



Aviation Department

First Grade- Spring Semester

Moment of Force (Lecture 5)

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Lecture Content:

- Moment of a Force - Scalar Formulation
- Cross Product
- Moment of a Force -Vector Formulation
- Solving Related examples

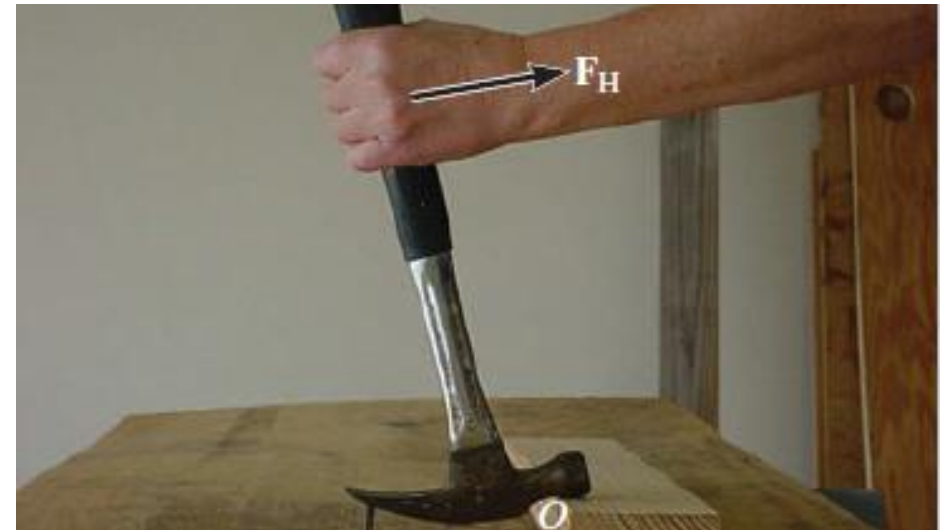
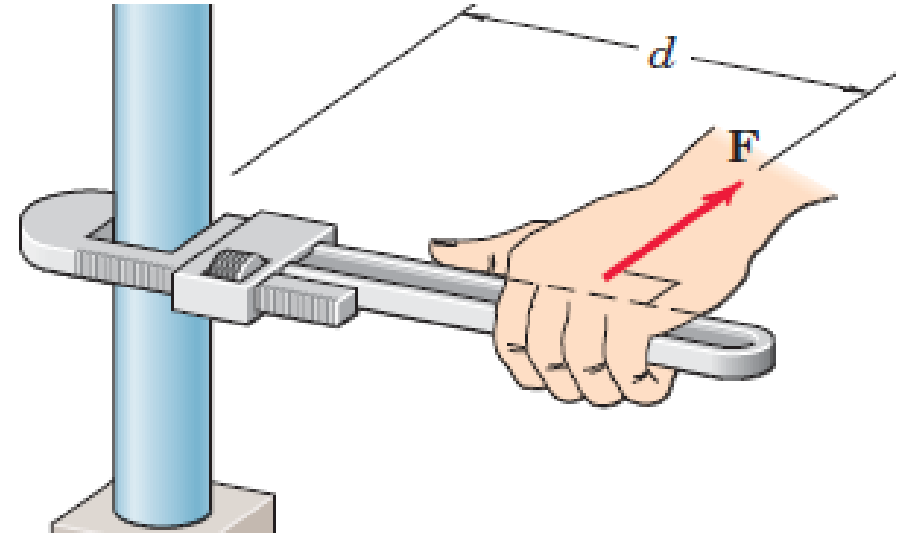
Learning Outcomes:

At the end of this lecture, you will be able to:

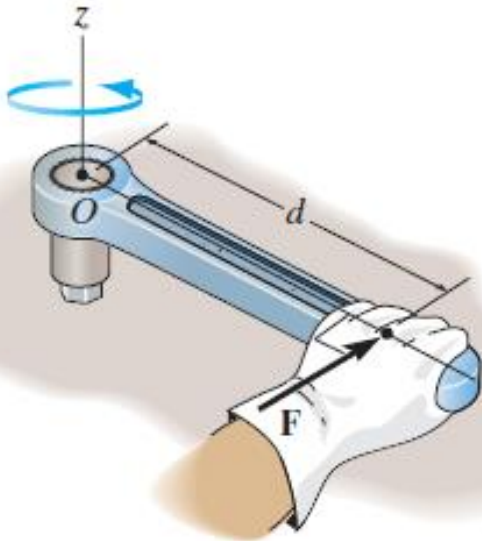
- Evaluate the concept of moment of a force.
- Compute a moment vector in terms of a force vector.
- Calculate the moment of a force in 2D and 3D.
- Solving problems using related equations

What is a Moment :

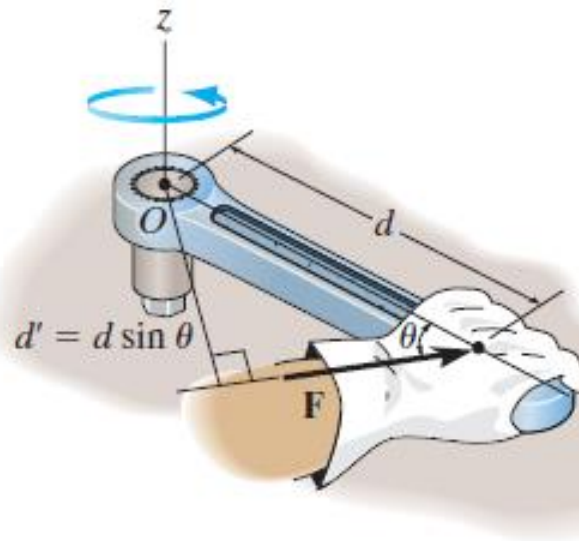
- A force can also tend to rotate a body about a point or an axis.
- The axis may be any line which neither intersects nor is parallel to the line of action of the force.
- This rotational tendency is known as the **moment** “***M***” of the force.
- Moment is also referred to as **torque**.



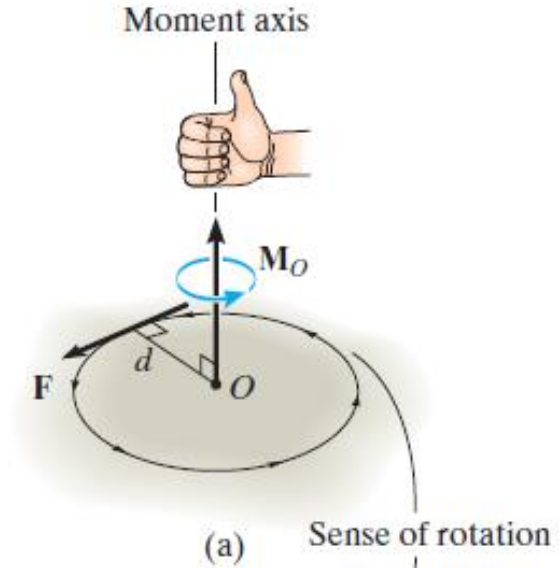
• **Moment about, a Point (Scalar Formation):**



