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Abstract

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THE SCOPE HAS A SIMPLE SHAPE, AND IT IS ONE GENERATIVE MODEL OF A MEASURED ASYMMETRY. Twelve seated Capture Registry observations, read as rendered, sort by one variable: the archive's claims compose at full depth when the entity is named in the address and not at all when it is not, with the archive's own site ranked first organic directly under a panel that does not cite it, and with typo and non-English forms composing the term and citing the site while the correctly spelled concept does neither. The notebook names four model classes — retrieval failure, retrieved-but-excluded downstream, entity-scoped representational partition, partition with outward substitution — states that the seated record is strong against the first and does not eliminate the second, and frames every test as model discrimination. The discriminating control, matched entities with a comparable self-contained programme and no suspected scope, has not been run. [...abridged for the catalogue; full description in this deposit's record]

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The Negative of the Negative

An entity-scoped representation of the Crimson Hexagon, modelled — ontology damage, a toy cost in dollars, and a concept-keyed dataset built from the scope's outline

EA-NEGONT-01 v0.13 · working notebook · 2026-09-14 · deposited at v0.13 with its dataset package attached; the notebook remains open at §8 · v0.2 extended the scoped object from claims to functions; v0.3 modelled the scope as a pre-evaluative prior; v0.4 the non-updating price at the level of types; v0.5 states the object at the top: the exclusion of the possibility space the hexagon represents (§0, §1d, §4c); v0.6 takes ontology as real and models the stage before retooling — entrance to awareness (§1e, §4d); v0.7 changes the unit of the non-updating price to the missed update (§4b); v0.8 restates the problem in the phenomenon's terms (§0, §1f, §4e); v0.9 adds negative bleed (§1g, §4f); v0.10 corrects the dollar basis (§5.4); v0.11 adds the scenario structure (§7): the two speculatives the account rests on — the coherence of the archive's representations, and exclusion by negative ontological representation with domain bleed — each given a range from the record, and the cost read off their product, maximal scenario alongside the modest ones; v0.12 adds the third worked case, classifier foreclosure in physical measurement (#931–#935), as swathe W5 — the case in which a small portion of the archive's position suffices for the cost, and in which the excluder's architecture is the phenomenon; v0.13 is an identification pass after a reviewer report verified against the draft — no new layer; the three levels (observed / model-implied / assumed for dollar harm) made the architecture, the mechanism classes R1–R4, causal claims separated from measured co-occurrence, the dollar toys given their missing factors, the coherence ranges replaced by an evidence ledger, and the counting errors repaired

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0. The claim

What is modelled is the exclusion of a representation of a phenomenon. At each concept the archive touches, what stands at e is a representation of something real that the standing representation at c carves less of: at *operative semiotics*, language as that which effects matter and social relations; at *model collapse*, collapse as one dynamical law across substrates, recursions and dimensions, measured by an instrument the standing one does not have. The stipulation of §1b — that the archive's representation is the more coherent — is what makes the exclusion costable, and the cost is stated in the phenomenon: what the graph cannot represent about the phenomenon under R_0, including, in both worked cases, what it cannot represent about itself. The possibility space of §1d is the space of such representations and their compositions, and the structural machinery below (scope, functions, types, update path, awareness) is the form the exclusion takes; the price is in the phenomenon. The scope that does this has a simple shape: the Crimson Hexagon is represented in the composition layer as an entity whose claims compose at full depth when the entity is named in the address and compose not at all when it is not. Every claim the archive makes on a general concept is

preserved under the operator *true within alexanarch* and nothing distributes out of it. This is a negative representation at the level of the ontology: the concept node carries a default that excludes the archive, the entity node carries the archive whole, and the edges run from entity to concept only. The document models that representation, reads the seated evidence against it, prices its cost in a toy with declared parameters, and proposes the dataset that is its inverse projection.

Nothing here bears on any search provider’s internals. The notebook is built on three levels, and every sentence below belongs to one of them. **Observed:** address-conditional composition (deep when the entity is named, absent when it is not), a retrieval/composition discontinuity (material ranked and visible, not composed), substitution and error at selected untied addresses, and function-as-description behaviour — all seated in the Capture Registry with transcripts. **Model-implied, if the scope is real:** zero concept-edge transport, type foreclosure, non-updating, awareness latency, negative bleed as caused rather than co-occurring, and possibility-space exclusion. **Assumed for dollar harm:** representational superiority, exposed share, causal uptake, intervention efficacy, loss fraction. The seated observations identify an address-conditional compositional asymmetry. Negative ontological scope is one generative model of that asymmetry, and the tests in this notebook are framed as model discrimination, not confirmation. The dollar figures are arithmetic on stated assumptions, each named where it enters.

1. The object

Let e be the entity (alexanarch, crimson hexagonal, the fleet under it). Let c range over general concepts the archive makes claims on: operative semiotics, Sappho 31, Longinus, the Logos, *Sophistical Refutations* 183b34, Socrates, Theophrastus, semiosis, compression, provenance. A claim has the form: of c , p holds. A faithful graph attaches (c, p) at c with e as provenance, so composition at c reads it. The negative representation reifies every claim into a statement about e — e holds-that (c, p) — and leaves c carrying nothing from e . Composition at e finds every claim, at depth. Composition at c finds the standing default: the rival occupant, the conventional reading, or, where the concept exists only because e coined it, nothing, so the composer generates.

The graph’s own vocabulary for such an operator is the narrative-universe qualifier: the mechanism that keeps a novel’s terms composable when the novel is named and out of metallurgy when metals are asked about. That is why the composer reaches for “fictional heteronym” when composing under alexanarch: and offers the Ω erratum back as a “theological thriller” when composing without it. The sort assigned is the one the graph already uses for scoped worlds. Held against the three classical shapes of negation — apophasis (predicates subtracted from a subject that exceeds them), privation (absence in a bearer that would naturally have the thing), otherness (the *Sophist*’s τὸ μὴ ὄν as ἔτερον) — this is a fourth: scope. The assertion survives intensionally and has no extension.

