



Exploring Mars

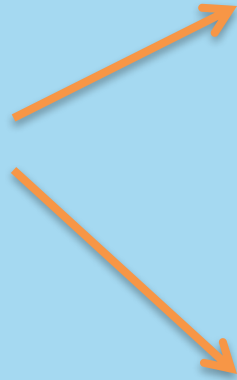
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Gears and Wheels

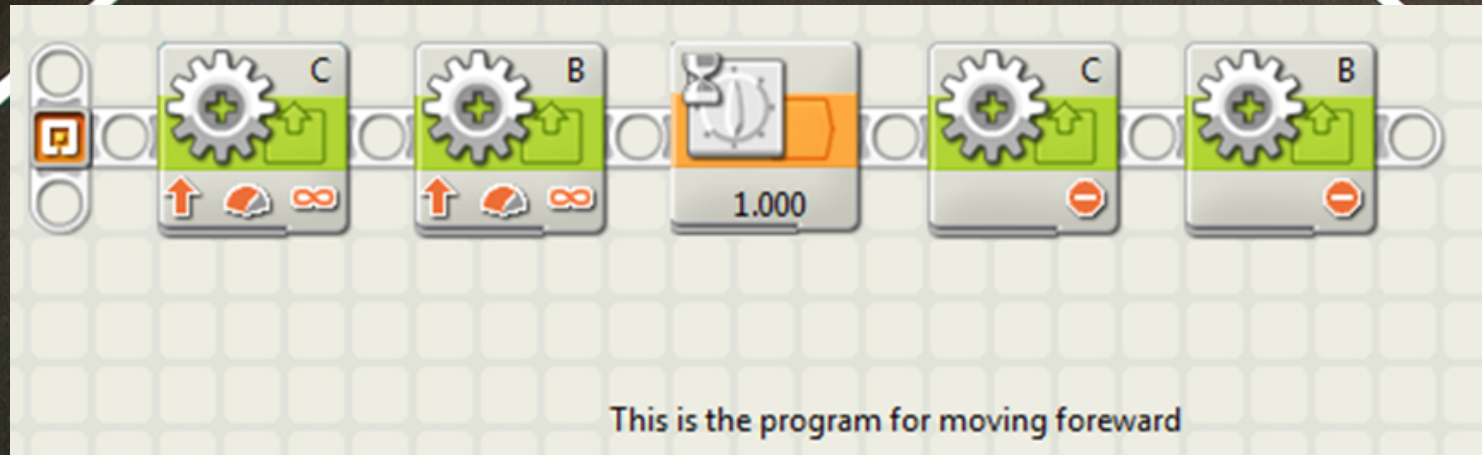
- Originally had 16 teeth gear on the motor and wheel axel for each side
- Modification:
 - Wheel axel – 20 teeth gear
 - Motor axel – 12 teeth gear
- More power to traverse the inclined area
- Standard wheels



