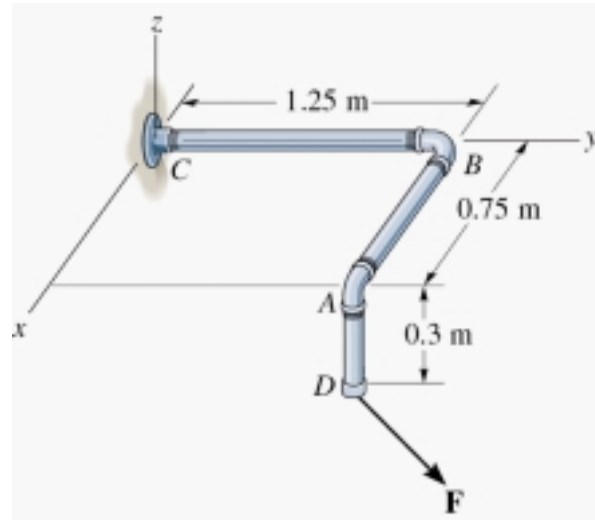


## Moment 2

### Problem 1:

Determine the moment created by the force  $\mathbf{F} = \{50\mathbf{i} + 100\mathbf{j} - 50\mathbf{k}\}$  N acting at D, about each of the joints at B and C.



Solution:

$$B(0, 1.25, 0); \quad C(0, 0, 0); \quad D(0.75, 1.25, -0.3)$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{50\mathbf{i} + 100\mathbf{j} - 50\mathbf{k}\} \text{N}$$

Position vector :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_{BD} &= \{(0.75 - 0)\mathbf{i} + (1.25 - 1.25)\mathbf{j} + (-0.3 - 0)\mathbf{k}\} \text{m} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}_{BD} &= \{0.75\mathbf{i} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\} \text{m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_{CD} &= \{(0.75 - 0)\mathbf{i} + (1.25 - 0)\mathbf{j} + (-0.3 - 0)\mathbf{k}\} \text{m} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}_{CD} &= \{0.75\mathbf{i} + 1.25\mathbf{j} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\} \text{m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{50\mathbf{i} + 100\mathbf{j} - 50\mathbf{k}\}\text{N}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{BD}} = \{0.75\mathbf{i} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\}\text{m}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{CD}} = \{0.75\mathbf{i} + 1.25\mathbf{j} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\}\text{m}$$

Moment of force  $\mathbf{F}$  about point B is :

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{B}} = \mathbf{r}_{\text{BD}} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{B}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.75 & 0 & -0.3 \\ 50 & 100 & -50 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{B}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [(0)(-50) - (-0.3)(100)]\mathbf{i} - [(0.75)(-50) - (-0.3)(50)]\mathbf{j} \\ + [(0.75)(100) - (0)(50)]\mathbf{k} \end{array} \right\} \text{N.m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{B}} = \{30\mathbf{i} + 22.5\mathbf{j} + 75\mathbf{k}\}\text{N.m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{50\mathbf{i} + 100\mathbf{j} - 50\mathbf{k}\}\text{N}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{BD}} = \{0.75\mathbf{i} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\}\text{m}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{\text{CD}} = \{0.75\mathbf{i} + 1.25\mathbf{j} - 0.3\mathbf{k}\}\text{m}$$

Moment of force  $\mathbf{F}$  about point C is :

