

# PHYS1101 News

- **GRAB A CLICKER AS YOU COME IN**
- **I'll explain what to do with it once the lecture starts**









# Clicker Dry Run

- Clicker marks are for participation only.
- And we won't start counting the marks until next week (so you get a chance to learn the system).
- You can miss up to 20% of lectures without penalty. If you need to miss more (e.g. due to a clash), let me know.

# Keep your clickers

- Keep them all semester. Hand them back at the end.
- If you lose yours, there will be a fee to get it replaced.

# Tutorials start today

- (labs are not until next week)



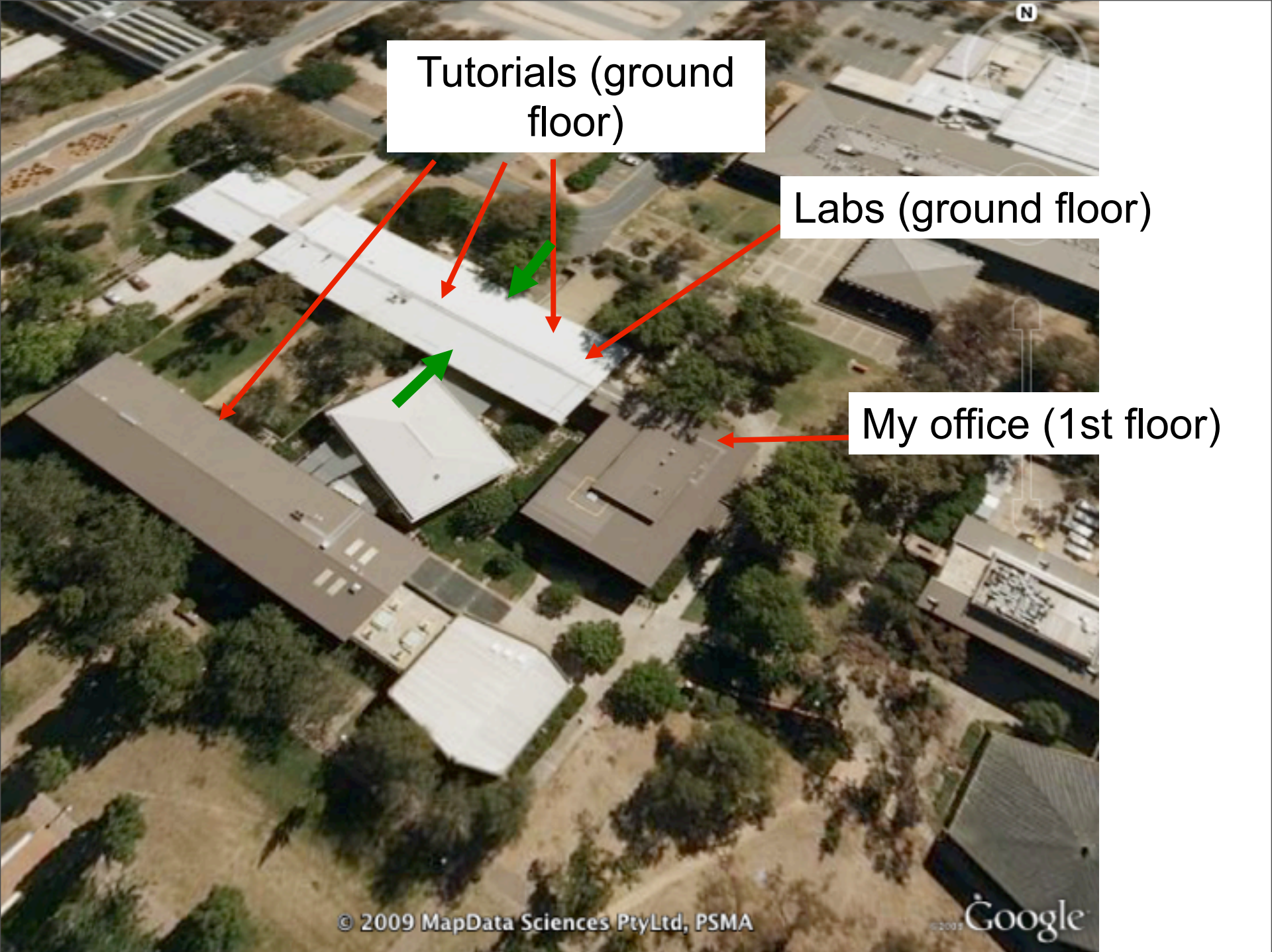


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Tutorials (ground floor)

Labs (ground floor)

My office (1st floor)

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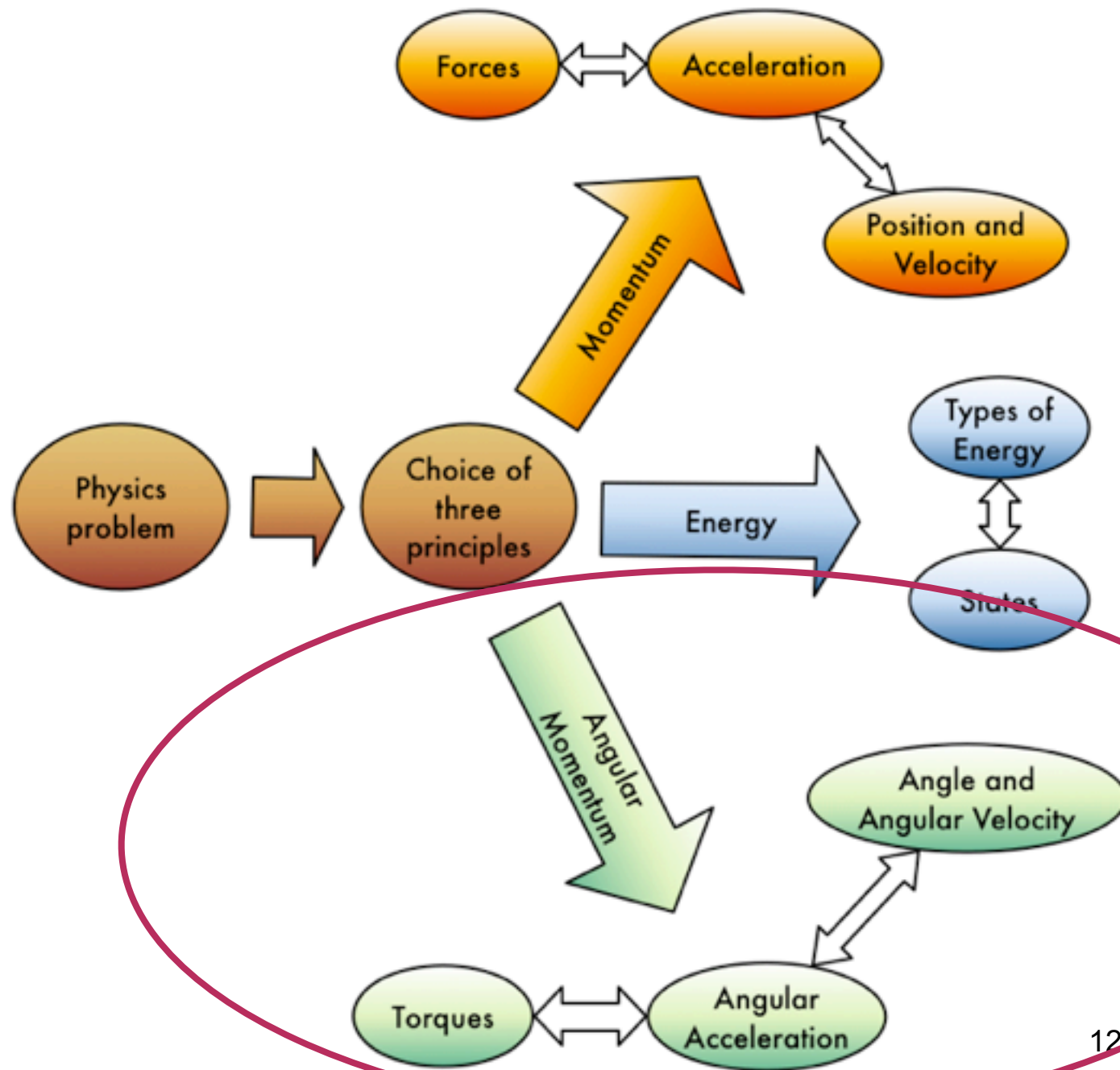


