# **Extra Problems**

3D equilibrium

### Problem B

In the planetary gear system shown, the radius of the central gear A is a = 24 mm, the radius of the planetary gears is b, and the radius of the outer gear E is

(a+2b). A clockwise couple of magnitude 15N.m is applied to the central gear A, and a counterclockwise couple of magnitude 75N.m is applied to the spider *BCD*. If the system is to be in equilibrium, determine (*a*) the required radius *b* of the planetary gears, (*b*) the couple  $M_E$ that must be applied to the outer gear *E*.



 $r_B = 36.0 \text{ mm}$ 

### Planetary Gear

#### **Basic planetary gearhead**



http://machinedesign.com/mechanical-drives/ planetary-gears-review-basic-design-criteriaand-new-options-sizing

## Problem C



• Two shafts AC and CF, which lie in the vertical xy plane, are connected by a universal joint at C. The bearings at B and D do not exert any axial force. A couple of magnitude (clockwise when viewed from the positive x axis) is applied to shaft CF at F. At a time when the arm of the crosspiece attached to shaft CF is horizontal, determine the magnitude of the couple which must be applied to shaft AC at A to maintain equilibrium.

### Universal Joint



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