Sketches for a MANUAL Of INTERACTIVITY - Jeffrey Shaw

CHOICE ARCHITECTURES: jumping between parallel tracks - channel surfing tree - fan of junctions cloud of fragments - collage - assemblage SIZES books (Calvino) chapters paragraphs

SPEED

sentences (Queneau)
words (Seaman)
Seam less

library

jukebox

videodisc/harddisc - visible/invisible random access

CONTENT

improvised story line (never the same)
multiple story lines (limited number of combinations)
parallel story lines
same story line - different interpretations (character)
different points of view (camera)

INTERACTIVITY

one person - in full control
small number of people - shared control
small number of people - each controls their bit (character)
large number of people - polling/voting
large number of people - competing for the right to control
large number of people - random selection of chooser

LEVELS

viewer as spectator
viewer as chooser (editor)
viewer as navigator (camera)
viewer as director
viewer as writer
AND the computer as partner for the above possibilities (Hal)

HISTORY

The story is changed/modified/mutated by each permutaton of its interactive viewing - six months from now it may be unrecognisably different!

Or just traces ('grafitti')

BODY and SENSES

hands, feet, eyes, voice, etc sight, hearing, motion, smell, etc.

PLACE

it happens locally it happens between localities (telecommunication/telepresence) it happens in cyberspace (the net, infohighway)

TIME

it happens at one time (short term event - repeatable) it happens over time (long term event - ever changing - without end)

METAPHORS

game (violence)
puzzle
adventure (search)
travelogue
relationship
corps exquisite
catalogue/encyclopedia

