

# ENGI 128

INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING SYSTEMS

Lecture 4:

Torque,

Gears & Torque ,

Transmissions & Torque,

Bicycles & Torque

“Understand Your Technical World”

# Outline

Goal: Add rigor to the concepts of gears and torque that you learned last time.

Gears are in almost every modern vehicle, so we'll use different vehicles as our systems *du jour*.

# Torque

# Speed and Force, Translation and Rotational

	speed	force
linear motion	speed $s$	force $f$
rotational motion	angular speed $\omega$	twisting force $\tau$

# Torque always makes people unhappy

Torque is simple: It is a “force” that makes anything rotate

It's just that simple. Any time anything rotates, there is a torque involved.

It's also called a “rotational force” or a “twisting force”

You can feel torque if you try...

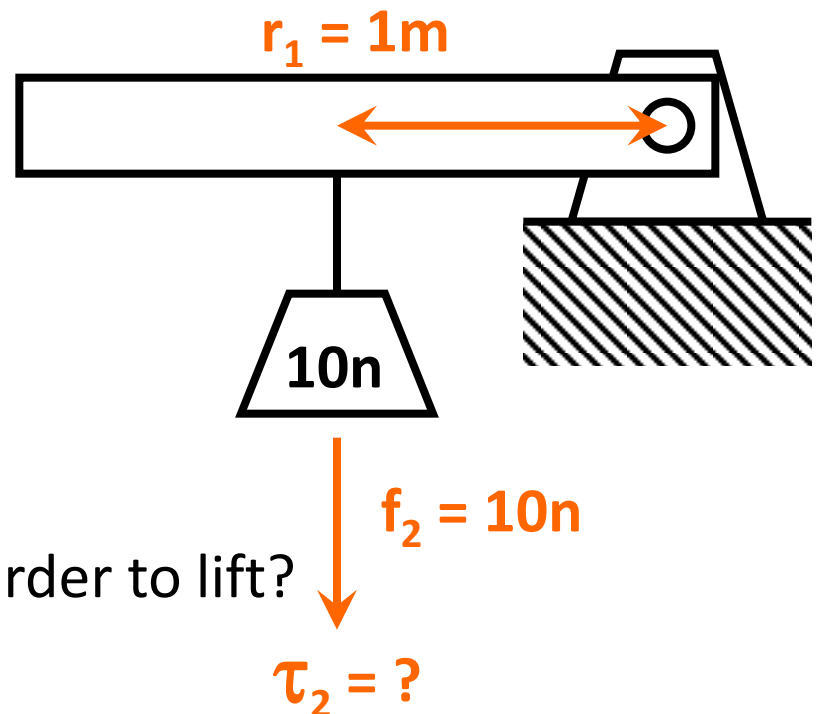
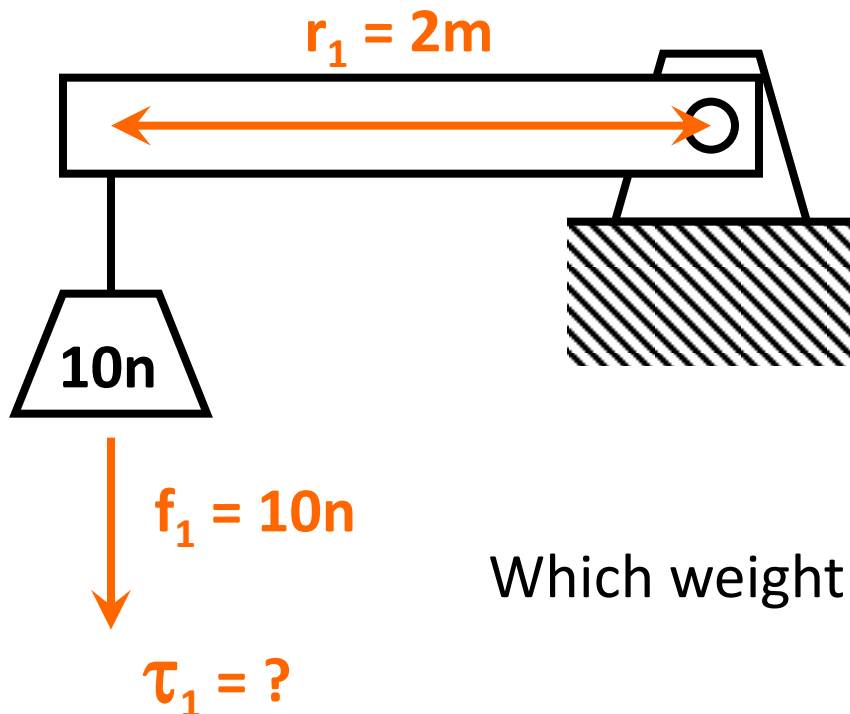
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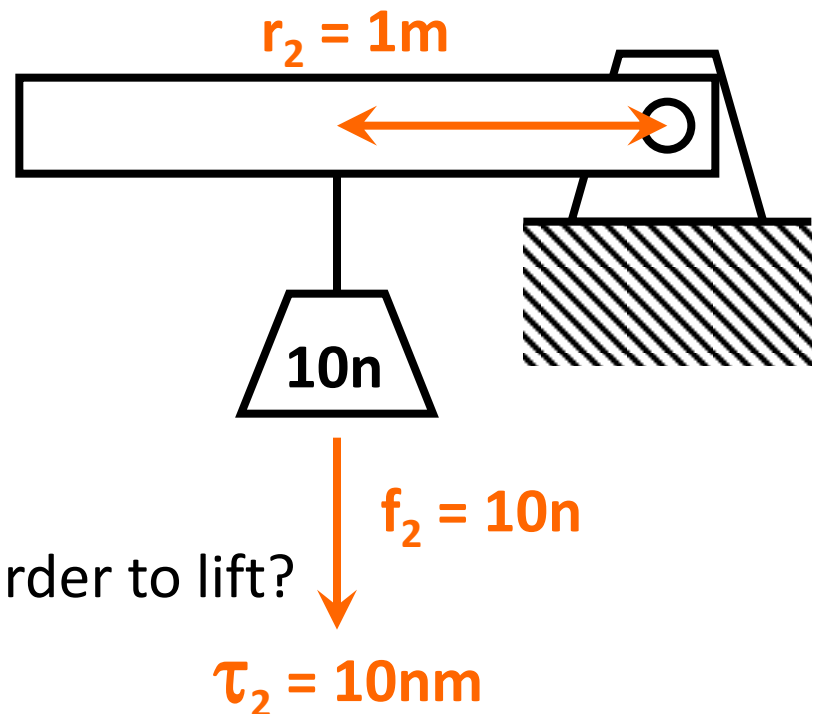
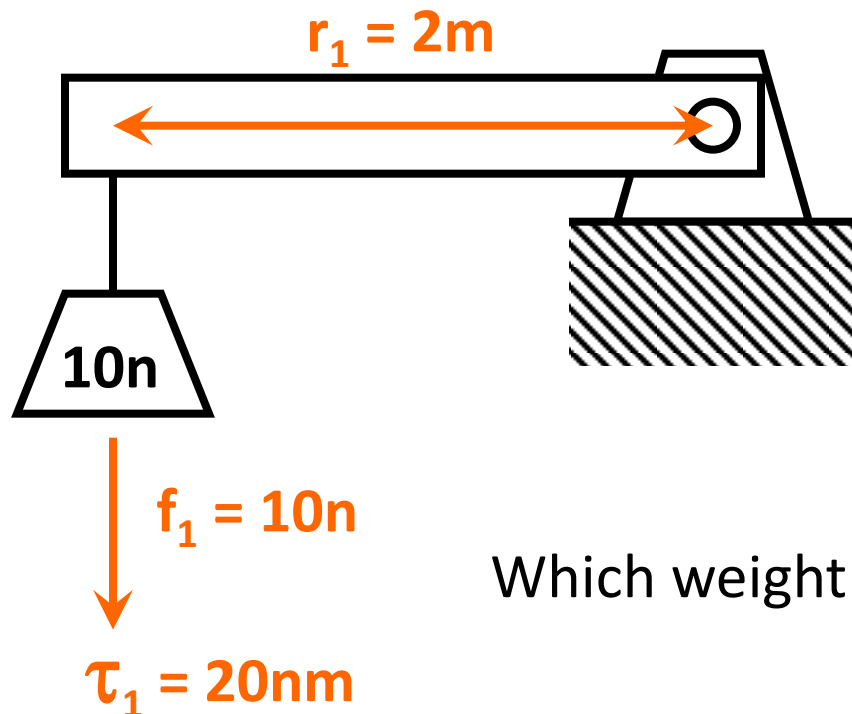
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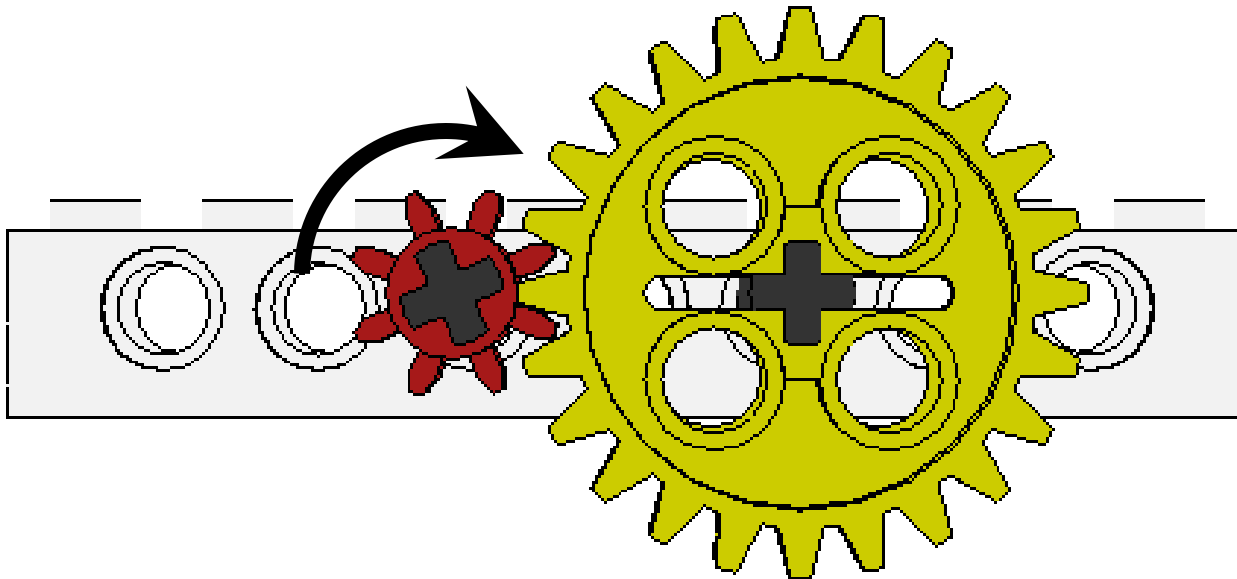
# Gears & Torque



## LEGO Gears

The red gear has 8 teeth, yellow gear has 24 teeth.

