Diversity of tactics is a concept that has been used to break the hegemony of non-violence in social movements. The term can be understood as a shared principle that advocates respect and solidarity across different approaches with the aim of breaking down moral and ideological divisions. Tactics, however, are often confused with methods, leading to a dangerous misuse of the idea of diversity of tactics to advocate for tolerance of or collaboration with authoritarian, populist, or democratic initiatives.

Central to anarchism is the method of direct action, which is self-organized and sabotage. Direct action and sabotage are often used interchangeably, but this is a mistake—many tactics, including sabotage, are used in contexts where the methods are valued above others, instead of understanding how different tactics work together to form an ecosystem of actions and ideas. This can lead to the uncalculated valorization of militancy for militancy's sake, fertile ground for the adoption of the wrong idea of tactics. To avoid becoming foot soldiers of the left—a scenario that many an-archists argue is self-organizing and the potential for project into voting with others. On the other hand, reducing the number of tactics and hierarchies where some tactics are valued above others, instead of understanding how different tactics work together, can lead to the uncalculated valorization of militancy for militancy's sake, fertile ground for the adoption of the wrong idea of tactics. To avoid becoming foot soldiers of the left—a scenario that many anarchists argue is self-organizing and the potential for
Police training facility. Three police cruisers were burned outside of a police training facility. 

November 8th – Atlanta, Georgia: A KONE service truck was set ablaze in solidarity with Alfredo Cospito, an anarchist prisoner in Italy on indefinite hunger strike against his transfer to the P5 regime. “The multinational corporation (KONE) [a manufacturer of elevators, escalators, and door systems] has contracts with prisons and military facilities worldwide, including the Atlanta NATO Air Base in Northeastern Indiana, through their subsidiary KONE SFI.”

November 22nd – Asheboro, North Carolina: A Confederate monument outside of the Randolph County courthouse was vandalized with derogatory words about the United States.”

November 24th – Portland, Oregon: In the early morning hours of “Thanksgiving,” some anarchists vandalized a colonial statue. Chunks were broken off, it was doused in red paint, and the plaque was ripped off and dumped in the river. It was redecorated with “Land Back” and other slogans.

November 27th – Plainview, Michigan: Vandalism cause over $75,000 in damage to Michigan Gold Course. The club’s head said “you’re better off putting out of a ditch on the side of the road than you are being able to put on our greens right now.”

November 30th – Atlanta, Georgia: A surveillance camera is destroyed by “some forest creatures” near the Webstone forest in solidarity with the opposition of expanding Camp Grayling.

December 1st – Milwaukee, Wisconsin: A National Guard training facility. Flash Security cameras is an investor in both Camp Grayling and the Cop City project.

December 1st – Wayland, Michigan: 4,000 mink are liberated from Solothurn Farms using four traps built with the farm’s materials. The mink-killing machine, pre-water pipes, and all ten vehicles on the property were sabotaged using bleach, water, sand in their gas tanks and oil reservoirs.

December 13th – Atlanta, Georgia: A massive fire broke out at an NYPD evidence warehouse in Brooklyn, likely destroying mountains of criminal evidence—including DNA records—stretching back decades.

December 14th – Atlanta, Georgia: A noise demo was held at DeKalb County Jail in solidarity with five people arrested on the same day during a raid of the Atlanta Fulton. “Fifteen minutes in, one rowdy prisoner was spotted lighting a fire outside their cell window, which appeared to have been smashed out for the occasion. Peering through binoculars, one noise-maker noticed an arm waving a sheet out of a third story window that also was smashed.”

December 16th – San Francisco, California: Five windows and an ATM were smashed at a Wells Fargo in retribution for the arrest of five Atlanta forest defenders on “domestic terrorism” charges. “I met Alfredo Cospito, a Land Business Executive Consultant at Wells Fargo, sit on the Board of Trustees of the Atlanta Police Foundation. […] The houses in the land demand a reckoning. Anyone who supports Cop City is a target everywhere. Solidarity means attack!”

December 16th – Oakland, California: The offices of CEL, owned by Atlas Technical Consultants and implicated in the Cop City project in Atlanta, had their windows broken and locks glued “in part of a battle over what left of the living world […] To choose on side of the barricade: beware of the politicians in our midst, not just those concerned with electoral victory but also those who want to see us as pawns in THEIR revolution. Understand your value and why you choose to take action. Political strategy is not a substitute for genuine connection to yourself, each other, and what’s left of the living world. Against the pig world and its dead future of machines, surveillance and alienation! Against politics! In solidarity with all those arrested! For all the forests and our friends! Long live anarchy!”

