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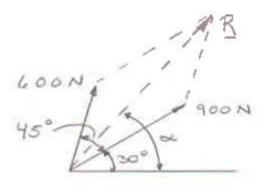
# 600 N 45° 900 N

## **PROBLEM 2.1**

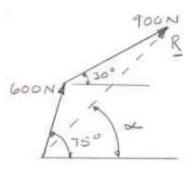
Two forces are applied as shown to a hook. Determine graphically the magnitude and direction of their resultant using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**

(a) Parallelogram law:



(b) Triangle rule:

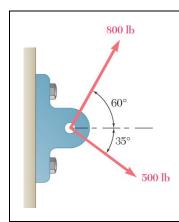


We measure:

 $R = 1391 \text{ kN}, \quad \alpha = 47.8^{\circ}$ 

R = 1391 N 47.8°

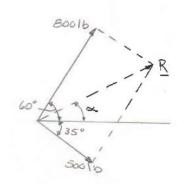
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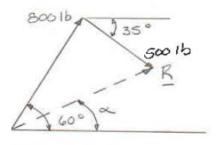
Two forces are applied as shown to a bracket support. Determine graphically the magnitude and direction of their resultant using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**

(a) Parallelogram law:



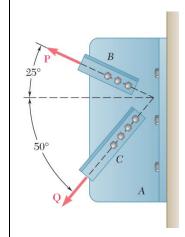
(b) Triangle rule:



We measure:

$$R = 906 \text{ lb}, \quad \alpha = 26.6^{\circ}$$

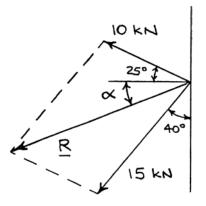
$$R = 906 \text{ lb} \angle 26.6^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



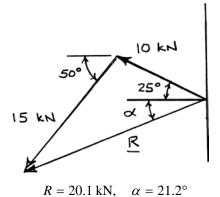
Two structural members B and C are bolted to bracket A. Knowing that both members are in tension and that P=10 kN and Q=15 kN, determine graphically the magnitude and direction of the resultant force exerted on the bracket using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**

(a) Parallelogram law:

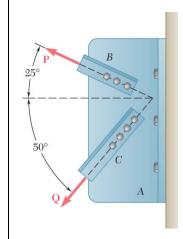


(b) Triangle rule:



We measure:

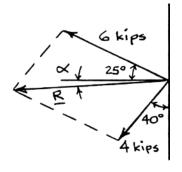
 $R = 20.1 \text{ kN} \implies 21.2^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



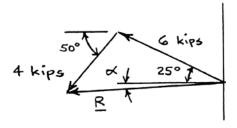
Two structural members B and C are bolted to bracket A. Knowing that both members are in tension and that P=6 kips and Q=4 kips, determine graphically the magnitude and direction of the resultant force exerted on the bracket using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**

(a) Parallelogram law:



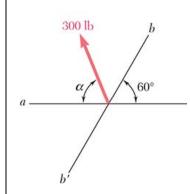
(b) Triangle rule:



We measure:

 $R = 8.03 \text{ kips}, \quad \alpha = 3.8^{\circ}$ 

 $\mathbf{R} = 8.03 \,\mathrm{kips} \, \mathbf{7} \, 3.8^{\circ} \, \mathbf{4}$ 



The 300-lb force is to be resolved into components along lines a-a' and b-b'. (a) Determine the angle  $\alpha$  by trigonometry knowing that the component along line a-a' is to be 240 lb. (b) What is the corresponding value of the component along b-b'?

## **SOLUTION**

(a) Using the triangle rule and law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin \beta}{240 \text{ lb}} = \frac{\sin 60^{\circ}}{300 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\sin \beta = 0.69282$$

$$\beta = 43.854^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha + \beta + 60^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha = 180^{\circ} - 60^{\circ} - 43.854^{\circ}$$

= 76.146°

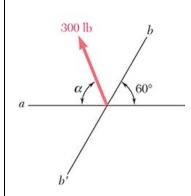
(b) Law of sines:

$$\frac{F_{bb'}}{\sin 76.146^{\circ}} = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{\sin 60^{\circ}}$$

$$F_{bb'} = 336 \text{ lb } \blacktriangleleft$$

 $\alpha = 76.1^{\circ}$ 

F = 3001b



The 300-lb force is to be resolved into components along lines a-a' and b-b'. (a) Determine the angle  $\alpha$  by trigonometry knowing that the component along line b-b' is to be 120 lb. (b) What is the corresponding value of the component along a-a'?

## **SOLUTION**

(b)

Using the triangle rule and law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{120 \text{ lb}} = \frac{\sin 60^{\circ}}{300 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\sin \alpha = 0.34641$$

$$\alpha=20.268^\circ$$

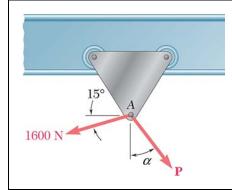
$$\alpha + \beta + 60^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\beta = 180^{\circ} - 60^{\circ} - 20.268^{\circ}$$
  
= 99.732°

$$\frac{F_{aa'}}{\sin 99.732^{\circ}} = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{\sin 60^{\circ}}$$

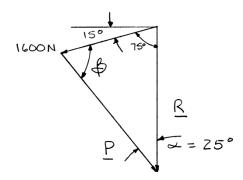
$$\alpha = 20.3^{\circ}$$

$$F_{aa'} = 341 \text{ lb}$$



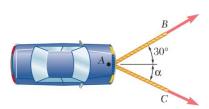
A trolley that moves along a horizontal beam is acted upon by two forces as shown. (a) Knowing that  $\alpha = 25^{\circ}$ , determine by trigonometry the magnitude of the force **P** so that the resultant force exerted on the trolley is vertical. (b) What is the corresponding magnitude of the resultant?

## **SOLUTION**



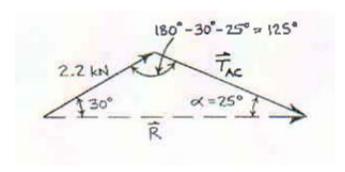
Using the triangle rule and the law of sines:

(a) 
$$\frac{1600 \text{ N}}{\sin 25^{\circ}} = \frac{P}{\sin 75^{\circ}}$$
  $P = 3660 \text{ N}$ 



A disabled automobile is pulled by means of two ropes as shown. The tension in rope AB is 2.2 kN, and the angle  $\alpha$  is 25°. Knowing that the resultant of the two forces applied at A is directed along the axis of the automobile, determine by trigonometry (a) the tension in rope AC, (b) the magnitude of the resultant of the two forces applied at A.

## **SOLUTION**



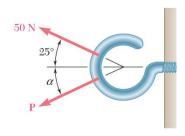
Using the law of sines:

$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 30^{\circ}} = \frac{R}{\sin 125^{\circ}} = \frac{2.2 \text{ kN}}{\sin 25^{\circ}}$$

$$T_{AC} = 2.603 \text{ kN}$$
$$R = 4.264 \text{ kN}$$

(a) 
$$T_{AC} = 2.60 \text{ kN} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) 
$$R = 4.26 \text{ kN} \blacktriangleleft$$



Two forces are applied as shown to a hook support. Knowing that the magnitude of **P** is 35 N, determine by trigonometry (a) the required angle  $\alpha$  if the resultant **R** of the two forces applied to the support is to be horizontal, (b) the corresponding magnitude of **R**.

## **SOLUTION**

(*b*)

Using the triangle rule and law of sines:

(a) 
$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{50 \text{ N}} = \frac{\sin 25^{\circ}}{35 \text{ N}}$$
$$\sin \alpha = 0.60374$$

$$\alpha = 37.138^{\circ}$$

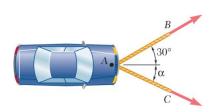
$$\alpha + \beta + 25^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\beta = 180^{\circ} - 25^{\circ} - 37.138^{\circ}$$
  
= 117.862°

$$\frac{R}{\sin 117.862^{\circ}} = \frac{35 \text{ N}}{\sin 25^{\circ}}$$

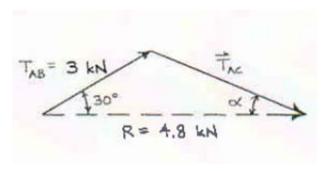
$$\alpha = 37.1^{\circ}$$

$$R = 73.2 \text{ N}$$



A disabled automobile is pulled by means of two ropes as shown. Knowing that the tension in rope AB is 3 kN, determine by trigonometry the tension in rope AC and the value of  $\alpha$  so that the resultant force exerted at A is a 4.8-kN force directed along the axis of the automobile.

## **SOLUTION**



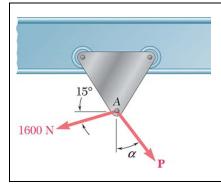
Using the law of cosines:  $T_{AC}^2 = (3 \text{ kN})^2 + (4.8 \text{ kN})^2 - 2(3 \text{ kN})(4.8 \text{ kN})\cos 30^\circ$ 

 $T_{AC} = 2.6643 \text{ kN}$ 

Using the law of sines:  $\frac{\sin \alpha}{3 \text{ kN}} = \frac{\sin 30^{\circ}}{2.6643 \text{ kN}}$ 

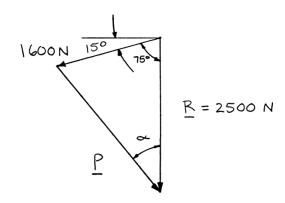
 $\alpha = 34.3^{\circ}$ 

 $T_{AC} = 2.66 \text{ kN} \le 34.3^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



A trolley that moves along a horizontal beam is acted upon by two forces as shown. Determine by trigonometry the magnitude and direction of the force  $\bf P$  so that the resultant is a vertical force of 2500 N.

## **SOLUTION**



Using the law of cosines:  $P^2 = (1600 \text{ N})^2 + (2500 \text{ N})^2 - 2(1600 \text{ N})(2500 \text{ N})\cos 75^\circ$ 

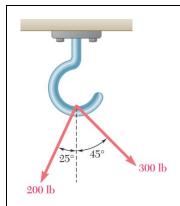
P = 2596 N

Using the law of sines:  $\frac{\sin \alpha}{1600 \text{ N}} = \frac{\sin 75^{\circ}}{2596 \text{ N}}$ 

 $\alpha = 36.5^{\circ}$ 

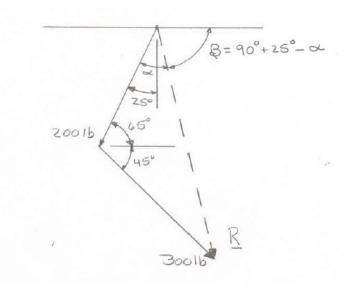
*P* is directed  $90^{\circ} - 36.5^{\circ}$  or  $53.5^{\circ}$  below the horizontal.

 $P = 2600 \text{ N} \le 53.5^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



For the hook support shown, determine by trigonometry the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the two forces applied to the support.

## **SOLUTION**



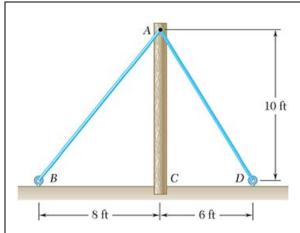
Using the law of cosines:

$$R^{2} = (200 \text{ lb})^{2} + (300 \text{ lb})^{2}$$
$$-2(200 \text{ lb})(300 \text{ lb})\cos(45^{\circ} + 65^{\circ})$$
$$R = 413.57 \text{ lb}$$

Using the law of sines:

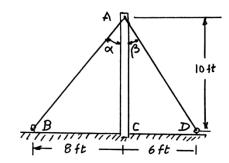
$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{300 \text{ lb}} = \frac{\sin (45^{\circ} + 65^{\circ})}{413.57 \text{ lb}}$$
$$\alpha = 42.972^{\circ}$$

$$\beta = 90^{\circ} + 25^{\circ} - 42.972^{\circ}$$



The cable stays AB and AD help support pole AC. Knowing that the tension is 120 lb in AB and 40 lb in AD, determine graphically the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the forces exerted by the stays at A using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**



$$\tan \alpha = \frac{8}{10}$$

$$\alpha = 38.66^{\circ}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{6}{10}$$

$$\beta = 30.96^{\circ}$$

Using the triangle rule:

$$\alpha + \beta + \psi = 180^{\circ}$$

$$38.66^{\circ} + 30.96^{\circ} + \psi = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\psi = 110.38^{\circ}$$

Using the law of cosines:

$$R^2 = (120 \text{ lb})^2 + (40 \text{ lb})^2 - 2(120 \text{ lb})(40 \text{ lb})\cos 110.38^\circ$$

$$R = 139.08 \text{ lb}$$

Using the law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin \gamma}{40 \text{ lb}} = \frac{\sin 110.38^{\circ}}{139.08 \text{ lb}}$$

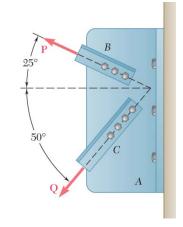
$$\gamma = 15.64^{\circ}$$

$$\phi = (90^{\circ} - \alpha) + \gamma$$

$$\phi = (90^{\circ} - 38.66^{\circ}) + 15.64^{\circ}$$

$$\phi = 66.98^{\circ}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = 139.1 \, \text{lb} \ \ \mathbf{Z} \ 67.0^{\circ} \ \ \blacktriangleleft$$



Solve Problem 2.4 by trigonometry.

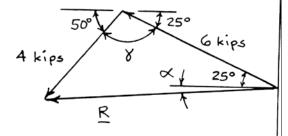
**PROBLEM 2.4:** Two structural members B and C are bolted to bracket A. Knowing that both members are in tension and that P=6 kips and Q=4 kips, determine graphically the magnitude and direction of the resultant force exerted on the bracket using (a) the parallelogram law, (b) the triangle rule.

## **SOLUTION**

Using the force triangle and the laws of cosines and sines:

We have:

$$\gamma = 180^{\circ} - (50^{\circ} + 25^{\circ})$$
  
= 105°



Then

$$R^2 = (4 \text{ kips})^2 + (6 \text{ kips})^2 - 2(4 \text{ kips})(6 \text{ kips})\cos 105^\circ$$

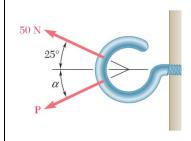
$$= 64.423 \text{ kips}^2$$

$$R = 8.0264 \text{ kips}$$

And

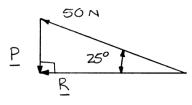
$$\frac{4 \text{ kips}}{\sin(25^{\circ} + \alpha)} = \frac{8.0264 \text{ kips}}{\sin 105^{\circ}}$$
$$\sin(25^{\circ} + \alpha) = 0.48137$$
$$25^{\circ} + \alpha = 28.775^{\circ}$$
$$\alpha = 3.775^{\circ}$$

 $\mathbf{R} = 8.03 \text{ kips } \mathbf{Z} 3.8^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



For the hook support of Prob. 2.9, determine by trigonometry (a) the magnitude and direction of the smallest force **P** for which the resultant **R** of the two forces applied to the support is horizontal, (b) the corresponding magnitude of **R**.

## **SOLUTION**



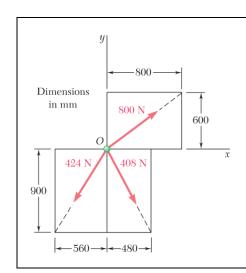
The smallest force P will be perpendicular to R.

(a)  $P = (50 \text{ N}) \sin 25^{\circ}$ 

 $\mathbf{P} = 21.1 \,\mathrm{N} \,\mathbf{\downarrow} \,\blacktriangleleft$ 

(b)  $R = (50 \text{ N})\cos 25^{\circ}$ 

R = 45.3 N



Determine the *x* and *y* components of each of the forces shown.

#### **SOLUTION**

Compute the following distances:

$$OA = \sqrt{(600)^2 + (800)^2}$$
$$= 1000 \text{ mm}$$

$$OB = \sqrt{(560)^2 + (900)^2}$$
$$= 1060 \text{ mm}$$

$$OC = \sqrt{(480)^2 + (900)^2}$$

800-N Force: 
$$F_x = +(800 \text{ N}) \frac{800}{1000}$$

$$F_y = +(800 \text{ N}) \frac{600}{1000}$$

424-N Force: 
$$F_x = -(424 \text{ N}) \frac{560}{1060}$$

$$F_y = -(424 \text{ N}) \frac{900}{1060}$$

408-N Force: 
$$F_x = +(408 \text{ N}) \frac{480}{1020}$$

$$F_y = -(408 \text{ N}) \frac{900}{1020}$$

$$F_x = +640 \text{ N}$$

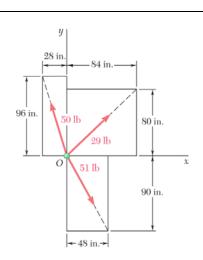
$$F_{y} = +480 \text{ N}$$

$$F_x = -224 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{y} = -360 \text{ N}$$

$$F_x = +192.0 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{\rm v} = -360 \; {\rm N} \; \blacktriangleleft$$



Determine the *x* and *y* components of each of the forces shown.

## **SOLUTION**

51-lb Force:

Compute the following distances:

$$OA = \sqrt{(84)^2 + (80)^2}$$
  
= 116 in.

$$OB = \sqrt{(28)^2 + (96)^2}$$
  
= 100 in.

$$OC = \sqrt{(48)^2 + (90)^2}$$
  
= 102 in.

29-lb Force: 
$$F_x = +(29 \text{ lb}) \frac{84}{116}$$

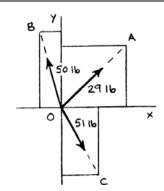
$$F_y = +(29 \text{ lb})\frac{80}{116}$$

50-lb Force: 
$$F_x = -(50 \text{ lb}) \frac{28}{100}$$

$$F_y = +(50 \text{ lb}) \frac{96}{100}$$

$$F_x = +(51 \text{ lb}) \frac{48}{102}$$

$$F_y = -(51 \text{ lb}) \frac{90}{102}$$



$$F_x = +21.0 \text{ lb}$$

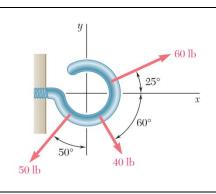
$$F_y = +20.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_x = -14.00 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{y} = +48.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_x = +24.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{\rm y} = -45.0 \; {\rm lb} \; \blacktriangleleft$$



Determine the x and y components of each of the forces shown.

## **SOLUTION**

40-lb Force:  $F_x = +(40 \text{ lb})\cos 60^\circ$   $F_x = 20.0 \text{ lb}$ 

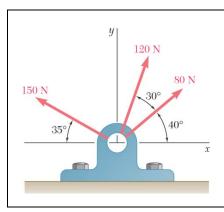
 $F_y = -(40 \text{ lb}) \sin 60^\circ$   $F_y = -34.6 \text{ lb}$ 

50-lb Force:  $F_x = -(50 \text{ lb}) \sin 50^\circ$   $F_x = -38.3 \text{ lb}$ 

 $F_{v} = -(50 \text{ lb})\cos 50^{\circ}$   $F_{v} = -32.1 \text{ lb}$ 

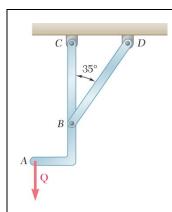
60-lb Force:  $F_x = +(60 \text{ lb}) \cos 25^\circ$   $F_x = 54.4 \text{ lb}$ 

 $F_y = +(60 \text{ lb}) \sin 25^\circ$   $F_y = 25.4 \text{ lb}$ 



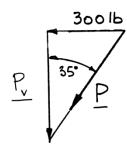
Determine the *x* and *y* components of each of the forces shown.

SOLUTION		
80-N Force:	$F_x = +(80 \text{ N})\cos 40^{\circ}$	$F_x = 61.3 \text{ N}$
	$F_y = +(80 \text{ N})\sin 40^{\circ}$	$F_{y} = 51.4 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$
120-N Force:	$F_x = +(120 \text{ N})\cos 70^{\circ}$	$F_x = 41.0 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$
	$F_y = +(120 \text{ N})\sin 70^\circ$	$F_y = 112.8 \text{ N}$
150-N Force:	$F_x = -(150 \text{ N})\cos 35^\circ$	$F_x = -122.9 \text{ N}$
	$F_y = +(150 \text{ N})\sin 35^\circ$	$F_y = 86.0 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$



Member BD exerts on member ABC a force  $\mathbf{P}$  directed along line BD. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P}$  must have a 300-lb horizontal component, determine (a) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$ , (b) its vertical component.

# **SOLUTION**



(*a*)

$$P\sin 35^\circ = 300 \text{ lb}$$

$$P = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{\sin 35^{\circ}}$$

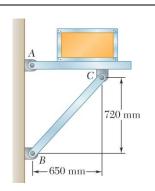
P = 523 lb

(b) Vertical component

$$P_v = P \cos 35^\circ$$

$$= (523 \text{ lb})\cos 35^{\circ}$$

 $P_{v} = 428 \, \text{lb}$ 



Member BC exerts on member AC a force  $\mathbf{P}$  directed along line BC. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P}$  must have a 325-N horizontal component, determine (a) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$ , (b) its vertical component.

