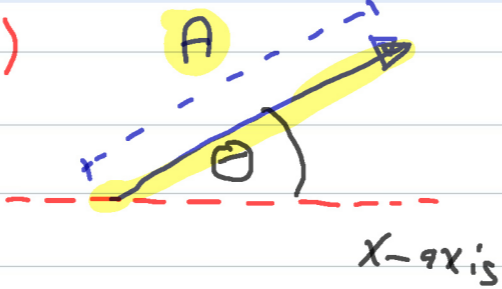


# Force VECTORS

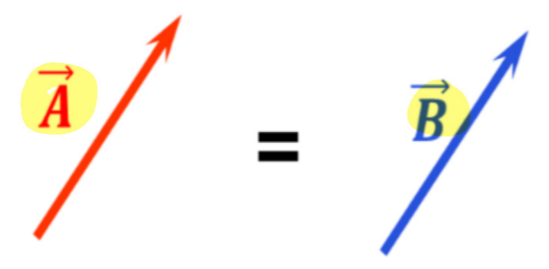
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\* **Vectors** } Magnitude (A)  
 } direction (θ)  
 Ex. Force, Velocity

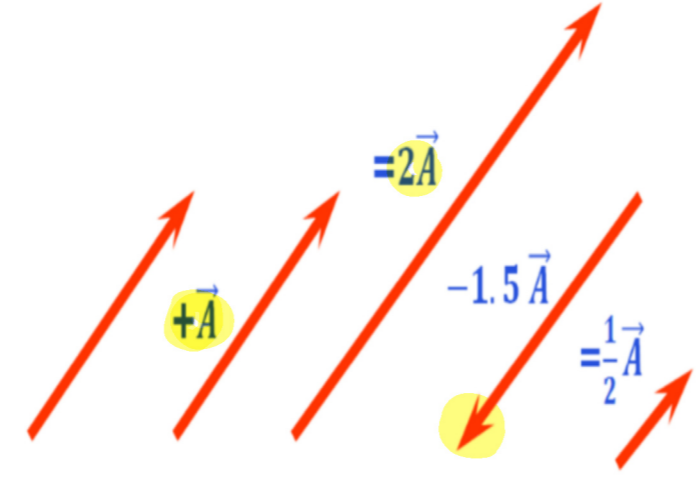


\* **Scalar** } only quantity (+, -)  
 } No-direction  
 Ex. Mass, Volume

➤ Vectors are **equal** when they have the **same magnitude** and **same direction**



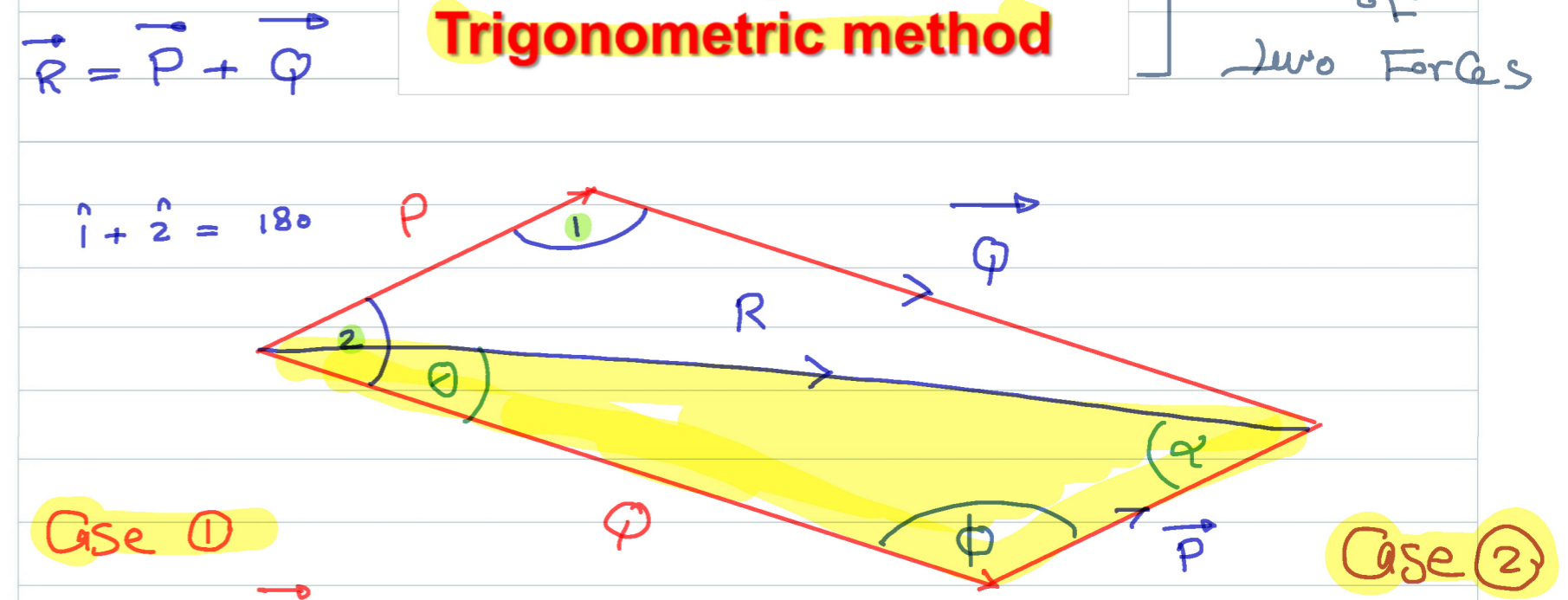
➤ Vectors can be simply **added** or **subtracted**, if they have the **same direction**



$\vec{A} + \vec{B} = \vec{C}$   
 A = 1, B = 5, C = 6

### Parallelogram Law

Trigonometric method } Resultant of two forces



**Case 1**  
 Given  $\vec{P}, \vec{Q}$  Required  $\vec{R}$   
 Mag direction

**Case 2**  
 Given  $\vec{R}$  Required  $\vec{P}, \vec{Q}$

1) Conclude internal angle between  $\vec{P}$  &  $\vec{Q}$  (φ)

1) Conclude all internal angle (θ, α, φ)

2) Magnitude ⇒ Cos law

2) Sine law

$$R = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2 - 2PQ \cos \phi}$$

3) direction ⇒ sin law

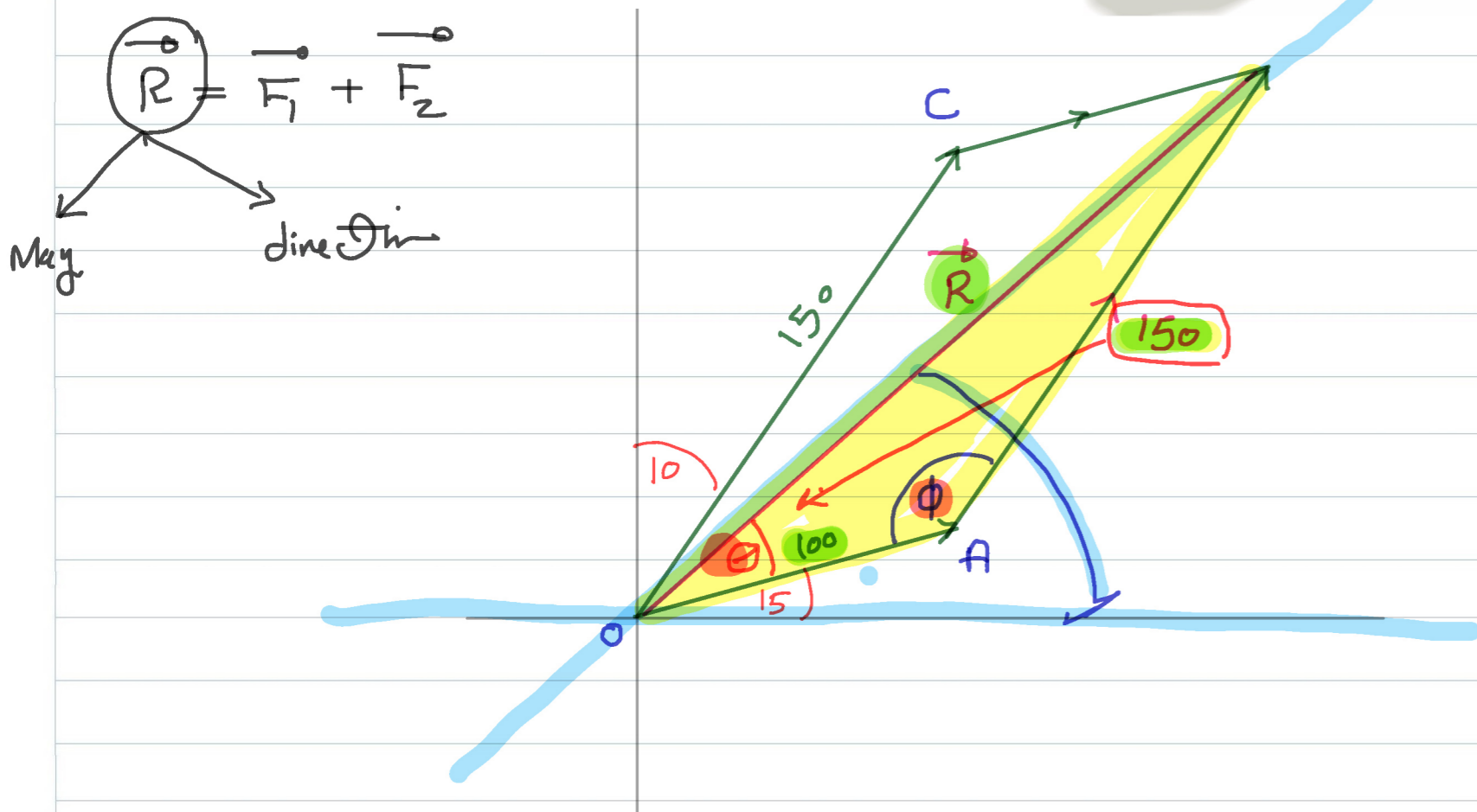
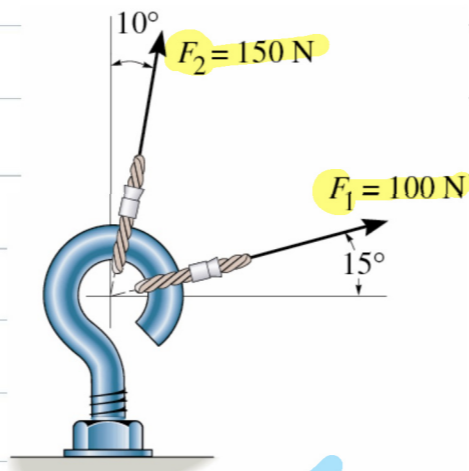
$$\frac{P}{\sin \theta} = \frac{Q}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{R}{\sin \phi}$$

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**Example 1:-**

The screw eye in the figure at the left is subjected to two forces  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $\vec{F}_2$ .

Determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant force.



① angle  $\angle C = 90 - 10 - 15 = 65^\circ$

$\phi = 180 - 65 = 115$

②  $R = \sqrt{150^2 + 100^2 - 2(150)(100) \cos 115}$   
 $= 213 \text{ N}$

③ \*  $\log \sin$  direction  $\Rightarrow$  sin law

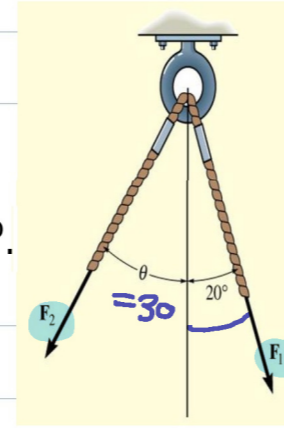
$$\frac{150}{\sin \theta} = \frac{213}{\sin 115}$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{150 \sin 115}{213} = 39.7^\circ$$

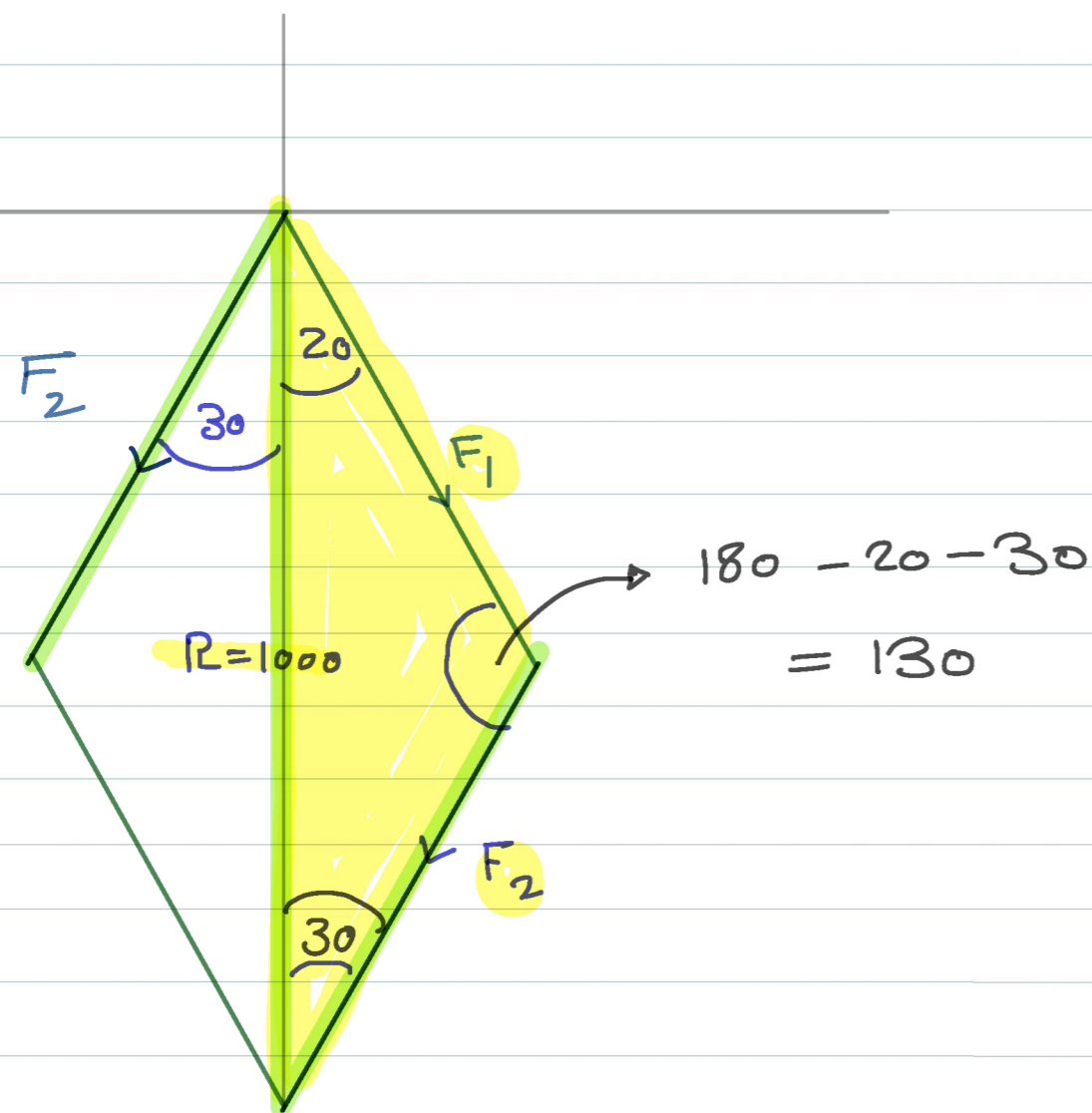
So angle =  $39.7 + 15 = 54.7$

**Example 2:-**

The ring below is subjected to  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . If we want a resultant force of 1kN and directed vertically downward, determine the magnitude of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  if  $\theta = 30^\circ$ .



$$R = 1000 \text{ N} \quad \downarrow$$

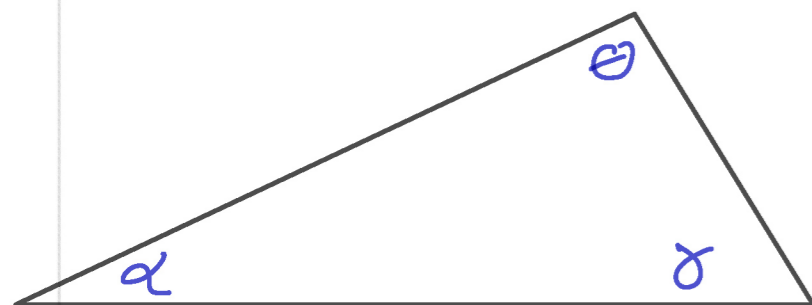
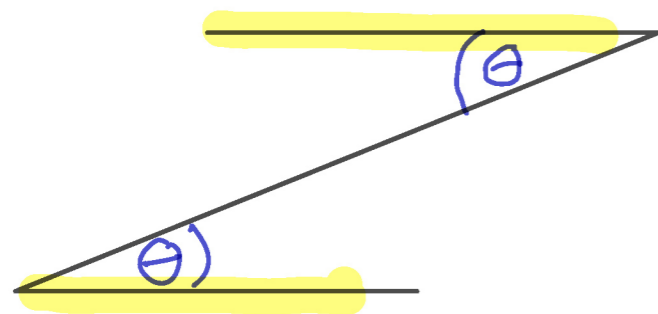
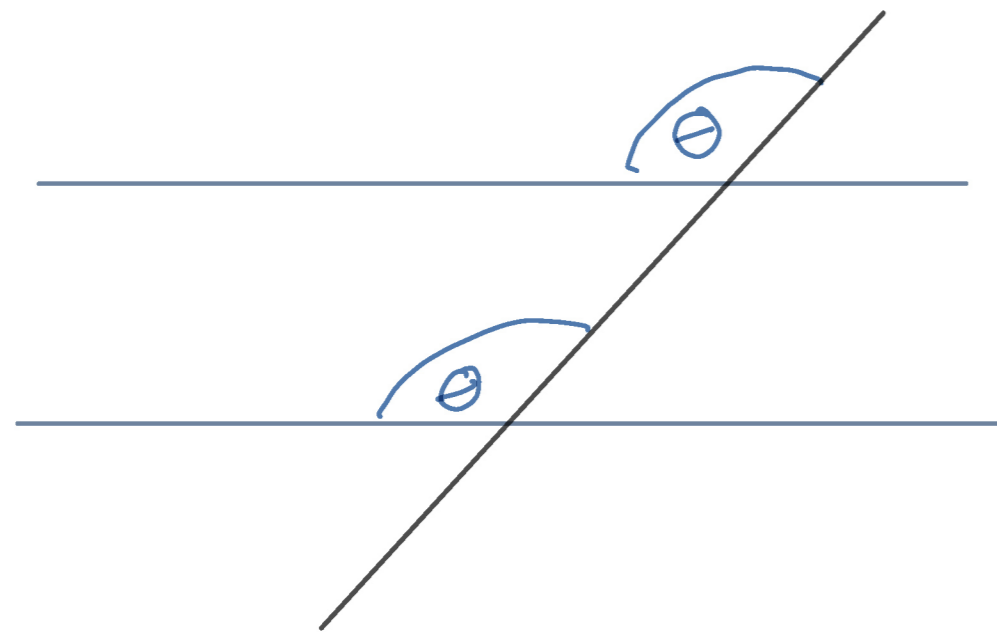


