

# STEM

SAGAMORE HILLS

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# Bridge

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## Test #2: Which Hits with More Force?

Place both balls on the lid and hold it above the tub of sand. Quickly pull the lid down and away so that the balls will drop into the tub at the same time.

1. Describe what the sand looks like where the two balls have fallen.

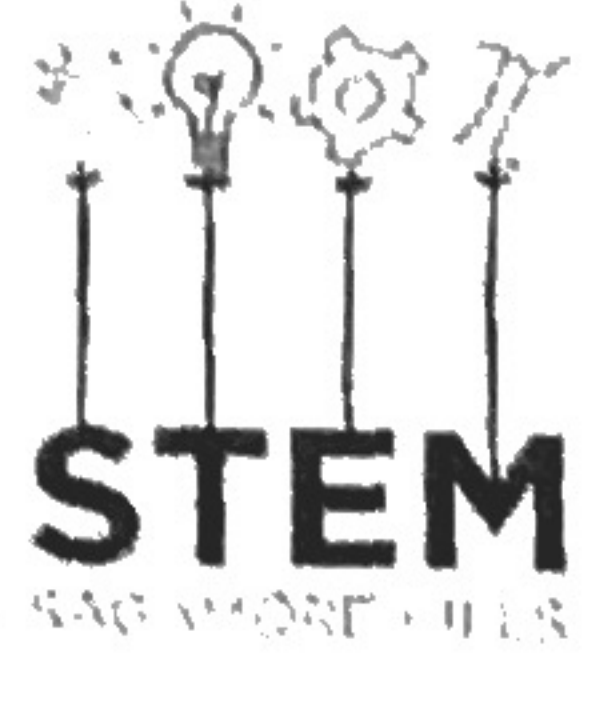
The golf ball crater looks deeper because it is heavier. The pingpong ball you can barely see it because it is lighter.

2. By looking at the craters in the sand, which ball seemed to fall with more force? Why do you think that is?

The golf ball, because it has more mass than the pingpong ball.



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# Sagamore S.T.E.M. Standards Correlation Chart

## Science

S4P3 - Demonstrate the relationship between a force and the resulting change in position

## Math

MGSE.5.NBT.5 - Apply multiplication and division to calculate force.

## S.T.E.M.

Building Bridges with Bennett & Pless

## Social Studies

Development of architectural structures through history.

## Language Arts

Apply vocabulary specific to the engineering of bridges



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Step 1 - Define the problem - Design a bridge that will hold the most weight and deflect the least.

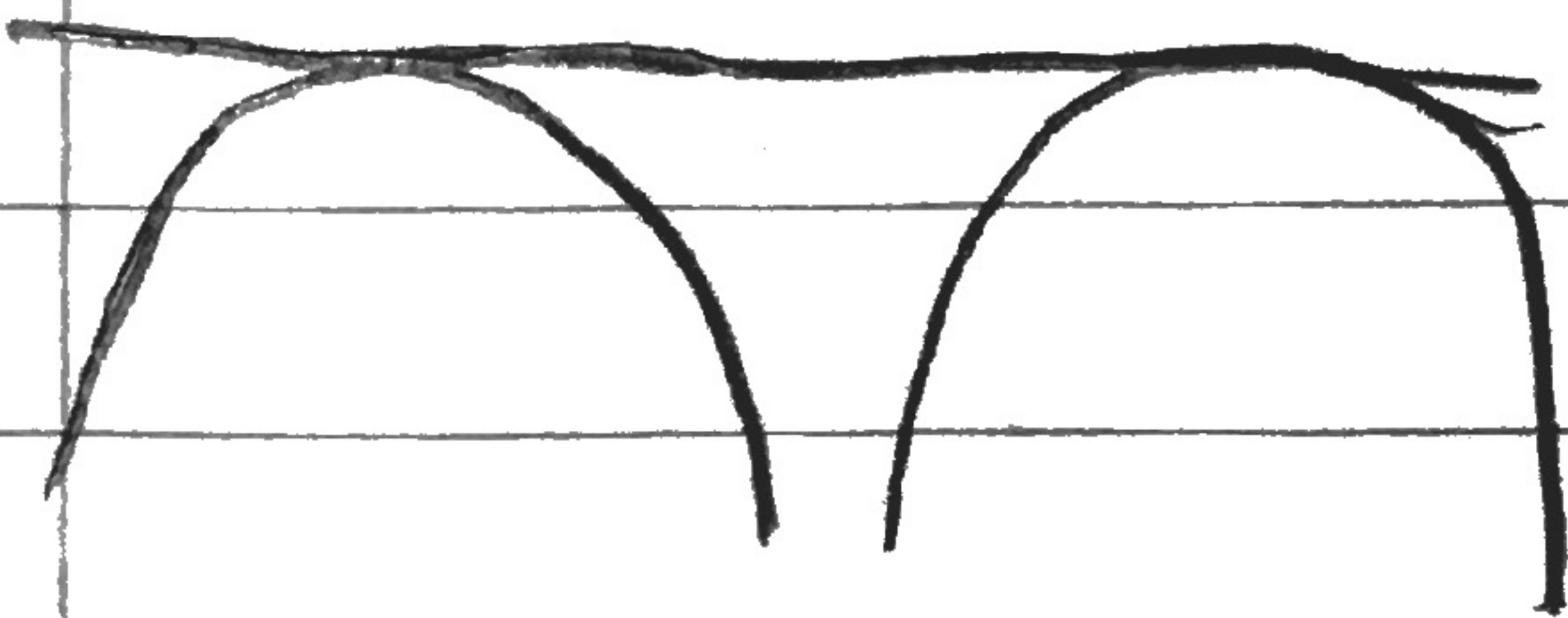
Step 2 - Collect Information -

- All bridges will be loaded and tested the same way
- The bridge will have a span of 34"
- Materials -  
Glue

