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Cybernetic Gamelan Future Automaton for laptop performers and projections

"... soft thought is not there to be understood as a new cognitive function or as a transcendent form of rationality, but to reveal that programming culture is infected by incomputable thoughts that are yet to be accounted for." (Luciana Parisi)

The Cybernetic Gamelan Future Automaton is a network-based browser game for human laptop performers. Each performer controls its own future-gamelan instrument using text symbols while travelling inside a 3D universe of parametric architectures, visualizing how algorithms generate and represent knowledge. Based on a network which is prone to latency, and noisy gamelan- inspired synthesizer textures, the Automaton reflects the culture of computing which appears both alien in its clean and infinite shapes and rich of error, latency and noise of human input at the same time.

Instructions / Game: <https://cybernetic-gamelan-automaton.herokuapp.com>

Duration: 20-60+ minutes

Setup: 1-4 laptops with Firefox installed, 1 speaker, 1 projector per laptop

Previous performances:

24.11.17 Cybernetic Choreographies Exhibition @ Spektrum, Berlin DE

09.09.17 Sonic Festival @ Kopenhagen DK w. Kopenhagen Laptop Orchestra (Premiere)