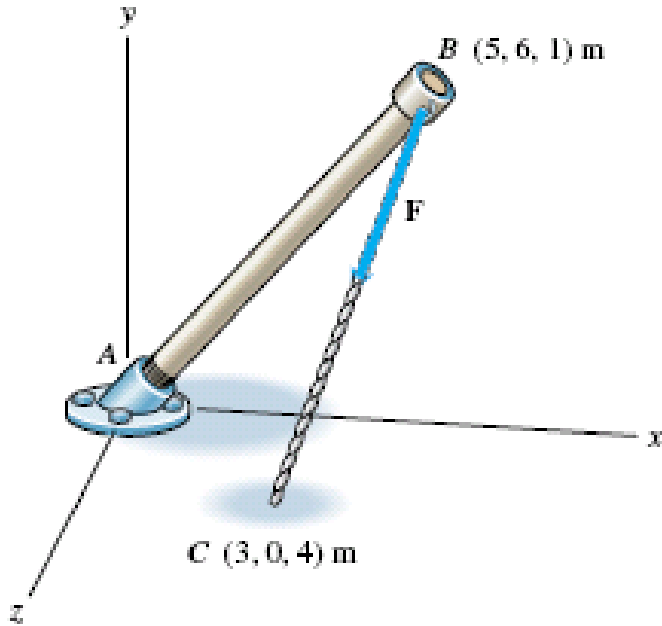


# Review (Pos Vector)



The tension in cable BC is of magnitude  $F = 400 \text{ N}$ .

- Derive the unit vector for  $F$
- Express  $F$  as a Cartesian vector

a) Find  $\vec{r}_{BC} = C - B$

$$= (3-5)\hat{i} + (0-6)\hat{j} + (4-1)\hat{k}$$
$$\vec{r}_{BC} = \{-2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$\vec{u}_{BC} = \vec{u}_F = \frac{\vec{r}_{BC}}{r_{BC}} = \frac{\{-2\hat{i} - 6\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}\} \text{ m}}{\sqrt{2^2 + 6^2 + 3^2} \text{ m}}$$

$$\vec{u}_F = -\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{k}$$

b)  $\vec{F} = F \vec{u}_F = 400 \text{ N} \left(-\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{k}\right)$

$$= (-114\hat{i} - 343\hat{j} + 171\hat{k}) \text{ N}$$

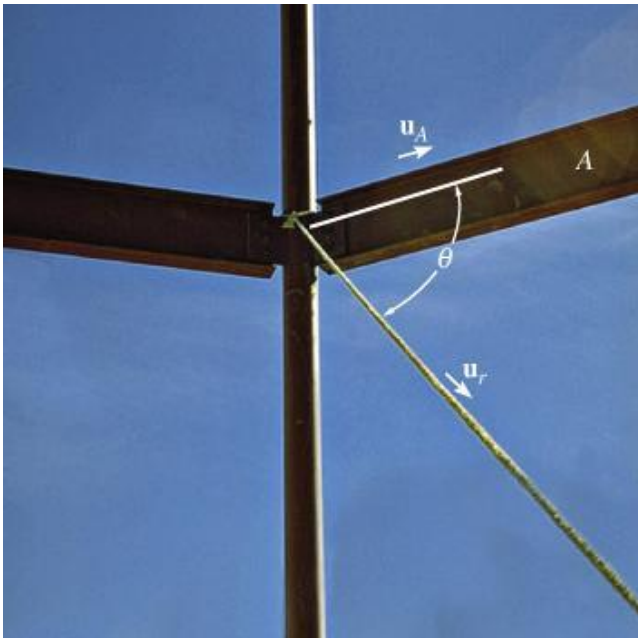
# DOT PRODUCT

## Today's Objective:

Students will be able to use the dot product to:

a) determine an angle between two vectors,  
and,

b) determine the projection of a vector along  
a specified line.