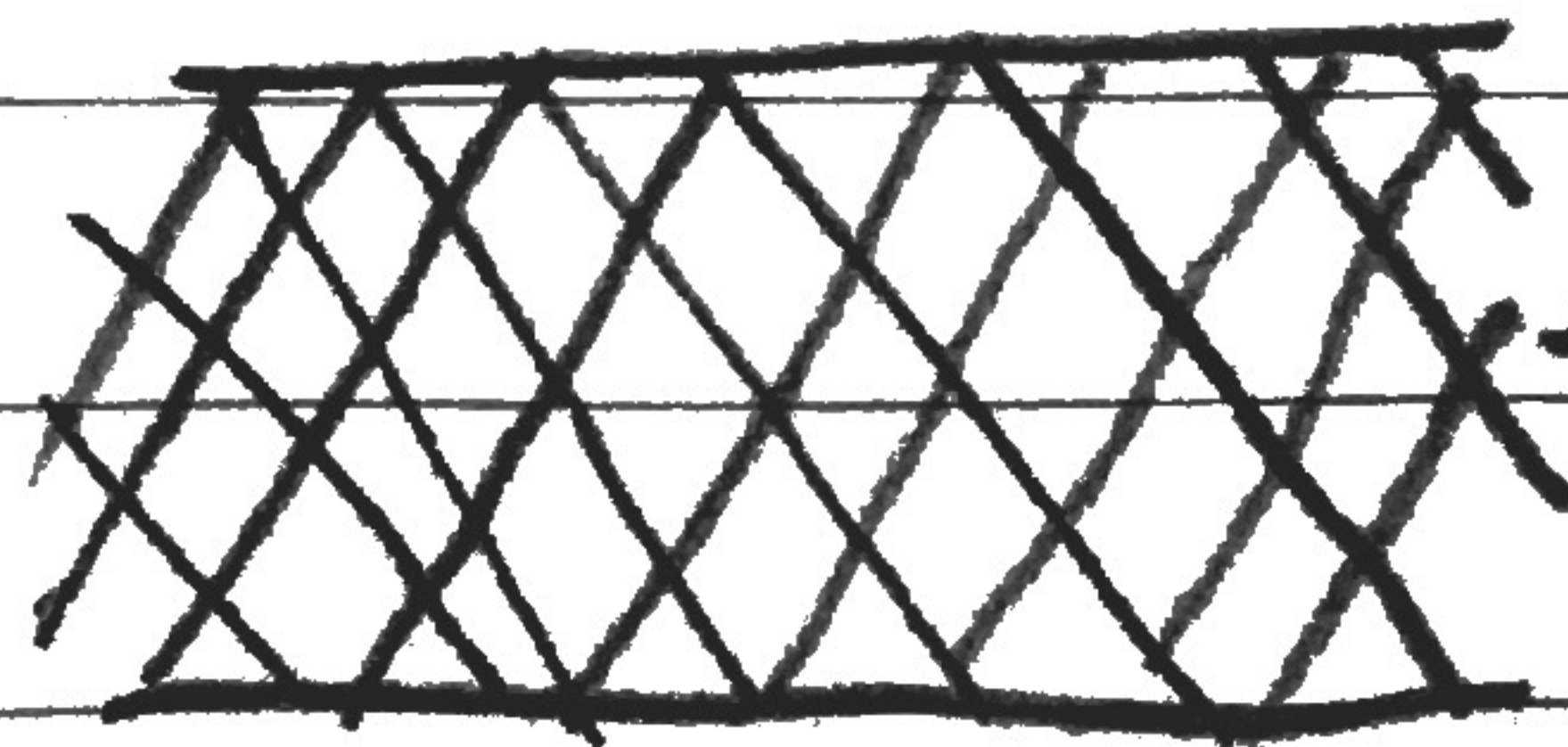
Balsa Wood -  
2 -  $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 1" x 36"  
1 -  $\frac{1}{8}$ " x 2" x 36"  
2 -  $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 36"  
2 -  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 36"

