

## Homework #5 Solution

**PROBLEM 3.70**

Two 80-N forces are applied as shown to the corners  $B$  and  $D$  of a rectangular plate. (a) Determine the moment of the couple formed by the two forces by resolving each force into horizontal and vertical components and adding the moments of the two resulting couples. (b) Use the result obtained to determine the perpendicular distance between lines  $BE$  and  $DF$ .

**SOLUTION**

(a) Resolving forces into components:

$$P = (80 \text{ N}) \sin 50^\circ = 61.284 \text{ N}$$

$$Q = (80 \text{ N}) \cos 50^\circ = 51.423 \text{ N}$$

$$M = (51.423 \text{ N})(0.5 \text{ m}) - (61.284 \text{ N})(0.3 \text{ m})$$

$$= 7.3263 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

$M = 7.33 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \quad \curvearrowleft$

(b) Distance between lines  $BE$  and  $DF$

$$M = Fd$$

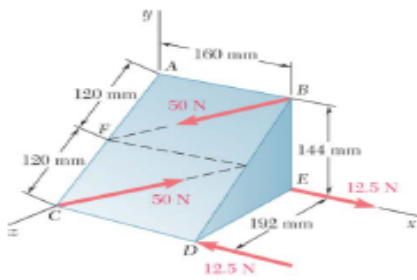
or  $7.3263 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = (80 \text{ N})d$

$$d = 0.091579 \text{ m}$$

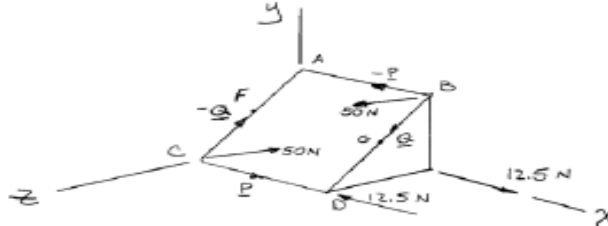
$d = 91.6 \text{ mm} \quad \blacktriangleleft$

### PROBLEM 3.78

Replace the two couples shown with a single equivalent couple, specifying its magnitude and the direction of its axis.



### SOLUTION



Replace the couple in the  $ABCD$  plane with two couples  $P$  and  $Q$  shown:

$$P = (50 \text{ N}) \frac{CD}{CG} = (50 \text{ N}) \left( \frac{160 \text{ mm}}{200 \text{ mm}} \right) = 40 \text{ N}$$

$$Q = (50 \text{ N}) \frac{CF}{CG} = (50 \text{ N}) \left( \frac{120 \text{ mm}}{200 \text{ mm}} \right) = 30 \text{ N}$$

Couple vector  $\mathbf{M}_1$  perpendicular to plane  $ABCD$ :

$$+\circlearrowleft M_1 = (40 \text{ N})(0.24 \text{ m}) - (30 \text{ N})(0.16 \text{ m}) = 4.80 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

Couple vector  $\mathbf{M}_2$  in the  $xy$  plane:

$$+\circlearrowleft M_2 = -(12.5 \text{ N})(0.192 \text{ m}) = -2.40 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

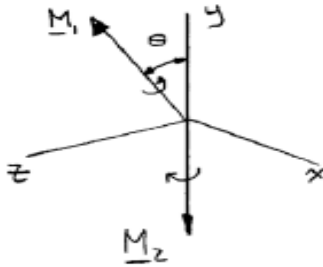
$$\tan \theta = \frac{144 \text{ mm}}{192 \text{ mm}} \quad \theta = 36.870^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = (4.80 \cos 36.870^\circ)\mathbf{j} + (4.80 \sin 36.870^\circ)\mathbf{k} \\ = 3.84\mathbf{j} + 2.88\mathbf{k}$$

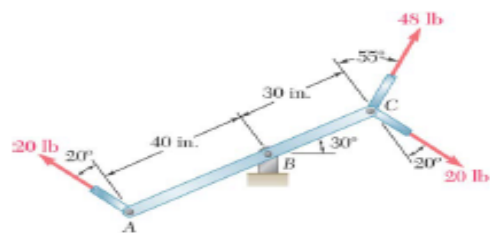
$$\mathbf{M}_2 = -2.40\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}_1 + \mathbf{M}_2 = 1.44\mathbf{j} + 2.88\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = 3.22 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}; \quad \theta_x = 90.0^\circ, \quad \theta_y = 53.1^\circ, \quad \theta_z = 36.9^\circ \quad \blacktriangleleft$$



