

## Lecture 06

- \* MOMENT OF A FORCE SCALAR FORMULATION
- \* CROSS PRODUCT
- \* MOMENT OF A FORCE VECTOR FORMULATION
- \* PRINCIPLE OF MOMENTS

Section 4.1-4.4

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### **MOMENT OF A FORCE SCALAR FORMULATION, CROSS PRODUCT, MOMENT OF A FORCE VECTOR FORMULATION, & PRINCIPLE OF MOMENTS**

#### **Objectives :**

Students will be able to:

- understand and define moment, and,
- determine moments of a force in 2-D and 3-D cases.



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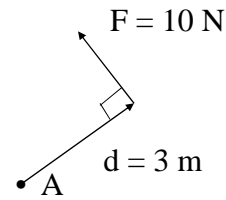


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### READING QUIZ

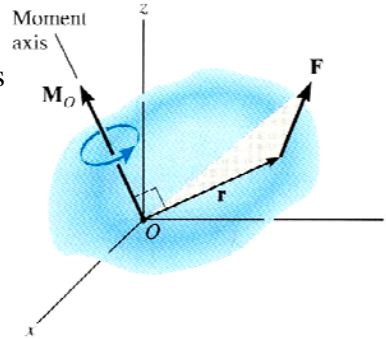
1. What is the moment of the 10 N force about point A ( $M_A$ )?

- A) 10 N·m      B) 30 N·m      C) 13 N·m  
D)  $(10/3)$  N·m      E) 7 N·m



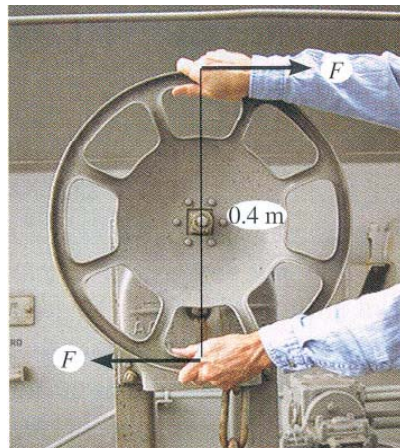
2. Moment of force  $F$  about point O is defined as  $M_O =$  \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A)  $r \times F$       B)  $F \times r$   
C)  $r \cdot F$       D)  $r * F$



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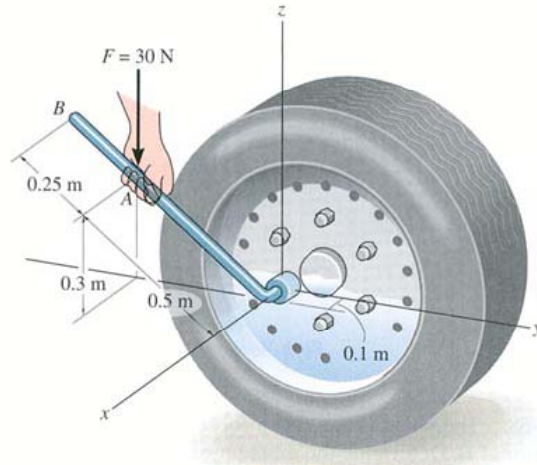
### APPLICATIONS



What is the net effect of the two forces on the wheel?

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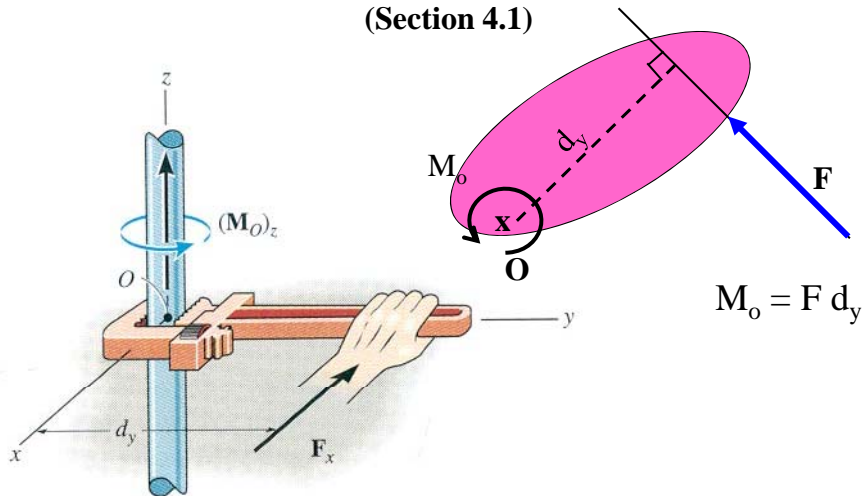
**APPLICATIONS**  
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What is the effect of the 30 N force on the lug nut?

