

# Chapter 14: Screws and Fasteners

Fastening (more complex shapes = better function)

- ❖ Non-permanent
  - Bolted
- ❖ Permanent
  - Bolted
  - Welded
  - Bonded

# Screws



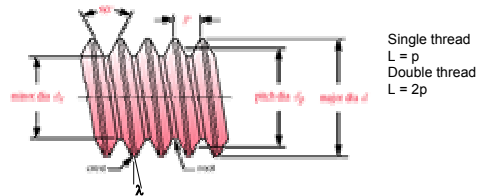
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# Outline

- ❖ General Thread Nomenclature & Types
- ❖ Power Screws
- ❖ Stresses in Threads
- ❖ Preloading Fasteners/Joints
- ❖ Fasteners in Shear

# Threads

Thread is a helix that causes the screw to advance into the workpiece or nut when rotated



- $p$  pitch : the distance between adjacent threads
- $d$  diameter (major)
- $d_p$  pitch diameter
- $d_r$  (root) minor diameter
- $L$  Lead: the distance the nut moves parallel to the screw axis when the nut is given one turn.
- $\lambda$  Lead angle: the angle defining the inclination of the thread.

# Screw Classifications

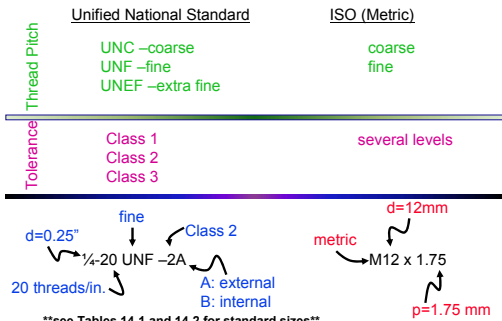


Table 14.2: Screw threads (ISO/ metric)  
 Example: M4 x 0.7, implies 4 mm diameter and 0.7 mm pitch

Table 14-2 Basic Dimensions of ISO Metric Screw Thr

Nominal Diameter $d$ (mm)	Pitch $p$ (mm)	Coarse Threads	
		Minor Diameter $d_r$ (mm)	Stress Area $A_s$ (mm <sup>2</sup> )
3	0.5	2.39	5.03
3.5	0.6	2.76	6.78
4	0.7	3.14	8.78
5	0.8	4.02	14.2
6	1	4.77	20.1
7	1	5.77	28.9

# Types of Screw Fasteners

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## Classification by Intended Use

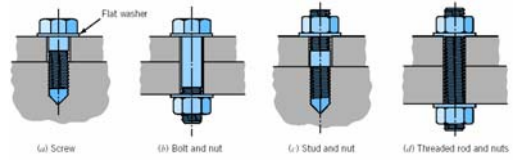
The same fastener may take on a different name when used in a particular manner. For example, a **bolt** is a fastener with a head and straight threaded shank intended to be used with a **nut** to clamp an assembly together. However, the same fastener is called **machine screw** or **cap screw** when it is threaded into a tapped hole rather than used with a nut.



FIGURE 14-10 Bolt and Nut, Machine Screw and Stud

A **stud** is a headless fastener, threaded on both ends and intended to semipermanently threaded into one-half of an assembly. A hole in the mating part then drops over the protruding stud and is secured with a nut.

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## Classification by Thread Type

All fasteners intended to make their own hole or make their own threads are called **tapping screws**.

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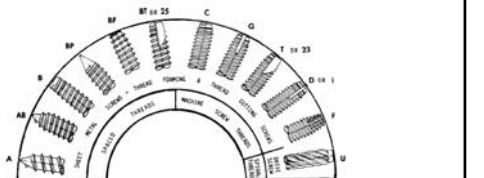


FIGURE 14-11 Various Styles of Threads Used on Tapping Screws. Courtesy of Corbin Bolt Inc., Brea, Calif. 90427

# Types of Screw Fasteners

## Classification by Head Style

A) Slotted Screws: Head shape can be flat, round, oval, etc. The head style can be **slotted** or **Phillips** grooves. We thread them into a hole using a screw driver.

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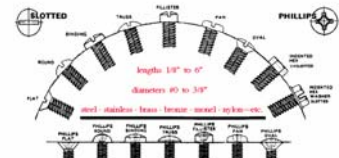


FIGURE 14-12 Various Styles of Heads Used on Small Machine Screws. Courtesy of Corbin Bolt Inc., Brea, Calif.

