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# The Digital Unconscious L'inconscient numérique

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Today's cinema and media produce images that draw on a long-lasting visual history of digitization and geometry. Departing from technological determinism, it is possible to envisage an iconography of the digital that is independent of the computational manufacture of images that have a traceable archaeology. At the same time, the unconscious associated with technologies specific to digital technology - artificial intelligence, for example - echoes the notion of "latent space", the ways in which an individual or collective unconscious appears to 'rise' to the surface of images. From calculation to code and post-production, digital technology promises to eradicate error, the accidental and the unplanned. But in so doing, it gives rise to new forms of technological strangeness that reveal the unconscious, dysfunctional and unpredictable side of our visual culture.



*Spatial Montage Table*, Rémi Sagot-Duvauroux, Spatial Media-EnsadLab, Inria.

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