



ENGR 057 Statics and Dynamics

Introduction to the course

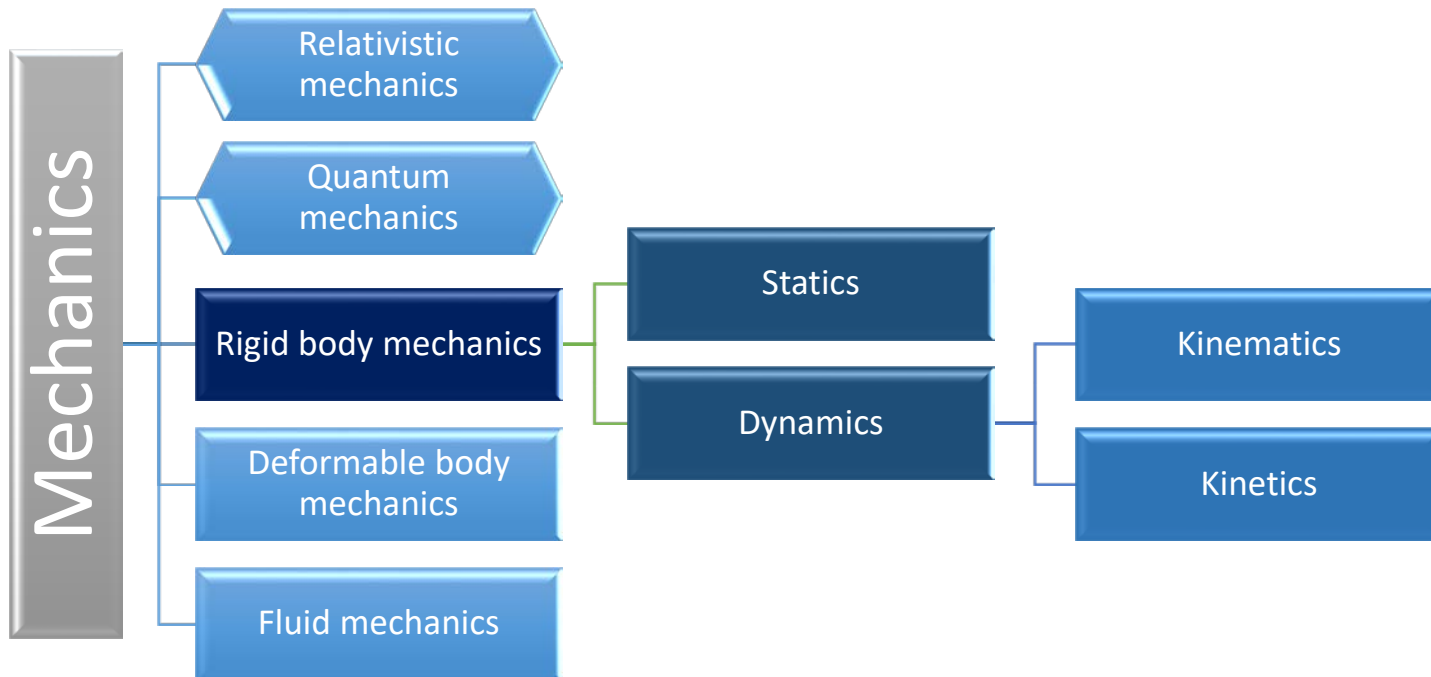
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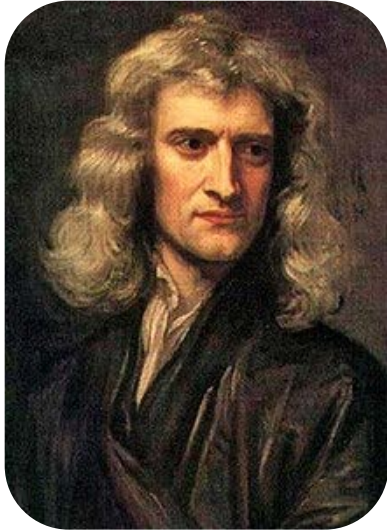
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What is mechanics?

- From Greek *mēchanikós*, meaning “of machines”
- Machines are made up of physical objects (bodies) on which forces are applied
- Bodies respond to forces by either deforming or moving
- Mechanics is the analysis of the action of forces on bodies



Fundamentals: Newton's laws of motions

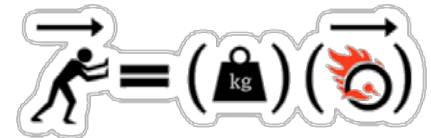


*Portrait of Isaac
Newton*

1. In an inertial frame of reference, an object either remains at rest or continues to move at a constant velocity, unless acted upon by a force



2. In an inertial reference frame, the vector sum of the forces \mathbf{F} on an object is equal to the mass m of that object multiplied by the acceleration \mathbf{a} of the object: $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$



3. When one body exerts a force on a second body, the second body simultaneously exerts a force equal in magnitude and opposite in direction on the first body



Fundamentals: Units of measurement

- Fundamental physical quantities:
 - Length
 - Mass
 - Time
 - Force (push or a pull)
- Special names are given to an amounts of these quantities, called units.
- We will mostly use the International System (SI) of units
- You must always express your physical quantities in consistent units

Systems of units

Name	Length	Time	Mass	Force
International System of Units SI	meter m	second s	kilogram kg	newton* $\frac{\text{N}}{\left(\frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}\right)}$
U.S. Customary FPS	foot ft	second s	slug* $\left(\frac{\text{lb} \cdot \text{s}^2}{\text{ft}}\right)$	pound lb

*Derived unit.