## B) Socket-Head Cap Screws

These are extensively used in machinery. The hex socket allows sufficient torque to be applied with hexagonal **Allen wrenches**.



Allen wrench



FIGURE 14-13 Various Styles of Socket-Head Cap Screws. Courtesy of Corbin Bolt Inc., Brea, Calif. 90427

## Nuts and Washers

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Castle nut is used with a pin to prevent loosening

Standard Nuts

Lock Nuts: eliminates loosening of nuts due to vibration

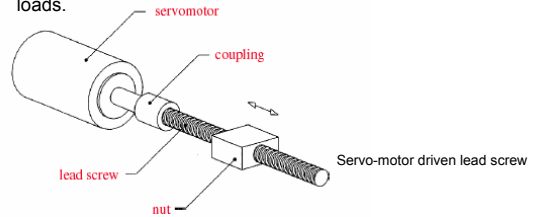
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- ❖ General Thread Nomenclature & Types
- ❖ **Power Screws**
  - Threads
  - Loads
  - Self-locking
  - Efficiency
- ❖ Stresses in Threads
- ❖ Preloading Fasteners/Joints
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## Power Screw

Power screws, also called lead screw, are used to convert rotation to linear motion in actuators, machine tools, clamps, and jacks. They can lift or move large loads.



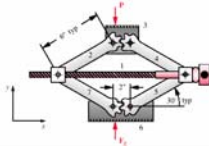
## Power Screw Applications

### Where have you seen power screws?

jacks for cars

C-clamps

vises



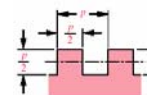
### Where have you seen power screws?

Material testing machines

machine tools

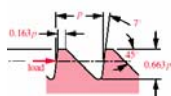
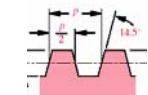


## Power Screw Types



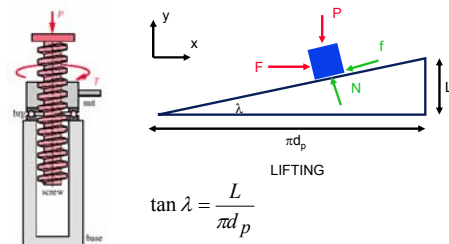
Square thread  
 $d_p = d - p/2$   
 $d_i = d - p$

- ❖ **Square**
  - strongest
  - no radial load
  - hard to manufacture
- ❖ **Acme**
  - 29° included angle
  - easier to manufacture
  - common choice for loading in both directions
- ❖ **Buttress**
  - great strength
  - only unidirectional loading



## Load Analysis

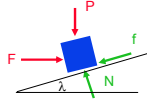
A screw thread is essentially an inclined plane that has been wrapped around a cylinder to create a helix.



## Load Analysis

1) Sum of horizontal forces = 0

$$F - f \cos \lambda - N \sin \lambda = 0$$



2) Sum of vertical forces = 0

$$N \cos \lambda - f \sin \lambda - P = 0$$

From Eqs 1 and 2:

$$F = P \left[ \frac{\mu \cos \lambda + \sin \lambda}{\cos \lambda - \mu \sin \lambda} \right]$$

## Load Analysis

The screw torque ( $T_{su}$ ) required to lift load is

$$T_{S_u} = F \frac{d_p}{2} = \frac{P d_p}{2} \left( \frac{\mu \cos \lambda + \sin \lambda}{\cos \lambda - \mu \sin \lambda} \right)$$

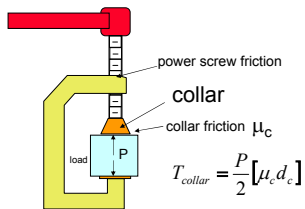
$$L = (\tan \lambda)(\pi d_p)$$

$$T_{S_u} = \frac{P d_p}{2} \left( \frac{\mu \pi d_p + L}{\pi d_p - \mu L} \right)$$

## Collar Torque

**LIFTING**

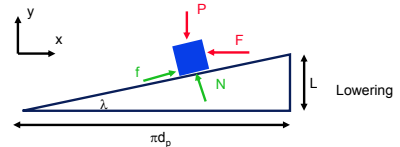
$$T_u = T_{S_u} + T_{collar} = \frac{P}{2} \left[ d_p \left( \frac{\mu \pi d_p + L}{\pi d_p - \mu L} \right) + \mu_c d_c \right]$$