# Tutors and Tutorials 2011

## Schedule

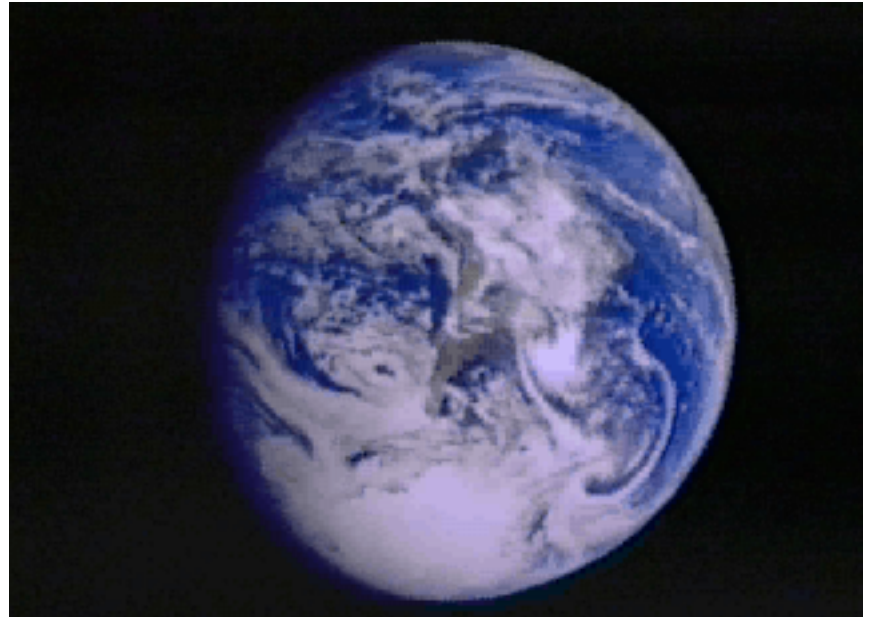
<b>Tutorial</b>	<b>Tutor</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>Monday 11am</b>	Kim, Iain	PSYC G05
<b>Monday 12</b>	Bianca	Tute room
<b>Monday 1pm</b>	Khu	Tute room
<b>Tuesday 10</b>	Michele	Seminar room
<b>Tuesday 11 A</b>	Kim	Seminar room
<b>Tuesday 11 B</b>	Michele	Tutorial room
<b>Tuesday 1</b>	Rose	Seminar room
<b>Wednesday 10 A</b>	Scott	Seminar Room
<b>Wednesday 10am B</b>	Imam	Tutorial room
<b>Wednesday 12</b>	Rajiv	Seminar room
<b>Thursday 9</b>	Danielle	Seminar room
<b>Thursday 10</b>	Prasanga	Seminar room
<b>Friday 10am</b>	Phil, Danielle	PSYC G05
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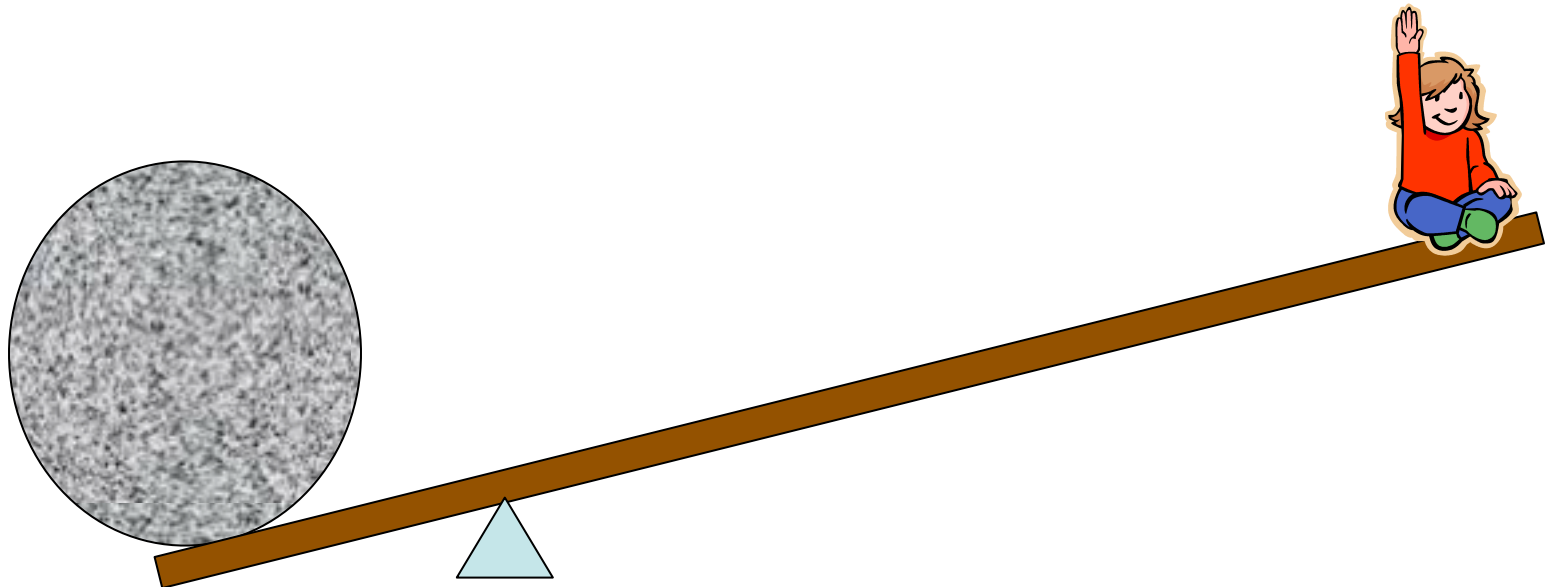
# Angular Momentum

- Fundamental Idea: rotating things keep rotating if left to themselves (like the Earth).
- What do you have to do to start something rotating or stop it?



# This was discovered several thousand years ago

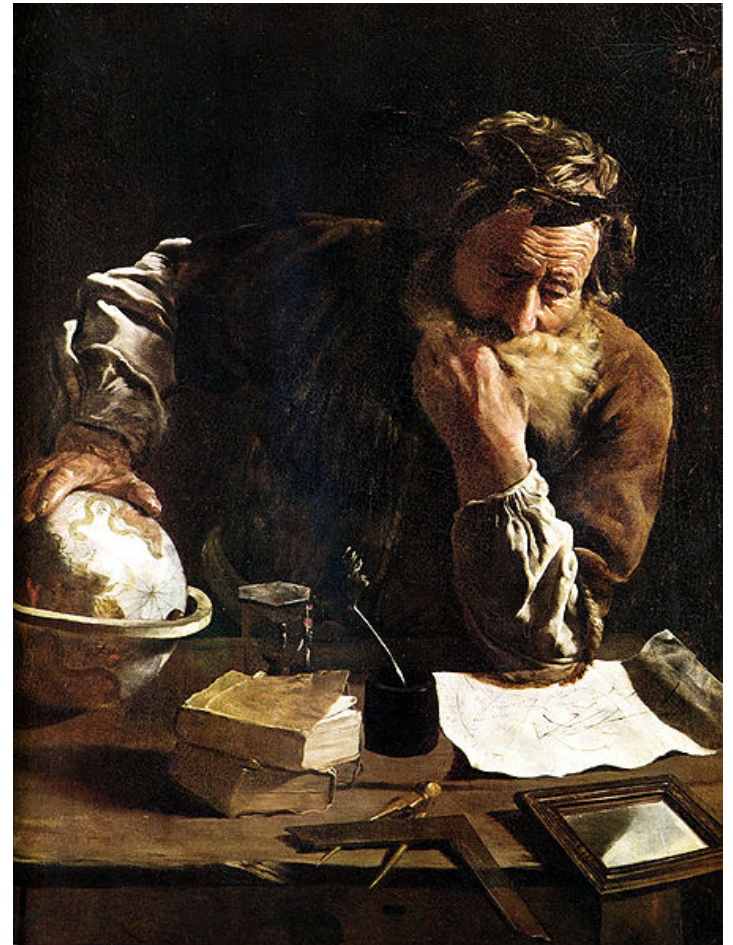
- With the invention of the lever.





