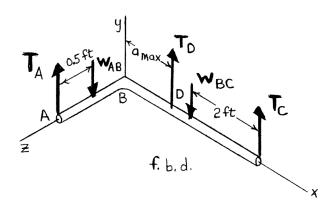


For the pile assembly of Problem 4.105, determine (a) the largest permissible value of a if the assembly is not to tip, (b) the corresponding tension in each wire.

**P4.105** Two steel pipes AB and BC, each having a weight per unit length of 5 lb/ft, are welded together at B and are supported by three wires. Knowing that a = 1.25 ft, determine the tension in each wire.

### **SOLUTION**



First note

$$W_{AB} = (5 \text{ lb/ft})(2 \text{ ft}) = 10 \text{ lb}$$

$$W_{BC} = (5 \text{ lb/ft})(4 \text{ ft}) = 20 \text{ lb}$$

From f.b.d. of pipe assembly

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
:  $T_A + T_C + T_D - 10 \text{ lb} - 20 \text{ lb} = 0$ 

$$\therefore T_A + T_C + T_D = 30 \text{ lb} \tag{1}$$

$$\Sigma M_x = 0$$
:  $(10 \text{ lb})(1 \text{ ft}) - T_A(2 \text{ ft}) = 0$ 

or

$$T_A = 5.00 \text{ lb}$$
 (2)

From Equations (1) and (2)

$$T_C + T_D = 25 \text{ lb} \tag{3}$$

$$\Sigma M_z = 0$$
:  $T_C(4 \text{ ft}) + T_D(a_{\text{max}}) - 20 \text{ lb}(2 \text{ ft}) = 0$ 

or

$$(4 \text{ ft})T_C + T_D a_{\text{max}} = 40 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft}$$
 (4)

# **PROBLEM 4.106 CONTINUED**

Using Equation (3) to eliminate  $T_C$ 

$$4(25 - T_D) + T_D a_{\text{max}} = 40$$

or

$$a_{\text{max}} = 4 - \frac{60}{T_D}$$

By observation, a is maximum when  $T_D$  is maximum. From Equation (3),  $\left(T_D\right)_{\max}$  occurs when  $T_C=0$ .

Therefore,  $(T_D)_{\text{max}} = 25 \text{ lb}$  and

$$a_{\text{max}} = 4 - \frac{60}{25}$$

$$= 1.600 \text{ ft}$$

Results: (a)

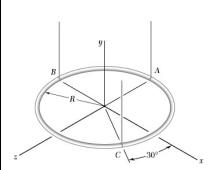
 $a_{\text{max}} = 1.600 \text{ ft} \blacktriangleleft$ 

(*b*)

 $T_A = 5.00 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$ 

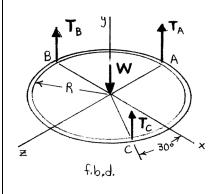
 $T_C = 0 \blacktriangleleft$ 

 $T_D = 25.0 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$ 



A uniform aluminum rod of weight W is bent into a circular ring of radius R and is supported by three wires as shown. Determine the tension in each wire.

# **SOLUTION**



From f.b.d. of ring

$$\Sigma F_{y} = 0: \quad T_A + T_B + T_C - W = 0$$

$$T_A + T_B + T_C = W (1)$$

$$\Sigma M_x = 0: \quad T_A(R) - T_C(R\sin 30^\circ) = 0$$

$$T_A = 0.5T_C \tag{2}$$

$$\Sigma M_z = 0: T_C (R \cos 30^\circ) - T_B (R) = 0$$

$$T_B = 0.86603T_C \tag{3}$$

Substituting  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  from Equations (2) and (3) into Equation (1)

$$0.5T_C + 0.86603T_C + T_C = W$$

$$T_C = 0.42265W$$

From Equation (2)

$$T_A = 0.5(0.42265W) = 0.21132W$$

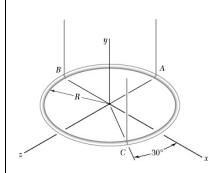
From Equation (3)

$$T_B = 0.86603(0.42265W) = 0.36603W$$

or 
$$T_A = 0.211W$$

$$T_B = 0.366W$$

$$T_C = 0.423W \blacktriangleleft$$



A uniform aluminum rod of weight W is bent into a circular ring of radius R and is supported by three wires as shown. A small collar of weight W' is then placed on the ring and positioned so that the tensions in the three wires are equal. Determine (a) the position of the collar, (b) the value of W', (c) the tension in the wires.

