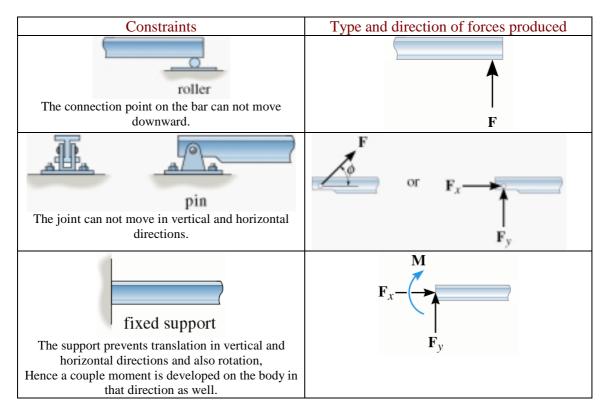
Support reactions:

If a support prevents translation of a body in a given direction, a force is developed on the body in that direction.



Free body diagrams considering supports:

Example:

Draw the FBD for the following beam (the trusses are imposing the same forces on the beam):



Solution:

- A pin can be considered for left support (A); no motion in 2 directions,
- A roller can be considered for right support (B); no vertical motion,
- Weight of the beam is generally neglected (when not mentioned and) when it is small compared to the load the beam supports.
- Replace each truss with force F:

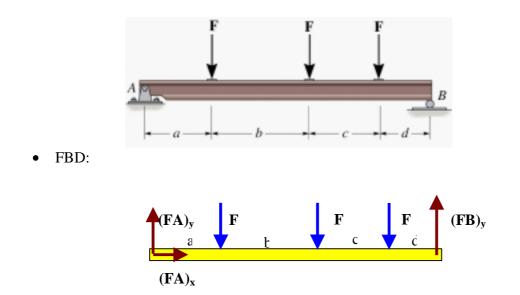


Table 5-2	Supports for Rigid Bodies Subjected	to Three-Dimensional Force Systems
Type	s of Connection Reaction	Number of Unknowns

Types of Connection Reaction	Number of Unknowns
(1)	One unknown. The reaction is a force
cable	which acts away from the member in
(2)	One unknown. The reaction is a force
smooth surface support	which acts perpendicular to the surface
(3)	One unknown. The reaction is a force
roller	which acts perpendicular to the surface

