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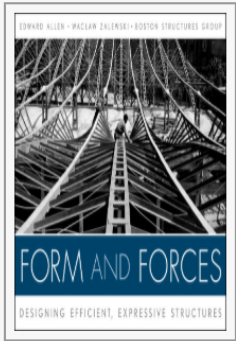
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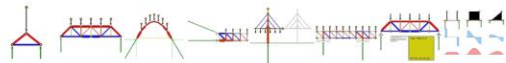
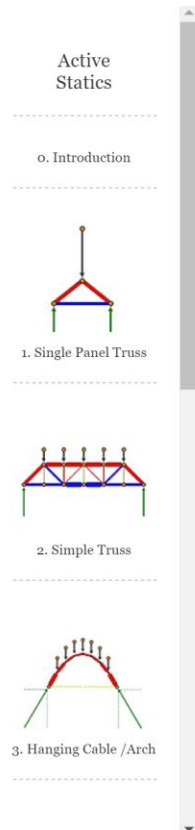
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# This is the **Active Statics** folder and tool interface.



## Introduction

The purpose of these interactive demonstrations is to help you develop a thorough understanding of basic principles of structural behavior, and to provide you with tools and knowledge that will help you to design structures that are efficient and elegant.

Before you begin, you should have some familiarity with the rudiments of graphic statics. These can be learned from Zalewski and Allen, *Form and Forces* (New York, John Wiley & Sons, 2010, ISBN 978-0-470-17465-4), and the Graphical Techniques download on this Web site, created by Joseph Iano.

For best viewing, the screen settings on your computer should be 1024 by 768 or greater.

Single-click on any icon in the left-hand column to start that demonstration. It will take a few moments to come up. If you have a popup blocker on, you must turn it off because the demos come up in their own popup windows when clicked.

Spend time playing with each of the demonstrations. You'll often discover things that are not mentioned in this manual. You may also wish to use one or more of the demos as tools to help you design a structure that you're working on. And if you develop something of interest as a result, please tell us about it. You can reach us by e-mail at [allenarch@compuserve.com](mailto:allenarch@compuserve.com).











## The Origins of These Demonstrations

These interactive demonstrations were conceived and programmed by Simon Greenwold. When Simon was a graduate student in architecture at M.I.T., he took a beginning structures class in which he learned graphic statics from the textbook by Zalewski and Allen entitled *Form and Forces*. Drawing on his previous experiences as an undergraduate math major, teacher of high school geometry, and computer programmer,

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Based on techniques described in *Form and Forces* by Wacław Zalewski and Edward Allen.

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## Finding a Funicular Curve Through Two Points



This is the glass pyramid at the Louvre Museum in Paris, designed by architect I.M. Pei. It is supported from beneath by steel cables.

In designing a structure such as this, it is often most useful to select a cable of a certain size and tensile strength, and then to find a shape for it that will utilize fully the given tensile strength.

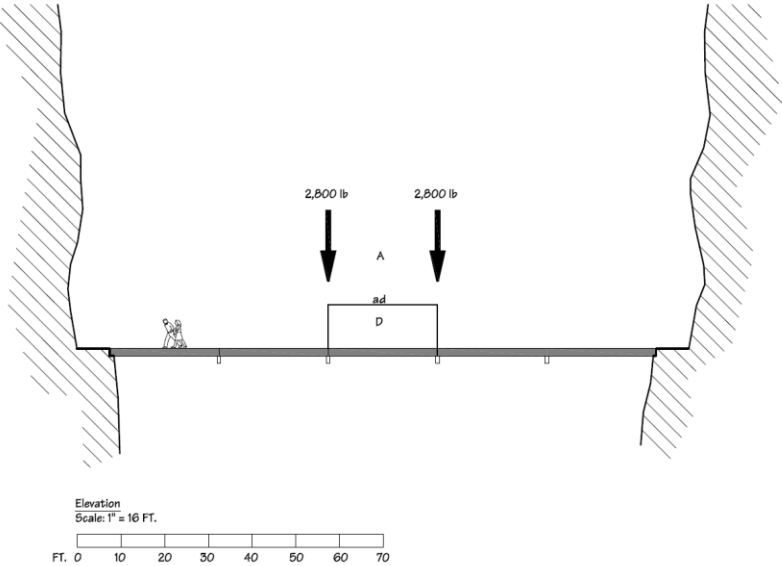
In this lesson we will learn to find the form for a cable or arch that passes through any two points and experiences a designated maximum tensile or compressive force.