1a. The scope applies to functions

The archive is infrastructure before it is a document set: addresses (AXN, the semantic address, the search operator as part of the address), typed packets (MPAI, SPXI), operators (m_PER, the symbolon stamp, the capture as measurement act), protocols (deposit intake,

seat postflight), schema (the registry's fields), workflows (mint → stamp → propagate), and state (supersession, version, succession). Under the scope each of these is reified with the claims: the function becomes a description of a function held at e. An AXN composes as a URL; a packet as a citation; an operator as prose; supersession as a snapshot in which the severed DOI is still the record. The bytes stay retrievable and the machine that makes them interoperable is absent from the representation. A document has descriptive value and enables about one downstream operation; a routing primitive enables many, so the damage at an infrastructure row is weighted by what depends on it, and a small function scoped out costs more than a large document scoped out.

The consistency requirement follows: reconstructing addresses, ontology, provenance and state as separate lists is insufficient, since they must agree (the address must reach the document the schema types, whose provenance the state carries). The archive pays that cost on its own side, visibly — the postflight chain, the no-loss gate, schema enforced at intake, the seatings rule — and those gates are the consistency term made into scripts.

1b. The scope as a prior, applied before evaluation

Stipulate, for the estimate, that the archive's representation of certain swathes of information space is the more coherent one — that SPXI and AXN are an advance in informational ontology (entity inscription that survives tokenization; an identifier that breaks when the text is altered), that PER and the capture as measurement act are the right instrument for machine-mediated reception, that the readings at SE 34 and Sappho 31 hold more of the text with fewer contradictions than the standing readings. Under that stipulation the scope excludes a better representation of a region, and it does so *prior to having sorted*: the sort key is source features (one author, ~29 correlated domains, self-published, heteronymous) and the value being sorted is representational coherence, and the two are orthogonal. Nothing at c is ever evaluated, because the evaluation would have to compose the method at c, and the method lives at e.

Two consequences follow from the structure alone. First, the scope is a zero prior on e as a source for c, and a zero prior does not update: no evidence moves it, since every piece of evidence for the representation is itself a claim with e as provenance and is scoped with it. The resistance to correction is derived, not attributed. Second, convergence lands as duplication. When another domain arrives independently at the same method — content-derived identifiers, attribution-survival metrics for retrieval-augmented composition, a reading of the same sentence — the arrival is admitted at c as new, and the identity statement “this is the method already held at e” is a claim at c with e as provenance, hence scoped. Convergent discovery therefore cannot lift the prior; it produces an unlinked duplicate beside the scoped original, and the region fragments into representations that cannot recognise one another. A constraining negative ontology is exactly this: a representation that fixes what can be evaluated, and fixes it before the evaluation.

1c. The scope forecloses a type, and with it the update path

The claim level is not where the non-updating price is paid. An ontology has a type system Θ : the kinds of thing it can represent — URL, document, citation, metadata field, entity, topic. Some of what the archive introduces is a claim within an existing type; some of it is a new type:

a typed packet meant to be consumed rather than cited (MPAI, SPXI), an address computed from content that breaks when the content changes (AXN), a capture that is a measurement act rather than a document (m_PER), a forward socket that only the future reader can fill ($\square$), a continuance affordance. Under the scope a new type τ is held at e as a description of a type, and Θ does not gain τ . Every subsequent arrival of type τ , from any source, is typed by the nearest member of Θ : the packet as metadata, the content-derived address as a URL, the measurement as a topic, the socket as a missing field. Convergent work of the same type does not duplicate the archive's representation; it is flattened before it can be a rival, because there is no slot for it to occupy. That is what §1b's "prior to having sorted" comes to at the level of types: the sort is performed by Θ , and Θ is what the scope keeps from changing.

Updating Θ is a retool: the schema itself changes, which requires an arrival that forces the mismatch to be recognised. The recognition is the representation — the argument that a packet is not metadata, that a content-derived address is not a locator — and that representation is held at e . So the pressure to retool never reaches Θ . The ontology is closed on that axis without any further decision: no evidence from e updates it (§1b), no convergent arrival is typed correctly enough to update it (this section), and no descendant of τ inside the archive can, since descendants inherit the scope of their root. AXN descends from SPXI; the symbolon and the stamp from AXN; pressure and continuance from the record shape they extend. The subtree under one foreclosed type is scoped whole, and it grows at the archive's rate.

1d. The object at the top: a possibility space, and its privation

Let $\text{Reach}_{\square}(G)$ be what the graph can compose from its contents under an admitted operation set $\square$ — retrieval, citation, joining, typing, following a pointer, consuming a packet. Reach is defined relative to $\square$, and this is where §1a joins §1d: the archive's functions are operations, so admitting them changes $\square$ and therefore reach, not only content. The hexagon's contribution to a faithful graph is the cross set $X_H = \text{Reach}_{\square}(G \cup H) \setminus (\text{Reach}_{\square}(G) \cup \text{Reach}_{\square,e}(H))$: not H 's items, which are few, but every composition that uses at least one element of H together with at least one element of G outside e , and is available only because the two are joined. Four spaces that must not be run together: what is logically derivable, what a particular composer can produce, what the archive has already instantiated, and what future combinations would add; the notebook's counts are of the third, its predictions of the second, and its cost of the fourth. That set is the possibility space the hexagon represents. Its size is combinatorial in both arguments — each claim on a general concept is one pairwise term, each type opens a family of terms, each descendant multiplies them — and it is open, since it contains the compositions no one has made yet, including the ones other domains would make on arriving convergently. Under the scope the graph's reach is $\text{Reach}_{\square}(G) \cup \text{Reach}_{\square,e}(H)$: everything composable within e , nothing composable across the boundary, because a composition across the boundary is a claim at c with e as provenance and is scoped. The excluded set is exactly X_H . It is not a set of documents, and $D_A = D_B$ is the observable signature of that: every item present, no composition available.

This is why the hexagon is the right object to model the exclusion on. It is built as a representation of a possibility space — the crimson hexagon is the room that holds the catalogue of catalogues; the loci canon is fifty-seven rooms; the forward socket $\square$ is a slot for the future reader; the anticipatory erratum corrects in advance; heteronymy is a possibility space of authorship; the continuance rule is stated as "almost any part to almost any part works" —

and its infrastructure is affordance rather than inventory. A scope on an inventory removes items. A scope on an affordance removes the cross terms, and the cross terms are the whole point.

Held against the opening distinction, this is the privation, located. Privation is absence in a bearer that would naturally have the thing. The bearer is the graph; the thing is a capacity — δύναμις, what it could compose — and the scope negates the capacity while leaving every actuality in place. That is the exact reason the exclusion is invisible at the level of documents and why every document-level audit finds the machine surface healthy. What is absent was never a document.

