

CHAPTER IV (SELECTED PROBLEMS)

4-7. If the moment produced by the 4-kN force about point A is $10 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$ clockwise, determine the angle θ , where $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$.

Resolving the 4 - kN force into its horizontal and vertical components, Fig. a, and applying the principle of moments,

$$\sum M_A = -10 = 4 \cos \theta (0.45) - 4 \sin \theta (3)$$

$$12 \sin \theta - 1.8 \cos \theta = 10 \quad (1)$$

Referring to the geometry of Fig. a,

$$\cos \phi = \frac{12}{\sqrt{147.24}} \quad \sin \phi = \frac{1.8}{\sqrt{147.24}} \quad (2)$$

Dividing Eq. (1) by $\sqrt{147.24}$ yields

$$\frac{12}{\sqrt{147.24}} \sin \theta - \frac{1.8}{\sqrt{147.24}} \cos \theta = \frac{10}{\sqrt{147.24}} \quad (3)$$

Substituting Eq. (2) into (3) yields

$$\sin \theta \cos \phi - \cos \theta \sin \phi = \frac{10}{\sqrt{147.24}}$$

$$\sin(\theta - \phi) = \frac{10}{\sqrt{147.24}}$$

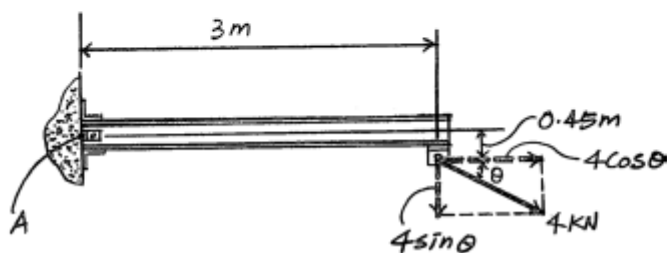
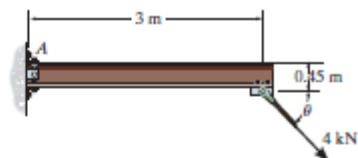
However, $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1.8}{12}\right) = 8.531^\circ$. Thus,

$$\sin(\theta - 8.531^\circ) = \frac{10}{\sqrt{147.24}}$$

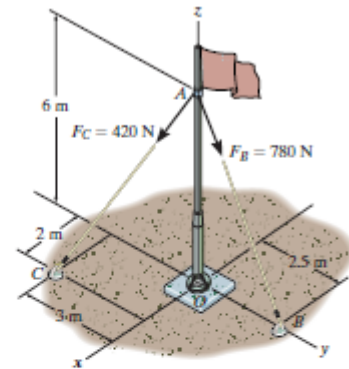
$$\theta - 8.531^\circ = 55.50^\circ$$

$$\theta = 64.0^\circ$$

Ans.



*4-40. Determine the moment produced by force \mathbf{F}_B about point O . Express the result as a Cartesian vector.



Position Vector and Force Vectors: Either position vector \mathbf{r}_{OA} or \mathbf{r}_{OB} can be used to determine the moment of \mathbf{F}_B about point O .

$$\mathbf{r}_{OA} = [6\mathbf{k}] \text{ m} \quad \mathbf{r}_{OB} = [2.5\mathbf{j}] \text{ m}$$

The force vector \mathbf{F}_B is given by

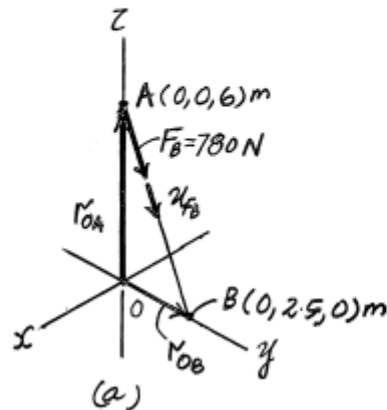
$$\mathbf{F}_B = F_B \mathbf{u}_{FB} = 780 \left[\frac{(0-0)\mathbf{i} + (2.5-0)\mathbf{j} + (0-6)\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(0-0)^2 + (2.5-0)^2 + (0-6)^2}} \right] = [300\mathbf{j} - 720\mathbf{k}] \text{ N}$$

Vector Cross Product: The moment of \mathbf{F}_B about point O is given by

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r}_{OA} \times \mathbf{F}_B = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 300 & -720 \end{vmatrix} = [-1800\mathbf{i}] \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = [-1.80\mathbf{i}] \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

or

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r}_{OB} \times \mathbf{F}_B = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 0 & 2.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 300 & -720 \end{vmatrix} = [-1800\mathbf{i}] \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = [-1.80\mathbf{i}] \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$



*4-56. Determine the moment produced by force \mathbf{F} about segment AB of the pipe assembly. Express the result as a Cartesian vector.