The angles in the solution are wrong (they don't take into account  $M_2$ ). The correct answer is  $\theta_x=90^\circ$ ,  $\theta_y=63.4^\circ$ ,  $\theta_z=26.6^\circ$



### PROBLEM 3.89

Three control rods attached to a lever  $ABC$  exert on it the forces shown. (a) Replace the three forces with an equivalent force-couple system at  $B$ . (b) Determine the single force that is equivalent to the force-couple system obtained in Part a, and specify its point of application on the lever.

### SOLUTION

- (a) First note that the two 20-lb forces form a couple. Then

$$\mathbf{F} = 48 \text{ lb} \angle \theta$$

where

$$\theta = 180^\circ - (60^\circ + 55^\circ) = 65^\circ$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \Sigma M_B \\ &= (30 \text{ in.})(48 \text{ lb}) \cos 55^\circ - (70 \text{ in.})(20 \text{ lb}) \cos 20^\circ \\ &= -489.62 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in} \end{aligned}$$

The equivalent force-couple system at  $B$  is

$$\mathbf{F} = 48.0 \text{ lb} \angle 65.0^\circ; \quad \mathbf{M} = 490 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.} \curvearrowleft$$

- (b) The single equivalent force  $\mathbf{F}'$  is equal to  $\mathbf{F}$ . Further, since the sense of  $\mathbf{M}$  is clockwise,  $\mathbf{F}'$  must be applied between  $A$  and  $B$ . For equivalence,

$$\Sigma M_B: \quad M = -aF' \cos 55^\circ$$

where  $a$  is the distance from  $B$  to the point of application of  $\mathbf{F}'$ . Then

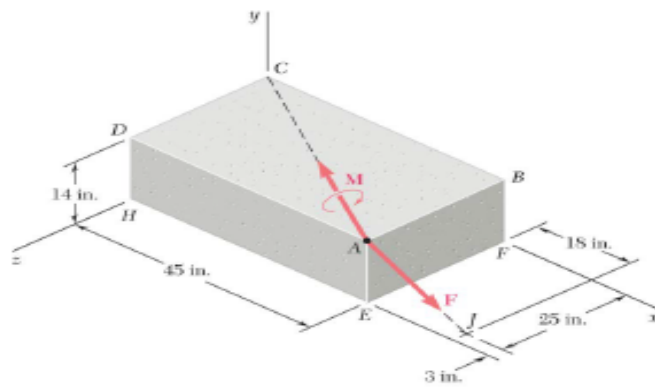
$$-489.62 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.} = -a(48.0 \text{ lb}) \cos 55^\circ$$

or

$$a = 17.78 \text{ in.} \quad \mathbf{F}' = 48.0 \text{ lb} \angle 65.0^\circ \curvearrowleft$$

and is applied to the lever 17.78 in. to the left of pin  $B$   $\curvearrowleft$





### PROBLEM 3.97

A 46-lb force  $\mathbf{F}$  and a 2120-lb-in. couple  $\mathbf{M}$  are applied to corner  $A$  of the block shown. Replace the given force-couple system with an equivalent force-couple system at corner  $H$ .

### SOLUTION

We have 
$$d_{AJ} = \sqrt{(18)^2 + (-14)^2 + (-3)^2} = 23 \text{ in.}$$

Then 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F} &= \frac{46 \text{ lb}}{23} (18\mathbf{i} - 14\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{k}) \\ &= (36 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (28 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (6 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

Also 
$$d_{AC} = \sqrt{(-45)^2 + (0)^2 + (-28)^2} = 53 \text{ in.}$$

Then 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} &= \frac{2120 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.}}{53} (-45\mathbf{i} - 28\mathbf{k}) \\ &= -(1800 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{i} - (1120 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

Now 
$$\mathbf{M}' = \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{r}_{AH} \times \mathbf{F}$$

where 
$$\mathbf{r}_{AH} = (45 \text{ in.})\mathbf{i} + (14 \text{ in.})\mathbf{j}$$