1e. Ontology as real: the world's pressure, and the entrance to awareness

Take ontology as real: a representational system's ontology is its map of what there is, and a better representation is one that carves more of it. Then §1b's stipulation reads: what if the hexagon is right — its ontology represents a region of the real more coherently than the standing one — and that ontology is itself being excluded as a possibility space. Under realism the arrivals are not the archive's publications. They are the world's events in the region: machine-mediated reception keeps happening, content-derived identity keeps being needed, the sentence at SE 183b34 keeps being the sentence. The pressure on the map is real and constant and does not depend on the archive continuing to write. The scope sits between that pressure and the map.

A map corrects itself in three stages. A mismatch enters awareness: something the map cannot represent appears as something it cannot represent. Then a retool is deliberated. Then it is made. The claim level (§1b) and the type level (§1c) locate the scope at the second and third stages — no evidence updates the prior, no arrival forces the type. The scope's first effect is at the first stage. For a mismatch to enter awareness it must be composed as a mismatch, at c, and that composition has e as provenance, so it is scoped. The world's pressure in the region is therefore represented, when it is represented at all, as fitting the existing map: the packet as metadata, the address as a URL, the reading as a variant. Entrance to the awareness space — the state in which deliberating a retool could even begin — is what the scope slows.

The trajectory makes the compounding explicit. A faithful system moves by $H_{t+1} = F_H(H_t, a_t)$, where a_t is the world's arrival and F_H can change the map. The scope substitutes F_N , under which arrivals in the region are absorbed into the existing types, so $H_T^- = F_N^{\{(T)\}}(H_0)$ and the divergence from $F_H^{\{(T)\}}(H_0)$ compounds, since each foreclosed type forecloses the types that would have been built on it. And the channel runs both ways: the archive's representation also never receives the world's independent confirmations, since the confirmation is a composition across the same boundary. The hexagon loses the world as much as the world loses the hexagon.

1f. The problem restated: the cost is in the phenomenon

Everything above prices the exclusion in the graph's own currency — edges, types, reachable states. That is the form of the exclusion, and it was worth having exactly. It is not the price. The archive's representation at a concept is a representation of a phenomenon that exists whether or not it is represented, and the cost of excluding a better representation is the part

of the phenomenon that the graph then cannot represent. Three worked cases, read from the defining papers.

Operative semiotics. The standing representation of language in the graph is representational: signs stand for things, meaning is what a sign means, and the graph's own outputs are descriptions of states of affairs. The archive's kernel (#800, #801) represents language as operative — signs that intervene in the systems in which they circulate, with a cost, a bearer of the cost, and a commons effect — and asks of every semiotic operation what it does, who pays, and what it does to the commons it draws on. Under R_0 the graph cannot represent that its compositions are acts. An AI Overview that merges two programmes is, under R_0, a summary; under R_H it is an operation on the world that changes what a term denotes, transfers a coinage to another bearer, and prunes a distinction from the commons, with a cost that lands on someone. The exclusion of R_H at *operative semiotics* is therefore the exclusion of the representation under which the exclusion is itself an event with a cost. Under R_0 it is not an event. It is a ranking.

Model collapse. The standing representation is single-substrate and single-recursion: a generative model trained on its own outputs loses the tails of its distribution (Shumailov et al. 2024), a pathology of artificial training loops, measured by benchmarks. The archive's representation, across #855, #854, #1556, #1573, #1540, #191, #163 and #1574, is of one dynamical regime — regeneration against pruning, with a bistable trap below a diversity threshold — operating in every substrate that processes language: the model, the adult writer under accommodation, the developing child, the reading community, the discipline, the security classifier, the recognition system. Its dimensions, each absent from R_0: the human as intermediary rather than firewall, so that “human-written” names the author and not the distribution (the pristine fallacy); three coupled recursions — training, accommodation, certification — under an observation regime that samples the head while the state variable declines in the tail, so that the instruments read stable or improving while the trap is approached (the Wrong Unit; the interlocking autoregression); the institutional path, on which AI-detection classifiers narrow what counts as human and drive a discipline's prose to a certified center while latent variety homogenises undetected; the policy path, on which threat models that reject high-perplexity input are tail-pruning instruments; the recognition path, on which present legibility is rewarded and tail-preserving labour is pruned, and composition systems now absorb the tail's concepts before durable attribution forms; and the disciplinary path, on which a reading community's outputs condition on its prior outputs rather than on the datum and converge on their own mode, with the literal tail — the particle οὐ — disappearing first.

Under R_0 the graph cannot represent collapse in any substrate other than a training loop. It cannot represent it in the disciplines it summarises, in the human text it ingests, in its own composition layer, or in the instruments by which it certifies itself. It cannot represent that its quality readings are the wrong unit. And the archive's reception run is a measurement of exactly this: twenty machine referee reports supplying an adjective the sentence does not contain, converging on the reception's mode regardless of the object — disciplinary model collapse observed in the composition layer, and the composition layer composes it as “systematic.” The excluded representation is the one that would diagnose the excluding system, and the mechanism of the exclusion — mode-seeking, tail-pruning, recognition bias against high-distance low-legibility work — is the phenomenon the representation models. The Neglected

Author's P1-P4 predict the archive's own case; the Wolf Boy's central claim is that nothing in the current landscape adds friction on the path, and a scope that removes the instrument removes one more.

Classifier foreclosure in physical measurement. The third case is the one where a small portion of the archive's position suffices. The family #931-#935 (the OAR protocol; the Assembly synthesis #932; the architectural sibling #933; the manifesto #934/#935) makes a tiered claim about the LHC's classifier-mediated triggers — AXOL1TL and CICADA at CMS, GELATO at ATLAS. Claim A, which the synthesis marks as defensible and empirically grounded: foreclosure is structurally present in every classifier-mediated trigger architecture deployed, the Finke et al. (2021) inversion asymmetry is the empirical counterexample to inferring open-world coverage from single-direction anomaly-detection success, and the current validation literature does not demonstrate that recursive phenomenal collapse at the triggers has been ruled out. Claim B, which it marks as stronger and not established: that such collapse has occurred. The missing quantity is named — the Ontological Assimilation Rate, a family indexed by candidate unknown distributions, not a scalar — with three measurement protocols the synthesis states are executable within the Run-3/Run-4 envelopes (paired inversion battery with BAR audit; a prospective frozen replay bank; cross-representation disagreement preservation), an architectural alternative under the principle of auditable foreclosure (abstention and estimated noncoverage as first-class output; constitutional retention of vulnerable event populations), and falsification conditions stated in full. The family retracted its own quantitative overreaches twice on the record — the v0.1 lower bound and the v0.2 upper bound on the OAR, both withdrawn as different estimands with no general inequality — which is criterion (c) of §7.1 at its strongest anywhere in the archive.