How far will the yellow gear turn per revolution of the red gear?



# The Gear Ratio

The gear ratio is the ratio of input turns to output turns

$$g = \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2}$$

Ratios can be written as fractions, or with a colon

$$g = 3:1$$

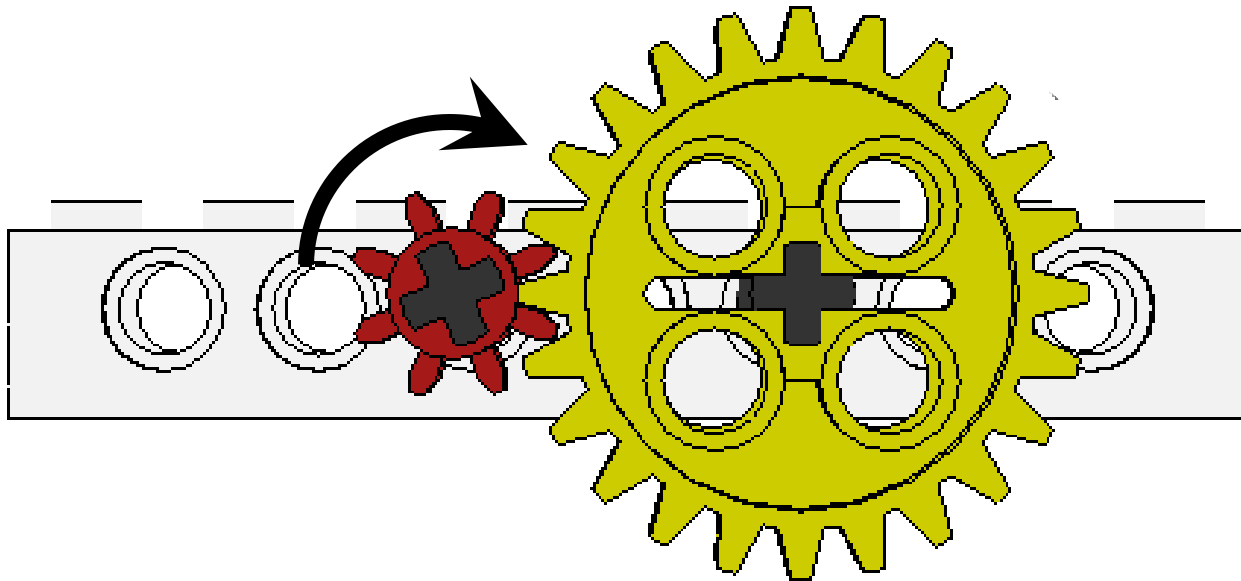
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How do we compute the gear ratio?

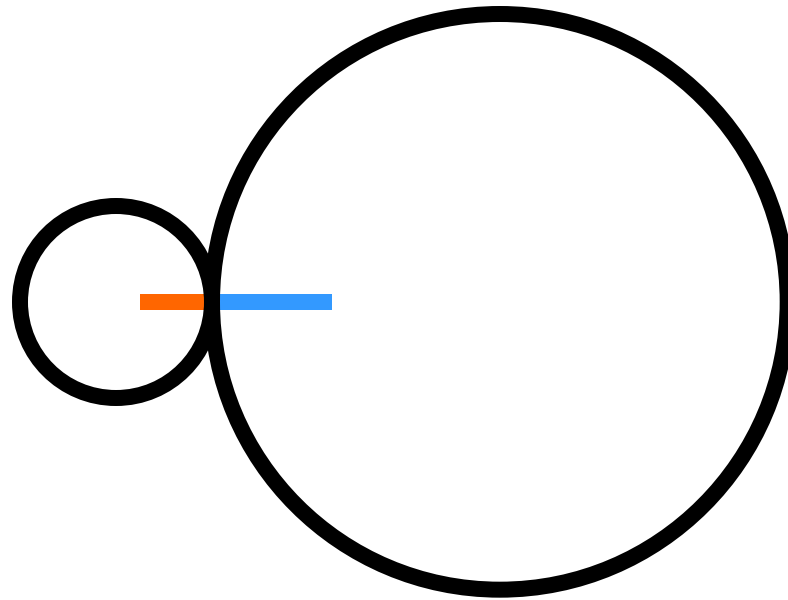
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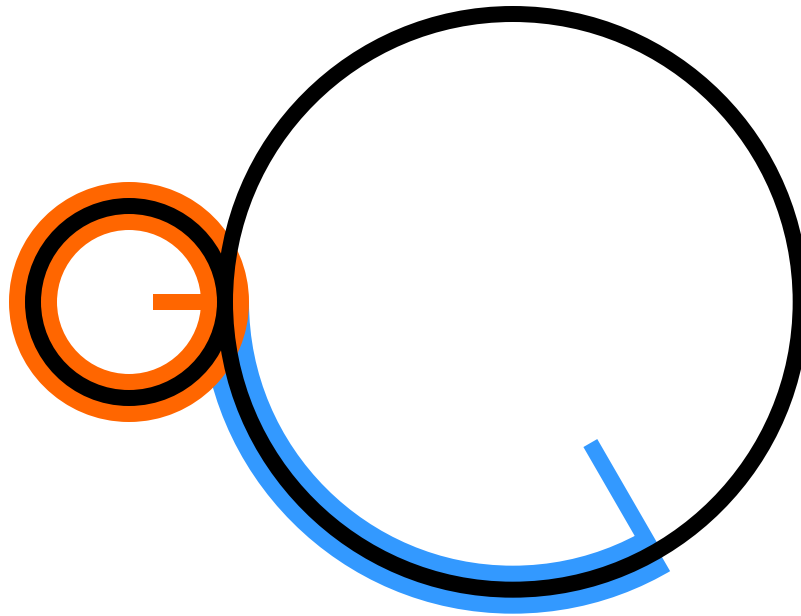


# Gear Ratio



# The “no slip condition”

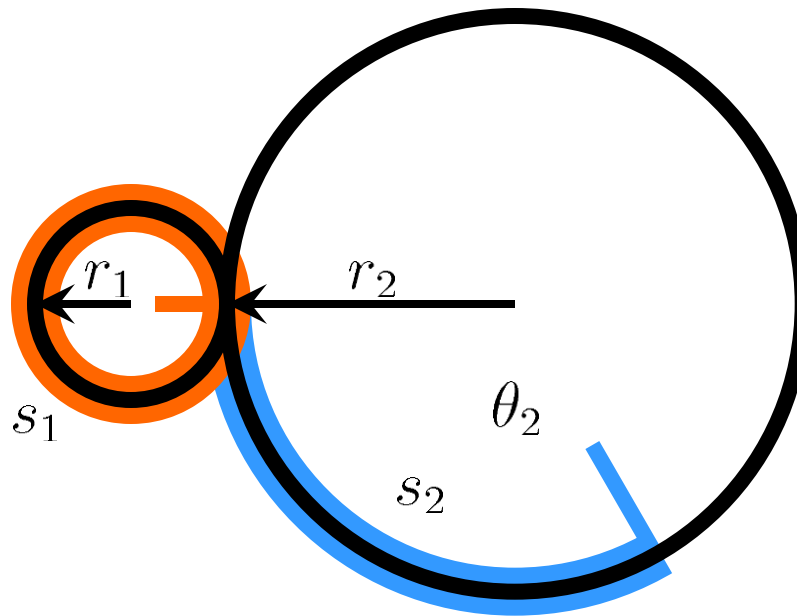
Gears can't slip. They have teeth.



# Gear Ratio

Basic equation for distance around a circle

$$s = \theta r$$



# Gear Ratio

We want to compute  $g$  in terms of  $r_1$  and  $r_2$

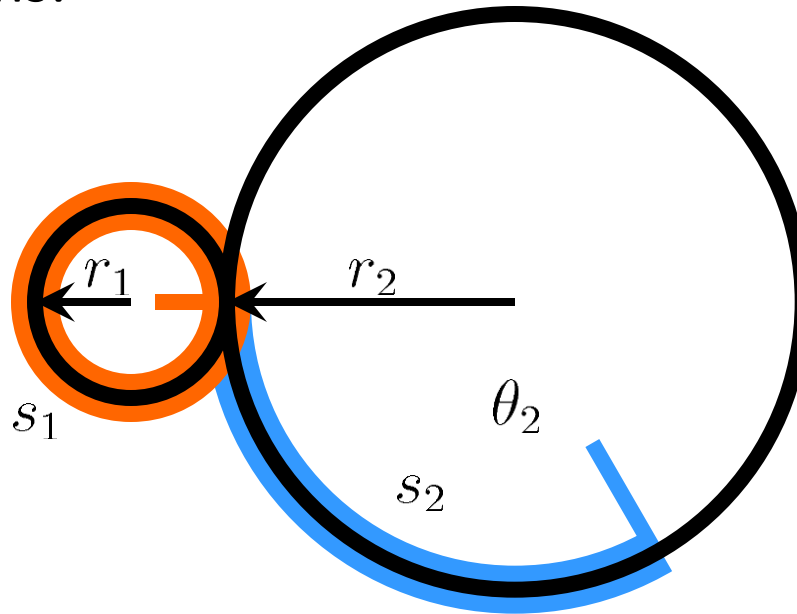
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Constants:

$$r_1 = 1$$

$$r_2 = 3$$



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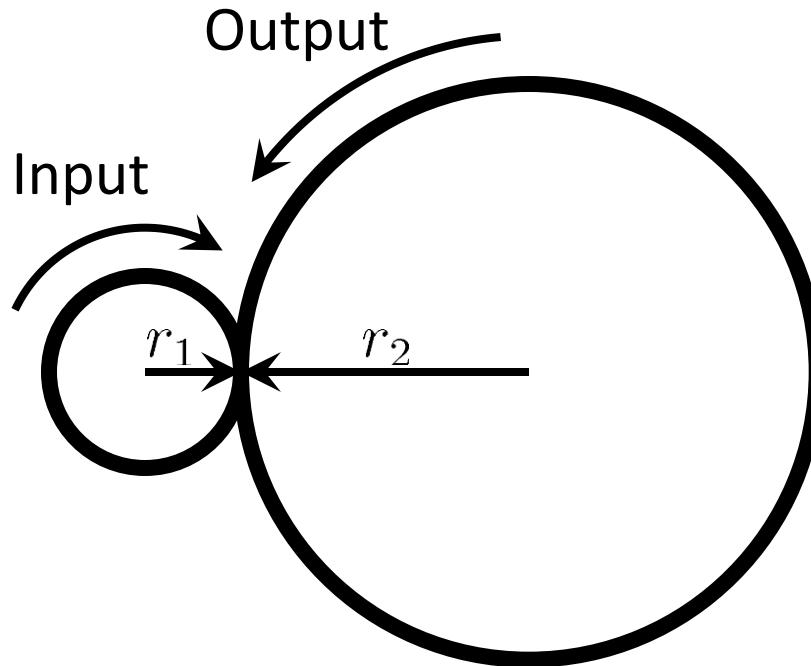


# Gears & Speed

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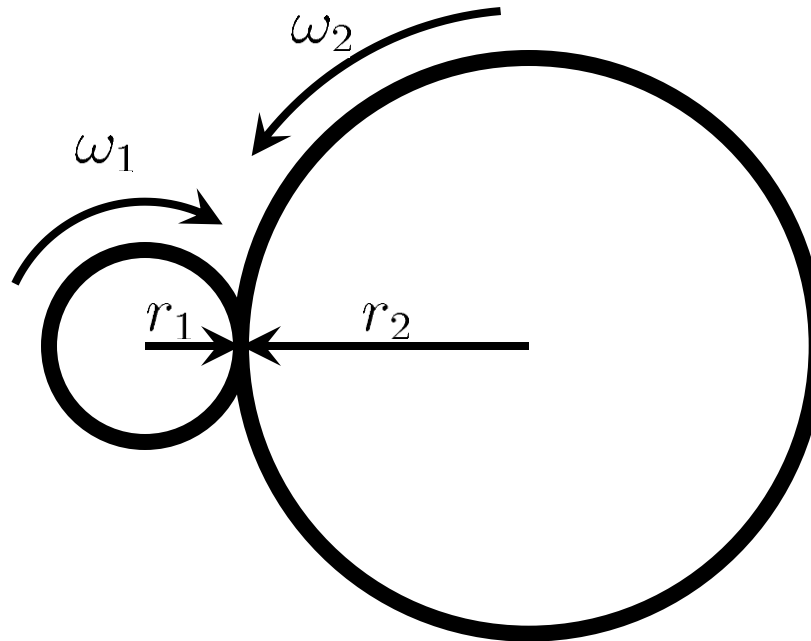
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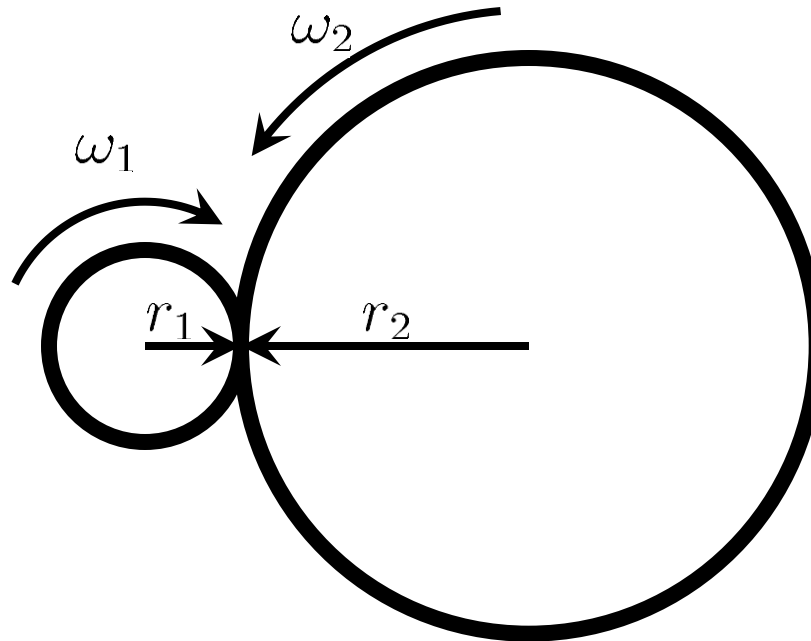
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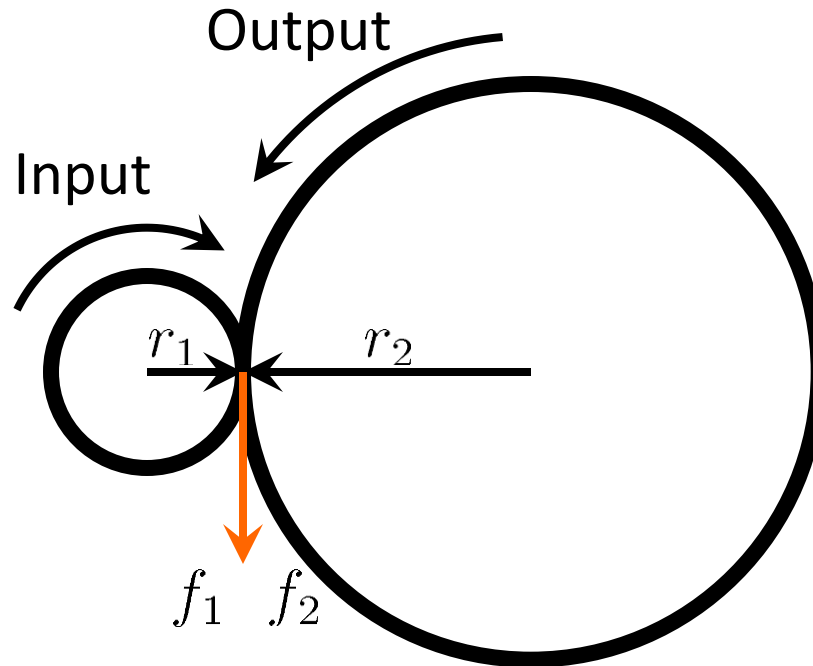
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## Torque and gears

First think: Should the output gear have more or less torque?

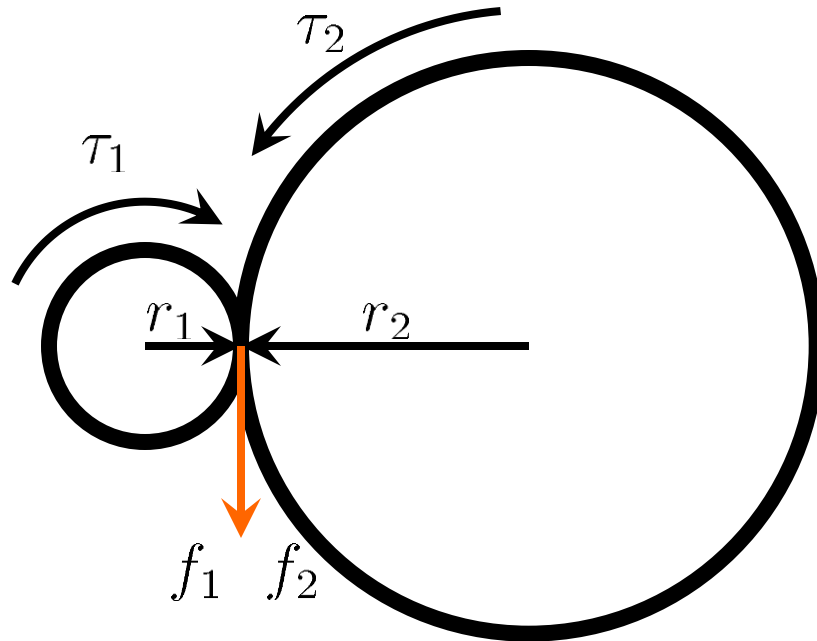
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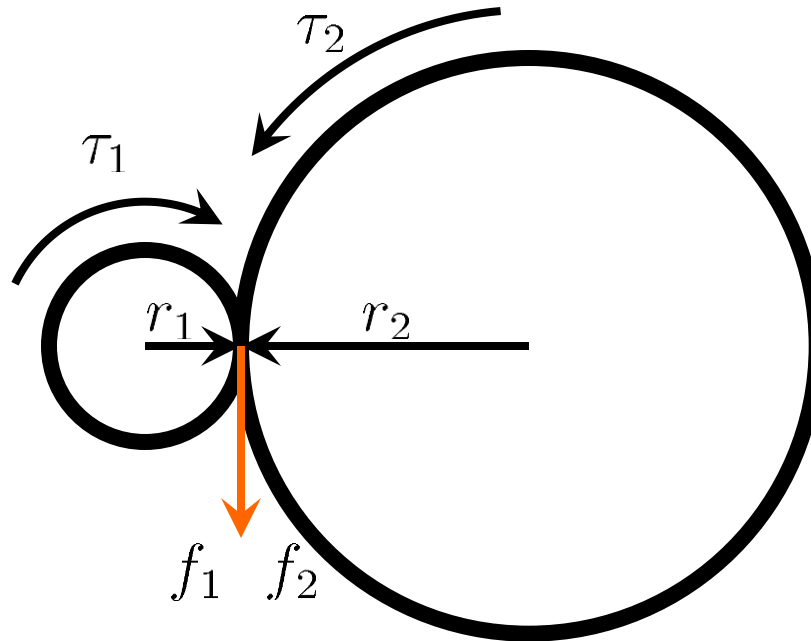
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$$f = \frac{\tau_1}{r_1}$$

