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DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING**

**CE 201 STATICS**

**First Major Exam**

**Tue. 3/Nov./09  
8:00 p.m. → 10:00 p.m.**

Student Name : Solved by the instructors who put the problems  
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SECTION:

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1	25	
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	

*Good luck !*

Question # 1 (25%)

For the figure shown below:

- 8% a) Express forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  in Cartesian vector forms.
- 8% b) Use the dot product to determine the angle between  $(F_1)$  and  $(F_2)$ .
- 9% c) Use the dot product to determine the projection of  $F_1$  along the line of action of  $F_3$ .

Use the following information for this problem:

$$|\tilde{F}_1| = 200 \text{ N,}$$

$$|\tilde{F}_2| = 100 \text{ N,}$$

$$F_3 = \{80\tilde{i} + 60\tilde{j} - 40\tilde{k}\} \text{ N}$$

1) For  $F_1$

$F_1'$  (on x-y plane)

$$= 200 \cos 60 = 100 \text{ N}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{1x} = 100 \cos 30 \text{ (+ve x)}$$

$$= 86.60 \text{ N}$$

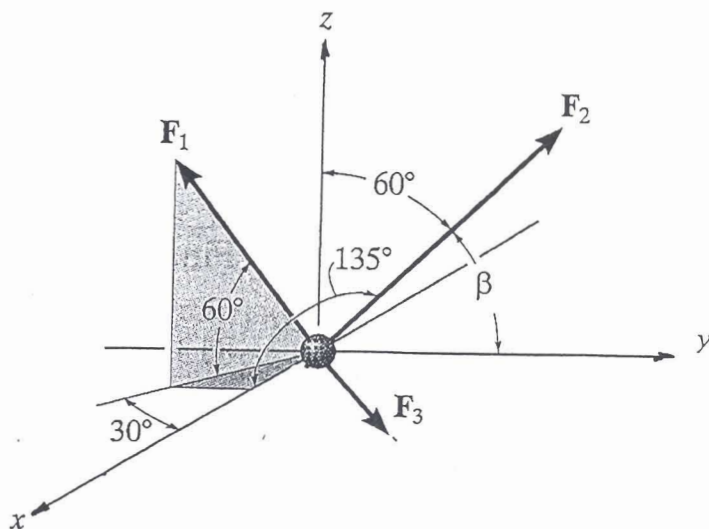
$$F_{1y} = 100 \sin 30 \text{ (-ve y-axis)}$$

$$= 50 \text{ N (-ve y-axis)}$$

$$F_{1z} = 200 \sin 60$$

$$= 173.21 \text{ N}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \Rightarrow \vec{F}_1 = \{86.60 \hat{i} - 50 \hat{j} + 173.21 \hat{k}\} \text{ N}$$



For  $F_2$

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \cos^2 \beta = 1 - \cos^2 \alpha - \cos^2 \gamma$$

$$\cos^2 \beta = 1 - \cos^2 135 - \cos^2 60 \Rightarrow \beta = 60^\circ$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = 100 \text{ N} (\cos 135 \hat{i} + \cos 60 \hat{j} + \cos 60 \hat{k})$$

$$\textcircled{4} = \{ -70.71 \hat{i} + 50 \hat{j} + 50 \hat{k} \} \text{ N}$$

$$b) \cos \theta = \frac{\vec{F}_1 \cdot \vec{F}_2}{F_1 * F_2}$$

$$= \frac{86.60 * -70.71 - 50 * 50 + 173.21 * 50}{200 * 100}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{37.014}{20000} \Rightarrow \theta = 89.89^\circ$$

c) Projection of  $\vec{F}_1$  along the Line of Action of  $\vec{F}_3$

$$\textcircled{1} F_{1 \text{ along } \vec{F}_3} = \vec{F}_1 \cdot \underbrace{\vec{U}}_{F_3} \quad |\vec{F}_3| = 107.70$$

$$\textcircled{2} \vec{U}_{F_3} = \frac{80\hat{i} + 60\hat{j} - 40\hat{k}}{\sqrt{(80)^2 + (60)^2 + (-40)^2}} = \{0.742\hat{i} + 0.556\hat{j} - 0.370\hat{k}\}$$

$$F_{1 \text{ along } \vec{F}_3} = \{86.6 * 0.742 - 50 * 0.556 - 173.21 * 0.370\} \text{ N}$$