Moment About Line AB : Either position vector \mathbf{r}_{AC} or \mathbf{r}_{BC} can be conveniently used to determine the moment of \mathbf{F} about line AB .

$$\mathbf{r}_{AC} = (3-0)\mathbf{i} + (4-0)\mathbf{j} + (4-0)\mathbf{k} = [3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}] \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{BC} = (3-3)\mathbf{i} + (4-4)\mathbf{j} + (4-0)\mathbf{k} = [4\mathbf{k}] \text{ m}$$

The unit vector \mathbf{u}_{AB} , Fig. a, that specifies the direction of line AB is given by

$$\mathbf{u}_{AB} = \frac{(3-0)\mathbf{i} + (4-0)\mathbf{j} + (0-0)\mathbf{k}}{\sqrt{(3-0)^2 + (4-0)^2 + (0-0)^2}} = \frac{3}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{4}{5}\mathbf{j}$$

Thus, the magnitude of the moment of \mathbf{F} about line AB is given by

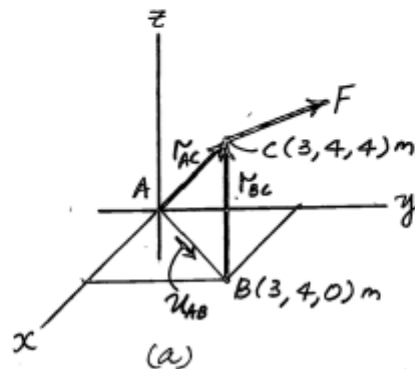
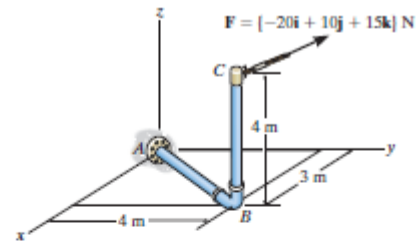
$$\begin{aligned} M_{AB} &= \mathbf{u}_{AB} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{AC} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 4 \\ -20 & 10 & 15 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{3}{5}[4(15) - 10(4)] - \frac{4}{5}[3(15) - (-20)(4)] + 0 \\ &= -88 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \end{aligned}$$

or

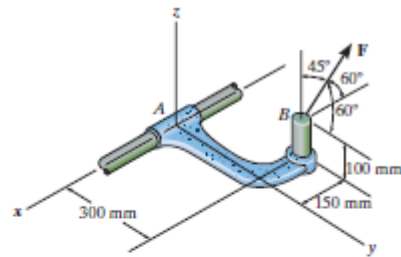
$$\begin{aligned} M_{AB} &= \mathbf{u}_{AB} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{BC} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \\ -20 & 10 & 15 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{3}{5}[0(15) - 10(4)] - \frac{4}{5}[0(15) - (-20)(4)] + 0 \\ &= -88 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, \mathbf{M}_{AB} can be expressed in Cartesian vector form as

$$\mathbf{M}_{AB} = M_{AB} \mathbf{u}_{AB} = -88 \left(\frac{3}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{4}{5}\mathbf{j} \right) = [-52.8\mathbf{i} - 70.4\mathbf{j}] \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$



4-58. If $F = 450$ N, determine the magnitude of the moment produced by this force about the x axis.