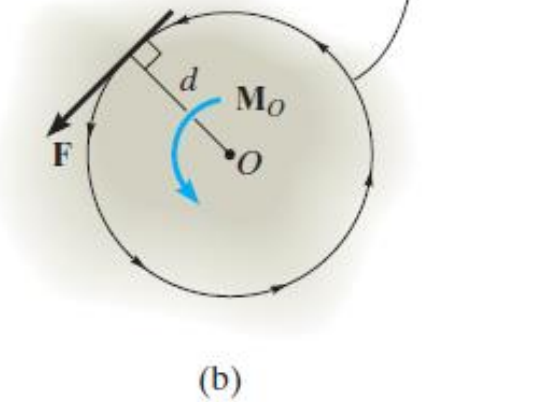
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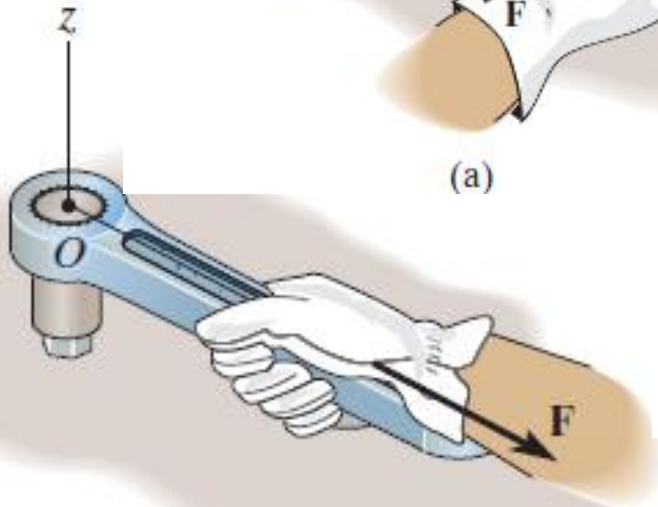
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(a) Sense of rotation



(b)

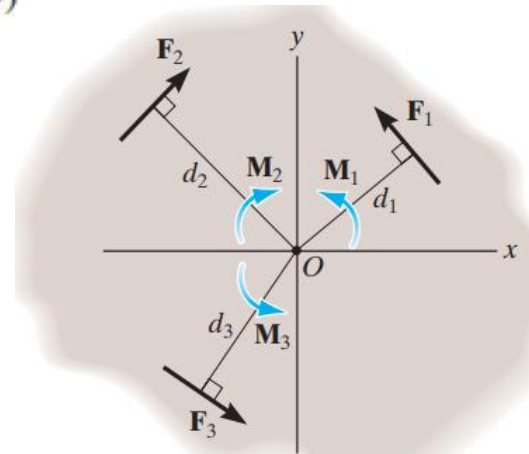


The magnitude of M_O is

$$M_O = Fd$$

$$\zeta + (M_R)_O = \sum Fd;$$

$$(M_R)_O = F_1d_1 - F_2d_2 + F_3d_3$$

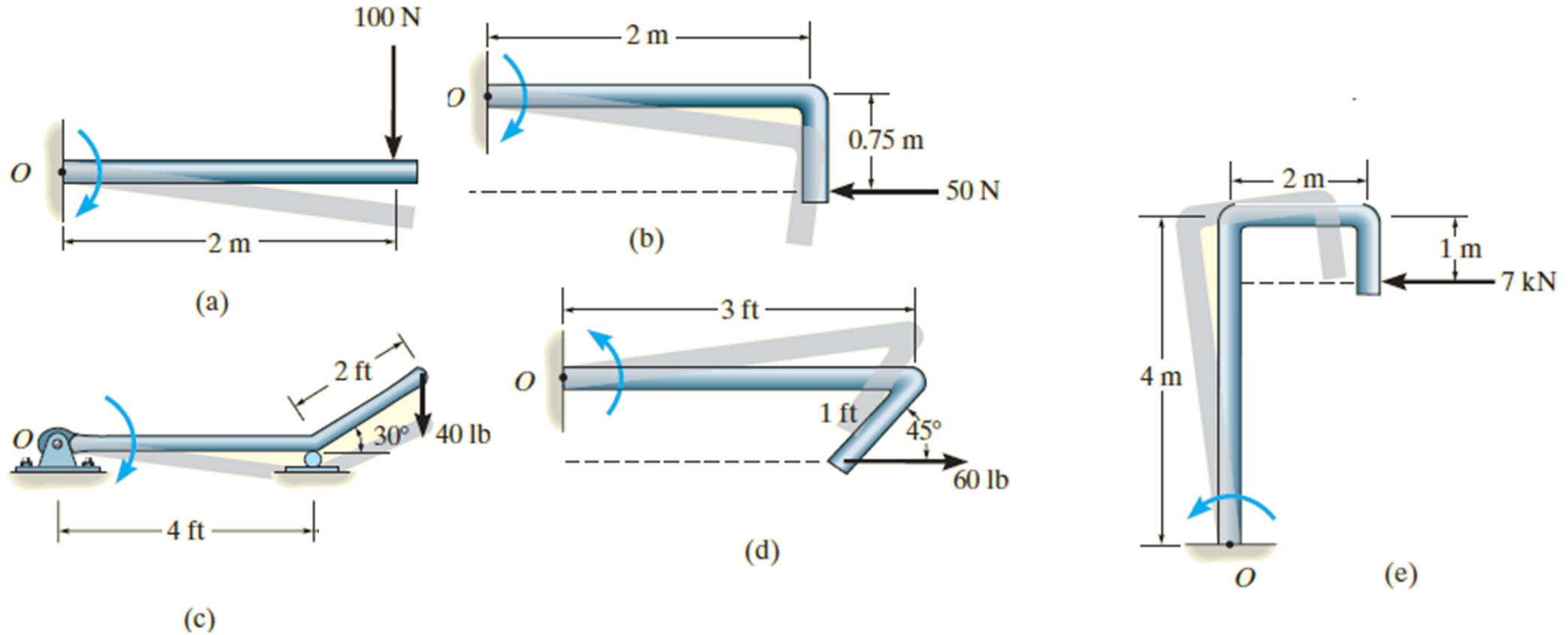


Its moment arm will be zero since the line of action of \mathbf{F} will intersect point O (the z axis).

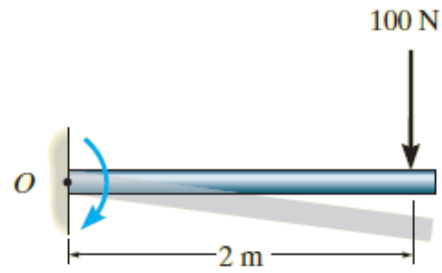
- Plus, sign (+) for counterclockwise moments and a minus sign (−) for clockwise moments.
- The basic units of moment in SI units are newton-meters (N. m), and in the U.S. customary system are pound-feet (lb-ft).

Example 1:

For each case illustrated in Figure shown, determine the moment of the force about point O .

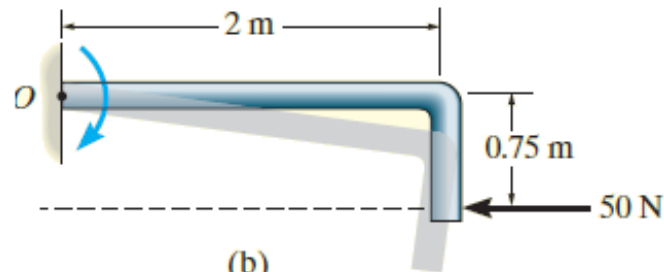


Solution:



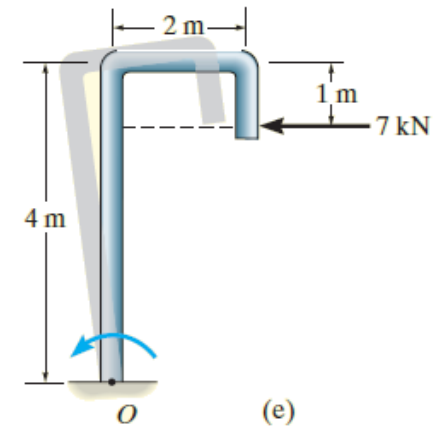
(a)

$$(a) \quad M_O = (100 \text{ N})(2 \text{ m}) = 200 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \curvearrowright$$