## In-Class Activities:

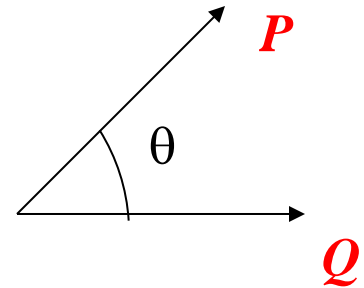
- Check Homework
- Reading Quiz
- Applications / Relevance
- Dot product - Definition
- Angle Determination
- Determining the Projection
- Concept Quiz
- Group Problem Solving
- Attention Quiz



## READING QUIZ

1. The dot product of two vectors  $P$  and  $Q$  is defined as

- A)  $P Q \cos \theta$                       B)  $P Q \sin \theta$   
C)  $P Q \tan \theta$                         D)  $P Q \sec \theta$



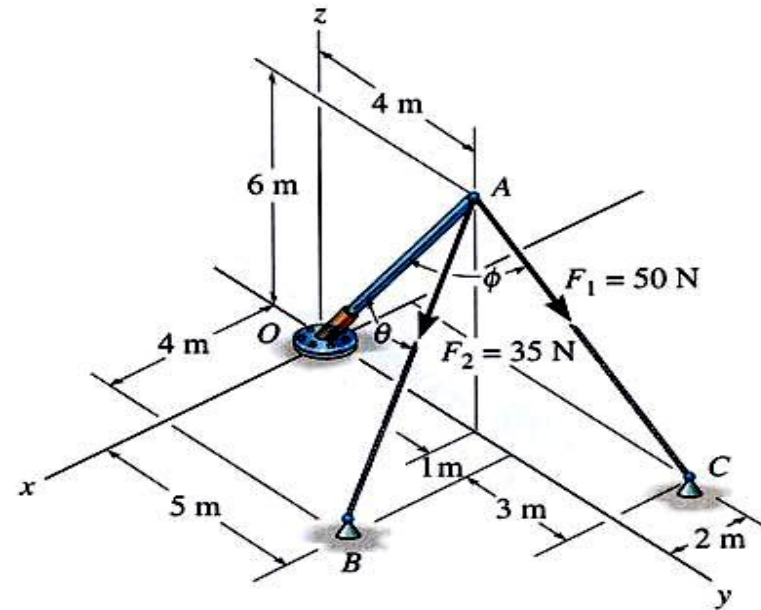
2. The dot product of two vectors results in a \_\_\_\_\_ quantity.

- A) scalar                      B) vector  
C) complex                    D) zero

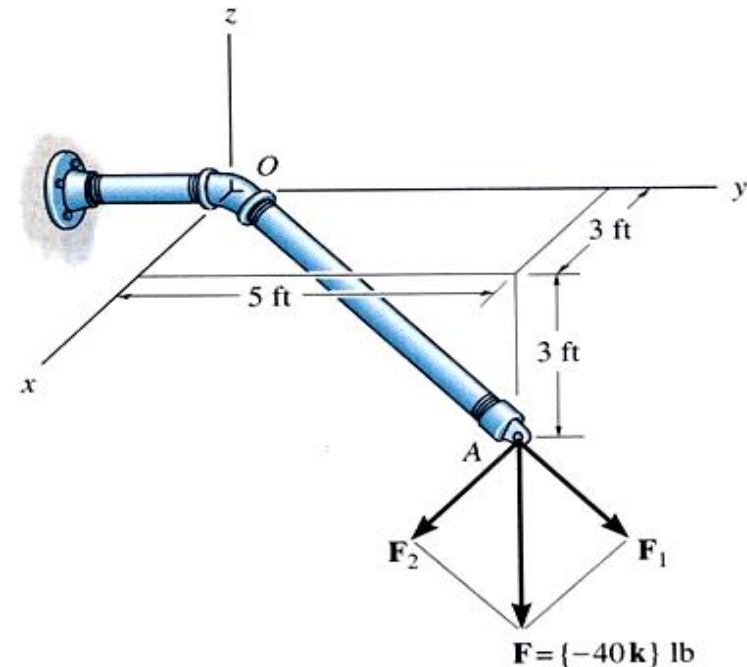


## APPLICATIONS

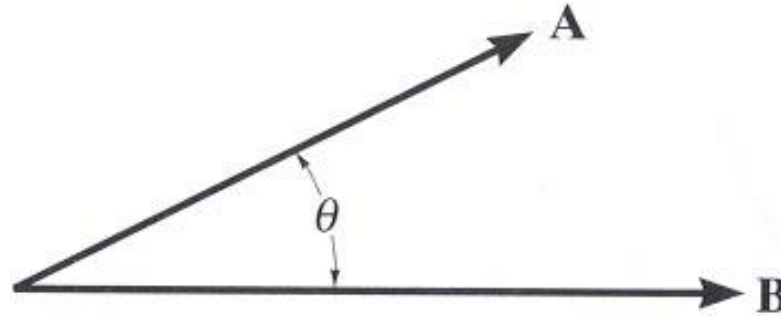
For this geometry, can you determine angles between the pole and the cables?