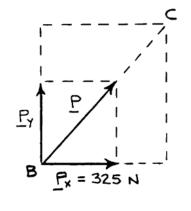
## **SOLUTION**

or

$$BC = \sqrt{(650 \text{ mm})^2 + (720 \text{ mm})^2}$$
$$= 970 \text{ mm}$$

$$(a) P_x = P\left(\frac{650}{970}\right)$$

$$P = P_x \left(\frac{970}{650}\right)$$
$$= 325 \text{ N} \left(\frac{970}{650}\right)$$
$$= 485 \text{ N}$$

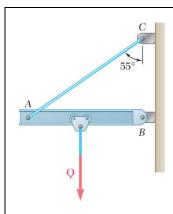


(b) 
$$P_{y} = P\left(\frac{720}{970}\right)$$
$$= 485 \text{ N}\left(\frac{720}{970}\right)$$

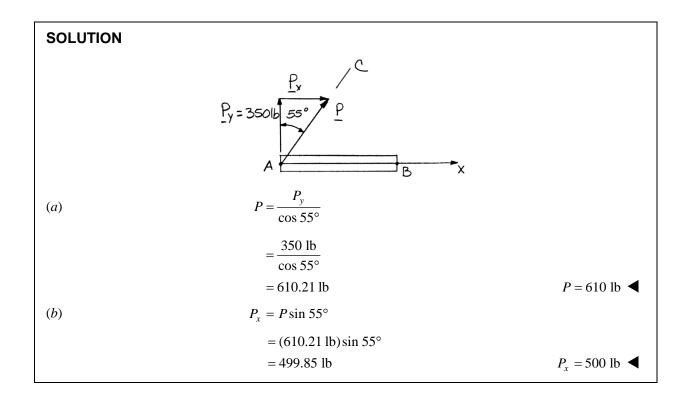
 $P_{y} = 970 \text{ N}$ 

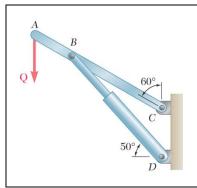
P = 485 N

= 360 N

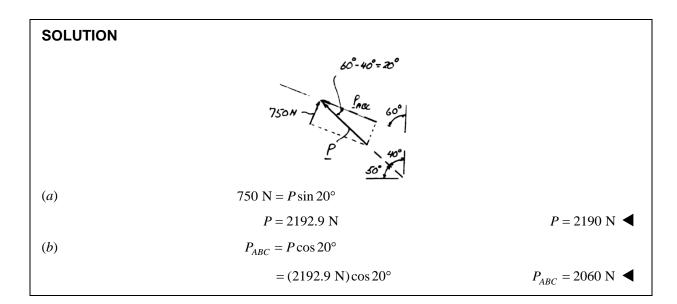


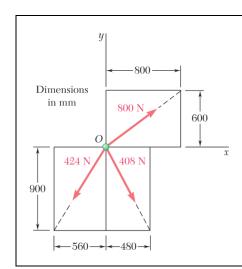
Cable AC exerts on beam AB a force  $\mathbf{P}$  directed along line AC. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P}$  must have a 350-lb vertical component, determine (a) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$ , (b) its horizontal component.





The hydraulic cylinder BD exerts on member ABC a force  $\mathbf{P}$  directed along line BD. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P}$  must have a 750-N component perpendicular to member ABC, determine (a) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$ , (b) its component parallel to ABC.





Determine the resultant of the three forces of Problem 2.16.

**PROBLEM 2.16** Determine the x and y components of each of the forces shown.

## **SOLUTION**

Components of the forces were determined in Problem 2.16:

Force	x Comp. (N)	y Comp. (N)
800 lb	+640	+480
424 lb	-224	-360
408 lb	+192	-360
	$R_x = +608$	$R_{y} = -240$

$$\mathbf{R} = R_x \mathbf{i} + R_y \mathbf{j}$$

$$= (608 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{i} + (-240 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{j}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

$$= \frac{240}{608}$$

$$\alpha = 21.541^{\circ}$$

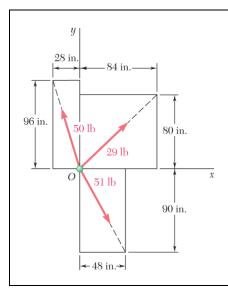
$$R = \frac{240 \text{ N}}{\sin(21.541^{\circ})}$$

= 653.65 N

$$\frac{R_{x} = 608}{2}$$

$$\frac{R_{x}}{R_{y}} = -240$$

 $R = 654 \text{ N} \le 21.5^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Determine the resultant of the three forces of Problem 2.17.

**PROBLEM 2.17** Determine the x and y components of each of the forces shown.

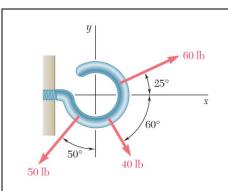
## **SOLUTION**

Components of the forces were determined in Problem 2.17:

Force	x Comp. (lb)	y Comp. (lb)
29 lb	+21.0	+20.0
50 lb	-14.00	+48.0
51 lb	+24.0	-45.0
	$R_x = +31.0$	$R_{y} = +23.0$

$$\mathbf{R} = R_x \mathbf{i} + R_y \mathbf{j}$$
= (31.0 lb)\mathbf{i} + (23.0 lb)\mathbf{j}
$$\tan \alpha = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$
= \frac{23.0}{31.0}
\alpha = 36.573^\circ
$$R = \frac{23.0 \text{ lb}}{\sin (36.573^\circ)}$$
= 38.601 lb

$$\frac{R_{y} = 23.0 \text{ j}}{R_{x} = 31.0 \text{ i}}$$



Determine the resultant of the three forces of Problem 2.18.

**PROBLEM 2.18** Determine the x and y components of each of the forces shown.

# **SOLUTION**

Force	x Comp. (lb)	y Comp. (lb)
40 lb	+20.00	-34.64
50 lb	-38.30	-32.14
60 lb	+54.38	+25.36
	$R_x = +36.08$	$R_y = -41.42$

$$\mathbf{R} = R_x \mathbf{i} + R_y \mathbf{j}$$

$$= (+36.08 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{i} + (-41.42 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{j}$$

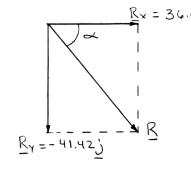
$$\tan \alpha = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

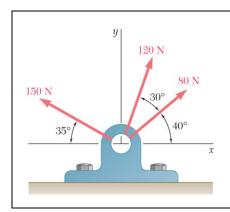
$$\tan \alpha = \frac{41.42 \text{ lb}}{36.08 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\tan \alpha = 1.14800$$

$$\alpha = 48.942^{\circ}$$

$$R = \frac{41.42 \text{ lb}}{\sin 48.942^{\circ}}$$





Determine the resultant of the three forces of Problem 2.19.

**PROBLEM 2.19** Determine the x and y components of each of the forces shown.

## **SOLUTION**

Components of the forces were determined in Problem 2.19:

Force	x Comp. (N)	y Comp. (N)
80 N	+61.3	+51.4
120 N	+41.0	+112.8
150 N	-122.9	+86.0
	$R_x = -20.6$	$R_y = +250.2$

$$\mathbf{R} = R_x \mathbf{i} + R_y \mathbf{j}$$

$$= (-20.6 \text{ N}) \mathbf{i} + (250.2 \text{ N}) \mathbf{j}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{R_y}{R_x}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{250.2 \text{ N}}{20.6 \text{ N}}$$

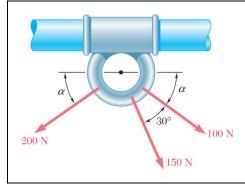
$$\tan \alpha = 12.1456$$

$$\alpha = 85.293^{\circ}$$

$$= 250.2 \text{ N}$$

$$\frac{R_{y}=z50.z_{j}}{R_{x}=-z0.6c}$$

$$R = 251 \text{ N} \ge 85.3^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



For the collar loaded as shown, determine (a) the required value of  $\alpha$  if the resultant of the three forces shown is to be vertical, (b) the corresponding magnitude of the resultant.

#### **SOLUTION**

$$R_{x} = \Sigma F_{x}$$

$$= (100 \text{ N})\cos\alpha + (150 \text{ N})\cos(\alpha + 30^{\circ}) - (200 \text{ N})\cos\alpha$$

$$R_{x} = -(100 \text{ N})\cos\alpha + (150 \text{ N})\cos(\alpha + 30^{\circ})$$

$$(1)$$

$$R_{y} = \Sigma F_{y}$$

$$= -(100 \text{ N})\sin\alpha - (150 \text{ N})\sin(\alpha + 30^{\circ}) - (200 \text{ N})\sin\alpha$$

$$R_{y} = -(300 \text{ N})\sin\alpha - (150 \text{ N})\sin(\alpha + 30^{\circ})$$

$$(2)$$

(a) For **R** to be vertical, we must have  $R_x = 0$ . We make  $R_x = 0$  in Eq. (1):

$$-100\cos\alpha + 150\cos(\alpha + 30^{\circ}) = 0$$
$$-100\cos\alpha + 150(\cos\alpha\cos30^{\circ} - \sin\alpha\sin30^{\circ}) = 0$$
$$29.904\cos\alpha = 75\sin\alpha$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{29.904}{75}$$

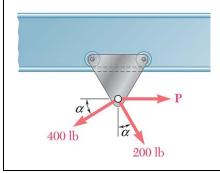
$$= 0.39872$$

$$\alpha = 21.738^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha = 21.7^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) Substituting for  $\alpha$  in Eq. (2):

$$R_y = -300 \sin 21.738^{\circ} - 150 \sin 51.738^{\circ}$$
  
= -228.89 N  
 $R = |R_y| = 228.89$  N  $R = 229$  N



A hoist trolley is subjected to the three forces shown. Knowing that  $\alpha = 40^{\circ}$ , determine (a) the required magnitude of the force **P** if the resultant of the three forces is to be vertical, (b) the corresponding magnitude of the resultant.

## **SOLUTION**

$$R_x = + \sum F_x = P + (200 \text{ lb}) \sin 40^\circ - (400 \text{ lb}) \cos 40^\circ$$
  
 $R_x = P - 177.860 \text{ lb}$  (1)

$$R_y = + \sum F_y = (200 \text{ lb})\cos 40^\circ + (400 \text{ lb})\sin 40^\circ$$
  
 $R_y = 410.32 \text{ lb}$  (2)

(a) For **R** to be vertical, we must have  $R_x = 0$ .

Set

$$R_x = 0$$
 in Eq. (1)

$$0 = P - 177.860$$
 lb

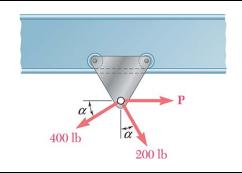
$$P = 177.860 \text{ lb}$$

P = 177.9 lb

(b) Since  $\mathbf{R}$  is to be vertical:

$$R = R_y = 410 \text{ lb}$$

R = 410 lb



A hoist trolley is subjected to the three forces shown. Knowing that P=250 lb, determine (a) the required value of  $\alpha$  if the resultant of the three forces is to be vertical, (b) the corresponding magnitude of the resultant.

#### **SOLUTION**

$$R_{x} = + \sum F_{x} = 250 \text{ lb} + (200 \text{ lb}) \sin \alpha - (400 \text{ lb}) \cos \alpha$$

$$R_{x} = 250 \text{ lb} + (200 \text{ lb}) \sin \alpha - (400 \text{ lb}) \cos \alpha$$

$$R_{y} = + \sum F_{y} = (200 \text{ lb}) \cos \alpha + (400 \text{ lb}) \sin \alpha$$
(1)

(a) For **R** to be vertical, we must have  $R_x = 0$ .

Set  $R_x = 0$  in Eq. (1)

$$0 = 250 \text{ lb} + (200 \text{ lb}) \sin \alpha - (400 \text{ lb}) \cos \alpha$$

$$(400 \text{ lb})\cos \alpha = (200 \text{ lb})\sin \alpha + 250 \text{ lb}$$

$$2\cos\alpha = \sin\alpha + 1.25$$

$$4\cos^2\alpha = \sin^2\alpha + 2.5\sin\alpha + 1.5625$$

$$4(1-\sin^2\alpha) = \sin^2\alpha + 2.5\sin\alpha + 1.5625$$

$$0 = 5\sin^2 \alpha + 2.5\sin \alpha - 2.4375$$

Using the quadratic formula to solve for the roots gives

$$\sin \alpha = 0.49162$$

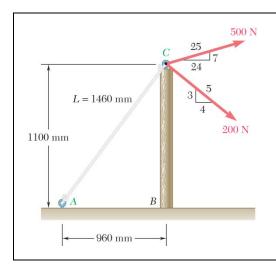
or 
$$\alpha = 29.447^{\circ}$$

 $\alpha = 29.4^{\circ}$ 

(b) Since  $\mathbf{R}$  is to be vertical:

$$R = R_y = (200 \text{ lb})\cos 29.447^\circ + (400 \text{ lb})\sin 29.447^\circ$$

 $\mathbf{R} = 371 \text{ lb}$ 



For the post loaded as shown, determine (a) the required tension in rope AC if the resultant of the three forces exerted at point C is to be horizontal, (b) the corresponding magnitude of the resultant.

#### **SOLUTION**

$$R_x = \Sigma F_x = -\frac{960}{1460} T_{AC} + \frac{24}{25} (500 \text{ N}) + \frac{4}{5} (200 \text{ N})$$

$$R_x = -\frac{48}{73} T_{AC} + 640 \text{ N}$$
(1)

$$R_y = \Sigma F_y = -\frac{1100}{1460} T_{AC} + \frac{7}{25} (500 \text{ N}) - \frac{3}{5} (200 \text{ N})$$

$$R_y = -\frac{55}{73} T_{AC} + 20 \text{ N}$$
(2)

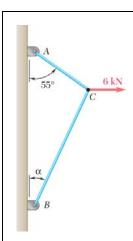
(a) For **R** to be horizontal, we must have  $R_v = 0$ .

Set 
$$R_y = 0$$
 in Eq. (2): 
$$-\frac{55}{73}T_{AC} + 20 \text{ N} = 0$$

$$T_{AC} = 26.545 \text{ N}$$
  $T_{AC} = 26.5 \text{ N}$ 

(b) Substituting for  $T_{AC}$  into Eq. (1) gives

$$R_x = -\frac{48}{73}(26.545 \text{ N}) + 640 \text{ N}$$
  
 $R_x = 622.55 \text{ N}$   
 $R = R_x = 623 \text{ N}$   $R = 623 \text{ N}$ 

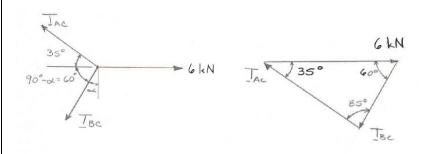


Two cables are tied together at C and are loaded as shown. Knowing that  $\alpha = 30^{\circ}$ , determine the tension (a) in cable AC, (b) in cable BC.

## **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram

Force Triangle



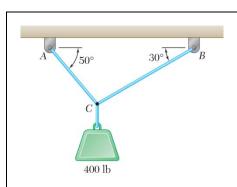
Law of sines:

$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 60^{\circ}} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 35^{\circ}} = \frac{6 \text{ kN}}{\sin 85^{\circ}}$$

(a) 
$$T_{AC} = \frac{6 \text{ kN}}{\sin 85^{\circ}} (\sin 60^{\circ})$$
  $T_{AC} = 5.22 \text{ kN} \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) 
$$T_{BC} = \frac{6 \text{ kN}}{\sin 85^{\circ}} (\sin 35^{\circ})$$
  $T_{BC} = 3.45 \text{ kN} \blacktriangleleft$ 

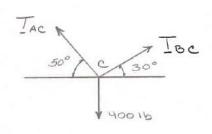
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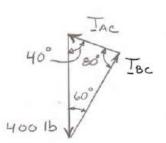
Two cables are tied together at C and are loaded as shown. Determine the tension (a) in cable AC, (b) in cable BC.

## **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram



## **Force Triangle**



Law of sines:

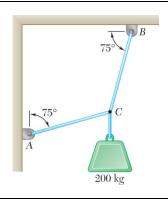
$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 60^{\circ}} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 40^{\circ}} = \frac{400 \text{ lb}}{\sin 80^{\circ}}$$

$$T_{AC} = \frac{400 \text{ lb}}{\sin 80^{\circ}} (\sin 60^{\circ})$$

$$T_{AC} = 352 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{BC} = \frac{400 \text{ lb}}{\sin 80^{\circ}} (\sin 40^{\circ})$$

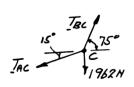
$$T_{BC} = 261 \text{ lb}$$



Two cables are tied together at C and are loaded as shown. Determine the tension (a) in cable AC, (b) in cable BC.

## **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram



$$W = mg$$
  
= (200 kg)(9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>)  
= 1962 N

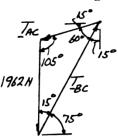
Law of sines:

(b)

$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 15^{\circ}} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 105^{\circ}} = \frac{1962 \text{ N}}{\sin 60^{\circ}}$$

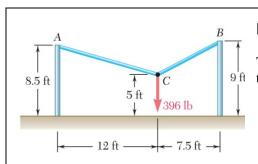
(a) 
$$T_{AC} = \frac{(1962 \text{ N}) \sin 15^{\circ}}{\sin 60^{\circ}}$$

$$T_{BC} = \frac{(1962 \text{ N})\sin 105^{\circ}}{\sin 60^{\circ}}$$



 $T_{AC} = 586 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 

 $T_{BC} = 2190 \text{ N}$ 



Two cables are tied together at C and loaded as shown. Determine the tension (a) in cable AC, (b) in cable BC.

## **SOLUTION**

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}_x = 0$$
:  $-\frac{12 \text{ ft}}{12.5 \text{ ft}} T_{AC} + \frac{7.5 \text{ ft}}{8.5 \text{ ft}} T_{BC} = 0$ 

 $T_{BC} = 1.08800T_{AC}$ 

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}_y = 0$$
:  $\frac{3.5 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ ft}} T_{AC} + \frac{4 \text{ ft}}{8.5 \text{ ft}} T_{BC} - 396 \text{ lb} = 0$ 

(a) 
$$\frac{3.5 \text{ ft}}{12.5 \text{ ft}} T_{AC} + \frac{4 \text{ ft}}{8.5 \text{ ft}} (1.08800 T_{AC}) - 396 \text{ lb} = 0$$
$$(0.28000 + 0.51200) T_{AC} = 396 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{AC} = 500.0 \text{ lb}$$

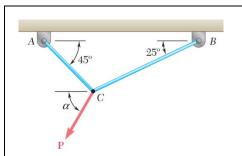
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Free Body Diagram at C:

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$$T_{AC} = 500 \text{ lb} \ \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) 
$$T_{BC} = (1.08800)(500.0 \text{ lb})$$
  $T_{BC} = 544 \text{ lb}$ 

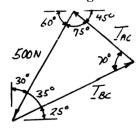


Two cables are tied together at C and are loaded as shown. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P} = 500 \text{ N}$  and  $\alpha = 60^{\circ}$ , determine the tension in (a) in cable AC, (b) in cable BC.

## **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram

Force Triangle



Law of sines:

$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 35^{\circ}} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 75^{\circ}} = \frac{500 \text{ N}}{\sin 70^{\circ}}$$

(a)

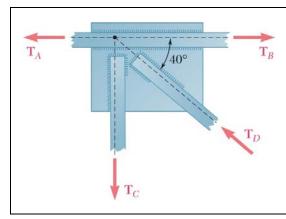
$$T_{AC} = \frac{500 \text{ N}}{\sin 70^{\circ}} \sin 35^{\circ}$$

$$T_{AC} = 305 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$

(*b*)

$$T_{BC} = \frac{500 \text{ N}}{\sin 70^{\circ}} \sin 75^{\circ}$$

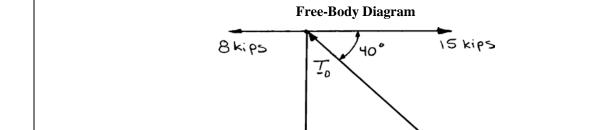
$$T_{BC} = 514 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$



**SOLUTION** 

# **PROBLEM 2.37**

Two forces of magnitude  $T_A = 8$  kips and  $T_B = 15$  kips are applied as shown to a welded connection. Knowing that the connection is in equilibrium, determine the magnitudes of the forces  $T_C$  and  $T_D$ .



$$+\Sigma F_x = 0$$
 15 kips  $-8$  kips  $-T_D \cos 40^\circ = 0$ 

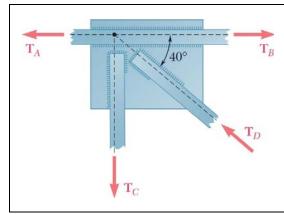
$$T_{\rm D} = 9.1379 \, {\rm kips}$$

$$(9.1379 \text{ kips}) \sin 40^{\circ} - T_C = 0$$

$$T_C = 5.8737 \text{ kips}$$

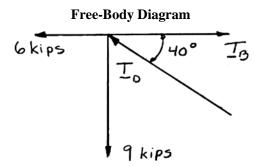
 $T_C = 5.87 \text{ kips} \blacktriangleleft$ 

 $T_D = 9.14 \text{ kips } \blacktriangleleft$ 



Two forces of magnitude  $T_A=6$  kips and  $T_C=9$  kips are applied as shown to a welded connection. Knowing that the connection is in equilibrium, determine the magnitudes of the forces  $T_B$  and  $T_D$ .