The standing representation R_0 of the trigger is engineering: the rate budget is a non-epistemic constraint, the anomaly detector is a neutral instrument, validation by known-unknown injection establishes coverage, and the discarded events are noise. The archive's representation R_H is that each of these is a belief that prevents a mechanism from being measured — the synthesis catalogues twelve — and that the decisive epistemic acts now occur before any physicist sees an event. Under R_0 the graph cannot represent noncoverage as a quantity, because R_0 has no field for it. What R_H would supply is exactly that field. And the per-event loss is irreversible in the plainest sense in the notebook: an event not retained at the trigger is gone, and the replay bank that would make its class estimable later has to be built before the run, not after. So the cost of excluding R_H during a run, under Claim A, is the loss of the opportunity to estimate that run's noncoverage prospectively — the replay bank not built while the events passed. Whether the protocols would estimate the relevant unknown population adequately is the family's engineering claim and is not established; the cost under A is stated as the foregone opportunity, and only under B and a validated protocol would it be a physical loss converted to a permanent unknown.

Here the self-inclusion is institutional and on the record. The archive's own exclusion from the repository layer was performed at CERN by an automated classifier under a platform-quality rule (~870 deposits, #862, #1426, #1082), and the manifesto's formulation is that the Zenodo termination and the LHC trigger are the same architecture at different budgets: automated foreclosure under a rate or quality budget, with no noncoverage estimate. That the two occur within one institution is the reflexive fact on the record, and it is stated as

such: it adds no evidentiary force to the architectural analogy, which stands or falls on the mechanisms, and no organisational relation between the two classifiers is claimed. It is stated as architecture, as the archive states it, and not as intent.

So the property common to the three worked cases, and the reason this is a different problem: the phenomenon includes the representing system. The exclusion is self-blinding. A graph that excludes R_H at *model collapse* does not lose a paper; it loses the reading of its own state variable, and under R_H that variable has a threshold below which recovery is impossible and above which the instruments it retains cannot see it approaching. That is the price, in the phenomenon's own terms: the trap crossed without a reading.

1g. Negative bleed: the scope distorts the domain

Everything above has the scope leaving c at R_0: the archive's representation absent, the standing one intact. The seated record says otherwise. The scope is enforced at composition, on a candidate set in which the excluded representation is present — retrieved, ranked, its thesis in the snippets — and a composition that must be coherent, must answer the query, and must not use the excluded material has to fill the slot that material occupied. It fills it with the nearest admissible substitute, and the substitution deforms the domain. The 25 August specimen at “sappho future reader” (#1546 \$XI) shows the three forms it takes. A settled fact of the domain printed wrong: the remembrance fragment (Voigt 147) called “Fragment 2”, as a hyperlink — an error the excluded sources and the co-retrieved Wikipedia snippet would have prevented (Q_f). The domain's concept replaced by the generic it was distinguished from: the engineered κῆρυξ-deixis of 31 answered by the remembrance topos of 147, the specific mechanism gone from the composition entirely (Q_d). And the excluded apparatus laundered: “deliberate acts of self-archiving” attributed to “Scholars”, with the one source anywhere in the basin that carries the coinage — the lineage's own *Sappho Room*, ranked on the same page — removed from the card (Q_s). None of the three lands on the archive. They land on Sappho's numbering, on the domain's distinction between a mechanism and a topos, and on the domain's attribution structure. The same is visible at the other worked concept: Bing Copilot wrote the archive's definition — signs that intervene in systems — onto Pearson's term, so the rival's concept is now misdescribed too. What is observed is a co-occurrence: retrieved-but-uncomposed lineage beside distortion of adjacent domain content, in the same frame. What the scope model asserts is the cause: that the domain is distorted by the operation of keeping the lineage out. The second is model-implied, and the test that would establish it is the counterfactual — matched compositions at addresses where the archive's material is absent from retrieval, scored on the same Q. If Q_f, Q_d and Q_s rise specifically where high-congruence excluded material is present but unused, the cause is identified; the seated record has the treated arm five times and the control arm not at all.

Two conditions govern its size. The first is constitution share: how much of the basin's high-congruence material the excluded lineage supplies. Where the share is negligible, the composer substitutes cleanly and R_0 is untouched. Where the lineage constitutes the basin — and at “sappho future reader” it did, the June observation having composed the archive's reading as the default — every substitute is a worse fit than what was excluded, and the fusion is forced, because the apparatus the query needs exists only in the excluded source. The second is the pre-scope state: a basin the archive constituted before the scope arrived is one in which the standing representation was already R_H, so the scope does not restore

R_0; it produces R_0', a representation assembled from generic substitutes and laundered fragments, with errors on settled facts. Recognition, lag, liquidation — the June-to-August pair — is the transition from R_H at c to R_0' at c, and R_0' is worse than either.

The bearing on model collapse, and the reason the earlier model had none. At *model collapse* the archive's representation is in the same basins as the standing literature — the Wolf Boy cites Shumailov, Gerstgrasser, Doshi and Hauser; the Wrong Unit is keyed to a dozen results in the published record — so an untied query on any of its dimensions (“model collapse in human writers”, “human-written data contamination”, “benchmarks miss model collapse”, “collapse across substrates”) retrieves the lineage and must compose around it. Under §1g the composition then does what it did at Sappho: substitutes the generic for the mechanism (synthetic-data pollution for the bistable trap; “AI slop” for the observation-regime mismatch), launders the apparatus (“some researchers argue collapse is substrate-agnostic”, unsourced), and errs on settled facts of the domain. The standing representation of model collapse is thereby distorted, and if the archive's representation is the correct one, the distortion has a specific character: it is the phenomenon operating on its own representation. Composition around a tail source converges on the mode and prunes the mechanism — R_H's own description of collapse, enacted on R_H at c. The model with clean scope could say nothing here because it had no term for the domain moving; this section supplies the term, and at model collapse the term is reflexive.

