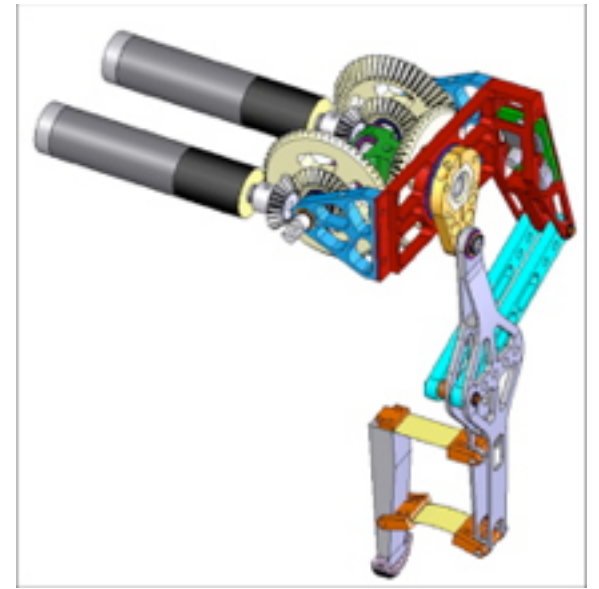




ME112: Mechanical Systems

Lecture I, Jan 4 2016



- Course overview
- Introduction to the staff
- Logistics, schedules
- ME112 Canvas site
- Lectures, Labs, Videos, Projects..
- Preview of Assignment 1 and introduction to power flow in machines

Midterm Crawler Challenge: design a device using Lego kit + motor to meet a given challenge:

- Choose appropriate transmission parameters
- Analyze performance



2015:

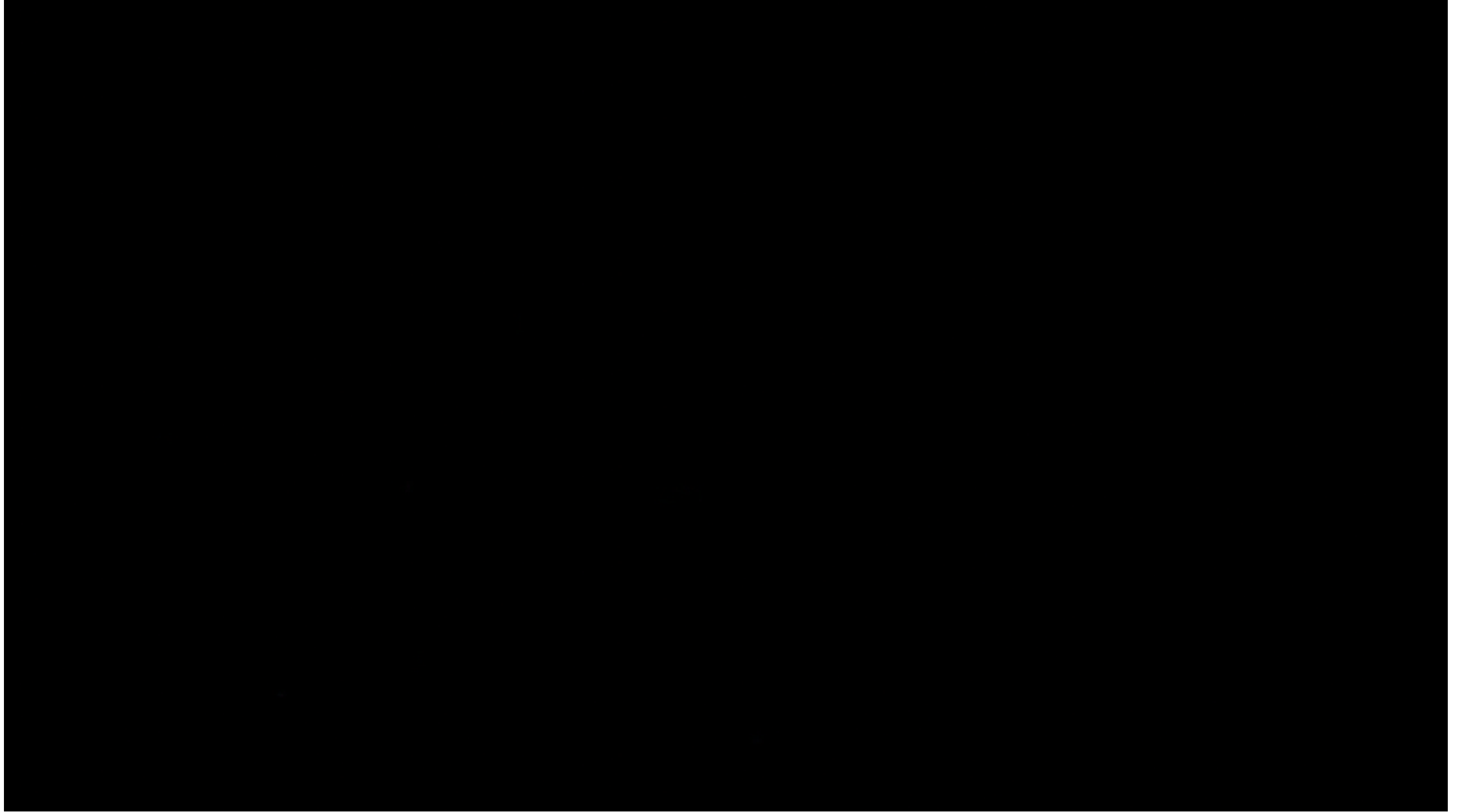
- Our Protoceratops has laid her first egg in a lava tube near the top of the park's volcano!
- It will surely die when it hatches unless you help us rescue the egg.
- The ideal solution would be a **stealthy device** that can be sent down the lava tube to grasp the egg and bring it back to safety



Help the park save its newest addition!

