#### Announcements

- Morning Office Hours: Mon/Wed, 10–11am in 220H MEB
- Quiz 1 starts tomorrow

#### ☐ Upcoming deadlines:

- Friday (9/14)
  - WA#2
- Tuesday (9/18)
  - PL HW3



# Chapter 4: Force System Resultants

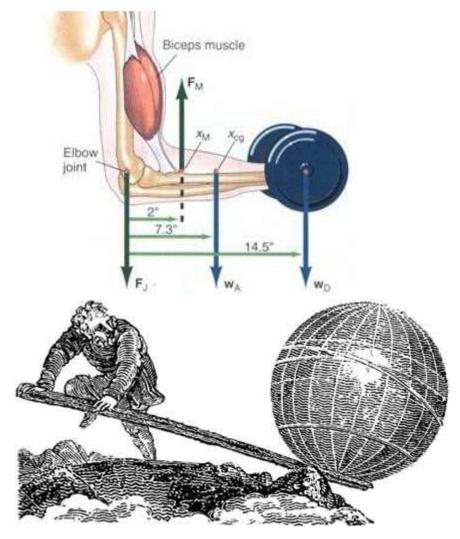
### Goals and Objectives

• Discuss the concept of the <u>moment of a force</u> and show how to calculate it in two and three dimensions

# **Applications**

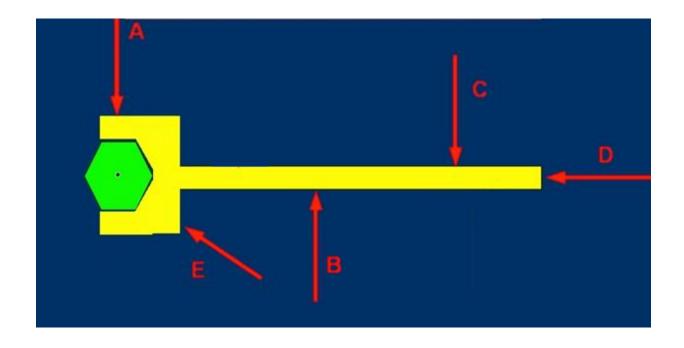


Carpenters often use a hammer in this way to pull a stubborn nail. Through what sort of action does the force  $F_H$  at the handle pull the nail? How can you mathematically model the effect of force  $F_H$  at point O?



**Moment** 1.a very brief period of time. An Exact point in time. 2. importance. 3. A turning Effect produced by a force acting at a distance on An object.

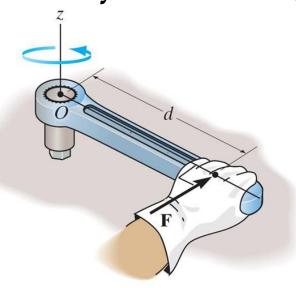
### Moment of a Force

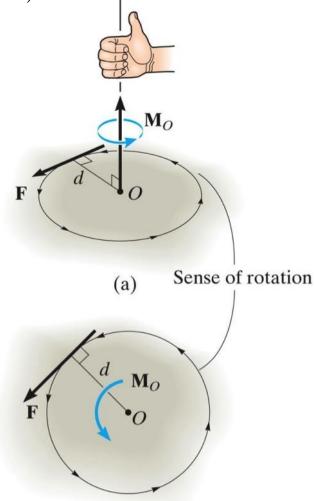


Which force(s) have NO turning effect?

### Moment of a force – scalar formulation

The moment of a force about a point provides a measure of the tendency for rotation (sometimes called a torque). Moment axis

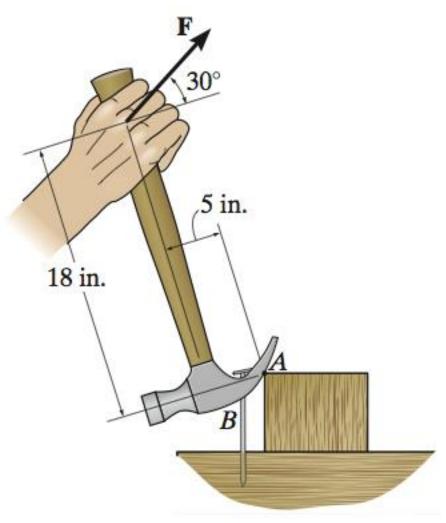




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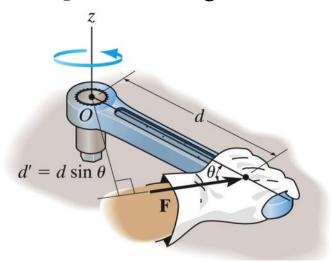
# Example - Scalar Formulation

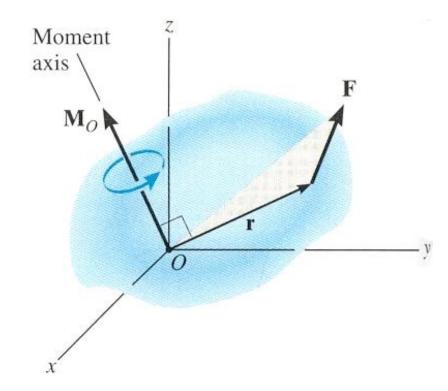
Determine the moment of this force about the point *A* as a function of **F**.



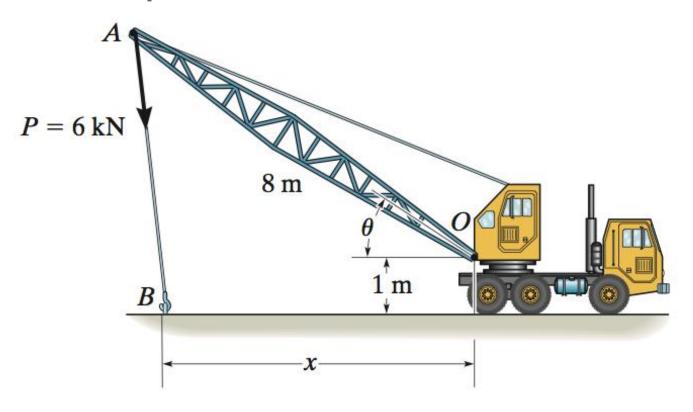
#### Moment of a force - vector formulation

The moment of a force F about point O, or actually about the moment axis passing through O and perpendicular to the plane containing O and F, can be expressed using the cross (vector) product, namely:





### Example - Vector Formulation



**Given:** The angle  $\theta = 30^{\circ}$  and x = 10 m.

**Find:** The moment by **P** about point O.

### Example - Vector Formulation

