

GENERATIVE SOCIAL DISTANCE DESIGN

THE SOCIAL DISTANCE LAB, LANCASTER, UK





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SOCIAL DISTANCING

Discussion on what constitutes social distancing, and what impact it has on infection rates.

SIGNAGE

A precedent study of global signage, considering different approaches to regulation.

LANCASTER SOCIAL DISTANCE LAB

Development and assembly of the Social Distance Lab to test generative distancing.

CONCLUSION

Evaluation of the work, reflection and speculation on future trends of social distancing.

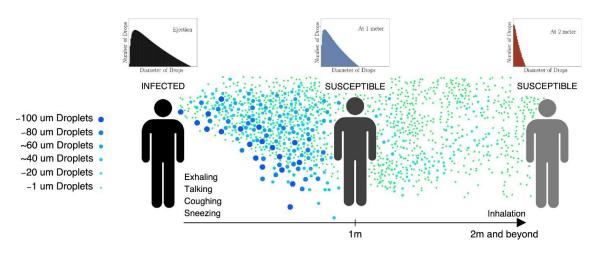




SOCIAL DISTANCING

SCIENCE, HISTORY, CHANGE



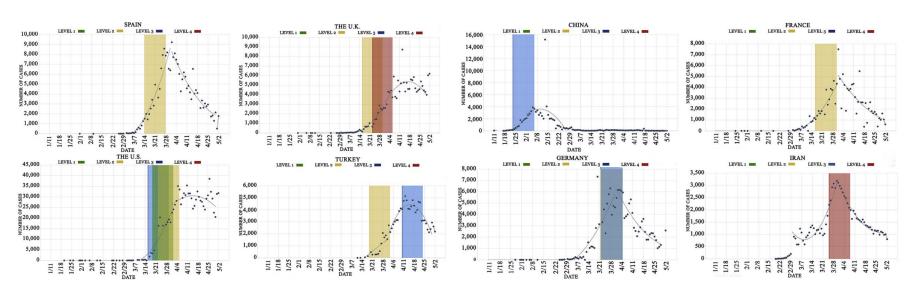


Host-to-Host Airborne Transmission as a Multiphase Flow Problem For Science-Based Social Distance Guidelines

Airborne particles, or aerosols, in the context of human to human transmission. It is also increasingly clear that airborne transmission is an important contributor to rapid spreading of the disease. The above diagram illustrates droplet generation by exhalation, their potential transformation into airborne particles by evaporation, transport over long distances by exhalation and by ambient air turbulence, and final inhalation by the receiving host as interconnected multiphase flow processes.

SOCIAL DISTANCE IMPACT ON CASES





Effect of the social distancing measures on the spread of COVID-19 in 10 highly infected countries

COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated how important it is to develop fundamental knowledge related to generation, transport and inhalation of pathogen-laden droplets and their subsequent possible fate as airborne particles, or aerosols, in the context of human to human transmission

FINANCIAL ESTIMATE OF COVID19 (US)



The total number of infections in the US is projected to reach 287 million without social distancing and 188 million with social distancing. When combined with the differential mortality rates when the health system capacity threshold is exceeded versus when not, the difference between the infection curves translates into about 1.24 million lives saved. Using a \$10 million value of reduced mortality risk (VSL) for the lives saved, the benefits of social distancing are \$12.4 trillion. The cost of social distancing is the difference in present value terms of the GDP losses without (\$6.49 trillion) and with (\$13.7 trillion) the policy, which is \$7.21 trillion.

Table 1 Benchmark outcomes for the uncontrolled scenario (without social distancing) and controlled scenario (with social distancing).

