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# Fuzzy Finite Element Method — FFEM

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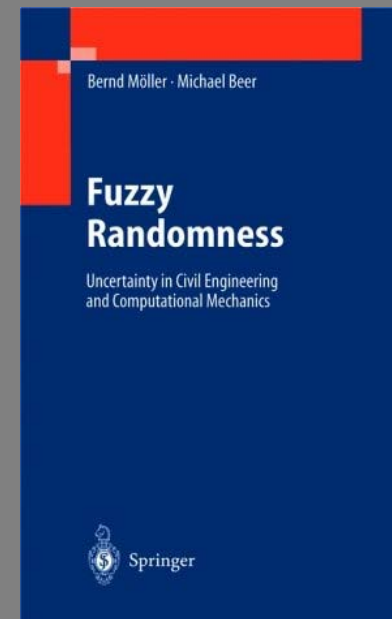
Recent research results about  
non-classical methods in uncertainty modeling

<http://www.uncertainty-in-engineering.net>

and

## Fuzzy Randomness

B. Möller, M. Beer,  
Springer 2004

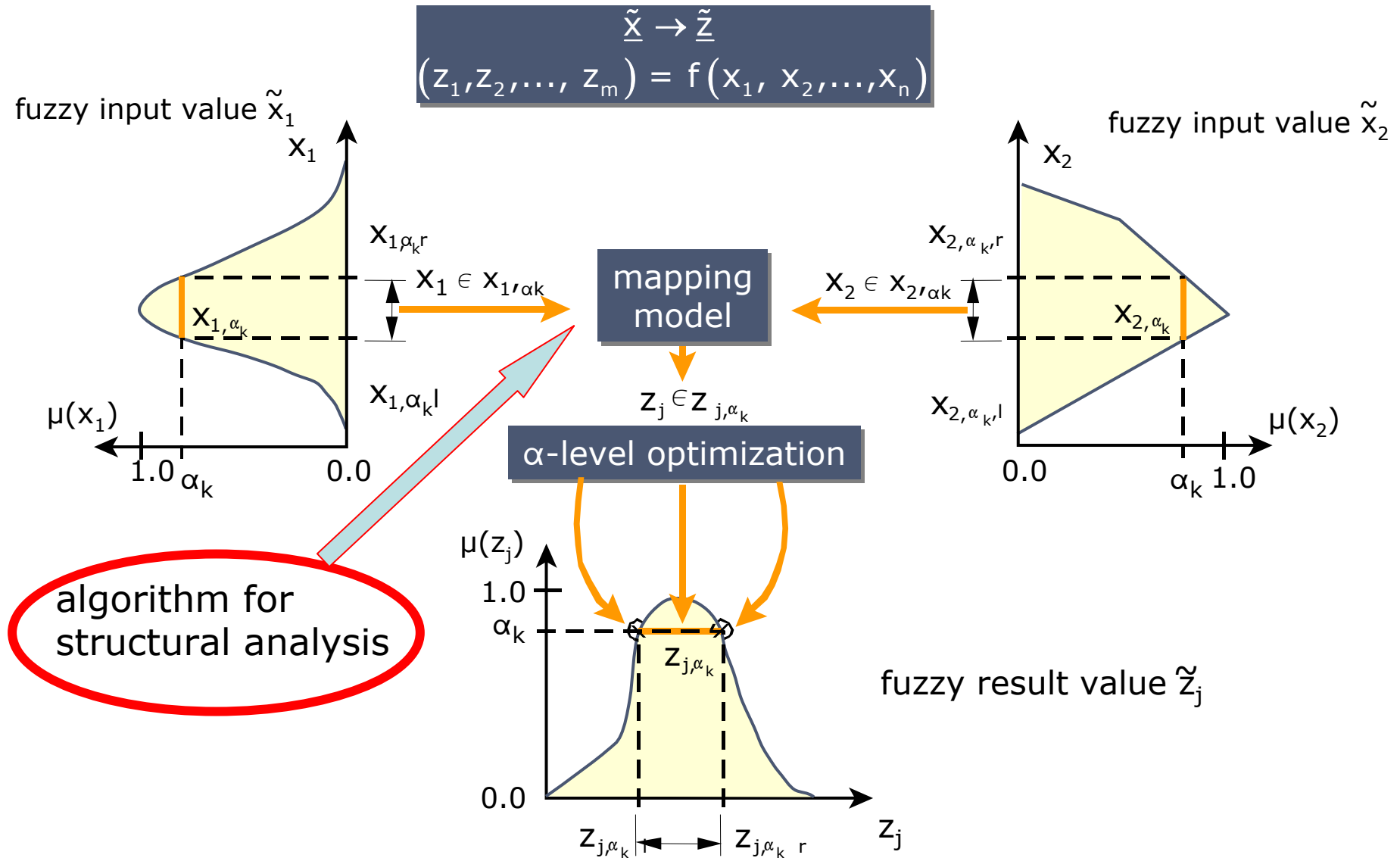


# Fuzzy Structural Analysis

**from fuzzy analysis to  
fuzzy structural analysis**

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# Mapping Model

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{z}}$$

- Computing of fuzzy result values by means of a mapping model

$$\mathbf{z} = (z_1; \dots; z_j; \dots; z_m) = \mathbf{f}(x_1; \dots; x_i; \dots; x_n)$$

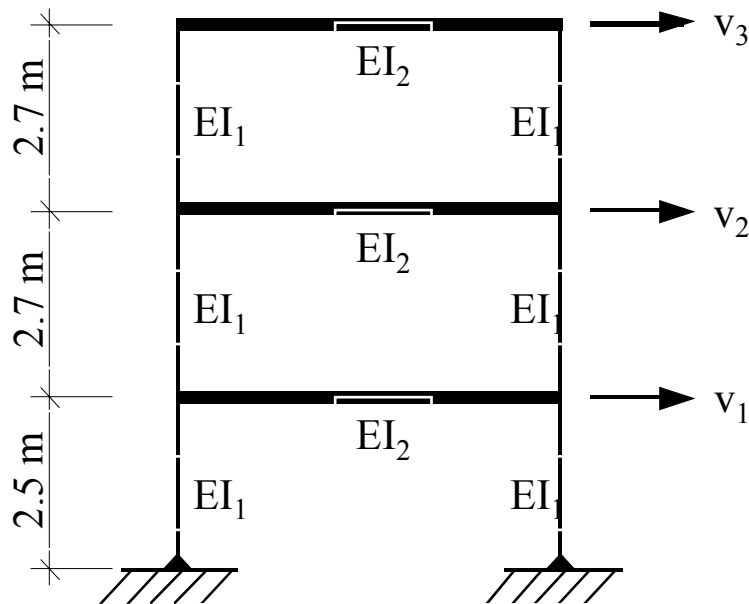
- $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$  represents the mapping model  $\mathbf{M}$  = structural analysis
- Parameter of the model  $\mathbf{M}$  might also be uncertain
- The mapping model becomes uncertain

$$\tilde{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{M}(\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_1; \dots; \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_r; \dots; \tilde{\mathbf{m}}_p)$$

# Fuzzy Structural Analysis –Dynamic (1)

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## Vibration analysis of a multistory frame



$EI_2 \rightarrow \infty; EA \rightarrow \infty$  (bending and extensional stiffnesses)

**fuzzy differential equation system**

$$\frac{d\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}{dt} = \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \\ \cdot \\ \tilde{\mathbf{v}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Cauchy problem with fuzzy initial conditions and fuzzy coefficients

- masses are concentrated in the horizontal bars
- prescribed initial value for the velocity of the upper horizontal bar

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deterministic parameters

$$EI_1 = 4 \cdot 10^3 \text{ kNm}^2$$

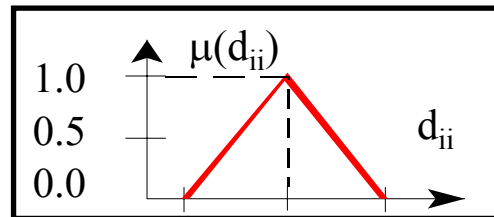
fuzzy damping parameters

$$\tilde{d}_{11} = \langle 0.045; 0.05; 0.060 \rangle \text{ kNsm}^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{d}_{22} = \langle 0.040; 0.05; 0.055 \rangle \text{ kNsm}^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{d}_{33} = \langle 0.045; 0.05; 0.060 \rangle \text{ kNsm}^{-1}$$

$$\underline{\tilde{D}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{d}_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{d}_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{d}_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$



fuzzy initial conditions

$$\underline{v}_0 = \{ 0; 0; 0 \}; \underline{\dot{v}}_0 = \{ 0; 0; \dot{v}_{30} \}$$

$$\dot{v}_{30} = \langle 0.9; 1.0; 1.2 \rangle \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

mapping operator

$$\underline{z} = f(\underline{x}) = \underline{v}(\underline{D}; \dot{v}_{30}; t) = \begin{bmatrix} v_1(\underline{D}; \dot{v}_{30}; t) \\ v_2(\underline{D}; \dot{v}_{30}; t) \\ v_3(\underline{D}; \dot{v}_{30}; t) \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$(\tilde{d}_{11}; \tilde{d}_{22}; \tilde{d}_{33}; \dot{\tilde{v}}_0(3); t) \longrightarrow (\tilde{v}(1); \tilde{v}(2); \tilde{v}(3); \dot{\tilde{v}}(1); \dot{\tilde{v}}(2); \dot{\tilde{v}}(3))$$



four-dimensional  
fuzzy input space,  
also depending from  
the crisp parameter  $t$