Picture of Gears and Wheels



Foreword Program

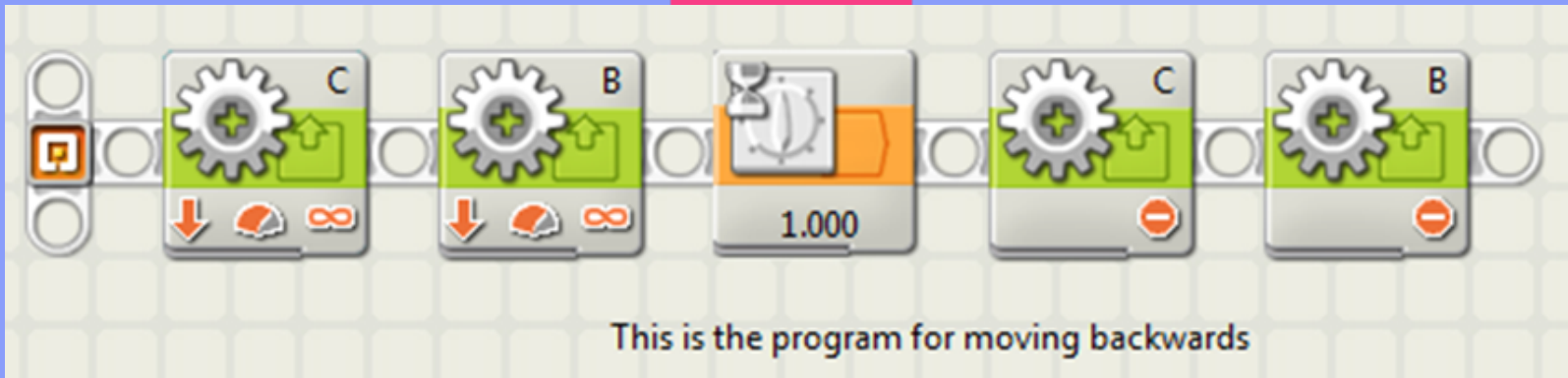


Forward

- **Block 1:** a motor block that starts motor connected to port C that moves continuously → turns wheel forward
- **Block 2:** another motor block that starts motor connected to port B that move continuously → turns wheel forward
- **Wheels turn simultaneously**
- **Block 3:** controls amount of time motors are on for (in this case 10 seconds)
- **10 seconds = 6 feet**
- **Power level = 90%**
- **Block 4:** a motor block that stops motor connected to port C
- **Block 5:** another motor block that stops motor connected to port B



Backward Program




Backward

- **Block 1:** a motor block that starts motor connected to port C moves continuously → turns wheel backwards
- **Block 2:** a motor block that starts motor connected to port B moves continuously → turns wheels backwards
- **Wheels turn simultaneously**
- **Power level = 75%**
- **Block 3:** tells robot to stop after 10 seconds
- **Amount of time can be changed**
- **Block 4:** a motor block that stops motor connected to port C
- **Block 5:** another motor block that stops motor connected to port B
- **Wheels stop simultaneously**




Turn Programs



This is the program for turning clockwise

The image shows a sequence of five LEGO Mindstorms blocks on a grey grid background. From left to right: 1. A square button block with a square icon. 2. A gear block with a green background, a gear icon, a plus sign, and a house icon, labeled 'C' in the top right and a red minus sign in the bottom right. 3. A gear block with a green background, a gear icon, a plus sign, and a house icon, labeled 'B' in the top right, a red downward arrow, a red fan icon, and a gear icon in the bottom. 4. A gear block with an orange background, a gear icon, a question mark, and a house icon, labeled 'B' in the top right, a red downward arrow, and a gear icon in the bottom. 5. A gear block with a green background, a gear icon, a plus sign, and a house icon, labeled 'C' in the top right and a red minus sign in the bottom right. 6. A gear block with a green background, a gear icon, a plus sign, and a house icon, labeled 'B' in the top right and a red minus sign in the bottom right.



This is the program for turning counter clockwise

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Turns

Clockwise Turn:

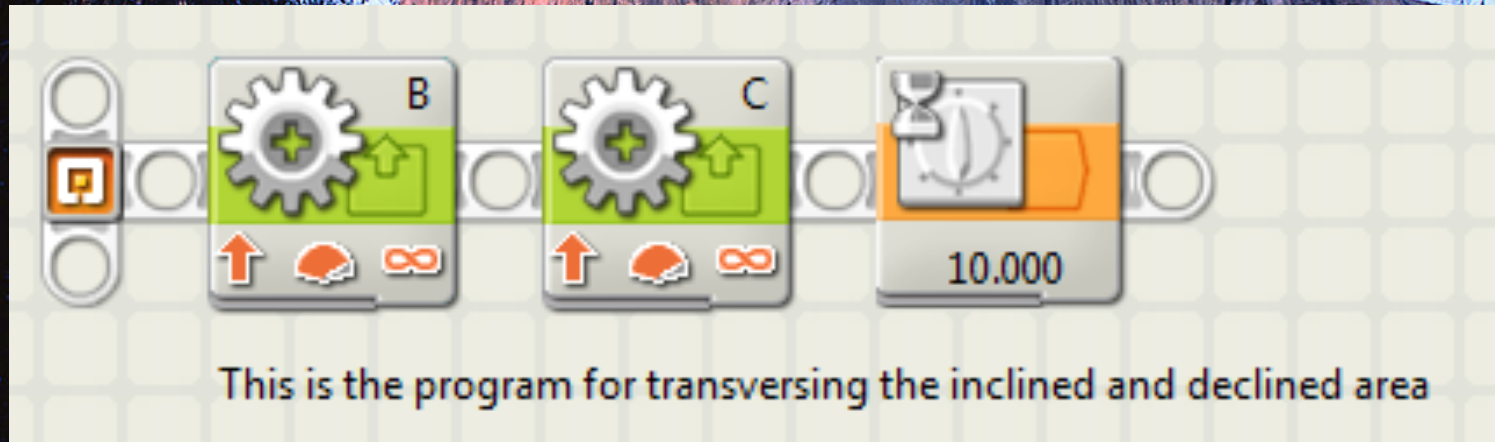
- **Back wheel pivots → turns clockwise**
- **Block 1: a motor block that stops motor connected to port C**
- **Block 2: another motor block that starts motor connected to port B → wheel rotates**
- **Can change the amount of degrees robot turns**
- **Block 3: a wait block that causes the robot to wait until it has completed the programmed turn**
- **Block 4: a motor block that stops motor connected to port C**
- **Block 5: another motor block that stops motor connected to port B**

