

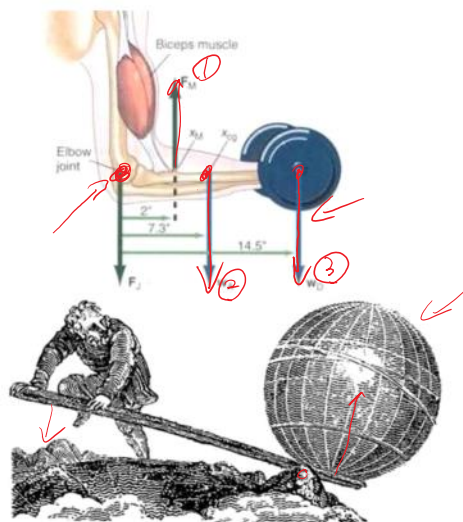
Lecture Objectives



Moment about a point

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Applications

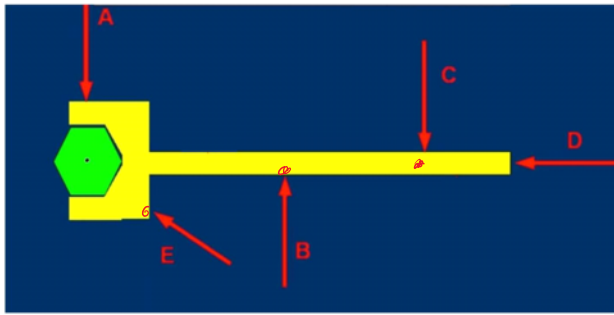


Moment - A turning effect produced by a force acting at a distance on an object.

Give me a place to stand, and a lever long enough, and I will move the world.

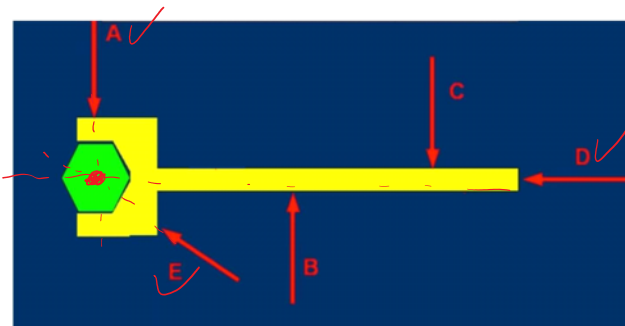
-Archimedes

Moment of a Force



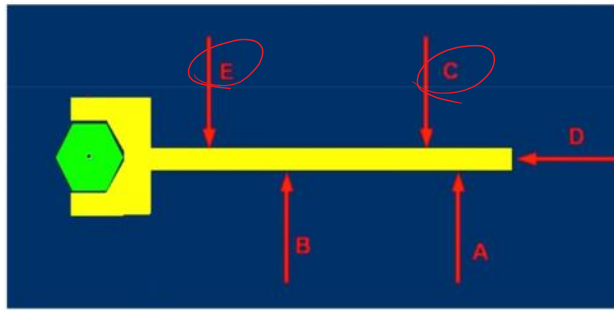
All five forces shown above have the same magnitude, do they have the same effects on the wrench??

Moment of a Force



Which force(s) have NO turning effect?

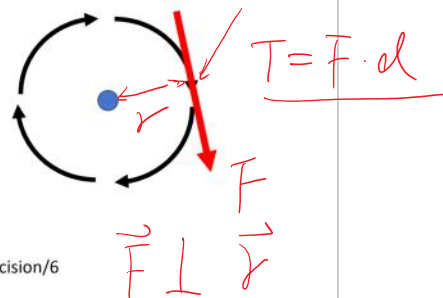
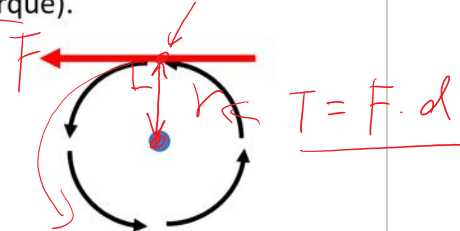
Moment of a Force



Which force(s) yields a “tighty” effect?

