

Fit But You Know It: Practice-Research Project

Sensory
workshopping
methods to
decolonise
fashion fitting





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Fitting

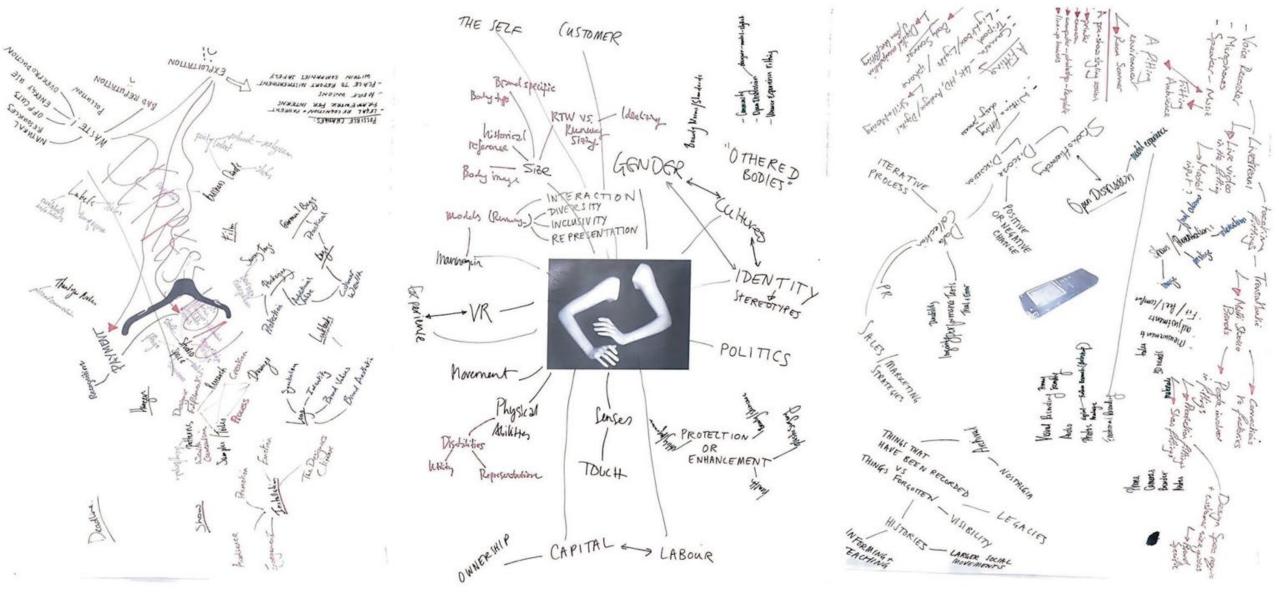








Fitting | as a generative exercise



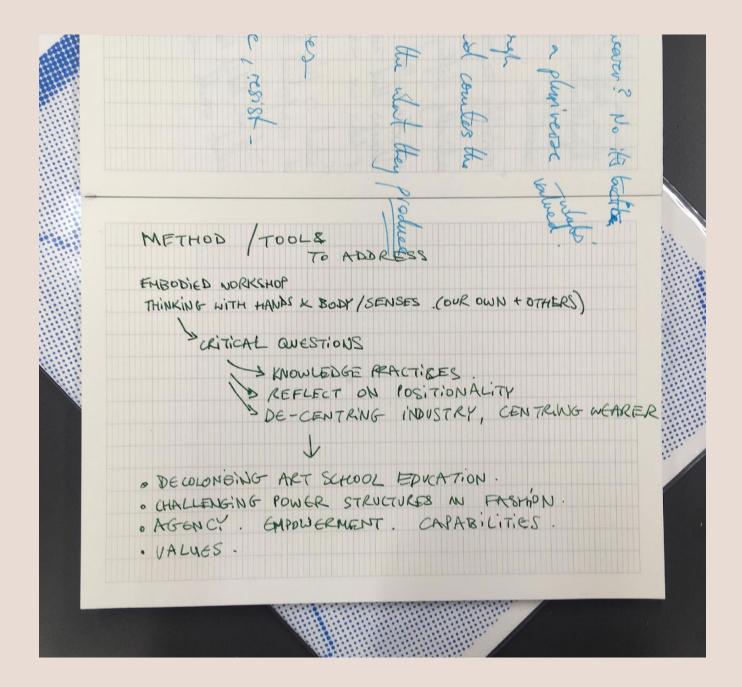


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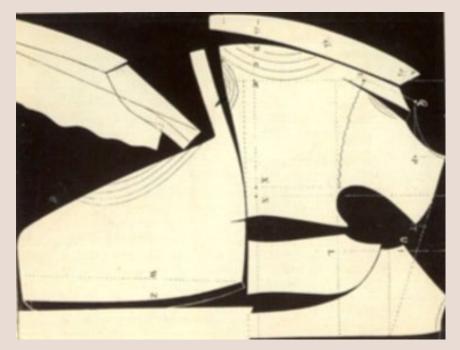
The standardisation and simplification of fit is critical to fashion's ability to sell, ship and scale products globally.

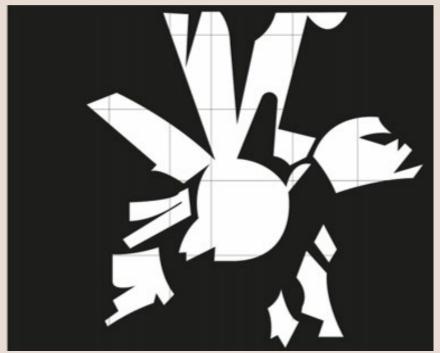
Modernity and Industrialisation are erasing ways of knowing about how we fit fabrics to our bodies

"Epistemicide" (Santos, 2014)









Fitting | embodied wisdom