## Load Analysis

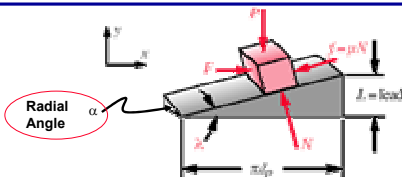
**LOWERING**

$$T_d = \frac{P}{2} \left[ d_p \left( \frac{\mu \pi d_p - L}{\pi d_p + \mu L} \right) + \mu_c d_c \right]$$



## For Acme Threads

The radial angle introduces an additional factor in the torque equations



**LIFTING**

$$T_u = T_{S_u} + T_{collar} = \frac{P}{2} \left[ d_p \left( \frac{\mu \pi d_p + L \cos \alpha}{\pi d_p \cos \alpha - \mu L} \right) + \mu_c d_c \right]$$

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## Self-Locking

Self-locking screw cannot be turned from applied load P. In other words, self-locking screw will hold the load in place **without any application of torque** ( $T_{su}=0$ ).

$$T_{su} = \frac{P}{2} \left[ d_p \left( \frac{\mu \pi d_p - L \cos \alpha}{\pi d_p \cos \alpha + \mu L} \right) \right] = 0 \rightarrow \mu \pi d_p - L \cos \alpha = 0$$

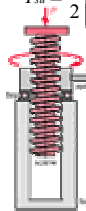
for self-locking:

$$\mu \geq \frac{L}{\pi d_p} \cos \alpha \quad \text{or} \quad \mu \geq \tan \lambda \cos \alpha$$

since  $L = (\tan \lambda)(\pi d_p)$

If it is a **square thread** ( $\cos \alpha = 1$ ):

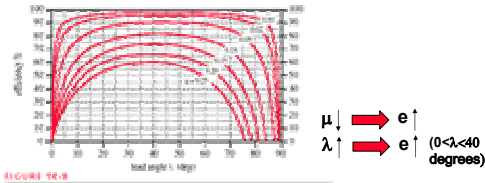
$$\mu \geq \frac{L}{\pi d_p} \quad \text{or} \quad \mu \geq \tan \lambda$$



## Efficiency

$e$  = work delivered by the screw in one revolution/ work done on a power screw

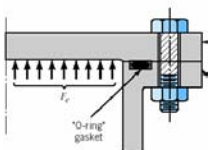
$$e = \frac{W_{out}}{W_{in}} = \frac{PL}{2\pi T} = \frac{\cos \alpha - \mu \tan \lambda}{\cos \alpha + \mu \cot \lambda}$$



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- ❖ Stresses in Threads
  - Body Stresses
    - » Axial
    - » Torsion
  - Thread Stresses
    - » Bearing
    - » Bending
  - Buckling
- ❖ Preloading Fasteners/Joints
- ❖ Fasteners in Shear

## Fasteners: Static and Fatigue Analysis



**Static problem: Fixed pressure**

- What size and material bolt to use?
- How much to tighten?

**Fatigue problem: Varying pressure**

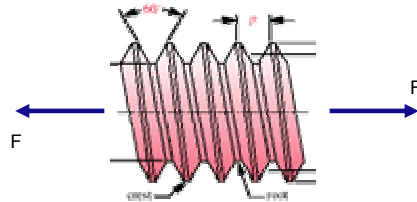
- What size and material bolt to use?
- How much to tighten?
- Predict life in cycles



Possible failure locations:

- Threads
- Body
- Neck

## Axial Tensile Stress



$$\sigma_t = \frac{F}{A_t}$$

$$A_t = \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{d_p}{2} + \frac{d_r}{2} \right)^2$$

$A_t$  also in Tables 14-1 and 14-2

## Torsional Stress

depends on friction at screw-nut interface

**For screw and nut,**

- if totally locked (rusted together), the screw experiences all of torque
- if frictionless, the screw experiences none of the torque

$$\tau = \frac{Tr}{J} = \frac{16T}{\pi d_r^3}$$

**For power screw,**

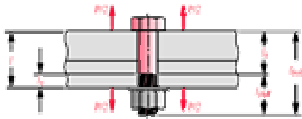
- if low collar friction, the screw experiences nearly all of torque
- if high collar friction, the nut experiences most of the torque

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## Preloading & Proof Strength

- ✦ Bolts and screws are typically preloaded and the proof strength is taken as the reference for preloading (taking yield strength as reference for preloading may cause a damage on the material);  $S_p$  is the stress at which bolt begins to take a permanent set and it is close to, but lower than yield strength of the material.



