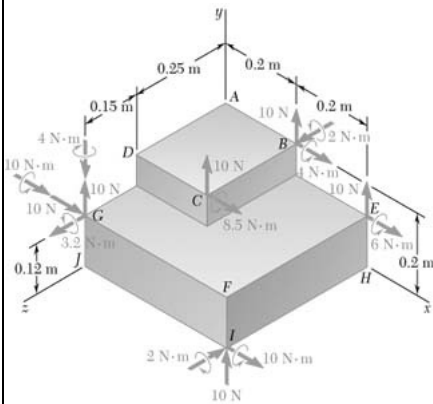


PROBLEM 3.101

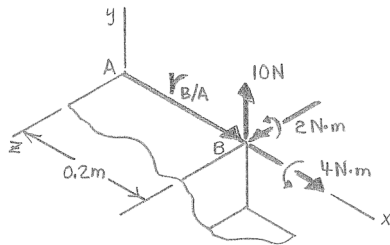
Five separate force-couple systems act at the corners of a metal block, which has been machined into the shape shown. Determine which of these systems is equivalent to a force $\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$ and a couple of moment $\mathbf{M} = (6 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k}$ located at point A.



SOLUTION

The equivalent force-couple system at A for each of the five force-couple systems will be determined. Each will then be compared to the given force-couple system to determine if they are equivalent.

Force-couple system at B



Have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}: (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{F}$$

or

$$\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$$

and

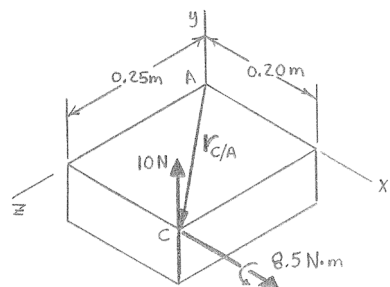
$$\Sigma \mathbf{M}_A: \Sigma \mathbf{M}_B + (\mathbf{r}_{B/A} \times \mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{M}$$

$$(4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k} + (0.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} \times (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = (4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k}$$

Comparing to given force-couple system at A,
Is Not Equivalent ◀

Force-couple system at C



Have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}: (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{F}$$

or

$$\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$$

and

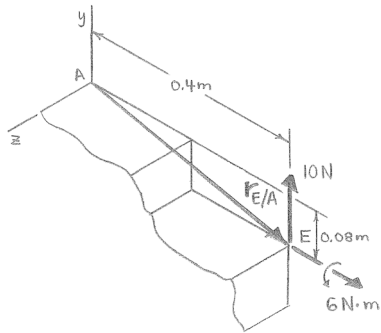
$$\Sigma \mathbf{M}_A: \mathbf{M}_C + (\mathbf{r}_{C/A} \times \mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{M}$$

$$(8.5 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + [(0.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.25 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}] \times (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = (6 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (2.0 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k}$$

Comparing to given force-couple system at A,
Is Not Equivalent ◀

PROBLEM 3.101 CONTINUED



Force-couple system at E

Have $\Sigma \mathbf{F}: (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{F}$

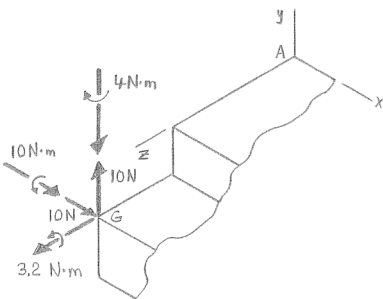
or $\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$

and $\Sigma \mathbf{M}_A: \mathbf{M}_E + (\mathbf{r}_{E/A} \times \mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{M}$

$$(6 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + [(0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (0.08 \text{ m})\mathbf{j}] \times (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = (6 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k}$$

Comparing to given force-couple system at A,
Is Equivalent ◀



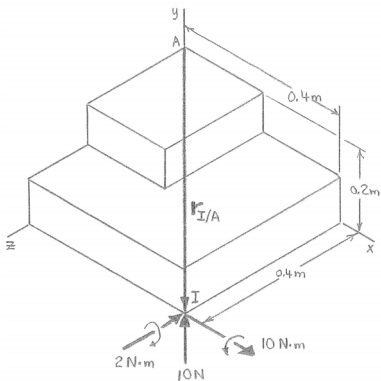
Force-couple system at G

Have $\Sigma \mathbf{F}: (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{F}$

or $\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$

\mathbf{F} has two force components

\therefore force-couple system at G
Is Not Equivalent ◀



Force-couple system at I

Have $\Sigma \mathbf{F}: (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{F}$

