

PROBLEM 6.14

Determine the force in each member of the Gambrel roof truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

FBD Truss:

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad A_x = 0$$

By symmetry: $A_y = J_y = 5 \text{ kN} \uparrow$

$$F_{AB} = F_{HJ}; F_{AC} = F_{IJ}; F_{BD} = F_{GH}$$

and

$$F_{CD} = F_{GI}; F_{DE} = F_{EG}; F_{DF} = F_{FG}$$

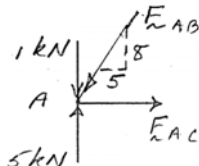
$$F_{BC} = F_{HI}$$

By inspection of joint F:

$$F_{EF} = 0 \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint FBDs:

Joint A:



$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: 5 \text{ kN} - 1 \text{ kN} - \frac{8}{\sqrt{89}} F_{AB} = 0 \quad F_{AB} = \frac{\sqrt{89}}{2} \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{AB} = 4.72 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

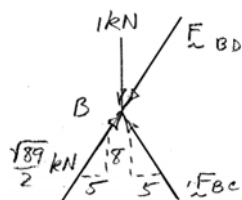
$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{AC} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{89}} \frac{\sqrt{89}}{2} \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$F_{AC} = 2.50 \text{ kN T} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{so } F_{HJ} = 4.72 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{IJ} = 2.50 \text{ kN T} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint B:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: \frac{5}{\sqrt{89}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{89}}{2} \text{ kN} - F_{BD} - F_{BC} \right) = 0$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: \frac{8}{\sqrt{89}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{89}}{2} \text{ kN} - F_{BD} + F_{BC} \right) - 1 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$\text{Solving: } F_{BD} = 4.127 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{so } F_{BD} = 4.13 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{AB} = 0.5896 \text{ kN}$$

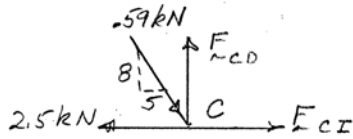
$$\text{and } F_{BC} = 0.590 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{so } F_{GH} = 4.13 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{and } F_{HI} = 0.590 \text{ kN C} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

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Joint C:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{CI} + \frac{5}{\sqrt{89}}(.59 \text{ kN}) - 2.5 \text{ kN} = 0; \quad F_{CI} = 2.187 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{CI} = 2.19 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

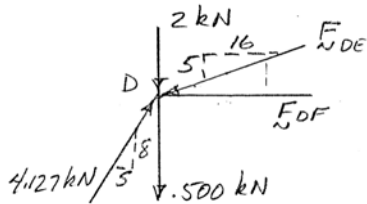
$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: F_{CD} - \frac{8}{\sqrt{89}}(.59 \text{ kN}) = 0 \quad F_{CD} = 0.500 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{so } F_{GI} = 0.500 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: \frac{8}{\sqrt{89}}(4.127 \text{ kN}) - 2.5 \text{ kN} - \frac{5}{\sqrt{281}}F_{DE} = 0$$

$$F_{DE} = 3.352 \text{ kN}$$

Joint D:



$$\text{so } F_{DE} = 3.35 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{and } F_{EG} = 3.35 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

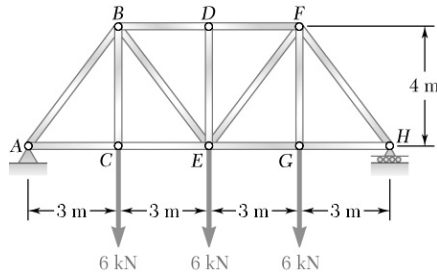
$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = \frac{5}{\sqrt{89}}(4.127 \text{ kN}) - \frac{16}{\sqrt{281}}(3.352 \text{ kN}) + F_{DF} = 0$$

$$F_{DF} = 1.012 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{FG} = 1.012 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

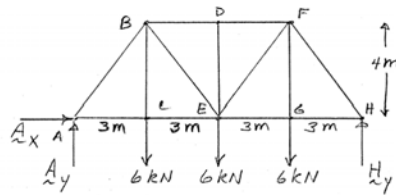
PROBLEM 6.15

Determine the force in each member of the Pratt bridge truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.



