

TP B.25

Percentage Sidespin Required for Maximum SIT at Any Cut Angle

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From TP A.14, throw is calculated with the following, where speeds are in units of m/s:

$$R := \frac{1.125 \text{ in}}{m} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} := \begin{pmatrix} 9.951 \times 10^{-3} \\ 0.108 \\ 1.088 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mu(v) := a + b \cdot e^{-c \cdot v}$$

$$v_{\text{rel}}(v, \omega_X, \omega_Z, \phi) := \sqrt{(v \cdot \sin(\phi) - R \cdot \omega_Z)^2 + (R \cdot \omega_X \cdot \cos(\phi))^2}$$

$$\theta_{\text{throw}}(v, \omega_X, \omega_Z, \phi) := \text{atan} \left[\frac{\min \left(\frac{\mu(v_{\text{rel}}(v, \omega_X, \omega_Z, \phi)) \cdot v \cdot \cos(\phi)}{v_{\text{rel}}(v, \omega_X, \omega_Z, \phi)}, \frac{1}{7} \right) \cdot (v \cdot \sin(\phi) - R \cdot \omega_Z)}{v \cdot \cos(\phi)} \right]$$

From <http://billiards.colostate.edu/faq/speed/typical/>, a typical range of shot speeds, converted to m/s is:

$$v_{\text{slow}} := \frac{1 \cdot \text{mph}}{\frac{m}{s}} = 0.447$$

$$v_{\text{medium}} := \frac{3 \cdot \text{mph}}{\frac{m}{s}} = 1.341$$

$$v_{\text{fast}} := \frac{7 \cdot \text{mph}}{\frac{m}{s}} = 3.129$$

From TP A.25, percentage spin (PS) is related to spin rate ω (rad/sec) with:

$$\omega(v, \text{PS}) := \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{v}{R} \cdot \text{PS}$$

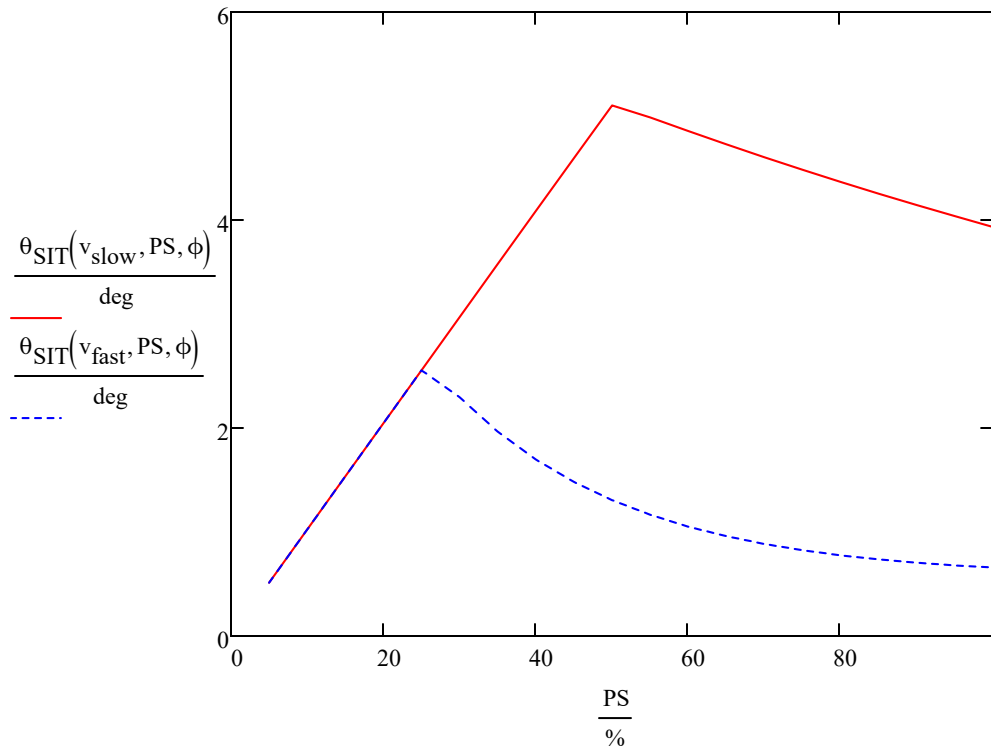
For a slow stun shot, where spin-induced throw (SIT) is maximum, SIT for a given percentage spin (PS) is:

$$\theta_{\text{SIT}}(v, \text{PS}, \phi) := -\theta_{\text{throw}}(v, 0, \omega(v, \text{PS}), \phi)$$