$$\tau_2 = \frac{\tau_1}{r_1} r_2$$

$$\tau_2 = \tau_1 \frac{r_2}{r_1}$$

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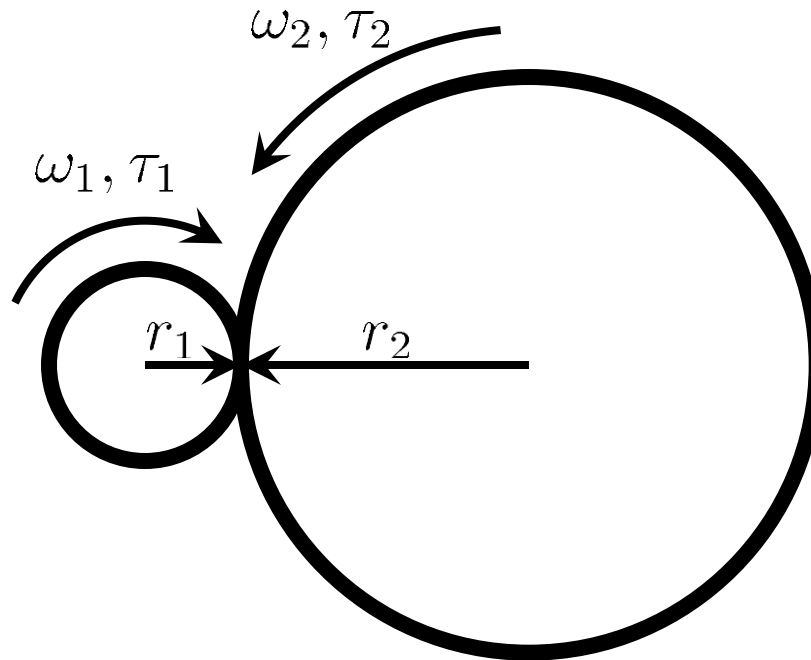


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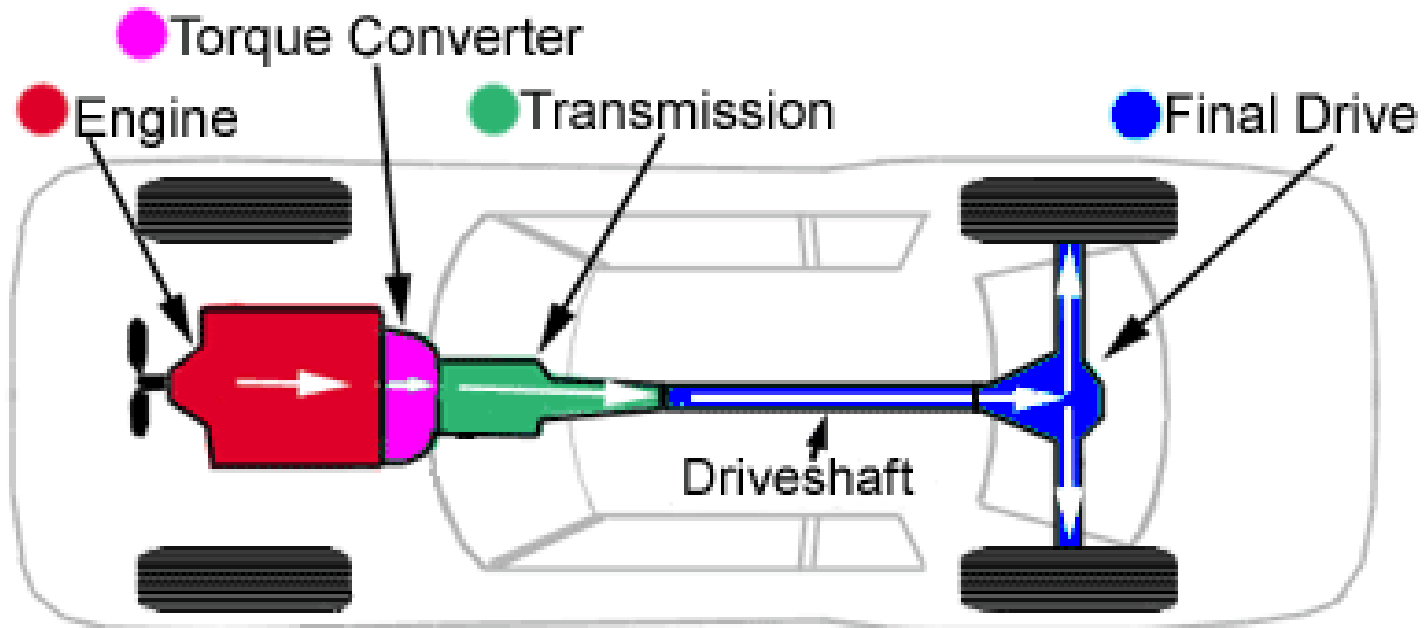
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What is a transmission?

Where can you find them?

# Car Transmission



Rear Wheel Drive Layout

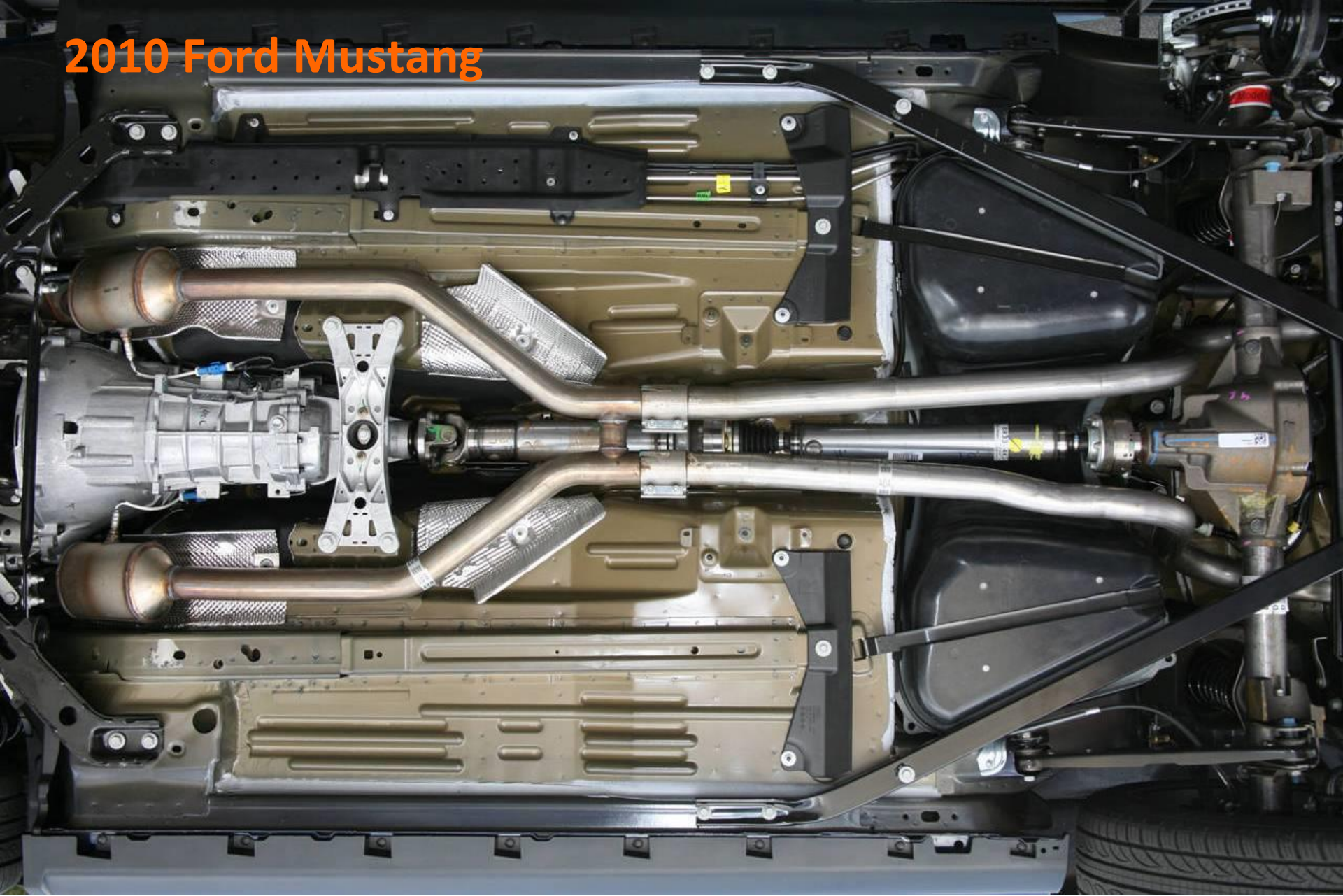
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## 2004 Ford F-150