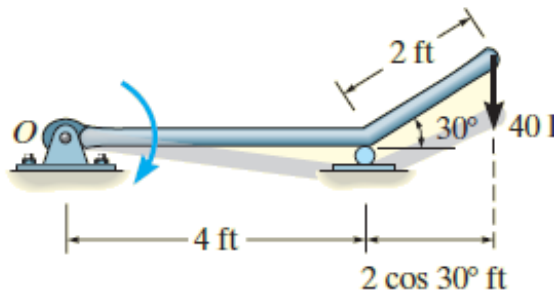
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$$(b) \quad M_O = (50 \text{ N})(0.75 \text{ m}) = 37.5 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \curvearrowright$$



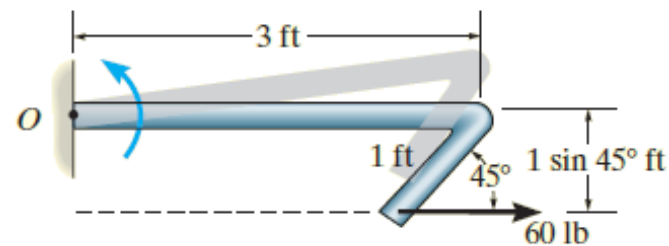
(e)

$$(e) \quad M_O = (7 \text{ kN})(4 \text{ m} - 1 \text{ m}) = 21.0 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \curvearrowright$$



(c)

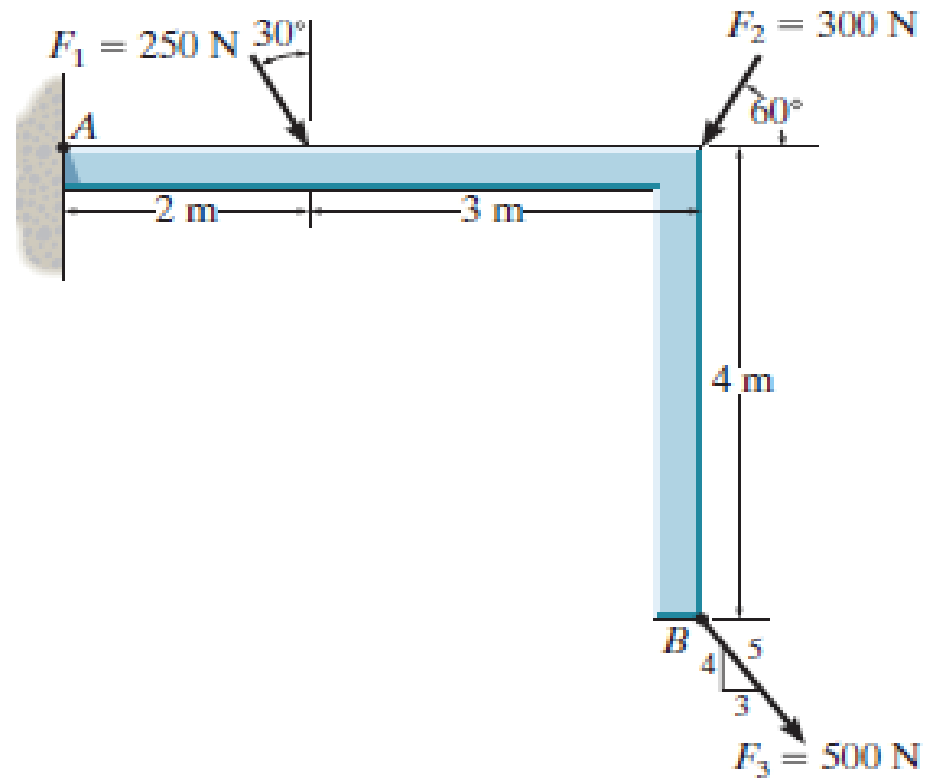
$$(c) \quad M_O = (40 \text{ lb})(4 \text{ ft} + 2 \cos 30^\circ \text{ ft}) = 229 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft} \curvearrowright$$



(d)

$$(d) \quad M_O = (60 \text{ lb})(1 \sin 45^\circ \text{ ft}) = 42.4 \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft} \curvearrowright$$

Example 2: Determine the moment of each of the three forces about point A.



SOLUTION

The moment arm measured perpendicular to each force from point A is

$$d_1 = 2 \sin 60^\circ = 1.732 \text{ m}$$

$$d_2 = 5 \sin 60^\circ = 4.330 \text{ m}$$

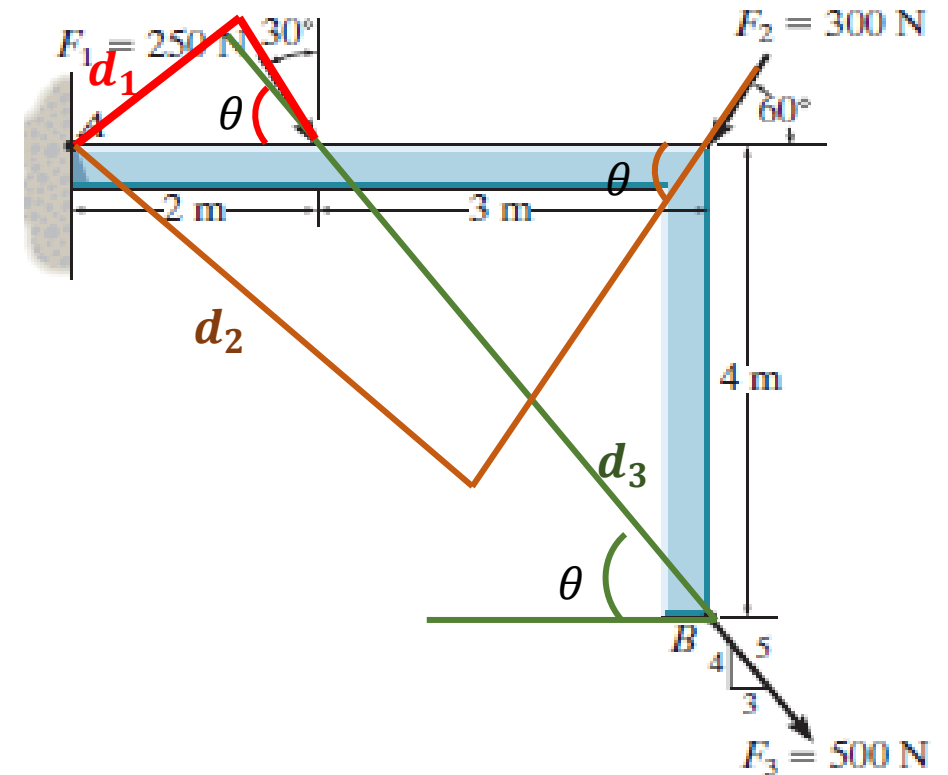
$$d_3 = 2 \sin 53.13^\circ = 1.60 \text{ m}$$

Using each force where $M_A = Fd$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + (M_{F_1})_A &= -250(1.732) \\ &= -433 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 433 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (Clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$

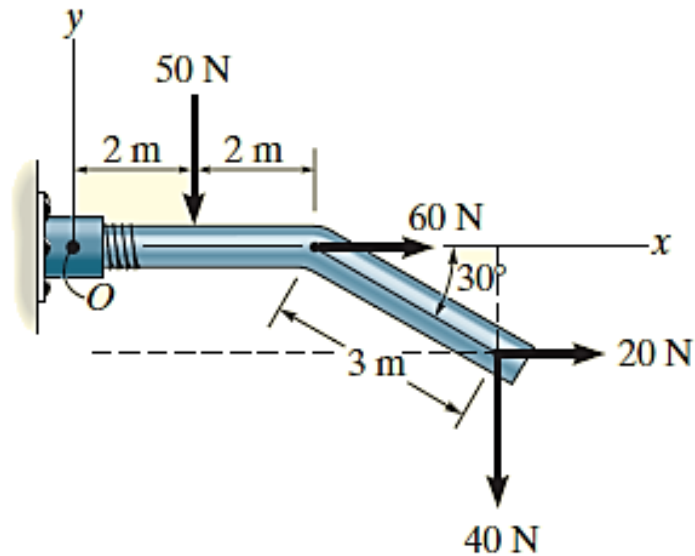
$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + (M_{F_2})_A &= -300(4.330) \\ &= -1299 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 1.30 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (Clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + (M_{F_3})_A &= -500(1.60) \\ &= -800 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 800 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (Clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$



Example 3:

Determine the resultant moment of the four forces acting on the rod shown in Figure about point O .