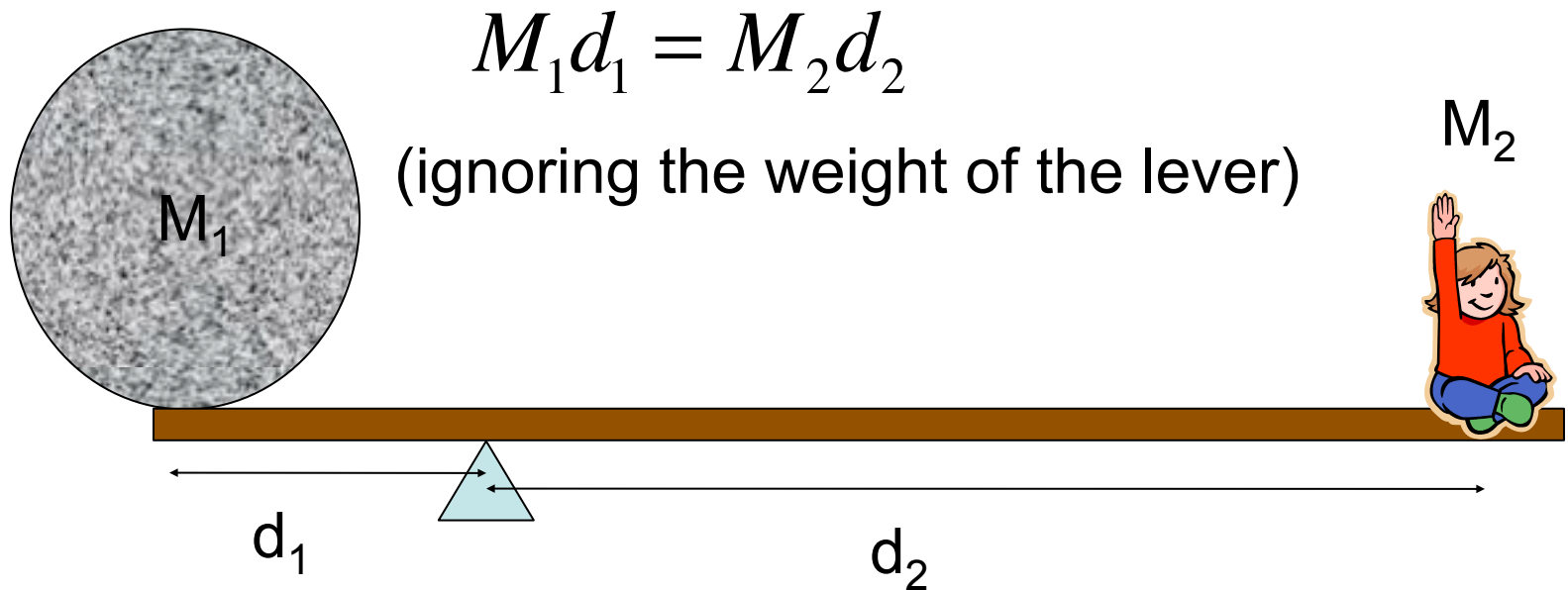
# Archimedes

- *“Give me a lever long enough and I will move the world!”*
- But he didn't invent it  
- that was done  
thousands of years  
earlier



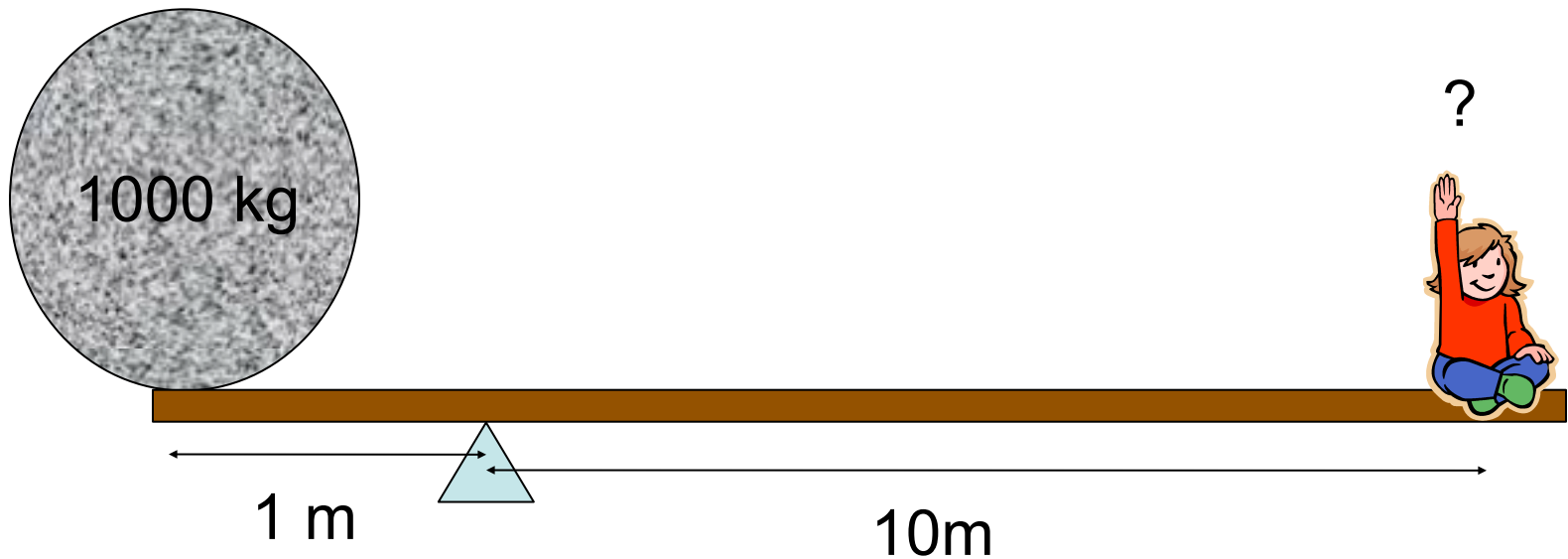
# Greek scientists did figure out the balance rule

- To balance two weights, the product of weight times distance from the hinge must be the same.



# Clicker Question

How heavy must the girl be?



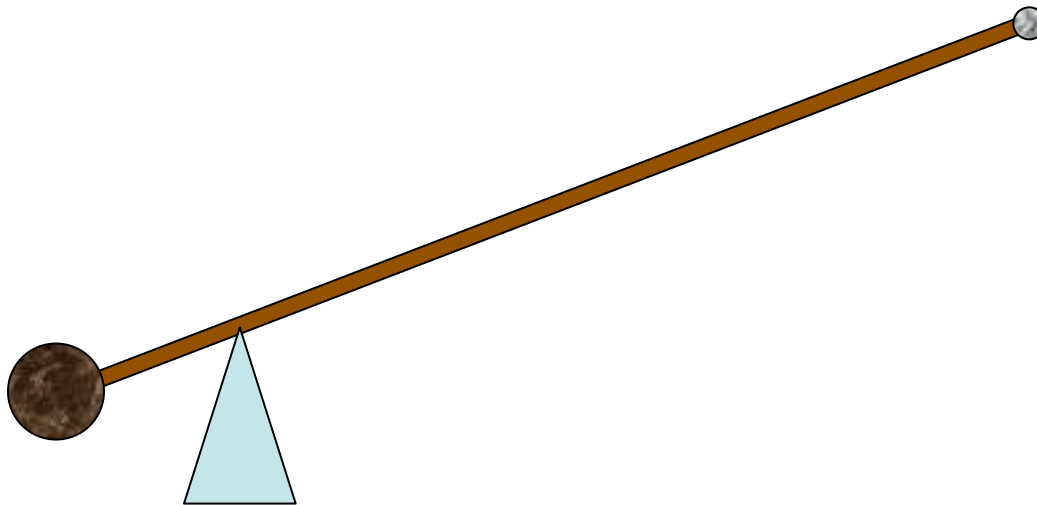


# Answer

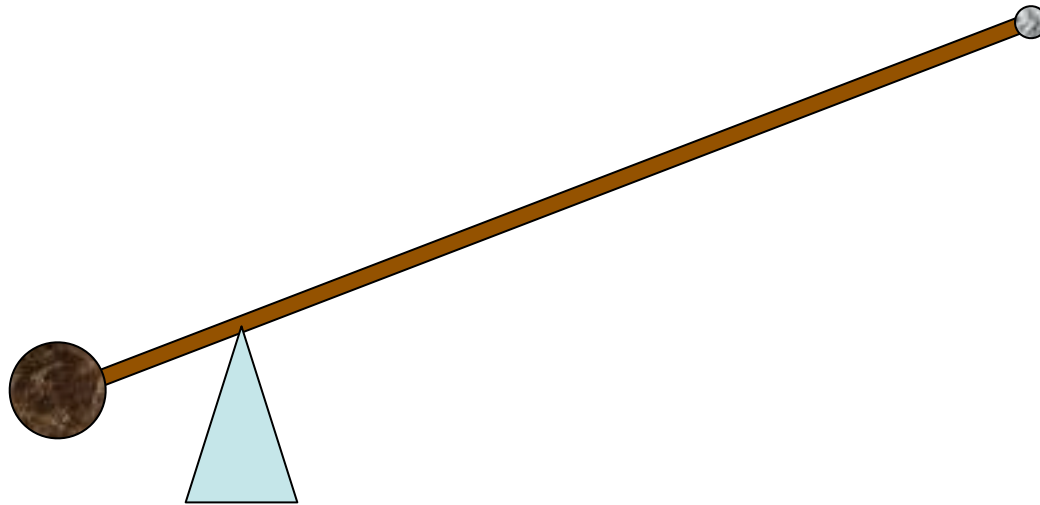
- 100 kg
- Because 1000 times 1 equals 100 times ten

# But one thing eluded the Greeks

- What if the forces were not all in a line?
- For example - a tilted balance...
- Does the same rule apply?