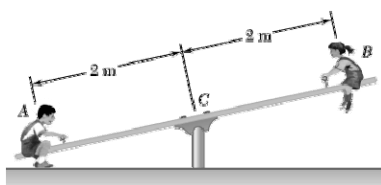
or $\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$

and $\Sigma \mathbf{M}_A: \Sigma \mathbf{M}_I + (\mathbf{r}_{I/A} \times \mathbf{F}) = \mathbf{M}$

$$(10 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} - (2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k} + [(0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (0.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}] \times (10 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{M}$$

or $\mathbf{M} = (6 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{i} + (2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m})\mathbf{k}$

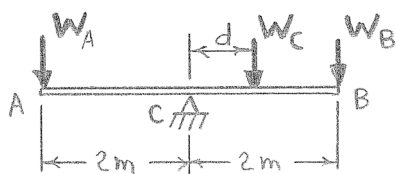
Comparing to given force-couple system at A,
Is Not Equivalent ◀



PROBLEM 3.102

The masses of two children sitting at ends A and B of a seesaw are 38 kg and 29 kg, respectively. Where should a third child sit so that the resultant of the weights of the three children will pass through C if she has a mass of (a) 27 kg, (b) 24 kg.

SOLUTION



First

$$W_A = m_A g = (38 \text{ kg})g$$

$$W_B = m_B g = (29 \text{ kg})g$$

$$W_C = m_C g = (27 \text{ kg})g$$

(a)

For resultant weight to act at C , $\Sigma M_C = 0$

$$\text{Then } [(38 \text{ kg})g](2 \text{ m}) - [(27 \text{ kg})g](d) - [(29 \text{ kg})g](2 \text{ m}) = 0$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{76 - 58}{27} = 0.66667 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } d = 0.667 \text{ m} \blacktriangleleft$$

(b)

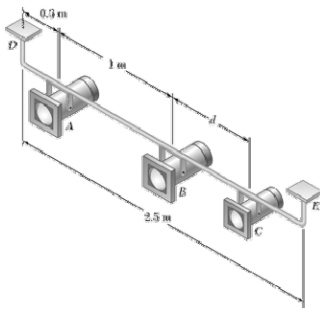
$$W_C = m_C g = (24 \text{ kg})g$$

For resultant weight to act at C , $\Sigma M_C = 0$

$$\text{Then } [(38 \text{ kg})g](2 \text{ m}) - [(24 \text{ kg})g](d) - [(29 \text{ kg})g](2 \text{ m}) = 0$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{76 - 58}{24} = 0.75 \text{ m}$$

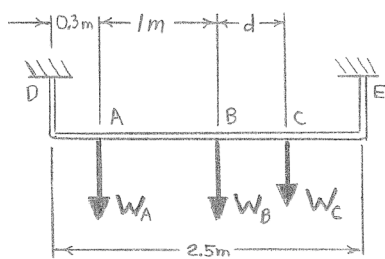
$$\text{or } d = 0.750 \text{ m} \blacktriangleleft$$



PROBLEM 3.103

Three stage lights are mounted on a pipe as shown. The mass of each light is $m_A = m_B = 1.8 \text{ kg}$ and $m_C = 1.6 \text{ kg}$. (a) If $d = 0.75 \text{ m}$, determine the distance from D to the line of action of the resultant of the weights of the three lights. (b) Determine the value of d so that the resultant of the weights passes through the midpoint of the pipe.

SOLUTION



First

$$W_A = W_B = m_A g = (1.8 \text{ kg})g$$

$$W_C = m_C g = (1.6 \text{ kg})g$$

(a)

$$d = 0.75 \text{ m}$$

Have

$$R = W_A + W_B + W_C$$

$$R = [(1.8 + 1.8 + 1.6)\text{kg}]g$$

or

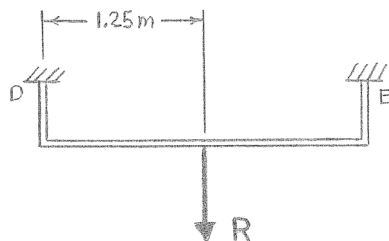
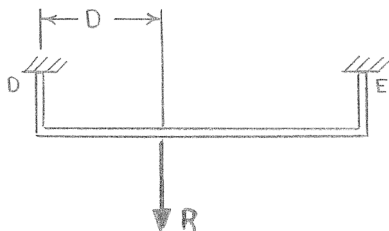
$$\mathbf{R} = (5.2g) \text{ N} \downarrow$$

