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Dickens in the Casino: Surveillance, Empiricism and the Novel



Casino surveillance and the Victorian novel seem like odd bedfellows -- and yet one might say that every surveillance agent is a Dickens fan at heart. This lecture will look at modern casino surveillance as a system which attempts to make the individual instantly knowable, and will trace the history of parallel attempted systems in eighteenth and nineteenth-century literature, philosophy and science.

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