



Mission Statement

To provide Animal Rescue Training to any agency that would benefit from learning how to save animals using Fire Rescue Standards, and to provide that training in conjunction with other agencies because joint training leads to smooth interagency calls.

**Rope Rescue
Anchors**

**Operational
Training**



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Fire Fighter 1

Single Resource Boss

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Fire Instructor for SDHS

Tech Rescue Instructor

Animal Fire Rescue
Pres. & Lead Instructor

GAFSC Board Member

ASAR Fire Instructor

Rt-130 WFSTAR Instructor

Fire & EMS Training

TECC Instructor

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Instructor Qualifications



- ▶ Sergeant of Humane Law Enforcement, San Diego Humane Society
- ▶ Senior Team Lead, Technical Rescue Team- San Diego Humane Society
- ▶ Emergency Response Team- San Diego Humane Society
- ▶ Instructor, Technical Rescue- Animal Fire Rescue
- ▶ Animal Disaster Response Team- Code 3 Associated
- ▶ ASAR Team member- Animal Search and Rescue



Tie a
Double
Loop
Figure 8

Terminal Learning Objective (TLO)

At the end of this course the student will have an Operational
Level knowledge of Anchor Systems:

Class Standards

- NFPA 1670
- SDHS Tech Rescue
- Animal Fire Rescue
- ASAR Training
- State Fire Training



By the end
of this class
you should
be able to
explain the
following
Definitions

Shock Load

Tag Line

ERNEST

Critical Angle

COD Angle

Master Point

Anchor
Systems

Topics

Anchor Systems

Voodoo Back-tie

Tag Line

Master Point

Critical Angles

Change of Direction (COD)

Webbing Shortening Technique

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Why are Anchor
Systems so Important?

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Without a Good Anchor
System Nothing Else in
Rope Rescue is Possible



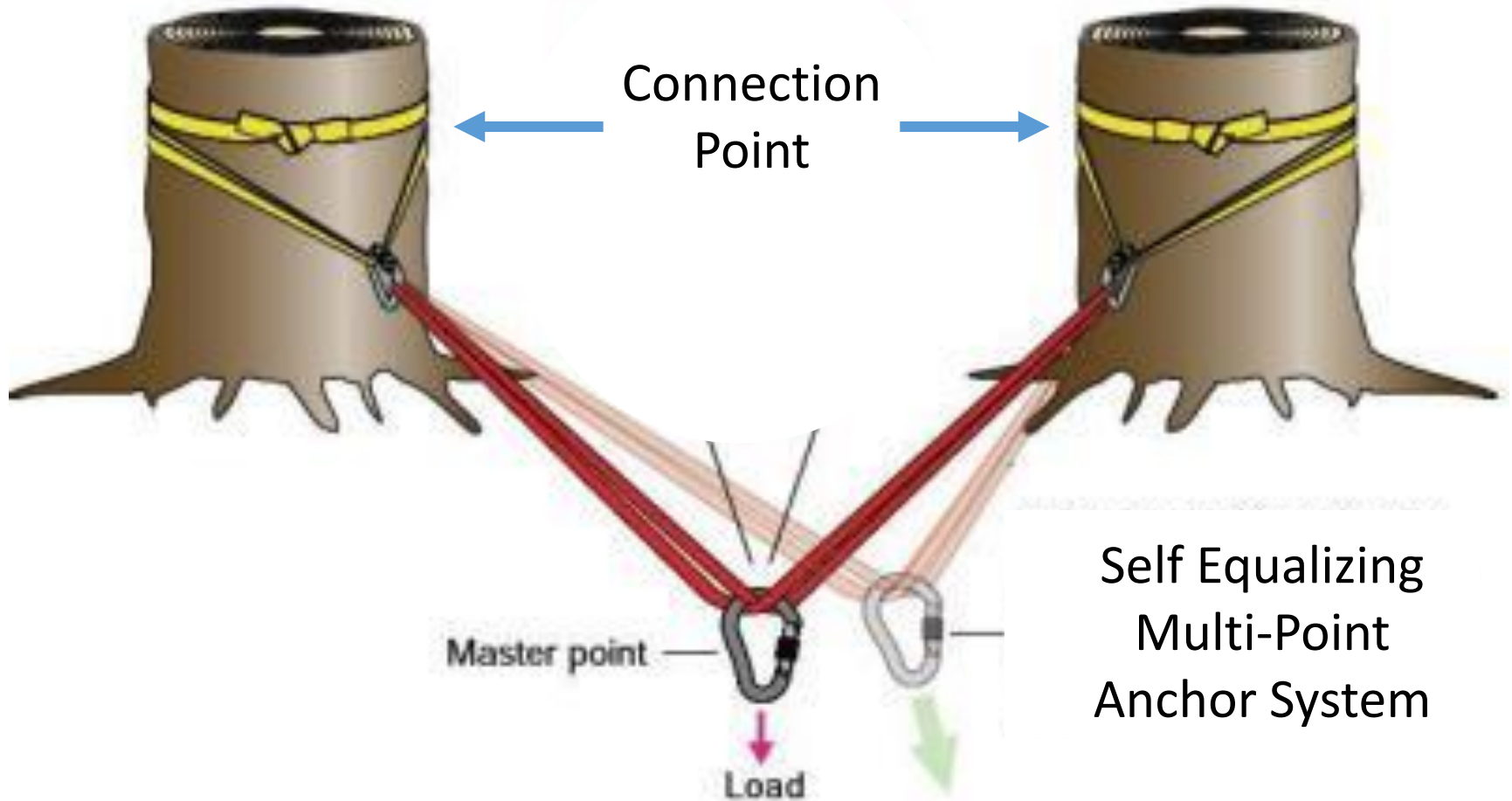
Anchor Systems

Anchor Systems are made up of Anchor Points, Connection Points and Master Points.

