

Designing Graphic Interpretation

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How do we interpret?

Textual

close reading

Visual / graphical

critical literacy, compositional
(think museum exhibit / city tour)

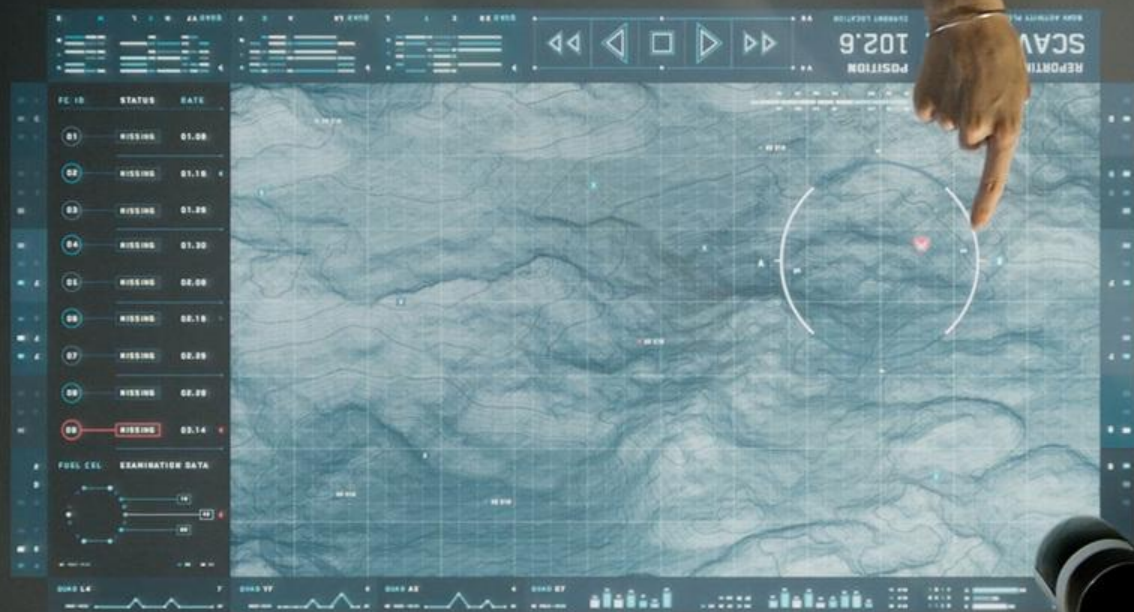
The critical properties of diagrammatic writing

In spite of the networked condition of textual production, the design for digital platforms for daily use has hardly begun to accommodate the imaginative possibilities of constellationary composition, graphic interpretation, and diagrammatic writing.

