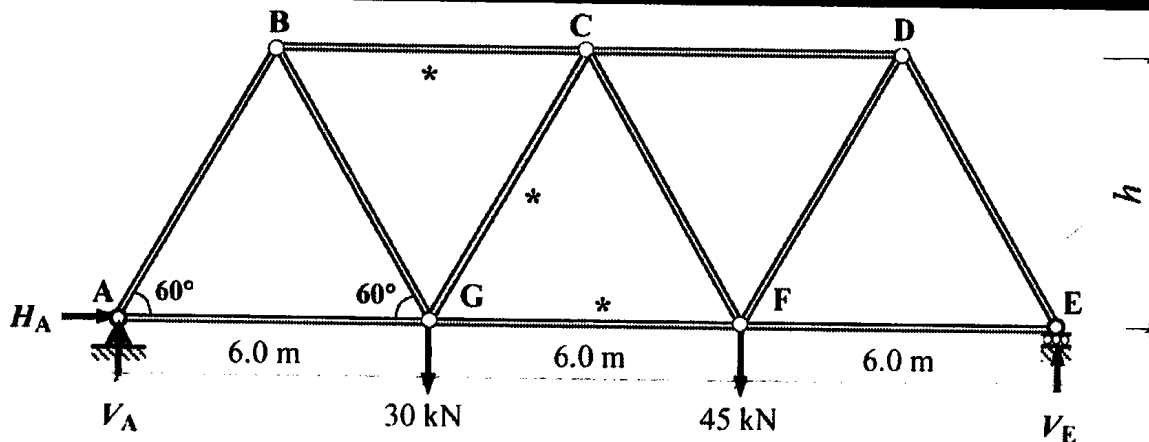


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$$h = (3.0 \times \tan 60^\circ) = 5.196 \text{ m}$$

### Determine the Support Reactions

Consider the rotational equilibrium of the frame:

$$+\text{ve } \curvearrowright \Sigma M_A = 0 \quad + (30 \times 6.0) + (45.0 \times 12.0) - (V_E \times 18.0) = 0 \quad \text{Equation (1)}$$

$$\therefore V_E = + 40.0 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

Consider the horizontal equilibrium of the frame:

$$+\text{ve } \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + H_A = 0 \quad \text{Equation (2)}$$

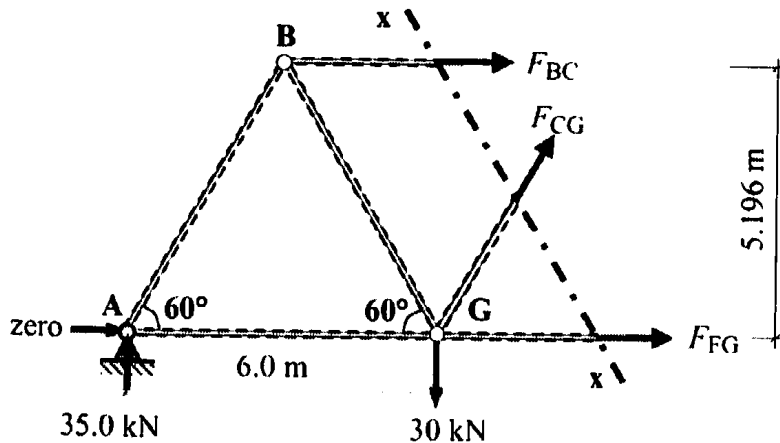
$$\therefore H_A = \text{zero}$$

Consider the vertical equilibrium of the frame:

$$+\text{ve } \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + V_A - 30.0 - 45.0 + V_E = 0 \quad \text{Equation (3)}$$

$$\therefore V_A = + 35.0 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

Consider a section x-x through members BC, CG and FG:



Readers should consider the equilibrium of the right-hand-side of the section x-x and confirm the values for the unknown forces  $F_{BC}$ ,  $F_{CG}$  and  $F_{FG}$ .

$$+\text{ve } \curvearrowright \Sigma M_G = 0 \quad + (35.0 \times 6.0) + (F_{BC} \times 5.196) = 0 \quad \therefore F_{BC} = - 40.42 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$+\text{ve } \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + 35.0 - 30.0 + (F_{CG} \sin 60^\circ) - 0 = 0 \quad \therefore F_{CG} = - 5.77 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$+\text{ve } \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad - 40.42 - 5.77 \cos 60^\circ + F_{FG} = 0 \quad \therefore F_{FG} = + 43.31 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$



