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STATICS

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(CHAPTER 7: Sections 1 to 13)

Text Book :

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Introduction :

Mechanics : Mechanics is the Science that deals with the action of forces on bodies. Under the influence of forces, bodies may be either in Motion or at rest.

Statics : That branch of mechanics which is concerned with the conditions under which bodies remain at rest when acted on by forces is called statics.

Force : Force is any cause which produces or tends to produce a change in the existing state of rest of a body or of its uniform motion in a straight line.

A force will be completely known when we know

- (i) its magnitude
- (ii) its direction
- (iii) its point of application.

(ie) the Point of the body at which the force acts. Since the st. line has both magnitude and direction, a force can be conveniently represented by a st. line through the Point of application. Such a st. line representing a force is called Vector. The direction of the force is indicated by \overline{AB} represents a force acting from A to B.

Types of Forces: The forces on a body with which we are concerned in Statics can be classified as follows.

- (i) an attraction
- (ii) a tension
- (iii) a reaction.

Attraction and Repulsion: These are forces acting between two bodies which are not necessarily connected. When the bodies tend to approach each other, the force is called attraction and when they tend to separate out the force is called repulsion.

Tension or Thrust: When we push or pull a body by means of a string or rod, we exert some force on the body through the string or the rod. Such a force is called tension.

Reaction: Forces produced by direct contact are called action and reaction. When two bodies are in actual contact with each other each will exert a force on the other. The force exerted by one of the bodies upon the other may be called action and the force exerted by the second body on the first is called reaction.

Equilibrium: When a number of forces act on a body and keep it at rest the forces are called equilibrium.

Equilibrium of two forces: If two forces be equal and opposite (i) if two forces acting on a body \rightarrow (i) equal magnitude (ii) same line of action and (iii) opposite direction.

Then these two forces are in equilibrium.

Principle of the transmissibility of a force

If a force acts at any point of a rigid body it may be considered to act at any other point in its line of action provided this latter point is rigidly connected with the body.

Unit I : Forces acting at a Point

Resultant : If two or more forces F_1, F_2, \dots act on a rigid body and if a single force R can be found whose effect on the body is the same as that of all the forces F_1, F_2, \dots put together, then the single force R is called resultant of the forces F_1, F_2, \dots etc.

Note : The forces F_1, F_2, \dots are called Components

Simple Case of Finding the resultant :

(*) Case (i) : If two forces P and Q act in the same direction simultaneously on a particle, the resultant is $P+Q$ acting in the same direction.

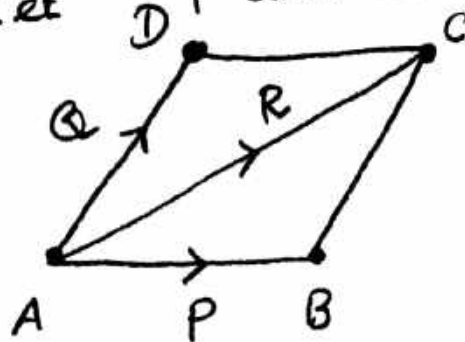
Case (ii) : If two forces P and Q act in the opposite direction the resultant is equal to $P-Q$ (i.e) acts in the direction of greater force.

Note: When two forces acting at a Point are in different directions their resultant can be found with the help of fundamental theorem of Statics. It is known as Law of the Parallelogram of Forces.

Theorem: Parallelogram of Forces

Statement: If two forces acting at a Point be represented in magnitude and direction by the sides of a Parallelogram drawn from the Point their resultant is represented both in magnitude and direction by the diagonal of the Parallelogram drawn through that Point.

Proof: Let P and Q be the forces.



If the forces P and Q acting at A are represented in magnitude and direction by

The straight lines AB and AD and if the Parallelogram BAD is completed, then the Diagonal AC will represent in magnitude and direction the resultant of P and Q.

$$(i) \overline{AB} + \overline{AD} = \overline{AC}$$

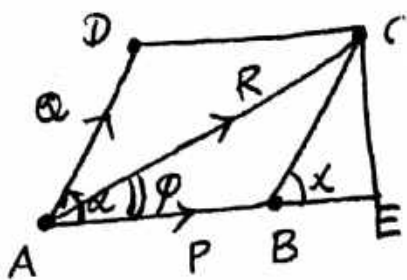
Analytical Expression for the resultant of two forces acting at a Point.

Let the two forces P and Q acting at A be represented by AB and AD.

Let the angle between AB and AD is α .

$$(i) \angle BAD = \alpha.$$

Complete the Parallelogram BAD



Then, the Diagonal AC is resultant. Say R. be the magnitude of the resultant and make it an angle ϕ with the force P.

$$(i) \angle CAB = \theta$$

Draw $CE \perp$ to AB . $BC = AD = Q$

From the right angled triangle BCE

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{CE}{BC} \Rightarrow \sin \alpha = \frac{CE}{Q}$$

$$\therefore CE = Q \sin \alpha \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{BE}{BC} = \frac{BE}{Q}$$

$$\therefore BE = Q \cos \alpha \rightarrow (2)$$

In ΔACE

$$AC^2 = AE^2 + CE^2$$

$$(i) AC^2 = (AB + BE)^2 + CE^2$$

$$(ii) R^2 = (P + Q \cos \alpha)^2 + (Q \sin \alpha)^2 \quad [\because \text{Using eqn. (1) \& (2)}]$$

$$= P^2 + 2PQ \cos \alpha + Q^2 \cos^2 \alpha + Q^2 \sin^2 \alpha$$

$$= P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \cos \alpha$$

$$\therefore R = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \cos \alpha} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\text{Now } \tan \phi = \frac{CE}{AE} = \frac{Q \sin \alpha}{P + Q \cos \alpha} \rightarrow (1)$$

Equation (3) gives the magnitude and Equation (1) gives the direction of Resultant.

Result 1: If the forces P and Q are at right angles to each other.

(ie) If $\alpha = 90^\circ$ Then $\sin \alpha = \sin 90^\circ = 1$ and

$$\cos \alpha = \cos 90^\circ = 0.$$

Put $\cos \alpha = 0$ in eqn. (3) ^{and (1)} We get

$$R = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

$$\tan \phi = Q/P$$

Result 2: If the forces are equal

(ie) If $P = Q$ then the eqn. (3) & (4) is

$$R = \sqrt{P^2 + 2P^2 \cos \alpha + P^2} = \sqrt{2P^2(1 + \cos \alpha)}$$

$$= \sqrt{2P^2 \cdot 2 \cos^2 \alpha/2} = 2P \cos \alpha/2$$

$$R = 2P \cos \alpha/2$$

$$\text{and } \tan \phi = \frac{P \sin \alpha}{P + P \cos \alpha} = \frac{\sin \alpha}{1 + \cos \alpha} = \frac{2 \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}}{2 \cos^2 \frac{\alpha}{2}}$$

$$(i) \tan \phi = \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \Rightarrow \phi = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

Result 3: Let the magnitudes P and Q of two forces acting at an angle α be given. Then their resultant R is greatest when $\cos \alpha$ is greatest.

(i) When $\cos \alpha = 1$ then the eqn. (3) is

$$R^2 = \sqrt{P^2 + 2PQ + Q^2} = (P+Q)^2$$

(ii) $R = P + Q$ [The forces act along the same line and same direction].

When $\cos \alpha = -1$ then $R^2 = P^2 - 2PQ + Q^2$

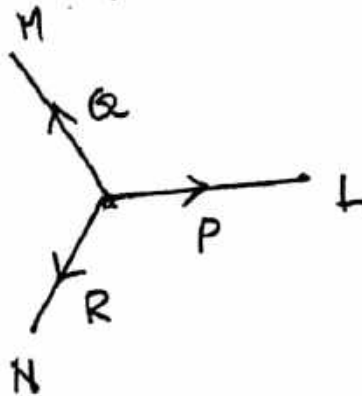
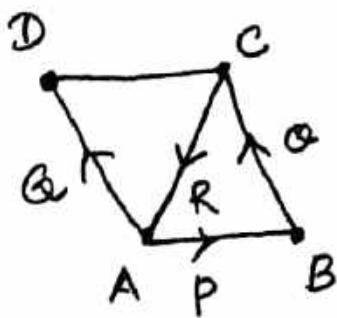
$R^2 = (P-Q)^2 \Rightarrow R = P - Q$ [the forces act along the same line but in opposite direction]

Triangle of Forces:

Theorem: If three forces acting at a Point can be represented in magnitude and direction by the Sides of a triangle taken in order, they will be in equilibrium.

Proof: Let the forces P, Q, R act at a Point O and be represented in magnitude and direction by the Sides AB, BC and CA of the triangle ABC . Now we have to Prove that the forces are in equilibrium.

Complete the Parallelogram $BADC$. As AD is equal and Parallel to BC , AD also represents Q in



magnitude and direction.

$$P + Q = \overline{AB} + \overline{AD} = \overline{AC} \text{ (Using Parallelogram Law)}$$

(i) $P + Q = \overline{AC}$ shows that the resultant of the forces P and Q at O is represented

in magnitude and direction by \overline{AC} .

The third force R acts at O and it is represented in magnitude and direction by \overline{CA} .

Hence $P + Q + R = \overline{AC}$ at $O + \overline{CA}$ at O

(ie) $P + Q + R = 0$ (as the two vectors at O are equal and opposite)

Hence the forces are in equilibrium.

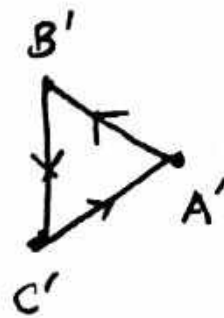
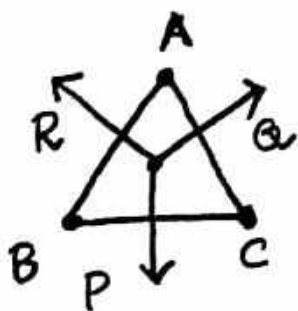
Note: If two forces acting at a point are such that represented in magnitude and direction by two sides of a triangle taken in the same order the resultant will be represented in magnitude and direction by the third side taken in the reverse order.

$$(ie) \overline{AB} + \overline{BC} = \overline{AC}$$

Perpendicular Triangle of Forces

Statement: If three forces acting at a Point are such that their magnitudes are Proportional to the Sides of a triangle and the directions are Perpendicular to the Corresponding Sides, all inwards or all outwards then also the forces will be in Equilibrium.

Proof: Let the forces P, Q, R meet at O . ABC is a triangle such that magnitudes of P, Q, R are Proportional to the Sides BC, CA and AB respectively of triangle ABC and their directions are Perpendicular to the Corresponding Sides all outwards.



To Prove that the forces P, Q and R in Equilibrium.

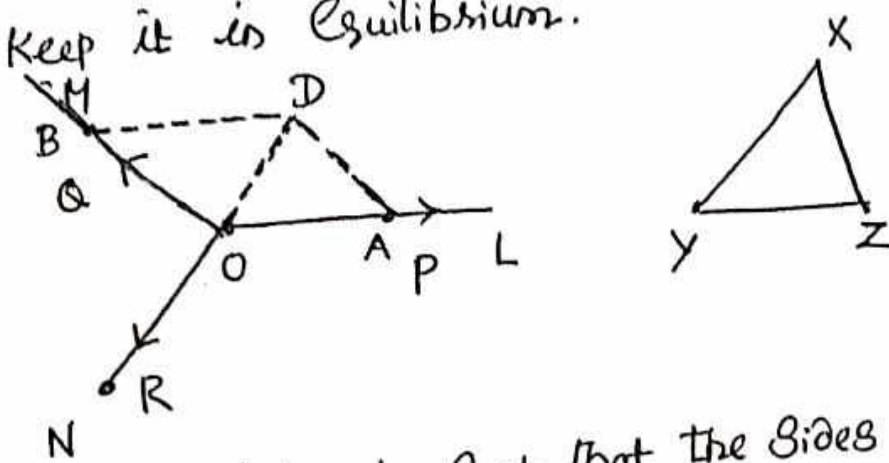
If we rotate the $\triangle ABC$ through 90° in its own Plane we get a new triangle $A'B'C'$ whose sides are parallel to the given forces and represent the forces both in magnitude and direction. Hence the triangle of forces P, Q and R is in equilibrium.

Result: The above result will be true, if the direction of the forces instead of being perpendicular to the corresponding sides make equal angles in the same sense with them.

Converse of the Triangle of Forces:

Statement: If three forces acting at a Point are in Equilibrium then any triangle drawn so as to have its Sides Parallel to the directions of the forces shall represent them in magnitude also.

Proof: Let three forces P, Q and R acting at O along the directions OL, OM and ON respectively and keep it in Equilibrium.



XYZ is a triangle such that the sides YZ, ZX and XY are Parallel to the directions of P, Q and R respectively.
T.P.T the Sides of a triangle XYZ are Proportional to the magnitudes of P, Q and R.

$$(1e) \frac{YZ}{P} = \frac{ZX}{Q} = \frac{XY}{R}$$

Given: $P + Q + R = 0$

Along OL Cut off OA to represent the magnitude of P on some Scale.

$$(i) \overline{OA} = P$$

On the same scale let $\overline{OB} = Q$

To get the resultant of P and Q.

Complete the \square AOB

$$P + Q = \overline{OA} + \overline{OB} = \overline{OD}$$

$$\text{Since } P + Q + R = 0$$

(ii) $\overline{OD} + R = 0 \Rightarrow R = \overline{DO}$ shows that the third force R is represented in magnitude on the same scale by DO and DO is a straight line. Hence the three forces P, Q and R are parallel and proportional to the sides of a $\triangle OAD$.

Now take a $\triangle XYZ$ whose sides are parallel to the directions of P, Q and R respectively it is similar to the $\triangle OAD$.

$$(i) \frac{YZ}{OA} = \frac{ZX}{AD} = \frac{XY}{DO}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{P}{OA} = \frac{Q}{OB} = \frac{R}{DO}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{YZ}{P} = \frac{ZX}{Q} = \frac{XY}{R}}$$

Hence the sides of $\triangle XYZ$ will be proportional to P, Q and R.

Polygon of Forces:

Statement: If any number of forces acting at a Point can be represented in magnitude and direction by the Sides of a Polygon taken in order, the forces will be in Equilibrium.

Proof: Let the forces $P_1, P_2 \dots P_n$ acting at O represented in magnitude and direction by the Sides $B_1 B_2, B_2 B_3 \dots B_n B_1$ of the Polygon $B_1, B_2 \dots B_n$.

T.P.T The forces will be in Equilibrium.

$$(i) P_1 + P_2 \dots + P_n = 0.$$

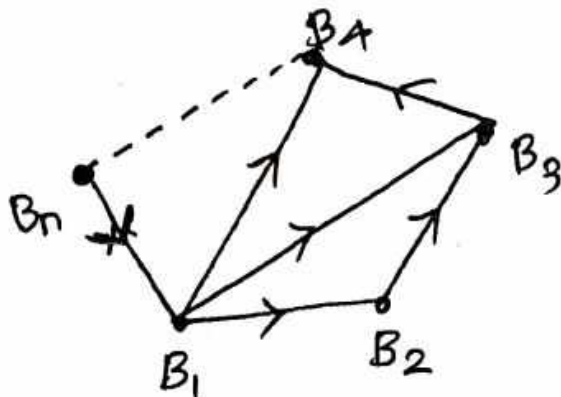
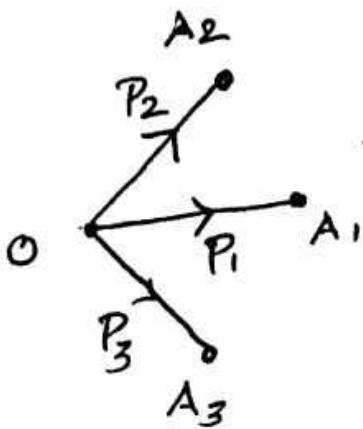
Compounding the forces by the Vector law, We get

$$P_1 + P_2 = \overline{B_1 B_2} + \overline{B_2 B_3} = \overline{B_1 B_3}$$

$$P_1 + P_2 + P_3 = \overline{B_1 B_3} + \overline{B_3 B_4} = \overline{B_1 B_4}$$

and

$$P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_{n-1} = \overline{B_1 B_{n-1}} + \overline{B_{n-1} B_n} = \overline{B_1 B_n}$$



In each of the equations above,
The resultant of the right side, of the forces named
on the left side act at the Point O.
The last force is represented by $\overline{B_n B_1}$

$$\therefore P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_{n-1} + P_n = \overline{B_1 B_n} \text{ at } O + \overline{B_n B_1} \text{ at } O$$

$$(ie) \boxed{P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_n = 0}$$

Hence the forces will be in equilibrium.

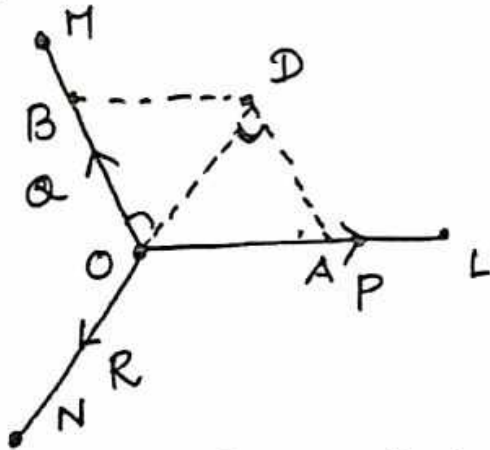
Note:

- ① The Polygon of the forces is true even when the forces acting at O are not in the same Plane.
- ② The Converse of the Polygon of Forces is not true.

Lami's Theorem:

Statement: If three forces acting at a Point are in Equilibrium, each force is Proportional to the Sine of the angle between the other two.

Proof:



Let the three forces P, Q, R acting at O along the directions OL, OM and ON respectively to keep it in equilibrium.

$$\text{T.P.T} \quad \frac{P}{\sin(\alpha, R)} = \frac{Q}{\sin(R, P)} = \frac{R}{\sin(P, \alpha)}$$

Using the Sine rule to $\triangle OAD$, we get

$$\frac{OA}{\sin \angle ODA} = \frac{AD}{\sin \angle DOA} = \frac{OD}{\sin \angle OAD} \rightarrow (i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \angle ODA &= \text{alternative angle of } \angle BOD \\ &= 180^\circ - \angle MON \end{aligned}$$

Taking Sine on both side, we get.

$$\sin \angle ODA = \sin (180^\circ - \angle MON) = \sin \angle MON \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\text{iii) } \angle DOA = 180^\circ - \angle LON$$

$$\text{(i) } \sin \angle DOA = \sin (180^\circ - \angle LON) = \sin \angle LON \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\angle OAD = 180^\circ - \angle MOL$$

$$\text{(ii) } \sin \angle OAD = \sin (180^\circ - \angle MOL) = \sin \angle MOL \rightarrow (4)$$

Substituting (2), (3) and (4) in (1), we get

$$\frac{OA}{\sin \angle MON} = \frac{AD}{\sin \angle LON} = \frac{DO}{\sin \angle MOL}$$

$$\text{(i) } \frac{P}{\sin \angle MON} = \frac{Q}{\sin \angle LON} = \frac{R}{\sin \angle MOL}$$

[\because OA, AD and DO acting of the forces P, Q and R at O]

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{P}{\sin(Q, R)} = \frac{Q}{\sin(R, P)} = \frac{R}{\sin(P, Q)}}$$

Hence the theorem is Proved.

