STATICS

FE Review
1. Resultants of force systems
VECTOR OPERATIONS (Section 2.2)

Scalar Multiplication and Division
VECTOR ADDITION USING EITHER THE PARALLELOGRAM LAW OR TRIANGLE

Parallelogram Law:

Triangle method (always ‘tip to tail’):

How do you subtract a vector?

How can you add more than two concurrent vectors graphically?
“Resolution” of a vector is breaking up a vector into components.

It is kind of like using the parallelogram law in reverse.
**ADDITION OF A SYSTEM OF COPLANAR FORCES**
(Section 2.4)

- We ‘resolve’ vectors into components using the x and y-axis coordinate system.

- Each component of the vector is shown as a magnitude and a direction.

- The directions are based on the x and y axes. We use the “unit vectors” $\mathbf{i}$ and $\mathbf{j}$ to designate the x and y-axes.
For example,

\[ \mathbf{F} = F_x \mathbf{i} + F_y \mathbf{j} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{F}' = F'_x \mathbf{i} + (-F'_y) \mathbf{j} \]

The \( x \) and \( y \)-axis are always perpendicular to each other. Together, they can be “set” at any inclination.
• Step 1 is to resolve each force into its components.

• Step 2 is to add all the x-components together, followed by adding all the y-components together. These two totals are the x and y-components of the resultant vector.

• Step 3 is to find the magnitude and angle of the resultant vector.
An example of the process:

Break the three vectors into components, then add them.

\[ F_R = F_1 + F_2 + F_3 \]

\[ = F_{1x} \mathbf{i} + F_{1y} \mathbf{j} - F_{2x} \mathbf{i} + F_{2y} \mathbf{j} + F_{3x} \mathbf{i} - F_{3y} \mathbf{j} \]

\[ = (F_{1x} - F_{2x} + F_{3x}) \mathbf{i} + (F_{1y} + F_{2y} - F_{3y}) \mathbf{j} \]

\[ = (F_{Rx}) \mathbf{i} + (F_{Ry}) \mathbf{j} \]
You can also represent a 2-D vector with a magnitude and angle.

\[ \theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{F_{Ry}}{F_{Rx}} \right) \]

\[ F_R = \sqrt{F_{Rx}^2 + F_{Ry}^2} \]
EXAMPLE I

**Given:** Three concurrent forces acting on a tent post.

**Find:** The magnitude and angle of the resultant force.

**Plan:**

a) **Resolve** the forces into their x-y components.

b) **Add** the respective **components** to get the resultant vector.

c) Find **magnitude** and **angle** from the resultant components.
EQUILIBRIUM OF A PARTICLE, THE FREE-BODY DIAGRAM
APPLICATIONS

For a spool of given weight, how would you find the forces in cables AB and AC? If designing a spreader bar like the one being used here, you need to know the forces to make sure the rigging doesn’t fail.
APPLICATIONS (continued)
CABLES AND PULLEYS

Cable is in tension
GROUP PROBLEM SOLVING

**Given:** The mass of lamp is 20 kg and geometry is as shown.

**Find:** The force in each cable.

**Plan:**
EQUIVALENT FORCE SYSTEMS

\[ M = Fd \]
Several forces and a couple moment are acting on this vertical section of an I-beam.
SIMPLIFICATION OF FORCE AND COUPLE SYSTEM (Section 4.7)
MOVING A FORCE ON ITS LINE OF ACTION
MOVING A FORCE OFF OF ITS LINE OF ACTION

\[ M = Fd \]
SIMPLIFICATION OF A FORCE AND COUPLE SYSTEM

\[ \mathbf{F}_R = \sum \mathbf{F} \]
\[ \mathbf{M}_{RO} = \sum \mathbf{M}_c + \sum \mathbf{M}_O \]
SIMPLIFICATION OF A FORCE AND COUPLE SYSTEM (continued)

\[ WR = W_1 + W_2 \]
\[ (MR)_o = W_1 \cdot d_1 + W_2 \cdot d_2 \]

\[ F_{Rx} = \sum F_x \]
\[ F_{Ry} = \sum F_y \]
\[ M_{RO} = \sum M_c + \sum M_O \]
GROUP PROBLEM SOLVING I

Given: A 2-D force and couple system as shown.

Find: The equivalent resultant force and couple moment acting at A.

