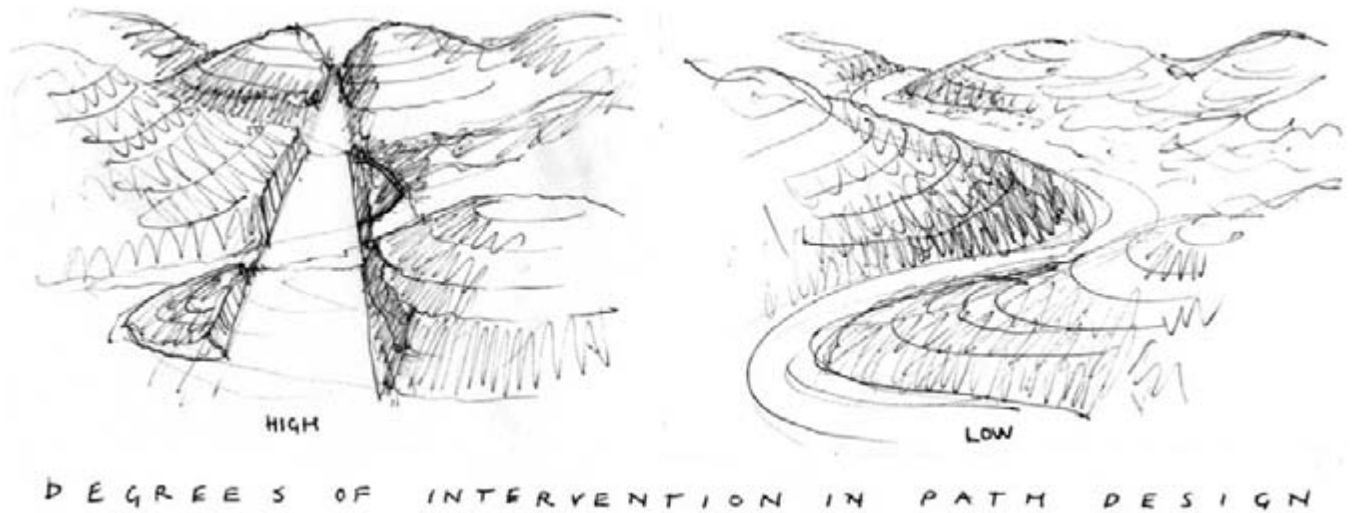


Topographic paths



A significant dimension of landscape architecture is the opportunity for inventive and subtle topographic path design.

Degrees of intervention

As with topographic space design, landscape architects must decide on how much to intervene and change existing topography in path design. Paths may make small interventions in natural topography and accommodate the lie of the land or require dramatic remodelling of the existing landform. Design decisions are informed by functional and aesthetic considerations already discussed (see pp. 83–92).

Over the following pages, examples of topographic path forms are explored that offer distinct landscape experiences.