

Halasz's "Seven Issues" for Hypertext

Dimensions (1988)

1.A Scope

1.B Browsing versus Authoring

1.C Target task domain

2.A Navigators versus Architects

2.B Literalists versus Virtualists

2.C Card Sharks versus Holy Scrollers

2.D Literati versus Engineers

3. Task Specificity

Issues

1988 "Seven Issues"

1.1 Search and Query in a
Hypermedia Network

1.2 Composites—
Augmenting the Basic Node
and Link Model

1.3 Virtual Structures for
Dealing with Changing
Information

1.5 Versioning

1.4 Computation in/over
Hypermedia Networks

1.6 Support for Collaborative
Work including rhetoric of
hypermedia

1.7 Extensibility and
Tailorability

1991 "Seven Issues":
Revisited
T=Tech M=Marketing

2.1T Ending the Tyranny of
the Link

2.2T Open Systems

2.3T Support for
Collaborative Work

2.4T User Interfaces for
Large Information Spaces

2.5T Very Large Hypertexts

2.6T Tailorability and
Extensibility

2.7T Computation in (over)
Hypermedia Networks

2.1M Defining the
Hypermedia Market(s)

2.2M Developing and Using
Open Standards

2.3M Publishing Hypertexts

2001 Reflections on
"Seven Issues"

3.1 Search

3.2 Composites

3.3 Virtual Structures

3.4 Computation in/
over Hypertext

3.5 Versioning

3.6 Collaboration

3.7 Extensability and
Tailorability

3.8/9 Open Systems &
Standards

3.10 User Interfaces for
Large Information
Spaces

3.11 Very Large
Hypertexts

3.12/13 Hypertext
Markets and Publishing