

# Castor, Camber and King Pin Inclination – SD-1.57



Students often experience difficulty in understanding the principles of front wheel set-up on road vehicles, since the geometry involves angles in three dimensions.

This apparatus shows precisely how castor, camber and king pin inclination are set up and how centre point steering is achieved.

A wheel and means of altering the offset are included so that everything affecting centre point steering can be varied. Vernier scales measure the castor angles and king pin inclination, while toe in and camber angles are measured from a longitudinal and vertical datum in the way in which they would be determined on a real vehicle.

A hand driven rotating turntable simulates a rolling road, and may be turned at a slow enough speed to study wheel stability under running conditions.

### Experimental content

- ▶ To show how castor, camber and king pin inclination are set up
- ▶ To show how the steering linkage is related to toe-in
- ▶ To demonstrate the effect of wheel offset
- ▶ To observe the dynamic stability of the wheel under running conditions
- ▶ To measure the forces on the steering link
- ▶ To show how the weight of the car affects self centring

### Related laws

- ▶ Automotive
- ▶ King Pin inclination
- ▶ Toe in, toe out
- ▶ Geometry
- ▶ Castor angle
- ▶ Steering
- ▶ Vernier scale
- ▶ Cornering forces

### Requirements

### Scale



### Features / benefits

- ▶ Bench top unit simulating vehicle front steering arrangement
- ▶ Very visual unit
- ▶ Rolling road can be turned manually
- ▶ Variation of Castor, Camber, King Pin Inclination
- ▶ Accurate adjustment using protractors and flexible joints
- ▶ Many adjustments can be made to vary results

### Overall dimensions

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Length   | 0.500m             |
| Width  | 0.400m             |
| Height   | 0.370m             |
| <b>Packed and crated shipping specifications</b> |                    |
| Volume   | 0.24m <sup>3</sup> |
| Gross weight                                     | 33kg               |

### BENCH TOP UNIT SIMULATING VEHICLE FRONT STEERING ARRANGEMENT



### Technical specification

- ▶ Ø250mm Running wheel
- ▶ Ø380mm Turntable
- ▶ ±5° Vernier scale
- ▶ ±40° Protractor scale

### Ordering specification

- ▶ 1 x SD-1.57 assembly
- ▶ 1 x Combination spanner
- ▶ Hex wrench
- ▶ Packing list
- ▶ Test sheet

### Ordering codes

- ▶ **SD-1.57** Castor, Camber and King Pin Inclination