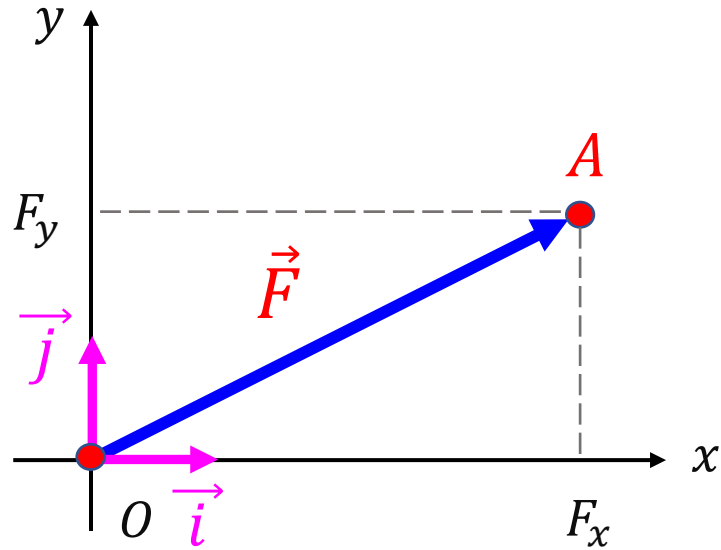


# Announcements

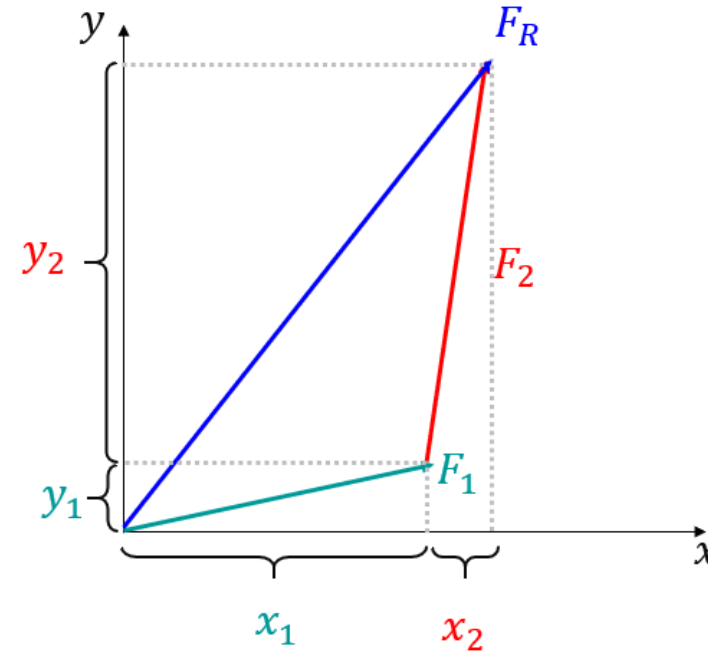
- **Mastering Engineering** (Homework assignments)
  - Registration: **please use your student number as your “student ID”** (will help us to give your Mastering Engineering marks to you, and not to someone else)
  - First assignments (due Sunday, January 21, 10:00 pm):
    - ❖ **Introductory assignment (worth marks!) – already available**
    - ❖ First homework assignment – will be available Friday, 6:00 pm
- **Tutorials** start next week
  - Paper, straightedge, calculator!!!

# Last Time



$$\vec{F} = \vec{i} F_x + \vec{j} F_y$$

- Each vector can be expressed in Cartesian components



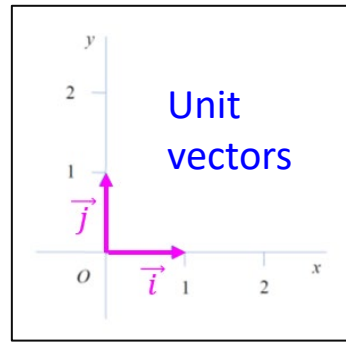
$$F_{R,x} = F_{1,x} + F_{2,x}$$

$$F_{R,y} = F_{1,y} + F_{2,y}$$

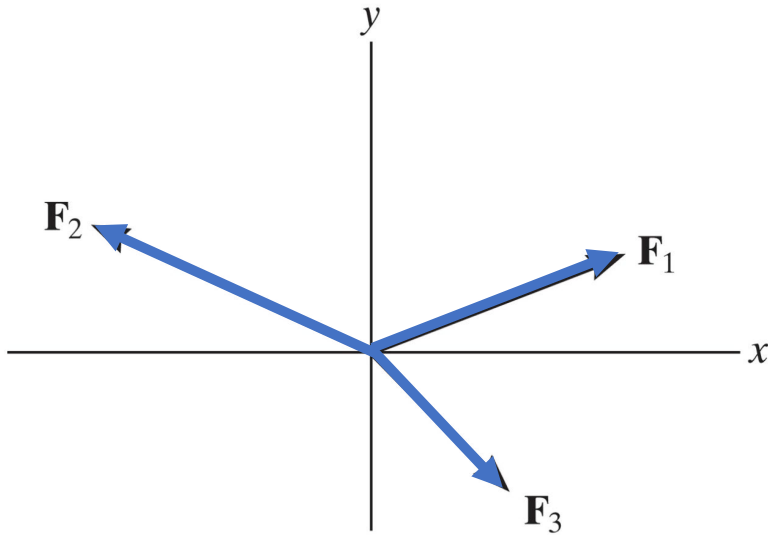
- Cartesian components are a perfect tool for adding vectors

