

The Three Syntheses Constituting the Unconscious

Deleuze and Guattari, Anti-Oedipus

Synthesis	Name	Series		Theory	Example	Risks
Connective Synthesis	Of Production	And... And... And Then... And Then...(5)	Continual	Connections (sexual/physiological "charge" - Freudian drives), part-objects (often but not always organs), multiple, heterogeneous, continual. Organ machine's ever proliferating connections (6).	an eye and a face; a finger and a mouth; a mouth and the atmosphere;	Fixation
Dsjunctive Synthesis	Of Recording	Either... Or... Or...	Open-ended	Connections are recorded on a surface (the BwO). Connections made based on either production or anti-production.		
		Productive		Connections that, through the process of desiring-production, work to and eventually produce a product -- those connections are woven into a network which marks off the surface of BwO like a grid (12).	Satisfaction of producing it's product (infant feels satisfied after suckling on the breast) registered on BwO	
		Anti-Productive		Anti-production breaks humans from instinctual determinism. When the existing connection is interrupted/suspended and re-directed toward a different connection. (a multiplication of connections)	Trying something new (new food, new route, new game).	Systematic denial of production internalized (self-denial/ neurosis) Extreme case: all denial, no connections = catatonia
Conjunctive Synthesis	Of Consumption-Consummation			Subjectivity is the <i>after-affect</i> of the inter-play of connection/disjunction on the BwO. Produced constellations/states of intense experience recognized/consummated <i>ex post facto</i> .		
		Consumption		The subject emerges to "consume" (enjoy/suffer) what has been produced from the interplay between production/anti-production.		
		Consummation		The subject claims mastery/ownership over the BwO which gave rise to the subject.	The retrospective "oh, that's me!" (17-8)	
		Limit Case: Neurotic		Anti-production prevailing: Desiring-production is denying one or many connections, instead fixating on an ungratifying substitute.		
		Limit Case: Pervert		Production Prevailing: Unorthodox productive organ-connection despite (or, maybe because of) social sanctions against it		