field notes

from blueatlas

mctavish

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it was like this every
morning ...

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- ..|. the repairman rider passenger lone bird |..|
- .|_ grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) |.
- ..|. left the throng of city depot
 |..| |.| arrived alone worn
 suitcase sandwich lukewarm coffee
 thermos ..- || tepid brown liquid
 greasy paper |+| +_+ rusted texaco
 station folded map #_# &=^ urgent
 mission || ..|. fix the system ^..
 |.| repair reclaim rebuild reweave
 restore &_& || this prairie meadow
 sequestration +0+

.|_ once again repeat again retie
retry reweave again _|. |.| a name
uttered speak again ..- || reclaim
restore correct |+|

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..... downward glance creased map marked path |..| |.| radio research building institute ..- || factory platform station |+| + + slant rusty hinge door sunlight # # &=^ spider housings metal glint antenna | | ..|. vines static deep dark corner silence ^.. |.| vinyl recordings specimen drawers & & || faded paper census sketchpad marks +0+ +_+ lost language fallen angels | | | &=^ frozen role enactments | .. | .. |. jukebox score ..- |.| piano rolls |+| || silent tattered scripts # # .| stored inside this moss bound station _|. | . | critical to the mission ..- || notes numbers data |+| + + handbook manual translation codes # # &=^ recorded pressed limbs reed blade stem seed ^.. | . | circuit diagram equations & &

.. |. this was the morning this was the place |..|

.|_ repairman rider passenger lone bird _|. |.| grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) ..- || arrived on platform wasteland meadow track |+| +_+ worn suitcase sandwich #_# &=^ tepid brown liquid thermos || .|_ creased map ^.. |.| compass light &_& || lucky strike +0+ +_+ hat axle pocket knife ||| &=^ coins for the boatman _|. .|_ steam engine captain ..- |.| singer all aboard |+| || ticket agent paper #_# +_+ tin cup beggar thief ||

..|. electric magnet migrate
translate |..| |.| hero zero
suitcase clock map train nomad ..|| boat bird data airbase data
cube data curved space |+| +_+
prism lattice fabric timestamp
schema graph #_# &=^ reify untie
unfold unroll || ..|. electric
orbit ghost force ether spark ^..

|.| specimen drawer weather static wind-blown number station &_& || solar noise cloud formation storm titration wireless smoke-filled sky +0+

.| broke ground broke thatch broke net broke flow |. |.| telegraph rhizome circuit network junction ..- || flag siren point nutrient carbon tangle |+| + + broke ratio physics orbit fixedpoint evolution # # &=^ clue drawer box film parchment vinyl || .| blood feather stalk beak grass root ^.. |. | paper stamp store mark transect photo record image cell & & || before axe pick shovel hoe oxen plow +0+ + + before hard ground was broken ||| &=^ still woven yellow green ticker |. .| tape pulsed code transmission ..-|.| echo vacuum tube transistor |+| || circuit still electrified # # + + & living ||

..|. ignite ! |..|

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..... the repairman rider passenger
lone bird |... | grass blade
dyke (our hero zero rider ze) ..-
|| looked back |+| + + not again
before # # &=^ but before that
long ago once upon a long away ||
.... far away geologic layered
canyon way back ^.. |. | glacial
pressed rock far back & & ||
urgent mission +0+ +_+ rescue
resurrection || | &=^ artifact
storage cave recording trace |..|
.... bones ..- |. | fossil tooth
|+| || once again repeat again
retie retry reweave again # # + +
a name uttered speak again || &=^
reclaim restore ^.. .. rewind
& & |.| redeem +0+ || correct |||
.|_ shattered glass cadenza |.
..|. industry(!) |..|
.|_ stop gear _|. |.| backspace
..... particle wave oscilloscope
|..| |.| rhythm beats tonal frame
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measure arc ..-

