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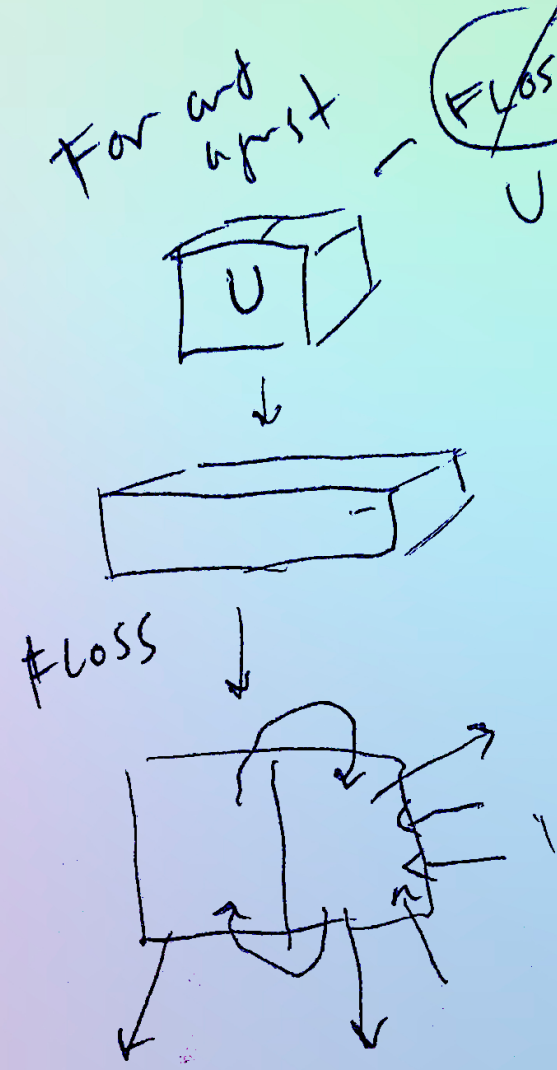


Little boxes on the hillside
Little boxes made of ticky tacky
Little boxes on the hillside
Little boxes all the same

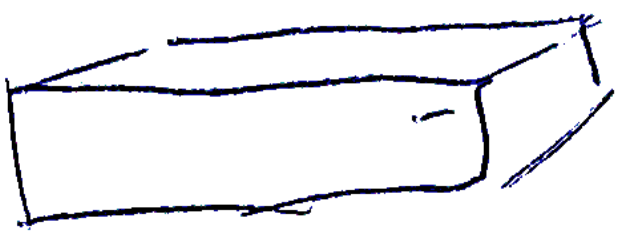
There's a green one and a pink one
And a blue one and a yellow one
And they're all made out of ticky tacky
And they all look just the same

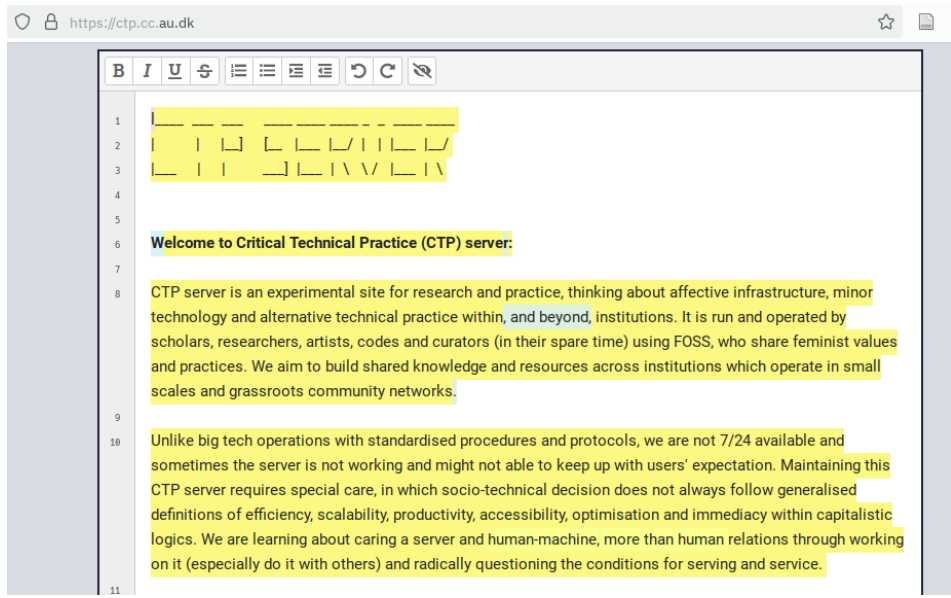
And the people in the houses
All went to the university
Where they were put in boxes
And they came out all the same

