## **Example Static Force Analysis**

- Problem is from Engineering Mechanics Statics, 5th Edition, Meriam
- Sample Problem 3/5 on page 143 (shown on page-2 of this doc)

## **Unit Vectors**

$$i \coloneqq \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad j \coloneqq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad k \coloneqq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Position Vectors

Applied Load

$$r_{AG}\!\coloneqq\!-1\boldsymbol{\cdot} i\!-\!3\boldsymbol{\cdot} j\!+\!1.5\boldsymbol{\cdot} k$$

$$W \coloneqq -1962 \cdot k$$

$$r_{AB}\!\coloneqq\!-2\boldsymbol{\cdot} i\!-\!6\boldsymbol{\cdot} j\!+\!3\boldsymbol{\cdot} k$$

Method-1) Using Solve Evaluation with Bx and By as Variables

$$MomentSum\left(B_{x},B_{y}\right)\coloneqq r_{AB} \times \left(B_{x} \cdot i + B_{y} \cdot j\right) + r_{AG} \times W = 0 \cdot i + 0 \cdot j + 0 \cdot k$$

$$MomentSum\left\langle B_{x},B_{y}\right\rangle \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5886-3 \cdot B_{y} \\ 3 \cdot B_{x}-1962 \\ 6 \cdot B_{x}-2 \cdot B_{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{solve\,,B_{x},B_{y}} \begin{bmatrix} 654 & 1962 \end{bmatrix}$$

Method-2) Using Solve Evaluation with Bx and By as Variables within Fuction B

- Why Doesnt this work???

Reaction Load

$$B(B_x, B_y) \coloneqq B_x \cdot i + B_y \cdot j$$

$$MomentSumTest(B) := r_{AB} \times (B) + r_{AG} \times W = 0 \cdot i + 0 \cdot j + 0 \cdot k$$

The following gives the same symbolic evaluation as Method-1 (good) but then a numeric result is not returned when calling the "solve" routine (bad).

$$MomentSumTest\left\langle B\left\langle B_{x},B_{y}\right\rangle \right\rangle \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5886-3 \cdot B_{y} \\ 3 \cdot B_{x}-1962 \\ 6 \cdot B_{x}-2 \cdot B_{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{solve,B_{x},B_{y}} undefined$$

The following doesn't work at all.

$$\underbrace{MomentSumTest(B)} \rightarrow ? \xrightarrow{solve, B_x, B_y} ?$$

Method-3) Using "Isolve" - Note that this doesn't present / read as well as method 1 & 2

$$M := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \\ 3 & 0 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad v := \begin{bmatrix} -5886 \\ 1962 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \text{lsolve}(M, v) = \begin{bmatrix} 654 \\ 1.962 \cdot 10^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

