Aim: How are mass and weight measured?



# Vocabulary

- Weight and mass
- •balance and spring scale
- •riders, pointer, pan, base, adjustment knob, arm





- •Ability to distinguish between mass and weight
- •Ability to use the appropriate apparatus







## **DEFINITION**

What is gravity?

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Gravity is the attraction of an object to the surface of the Earth



## Gravity and Weight:

## Weight is

The measurement of the force of gravity on an object ...





Think about it...

If the object is on the moon

then gravity is the attraction of that object to the surface of the moon.

QUESTION?

Where is gravity greater,

on Earth or the Moon?

So where would you weigh more,

On Earth or the Moon?



## FURTHER QUESTION

So, since I weigh more on Earth then on the Moon,

Just because I am on the moon,

"am I any different?"

NO - my mass stays the same!



## Question

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## Have you ever...

- Stepped on a weight scale at home and held onto something to push yourself harder on the scale so that your weight is more?
- That is increasing the force of your body, creating something like as if we were to increase the gravitational pull of the Earth. (But we didn't.)



They are all spring scales.
They measure weight.
(the force of gravity)
The \_\_\_\_\_it is Newtons





## **MASS**

is the measurement of

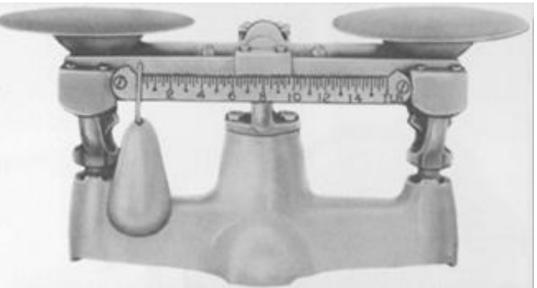
...the amount of matter an object has ...



## Question

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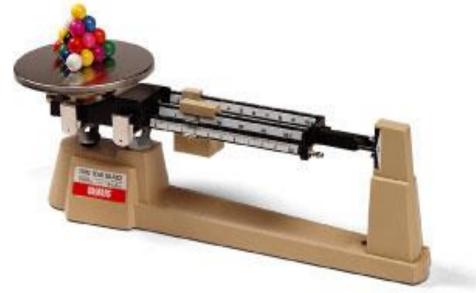
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They are all balances.

They measure mass.

(the amount of matter)

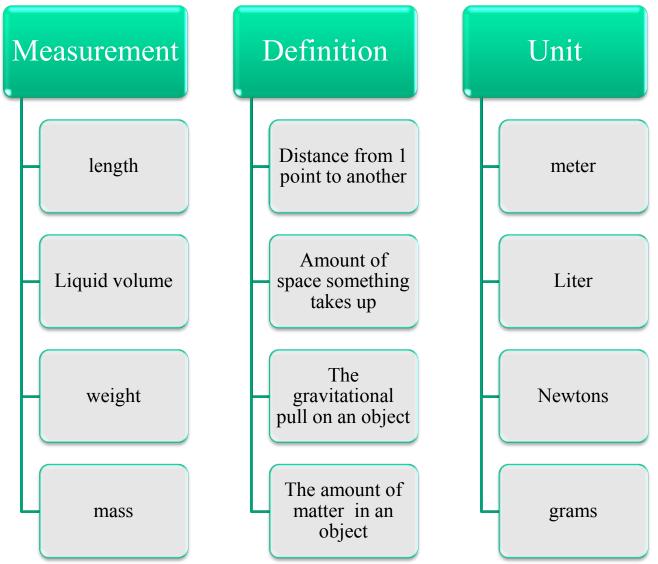
The unit is grams







## Let Organize Our Thoughts





The balance measures in kilograms and grams.





