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Our operational definition of shape states that *there are no stimulus properties that can be attributed to shape beyond those that can be demonstrated in a shape constancy experiment.* Said succinctly, shape constancy is the *sine qua non* of shape (*without which, there is no shape*).

Our analytical definition of shape states that *the shape of an object refers to all of its spatially global symmetries (its self-similarities) as measured by the group of rigid motions, reflections, and size-scaling of the parts within the object itself.*