## VECTOR ADDITION: Analytical approach

$$\vec{F} = \vec{i} F_x + \vec{j} F_y$$



- What is so good about Cartesian representation of a vector?
- It gives us a **super simple way** to add up vectors: **vectors add up component-wise**



$$\vec{F}_R = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 =$$

$$= (\vec{i} \underline{F_{1x}} + \vec{j} \underline{F_{1y}}) + (\vec{i} \underline{F_{2x}} + \vec{j} \underline{F_{2y}}) + (\vec{i} \underline{F_{3x}} + \vec{j} \underline{F_{3y}}) =$$

$$= \vec{i} (\underline{F_{1x}} + \underline{F_{2x}} + \underline{F_{3x}}) + \vec{j} (\underline{F_{1y}} + \underline{F_{2y}} + \underline{F_{3y}}) =$$

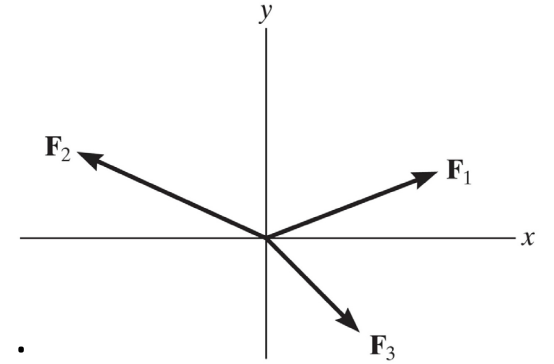
$$= \vec{i} \underline{F_{Rx}} + \vec{j} \underline{F_{Ry}}$$

*positive or negative*

- Q: Explain the recipe of finding the Cartesian components of the resultant vector.  
Now, how can you find its magnitude?

## ADDING UP VECTORS IN CARTESIAN COORDINATES: Summary

- Vectors add up **component-wise !!!**
- To get x-component of the resultant, just add up x-components of all the vectors, etc.:



$$F_{Rx} = \sum_i F_{ix} \quad \text{and} \quad F_{Ry} = \sum_i F_{iy}$$

❖ Cartesian components of the resultant vector

- Knowing  $F_{Rx}$  and  $F_{Ry}$ , you can determine the magnitude and the direction of  $\vec{F}_R$ . For example:

❖ Magnitude of the resultant vector:

$$F_R = \sqrt{F_{Rx}^2 + F_{Ry}^2}$$

❖ Angle from positive-x direction:

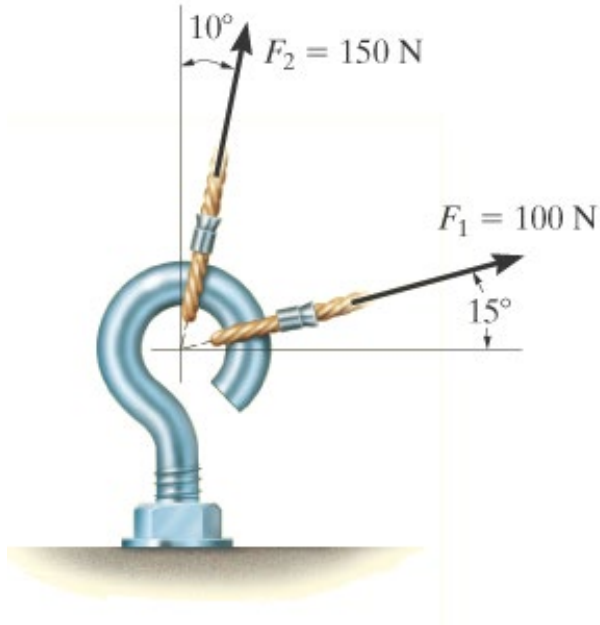
$$\tan \theta_R = \frac{F_{Ry}}{F_{Rx}}$$

(and remember to check whether the answer coming out of your calculator makes sense)

**W1-1b:** The screw eye is subject to two forces,  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $\vec{F}_2$ . Determine the direction and the magnitude of the resultant force. Use vector addition in components.

Textbook:

### Example 2.1

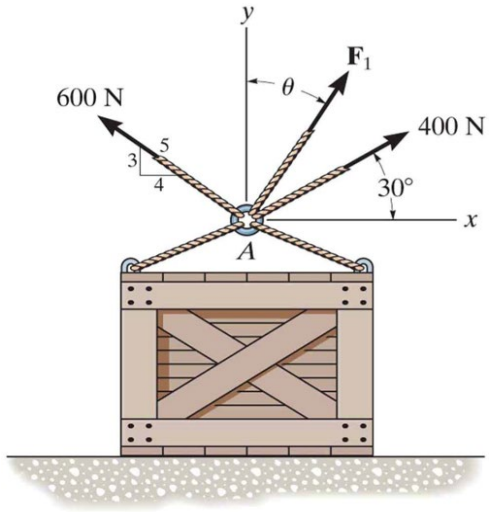


On your own, please

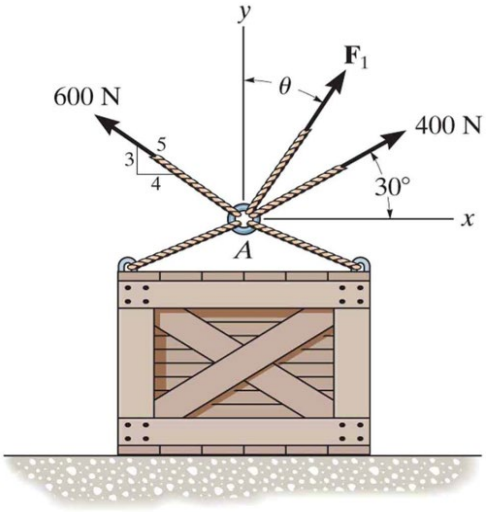
$$F_1 = 100\text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = 150\text{ N}$$

