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Chapter 4: Force System Resultants (Static)

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Chapter Description

- Aims
 - To explain the Moment of Force (2D-scalar formulation & 3D-Vector formulation)
 - To explain the Principle Moment
 - To explain the Moment of a Couple
 - To explain the Simplification of a Force and Couple System
 - To explain the Reduction of Simple Distributed Loading
- Expected Outcomes
 - Able to solve the problems of MOF and COM in the mechanics applications by using principle of moments
- References
 - Russel C. Hibbeler. Engineering Mechanics: Statics & Dynamics, 14th Edition

Chapter Outline

- 4.1 Moment of Force (MOF) –Part I
- 4.2 Principle of Moment –Part II
- 4.3 Moment of Couple (MOC) Part III
- 4.4 Simplification of a Force and Couple System
- 4.5 Reduction of Simple Distributed Loading- part IV

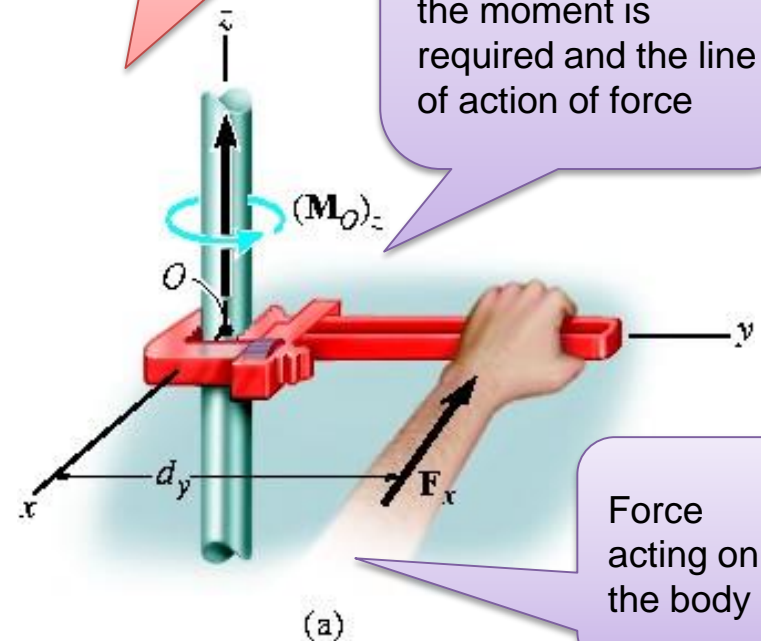


4.1 Moment of a Force

- Moment can be defined as **turning force**
 - The **tendency of a force to rotate** a rigid body about any defined axis is called the **moment of the force** about the axis
 - It is also called a **torque** or **twist moment** that tendency of a force to rotate a body about the axis
 - It is a **vector**, so its has both **magnitude** and **direction** (right handrule)
 - +ve **CCW** & -ve **CW**
 - Unit used is **N.m**
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- In a 2-D case, the **magnitude** of the moment

What is Moment?

Perpendicular distance between the point about which the moment is required and the line of action of force

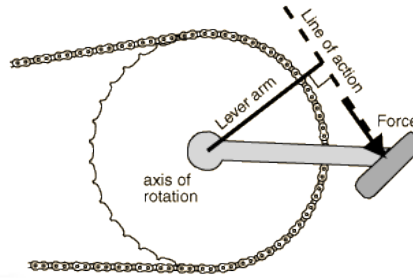
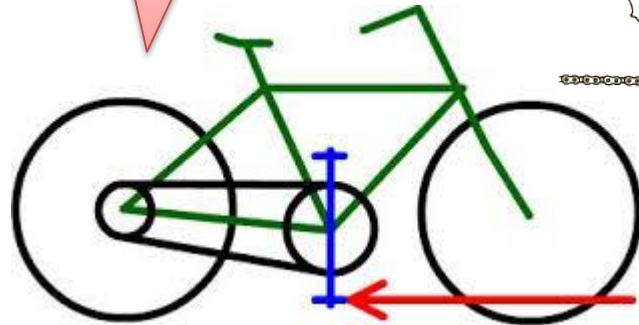


Force acting on the body

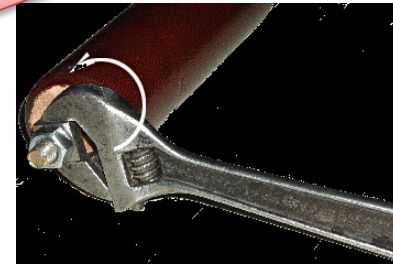
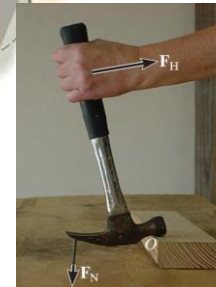
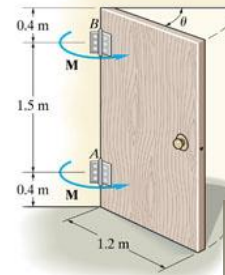
$$M_O = F d$$

Application of Moment (turning effect)

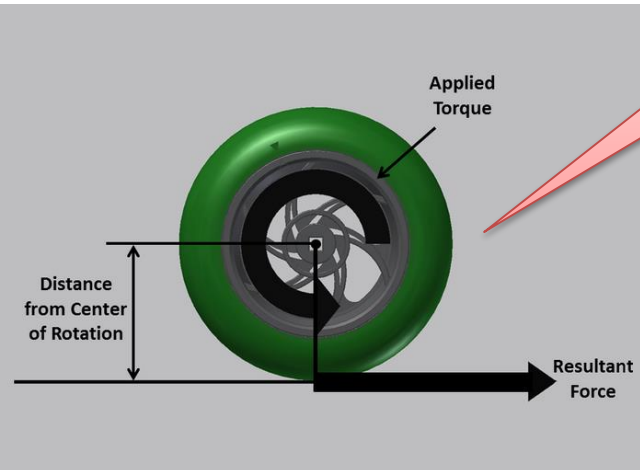
Causes of motion



Day life activity-
moment arm



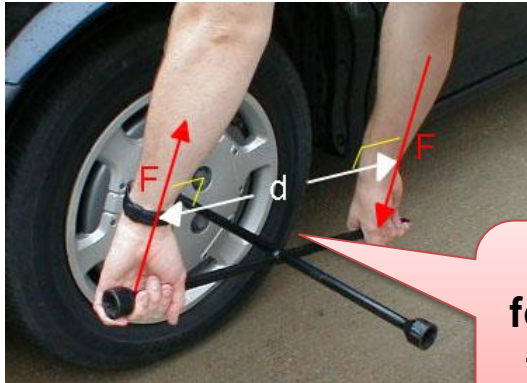
How does wheel
size affect
performance?



Seesaw-how to
balance?



Application of Moment (turning effect)



Measure the **moment arm (length)** to produce **rotary power**

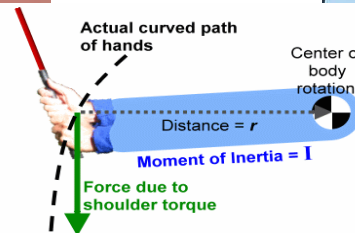
Measure the **forces (weight transfer)** and **moment arm**



Measure the **forces/effort** to make sure **good swing**



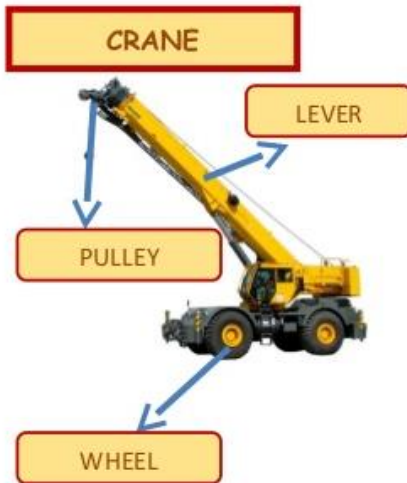
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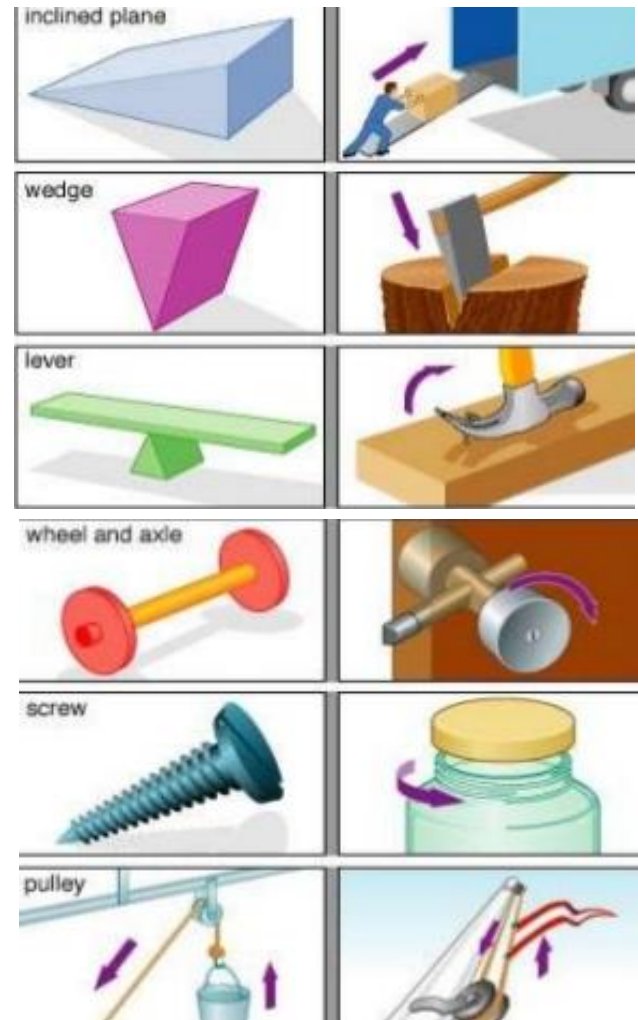
Application of Moment (turning effect)