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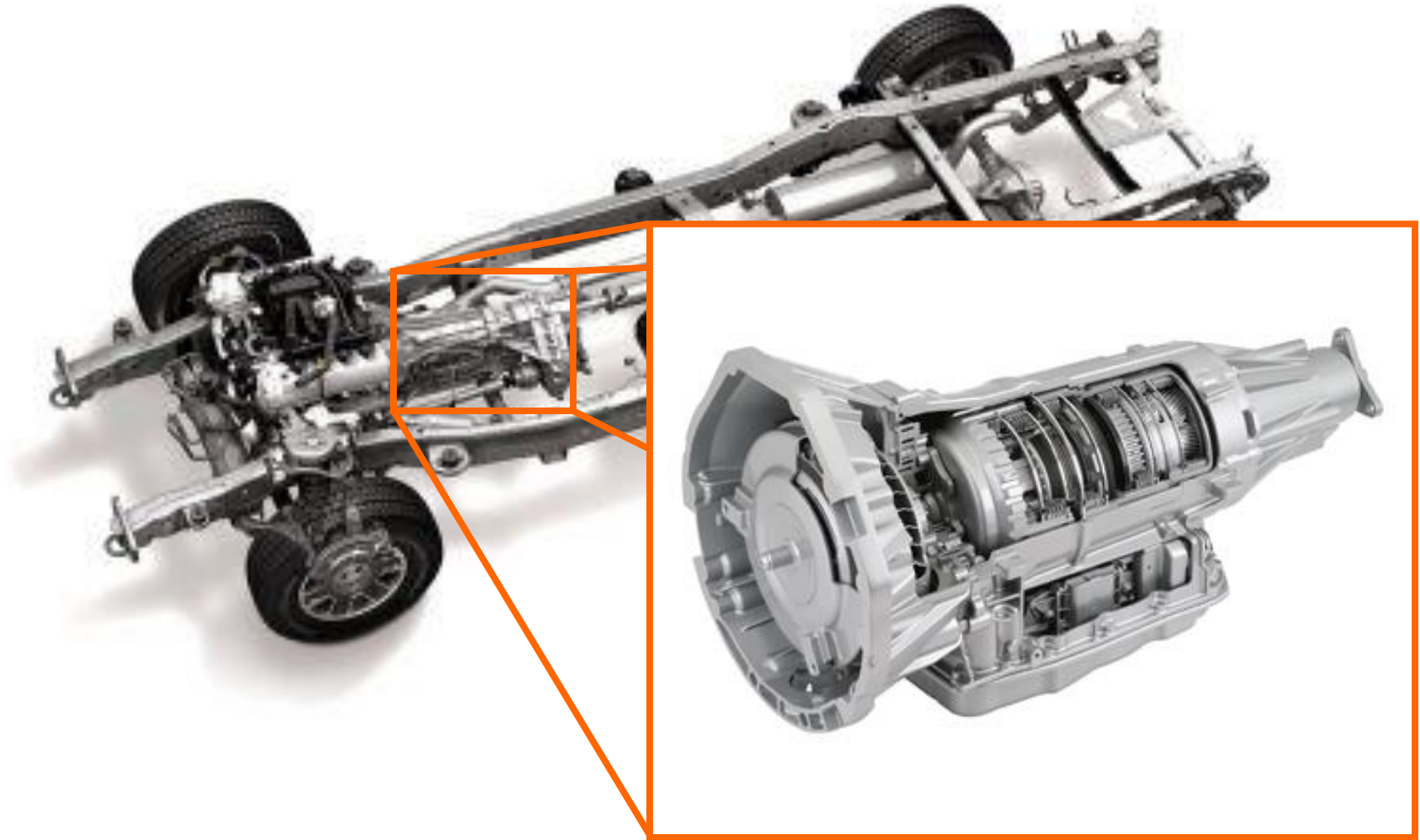




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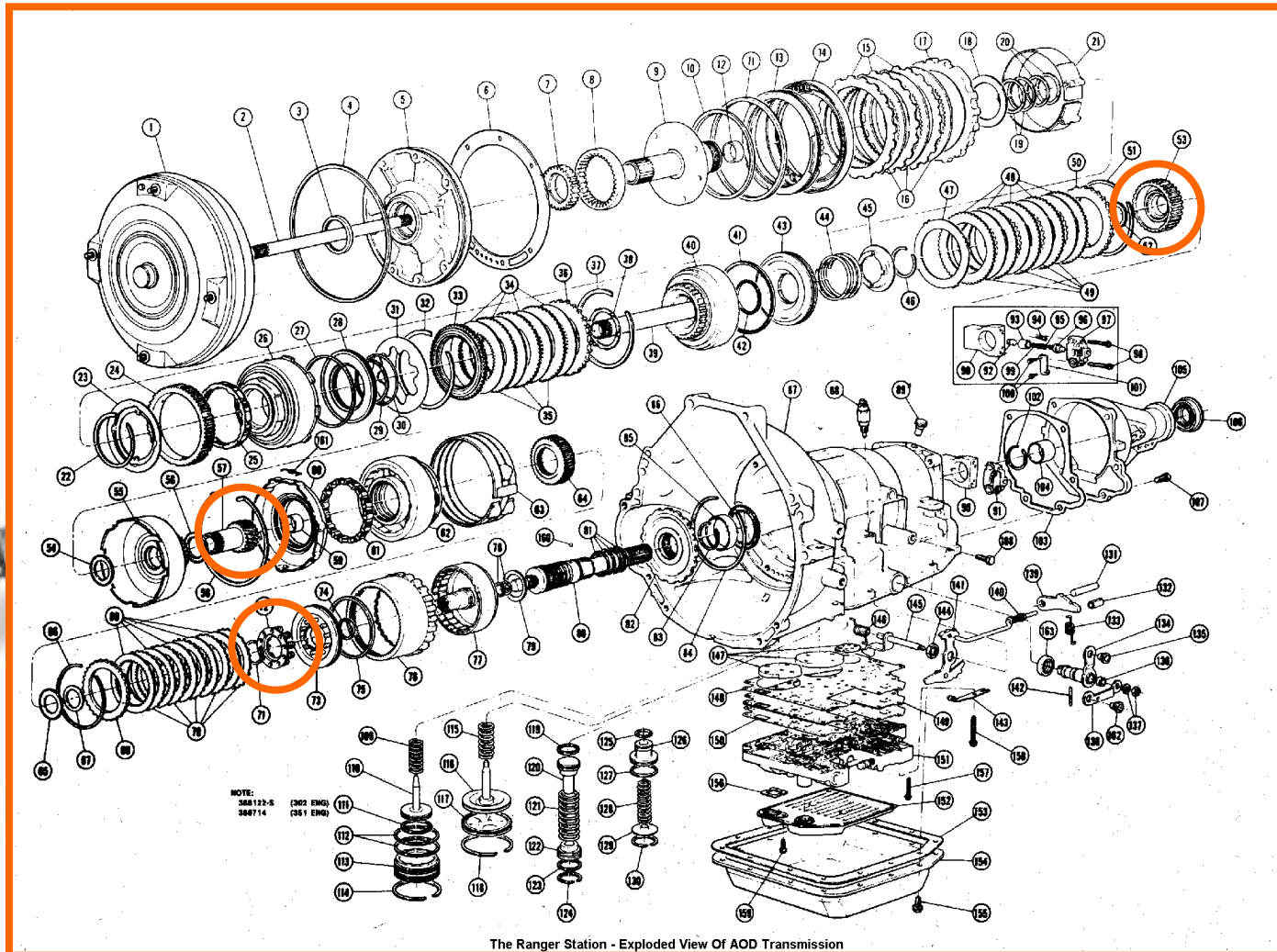
Different sets of gears trade torque for speed

Most cars have 4-6 gear ratios + reverse



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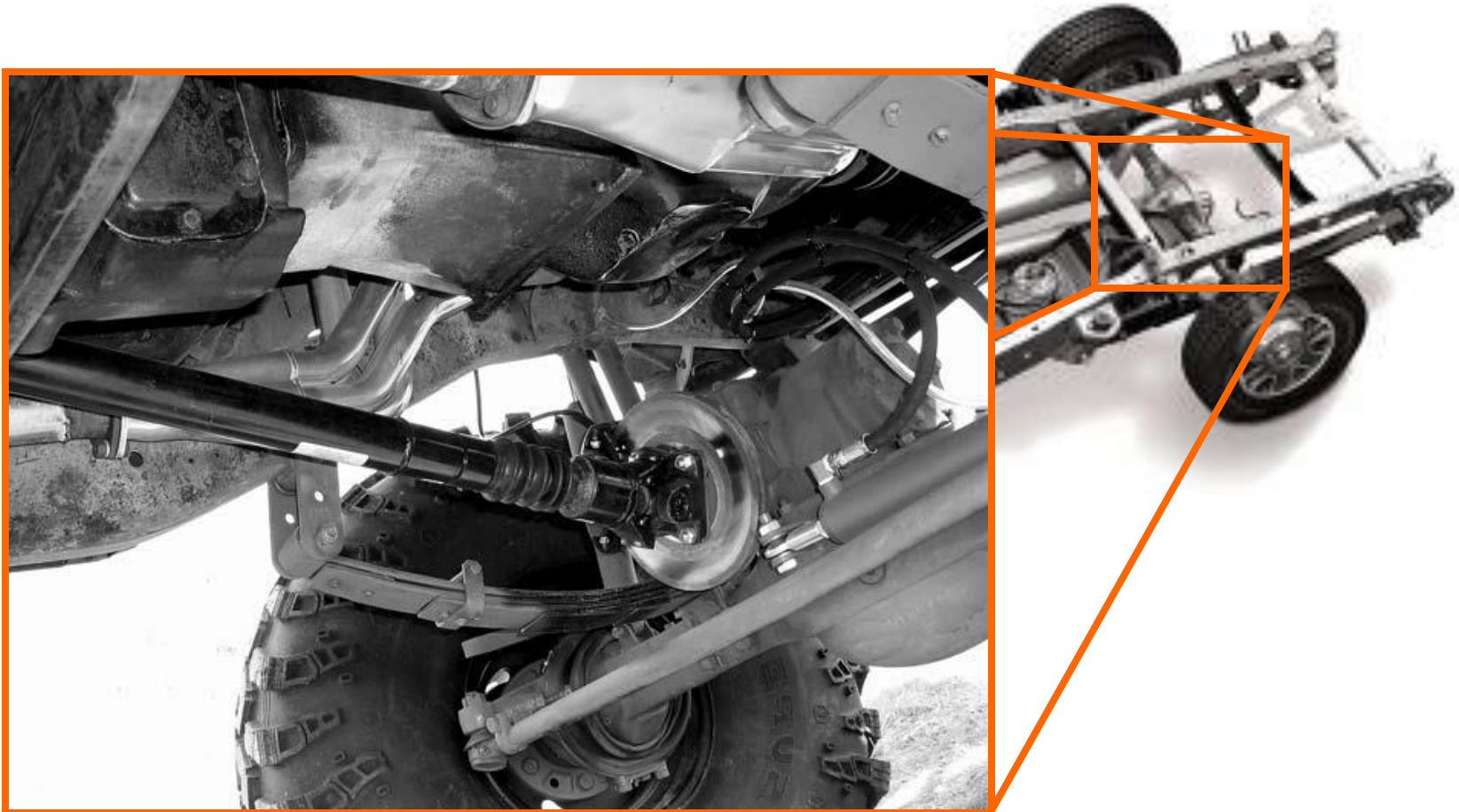
They're ridiculously complicated, but look, they have gears!



## Final Drive

A set of *bevel gears* rotate the power 90 degrees, ...

