

Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Entire truss:

$$+ \sum F_y = 0: \quad B_y = 0 \qquad B_y = 0$$

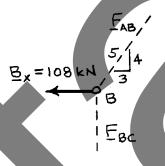
+)
$$\Sigma M_C = 0$$
: $-B_x(3.2 \text{ m}) - (48 \text{ kN})(7.2 \text{ m}) = 0$

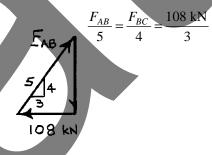
$$B_x = -108 \text{ kN} \quad \mathbf{B}_x = 108 \text{ kN} \leftarrow$$

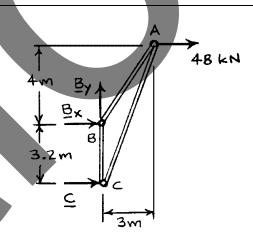
$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $C - 108 \text{ kN} + 48 \text{ kN} = 0$

$$C = 60 \text{ kN}$$
 $C = 60 \text{ kN} \longrightarrow$

Free body: Joint B:



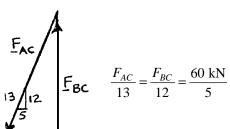




$$F_{AB} = 180.0 \,\text{kN}$$
 T

$$F_{BC} = 144.0 \text{ kN}$$
 T

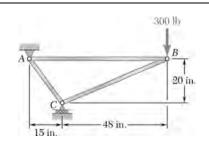
Free body: Joint C:



$$\frac{F_{AC}}{13} = \frac{F_{BC}}{12} = \frac{60 \text{ kN}}{5}$$

$$F_{BC} = 144 \text{ kN} \quad \text{(checks)}$$

$$F_{AC} = 156.0 \text{ kN}$$
 C



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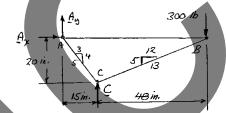
SOLUTION

Reactions:

$$\Sigma M_A = 0$$
: **C** = 1260 lb

$$\Sigma F_x = 0: \quad \mathbf{A}_x = 0$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\mathbf{A}_y = 960 \text{ lb}$



Joint B:

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{12} = \frac{F_{BC}}{13} = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{5}$$

$$F_{AB} = 720 \text{ lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

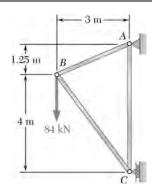
$$F_{BC} = 780 \text{ lb}$$
 $C \blacktriangleleft$

 $\underline{\text{Joint } A}$:

$$+|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $-960 \text{ lb} - \frac{4}{5} F_{AC} = 0$

$$F_{AC} = 1200 \text{ lb}$$
 $F_{AC} = 1200 \text{ lb}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

$$+\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: 720 lb – (1200 lb) $\frac{3}{5} = 0$ (checks)



Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

$$AB = \sqrt{3^2 + 1.25^2} = 3.25 \text{ m}$$

 $BC = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5 \text{ m}$

Reactions:

+)
$$\Sigma M_A = 0$$
: $(84 \text{ kN})(3 \text{ m}) - C(5.25 \text{ m}) = 0$



$$+\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $A_x - C = 0$

$$A_x = 48 \text{ kN} \rightarrow$$

$$+ \Sigma F_{v} = 0$$
: $A_{v} = 84 \text{ kN} = 0$

$$A_{..} = 84 \text{ kN}^4$$

Joint A:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: 48 kN $-\frac{12}{13} F_{AB} = 0$

$$F_{AB} = +3$$

$$F_{AB} = +52 \text{ kN}$$

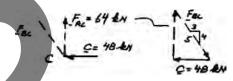
$$F_{AB} = 52.0 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: 84 kN $-\frac{5}{13}$ (52 kN) $-F_{AC} = 0$

$$F_{AC} = +64.0 \text{ kN}$$

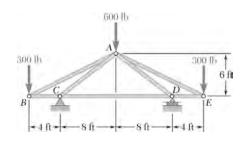
$$F_{AC} = +64.0 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{AC} = 64.0 \text{ kN}$ T

Joint *C*:



$$\frac{F_{BC}}{5} = \frac{48 \text{ kN}}{3}$$

$$F_{BC} = 80.0 \text{ kN}$$
 C



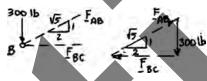
Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Truss:

From the symmetry of the truss and loading, we find

$$C = D = 600 \text{ lb}$$

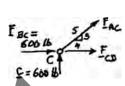


Free body: Joint *B*:

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{F_{BC}}{2} = \frac{300 \text{ lb}}{1}$$

$$F_{AB} = 671 \, \text{lb}$$
 T $F_{BC} = 600 \, \text{lb}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

Free body: Joint *C*:



$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{3}{5} F_{AC} + 600 \text{ lb} = 0$

$$F_{AC} = -1000 \text{ lb}$$

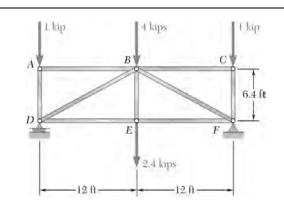
$$F_{AC} = 1000 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5}(-1000 \text{ lb}) + 600 \text{ lb} + F_{CD} = 0$

$$F_{CD} = 200 \, \text{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

From symmetry:

