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## reflesh

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reflesh is based on the documentation of different demonstrations taking place in Berlin. Demonstrations in a wealthy society often fight against quite abstract enemies, such as capitalism. Also, the goals that demonstrations wish to achieve often remain on a general level. The general aim of the demonstrators can be seen to be taking part of the meeting as an event and to encourage fellow citizens and especially the audience to think similarly.

Left-wing activists and groups organise larger demonstrations in Berlin. Demonstrations gather different interested parties, for example *Antifa* (a movement against fascism), the *Linke Party* (a left wing party), trade unions, etc. Participants use differering tactics. For example one part of *Antifa* can be considered to be the *'Black Block'* - people who are generally dressed in black, seeking confrontation with the police. Some demonstrations take place in the form of a street carnival or party.

On a personal level, taking part in a demonstration can be very emotional. Demonstrators form some sort of joint body or joint space in which rules apply that are different from the everyday, neutralised use of urban space. A demonstration can also be seen as re-activating your own body.





























