



# AEROTAIN

INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT

## ► GoZinc: Hackathon

MAI 2018

# ► ADD VALUE FOR EVENT STAKEHOLDERS

## AEROTAIN



**BRANDS**



**VISITORS**

**VISIBILITY**

**EXPERIENCE**



- **SAFE TO FLY ABOVE CROWDS**
- **ABILITY TO STREAM LIVE VIDEO**
- **PERFORM ANY MOTION**



## ► SUCCESS METRICS

ATTENTION



SHAREABLE



INTERACTIVE



CUSTOMIZABLE



SAFE



EFFECTIVE VISIBILITY  
FOR BRANDS

SHARABLE EXPERIENCE

LIKED BY ALL GENERATIONS

LONG TERM IMPACT

SAFE TO TOUCH IN FLIGHT



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RECALL OF OVER 95%

UP TO 5x MORE  
SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

9 OUT OF 10 VISITORS REALLY  
LIKE THE EXPERIENCE

BRANDED PERSONALIZED  
PICTURES AS GIVE-AWAY

CERTIFIED IN CH, USA...,  
>50 EXECUTED EVENTS

► VIDEO

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## ► THRILLED TO ENHANCE LIVE EXPERIENCES

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Background:

**ETH** Zürich



## ► AEROTAIN FLIGHT SYSTEM



- **Size: ø2.35m**
- **Weight: 6.5 kg**
- **Max Speed: 14 km/h**
- **Max Thrust: 15 N**

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# ► AEROTAIN FLIGHT SYSTEM

## COMPUTER & SENSORS

- State of the art algorithms
- Stabilize blimp against disturbances
- Safe descent and fault detection

## ENVELOPE

- Ripstop two-layer material
- Flame retardant (DIN 4102 B1)
- 360° high quality printable

## HELIUM

- LTA: Weightless design
- Non-flameable gas
- Very low descent energy

## LEDS

- >20W Power
- Color controllable
- Magic appearance

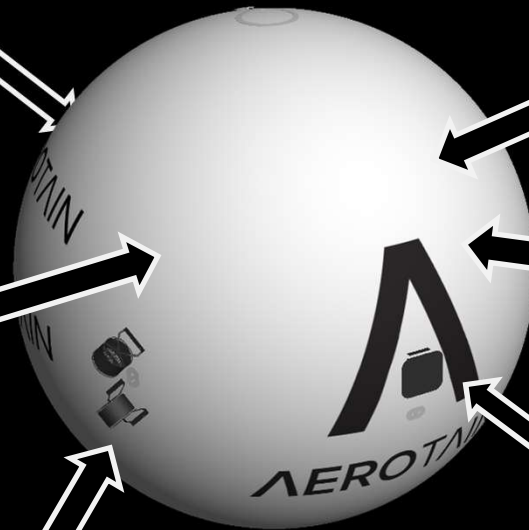
## 6 MOTOR PLATFORMS

- Redundant motors
- Spinning parts covered (DIN EN ISO 13857)
- Emergency shut down



## CAMERA

- GoPro /Sony RX0 Camera
- 1080p live stream
- Low latency



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## ► AEROTAIN CONTROL



- **FMU**
  - Pixhawk
  - px4 stack modified from v1.6.5
- **User Input:**
  - FRSky Taranis for user input
- **Controller:**
  - 6DOF independently controllable
  - Attitude controlled
  - Position has to be managed manually



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## ► YOUR CHALLENGE

**Create an AI application using our blimp as a platform**

## ► PAYLOAD



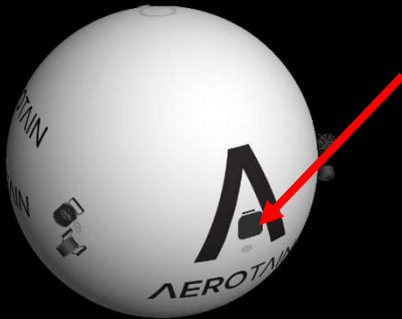
### Two Options

#### - Our Payload:

- GoPro or Sony RX0
- 1080p live stream over HDMI
- Low latency (2ms)

