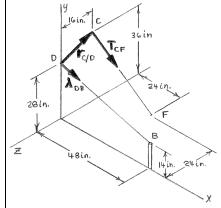


In Problem 3.54, determine the perpendicular distance between cable CF and the line joining points D and B.

Problem 3.54: The triangular plate ABC is supported by ball-and-socket joints at B and D and is held in the position shown by cables AE and CF. If the force exerted by cable CF at C is 132 lb, determine the moment of that force about the line joining points D and B.

SOLUTION



Have

where

$$(M_{DB}) = \lambda_{DB} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{C/D} \times \mathbf{T}_{CF})$$

$$\lambda_{DB} = \frac{\left(48 \text{ in.}\right)\mathbf{i} - \left(14 \text{ in.}\right)\mathbf{j}}{50 \text{ in.}}$$

$$= 0.96\mathbf{i} - 0.28\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/D} = (8 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (16 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{CF} = \lambda_{CF} T_{CF}$$

$$= \frac{(24 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} - (36 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j} - (8 \text{ in.})\mathbf{k}}{44 \text{ in.}} (132 \text{ lb})$$

=
$$(72 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (108 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (24 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\therefore M_{DB} = \begin{vmatrix} 0.96 & -0.28 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & -16 \\ 72 & -108 & -24 \end{vmatrix} \text{ lb · in}$$

$$= -1520.64$$
 lb·in.

Only the perpendicular component of \mathbf{T}_{CF} contributes to the moment of \mathbf{T}_{CF} about line DB. The parallel component of \mathbf{T}_{CF} will be used to obtain the perpendicular component.

PROBLEM 3.63 CONTINUED

Have

$$(T_{CF})_{\text{parallel}} = \lambda_{DB} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{CF}$$

$$= (0.96\mathbf{i} - 0.28\mathbf{j}) \cdot [(72 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (108 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (24 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= [(0.96)(72) + (-0.28)(-108) + (0)(-24)] \text{lb}$$

$$= 99.36 \text{ lb}$$

Since
$$\mathbf{T}_{CF} = (\mathbf{T}_{CF})_{\text{perp.}} + (\mathbf{T}_{CF})_{\text{parallel}}$$

$$T_{CF} = \sqrt{(T_{CF})^2 - (T_{CF})^2_{\text{parallel}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{(132)^2 - (99.36)^2}$$

$$= 86.900 \text{ lb}$$

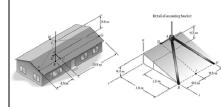
$$M_{DB} = (T_{CF})_{\text{perp.}} (d)$$

Then

$$-1520.64 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.} = (86.900 \text{ lb})d$$

$$d = 17.4988$$
 in.

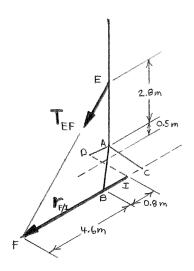
or d = 17.50 in.



In Problem 3.55, determine the perpendicular distance between cable EF and the line joining points D and I.

Problem 3.55: A mast is mounted on the roof of a house using bracket *ABCD* and is guyed by cables *EF*, *EG*, and *EH*. Knowing that the force exerted by cable *EF* at *E* is 66 N, determine the moment of that force about the line joining points *D* and *I*.

SOLUTION



Have

$$M_{DI} = \lambda_{DI} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{F/I} \times \mathbf{T}_{EF})$$

where

$$\lambda_{DI} = \frac{(1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{j}}{0.4\sqrt{17} \text{ m}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} (4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j})$$

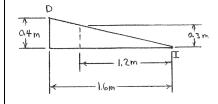
$$\mathbf{r}_{F/I} = (5.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{EF} = \lambda_{EF} T_{EF} = \frac{(1.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (3.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} + (5.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{6.6 \text{ m}} (66 \text{ N})$$

$$= 6 \left[(2 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (6 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (9 \text{ N})\mathbf{k} \right]$$

$$\therefore M_{DI} = \frac{(6 \text{ N})(5.4 \text{ m})}{\sqrt{17}} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -6 & 9 \end{vmatrix} = 172.879 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

Only the perpendicular component of \mathbf{T}_{EF} contributes to the moment of \mathbf{T}_{EF} about line DI. The parallel component of \mathbf{T}_{EF} will be used to find the perpendicular component.