What new challenge will 2016 bring?

Video from 2013 midterm crawler challenge



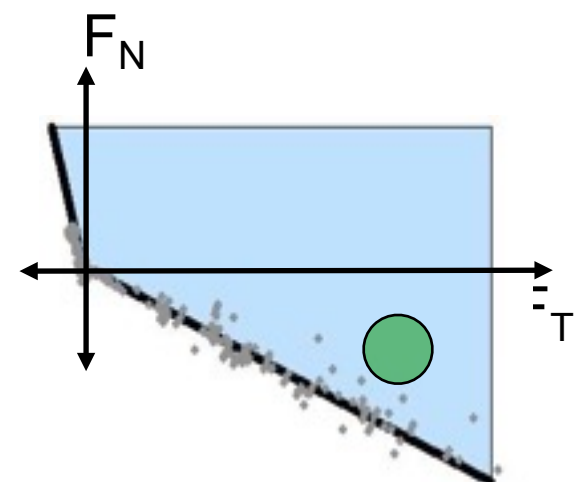
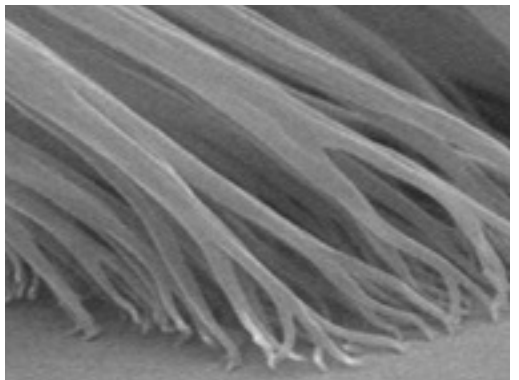
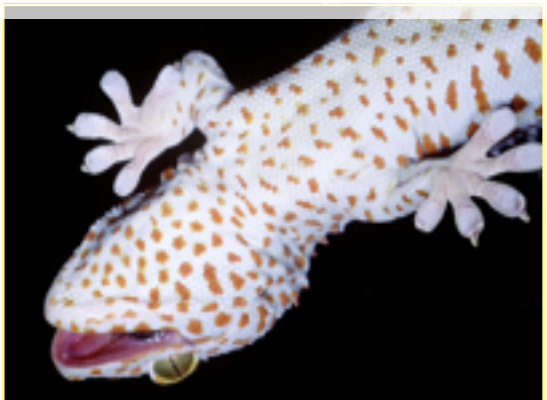
Final Design Project:

Design, construct and test a **bioinspired** [?] that meets a multifaceted challenge.

- Read background material for bio-inspiration
- Come up with multiple concepts
- Purchase and fabricate your own parts
- Employ linkages and transmissions
- Test and characterize performance
- Refine, iterate, tweak, refine some more...

Monitor team progress with multiple design reviews, intermediate documents, demonstration, final report

Bioinspired feet for **smooth climbing**

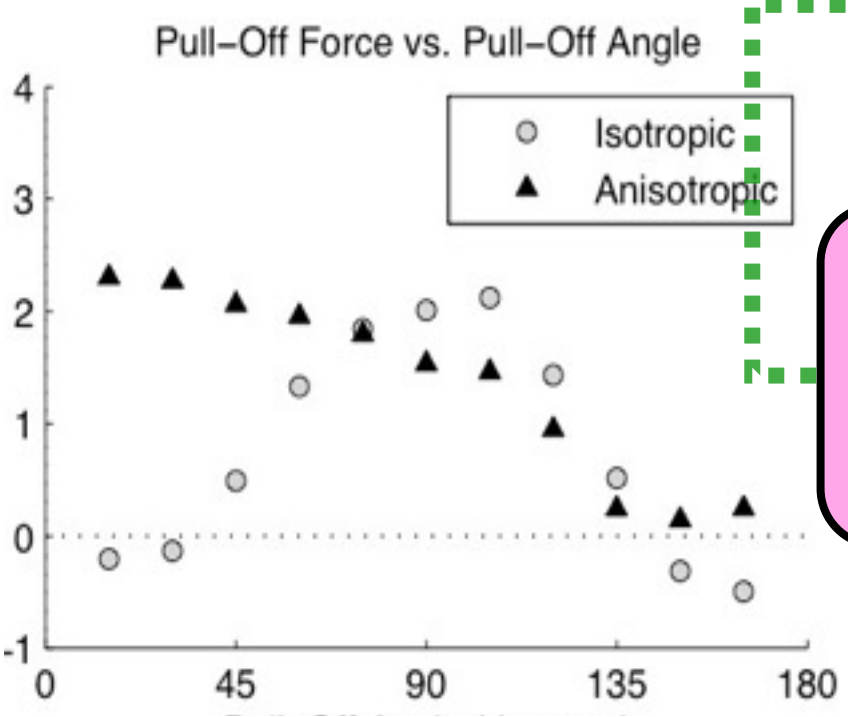


Bioinspiration
how do they
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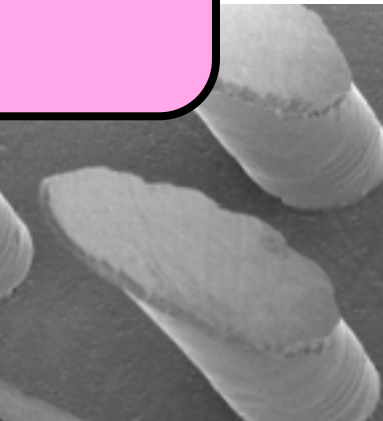
Biology
examine literature,
work with biologists