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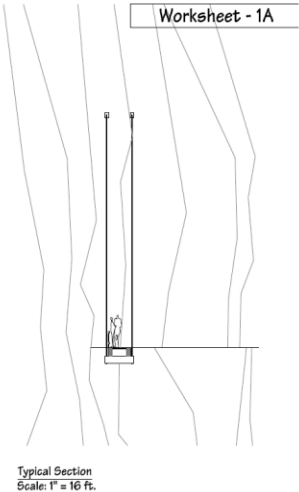
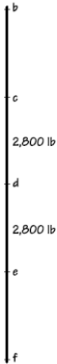
Here we are given a bridge with:

- 5 spans = 100 ft.
- Maximum force in rod = 9,600lbs
- Direction of rod segment ad

Find:

- Direction and forces in rods ab, ac, ae, af

Force Polygon  
Scale: 1" = 2800 lbs



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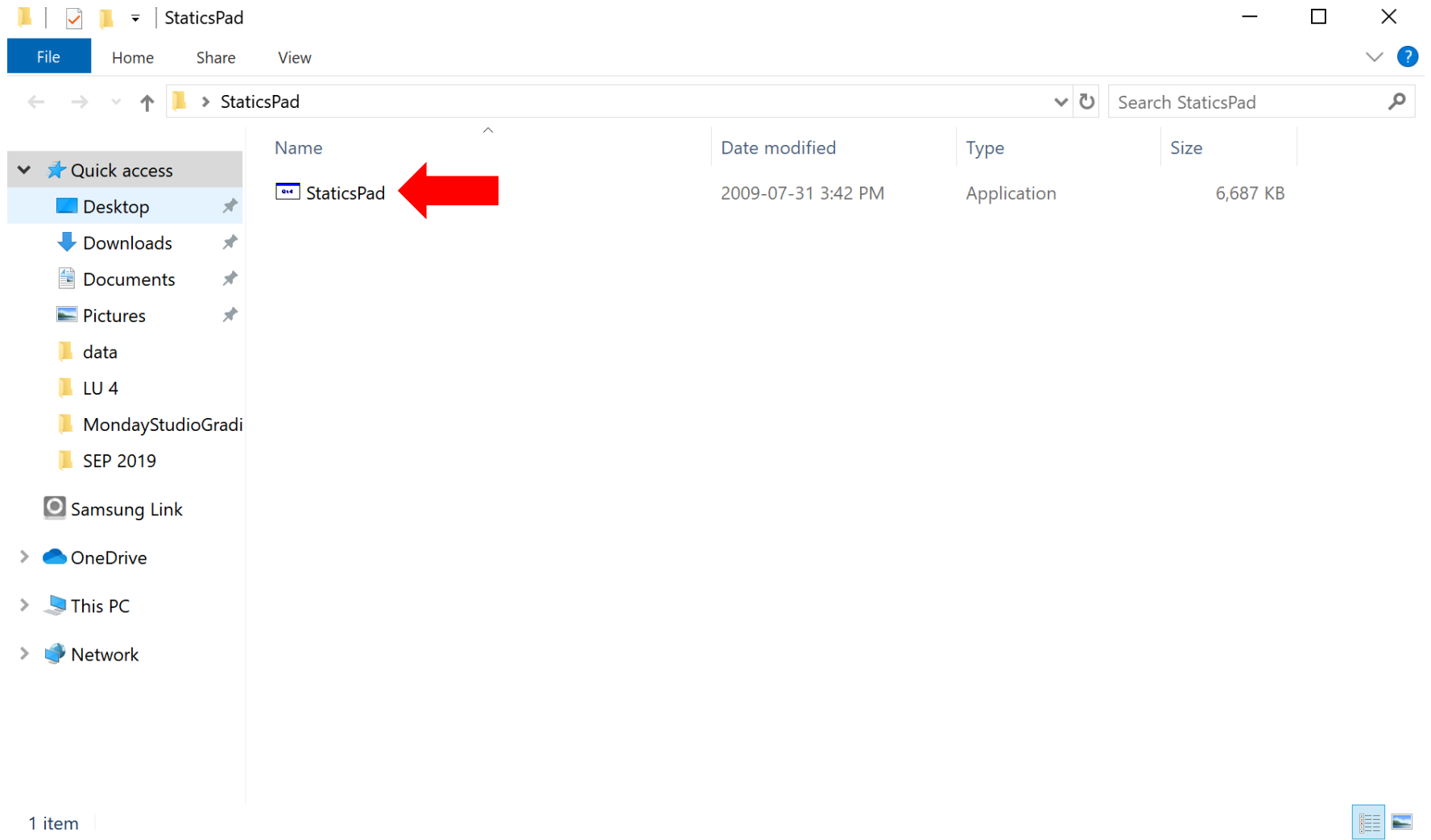
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