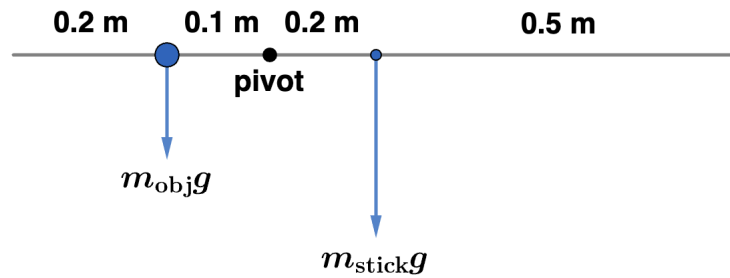


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We balance torques around the pivot point. Using the fact that the weight of the stick can be taken to act at its center, we have

$$m_{\text{obj}}g(0.1 \text{ m}) = m_{\text{stick}}g(0.2 \text{ m})$$

Solving for m_{stick} ,

$$m_{\text{stick}} = \frac{m_{\text{obj}}}{2} = \frac{50 \text{ g}}{2} = 25 \text{ g}$$

so the answer is C.