

# Haraway Bookshelf/ Carrier Bag Theory and Practice

## 2.Dialectical Ecology a. Stacy Alaimo - Health

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# Transcorporeality

- “New Materialist”
  - Response to an anti-materialist /essentialist feminism
    - Re-integrating re-negotiating the “sharp opposition between nature and culture” which produced the distinction between sex and gender
  - Giving agency to “matter”
    - Matter --> Mother
    - “How matter comes to matter”

# Barad: Agential Realism

- “intra-action”
- Contingent Knowledges
- Complementarity
  - > Dialectics ---> dialectical ecology --->
- A question of methodology?

# Epistemological Space

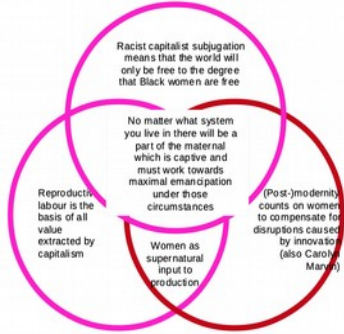
“Epistemological “space” becomes ethical in environmental philosophy and feminist theory because it repels presumptions of human mastery that would reduce the stuff of life to mere “resources” for human consumption. Epistemological space needs to be contiguous space—it is always as close as our own skin— and yet it offers ample room for the more-than-human world to act, and, more to the point, to intra-act, in surprising ways.”

- trans-corporeal feminisms and the ethical space of nature p.251

# 1. Ergo-feminism

Schwartz-Cohen ⇔ Federici

⇔ James



Intensification of capitalist exploitation preys on social reproduction and forces it to reorganize/compensate for each innovation of extraction. This new compensation strategy is subsequently subject to extraction

Butler – imagination/  
Einbildungskraft

Feminist + post-feminist  
- strong and autonomous female characters, often trapped in inescapable exploitative circumstances, but not always by patriarchy/capitalism, and not through their weakness or empathy, but in a way that is entirely also shared by masculinity as well.

It is human to be subject to circumstances beyond one's control. It is human empathize whether this is reciprocated or not – it is human surrender and survive. Humanity is just a part of something bigger.

## 2. Dialectical Ecology

Economy @ physis φύειν

Alaimo  
(feminist) New Materialism

- reintegrating human, especially modern human activity / reproduction within a broader material intra-agency which integrates insights from quantum/particle physics (complementarity, material agency, contingency), biology, bio-chemistry as well as folk, vernacular and indigenous knowledge and experience.

“Feminist objectivity makes room for surprises and ironies at the heart of all knowledge production. We are not in charge of the world”

Haraway *Simians, Cyborgs, and Women*: p. 199

- struggles explicitly with language – accessing poetry, oral history, pictorial discursive elements.  
- Derrida “there is no outside of text”

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1400-1430 introduction  
1430-1530 reading  
1530-1600 discussion

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