Measure the input **forces** and **level** to make sure **output force**

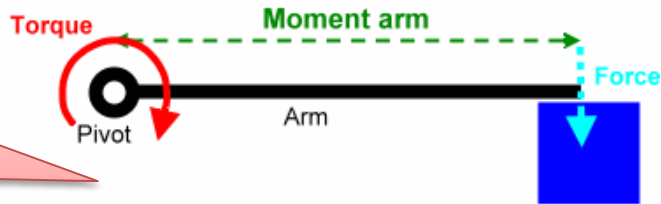


Measure the **effort/ load** to make easy work



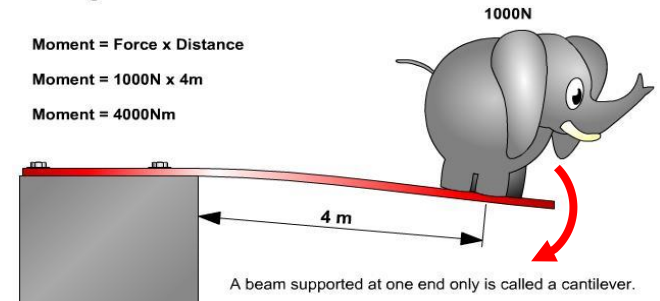
Moment factor

MOF is bigger if the force is bigger

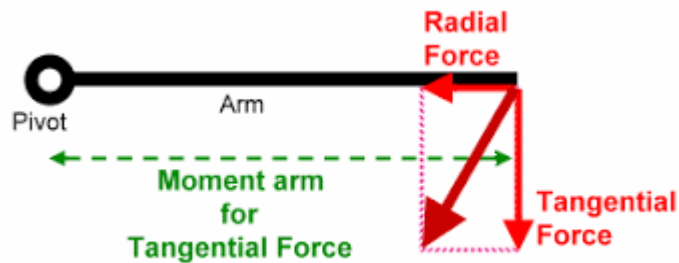
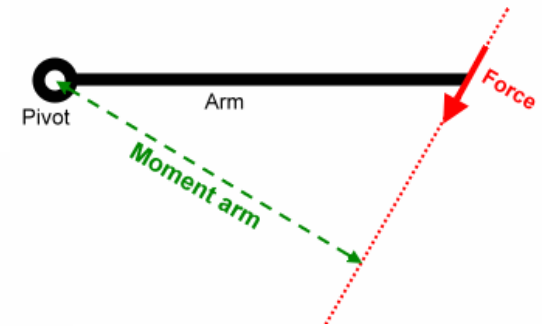


Bending Moment

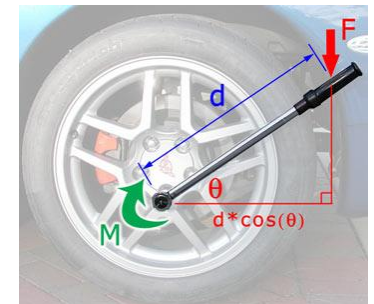
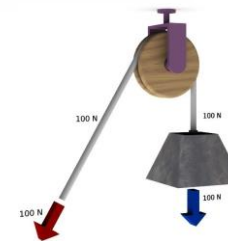
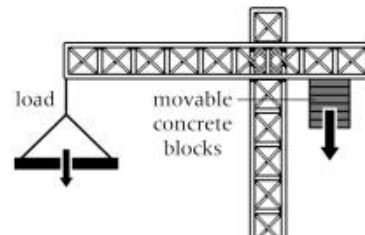
Moment = Force x Distance
 Moment = 1000N x 4m
 Moment = 4000Nm



MOF is bigger if acts further from the pivot



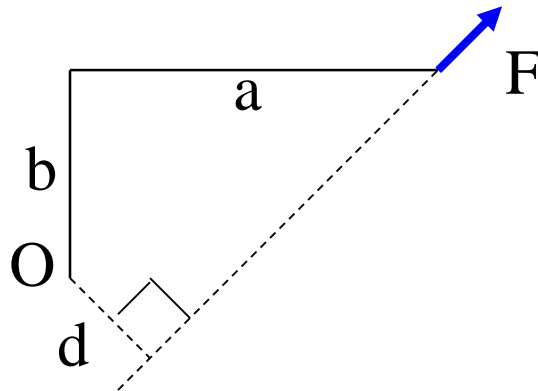
MOF is bigger if it acts at 90 to the body it acts on



Moment of a force in 2-D (scalar formulation)

Magnitude

- $M_O = Fd$
- d is the **perpendicular** distance from point O to the **line of action** of the force

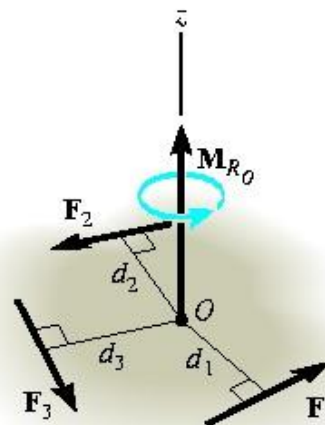


$$M_O = F d$$

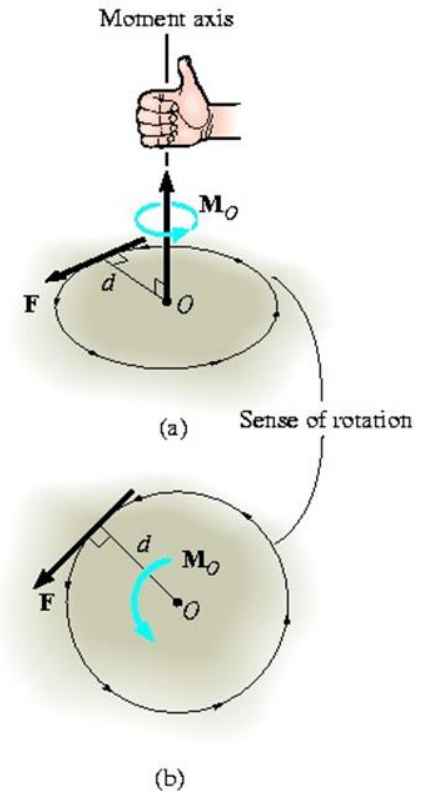
direction is counter-clockwise.

Direction

- Direction of M_O is specified by using “right hand rule”
- **direction** of M_O is either clockwise (CW) or counter-clockwise (CCW), depending on the tendency for rotation



$$M_{R0} = \sum Fd$$

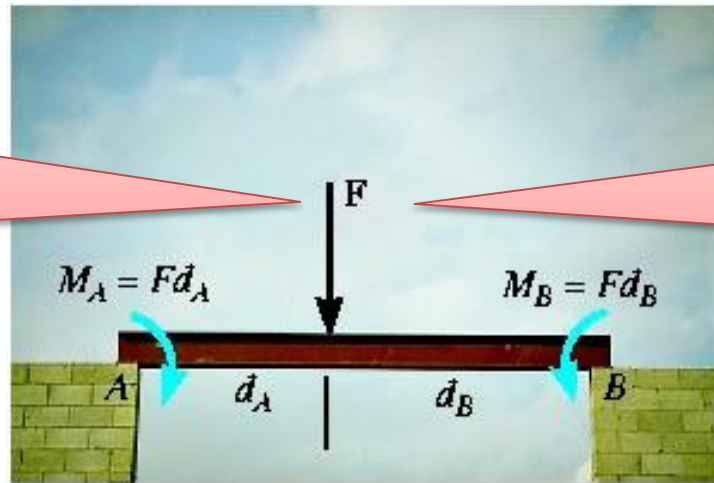


Moment of a force in 2-D (scalar formulation)