	Uncontrolled	Controlled
Infections (million)	287	188
Deaths (million)	2.18	0.941
Present value of GDP loss (trillion US\$)	6.49	13.7
Value of lives lost (trillion US\$)	21.8	9.41
Net benefits (trillion US\$)		5.16

Benchmark parameter values: $R_0 = 2.4$, infectious period = 6.5 days, low mortality rate = 0.5 %, high mortality rate = 1.5 %, reduction in contact rate = 38 %, VSL = \$10 million, uncontrolled initial GDP decline = 2.0 %, controlled initial GDP decline = 6.2 %, medical capacity threshold = 36 million infected, equal proportional rates of recovery in uncontrolled and controlled scenario, discount rate = 3.0 % year⁻¹, planning horizon = 30 years.

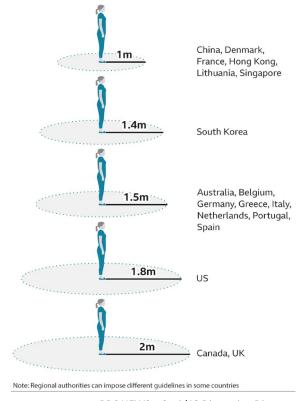
The Benefits and Costs of Using Social Distancing to Flatten the Curve for COVID-19

SOCIAL DISTANCE ACROSS THE WORLD



- Initially, the scientific evidence for distancing varied across the world, from an initial 2m in the UK and Canada, to 1.8m in the US, 1.4m in South Korea and 1m in China, France and Hong Kong.
- Aggressive social distancing measures buy enough time to develop and distribute cost-effective COVID-19 treatments or vaccines.
- Distancing is, however, difficult to maintain for a long period of time and its' effectiveness decreases as time goes on.
 Long-term distancing breaches the limits of people's physical and mental endurance and the negative effects on socioeconomics are enormous.

How social distancing rules differ



BBC NEWS - Covid19 Distancing Diagram



SIGNAGE

GLOBAL, TYPE, APPLICATION









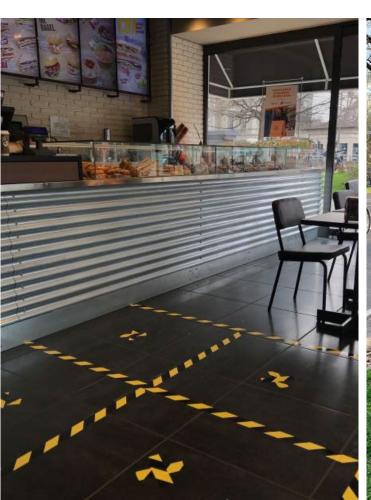






















Can social distancing guidance be effectively automated using generative software (Grasshopper w/python)

- Can automated software generate optimized building layouts successfully
 - How does the design of signage impact the effectiveness of social distancing measures?
 - How do the complex variables of signage design influence behavior?
 - How does branding impact signage should signage be designed case by case?
 - Should signs be made to suit the building they are in, or be universal?

Can the outcomes be achieved cost-effectively?

Can the project be scaled efficiently at economic cost for global use?



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DESIGN TEAM, DEVELOPMENT, FABRICATION