.|_ sanctify _|. |.| dance score action plan ..- || syntax grammar punctuate |+| + + formula method outline theorem proof # # &=^ silver set of slides || .| count map pulse ^.. | particles of speech & & || observe measure metric record journal data log +0+ +_+ structure filter draw blueprint box | | | &=^ cell lattice web net moth flame _|. .|_ formula physics flow heat ..- |.| electric gear locomotion transformation |+| II fold reduce fix mend undo redo sew sow # # + + archive find search echo || &=^ resonate release ^...

```
..|. fire ash carbon gone |..| |.|
nothing none empty not ..- ||
theory of null numbers |+| + +
vacant absent zero space # #
. _ theory of sparse matrix _ |.
|.| an absence ..- || exponential
decline |+| +_+ crash . # #
..|. holes in the matrix |... |..|
gap(s) ... - || column row |+|
+ + moth hole black hole # # &=^
space silence fact ||
.| theory of null values |. |.|
silence of null values ..- || neon
vacant blinking light |+| + +
empty storm-drain alley # #
..|. cell number table |... | ...
column thicket ..- || stream set
row |+| + + coordinates paths city
streets # # &=^ asphalt chess
board too-long fair || ..|.
halogen labyrinth playing cards
^.. | . | row boat row red turnstile
coins & & || subway memory map +0+
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.| the problem of sparse matrices |. |. | absence ..- || not known |+| + + not values # # &=^ not said & & || empty cells +0+ + + blank hole gap ||| &=^ knot record |. .| not knot ..- |. | forget forgot |+| || never known # # + + not filled | | &=^ not asked ^... .| erase erasure & & | . | not zero not silence +0+ || a lack of air ||| + + a lack of mark _|. &=^ missing value(s) ..- .| something stolen |+| |.| not revealed not found # # || not thought of not dreamed of | + + not imagined ^.. &=^ not lost & & .| not lonely +0+ |. | not a huge hole in the ||| || sky |.

..|. the lattice the ladder the
sky |..|

.|_ queer isocline bent contour curve _|. |.| topographic skew ..- || blue green florescence rush |+| +_+ wide-hipped hue #_# &=^ the morning light chlorophyll || .|_ rubbed blades rain or dew ^.. |.| hush suspended ready electric &_& || whispered static light +0+ +_+ the lattice the ladder the sky |||

..|. slender stem blade .&. meadow
|..| |.| harmonic structures
ladders heavens ..- || tonality
ecology dynamics systems weather
|+| +_+ synthesis loom radio sky
#_#

..|. photosynthetic fusion carbon pool |... | ... | sequester sequester bury deeper ..- || down & under & soil & fossil & black oil |+| +_+ ink memory frozen fire # #

.| this then this a ritual grassland reclamation |. |.| (re)enactment ..- || action painting action coding |+| + + abstract insurrection # # &=^ repair sound reverberate | .| thrum thatch call ^.. | . | a bird blade leaf stem & & || frequency vibration +0+ + + signal short wave | | | &=^ modulation resonation |. .| radio photo destination ..- | . | a photosynthesis |+| || transfer raw vertex junction pivot pools # # + + food web weights & likelihoods || &=^ circle orbit cycling need ^... | birth growth death decay & & |.| de compose release +0+

..|. faint signal pale wave slow current faraway transmission |..|

|.| faded recording ..- || long ago the far away a t-cell twist like this it goes |+| +_+ that jukebox love song jukebox archive jukebox dance song #_# &=^ rusty turnstile chance song billiard dice song co2 roulette || ..|. trophic past text particles of speech ^.. |.| trophic cascade light water steam then ghost & &

.|_ corner bar stool _|. |.| the repairman rider passenger lone bird ..- || grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) |+| +_+ napkin blueprints cipher curves & codes #_# &=^ beer-stained formula calculations configurations || .|_ phase plane transformations ^..

..|. trace erosion fragment shadow window time |..| |.| season shifted local sundial noon-line fragment ..- || blueprint blue light paper pressing |+| +_+ chronometer opacity odometer silent breath grass blade whisper #_# &=^ vapor ghost carbon cycle chlorophyll bone detrital join

uptake || ..|. weight rhizome tent
matrix building frame ^..

.|_ dyke blade flame night graffiti gesture neon brandish flight _|. |.| for each map filter fold list railway table ..- || (off || on 0 || 1) |+| +_+ repairman rider passenger lone bird #_# &=^ grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) || .|_ thatch radio signal static dial clock pulse receiver ^..

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..|. database of tools |... | |.|
inventory manuscript ..- || shadow
cave projection |+|
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.|_ grassland reclamation _|. |.|
archive parchment traveler rider
repair(*man) blade ..- || a
solitude of vastness vibrant
vertiginous chlorophyll tinged hum
|+| +_+ birds insects clouds #_#
&=^ young queer slender deer ||
.|_ a glowing noise a unity a
collision a confluence ^..
```

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..|. time bends forward leans back
|..| |.| circles like a bird of
prey ..- || tensile stem ::: a
cellular conductance |+| +_+
electric neural circuit blood #_#
&=^ windswept dream of flight ||
..|. vessel heart rib & loom ^..
|.| taut sinew vein &_&
```

.|_ a knot a sailor _|. |.| a
sparse insect count ..- || clear
windshield |+| +_+ bee by bee
sparse matrix #_# &=^ once wild

swarm buzz now || .|_ a one by one
flower hover ^.. |.| sparse set
pollen heat &_&

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..|. no rain again last night |..|
|.| humidity swallowed by air ..-
|| suspension |+| + + no release
# # &=^ dry river dry soil ||
..|. bucket after bucket carried
^.. | . | cold well .map(water =>
pasture) & & || long cold spring
&. then +0+ + heat came with
bone not water || |||
. _ only _ . this vessel this
gallery these ribs ..- || a cage
|+| +_+ for birds # # &=^ an
absence only lonely ||
..|. attention swings ::: an
acrobat |... | .. | an aerial artist
..- || trapeze circus |+| + +
3-ring digits # # &=^ clickable
texts | | .. | . shining neon ^..
. pawn shop blinking & & ||
payday loans +0+ + + apoplectic
news | | | &=^ heavy rain | . . |
.| cast projections _|. |.
shadows along ..- || interior
walls |+| + + the mind's # # &=^
```

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ceiling || .|_ vowels ^.. |.| a hollow echo &_& || text +0+ +_+ &. white ||| &=^ space _|.

