

Designing off-screen interaction

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What is the role of interaction?

1. Making the function easy to understand.
2. Improving the quality of the experience.

ex:

Comparing between web pages
with interaction and without.

<http://kimulabo.jp/daigei/2016/example001.html>

<http://kimulabo.jp/daigei/2016/example002.html>

When you move the cursor over the button,
then the button compresses.

So you can understand that you can click it.
And you feel like you are touching a real button.

When you click the the button,
then the page smoothly scrolls down.

So you can know that you moved to the lower part of the page.
(You can understand that you did not jump to another page)

Usually, interaction design
is only an effect for a function.

But sometimes
the interaction itself is the main purpose.

Especially in off-screen content.

How we design off-screen interaction

When we plan off-screen interactive content,

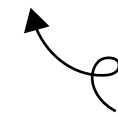
First, we think, “When you _____, then _____.”

The gap between the action and the reaction should be as big as possible.

“When you _____, then _____.”



natural and easy action



surprising and extraordinary reaction

This gap makes the experience look like magic.

ex:

When you draw a picture,
then it comes alive.



doodle zoo

by coconoe inc
<http://doodlezoo.jp>

ex:

When you move,
then snow blows.



Magic Snowdome

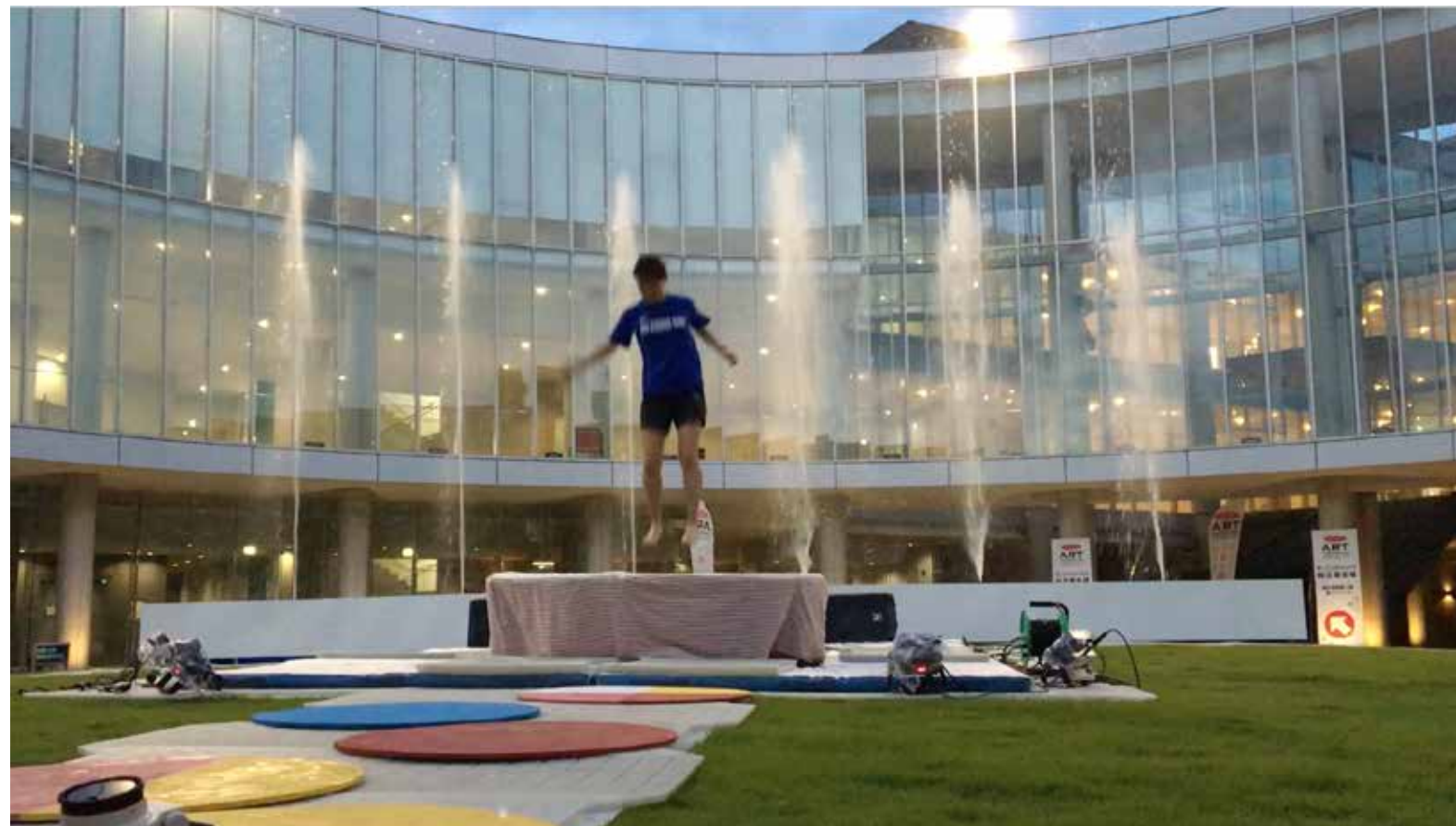
by STARRYWORKS inc.