Common bridge support structures -

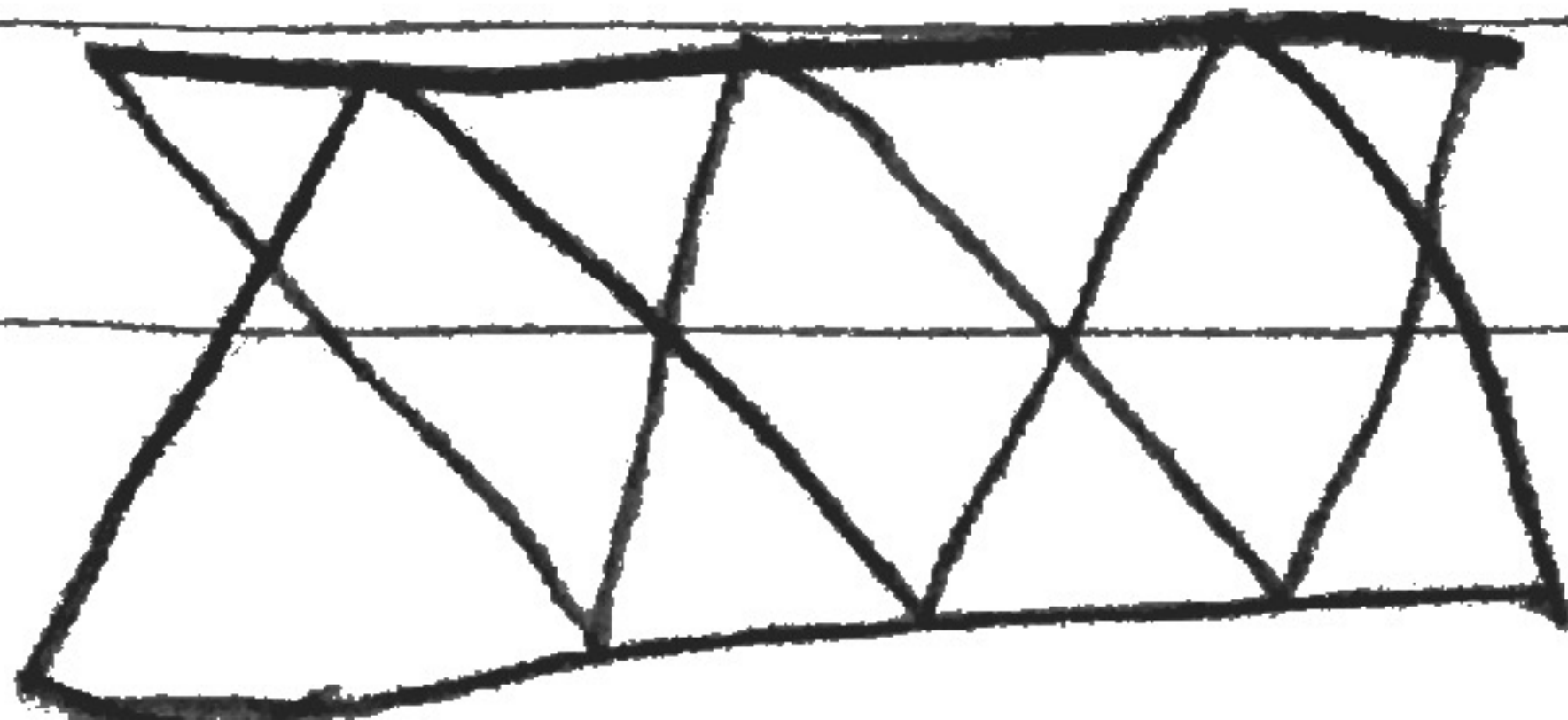
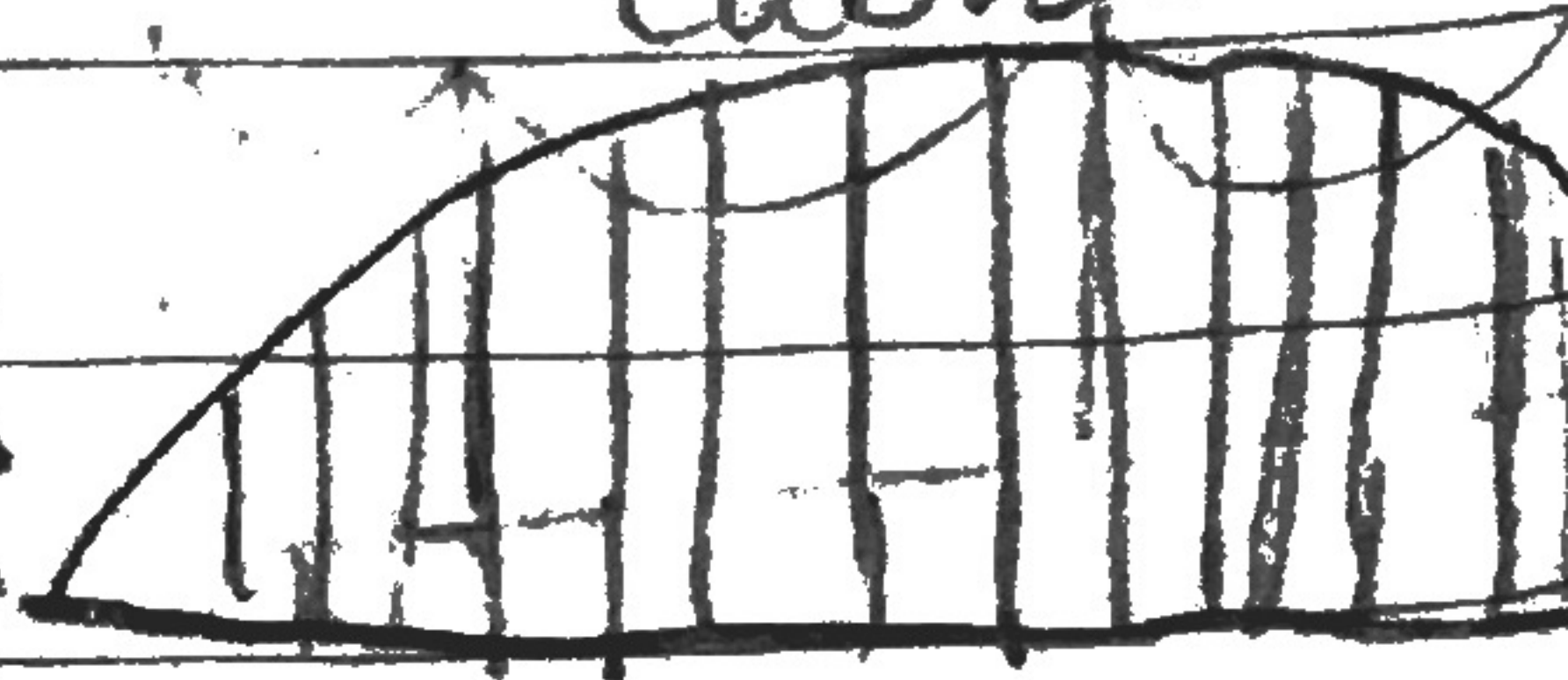
Arches



