

SKAA 1213 - Engineering Mechanics

TOPIC 5

Moment and Couple

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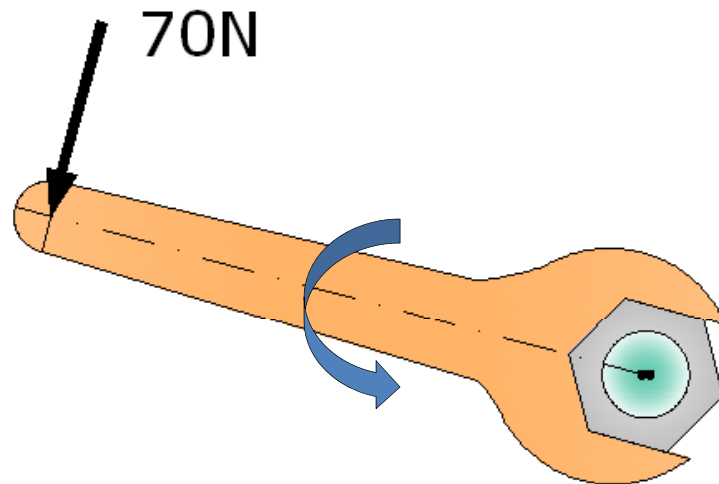
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Moment of a Force

- Moment of a force about a point/axis the tendency of the force to cause the body to rotate about the point/axis.
- Moment is a **vector quantity**

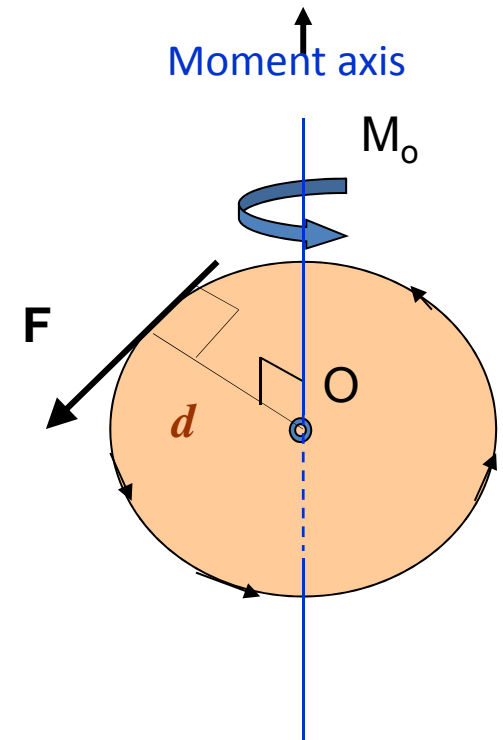


Moment of a Force

1. Scalar Formulation of Moment

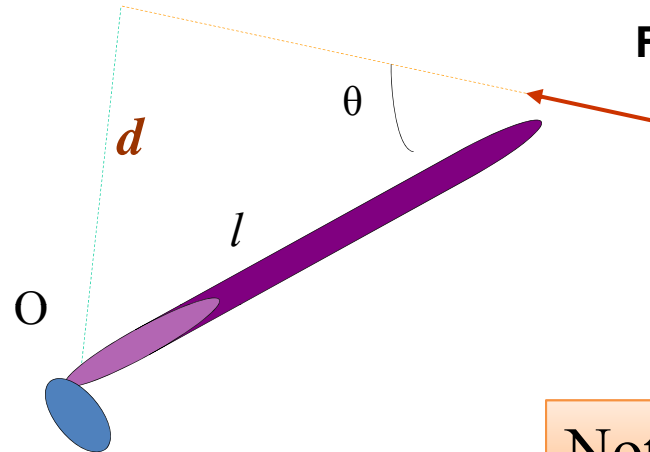
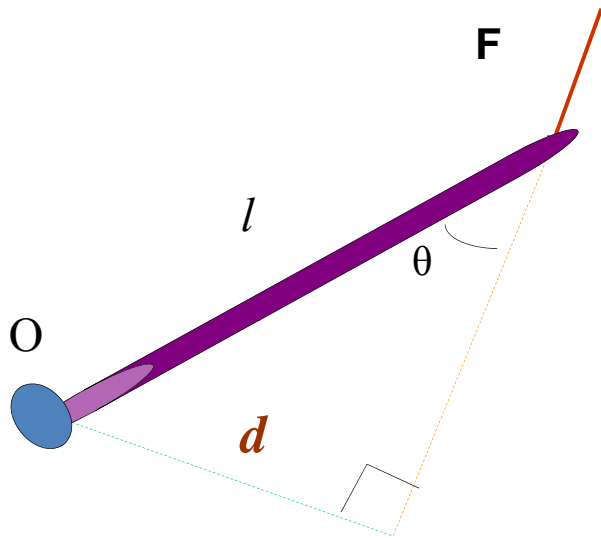
$$M_o = Fd$$

Where d is the perpendicular distance from the axis of point O to the action of the force F .



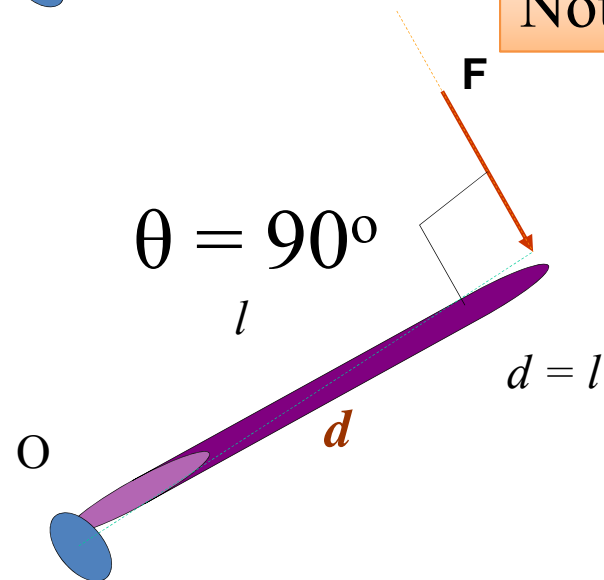
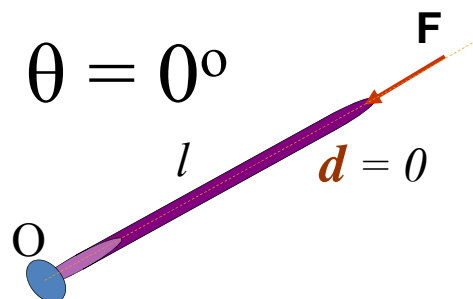
Direction of force : specified by using the ***right hand rule.***

Moment Arm



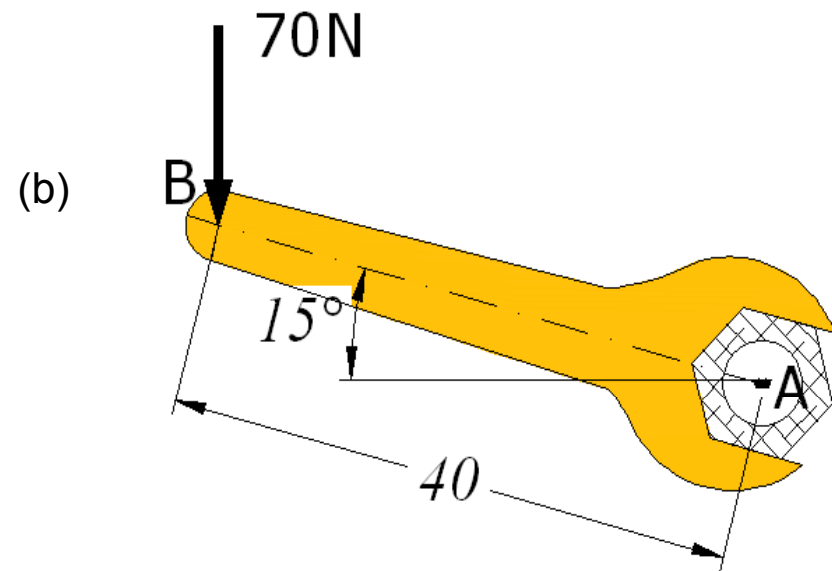
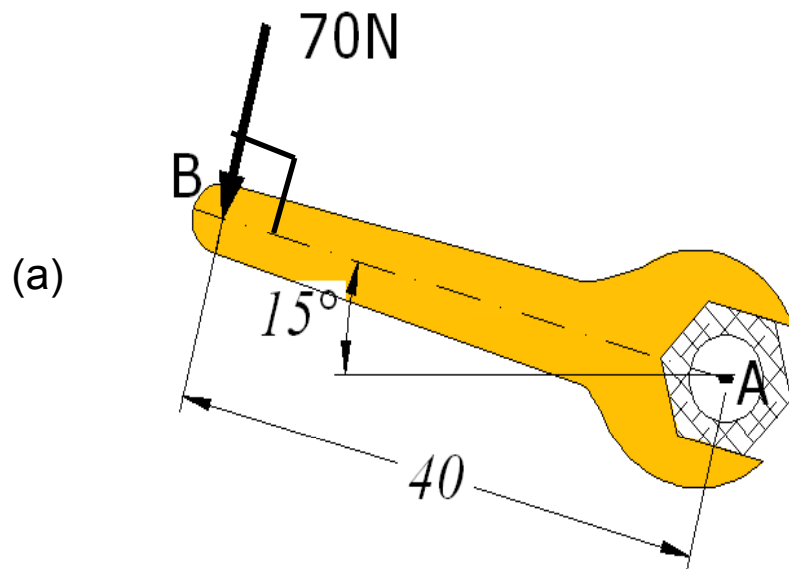
$$M_o = Fd$$

Note: $d = l \sin \theta$



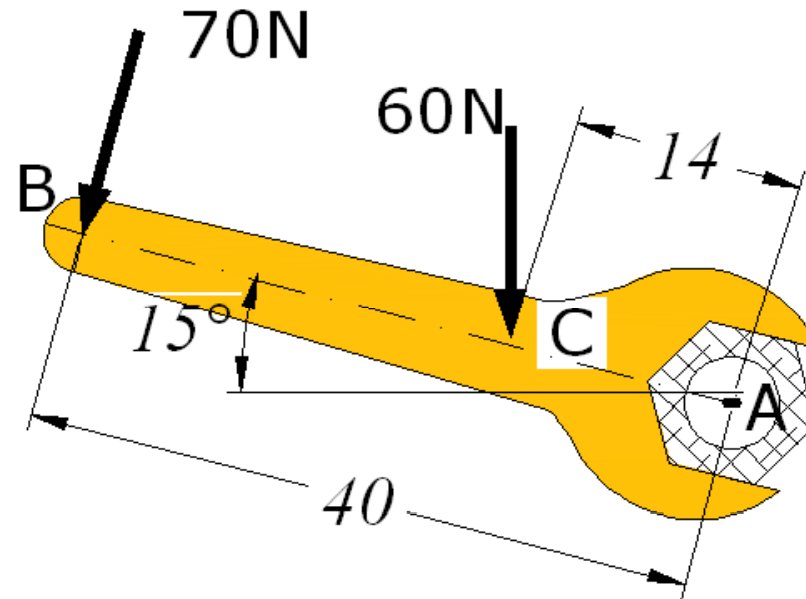
Example 1

Determine the moment of the 70N force about point A. [Answer : (a) $M_A = 2800\text{Nmm} \curvearrowright$ (b) $M_A = 2704.6\text{Nmm} \curvearrowright$]



Example 2

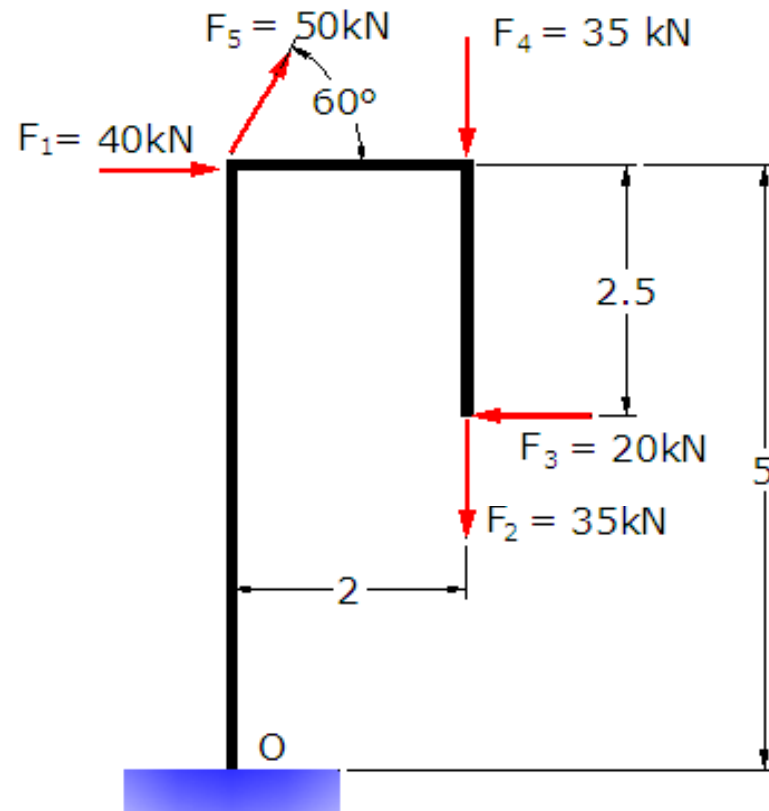
Determine the moment of the 70N and 60N forces about point A. [Answer : $M_A = 3611.4 \text{ Nm } \curvearrowright$]



Example 3

Determine the moment of each the force about point O.