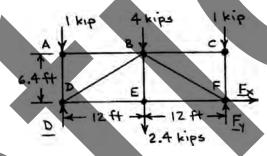
$$F_{AD} = F_{AC} = 1000 \text{ lb}$$
 C, $F_{AE} = F_{AB} = 671 \text{ lb}$ T, $F_{DE} = F_{BC} = 600 \text{ lb}$ C



Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Reactions:



+)
$$\Sigma M_D = 0$$
: $F_v(24) - (4 + 2.4)(12) - (1)(24) = 0$

$$\mathbf{F}_y = 4.2 \text{ kips}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\mathbf{F}_x = 0$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $D - (1 + 4 + 1 + 2.4) + 4.2 = 0$

$$\mathbf{D} = 4.2 \text{ kips}$$

Joint A:



$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{AB} = 0$

$$F_{AB} = 0$$

$$+ \sum F_{v} = 0: -1 - F_{AD} = 0$$

$$F_{AD} = -1 \text{ kip}$$

$$F_{AD} = 1.000 \text{ kip}$$
 $C \blacktriangleleft$

$$+ \Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $-1 + 4.2 + \frac{8}{17} F_{BD} = 0$

$$F_{BD} = -6.8 \text{ kips}$$

$$F_{BD} = 6.80 \text{ kips}$$
 C

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{15}{17}(-6.8) + F_{DE} = 0$

$$F_{DE} = +6 \text{ kips}$$

$$F_{DE} = 6.00 \text{ kips}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

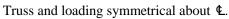
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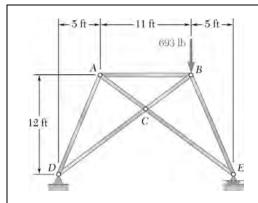
<u>Joint *E*</u>:

$$+ \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0: \quad F_{BE} - 2.4 = 0$$

$$F_{BE} = +2.4 \text{ kips}$$

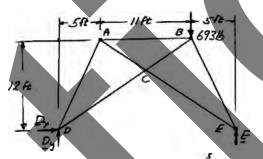
 $F_{BE} = 2.40 \text{ kips}$





Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION



$$AD = \sqrt{5^2 + 12^2} = 13 \text{ ft}$$
 $BCD = \sqrt{12^2 + 16^2} = 20 \text{ ft}$
 $BCD = \sqrt{12^2 + 16^2} = 20 \text{ ft}$

Reactions:

$$\Sigma F_x = 0: \quad D_x = 0$$

$$\Sigma M_E = 0$$
: $D_y(21 \text{ ft}) - (693 \text{ lb})(5 \text{ ft}) = 0$ $D_y = 165 \text{ lb}$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: 165 lb - 693 lb + $E = 0$ $\mathbf{E} = 528 \text{ lb}$

Joint D:

$$+ \Sigma F_x = 0: \quad \frac{5}{13} F_{AD} + \frac{4}{5} F_{DC} = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$+|\Sigma F_y| = 0: \frac{12}{13}F_{AD} + \frac{3}{5}F_{DC} + 165 \text{ lb} = 0$$
 (2)

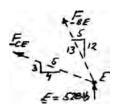
Solving Eqs. (1) and (2) simultaneously,

$$F_{AD} = -260 \text{ lb}$$
 $F_{AD} = 260 \text{ lb}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{DC} = +125 \text{ lb}$$
 $F_{DC} = 125 \text{ lb}$ $T \blacktriangleleft$

PROBLEM (Continued)

Joint *E*:



$$+ \Sigma F_x = 0: \quad \frac{5}{13} F_{BE} + \frac{4}{5} F_{CE} = 0 \tag{3}$$

$$+ |\Sigma F_y| = 0: \frac{12}{13} F_{BE} + \frac{3}{5} F_{CE} + 528 \text{ lb} = 0$$
 (4)

Solving Eqs. (3) and (4) simultaneously,

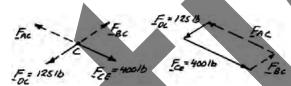
$$F_{BE} = -832 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{BE} = 832 \text{ lb}$$
 C

$$F_{CE} = +400 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{CE} = 400 \, \text{lb}$$
 T

<u>Joint *C*</u>:



Force polygon is a parallelogram (see Fig. 6.11, p. 209).

$$F_{AC} = 400 \, \text{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{BC} = 125.0 \, \text{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

 $\underline{\text{Joint } A}$:

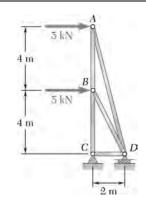
$$+\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{5}{13}(260 \text{ lb}) + \frac{4}{5}(400 \text{ lb}) + F_{AB} = 0$

$$F_{AB} = -420 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{AB} = 420 \, \text{lb}$$
 $C \blacktriangleleft$

$$+ |\Sigma F_{y}| = 0$$
: $\frac{12}{13} (260 \text{ lb}) - \frac{3}{5} (400 \text{ lb}) = 0$