$$l = l_t + l_s$$

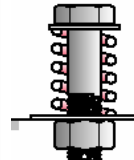
$$l_t = \begin{cases} 2d + 6 \text{ mm} & l \leq 150 \\ 2d + 12 \text{ mm} & l > 150 \end{cases}$$

### Preloading

- static loading: preload at roughly 90% of  $S_p$
- dynamic loading: preload at roughly 75% of  $S_p$

## Spring Behavior

BOTH material being clamped and bolt behave as springs



$$k = \frac{AE}{l}$$

$$\sigma = E\epsilon$$

$$\frac{F}{A} = E \frac{\delta}{l}$$

$$\delta = \frac{Fl}{AE}$$

$$k = \frac{F}{\delta} = \frac{AE}{l}$$

for the bolt, threaded vs unthreaded have different spring constants and are modeled as springs in series:

$$\frac{1}{k_b} = \frac{l_t}{A_t E_b} + \frac{l_s}{A_b E_b}$$

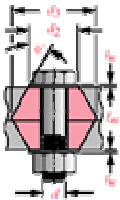
see Table 14-2 for  $A_t$  (tensile stress area)  
use major diameter in calculating  $A_b$

## Affected Area of Material

For material, basic model is as follows:

$$\frac{1}{k_m} = \frac{l_m}{A_m E}$$

Area is hard to define... from experiments, the following is accurate:

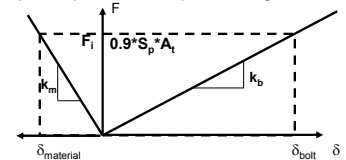
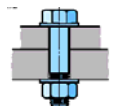


$$A_m \approx \frac{\pi}{4} \left[ \left( \frac{d_2 + d_3}{2} \right)^2 - d^2 \right]$$

See Figure 14-31 for the definition of parameters !

## Loading & Deflection: Preloading

A preload  $F_i$  is applied up to 90 percent of the proof strength.



- Slope of the bolt line is positive because its length increases with increased force.
- Slope of the material is negative as its length decreases with increasing force.
- Bolt stretches more than the material compresses.
- Material is typically stiffer than the bolt ( $k_m > k_b$  since  $A_m \gg A_b$ )

## Preloading

- static loading: preload at roughly 90% of  $S_p$   
 $F_i = 0.9 \cdot S_p \cdot A_t$

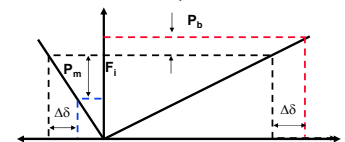
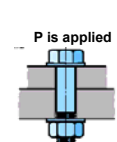
Proof strength depends on material.  
See Table 14.7

Table 14-7 Metric Specifications and Strengths for Steel Bolts

Class Number	Size Range Outside Diameter (mm)	Minimum Proof Strength (MPa)	Minimum Yield Strength (MPa)	Minimum Tensile Strength (MPa)	Material
4.6	M5-M36	225	240	400	low or medium carbon
4.8	M1.6-M16	310	340	420	low or medium carbon
5.8	M5-M24	380	420	520	low or medium carbon
8.8	M3-M36	600	660	830	medium carbon, Q&T
9.8	M1.6-M16	650	720	900	medium carbon, Q&T
10.9	M5-M36	830	940	1 040	low-carbon martensite, Q&T
12.9	M1.6-M36	970	1 100	1 220	alloy, quenched & tempered

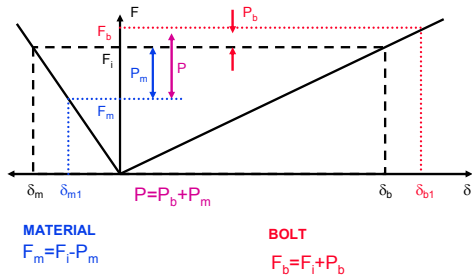
## Loading & Deflection

An external load  $P$  is applied later, which results in additional deflection  $\Delta\delta$  (same amount of deflection in the bolt and the material).



- The external load  $P$  is split into two components: one taken by the material ( $P_m$ ) and one taken by the bolt ( $P_b$ ). Material takes most of the applied load ( $P_m > P_b$ ). However, if  $P_m = F_i$ , the joint will separate.