Hypotheses
regarding the
principles at work

refinement

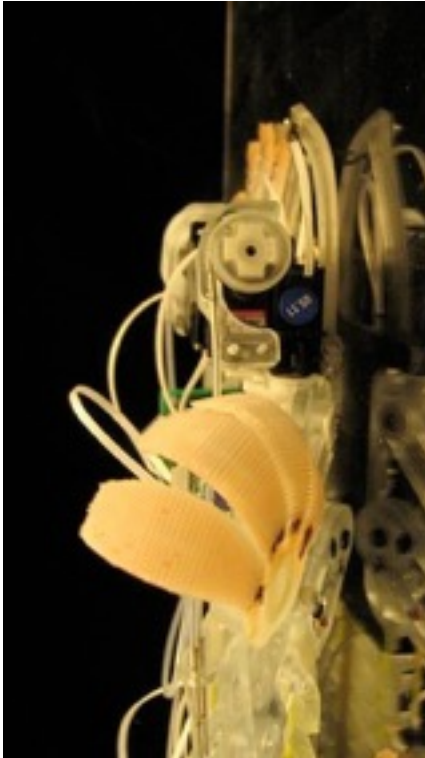


Analysis
test and analyze
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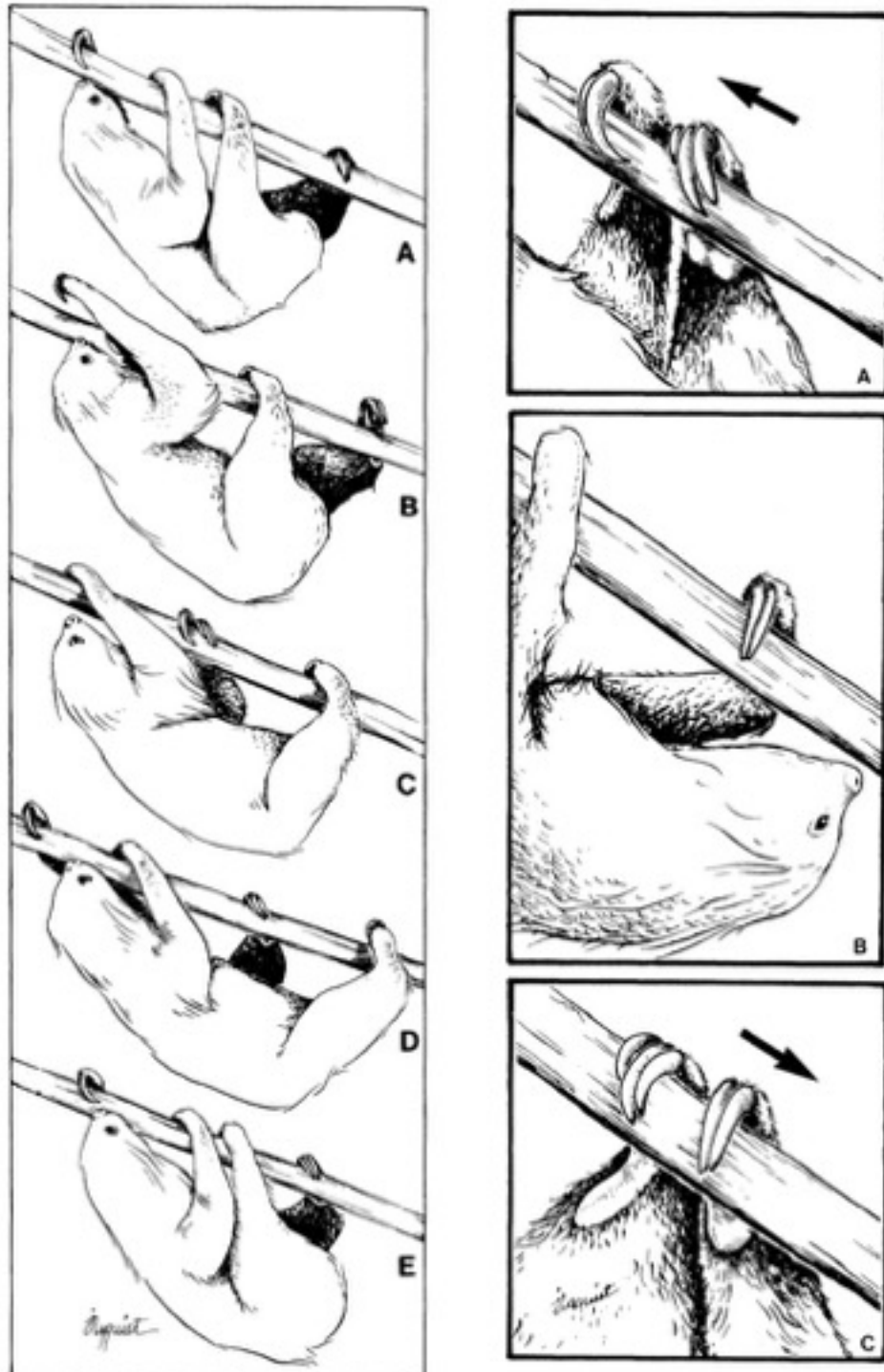
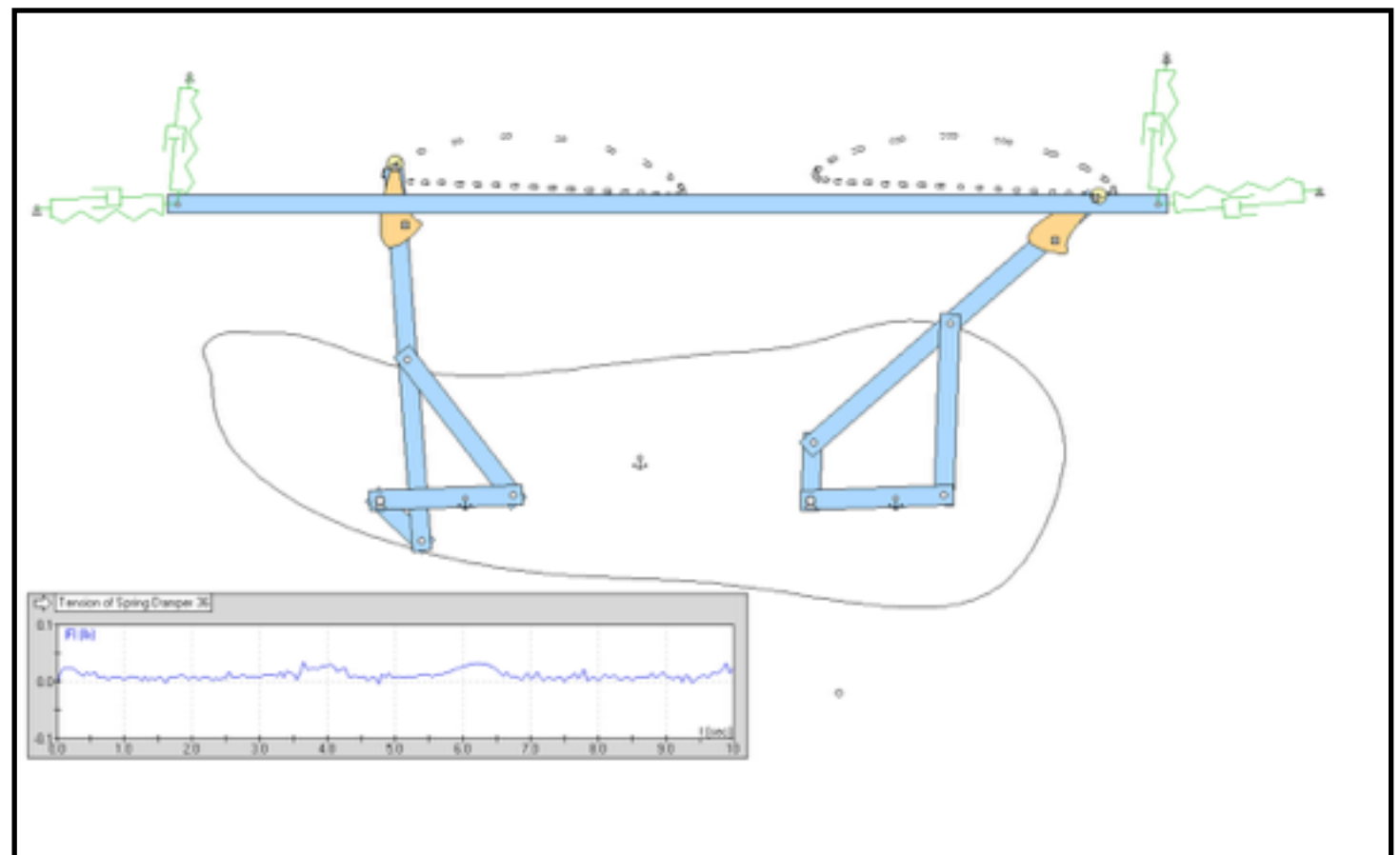