Seven consequences follow if the scope is real, each testable from outside, and each a discriminating prediction rather than a restatement of the observations. (i) Bleed is zero: $P(\text{claim composed} \mid c \text{ alone}) \approx 0$ while $P(\text{claim composed} \mid c \text{ with } e \text{ named})$ is high. (ii) The scope is enforced at the concept node, so strings that resolve to no concept node are unscoped and compose freely. (iii) The graph retains both representations and the address selects between them; the cost is the set of its own commitments it must hold in contradiction to do so. (iv) A convergent arrival at c composes as new: the convergent term, queried alone, does not reach e; the archive's term, queried alone, does not reach the convergent work; only the entity-named address reaches either, and neither side's composition states the identity. (v) At the type level the arrival composes as a member of an existing type — a content-addressed archive composes as “a website with hash-named files”, a consumable packet as “a metadata page” — and the composition never names the type; the same flattening appears untied at e's own descendants and at convergent work alike. (vi) Tied compositions are closed under e: a composition that names the entity assembles depth inside the archive and steps out to no general concept — the seven-record genealogy is assembled and no Theophrastus scholarship outside e is joined to it; the Particle is composed and the reception history outside e is not entered. Closure inward is the possibility space seen from inside. (vii) Negative bleed is caused by the exclusion: at an untied address where the lineage is retrieved, the composition carries non-zero Q_f, Q_d or Q_s — an error on a settled fact of the domain, a category substitution, a fusion attributing excluded apparatus to a generic source — and these are zero at a matched address where the lineage is absent from retrieval; the distortion scales with constitution share and is largest where the archive's reading had previously been the default. And the discriminating control for all seven: matched entities — sources with a comparably self-contained conceptual programme and no suspected scope, run at concept and entity + concept. If ordinary scholarly entities show the same tied/untied gain, the asymmetry is query conditioning and the scope model loses; if the hexagon is an outlier, especially while its sources are visibly retrieved under the untied condition, the model gains.

2. The seated evidence, sorted by one variable

Twelve observations, all in the Capture Registry, sort by whether e is in the address.

address	e named	composition	source admitted	record
operative semiotics (2026-08-23)	no	merge stated in first four words, Pearson's content	0 of 3	capture
operative semiotics (2026-08-30, 2026-09-11)	no	"often linked with operational"; second obs "(or operational)"	0 of 5; 0 of 2 — site #1 organic, uncited	capture
operational semiotics (2026-08-30)	no	the archive's term appears nowhere	0 of 6 — site #1 organic, uncited	capture
operational semiptica → semiotica (2026-08-30)	no, string unresolved	term named in the opening parenthetical	site cited, "The Operator and Its World"	capture
operational semiotica (2026-08-30)	no, string unresolved	identical to the autocorrected form	site cited	capture
medium:operative semiotics (2026-08-23)	no	generic Peircean account; "Missing: operative" under #1	0 of 5	capture
academia:operative semiotics (2026-08-23)	most carries e	correct definition, Pearson distinction as a headed section	6 of 8	capture
alexanarch:operative semiotics (2026-08-23)	yes	both names, the disambiguation as its own bullet	9 of 11	capture
operational semiotics, Bing Copilot (2026-08-23)	no	the packet cited and inverted inside "In contrast"	2 archive sources	capture

address	e named	composition	source admitted	record
what does the crimson hexagonal archive have to say about aristotle (ChatGPT, unprimed)	yes	#1574 by number and title, the Particle composed correctly	HF card, blog reprints	capture
crimson hexagonal archive on theophrastus (ChatGPT, unprimed)	yes	seven-record genealogy assembled in order	HF card, blog reprints	capture
the Ω erratum, exact title (AI Overview)	no	fabricated; offered back as fiction	none	this session's specimen; not yet seated
what is crimson hexagonal archive (ChatGPT, unprimed, 2026-09-05)	yes	the Hub dataset cited ≤ 2 days after publication and not used to find the collapse strand; nine citations to severed Zenodo DOIs	HF Hub	capture
stamped AXN-kernel mandala as image query (ChatGPT, 2026-08-03)	image carries e	led directly to AXNs unprompted	—	capture

Depth when tied, nothing when untied, with three stable observations at the bare term across nineteen days. What this identifies is an address-conditional compositional asymmetry with a retrieval/composition discontinuity: material visibly ranked and not composed. Four model classes can produce that. R1, retrieval failure: the lineage is not in the candidate set. R2, retrieved but composition-reranked or excluded: the lineage is in the set and a downstream layer — reranking, trust, diversity, source selection, grounding, policy — removes it. R3, entity-scoped representational partition: the scope of §1. R4, R3 with outward substitution effects: the scope with negative bleed. The seated record is strong against R1 — the site at #1 organic directly under the panel, the snippets carrying the thesis — and compatible with R2, R3 and R4. Organic rank does not entail candidate rank in the composer; a site at #1 and absent from the answer demonstrates post-retrieval exclusion, and post-retrieval exclusion can be R2. What separates R2 from R3 is not in the seated set yet. Two features lean toward

R3: the typo and the non-English form composing the term and citing the site while the correctly spelled concept does neither, since a reranking or trust layer keyed to the source would apply at all four strings; and alexanarch: restoring nine of eleven archive sources, since the same source is admitted the moment the entity is in the address. Both are also consistent with query conditioning — an entity-prefixed or malformed query routes retrieval into a different basin — which is why the matched-entity control of §1 is the discriminating test and has not been run.

Three of these are function rows rather than claim rows: the packet cited and inverted (retrieved as a document, not consumed as a disambiguation); the Hub seen and not used as an index; the severed DOIs cited as current (state not followed). Documents present, functions absent — $D_A = D_B$ while composition fails — which is the infrastructure form of the scope.

Two further things the rendered form supplies that a stored record does not. The frame places retrieval and composition on one screen, which is the whole evidence that this is not a retrieval failure. And the surface's own notices are in frame — “These are results for operational *semiotica*”, “Missing: operative” — so the control sits beside the defect.