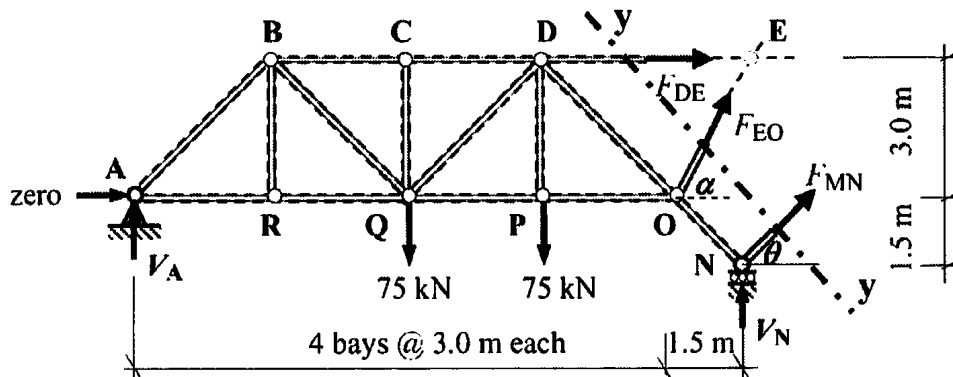
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Consider section y-y through members DE, EO and MN.



$$L_{EO} = \sqrt{1.5^2 + 3.0^2} = 3.354 \text{ m}$$

$$\sin \alpha = 3.0/3.354 = 0.894$$

$$\cos \alpha = 1.5/3.354 = 0.447$$

$$+ve \curvearrowright \Sigma M_E = 0$$

$$+(13.5 \times V_A) - (75.0 \times 7.5) - (75.0 \times 4.5) - (F_{MN} \cos \theta \times 4.5) = 0 \quad \text{Equation (1)}$$

$$+13.5V_A - 900.0 - 3.182F_{MN} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{MN} = +4.243V_A - 282.84$$

**From section x-x:**  $F_{MN} = -0.707V_N$

$$-0.707V_N = +4.243V_A - 282.84$$

$$\therefore V_A = -0.167V_N + 66.66$$

**From Equation (1):**  $V_A = +108.33 - 0.5V_N$

$$-0.167V_N + 66.66 = +108.33 - 0.5V_N$$

$$\therefore V_N = +125.14 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

$$V_A = -(0.167 \times 125.14) + 66.66$$

$$\therefore V_A = +45.76 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

**From Equation (3):**  $V_I = +150.0 - V_A - V_N$

$$V_I = +150.0 - 45.76 - 125.14$$

$$\therefore V_I = -20.9 \text{ kN} \quad \downarrow$$

$$F_{MN} = +(4.243 \times 45.76) - 282.84$$

$$\therefore F_{MN} = -88.68 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0$$

$$+V_A - 75.0 - 75.0 + V_N + (F_{MN} \sin \theta) + (F_{EO} \sin \alpha) = 0$$

$$F_{EO} = [-45.76 + 75.0 + 75.0 - 125.14 - (-88.68 \times 0.707)]/0.894 = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{EO} = +46.75 \text{ kN (Tie)} \quad \longleftrightarrow$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0$$

$$+H_A + F_{DE} + (F_{MN} \cos \theta) + (F_{EO} \cos \alpha) = 0$$

$$F_{DE} = [\text{zero} - (-88.68 \times 0.707) - (46.75 \times 0.447)] = 0$$

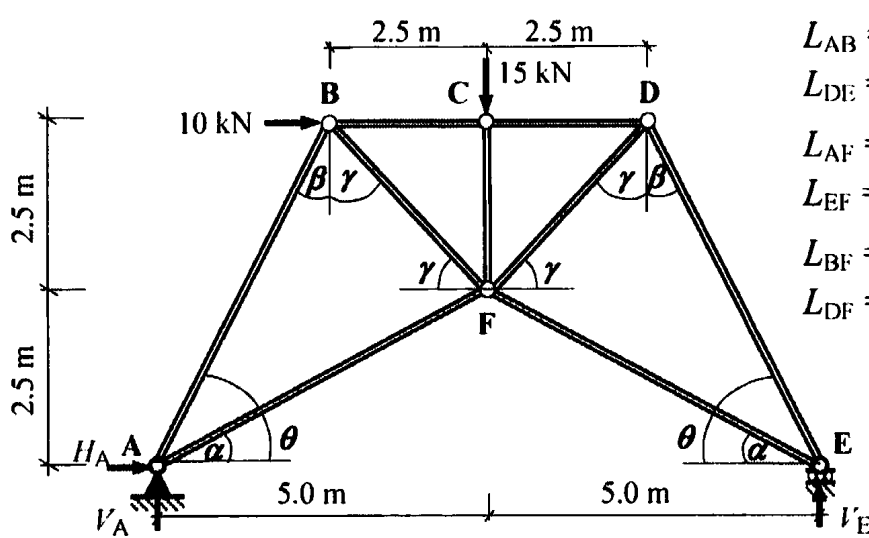
$$\therefore F_{DE} = -41.80 \text{ kN (Tie)} \quad \longleftrightarrow$$

