

CE 201 STATICS (Sections A&B) [081]

H.W. #4 SOLUTIONS

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Problem 1

Given: The figure shown, 100 lb slider held in place on a smooth circular bar by cable AB.

Required: (a) Tension in the cable.
(b) Normal force exerted on the weight by the bar.

Solution

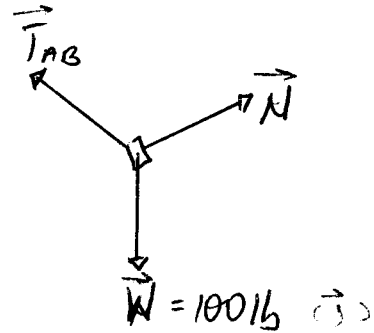
① The FBD is drawn first.

② Coordinates

$$A(4 \cos 20^\circ, 4 \sin 20^\circ, 0)$$

$$A(3.7588, 1.3681, 0)$$

$$B(0, 4, 3)$$



FBD

③ Position Vectors

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{AB} &= (B) - (A) \\ &= -3.7588\vec{i} + 2.6319\vec{j} + 3\vec{k} \end{aligned}$$

④ Force Vector

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{T}_{AB} &= T_{AB} \vec{u}_T \\ &= T_{AB} \vec{u}_{AB} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\vec{AB}| = \left[(-3.7588)^2 + (2.6319)^2 + 3^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$AB = 5.4823 \text{ ft}$$

$$\vec{u}_{AB} = \frac{\vec{AB}}{AB} = (-0.68563\vec{i} + 0.48007\vec{j} + 0.54722\vec{k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{T}_{AB} &= T_{AB} (\vec{U}_{AB}) \\ &= T_{AB} (-0.68563\vec{i} + 0.48007\vec{j} + 0.54722\vec{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{N} = N_x\vec{i} + N_y\vec{j} + N_z\vec{k}$$

We know that \vec{N} is normal to the tangent at A

$$A (\vec{U}_{||}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\vec{N} \cdot \vec{U}_{||} = 0 \quad (\text{since they are orthogonal})$$

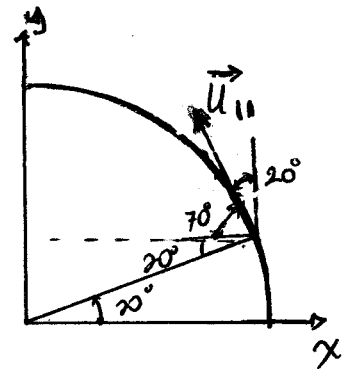
$$\vec{U}_{||} = \cos(20^\circ + 90^\circ)\vec{i} + \sin(20^\circ + 90^\circ)\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

or

$$\vec{U}_{||} = -\cos 70^\circ\vec{i} + \sin 70^\circ\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3.4202 N_x + 0.93969 N_y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N_y = 0.36397 N_x \quad (1)$$



$$\textcircled{5} \sum \vec{F} = 0 = \vec{T} + \vec{N} + \vec{W} = 0$$

$$\sum F_x = -0.68563 T_{AB} + N_x = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\sum F_y = 0.48007 T_{AB} + N_y - 100 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\sum F_z = 0.54722 T_{AB} + N_z = 0 \quad (4)$$

⑥ Solving the system of equations ① to ④ yields,

$$T_{AB} = 137.1 \text{ lb}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{T}_{AB} = -93.97\vec{i} + 65.80\vec{j} + 75.0\vec{k} \quad (15)$$

\Rightarrow

$$N_x = 93.97 \text{ lb}$$

$$N_y = 34.20 \text{ lb}$$

$$N_z = -75.0 \text{ lb}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{N} = 93.97\vec{i} + 34.20\vec{j} - 75.0\vec{k} \quad (16)$$

$$\Rightarrow N = 125 \text{ lb}$$

Problem 2

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Given: The figure shown with force, F exerting a 200 ft-lb clockwise moment about A and 100 ft-lb clockwise moment about B .

