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The mechanical equilibrium requires that both, the net force and the net torque exerted on the bridge should vanish.

if we choose the counterclockwise direction to be (+)
The net torque is equal to:

$$+\circlearrowleft \sum \tau_A = +F_{w_1} l_1 - F_{w_2} l_2 - F_{w_3} l_3 + F_{RB} l_4 = 0$$

where: $l_1 = 15 \text{ m}$, $l_2 = 35 \text{ m}$, $l_3 = 35 + 15 = 50 \text{ m}$

and $l_4 = 35 + 15 + 20 = 70 \text{ m}$

$$F_{w_1} = 8000 \text{ N} \quad F_{w_2} = 20000 \text{ N} \quad F_{w_3} = 8000 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{RB} = \frac{F_{w_2} l_2 + F_{w_3} l_3 - F_{w_1} l_1}{l_4} = \frac{20000 \times 35 + 8000 \times 50 - 8000 \times 15}{70}$$

$$F_{RB} = 14000 \text{ N} = 14 \text{ kN}$$

The net force is:

$$+\uparrow \sum F_y = F_{RA} + F_{RB} - F_{w_1} - F_{w_2} - F_{w_3} = 0$$

$$F_{RA} = F_{w_1} + F_{w_2} + F_{w_3} - F_{RB}$$

$$= 8000 + 8000 + 20000 - 14000$$

$$F_{RA} = 22000 \text{ N} = 22 \text{ kN}$$

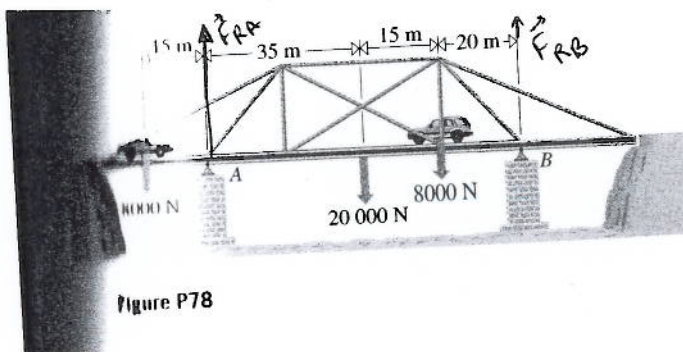


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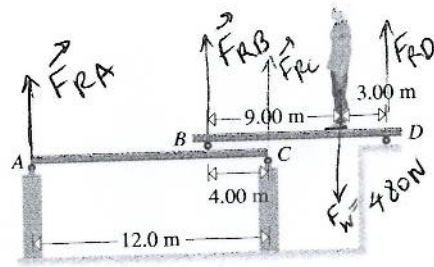


Figure P85

First, balance the forces and torques exerted on the top board.
Set the net torque about point B to be zero.

Counter clock wise is positive

$$\sum \tau_B = -(480 \text{ N})(9 \text{ m}) - F_{RD}(9 + 3) = 0$$

$$F_{RD} = 360 \text{ N}$$

Now set

$$+\uparrow \sum F_y = F_{RB} + 360 \text{ N} - 480 \text{ N} = 0$$

$$F_{RB} = 120 \text{ N}$$

For the bottom board:

Set the torque about point A.

$$+\circlearrowleft \sum \tau_A = -\underbrace{(120 \text{ N})}_{F_{RB}}(12 - 4) - F_{RC}(12) = 0$$

$$F_{RC} = 80 \text{ N}$$

Now set:

$$+\uparrow \sum F_y = F_{RA} + \underbrace{80 \text{ N}}_{F_{RC}} - \underbrace{120 \text{ N}}_{F_{RB}} = 0$$

$$F_{RA} = 40 \text{ N}$$

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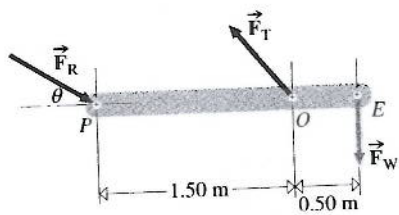
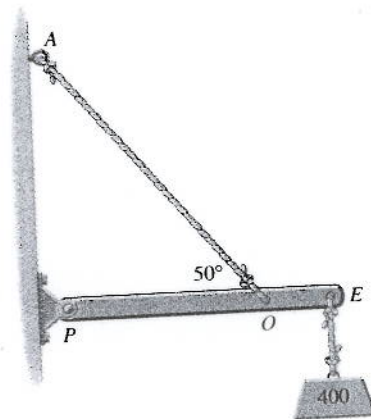


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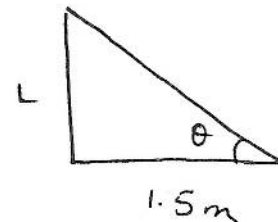


(a)

First consider the torques about point A.

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{L}{1.5} \Rightarrow L = \tan(\theta) \times (1.5)$$

L is the Lever arm of \vec{F}_R



(Note that the vertical component of \vec{F}_R does not produce a torque about point A). Thus.

$$+\circlearrowleft \sum \tau_A = - \underbrace{(400 \text{ N})}_{F_W} (2.0) - F_{R_x} (1.5) (\tan 50^\circ) = 0$$

\uparrow x component of \vec{F}_R

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{F_{R_x} = 0.45 \text{ kN}}$$

Similarly, we set the torque about point O to be zero.

$$+\circlearrowleft \sum \tau_O = -(400 \text{ N})(0.5) - F_{R_y}(1.5 \text{ m}) = 0$$

$$\boxed{F_{R_y} = 0.13 \text{ kN}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_R = (0.45 \hat{i} + 0.13 \hat{j}) \text{ kN}}$$

$$\|\vec{F}_R\| = \sqrt{(0.45)^2 + (0.13)^2} \text{ kN}$$

$$\boxed{\|\vec{F}_R\| = 0.468 \text{ kN}}$$