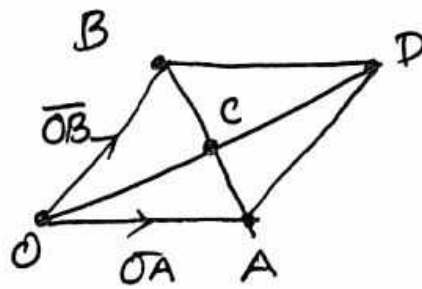
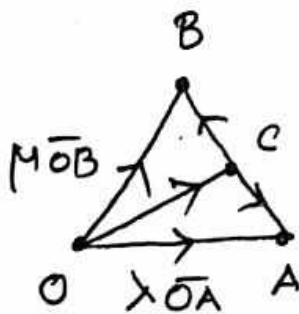
Extended Form of the Parallelogram Law of Forces

Statement: If the forces $\lambda \overline{OA}$ and $M \overline{OB}$ act at a Point O along the lines OA and OB , their resultant will be the force $(\lambda + M) \overline{OC}$ where c is the Point on AB such that $\lambda \cdot AC = M \cdot CB$.

Proof:

Let the forces represent by $\lambda \overline{OA}$ and $M \overline{OB}$ act along the lines OA and OB .

Take the Point C on $AB \Rightarrow \lambda \cdot AC = M \cdot CB$



In ΔOAC , $\overline{OA} = \overline{OC} + \overline{CA}$; Multiplying λ , we get

$$\therefore \lambda \overline{OA} = \lambda \overline{OC} + \lambda \overline{CA} \rightarrow (1)$$

In the ΔOCB $\overline{OB} = \overline{OC} + \overline{CB}$

Multiplying M , we get

$$M \overline{OB} = M \overline{OC} + M \overline{CB} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) + (2) \Rightarrow \lambda \overline{OA} + \mu \overline{OB} = (\lambda + \mu) \overline{OC} + \lambda \overline{CA} + \mu \overline{CB} \rightarrow (3)$$

Since $\lambda AC = \mu CB$

\therefore The forces $\lambda \overline{CA}$ and $\mu \overline{CB}$ are equal and opposite forces acting at C .

$$(iv) \lambda \overline{CA} + \mu \overline{CB} = 0 \rightarrow (4)$$

Substituting (4) in (3) we get,

$$\boxed{\lambda \cdot \overline{OA} + \mu \overline{OB} = (\lambda + \mu) \cdot \overline{OC}}$$

Hence the theorem is Proved.

Note:

① Take $\lambda = \mu = 1$ and C is the mid point of AB then

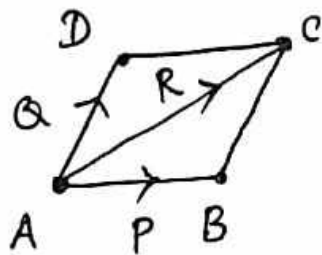
The above eqn. gives

$$\boxed{\overline{OA} + \overline{OB} = 2 \overline{OC}}$$

(iv) The resultant of two forces completely represented by \overline{OA} and \overline{OB} is $2 \overline{OC}$ where C is the mid point of AB .

② $\overline{OA} + \overline{OB} = \overline{OD}$ where C is the mid point of the diagonal OD [$\because \overline{OD} = 2 \overline{OC}$]

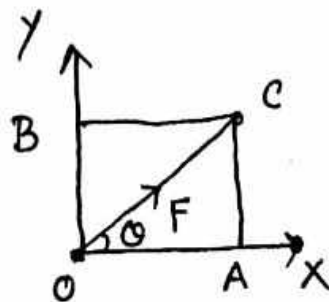
Resolution of a Force: Two forces given in magnitude and direction have only one resultant, for we can construct only one Parallelogram when two adjacent sides are given. Conversely, a single force can be resolved into two components in an infinite number of ways since any number of Parallelograms can be constructed on a given line AC as diagonal.



If BADC is any one of these, the force AC is equivalent to the two components of the forces AB and AD.

The resolution of a force occurs.

When a given force is to be resolved in two directions at right angles and one of these directions being given.



Let OC be the given force it is represented by F.

OX be a line inclined at an angle θ to OC.

Let OY is Perpendicular to OX.

Draw $CA \perp OX$ and Complete the Parallelogram OACB

\therefore The force OC is equivalent to two Component Forces OA and OB.

$$OA = OC \cos \theta \Rightarrow OA = F \cos \theta$$

$$OB = AC \Rightarrow OB = OC \sin \theta \quad [\because \text{In } \triangle OAC$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{OA}{OC}$$

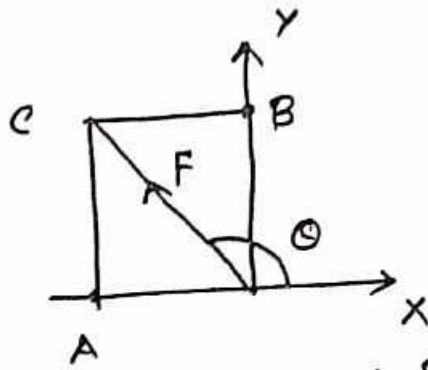
$$\sin \theta = \frac{AC}{OC}]$$

When a given force is resolved into two Components in two mutually Perpendicular directions, the Components are referred to as the resolved Parts in the corresponding directions.

OA is resolved Part of F along OX and

OB is resolved Part of F along OY [\because as shown in fig]

When θ is obtuse and OA is in a direction opposite to ox.



In this case the resolved part of F along ox is negative. (i) $OA = F \cos \theta$ is negative, as θ is obtuse.

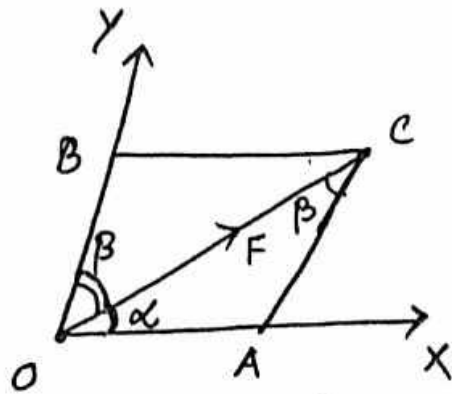
Result: (1) A force F is equivalent to a force $F \cos \theta$ along a line making an angle θ with its own direction together with a force $F \sin \theta$ perpendicular to the direction of the first component.

(2) When $\theta = 0$, $\cos \theta = 1$ \therefore Resolved Part = F
 (i) the resolved part of a force is its own direction is the force itself.

(3) When $\theta = 90^\circ$, $\cos 90^\circ = 0$ \therefore Resolved Part = 0
 (i) A force has no resolved part in a direction perpendicular to itself.

Components of a force along two given directions

Let OC be a given force F and Ox, Oy be the two lines make an angle α and β with OC .



Draw CA Parallel to Oy and CB Parallel to Ox we get a Parallelogram $OACB$.

$\therefore OA$ and OB are Components of the force OC along Ox and Oy .

From the triangle OAC

Using Lami's Theorem, we get

$$\frac{OA}{\sin \angle OCA} = \frac{AC}{\sin \angle AOC} = \frac{OC}{\sin \angle OAC}$$

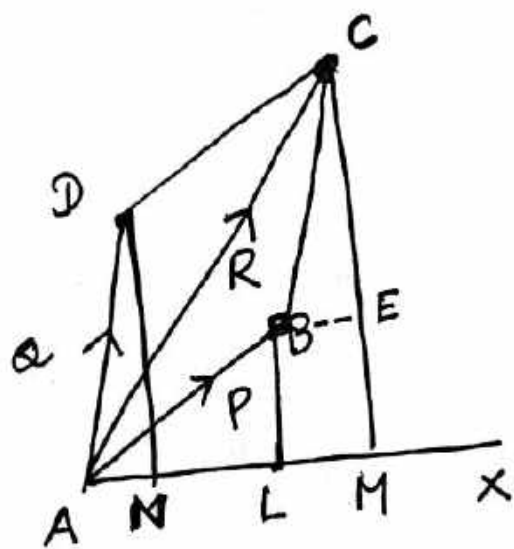
$$(i) \frac{OA}{\sin \beta} = \frac{AC}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{OC}{\sin [180^\circ - (\alpha + \beta)]}$$

$$(ii) \frac{OA}{\sin \beta} = \frac{AC}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{OC \cdot F}{\sin (\alpha + \beta)} \Rightarrow \boxed{OA = \frac{F \sin \beta}{\sin (\alpha + \beta)} ; OB = AC = \frac{F \sin \alpha}{\sin (\alpha + \beta)}}$$

Theorem on Resolved Parts:

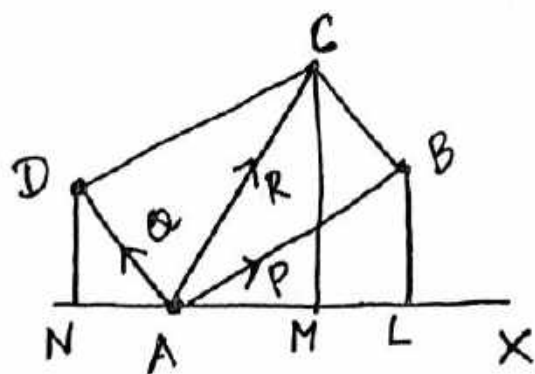
Statement: The algebraic sum of the resolved parts of two forces in any direction is equal to the resolved part of the resultant in the same direction.

Proof: Let AB and AD represent the forces P and Q and AX be the direction in which the forces are to be resolved. Complete the parallelogram $ABCD$, the resultant R is represented by AC .



Draw BL , DN and CM perpendicular to OX .
and $BE \perp$ to CM .

$\therefore AL$, AN and AM are resolved parts of the forces P , Q and R along AX .



In this fig. AD makes an obtuse angle along AX
 then the resolved Part of α is $-AN$

To Prove that $AL \pm AN = AM$

The triangles DAN and CBE are Congruent

$$\therefore AN = BE$$

$$\therefore AL \pm AN = AL \pm BE = AL \pm LM = AM$$

(ie) $AL \pm AN = AM$

Obviously,

The above theorem can be extended to the resultant
 of any number of forces acting at a Point.

Let P_1, P_2 and P_3 are three forces acting at O.

Let R_1 be the resultant of P_1 and P_2

and R_2 be the resultant of R_1 and P_3

Applying the theorem to the two sets of forces

Resultant of any number of forces acting at a Point in Graphical Method.

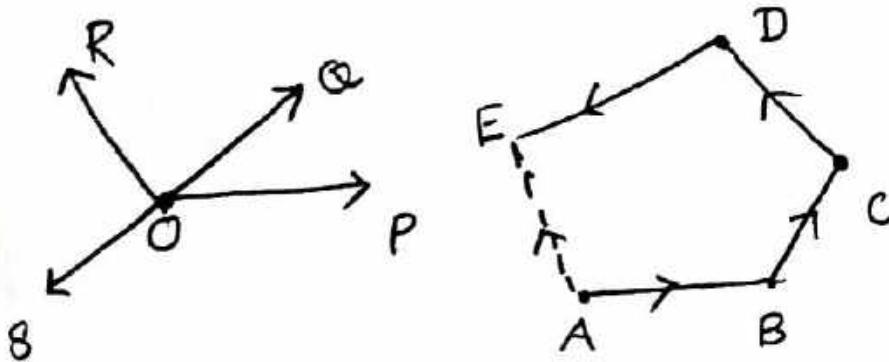
Let P, Q, R and S be the forces acting at O .
Take a Point A and draw lines AB, BC, CD and DE to represent the forces P, Q, R and S in magnitude and direction.

The forces by the vector law we get

$$P + Q = \overline{AB} + \overline{BC} = \overline{AC}$$

$$P + Q + R = \overline{AC} + \overline{CD} = \overline{AD}$$

$$P + Q + R + S = \overline{AD} + \overline{DE} = \overline{AE}$$



Hence the required resultant is represented in magnitude and direction by the line AE .

The same construction can apply for any number of forces.

The figure $ABCDE$ is called Force-Polygon.

P_1, P_2, R_1 and R_1, P_3, R_2 We get

resolved Part of R_1 along $OX =$ resolved Part of $P_1 +$
resolved Part of $P_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

and resolved Part of R_2 along $OX =$ resolved Part of $R_1 +$
resolved Part of $P_3 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

From the equations (1) & (2), We get

resolved Part of $R_2 =$ resolved Part of $P_1 +$ resolved Part
of $P_2 +$ resolved Part of P_3

and so on.

Hence the algebraic sum of the resolved Parts
of number of forces in any direction is equal
to the resolved Part of the resultant in the
same direction.

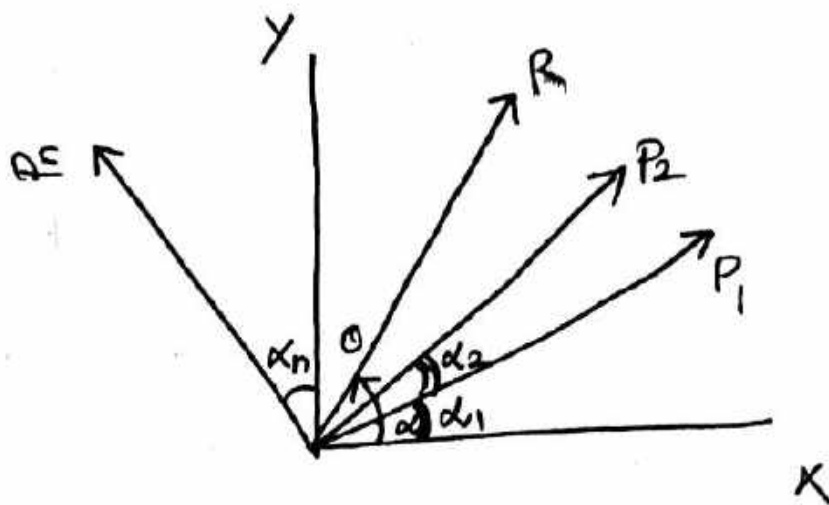
Resultant of any number of Coplanar forces acting at a point in analytical Method

Let the forces $P_1, P_2 \dots P_n$ act at O .

Through O , draw two lines Ox and Oy are at right angles to each other.

Let the lines of action of forces $P_1, P_2 \dots P_n$ make an angles $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_n$ with Ox .

Let R be the resultant inclined at an angle θ to Ox .



$\therefore R \cos \theta =$ resolved Part of the resultant along Ox
 $=$ algebraic Sum of the resolved Parts of $P_1, P_2 \dots P_n$ along Ox .

$$R \cos \theta = P_1 \cos \theta_1 + \dots + P_n \cos \theta_n = X \text{ (say)} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$R \sin \theta$ = resolved Part of the resultant along oy
= algebraic sum of the resolved Parts of
 $P_1, P_2 \dots P_n$ along oy .

$$R \sin \theta = P_1 \sin \theta_1 + P_2 \sin \theta_2 + \dots + P_n \sin \theta_n = y \text{ (say)} \rightarrow (2)$$

Squaring and adding the eqs. (1) & (2), we get

$$R^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = P_1^2 (\cos^2 \theta_1 + \sin^2 \theta_1) + \dots + P_n^2 (\cos^2 \theta_n + \sin^2 \theta_n)$$

$$R^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\therefore R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{(2)}{(1)} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x} \Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) \rightarrow (4)$$

\therefore The analytical expression for the resultant of any number of coplanar acting at a point is

$$R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} ; \tan \theta = \frac{y}{x}$$

Conditions of Equilibrium of any Number of Forces acting upon a Particle

Forces acting at a Point are in Equilibrium when their resultant is Zero.

(i) A Number of forces acting at a Point of a rigid body or a Particle is order that the body or the Particle may be at rest.

Geometrical or Graphical Conditions:

If forces acting at a Point are represented in magnitude and direction by the lines joining the successive sides of a Polygon, then for equilibrium, the Polygon must be closed.

Analytical Conditions:

W.K.T $R^2 = x^2 + y^2$

Since the forces are in equilibrium

$$(ii) R=0 \Rightarrow \boxed{x^2 + y^2 = 0}$$

The sum of the squares of two real

Quantity cannot be zero unless each quantity is separately zero.

$$\therefore \boxed{x=0 \text{ and } y=0}$$

Hence if any number of forces acting at a point are in equilibrium, the algebraic sums of the resolved parts of the forces in any two perpendicular directions must be zero separately.

Problems:

(1) The resultant of two forces P, Q acting at a certain angle is x and that of P, R acting at the same angle is also x . The resultant of Q, R again acting at the same angle is y . Prove that

$$P = (x^2 + QR)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{QR(Q+R)}{Q^2 + R^2 - y^2}$$

Prove also that, if $P+Q+R=0$, $y=x$.

Soln: Let P and Q act at an angle α

Given: The resultant of two forces P, Q acting at a certain angle is x and that P, R acting at the same angle is x , Q, R acting at the same angle is y

$$(i) \quad x^2 = P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \cos \alpha \rightarrow (1)$$

$$x^2 = P^2 + R^2 + 2PR \cos \alpha \rightarrow (2)$$

$$y^2 = Q^2 + R^2 + 2QR \cos \alpha \rightarrow (3)$$

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow 0 = Q^2 - R^2 + 2P(Q-R) \cos \alpha$$

$$0 = (Q-R)(Q+R) + 2P(Q-R) \cos \alpha$$

$$0 = (Q-R) [Q+R+2P \cos \alpha]$$

But $Q \neq R$ So $Q - R \neq 0$

$$\therefore Q + R + 2P \cos \alpha = 0$$

$$(ii) \cos \alpha = -\frac{Q+R}{2P} \rightarrow (4)$$

Now Substituting (4) in (i) we get

$$\begin{aligned} X^2 &= P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \left[-\frac{(Q+R)}{2P} \right] \\ &= P^2 + Q^2 - Q^2 - QR = P^2 - QR \end{aligned}$$

$$(i) X^2 + QR = P^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{P = (X^2 + QR)^{1/2}}$$

Subst. (4) in (3) we get

$$\begin{aligned} Y^2 &= Q^2 + R^2 + 2QR \left[-\frac{(Q+R)}{2P} \right] \\ &= Q^2 + R^2 - \frac{QR(Q+R)}{P} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{QR(Q+R)}{P} = Q^2 + R^2 - Y^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{P = \frac{QR(Q+R)}{Q^2 + R^2 - Y^2}}$$

If $P+Q+R=0$ then $Q+R=-P$ (2)

Put $Q+R=-P$ in eqn. (4) we get

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{P}{2P} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now substitute $\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ in eqn. (2) & (3), we get

$$x^2 = P^2 + R^2 + PR \rightarrow (5)$$

$$y^2 = Q^2 + R^2 + QR \rightarrow (6)$$

$$(5) - (6) \Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = P^2 - Q^2 + PR - QR$$

$$= (P-Q)(P+Q) + R(P-Q)$$

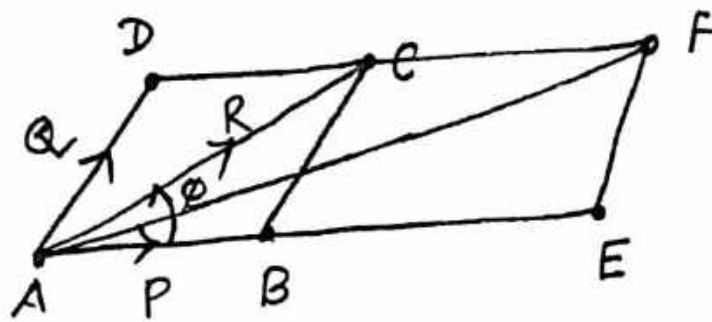
$$= (P-Q)[P+Q+R]$$

$$= (P-Q) \cdot 0 \quad [\because P+Q+R=0]$$

$$\therefore x^2 - y^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = y^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{x=y}$$

② If the resultant R of two forces P and Q inclined to one another at any given angle makes an angle ϕ with the direction of P . Show that the resultant of forces $(P+R)$ and Q acting at the same angle will make an angle $\phi/2$ with the direction of $P+R$.