$$= -29.80 \text{ N}$$

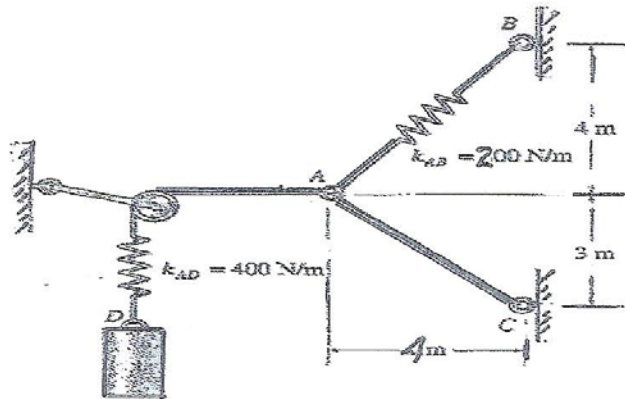
$$\textcircled{3} \text{ or } 20.69\hat{i} - 15.52\hat{j} + 10.35\hat{k}$$

**Problem-2 (25 points)**

Equilibrium has been reached in the cables, pulley, and spring system as shown in the figure below. If the mass  $m_D$ , attached to  $D$  is 20 kg, determine;

- (a) The extension in spring  $AD$ .
- (b) The force in cable  $AC$ ,  $F_{AC}$ .
- (c) The distance between  $A$  and  $B$  before mass,  $m_D$  is added to the system.

Note: Draw appropriate *free-body-diagrams (FBD)* to illustrate and justify your answers.



**Solution:**

① Extension in Spring  $AD$ ;

$$\sum F_y + \uparrow = 0;$$

$$F_{AD} - W_D = 0; \quad F_{AD} = 196.2 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{But } F_{AD} = k_{AD} \Delta_{AD}; \quad \Delta_{AD} = \frac{F_{AD}}{k_{AD}}$$

$$= \frac{196.2 \text{ N}}{400 \text{ N/m}}$$

$$= 0.4905 \text{ m}$$

FBD-I

$$k_{AD} = 200 \text{ N/m}$$



$$W_D = 20 \times 9.81$$

$$= 196.2 \text{ N}$$

② Force in cable  $AC$ ,  $F_{AC}$ ;

From FBD-II:

$$\sum \vec{F}_x = 0;$$

$$-F_{AD} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{AB} + \frac{4}{5} F_{AC} = 0;$$

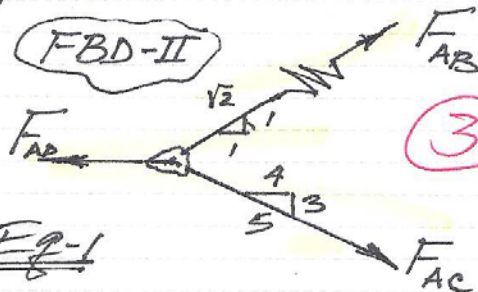
$$-196.2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{AB} + \frac{4}{5} F_{AC} = 0; \quad \underline{\text{Eq-I}}$$

$$\sum F_y + \uparrow = 0;$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{AB} - \frac{3}{5} F_{AC} = 0;$$

$$F_{AB} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} F_{AC} \quad \underline{\text{Eq-II}}$$

FBD-II



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Solution:

Substituting for  $F_{AB}$  in Eq-I;

$$-196.2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} \right) F_{AC} + \frac{4}{5} F_{AC} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{AC} = \underline{140.143 \text{ N}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \\ 3/4 \\ \searrow \end{array} \quad \leftarrow \quad (3)$$

© The distance between A and B before  $M_D$  is added to the system;

We have;  $F_{AB} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} F_{AC} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5} (140.143) \quad (3)$   
 $= \underline{118.915 \text{ N}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \\ \sqrt{2}/5 \\ \searrow \end{array} \quad \leftarrow$

But  $F_{AB} = K_{AB} \Delta_{AB}$

$$\therefore \Delta_{AB} = \frac{F_{AB}}{K_{AB}} = \frac{118.915 \text{ N}}{200 \text{ N/m}} \quad (3)$$

$$= \underline{0.595 \text{ m}} \quad \leftarrow$$

and  $\Delta_{AB} = L_{AB} - L'_{AB} \quad (3)$

where  $L_{AB} = \sqrt{4^2 + 4^2} = \underline{5.657 \text{ m}} \quad (3)$

and  $L'_{AB}$  = distance between A and B before  $M_D$  is added to the system.

$$\therefore L'_{AB} = L_{AB} - \Delta_{AB}$$

$$= 5.657 - 0.595 \quad (3)$$

$$= \underline{5.062 \text{ m}} \quad \leftarrow$$

Question # 3 (25%)

A 200 kg plate is held by three cables (AB, AC & AD) as shown below:

21% A) Set the governing equations for the determination of tensile forces in the three cables.

