Occidental genealogy and ontogenesis of disability

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Abstract:
Disability is so far to be a natural phenomenon: its physiological substrate is not enough as cause to have a complete understanding, because along history and in different cultures such physiological substrate has produced very diverse situations and experiences. Disability contains a social dimension and a processuality in its conformation that can be analysed under a sociological perspective. To carry out this analysis, we’ll circumscribe to occidental world, and on the nearest period, focusing on the transformation along the last third XX century in the conception, and the practices related with it, operated on disability. It is an ontogenetic analysis (the constitution of the disability “thing”) and genealogic (its evolution along the time from a supposed previous origin).

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