TABLE 1-2 Conversion Factors

Quantity	Unit of Measurement (FPS)	Equals	Unit of Measurement (SI)
Force	lb		4.448 N
Mass	slug		14.59 kg
Length	ft		0.3048 m

TABLE 1-3 Prefixes

	Exponential Form	Prefix	SI Symbol
<i>Multiple</i>			
1 000 000 000	10^9	giga	G
1 000 000	10^6	mega	M
1 000	10^3	kilo	k
<i>Submultiple</i>			
0.001	10^{-3}	milli	m
0.000 001	10^{-6}	micro	μ
0.000 000 001	10^{-9}	nano	n

PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGY: A 3 Step Approach

- 1. Interpret:** Read carefully and determine what is given and what is to be found/ delivered. Ask, if not clear. If necessary, make assumptions and indicate them.
- 2. Plan:** Think about major steps (or a road map) that you will take to solve a given problem. Think of alternative/creative solutions and choose the best one.
- 3. Execute:** Carry out your steps. Use appropriate diagrams and equations. Estimate your answers. Avoid simple calculation mistakes. Reflect on / revise your work.

Numerical calculations must have dimensional homogeneity. Dimensions must be the same on both sides of the equal sign

Use 3 significant figures to give your answer, but do not round off for intermediate calculations

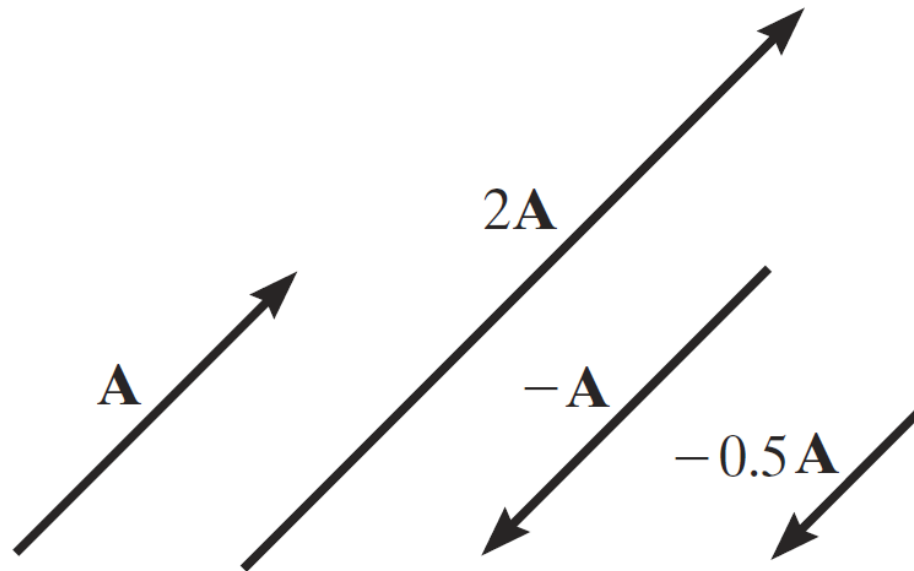
Scalars

- Magnitude only
- Arithmetic addition
- Mass, volume, time, charge, etc.
- Denoted with plain text

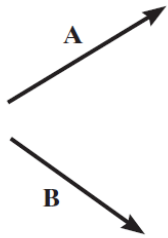
Vectors

- Magnitude and direction
- Vectorial addition
- Velocity, force, field, heat flux, etc.
- Denoted with **bold** or arrow \vec{A}

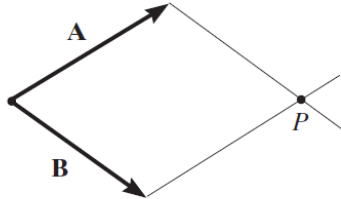
Multiplication and division by a scalar



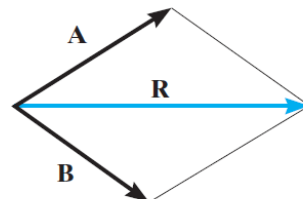
Vector addition – parallelogram law - triangle rule



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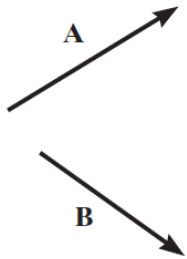
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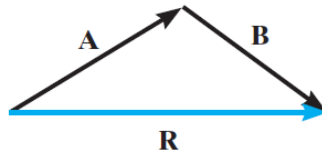
Parallelogram law

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Subtraction can be performed by simply changing the direction of a vector and then performing addition



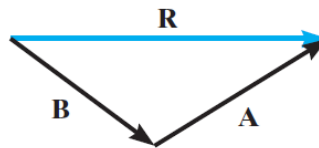
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$$R = A + B$$

Triangle rule

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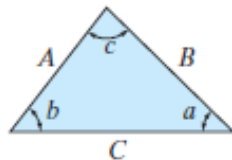


$$R = B + A$$

Triangle rule

(c)

Proper graphical representation is essential to understand vector operations.



