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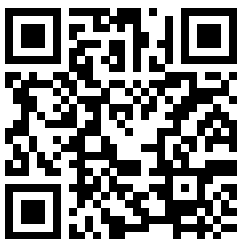
is a sandbox and sparring ground for deepening our understanding of the world ahead.

With seminal topics and diverse authors, we interrogate and develop our disparate and shared practices unto resistance.

Anthropocene is our threat model.



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“When education is not liberating, the dream of the oppressed is to become the oppressor”

Paulo Freire

**REDUX #1**  
FROM SEMINAL TOPICS



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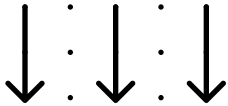
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SURVEILLANCE  
CAPITALISM  
UNILATERALLY **CLAIMS**  
HUMAN EXPERIENCE AS  
**FREE RAW**  
**MATERIAL** FOR  
TRANSLATION INTO  
**BEHAVIORAL**  
**DATA.**



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SURVEILLANCE  
CAPITALISM  
**IS NOT**  
TECHNOLOGY



SURVEILLANCE  
CAPITALISM IS A  
**MARKET**  
**FORM** THAT IS  
UNIMAGINABLE  
OUTSIDE THE  
DIGITAL MILIEU,

BUT IT IS **NOT**  
**THE SAME**  
AS THE  
“DIGITAL.”



FILLING A  
CHANNEL WITH  
**NOISE**

**BLENDING**  
GENUINE AND  
ARTIFICIAL  
SEARCH  
INQUIRIES

MAKING  
PATTERNS TO  
**TRICK** A  
TRAINED  
OBSERVER

MANY PEOPLE  
UNDER ONE  
NAME, **MANY**  
**PEOPLE** IN  
ONE OUTFIT

REQUESTS  
ON  
**BEHALF**  
OF OTHERS

HIDING  
**SPEECH**  
IN SPEECH

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OBFUSCATION: A USER'S GUIDE FOR  
PRIVACY AND PROTEST

BY FINN BRUNTON & HELEN  
NISSENBAUM

BOOK, 136 PAGES

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**OBFUSCATION**  
IS THE PRODUCTION  
OF **NOISE**  
MODELED ON AN  
EXISTING **SIGNAL**

IN ORDER TO MAKE  
A COLLECTION OF  
DATA

→ MORE **AMBIGUOUS**

→ **CONFUSING**

→ HARDER TO **EXPLOIT**

→ MORE **DIFFICULT**  
TO ACT ON

→ AND THEREFORE  
**LESS**  
**VALUABLE.**



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**GOOGLE** INVENTED  
AND PERFECTED  
**SURVEILLANCE**  
CAPITALISM



IN MUCH  
THE  
**SAME**  
**WAY**  
THAT A  
CENTURY  
AGO



**GENERAL**  
**MOTORS**

INVENTED  
AND  
PERFECTED

**MANAGERIAL**  
CAPITALISM.

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MUCH OF THIS  
NEW WORK IS  
ACCOMPLISHED  
UNDER THE  
BANNER OF  
**PERSO-  
NALI-  
ZATION,**

A **CAMOUFLAGE**  
FOR **AGGRESSIVE**  
**EXTRACTION**  
OPERATIONS

THAT  
MINE THE  
**INTIMATE**  
**DEPTHS** OF  
EVERYDAY LIFE.

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THE AGE OF  
SURVEILLANCE  
CAPITALISM  
BY SHOSHANA ZUBOFF

BOOK, 704 PAGES

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ALTHOUGH THE  
LANGUAGE OF  
**RISK**  
HAS REPLACED  
THE LANGUAGE  
OF **RACE,**

BOTH  
**ALGORITHMIC**  
**POLICING**  
AND RISK-ADJUSTED  
FINANCE MERELY  
CODE

RACIAL  
INEQUALITY  
AS **RISK.**

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CARCERAL CAPITALISM  
BY JACKIE WANG

BOOK, 360 PAGES

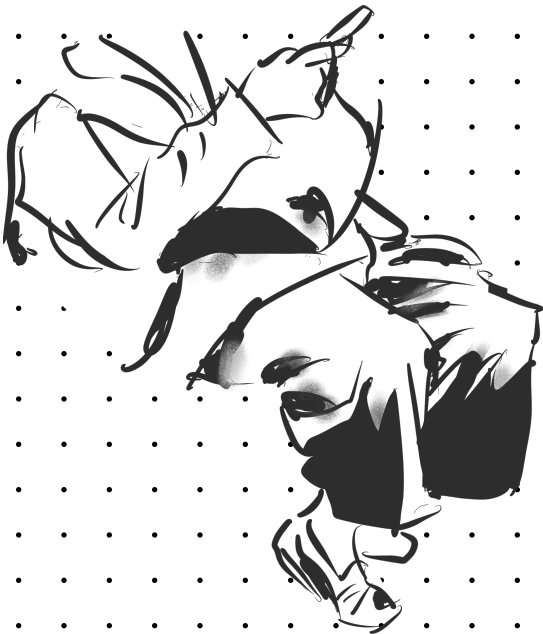
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WHEN POWER OPERATES  
THROUGH  
**AUTOMATED AND  
SELF-REGULATING**  
CIRCUITS,

THE REMOVAL OF  
THE SUBJECTIVE  
ELEMENT MAKES IT

ALL THE MORE  
**DIFFICULT**

TO **CONCEPTUALIZE** OUR  
CHALLENGE.

