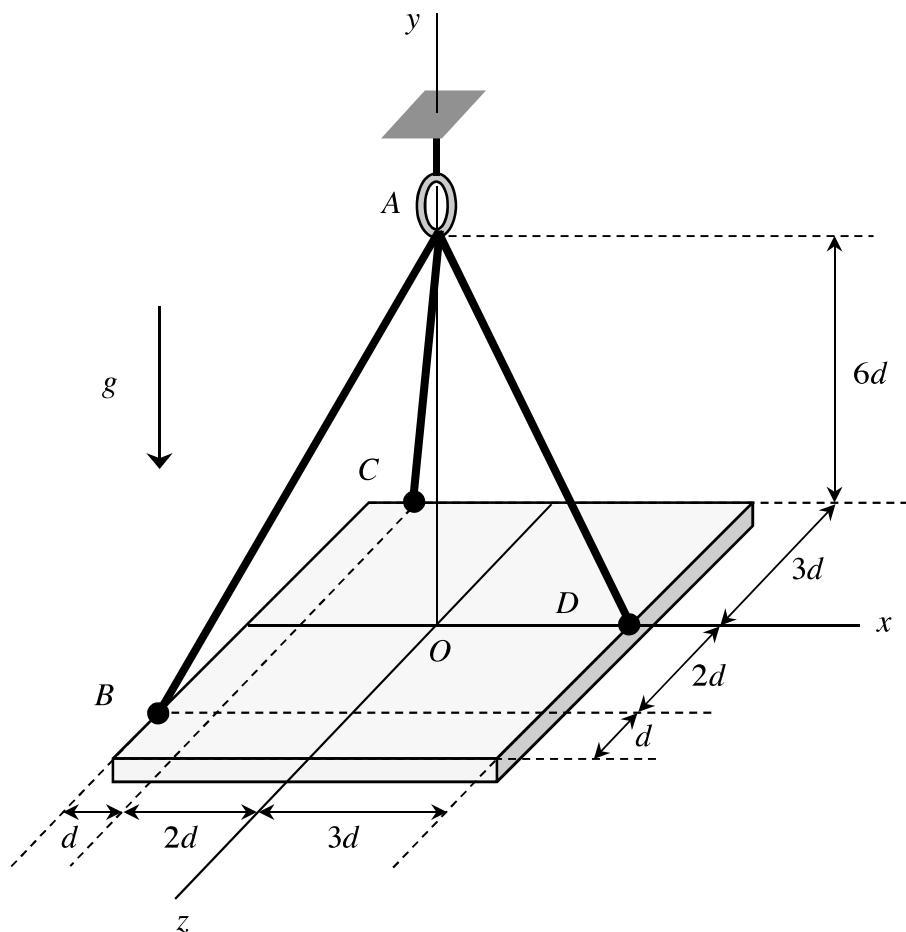


Homework H5.A

Given: A homogenous plate, having weight of W and its center of mass at point O, is supported by three cables: AB, AC and AD. The plate center of mass O is directly below the support ring A. Each cable is capable of carrying a maximum tensile load of T_{\max} without failure.

Find:

- a) Determine the tension in each cable in terms of the plate weight W .
- b) Which cable carries the largest tension?
- c) Determine the numerical value of the maximum plate weight that can be supported without failure. Express your answer in terms of T_{\max} .



Homework H5.B

Given: A light fixture, having weight of W , is supported by three cables: CA, CB and CD.

Find: Determine the tension in each cable. Leave your answers in terms of the light fixture weight W .

