

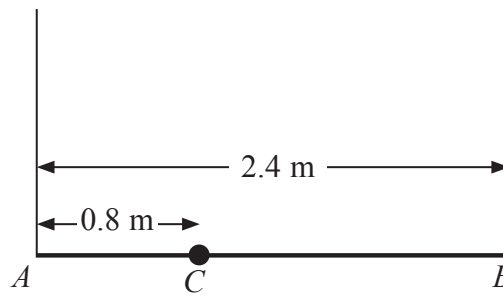
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**Question 5 continued**



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### Figure 2

A plank  $AB$  has mass  $12\text{ kg}$  and length  $2.4\text{ m}$ . A load of mass  $8\text{ kg}$  is attached to the plank at the point  $C$ , where  $AC = 0.8\text{ m}$ . The loaded plank is held in equilibrium, with  $AB$  horizontal, by two vertical ropes, one attached at  $A$  and the other attached at  $B$ , as shown in Figure 2. The plank is modelled as a uniform rod, the load as a particle and the ropes as light inextensible strings.

- (a) Find the tension in the rope attached at  $B$ .

(4)

The plank is now modelled as a non-uniform rod. With the new model, the tension in the rope attached at  $A$  is 10 N greater than the tension in the rope attached at  $B$ .

- (b) Find the distance of the centre of mass of the plank from  $A$ .

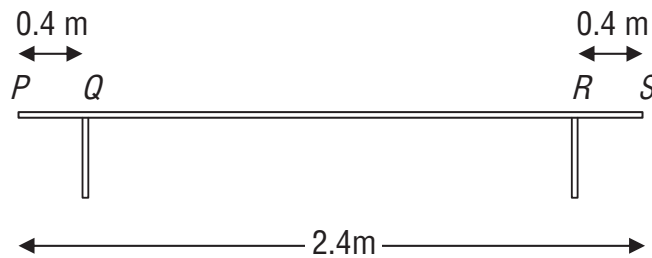
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**Figure 1**

A bench consists of a plank which is resting in a horizontal position on two thin vertical legs. The plank is modelled as a uniform rod  $PS$  of length  $2.4\text{ m}$  and mass  $20\text{ kg}$ . The legs at  $Q$  and  $R$  are  $0.4\text{ m}$  from each end of the plank, as shown in Figure 1.

Two pupils, Arthur and Beatrice, sit on the plank. Arthur has mass  $60\text{ kg}$  and sits at the middle of the plank and Beatrice has mass  $40\text{ kg}$  and sits at the end  $P$ . The plank remains horizontal and in equilibrium. By modelling the pupils as particles, find

- (a) the magnitude of the normal reaction between the plank and the leg at  $Q$  and the magnitude of the normal reaction between the plank and the leg at  $R$ . (7)

Beatrice stays sitting at  $P$  but Arthur now moves and sits on the plank at the point  $X$ . Given that the plank remains horizontal and in equilibrium, and that the magnitude of the normal reaction between the plank and the leg at  $Q$  is now twice the magnitude of the normal reaction between the plank and the leg at  $R$ ,

- (b) find the distance  $QX$ . (6)

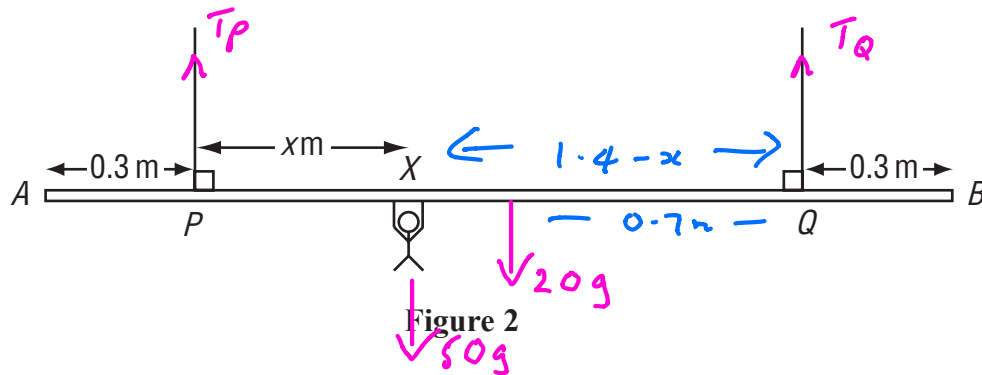


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A beam  $AB$  is supported by two vertical ropes, which are attached to the beam at points  $P$  and  $Q$ , where  $AP = 0.3$  m and  $BQ = 0.3$  m. The beam is modelled as a uniform rod, of length 2 m and mass 20 kg. The ropes are modelled as light inextensible strings. A gymnast of mass 50 kg hangs on the beam between  $P$  and  $Q$ . The gymnast is modelled as a particle attached to the beam at the point  $X$ , where  $PX = x$  m,  $0 < x < 1.4$  as shown in Figure 2. The beam rests in equilibrium in a horizontal position.