$$\mathbf{M}_{\text{C}} = \mathbf{r}_{\text{CD}} \times \mathbf{F}$$

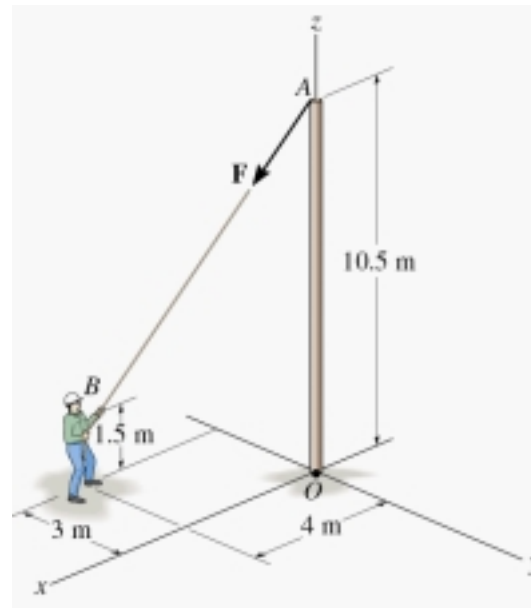
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{C}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.75 & 1.25 & -0.3 \\ 50 & 100 & -50 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{C}} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [(1.25)(-50) - (-0.3)(100)]\mathbf{i} - [(0.75)(-50) - (-0.3)(50)]\mathbf{j} \\ + [(0.75)(100) - (1.25)(50)]\mathbf{k} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_{\text{C}} = \{-32.5\mathbf{i} + 22.5\mathbf{j} + 12.5\mathbf{k}\}\text{N.m}$$

### Problem 2:

Determine Smallest force  $F$  that must be applied to the rope, when held in the direction shown, in order to cause the pole to break at its base  $O$ . This requires a moment of  $M = 900 \text{ N.m}$  to be developed at  $O$ .



Solution:

$$A(0,0,10.5); \quad B(4,-3,1.5)$$

$$M = 900 \text{ N.m}$$

Position vector :

$$\mathbf{r}_{AB} = \{4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k}\} \text{m}$$

$$r_{AB} = \sqrt{4^2 + (-3)^2 + (-9)^2} = 10.30 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = F \frac{\mathbf{r}_{AB}}{r_{AB}} = F \frac{\{4\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j} - 9\mathbf{k}\} \text{m}}{10.30 \text{ m}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = F \{0.39\mathbf{i} - 0.29\mathbf{j} - 0.87\mathbf{k}\} \text{m}$$

$$A(0,0,10.5); \quad B(4,-3,1.5)$$

$$M = 900 \text{ N.m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = F \{0.39\mathbf{i} - 0.29\mathbf{j} - 0.87\mathbf{k}\} \text{m}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r}_{OA} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_O = F \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 0 & 10.5 \\ 0.39 & -0.29 & -0.87 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_O = F \begin{Bmatrix} [(0)(-0.87) - (10.5)(-0.29)]\mathbf{i} \\ -[(0)(-0.87) - (10.5)(0.39)]\mathbf{j} \\ +[(0)(-0.29) - (0)(0.39)]\mathbf{k} \end{Bmatrix} \text{N.m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_O = F \{3.045\mathbf{i} + 4.095\mathbf{j}\} \text{N.m}$$

$$M = 900 \text{ N.m}$$

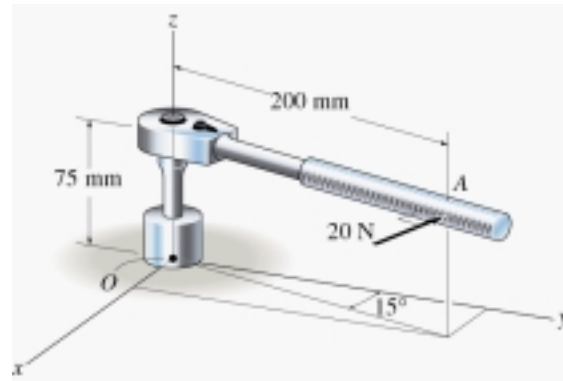
$$\mathbf{M}_O = F\{3.045\mathbf{i} + 4.095\mathbf{j}\} \text{ N.m}$$

$$\Rightarrow F = \frac{\mathbf{M}_O}{\sqrt{(3.045)^2 + (4.095)^2}} = \frac{900}{5.10}$$

$$\Rightarrow F = 176.5 \text{ N}$$

### Problem 3:

A 20-N horizontal force is applied perpendicular to the handle of the socket wrench. Determine the magnitude and direction of the moment created by this force about point O.