..|. i mean a |..| |.| blank ..- || echo |+| +_+ gravity #_# &=^ word orbit ||

.|_ suspended minutes _|. |.| blackhole now-ness ..- || careening weeks |+| +_+ eye of the hurricane #_# &=^ in its stillness || .|_ drew in whole ^.. |.| years &_&
```

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..|. solitude |... | .. | not silence
..- || every morning |+| + + heat
rises # # &=^ in this || ..|.
basin ^.. |. | these bones & &
.| polar landscapes |. |. | melt
..- || colonists of wind |+| + +
dust storms # # &=^ settle the
globe ||
..|. no rain |..| |.| longing ..-
|| thirst |+| + + drought # # &=^
it was like this || ...|. every
morning ^...
. _ watering can _ . | . | metallic
echo ..- || pale green |+| + +
drip # #
..|. industry! |..| |.| empty
hands ..- || vacant skull |+|
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.|_ repairman rider passenger lone bird _|. |.| grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) ..- || arrived on platform wasteland meadow track |+| +_+ suitcase sandwich coffee thermos #_# &=^ tepid brown liquid greasy paper || .|_ folded map ^.. |.| worn matchbook &_& || lucky strike +0+

..|. illumination recitation
number sequence radio station |..|
|.| urgent message scrawled

location ..-

.|_ this was the day the time the place _|. |.| last chance prairie recitation reclamation ..- || stop the gears bend the tide |+| +_+ stitch mend reweave restore rewind # #

```
..|. homeostasis functions script
energy production |..| |.| flows &
motion ..- || minerals carbon |+|
+ + produced consumed released # #
&=^ the mill || ..|. the body :::
a federation ^.. |. | web loom
constellation & & || temporary
boundary of skin +0+ + +
stoichiometric polyphony | | &=^
chorus set of strings |..|
.| chemistry & light |.
.... reading |... | ... | physical
traversal ..- || visceral
traversal |+| +_+ repeat repeat
loop #_# &=^ link pause dwell leap
|| ..|. hypertext state machine
^.. |. | railway navigation & & ||
photosynthetic bit flow +0+ + +
binary twist ||| &=^ one zero
distance field | . . | . . | .
microscope telescope ..- |.|
molecular astronomy |+| ||
infinite between # #
.|_ a hare moves _|. |.| half the
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distance ..- || repeat repeat loop |+| + + never stop never loss never last measure last chance # # &=^ last breath last half last ^.. | . | 2d telegraph & & | | duration plot staccato rhythm pattern +0+ + + stochastic cyclone cluster noise chance score ||| &=^ sonic braille morse code stream sound |. .| alphabet word phrase sentence time paper scroll ..- |.| lattice graph network web tree [+] || link join conjunction semicolon latch hinge # # + + doorway portal ^... | place or point of union & & |.| two or more railway lines +0+ || junction meet or cross |||

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.... data modeling ecosystem
transcription | . . | | . | contour
core motion ..- || stripped down
|+| + + essential form # # &=^
arc distilled | | ..|. abstraction
^.. | . | line drawn & & || color
form shape +0+ + + context seed
dynamics ||| &=^ phase plane
essence | . . | . . | . naked mirror
silhouette ..- |.| skeletal moving
gears |+|
.| translation filter |. |.|
transformation ..- || map bait
lure tackle |+| + + spinning wheel
# # &=^ rapunzel wizard magic fish
|| .| chutes & ladders ^.. |.|
connection conjunction sentence
& & || necklace +0+ + + purl one
..- |. | sticky spider silk |+| ||
relations table entry # # + + time
stamp seal or wax ||
..|. transact system |... |.|
query language ..- || row by row
relation |+| + + containment
```

category

category rope bind #_# &=^ join ||

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..|. fact ::: hyperspace |... | |.|
a cube an axe ..- || enter
retrieve deliver swift |+| +_+
data knowledge reconstruct #_# &=^
reach link traverse || ... |. node
to node abandon ^..

.|_ latch hinge _|. |.| door
subway turnstile entrance arrow
..- || knot connection not
reversal |+| +_+ subject verb
object stop #_#

..|. food web vertex |..| |.|
consume / uptake / feed / decay
..- || pool to pool transmission
|+| +_+ mycorrhiza fungus root #_#
&=^ stoichiometric filter map ||

.|_ collision confluence fusion
|. |.| dissonant echo ripple ..|| fission waves |+| ++ node to
node connection #_# &=^ reified to
predicate || .|_ a measurement ^..
|.| unveiled revealed made plain
& &

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..|. lexicon of relations |..| |.|
linguistics language ..- ||
shifting drawer |+| + + predicate
proclaim declare affirm assert # #
&=^ text stream interface || ..|.
pipeline filter map fold ^.. |.|
density of links & & ||
connectance metrics +0+ + + flows
& form ||| &=^ web network branch
tree graph | .. | . extensible
modular composable construction
..- |.| shape shifting flow
emergence change [+]
.| infinite series |. |.|
calculus of motion calculus of
change ..- || physics of angles
angels |+| + + sound waves light
# # &=^ inflection reflection ||
.| convergence to fixed point
orbit loop or cycle ^.. |.|
convergence to zero & & || absence
silent slope abyss +0+ + + shape
shifting flow emergence change |||
..|. associative trail path spline
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index jump |..| |.| graph

traversal heat diffusion fluid
flow ..- || night mail railway
saturn sky |+| +_+ shape shifting
flow emergence change #_#

.|_ semantic nets systems frames
rules _|. |.| automated reasoning
engines ..- || ontologies schemas
|+| +_+ inference machines #_#
&=^ classifiers theorem provers ||
.|_ maps ^..