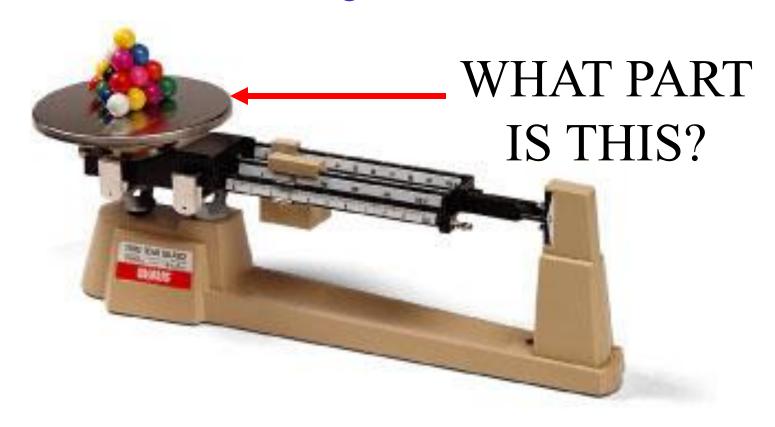
## There are 1000 g in 1 kg

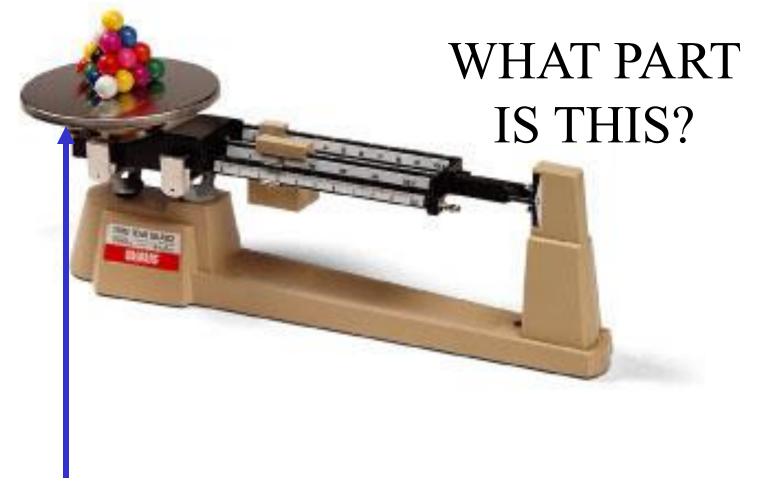




## What are the parts of a balance?

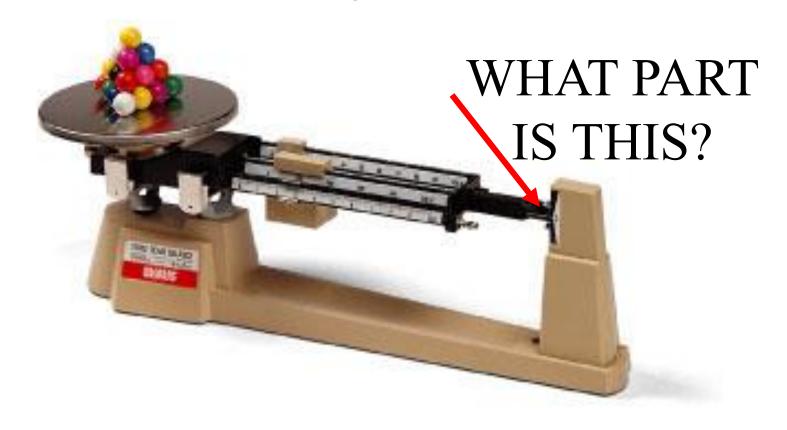


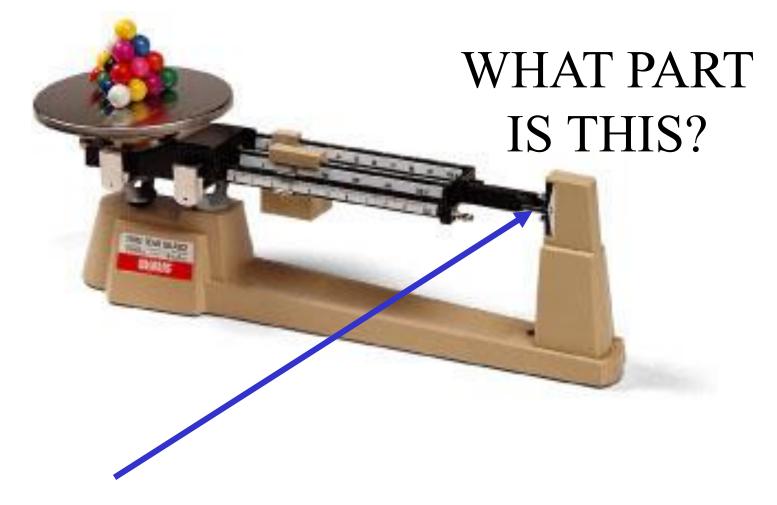




This is the pan: Objects to be massed are placed on the pan







This is the pointer: It points to ZERO when the balance is correct.