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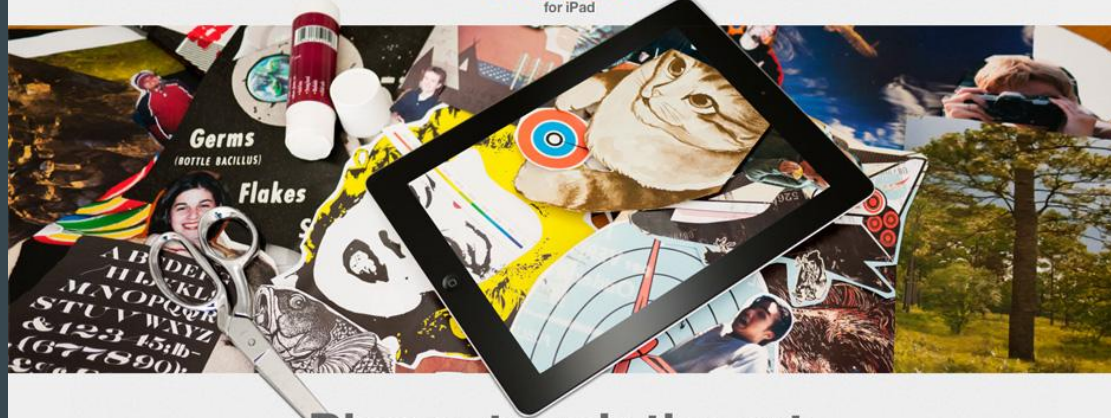
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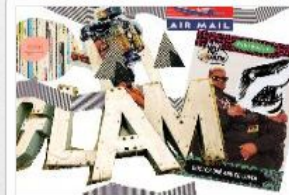
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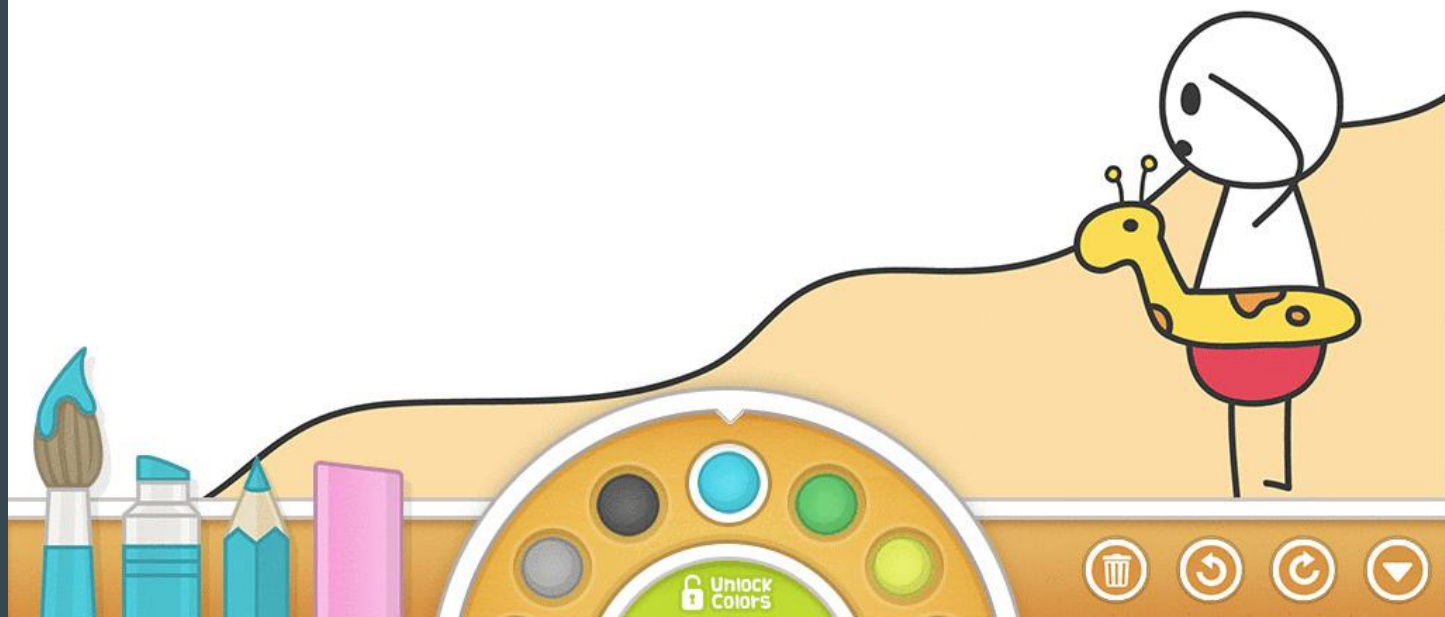
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What's in the water?

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Potential for...

The conventions and capacities of screen display and format features, the computationally enabled processes of analysis, and the flexibility of configuring relations and boundaries at different scales allow us to write differently and familiarly using digital media.

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Better understanding through critical diagrammatics

Integrating the computational possibilities of social media, live feed, linked and hyperlinked references and resources, data mining, and so on, makes us see the relations among units and lines of argument in diagrammatic modes.

