2021 SIGWROC Lightning Round Breakout Rooms

This document is a shared gathering place for some of the interesting ideas and conversations you have in your breakout rooms. As a group, please share at least one idea from each session. There are suggested topics below, but feel free to take this document where your conversations go!

Something that is exciting about the Writing and Rhetorics of Code right now
- Activism and "civil disobedience" in coding
    - Algorithmic disruption activism
    - (like facial recognition software/cyberpunk!)
- California just passed a law against [dark patterns](#)!
- The emerging 'rhetops' field
- NEH is funding more diverse work
- Emphasis on open-access, transparency, and sustainability
- Teaching and reading code as rhetorical practice
- We have three people in our group finishing dissertation defenses & proposals! 🎊 💯 🤩
- Data feminism and data reflecting/reinscribing/subverting systems of power
    - YES! Excited by critical data studies and how SIGWROC can contribute there

Resources for Research or Teaching about/with/in code

- Writing in repositories or similar projects/services designed to aggregate code
- ML for quantitative and qualitative analysis/coding
- Culturally Situated Design Tools
- Computational essays/notebooks!

Ideas for what this SIG might pursue or accomplish in the next year
- Group-curated resources for approaching common questions about writing with code
- I like the idea of the development of a dedicated journal for this group (seconded)
    - Also, it'd be great to hold a dedicated symposium
- Women in computing group? (second)
    - Yes please! (maybe also make it "feminist" to include any GNC/non-binary folks?)

Other interesting ideas and happenings!
- "Writing with code" course just approved. (Congratulations! Share the materials used to do that? Sharing curricular materials more broadly?)
- Still feels like there's a need to develop theories/language about code and data as writing and rhetorical