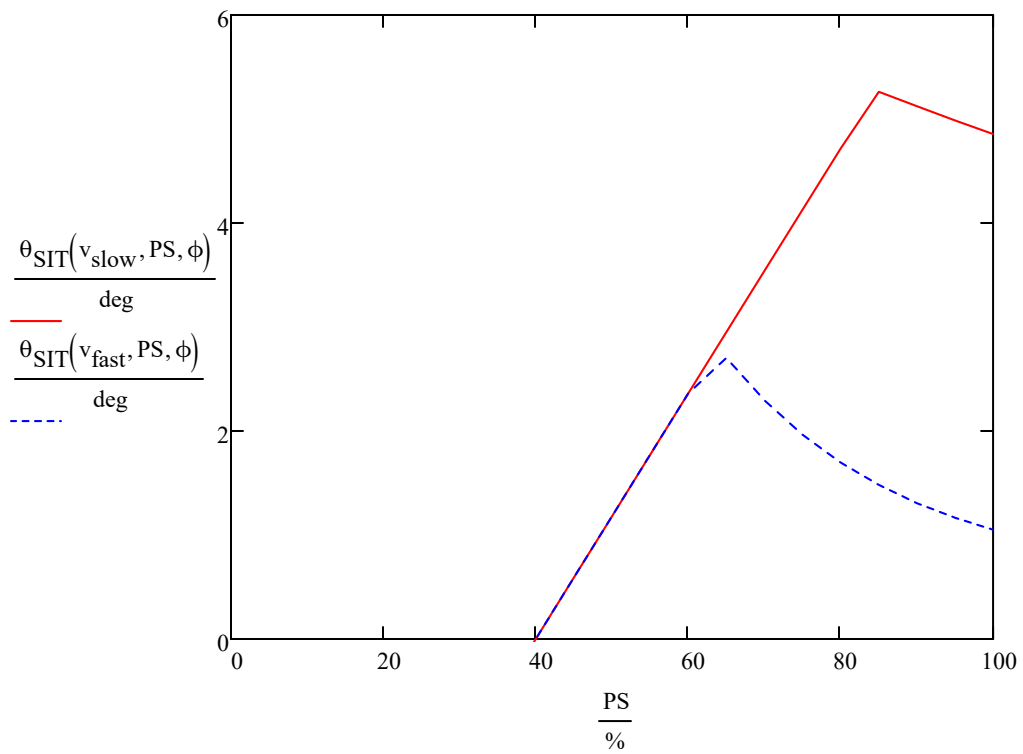
Here is how spin-induced throw (SIT) varies with percentage spin (PS) for slow and fast shots:

PS := 0, .05..1

straight shot: $\phi := 0$



1/2-ball hit: $\phi := 30\text{-deg}$



Now finding the percentage spin that results in the maximum spin-induced throw for a range of cut angles:

$$\phi A := (0\text{-deg } 15\text{-deg } 30\text{-deg } 45\text{-deg } 60\text{-deg } 75\text{-deg } 85\text{-deg})^T \quad \text{PS} := 0.95$$

