

This Too Shall Pass - Soojin Rho

The first idea for this game came from the Dalai Lama's book *The Universe in a Single Atom*, which my meditation teacher introduced to me.

<https://archive.org/details/universeinsingle00bsta>

As it was not possible to contain the profound theory in a game design, I simplified it somewhat. This work is just a simple introduction of the interconnected and interdependent universe.

The link below contains the Dalai Lama's talks on interdependence, interconnectedness, and the nature of reality.

<https://meridian-trust.org/video/interdependence-interconnectedness-the-nature-of-reality/>

The design idea came from a JavaScript code of a cloth. I thought that the folding and stretching of a cloth is similar to the appearance and disappearance of human existence in this interconnected and interdependent universe.

I wanted to express the nature of emptiness in Buddhism. Emptiness in Buddhism means that everything changes endlessly. It does not mean hollowness. But I did not use the word "emptiness" in the description on my website because it might be misinterpreted.

I used rectangular picture frames because we recognize things as separate when we perceive them inside a confined frame. However, the reality is that we are all connected and interdependent.