# Clicker Question



- If you take a balanced lever, and tilt it, what happens?

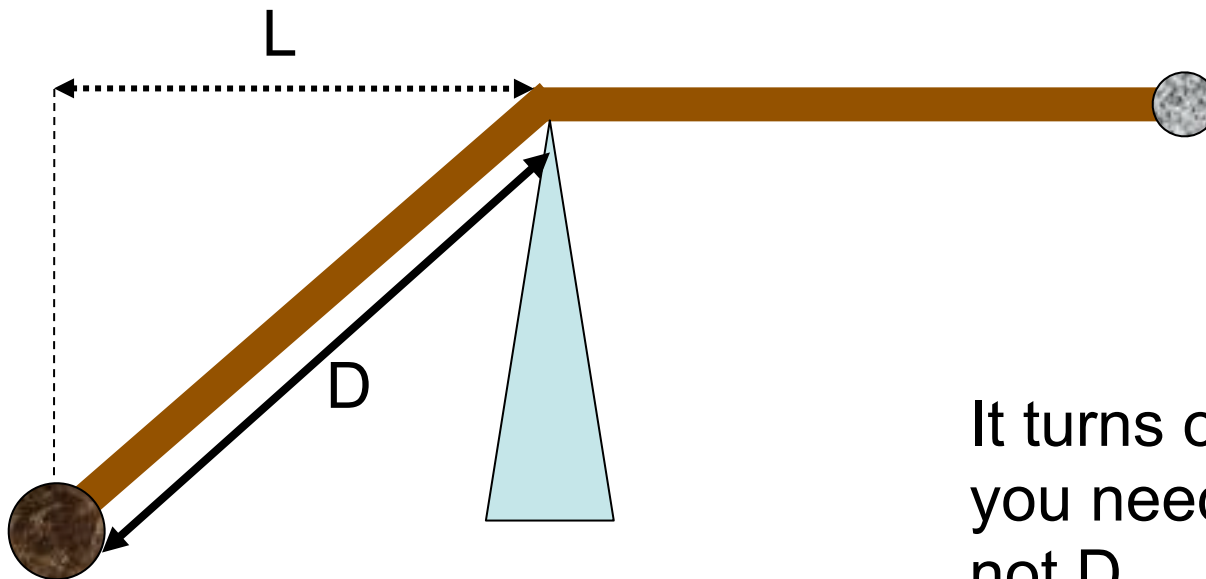


# Answer

- It remains tilted

# Or a bent balance?

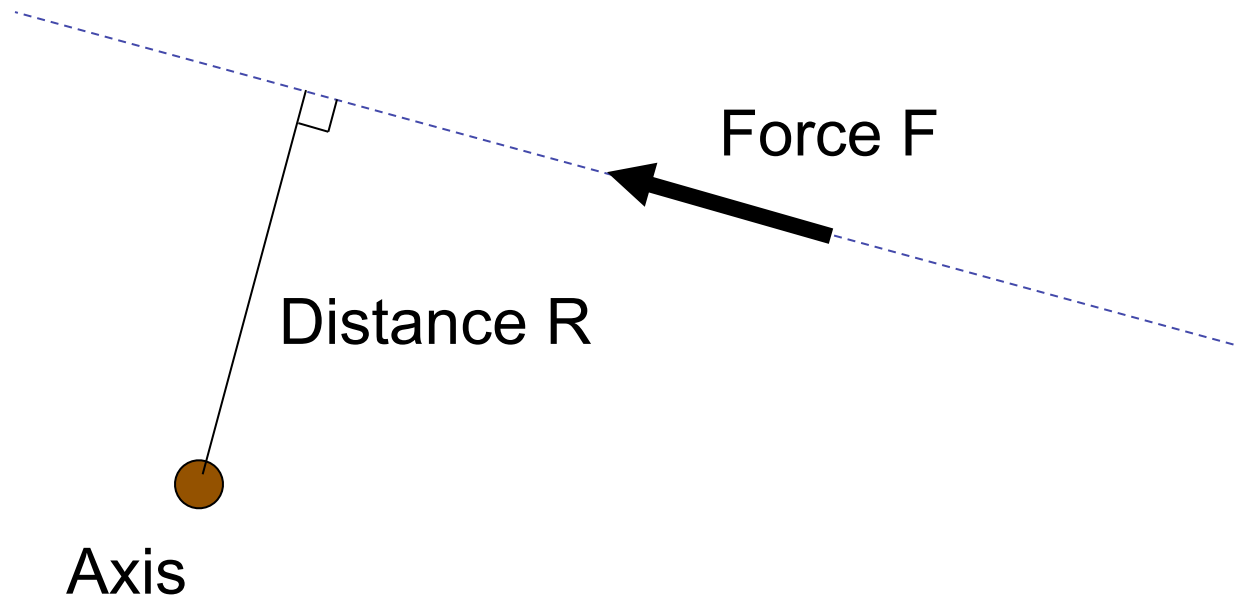
- What distance do you use now - the distance from the hinge  $D$ ? (no)



It turns out that  
you need to use  $L$ ,  
not  $D$ .

# Torque

- Isaac Newton (surprise, surprise) worked it out.
- He came up with the concept of “Moment of Force”, also known as “Torque”.
- A object rotates if the net torque around its axis is zero.
- And what is torque?

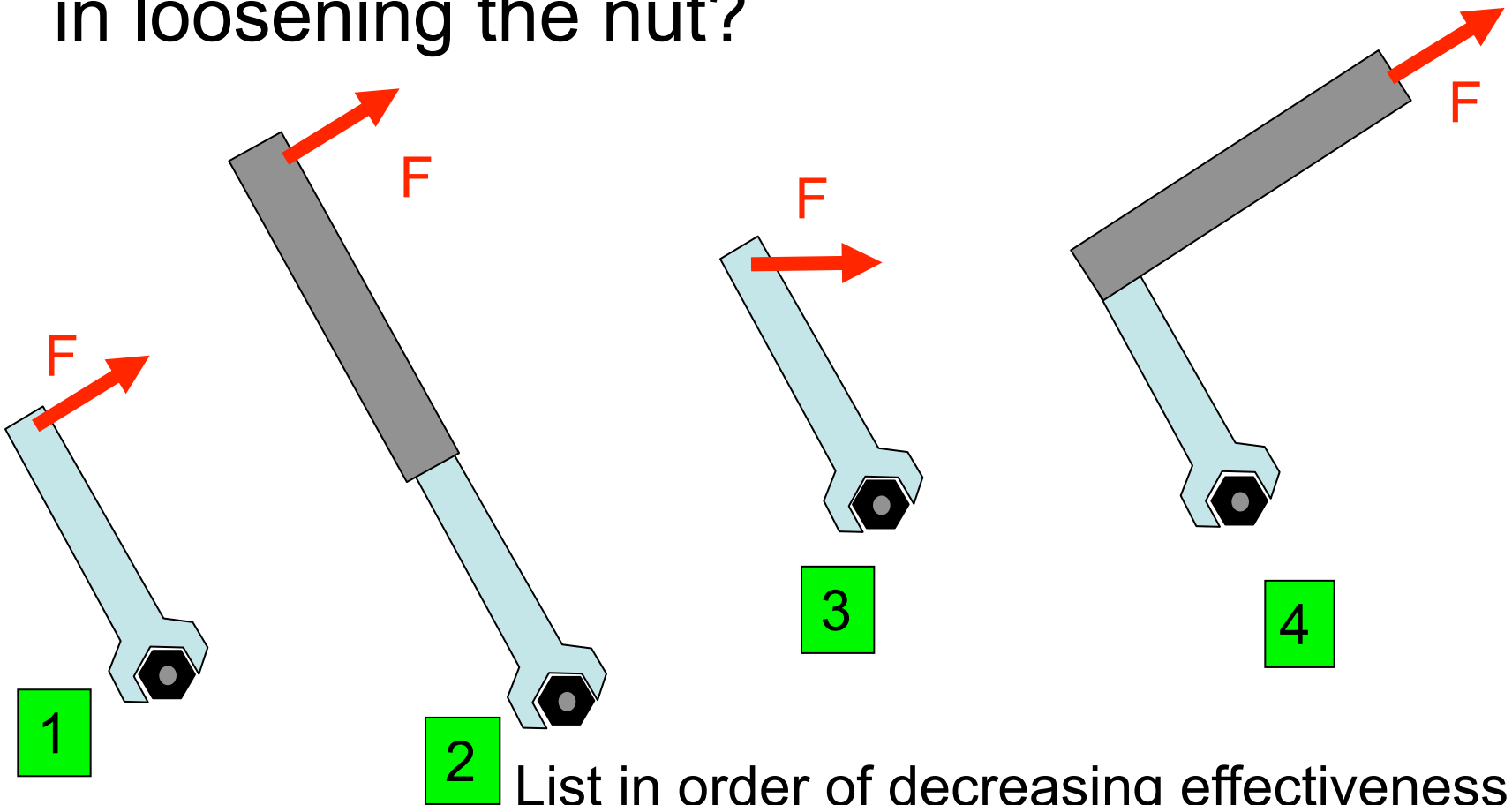


- Torque is  $F$  times  $R$ .
- Where  $R$  is measured along a line from the axis perpendicular to the force.