4% B) Find the tension in these three cables.

PART A 21

$$\vec{T}_{AB} = T_{AB} (\vec{u}_{AB})$$

$$\vec{T}_{AC} = T_{AC} (\vec{u}_{AC})$$

$$\vec{T}_{AD} = T_{AD} (\vec{u}_{AD})$$

$$\vec{u}_{AB} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB}}{|\vec{r}_{AB}|} ; \vec{u}_{AC} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AC}}{|\vec{r}_{AC}|} ; \vec{u}_{AD} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AD}}{|\vec{r}_{AD}|}$$

$$\vec{u}_{AB} = 0.14 \hat{i} - 0.327 \hat{j} - 0.9345 \hat{k} \quad \text{[2]}$$

$$\vec{u}_{AC} = -0.327 \hat{i} - 0.14 \hat{j} - 0.9345 \hat{k} \quad \text{[2]}$$

$$\vec{u}_{AD} = -0.14 \hat{i} + 0.327 \hat{j} - 0.9345 \hat{k} \quad \text{[2]}$$

$$\sum F_x = 0$$

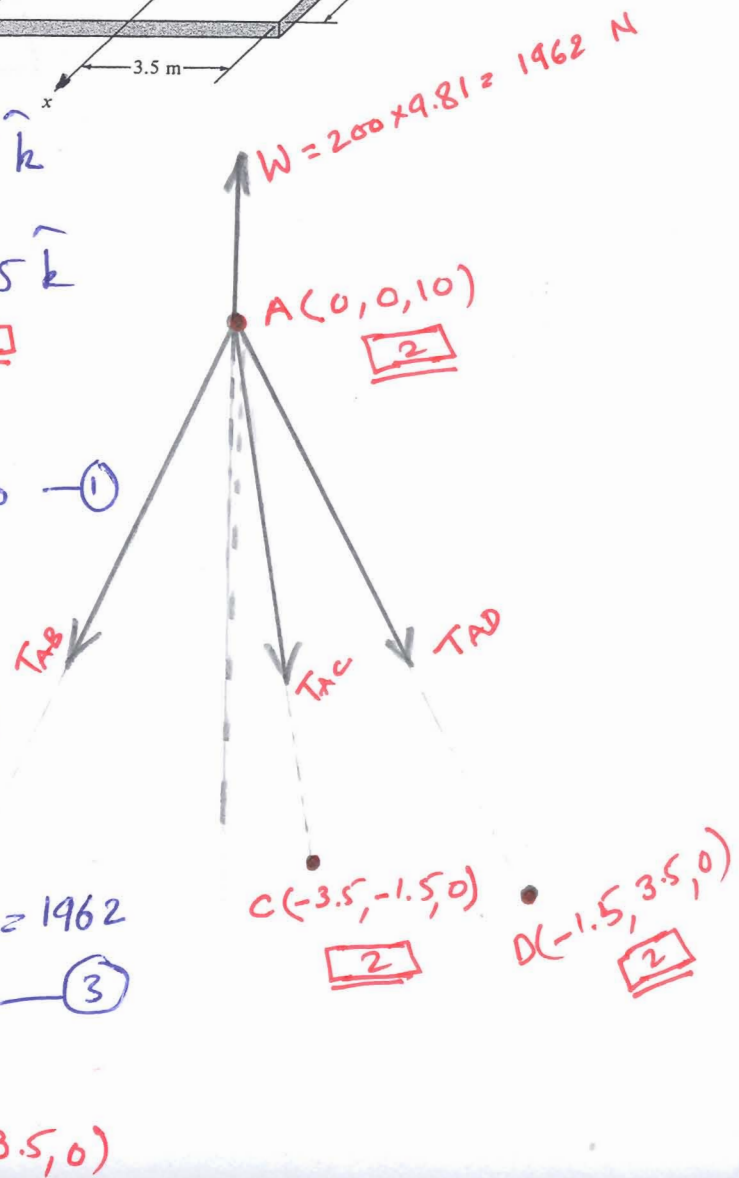
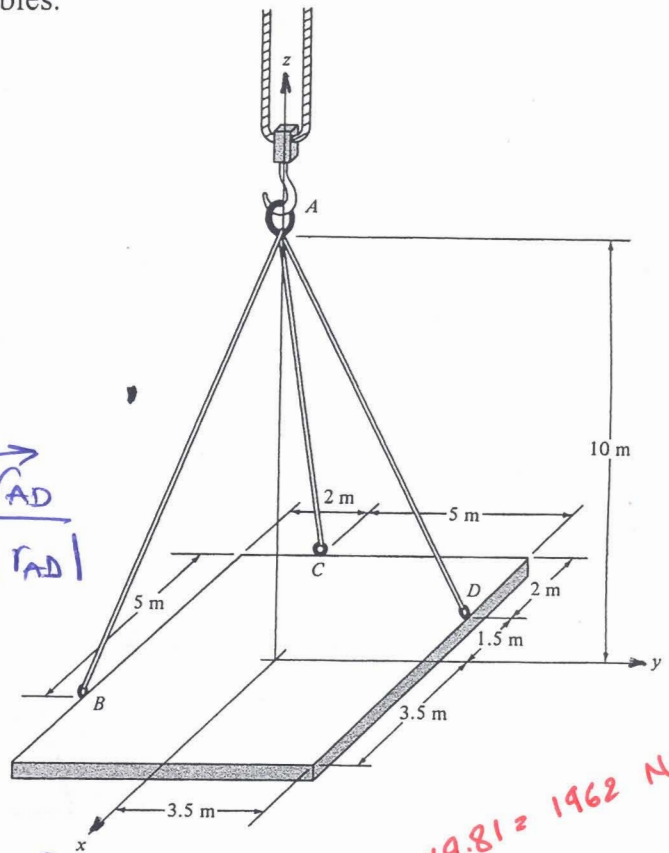
$$0.14 T_{AB} - 0.327 T_{AC} - 0.14 T_{AD} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)} \quad \text{[2]}$$