Sine law

$$\frac{F_1}{\sin 30} = \frac{F_2}{\sin 20} = \frac{1000}{\sin 130}$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1000 \sin 30}{\sin 130} = 653 \text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = \frac{1000 \sin 20}{\sin 130} = 446 \text{ N}$$



$$\theta + \alpha + \gamma = 180$$

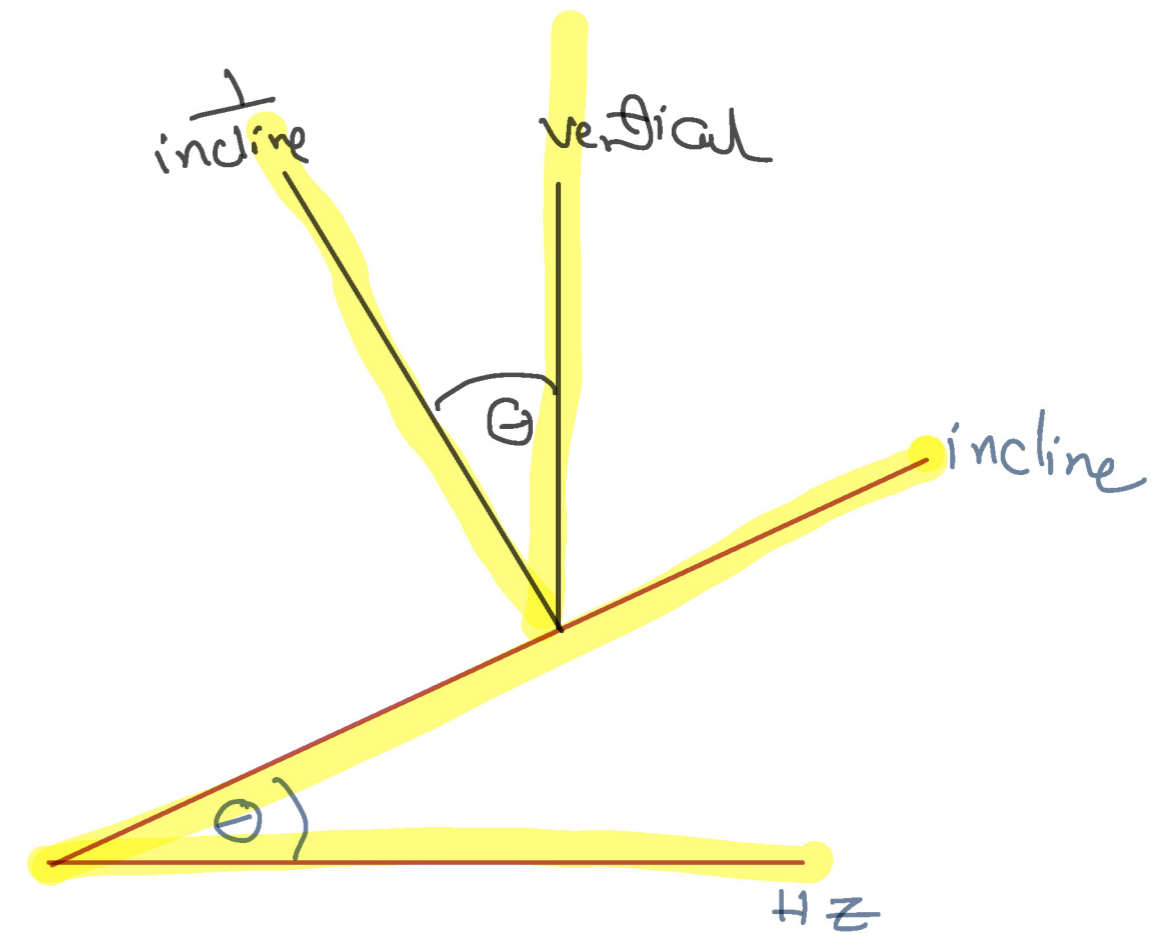
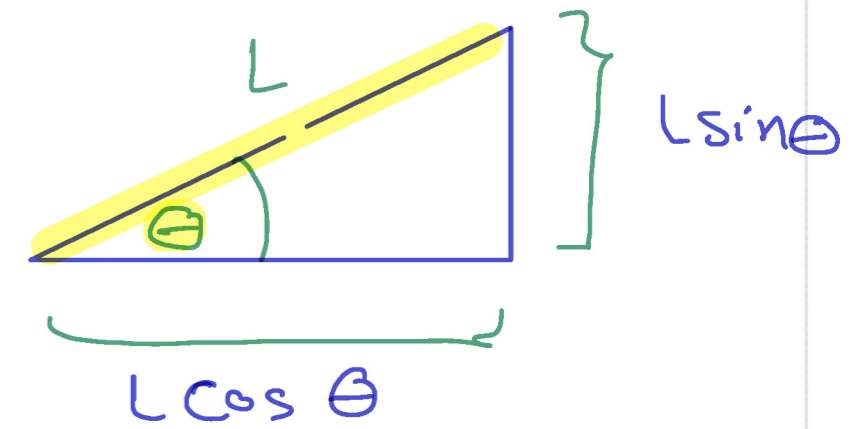
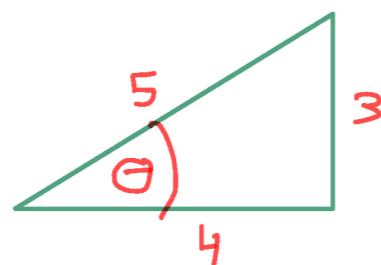


$$\theta + \alpha = 180$$

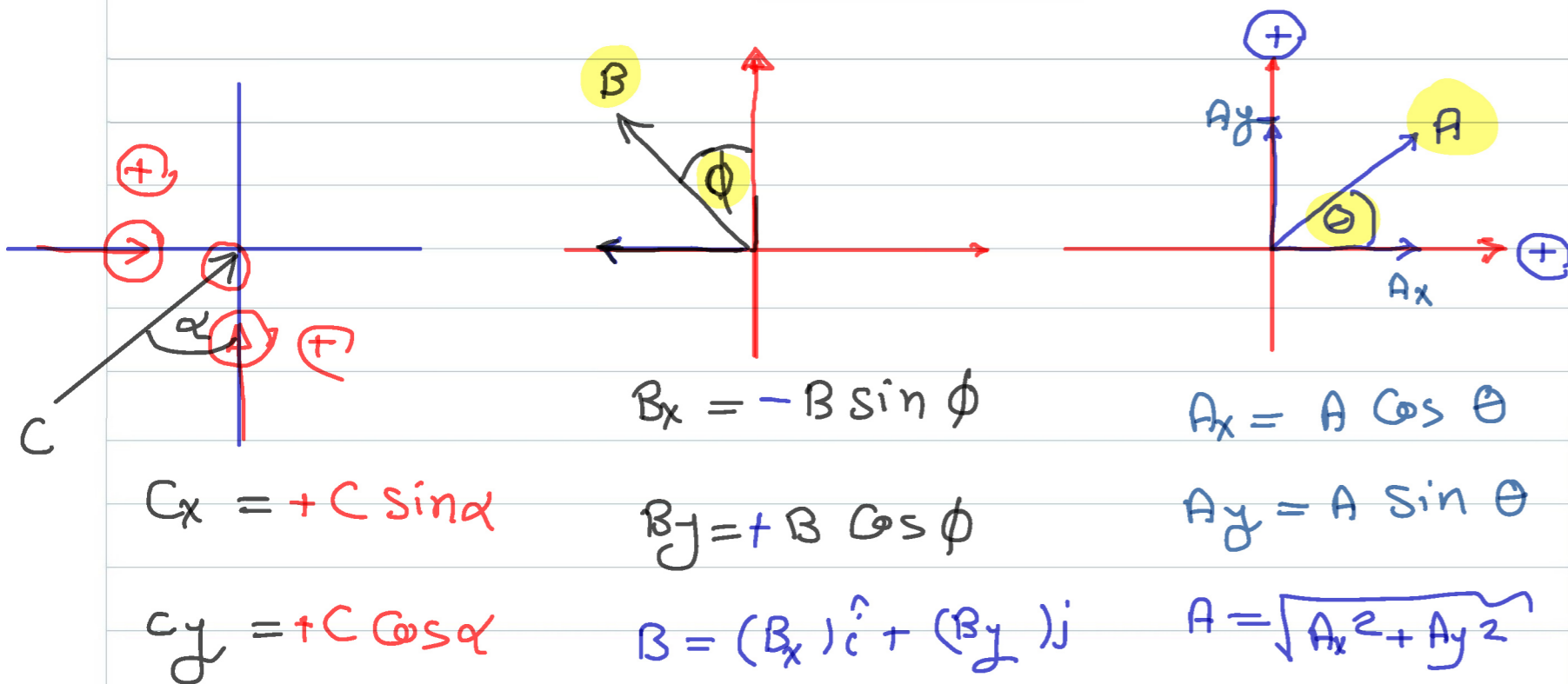
$$\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

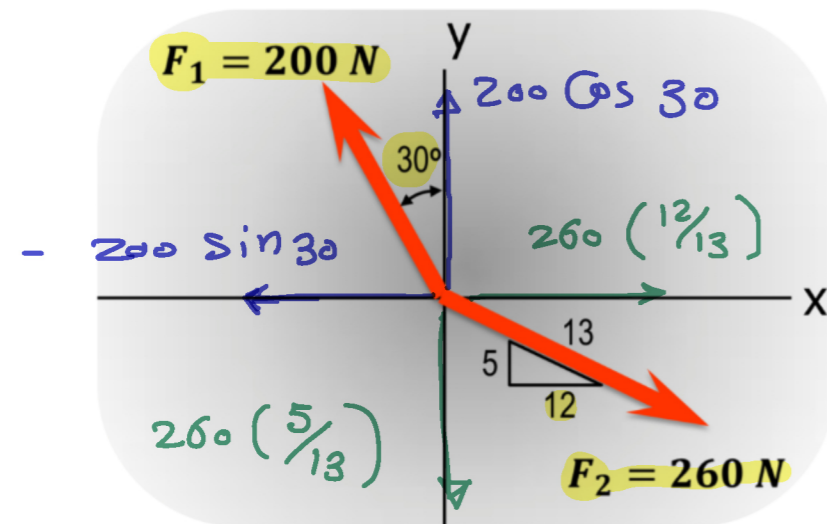
$$\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$$



## Rectangular/Cartesian Components Method



Determine the x and y Cartesian components of the  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  forces acting on the boom. Put each force in the Cartesian vector form.



$$F_{1x} = -200 \sin 30 = -100$$

$$F_{1y} = 200 \cos 30 = 173$$

$$F_{2x} = 260 \left(\frac{12}{13}\right) = 240$$

$$F_{2y} = -260 \left(\frac{5}{13}\right) = -100$$

$$F_1 = (-100)\mathbf{i} + (173)\mathbf{j}$$

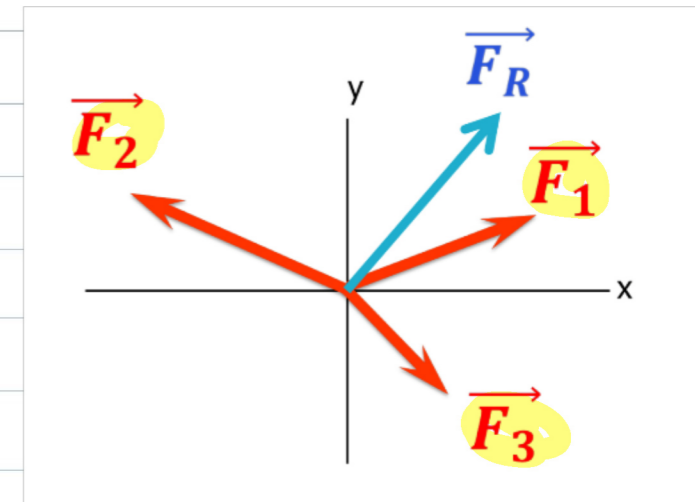
$$F_2 = (240)\mathbf{i} + (-100)\mathbf{j}$$

