

Title (en)

A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROJECTING AN ARTICLE

Title (de)

VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUM WERFEN EINES ARTIKELS

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PROCÉDÉ ET APPAREIL DE PROJECTION D'UN OBJET

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO2007098554A1] The present invention relates generally to methods and devices for projecting articles. In particular, the present invention relates to a method and apparatus for projecting balls and like articles for interaction with a player where a player may, for example, be considered a human training for or playing a ball sport or, an animal such as a dog exercising by retrieving the projected article. In one form, the invention relates to a method and apparatus for projecting an article comprising: feeding at least one article into a launching means wherein the launching means comprises a plurality of independently controlled rotating drive devices each device adapted to provide contact between the launching means and the at least one article for providing a component of drive force to launch the at least one article; attenuating at least one component of drive force to control the 3-Dimensional spin of the launched article by moving at least one drive device whilst maintaining the orientation of the axis of rotation of said drive device.

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