Plan:

\[
F_{Rx} = \sum F_x \\
F_{Ry} = \sum F_y \\
M_{Ro} = \sum M_c + \sum M_O
\]
RIGID BODY: EQUATIONS OF EQUILIBRIUM
APPLICATIONS
EQUATIONS OF EQUILIBRIUM (Section 5.3)

\[
\sum F_x = 0 \quad \sum F_y = 0 \quad \sum M_O = 0
\]

where point O is any arbitrary point.
TWO-FORCE MEMBERS & THREE FORCE-MEMBERS (Section 5.4)
EXAMPLES OF TWO-FORCE MEMBERS
**EXAMPLE**

**Given:** The 4kN load at B of the beam is supported by pins at A and C.

**Find:** The support reactions at A and C.

**Plan:**
SIMPLE TRUSSES, THE METHOD OF JOINTS, & ZERO-FORCE MEMBERS
A free-body diagram of Joint B
ZERO-FORCE MEMBERS (Section 6.3)

If a joint has only two non-collinear members and there is no external load or support reaction at that joint, then those two members are zero-force members.
If three members form a truss joint for which two of the members are collinear and there is no external load or reaction at that joint, then the third non-collinear member is a zero force member, e.g., DA.
EXAMPLE

**Given:** Loads as shown on the truss

**Find:** The forces in each member of the truss.

**Plan:**

[Diagram of the truss with dimensions and loads]
THE METHOD OF SECTIONS

[Diagram of a bridge structure with labels for Stringer, Deck, and Floor beam.]
APPLICATIONS
STEPS FOR ANALYSIS
EXAMPLE

**Given:** Loads as shown on the truss.

**Find:** The force in members KJ, KD, and CD.

**Plan:**
FRAMES AND MACHINES
“Machines,” like those above, are used in a variety of applications. How are they different from trusses and frames?
Frames are generally stationary and support external loads.
STEPS FOR ANALYZING A FRAME OR MACHINE
EXAMPLE

**Given:** The frame supports an external load and moment as shown.

**Find:** The horizontal and vertical components of the pin reactions at C and the magnitude of reaction at B.

**Plan:**
CHARACTERISTICS OF DRY FRICTION
In **designing** a brake system for a bicycle, car, or any other vehicle, it is important to understand the frictional forces involved.
The rope is used to tow the refrigerator.

In order to move the refrigerator, is it best to pull up as shown, pull horizontally, or pull downwards on the rope?
Friction is defined as a force of resistance acting on a body which prevents or resists the slipping of a body relative to a second body.

Experiments show that frictional forces act tangent (parallel) to the contacting surface in a direction opposing the relative motion or tendency for motion.

For the body shown in the figure to be in equilibrium, the following must be true: \( F = P \), \( N = W \), and \( W \times x = P \times h \).
CHARACTERISTICS OF DRY FRICTION (continued)

Resultant Normal and Frictional Forces

\[ F = P \]

No motion

Motion

\[ F_s \]

\[ F_k \]
CHARACTERISTICS OF DRY FRICTION (continued)
For a given W and h of the box, how can we determine if the block will slide or tip first? In this case, we have four unknowns (F, N, x, and P) and only the three E-of-E.
Assume: **Slipping** occurs

Known: \( F = \mu_s N \)

Solve: \( x, P, \) and \( N \)

Check: \( 0 \leq x \leq b/2 \)

Or

Assume: **Tipping** occurs

Known: \( x = b/2 \)

Solve: \( P, N, \) and \( F \)

Check: \( F \leq \mu_s N \)
EXAMPLE

Given: Crate weight = 250 lb and \( \mu_s = 0.4 \)

Find: The maximum force \( P \) that can be applied without causing movement of the crate.

Plan:
Solution:

There are four unknowns: P, N, F and x.