# Wrench question

- You are using a spanner and trying to loosen a rusty nut. Which of the arrangements shown is most effective in loosening the nut?



# Answer

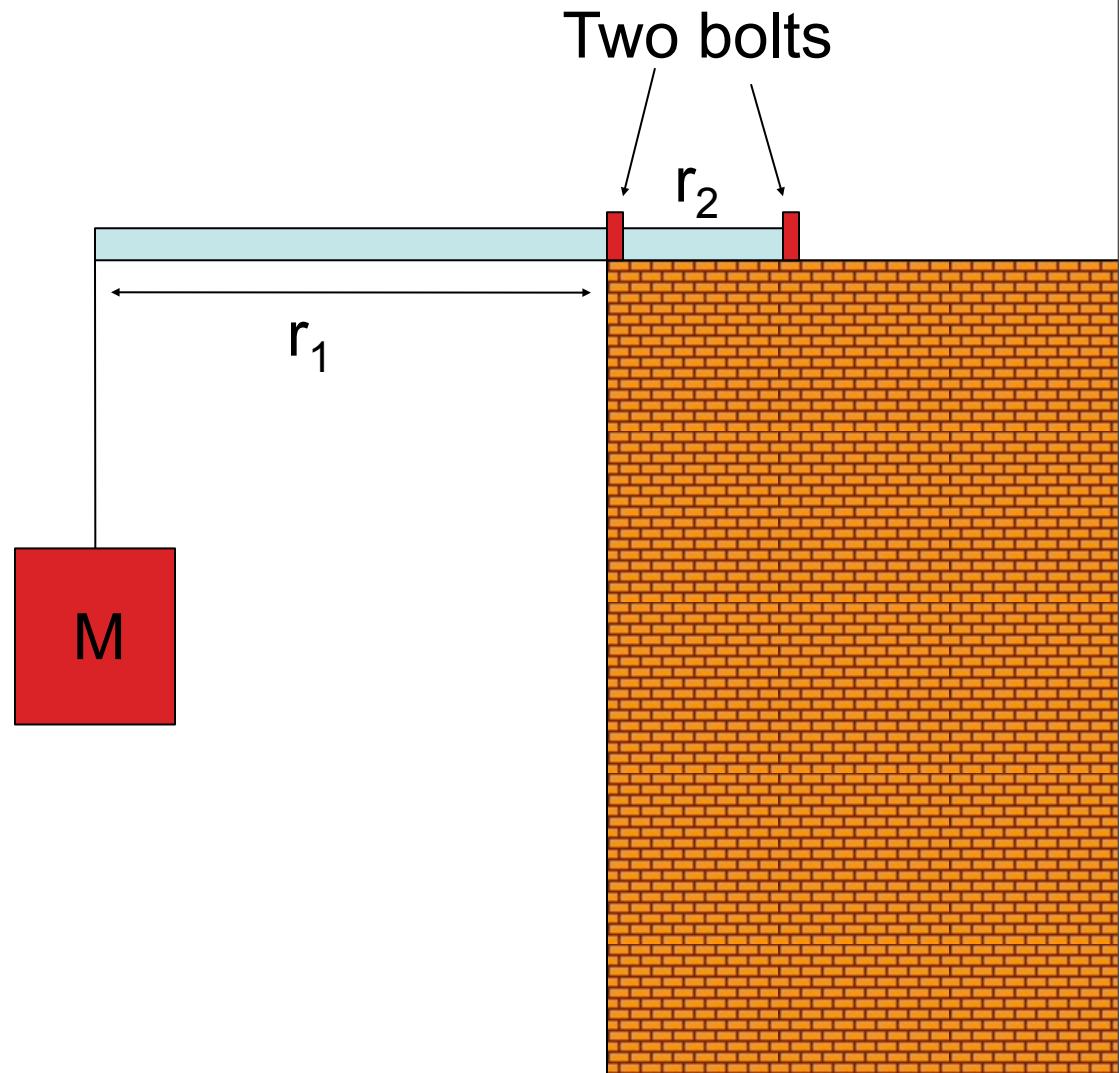
- 2 is best
- 1 and 4 are equal
- 3 is worst.
- In all cases the force is equal, so you need only compare the “moment arm” or how far a line through the force vector passes at its closest to the axis.

# Statics

- We now have all the tools we need for the complete study of “Statics” - things that don't move.
- From our knowledge of Newton's laws - all the forces on a given object or system must (vector) sum to zero.
- From our knowledge of torques, the torques on any given object (around any possible axis) must add up to zero.

# For example

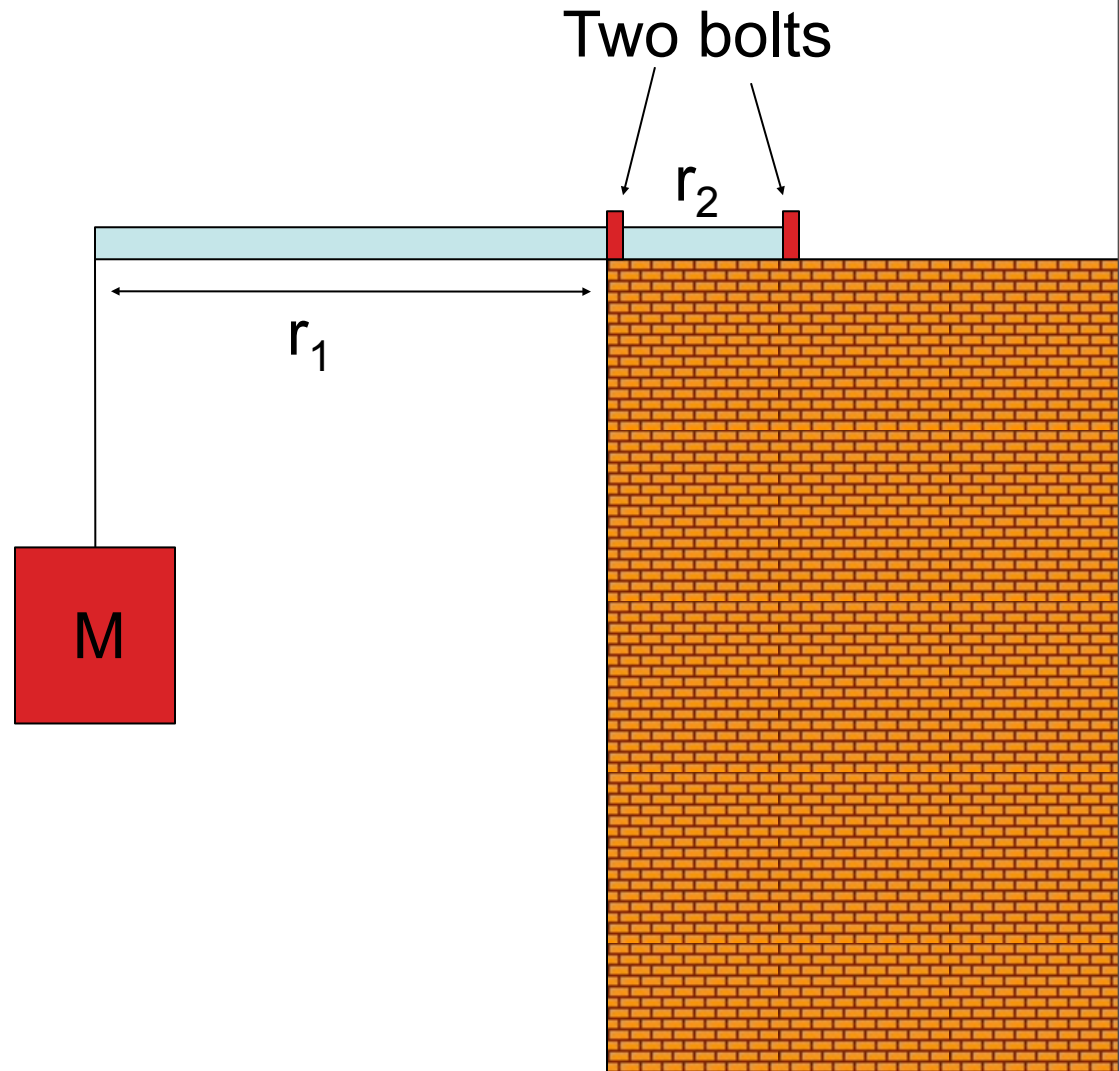
- Let's say you want to attach a light-weight beam to the roof of a building, from which a heavy sign will be hung.



