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Add Motion to Flight Sim

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A Canadian company has come up with a nifty way to add motion to your favorite flight simulator. Kelowna, British Columbia-based **Dreamflyer** is perfecting a virtual cockpit that "moves" in concert with control commands. By mounting up to three LCD screens to a "cockpit" suspended and balanced on a frame, the virtual pilot uses a realistic control stick to fly the simulator and simultaneously pitch and roll the cockpit. Sensors and integrated controls transmit the motion information to the computer so the simulator software matches the motion. It adds a new dimension to flight simulators and the potential of the simple, non-motorized rig has been noticed.



Spokesman Rahul Lakhote said it's been featured on the Discovery Channel and a National Geographic film crew was at the booth during AirVenture. There were also visitors from simulation software makers who took great interest in the device he said.

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