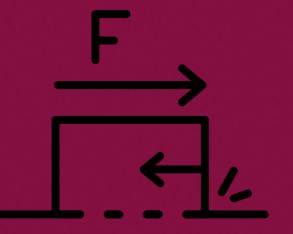
SEEM1113 ENGINEERING MECHANICS



CH4 Force System Resultants

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At the end of this lesson, you should be able to:

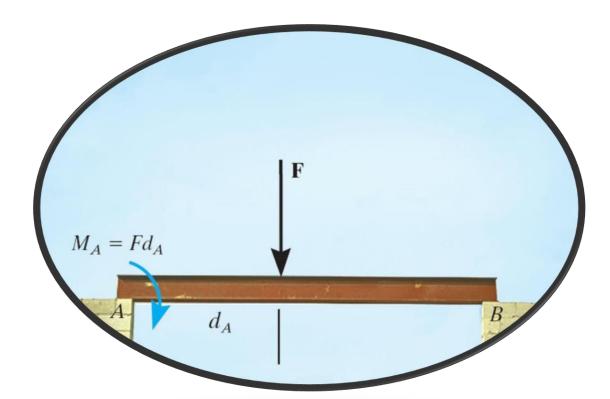
- 1. Describe the concept of **moment of a force (MoF)**.
- 2. Define the magnitude, direction & resultant moment of MoF
- 3. Calculate the **MoF** in 2 or 3 dimensions.



Scalar Formulation

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Beams are often used to bridge gaps in walls. We have to know what the effect of the force on the beam will have on the beam supports.

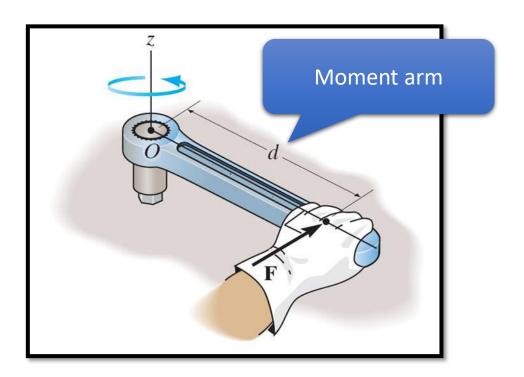
What do you think those impacts are at points A and B?

ODUTING SCALAR FORMULATION APPLICATION



Carpenters often use a hammer in this way to pull a stubborn nail, F_N . Through what sort of action does the force F_H at the handle pull the nail? How can you mathematically model the effect of force F_H at point O?



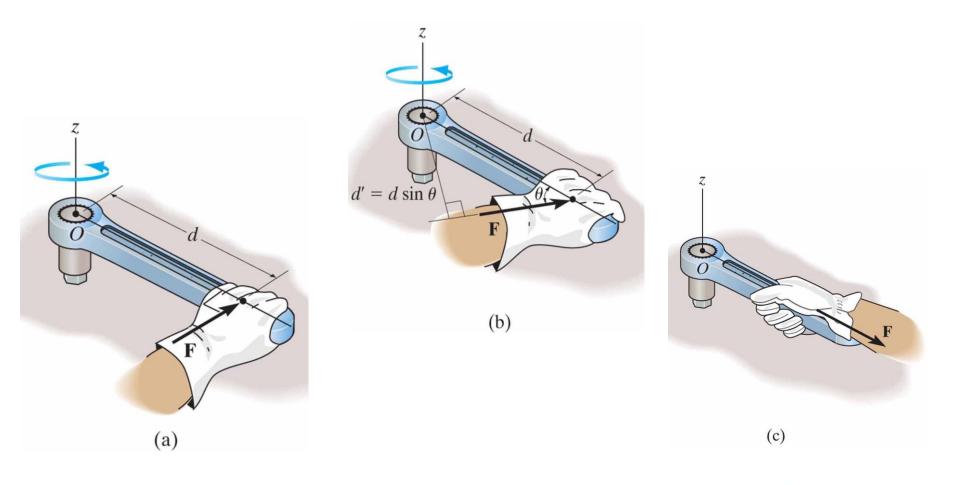


The **moment** of a force about a **point** provides a measure of the **tendency for rotation** (sometimes called a torque).

The moment is a vector (has magnitude and direction)

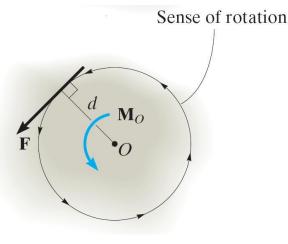


Which action give the highest moment?