Soln. Let $\overline{AB} = P$ and $\overline{AD} = Q$



From a Parallelogram ABCD

$$\overline{AB} \neq \overline{AD} = \overline{AC} = R$$

To mark the force $P+R$ Produce AB to E

So that $BE = AC$

In the ||gm DAEF

AF gives the new resultant

In ΔCAF

$CA = CF$ (each representing R in magnitude)

$$\therefore \angle CAF = \angle CFA$$

$$= \angle FAE \quad [\because \text{alternate angles are equal}]$$

(ix) AF bisects $\angle CAB$.

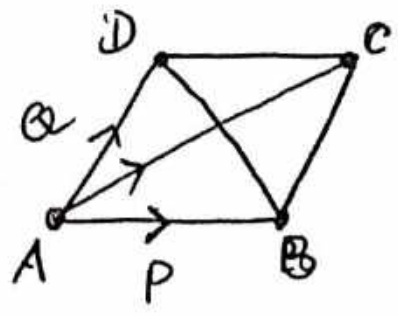
Hence the resultant of forces $(P+R)$ and Q acting at the same angle will make an angle $\phi/2$ with the direction of $P+R$

③ Two forces act on a Particle. If the sum and difference of the forces are at right angles to each other, show that the forces are of equal magnitude.

Sol: Let the forces P and Q acting at A be represented in magnitude and direction by the lines AB and AD . Complete the Parallelogram BAD .

Then $P+Q = \overline{AB} + \overline{AD} = \overline{AC}$ [Parallelogram Law]

$\therefore \overline{AC}$ is the sum of the two forces.



$$P - Q = \overline{AB} - \overline{AD}$$

$$= \overline{AB} + \overline{DA} = \overline{DA} + \overline{AB} = \overline{DB}$$

$$P - Q = \overline{DB} \text{ (by triangle Law)}$$

$\therefore \overline{DB}$ is the difference of two forces.

Given : \overline{AC} and \overline{DB} are at right angles.

(i) In Parallelogram ~~ABCD~~ $ABCD$, the diagonals AC and BD cut at right angles.

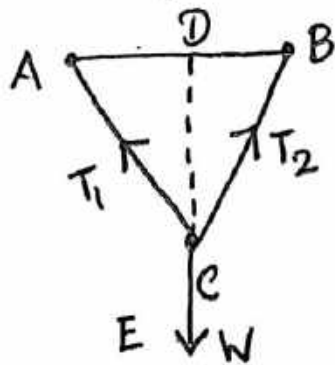
$\therefore ABCD$ is a rhombus.

$$(ii) AB = AD \Rightarrow \boxed{P = Q}$$

Hence the sum and difference of the forces are at right angles to each other then the forces are of equal magnitude.

④ A and B are two fixed points on a horizontal line at a distance c apart. Two fine light strings AC and BC of lengths b and a respectively support a mass at C. Show that the tensions of the strings are in the ratio $b(a^2 + c^2 - b^2) : a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)$

Sol. Let T_1 and T_2 be the tensions along the strings CA and CB and W be the weight of the mass at C acting vertically downwards along CE.



Produce CE to meet AB at D.

Since C is at rest under the action of the three forces

By Lami's Theorem

$$\frac{T_1}{\sin \angle ECB} = \frac{T_2}{\sin \angle ECA} \rightarrow \text{①}$$

[∵ If the three forces acting at a point are in equilibrium, each force is proportional to the sine of the angle between the other two]

Now.

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \angle ECB &= \sin (180^\circ - \angle DCB) = \sin \angle DCB \\ &= \sin (90^\circ - \angle ABC) = \cos \angle ABC\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Similarly } \sin \angle ECA &= \sin (180^\circ - \angle ACD) \\ &= \sin \angle ACD \\ &= \sin (90^\circ - \angle BAC) = \cos \angle BAC.\end{aligned}$$

\therefore Eqn. (1) gives

$$\frac{T_1}{\cos \angle ABC} = \frac{T_2}{\cos \angle BAC} \Rightarrow \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{\cos \angle ABC}{\cos \angle BAC} = \frac{\cos B}{\cos A} \rightarrow (2)$$

In $\triangle ABC$ w.k.T

$$\cos B = \frac{c^2 + a^2 - b^2}{2ca} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

Subst. $\cos A$ and $\cos B$ in eqn. (2) We get

$$\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{c^2 + a^2 - b^2}{2ca} \cdot \frac{2bc}{b^2 + c^2 - a^2} = \frac{b(c^2 + a^2 - b^2)}{a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)}$$

$$(i) \quad \boxed{b(a^2 + c^2 - b^2) = a(b^2 + c^2 - a^2)}$$

Hence it is Proved.

(5) ABC is a given triangle. Forces P, Q, R acting along the lines OA, OB, OC are in equilibrium. Prove that

(i) $P:Q:R = a^2(b^2+c^2-a^2) : b^2(c^2+a^2-b^2) : c^2(a^2+b^2-c^2)$ if O is the Circumcentre of the triangle.

(ii) $P:Q:R = \cos \frac{A}{2} : \cos \frac{B}{2} : \cos \frac{C}{2}$ if O is the incentre of the triangle.

(iii) $P:Q:R = a:b:c$ if O is the ortho centre of the triangle

(iv) $P:Q:R = OA:OB:OC$ if O is the Centroid of the triangle.

Sol.

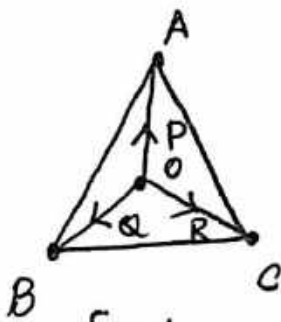


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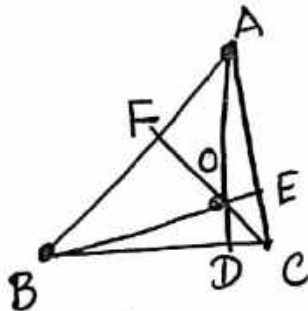


fig 2

By Lami's Theorem, W.K.T

$$\frac{P}{\sin \angle BOC} = \frac{Q}{\sin \angle COA} = \frac{R}{\sin \angle AOB} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

(i) Given: O is the Circumcentre of ΔABC

$$\angle BOC = 2\angle BAC ; \angle COA = 2\angle ABC ; \angle AOB = 2\angle BCA$$

$$(ii) \angle BOA = 2A ; \angle COA = 2B ; \angle AOB = 2C$$

$$(i) \Rightarrow \frac{P}{\sin 2A} = \frac{Q}{\sin 2B} = \frac{R}{\sin 2C}$$

$$(i) \frac{P}{2\sin A \cos A} = \frac{Q}{2\sin B \cos B} = \frac{R}{2\sin C \cos C} \rightarrow (2)$$

But $\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$ and $\sin A = \frac{2\Delta}{bc}$ where Δ is the area.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore 2\sin A \cos A &= 2 \cdot \frac{2\Delta}{bc} \cdot \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc} \\ &= \frac{2\Delta (b^2 + c^2 - a^2)}{b^2 c^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$||| \text{y } 2\sin B \cos B = \frac{2\Delta (c^2 + a^2 - b^2)}{c^2 a^2} \text{ and}$$

$$2\sin C \cos C = \frac{2\Delta (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}{a^2 b^2}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \frac{P b^2 c^2}{2\Delta (b^2 + c^2 - a^2)} = \frac{Q c^2 a^2}{2\Delta (c^2 + a^2 - b^2)} = \frac{R a^2 b^2}{2\Delta (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}$$

Multiplying by $\frac{2\Delta}{a^2 b^2 c^2}$, we get

$$\boxed{\frac{P}{a^2 (b^2 + c^2 - a^2)} = \frac{Q}{b^2 (c^2 + a^2 - b^2)} = \frac{R}{c^2 (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)}}$$

Hence Condition (i) is Proved.

(ii) Given: O is the in-centre of the triangle.
 OB and OC are the bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$.

$$\therefore \angle BOC = 180^\circ - B/2 - C/2 = 180^\circ - \left(\frac{B}{2} + \frac{C}{2}\right)$$

$$= 180^\circ - \left(90^\circ - \frac{A}{2}\right) = 90^\circ + \frac{A}{2}$$

Similarly $\angle COA = 90^\circ + B/2$ and $\angle AOB = 90^\circ + C/2$

esp (i) $\Rightarrow \frac{P}{\sin(90^\circ + \frac{A}{2})} = \frac{Q}{\sin(90^\circ + \frac{B}{2})} = \frac{R}{\sin(90^\circ + \frac{C}{2})}$

(ii) $\frac{P}{\cos A/2} = \frac{Q}{\cos B/2} = \frac{R}{\cos C/2}$

Hence Condition (ii) is Proved.

(iii) Given: O is the Ortho Centre of the triangle.

In fig 2 AD, BE, CF are the altitudes.

Quadrilateral AFOE is cyclic.

Since $\angle AFO + \angle AEO = 90^\circ + 90^\circ = 180^\circ$

$\therefore \angle FOE + A = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \angle FOE = 180^\circ - A$

$\angle BOC =$ Vertically opposite $\angle FOE$

$\angle BOC = 180^\circ - A$

$$\text{iii) } \angle COA = 180^\circ - B \text{ and } \angle AOB = 180^\circ - C$$

Hence eqn. (i) gives.

$$\frac{P}{\sin(180^\circ - A)} = \frac{Q}{\sin(180^\circ - B)} = \frac{R}{\sin(180^\circ - C)}$$

$$(i) \frac{P}{\sin A} = \frac{Q}{\sin B} = \frac{R}{\sin C}$$

$$(ii) \frac{P}{a} = \frac{Q}{b} = \frac{R}{c} \left[\because \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} \right]$$

Hence $P : Q : R = a : b : c$

\therefore The Condition (iii) is Proved.

(iv) Given: O is the Centroid of the triangle.

W.K.T $\Delta BOC = \Delta COA = \Delta AOB$ and each is

equal to $\frac{1}{3} \Delta ABC$

$$\Delta BOC = \frac{1}{2} \cdot OB \cdot OC \cdot \sin \angle BOC = \frac{1}{3} \Delta ABC$$

$$\therefore \sin \angle BOC = \frac{2 \Delta ABC}{3 \cdot OB \cdot OC}$$

$$\text{iii) } \sin \angle COA = \frac{2 \Delta ABC}{3 \cdot OC \cdot OA} \text{ and } \sin \angle AOB = \frac{2 \Delta ABC}{3 \cdot OA \cdot OB}$$

\therefore Eqn. (i) gives

$$\frac{P \cdot 3 O B O C}{2 \Delta A B C} = \frac{Q \cdot 3 O C \cdot O A}{2 \Delta A B C} = \frac{R \cdot 3 O A O B}{2 \Delta A B C}$$

(iv) $P O B O C = Q O C O A = R O A O B$

∴ by $O A \cdot O B \cdot O C$ we get

$$\boxed{\frac{P}{O A} = \frac{Q}{O B} = \frac{R}{O C}}$$

Hence Condition (iv) is Proved.

⑥ Weights W, w, W are attached to Points B, C, D respectively of a light string $A E$, where B, C, D divide the string into 4 equal lengths. If the string hangs in the form of 4 consecutive sides of a regular octagon with the ends A and E attached to points on the same level
 Prove that $W = (\sqrt{2} + 1) w$

Solo!

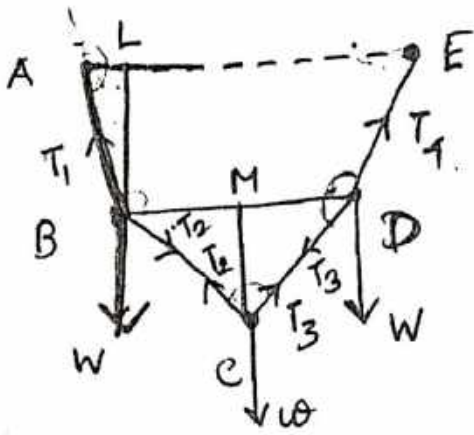
Let $A B C D E$ is a part of a regular octagon.

W.K.T each angle of a regular polygon of n sides

$$= \left(\frac{2n-4}{n} \right) \times 90^\circ$$

$$= \left(\frac{2 \cdot 8 - 4}{8} \right) \times 90^\circ \quad [\because n = 8]$$

$$= \frac{12}{8} \times 90^\circ = 135^\circ$$



Let the tensions in the Portions AB, BC, CD, DE be

T_1, T_2, T_3 and T_4 respectively.

The string BC pulls B towards C and pulls C towards B, the tension being the same throughout its length.

In $\triangle BCD$ $\angle BCD = 135^\circ$

$$\therefore \angle CBD = \angle CDB = 45^\circ = 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle ABD = \angle ABC - \angle CBD = 135^\circ - 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = 112\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

W.K.T every regular Polygon is cyclic.

\therefore A, B, C, D and E lie on the same Circle.

$$\angle EAB = 180^\circ - \angle BDE = 180^\circ - \{\angle CDE - \angle BDC\}$$

$$= 180^\circ - \{135^\circ - 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ\} = 180^\circ - 135^\circ + 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = 45^\circ + 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

$$\angle EAB = 67\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle EAB + \angle ABD = 67\frac{1}{2}^\circ + 112\frac{1}{2}^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$\therefore AE \parallel BD$ and BD is horizontal.

Let the vertical line through B meet AE at L
 and the vertical line through C meet BD at M .

Using Lami's Theorem for the three forces at B , we get

$$\frac{W}{\sin \angle ABC} = \frac{T_2}{\sin(180^\circ - \angle ABL)}$$

$$\frac{W}{\sin \angle ABC} = \frac{T_2}{\sin(180^\circ - 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ)}$$

[$\because \triangle ABL$
 $\angle A = 67\frac{1}{2}^\circ$; $\angle L = 90^\circ$
 $\angle B = 90^\circ - 67\frac{1}{2}^\circ = 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$]

$$\frac{W}{\sin 135^\circ} = \frac{T_2}{\sin 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{W \sin 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}{\sin 35^\circ} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Using Lami's Theorem for three forces at C , we get

$$\frac{W}{\sin \angle BCD} = \frac{T_2}{\sin(180^\circ - \angle MCD)}$$

[\because In $\triangle MCD$
 $\angle M = 90^\circ$; $\angle D = 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$
 $\angle C = 90^\circ - 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$]

$$\frac{W}{\sin \angle BCD} = \frac{T_2}{\sin(90^\circ - 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ)}$$

$$\frac{W}{\sin 135^\circ} = \frac{T_2}{\cos 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}$$

$$(ie) \quad T_2 = \frac{W \cos 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ}{\sin 35^\circ} \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1) & (2), We get

$$\frac{W}{\sin 135^\circ} \sin 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = \frac{W}{\sin 135^\circ} \cos 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ$$

$$\frac{W}{W} = \tan 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\therefore W = \frac{W}{\sqrt{2}-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{W(\sqrt{2}+1)}{(\sqrt{2})^2 - 1}$$

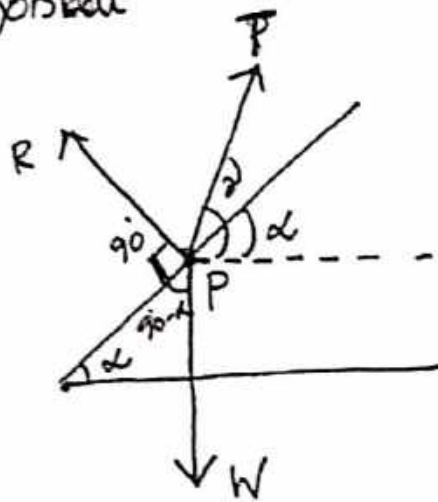
Hence
$$W = W(\sqrt{2}+1)$$

(9)
 ⑦ A Weight is Supported on a Smooth Plane of inclination α by a string inclined to the horizon at an angle β . If the slope of the Plane be increased to β and the slope of the string unaltered, the tension of the string is doubled. Prove that $\cot \alpha - 2 \cot \beta = \tan \alpha$

Solution: Let P is the Position of the Weight.

The forces acting at P are

- (i) its Weight W downwards
- (ii) the Normal reaction R Perpendicular to inclined Plane
- (iii) The tension T along the string at an angle β to the horizontal



Using Lami's theorem. for the three forces acting at P.

$$\frac{T}{\sin(180^\circ - \alpha)} = \frac{W}{\sin[90^\circ - (\beta - \alpha)]}$$

$$\frac{T}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{W}{\cos(\beta - \alpha)} \Rightarrow T = \frac{W \sin \alpha}{\cos(\beta - \alpha)} \rightarrow (1)$$

In the second case the inclination of the Plane is β
 There is no change in α and T_1 is the string, we get

$$T_1 = \frac{W \sin \beta}{\cos(\alpha - \beta)} \rightarrow (2)$$

Since $T_1 = 2T$

$$(1) \frac{W \sin \beta}{\cos(\alpha - \beta)} = 2 \cdot \frac{W \sin \alpha}{\cos(\alpha - \alpha)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \beta \cdot \cos(\alpha - \alpha) = 2 \sin \alpha \cos(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \beta [\cos \alpha \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \sin \alpha] = 2 \sin \alpha [\cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \beta \cos \alpha \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha \cdot \sin \beta \sin \alpha = 2 \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha \cos \beta + 2 \sin \alpha \sin \beta \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \beta \cdot \cos \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha = 2 \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \alpha \cdot \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \cdot \sin \beta \sin \alpha$$

$$= \sin \alpha [2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \beta \sin \alpha]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos \alpha}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{2 \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \beta \sin \alpha}{\sin \beta \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot \alpha = 2 \cot \beta + \tan \alpha$$

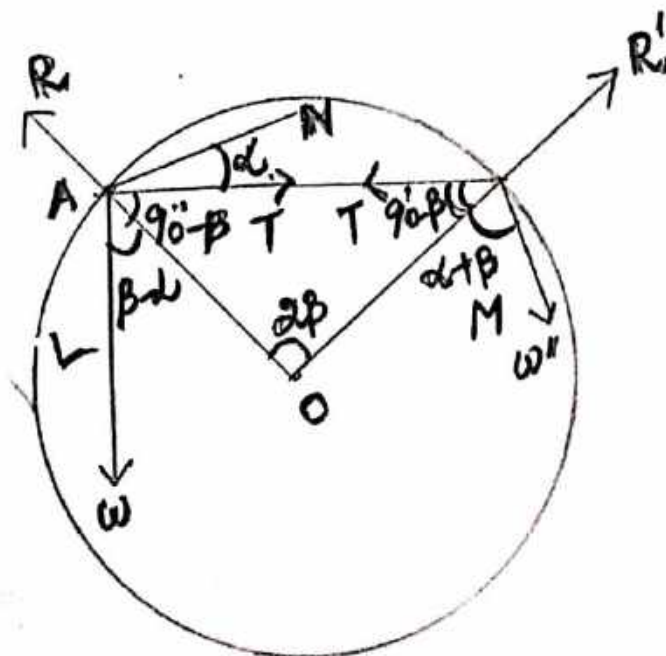
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\tan \alpha = \cot \alpha - 2 \cot \beta}$$

Hence the result is Proved.

