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# Design as a place-making solution



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### The Bicycle Urbanism People

Planning, infrastructure, policy, strategy, communications, master classes

Copenhagen, Sao Paulo, Winnipeg, Dublin, Rotterdam, Norwegian Transport Ministry, Groningen, etc.

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7000 YEARS



For 7000 years, streets were the most democractic spaces in the history of homo sapiens.





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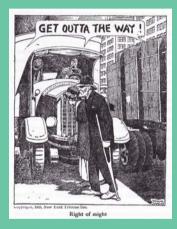
The car changed our perception of what streets are for. As well as traffic "engineering".

It happened overnight. Out of desperation.

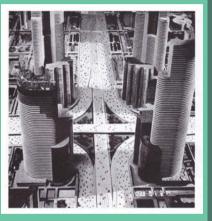
It was massive.

YEARS

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### The Automobile Industry Wakes Up

- Marketing and spin inventing "jaywalking"
   Removing obstacles crosswalks and playgrounds
   Name calling "old fashioned"
- It took 2 decades

This change in our perception of streets is the greatest paradigm shift in the history of homo sapiens in cities.

We're still paying the price.



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"The fact is that automobiles no longer have a place in the big cities of our time"

Bertrand Delanöe Mayor of Paris 2002-2014



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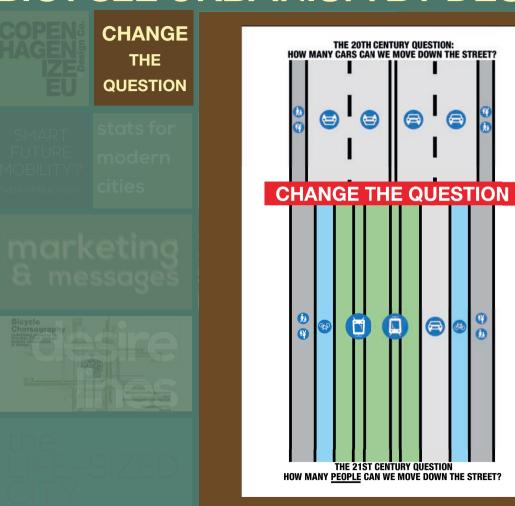
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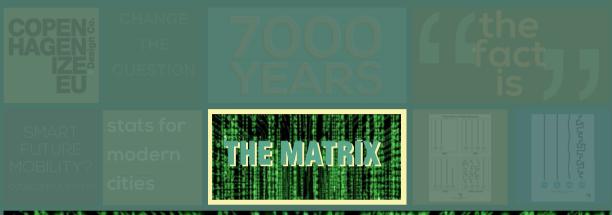
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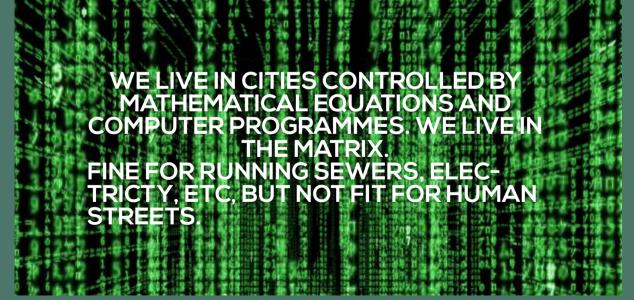


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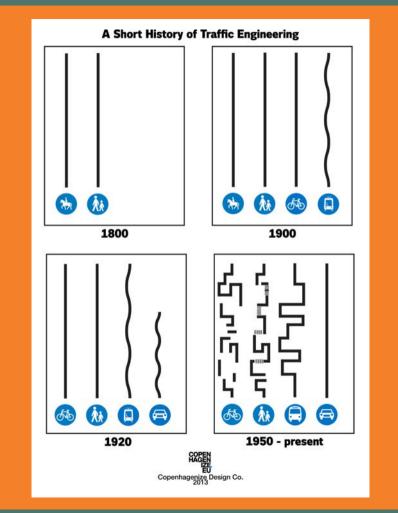
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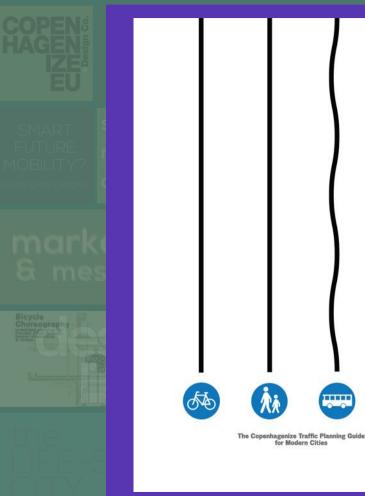
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### A2Bism

Make the bicycle the fastest way from A to B and you're on your way. Take the bicycle seriously as transport.

