Anarchaia: 20 years later

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What it looked like

Experimental, impressionistic sub-paragraph tumblin' (think obstsalat)

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Thought
That's it, folks. This is the last issue of Anarchaia. Life goes on at Trivium. See you all on the other side.

» LHC Grid Fest, "When the Large Hadron Collider comes into operation, it will begin to produce an expected 15 million gigabytes of data every year, enough information to create a 21-kilometre-high stack of CDs annually. On 3rd October, the Worldwide Large Hadron Collider Computing Grid consortium announce the readiness of the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG), an e-infrastructure conceived and designed to support this data challenge."

» Ruby Manor, a promising conference idea.

» Missed Connections, mapped by state.

everything comes to an end by dsevilla

das ist als wuerde der ORF
aufhoeren zu senden :)
— Manuel Simoni

» Moving Beyond Modernism in 6 Easy Steps, a simple guide for architects.

» Tetris Tiles, want have!

So it's fare thee well my own true love,
We'll meet another day, another time.
It ain't the leavin'
That's a-grievin' me
But my true love who's bound to stay behind.
— Bob Dylan, Farewell

Origin story

I found many interesting things on the net
and shared them in a small IRC channel —
but most things were off-topic
and I wanted to share them with more
than 10 people...
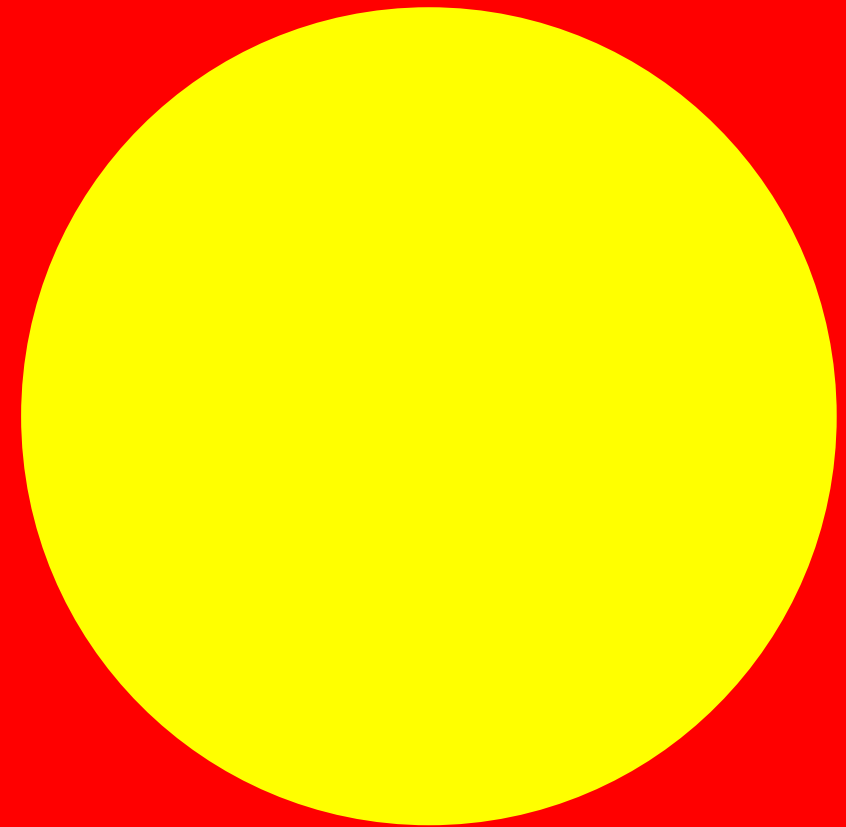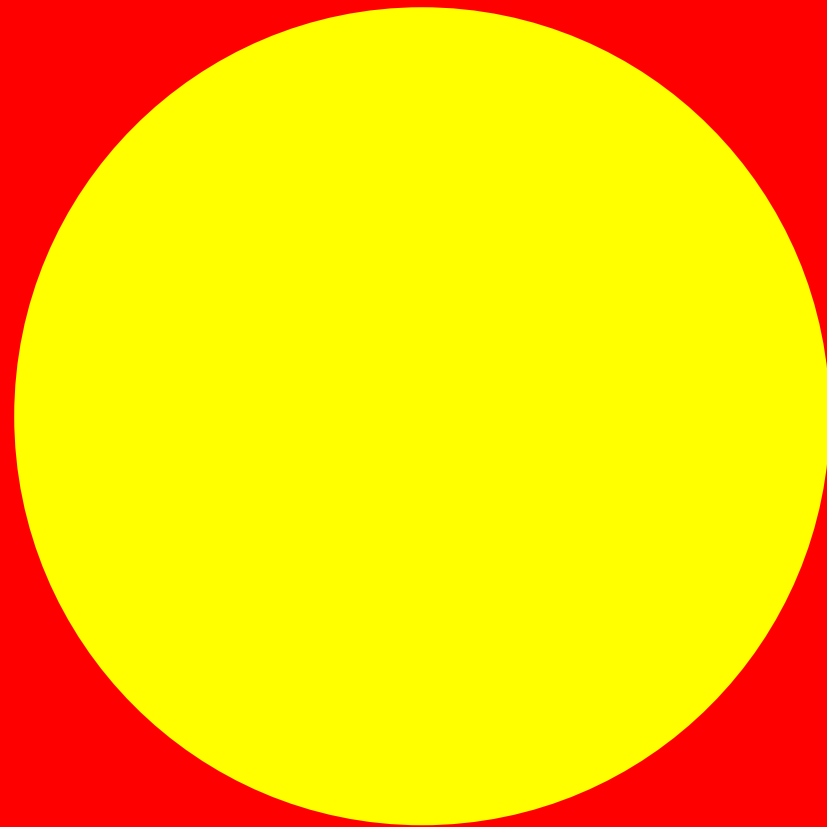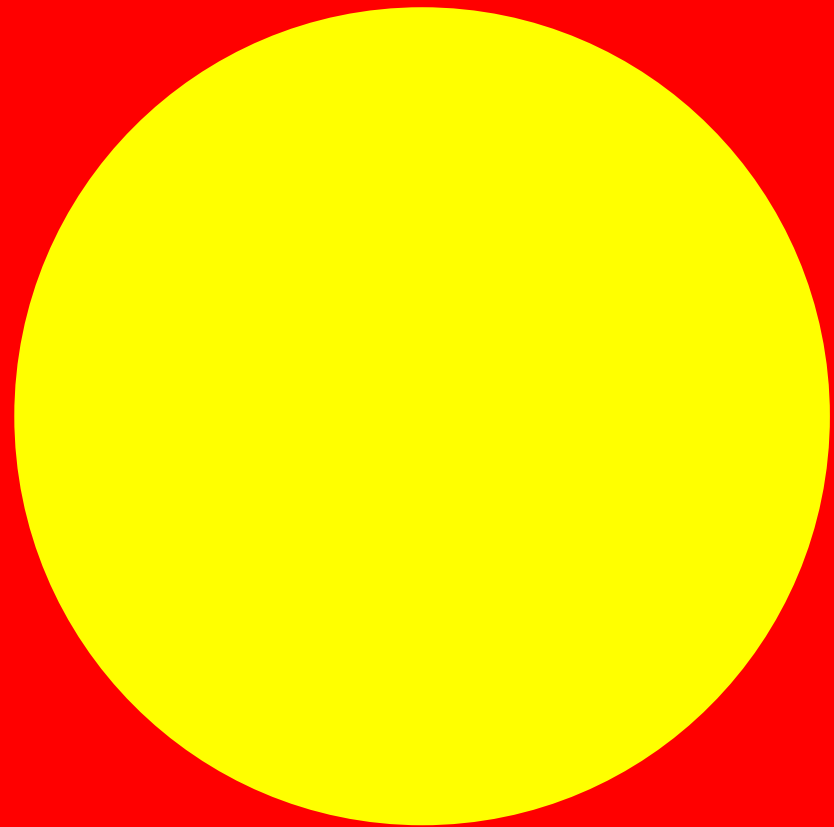
The naming

Statistics

2005–03–27 to 2008–10–03 (1163 days)

```
14358 <<link
 2436 <<flickr
 2180 <<lyrics
 1182 <<ircquote
  410 <<quote
  231 <<thought
```