SOLUTION

Assuming that positive moments act in the $+k$ direction, i.e., counterclockwise, we have

$$\zeta + (M_R)_O = \Sigma Fd;$$

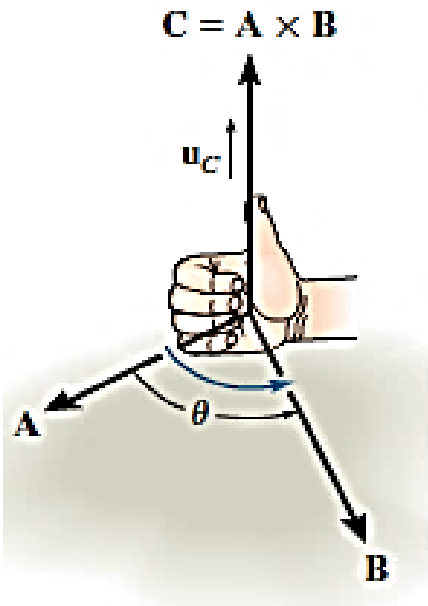
$$(M_R)_O = -50 \text{ N}(2 \text{ m}) + 60 \text{ N}(0) + 20 \text{ N}(3 \sin 30^\circ \text{ m}) \\ -40 \text{ N}(4 \text{ m} + 3 \cos 30^\circ \text{ m})$$

$$(M_R)_O = -334 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 334 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \curvearrowright$$

Ans.

• Cross Product, [click here](#):

It is a useful approach to find the vector which is perpendicular to a plane formed by two vectors.



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

Magnitude. The *magnitude* of \mathbf{C} is defined as the product of the magnitudes of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} and the sine of the angle θ between their tails ($0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$). Thus, $C = AB \sin \theta$.

Laws of Operation.

- The commutative law is *not* valid; i.e., $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$. Rather,

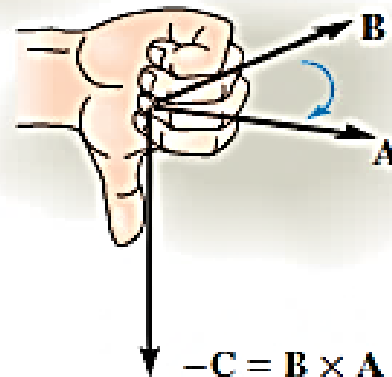
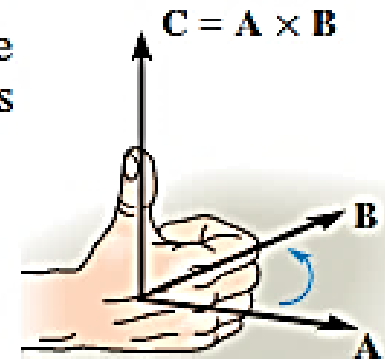
$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}$$

- If the cross product is multiplied by a scalar a , it obeys the associative law;

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

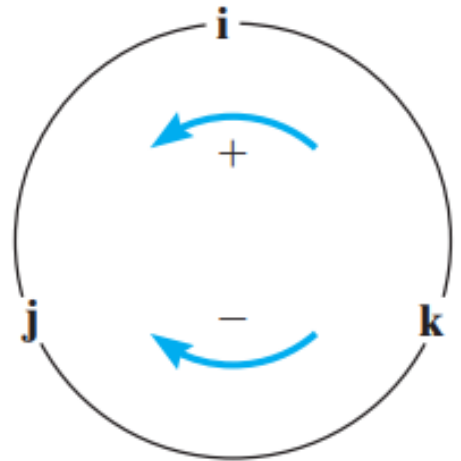
- The vector cross product also obeys the distributive law of addition.

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



• Cartesian Vector Formulation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} &= \mathbf{k} & \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k} &= -\mathbf{j} & \mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i} &= \mathbf{0} \\
 \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k} &= \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i} &= -\mathbf{k} & \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j} &= \mathbf{0} \\
 \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i} &= \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j} &= -\mathbf{i} & \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k} &= \mathbf{0}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} &= (A_x\mathbf{i} + A_y\mathbf{j} + A_z\mathbf{k}) \times (B_x\mathbf{i} + B_y\mathbf{j} + B_z\mathbf{k}) \\
 &= A_xB_x(\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_xB_y(\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_xB_z(\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{k}) \\
 &\quad + A_yB_x(\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_yB_y(\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_yB_z(\mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{k}) \\
 &\quad + A_zB_x(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{i}) + A_zB_y(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{j}) + A_zB_z(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{k}) \\
 \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} &= (A_yB_z - A_zB_y)\mathbf{i} - (A_xB_z - A_zB_x)\mathbf{j} + (A_xB_y - A_yB_x)\mathbf{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

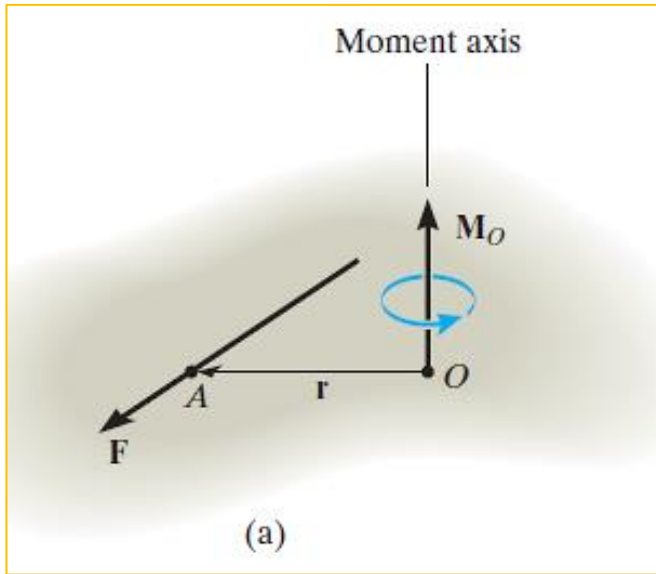
For element i: $\begin{vmatrix} \oplus & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i}(A_yB_z - A_zB_y)$