Moment of a force does not always cause rotation

Force F tends to rotate the beam clockwise about A with moment

$$M_A = F d_A$$



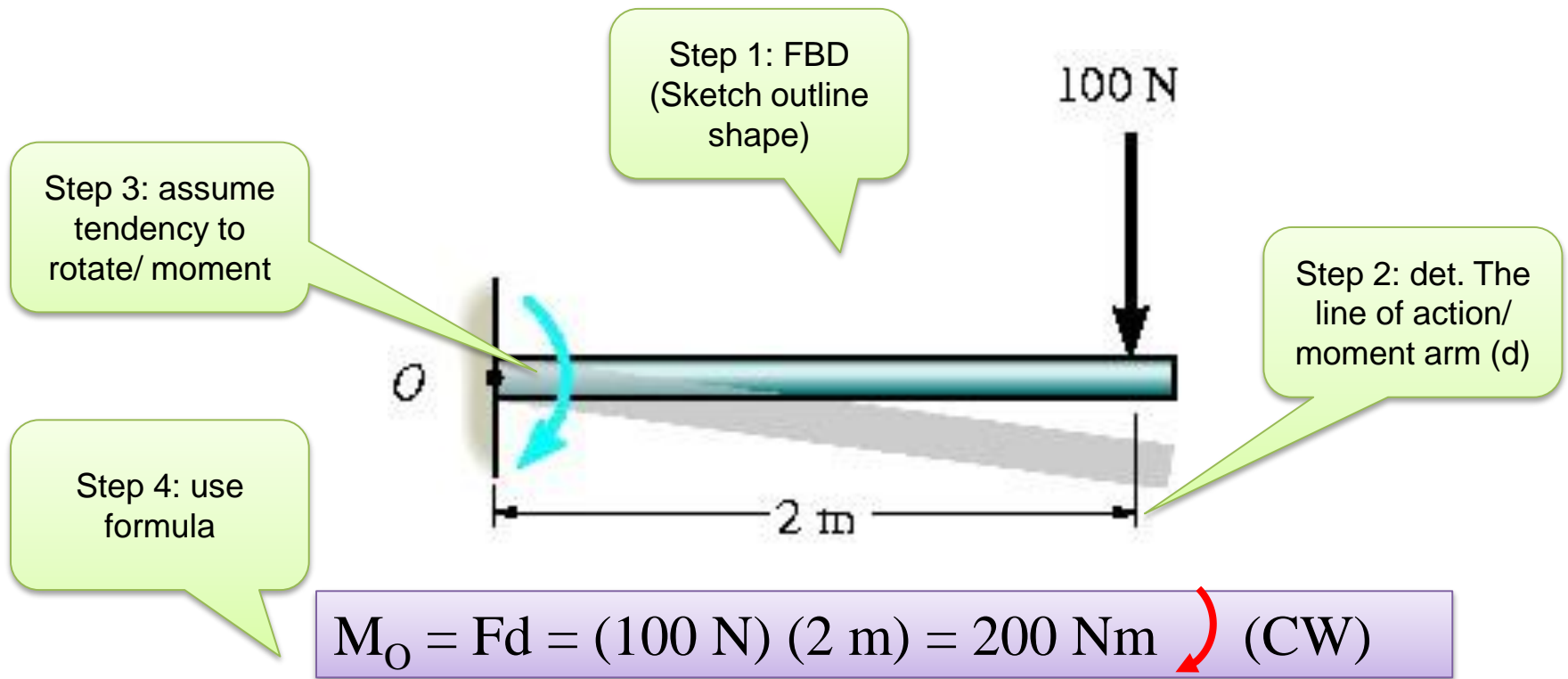
Force F tends to rotate the beam clockwise about B with moment

$$M_B = F d_B$$

Hence support at A prevents the rotation

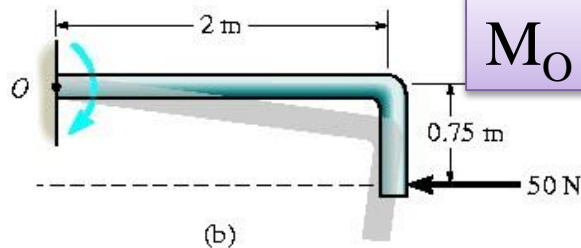
Example 4.1

This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the MOF about point O



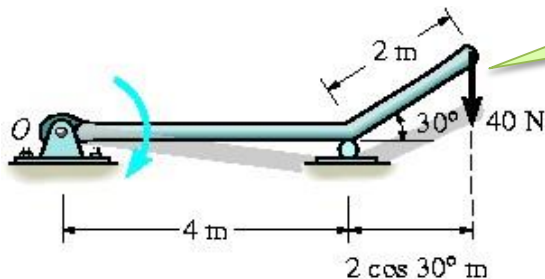
Solution Example 4.1

This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the MOF about point O



$$M_O = Fd = (50 \text{ N}) (0.75 \text{ m}) = 37.5 \text{ Nm} \quad \curvearrowright \quad (\text{CW})$$

Step 2: det. The line of action/ moment arm (d)

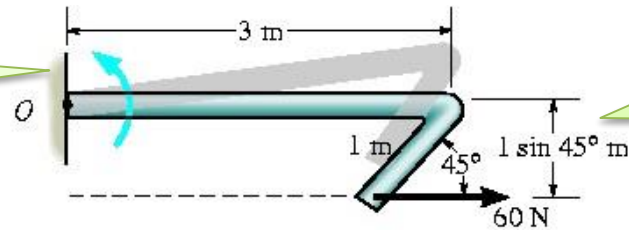


$$M_O = Fd = (40 \text{ N}) (4 \text{ m} + 2 \cos 30^\circ \text{ m}) = 229 \text{ Nm} \quad \curvearrowright \quad (\text{CW})$$

Solution Example 4.1

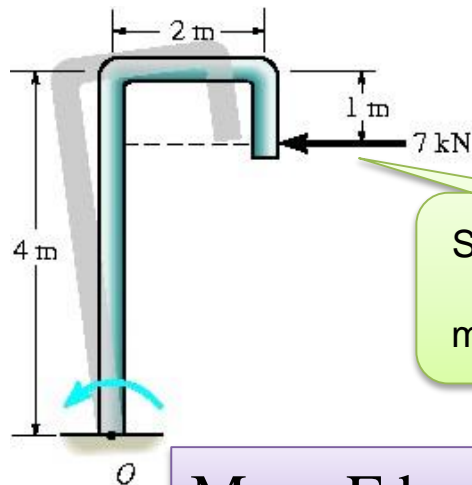
This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the MOF about point O

Step 3: assume tendency to rotate/ moment



Step 2: det. The line of action/ moment arm (d)

$$M_O = Fd = (60 \text{ N}) (1 \sin 45^\circ \text{ m}) = 42.4 \text{ Nm} \quad \curvearrowleft \quad (\text{CCW})$$



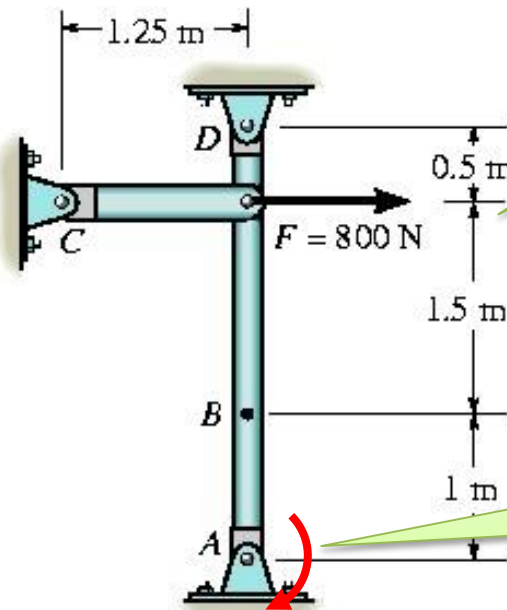
Step 2: det. The line of action/ moment arm (d)

$$M_O = Fd = (7 \text{ kN}) (4 \text{ m} - 1 \text{ m}) = 21 \text{ kNm} \quad \curvearrowright \quad (\text{CW})$$

Example 4.2

This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the moments of the 800 N force acting on the frame about points **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**

Step 1: FBD
(Sketch outline shape)



Step 2: det. The
line of action/
moment arm (d)

Step 3: assume
tendency to
rotate/ moment

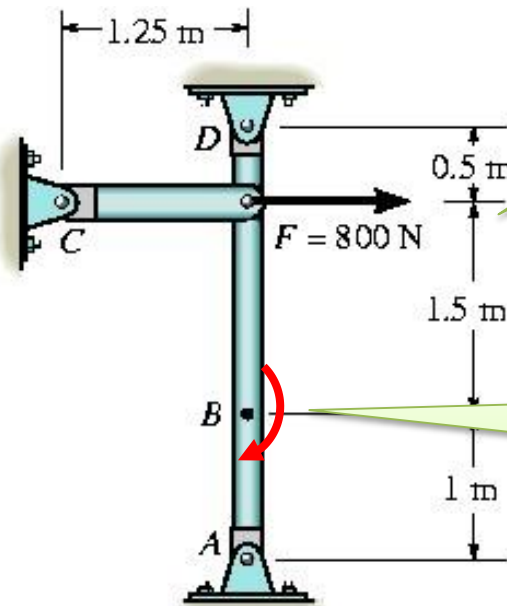
Step 4: use
formula

$$M_A = Fd = (800 \text{ N}) (1.5 + 1 \text{ m}) = 2000 \text{ Nm} \quad (\text{CW})$$

Solution Example 4.2

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(Sketch outline shape)