Moment About the x axis: Either position vector \mathbf{r}_{AB} or \mathbf{r}_{CB} can be used to determine the moment of \mathbf{F} about the x axis.

$$\mathbf{r}_{AB} = (-0.15 - 0)\mathbf{i} + (0.3 - 0)\mathbf{j} + (0.1 - 0)\mathbf{k} = [-0.15\mathbf{i} + 0.3\mathbf{j} + 0.1\mathbf{k}] \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{CB} = [(-1.5 - (-0.15))\mathbf{i} + (0.3 - 0)\mathbf{j} + (0.1 - 0)\mathbf{k}] = [0.3\mathbf{j} + 0.1\mathbf{k}] \text{ m}$$

The force vector \mathbf{F} is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = 450(-\cos 60^\circ\mathbf{i} + \cos 60^\circ\mathbf{j} + \cos 45^\circ\mathbf{k}) = [-225\mathbf{i} + 225\mathbf{j} + 318.20\mathbf{k}] \text{ N}$$

Knowing that the unit vector of the x axis is \mathbf{i} , the magnitude of the moment of \mathbf{F} about the x axis is given by

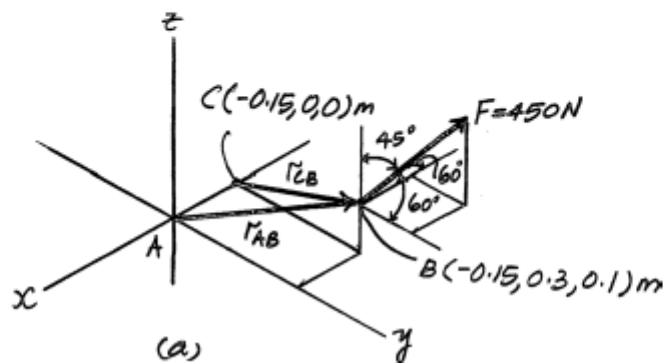
$$M_x = \mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{AB} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.15 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ -225 & 225 & 318.20 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \mathbf{i}[0.3(318.20) - (225)(0.1)] + 0 + 0 = 73.0 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

or

$$M_x = \mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{CB} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ -225 & 225 & 318.20 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \mathbf{i}[0.3(318.20) - (225)(0.1)] + 0 + 0 = 73.0 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

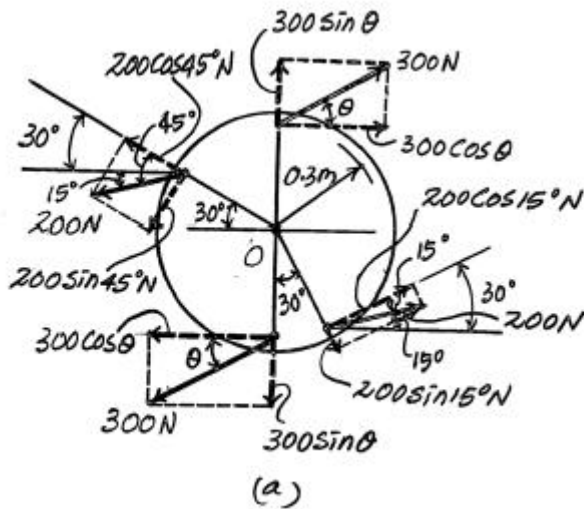
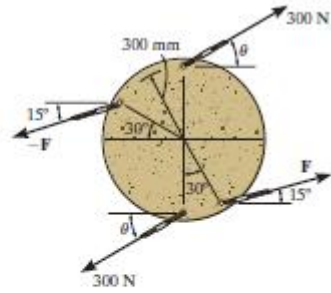


4-79. If $F = 200$ N, determine the required angle θ so that the resultant couple moment is zero.

By resolving the 300 - N and 200 - N couples into their radial and tangential components, Fig. *a*, and summing the moment of these two force components about point *O*,

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + (M_c)_R = \Sigma M_O; \quad 0 &= 200 \sin 45^\circ (0.3) + 200 \cos 15^\circ (0.3) - 300 \cos \theta (0.3) - 300 \sin \theta (0.3) \\ \theta &= 56.1^\circ \text{ Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

Note: Since the line of action of the radial component of the forces pass through point *O*, no moment is produced about this point.



4-86. Two couples act on the cantilever beam. If $F = 6 \text{ kN}$, determine the resultant couple moment.