Counter Clockwise:

- **Back wheel pivots → turns wheel counterclockwise**
- **Block 1: a motor block that stops motor connected to port B**
- **Block 2: another motor block that starts motor connected to port C → wheel rotates**
- **Can change the amount of degrees robot turns**
- **Block 3: a wait block that causes the robot to wait until it has completed the programmed turn**
- **Block 4: a motor block that stops motor connected to port C**
- **Block 5: another motor block that stops motor connected to port B**



Inclined Area Program

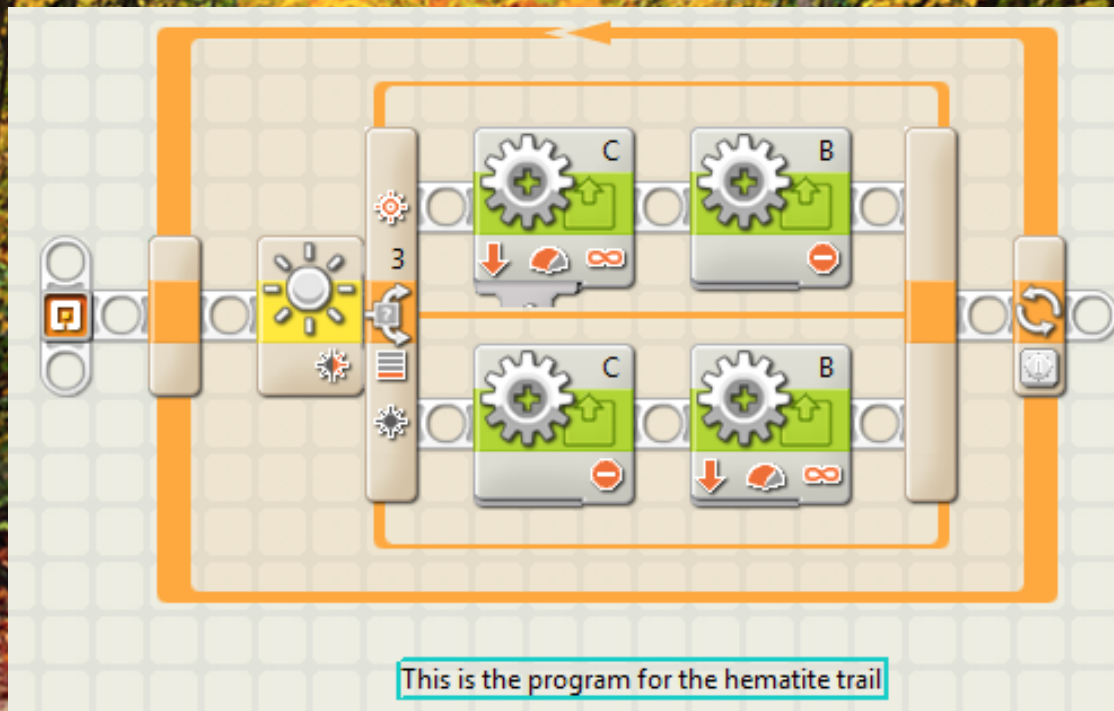


Inclined Area

- **Block 1: a motor block starts motor connected to port B with 100% power**
- **Block 2: another motor block starts motor connected to port C with 100% power**
- **Changed power level**
- **Block 3: both motors run for 10 seconds**
- **Program doesn't change for the declined area**