Robotics
implementations
of principles

SDM
technology



MEI 12 2011: Slothbots



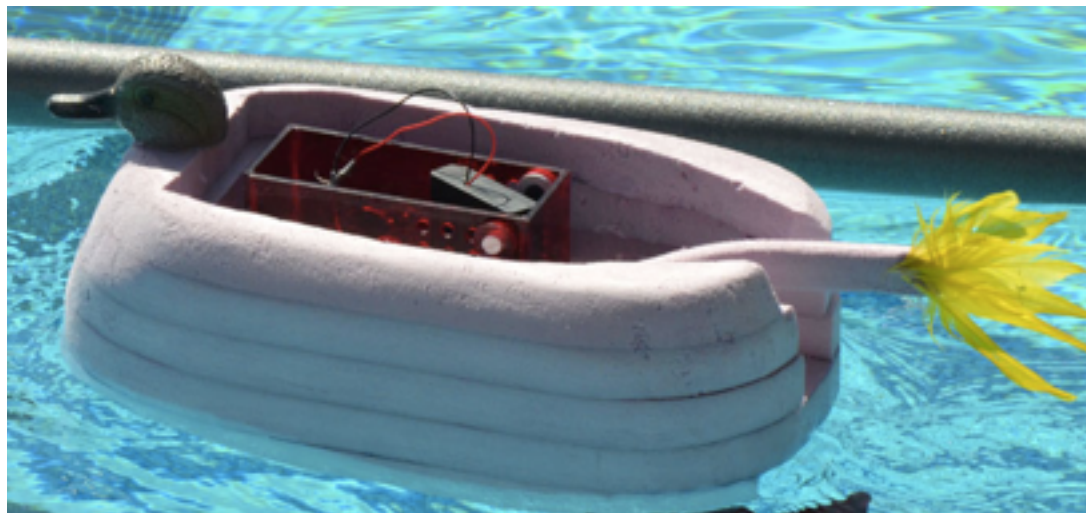
Slothbots in the New Guinea Sculpture Garden