## Loading & Deflection



## Distribution of Applied Load

$$\Delta\delta_b = \Delta\delta_m$$

$$\Delta\delta = \frac{P_b}{k_b} = \frac{P_m}{k_m}$$

$$P_b = \frac{k_b}{k_m} P_m = \frac{k_b}{k_m + k_b} P$$

$$P_b = CP, \text{ where}$$

$$C = \frac{k_b}{k_m + k_b}$$

$$P_m = P - CP = P(1 - C)$$

## Yielding Safety Factor

$$\begin{aligned} F_m &= F_i + P_m \\ F_b &= F_i + P_b \end{aligned} \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} F_m &= F_i + P(C-1) \\ F_b &= F_i + CP \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_b = \frac{F_b}{A_t}$$

$$N_y = S_y / \sigma_b$$

## Separation

Separation occurs when

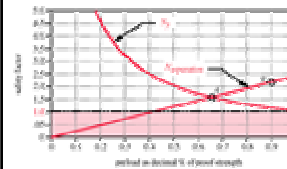
$$P_m - F_i \geq 0$$

$$F_m \leq 0$$

$$F_i + P(C-1) \leq 0$$

$$P_0 = \frac{F_i}{1-C}$$

$$N_{separation} = \frac{P_0}{P} = \frac{F_i}{(1-C)P}$$



- The separation safety factor increases linearly with increasing preload (i.e. tightening the bolt is good for reducing separation)

- The yielding safety factor decreases with increasing preload (i.e. tightening the bolt too much increases the static failure)

## Dynamic Loading of Fasteners

- ❖ Bolt only absorbs small % of P
- ❖ Stresses
  - Bolt is in tension
  - Material is in compression
- ❖ Fatigue is a tensile failure phenomenon
- ❖ ∴ Preloading helps tremendously in fatigue

## Dynamic Loading of Fasteners

P is a function of time, varying some  $P_{min}$  and maximum  $P_{max}$  values, both positive. A very common situation is that of a fluctuating load such as in a bolted pressure vessel that is cycled from zero ( $P_{min}=0$ ) to maximum pressure.

For the general case ( $P_{min} > 0, P_{max} > 0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} F_{bmax} &= P_{bmax} + F_i \\ F_{bmin} &= P_{bmin} + F_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{bmean} &= (F_{bmax} + F_{bmin})/2 \\ F_{balt} &= (F_{bmax} - F_{bmin})/2 \end{aligned}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{bmax} &= C P_{max} \\ P_{bmin} &= C P_{min} \end{aligned}$$

## Dynamic Loading of Fasteners

For the special case ( $P_{\min} = 0, P_{\max} > 0$ )

$$P_{b\min} = 0 \text{ (since } P_{\min} = 0)$$

$$F_{b\min} = F_i$$

$$F_{b\text{alt}} = P_{b\max} / 2 = (F_{b\max} - F_i) / 2$$

$$F_{b\text{mean}} = F_i + (P_{b\max} / 2) = (F_{b\max} + F_i) / 2$$

$$\sigma_a = K_f \frac{F_{b\text{alt}}}{A_t}$$

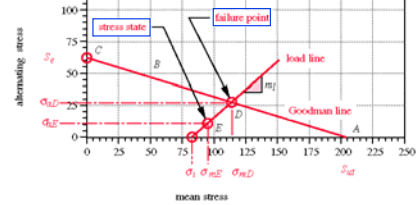
$$\sigma_m = K_{fm} \frac{F_{b\text{mean}}}{A_t} \quad \text{Take } K_{fm} = 1 \text{ for preloaded fasteners}$$

$$\sigma_i = K_{fi} \frac{F_i}{A_t}$$

$A_t$ : bolt's tensile stress area (Table 14-1, 14-2)  
 $K_f$ : fatigue stress concentration factor (Table 14-8, pp. 910)  
 $K_{fm}$ : mean fatigue stress concentration factor

## Dynamic Loading of Fasteners: Goodman Diagram

$$N = \frac{\sigma_{altD}}{\sigma_{altE}} = \frac{(\sigma_{meanD} - \sigma_i)}{(\sigma_{meanE} - \sigma_i)} = \frac{S_e(S_{ut} - \sigma_i)}{S_e(\sigma_{meanE} - \sigma_i) + S_{ut}\sigma_{altE}}$$