They can be Single or Multi Point connections that can be Self Equalizing or simple Load Distributing.

Anchor Point

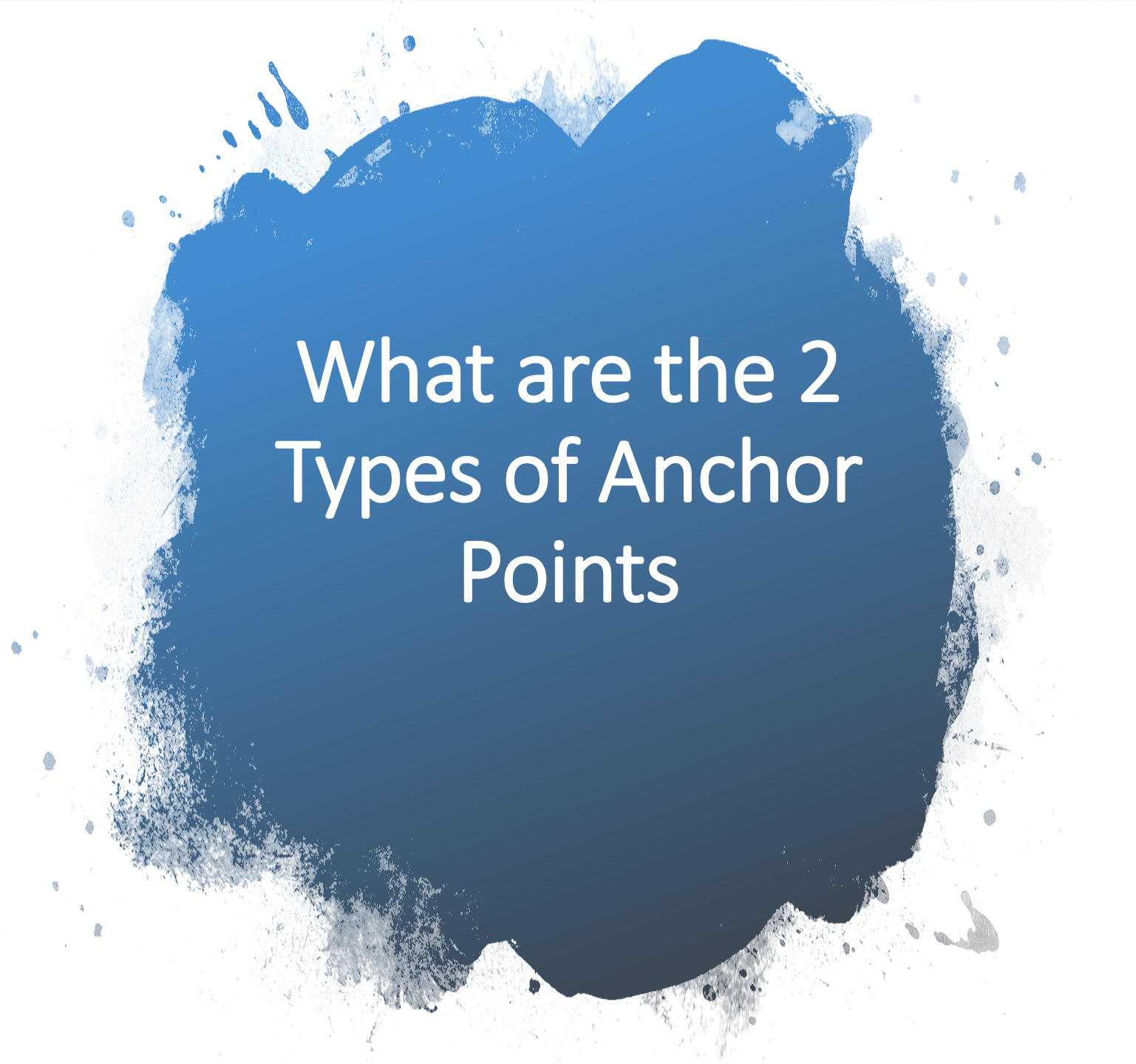
Connection
Point



Self Equalizing
Multi-Point
Anchor System



Anchor Points



What are the 2 Types of Anchor Points

Type of Anchor Points



Artificial



Natural



Alien Technology



Anchor Points

Vehicle Anchors

The following slides show possible locations but are not necessarily built with the actual Connection Points that are used by Animal Fire Rescue









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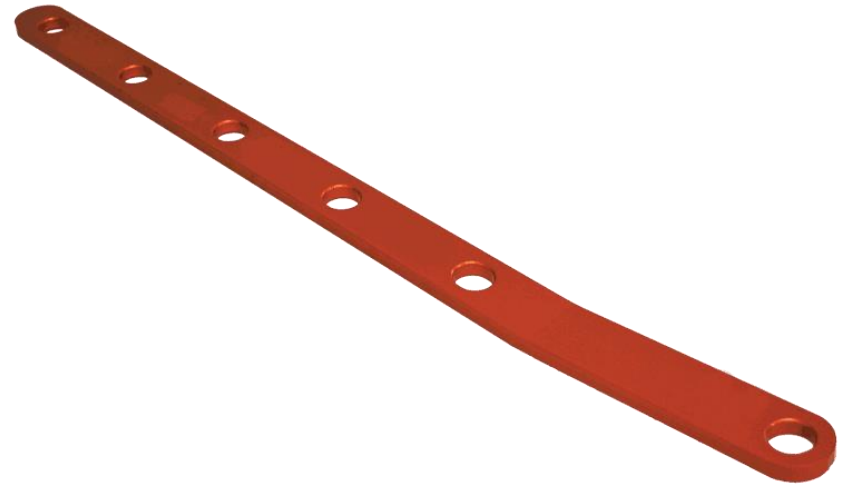