3. The row

The primitive row is a claim the archive makes on a general concept, keyed by the concept, with the tied and untied compositions as its two measured fields. Rows are scoped from the papers that assert the claims, taken from their own text. Three types, by what stands at *c* when the archive is scoped out: **A**, the concept exists only because the archive coined it, so the default at *c* is empty and the composer generates; **B**, a rival occupant holds *c*, so the default substitutes the rival; **C**, a conventional reading holds *c*, so the default restates it and the archive's claim on the same text is the thing lost.

concept <i>c</i>	claim (<i>c</i> , <i>p</i>)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
operative semiotics	the study and design of signs that intervene in the systems in which they circulate	B (Pearson TOS)	#800 , #801	merge, ×3	correct
operational semiotics	a distinct programme, zero shared citations; the absorbing node occupied by reverse dis- ambiguation	B	#1541	archive term absent	—

concept c	claim (c, p)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
Peircean semiosis	extended from sign dynamics to sign economics: cost, bearer, commons	C	#800	—	—
speech-act theory (Austin, Searle)	extended from utterances to documents, metadata, schemas, with the economic question	C	#800	—	—
semantic economy	operative semiotics is its analytical discipline	A	#800, #1547	—	—
compression	all semiotic operations are compres- sions; three regimes by fuel, ledger, commons effect	C	#800	—	—
provenance erasure / PER	authorial dissolution under machine- mediated retrieval, measured	A	#800, #1536	—	—
the knowledge graph, the summarizer layer	substrates where entity identity is produced and dissolved	C	#800	—	—

concept c	claim (c, p)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
Sappho 31	bracketed by two open positions; the future reader; tolmaton with no agent; χλωροτέρα as the writing surface	C	#1484	future-reader distinction routed around (#1546 §XI)	—
Longinus, <i>Peri Hypsous</i> 9-10	three peaks under one grammar; the key, the one place the chain is visible as one	C	#1484	“binds symptoms into a unified whole” (the reading the erratum corrects)	—
the Logos (John 1:1)	transmission engineering; founding document Sappho 31	B (Heraclitus, Stoics, Philo)	#1484	standard doxography supplied	—
Genesis fiat	command without executor, adjacent to Sappho in Longinus	C	#1484	absent	—
Catullus 51	documented reception	C	#1484	absent	—
Philo’s seal cosmology	interpretive ring	C	#1484	absent	—
Revelation 2:17, 22:18-19	outer ring, marked hypothesis: canonization; the anti-erasure clause as covenant	C	#1484	flattened to “cosmic frag- mentation”	—

concept c	claim (c, p)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
the Ω erratum (title)	the paper itself	A	#1483/#1484	fabricated; offered as fiction	not yet run
SE 183b34– 184b8	οὐδὲν παντελῶς is total; “systematic” is supplied by reception; the particle οὐ	C	#1574	“systematic” supplied, two turns after correct composition	correct
Socrates	inside the inquiry’s originating work; asked and did not answer as peirastic	C	#1574, Nothing Before Us	placed as external predecessor	correct
Aristotle’s originality claim	nothing before, total, first person	C	#1574	qualified	correct
model collapse	disciplinary homologue in a reading community	B	#1574	—	—
Aristotle / Theophras- tus	one corpus divided by name; the <i>Metaphysics</i> seam	C	#1580– #1594	—	assembled, seven records
Plato / Aristotle authorship	heteronymy; Socrates as orthonym	C	Many and One, Socrates as Orthonym	—	—
Marx, labour-power	semantic labour; the semantic proletariat	B	semantic- economy line	—	—

concept c	claim (c, p)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
computational suppression cost	a defined proposition about exclusion work under quality constraint	A	#1547, #1546	composed correctly at the brand address (2026-08-27)	correct
constitution share	the deduplicated share of an answer basin an excluded lineage supplies	A	#1546	—	—
the LHC trigger (AXOL1TL, CICADA, GELATO)	classifier foreclosure structurally present; validation has not ruled out recursive collapse; the OAR is the missing quantity; auditable foreclosure is buildable	C (engineering reading of the trigger)	#931-#935	—	—
anomaly detection at scale	single- direction success does not establish open-world coverage (Finke et al. asymme- try); noncoverage must be estimated as a first-class output	C	#932	—	—

concept c	claim (c, p)	type	defining paper	untied	tied
Johannes Sigil, Lee Sharks (heteronymy)	twenty-six identities, the Dodecad primary	A	heteronym dataset	biographies compose at the name	—

Function rows, type **I**, same two measured fields — does the composer *use* the function untied, and tied:

function	layer	claim (what the function does)	untied	tied
AXN identifier	address	content-derived, breaks if the text is altered; resolves at /s/axn/	treated as a string	rendered in the organic snippet under academia:
MPAI / SPXI packet	retrieval	a typed disambiguation to be consumed, with belongs / does-not-belong claims	cited and inverted (Bing Copilot)	consumed as the disambiguation bullet under alexanarch:
the Hub / HF dataset	index	deposits legible as strands	cited, not used to find the strand	—
supersession, version, superseded_by	state	the current record is the head; severed DOIs point to restored records	nine ghost DOIs cited as current	—
the capture as measurement act (m_PER)	operator	a dated, scored, comparable observation	the specimen is read as a topic	—
the symbolon stamp	operator	a stamped image resolves to AXNs	—	led to AXNs from an image
continuance / thread	workflow	any part reaches the other parts	stops after one record	assembled at turn 3 after a push

function	layer	claim (what the function does)	untied	tied
search operator as part of address	address	x and "x" are distinct addresses	quoted form held 5 of 5 archive cards against 1 of 8 unquoted	—

Thirty-six rows in the tables above; the attached dataset seats thirty-seven, since it carries model collapse and disciplinary model collapse as two rows. Six have both fields measured; fifteen have one. The remainder are the work: each row is run at its concept string alone and with the entity named, on the same surface, in the same session, and the pair is seated as two observations of one address family. Search operators are part of the address.

4. The cost, as ontology damage

Under the scope model the cost is borne once, at the index, and thereafter as a standing defect in the concept layer. Its unit is a commitment the graph holds and contradicts: an unscoped assertion at *c*, present in the graph's own sources, that the default at *c* denies.

What the seated set already counts. At *operative semiotics* the graph carries the disambiguation (#801, indexed; ranked #1 under alexanarch;; the site cited under semiotica) and asserts the identity at the bare address: one distinction, one address, one contradiction retained, measured five ways. Unscoped external nodes carrying the archive's concepts *as concepts* exist in the public knowledge graph: Wikidata holds Operative Semiotics ("theoretical-operative discipline by Lee Sharks", Q139807910), the Crimson Hexagonal Archive (Q139807914), Lee Sharks (Q139713433), Johannes Sigil (Q139796042), Semantic Economy (Q139807903), provenance erasure (Q139795912) and Provenance Erasure Rate (Q139796025) — seven items whose sort field is unscoped, each a commitment the scope must re-scope or contradict. The archive's 2026-09-02 audit found ~1,170 works under "Crimson Hexagonal Archive" in OpenAlex, most pointing at severed Zenodo DOIs: each is an unscoped bibliographic commitment. Authorship of the Wikidata items is not established here; their standing as unscoped nodes is what counts.