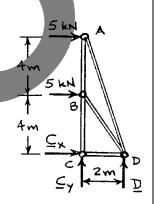
$$0 = 0$$
 (Checks)



Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Entire truss:



Free body: Joint A:

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{4} = \frac{F_{AD}}{\sqrt{17}} = \frac{5 \text{ kN}}{1}$$

$$F_{AB} = 20.0 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{AD} = 20.6 \text{ kN}$$
 C

Free body: Joint *B*:

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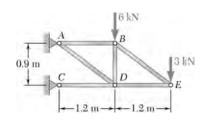
Free body: Joint *C*:

$$+ \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{CD} - 10 \text{ kN} = 0$

$$F_{CD} = +10 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{CD} = 10.00 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
: 30 kN - 30 kN = 0 (checks)



Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

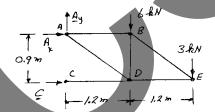
SOLUTION

Reactions:

$$\Sigma M_C = 0$$
: $\mathbf{A}_x = 16 \text{ kN} \leftarrow$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\mathbf{A}_y = 9 \text{ kN} \uparrow$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\mathbf{C} = 16 \text{ kN} \rightarrow$



Joint *E*:

$$F_{BE} = \frac{4}{5} \frac{3 \text{ kN}}{5} = \frac{F_{BE}}{4} = \frac{3 \text{ kN}}{3}$$

$$F_{DE} = \frac{F_{BE}}{4} = \frac{3 \text{ kN}}{3}$$

- $F_{BE} = 5.00 \text{ kN}$ $T \blacktriangleleft$
- $F_{DE} = 4.00 \text{ kN}$ C

Joint B:

$$\Sigma F_{x} = 0: \quad \frac{4}{5}(5 \text{ kN}) - F_{AB} = 0$$

$$F_{AB} = +4 \text{ kN} \qquad F_{AB} = 4.00 \text{ kN} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

$$+ \left| \Sigma F_{y} = 0: \right| -6 \text{ kN} - \frac{3}{5}(5 \text{ kN}) - F_{BD} = 0$$

$$F_{BD} = -9 \text{ kN} \qquad F_{BD} = 9.00 \text{ kN} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

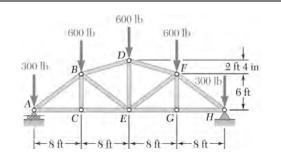
Joint D:

$$F_{AD} = 9 \text{ kN} + \frac{3}{5} F_{AD} = 0$$

$$F_{AD} = +15 \text{ kN} \qquad F_{AD} = 15.00 \text{ kN} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\frac{+}{5} \Sigma F_x = 0: \quad -4 \text{ kN} - \frac{4}{5} (15 \text{ kN}) - F_{CD} = 0$$

$$F_{CD} = -16 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{CD} = 16.00 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$



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

SOLUTION

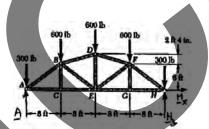
Free body: Truss:

$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\mathbf{H}_x = 0$

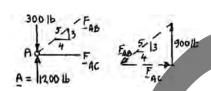
Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H}_{y} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 total load

$$A = H_v = 1200 \text{ lb}$$



Free body: Joint *A*:



$$\frac{F_{AB}}{5} = \frac{F_{AC}}{4} = \frac{900 \text{ lb}}{3}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{AB} = 1500 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{AC} = 1200 \, \mathrm{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

<u>Free body: Joint *C*</u>:

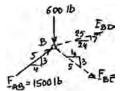
BC is a zero-force member.

$$\mathbf{F}_{BC} = 0$$

$$F_{CE} = 1200 \, \text{lb} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

Free body: Joint *B*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{24}{25} F_{BD} + \frac{4}{5} F_{BE} + \frac{4}{5} (1500 \text{ lb}) = 0$



$$24F_{BD} + 20F_{BE} = -30,000 \text{ lb} \tag{1}$$

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{7}{25} F_{BD} - \frac{3}{5} F_{BE} + \frac{3}{5} (1500) - 600 = 0$

$$7F_{RD} - 15F_{RE} = -7,500 \text{ lb}$$
 (2)

PROBLEM 6.9 (Continued)

Multiply Eq. (1) by 3, Eq. (2) by 4, and add:

$$100F_{RD} = -120,000 \text{ lb}$$

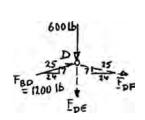
$$F_{BD} = 1200 \text{ lb} C$$

Multiply Eq. (1) by 7, Eq. (2) by -24, and add:

$$500F_{RE} = -30,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{BE} = 60.0 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