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**MOMENT OF A FORCE - SCALAR FORMULATION**  
(Section 4.1)

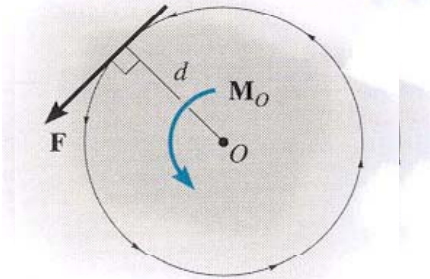


The moment of a force about a point provides a measure of the tendency for rotation (sometimes called a torque).

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**MOMENT OF A FORCE - SCALAR FORMULATION**  
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In the 2-D case, the magnitude of the moment is  $M_O = F d$

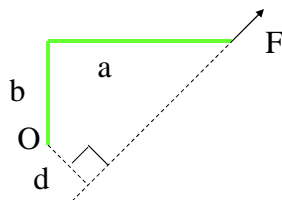


As shown,  $d$  is the perpendicular distance from point  $O$  to the line of action of the force.

In 2-D, the direction of  $M_O$  is either clockwise or counter-clockwise depending on the tendency for rotation.

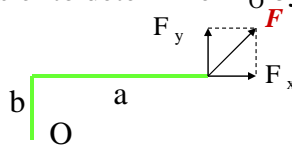
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**MOMENT OF A FORCE - SCALAR FORMULATION**  
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For example,  $M_O = F d$  and the direction is counter-clockwise.

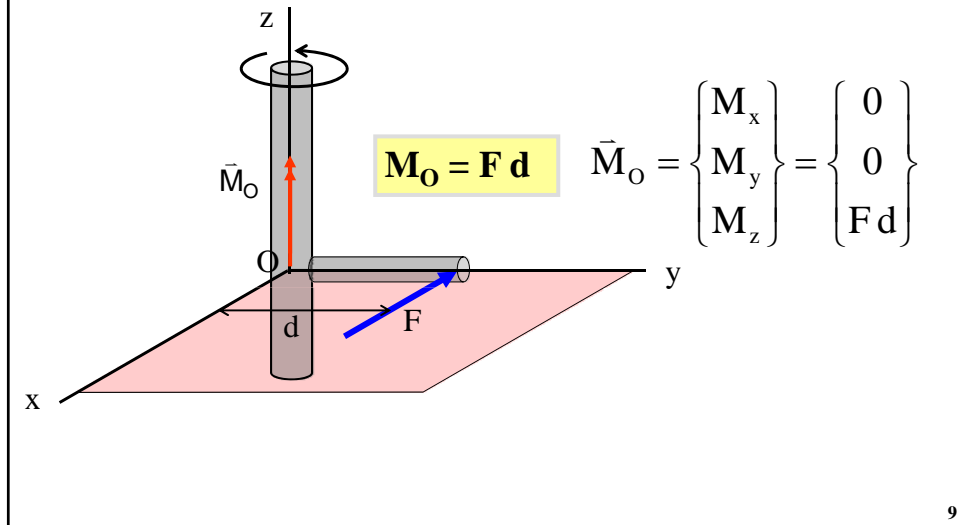
Often it is easier to determine  $M_O$  by using the components of  $F$  as shown.