#### **SOLUTION**

Let  $\theta$  = angle from x-axis to small collar of weight W'

From f.b.d. of ring

or



$$\Sigma M_x = 0$$
:  $T(R) - T(R\sin 30^\circ) + W'(R\sin \theta) = 0$ 

or  $W'\sin\theta = -\frac{1}{2}T\tag{2}$ 

$$\Sigma M_z = 0$$
:  $T(R\cos 30^\circ) - W'(R\cos\theta) - T(R) = 0$ 

 $W'\cos\theta = -\left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)T\tag{3}$ 

F. b. d.

Dividing Equation (2) by Equation (3)

$$\tan \theta = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\right]^{-1} = 3.7321$$

$$\therefore \quad \theta = 75.000^{\circ} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = 255.00^{\circ}$$

Based on Equations (2) and (3),  $\theta = 75.000^{\circ}$  will give a negative value for W', which is not acceptable.

- (a) : W' is located at  $\theta = 255^{\circ}$  from the x-axis or 15° from A towards B.
- (b) From Equation (1) and Equation (2)

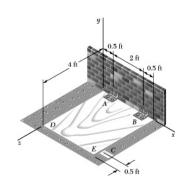
$$W' = 3(-2W')(\sin 255^{\circ}) - W$$
  
 $\therefore W' = 0.20853W$ 

or W' = 0.209W

(c) From Equation (1)

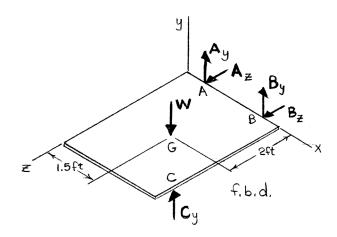
$$T = -2(0.20853W)\sin 255^{\circ}$$
$$= 0.40285W$$

or T = 0.403W



An opening in a floor is covered by a  $3 \times 4$ -ft sheet of plywood weighing 12 lb. The sheet is hinged at A and B and is maintained in a position slightly above the floor by a small block C. Determine the vertical component of the reaction (a) at A, (b) at B, (c) at C.

### **SOLUTION**



From f.b.d. of plywood sheet

$$\Sigma M_x = 0$$
:  $(12 \text{ lb})(2 \text{ ft}) - C_y(3.5 \text{ ft}) = 0$ 

:. 
$$C_y = 6.8571 \,\text{lb}$$
 or  $C_y = 6.86 \,\text{lb}$ 

$$\Sigma M_{B(z-\text{axis})} = 0$$
:  $(12 \text{ lb})(1 \text{ ft}) + (6.8571 \text{ lb})(0.5 \text{ ft}) - A_y(2 \text{ ft}) = 0$ 

$$A_y = 7.7143 \text{ lb}$$
 or  $A_y = 7.71 \text{ lb}$ 

$$\Sigma M_{A(z-axis)} = 0$$
:  $-(12 lb)(1 ft) + B_y(2 ft) + (6.8571 lb)(2.5 ft) = 0$ 

:. 
$$B_y = 2.5714 \text{ lb}$$
 or  $B_y = 2.57 \text{ lb}$ 

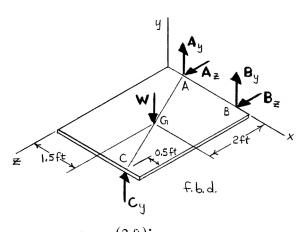
$$A_{y} = 7.71 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$B_y = 2.57 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$C_{y} = 6.86 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$

Solve Problem 4.109 assuming that the small block C is moved and placed under edge DE at a point 0.5 ft from corner E.

# **SOLUTION**



First,

i-coeff.

j-coeff.

or

$$\mathbf{r}_{B/A} = (2 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{C/A} = (2 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (4 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{G/A} = (1 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (2 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k}$$