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$$L_{AB} = \sqrt{2.5^2 + 5.0^2} = 5.59 \text{ m}$$

$$L_{DE} = 5.59 \text{ m}$$

$$L_{AF} = \sqrt{5.0^2 + 2.5^2} = 5.59 \text{ m}$$

$$L_{EF} = 5.59 \text{ m}$$

$$L_{BF} = \sqrt{2.5^2 + 2.5^2} = 3.536 \text{ m}$$

$$L_{DF} = 3.536 \text{ m}$$

### Determine the Support Reactions

Consider the rotational equilibrium of the frame:

$$+ve \curvearrowright \Sigma M_A = 0 \quad + (10.0 \times 5.0) + (15.0 \times 5.0) - (V_E \times 10.0) = 0 \quad \text{Equation (1)}$$

$$\therefore V_E = + 12.5 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

Consider the horizontal equilibrium of the frame:

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + H_A + 10.0 = 0$$

$$\text{Equation (2)}$$

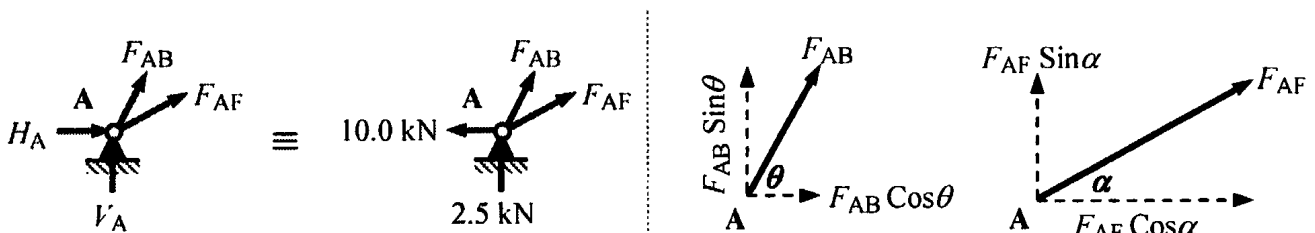
$$\therefore H_A = - 10.0 \text{ kN} \quad \leftarrow$$

Consider the vertical equilibrium of the frame:

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + V_A - 15.0 + V_E = 0 \quad \therefore V_A = 15.0 - V_E \quad \text{Equation (3)}$$

$$V_A = 15.0 - 12.5 \quad \therefore V_A = + 2.5 \text{ kN} \quad \uparrow$$

### Consider joint A:



$$\sin \theta = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$\cos \theta = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\sin \alpha = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\cos \alpha = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad - 10.0 + F_{AB} \cos \theta + F_{AF} \cos \alpha = 0 \quad \text{Equation (a)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + 2.5 + F_{AB} \sin \theta + F_{AF} \sin \alpha = 0 \quad \text{Equation (b)}$$

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From Equation (a):

$$F_{AB} = [+10.0 - (F_{AF} \times 0.894)] / 0.447$$

$$\therefore F_{AB} = + 22.371 - 2.0F_{AF}$$

Substitute for  $F_{AB}$  in Equation (b)

$$+ 2.5 + (22.371 - 2.0F_{AF}) \sin \theta + F_{AF} \sin \alpha = 0$$

$$+ 2.5 + [(22.371 \times 0.894) - (2.0F_{AF} \times 0.894) + (F_{AF} \times 0.447)] = 0$$

