



# USC

## CSCI 599 - Introduction to Holodecks

Units: 4

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### Course Description

A holodeck enables users to see virtual objects without glasses and to interact with them without wearing gloves or bodysuits. Holodecks may occupy physical volumes such as a tabletop cuboid or sphere, a telephone booth, a self-driving vehicle, a room, a concert hall, a stadium, or other well defined spaces. This course introduces students to Flying Light Specks (FLSs) as miniature drones with Red/Green/Blue (RGB) lights that fly as swarms to illuminate a virtual object. These illuminations provide true depth, enabling a user to perceive a scene more completely by analyzing its illumination from different angles. In addition, students are introduced to FLS-matter, a swarm of miniature drones to generate the tactile (simulating skin receptors only) and kinesthetic (muscle sense of pushing or lifting objects with mass) senses. These concepts enable immersive and interactive 3D displays depicted in science fiction shows, e.g., Star Trek's holodeck. A holodeck will revolutionize the future of human communication and perception, and how we interact with information and data.

Students will have the opportunity to conduct novel research and publish their work.

### Learning Objectives

This course introduces students to:

- Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality, and Mixed Reality.
- Programmable matter such as Claytronics, BitDrones, Roboxels, and FLSs.
- Holographs.
- Encounter-type haptic devices.
- Centralized and decentralized algorithms for group formation.
- Collision prevention and detection techniques.
- Matlab and MathWorks for rapid prototyping and evaluation of algorithms.
- Physics engines such as Airsim and Gazebo to conduct simulation studies.

**Prerequisite(s):** Principles of Software Development (CSCI 201)

**Recommended Preparation:** Operating Systems (CSCI 356), AI (CSCI 360), Data Management (CSCI 485)

**Course Notes:** All lecture material will be posted on the USC blackboard system prior to lectures.

### Technological Proficiency and Hardware/Software Required

Students should be proficient in design and implementation of concepts in different programming languages.

### Required Readings and Supplementary Materials

Required readings and supplementary materials are based on recently published papers. USC students may use their provided ACM/IEEE/Springer digital library membership to download these papers for free.

### Description and Assessment of Assignments

The course includes a class project. Students are encouraged to conduct their project on the numerous research topics related to the Flying Light Specks, FLSs.

### **Grading Breakdown**

The class project is an important component of student grades. Projects may be done either individually or in teams.

<b>Assessment Tool (assignments)</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>% of Grade</b>
Class Participation	100	10%
Exam 1 (10/12/2022)	100	30%
Project Description	100	30%
Final Project Report	100	30%
<b>TOTAL</b>		100%

### **Assignment Submission Policy**

All project reports must be submitted using the USC blackboard system.

### **Grading Timeline**

Exams will be graded promptly and returned in a week.

Project description and the final project report include an oral presentation.

### **Additional Policies**

No late reports are accepted. All deadlines are final.

Class participation may include students presenting technical papers.

Students are rewarded with extra credit for conducting original research.

## Course Schedule: A Weekly Breakdown

### **Week 1: FLS Displays & Claytronics**

1. Shahram Ghandeharizadeh. 2021. Holodeck: Immersive 3D Displays Using Swarms of Flying Light Specks [Extended Abstract]. In ACM Multimedia Asia, Gold Coast, Australia, December 2021, Pages 1–7. Read extended arXiv version <https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.03657>
2. Ivan E. Sutherland. 1965. The Ultimate Display. In Proceedings of IFIP Congress. 506–508.
3. S.C. Goldstein, J.D. Campbell, and T.C. Mowry. 2005. Programmable matter. *Computer* 38, 6 (2005), 99–101. <https://doi.org/10.1109/MC.2005.198>

#### ***Dig Deeper (Optional Reading):***

- Allen McDuffee. 2014. A Holodeck Videogame Designed to Train Soldiers, *Wired*. Jan, 2014. See <https://www.wired.com/2014/01/holodeck/>.
- Febretti, Alessandro et al. “CAVE2: a hybrid reality environment for immersive simulation and information analysis.” *Electronic Imaging* (2013).