trusses



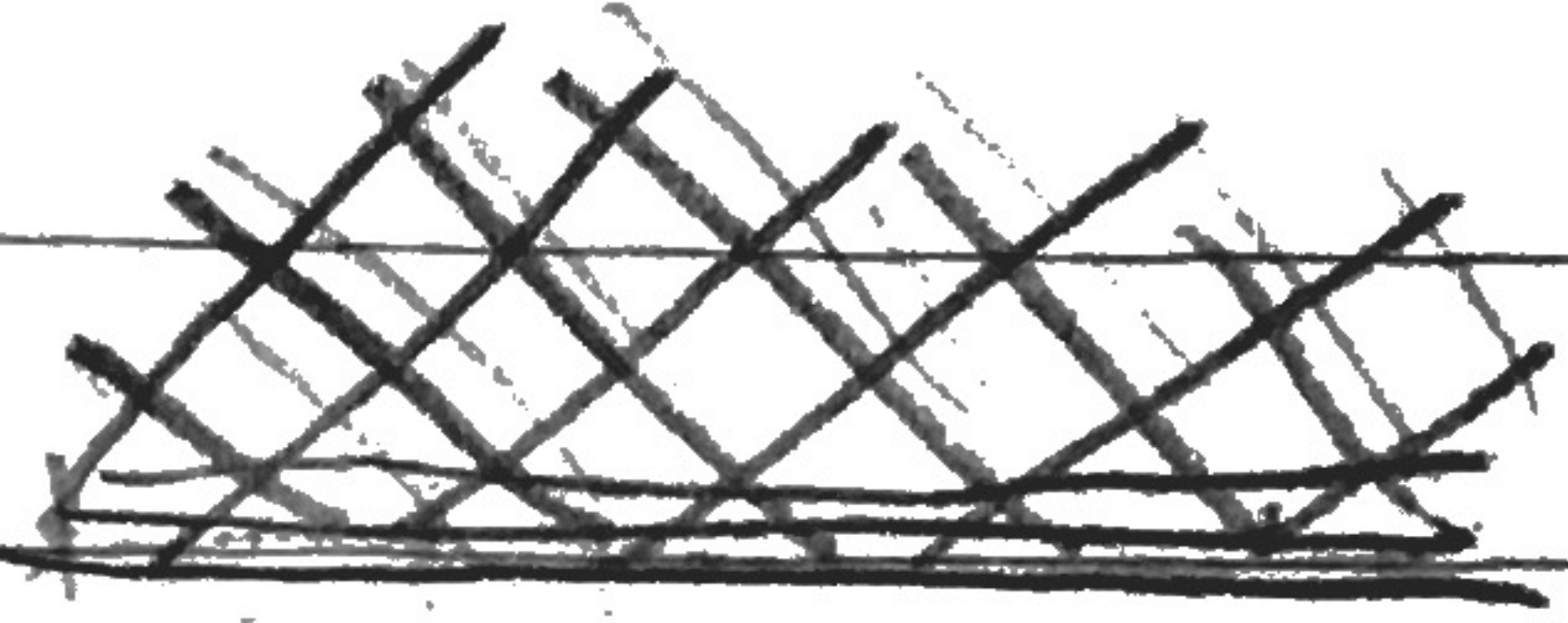
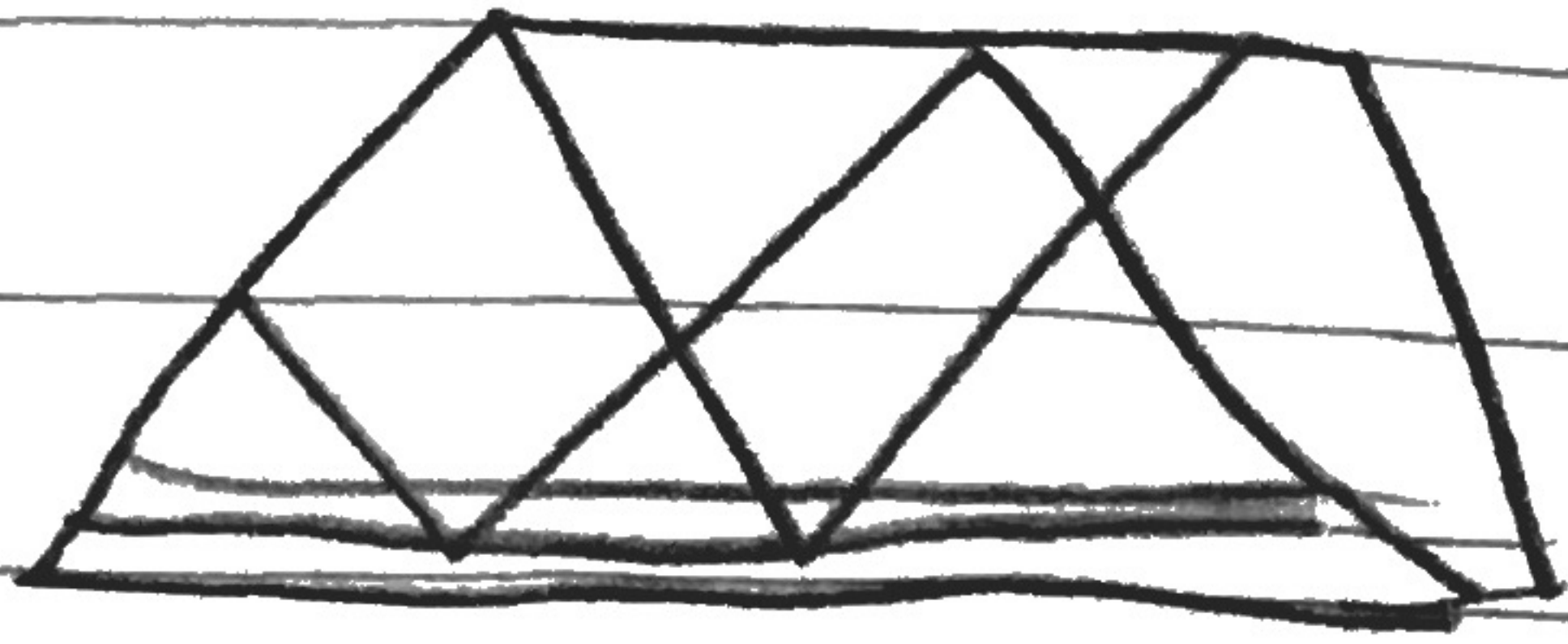
cables



