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**Course Title: Construction Materials and Engineering
Mechanics**

Lecture No. 14:
Problems on Coplanar Concurrent Force Systems

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Lecture Intended Learning Outcomes

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

- Apply the method of resolution and find the resultant of coplanar concurrent force system
- Solve for the unknown forces given the resultant of concurrent force system
- Calculate the angles of applied forces given the resultant of concurrent force system



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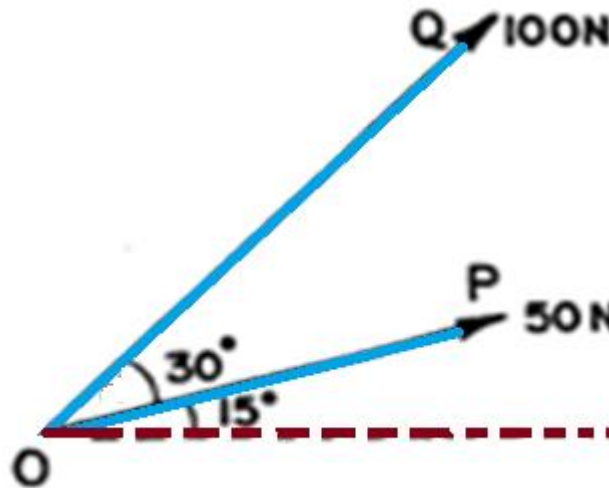
- **Analysis of Coplanar Concurrent and Non-Concurrent System of Forces**

Resultant of Concurrent force systems by method of Resolution-
Numerical problems



Problems

1. Two forces are acting at a point O as shown in the figure. Determine the resultant in magnitude and direction.

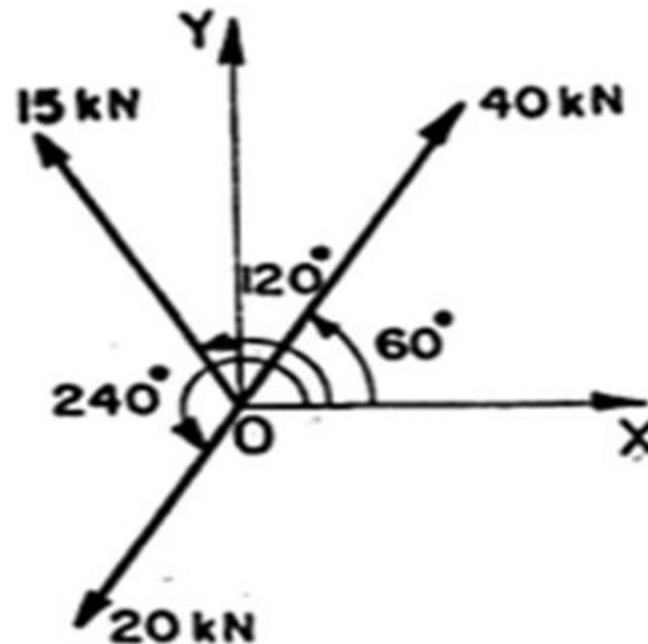


$$R = 145.46 \text{ N}$$

$$\alpha = 35.10^\circ$$

Problems

2. Three forces of magnitude 40 kN, 15 kN and 20 kN are acting at a point O as shown in the fig. The angles made by the 40 kN, 15 kN and 20 kN forces with the x-axis are 60° , 120° and 240° respectively. Determine the magnitude and the direction of the resultant force.

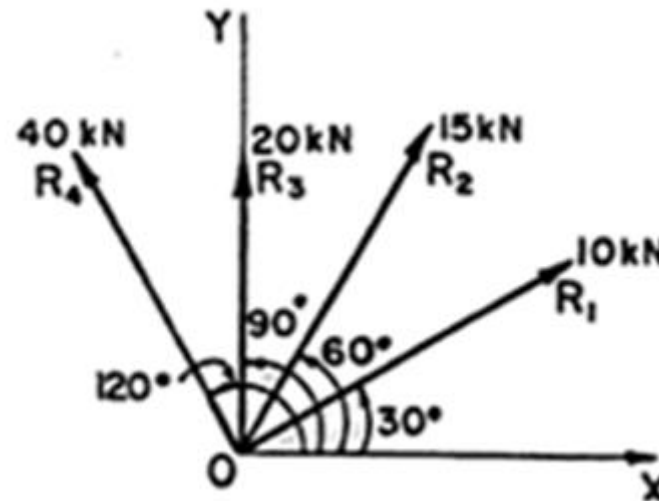


$$R=30.41\text{kN}$$



Problems

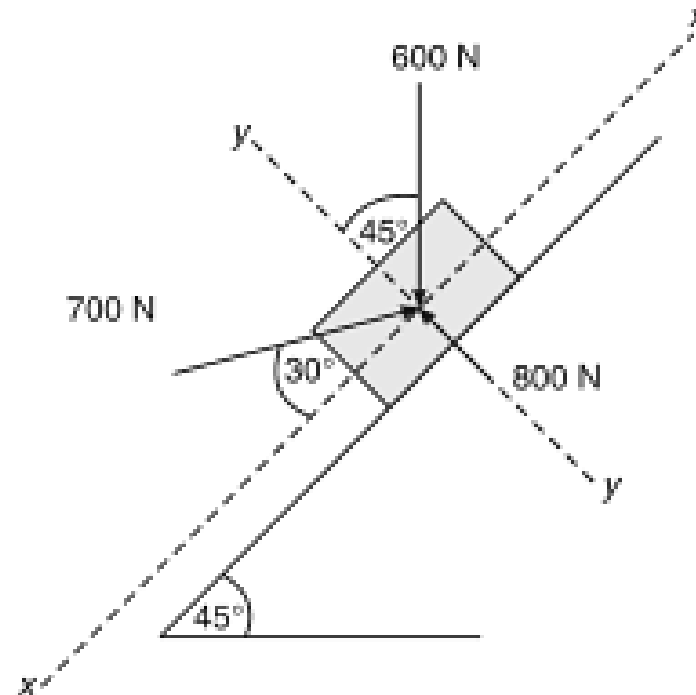
3. Three forces of magnitude 40 kN, 20 kN, 15kN and 10 kN are acting at a point O as shown in the fig . The angles made by the 40 kN, 20 kN, 15kN and 10 kN forces with the x-axis are 120° , 90° , 60° , and 30° respectively. Determine the magnitude and the direction of the resultant force.



$$R=72.73\text{kN}$$

Problems

4. Determine the resultant of the system of the forces acting on the body as shown in the figure

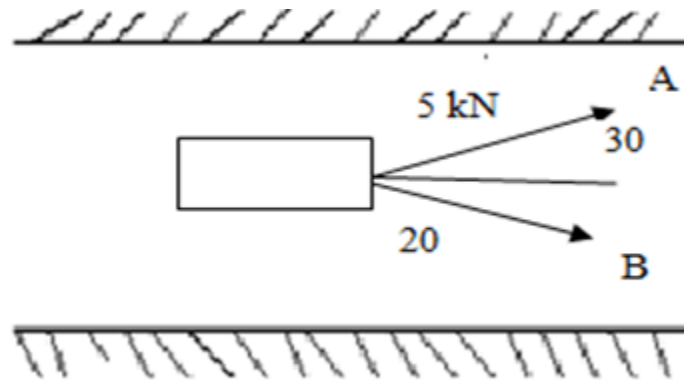


$$R=183.764\text{kN}$$

Problems

5. A truck has to be pulled along a straight road as shown in Figure

- i) If the force applied along rope A is 5 kN inclined at 30° , what should be the force in the rope B, which is inclined at 20° , so that the vehicle moves along the road?
- ii) If a force of 4 kN is applied in rope B at what angle rope B should be inclined so that the vehicle is pulled along the road?



$$(i) F_B = 7.31 \text{ kN}$$

$$(ii) \alpha = 38.68^\circ$$

Summary

- The forces can be resolved and the resultant of coplanar concurrent force system can be obtained
- The unknown forces can be evaluated if the resultant of concurrent force system and direction of the resultant is known