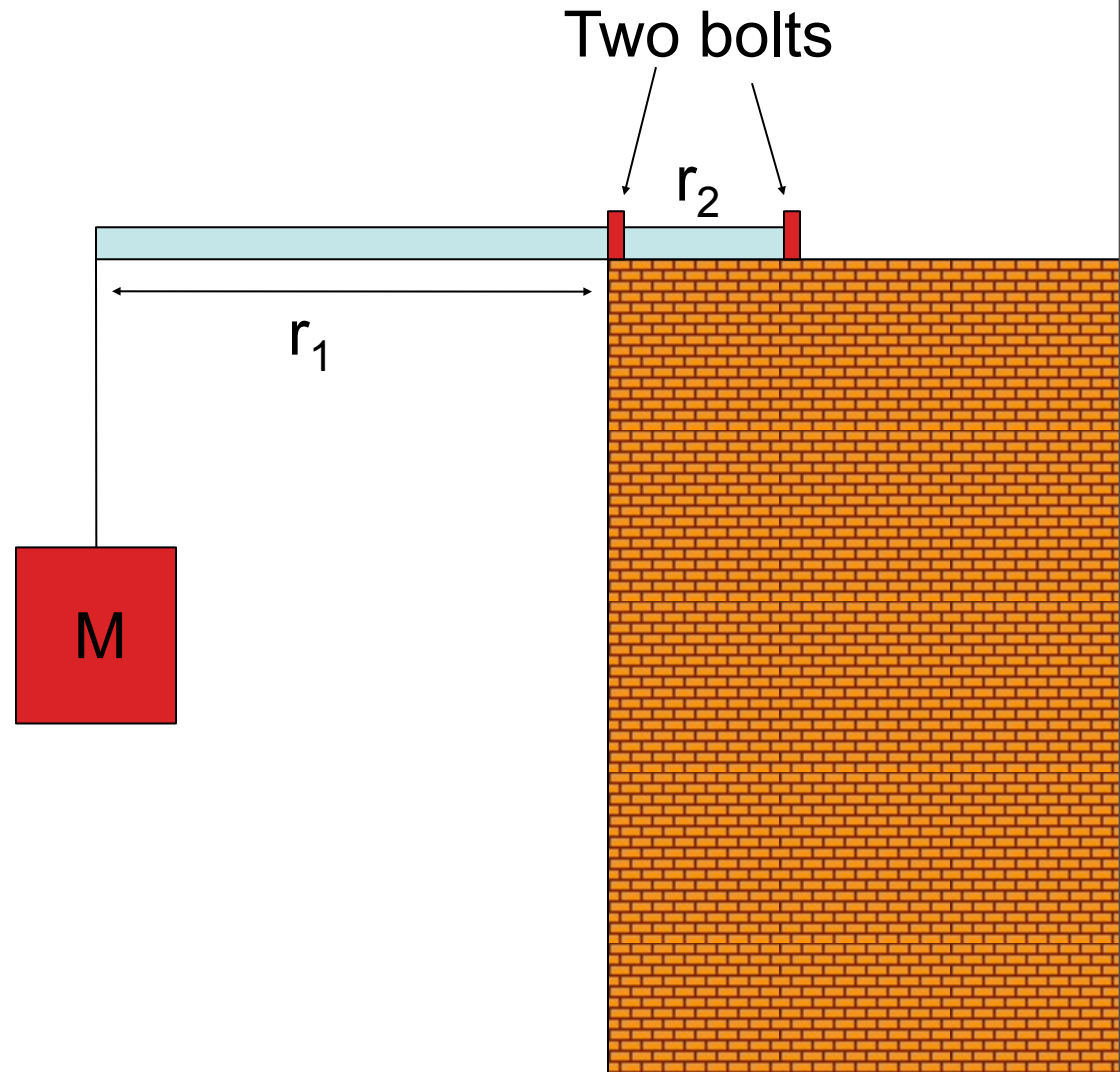
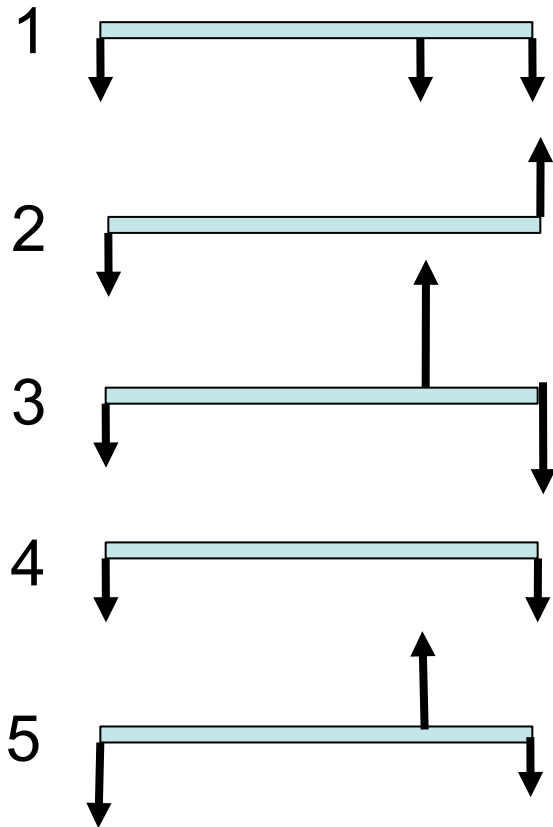


# Use your intuition

- Three forces act on the beam - one from the weight and one at each bolt.
- Sketch the relative sizes and directions of them.
- (remember - the forces *acting on the beam*)



