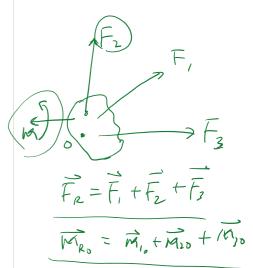




Reduction of distributed loading



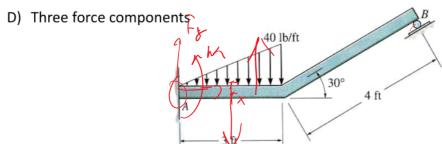
Equilibrium for a system of particles



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How many reaction support force components and couple moments are there in this problem?

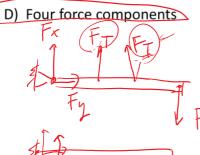
- A) Two force components, two couple moments
- B) One force component, two couple moments
- C) Three force components, one couple moment

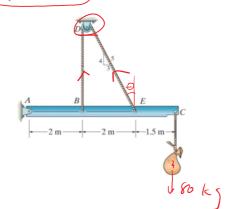


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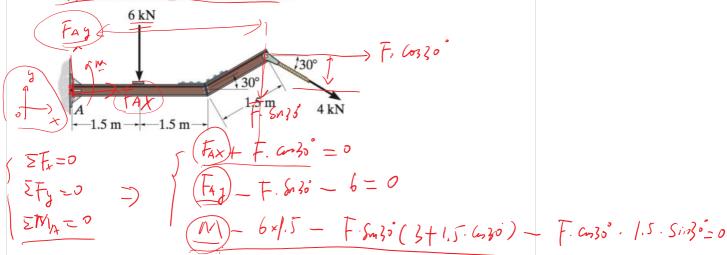
The beam and the cable (with a frictionless pulley at D) support an 80 kg load at C. In a FBD of the beam, how many unique force components and moments are there?

- A) Two force components and one couple moment
- B) Three force components and one couple moment
- C) Three force components

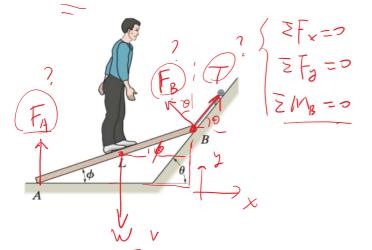




Determine the components of the support reactions at the fixed support A on the cantilevered beam.



The man has a weight W and stands at the center of a plank with negligible weight. If the planes at A and B are smooth, determine the tension in the cord in terms of W and  $\vartheta$ .



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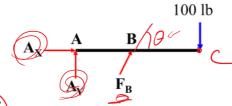
Which equation of equilibrium allows you to determine  $F_B$  right away?

A) 
$$\sum F_X = 0$$

B)  $\sum F_Y = 0$ 

C) 
$$\sum M_A = 0$$

D) Any one of the above.

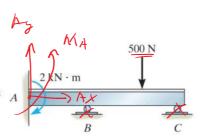


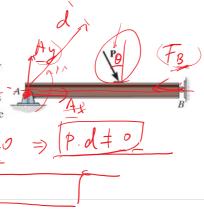
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### Constraints

To ensure equilibrium of a rigid body, it is not only necessary to satisfy equations of equilibrium, but the body must also be properly constrained by its supports

- Redundant constraints: the body has more supports than necessary to hold it in equilibrium; the problem is STATICALLY INDERTERMINATE and cannot be solved with statics alone
- Improper constraints: In some cases, there may
  be as many unknown reactions as there are
  equations of equilibrium. However, if the supports
  are not properly constrained, the body may become
  unstable for some loading cases.





# Constraints

Proper, redundant, or improper constraints