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

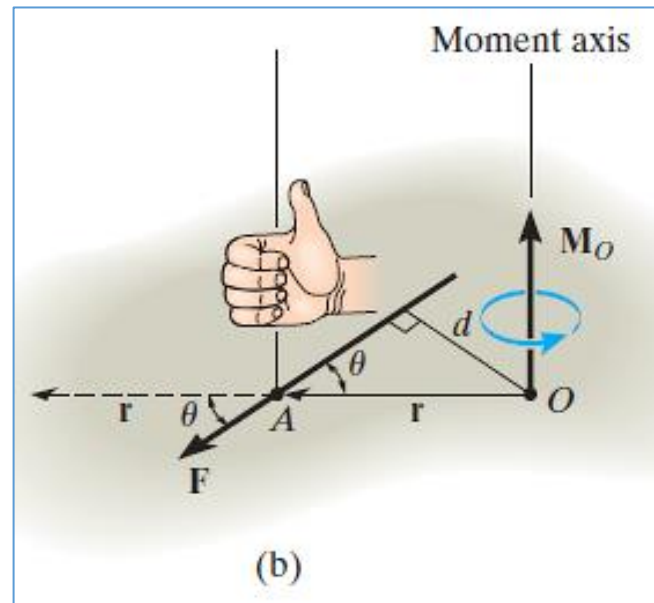
For element k: $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \oplus \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{k}(A_xB_y - A_yB_x)$

Remember the negative sign

• **Moment of an axis passing through point O (Vector Formulation):**



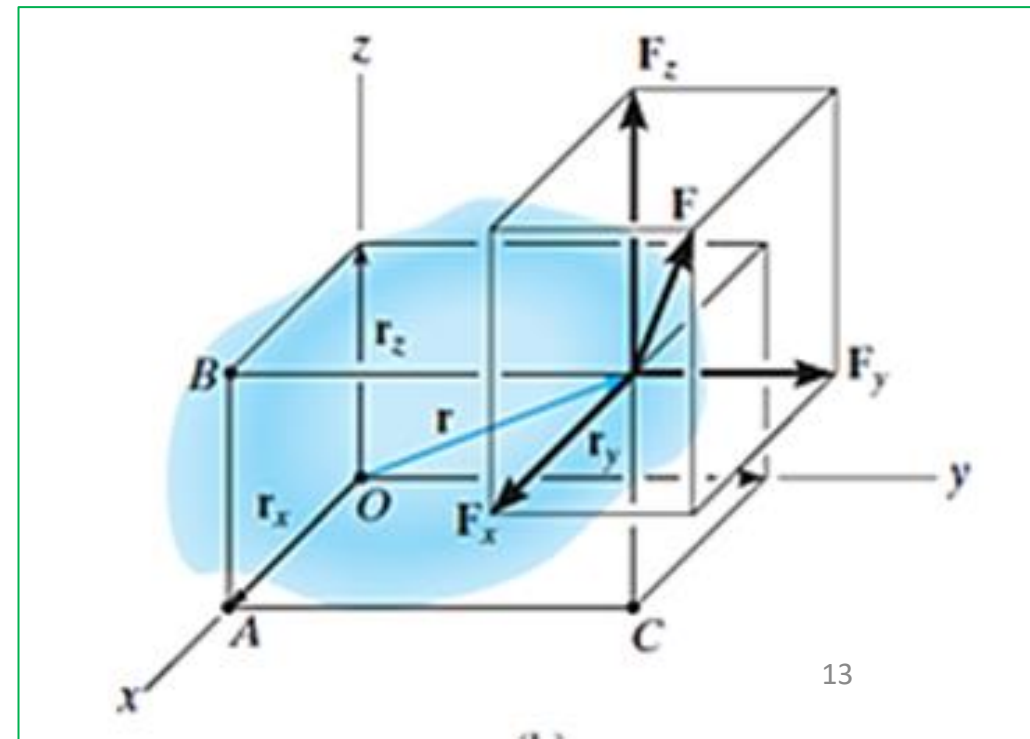
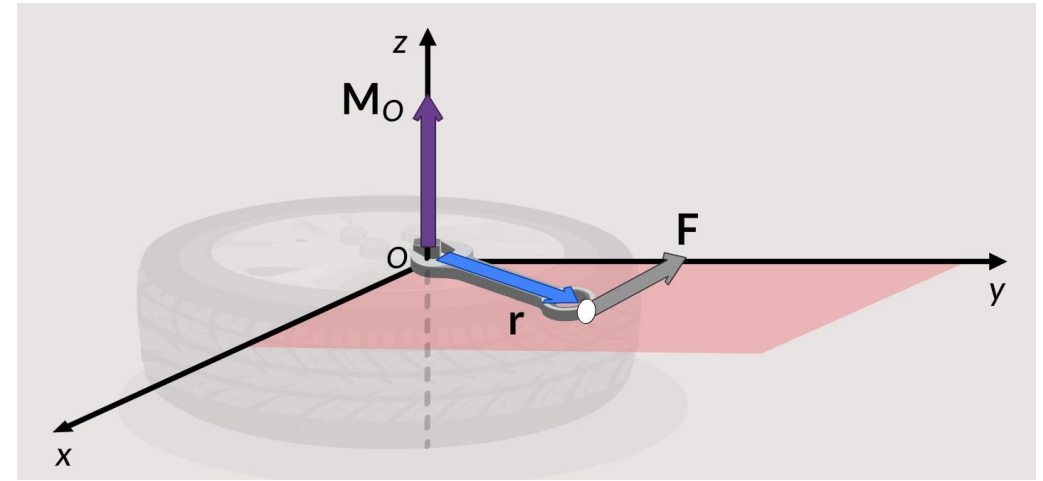
$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$



$$M_O = rF \sin \theta = F(r \sin \theta) = Fd$$

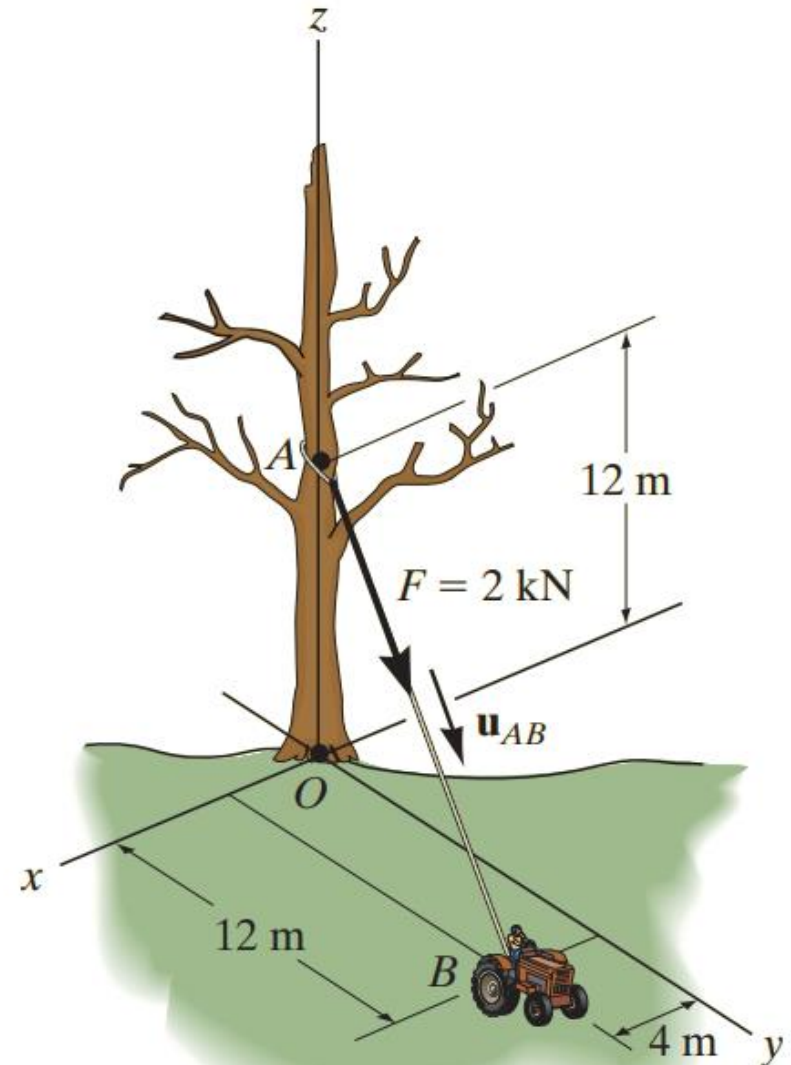
$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ r_x & r_y & r_z \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix}$$

