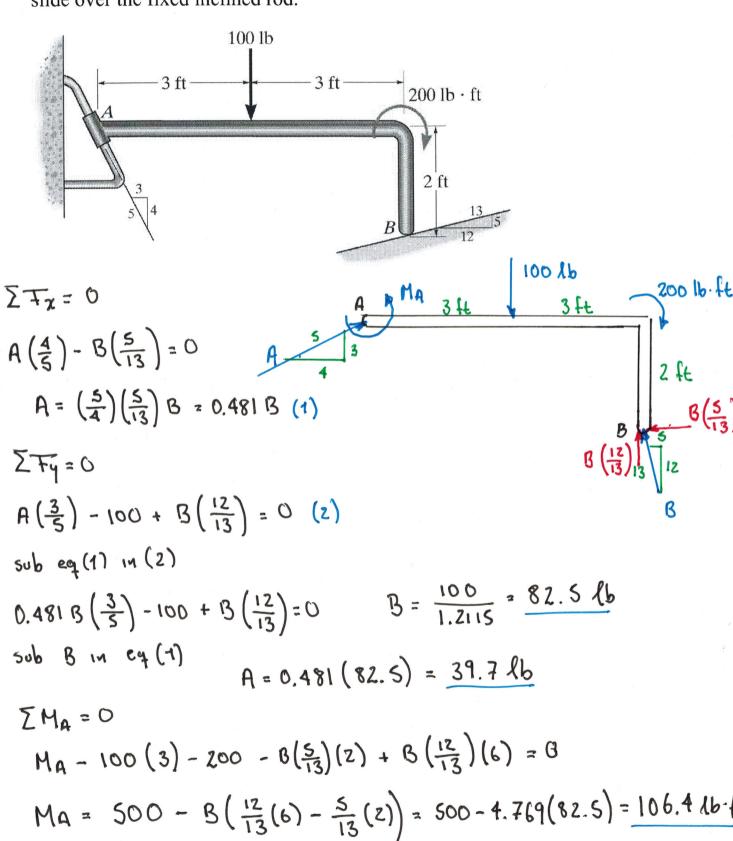
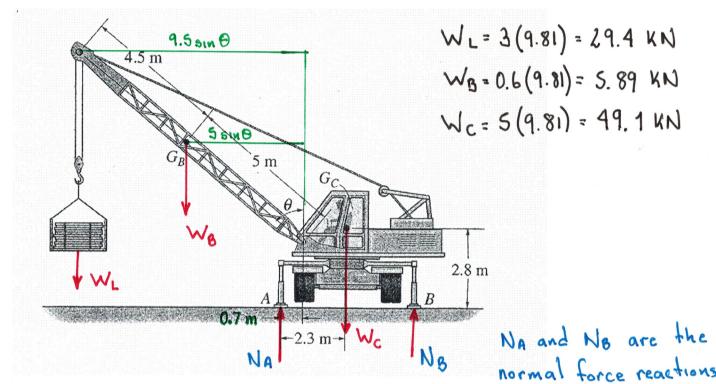
Determine the reactions on the bent rod which is supported by a smooth surface at *B* and by a collar at *A*, which is fixed to the rod and is free to slide over the fixed inclined rod.



Outriggers A and B are used to stabilize the crane from overturning when lifting large loads. If the load to be lifted is 3 Mg, determine the maximum boom angle  $\theta$  so that the crane does not overturn. The crane has a mass of 5 Mg and center of mass at  $G_C$ , whereas the boom has a mass of 0.6 Mg and center of mass at  $G_B$ .



Note, the crane will overturn when the load on the left hand side is so large that the normal force at B becomes zero, i.e., NB=0. The moment produced by WL and VB on the crane is related to the boom angle  $\theta$ . We can find the onset of overturning by setting NB=0 and taking moments about point A, any angle greater than the maximum will overturn.  $\sum MA=0 \qquad WL (9.5 \sin \theta - 0.7) + WB (5 \sin \theta - 0.7) - WC (2.3) = 0$   $5in\theta = \frac{WC(2.3) + WL(0.7) + WB(0.7)}{WL(9.5) + WB(5)} = 0.446 \qquad \Theta = 26.5^{\circ}$