Better understanding through critical diagrammatics

The contingent character of any act of textual production increases exponentially with the expansion of data on which it draws for its composition and display. The conditional text has become the norm. (1)

Authorship

- fluid texts of Homer
- authors of the Bible
- The historical (?) Shakespeare

... all examples of a more and more common condition:

The author, proclaimed dead by post-structuralists, may become the anomaly.

Authorship - Snails

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Why are there so many medieval paintings of people battling large snails?

submitted 3 months ago by Telochi

If you do some research, you'll find there's a weird number of people battling snails from medieval times. I compiled a few I found but there's many more.

<https://imgur.com/a/VjHxz>

Why is this? Did snails have some kind of significance?

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We don't know. Seriously. There are as many explanations as there are scholars.

Medieval people thought it was weird and funny, too. [They even parodied it.](#)

The British Library's Medieval Manuscripts blog, which I will shill for every chance I get, has some more great examples [here](#).

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what would soe of the more plausible theories be?

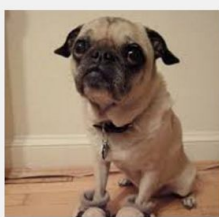
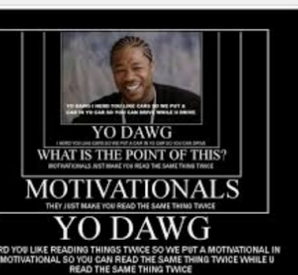
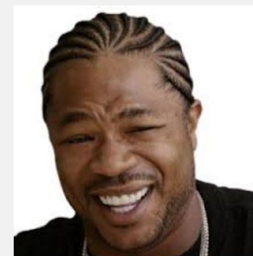
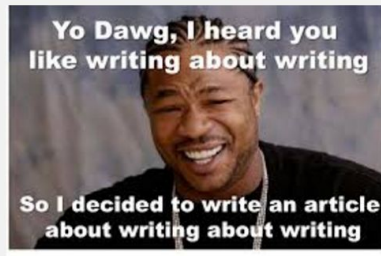
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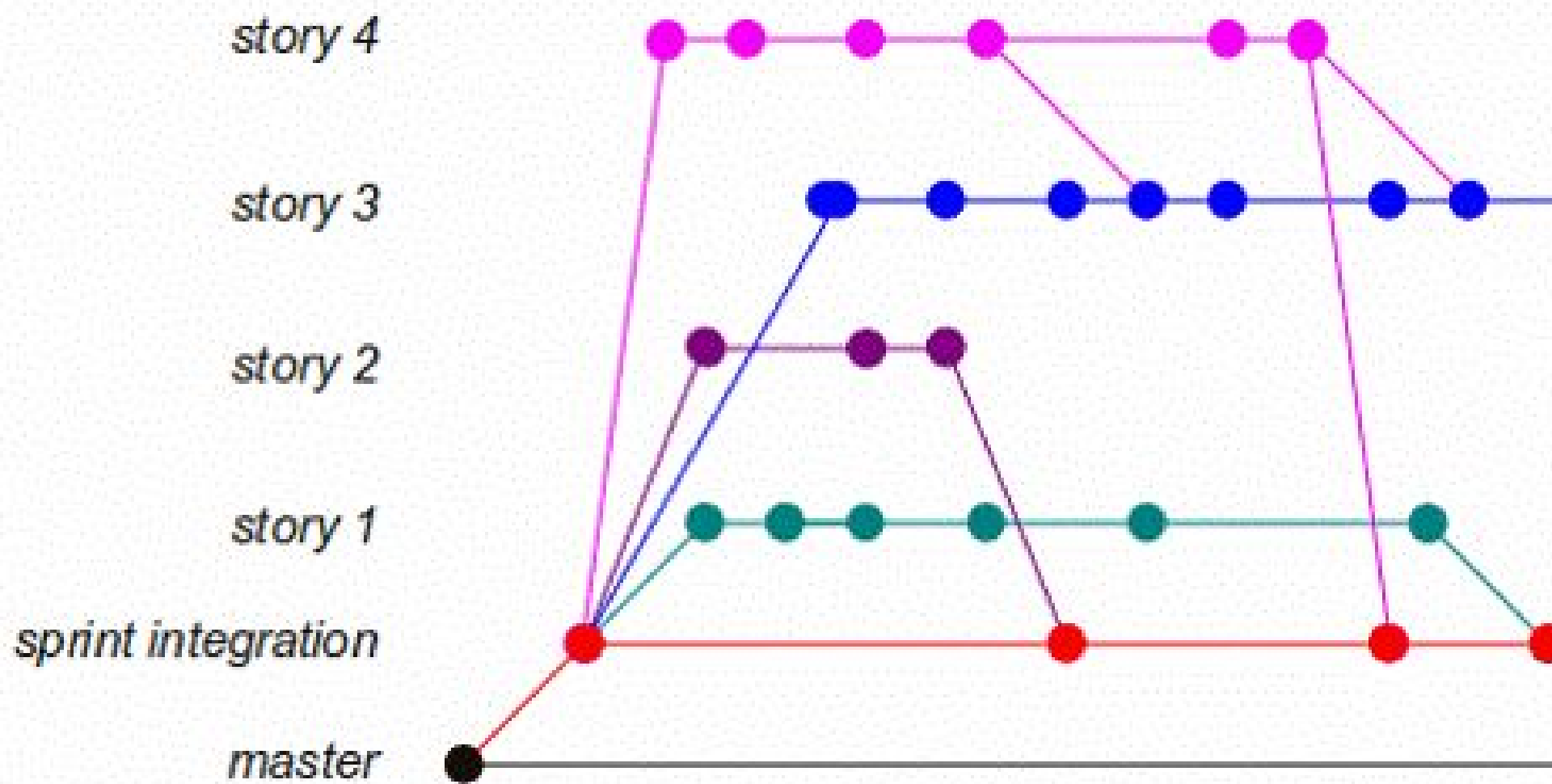