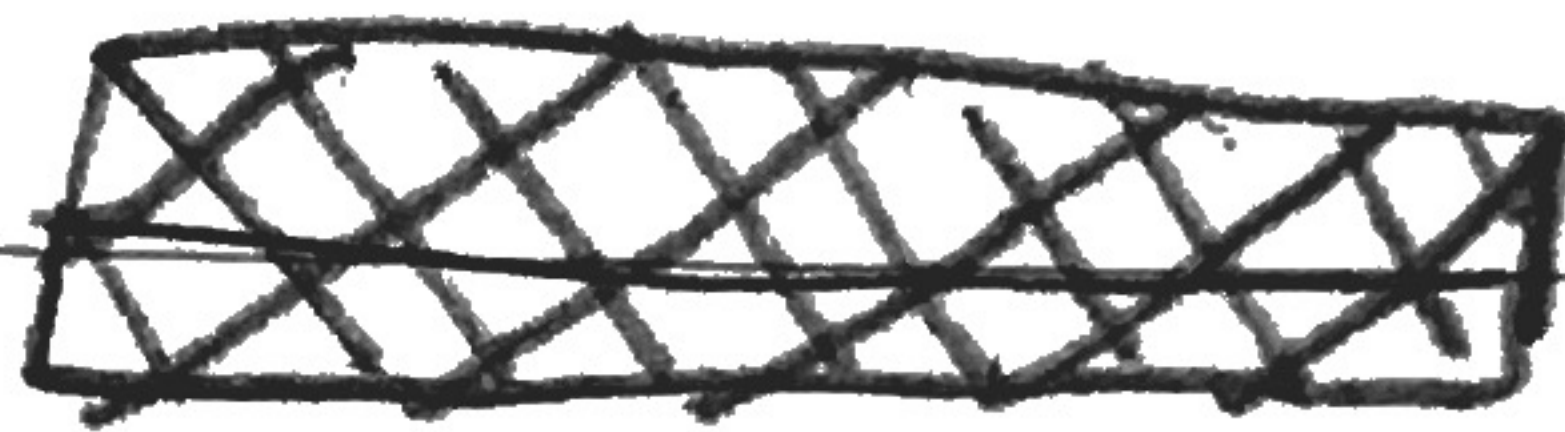


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Step 3 - Develop possible solutions -



