$\mathbf{Q2}$

The clamp assembly as shown in Figure Q2 consists of member AB and AC, which are pin connected at A. The clamp works by rotating a single start ACME thread ($\alpha=14.5^{\circ}$) with the size of 12.5 mm and pitch of 2.5 mm. At this instant, the compressive force, Fc on the wood between B and C is 180 N. The collar at the assembly has a mean diameter of 13.5 mm. Assume all the friction coefficient between all surface contracts is 0.3. Determine:

- the load acting at the screw.
- the torque required to tighten the screw.
- the maximum compressive force, Fc, if allowable normal stress at the screw is 10 MPa.

Solution