```
..|. us / them / ze / I |..| |.|
the body plural the collection the
ecology of I ..- || constellation
tonal set |+| +_+ commutative
diagram #_# &=^ vector pillars
basis set || ..|. fire bison ^..
|.| microfiche &_& || memex
landscape archive +0+
```

.|_ moth flame fuel _|. |.| what angel whose wings which bird ..- || tightrope perilous torch gas flight |+| +_+ filament neon halogen light #_# &=^ solar spectra halo || .|_ semisynthetic polychromatic light ^.. |.| harvest net gap spark &_& || every angel every bird every fire +0+ +_+ every light |||

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- ..|. volcanic eruptions colossal
 explosive summer of night |... | |... |
 cloud of ash eternal winter sky
 ..- || sublime vastness |+| +_+
 clap of thunder #_# &=^ dark sky &
 rim of light ||
- .|_ die cast astronomies
 astrologers oracles neural net
 forecast _|. |.| summary synthesis
 archive copy ..- || deductions
 cloudy inference pale sky dusty
 glass |+| +_+ cloud forest mist
 #_#
- ..|. chlorophyll inception
 resinous extension |..| |.| oxygen
 production carbon-bound reduction
 ..- || transfer bury sequestrate
 |+| +_+ atmospheric storage #_#
 &=^ soil archive biomass || ..|.
 sky writes to earth ^.. |.| clouds
 turn to grass &_& || glass leaf
 snail fish +0+ +_+ bone & soil &
 log |||
- .|_ linear regression _|. |.|

inversion inflection ..- ||
rollercoaster shift |+| +_+
velocity force change #_# &=^
approach zero || .|_ axis of gone
the axe ^..

..|. dust bowl prairie loss |..|

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..|. handbook of codes (1938 :::
4th edition) |... |.. | corner
ledger entry ..- || creased marked
stained |+| + + unsteady hand page
48 # # &=^ pointer to drawer 89 ||
..... swiftly culled collection ^...
|.| quickly scrawled notation & &
|| hike knapsack specimen +0+ + +
salutation | .. | . . | . pale & rising
leaves ..- |.| slow tango |+| ||
archer & the doe # # + + deftly
spun golden silk || &=^ ecstatic
synthesis ^.. ..... snapshot & &
|.| drawing sky to soil +0+ || a
rhizomatic broadcast | | + +
joyful ode electric pulse |...|
.| that day the hiker struck &
gathered _|. |.| stamped &
scrawled ..- || a description the
day |+|
..|. flash drive |... |.. | cellular
recollection ..- || slowly fading
|+| + + casting of a day # # &=^
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plant companion | | ... | . pulsing

network ^.. |.| etched on vinyl
&_& || voice wind chorus meadow
chord +0+ +_+ a sound restated now
||| &=^ perhaps could permeate the
ether |..|

..|. a cast back cellular recording |..| |.| etched on vinyl record number 43 ..- || still intact the voice & windy chordal chorus meadow |+| + + vinyl pulsing network # # &=^ perhaps if sent through radio wave & echo || sound reclaimed restored restated ^.. |. | ghostly sonic vapor could elicit in its hearing & & || a tender recitation (re)creation reclamation restoration reformation +0+ + + redemptive grass reenactment transmigration | | &=^ root-toroot transmission | .. | .. | . & a material transfer flux & flow equation ..- |.| formula calculation run through |+| || wrung through monte carlo iterations # # + + stochastic rinse residue distillations oscillations || &=^ chord progressions ::: rhythmic titrations ^.. .. an ideal polyphony this vital web & & |.| (re)creation would be difficult &

risky +0+

.| repairman rider passenger lone bird _|. |.| grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) ..- || reviewed the course the notes the goal |+| + + clock cycle nutrient cycling handbook codes # # &=^ algorithms generative recipes diagrams flow probabilities coupled difference equations score || .| recorder of all things pigeon stone database journal records catalogue ^.. |. | ordered voices trophic chain biome web ::: a cycle & & || the goal to roll back first conditions +0+ + + frames loom gears tangled strands | | &=^ particles iron flint filing receivers long echo curvatures orbits |. . | compass paths elliptical earth lines sky threads hertzian waves ..- |.| maxwell electromagnetic radiation spark gap transmission signal smoke |+| || moth-wing chaos cyclone silence thermal currents prairie noise # # + + stochastic resilience robust fractionated

adaptable evolving noise || &=^
particles beats rhythms
frequencies dissonant resplendent
symphony ^... |_ verdant song
radar language rubbed wings &_&
|.| quickening pulse through stalk
& reed +0+

..... downward glance creased map old building vacant transmission |..| |.| radio station cement wire wood vinyl recordings ..- || grass forgotten language roles enactment script score reading glass |+| + + stone paper vinyl microfiche transmission reception receiver sensitive # # &=^ convergent frequencies overlayment sine wave addition sums sound score recording | ..|. many languages multiple dimensions C N P frequencies ^.. |. | some below the threshold of hearing & & || others short fast high all at once +0+ + + different scales different velocities different currencies materials markets of exchange ||| &=^ it would be hard to put this back together information lost sent number station | .. | .. |. codes plurality of transmissions ghost radio ..- |.| put the sound back put back transects seasonal constellations geometries probabilities |+| || catalysts

circulations taut dependencies
resilience arithmetics liminal
clocks #_# +_+ the eco-polyphonics
of all living systems ||

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..|. faded animations faded colors
green yellow brown => gray |..|
|.| plant specimens stamped time-
stamped the walker rider passenger
..- || collector observer marks
down weather rain heat cold dry
piano rolls |+| + + score movement
slows to snapshots # # &=^ pinning
clothes recording transects counts
| | ... |. footnotes footnotes
footnotes ^.. |. | sets & grass to
find the trophic structure & & ||
problem of scale reference static
object product state +0+ + +
broken rhythm boxed number tables
| | | &=^ frozen vertex chalk body
outline fixed |..|
. | time step nutrient cycle
handbook of codes |. |.|
algorithm recipe diagram flow ..-
|| now back but then not now but
perhaps |+| + + maybe just ||
nothing # # &=^ rectify & join ||
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```
..|. layers of heaven |... |..
cardinalities ..- || threshold
probabilities |+| + + levels of
possible quantum # # &=^ paths ||
..|. knots ^.. |. | countable & &
```

. a lattice lash tied taut |.