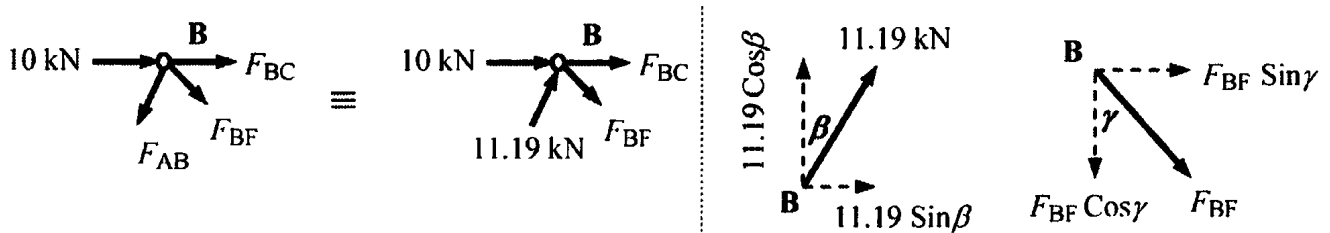
$$+ 22.5 - 1.341F_{AF} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{AF} = + 16.78 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$

$$F_{AB} = + 22.371 - (2.0 \times 16.78)$$

$$\therefore F_{AB} = - 11.19 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

**Consider joint B:**



$$\sin \beta = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\cos \beta = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$\sin \gamma = (2.5/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$\cos \gamma = (2.5/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + 10.0 + 11.19 \sin \beta + F_{BF} \sin \gamma + F_{BC} = 0 \quad \text{Equation (a)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + 11.19 \cos \beta - F_{BF} \cos \gamma = 0 \quad \text{Equation (b)}$$

From Equation (b):

$$F_{BF} = + (11.19 \cos \beta / \cos \gamma) = + [(11.19 \times 0.894) / 0.707]$$

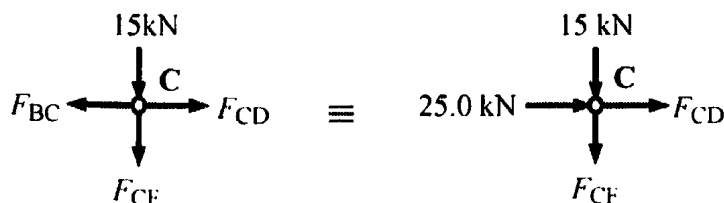
$$\therefore F_{BF} = + 14.15 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$

From Equation (a):

$$F_{BC} = -[10.0 + (11.19 \times 0.447) + (14.15 \times 0.707)]$$

$$\therefore F_{BC} = - 25.0 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

**Consider joint C:**



$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + 25.0 + F_{CD} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{CD} = - 25.0 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad - 15.0 - F_{CF} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{CF} = - 15.0 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

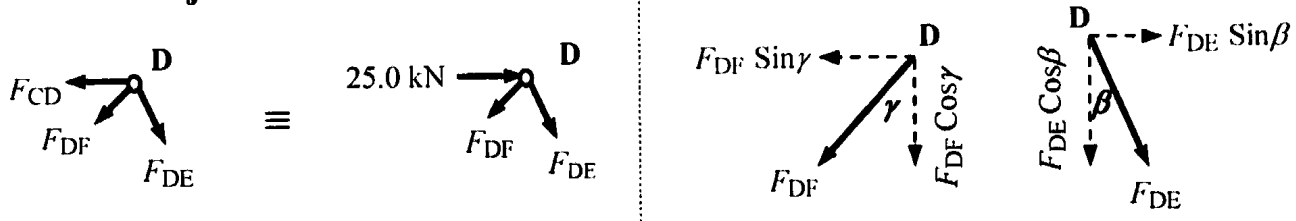
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**Consider joint D:**



$$\sin \beta = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\cos \beta = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$\sin \gamma = (2.5/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$\cos \gamma = (2.5/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + 25.0 - F_{DF} \sin \gamma + F_{DE} \sin \beta = 0 \quad \text{Equation (a)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad - F_{DF} \cos \gamma - F_{DE} \cos \beta = 0 \quad \text{Equation (b)}$$

From Equation (a):

$$F_{DE} = [-25.0 + (F_{DF} \times 0.707)] / 0.447 \quad \therefore F_{DE} = -55.928 + 1.582 F_{DF}$$

Substitute for  $F_{DE}$  in Equation (b)

$$- F_{DF} \cos \gamma - F_{DE} \cos \beta = 0$$

$$- (F_{DF} \times 0.707) - [(-55.928 + 1.582 F_{DF}) \times 0.894] = 0$$

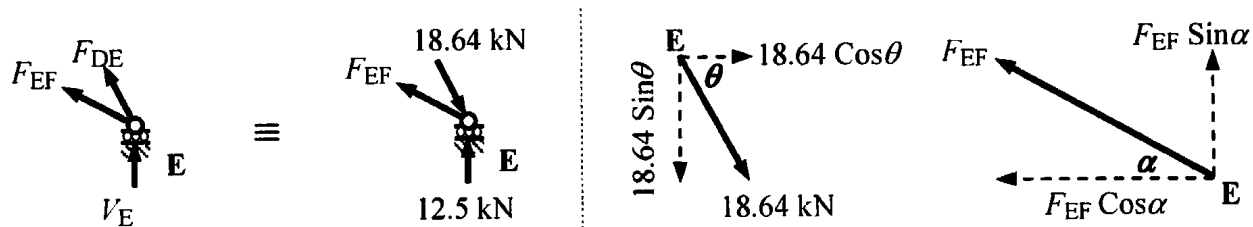
$$+ 50.0 - 2.121 F_{DF} = 0$$

$$\therefore F_{DF} = + 23.57 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$