## Coplanar Force Resultants

More Than 2-Forces

① Resolve

$$\begin{matrix}
 F_{1x} & F_{2x} & F_{3x} \\
 F_{1y} & F_{2y} & F_{3y}
 \end{matrix}$$



②

$$F_{Rx} = \sum F_x = F_{1x} + F_{2x} + F_{3x}$$

$$F_{Ry} = \sum F_y = F_{1y} + F_{2y} + F_{3y}$$

$$\vec{R} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3$$

③

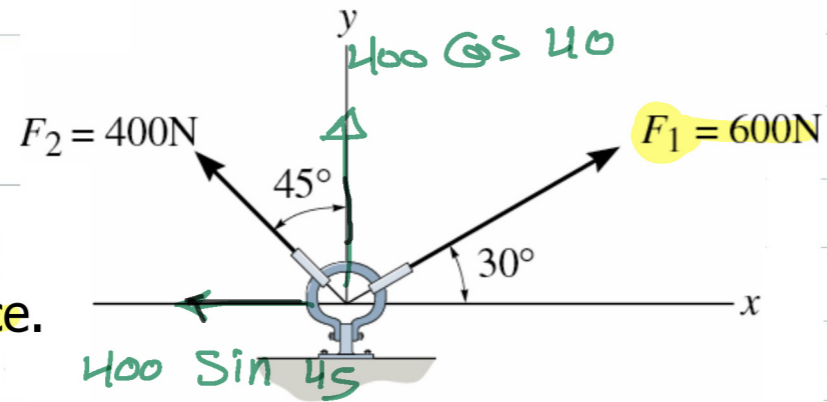
$$F_R = \sqrt{F_{Rx}^2 + F_{Ry}^2}$$

④

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{F_{Ry}}{F_{Rx}}$$

### Example 3:-

The link in the figure is subjected to two forces,  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . Determine the resultant magnitude and orientation of the resultant force.



### \* Resolve :-

$$F_{1x} = 600 \cos 30 = 519.6$$

$$F_{1y} = 600 \sin 30 = 300$$

$$F_{2x} = -400 \sin 45 = -282.8$$

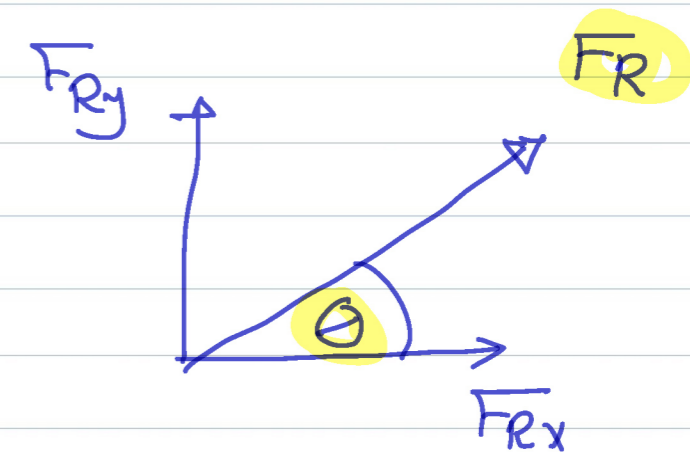
$$F_{2y} = 400 \cos 45 = 282.8$$

$$\begin{aligned} * F_{Rx} &= 519.6 - 282.8 \\ &= 236.8 \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{Ry} = 300 + 282.8 = 582.8$$

$$\begin{aligned} * F_R &= \sqrt{(236.8)^2 + (582.8)^2} \\ &= 629.1 \text{ (N)} \end{aligned}$$

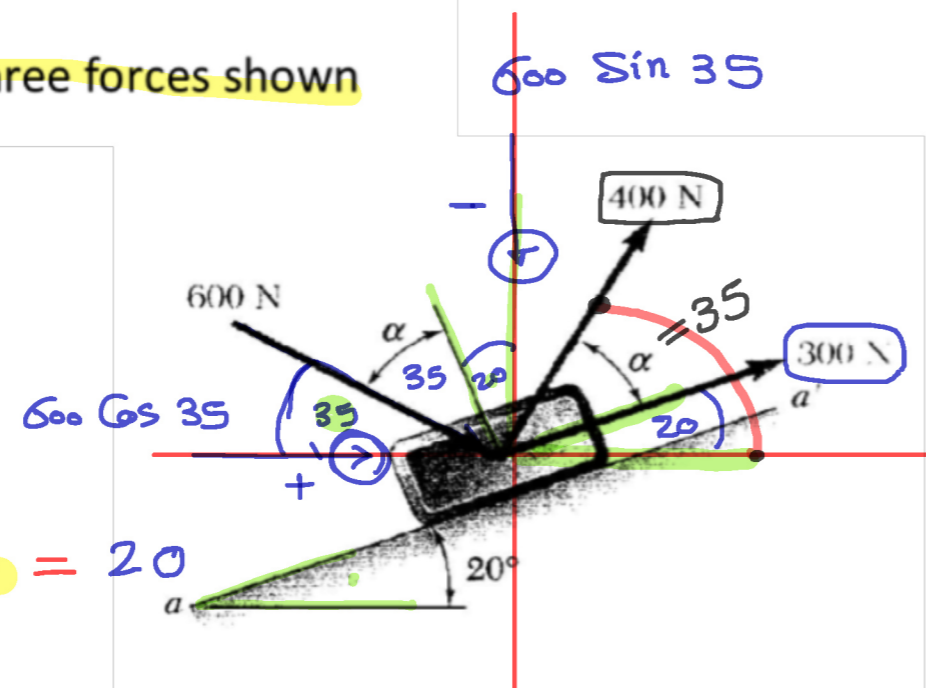
$$\begin{aligned} * \theta &= \tan^{-1} \frac{582.8}{236.8} \\ &= 67.9^\circ \end{aligned}$$



### Problem # 3

Knowing that  $\alpha = 35^\circ$ ,

**Determine:** The resultant of the three forces shown



\* Resolve: -

$$F_1 = 300$$

with angle with HZ =  $20^\circ$

$$F_{1x} = 300 \cos 20 = 281.9 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{1y} = 300 \sin 20 = 102.9 \text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = 400 \text{ N}$$

with angle with HZ =  $20 + 35 = 55^\circ$

$$F_{2x} = 400 \cos 55 = 229.4 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{2y} = 400 \sin 55 = 327.7 \text{ N}$$

$$F_3 = 600 \text{ N}$$

with angle with HZ =  $35^\circ$

$$F_{3x} = 600 \cos 35 = 491.5 \text{ N}$$

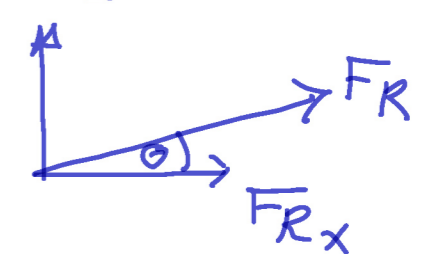
$$F_{3y} = -600 \sin 35 = -344.1 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{Rx} = \sum F_x = 281.9 + 229.4 + 491.5 = 1002.8 \text{ N}$$

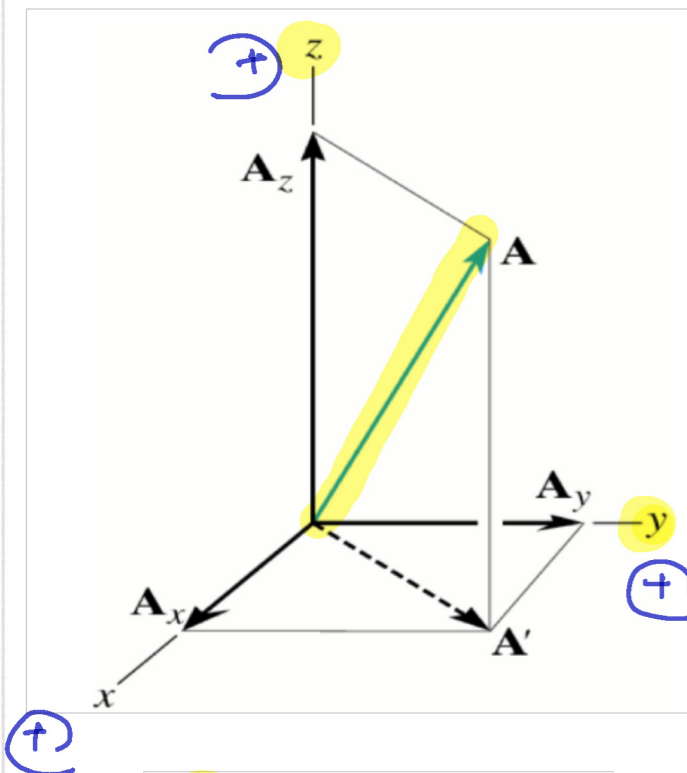
$$F_{Ry} = \sum F_y = 102.9 + 327.7 - 344.1 = 86.2 \text{ N}$$

$$F_R = \sqrt{(1002.8)^2 + (86.2)^2} = 1006.5 \text{ N}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{86.2}{1002.8} = 4.91^\circ$$



## 2.7. Cartesian Vectors



Unit Vectors in Coordinate Directions:

$\hat{i}, \hat{i}$ : Unit vector in the x-direction

$\hat{j}, \hat{j}$ : Unit vector in the y-direction

$\hat{k}, \hat{k}$ : Unit vector in the z-direction

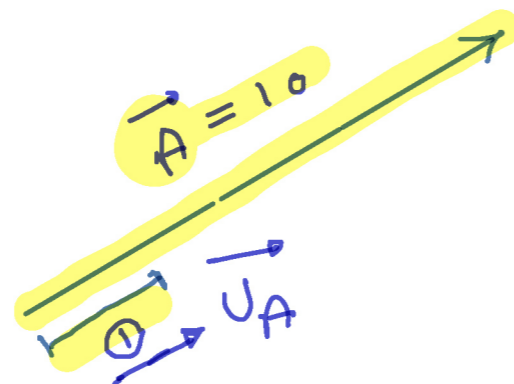
$$\vec{A} = (A_x)\hat{i} + (A_y)\hat{j} + (A_z)\hat{k}$$

### Unit Vectors

$$|\vec{u}_A| = 1$$

$$\vec{u}_A = \frac{\vec{A}}{|\vec{A}|} = \frac{\vec{A}}{A}$$

$$\vec{A} = |\vec{A}| \vec{u}_A$$



### Magnitude

$$A = |\vec{A}| = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2 + A_z^2}$$

$$\vec{u}_A = \left(\frac{A_x}{A}\right)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{A_y}{A}\right)\hat{j} + \frac{A_z}{A}\hat{k}$$