### **Week 2: FLS Illuminations & Group Construction (Matching Problem)**

4. Shahram Ghandeharizadeh. 2022. Display of 3D Illuminations using Flying Light Specks. In ACM Multimedia, Lisbon, Portugal, October 2022.
5. Preis R. 1999. Linear Time  $1/2$ -Approximation Algorithm for Maximum Weighted Matching in General Graphs. In STACS 99: Proceedings Symposium on Theoretical Aspects of Computer Science. 259–269.

#### ***Dig Deeper:***

- Anna Chmielowiec, Spyros Voulgaris, and Maarten van Steen. 2014. Decentralized Group Formation. *Journal of Internet Services and Applications* 5, 1 (2014). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13174-014-0012-2>
- Avis David. 1983. A Survey of Heuristics for the Weighted Matching Problem. *Networks* 13 (1983), 475–493.
- Jaap-Henk Hoepman. 2004. Simple Distributed Weighted Matchings. CoRRcs.DC/0410047 (2004). <http://arxiv.org/abs/cs.DC/0410047>.
- Edmonds Jack. 1965. Paths, Trees, and Flowers. *Canada Journal of Math.* 17 (1965), 449–467.
- Tutte W. 1947. The Factorization of Linear Graphs. *Journal of London Mathematics Society* 22 (1947), 107–11

### **Week 3: Encounter-Type Haptics (Guest Lecturer Heather Culbertson)**

6. Victor Rodrigo Mercado, Maud Marchal, and Anatole Lecuyer. 2021. Haptics On-Demand: A Survey on Encountered-Type Haptic Displays. *IEEE Transactions on Haptics* 14, 3 (2021), 449–464.

7. Muhammad Abdullah, Minji Kim, Waseem Hassan, Yoshihiro Kuroda, and Seokhee Jeon. 2018. HapticDrone: An Encountered-type Kinesthetic Haptic Interface with Controllable Force Feedback: Example of Stiffness and Weight Rendering. In Proc. IEEE Haptics Symposium. IEEE, 334–339.

**Dig Deeper:**

- Lawrence H. Kim and Sean Follmer. 2019. SwarmHaptics: Haptic Display with Swarm Robots. In Proceedings of the 2019 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '19). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, Paper 688, 1–13. DOI:<https://doi.org/10.1145/3290605.3300918>

**Week 4: Roboxels & Bit-Drones**

8. William A. McNeely. 1993. Robotic graphics: a new approach to force feedback for virtual reality. In Proceedings of IEEE Virtual Reality Annual International Symposium. 336–341. <https://doi.org/10.1109/VRAIS.1993.380761>

9. Antonio Gomes, Calvin Rubens, Sean Braley, and Roel Vertegaal. 2016. BitDrones: Towards Using 3D Nanocopter Displays as Interactive Self-Levitating Programmable Matter. In *Proceedings of the 2016 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '16)*. Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 770–780. DOI:<https://doi.org/10.1145/2858036.2858519> Presentation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OBHmqsay7CA>

10. Mario Lorenz, Sebastian Knopp, Philipp Klimant, Johannes Quellmalz, and Holger Schlegel. 2020. Concept for a Virtual Reality Robot Ground Simulator. In 2020 IEEE International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality Adjunct (ISMAR-Adjunct). 36–38. <https://doi.org/10.1109/ISMAR-Adjunct51615.2020.00024>