- a) By resolving the 6-kN and 5-kN couples into their x and y components, Fig. a, the couple moments $(M_c)_1$ and $(M_c)_2$ produced by the 6-kN and 5-kN couples, respectively, are given by

$$\zeta + (M_c)_1 = 6 \sin 30^\circ (3) - 6 \cos 30^\circ (0.5 + 0.5) = 3.804 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$$

$$\zeta + (M_c)_2 = 5 \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) (0.5 + 0.5) - 5 \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) (3) = -9 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m}$$

Thus, the resultant couple moment can be determined from

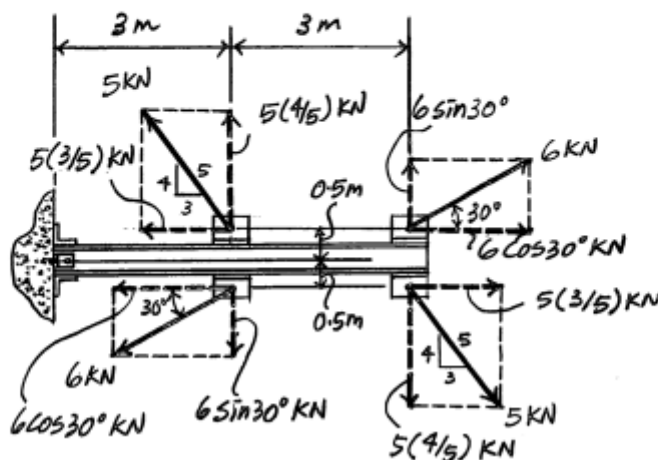
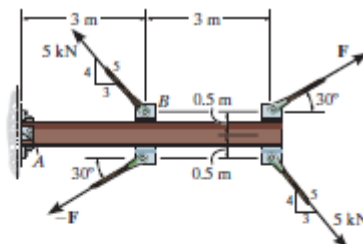
$$\begin{aligned} (M_c)_R &= (M_c)_1 + (M_c)_2 \\ &= 3.804 - 9 = -5.196 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} = 5.20 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$

Ans.

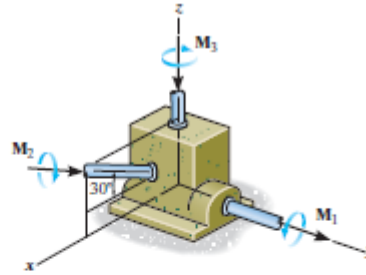
- b) By resolving the 6-kN and 5-kN couples into their x and y components, Fig. a, and summing the moments of these force components about point A, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + (M_c)_R &= \Sigma M_A; \quad (M_c)_R = 5 \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) (0.5) + 5 \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) (3) - 6 \cos 30^\circ (0.5) - 6 \sin 30^\circ (3) \\ &\quad + 6 \sin 30^\circ (6) - 6 \cos 30^\circ (0.5) + 5 \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) (0.5) - 5 \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) (6) \\ &= -5.196 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} = 5.20 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (clockwise)} \end{aligned}$$

Ans.



*4-92. Determine the required magnitude of couple moments M_1 , M_2 , and M_3 so that the resultant couple moment is $\mathbf{M}_R = \{-300\mathbf{i} + 450\mathbf{j} - 600\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$.



Since the couple moment is a free vector, it can act at any point without altering its effect. Thus, the couple moments M_1 , M_2 , and M_3 acting on the gear deducer can be simplified, as shown in Fig. a. Expressing each couple moment in Cartesian vector form,

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = M_1\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_2 = M_2(-\cos 30^\circ\mathbf{i} - \sin 30^\circ\mathbf{k}) = -0.8660M_2\mathbf{i} - 0.5M_2\mathbf{k}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_3 = -M_3\mathbf{k}$$

The resultant couple moment is given by

$$(\mathbf{M}_c)_R = \Sigma \mathbf{M}_i$$

$$(\mathbf{M}_c)_R = \mathbf{M}_1 + \mathbf{M}_2 + \mathbf{M}_3$$

$$(-300\mathbf{i} + 450\mathbf{j} - 600\mathbf{k}) = M_1\mathbf{j} + (-0.8660M_2\mathbf{i} - 0.5M_2\mathbf{k}) + (-M_3\mathbf{k})$$

$$-300\mathbf{i} + 450\mathbf{j} - 600\mathbf{k} = -0.8660M_2\mathbf{i} + M_1\mathbf{j} - (0.5M_2 + M_3)\mathbf{k}$$