⑧ Two beads of weights w and w' can slide on a smooth circular wire in a vertical plane. They are connected by a light string which subtends an angle 2β at the centre of the circle when the beads are in equilibrium on the upper half of the wire. Prove that the inclination of the string to the horizontal is $\tan \alpha = \frac{w-w'}{w+w'} \tan \beta$

Sol: Let A and B be the beads of weights w and w' connected by a light string and sliding on a circular wire.

In equilibrium position, $\angle AOB = 2\beta$, O being the centre of the circle.



$$\therefore \angle OAB = \angle OBA = 90^\circ - \beta \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Let AB make an angle α with the horizontal AN.
AL and BM are the vertical lines through A and B

$$\begin{aligned}\angle OAL &= 90^\circ - \angle OAN \\ &= 90^\circ - [\angle OAB + \angle NAB] \\ &= 90^\circ - [90^\circ - \beta + \alpha] = \beta - \alpha\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \angle OAL = \beta - \alpha \rightarrow (2)$$

Since $AL \parallel BM$, $\angle ABM + \angle BAL = 180^\circ$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \angle ABM &= 180^\circ - \angle BAL = 180^\circ - (90^\circ - \beta + \beta - \alpha) \\ &= 180^\circ - (90^\circ - \alpha)\end{aligned}$$

$$\angle ABM = 90^\circ + \alpha \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \angle OBM &= \angle ABM - \angle ABO \\ &= 90^\circ + \alpha - (90^\circ - \beta) \quad [\because \text{Using (1) \& (3)}]\end{aligned}$$

$$\angle OBM = \alpha + \beta \rightarrow (4)$$

The forces acting on the bead W at A are

- (i) Weight w acting vertically downward along AL.
- (ii) Normal reaction R due to contact with the wire along the radius OA outwards.
- (iii) tension T in the string along AB.

iii) The forces acting on the bead w' at B are (11)

- (i) Weight w' acting vertically downward along BM.
- (ii) Normal reaction R' along the radius OB outwards.
- (iii) Tension T in the string along BA.

Using Lami's theorem for the three forces acting at A,

$$\frac{w}{\sin [180^\circ - (90 - \beta)]} = \frac{T}{\sin [180^\circ - (\beta - \alpha)]}$$

$$(i) \frac{w}{\sin (90 - \beta)} = \frac{T}{\sin (\beta - \alpha)} \Rightarrow \frac{w}{\cos \beta} = \frac{T}{\sin (\beta - \alpha)} \rightarrow (1)$$

iii) For the three forces at B

$$\frac{w'}{\sin [180^\circ - (90 - \beta)]} = \frac{T}{\sin [180^\circ - (\beta + \alpha)]}$$

$$(ii) \frac{w'}{\cos \beta} = \frac{T}{\sin (\beta + \alpha)} \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1) & (2) we get

$$\frac{w'}{w} = \frac{\sin (\beta - \alpha)}{\sin (\beta + \alpha)}$$

$$\frac{w' + w}{w - w'} = \frac{\sin (\beta - \alpha) + \sin (\beta + \alpha)}{\sin (\beta + \alpha) - \sin (\beta - \alpha)} = \frac{2 \cos \beta \sin \alpha}{2 \sin \alpha \cos \beta}$$

$$[\because \sin (A+B) + \sin (A-B) = 2 \cos A \sin B \\ \sin (A+B) - \sin (A-B) = 2 \sin A \cos B]$$

$$\frac{\omega' + \omega}{\omega - \omega'} = \frac{\cos \alpha \sin \beta}{\sin \alpha \cos \beta} = \frac{\tan \beta}{\tan \alpha}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\tan \alpha = \left[\frac{\omega - \omega'}{\omega + \omega'} \right] \cdot \tan \beta}$$

Hence the result is Proved.

⑨ ABC is a triangle. G is its Centroid and P is any Point in the Plane of the triangle. Show that the resultant of forces represented by \vec{PA} , \vec{PB} , \vec{PC} is $3\vec{PG}$ and find the Position of P, if the three forces are in equilibrium.

Soln! Let A' be the mid Point of BC.

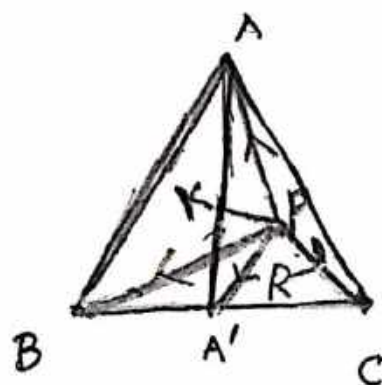
Then $\vec{PB} + \vec{PC} = 2\vec{PA'}$ [\because In $\Delta OAB = \vec{OA} + \vec{OB} = 2\vec{OC}$
Where C is the mid Pt. of AB]

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \vec{PA} + \vec{PB} + \vec{PC} &= \vec{PA} + 2\vec{PA'} \\ &= 1 \cdot \vec{PA} + 2 \cdot \vec{PA'} \\ &= (1+2) \vec{PK} \rightarrow (i) \end{aligned}$$

Where K is the Point on AA' \exists

$1 \cdot AK = 2KA'$ [\because Using extended form of \parallel^{th} Law of forces]

$$(i) \frac{AK}{KA'} = \frac{2}{1}$$



(i) K divides the median AA' in the ratio $2:1$

\therefore K is same as the Centroid of the triangle.

$$(i) \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{PA} + \vec{PB} + \vec{PC} = 3 \vec{PG}_1} \rightarrow (2)$$

Hence the condition is Proved.

Since the three forces are in equilibrium.

(ii) $\vec{PA} + \vec{PB} + \vec{PC} = 0$ in (2), we get

$$\vec{PG}_1 = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \boxed{PG_1 = 0}$$

(ii) P must be taken at the Centroid G_1 of

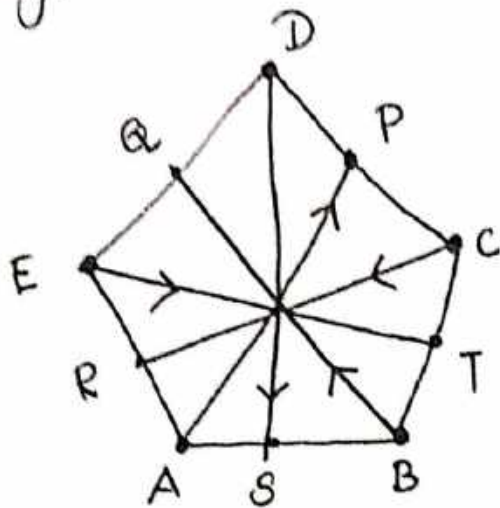
The triangle.

Note: If G is a Centroid of a ΔABC forces are G_A, G_B, G_C respectively it is an equilibrium

$$\text{Then } \vec{G_A} + \vec{G_B} + \vec{G_C} = \vec{0}$$

18) Five forces acting at a Point are represented in magnitude and direction by the lines joining the Vertices of any Pentagon to the midpoints of their opposite Sides. Show that they are in equilibrium.

Sol: Let ABCDE is a Pentagon and P, Q, R, S and T are mid Points of the Sides CD, DE, EA, AB and BC respectively.



T.P.T the five forces will be in equilibrium.

$$(i) \vec{AP} + \vec{BQ} + \vec{CR} + \vec{DS} + \vec{ET} = \vec{0}$$

W.K.T In $\Delta OAB \Rightarrow \vec{OA} + \vec{OB} = 2\vec{OC}$ where C is the mid Point of AB.

$$(ii) \vec{AD} + \vec{AC} = 2\vec{AP} \Rightarrow \vec{AP} = \frac{1}{2} [\vec{AD} + \vec{AC}] \rightarrow (1)$$

$$(iii) \vec{BQ} = \frac{1}{2} [\vec{BD} + \vec{BE}] \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\overline{CR} = \frac{1}{2} [\overline{CE} + \overline{CA}] \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\overline{DS} = \frac{1}{2} [\overline{DA} + \overline{DB}] \rightarrow (4)$$

and $\overline{ET} = \frac{1}{2} [\overline{EB} + \overline{EC}] \rightarrow (5)$

Adding these eqns. from (1) to (5) we get

$$\overline{AP} + \overline{BQ} + \overline{CR} + \overline{DS} + \overline{ET} = \frac{1}{2} [\overline{AD} + \overline{AC} + \overline{BD} + \overline{BE} + \overline{CE} + \overline{CA} + \overline{DA} + \overline{DB} + \overline{EB} + \overline{EC}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \overline{0} \quad [\because \text{the vectors are equal and opposite}]$$

$$= \overline{0}$$

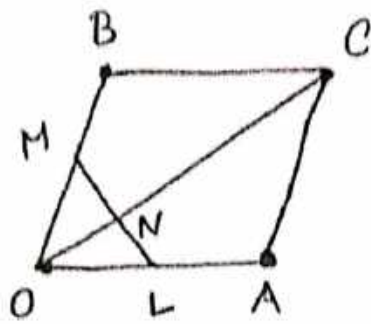
Hence $\boxed{\overline{AP} + \overline{BQ} + \overline{CR} + \overline{DS} + \overline{ET} = \overline{0}}$

(ii) OA, OB, OC are the lines of action of two forces P and Q and their resultant R respectively. Any transversal meets the lines in L, M and N respectively

Prove that $\frac{P}{OL} + \frac{Q}{OM} = \frac{R}{ON}$

Soln! Let $\overline{OA} = P$ and $\overline{OB} = Q$

Complete the Parallelogram AOB. $\overline{OC} = R$



Let $\frac{OA}{OL} = \lambda$ and $\frac{OB}{OM} = \mu$

$\therefore OA = \lambda OL$ and $OB = \mu OM$

(i) $\vec{OA} + \vec{OB} = \lambda \vec{OL} + \mu \vec{OM}$

$\vec{OA} + \vec{OB} = (\lambda + \mu) \vec{OK} \rightarrow$ (1) where K is the mid point

of LM.

W.K.T $\vec{OA} + \vec{OB} = \vec{OC} \rightarrow$ (2)

From (1) & (2)

$(\lambda + \mu) \vec{OK}$ and \vec{OC} must be the same.

(ii) K is a point on OC.

\therefore K is a intersection of OC and LM it is same as N.

$(\lambda + \mu) \vec{OK} = \vec{OC}$

(i) $(\lambda + \mu) ON = OC \Rightarrow \lambda + \mu = \frac{OC}{ON}$

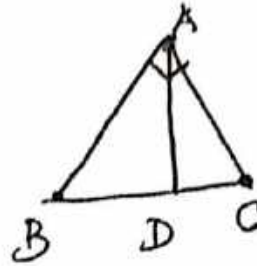
$\therefore \frac{OA}{OL} + \frac{OB}{OM} = \frac{OC}{ON} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{P}{OL} + \frac{Q}{OM} = \frac{R}{ON}}$

Hence the condition is Proved.

(12) ABC is a triangle, with a right angle at A: AD⁽¹⁴⁾ is the perpendicular on BC. Prove that the resultant of the forces $\frac{1}{AB}$ acting along AB and $\frac{1}{AC}$ acting along AC is $\frac{1}{AD}$ acting along AD.

Sol.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{W.K.T } AB^2 &= BC \cdot BD \\ AC^2 &= BC \cdot CD \\ AD^2 &= BD \cdot DC \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$



The forces $\frac{1}{AB}$ acting along AB and $\frac{1}{AC}$ acting along

AC. It is considered as the forces $\frac{1}{AB^2} \cdot AB$ acting along AB and $\frac{1}{AC^2} \cdot AC$ acting along AC.

$$\text{Let } \lambda = \frac{1}{AB^2} \text{ and } \mu = \frac{1}{AC^2}$$

$$(i) \lambda AB^2 = \mu AC^2$$

$$\lambda [BC \cdot BD] = \mu [BC \cdot CD] \quad [\because \text{using eqnt. (i)}]$$

$$\boxed{\lambda BD = \mu CD}$$

Hence the resultant of forces $\lambda \overline{AB}$ and $\mu \overline{AC}$ is $(\lambda + \mu) \cdot \overline{AD}$

(ii) The resultant of forces $\frac{1}{AB}$ along AB and $\frac{1}{AC}$ along AC is the force $(\lambda + \mu) AD$ acting along AD.

Magnitude of the resultant

$$= (\lambda + \mu) AD$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{AB^2} + \frac{1}{AC^2} \right) AD$$

$$= \left[\frac{AC^2 + AB^2}{AB^2 \cdot AC^2} \right] \cdot AD$$

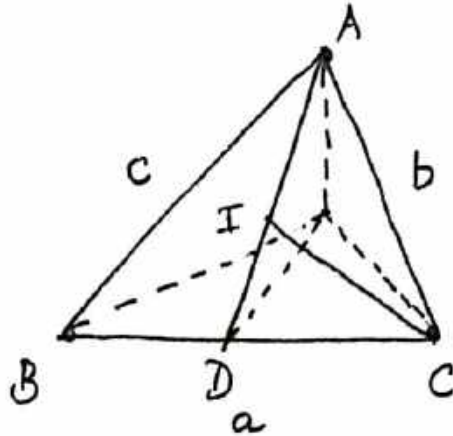
$$= \frac{BC^2}{AB^2 \cdot AC^2} \cdot AD = \frac{BC^2}{BC \cdot BD \cdot BC \cdot CD} \cdot AD \quad [\text{Using eqn. (i)}]$$

$$= \frac{AD}{BD \cdot CD} = \frac{1}{AD^2} \cdot AD = \frac{1}{AD}$$

Hence the forces $\frac{1}{AB}$ acting along AB and $\frac{1}{AC}$ acting along AC is $\frac{1}{AD}$ acting along AD.

(13) P is a Point in the Plane of the triangle ABC⁽¹⁵⁾
 and I is the incentre. Show that the resultant
 of forces represented by $PA \sin A$, $PB \sin B$ and $PC \sin C$
 is $4PI \cdot \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2}$

Soln.



Let AD be the internal bisector of $\angle A$ and
 I is the incentre.

W.K.T $\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{\sin B}$

$\therefore BD \sin B = DC \sin C \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$ [$\because \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$]
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sin C}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{b}$

Also,

BI bisects $\angle B$

(i) $\frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{AB}{BD}$

CI bisects $\angle C$

(ii) $\frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{AC}{CD}$

$$\therefore \frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{AB}{BD} = \frac{AC}{CD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{AB+AC}{BD+CD} = \frac{AB+AC}{bc} = \frac{c+b}{a} = \frac{\sin B + \sin C}{\sin A}$$

$$AI \sin A = (\sin B + \sin C) \cdot ID \quad \left[\frac{c}{a} = \frac{\sin C}{\sin A} ; \frac{b}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \right]$$

Now

$$\overline{PB} \sin B + \overline{PC} \sin C = (\sin B + \sin C) \cdot \overline{PD} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\therefore \overline{PA} \sin A + \overline{PB} \sin B + \overline{PC} \sin C = \overline{PA} \sin A + (\sin B + \sin C) \cdot \overline{PD}$$

(Using eqn. (3))

$$= [\sin A + \sin B + \sin C] \overline{PI} \rightarrow (4)$$

W.K.T

$$\sin A + \sin B + \sin C = 4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2} \rightarrow (5)$$

Substituting the eqn. (5) in (4) we get

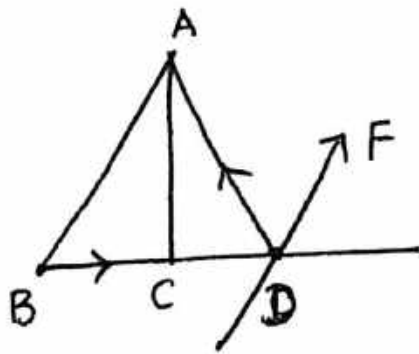
The resultant is

$$4 \cos \frac{A}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{B}{2} \cdot \cos \frac{C}{2} \cdot \overline{PI}$$

Hence the condition is proved.

⑭ Show that a given force may be resolved into three components acting in three given lines which are not all parallel or all concurrent. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Sol. Let the three lines form a $\triangle ABC$ and let the given force F meet the side BC in D .
 $\therefore F$ can be resolved into two components acting along BC and DA respectively.



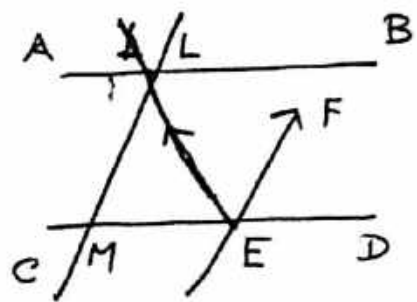
The component along DA can be resolved into two components along AB and AC respectively.

Suppose two lines AB and CD are parallel and

LM is the third line.

Let the given force F meet CD at E .

F can be resolved into two components along CD and EL



The component along EL can be resolved into two components along BA and ML respectively

Hence it is proved.

(15) ABCD is a quadrilateral and forces acting at a point are represented in direction and magnitude by \overline{BA} , \overline{BC} , \overline{CD} and \overline{DA} . Find their resultant.

Soln!

$$\text{W.K.T } \overline{BC} + \overline{CD} + \overline{DA} = \overline{BA}$$

$$\therefore \overline{BA} + (\overline{BC} + \overline{CD} + \overline{DA}) = \overline{BA} + \overline{BA} = 2\overline{BA}$$

Hence the resultant is $2\overline{BA}$, both in magnitude & direction.

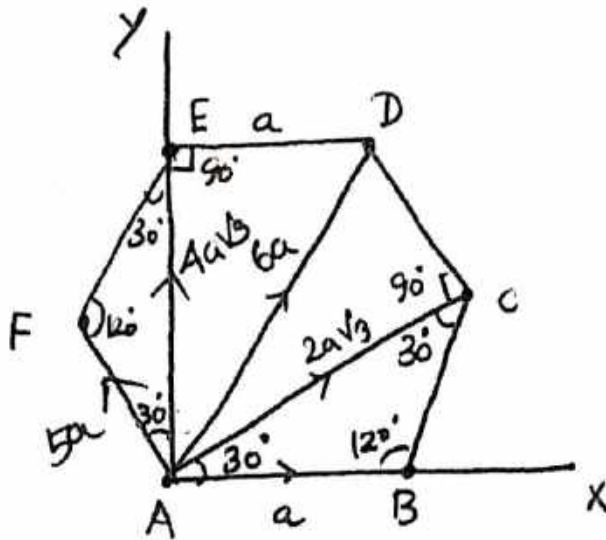
(16) ABCDEF is a regular hexagon and at A, act forces represented by \overline{AB} , $2\overline{AC}$, $3\overline{AD}$, $4\overline{AE}$ and $5\overline{AF}$. Show that the magnitude of the resultant is $AB\sqrt{35}$ and it makes an angle $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ with AB.

Soln! Let 'a' be the side of the hexagon.

