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<b>Project Title</b> <b>Rocket Fuel Grains</b>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Abstract</b></p> <p><b>Objectives/Goals</b> the objective of my experiment was to determine the effects of the rocket fuel grain on the thrust provided over time</p> <p><b>Methods/Materials</b> For the experiment I used a hybrid rocket which consumed polyvinyl chloride and oxygen as fuel. To measure the force provided I allowed the rocket to push against an electronic scale and recorded the results.</p> <p><b>Results</b> In my experiment I tested 4 fuel patterns the single and double port fuel grains began with little power and slowly built up to a more powerful burn the other two fuel grains did not fire properly</p> <p><b>Conclusions/Discussion</b> In conclusion in my experiment I have determined the burn pattern of two fuel grain types and also determined that the other two cores tested began with enough force to stop the flow of oxidizer due to the back pressure</p>	
<b>Summary Statement</b> the focus was to determine the effects of the rocket fuel grain on the thrust provided over time	
<b>Help Received</b> metal donated by frc robotics team 3925	