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### FOLLOW THE ACTORS TO TRACE THE NETWORKS THAT CREATE HIDDEN DIS/ABILITIES

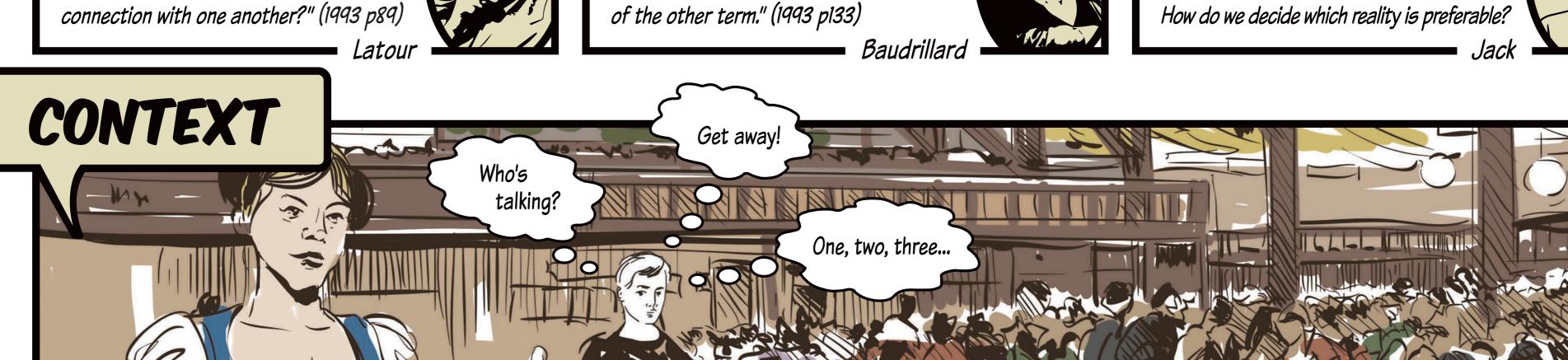
## THEORISTS

"The moderns are quite right to want reality, language, society and being all at once.

They are wrong only in believing that these sets are forever contradictory. Instead of always analyzing the trajectory of quasi-objects by separating these resources, can we not write as if they ought to be in continuous

"The symbolic is what puts an end to this disjunctive code and to separated terms. It is the utopia that puts an end to the topologies of the soul and the body, man and nature, the real and the non-real, birth and death. In the symbolic operation, the two terms lose their reality. The reality principle is never anything other than the imaginary of the other term." (1993 p133)

How could the definition of hidden,
mental dis/abilities be transformed?
What are the specificities of hidden dis/abilities?
How are they constructed?
What type of agencies play a role
and how do they influence the experience?
How do we decide which reality is preferable?





### IMPACT

HIDDEN, MENTAL DIS/ABILITIES HAVE NEVER BEEN A STABLE, ORDERED AND FIXED REALITY, BUT THEY ARE REPEATEDLY PERFORMED, DISSOLVED AND REPRODUCED

IN THE COMPLEX INTERACTIONS OF MULTIPLE HUMAN AND NON-HUMAN ACTORS WITHIN WEBS OF CONNECTIONS. NETWORKS TEMPORARILY STABILISE, AND LABELS HELP CREATE THE IMPRESSION THAT HIDDEN DIS/ABILITIES ARE SET, PERMANENT AND DEFINITE STATES.

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