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## Time Table

#### Seminar

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Dec.2(Fri.)	<b>9:30</b> a.m.	A-1 Computer	<b>B-1</b> Digital Arts	Object-based	European
		Architecture for	SC/S • John Strawn	Iconic Environments	Developments in
	12:30 p.m.	Computer Graphics	S • David Em	SC • Asao Ishizuka	Computer Graphics:
		SC/P • Dennis Allison	S • Masahiko Inakage	S • William T. Coleman III	Part 1
		P • Koichi Omura		S • George Fanucci, Jr.	SC/S • Reijo Sulonen
		P • Masatsugu Kidode		S•	S • Paul ten Hagen
		P • Tsutomu Temma			S • Torsten Kjellberg
					S • Martti Mantyla
					S • Markku Tamminen
	2:00 n.m.	A-2 Designing Iconic	B-2 Large Format	C-2 The Future of	D-2 European
		Interfaces: A Review	Film Techniques	Video Games	Developments in
	5:00 n.m.	of Three Systems	SC/S •Nelson L. Max	SC/S • Dennis Allison	Computer Graphics:
		SC/S • Aaron Marcus	S • Arthur J. Olson	S • Tracy Larrabee	Part 2
			S • Charles E. Henderson	S • Bernie De Koven	SC/S • Relio Sulonen
					S • S.P. Mudur
					S • Ian Page
					S • Roger J. Hubbold
Special Evening	Session				
	6:00 p.m.	Special Evening	Special Evening		
	1	Session (I):	Session (II):		
	8:00 p.m.	Current Trends in	Computer Graphics		
		Computer Graphics	Literacy Education		
		Carl Machover	at the Fashion		
			Institute of		
			Technology		
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Dec.3(Sat.)	9:30a.m.   12:30p.m.	A-3 Electronic Learning: Part 1 SC/S • Dennis Allison S • Robert Albrecht S • Bruce W.Pennycook S • Bernie De Koven	B-3 Biomolecular Application of Computer Graphics SC/S • Arthur J. Olson S • Michael L. Connolly S • Nelson L. Max	C-3 Mapping SC/S • Geoffrey Dutton S • Bruce Q. Rado	D-3 Film and Video Production SC • Mitsuru Kaneko P • Tatsuo Shimamura P • Noboru Fujii P • Kinji Odaka
	2:00 <sub>p.m</sub> .   5:00 <sub>p.m</sub> .	A-4 Electronic Learning: Part 2 SC • Asao Ishizuka S • George M. White Video presentation by Xerox PARC	<b>B-4</b> Three Dimensional Computer Animation <b>SC/S</b> • Garland Stern <b>S</b> • Lance J. Williams	C-4 Graphic Workstations and Workstation Architecture SC/S • Dennis Allison S • Robert D. Chew	D-4 Japanese CAE Technologies SC • Shinshiro Matsuoka P • Hirohiko Aya P • Takashi Tohyama P • Norio Okino

 $\textbf{SC} \bullet \textbf{Session Chairman} \quad \textbf{M} \bullet \textbf{Panel Moderator} \quad \textbf{P} \bullet \textbf{Panelists} \quad \textbf{S} \bullet \textbf{Speaker}$ 

## Seminar B-1 DIGITAL ARTS (Session Chairman: John Strawn)

David Em (U.S.A.): Aesthetics and Computer Techniques



Masahiko Inakage (California College of Arts and Crafts, U.S.A.) : Sound and Visual Interaction



John Strawn (Stanford University, U.S.A.) : Graphics-based Methods in Digital Sound Editing



#### Graphics-based Methods in Digital Sound Editing

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Sound, as in music and speech, is often represented in two domains. One, the *time domain*, shows the sound as it changes in time, much as a sound waveform might appear on an oscilloscope. The *frequency domain* shows sound broken into its spectral components, much as a prism breaks light into its composite spectrum. Precise control over the time domain is necessary for splicing sound and performing other operations in sound editing and mixing. Control over the spectral domain is useful for modifying sound and for research into auditory perception. In the past few years, sophisticated systems based on computer graphics have been developed to make editing in the time and spectral domains easier.

A generalized editor allowing access to both time- and frequency-domain representations has been developed for the Lisp machine by David Shipman of the Speech Voice Processing Group, Cambridge, Massachusetts. It combines the sophisticated window and menu systems available on the Lisp machine with the computational power of a Floating Point Systems FPS-100 array processor to provide a work station environment aimed at speech processing.

A number of time-domain editors have been developed at the Center for Computer Research in Music and Acoustics (CCRMA), Stanford. The first, by Loren Rush, is called EdSnd, and allows for detailed editing and control of a single sound recording. A more recent system, dpySnd by W. Schottstaedt, allows for multiple recordings to be manipulated at the same time. These editors are being used in research and especially in composition.

In the commercial world, the SynClavier synthesizer designed and built by New England Digital has an optional analysis/synthesis package which features a sophisticated menu-driven, graphics-based sound editor.

Handling and interpreting time-varying spectral representations of musical sound has until quite recently been complicated by the large amount of data: perhaps 100,000 floating-point numbers for each second of the original recording. At CCRMA, I have designed and implemented a window-based, menu-driven, graphics package for editing time-varying sound spectra. Some of the capabilities of the system are shown in the figures.

These systems will be discussed in this presentation; I will present as many graphics examples as possible. With experience gained using these systems, it is now possible to start to think about designing intelligent graphics-based editors for music. Such systems will have artistic application for composers and performers, and commercial applications in the completely digital audio recording studio of the not-too-distant future.

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flute mezzoforte a440 Channels 1:5, time .000-1.00

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piano mezzoforte c5 Channels 1:5, time .000-.954 (0-50 dB, relative to file maximum)

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