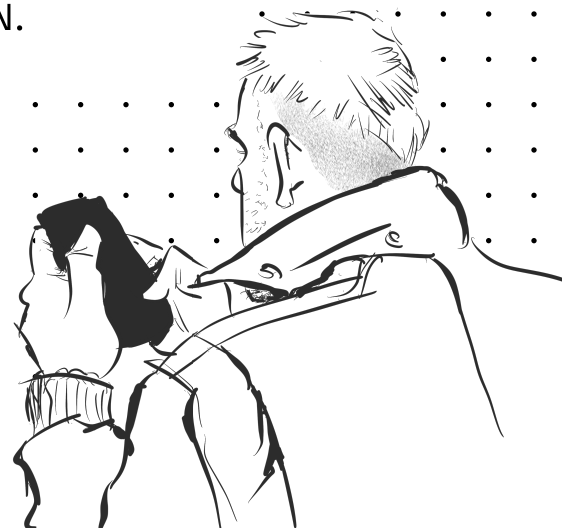


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THE **LESS  
ACCURATE**  
THESE MACHINE  
LEARNING SYSTEMS  
BECOME DUE TO  
**USER  
DISRUPTION,**

THE MORE  
**COSTLY**  
THEY ARE,

AND THE  
**LESS  
LIKELY**  
THEY ARE TO  
BE RELIED  
UPON.



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WE ARE UNDER **NO OBLIGATION** TO HONESTLY TRAIN THESE MODELS.

IF REGIMES OF **ALGORITHMIC DISCIPLINE** ARE IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT OUR CONSENT,

WE WILL NEED A **TOOLBOX OF RESISTANCE** THAT CAN DIRECTLY DISRUPT THEIR EFFECTIVENESS.

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**MONKEYWRENCHING THE MACHINE**

BY FRANCIS TSENG

ARTICLE, LOGICMAG.IO

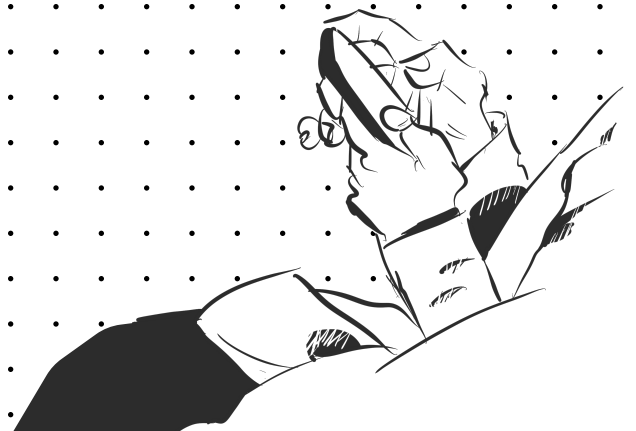
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**PREDICTIONS** DO MUCH MORE THAN PRESENT US WITH A PROBABLE OUTCOME,

THEY **ENACT** THE FUTURE.

**UNCERTAINTY** IS PRESENTED AS AN INFORMATION PROBLEM

THAT CAN BE OVERCOME WITH **COMPREHENSIVE DATA COLLECTION**



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INVISIBLE  
FORMS OF  
POWER ARE  
CIRCULATING  
ALL AROUND US,

CIRCUMSCRIBING  
AND **SORTING** US

INTO INVISIBLE  
CELLS THAT  
**CONFINE** US

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THERE'S A WHOLE  
**POLITICAL  
ECONOMY**  
THAT RUNS ON

**ASYMMETRIES**  
OF INFORMATION

AS A FORM OF  
**CONTROL.**



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YOUR JOB IS TO  
TRAIN A  
MACHINE

TO KNOW WHAT THE  
“HUMAN” IS

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WHEN SEEN  
ENTIRELY FROM  
THE  
PERSPECTIVE OF  
CON-  
SUMING.



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I CALL THE  
EMERGING  
RULING  
CLASS

THE  
VECTORALIST  
CLASS,

BECAUSE THEIR  
CLASS POWER  
DERIVES FROM

OWNERSHIP AND  
CONTROL OF THE  
VECTOR OF  
INFORMATION.

”

CAPITAL IS DEAD  
BY MCKENZIE WARK

BOOK, 208 PAGES