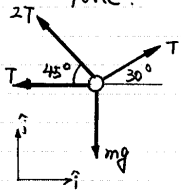


2.85, 2.91, 2.93, 2.78 5), 6)

2.85 Replace the force system by a single equivalent force.



Solution:

$$\vec{F}_{net} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 + \vec{F}_4$$

$$\vec{F}_1 = T(-\hat{i})$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = mg(-\hat{j})$$

$$\vec{F}_3 = T(\cos 30^\circ \hat{i} + \sin 30^\circ \hat{j})$$

$$= T\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hat{i} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{j}\right)$$

$$\vec{F}_4 = 2T\left(-\frac{2}{5}\cos 45^\circ \hat{i} + \sin 45^\circ \hat{j}\right)$$

$$= 2T\left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{5}\hat{i} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5}\hat{j}\right)$$

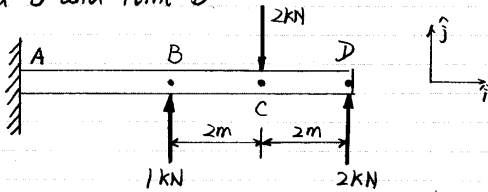
$$\vec{F}_{net} = -T\hat{i} - mg\hat{j} + \frac{T}{2}(\sqrt{3}\hat{i} + \hat{j}) + \sqrt{2}T(-\hat{i} + \hat{j})$$

$$= \left(-1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \sqrt{2}\right)T\hat{i} + \left(\frac{T}{2} + \sqrt{2}T - mg\right)\hat{j}$$

$$= \boxed{-1.55T\hat{i} + (1.91T - mg)\hat{j}}$$

$$\vec{M}_0 = 0$$

2.91. Find an equivalent force-couple system at point B and Point D.



Solution:

a) at point B

$$\vec{F}_{net} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3$$

$$= 1\text{ kN}\hat{j} + 2\text{ kN}\hat{j} - 2\text{ kN}\hat{j}$$

$$= 1\text{ kN}\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{M}_{net} = \vec{r}_{BC} \times (-2\text{ kN}\hat{j}) + \vec{r}_{BD} \times (2\text{ kN}\hat{j})$$

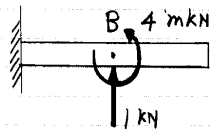
$$= 2\hat{i} \times (-2\hat{j}) + 4\hat{i} \times 2\hat{j} \text{ mKN}$$

$$= -4\hat{k} + 8\hat{k} \text{ mKN}$$

$$= 4\hat{k} \text{ mKN}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_{net} = 1\text{ kN}\hat{j}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{M}_{net} = 4\text{ mKN}\hat{k}}$$



Cont. 2.91

b) at point D

$$\vec{F}_{net} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3$$

$$= 1\text{ kN}\hat{j} + 2\text{ kN}\hat{j} - 2\text{ kN}\hat{j}$$

$$= 1\text{ kN}\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{M}_{net} = \vec{r}_{DC} \times (-2\hat{j}) + \vec{r}_{DB} \times \hat{j} \text{ mKN}$$

$$= -2\hat{i} \times (-2\hat{j}) + (-4\hat{i}) \times \hat{j} \text{ mKN}$$

$$= 0 \text{ mKN}\hat{k}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{F}_{net} = 1\text{ kN}\hat{j}}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{M}_{net} = 0 \text{ mKN}\hat{k}}$$

Could also solve using the result from part (a)

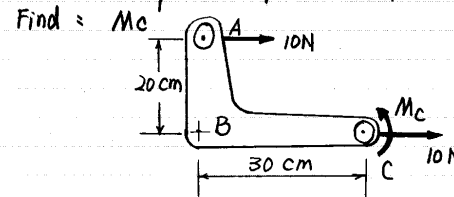
$$\vec{M}_{Dnet} = \vec{r}_{Dnet} \times \vec{F}_{net}$$

$$= \vec{r}_{Dnet} \times \vec{0}$$

$$= \vec{0}$$

2.93

Given: a force-moment system at point C, and an equivalent force = 10N at A



Solution:

$$\vec{F}_{net} = 10\text{ N}\hat{i}$$

For the two force systems (the one at C, another at A) to be equivalent, the total moment about any point should be the same

Take point A:

$$\vec{M}_{net1} = 0 \text{ for } 10\text{ N at A}$$

$$\vec{M}_{net2} = M_c \hat{k} + dF \hat{k}$$

$$= (M_c + (0.2)(10)) \hat{k} \text{ mN}$$

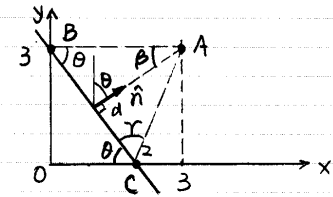
$$\vec{M}_{net2} = \vec{M}_{net1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow M_c = 2 \text{ mN}$$

$$\boxed{M_c = 2 \text{ mN}}$$

$$\boxed{(M_c = -2\text{ mN}\hat{k})}$$

2.78. Find the distance from point A to line BC



Soln:

Method 1: by using cross product of $\vec{r}_{BA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}$

$$|\vec{r}_{BA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}| = |\vec{r}_{BA}| \sin \theta = d$$

$$\vec{r}_{BA} = 3\hat{i}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{BC} = \frac{\vec{r}_{BC}}{|\vec{r}_{BC}|}$$

$$\vec{r}_{BC} = \vec{r}_C - \vec{r}_B$$

$$= 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}$$

$$|\vec{r}_{BC}| = \sqrt{2^2 + 3^2} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_{BC} = \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = |\vec{r}_{BA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}|$$

$$= |3\hat{i} \times \frac{2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}}{\sqrt{13}}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} |0 - 9\hat{k}|$$

$$= \frac{9}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Method 2: Find \hat{n} about line BC, using dot product

$$|\vec{r}_{BA} \cdot \hat{n}| = |\vec{r}_{BA}| \cos \beta = d$$

• Finding \hat{n} :

$$\hat{n} = \sin \theta \hat{i} + \cos \theta \hat{j}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2}} \hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2}} \hat{j}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \hat{j}$$

• Finding d:

$$d = 3\hat{i} \cdot \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \hat{i} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \hat{j}\right) = \frac{9}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Cont. 2.27.

Method 3: using $|\vec{r}_{CA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}|$

$$|\vec{r}_{CA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}| = |\vec{r}_{CA}| \sin \tau = d$$

$$\vec{r}_{CA} = \vec{r}_A - \vec{r}_C = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$$

$$= \hat{i} + 3\hat{j}$$

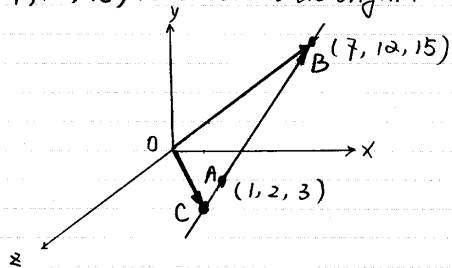
$$\vec{r}_{CA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC} = (\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}) \times (2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j}) / \sqrt{13}$$

$$= \frac{-3\hat{k} - 6\hat{k}}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = |\vec{r}_{CA} \times \hat{\lambda}_{BC}| = \frac{9}{\sqrt{13}}$$

There are many more methods...

5. what point on the line that goes through (1, 2, 3) and (7, 12, 15) is closest to the origin?



Solution:

The line goes from the origin to the point concerned will be perpendicular to line AB.

let this point be C, then line OC \perp line AB the question now equals to find the coordinates of the point C, say, what's \vec{r}_C

From the figure:

$$\vec{r}_C = \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_{CB}$$

$$\vec{r}_B = 7\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 15\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_{CB} = (\vec{r}_B \cdot \hat{\lambda}_{AB}) \hat{\lambda}_{AB}$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{AB} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB}}{|\vec{r}_{AB}|} = \frac{\vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A}{|\vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A|}$$

Another method:

$$\vec{n} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB} \times (\vec{r}_{AB} \times \vec{r}_O)}{|\vec{r}_{AB} \times (\vec{r}_{AB} \times \vec{r}_O)|}$$

$$\vec{r}_{OA} = (\vec{r}_O \cdot \vec{n}) \vec{n}$$

(\vec{n} is along dir of OA)

Cont. 5.

$$\vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A = (7\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 15\hat{k}) - (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$$

$$= 6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A| = \sqrt{6^2 + 10^2 + 12^2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{70}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{70}} (6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}_{CB} = (\vec{r}_B \cdot \hat{\lambda}_{AB}) \hat{\lambda}_{AB}$$

$$= (7\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 15\hat{k}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{70}} (6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k}) \hat{\lambda}_{AB}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{70}} (42 + 120 + 180) \hat{\lambda}_{AB}$$

$$= \frac{342}{280} (6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k})$$

\Rightarrow

$$\vec{r}_C = \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_{CB}$$

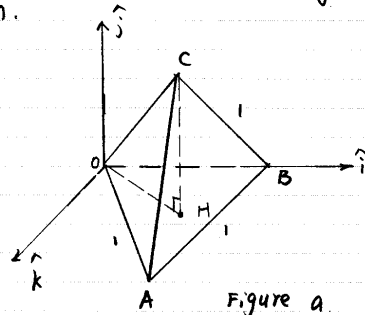
$$= (7\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 15\hat{k}) - \frac{342}{280} (6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k})$$

$$\approx (7\hat{i} + 12\hat{j} + 15\hat{k}) - 122 (6\hat{i} + 10\hat{j} + 12\hat{k})$$

$$= -0.32\hat{i} - 0.2\hat{j} + 0.36\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_C = -0.32\hat{i} - 0.2\hat{j} + 0.36\hat{k}$$

6. Find the distance BC and OA in a regular tetrahedron.



Solution:

The distance between BC and OA will be the length of the line that's perpendicular to both lines.

