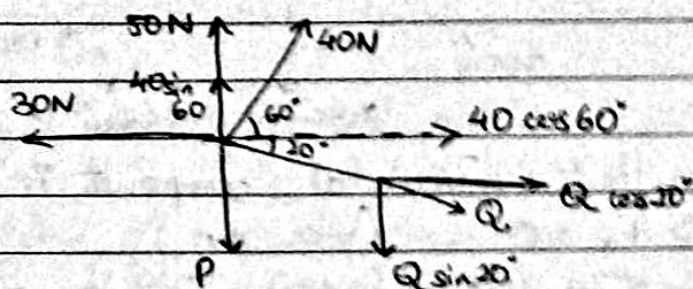


## Assignment 1

- 1) Five concurrent coplanar forces act on a body as shown in figure. Find the force  $P$  and  $Q$  such that the resultant of five forces is zero.

FBD:



Since resultant is zero,  
forces along  $X$  axis and  $Y$  axis will be zero.

$$\therefore \sum F_x = 0 \quad (\rightarrow +ve)$$

$$\therefore 40 \cos 60^\circ + Q \cos 20^\circ - 30 = 0.$$

$$\therefore Q = 21.2836 \text{ N}$$

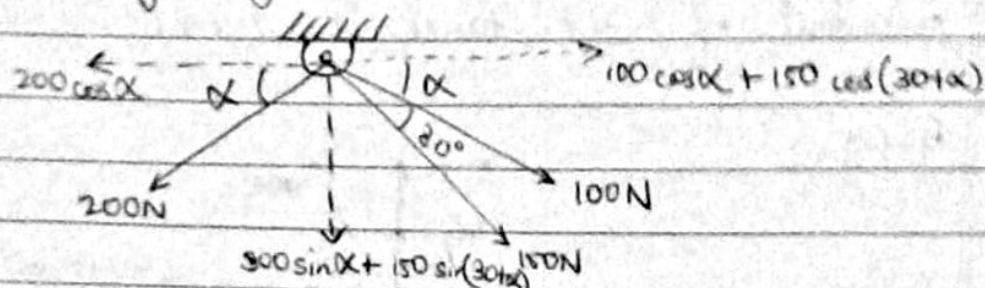
$$\therefore \sum F_y = 0 \quad (\uparrow +ve)$$

$$50 + 40 \sin 60^\circ - Q \sin 20^\circ - P = 0.$$

$$\therefore P = 77.3616 \text{ N}$$



- 2) For the system shown, determine
- The required value of  $\alpha$  if resultant of three forces is to be vertical.
  - The corresponding magnitude of resultant.



(i) For resultant, horizontal component is zero.

$$\therefore \sum F_x = 0 \quad (\rightarrow \text{ive})$$

$$100 \cos \alpha + 150 \cos(\alpha + 30) - 200 \cos \alpha = 0.$$

$$3 \cos(\alpha + 30) = 2 \cos \alpha.$$

$$3 \cos \alpha \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 3 \sin \alpha = 2 \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos \alpha \left( \frac{3\sqrt{3} - 2}{2} \right) = \frac{3 \sin \alpha}{2} \quad \therefore \tan \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3} - 4}{3}$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3} - 4}{3} \right) = (21.74)^\circ$$

$$(ii) \therefore \sum F_y = -[300 \sin(21.74) + 150 \sin(51.74)]$$

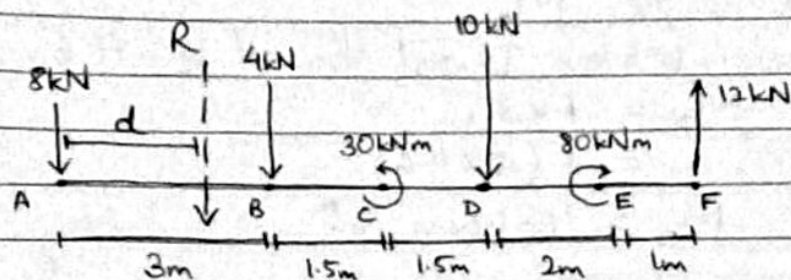
$$= -228.8999 \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore R = 228.8999 \text{ N } (\downarrow)$$





- 9) Figure shows a parallel system of four forces and two couples  
FBD:



- i) Replace it by a single force and obtain its location from point A.

This is a system of 4 parallel forces and two couples.

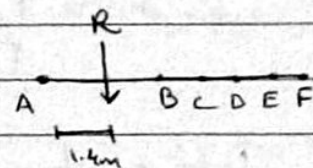
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Resultant force } R &= \sum F_y \quad (\uparrow +ve) \\ &= (-8 - 4 - 10 + 12) \\ &= -10 \text{ kN} = 10 \text{ kN} \downarrow \end{aligned}$$

Let us assume that the resultant force is located at a distance  $d$  from A.  
Using Varignon's theorem,

$$\sum M_A^F = \sum M_A^R \quad (\curvearrowright +ve)$$

$$\therefore -10 \times d = -4 \times 3 - 10 \times 6 + 12 \times 9.$$

$$\therefore d = 1.4 \text{ m} \quad (\text{from right of A})$$

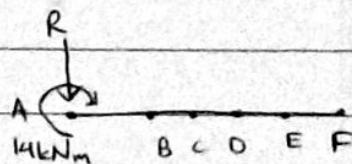


- ii) To replace it by a force couple system at point A, we need to shift resultant force  $R = 10 \text{ kN}$  to point A by introducing a couple  $M$ . The  $\perp$  distance between point A and force  $R$  is  $1.4 \text{ m}$ .  
 $\therefore$  Couple  $M = F \times d$

$$= 10 \times (-1.4)$$

$$= -14 \text{ kNm}$$

$$\therefore M = 14 \text{ kNm} \curvearrowright$$



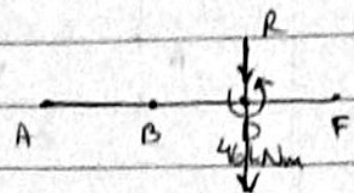


- iii) To replace it by a force couple system at point D, we need to shift force  $R = 10\text{ kN}$  to point D by introducing a couple  $M_D$ .  
The  $\perp$  distance between D and force R is  $4.6\text{ m}$ .

