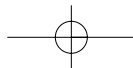
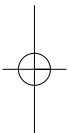
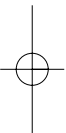
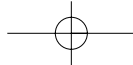


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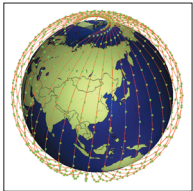
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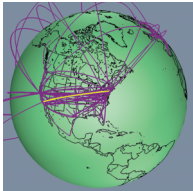


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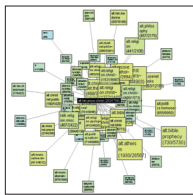
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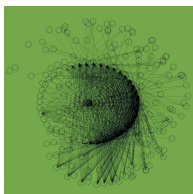
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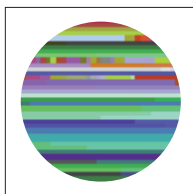
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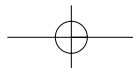
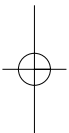
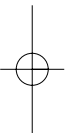
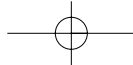
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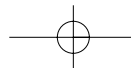
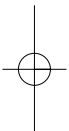
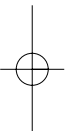
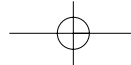
Preface

It is now over 30 years since the first Internet connection was made, between nodes installed at UCLA and Stanford University in the United States. Since then, a vast network of information and communications infrastructure has encircled the globe supporting a variety of cyberspace media – email, chat, the Web, and virtual worlds. Such has been the rapid growth of these new communications methods that by the end of 2000 there were over 400 million users connected to the Internet.

Accompanying this growth in the infrastructure, the numbers of users and the available media has been the formation of a new focus for cartography: mapping cyberspace. Maps have been created for all kinds of purposes, but the principal reasons are: to document where infrastructure is located; to market services; to manage Internet resources more effectively; to aid searching, browsing and navigating on the Web; and to explore potential new interfaces to different cyberspace media. In creating these maps, cartographers have used innovative techniques that open up new ways to understand the world around us.

This is the first book to draw together the wide range of maps produced over the last 30 years or so to provide a comprehensive atlas of cyberspace and the infrastructure that supports it. Over the next 300 or so pages, more than 100 different mapping projects are detailed, accompanied by full-colour example maps and an explanation as to how they were created.

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