In the 2-D case, the magnitude of the moment is



We can determine the direction of rotation by imagining the body pinned at O and deciding which way the body would rotate because of the force.

d is the **perpendicular** distance from point O to the line of action of the force.

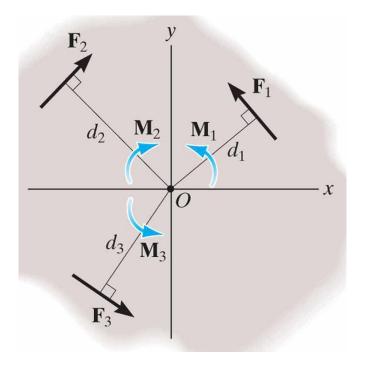
In 2-D, the direction of MO is either clockwise or

counter-clockwise, depending on the tendency for rotation.



Resultant moment:

$$(M_R)_o = \sum Fd = F_1d_1 - F_2d_2 + F_3d_3$$

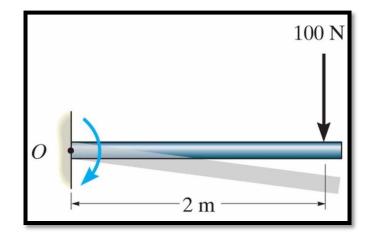


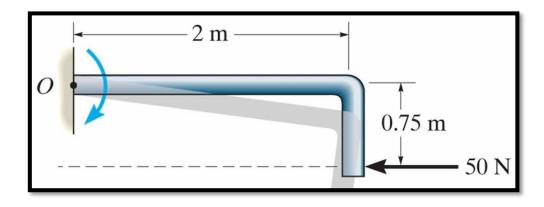
As a convention we will consider **positive** moment as **counterclockwise**.



Example 1

Determine the moment of a force about point O:

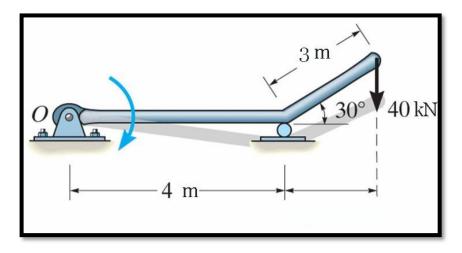


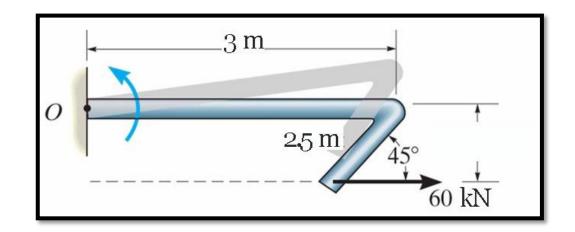




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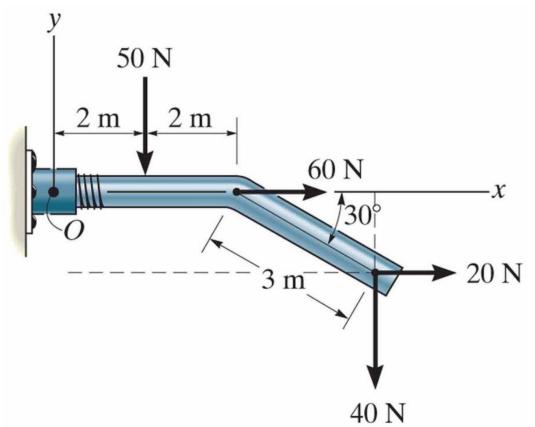






Example 2

Determine the resultant moment of the four forces acting on the rod shown in the figure about point O:



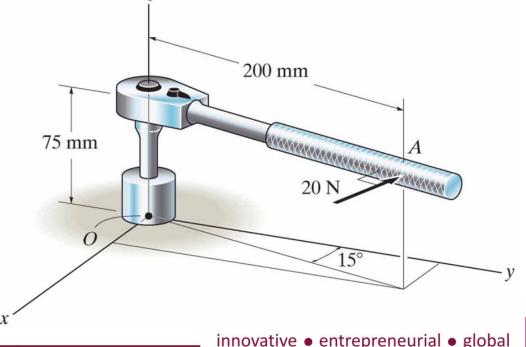


Vector Formulation

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CROSS PRODUCT

- In 3-D, moment of force will be formulated in Cartesian vectors.
- Finding the perpendicular distances can be hard, especially when you are working with forces in three dimensions.
- A general method of finding the moment of a force uses a vector operation called the cross product of two vectors. $\frac{z}{1}$



