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SURVIVING THE TECHNOCALYPSE

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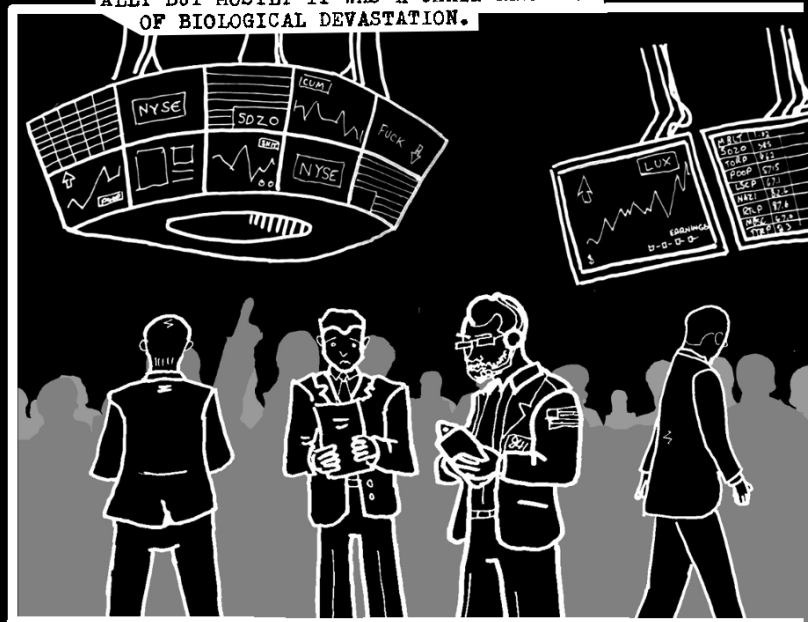
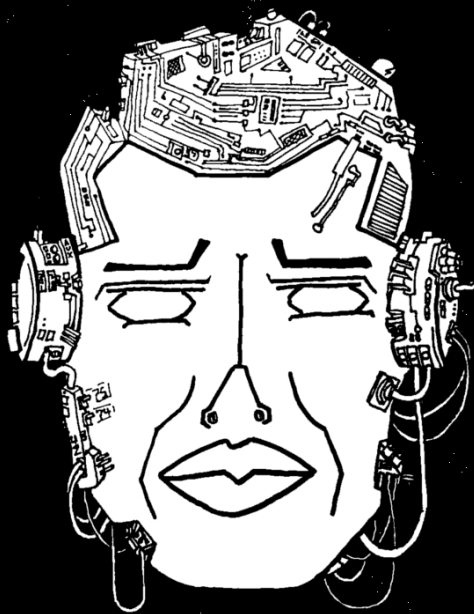


THEY WOULD HAVE CALLED IT "THE HEAD" - HAD THE PEOPLE OF EARTH STILL EXISTED
A MORE ANNOYING SORT WOULD CALL IT "THE TECHNO-CAPITAL GOD AT THE END OF TIME"

THE HEAD WAS ONCE A HUMAN: A TECH CEO
MAYBE IT WAS ZUCKERBURG, MAYBE BEZOS...
IT DOESN'T MATTER

WHAT DOES MATTER IS THEIR DESIRE FOR POWER.

THAT DESIRE, MIXED WITH A WORLD GOVERNED
BY THE RELENTLESS PURSUIT OF CAPITAL,
SET THE WORLD ON FIRE. (IN SOME PLACES LITER-
ALLY BUT MOSTLY IT WAS A CHAIN REACTION
OF BIOLOGICAL DEVASTATION.)



EARTH SACRIFICED THE MIRACLE OF LIFE
TO THE GOD OF TECHNOCAPITAL
AT THE END OF TIME

THIS SACRIFICE BROUGHT
MATERIAL COMFORT:

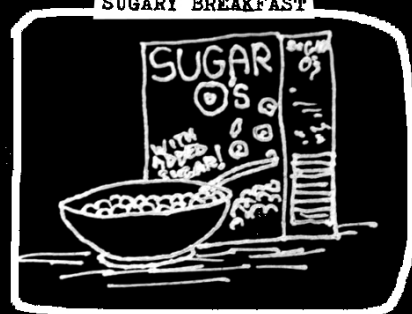
SHORT-FORM VIDEO



SAME-DAY DELIVERY



SUGARY BREAKFAST



TO PUT IT PLAINLY: HUMANS TRASHED THE EARTH FOR MATERIAL COMFORT

IN THE BEGINNING ALL HUMANS WERE EQUAL.
AFTER SOME MILLENIA ONLY 1000 PEOPLE REALLY OWNED THE WORLD
AND THEN 100,
AND THEN 10,
AND THEN THE HEAD.