Cosine law:

$$C = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - 2AB \cos c}$$

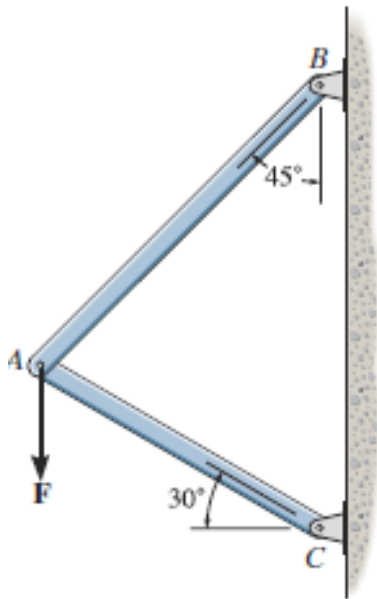
Sine law:

$$\frac{A}{\sin a} = \frac{B}{\sin b} = \frac{C}{\sin c}$$

Graphical operations can be cumbersome in three-dimensional space or if there are many vectors. An algebraic alternative would be useful

Example

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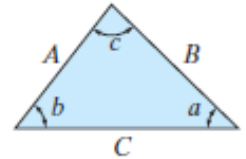
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Solution

Given $F = 500$ N, 2 angles

Asked: F_{AC} and F_{AB}

Remember:



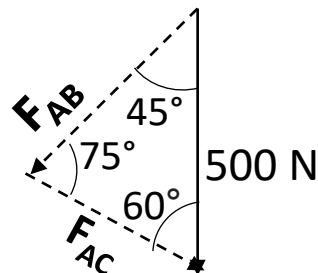
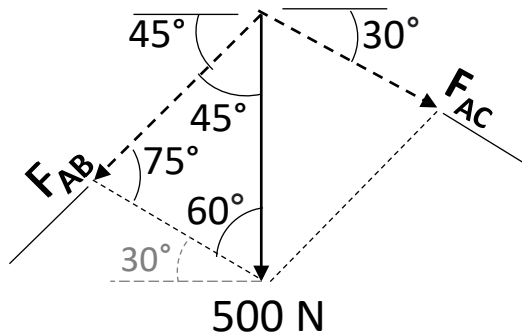
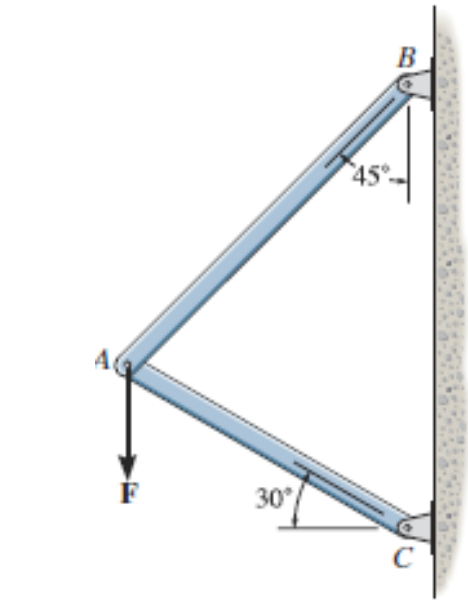
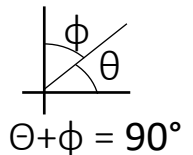
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$$a + b + c = 180^\circ$$

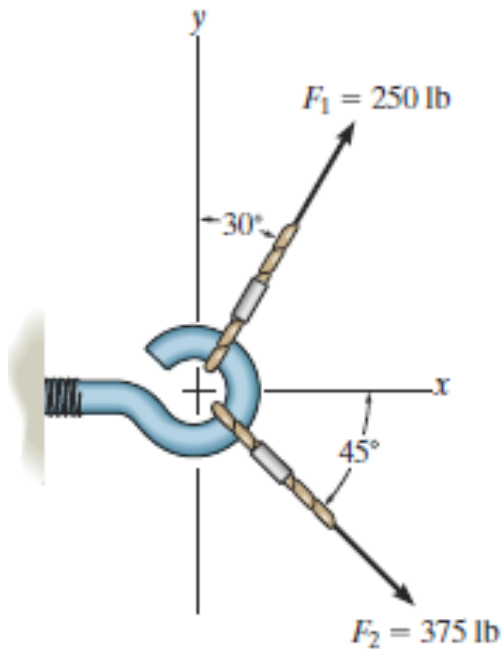


$$\frac{F_{AB}}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{500}{\sin 75^\circ}$$

$$F_{AB} = 448 \text{ N}$$

$$\frac{F_{AC}}{\sin 45^\circ} = \frac{500}{\sin 75^\circ}$$

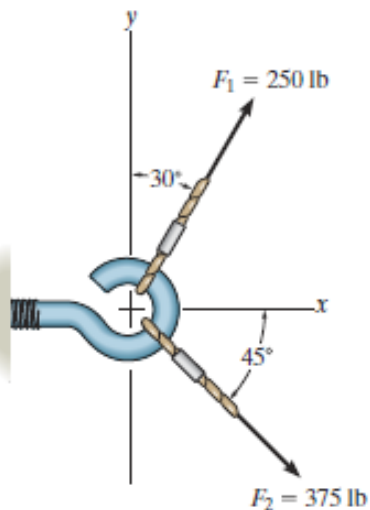
$$F_{AC} = 366 \text{ N}$$



Individual work (15 min)

Determine the magnitude of the resultant force $\mathbf{F}_R = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2$ and its direction, measured counterclockwise from the positive x axis.