~12 links per day

Software stack

— custom static site generator, written in Ruby
— custom markup language

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<<link << http://daringfireball.net/2008/05/title_case >>
  << Title Case >> in Perl, by John Gruber.>>
```

modus operandi

— collect links all day
— assemble a post in the evening

publishing once a day was uncommon for most tumblelogs

but think of the feed readers

projectionist
a **tumble** **log**

RSS

co·te·rie
[**koh**-*tuh*-ree] — *noun*

A small group of people with shared interests or tastes, esp. one that is exclusive of other people.

Be happy you're not

> **Resentment is like drinking poison and waiting for the other person to die.**
Carrie Fisher

Projectionist is a tumblelog Inspired by
Chris Neukirchen – Anarchaia.

Marcel Molina Jr.
Sam Stephenson
Chad Fowler
Patrick Ewing
Henry Seltzer

Archives

Tue Jan 5

lilt
[lilt] — *noun*

A characteristic rising and falling of the voice when speaking; a pleasant gentle accent.

Adobe Flash Player is no longer supported

C'est Si Bon – Eartha Kitt

project.ioni.st

submitresponse.co.uk

Tumblelist: 186 entries

Tumble

Contact: Jack Subscribe: RSS 2.0 Show/hide Tags

Tumblequote March 8, 2007 *I came across a lot of ethnic minority soldiers who were idle and useless…*–Patrick Mercer, Tory Homeland Security Spokesperson. So, still a bunch of racists, then. # race politics

⊕**Tumblelink** February 27, 2007 » Kill Your Idols– a documentary on New York music from post-punk to the recent past. # new york music documentary
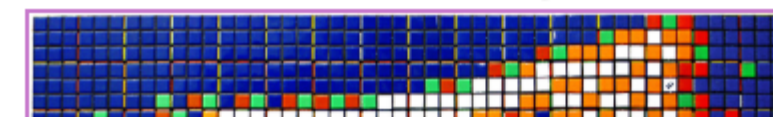
Φ**Tumblephoto** February 27, 2007

Pan blaster by Gerard. Galactic gargle not shown. # trinidad steel band instruments

⊕**Tumblelink** February 23, 2007 A map of things kind of related to comics # maps semantics comics

Φ**Tumblephoto** February 23, 2007

Influences

FREITAG, 4. APRIL 2008

From London, dear readership, I bring you great news (for some value of news: avid readers of esa enjoyed a one-day Informationsvorsprung durch [N800-]Technik):

The 32-bit version of kdb+ is now available for non-commercial use - at the very least the only restriction Kx put in is a protect new Qers from

At the same time, code.kx.com has been opened for public consumption (in fact, Niall Dalton switched index.htmls during his talk); among the many treasures you'll find there, a true gem is Jeffry Borror's Q for Mortals, an extensive (478-page!) tutorial on the language at the heart of kdb+.

Apart from the Tracish incarnation, Q for Mortals is also being published in book form; a "beta copy" made the rounds yesterday, and after sampling a few pages, I'll rush to fetch my copy as soon as it shows up on Euro-Amazons (it's already available from the mothership).

In earl's words: *Go play.*

2008-04-04-qTime

0 COMMENTS

MONTAG, 31. MÄRZ 2008

Drei Jahre bestes Tumblelog der Welt.

Where not even noise is numbing.

2008-03-31-triArch

10 Jahre Mozilla.

2008-03-31-dekaMoz

Ah, Sagmeister.

2008-03-31-sagAn

Dave Winer: "**Of course** Google is doing this, how could they not be. What's hard to believe is how much of a running start Microsoft, Yahoo, and Google have been willing to let Amazon have."

How long until G-Day? Months? Weeks? Days?

2008-03-31-gooHead

0 COMMENTS

SONNTAG, 30. MÄRZ 2008

"**Which explains** the origin of the earth?"

2008-03-30-originese

SEARCH

go get it

GET YOU

start
yahoo!

ALMOST YOU

So log in, fella
your langreiter
You always wan

Nearby in the t
dimension:
Nobody.
… and 85 of th
kind.

Click on ⚬ for
dose of lcom-t
probably not w
other browser

BACKLINKS

RECENT ED

Physaxe
Holumbus
Tenjin
Arthur Whit
VUE
AVX
Hartmann P
ZaMa
CuPP
Wayne Rosir

PLANETS

Lisp / Sq / RDF
SAP / Geo

ROTATIONA

gwg
hackr.de
michi
diggdot.us
toxi.in.process
dekorte

W, you're washed up

Weekly: Xplr : NYer-tns-ERR : Oni : NyP : PBS : UkG   Donate ('rocksausage')

Daily: dv : lfs : Amy : NYr : Crs : Nas : CD : ☐ : OIB : Poe : Ast : Zp : Dns : Vrs : W

RWx-jb-proj   [   ] Site search   jukebox

Continuous: / : lf : Plc : Ag : Hu : we : wx : ☐ : Gg : Rg : Gz : lx : Eu : BBC : NSc

NEW: Faked rss feed via Wytheville Comm'ty College (or another via xmlhub)