**Dig Deeper:**

- Ryo Suzuki, Clement Zheng, Yasuaki Kakehi, Tom Yeh, Ellen Yi-Luen Do, Mark D. Gross, and Daniel Leithinger. 2019. ShapeBots: Shape-changing Swarm Robots. In Proceedings of the 32nd Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST '19). 493–505. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3332165.3347911>
- Sean Braley, Calvin Rubens, Timothy Merritt, and Roel Vertegaal. 2018. GridDrones: A Self-Levitating Physical Voxel Lattice for Interactive 3D Surface Deformations. In Proceedings of the 31st Annual ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology (UIST '18). 87–98. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3242587.3242658>
- Calvin Rubens, Sean Braley, Julie Torpegaard, Nicklas Lind, Roel Vertegaal, and Timothy Merritt. 2020. Flying LEGO Bricks: Observations of Children Constructing and Playing with Programmable Matter. In Proceedings of the Fourteenth International Conference on

Tangible, Embedded, and Embodied Interaction (TEI '20). 193–205.  
<https://doi.org/10.1145/3374920.3374948>

### **Week 5: User Safety (Guest Lecturer, Luis Garcia)**

11. S. Ghandeharizadeh and L. Garcia. Safety in the Emerging Holodeck Applications. In CHI 2022 Workshop on Novel Challenges of Safety, Security and Privacy in Extended Reality, April 25, 2022.

12. Colgate, Ed, Antonio Bicchi, Michael Aaron Peshkin, and James Edward Colgate. "Safety for physical human-robot interaction." In *Springer handbook of robotics*, pp. 1335-1348. Springer, 2008.

#### ***Dig Deeper:***

- Matteo Rubagotti and Inara Tusseyeva and Sara Baltabayeva and Danna Summers and Anara Sandygulova. Perceived Safety in Physical Human–Robot Interaction—A Survey. *Robotics and Autonomous Systems*. Vol. 151, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.robot.2022.104047>
- Sami Haddadin, Alin Albu-Schaffer, Gerd Hirzinger. Safety Evaluation of Physical Human-Robot Interaction via Crash-Testing. In *Proc. Robotics: Science and System (RSS)*, 2007.

### **Week 6: Quadcopters in Action**

13. Jonas Auda, Nils Verheyen, Sven Mayer, and Stefan Schneegass. 2021. Flyables: Haptic Input Devices for Virtual Reality using Quadcopters. In *Proc. ACM Symposium on Virtual Reality Software and Technology (VRST)*. 1–11.

14. Parastoo Abtahi, Benoit Landry, Jackie Yang, Marco Pavone, Sean Follmer, and James A Landay. 2019. Beyond the Force: Using Quadcopters to Appropriately Interact with Objects and the Environment for Haptics in Virtual Reality. In *Proc. ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*. 1–13.

#### ***Dig Deeper:***

- Yousef Alghamdi, Arslan Munir, and H. La. 2021. Architecture, Classification, and Applications of Contemporary Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. *IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine* (2021), 1–10.
- Soon-Jo Chung, A. Paranjape, P. Dames, S. Shen, and Vijay R. Kumar. 2018. A Survey on Aerial Swarm Robotics. *IEEE Transactions on Robotics* 34 (2018), 837–855.
- Hazim Shakhathreh, A. Sawalmeh, Ala Al-Fuqaha, Zuochoao Dou, Eyad K. Almaita, Issa M. Khalil, Noor Shamsiah Othman, A. Khreishah, and M. Guizani. 2019. Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs): A Survey on Civil Applications and Key Research Challenges. *IEEE Access* 7 (2019), 48572–48634.

- Jonas Auda, Martin Weigel, Jessica R. Cauchard, and Stefan Schneegass. 2021. Understanding Drone Landing on the Human Body. In Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Mobile Human-Computer Interaction (MobileHCI '21). 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3447526.3472031>
- Viviane Herdel, Lee J. Yamin, and Jessica R. Cauchard. 2022. Above and Beyond: A Scoping Review of Domains and Applications for Human-Drone Interaction. In Proceedings of the 2022 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '22). 1–22. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3491102.3501881>

### **Week 7: Collision Prevention & Avoidance**

15. Hang Sun, Juntong Qi, Chong Wu, and Mingming Wang. 2020. Path Planning for Dense Drone Formation Based on Modified Artificial Potential Fields. 39th Chinese Control Conference (CCC) (2020), 4658–4664

