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Abstract: This project determined the optimum ratio of counterweight to projectile

weight for a projectile to travel the maximum distance using a model trebuchet. Two release pin angles and two different projectiles were

investigated with 900 firings. At a 0 degree pin angle, the optimum ratio was

125:1 for a tennis ball and 175:1 for a golf ball.

Awards	Value
Petro-Canada Peer Innovation Award - Junior - Western Canada	\$200
Sponsor: Petro-Canada	
The University of Western Ontario Scholarship	\$1 500
Silver Medallist - \$1500 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: University of Western Ontario	
Silver Medal - Physical & Mathematical Sciences - Junior	\$700
Sponsor: Encana Corporation	
Total	\$2 400