# **SOLUTION**



$$T_{B} - 6 \text{ kips} - T_{D} \cos 40^{\circ} = 0$$

$$T_{D} \sin 40^{\circ} - 9 \text{ kips} = 0$$

$$T_{D} \sin 40^{\circ} - 9 \text{ kips} = 0$$

$$T_{D} = \frac{9 \text{ kips}}{\sin 40^{\circ}}$$

$$T_{D} = 14.0015 \text{ kips}$$

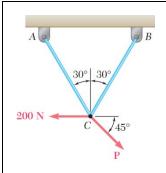
Substituting for  $T_D$  into Eq. (1) gives:

$$T_B - 6 \text{ kips} - (14.0015 \text{ kips}) \cos 40^\circ = 0$$
  
 $T_B = 16.7258 \text{ kips}$ 

 $T_B = 16.73 \text{ kips}$ 

(1)

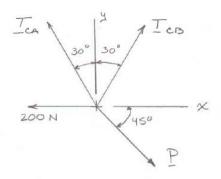
 $T_D = 14.00 \text{ kips}$ 



Two cables are tied together at C and are loaded as shown. Knowing that P =300 N, determine the tension in cables AC and BC.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
  $-T_{CA} \sin 30^\circ + T_{CB} \sin 30^\circ - P \cos 45^\circ - 200 \text{N} = 0$ 

For P = 200N we have,

$$-0.5T_{CA} + 0.5T_{CB} + 212.13 - 200 = 0$$
 (1)

$$+\int \Sigma F_{y} = 0$$

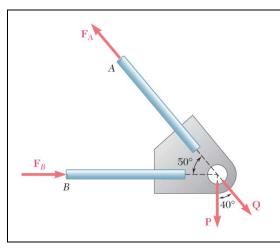
$$+ | \Sigma F_y = 0$$
  $T_{CA} \cos 30^\circ - T_{CB} \cos 30^\circ - P \sin 45^\circ = 0$ 

$$0.86603T_{CA} + 0.86603T_{CB} - 212.13 = 0$$
 (2)

Solving equations (1) and (2) simultaneously gives,

$$T_{CA} = 134.6 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{CB} = 110.4 \text{ N}$$



Two forces **P** and **Q** are applied as shown to an aircraft connection. Knowing that the connection is in equilibrium and that P = 500 lb and Q = 650 lb, determine the magnitudes of the forces exerted on the rods A and B.

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram

Resolving the forces into *x*- and *y*-directions:

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{F}_A + \mathbf{F}_B = 0$$

Substituting components:

$$\mathbf{R} = -(500 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + [(650 \text{ lb})\cos 50^{\circ}]\mathbf{i}$$
$$-[(650 \text{ lb})\sin 50^{\circ}]\mathbf{j}$$
$$+ F_{B}\mathbf{i} - (F_{A}\cos 50^{\circ})\mathbf{i} + (F_{A}\sin 50^{\circ})\mathbf{j} = 0 \quad \mathbf{F}_{B}\mathbf{i}$$

In the y-direction (one unknown force):

$$-500 \text{ lb} - (650 \text{ lb}) \sin 50^\circ + F_A \sin 50^\circ = 0$$

Thus, 
$$F_A = \frac{500 \text{ lb} + (650 \text{ lb}) \sin 50^{\circ}}{\sin 50^{\circ}}$$

$$=1302.70 \text{ lb}$$

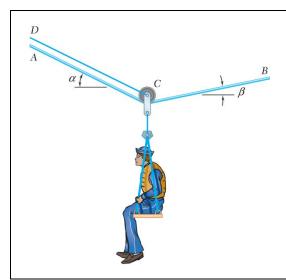
 $F_A = 1303 \, \text{lb} \, \blacktriangleleft$ 

In the x-direction:  $(650 \text{ lb})\cos 50^{\circ} + F_B - F_A \cos 50^{\circ} = 0$ 

Thus, 
$$F_B = F_A \cos 50^\circ - (650 \text{ lb}) \cos 50^\circ$$
$$= (1302.70 \text{ lb}) \cos 50^\circ - (650 \text{ lb}) \cos 50^\circ$$

$$=419.55$$
 lb

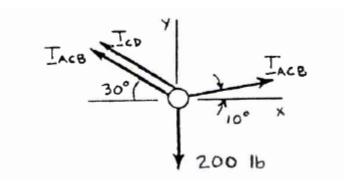
 $F_B = 420 \, \text{lb}$ 



A sailor is being rescued using a boatswain's chair that is suspended from a pulley that can roll freely on the support cable ACB and is pulled at a constant speed by cable CD. Knowing that  $\alpha=30^\circ$  and  $\beta=10^\circ$  and that the combined weight of the boatswain's chair and the sailor is 200 lb, determine the tension (a) in the support cable ACB, (b) in the traction cable CD.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
:  $T_{ACB} \cos 10^\circ - T_{ACB} \cos 30^\circ - T_{CD} \cos 30^\circ = 0$   
 $T_{CD} = 0.137158T_{ACB}$ 

$$+ \int \Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $T_{ACB} \sin 10^\circ + T_{ACB} \sin 30^\circ + T_{CD} \sin 30^\circ - 200 = 0$ 

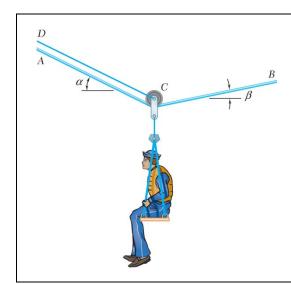
$$0.67365T_{ACB} + 0.5T_{CD} = 200 (2)$$

(1)

(a) Substitute (1) into (2):  $0.67365T_{ACB} + 0.5(0.137158T_{ACB}) = 200$ 

$$T_{ACB} = 269.46 \text{ lb}$$
  $T_{ACB} = 269 \text{ lb}$ 

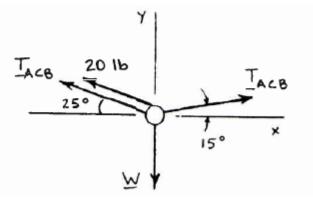
(b) From (1): 
$$T_{CD} = 0.137158(269.46 \text{ lb})$$
  $T_{CD} = 37.0 \text{ lb}$ 



A sailor is being rescued using a boatswain's chair that is suspended from a pulley that can roll freely on the support cable ACB and is pulled at a constant speed by cable CD. Knowing that  $\alpha = 25^{\circ}$  and  $\beta = 15^{\circ}$  and that the tension in cable CD is 20 lb, determine (a) the combined weight of the boatswain's chair and the sailor, (b) the tension in the support cable ACB.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
:  $T_{ACB} \cos 15^{\circ} - T_{ACB} \cos 25^{\circ} - (20 \text{ lb}) \cos 25^{\circ} = 0$ 

$$T_{ACB} = 304.04 \text{ lb}$$

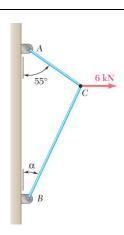
+ 
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: (304.04 lb) sin 15° + (304.04 lb) sin 25°

$$+(20 \text{ lb})\sin 25^{\circ} - W = 0$$

$$W = 215.64 \text{ lb}$$

(a) 
$$W = 216 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) 
$$T_{ACB} = 304 \text{ lb}$$

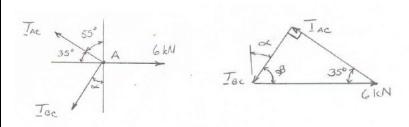


For the cables of prob. 2.32, find the value of  $\alpha$  for which the tension is as small as possible (a) in cable bc, (b) in both cables simultaneously. In each case determine the tension in each cable.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram

Force Triangle



(a) For a minimum tension in cable BC, set angle between cables to 90 degrees.

$$\alpha = 35.0^{\circ}$$

$$T_{AC} = (6 \text{ kN}) \cos 35^{\circ}$$

$$T_{AC} = 4.91 \text{ kN}$$

$$T_{BC} = (6 \text{ kN}) \sin 35^{\circ}$$

$$T_{RC} = 3.44 \text{ kN}$$

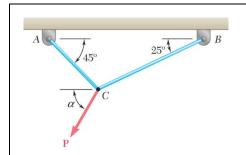
(b) For equal tension in both cables, the force triangle will be an isosceles.

Therefore, by inspection,

$$\alpha = 55.0^{\circ}$$

$$T_{AC} = T_{BC} = (1/2) \frac{6 \text{ kN}}{\cos 35^{\circ}}$$

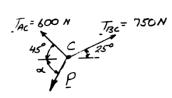
$$T_{AC} = T_{BC} = 3.66 \text{ kN}$$



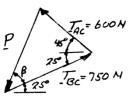
For the cables of Problem 2.36, it is known that the maximum allowable tension is 600 N in cable AC and 750 N in cable BC. Determine (a) the maximum force **P** that can be applied at C, (b) the corresponding value of  $\alpha$ .

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



**Force Triangle** 



(a) Law of cosines

$$P^2 = (600)^2 + (750)^2 - 2(600)(750)\cos(25^\circ + 45^\circ)$$

$$P = 784.02 \text{ N}$$

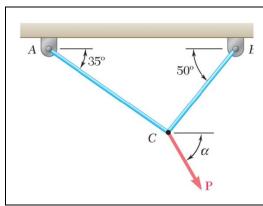
P = 784 N

(b) Law of sines

$$\frac{\sin \beta}{600 \text{ N}} = \frac{\sin (25^\circ + 45^\circ)}{784.02 \text{ N}}$$

$$\beta = 46.0^{\circ}$$
  $\therefore$   $\alpha = 46.0^{\circ} + 25^{\circ}$ 

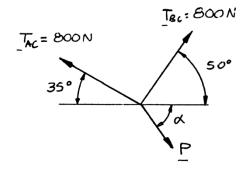
 $\alpha = 71.0^{\circ}$ 



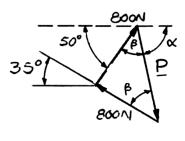
Two cables tied together at C are loaded as shown. Knowing that the maximum allowable tension in each cable is 800 N, determine (a) the magnitude of the largest force **P** that can be applied at C, (b) the corresponding value of  $\alpha$ .

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram: C



**Force Triangle** 



Force triangle is isosceles with

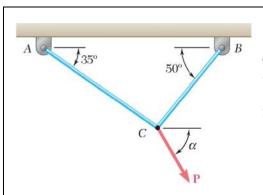
$$2\beta = 180^{\circ} - 85^{\circ}$$
$$\beta = 47.5^{\circ}$$

(a) 
$$P = 2(800 \text{ N})\cos 47.5^{\circ} = 1081 \text{ N}$$

Since P > 0, the solution is correct.

P = 1081 N

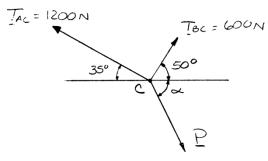
(b) 
$$\alpha = 180^{\circ} - 50^{\circ} - 47.5^{\circ} = 82.5^{\circ}$$
  $\alpha = 82.5^{\circ}$ 



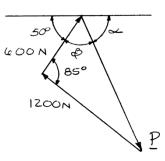
Two cables tied together at C are loaded as shown. Knowing that the maximum allowable tension is 1200 N in cable AC and 600 N in cable BC, determine (a) the magnitude of the largest force **P** that can be applied at C, (b) the corresponding value of  $\alpha$ .

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



# **Force Triangle**



(a) Law of cosines:

$$P^2 = (1200 \text{ N})^2 + (600 \text{ N})^2 - 2(1200 \text{ N})(600 \text{ N})\cos 85^\circ$$
  
 $P = 1294 \text{ N}$ 

Since P. 1200 N, the solution is correct.

P = 1294 N

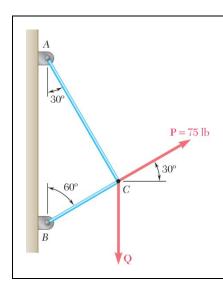
(b) Law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin \beta}{1200 \text{ N}} = \frac{\sin 85^{\circ}}{1294 \text{ N}}$$

$$\beta = 67.5^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha = 180^{\circ} - 50^{\circ} - 67.5^{\circ}$$

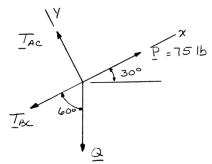
$$\alpha = 62.5^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



Two cables tied together at C are loaded as shown. Determine the range of values of Q for which the tension will not exceed 60 lb in either cable.

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram



$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
:  $-T_{BC} - Q\cos 60^\circ + 75 \text{ lb} = 0$ 

$$T_{BC} = 75 \text{ lb} - Q \cos 60^{\circ} \tag{1}$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0: \quad T_{AC} - Q\sin 60^\circ = 0$$

$$T_{AC} = Q\sin 60^{\circ} \tag{2}$$

Requirement:  $T_{AC} = 60 \text{ lb}$ :

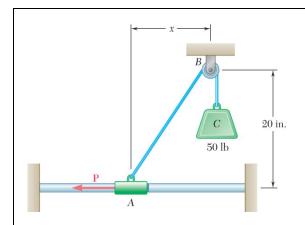
From Eq. (2): 
$$Q \sin 60^{\circ} = 60 \text{ lb}$$

$$Q = 69.3 \text{ lb}$$

Requirement:  $T_{BC} = 60 \text{ lb}$ :

From Eq. (1): 
$$75 \text{ lb} - Q \cos 60^\circ = 60 \text{ lb}$$

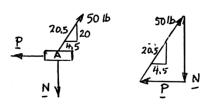
 $Q = 30.0 \text{ lb } 30.0 \text{ lb} \le Q \le 69.3 \text{ lb}$ 



Collar *A* is connected as shown to a 50-lb load and can slide on a frictionless horizontal rod. Determine the magnitude of the force **P** required to maintain the equilibrium of the collar when (a) x = 4.5 in., (b) x = 15 in.

# **SOLUTION**

(a) Free Body: Collar A

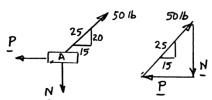


**Force Triangle** 

$$\frac{P}{4.5} = \frac{50 \text{ lb}}{20.5}$$

$$P = 10.98 \text{ lb}$$

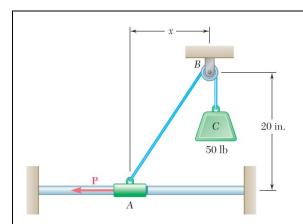
(b) Free Body: Collar A



**Force Triangle** 

$$\frac{P}{15} = \frac{50 \text{ lb}}{25}$$

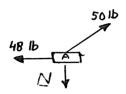
P = 30.0 lb



Collar A is connected as shown to a 50-lb load and can slide on a frictionless horizontal rod. Determine the distance x for which the collar is in equilibrium when P = 48 lb.

# **SOLUTION**

Free Body: Collar A

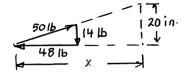




$$N^2 = (50)^2 - (48)^2 = 196$$
  
 $N = 14.00 \text{ lb}$ 

**Similar Triangles** 

$$\frac{x}{20 \text{ in.}} = \frac{48 \text{ lb}}{14 \text{ lb}}$$



x = 68.6 in.

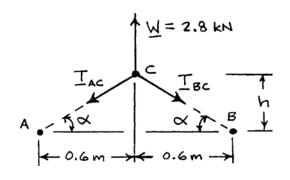
# 0.7 m

# **PROBLEM 2.50**

A movable bin and its contents have a combined weight of 2.8 kN. Determine the shortest chain sling *ACB* that can be used to lift the loaded bin if the tension in the chain is not to exceed 5 kN.

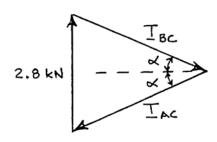
# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



$$\tan \alpha = \frac{h}{0.6 \,\mathrm{m}} \tag{1}$$

# **Isosceles Force Triangle**



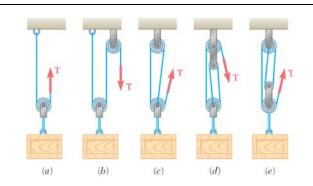
Law of sines: 
$$\sin \alpha = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(2.8 \text{ kN})}{T_{AC}}$$
$$T_{AC} = 5 \text{ kN}$$
$$\sin \alpha = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(2.8 \text{ kN})}{5 \text{ kN}}$$
$$\alpha = 16.2602^{\circ}$$

From Eq. (1): 
$$\tan 16.2602^{\circ} = \frac{h}{0.6 \text{ m}}$$
  $\therefore h = 0.175000 \text{ m}$ 

Half-length of chain = 
$$AC = \sqrt{(0.6 \text{ m})^2 + (0.175 \text{ m})^2}$$
  
= 0.625 m

Total length: 
$$= 2 \times 0.625 \text{ m}$$

1.250 m ◀



A 600-lb crate is supported by several ropeand-pulley arrangements as shown. Determine for each arrangement the tension in the rope. (*Hint*: The tension in the rope is the same on each side of a simple pulley. This can be proved by the methods of Ch. 4.)

# **SOLUTION**

#### Free-Body Diagram of Pulley

$$+ \int \Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $2T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$   
 $T = \frac{1}{2}($ 

$$T = \frac{1}{2} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 300 lb

$$+ \int_{y}^{h} \Sigma F_{y} = 0$$
:  $2T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$   
 $T = \frac{1}{2}$ 

$$T = \frac{1}{2} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 300 lb

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
:  $3T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$ 

$$T = \frac{1}{3}(600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 200 lb

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
:  $3T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$ 

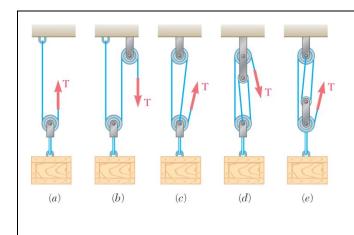
$$T = \frac{1}{3} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 200 lb

$$+ \int \Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $4T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$   
 $T = \frac{1}{4}(600 \text{ lb})$ 

$$T = \frac{1}{4} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 150.0 lb



Solve Parts b and d of Problem 2.51, assuming that the free end of the rope is attached to the crate.

**PROBLEM 2.51** A 600-lb crate is supported by several rope-and-pulley arrangements as shown. Determine for each arrangement the tension in the rope. . (*Hint:* The tension in the rope is the same on each side of a simple pulley. This can be proved by the methods of Ch. 4.)

# **SOLUTION**

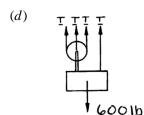
Free-Body Diagram of Pulley and Crate

(b) T T T T GOOD

$$+ \int \Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $3T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$ 

$$T = \frac{1}{3} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 200 lb



+ 
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $4T - (600 \text{ lb}) = 0$ 

$$T = \frac{1}{4} (600 \text{ lb})$$

T = 150.0 lb

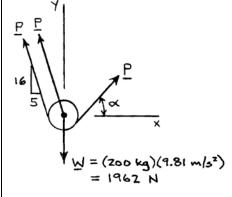
# 2.4 m

#### PROBLEM 2.53

A 200-kg crate is to be supported by the rope-and-pulley arrangement shown. Determine the magnitude and direction of the force **P** that must be exerted on the free end of the rope to maintain equilibrium. (See the hint for Prob. 2.51.)

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram: Pulley A



For  $\alpha = +53.377^{\circ}$ :

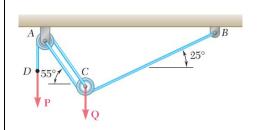
= (200 kg)(9.81 m/s²) + 
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $2P\left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{281}}\right) + P\sin 53.377^\circ - 1962 N = 0$ 

 $P = 724 \text{ N} 3.4^{\circ}$ 

For 
$$\alpha = -53.377^{\circ}$$
:

$$+ \int \Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $2P\left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{281}}\right) + P\sin(-53.377^\circ) - 1962 \text{ N} = 0$ 

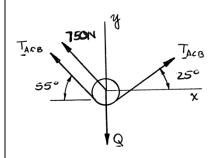
 $P = 1773 \le 53.4^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 



A load  $\mathbf{Q}$  is applied to the pulley C, which can roll on the cable ACB. The pulley is held in the position shown by a second cable CAD, which passes over the pulley A and supports a load  $\mathbf{P}$ . Knowing that P = 750 N, determine (a) the tension in cable ACB, (b) the magnitude of load  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram: Pulley C



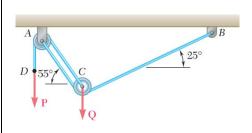
(a)  $\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$ :  $T_{ACB}(\cos 25^\circ - \cos 55^\circ) - (750 \text{ N})\cos 55^\circ = 0$ 

Hence:  $T_{ACB} = 1292.88 \text{ N}$ 

 $T_{ACB} = 1293 \text{ N}$ 

(b)  $+ | \Sigma F_y = 0$ :  $T_{ACB}(\sin 25^\circ + \sin 55^\circ) + (750 \text{ N})\sin 55^\circ - Q = 0$ (1292.88 N)(\sin 25^\circ + \sin 55^\circ) + (750 N)\sin 55^\circ - Q = 0

or Q = 2219.8 N Q = 2220 N



An 1800-N load  $\mathbf{Q}$  is applied to the pulley C, which can roll on the cable ACB. The pulley is held in the position shown by a second cable CAD, which passes over the pulley A and supports a load  $\mathbf{P}$ . Determine (a) the tension in cable ACB, (b) the magnitude of load  $\mathbf{P}$ .