## Direction of a Cartesian Vector

Direction angles: -

- $\alpha$  angle with  $\oplus$  x-axis
- $\beta$  angle with  $\oplus$  y-axis
- $\gamma$  angle with  $\oplus$  z-axis

$$0 \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma \leq 180^\circ$$

Direction Cosines of A is

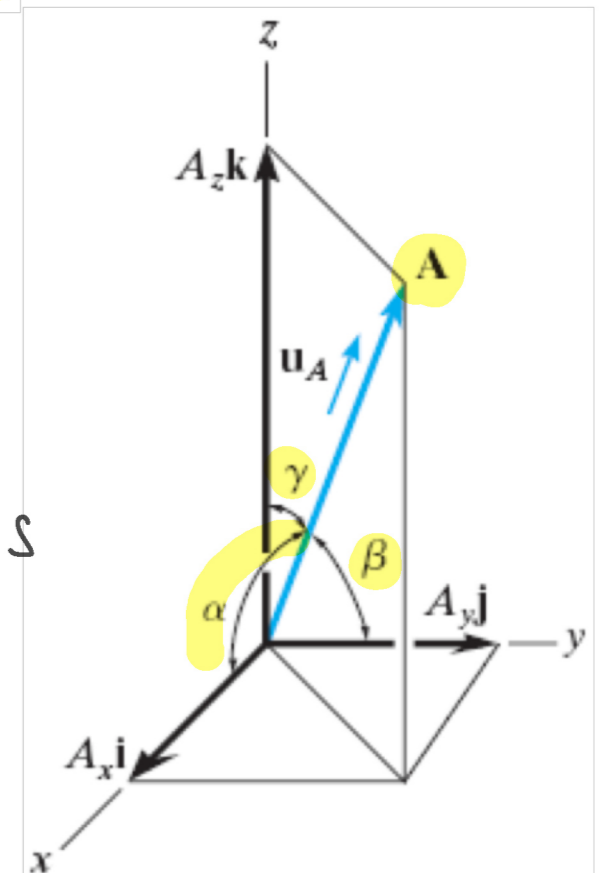
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{A_x}{A}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{A_y}{A}$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{A_z}{A}$$

$$\vec{u}_A = \cos \alpha \hat{i} + \cos \beta \hat{j} + \cos \gamma \hat{k}$$

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1$$

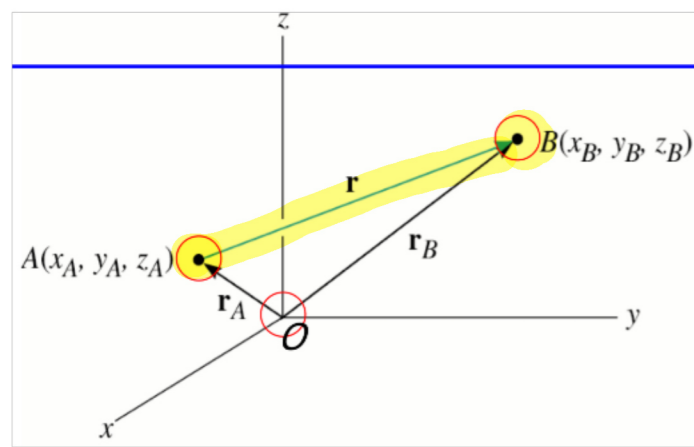
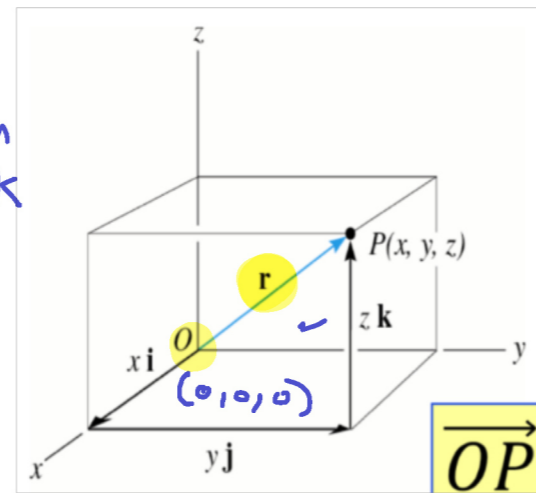




## 2.9. Coordinates of Relative Position Vectors

$$\vec{r} = \vec{OP}$$

$$= (x)\hat{i} + (y)\hat{j} + (z)\hat{k}$$



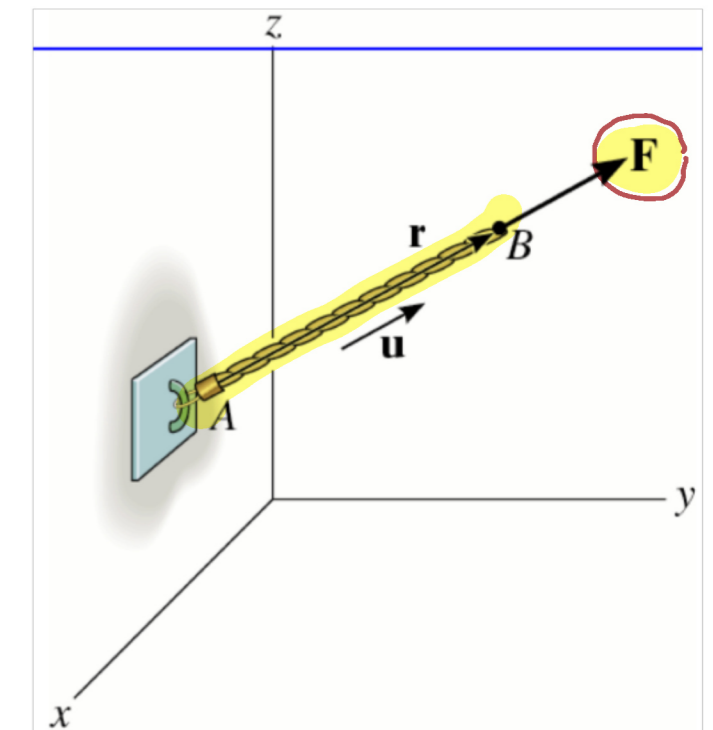
$$\vec{AB} = \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A$$