First, let’s assume the crate slips. Then the friction equation is \( F = \mu s \) \( N = 0.4 \) N.
EXAMPLE (continued)

\[ + \sum FX = P - 0.4N = 0 \]
\[ + \sum FY = N - 250 = 0 \]

Solving these two equations gives:
\[ P = 100 \text{ lb} \quad \text{and} \quad N = 250 \text{ lb} \]

\[ \sum MO = -100 \times 4.5 + 250 \times x = 0 \]

Check: \( x = 1.8 \geq 1.5 \): No slipping will occur since \( x > 1.5 \)
EXAMPLE (continued)

Since tipping occurs, here is the correct FBD:

\[ + \rightarrow \sum FX = P - F = 0 \]
\[ + \uparrow \sum FY = N - 250 = 0 \]

These two equations give:
\[ P = F \quad \text{and} \quad N = 250 \text{ lb} \]

\[ - \sum MA = -P(4.5) + 250(1.5) = 0 \]

\[ P = 83.3 \text{ lb, and } F = 83.3 \text{ lb} < \mu_s N = 100 \text{ lb} \]
CENTER OF GRAVITY, CENTER OF MASS AND CENTROID OF A BODY
APPLICATIONS
One concern about a sport utility vehicle (SUV) is that it might tip over when taking a sharp turn.
APPLICATIONS (continued)
CONCEPT OF CENTER OF GRAVITY (CG)

\[
\begin{align*}
\bar{x} &= \frac{\int \bar{x} \, dW}{\int \, dW} \\
\bar{y} &= \frac{\int \bar{y} \, dW}{\int \, dW} \\
\bar{z} &= \frac{\int \bar{z} \, dW}{\int \, dW}
\end{align*}
\]
CM & CENTROID OF A BODY

\[
\bar{x} = \frac{\int \bar{x} \, dW}{\int dW}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{\int \bar{y} \, dW}{\int dW}, \quad \bar{z} = \frac{\int \bar{z} \, dW}{\int dW}
\]

\[
\bar{x} = \frac{\int \bar{x} \, dm}{\int dm}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{\int \bar{y} \, dm}{\int dm}, \quad \bar{z} = \frac{\int \bar{z} \, dm}{\int dm}
\]
CONCEPT OF CENTROID

Rectangular area

Triangular area

Cylinder

Quarter and semicircle arcs
EXAMPLE I

Given: The area as shown.

Find: The centroid location \((x, y)\)

Plan: Follow the steps.
CG/CM OF A COMPOSITE BODY

\[
\begin{align*}
\bar{x} &= \frac{\sum xW}{\sum W} \\
\bar{y} &= \frac{\sum yW}{\sum W} \\
\bar{z} &= \frac{\sum zW}{\sum W}
\end{align*}
\]
CONCEPT OF A COMPOSITE BODY
**GROUP PROBLEM SOLVING**

**Given:** The part shown.

**Find:** The centroid of the part.

**Plan:** Follow the steps for analysis.
DEFINITION OF MOMENTS OF INERTIA FOR AREAS, RADIUS OF GYRATION OF AN AREA
Many structural members like beams and columns have cross sectional shapes like an I, H, C, etc..
DEFINITION OF MOMENTS OF INERTIA FOR AREAS

(A) 10cm 3cm 1cm

(B) 10cm 3cm

(C) 10cm 3cm

R S

P x
For the differential area \( dA \), shown in the figure:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{d } I_x &= y^2 \, dA , \\
\text{d } I_y &= x^2 \, dA , \text{ and,} \\
\text{d } J_O &= r^2 \, dA , \text{ where } J_O \text{ is the polar moment of inertia about the pole } O \text{ or } z \text{ axis.}
\end{align*}
\]
For simplicity, the area element used has a differential size in only one direction (dx or dy). This results in a single integration and is usually simpler than doing a double integration with two differentials, i.e., $dx \cdot dy$. 
Given: The shaded area shown in the figure.

Find: The MoI of the area about the x- and y-axes.

Plan: Follow the steps given earlier.
PARALLEL-AXIS THEOREM, RADIUS OF GYRATION & MOMENT OF INERTIA FOR COMPOSITE AREAS
APPLICATIONS
APPLICATIONS (continued)
Consider an area with centroid C. The x' and y' axes pass through C. The MoI about the x-axis, which is parallel to, and distance dy from the x' axis, is found by using the parallel-axis theorem.

This theorem relates the moment of inertia (MoI) of an area about an axis passing through the area’s centroid to the MoI of the area about a corresponding parallel axis. This theorem has many practical applications, especially when working with composite areas.
PARALLEL-AXIS THEOREM (continued)

\[ y = y' + d_y \]
EXAMPLE

Given: The beam’s cross-sectional area.

Find: The moment of inertia of the area about the x-axis

Plan: Follow the steps for analysis.