Have

$$\Sigma M_D: -1.8g(0.3 \text{ m}) - 1.8g(1.3 \text{ m}) - 1.6g(2.05 \text{ m}) = -5.2g(D)$$

$$\therefore D = 1.18462 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } D = 1.185 \text{ m} \blacktriangleleft$$



(b)

$$D = \frac{L}{2} = 1.25 \text{ m}$$

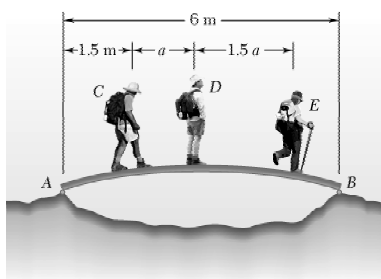
Have

$$\Sigma M_D: -(1.8g)(0.3 \text{ m}) - (1.8g)(1.3 \text{ m}) - (1.6g)(1.3 \text{ m} + d)$$

$$= -(5.2g)(1.25 \text{ m})$$

$$\therefore d = 0.9625 \text{ m}$$

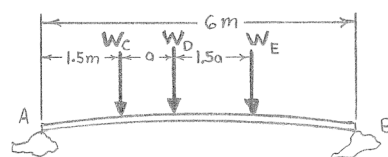
$$\text{or } d = 0.963 \text{ m} \blacktriangleleft$$



PROBLEM 3.104

Three hikers are shown crossing a footbridge. Knowing that the weights of the hikers at points C , D , and E are 800 N, 700 N, and 540 N, respectively, determine (a) the horizontal distance from A to the line of action of the resultant of the three weights when $a = 1.1$ m, (b) the value of a so that the loads on the bridge supports at A and B are equal.

SOLUTION



(a)

$$a = 1.1 \text{ m}$$

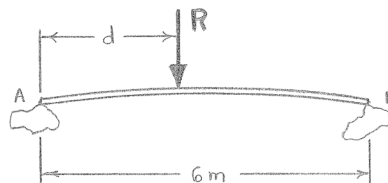
Have

$$\Sigma F: -W_C - W_D - W_E = R$$

$$\therefore R = -800 \text{ N} - 700 \text{ N} - 540 \text{ N}$$

$$R = 2040 \text{ N}$$

(a)



or

$$\mathbf{R} = 2040 \text{ N} \downarrow$$

Have

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma M_A: & -(800 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m}) - (700 \text{ N})(2.6 \text{ m}) - (540 \text{ N})(4.25 \text{ m}) \\ & = -R(d) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore -5315 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = -(2040 \text{ N})d$$

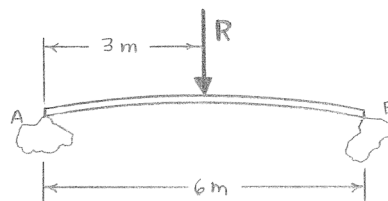
and

$$d = 2.6054 \text{ m}$$

or $d = 2.61 \text{ m}$ to the right of A ◀

(b) For equal reaction forces at A and B , the resultant, \mathbf{R} , must act at the center of the span.

(b)



From

$$\Sigma M_A = -R\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore & -(800 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m}) - (700 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m} + a) - (540 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m} + 2.5a) \\ & = -(2040 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) \end{aligned}$$

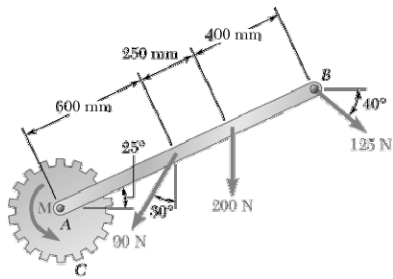
$$3060 + 2050a = 6120$$

and

$$a = 1.49268 \text{ m}$$

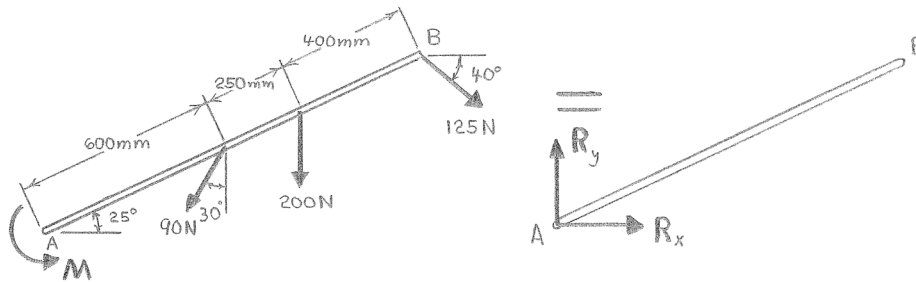
or $a = 1.493 \text{ m}$ ◀

PROBLEM 3.105



Gear C is rigidly attached to arm AB. If the forces and couple shown can be reduced to a single equivalent force at A, determine the equivalent force and the magnitude of the couple **M**.

SOLUTION



For equivalence

$$\Sigma F_x: -(90 \text{ N})\sin 30^\circ + (125 \text{ N})\cos 40^\circ = R_x$$

$$\text{or } R_x = 50.756 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma F_y: -(90 \text{ N})\cos 30^\circ - 200 \text{ N} - (125 \text{ N})\sin 40^\circ = R_y$$

$$\text{or } R_y = -358.29 \text{ N}$$

Then

$$R = \sqrt{(50.756)^2 + (-358.29)^2} = 361.87 \text{ N}$$

and

$$\tan \theta = \frac{R_y}{R_x} = \frac{-358.29}{50.756} = -7.0591 \quad \therefore \theta = -81.937^\circ$$

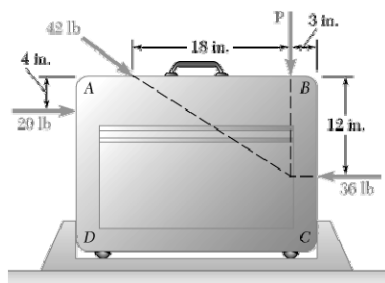
$$\text{or } \mathbf{R} = 362 \text{ N} \searrow 81.9^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

Also

$$\Sigma M_A: M - [(90 \text{ N})\sin 35^\circ](0.6 \text{ m}) - [(200 \text{ N})\cos 25^\circ](0.85 \text{ m}) - [(125 \text{ N})\sin 65^\circ](1.25 \text{ m}) = 0$$

$$\therefore M = 326.66 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

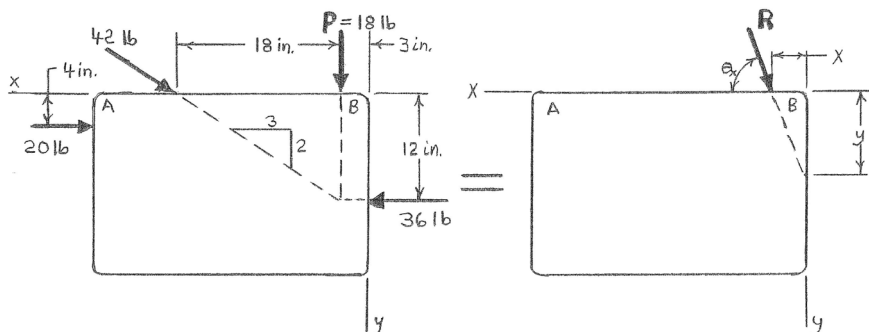
$$\text{or } \mathbf{M} = 327 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleleft$$



PROBLEM 3.106

To test the strength of a 25 × 20-in. suitcase, forces are applied as shown. If $P = 18$ lb, (a) determine the resultant of the applied forces, (b) locate the two points where the line of action of the resultant intersects the edge of the suitcase.

