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Infobits is an electronic service of the Institute for Academic Technology's Information Resources Group. Each month we monitor and select from a number of information technology and instruction technology sources that come to our attention and provide brief notes for electronic dissemination to educators.

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WORLD-WIDE WEB

"CERN, a European center for particle physics near Geneva, Switzerland, has developed an intriguing new tool for managing the cornucopia of information linked to the Internet. The World-Wide Web (W3), a global hypertext system, provides links between a phrase in one document and related information elsewhere. Unlike some hypertext, however, the links in W3 connect across the Net.... So far, pretty point-and-click interfaces for accessing W3 have only been available for Unix workstations, but Macintosh and Windows versions will soon be released." -- *Wired,* July/August 1993, p. 25. To take a look at World-Wide Web: telnet to info.cern.ch or telnet to 128.141.201.74.

RETRIEVE INFORMATION ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES BY EMAIL

The IEEE now offers the Emerging Technologies Portfolio of the IEEE/TAB New Technology Directions Committee. The portfolio currently contains 23 draft emerging technologies summaries. Each draft summary is a work-in-progress and was prepared by one of the IEEE's 37 Technical Societies/Councils. The Committee's goal is to make 37 summaries available during 1993, which will be reviewed, revised and compiled into the 1993 Portfolio of Emerging Technologies. To get a list of all the available summaries, send email to info.new.tech@ieee.org .

CD-ROM TODAY: THE MAGAZINE OF PERSONAL MULTIMEDIA

CD-ROM Today is a new magazine covering CD-ROM technologies on MPC and Mac platforms for general audiences. Lots of reviews in the premiere issue. This publication may fill the niche that the now-defunct *MPC World* had intended to fill. (*MPC World* became a section in *PC World* after only a few issues as a stand-alone publication.)

CD-ROM Today, P. O. Box 51478, Boulder, CO 80323-1478 USA. One-year (6 issues) subscription is $14.95.

IBM FAX INFORMATION SERVICE

If you have a fax machine, you can order faxed copies of many IBM publications by calling 800-IBM-4FAX (800-426-4329). New users of the service can request document indexes from 8 categories: personal systems, RISC System/6000, Application System/400, large systems, IBM services, application software, education information, or general information.

SUGGESTED READING

Shared Minds by Michael Schrage (Random House, 1990). Recommended by Sheila Creth, Dean of Libraries, University of Iowa, in her session "Managing Change: Creating the Campus Virtual Information Organization" at the IBM INFORMA 1993 conference. Schrage's book introduces the reader to the concept of collaborative environments--ways that people and their organizations can overcome barriers to change and achieve more productive, efficient and creative results.

NEH GRANT INFORMATION AVAILABLE BY EMAIL

Inquiries to the National Endowment for the Humanities regarding copies of grant applications, lists of past grantees and general program information can now be answered through electronic mail. For more information, contact Suzanne Volpe, NEH, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Room 407, Washington, DC 20506 USA; tel: 202-606-8438.

GUIDE (Graphical User Interface Designed for Education)

Announced by the California Technology Project: "The GUIDE is a point-and-click application to provide educators with a user-friendly interface to the Internet. It's available in both Windows and Macintosh versions, using the same toolbar, menus and interface components for email, bulletin board and conferencing functions and is optimized for dial-up usage through SLIP. For more information contact: California Technology Project, POB 3842, Dept. PRG, Seal Beach, CA 90740-7842 USA; tel: 310-985-9631; email: kvogt@eis.calstate.edu.

TM/2

"TM/2: Tip of the Iceberg?" *Language Industry Monitor*, May/June 1993, pp. 1-5.
A review of Translation Manager/2, IBM's OS/2 translation software. Package includes a text editor, a translation memory facility, and tools for managing monolingual and bilingual lexicons. According to the article, TM/2 is a "milestone product" because it "goes further than any translation package hitherto available in reflecting a fundamental shift in translation technology, best embodied in the concept of the 'translator's workbench.'"

NECC '94

NECC '94 will be held in Boston, MA June 13-15, 1994.
To submit a proposal for project session, poster session, or workshop, contact: NECC '94, International Society for Technology in Education, 1787 Agate St., Eugene, OR 97403-1923 USA; tel: 503-346-2834.