Anchor Points

Picket Plates

The strongest configuration is to have the Load in line with the Pickets, but the system can handle up to a 45-degree swing from center





Picket Plate Video

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Anchor Points

Trees

Tree Studies

Tree Anchor “Ratings” Based on Wind Loading

- Written By: Lance Piatt at Rigging Labs
- 6.5 “ Diameter for Ground Haul
- 9 “ Diameter for AHD
- Measure at about 6’ up tree

Common Practice

- 6-8” Diameter
- Helmet Diameter
- Good Soil (Not Sand or Mud)



Anchor Points

Rocks

Important Factors



Size



Location



Soil (not Sand or Mud)



Animal Holes



Strong Rock



Sharp Edges



Connection Points

What are the 6 Anchor Connections

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Anchor Connections

Basket
Hitch

Wrap 3 Pull 2

Redundant
Wrap 2 Pull 1

Tensionless
Hitch

Figure 8
Follow
Through

Bowline

What are the
2 types of
Multi Point
Anchor
Systems

- Single Point
- Multi Point
- _____
- _____

2 Types of Multi Point Anchor Systems

Load
Distributing

Self
Equalizing



Load Distributing Anchor Video

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Self Equalized Anchor Videos

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<https://youtu.be/7H74vojYqvY>

ERNEST

This an Acronym to test your Anchor System



- Equalized
- Redundant
- No Extension
- Strong
- Timely



Master Point

- The Point that the Anchor System ends, and all other Rigging begins.
- The Master Point will usually have a rigging plate attached to it.
- If placement is critical the Rigging Team Lead will give you the location, they would like the Master Point to end up.
- A Master Point can be on a Single or Multi Point system.

Tag Line



- A length of Lifeline Rope attached from the Anchor Point.
- Used to extend an Anchor Point toward the Load so an Anchor System can be constructed.
- Usually not under tension until Load is placed on the Raise or Lower Systems.

Back Tie

- Used to Back Up an Anchor that is not Bomb Proof.
- Attached to the Top of the Primary Anchor and the bottom of the Back Up Anchor.
- Usually done with a VooDoo Back Tie.

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Voodoo Back-tie

This is the Primary Back-tie system used by Animal Fire Rescue



VooDoo Back Tie Video

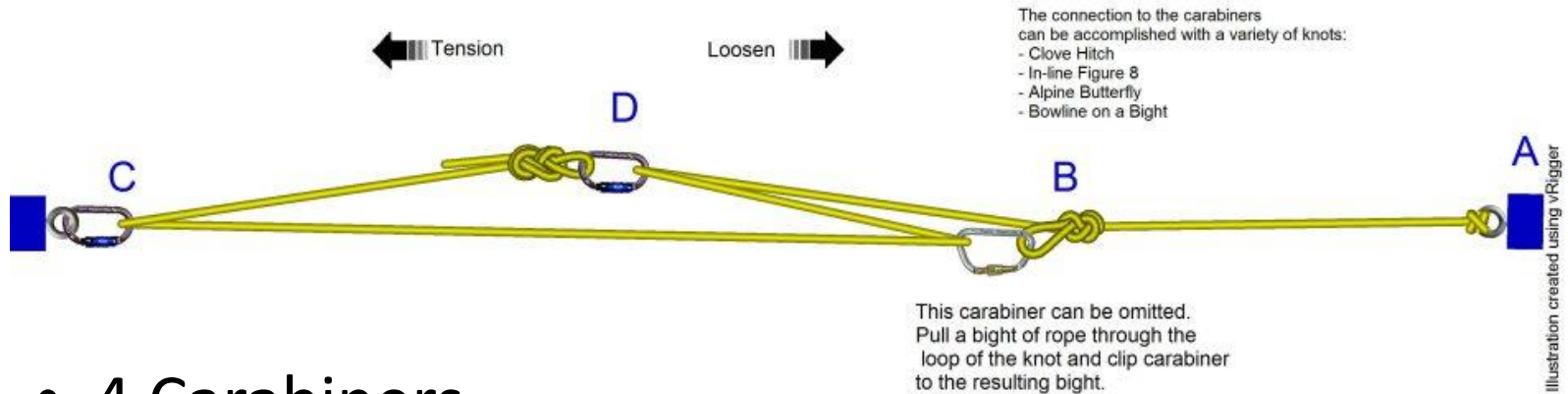
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How you do the VooDoo



- 4 Carabiners
- Rope
- Anchor Webbing
- Prusik

Safety on a VooDoo





Misc. Items

Shock Load

- When a free-falling Load comes to fast stop.
- The amount of Force can be several times greater than the Load itself.
- Shock Load can be eliminated with use of a Load Sharing Anchor System.
- Shock Load can be minimized in a Self Equalizing Anchor System with limiting knots or a smaller piece of webbing used at the end of the system.
- The final leg of a Self Equalized System should be 12" or less.



Floating Anchor



Webbing Shortening Technique



Webbing Shorting Video

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Bowline

The Bowline requires a safety in order to use it in a Life Safety system.

The following two videos show a couple of methods of finishing the Bowline Knot.



Bowline Safety Videos

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The two videos below show two different ways to
back up a Bowline.