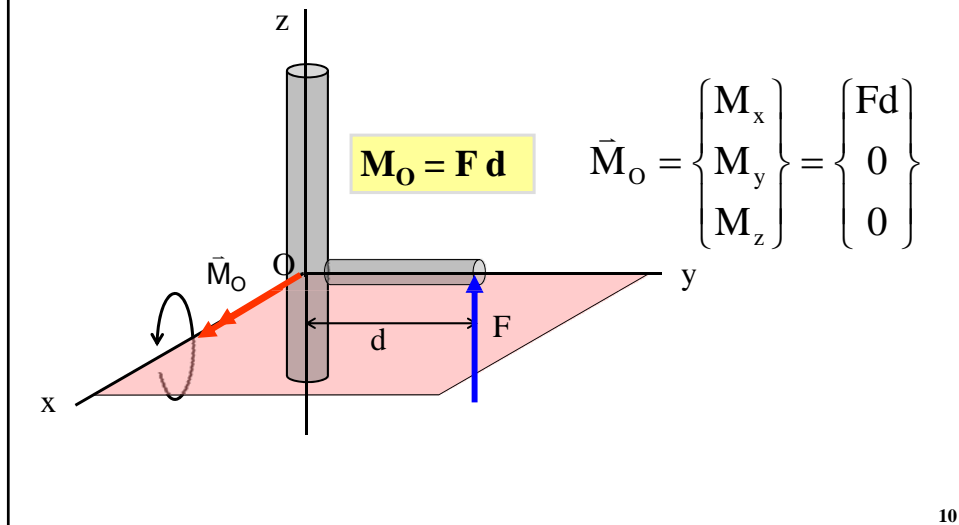
Using this approach,  $M_O = (F_Y a) - (F_X b)$ . Note the different signs on the terms! The typical sign convention for a moment in 2-D is that counter-clockwise is considered positive. We can determine the direction of rotation by imagining the body pinned at  $O$  and deciding which way the body would rotate because of the force.

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## General concept of moment

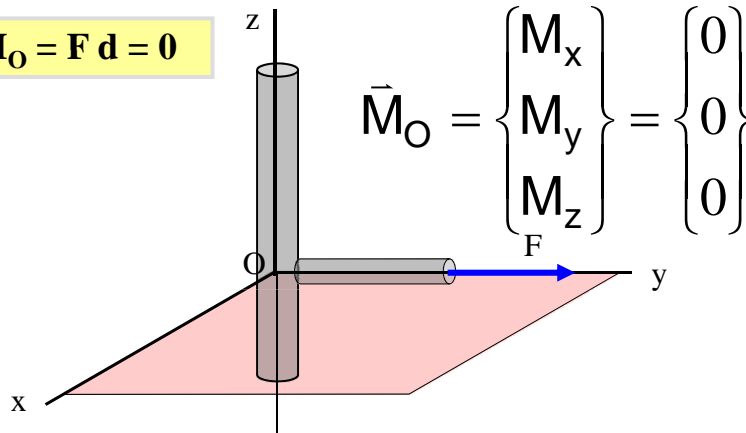


## Concept of Moment



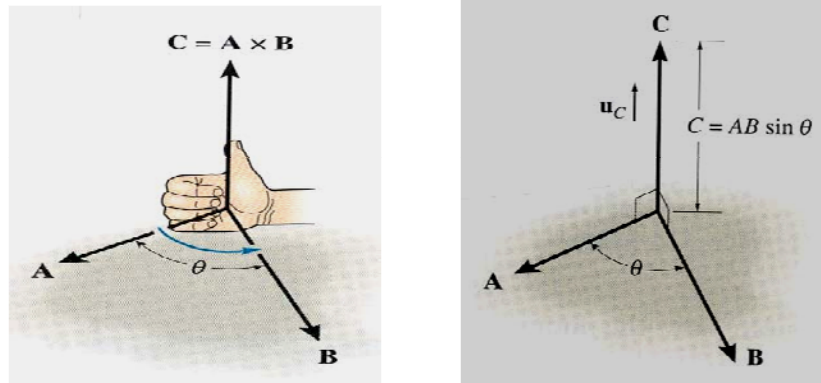
## Concept of Moment

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{0}$$



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## CROSS PRODUCT (Section 4.2)



In general, the cross product of two vectors  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  results in another vector  $\mathbf{C}$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$ . The magnitude and direction of the resulting vector can be written as

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = AB \sin \theta \mathbf{U}_C$$

Here  $\mathbf{U}_C$  is the unit vector perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  vectors as shown (or to the plane containing the  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  vectors).

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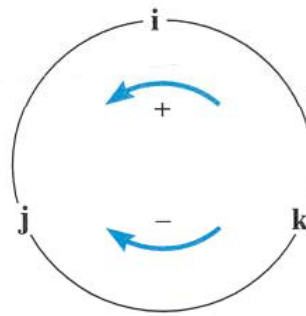
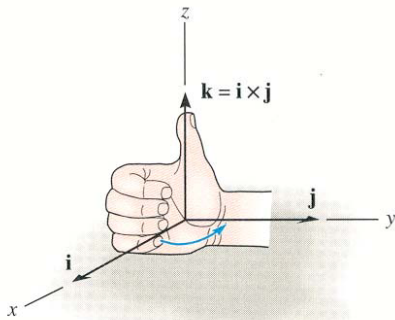
## CROSS PRODUCT

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The right hand rule is a useful tool for determining the direction of the vector resulting from a cross product.