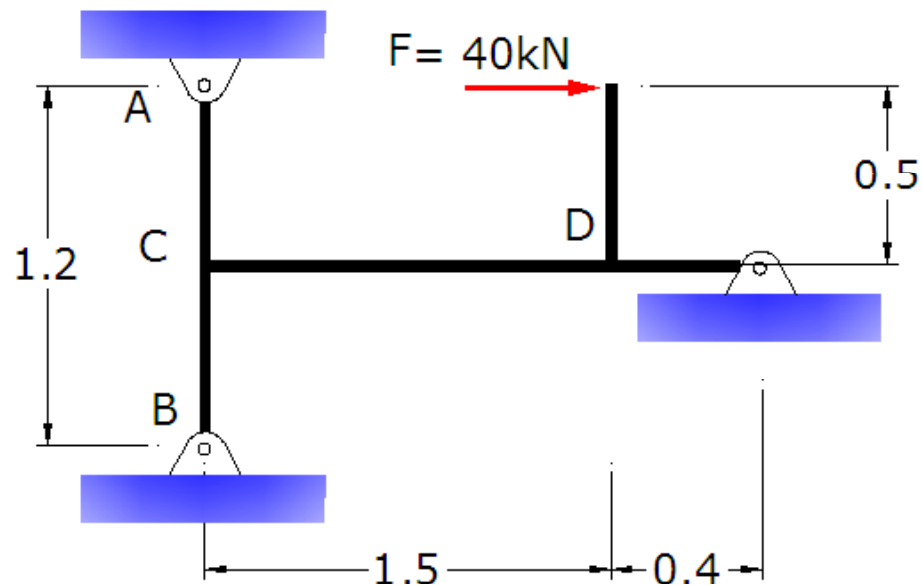
[Answer : $M_{O1} = 200\text{kNm } \curvearrowright$, $M_{O2} = 70\text{kNm } \curvearrowright$, $M_{O3} = 50\text{kNm } \curvearrowright$, $M_{O4} = 70\text{kNm } \curvearrowright$, $M_{O5} = 125\text{kNm } \curvearrowright$]



Example 4

Determine the moments of the 40kN force about points A, B, C and D.

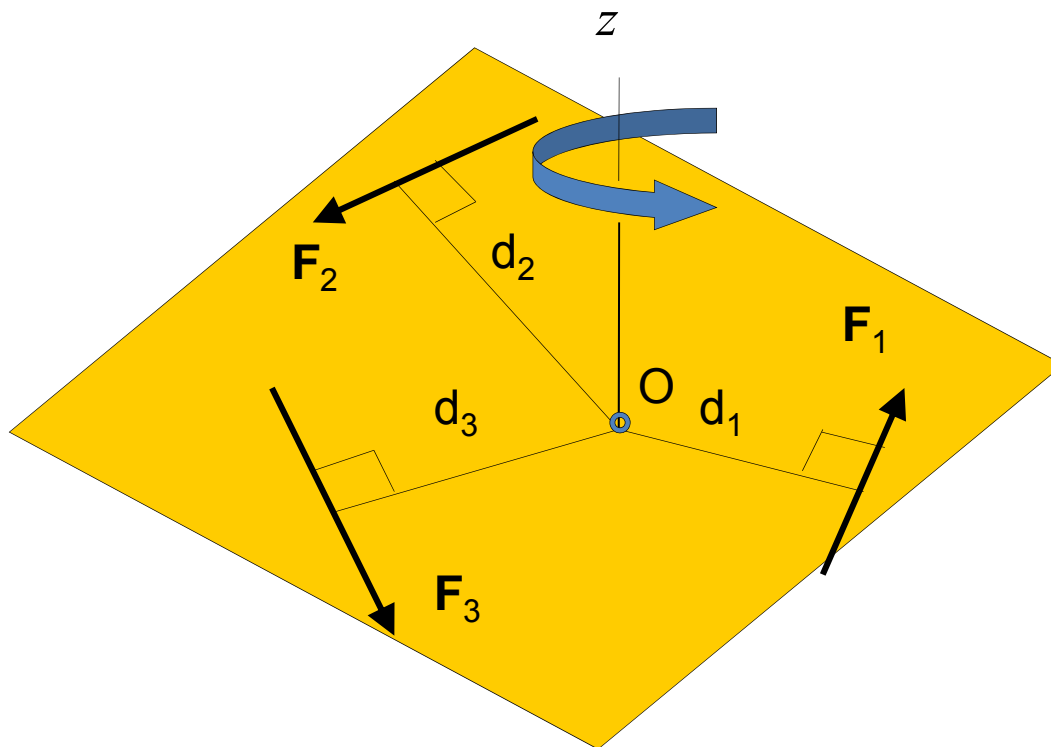
[Answer : $M_A = 0$ $M_B = 48\text{kNm} \curvearrowright$ $M_C = 20\text{kNm} \curvearrowright$ $M_D = 20\text{kNm} \curvearrowright$]



Resultant Moment of Coplanar Forces

- determined by total up the moments of all the forces algebraically.

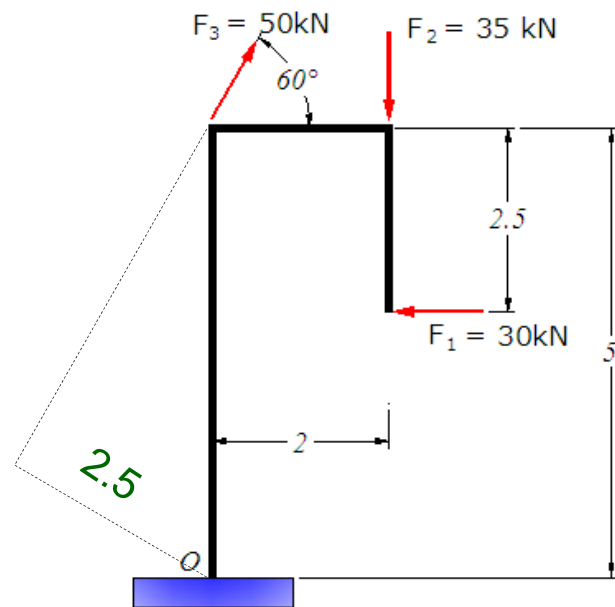
$$\curvearrowright + M_{RO} = \Sigma Fd$$



The counterclockwise curl written along the equation indicates that, the moment of any force will be positive if it is directed along the +z axis.

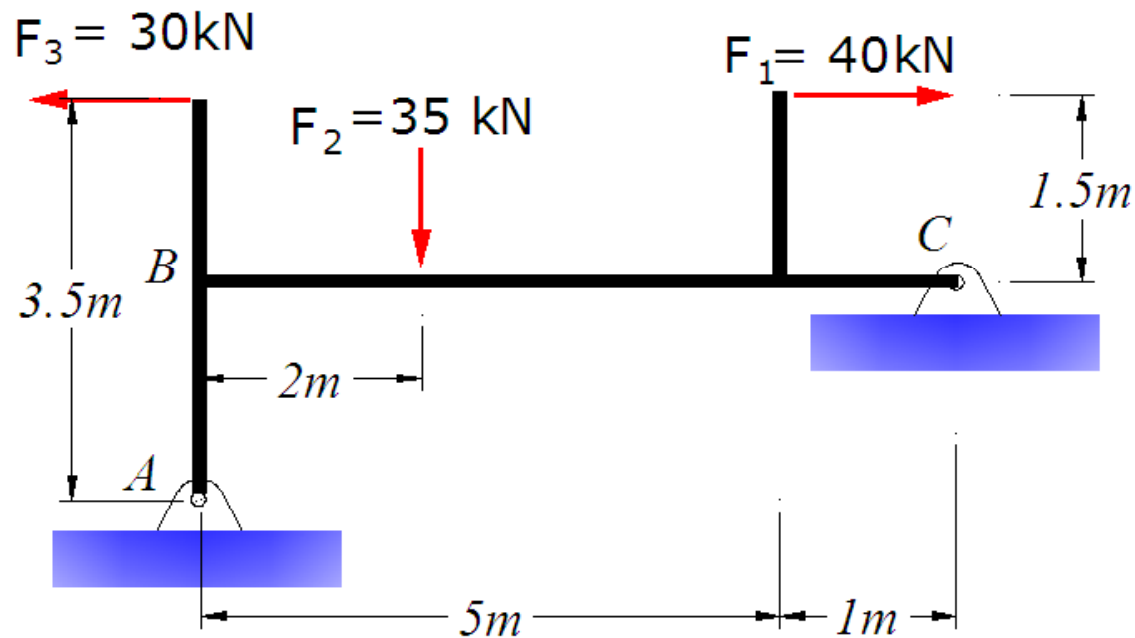
Example 5

Determine the moment of the three forces about point O. *[Answer : $\mathcal{M}_O = -120\text{kNm}$]*



Example 6

Determine the moments of the three forces about point B and C. *[Answer : $\mathcal{U}M_B = -85\text{kNm}$, $\mathcal{U}M_C = 125\text{Nm}$]*

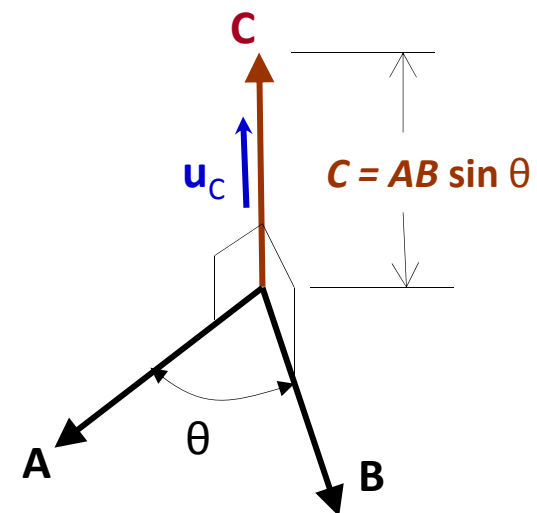
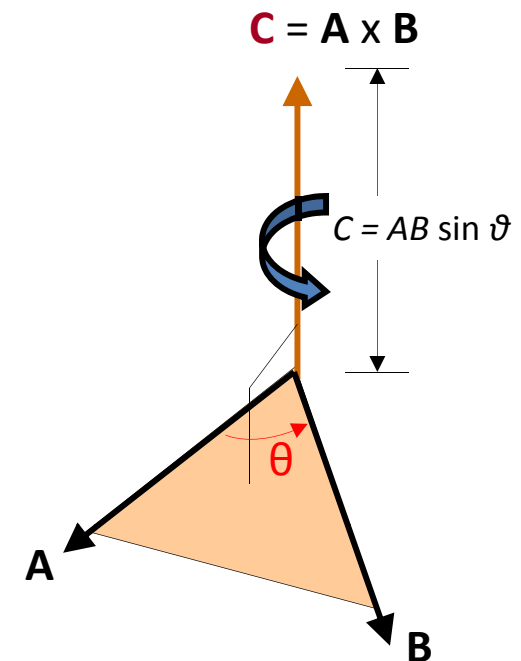


Cross Product

cross product of two vectors **A** and **B** is written as $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$

Magnitude of $C = AB \sin \theta$

The direction of vector **C** is perpendicular to the plane **A** & **B** such that **C** is specified by the *right-hand rule*.



Cross Product - Laws of Operations

Commutative law:

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

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

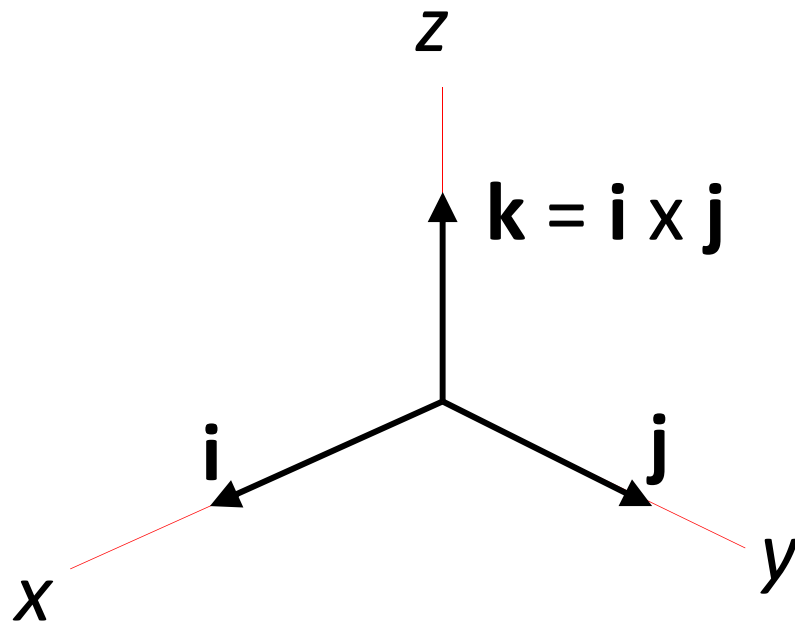
Multiplication by a scalar:

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

Distributive law:

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

Cross Product of the Cartesian unit vectors

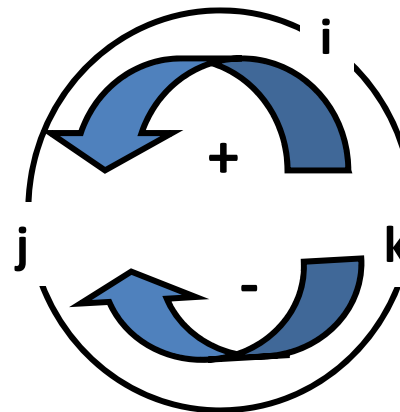


In a similar manner,

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

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

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



This diagram is helpful for obtaining the result of cross products of unit vectors

Tips : Apply right hand rule

Cross product of two vectors **A** and **B**.