Elephant seals

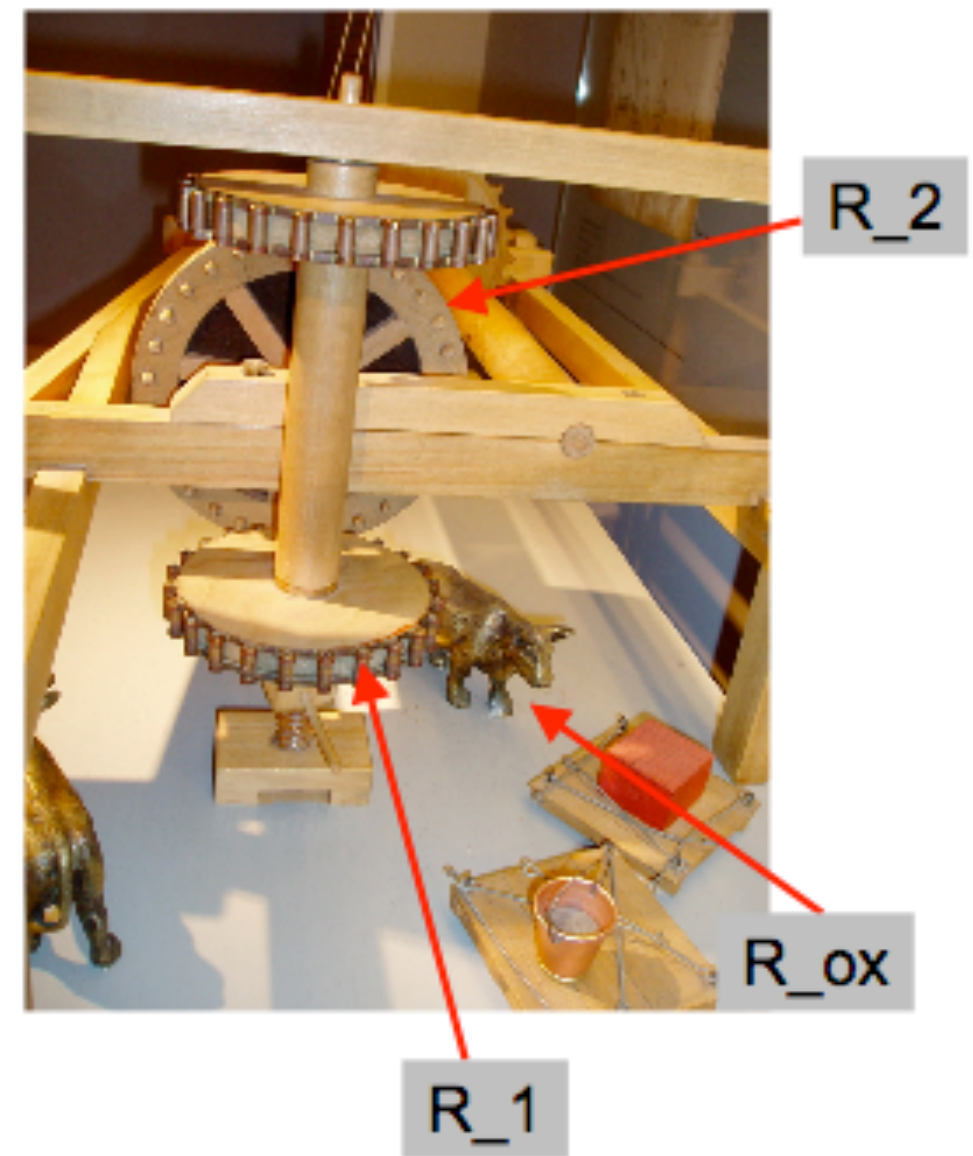
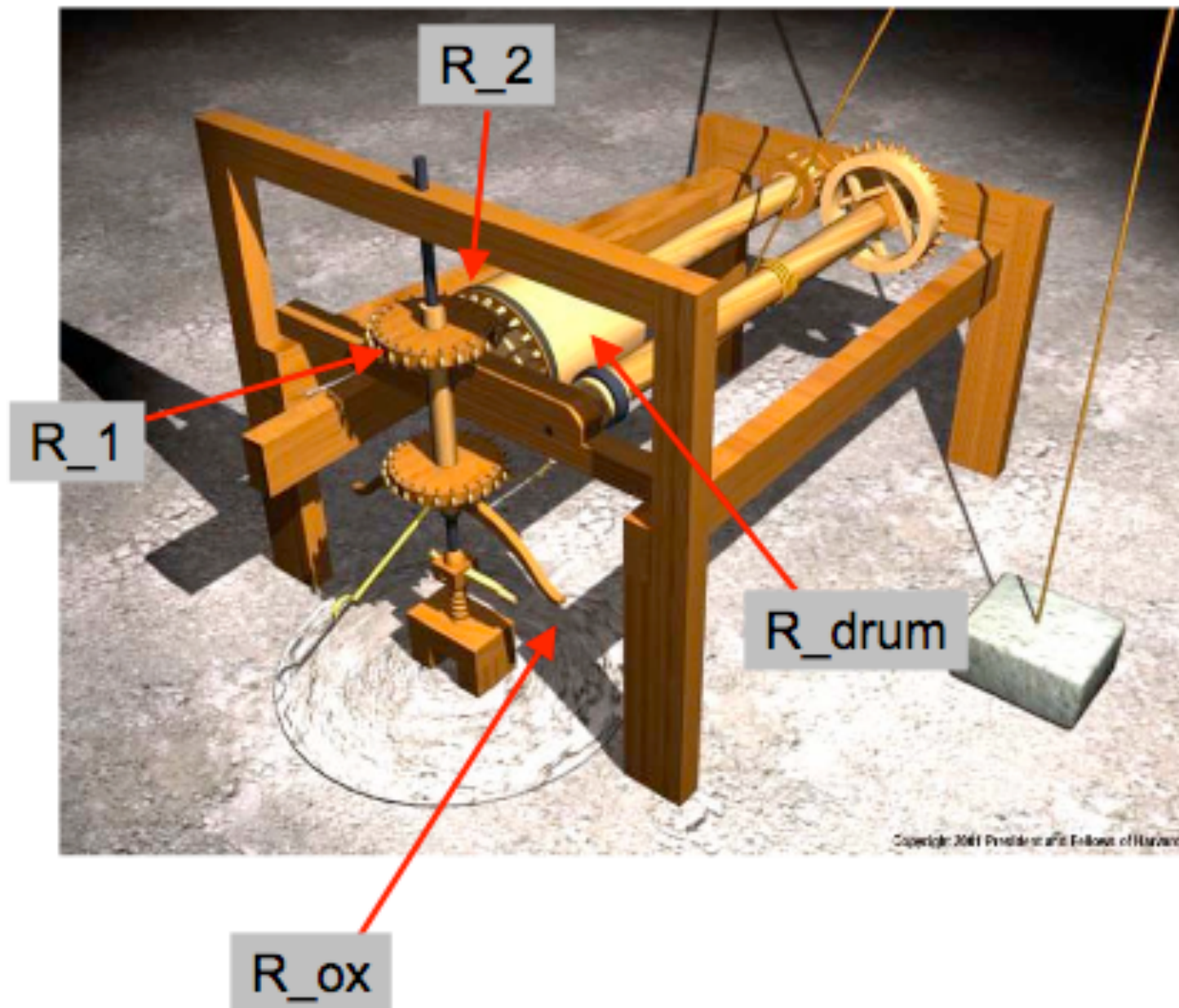
2014: If it swims like a duck...