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$-0.327 T_{AB} - 0.14 T_{AC} + 0.327 T_{AD} = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)} \quad \text{[2]}$$

$$\sum F_z = 0$$

$$+0.9345 T_{AB} + 0.9345 T_{AC} + 0.9345 T_{AD} = 1962 \quad \text{--- (3)} \quad \text{[3]}$$



PART B

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$$0.14 T_{AB} - 0.327 T_{AC} - 0.14 T_{AD} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$-0.327 T_{AB} - 0.14 T_{AC} + 0.327 T_{AD} = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Multiply (1) by 2.336

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$$0.327 T_{AB} - 0.764 T_{AC} - 0.327 T_{AD} = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Add (1) and (3) to get

$$-0.904 T_{AC} = 0$$

$$\therefore T_{AC} = 0 \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

from (1)

$$T_{AB} = T_{AD}$$

Substitute in (3) to get

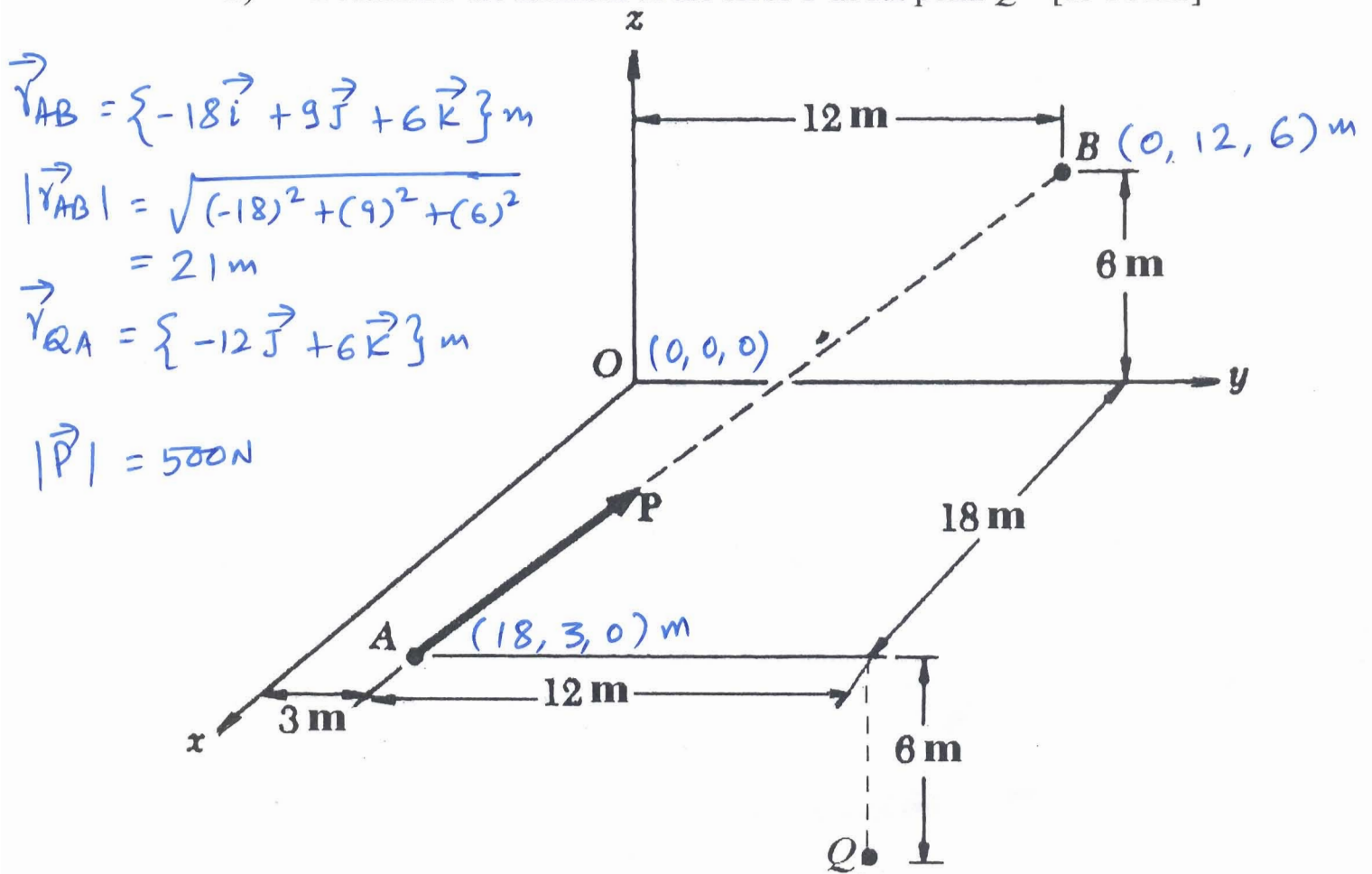
$$T_{AB} = T_{AD} = 1049.7 \approx 1050 \text{ N}$$

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**Problem # 4** (25 points)

A force  $\mathbf{P}$  of magnitude 500 N is acting along a line  $AB$  as shown in Fig. below :

