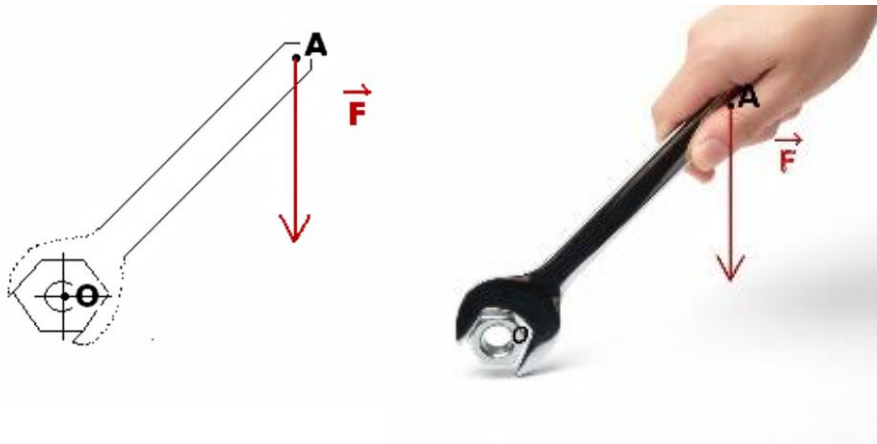


## The moment of a force

### Exercise 01 :

To tighten a nut, we can consider that the hand exerts a force applied at point **A**, located at the end of the wrench. The axis of rotation  $\Delta$  of the nut is horizontal; the force lies in a plane perpendicular to the nut's axis, and its direction is vertical.

Calculate the **moment of this force** with respect to the axis  $(O, \Delta)$ , given that:  $(\overrightarrow{OA}, \vec{F}) = 50^\circ$ ;  $AO = 20 \text{ cm}$ ;  $F = 20 \text{ N}$ .

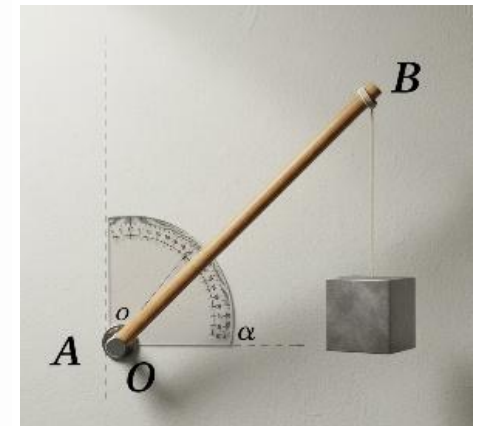
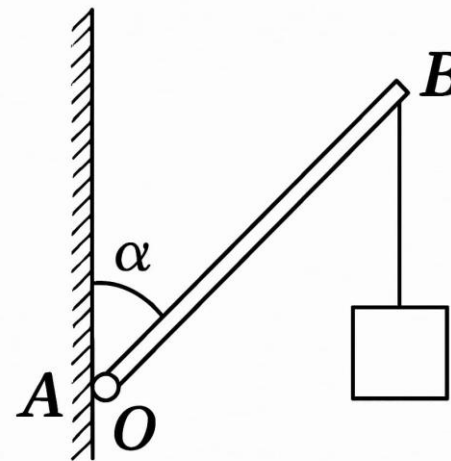


### Exercise 02 :

A rod of negligible weight is fixed into a wall at point **A**. It supports at point **B** a load of weight **2500 N**.

Calculate the moment of this load about the horizontal axis passing through the built-in end **A**.

Given:  $AB = 1.5 \text{ m}$ ,  $\alpha = 55^\circ$



### Exercise 03 .

The system shown in the figure consists of:

- **AB**: a homogeneous rod of mass **M** and length **L**, pivoting about a fixed axis located at point **A**.
- **R**: a horizontal helical spring of stiffness **k**, attached at point **B**.

At equilibrium, the rod forms an angle  $\alpha$  with the vertical.



1. Draw the free-body diagram of the rod at equilibrium, showing all forces acting on it.

2-a. Write the expression of the moment produced by each force with respect to the axis through point **A**.

2-b. State the condition of rotational equilibrium of the rod.

3. Derive the expression of the spring extension **a** as a function of **m**, **k**,  $\alpha$ , and **L**, then perform the numerical calculation.

Given:  $k = 100 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}$ ;  $M = 500 \text{ g}$ ;  $\alpha = 45^\circ$

4. Determine the characteristics (magnitude, direction and line of action) of the reaction force exerted by the pivot at point **A**.

