

Lecture Objectives



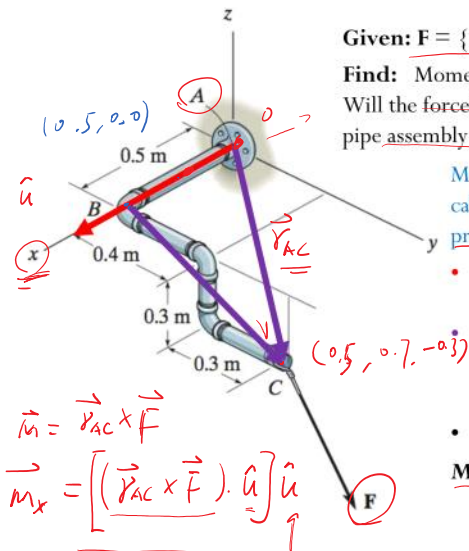
Moment about an axis



Reduction of distributed loading

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Example – Moment about an Axis



Moment about an axis can be calculated using the triple scalar product formula that requires:

- Unit vector that represents the moment axis direction (\mathbf{u})
- Position vector from the moment axis to the line of action of the force (\mathbf{r})
- The force vector (\mathbf{F})

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

$$\rightarrow (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_{AC} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.5 & 0.4 & 0.3 \\ 600 & 800 & -500 \end{vmatrix}$$

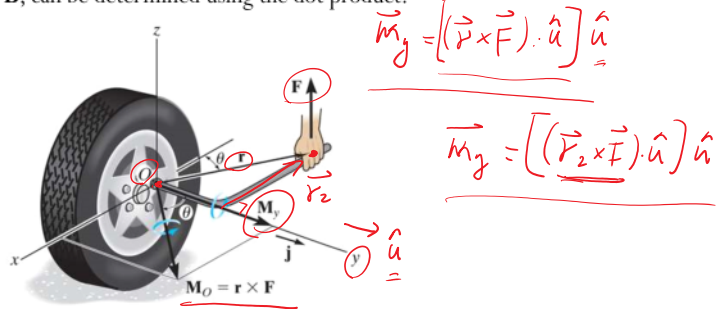
$$\mathbf{M}_x = 0.7(-500) - (-0.3 \cdot 800) \hat{i}$$

$$= -350 + 240 = -110 \hat{i}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_x = [(\mathbf{r}_{AC} \times \mathbf{F}) \cdot \hat{u}] \hat{u}$$

Moment about a Specific Axis

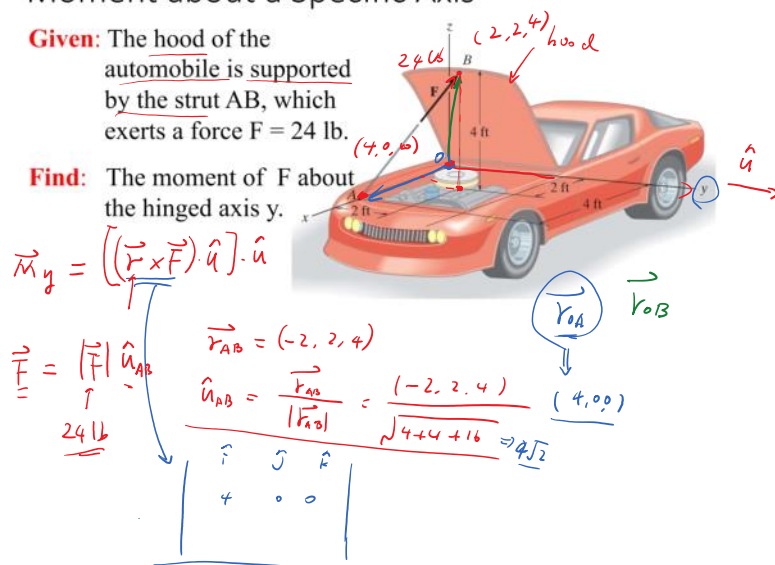
Remember, the component of a vector, **A**, along the direction of another, **B**, can be determined using the dot product:



Moment about a Specific Axis

Given: The hood of the automobile is supported by the strut AB, which exerts a force $F = 24$ lb.

Find: The moment of F about the hinged axis y .