Headlines:

Titan's blur-gazers 'see' water-ice islands (U2day w/pic)
UK surrealist community getting organised (AbsArts)
New Harper's Index (fun stats) (Harper's)
Possible all-dark-matter galaxy (Hubble w/pix via Eureka)
Bait-n-switch Katrina volunteers treated like slaves (AP-Nola)
Boycott gas-station mini-marts? (VA via Sam)
Five "March of the Penguins" followups that neo-creationists will shun (Loom-short)
Hands-on details on Motorola iTunes phone (Engadget-1pg-phat)
$1B (Canadian) hydro-upgrade at Niagara Falls (CBC-vshort)
Smart software lets phonecams scan textpages (NewSci)
PrankWatch: Profane word mowed into lawn is protected speech (NE w/wmv)
Firefox-spinoff 'Flock' built for blogging (Tang w/Wired)
New musical about Upton Sinclair's 1934 run for gov (E&P; w/popup)
Old-boys-club includes WaPo-NyT nightly scoop-swap (E&P;)
Scott Ritter on neocons' disastrous Iran strategy (aJ-long via Gorilla)
Mindbogglingly tiny rc 'silicon inchworm' (Dartmouth w/QT via Eureka)
Detailed rave for iPod Nano (UkReg w/pix)
New poll: Does your OS implement scrolling and menus well? (MrPoll-short)
Five of 75 RWWL readers have two mommies, 17 have the bomb (MrPoll-watchoogot-results)
Kinks' Ray Davies' 20-20 mugged-in-Nola hindsight (UkTms via Mom)
Regulations show Chertoff more negligent than Brown (KR via Mom)
Launch your own nano-satellie, just $80k (Cnet)
Mr Madonna (Guy Ritchie) blames film flop on kabbalah (Fem1st)
Kate Moss edits, sings for French Vogue (BrandRep)
Strange scratchy image of Saturn's moon Pandora (1000^2 jpeg) [cf]
PrankWatch: Drunk stripped, smeared w/frosting to attract dogs (WA-no-pix)
Hidden "ui=blg" Blogspot-interface to GgBlogsearch (via GgB-rss)
Nice turnaround-time for that EdB!
Google blogsearch debuts (GgB pattern via RegUk) [more]
18 state-of-the-art ajax web-apps/demos (V4th w/links via Bisset)
Don't-miss new GetYourKatrinaFloodingOn toons (mnftiu-1pg)
Historical archive of experimental multimedia (Ubu-multi via Momus)
USA plans 1500mile wall at Pak-Afghan border! (UkG via Ag)
Israel's is 450 miles at ~$1M/mile, Berlin was 100 miles long
Tuesday:
Apted's "7 Up" comes "49 Up" (UkG)
PrankWatch: Deflating SUV-tires non-destructively not a crime in Paris (UkTms-short)
Galloway-Hitchens live streaming debate Wed. evening (dIreland w/links)
Danny Elfman hates Sam Raimi now (moviehole via movieblog)
Weave a wifi detector into your wardrobe (1pg-phat Engadget)

Blogging has mutated into simpler forms (specifically, link- and mob- and aud- and vid- variant), but I don't think I've seen a blog like Anarchaia, which fudges together a bunch of disparate forms of citation (links, quotes, flickrings) into a very long and narrow and distracted tumblelog.

— _why the lucky stiff

A tumblelog is a quick and dirty stream of consciousness, a bit like a remaindered links style linklog but with more than just links. They remind me of an older style of blogging, back when people did sites by hand, before Movable Type made post titles all but mandatory, blog entries turned into short magazine articles, and posts belonged to a conversation distributed throughout the entire blogosphere.

— Jason Kottke

Tumblr — Karp & Arment, February 2007

Sold for $1.1bn to Yahoo in 2013
Sold for $3m to Automattic in 2019

Features: tags, reblogs, dashboard

135m active users / month (2025)

soup.io — Clay & Fittel & Fuchs, April 2007 to 2020

6m users

Features: memetic Polish community

DashCon

Repeating links is good because no two readers follow exactly the same set of logs, and repetition helps to emphasize the best articles.

— Jorn Barger (Sep. 1999)

I disagreed, but I guess I was wrong.

Twitter — Dorsey & Glass & Stone & Williams, March 2006

140 chars (SMS gateway!)
Posting pictures added in 2011
280 chars by 2017

Features: @-mentions, threads, retweets
(all invented by users)

Wordpress 5.0 (2018)
Gutenberg editor

Be your own builder.

Browse all blocks

Blocks allow you to build your own custom posts and pages without any coding knowledge. Here's a selection of the default blocks included with Gutenberg:

Paragraph	Heading	Media & Text	Image	Cover	Gallery

Video	Audio	Columns	File	Code	List

Questions?

Special thanks to archive.org