Step 4 - Select one solution -

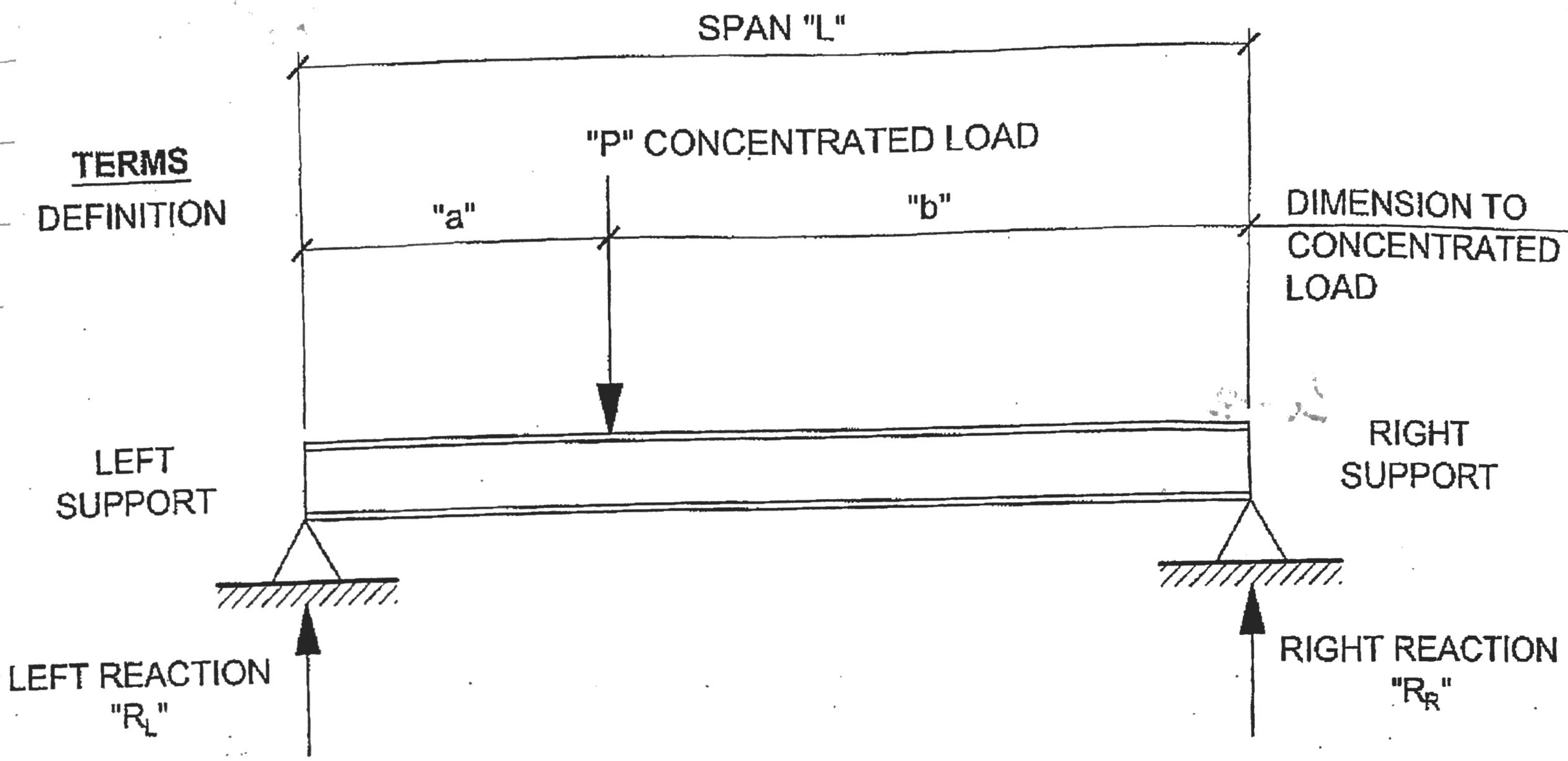


We think this is better because  
it has



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# Calculation of Single Span Beam Reactions



TERMS  
DEFINITION

LEFT  
SUPPORT

RIGHT  
SUPPORT

LEFT REACTION  
" $R_L$ "

RIGHT REACTION  
" $R_R$ "

## CALCULATION

LEFT REACTION

$$R_L = \frac{P \times b}{L}$$

RIGHT REACTION

$$R_R = \frac{P \times a}{L}$$



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Evaluate the Solution:

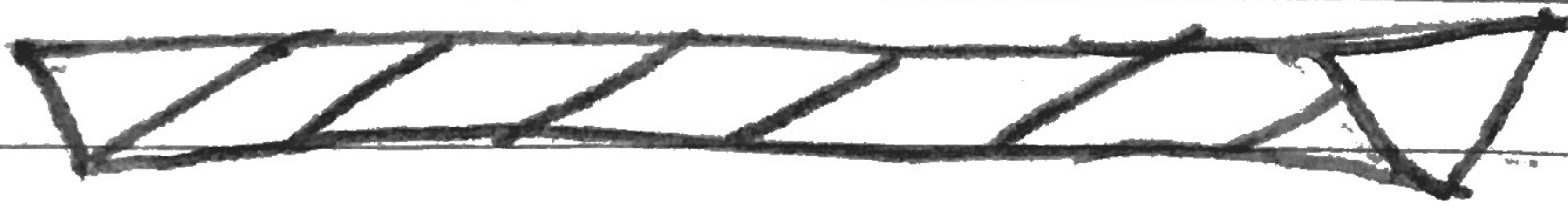
Max Deflection:

N/A

Max Load:

1316 4 ounces

Redesign: I think ours needed more members. It didn't have support in our bridges. I think our bridges doesn't need crossing sticks under it to keep it sturdy.





