

1. Three forces acting on rod shown in Figure 1. Determine the resultant moment create about the flange O and determine the coordinate direction of moment axis.

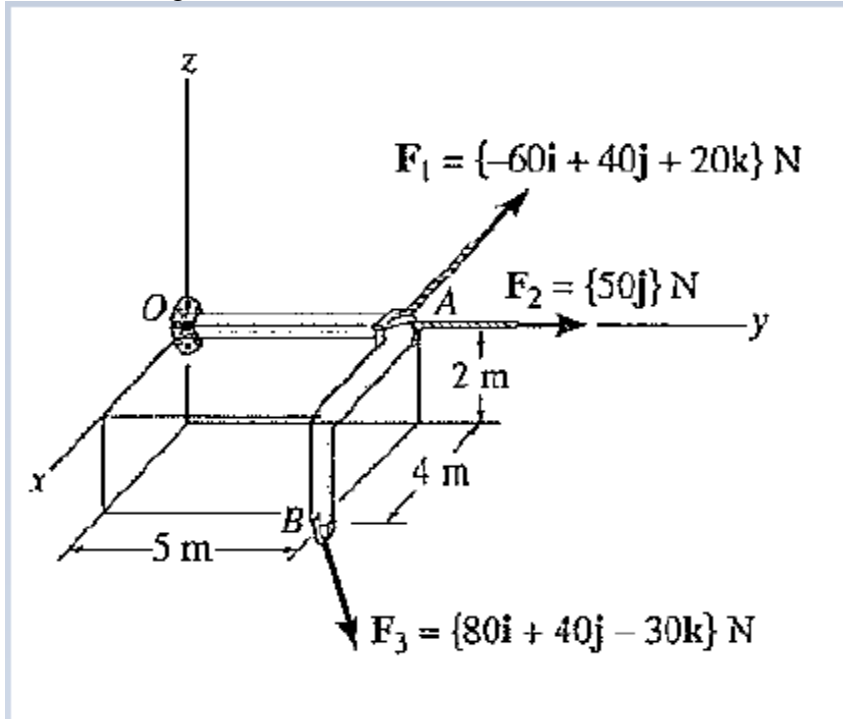


Figure 1

**Solution:**

Three forces act on the rod shown in Fig. 4-17a. Determine the resultant moment they create about the flange at  $O$  and determine the coordinate direction angles of the moment axis.

**Solution**

Position vectors are directed from point  $O$  to each force as shown in Fig. 4-17b. These vectors are

$$\mathbf{r}_A = \{5\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_B = \{4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

The resultant moment about  $O$  is therefore

$$\mathbf{M}_{R_O} = \Sigma(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F})$$

$$= \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F}_2 + \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{F}_3$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ -60 & 40 & 20 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 50 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 4 & 5 & -2 \\ 80 & 40 & -30 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [5(20) - 40(0)]\mathbf{i} - [0\mathbf{j}] + [0(40) - (-60)(5)]\mathbf{k} + [0\mathbf{i} - 0\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k}]$$

$$+ [5(-30) - (40)(-2)]\mathbf{i} - [4(-30) - 80(-2)]\mathbf{j} + [4(40) - 80(5)]\mathbf{k}$$

$$= \{30\mathbf{i} - 40\mathbf{j} + 60\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

Ans.

The moment axis is directed along the line of action of  $\mathbf{M}_{R_O}$ . Since the magnitude of this moment is

$$M_{R_O} = \sqrt{(30)^2 + (-40)^2 + (60)^2} = 78.10 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

the unit vector which defines the direction of the moment axis is

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{M}_{R_O}}{M_{R_O}} = \frac{30\mathbf{i} - 40\mathbf{j} + 60\mathbf{k}}{78.10} = 0.3841\mathbf{i} - 0.5121\mathbf{j} + 0.7682\mathbf{k}$$

Therefore, the coordinate direction angles of the moment axis are

$$\cos \alpha = 0.3841; \quad \alpha = 67.4^\circ \quad \text{Ans.}$$

$$\cos \beta = -0.5121; \quad \beta = 121^\circ \quad \text{Ans.}$$

$$\cos \gamma = 0.7682; \quad \gamma = 39.8^\circ \quad \text{Ans.}$$

These results are shown in Fig. 4-17c. Realize that the three forces tend to cause the rod to rotate about this axis in the manner shown by the curl indicated on the moment vector.

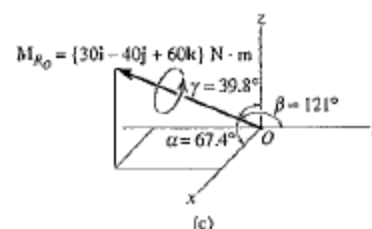
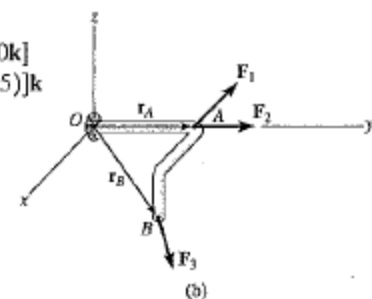
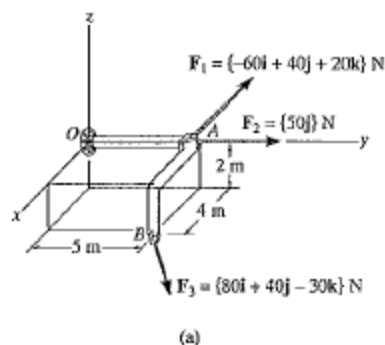


Fig. 4-17

2. The structural member is subjected to a couple moment  $\mathbf{M}$  and forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  in Fig. 2. Replace this system by an equivalent resultant force and couple moment acting at its base, point  $O$ .