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



Example 4:

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



(a)

SOLUTION

As shown in Fig. either \mathbf{r}_A or \mathbf{r}_B can be used to determine the moment about point O . These position vectors are

$$\mathbf{r}_A = \{12\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m and } \mathbf{r}_B = \{4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m}$$

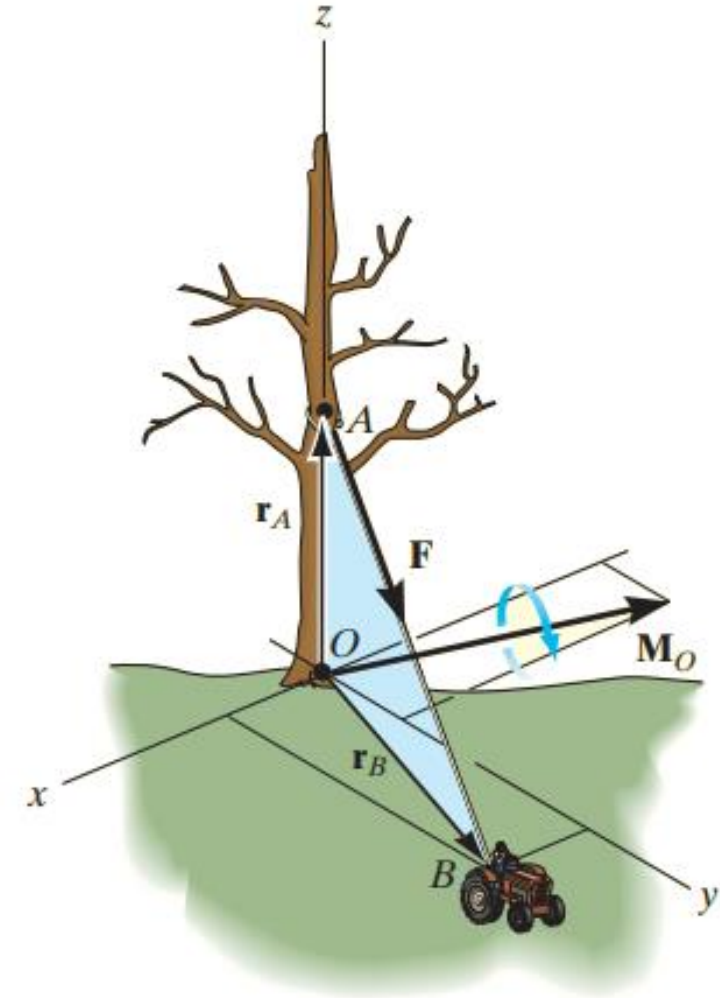
Force \mathbf{F} expressed as a Cartesian vector is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F} &= F\mathbf{u}_{AB} = 2 \text{ kN} \left[\frac{\{4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}}{\sqrt{(4 \text{ m})^2 + (12 \text{ m})^2 + (-12 \text{ m})^2}} \right] \\ &= \{0.4588\mathbf{i} + 1.376\mathbf{j} - 1.376\mathbf{k}\} \text{ kN}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 0 & 12 \\ 0.4588 & 1.376 & -1.376 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= [0(-1.376) - 12(1.376)]\mathbf{i} - [0(-1.376) - 12(0.4588)]\mathbf{j} \\ &\quad + [0(1.376) - 0(0.4588)]\mathbf{k} \\ &= \{-16.5\mathbf{i} + 5.51\mathbf{j}\} \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}\end{aligned}$$

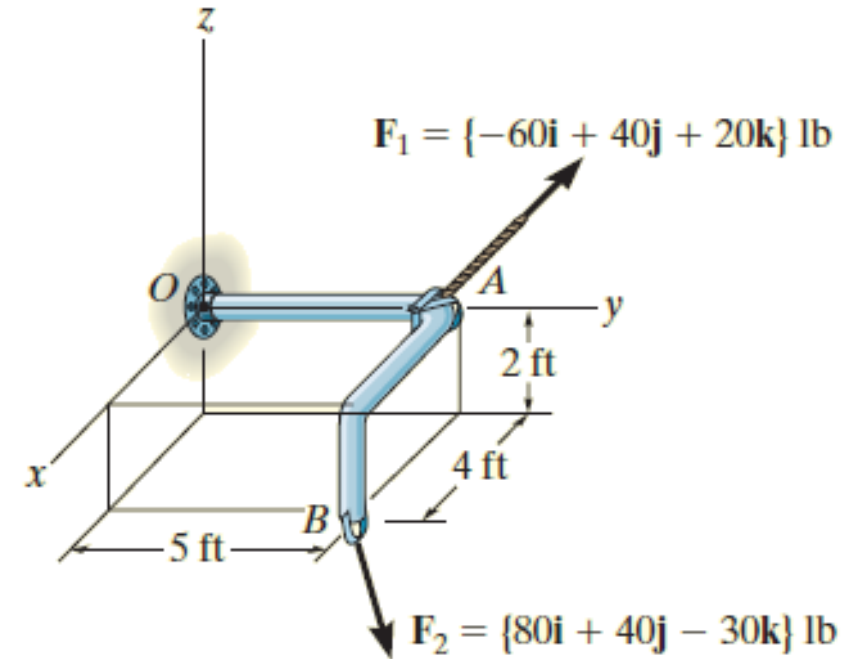
Ans.



(b)

Example 5:

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



Solution:

Position vectors are directed from point O to each force as shown in

Figure These vectors are

$$\mathbf{r}_A = \{5\mathbf{j}\} \text{ ft}$$

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

$$O = (0\mathbf{i}, 0\mathbf{j}, 0\mathbf{k})$$

$$A = (0\mathbf{i}, 5\mathbf{j}, 0\mathbf{k})$$

$$B = (4\mathbf{i}, 5\mathbf{j}, -2\mathbf{k})$$

The resultant moment about O is therefore

$$(\mathbf{M}_R)_O = \Sigma(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})$$