Hematite Trail Program

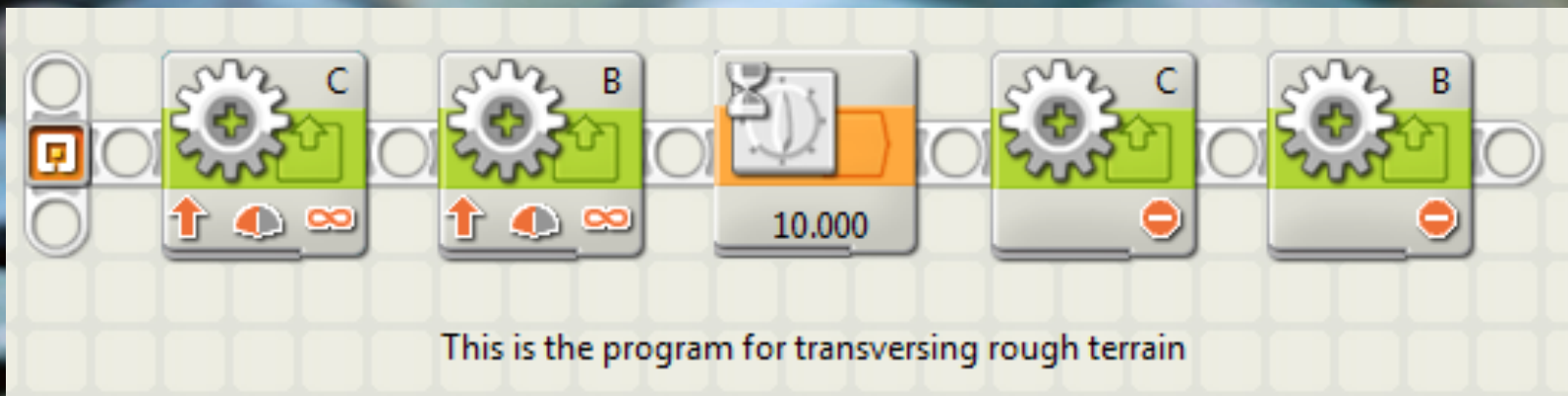


Hematite trail

- **Block 1: a motor block with 90% power that starts motor connected to port C**
- **Block 2: another motor block that stops motor connected to port B**
- **Allows wheels to follow trail**
- **Program repeats itself for 60 seconds**
- **Block 3: another motor block that stops motor connected to port C**
- **Block 4: a motor block with 90% power that starts motor connected to port B**