And there's doctors and lawyers
And business executives
And they're all made out of ticky tacky
And they all look just the same

(Little Boxes 1962, Malvina Reynolds)

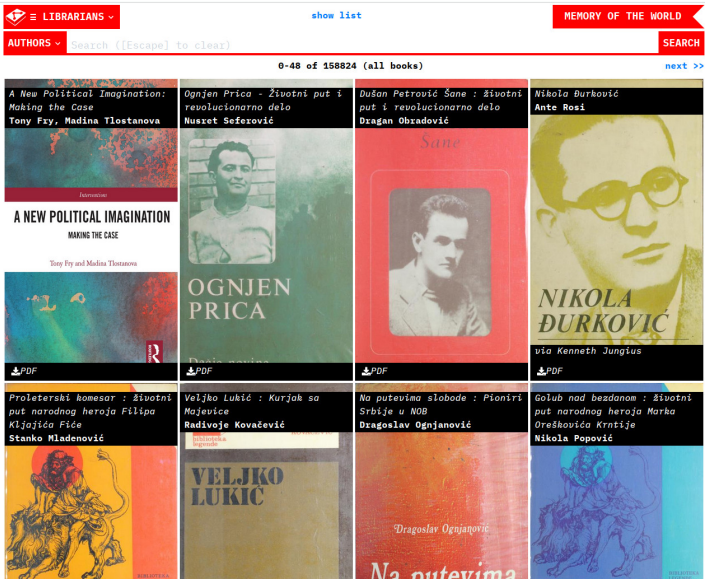
"the person that is homogenized, fixed in time and space, identical to itself, is an invention of capitalism seeking to produce a capable and willing, regularized workforce out of people orientating themselves around chance, magic, and different notions of time and need." (Goriunova talking about Federici, p. 7)





CTP server inspired, among others, by:

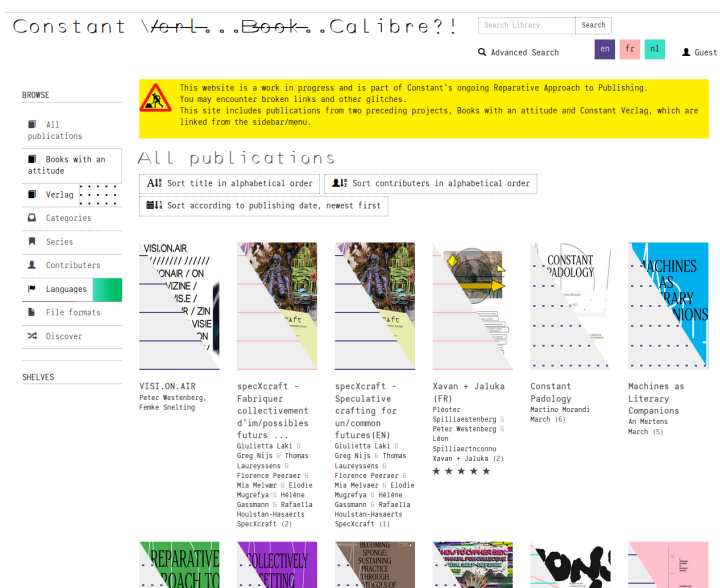
systerserver: https://systerserver.net/
in-grid: https://www.in-grid.io/
varia: https://vvvvvvaria.org/en/
servpub: https://servpub.net/
anarchaserver: https://alexandria.anarchaserver.org/
trans*feminist servers: https://etherpad.mur.at/p/tfs



https://library.memoryoftheworld.org/

"the shadow library projects (...) create subject positions that re-define horizons of possibility through intervening into and widening the process of subjectivation" (Goriunova)

- Memory of the world: https://library.memoryoftheworld.org/
- bibliotecha: https://test.roelof.info/projects/bibliotecha/
- Lumburg library: https://books.lumbung.space/
- Constant library: https://calibre.constantvzw.org/
- compendium / SERVPUB: https://compendium.copim.ac.uk/tools/136
- CSNI / SERVPUB: https://www.centreforthestudyof.net/?p=7032



