

Symposium for the ~~palestinian~~/queer body

you are used to being the only Palestinian ~~boy~~ thing
in the room. the only ~~boy~~ thing brown enough to call
elephant. or beast. you are one

of two people of color in your incoming class of STEM
PhD students. the other dropped out in the first week.
she was brown, much like your mother. much like a
scorched Arab woman. white women scream of
exclusion

from science as your family's women are martyred by
it. science says your people are the human shields &
yet are still the ones beneath the bombs labelled
"battle tested." *progress* is collaborating with the
scientists making an open-air prison out of your
country & calling it, experimentation. or habitation.
or maybe it was just

survival – your genderqueer, a mutation of whatever
wars you write your body into. this same science
builds the binaries you can never escape:
human/subject. occupier/occupied. your people
waking up to white phosphorous for sunrise/your
people not waking up at all.

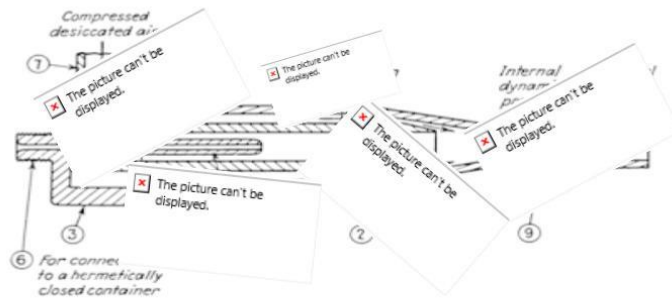
*Implementation of Dynamic Tracking Algorithms on UAV Drones*¹

Abstract: This study involved the design and implementation of control and computer vision algorithms for the detection and tracking of human subjects by unmanned aerial vehicles. Vision methods include image segmentation and supervised learning via artificial neural networks. Our system first splices enemy subjects into a series of deformable visual fields and then uses previously trained databases to inform the identification process. Control schemes include nonlinear architectures for the most robust results. Our system demonstrated fatal accuracy and precision, including object collision detection. Future experimentation involves missile aversion algorithms as well as implemented facial detection. To avoid conflicts of interest & generate funding, research staff & ~~human subjects~~ were primarily scientists of color.² Our nation's defense is a top research priority, in this ever-expansive war on Terror.³ ~~These are the merely realities we simulate.~~

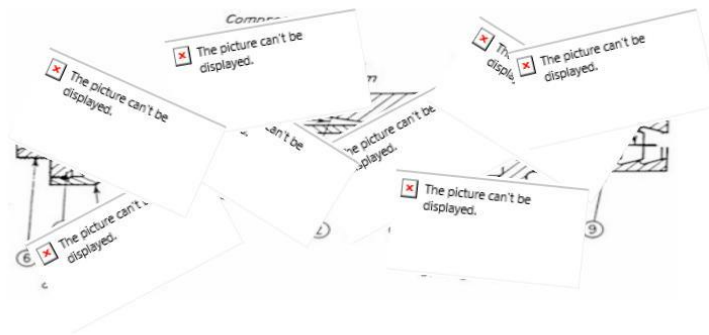
¹This project was funded by the US Department of Defense and the US Air Force.

²This is the diversity you ask for. Innately *American*.

³Look at how far Affirmative Action has gotten you.



when he invented a laser mechanism that could be used as a weapon of mass destruction, Tesla hid his discoveries from the world. burned the schematics of his death ray and died alone and penniless: the cost of saving the world from his science.



white ~~political~~ scientist comes to campus & every brown thing turns its back to him. he says his research proves a genetic superiority in whites based purely on IQ. calls poverty a *genetic* burden & the brown things stand steady as a wall might, as a ~~prison~~ cell might & isn't that *political*? says trump's election was the *poor* white man's burden & it was, at that moment, as silent as election day on campus: when all logic failed us; gravity weighing thick & ungodly; us, amoeba swallowed in a country of ectoplasm; parasites housed in white, in wall; & everything human escapes itself –

call it microbial. call it organism. call it brown thing resembling life in its own fluid. call it human. anyways. say we are all one & call it ~~genetic~~ kinship. or biodiversity. call it learned anaerobic respiration. call it reverse speciation, invasive habitat. call it hands ~~unwanted~~. call it colonization by scalpel. or needle. call it spectacle. call it sterilization, ~~new face of terrorism~~. call it ~~white~~ [edit: this isn't about race] lives saved. call it good of mankind. call it future of medicine. call it ~~brown~~ [edit: stop making this about race] sacrifice. call it experimental. call it

~~ethnic~~ cleansing. call it terminal. call it ceaseless.
call it God not prayed to.

science says we must be precise about what we call a thing.
when you say *apolitical*, *my research is apolitical*, do you mean
to say *genocidal*? do you mean to say,
yes, i am a massacre of needles –