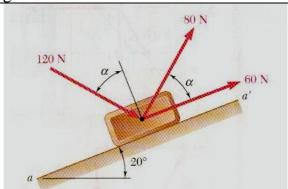
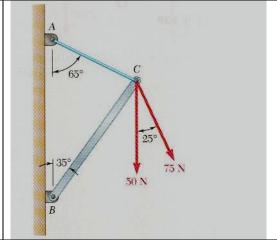
Engineering Mechanics Assignment #2

1) Knowing $\alpha=40^{\circ}$, determine the resultant of the three forces shown using rectangular components



- 2) Determine using rectangular components
- a) the required tension in cable AC, knowing that the resultant of the three forces exerted at point C of the boom BC must be directed along BC,
- (b) the corresponding magnitude of the resultant.



- 3) In Question (1) determine using rectangular components:
- a) the required value of α if the resultant of the three forces shown is to be parallel to the incline; and, b) the magnitude of the resultant.

BONUS

A mass, m, is suspended from a circular ring that is attached to supports by cables AB and AC as shown in the figure. The force in cable AB is $F_{AB} = -500i + 200j$ N.

Knowing that the point A is in equilibrium, determine the mass, m and the magnitude of the force in cable AC by each of the following methods:

- a) The graphical method (state the scale that you are using),
- b) Trigonometry method (sine and/or cosine rules), and
- c) Rectangular components.

Note: $g = 9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$

