



Talk:

GPS for the Brain: Networks, Urbanisms, Algorithms

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Laura Kurgan will talk about her recent work involving network science and urban theory. She will present work from the Center for Spatial Research on the Urban History of Algorithms: Homophily and Weak Ties, a history which not surprisingly lies dormant in its use in network science. She will also present new work on navigation theory in neuroscience, which revisits and asks questions about the canonical urban theory of Kevin Lynch (1970) and Fred Jameson's *Postmodernism and the Logic of Late Capitalism* (1990).



Laura Kurgan is a Professor at the Graduate School of Architecture Planning and Preservation at Columbia University, where she directs the Masters of Science in Computational Design Practices and the Center for Spatial Research

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