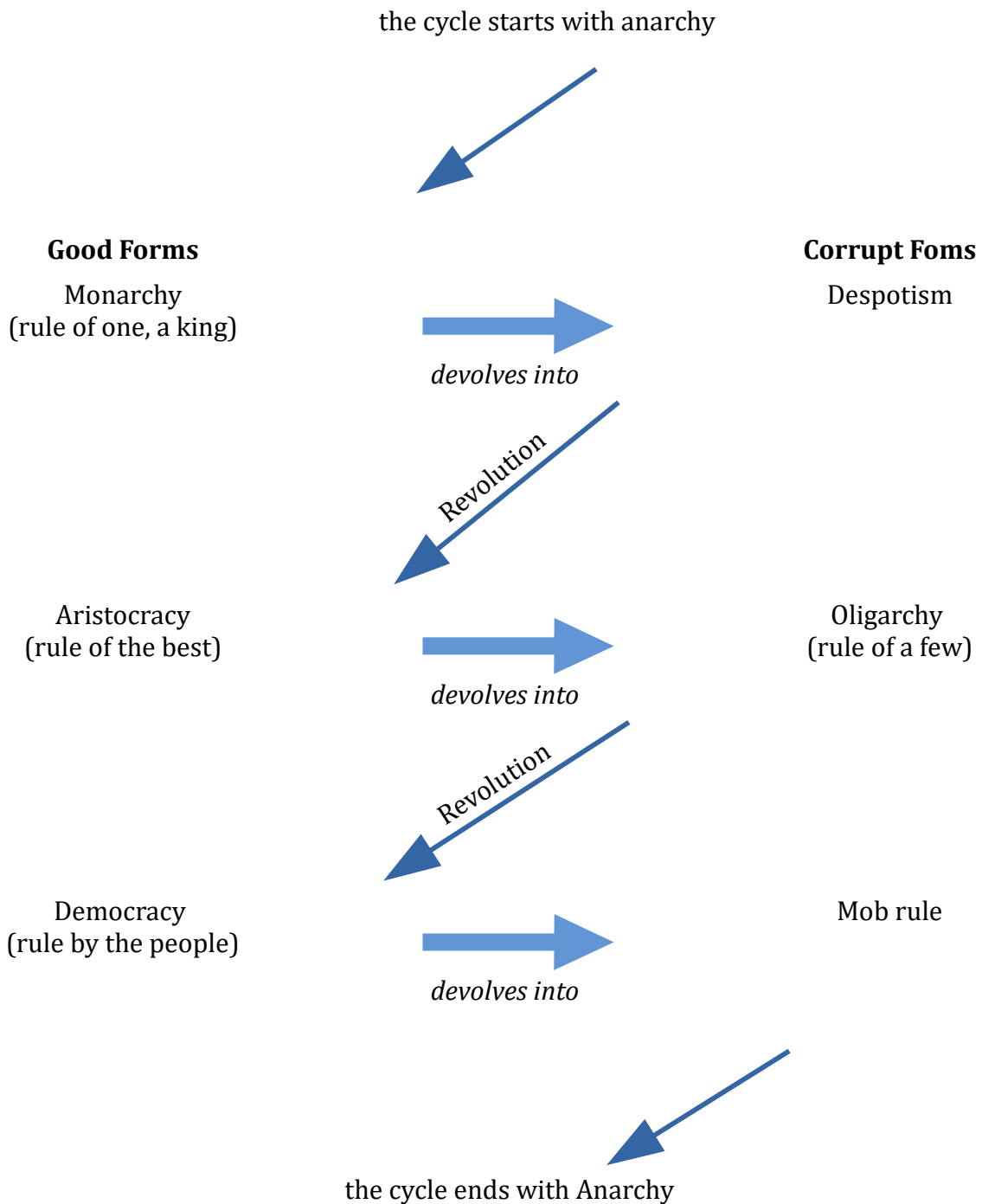


Cycle of Constitutions & the Mixed Constitution



Benefits of a Mixed Constitution

No part should become unduly predominant and be perverted into its kindred vice; and that, each power being checked by the others, no one part should turn the scale or decisively outbalance the others; but that, by being accurately adjusted and in exact equilibrium, the whole might remain long steady...

---Polybius 6.10 (M. I. Finley translation)