How do Western fitting and pattern cutting practices discipline the body, neglect embodied and sensory knowledge and experience and embed structures of power, or exclude particular bodies, experiences and knowledges?





Sensitive fitting

Properties Types of Volume & Color Shape & Surface dressb proportion design Texture structure Odor Body modifications Transformations of a. Hair b. Skin c. Nails d. Muscular/ skeletal system e. Teeth f. Breath Body supplements Enclosures a. Wrapped b. Suspended c. Pre-shaped d. ab, ac, bc, abc Attachments to body a. Inserted b. Clipped c. Adhered Attachments to body enclosures a. Inserted b. Clipped c. Adhered Hand-held objects a. By self

Classification system for types of dress and their properties.a

Sound

Taste

TABLE 1

b. By other

Roach-Higgins and Eicher (1992)



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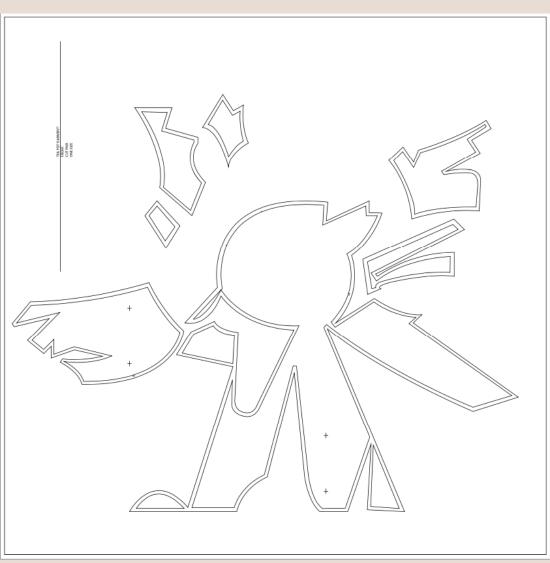


