

Classical Background

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Equipment List

Energy Diagrams I

For each group of students:

- 1 Hot Wheels style car
- 1 meter plastic track for the car
- 1 short bar magnet to mount on top of the car
- 4 ceramic magnets with poles on the faces
- 4 L-shaped brackets

Sources

Toy stores and hardware stores.

Instructions

The ceramic magnets will stay on the L-shaped brackets. The brackets must be held in place so they will not move. Three options are possible:

1. Tape the brackets to the table.
2. Place a thin steel sheet on the table and thin ceramic magnets on 1/2 of the "L."
The track sits on top of the sheet.
3. Place carpeting on the table and a strip of the hook part of Velcro on 1/2 of the "L."
The track sits on top of the carpet.

The bar magnet must be attached to the roof of the car by tape or Velcro.

See Figure 4 in the InGagement for the arrangement of equipment

Energy Diagrams II

For each group of students:

- 1 - low friction track or air track
- 1 - car or glider for above
- 2 - springs to connect the glider or cart to the ends of the track
- 2 - pieces of soft foam to attach to the bumpers at the end of the track
- 1 - computerized data acquisition system with a force probe and range finder

See Figures 3 through 6 in this InGagement for the arrangements used with this equipment.

Classical Probability

For classroom demonstration on setup, as shown in Figure 2, a low friction track, cart or glider and two springs is useful.

For each group, video analysis software such as VideoPoint or VidShell is needed. VideoPoint is available from Pasco (<http://www2.pasco.com/products/scripts/products.taf?function=allproducts&catsection=Software>). VidShell can be downloaded at no charge from <http://webphysics.tec.nh.us/vidshell/clips.html>.

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