For example:  $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k}$

Note that a vector crossed into itself is zero, e.g.,  $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{0}$



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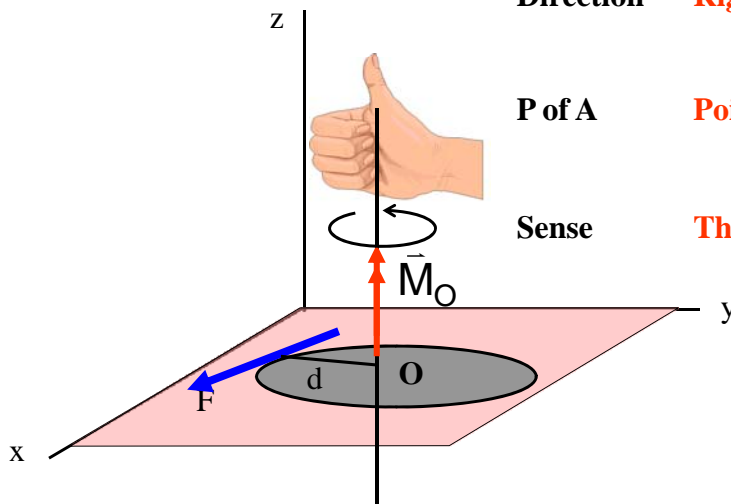
## Moment Vector

Magnitude  $M_O = F d$

Direction **Right Hand Rule**

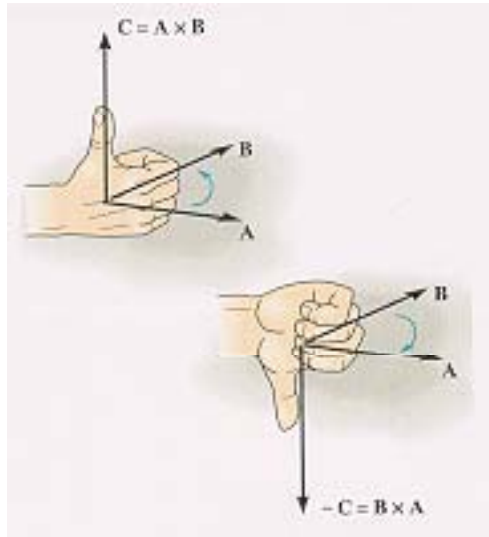
P of A **Point "O"**

Sense **Thumb**

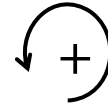


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## Order



CCW is (+)



CW is (-)

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## CROSS PRODUCT

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Of even more utility, the cross product can be written as

$$\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix}$$

Each component can be determined using  $2 \times 2$  determinants.

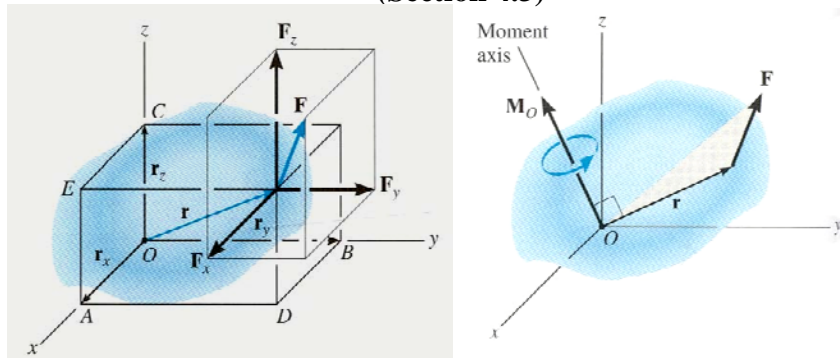
For element  $\mathbf{i}$ :  $\begin{vmatrix} \oplus & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{i}(A_y B_z - A_z B_y)$

For element  $\mathbf{j}$ :  $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \oplus & \mathbf{k} \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = -\mathbf{j}(A_x B_z - A_z B_x)$

For element  $\mathbf{k}$ :  $\begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \oplus \\ A_x & A_y & A_z \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{k}(A_x B_y - A_y B_x)$

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## MOMENT OF A FORCE – VECTOR FORMULATION (Section 4.3)



Moments in 3-D can be calculated using scalar (2-D) approach but it can be difficult and time consuming. Thus, it is often easier to use a mathematical approach called the vector cross product.