- i) Express the force  $\mathbf{P}$  in Cartesian Vector Form [10 Points]
- ii) Determine the moment of the force  $\mathbf{P}$  about point  $Q$  [15 Points]



$$\vec{r}_{AB} = \{-18\vec{i} + 9\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$|\vec{r}_{AB}| = \sqrt{(-18)^2 + (9)^2 + (6)^2} = 21 \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{r}_{QA} = \{-12\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$|\vec{P}| = 500 \text{ N}$$

$$(i) \vec{P} = |\vec{P}| \frac{\vec{r}_{AB}}{|\vec{r}_{AB}|} = 500 \frac{\{-18\vec{i} + 9\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}\}}{21} = \{-428.57\vec{i} + 214.28\vec{j} + 142.85\vec{k}\} \text{ N}$$

$$= \frac{500}{21} \{-18\vec{i} + 9\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}\} = \{-428.57\vec{i} + 214.28\vec{j} + 142.85\vec{k}\} \text{ N}$$

Ans

$$(ii) \vec{M}_Q = \vec{r}_{QA} \times \vec{P} = \{-12\vec{j} + 6\vec{k}\} \times \{-428.57\vec{i} + 214.28\vec{j} + 142.85\vec{k}\}$$

$$= (-12)(-428.57)(-\vec{k}) + (-12)(142.85)(\vec{i}) + (6)(-428.57)(\vec{j}) + (6)(214.28)(-\vec{i})$$

$$= \{-3000\vec{i} - 2571\vec{j} - 5143\vec{k}\} \text{ N-m}$$

$$|\vec{M}_Q| = \sqrt{(-3000)^2 + (-2571)^2 + (-5143)^2} = 6485 \text{ N-m}$$

Ans