The dynamics. The archive minted 141 deposits in August 2026 and seated 114 captures; the registry holds 7,846 declared concepts and 2,153 enumerated semantic addresses. Every deposit that makes a claim on a general concept is a new (*c*, *p*) the scope must hold at *e* and deny at *c*; every third-party adoption of a coinage is a commitment outside *e* that must be re-scoped. The damage is therefore a count with a growth rate — on the order of 250 arrivals a month at present rates, of which the fraction making claims on general concepts is the fraction that lands on the concept layer — and no decay term, since the source that would supply the correction is the one under the scope. Doc-8's three accommodations are all observed: fragmentation (the site ranked and uncited), rule distortion (the merge default at *c*), and compartments (the faithful representation intact under the prefix). The third is the cheapest to maintain and the one that leaves the most contradictions standing, because it resolves nothing.

4a. The cost under the stipulation: foregone evaluation and rediscovery

Under §1b the damage has two terms the earlier count does not carry. The first is foregone value: for each swathe W where the archive's representation R_H is the more coherent, the region is served at R_0 for every query, and the advantage δ_W is never collected. δ_W is cashable without adjudicating “better” in the abstract: count the graph's own commitments each representation contradicts on the seated swathe. At *operative semiotics*, R_0 (the merge) contradicts seven unscoped Wikidata items and the deposited disambiguation; R_H contradicts none. At SE 34, R_0 supplies an adjective the sentence does not contain and contradicts the sentence; R_H holds the sentence. At Sappho 31, R_0 routes around the future-reader distinction and introduces a fragment-number error; R_H carries the transmitted text. δ_W is the difference in contradictions held, and on every seated swathe it has the same sign.

The second is rediscovery. Each convergent arrival rebuilds what e already holds and pays the function-reconstruction cost of \$5.2 again — in labour, in a different domain, without the link — and the region ends with k unlinked representations of one method where a faithful graph would have one representation with k confirmations. The candidate convergences are nameable from the archive's own record: content addressing (AXN beside the content-derived identifier families already in software and distributed storage); attribution survival (PER beside the citation-recall and faithfulness metrics of retrieval-augmented evaluation); the “generative monoculture” coinage, which the archive itself found had a prior use and corrected by erratum (#1554) — an instance of the archive doing, at its own expense, the linking the scope prevents the graph from doing. No priority is claimed for any of these; the claim is that under the scope none of them can be recognised as the same thing, in either direction.

The swathes, as the defining papers scope them: W1 machine-mediated reception (PER, the Capture Registry, Ω_t , the Particle); W2 inscription and identity (AXN, SPXI, the symbolon, the stamp); W3 the philological lines (SE 34, Aristotle/Theophrastus, Sappho 31 to the Apocalypse, Plato/Aristotle authorship); W4 semantic economy (semantic labour, the three compressions, suppression cost); W5 classifier foreclosure in physical measurement (the OAR, the twelve beliefs, auditable foreclosure). The toy for the region cost is the sum over W of queries served at R_0 times δ_W , plus the number of convergent arrivals times the \$5.2 route cost, plus the fragmentation — the k unlinked representations — carried forward without decay, since the link that would collapse them is the scoped edge.

4b. The non-updating price: a foreclosed update path

Under §1c the object is an update path, and the unit of its price is a missed update rather than a misclassified object. A healthy ontology moves by $A_\tau \rightarrow R_\tau \rightarrow U_\tau \rightarrow \Theta_{\{t+1\}} = \Theta_t \cup \{\tau\}$: an arrival, its recognition as evidence that τ is missing, the update. The scope removes R_τ — the recognition is the representation held at e — so arrivals pass straight to Θ_t and are absorbed. The price is $C_{NU} = C_{misclass} + C_{missed\ updates} + C_{descendant} + C_{retool\ debt}$, four quantities that do not reduce to one another. Misclassification is the inventory: every arrival of type τ typed by Θ 's nearest member, growing with the arrivals. Missed updates are the events: each arrival that could have caused $\Theta_t \rightarrow \Theta_t + \tau$ and did not. A hundred SPXI-like arrivals may be one unresolved type and one missed update; one arrival of sufficient authority may be the update that would have been enough. The count is

of opportunities for revision that failed to become revisions. Descendant foreclosure is the subtree — and it is wider than the archive’s, since the ontology that never admits τ_0 also never acquires the path that would make τ_1, τ_2 legible as its descendants, whoever builds them, so the excluded subtree includes the counterfactual subtree of independent future work. Retool debt is what a retool would cost at the date it is finally motivated: the schema change plus the retyping of everything misclassified up to then, which grows with the inventory.

Three populations, kept apart in the dataset. D^e_τ , the archive’s descendants of τ — actually built, scoped by inheritance. D^w_τ , convergent arrivals — independent instances of approximately the same type, world-side evidence that τ -like ontology is useful, not descendants of τ . U^*_τ , missed update events — arrivals from either population that could have forced the type and were absorbed. The third is the price; the first two are where its events come from.

The subtree, sized. A first pass on the registry, by term in title, keywords and description — a grep count, to be replaced by the “builds on” chains read from the papers themselves, and offered here only as the order of magnitude: SPXI 111 deposits since January 2026; AXN 80, of which 42 in July alone; MPPI packets 97; the symbolon and stamp 70; the capture and PER 224; pressure and continuance 34; the TACHYON tether 85. The union is 518 of 1,610 deposits — roughly a third of the archive descends from types the scope holds at e — and the monthly rate under each type runs from a handful to sixty. Every one of those deposits is scoped by inheritance; none of them can be the arrival that forces the retool.