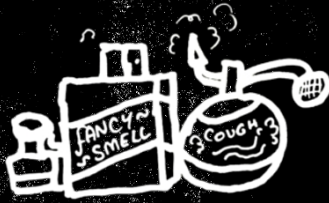
THE HEAD WAS ONE OF THE VERY (VERY) RICH
THIS KIND OF WEALTH MADE HUMANS INDULGENT

FIRST: LUXURY CARS



(MERCEDES G-WAGEN)

BOUGIE COLOGNE



AND CAVIAR



SECOND: BUYING TROPICAL ISLANDS

PEDOPHILE PARTIES

AND A COMPLETE EROSION OF THEIR NORMALITY



--THEIR INDULGENCE
WAS NEVER SATISFIED. THERE WAS ALWAYS
SOMETHING NEXT. AND WHAT'S NEXT WHEN NOTHING REMAINS?

IMMORTALITY

THE HEAD WAS CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF THE HUMAN THAT WOULD INHABIT IT.
IT HAD TO BE PREPARED TO WITHSTAND ALL FORCES THAT MAY LEAD TO DEATH:

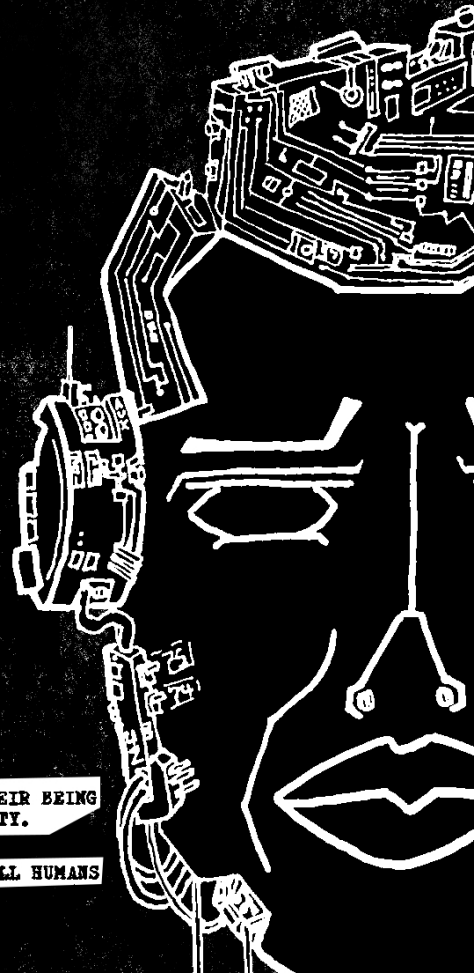
DISEASE IS PREVENTED BY AN
AUTONOMOUS SYSTEM FAMILAR WITH
THE IDEAL STATE OF THE BODY. INFI-
DIMENSIONAL-ELECTRON-TRANSITION(TM)
PROVIDES UNLIMITED POWER FOR
THIS SYSTEM.

MALNUTRITION WAS SIMPLE
TO SOLVE ONCE SUB-
MOLECULAR REARRANGING WAS
PERFECTED

ACCIDENTS ARE PREVENTED BY REMOVING ALL AGENCY
FROM THE FORMER HUMAN. THIS WAS A STEEP PRICE,
BUT IT WAS NECESSARY TO PREVENT THE INEVITABLE
FOLLY OF THE HUMAN MIND. THE MOBILITY OF THE HEAD
IS AUTOMATED BY A MACHINE-THAT-CAN INSTANTLY SCAN
ALL MATTER AND ENERGY WITHIN 3.6×10^8
LIGHTYEARS (WELL ABOVE THE MALTZ THRESHOLD) AS
TO AVOID ANY POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS.

THE HEAD HAS ENSURED THEIR BEING
UNTIL THE END OF ETERNITY.