Determinant form:

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

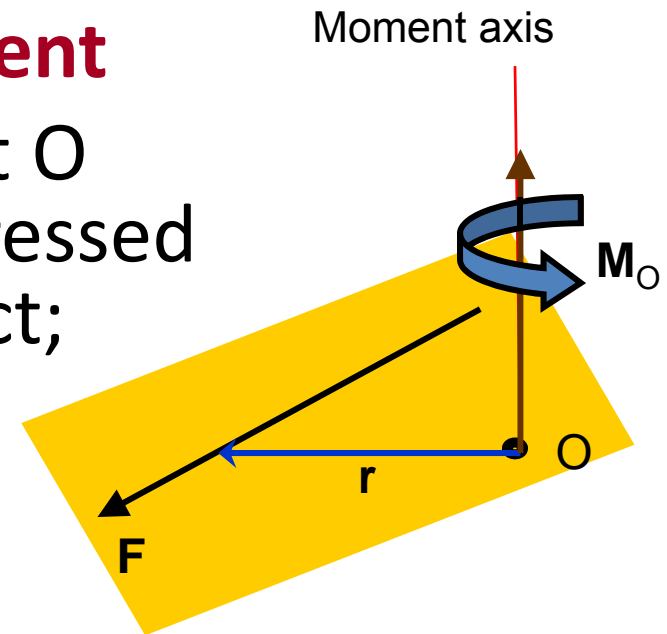
Moment of a Force

2. Vector Formulation of Moment

- The moment of \mathbf{F} about point O discussed earlier, can be expressed using the vector cross-product;

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

Where r represent the position vector drawn from O to any point lying on the line of action of F .

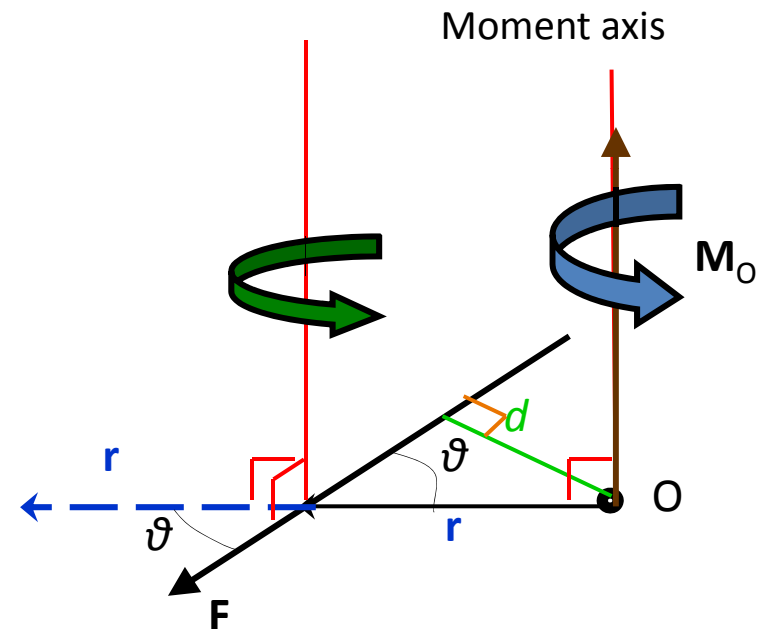


Magnitude:

$$\mathbf{M}_O = rF \sin \theta = \mathbf{F}(r \sin \theta) = \mathbf{F}d$$

Direction: Apply right-hand rule at the intersection point of the tails of extended r and F

*Note that the moment axis is **perpendicular** to the plane containing r and F*

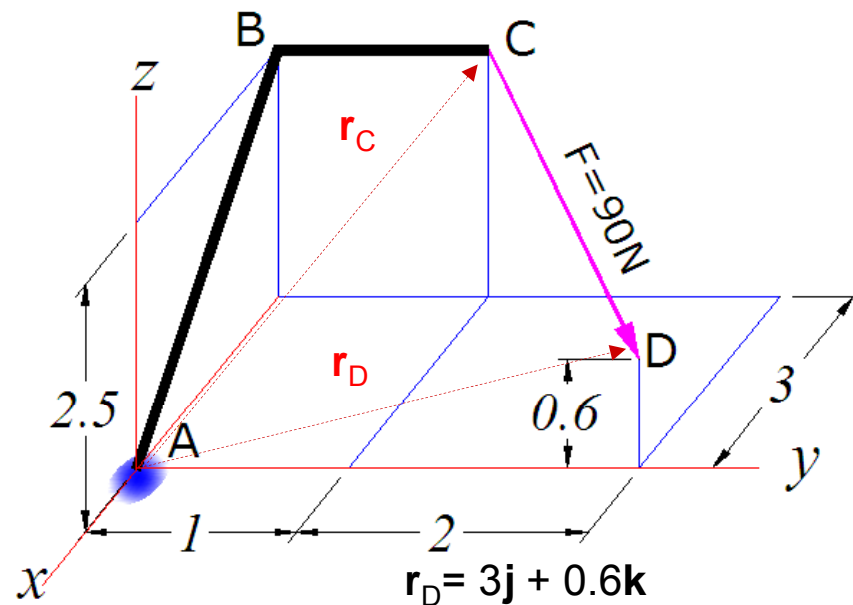


r is treated as a sliding vector

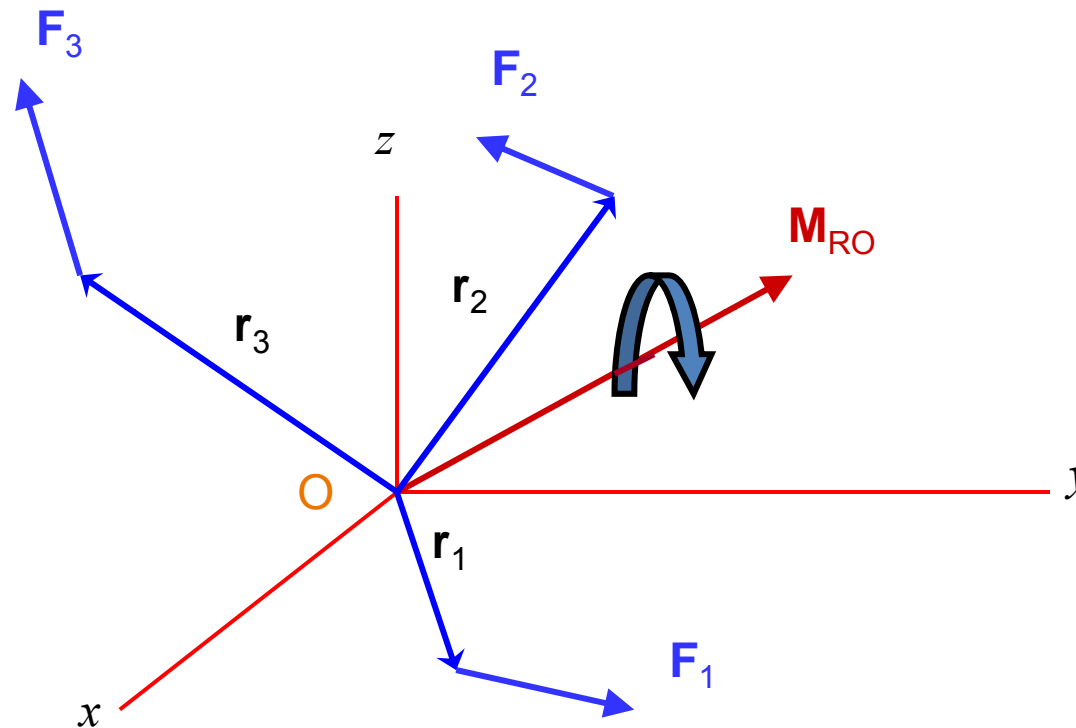
Example 7

A force $F=90\text{N}$ directed from C to D. Determine the magnitude of the moment created about the support at point A, and their coordinate

direction angles. [Answer : $M_A = 253.4\text{Nm}$ $\alpha = 126.9^\circ$ $\beta = 81^\circ$ $\gamma = 141.6^\circ$]



Resultant moment of a System of Forces

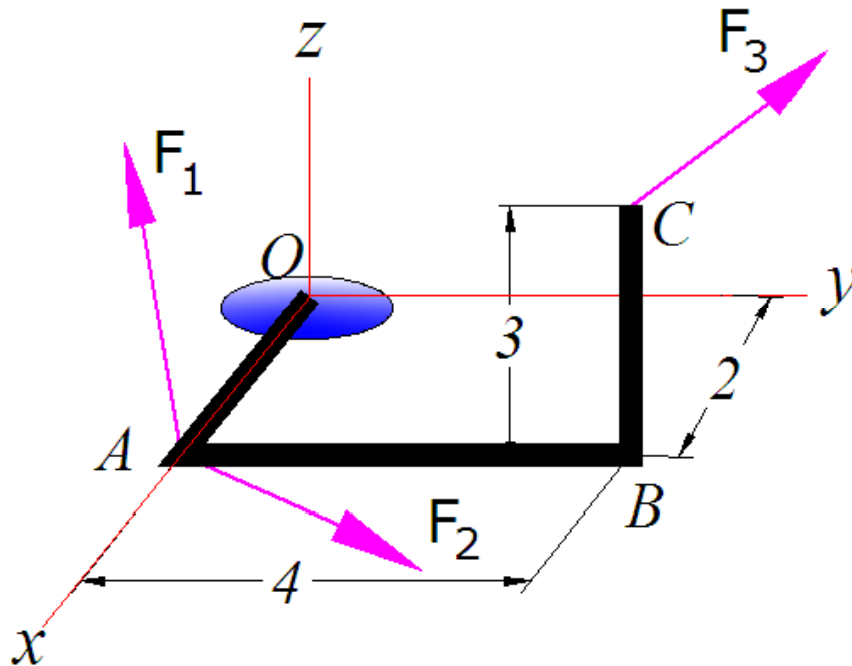


$$\mathbf{M}_{RO} = \sum (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})$$

Example

Three forces acting on the rod. Determine the resultant moment about O and the coordinate direction angles. Given $\mathbf{F}_1 = 20\mathbf{i} + 80\mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{F}_2 = 40\mathbf{i} + 30\mathbf{j} - 25\mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{F}_3 = -35\mathbf{i} + 50\mathbf{j} - 15\mathbf{k}$.

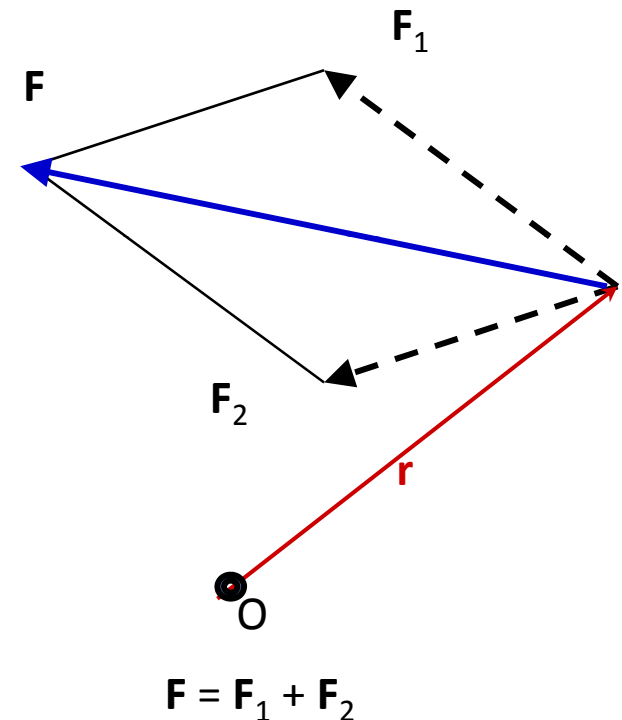
[Answer : $M_{RO} = 410\text{Nm}$ $\alpha = 120.8^\circ$ $\beta = 117^\circ$ $\gamma = 43^\circ$]



Principle of Moments (Varignon's theorem)

The moment of a force about a point is equal to the summation of the moments of the force's components about the point.