Each interior angle of a regular hexagon is

$$= \frac{2n-4}{n} \times 90^\circ \text{ where } n=6$$

$$= \frac{62-4}{6} \times 90^\circ = \frac{8}{3} \times 90^\circ = 120^\circ$$



$\therefore \angle CAB = \angle ACB = 30^\circ$ From the isosceles $\triangle ABC$.

$$\angle FAE = \angle FEA = 30^\circ \quad AC = 2AB \cos 30^\circ = 2a \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{AC = a\sqrt{3} = AE} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\angle AED = 90^\circ \quad \therefore AD^2 = AE^2 + ED^2 = (a\sqrt{3})^2 + a^2 = 3a^2 + a^2 = 4a^2$$

[\because using eqn. (1)]

$$\therefore \boxed{AD = 2a} \rightarrow (2)$$

Since the vertices of a regular hexagon lie on a circle.

$$\angle DAB + \angle DCB = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \angle DAB = 180^\circ - \angle DCB$$

$$\angle DAB = 180^\circ - 120^\circ = 60^\circ \quad [\because \angle DCB = 120^\circ]$$

$$\therefore \angle DAC = 30^\circ \text{ and } \angle EAD = 30^\circ$$

Since the magnitude of the forces acting at A are
 $a, 2a\sqrt{3}, 3(2a), 4(a\sqrt{3}), 5(a)$ (\because using (1) & (2))

(i) $a, 2a\sqrt{3}, 6a, 4a\sqrt{3}$ and $5a$ (as shown in the fig)

Take AB and AE as axes of x and y and
R be the resultant inclined at an angle θ to AB.

Resolving the forces along AB and AE, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 R \cos \theta &= a + 2a\sqrt{3} \cos 30^\circ + 6a \cos 60^\circ + 4a\sqrt{3} \cos 90^\circ \\
 &\quad + 5a \cos 120^\circ \\
 &= a + 2a\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + 6a \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 4a\sqrt{3} (0) + 5a \cos (90^\circ + 30^\circ) \\
 &= a + 3a + 3a + 0 + 5a \sin 30^\circ \quad [\cos (90^\circ + \theta) = -\sin \theta] \\
 &= a + 3a + 3a + 5a \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 7a - \frac{5a}{2} = \frac{14a - 5a}{2} = \frac{9a}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{R \cos \theta = \frac{9a}{2}} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\text{and } R \sin \theta = 2a\sqrt{3} \sin (30^\circ) + 6a \sin 60^\circ + 4a\sqrt{3} \sin 90^\circ + 5a \sin 120^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2a\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 6a \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) + 4a\sqrt{3} (1) + 5a \sin (90^\circ + 30^\circ) \\
 &= a\sqrt{3} + 3a\sqrt{3} + 4a\sqrt{3} + 5a \cos 30^\circ \\
 &= 8a\sqrt{3} + 5a \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{16a\sqrt{3} + 5a\sqrt{3}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{R \sin \theta = \frac{21a\sqrt{3}}{2}} \rightarrow (4)$$

Squaring and adding the eq. (3) & (4)

$$R^2 = \frac{81a^2}{4} + \frac{441a^2 \cdot 3}{4} = \frac{81a^2 + 1323a^2}{4} = \frac{1404a^2}{4}$$

$$R^2 = 351a^2 \Rightarrow R = a\sqrt{351} \Rightarrow \boxed{R = AB\sqrt{351}}$$

$$\frac{(4)}{(3)} \Rightarrow \frac{21\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{9a} = \frac{21\sqrt{3}}{9} = \frac{7\sqrt{3}}{3} = \frac{7}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\boxed{\tan \theta = \frac{7}{\sqrt{3}}}$$

Hence the resultant is a force of magnitude $AB\sqrt{351}$ and a direction makes an angle is $\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$

With AB.

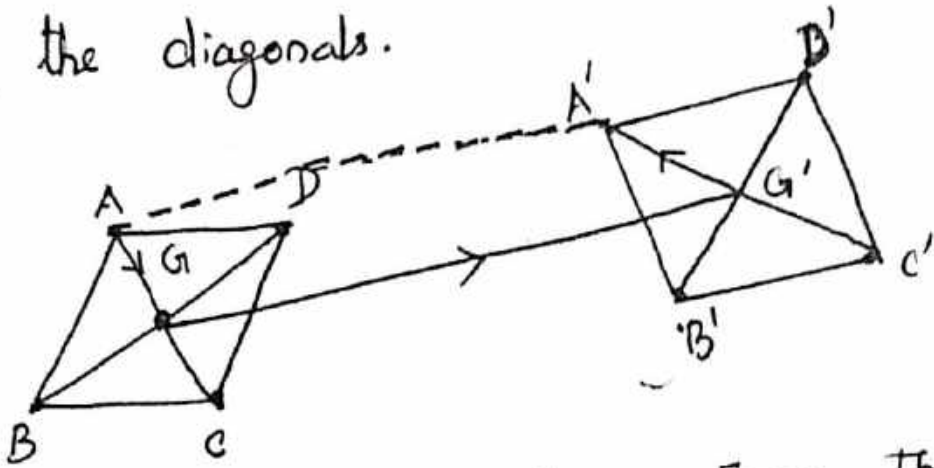
(17) Forces acting at a Point are represented in magnitude and direction by \vec{AB} , $2\vec{BC}$, $2\vec{CD}$, \vec{DA} and \vec{DB} where ABCD is a square. Prove that forces are in equilibrium.

Soln $\vec{AB} + 2\vec{BC} + 2\vec{CD} + \vec{DA} + \vec{DB}$
 $= (\vec{AB} + \vec{BC} + \vec{CD} + \vec{DA}) + (\vec{BC} + \vec{CD} + \vec{DB}) = \vec{0}$

[∵ The first set of forces are in equilibrium by the square ABCD and the second set of forces are in equilibrium by the triangle BCD]. Hence the forces are in equilibrium.

18) ABCD and A'B'C'D' are Parallelograms. Prove that forces $\overline{AA'}$, $\overline{B'B}$, $\overline{C'C}$ and $\overline{D'D}$ acting at a Point will keep it at rest.

Sol: Let G and G' be the Points of intersection of the diagonals.



By the Polygon of forces, from the quadrilateral

AGG'A'

$$\overline{AA'} = \overline{AG} + \overline{GG'} + \overline{G'A'} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{|||} \overline{B'B} = \overline{B'G'} + \overline{G'G} + \overline{GB} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\overline{C'C} = \overline{CG} + \overline{GG'} + \overline{G'C'} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\overline{D'D} = \overline{D'G'} + \overline{G'G} + \overline{GD} \rightarrow (4)$$

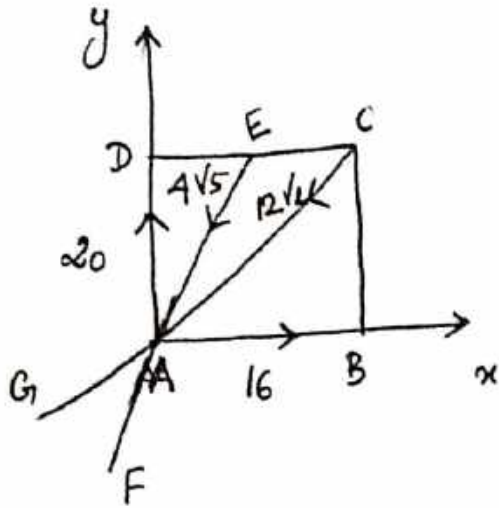
From the equations (1) to (4), we get.

$$\overline{AA'} + \overline{B'B} + \overline{C'C} + \overline{D'D} = \overline{0} \quad [\because \text{the forces are equal and opposite}]$$

Hence the forces are in equilibrium.

(19) E is the middle Point of the Side CD of a Square ABCD. Forces 16, 20, $4\sqrt{5}$, $12\sqrt{2}$ Kg wt. act along AB, AD, EA, CA in the directions indicated by the order of the letters. Show that they are in equilibrium. (19)

Soln



Take AB and AD be the axis of x and y .

Produce EA to F. Take $\angle BAF = 0$

Produce CA to G.

$$(i) \angle BAG = \angle BAC + \angle CAG = 45^\circ + 180^\circ = 225^\circ$$

Let R be the resultant of the forces inclined at an angle θ to AB.

Resolving the forces AB and AD We get

$$R \cos \theta = 16 + 12\sqrt{2} \cos 225^\circ + 4\sqrt{5} \cos \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 16 + 12\sqrt{2} \cos(180^\circ + 45^\circ) + 4\sqrt{5} \cos 0 \\
&= 16 + 12\sqrt{2} [-\cos 45^\circ] + 4\sqrt{5} \cos 0 \quad [\because \cos(180^\circ + \theta) = -\cos \theta] \\
&= 16 + 12\sqrt{2} \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 4\sqrt{5} \cos 0 \\
&= 16 - 12 + 4\sqrt{5} \cos 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{R \cos 0 = 4 + 4\sqrt{5} \cos 0} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\angle BAE = \angle BAF - \angle EAF = 0 - 180^\circ$$

$\angle DEA =$ alternate angle of $\angle BAE$

$$\therefore \boxed{\angle DEA = 0 - 180^\circ}$$

In a right angle $\triangle ADE$

$$AE^2 = AD^2 + DE^2$$

$$= a^2 + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 = a^2 + \frac{a^2}{4} = \frac{5a^2}{4}$$

$$AE^2 = \frac{5a^2}{4} \Rightarrow \boxed{AE = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} a}$$

$$\cos(0 - 180^\circ) = \frac{DE}{AE} = \frac{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)}{\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \cdot a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$(iv) \cos(180^\circ - 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} = -\cos 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\cos 0 = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Subst. (2) in (1) We get

$$R \cos \theta = 4 + 4\sqrt{5} \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}} \right) = 0$$

$$\boxed{R \cos \theta = 0} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R \sin \theta &= 12\sqrt{2} \sin 225^\circ + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta + 20 \\ &= 12\sqrt{2} \sin (180^\circ + 45^\circ) + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta + 20 \\ &= -12\sqrt{2} \sin 45^\circ + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta + 20 \\ &= -12\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta + 20 \\ &= 8 + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{R \sin \theta = 8 + 4\sqrt{5} \sin \theta} \rightarrow (4)$$

From a right angle triangle $\triangle AED$

$$\sin (\theta - 180^\circ) = \frac{AD}{AE} = \frac{a}{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$-\sin (180^\circ - \theta) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\boxed{\sin \theta = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}}} \rightarrow (5)$$

Subst. (5) in (4), we get

$$R \sin \theta = 8 + 4\sqrt{3} \left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{5}} \right) = 8 - 8 = 0$$

$$\boxed{R \sin \theta = 0} \rightarrow (6)$$

Squaring and adding the eqns. (3) & (6), we get

$$R^2 (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta) = 0 \Rightarrow R^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{R = 0}$$

Hence the forces are in equilibrium.

Parallel Forces and Moments:

Two Parallel forces are said to be like when they act in the same direction, they are said to be unlike when they act in opposite parallel directions.

To find the resultant of two like parallel forces acting on a rigid body.

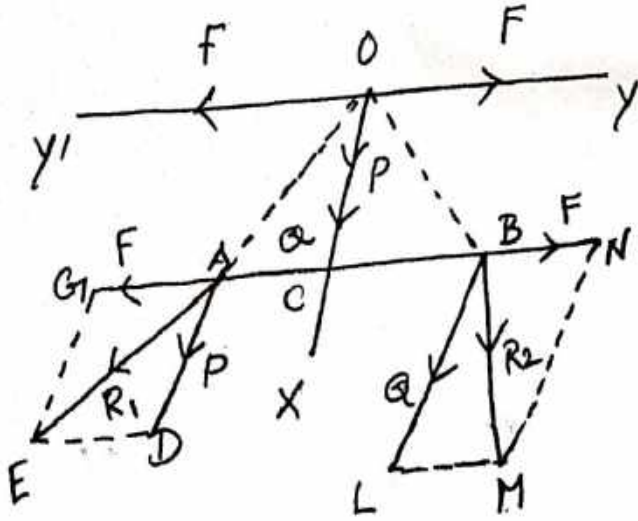
Let like parallel forces P and Q act at the points A and B of the rigid body respectively and let them be represented by the lines AD and BL .

At A and B , we have introduced two equal and opposite forces F of arbitrary magnitude along AB and let them be represented by AG and BN .

These two forces will balance each other and will not affect the resultant of the system.

The two forces F and P acting at A can be compounded into a single force R_1 represented by the diagonal AE of the parallelogram $ADEG$.

Similarly two forces F and Q acting at B will have a resultant R_2 represented by the diagonal BM of the parallelogram $BLMN$.



Produce EA and MB and meet at O.
 The resultant R_1 and R_2 can be considered to act at O.
 At O draw $y'oy' \parallel AB$ and ox Parallel to the direction of P and Q.
 Resolve R_1 and R_2 at O into their original components.
 R_1 at O is equal to a force F along oy' and a force P along ox .
 R_2 at O is equal to a force F along oy' and a force Q along ox .
 Two F's at O cancel each other being equal and opposite.
 Now we are left with the two forces P and Q along ox .
 Hence the ~~the~~ ^{Resultant} is a force $(P+Q)$ acting along ox .
 acting in a direction Parallel to original directions of P and Q.

(ii) The magnitude of the resultant of two like Parallel⁽²⁾ forces is their sum. The direction of the resultant is Parallel to the Components and in the Same Sense.

To find the Position of the resultant

Let OX to meet AB at C.

Triangles OAC and AED are Similar.

$$\therefore \frac{OC}{AD} = \frac{AC}{ED} \Rightarrow \frac{OC}{P} = \frac{AC}{F} \Rightarrow F \cdot OC = P \cdot AC \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Triangles OCB and BLM are Similar.

$$\therefore \frac{OC}{BL} = \frac{CB}{LM} \Rightarrow \frac{OC}{Q} = \frac{CB}{F} \Rightarrow F \cdot OC = Q \cdot CB \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

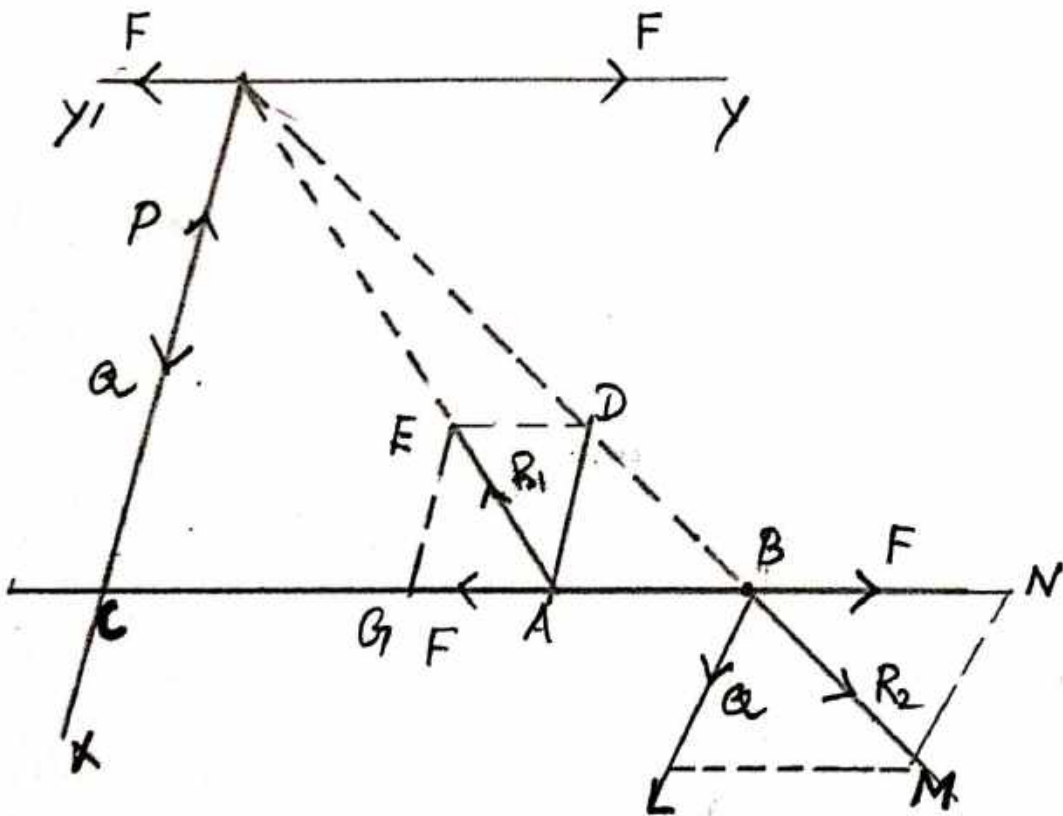
From (1) & (2) We get

$$P \cdot AC = Q \cdot CB \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{AC}{CB} = \frac{Q}{P}}$$

Hence the Point c divides AB internally in the inverse ratio of the forces.

To find the resultant of two unlike and unequal Parallel forces acting on a rigid body.

Let P and Q be unequal and unlike Parallel forces acting at the Points A and B of the rigid body. Let $P > Q$ and let them be represented by AD and BE .



At A and B we introduce two equal and opposite forces F of arbitrary magnitude along the line AB . and let them be represented by AG and BN .

These two forces will balance each other and will not affect the resultant of the system.

The two forces F and P acting at A can be compounded into a single force R_1 represented by the diagonal AE in the parallelogram $AGED$. (3)

Similarly the two forces F and Q acting at B a resultant R_2 can be represented by the diagonal BM of the parallelogram $BLMN$.

Produce AE and MB and let them meet at O .

The resultant R_1 and R_2 to act at O .

At O , draw $y'Oy \parallel$ to AB and

Ox parallel to the directions of P and Q .

Resolve R_1 and R_2 at O into their original components.

R_1 at O is equal to a force F along Oy' and a force P along Ox .

R_2 at O is equal to a force F along Oy and a force Q along Ox .

The two forces at O cancel each other being equal and opposite.

Now we have left with a force P along Ox and Q along Ox .

∴ The resultant is a force $P-Q$ acting along KO .
 (i) acting in a direction Parallel to that of P .
 ∴ The magnitude of the resultant of two unlike Parallel forces is their difference.
 The direction of the resultant is Parallel to the Sense of the greater Component.

To find the Position of the resultant:

Let OX meet AB at G
 Triangles OCA and EGA are similar.

$$\therefore \frac{OC}{EG} = \frac{CA}{GA} \Rightarrow \frac{OC}{P} = \frac{CA}{F} \Rightarrow F \cdot OC = P \cdot CA \rightarrow (1)$$

Triangles OCB and BLM are similar.

$$\therefore \frac{OC}{BL} = \frac{CB}{LM} \Rightarrow \frac{OC}{Q} = \frac{CB}{F} \Rightarrow F \cdot OC = Q \cdot CB \rightarrow (2)$$

From (1) & (2) We get

$$P \cdot CA = Q \cdot CB \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{CA}{CB} = \frac{Q}{P}}$$

(i) The Point C divides AB externally in the inverse ratio of the forces.

When $P > Q$, $CB > CA$.

Hence the resultant Passes nearer the greater force.

Note: The resultant of two unlike Parallel force P and Q ⁽⁴⁾
will fail if $P=Q$

so if the forces are in equal magnitude.

In that case $\Delta^{les} AGE$ and BNM are Congruent.

(i) $\angle GAE = \angle NBM$ and the lines AE and MB are \parallel^{el} .

There will be no Point as O .

Hence the effect two equal and unlike Parallel forces cannot be replaced as a single force.

Resultant of number of Parallel forces acting on a rigid body

Let P, Q, R, \dots be a number of Parallel forces act on a rigid body.

First we find the resultant R_1 of P and Q and

Second we find the resultant R_2 of R_1 and R

This process is continued until the final resultant is obtained.

Case (i): If the Parallel forces are all like, the magnitude of the final resultant is Sum of the forces.

Case (ii) If the \parallel^{el} forces are not all like the magnitude of the resultant is Sum of the forces each taken with its proper sign.