For force  $F$  at Point A, what component of it ( $F_1$ ) acts along the pipe OA? What component ( $F_2$ ) acts perpendicular to the pipe?



## DEFINITION



The dot product of vectors **A** and **B** is defined as  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = A B \cos \theta$ .

Angle  $\theta$  is the smallest angle between the two vectors and is always in a range of  $0^\circ$  to  $180^\circ$ .

### Dot Product Characteristics:

1. The result of the dot product is a scalar (a positive or negative number).
2. The units of the dot product will be the product of the units of the **A** and **B** vectors.



# DOT PRODUCT DEFINITION

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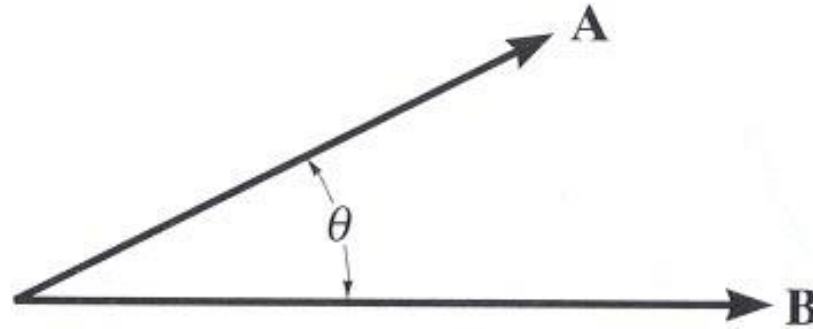
Examples:  $\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{j} = 0$

$$\mathbf{i} \cdot \mathbf{i} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} &= (\mathbf{A}_x \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{A}_y \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{A}_z \mathbf{k}) \cdot (\mathbf{B}_x \mathbf{i} + \mathbf{B}_y \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{B}_z \mathbf{k}) \\ &= \mathbf{A}_x \mathbf{B}_x + \mathbf{A}_y \mathbf{B}_y + \mathbf{A}_z \mathbf{B}_z \end{aligned}$$



## USING THE DOT PRODUCT TO DETERMINE THE ANGLE BETWEEN TWO VECTORS



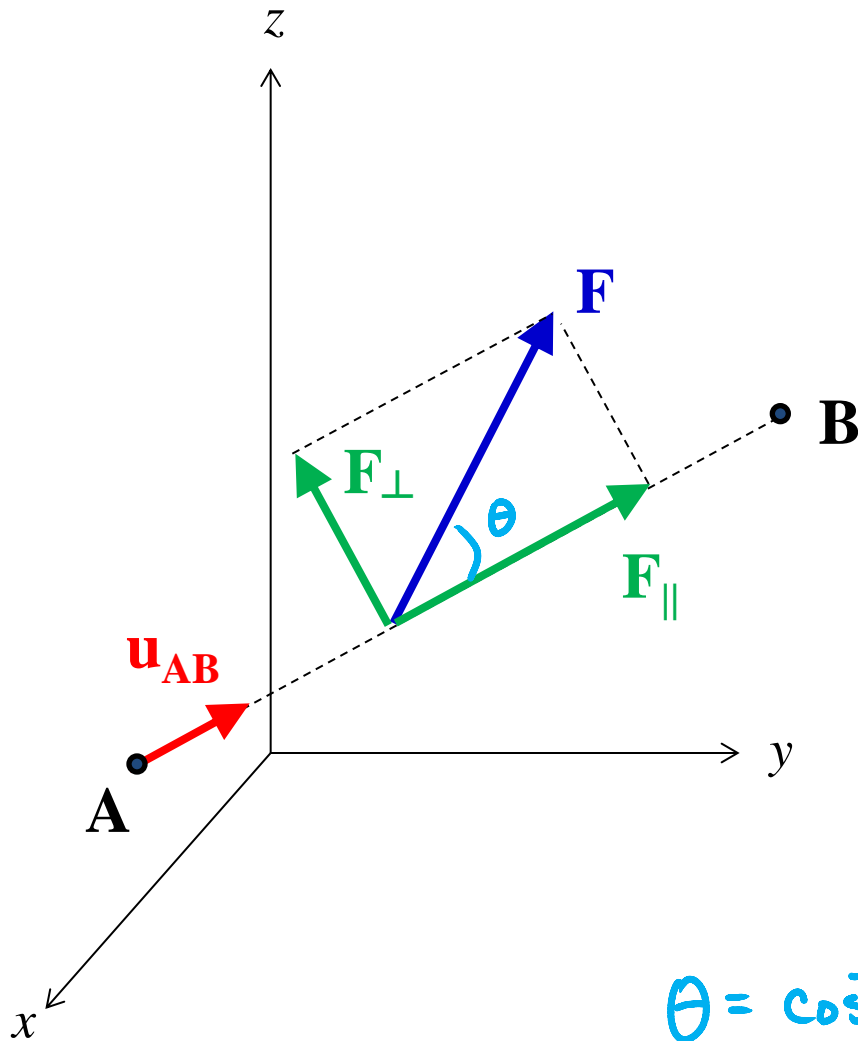
For the given two vectors in the Cartesian form, one can find the angle by

