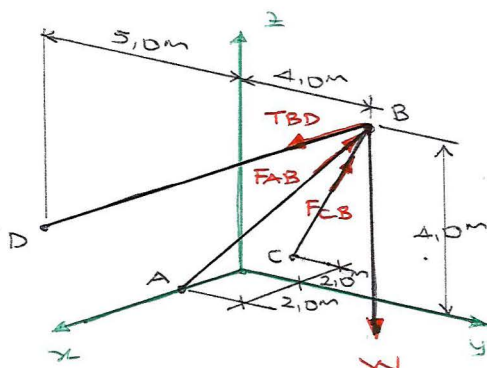




Problem Set 4 (PSA)

Solution

1-



• First, draw a FBD. Logically assume the directions of unknown forces.

• Express all forces in cartesian vector formulation

$$A(2,0;0,0;0,0)$$

$$B(0,0;4,0;4,0)$$

$$C(-2,0;0,0;0,0)$$

$$D(0,0;-5,0;0,0)$$

$$\underline{r}_{AB} = -2,0\hat{i} + 4,0\hat{j} + 4,0\hat{k} ; r_{AB} = \sqrt{2,0^2 + 4,0^2 + 4,0^2} = 6,0 \text{ m}$$

$$\underline{u}_{AB} = \frac{\underline{r}_{AB}}{r_{AB}} = -0,333\hat{i} + 0,667\hat{j} + 0,667\hat{k}$$

$$\underline{F}_{AB} = F_{AB} \cdot \underline{u}_{AB} = -0,333 F_{AB}\hat{i} + 0,667 F_{AB}\hat{j} + 0,667 F_{AB}\hat{k}$$

$$\underline{r}_{CB} = +2,0\hat{i} + 4,0\hat{j} + 4,0\hat{k} ; r_{CB} = 6,0 \text{ m}$$

$$\underline{F}_{CB} = 0,333 F_{CB}\hat{i} + 0,667 F_{CB}\hat{j} + 0,667 F_{CB}\hat{k}$$

$$\underline{r}_{BD} = -9,0\hat{j} - 4,0\hat{k} ; r_{BD} = 9,849 \text{ m}$$

$$\underline{T}_{BD} = -0,914 T_{BD}\hat{j} - 0,406 T_{BD}\hat{k}$$

$$W = -0,2 \cdot 9,81\hat{k} = -1,962\hat{k}$$

• Apply 3 equilibrium equations:

$$\boxed{\sum F_x = 0} \quad -0,333 F_{AB} + 0,333 F_{CB} = 0 \Rightarrow F_{AB} = F_{CB} \quad (\text{makes sense due to symm.})$$

$$\boxed{\sum F_y = 0} \quad 0,667 F_{AB} + 0,667 F_{CB} - 0,914 T_{BD} = 0 \Rightarrow F_{AB} = 0,685 T_{BD}$$

$$\boxed{\sum F_z = 0} \quad 0,667 F_{AB} + 0,667 F_{CB} - 0,406 T_{BD} - 1,962 = 0$$

$$0,914 T_{BD} - 0,406 T_{BD} = 1,962 \text{ kN} \Rightarrow T_{BD} = 1,486 \text{ kN}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{AB} = 1,018 \text{ kN}$$

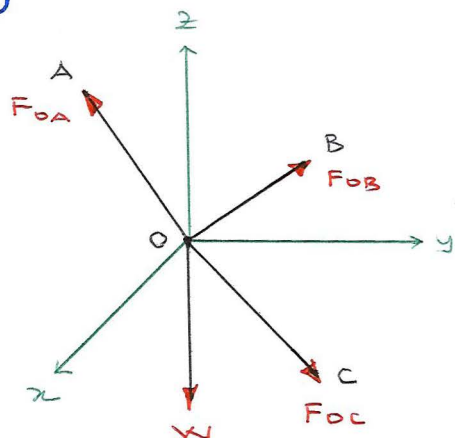
Answer: Leg AB : $F_{AB} = 1,02 \text{ kN}$ compression $\Rightarrow F_{CB} = 1,018 \text{ kN}$

Leg CB : $F_{CB} = 1,02 \text{ kN}$ compression

Cable BD : $T_{BD} = 1,49 \text{ kN}$ tension



2-



• First, draw a FBD. Logically assume directions of unknowns. All cables → tension.