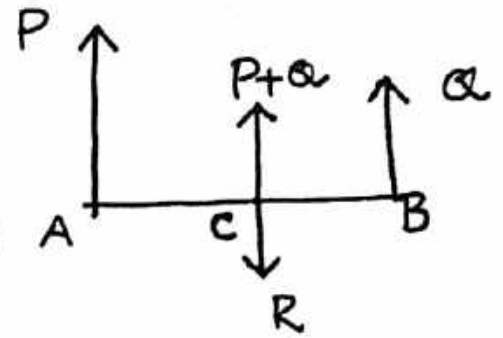
Conditions of Equilibrium of Three Coplanar Parallel Forces

Let P , Q and R be the three forces Parallel in one Plane and be in equilibrium.

Draw a line to meet the lines of action of these forces at A , B and C respectively.

If all the forces are in the same sense and be in equilibrium.

\therefore Two forces P and Q must be like and the third force R unlike.



The resultant of P and Q is $P+Q$ Parallel to P or Q and for equilibrium R must be equal and opposite.

$\therefore R = P+Q$ the line of action of $P+Q$ must

Passes through C .

$$\therefore P \cdot AC = Q \cdot CB \Rightarrow \frac{P}{CB} = \frac{Q}{AC}$$

$$\text{and each is equal to } \frac{P+Q}{CB+AC} = \frac{P+Q}{AB} = \frac{R}{AB}$$

$$(10) \frac{P}{CB} = \frac{Q}{AC} = \frac{R}{AB}$$

Hence if three Parallel forces are in equilibrium each is Proportional to distance between the other two.

Centre of two Parallel Forces

Let P and Q be two Parallel Forces acting at two Points A and B then their resultant R Passes through a Point C which divides AB internally or externally in the ratio $Q : P$

$$(i) \frac{AC}{CB} = \frac{Q}{P} \rightarrow (1)$$

The Position of C is given by eqn. (1). depends only upon the Positions of A and B and then magnitude of the forces P and Q . It does not depend on the actual direction.

In other words, the common direction of Parallel forces of the forces P and Q their resultant will always Passes through a certain fixed Point.

This Point is called the Centre of two Parallel Forces.

\therefore The Centre of two Parallel forces is a fixed Point through which their resultant always Passes whatever be the direction of Parallelism.

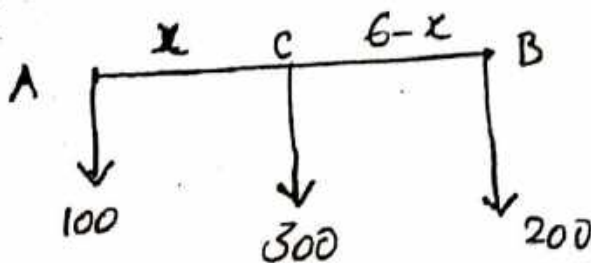
In generally
The resultant of a system of Parallel forces of
Given magnitude acting at given Points of a body,
will always Pass through a fixed Point, for all
Directions of Parallelism. This Point is called
Centre of Parallel forces.

Problems :

(6)

① Two men, one stronger than the other have to remove a block of stone weighing 300 kgs with a light pole whose length is 6 meters. The weaker man cannot carry more than 100 kgs. Where must the stone be fastened to the pole so as just to allow him his full share of weight?

Soln. Let A be the weaker man bearing 100 kgs, his full share of the weight of the stone and B be the stronger man bearing 200 kgs. Let C be the point on AB where the stone is fastened to the pole & $AC = x$. Then the weight of the stone acting at C is resultant of the parallel forces 100 and 200 at A and B respectively.



$$\therefore 100 \cdot AC = 200 \cdot BC$$

$$\Rightarrow 100x = 200(6-x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1200 - 200x = 100x$$

$$\Rightarrow 300x = 1200$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = 4}$$

Hence the stone must be fastened to the pole at the point distance 4 metres from the weaker man.

② Two like Parallel Forces P and Q act on a rigid body at A and B respectively.

(a) If Q be changed to $\frac{P^2}{Q}$, Show that the line of action of the resultant is the same as it would be if the forces were simply interchanged.

(b) If P and Q be interchanged in position, Show that the Point of application of the resultant will be displaced along AB through a distance d where $d = \frac{P-Q}{P+Q} \cdot AB$.

Sol.

(a) Let C be the Centre of two Parallel forces with P at A and Q at B .

$$\text{Then } P \cdot AC = Q \cdot CB \rightarrow (1)$$

If Q is changed to $\frac{P^2}{Q}$

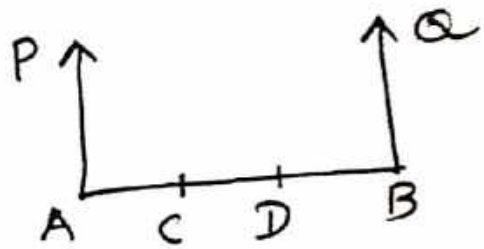
Let D be the new Centre of Parallel forces.

$$\therefore P \cdot AD = \frac{P^2}{Q} \cdot DB \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) \quad P \cdot Q \cdot AD = P^2 \cdot DB$$

$$Q \cdot AD = P \cdot DB \rightarrow (3)$$

The eqn. (3) shows that D is the Centre of two like Parallel forces with Q at A and P at B .



(b) When the forces P and Q are interchanged in Position ⁽⁷⁾
 D is the new Centre of Parallel forces.

$$CD = d$$

From the equation (3)

$$Q \cdot (AC + CD) = P \cdot (CB - CD)$$

$$(i) Q \cdot AC + Q \cdot d = P \cdot CB - P \cdot d$$

$$\begin{aligned} (Q + P) \cdot d &= P \cdot CB - Q \cdot AC \\ &= P(AB - AC) - Q(AB - CB) \\ &= PAB - PAC - QAB + QCB \\ &= (P - Q) \cdot AB \quad [\because \text{Using eqn. (i)}] \end{aligned}$$

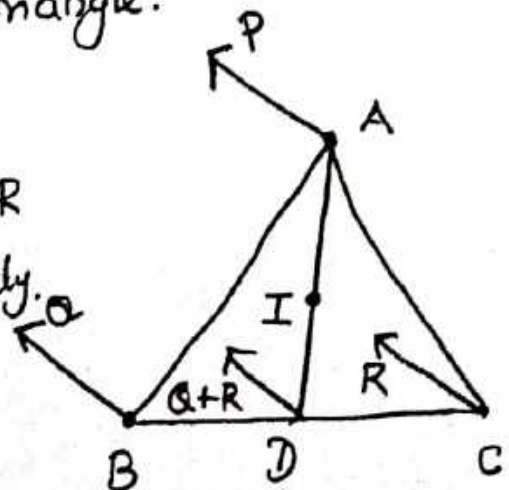
$$\therefore \boxed{d = \frac{P - Q}{P + Q} \cdot AB}$$

③ Three like Parallel forces, acting at the Vertices of a triangle have magnitude Proportional to the Opposite Sides. Show that their resultant Passes through the incentre of the triangle.

Soln

Let like Parallel forces P, Q, R act at A, B and C respectively.

$$(i) \frac{P}{a} = \frac{Q}{b} = \frac{R}{c} \rightarrow (1)$$



Let the resultant of Q and R meet BC at D

W.K.T The magnitude of the resultant is $Q+R$.

$$\text{Also } \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{\text{force at C}}{\text{force at B}} = \frac{R}{Q} = \frac{c}{b} \quad [\text{From the eqn. (1)}]$$

$$\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

\therefore AD is the internal bisector of $\angle A$.

Now to find the resultant of the two like Parallel forces $Q+R$ at D and P at A.

Let this resultant meet AD at I

$$\therefore \frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{\text{force at D}}{\text{force at A}} = \frac{Q+R}{P} = \frac{b+c}{a} \quad [\text{From the eqn. (1)}]$$

$$\frac{AI}{ID} = \frac{b+c}{a} \rightarrow (2)$$

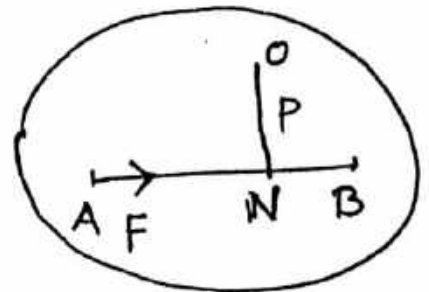
From the eqn. (2) shows that I is the incentre of Δ .

Moment of a Force :

When forces act on a Particle, the only motion that can occur is a motion of translation. But a force acting on a rigid body may produce either a motion of translation or rotation or of translation and rotation combined. When there is a motion of translation alone, the force is measured by the product of the mass of the Particle and the acceleration produced on it by the force. In case of rotation the idea of the turning effect or moment of a force is introduced.

Consider a sheet of cardboard pivoted freely at a fixed point O . If a force F acts along a st. line AB , it is clear that there will be no rotation if AB passes through O .

If AB does not pass through O the force will tend to rotate the sheet about O .



This tendency to rotate the body will increase as the magnitude of the force increases and also as the perpendicular distance from O on the line of action of the force increases. Let ON be the length of the \perp^r from O on the line of action of F . This tendency to rotate varies as F when ON is constant. It also varies as ON when F is constant. Hence it varies as $F \times ON$. That is the product of F and ON , when both these quantities vary. This product is called moment of a force F about O .

Thus the moment of a force about a point is defined to be the product of the force and the \perp^r distance of the point from the line of action of the force.

Note: If the moment of a force about a point is zero either

- (i) the force itself is zero (i.e) $F = 0$ or
- (ii) the line of action of the force passes through the point.

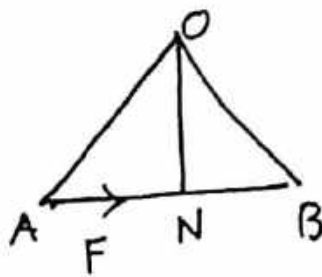
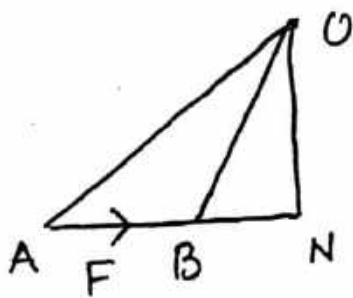
Physical Significance of the moment of a Force

The Physical meaning for the moment of a force about a Point is that it measures the tendency to rotate the body about that Point.

Geometrical Representation of a Moment

Let a force F acting on a body be represented in magnitude, direction and line of action by the line AB .

Let O be any given Point and ON the Perpendicular from O on AB or AB Produced.



The moment of a force about O is

$$F \times ON = AB \times ON = 2 \Delta AOB$$

Hence if a force is represented completely by a st. line its moment about any Point is given by twice the area of the Δ^k which the st. line subtends at that Point.

Sign of the moment:

When the force F acts along AB , it will tend to rotate the lamina in the anticlockwise direction.

(i) In a direction opposite to that in which the hands of clock move. In such cases the moment is said to be Positive.

If the force tends to turn the body in a clockwise direction its moment is said to be Negative.

Unit of moment:

The moment of a unit force about a point at a unit perpendicular distance from the line of action of the force is defined as the unit for the measurement of moments. If the unit of force be Poundal and unit of distance be one foot the unit of moment is a Poundal foot.

If the unit of force be dyne and unit of distance be one centimeter the unit of moment is a dyne-cm.

Varignon's Theorem of Moments

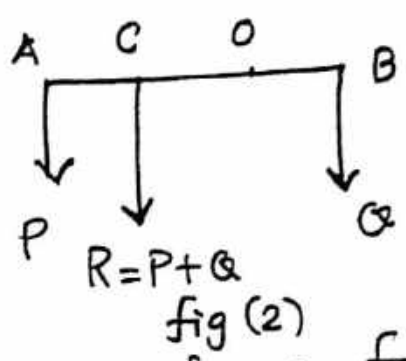
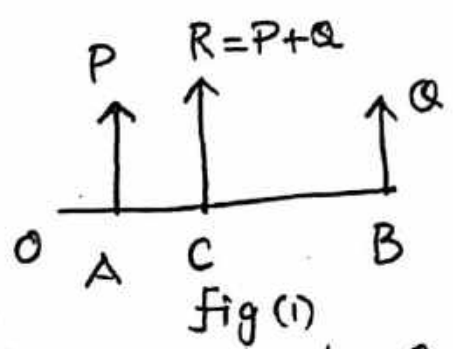
Statement: The algebraic sum of the moments of two forces about any Point in their Plane is equal to the moment of their resultant about that Point.

Proof:

Case (i) Let the forces be Parallel.

Let P and Q be two Parallel forces and O any Point in their Plane.

Draw $AOB \perp$ to the forces to meet their line of action in A and B .



The resultant of P and Q is a force $R = P + Q$ acting at $C \Rightarrow P \cdot AC = Q \cdot CB \rightarrow (1)$

In fig (1)

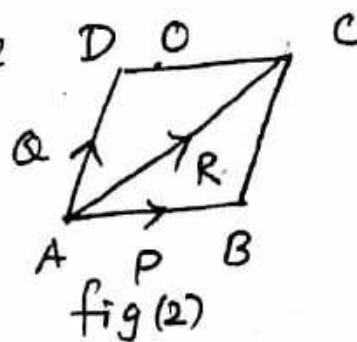
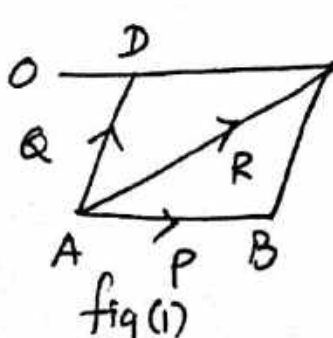
The algebraic sum of the moments of P and Q about O

$$\begin{aligned}
&= P \cdot OA + Q \cdot OB \\
&= P(OC - AC) + Q(OC + CB) \\
&= (P + Q)OC - P \cdot AC + Q \cdot CB \\
&= (P + Q)OC - Q \cdot CB + Q \cdot CB \quad [\because \text{Using eqn. (1)}] \\
&= (P + Q) \cdot OC \\
&= R \cdot OC \\
&= \text{Moment of } R \text{ about } O.
\end{aligned}$$

In fig (2) O is within AB and the algebraic sum of the moments of P and Q about O

$$\begin{aligned}
&= P \cdot OA - Q \cdot OB \\
&= P(OC + CA) - Q(CB - CO) \\
&= (P + Q)OC + P \cdot CA - Q \cdot CB \\
&= (P + Q)OC + Q \cdot CB - Q \cdot CB \quad (\because \text{Using eqn. (1)}) \\
&= (P + Q) \cdot OC \\
&= R \cdot OC \\
&= \text{moment of } R \text{ about } O.
\end{aligned}$$

Case (ii) Let the forces are equivalent meet at a Point.



Let the forces P and Q act at A as shown (4)
in the fig.

Let O be any point in their plane.

Through O , draw a line \parallel to P meeting the
the line of action of Q at D .

Choose the scale of representation \propto length AD
represents Q in magnitude.

On the same scale let length AB represent P .

Complete the Parallelogram BAD so that the
diagonal AC represents the resultant R of P and Q .

The moments of P, Q, R about O are represented
by $2\Delta AOB, 2\Delta AOD, 2\Delta AOC$ resl.

In fig (1)

O lies outside the $\angle BAD$ and the moments of
 P and Q are Positive.

The algebraic sum of the moments of P and Q

$$= 2\Delta AOB + 2\Delta AOD$$

$$= 2\Delta ACB + 2\Delta AOD \quad [\because \Delta AOB = \Delta ACB]$$

$$= 2\Delta ADC + 2\Delta AOD \quad [\because \text{diagonal } AC \text{ bisects the } \parallel^{\text{gm}}]$$

$$= 2 (\Delta ADC + \Delta AOD)$$

$$= 2 \Delta AOC$$

= moment of R about O.

In fig (2) O lies inside the $\angle BAD$.

The moment of P about O is positive while that of Q is negative.

The algebraic sum of the moments of P and Q

$$= 2 \Delta AOB - 2 \Delta AOD$$

$$= 2 \Delta ACB - 2 \Delta AOD$$

$$= 2 \Delta ADC - 2 \Delta AOD$$

$$= 2 [\Delta ADC - \Delta AOD]$$

$$= 2 \Delta AOC$$

= moment of R about O.

Hence the algebraic sum of the moments of two forces about any point in their plane is equal to the moment of their resultant about that point.

Generalised Theorem of moments

Statement: If any number of coplanar forces acting on a rigid body have a resultant, the algebraic sum of their moments about any point in their plane is equal to the moment of their resultant about the same point.

Proof: Let P_1, P_2, \dots be any no. of coplanar forces and O be any point in their plane.

Let R_1 be the resultant of P_1 and P_2

R_2 be the resultant of R_1 and P_3

R_3 be the resultant of R_2 and P_4

and so on until the final resultant is obtained.

Applying Varignon's thm. to the forces P_1, P_2 and R_1

We have

Moment of P_1 about O + Moment of P_2 about O

$$= \text{Moment of } R_1 \text{ about } O \rightarrow (1)$$

III) Applying the thm. to the forces R_1, P_3 and R_2

We have

Moment of R_1 about O + moment of P_3 about O

$$= \text{Moment of } R_2 \text{ about } O \rightarrow (2)$$

Combining the eqns. (1) & (2) we get

Moment of P_1 about O + Moment of P_2 about O
+ Moment of P_3 about O = Moment of R about O

Proceeding thus till all the forces are exhausted.

Let $P_1, P_2, P_3 \dots$ be the \perp^r distances of O from the lines of action of the forces $P_1, P_2 \dots$ respectively and P be the \perp^r distance of O from the line of action of the resultant R .

\therefore The above theorem can be written as

$$P_1 P_1 + P_2 P_2 + \dots = PR$$

$$(ii) \quad \boxed{\sum P_i P_i = PR}$$

Result 1: If the basic Point O about which moment is taken, happens to lie on the line of action of the resultant R , then $P = 0$

$$\therefore \sum P_i P_i = 0.$$

Hence the algebraic sum of the moment of any number of coplanar forces about any point on the line of action of their resultant is zero.

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Result 2: Suppose $\sum P_i P_i = 0$

(i) $PR = 0$

\therefore Either $P=0$ or $R=0$

If $P=0$ it means that the basic Point about 0 which moment is taken lie on the line of action of the resultant.

If $R=0$ it means that there is no resultant for the system.

(ii) the forces are in equilibrium.

Hence the algebraic sum of the moments of any number of forces about any Point in their Plane is Zero, then either their resultant Passes through the Point about which moments are taken or the resultant is zero.

Result 3: Suppose $R=0$ (i.e) The forces are in equilibrium

(i) $\sum P_i P_i = 0$

Hence if a system of Coplanar forces in equilibrium the algebraic sum of their moments about any Point in their Plane is Zero.

Moment of a force about an axis:

We have considered only Coplanar forces and their moments about a Point in their plane.

Let us consider a rigid body which is capable of turning about some axis fixed in the body. For instance a door capable of turning about the line of hinges.

Now any force whose line of action is not parallel or does not pass through this axis, will tend to turn the body about it.

To measure the tendency of rotation in such cases we introduce the idea of the moment of a force about an axis.