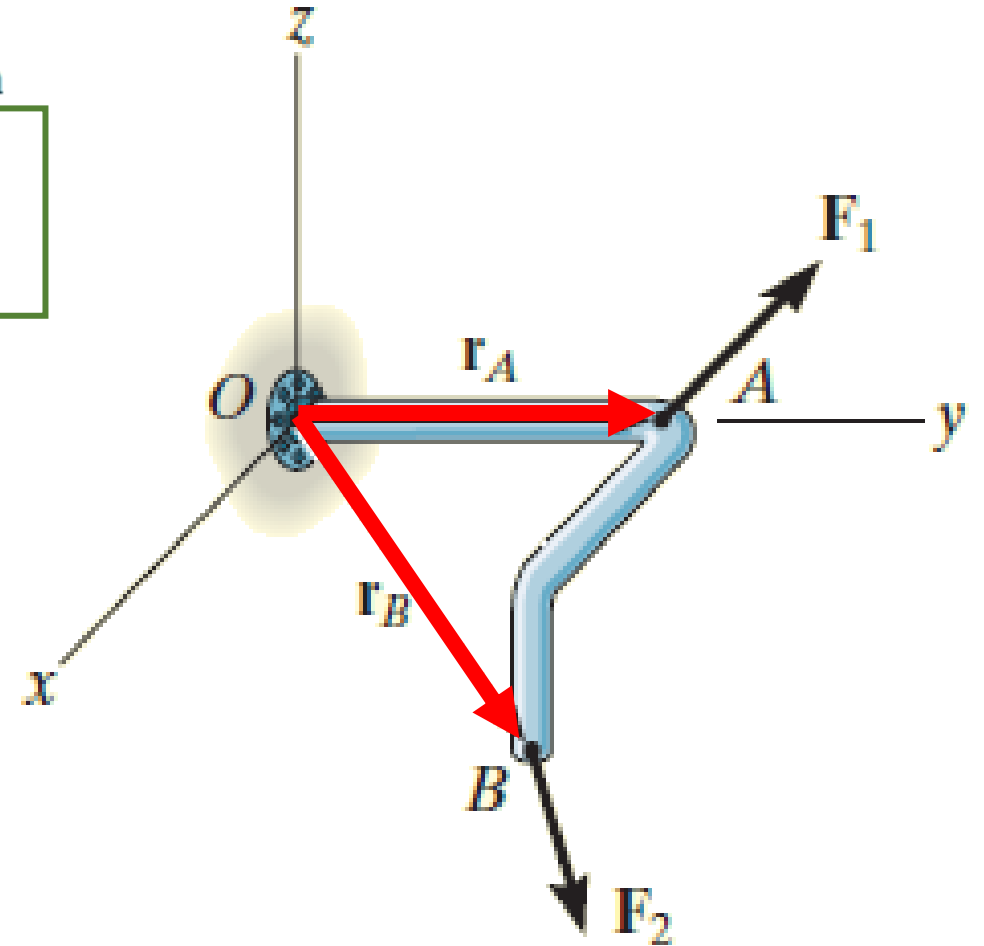
$$= \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{F}_2$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -60 & 40 & 20 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 4 & 5 & -2 \\ 80 & 40 & -30 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [5(20) - 0(40)]\mathbf{i} - [0]\mathbf{j} + [0(40) - (5)(-60)]\mathbf{k}$$

$$+ [5(-30) - (-2)(40)]\mathbf{i} - [4(-30) - (-2)(80)]\mathbf{j} + [4(40) - 5(80)]\mathbf{k}$$

$$= \{30\mathbf{i} - 40\mathbf{j} + 60\mathbf{k}\} \text{ lb} \cdot \text{ft}$$



Ans.

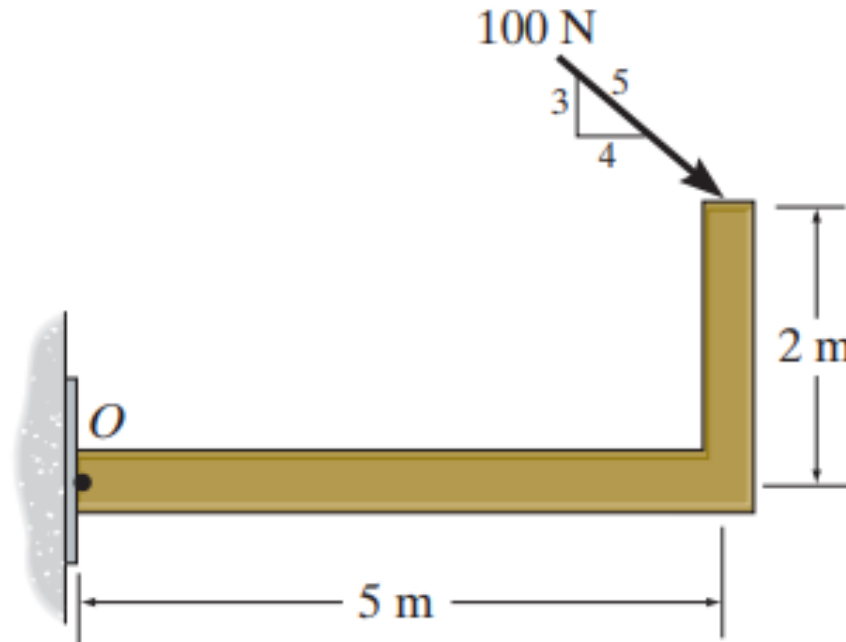
Next Lecture:

- Moment of a Couple of Forces
- Simplification of a Force and Couple System
- Further Simplification of a Force and Couple System
- Reduction of a Simple Distributed Loading

Assignment 1

(solve this problems then submit your answer)

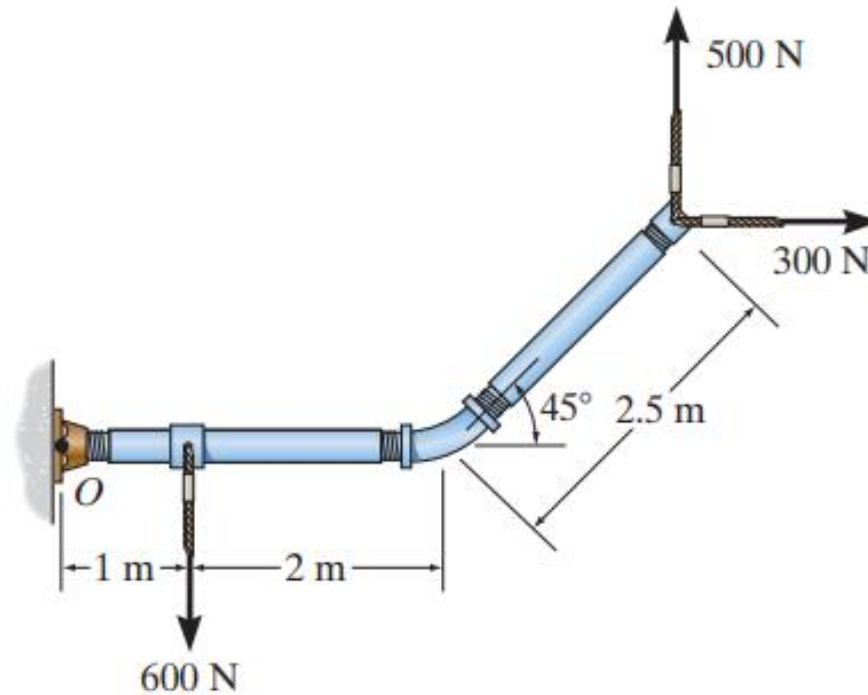
Determine the moment of the force about point O



Assignment 2

(solve these problems then submit your answer)

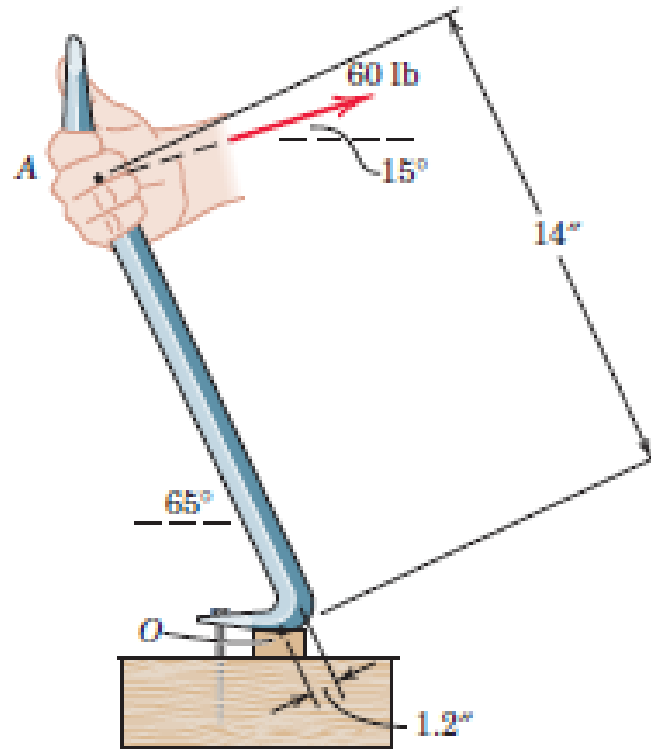
Determine the resultant moment produced by the forces about point O