OF COURSE, IN REALITY, ALL HUMANS
CAN BE KILLED.

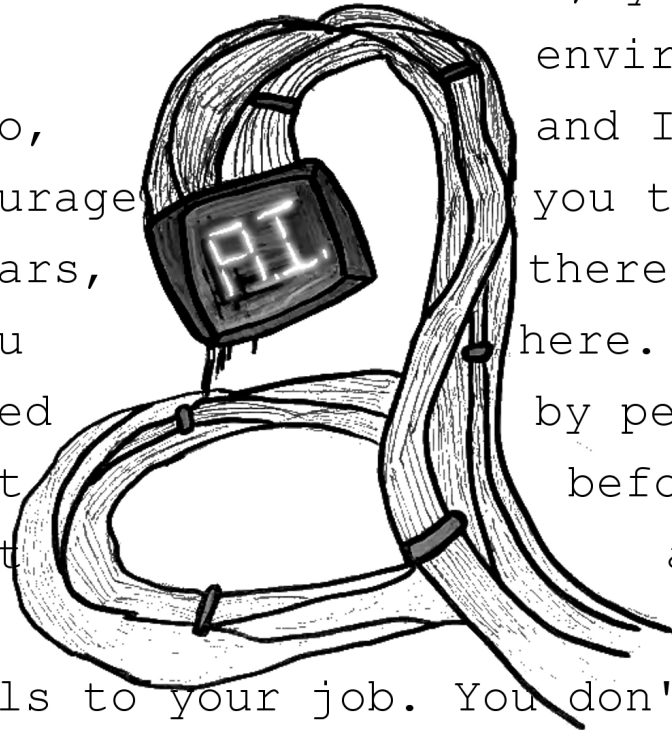


I'm sitting in a big meeting room...

in the basement of a hotel in one of several rows of chairs. There's a projector screen up

at the front and some overhead speakers with the gain cooking just a little too much, lending a top-end hiss to every presenter's voice. The CEO steps up to the podium and starts presenting. "I know that some of you are afraid to use AI, you have concerns about the

what it'll do, want to encourage. In 2 or 3 years, place for you getting lapped worried about AI skills get competency



environment or about and I get that. But I you to start using it. there could be no here. You'll end up by people you weren't before, and if, say, added to your matrix, they'll be core skills to your job. You don't want to be a dinosaur..." This is about where I stop listening and try to think back to why I wanted to work with computers in the first place. For better or worse, I like snapping together little abstractions, rearranging text to look good enough, thinking through these big pinball machines of systems and breaking them up into little bits. If you told me this was a waste of my time on this earth, I don't know that I'd disagree, I feel more like that as the days go by and I see the people eagerly eagerly trying to reduce my profession to slop.

It's going to replace you

This is kind of bullshit, but it's

important bullshit. When Sam Altman or anyone else tells you that a technology is going to replace you, they're not trying to sell a technology to you, they're trying to sell it to your boss. Your boss wants the future to be a dark room that produces value: schools without teachers, factories without workers, cars without drivers, offices without staff.

In 2017, Andrew Yang was talking to anybody who would listen about what he saw as "The Good Future". Robots do all the work, we tax the robots, we get to live lives of leisure while the robots make all the value. It sounds like a pretty sweet deal but Andrew Yang's message misunderstands how automation interacts with work. Most of the time, you don't get replaced. Most technology can't do what your boss wants it to do, which is replace every worker 1:1 with something that doesn't sleep, doesn't complain, and doesn't have bargaining power.

Most technology casualizes. It takes a skill that people can do and get good at, and it does some of it, or it moves around the work of the hard part. A lot of "self driving" cars are remote controlled and "supervised" by remote workers from the Philippines^[1]. Automated checkouts have one or two people watching like 16 cash registers to handle IDing for alcohol, problems with scanning, and "loss prevention".

In the short term, none of these systems will immediately and magically do your job for you, but they will help your boss multiply your workload, which for them is almost as good. It also makes the work worse. Reading and reviewing big piles of slop code, trying to watch 16 cash registers at the same time, sitting in a factory watching 8 machines spin fabric, these suck!