16. Ravinder Kumar Jyoti, Mohit Kumar Malhotra, and Debasish Ghose. 2021. Rogue Agent Identification and Collision Avoidance in Formation Flights using Potential Fields. In 2021 International Conference on Unmanned Aircraft Systems (ICUAS). 1080–1088. <https://doi.org/10.1109/ICUAS51884.2021.9476866>

17. Jiayi Sun, Jun Tang, and Songyang Lao. 2017. Collision Avoidance for Cooperative UAVs With Optimized Artificial Potential Field Algorithm. IEEE Access PP (08 2017), 18382–18390. <https://doi.org/10.1109/ACCESS.2017.2746752>

### **Dig Deeper:**

- O. Khatib. 1985. Real-Time Obstacle Avoidance for Manipulators and Mobile Robots. In Proceedings. 1985 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, Vol. 2. 500–505. <https://doi.org/10.1109/ROBOT.1985.1087247>
- J. van den Berg, D. Wilkie, S. J. Guy, M. Niethammer and D. Manocha. LQG-obstacles: Feedback control with collision avoidance for mobile robots with motion and sensing uncertainty. In *2012 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation, 2012*, pp. 346-353, doi: 10.1109/ICRA.2012.6224648.

### **Week 8: Review for Midterm and Midterm**

### **Week 9: Matlab**

### **Week 10: Holograms**

18. Chenliang Chang, Kiseung Bang, Gordon Wetzstein, ByoungHo Lee, and Liang Gao, "Toward the next-generation VR/AR optics: a review of holographic near-eye displays from a human-centric perspective," *Optica* **7**, 1563-1578 (2020).

19. Xiong, J., Hsiang, E., He, Z., Zhan, T., & Wu, S. (2021). Augmented reality and virtual reality displays: emerging technologies and future perspectives. *Light, Science & Applications*, 10.

### **Week 11: Physics Engines Airsim and Gozebo**

20. N. Koenig and A. Howard. Design and Use Paradigms for Gazebo, An Open-Source Multi-Robot Simulator. In IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems, pages 2149–2154, Sendai, Japan, Sep 2004

21. S. Shah, D. Dey, C. Lovett, and A. Kapoor. AirSim: High-Fidelity Visual and Physical Simulation for Autonomous Vehicles. In Field and Service Robotics, 2017.

### **Week 12: Localization/Positioning System**

22. Adam Smith, Hari Balakrishnan, Michel Goraczko, Nissanka Priyantha, [Tracking Moving Devices with the Cricket Location System](#), Proc. 2nd USENIX/ACM MOBISYS Conf., Boston, MA, June 2004.

#### **Dig Deeper:**

- Nissanka B. Priyantha, Anit Chakraborty, Hari Balakrishnan, [The Cricket Location-Support system](#), [Proc. 6th ACM MOBICOM](#), Boston, MA, August 2000.
- Hari Balakrishnan, Roshan Baliga, Dorothy Curtis, Michel Goraczko, Allen Miu, Nissanka B. Priyantha, Adam Smith, Ken Steele, Seth Teller, Kevin Wang, [Lessons from Developing and Deploying the Cricket Indoor Location System](#), November 2003. (Preprint.)
- This paper describes the lessons learned from Cricket v1 and how Cricket v2's design builds on these lessons.
- Yanying Gu, Anthony C. C. Lo, and Ignas G. Niemegeers. 2009. A Survey of Indoor Positioning Systems for Wireless Personal Networks. *IEEE Commun. Surv. Tutorials* 11, 1 (2009), 13–32. <https://doi.org/10.1109/SURV.2009.090103>
- Souvik Sen, Dongho Kim, Stephane Laroche, Kyu-Han Kim, and Jeongkeun Lee. 2015. Bringing CUPID Indoor Positioning System to Practice. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW '15)*. International World Wide Web Conferences Steering Committee, Republic and Canton of Geneva, CHE, 938–948. DOI:<https://doi.org/10.1145/2736277.2741686>
- Jiang Xiao, Zimu Zhou, Youwen Yi, and Lionel M. Ni. 2016. A Survey on Wireless Indoor Localization from the Device Perspective. *ACM Comput. Surv.* 49, 2, Article 25 (June 2017), 31 pages. DOI:<https://doi.org/10.1145/2933232>
- C. Watson. *Permanent Magnet-Based Localization for Growing Robots in Medical Applications, Dissertation*.