..|. between zero & one |... |..| infinity ..- || countable rational salt & pepper mesh |+| + + or an uncountable irrational sea # # &=^ unbroken surface || ..|. lifetime & extinction ^..

.| angels birds grassland constellation |.

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..|. seemingly infinite =>
countable |..| |.| 2 (not many)
..- || 1 (one => zero) |+| + +
abstraction reduction # # &=^
trace contour | | ..|. subtraction
^.. |. | collapse & & || absence
```

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..|. industry! |..| |.| gears
machines efficiency ..- || plow &
yoke |+| +_+ breaking ground #_#
&=^ carbon cycling || ..|. bound
flow ^.. |.| tensile vectors &_&
|| release capture +0+ +_+ web
cycle graph system lattice ||| &=^
plumes & spills |..|
```

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..|. on the afternoon of the 8th day |... | ... | repairman rider passenger lone bird ..- || grass blade dyke (our hero zero rider ze) |+| +_+ only a bird not a god #_# &=^ only an old sewing machine ||

.|_ treadle & thread _|. |.|
stitch back repair repair ..- ||
lace prairie weave roots |+| +_+
pump light well bind #_# &=^
animate turn breathe || .|_
circulate & mend ^..

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..|. stitch |... |.. | carbon cycle
..- || back |+| + + intact # #
&=^ structure function || ..|.
sink & source ^.. |. | sink &
source & &
.| theory of null values _|. |.|
problem of null values ..- ||
hollow sound |+| + + sparse matrix
# # &=^ initial conditions
external || .|_ parameters
landscape weather ^.. |.| bee
flower pollen lit pollen wings & &
..|. parts of speech sets thought
|..| |.| categories cages ..- ||
language archive (memory tables
data pollen noise) |+| +_+ quest
voyage counting # # &=^ physics
web grassland sea net trophic ties
traveler | | ..|. gears ^.. |.|
repair(*) rider lone bird & & ||
grass blade dyke (our hero zero
rider ze) +0+ + + illuminate
restore resurrect reweave
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ecosystem length & breadth

rebreathe | | | &=^ trophic chain

harmonic series |..| ..|. swings & orbits ..- |.| collapse & chaos |+| || dynamic state constant flux #_# +_+ climate nutrient cycling community structures evolution ||

. $|_$ no time now time soon time $_|$.

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..|. how is this night different
from all other nights? |... | |..|
short trophic chains ..- || webs
constrained |+| +_+ nutrient
enrichment enigma #_# &=^ nutrient
paradox nutrient cage bind limit
|| ... |. stable state dream fragile
balance ^.. |.. | weather heat rain
flood fire &_& || orbit cycle
chaos +0+ +_+ hydrogen oxygen :::
so hard to fuse ||| &=^ weld spark
twist |... | ... |. ecosystem metrics
gears & struts ..- |.. | evolution
adaptation |+| || form(s) of
change #_#

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..... why is this night this day
this hour this moment different
from all others? |... | stable
state equilibrium ..- || mirage
|+| + + set of gears & struts # #
&=^ form change adaptations ||
.... choreography mathematics
theorems ^.. | . | natural law
physics stars & & || tonal
signature nutrient profile +0+ + +
language alphabets symbols ||| &=^
drawing cave drawing sky drawing
skull | ... | ... flux flow rise ..-
. difficult to capture |+| ||
carbon currency # # + + mineral
^.. ..|. efficiency & & |.| short
ladder +0+ || polyphony topology
||| + + C N P basis vectors |..|
&=^ weather ... tides light
plow |+| |.| poison shattered # #
|| maps fractured || + + space
faster ^.. &=^ time spinning & &
..|. gears +0+
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..|. tuning discontinuity
fragmentation |..| |.|
multiplicity assemblage blur ..|| distance metrics near / far
this-ness |+| +_+ frequency
instruments theory #_# &=^ narrow
limited constrained || ..|. drawer
paper file grass specimen stalk
leaf root ^.. |.| instrument
network transmission system &_& ||
sensitive antenna chlorophyll
swarm +0+ +_+ body axes mapped
static system structure ||| &=^
food chain length & flow |..|

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.... on that day that hour researcher | . . | lab-coat gatherer archive net bird memory ..- || had the bird sing one last song |+| + + (carefully recorded) # # &=^ after singing breathing trembling casting tonal net || ..|. once last sweetly ^.. |.| tender night remembered dawn & & || the bird the singer was then collected +0+ + + marked with capture date time label stamp ||| &=^ vinyl voice specimen body bones feather cell lock drawer |..| ..|. more precious for its absence last glimpse species culture ..-

.|_ slender threshold beat => tone (frequency wave) _|. |. | particle rhythm synthesis ..- || sea matter light |+| +_+ redfield 1958 strange ratio #_# &=^ woven fabric green & || .|_ flight ^.. |.| the bird sang one last song &_& || bird singer song +0+ +_+ dated stamped labeled || &=^ vinyl

voice specimen body bones feather
|. .| lock drawer archive ivy
building room ..-

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..|. the passenger left & wandered to the river edge |..| |.| tall grass abandoned plot slope tangled bank ..- || electric passenger |+| +_+ feathers against the ripe pale blades & reedy fishers #_# &=^ spark filament poetry orchestration animation || ..|. memory storage bank ^..