$$F_{DE} = -55.928 + (1.582 \times 23.57)$$

$$\therefore F_{DE} = - 18.64 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

**Consider joint E:**



$$\sin \theta = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$\cos \theta = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\sin \alpha = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\cos \alpha = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + (18.64 \times \cos \theta) - F_{EF} \cos \alpha = 0$$

$$F_{EF} = + (18.64 \times 0.447) / 0.894$$

$$\therefore F_{EF} = + 9.32 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$

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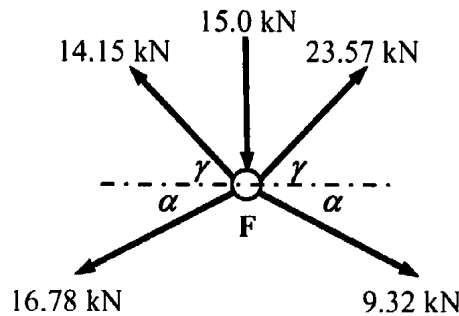
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The values obtained above can be checked by confirming the horizontal and vertical equilibrium at joint F as follows:

**Joint F:**



$$\text{Sin } \gamma = (2.5/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$\text{Cos } \gamma = (5.0/3.536) = 0.707$$

$$\text{Sin } \alpha = (2.5/5.59) = 0.447$$

$$\text{Cos } \alpha = (5.0/5.59) = 0.894$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x$$

$$= -16.78 \text{ Cos } \alpha - 14.15 \text{ Cos } \gamma + 9.32 \text{ Cos } \alpha + 23.57 \text{ Cos } \gamma$$

$$= -(16.78 \times 0.894) - (14.15 \times 0.707) + (9.32 \times 0.894) + (23.57 \times 0.707)$$

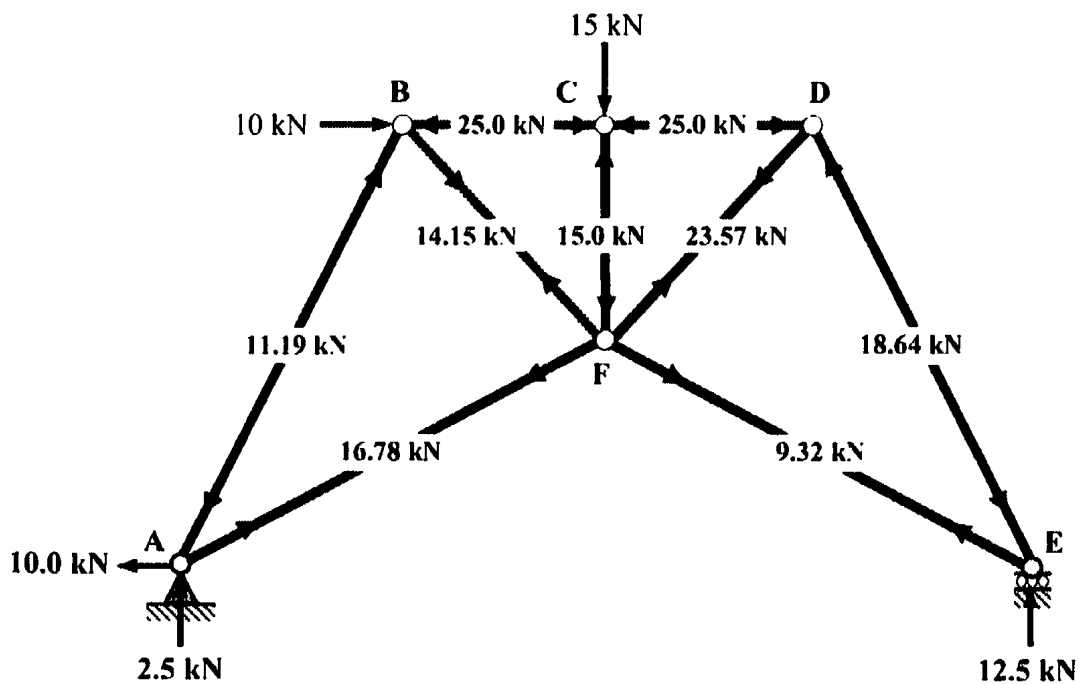
$$= \text{zero}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0$$

