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Fear and Trembling: Jhe Humanist Approaches the Computer

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In whatsoever way any come to Me, In that same way I grant them favor.

-Bhagavad Gita

This article is a plea for power—for a decision by humanists to use to our own best interests the technological advances of our day. Unfortunately, too often does the lack of "willingness to be cause" appear in the letters and articles we humanists write each other. Take, for

The writer of this letter unfairly lumps computers and television together in their production of passive citizens and students. On the contrary, the hallmark of interactive computing is the response—both intellectual and muscular—of the student to the computer's words and the

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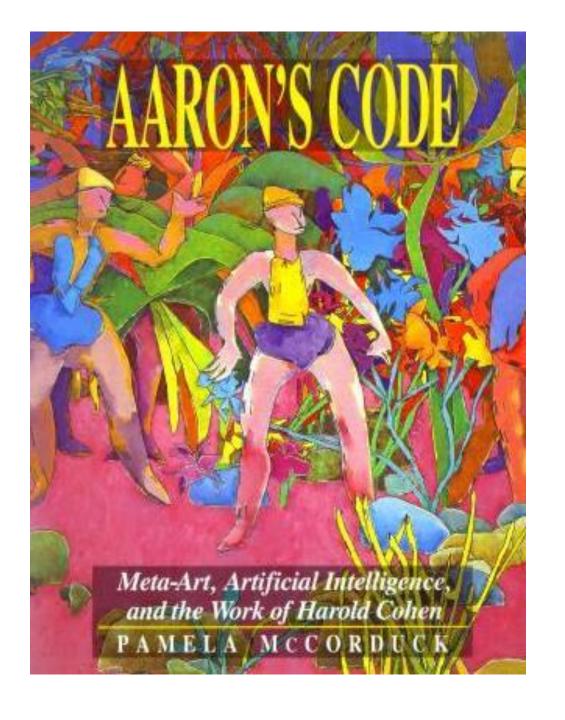


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FIGURE 4. The animal kingdom, from Carl von Linné, Systema naturae (1735)



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A SYMPOSIUM ON DIGITAL COMPUTING MACHINES

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FIGURE 5. Bowden, B. V., ed. Faster than thought (1953)

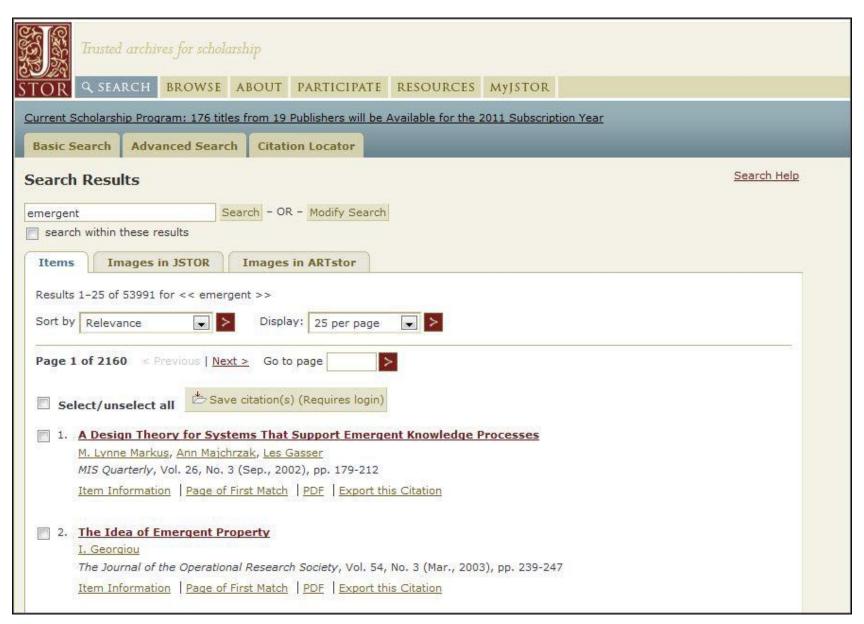


FIGURE 6. Typical JSTOR result, a "dumb" search for emergent

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FIGURE 7. Smith, Merrit Roe and Leo Marx, eds., *Does Technology Drive History?* (1994)

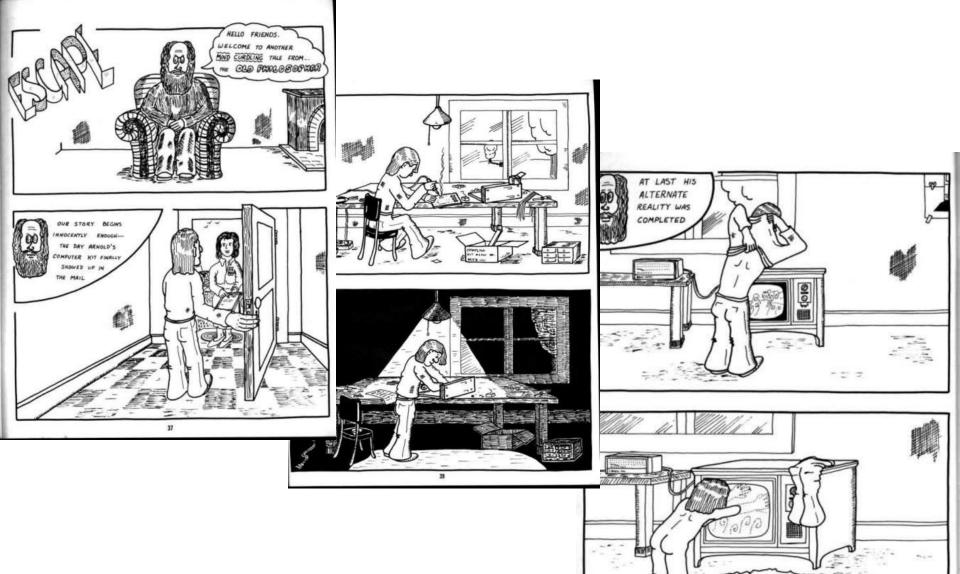


FIGURE 8. Rich Didday, Finite State Fantasies (July 1976)