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⑤④ **A method and an apparatus for determining the flight distance covered by a projectile.**

⑤⑦ The present invention relates to a method and an apparatus (1) for continuously measuring the flight distance covered by a projectile, with the aid of an accelerometer (1) which exclusively measures the retardation acting on the projectile on each separate occasion.

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1. Claims 1-4 : Method for calculating the flight distance covered by a projectile by integrating twice the deceleration of the projectile.
2. Claims 5-10 : Accelerometer of the piezo-resistive type including a seismic mass. The seismic mass is free to move in only one direction.