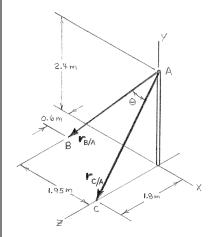


Consider the volleyball net shown. Determine the angle formed by guy wires AB and AC.

### **SOLUTION**



First note

$$AB = \left| \mathbf{r}_{B/A} \right| = \sqrt{\left( -1.95 \text{ m} \right)^2 + \left( -2.4 \text{ m} \right)^2 + \left( 0.6 \text{ m} \right)^2}$$
  
= 3.15 m

$$AC = \left| \mathbf{r}_{C/A} \right| = \sqrt{(0 \text{ m})^2 + (-2.4 \text{ m})^2 + (1.8 \text{ m})^2}$$
  
= 3.0 m

and

$$\mathbf{r}_{B/A} = -(1.95 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (2.40 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/A} = -(2.40 \,\mathrm{m})\mathbf{j} + (1.80 \,\mathrm{m})\mathbf{k}$$

By definition

$$\mathbf{r}_{B/A} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{C/A} = \left| \mathbf{r}_{B/A} \right| \left| \mathbf{r}_{C/A} \right| \cos \theta$$

or 
$$(-1.95\mathbf{i} - 2.40\mathbf{j} + 0.6\mathbf{k}) \cdot (-2.40\mathbf{j} + 1.80\mathbf{k}) = (3.15)(3.0)\cos\theta$$

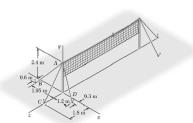
$$(-1.95)(0) + (-2.40)(-2.40) + (0.6)(1.8) = 9.45\cos\theta$$

$$\therefore \cos\theta = 0.72381$$

and

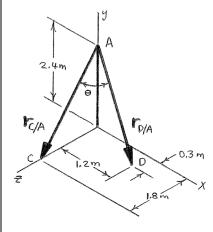
$$\theta = 43.630^{\circ}$$

or 
$$\theta = 43.6^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$$



Consider the volleyball net shown. Determine the angle formed by guy wires AC and AD.

# **SOLUTION**



First note

$$AC = \left| \mathbf{r}_{C/A} \right| = \sqrt{\left( -2.4 \right)^2 + \left( 1.8 \right)^2} \text{ m} = 3 \text{ m}$$

$$AD = \left| \mathbf{r}_{D/A} \right| = \sqrt{(1.2)^2 + (-2.4)^2 + (0.3)^2} \text{ m} = 2.7 \text{ m}$$

and

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/A} = -(2.4 \,\mathrm{m})\mathbf{j} + (1.8 \,\mathrm{m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{D/A} = (1.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (2.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.3 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

By definition

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/A} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{D/A} = \left| \mathbf{r}_{C/A} \right| \left| \mathbf{r}_{D/A} \right| \cos \theta$$

or 
$$(-2.4\mathbf{j} + 1.8\mathbf{k}) \cdot (1.2\mathbf{i} - 2.4\mathbf{j} + 0.3\mathbf{k}) = (3)(2.7)\cos\theta$$

$$(0)(1.2) + (-2.4)(-2.4) + (1.8)(0.3) = 8.1\cos\theta$$

and  $\cos \theta = \frac{6.3}{8.1} = 0.77778$ 

$$\theta = 38.942^{\circ}$$

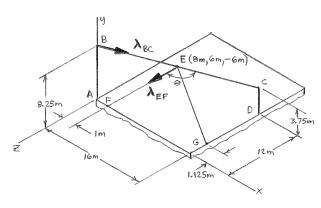
or  $\theta = 38.9^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

# 8.25 m F C D 3.75 m

### **PROBLEM 3.39**

Steel framing members AB, BC, and CD are joined at B and C and are braced using cables EF and EG. Knowing that E is at the midpoint of BC and that the tension in cable EF is 330 N, determine (a) the angle between EF and member BC, (b) the projection on BC of the force exerted by cable EF at point E.

### **SOLUTION**



(a) By definition

$$\lambda_{BC} \cdot \lambda_{EF} = (1)(1)\cos\theta$$

where

$$\lambda_{BC} = \frac{(16 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (4.5 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (12 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(16)^2 + (4.5)^2 + (12)^2} \text{ m}} = \frac{1}{20.5} (16\mathbf{i} - 4.5\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k})$$

$$\lambda_{EF} = \frac{-(7 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (6 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(7)^2 + (6)^2 + (6)^2} \text{m}} = \frac{1}{11.0} (-7\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k})$$

$$\therefore \frac{\left(16\mathbf{i} - 4.5\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}\right)}{20.5} \cdot \frac{\left(-7\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + 6\mathbf{k}\right)}{11.0} = \cos\theta$$

$$(16)(-7) + (-4.5)(-6) + (-12)(6) = (20.5)(11.0)\cos\theta$$

and

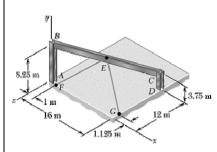
$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-157}{225.5}\right) = 134.125^{\circ}$$

or  $\theta = 134.1^{\circ}$ 

(b) By definition

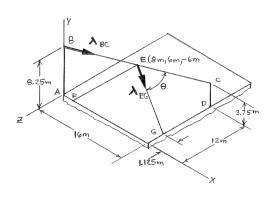
$$(T_{EF})_{BC} = T_{EF} \cos \theta$$
  
= (330 N)cos134.125°  
= -229.26 N

or 
$$(T_{EF})_{BC} = -230 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$$



Steel framing members AB, BC, and CD are joined at B and C and are braced using cables EF and EG. Knowing that E is at the midpoint of BC and that the tension in cable EG is 445 N, determine (a) the angle between EG and member BC, (b) the projection on BC of the force exerted by cable EG at point E.

### **SOLUTION**



(a) By definition

$$\lambda_{BC} \cdot \lambda_{EG} = (1)(1)\cos\theta$$

where

$$\lambda_{BC} = \frac{(16 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (4.5 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (12 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(16 \text{ m})^2 + (4.5)^2 + (12)^2 \text{ m}}} = \frac{16\mathbf{i} - 4.5\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}}{20.5}$$

$$= 0.78049 \mathbf{i} - 0.21951 \mathbf{j} - 0.58537 \mathbf{k}$$

$$\lambda_{EG} = \frac{(8 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (4.875 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(8)^2 + (6)^2 + (4.875)^2 \text{m}}} = \frac{8\mathbf{i} - 6\mathbf{j} + 4.875\mathbf{k}}{11.125}$$

$$= 0.71910\mathbf{i} - 0.53933\mathbf{j} + 0.43820\mathbf{k}$$

$$\therefore \ \lambda_{BC} \cdot \lambda_{EG} = \frac{16(8) + (-4.5)(-6) + (-12)(4.875)}{(20.5)(11.25)} = \cos \theta$$

and

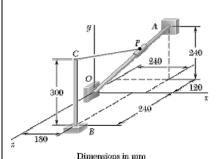
$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{96.5}{228.06}\right) = 64.967^{\circ}$$

or  $\theta = 65.0^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) By definition

$$(T_{EG})_{BC} = T_{EG}\cos\theta$$
  
= (445 N)cos 64.967°  
= 188.295 N

or  $(T_{EG})_{RC} = 188.3 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 



Slider P can move along rod OA. An elastic cord PC is attached to the slider and to the vertical member BC. Knowing that the distance from O to P is 0.12 m and the tension in the cord is 30 N, determine (a) the angle between the elastic cord and the rod OA, (b) the projection on OA of the force exerted by cord PC at point P.

### **SOLUTION**

(a) By definition

$$\lambda_{OA} \cdot \lambda_{PC} = (1)(1)\cos\theta$$

where

$$\lambda_{OA} = \frac{(0.24 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.24 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (0.12 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(0.24)^2 + (0.24)^2 + (0.12)^2} \text{ m}}$$

$$=\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i}+\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j}-\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}$$

Knowing that  $|\mathbf{r}_{A/O}| = L_{OA} = 0.36$  m and that P is located 0.12 m from O, it follows that the coordinates of P are  $\frac{1}{3}$  the coordinates of A.

