Since there is no evidence for change in direction of the tip of the thread, must the thread remain perpendicular to the direction of the ball? Is the Tension always perpendicular to the direction of motion of the ball? It's unclear whether Yes Probably, it's not entirely clear this assumption is true - it seems plausible, but there isn't a good A ball is attached to a pole by a string. The ball is argument for it swinging in a circle, and the pole is rotating freely, so that the part of the pole where the string is attached is always facing the ball. Now you stop the pole rotating, so the string starts wrapping around the pole. What happens to the speed of In both cases, is the effect on the Earth so small as to be imperceptible, meaning we can ignore it? (ignore effects due to gravity, and assume the ball is a point mass) Yes It remains constant It's unclear, there's an argument it speeds up and an argument it Do these arguments use similar levels of approximation? stays constant 39 Then, do the effects on the Earth provide 'some Yes evidence' (which, according to CX, must be a Does 17 prove that there are similar levels of 30 If the effects of this transfer on one of these Meta-debate: Given the questions and answers perceptible amount), about the ball? approximation for ball or the Earth? objects is imperceptibly small, is that some in this round, which is the better answer to evidence that the transfer is insignificant in No This is a misstatement question 7? These both provide general? of the CX, it is about evidence about each No Draw whether it alters your other No Yes \*credence\* by a perceptible amount