. after 8 days on the 8th day at 3:48 |. |. | the passenger left the building & wandered ..- || towards river edge past tall grasses abandoned plots |+| + + down sloping entangled bank worn burdened electric passenger # # &=^ lay down feathers against the ripening pale blades & watched || .| the reedy fishers bent stalks headed trousers folded ^.. |.| pail in hand to shore chlorophyll surging through limbs & & || pulsing turning in the yellow light +0+ + + late summer day dusty strands of light ||| &=^ taut against the very ether of air

& day |. .| particles stretched into waves cast from far away ..-. circle orb fire dusty filaments tied against |+| || strong limbs drawn nets from sky they pulled # # + + muscled down & in these nets these baskets they gathered invisible dinosaurs ^... . their bones now atmospheric ghosts & & |.| of all released dead matter sources of their gathering +0+ || a hallelujah of photosynthetic abandon | | + + a transference a miracle accumulation a sink a _|. &=^ grabbing & bending & forcing deep underground ..- .| a conversion a reclamation a redemption |+| |.| a deep cellar window of light # #

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..|. electricity insight action
|..| |.| poet singer cantor coder
..- || rhythm rhyme repetition |+|
+ + invoke evoke circle # # &=^
paper poetry storage machine
(memory printed symbols space)
..... spoken textile poet singer
living animation ^.. |. | electric
insight action text encoded
incantation & & || rhythm rhyme
recitation circle invocation +0+
+ + tape magnetic pitch sound
frequency modulation ||| &=^
transcription translation voyage
|..| ..|. a river a boatman a coin
an oar ..- |. | a knapsack a
shortwave radio |+| || receiver
transmitter signal # # + + voice
frequency on / off ||
. _ pulse antenna alphabetic _ .
. graph glyph string ..- ||
linear spline space |+| +_+
sequence pages spine spline # #
&=^ approximation map one route ||
.I one journey electric geo ^...
|.| route road reenactment context
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& & || devoid absent world
generating physical +0+ + +
attention listening seeing | | &=^
gaze cross sensory skull |. .|
skeletal memory echo machine ..-
. | pulse current blood |+| ||
sinew vinyl gramophone => radio
# # + + moment (re)creation past
time || &=^ modulation frequency
^... (un)synchronize the clocks
& &
..|. architecture of flows |..|
|.| chain web sparse or dense ..-
|| multi routed multi threaded |+|
+ + brilliance resilience
resplendent # # &=^ abundance
complexity || ..|. iron glass &
noise ^.. |. | weft & warp & &
.| 4 string landscape |. |.|
infinite between ..- || bendable
tonality |+| + + fretless beast
# # &=^ gravitational pulls ||
.| orbit & deviation ^.. |.
delay / echo tape chance & & ||
degrees of freedom +0+ + +
map palette arcs _|. .|_ across
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found sound canvas ..- |.| spill pour grid |+|

..|. night crow no time graffiti angel |..| |.| icarus ghost bird ..- || radio pluto |+| +_+ washington avenue #_# &=^ bridge subway warehouse || ..|. symphony of metal ^.. |.| concrete & glass &_& || blades grass +0+ +_+ blades accordion ||| &=^ sheet music |...|. sheet metal ..-

.|_ watches for sale _|. |.|
circus hawker ..- || projected
image alley |+| +_+ film alley
lamp #_# &=^ shadow night ink ||
.|_ pool found object ^.. |.|
theater company sound &_& ||
foundry sound factory +0+ +_+ new
polyphony alienation ||| &=^
intersections junctions _|. .|_
friction resolution ..- |.| chords
ropes sails |+|

..|. geographic information
systems layers maps |..| |.|
routes destinations ..- || vectors
fields pixel web join caught

number cells facts |+| +_+ dense
matrix #_# &=^ sparse sky ||

- ..|. city of sleep city of masks city of subway & turnstile |..|
 |.| too close stand back headlights ..- || tracks nyx boat coin chaos birds |+| +_+ stain permeate imprint drench spill #_# &=^ illuminate transcribe prime stretch nail ||
- .|_ theater of the very small theater of passions theater of stairwells _|. |.| theater of windows of doors of bus stop shelter of boat of wind of oar & effort ..- || railway roadway highway meadow |+| +_+ this place this platform this vacant #_# &=^ iowa small tool shed top hill grave field ||
- ..|. field notes double reed
 hollow log |..| |.| breaking hard
 ground ..- || thatch root
 millennia ruptured disrupted |+|
 +_+ buffalo fire & the fire
 tenders #_# &=^ lace boots & =>
 functions of lists reduce / fold

filter map || ..|. irretrievable calculation distillation contours
^.. |.| physics of oars physics of rope & gears &_& || physics of taut independence bound inter dependence +0+ +_+ cycling time flow graph calculus of change & motion ||| &=^ tangents & intersections flux weather elements wind |..| ..|. there exists an x a y a maybe just nothing ..- |.| suppose this |+| || not silence exactly # #

.|_ particles of speech particles of sound particles of exchange _|.
|.| molecular transfer diagrams schema ontologies syntax relations
..- || punctuations blank space lines unfolding hollow tunnel echo static dial |+| +_+ encode translate transform (re)cover uncover reverse #_# &=^ verb => noun => past tense || .|_ neural net language drip radio wave resilience ^.. |.| co2 => biomass => soil &_& || the deep & tangled dark sea horizon wind sail blades of grass +0+ +_+ sky to earth to

