



School: Ba Sangam College
Subject: Technical Drawing

Year/Level: 13
Worksheet 16

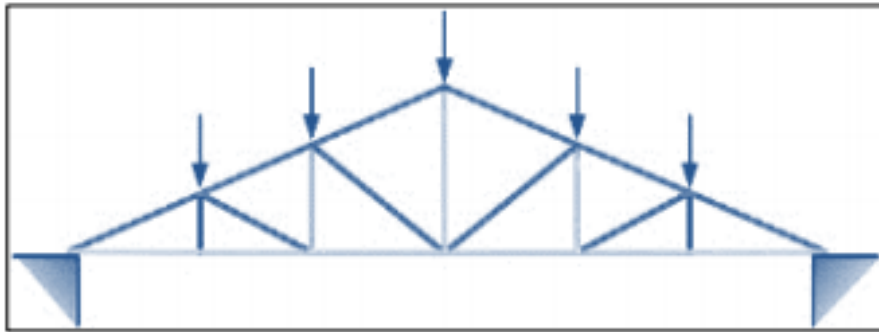
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Strand	Applied Mechanics
Sub Strand	Truss
Content Learning Outcome	Define the terms and use the knowledge to do truss analysis

Truss Analysis

A truss is analyzed by using $m = 2j - 3$, where m is number of members, j represents the number of joints and 3 represents the external support reactions.

Example:



$$m = 2j - 3$$

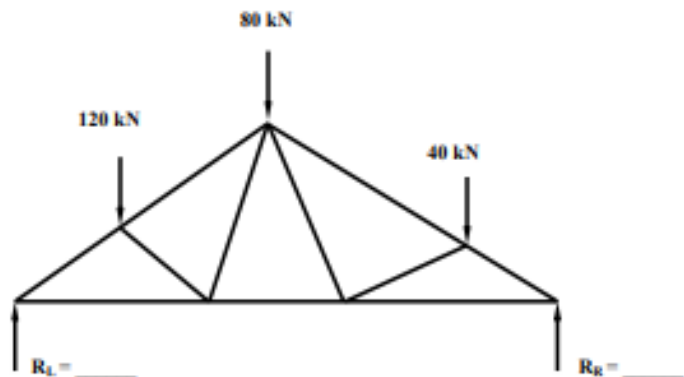
$$21 = 2(12) - 3$$

$$21 = 24 - 3$$

$$21 = 21$$

Since $21 = 21$, we can say that the truss is balanced and does not contain any redundant member.

Activity (15 marks)



QUESTION 3

(15 marks)

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Given: A typical truss with loads acting on it and its sketch not drawn to scale.

Required: (i) Find the reactions R_L and R_R at the supports. (5 marks)

(ii) Determine the magnitude and nature of the members of the truss by completing the table given on the below. (9 marks)

MEMBER	AF	BG	CJ	DK	EK	EH	EF	FG	GH	HJ
MAGNITUDE										
NATURE										

Load line scale: 10mm = 20 kN

(i)			
1	Accuracy – load line	1	
2	Correct polar diagram	1	
3	Correct funicular polygon	2	
4	Correct value of R_L and R_R	1	
5	Correct units shown	1	
(ii)			
6	Correct value of members magnitude	3	
7	Correct nature of members	3	
8	Correct shape of vector diagram	2	
9	Correct labels	1	