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# Divergent **Actualizations**



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In Nature, form is actual expression of synergetic processes of adaptation of matter to the varying environment. Hereby, form is a continuous flow of matter that happens in space and time. The understanding of form as an endogenous process changes drastically our relationship to matter. In architecture, such thinking provides a robust basis for the replacement of rationalistic approaches to the design of spaces. Further encouraged by the introduction of data-driven fabrication, a departure from over-simplification and standardization is enacted. However, new attitude and criteria are needed to shape integral design intelligences. Bridging research, education, and practice, the talk will address some of the facets of the intellectual shift that supports the investigation of novel spatial opportunities and the development of a contemporary discourse in architecture. Finally, a perspective on the new role of contemporary practitioners will be proposed.

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