• Express all forces in cartesian vector formulation.

$$A(-1, 0, -3, 0, 4, 2)$$

$$B(-1, 0, 2, 1, 1, 6)$$

$$C(6, 0, 5, 5, 0, 0)$$

• $\underline{r}_{OA} = -1,0\hat{i} - 3,0\hat{j} + 4,2\hat{k}$; $r_{OA} = 5,257 \text{ m}$

$$\underline{T}_{OA} = \frac{\underline{r}_{OA}}{r_{OA}} = -0,190 T_{OA} \hat{i} - 0,571 T_{OA} \hat{j} + 0,799 T_{OA} \hat{k}$$

• $\underline{r}_{OB} = -1,0\hat{i} + 2,1\hat{j} + 1,6\hat{k}$; $r_{OB} = 2,823 \text{ m}$

$$\underline{T}_{OB} = (-0,354\hat{i} + 0,744\hat{j} + 0,567\hat{k}) \cdot T_{OB}$$

• $\underline{r}_{OC} = 6,0\hat{i} + 5,5\hat{j}$; $r_{OC} = 8,139 \text{ m}$

$$\underline{T}_{OC} = 0,737 T_{OC} \hat{i} + 0,676 T_{OC} \hat{j}$$

• $\underline{W} = -W \hat{k}$

• Apply 3 equilibrium equations.

$$\boxed{\sum F_x = 0} \quad -0,190 T_{OA} - 0,354 T_{OB} + 0,737 T_{OC} = 0 \quad (I)$$

\hat{i} terms

$$\boxed{\sum F_y = 0} \quad -0,571 T_{OA} + 0,744 T_{OB} + 0,676 T_{OC} = 0 \quad (II)$$

\hat{j} terms

$$\boxed{\sum F_z = 0} \quad 0,799 T_{OA} + 0,567 T_{OB} - W = 0 \quad (III)$$

\hat{k} terms

• 3 equations with 4 unknowns. cannot solve. must make an assumption. Assume $T_{OA} = 1200 \text{ N}$ and solve. If $T_{OB} \leq 1200 \text{ N}$ and $T_{OC} \leq 1200 \text{ N}$, the assumption is correct.

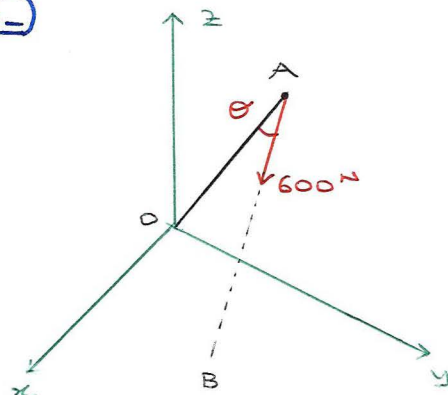
• Solving eq. (I) and (II) : $T_{OB} = 445,5 \text{ N} < 1200 \text{ N}$ OK ✓
 $T_{OC} = 523,3 \text{ N} < 1200 \text{ N}$ OK ✓

• From eq. (III) : $W = 1211,4 \text{ N}$ Answer :

$$W = m \cdot g \Rightarrow m = 123 \text{ N}$$



3-



- First, draw a FBD. Show all forces.
- Express all forces in cartesian formulation.

$$A(0,0;3,2;5,0)$$

$$B(2,6;4,0;0,0)$$

$$\underline{r}_{AB} = 2,6\hat{i} + 0,8\hat{j} - 5,0\hat{k} \quad ; \quad r_{AB} = 5,692 \text{ m}$$

$$\underline{F}_{AB} = 274,1\hat{i} + 84,3\hat{j} - 527,1\hat{k}$$

$$\text{check: } F = \sqrt{274,1^2 + 84,3^2 + 527,1^2} = 600,1 \text{ N}$$

OK ✓

- Then, find the unit vector in requested direction (i.e., AO)

$$\underline{r}_{AO} = -3,2\hat{j} - 5,0\hat{k} \quad ; \quad r_{AO} = 5,936 \text{ m}$$

