

# The World Is Constituted by Stable Difference-Structures

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The world is not constituted by static objects, but by difference-structures capable of maintaining their association patterns across time.

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P00 established the minimal foundation: difference  $\rightarrow$  structure  $\rightarrow$  boundary  $\rightarrow$  configuration  $\rightarrow$  time  $\rightarrow$  persistence  $\rightarrow$  beings  $\rightarrow$  regularity  $\rightarrow$  causality  $\rightarrow$  emergence.

P01 does one thing: rewrites “what the world is” as “what kind of structures constitute the world.”

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## 1. From Beings to the World

P00 defined: being = a bounded difference-structure capable of maintaining its association patterns across time. P01 extends this: the world is not a collection of such beings, but the network of their structural relations. The world is constituted by how beings constrain each other’s feasible states — not by what they “are” in isolation.

## 2. Stability Is the Selection Criterion

Not all difference-structures persist. Those that do persist share a property: their association patterns are stable enough to survive across configurations. Stability is not a metaphysical guarantee but a selection effect — structures that cannot maintain their key associations dissolve.

## 3. The World as Constraint Network

Every persisting structure constrains the feasible states of other structures with which it interacts. The world, at any moment, is the total constraint network formed by all currently persisting difference-structures and their interaction patterns.

## 4. What This Changes

This reframing has three consequences: 1. No “bare” objects: Every entity is already structurally embedded 2. No isolated existence: To be is to be in constraint relations 3. Continuity is structural: What persists is not “stuff” but association patterns

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The world is not made of things; it is made of how differences stay organized.