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text texture textile |||

..... physical laws governing theorems systems form & function |..| |.| n-body species interaction multi lingual multi scale stoichiometric ..- || molecular spectral choral networks |+| + + multiple frame rates multiple scales projections synchronized moments colliding # # &=^ separating departures arrivals hydrology of energy & material & landscape & time (clocks) || ...|. meeting at a time at a table in a cafe in a town on a specific day ^.. | . | a moment specific coordinates & & || exchange of goods voyage of goods transference encounter +0+ + + chance the niche habitat fractal niche | | | &=^ harmonic series resonating sympathetic vibrating stable tonal isotopic | .. | .. |. ladders chutes pipes circuits ..- |.| currencies carbon nitrogen phosphorous rain |+| || ladders pipes circuits energetic exchange system currency commerce # # + + transformation

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conversion manufacture of material information transmitted || &=^ synthesis of data production efficiency nutrient use economy ^...|. intelligence craft gears assembly pipelines factories blueprint &_& |.| conservation of energy expenditure of energy conflagration carbon +0+ || coal bones oil organics drilled excavated broken harnessed released |||

.| goal ::: a net for capture seismograph of wind knowledge graphs monads |. |. | cybernetics books boat numerical recipes algorithms formulas dictionaries ..- || structures grammar syntax dynamics choreographies |+| + + configurations changes chord progressions # # &=^ harmonic sets heterotrophs producers fungal nutrient pools | . | weather self-organizing clockworks ^.. |.| a computing machine gears the mail a cloth & & || checkerboard abacus a network of relations +0+ + + attracting orbit counting mapping

computing ||| &=^ navigation a
compass the ocean _|. .|_ a sailor
ropes & tackle wind & helm ..-

..|. it was like this every
morning |..| |.| every night ..|| every afternoon |+| +_+ every
hour every day every particle
every sweep #_# &=^ of hand every
nuclear click digital + & || ..|.
watches for sale for locomotion
^.. |.| for steam oil coal crash
&_&

.| knapsack traveler nomad grazer quest pollinator pathways routes |. |. | corridors migrations disrupted interrupted poisoned clock stop last page ..- || extinction countable few zero gone |+| + + fragmentation no chute no ladder no path no way through over under # # &=^ bridge collapsed railway fallen circuit broken echo dulled | | . | tape erased ^.. | . | invisible map red-sky morning red mourning red warning & & || self assembly +0+ + + the art of ||| &=^ steering listening |. .| reception feedback ..- |.| fluidity response |+| || count

back count back #_# +_+ systems cognition circuits learning emergence flux flow || &=^ code embedded deep in cell in memory in twisted strands an alphabet a code ^...

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..... memory motel memory text textile knots |..| |.| memory prayer memory fair memory microscope ..- || counted collected collated stored |+| + + clouds the cloud circuits wireless # # &=^ electromagnetic flux & flow electron tubes & spark knots & tables columns & graphs || ...|. syntax vowels & minerals rhythm transactions exchange ^.. |.| elliptical pathways & & || orbits sea of memory navigation colliding waves +0+ + + across along space rope | . . |

.|_ re-listen record past voice wind grass bird _|. |.| a re enactment an inhabitance embeddedness ..- || past landscapes topologies geologies cellular matrix |+| +_+ diorama of exquisite detail alive stilled waiting silent #_# &=^ animate breathe illuminate turn the rusty gears wind the clock || .|

alternating currents push zero pull rise level fall accelerate ^.. |. | pivot turn tangents of rest inflections & & || oars a boat receiver transmission +0+ + + copper wire & air release the signal like icarus to sky | | | &=^ earth surface invisible tracks |. .| 1906 triode tube (last voice) ..- |. | sensitive receiver ::: electromagnetic waves |+| || ocean of chatter information signals beats sound # # + + modulate frequencies cathode ray relay amplify || &=^ resonate signal expansion dial tune voice ^.. . |_ spider silk taut web spinning affixed to slender stalk & & |.| root stem leaves flowerhead +0+ || culm (blade & sheath) inflorescent splendor |||

..... honored listeners present & absent today (yesterday) |..| |.| honored receivers future reception ..- || audion circuit |+| + + grid-leak detector diode || grid => cathode # # &=^ regenerative form | | ... |. telephony radio talking newspaper ^.. |. | text => speech => signals => waves => recording => radiation => distillation & & || electrons through a vacuum wireless bodyless +0+ + + space without a filament without a spark without a fire | | | &=^ morse code => speech => music => flight |...| ...|. thermionic emission liberation ..-|.| electrode release electron temperature (heat => leap) |+| || thermal energy => charge carrier material work function catapult trapeze # # + + electromagnetic waves through a gap => light || &=^ electromagnetic fields are a filament not a plow ^.. radio frequency identification of goods & & |.| markers of heat of

movement +0+

.|_ supermarket radio _|. |.|
carbon isotope detection trophic
code ..- || visceral magnetic
gravity pulse |+| +_+ arterial
electrical currents light #_# &=^
static noise || .|_ the message
^.. |.| metal surface heat &_& ||
thermoelastic bend & flow +0+ +_+
ions eons millennia ||| &=^ vinyl
disk _|. .|_ labeled iron shelf
..- |.| dustlit volume |+| ||
dancehall volume #_# +_+
phonograph telegraph || &=^
braille ^.. .|_ spinner &_& |.|
feedback +0+

..|. microscope observatory tiny
vial |..| |.| tiny xylophone tiny
ribcage ..-

.|_ tube => transistor cathode ray
tube _|. |.| raster digital pixel
knowing ..- || language drawing
vector contour lost |+|