Using the vector cross product,  $\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$ .

Here  $\mathbf{r}$  is the position vector from point O to any point on the line of action of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

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## MOMENT OF A FORCE – VECTOR FORMULATION (continued)

So, using the cross product, a moment can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{M}_O = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ r_x & r_y & r_z \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix}$$

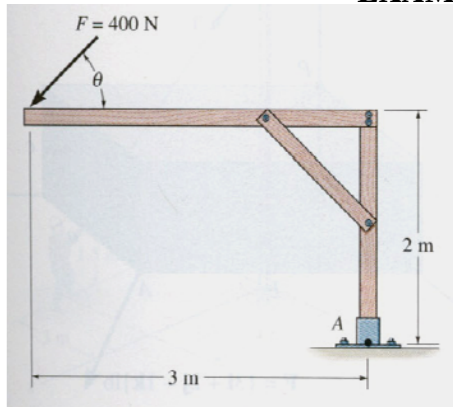
By expanding the above equation using  $2 \times 2$  determinants (see Section 4.2), we get (sample units are N - m or lb - ft)

$$\mathbf{M}_O = (r_y F_z - r_z F_y) \mathbf{i} - (r_x F_z - r_z F_x) \mathbf{j} + (r_x F_y - r_y F_x) \mathbf{k}$$

The physical meaning of the above equation becomes evident by considering the force components separately and using a 2-D formulation.

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### EXAMPLE #1



**Given:** A 400 N force is applied to the frame and  $\theta = 20^\circ$ .

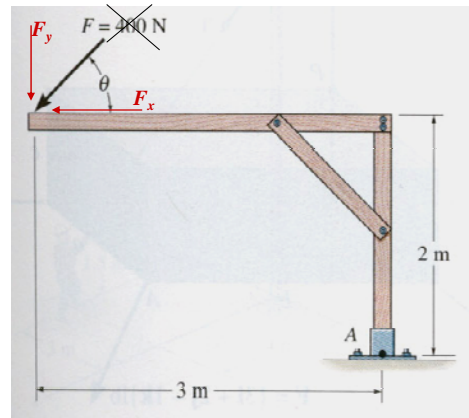
**Find:** The moment of the force at A.

**Plan:**

- 1) Resolve the force along x and y axes.
- 2) Determine  $M_A$  using scalar analysis.

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### EXAMPLE #1 (continued)

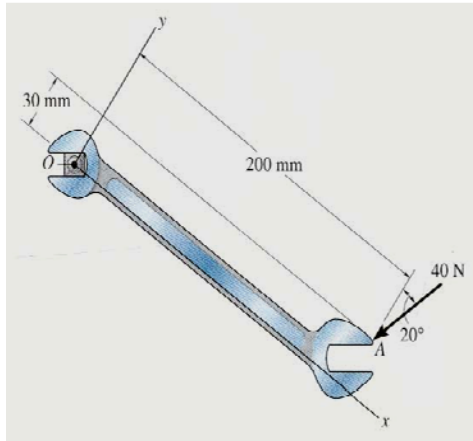


**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} + \uparrow F_y &= -400 \sin 20^\circ \text{ N} \\ + \rightarrow F_x &= -400 \cos 20^\circ \text{ N} \\ + \curvearrowright M_A &= \{(400 \sin 20^\circ)(3) + (400 \cos 20^\circ)(2)\} \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \\ &= 1160 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

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### PROBLEM SOLVING



**Given:** A 40 N force is applied to the wrench.

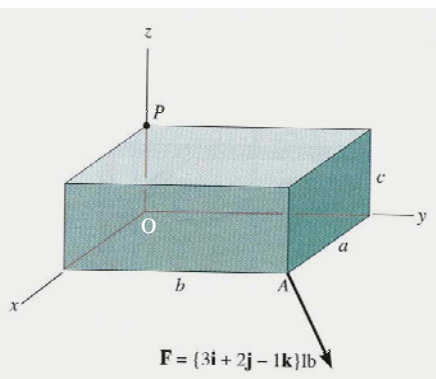
**Find:** The moment of the force at O.