CROSS PRODUCT

Cross product of two vectors A and B results in another vector, C, written as:

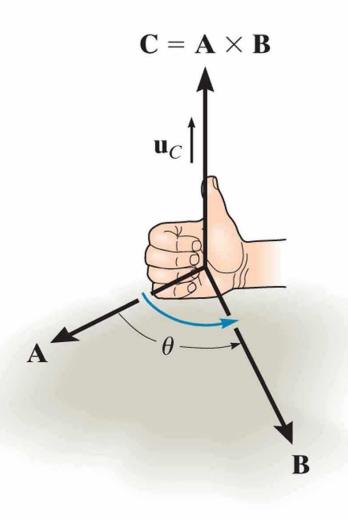
$$C = A \times B$$

• The magnitude of *C*:

 $C = ABsin\theta$

- Direction of *C* is perpendicular to the plane containing *A* and *B* such that *C* is specified by the RHR.
- Curling the fingers of the right hand from *A* (cross) to *B*, the thumb points in the direction of *C*. Thus:

 $C = A \times B = (ABsin\theta)u_c$





CROSS PRODUCT: LAWS OF OPERATION

• Commutative law is not valid:

 $A \times B \neq B \times A$

But

 $A \times B = -B \times A$

• Associative law

 $a(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) = (a\mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} \times (a\mathbf{B}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B})a$

• Distributive law

 $A \times (B + D) = (A \times B) + (A \times D)$

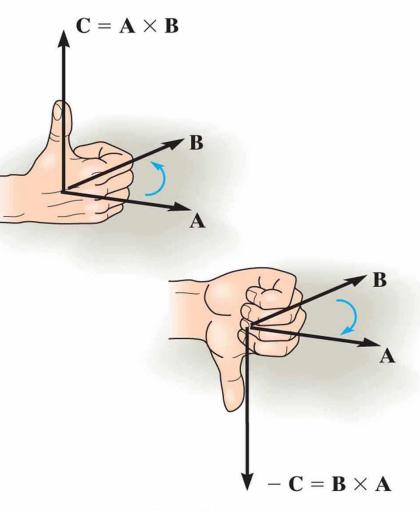
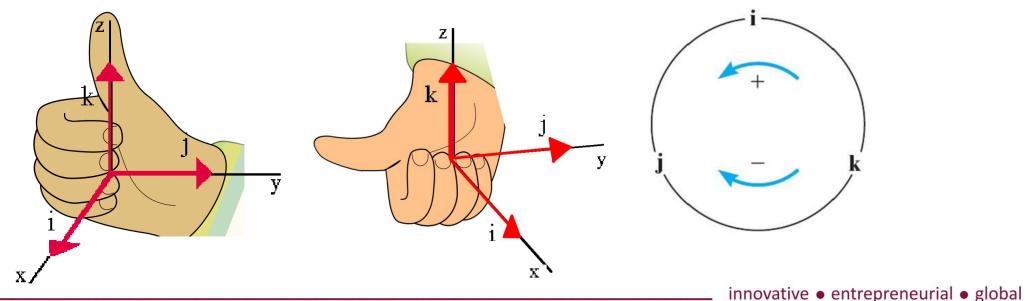


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CROSS PRODUCT

- To find the cross product of any pair of cartesian unit vector, equation $C = A \times B = (ABsin\theta)u_c$ can be used.
- For example: $i \times j = (i)(j)(\sin 90^\circ) = (1)(1)(1) = 1$
- The direction is determined by using the right hand rule.
- Therefore, $i \times j = (1)k$





CROSS PRODUCT

- Consider a cross product of two vectors, **A** and **B** $A \times B = (A_x \mathbf{i} + A_y \mathbf{j} + A_z \mathbf{k}) \times (B_x \mathbf{i} + B_y \mathbf{j} + B_z \mathbf{k})$ $= (A_x \mathbf{i} + A_y \mathbf{j} + A_z \mathbf{k}) \times (B_x \mathbf{i} + B_y \mathbf{j} + B_z \mathbf{k})$ $= A_x B_x (\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_x B_y (\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_x B_z (\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k}) + A_y B_x (\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_y B_y (\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_y B_z (\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k})$ $+ A_z B_x (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_z B_y (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_z B_z (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k})$
- Carrying out the cross-product operations and combining terms yield: $A \times B = (A_y B_z - A_z B_y)\mathbf{i} + (A_z B_x - A_x B_z)\mathbf{j} + (A_x B_y - A_y B_x)\mathbf{k}$ $= (A_y B_z - A_z B_y)\mathbf{i} - (A_x B_z - A_z B_x)\mathbf{j} + (A_x B_y - A_y B_x)\mathbf{k}$
- Can be summarized as:

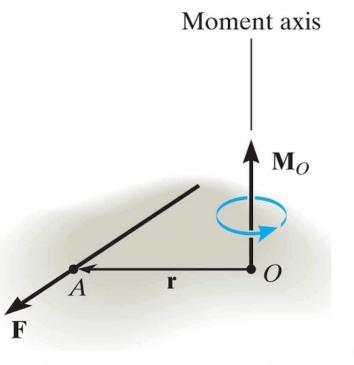
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MOMENT OF A FORCE: VECTOR FORMULATION

- Moments in 3-D can be calculated using scalar (2-D) approach but it can be difficult and time consuming. Thus, it is often easier to use a mathematical approach called the vector cross product.
- Moment of force **F** about point O can be expressed using cross product

$$M_O = r \times F$$

Where *r* is the **position vector** from point O to any point on the line of action of *F*.

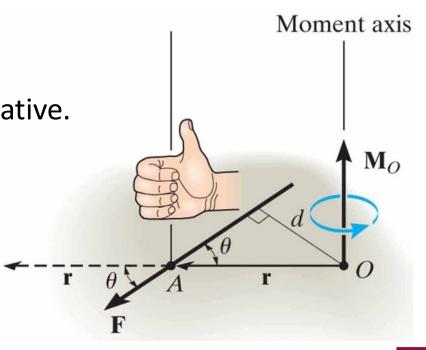


MOMENT OF A FORCE: VECTOR FORMULATION

- The moment, M_0 determined using the cross product which has the proper magnitude and direction.
- Magnitude:

$$M_0 = rFsin\theta = F(rsin\theta) = Fd$$

- Direction of **M**₀ is determined by right-hand rule.
- Maintain proper order of *r* and *F* since cross is not commutative.



VECTOR FORMULATION

MOMENT OF A FORCE: VECTOR FORMULATION

For a force expressed in a Cartesian form: ۲

$$\boldsymbol{M}_{O} = \boldsymbol{r} \times \boldsymbol{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \boldsymbol{i} & \boldsymbol{j} & \boldsymbol{k} \\ \boldsymbol{r}_{x} & \boldsymbol{r}_{y} & \boldsymbol{r}_{z} \\ \boldsymbol{F}_{x} & \boldsymbol{F}_{y} & \boldsymbol{F}_{z} \end{vmatrix}$$

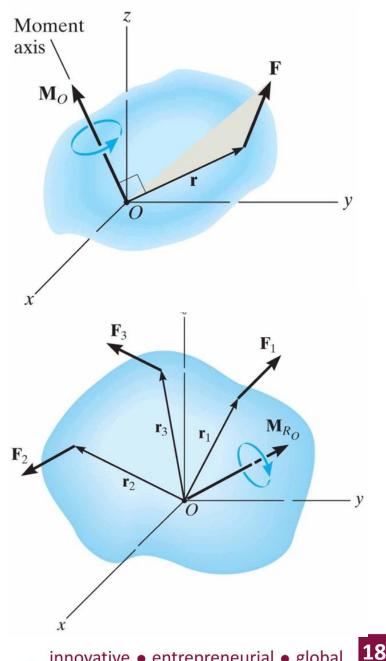
Hence:

$$\boldsymbol{M}_{O} = (r_{y}F_{z} - r_{z}F_{y})\boldsymbol{i} - (r_{x}F_{z} - r_{z}F_{x})\boldsymbol{j} + (r_{x}F_{y} - r_{y}F_{x})\boldsymbol{k}$$

Resultant Moment of a System of Forces

Resultant moment of forces about point O can be determined by vector addition

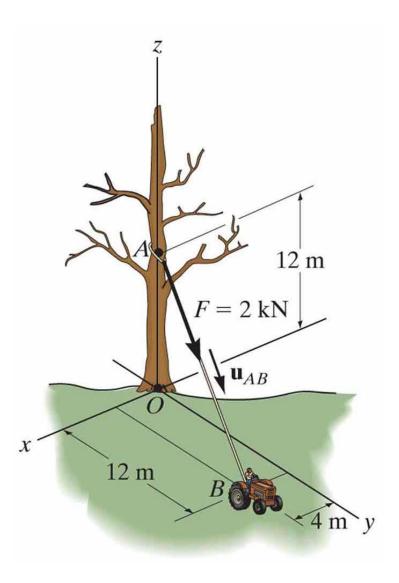
$$(\boldsymbol{M}_{\boldsymbol{R}})_{O} = \sum (\boldsymbol{r} \times \boldsymbol{F})$$