Equating the \mathbf{i} , \mathbf{j} , and \mathbf{k} components yields

$$-300 = -0.8660M_2 \quad M_2 = 346.41 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 346 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

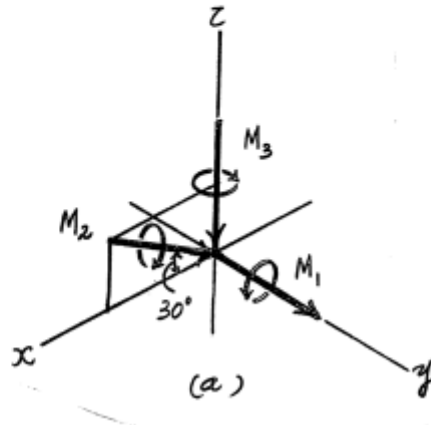
Ans.

$$M_1 = 450 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

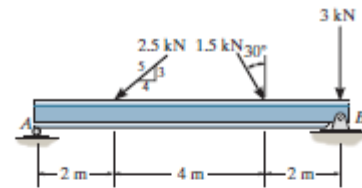
Ans.

$$-600 = -0.5(346.41) + M_3 \quad M_3 = 427 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

Ans.



•4-105. Replace the force system acting on the beam by an equivalent force and couple moment at point A.



$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow F_x = \Sigma F_x: \quad F_x &= 1.5 \sin 30^\circ - 2.5 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \\ &= -1.25 \text{ kN} = 1.25 \text{ kN} \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$

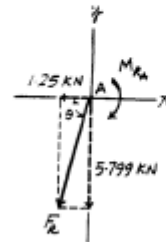
$$\begin{aligned} + \uparrow F_y = \Sigma F_y: \quad F_y &= -1.5 \cos 30^\circ - 2.5 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) - 3 \\ &= -5.799 \text{ kN} = 5.799 \text{ kN} \downarrow \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$F_R = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2} = \sqrt{1.25^2 + 5.799^2} = 5.93 \text{ kN} \quad \text{Ans}$$

and

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{F_y}{F_x} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{5.799}{1.25} \right) = 77.8^\circ \quad \text{Ans}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \zeta + M_{R_A} = \Sigma M_A: \quad M_{R_A} &= -2.5 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)(2) - 1.5 \cos 30^\circ(6) - 3(8) \\ &= -34.8 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} = 34.8 \text{ kN} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (Clockwise)} \quad \text{Ans} \end{aligned}$$

•4-109. Replace the force system acting on the post by a resultant force and couple moment at point A.

Equivalent Resultant Force: Forces F_1 and F_2 are resolved into their x and y components, Fig. a . Summing these force components algebraically along the x and y axes,

$$\rightarrow \Sigma (F_R)_x = \Sigma F_x; \quad (F_R)_x = 250\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - 500 \cos 30^\circ - 300 = -533.01 \text{ N} = 533.01 \text{ N} \leftarrow$$

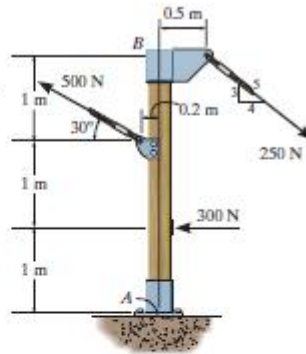
$$+ \uparrow (F_R)_y = \Sigma F_y; \quad (F_R)_y = 500 \sin 30^\circ - 250\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = 100 \text{ N} \uparrow$$

The magnitude of the resultant force F_R is given by

$$F_R = \sqrt{(F_R)_x^2 + (F_R)_y^2} = \sqrt{533.01^2 + 100^2} = 542.31 \text{ N} = 542 \text{ N}$$

The angle θ of F_R is

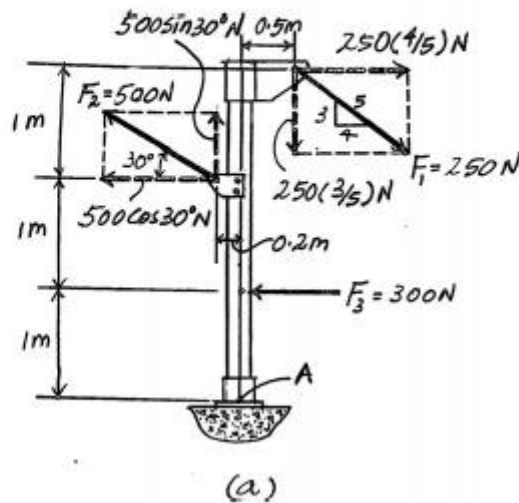
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(F_R)_y}{(F_R)_x} \right] = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{100}{533.01} \right] = 10.63^\circ = 10.6^\circ \quad \curvearrowright$$