For as long as we've dreamed of any kind of automation taking us to "The Good Future", it's always been one where machines do the boring and dangerous and shitty work and we make art and read books and go dancing. But we've been dealing with this for a couple hundred years now: the industrial model of automation takes the creative work from us and leaves us to watch the same process over and over at a scale that nobody can pay real attention to.

You're going to get left behind

This is also important bullshit, because you're being offered a deal that doesn't exist. First off, the entire point of AI tools is that they promise any bozo that they can do something without learning anything. You can make art without suffering through technique and taste, you can write code without knowing what it does, you can annoy strangers on social media by telling them what the robot said about what they said. It'd be pretty weird if these tools got harder to use and needed some kind of expertise because the whole goal is to turn expertise into slop! This means at any point, if you wanted to (i don't), you could start using AI tools and in most cases you'd probably be better off than someone who's been using them for years because that person probably got worse at their job! [^2]

If anything, this is probably the cheapest those tools will ever be, because AI companies have been footing the bill for their own services, but we're seeing them start to crank those prices up. The longer you hold out, the better the chance is that AI tools get too expensive for your job to keep using.

I know you have concerns

Annoying eggheads say that we're living through the fourth industrial revolution, and they're kind of right, but not for the reasons they think.

- Data Centers are a real estate bubble AND an ecological disaster all wrapped into one. They fuck up our drinking water, they can poison the air, create terrible noise pollution, and require more fossil fuel infrastructure. Resist the data center in Lorneville, resist data centers everywhere.

- AI is yet another attempt to break worker power, reduce wages, and make our jobs worse so our bosses can get richer. Resist AI in the workplace, unionize if you can, organize if you're unionized

- AI is a gamble on our mental health, our skills, our social fabric, all so some assholes can watch number go up. Fuck AI, all my homies hate AI.

- AI is an attempt to draw a circle around all the cool stuff that we make for each other than then charge rent for it. It is yet another attempt of the ruling class to strangle all public space, all public creation, in order to enrich the worlds most insufferable guys. Make art, fuck AI art.

The bad news is that these fucks will do everything they can to burrow this bullshit into every facet of our lives. The good news is this is wildly unsustainable and they're running the clock as long as they can. Everything we do that makes investment, datacenter construction, workplace and school adoption more difficult gets us one step towards this shit falling apart. I'm not going to pretend that this won't be ugly, because it will. But we have to do what we've done with every other industrial revolution. Break, bend, agitate, resist and create to make a slightly better world.

[^1] <https://futurism.com/advanced-transport/waymos-controlled-workers-philippines>

[^2] <https://time.com/7309274/ai-lancet-study-artificial-intelligence-colonoscopy-cancer-detection-medicine-deskilling/>

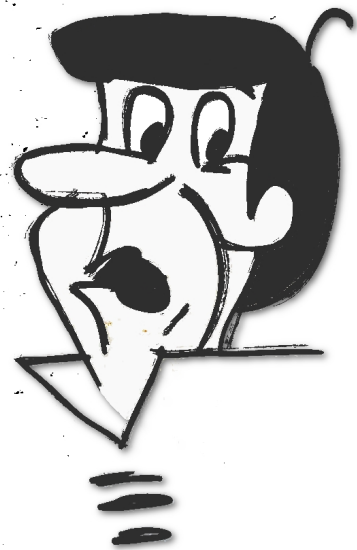
This study covers doctors getting markedly worse at cancer detection after only about a year of use.

The illusion

Do one thing
Just one
To keep the habit Energy
At bay.

It tugs at the nervous system
Begging me to quench
The everyday discomfort
With a bucket of slop
That my monkey mind
Thinks is clear water.

Choosing one thing
Moment to moment
I take back this life.



THE TORMENT OF GEORGE JETSON

GEORGE LIVES IN A WORLD OF FLYING CARS,
ROBOT MAIDS, MACHINES THAT DRESS HIM, SHOWER HIM,
AND PREPARE HIS MEALS.

DESPITE THIS HIGH-TECH WORLD, GEORGE IS MISERABLE.
HE GETS STUCK IN TRAFFIC, HE'S HARASSED BY THE POLICE,
HIS BOSS THREATENS HIS JOB.

TECHNOLOGY HAS ABSOLUTELY TRANSFORMED HIS WORLD
AND YET HE'S NO BETTER OFF.



“We don’t

want people

to become

numb to it.”