### **Week 13: 3D Acoustics**

23. Mehra, Ravish and Raghuvanshi, Nikunj and Antani, Lakulish and Chandak, Anish and Curtis, Sean and Manocha, Dinesh. 2013. Wave-Based Sound Propagation in Large Open Scenes Using an

Equivalent Source Formulation. *ACM Trans. Graph.* 32, 2, Article 19 (April 2013), 13 pages.  
<https://doi.org/10.1145/2451236.2451245>

24. Shiguang Liu and Dinesh Manocha. 2020. Sound Synthesis, Propagation, and Rendering: A Survey. *CoRR* abs/2011.05538 (2020). arXiv:2011.05538 <https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.05538>

**Dig Deeper:**

- Nikunj Raghuvanshi and John Snyder. 2018. Parametric Directional Coding for Precomputed Sound Propagation. *ACM Trans. Graph.* 37, 4, Article 108 (July 2018), 14 pages. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3197517.3201339>

**Week 14: Noise Reduction**

25. Miljković. Methods for attenuation of unmanned aerial vehicle noise. 2018. *In the 41st International Convention on Information and Communication Technology, Electronics and Microelectronics (MIPRO)*, 2018, pp. 0914-0919, doi: 10.23919/MIPRO.2018.8400169.

**Dig Deeper:**

- W. Herkes, R. Olsen, and S. Uellenberg. 2012. The Quiet Technology Demonstrator Program: Flight Validation of Airplane Noise Reduction Concepts. In 12th AIAA/CEAS Aeroacoustics Conference (27th AIAA Aeroacoustics Conference). <https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2006-2720>  
arXiv:<https://arc.aiaa.org/doi/pdf/10.2514/6.2006-2720>

**Week 15: Project Presentations**

	<b>Topics/Daily Activities</b>	<b>Readings/Preparation</b>	<b>Deliverables</b>
<b>Week 1</b> 8/22&24	FLS displays, Claytronics & Catoms,	Ghandeharizadeh FLS displays, Sutherland Ultimate Display, Goldstein Catoms	3D Illuminations Matter for the Holodeck
<b>Week 2</b> 8/29&31	Group Construction, Matching Problem	Preis centralized algorithm, Chmielowiec decentralized algorithm	Centralized and decentralized algorithms to form groups
<b>Week 3</b> Labor day & 9/7	Encounter-Type Haptics (Guest Lecturer Heather Culbertson)	Rodrigo Haptics-On-Demand, Abdullah HapticDrone	Encounter-Type Haptics
<b>Week 4</b> 9/12&14	Roboxels, Bit-Drones, Fast 3D printing	McNeely Roboxels, Gomez Bit-Drones	Matter for the Holodeck Walking in a Holodeck



