Active helical waves produced by the motion of individual worms facilitate collective tangling and ultrafast untangling.

vulnerability

friction

vulnerability is [not] reducible to its injurability. (Judith Butler ← → Jennifer C. Nash)

A trembling thought is not a frightened thinking, nor a frightening thought one, it is the thought that refuses systems that are rigidly self-contained, and that believes that the world trembles, physiologically, in its becoming, in its suffering, in its oppositions, in its massacres, in its genocides, in its pleasures. (Poetics of relation, Édouard Glissant)

trembling

Indeterminate precarity

Indeterminacy, the unplanned nature of life, is frightening, but thinking through precarity makes it evident that indeterminacy also makes life possible. (The Mushroom at the End of the World: On the Possibility of Life in Capitalist Ruins, Anna Lowenhaupt Tsing

Precarity is ambivalent, because we are always dependent on other people from the beginning but other people can also harm us, so we need an understanding of ethics to cope with this ambivalence (Judith Butler)

seamfulness

affective infrastructure

Ambivalent precarity

nonsovereignty

If The Commons claim sounds like an incontestably positive aim, I think of it more as a tool, and often a weapon, for unlearning the world, which is key to not reproducing it (On the inconvenience of other people, Lauren Berlant)

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In the wormhole the worm creates an infrastructure to hold itself in the world: the hole fits the worm, but only as it moves. (On the inconvenience of other people, Lauren Berlant)

affect

Diagram of the crystallographic structure of a zinc metallo-beta-lactamase from bacillus cereus. Folding is part of the dynamics of proteins. Proteins are not strictly static objects, but rather populate ensembles of conformations.
Transitions between these states occur on a variety of time scales.

dependency

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The Commons

attachment

interdependency

Agree not merely to the right to difference, but, carrying this further, agree also to the right to opacity that is not enclosure within an impenetrable autarchy but subsistence within an irreducible singularity. Opacities can coexist and converge, weaving fabrics. To understand these truly one must focus on the texture of the weave and not on the nature of its components. (For Opacity, Édouard Glissant)

≠ undercommons

(neo-)liberalism

digital nonsovereignty

ambivalence

& free market

the anti-state state

≠

state

as the being together with stars

We might imagine re-turning as a multiplicity of processes, such as the kinds earthworms travel in while hoping to make compost or otherwise being busy at work and at play: turning the soil over and over – ingesting and excreting it, tunnelling through it, burrowing, all means of aerating the soil, allowing oxygen in, [illegible] and breathing new life into it. (Diffracting Diffraction: Cutting Together-Apart, Karen Barad)

smooth-flow

opacity

ambiguity

radical relationality

Inconvenience is another way of pointing to the experience of nonsovereign relationality. It does not always produce a sense of injury but does always signify the pressure of what to do with coexistence. (On the inconvenience of other people, Lauren Berlant)

counterknowledge

We say **no** to this disposal of **no** in saying **no** to this violence and injustice. **No** can become a form of critical refusal, as Angela Davis might suggest; **no** that involves commitment, **no** that requires time and work as we grapple to understand the system from which an injustice comes like a hole; **no** as part of a project of counter-knowledge, to counter with knowledge; **no** as a struggle not to reproduce injustices that exist. (**No**, Sara Ahmed)

no

reproductive networking

mutual constitution

strategic autonomy

productive connectivity

The 3300 is a time sharing mini-computer system for only 1/4 the cost of subscription services or other in-house time sharing systems. That, in itself, is very therapeutic

so-and-sovereignty

bounded beings

relational sovereignty

Miriyam A
Layal Frou
Maayke Bo
Sruti Bala

ACCOMPLICES NOT ALLIES

A colleague reports: Recently, the EU decided to use the term 'strategic autonomy' instead of 'sovereignty' because the latter term would suggest that the EU is not in support of a free market.

free flows

Maybe it is not about replacing one term by another, but to find was to cut diagonally through them

Constellations: Tracin
and probable relation

low cost group therapy

WANG's NEW 3300 TECHNICAL TIME-SHARING SYSTEM Under 20,000 [illegible]

hardware companionship

software coradership

developmentist values

mutual constitution

operating protocols techniques

COMMUNICATIONS

CENTRAL PROCESSOR

xauthoritarian infrastructuring vs. defenders territory life inappropriate/ d complexity

productive/ connectivity

reproductive networking

conditions for connectivity

Abolishing the ally industrial complex, an indigenous perspective

technological nonsovereignty

the cyst model

queer angles

intersectionality

sovereignty

endosymbiosys

Cell for Digital Discomfort, diagram of "Conditions for Connectivity," 2021, digital rendering of an abstract plain-text diagram.