RESEARCH AND DESIGN TEAM













FUNDING

CLIENT

DESIGN TEAM

RESEARCH

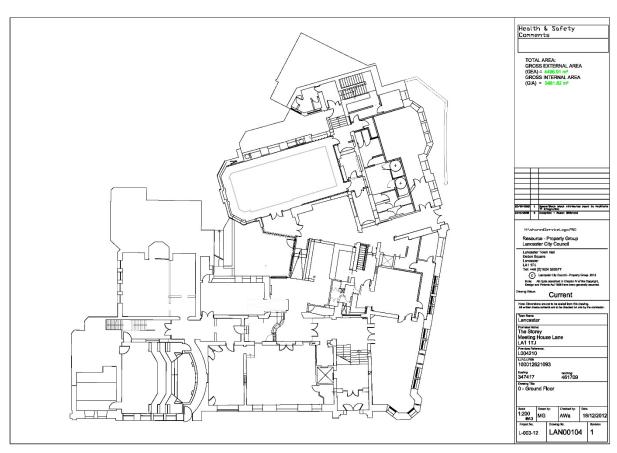
LOCAL BUSINESSES





An image of the Storey Building, Lancaster, UK





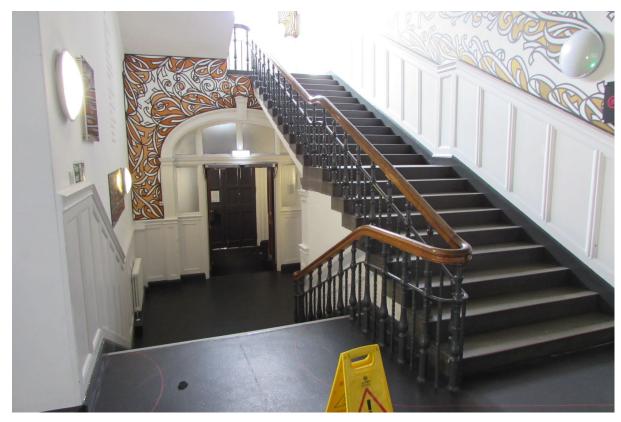
Plan of the Storey Building Lancaster





Interior View of the Storey Building, Lancaster, UK





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UNIVERSAL / OFF THE SHELF BRANDING





Q.7A how EFFECTIVE IS 'UNIVERSAL' signage AS SHOWN?

63%

BELIEVE 'UNIVERSAL' SIGNAGE IS EFFECTIVE





UK GOVERNMENT BRANDING





Q.7B how EFFECTIVE IS 'UK GOVERNMENT' signage AS SHOWN ?

60%

BELIEVE 'UK GOVERNMENT' SIGNAGE IS EFFECTIVE





LOCAL COUNCIL BRANDING





Q.7C how EFFECTIVE IS 'LANCASTER CITY COUNCIL' signage AS SHOWN?

65%

BELIEVE 'LCC' SIGNAGE IS EFFECTIVE





STORE SPECIFIC BRANDING



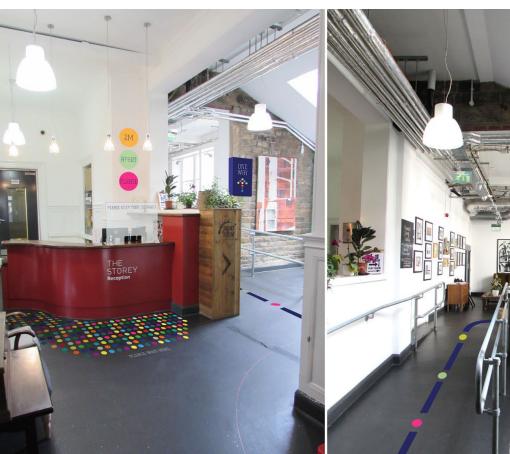




Q.7C how EFFECTIVE IS 'STORE SPECIFIC' signage AS SHOWN?

51%

BELIEVE 'STORE SPECIFIC' SIGNAGE IS EFFECTIVE



BESPOKE DESIGNER BRANDING





Q.7E how EFFECTIVE IS 'DESIGNER BESPOKE' signage AS SHOWN?

72%

BELIEVE 'DESIGNER ESPOKE' SIGNAGE IS EFFECTIVE











Ready Set Go





SHAPE AND SYMBOLS



The design is created out of three basic shapes. A circle, an octagon and a triangle - with each having its own purpose. Simplicity is key. Allowing these shapes to create a clear, precise and approachable design. The rounded friendliness of a circle is used for general greeting messages. While the universal connotation of an octagon, flags more serious instructions; while the form of the triangle naturally lends itself to directional messaging. Instruction Message **Direction**

CLIENT AND USER CHOSEN DESIGN



ROUTE 2

As with route one - using colour to coordinate different instructions, this route uses basic shape to define different groups of information.

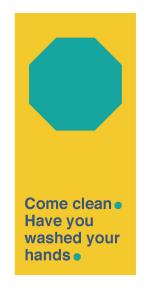
The friendly connotations associated with a circle reflects the approachability of general 'greeting' messages. While the universal connotation of a hexagon, flags more serious questions and statements. Finally, the form of a triangle naturally lends itself to directional signage.