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram: Pulley C

$$+ \Sigma F_x = 0$$
:  $T_{ACB}(\cos 25^\circ - \cos 55^\circ) - P\cos 55^\circ = 0$ 

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or 
$$P = 0.58010T_{ACB} \quad (1)$$
 
$$+ | \Sigma F_y = 0: \quad T_{ACB} (\sin 25^\circ + \sin 55^\circ) + P \sin 55^\circ - 1800 \text{ N} = 0$$
 or 
$$1.24177T_{ACB} + 0.81915P = 1800 \text{ N} \quad (2)$$

(a) Substitute Equation (1) into Equation (2):

$$1.24177T_{ACB} + 0.81915(0.58010T_{ACB}) = 1800 \text{ N}$$

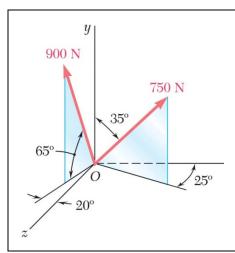
Hence:

$$T_{ACB} = 1048.37 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{ACB} = 1048 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) Using (1), P = 0.58010(1048.37 N) = 608.16 N

P = 608 N



Determine (a) the x, y, and z components of the 900-N force, (b) the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  that the force forms with the coordinate axes.

$$F_h = F \cos 65^\circ$$
$$= (900 \text{ N}) \cos 65^\circ$$

$$F_h = 380.36 \text{ N}$$

$$F_x = F_h \sin 20^\circ$$
  
= (380.36 N) sin 20°

$$F_x = -130.091 \text{ N},$$

$$F_x = -130.1 \,\text{N}$$

$$F_y = F \sin 65^\circ$$

$$= (900 \text{ N}) \sin 65^{\circ}$$

$$F_{v} = +815.68 \text{ N},$$

$$F_{y} = +816 \text{ N}$$

$$F_z = F_h \cos 20^\circ$$

$$= (380.36 \text{ N})\cos 20^{\circ}$$

$$F_7 = +357.42 \text{ N}$$

$$F_z = +357 \text{ N}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{-130.091 \text{ N}}{900 \text{ N}}$$

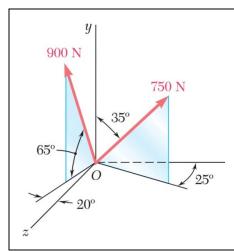
$$\theta_x = 98.3^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{+815.68 \text{ N}}{900 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_{\rm y} = 25.0^{\circ}$$

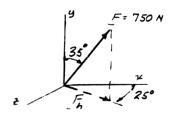
$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{+357.42 \text{ N}}{900 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_z = 66.6^{\circ}$$



Determine (a) the x, y, and z components of the 750-N force, (b) the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  that the force forms with the coordinate axes.

$$F_h = F \sin 35^{\circ}$$
  
= (750 N) sin 35°  
 $F_h = 430.18$  N



$$F_x = F_h \cos 25^\circ$$
  
= (430.18 N) cos 25°

$$F_x = +389.88 \text{ N},$$

$$F_x = +390 \text{ N}$$

$$F_y = F \cos 35^{\circ}$$

$$= (750 \text{ N})\cos 35^{\circ}$$

$$F_{v} = +614.36 \text{ N},$$

$$F_{\rm v} = +614 \, {\rm N} \, \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_z = F_h \sin 25^\circ$$

$$= (430.18 \text{ N}) \sin 25^{\circ}$$

$$F_z = +181.8 \text{ N}$$

$$F_z = +181.802 \text{ N}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{+389.88 \text{ N}}{750 \text{ N}}$$

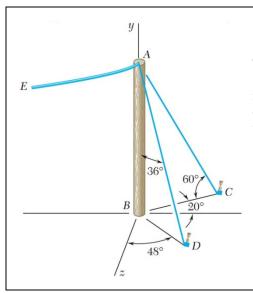
$$\theta_x = 58.7^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{+614.36 \text{ N}}{750 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_{\rm v} = 35.0^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{+181.802 \text{ N}}{750 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_z = 76.0^{\circ}$$



The end of the coaxial cable AE is attached to the pole AB, which is strengthened by the guy wires AC and AD. Knowing that the tension in wire AC is 120 lb, determine (a) the components of the force exerted by this wire on the pole, (b) the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  that the force forms with the coordinate axes.

(a) 
$$F_{\rm r} = (120 \text{ lb})\cos 60^{\circ}\cos 20^{\circ}$$

$$F_{\rm r} = 56.382 \, \text{lb}$$
  $F_{\rm r} = +56.4 \, \text{lb}$ 

$$F_{v} = -(120 \text{ lb}) \sin 60^{\circ}$$

$$F_{v} = -103.923 \text{ lb}$$
  $F_{v} = -103.9 \text{ lb}$ 

$$F_z = -(120 \text{ lb})\cos 60^{\circ} \sin 20^{\circ}$$

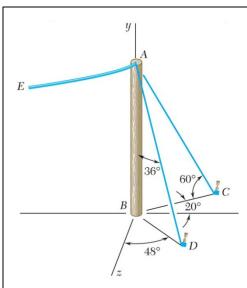
$$F_z = -20.521 \text{ lb}$$
  $F_z = -20.5 \text{ lb}$ 

(b) 
$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{56.382 \text{ lb}}{120 \text{ lb}}$$
  $\theta_x = 62.0^\circ \blacktriangleleft$ 

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{-103.923 \text{ lb}}{120 \text{ lb}}$$
  $\theta_y = 150.0^\circ \blacktriangleleft$ 

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{-20.52 \text{ lb}}{120 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\theta_z = 99.8^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



The end of the coaxial cable AE is attached to the pole AB, which is strengthened by the guy wires AC and AD. Knowing that the tension in wire AD is 85 lb, determine (a) the components of the force exerted by this wire on the pole, (b) the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  that the force forms with the coordinate axes.

(a) 
$$F_x = (85 \text{ lb}) \sin 36^\circ \sin 48^\circ$$
  
= 37.129 lb  $F_x = 37.1 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$ 

$$F_y = -(85 \text{ lb})\cos 36^\circ$$
  
= -68.766 lb  $F_y = -68.8 \text{ lb}$ 

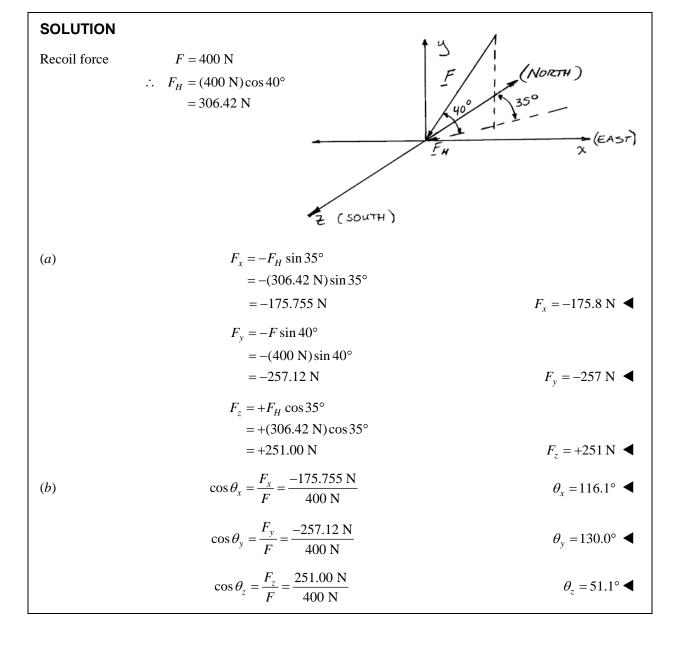
(b) 
$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{37.129 \text{ lb}}{85 \text{ lb}}$$
  $\theta_x = 64.1^\circ \blacktriangleleft$ 

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{-68.766 \text{ lb}}{85 \text{ lb}}$$
  $\theta_y = 144.0^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{33.431 \text{ lb}}{85 \text{ lb}}$$

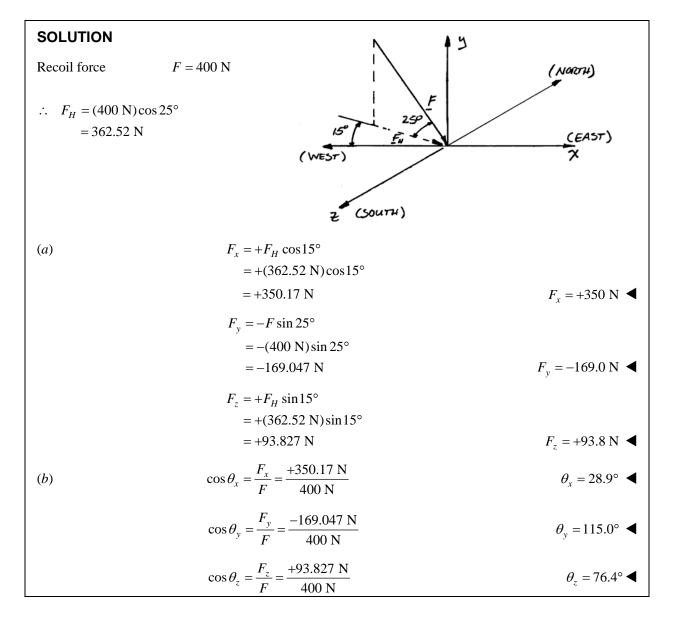
$$\theta_z = 66.8^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

A gun is aimed at a point A located 35° east of north. Knowing that the barrel of the gun forms an angle of 40° with the horizontal and that the maximum recoil force is 400 N, determine (a) the x, y, and z components of that force, (b) the values of the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  defining the direction of the recoil force. (Assume that the x, y, and z axes are directed, respectively, east, up, and south.)



Solve Problem 2.60, assuming that point A is located 15° north of west and that the barrel of the gun forms an angle of 25° with the horizontal.

**PROBLEM 2.60** A gun is aimed at a point A located 35° east of north. Knowing that the barrel of the gun forms an angle of 40° with the horizontal and that the maximum recoil force is 400 N, determine (a) the x, y, and z components of that force, (b) the values of the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  defining the direction of the recoil force. (Assume that the x, y, and z axes are directed, respectively, east, up, and south.)



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Determine the magnitude and direction of the force  $\mathbf{F} = (690 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (300 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (580 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$ .

# **SOLUTION**

$$\mathbf{F} = (690 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (300 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (580 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$F = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2 + F_z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(690 \text{ lb})^2 + (300 \text{ lb})^2 + (-580 \text{ lb})^2}$$

$$= 950 \text{ lb}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{690 \text{ lb}}{950 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\theta_x = 43.4^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

F = 950 lb

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{950 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\theta_y = 71.6^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{-580 \text{ lb}}{950 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\theta_z = 127.6^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

Determine the magnitude and direction of the force  $\mathbf{F} = (650 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (320 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (760 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$ .

$$\mathbf{F} = (650 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (320 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (760 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$F = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2 + F_z^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{(650 \text{ N})^2 + (-320 \text{ N})^2 + (760 \text{ N})^2}$$

$$F = 1050 \text{ N}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = \frac{650 \text{ N}}{1050 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_x = 51.8^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{F_y}{F} = \frac{-320 \text{ N}}{1050 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_y = 107.7^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = \frac{760 \text{ N}}{1050 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_z = 43.6^{\circ}$$

A force acts at the origin of a coordinate system in a direction defined by the angles  $\theta_x = 69.3^{\circ}$  and  $\theta_z = 57.9^{\circ}$ . Knowing that the y component of the force is -174.0 lb, determine (a) the angle  $\theta_y$ , (b) the other components and the magnitude of the force.

#### **SOLUTION**

$$\cos^{2} \theta_{x} + \cos^{2} \theta_{y} + \cos^{2} \theta_{z} = 1$$

$$\cos^{2}(69.3^{\circ}) + \cos^{2} \theta_{y} + \cos^{2}(57.9^{\circ}) = 1$$

$$\cos \theta_{y} = \pm 0.7699$$

(a) Since  $F_y < 0$ , we choose  $\cos \theta_y = -0.7699$ 

 $\therefore \quad \theta_{y} = 140.3^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) 
$$F_{y} = F \cos \theta_{y}$$
$$-174.0 \text{ lb} = F(-0.7699)$$

 $F = 226 \, \text{lb} \, \blacktriangleleft$ 

 $F_x = F \cos \theta_x = (226.0 \text{ lb}) \cos 69.3^\circ$ 

F = 226.0 lb

 $F_x = 79.9 \, \text{lb}$ 

 $F_z = F \cos \theta_z = (226.0 \text{ lb}) \cos 57.9^\circ$ 

 $F_z = 120.1 \, \text{lb}$ 

A force acts at the origin of a coordinate system in a direction defined by the angles  $\theta_x = 70.9^{\circ}$  and  $\theta_y = 144.9^{\circ}$ . Knowing that the z component of the force is -52.0 lb, determine (a) the angle  $\theta_z$ , (b) the other components and the magnitude of the force.

# **SOLUTION**

$$\cos^2 \theta_x + \cos^2 \theta_y + \cos^2 \theta_z = 1$$
$$\cos^2 70.9^\circ + \cos^2 144.9^\circ + \cos^2 \theta_z = 1$$
$$\cos \theta_z = \pm 0.47282$$

(a) Since  $F_z < 0$ , we choose  $\cos \theta_z = -0.47282$ 

 $\therefore \quad \theta_z = 118.2^{\circ} \quad \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) 
$$F_z = F \cos \theta_z \\ -52.0 \, lb = F(-0.47282)$$

$$F = 110.0 \text{ lb}$$
  $F = 110.0 \text{ lb}$ 

$$F_x = F \cos \theta_x = (110.0 \text{ lb}) \cos 70.9^\circ$$

$$F_x = 36.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_y = F \cos \theta_y = (110.0 \text{ lb}) \cos 144.9^\circ$$

$$F_{\rm v} = -90.0 \; {\rm lb} \; \blacktriangleleft$$

A force acts at the origin of a coordinate system in a direction defined by the angles  $\theta_y = 55^{\circ}$  and  $\theta_z = 45^{\circ}$ . Knowing that the *x* component of the force is – 500 lb, determine (*a*) the angle  $\theta_x$ , (*b*) the other components and the magnitude of the force.

# **SOLUTION**

(a) We have

$$(\cos \theta_x)^2 + (\cos \theta_y)^2 + (\cos \theta_z)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow (\cos \theta_y)^2 = 1 - (\cos \theta_y)^2 - (\cos \theta_z)^2$$

Since  $F_x < 0$  we must have  $\cos \theta_x$ , 0

Thus, taking the negative square root, from above, we have:

$$\cos \theta_x = -\sqrt{1 - (\cos 55)^2 - (\cos 45)^2} = 0.41353$$
  $\theta_x = 114.4^\circ$ 

(b) Then:

$$F = \frac{F_x}{\cos \theta_x} = \frac{500 \text{ lb}}{0.41353} = 1209.10 \text{ lb}$$
  $F = 1209 \text{ lb}$ 

and

$$F_{y} = F \cos \theta_{y} = (1209.10 \text{ lb}) \cos 55^{\circ}$$

$$F_{\rm v} = 694 \, {\rm lb} \, \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_z = F\cos\theta_z = (1209.10 \text{ lb})\cos 45^\circ$$

$$F_z = 855 \, \text{lb} \, \blacktriangleleft$$

A force **F** of magnitude 1200 N acts at the origin of a coordinate system. Knowing that  $\theta_x = 65^\circ$ ,  $\theta_y = 40^\circ$ , and  $F_z > 0$ , determine (a) the components of the force, (b) the angle  $\theta_z$ .

# **SOLUTION**

$$\cos^2 \theta_x + \cos^2 \theta_y + \cos^2 \theta_z = 1$$
$$\cos^2 65^\circ + \cos^2 40^\circ + \cos^2 \theta_z^\circ = 1$$
$$\cos \theta_z = \pm 0.48432$$

(b) Since  $F_z > 0$ , we choose  $\cos \theta_z = 0.48432$ , or  $\theta_z = 61.032^\circ$ 

 $\therefore \quad \theta_z = 61.0^{\circ} \quad \blacktriangleleft$ 

(a) F = 1200 N

 $F_x = F\cos\theta_x = (1200 \text{ N})\cos65^\circ$ 

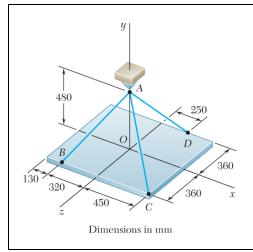
 $F_x = 507 \text{ N}$ 

 $F_{y} = F \cos \theta_{y} = (1200 \text{ N}) \cos 40^{\circ}$ 

 $F_{y} = 919 \text{ N}$ 

 $F_z = F \cos \theta_z = (1200 \text{ N}) \cos 61.032^\circ$ 

 $F_z = 582 \text{ N}$ 



A rectangular plate is supported by three cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AB is 408 N, determine the components of the force exerted on the plate at B.

# **SOLUTION**

We have:

 $\overrightarrow{BA} = +(320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$  BA = 680 mm

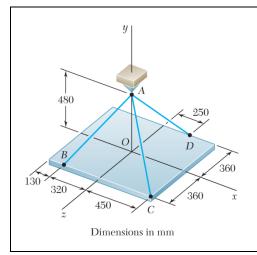
Thus:

$$\mathbf{F}_{B} = T_{BA} \lambda_{BA} = T_{BA} \frac{\overline{BA}}{BA} = T_{BA} \left( \frac{8}{17} \mathbf{i} + \frac{12}{17} \mathbf{j} - \frac{9}{17} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{8}{17}T_{BA}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{12}{17}T_{BA}\right)\mathbf{j} - \left(\frac{9}{17}T_{BA}\right)\mathbf{k} = 0$$

Setting  $T_{BA} = 408 \text{ N}$  yields,

$$F_x = +192.0 \text{ N}, \quad F_y = +288 \text{ N}, \quad F_z = -216 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$



A rectangular plate is supported by three cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AD is 429 N, determine the components of the force exerted on the plate at D.

# **SOLUTION**

We have:

 $\overrightarrow{DA} = -(250 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$  DA = 650 mm

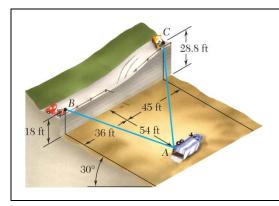
Thus:

$$F_D = T_{DA} \lambda_{DA} = T_{DA} \frac{\overline{DA}}{DA} = T_{DA} \left( -\frac{5}{13} \mathbf{i} + \frac{48}{65} \mathbf{j} + \frac{36}{65} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

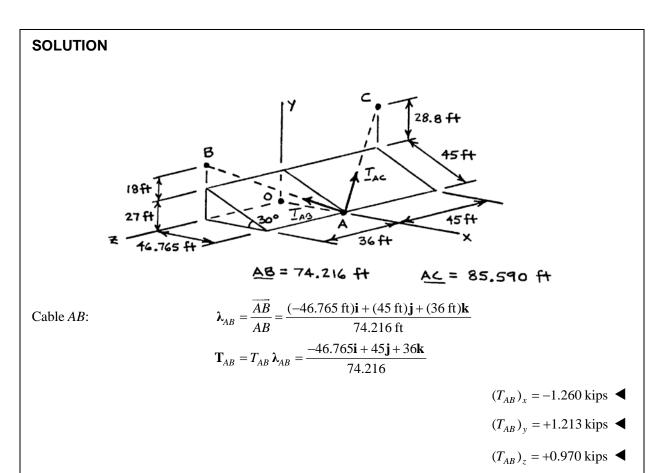
$$-\left(\frac{5}{13}T_{DA}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{48}{65}T_{DA}\right)\mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{36}{65}T_{DA}\right)\mathbf{k} = 0$$

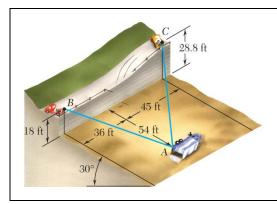
Setting  $T_{DA} = 429 \text{ N}$  yields,

$$F_x = -165.0 \text{ N}, \quad F_y = +317 \text{ N}, \quad F_z = +238 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$

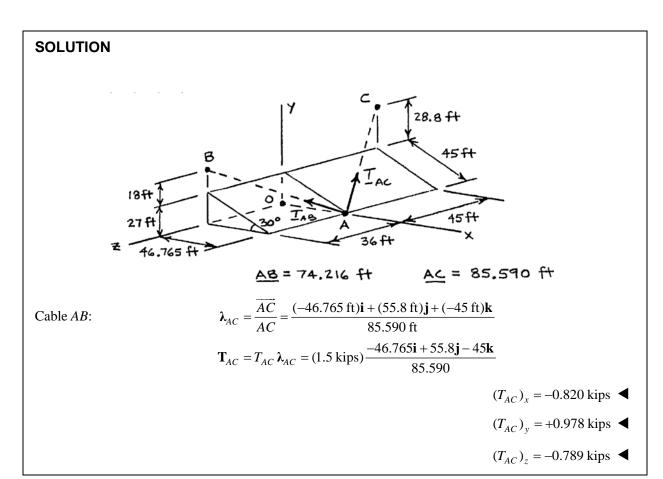


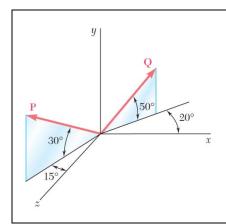
In order to move a wrecked truck, two cables are attached at A and pulled by winches B and C as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AB is 2 kips, determine the components of the force exerted at A by the cable.





In order to move a wrecked truck, two cables are attached at *A* and pulled by winches *B* and *C* as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable *AC* is 1.5 kips, determine the components of the force exerted at *A* by the cable.





Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the two forces shown knowing that P = 300 N and Q = 400 N.

$$P = (300 \text{ N})[-\cos 30^{\circ} \sin 15^{\circ} \mathbf{i} + \sin 30^{\circ} \mathbf{j} + \cos 30^{\circ} \cos 15^{\circ} \mathbf{k}]$$

= 
$$-(67.243 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (150 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (250.95 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = (400 \text{ N})[\cos 50^{\circ} \cos 20^{\circ} \mathbf{i} + \sin 50^{\circ} \mathbf{j} - \cos 50^{\circ} \sin 20^{\circ} \mathbf{k}]$$

= 
$$(400 \text{ N})[0.60402\mathbf{i} + 0.76604\mathbf{j} - 0.21985]$$

= 
$$(241.61 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (306.42 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (87.939 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}$$

= 
$$(174.367 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (456.42 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (163.011 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$R = \sqrt{(174.367 \text{ N})^2 + (456.42 \text{ N})^2 + (163.011 \text{ N})^2}$$

$$=515.07 \text{ N}$$

$$R = 515 \text{ N}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{R_x}{R} = \frac{174.367 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.33853$$

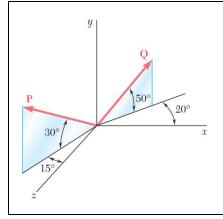
$$\theta_x = 70.2^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{R_y}{R} = \frac{456.42 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.88613$$

$$\theta_y = 27.6^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{R_z}{R} = \frac{163.011 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.31648$$

$$\theta_z = 71.5^{\circ}$$



Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the two forces shown knowing that P = 400 N and Q = 300 N.

### **SOLUTION**

$$P = (400 \text{ N})[-\cos 30^{\circ} \sin 15^{\circ} \mathbf{i} + \sin 30^{\circ} \mathbf{j} + \cos 30^{\circ} \cos 15^{\circ} \mathbf{k}]$$

= 
$$-(89.678 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (200 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (334.61 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = (300 \text{ N})[\cos 50^{\circ} \cos 20^{\circ} \mathbf{i} + \sin 50^{\circ} \mathbf{j} - \cos 50^{\circ} \sin 20^{\circ} \mathbf{k}]$$

= 
$$(181.21 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (229.81 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (65.954 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\boldsymbol{R} = \boldsymbol{P} + \boldsymbol{Q}$$

$$= (91.532 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (429.81 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (268.66 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$R = \sqrt{(91.532 \text{ N})^2 + (429.81 \text{ N})^2 + (268.66 \text{ N})^2}$$

$$= 515.07 \text{ N}$$

$$R = 515 \text{ N}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{R_x}{R} = \frac{91.532 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.177708$$

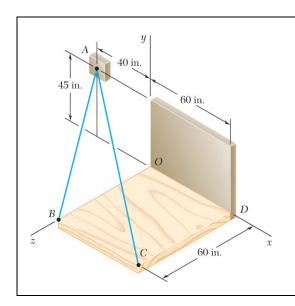
$$\theta_x = 79.8^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{R_y}{R} = \frac{429.81 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.83447$$

$$\theta_{\rm v} = 33.4^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{R_z}{R} = \frac{268.66 \text{ N}}{515.07 \text{ N}} = 0.52160$$

$$\theta_z = 58.6^{\circ}$$



Knowing that the tension is 425 lb in cable AB and 510 lb in cable AC, determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the forces exerted at A by the two cables.

## **SOLUTION**

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(40 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2 + (60 \text{ in.})^2} = 85 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (100 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(100 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2 + (60 \text{ in.})^2} = 125 \text{ in.}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \overline{\frac{AB}{AB}} = (425 \text{ lb}) \left[ \frac{(40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{85 \text{ in.}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = (200 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (225 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (300 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC} = (510 \, \text{lb}) \left[ \frac{(100 \, \text{in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \, \text{in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \, \text{in.})\mathbf{k}}{125 \, \text{in.}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = (408 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (183.6 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (244.8 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} = (608)\mathbf{i} - (408.6 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (544.8 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$R = 912.92 \text{ lb}$$

$$R = 913 \, \text{lb}$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{608 \text{ lb}}{912.92 \text{ lb}} = 0.66599$$

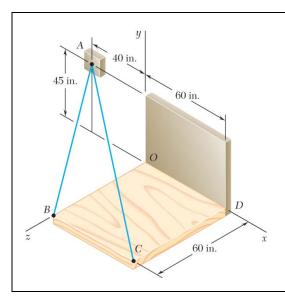
$$\theta_x = 48.2^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_{y} = \frac{408.6 \text{ lb}}{912.92 \text{ lb}} = -0.44757$$

$$\theta_y = 116.6^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{544.8 \text{ lb}}{912.92 \text{ lb}} = 0.59677$$

$$\theta_z = 53.4^{\circ}$$



Knowing that the tension is 510 lb in cable AB and 425 lb in cable AC, determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the forces exerted at A by the two cables.

### **SOLUTION**

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(40 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2 + (60 \text{ in.})^2} = 85 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (100 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(100 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2 + (60 \text{ in.})^2} = 125 \text{ in.}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \frac{\overrightarrow{AB}}{AB} = (510 \text{ lb}) \left[ \frac{(40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{85 \text{ in.}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = (240 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (270 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC} = (425 \text{ lb}) \left[ \frac{(100 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{125 \text{ in.}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = (340 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (153 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (204 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} = (580 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (423 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (564 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

Then:

$$R = 912.92 \text{ lb}$$

$$R = 913 \, \text{lb}$$

and

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{580 \text{ lb}}{912.92 \text{ lb}} = 0.63532$$

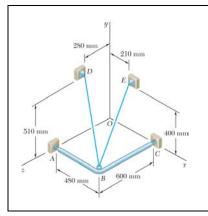
$$\theta_x = 50.6^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{-423 \text{ lb}}{912.92 \text{ lb}} = -0.46335$$

$$\theta_y = 117.6^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{564 \text{ lb}}{912,92 \text{ lh}} = 0.61780$$

$$\theta_z = 51.8^{\circ}$$



A frame *ABC* is supported in part by cable *DBE* that passes through a frictionless ring at *B*. Knowing that the tension in the cable is 385 N, determine the components of the force exerted by the cable on the support at *D*.

# **SOLUTION**

$$\overline{BD} = -(480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (510 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(480 \text{ mm})^2 + (510 \text{ mm})^2 + (320 \text{ mm})^2} = 770 \text{ mm}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{BD} = T_{BD} \lambda_{BD} = T_{BD} \frac{\overline{BD}}{BD}$$

$$= \frac{(385 \text{ N})}{(770 \text{ mm})} [-(480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (510 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= -(240 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (255 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (160 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\overline{BE} = -(270 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (400 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$$

$$BE = \sqrt{(270 \text{ mm})^2 + (400 \text{ mm})^2 + (600 \text{ mm})^2} = 770 \text{ mm}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{BE} = T_{BE} \lambda_{BE} = T_{BE} \frac{\overline{BE}}{BE}$$

$$= \frac{(385 \text{ N})}{(770 \text{ mm})} [-(270 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (400 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= -(135 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (200 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (300 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{F}_{BD} + \mathbf{F}_{BE} = -(375 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (455 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (460 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$R = \sqrt{(375 \text{ N})^2 + (455 \text{ N})^2 + (460 \text{ N})^2} = 747.83 \text{ N}$$

$$R = 748 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{-375 \text{ N}}{747.83 \text{ N}}$$

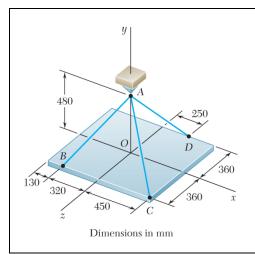
$$\theta_x = 120.1^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{455 \text{ N}}{747.83 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_y = 52.5^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{-460 \text{ N}}{747.83 \text{ N}}$$

$$\theta_z = 128.0^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



For the plate of Prob. 2.68, determine the tensions in cables AB and AD knowing that the tension in cable AC is 54 N and that the resultant of the forces exerted by the three cables at A must be vertical.

## **SOLUTION**

We have:

$$\overline{AB} = -(320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$$
  $AB = 680 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AC} = (450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AC = 750 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AD} = (250 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AD = 650 \text{ mm}$ 

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_{AB} &= T_{AB} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = \frac{T_{AB}}{680} \Big( -320 \mathbf{i} - 480 \mathbf{j} + 360 \mathbf{k} \Big) \\ \mathbf{T}_{AC} &= T_{AC} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = \frac{54}{750} \Big( 450 \mathbf{i} - 480 \mathbf{j} + 360 \mathbf{k} \Big) \\ \mathbf{T}_{AD} &= T_{AD} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{AD} = T_{AD} \, \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD} = \frac{T_{AD}}{650} \Big( 250 \mathbf{i} - 480 \mathbf{j} - 360 \mathbf{k} \Big) \end{aligned}$$

Substituting into the Eq.  $\mathbf{R} = \Sigma \mathbf{F}$  and factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ :

$$\mathbf{R} = \left(-\frac{320}{680}T_{AB} + 32.40 + \frac{250}{650}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{i}$$
$$+ \left(-\frac{480}{680}T_{AB} - 34.560 - \frac{480}{650}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{j}$$
$$+ \left(\frac{360}{680}T_{AB} + 25.920 - \frac{360}{650}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{k}$$

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

Since  $\mathbf{R}$  is vertical, the coefficients of  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{k}$  are zero:

$$i: \qquad -\frac{320}{680}T_{AB} + 32.40 + \frac{250}{650}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{k}: \qquad \frac{360}{680} T_{AB} + 25.920 - \frac{360}{650} T_{AD} = 0 \tag{2}$$

Multiply (1) by 3.6 and (2) by 2.5 then add:

$$-\frac{252}{680}T_{AB} + 181.440 = 0$$

$$T_{AB} = 489.60 \text{ N}$$

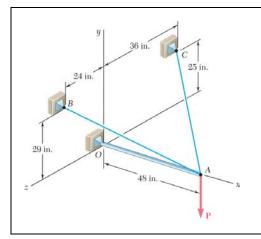
 $T_{AB} = 490 \text{ N}$ 

Substitute into (2) and solve for  $T_{AD}$ :

$$\frac{360}{680}(489.60 \text{ N}) + 25.920 - \frac{360}{650}T_{AD} = 0$$

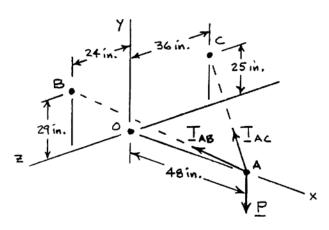
$$T_{AD} = 514.80 \text{ N}$$

 $T_{AD} = 515 \text{ N}$ 



The boom OA carries a load P and is supported by two cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AB is 183 lb and that the resultant of the load P and of the forces exerted at A by the two cables must be directed along OA, determine the tension in cable AC

# **SOLUTION**



Cable AB:  $T_{AB} = 183 \text{ lb}$ 

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = (183 \text{ lb}) \frac{(-48 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (29 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{61 \text{ in.}}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = -(144 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (87 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (72 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

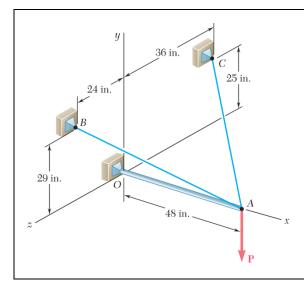
Cable AC:  $\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{(-48 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (25 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (-36 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{65 \text{ in.}}$ 

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = -\frac{48}{65}T_{AC}\mathbf{i} + \frac{25}{65}T_{AC}\mathbf{j} - \frac{36}{65}T_{AC}\mathbf{k}$$

Load P:  $\mathbf{P} = P \mathbf{j}$ 

For resultant to be directed along OA, i.e., x-axis

$$R_z = 0$$
:  $\Sigma F_z = (72 \text{ lb}) - \frac{36}{65} T'_{AC} = 0$   $T_{AC} = 130.0 \text{ lb}$ 



For the boom and loading of Problem. 2.78, determine the magnitude of the load **P**.

**PROBLEM 2.78** The boom OA carries a load **P** and is supported by two cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AB is 183 lb and that the resultant of the load **P** and of the forces exerted at A by the two cables must be directed along OA, determine the tension in cable AC.

## **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.78. Since resultant must be directed along *OA*, i.e., the *x*-axis, we write

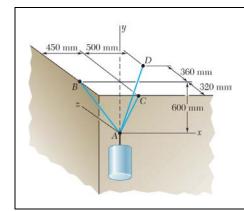
$$R_y = 0$$
:  $\Sigma F_y = (87 \text{ lb}) + \frac{25}{65} T_{AC} - P = 0$ 

 $T_{AC} = 130.0 \text{ lb from Problem 2.97.}$ 

Then

$$(87 \text{ lb}) + \frac{25}{65}(130.0 \text{ lb}) - P = 0$$

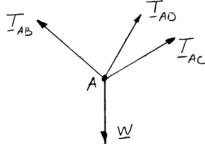
 $P = 137.0 \, \text{lb}$ 



A container is supported by three cables that are attached to a ceiling as shown. Determine the weight *W* of the container, knowing that the tension in cable *AB* is 6 kN.

### **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram at A:



The forces applied at A are:

 $\mathbf{T}_{AB}, \mathbf{T}_{AC}, \mathbf{T}_{AD}, \text{ and } \mathbf{W}$ 

where  $\mathbf{W} = W\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -(450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}$$
  $AB = 750 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overrightarrow{AC} = +(600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AC = 680 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overrightarrow{AD} = +(500 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AD = 860 \text{ mm}$ 

and

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = \lambda_{AB} T_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overrightarrow{AB}}{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{(-450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}}{750 \text{ mm}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 45 & 60 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{45}{75}\mathbf{i} + \frac{60}{75}\mathbf{j}\right)T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = \lambda_{AC}T_{AC} = T_{AC}\frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC} = T_{AC}\frac{(600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}}{680 \text{ mm}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{60}{68}\mathbf{j} - \frac{32}{68}\mathbf{k}\right)T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = \lambda_{AD} T_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overrightarrow{AD}}{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{(500 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}}{860 \text{ mm}}$$
$$= \left(\frac{50}{86}\mathbf{i} + \frac{60}{86}\mathbf{j} + \frac{36}{86}\mathbf{k}\right) T_{AD}$$

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

Equilibrium condition: 
$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\therefore \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + \mathbf{W} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $\mathbf{T}_{AB}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AC}$ , and  $\mathbf{T}_{AD}$ ; factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$ ; and equating each of the coefficients to zero gives the following equations:

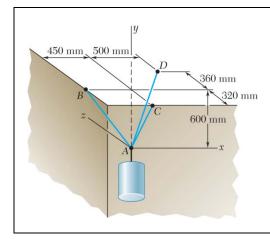
From **i**: 
$$-\frac{45}{75}T_{AB} + \frac{50}{86}T_{AD} = 0$$
 (1)

From **j**: 
$$\frac{60}{75}T_{AB} + \frac{60}{68}T_{AC} + \frac{60}{86}T_{AD} - W = 0$$
 (2)

From **k**: 
$$-\frac{32}{68}T_{AC} + \frac{36}{86}T_{AD} = 0$$
 (3)

Setting  $T_{AB} = 6 \text{ kN}$  in (1) and (2), and solving the resulting set of equations gives

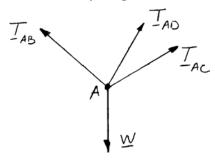
$$T_{AC} = 6.1920 \text{ kN}$$
  
 $T_{AC} = 5.5080 \text{ kN}$   $W = 13.98 \text{ kN}$ 



A container is supported by three cables that are attached to a ceiling as shown. Determine the weight W of the container, knowing that the tension in cable AD is 4.3 kN.

#### **SOLUTION**

### Free-Body Diagram at A:



The forces applied at *A* are:

 $\mathbf{T}_{AB}, \mathbf{T}_{AC}, \mathbf{T}_{AD}, \text{ and } \mathbf{W}$ 

where  $\mathbf{W} = W\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

$$\overline{AB} = -(450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}$$
  $AB = 750 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AC} = +(600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AC = 680 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AD} = +(500 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AD = 860 \text{ mm}$ 

and

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = \lambda_{AB} T_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{(-450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}}{750 \text{ mm}}$$
$$= \left(-\frac{45}{75}\mathbf{i} + \frac{60}{75}\mathbf{j}\right) T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = \lambda_{AC} T_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{(600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j}}{680 \text{ mm}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{60}{68} \mathbf{j} - \frac{32}{68} \mathbf{k}\right) T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = \lambda_{AD} T_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{(500 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (600 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}}{860 \text{ mm}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{50}{86} \mathbf{i} + \frac{60}{86} \mathbf{j} + \frac{36}{86} \mathbf{k}\right) T_{AD}$$

# **PROBLEM 2.81 (Continued)**

Equilibrium condition: 
$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\therefore$   $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + \mathbf{W} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $\mathbf{T}_{AB}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AC}$ , and  $\mathbf{T}_{AD}$ ; factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$ ; and equating each of the coefficients to zero gives the following equations:

From **i**: 
$$-\frac{45}{75}T_{AB} + \frac{50}{86}T_{AD} = 0$$

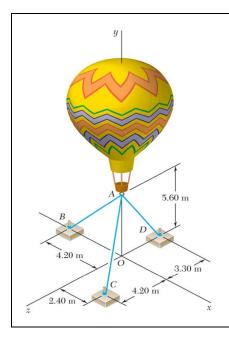
From **j**: 
$$\frac{60}{75}T_{AB} + \frac{60}{68}T_{AC} + \frac{60}{86}T_{AD} - W = 0$$

From **k**: 
$$-\frac{32}{68}T_{AC} + \frac{36}{86}T_{AD} = 0$$

Setting  $T_{AD} = 4.3 \text{ kN}$  into the above equations gives

$$T_{AB} = 4.1667 \text{ kN}$$

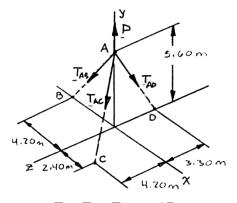
$$T_{AC} = 3.8250 \text{ kN}$$
  $W = 9.71 \text{ kN}$ 



Three cables are used to tether a balloon as shown. Knowing that the balloon exerts an 800-N vertical force at *A*, determine the tension in each cable.

AB = 7.00 m

## **SOLUTION**



The forces applied at *A* are:

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB}$$
,  $\mathbf{T}_{AC}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AD}$ , and  $\mathbf{P}$ 

where  $\mathbf{P} = P\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

 $\overrightarrow{AB} = -(4.20 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j}$ 

and 
$$\overline{AC} = (2.40 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (4.20 \text{ m})\mathbf{k} \quad AC = 7.40 \text{ m}$$

$$\overline{AD} = -(5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (3.30 \text{ m})\mathbf{k} \quad AD = 6.50 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = (-0.6\mathbf{i} - 0.8\mathbf{j})T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = (0.32432 - 0.75676\mathbf{j} + 0.56757\mathbf{k})T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD} = (-0.86154\mathbf{j} - 0.50769\mathbf{k})T_{AD}$$

## PROBLEM 2.82 (Continued)

Equilibrium condition

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + P\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $T_{AB}$ ,  $T_{AC}$ , and  $T_{AD}$  and factoring i, j, and k:

$$\begin{aligned} (-0.6T_{AB} + 0.32432T_{AC})\mathbf{i} + (-0.8T_{AB} - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154T_{AD} + P)\mathbf{j} \\ + (0.56757T_{AC} - 0.50769T_{AD})\mathbf{k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Equating to zero the coefficients of i, j, k:

$$-0.6T_{AR} + 0.32432T_{AC} = 0 (1)$$

$$-0.8T_{AB} - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154T_{AD} + P = 0 (2)$$

$$0.56757T_{AC} - 0.50769T_{AD} = 0 (3)$$

From Eq. (1)

$$T_{AB} = 0.54053T_{AC}$$

From Eq. (3)

$$T_{AD} = 1.11795T_{AC}$$

Substituting for  $T_{AB}$  and  $T_{AD}$  in terms of  $T_{AC}$  into Eq. (2) gives:

$$-0.8(0.54053T_{AC}) - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154(1.11795T_{AC}) + P = 0$$

$$2.1523T_{AC} = P; \quad P = 800 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{AC} = \frac{800 \text{ N}}{2.1523}$$

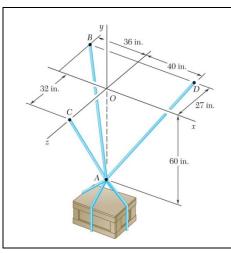
$$-371.69 \text{ N}$$

Substituting into expressions for  $T_{AB}$  and  $T_{AD}$  gives:

$$T_{AB} = 0.54053(371.69 \text{ N})$$

$$T_{AD} = 1.11795(371.69 \text{ N})$$

$$T_{AB} = 201 \text{ N}, \quad T_{AC} = 372 \text{ N}, \quad T_{AD} = 416 \text{ N}$$



A crate is supported by three cables as shown. Determine the weight of the crate knowing that the tension in cable AD is 616 lb.

### **SOLUTION**

The forces applied at A are:

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB}, \mathbf{T}_{AC}, \mathbf{T}_{AD}$$
 and  $\mathbf{W}$ 

where  $P = P\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -(36 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (27 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AB = 75$$
 in.

