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game design is a sibling discipline to software and design but they re siblings that grew up in different houses they have much more in common than their perceived distinction typically suggests and user experience practitioners can realize enormous benefit by exploiting the solutions that games have found to the real problems of design this book will show you how

whether you re creating a game or a website a lasting bond with users is more often than not the result of emotional attachment knowing the ins and outs of emotional design will enable you to imbue your creation with personality and to shape the user's perception find out how to integrate emotional appeal into your website and how to turn your game into more than a cold flawless technical challenge a personal touch can make all the difference if you know how to design it table of contents inclusive design the personality layer give your website soul with emotionally intelligent interactions not just pretty building emotion into your websites playful ux design building a better game gamification and ux where users win or lose adding a personal touch to your design

just as pilots and doctors improve by studying crash reports and postmortems experience designers can improve by learning how customer experience failures cause products to fail in the marketplace rather than proselytizing a particular approach to design why we fail holistically explores what teams actually built why the products failed and how we can learn from the past to avoid failure ourselves

learn the mechanics that take your game from an idea to a playable product do you aspire to be a game designer but aren't sure where to begin tabletop game design for video game designers guides you through your initial attempts to design game mechanics it goes beyond simple description and definition to explore in detail the issues that designers grapple with for every game they create learning to design tabletop games builds a solid foundation for game designers and provides methods that can be applied towards creating paper prototypes of computer targeted games presented in a step by step format tabletop game design for video game designers helps the reader understand how the game design skills that are acquired through creating tabletop games can be used when designing video games fully playable games accompany every topic so you can truly understand and experience each component that goes into game creation tabletop game design for video game designers includes simple highly focused games that can be played analyzed improved and or modified in conjunction with a particular topic in the book integrated game design exercises chapter learning objectives and in text sidebars to provide further examples to apply directly to your game creation process a companion website funmines com which includes print play tabletop games links to online games game design resources and articles about designing and developing games

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in this book nathan hulsey explores the links between game design surveillance computation and the emerging technologies that impact our everyday lives at home at work and with our family and friends

over the past decade the healthcare industry has adopted games as a powerful tool for promoting personal health and wellness utilizing principles of gamification to engage patients with positive reinforcement these games promote stronger attention to clinical and self care guidelines and offer exciting possibilities for primary prevention targeting an audience of academics researchers practitioners healthcare professionals and even patients the handbook of research on holistic perspectives in gamification for clinical practices reviews current studies and empirical evidence highlights critical principles of gamification and fosters the increasing application of games at the practical clinical level

fun and software offers the untold story of fun as constitutive of the culture and aesthetics of computing fun in computing is a mode of thinking making and experiencing it invokes and convolutes the question of rationalism and logical reason addresses the sensibilities and experience of computation and attests to its creative drives by exploring topics as diverse as the pleasure and pain of the programmer geek wit affects of play

and coding as a bodily pursuit of the unique in recursive structures fun and software helps construct a different point of entry to the understanding of software as culture fun is a form of production that touches on the foundations of formal logic and precise notation as well as rhetoric exhibiting connections between computing and paradox politics and aesthetics from the formation of the discipline of programming as an outgrowth of pure mathematics to its manifestation in contemporary and contradictory forms such as gaming data analysis and art fun is a powerful force that continues to shape our life with software as it becomes the key mechanism of contemporary society including chapters from leading scholars programmers and artists fun and software makes a major contribution to the field of software studies and opens the topic of software to some of the most pressing concerns in contemporary theory

the play element at the heart of our interactions with computers and how it drives the best and the worst manifestations of the information age whether we interact with video games or spreadsheets or social media playing with software shapes every facet of our lives in playing software miguel sicart delves into why we play with computers how that play shapes culture and society and the threat posed by malefactors using play to weaponize everything from conspiracy theories to extractive capitalism starting from the controversial idea that software is an essential agent in the information age sicart considers our culture in general and our way of thinking about and creating digital technology in particular as a consequence of interacting with software s agency through play as sicart shows playing shapes software agency in turn software shapes our agency as we adapt and relate to it through play that play drives the creation of new cultural social and political forms sicart also reveals the role of make believe in driving our playful engagement with the digital sphere from there he discusses the cybernetic theory of digital play and what

