



## ***The fear of knowledge***

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# New knowledge

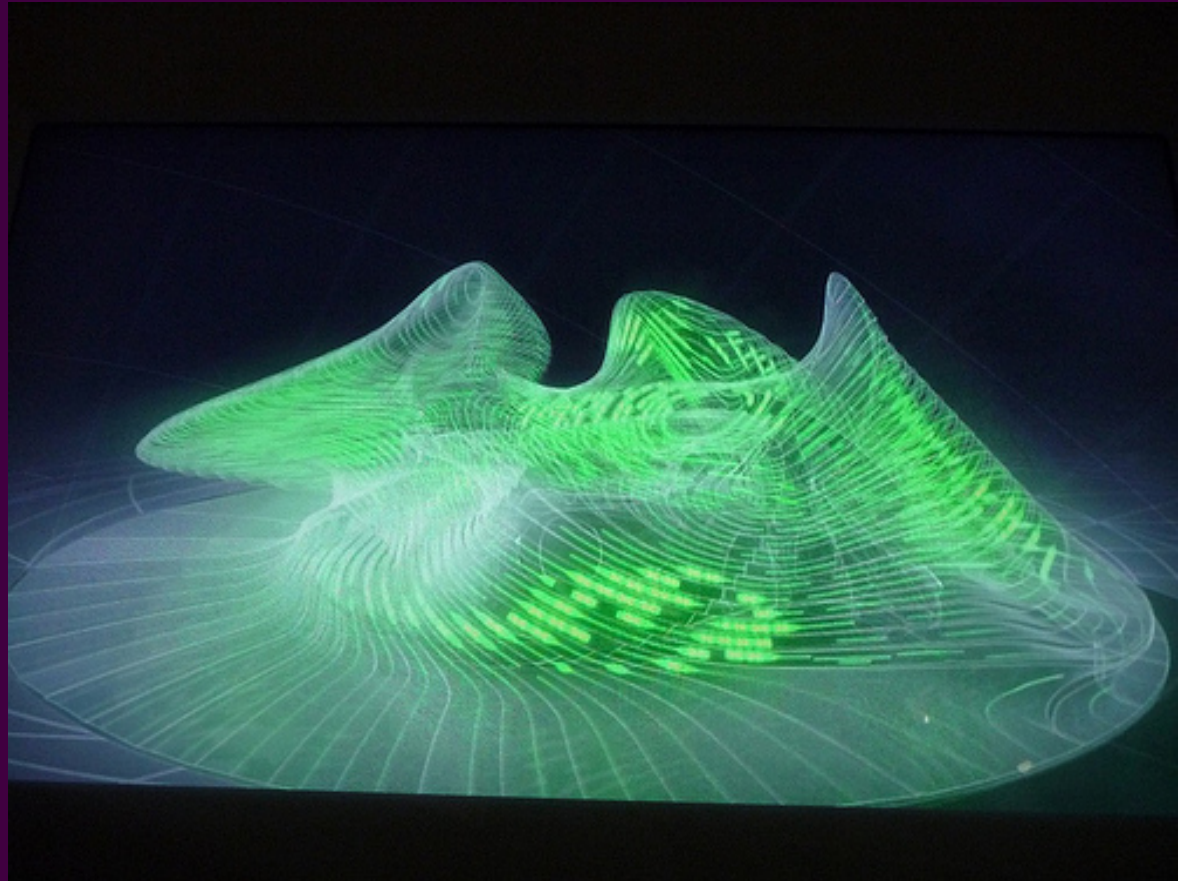
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- trial
- uncertainty
- conflict
- lack
- crisis
- fright



# Transformative learning

- tension
- desire
- need
- challenge
- restriction
- hamper



# Anxiety of losing

- recognizability
- stability
- security
- inner arrangement
- sense and meaning



# Grab hold of it

- project
- individual agency
- physical and intellectual energies
- different method



*Nico Vascellari, Blonde, 2010*

# Passionate attachment

- primary relationship
- relationships with others, ourselves and the environment
- life experiences
- cultural contexts



*Maman, Louise Bourgeois*

# From “emotional reason” to “poetic reason” (L.Pagliarani)

- perceptions
- sensations
- images
- fantasies
- illusions
- dreams
- thoughts
- symbols



# “Thoughts in search of a thinker”

(W.R. Bion)

- from pre-conception to conception
- negative capability (J.Keats)
- content - container





# “Epistemophilical anguish”

(E.Pichòn Rivière)

- opposing forces
- threatening objects
- individual and group impasse
- attack on thought

*Epistemophilical*  
*obstacle*



# Group opportunity

- to co-partecipate
- to compare
- to achieve a shared common object
- to divide up the anguish



# First form of anguish

- The fear of penetrating a new field of knowledge



# Second form of anguish

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- The fantasy of **remaining inside** the object of knowledge





*OVO red, MU'factory*

“To the bottom of the Unknown, to find  
Something new” (C.Baudelaire)