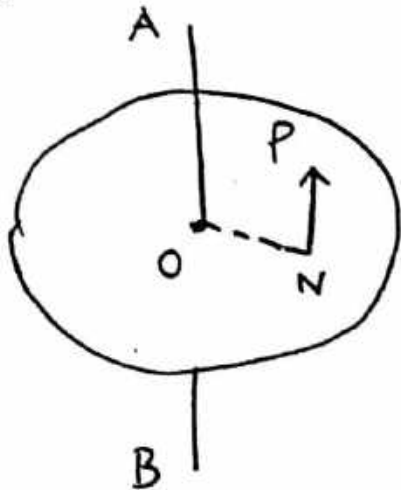


Fig 1

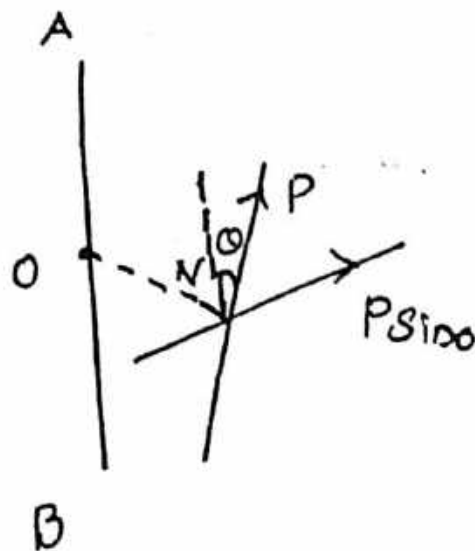


Fig 2

In fig (1)

a force P acts on a body in a direction perpendicular to a line AB is the body, but not intersecting it.

(i) P acts in a plane \perp^r to AB .

The moment of the force P about the line AB is defined to be $P \cdot ON$ where ON is the \perp^r distance between the line of action of P and the line AB .

In fig (2)

a force P acts in any direction (not necessarily \perp^r to AB)

Let ON be the shortest distance between AB and the line of action of P .

The force P can be considered to act at N along its line of action.

It can be resolved into two components

(i) $P \cos \theta$ \parallel^l to AB

(ii) $P \sin \theta$ \perp^r to AB .

The component $P \cos \theta$ being \parallel^l to AB has zero moment about AB .

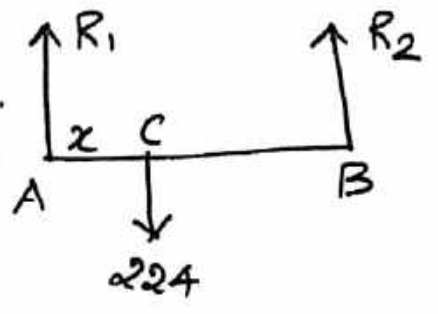
The component $P \sin \theta$ \perp^r to AB is $P \sin \theta \cdot ON$
This is moment of P about AB .

Problems :

① Two men carry a load of 224 kg wt which hangs from a light pole of length 8m each end of which rests on a shoulder of one of the men. The point from which the load is hung is 2m nearer to one man than the other. What is the pressure on each shoulder ?

Solo!

Let AB is the light pole of length 8m. and c is the pt. from which the load of 224 kgs is hung.



Let $Ac = x$ then $Bc = 8 - x$.

It is given that $(8 - x) - x = 2 \Rightarrow 2x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 3$

$\therefore Ac = 3$ and $Bc = 5$

Let the pressures at A and B be R_1 and R_2 kg.

Since the pole is an equilibrium.

The algebraic sum of the moments of the three forces R_1 , R_2 and 224 kg about any pt. must be equal to zero.

Taking moment about B

$$224 \cdot CB - R_1 \cdot AB = 0 \quad (\text{as the moment of } R_2 \text{ about B is zero})$$

$$224(5) - R_1(8) = 0$$

$$R_1 = \frac{224 \times 5}{8} = 140 \Rightarrow \boxed{R_1 = 140}$$

Taking moments about A

$$R_2 \cdot AB - 224 \cdot AC = 0$$

$$8R_2 - 224(3) = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{R_2 = 84}$$

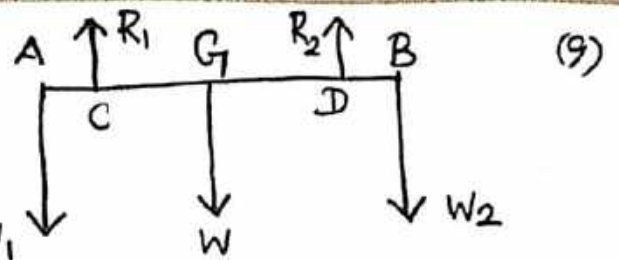
② A uniform plank of length $2a$ and weight W is supported horizontally on two vertical props at a distance b apart. The greatest weight that can be placed at the two ends in succession without upsetting the plank are W_1 and W_2 respectively. Show that

$$\frac{W_1}{W+W_1} + \frac{W_2}{W+W_2} = \frac{b}{a}$$

Soln

Let AB be the plank placed upon two vertical props at C and D . $CD = b$. The weight W of the plank acts at G , the mid pt. of AB .

$$AG_1 = G_1B = a$$



When the weight W_1 is placed at A, the contact with D is just broken and the upward reaction at D then is zero.

There is upward reaction R_1 at C

Taking moments about C, we get

$$W_1 \cdot AC = W \cdot CG_1$$

$$(i) W_1 (AG_1 + CG_1) = W \cdot CG_1$$

$$\text{or } W_1 \cdot AG_1 = (W + W_1) \cdot CG_1$$

$$(ii) W_1 a = (W + W_1) CG_1$$

$$CG_1 = \frac{W_1 a}{W + W_1} \rightarrow (1)$$

When the weight W_2 is attached at B, there is loose contact at C. The reaction at C is zero.

There is upward reaction R_2 about D.

Taking moments about D, we get

$$W \cdot G_1D = W_2 \cdot BD$$

$$(i) W \cdot G_1D = W_2 (G_1B - G_1D)$$

$$(ii) G_1D (W + W_2) = W_2 G_1B = W_2 a$$

$$(iii) G_1D = \frac{W_2 a}{W + W_2} \rightarrow (2)$$

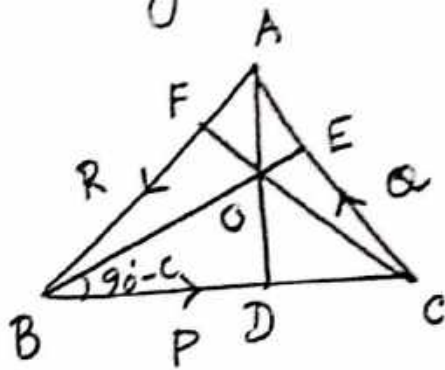
$$\text{But } CG_1 + G_1D = CD = b$$

$$\therefore \left[\frac{W_1}{W + W_1} + \frac{W_2}{W + W_2} = \frac{b}{a} \right] \text{ [Using eqn (1) \& (2)]}$$

③ The resultant of three forces P, Q, R acting along the sides BC, CA, AB of a triangle ABC passes through the orthocentre. Show that the triangle must be obtuse angled. If $\angle A = 120^\circ$ and $B = C$ show that

$$Q + R = P\sqrt{3}$$

Sol Let AD, BE and CF be the altitudes of the triangle intersecting at O be the orthocentre.



As the resultant passes through O , moment of the resultant about $O = 0$
 \therefore Sum of the moments about P, Q, R about O is zero.
 \therefore Taking moments about O , we get

$$P \cdot OD + Q \cdot OE + R \cdot OF = 0 \rightarrow (i)$$

In right angled triangle BOD

$$\angle OBD = \angle EBC = 90^\circ - C$$

$$\therefore \tan(90^\circ - C) = \frac{OD}{BD}$$

$$(i) \cot C = \frac{OD}{BD}$$

$$OD = BD \cot C \rightarrow (2)$$

(10)

From right angled triangle ABD

$$\cos B = \frac{BD}{AB} \Rightarrow BD = AB \cos B \Rightarrow BD = c \cos B \rightarrow (3)$$

Subst. (3) in (2), we get

$$OD = c \cos B \cot C = c \cos B \cdot \frac{\cos C}{\sin C}$$
$$= \frac{c}{\sin C} \cos B \cos C = 2R' \cos B \cos C$$

[$\because \frac{c}{\sin C} = 2R'$]
 R' is circumradius
of the Δ^{le}

$$\text{Similarly } OE = 2R' \cos C \cos A$$

$$\text{and } OF = 2R' \cos A \cos B$$

\therefore (1) implies

$$P \cdot 2R' \cos B \cos C + Q \cdot 2R' \cos C \cos A + R \cdot 2R' \cos A \cos B = 0$$

\div by $2R' \cos A \cos B \cos C$, we get

$$\frac{P}{\cos A} + \frac{Q}{\cos B} + \frac{R}{\cos C} = 0 \rightarrow (4)$$

Now P, Q, R being magnitudes of the forces all are

Positive.

Hence in order that the eqn. (3) may hold good,
at least one of the terms must be negative.

\therefore One of the Cosines must be negative.

(i) The triangle must be obtuse angled.

If $A = 120^\circ$ and the other angles equal then $\angle B = \angle C = 30^\circ$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \frac{P}{\cos 120^\circ} + \frac{Q}{\cos 30^\circ} + \frac{R}{\cos 30^\circ} = 0$$

$$(ii) \frac{P}{\cos (90^\circ + 30^\circ)} + \frac{Q}{\cos 30^\circ} + \frac{R}{\cos 30^\circ} = 0$$

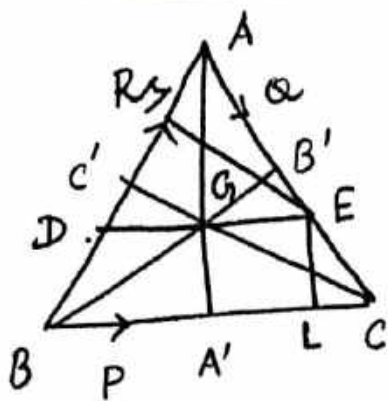
$$\frac{P}{-\sin 30^\circ} + \frac{Q+R}{\cos 30^\circ} = 0$$

$$\frac{P}{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{Q+R}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = 0$$

$$(iii) \boxed{P\sqrt{3} = Q+R}$$

④ Forces P, Q, R act along the Sides BC, AC, BA respectively of an equilateral triangle. If their resultant is a force Parallel to BC through the Centroid of the triangle Prove that $Q=R=\frac{1}{2}P$

Soln Let ABC be equilateral triangle the medians AA', BB' and CC' are the altitudes meeting at G , it is the Centroid.



Let $DE \parallel BC$ through G

It is given that DGE is the line of action of the resultant.

As the resultant passes through G its moment about G is zero.

\therefore Sum of the moments of P, Q, R about G is zero.

$$(i) P \cdot GA' - Q \cdot GB' - R \cdot GC' = 0$$

$$(ii) P - Q - R = 0 \rightarrow (1) \quad (\because GA' = GB' = GC')$$

Since the resultant passes through E also, sum of the moments of P, Q, R about E is zero.

Draw $EL \perp BC$ and $EM \perp AB$

$$\therefore P \cdot EL - R \cdot EM = 0 \rightarrow (2)$$

From the similar Δ^{les} ELC and $AA'C$

$$\frac{EL}{AA'} = \frac{EC}{AC} = \frac{1}{3} \left[\because DGE \parallel BC \text{ and } \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{AG}{GA'} = \frac{2}{1} \right]$$

$$\therefore EL = \frac{1}{3} AA' \rightarrow (3)$$

From the Similar Triangles AME and AC'C

$$\frac{EM}{CC'} = \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore EM = \frac{2}{3} CC' \rightarrow (4)$$

Subst. (3) & (4) in eqn. (2) We get

$$P \cdot \frac{1}{3} AA' - R \cdot \frac{2}{3} CC' = 0$$

$$(i) \quad \frac{P}{3} - \frac{2R}{3} = 0 \quad [\because AA' = CC']$$

$$P - 2R = 0 \Rightarrow P = 2R \Rightarrow \boxed{R = \frac{P}{2}} \rightarrow (5)$$

Put $R = \frac{P}{2}$ in eqn. (1) We get

$$P - Q - \frac{P}{2} = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{P}{2} - Q = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{P}{2} = Q} \rightarrow (6)$$

From the eqns. (5) & (6) we get

$$\boxed{\frac{P}{2} = Q = R}$$

⑤ A uniform Circular Plate is supported horizontally⁽¹²⁾ at three points A, B, C of its circumference. Show that the Pressures on the Supports are in the ratio $\sin 2A : \sin 2B : \sin 2C$.

Sol: Let $BC = a$; $CA = b$ and $AB = c$
 W be the weight of the plate acts at O , the Centre of the Circle and which is also the Circumcentre of the triangle.

Let OD be \perp^r to BC .

W.K.T $\angle BOD = A$

From the right angled Δ^{le}

$$OD = OB \cdot \cos \angle BOD = R \cdot \cos A \rightarrow (1)$$

R being Circum radius of the Δ^{le} .

Let $AE \perp^r$ to BC

$$AE = AC \sin \angle ACE = b \sin B \rightarrow (2)$$

Let R_1 be the reaction at A

Taking moments about BC (to avoid the reactions at B and C)

$$R_1 \cdot AE = W \cdot OD$$

$$\therefore R_1 = \frac{WR \cos A}{b \sin B} \quad [\because \text{Using eqn. (1) \& (2)}]$$

$$= \frac{WR \cos A}{2R \sin B \sin C} \quad (\because b = 2R \sin B)$$

$$= \frac{W \cos A}{2 \sin B \sin C} = \frac{2W \sin A \cos A}{4 \sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

$$= \frac{W \sin 2A}{4 \sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

iii) the reactions R_2 and R_3 are

$$R_2 = \frac{W \sin 2B}{4 \sin A \sin B \sin C} \quad ; \quad R_3 = \frac{W \sin 2C}{4 \sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

Hence

$$R_1 : R_2 : R_3 = \sin 2A : \sin 2B : \sin 2C$$

Couples

(1)

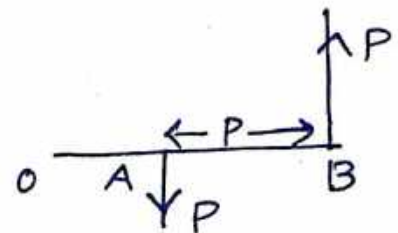
Couple : The effect of two equal and unlike Parallel forces cannot be replaced by a single force. A pair of such forces is called a Couple.
Two equal and unlike Parallel forces not acting at the same point are said to be constitute a Couple.

Example : A Couple are the forces used in winding a clock or turning a tap. Such forces acting upon a rigid body can have only a rotary effect on the body and they cannot produce a motion of translation.

Let P be the magnitude of the forces forming a Couple and O any point in their plane.
Draw OAB perpendicular to the forces to meet their lines of action in A and B .

The algebraic sum of the moments of the forces about O is $P \cdot OB - P \cdot OA$.

$$= P(OB - OA) = P \cdot AB$$



and this value is independent of the position of O .

\therefore The algebraic sum of the moments of the two forces forming a Couple about any point in their plane is constant and is equal to the product

of either of the forces and the Perpendicular distance between them.

This algebraic sum measures the total turning effect of the forces of the Couple upon the body and it is called the moment of the Couple.

\therefore The moment of a Couple is the product of either of the two forces of the Couple and the Perpendicular distance between them.

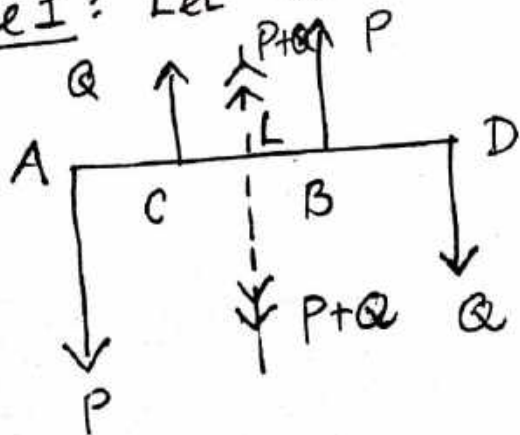
Equilibrium of two Couples: Theorem 1

Statement: If two Couples whose moments are equal and opposite, act in the same plane upon a rigid body they balance one another.

Proof:

Let (P, p) and (Q, q) be two given Couples such that $Pp = Qq$ in magnitude but opposite in sign.

Case I: Let the forces P and Q be Parallel.



Draw a st. line \perp^r to the lines of action (2)
of the forces, meeting them at A, B, C, D
as show in this fig.

Since the ~~moments~~ moments of the Couples are equal

$$P \cdot AB = Q \cdot CD \rightarrow (1)$$

The downward like \parallel forces P at A and Q at D
can be Compound into a single force $P+Q$ acting
at L \Rightarrow

$$P \cdot AL = Q \cdot DL \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \Rightarrow$$

$$P(AB - AL) = Q(CD - DL)$$

$$P \cdot BL = Q \cdot CL \rightarrow (3)$$

The eqn. (3) shows that the resultant of upward
like Parallel forces P at B and Q at C will also
Passes through L.

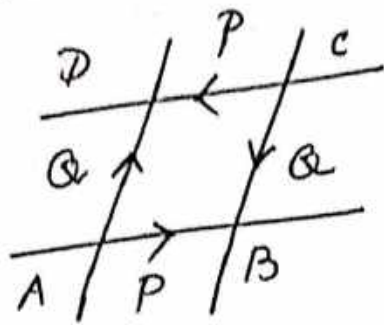
The magnitude of this resultant is also $(P+Q)$
but it is opposite in direction to the

Previous resultant

(i.e) The resultant balance each other.

Hence the two forces forming the Couples are in equilibrium

Case 2: Let the forces P and Q intersect.



Let the two forces P of the Couple (P, P) meet the two forces Q of the Couple (Q, Q) at the Points A, B, C, D . (iv) $ABCD$ is a Parallelogram.

Let AB represent P on some scale. The moments of the two Couples are equal.

$$\text{We get } P \cdot P = Q \cdot Q \rightarrow (1)$$

Also,

$$AB \cdot P = AD \cdot Q \text{ (each being equal to the area of the Parallelogram } ABCD) \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) \div (2) \Rightarrow \frac{P}{AB} = \frac{Q}{AD} \rightarrow (3)$$

Eqn. (3) shows that the side AD will represent Q on the same scale in which the side AB represent P .

The two forces P and Q meeting at A can be compounded by the triangle law

$$(P+Q) \text{ at } A = \overline{AB} + \overline{AD} = \overline{AC}$$

Similarly

$$(P+Q) \text{ at } C = \overline{CD} + \overline{CB} = \overline{CA}$$

The two resultants \overline{AC} and \overline{CA} being equal and opposite cancel each other.

Hence the four forces forming the couple are in equilibrium.

Result:

- (1) The Perpendicular distance AB between the two equal forces P of a couple is called the arm of the couple.
- (2) A couple each of whose forces is P and whose arm is p then the couple is denoted by (P, p)
- (3) A couple is positive when the moment is positive
(i) If the forces of the couple tend to produce rotation in anticlockwise direction.
- (4) A couple is negative when the forces tend to produce rotation in clockwise direction.

Equivalence of two Couples:

Theorem: Two Couples in the same plane whose moments are equal and of the same sign are equivalent to one another.

Pf: Let (P, p) and (Q, q) be two couples in one plane having the same equal moments in magnitude and direction. Let (R, r) be a third couple in the same plane, whose moment is equal to the moment of either (P, p) or (Q, q) only in magnitude but opposite in direction.

By the thd. of equilibrium of two couples the couple (R, r) will balance the couple (P, p) .