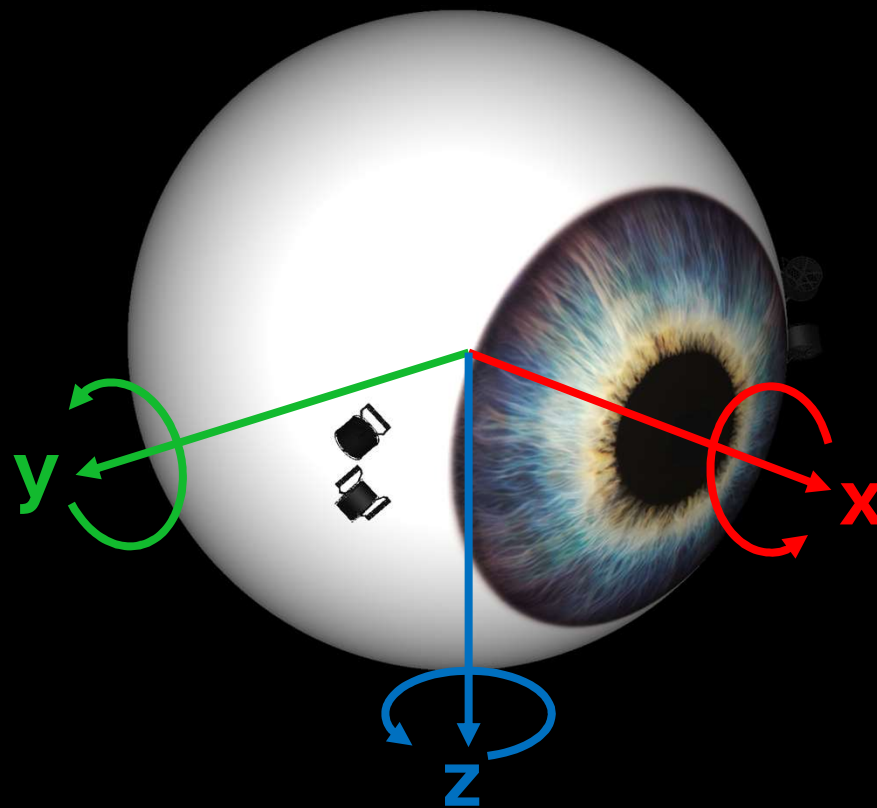
#### - Your Payload:

- in the very front of the system
- Max weight 400gr incl everything (also power supply)



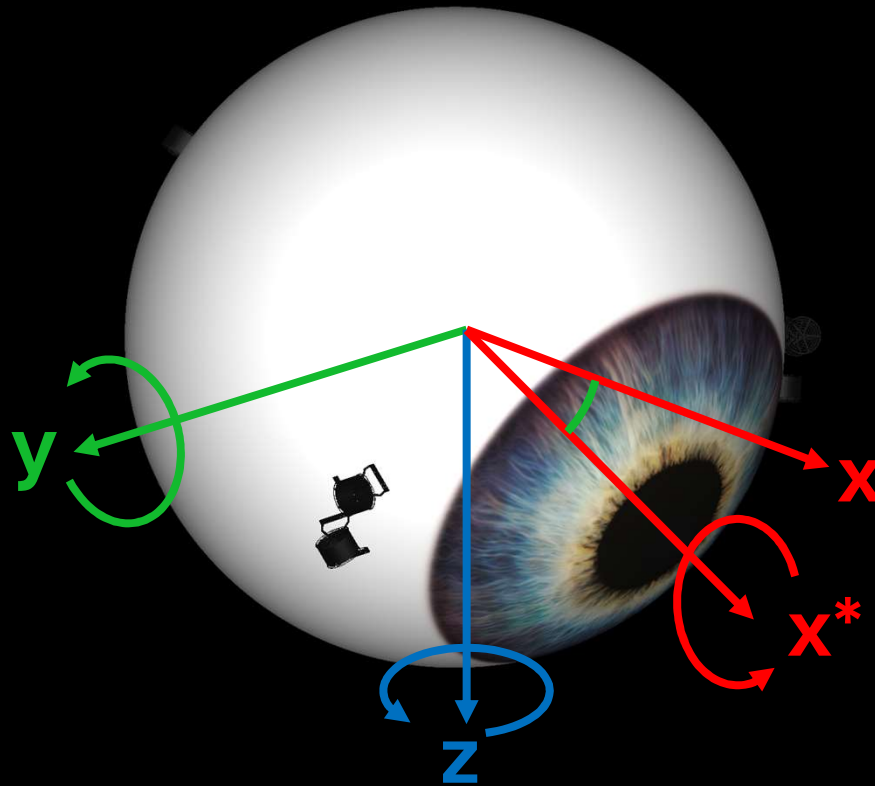
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## ► COORDINATE SYSTEM BODY