Required: F and θ

Solution

M of F about A is M_A

$$M_A = F \cos \theta (5-3) + F \sin \theta (4-(5))$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 F \cos \theta + 9 F \sin \theta = 200$$

(Note that ccw \oplus and cw \ominus)

M of F about B is M_B

$$M_B = -F \cos \theta [3-(4)] + F \sin \theta (4-3)$$

$$\Rightarrow -7 F \cos \theta + F \sin \theta = -100$$

$$\text{Since } F \cos \theta = F_x$$

$$F \sin \theta = F_y$$

$$\text{Then } 2F_x + 9F_y = 200 \quad (1)$$

$$-7F_x + F_y = -100 \quad (2)$$

Solving equations (1) and (2) yields

$$F_x = 16.92 \text{ lb}$$

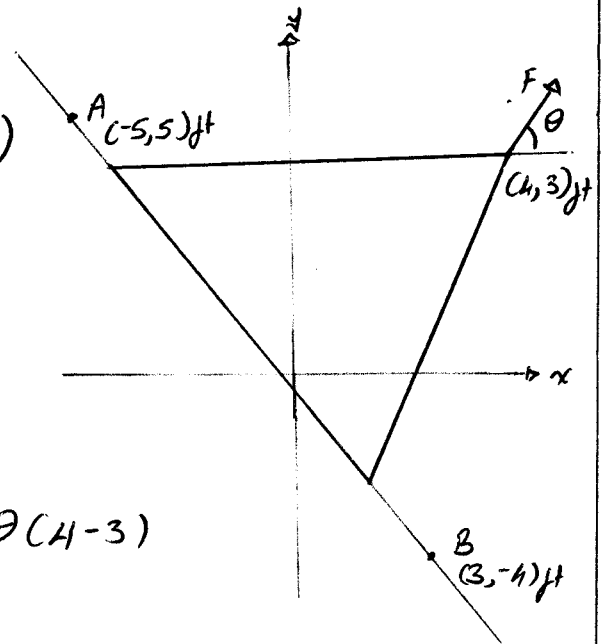
$$F_y = 18.46 \text{ lb}$$

$$F = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2} \Rightarrow \boxed{F = 250.4 \text{ lb}}$$

$$\tan \theta = F_y / F_x$$

$$\theta = 47.49^\circ$$

⚡ We can also use $\cos \theta = F_x / F$ or $\sin \theta = F_y / F$



Problem 3

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Given: The figure shown with an 80-N force.

- Required: (i) Moment of the force about origin O by using
- The Scalar Method
 - Cross product, letting r be the vector from O to A
 - Cross product, letting r be the vector from O to B
- (ii) The two dimensional description of the moment.

Solution

(i)

(a) Scalar Method

$$M = Fd$$
$$= 80(6)$$

$$M = 480 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \uparrow$$

It is M_z

(b)

Cross product letting r be the vector from O to A.

$$\vec{F} = 0\vec{i} + 80\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_{OA} = 6\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

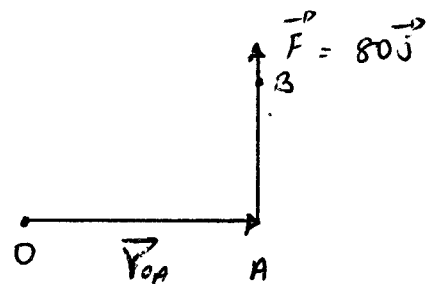
$$M_o = \vec{r}_{OA} \times \vec{F}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 80 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0\vec{i} - 0\vec{j} + (6)(80)\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{M}_o = 480\vec{k} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$$

as before



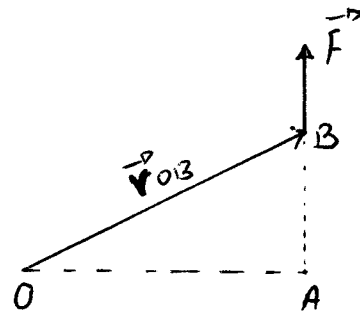
(c) Cross product letting \vec{r} be vector from O to B

$$\vec{r}_{OB} = 6\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{M}_O = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 6 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 80 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0\vec{i} - 0\vec{j} + (6)(80)\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{M}_O = 480\vec{k} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ as before.}$$



(ii) The 2-D moment is $\pm dF$ when d is the perpendicular distance from the point of interest to the line of action of F .
ccw is \oplus , while cw is \ominus

Problem 4

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Given: The figure shown, with tension in cable AB = 150N and tension in cable AC = 100N.