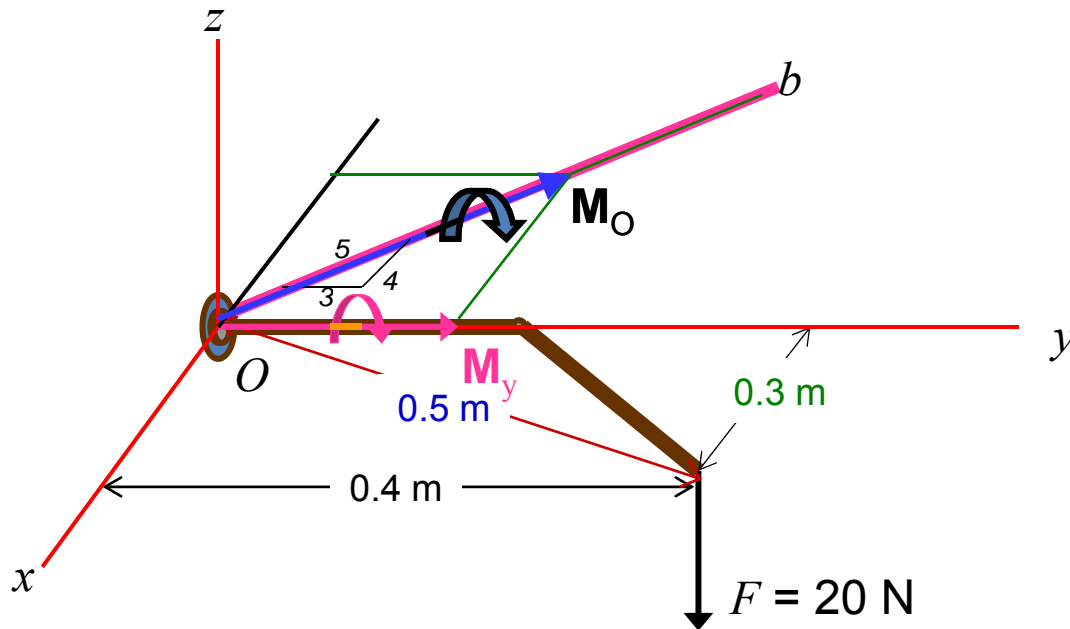
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof: } \mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}_2 \\
 &= \mathbf{r} \times (\mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2) \\
 &= \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}
 \end{aligned}$$



Useful to determine the moment arms of the force's components than the moment arm of the force itself.

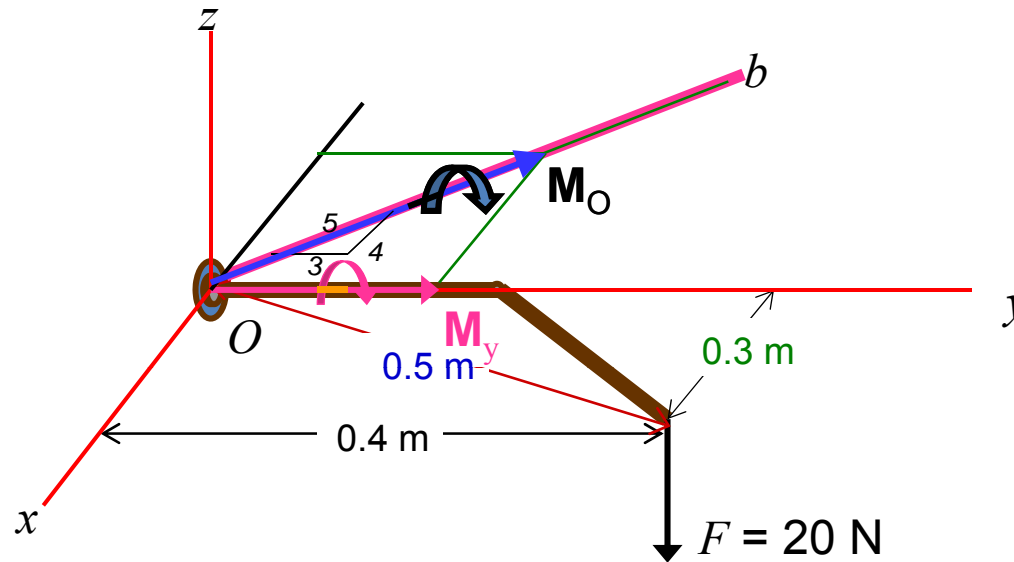
Moment of a Force about a Specified Axis

- Can be solved by **scalar** or **vector** analysis.



In some situations we need the component of the moment along a specified axis that passes through the point. Let say component of M_O about y axis, M_y .

1. Scalar Analysis



a) $M_O = 20(0.5) = 10 \text{ Nm}$ (direction defined by RH Rule about the Ob axis)

$$\mathbf{M}_y = (3/5)(10) = 6 \text{ Nm} \text{ (component method)}$$

b) $\mathbf{M}_y = 20(0.3) = 6 \text{ Nm}$ (direct method)

- If the line of action of a force \mathbf{F} is perpendicular to any specified axis aa , then;

$$M_a = Fd_a$$

where d_a is the perpendicular distance from the force line of action to the axis.

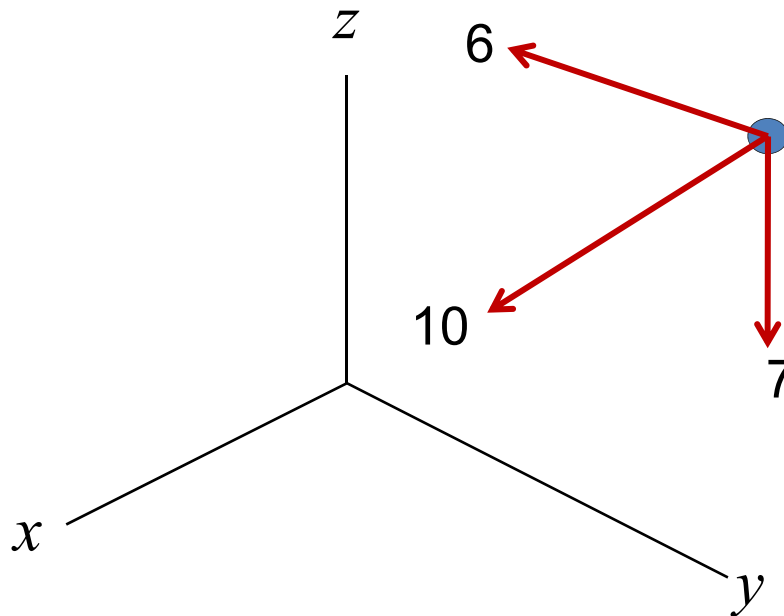
- The direction is determined from the thumb of the Right Hand when the fingers are curled in accordance with the direction of rotation.

- *A force will **NOT** contribute a moment about a specified axis if the force **line of action is parallel** to the axis or its line of action **passes through** the axis.*

Example

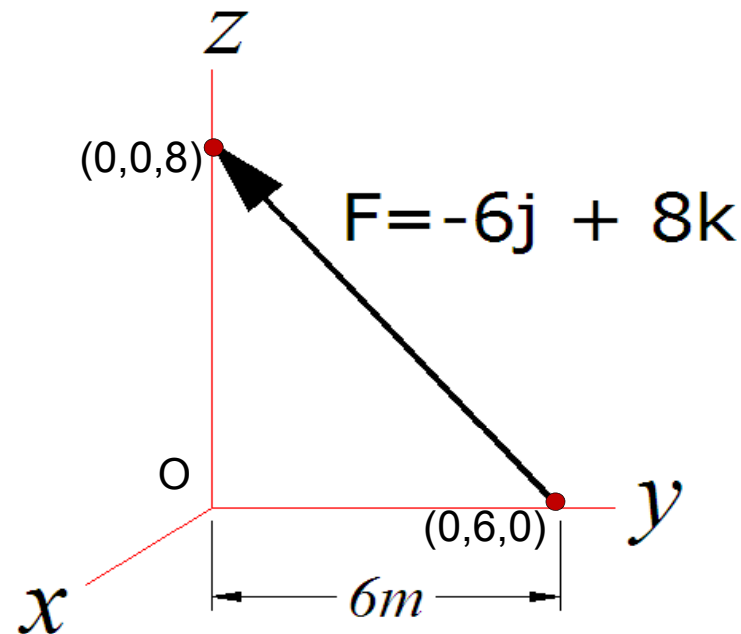
What are the values moment about the x, y, z axes.

[Answer : $M_{Ox}=13 \text{ Nm}$ $M_{Oy}=59 \text{ Nm}$ $M_{Oz}= -32 \text{ Nm}$]



Example

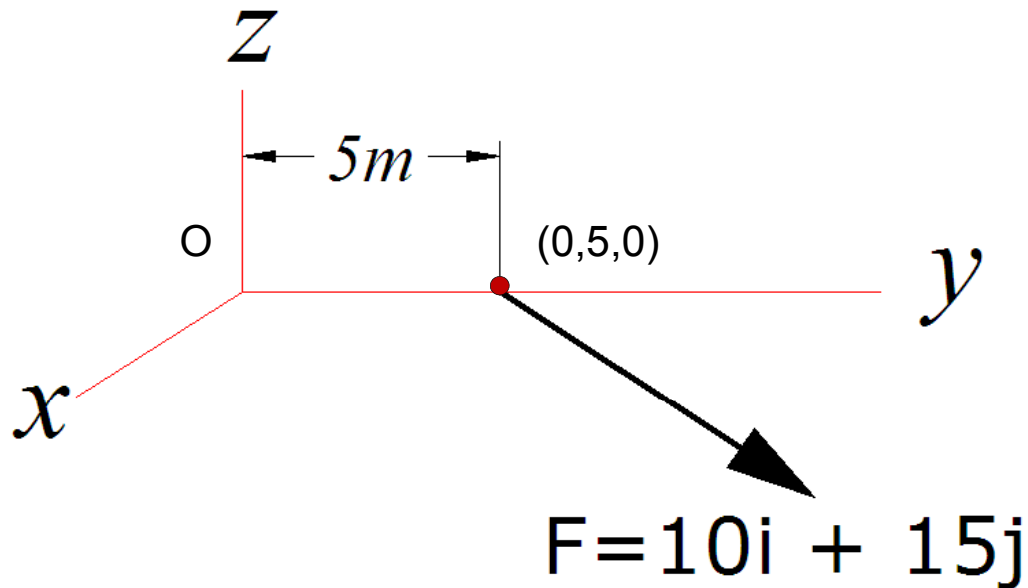
Find the Moment about a specified axis using Scalar notation method. [Answer : $M_{Ox} = 48Nm$ $M_{Oy} = 0Nm$, $M_{Oz} = 0Nm$]



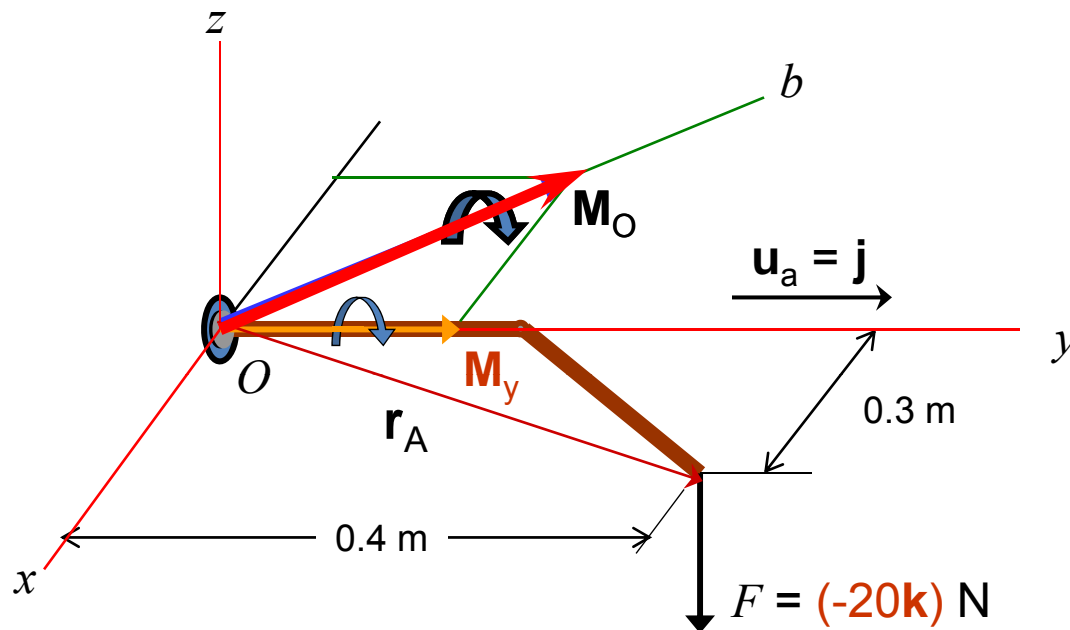
Example

Find the Moment about a specified axis using

Scalar notation method. [Answer : $M_{Ox} = 0Nm$, $M_{Oy} = 0Nm$, $M_{Oz} = 50 Nm$]