 $\therefore P(0.08 \text{ m}, 0.08 \text{ m}, -0.040 \text{ m})$ 

Then

$$\lambda_{PC} = \frac{(0.10 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.22 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (0.28 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(0.10)^2 + (0.22)^2 + (0.28)^2} \text{ m}}$$

$$= 0.27037\mathbf{i} + 0.59481\mathbf{j} + 0.75703\mathbf{k}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}\right) \cdot \left(0.27037\mathbf{i} + 0.59481\mathbf{j} + 0.75703\mathbf{k}\right) = \cos\theta$$

and

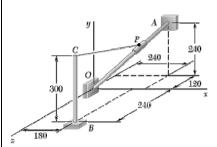
$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(0.32445) = 71.068^{\circ}$$

or  $\theta = 71.1^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) 
$$(T_{PC})_{OA} = T_{PC} \cos \theta = (30 \text{ N}) \cos 71.068^{\circ}$$

$$(T_{PC})_{QA} = 9.7334 \text{ N}$$

or  $(T_{PC})_{OA} = 9.73 \,\text{N}$ 



Slider P can move along rod OA. An elastic cord PC is attached to the slider and to the vertical member BC. Determine the distance from O to P for which cord PC and rod OA are perpendicular.

### **SOLUTION**

The requirement that member OA and the elastic cord PC be perpendicular implies that

$$\lambda_{OA} \cdot \lambda_{PC} = 0$$
 or  $\lambda_{OA} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{C/P} = 0$ 

where

$$\lambda_{\mathit{OA}} = \frac{\left(0.24 \text{ m}\right)\mathbf{i} + \left(0.24 \text{ m}\right)\mathbf{j} - \left(0.12 \text{ m}\right)\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{\left(0.24\right)^2 + \left(0.24\right)^2 + \left(0.12\right)^2} \text{ m}}$$

$$=\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i}+\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j}-\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}$$

Letting the coordinates of P be P(x, y, z), we have

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/P} = \left[ (0.18 - x)\mathbf{i} + (0.30 - y)\mathbf{j} + (0.24 - z)\mathbf{k} \right] \mathbf{m}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}\right) \cdot \left[ (0.18 - x)\mathbf{i} + (0.30 - y)\mathbf{j} + (0.24 - z)\mathbf{k} \right] = 0$$
 (1)

Since

$$\mathbf{r}_{P/O} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{OA} d_{OP} = \frac{d_{OP}}{3} (2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}),$$

Then

$$x = \frac{2}{3}d_{OP}, \quad y = \frac{2}{3}d_{OP}, \quad z = \frac{-1}{3}d_{OP}$$
 (2)

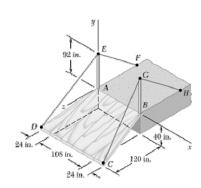
Substituting the expressions for x, y, and z from Equation (2) into Equation (1),

$$\frac{1}{3} \left( 2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k} \right) \cdot \left[ \left( 0.18 - \frac{2}{3} d_{OP} \right) \mathbf{i} + \left( 0.30 - \frac{2}{3} d_{OP} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left( 0.24 + \frac{1}{3} d_{OP} \right) \mathbf{k} \right] = 0$$

or

$$3d_{OP} = 0.36 + 0.60 - 0.24 = 0.72$$

$$d_{OP} = 0.24 \text{ m}$$



Determine the volume of the parallelepiped of Figure 3.25 when (a)  $\mathbf{P} = -(7 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (2 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q} = (3 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (2 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (4 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ , and  $\mathbf{S} = -(5 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (6 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ , (b)  $\mathbf{P} = (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (2 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q} = -(8 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (9 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ , and  $\mathbf{S} = (2 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (3 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} + (1 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$ .

### **SOLUTION**

Volume of a parallelepiped is found using the mixed triple product.