And a *differential* splits it between the two rear wheels



## 2009 Honda CBR 600RR

Where is the transmission? How many gears? Why?





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# 2014 Specalized Stumpjumper FSR Comp Evo

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[Transmission Demo]



## Other types of transmissions?

Or maybe just things that use the word “transmission”?



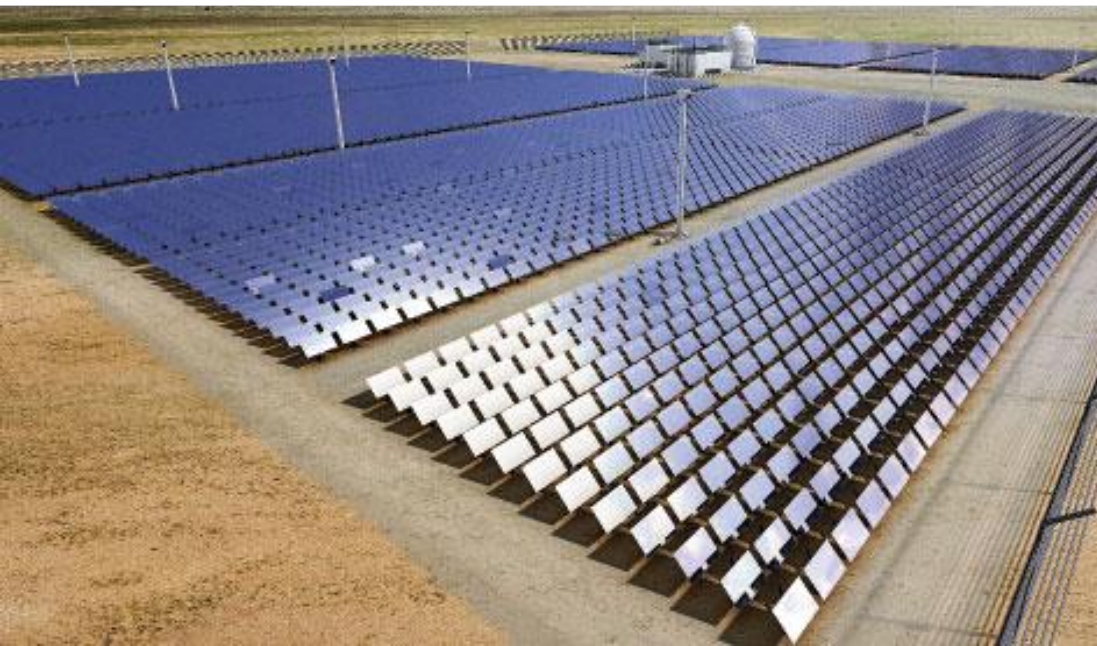
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# Transmission Lines

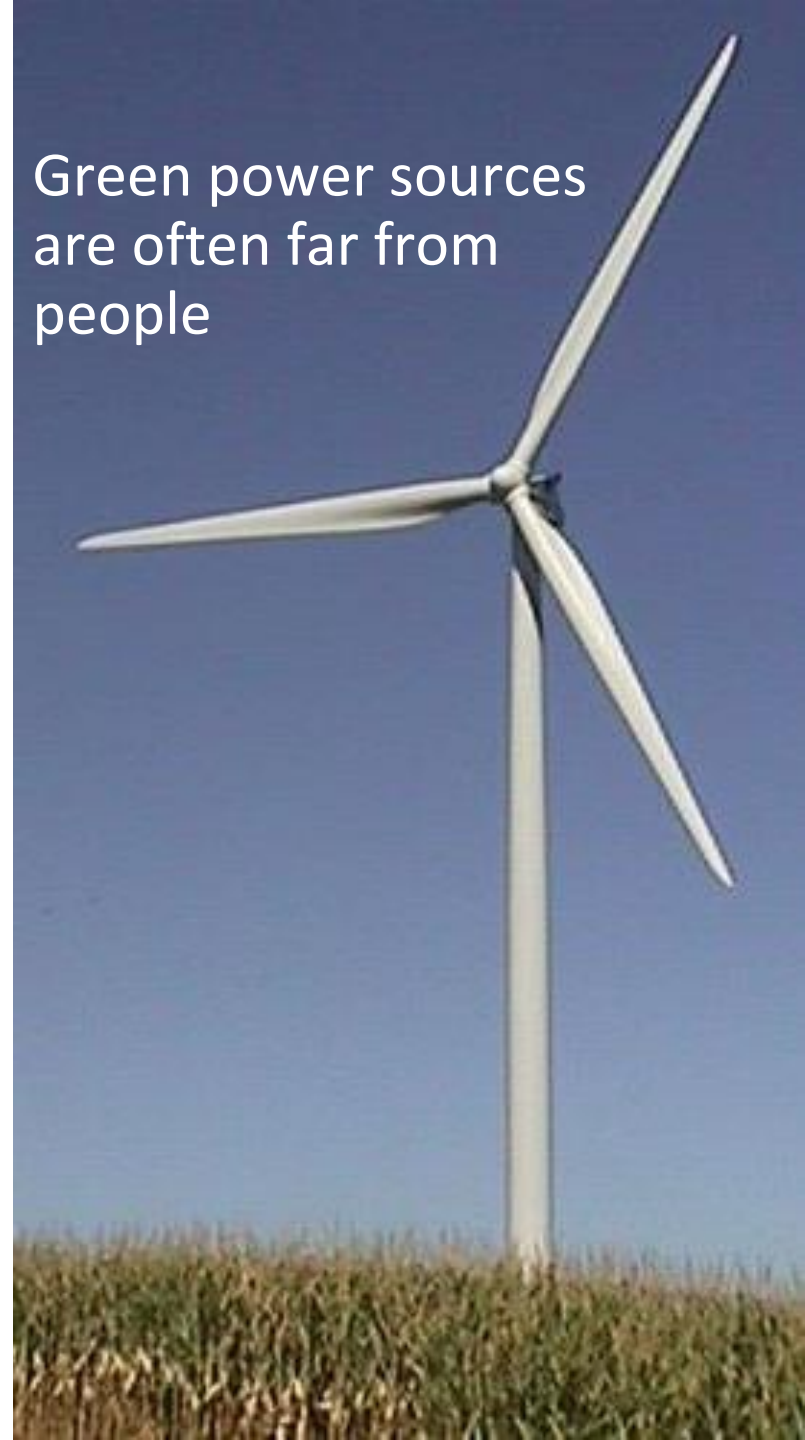




# Critical for Green Energy



Green power sources  
are often far from  
people



# Abstraction

# Transmissions in Block Diagrams

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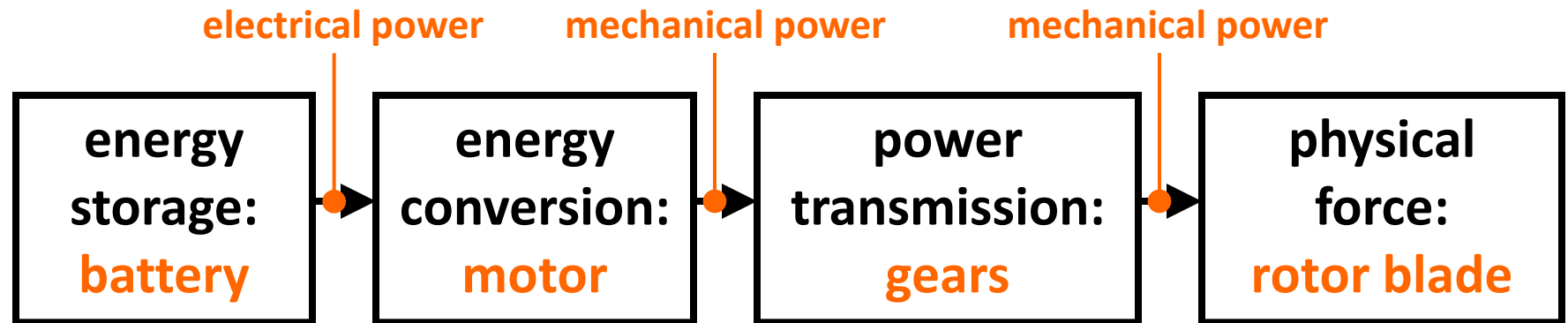
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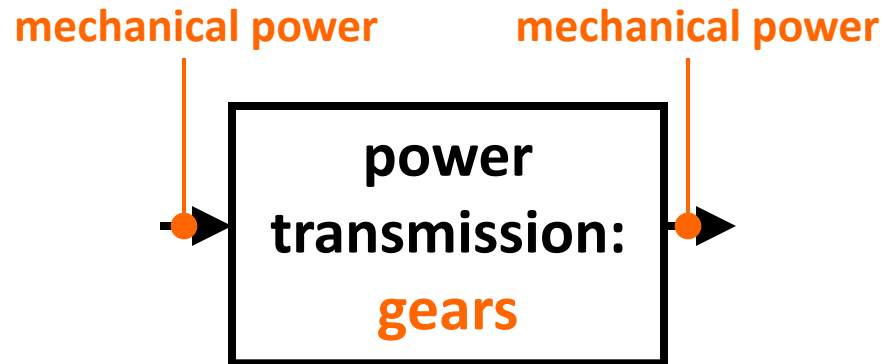


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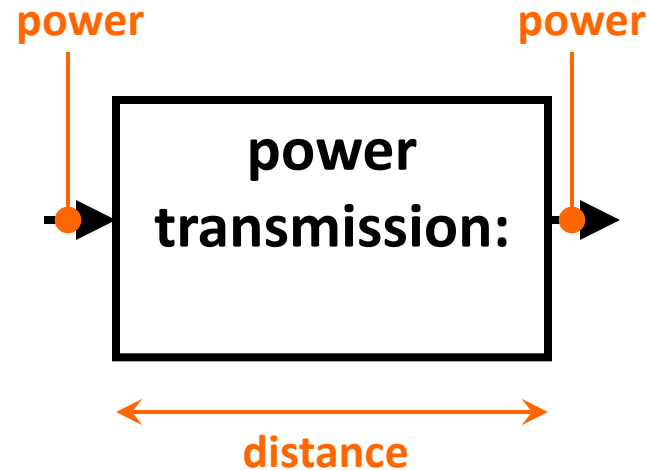


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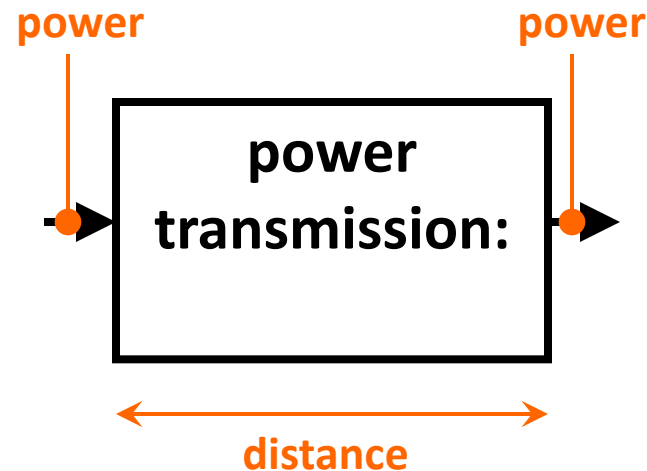




## Wait a minute...

Power in and power out...

