

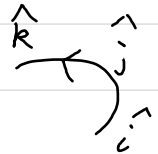
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\therefore The magnitude of the moment about AE is 114.4 Nm

(A * Q2) Define CS: $x \leftarrow$ 

$$\vec{R} = \sum \vec{F} = 50 \times 2 \hat{j} + 300 \hat{j} + 200 \times \frac{4}{5} \hat{j} + 200 \times \frac{3}{5} \hat{i}$$

$$= (120 \hat{i} + 560 \hat{j}) \text{ N}$$

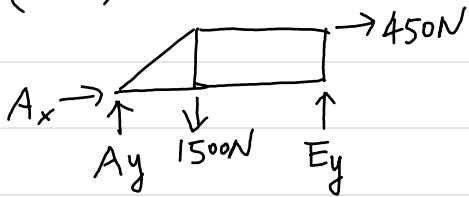
$$|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{120^2 + 560^2} \text{ N} = 573 \text{ N}, \quad \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{560}{120}\right) = 77.9^\circ$$

$$\therefore R = 573 \text{ N}, 77.9^\circ \swarrow$$

$$(\curvearrowright) M_o = \left\{ 50 \times 2 \times (2+2+1) + 300 \times 6 + 200 \times \frac{3}{5} \times (2+2) + 200 \times \frac{4}{5} \times 2 \right\} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

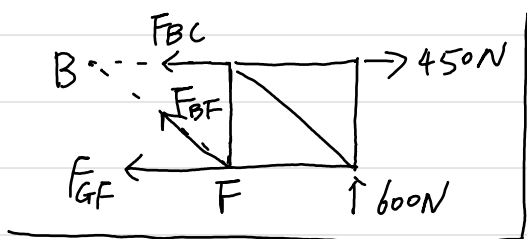
$$= (500 + 1800 + 480 + 320) \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \underline{3100 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}}, \curvearrowright$$

(Q3)



$$\curvearrowright \sum M_A = 0: -1500 \times 3 + 9 E_y - 450 \times 2 = 0$$

$$E_y = 600 \text{ N}$$



$$\curvearrowright \sum M_F = 0: 2 F_{BC} - 450 \times 2 + 600 \times 3 = 0$$

$$\underline{F_{BC} = -450 \text{ N (compression)}}$$

$$+\uparrow \sum F_y = 0: \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} F_{BF} + 600 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{F_{BF} = -1082 \text{ N (compression)}}$$

$$+\rightarrow \sum F_x = 0: -(-450) + 450 - F_{GF} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}(-1082) = 0$$

$$450 + 450 - F_{GF} + 900.3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{F_{GF} = 1800 \text{ N, (Tension)}}$$

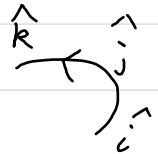
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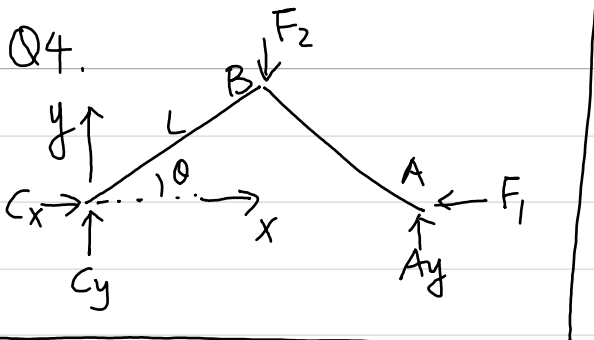
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Define x-y axes as shown, point C as origin.

