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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, $14^{\text {th }}$ 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


### 4.3 Moment of a Couple

A couple is defined as two parallel forces with the same magnitude but opposite in direction separated by a perpendicular distance "d."

- The moment of a couple is defined as
- Resultant force = 0
- Tendency to rotate in specified direction
- Couple moment is a free vector
- It can be compute d by any point
- Choose the line action of one of the force in the couple
- A resultant couple moment = sum of the couple moments of the system
- $\mathbf{M}_{\mathrm{R}}=\mathrm{M}_{1}+\mathrm{M}_{2}$

$M_{0}=F d$ (using a scalar analysis)
$M_{0}=r \times F$ (using a vector analysis)
$r$ is any position vector from the line of action of $F$ to the line of action of $F$


### 4.3 Moment of a Couple



- The net external effect of a couple is that the net force equals zero and the magnitude of the net moment equals F *d.
- Since the moment of a couple depends only on the distance between the forces, the moment of a couple is a free vector.
- It can be moved anywhere on the body and have the same external effect on the body.



## Application (Moment of a Couple )



A torque or moment of $12 \mathrm{~N} \cdot \mathrm{~m}$ is required to rotate the wheel. Why does one of the two grips of the wheel above require less force to rotate the wheel?

## Application (Moment of a Couple )

- When you grip a vehicle's steering wheel with both hands and turn, a couple moment is applied to the wheel


Would older vehicles without power steering have needed larger or smaller steering wheels?

## Example 4.15

Two couples act on the beam with the geometry shown. Determine the magnitude of $F$ so that the resultant couple moment is $1.5 \mathrm{kN} . \mathrm{m}$ clockwise


## Solution Example 4.15

Net moment $=$
$1.5 \mathrm{kN} . \mathrm{m}$

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\mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{O}}=\mathrm{Fd}
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- The net moment is equal to:

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\begin{aligned}
+\Sigma \mathrm{M} & =-\mathrm{F}(0.9)+(2)(0.3) \\
& =-0.9 \mathrm{~F}+0.6
\end{aligned}
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-1.5 \mathrm{kN} \cdot \mathrm{~m}=-0.9 \mathrm{~F}+0.6
$$

- Solving for force $F$, $\mathrm{F}=2.33 \mathrm{kN}$


## Example 4.16

A 450 N force couple acting on the pipe as shown. Determine the couple moment in cartesian vector notation.


1) Use $M=r \times F$ to find the couple moment
2) Set $r=r_{A B}$ and $F=$ $F_{B}$
3) Write in the cross product to find $M$

## Solution Example 4.16

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\begin{aligned}
& r_{A B}=\{0.4 i\} \mathrm{m} \\
& \boldsymbol{F}_{B}=\{0 i+450(4 / 5) j-450(3 / 5) k\} \mathrm{N} \\
&=\{0 i+360 j-270 k\} \mathrm{N} \\
& M=r_{A B} \times \boldsymbol{F}_{B} \\
&=\left|\begin{array}{ccc}
i & j & k \\
0.4 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 360 & -270
\end{array}\right| \mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{~m} \\
&=[\{0(-270)-0(360)\} i-\{4(-270)-0(0)\} j+\{0.4(360)-0(0)\} \mathrm{k}] \mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{~m} \\
& \mathrm{M}=\{\underline{0} \boldsymbol{i}+\underline{108} \boldsymbol{j}+\underline{144}\} \underline{\mathrm{k} \cdot \mathrm{~m}}
\end{aligned}
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## Example 4.17

Two couples act on the beam with the geometry shown and $\mathrm{d}=4 \mathrm{ft}$. Determine the resultant couple.


## Solution Example 4.17



The x and y components of the upperleft 50 lb force are:
$50 \mathrm{lb}\left(\cos 30^{\circ}\right)=43.30 \mathrm{lb}$ vertically up
$50 \mathrm{lb}\left(\sin 30^{\circ}\right)=25 \mathrm{lb}$ to the right

Do both of these components form couples with their matching components of the other 50 force?

No! Only the 43.30 lb components create a couple. Why?

## Solution Example 4.17



Now resolve the lower 80 lb force:
(80 lb) (3/5), acting up
(80 lb) (4/5), acting to the right

The net moment is equal to:
$+\Sigma \mathrm{M}=-(43.3 \mathrm{lb})(3 \mathrm{ft})+(64 \mathrm{lb})(4$
$\mathrm{ft})$

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\begin{aligned}
& =-129.9+256 \\
& =126 \mathrm{ft} \cdot \mathrm{lb} \mathrm{CCW}
\end{aligned}
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## Example 4.18

Two couples act on the beam with the geometry shown. $F=\{80 \mathrm{k}\} \mathrm{N}$ and $-F=\{-80 k\} N$. Determine The couple moment acting on the pipe assembly using Cartesian vector notation


1) Use $M=r \times F$ to find the couple moment.
2) Set $r=r_{A B}$ and $F=\{80 k\}$ N.
3) Write the cross product to determine $M$.

## Solution Example 4.18

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\begin{aligned}
r_{A B} & =\{(0.3-0.2) i+(0.8-0.3) j+(0-0 .) k\} \mathrm{m} \\
& =\{0.1 i+0.5 j\} \mathrm{m} \\
F & =\{80 k\} \mathrm{N} \\
M & =r_{A B} \times \boldsymbol{F}=\left|\begin{array}{ccc}
i & j & k \\
0.1 & 0.5 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 80
\end{array}\right| \mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{~m}^{200 \mathrm{~mm}}
\end{aligned}
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=\{(40-0) i-(8-0) j+(0) k\} \mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{~m}
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=\{\underline{40} i \underline{-8} j\} \underline{\mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{~m}}
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## Conclusion of The Chapter 4

- Conclusions
- The Moment of couple has been identified
- The scalar and vector analysis have been implemented to solve Moment problems in specified axis



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