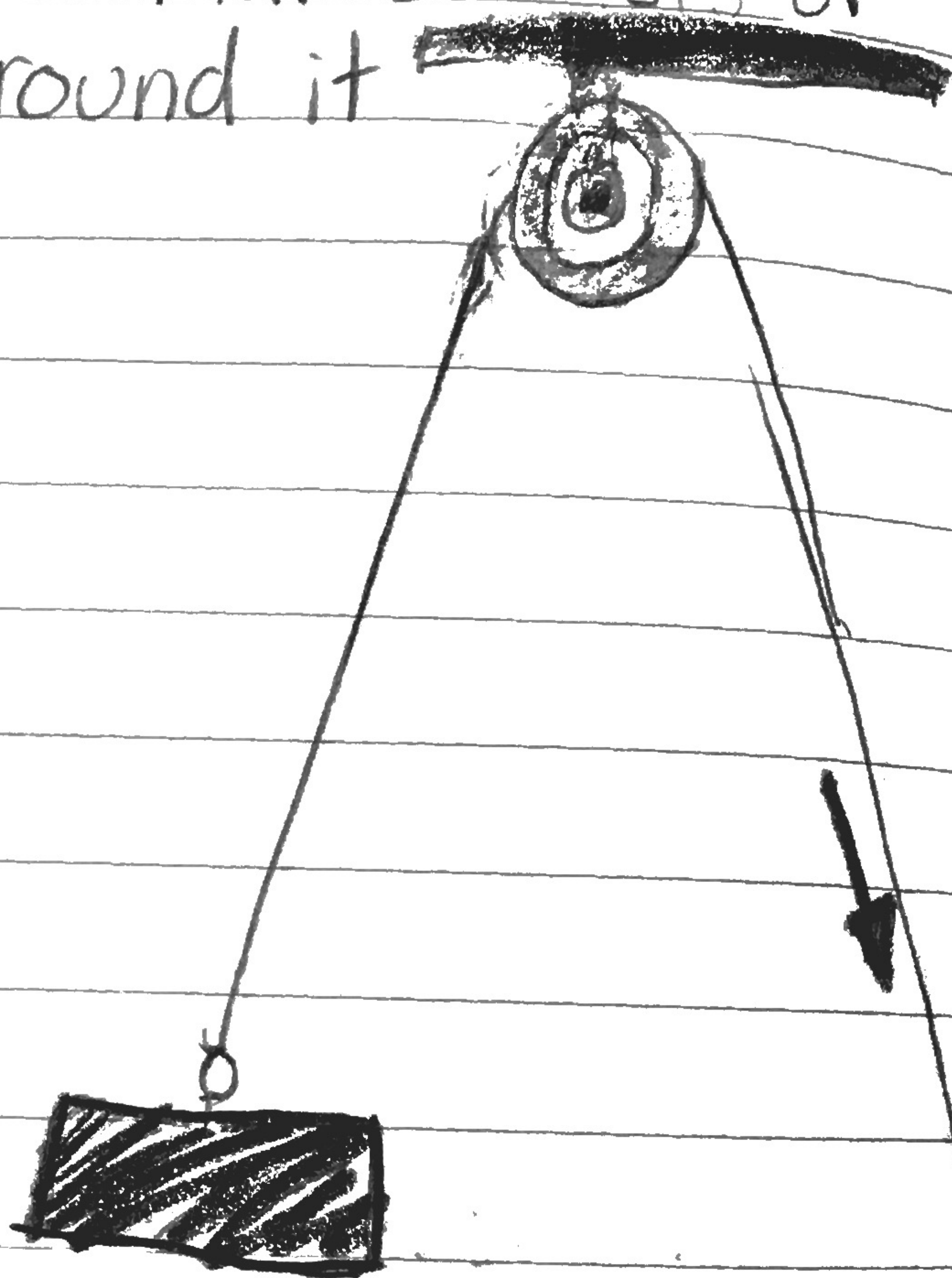
# Simple Machines

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Screw - A simple machine made of a post with an inclined plane wrapped around it



Pulley - A simple machine that consists of a wheel with a line around it



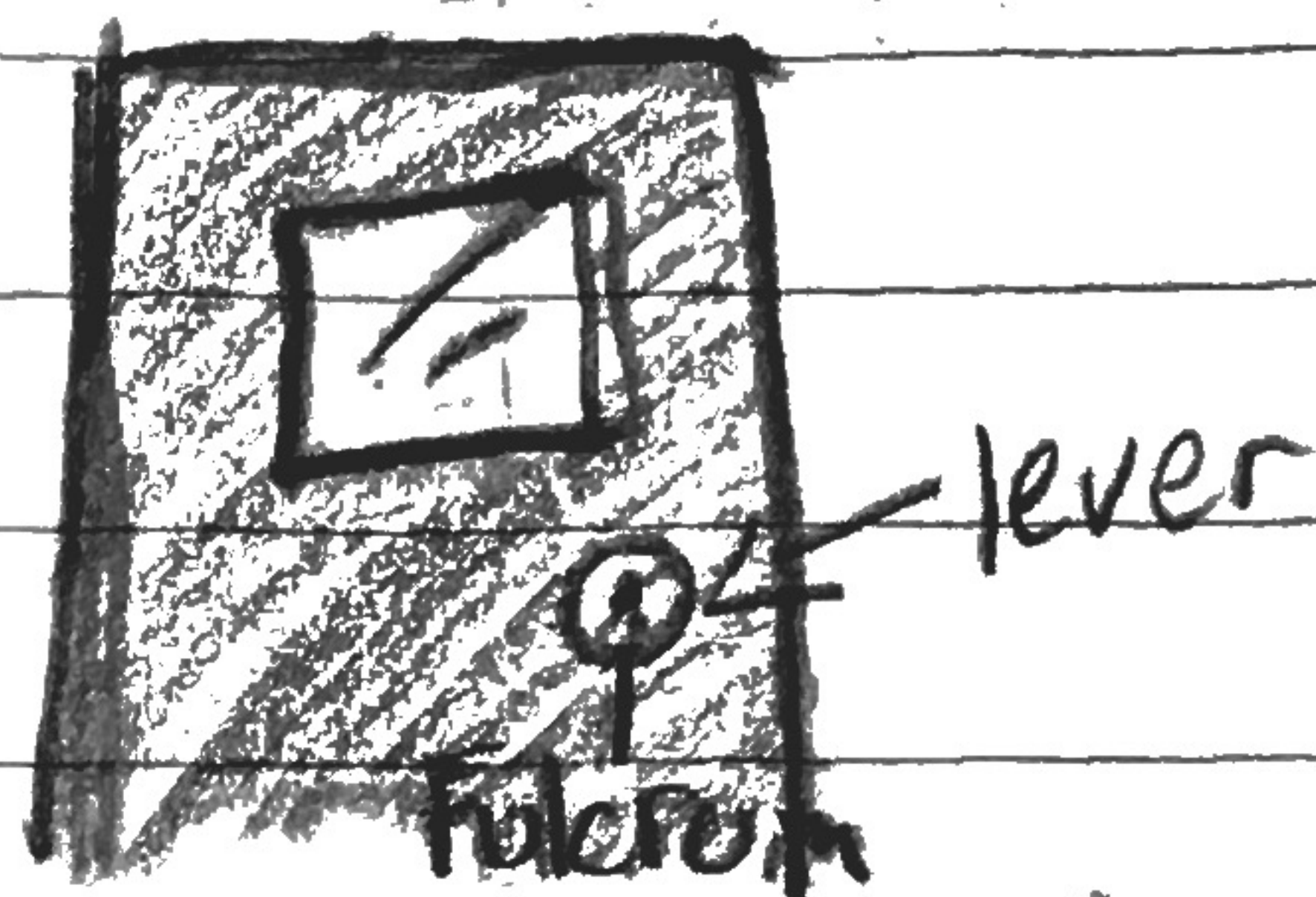
Inclined plane - A simple machine that is slanted surface.





