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Equilibrium of Rigid Bodies



Supports

In case of rigid bodies, particularly the beams, to prevent not only translating motion but also rotational motion, these bodies are held by various supports.

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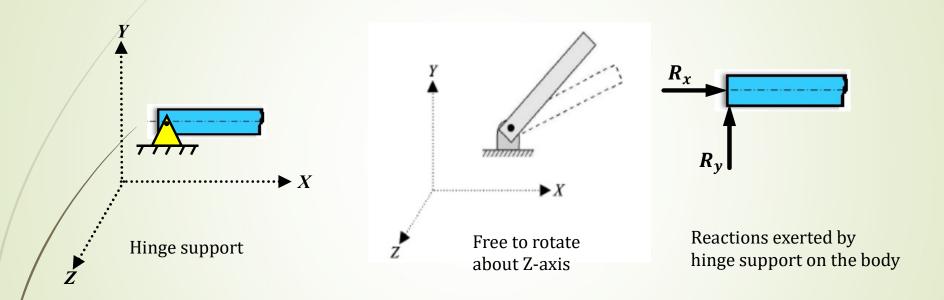
Hinge Support







Hinge or pin-support



The pin support restrains the beam from translating both horizontally and vertically, but it does not prevent rotation.



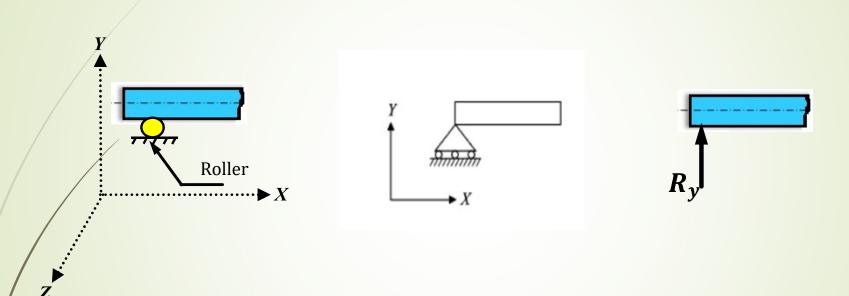








Roller of frictionless support



At the roller support, translation is prevented in the vertical direction but not in the horizontal direction.