$$y_B = L \sin \theta, \quad \delta y_B = L \cos \theta \delta \theta$$

$$x_A = 2L \cos \theta, \quad \delta x_A = -2L \sin \theta \delta \theta$$

$$\delta U = 0 \Rightarrow -F_2 \delta y_B - F_1 \delta x_A = 0$$

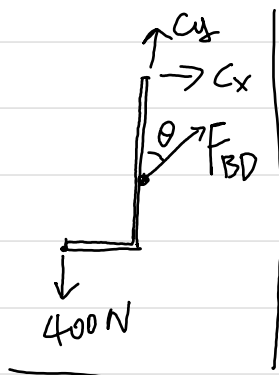
$$F_2 L \cos \theta \delta \theta - F_1 (2L \sin \theta \delta \theta) = 0$$

$$(F_2 \cos \theta - 2F_1 \sin \theta) L \delta \theta = 0, \quad \forall \delta \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{F_2 \cos \theta - 2F_1 \sin \theta = 0}$$

$$\text{or } \underline{F_2 = 2F_1 \tan \theta}$$

Q5. BD is two-force member



$$|CB| = \sqrt{0.51^2 - 0.24^2} = 0.45 \text{ m}$$

$$\cos \theta = 0.45/0.51 = 15/17, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{0.24}{0.51} = \frac{8}{17}$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma M_C = 0: 400 \times 0.135 + \frac{8}{17} F_{BD} \times 0.45 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{F_{BD} = -255 \text{ N (C)}}$$

$$\rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0: C_x + F_{BD} \times \frac{8}{17} = 0 \Rightarrow C_x - \frac{8}{17} \times 255 = 0$$

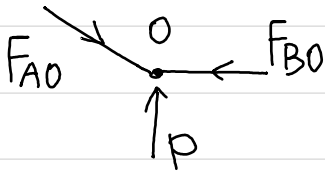
$$\Rightarrow \underline{C_x = 120 \text{ N}}$$

$$\uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: C_y - 400 + \frac{15}{17} \times (-255) = 0$$

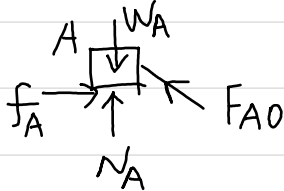
$$\Rightarrow \underline{C_y = 625 \text{ N}}$$

$$\boxed{|F_{BD}| = 255 \text{ N (C)}, \quad C_x = 120 \text{ N} \rightarrow, \quad C_y = 625 \text{ N} \uparrow}$$

(Q6) Link AO, BO are two-force members.



$$\begin{cases} \frac{4}{5} F_{AO} - F_{BO} = 0 \\ P - \frac{3}{5} F_{AO} = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} F_{AO} = \frac{5}{3} P \dots (1) \\ F_{BO} = \frac{4}{3} P \dots (2) \end{cases}$$

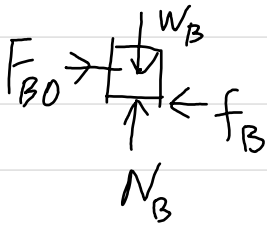


$$N_A - W_A + \frac{3}{5} F_{AO} = 0 \Rightarrow N_A = 50 - P \dots (3)$$

$$f_A - \frac{4}{5} F_{AO} = 0 \Rightarrow f_A = \frac{4}{3} P \dots (4)$$

If block A is about to slide: $f_A = \mu_s N_A \dots (5)$

$$(3)(4)(5) \Rightarrow \frac{4}{3} P = 0.3 (50 - P) \Rightarrow 4P = 45 - 0.9P \Rightarrow 4.9P = 45 \\ \Rightarrow P = 9.18 \text{ N}$$



$$N_B - W_B = 0 \Rightarrow N_B = W_B = 100 \text{ N} \dots (6)$$

$$F_{BO} - f_B = 0 \Rightarrow f_B = \frac{4}{3} P \dots (7)$$

If block B is about to slide: $f_B = \mu_s N_B \dots (8)$

$$(6)(7)(8) \Rightarrow \frac{4}{3} P = 0.3 \times 100 \Rightarrow P = 22.5 \text{ N}$$

Comparing the above two cases, we know that

$P_{\max} = 9.18 \text{ N}$, without cause movement.