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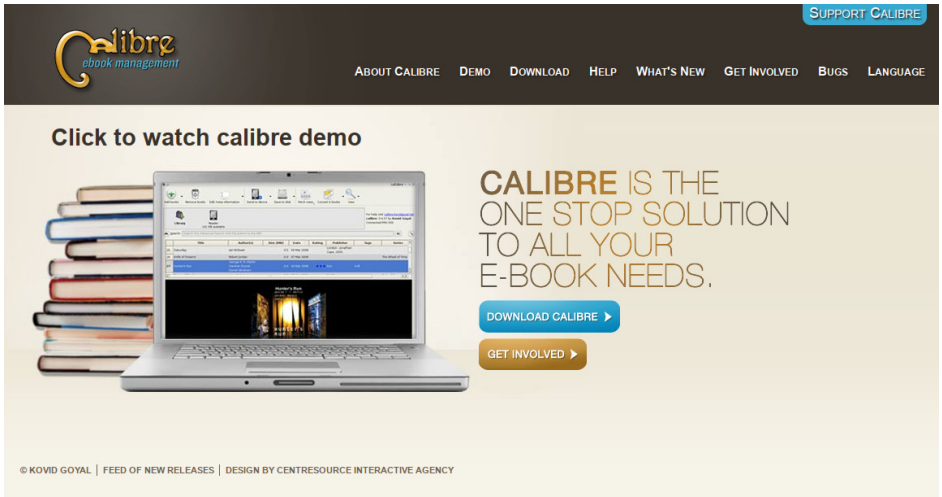