Have

$$(T_{EF})_{\text{parallel}} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{DI} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{EF}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} (4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot [(12 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (36 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} + (54 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} (48 + 36) \text{ N}$$

$$= \frac{84}{\sqrt{17}} \text{ N}$$

PROBLEM 3.64 CONTINUED

Since
$$\mathbf{T}_{EF} = (\mathbf{T}_{EF})_{\text{perp.}} + (\mathbf{T}_{EF})_{\text{parallel}}$$

$$\therefore (T_{EF})_{\text{perp.}} = \sqrt{(T_{EF})^2 - (T_{EF})_{\text{parallel}}^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{(66)^2 - \left(\frac{84}{\sqrt{17}}\right)^2}$$

= 62.777 N

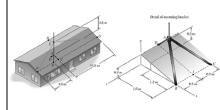
Then

$$M_{DI} = (T_{EF})_{\text{perp.}}(d)$$

$$172.879 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = (62.777 \text{ N})(d)$$

$$d = 2.7539 \text{ m}$$

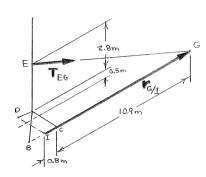
or d = 2.75 m



In Problem 3.56, determine the perpendicular distance between cable EG and the line joining points D and I.

Problem 3.56: A mast is mounted on the roof of a house using bracket ABCD and is guyed by cables EF, EG, and EH. Knowing that the force exerted by cable EG at E is 61.5 N, determine the moment of that force about the line joining points D and I.

SOLUTION



Have

$$M_{DI} = \lambda_{DI} \cdot \left[\mathbf{r}_{G/I} \times \mathbf{T}_{EG} \right]$$

where

$$\lambda_{DI} = \frac{(1.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (0.4 \text{ m})\mathbf{j}}{0.4\sqrt{17} \text{ m}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} (4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j})$$

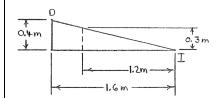
$$\mathbf{r}_{G/I} = -(10.9 \text{ m} + 0.8 \text{ m})\mathbf{k} = -(11.7 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{T}_{EG} = \lambda_{EG} T_{EG} = \frac{(1.2 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} - (3.6 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (11.7 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{12.3 \text{ m}} (61.5 \text{ N})$$

=
$$5[(1.2 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (3.6 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (11.7 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$\therefore M_{DI} = \frac{(5 \text{ N})(11.7 \text{ m})}{\sqrt{17}} \begin{vmatrix} 4 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1.2 & -3.6 & -11.7 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -187.286 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$



Only the perpendicular component of \mathbf{T}_{EG} contributes to the moment of \mathbf{T}_{EG} about line DI. The parallel component of \mathbf{T}_{EG} will be used to find the perpendicular component.

Have

$$T_{EG(\text{parallel})} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{DI} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{EG}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} (4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot 5 [(1.2 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} - (3.6 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (11.7 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}]$$

$$= \frac{5}{\sqrt{17}} (4.8 + 3.6) \text{ N}$$

$$= \frac{42}{\sqrt{17}} \text{ N}$$

PROBLEM 3.65 CONTINUED

Since
$$\mathbf{T}_{EF} = (\mathbf{T}_{EG})_{\text{perp.}} + (\mathbf{T}_{EG})_{\text{parallel}}$$

$$\therefore (T_{EG})_{\text{perp.}} = \sqrt{(T_{EG})^2 - (T_{EG})_{\text{parallel}}^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{(61.5)^2 - \left(\frac{42}{\sqrt{17}}\right)^2}$$

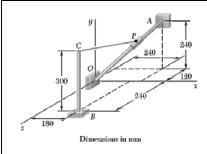
Then

$$M_{DI} = (T_{EG})_{\text{perp.}}(d)$$

$$187.286 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = (60.651 \text{ N})(d)$$

$$d = 3.0880 \text{ m}$$

or d = 3.09 m



In Problem 3.41, determine the perpendicular distance between post BC and the line connecting points O and A.

Problem 3.41: 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

Assume post BC is represented by a force of magnitude F_{BC}

where $\mathbf{F}_{BC} = F_{BC}\mathbf{j}$

Have $M_{OA} = \lambda_{OA} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{B/O} \times \mathbf{F}_{BC})$

where $\lambda_{OA} = \frac{(0.24 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.24 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (0.12 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{0.36 \text{ m}} = \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}$

 $\mathbf{r}_{B/O} = (0.18 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.24 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}$

$$\therefore M_{OA} = \frac{1}{3} F_{BC} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 0.18 & 0 & 0.24 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{F_{BC}}{3} (-0.48 - 0.18) = -0.22 F_{BC}$$

Only the perpendicular component of \mathbf{F}_{BC} contributes to the moment of \mathbf{F}_{BC} about line OA. The parallel component will be found first so that the perpendicular component of \mathbf{F}_{BC} can be determined.

$$F_{BC(\text{parallel})} = \lambda_{OA} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{BC} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{i} + \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{j} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{k}\right) \cdot F_{BC}\mathbf{j}$$
$$= \frac{2}{3}F_{BC}$$

Since

$$\mathbf{F}_{BC} = (\mathbf{F}_{BC})_{\text{parallel}} + (\mathbf{F}_{BC})_{\text{perp.}}$$

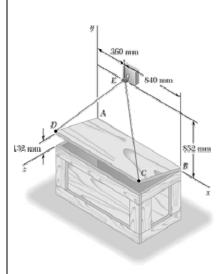
$$(F_{BC})_{\text{perp.}} = \sqrt{(F_{BC})^2 - (F_{BC})_{\text{parallel}}^2} = \sqrt{(F_{BC})^2 - (\frac{2F_{BC}}{3})^2}$$

 $= 0.74536F_{BC}$

Then $|M_{OA}| = (F_{BC})_{perp}(d)$

 $0.22F_{BC} = (0.74536F_{BC})d$

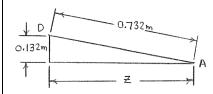
d = 0.29516 m



In Problem 3.45, determine the perpendicular distance between cord *DE* and the *y* axis.

Problem 3.45: The 0.732×1.2 -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.

SOLUTION



First note

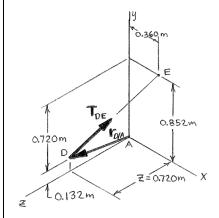
$$z = \sqrt{(0.732)^2 - (0.132)^2} \text{ m}$$
$$= 0.720 \text{ m}$$

Have

$$M_y = \mathbf{j} \cdot (\mathbf{r}_{D/A} \times \mathbf{T}_{DE})$$

where

$$\mathbf{r}_{D/A} = (0.132\mathbf{j} + 0.720\mathbf{k}) \text{ m}$$



$$\mathbf{T}_{DE} = \lambda_{DE} T_{DE}$$

$$= \frac{(0.360 \text{ m})\mathbf{i} + (0.732 \text{ m})\mathbf{j} - (0.720 \text{ m})\mathbf{k}}{1.08 \text{ m}} (54 \text{ N})$$

$$= (18 \text{ N})\mathbf{i} + (36 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (36 \text{ N})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\therefore M_y = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.132 & 0.720 \\ 18 & 36 & -36 \end{vmatrix} = 12.96 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

Only the perpendicular component of \mathbf{T}_{DE} contributes to the moment of \mathbf{T}_{DE} about the y-axis. The parallel component will be found first so that the perpendicular component of \mathbf{T}_{DE} can be determined.

$$T_{DE(\text{parallel})} = \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{T}_{DE} = 36 \text{ N}$$

PROBLEM 3.67 CONTINUED

Since
$$(\mathbf{T}_{DE}) = (\mathbf{T}_{DE})_{\text{parallel}} + (\mathbf{T}_{DE})_{\text{perp.}}$$

$$(T_{DE})_{\text{perp.}} = \sqrt{(T_{DE})^2 - (T_{DE})_{\text{parallel}}^2}$$

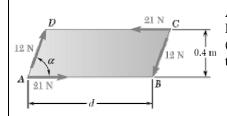
= $\sqrt{(54)^2 - (36)^2} = 40.249 \text{ N}$

Then
$$M_y = (T_{DE})_{perp.} (d)$$

$$12.96 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = (40.249 \text{ N})(d)$$

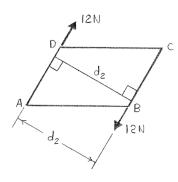
$$d = 0.32199 \text{ m}$$

or $d = 322 \text{ mm} \blacktriangleleft$



A plate in the shape of a parallelogram is acted upon by two couples. Determine (a) the moment of the couple formed by the two 21-N forces, (b) the perpendicular distance between the 12-N forces if the resultant of the two couples is zero, (c) the value of α if the resultant couple is 1.8 N·m clockwise and d is 1.05 m.

SOLUTION



(a) Have

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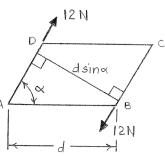
$$M_1 = d_1 F_1$$

$$d_1 = 0.4 \text{ m}$$

$$F_1 = 21 \,\text{N}$$

$$M_1 = (0.4 \text{ m})(21 \text{ N}) = 8.4 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

or
$$\mathbf{M}_1 = 8.40 \, \text{N} \cdot \text{m}$$



(b) Have

or

$$\mathbf{M}_1 + \mathbf{M}_2 = 0$$

$$8.40 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} - d_2 (12 \text{ N}) = 0$$

∴
$$d_2 = 0.700 \text{ m}$$

or

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{total}} = \mathbf{M}_1 + \mathbf{M}_2$$

$$1.8 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 8.40 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} - (1.05 \text{ m})(\sin \alpha)(12 \text{ N})$$

$$\therefore \sin \alpha = 0.52381$$

and

$$\alpha = 31.588^{\circ}$$

or $\alpha = 31.6^{\circ} \blacktriangleleft$