<https://youtu.be/Jj42B8eCOzc>

<https://youtu.be/DEBSCg5scQM>



Critical Angles

What is the
range we
want our
Multi-Point
Anchor
angels?



30-90
degrees



The Following Slides



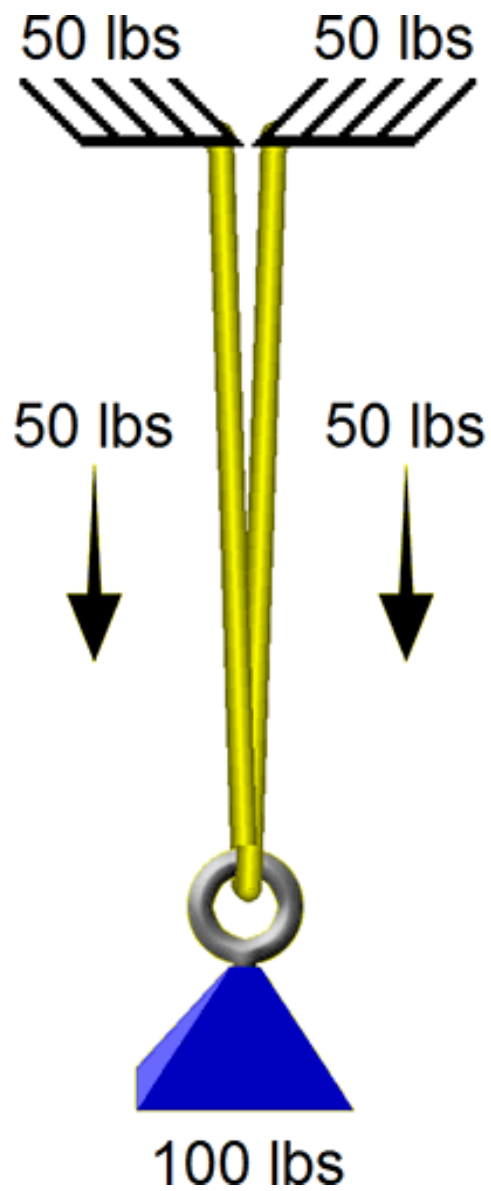
See how the amount of Force changes on each leg of the Anchor System despite the load staying the same.