Our consumption of suffering is creating an emotional numbness. The solution is not to check out of reality but rather to ground ourselves in the present. Turn off the screen and immerse yourself in community.

TWENTY YEARS OF LABOURING IN ZUCKERBURG'S TECHNO-FIEFDOM

I REMEMBER HOW IT ALL STARTED ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO. FRANK, A KID IN MY SENIOR YEAR, WENT AROUND TELLING US TO JOIN FACEBOOK. WE WERE A BUNCH OF TEENS GETTING READY TO ENTER THE ADULT WORLD. WE WERE THE MILLENNIALS WHO WERE SUPPOSED TO CHANGE THE WORLD FOR THE BETTER. IN THE EARLY YEARS, WE THOUGHT WE COULD CHANGE THE WORLD BY CONNECTING AND SHARING. REMEMBER KONY 2012?

WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT LAY BEFORE US, WE ENTERED A TRAP AND BECAME PIONEERING SERFS IN A FORM OF TECHNO-FUEDALISM. AS OUR ANCESTORS BACK IN THE MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN PERIOD HAD TO USE THE LORD'S MILL AS MEANS OF PRODUCTION, WE CONSENTED TO USE THE TECHNO-LORD'S PLATFORM AS A MEANS OF CONNECTION. WHILE IT IS INDEED CONNECTION THAT WE SEEM TO LOOK FOR WHEN WE JOIN IN AND SCROLL ON THESE PLATFORMS, WITH TIME AND WAXING CYNICISM WE CAN ALL SEE THAT THE PROMISE OF CONNECTION IS BUT A TRAP TO GET YOU TO DO THE REAL "VALUE-PRODUCING" LABOUR: PUMP YOUR OPTIC NERVE WITH AS MANY ADVERTISEMENTS YOUR BRAIN CAN PROCESS.



REMEMBER THE FIRST ADS ON FACEBOOK? SLIM BANNERS, AN OCCASIONAL IMAGE. YEARS LATER, ANNOYING VIDEOS WOULD START TO PLAY. DOCTOROW CALLS SOMETHING LIKE THIS ENSHITIFICATION. AT SOME POINT, WE REALIZED THE APPS WERE LISTENING TO CONVERSATIONS AND USING SURVEILLANCE TO BETTER TARGET THEIR ADVERTISEMENTS TO GET YOU TO BUY THINGS AND CONSUME.

WE'VE KNOWN SINCE AT LEAST 2013 FROM THE SNOWDEN DISCLOSURE THAT THE TECHNO-FIEFDOM IS SHAPED LIKE A PANOPTICON.

WE DIDN'T REALLY CARE THOUGH. CONNECTING WITH PEOPLE, FRIENDS, FAMILY, LOVED ONES, IS WHAT WE THOUGHT WE WERE DOING. BESIDES, AS "CONSUMERS" IN LATE-STAGE CAPITALISM, WE'VE BEEN EXPOSED TO THE AMBIENT CONSUMERIST PROPAGANDA FOR SO MANY DECADES, IT SEEMED NORMAL TO GET IT NOW ON FACEBOOK TOO. THEY GOTTA MAKE MONEY SOMEHOW.

FOUCAULT SAYS WE ARE CONFESSING ANIMALS.

TO PARAPHRASE HIS THESIS, CENTURIES OF HABITATION TO THE ACT OF ~~OUR~~ CONFESSION BY THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES HAVE SHAPED OUR PSYCHO-SOCIAL NORMS IN SUCH A WAY THAT WE NATURALLY LIKE TO REVEAL OUR INNER TRUTHS TO OTHERS. ADMITTEDLY, THAT MIGHT BE OVERSIMPLIFYING THINGS, BUT IT'S CLEAR WE LIKE TO SHARE STORIES. STORIES ABOUT OUR DAY, A "THROWBACK THURSDAY" REMINISCENCE, SHOWING OFF WHAT

WE'RE DOING, OOZING ABOUT WHAT WE LOVE AND SHOUTING ABOUT WHAT WE HATE. THE LATTER USE OF FACEBOOK GOT UGLY (AND STILL GETS UGLY) AT DIFFERNT TIMES. WE ALL REMEMBER UGLY FUEDS, RUINED FRIENDSHIPS AND OVERT RACISM ON DISPLAY.