Step 2: det. The
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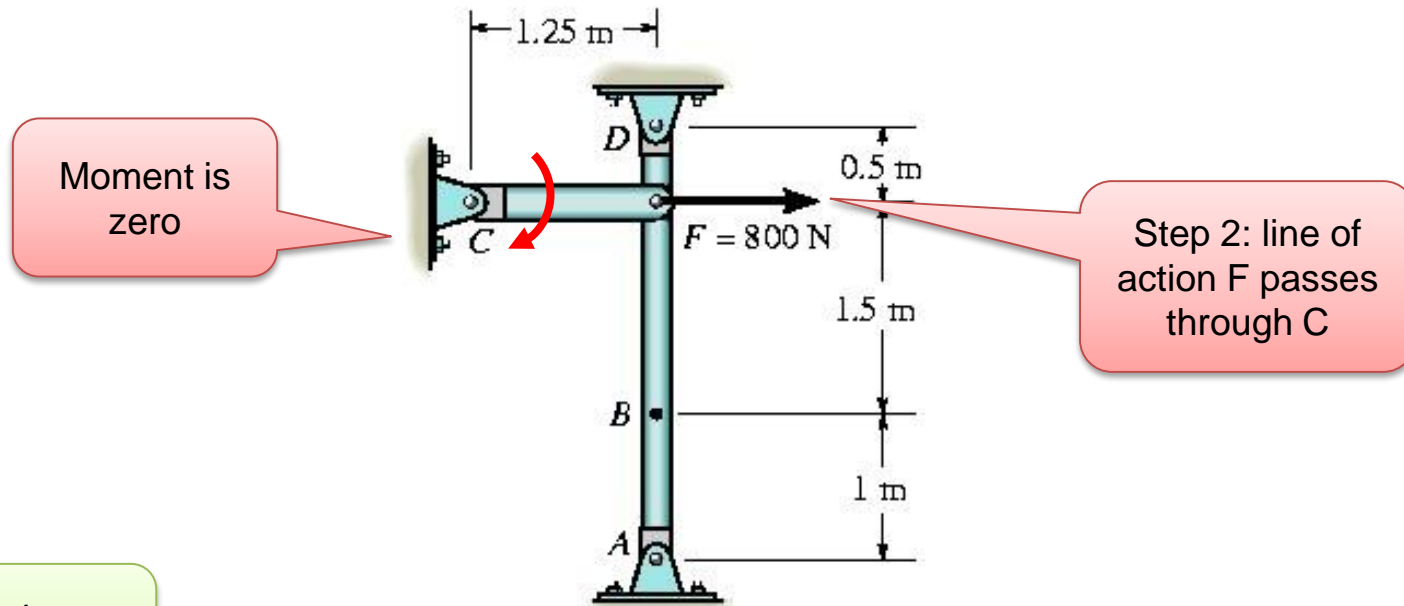
Step 3: assume
tendency to
rotate/ moment

Step 4: use
formula

$$M_B = Fd = (800\text{ N})(1.5\text{ m}) = 1200\text{ Nm} \quad \text{) (CW)}$$

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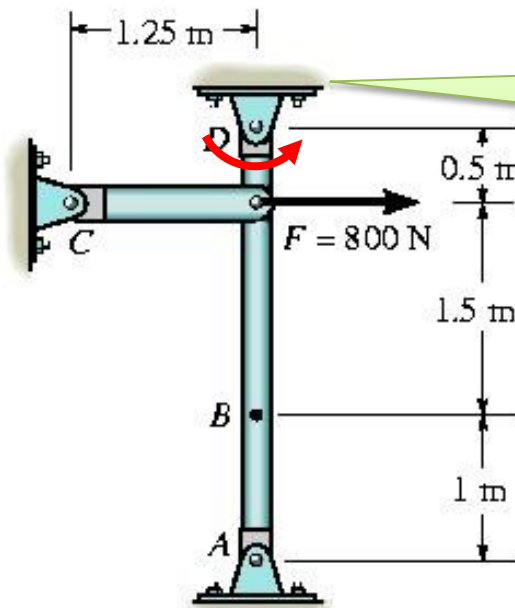


Step 4: use formula

$$M_C = Fd = (800 \text{ N}) (0 \text{ m}) = 0 \text{ Nm}$$

Solution Example 4.2

This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the moments of the 800 N force acting on the frame about points A, B, C and **D**



Step 3: assume tendency to rotate/ moment

Step 2: det. The line of action/ moment arm (d)

Step 4: use formula

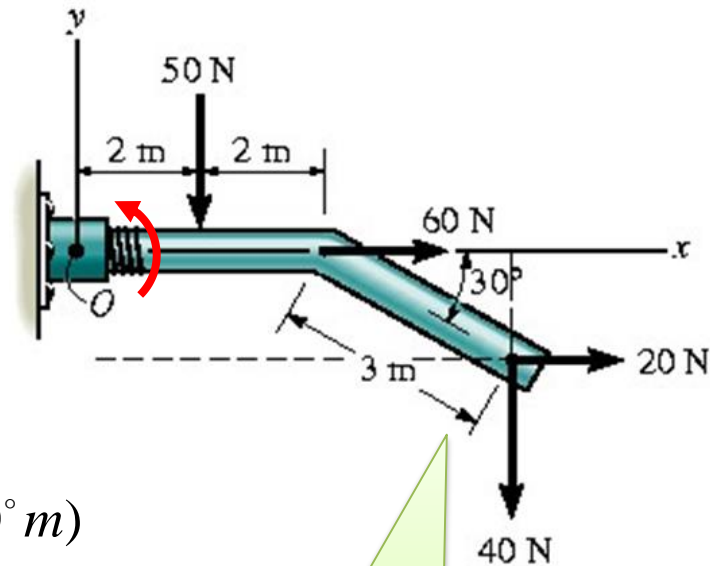
$$M_D = Fd = (800 \text{ N}) (0.5 \text{ m}) = 400 \text{ Nm} \quad (\text{CCW})$$

Solution Example 4.3

This is an example of a 2-D or coplanar force system. Determine the moments of the four force acting on the rod about point O