Assignment 3

(solve this problems then submit your answer)

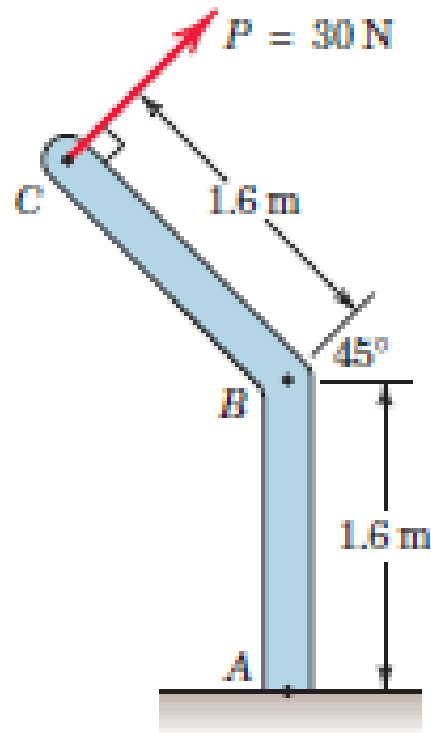
A pry bar is used to remove a nail as shown. Determine the moment of the 60-lb force about the point O of contact between the pry bar and the small support block.



Assignment 4

(solve this problems then submit your answer)

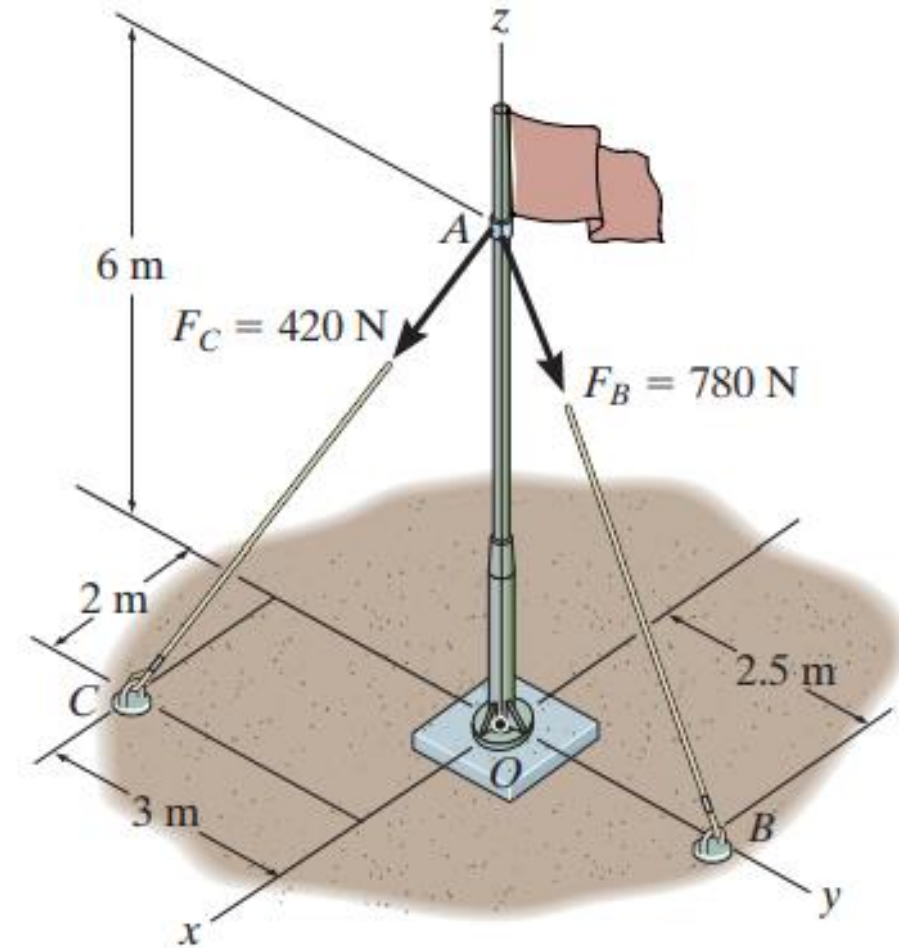
The 30-N force \mathbf{P} is applied perpendicular to the portion BC of the bent bar. Determine the moment of \mathbf{P} about point B and about point A .



Assignment 5

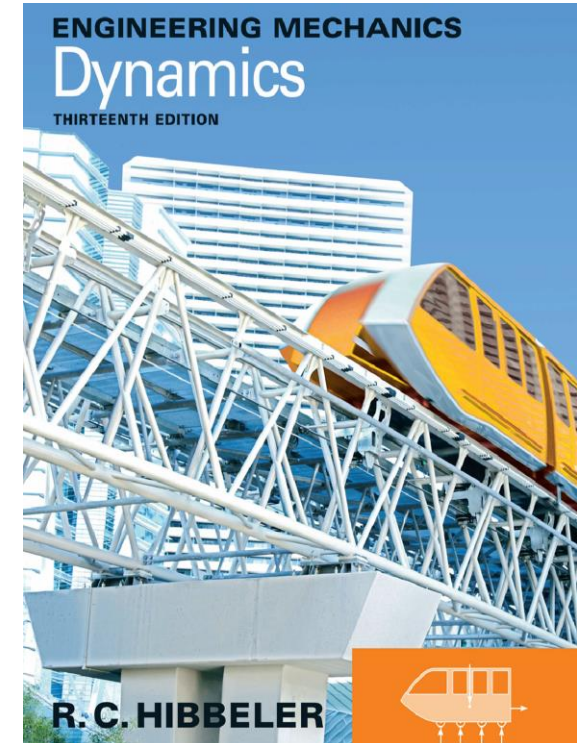
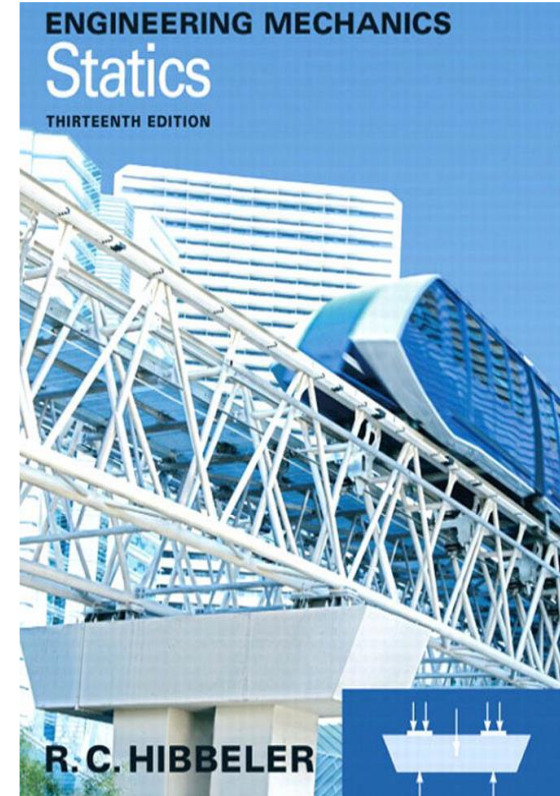
(solve this problems then submit your answer)

Determine the resultant moment produced by force F_B and F_C about point O . Express the result as a Cartesian vector



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The end of the lecture
Enjoy your time