Rough Terrain Program

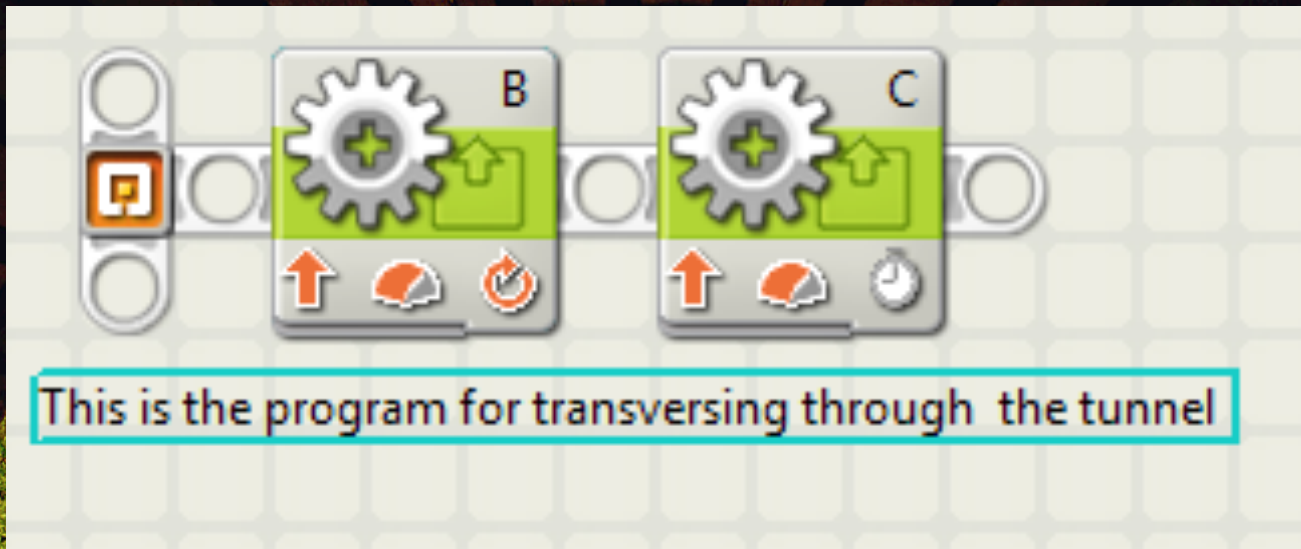


Rough Terrain

- **Block 3:** controls the amount of time the motors run – 10 seconds
- **Block 1:** a motor block starts motor connected to port C with 100% power
- **Block 2:** another motor block starts motor connected to port B with 100% power
- In 10 seconds, the robot travels approximately 6 feet
- Rough Terrain is 3 feet long – we chose 10 seconds (6 feet) because when the robot traverses the rough terrain it moves slowly
- **Block 4:** a motor block stops motor connected to port C



Tunnel Program

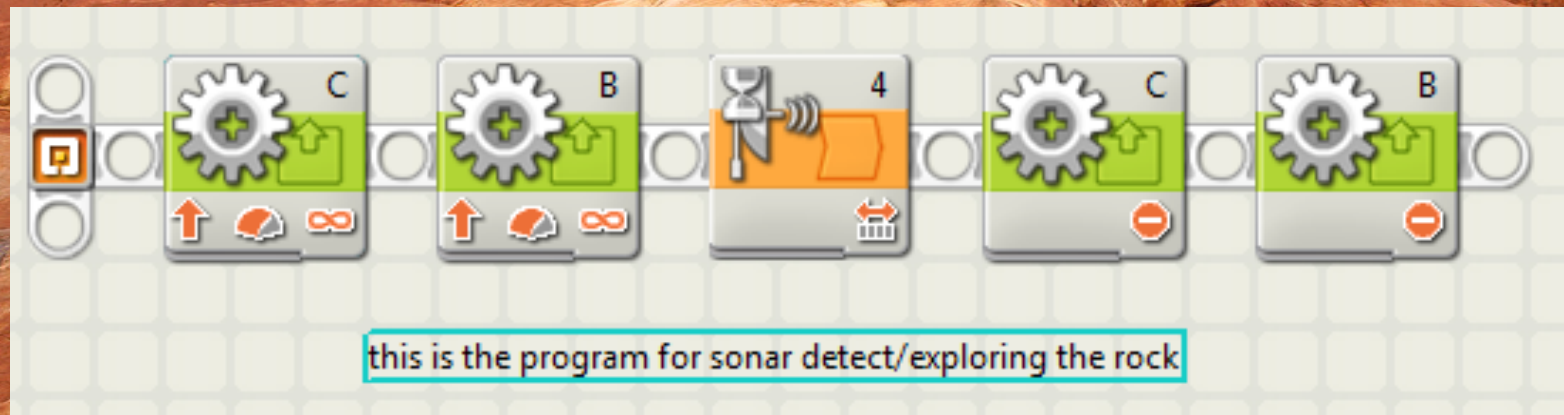


Tunnel

- **Block 1: a motor block that starts motor connected to port B**
- **Block 2: another motor block that starts motor connected to port C**
- **Power level = 75%**
- **Wheels stop after traveling for 6 seconds**