initial guess

$v := v_{\text{slow}}$

$i := 0$	$\phi := \phi A_1$	$\theta_{\text{SIT}}(\text{PS}) := -\theta_{\text{throw}}(v, 0, \omega(v, \text{PS}), \phi)$	$\text{PSA}_1 := \text{Maximize}(\theta_{\text{SIT}}, \text{PS})$
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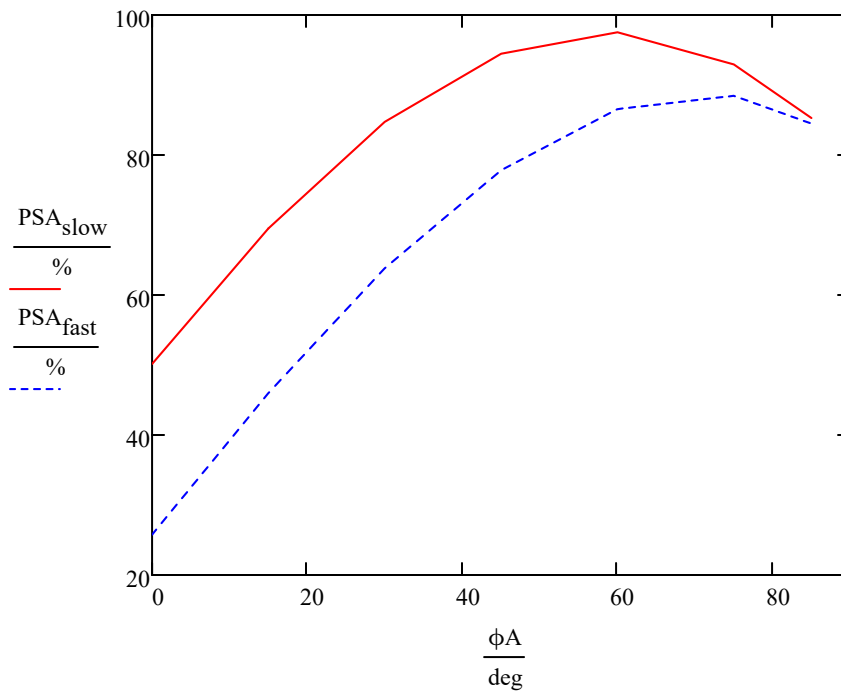
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$v := v_{\text{fast}}$

$i := 0$	$\phi := \phi A_1$	$\theta_{\text{SIT}}(\text{PS}) := -\theta_{\text{throw}}(v, 0, \omega(v, \text{PS}), \phi)$	$\text{PSA}_1 := \text{Maximize}(\theta_{\text{SIT}}, \text{PS})$
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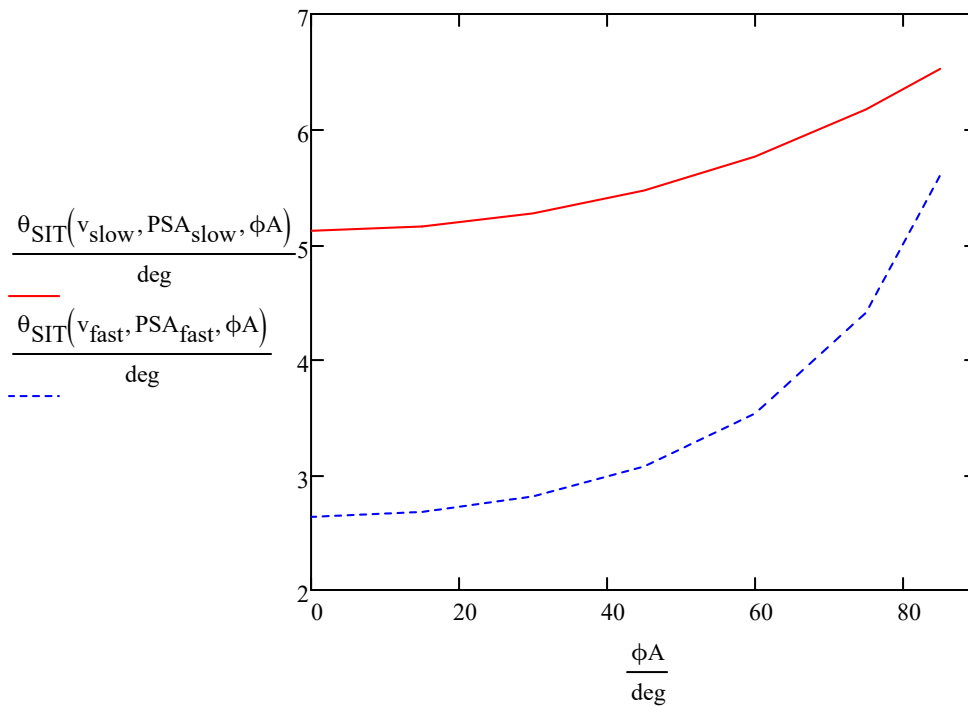
$\text{PSA}_{\text{fast}} := \text{PSA}$

Here is how the percentage spin (PSA) required for maximum spin-induced throw (SIT) varies with cut angle (ϕA) for both slow and fast shots:



And here's how much throw you can get at each of those angles:

$$\theta_{SIT}(v, PS, \phi) := -\theta_{throw}(v, 0, \omega(v, PS), \phi)$$



At slow speed, with a straight shot only about 50% of maximum sidespin is required to get maximum throw. For large cut angles, almost 100% of maximum sidespin is required for maximum throw, and more throw is possible.