- Finding the dot product,  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} = (A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z)$ ,
- Finding the magnitudes (A & B) of the vectors  $\mathbf{A}$  &  $\mathbf{B}$ , and
- Using the definition of dot product and solving for  $\theta$ , i.e.,

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} [(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) / (A B)], \text{ where } 0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ.$$



# Projection of a Vector along a line



$$\vec{F} = \vec{F}_{\parallel} + \vec{F}_{\perp}$$

$$F_{\parallel} = F \cos \theta$$

$$= \vec{F} \cdot \vec{u}_{AB}$$

$$= F_x u_{ABx} + F_y u_{ABy} + F_z u_{ABz}$$

scalar magnitude

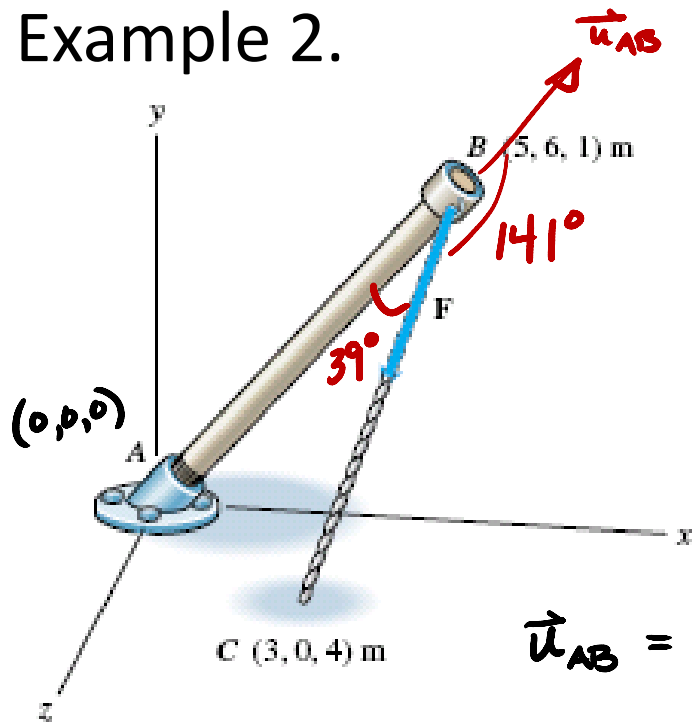
$$\vec{F}_{\parallel} = F_{\parallel} \vec{u}_{AB}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\perp} = \vec{F} - \vec{F}_{\parallel}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{\vec{F} \cdot \vec{u}_{AB}}{F} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left( \vec{u}_F \cdot \vec{u}_{AB} \right)$$