## WHAT PART IS THIS?

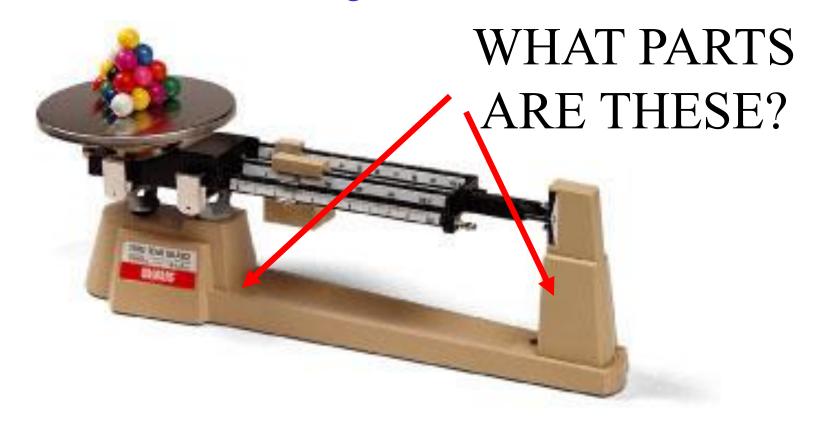


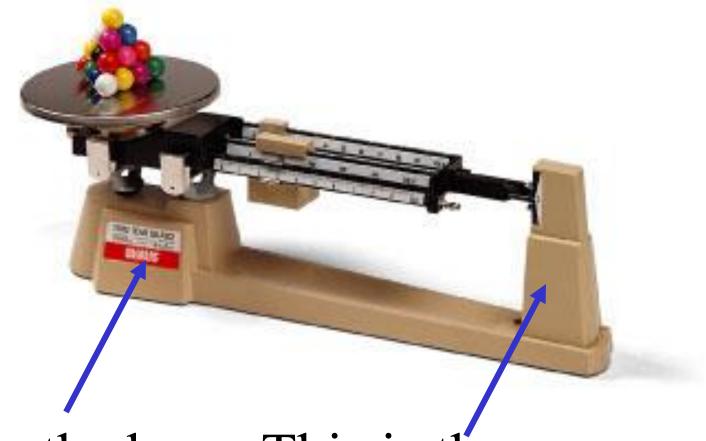


## This is the *Adjustment Knob*:

It's used to "zero the balance" and to make sure the scale is at zero.