we can learn from combining it with the idea that playfulness can mean pleasurable interaction with human and nonhuman agents inside the boundaries of a computational system finally he critiques the instrumentalization of play as a tool wielded by platform capitalism

an introductory guide to qualitative research in art museums is a practice based guide that is designed to introduce qualitative research to established and upcoming museum professionals and increase their confidence to conduct this type of research highlighting the work of researchers who are studying museums around the world the book begins by explaining why there is a need for qualitative research in museums rowson love and randolph then go on to provide guidance including theories and frameworks on how to envision a qualitative research project that facilitates meaningful interpretation of visitor experiences chapters in the methodology section begin with descriptions of featured qualitative methodologies and will assist readers as they determine which are most appropriate for their projects and as they advocate for their research the final section will prepare readers still further by demonstrating data analysis and reporting using the examples in the book an introductory guide to qualitative research in art museums will help museum professionals and students engaged in the study of museums expand their repertoire to include qualitative methodologies and explain the methods needed to conduct analyze and report their qualitative research it will be particularly useful to those with an interest in museum education visitor studies and audience research exhibition development leadership and management

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gamification is an up and coming popular trend in all levels and types of education including public and private schools higher education the

military the private sector and elsewhere gamification introduces aspects of game design like teamwork competition rewards and prizes storytelling and more into lesson plan units in many cases actual games whether it be scrabble hangman candy crush dungeons dragons and many others are adapted into educational tools this chapter collection will specifically look at the use of gamification techniques in freshmen writing courses and related composition writing and rhetoric classes each chapter will provide sample gamified lessons supported by relevant scholarship in both gamification theory and writing studies

since the release of dungeons dragons in 1974 role playing games rpgs have spawned a vibrant industry and subculture whose characteristics and player experiences have been well explored yet little attention has been devoted to the ways rpgs have shaped society at large over the last four decades role playing games influenced video game design have been widely represented in film television and other media and have made their mark on education social media corporate training and the military this collection of new essays illustrates the broad appeal and impact of rpgs topics range from a critical reexamination of the satanic panic of the 1980s to the growing significance of rpgs in education to the potential for serious rpgs to provoke awareness and social change the contributors discuss the myriad subtle and not so subtle ways in which the values concepts and mechanics of rpgs have infiltrated popular culture

new york magazine was born in 1968 after a run as an insert of the new york herald tribune and quickly made a place for itself as the trusted resource for readers across the country with award winning writing and photography covering everything from politics and food to theater and

fashion the magazine's consistent mission has been to reflect back to its audience the energy and excitement of the city itself while celebrating new york as both a place and an idea

this book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post conference proceedings of the second international icst conference on ambient systems and media ambi sys 2011 held in porto portugal in march 2011 the 10 revised full papers presented were carefully reviewed and selected and cover a wide range of topics as innovative solutions in the field of ambient assisted living providing a new physical basis for ambient intelligence by also leveraging on contributions offered by interaction design methods and approaches

this book provides the mathematical foundations needed for designing practical controllers for linear time invariant systems the authors accomplish this by incorporating intentional time delays into measurements with the goal of achieving anticipation capabilities reduction in noise sensitivity and a fast response the benefits of these types of delay based controllers have long been recognized but designing them based on an analytical approach became possible only recently design of delay based controllers for linear time invariant systems provides a thorough survey of the field and the details of the analytical approaches needed to design delay based controllers in addition readers will find accessible mathematical tools and self contained proofs for rigorous analysis numerous examples and comprehensive computational algorithms to motivate the results and experiments on single input single output systems and multi agent systems using real world control applications to illustrate the benefits of intentionally inducing delays in control loops this book is intended for control engineers in various disciplines including electrical

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