SOLUTION

FBD Truss:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: A_x = 0$$

By symmetry: $A_y = H_y = 9 \text{ kN} \uparrow$

and

$$F_{AB} = F_{FH}; F_{AC} = F_{GH}$$

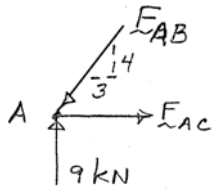
$$F_{BC} = F_{FG}; F_{BD} = F_{DF}$$

$$F_{BE} = F_{EF}; F_{CE} = F_{EG}$$

By inspection of joint D:

$$F_{DE} = 0 \blacktriangleleft$$

FBDs Joints:



$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: 9 \text{ kN} - \frac{4}{5} F_{AB} = 0$$

$$F_{AB} = 11.25 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{AC} - \frac{3}{5} F_{AB} = 0$$

$$F_{AC} = 6.75 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{CE} - 6.75 \text{ kN} = 0$$

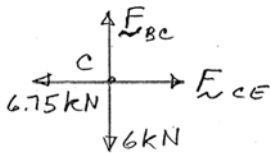
$$F_{CE} = 6.75 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: F_{BC} - 6 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$F_{BC} = 6.00 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

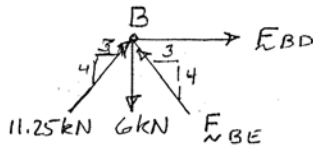
$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: \frac{4}{5}(11.25 \text{ kN}) - 6 \text{ kN} + \frac{4}{5} F_{BE} = 0$$

$$F_{BE} = 3.75 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{BD} - \frac{3}{5}(11.25 \text{ kN}) - \frac{3}{5}(3.75 \text{ kN}) = 0$$

$$F_{BD} = 9.00 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$



From symmetry conditions above

$$F_{FH} = 11.25 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

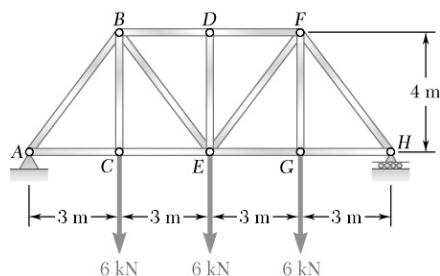
$$F_{GH} = 6.75 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{EG} = 6.75 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{FG} = 6.00 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{EF} = 3.75 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{DF} = 9.00 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

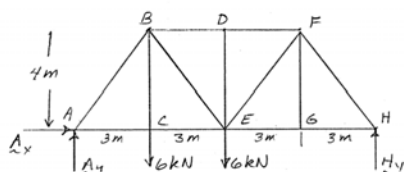


PROBLEM 6.16

Determine the force in each member of the Pratt bridge truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression. Assume that the load at G has been removed.

SOLUTION

FBD Truss:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: A_x = 0$$

$$\curvearrowleft \Sigma M_A = 0: (12 \text{ m}) H_y - (6 \text{ m})(6 \text{ kN}) - (3 \text{ m})(6 \text{ kN}) = 0$$

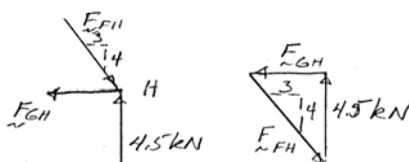
$$H_y = 4.5 \text{ kN} \uparrow$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: A_y - 6 \text{ kN} - 6 \text{ kN} + 4.5 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$A_y = 7.5 \text{ kN} \uparrow$$

Joint FBDs:

Joint H:



$$F_{GH} = 3.375 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{GH} = 3.38 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{FH} = 5.625 \text{ kN}$$

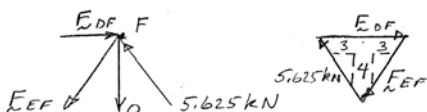
$$F_{FH} = 5.63 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

By inspection of joint G:

$$F_{FG} = 0 \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{EG} = F_{GH} = 3.38 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint F:



$$\frac{5.625 \text{ kN}}{5} = \frac{F_{EF}}{5} = \frac{F_{DF}}{6} \quad F_{EF} = 5.63 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$$

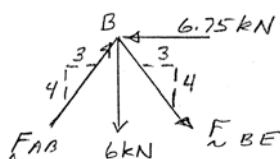
$$F_{DF} = 6.75 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

By inspection of joint D:

$$F_{DE} = 0 \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{BD} = F_{DF} = 6.75 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint B:



By inspection of joint C: $F_{AC} = F_{CE}$

and $F_{BC} = 6.00 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: \frac{3}{5}(F_{AB} + F_{BE}) - 6.75 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: \frac{4}{5}(F_{AB} - F_{BE}) - 6 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0: \frac{4}{5}(F_{AB} - F_{BE}) - 6 \text{ kN} = 0$$

PROBLEM 6.16 CONTINUED

Solving:

$$F_{AB} = 9.375 \text{ kN}$$

so $F_{AB} = 9.38 \text{ kN C} \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{BE} = 1.875 \text{ kN}$$

$F_{BE} = 1.875 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$

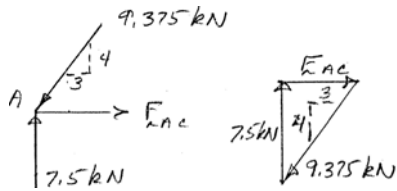
Joint A:

$$\frac{F_{AC}}{3} = \frac{7.5 \text{ kN}}{4} = \frac{9.375 \text{ kN}}{5}$$

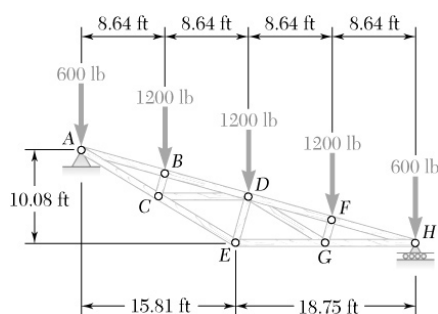
$$F_{AC} = 5.625 \text{ kN}$$

$F_{AC} = 5.63 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$

$F_{CE} = 5.63 \text{ kN T} \blacktriangleleft$



From above

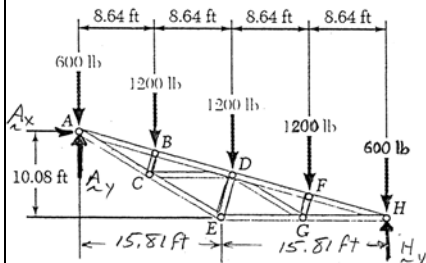


PROBLEM 6.17

Determine the force in member DE and in each of the members located to the left of DE for the inverted Howe roof truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

FBD Truss:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: A_x = 0$$

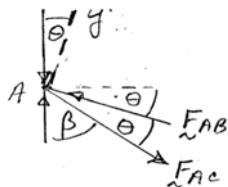
By load symmetry $A_y = H_y = 2400 \text{ lb} \uparrow$

Note: $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{10.08}{15.81 + 18.75} = 16.26^\circ$

$$\beta = 90 - 2\theta = 57.48^\circ; \alpha = 180 - \beta = 32.52^\circ$$

Joint FBDs:

Joint A:

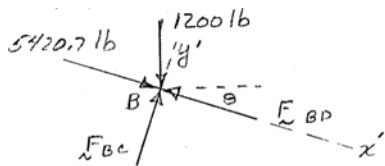


$$F_{AC} = \frac{(1800 \text{ lb})}{\tan 16.26^\circ} = 6171.5 \text{ lb}; \quad F_{AC} = 6.17 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: (6171.5 \text{ lb}) \cos 2\theta - F_{AB} \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_{AB} = 6171.5 \frac{\cos 32.52^\circ}{\cos 16.26^\circ} = 5420.7 \text{ lb}; \quad F_{AB} = 5.42 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

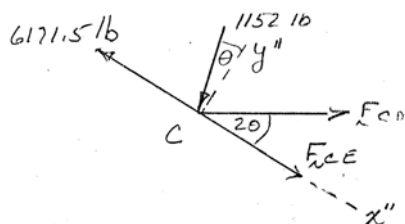
Joint B:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: 5420.7 \text{ lb} + (1200 \text{ lb}) \sin \theta - F_{BD} = 0$$

$$F_{BD} = 5420.7 + 1200 \sin 16.26^\circ = 5756.7 \text{ lb} \quad F_{BD} = 5.76 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint C:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_y = 0: F_{BC} - (1200 \text{ lb}) \cos \theta = 0 \quad F_{BC} = 1152 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{BC} = 1.152 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_y = 0: F_{CD} \sin 2\theta - (1152 \text{ lb}) \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_{CD} = 1152 \frac{\cos 16.26^\circ}{\sin 32.52^\circ} = 2057.2 \text{ lb} \quad F_{CD} = 2.06 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: F_{CE} + (1152 \text{ lb}) \sin \theta + (2057.2 \text{ lb}) \cos 2\theta - 6171.5 \text{ lb} = 0$$