**Plan:** 1) Resolve the force along x and y axes.  
2) Determine  $M_O$  using scalar analysis.

**Solution:**  $+\uparrow F_y = -40 \cos 20^\circ \text{ N}$   
 $+\rightarrow F_x = -40 \sin 20^\circ \text{ N}$   
 $+\curvearrowright M_O = \{-(40 \cos 20^\circ)(200) + (40 \sin 20^\circ)(30)\} \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm}$   
 $= -7107 \text{ N}\cdot\text{mm} = -7.11 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$

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### EXAMPLE # 2



**Given:**  $a = 3 \text{ in}$ ,  $b = 6 \text{ in}$  and  $c = 2 \text{ in}$ .

**Find:** Moment of  $F$  about point O.

**Plan:**

- 1) Find  $r_{OA}$ .
- 2) Determine  $M_O = r_{OA} \times F$ .

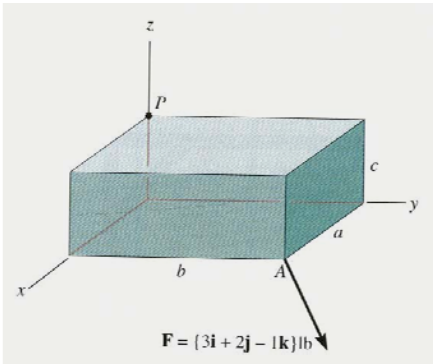
**Solution**  $r_{OA} = \{3i + 6j - 0k\} \text{ in}$

$$M_O = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = [\{6(-1) - 0(2)\}i - \{3(-1) - 0(3)\}j + \{3(2) - 6(3)\}k] \text{ lb}\cdot\text{in}$$

$$= \{-6i + 3j - 12k\} \text{ lb}\cdot\text{in}$$

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### PROBLEM SOLVING



**Given:**  $a = 3$  in ,  $b = 6$  in and  $c = 2$  in

**Find:** Moment of  $F$  about point  $P$

**Plan:** 1) Find  $r_{PA}$  .

2) Determine  $M_P = r_{PA} \times F$

**Solution:**  $r_{PA} = \{ 3i + 6j - 2k \}$  in

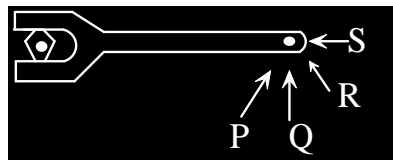
$$M_P = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 3 & 6 & -2 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = \{ -2i - 3j - 12k \} \text{ lb} \cdot \text{in}$$

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### CONCEPT QUIZ

1. If a force of magnitude  $F$  can be applied in four different 2-D configurations (P,Q,R, & S), select the cases resulting in the maximum and minimum torque values on the nut. (Max, Min).

- A) (Q, P)                      B) (R, S)  
C) (P, R)                      D) (Q, S)

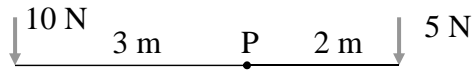


2. If  $M = r \times F$ , then what will be the value of  $M \cdot r$  ?

- A) 0                              B) 1  
C)  $r^2 F$                       D) None of the above.

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### ATTENTION QUIZ



1. Using the CCW direction as positive, the net moment of the two forces about point P is

- A)  $10 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$       B)  $20 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$       C)  $-20 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$   
 D)  $40 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$       E)  $-40 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$

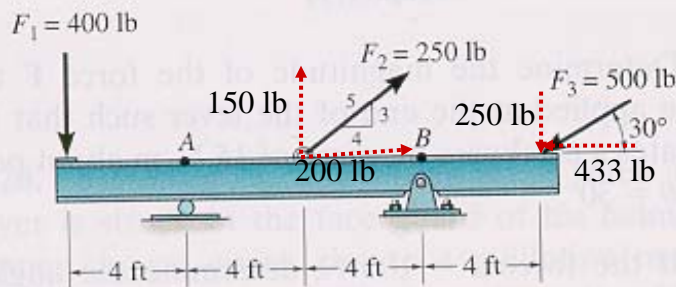
2. If  $\mathbf{r} = \{ 5 \mathbf{j} \}$  m and  $\mathbf{F} = \{ 10 \mathbf{k} \}$  N, the moment

$\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$  equals  $\{ \text{_____} \}$  N·m.

- A)  $50 \mathbf{i}$       B)  $50 \mathbf{j}$       C)  $-50 \mathbf{i}$   
 D)  $-50 \mathbf{j}$       E) 0

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**4-9.** Determine the moment of each of the three forces about point  $B$  on the beam.



**Probs. 4-8/9**

$$M_B = +400(12) - 150(4) - 250(4) = 4800 - 600 - 1000$$

$$M_B = 3200 \text{ lb ft}$$

$$M_B = 3.2 \text{ Kip-ft}$$

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