

# Learning and Simulating Projectile Motion: Part I

TRY TO ENTER THE ANSWER YOU **EXPECT** BEFORE ACTUALLY RUNNING THE **SIMULATION!**

1. (a) Do you EXPECT the horizontal distance (Range) an object flies to depend on its mass?

EXPECTATION:      Yes          No

SIMULATION:      Yes          No

2. Do you EXPECT a Buick car to fly longer or shorter distance than a golf ball given the same initial speeds and launch angles?

EXPECTATION:      Longer      Shorter      Same

SIMULATION:      Longer      Shorter      Same

3. Do you EXPECT the vertical distance an object flies (Maximum Height) to be dependent on its mass?

EXPECTATION:      Yes          No

SIMULATION:      Yes          No

1. Do you EXPECT a Buick car to climb up higher or lower than a golf ball given the same initial speeds and launch angles?

EXPECTATION:      Longer      Shorter      Same

SIMULATION:      Longer      Shorter      Same

5. Three objects are being shot with the same speeds but with the different launch angles of 65%, 45%, and 30%. Which object do you EXPECT to fly longer horizontal distance (Range)? Rank the results with the numbers 1, 2, and 3. (1 for the winner)

EXPECTATION:      65%          45%          30%

SIMULATION:      65%          45%          30%

6. Three objects are being shot with the same speeds but with the different launch angles of 65%, 45%, and 30%. Which object do you EXPECT to stay in the air longer? Rank the results with the numbers 1, 2, and 3. (1 for the winner)

EXPECTATION:      65%          45%          30%

SIMULATION:      65%          45%          30%

7. If the initial speed is doubled, given the same launch angle, how that would affect: **Range:**

EXPECTATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

SIMULATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

**Max Height:**

EXPECTATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

SIMULATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

**Flight Time:**

EXPECTATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

SIMULATION: same      double      triple      quadruple

8. Move the target at the horizontal distance 10 m away and the height of 7 m. Use a stretchable and movable ruler shown to achieve that. Try to shoot with a piano to hit a target with the initial speed of 50 m/s. Record the EXPECTED and SIMULATED launch angles.

EXPECTED ANGLE:

SIMULATION: