## Chapter two

## Statics of Particles

## Vectors



- Vector: parameters possessing magnitude and direction which add according to the parallelogram law. Examples: displacements, velocities, accelerations.
- Scalar: parameters possessing magnitude but not direction. Examples: mass, volume, temperature

- Vector classifications:
- Fixed or bound vectors have well defined points of application that cannot be changed without affecting an analysis.
- Free vectors may be freely moved in space without changing their effect on an analysis.
- Sliding vectors may be applied anywhere along their line of action without affecting an analysis.
- Equal vectors have the same magnitude and direction.
- Negative vector of a given vector has the same magnitude and the opposite direction.


## Addition of Vectors


(b)

(a)

- Trapezoid rule for vector addition
- Triangle rule for vector addition
- Law of cosines,
$R^{2}=P^{2}+Q^{2}-2 P Q \cos B$ $\vec{R}=\vec{P}+\vec{Q}$
- Law of sines, $\frac{\sin A}{Q}=\frac{\sin B}{R}=\frac{\sin C}{A}$
- Vector addition is commutative,

$$
\vec{P}+\vec{Q}=\vec{Q}+\vec{P}
$$

- Vector subtraction

- Addition of three or more vectors through repeated application of the triangle rule

- The polygon rule for the addition of three or more vectors.
- Vector addition is associative,

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\vec{P}+\vec{Q}+\vec{S}=(\vec{P}+\vec{Q})+\vec{S}=\vec{P}+(\vec{Q}+\vec{S})
$$

- Multiplication of a vector by a scalar


## Static of particles

## Case one: Study of one force

If one force acted in one direction
Example: Find the resultant of force Fx
Solution:
$F=F x+F y=F x+0=F x$
Example: Find the resultant of force Fy
Solution:
$\mathrm{F}=\mathrm{Fx}+\mathrm{Fy}=0+\mathrm{Fy}=\mathrm{Fy}$
If the force $F$ has an angle with the $x$ axis
$\mathrm{Fx}=\mathrm{F} \cos \theta$
$\mathrm{Fy}=\mathrm{F} \sin \theta$

Forces in a plane: Results of two forces

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\begin{aligned}
& R=\sqrt{P^{2}+Q^{2}} \\
& \theta=\tan ^{-1} \frac{Q}{P} \\
& \cos \theta=\frac{P}{R} \quad P=R \cos \theta \\
& \sin \theta=\frac{Q}{R} \quad Q=R \sin \theta \\
& \tan \theta=\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}=\frac{Q}{R} \frac{R}{P}=\frac{Q}{P}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Results of two forces

1- The law of sines:- the magnitude of the resultant forces cab be determined from the law of cosines, and its direction is determined from the law of sines


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## Sine law:

$\frac{A}{\sin a}=\frac{B}{\sin b}=\frac{C}{\sin c}$
Cosine law:
$C=\sqrt{A^{2}+B^{2}-2 A B \cos c}$

Example: determine the magnitude of the resultant force and its direction shown in fig. below

$\mathrm{R}=\left[100^{2}+150^{2}-2 * 100 * 150 \cos 115\right]^{0.5}$
$\mathrm{R}=213 \mathrm{~N}$
$\frac{F 2}{\sin \theta}=\frac{R}{\sin 115} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{150}{\sin \theta}=\frac{213}{\sin 115}$
$\sin \theta=\frac{150}{213} \sin 115 \quad \theta=39.8^{\circ} \quad \alpha=\theta+15=54.8^{\circ}$

## 3-Rectangular components

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\begin{array}{rr}
R_{x}=\Sigma F_{x} & R_{y}=\Sigma F_{y} \\
R=\sqrt{R_{x}^{2}+R_{y}^{2}} & \theta=\tan ^{-1} \frac{R_{y}}{R_{x}}
\end{array}
$$