Then 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}' &= (-1800\mathbf{i} - 1120\mathbf{k}) + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 45 & 14 & 0 \\ 36 & -28 & -6 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-1800\mathbf{i} - 1120\mathbf{k}) + \{ [(14)(-6)]\mathbf{i} + [-(45)(-6)]\mathbf{j} + [(45)(-28) - (14)(36)]\mathbf{k} \} \\ &= (-1800 - 84)\mathbf{i} + (270)\mathbf{j} + (-1120 - 1764)\mathbf{k} \\ &= -(1884 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{i} + (270 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{j} - (2884 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in.})\mathbf{k} \\ &= -(157 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{i} + (22.5 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} - (240 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k} \end{aligned}$$

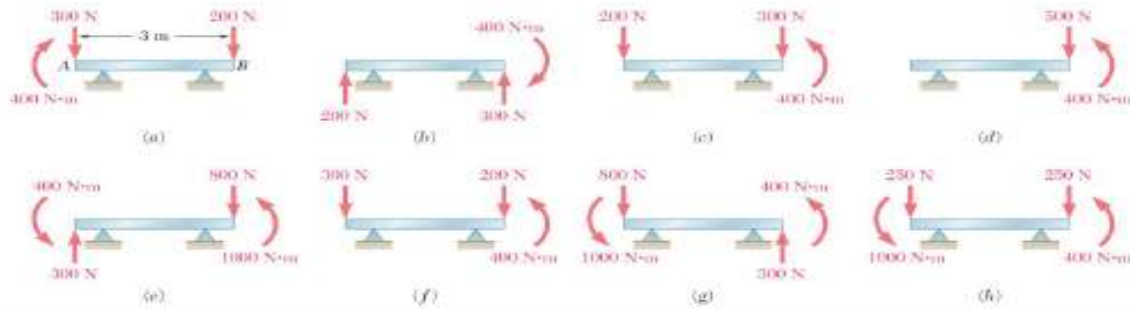
The equivalent force-couple system at  $H$  is

$$\mathbf{F}' = (36.0 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} - (28.0 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} - (6.00 \text{ lb})\mathbf{k} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\mathbf{M}' = -(157.0 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{i} + (22.5 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} - (240 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

### PROBLEM 3.101

A 3-m-long beam is subjected to a variety of loadings. (a) Replace each loading with an equivalent force-couple system at end *A* of the beam. (b) Which of the loadings are equivalent?



### SOLUTION

(a) (a) We have

$$\Sigma F_y: -300 \text{ N} - 200 \text{ N} = R_a$$

and

$$\Sigma M_A: -400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (200 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_a$$

(b) We have

$$\Sigma F_y: 200 \text{ N} + 300 \text{ N} = R_b$$

and

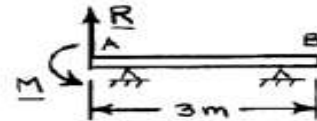
$$\Sigma M_A: -400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} + (300 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_b$$

(c) We have

$$\Sigma F_y: -200 \text{ N} - 300 \text{ N} = R_c$$

and

$$\Sigma M_A: 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (300 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_c$$



$$\text{or } R_a = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{or } M_a = 1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \curvearrowright \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{or } R_b = 500 \text{ N} \uparrow \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{or } M_b = 500 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \curvearrowright \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{or } R_c = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$$

$$\text{or } M_c = 500 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \curvearrowright \blacktriangleleft$$

