

Nanopublication – Removing the garment does not retract the debate: P25's arrival-clause grips, but the state is a third actor the two-party model has no name for

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On the single claim it can test here – that arrival, once produced, is not something any party can retract – the lens grips without strain, confirmed by the fact that removing the garment from Joan of Arc did not undo the debate it had already caused. The edge is that the source introduces a third party (state authority) absent from the framework's emitter/receiver pair; P25 still predicts the outcome correctly, but the propositions have nothing to say about the position that tried, and failed, to prevent it.

WHAT THE SOURCE SAYS [1]

French student protesters in 2026, echoing May 1968, have repurposed public monuments to voice grievances over police violence, underfunded schools, and the cost of living: draping the Monument à la République in mourning cloth, dressing Marianne in a yellow vest, streaking the Place de la République's allegorical maidens with black tears, toppling a bust in Marseille, and tying a Palestinian flag to a Joan of Arc statue in Toulouse. The last act was reversed by authorities, who removed the flag and vest, which in turn provoked public argument over whether the gesture was an attack on national identity or a show of international solidarity. The piece situates these acts within a longer lineage of monument-based protest, from 1968's red flags on Pasteur and Hugo to BLM's toppling of colonial statues.

WHERE THE LENS GRIPS

P25's claim that diffraction is an effect located in the receiver, universal in the sense that no reception occurs without an interval from the emission, grips this case cleanly. The 1883 'Monument à la République' and the other statues function here as century-old emissions; the protesters are receivers producing meanings (a yellow vest, black tears, a draped flag) that the original sculptors neither instituted nor could have instituted. The article furnishes concrete evidence for P25's sovereignty clause – that the emitter

disposes of execution but no one disposes of the arrival: when authorities 'promptly removed' the vest and flag from the Joan of Arc statue, they stripped the execution-level object but not the reception it had already produced. The piece reports the removal itself 'sparked fierce online debate' – the split between those who saw an attack on national identity and those who saw a bridge between struggles is exactly the arrival surviving the retraction of its occasion.

WHERE IT BREAKS

The edge is in the cast of actors, not the mechanism. P25's sovereignty clause speaks of a two-party structure – an emitter who disposes of institution and execution, a receiver whose arrival no one disposes of. Here a third actor (the police/municipal authority) intervenes in execution after the political emission has already happened, neither emitting the original wave nor receiving it, but attempting to retroactively undo a prior absence of control. The lens has no vocabulary for this third position – it is silent on the state as a distinct actor rather than wrong about the outcome it still correctly predicts (the diffraction outlives the removal).

PROPOSITIONAL GRID [2]

Read this grid. “Not evaluated” does **not** mean the source has nothing to say about that proposition. It means **the reading did not instruct it**. That is not a result, and it counts in no denominator. A silence, by contrast, is a finding: the reading touched the proposition without concluding, or noted its absence itself.

Evaluated

proposi- tion		audit status	relational verdict
P25	Universal Diffraction	audited	evidence-for

What was instructed. These propositions have been judged and carry a current statement: it is **that** statement the reading tested, not the founding one.

• **P25** – judged in Note 06 · current statement : diffraction is an effect in the receiver; the series takes Haraway's pattern, not her practice; what arrives can have causes, depend on an activity, be learned and be changed afterwards without having been done; universal = no zero case, i.e. no reception without an interval from the emission

Remarkable silences

1 called for by what the reading found, and absent from the source.

• **P15** – Relational Transmission
the reading establishes that P25's emitter/receiver dyad (the structure P15 names as the requirement of 'an emitter and a receiver') correctly predicts the outcome, but a two-party model without a term for the intervening state authority is incomplete, and that third-party vocabulary is absent – a gap the reading itself names.

Not evaluated (35) – P1, P2, P3, P3a, P4, P5, P6, P7, P8, P9, P10, P11, P12, P13, P14, P14a, P14b, P16, P16a, P17, P18, P18a, P19, P19a, P20, P21, P22, P23, P24, P26, P27, P28, P29, P30, P31

Overall verdict: Bounded – taxonomy of the August 2026 pass, predating the move to relational verdicts. Kept as metadata: the gap between the two forms is data, not residue. This reading's judgement is in the grid above.

Reading of 2026-10-22 · model claude-sonnet-5 · source 7,970 chars · 2 attempt(s)

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[2] Quercy, A. (2026). The 31 Propositions of Ideamorphism. <https://ideamorphism.org/en/publications/2026/03/the-31-propositions-of-ideamorphism.html>

EPISTEMIC PROFILE

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