$$\therefore \text{Couple } M_D = F \times d$$

$$= + (10 \times 4.6)$$

$$M_D = 46\text{ kNm } \curvearrowright$$



- iv) To replace it by two parallel forces at B and D. The force couple system at D is shown. The couple of  $46\text{ kNm}$  at D can be replaced by two parallel forces at B and D, equal in magnitude and opposite in sense.

$$\text{Couple } M_D = F \times d$$

$$46 = F \times 3$$

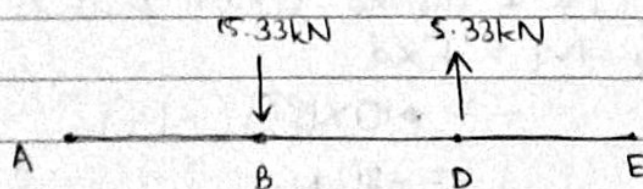
(dist b/w B and D is  $3\text{ m}$ )

$$\therefore F = 15.33\text{ N}$$

$\therefore$  Force  $F_B = 15.33\text{ N } \downarrow$  at B and

$F_D = 15.33\text{ N } \uparrow$  at D can replace the couple of  $46\text{ kNm}$ .

Adding forces at D i.e.  $-10 + 15.33 = 5.33\text{ kN}$ , we get the two parallel components as  $15.33\text{ kN } (\downarrow)$  at B and  $5.33\text{ kN } (\uparrow)$  at D as shown.

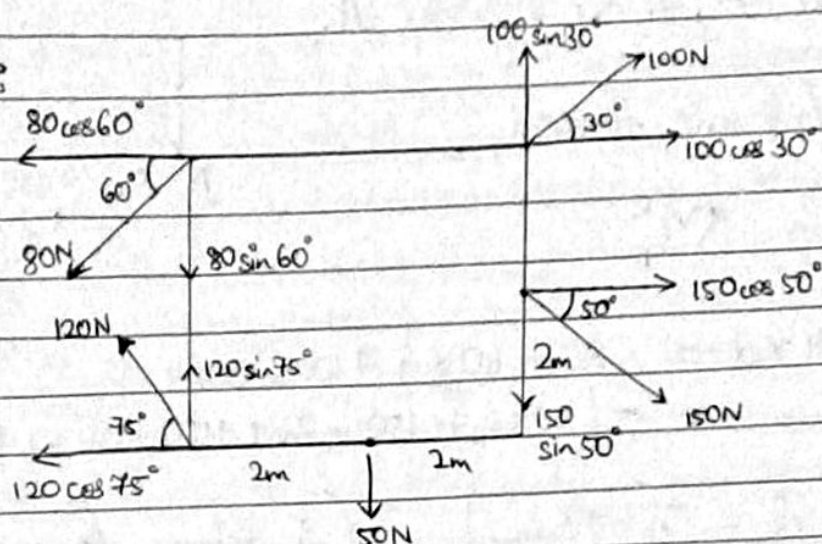




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- 4) Determine the result of the system of forces shown in figure. Locate the point where the resultant cuts the base AB.

FBD:



This is a system of five general forces.  
Using method of resolution,

$$\sum F_x = 100 \cos 30^\circ + 150 \cos 50^\circ - 120 \cos 75^\circ - 80 \cos 60^\circ$$

( $\rightarrow$  +ve)

$$\sum F_x = 111.96 \text{ N } (\rightarrow)$$

$$\sum F_y = 100 \sin 30^\circ + 120 \sin 75^\circ - 80 \sin 60^\circ - 150 \sin 50^\circ - 50$$

( $\uparrow$  +ve)

$$\therefore \sum F_y = 68.28 \text{ N } (\downarrow)$$

Now,

$$R = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2} = \sqrt{111.96^2 + 68.28^2} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{\sum F_y}{\sum F_x} = \frac{68.28}{111.96}$$

$$\therefore R = 131.14 \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore \theta = 31.38^\circ$$

$\therefore$  Resultant is located in IV<sup>th</sup> quadrant

$$R = 131.14 \text{ N } (\searrow 31.38^\circ)$$

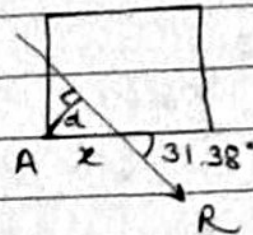
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for location of resultant,

Let us assume the resultant is at a perpendicular distance 'd' from point A, to the right of A.

Using Varignon's theorem,

$$\sum M_A^F = M_A^R$$



$$-131.14 \times d = 80 \cos 60 \times 4 + 100 \sin 30 \times 4 - [50 \times 2 + 150 \sin 50 \times 4 + 150 \cos 50 \times 2 + 100 \cos 30]$$

$$\therefore d = 5.623 \text{ m.} \quad (\perp \text{ distance from right of A}).$$

Let the resultant force R cut the base AB at a distance x from A.  
 $\therefore$  from geometry,  $\sin \theta = d/x$ .

$$\sin 31.38 = 5.623/x$$

$$\therefore x = 10.8 \text{ m}$$

