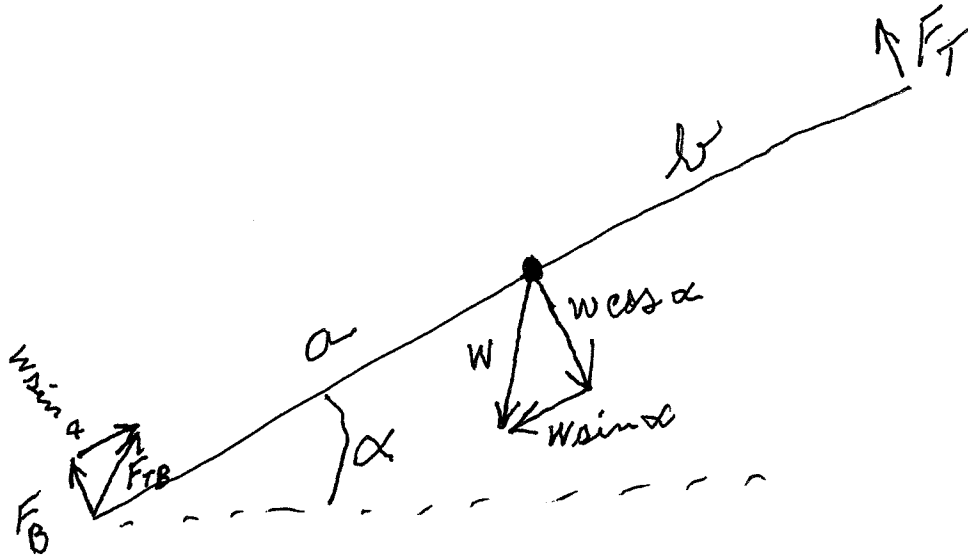


For a detector of weight w and c.g. at distances a and b from its ends.



The top support is frictionless. Bottom is fixed. The rotational torques must balance.

$$F_T = \frac{a w \cos \alpha}{a+b}$$

$$F_B = \frac{b w \cos \alpha}{a+b}$$

The bottom support must also balance the $w \sin \alpha$ component. So, the total force on the bottom support is

$$F_{TB}^2 = F_B^2 + (w \sin \alpha)^2$$

$$F_{TB}^2 = \frac{b^2 w^2 \cos^2 \alpha}{(a+b)^2} + w^2 \sin^2 \alpha$$

at 45° and $a=b$

$$F_T = F_B = \frac{W}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{TB}^2 &= \frac{W^2}{8} + \frac{W^2}{2} \\ &= W^2 \frac{5}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$F_{TB} = W \sqrt{\frac{5}{8}}$$

$$= 0.79W$$

For A2 which is 688 lbs.

$$F_T = 243 \text{ lbs}$$

$$F_{TB} = 544 \text{ lbs}$$