The paradoxical event of apparel: lameness and the bifurcating catwalk

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Abstract
This project explores overlapping concerns between fashion and spatial design by way of a catwalk event. It does this by investigating historical and contemporary presumptions about the spatial tectonics and forms of embodiment mandated by the catwalk as a performative platform central to the...

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