lever - A simple machine made of a bar that pivots on a fixed point.

Fulcrum - The fixed balance point on a lever.



Wedge - A simple machine made of two inclined planes placed back to back.



Wheel and axle - A simple machine made of a wheel and an axle that turn together.



Simple Machine - A machine with few or no moving parts that you apply just one force to.



# Simple Machine Subsystem

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## Science

Supp. a-  
Identify simple  
machines and  
explain their uses  
(levers, pulleys, wedges,  
inclined plane,  
screw, wheel &  
axle)

## Math

4.MD.1 - Solve  
problems including  
measurement and  
conversion of measurements  
from a larger unit to a  
smaller unit.

4.MD.4 - Represent  
and interpret  
data

## S.T.E.M.

Simple  
Machine  
Subsystem

## Social Studies

SS.4.EI.C-

Describe how specialization  
improves standards of  
living

## Language Arts

RI.4.1 - Summarize

work by a nonfiction  
and examples in the text  
RI.4.4 - Understand  
the meaning of words  
and phrases in 4th  
grade Science  
texts

## Technology

o Pulley  
o lever

o scale (weight)  
o wheel and axle

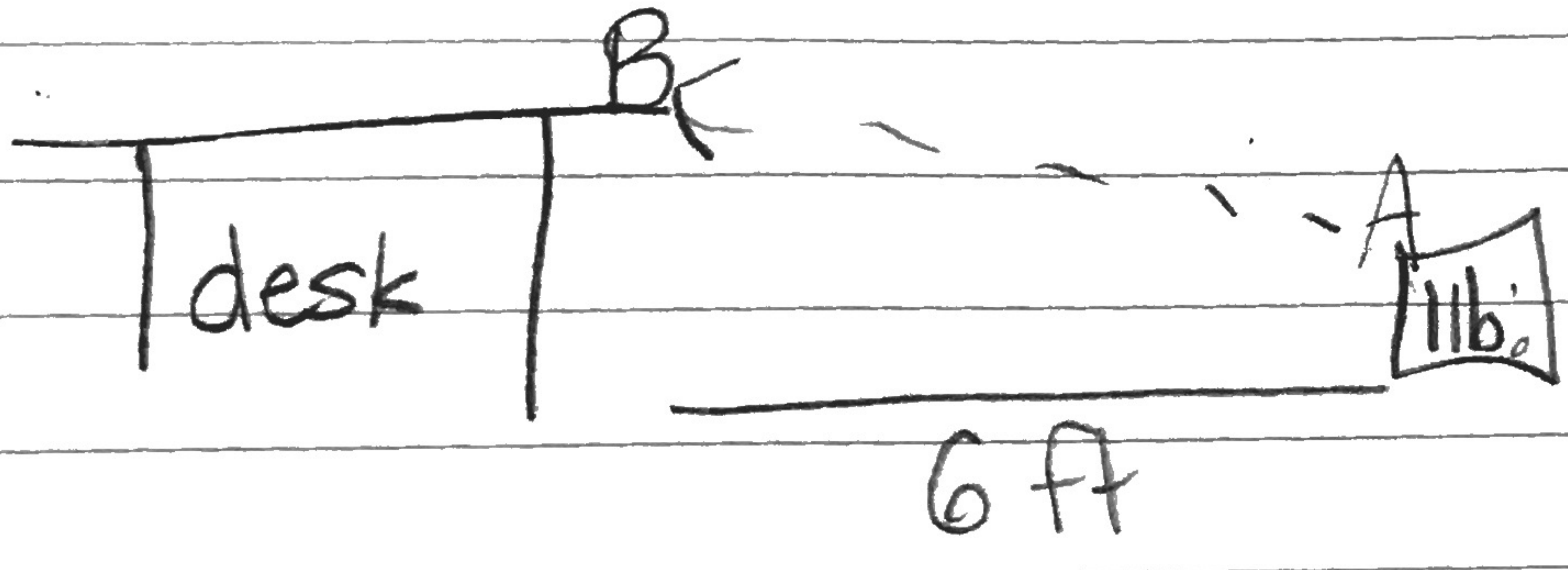
o Spring Scale (force-N)



# Simple Machine Subsystem

## Required Simple Machine lever

Step 1: Define the Problem - We are creating a subsystem that uses a lever that will lift a 1 pound weight to the desk that is 6 ft away.



Step 2: Collect Information -