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### **Desire Lines**

Gaston Bachelard - Philosopher Poetics of Space - 1958

Modern cities listen and watch and act







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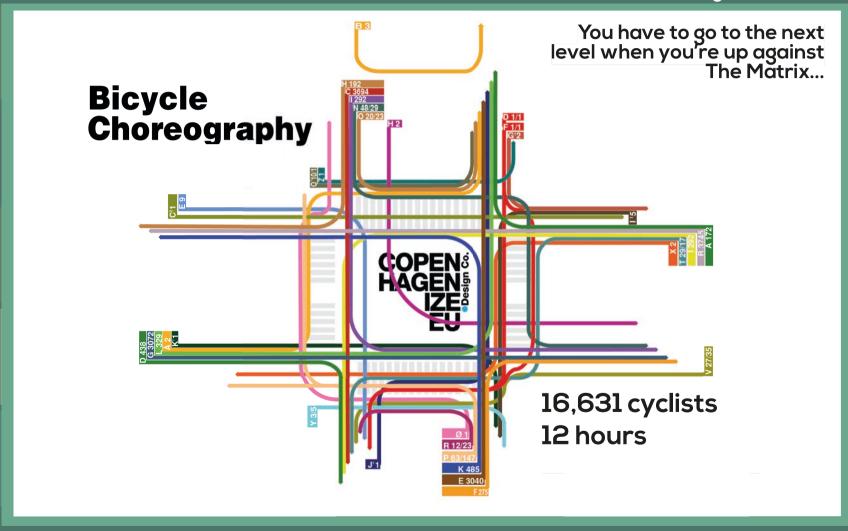
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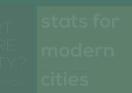


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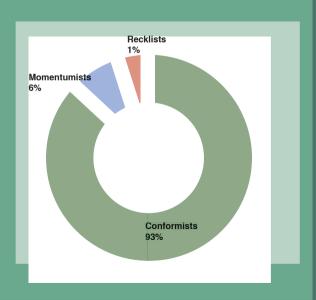


Bending the rules is one thing. But HOW do they do it? Data can't watch human beings.

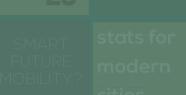






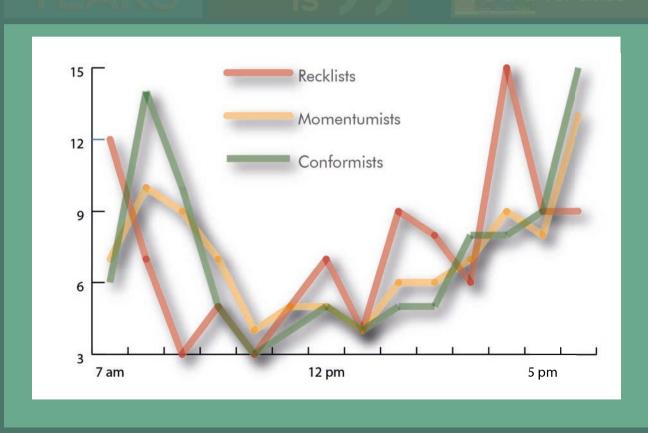


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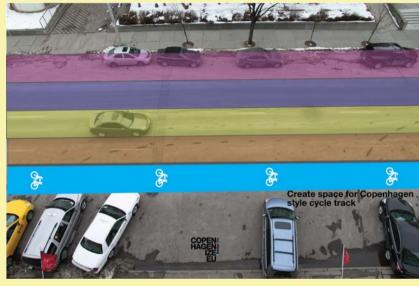


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**Basic Design Principles** 

What if we used them to plan our cities, instead of engineering?

What if we designed bicycle infrastructure like we designed smartphones, chairs, toothbrushes?

Imagine infrastructure designed using the Four Types of Pleasure: Physio, Psycho, Socio, Ideo. Wouldn't that be nice?