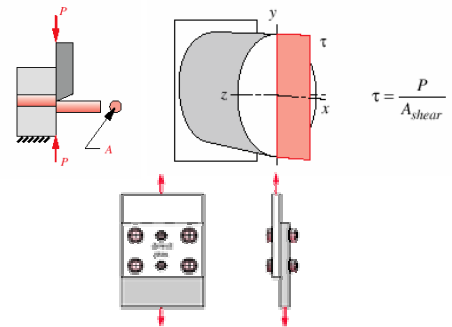


Modified-Goodman Diagram Showing Load Line and Data Needed for Safety-Factor Calculation of Dynamically Loaded Fasteners

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  - Straight Direct Shear
  - Eccentric Shear

## Direct Shear

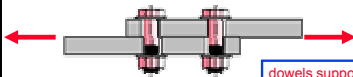


## Doweled Joints

"It is not considered good practice to use bolts or screws in shear to locate and support precision machine parts under shear loads"

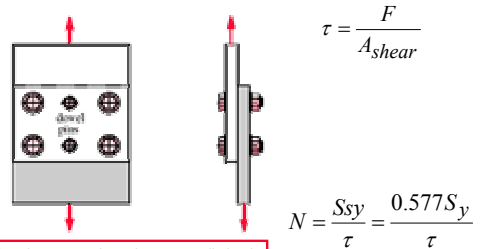


- ❖ Norton
- ❖ Shear can be handled by friction caused by bolts... but, better practice is to use dowels
- ❖ Bolts need clearances... at best 2 out of a 4 bolt pattern will bear all of load



dowels support shear, but not tensile loads  
 bolts support tensile loads, but not shear

## Direct Shear



dowels support shear, but not tensile loads  
 bolts support tensile loads, but not shear



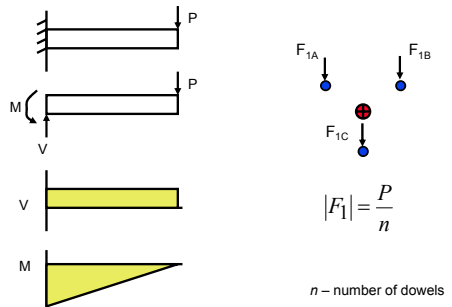
## Eccentrically Loaded Shear

### Strategy

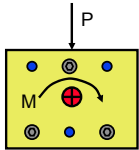
- ❖ Find Centroid
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  - ⊗ Find distances from centroid
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  - ⊗ Decompose to x and y
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## Primary Shear



## Moment/Secondary Shear



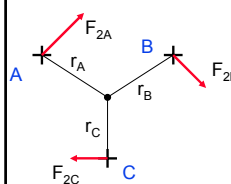
the moment will add further shear to the dowels,  $F_2$

the moment is centered around the center of gravity of the dowels

$$\bar{x} = \frac{A_1x_1 + A_2x_2 + A_3x_3}{A_1 + A_2 + A_3} = \frac{\sum_1^n A_i x_i}{\sum_1^n A_i}$$

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## Finding Forces from Moment

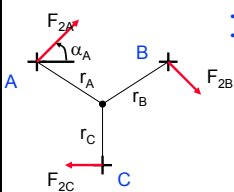


$$M = F_{2A}r_A + F_{2B}r_B + F_{2C}r_C$$

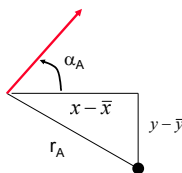
$$\frac{F_{2A}}{r_A} = \frac{F_{2B}}{r_B} = \frac{F_{2C}}{r_C}$$

$$F_{2i} = \frac{Mr_i}{r_A^2 + r_B^2 + r_C^2 + \dots} = \frac{Mr_i}{\sum_1^n r_j^2}$$

## Angles and Vectors

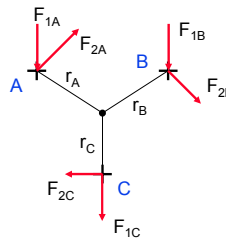


- Force is perpendicular to radial lines
- From known dimensions and trig, calculate  $\alpha$



$$\frac{y - \bar{y}}{x - \bar{x}} = \tan(90 - \alpha_A)$$

## Remaining Steps



- ❖ Decompose  $F_{2i}$  into x and y components
- ❖ Add x and y components of  $F_{2i}$  to  $F_{1i}$
- ❖ Recompose x and y components into  $F_{net,i}$  and determine angle of  $F_{net}$

## Safety Factor

Calculate safety factor for most heavily loaded dowel

$$\tau = \frac{F}{A_{shear}}$$

$$N = \frac{S_{sy}}{\tau} = \frac{0.577S_y}{\tau}$$

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## Outline Revisited



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