(a) 
$$Vol = \mathbf{P} \cdot (\mathbf{Q} \times \mathbf{S})$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} -7 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 \\ -5 & 6 & -1 \end{vmatrix} in^3 = (-14 + 168 + 20 - 3 + 36 - 20) in^3$$

$$= 187 \text{ in}^3$$

or Volume =  $187 \text{ in}^3 \blacktriangleleft$ 

(b) 
$$Vol = \mathbf{P} \cdot (\mathbf{Q} \times \mathbf{S})$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -8 & -1 & 9 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} in^3 = (-1 - 27 + 36 + 16 + 24 - 2) in^3$$

$$= 46 \, \text{in}^3$$

or Volume =  $46 \text{ in}^3$ 

Given the vectors  $\mathbf{P} = 4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + P_z\mathbf{k}$ ,  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} - 5\mathbf{k}$ , and  $\mathbf{S} = -6\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$ , determine the value of  $P_z$  for which the three vectors are coplanar.

### **SOLUTION**

For the vectors to all be in the same plane, the mixed triple product is zero.

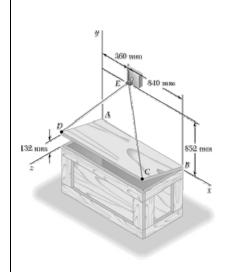
$$\mathbf{P} \cdot (\mathbf{Q} \times \mathbf{S}) = 0$$

$$\therefore O = \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -2 & P_z \\ 1 & 3 & -5 \\ -6 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -12 + 40 - 60 - 2 + P_z(2 + 18)$$

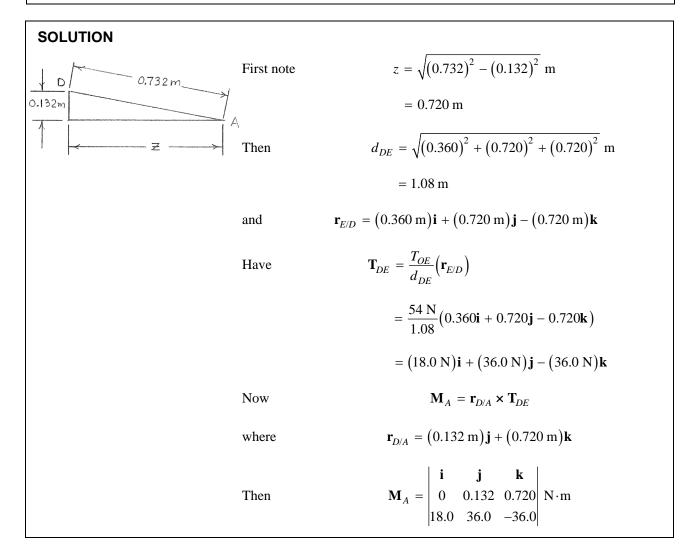
so that

$$P_z = \frac{34}{20} = 1.70$$

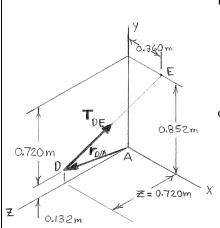
or  $P_z = 1.700$ 



The  $0.732 \times 1.2$ -m lid ABCD of a storage bin is hinged along side AB and is held open by looping cord DEC over a frictionless hook at E. If the tension in the cord is 54 N, determine the moment about each of the coordinate axes of the force exerted by the cord at D.



# **PROBLEM 3.45 CONTINUED**



$$\therefore \mathbf{M}_{A} = \left\{ \left[ (0.132)(-36.0) - (0.720)(36.0) \right] \mathbf{i} + \left[ (0.720)(18.0) - 0 \right] \mathbf{j} \right.$$

$$\left. + \left[ 0 - (0.132)(18.0) \right] \mathbf{k} \right\} \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{m}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_A = -(30.7 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m})\mathbf{i} + (12.96 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m})\mathbf{j} - (2.38 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\therefore M_x = -30.7 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}, M_y = 12.96 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}, M_z = -2.38 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$