<http://www.starryworks.co.jp/works/2014/12/17/post-23.html>

ex:

When you jump,
then water shoots from a fountain.

toberu effects



toberu effects

by d-Labo (Osaka University of Arts and dentsu inc.) / STARRYWORKS inc.
<https://www.facebook.com/kjkmr/posts/10206456034871993>

ex:

When you draw a picture,
then it becomes a musical instrument.



Craft Gakki

by STARRYWORKS inc. / Coconoe Inc.

<http://japanese.engadget.com/2015/10/12/craftgakki/>

ex:

When you turn the page of a book,
then sound plays and the color of lights change.



PLAYFUL BOOKS

by STARRYWORKS inc.
<http://playful-books.com/>

ex:

When you scratch a vinyl record,
then lights whirl and your face spins



DANCE

by STARRYWORKS inc.

<https://vimeo.com/121873176>

ex:

When you touch a business card,
then blood appears.



Business card of Darkness Inc.

by Darkness Inc.

https://twitter.com/death_co_jp/status/616831325148844032


It may seem impossible at first.

But if you know what technologies
are available, you can realize your vision.

Input and Output devices

An interactive content
consists of input and output

“When you _____, then _____.”



The diagram illustrates the relationship between the words 'Input' and 'Output' in the context of the sentence structure 'When you _____, then _____.' The word 'Input' is positioned below the first blank line, and the word 'Output' is positioned below the second blank line. A curved arrow points from 'Input' to the first blank line, and another curved arrow points from 'Output' to the second blank line.

Input

Output

To realize your vision, you don't need skills.
But you need knowlege of latest technologis.

Input devices / technologies

Camera

Face detection

Face recognition

Eye tracking

Motion detection

Depth camera

Microphone

Speech recognition

Pitch detection

RFID

GPS

Touch sensor

Range sensor

IR sensor

Supersonic sensor

Distance sensor

Pressure sensor

Flex sensor

Luminance sensor

Accelerometer

Gyro sensor

Temperature sensor

Magnetic sensor

Pulse wave sensor

Myoelectric sensor

ECG sensor

EEG sensor

Output devices / technologies

Video

LCD Display

Projection

Laser projection

Head mount display

DMX Devices

Stage lighting system

Moving head

Fog machine

Motor

Wheel

Robot arm

Fan

Vibration

Audio

Haptic device

Light

IR/UV

Pump

Compressor

Electromagnet

Solenoid valve

Home electronics

If you are a programmer, you can develop interactive content with these devices using C++, Javascript or Python etc.

(Arduino, Raspberry Pi, Edison etc.)

Even if you are a designer or it is too hard to learn them, you should know about these technologies.

If you don't know these technologies,
your idea will never be realized.

But if you know these technologies,
you can find the way to realize your idea.

If you know these technologies,
You can google to learn more about them.

If you know these technologies,
You can talk to someone with skills.

Let's put ideas out, And make it real!

If you are a designer or programmer, it is not as difficult as it seems.

Thank you :)