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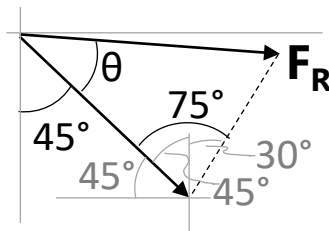
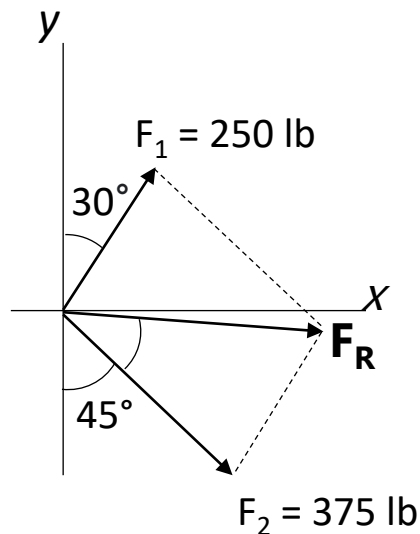


Determine the magnitude of the resultant force $\mathbf{F}_R = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2$ and its direction, measured counterclockwise from the positive x-axis.

Solution

Given $F_1 = 250$ lb, angle of F_1 with y-axis, $F_2 = 375$ lb, angle of F_2 with x-axis

Asked: \mathbf{F}_R (magnitude and angle ϕ with x-axis)



$$F_R = \sqrt{(250)^2 + (375)^2 - 2(250)(375) \cos 75^\circ}$$

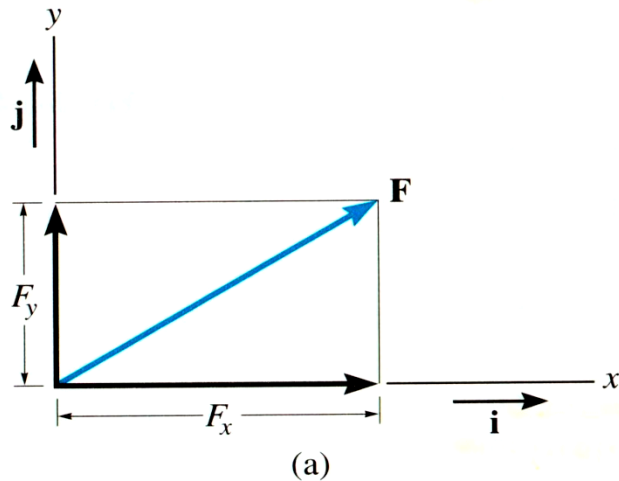
$$F_R = 393.2 = 393 \text{ lb}$$

$$\frac{393.2}{\sin 75^\circ} = \frac{250}{\sin \theta}$$

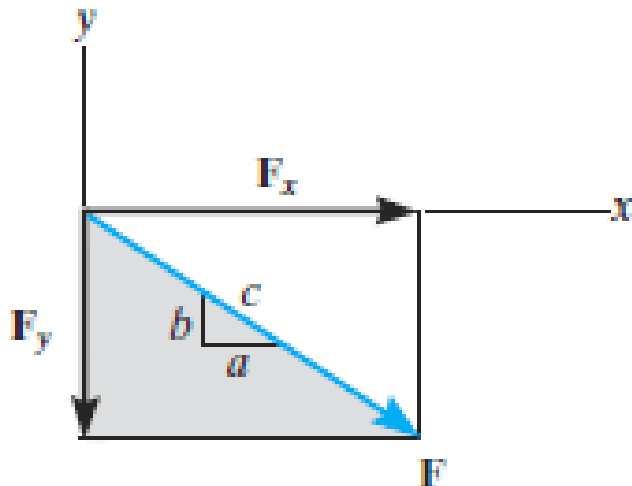
$$\theta = 37.89^\circ$$

$$\phi = 360^\circ - 45^\circ + 37.89^\circ = 353^\circ$$

ADDITION OF A SYSTEM OF COPLANAR FORCES



- We 'resolve' vectors into components using the x and y axis system.
- Each component of the vector is shown as a magnitude and a direction.
- The directions are based on the x and y axes. We use the "unit vectors" \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} to designate the x and y axes.



$$F_x = F \cos \theta$$

$$F_x = F \left(\frac{a}{c} \right)$$

$$F_y = F \sin \theta$$

$$F_y = -F \left(\frac{b}{c} \right)$$

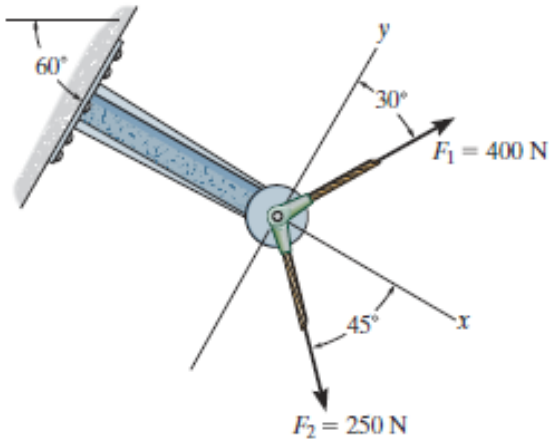
Example

Determine the magnitude of the resultant force and its direction measured counterclockwise from the positive x axis.