Step 4: use formula

Step 3: assume moment acts in + y direction



Step 2: det. The line of action/ moment arm (d) for each forces

$$M_{Ro} = \sum Fd$$

$$M_{Ro} = (-50N)(2m) + (60N)(0m) + (20N)(3 \sin 30^\circ m)$$

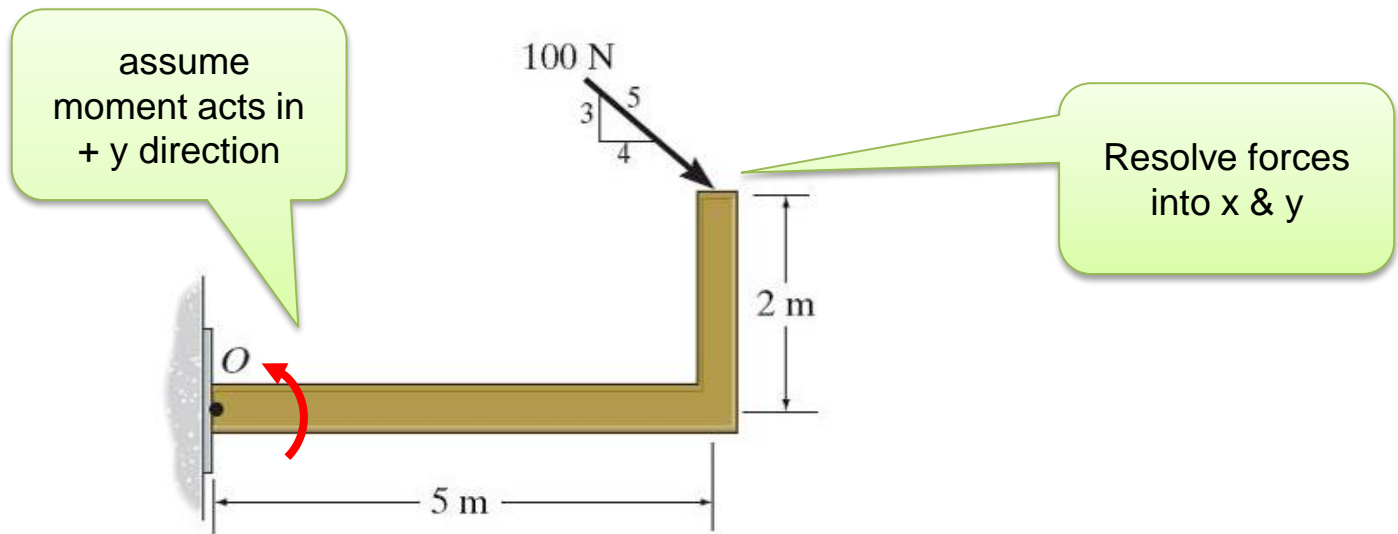
$$- (40N)(4m + 3 \cos 30^\circ m)$$

$$= -334 N.m$$

$$= 334 N.m(CW)$$

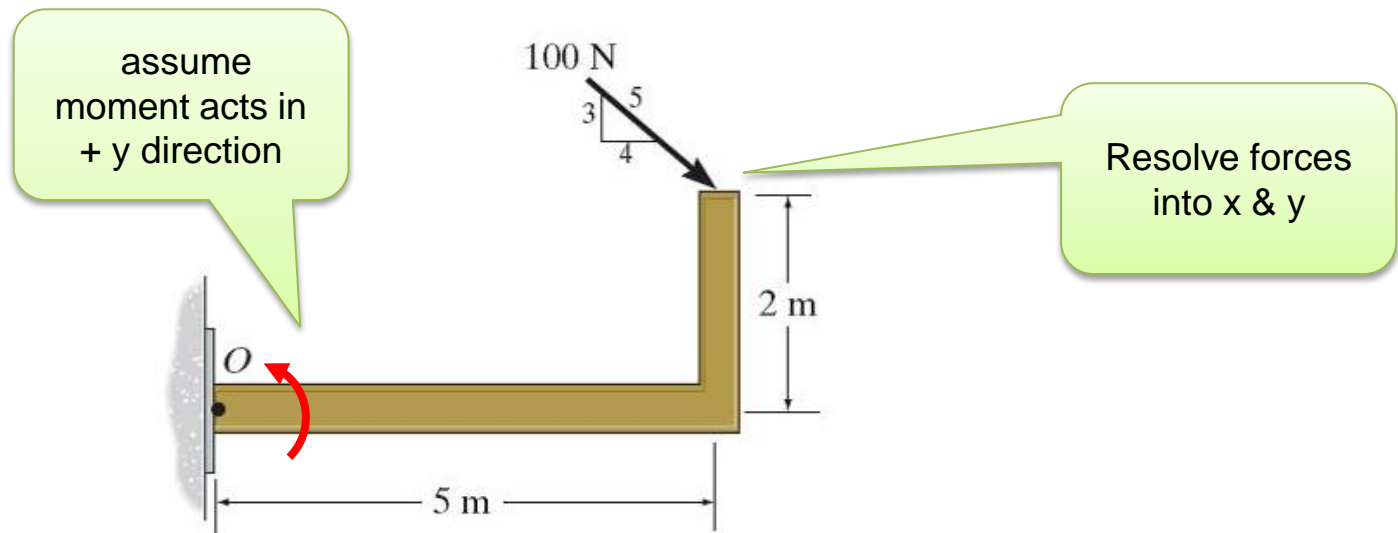
Example 4.4

Determine the moments of the 100 N force acting on the frame about point O



Solution Example 4.4

Determine the moments of the 100 N force acting on the frame about point O



$$+ \uparrow F_y = \underline{-100 (3/5) \text{ N}}$$

$$+ \rightarrow F_x = \underline{100 (4/5) \text{ N}}$$

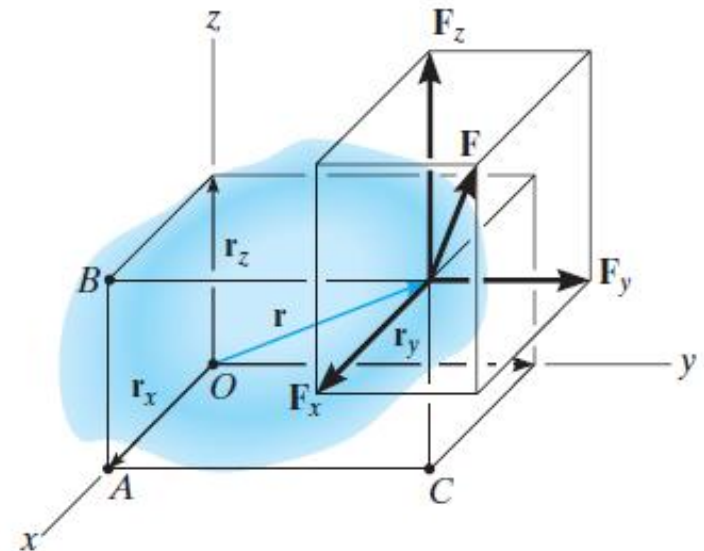
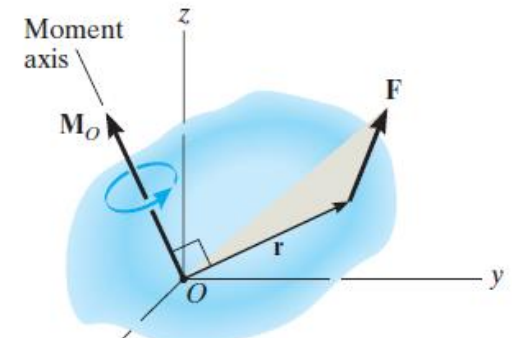
$$+ M_O = \{-100 (3/5) \text{ N} (5 \text{ m}) - (100)(4/5) \text{ N} (2 \text{ m})\} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$
$$= \underline{-460 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}} \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{460 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m CW}}$$

Moment of a force in 3-D (Vector formulation)

- Moments in 3-D can be calculated using scalar (2-D) approach, but it can be difficult (finding d when forces in 3-D) and time consuming
- It is easier to use **vector cross product**

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

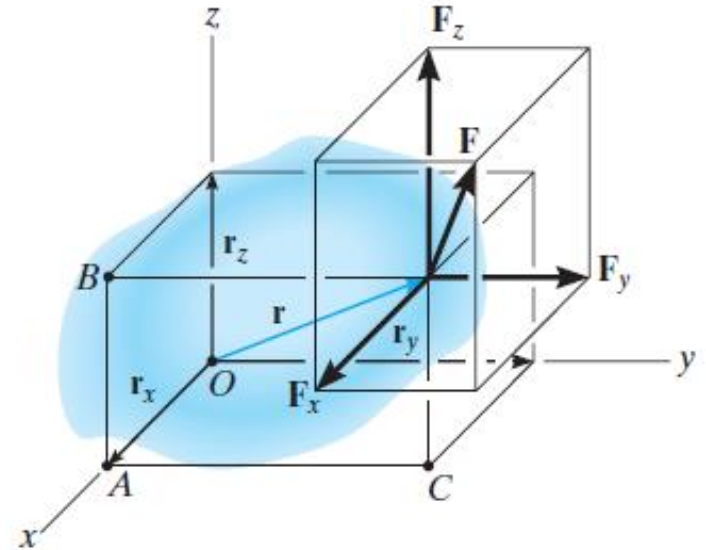
\mathbf{r} is the position vector from point O to any point on the line of action of \mathbf{F}



Moment of a force in 3-D (Vector formulation)

Moment can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ r_x & r_y & r_z \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix}$$

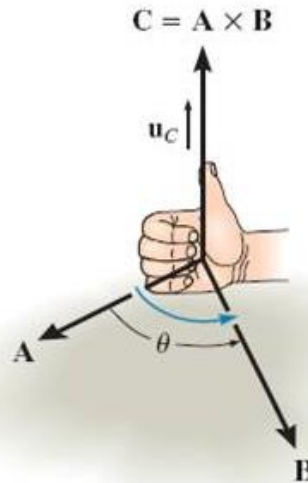


By expanding the above equation using 2×2 determinants

$$\mathbf{M}_O = (r_y F_z - r_z F_y) \mathbf{i} - (r_x F_z - r_z F_x) \mathbf{j} + (r_x F_y - r_y F_x) \mathbf{k}$$

Cross Product

What is vector cross product?



It is a vector operation

$$0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$$

- The cross product of two vectors A and B results in vector C

$$C = A \times B$$

- The **magnitude** and **direction** of the resulting vector can be written as

$$C = A \times B = AB \sin \theta u_c$$

Scalar $AB \sin \theta$ defines the magnitude of vector C

Unit vector u_c defines the direction of vector C

Cross Product

Laws of Operations

1. Commutative law is not valid

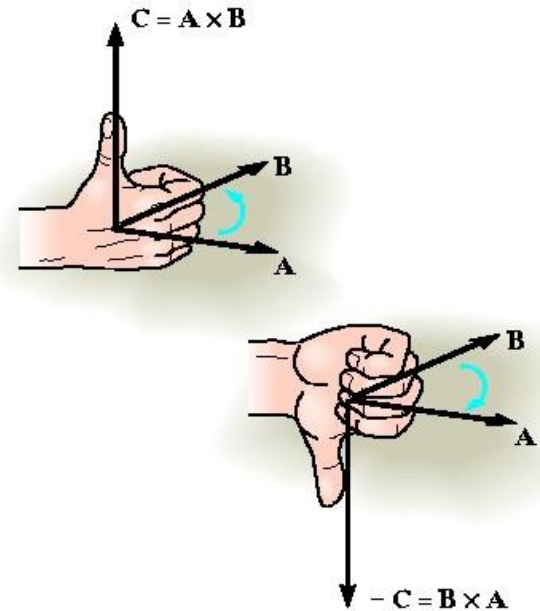
$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$$

Rather,

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$$

- Shown by the right hand rule
- Cross product $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ yields a vector opposite in direction to \mathbf{C}

$$\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A} = -\mathbf{C}$$



Cross Product

Laws of Operations

2. Multiplication by a Scalar

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

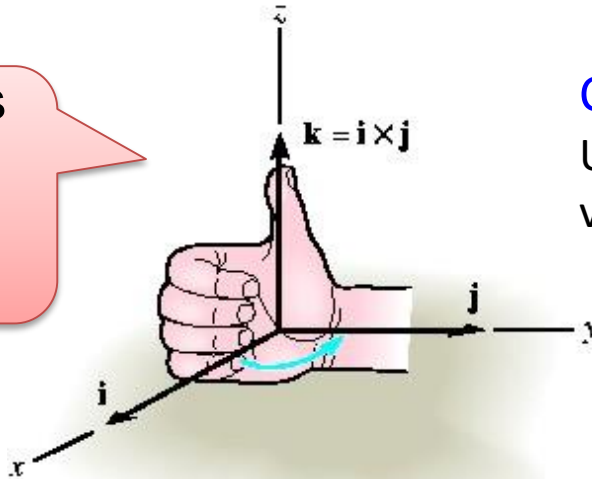
3. Distributive Law

$$\mathbf{A} \times (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) + (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{D})$$