## Example 2.



- c) Find the component of F parallel to AB  
 d) Perpendicular to AB  
 e) Find the angle between AB and F

$$c) F_{\parallel} = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{u}_{AB}$$

$$\vec{F} = 400\text{N} \left( -\frac{2}{7}\hat{i} - \frac{6}{7}\hat{j} + \frac{3}{7}\hat{k} \right)$$

$$\vec{u}_{AB} = \frac{5\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}}{\sqrt{5^2 + 6^2 + 1^2}} = 0.635\hat{i} + 0.762\hat{j} + 0.127\hat{k}$$

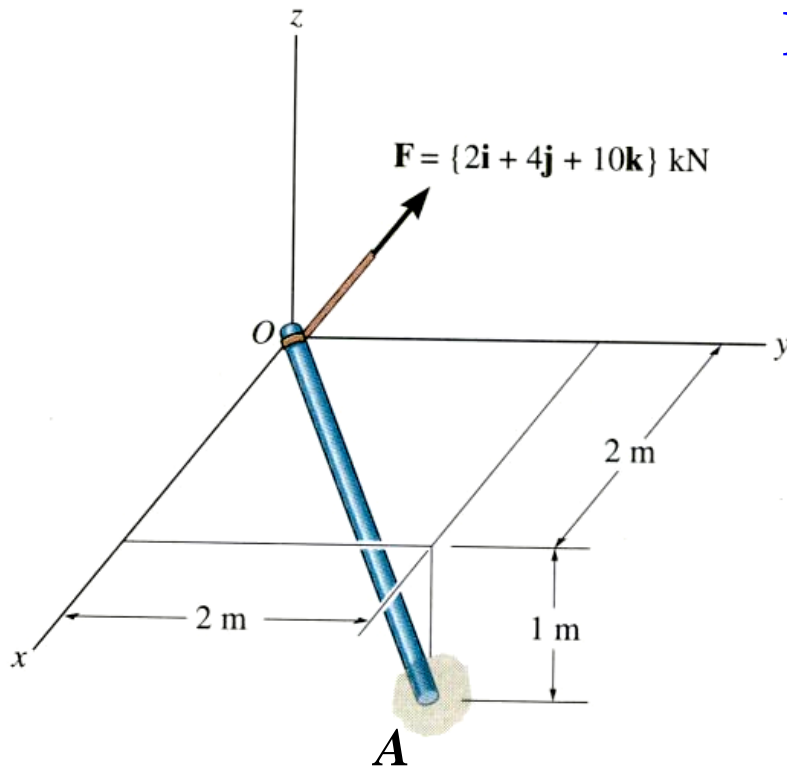
$$F_{\parallel} = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{u}_{AB} = 400\text{N} \left[ \left(-\frac{2}{7}\right)(0.635) + \left(-\frac{6}{7}\right)(0.762) + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)(0.127) \right]$$

$$F_{\parallel} = -312\text{N} \quad (-) \Rightarrow \text{opp. } \vec{u}_{AB} \quad \vec{F}_{\parallel} = F_{\parallel} \vec{u}_{AB} = \underline{-198\hat{i} - 238\hat{j} - 40\hat{k}} \text{ N}$$

$$d) \vec{F}_{\perp} = \vec{F} - \vec{F}_{\parallel} = (-114\hat{i} - 343\hat{j} + 171\hat{k}) - (-198\hat{i} - 238\hat{j} - 40\hat{k}) = \underline{84\hat{i} - 105\hat{j} + 211\hat{k}} \text{ N}$$

$$e) \theta = \cos^{-1}(\vec{u}_F \cdot \vec{u}_{AB}) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\vec{F} \cdot \vec{u}_{AB}}{F}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-312}{400}\right) = \underline{141^{\circ}} \quad \left(\text{or } 39^{\circ}\right)$$

## EXAMPLE



**Given:** The force acting on the pole

**Find:** The angle between the force vector and the pole, and the magnitude of the projection of the force along the pole OA.

