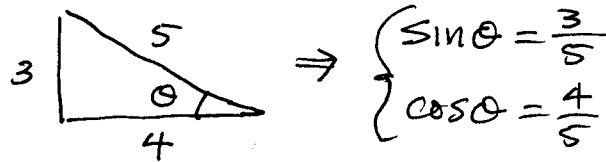


To get θ , we notice a 3,4,5 right triangle:



$$\sum F_x = 0 \Rightarrow P_x - T \cos \theta = 0$$

$$P_x - \frac{4}{5} T = 0$$

$$P_x = \frac{4}{5} T \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \tau_A = 0 \Rightarrow -P_y (4) = 0$$

$$\boxed{P_y = 0}$$

This result makes sense because the bar is weightless.

$$\sum F_y = 0 \Rightarrow P_y + T \sin \theta - 100 = 0$$

$$\frac{3}{5} T = 100$$

$$\boxed{T = \frac{500}{3} \text{ N}}$$

Combining (1) & (2):

$$P_x = \frac{4}{5} \left(\frac{500}{3} \right) = \boxed{\frac{400}{3} \text{ N}}$$

Note: Try re-doing this problem by taking torques about the other end of the bar.