gusset plates.



There are two methods to solve for these forces, being the method of joints, and the method of sections. Both of these tactics will be expanded upon later in this chapter.



This method involves passing an imaginary section through the truss so that it divides the system into two parts and cuts through members whose axial forces are desired.

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