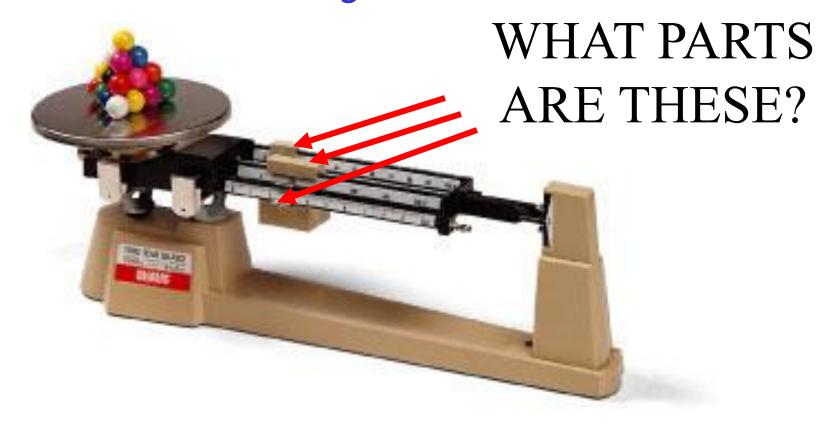


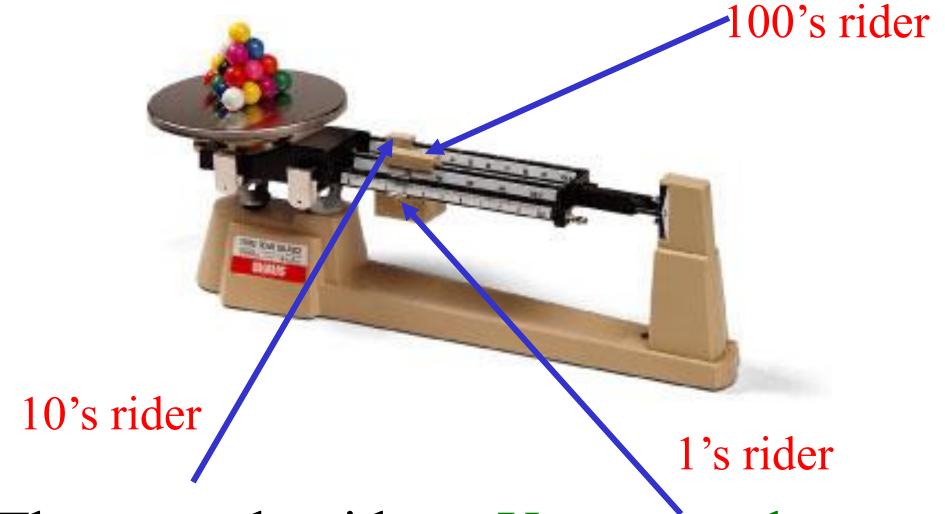


This is the base: This is the arm.

When <u>transporting the balance</u>, you hold it by the base and arm.

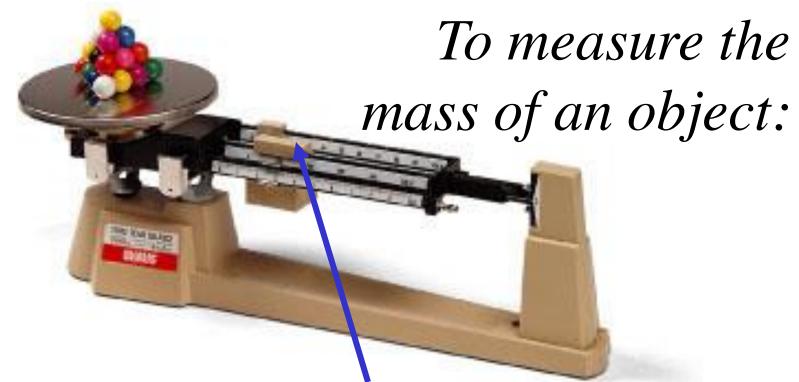




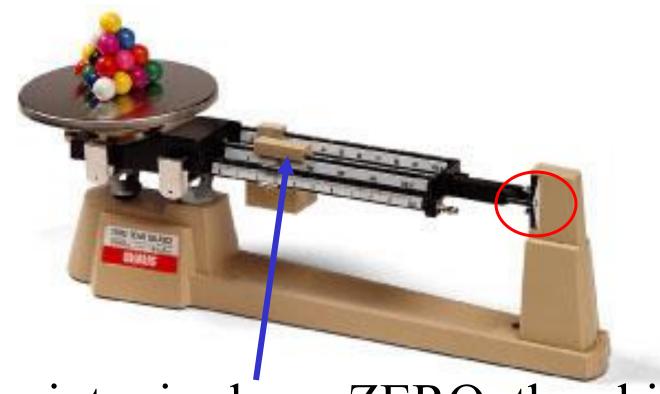


These are the riders. You move the riders to balance the pan.





First you move the 100's rider.

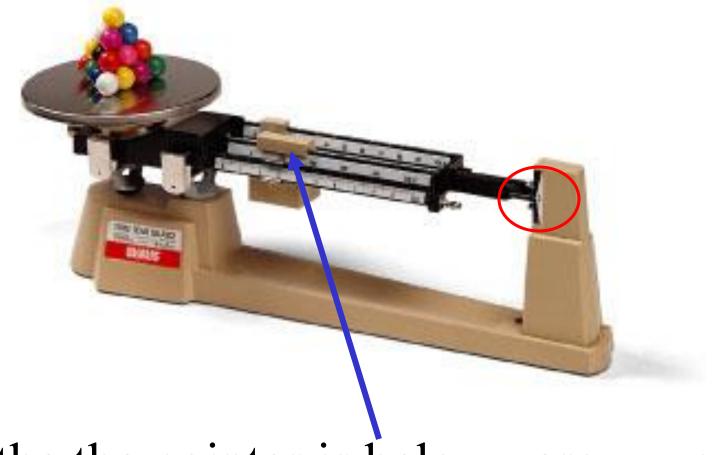


If the pointer is above ZERO, the object on the pan is more then 100 grams.

Keep moving the 100's rider up to 200, then 300, then 400 etc...