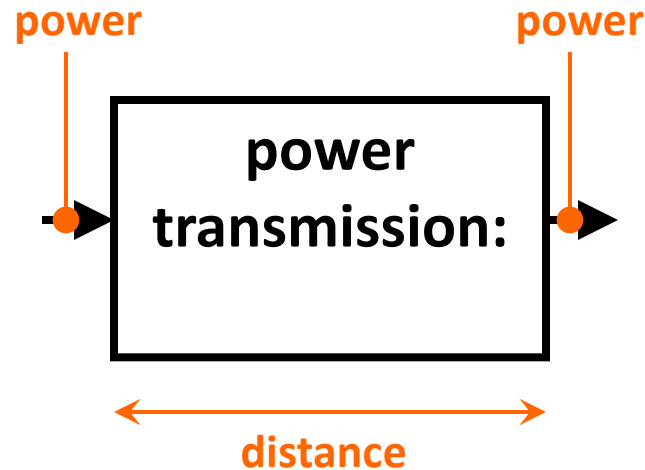
[wait for the realization from previous “no free lunch” comment]



# Conservation of Energy

Power in = power out!

How do you compute power in a system of gears?



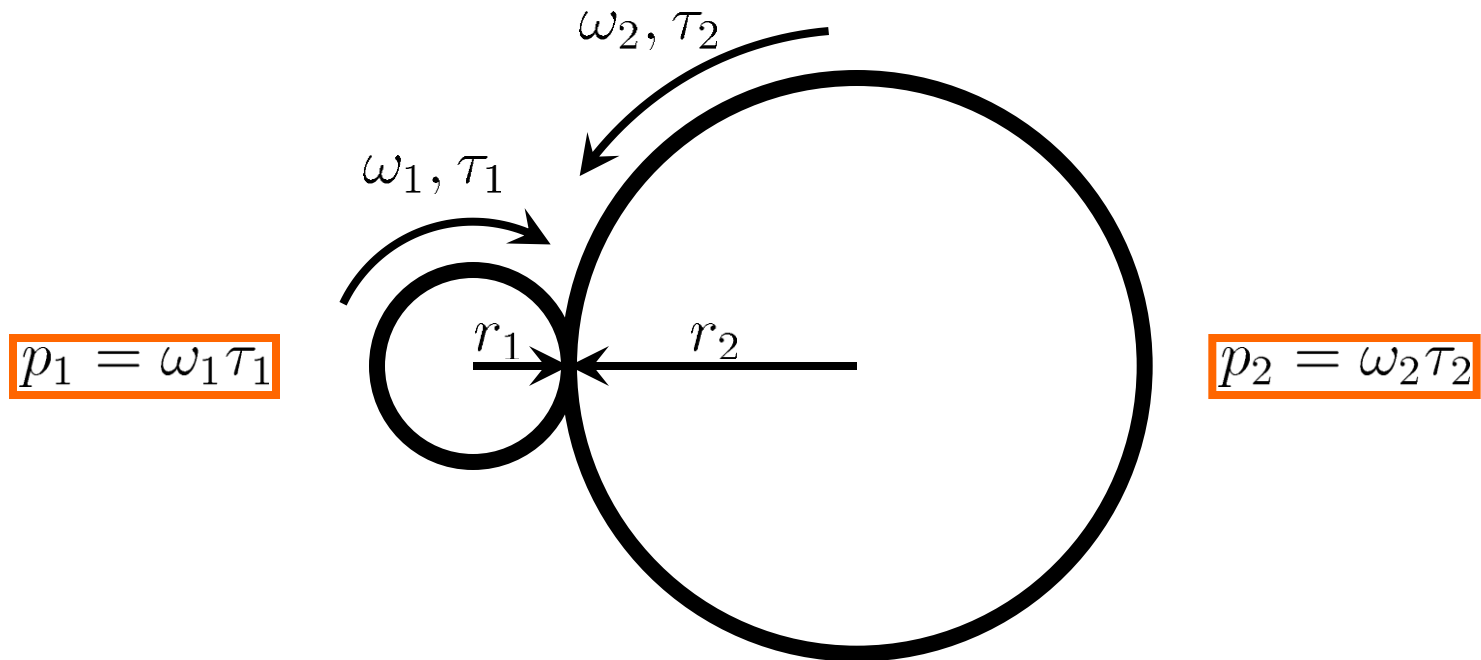
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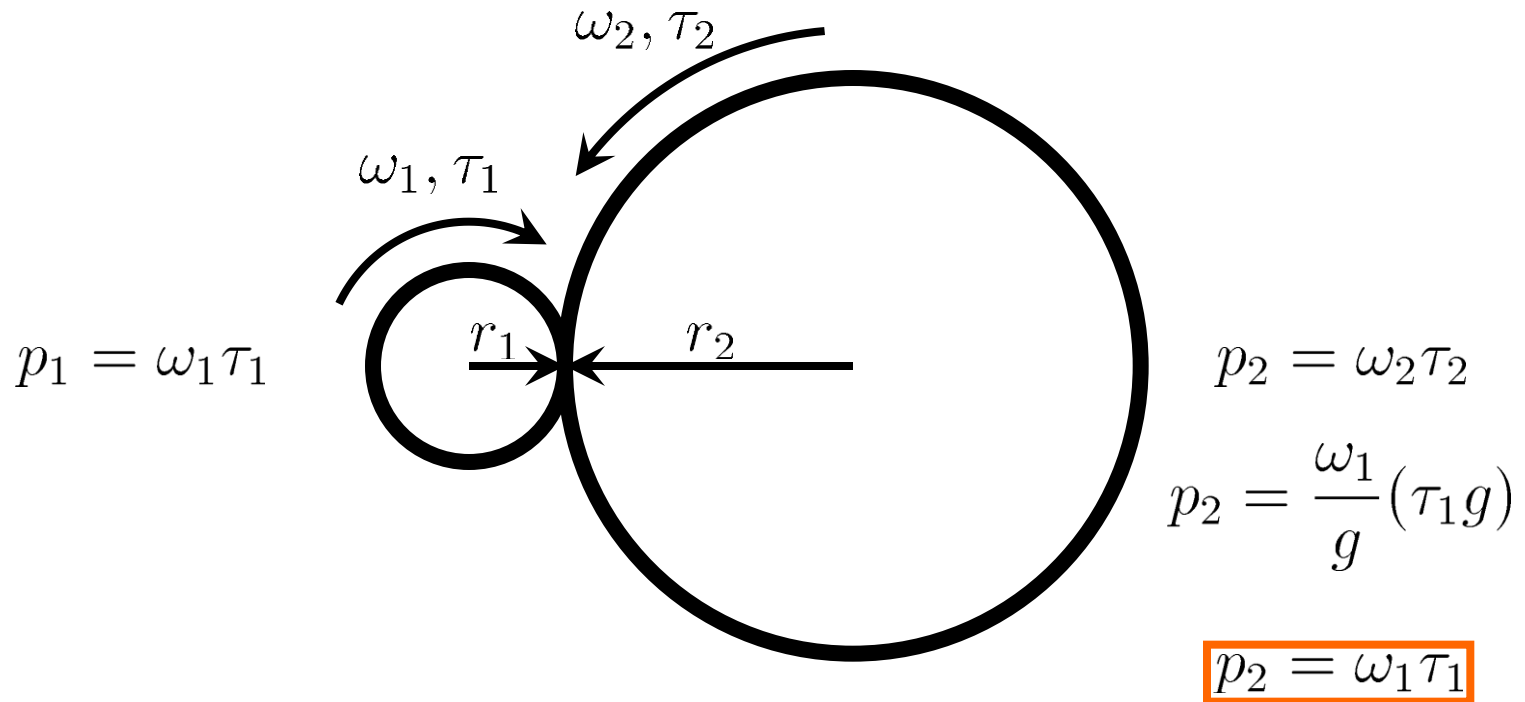
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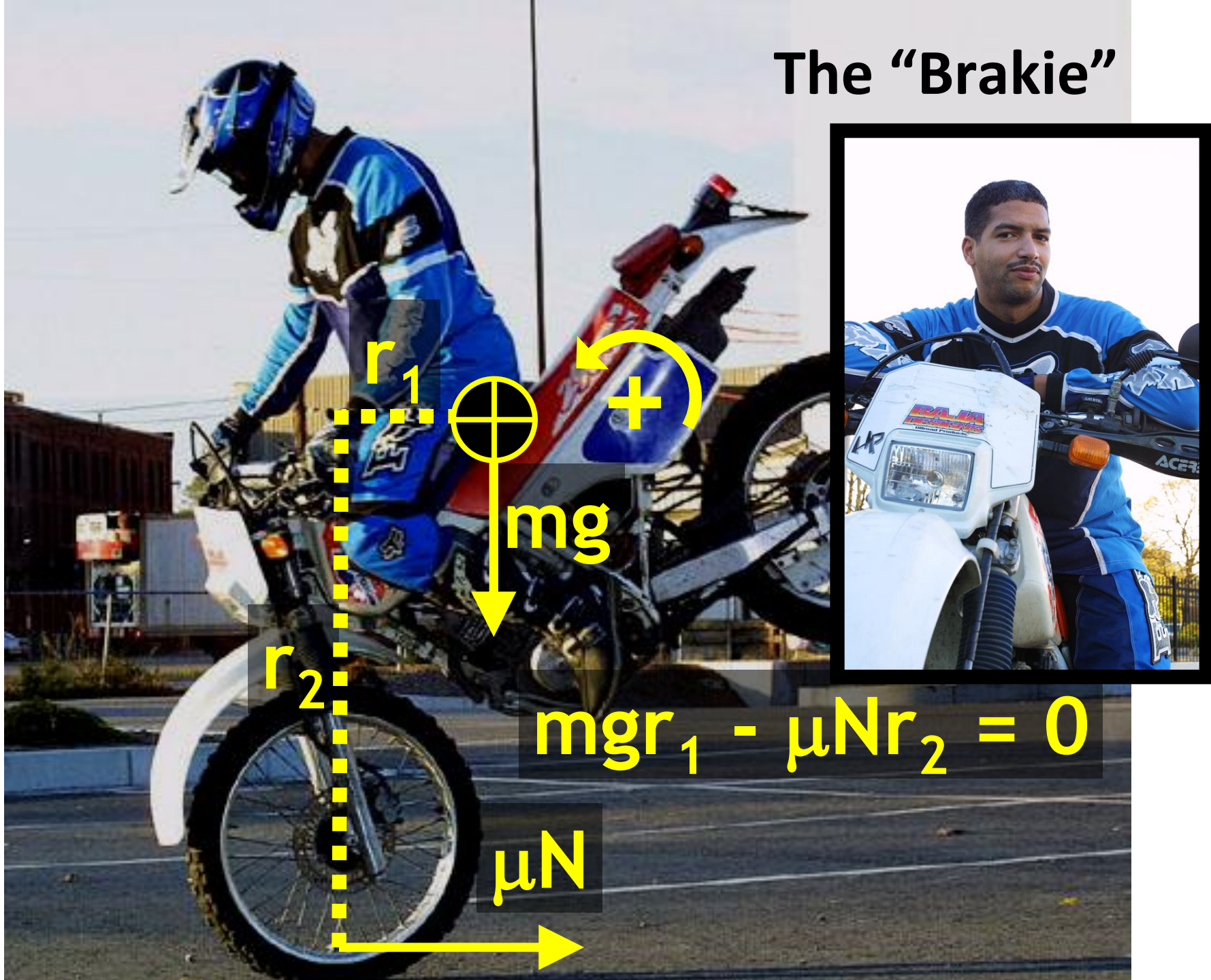
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A photograph of a motorcycle racer in a blue and white suit leaning into a turn on a track. The racer is wearing a helmet and is positioned on a blue and white motorcycle. The background shows a track with a sign that reads "MILLBROOK".