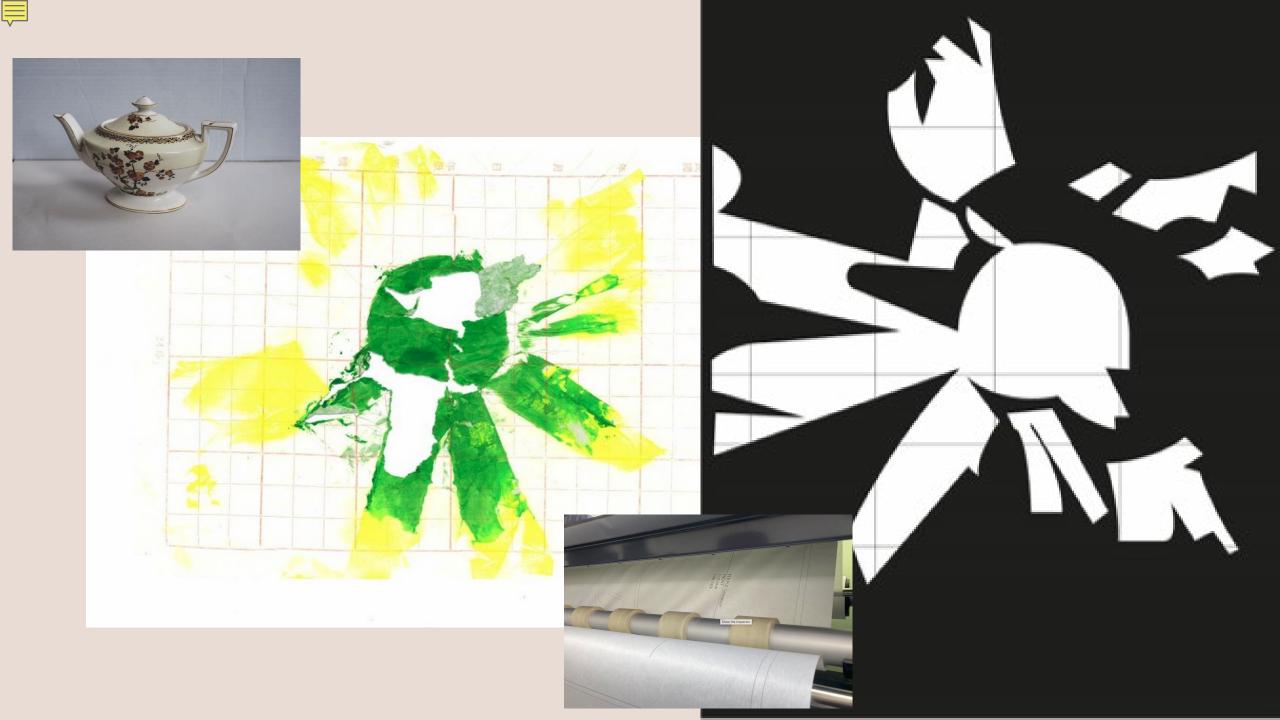




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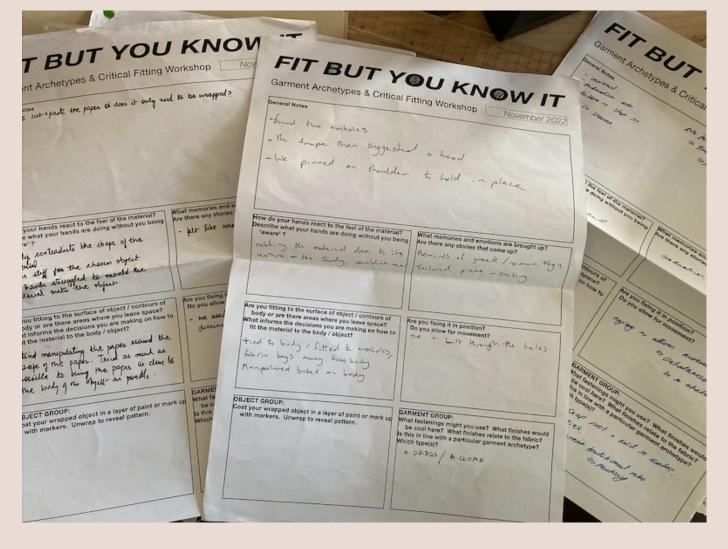