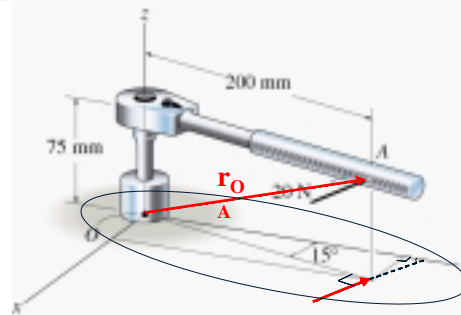
Solution:

$$\mathbf{r}_{OA} = \{0.2\sin 15^\circ \mathbf{i} + 0.2\cos 15^\circ \mathbf{j} + 0.075\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

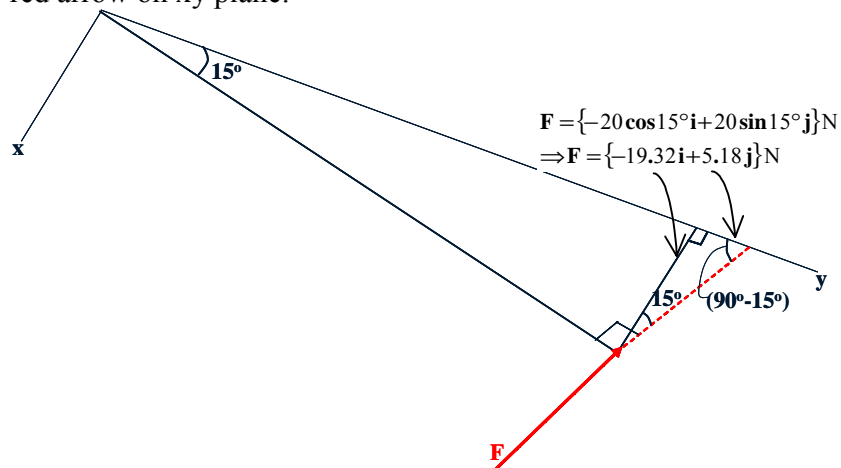
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{r}_{OA} = \{0.0518\mathbf{i} + 0.1932\mathbf{j} + 0.075\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{-20\cos 15^\circ \mathbf{i} + 20\sin 15^\circ \mathbf{j}\} \text{ N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \{-19.32\mathbf{i} + 5.18\mathbf{j}\} \text{ N}$$



Look at the red arrow on xy plane:



$$\mathbf{r}_{oA} = \{0.0518\mathbf{i} + 0.1932\mathbf{j} + 0.075\mathbf{k}\}\text{m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{-19.32\mathbf{i} + 5.18\mathbf{j}\}\text{N}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_o = \mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.0518 & 0.1932 & 0.075 \\ -19.32 & 5.18 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = \left. \begin{aligned} & [(0.1932)(0) - (0.075)(5.18)]\mathbf{i} \\ & - [(0.0518)(0) - (0.075)(-19.32)]\mathbf{j} \\ & + [(0.0518)(5.18) - (0.1932)(-19.32)]\mathbf{k} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{N.m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = \{-0.39\mathbf{i} - 1.45\mathbf{j} + 4.00\mathbf{k}\}\text{N.m}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_o = \{-0.39\mathbf{i} - 1.45\mathbf{j} + 4.00\mathbf{k}\}\text{N.m}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_o = \sqrt{(-0.39)^2 + (-1.45)^2 + (4.00)^2} = 4.27 \text{ N.m}$$

