

KOGW-PM-KNP: Exercise 1

Questions - Runeson's Planimeter

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Read the paper on smart perceptual mechanisms by Runeson and answer the following questions.

1. Explain, in your own words, the difference between perception and cognition, using the concept of a "smart" mechanism [1]? Begin with a basic description of how the planimeter works [1]. Include an example of a discovered smart mechanism [1].
2. Name two properties that Runeson identifies as definitive for smart mechanisms [2]?
3. What is the "principle of equal simplicity" [2]?
4. Name two areas of psychology (besides perception) in which smart mechanisms apply [2]:
5. Invent a smart mechanism that could improve on our everyday perception [1].

Maximum marks 10/10