six-dimensional  
fuzzy result space

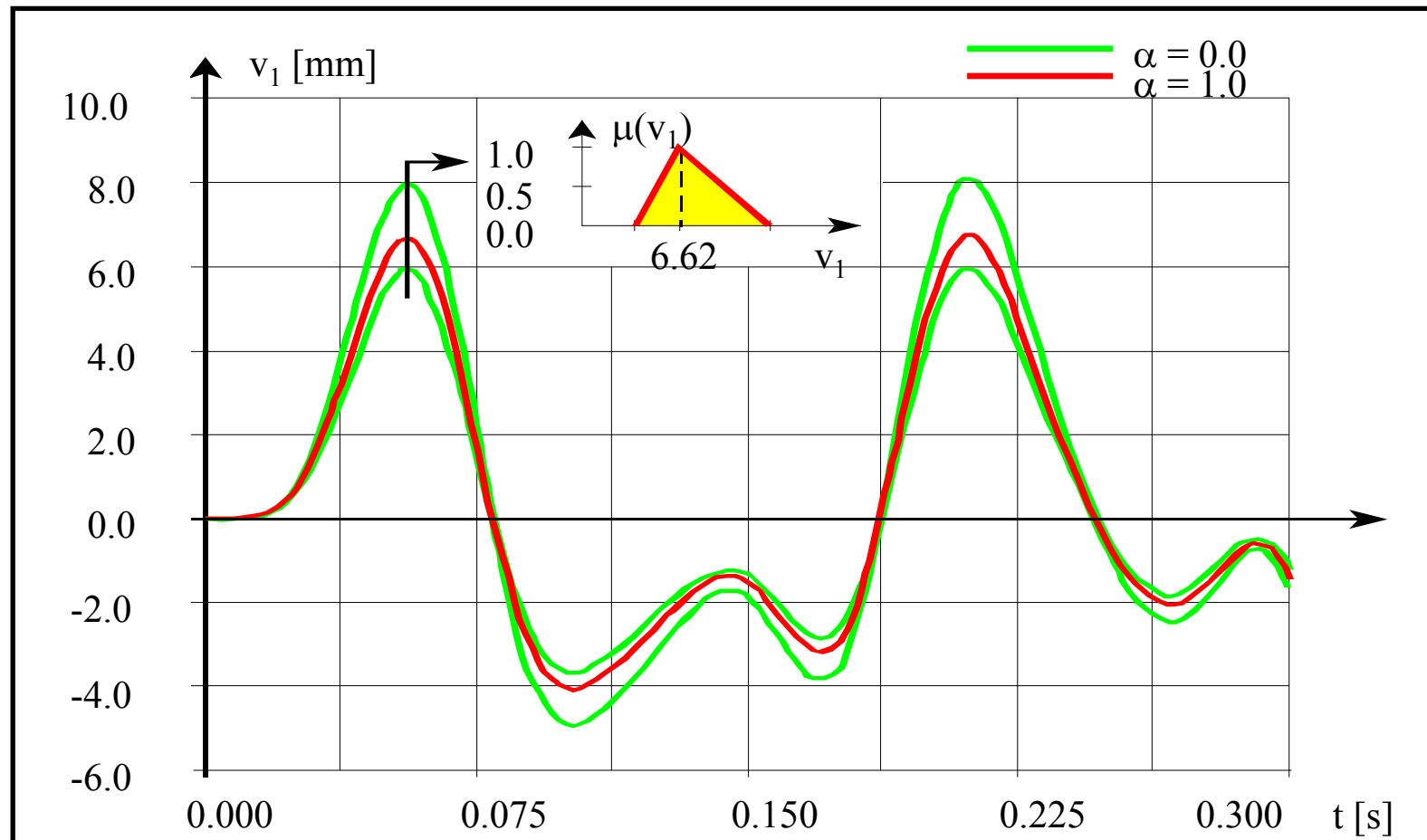
mapping is not biunique  
no monotonicity



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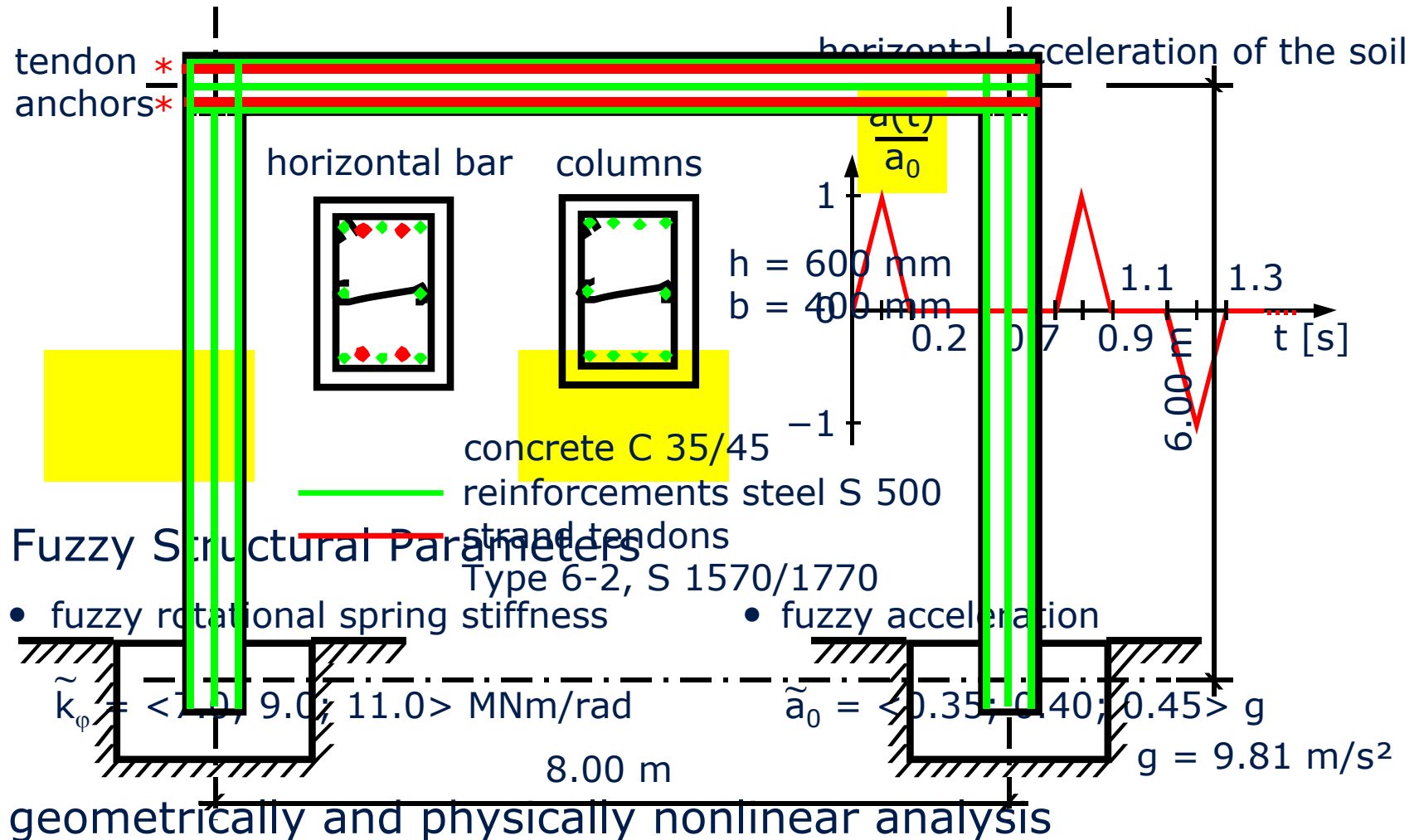
## fuzzy displacement-time dependence of the lowest story



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## Prestressed Reinforced Concrete Frame (prefabricated segments)



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## System modification (during montage) and loading process

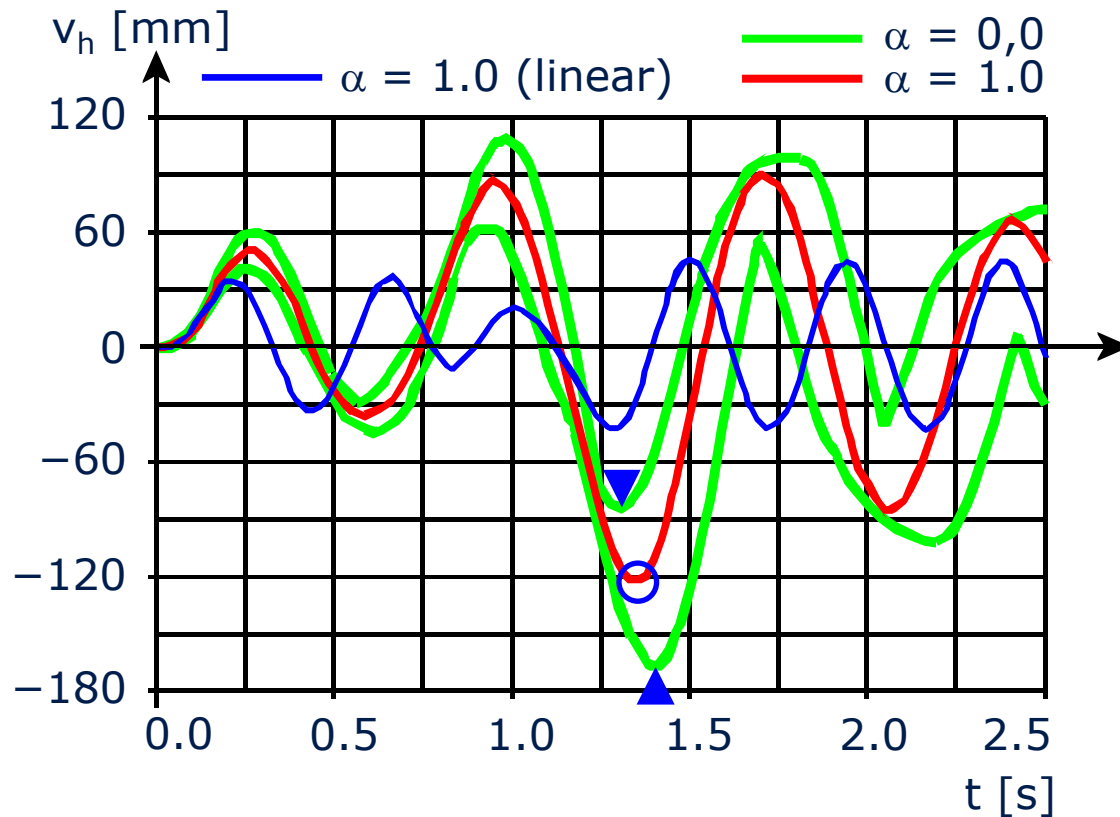
1. Simultaneous prestressing of all tendons in the horizontal bar without the effects of deadload
1. Application of the deadload and hinged connection of the columns and the horizontal bar
3. Transformation of the hinged joints at the corners into rigid connections
4. Application of additional translation mass at the frame corner
5. Introduction of dynamic loading due to the horizontal acceleration