Moment of a force – scalar formulation

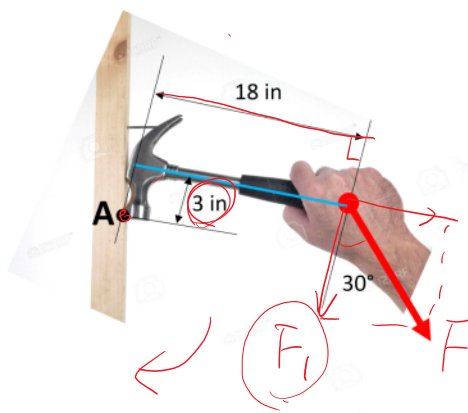
The **moment of a force about a point** provides a measure of the **tendency for rotation** (sometimes called a torque).



<https://www.dyess.af.mil/News/Features/Display/Article/813403/masters-of-precision/6>

Example – Scalar Formulation

Determine the moment of this force about the point A as a function of F.



$$F_1 = F \cdot \cos 30^\circ$$

$$F_2 = F \cdot \sin 30^\circ$$

$$M_A = F_1 \cdot 3 + F_2 \cdot 18 = F \cdot \cos 30^\circ \cdot 3 + F \cdot \sin 30^\circ \cdot 18$$

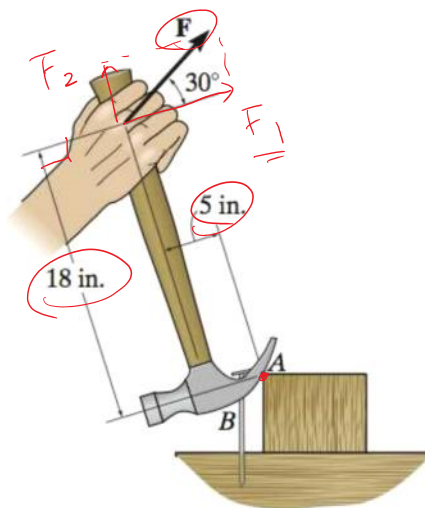
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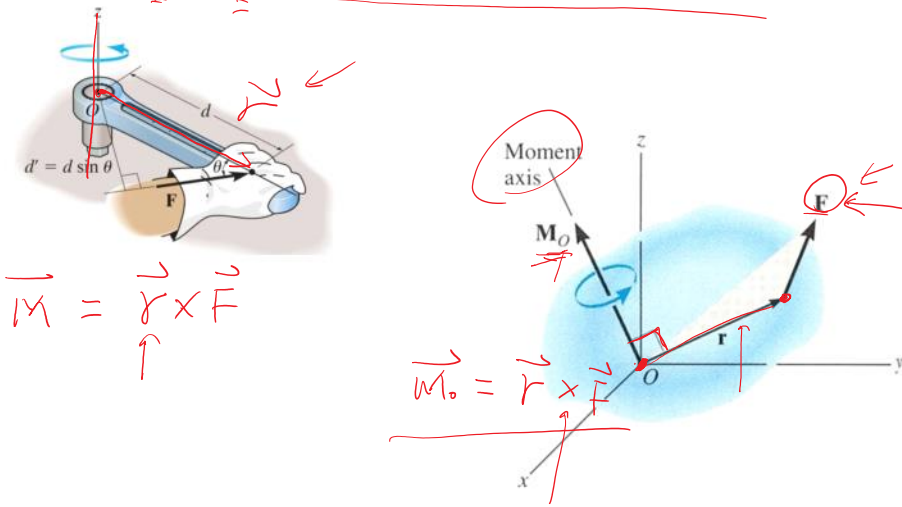
$$F_2 = F \cdot \sin 30^\circ$$



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Moment of a force – vector formulation