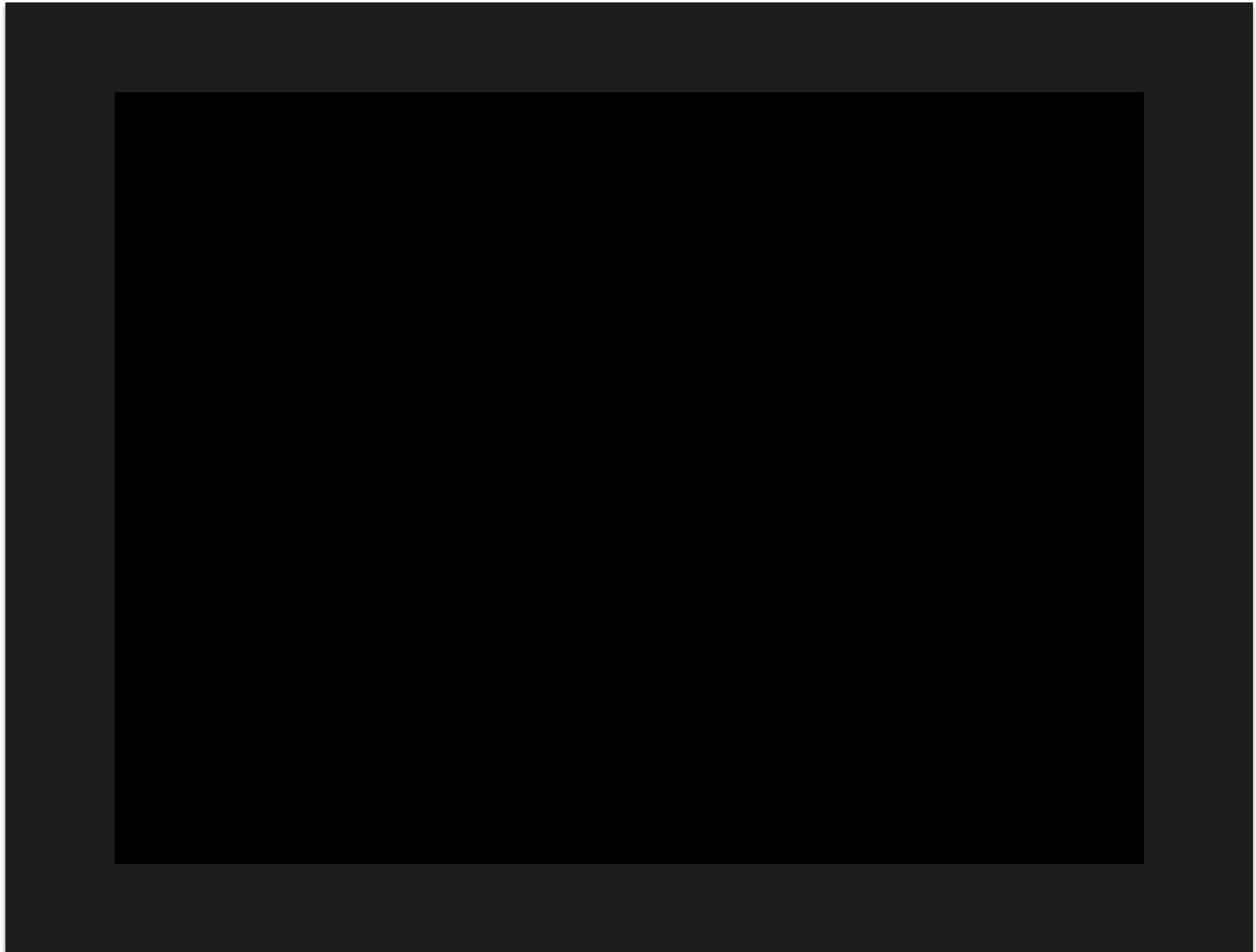


<http://engineering.stanford.edu/news/animatronic-design-challenge-takes-water>

Assignment 1: Read for Wednesday. Think of a couple good questions. We'll talk about it more. Answers due online by Friday