# Fuzzy Structural Analysis – Dynamic (2)

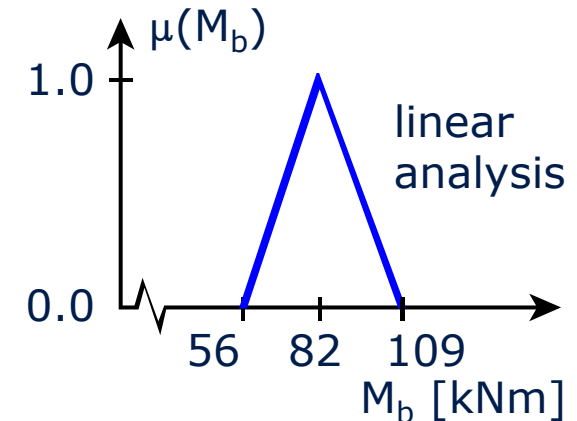
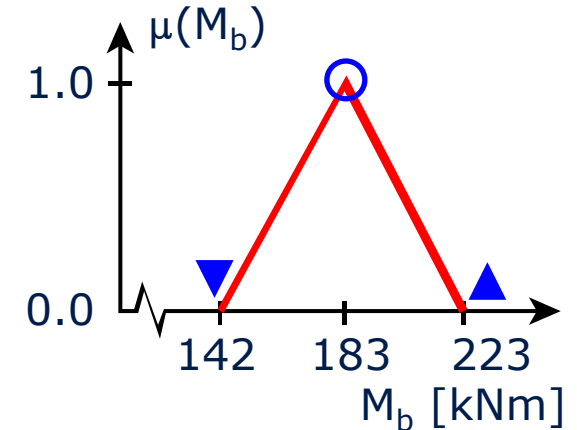
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## Fuzzy Structural Responses (nonlinear analysis)

- horizontal displacement  $\tilde{v}_h(t)$   
(left-hand frame corner)

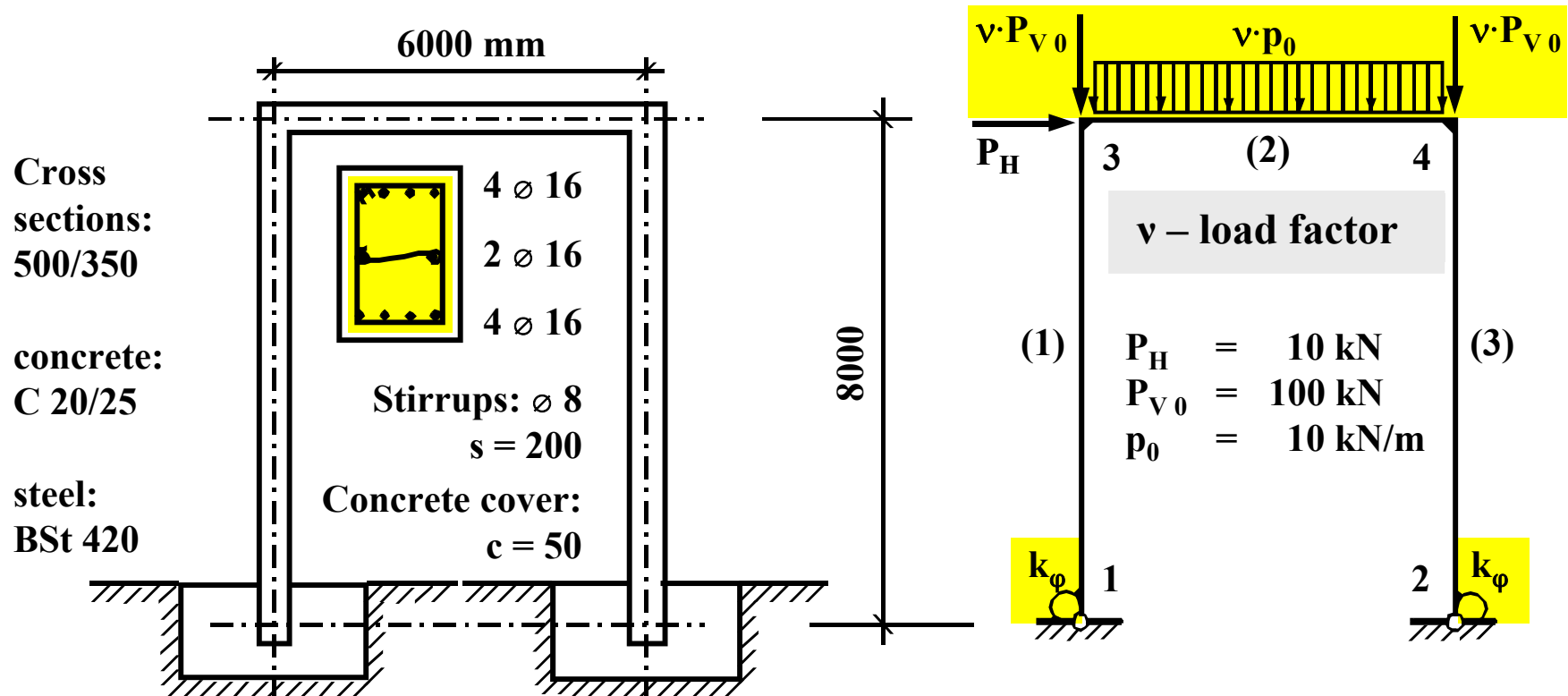


- maximum end-fixing moment  $\tilde{M}_b$   
(right-hand column base)



# Reinforced-Concrete Frame - Static

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- **Loading :**
  - 1) dead load
  - 2) horizontal load  $P_H$
  - 3) vertical load  $v \cdot P_{V0}$  and  $v \cdot p_0$  (increasing of  $v$  until system failure)

geometrically and physically nonlinear analysis

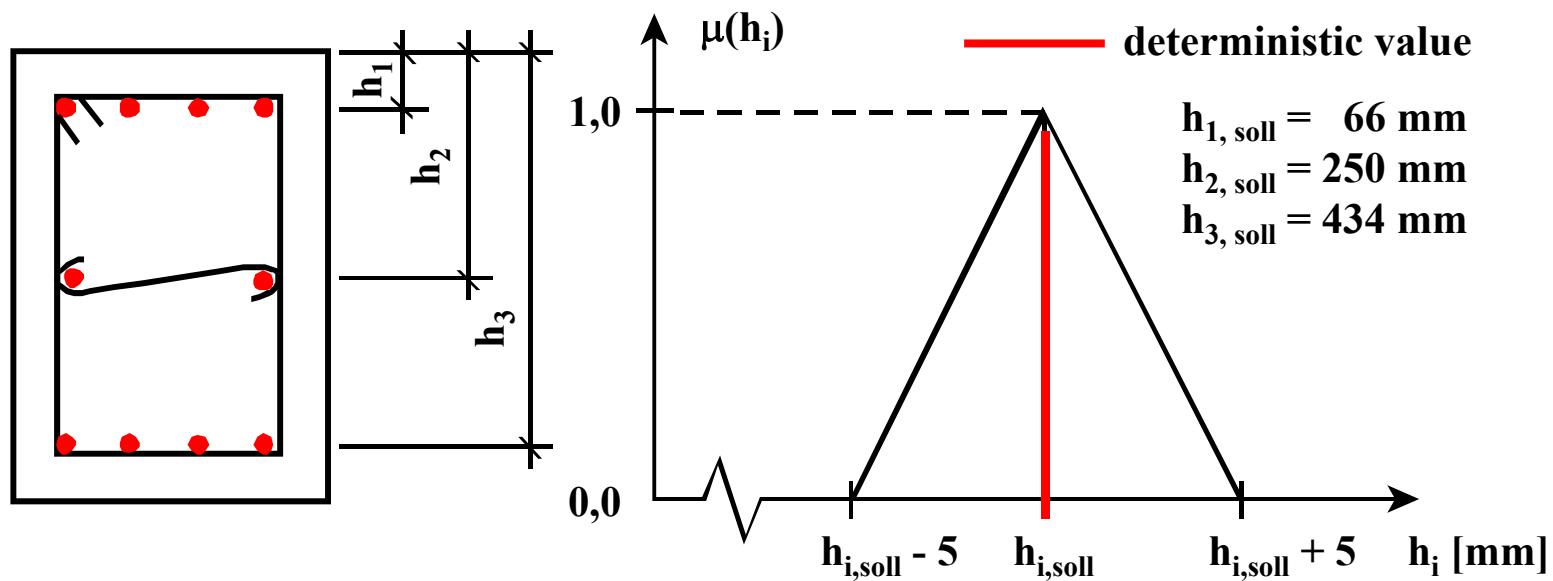
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## Fuzzy arrangement of the reinforcement steel

- Fuzzy distances  $\tilde{h}_i$  at each end of the bars and in the middle of horizontal bar:

21 fuzzy triangle numbers



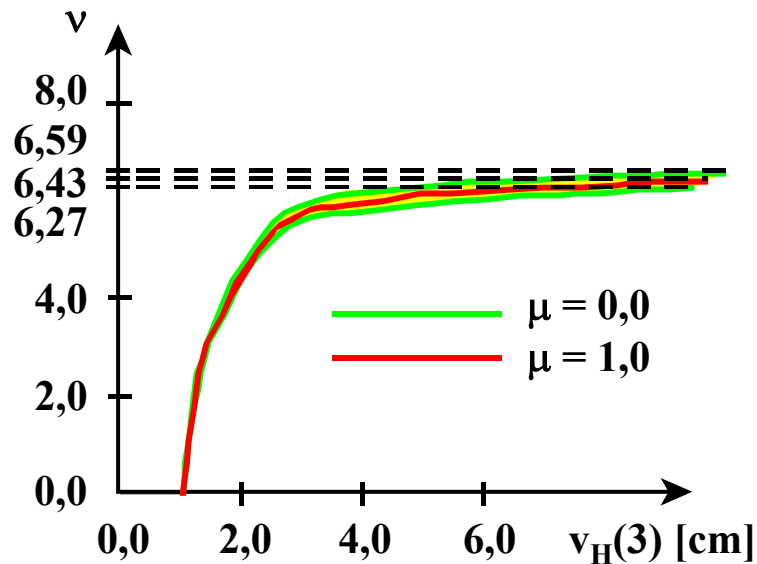
- deterministic stiffness of the rotational spring  $k_\varphi = 5 \text{ MNm/rad}$
- loading up to global system failure