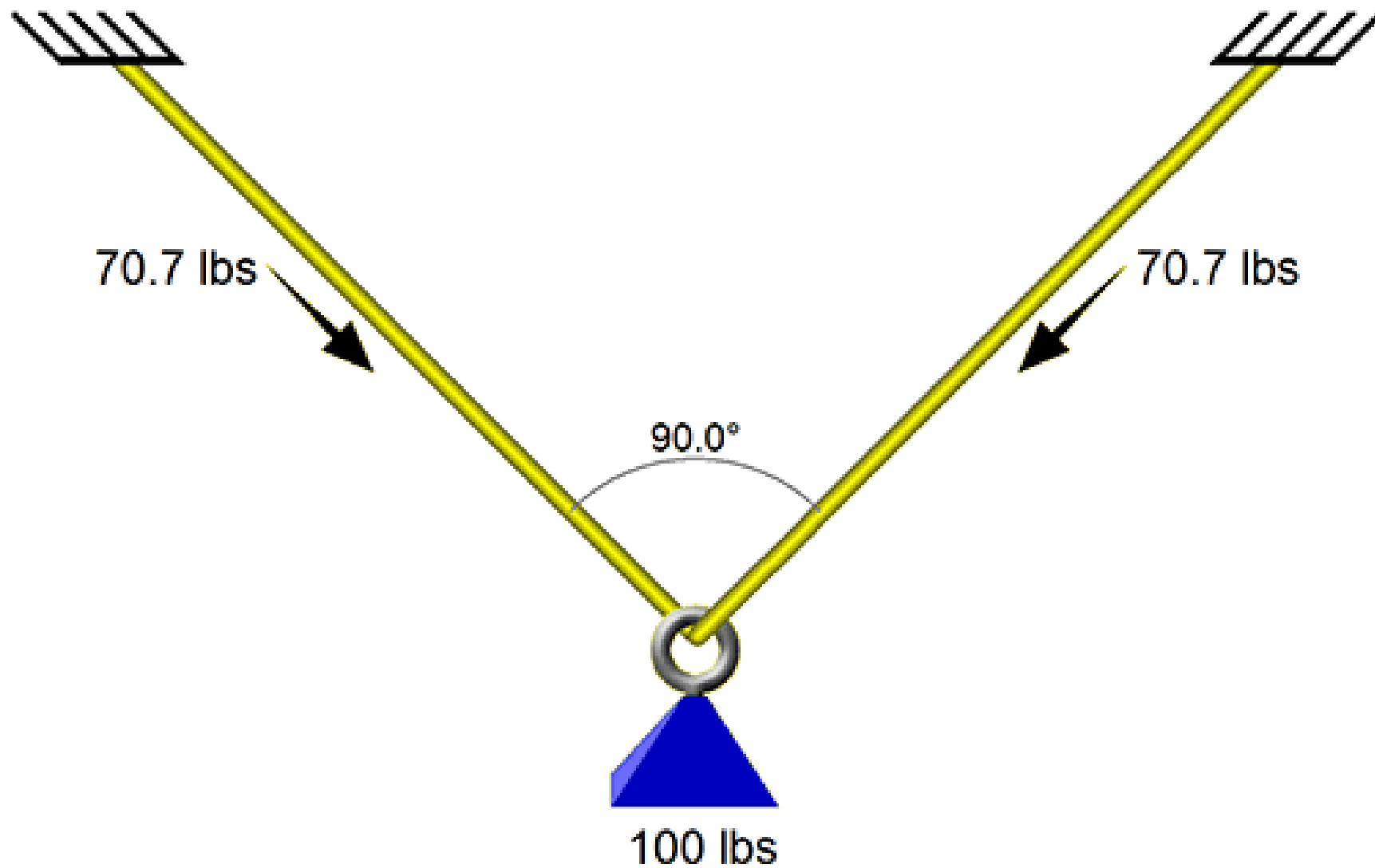


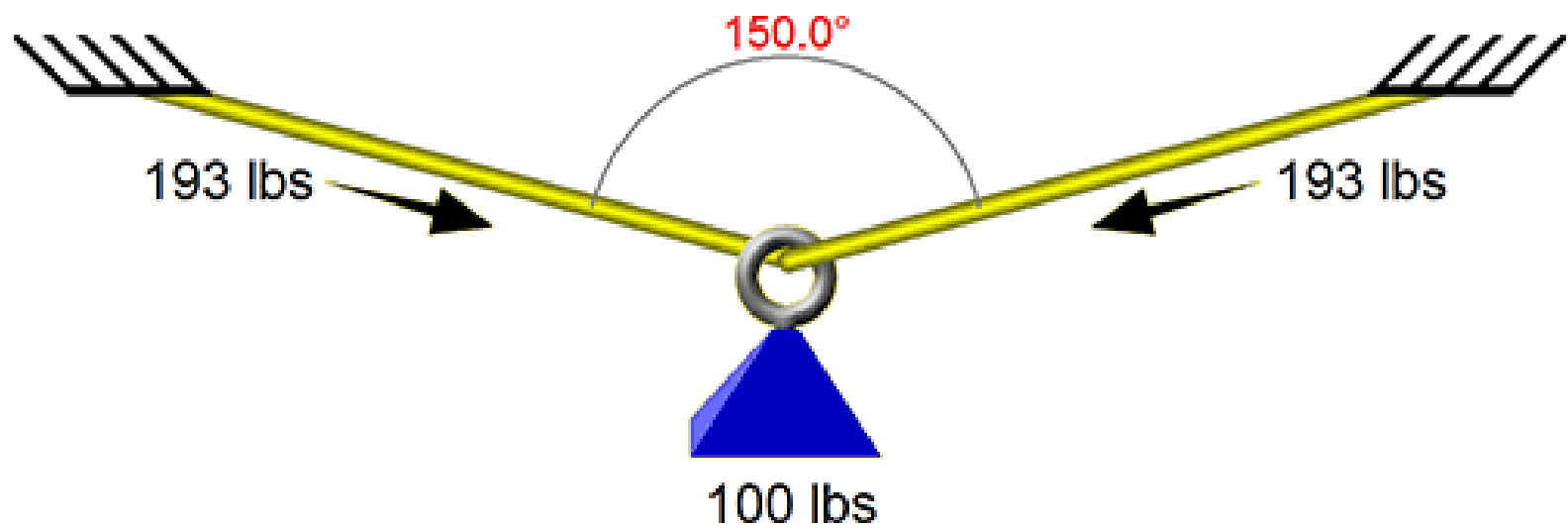
The amount of Force applied can exceed the amount of the original Load.



This is extremely important when applying a large Load like a horse.







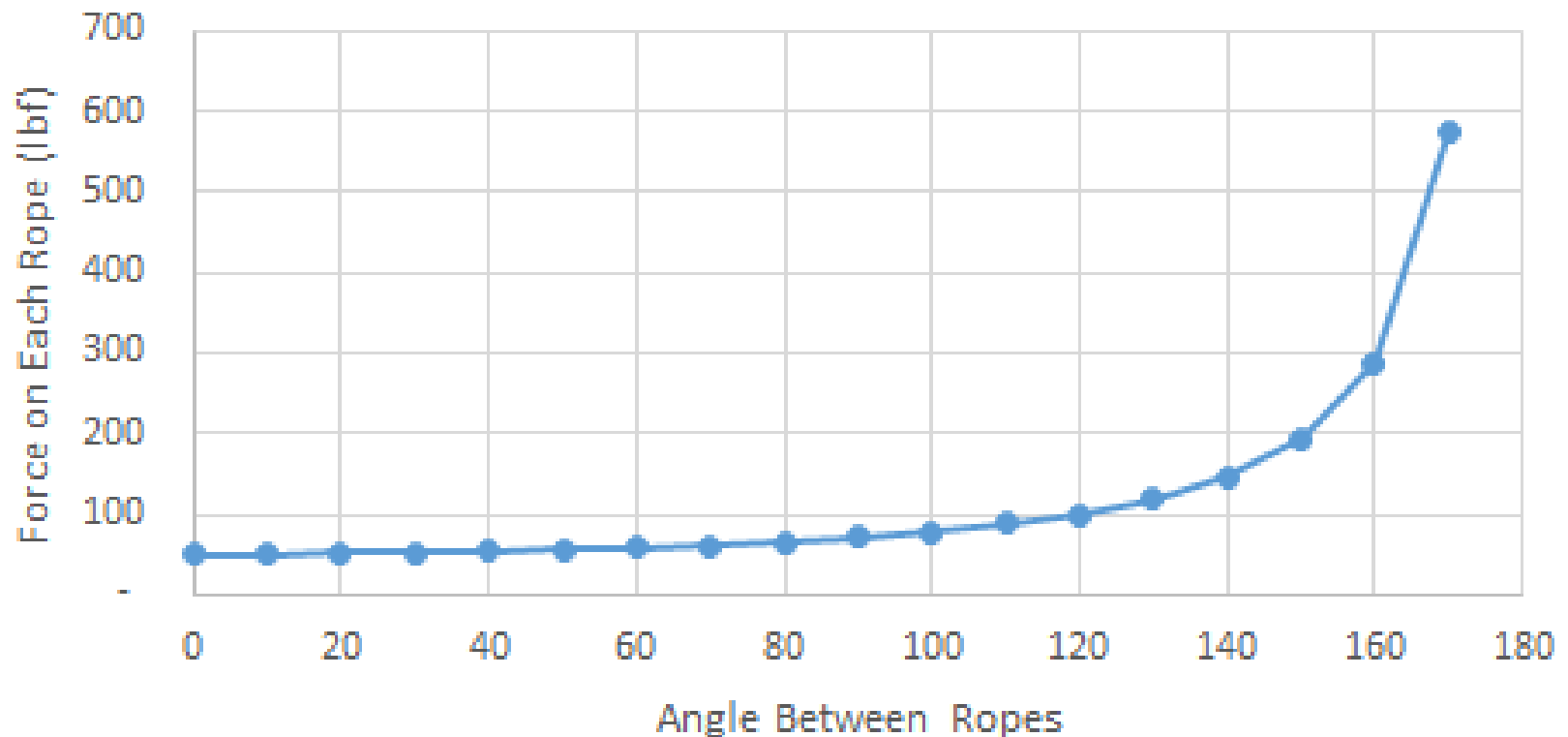
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See how the amount of Force applied to the legs of an Anchor System changes very little from 0-90 degrees.

