Real time sousveillance Citizens' live broadcasting of conflicts in public space

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3 surveillance tenses



past = investigation

present = detection/real-time intervention

future = deterrence



Convergence of moments (Milton Santos)



Which was the most groundbreaking form of ICT in regard to simultaneity/real-time communication?



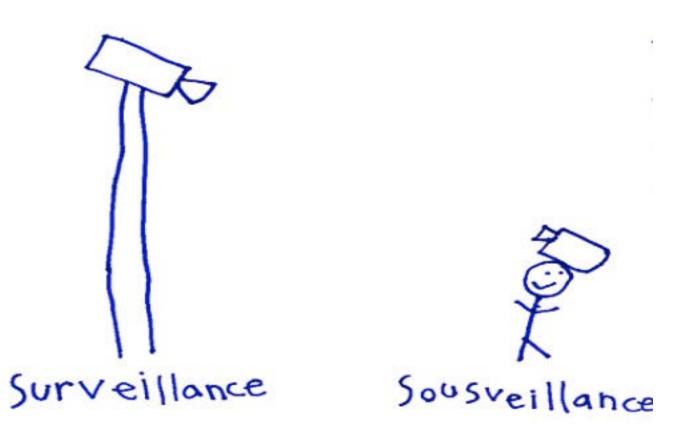
From web 1.0 to web 2.0

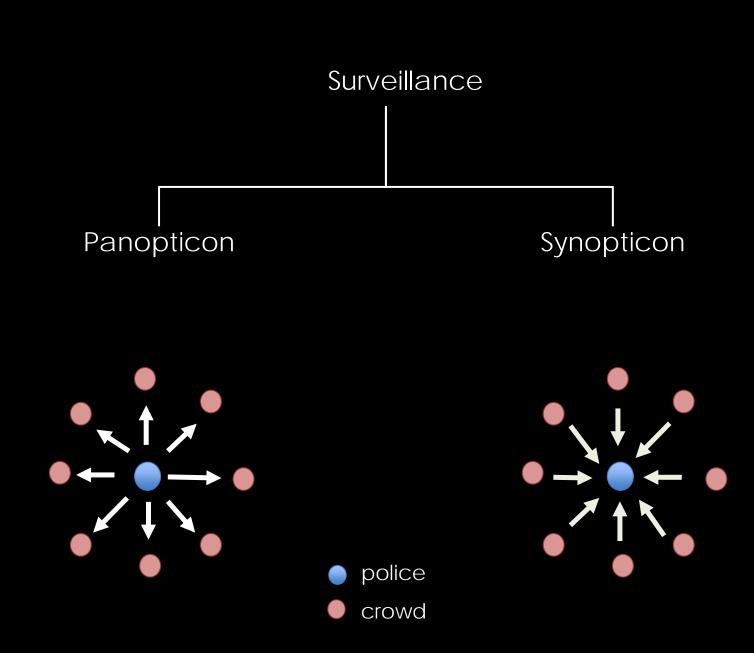


On October 15, 2015, in **Brussels**, Belgium, Thomas Michel, cameraman for the alternative media collective **ZinTV** was **stopped by the police** when filming a protest against the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).

The police, in an illegal action, forced Michel to **delete** all pictures and videos he had taken with his camera.

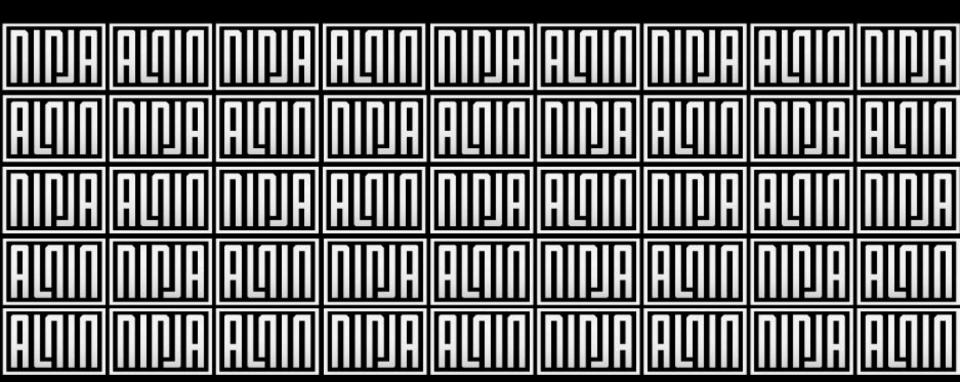
Live streaming: sousveillance? synopticon? crouwd-sourcing surveillance?







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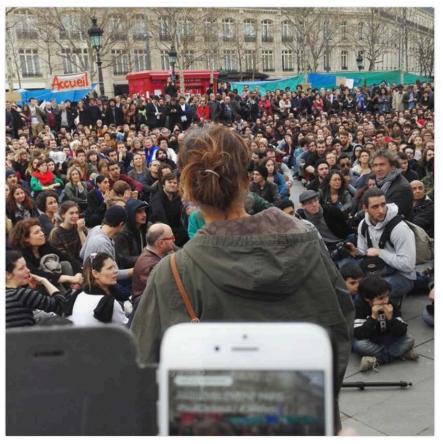


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Livestreaming dialectics



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Live Streamers Make Great Informants

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"Good" Livestream Tactics

- Stand hundreds of feet away from the group so the low quality recording doesn't pick up conversations or peoples' identity.
- Don't film peoples' identity without their consent.
- Don't narrate intentions, tactics, locations, or destinations.
- Wear a bright shirt that says "Live Streamer" or "Informant."

More "Real Good" Livestream Tactics

- Live Stream an event, panel, or discussion where all parties consent.
- Live Stream a demo or action where all parties involved consent.
- Live Stream your interactions when being stopped, questioned, or harassed by law enforcement. (maybe put your channel on private!)

Be safe out there, and make it safer for the masses by considering them when you point a camera at them.

censorship

privacy

storyteller

interaction

consent

police brutality

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informants

undercover police

ethics

alternative to mainstream media

social movements amplifier

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Questions :

- Should livestreaming be regulated?
- Should any citizen be allowed to livestream or should it be eclusive to credentialed journallists?
- Should citizens be always allowed to livestream police officers on duty?
- Will police officers act differently when knowning they can be filmed and streamed live?
- What if footage from police body cams was also livestreamed?
- What kind of events should be streamed live and which ones should not?
- Is the future of livestreaming more utopic or distopyc?