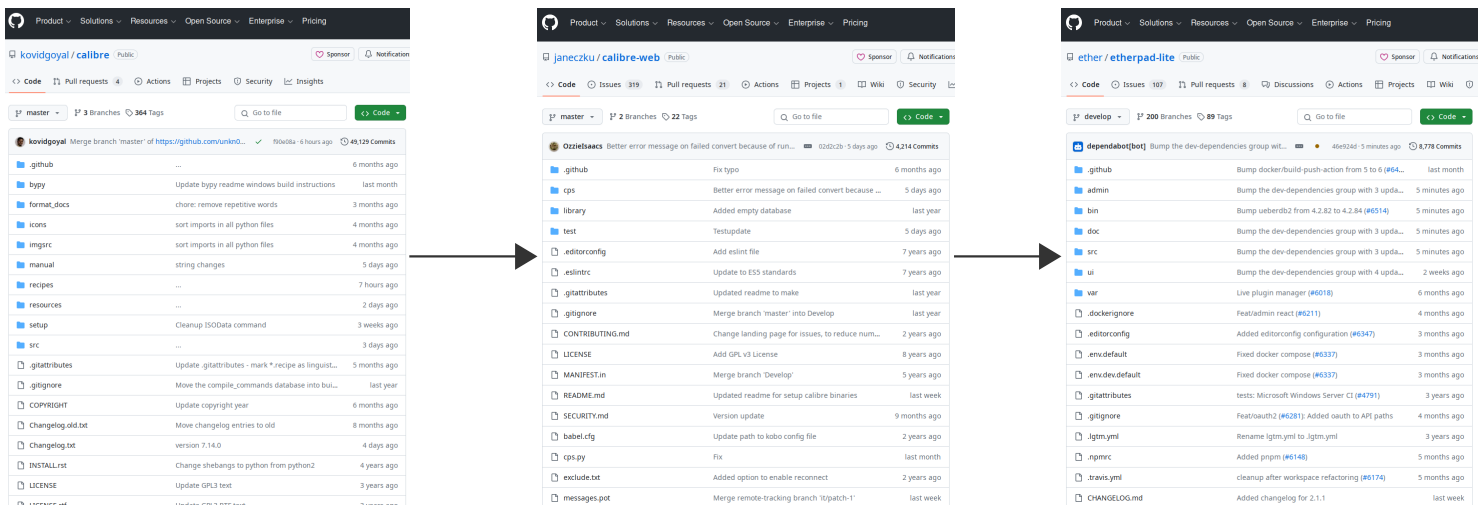

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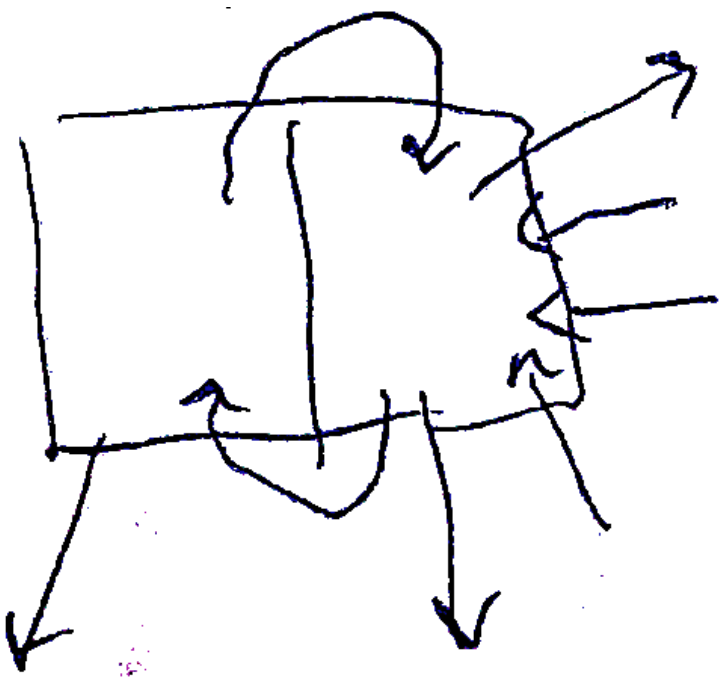
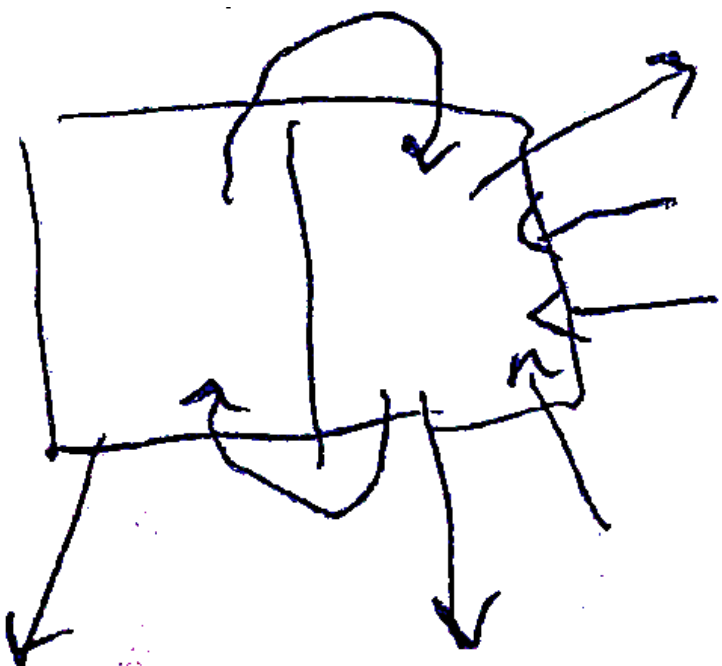
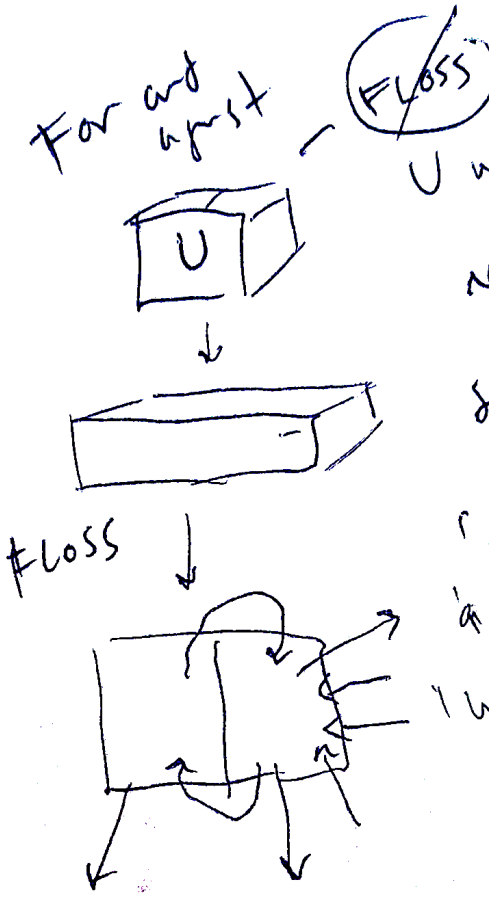


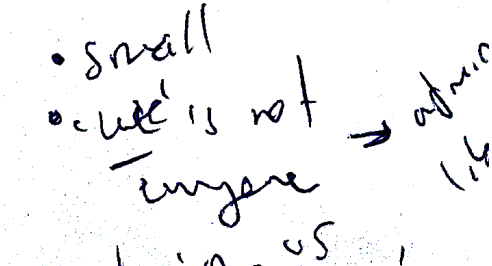
a "wild place that that continuously produces its own unregulated wildness" (intro Undercommons, Jack Halberstam, p. 7)

"When I say “with and for,” I mean studying with people rather than teaching them, and when I say “for,” I mean studying with people in service of a project" (Harney, p. 147)



- A ritual / a practice balancing over an "epistemic infrastructure" (Mattern 2014)
- A box that we open in a forest (neither a server, nor a university box), following Federici's argument that forests as sites of collectivity and cooperation.
- Where "we" as a collective happens





"But" considerations

- small container for small events (minor tech)
- not an archive or book repository like other libraries
- not hosted by a "for-profit" type of educational institution, yet within the universe of being fit for state's subjection (the need and shape of critique is more subtle)
- "we" is not everyone (accessibility politics)

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