(Engineering Mechanics – Physics)

STATICS

the study of

FORCES

at

EQUILIBRIUM

using Vector Math



EVERY OTHER kind of Math you have ever learned in your life

Some Useful Equations for Quiz 1

Cartesian Form of a Vector: $\overline{F} = F_x \overline{i} + F_y \overline{j} + F_z \overline{k}$

Magnitude: $F = |\overline{F}| = \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2 + F_z^2}$

Direction Cosines For \overline{F} : $\cos \alpha = \frac{F_x}{F}$ $\cos \beta = \frac{F_y}{F}$ $\cos \gamma = \frac{F_z}{F}$

Unit Vector: $\overline{u} = \left(\frac{F_x}{F}\right)\overline{i} + \left(\frac{F_y}{F}\right)\overline{j} + \left(\frac{F_z}{F}\right)\overline{k} = (\cos\alpha)\overline{i} + (\cos\beta)\overline{j} + (\cos\gamma)\overline{k}$

Directed Force Vector: $\overline{F} = F\overline{u}$

Absolute Position Vector: $\overline{r}_A = x_A \overline{i} + y_A \overline{j} + z_A \overline{k}$

Relative Position Vector: $\overline{r}_{B/A} = (x_B - x_A)\overline{i} + (y_B - y_A)\overline{j} + (z_B - z_A)\overline{k}$

Dot Product: $\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} = AB \cos \theta = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z$

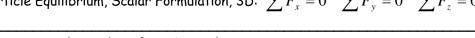
Projection of Vector along Line a-a: $A_{\mathrm{Pr}oj} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{u}$

Angle between Two Vectors, $\overline{A} \& \overline{B} : \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}}{AB} \right)$

Particle Equilibrium, Vector Formulation: $\sum \overline{F} = 0$

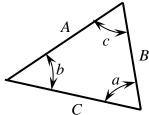
Particle Equilibrium, Scalar Formulation, 2D: $\sum F_{_{x}}=0$ $\sum F_{_{y}}=0$

Particle Equilibrium, Scalar Formulation, 3D: $\sum F_x = 0$ $\sum F_y = 0$ $\sum F_z = 0$



 \overline{A}

Geometric Relationships for A Triangle:



Law of Cosines: $A^2 = B^2 + C^2 - 2BC\cos a$

$$B^2 = A^2 + C^2 - 2AC\cos b$$

$$C^2 = A^2 + B^2 - 2AB\cos c$$

Law of Sines: $\frac{A}{\sin a} = \frac{B}{\sin b} = \frac{C}{\sin c}$