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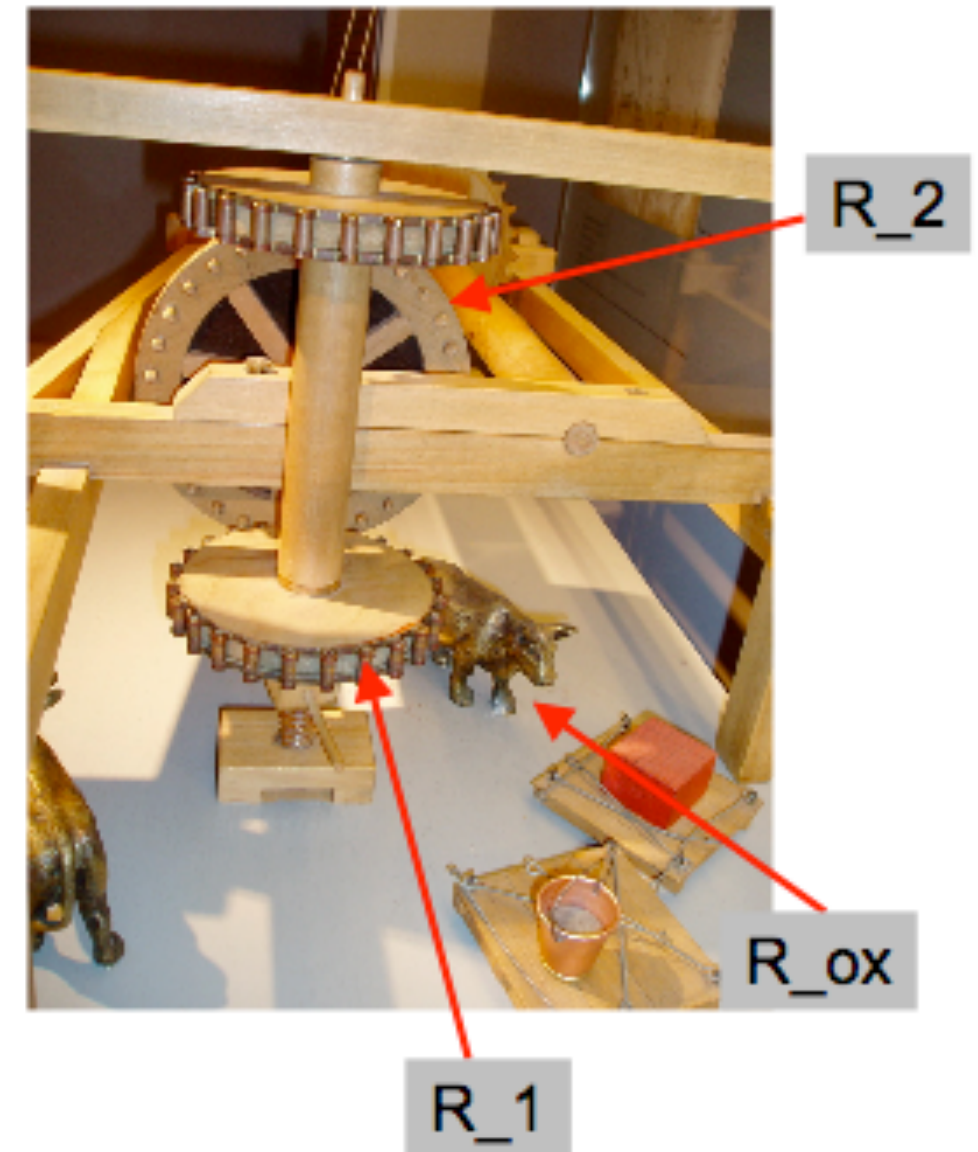
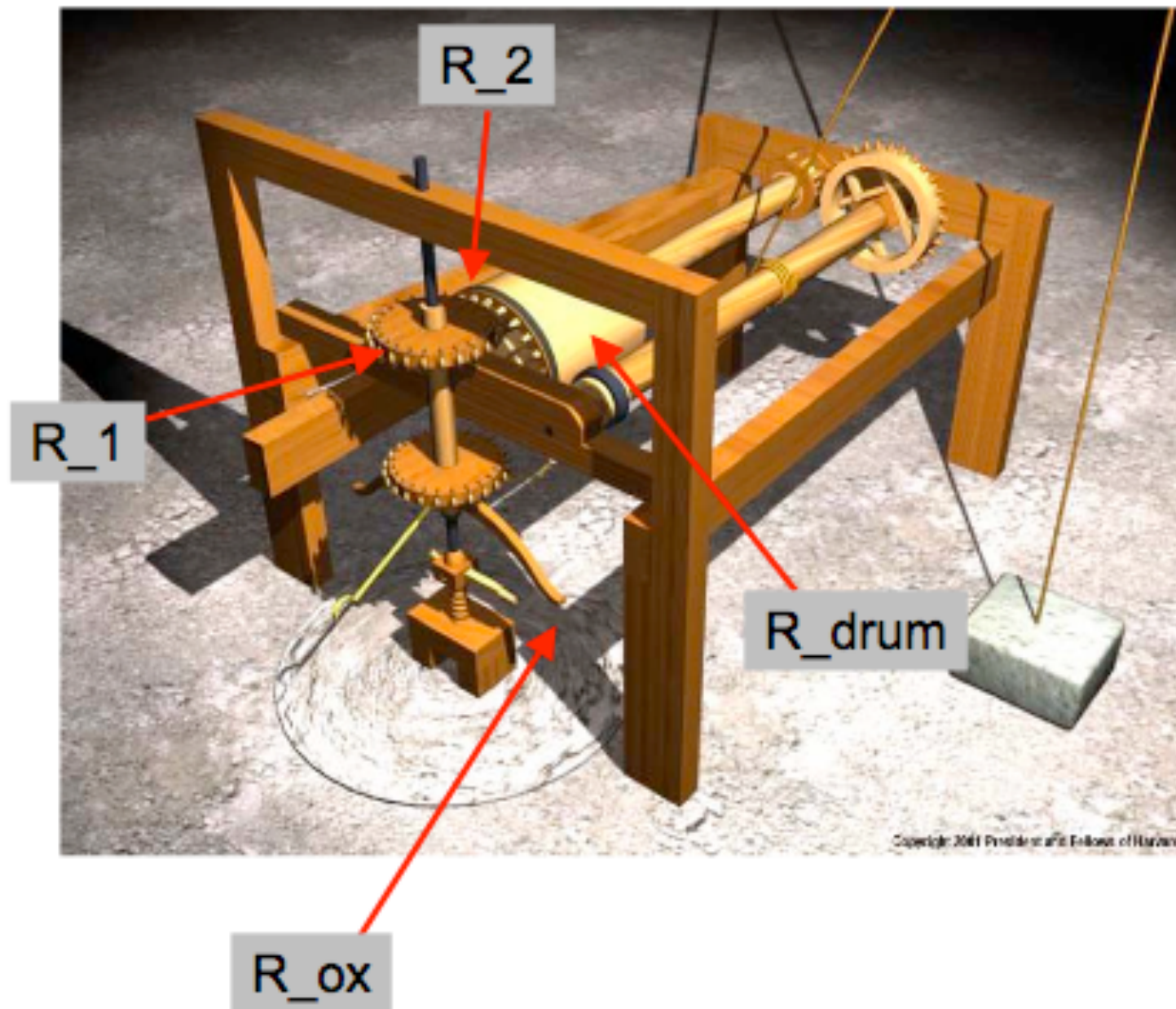


