Gear ratio:

The solar cell will supply I and U:

$$I = Isc - Is(e^{\frac{U}{m.N.Ur}} - 1)$$

So if we want the max power:

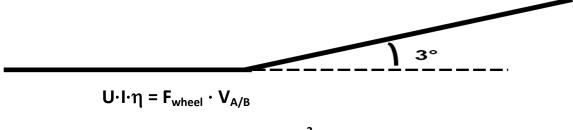
$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{I}$$

I have caculated it by maple14.

$$\mathbf{I}=\mathbf{0.93A}$$

Pmax = 7W

Therefore:



 $T_{wheel} = 8.55 \cdot 70\% \cdot I \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot n \qquad (n \text{ is the gear ratio})$  $T_{wheel} = F_{wheel} \cdot R_{wheel}$  $S = \frac{1}{2} a \cdot t^2 = \frac{1}{2} V_{A/B} \cdot t_{A/B} \qquad (S = 6 \text{ m, at point A/B})$ 

$$F \cdot t = m \cdot \Delta V \rightarrow (F_{wheel} - F_{rolling}) \cdot t_{A/B} = m \cdot V_{A/B}$$

Estimate the weight of the car (m) and the radius of the wheel  $(R_{wheel})$ .

Taking m = 0.75kg,  $R_{wheel} = 0.04$ m,  $F_{rolling}$  can be calculated by

 $Fr = C_{rr} \times N$ 

N is the normal force

## C<sub>rr</sub> is the rolling resistance coefficient

C<sub>rr</sub> = 0.015

U = 7.56V; I = 0.93A;  $\eta$  = 70%; S = 6m

## So we calculate it by maple14:

 $eq1 := 7 \cdot 0.7 = Fwheel \cdot Vab$ 

4.9 = Fwheel Vab

 $eq2 := Twheel = 5.985 \cdot 0.001 \cdot n \cdot 0.9272$ 

Twheel = 0.0055492920 n

 $eq5 := Twheel = Fwheel \cdot 0.04$ 

*Twheel* = 0.04 *Fwheel* 

 $eq3 := 6 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot Vab \cdot t$ 

$$6 = \frac{1}{2} Vab t$$

 $eq4 := (Fwheel - 0.1104) \cdot t = 0.75 \cdot Vab$ 

$$(Fwheel - 0.1104) t = 0.75 Vab$$

simplify(solve({ eq1, eq2, eq3, eq4, eq5}, [Vab, n, t, Fwheel, Twheel]))

$$\begin{split} & [[Vab = 4.142427119, n = 8.526359055, t = 2.896852414, Fwheel \\ & = 1.182881402, Twheel = 0.04731525609], [Vab = -2.071213560 \\ & - 3.825725660 I, n = -3.865290932 + 7.139554796 I, t = \\ & -1.313242534 + 2.425682101 I, Fwheel = -0.5362407012 \\ & + 0.9904868579 I, Twheel = -0.02144962805 \\ & + 0.03961947432 I], [Vab = -2.071213560 + 3.825725660 I, n = \\ & -3.865290932 - 7.139554796 I, t = -1.313242534 \\ & - 2.425682101 I, Fwheel = -0.5362407012 - 0.9904868579 I, \\ Twheel = -0.02144962805 - 0.03961947432 I]] \end{split}$$

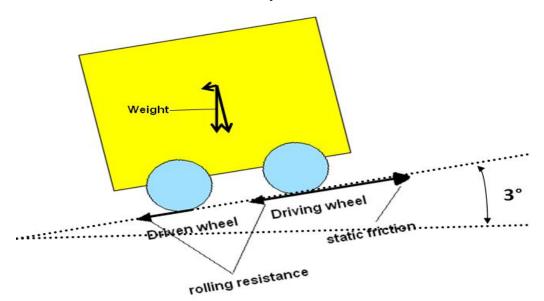
Now we get:

$$V_{max} = 4.142 \frac{m}{s}$$
$$n = 8.53$$
$$F_{wheel} = 1.183N$$
$$T_{wheel} = 0.0473N \cdot m$$

When the car gets max velocity, it will take t.

t = 2.897s

When our car arrives at the slope:



On the slope

**Total resistant force:** 

Rolling resistance; Part of the weight;

Air resistance (neglected)

 $F_r = F_{rolling} + mg \cdot sin(3^\circ) \approx 0.4953N$ 

Thus, On the slope F<sub>wheel</sub> > F<sub>r</sub>

 $F_{wheel} = F_r = 0.4953N \rightarrow T_{wheel}$ , gear ratio i is known

 $\rightarrow$  I (current)  $\rightarrow$  solar panel U-I graph  $\rightarrow$  U

 $\rightarrow$  U·I· $\eta$  = F<sub>wheel</sub> · V  $\rightarrow$  V<sub>slope</sub> = 4.77 m/s

V<sub>final</sub> ≈ 3.66 m/s

In this case,  $V_{\text{A/B}}$  and  $V_{\text{final}}$  are almost equal

So t<sub>slope</sub> < 8m/ V<sub>A/B</sub> ≈ 1.813s

 $t_{total} \approx t_{A/B} + t_{slope} = 2.897 + 1.813 = 4.71s$