Using a mix of blue, green and yellow of mid tones from the palette creates a fresh, friendly and confident tone, without being too 'flashy'.

Simplicity, is key in this route. Allowing basic shapes and language to create a clear, precise and approachable route.



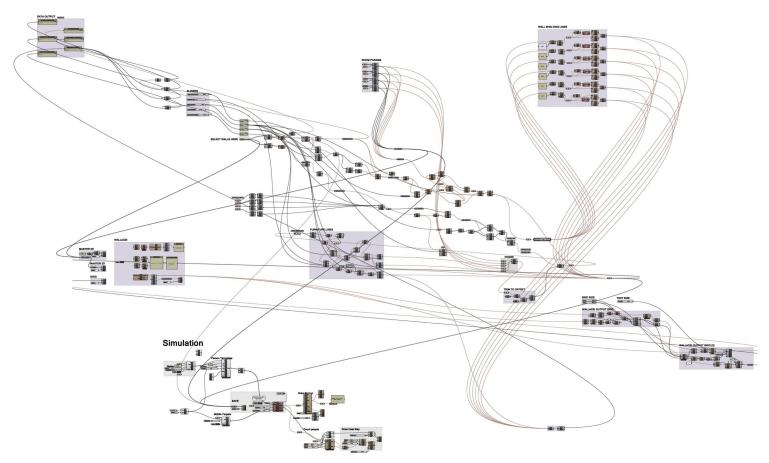


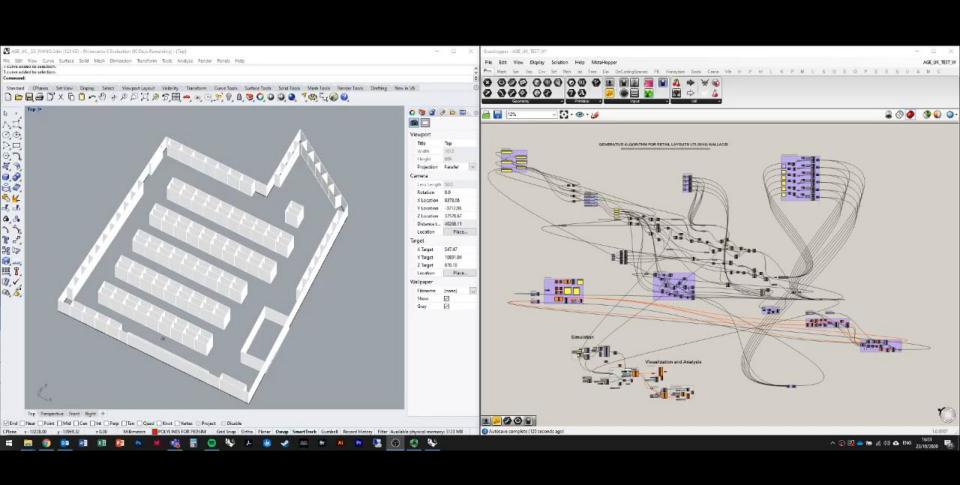




ALGORITHM DEVELOPMENT











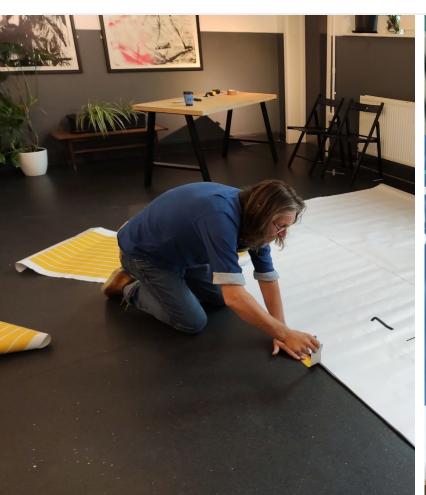
MATERIALS AND BUILDING ON SITE





VINYL CUTTING AND ASSEMBLY







FLOOR VINYL STICKERS

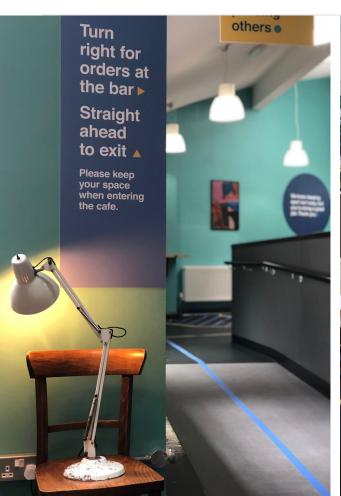






COMPLETED SOCIAL DISTANCE LAB







OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE OF LOCAL BUSINESS APPOINTMENTS



SOCIAL DISTANCE LAB @ THE STOREY												
Appointment Time 60mins												
TIME	THU June 25,2020		FRI June 26,2020		MON June 29, 2020		TUE June 30, 2020		WED July 1, 2020		THU July 2, 2020	
10:00am	Name/s:	Kim Hodges & Julie Hodges	Name/s:	Joanne Roberts	Name/s:	Will Griffiths & Simon Kirby	Name/s:	Nicola Smith	Name/s:		Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)
	Business Name:	Sage Café	Business Name:	Bells Cottage Tea Rooms	Business Name:	Lancaster City Council	Business Name:	Grandmas Puppets	Business Name:		Business Name:	Lancaster University
11:00am	Name/s:	Chris Eagle	Name/s:	Deborah Buckley	Name/s:		Name/s:	2 x names TBC	Name/s:	Lucie Carrington	Name/s:	11:30am Simon Auty
	Business Name:	Aquilla Pizza	Business Name:	Mighty Bites	Business Name:		Business Name:	Royal Kings Arms Hotel	Business Name:	Herbarium	Business Name:	Selectweb Computers