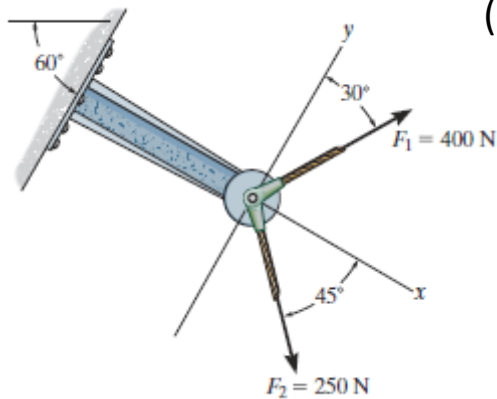
Solution

Given $F_1 = 400\text{ N}$, angle of F_1 with y-axis, $F_2 = 250\text{ N}$, angle of F_2 with x-axis

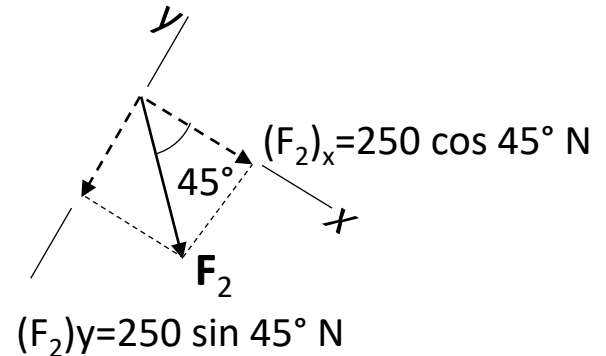
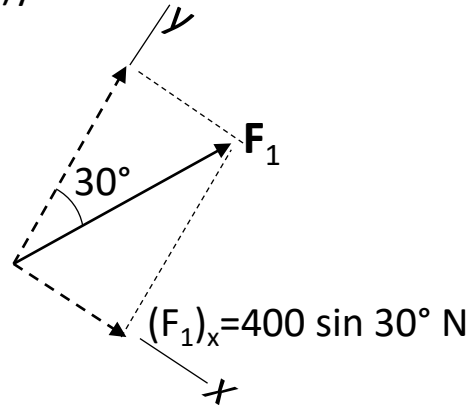
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Example



$$(F_1)_y = 400 \cos 30^\circ \text{ N}$$



$$(F_1)_x = 400 \sin 30^\circ \text{ N} = 200 \text{ N}$$

$$(F_1)_y = 400 \cos 30^\circ \text{ N} = 346.4 \text{ N}$$

$$(F_2)_x = 250 \cos 45^\circ \text{ N} = 176.8 \text{ N}$$

$$(F_2)_y = 250 \sin 45^\circ \text{ N} = 176.8 \text{ N}$$

Resultant force \mathbf{F}_R

$$(F_R)_x = \sum F_x = 200 + 176.8 = 376.8 \text{ N} \rightarrow$$

$$(F_R)_y = \sum F_y = 346.4 - 176.8 = 169.6 \text{ N} \uparrow$$

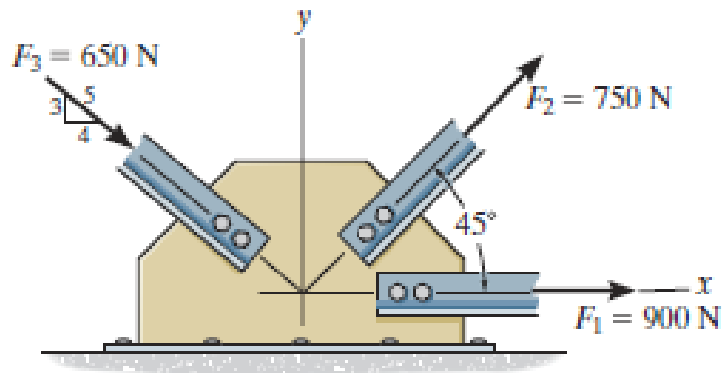
$$F_R = \sqrt{(F_R)_x^2 + (F_R)_y^2} = \sqrt{376.8^2 + 169.6^2}$$

$$F_R = 413 \text{ N}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(F_R)_y}{(F_R)_x} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{169.6}{376.8} \right] = 24.2^\circ$$

Individual work (15 min)

