Model Solution Criteria

Processed water should be visibly clear with very little observable pollution.
 At least 9/10 of the water processed in each run should be cleared.

Model Solution Constraints

Each model solution must be built with at least three different materials.

- Only certain amounts of each material can be used in each model.
- Each processing run must start with 100 mL of polluted water and must be completed within 5 minutes.

Model Testing Conditions

Quick test: Take 5 seconds to pour a water sample into your model.
Slow test: Take 10 seconds to pour a water sample into your model.





Graphing Your Test Results



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Share Your Test Results

- How did the materials in your model work together to solve the problem?
- How well did your model meet the criteria for success?
- How did the material limits impact your design?
- What failure points did you observe?
- How would your solution work within Earth's systems to
 - Clear polluted water?
 - Help protect drinking water during future flooding events?