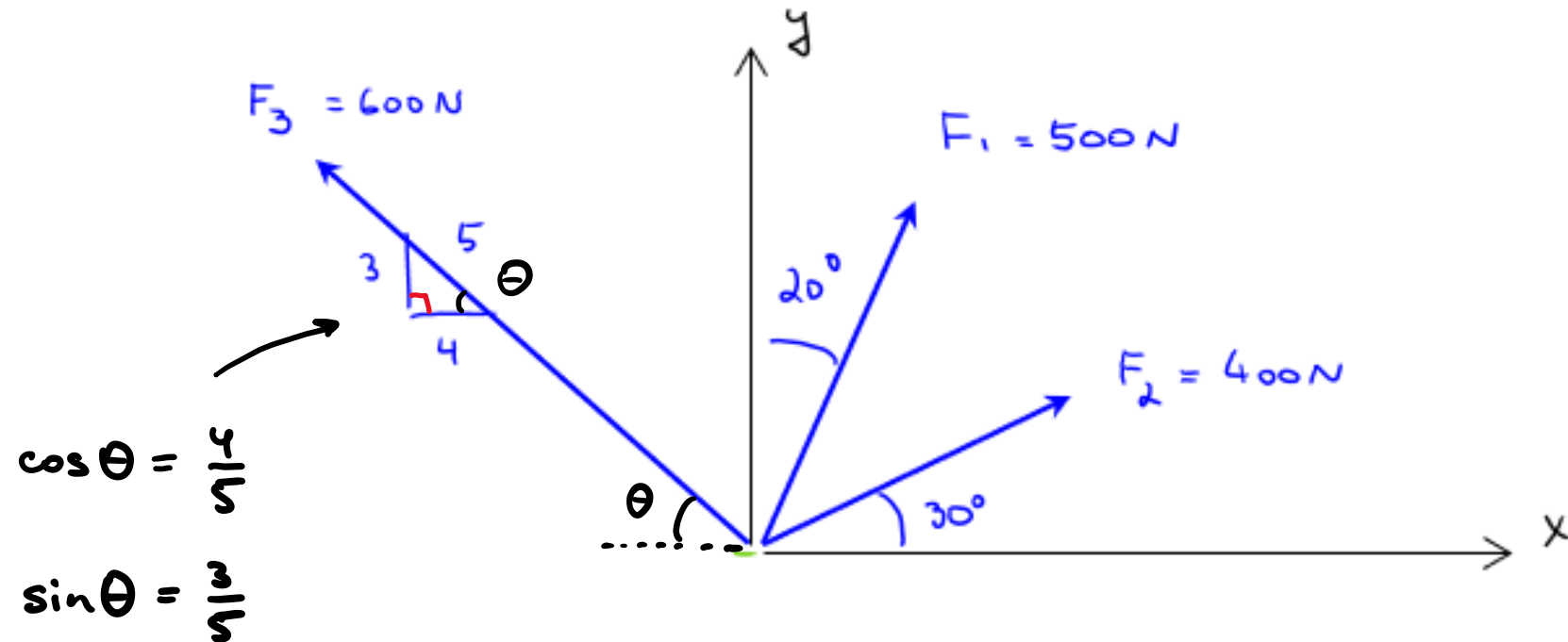
**W1-2:** Determine the magnitude and direction measured counter-clockwise from the positive  $x$ -axis of the resultant force of the three forces acting on the ring  $A$ . Take  $F_1 = 500$  N and  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .



**W1-2:** Determine the magnitude and direction measured counter-clockwise from the positive x-axis of the resultant force of the three forces acting on the ring A. Take  $F_1 = 500$  N and  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .

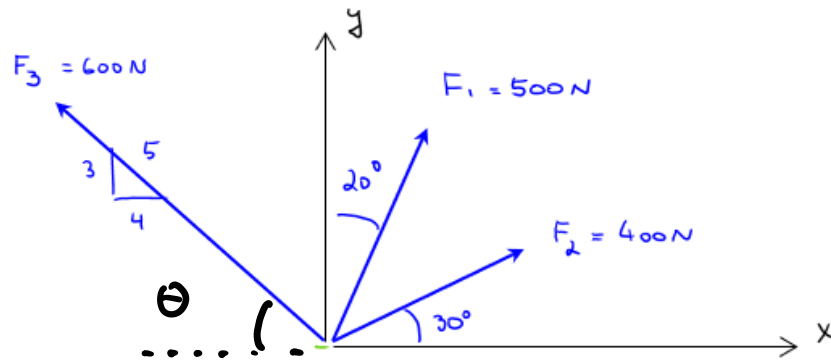


- Draw a picture using a straightedge, not something else!
- Label all givens!
- Think about what you are going to do



**W1-2:** Determine the magnitude and direction measured counter-clockwise from the positive x-axis of the resultant force of the three forces acting on the ring A. Take  $F_1 = 500 \text{ N}$  and  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .

- Finding the resultant (vector):



$$F_{3x} = -F_3 \cos \theta$$

$$F_{3y} = +F_3 \sin \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{F}_1 &= \left( 500 \sin 20^\circ \right) \vec{i} + \left( 500 \cos 20^\circ \right) \vec{j} \\ \vec{F}_2 &= \left( 400 \cos 30^\circ \right) \vec{i} + \left( 400 \sin 30^\circ \right) \vec{j} \\ \vec{F}_3 &= \left( -600 \cdot \frac{4}{5} \right) \vec{i} + \left( 600 \cdot \frac{3}{5} \right) \vec{j}\end{aligned}$$


---


$$\vec{F}_R = \left( \dots \right) \vec{i} + \left( \dots \right) \vec{j}$$

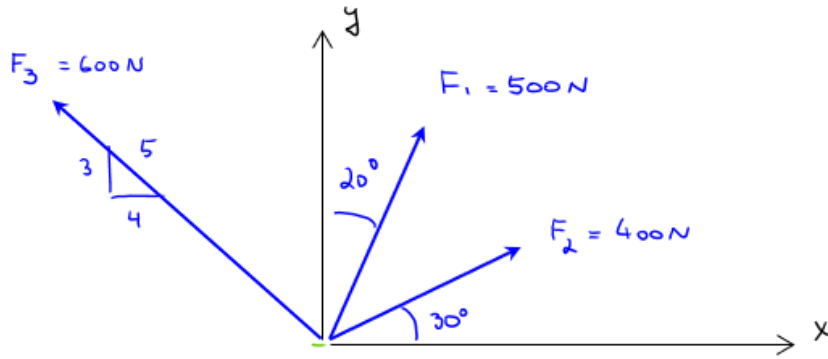
$F_{Rx}$   $F_{Ry}$

$$\vec{F}_R = \left( 500 \sin 20^\circ + 400 \cos 30^\circ - 600 \frac{4}{5} \right) \vec{i} + \left( 500 \cos 20^\circ + 400 \sin 30^\circ + 600 \frac{3}{5} \right) \vec{j}$$



**W1-2:** Determine the magnitude and direction measured counter-clockwise from the positive x-axis of the resultant force of the three forces acting on the ring A. Take  $F_1 = 500 \text{ N}$  and  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .

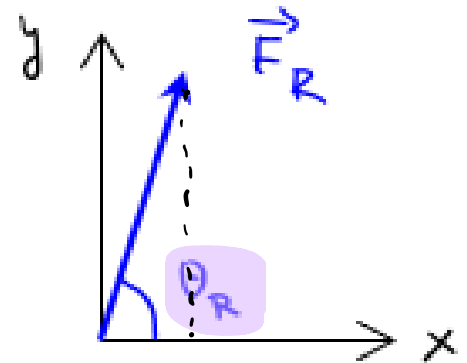
- Finding the resultant's magnitude and direction:



$$\vec{F}_R = \underbrace{37.42}_{F_{Rx}} \vec{i} + \underbrace{1030}_{F_{Ry}} \vec{j}$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{F_{Rx}^2 + F_{Ry}^2} =$$

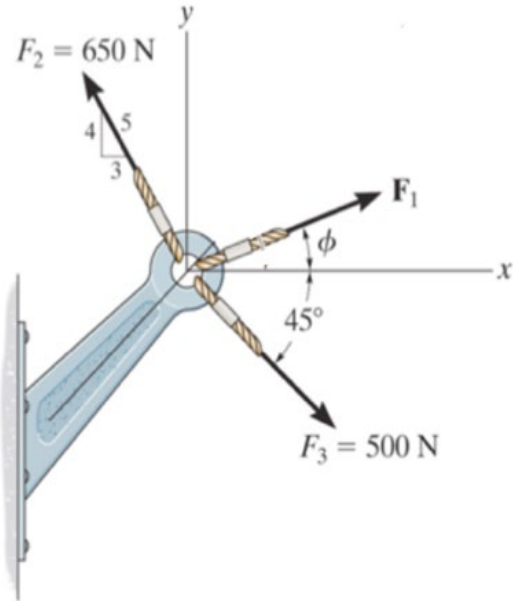
$$= 1031 \text{ N} = 1031 \text{ N} \rightarrow \boxed{F_R = 1.03 \text{ kN}}$$



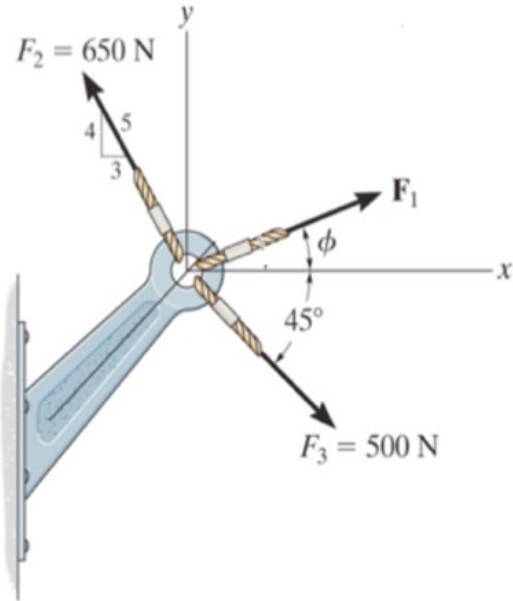
$$\tan \theta_R = \frac{F_{Ry}}{F_{Rx}} = \frac{1030}{37.42}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\theta_R = 87.9^\circ}$$

**W1-3:** The magnitude of the resultant force acting on the bracket is 400 N. Determine the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$ . Take  $\phi = 30^\circ$ .



**W1-3:** The magnitude of the resultant force acting on the bracket is 400 N. Determine the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$ . Take  $\phi = 30^\circ$ .