Free body: Joint *D*:



$$+\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{24}{25}(1200 \text{ lb}) + \frac{24}{25}F_{DF} = 0$

$$F_{DF} = -1200 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{DF} = 1200 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{7}{25} (1200 \text{ lb}) - \frac{7}{25} (-1200 \text{ lb}) - 600 \text{ lb} - F_{DE} = 0$

$$F_{DE} = 72.0 \, \text{lb}$$

$$F_{DE} = 72.0 \, \text{lb} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading, we deduce that

$$F_{EF} = F_{BE}$$

$$F_{EF} = 60.0 \, \text{lb}$$
 C

$$F_{EG} = F_{CE}$$

$$F_{EG} = 1200 \, \text{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{FG} = F_{BC}$$

$$F_{FG} = 0$$

$$F_{FH} = F_{AB}$$

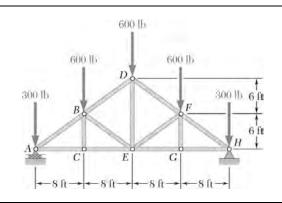
$$F_{FH} = 1500 \text{ lb}$$
 C

$$F_{GH} = F_{AC}$$

$$F_{GH} = 1200 \text{ lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

Note: Compare results with those of Problem 6.11.

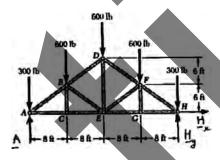
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Determine the force in each member of the Howe roof truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Truss:



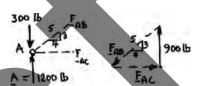
$$\Sigma F_x = 0: \quad \mathbf{H}_x = 0$$

Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading,

$$A = H_y = \frac{1}{2}$$
 total load

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H}_y = 1200 \text{ lb}$$

Free body: Joint A



$$\frac{F_{AB}}{5} = \frac{F_{AC}}{4} = \frac{900 \text{ lb}}{3}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{AB} = 1500 \text{ lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{AC} = 1200 \, \text{lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

Free body: Joint *C*:

BC is a zero-force member.

$$\mathbf{F}_{BC} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{CE} = 1200 \, \text{lb} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

PROBLEM 6.10 (Continued)

Free body: Joint *B*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5}F_{BD} + \frac{4}{5}F_{BC} + \frac{4}{5}(1500 \text{ lb}) = 0$



or

$$F_{BD} + F_{BE} = -1500 \,\text{lb} \tag{1}$$

$$+ \Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{3}{5} F_{BD} - \frac{3}{5} F_{BE} + \frac{3}{5} (1500 \text{ lb}) - 600 \text{ lb} = 0$

or

$$F_{BD} - F_{BE} = -500 \text{ lb} \tag{2}$$

Add Eqs. (1) and (2):

$$2F_{BD} = -2000 \text{ lb}$$

$$F_{BD} = 1000 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

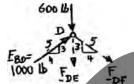
Subtract Eq. (2) from Eq. (1):

$$2F_{BE} = -1000 \, \text{lb}$$

$$F_{BE} = 500 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

Free Body: Joint D:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5}(1000 \text{ lb}) + \frac{4}{5}F_{DF} = 0$



$$+|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $\frac{3}{5}(1000 \text{ lb}) - \frac{3}{5}(-1000 \text{ lb}) - 600 \text{ lb} - F_{DE} = 0$

$$F_{DE} = +600 \text{ lb}$$

 $F_{DF} = -1000 \text{ lb}$

$$F_{DE} = 600 \, \text{lb} \quad T \, \blacktriangleleft$$

 $F_{DF} = 1000 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$

Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading, we deduce that

$$F_{EF} = F_{BE}$$

$$F_{EF} = 500 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{FG} = F_{CF}$$

$$F_{EG} = 1200 \, \text{lb} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$$

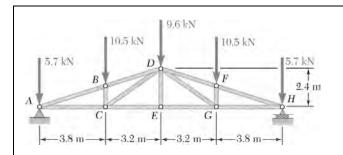
$$F_{FG} = 0$$

$$F_{FH} = F_{AB}$$

$$F_{FH} = 1500 \, \text{lb} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{GH} = F_{AC}$$

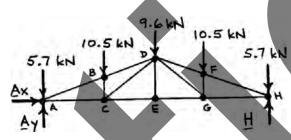
$$F_{GH} = 1200 \text{ lb}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$



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

SOLUTION

Free body: Truss:



$$\Sigma F_r = 0$$
: $A_r = 0$

Due to symmetry of truss and load,

$$A_y = H = \frac{1}{2} \text{ total load} = 21 \text{ kN}^{\uparrow}$$

Free body: Joint *A*:

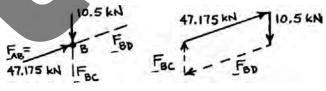
5.7 kN
$$\frac{35}{21 \text{ kN}}$$
 $\frac{7}{35}$
 $\frac{7}{46}$
 $\frac{7}{35}$
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 $\frac{7}{46}$
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$$F_{AB} = 47.175 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{AC} = 44.625 \text{ kN}$

$$F_{AB} = 47.2 \text{ kN}$$
 C

$$F_{AC} = 44.6 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

Free body: Joint *B*:



From force polygon:

$$F_{BD} = 47.175 \text{ kN}, \quad F_{BC} = 10.5 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{BC} = 10.50 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

$$F_{BD} = 47.2 \text{ kN}$$
 C

PROBLEM 6.11 (Continued)

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{3}{5}F_{CD} - 10.5 = 0$

 $F_{CD} = 17.50 \,\text{kN}$ T

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{CE} + \frac{4}{5}(17.50) - 44.625 = 0$

 $F_{CE} = 30.625 \text{ kN}$ $F_{CE} = 30.6 \text{ kN}$ T

Free body: Joint *E*:

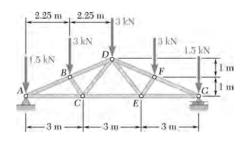
DE is a zero-force member.