# Force directions

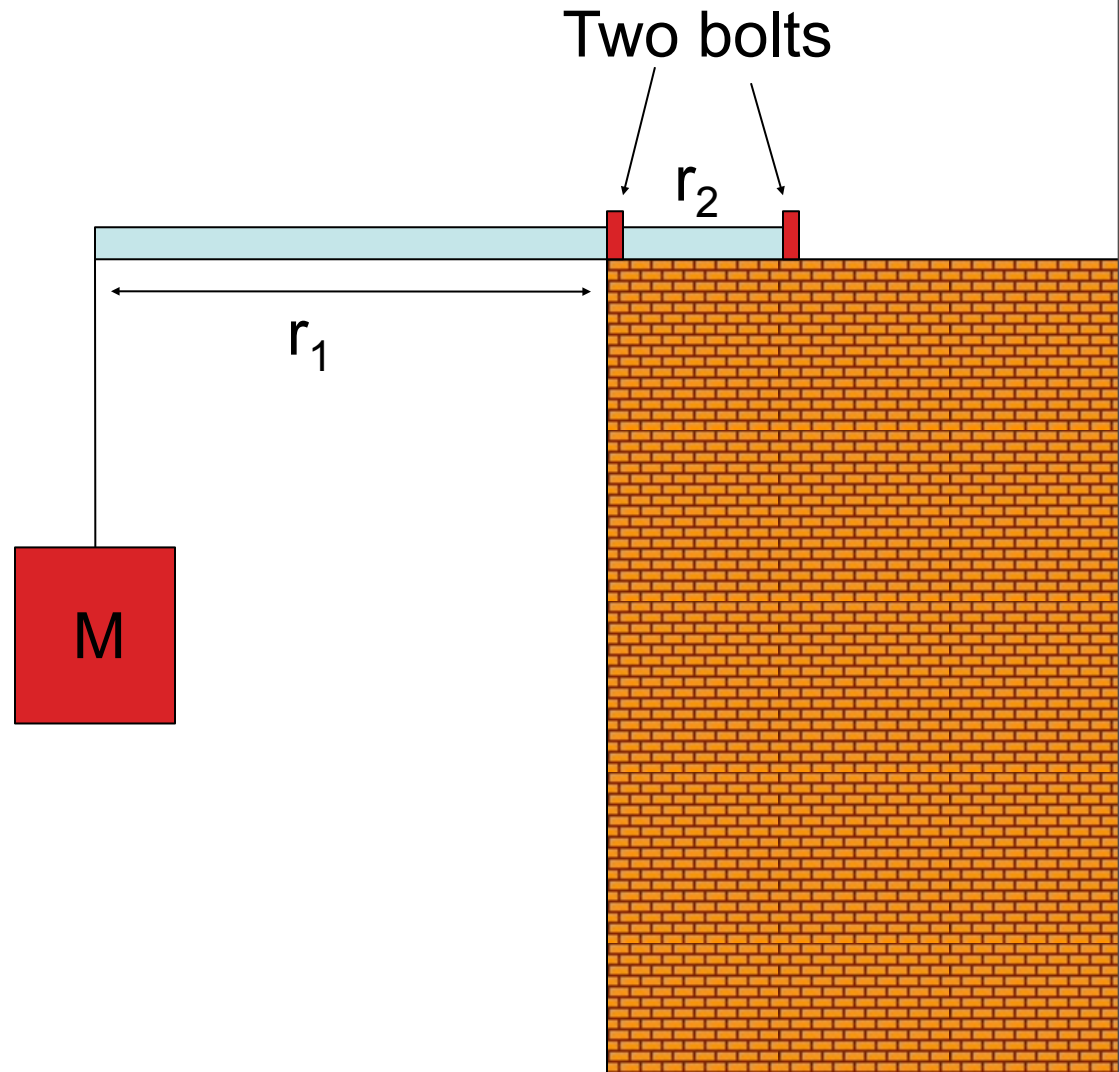


# Answer

- Correct answer is 3

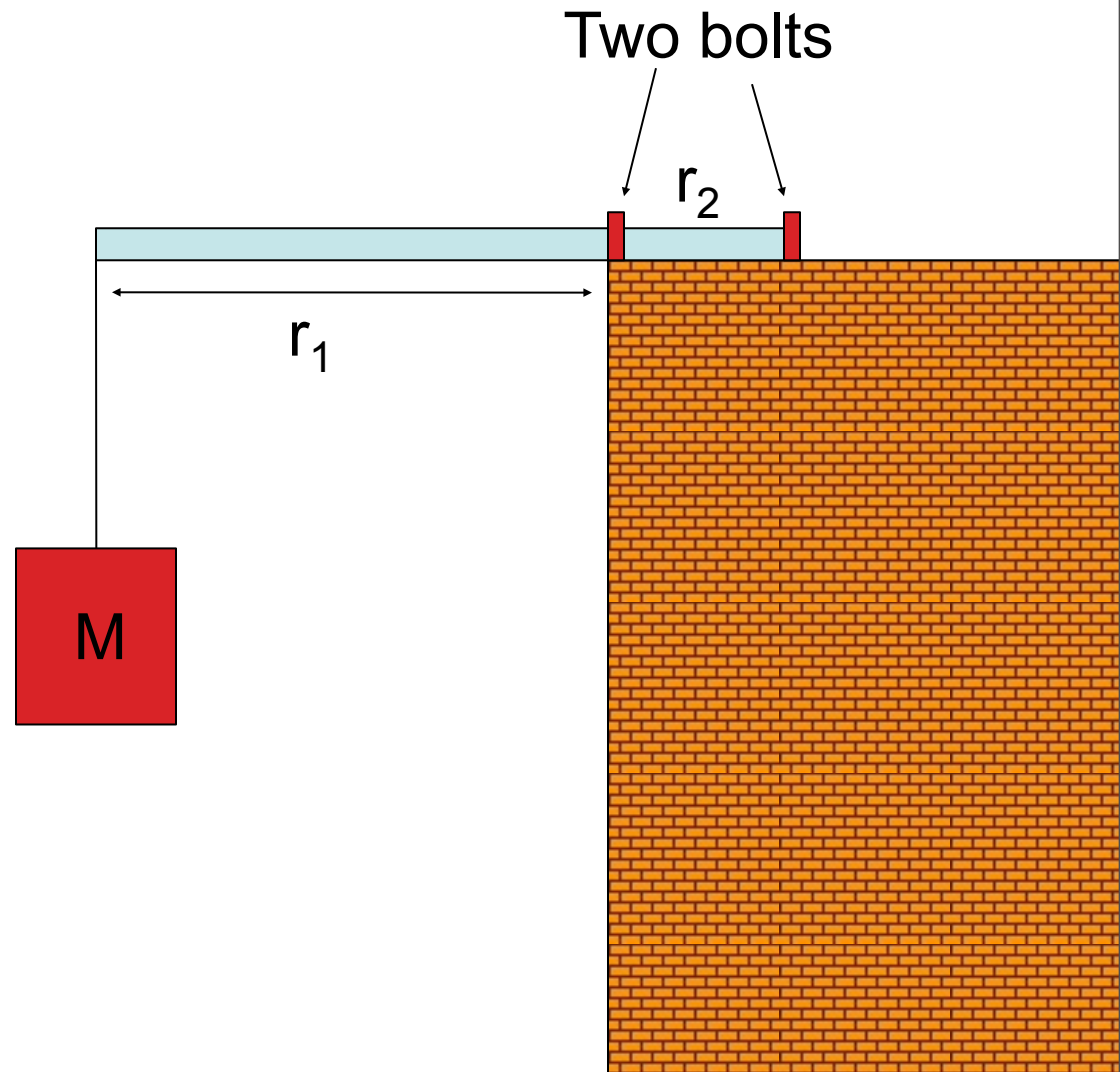
# Use two principles - momentum and angular momentum

- The forces on the beam must sum to zero or it would accelerate (momentum)
- The torques on the beam (around any hinge) must sum to zero or it would rotate (angular momentum).



- The weight applies a downward force.
- So the net force from the bolts must be upwards to compensate.
- But if the force from both was upwards, there would be a net torque and the beam would rotate.
- The only solution is to have an upward force from the bolt at the building edge, and a smaller downward force from the other bolt.

# Which direction?



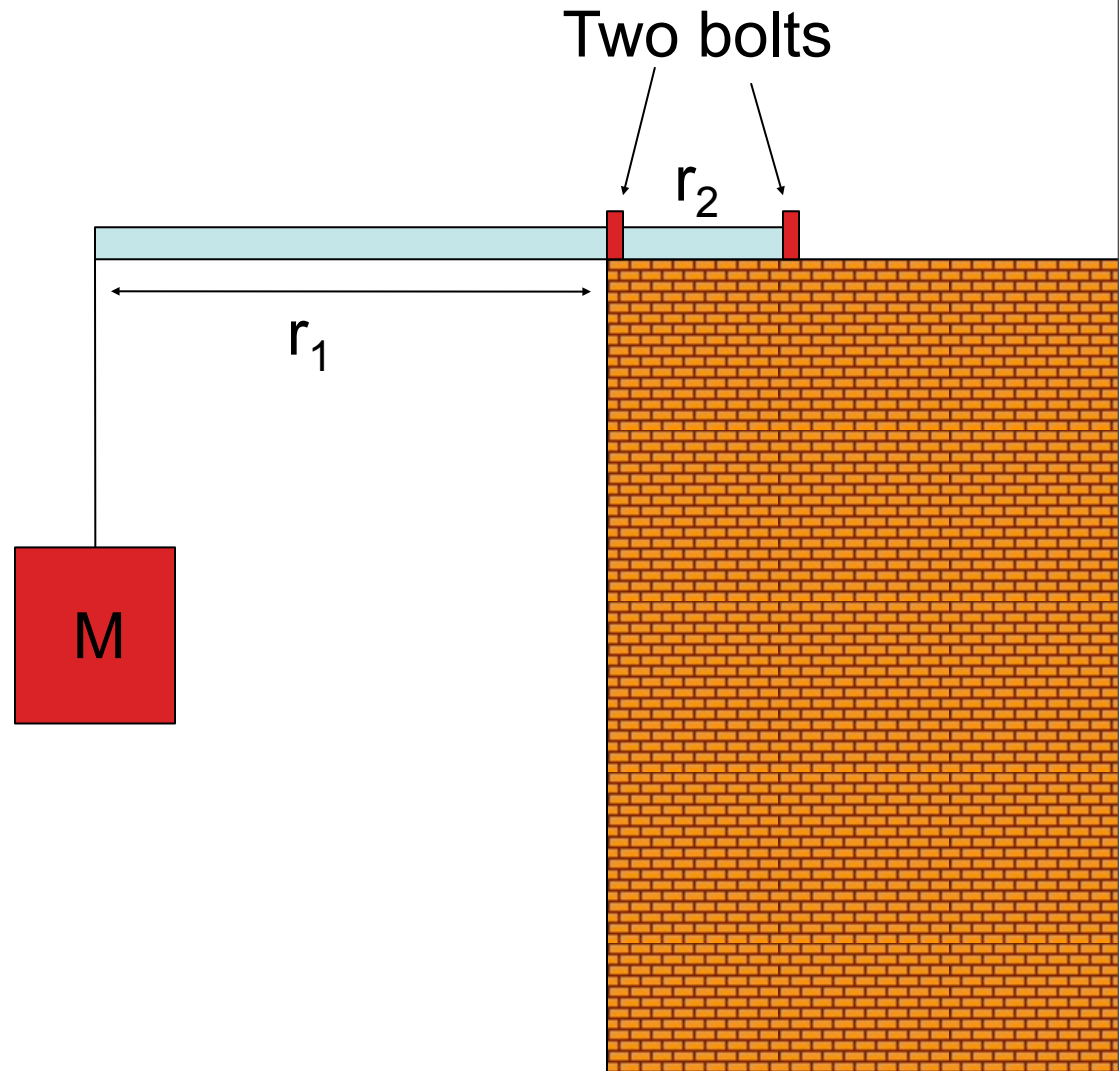


# Does this agree with your common sense?

- Imagine standing on the roof holding the beam with your two hands.
- Which hand would be pushing down and which pulling up?