12:00pm	Name/s:	Robert Nixon	Name/s:	Lauren Akister	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:	2 x names TBC	Name/s:		Name/s:	
	Business Name:	Wray Post Office & Village Store	Business Name:	Lancaster Search & Rescue	Business Name:	Lancaster University	Business Name:	Royal Kings Arms Hotel	Business Name:		Business Name:	
1:00pm	Name/s:	Mirian Calco & Louise Mullagh	Name/s:		Name/s:		Name/s:		Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)
	Business Name:	Lancaster University	Business Name:		Business Name:		Business Name:		Business Name:	Lancaster University	Business Name:	Lancaster City Council
2:00pm	Name/s:		Name/s:		Name/s:	Carolyn Dalton	Name/s:	Chloe	Name/s:		Name/s:	
	Business Name:		Business Name:		Business Name:	Lancaster City Council Museums	Business Name:	Holm Café	Business Name:		Business Name:	
3:00pm	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:	Tom Robinson	Name/s:		Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)
	Business Name:	Lancaster Council	Business Name:	Hornby Tearooms	Business Name:	The Wobbly Cobbler	Business Name:		Business Name:	Lancaster University	Business Name:	Lancaster City Council
4:00pm	Name/s:	2 x people (names TBC)	Name/s:		Name/s:	Luiza Wood	Name/s:		Name/s:		Name/s:	
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BUSINESS CONSULTATIONS IN THE SOCIAL DISTANCING LAB





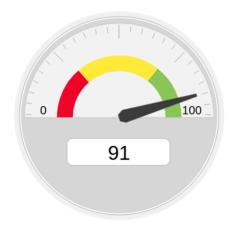




QUESTION 3

Q.3 How important is signage to maintain the government advised distance to reduce the risk of infection?