- Proper order of the cross product must be maintained since they are not commutative

Cross Product

Direction is determined using right hand rule



Cartesian Vector Formulation

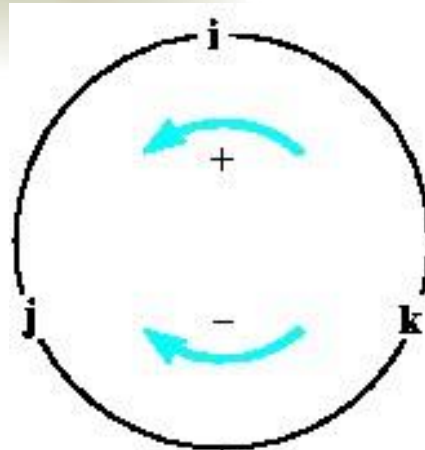
Use $C = AB \sin\theta$ on pair of Cartesian unit vectors

$$i \times j = k$$

$$\text{For } i \times j, (i)(j)(\sin 90^\circ) = (1)(1)(1) = 1$$

Use the circle for the results

- Crossing CCW yield positive
- CW yields negative results



vector crossed into itself is zero

$$i \times i = 0 \quad j \times j = 0 \quad k \times k = 0$$

$$i \times j = k$$

$$i \times k = -j$$

$$j \times k = i$$

$$k \times j = -i$$

$$k \times i = j$$

$$j \times i = -k$$

Cross Product Rules

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Cross product can be written as a determinant

Each component can be determined using 2x2 determinants

For element \mathbf{i} :

$$\begin{vmatrix} \oplus & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i}(A_y B_z - A_z B_y)$$

For element \mathbf{j} :

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \oplus & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = -\mathbf{j}(A_x B_z - A_z B_x)$$

For element \mathbf{k} :

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \oplus \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{k}(A_x B_y - A_y B_x)$$

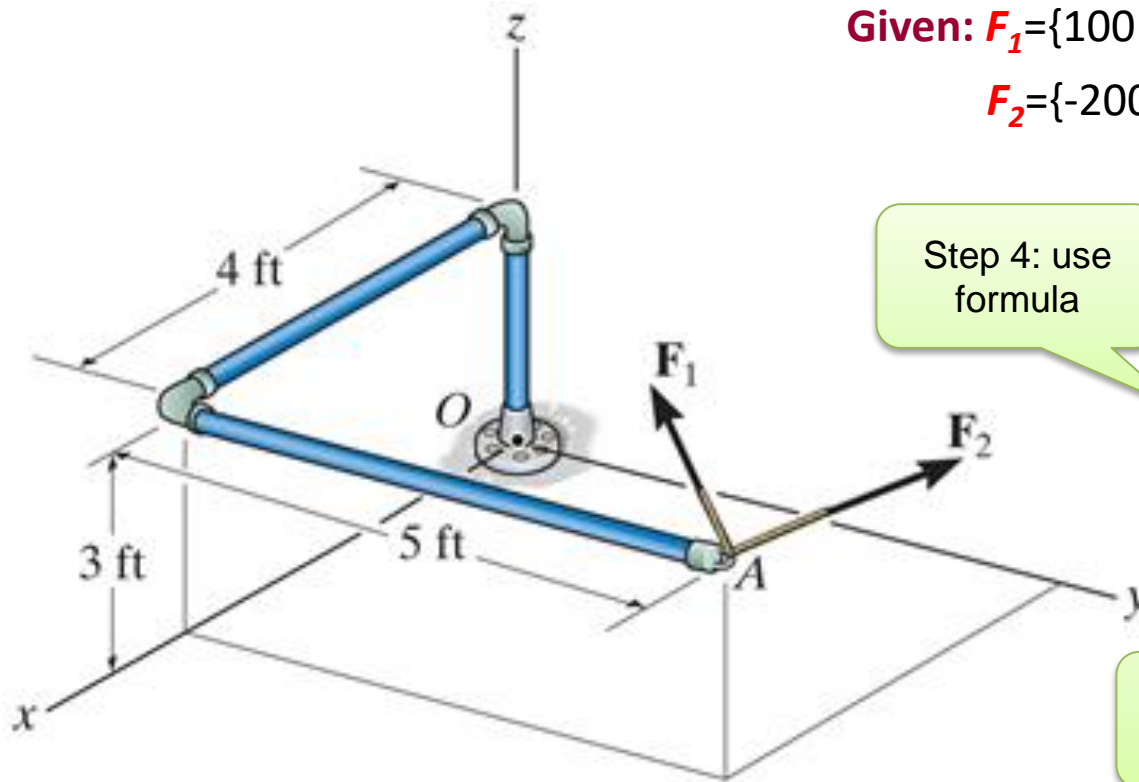
Remember the negative sign

Example 4.5

Determine the resultant moment by forces about point O

Given: $F_1 = \{100\mathbf{i} - 120\mathbf{j} + 75\mathbf{k}\}\text{lb}$

$F_2 = \{-200\mathbf{i} + 250\mathbf{j} + 100\mathbf{k}\}\text{lb}$



Step 4: use formula

$$F = F_1 + F_2$$

$$M_O = r_{OA} \times F$$

$r_{OA}?$

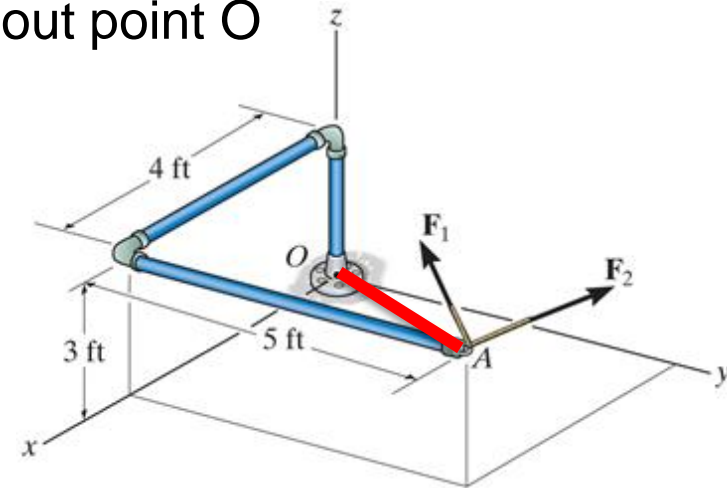
Solution Example 4.5

Determine the resultant moment by forces about point O

$$F = F_1 + F_2$$

$$= \{ (100 - 200) \mathbf{i} + (-120 + 250) \mathbf{j} + (75 + 100) \mathbf{k} \} \text{ lb}$$

$$= \{-100 \mathbf{i} + 130 \mathbf{j} + 175 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ lb}$$



$$r_{OA} = \{4 \mathbf{i} + 5 \mathbf{j} + 3 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ ft}$$

Use vector cross product

$$M_O = r_{OA} \times F$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_O &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 4 & 5 & 3 \\ -100 & 130 & 175 \end{vmatrix} = [\{5(175) - 3(130)\} \mathbf{i} - \{4(175) - \\ & 3(-100)\} \mathbf{j} + \{4(130) - 5(-100)\} \mathbf{k}] \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb} \\ &= \{485 \mathbf{i} - 1000 \mathbf{j} + 1020 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb} \end{aligned}$$

Example 4.6

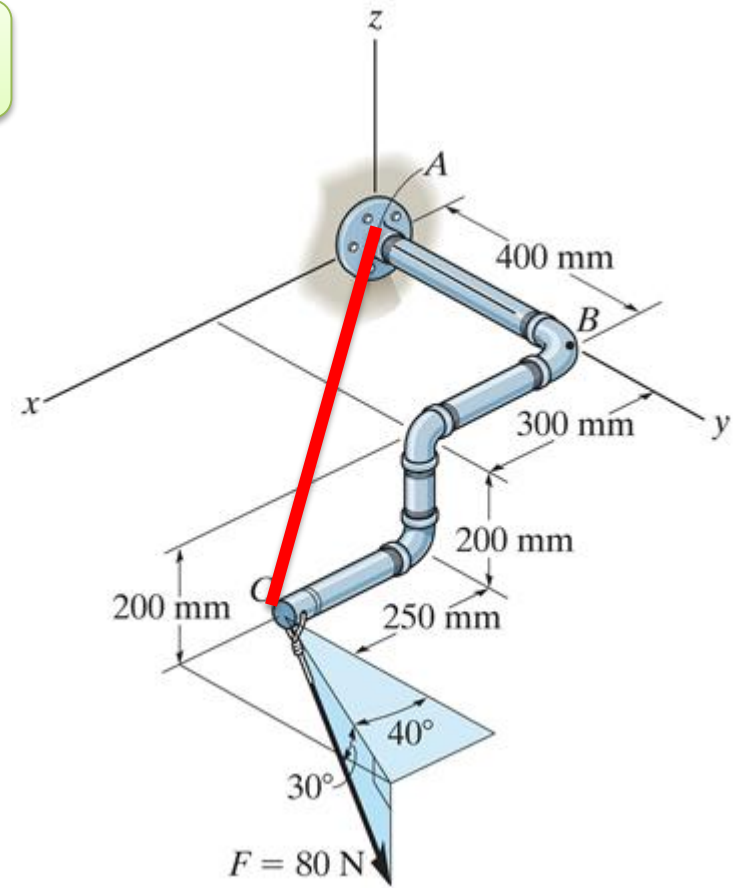
Determine the moment of F about point A

Step 4: use formula

$$M_O = r_{AC} \times F$$

$F?$

$r_{AC}?$



Solution Example 4.6

Determine the moment of F about point A

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F} &= \{ (80 \cos 30) \sin 40 \mathbf{i} \\ &\quad + (80 \cos 30) \cos 40 \mathbf{j} - 80 \sin 30 \mathbf{k} \} \text{ N} \\ &= \{ 44.53 \mathbf{i} + 53.07 \mathbf{j} - 40 \mathbf{k} \} \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