# Reinforced-Concrete Frame - Analysis (1)

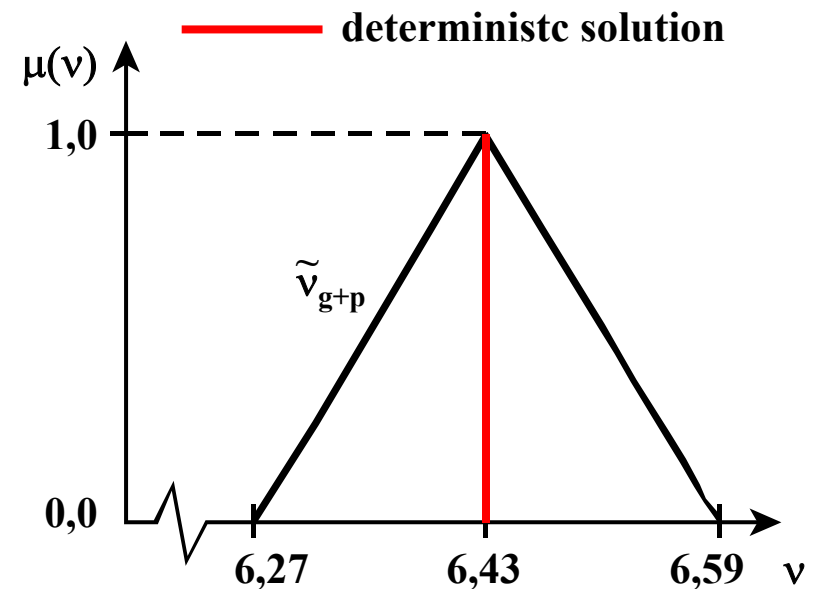
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## Fuzzy results

- Fuzzy load-displacement dependency (left corner, horizontal)



- Fuzzy failure load: load factor



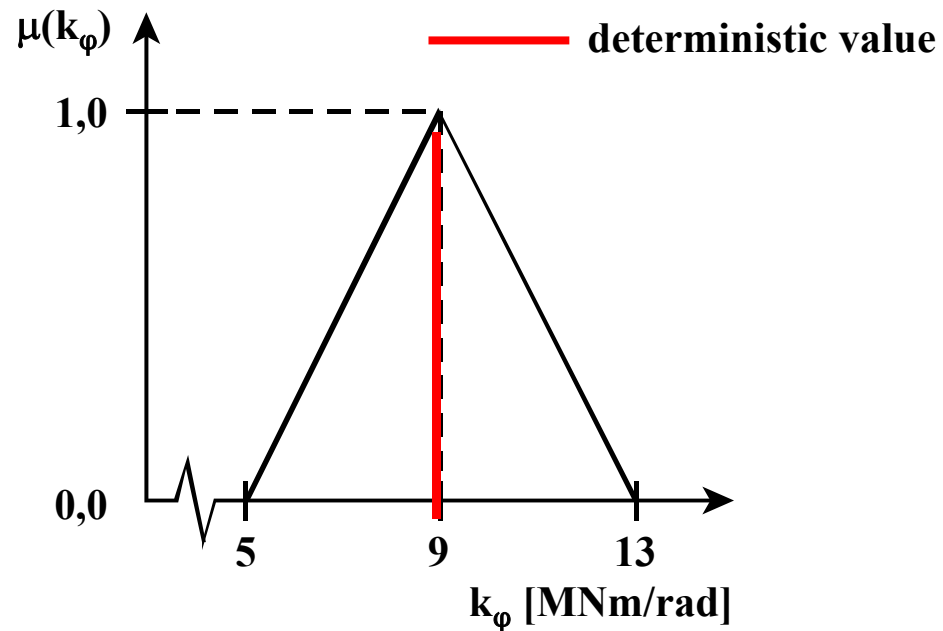
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## Fuzzy input data:

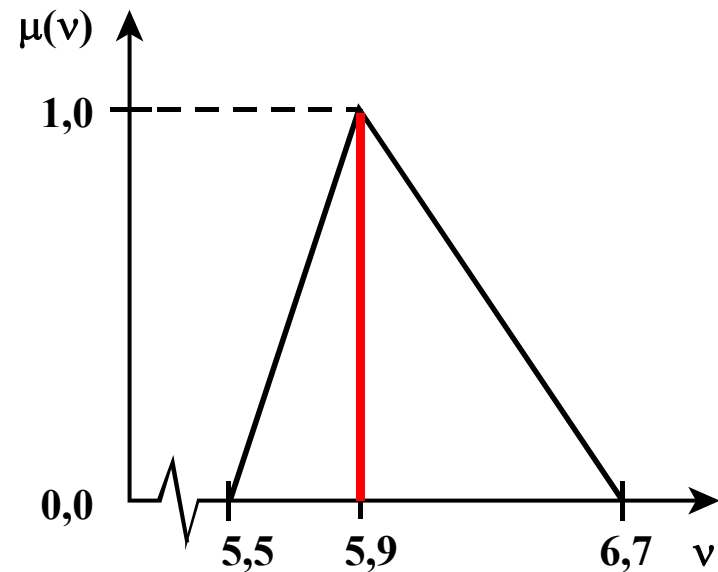
- Fuzzy rotational spring stiffness

$$\tilde{k}_\varphi = \langle 5; 9; 13 \rangle \text{ MNm/rad}$$



- Fuzzy load factor (maximal)

$$\tilde{v} = \langle 5,5; 5,9; 6,7 \rangle$$



- Reinforcement arrangement is deterministically !!

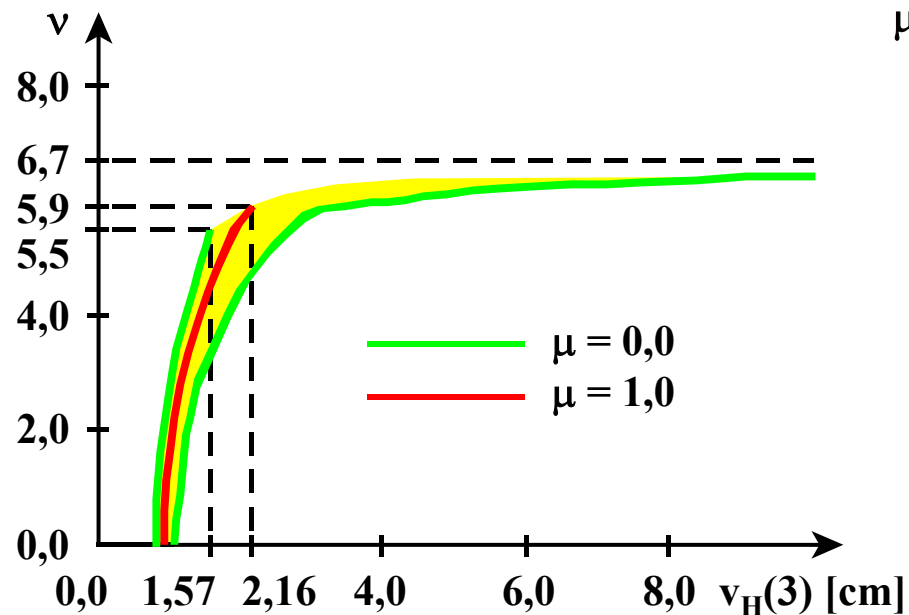


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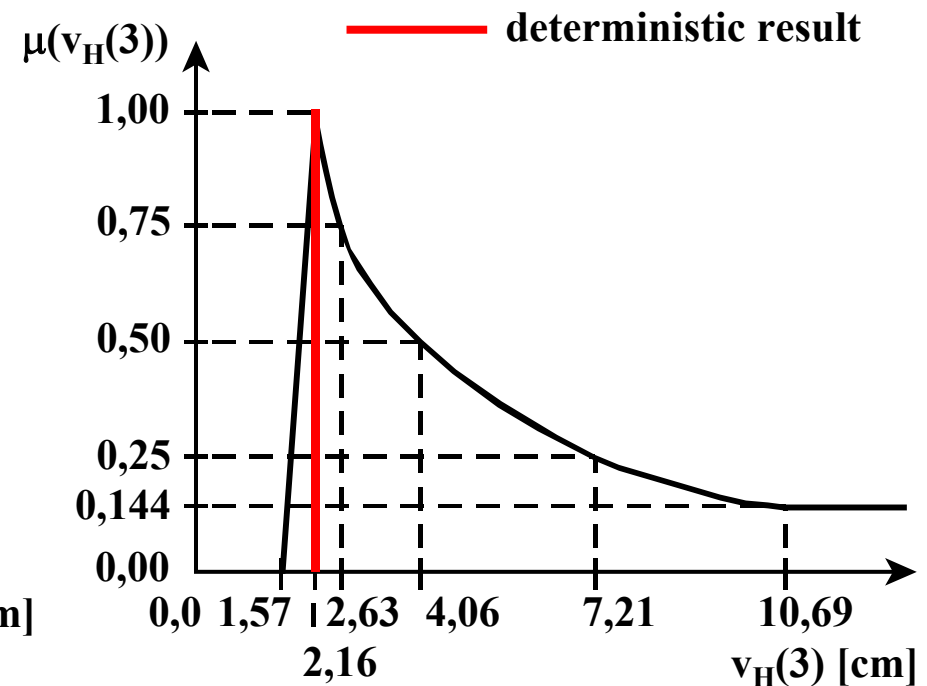
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## Fuzzy results

- Fuzzy load-displacement dependency (left corner, horizontal)



- Fuzzy displacement (failure state)



investigation of six  $\alpha$ -level

# **Fuzzy Finite Element Method**

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## **FFEM**



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# Fuzzy Finite Element Method

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## Assumption:

- structures in  $\mathbb{R}^1$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$
- position vector  $\underline{\theta} = \{\theta_1, \theta_2, \tilde{\theta}_3\}$

