

Politics of Code, Week 8
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Labour, Authorship, Property

Labour

- What is work?
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Property

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Property

- Production and distribution of culture
- Trusted systems, permission, monitoring, censorship
- Remix vs. piracy
- The commons vs. Google

Exploitation

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