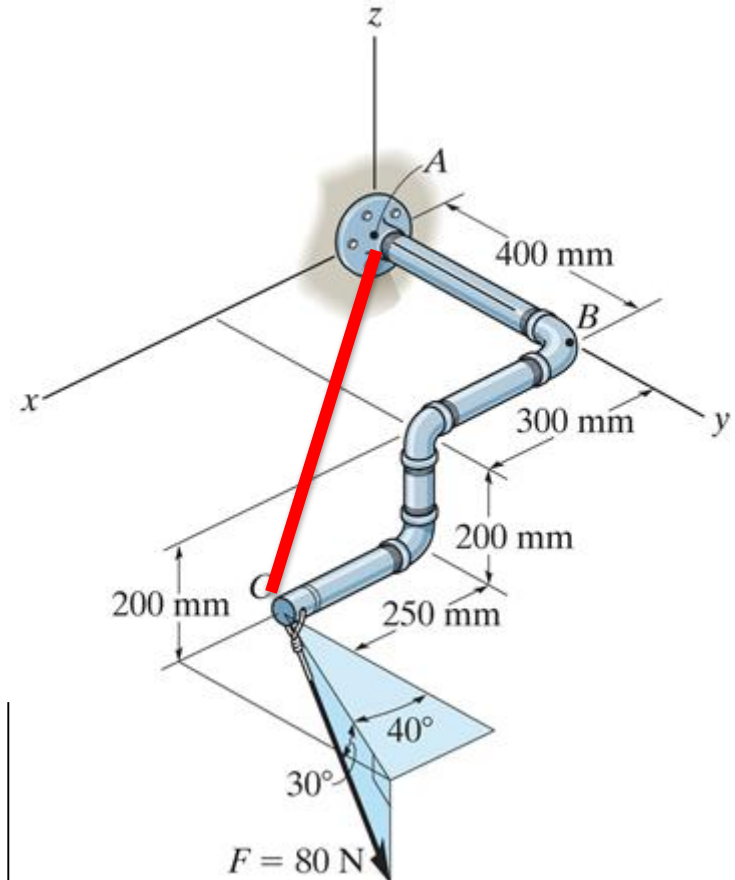
$$\mathbf{r}_{AC} = \{ 0.55 \mathbf{i} + 0.4 \mathbf{j} - 0.2 \mathbf{k} \} \text{ m}$$

Det. moment
by using cross
product

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r}_{AC} \times \mathbf{F}$$

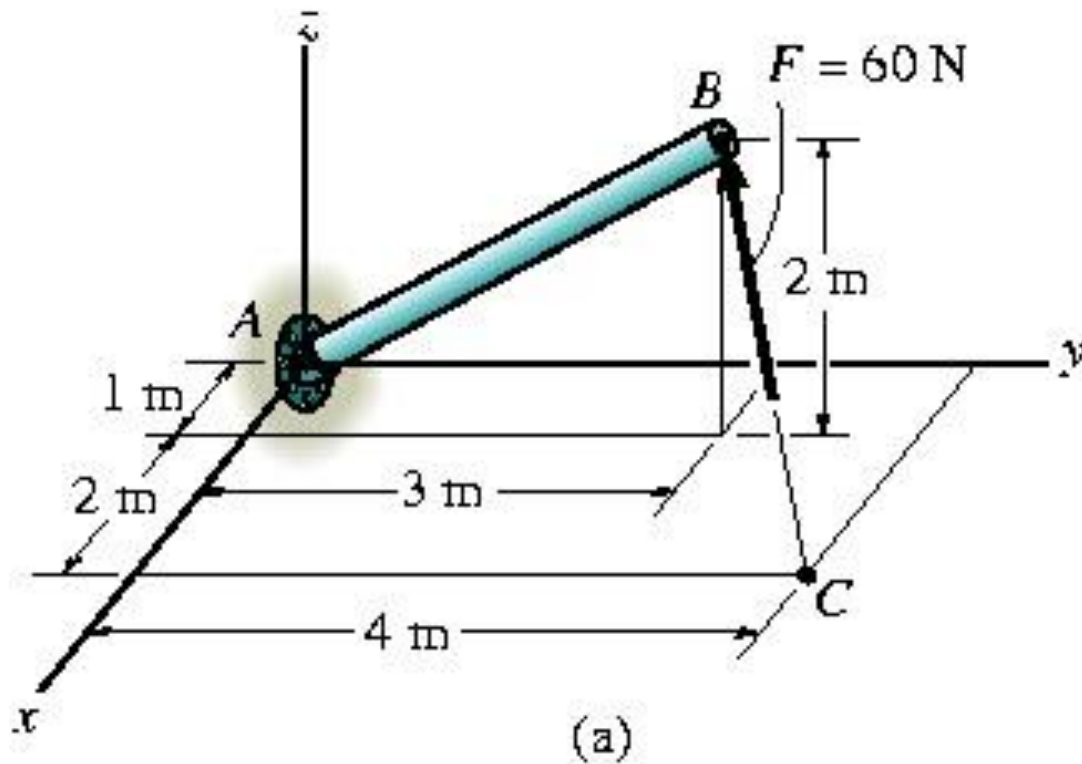
$$\mathbf{M}_A = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.55 & 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 44.53 & 53.07 & -40 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \{ -5.39 \mathbf{i} + 13.1 \mathbf{j} + 11.4 \mathbf{k} \} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$



Example 4.7

The pole is subjected to a 60N force that is directed from C to B. Determine the magnitude of the moment created by this force about the support at A



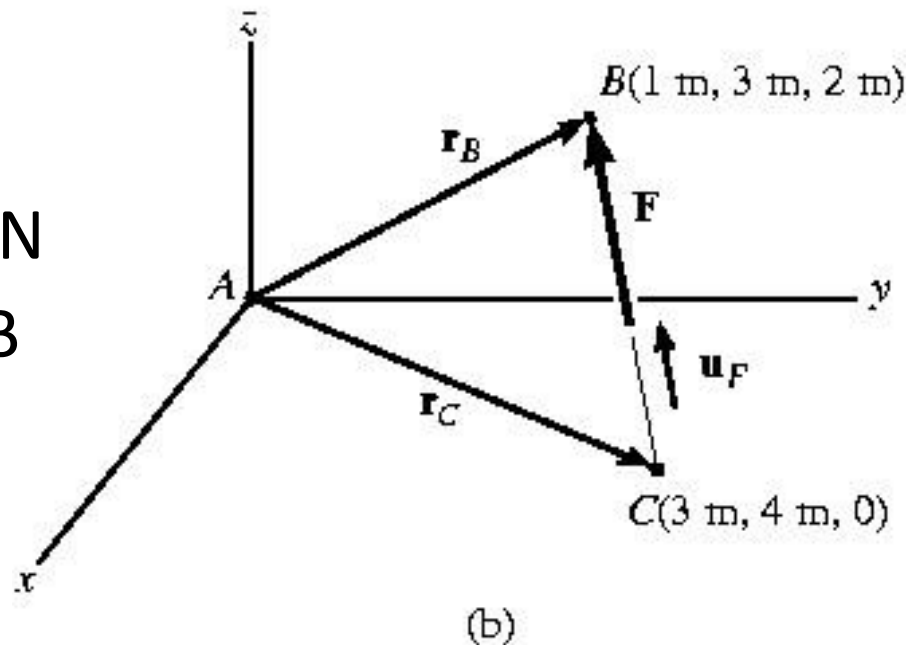
Solution example 4.7

- Either one of the two position vectors can be used for the solution, since $\mathbf{M}_A = \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{F}$ or $\mathbf{M}_A = \mathbf{r}_C \times \mathbf{F}$
- Position vectors are represented as

$$\mathbf{r}_B = \{1\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m and}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_C = \{3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m}$$