- (a) Show that the tension in the rope attached to the beam at  $P$  is  $(588 - 350x)$  N. (3)
- (b) Find, in terms of  $x$ , the tension in the rope attached to the beam at  $Q$ . (3)
- (c) Hence find, justifying your answer carefully, the range of values of the tension which could occur in each rope. (3)

Given that the tension in the rope attached at  $Q$  is three times the tension in the rope attached at  $P$ ,

- (d) find the value of  $x$ . (3)

a) *Mon about Q*

$$T_P \times 1.4 = 20g \times 0.7 + 50g \times (1.4 - x)$$

$$T_P = \frac{20 \times 9.8 \times 0.7 + 50 \times 9.8 (1.4 - x)}{1.4}$$

$$T_P = \frac{137.2 + 686 - 490x}{1.4}$$

$$T_P = 588 - 350x \quad \text{N}$$

b)  $\updownarrow$

$$T_P + T_Q = 50g + 20g$$



Question 7 continued

$$T_Q = 70g - T_P$$

$$T_Q = 70g - (588 - 350x)$$

$$T_Q = 98 + 350x \quad \text{N}$$

c)

$$0 < x < 1.4$$

$$98\text{N} < T_P < 588\text{N}$$

$$98\text{N} < T_Q < 588\text{N}$$

d)

$$98 + 350x = 3(588 - 350x)$$

$$98 + 350x = 1764 - 1050x$$

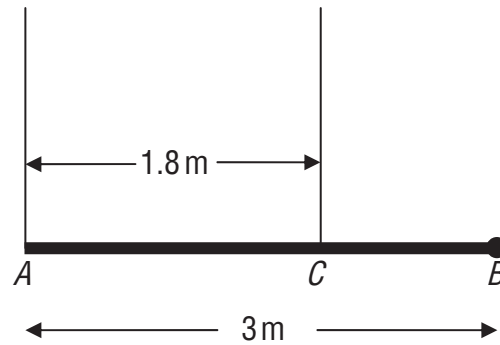
$$1400x = 1666$$

$$x = \frac{1666}{1400} = 1.19 \text{ m}$$





4.



### Figure 2

A pole  $AB$  has length 3 m and weight  $W$  newtons. The pole is held in a horizontal position in equilibrium by two vertical ropes attached to the pole at the points  $A$  and  $C$  where  $AC = 1.8$  m, as shown in Figure 2. A load of weight 20 N is attached to the rod at  $B$ . The pole is modelled as a uniform rod, the ropes as light inextensible strings and the load as a particle.

- (a) Show that the tension in the rope attached to the pole at  $C$  is  $\left(\frac{5}{6}W + \frac{100}{3}\right)\text{N}$ . (4)
- (b) Find, in terms of  $W$ , the tension in the rope attached to the pole at  $A$ . (3)

Given that the tension in the rope attached to the pole at  $C$  is eight times the tension in the rope attached to the pole at  $A$ ,

- (c) find the value of  $W$ . (3)

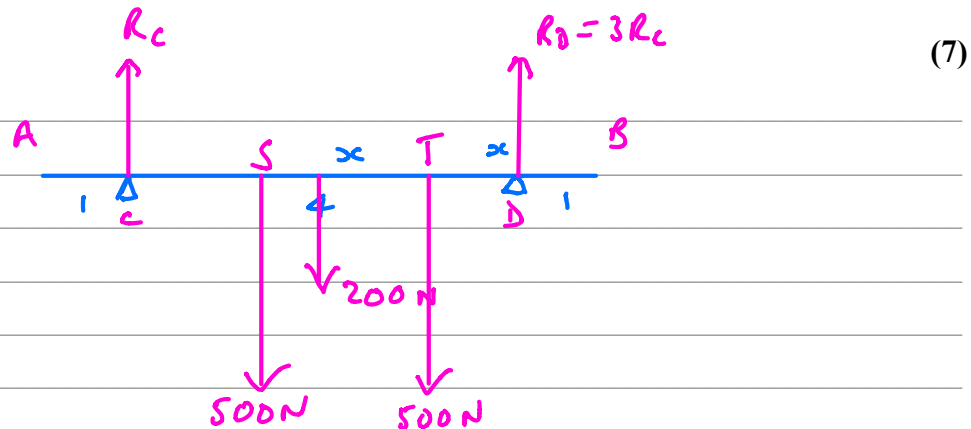


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4. A beam  $AB$  has length 6 m and weight 200 N. The beam rests in a horizontal position on two supports at the points  $C$  and  $D$ , where  $AC = 1$  m and  $DB = 1$  m. Two children, Sophie and Tom, each of weight 500 N, stand on the beam with Sophie standing twice as far from the end  $B$  as Tom. The beam remains horizontal and in equilibrium and the magnitude of the reaction at  $D$  is three times the magnitude of the reaction at  $C$ . By modelling the beam as a uniform rod and the two children as particles, find how far Tom is standing from the end  $B$ .



$$R_C + 3R_C = 1200 \text{ N}$$

$$R_C = 300 \text{ N}$$

Moments about B

$$R_C \times 5 + R_D \times 1 = 500 \times 2x + 200 \times 3 + 500 \times x$$

$$1500 + 900 = 1000x + 600 + 500x$$

$$1800 = 1500x$$

$$x = \frac{1800}{1500}$$

$$x = 1.2 \text{ m}$$