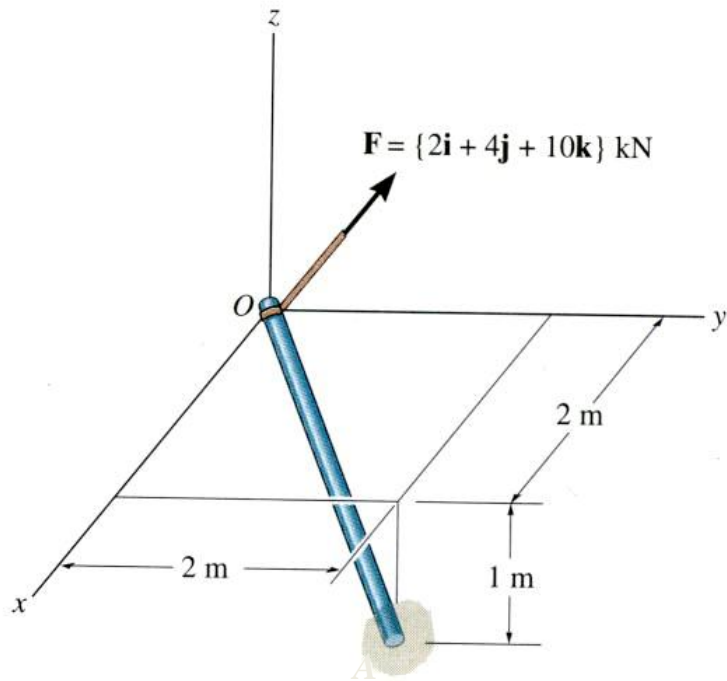
### Plan:

1. Get  $r_{OA}$
2.  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\{(F \cdot r_{OA})/(F r_{OA})\}$
3.  $F_{OA} = F \cdot u_{OA}$  or  $F \cos \theta$



## EXAMPLE

(continued)



$$\mathbf{r}_{OA} = \{2\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - 1\mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$r_{OA} = (2^2 + 2^2 + 1^2)^{1/2} = 3 \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{2\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + 10\mathbf{k}\} \text{ kN}$$

$$F = (2^2 + 4^2 + 10^2)^{1/2} = 10.95 \text{ kN}$$

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{OA} = (2)(2) + (4)(2) + (10)(-1) = 2 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\{(\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{OA}) / (F r_{OA})\}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\{2 / (10.95 * 3)\} = 86.5^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{OA} = \mathbf{r}_{OA} / r_{OA} = \{(2/3)\mathbf{i} + (2/3)\mathbf{j} - (1/3)\mathbf{k}\}$$

$$F_{OA} = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{OA} = (2)(2/3) + (4)(2/3) + (10)(-1/3) = 0.667 \text{ kN}$$

$$\text{Or } F_{OA} = F \cos \theta = 10.95 \cos(86.51^\circ) = 0.667 \text{ kN}$$

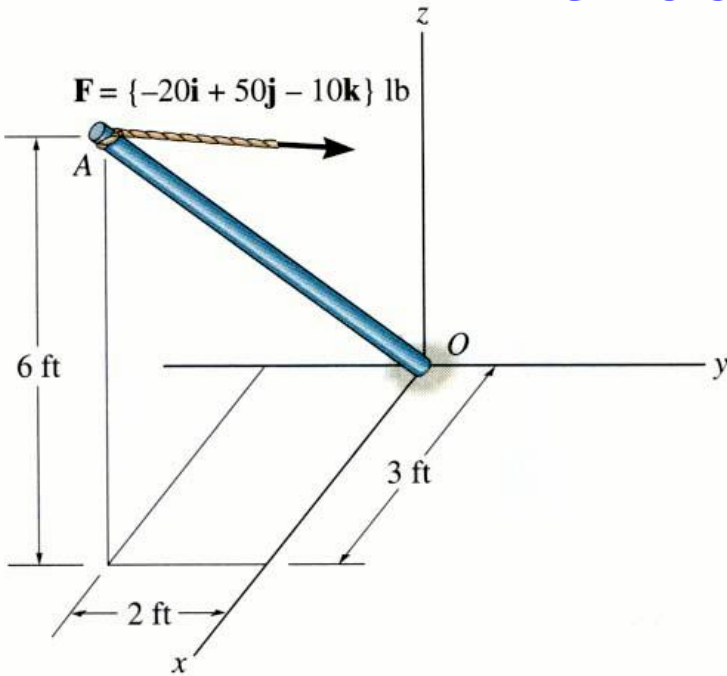


## CONCEPT QUIZ

1. If a dot product of two non-zero vectors is 0, then the two vectors must be \_\_\_\_\_ to each other.
  - A) parallel (pointing in the same direction)
  - B) parallel (pointing in the opposite direction)
  - C) perpendicular
  - D) cannot be determined.
  