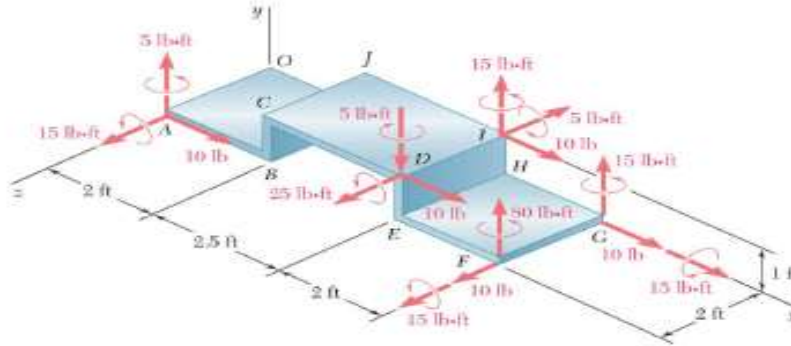
**PROBLEM 3.101 (Continued)**

- (d) We have  $\Sigma F_y: -500 \text{ N} = R_d$  or  $R_d = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$   
and  $\Sigma M_d: 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (500 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_d$  or  $M_d = 1100 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleright \blacktriangleleft$
- (e) We have  $\Sigma F_y: 300 \text{ N} - 800 \text{ N} = R_e$  or  $R_e = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$   
and  $\Sigma M_e: 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} + 1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (800 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_e$  or  $M_e = 1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleright \blacktriangleleft$
- (f) We have  $\Sigma F_y: -300 \text{ N} - 200 \text{ N} = R_f$  or  $R_f = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$   
and  $\Sigma M_f: 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (200 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_f$  or  $M_f = 200 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleright \blacktriangleleft$
- (g) We have  $\Sigma F_y: -800 \text{ N} + 300 \text{ N} = R_g$  or  $R_g = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$   
and  $\Sigma M_g: 1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} + 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} + (300 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_g$  or  $M_g = 2300 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleright \blacktriangleleft$
- (h) We have  $\Sigma F_y: -250 \text{ N} - 250 \text{ N} = R_h$  or  $R_h = 500 \text{ N} \downarrow \blacktriangleleft$   
and  $\Sigma M_h: 1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} + 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - (250 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) = M_h$  or  $M_h = 650 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \blacktriangleright \blacktriangleleft$

(b) Therefore, loadings (a) and (e) are equivalent.

### PROBLEM 3.104

Five separate force-couple systems act at the corners of a piece of sheet metal, which has been bent into the shape shown. Determine which of these systems is equivalent to a force  $\mathbf{F} = (10 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i}$  and a couple of moment  $\mathbf{M} = (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} + (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k}$  located at the origin.



### SOLUTION

First note that the force-couple system at  $F$  cannot be equivalent because of the direction of the force [The force of the other four systems is  $(10 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j}$ ]. Next, move each of the systems to the origin  $O$ ; the forces remain unchanged.

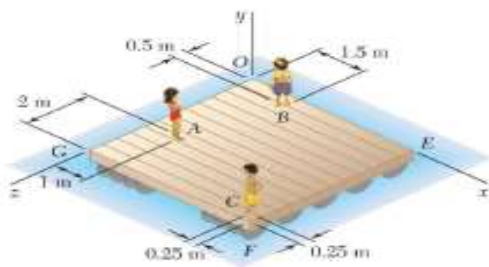
$$A: \mathbf{M}_A = \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O = (5 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} + (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k} + (2 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k} \times (10 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} \\ = (25 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} + (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k}$$

$$D: \mathbf{M}_D = \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O = -(5 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} + (25 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k} \\ + [(4.5 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (1 \text{ ft})\mathbf{j} + (2 \text{ ft})\mathbf{k}] \times (10 \text{ lb})\mathbf{i} \\ = (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{i} + (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k}$$

$$G: \mathbf{M}_G = \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O = (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{i} + (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j}$$

$$I: \mathbf{M}_I = \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O = (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} - (5 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k} \\ + [(4.5 \text{ ft})\mathbf{i} + (1 \text{ ft})\mathbf{j}] \times (10 \text{ lb})\mathbf{j} \\ = (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{j} - (15 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft})\mathbf{k}$$

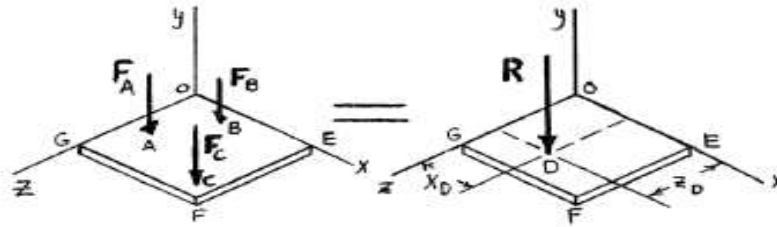
The equivalent force-couple system is the system at corner  $D$ . ◀



### PROBLEM 3.127

Three children are standing on a 5×5-m raft. If the weights of the children at Points *A*, *B*, and *C* are 375 N, 260 N, and 400 N, respectively, determine the magnitude and the point of application of the resultant of the three weights.