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Once the the pointer is below zero -- you know you moved the rider to far. Move it back one ... And then .... 39



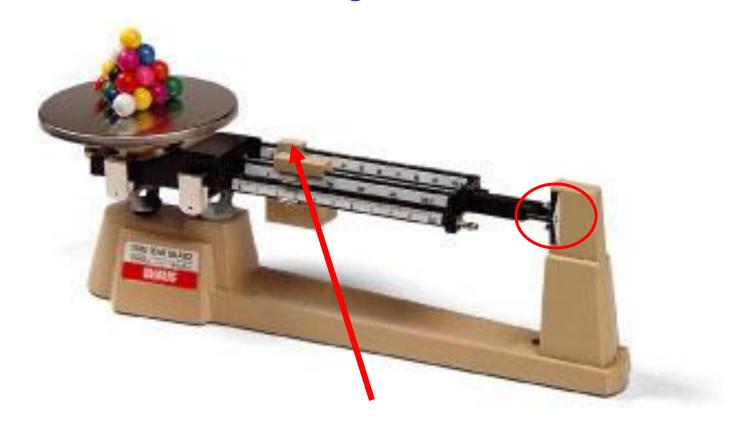


Begin to move the 10's rider.

If the pointer is still above zero, continue to move the 10's rider one unit at a time.





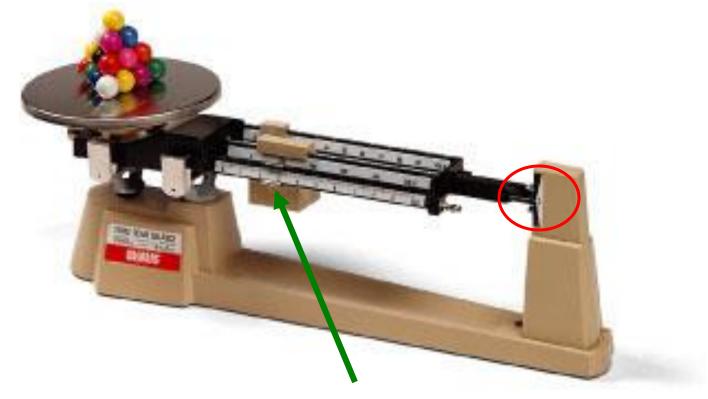


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Begin to move the 1's rider.

Continue to move the 1's rider until the pointer is pointing to ZERO.



# Three Methods of Determining Mass



# Method 1:





### Method 2:

1. When measuring the mass of liquid, you have to measure the mass of a empty container first





# Method 2:

2. Measure the container with your liquid.

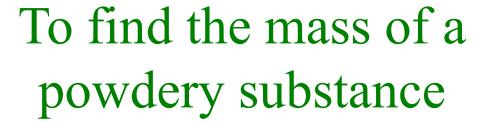


### Method 2:

3. Subtract to find the mass of the liquid without the container



### Method 3:

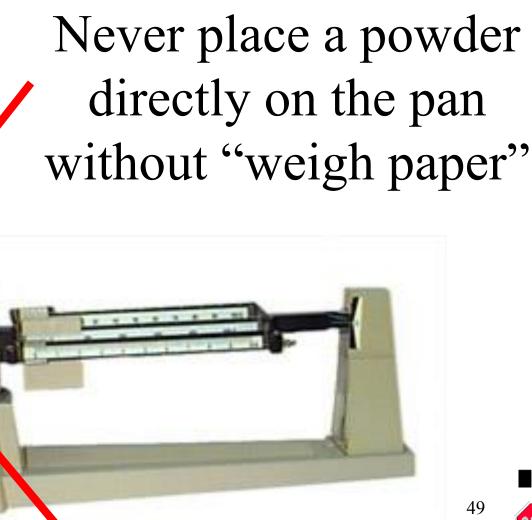








# Method 3:



### Method 3:

1. Place a piece of "weigh paper" on the pan, measure the "weigh





### Method 3:

2. Add your powder sample to the "weigh paper" and measure both.



# Method 3:

3. Subtract the paper to find the mass of your powder without the



# STORAGE

PLACE THE BALANCE BACK WITH ALL RIDERS MOVED ALL THE WAY TO THE LEFT ON ZERO







### Class Activity:

Lab: Determining Mass

Lab: Determining the mass of Water

Lab: How to Use a Balance- Lab (3 methods)





#### INTERNET WEBSITE FOR PRACTICE

http://www.ohaus.com/input/tutorials/tbb/t bbentry.swf