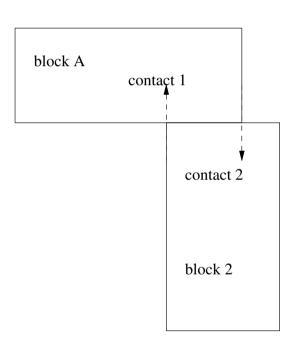
Programming Proverbs

- 25 Consider another language
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Contact resolution

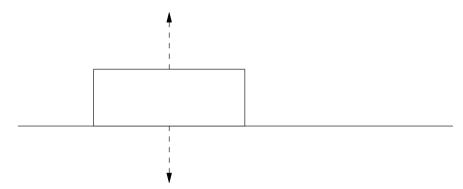
- so far in PGE we have looked at collision prediction and collision response
- we notice that while this works well when objects are moving it *breaks* when objects come to rest
 - as objects often interpenetrate

Consider various contact problems: simultaneous contacts



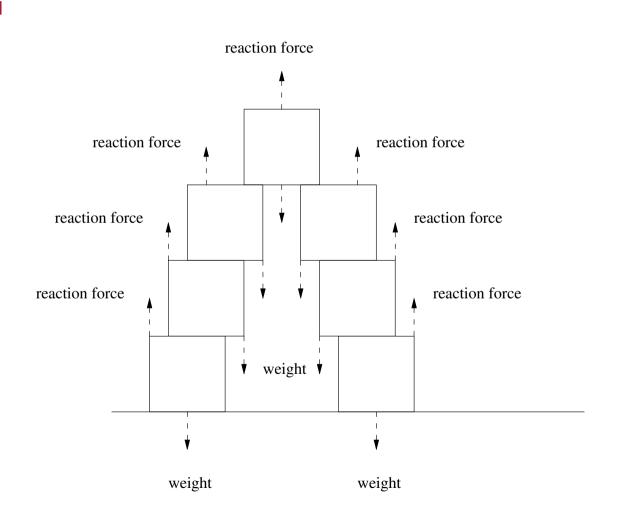
Consider various contact problems: object at rest

reaction force keeping it stationary



weight pulling block through surface

Consider various contact problems: multiple stacked objects at rest



Resolution order

- if an object has two simultaneous contacts then
- changing one of the contacts by reversing its velocity, as a reaction, might also change the reaction of the other
 - as the object moves appart
 - or it might not be enough as the other contact velocity might be larger
- to avoid this situation we resolve the most severe contact first

Resolution order

- another problem might be that resolving the second contact puts the first contact back into conflict
- fortunately it can be shown that non friction cases the looping will eventually settle to the correct answer
 - it will also work for certain friction cases

Contact resolver algorithm

```
repeat
    calculate the separating velocity of each contact, keeping track
    of the contact with the lowest value

if the lowest separating velocity is greater than or equal to zero
then
    return
else
    process the collision response algorithm for the contact with
        the lowest separating velocity (most negative)
fi
until max iterations have occurred
```

Contact resolver algorithm

- \blacksquare max number of iterations must be \ge of contacts
 - so that they all have a chance of being processed once