- Force \mathbf{F} has magnitude 60N and is directed from C to B

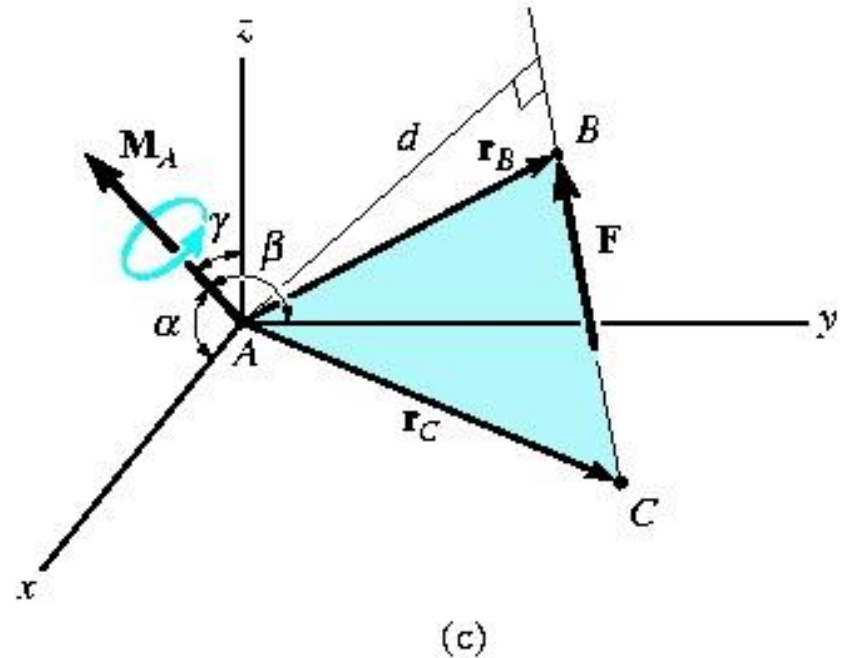


Solution example 4.7

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F} &= (60N)\vec{u}_F \\ &= (60N) \left[\frac{(1-3)\vec{i} + 93-4)\vec{j} + 92-0)\vec{k}}{\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-1)^2 + (2)^2}} \right] \\ &= \{-40\vec{i} - 20\vec{j} + 40\vec{k}\}N\end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{M}_A = \vec{r}_B \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ -40 & -20 & 40 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \{[3(40) - 2(-20)]\vec{i} - [1(40) - 2(-40)]\vec{j} + [1(-20) - 3(40)]\vec{k}\}$$



Solution example 4.7

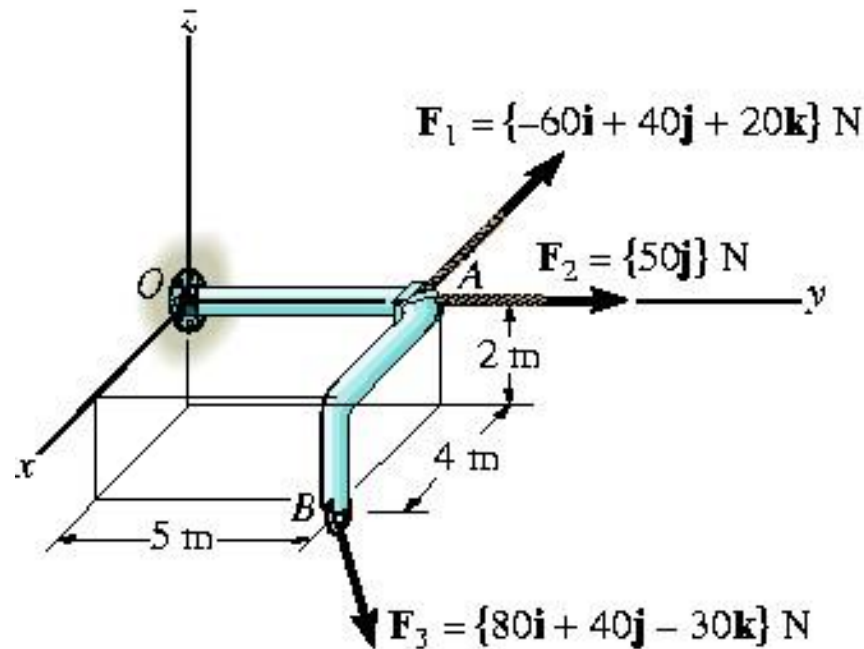
$$\vec{M}_A = \vec{r}_C \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 3 & 4 & 0 \\ -40 & -20 & 40 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \{ [4(40) - 0(-20)]\vec{i} - [3(40) - 0(-40)]\vec{j} + [3(-20) - 4(40)]\vec{k} \}$$

$$\vec{M}_A = \{ 160\vec{i} - 120\vec{j} + 100\vec{k} \} N.m$$

$$|\vec{M}_A| = \sqrt{(160)^2 + (120)^2 + (100)^2}$$
$$= 224 N.m$$

Example 4.8

Three forces act on the rod. Determine the resultant moment they create about the flange at O and determine the coordinate direction angles of the moment axis



(a)

Solution example 4.8

Position vectors are directed from point O to each force

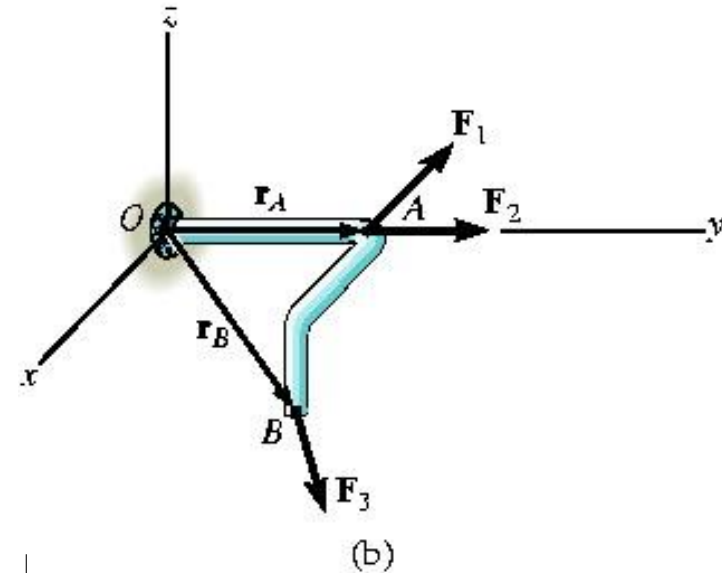
$$\mathbf{r}_A = \{5\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m and}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_B = \{4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

For resultant moment about O,

$$\vec{M}_{Ro} = \Sigma(\vec{r} \times \vec{F}) = \vec{r}_A \times \vec{F}_1 + \vec{r}_B \times \vec{F}_2 + \vec{r}_C \times \vec{F}_3$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -60 & 40 & 20 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 50 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 4 & 5 & -2 \\ 80 & 40 & -30 \end{vmatrix} = \{30\vec{i} - 40\vec{j} + 60\vec{k}\} \text{ N.m}$$



Solution example 4.8

For **magnitude**

$$|\vec{M}_{Ro}| = \sqrt{(30)^2 + (-40)^2 + (60)^2} = 78.10 \text{ N.m}$$

For unit vector defining the **direction** of moment axis,

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{u} &= \frac{\vec{M}_{Ro}}{|\vec{M}_{Ro}|} = \frac{30\vec{i} - 40\vec{j} + 60\vec{k}}{78.10} \\ &= 0.3941\vec{i} - 0.5121\vec{j} + 0.76852\vec{k}\end{aligned}$$

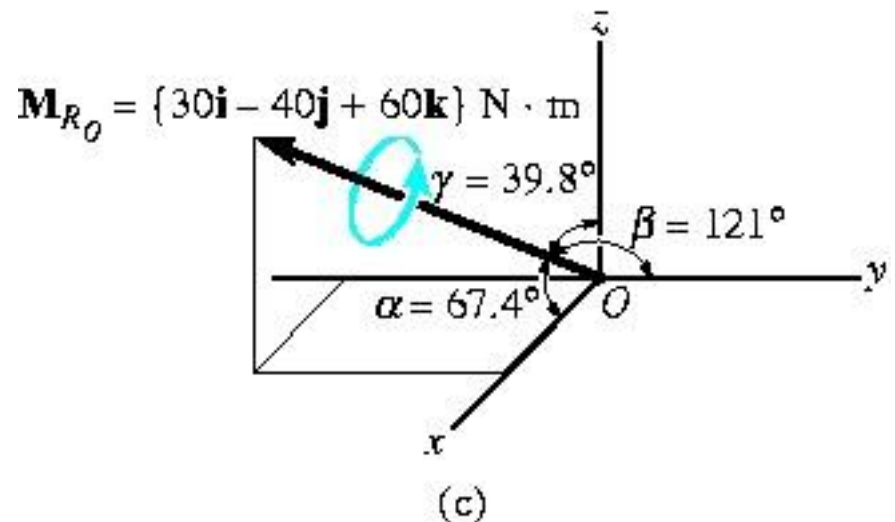
Solution example 4.8

For the coordinate angles of the moment axis,

$$\cos \alpha = 0.3841; \alpha = 67.4^\circ$$

$$\cos \beta = -0.5121; \beta = 121^\circ$$

$$\cos \gamma = 0.7682; \gamma = 39.8^\circ$$



Conclusion of The Chapter 4

- Conclusions
 - The Moment of a Force been identified
 - The Vector cross product have been implemented to solve Moment problems in Coplanar Forces Systems



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