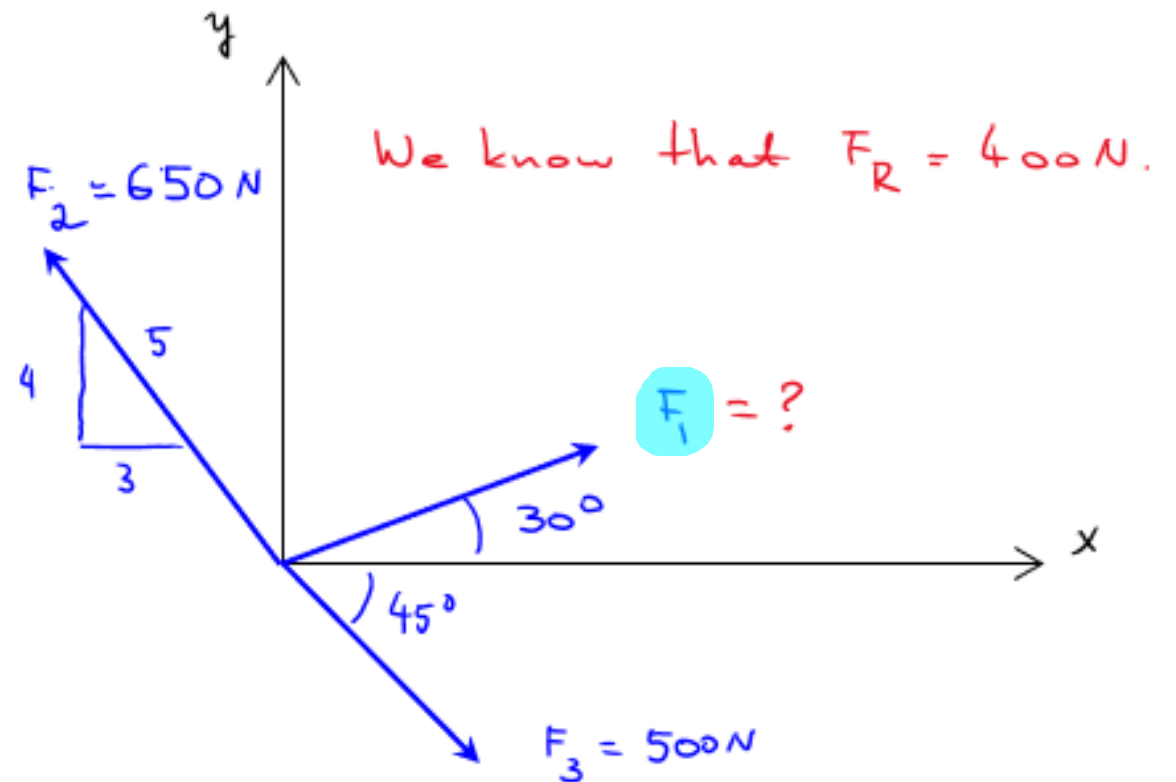


- Draw a picture using a straightedge, not something else!
- Label all givens!
- Think about what you are going to do

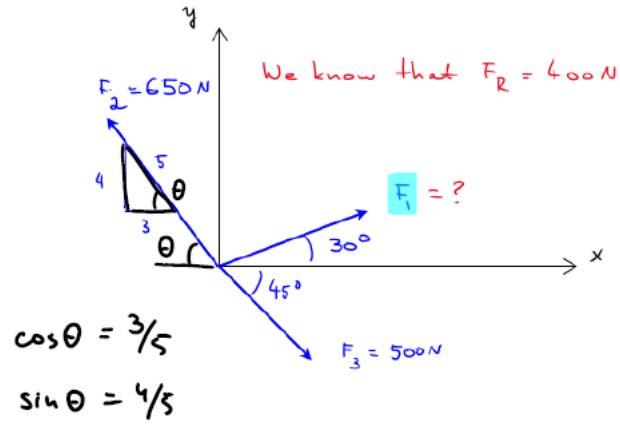
- $F_R = 400 \text{ N}$

- $\vec{F}_R = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3$

$$F_{Rx}^2 + F_{Ry}^2 = 400^2$$



- Finding the resultant (vector):



$$\vec{F}_1 = (F_1 \cos 30^\circ) \vec{i} + (F_1 \sin 30^\circ) \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = \left(-650 \frac{3}{5}\right) \vec{i} + \left(650 \frac{4}{5}\right) \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_3 = (500 \cdot \cos 45^\circ) \vec{i} + (-500 \sin 45^\circ) \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_R = (\vec{F}_{Rx}) \vec{i} + (\vec{F}_{Ry}) \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{F}_R = \left(F_1 \cos 30^\circ - 650 \frac{3}{5} + 500 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \vec{i} + \left(F_1 \sin 30^\circ + 650 \frac{4}{5} - 500 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \vec{j}$$