2. Vector Analysis



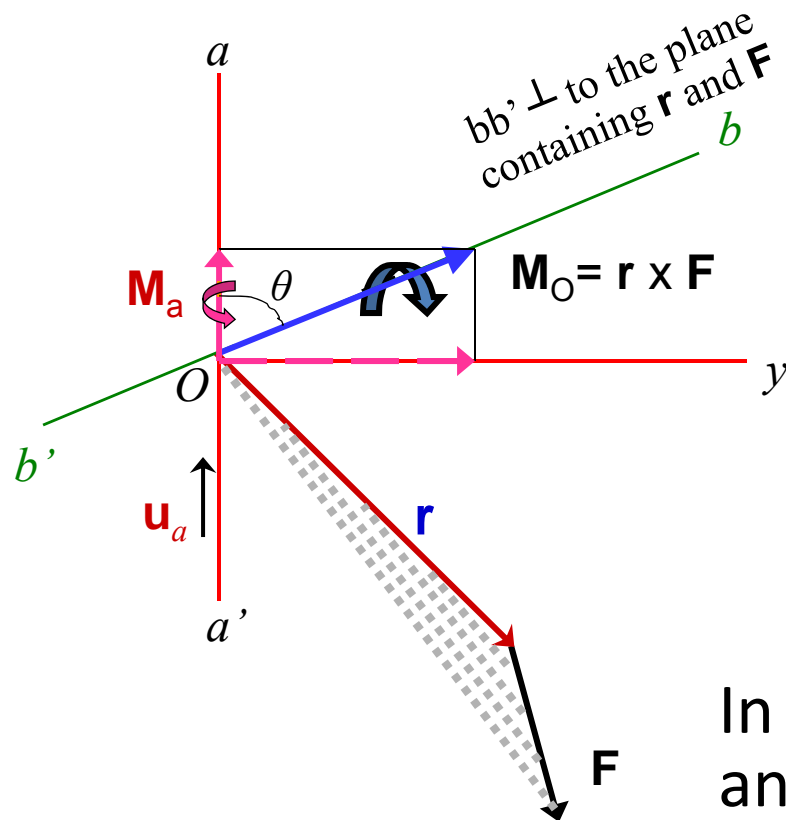
$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F} \\
 &= (0.3\mathbf{i} + 0.4\mathbf{j}) \times (-20\mathbf{k}) \\
 &= (-8\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j}) \text{ Nm}
 \end{aligned}$$

The component of this moment along the y axis is then determined from the dot product

Since the unit vector of this axis is $\mathbf{u}_a = \mathbf{j}$, then

$$M_y = \mathbf{M}_O \cdot \mathbf{u}_a = (-8\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{j} = 6 \text{ Nm}$$

Vector analysis is advantages to find moment of force about an axis **when the force components or the moment arms are difficult to determine.**



How to get M_a ?

1. Find $M_O = r \times F$

2. $M_a = M_O \cos \theta = M_O \cdot u_a$

$$M_a = (r \times F) \cdot u_a = u_a \cdot (r \times F)$$

In vector algebra, combination of dot and cross product yielding the scalar M_a is called the **triple scalar product**.

The triple scalar product :

$$M_a = (u_{ax} \mathbf{i} + u_{ay} \mathbf{j} + u_{az} \mathbf{k}) \cdot \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ r_x & r_y & r_z \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} u_{ax} & u_{ay} & u_{az} \\ r_x & r_y & r_z \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Once M_a is determined, \mathbf{M}_a as a Cartesian vector ;

$$\mathbf{M}_a = M_a \mathbf{u}_a = [\mathbf{u}_a \cdot (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})] \mathbf{u}_a$$

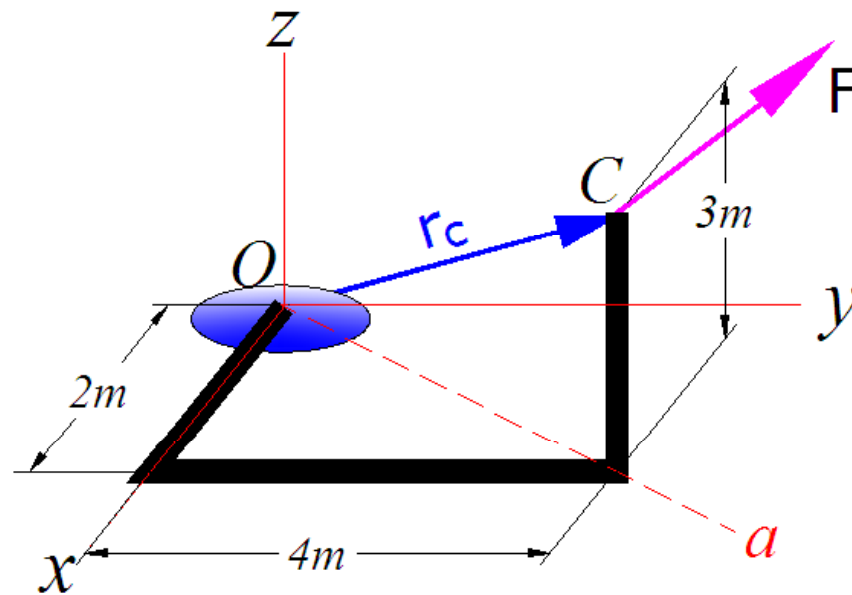
To find the **resultant** of a series of forces about the axis aa' , the moment components of each force are added together algebraically, since the component lies along the same axis.

$$M_a = \sum [\mathbf{u}_a \cdot (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})] = \mathbf{u}_a \cdot \sum (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})$$

Example

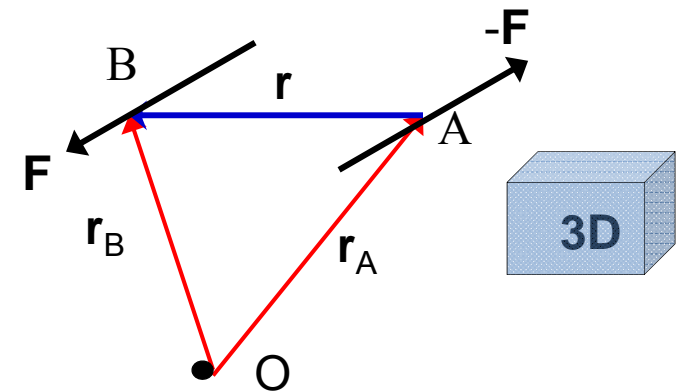
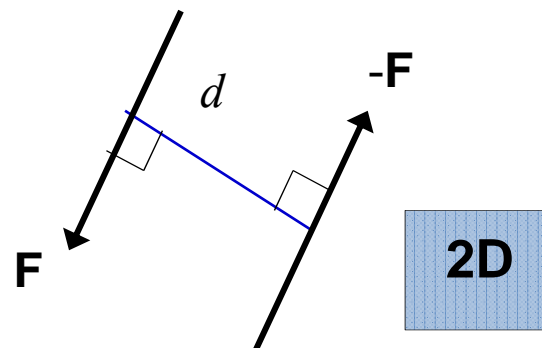
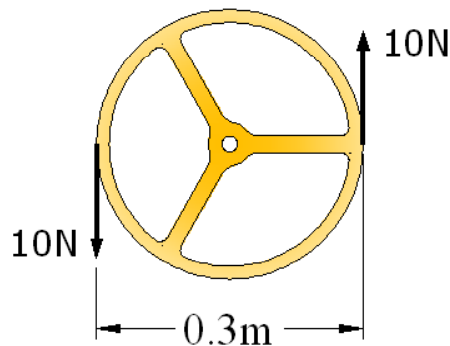
The force $F = -35\mathbf{i} + 50\mathbf{j} - 15\mathbf{k}$ acts at C. Determine the moment of this force about x and a axes.

[Answer : $M_x = -210\text{Nm}$ $M_a = -161\text{Nm}$]



Couples and Couple Moments

- **Definition** : **two parallel forces** that have the **same magnitude** but **opposite direction**, and separated by a perpendicular distance, d .
- The moment produced is called **couple moment**.
- $\sum F = 0$, the only effect is tendency of rotation.

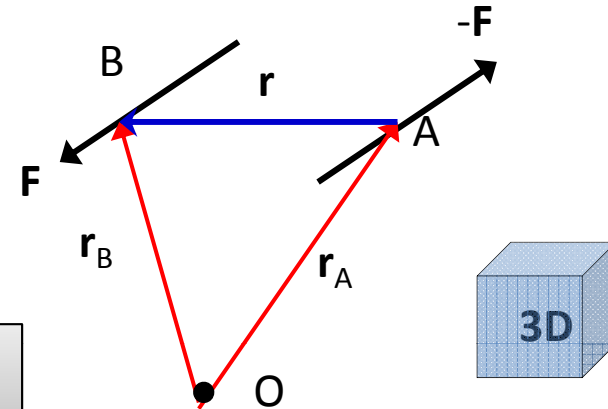


Moment of a Couple

Determination of moments of couple forces about any point :

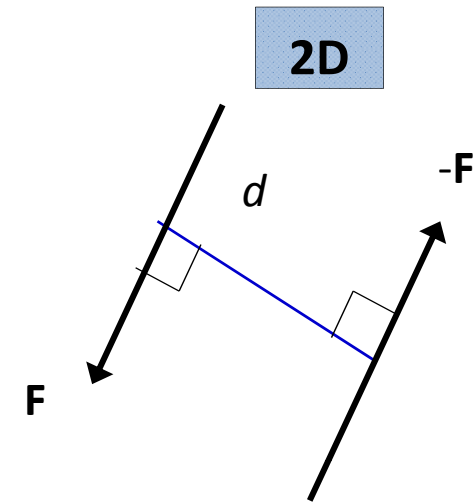
about A: $M = r \times F$

about O: $M = r_B \times (F) + r_A \times (-F)$

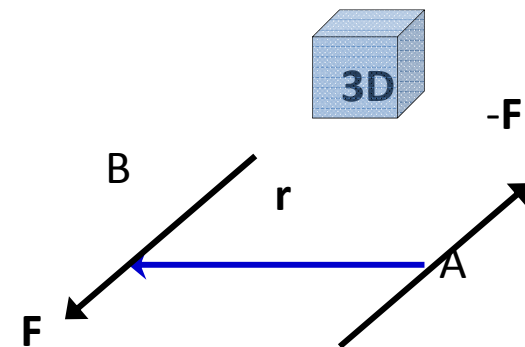


*This indicates that a couple moment is a **free vector**. It can act at any point since M only depends upon the position vector r, not r_A and r_B .*

Scalar Formulation: $M = Fd$



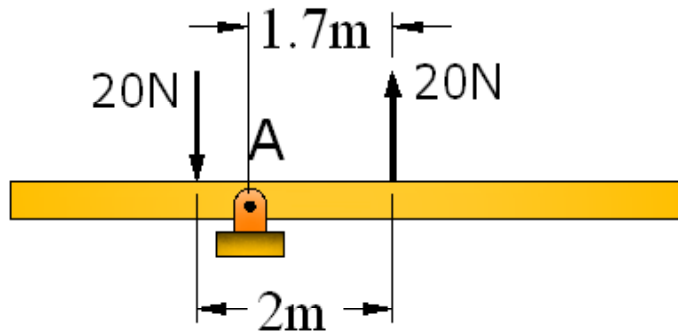
Vector Formulation: $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$



Properties of Moment of a Couple

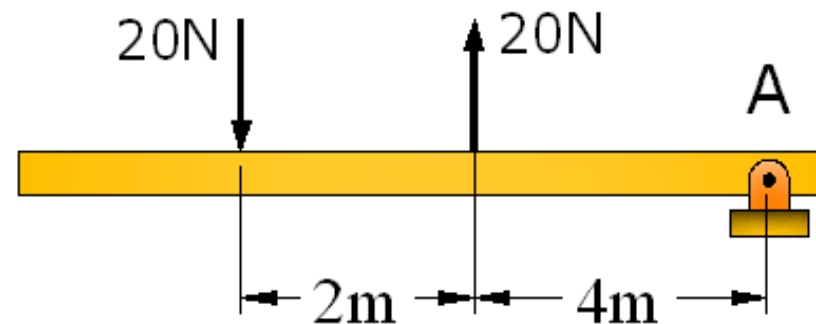
1. The couple moment is unaffected by the pivot location

*Couples at the same position for example below.