WITH VECTOR FORMULATION MOMENT OF A FORCE: VECTOR FORMULATION

Example 3

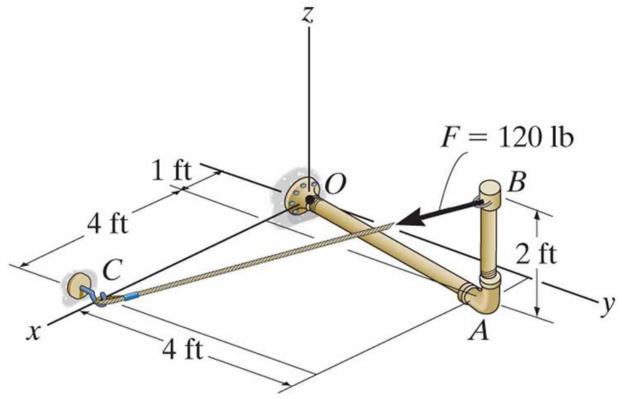
Determine the moment produced by the force **F** in the figure below about point *O*. Express the result as a Cartesian vector.



MOMENT OF A FORCE: VECTOR FORMULATION

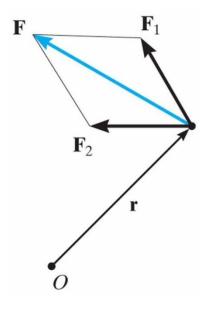
Example 4

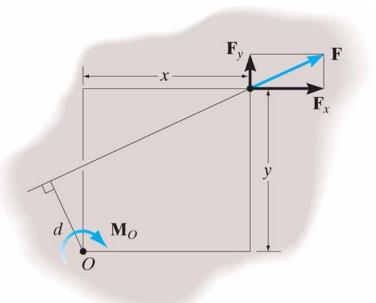
Determine the moment of force **F** about point O. Express the result as a Cartesian vector.



MOMENT OF A FORCE: PRINCIPLE OF MOMENT

Varignon's theorem: Moment of a force about a point is equal to the sum of the moments of the forces' components about the point.





Vector equation

$$M_0 = r \times F = r \times (F_1 + F_2)$$
$$= r \times F_1 + r \times F_2$$

Scalar equation (simpler than finding *d*):

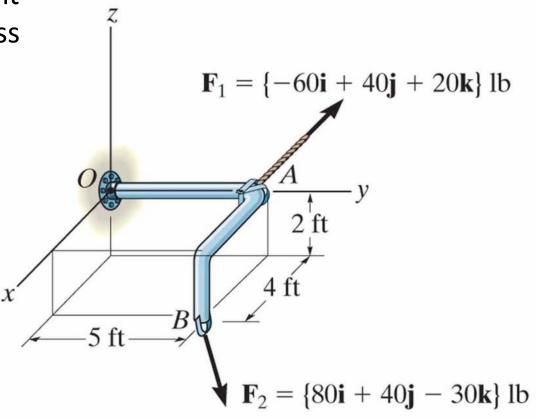
$$M_O = F_x y - F_y x$$

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MOMENT OF A FORCE: PRINCIPLE OF MOMENT

Example 5

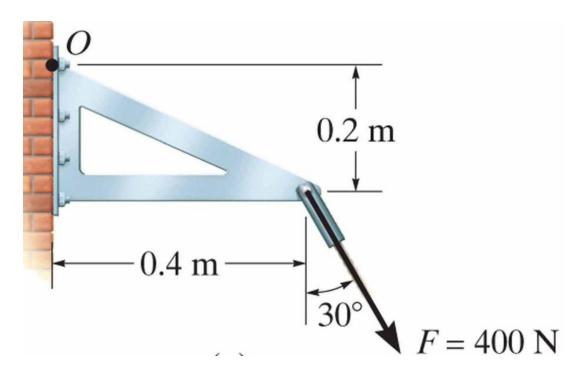
Two forces act on the rod. Determine the resultant moment they create about the flange at *O*. Express the result as a Cartesian vector.



MOMENT OF A FORCE: PRINCIPLE OF MOMENT

Example 6

Force F acts at the end of the angle bracket shown in the figure below. Determine the moment of the force about point O.







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