

## Detect, Pause and Save From Accidents

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### **Project Brief:**

A drone camera and communication system,

to provide a different perspective that helps drivers spot the irregularities in ongoing operations before accidents happen.



## It won't fall if there was another forklift to help.

The driver could have saved it if

- Detect abnormality in the middle
- Called another driver (not a person walking by!!) for help
- Communicated well with the other driver

#### **Brand mission of** ΤΟΥΟΤΑ



Live service for safety



**Durability** 



Job opportunity

## **Design Considerations**



#### Rugged

Sturdy stainless steel cage for drone to protect it from falling objects

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#### Automatic

Drone can actively hover around selected object, and auto return later



#### Error tolerant

Drone hub system allowing up to 100mm landing error



#### Charged

Drone is automatically connected to charger in the hub

## **Findings & Process**

- After an accident happened, usually no one saw it and don't know who and what caused it.
- Most forklift operators don't have a coach; they don't have plans for some abnormal situations
- Drivers can only see from **below**, not the whole picture like in forklift games.

Ideation





Sketch models





CAD iterations



Generative design

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## Inspiration

Toyota and Lexus cars















1. Forklift is moving

- 2. Summon the drone by selecting the load on screen
- 3. Drone takes off and hover around to take video/photo



4. See the task from a different perspective





help

- 6. Two forklifts collaboration, or changing the driver to deal with the problematic situation

## **Touch screen Interfaces**



Camera would help locate inventory in the task list.

Select object to let drone hover around, click to make drone move to the left, right or behind the freight. Retrieve drone after finish with auto-return.

#### Stereo vision sensors at the front

180° camera inside shell

Battery chamber with heat vent & signal light

Teflon glide on the bottom

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Infrared sensors on left and right



# Thank you.

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