$$\underline{u}_{AO} = \underline{r}_{AO} / r_{AO} = -0,539\hat{j} - 0,842\hat{k}$$

i. $F_{AO||} = \underline{F}_{AB} \cdot \underline{u}_{AO}$ dot product $= (274,1)(0) + (84,3)(-0,539) + (-527,1)(-0,842)$
 $= +398,4 \text{ N} \approx 399 \text{ N}$

$$F_{OA||} = F_{AO||} \cdot \underline{u}_{AO} = -214,7\hat{j} - 335,5\hat{k}$$

$$\text{check: } \cos \theta = \frac{\underline{r}_{AO} \cdot \underline{r}_{AB}}{r_{AO} \cdot r_{AB}} = \frac{(-3,2)(0,8) + (-5,0)(-5,0)}{5,936 \cdot 5,692} = 0,664$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 48,1^\circ$$

$$F_{OA||} = 600 \cdot \cos 48,1^\circ = 398,4 \text{ N} \quad \text{OK} \checkmark$$

ii. $\underline{F}_{OA\perp} = \underline{F}_{AB} - \underline{F}_{OA||} = (84,3 + 214,7)\hat{j} + (-527,1 + 335,5)\hat{k}$
 $= 274,1\hat{j} + 298,0\hat{k} - 191,6\hat{k}$

$$F_{OA\perp} = \sqrt{274,1^2 + 298,0^2 + 191,6^2} = 448,6 \text{ N} \approx 449 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{check: } F_{OA\perp} = \sqrt{600^2 - 398,4^2} = 448,6 \text{ N} \quad \text{OK} \checkmark$$

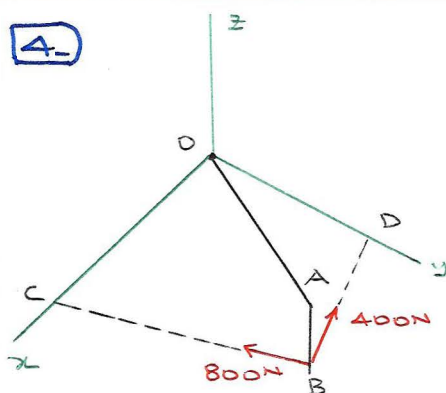
$$F_{OA\perp} = 600 \cdot \sin 48,1^\circ = 448,7 \text{ N} \quad \text{OK} \checkmark$$

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$$\theta = 48,1^\circ \quad (\text{see above solution})$$



4.



- First, draw a FBD. Show all forces.
- Then express all forces in cartesian formulation.

$$B(500; 1600; -400) \text{ mm}$$

$$C(2000; 0; 0)$$

$$D(0; 1600; 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_{BC} &= 1500\hat{i} - 1600\hat{j} + 400\hat{k} \quad ; \quad r_{BC} = 2229,3 \text{ mm} \\ \vec{F}_{BC} &= 538,3\hat{i} - 574,2\hat{j} + 143,5\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_{BD} &= -500\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 400\hat{k} \quad ; \quad r_{BD} = 640,3 \text{ mm} \\ \vec{F}_{BD} &= -312,4\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 249,9\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

- Then, select moment arms with as many zero components as possible (to simplify the math.)

For \vec{F}_{BC} , select $\vec{r}_{OC} = 2000\hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$

For \vec{F}_{BD} , select $\vec{r}_{OD} = 0\hat{i} + 1600\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$

- Finally, apply the moment equation:

$$\vec{M}_O = \vec{r}_{OC} \times \vec{F}_{BC} + \vec{r}_{OD} \times \vec{F}_{BD} \quad \text{cross-product}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{M}_O &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 2000 & 0 & 0 \\ 538,3 & -574,2 & 143,5 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ 0 & 1600 & 0 \\ -312,4 & 0 & 249,9 \end{vmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= [-1148400\hat{k} - (-287000\hat{j})] + [399840\hat{i} - (-499840\hat{k})]$$

$$\vec{M}_O = 399840\hat{i} + 287000\hat{j} - 648560\hat{k} \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm}$$

- Need 4 significant figures.

Answer:

$$\vec{M}_O = 399,8\hat{i} + 287,0\hat{j} - 648,6\hat{k} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

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