Method 1: geometry only

From the figure, H is the centroid of the top, H' is the centroid of the bottom.

\Rightarrow HH' \perp bottom & top (one of the properties of the cube)

\Rightarrow HH' \perp BC
 HH' \perp OA

\Rightarrow HH' is the distance between line OA & line BC

$$\Rightarrow HH' = EB \quad (EB \parallel HH')$$

$$= 1 \cdot \sin 45^\circ$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

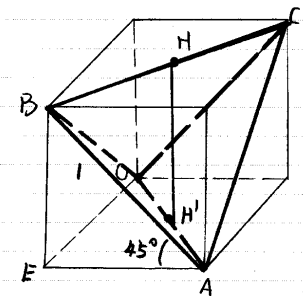


Figure b.

Method 2: geometry only also

From the figure:

$$CH \perp OB$$

$$\Rightarrow CH = 1 \cdot \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

H' is the center of AC

$$\Rightarrow CH' = \frac{1}{2}$$

• can show:

$$\begin{cases} HH' \perp AC \\ HH' \perp OB \end{cases}$$

• Proving HH' \perp AC

H is the center of line OB

$$\Rightarrow AH \perp OB$$

$$\Rightarrow AH = 1 \cdot \sin 60^\circ = CH$$

H' is the center of AC

\Rightarrow HH' is the height of ΔAHC

$$\Rightarrow HH' \perp AC$$

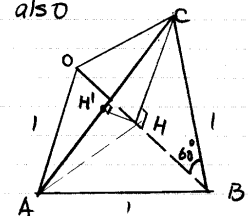


Figure c.

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- Proving $HH' \perp OB$

Similarly:

 HH' is the height of triangle $OH'B$

\Rightarrow
 $HH' \perp OB$

So, HH' is the distance between OB & AC

- Finding HH'

From triangle $HH'C$, $HH' \perp H'C$

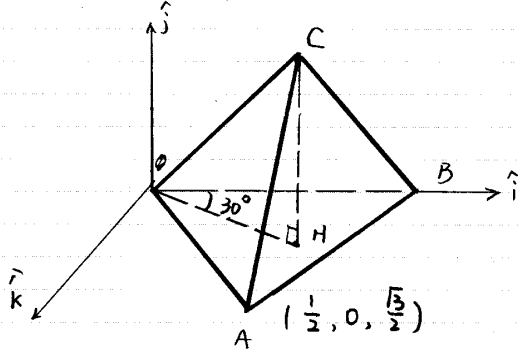
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow HH' &= \sqrt{HC^2 - H'C^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Method 3: triple product

- Finding the unit normal vector for both lines, OC & AB in figure

$$\hat{n} = \vec{r}_{OC} \times \vec{r}_{AB}$$

$$\vec{r}_{OC} = r_{cx} \hat{i} + r_{cy} \hat{j} + r_{cz} \hat{k}$$

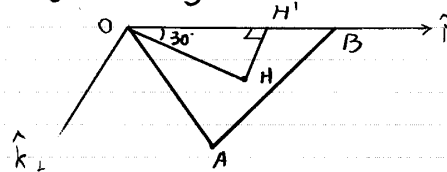
 $CH \perp$ to triangle OAB $\Rightarrow CH \perp OH$

$$\begin{aligned} OH &= \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 \cdot \cos 30^\circ \quad (\text{property of equal side } \nabla) \\ &= \sqrt{3}/3 \end{aligned}$$

Cont. Method 3. 6.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow CH &= \sqrt{OC^2 - OH^2} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_y = CH = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \quad (\text{because } CH \parallel \hat{j})$$

 $HH' \perp OB$, $\angle H'OH = 30^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow C_x &= OH' \\ &= OH \cdot \cos 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_z &= HH' \\ &= OH \cdot \sin 30^\circ \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}_{OC} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \hat{j} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \hat{k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_{AB} &= \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A \\ &= \hat{i} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{k}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \hat{i} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{n} &= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) \hat{i} - \left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12}\right) \hat{j} + \left(0 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}\right) \hat{k} \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hat{i} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \hat{j} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

- Choosing any vector from line OC to line AB

let's choose $\vec{r}_{OB} = \hat{i}$

$$|\vec{r}_{OB} \cdot \hat{n}| = d = \left|1 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right| = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$