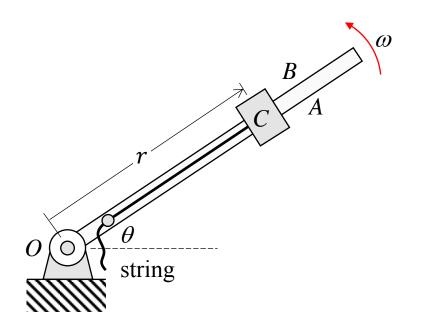
## Homework H.4.A

**Given:** An arm rotates about a vertical axis passing through O at a rate of  $\omega$  with this rotation changing at a rate of  $\dot{\omega}$ . Block C, having a mass of m, slides smoothly over the arm at a rate of  $\dot{r}$  with this sliding motion changing at a rate of  $\ddot{r}$ .

Find: At this instant, determine:

- (a) The tension force in the cord;
- (b) The normal force of the arm on block C;
- (c) Which side of the arm (A or B) that the block makes contact.



Use the following parameters in your analysis: m = 10 kg,  $\omega = 5$  rad/s,  $\dot{\omega} = 2$  rad/s<sup>2</sup>, r = 0.3 m,  $\dot{r} = -0.6$  m/s and  $\ddot{r} = 0$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.