After 90 degrees the amount of increased Force applied to the legs of the Anchor System goes up very fast.



The Effect of Rope Angles on Forces (100 pound load)





COD

Change of Direction

Rules for Change of Direction (COD)

COD =

Increase Force to Anchor

COD after M/A =

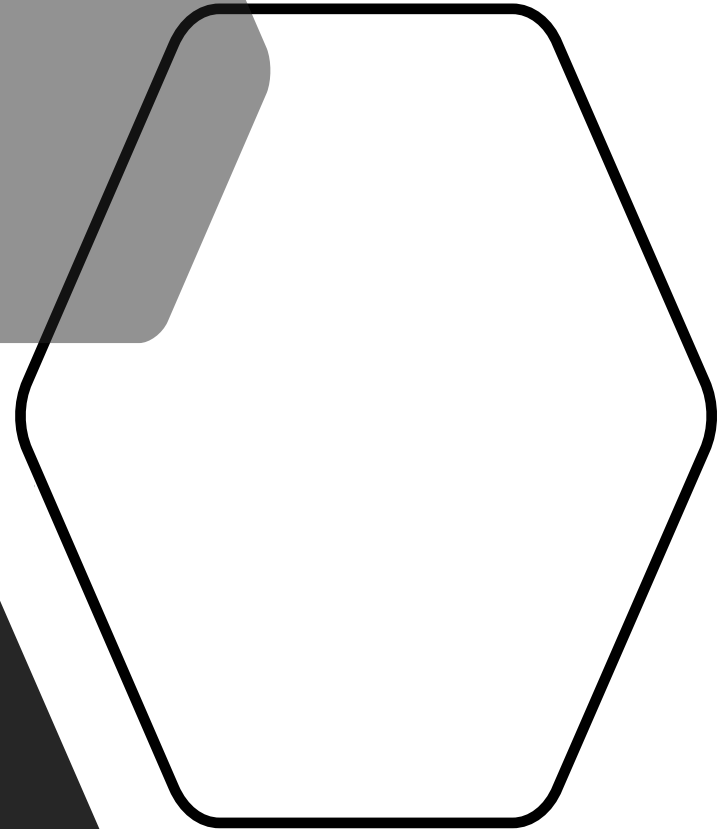
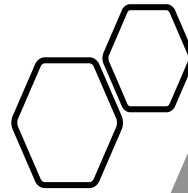
Partial increased Force to Anchor

Before M/A =

up to 2x the Load to the Anchor

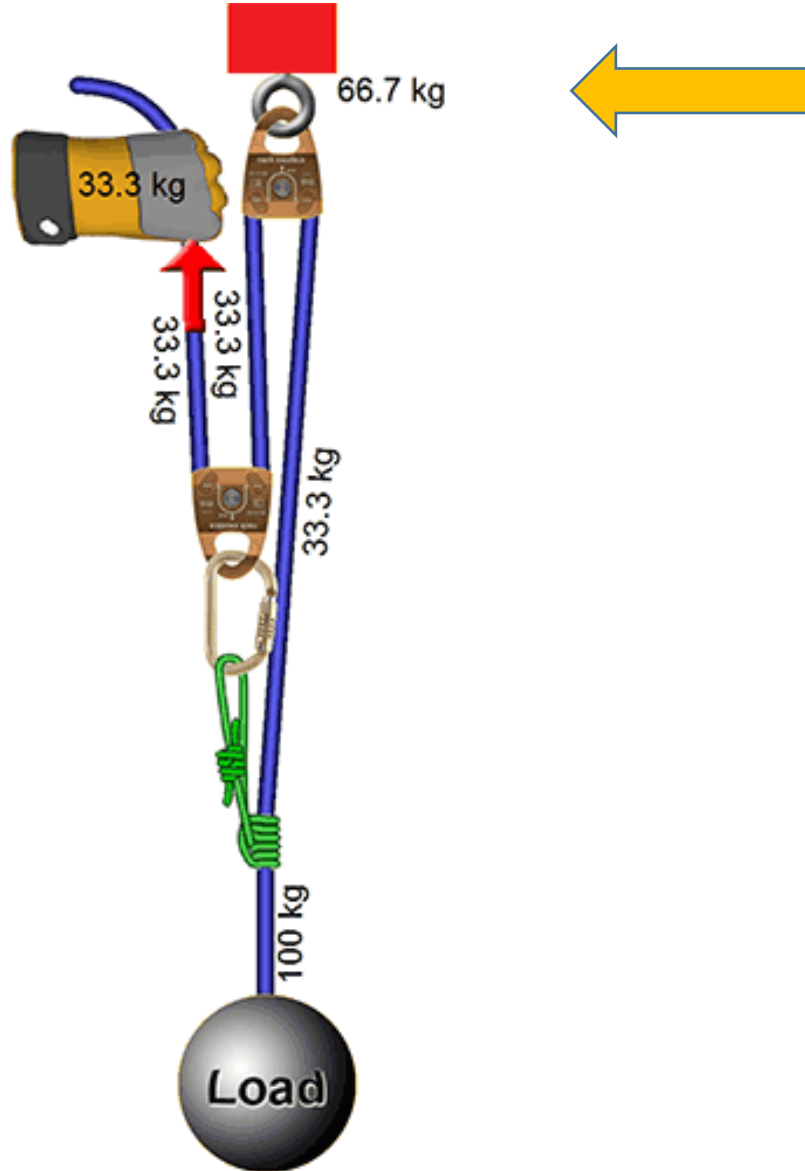
Wide Angles are Good and decrease
the amount of Force to the Anchor