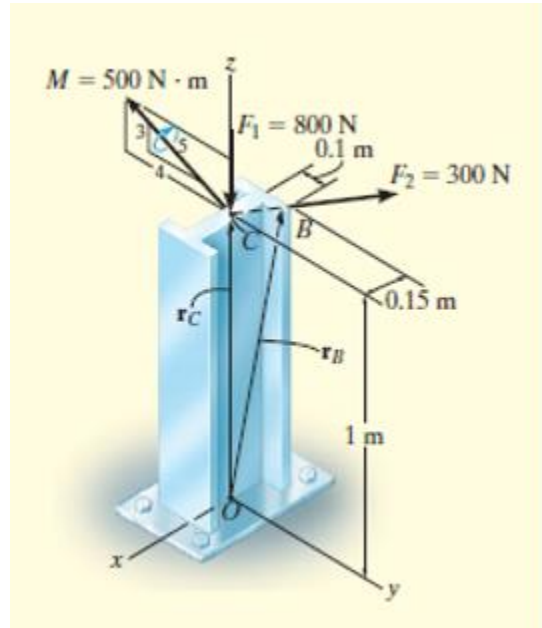


Figure 2

## EXAMPLE 4.16

The structural member is subjected to a couple moment  $\mathbf{M}$  and forces  $\mathbf{F}_1$  and  $\mathbf{F}_2$  in Fig. 4–39a. Replace this system by an equivalent resultant force and couple moment acting at its base, point  $O$ .

### SOLUTION (VECTOR ANALYSIS)

The three-dimensional aspects of the problem can be simplified by using a Cartesian vector analysis. Expressing the forces and couple moment as Cartesian vectors, we have

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = \{-800\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = (300 \text{ N})\mathbf{u}_{CB}$$

$$= (300 \text{ N})\left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{CB}}{r_{CB}}\right)$$

$$= 300 \text{ N} \left[ \frac{\{-0.15\mathbf{i} + 0.1\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m}}{\sqrt{(-0.15 \text{ m})^2 + (0.1 \text{ m})^2}} \right] = \{-249.6\mathbf{i} + 166.4\mathbf{j}\} \text{ N}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = -500\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\mathbf{j} + 500\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\mathbf{k} = \{-400\mathbf{j} + 300\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

### Force Summation.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_R = \Sigma \mathbf{F}; \quad \mathbf{F}_R = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 &= -800\mathbf{k} - 249.6\mathbf{i} + 166.4\mathbf{j} \\ &= \{-250\mathbf{i} + 166\mathbf{j} - 800\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

*Ans.*

### Moment Summation.

$$\mathbf{M}_{R_O} = \Sigma \mathbf{M} + \Sigma \mathbf{M}_O$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{R_O} = \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{r}_C \times \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{F}_2$$

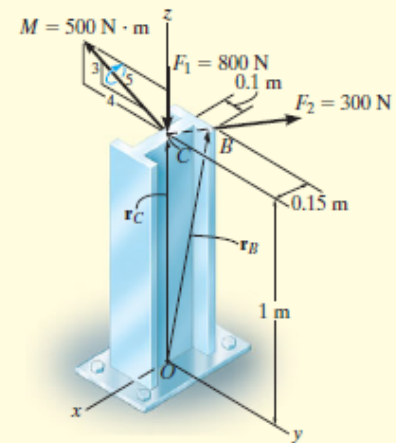
$$\mathbf{M}_{R_O} = (-400\mathbf{j} + 300\mathbf{k}) + (1\mathbf{k}) \times (-800\mathbf{k}) + \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -0.15 & 0.1 & 1 \\ -249.6 & 166.4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-400\mathbf{j} + 300\mathbf{k}) + (\mathbf{0}) + (-166.4\mathbf{i} - 249.6\mathbf{j})$$

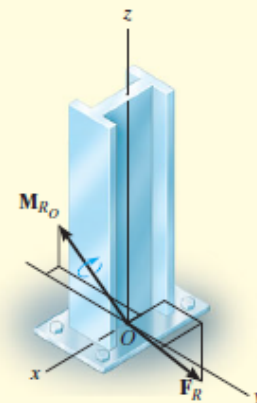
$$= \{-166\mathbf{i} - 650\mathbf{j} + 300\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

*Ans.*

The results are shown in Fig. 4–39b.



(a)



(b)

Fig. 4–39

3. Determine the moment produced by the force  $\mathbf{F}$  in Fig. 3 about point  $O$ . Express the result as a Cartesian vector.

