

Statics Review

Two-Force Member

Calculate the External Reactions

$\sum M_B = 0$
 $-\frac{5}{11.18} R_A (10) + 100(4) = 0$
 $R_A = +89.44 \text{ lb}$ ↗
as shown

$\sum F_x = 0$
 $-\frac{10}{11.18} R_A + B_x = 0$
 $B_x = 80 \text{ lb}$ →
as shown

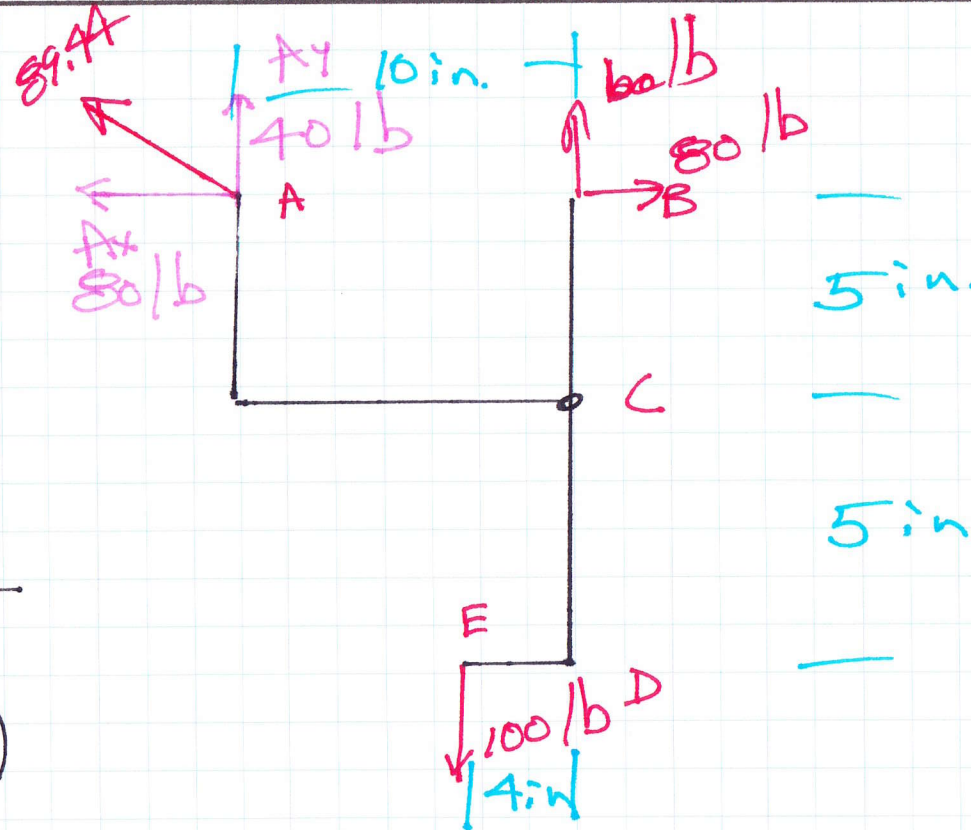
$\sum F_y = 0$
 $A_y + B_y - 100 = 0$
 $\frac{5}{11.18} R_A + B_y - 100 = 0$
 $B_y = +100 \text{ lb}$ ↑ as shown

$$A_x = \frac{10}{11.18} (89.44)$$

$$A_x = 80 \text{ lb} \leftarrow$$

$$A_y = \frac{5}{11.18} (89.44)$$

$$A_y = 40 \text{ lb} \uparrow$$



Summary Sketch

Basic Steps to Solving a Statics Problem

Examine the problem

Identify the Support Conditions
Special Conditions

Set up Consistent Units

Draw Free Body Diagram

Rough Sketch

Indicate unknown forces and reactions

Indicate known forces and reactions

Indicate a sign convention

Dimensions



Formulate Equations

Scalar Equations of Equilibrium
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$$\sum F_x = 0$$

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$\sum M_z = 0$$

Equations of Condition

z-force Members
internal hinges

Solve the Equations

Brute force Approach

Intuitive Approach - work your way through without having to use simultaneous equations.

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