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(SAS2019-10959) - THE REPRESENTATION OF THE DIEGETIC IMAGINARIUM AS ANIMATION IN LIVE-ACTION CINEMA

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Abstract

This paper is based on an excerpt of the homonymous PhD thesis in Multimedia research, which focused to analyse the differences in effectiveness of the animated image in diegetically representing dreams, memories, thoughts and hallucination in live-action cinema ("diegetic *imaginarium*" moments). Thus, this article proposes that, due to the visual differences between the animated and filmed image, the use of Animation as a medium in live-action cinema elevates the imagetic abstraction of the narrative from the *intra-diegetic* to the *meta-diegetic* (Genette, 1972). Based on this premise, the following conditions are addressed: whether an animated sequence within a live-action film visually enhances the viewer's understanding of the narrative; and whether some animated techniques manage to more effectively represent the diegetic *imaginarium* than others. The general theoretical framework is supported by some arguments of Marshall McLuhan (1995) – about *Hot* and *Cool Media*, and the concept of "breaks in a system/medium" –, as this lends itself to the theme implicit in the research process, namely, that of technology changing the ways and means of audio-visual image production. For the development of the subject, two methodological approaches were adopted: a theoretical research – about animation-cinema relationship, narrative, McLuhan's concepts and *imaginarium* representation –, and the study of cases – about the films, *Pink Floyd The Wall* (1982) and *2 Rabbits* (2012).

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