$\mathrm{F} 1=\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{xi}+\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{yj}$
$F 2=F 2 x i+F 2 y j$
$\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{y}=\mathrm{F} 1 \sin \theta 1$
$\mathrm{F} 1 \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{F} 1 \cos \theta 1$
$\mathrm{F} 2 \mathrm{y}=\mathrm{F} 2 \sin \theta 2$
$\mathrm{F} 2 \mathrm{x}=\mathrm{F} 2 \cos \theta 2$
Example: determine the magnitude of the resultant force and its direction

$$
R_{x}=\Sigma F_{x}
$$

$\mathrm{Rx}=\mathrm{F} 1 \cos 60+\mathrm{F} 2 \cos 45$
$=250 \cos 60+375 \cos 45$
$=390.17 \mathrm{~N}$
$R y=F 1 \sin 60-F 2 \sin 45$
$=250 \sin 60-375 \sin 45$

$=-48.66 \mathrm{~N}$

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
R=\sqrt{R_{x}^{2}+R_{y}^{2}} & \theta=\tan ^{-1} \frac{R_{y}}{R_{x}} \\
\mathrm{R}=393 \mathrm{~N} & \theta=-7.1
\end{array}
$$

Example: The two forces act on a bolt at A. Determine their resultant.


- Trigonometric solution - Apply the triangle rule.

From the Law of Cosines,

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

$$
R=97.73 \mathrm{~N}
$$

From the Law of Sines,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sin A}{Q} & =\frac{\sin B}{R} \\
\sin A & =\sin B \frac{Q}{R} \\
& =\sin 155^{\circ} \frac{60 \mathrm{~N}}{97.73 \mathrm{~N}}
\end{aligned}
$$

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A=15.04^{\circ}
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\alpha=20^{\circ}+A
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$$
\alpha=35.04^{\circ}
$$

Example : A barge is pulled by two tugboats. If the resultant of the forces exerted by the tugboats is 5000 lbf directed along the axis of the barge, determine

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a) the tension in each of the ropes for $\alpha=45^{\circ}$,
b) the value of $\alpha$ for which the tension in rope 2 is a minimum.


- Trigonometric solution - Triangle Rule with Law of Sines

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\begin{aligned}
& \frac{T_{1}}{\sin 45^{\circ}}=\frac{T_{2}}{\sin 30^{\circ}}=\frac{5000 \mathrm{lbf}}{\sin 105^{\circ}} \\
& T_{1}=3660 \mathrm{lbf} \quad T_{2}=2590 \mathrm{lbf}
\end{aligned}
$$



- The minimum tension in rope 2 occurs when $\mathrm{T}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{T}_{2}$ are perpendicular.
$T_{2}=(5000 \mathrm{lbf}) \sin 30^{\circ}$

$$
T_{2}=2500 \mathrm{lbf}
$$

$T_{1}=(5000 \mathrm{lbf}) \cos 30^{\circ}$
$T_{1}=4330 \mathrm{lbf}$
$\alpha=90^{\circ}-30^{\circ}$
$\alpha=60^{\circ}$


## Results of three or more forces

## 2-Method of projections

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\begin{aligned}
R_{x} & =P_{x}+Q_{x}+S_{x} & R_{y} & =P_{y}+Q_{y}+S_{y} \\
& =\sum F_{x} & & =\sum F_{y}
\end{aligned}
$$

- To find the resultant magnitude and direction,

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R=\sqrt{R_{x}^{2}+R_{y}^{2}} \quad \theta=\tan ^{-1} \frac{R_{y}}{R_{x}}
$$



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Example : Four forces act on bolt $A$ as shown. Determine the resultant of the force on the bolt.


## SOLUTION:



- Resolve each force into rectangular components.

| force | mag | $x$-comp | $y$-comp |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\vec{F}_{1}$ | 150 | +129.9 | +75.0 |
| $\vec{F}_{2}$ | 80 | -27.4 | +75.2 |
| $\vec{F}_{3}$ | 110 | 0 | -110.0 |
| $\vec{F}_{4}$ | 100 | +96.6 | -25.9 |
|  |  | $R_{x}=+199.1$ | $R_{y}=+14.3$ |

- Determine the components of the resultant by
 adding the corresponding force components.
- Calculate the magnitude and direction.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
R=\sqrt{199.1^{2}+14.3^{2}} & R=199.6 \mathrm{~N} \\
\tan \alpha=\frac{14.3 \mathrm{~N}}{199.1 \mathrm{~N}} & \alpha=4.1^{\circ}
\end{array}
$$

