# HoloLens 2 Interactive Experience

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### **Motivation for UAA HoloLens 2 Guided Tour**

- Two birds with one stone:
  - ADSAIL promotion
  - Recruitment for UAA
- Alaska Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Lab (ADSAIL) is underused
- UAA can use this resource to recruit students, and engage with the campus by providing an interactive way to learn and explore



### **Outcomes: Minimal Viable Product**

#### • <u>Two modes:</u>

- Tour Mode
- Map Creation mode
- **Documentation:** User Manual and Developer Documentation to further develop and use our application
- **<u>Wayfinding</u>**: Application gets user to follow a guided path
- **Points of Interest:** Players can interact with a game, picture, or text to learn about places and engage with the tour



**Demonstration video** 

#### https://youtu.be/qcM-ZIn0ful

# **Design: Tools used**

- Microsoft Azure: the Azure Spatial Anchors service and the Azure Table Storage Service
- MRTK3: Mixed Reality Toolkit 3 developed by Microsoft for various aspects of the application
- **Unity:** The game engine behind all the tools for development





#### **Design: Data Structures and Databases**

- **Spatial Anchors:** locations are stored along with environmental recognition details and spatial orientation
- **<u>Table Storage</u>**: holds static information associated with each point of interest (name, map location, spatial ID)
- **<u>Page Manager</u>**: holds dynamic information associated with each point of interest (P.O.I.)





# **More On The Page Manager**

- Persistent, populated data structure that can be modified in Unity
- Lots of customizability to adjust appearance and behavior of P.O.I.
- New parameters can easily be added that can affect P.O.I. properties
- Enables plug and play for easy maintenance with minor instruction

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#### We Built It As We Flew It

- Good documentation is sparse
- Learning occurred in bursts
- Developed with the knowledge we had at the time
- Difficult to estimate time required for many tasks
- Used example tutorials as foundation which leaves plenty of room for refactoring

#### **Future Work**

- Audio P.O.I.s that play a prerecorded script
- Video P.O.I.s
- Shared experiences between multiple users
- Dynamic experience:
  - Tailor tour to different age groups on startup
  - Adjust nodes based on user height

## **Rewarding But Challenging**

- Documenting all recommended tutorials and Unity Pathways to complete
- Creating detailed use guide for maintaining project in current state
- Prior Unity experience essentially a must
- Good Resources, like a high performing computer, is important

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