Designers think about the end user of the product. The human at the other end.





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What if we designed bicycle infrastructure like we design chairs?













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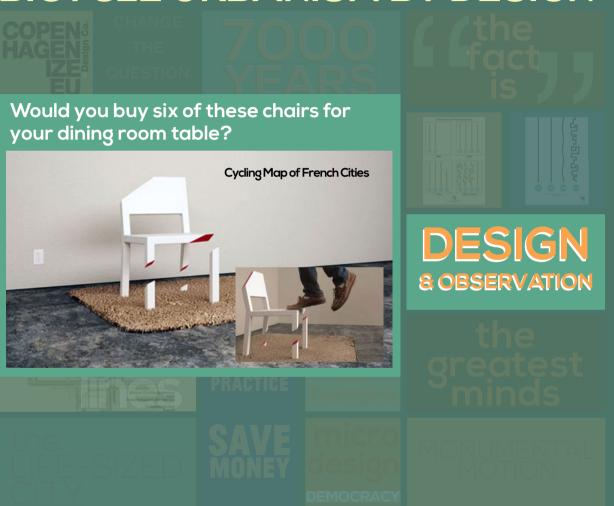
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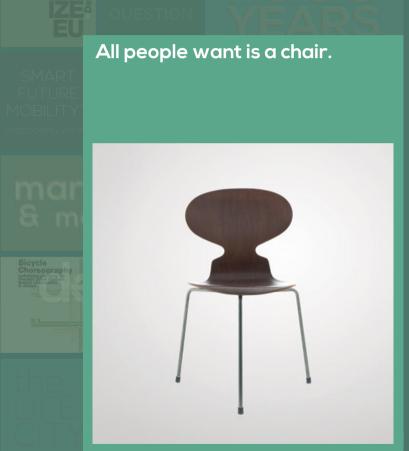
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The seductive power of objects can transcend other important issues -like price or performance.





The seductive power of objects can transcend other important issues - like the weather.

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Good design improves behaviour. Citizens react to infrastructure design with their behaviour.

Positively or negatively. Listen to them.

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Absolutely everything we need for designing for bicycles - and all aspects of liveable cities - was invented at least 100 years ago. Everything.

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Manhole used as access ramp



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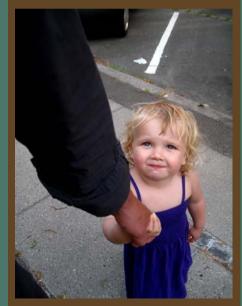
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### Logic

- "just make cars uglier so nobody wants to buy them or drive them"
- Max 15 km/h
- Fence to separate cycle track and road
- Light signals
- One-way streets for cars
- Speed bumps

- Glass roofs to cover all the cycle tracks in the entire city...

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Free our minds with logic and rationality.

"Glass roofs" already exist.

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### William of Ockham

1287-1347

### Occam's Razor

"Simpler explanations are generally better than more complex ones"

Choose the simplest, most rational solution.

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What would our streets look like if our main consultants were five year-olds, 3rd graders, teams of young design students and a 13th century religious dude?









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They would be beautiful.
They would work.
They would be safer than at any point in the last century.

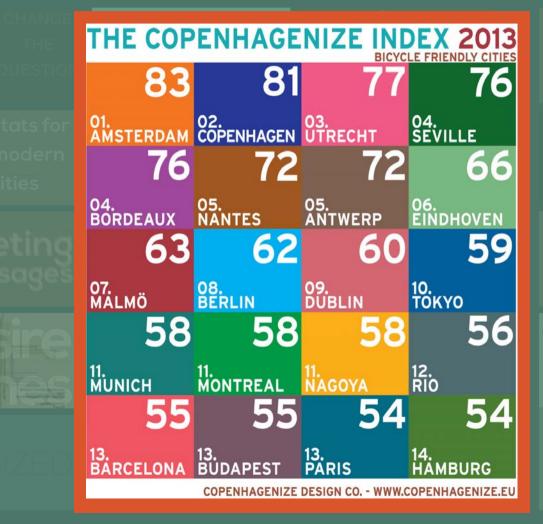
















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"Cities are erected on spiritual columns. Like giant mirrors, they reflect the hearts of their residents. If those hearts darken and lose faith, cities will lose their glamour"

Shams-i-Tabrizi - (1185-1248)



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