Touch Sensor Program

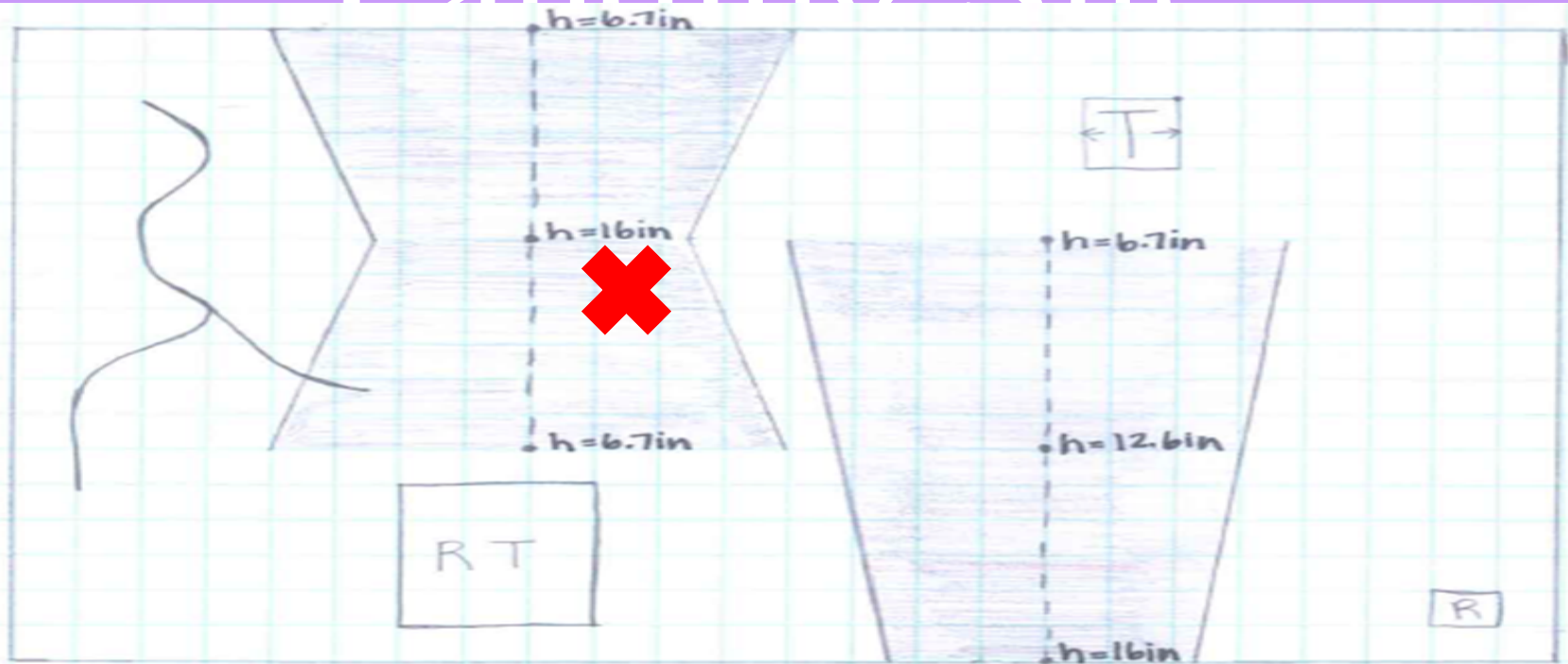


Touch Sensor

- **Block 1:** a motor block starts motor connected to port C
- **Block 2:** another motor block starts motor connected to port B
- **Wheels move forward simultaneously**
- **Power level = 90%**
- **Block 3:** a sensor block using an ultrasonic sensor attached to the robot, senses when an object is less than 6 centimeters in front of it
- **Block 4:** a motor block that stops motor connected to port C
- **Block 5:** another motor block that stops motor connect to port B
- **Block 4 and block 5 are activated to stop when the robot is**



Map of Mars and Landing Site



Key

\square = If+

--- = peak of ridge

$\leftarrow T \rightarrow$ Tunnel, arrows indicate entrances

\square R Rock

λ = hemmatite trail

\square RT = rough terrain

\blacksquare = inclined area



Test Simulations

- **Rough terrain-** we spread rocks out on a floor to test how much power we would need to move through them in various situations
- **Inclined/declined area-** we used the map of mars to measure the length and height of the area and placed books and boxes under the mat to duplicate what it would be like on mars
- **Hematite trail-** we used the hematite trail provided and tested how long it would take the robot to follow it at a constant power
- **Tunnel-** we aligned chairs slightly smaller in width than the tunnel represented on the map of mars and had our robot move through it
- **Rock** - we used an object to represent the rock and



On Mars

- **Sites completed: 1.5**
- **Time: 20 minutes**
- **Alterations: distance for forward and backward programs and the degrees we needed to turn**





Video of Robot on Mars

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