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (32 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AC = 68 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (27 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AD = 77 \text{ in.}$$

and

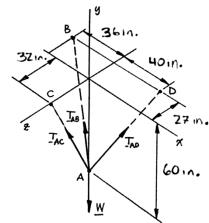
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_{AB} &= T_{AB} \, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} \\ &= (-0.48 \mathbf{i} + 0.8 \mathbf{j} - 0.36 \mathbf{k}) T_{AB} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC}$$
$$= (0.88235 \mathbf{j} + 0.47059 \mathbf{k}) T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \, \lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \, \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD}$$
$$= (0.51948\mathbf{i} + 0.77922\mathbf{j} - 0.35065\mathbf{k}) T_{AD}$$

Equilibrium Condition with  $\mathbf{W} = -W\mathbf{j}$ 

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} - W\mathbf{j} = 0$ 



# PROBLEM 2.83 (Continued)

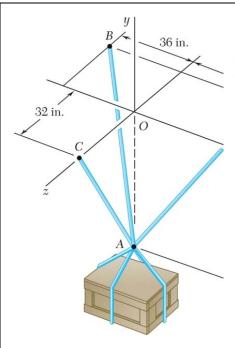
Substituting the expressions obtained for  $T_{AB}$ ,  $T_{AC}$ , and  $T_{AD}$  and factoring i, j, and k:

$$\begin{aligned} (-0.48T_{AB} + 0.51948T_{AD})\mathbf{i} + (0.8T_{AB} + 0.88235T_{AC} + 0.77922T_{AD} - W)\mathbf{j} \\ + (-0.36T_{AB} + 0.47059T_{AC} - 0.35065T_{AD})\mathbf{k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$-0.48T_{AB} + 0.51948T_{AD} = 0$$
 
$$0.8T_{AB} + 0.88235T_{AC} + 0.77922T_{AD} - W = 0$$
 
$$-0.36T_{AB} + 0.47059T_{AC} - 0.35065T_{AD} = 0$$

Substituting  $T_{AD}=616\,\mathrm{lb}$  in Equations (1), (2), and (3) above, and solving the resulting set of equations using representational algorithms, gives:

$$T_{AC} = 969.00 \, \text{lb} \ W = 1868 \, \text{lb} \ \blacktriangleleft$$



A crate is supported by three cables as shown. Determine the weight of the crate knowing that the tension in cable AC is 544 lb.

# **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.83 for the figure and the analysis leading to the linear algebraic Equations (1), (2), and (3) below:

$$-0.48T_{AB} + 0.51948T_{AD} = 0 (1)$$

$$0.8T_{AB} + 0.88235T_{AC} + 0.77922T_{AD} - W = 0 (2)$$

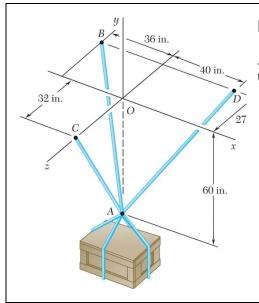
$$-0.36T_{AB} + 0.47059T_{AC} - 0.35065T_{AD} = 0 (3)$$

Substituting  $T_{AC} = 544$  lb in Equations (1), (2), and (3) above, and solving the resulting set of equations using conventional algorithms, gives:

$$T_{AB} = 374.27 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{AD} = 345.82 \text{ lb}$$

W = 1049 lb



A 1600-lb crate is supported by three cables as shown. Determine the tension in each cable.

# **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.83 for the figure and the analysis leading to the linear algebraic Equations (1), (2), and (3) below:

$$-0.48T_{AB} + 0.51948T_{AD} = 0 (1)$$

$$0.8T_{AB} + 0.88235T_{AC} + 0.77922T_{AD} - W = 0 (2)$$

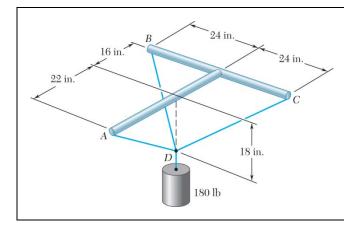
$$-0.36T_{AB} + 0.47059T_{AC} - 0.35065T_{AD} = 0 (3)$$

Substituting W = 1600 lb in Equations (1), (2), and (3) above, and solving the resulting set of equations using conventional algorithms, gives

$$T_{AB} = 571 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{AC} = 830 \text{ lb}$$

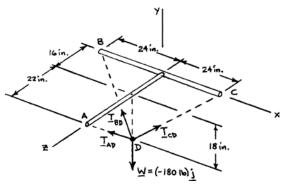
$$T_{AD} = 528 \text{ lb}$$



Three wires are connected at point D, which is located 18 in. below the T-shaped pipe support ABC. Determine the tension in each wire when a 180-lb cylinder is suspended from point D as shown.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram of Point D:



The forces applied at *D* are:

$$\mathbf{T}_{DA}, \mathbf{T}_{DB}, \mathbf{T}_{DC}$$
 and  $\mathbf{W}$ 

where  $\mathbf{W} = -180.0 \text{ lbj}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

$$\overrightarrow{DA} = (18 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (22 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$DA = 28.425 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DB} = -(24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (18 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (16 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$DB = 34.0 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overrightarrow{DC} = (24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (18 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (16 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$DC = 34.0 \text{ in.}$$

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

and

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{T}_{DA} &= T_{Da} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{DA} = T_{Da} \, \frac{\overline{DA}}{DA} \\ &= (0.63324 \, \mathbf{j} + 0.77397 \, \mathbf{k}) T_{DA} \\ \mathbf{T}_{DB} &= T_{DB} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{DB} = T_{DB} \, \frac{\overline{DB}}{DB} \\ &= (-0.70588 \, \mathbf{i} + 0.52941 \, \mathbf{j} - 0.47059 \, \mathbf{k}) T_{DB} \\ \mathbf{T}_{DC} &= T_{DC} \, \pmb{\lambda}_{DC} = T_{DC} \, \frac{\overline{DC}}{DC} \\ &= (0.70588 \, \mathbf{i} + 0.52941 \, \mathbf{j} - 0.47059 \, \mathbf{k}) T_{DC} \end{split}$$

Equilibrium Condition with

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{DA} + \mathbf{T}_{DB} + \mathbf{T}_{DC} - W\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $T_{DA}$ ,  $T_{DB}$ , and  $T_{DC}$  and factoring i, j, and k:

 $\mathbf{W} = -W\mathbf{j}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} &(-0.70588T_{DB}+0.70588T_{DC})\mathbf{i}\\ &(0.63324T_{DA}+0.52941T_{DB}+0.52941T_{DC}-W)\mathbf{j}\\ &(0.77397T_{DA}-0.47059T_{DB}-0.47059T_{DC})\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

Equating to zero the coefficients of i, j, k:

$$-0.70588T_{DR} + 0.70588T_{DC} = 0 (1)$$

$$0.63324T_{DA} + 0.52941T_{DR} + 0.52941T_{DC} - W = 0 (2)$$

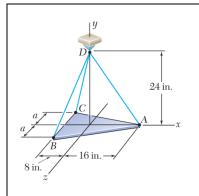
$$0.77397T_{DA} - 0.47059T_{DR} - 0.47059T_{DC} = 0 (3)$$

Substituting W = 180 lb in Equations (1), (2), and (3) above, and solving the resulting set of equations using conventional algorithms gives,

$$T_{DA} = 119.7 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{DR} = 98.4 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{DC} = 98.4 \text{ lb}$$

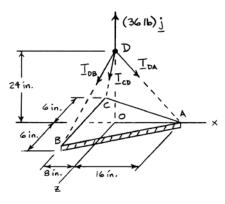


A 36-lb triangular plate is supported by three wires as shown. Determine the tension in each wire, knowing that a = 6 in.

# SOLUTION

By Symmetry  $T_{DB} = T_{DC}$ 

Free-Body Diagram of Point D:



The forces applied at *D* are:

 $\mathbf{T}_{DB}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{DC}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{DA}$ , and  $\mathbf{P}$ 

where  $\mathbf{P} = P\mathbf{j} = (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

$$\overline{DA} = (16 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} \qquad DA = 28.844 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overline{DB} = -(8 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (6 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k} \qquad DB = 26.0 \text{ in.}$$

$$\overline{DC} = -(8 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (6 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k} \qquad DC = 26.0 \text{ in.}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{DA} = T_{DA} \lambda_{DA} = T_{DA} \frac{\overline{DA}}{DA} = (0.55471\mathbf{i} - 0.83206\mathbf{j})T_{DA}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{DB} = T_{DB} \lambda_{DB} = T_{DB} \frac{\overline{DB}}{DB} = (-0.30769\mathbf{i} - 0.92308\mathbf{j} + 0.23077\mathbf{k})T_{DB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{DC} = T_{DC} \lambda_{DC} = T_{DC} \frac{\overline{DC}}{DC} = (-0.30769\mathbf{i} - 0.92308\mathbf{j} - 0.23077\mathbf{k})T_{DC}$$

and

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{DA} + \mathbf{T}_{DB} + \mathbf{T}_{DC} + (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $T_{DA}$ ,  $T_{DB}$ , and  $T_{DC}$  and factoring i, j, and k:

$$\begin{aligned} (0.55471T_{DA} - 0.30769T_{DB} - 0.30769T_{DC})\mathbf{i} + (-0.83206T_{DA} - 0.92308T_{DB} - 0.92308T_{DC} + 36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} \\ + (0.23077T_{DB} - 0.23077T_{DC})\mathbf{k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Equating to zero the coefficients of i, j, k:

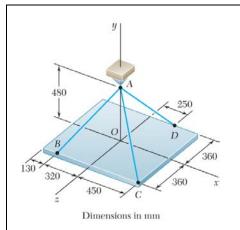
$$0.55471T_{DA} - 0.30769T_{DB} - 0.30769T_{DC} = 0 (1)$$

$$-0.83206T_{DA} - 0.92308T_{DB} - 0.92308T_{DC} + 36 \text{ lb} = 0$$
 (2)

$$0.23077T_{DB} - 0.23077T_{DC} = 0 (3)$$

Equation (3) confirms that  $T_{DB} = T_{DC}$ . Solving simultaneously gives,

$$T_{DA} = 14.42 \text{ lb}; T_{DB} = T_{DC} = 13.00 \text{ lb}$$



A rectangular plate is supported by three cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AC is 60 N, determine the weight of the plate.

### **SOLUTION**

We note that the weight of the plate is equal in magnitude to the force P exerted by the support on Point A.

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + P\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

We have:

$$\overline{AB} = -(320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$$
  $AB = 680 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AC} = (450 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AC = 750 \text{ mm}$   
 $\overline{AD} = (250 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (480 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (360 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$   $AD = 650 \text{ mm}$ 

Thus:

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = \left( -\frac{8}{17} \mathbf{i} - \frac{12}{17} \mathbf{j} + \frac{9}{17} \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = \left( 0.6 \mathbf{i} - 0.64 \mathbf{j} + 0.48 \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD} = \left( \frac{5}{13} \mathbf{i} - \frac{9.6}{13} \mathbf{j} - \frac{7.2}{13} \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AD}$$

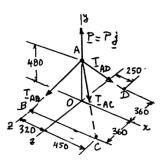
Substituting into the Eq.  $\Sigma F = 0$  and factoring **i**, **j**, **k**:

$$\left(-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + \frac{5}{13}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{i}$$

$$+\left(-\frac{12}{17}T_{AB} - 0.64T_{AC} - \frac{9.6}{13}T_{AD} + P\right)\mathbf{j}$$

$$+\left(\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - \frac{7.2}{13}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{k} = 0$$

## Free Body A:



Dimensions in mm

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

Setting the coefficient of i, j, k equal to zero:

$$i: \qquad -\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + \frac{5}{13}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{j}: \qquad -\frac{12}{7}T_{AB} - 0.64T_{AC} - \frac{9.6}{13}T_{AD} + P = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k}: \qquad \frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - \frac{7.2}{13}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{3}$$

Making  $T_{AC} = 60 \text{ N} \text{ in (1) and (3):}$ 

$$-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 36 \text{ N} + \frac{5}{13}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1'}$$

$$\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 28.8 \text{ N} - \frac{7.2}{13}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{3'}$$

Multiply (1') by 9, (3') by 8, and add:

$$554.4 \text{ N} - \frac{12.6}{13} T_{AD} = 0$$
  $T_{AD} = 572.0 \text{ N}$ 

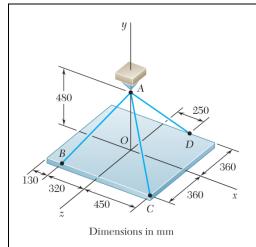
Substitute into (1') and solve for  $T_{AB}$ :

$$T_{AB} = \frac{17}{8} \left( 36 + \frac{5}{13} \times 572 \right)$$
  $T_{AB} = 544.0 \text{ N}$ 

Substitute for the tensions in Eq. (2) and solve for P:

$$P = \frac{12}{17}(544 \text{ N}) + 0.64(60 \text{ N}) + \frac{9.6}{13}(572 \text{ N})$$
$$= 844.8 \text{ N}$$

Weight of plate = P = 845 N



A rectangular plate is supported by three cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AD is 520 N, determine the weight of the plate.

#### **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.88 for the figure and the analysis leading to the linear algebraic Equations (1), (2), and (3) below:

$$-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + \frac{5}{13}T_{AD} = 0 ag{1}$$

$$-\frac{12}{17}T_{AB} + 0.64T_{AC} - \frac{9.6}{13}T_{AD} + P = 0$$
 (2)

$$\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - \frac{7.2}{13}T_{AD} = 0 {3}$$

Making  $T_{AD} = 520 \text{ N}$  in Eqs. (1) and (3):

$$-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + 200 \text{ N} = 0 \tag{1'}$$

$$\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - 288 \text{ N} = 0 \tag{3'}$$

Multiply (1') by 9, (3') by 8, and add:

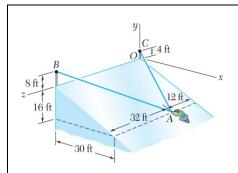
$$9.24T_{AC} - 504 \text{ N} = 0$$
  $T_{AC} = 54.5455 \text{ N}$ 

Substitute into (1') and solve for  $T_{AB}$ :

$$T_{AB} = \frac{17}{8}(0.6 \times 54.5455 + 200)$$
  $T_{AB} = 494.545 \text{ N}$ 

Substitute for the tensions in Eq. (2) and solve for P:

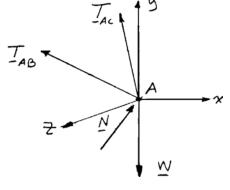
$$P = \frac{12}{17} (494.545 \text{ N}) + 0.64(54.5455 \text{ N}) + \frac{9.6}{13} (520 \text{ N})$$
= 768.00 N Weight of plate = P = 768 N

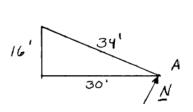


In trying to move across a slippery icy surface, a 175-lb man uses two ropes AB and AC. Knowing that the force exerted on the man by the icy surface is perpendicular to that surface, determine the tension in each rope.

## **SOLUTION**







$$\mathbf{N} = N \left( \frac{16}{34} \mathbf{i} + \frac{30}{34} \mathbf{j} \right)$$
  
and  $\mathbf{W} = W \mathbf{j} = -(175 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{j}$ 

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{(-30 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (20 \text{ ft})\mathbf{j} - (12 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k}}{38 \text{ ft}}$$

$$= T_{AC} \left( -\frac{15}{19} \mathbf{i} + \frac{10}{19} \mathbf{j} - \frac{6}{19} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{(-30 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (24 \text{ ft})\mathbf{j} + (32 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k}}{50 \text{ ft}}$$

$$= T_{AB} \left( -\frac{15}{25} \mathbf{i} + \frac{12}{25} \mathbf{j} + \frac{16}{25} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

Equilibrium condition:  $\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$ 

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{N} + \mathbf{W} = 0$$

# **SOLUTION (Continued)**

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $\mathbf{T}_{AB}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AC}$ ,  $\mathbf{N}$ , and  $\mathbf{W}$ ; factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$ ; and equating each of the coefficients to zero gives the following equations:

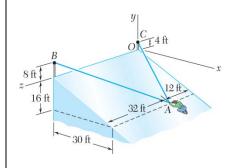
From **i**: 
$$-\frac{15}{25}T_{AB} - \frac{15}{19}T_{AC} + \frac{16}{34}N = 0$$
 (1)

From **j**: 
$$\frac{12}{25}T_{AB} + \frac{10}{19}T_{AC} + \frac{30}{34}N - (175 \text{ lb}) = 0$$
 (2)

From **k**: 
$$\frac{16}{25}T_{AB} - \frac{6}{19}T_{AC} = 0 \tag{3}$$

Solving the resulting set of equations gives:

 $T_{AB} = 30.8 \text{ lb}; \ T_{AC} = 62.5 \text{ lb} \ \blacktriangleleft$ 



Solve Problem 2.90, assuming that a friend is helping the man at *A* by pulling on him with a force  $\mathbf{P} = -(45 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$ .

**PROBLEM 2.90** In trying to move across a slippery icy surface, a 175-lb man uses two ropes *AB* and *AC*. Knowing that the force exerted on the man by the icy surface is perpendicular to that surface, determine the tension in each rope.

# **SOLUTION**

Refer to Problem 2.90 for the figure and analysis leading to the following set of equations, Equation (3) being modified to include the additional force  $\mathbf{P} = (-45 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$ .

$$-\frac{15}{25}T_{AB} - \frac{15}{19}T_{AC} + \frac{16}{34}N = 0 \tag{1}$$

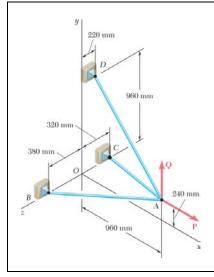
$$\frac{12}{25}T_{AB} + \frac{10}{19}T_{AC} + \frac{30}{34}N - (175 \text{ lb}) = 0$$
 (2)

$$\frac{16}{25}T_{AB} - \frac{6}{19}T_{AC} - (45 \text{ lb}) = 0 \tag{3}$$

Solving the resulting set of equations simultaneously gives:

$$T_{AB} = 81.3 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{AC} = 22.2 \text{ lb}$$



Three cables are connected at A, where the forces  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are applied as shown. Knowing that Q = 0, find the value of P for which the tension in cable AD is 305 N.

### **SOLUTION**

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}_{A} = 0: \quad \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + \mathbf{P} = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{P} = P\mathbf{i}$$

$$\overline{AB} = -(960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (240 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (380 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k} \qquad AB = 1060 \text{ mm}$$

$$\overline{AC} = -(960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (240 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k} \qquad AC = 1040 \text{ mm}$$

$$\overline{AD} = -(960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (720 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (220 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k} \qquad AD = 1220 \text{ mm}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = T_{AB} \left( -\frac{48}{53}\mathbf{i} - \frac{12}{53}\mathbf{j} + \frac{19}{53}\mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = T_{AC} \left( -\frac{12}{13}\mathbf{i} - \frac{3}{13}\mathbf{j} - \frac{4}{13}\mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \lambda_{AD} = \frac{305 \text{ N}}{1220 \text{ mm}} [(-960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (720 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (220 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= -(240 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (180 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (55 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

Substituting into  $\Sigma \mathbf{F}_A = 0$ , factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , and setting each coefficient equal to  $\phi$  gives:

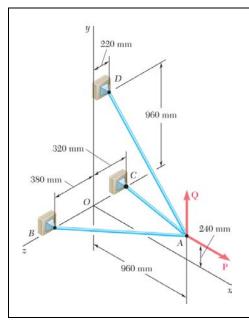
i: 
$$P = \frac{48}{53}T_{AB} + \frac{12}{13}T_{AC} + 240 \text{ N}$$
 (1)

$$\mathbf{j}$$
:  $\frac{12}{53}T_{AB} + \frac{3}{13}T_{AC} = 180 \text{ N}$  (2)

**k**: 
$$\frac{19}{53}T_{AB} - \frac{4}{13}T_{AC} = 55 \text{ N}$$
 (3)

Solving the system of linear equations using conventional algorithms gives:

$$T_{AB} = 446.71 \text{ N}$$
  
 $T_{AC} = 341.71 \text{ N}$   $P = 960 \text{ N}$ 



Three cables are connected at A, where the forces **P** and **Q** are applied as shown. Knowing that P = 1200 N, determine the values of Q for which cable AD is taut.

### **SOLUTION**

We assume that  $T_{AD} = 0$  and write  $\Sigma \mathbf{F}_A = 0$ :  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + Q\mathbf{j} + (1200 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} = 0$ 

 $\overline{AB} = -(960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (240 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (380 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$  AB = 1060 mm

 $\overrightarrow{AC} = -(960 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} - (240 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} - (320 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}$  AC = 1040 mm

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \, \frac{\overrightarrow{AB}}{AB} = \left( -\frac{48}{53} \mathbf{i} - \frac{12}{53} \mathbf{j} + \frac{19}{53} \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \, \frac{\overrightarrow{AC}}{AC} = \left( -\frac{12}{13} \mathbf{i} - \frac{3}{13} \mathbf{j} - \frac{4}{13} \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AC}$$

Substituting into  $\Sigma \mathbf{F}_A = 0$ , factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , and setting each coefficient equal to  $\phi$  gives:

i: 
$$-\frac{48}{53}T_{AB} - \frac{12}{13}T_{AC} + 1200 \text{ N} = 0$$
 (1)

$$\mathbf{j}: \quad -\frac{12}{53}T_{AB} - \frac{3}{13}T_{AC} + Q = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k}: \quad \frac{19}{53}T_{AB} - \frac{4}{13}T_{AC} = 0 \tag{3}$$

Solving the resulting system of linear equations using conventional algorithms gives:

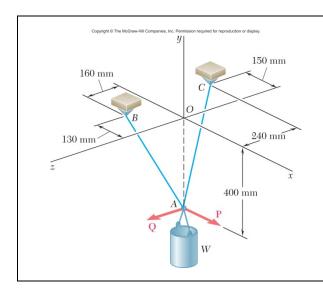
$$T_{AB} = 605.71 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{AC} = 705.71 \text{ N}$$

$$Q = 300.00 \text{ N}$$

$$0 \le Q < 300 \text{ N}$$

*Note:* This solution assumes that Q is directed upward as shown  $(Q \ge 0)$ , if negative values of Q are considered, cable AD remains taut, but AC becomes slack for Q = -460 N.