$$(a \pm b)^2 = a^2 \pm 2ab + b^2$$

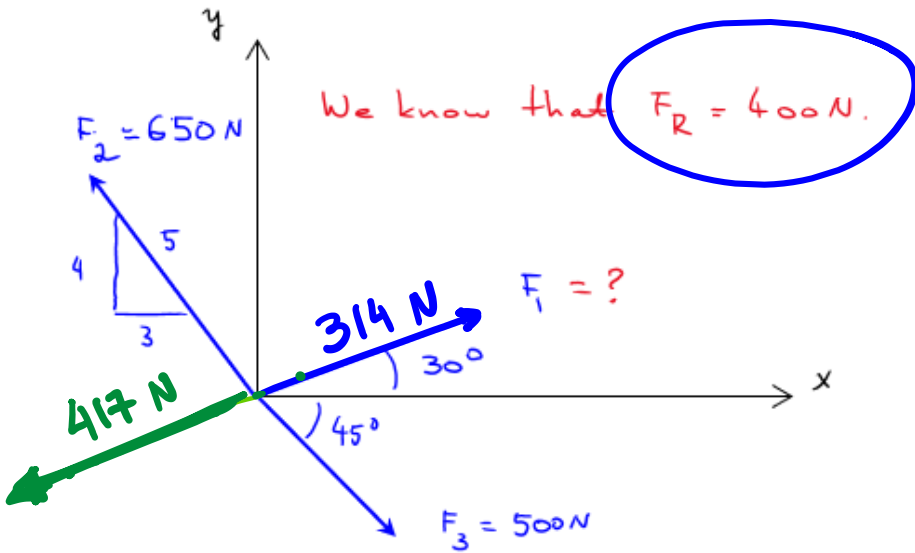
• Finding  $F_1$ :

$$\vec{F}_R = \left( F_1 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 36.45 \right) \vec{i} + \left( F_1 \frac{1}{2} + 166.4 \right) \vec{j}$$

$$400^2 = \left( F_1 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - 36.45 \right)^2 + \left( F_1 \frac{1}{2} + 166.4 \right)^2$$

$$F_1^2 + 103.27 F_1 - 130966.4 = 0$$

$$F_1 = \begin{matrix} \rightarrow 314 \text{ N} & \text{A.} \\ \rightarrow -417 \text{ N} & \text{B.} \end{matrix} \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} \rightarrow 314 \text{ N} \\ \rightarrow -417 \text{ N} \end{matrix}} \right\} \text{C.}$$



## REMARKS

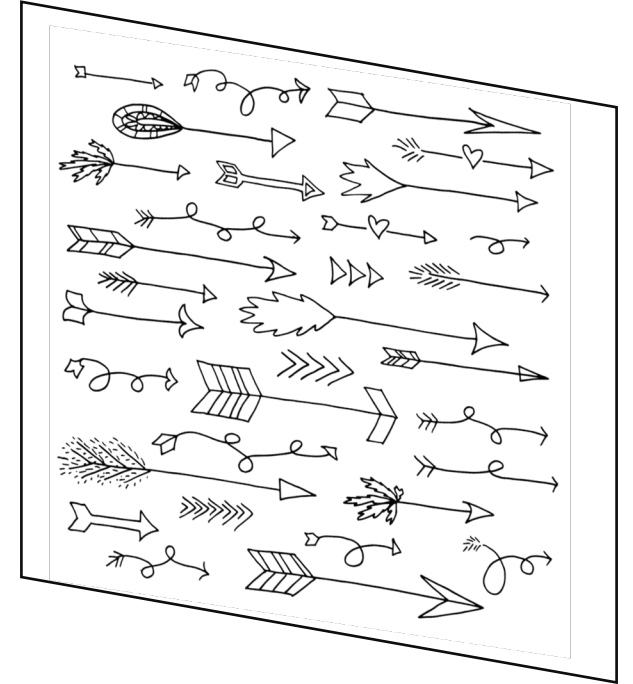
- Things to be careful about when adding up vectors in Cartesian components:
  - Sin or Cos? Depends on how the angles are defined.
  - **Sign of the projection!**
  - Always draw a sketch, to understand where the vector is pointing => what should be the signs of its components. Don't trust your calculator blindly!
- Mathematical & general stuff:
  - We will solve non-trivial multi-step problems. Try to make a plan, think about your strategy, get ready to go over the cycle "plan => try => reflect => adjust your plane => try => ..."
  - **Number of equations should always be equal to the number of unknowns** => then you can find all your unknowns. Checking the number of equations and the number of unknowns may help you to understand whether you are on a right track.
  - Practice will help.

# Force Vectors in 3D: Intro

Text: 2.5-2.6

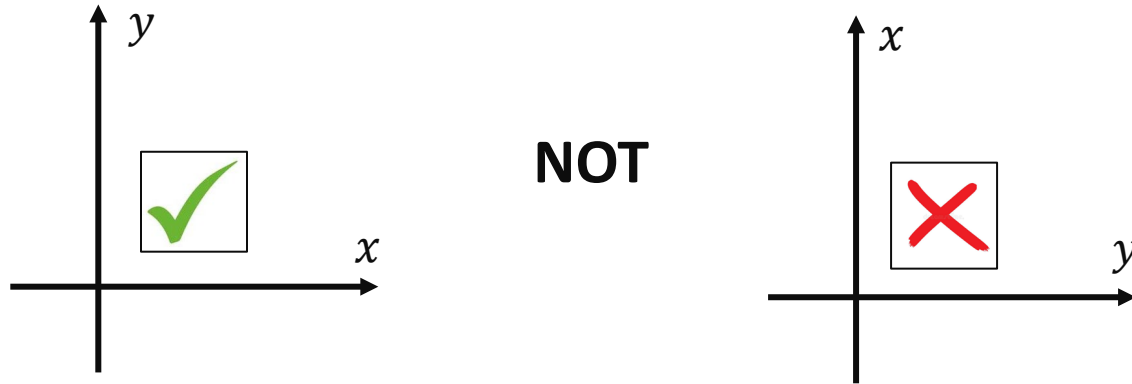
Content:

- Right-handed coordinate systems
- Description of Vectors in 3D:
  - Cartesian coordinates: Unit vectors, Projections of a vector
  - Representation through direction cosines
  - Conversion between these two descriptions
- Adding force vectors in 3D
- Practice (W2-1 – W2-3)

