

ME 323: Mechanics of Materials	Homework Set 1
Fall 2023	Due: Friday, September 1

Problem 1 (10 points)

The frame OABC is attached to the wall at two points O (fixed directly to the wall) and C (through cable CD). The force W is acting on the frame at point B in the negative y direction and the tension force in cable CD is $T = W/2$. For this frame:

- Calculate the internal resultants, i.e. forces and moments developed at the cross-section H (on the negative z face).
- Does the internal resultant force vary along the line segment OA? What about along line segment AB?

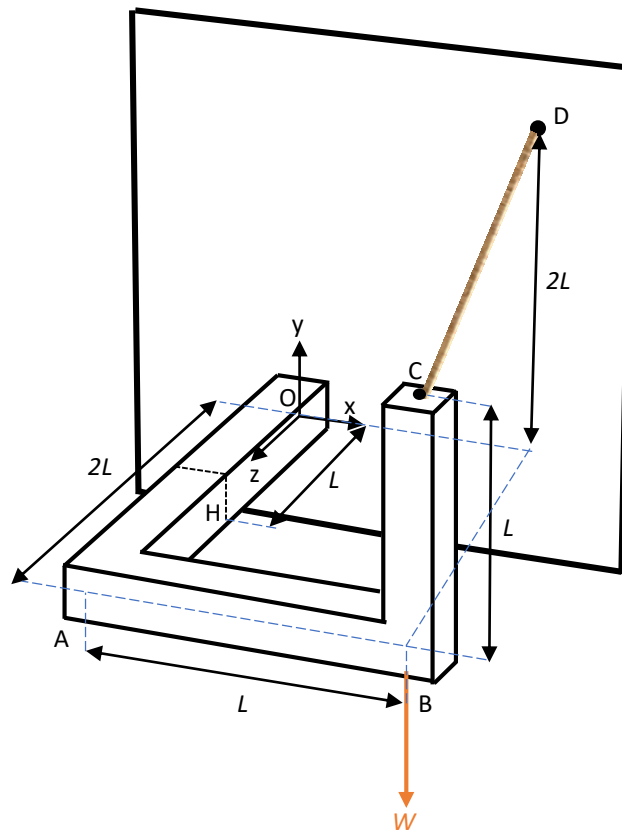


Fig 1

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Problem 2 (10 points)

Frame assembly is subject to the loading as shown in Fig 2. The bars ABC and BD are rigid and the connections at A, B, and D are pin joints.

- Determine the magnitude of the internal shear forces in the pin joints and identify the pin that carries the maximum magnitude load.
- If the area and the shear strength of each pin is A and τ , respectively, then express the maximum value of P possible without failure in terms of τ and A . Assume that pins B and D are double-sided and the pin A is single-sided in your calculations.

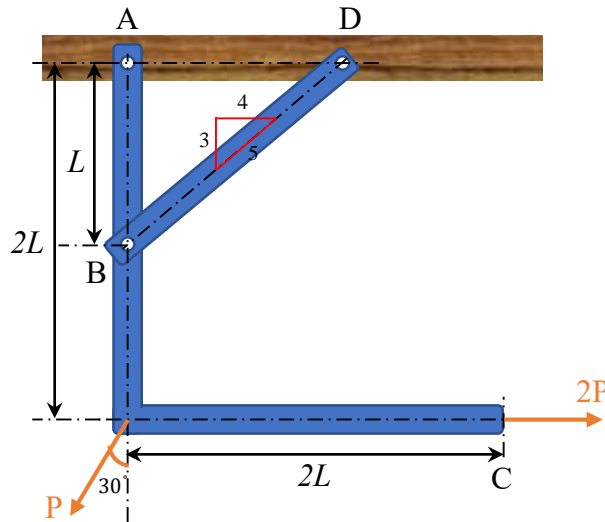


Fig 2

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Problem 3 (10 points)

Two wooden blocks of identical square cross section (10 mm x 10 mm) are glued together along the plane BC as shown in Fig 3.

- Assuming that the glue can withstand a maximum shear stress of 15,000 Pa, calculate the maximum force P that can be applied at the glued section.
- A new glue was tested which can withstand a maximum normal stress of 8,000 Pa and a maximum shear stress of 5600 Pa. What is the maximum force that can be applied?

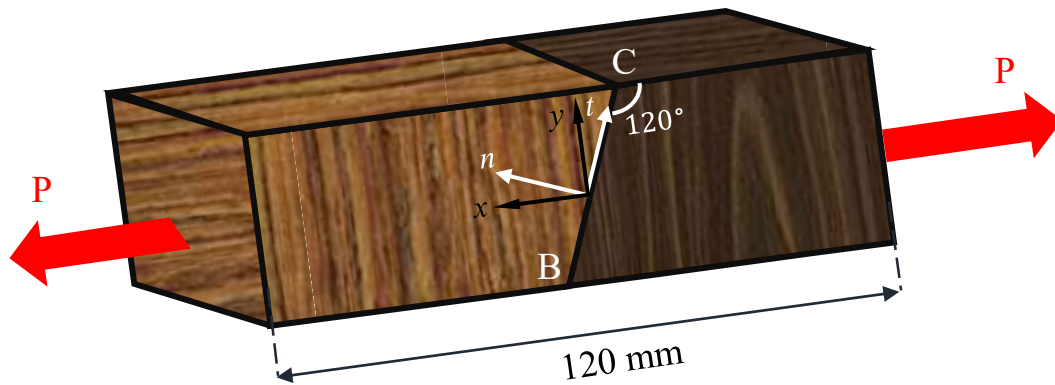


Fig 3

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Problem 4 (Conceptual) (5 points)

Bar ABC is supported by a pin joint at point A and loaded by force P at point C. Bar ABC is also connected to bar BD via a pin joint at B which in turn is supported by a pin joint at D. Bar BD is oriented along the y axis.

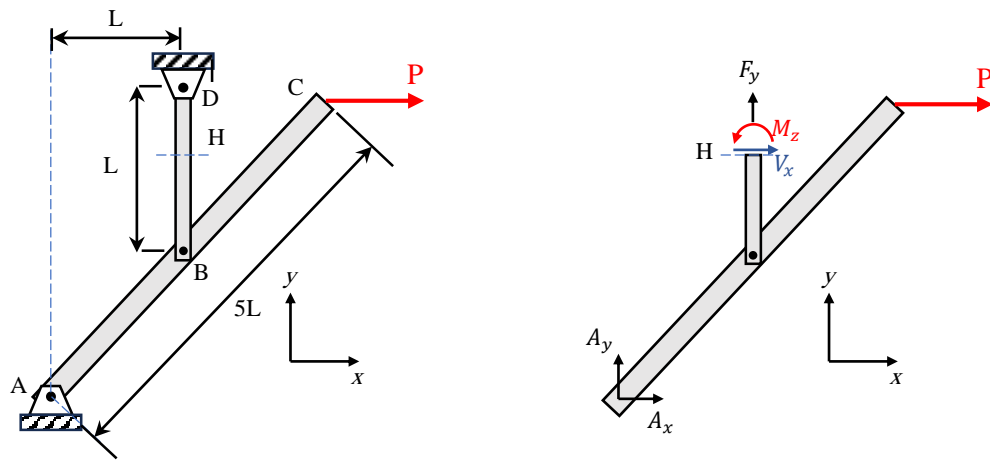


Fig 4

Select the zero internal resultant(s) at cut section H.

- (a) Normal force F_y
- (b) Shear force V_x
- (c) Bending moment M_z
- (d) All internal resultants are non-zero