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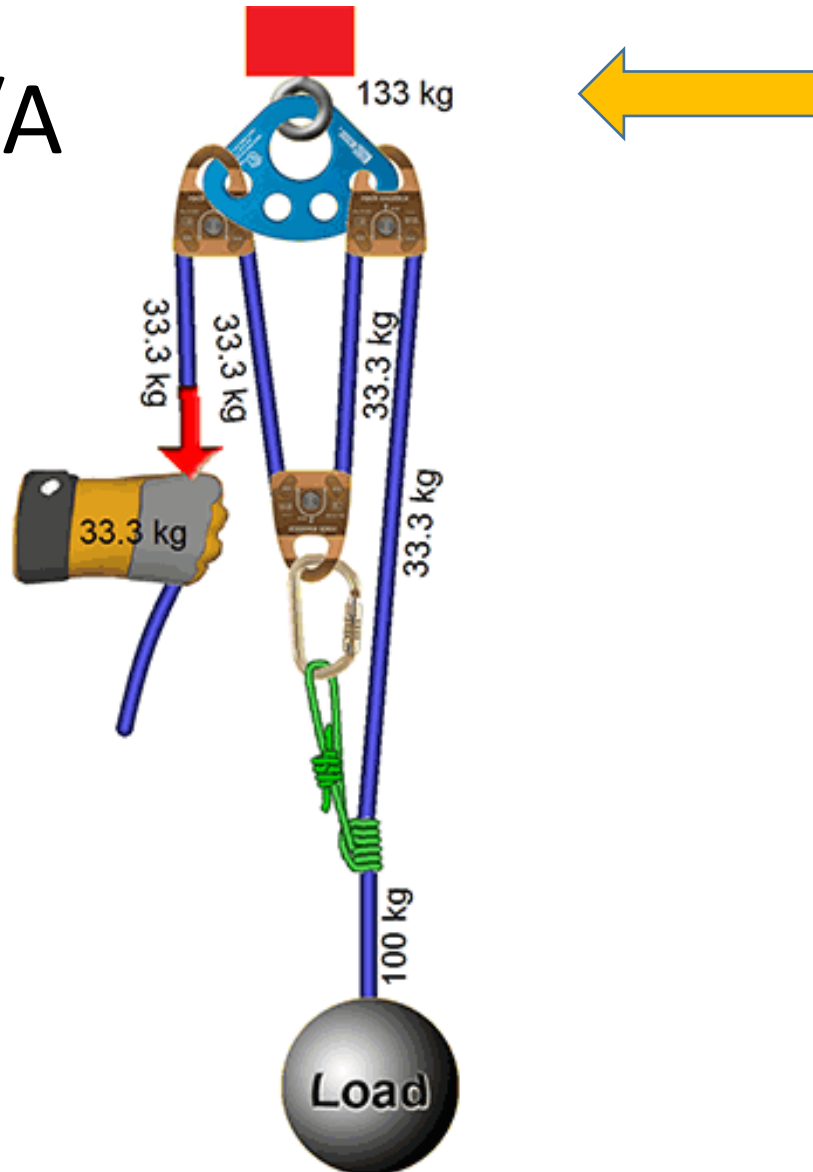


- Notice how the amount of Force at the Anchor changes based on the presence of a COD.
- See how much more Force is generated when the COD is before the M/A.
- A COD should only be used if needed.