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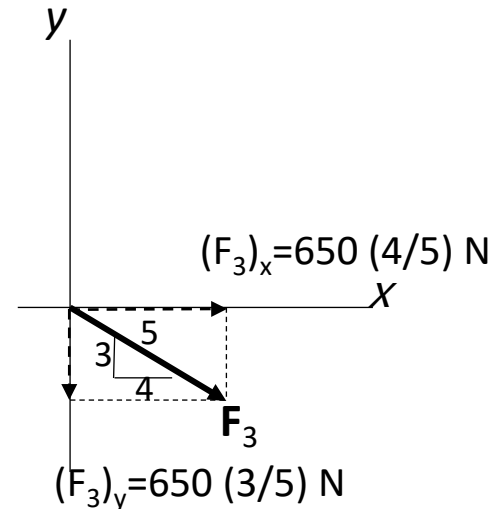
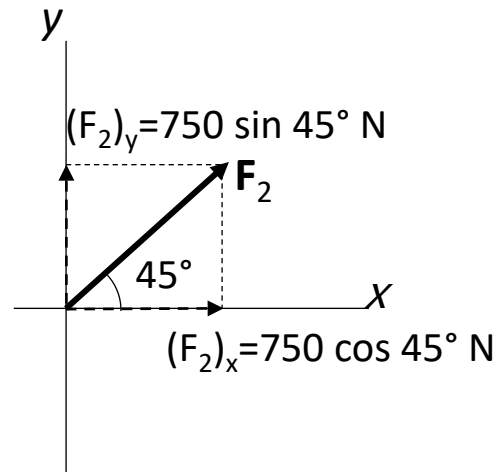
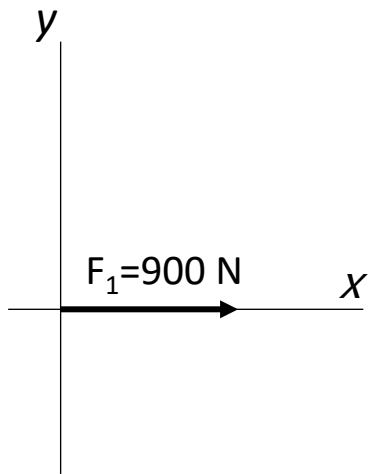
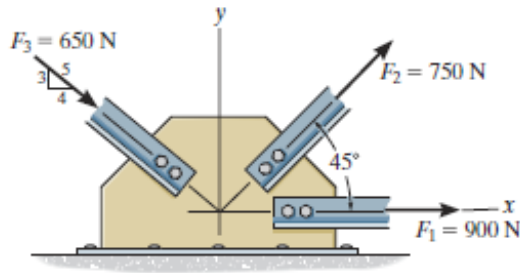
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$$(F_R)_x = \sum F_x = 900 + 750 \cos 45^\circ + 650 (4/5) = 1950.33\text{ N} \rightarrow$$

$$(F_R)_y = \sum F_y = 750 \sin 45^\circ - 650 (3/5) = 140.33\text{ N} \uparrow$$

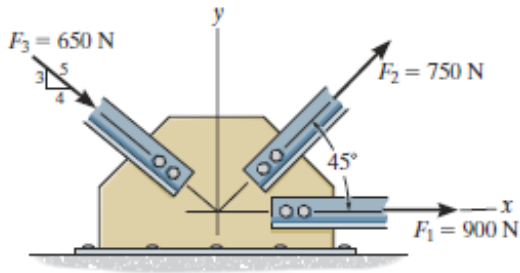
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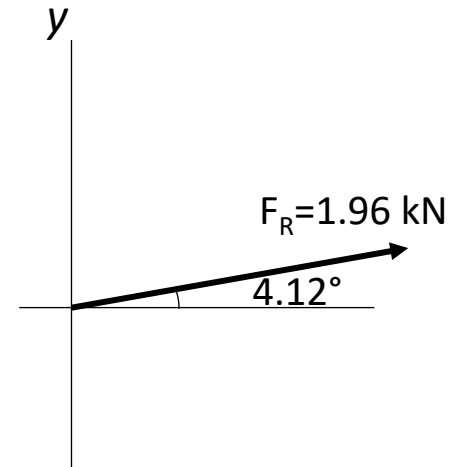
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$$(F_R)_y = \sum F_y = 750 \sin 45^\circ - 650 (3/5) = 140.33 \text{ N} \uparrow$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{(F_R)_x^2 + (F_R)_y^2} = \sqrt{1950.33^2 + 140.33^2}$$

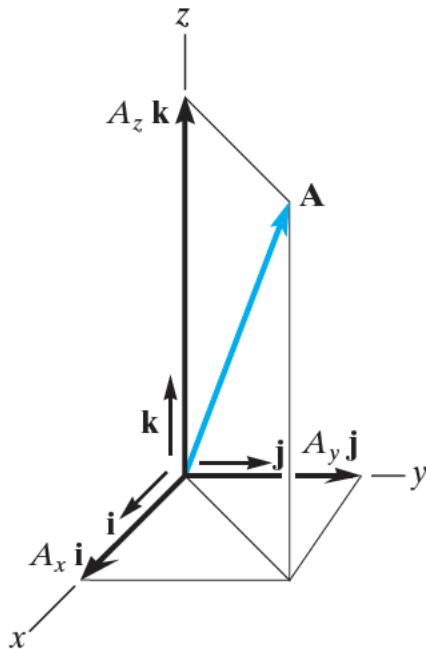
$$F_R = 1955 \text{ N} = 1.96 \text{ kN}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(F_R)_y}{(F_R)_x} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{140.33}{1950.33} \right] = 4.12^\circ$$



Cartesian vector notation

- It is often convenient to divide a vector \mathbf{v} by its own magnitude v . This operation is called normalization and its result $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ is called a unit vector
- The magnitude of this unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ is 1. It has no dimensions, and it has the same direction as the original vector \mathbf{v} before normalization
- The most important unit vectors are $\hat{\mathbf{i}}, \hat{\mathbf{j}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}$. These are direction vectors along the positive x , y , and z axes respectively
- Any vector can be expressed as a linear combination of $\hat{\mathbf{i}}, \hat{\mathbf{j}}, \hat{\mathbf{k}}$



$$\mathbf{A} = A_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + A_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + A_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