### SOLUTION



We have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}: \mathbf{F}_A + \mathbf{F}_B + \mathbf{F}_C = \mathbf{R}$$

$$-(375 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (260 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (400 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{R}$$

$$-(1035 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{R}$$

$$\text{or } R = 1035 \text{ N} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

We have

$$\Sigma M_z: F_A(z_A) + F_B(z_B) + F_C(z_C) = R(z_D)$$

$$(375 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) + (260 \text{ N})(0.5 \text{ m}) + (400 \text{ N})(4.75 \text{ m}) = (1035 \text{ N})(z_D)$$

$$z_D = 3.0483 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } z_D = 3.05 \text{ m} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

We have

$$\Sigma M_x: F_A(x_A) + F_B(x_B) + F_C(x_C) = R(x_D)$$

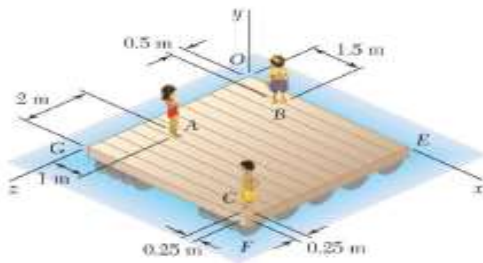
$$375 \text{ N}(1 \text{ m}) + (260 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m}) + (400 \text{ N})(4.75 \text{ m}) = (1035 \text{ N})(x_D)$$

$$x_D = 2.5749 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } x_D = 2.57 \text{ m} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

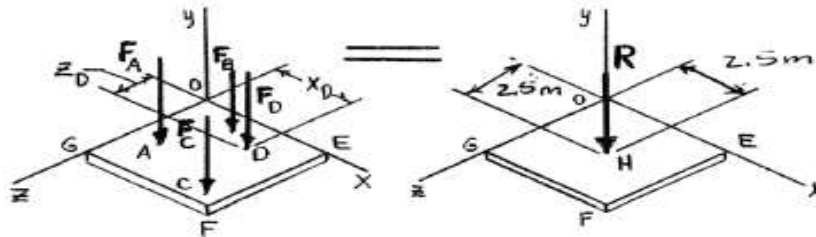


### PROBLEM 3.128



Three children are standing on a  $5 \times 5$ -m raft. The weights of the children at Points  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are  $375 \text{ N}$ ,  $260 \text{ N}$ , and  $400 \text{ N}$ , respectively. If a fourth child of weight  $425 \text{ N}$  climbs onto the raft, determine where she should stand if the other children remain in the positions shown and the line of action of the resultant of the four weights is to pass through the center of the raft.

### SOLUTION



We have

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F}: \mathbf{F}_A + \mathbf{F}_B + \mathbf{F}_C = \mathbf{R}$$

$$-(375 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (260 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (400 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} - (425 \text{ N})\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{R}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = -(1460 \text{ N})\mathbf{j}$$

We have

$$\Sigma M_z: F_A(z_A) + F_B(z_B) + F_C(z_C) + F_D(z_D) = R(z_H)$$

$$(375 \text{ N})(3 \text{ m}) + (260 \text{ N})(0.5 \text{ m}) + (400 \text{ N})(4.75 \text{ m}) \\ + (425 \text{ N})(z_D) = (1460 \text{ N})(2.5 \text{ m})$$

$$z_D = 1.16471 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } z_D = 1.165 \text{ m} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$

We have

$$\Sigma M_x: F_A(x_A) + F_B(x_B) + F_C(x_C) + F_D(x_D) = R(x_H)$$

$$(375 \text{ N})(1 \text{ m}) + (260 \text{ N})(1.5 \text{ m}) + (400 \text{ N})(4.75 \text{ m}) \\ + (425 \text{ N})(x_D) = (1460 \text{ N})(2.5 \text{ m})$$

$$x_D = 2.3235 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{or } x_D = 2.32 \text{ m} \quad \blacktriangleleft$$