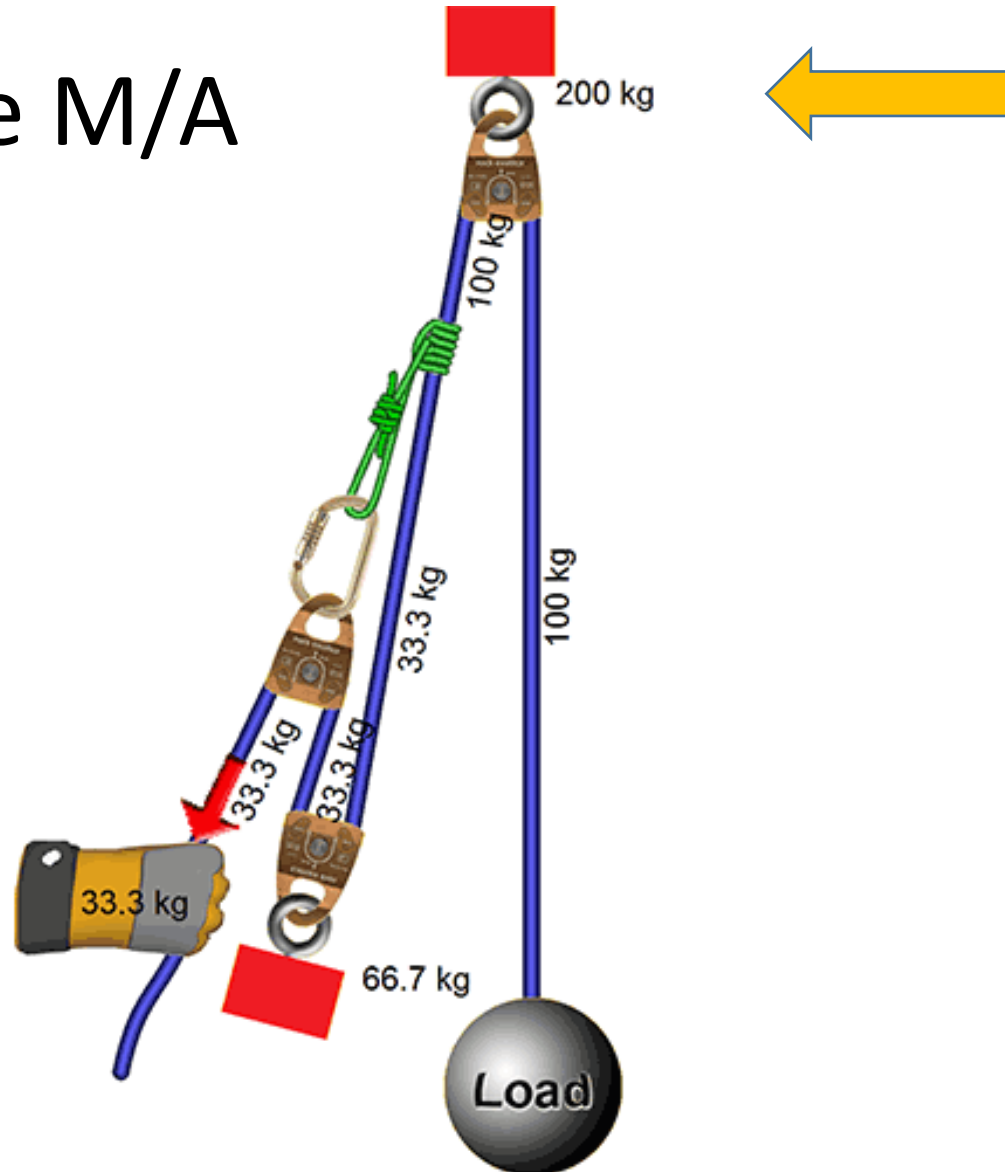
No COD



COD After M/A



COD before M/A





Critical Angle and COD Video

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Discussion Questions

- What is the Critical Angle Range?
- Why do we start the critical angle range at 30°?
- What is a negative aspect of a Change of Direction?
- What is a positive aspect of a Change of Direction?
- Do you want the COD angle to be large or small?
- Can you have more than one COD before the MA?

Discussion Questions

- What is the Critical Angle Range? **30-90**
- Why do we start the critical angle range at 30? **To compensate for swing of Load**
- What is a negative aspect of a Change of Direction? **Increase Force to Anchor**
- What is a positive aspect of a Change of Direction? **Better working room**
- Do you want the COD angle to be large or small? **Large**
- Can you have more than one COD before the MA? **Yes**



This is a Blended Class and will require the completion of Hands-On Training

The following slides are a preview of the Hands-On Training that will be covered

Anchor
Systems

Hands On

Single Point

Multi Point

Load Sharing

Self Equalizing

Hands On

Back Tie (Voodoo)

Picket System

Vehicle Anchor
(vehicles in lot)

Webbing Shorten
Technique

Let's Put It
All Together
in the Field

Anchor
Building

In a
Scenario



Post Questions
on What's App.

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Assignment

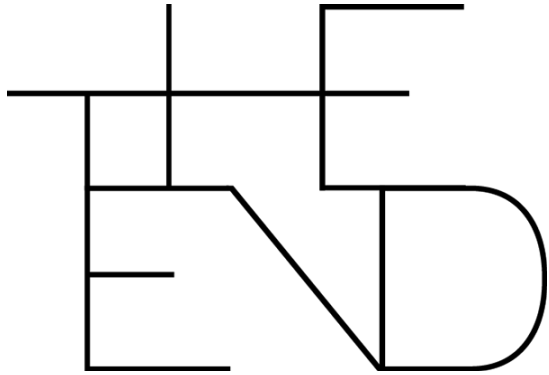
- Practice building different Anchors
- Practice the Bowline and know it solid before you use it
- Rope Challenge
 - Build a multipoint Anchor with one rope
- Attend the Animal Fire Rescue Operational Anchors Hands On Class





Let's See What You Know

- Go to the link below and answer some questions.
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsS0R6xBaLS40ZIX62MqXUpWLGHTf8qzpec4wxmZDo4rMlg/viewform?usp=sf_link
- If you get 80% correct you will get a Certificate of completion.
- You can take the Test as many times as you like.
- When you Complete the Hands-On part of the class email your Certificate to Austin for inclusion in your Task Book.



Thank You For Attending

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