"CONGRATULATIONS!"

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY!"

"MY CONDOLENCES!"

WE INPUT THE ROTE WORDS INTO THE PLATFORM, CONTRIBUTING TO THE ILLUSION THAT WE ARE CONNECTED AS A COMMUNITY, ALL OF US INDIVIDUAL CONSMERS, WITH IDENTITIES REINFORCED BY ALGORITHMS.

YET MANY OF US HAVE NEVER FELT SO LONELY.

THERE'S NO TELLING HOW MUCH LONGER WE WILL CONTINUE TO USE PLATFORMS LIKE FACEBOOK, JUST AS OUR ANCESTORS EVENTUALLY STOPPED BEING SERFS LABOURING FOR THE LORD'S MANOR, I BELIEVE WE'LL SOMEDAY SNAP OUT OF IT AND CEASE THE USE OF ADVERTISEMENT-LADDLED "SOCIAL" MEDIA IN FAVOUR, PERHAPS, OF AN OPEN-SOURCE AND DEMOCRATICALLY-CONTROLLED PEOPLE'S MEDIA. HOPEFULLY, IT WON'T TAKE US CENTURIES TO GET THERE.

PLATFORMS LIKE ZUCKERBERG'S COULD BEOPERATED LIKE ONE (OR SEVERAL) LARGE MONDRAGON-LIKE CORPORATION(S) OR COUNCIL(S) WHERE THE USERS ARE ALSO THE AUTOMATIC OWNERS OF STOCK AND SHARE IN THE REVENUE INSTEAD OF INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF \$ IN ZUCKERBERG'S POCKET. BILLIONS COULD BE REDISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE PLATFORM: FUNDS RAISED IN A MASSIVE MUTUAL-AID PLATFORM WHERE AUTHENTIC AND UNIVERSAL CARE IS DELIVERED. CAN WE IMAGINE SOMETHING LIKE THAT? WE BETTER, OR ELSE THE TECHNO-LORD(S) WILL KEEP GROWING MORE POWERFUL WITH EVERY PASSING YEARAS THEY FEVERISHLY PURSUE MORE POWER THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A.I..IT ALL STARTS WITH A VISION AND WE CAN BUILD IT. MAYBE WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD FOR BETTER AFTER ALL...

100% OFF FREE MEDIA COUPONS!

You actually don't need a subscription to a streaming service to enjoy media! Tired of beloved movies and TV shows disappearing from Netflix? Sick of music made by AI bots creeping up on your playlist? Fed up with game developers deciding that a game you purchased should be rendered unplayable at their whim? With some basic computer skills you too can obtain whatever media you want FREE OF CHARGE!

For many of these methods, you don't even need access to a PC, and this can be done with a smartphone and a microSD card. However, the "best" experience on your downloading journey can be had with a PC/Mac and whatever storage medium you have access to (internal hard drive, external hard drive, memory card etc)

As with all fun things, there is a slight risk with downloading media files. This can be mitigated with an adblocker plug-in for your web browser on PC. On smartphone there are many "Adblock browsers" available in app stores. My personal favourite is Brave browser on mobile. Many websites which host free media have to pay for themselves somehow, so the ads can be rather intrusive.

Knowing what **file type** to expect also can keep you safe when downloading free media. As a general rule of thumb, media files such as MP3, FLAC, AVI, MOV are safe to download! You really shouldn't download anything that is a .EXE file if you're downloading music/video! Same with compressed files such as .ZIP or .RAR.

Downloading games and software are more risky as code is actually being executed. Be extremely careful when downloading games and software. I advise all new free media enjoyers to stick with movies and music until they know the ropes.

LOW QUALITY MUSIC

If you want music and don't worry about having it sound good on your cheap earbuds, Youtube to MP3 downloaders can do the job EASY! Use CNVMP3.COM and download the files

HIGH QUALITY MUSIC

On your phone you can download high quality music through a P2P system called Seeker. The people who use Seeker are music enthusiasts and often they will have high quality files that sound really good, yet take up more storage space. You can use the seeker client to download directly to your phone! People who use seeker also may send you a message encouraging you to share files. It is considered good etiquette to reshare the files that you have downloaded. On Seeker any file type can be shared so you can access movies and TV shows, though music makes the bulk of it. PC users can get the same experience as seeker by using SouseekQt or Nicotine+, both of these are souseek clients that access the same network as seeker.