$$= (x_B - x_A)\hat{i} + (y_B - y_A)\hat{j} + (z_B - z_A)\hat{k}$$

## 2.10. Force Along a Line

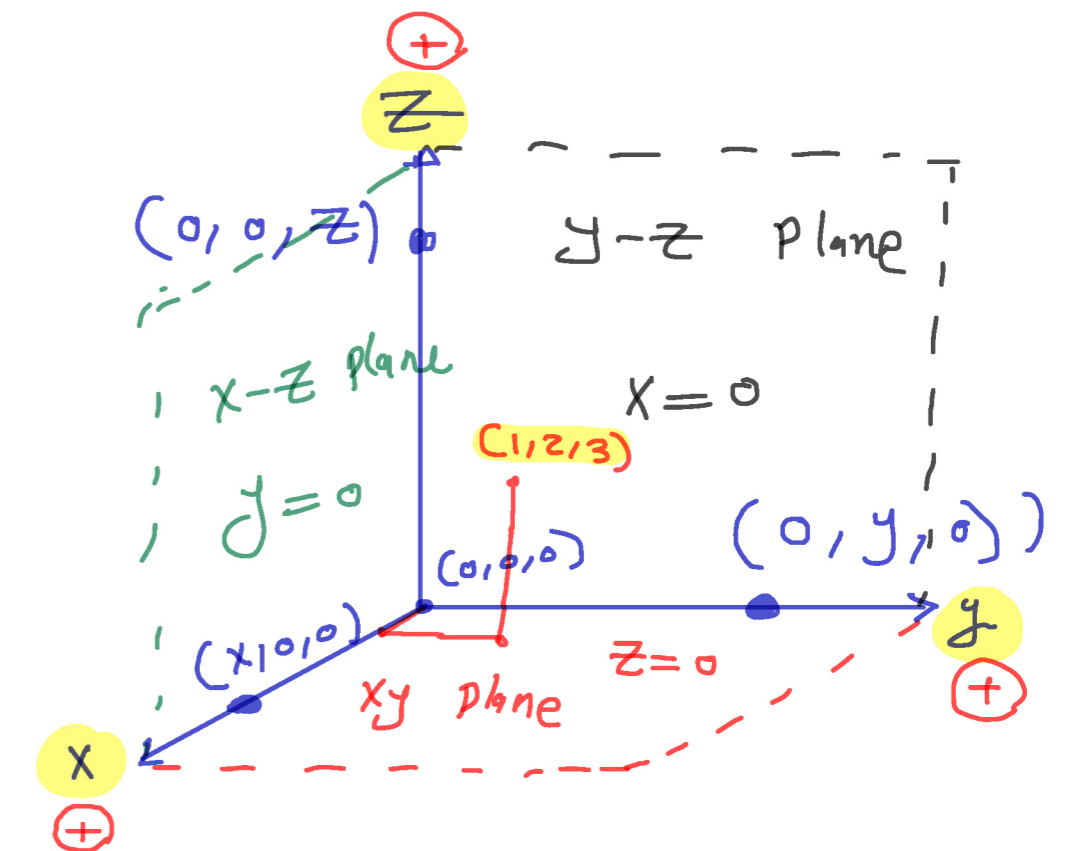
$$\vec{F} = F \vec{U}_{AB}$$

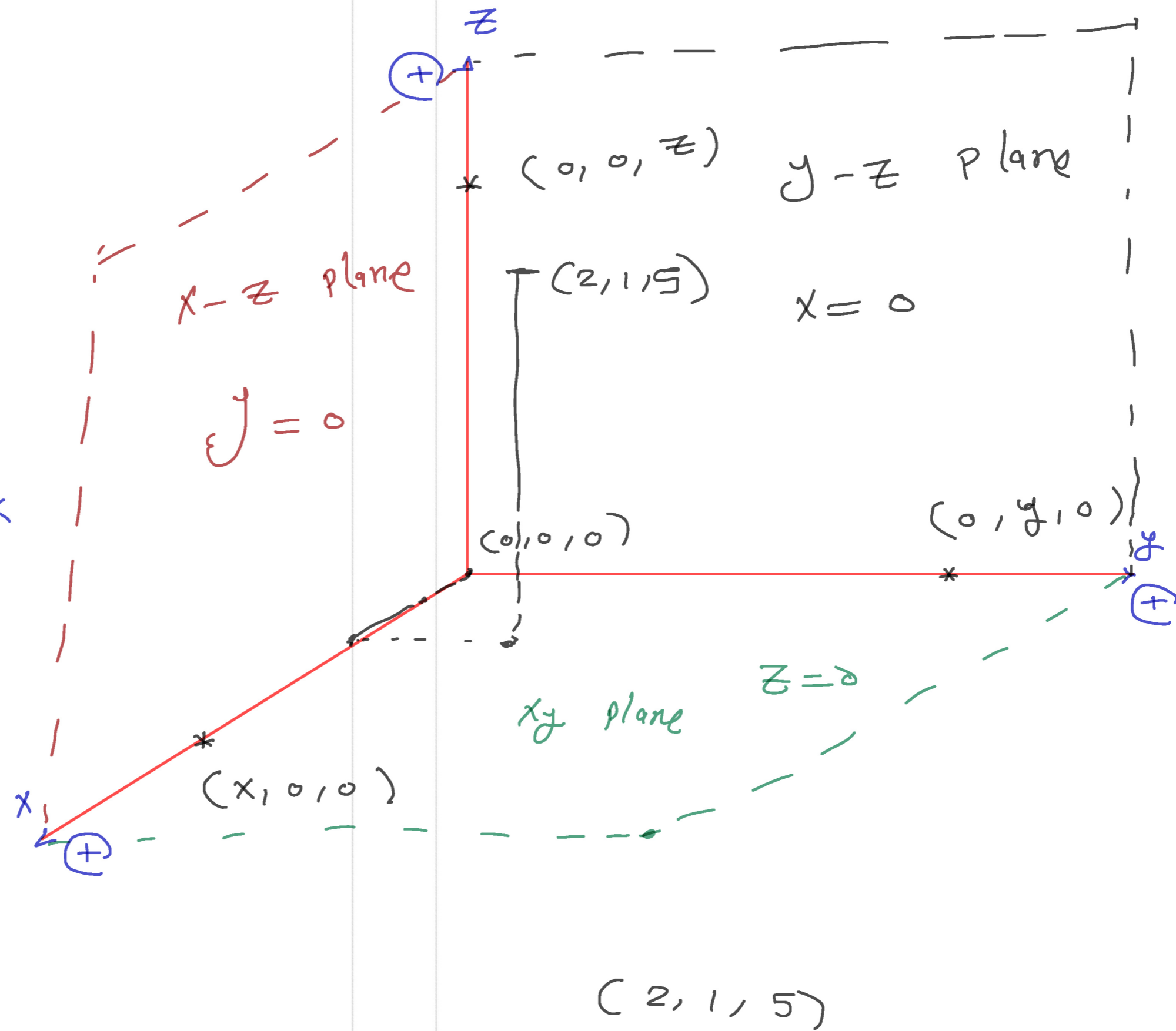
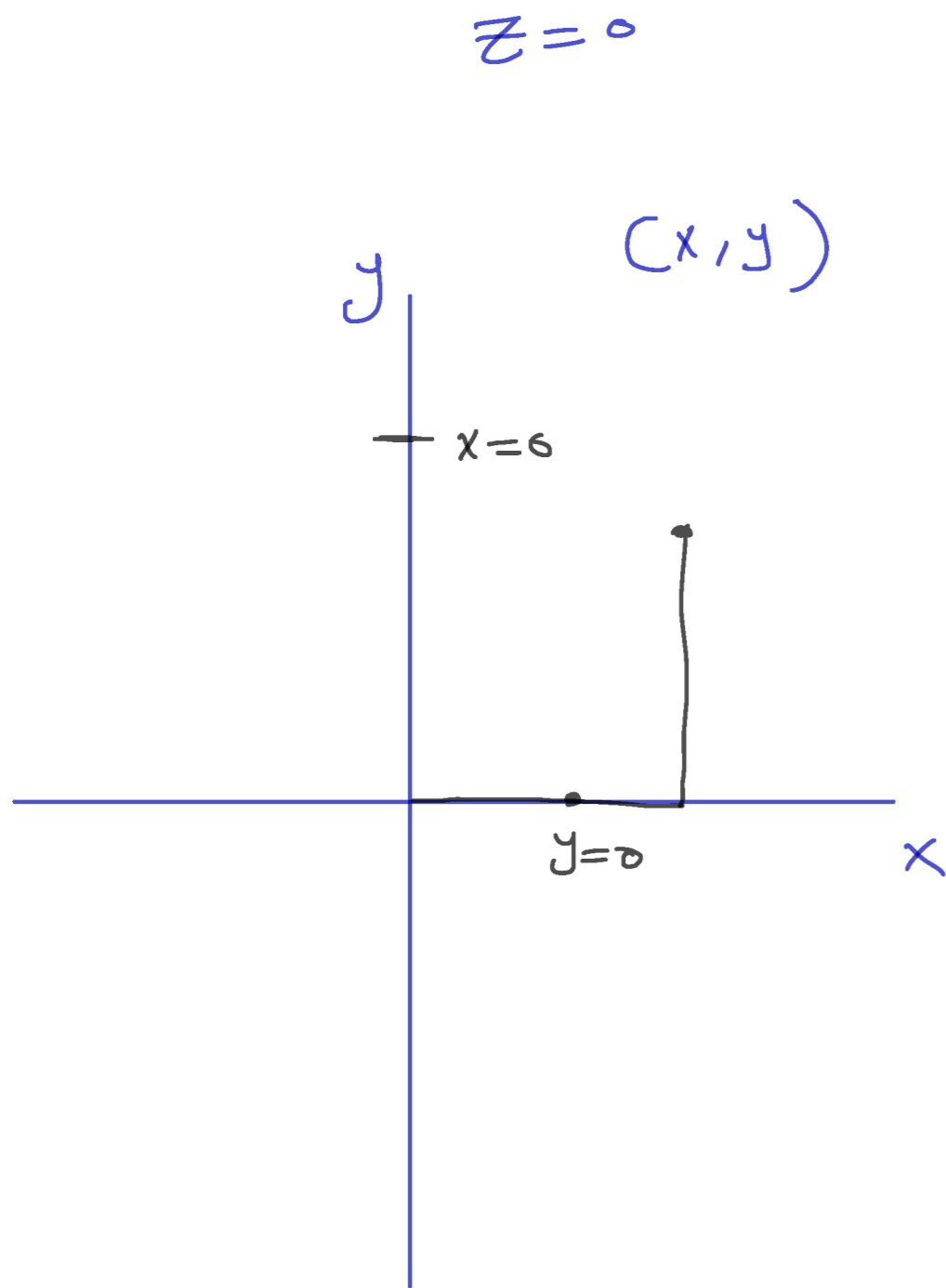
$$= F \frac{\vec{AB}}{|\vec{AB}|}$$



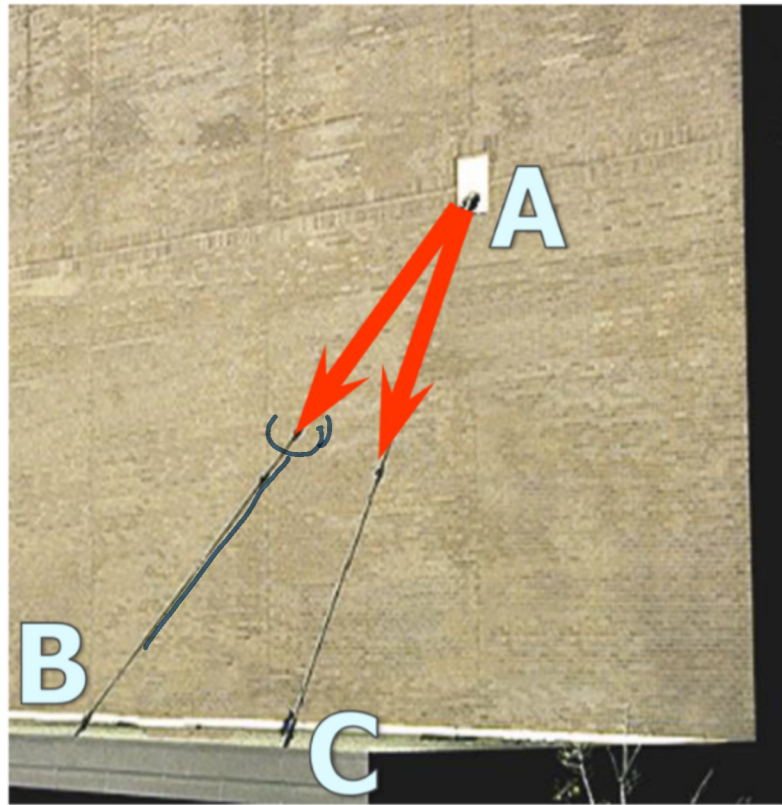
Direction of Force = Direction of Cable  
 Unit vector of Force = Unit vector of Cable

(1, 2, 3)





## Example



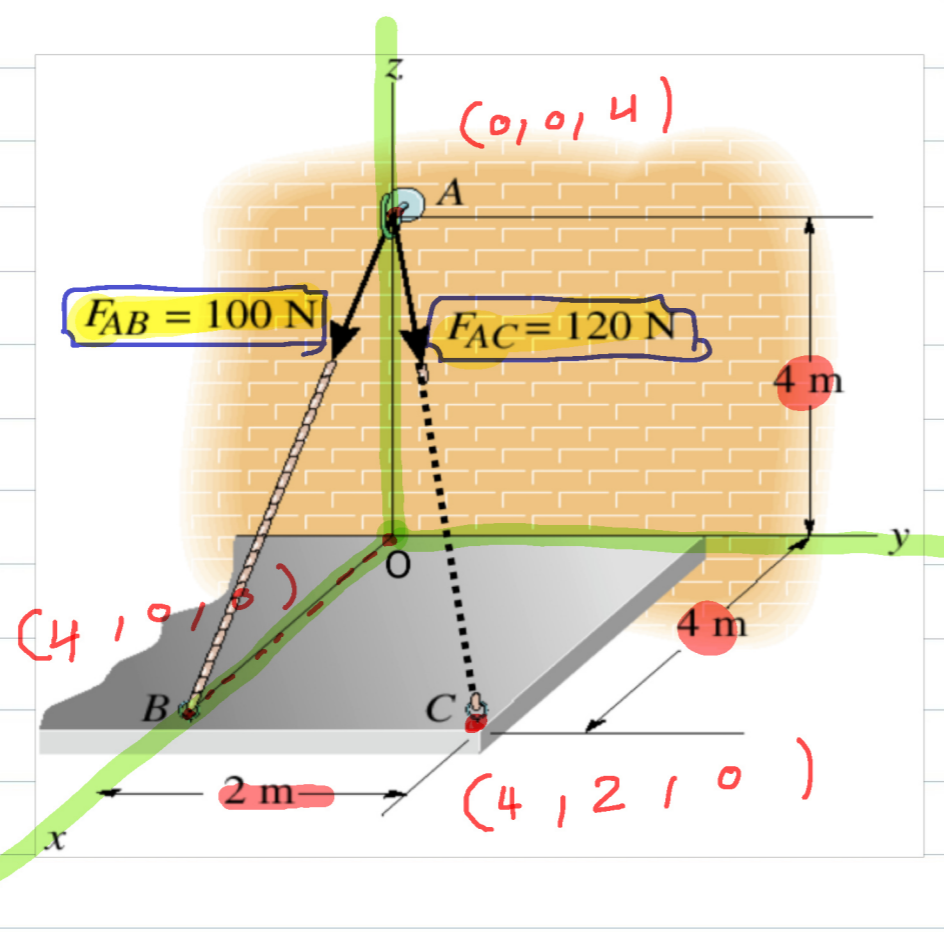
The roof is supported as shown. If the cables exert forces of  $F_{AB} = 100 \text{ N}$  and  $F_{AC} = 120 \text{ N}$  on the wall hook at A, determine the magnitude of the resultant force acting at A.

Step (A) Identify the absolute coordinates of all points (x, y, z)

$$A = (0, 0, 4)$$

$$B = (4, 0, 0)$$

$$C = (4, 2, 0)$$



Step (B) Identify the absolute position vectors

$$\vec{r}_A = \vec{OA} = (0)\hat{i} + (0)\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_B = \vec{OB} = 4\hat{i} + (0)\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{r}_C = \vec{OC} = 4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$$

Step (C) Identify the position vectors of the mechanical elements

$$\vec{AB} = \vec{r}_B - \vec{r}_A = (4)\hat{i} + (0)\hat{j} - (4)\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{AB}| = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (-4)^2} = 5.66 \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{AC} = \vec{r}_C - \vec{r}_A = (4)\hat{i} + (2)\hat{j} - (4)\hat{k}$$

$$|\vec{AC}| = \sqrt{(4)^2 + (2)^2 + (-4)^2} = 6 \text{ m}$$

Step (D) Find the unit position vectors

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u}_{AB} &= \frac{\vec{AB}}{|\vec{AB}|} = \frac{(4)\hat{i} - (4)\hat{k}}{5.66} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{5.66}\right)\hat{i} - \left(\frac{4}{5.66}\right)\hat{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{U}_{AC} = \frac{\vec{AC}}{|\vec{AC}|} = \frac{4\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - 4\hat{k}}{6}$$

$$= \frac{4}{6}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{6}\hat{j} - \frac{4}{6}\hat{k}$$

**Step (E) Identify the force vectors**

$$\vec{F} = F \vec{U}$$

$$\vec{F}_{AB} = 100 \vec{U}_{AB} = 100 \left( \frac{4}{5.60}\hat{i} - \frac{4}{5.60}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= 70.7\hat{i} - 70.7\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{F}_{AC} = 120 \vec{U}_{AC} = 120 \left( \frac{4}{6}\hat{i} + \frac{2}{6}\hat{j} - \frac{4}{6}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$= 80\hat{i} + 40\hat{j} - 80\hat{k}$$

**Step (F) Find the resultant force**

$$\vec{F}_R = \vec{F}_{AB} + \vec{F}_{AC}$$

$$= (70.7 + 80)\hat{i} + (40)\hat{j} + (-70.7 - 80)\hat{k}$$

$$= 150.7\hat{i} + 40\hat{j} - 150.7\hat{k}$$

**Step (G) Identify the magnitude and direction of the resultant**

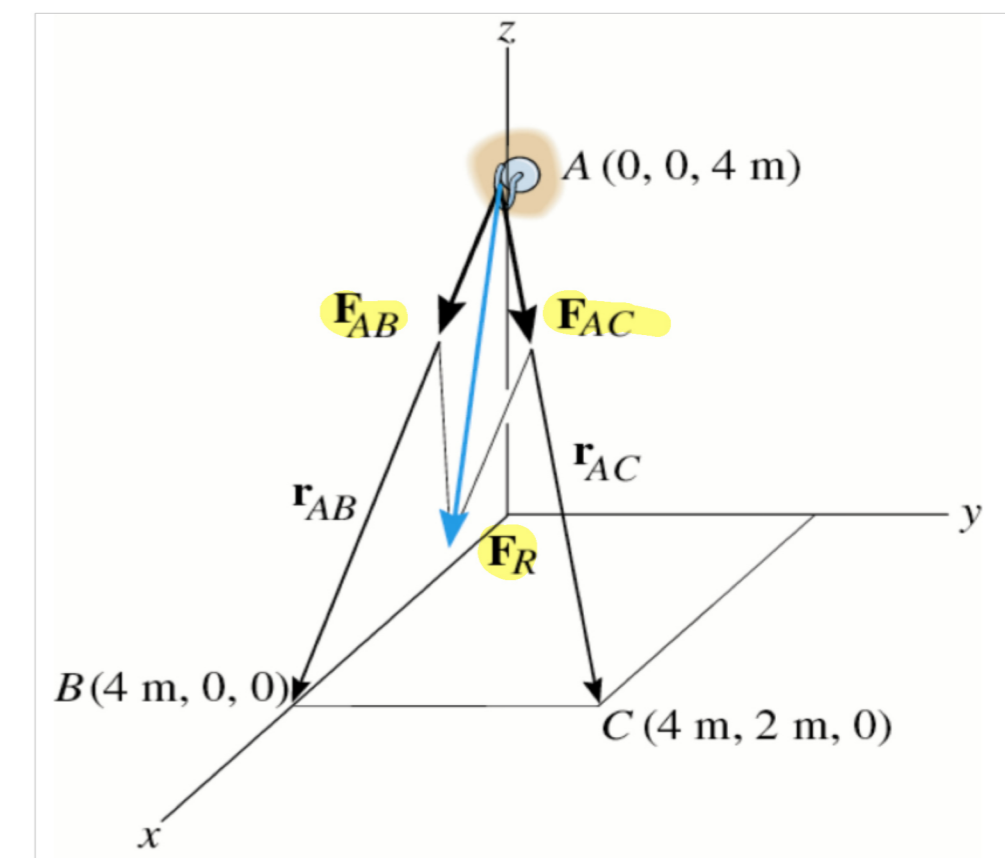
$$F_R = \sqrt{(150.7)^2 + (40)^2 + (-150.7)^2}$$

$$= 217 \text{ N}$$

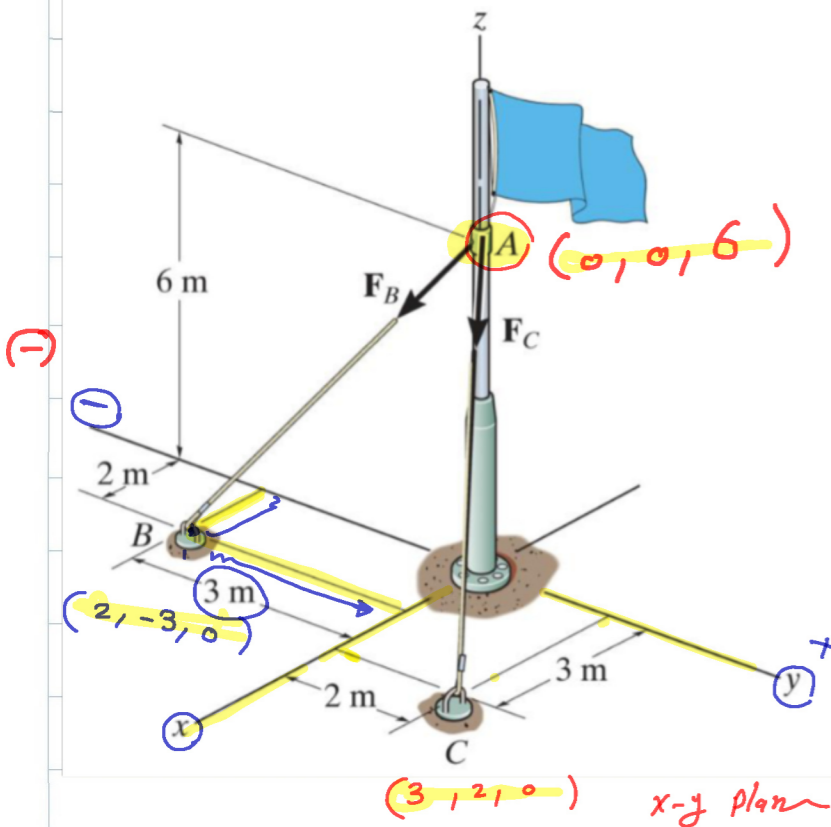
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{A_x}{A} = \frac{150.7}{217} \Rightarrow \alpha = \checkmark$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{A_y}{A} = \frac{40}{217} \Rightarrow \beta = \checkmark$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{A_z}{A} = \frac{-150.7}{217} \Rightarrow \gamma = \checkmark$$