$$M_A = 20(0.3) + 20(1.7)$$

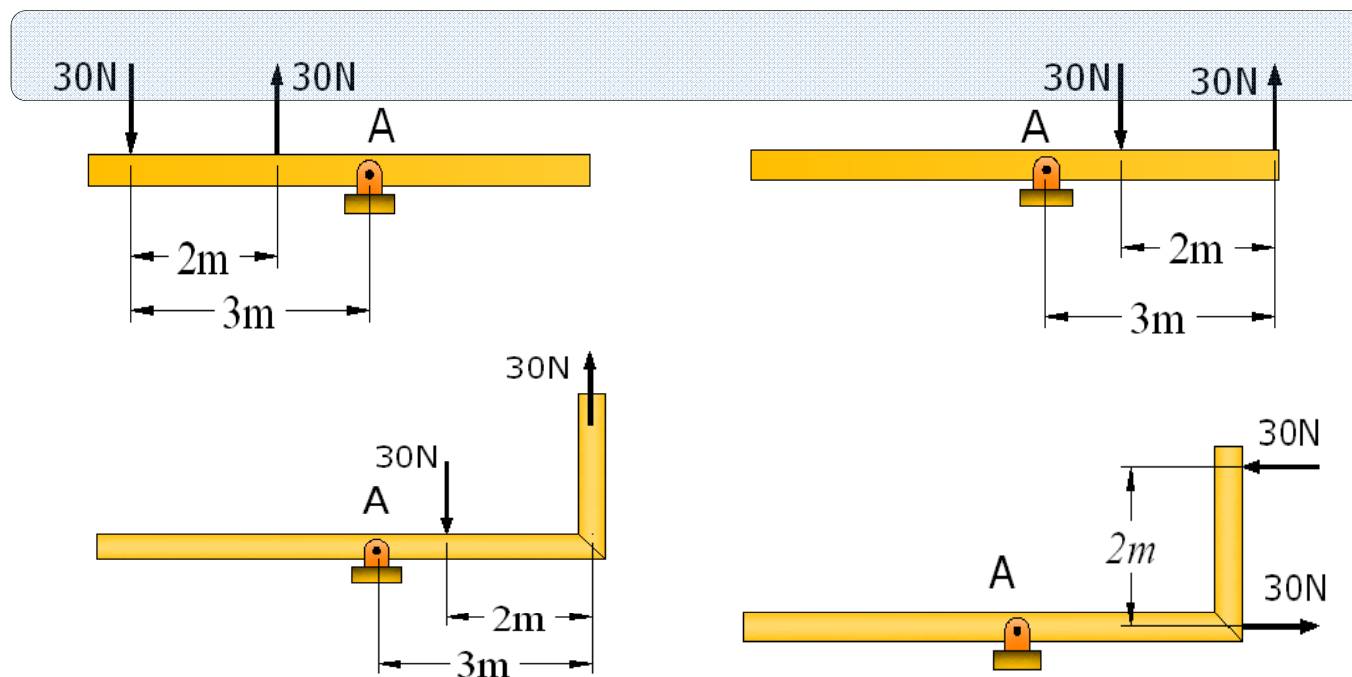
$$= 40\text{Nm}$$



$$M_A = 20(6) - 20(4)$$

$$= 40\text{Nm}$$

2. A couple can be shifted and still have the same moment about a given point.



Couple at different position & moments calculated at the same point.

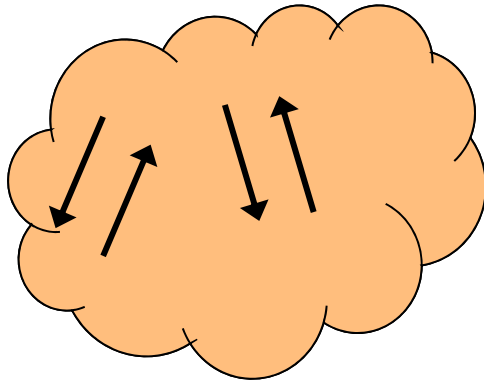
$$M_A = 30(2) = 60 \text{ Nm}$$

- **Equivalent Couples**

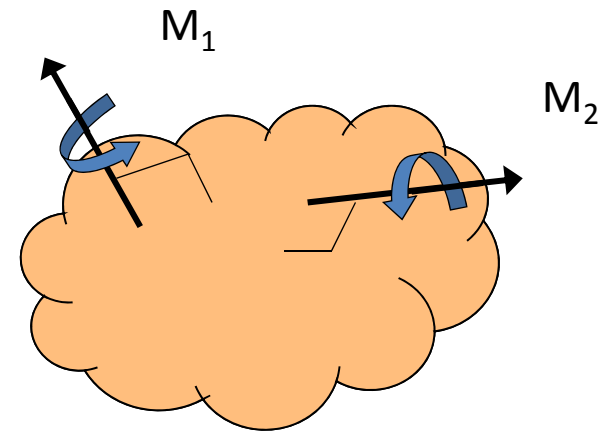
Two couples which produce the **same moment** lie either in the **same plane** or in planes **parallel** to each other. The direction of the couple moments is the same and is perpendicular to the parallel planes.

- **Resultant Couple Moment**

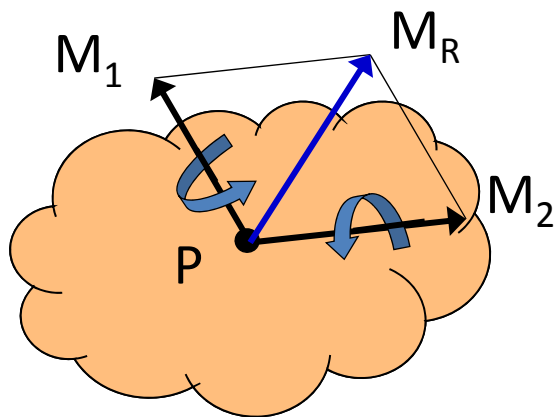
Since couple moments are **free vectors** they can be applied at **any point** on a body and added vertically.



Two set of couple forces



Two couple moments



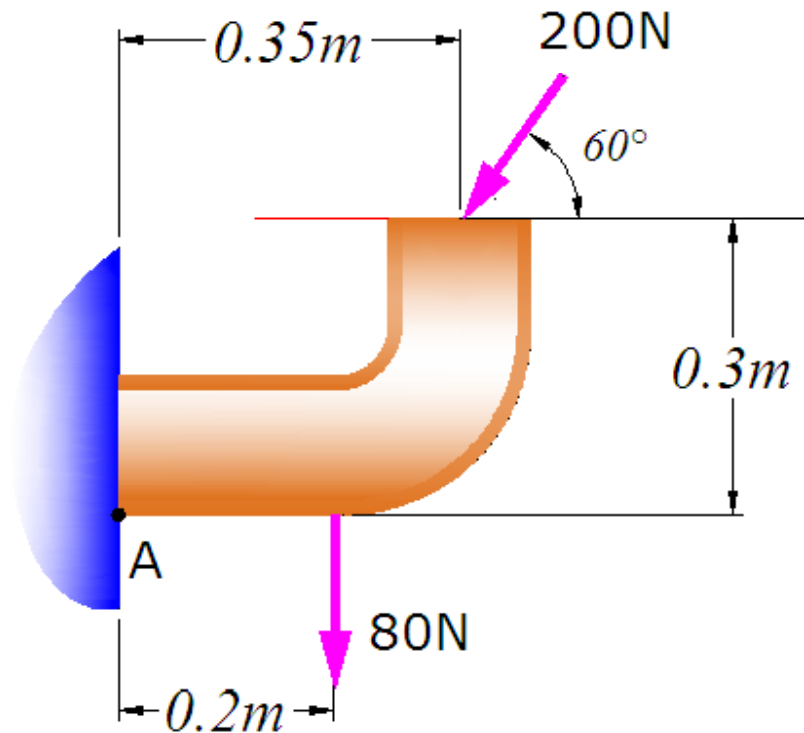
Moved to any arbitrary point and added to obtain resultant couple moment

$$M_R = M_1 + M_2$$

Example

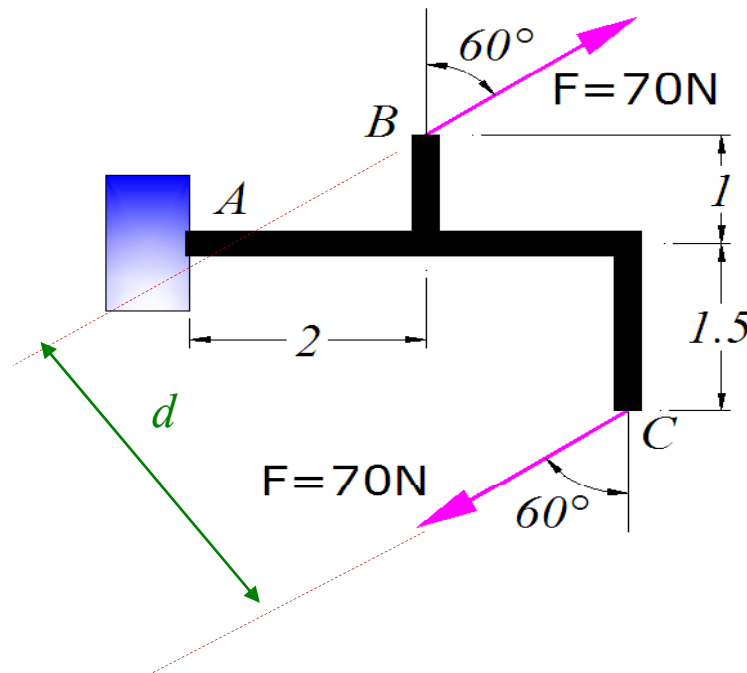
Replace the forces acting on the structure by an equivalent resultant force and couple moment

at A. [Answer: $\zeta M_{RA} = -46.6 \text{ Nm} (\curvearrowright)$]



Example

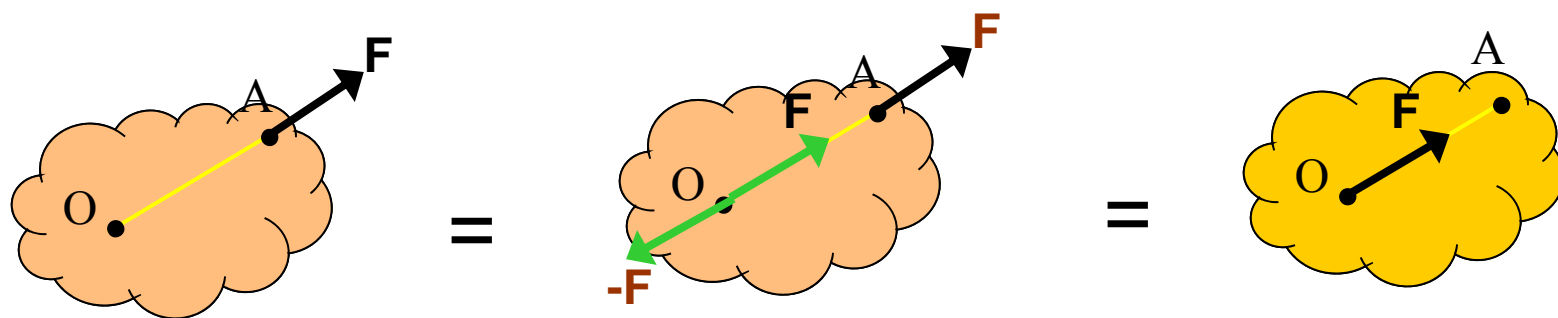
Determine the moment of the couple on the member shown. [Answer : $\mathcal{U}M = -221.5\text{Nm}$]



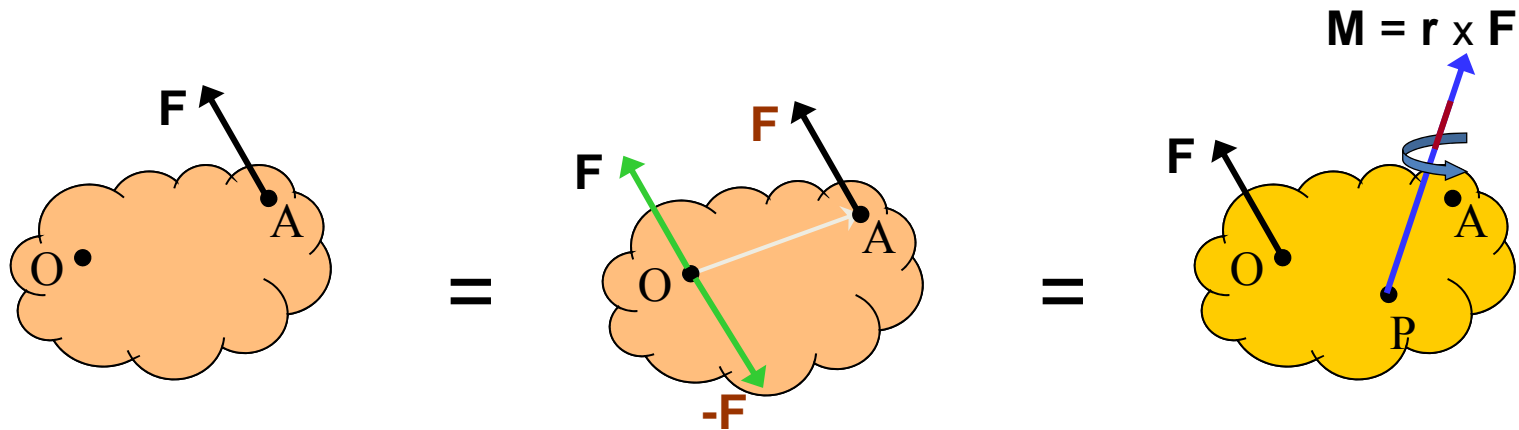
Equivalent System

Replacing system of forces and couple moments acting on a body by a **single force and couple** acting on a specified point O that produce the **same external effects** of translation and rotation.