Required: Sum of moments about O due to forces exerted on the wall by the cables by

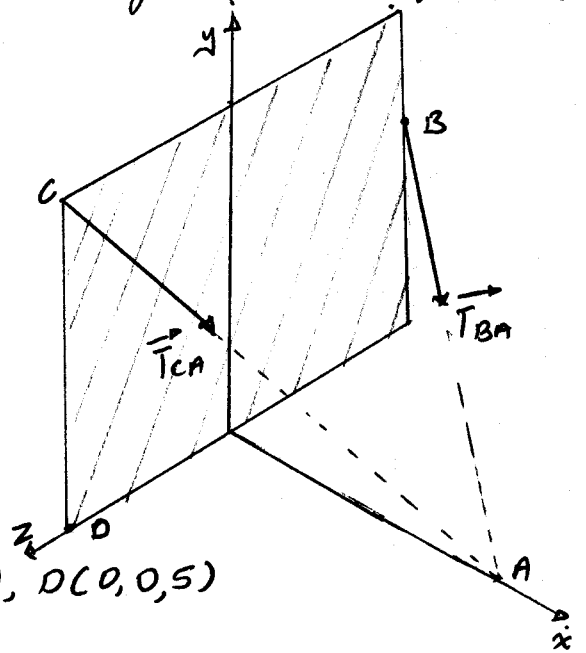
a) using vector OA for both forces

b) using vector OB for T_{AB} and the vector OC for T_{AC}

c) first finding the resultant force, R, then finding M of R

Comparison of Results.

Solution



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{M}_D &= \vec{M}_{T_{BA}} + \vec{M}_{T_{CA}} \\ &= \vec{V}_{DA} \times \vec{T}_{BA} + \vec{V}_{DA} \times \vec{T}_{CA} \end{aligned}$$

$$A(8, 0, 0), B(0, 4, -5), C(0, 8, 5), D(0, 0, 5)$$

$$\vec{V}_{DA} = (A - D) = 8\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} - 5\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{T}_{BA} = T_{BA} \vec{U}_{BA} \quad (\text{Note BA not AB. Why?!})$$

$$= T_{BA} \vec{U}_{BA}$$

$$\vec{BA} = (A) - (B) = 8\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} + 5\vec{k}$$

$$BA = \sqrt{105} \approx 10.247 \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{U}_{BA} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{105}} (8\vec{i} - 4\vec{j} + 5\vec{k})$$

$$= 0.78072\vec{i} - 0.39036\vec{j} + 0.48795\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{T}_{BA} = T_{BA} \vec{U}_{BA} = 117.11\vec{i} - 58.55\vec{j} + 73.192\vec{k} \text{ (N)}$$

$$\vec{T}_{CA} = T_{CA} \vec{U}_{TCA} \quad (\text{Note } CA \text{ not } AC. \text{ Why?!})$$

$$= T_{CA} \vec{U}_{CA}$$

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$$\vec{CA} = (A) - (C) = 8\vec{i} - 8\vec{j} - 5\vec{k}$$

$$CA = \sqrt{153} \text{ m} \approx 12.369 \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{U}_{CA} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{153}} (8\vec{i} - 8\vec{j} - 5\vec{k})$$

$$= 0.64676\vec{i} - 0.64676\vec{j} - 0.40422\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{T}_{CA} = T_{CA} \vec{U}_{CA} = 64.676\vec{i} - 64.676\vec{j} - 40.422\vec{k} \text{ (N)}$$

$$\vec{M}_D = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 8 & 0 & -5 \\ 117.11 & -58.554 & 73.192 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 8 & 0 & -5 \\ -64.676 & -64.676 & -40.422 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (-292.77\vec{i} - 1171.1\vec{j} - 468.43\vec{k}) + (-323.38\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} - 517.41\vec{k})$$

$$\vec{M}_D = -616.2\vec{i} - 1171\vec{j} - 985.8\vec{k} \text{ (N.m)}$$

(b) Using \vec{DB} and \vec{DC}

$$\vec{V}_{DB} = 0\vec{i} + 4\vec{j} - 10\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{V}_{DC} = 0\vec{i} + 8\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$\vec{M}_D = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 4 & -10 \\ 117.11 & -58.554 & 73.192 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ -64.676 & -64.676 & -40.422 \end{vmatrix}$$

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(c)

Extend the two tensions to (A)

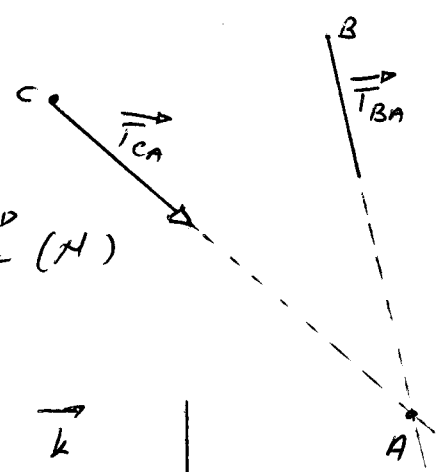
$$\sum \vec{F} = \vec{R} = \vec{T}_{BA} + \vec{T}_{CA}$$

$$= 181.79\vec{i} - 123.23\vec{j} + 32.77\vec{k} \text{ (N)}$$

\vec{V} is chosen as \vec{V}_{OA} (why?!)