## 1 Displacement field $\underline{\tilde{v}}(\underline{\theta})$ containing fuzziness is chosen

$$\underline{\tilde{v}}(\underline{\theta}) = \underline{N}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}}(e); \quad \underline{\theta} = \{\theta_1, \theta_2\}$$

## 2. Linear relationship between generalized strains and displacements

$$\underline{\tilde{\varepsilon}}(\underline{\theta}) = \underline{H}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}}(e)$$

## 3. Linear material law

$$\underline{\tilde{\sigma}}(\underline{\theta}) = \underline{\tilde{E}}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{\varepsilon}}(e) = \underline{\tilde{E}}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{H}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}}(e)$$

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## 4. Virtual displacements, virtual strains

$$\delta \underline{\tilde{v}}(\underline{\theta}) = \underline{N}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \delta \underline{\tilde{v}}(e)$$

$$\delta \underline{\tilde{\epsilon}}(\underline{\theta}) = \underline{H}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \delta \underline{\tilde{v}}(e)$$

## 5. Virtual internal fuzzy work

$$\delta \tilde{A}_i = \int_{\tilde{V}} \delta \underline{\tilde{\epsilon}}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{\sigma}}(\underline{\theta}) d\tilde{V}$$

$$\delta \tilde{A}_i = \delta \underline{\tilde{v}}^T(e) \cdot \int_{\tilde{V}} \underline{H}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{\tilde{E}}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \underline{H}(\underline{\theta}) d\tilde{V} \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}}(e)$$

Fuzzy element stiffness matrix  $\underline{\tilde{K}}(e)$

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## 6. virtuel external fuzzy work

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \tilde{A}_a &= \delta \tilde{\underline{v}}^T(\underline{e}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{F}}(\underline{e}, t) && \text{virtuel work of nodal forces} \\ &+ \int_{\tilde{V}} \delta \tilde{\underline{v}}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{p}}_M(\underline{\theta}) d\tilde{V} && \text{virtuel work of mass forces} \\ &+ \int_0^+ \delta \tilde{\underline{v}}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{p}}^+(\underline{\theta}, t) dA_0 && \text{virtuel work of time-dependent} \\ & && \text{surface forces} \\ &+ \int_{\tilde{V}} \delta \tilde{\underline{v}}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\rho}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{\ddot{v}}}(\underline{\theta}, t) d\tilde{V} && \text{virtuel work of inertial forces} \\ &+ \int_{\tilde{V}} \delta \tilde{\underline{v}}^T(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{d}}(\underline{\theta}) \cdot \tilde{\underline{\dot{v}}}(\underline{\theta}, t) d\tilde{V} && \text{virtuel work of damping forces} \end{aligned}$$

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**Fuzzy differential equation of second order**

$$\underline{\tilde{M}} \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}} + \underline{\tilde{D}} \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}} + \underline{\tilde{K}} \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}} = \underline{\tilde{F}}$$

**in the static case:**

$$\underline{\tilde{K}} \cdot \underline{\tilde{v}} = \underline{\tilde{F}}$$

# Solution technique for time-independent problems

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given:  $\tilde{\underline{P}}_j(\underline{\theta}, \tilde{\underline{s}}_j) \quad j = 1, \dots, n_{FF}$  **fuzzy – functions**

$\tilde{\underline{s}}_j = \{ \tilde{s}_{j,1}, \tilde{s}_{j,2}, \dots, \tilde{s}_{j,r} \}$  **fuzzy bunch parameter vectors  
with  $\tilde{s}_{j,r}$  fuzzy bunch parameters**

- $\tilde{\underline{v}} = \underline{\underline{K}}^{-1}(\dots, \tilde{s}_{j,r}, \dots) \cdot \underline{\underline{F}}(\dots, \tilde{s}_{j,r}, \dots)$
- all fuzzy bunch parameters possess the same of  $\alpha$ -levels
- each trajectory describes one displacement field  $\underline{v}(\underline{\theta}) = f(\dots, \tilde{s}_{j,r}, \dots)$
- computing the membership functions of the fuzzy result values with  $\alpha$ -level optimization

# Bunch Parameter Representation of Fuzzy Functions

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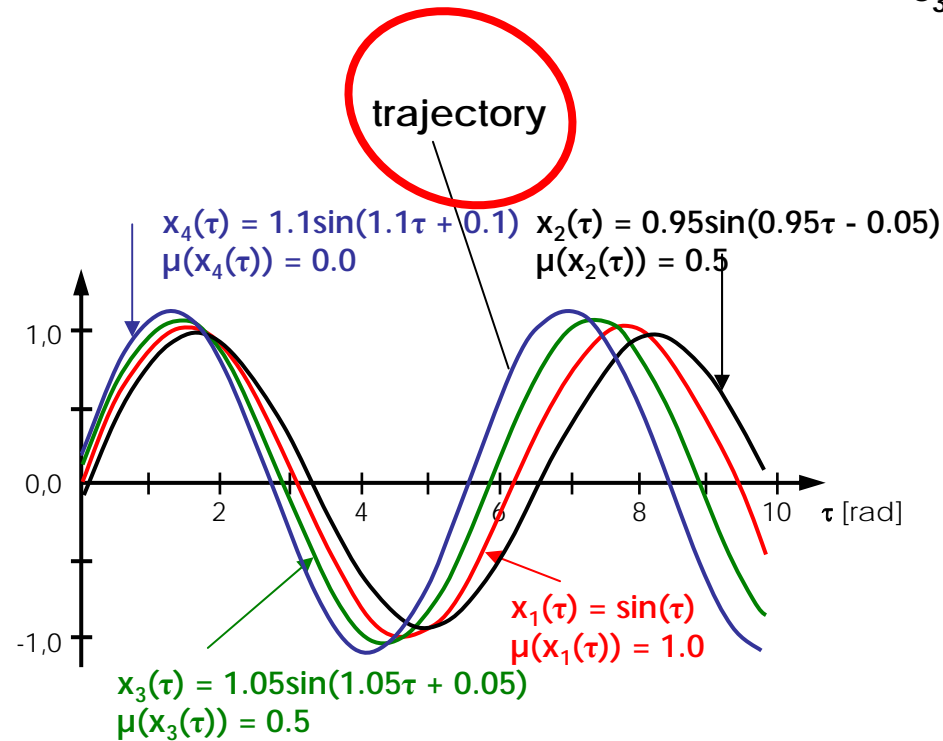
$$\tilde{\underline{x}}(t) = \underline{x}(\tilde{\underline{s}}, t) \quad (\text{as recapitulation})$$

$$\tilde{\underline{x}}(\tau) = \underline{x}(\tilde{\underline{s}}, \tau) = \tilde{s}_1 \cdot \sin(\tilde{s}_2 \cdot \tau + \tilde{s}_3) \quad \text{with } \tilde{\underline{s}} = (\tilde{s}_1, \tilde{s}_2, \tilde{s}_3)$$

$$\tilde{s}_1 = \langle 0.9, 1.0, 1.1 \rangle$$

$$\tilde{s}_2 = \langle 0.9, 1.0, 1.1 \rangle$$

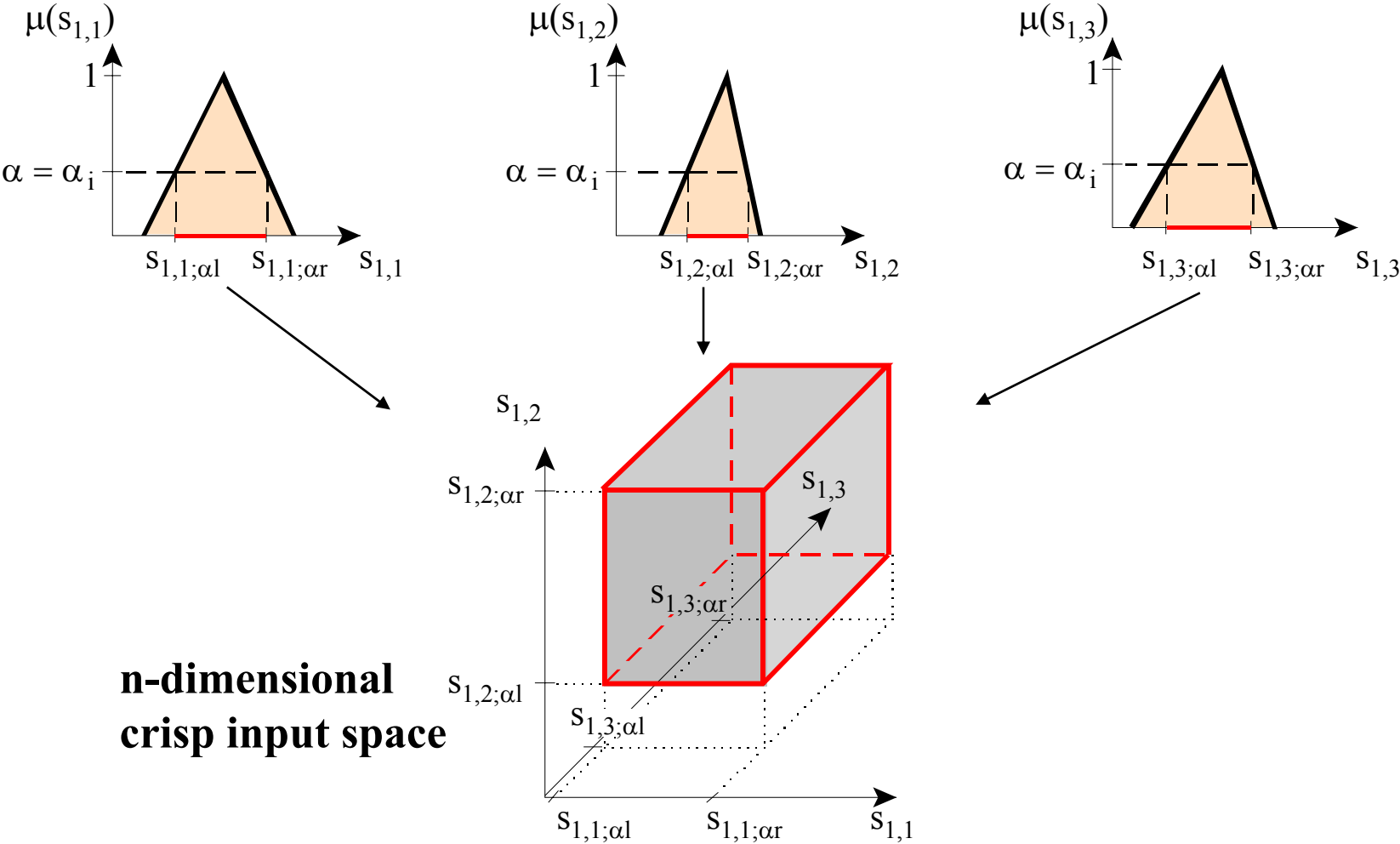
$$\tilde{s}_3 = \langle -0.1, 0.0, 0.1 \rangle$$