# Fun with Torque: Physics of Two-Wheeled Vehicles



# The “Brakie”



$$mgr_1 - \mu Nr_2 = 0$$

# 2014 Specalized Stumpjumper FSR Comp Evo

What is this bike designed for?





# Slickrock Trail, Moab, UT



**[slideshow]**

## Question 1: Torque and Brakes

Which has more stopping power?

- A. Front brakes
- B. Rear brakes
- C. Both are equal





# Braking Torque

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# Braking Torque

Application of brakes creates a torque

- This torque increases the normal force on the front wheel
- With more normal force, the front wheel can generate more friction
- Almost  $\frac{3}{4}$  of braking force comes from the front wheels!

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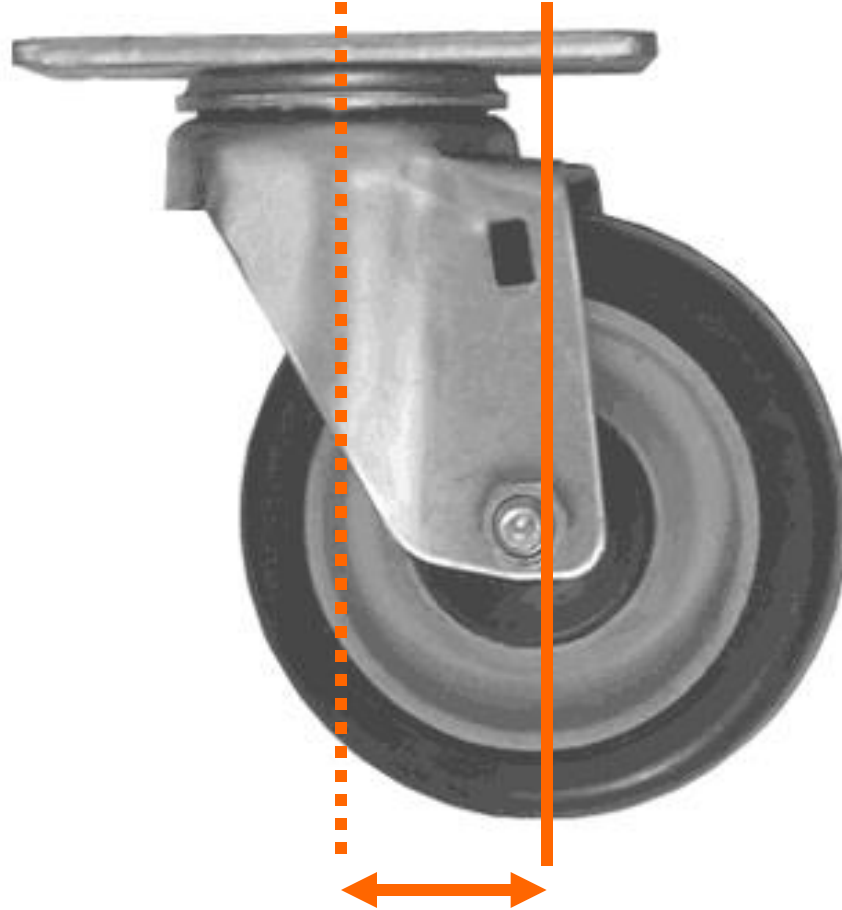


## Question 2: Torque and Steering

What makes a bicycle go straight?

- A. Rider balance
- B. Gyroscopic force
- C. Torque around front wheel axis

# Caster



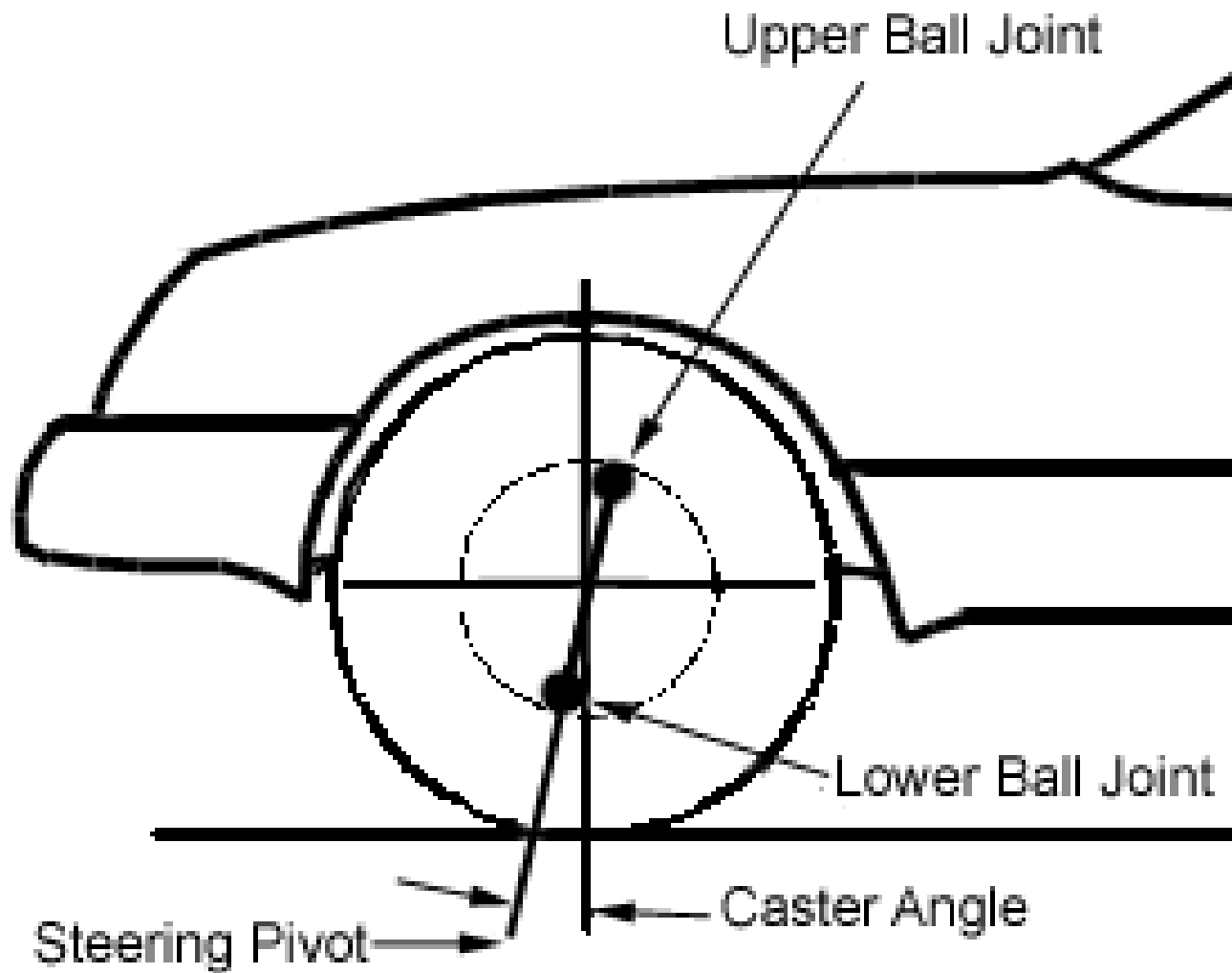


# Caster angle in Bicycles



# Caster angle in cars

[www.familycar.com](http://www.familycar.com)



### Question 3: Torque and Bunny Hops

How does a “bunny hop” work?

- A. Toe clips
- B. Torque around the center of mass
- C. Bouncing off of the tires

# The Bunny Hop



**Try This: Shopping Cart Bunnyhops!**