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The force \mathbf{F} is acting along DC . Using the triple scalar product to determine the moment of \mathbf{F} about the bar BA , you could use any of the following position vectors except:

A) \mathbf{r}_{BC} ✓

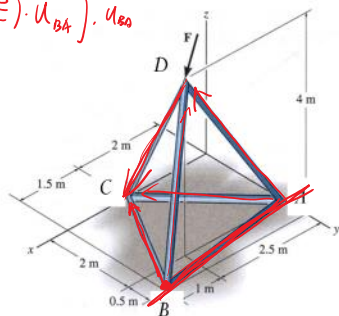
B) \mathbf{r}_{AD} ✓

C) \mathbf{r}_{AC} ✓

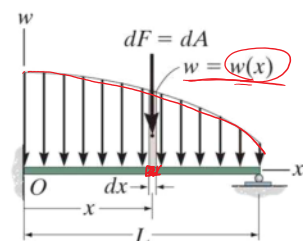
D) \mathbf{r}_{DB} ✗

E) \mathbf{r}_{BD} ✓

$$\mathbf{M}_{BA} = \left(\left(\vec{r} \times \vec{F} \right) \cdot \hat{u}_{BA} \right) \cdot \hat{u}_{BA}$$



Distributed Loading



A common case of distributed loading is a uniform load along one axis of a flat rectangular body.

In such cases, w is a function of x and has units of

$$dF = w \cdot dx, \quad w: \frac{N}{m}$$

Consider an element of length dx . The force magnitude dF acting on it is given as

$$\int dF = \int w(x) dx$$

The net force on the beam is given by

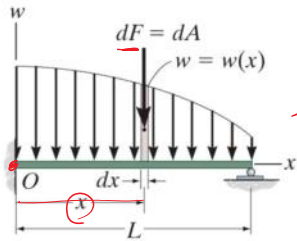
$$\bar{F}_R = \int dF = \int_0^L w(x) dx$$



$$dF = w \cdot dx \cdot dy$$

$$w(x, y): \frac{N}{m^2}$$

Location of the Resultant Force

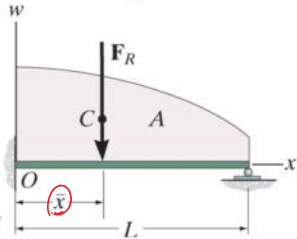


The force dF will produce a moment about O of

$$\int dM = dF \cdot x = \int x w \cdot dx$$

The total moment about point O is

$$M_O = \int dM = \int_0^L x \cdot w(x) \cdot dx$$

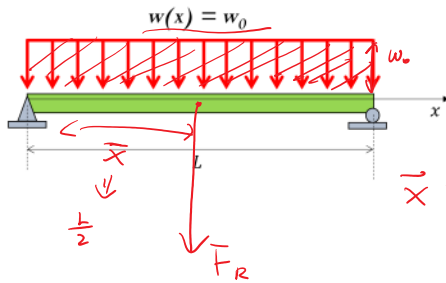


Assuming that F_R acts at \bar{x} , it will produce the moment about point O as

$$F_R \cdot \bar{x} = \int_0^L x \cdot w(x) \cdot dx$$

$$\text{Hence, } \bar{x} = \frac{\int_0^L x \cdot w(x) \cdot dx}{F_R} = \frac{\int_0^L x \cdot w(x) \cdot dx}{\int_0^L w(x) \cdot dx}$$

Rectangle Loading



$$F_R = \int_0^L w_0 \cdot dx$$

$$= w_0 \cdot x \Big|_0^L$$

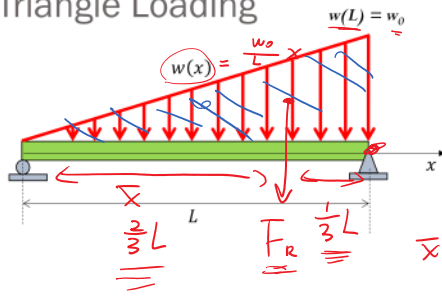
$$= w_0 L$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\int_0^L x \cdot w_0 \cdot dx}{w_0 L}$$

$$= \frac{w_0 \int_0^L x \cdot dx}{w_0 L}$$

$$= \frac{w_0 \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^2 \Big|_0^L}{w_0 L} = \frac{1}{2} L$$

Triangle Loading



$$\begin{aligned}
 F_R &= \int_0^L w(x) \cdot dx \\
 &= \frac{w_0}{2} \int_0^L x \cdot dx \\
 &= \frac{w_0}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} x^2 \Big|_0^L \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} w_0 L
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{x} &= \frac{\int_0^L x \cdot w(x) \cdot dx}{F_R} = \frac{\frac{w_0}{2} \int_0^L x^2 \cdot dx}{\frac{1}{2} w_0 L} \\
 &= \frac{2}{L^2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} x^3 \Big|_0^L \\
 &= \frac{2}{3} \cdot L
 \end{aligned}$$