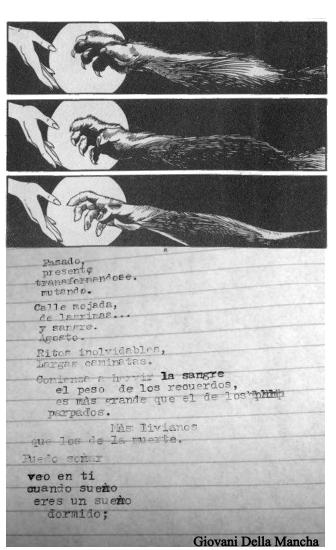


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the bio-diesel bus ride to the radical faery redoubt two thirds up the west slope of sierra madre del sur takes time but and because of inflationary hypersubjectivity nobody agrees on just how much time clocks of every sort are distrusted smashed used for parts and potions and or ground to dust and injected directly in an attempt to make one a better machine forever conflating upgrade with evolution the transubstantiation of the mobilefone is complete god is a network and not even nothing is above mess and measure so just what nothing is or might be becomes a subject of constant debate and or something to fight about a dark matter schools football teams even political parties and their militias are based on notions of nothing on a lighter side the colour green has a worldwide cult following its various hues and shades despite having devolved into sects are united in a holy war against the rest of the visible spectrum are the only things that don't lie they are feared like witches i am tired my hands are red and my face is foreign to me and everybody i know the earth is broken everything we have ever done to be herenow will be done again and again and again generating more and more and more and more waste changing exactly nothing succumb to retrospection i would float away on a river of tears i am instinct only coiled here now on this bus i remember occasional brightblue skies the acrid smell of sweat berry flavoured lube and laying 7 dozen eggs between mexico city and now some we bartered for favours others we sold on the beige market aka obay the rest we ate hard-boiled soft-boiled scrambled fried over-easy raw time passes or is arrested on false charges convicted sentenced to life thrown in prison beat-up molested shattered broken now only a number birth name forgotten an animal prowling the dark corridors of a building long abandoned feeding on weakness speakingthereof on this bus for an extra fee you can get video delivered to a screen on the seatback in front of you we watch kittens playing with balls of yarn asmr clips tutorials on starting your own organ farm and pornography all the imagery blurrsandbecomes one long originary epic of curling soft squeaky fur petted into mountains and smoothed into plains by large clay-brown hands twisting forming turbid torrents foaming effluential lakes and oceans of digital images the churning of ones and zeroes the 1's and o's of cockcunt tongue fingers poking stroking mouths munching licking spitting eggs speckled blue white brown and a giant manwoman both and no organs only 1's and o's golemesque also speckled blue white brown grown from dirt dancing and smashing with every foot thrust the earth's crust rocks crushed and dust rubble waste clouds loom electric waiting atmospherelike for more kittens more eggs more mouths and cocks and cunts 1's and o's to eat and be turning my head away from the thought or the screen to the window trees brown and green blur by and the bus picks up speed descending there is no denying the faux innocent come-hither mien of a kitten purred the kovid kid reaching for the lube



A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO MODDING

Mods are the most common and appreciated topic for a gamer. A mod is a modification of game content created by a user of the game, and examples might include skins, abilities, gameplay features, fixes, etc....

Mods have been a crucial part in gaming history since the 1980s. From the creation of art to simple alteration of files and objects, there have always been mods in PC gaming for almost every title possible. The most famous game that is still thriving with mods is The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim. From 2011 this game has received more than 70 000 mods (the number is still Workshops, growing!) Steam in Nexusmods and other sources. Most users create content as a form of self-expression or simply insert their favorite character from another franchise into the game, while others create entire new adventures or worlds, and some eventually patch the game itaself.

When it comes to unofficial patching, probably the first title to come to mind is Vampire: The Masquerade - Bloodlines (RPG masterpiece from 2004), which had the unfortunate fate of losing official support pretty early, right after its second update. Suffice to say that the game was a coding mess in every conceivable way. It took years, a great community and a lot of unofficial updates to transform this shameful stone into an astonishing diamond. Nowadays, not only the title is nowadays working, but it is also yery well optimized for modern systems. 4

But how are developers reacting to modding and the idea of their game being ripped apart and re-imagined as something

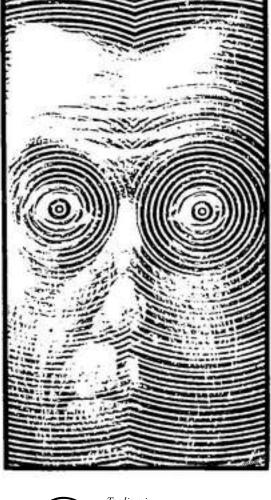
else? Feelings are mixed. Some, like Valve, the giant behind Steam, are extremely open to the modding community and even included the Steam Workshop in its store - a platform where, with the developer's agreement, all sorts of mods can be uploaded (with the exception of pornographic content). In titles like Audiosurf 2 there are plenty of game modes and artistic alternative routes to try out.\and in War for the Overworld there are a lot of original maps and scenarios to win. Other developers, on the other hand, are reluctant to accept modding and there are cases where if the game detects some strange or missing files or unofficial content it might block itself or the achievement progression. In this case the only way to use mods is to play the game entirely offline.

Although happening outside the official developers' control, modding has its consequences even on the market. When mods themselves enjoy success as if they were the actual game people develop ideas to improve it and eventually create a new game out of it. For example, LoL (aka League of Legends) was born from the core idea of a Warcraft III mod called DotA

Defense of the Ancients (sounds familiar?) in which the players were able to fight with their favorite hero/villain without most of the strategic components of the original game. Another huge title that was conceived as a mod is Counter-Strike, born from a modification of Half-Life.

Finally, we can see modding as love letters from players to other players, to the developers, to a world which constantly evolves its structure of expression throughout its community.

Dark Demon





Tagliarsi

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Giovanna Demarchi









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