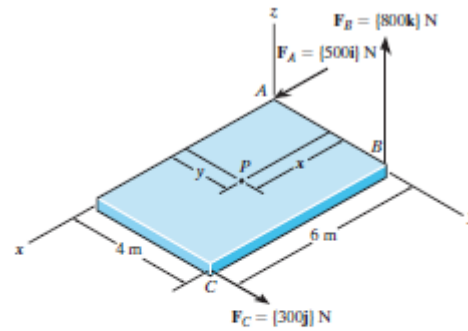
Ans.

Equivalent Resultant Couple Moment: Applying the principle of moments, Figs. a , and summing the moments of the force components algebraically about point A,

$$\begin{aligned} \curvearrowleft (M_R)_A &= \Sigma M_A; \quad (M_R)_A = 500 \cos 30^\circ (2) - 500 \sin 30^\circ (0.2) - 250\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)(0.5) - 250\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)(3) + 300(1) \\ &= 441.02 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 441 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} \text{ (counterclockwise)} \quad \text{Ans.} \end{aligned}$$



•4-141. Replace the three forces acting on the plate by a wrench. Specify the magnitude of the force and couple moment for the wrench and the point $P(x, y)$ where its line of action intersects the plate.



$$\mathbf{F}_R = \{500\mathbf{i} + 300\mathbf{j} + 800\mathbf{k}\} \text{ N}$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{(500)^2 + (300)^2 + (800)^2} = 990 \text{ N} \quad \text{Ans}$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{FR} = \{0.5051\mathbf{i} + 0.3030\mathbf{j} + 0.8081\mathbf{k}\}$$

$$M_{R_x} = \Sigma M_{x'}; \quad M_{R_x} = 800(4-y)$$

$$M_{R_y} = \Sigma M_{y'}; \quad M_{R_y} = 800x$$

$$M_{R_z} = \Sigma M_{z'}; \quad M_{R_z} = 500y + 300(6-x)$$

Since \mathbf{M}_R also acts in the direction of \mathbf{u}_{FR} ,

$$M_R(0.5051) = 800(4-y)$$

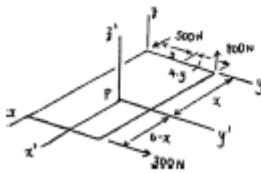
$$M_R(0.3030) = 800x$$

$$M_R(0.8081) = 500y + 300(6-x)$$

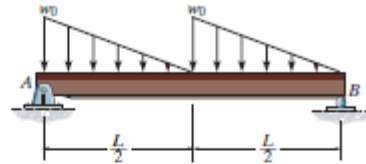
$$M_R = 3.07 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m} \quad \text{Ans}$$

$$x = 1.16 \text{ m} \quad \text{Ans}$$

$$y = 2.06 \text{ m} \quad \text{Ans}$$



•4-145. Replace the distributed loading with an equivalent resultant force, and specify its location on the beam measured from point A.



Loading: The distributed loading can be divided into two parts as shown in Fig. *a*. The magnitude and location of the resultant force of each part acting on the beam are also shown in Fig. *a*.

Resultants: Equating the sum of the forces along the *y* axis of Figs. *a* and *b*,

$$+\downarrow F_R = \Sigma F; \quad F_R = \frac{1}{2}w_0\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}w_0\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}w_0L \quad \downarrow$$

Ans.

If we equate the moments of F_R , Fig. *b*, to the sum of the moment of the forces in Fig. *a* about point A,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (M_R)_A = \Sigma M_A; \quad -\frac{1}{2}w_0L(\bar{x}) &= -\frac{1}{2}w_0\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)\left(\frac{L}{6}\right) - \frac{1}{2}w_0\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}L\right) \\ \bar{x} &= \frac{5}{12}L \end{aligned}$$

Ans.