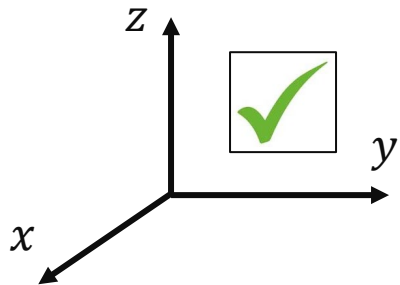


# RIGHT-HANDED COORDINATE SYSTEMS

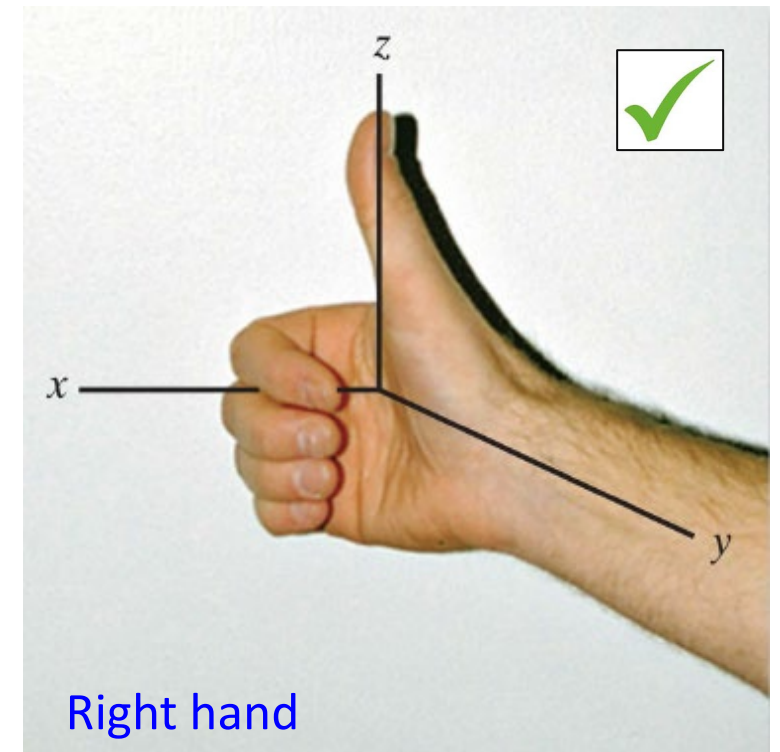
- Even if it goes unnoticed, we always draw a 2D coordinate system in a specific way:



- Same applies for a 3D (“right-handed” coordinate system):



- You can rotate this object as you please, but you cannot interchange, e.g.,  $x$  and  $y$  axes

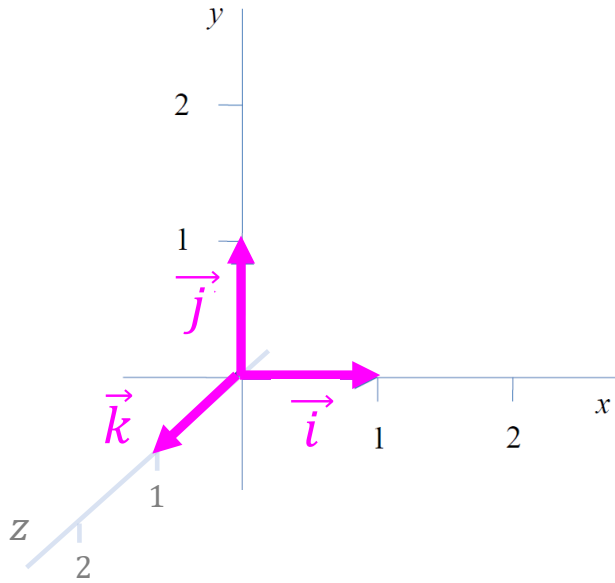




# VECTORS IN A CARTESIAN COORDINATE SYSTEM: Three Dimensions (3D)



- **Cartesian coordinate system in 3D:**



- Perpendicular axes: x, y and z (right-hand rule)
- **Unit vectors** (= “orts”, = “basis vectors”):
  - $\vec{i}$  -- vector of length 1 in the positive direction of x-axis
  - $\vec{j}$  -- vector of length 1 in the positive direction of y-axis
  - $\vec{k}$  -- vector of length 1 in the positive direction of z-axis

- Why they are called “unit vectors”:

$$i = |\vec{i}| = j = |\vec{j}| = k = |\vec{k}| = 1$$

## VECTORS IN A CARTESIAN COORDINATE SYSTEM: Three Dimensions (3D)

- **Vector  $\vec{A}$  in Cartesian coordinates in 3D:**

- Any vector  $\vec{A}$  in 3D can be uniquely resolved into three components along  $x, y$  and  $z$ :