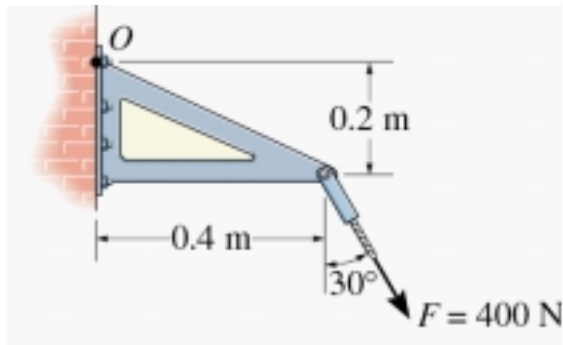
$$\alpha = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-0.39}{4.27}\right) = 95.2^\circ$$

$$\beta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1.45}{4.27}\right) = 109.9^\circ$$

$$\gamma = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4.00}{4.27}\right) = 20.5^\circ$$

**Problem 4:**

The force  $F$  acts at the end of the angle bracket shown. Determine the moment of the force about point  $O$ .



It is noted that in this problem the scalar analysis provides a more convenient method for analysis than the vector analysis.

**Solution I (Scalar analysis)**

The force is resolved into its x and y components.

Moments of the components are computed about point  $O$ :

$$\begin{aligned} (+M_o &= 400 \sin 30^\circ (0.2) - 400 \cos 30^\circ (0.4) \\ \Rightarrow M_o &= -98.6 \text{ N.m} = 98.6 \text{ N.m (clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$

**Solution II (Vector analysis)**

Using a Cartesian vector approach, the force and position vectors shown can be represented as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r} &= \{0.4\mathbf{i} - 0.2\mathbf{j}\} \text{m} \\ \mathbf{F} &= \{400 \sin 30^\circ \mathbf{i} - 400 \cos 30^\circ \mathbf{j}\} \text{N} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} &= \{200\mathbf{i} - 346.4\mathbf{j}\} \text{N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_o = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0.4 & -0.2 & 0 \\ 200 & -346.4 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

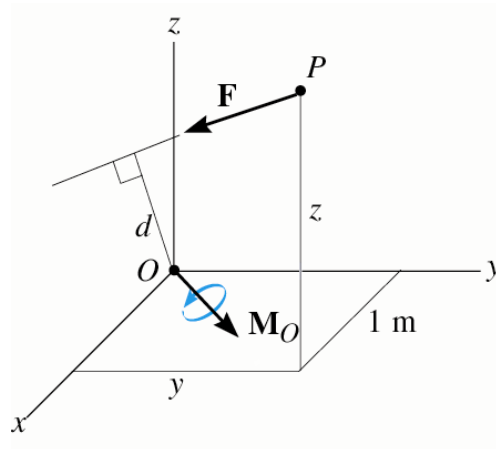
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} - 98.6\mathbf{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M}_o = \{-98.6\mathbf{k}\} \text{N.m}$$

As it is clear, it is recommended to use the scalar analysis for 2-dimensional problems, and the vector method for 3-dimensional problems.

**Problem 5:**

A force  $F = \{6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 1\mathbf{k}\}$  kN produces a moment of  $M_O = \{4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 14\mathbf{k}\}$  kN.m about the origin of coordinates, point O. If the force acts at a point having an x coordinate of  $x=1$  m, determine the y and z coordinates.



Solution:

$$P(1, y, z)$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 1\mathbf{k}\} \text{ kN}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \{4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 14\mathbf{k}\} \text{ kN.m}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 14\mathbf{k} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 1 & y & z \\ 6 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j} - 14\mathbf{k} = (y + 2z)\mathbf{i} - (1 - 6z)\mathbf{j} + (-2 - 6y)\mathbf{k}$$

Equate  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}$ , and  $\mathbf{k}$  coefficients

$$4 = y + 2z \quad (1)$$

$$5 = 6z - 1 \quad (2)$$

$$-14 = -6y - 2 \quad (3)$$

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$$(2) \Rightarrow 6z = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow z = 1 \text{ m}$$

Substitute in (1)

$$\Rightarrow y = 4 - 2z = 4 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2 \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(1, 2, 1)$$