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Exercises for Experimental Physics 1 – IPSP Prof. Dr. J. Käs, Dr. M. Zink Exercise Sheet 2 (WS 2013/14)

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Submission Place: Marked mailbox next to room 302 (Linnestr. 5) **Submission Time:** 11:00 a.m. at the submission day noted above

Please note: Write your name and matriculation number on EACH sheet of paper. Only submit the calculations and results for exercise 1-3, exercise 4 will be discussed during the seminar.

Exercises:

- 1. Estimate how far you can throw a ball if you throw it
 - (a) horizontally while standing on level ground,
 - (b) at $\theta = 45^{\circ}$ above horizontal from the top of a building 12 m high.

Ignore any effects due to air resistance. (6 Points)

- 2. A swimmer *heads* directly across a river, swimming at 1.6 m/s relative to the water. She arrives at a point 40 m downstream from the point directly across the river, which is 80 m wide.
 - (a) What is the speed of the river current?
 - (b) What is the swimmer's speed relative to the shore?
 - (c) In what direction should the swimmer head in order to arrive at the point directly opposite her starting point? (7 Points)
- 3. A rock is thrown from the top of a 20-m-high building at an angle of 53° above the horizontal.
 - (a) If the horizontal range of the throw is equal to the height of the building, with what speed was the rock thrown?
 - (b) How long is it in the air?
 - (c) What is the velocity of the rock just before it strikes the ground? (Ignore any effects due to air resistance.) (7 Points)
- 4. An archerfish launches a droplet of water from the surface of a small lake at an angle of 60° above the horizontal. He is aiming at a juicy spider sitting on a leaf 50 cm to the east and on a branch 25 cm above the water surface. The fish is trying to knock the spider into the water so that the fish may eat the spider.
 - (a) What must the speed of the water droplet be for the fish to be successful?
 - (b) When it hits the spider, is the droplet rising or falling?