From f.b.d. of plywood sheet

$$\Sigma \mathbf{M}_{A} = 0 : \quad \mathbf{r}_{B/A} \times \left( B_{y} \mathbf{j} + B_{z} \mathbf{k} \right) + \mathbf{r}_{C/A} \times C_{y} \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{r}_{G/A} \times \left( -W \mathbf{j} \right) = 0$$

$$(2 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{i} \times B_{y} \mathbf{j} + (2 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{i} \times B_{z} \mathbf{k} + \left[ (2 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{i} + (4 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{k} \right] \times C_{y} \mathbf{j}$$

$$+ \left[ (1 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{i} + (2 \text{ ft}) \mathbf{k} \right] \times (-12 \text{ lb}) \mathbf{j} = 0$$

$$2B_{y} \mathbf{k} - 2B_{z} \mathbf{j} + 2C_{y} \mathbf{k} - 4C_{y} \mathbf{i} - 12 \mathbf{k} + 24 \mathbf{i} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{i} \text{-coeff.}$$

$$-4C_{y} + 24 = 0 \qquad \qquad \therefore \quad C_{y} = 6.00 \text{ lb}$$

$$\mathbf{j} \text{-coeff.}$$

$$-2B_{z} = 0 \qquad \qquad \therefore \quad B_{z} = 0$$

$$2B_{y} + 2C_{y} - 12 = 0$$
or
$$2B_{y} + 2(6) - 12 = 0 \qquad \qquad \therefore \quad B_{y} = 0$$

# **PROBLEM 4.110 CONTINUED**

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0 \colon \quad A_y \mathbf{j} + A_z \mathbf{k} + B_y \mathbf{j} + B_z \mathbf{k} + C_y \mathbf{j} - W \mathbf{j} = 0$$

$$A_{\mathbf{y}}\mathbf{j} + A_{\mathbf{z}}\mathbf{k} + 0\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k} + 6\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{j} = 0$$

**j**-coeff.

$$A_{v} + 6 - 12 = 0$$

k-coeff.

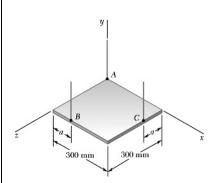
$$A_z = 0$$

$$A_z = 0$$

$$\therefore$$
 a)  $A_y = 6.00$ lb

$$b) B_y = 0$$

c) 
$$C_y = 6.00 \text{ lb} \blacktriangleleft$$



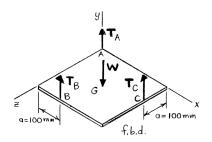
The 10-kg square plate shown is supported by three vertical wires. Determine (a) the tension in each wire when a = 100 mm, (b) the value of a for which tensions in the three wires are equal.

### **SOLUTION**

First note

$$W = mg = (10 \text{ kg})(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2) = 98.1 \text{ N}$$

(a)



(a) From f.b.d. of plate

 $\Sigma F_{v} = 0$ :  $T_{A} + T_{B} + T_{C} - W = 0$ 

$$T_A + T_B + T_C = 98.1 \,\mathrm{N} \tag{1}$$

 $\Sigma M_x = 0$ :  $W(150 \text{ mm}) - T_B(300 \text{ mm}) - T_C(100 \text{ mm}) = 0$ 

$$\therefore 6T_B + 2T_C = 294.3 \tag{2}$$

$$\Sigma M_z = 0$$
:  $T_B(100 \text{ mm}) + T_C(300 \text{ mm}) - (98.1 \text{ N})(150 \text{ mm}) = 0$ 

$$\therefore -6T_B - 18T_C = -882.9 \tag{3}$$

Equation (2) + Equation (3)

$$-16T_C = -588.6$$

$$T_C = 36.788 \text{ N}$$

or

 $T_C = 36.8 \text{ N} \blacktriangleleft$ 

Substitution into Equation (2)

$$6T_B + 2(36.788 \text{ N}) = 294.3 \text{ N}$$

∴ 
$$T_B = 36.788 \text{ N}$$
 or  $T_B = 36.8 \text{ N}$ 

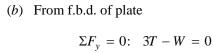
From Equation (1)

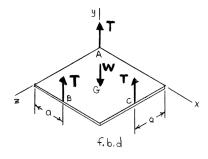
$$T_A + 36.788 + 36.788 = 98.1 \,\mathrm{N}$$

$$T_A = 24.525 \text{ N}$$
 or  $T_A = 24.5 \text{ N}$ 

# **PROBLEM 4.111 CONTINUED**

(b)





$$T = \frac{1}{3}W \tag{1}$$

$$\Sigma M_x = 0$$
:  $W(150 \text{ mm}) - T(a) - T(300 \text{ mm}) = 0$ 

$$T = \frac{150W}{a + 300} \tag{2}$$

Equation (1) to Equation (2)

$$\frac{1}{3}W = \frac{150W}{a + 300}$$

or

$$a + 300 = 3(150)$$

or a = 150.0 mm