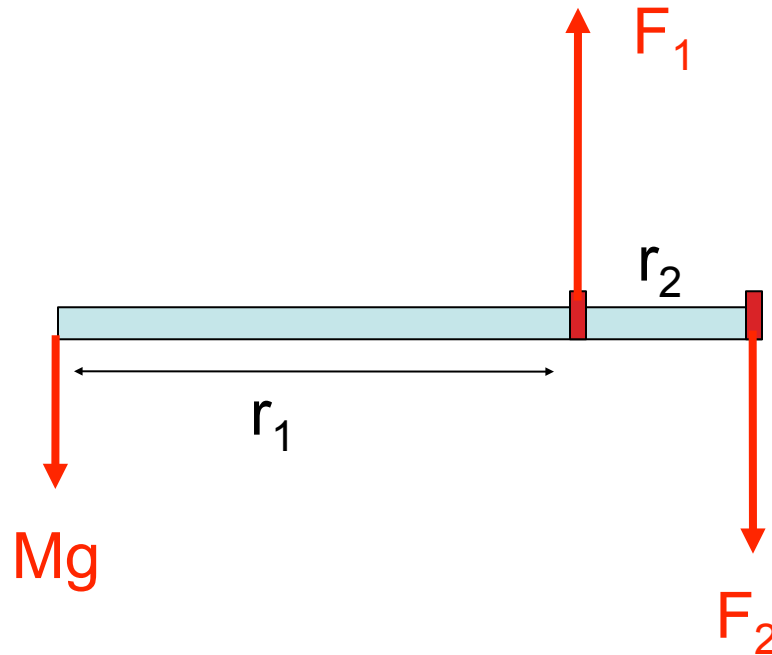
# How big are the forces?

- Take the beam as our system.
- Draw (as usual) a diagram



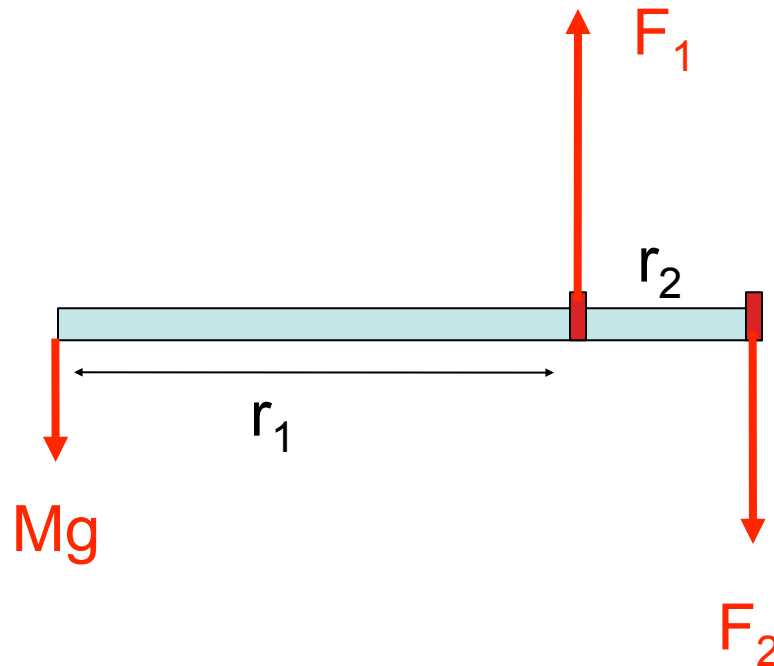
# How big are the forces?

- Take the beam as our system.
- For all “statics” problems like this - write down the net force and the net torque equations.
- Both must be zero.
- Net force upwards is  $F_1 - F_2 - Mg = 0$



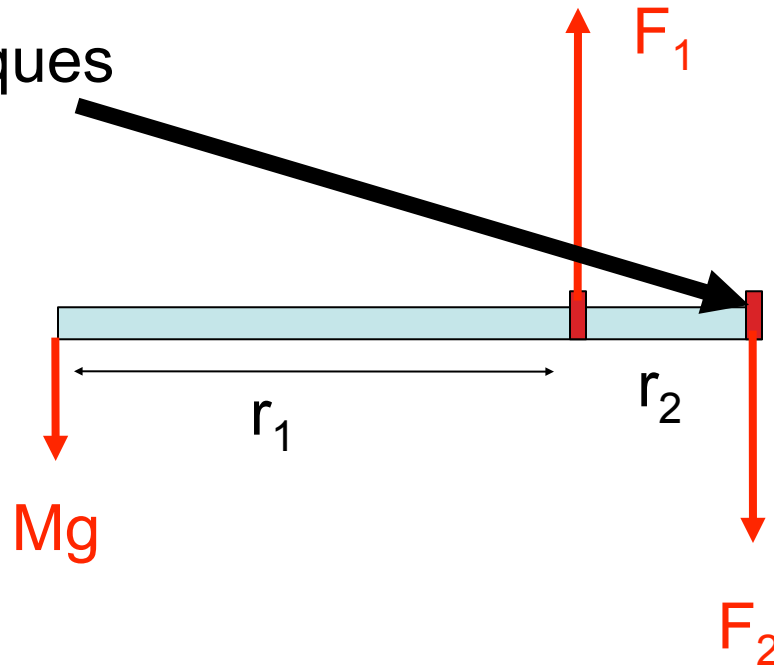
# Now balance torques

- About where shall we measure torques?
- It doesn't matter - the answer will be the same regardless.
- But a clever choice will make the maths easier.
- Hint - if there is some force you don't want to work out, pick a hinge on that force..



# To work out $F_1$ ...

- Measure torques around here



$$F_1 r_2 - M g (r_1 + r_2) = 0$$

Rearrange...

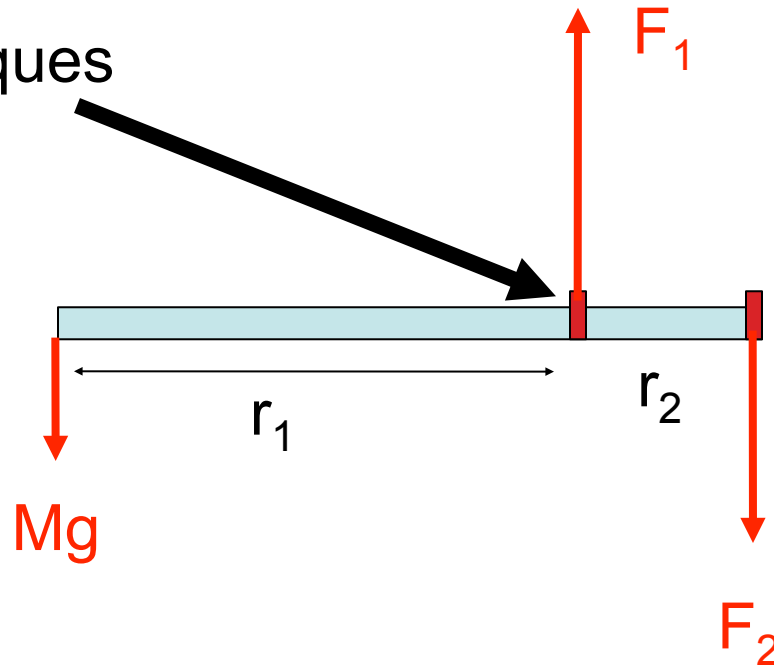
$$F_1 r_2 = M g (r_1 + r_2)$$

$$F_1 = \frac{Mg(r_1 + r_2)}{r_2}$$



# To work out $F_2$ ...

- Measure torques around here



$$F_2 r_2 - M g r_1 = 0$$

Rearrange...

$$F_2 r_2 = M g r_1$$

$$F_2 = \frac{M g r_1}{r_2}$$

# Check

$$F_1 - F_2 = \frac{Mg(r_1 + r_2)}{r_2} - \frac{Mgr_1}{r_2} = Mg \left( \frac{r_1 + r_2}{r_2} - \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right) = Mg$$

So the net force really is zero...

# Solve anything!

- Any static situation can be solved this way!
- Forces on any object must balance.
- Torques (about any axis you like) on any object must balance.
- This will give you enough equations to solve simultaneously to solve almost any problem.

# Crazy structures...

- Just balance forces and torques for each object.
- You may end up with a LOT of simultaneous equations in various unknowns.