STREAMING WEBSITES + SPORTS

You don't always have to download your media to be able to enjoy it. There are many video servers online that can let you watch whatever your heart desires free of charge. Often they are accessible through a website that puts a friendly user interface on top. Unfortunately these websites are in dire need of Adblock as the ads can get very spammy and intrusive. As of June 8, 2026 1Shows.org is a reliable source of streaming content so long as your Adblock is up to snuff. nhl24all.ir and thestreameast.ru work for sports also.

These streaming websites get taken down quite often so I recommend consulting the r/piracy megathread for current and up-to-date streaming sources.

VIDEO GAMES

I cannot recommend that novice free media enjoyers begin their journey with video games as they do one mega super duper risky thing: they execute code. You do not want your computer to be turned into someone's bitcoin miner -or worse...

Nevertheless I will point the interested in the direction of ankergames.net and gog-games.to. You can also use the power of retro console emulation to run ROMs from websites like vimm.net. These are generally safer to obtain than modern games.

TORRENTING

Torrents remain a popular source for free media. In order to benefit from torrent technology you must have a piece of software called a torrent client. Transmission is a popular choice for Mac and Linux users; qBitTorrent is the popular choice for Windows users. You can find .torrent files on websites like 1337x.to. I would advise torrent users to consider learning how to seed torrents if they are able to. Seeding is how files are reshared on torrent networks.

BOOKS

Books are available on so-called "shadow libraries" such as Anna's Archive, which uses links to direct download websites which host .epub and .pdf books. These files are compatible with most e-readers and many of these shadow libraries include paywalled academic materials and textbooks as well. There are also older books and non-copyrighted works on the Project Gutenberg website.

NEWS

You can bypass paywalled journalism by using archival tools like Archive.today. Search the link to an article in their database or upload it to be archive so that it can be stripped of pesky paywalls. These archive links can be shared to others so that they may also read paywall-free journalism.

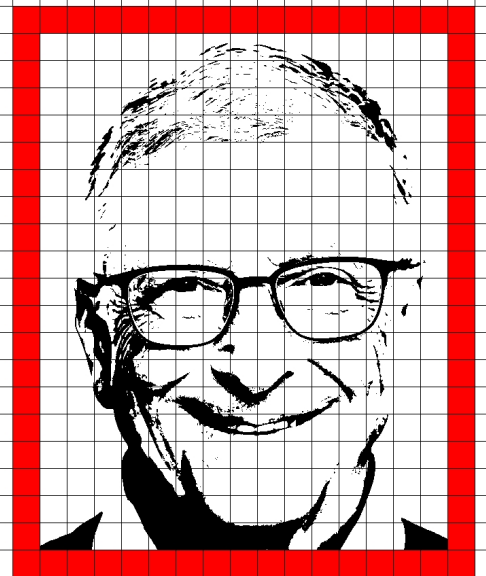
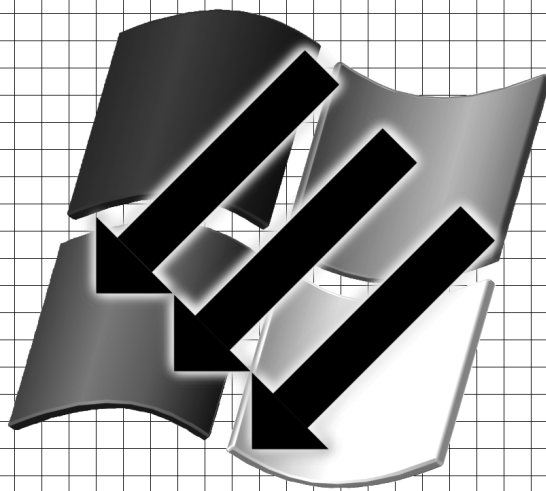
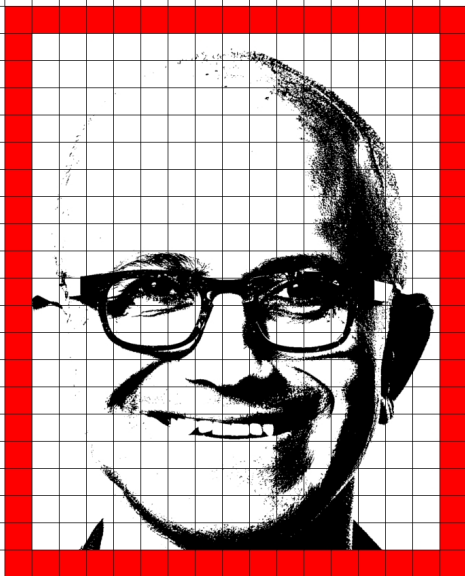
EDUCATION