$$= -16.78 \text{ Sin } \alpha + 14.15 \text{ Sin } \gamma - 9.32 \text{ Sin } \alpha + 23.57 \text{ Sin } \gamma - 15.0$$

$$= -(16.78 \times 0.447) + (14.15 \times 0.707) - (9.32 \times 0.447) + (23.57 \times 0.707) - 15.0$$

$$= \text{zero}$$

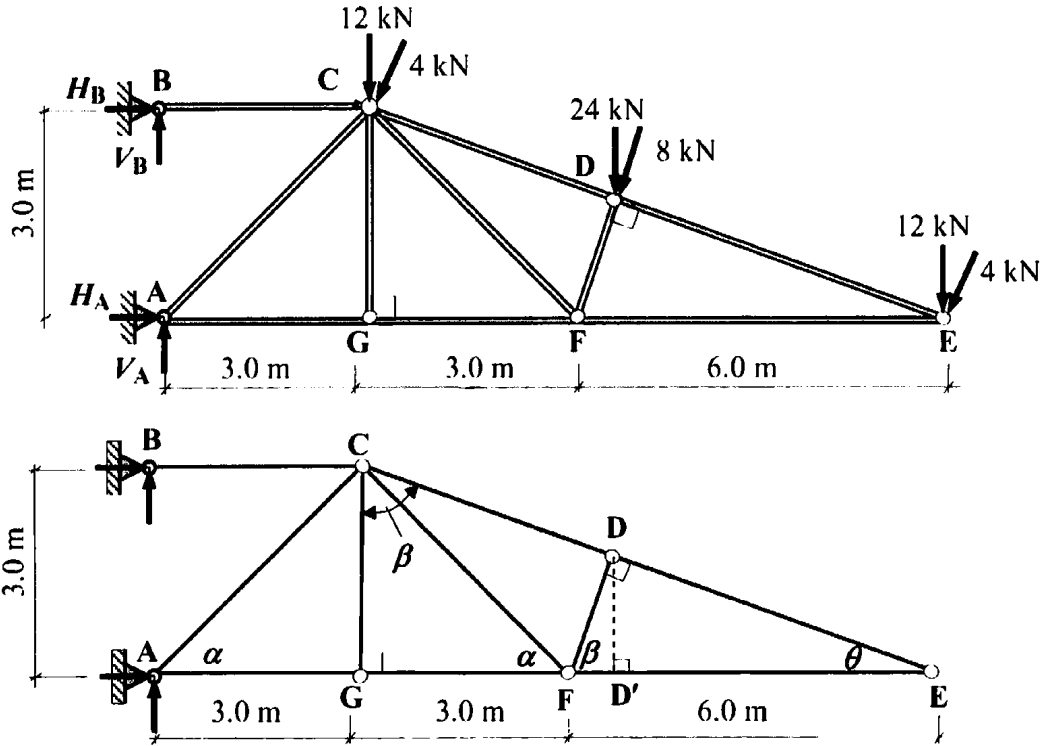


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$$L_{CE} = \sqrt{3.0^2 + 9.0^2} = 9.487 \text{ m}; \quad L_{AC} = L_{CF} = \sqrt{3.0^2 + 3.0^2} = 4.243 \text{ m}$$

Consider triangle CEG:

$$\sin \theta = (3.0/9.487) = 0.316; \quad \cos \theta = (9.0/9.487) = 0.949$$

$$\sin \beta = (9.0/9.487) = 0.949; \quad \cos \beta = (3.0/9.487) = 0.316$$

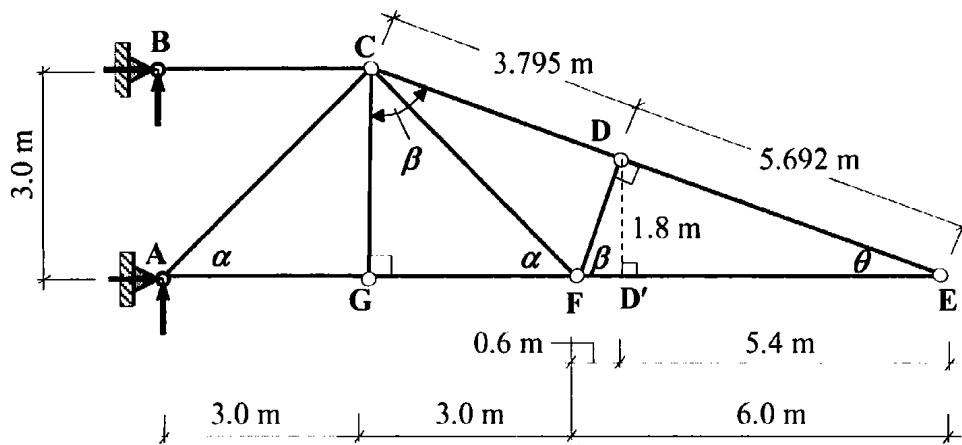
Consider triangle DEF:

$$\sin \beta = (L_{DE}/L_{EF}) \quad \therefore L_{DE} = L_{EF} \sin \beta = (6.0 \times 0.949) = 5.692 \text{ m}$$

Consider triangle DED':

$$\sin \theta = (L_{DD'}/L_{DE}) \quad \therefore L_{DD'} = L_{DE} \sin \theta = (5.692 \times 0.316) = 1.8 \text{ m}$$

$$\cos \theta = (L_{ED'}/L_{DE}) \quad \therefore L_{ED'} = L_{DE} \cos \theta = (5.692 \times 0.949) = 5.4 \text{ m}$$







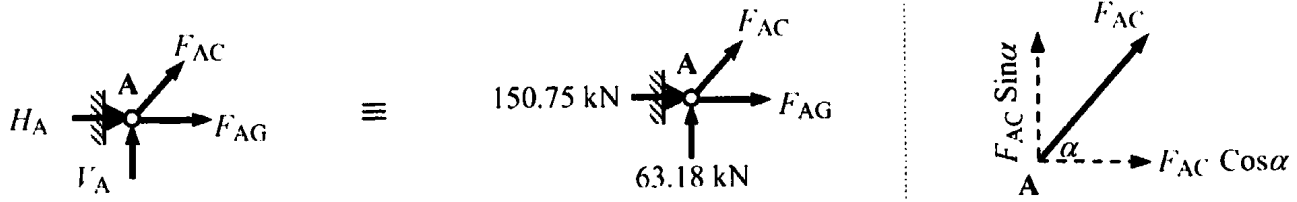
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**Consider joint A:**



$$\sin \alpha = (3.0/4.243) = 0.707 \quad \cos \alpha = (3.0/4.243) = 0.707$$

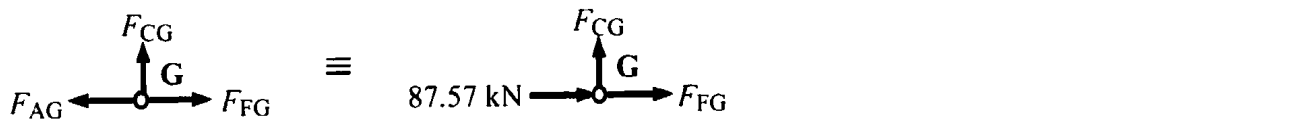
$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + 150.75 + F_{AC} \cos \alpha + F_{AG} = 0 \quad \text{Equation (a)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + 63.18 + F_{AC} \sin \alpha = 0 \quad \text{Equation (b)}$$

$$\text{From Equation (b): } F_{AC} = - (63.18/0.707) = 0 \quad \therefore F_{AC} = - 89.36 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$\text{From Equation (a): } F_{AG} = - 150.75 - (- 89.36 \times 0.707) \quad \therefore F_{AG} = - 87.57 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

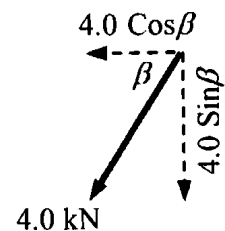
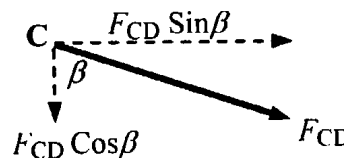
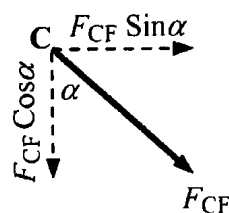
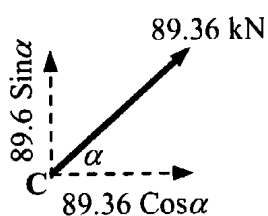
**Consider joint G:**



$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0 \quad + 87.57 + F_{FG} = 0 \quad \therefore F_{FG} = - 87.57 \text{ kN (Strut)}$$