## Try Yourself



**Given:** Two forces are acting on a flag pole as shown in the figure.  $F_B = 700$  N and  $F_C = 560$  N

**Find:** The magnitude and the coordinate direction angles of the resultant force.

**Step (A)** Identify the absolute coordinates of all points  $(x, y, z)$

**Step (B)** Identify the absolute position vectors

**Step (C)** Identify the position vectors of the mechanical elements

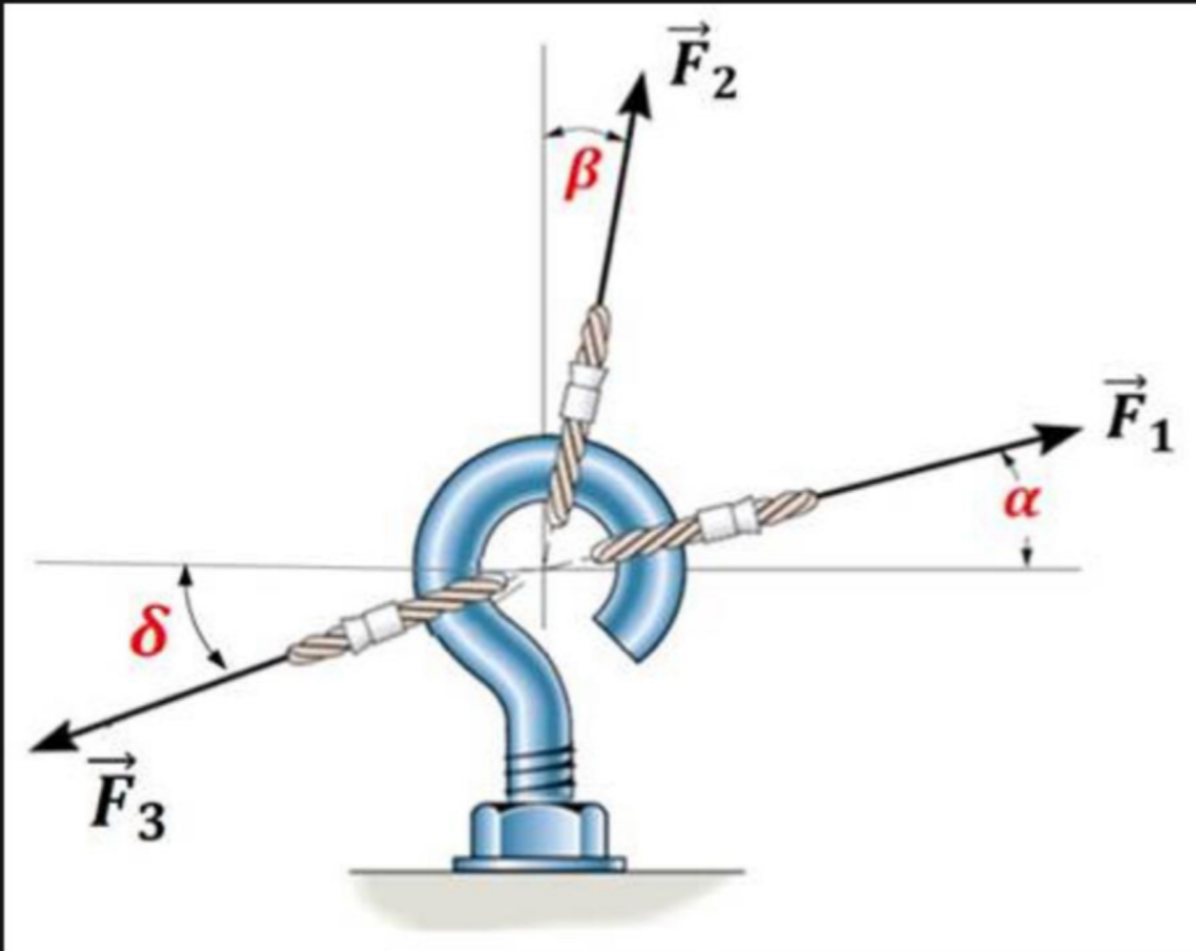
**Step (D)** Find the unit position vectors

**Step (E)** Identify the force vectors

**Step (F)** Find the resultant force

**Step (G)** Identify the magnitude and direction of the resultant

Determine the **magnitude** (  $R$  ) and **direction** (  $\theta$  ) of the resultant force  $\vec{R} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3$ , by resolving the force vectors into **Cartesian components** (using the projection method).



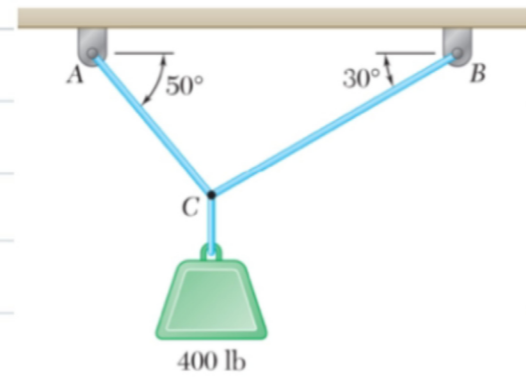
$F_1$	110 N
$F_2$	140 N
$F_3$	60 N
$\alpha$	34 degrees
$\beta$	25 degrees
$\delta$	20 degrees

### PROBLEM 2.43

Two cables are tied together at  $C$  and are loaded as shown.

Determine the tension ( $a$ ) in cable  $AC$ , ( $b$ ) in cable  $BC$ .

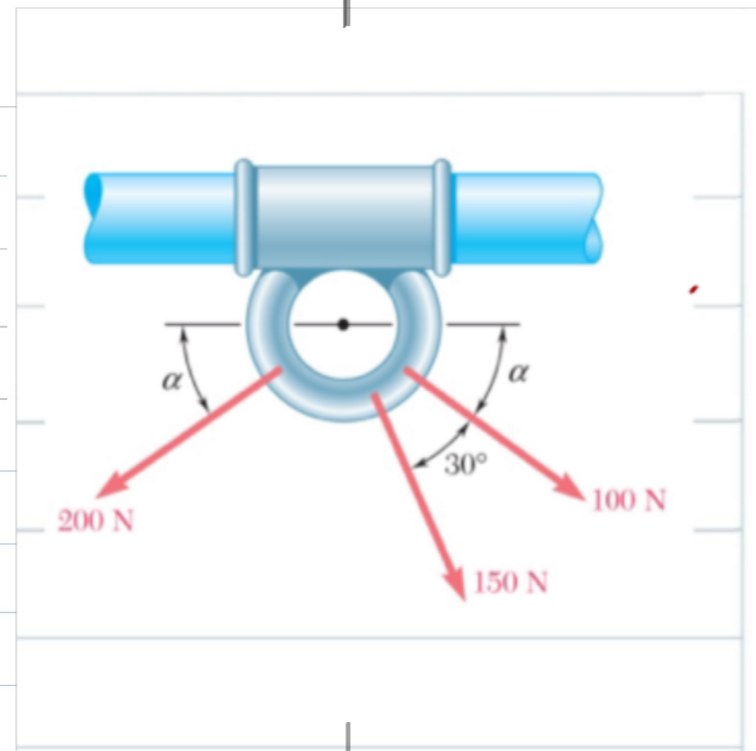
### SOLUTION





**PROBLEM 2.35**

Knowing that  $\alpha = 35^\circ$ , determine the resultant of the three forces shown.



## Sample Problem 2.1

Two forces **P** and **Q** act on a bolt **A**. Determine their resultant.

**STRATEGY:** Two lines determine a plane, so this is a problem of two coplanar forces. You can solve the problem graphically or by trigonometry.

**MODELING:** For a graphical solution, you can use the parallelogram rule or the triangle rule for addition of vectors. For a trigonometric solution, you can use the law of cosines and law of sines or use a right-triangle approach.

**ANALYSIS:**

**Graphical Solution.** Draw to scale a parallelogram with sides equal to **P** and **Q** (Fig. 1). Measure the magnitude and direction of the resultant. They are

$$R = 98 \text{ N} \quad \alpha = 35^\circ \quad \mathbf{R} = 98 \text{ N} \angle 35^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

You can also use the triangle rule. Draw forces **P** and **Q** in tip-to-tail fashion (Fig. 2). Again measure the magnitude and direction of the resultant. The answers should be the same.

$$R = 98 \text{ N} \quad \alpha = 35^\circ \quad \mathbf{R} = 98 \text{ N} \angle 35^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

**Trigonometric Solution.** Using the triangle rule again, you know two sides and the included angle (Fig. 3). Apply the law of cosines.

$$\begin{aligned} R^2 &= P^2 + Q^2 - 2PQ \cos B \\ R^2 &= (40 \text{ N})^2 + (60 \text{ N})^2 - 2(40 \text{ N})(60 \text{ N}) \cos 155^\circ \\ R &= 97.73 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

Now apply the law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin A}{Q} = \frac{\sin B}{R} \quad \frac{\sin A}{60 \text{ N}} = \frac{\sin 155^\circ}{97.73 \text{ N}} \quad (1)$$

Solving Eq. (1) for  $\sin A$ , you obtain

$$\sin A = \frac{(60 \text{ N}) \sin 155^\circ}{97.73 \text{ N}}$$

Using a calculator, compute this quotient, and then obtain its arc sine:

$$A = 15.04^\circ \quad \alpha = 20^\circ + A = 35.04^\circ$$

Use three significant figures to record the answer (cf. Sec. 1.6):

$$\mathbf{R} = 97.7 \text{ N} \angle 35.0^\circ \blacktriangleleft$$

**Alternative Trigonometric Solution.** Construct the right triangle **BCD** (Fig. 4) and compute

$$\begin{aligned} CD &= (60 \text{ N}) \sin 25^\circ = 25.36 \text{ N} \\ BD &= (60 \text{ N}) \cos 25^\circ = 54.38 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

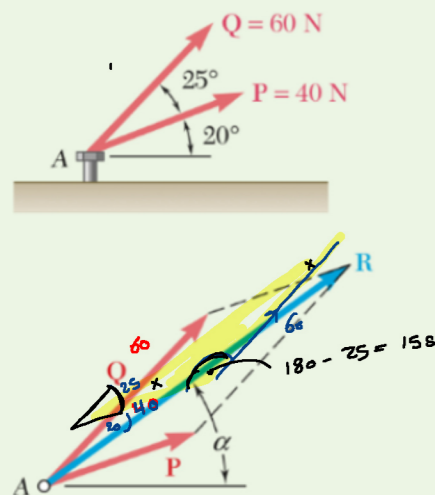


Fig. 1 Parallelogram law applied to add forces **P** and **Q**.

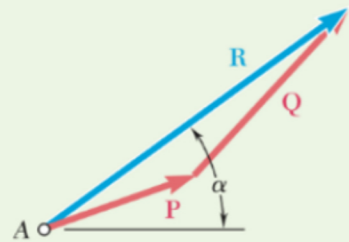


Fig. 2 Triangle rule applied to add forces **P** and **Q**.

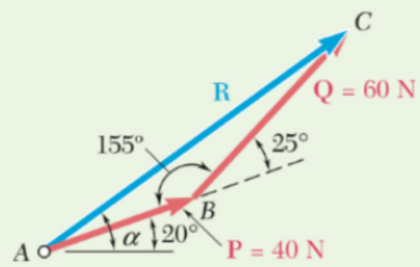


Fig. 3 Geometry of triangle rule applied to add forces **P** and **Q**.

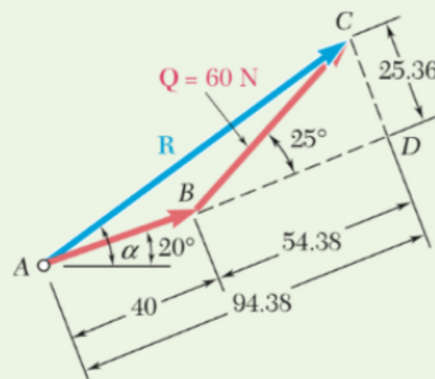


Fig. 4 Alternative geometry of triangle rule applied to add forces **P** and **Q**.