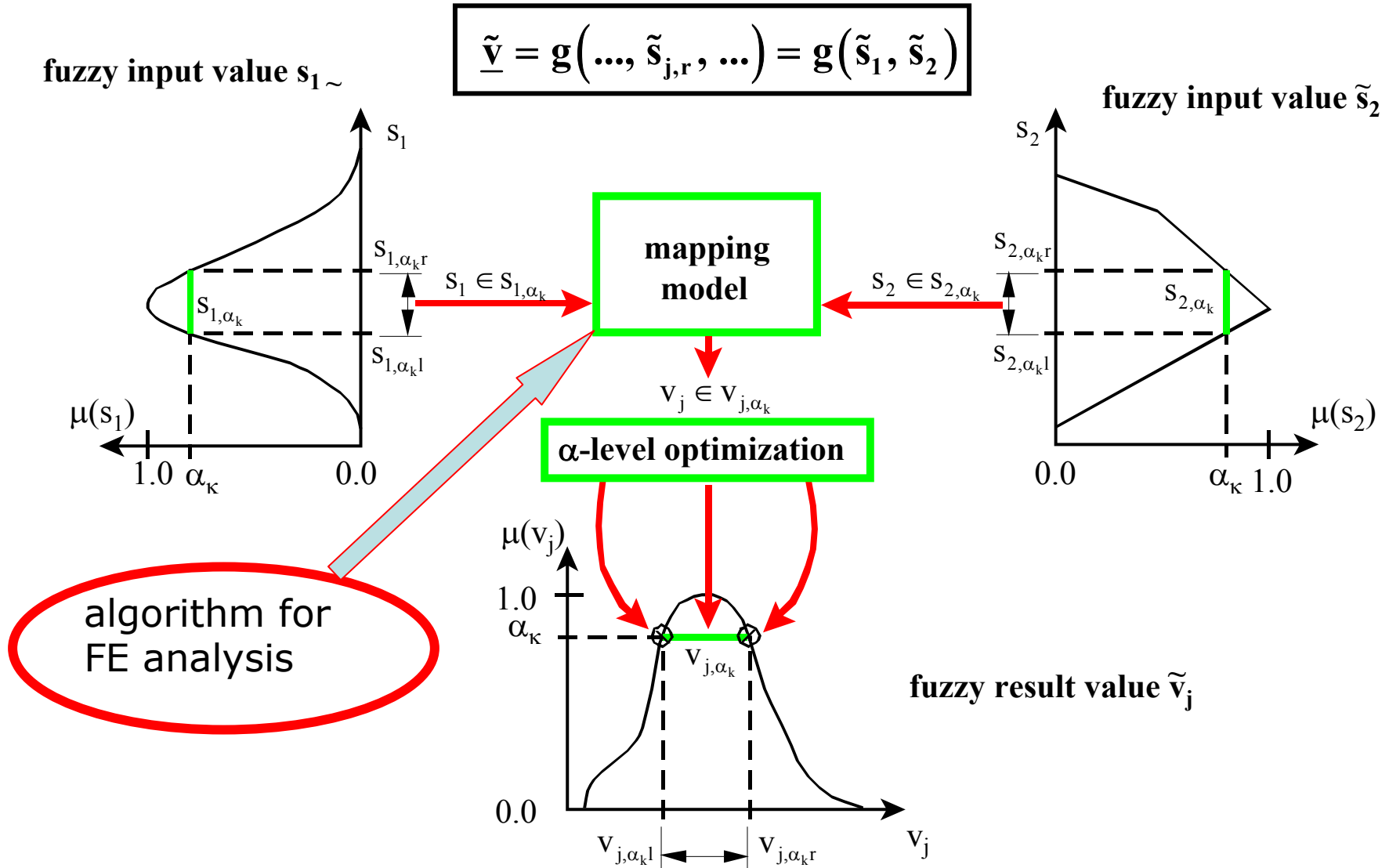
# Solution technique for time-independent problems

## Generation of uncertain input spaces (bunch parameter $\tilde{s}_{1,1}, \tilde{s}_{1,2}, \tilde{s}_{1,3}$ )



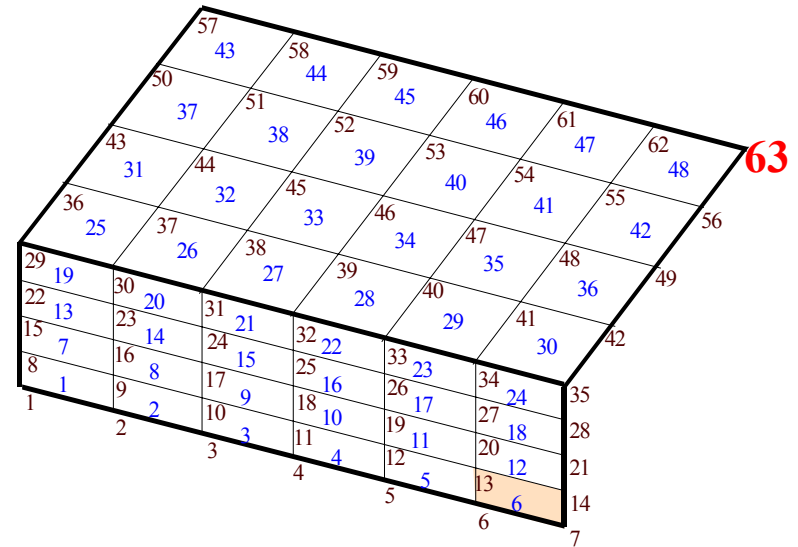
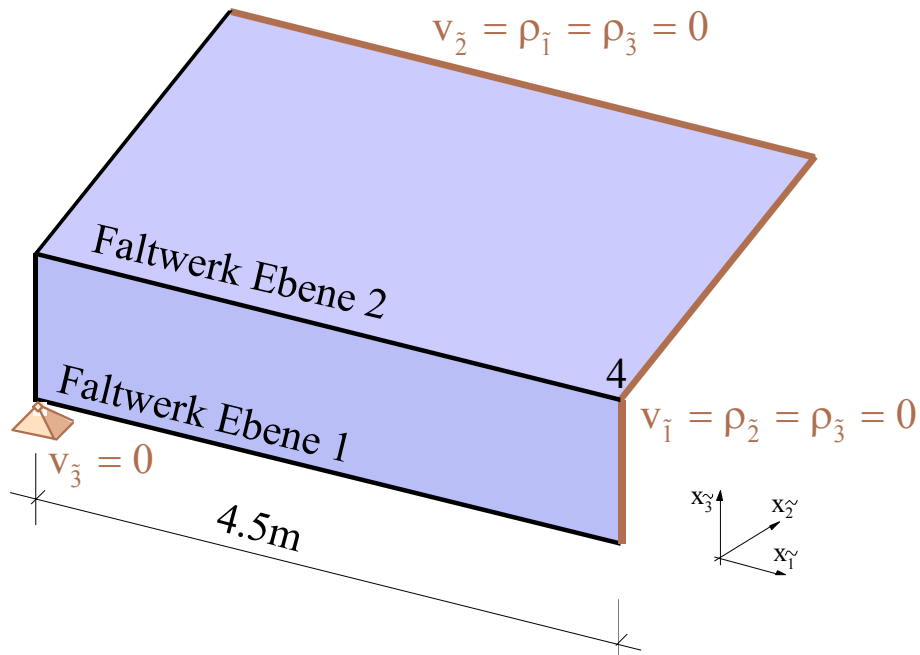
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# Example: geometry and finite element model

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concrete C 20/25:

layer 1-7

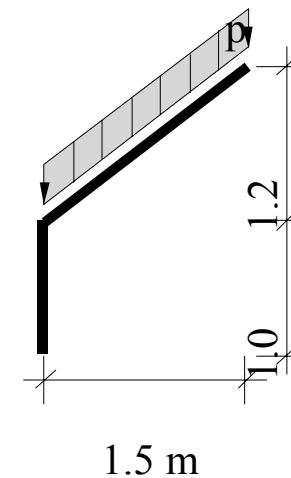
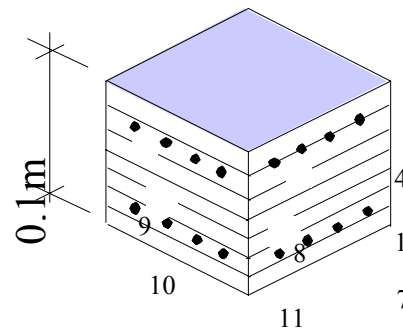
reinforcement S 500:

layer 8 7.85 cm<sup>2</sup>/m

layer 9 2.52 cm<sup>2</sup>/m

layer 10 2.52 cm<sup>2</sup>/m

layer 11 7.85 cm<sup>2</sup>/m

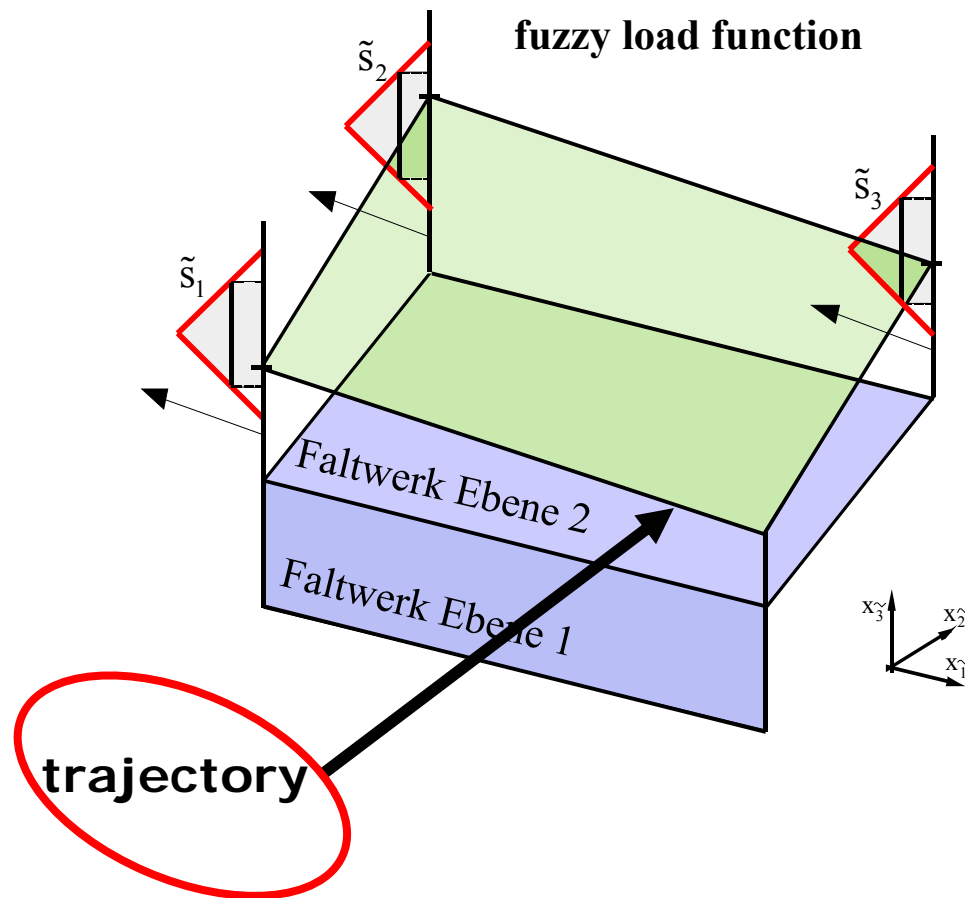


**reinforced concrete structure**

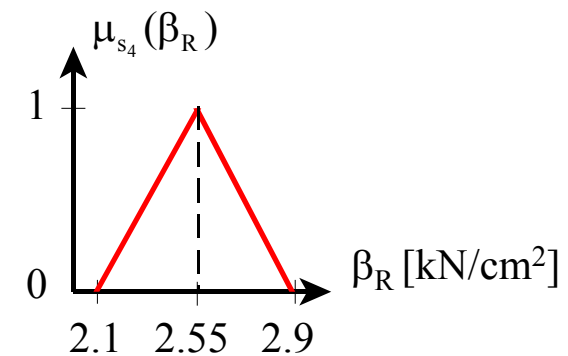
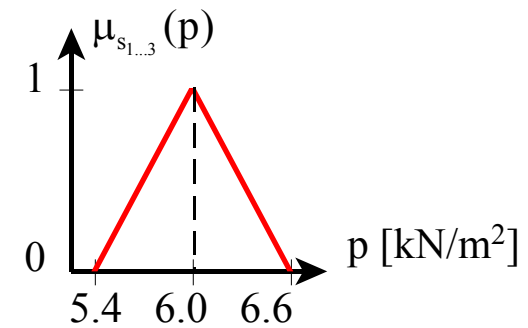
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## fuzzy input values



## bunch parameter

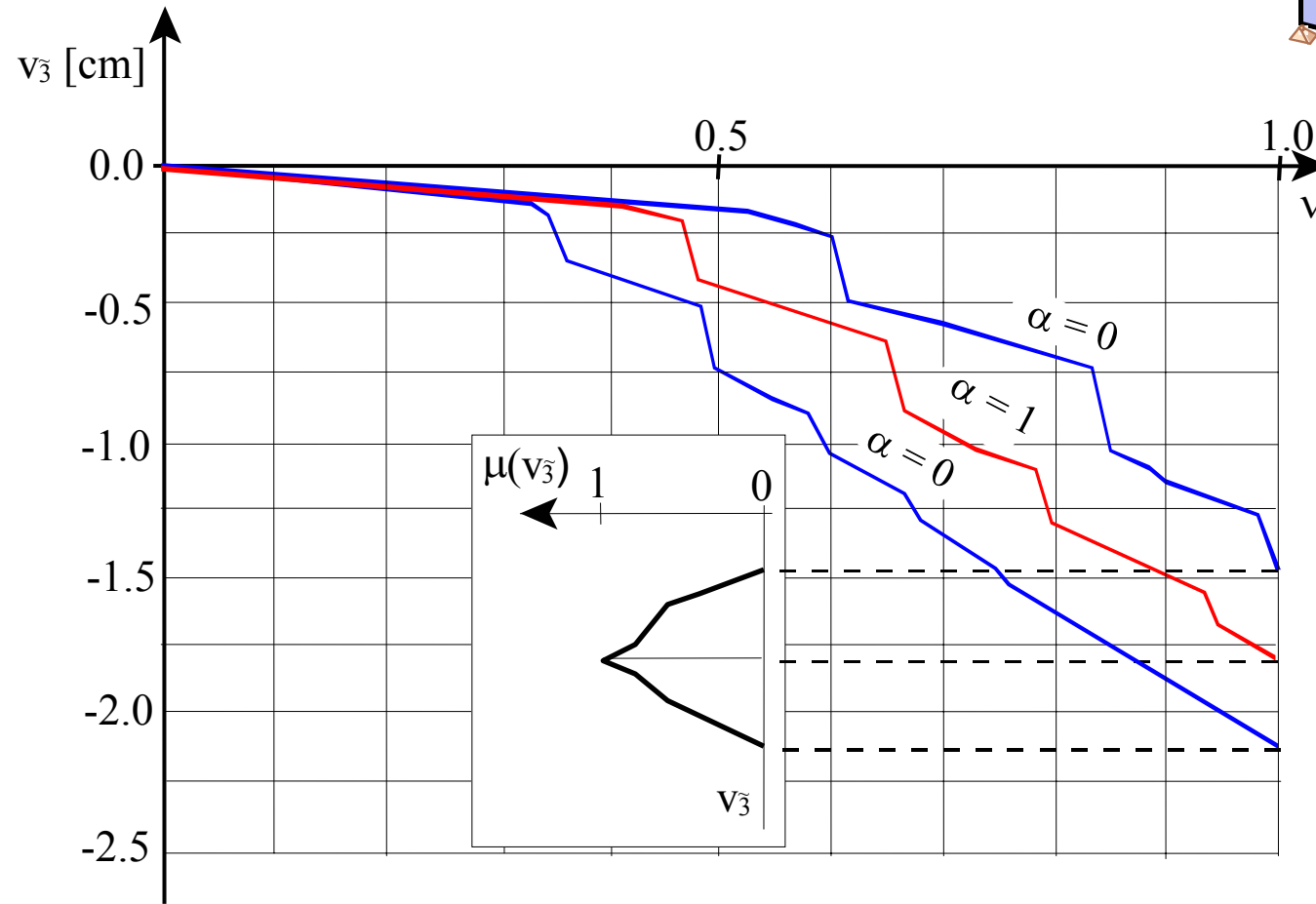
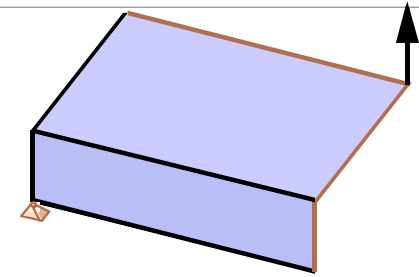


concrete compressive strength  
= stationary fuzzy field

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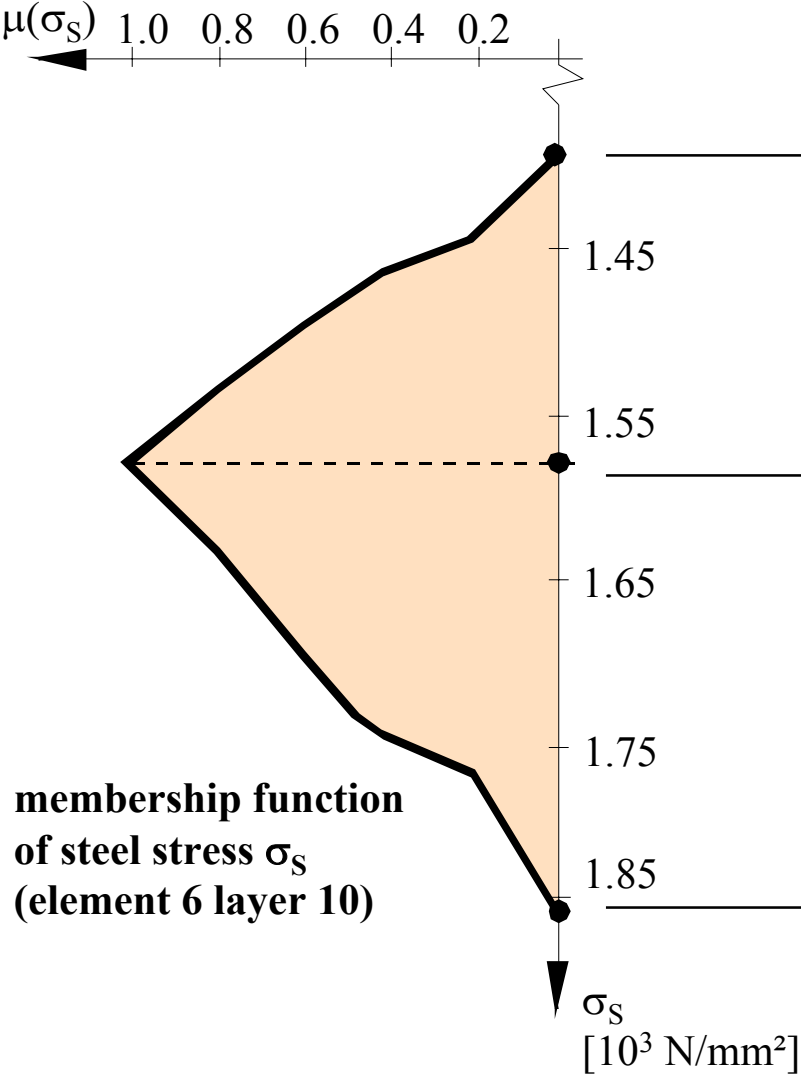
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## Fuzzy load-displacement dependency for $v_3$ (node 63)