A_x, A_y, A_z are projections of \mathbf{A}

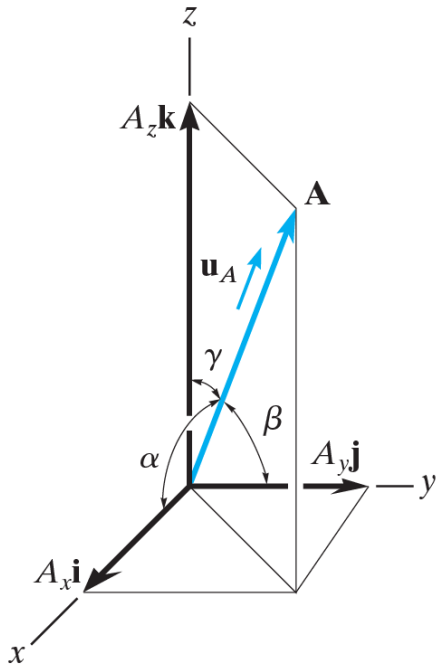
Direction vectors help us easily perform vector addition

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = (A_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + A_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + A_z \hat{\mathbf{k}}) + (B_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + B_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + B_z \hat{\mathbf{k}})$$

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = (A_x + B_x) \hat{\mathbf{i}} + (A_y + B_y) \hat{\mathbf{j}} + (A_z + B_z) \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

Cartesian vector notation

- Vectors can be expressed in trigonometrical terms
- The direction of a vector is defined by angles α , β , γ
- These angles are measured from the positive x , y , and z axes
- These angles are not independent



$$\cos \alpha = \frac{A_x}{A}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{A_y}{A}$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{A_z}{A}$$

From these definitions it follows that

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$$

For every vector \mathbf{A} there is a corresponding unit vector $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_A$

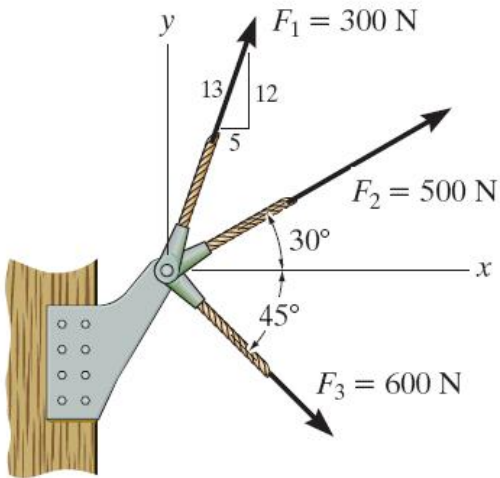
$$\hat{\mathbf{u}}_A = \cos \alpha \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \cos \beta \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \cos \gamma \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

Example

A bracket is subject to multiple forces, all in the same plane

If the force on the bracket exceeds a limit, it will break

Calculate the resultant force



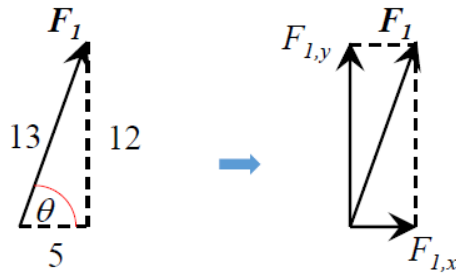
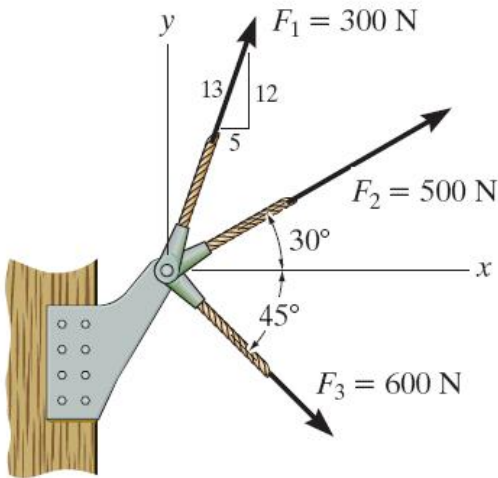
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First we must write F_1 , F_2 and F_3 in cartesian form



$$\cos \theta = \frac{F_{1,x}}{F_1} = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$F_{1,x} = \frac{5}{13} F_1$$

$$\text{Similarly, } F_{1,y} = \frac{12}{13} F_1$$

F_2 and F_3 are a bit easier

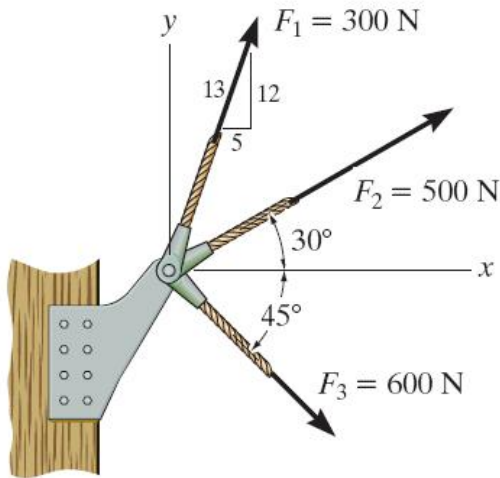
$$F_{2,x} = F_2 \cos 30^\circ$$

$$F_{2,y} = F_2 \sin 30^\circ$$

$$F_{3,x} = F_3 \cos 45^\circ$$

$$F_{3,y} = -F_3 \sin 45^\circ$$

Example



We can now add all the cartesian components following the vector addition rule. This is

$$\mathbf{F}_R = (F_{1,x} + F_{2,x} + F_{3,x})\hat{i} + (F_{1,y} + F_{2,y} + F_{3,y})\hat{j}$$

