

GNG 1105
ENGINEERING MECHANICS

Mid-term exam
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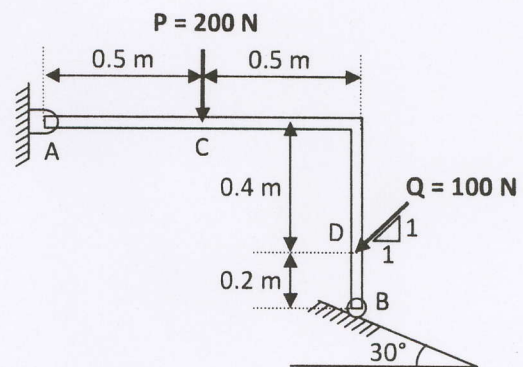
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Closed book examination. Only non-programmable calculators are allowed.

Question 1. An L-shaped bracket AB is being acted upon by forces $P = 200 \text{ N}$ and $Q = 100 \text{ N}$ as shown. It is being held in place by a pin joint at A and a roller at B.

- Draw the Free-Body-Diagram of this bracket.
- Reduce the forces P and Q into a force-couple system at A.
- Calculate the reactions at A and B.



Question 2. The right-angle boom supports a 4 kN force at point G as shown in the diagram. It is being held in equilibrium by a ball and socket joint at O and by three cables AC, BD, and BE. Note that C, D and E lie in the **vertical x-y plane**.

- Draw the Free-Body-Diagram of this boom.
- Write the tension in the cable AC, BD and BE in vector form.
- Find the reaction in each of the cables AC, BD and BE.