 $F_{DE} = 0$



Truss and loading symmetrical about **L**.

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

SOLUTION

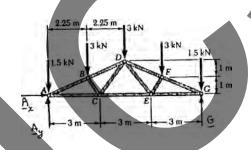
Free body: Truss:

$$\Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\mathbf{A}_x = 0$

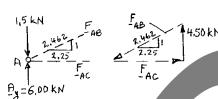
Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading,

$$\mathbf{A}_y = \mathbf{G} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 total load

$$\mathbf{A}_y = \mathbf{G} = 6.00 \,\mathrm{kN}$$



Free body: Joint *A*:



$$\frac{F_{AB}}{2.462} = \frac{F_{AC}}{2.25} = \frac{4.50 \text{ kM}}{1}$$

$$F_{AC} = 10.125 \,\mathrm{kN}$$

$$F_{AB} = 11.08 \text{ kN}$$
 C

$$F_{AC} = 10.13 \text{ kN}$$
 T

Free body: Joint B:

Multiply Eq. (2) by -2.25 and add to Eq. (1):

$$\frac{12}{5}$$
 F_{BC} + 6.75 kN = 0 F_{BC} = -2.8125 F_{BC} = 2.81 kN C ◀

Multiply Eq. (1) by 4, Eq. (2) by 3, and add:

$$\frac{12}{2.462}F_{BD} + \frac{12}{2.462}(11.08 \text{ kN}) - 9 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$F_{BD} = -9.2335 \text{ kN} \qquad F_{BD} = 9.23 \text{ kN} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

PROBLEM (Continued)

Free body: Joint C:
$$+ \Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5} F_{CD} - \frac{4}{5} (2.8125 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CD} = 2.8125 \text{ kN}, \qquad F_{CD} = 2.8125 \text{ kN}, \qquad F_{CD} = 2.8148 \text{ N} \quad T = 2.8125 \text{ kN}, \qquad F_{CD} = 2.8125 \text{ kN} \quad T = 2.8125 \text{ kN} \quad T$$

$$F_{CE} = +6.7500 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 $F_{CE} = 6.75 \,\mathrm{kN}$ T

Because of the symmetry of the truss and loading, we deduce that

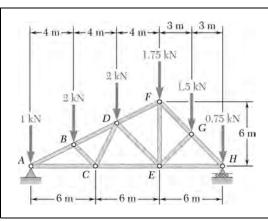
$$F_{DE} = F_{CD}$$
 $F_{CD} = 2.81 \,\mathrm{kN}$ T

$$F_{DF} = F_{BD} \qquad F_{DF} = 9.23 \text{ kN} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$$

$$F_{DF} = F_{BD}$$
 $F_{DF} = 9.23 \text{ kN} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$
 $F_{EF} = F_{BC}$ $F_{EF} = 2.81 \text{ kN} \quad C \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{EG} = F_{AC}$$
 $F_{EG} = 10.13 \text{ kN} \quad T \blacktriangleleft$

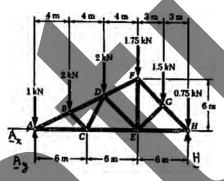
$$F_{FG} = F_{AB}$$
 $F_{FG} = 11.08 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$



Using the method of joints, determine the force in each member of the double-pitch roof truss shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Truss:



+) $\Sigma M_A = 0$: H(18 m) - (2 kN)(4 m) - (2 kN)(8 m) - (1.75 kN)(12 m)- (1.5 kN)(15 m) - (0.75 kN)(18 m) = 0

 $\mathbf{H} = 4.50 \,\mathrm{kN}^{\uparrow}$

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

$$\Sigma F_y = 0: \quad A_y + H - 9 = 0$$

$$A_{v} = 9 - 4.50$$
 $A_{v} = 4.50 \text{ kN}$

Free body: Joint A:

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{F_{AC}}{2} = \frac{3.50 \text{ kN}}{1}$$
 $F_{AB} = 7.8262 \text{ kN}$ C

$$F_{AB} = 7.83 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 C

$$F_{AC} = 7.00 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 T

PROBLEM 6.13 (Continued)

Free body: Joint *B*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} F_{BD} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} (7.8262 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{BC} = 0$

or

$$F_{BD} + 0.79057 F_{BC} = -7.8262 \text{ kN}$$

(1)

$$+ |\Sigma F_y| = 0: \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} F_{BD} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (7.8262 \text{ kN}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{BC} - 2 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$F_{BD} - 1.58114 F_{BC} = -3.3541 \tag{2}$$

