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2. Chapter Two: Force vectors:

<u>A scalar</u> is any positive or negative physical quantity that can be completely specified by its *magnitude*. Examples of scalar quantities include length, mass, and time.

<u>A vector</u> is any physical quantity that requires both a *magnitude* and a *direction* for its complete description. Examples of vectors encountered in statics are force, position, and moment.

2.1.Vector Operations

Procedure for Analysis:

- 1. Redraw a half portion of the parallelogram to illustrate the triangular headto-tail addition of the components.
- 2. From this triangle, the *magnitude of the resultant force* can be determined using *the law of cosines*, and its *direction* is determined from *the law of sines*. The magnitudes of two force components are determined from the law of sines. The formulas are:

Cosine law:
$$c = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - 2AB \cos(c)}$$

Sine law:
$$\frac{A}{\sin a} + \frac{B}{\sin b} + \frac{C}{\sin c}$$

Example /1: The screw eye in Figure below is subjected to two forces, F1 and F2.

Determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant force.

Solution:

The two unknowns are .The magnitude of F_R and the angle θ (theta).







Using the law of cosines:

$$F_R = \sqrt{(100)^2 + (150)^2 - 2(100)(150) \cos 115^0}$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{(1000) + (22500) - 3000(-0.4226)}$$

$$F_R = 212.6$$

Applying the law of sines to determine θ :

$$\frac{150}{\sin \theta} = \frac{212.6}{\sin 115^0}$$
$$\sin \theta = \frac{150(\sin 115^0)}{212.6}$$
$$\theta = 39.8^0$$

Thus, the direction $\Phi(phi)$ of FR, measured from the horizontal, is:

 $\theta = 39.8^{0} + 15^{0} = 54.8^{0}$

Example(3) / Refer to the Fig. 2.24. The structure shown is subjected to force vectors *P* and *T* having magnitude 500 N and 200 N respectively. Combine *P* and *T* into a single force *R*.

Solution Given $P = 500 \text{ N} \cdot T = 200 \text{ N} \cdot \text{Let}$ the angle between P and T be

a.So, P and T can be represented by two adjacent sides of the parallelogram and the resultant R can be represented by the diagonal.





From the given geometry,

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{BD}{AD} = \frac{5\sin 75^{\circ}}{3+5\cos 75^{\circ}} \implies \alpha = 48.4^{\circ}$$

Using Law of cosines:

 $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \alpha$ $R^2 = 200^2 + 500^2 - 2(200)(500) \cos (48.4^\circ)$ R = 396.5 N

Using Law of sines, we get $\frac{200}{\sin \theta} = \frac{396.5}{\sin 48.4^{\circ}}$

Thus the magnitude of R is R = 396.5 N and its inclination with P is 22.2° .

 $\theta = 22.2^{\circ}$



Example: The end of the boom O in Figure (a) below is subjected to three concurrent and coplanar forces. Determine the *magnitude* and *direction* of the resultant force.



Solution:

Each force is resolved into its x and y components, Figure (b), Summing the x-components

and

$$\stackrel{+}{\rightarrow} (F_R)_x = \Sigma F_x; \qquad (F_R)_x = -400 \text{ N} + 250 \sin 45^\circ \text{ N} - 200 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \text{ N}$$

$$= -383.2 \text{ N} = 383.2 \text{ N} \leftarrow$$

+ $\uparrow (F_R)_y = \Sigma F_y;$ $(F_R)_y = 250 \cos 45^\circ N + 200 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) N$ = 296.8 N \uparrow

The resultant force, shown in Figure c, has a magnitude of:

$$F_R = \sqrt{(-383.2 \text{ N})^2 + (296.8 \text{ N})^2}$$

= 485 N

The direction angle θ is:

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{296.8}{383.2} \right) = 37.8^{\circ}$$