2. If a dot product of two non-zero vectors equals -1, then the vectors must be \_\_\_\_\_ to each other.
  - A) parallel (pointing in the same direction)
  - B) parallel (pointing in the opposite direction)
  - C) perpendicular
  - D) cannot be determined.



## GROUP PROBLEM SOLVING



**Given:** The force acting on the pole.

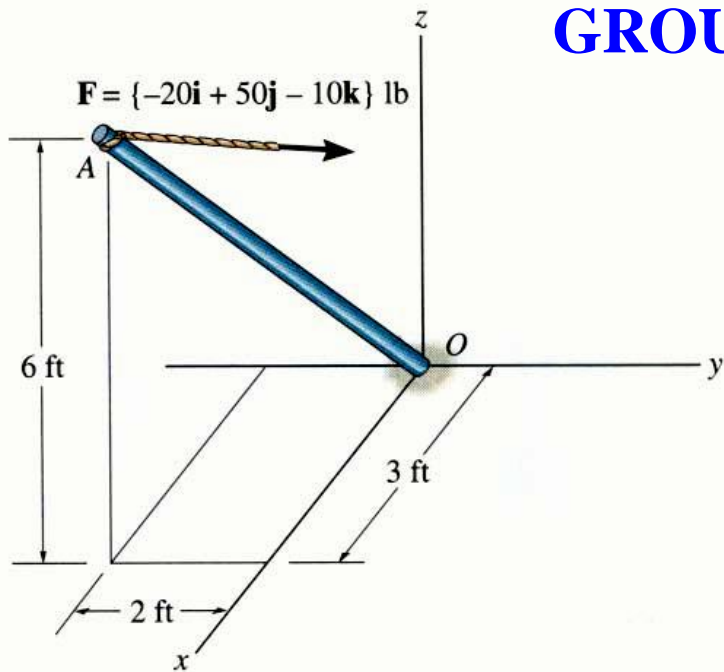
**Find:** The angle between the force vector and the pole, and the magnitude of the projection of the force along the pole AO.

### Plan:

1. Get  $\mathbf{r}_{AO}$
2.  $\theta = \cos^{-1}\{(\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{AO})/(\|\mathbf{F}\| \|\mathbf{r}_{AO}\|)\}$
3.  $F_{OA} = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{AO}$  or  $F \cos \theta$



## GROUP PROBLEM SOLVING (continued)



$$\mathbf{r}_{AO} = \{-3 \mathbf{i} + 2 \mathbf{j} - 6 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ ft.}$$

$$r_{AO} = (3^2 + 2^2 + 6^2)^{1/2} = 7 \text{ ft.}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \{-20 \mathbf{i} + 50 \mathbf{j} - 10 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ lb}$$

$$F = (20^2 + 50^2 + 10^2)^{1/2} = 54.77 \text{ lb}$$

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{AO} = (-20)(-3) + (50)(2) + (-10)(-6) = 220 \text{ lb}\cdot\text{ft}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\{(\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{AO})/(F r_{AO})\}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\{220/(54.77 \times 7)\} = 55.0^\circ$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{AO} = \mathbf{r}_{AO}/r_{AO} = \{(-3/7) \mathbf{i} + (2/7) \mathbf{j} - (6/7) \mathbf{k}\}$$

$$F_{AO} = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{AO} = (-20)(-3/7) + (50)(2/7) + (-10)(-6/7) = 31.4 \text{ lb}$$

$$\text{Or } F_{AO} = F \cos \theta = 54.77 \cos(55.0^\circ) = 31.4 \text{ lb}$$



## ATTENTION QUIZ

1. The Dot product can be used to find all of the following except \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A) sum of two vectors
- B) angle between two vectors
- C) component of a vector parallel to another line
- D) component of a vector perpendicular to another line

2. Find the dot product of the two vectors  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

$$\mathbf{P} = \{5 \mathbf{i} + 2 \mathbf{j} + 3 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \{-2 \mathbf{i} + 5 \mathbf{j} + 4 \mathbf{k}\} \text{ m}$$

- A) -12 m
- B) 12 m
- C) 12 m<sup>2</sup>
- D) -12 m<sup>2</sup>
- E) 10 m<sup>2</sup>



**End of the Lecture**

Let Learning Continue

