

# Situated Interaction

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## This week:

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Discussion

Levels of Interaction

Presentations:

Group 8:

Thomas, Golina

Group 7:

Kevin, Angela

Group 2:

Isabel, Nicolas, Johann

Next week:

Groups:

3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12

# Framework: Instruments and Substrates

	Instruments	Substrates
	<i>Actions (input)</i>	<i>Effects (output)</i>
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# Robert's link example: Linking across devices

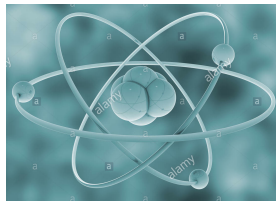
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<i>Reification</i>	If command disappears, make it persist <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Create a tool that links different devices</i></li></ul>	If a relationship disappears, make it persist <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Create a continuous channel to link devices</i></li></ul>
<i>Polymorphism</i>	Make it handle multiple types of objects <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Handle diverse devices: phone, tablet, wall, watch</i></li></ul>	Make it handle multiple types of relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Handle different linking relationships</i></li></ul>
<i>Reuse</i>	Make it reuse user input <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Reuse or share previous shared content</i></li></ul>	Make it reuse user output <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Reuse previously established configurations</i></li></ul>

# New example?

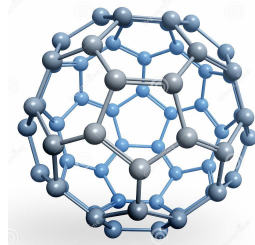
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atom



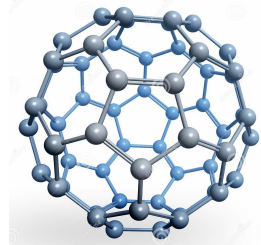
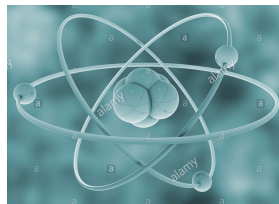
wood



hammer

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What is the equivalent for the digital world?  
especially for interaction?

Analogy

Interaction Levels

Alphabet

### Atomic User Actions

#### Cursor-based

- Point
- Activate
- Trace
- Keystroke

#### Touch-based

- Tap
- Swipe
- Pinch



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#### Interaction Techniques

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Design Artifacts

## Conceptual Representations

### Abstract

- Interaction tables
- Architecture diagrams

### Temporal

- Scenario
- Video prototype
- Marketing pitch

### Spatial

- Layout templates
- Wire frames

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Presentations:	(order to be decided next week)
Group 3:	Anqi, Vennila, Eleonora
Group 5:	Camille, Damien
Group 6:	Eurus JiayiNoha
Group 9:	Julia, Floriana, Wissal
Group 10:	Yoon, Adrián, Maria
Group 12:	Francesco, Francesco