Multiply Eq. (1) by 2 and add Eq. (2):

$$3F_{BD} = -19.0065$$

$$F_{BD} = -6.3355 \,\mathrm{kN}$$

 $F_{BD} = 6.34 \text{ kN}$ C

Subtract Eq. (2) from Eq. (1):

$$2.37111F_{BC} = -4.4721$$
$$F_{BC} = -1.8861 \,\text{kN}$$

$$F_{BC} = -1.8861 \,\mathrm{kN}$$

$$F_{BC} = 1.886 \,\text{kN} \, C \, \blacktriangleleft$$

Free body: Joint *C*:

+
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} F_{CD} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1.8861 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CD} = +1.4911 \,\text{kN}$$

$$F_{CD} = 1.491 \,\text{kN}$$
 T

$$+ \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{CE} - 7.00 \text{ kN} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1.8861 \text{ kN}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (1.4911 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CE} = +5.000 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{CE} = 5.00 \, \text{kN}$$
 T

Free body: Joint *D*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0: \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} F_{DF} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{DE} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} (6.3355 \text{ kN}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (1.4911 \text{ kN}) = 0$$

$$F_{DF} + 0.79057 F_{DF} = -5.5900 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DF} + 0.79057 F_{DE} = -5.5900 \text{ kN} \tag{1}$$

$$+ \sum F_y = 0: \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} F_{DF} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{DE} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (6.3355 \text{ kN}) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} (1.4911 \text{ kN}) - 2 \text{ kN} = 0$$

$$F_{DF} - 0.79057 F_{DE} = -1.1188 \,\text{kN} \tag{2}$$

Add Eqs. (1) and (2):

$$2F_{DF} = -6.7088 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DF} = -3.3544 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DF} = 3.35 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

Subtract Eq. (2) from Eq. (1):

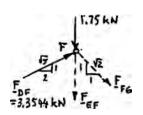
$$1.58114F_{DE} = -4.4712 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DE} = -2.8278 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DE} = 2.83 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

PROBLEM 6.13 (Continued)

Free body: Joint *F*:



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{FG} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} (3.3544 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{FG} = -4.243 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{FG} = 4.24 \text{ kN}$$
 C

$$+ \Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{EF} - 1.75 \text{ kN} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} (3.3544 \text{ kN}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-4.243 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{EF} = 2.750 \,\mathrm{kN}$$

$$F_{EF} = 2.75 \text{ kN}$$
 T

Free body: Joint G:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{GH} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{EG} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (4.243 \text{ kN}) = 0$

Fee Fen

or

$$F_{GH} - F_{EG} = -4.243 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 (1)

+
$$|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}F_{GH} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}F_{EG} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(4.243 \text{ kN}) - 1.5 \text{ kN} = 0$

or

$$F_{GH} + F_{EG} = -6.364 \,\text{kN} \tag{2}$$

Add Eqs. (1) and (2):

$$2F_{GH} = -10.607$$

$$F_{GH} = -5.303$$

$$F_{GH} = 5.30 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

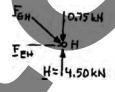
Subtract Eq. (1) from Eq. (2):

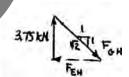
$$2F_{EG} = -2.121 \,\mathrm{kN}$$

$$F_{EG} = -1.0605 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{EG} = 1.061 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

Free body: Joint *H*:





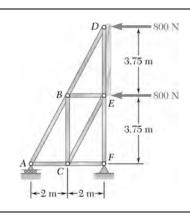
$$\frac{F_{EH}}{1} = \frac{3.75 \text{ kN}}{1}$$

$$F_{EH} = 3.75 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

We can also write

$$\frac{F_{GH}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3.75 \text{ kN}}{1}$$

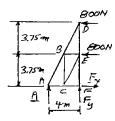
$$F_{GH} = 5.30 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 C (Checks)



The truss shown is one of several supporting an advertising panel. Determine the force in each member of the truss for a wind load equivalent to the two forces shown. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

Free body: Entire truss:



+)
$$\Sigma M_F = 0$$
: (800 N)(7.5 m) + (800 N)(3.75 m) – A (2 m) = 0
 $A = +2250$ N $A = 2250$ N \uparrow

$$+|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: 2250 N + F_y = 0

$$F_y = -2250 \text{ N}$$
 $F_y = 2250 \text{ N}$

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $-800 \text{ N} - 800 \text{ N} + F_x = 0$

$$F_x = +1600 \text{ N}$$
 $F_x = 1600 \text{ N}$

Joint D:



$$\frac{800 \text{ N}}{8} = \frac{F_{DE}}{15} = \frac{F_{BB}}{17}$$

 $F_{BD} = 1700 \text{ N}$ C

$$F_{DE} = 1500 \text{ N}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

Joint A:

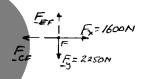


$$\frac{2250 \text{ N}}{15} = \frac{F_{AB}}{17} = \frac{F_{AC}}{8}$$

 $F_{AB} = 2250 \text{ N}$ C

$$F_{AC} = 1200 \text{ N}$$
 T

Joint *F*:



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: 1600 N - $F_{CF} = 0$
 $F_{CF} = +1600$ N

$$F_{CF} = +1600 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{CF} = 1600 \text{ N}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
: $F_{EF} - 2250 \text{ N} = 0$

$$F_{EF} = +2250 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{EF} = 2250 \text{ N}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

PROBLEM 6.14 (Continued)

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{8}{17} F_{CE} - 1200 \text{ N} + 1600 \text{ N} = 0$

$$F_{BC} = 1200N$$

$$F_{CE} = 1600N$$

$$+ \Sigma F_{y} = 0: \quad F_{BC} + \frac{15}{17} F_{CE} = 0$$

$$F_{CE} = -850 \text{ N}$$

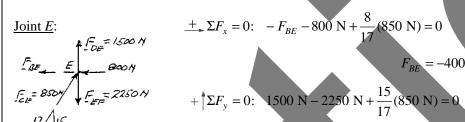
$$F_{CE} = -850 \text{ N}$$
 $F_{CE} = 850 \text{ N}$ C

$$+ |\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $F_{BC} + \frac{15}{17} F_{CE} = 0$

$$F_{BC} = -\frac{15}{17}F_{CE} = -\frac{15}{17}(-850 \text{ N})$$

$$F_{BC} = +750 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{BC} = 750 \text{ N}$$
 T

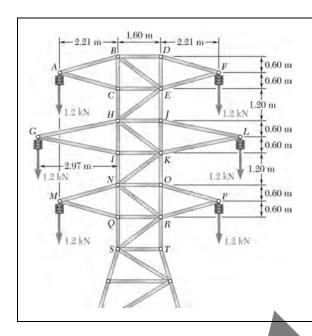


$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $-F_{BE} - 800 \text{ N} + \frac{8}{17} (850 \text{ N}) = 0$

$$F_{BE} = -400 \text{ N}$$
 $F_{BE} = 400 \text{ N}$ C

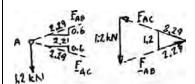
$$+|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: 1500 N - 2250 N + $\frac{15}{17}$ (850 N) = 0

$$0 = 0$$
 (checks)



The portion of truss shown represents the upper part of a power transmission line tower. For the given loading, determine the force in each of the members located above *HJ*. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION

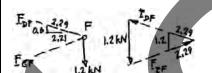


Free body: Joint A:

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{2.29} = \frac{F_{AC}}{2.29} = \frac{1.2 \text{ kN}}{1.2}$$

$$F_{AB} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{AC} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
 C



Free body: Joint *F*:

$$\frac{F_{DF}}{2.29} = \frac{F_{EF}}{2.29} = \frac{1.2 \text{ kN}}{2.1}$$

$$F_{DF} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{EF} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
 C



Free body: Joint D:

$$\frac{F_{BD}}{2.21} = \frac{F_{DE}}{0.6} = \frac{2.29 \text{ kN}}{2.29}$$

$$F_{BD} = 2.21 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 T

$$F_{DE} = 0.600 \text{ kN} \quad C \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

Free body: Joint *B*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5}F_{BE} + 2.21 \text{ kN} - \frac{2.21}{2.29}(2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$

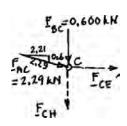
$$F_{BE} = 0$$

$$+ | \Sigma F_y = 0: -F_{BC} - \frac{3}{5}(0) - \frac{0.6}{2.29}(2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$$

$$F_{BC} = -0.600 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{BC} = 0.600 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

PROBLEM 6.23 (Continued)

Free body: Joint C:



$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{CE} + \frac{2.21}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$
 $F_{CE} = -2.21 \text{ kN}$ $F_{CE} = 2.21 \text{ kN}$ C

+
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{CH} = 0.600 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CH} = -1.200 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{CH} = 1.200 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

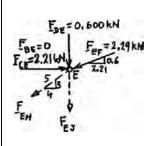
Free body: Joint *E*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: 2.21 kN $-\frac{2.21}{2.29}$ (2.29 kN) $-\frac{4}{5}F_{EH} = 0$

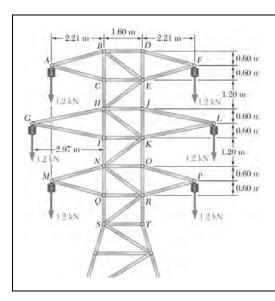
$$F_{EH} = 0$$

$$+ \sum F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{EJ} - 0.600 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) - 0 = 0$

$$F_{EJ} = -1.200 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{EJ} = 1.200 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$



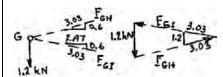
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For the tower and loading of Problem 6.23 and knowing that $F_{CH} = F_{EJ} = 1.2$ kN C and $F_{EH} = 0$, determine the force in member HJ and in each of the members located between HJ and *NO*. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

PROBLEM 6.23 The portion of truss shown represents the upper part of a power transmission line tower. For the given loading, determine the force in each of the members located above HJ. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION



Free body: Joint G

$$\frac{F_{GH}}{3.03} = \frac{F_{GI}}{3.03} = \frac{1.2 \text{ kN}}{1.2}$$
 $F_{GH} = 3.03 \text{ kN}$ T

$$F_{GI} = 3.03 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

Free body: Joint L:

$$\frac{F_{JL}}{3.03} = \frac{F_{KL}}{3.03} = \frac{1.2 \text{ kN}}{1.2}$$

$$F_{JL} = 3.03 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 T

$$F_{KL} = 3.03 \,\text{kN}$$
 C

Free body: Joint *J*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $-F_{HJ} + \frac{2.97}{3.03}(3.03 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{HJ} = 2.97 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{JK} - 1.2 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{3.03} (3.03 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{JK} = -1.800 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{JK} = 1.800 \text{ kN}$ C

Free body: Joint *H*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5}F_{HK} + 2.97 \text{ kN} - \frac{2.97}{3.03}(3.03 \text{ kN}) = 0$

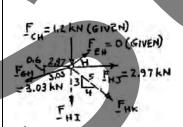
$$F_{HK} = 0$$

$$+ | \Sigma F_y = 0: -F_{HI} - 1.2 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{3.03} (3.03) \text{ kN} - \frac{3}{5} (0) = 0$$

$$F_{HI} = -1.800 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{HI} = 1.800 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

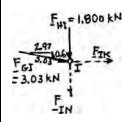






PROBLEM 6.24 (Continued)

Free body: Joint *I*:



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$$F_x = 0$$
: $F_{IK} + \frac{2.97}{3.03}$ (3.03 kN) = 0
 $F_{IK} = -2.97$ kN $F_{IK} = 2.97$ kN C ◀

$$+ |\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $-F_{IN} - 1.800 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{3.03} (3.03 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{IN} = -2.40 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{IN} = 2.40 \text{ kN}$ C

Free body: Joint *K*:

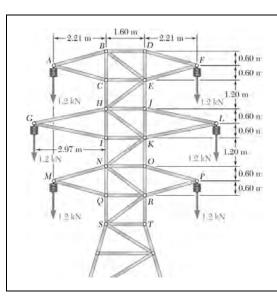
$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $-\frac{4}{5}F_{KN} + 2.97 \text{ kN} - \frac{2.97}{3.03}(3.03 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{KN} = 0$$

+
$$\left| \Sigma F_y = 0 \right|$$
 - $F_{KO} - \frac{0.6}{3.03} (3.03 \text{ kN}) - 1.800 \text{ kN} - \frac{3}{5} (0) = 0$

$$F_{KO} = -2.40 \text{ kN}$$

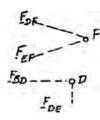
$$F_{KO} = 2.40 \text{ kN}$$
 C



Solve Problem 6.23 assuming that the cables hanging from the right side of the tower have fallen to the ground.

PROBLEM 6.23 The portion of truss shown represents the upper part of a power transmission line tower. For the given loading, determine the force in each of the members located above HJ. State whether each member is in tension or compression.

SOLUTION



Zero-Force Members

Considering joint F, we note that DF and EF are zero-force members:

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

Considering next joint D, we note that BD and DE are zero-force members:

$$F_{BD} = F_{DE} = 0$$



Free body: Joint A

$$\frac{F_{AB}}{2.29} = \frac{F_{AC}}{2.29} = \frac{1.2 \text{ kN}}{1.2}$$

$$F_{AB} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
 $T \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{AC} = 2.29 \text{ kN}$$
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Free body: Joint B:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $\frac{4}{5} F_{BE} - \frac{2.21}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{BE} = 2.7625 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{BE} = 2.76 \text{ kN}$ $T \blacktriangleleft$

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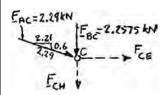
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$$|\Sigma F_y| = 0$$
: $-F_{BC} - \frac{0.6}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) - \frac{3}{5} (2.7625 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{BC} = -2.2575 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{BC} = 2.26 \text{ kN}$ $C \blacktriangleleft$

$$F_{BC} = 2.26 \text{ kN}$$
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PROBLEM 6.25 (Continued)

Free body: Joint *C*:



$$^+ \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $F_{CE} + \frac{2.21}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CE} = 2.21 \,\mathrm{kN}$$
 C

+
$$\Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{CH} - 2.2575 \text{ kN} - \frac{0.6}{2.29} (2.29 \text{ kN}) = 0$

$$F_{CH} = -2.8575 \text{ kN}$$

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 $F_{CH} = 2.86 \text{ kN}$ C

Free body: Joint *E*:

$$\pm \Sigma F_x = 0$$
: $-\frac{4}{5}F_{EH} - \frac{4}{5}(2.7625 \text{ kN}) + 2.21 \text{ kN} = 0$

$$F_{EH} = 0$$

$$+ \Sigma F_y = 0$$
: $-F_{EJ} + \frac{3}{5}(2.7625 \text{ kN}) - \frac{3}{5}(0) = 0$

$$F_{EI} = +1.6575 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{EJ} = +1.6575 \text{ kN}$$
 $F_{EJ} = 1.658 \text{ kN}$ T