A container of weight W is suspended from ring A. Cable BAC passes through the ring and is attached to fixed supports at B and C. Two forces  $\mathbf{P} = P\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{Q} = Q\mathbf{k}$  are applied to the ring to maintain the container in the position shown. Knowing that W = 376 N, determine P and Q. (*Hint:* The tension is the same in both portions of cable BAC.)

### **SOLUTION**

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T \lambda_{AB}$$

$$= T \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB}$$

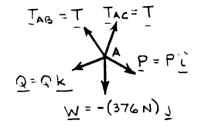
$$= T \frac{(-130 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (400 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (160 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}}{450 \text{ mm}}$$

$$= T \left( -\frac{13}{45}\mathbf{i} + \frac{40}{45}\mathbf{j} + \frac{16}{45}\mathbf{k} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T^{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}_{AC} &= T \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AC} \\ &= T \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} \\ &= T \frac{(-150 \text{ mm})\mathbf{i} + (400 \text{ mm})\mathbf{j} + (-240 \text{ mm})\mathbf{k}}{490 \text{ mm}} \\ &= T \left( -\frac{15}{49} \mathbf{i} + \frac{40}{49} \mathbf{j} - \frac{24}{49} \mathbf{k} \right) \\ \Sigma F &= 0 \colon \quad \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{W} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Free-Body A:



Setting coefficients of i, j, k equal to zero:

$$\mathbf{j}: \quad +\frac{40}{45}T + \frac{40}{49}T - W = 0 \qquad 1.70521T = W \tag{2}$$

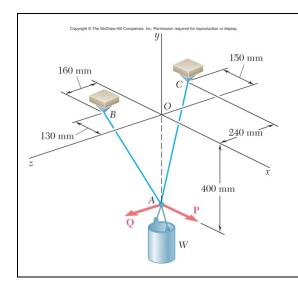
$$\mathbf{k}: +\frac{16}{45}T - \frac{24}{49}T + Q = 0 \qquad 0.134240T = Q$$
 (3)

# PROBLEM 2.94 (Continued)

Data:  $W = 376 \text{ N} \quad 1.70521T = 376 \text{ N} \quad T = 220.50 \text{ N}$ 

0.59501(220.50 N) = P P = 131.2 N

0.134240(220.50 N) = Q Q = 29.6 N



For the system of Problem 2.94, determine W and Q knowing that P = 164 N.

**PROBLEM 2.94** A container of weight W is suspended from ring A. Cable BAC passes through the ring and is attached to fixed supports at B and C. Two forces P = Pi and Q = Qk are applied to the ring to maintain the container in the position shown. Knowing that W = 376 N, determine P and Q. (*Hint:* The tension is the same in both portions of cable BAC.)

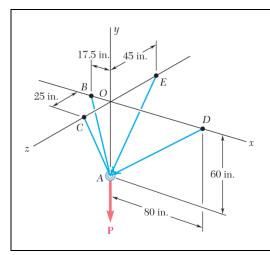
## **SOLUTION**

Refer to Problem 2.94 for the figure and analysis resulting in Equations (1), (2), and (3) for P, W, and Q in terms of T below. Setting P = 164 N we have:

Eq. (1): 0.59501T = 164 N T = 275.63 N

Eq. (2):  $1.70521(275.63 \text{ N}) = W \qquad W = 470 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 

Eq. (3):  $Q = 37.0 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 



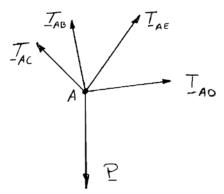
Cable BAC passes through a frictionless ring A and is attached to fixed supports at B and C, while cables AD and AE are both tied to the ring and are attached, respectively, to supports at D and E. Knowing that a 200-lb vertical load P is applied to ring A, determine the tension in each of the three cables.

## **SOLUTION**

Since  $T_{BAC}$  = tension in cable BAC, it follows that

$$T_{AB} = T_{AC} = T_{BAC}$$

# Free Body Diagram at A:



$$\begin{split} \mathbf{T}_{AB} &= T_{BAC} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AB} = T_{BAC} \frac{(-17.5 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{j}}{62.5 \text{ in.}} = T_{BAC} \left( \frac{-17.5}{62.5} \mathbf{i} + \frac{60}{62.5} \mathbf{j} \right) \\ \mathbf{T}_{AC} &= T_{BAC} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AC} = T_{BAC} \frac{(60 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{i} + (25 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{k}}{65 \text{ in.}} = T_{BAC} \left( \frac{60}{65} \mathbf{j} + \frac{25}{65} \mathbf{k} \right) \\ \mathbf{T}_{AD} &= T_{AD} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{(80 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{j}}{100 \text{ in.}} = T_{AD} \left( \frac{4}{5} \mathbf{i} + \frac{3}{5} \mathbf{j} \right) \\ \mathbf{T}_{AE} &= T_{AE} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AE} = T_{AE} \frac{(60 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{j} - (45 \text{ in.}) \mathbf{k}}{75 \text{ in.}} = T_{AE} \left( \frac{4}{5} \mathbf{j} - \frac{3}{5} \mathbf{k} \right) \end{split}$$

## **SOLUTION Continued**

Substituting into  $\Sigma \mathbf{F}_A = 0$ , setting  $\mathbf{P} = (-200 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$ , and setting the coefficients of  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$  equal to  $\phi$ , we obtain the following three equilibrium equations:

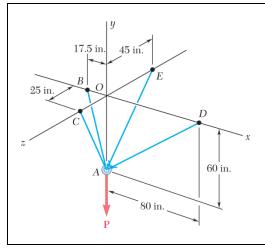
From **i**: 
$$-\frac{17.5}{62.5}T_{BAC} + \frac{4}{5}T_{AD} = 0$$
 (1)

From 
$$\mathbf{j}$$
:  $\left(\frac{60}{62.5} + \frac{60}{65}\right) T_{BAC} + \frac{3}{5} T_{AD} + \frac{4}{5} T_{AE} - 200 \text{ lb} = 0$  (2)

From 
$$\mathbf{k}: \frac{25}{65}T_{BAC} - \frac{3}{5}T_{AE} = 0$$
 (3)

Solving the system of linear equations using conventional algorithms gives:

 $T_{BAC} = 76.7 \text{ lb}; \ T_{AD} = 26.9 \text{ lb}; \ T_{AE} = 49.2 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Knowing that the tension in cable AE of Prob. 2.96 is 75 lb, determine (a) the magnitude of the load **P**, (b) the tension in cables BAC and AD.

**PROBLEM 2.96** Cable *BAC* passes through a frictionless ring *A* and is attached to fixed supports at *B* and *C*, while cables *AD* and *AE* are both tied to the ring and are attached, respectively, to supports at *D* and *E*. Knowing that a 200-lb vertical load **P** is applied to ring *A*, determine the tension in each of the three cables.

### **SOLUTION**

Refer to the solution to Problem 2.96 for the figure and analysis leading to the following set of equilibrium equations, Equation (2) being modified to include  $P_{\mathbf{j}}$  as an unknown quantity:

$$-\frac{17.5}{62.5}T_{BAC} + \frac{4}{5}T_{AD} = 0\tag{1}$$

$$\left(\frac{60}{62.5} + \frac{60}{65}\right) T_{BAC} + \frac{3}{5} T_{AD} + \frac{4}{5} T_{AE} - P = 0$$
 (2)

$$\frac{25}{65}T_{BAC} - \frac{3}{5}T_{AE} = 0 \quad (3)$$

Substituting for  $T_{AE} = 75$  lb and solving simultaneously gives:

(a) 
$$P = 305 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) 
$$T_{BAC} = 117.0 \text{ lb}; T_{AD} = 40.9 \text{ lb}$$

# **SOLUTION Continued**

Then from the specifications of the problem, y = 155 mm = 0.155 m

$$z^2 = 0.23563 \text{ m}^2 - (0.155 \text{ m})^2$$
  
 $z = 0.46 \text{ m}$ 

and

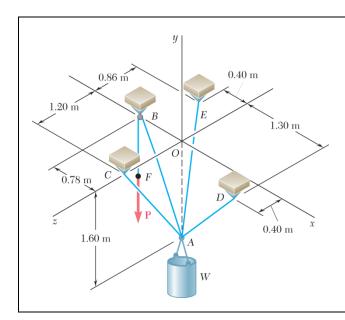
(a) 
$$T_{AB} = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{0.155(1.90476)}$$
$$= 1155.00 \text{ N}$$

or  $T_{AB} = 1155 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 

and

(b) 
$$Q = \frac{341 \text{ N}(0.46 \text{ m})(0.866)}{(0.155 \text{ m})}$$
$$= (1012.00 \text{ N})$$

or  $Q = 1012 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 



A container of weight W is suspended from ring A, to which cables AC and AE are attached. A force  $\mathbf{P}$  is applied to the end F of a third cable that passes over a pulley at B and through ring A and that is attached to a support at D. Knowing that W = 1000 N, determine the magnitude of P. (*Hint:* The tension is the same in all portions of cable FBAD.)

## **SOLUTION**

The (vector) force in each cable can be written as the product of the (scalar) force and the unit vector along the cable. That is, with

$$\overline{AB} = -(0.78 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(-0.78 \text{ m})^2 + (1.6 \text{ m})^2 + (0)^2}$$

$$= 1.78 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T\lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB}$$

$$= \frac{T_{AB}}{1.78 \text{ m}} [-(0.78 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} (-0.4382\mathbf{i} + 0.8989\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k})$$
and
$$\overline{AC} = (0)\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (1.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(0 \text{ m})^2 + (1.6 \text{ m})^2 + (1.2 \text{ m})^2} = 2 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T\lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC} = \frac{T_{AC}}{2 \text{ m}} [(0)\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (1.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T\lambda_{AC} (0.8\mathbf{j} + 0.6\mathbf{k})$$
and
$$\overline{AD} = (1.3 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{(1.3 \text{ m})^2 + (1.6 \text{ m})^2 + (0.4 \text{ m})^2} = 2.1 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T\lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overline{AD}}{AD} = \frac{T_{AD}}{2.1 \text{ m}} [(1.3 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T\lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} (0.6190\mathbf{i} + 0.7619\mathbf{j} + 0.1905\mathbf{k})$$

#### **SOLUTION Continued**

$$\overline{AE} = -(0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (0.86 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$AE = \sqrt{(-0.4 \text{ m})^2 + (1.6 \text{ m})^2 + (-0.86 \text{ m})^2} = 1.86 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AE} = T\lambda_{AE} = T_{AE} \frac{\overline{AE}}{AE}$$

$$= \frac{T_{AE}}{1.86 \text{ m}} [-(0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (0.86 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AE} = T_{AE} (-0.2151\mathbf{i} + 0.8602\mathbf{j} - 0.4624\mathbf{k})$$

With the weight of the container

$$\mathbf{W} = -W\mathbf{j}$$
, at A we have:

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} - W\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

Equating the factors of i, j, and k to zero, we obtain the following linear algebraic equations:

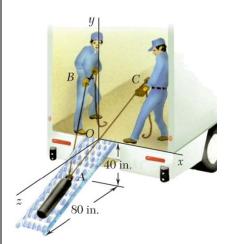
$$-0.4382T_{AB} + 0.6190T_{AD} - 0.2151T_{AE} = 0 (1)$$

$$0.8989T_{AB} + 0.8T_{AC} + 0.7619T_{AD} + 0.8602T_{AE} - W = 0$$
 (2)

$$0.6T_{AC} + 0.1905T_{AD} - 0.4624T_{AE} = 0 (3)$$

Knowing that W = 1000 N and that because of the pulley system at  $BT_{AB} = T_{AD} = P$ , where P is the externally applied (unknown) force, we can solve the system of linear Equations (1), (2) and (3) uniquely for P.

P = 378 N



Using two ropes and a roller chute, two workers are unloading a 200-lb cast-iron counterweight from a truck. Knowing that at the instant shown the counterweight is kept from moving and that the positions of Points A, B, and C are, respectively, A(0, -20 in., 40 in.), B(-40 in., 50 in., 0), and C(45 in., 40 in., 0), and assuming that no friction exists between the counterweight and the chute, determine the tension in each rope. (*Hint*: Since there is no friction, the force exerted by the chute on the counterweight must be perpendicular to the chute.)

# **SOLUTION**

From the geometry of the chute:

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{N}{\sqrt{5}} (2\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{k})$$
$$= N(0.8944\mathbf{j} + 0.4472\mathbf{k})$$

The force in each rope can be written as the product of the magnitude of the force and the unit vector along the cable. Thus, with

$$\overline{AB}$$
 = (40 in.)**i** + (70 in.)**j** - (40 in.)**k**  
 $AB = \sqrt{(40 \text{ in.})^2 + (70 \text{ in.})^2 + (40 \text{ in.})^2}$   
= 90 in.

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T\lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB}$$
$$= \frac{T_{AB}}{90 \text{ in}} [(-40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (70 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \left( -\frac{4}{9}\mathbf{i} + \frac{7}{9}\mathbf{j} - \frac{4}{9}\mathbf{k} \right)$$

and

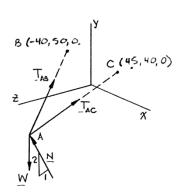
$$\overrightarrow{AC} = (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$
  
 $AC = \sqrt{(45 \text{ in.})^2 + (60 \text{ in.})^2 + (40 \text{ in.})^2} = 85 \text{ in.}$ 

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T\lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC}$$
$$= \frac{T_{AC}}{85 \text{ in.}} [(45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (60 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (40 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \left( \frac{9}{17} \mathbf{i} + \frac{12}{17} \mathbf{j} - \frac{8}{17} \mathbf{k} \right)$$

Then:

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0: \quad \mathbf{N} + \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{W} = 0$$



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# **SOLUTION Continued**

With W = 200 lb, and equating the factors of **i**, **j**, and **k** to zero, we obtain the linear algebraic equations:

$$i: \quad -\frac{4}{9}T_{AB} + \frac{9}{17}T_{AC} = 0 \tag{1}$$

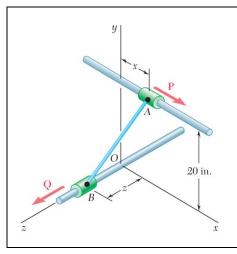
$$\mathbf{j}: \qquad \frac{7}{9}T_{AB} + \frac{12}{17}T_{AC} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} - 200 \text{ lb} = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k}: \quad -\frac{4}{9}T_{AB} - \frac{8}{17}T_{AC} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}N = 0 \tag{3}$$

Using conventional methods for solving linear algebraic equations we obtain:

$$T_{AB} = 65.6 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{AC} = 55.1 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

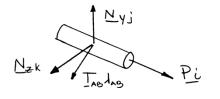


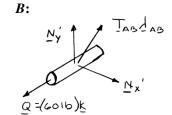
Collars A and B are connected by a 25-in.-long wire and can slide freely on frictionless rods. If a 60-lb force  $\mathbf{Q}$  is applied to collar B as shown, determine (a) the tension in the wire when x = 9 in., (b) the corresponding magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$  required to maintain the equilibrium of the system.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagrams of Collars:

A:





$$\lambda_{AB} = \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB} = \frac{-x\mathbf{i} - (20 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}}{25 \text{ in.}}$$

Collar *A*:

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$$
:  $P\mathbf{i} + N_y \mathbf{j} + N_z \mathbf{k} + T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = 0$ 

Substitute for  $\lambda_{AB}$  and set coefficient of **i** equal to zero:

$$P - \frac{T_{AB}x}{25 \text{ in.}} = 0 ag{1}$$

Collar *B*:

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$$
:  $(60 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k} + N_x'\mathbf{i} + N_y'\mathbf{j} - T_{AB}\lambda_{AB} = 0$ 

Substitute for  $\lambda_{AB}$  and set coefficient of **k** equal to zero:

$$60 \text{ lb} - \frac{T_{AB}z}{25 \text{ in.}} = 0 \tag{2}$$

(a) x = 9 in.

$$(9 \text{ in.})^2 + (20 \text{ in.})^2 + z^2 = (25 \text{ in.})^2$$

z = 12 in.

From Eq. (2):

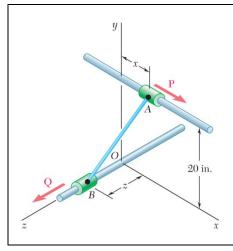
$$\frac{60 \text{ lb} - T_{AB}(12 \text{ in.})}{25 \text{ in}}$$

$$T_{AB} = 125.0 \text{ lb}$$

(*b*) From Eq. (1):

$$P = \frac{(125.0 \text{ lb})(9 \text{ in.})}{25 \text{ in.}}$$

P = 45.0 lb



Collars A and B are connected by a 25-in.-long wire and can slide freely on frictionless rods. Determine the distances x and z for which the equilibrium of the system is maintained when P = 120 lb and Q = 60 lb.

# **SOLUTION**

From Eq. (3):

See Problem 2.100 for the diagrams and analysis leading to Equations (1) and (2) below:

$$P = \frac{T_{AB}x}{25 \text{ in.}} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$60 \text{ lb} - \frac{T_{AB}z}{25 \text{ in.}} = 0 \tag{2}$$

For 
$$P = 120 \text{ lb}$$
, Eq. (1) yields  $T_{AB}x = (25 \text{ in.})(20 \text{ lb})$  (1')

From Eq. (2): 
$$T_{AB}z = (25 \text{ in.})(60 \text{ lb})$$
 (2')

Dividing Eq. (1') by (2'), 
$$\frac{x}{z} = 2$$
 (3)

Now write 
$$x^2 + z^2 + (20 \text{ in.})^2 = (25 \text{ in.})^2$$
 (4)

Solving (3) and (4) simultaneously,

$$4z^{2} + z^{2} + 400 = 625$$

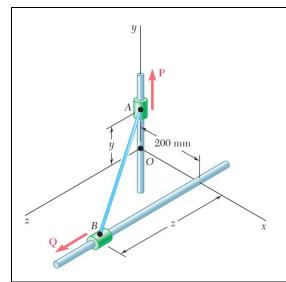
$$z^{2} = 45$$

$$z = 6.7082 \text{ in.}$$

$$x = 2z = 2(6.7082 \text{ in.})$$

$$= 13.4164 \text{ in.}$$

 $x = 13.42 \text{ in.}, z = 6.71 \text{ in.} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Collars A and B are connected by a 525-mm-long wire and can slide freely on frictionless rods. If a force  $\mathbf{P} = (341 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$  is applied to collar A, determine (a) the tension in the wire when y = 155 mm, (b) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{Q}$  required to maintain the equilibrium of the system.

# **SOLUTION**

For both Problems 2.102 and 2.103:

Free-Body Diagrams of Collars:

Here

$$(0.525 \text{ m})^2 = (0.20 \text{ m})^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

 $(AB)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ 

or

$$v^2 + z^2 = 0.23563 \text{ m}^2$$

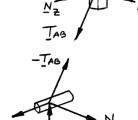
Thus, when y given, z is determined,

Now

$$\lambda_{AB} = \frac{\overline{AB}}{\overline{AB}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{0.525 \text{ m}} (0.20\mathbf{i} - y\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k}) \text{m}$$

$$= 0.38095\mathbf{i} - 1.90476y\mathbf{j} + 1.90476z\mathbf{k}$$



Where y and z are in units of meters, m.

From the F.B. Diagram of collar *A*:

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$$
:  $N_x \mathbf{i} + N_z \mathbf{k} + P \mathbf{j} + T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = 0$ 

Setting the **j** coefficient to zero gives

$$P - (1.90476 \,\mathrm{y}) T_{AB} = 0$$

With

$$P = 341 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{AB} = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{1.90476 \text{ y}}$$

Now, from the free body diagram of collar *B*:

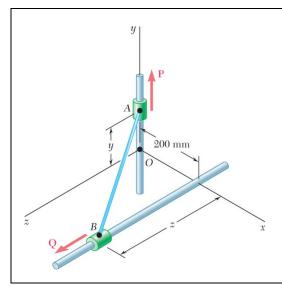
$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$$
:  $N_x \mathbf{i} + N_y \mathbf{j} + Q \mathbf{k} - T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = 0$ 

Setting the k coefficient to zero gives

$$Q - T_{AB}(1.90476z) = 0$$

And using the above result for  $T_{AB}$ , we have

$$Q = T_{AB}z = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{(1.90476)y}(1.90476z) = \frac{(341 \text{ N})(z)}{y}$$



Solve Problem 2.102 assuming that y = 275 mm.

**PROBLEM 2.102** Collars A and B are connected by a 525-mm-long wire and can slide freely on frictionless rods. If a force  $P = (341 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$  is applied to collar A, determine (a) the tension in the wire when y = 155 mm, (b) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{Q}$  required to maintain the equilibrium of the system.