SOLUTION



(a) $P = 18$ lb

Have
$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}: -(20 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + \frac{42 \text{ lb}}{\sqrt{13}}(-3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}) + (18 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} = R_x\mathbf{i} + R_y\mathbf{j}$$

$$\therefore -(18.9461 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (41.297 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} = R_x\mathbf{i} + R_y\mathbf{j}$$

or

$$\mathbf{R} = -(18.95 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (41.3 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$$

$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2} = \sqrt{(18.9461)^2 + (41.297)^2} = 45.436 \text{ lb}$$

$$\theta_x = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{R_y}{R_x}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{41.297}{-18.9461}\right) = -65.355^\circ$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{R} = 45.4 \text{ lb} \searrow 65.4^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) Have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{M}_B = \mathbf{M}_B$$

$$\mathbf{M}_B = (4 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} \times (-20 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (21 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} \times \left[\frac{42 \text{ lb}}{\sqrt{13}}(-3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j})\right] + (12 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} \times (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (3 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} \times (18 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{M}_B = (191.246 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{k}$$

PROBLEM 3.106 CONTINUED

Since

$$\mathbf{M}_B = \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{R}$$

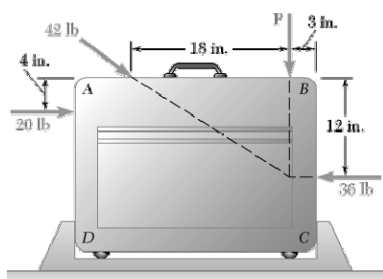
$$\therefore (191.246 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{k} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x & y & 0 \\ -18.9461 & 41.297 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (41.297x + 18.9461y)\mathbf{k}$$

For

$$y = 0, \quad x = \frac{191.246}{41.297} = 4.6310 \text{ in.} \quad \text{or } x = 4.63 \text{ in.} \blacktriangleleft$$

For

$$x = 0, \quad y = \frac{191.246}{18.9461} = 10.0942 \text{ in.} \quad \text{or } y = 10.09 \text{ in.} \blacktriangleleft$$

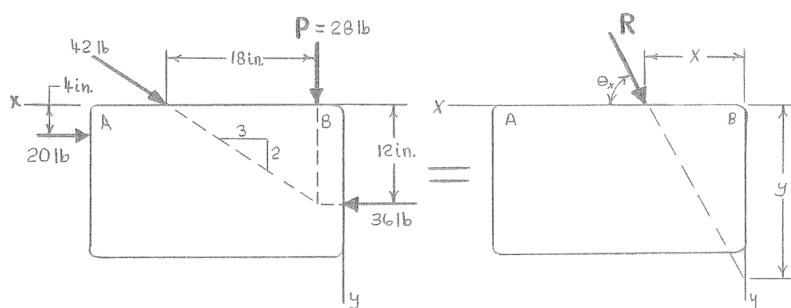


PROBLEM 3.107

Solve Problem 3.106 assuming that $P = 28$ lb.

Problem 3.106: To test the strength of a 25×20 -in. suitcase, forces are applied as shown. If $P = 18$ lb, (a) determine the resultant of the applied forces, (b) locate the two points where the line of action of the resultant intersects the edge of the suitcase.

SOLUTION



(a) $P = 28$ lb

Have $\Sigma \mathbf{F}$: $-(20 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + \frac{42}{\sqrt{13}}(-3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}) + (28 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} + (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} = R_x\mathbf{i} + R_y\mathbf{j}$

$$\therefore -(18.9461 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (51.297 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} = R_x\mathbf{i} + R_y\mathbf{j}$$

or

$$\mathbf{R} = -(18.95 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (51.3 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$$

$$R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2} = \sqrt{(18.9461)^2 + (51.297)^2} = 54.684 \text{ lb}$$

$$\theta_x = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{R_y}{R_x}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{51.297}{-18.9461}\right) = -69.729^\circ$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{R} = 54.7 \text{ lb} \searrow 69.7^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

(b) Have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{M}_B = \mathbf{M}_B$$

$$\mathbf{M}_B = (4 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} \times (-20 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (21 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} \times \left[\frac{42 \text{ lb}}{\sqrt{13}}(-3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}) \right] + (12 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} \times (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} + (3 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} \times (28 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{M}_B = (221.246 \text{ lb}\cdot\text{in.})\mathbf{k}$$

PROBLEM 3.107 CONTINUED

Since

$$\mathbf{M}_B = \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{R}$$

$$\therefore (221.246 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{k} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x & y & 0 \\ -18.9461 & 51.297 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = (51.297x + 18.9461y)\mathbf{k}$$

For $y = 0$, $x = \frac{221.246}{51.297} = 4.3130 \text{ in.}$ or $x = 4.31 \text{ in.} \blacktriangleleft$

For $x = 0$, $y = \frac{221.246}{18.9461} = 11.6776 \text{ in.}$ or $y = 11.68 \text{ in.} \blacktriangleleft$