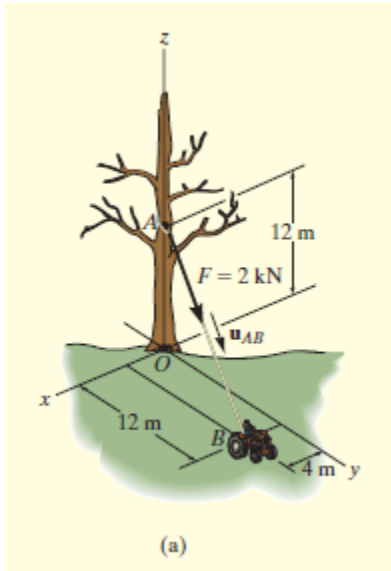
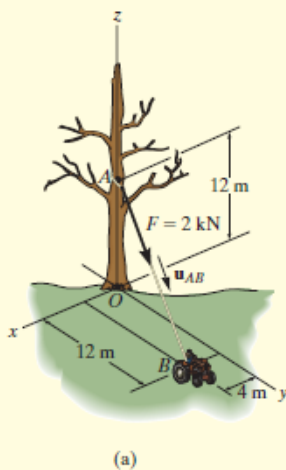
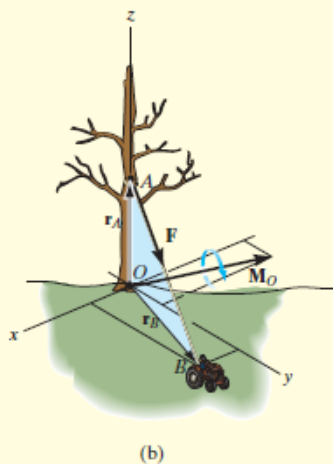


Figure 3

### EXAMPLE 4.3



(a)



(b)

Fig. 4-14

Determine the moment produced by the force  $\mathbf{F}$  in Fig. 4-14a about point  $O$ . Express the result as a Cartesian vector.

#### SOLUTION

As shown in Fig. 4-14a, either  $\mathbf{r}_A$  or  $\mathbf{r}_B$  can be used to determine the moment about point  $O$ . These position vectors are

$$\mathbf{r}_A = \{12\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r}_B = \{4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}\} \text{ m}$$

Force  $\mathbf{F}$  expressed as a Cartesian vector is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F} &= F\mathbf{u}_{AB} = 2 \text{ kN} \left[ \frac{\{4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j} - 12\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}}{\sqrt{(4 \text{ m})^2 + (12 \text{ m})^2 + (-12 \text{ m})^2}} \right] \\ &= \{0.4588\mathbf{i} + 1.376\mathbf{j} - 1.376\mathbf{k}\} \text{ kN} \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 0 & 12 \\ 0.4588 & 1.376 & -1.376 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= [0(-1.376) - 12(1.376)]\mathbf{i} - [0(-1.376) - 12(0.4588)]\mathbf{j} \\ &\quad + [0(1.376) - 0(0.4588)]\mathbf{k} \\ &= \{-16.5\mathbf{i} + 5.51\mathbf{j}\} \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_O &= \mathbf{r}_B \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 4 & 12 & 0 \\ 0.4588 & 1.376 & -1.376 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= [12(-1.376) - 0(1.376)]\mathbf{i} - [4(-1.376) - 0(0.4588)]\mathbf{j} \\ &\quad + [4(1.376) - 12(0.4588)]\mathbf{k} \\ &= \{-16.5\mathbf{i} + 5.51\mathbf{j}\} \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m} \end{aligned} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**NOTE:** As shown in Fig. 4-14b,  $\mathbf{M}_O$  acts perpendicular to the plane that contains  $\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_A$ , and  $\mathbf{r}_B$ . Had this problem been worked using  $M_O = Fd$ , notice the difficulty that would arise in obtaining the moment arm  $d$ .

4. What is the moment about A of the 500 N force and the 3000 N-m couple acting on the cantilever beam as shown in Fig. 4?

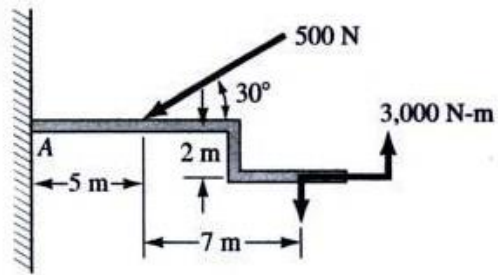


Figure 4

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$$\vec{M}_A = 5\hat{i} \times 500(-\cos 30^\circ \hat{i} - \sin 30^\circ \hat{j}) + 3000\hat{k}$$

$$= -1250\hat{k} + 3000\hat{k}$$

$$= 1750\hat{k} \text{ N-m}$$

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The hand-drawn diagram shows the cantilever beam with a coordinate system. The x-axis is horizontal, the z-axis is vertical, and the y-axis is out of the page. The beam segments are labeled with dimensions: 5 m horizontal, 2 m vertical, and 7 m horizontal. The 500 N force is shown at an angle of 30 degrees to the horizontal. The 3000 N-m couple is shown at the end of the vertical segment.