Case 1: *Point O Is On the Line of Action*



■ Case 2: *Point O Is Not On the Line of Action*

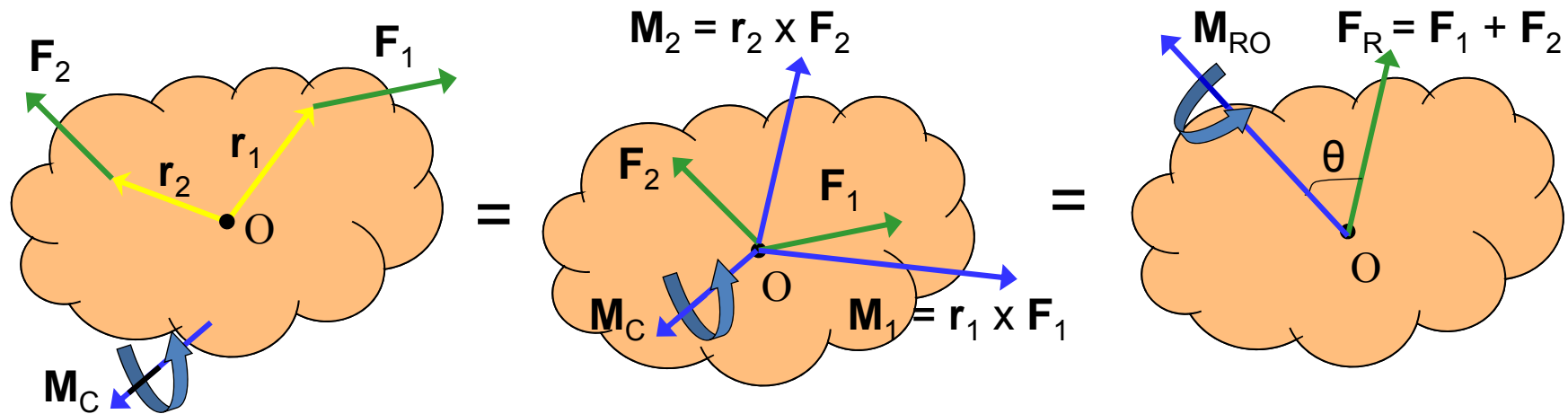


*Note: Since couple is a free vector, it may be applied at any point

Resultants of a Force System

$$\mathbf{M}_{R0} = \sum \mathbf{M}_C + \sum \mathbf{M}_O$$

$$\mathbf{F}_R = \sum \mathbf{F}$$



NOTE:

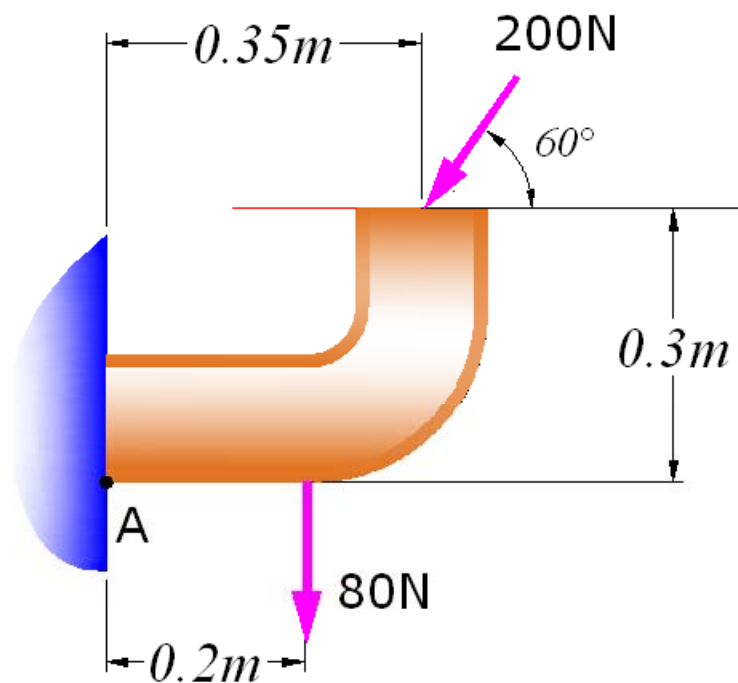
- Both the magnitude & direction of F_R are independent of the location of O, however,
- M_{RO} depends on the location of O since the moment M_1 & M_2 are determined by using the position vectors r_1 & r_2 .
- M_{RO} is a free vector and can act at any point on the body.

Example

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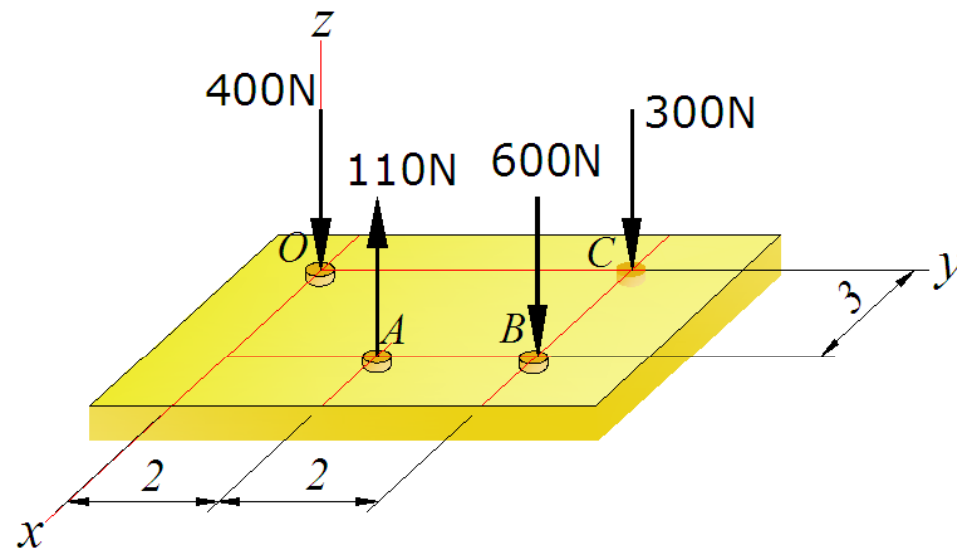
Determine the magnitude, direction and location of a resultant force which is equivalent to the given system of forces measured horizontally from A. [Answer : $F_R = 272\text{N}(\swarrow) \theta = 68.4^\circ d = 0.18\text{m}$]



Example

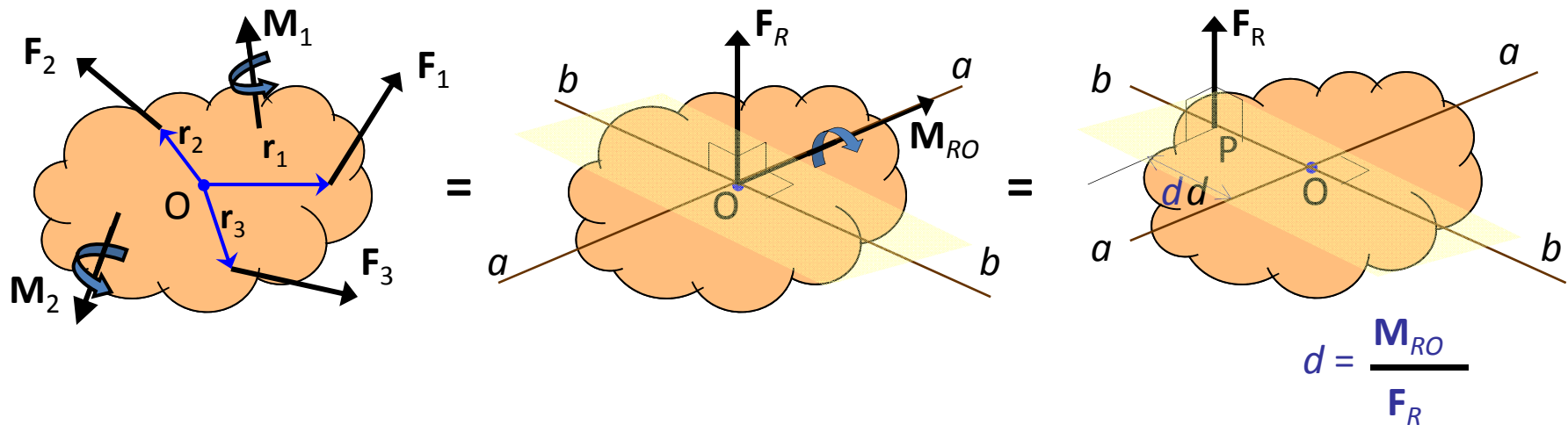
Determine the magnitude and direction of a resultant force equivalent force system and locate its point of application.

[Answer : $F_R = -1190N (\downarrow)$, $y = 2.84m$ $x = 1.24m$]



Simplification to a Single Force System

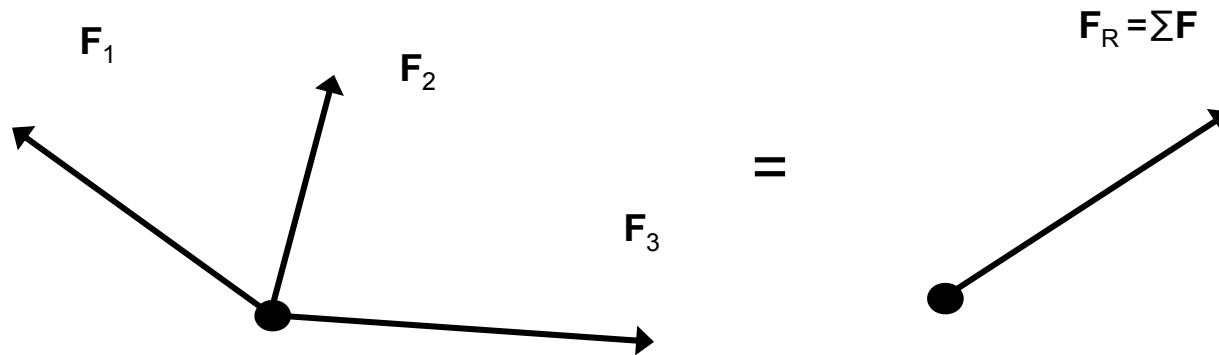
Consider a **special case** for which the system of forces and couple moments reduces at point O of the resultant force \mathbf{F}_R and couple \mathbf{M}_R which are **perpendicular** to each other.



If the system of forces is either concurrent, coplanar, or parallel, it can be reduced (as in the above case), to a single resultant force \mathbf{F}_R .

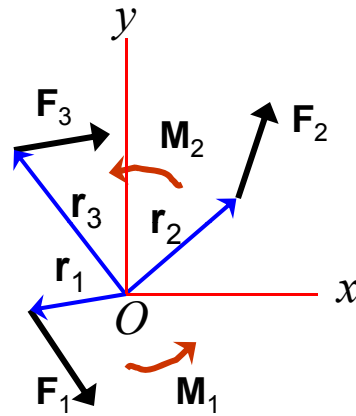
This is because in each of these cases \mathbf{F}_R and \mathbf{M}_R will always be perpendicular to each other when the force system is simplified at *any* point.

1. Concurrent Force System

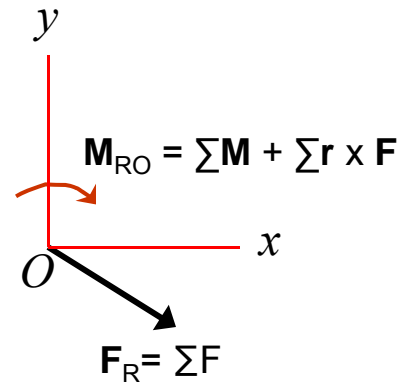


2.Coplanar Force System

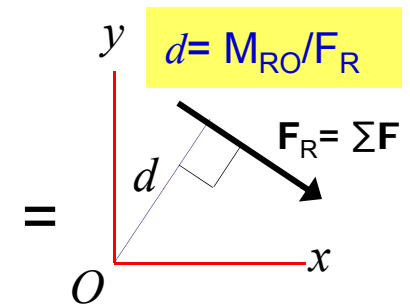
*Couple moments
are \perp to plane of
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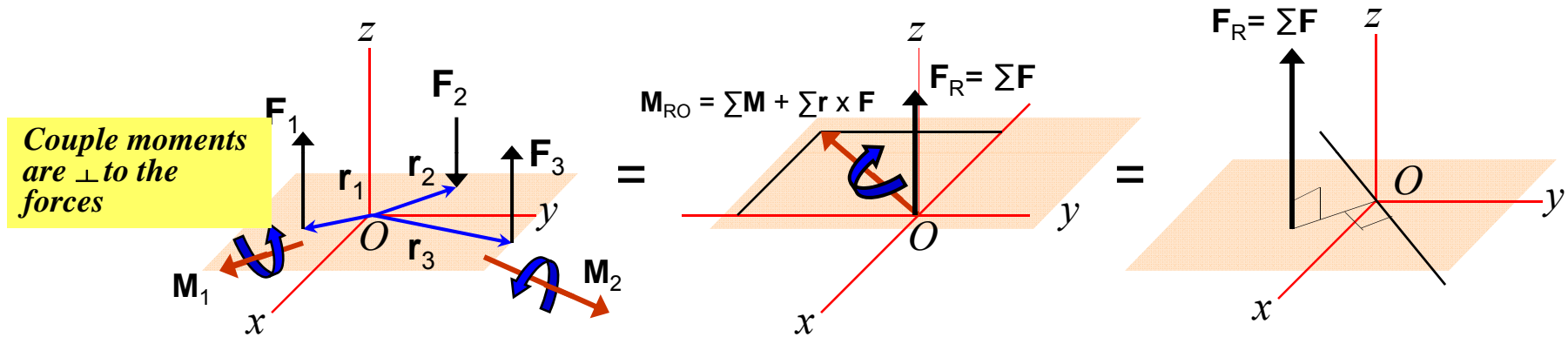
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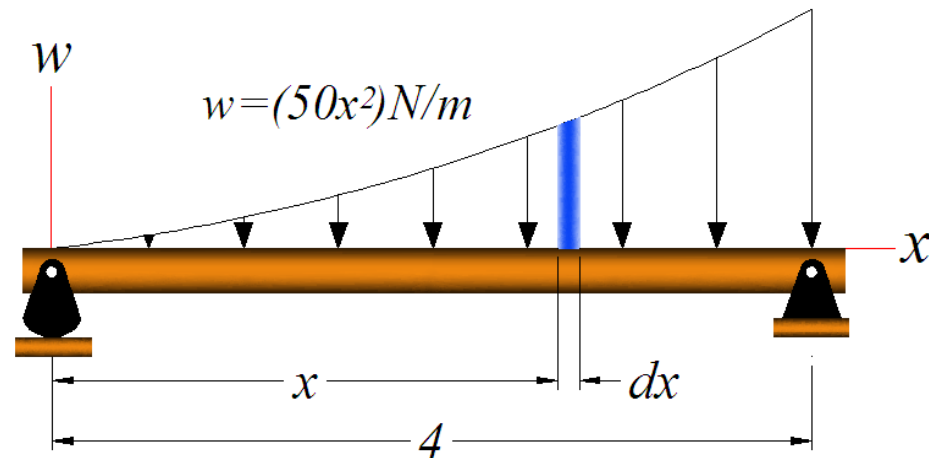
3. Parallel Force System



Example

Determine the magnitude and location of the equivalent resultant force acting on the beam.

[Answer : $F_R = -1190N (\downarrow)$, $\bar{x} = 3m$]

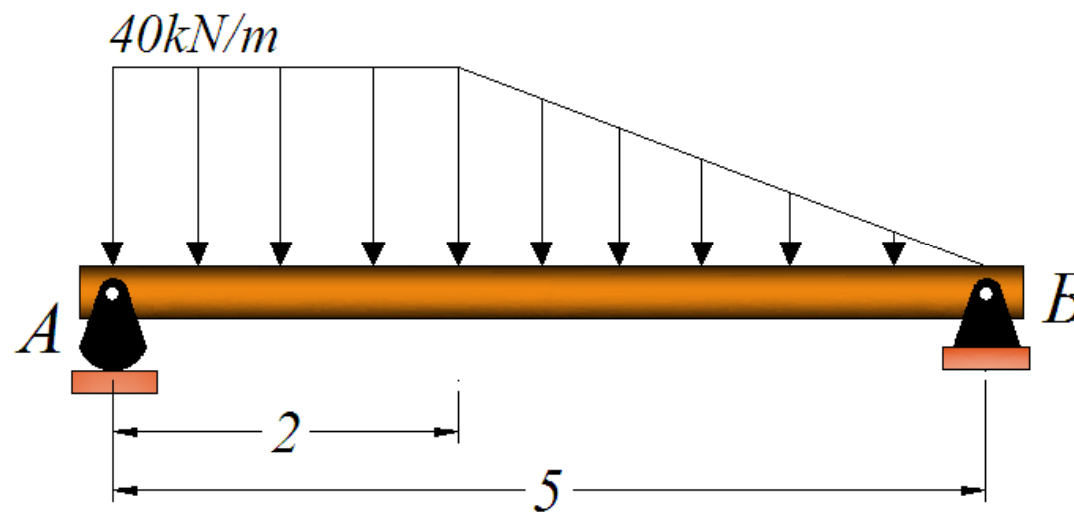


$$dA = w dx = 50x^2 dx$$

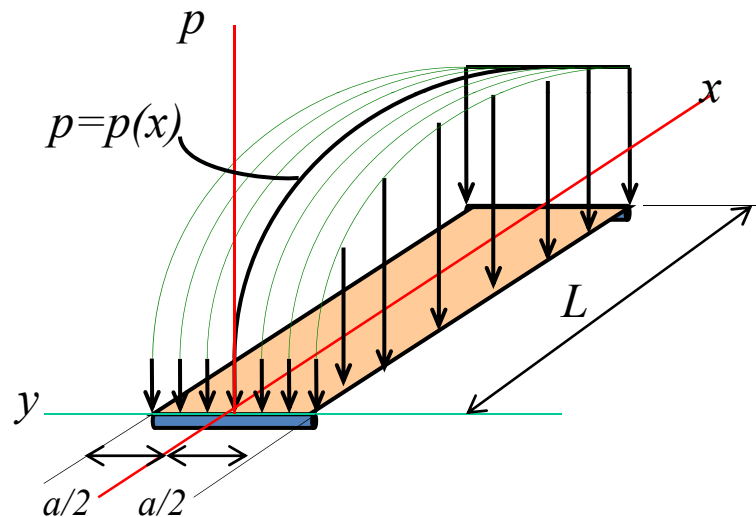
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Determine the magnitude and location of the equivalent resultant force acting on the beam.

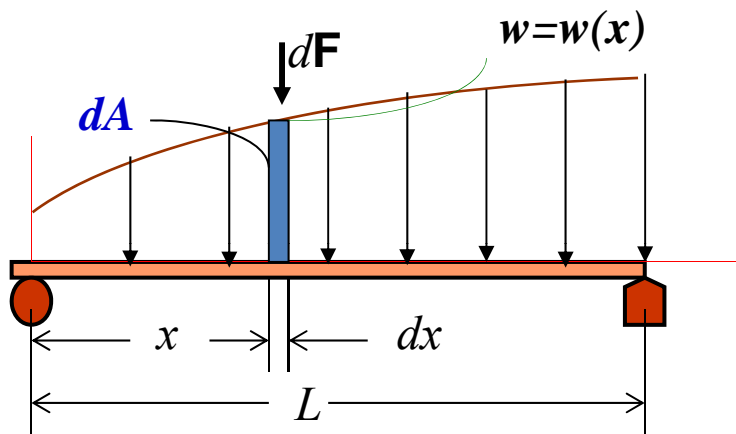
[Answer : $F_R = 140\text{KN}$, $\bar{x} = 1.86\text{m}$]



Reduction of a simple Distributed Loading



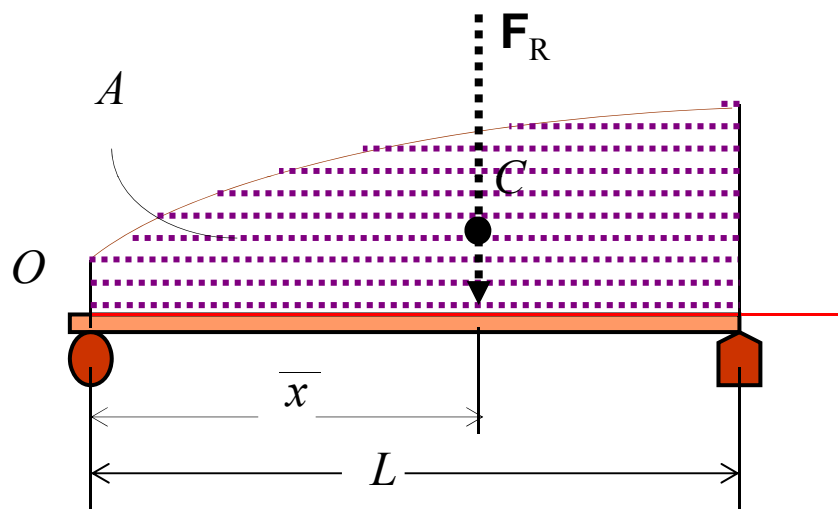
Uniform pressure along one axis on a flat rectangular surface. The load intensity is of the load represented by the arrows form a system of parallel forces, infinite in numbers, each acting on a separate differential area.



Load function, $p = p(x)$
 [pressure uniform in y axis]

Multiply $p = p(x)$ with the width a , we obtain;
 $w = p(x) a = w x$

This loading function is a measure of load distribution along the line $y=0$ which is the plane of symmetry of the loading. Note: it is load per unit length.



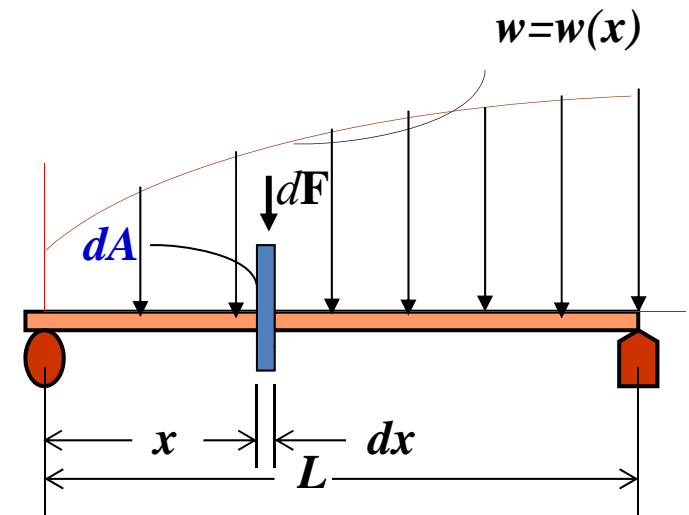
In a system of coplanar parallel forces, the load intensity can be represented by $w = w(x)$

This system of forces can be simplified to a single force F_R and its location x can be specified.

Magnitude of Resultant Force

For an elemental length dx as shown in the diagram, the force acting is;

$$dF = w(x) dx = dA \text{ [shaded area]}$$



For entire length;

$$+\downarrow F_R = \sum F: F_R = \int w(x) dx = \int dA = A$$

Hence, the magnitude of the resultant force is equal to the total area A under the loading diagram $w = w(x)$.

Location of Resultant Force

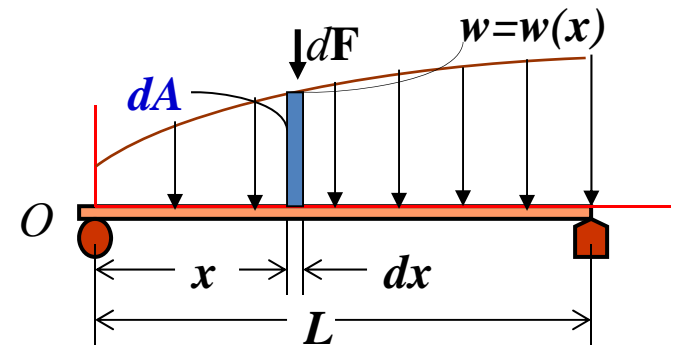
$$M_{RO} = \Sigma M_O$$

Equating the moment of the F_R and the force distribution about O.

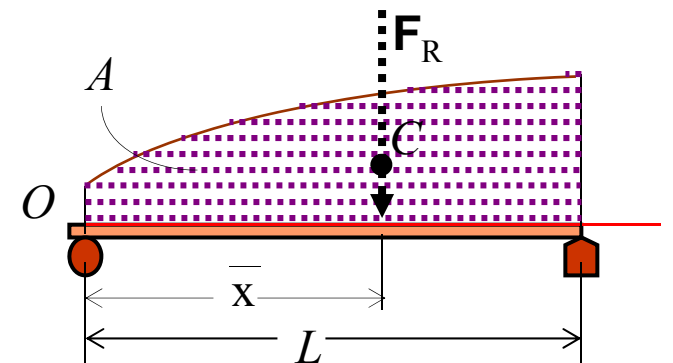
$$\curvearrowright + M_{RO} = \Sigma M_O: \quad \bar{x} F_R = \int_L x w(x) dx$$

Solving for \bar{x} ;

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\int_L x w(x) dx}{\int_L w(x) dx} = \frac{\int_A x dA}{\int_A dA}$$

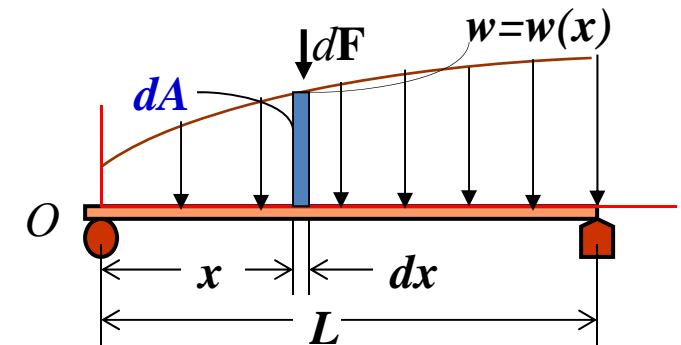


dF produces a moment of $x dF = x w(x) dx$ about O.



Location of Resultant Force

This eqn represents the \bar{x} coordinate for the geometric center (centroid) of the area under the distributed loading diagram $w(x)$.



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The resultant force has a line of action which passes through the centroid C of the area defined by the distributed loading diagram $w(x)$.

