

THE CONSTITUTION OF BDTH

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# Coherence

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P O S I T I O N

BDTH proceeds from the working position that coherence is the ordinary condition of the human system.

It is neither an achievement nor a rare psychological state.

The principal question therefore becomes not how coherence is acquired, but what progressively obscures its ordinary expression.

COHERENCE

OBSERVATION

Human beings occasionally recognise moments during which unnecessary internal occupation unexpectedly diminishes.

Nothing external may have changed.

Circumstance remains.

The world remains.

Yet experience itself becomes subtly different.

Previously unquestioned conclusions relax.

Possibility becomes immediately available.

Many people recognise such moments.

Few regard them as architecturally significant.

BDTH does.

## COHERENCE

### RECOGNITION

Coherence is recognised before it is defined.

It is recognised in music.

In mathematics.

In craftsmanship.

In geometry.

In kindness.

Across remarkably different domains, the observer consistently recognises the same quality.

BDTH regards this observation as requiring explanation.

## COHERENCE

### ECONOMY

Where coherence repeatedly appears across different expressions, explanatory economy asks whether coherence itself constitutes a first principle rather than an accidental consequence.

This Paper does not attempt to demonstrate that proposition.

It establishes the constitutional position from which the remaining Papers proceed.

### WORKING POSITION

BDTH proceeds from the working position that coherence is original rather than acquired.

Refinement therefore consists not in manufacturing coherence, but in progressively removing whatever obscures its ordinary expression.

CLOSING POSITION

If coherence is original, the principal question changes.

The objective becomes neither improvement nor acquisition.

It becomes the progressive reduction of unnecessary interference.