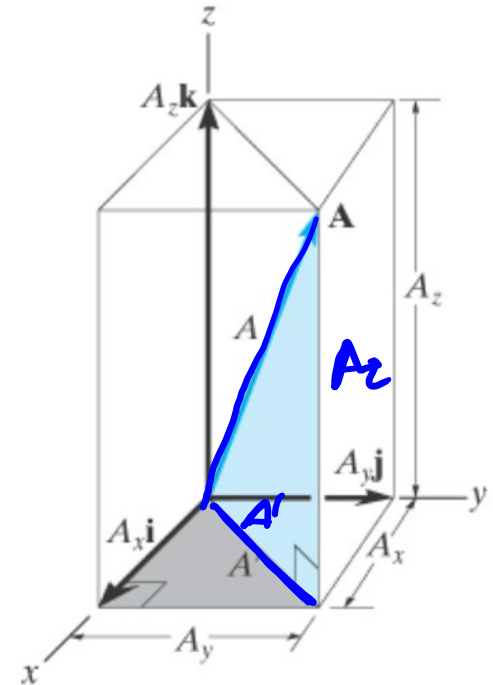
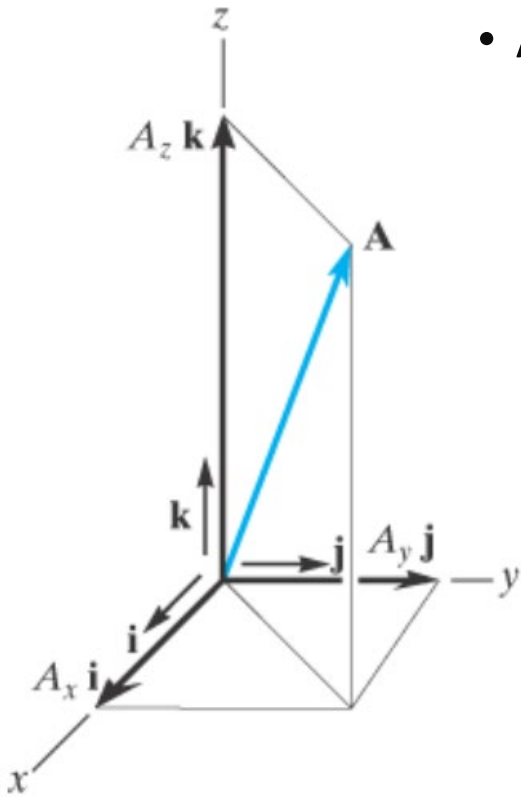
$$\vec{A} = \vec{i} A_x + \vec{j} A_y + \vec{k} A_z$$

$$A^2 = A_z^2 + (A')^2 \quad (\text{blue})$$

$$(A')^2 = A_x^2 + A_y^2 \quad (\text{grey})$$

- The magnitude of a 3D vector:

$$A = |\vec{A}| = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2}$$



- Everything we discussed in 2D (positive / negative components, component-wise vector addition, etc.) applies also in 3D

## DIRECTION ANGLES: Three Dimensions (3D)

- **Another description:**

- Let us define the angles between the vector  $\vec{A}$  and the **positive** directions of x,y,z-axes:

$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$

$$A_x = A \cos \alpha$$

$$A_y = A \cos \beta$$

$$A_z = A \cos \gamma$$

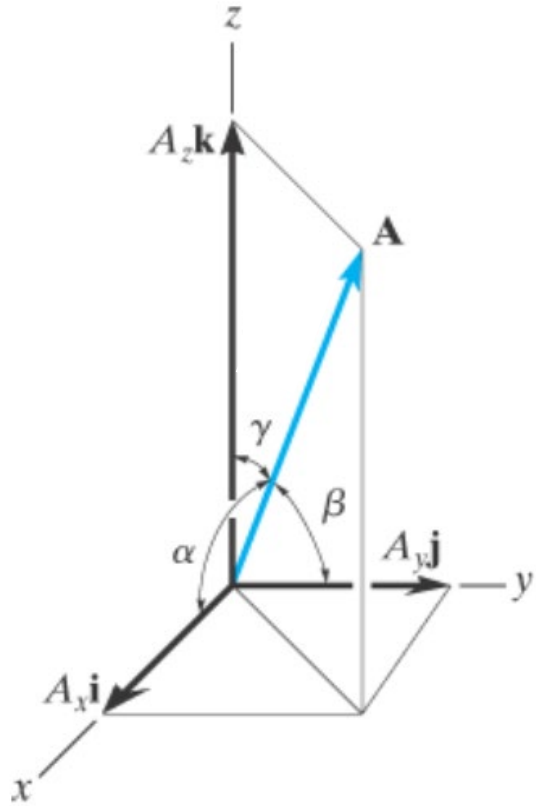
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{A_x}{A}$$

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

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

- Writing a vector in terms of these **direction cosines**:

$$\vec{A} = \vec{i} A_x + \vec{j} A_y + \vec{k} A_z = \vec{i} A \cos \alpha + \vec{j} A \cos \beta + \vec{k} A \cos \gamma$$



## UNIT VECTOR IN THE DIRECTION OF $\vec{A}$ : Three Dimensions (3D)

- Hence, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A} &= \vec{i} A_x + \vec{j} A_y + \vec{k} A_z = \vec{i} A \cos \alpha + \vec{j} A \cos \beta + \vec{k} A \cos \gamma = \\ &= A \left( \underbrace{\vec{i} \cos \alpha + \vec{j} \cos \beta + \vec{k} \cos \gamma}_{\vec{u}_A} \right) = \overset{\text{Magnitude}}{A} \overset{\text{Direction}}{\vec{u}_A}\end{aligned}$$

unit vector (length 1) in the direction of  $\vec{A}$ .

- Hence, for any vector  $\vec{A}$  with known direction angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  we can define a unit vector  $\vec{u}_A$ , that carries the information about its direction, as follows:

$$\vec{u}_A = \vec{i} \cos \alpha + \vec{j} \cos \beta + \vec{k} \cos \gamma = \vec{i} \frac{A_x}{A} + \vec{j} \frac{A_y}{A} + \vec{k} \frac{A_z}{A}$$

- Since  $\vec{u}_A$  is a unit vector, we have:

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