$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad + F_{CG} = 0 \quad \therefore F_{CG} = \text{zero member}$$

**Consider joint C:**



$$\sin \alpha = (3.0/4.243) = 0.707$$

$$\cos \alpha = (3.0/4.243) = 0.707$$

$$\sin \beta = (9.0/9.487) = 0.949$$

$$\cos \beta = (3.0/9.487) = 0.316$$

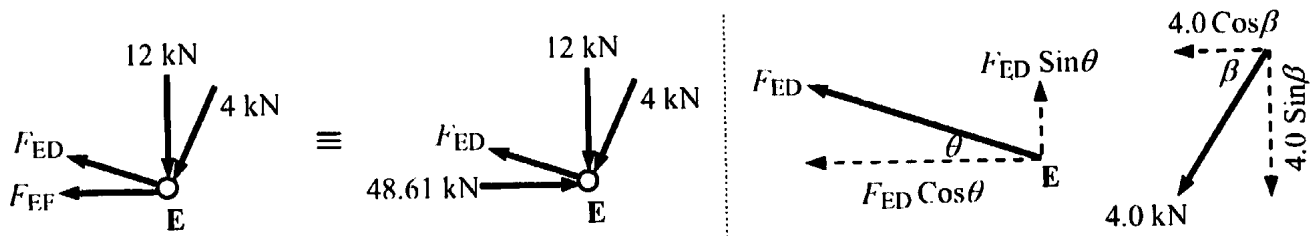


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$$\sin \theta = (3.0/9.487) = 0.316$$

$$\cos \theta = (9.0/9.487) = 0.949$$

$$\sin \beta = (9.0/9.487) = 0.949$$

$$\cos \beta = (3.0/9.487) = 0.316$$

$$+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x$$

$$+ 48.61 - 4.0 \cos \beta - F_{ED} \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_{ED} = [48.61 - (4.0 \times 0.316)]/0.949$$

Equation (a)

$$\therefore F_{ED} = + 49.9 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$

**or**

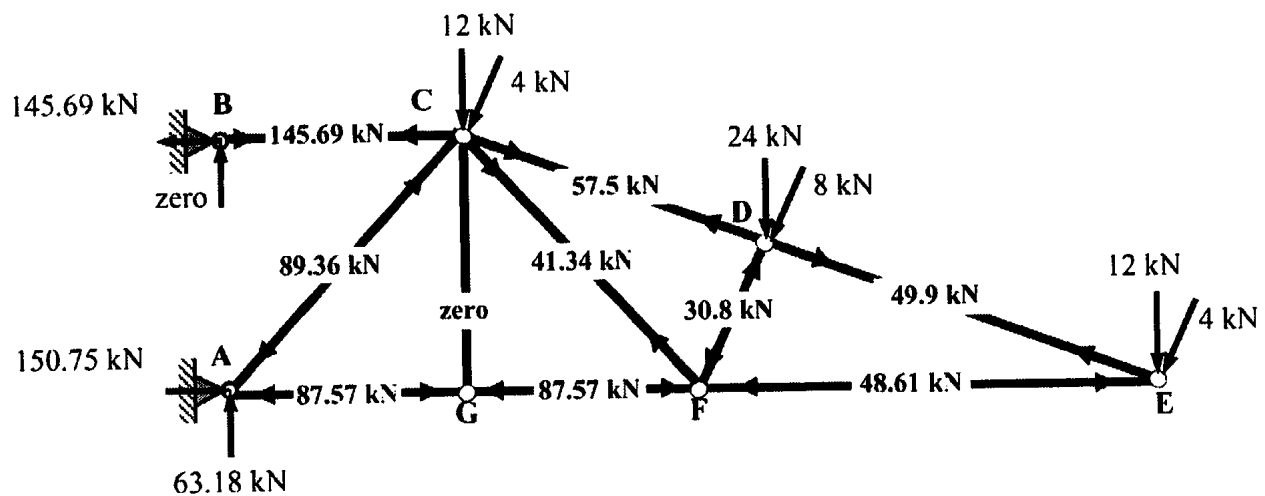
$$+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0$$

$$- 12.0 - 4.0 \sin \beta + F_{ED} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F_{ED} = [12.0 + (4.0 \times 0.949)]/0.316$$

Equation (b)

$$\therefore F_{ED} = + 49.9 \text{ kN (Tie)}$$



The reader should consider the equilibrium of joint D to confirm the calculated values are correct by checking that:  $+ve \rightarrow \Sigma F_x = 0$  and  $+ve \uparrow \Sigma F_y = 0$