Using FlightSIM Course Syllabus

Session duration: Classroom 4 days*

*Note: This syllabus covers only a portion of the course. The other part of the course is a development workshop taught by a software engineer.

Main Objective

In this course, you will learn how to effectively use FlightSIM and receive a global overview of its capabilities and data structures.

Upon completion of the course, you will be able to define and modify Flight Models, and test them using the FlightSIM tools.

Target Audience

This is an ideal course for users and developers with basic PC knowledge that want to learn how to use FlightSIM.

Prerequisites

This course assumes basic PC knowledge.

Format

This Instructor-led course is taught through a series of lectures and hands-on exercises in which you learn how to use all of the components of the tool.

Topics Covered

- Introduction to FlightSIM
- FlightSIM Components
- Licenses and Documentation
- FlightSIM 3D Viewer
- Runtime Perspective
- Setup, Plots, Tests and Communication and Control
- Modeler Perspective
- Flight Model, Engines and Additional Loads

- Equation Editor
- Curve Panel
- User Parameters, User Curves and User Dataset
- Replacing User's module
- Communicating with Shared Memory
- Pilot input devices



Detailed Description

Lesson 1: Introduction to FlightSIM

- About FlightSIM
- Course goals
- Block diagram
- FlightSIM components
- FlightSIM installation
- FlightSIM folders
- Licenses
- License Types
- Documentation and Help
- The FlightSIM 3D Viewer
- Starting the 3D Viewer
- Training package installation
- EXERCISE 1-1: Flying an aircraft
- EXERCISE 1-2: Flying an aircraft (Training folders)
- Keyboard Commands

Lesson 2: Run-Time Perspective

- Run-Time perspective
- Perspective description
- Title Bar
- Menu Bar
- Perspective toolbar
- Simulation Control toolbar
- Run-Time Control
- Configuration panes
- Setup
- Plots
- Tests
- Communication and Control
- Projects and profiles
- Saving a Project
- Project Settings
- About profiles
- Profile shortcut menu
- EXERCISE 2-1: Adding turbulence
- EXERCISE 2-2: Doing a TEST Flight
- EXERCISE 2-3: Making a flight test

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EXERCISE 2-4: Creating a Trajectory Profile

Lesson 3: Modeler Perspective

- Modeler perspective
- Perspective Description
- Equation Editor
- Component Coordinates Editor
- Curve Panels
- User Parameters, User Curves and User Datasets.
- User Parameters
- User Curves
- User Datasets
- FlightSIM Coordinate Systems
- Axes of an aircraft
- Aircraft Design Coordinate system
- Supported reference frames
- Simulation model Overview
- Using different folders for the exercises
- EXERCISE 3-1: Creating a User Dataset
- EXERCISE 3-2: Creating a User Curves
- EXERCISE 3-3: Using the Equation Editor
- EXERCISE 3-4: Modify an engine's performance
- EXERCISE 3-5: Modify a Propeller
- EXERCISE 3-6: Summary Exercise

Lesson 4: FlightSIM Development

User Modules

- What is a User Module?
- How does it work?
- Shared library user modules
- Shared library daemon functions list
- Shared library permanent functions list
- Shared library system list
- Shared library subsystem list
- Permanent function API (Flsim Api Perm Fct)
- Daemon function API (Flsim_Api_Dmon_Fct)
- System model API (Flsim_Api_System)
- System Model Load Structure
- Subsystem Model API (Flsim_Api_Subsys)
- Subsystem Model Load Structure .
- EXERCISE 4-1: Replacing a FlightSIM default system
- EXERCISE 4-2: Adding a new FlightSIM default system

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- EXERCISE 4-3: Replacing a subsystem
- EXERCISE 4-4: Create a user module using Global Data
- EXERCISE 4-5: Creating and Accessing Private Data
- EXERCISE 4-6: Creating subsystems
- EXERCISE 4-7: SAR and RAP Examples
- EXERCISE 4-8: Replacing thrust engine of an F16

Lesson 5: Communication

- Shared Memory
- Export Buffer
- Coded definition
- nCOM definition
- Installing pilot control devices
- Using different folders for the exercises
- EXERCISE 5-1: External App Reading from Shared Memory
- EXERCISE 5-2: Pilot Input Devices
- EXERCISE 5-3: External Application Requesting Engines Startup Sequence