autonomy

One need not be a nationalist, nor imagine self-determination to be fixed in modern definitions of states and sovereignty, to conclude that, at the end of the day, freedom is a place. (Abolition Geography: Essays Towards Liberation, Ruth Wilson Gilmore)

solidarity needs to be a condition otherwise this is all just philosophy (Miriyam Aouragh)

Effective control of the border crossings should strive for smooth flows of persons and goods. (Specific Objective 2.1: Smooth, Lawful, Safe and Secure Border Crossings, FRONTEX)

The potential of less sovereignty

vertical integration

So-and-sovereignty diagram, v0.5. Friday June 2, 2023

freedom

dispossession

horizontal integration

The Institute for Technology in the Interest of Worms

dissolution

parallelism

software companionship

horizontality

Queer ligatures: inclusive, non-binary, post-binary fonts, under construction. The fonts use the Queer Unicode Initiative (QUNI) to encode their inclusive glyphs and make their use compatible. (Bye Bye Binary)

solidarity

technological sovereignty

time sharing

digital separation

data dispossession

Do It Yourself

federation

This is a rhythm of endurance, of surging forward and withdrawing. It is not a rhythm of endless becoming nor of staying put; it is making the most of the "hinge," of knowing how to move and think through various angles while being fully aware of the constraints, the durability of those things that are "bad for us". (Improvised Lives, AbdouMaliq Simone)

Teletype Plot, abstraction of a collective tracing of wormly togetherness at XPUB (Aglaia, Boby, Suzan, Ada, Stephen, Cara)

self-determination

insurgent intersectionality

bundled beings

food sovereignty

Mycellium, circular cascading rootstructure (decentralized but hierarchical)

(I)n the ideal case, a time-sharing system gave multiple users the illusion of having exclusive access to a machine all their own (The Apple II Age: How the Computer Became Personal, Laine Nooney)

unbundling

Warning: the bounding boxes of some nodes touch - falling back to straight line edges failed at node 0[1] s[dp-mine.c:313: chkSgraph: Assertion 'np->cells[1]' failed. Aborted (core dumped)

Throwing worms at Paul Baran, On Distributed Networks (1964)
(CCRURU)

no borders

terrain

digital sovereignty

trans-sectionality

borders

The student card, the username and password, the name.surname@institution.edu email, the LDAP credentials, the eduroam account, the Adobe license, the Zoom login, the card to pay at the canteen, the library card, the badge to enter the premises — or the recorded fingerprint directly, so you can't leave it at home

centralization

flow management

Lygia Clark, Caminhando [Walking] (1964)

territory

containerization

seemingly simultaneous

Klein Bottle topology:
Inside is outside is inside
is outside is inside or
outside is inside & outside
is inside is outside is inside

virtualization

boundaries do not sit still

The Cloud

(It) is not about a relationship between the tangible and the intangible, it is about the fixed duration of a relationship of trust, and a way of structuring the future in terms of liability and responsibility (The durability of software, Erickson & Kelty)

burrowing

queering operations

extitution

#queer_is_stateless

abstraction

digital depletion

ongoing conversations with Tere Badia, Jara Rocha

Virtualization is a process that allows a computer to share its hardware resources with multiple digitally separated environments. Each virtualized environment runs within its allocated resources, such as memory, processing power, and storage. (AWS)

institutional manoeuvres

outsourcing

institutional exhaustion

control

entrenchment

state sovereignty

institutional ingratitude

Paranodal is a term that conceptualizes that which is other to — or an alternative to — a network configuration. (...) the paranode is the space that networks leave out, the negative space of networks, the noise between nodes and edges. (Zach Blas, Contra-Internet ← → Ulises Ali Mejias, Off the Network)

violence

institutional detachment

Some entrenched software is maintained, and some is not

institution

infrastructural manoeuvres

so-called austerity

organized abandonment

But even stand-ins, in times of austerity, might unionize, might move from being objects of organized abandonment (...) to subjects who refuse — who refuse to bear the weight of late capitalism's stark utopia, the abstraction of abandonment, the violence of abstraction. (Abolition Geography: Essays Towards Liberation, Ruth Wilson Gilmore)

imbrication

maintenance

Preparing a server migration