4.1 SPEED

The term speed describes how quickly something moves.

•Speed = Distance / Time

 The units for speed are distance units over time units.

AVERAGE SPEED

 When you divide the total distance of a trip by the time taken you get the average speed.

 On this driving trip around Chicago, the car traveled and average of 100 km/h.



INSTANTANEOUS SPEED

 The instantaneous speed is the *actual* speed an object has at any moment.

• A speedometer shows a car's *instantaneous* speed.