91%
BELIEVE SIGNAGE IS
IMPORTANT



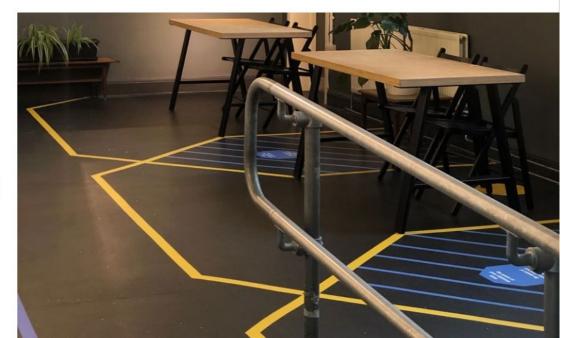


QUESTION 4

Q.4 How **EFFECTIVE** is the signage at Storey?

93%

BELIEVE THE DISTANCING SIGNAGE @ STOREY IS EFFECTIVE





QUESTION 8A

Q.8A DO YOU BELIEVE THE CUSTOMER HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING?









86%

BELIEVE THE CUSTOMER HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY





QUESTION 8B

Q.8B DO YOU BELIEVE THE CUSTODIAN HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING?



76%
BELIEVE THE CUSTODIAN
HAS SOME
RESPONSIBILITY





Hello.

Social Distancing Signage Pack.

Open Source Designs for Social Distancing.



Design

Pull up banners [PULL]

Off the shelf size for PULL01 800mmx2000mm PAGE 27. Off the shelf size for PULL02 800mmx2000mm PAGE 28.

Off the shelf size for PULL03 800mmx2000mm PAGE 29.

Off the shelf size for PULL04 800mmx2000mm PAGE 30. Off the shelf size for PULL05 800mmx2000mm PAGE 31.

For bespoke sizes please read the instructions section.





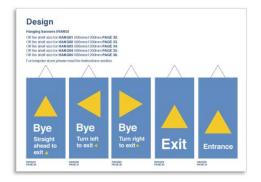




PULL04



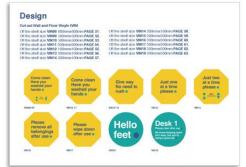


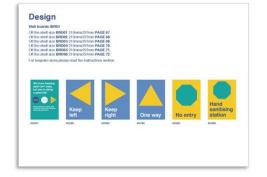












SECONDARY TEST CASE: HEALTH INNOVATION CAMPUS, LANCASTER UNIVERSITY

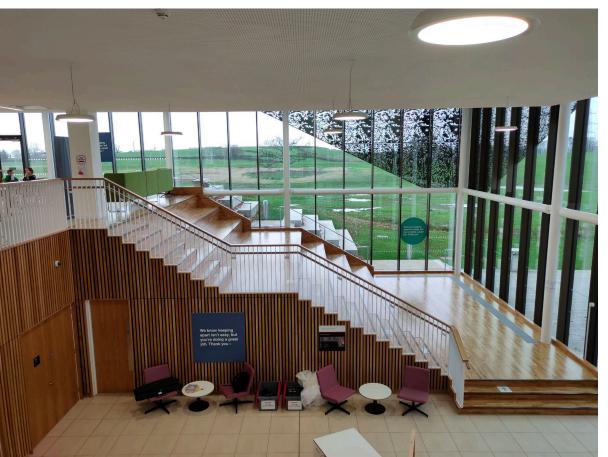




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IMPACT: SIGNS IN USE AROUND LANCASTER



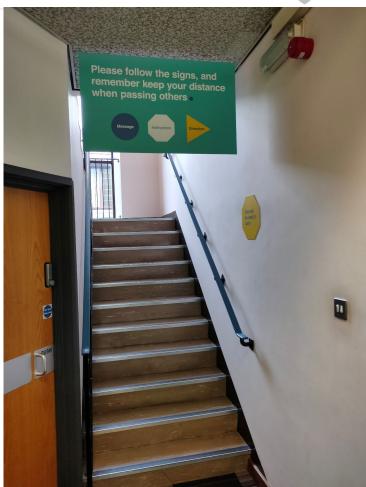




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CONCLUSION

EVALUATION, FUTURE, QUESTIONS

EVALUATION OF OUTCOMES





REFLECTION ON RESULTS





FUTURE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING?





THANK YOU