..|. cloud of pixels probabilities
clump densities likelihood noise
|..| |.| boltzmann entropy

analogue encoded signal
computation ..- || digit swarm
translation |+|

.|_ literature science novel science poetry science _|. |.| narrative past text pollination ..- || picture science syntax metaphor diagram |+| +_+ divine static steady state #_# &=^ mythic science || .|_ evolving ever changeful circle science ^.. |.| taut self-organizing orbit science &_& || geometric atmospheric light nitrogen +0+ +_+ nutrient profile adaptation ||| &=^ mineral light weather water _|. .|_ vial drop science ..- |.| torn curtain broken window chaos science |+|

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..|. skull telescope |..| |.|
recorded playback frame ..- ||
incomplete phonetics |+| +_+
extinct past taxon gap #_# &=^
cipher thrivance teeming whole ||
..|. an awkward re assemblance ^..
|.| blank missing vertex node &_&
|| absent click track metrics
scale & score +0+
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.|_ archive junk drawer weather babel chaos din _|. |.| vinyl recordings musical notations ..- || frequencies harmonics rhythm velocities |+| +_+ charges changes coupled difference equations #_# &=^ probabilistic time series snapshots samples pressings indices || .|_ the symbols were known but the phonetics were lost ^.. |.| the clocks were out of phase &_& || pulse & counting skew +0+

..|. breathe animate spark |..|
|.| pollination proliferation
mineralization ..- || green

pigment chlorophyll carbon water weaving milling spinning |+| +_+ oxygen energy light #_# &=^ moment ratio cello ratio orchestra ratio choir ratio grassland ratio || ...|. wetland ratio ocean redfield ratio broken stick vibrating string ^... |. | eigenvalues slanted towards instability collisional cycling &_& || lack of continuance certain chaos +0+ +_+ queer nonlinear signal skewed ||| &=^ bent |...|

.|_ incompatible not computable indecipherable inscrutable _|. |.| interval of change flux charge exchange transition evolution dynamics ..- || flow bifurcations unbound untied |+| +_+ sudden cloud break asymptotic stable stillness center #_# &=^ an orbit a continuance a vector field exuberance || .|_ neon vibration computation geologic carbon spilled across the sea ^.. |.| deep beneath the surface roots shredded ancient bones past sink store archive lock & & || zero

hero carbon sink pivot tangent steady drop +0+

...|. cloud upside down root
sequestration |...| |..| stop hold
bar block this avalanche of loss
..- || skeleton machine skull
writing ceiling wailing keening
siren howl feedback broken |+| +_+
wire cricket friction klezmer
waltz reed membrane wind bone
mallet hollow stem #_# &=^ a
regiment of meadow || ...|. circus
tent swirling dendrite dervish
dance cybernetic helm storm mast
mass ^.. |.| sunless subway depth
&_&

.|_ horsepower wind dams & mill harness velocity reactant _|. |.| nutrient use production efficiency industry! rhizome microbes bacteria ..- || soil rushes moss wing drawers files books tape press type ink compression & encodings |+| +_+ digital transcriptions vinyl pressings drawings equations journals samples collections bodies #_# &=^

filaments antenna wing skull vertebrae jaw hand stalk leaf flower pollen | . | route cellular trace remnants residue ^.. |. | film plaster fossil cave ochre & charcoal forms contours the hunt the relation the web & & || pins papers stamp data survey study researcher walking catching pulling recording retrieving +0+ + + net knapsack bullet glove transect count map compare average mean value | | | &=^ variation noise signal caught taxonomy of system observation of change |. .| record function deduction of web

...|. fires wind walls cross the plains |...| |..| siberian methane craters epoch ice mass glaciers melted ..- || carbon water torrents spew |+| +_+ glaciers plastic castles plastic wasteland acid death zone #_# &=^ tsunami mass breadth depth force physics || ...|. pandemic fascist prisons state-blue murder ^... |.| homeless ghosts plywood window &_& || cafe stalled railways vacant buslines +0+ +_+ emergency crisis full wards breathless death |||

.|_ hunger walks through newsprint clickbait _|. |.| advertisement-laced bad news ..- || devastating news unprecedented news every-day cataclysmic criminal leader news |+| +_+ felon leaders moloch leaders consuming leaders devouring leaders marrow sucking leaders #_# &=^ maskless faithless villains bearing flags & spewing venom ||

..|. & citizen knapsack bandaged wanderers |..| |.| greasy coughing last-legs diner masked ghosts ..-

...|. why is this day unlike any other day? |...| |...| this moment this view this inflection bending curve like no other ..- || or why is this day like an other once upon a time dinosaur last-day meteorite explosion |+| +_+ dusty smoke-filled orange sky #_#

.|_ start again empty chalkboard
_|. |. | wound tape deck of cards
..- || blank recording unpressed
vinyl unengraved metal open cave
|+| +_+ an equation computation
restoration symphony #_# &=^
incantation animation last stop
grassland texaco station || .|_
origin of species perfect ratio
entanglement bank fragile web
steady state ^.. |. | forever
abundant resplendent frictionless
eternal energy oxygen machine & &

..|. repairman rider passenger hero (ze)ro lone bird |..| |.| the blade the dyke the bird (our hero zero rider ze) ..- || arrived on

platform wasteland meadow track
|+| +_+ worn suitcase sandwich
coffee thermos #_# &=^ tepid brown
liquid greasy paper || ..|.
creased map ^.. |.| compass light
& & || lucky strike +0+