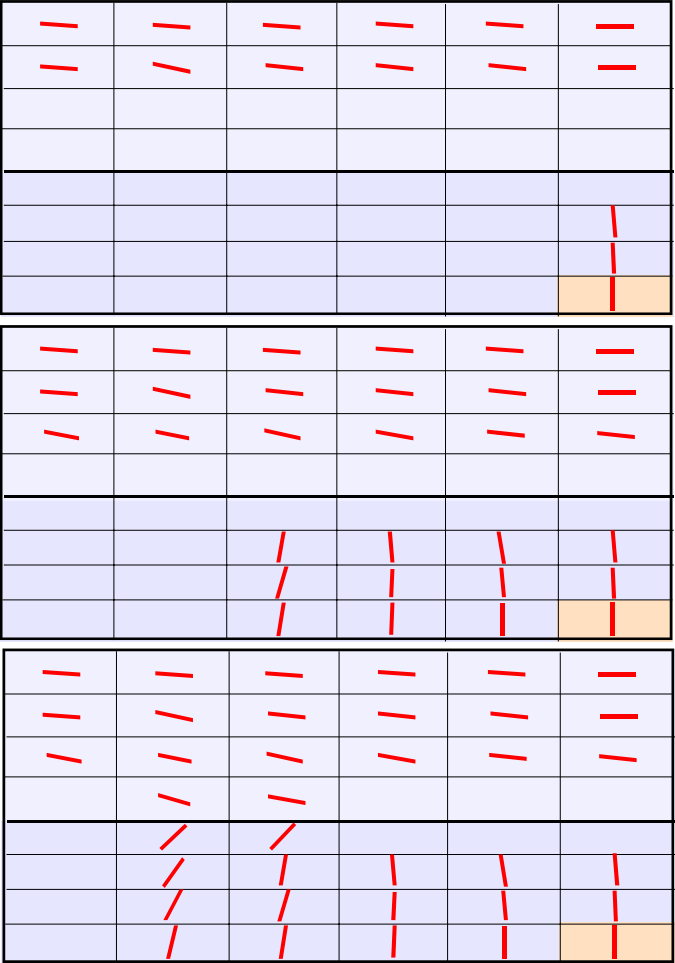


$v$  ... load factor

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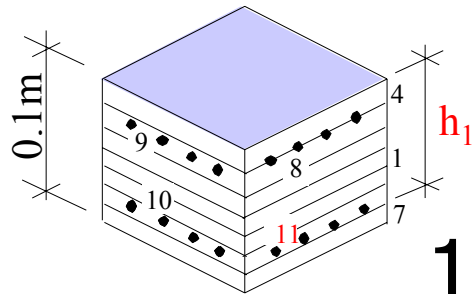
specific crack distribution in layer 1 for marked points



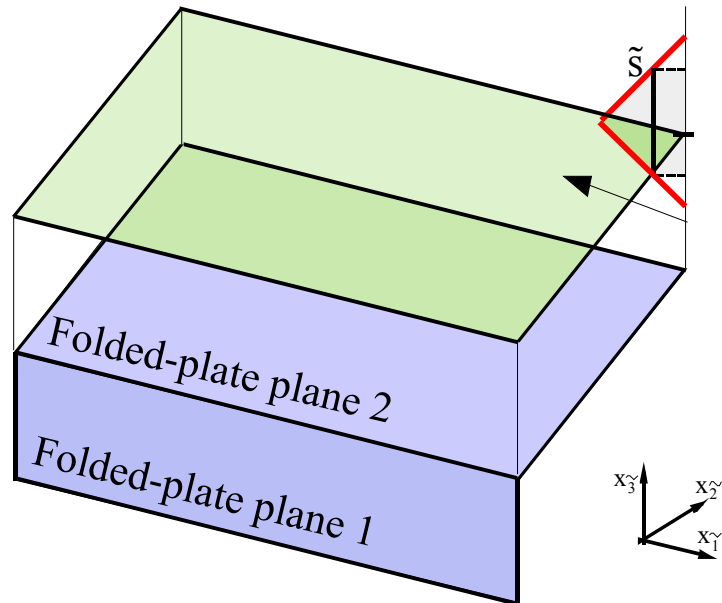
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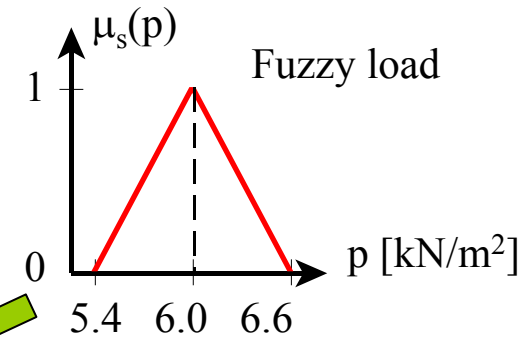
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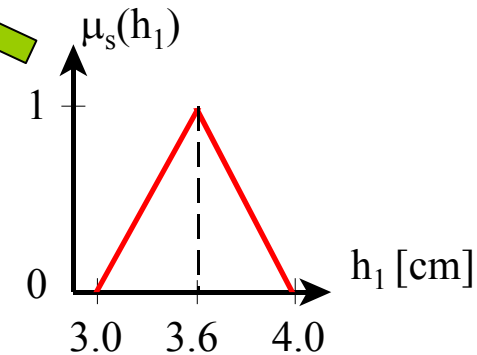
**1** fuzzy function with one bunch parameter



## fuzzy bunch parameter



**2** fuzzy arrangement of reinforcement (only plane 2)

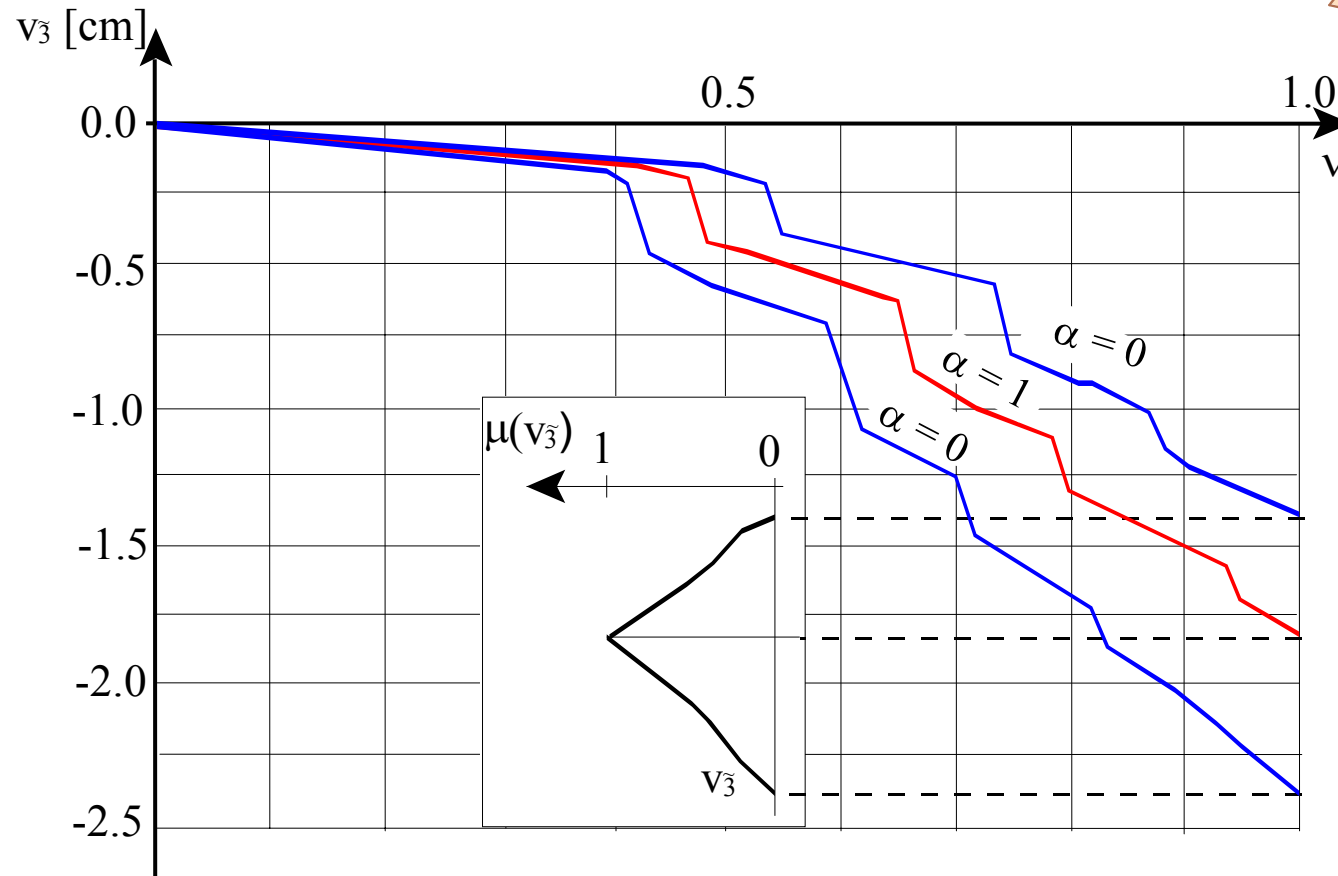
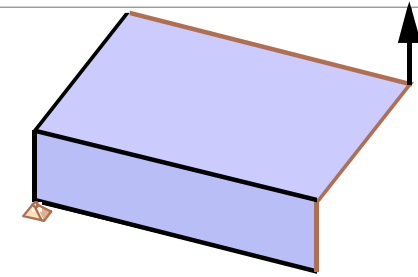


both: stationary fuzzy fields

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## Fuzzy load-displacement dependency for $v_3$ (node 63)



$v$  ... load factor



Thank you !