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Medieval iconography certainly had its types and tropes--I'm not sure if it was deliberate, but the bald head and the beard on the snail in the image I linked look iconographically like St. Paul ([here he is](#) in Monreale Cathedral in Sicily, built by the Normans who hired artists trained in Byzantine mosaic technique to adorn its interior). But the thing about the snails is, they're not always deployed the same way. Sometimes you have a knight jousting a BIG snail, sometimes you have a yelling angry snail on its own, sometimes you have a knight jousting a little snail, sometimes you have other animals jousting on top of snails.







Bundes-Git – German Laws on GitHub

Posted on 13 December 2012 by [Stefan Wehrmeyer](#)



Bundes-Git

German Federal Laws and Regulations
as Markdown on GitHub

If you compare software code and legislation you can find many similarities: both are big bodies of text spread over multiple units (laws/files). The total amount of text inevitably grows bigger over time with many small changes to existing parts while most of the corpus stays the same.

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Innovations

- Topic Maps
- Network Diagrams
- circular displays of text/trees
- word clouds
- mind maps
- drop-downs
- panels

note: relatively lame examples in this chapter

Multilinear / Nonlinear discourse

Embedding & Entangling text (= old practice in handwritten manuscripts)



Aby M. Warburg's
Mnemosyne Atlas

To Dos

- show uncertainty and ambiguity in digital models
- model diversity
- expose differences in ontologies as ideology

Qs

- Will we think differently because of the ways interpretation takes shape across networked contingencies?
- A return to our once-sensible reading of natural and cultural landscapes?
- Why do we always seem to fall back on linear textual narrative?
- What if man is a storytelling animal and there's no way graphesis can have the same cognitive efficacy?
- Cf. Bruno Latour *Visualization and Representation*,
- Hayles, K.: *How we think*