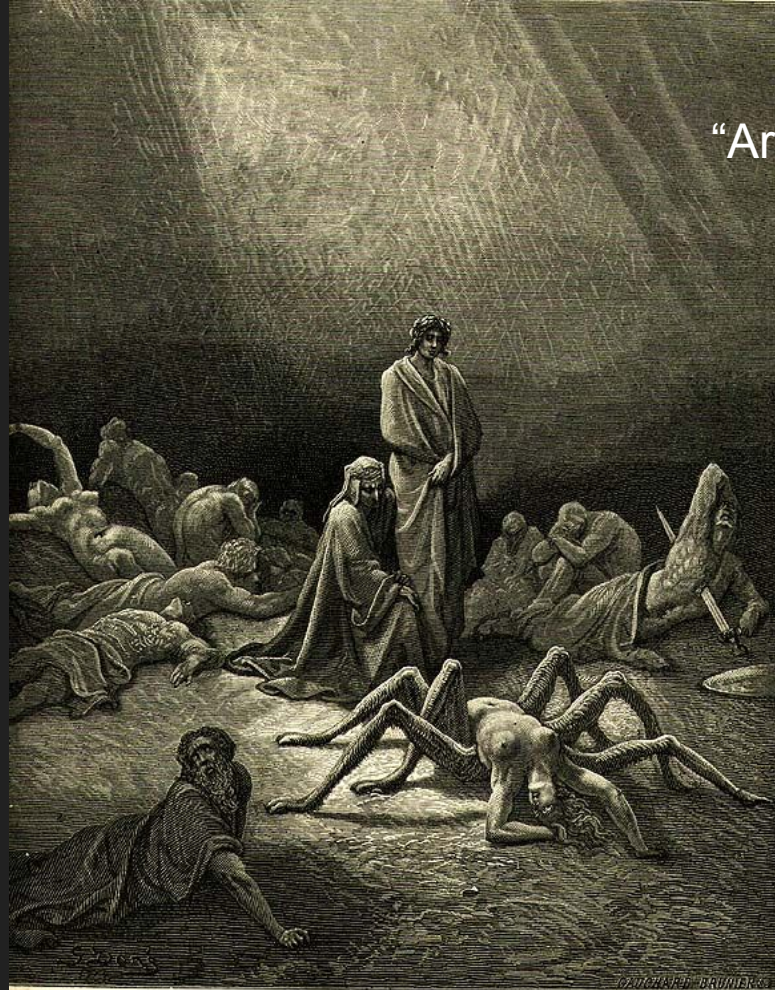# Arachne (Ἀράχνη)

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Ovid

Arachne in Ovid

- Daughter of shepherd
- Amazing weaver
- Claims to be better than Athena
- Athena-in-disguise challenges her to a weaving contest
  - Athena weaves a story of humans boasting
  - Arachne weaves story of the gods unjustly punishing mortals
- Arachne wins
- Athena destroys Arachne's weaving, transforms her into a spider

"Aragne" by Gustave Dore

O FOLLE ARAGNE, SI VEDEA IO TE,
GIÀ MEZZA ARAGNA, TRISTA IN SU GLI STRACCI
DELL'OPERA CHE MAL PER TE SI FE'
PURGATORIO, C. XII, V 43-45.

"Las Hilanderas" by Diego Velazquez

"Apollo and Daphne" by Bernini

Ovid in Tomis (Constanta)