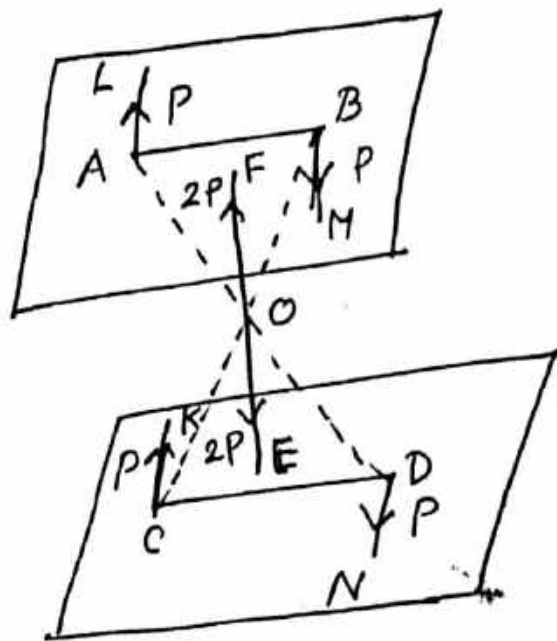
It will also balance the couple (Q, q) .

Hence the effects of the couples (P, p) and (Q, q) must be the same ^{otherwise} ~~or~~ they are equivalent.

Couples in Parallel Planes : Thm 3 :

Statement : The effect of a Couple upon a rigid body is not altered if it is transferred to a Parallel Plane Provided its moment remains unchanged in magnitude and direction.

Proof : Consider a Couple of Forces P at the ends of arm AB in a given Plane.
Let AL and BM be the lines of action of the forces.
In any Parallel Plane take a st. line CD equal and Parallel to AB .



Then $ABCD$ will be Parallelogram. The diagonals AD and BC will bisect each other at O .

At O introduce two equal and opposite forces of magnitude $2P$ along EF, Parallel to the forces P at A and B. By this the effect of the given Couple is not altered.

Now the unlike Parallel forces P along AL and $2P$ along OE can be compounded into a single force P acting at D. Since $\frac{AD}{OD} = \frac{2}{1} = \frac{2P}{P}$

This resultant force P acts along DN in the

Second Plane.

Similarly the unlike Parallel forces P along BM and $2P$ along OF can be compounded into a single force P acting at C along CK.

Therefore left with a Couple of forces P at the end of the arm CD is a Plane Parallel to that of Original Couple.

(i) The given Couple with the arm AB is equivalent to another Couple of the same moment in a Parallel Plane, having its arm CD equal and \parallel^{el} to AB.

Now this Couple with arm CD can be replaced in its own Plane by another Couple, provided the moment is unchanged in magnitude and direction as is equivalence of two Couples.

Hence a Couple in any Plane can be replaced (5)
by another Couple acting in a Parallel Plane,
provided that moments of the two Couples are
the same in magnitude and sign.

Representation of a Couple by a Vector

A Couple is specified if we know

- (i) the direction of the set of Parallel Planes.
- (ii) the magnitude of its moment
- (iii) the sense in which it acts.

These three aspects of a Couple can be conveniently
represented by a st. line drawn

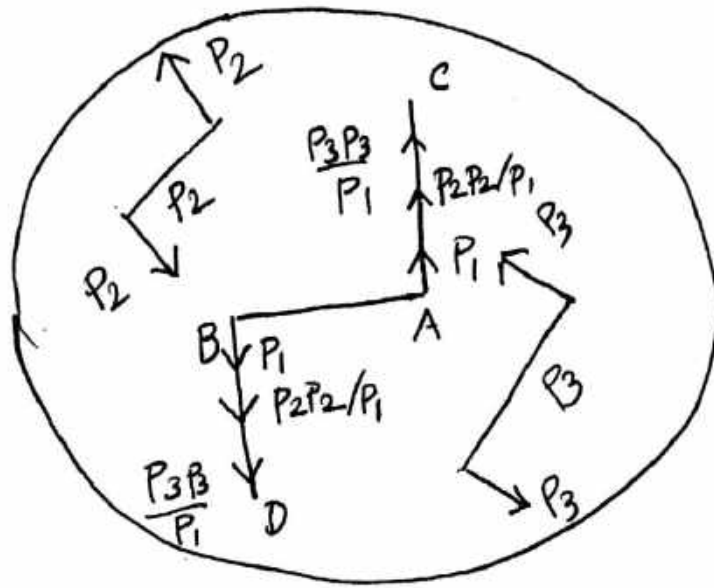
- (i) Perpendicular to the set of Parallel Planes to
indicate the direction.
- (ii) of a measured length to indicate the moment
of the Couple.
- (iii) in a definite direction to indicate the sense of
the moment.

Such a Vector which is represent a Couple
is called the axis of the Couple.

Resultant of Coplanar Couples:

Thm 4: The resultant of any number of couples in the same plane on a rigid body is a single couple whose moment is equal to the algebraic sum of the moments of the several couples.

Proof:



Let (P_1, P_1) , (P_2, P_2) , (P_3, P_3) etc. be a number of couples acting in the same plane upon a body.

Let AB be the arm P_1 of the first couple (P_1, P_1) whose component forces P_1 act along AC and BD

The moment of the second couple $(P_2, P_2) = P_2 \cdot P_2$

This couple can be replaced by an equivalent couple having its arm along AB and having its forces along AC and BD.

If F is the force of such a replacing Couple (6)
We have $F \cdot P_1 = P_2 P_2 \Rightarrow F = \frac{P_2 P_2}{P_1}$

Thus the Couple (P_2, P_2) is replaced by another Couple whose arm coincides with AB and whose Component Force along AC and BD are magnitude $\frac{P_2 P_2}{P_1}$

IIIrd The Couple (P_3, P_3) is replaced by a Couple $(\frac{P_3 P_3}{P_1}, P_1)$ with the forces $\frac{P_3 P_3}{P_1}$ along AC and BD .

This Process is repeated for the other Couples.

At Last we get a single Couple with the arm AB each of whose Component forces is

$$P_1 + \frac{P_2 P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_3 P_3}{P_1} + \dots$$

The moment of this resultant Couple

$$= \left[P_1 + \frac{P_2 P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_3 P_3}{P_1} + \dots \right] \cdot P_1$$

$$= P_1 P_1 + P_2 P_2 + \dots$$

= algebraic Sum of the moments of the several Couples.

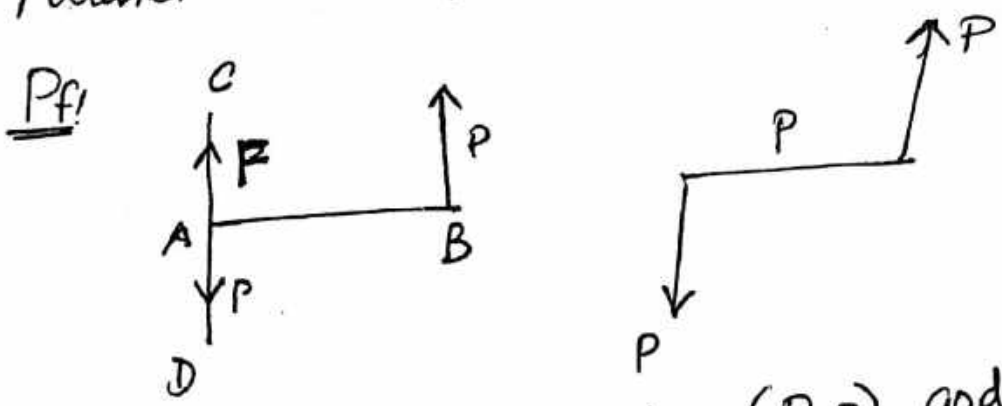
Hence the thm. is Proved.

Results:

- ① If all the Component Couples have not the same sign we have merely to give each its proper sign and the same proof will apply.
- ② If all the Couples do not lie in the same plane but in different \parallel planes, they can all be transferred into equivalent couples in one plane \parallel to the given planes and then their resultant can be found.

Resultant of a Couple and a Force

Thm 5: A Couple and a Single force acting on a body cannot be in equilibrium but they are equivalent to the single force acting at some other point parallel to its original direction.



Let the given Couple be (P, P) and the given force be F lying in the same plane.

Let F act along AC

Replace the Couple (P, P) by another Couple whose each force is equal to F .

If x be the length of the arm of this new Couple its moment is $F \cdot x = Pp$

$$\therefore x = \frac{Pp}{F}$$

Place this Couple such that one of its Component forces F acts at A along the line of action of the given force F but in the opposite direction.

(iv) it acts along AD

The original force F along AC and the force F along AD balance. We are left with a force F acting at B parallel to AC, as the statical equivalent of the system.

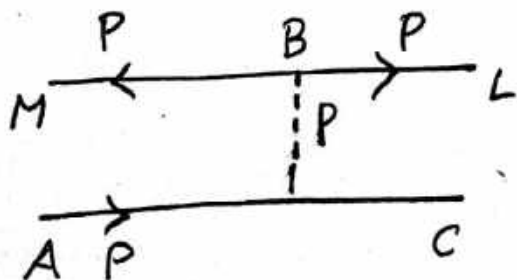
$$AB = x = \frac{Pp}{F}$$

Hence the couple (P, P) and the force F are equivalent force F , parallel to its original direction at a distance $\frac{Pp}{F}$ from its original line of action.

Thm 6: A force acting at any point A of a body is equivalent to an equal and parallel force acting at any other arbitrary point B of the body together with a couple.

Pr Let P be a force acting at A along AC and B any arbitrary point.

Let p be the distance of B from AC

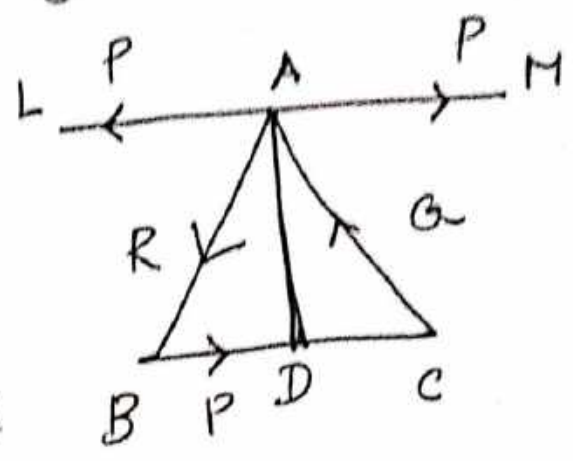


At B apply two equal and opposite forces (8) each equal and parallel to P along BL and BM. These two new forces being equal and opposite will have no effect on the body. Now the three forces acting on the body, the force P along BM and P along AC form a couple and the remaining is the force P acting at B \parallel to the original force. Thus the ~~statical~~ statical equivalent of the original force P at A is an equal and parallel force P at B together with a couple whose moment is Pp where p is the \perp^r distance of B from AC.

Thm 7: If three forces acting on a rigid body be represented in magnitude and direction and line of action by the sides of a triangle taken in order, they are equivalent to a couple whose moment is twice the area of the triangle.

Proof: Let P, Q, R be three forces acting on a rigid body and represented in magnitude, direction and line of action by the sides

BC, CA, AB of the $\Delta^{\text{ke}} ABC$. Through A draw LM \parallel to BC and $AD \perp BC$



At A, along AL and AM introduce two equal and opposite forces each equal to P. These two new forces being equal and opposite have no effect on the body.

Now the three forces P along AM, Q along CA, and R along AB act at the point A and they are completely represented by the sides of the ΔABC taken in order. Hence the triangle of the forces are in equilibrium. We are left with a force P along AL and a force P along BC.

These being two equal and opposite forces form a couple whose moment is

$$P \cdot AD = BC \cdot AD = 2 \Delta ABC.$$

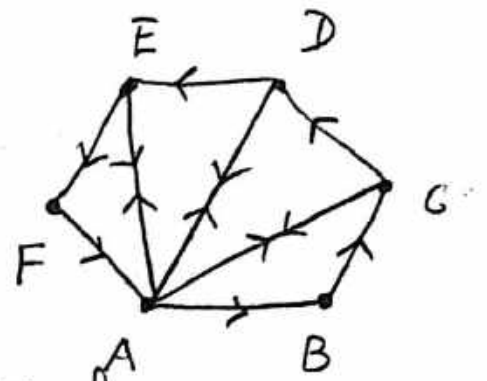
Hence the thm. is Proved.

Thm 8: If any number of forces acting on a rigid body be represented in magnitude, direction and line of action by the sides of a Polygon taken in order they are equivalent to a Couple whose moment is twice the area of the Polygon. (9)

Proof: Let the forces be represented by the sides AB, BC, CD, DE, EF and FA of the closed Polygon ABCDEF. Join AC, AD and AE.

Introduce along AC, AD and AE Pairs of equal and opposite

forces represented completely by these lines.



These new forces do not affect the resultant of the system.

Applying the 7 we get

$$\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA} = \text{a Couple whose moment is equal to } 2\Delta ABC$$

$$\overline{AC} + \overline{CD} + \overline{DA} = \text{a Couple whose moment is equal to } 2\Delta ACD$$

$$\overline{AD} + \overline{DE} + \overline{EA} = \text{a Couple whose moment is equal to } 2\Delta ADE$$

$\overline{AE} + \overline{EF} + \overline{FA} =$ a Couple whose moment is equal to $2\Delta AEF$

Now $\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CD} + \overline{DE} + \overline{EF} + \overline{FA} =$ resultant of four Couples

$=$ a single Couple whose moment is equal to

$2(\Delta ABC + \Delta ACD + \Delta ADE + \Delta AEF)$

Hence the resultant is a Couple whose moment is equal to twice the area of the Polygon

ABCDEF.

Problems:

① ABC is an equilateral triangle of side a . D, E, F divide the sides BC, CA, AB respectively in the ratio 2:1. Three forces each equal to P act at D, E, F Perpendicularly to the sides and are outward from the triangle. Prove that they are equivalent to a Couple of moment $\frac{Pa}{2}$.

Soln Let O be the Circumcentre of the equilateral triangle and A', B', C' be the mid points of the sides BC, CA and AB respectively.

Now $OA' \perp$ to BC

Applying Thm. 6

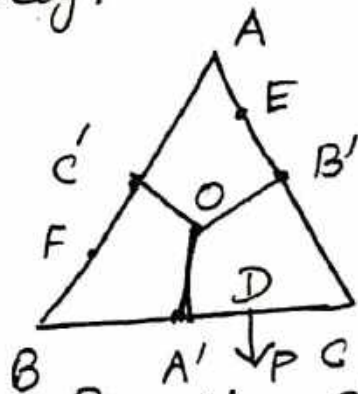
The force P acting at D \perp to BC is equivalent to a Parallel force P acting at O along OA' together with a Couple whose moment

$$= P \cdot A'D = P \cdot [A'C - DC]$$

$$= P \cdot \left[\frac{a}{2} - \frac{a}{3} \right] = \frac{Pa}{6}$$

Similarly the force P acting at E \perp to CA is replaced by a Parallel force P acting at O

along OB' together with a Couple whose moment is $\frac{Pa}{6}$



The force P acting at $F \perp^r$ to AB is replaced by a Parallel force P acting at O along OC' together with a Couple whose moment is $\frac{Pa}{6}$

The three equal forces P acting $O \perp^r$ to the sides of the Δ^k are in equilibrium by the \perp^r triangle of forces.

\therefore The three Couples having the same moment

$\frac{Pa}{6}$ each in the same direction are equivalent to a single Couple whose moment is

$$3 \cdot \frac{Pa}{6} = \frac{Pa}{2}$$

Hence the condition is Proved.

② Five equal forces act along the sides AB, BC, CD, DE, EF of a regular hexagon. Find the sum of the moments of these forces about a point Q on AF at a distance x from A . Interpret the result and explain why it is so.

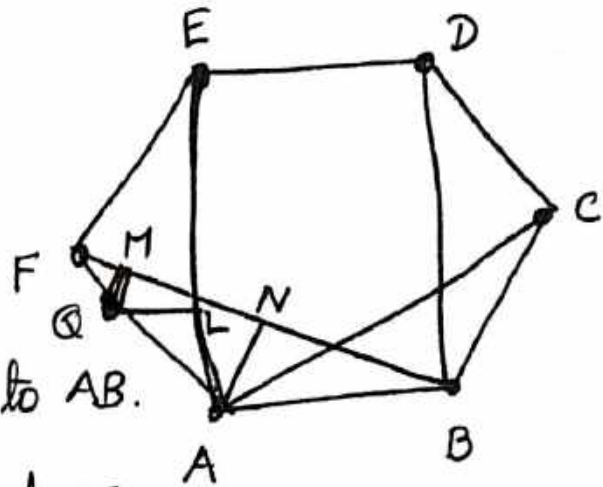
Sol: Let a be the length of each side of the regular hexagon. Each interior angle of the regular hexagon is 120°

W.K.T

$AB \parallel DE$; $BC \parallel EF$;

$DC \parallel EF$

$FB \perp BC$, AE and $DB \perp$ to AB .



Let equal force P act along the sides AB, BC, CD, DE and EF .

Q is a point on $AF \Rightarrow AQ = x$.

From Q draw $QL \perp$ to EA and $QM \perp$ to BF .

Let $AN \perp$ to BF

$$FB = FN + NB = a \cos 30^\circ + a \cos 30^\circ \quad \left[\because \Delta AFN \right. \\ \left. \cos 30^\circ = \frac{FN}{AF} = \frac{FN}{a} \right. \\ \left. \Delta ABN \cdot \right. \\ \left. \cos 30^\circ = \frac{BN}{AB} = \frac{BN}{a} \right]$$

$$= 2a \cos 30^\circ = 2a \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Moment of P along AB about Q

$$= P \cdot AL = P \cdot x \cos 30^\circ \quad (\text{From the right angle } \Delta AQL)$$

$$= P x \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

Moment of P along BC about Q

$$= P \cdot MB = P [FB - FM]$$

$$= P [2a \cos 30^\circ - (a-x) \cos 30^\circ] \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \because AF = a \\ AQ = x \end{array} \right.$$

$$= P (2a - a + x) \cos 30^\circ$$

$$= P(a+x) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

Moment of P along CD about Q

$$= P \cdot AC \quad \left[\because AF \parallel CD \text{ and } AC \perp CD \right]$$

$$= P \cdot 2a \cos 30^\circ = P \cdot \cancel{2a} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\cancel{2}} = \cancel{2} a \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (3)$$

Moment of P along DE about Q

$$= P \cdot EL = P [AE - AL]$$

$$= P [2a \cos 30^\circ - x \cos 30^\circ]$$

$$= P (2a - x) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (4)$$

Moment of P along EF about Q

$$= P \cdot MF = P (a-x) \cos 30^\circ = P (a-x) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow (5)$$

Add the eqns. from (1) to (5) we get

$$= P x \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + P(a+x) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \cancel{P} a \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + P(2a-x) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$+ P(a-x) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= P \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} [x + a + x + 2a + 2a - x + a - x] = P \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} 6a$$

$$= 3\sqrt{3} Pa = \text{a Constant.}$$

\therefore The sum of the moments of the five forces about any point on the sixth side AF is constant.

Introduce two equal and opposite forces each equal to P along the sixth side.

These two forces do not affect the resultant of the system.

We have seven forces. The moment of the new force P introduced along AF about Q is zero.

The other six forces act along the sides of a hexagon and are represented in magnitude, direction and line of action by the sides of a hexagon.

Hence by Thm. 8. They are equivalent to a couple whose moment is $2 \times$ area of the hexagon

$$= 2 \times 6 \times a^2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

$$= 3a^2\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3} aP$$