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## ► COORDINATE SYSTEM ROTATING



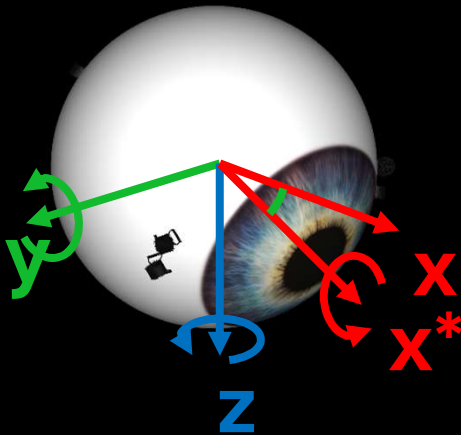
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## ► CONTROL MODE

**You control:**

- Force in translation axis in  $x, y, z$
- Rotation speed yaw ( $z$ ) and pitch ( $y$ )



**The roll ( $x$ ) axis is stabilized to have a level horizon**

**The forces and rotation speeds are limited**

## ► API HARDWARE



### Cable interface:

- **FTDI Cable with USB for onboard module**
- **Telemetry Link: for offboard processing**

### Serial Interface:

- **115200 baud 8N1**

## ► API

### **MAVLink Protocol:**

- **Standard protocol to communicate with UAVs**
- **Customizable: Message definition in XML**
- **Implemented in Java, Python, C++, ...**

### **AEROTAIN Telemetry:**

- **sends all standard px4 telemetry data**
- **interesting for you:**

`<message id="30" name="ATTITUDE">...`

## ► CUSTOM MESSAGE

```
<message id="221" name="SETPOINT_6DOF">  
  <description>Set the 6 DOF setpoint in terms of force on cog and rotational  
speed</description>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="trans_x">Translational Component in x</field>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="trans_y">Translational Component in y</field>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="trans_z">Translational Component in z</field>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="rot_x">Rotational Component in x</field>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="rot_y">Rotational Component in y</field>  
  <field type="int16_t" name="rot_z">Rotational Component in z</field>  
  <field type="uint32_t" name="timestamp">Timestamp in ms</field>  
</message>
```



## ► POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENTS

- **Basic Challenges:**
  - Keep the position
- **Navigation:**
  - Automatic navigation of a course
- **Interaction with people:**
  - Detect people and fly to them
  - Follow people
  - React to gestures
  - Fly towards the loudest part of a crowd
  - React to people touching the blimp
- ...

## ► GETTING STARTED WITH MAVLINK

- Install mavlink

[https://mavlink.io/en/getting\\_started/installation.html](https://mavlink.io/en/getting_started/installation.html)

- Generate Source Files

[https://mavlink.io/en/getting\\_started/generate\\_source.html](https://mavlink.io/en/getting_started/generate_source.html)

- With the generator:

- Choose your custom file, here aerotain.xml

- Choose output folder

- Choose e.g. python as language

- Choose v2.0 as version

- Copy the generated file into your e.g. pymavlink library

- Include aerotain dialect into your python file

## ► USEFUL LINKS

PX4: <https://dev.px4.io/en/>

MAVLINK:

Dev Guide: <https://mavlink.io/en/>

Github: <https://github.com/mavlink/mavlink>

Tutorial Basics: <https://diydrones.com/forum/topics/mavlink-tutorial-for-absolute-dummies-part-i?groupId=ardupilotusergroup&currentPage=1>

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Pymavlink: <https://github.com/ArduPilot/pymavlink>

► **QUESTIONS**

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**WE LEVERAGE LIVE EVENTS WITH INTERACTIVE  
AND ENGAGING FLYING EXPERIENCES**



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