The moment of a force \mathbf{F} about point \mathbf{O} , or actually about the moment axis passing through \mathbf{O} and perpendicular to the plane containing \mathbf{O} and \mathbf{F} , can be expressed using the cross (vector)

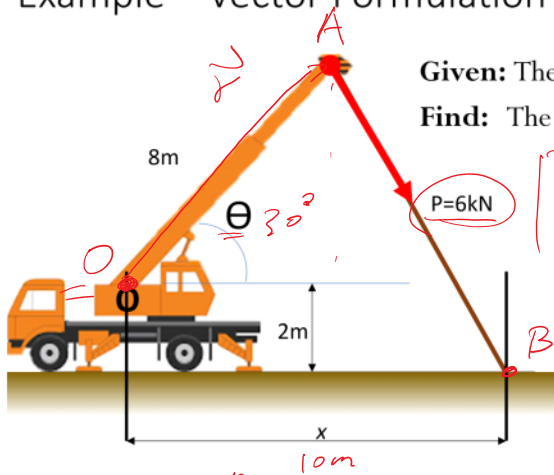


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If $\vec{\mathbf{M}} = \vec{\mathbf{r}} \times \vec{\mathbf{F}}$, then what will be the value of $\vec{\mathbf{M}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{r}}$?

- A) 0 ✓
- B) 1
- C) $r^2 F$
- D) None of the above
- E) Depends

Example – Vector Formulation



Given: The angle $\theta = 30^\circ$ and $x = 10$ m.

Find: The moment by \mathbf{P} about point O.

$$\vec{M}_O = \vec{r} \times \vec{P}$$

$$A = (8 \cos 30^\circ, 8 \sin 30^\circ, 0)$$

$$\vec{r}_{OA} = (8 \cos 30^\circ, 8 \sin 30^\circ, 0)$$

$$\vec{P} = |P| \hat{u}$$

$$\hat{u} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB}}{|\vec{r}_{AB}|} \quad B(10, -2, 0)$$

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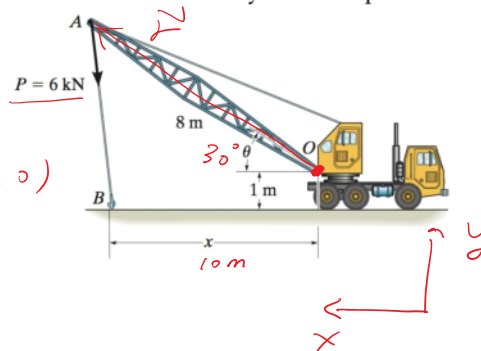
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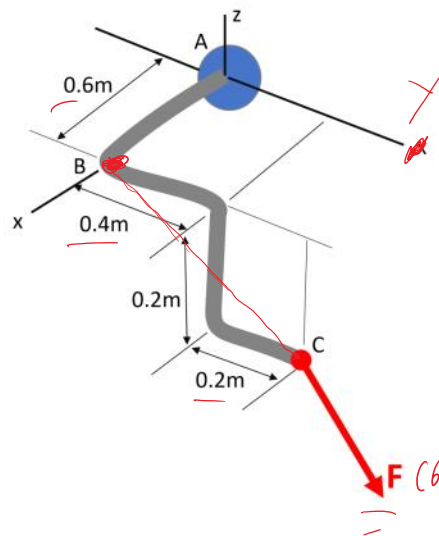
Example – Vector Formulation



Geothermal and photovoltaic pipes at Iowa Army Ammunition Plant

Given: $\mathbf{F} = \{600\mathbf{i} + 800\mathbf{j} - 500\mathbf{k}\}$ N

Find: Moment of the force about point B.



$$\vec{r} = \vec{B} = (0, 0.6, 0.2)$$

$$\vec{M} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F} =$$

$$B(0.6, 0, 0)$$

$$C(0.6, 0.6, 0.2)$$

$$\mathbf{F}(600, 800, -500) \text{ N}$$