$$\Rightarrow \vec{M}_O = \vec{V}_{OA} \times \vec{R} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ 8 & 0 & -5 \\ 181.79 & -123.23 & 32.77 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\vec{M}_O = -616.2\vec{i} - 1171\vec{j} - 985.8\vec{k} \text{ (N.m)}$$



Note that all the results of the three parts (a), (b) and (c) are the same.

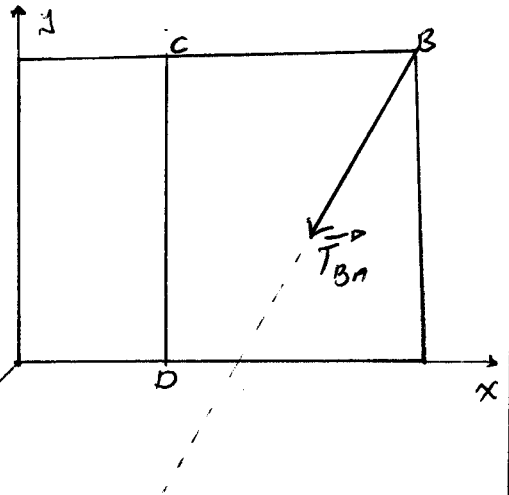
Thus, in general, choose the easiest one/method if you have the choice.

Problem 5

Given: The figure shown with tension in cable AB = 80 lb

Required: Moment about line CD due to force exerted by the cable on the wall at B, using your different position vectors.

Solution



$$M = U \cdot (\vec{V} \times \vec{F})$$

$$\vec{U}_{CD} = -\vec{j} \text{ (why and how ??!!)}$$

$$\vec{T}_{BA} = T_{BA} \vec{U}_T = T_{BA} \vec{U}_{BA}$$

$$A(6, 0, 10), B(8, 6, 0), C(3, 6, 0), D(3, 0, 0)$$

$$\vec{BA} = (A) - (B) = -2\vec{i} - 6\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$$

$$BA = \sqrt{140} \approx 11.8322 \text{ ft}$$

$$\vec{T}_{BA} = \frac{80}{\sqrt{140}} (-2\vec{i} - 6\vec{j} + 10\vec{k})$$

$$= -13.522\vec{i} - 40.567\vec{j} + 67.612\vec{k} \text{ (lb)}$$

First, Take \vec{r} as CB

$$\Rightarrow \vec{CB} = 5\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{CD} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0 \\ -13.522 & -40.567 & 67.612 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -(-1)(5)(67.612)$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{CD} = 338.1 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb} \oplus$$



Second

Take \vec{r} as \vec{DB}

$$\vec{DB} = 5\vec{i} + 6\vec{j} + 0\vec{k}$$

$$M_{CO} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 \\ -13.522 & -40.567 & 67.616 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= -(-1)(5)(67.612)$$

$$M_{CO} = 338.1 \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb}$$

Third

Take \vec{r} as \vec{CA}

$$\vec{CA} = 3\vec{i} - 6\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$$

$$M_{CO} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 10 \\ -13.522 & -40.567 & 67.612 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 - (-1)[(3)(67.612) - 10(-13.522)] + 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{CO} = 338.1 \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb}$$

Fourth

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Take \vec{r} as \vec{DA}

$$\vec{DA} = 3\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 10\vec{k}$$

$$M_{CD} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 10 \\ -13.522 & -40.567 & 67.612 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= 0 - (-1)[(3)(67.612) - 10(-13.522)] + 0$$

$$M_{CD} = 338.1 \text{ ft}\cdot\text{lb}$$

\vec{M}_{CD} as a vector in $M_{CD} \vec{U}_{CD}$

$$\vec{M}_{CD} = 0\vec{i} - 338.1\vec{j} + 0\vec{k} \text{ (ft}\cdot\text{lb)}$$

which means it is directed down in the negative y direction, which is the same as from C to D (\vec{CD}).

Note that all answers are the same.

Thus in general, choose the easiest, which in this case is the first one (\vec{CB}).