

# Paradosso di Nikolai: il momento nonconservativo

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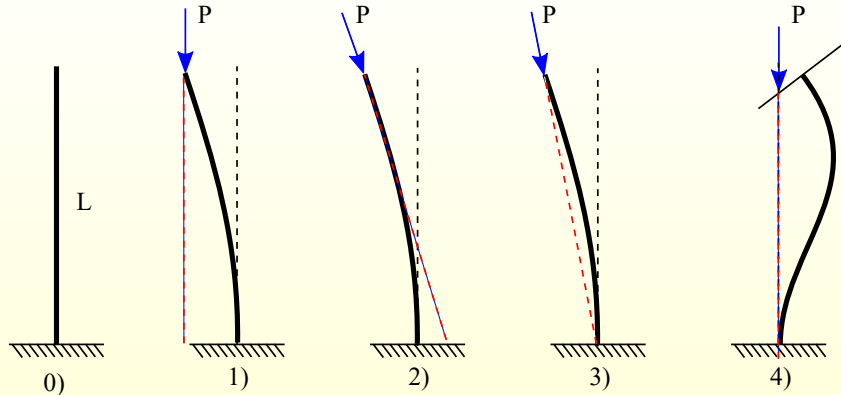
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# Instabilità di la trave <sup>1</sup>



Critical forces: 1)  $P^* = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2}$ ; 2)  $P^* = \frac{20.5EI}{L^2}$ ; 3)  $P^* = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{L^2}$ ; 4)

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# E. Nikolai paradox

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Static “solution”

$$EIu'' + Pu = Mv', \quad E Iv'' + Pv = -Mu';$$

$$u(s) = C_1 \cos a_1 s + C_2 \sin a_1 s + C_3 \cos a_2 s + C_4 \sin a_2 s,$$

$$v(s) = C_1 \sin a_1 s - C_2 \cos a_1 s + C_3 \sin a_2 s - C_4 \cos a_2 s,$$

$$a^2 + \frac{M}{EI}a - \frac{P}{EI} = 0.$$

Boundary conditions

$$u(0) = v(0) = 0, \quad u'(L) = v'(L) = 0.$$

Solvability  $\det \mathbb{A} = 0$  results in

$$\cos \sqrt{\left(\frac{ML}{EI}\right)^2 + \frac{4PL^2}{EI}} = -\left(1 + \frac{M^2}{2PEI}\right)$$



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Solvability condition

$$\cos \sqrt{\left(\frac{ML}{EI}\right)^2 + \frac{4PL^2}{EI}} = -\left(1 + \frac{M^2}{2PEI}\right)$$

has a solution iff  $M = 0$

$$\cos \sqrt{\frac{4PL^2}{EI}} = -1, \quad P^* = \frac{\pi^2 EI}{4L^2}.$$

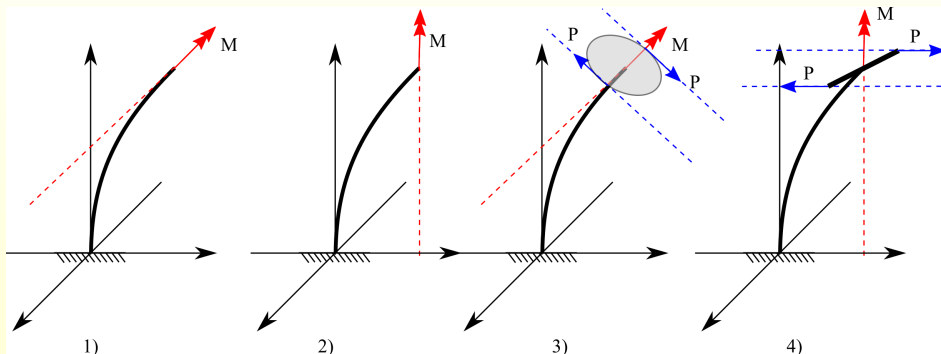
### Conclusion

no equilibrium forms can exist other than the rectilinear form.

Therefore, the applied method is invalid.

# Tangential and axial moments (non-conservative)

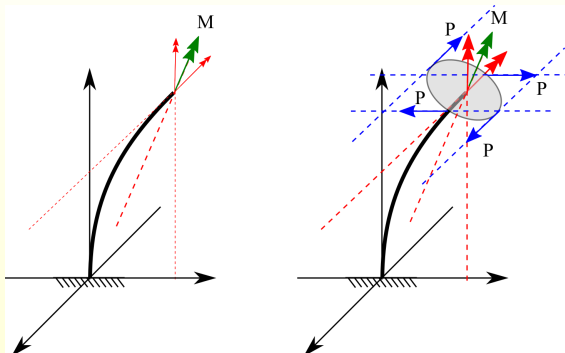
Hans Ziegler introduced: quasi-tangential, semi-tangential and pseudo-tangential moments<sup>2</sup>



Tangential and axial moments are given in 1) and 2) whereas their realizations are given in 3) and 4), respectively.

