





Here we go! The creation of a mechanically controlled car

Test your car

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1. ORIENTATION

1.1. Research questions:

- What will be the average speed of the mechanically controlled car?
- ➤ Which changing of parameters has the best result (fastest speed)?

1.2. Hypothesis

(here you only have to make a hypothesis about question 2)

Sweden: (no changes made)

Belgium: We think the car with the smallest wheels will be faster.

2. PREPARATION

On the other document (twinspace) you see the sketches and propulsion of the car.

2.1. Parameter that will be changed:

(here you describe what you will change to the car)

Sweden: (no changes made)

Belgium: We use smaller wheels.

2.2. Method:

- 2.2.1. Let your car drive and measure the distance that is possible.
- 2.2.2. Now, for the experiment, choose a distance that is shorter then the maximum distance. Make a sign on the floor on that distance.
- 2.2.3. Let the car drive and measure the time.
- 2.2.4. Calculate the average speed.
- 2.2.5. Repeat this three times.
- 2.2.6. Now, change a parameter and repeat the whole experiment.

3. DATA ANALYSIS and DISCUSSION

3.1. Observations and Measurements:

	DISTANCE (m)	TIME (s)	AVERAGE SPEED
			(m/s)
1	0,60	1,86	0,32
2	0,60	1,96	0,31
3	0,60	2,43	0,25

Changing of a parameter: We used smaller wheels.

	DISTANCE (m)	TIME (s)	AVERAGE SPEED
			(m/s)
1	0,60	1,55	0,39
2	0,60	1,46	0,41
3	0,60	1,64	0,37

	DISTANCE (m)	TIME (s)	AVERAGE SPEED
			(m/s)
1	0,30	0,63	0,047
2	0,49	0,73	0,05
3	1,12	1,01	0,5

4. REFLECTION

4.1.Conclusion: (here you discuss when the car drives fastest with or without changing)

Belgium: The car drives faster with changing. It works better with small wheels.

4.2. Comparison of the results of the different countries:

The Belgian car drives faster.