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$$F_{CE} = 6171.5 - 1152 \sin 16.26^\circ - 2057.2 \cos 32.52^\circ$$

$$= 4114.3 \text{ lb}$$

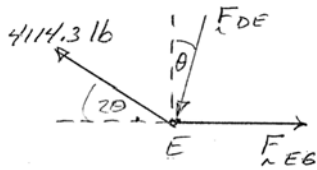
$$F_{CE} = 4.11 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint E:

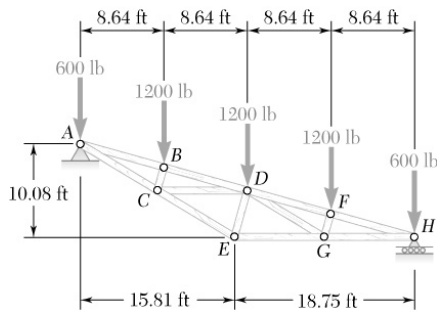
$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: (4114.3 \text{ lb}) \sin 2\theta - F_{DE} \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_{DE} = 4114.3 \frac{\sin 32.52^\circ}{\cos 16.26^\circ} = 2304.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{DE} = 2.30 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$



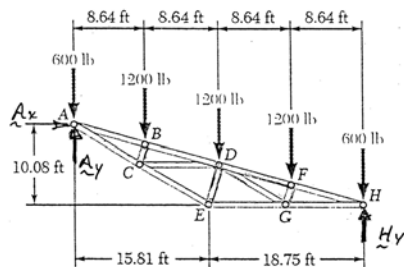
PROBLEM 6.18



Determine the force in each of the members located to the right of *DE* for the inverted Howe roof truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

FBD Truss:



$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: A_x = 0$$

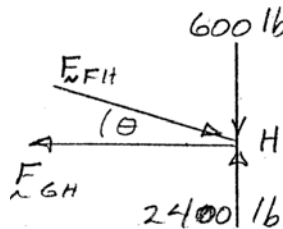
By symmetry of loads $A_y = H_y = 2400 \text{ lb} \uparrow$

Note: $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{10.08}{15.81 + 18.75} = 16.26^\circ$

$$\beta = 90 - 2\theta = 57.48^\circ$$

Joint FBDs:

Joint H:



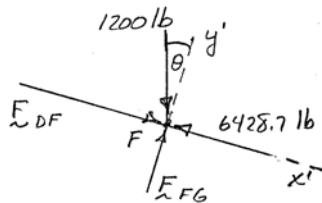
$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: 2400 \text{ lb} - 600 \text{ lb} - F_{FH} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F_{FH} = \frac{1800 \text{ lb}}{\sin 16.26^\circ} = 6428.7 \text{ lb} \quad F_{FH} = 6.43 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: (6428.7 \text{ lb}) \cos \theta - F_{GH} = 0$$

$$F_{GH} = 6428.7 \cos 16.32^\circ = 6171.5 \text{ lb} \quad F_{GH} = 6.17 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

Joint F:



$$\Sigma F_{y'} = 0: F_{FG} - (1200 \text{ lb}) \cos \theta = 0 \quad F_{FG} = 1152.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{FG} = 1.152 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\Sigma F_{x'} = 0: F_{DF} + (1200 \text{ lb}) \sin \theta - 6428.7 \text{ lb} = 0$$

$$F_{DF} = 6428.7 - 1200 \sin 16.26^\circ = 6092.7 \text{ lb} \quad F_{DF} = 6.09 \text{ kips C} \blacktriangleleft$$

PROBLEM 6.18 CONTINUED

Joint G:

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: F_{DG} \sin 2\theta - (1152 \text{ lb}) \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_{DG} = 1152 \frac{\cos 16.26^\circ}{\sin 32.52^\circ} = 2057.2 \text{ lb} \quad F_{DG} = 2.06 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: 6171.5 \text{ lb} - 2057.2 \cos 2\theta - F_{EG} - 1152 \text{ lb} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F_{EG} = 6171.5 - 2057.2 \cos 32.52^\circ - (1152 \text{ lb}) \sin 16.26^\circ = 4114.3 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{EG} = 4.11 \text{ kips T} \blacktriangleleft$$