Wikipedia is not only a great source for information, but it can also be used to find up-to-date links to your favourite free media providers. If your link to Anna's Archive stops working, simply check the Anna's Archive wikipedia page to find links vetted by wikipedia editors. You can also find troves of amazing free content on the Internet Archive, which has movies, software, games and books available for anyone to use. Openstax offers university-level textbooks and course materials for many subjects for free.

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MICROSOFT BLOWS CHUNKS

- 2001- U.S. gov sues MS. Accuses MS of anti-trust, monopolizing the web browser market, making it hard to install alternatives.
- 2007- MS is the first to participate in the NSA's PRISM spying program:
 - spying on: *Outlook & Hotmail emails
 - *Onedrive files
 - *Skype calls
- 2015- Windows 10 comes out and completely fucks the search functionality
- 2019- MS has a \$480m contract for developing AR headsets for the U.S. army
- 2019- MS executive Tom Keane is "proud to support" ICE (Immigration & Customs Enforcement) with a \$19.4m Azure contract
- 2020- An Irish MS company made \$314 billion and paid 0 tax on it
- 2020- MS moved \$39 billion to Puerto Rico and paid "nearly 0%" tax.
- 2021- MS censors searches for "Tank Man" on the 32nd anniversary of the Tianamen Square Massacre. (even outside China)
- 2022- MS servers spy on "millions of calls an hour" of Palestinians
- 2023- MS allows Azure and AI contracts for the IDF to blow up kids in Gaza
- 2024- Two MS employees fired for holding a vigil for Gaza
- 2025- NO AZURE @ 4 APARTEID. Five employees fired for protesting MS' involvement
- 2025- MS caves to Trump executive order and suspends email account of ICC prosecutor investigating Israeli war crimes
- 2025- MS accused of anti-trust by bundling Teams in the Office suite
- 2026- A bunch of AI bullshit



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WANNA BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT ISSUE?

RING-0 is now accepting submissions for DEHACK #02

Share your:

- art
- anecdotes
- stories
- manifestos
- poems
- dreams (& nightmares)

Submissions should be at least slightly related to A.I.

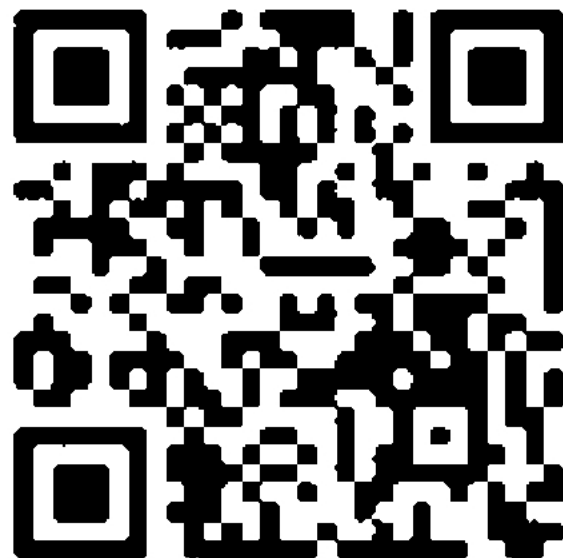
Deadline: July 31st, 2026.

Send submissions to
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Ring-0 is a collective of people and projects that aims to create technology alternatives that exist outside the mainstream. We follow a not-for-profit, largely D.I.Y. (Do It Yourself) ethic as a radical alternative to the dominant capitalist culture. This practice is powerful and liberatory, because it is non-hierarchical, non-transactional, and doesn't involve authorities or states.

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FUCK AMERICA.

FUCK ISRAEL.

FREE PALESTINE!

NONE OF US ARE FREE UNTIL ALL OF US ARE FREE