December 17th – Novi, Michigan: An Atlas office loses its windows in solidarity with forest defenders in Atlanta, and paint is poured at the doorstep.

December 18th – Crawford County, Michigan: More than ten trees are spiked around the proposed Camp Grayling expansion area.

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**A non-exhaustive list of actions, carried out between September 25th and December 21st, 2022**

**September 25th – Mountain Brook, Alabama:**

The chairman and CEO of Brasfield & Gorrie, the general contractor behind Atlanta’s Cop City, was visited at night by “Joy tie/painters’ unam.” The cars in his driveway were splashed with lacquer thinner, their windows etched, and the house was redecorated with pink paint.

**September 28th – Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania:**

Three police cruisers were burned outside of a police training facility.

**October 5th – Northern Michigan (occupied Anishinabewaki and Odawa territory)**

Machinery is torched inside of an Enbridge facility, signed by “the first of many.” “I write this while the black snakes beneath my feet prepare once again to go under the macabre trials, a sacred place where all of the great lakes converge. the great lakes which make of nearly 20% of the world’s fresh water. we must not let this happen.”

**October 6th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

Stake Center and City of Atlanta workers are ambushed while doing survey work near the Atlanta forest, leaving behind broken windows and slashed tires. “If you come to the woods to do something other than defend the forest, expect to have car problems.”

**October 10th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

Georgia power work trucks and boom cranes “were descended upon with rocks & fire at the very edge of forest otherwise known as the old prison farm. […] May the Pines & other trees & fruit trees you fell on one day fall on & destroy your personal homes & vehicles!”

**October 12th – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:**

A colonizer statue was vandalized on Columbus day. “Fighting colonization is a way to nurture a less hierarchical relation with the land and those that live on it.”

**October 12th – Longmeadow, Massachusetts:**

An individual unleashed a hive full of bees on sheriff’s deputies, some of them allergic to bee stings, as they tried to serve an eviction notice.

**October 18th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

Unknown assailants broke into the massive Shadowdon Studios movie complex, involved in the destruction of the Atlanta forest, and managed to partially burn down a structure used as a dressing room. “We don’t like movies. We don’t like screens. We are in the real world: Unseen to the Hypno-Dystopic Civilization around us. Somewhere among the trees are we.”

**October 18th – Michigan:**

“Stop Camp Grayling” and “Stop All Cop Cities!” are graffitied onto three police cars somewhere in Michigan.

**November 5th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

A surveillance camera at the old prison farm is cut down.

**November 5th – Thurston County, Washington:**

Many trees are spiked in solidarity with the Wettuwetum’en on a day of action, to discourage logging. “All of these industries are on the side of forest otherwise known as the old prison farm (…) May the Pines & other trees & fruit trees you fell on one day fall on & destroy your personal homes & vehicles!”

**November 5th – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Lenapehoking):**

On the Wettuwetum’en day of action, “a small group of Anti-colonial Anarchist rebellots in Lenapehoking blockaded a chokepoint of a high frequency railway.”

**November 8th – Massillon, Ohio:**

The ALF liberates 800 more mink from Pipkorn Farm.

**November 11th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

An excavator belonging to Norfolk Southern adjacent to the Webstone forest is “denissembled by fire.” Norfolk Southern is a supporter of the Cop City project.

**November 15th – Hoaglin Township, Ohio:**

100 mink are released from Lins Farm; graffiti left on the scene reading “ALF” and “We’ll be back.”

**November 19th – Atlanta, Georgia:**

The Atlanta Police Department’s shooting range inside the Webstone forest is attacked on several fronts. Trees are felled with a chainsaw to block access to the road, and one tree destroys the power line providing electricity to the range. The cameras are then destroyed with fire and hammers. “We took this action for the dead — for Raymond Brooks and every person killed by the Atlanta Police, for murdered revolutionary, for the Muskego who were forced from this land, for every enslaved person who lived and died on the plantation here, for every prisoner killed by guards at the old prison farm and buried in unmarked graves in the forest. This forest is theirs and we will not allow the police to desecrate it with their presence.”

**November 22nd – Portland, Oregon:**

Most buildings at the Adidas North American Training Center and City of Atlanta workers are vandalized with pink paint. “We feel the rage, creativity, and determination of the people of Wet’suwet’en and Wedzin Kwa, and must stand with Alfredo Cospito, an anarchist prisoner in Italy on indefinite hunger strike against his transfer to the P5 regime.”

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