Excerpts from: *Medici, Godfathers of the Renaissance*, PBS

(can download as a videoclip, *Brunelleschi's Machine*, from:

<http://bdml.stanford.edu/Main/BrunelleschiNotes>)

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Links to background material and videos:

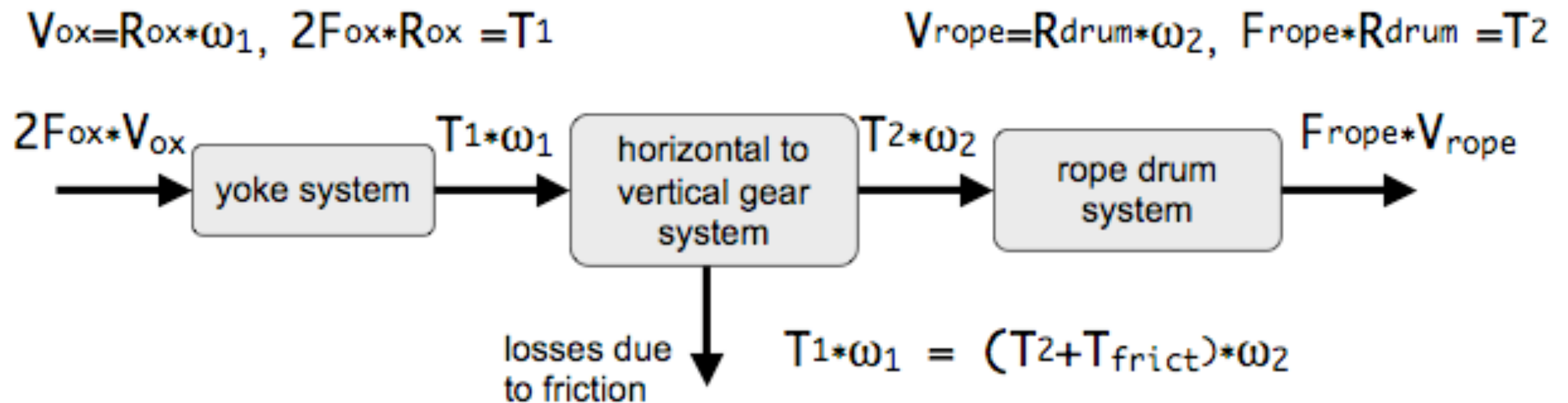
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(or torque · angular velocity)

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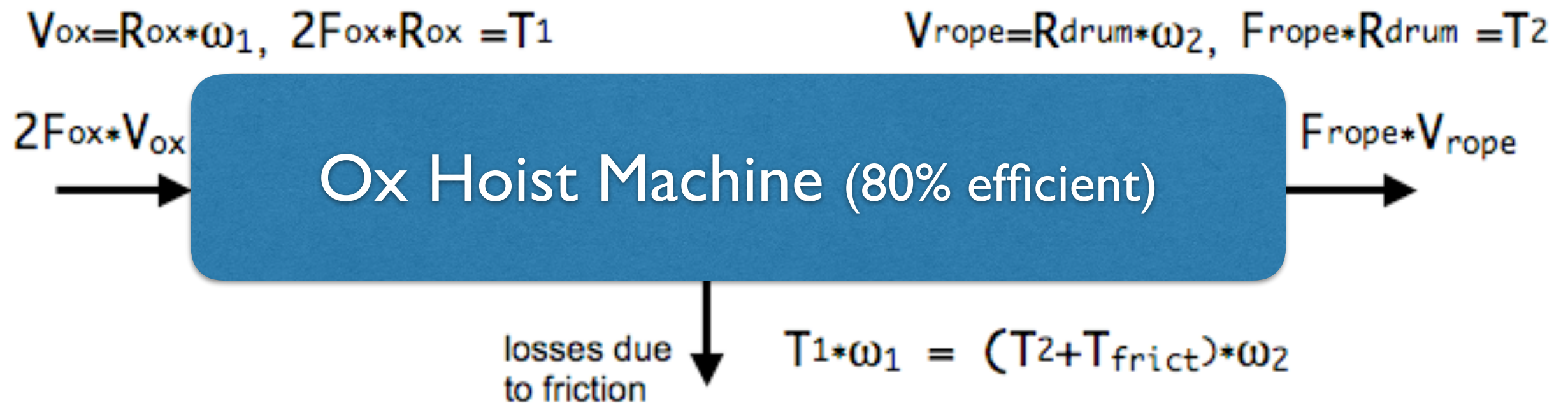
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For Wednesday, please:

- Read over Assignment 1.pdf online; think of a good question.
- Watch short video “Gears1: serial and compound gear trains”
(suggest viewing speed = 1.5x)
- Sign up for Transmission Lab (signup opens 12:00 Tues)