# **SOLUTION**

From the analysis of Problem 2.102, particularly the results:

$$y^{2} + z^{2} = 0.23563 \text{ m}^{2}$$

$$T_{AB} = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{1.90476 y}$$

$$Q = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{y} z$$

With y = 275 mm = 0.275 m, we obtain:

$$z^2 = 0.23563 \text{ m}^2 - (0.275 \text{ m})^2$$
  
 $z = 0.40 \text{ m}$ 

and

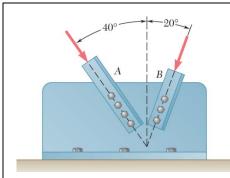
(a) 
$$T_{AB} = \frac{341 \text{ N}}{(1.90476)(0.275 \text{ m})} = 651.00$$

or  $T_{AB} = 651 \,\mathrm{N} \blacktriangleleft$ 

and

(b) 
$$Q = \frac{341 \text{ N}(0.40 \text{ m})}{(0.275 \text{ m})}$$

or Q = 496 N



Two structural members A and B are bolted to a bracket as shown. Knowing that both members are in compression and that the force is 15 kN in member A and 10 kN in member B, determine by trigonometry the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the forces applied to the bracket by members A and B.

## **SOLUTION**

Using the force triangle and the laws of cosines and sines,

we have  $\gamma = 180^{\circ} - (40^{\circ} + 20^{\circ})$ 

=120°

Then  $R^2 = (15 \text{ kN})^2 + (10 \text{ kN})^2$ 

 $-2(15 \text{ kN})(10 \text{ kN})\cos 120^{\circ}$ 

 $=475 \text{ kN}^2$ 

R = 21.794 kN

and  $\frac{10 \text{ kN}}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{21.794 \text{ kN}}{\sin 120^{\circ}}$ 

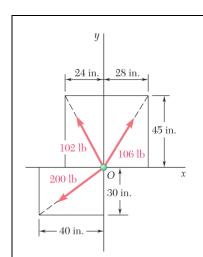
 $\sin \alpha = \left(\frac{10 \text{ kN}}{21.794 \text{ kN}}\right) \sin 120^{\circ}$ 

=0.39737

 $\alpha = 23.414$ 

Hence:  $\phi = \alpha + 50^{\circ} = 73.414$ 

50° p 40° 15 kN 10 kN



Determine the *x* and *y* components of each of the forces shown.

# **SOLUTION**

Compute the following distances:

$$OA = \sqrt{(24 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2}$$
  
= 51.0 in.

= 51.0 in.  

$$OB = \sqrt{(28 \text{ in.})^2 + (45 \text{ in.})^2}$$
= 53.0 in

$$OC = \sqrt{(40 \text{ in.})^2 + (30 \text{ in.})^2}$$
  
= 50.0 in.

102-lb Force: 
$$F_x = -102 \text{ lb} \frac{24 \text{ in.}}{51.0 \text{ in.}}$$

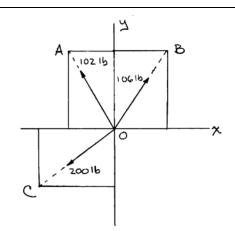
$$F_y = +102 \text{ lb} \frac{45 \text{ in.}}{51.0 \text{ in.}}$$

106-lb Force: 
$$F_x = +106 \text{ lb} \frac{28 \text{ in.}}{53.0 \text{ in.}}$$

$$F_y = +106 \text{ lb} \frac{45 \text{ in.}}{53.0 \text{ in.}}$$

200-lb Force: 
$$F_x = -200 \text{ lb} \frac{40 \text{ in.}}{50.0 \text{ in.}}$$

$$F_y = -200 \text{ lb} \frac{30 \text{ in.}}{50.0 \text{ in.}}$$



$$F_x = -48.0 \text{ lb}$$

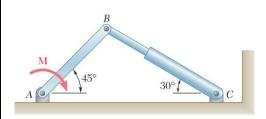
$$F_y = +90.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_x = +56.0 \text{ lb}$$

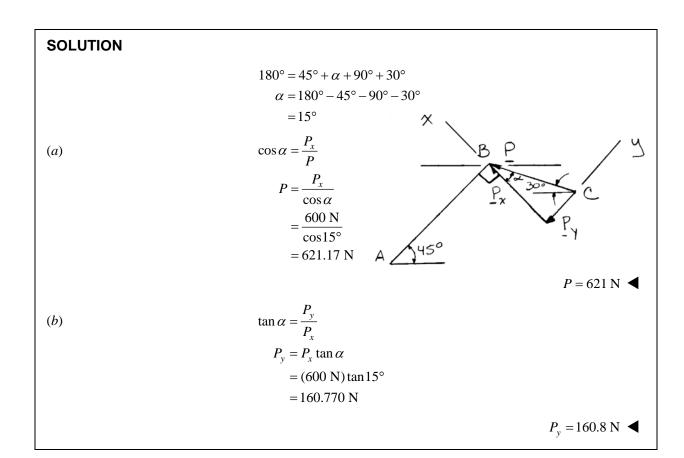
$$F_{\rm v} = +90.0 \; {\rm lb} \; \blacktriangleleft$$

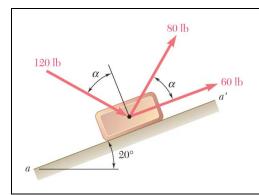
$$F_x = -160.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{\rm v} = -120.0 \; {\rm lb} \; \blacktriangleleft$$



The hydraulic cylinder BC exerts on member AB a force  $\mathbf{P}$  directed along line BC. Knowing that  $\mathbf{P}$  must have a 600-N component perpendicular to member AB, determine (a) the magnitude of the force  $\mathbf{P}$ , (b) its component along line AB.





Knowing that  $\alpha = 40^{\circ}$ , determine the resultant of the three forces shown.

Ry=(29.80316)j

# **SOLUTION**

60-lb Force:  $F_x = (60 \text{ lb})\cos 20^\circ = 56.382 \text{ lb}$ 

 $F_{v} = (60 \text{ lb}) \sin 20^{\circ} = 20.521 \text{ lb}$ 

80-lb Force:  $F_x = (80 \text{ lb})\cos 60^\circ = 40.000 \text{ lb}$ 

 $F_{v} = (80 \text{ lb}) \sin 60^{\circ} = 69.282 \text{ lb}$ 

120-lb Force:  $F_x = (120 \text{ lb}) \cos 30^\circ = 103.923 \text{ lb}$ 

 $F_{v} = -(120 \text{ lb}) \sin 30^{\circ} = -60.000 \text{ lb}$ 

and  $R_x = \Sigma F_x = 200.305 \text{ lb}$ 

 $R_{v} = \Sigma F_{v} = 29.803 \text{ lb}$ 

 $R = \sqrt{(200.305 \text{ lb})^2 + (29.803 \text{ lb})^2}$ 

 $= 202.510 \, lb$ 

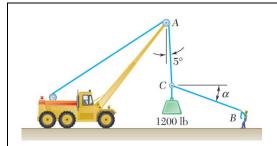
Further:  $\tan \alpha = \frac{29.803}{200.305}$ 

 $\alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{29.803}{200.305}$ 

 $=8.46^{\circ}$ 

 $R = 203 \text{ lb} 8.46^{\circ}$ 

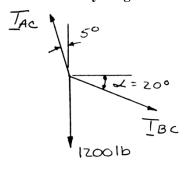
Rx = (200. 305 16) [



Knowing that  $\alpha = 20^{\circ}$ , determine the tension (a) in cable AC, (b) in rope BC.

# **SOLUTION**

# Free-Body Diagram



**Force Triangle** 

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Law of sines:

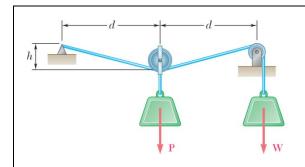
$$\frac{T_{AC}}{\sin 110^{\circ}} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 5^{\circ}} = \frac{1200 \text{ lb}}{\sin 65^{\circ}}$$

$$T_{AC} = \frac{1200 \text{ lb}}{\sin 65^{\circ}} \sin 110^{\circ}$$

$$T_{AC} = 1244 \text{ lb}$$

$$T_{BC} = \frac{1200 \text{ lb}}{\sin 65^{\circ}} \sin 5^{\circ}$$

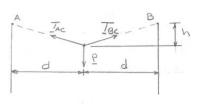
$$T_{BC} = 115.4 \text{ lb}$$



For W = 800 N, P = 200 N, and d = 600 mm, determine the value of h consistent with equilibrium.

# **SOLUTION**

Free-Body Diagram



$$T_{AC} = T_{BC} = 800 \text{ N}$$

$$AC = BC = \sqrt{\left(h^2 + d^2\right)}$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: 2(800 N) $\frac{h}{\sqrt{h^2 + d^2}} - P = 0$ 

$$800 = \frac{P}{2} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{d}{h}\right)^2}$$

Data: P = 200 N, d = 600 mm and solving for h

$$800 \text{ N} = \frac{200 \text{ N}}{2} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{600 \text{ mm}}{h}\right)^2}$$

h = 75.6 mm

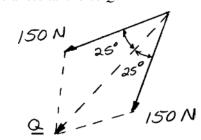
# 500 N 30° Λ 150 N 150 N

## **PROBLEM 2.110**

Three forces are applied to a bracket as shown. The directions of the two 150-N forces may vary, but the angle between these forces is always 50°. Determine the range of values of  $\alpha$  for which the magnitude of the resultant of the forces acting at A is less than 600 N.

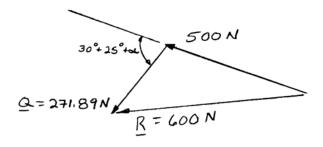
# **SOLUTION**

Combine the two 150-N forces into a resultant force *Q*:



$$Q = 2(150 \text{ N})\cos 25^{\circ}$$
  
= 271.89 N

Equivalent loading at *A*:



Using the law of cosines:

$$(600 \text{ N})^2 = (500 \text{ N})^2 + (271.89 \text{ N})^2 + 2(500 \text{ N})(271.89 \text{ N})\cos(55^\circ + \alpha)$$
  
 $\cos(55^\circ + \alpha) = 0.132685$ 

Two values for  $\alpha$ :

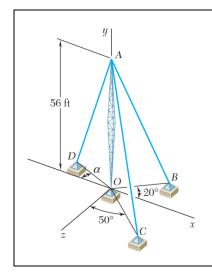
$$55^{\circ} + \alpha = 82.375$$
$$\alpha = 27.4^{\circ}$$

or

$$55^{\circ} + \alpha = -82.375^{\circ}$$
  
 $55^{\circ} + \alpha = 360^{\circ} - 82.375^{\circ}$   
 $\alpha = 222.6^{\circ}$ 

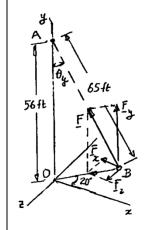
For *R* < 600 lb:

 $27.4^{\circ} < \alpha < 222.6^{\circ}$ 



Cable AB is 65 ft long, and the tension in that cable is 3900 lb. Determine (a) the x, y, and z components of the force exerted by the cable on the anchor B, (b) the angles  $\theta_x$ ,  $\theta_y$ , and  $\theta_z$  defining the direction of that force.

# **SOLUTION**



From triangle *AOB*:

$$\cos \theta_y = \frac{56 \text{ ft}}{65 \text{ ft}}$$
$$= 0.86154$$
$$\theta_y = 30.51^\circ$$

 $F_x = -F \sin \theta_v \cos 20^\circ$ (a)

$$= -(3900 \text{ lb}) \sin 30.51^{\circ} \cos 20^{\circ}$$

$$F_x = -1861 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_y = +F\cos\theta_y = (3900 \text{ lb})(0.86154)$$
  $F_y = +3360 \text{ lb}$ 

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$$F_z = +(3900 \text{ lb}) \sin 30.51^\circ \sin 20^\circ$$
  $F_z = +677 \text{ lb}$ 

$$F_z = +677 \text{ lb } \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) 
$$\cos \theta_x = \frac{F_x}{F} = -\frac{1861 \text{ lb}}{3900 \text{ lb}} = -0.4771$$
  $\theta_x = 118.5^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

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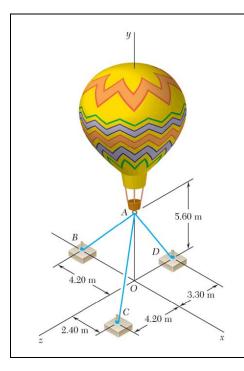
From above:

$$\theta_{y} = 30.51^{\circ}$$

$$\theta_y = 30.5^{\circ}$$

$$\cos \theta_z = \frac{F_z}{F} = +\frac{677 \text{ lb}}{3900 \text{ lb}} = +0.1736$$
  $\theta_z = 80.0^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

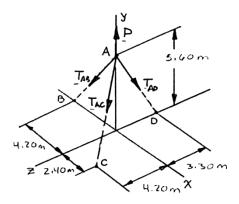
$$\theta_z = 80.0^{\circ}$$



Three cables are used to tether a balloon as shown. Determine the vertical force  $\mathbf{P}$  exerted by the balloon at A knowing that the tension in cable AB is 259 N.

AB = 7.00 m

# **SOLUTION**



The forces applied at *A* are:

and

 $\mathbf{T}_{AB}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AC}$ ,  $\mathbf{T}_{AD}$ , and  $\mathbf{P}$ 

where  $P = P\mathbf{j}$ . To express the other forces in terms of the unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ , we write

 $\overrightarrow{AB} = -(4.20 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j}$ 

$$\overline{AC} = (2.40 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (4.20 \text{ m})\mathbf{k} \quad AC = 7.40 \text{ m}$$

$$\overline{AD} = -(5.60 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (3.30 \text{ m})\mathbf{k} \quad AD = 6.50 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{\overline{AB}} = (-0.6\mathbf{i} - 0.8\mathbf{j})T_{AB}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \lambda_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{\overline{AC}} = (0.32432 - 0.75676\mathbf{j} + 0.56757\mathbf{k})T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overline{AD}}{\overline{AD}} = (-0.86154\mathbf{j} - 0.50769\mathbf{k})T_{AD}$$

## **SOLUTION Continued**

Equilibrium condition

$$\Sigma F = 0$$
:  $\mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + P\mathbf{j} = 0$ 

Substituting the expressions obtained for  $T_{AB}$ ,  $T_{AC}$ , and  $T_{AD}$  and factoring i, j, and k:

$$\begin{aligned} (-0.6T_{AB} + 0.32432T_{AC})\mathbf{i} + (-0.8T_{AB} - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154T_{AD} + P)\mathbf{j} \\ + (0.56757T_{AC} - 0.50769T_{AD})\mathbf{k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Equating to zero the coefficients of i, j, k:

$$-0.6T_{AB} + 0.32432T_{AC} = 0 (1)$$

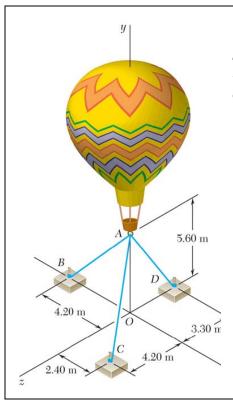
$$-0.8T_{AB} - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154T_{AD} + P = 0 (2)$$

$$0.56757T_{AC} - 0.50769T_{AD} = 0 (3)$$

Setting  $T_{AB} = 259 \text{ N}$  in (1) and (2), and solving the resulting set of equations gives

$$T_{AC} = 479.15 \text{ N}$$
  
 $T_{AD} = 535.66 \text{ N}$ 

P = 1031 N



Three cables are used to tether a balloon as shown. Determine the vertical force  $\mathbf{P}$  exerted by the balloon at A knowing that the tension in cable AC is 444 N.

# **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.112 for the figure and the analysis leading to the linear algebraic Equations (1), (2), and (3) below:

$$-0.6T_{AB} + 0.32432T_{AC} = 0 (1)$$

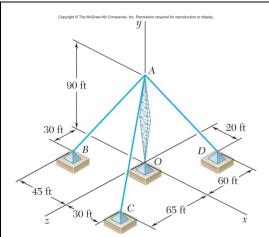
$$-0.8T_{AB} - 0.75676T_{AC} - 0.86154T_{AD} + P = 0 (2)$$

$$0.56757T_{AC} - 0.50769T_{AD} = 0 (3)$$

Substituting  $T_{AC}$  = 444 N in Equations (1), (2), and (3) above, and solving the resulting set of equations using conventional algorithms gives

$$T_{AB} = 240 \text{ N}$$
  
 $T_{AD} = 496.36 \text{ N}$ 

P = 956 N



A transmission tower is held by three guy wires attached to a pin at A and anchored by bolts at B, C, and D. If the tension in wire AB is 630 lb, determine the vertical force  $\mathbf{P}$  exerted by the tower on the pin at A.

## **SOLUTION**

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0: \quad \mathbf{T}_{AB} + \mathbf{T}_{AC} + \mathbf{T}_{AD} + P\mathbf{j} = 0$$

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = -45i - 90j + 30k$$
  $AB = 105 \text{ ft}$ 

$$\overrightarrow{AC} = 30i - 90j + 65k$$
  $AC = 115 \text{ ft}$ 

$$\overrightarrow{AD} = 20i - 90j - 60k$$
  $AD = 110 \text{ ft}$ 

We write

$$\mathbf{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} \lambda_{AB} = T_{AB} \frac{\overline{AB}}{AB}$$
$$= \left( -\frac{3}{7} \mathbf{i} - \frac{6}{7} \mathbf{j} + \frac{2}{7} \mathbf{k} \right) T_{AB}$$

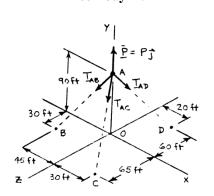
$$\mathbf{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{AC} = T_{AC} \frac{\overline{AC}}{AC}$$
$$= \left(\frac{6}{23} \mathbf{i} - \frac{18}{23} \mathbf{j} + \frac{13}{23} \mathbf{k}\right) T_{AC}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} \lambda_{AD} = T_{AD} \frac{\overrightarrow{AD}}{AD}$$
$$= \left(\frac{2}{11} \mathbf{i} - \frac{9}{11} \mathbf{j} - \frac{6}{11} \mathbf{k}\right) T_{AD}$$

Substituting into the Eq.  $\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$  and factoring  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}$ :

$$\begin{split} &\left(-\frac{3}{7}T_{AB} + \frac{6}{23}T_{AC} + \frac{2}{11}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{i} \\ &\quad + \left(-\frac{6}{7}T_{AB} - \frac{18}{23}T_{AC} - \frac{9}{11}T_{AD} + P\right)\mathbf{j} \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{2}{7}T_{AB} + \frac{13}{23}T_{AC} - \frac{6}{11}T_{AD}\right)\mathbf{k} = 0 \end{split}$$

# Free Body A:



# PROBLEM 2.114 (Continued)

Setting the coefficients of i, j, k, equal to zero:

$$i: \qquad -\frac{3}{7}T_{AB} + \frac{6}{23}T_{AC} + \frac{2}{11}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{j}: \qquad -\frac{6}{7}T_{AB} - \frac{18}{23}T_{AC} - \frac{9}{11}T_{AD} + P = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k}: \qquad \frac{2}{7}T_{AB} + \frac{13}{23}T_{AC} - \frac{6}{11}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{3}$$

Set  $T_{AB} = 630$  lb in Eqs. (1) – (3):

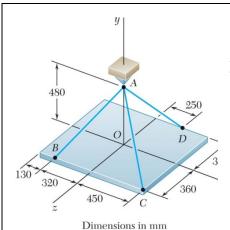
$$-270 \text{ lb} + \frac{6}{23}T_{AC} + \frac{2}{11}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1'}$$

$$-540 \text{ lb} - \frac{18}{23}T_{AC} - \frac{9}{11}T_{AD} + P = 0$$
 (2')

$$180 \text{ lb} + \frac{13}{23} T_{AC} - \frac{6}{11} T_{AD} = 0 \tag{3'}$$

Solving,  $T_{AC} = 467.42 \text{ lb}$   $T_{AD} = 814.35 \text{ lb}$  P = 1572.10 lb P = 1572 lb

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## **PROBLEM 2.115**

A rectangular plate is supported by three cables as shown. Knowing that the tension in cable AD is 520 N, determine the weight of the plate.

#### **SOLUTION**

See Problem 2.114 for the figure and the analysis leading to the linear algebraic Equations (1), (2), and (3) below:

$$-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + \frac{5}{13}T_{AD} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$-\frac{12}{17}T_{AB} + 0.64T_{AC} - \frac{9.6}{13}T_{AD} + P = 0$$
 (2)

$$\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - \frac{7.2}{13}T_{AD} = 0 {3}$$

Making  $T_{AD} = 520 \text{ N}$  in Eqs. (1) and (3):

$$-\frac{8}{17}T_{AB} + 0.6T_{AC} + 200 \text{ N} = 0 \tag{1'}$$

$$\frac{9}{17}T_{AB} + 0.48T_{AC} - 288 \text{ N} = 0 \tag{3'}$$

Multiply (1') by 9, (3') by 8, and add:

$$9.24T_{AC} - 504 \text{ N} = 0$$
  $T_{AC} = 54.5455 \text{ N}$ 

Substitute into (1') and solve for  $T_{AB}$ :

$$T_{AB} = \frac{17}{8}(0.6 \times 54.5455 + 200)$$
  $T_{AB} = 494.545$  N

Substitute for the tensions in Eq. (2) and solve for P:

$$P = \frac{12}{17} (494.545 \text{ N}) + 0.64(54.5455 \text{ N}) + \frac{9.6}{13} (520 \text{ N})$$
  
= 768.00 N Weight of plate = P = 768 N ◀