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UAL Education Conference | Learning alongside students

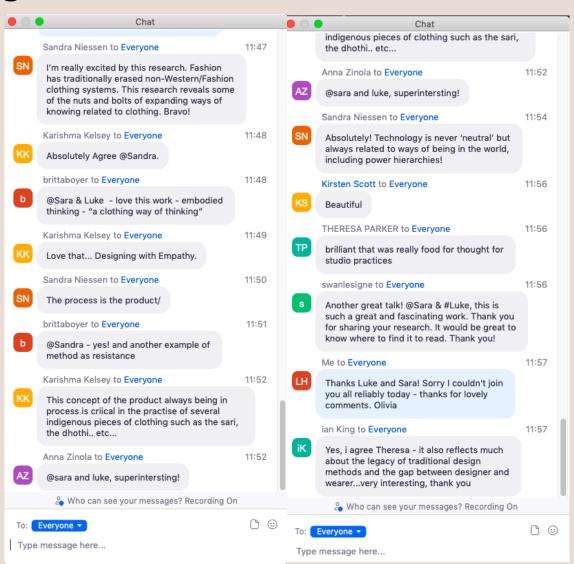






IML Future of International Fashion Education | Critical making

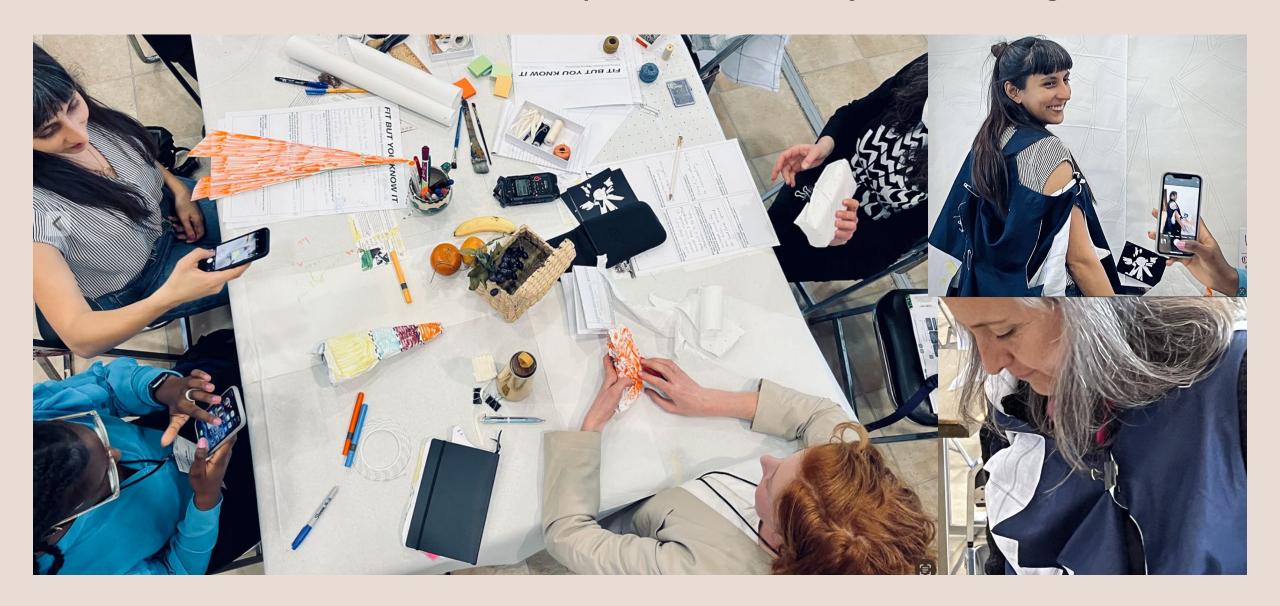
"Fashion has traditionally erased nonwestern/fashion clothing systems"



"The concept of the product always being in process is critical to several indigenous pieces of clothing such as the Sari, the Dhothi, etc..."



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