TIMELAB
hacking the city
There is a hacker in all of us

- Crack the code
- Produce new concepts
- Construct – deconstruct
- Creating possibility

Time turns this act into abstracts

Useful knowledge for the hacker is how these abstracts are being produced, and not the abstract itself. = Autonomy
The rise of the hackers class

- Abstracts
- It is not ours
- Need autonomy
- Knowledge

- Tragedy of time
Don't get depressed yet
Time, Space and Reflection

Timelab is an open space where new models of working are being explored. Makers are giving examples of small and large changes, because they can.

Timelab provides time, space and reflection for a society on the move.
ADEM – Designed to copy

- 20 community members
- Open source hardware
- Reproducible and adjustable
- Network of users/producers
- Platform with open data
- Citizen science
Knotplex – waste becomes resource

- Collaboration
- Invasive and inexhaustible plant
- Production unit
- Social and local economy
Breaking down the laboratory

- Laboratory as a safe place for experiment
- The art as an abstract
- Insights reveal a new field, a new abstract
- A new established state of temporality
knotplex
Can we use our knowledge as a hacker for urban planning and architecture?

1. How is the abstract of a city created?
2. Can we hack it?
3. Can we develop knowledge to open up the new abstract?
“The infrastructural operating system is filled with well-rehearsed sequences of code—spatial products and repeatable formulas like zones, suburbs, highways, resorts, malls, golf courses. Hacking into it requires forms that are also like software.”

—Keller Easterling
NEST

- A New Established State of Temporality

- A new space with boundaries in time (temporality) has come into existence (established) as a condition of being (state)
Model

- Decentralized
- Representative
- Sociocratic
- Legal ownership

--- commons
“Commons are shared resources that are produced and maintained by a user community, according to their own rules and norms” - E. Ostrom, D. Bollier

1. a shared resource
2. the activity of commoning
3. rules and norms that must at least be partially autonomous from the public and private sector.
open knowledge and practical research

School of Commons
“... it is easy to accept the physical landscape unthinkingly as a neutral background. But the spatial arrangements of buildings and communities are neither value-free nor neutral; they reflect and reinforce the nature of each society's gender, race, and class relations.”

- Leslie Kanes Weisman  in architecture for the Encyclopaedia of Women, 2000
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