



## Rebuttal of simulation hypothesis

Two versions of the simulation hypothesis are:

1. We are 'real' and conscious but the rest of the Universe is a simulation by an advanced ET species (as per a classic Star Trek episode)
2. Nothing including us is 'real' – *everything* is a simulation by an advanced ET species

Scientific evidence (including in *The Cosmic Hologram*) at all scales of existence is showing that the entirety of our Universe and everything in it – including us – is informed and holographically manifested. Reality is real but its appearance of separation isn't

So we can't consider ourselves to be 'real' Star Trek crew members and the rest of the Universe, as per version 1, as a vast 'holodeck' and somehow separate from us.

If the Universe is a simulation, then we are too – and with no free-willed consciousness or agency (version 2).

Not only does this logically require us not to be 'us' and the why of a sense of self going unanswered - but it also continues the separation illusion, now being rebutted by the scientific evidence of unified reality and all-pervasive consciousness – to kick the duality can down the road with 'real' ETs and a simulated Universe.

It also fails the Occam's razor test of simplicity – it complicates without supportive evidence and in the face of emerging evidence to the contrary.