And substituting for the numerical values we get

$$\mathbf{F}_R = \left(\frac{5}{13}F_1 + F_2 \cos(30^\circ) + F_3 \cos(45^\circ) \right) \hat{i} + \left(\frac{12}{13}F_1 + F_2 \sin(30^\circ) - F_3 \sin(45^\circ) \right) \hat{j}$$

Or in resolved terms $\mathbf{F}_R = [972.7 \hat{i} + 102.7 \hat{j}]N$

We can also calculate the magnitude of this vector $F_R = ((972.7)^2 + (102.7)^2)^{1/2} = 978.1 N$

And finally we can determine the direction of the vector $\alpha = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{972.7}{978.1} \right) = 6.03$

Example

In this case, we have two forces in different planes
As before, we must calculate the resultant

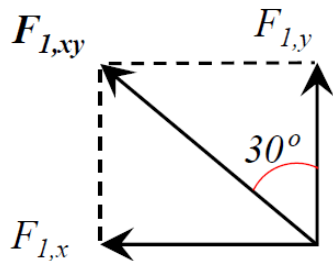
We can begin with F_1 since it has an easy vertical component

$$F_{1,z} = F_1 \sin(45^\circ)$$

The two horizontal components require a bit more work. Let us first find the projection of F_1 in the xy plane

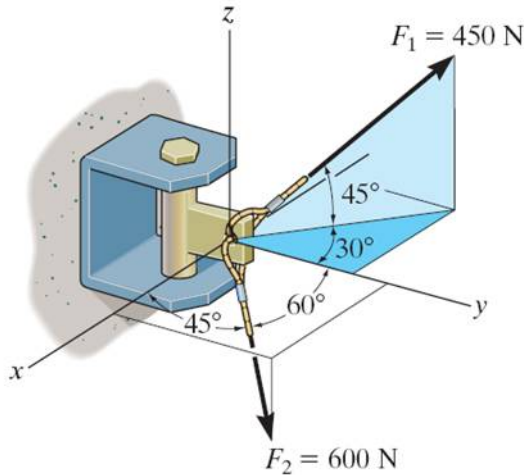
This in-plane projection can be now decomposed into x and y

$$F_{1,xy} = F_1 \cos(45^\circ)$$

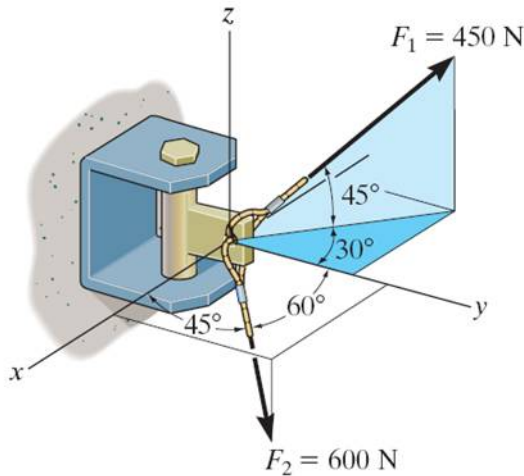


$$F_{1,x} = -F_1 \cos(45^\circ) \sin(30^\circ)$$

$$F_{1,y} = F_1 \cos(45^\circ) \cos(30^\circ)$$



Example



To resolve F_2 we can use the director cosines

$$\cos^2(45^\circ) + \cos^2(60^\circ) + \cos^2 \gamma = 1 \quad \gamma = 120^\circ$$

With all the angles known, we can write the cartesian vector F_2

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = F_2 (\cos(45^\circ) \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \cos(60^\circ) \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \cos(120^\circ) \hat{\mathbf{k}})$$

The total force is $\mathbf{F}_R = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2$

$$\mathbf{F}_R = [F_2 \cos(45^\circ) - F_1 \cos(45^\circ) \sin(30^\circ)] \hat{\mathbf{i}} + [F_2 \cos(60^\circ) + F_1 \cos(45^\circ) \cos(30^\circ)] \hat{\mathbf{j}} + [F_2 \cos(120^\circ) + F_1 \sin(45^\circ)] \hat{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_R = [265.2 \hat{\mathbf{i}} + 575.6 \hat{\mathbf{j}} + 18.2 \hat{\mathbf{k}}] \text{ N}$$

$$F_R = ((265.2)^2 + (575.6)^2 + (18.2)^2)^{1/2} = 634 \text{ N}$$

$$\alpha = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{265.2}{634} \right) = 65.3^\circ$$

$$\beta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{575.6}{634} \right) = 24.8^\circ$$

$$\gamma = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{18.2}{634} \right) = 88.4^\circ$$