<b>Week 5</b> 9/19&21	User Safety (Guest Lecturer Luis Garcia)	Ghandeharizadeh & Garcia Safety in Holodeck App	User Safety
<b>Week 6</b> 9/26&28	<b>Project Reports due 9/28 &amp; Quadcopters</b>	Auda Flyables, Abtahi Beyond the Force,	<b>Class Projects</b> Quadcopters in different applications
<b>Week 7</b> 10/3&5	Collision Detection & Avoidance	Sun APF Path Planning, Jyoti Rogue Agent, Sun APF Collision Avoidance	Artificial Potential Field (APF) Algorithm
<b>Week 8</b> 10/10&12	<b>Review for Exam 1</b> <b>Exam 1 is on 10/12</b>		
<b>Week 9</b> 10/17&19	Introduction to Matlab & Mathworks	Motion illumination using FLS	Abstractions & modeling
<b>Week 10</b> 10/24&26	Holograms	Chang Review, Xiang Future	Holograms, AR and MR
<b>Week 11</b> 10/31&11/2	Physics Engines	Airsim & Gozebo	Simulation studies
<b>Week 12</b> 11/7&9	Indoor Positioning System	Smith Cricket	Device tracking techniques
<b>Week 13</b> 11/14&16	3D Acoustics	Mehra Wave-Based Sound Propagation	Sound in games
<b>Week 14</b> 11/21&23	Noise Reduction	Herkes Quiet Technology	Suppress drone noise
<b>Week 15</b> 11/28&30	<b>Project Presentations</b>		
<b>FINAL</b>	<b>Final Project Reports</b>		Refer to the final exam schedule in the USC <i>Schedule of Classes</i> at <a href="https://classes.usc.edu">classes.usc.edu</a> .

### Time Permitting

#### Self-Assembly

26. Saldaña, David & Gabrich, Bruno & Li, Guanrui & Yim, Mark & Kumar, Vijay. (2018). ModQuad: The Flying Modular Structure that Self-Assembles in Midair. In 2018 IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA). IEEE Press, 691–698. 10.1109/ICRA.2018.8461014.

27. D. Saldaña, P. M. Gupta and V. Kumar (2019). Design and Control of Aerial Modules for Inflight Self-Disassembly. In *IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters*, vol. 4, no. 4, pp. 3410-3417, Oct. 2019, doi: 10.1109/LRA.2019.2926680.

#### Immersive Human Computer Interaction System

28. Serrano, R., Morillo, P., Casas, S., & Cruz-Neira, C. (2022). An empirical evaluation of two natural hand interaction systems in augmented reality. *Multimedia Tools and Applications*.

Dig Deeper:

- Lu, G., Shark, L., Hall, G., & Zeshan, U. (2011). Immersive manipulation of virtual objects through glove-based hand gesture interaction. *Virtual Reality*, 16, 243-252.
- Tijana Vuletic, Alex Duffy, Laura Hay, Chris McTeague, Gerard Campbell, Madeleine Greal, Systematic literature review of hand gestures used in human computer interaction interfaces, *International Journal of Human-Computer Studies*, Volume 129, 2019, Pages 74-94, ISSN 1071-5819, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijhcs.2019.03.011>.

### **Data Physicalization**

29. S. Sandra Bae, Clement Zheng, Mary Etta West, Ellen Yi-Luen Do, Samuel Huron, and Danielle Albers Szafer. 2022. Making Data Tangible: A Cross-disciplinary Design Space for Data Physicalization. In Proceedings of the 2022 CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '22). Article 81, 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3491102.3501939>

30. Yvonne Jansen, Pierre Dragicevic, Petra Isenberg, Jason Alexander, Abhijit Karnik, Johan Kildal, Sriram Subramanian, and Kasper Hornbæk. 2015. Opportunities and Challenges for Data Physicalization. In Proceedings of the 33rd Annual ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI '15). 3227–3236. <https://doi.org/10.1145/2702123.2702180>

### **Swarms**

31. Craig W. Reynolds. 1987. Flocks, herds and schools: A distributed behavioral model. In Proceedings of the 14th annual conference on Computer graphics and interactive techniques (SIGGRAPH '87). ACM 25–34. <https://doi.org/10.1145/37401.37406>

32. S. -J. Chung, A. A. Paranjape, P. Dames, S. Shen and V. Kumar, "A Survey on Aerial Swarm Robotics," in *IEEE Transactions on Robotics*, vol. 34, no. 4, pp. 837-855, Aug. 2018, doi: 10.1109/TRO.2018.2857475.

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[suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

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