<sup>2</sup>Bolotin, V. V. *Nonconservative Problems of Theory of Elastic Stability*, Pergamon Press, 1963

# Conservative moment



The moment whose vector bisects the angle between the tangent to undeformed and deformed axes of the bar is conservative.

# Dynamic analysis

Equations of motion

$$EI_1 \frac{\partial^4 u}{\partial s^4} - M \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial s^3} + P \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} + \rho \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$EI_2 \frac{\partial^4 v}{\partial s^4} + M \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial s^3} + P \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial s^2} + \rho \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2} = 0. \quad (2)$$

Boundary conditions at  $s = 0$

$$u = v = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} = 0.$$

At  $s = L$  we have

$$EI_1 \frac{\partial^3 u}{\partial s^3} - M \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial s^2} + P \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$EI_2 \frac{\partial^3 v}{\partial s^3} + M \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} + P \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} = 0, \quad (4)$$

(transverse forces).

# Boundary conditions for different moments

At  $s = L$  depending on the loadings we have

- Tangential moment

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial s^2} = 0.$$

- Axial moment

$$EI_1 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} - M \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} = 0,$$

$$EI_2 \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial s^2} + M \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} = 0.$$

- Semi-follower moment (pseudo-tangential)

$$EI_1 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial s^2} - M \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial s^2} = 0.$$

# Harmonic-type solutions

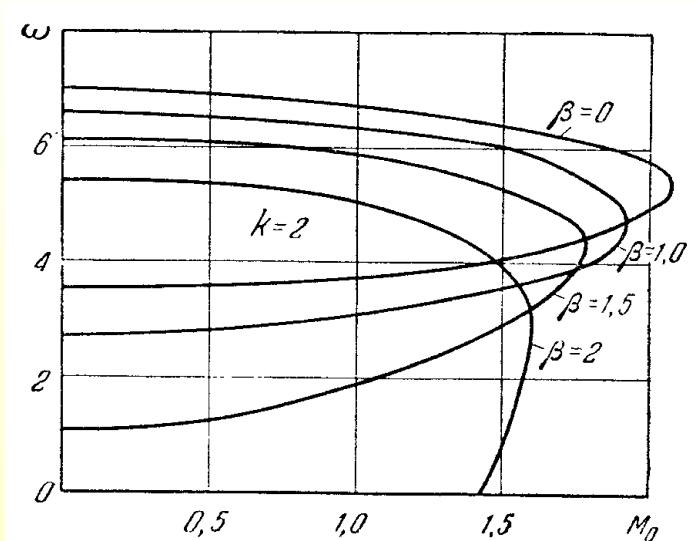
$$u(s, t) = U(s) \exp(i\omega t), \quad v(s, t) = V(s) \exp(i\omega t).$$

Dimensionless parameters

$$M_0 = \frac{ML}{E\sqrt{I_1 I_2}}, \quad \beta^2 = \frac{PL^2}{EI_1}, \quad k = \sqrt{\frac{I_2}{I_1}},$$

$$I_1 \leq I_2, \quad k \geq 1.$$

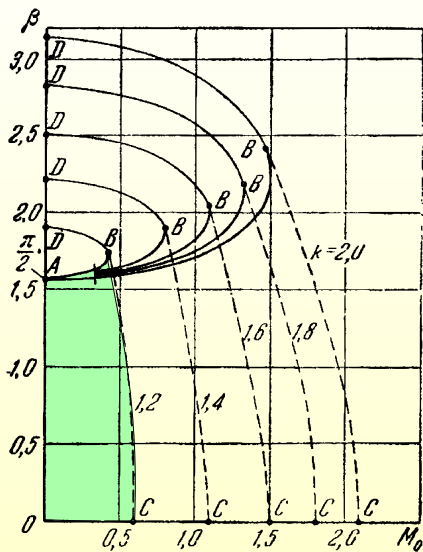
# Frequenza $\omega$



# Stability zones

Point A:

$$P^* = \frac{\pi^2 EI_1}{4L^2}$$



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