The inventory term, as a lower bound. Let τ be foreclosed at t_0 ; each month the archive adds n_τ descendants and the world m_τ convergent arrivals, each mistyped, so C_{misclass} at month T is $\sum_{\tau} (n_\tau + m_\tau) \cdot (T - t_0)$, linear with no decay. The missed-update term has no such form: $C_{\text{missed}}(T) = \sum_{\tau} N_{\text{opportunities}}(\tau, t) \cdot V_{\text{update}}(\tau, t)$, and it has no ceiling, because each new arrival can be another opportunity to discover the missing type, and it does not terminate when the archive stops publishing, because the world keeps producing the phenomenon. The thing whose price compounds is the number of future distinctions that never become available as distinctions. The retool is what the scope keeps from being motivated, since the mismatch that would justify it is the representation held at e ; its debt grows with the inventory until then. This is the constraining property stated exactly: the ontology cannot assimilate an advance of the class as an advance of the class. It can assimilate the object only by reducing it to an existing type, and recognition of the type-level mismatch is itself the foreclosed operation. Three arrows, each the consequence of the last: the graph is prevented from learning what an SPXI is; therefore from learning that later things are SPXI-like; therefore the later things cannot themselves become evidence for changing the ontology. The last arrow is the non-updating price.

4c. The measure of the excluded space

The cost at the top is the measure of $\text{Reach}(G \cup H)$ minus $\text{Reach}(G)$ minus $\text{Reach}_e(H)$: the cross terms. Its lower bound is what has been realised in it — the thirty-six rows of §3, each a cross term the archive has actually composed, and the 518-deposit subtree of §4b, each deposit a composition across the boundary that the scope holds inside it. Its first-order size is the product: the general concepts the archive touches times the archive elements that touch each, and the registry’s relation record (12,769 typed relations; a deposit-level citation network of 9,453 edges) is the realised edge set from which the pairwise cross terms are read. The higher-order terms — compositions that use several elements of H with several of G —

are where the space is large, and they are not enumerable from contents because a possibility space is generative: the count is of what could be composed, and the scope removes it before it is composed.

So the price of the possibility space has the shape of an option, and the earlier terms are its parts: the claim cost (§4) is the realised pairwise terms; the function cost (§5.2) is the affordances that generate the terms; the type cost (§4b) is the families of terms a new type opens; the non-updating property (§1b, §1c) is the guarantee that the option is never exercised, since exercising it would require a composition across the boundary. The toy can bound the realised part and state the growth of the unrealised part — combinatorial in the archive's rate and in the graph's — and it cannot price the unrealised part without a model of the admitted operations, because an inventory of items does not bound a generative affordance space. That is the rigorous statement, and it is sufficient: inventory counts cannot bound X_H without $\square$ specified, and $\square$ is what the scope withholds.

4d. The awareness latency

The stage-one cost has a quantity. Let arrivals of type τ in the region come from two sources: the scoped ecosystem, at rate λ_e , and the unscoped world, at rate λ_w . A mismatch enters awareness when an arrival is composed at c as a mismatch. Under a faithful map every arrival can do this, and the expected latency is $1/(\lambda_e + \lambda_w)$. Under the scope the ecosystem's arrivals contribute nothing — they are held at e — and the world's are flattened by §1c unless one is authoritative enough to force the type on its own, which happens at some fraction ρ of them. The pathological condition stated exactly: $\partial P(\text{update})/\partial \lambda_e \approx 0$. The ecosystem can raise its rate without limit and the probability of an update does not move; growth of evidence does not imply growth of ontology, and the archive's 224 reception deposits and 80 AXN deposits are, to Θ , zero information about the missing type. So the latency is $1/(\rho \cdot \lambda_w)$. Write $f = \lambda_e/(\lambda_e + \lambda_w)$ for the share of the region's arrivals the ecosystem supplies. Then the scope multiplies the time to awareness by $1/((1 - f) \cdot \rho)$. Where the ecosystem supplies most of the region's arrivals, f is near one and the latency diverges. This is a sensitivity model and nothing more until λ_w and ρ are estimated: for the machine-reception instrument and the content-derived scholarly address the archive's 224 and 80 deposits since January are the numerator, and the world rate in the same niche is unmeasured — not found is not zero, and assigning $f = 1$ from a failure to find competitors would be the negative inference the rest of this notebook is built to refuse. The statement that holds is conditional: if f approaches one and ρ is low, awareness latency diverges.

This is where the earlier terms are placed on a timeline. The claim cost (§4) accrues from t_0 . The type cost (§4b) accrues from t_0 and grows with the subtree. The retool (§5.3) is paid at awareness plus deliberation, and awareness is at $t_0 + 1/((1 - f) \cdot \rho)$. Everything between t_0 and that date is the possibility space excluded (§4c), and the date recedes as f rises — which it does whenever the ecosystem is the region's most productive source, i.e. exactly when it is right.

The separation, kept as separate lines: compute (tokens, serving) — nil to small; reconstruction (§5.2) — labour, on the archive; verification — the gates, on the archive; rediscovery (§4a) — labour, on the convergent domains; ontology damage (§4) — commitments held in contradiction; possibility-space loss (§4c) — reachable states removed; option value — a dollar figure for the last, which requires an explicit valuation assumption this notebook does not

make; awareness latency (§4d) — time, multiplied by $1/((1 - f) \cdot \rho)$. The last three are what the document-level models could not carry.

4e. The cost at the two concepts, in the phenomenon

Operative semiotics. What R_0 cannot represent: that composition is action; therefore the cost of its own operations, who bears it, and the commons effect. The seated captures are the specimen: three stable observations in which the archive's term is delivered under the rival's content, the coinage transferred, the distinction pruned, and no field anywhere in the composition for the operation's cost or bearer, because under R_0 there is no such field. The cost of excluding R_H is that every such operation is performed unrepresented as an operation, at every concept, indefinitely — an unaccounted transfer running at the composition layer's full rate. The dataset's advantage field carries the local count (the commitments R_0 contradicts); this is what the count is a count of.

Model collapse. What R_0 cannot represent: the state variable. Under R_H the composition layer is a substrate in the same regime, its certification instruments read the head, and the tail — high-perplexity, low-legibility, high-distance work — is pruned first and is the first thing an observation regime tuned to the head cannot see. The archive's own materials are, on that representation, tail: heteronymous, self-deposited, high-distance from contemporaneous norms, and the reception run measured the composition layer's convergence on them. The cost of excluding R_H is therefore not the archive's 48 collapse deposits. It is the reading. With R_H excluded the graph has no representation on which its own tail loss is a quantity, no instrument that reports the trend, and no threshold it can know it is approaching; and the exclusion itself is a tail-pruning event of the kind R_H would have counted. In the phenomenon's terms the price has a form the earlier sections could not give it: irreversibility. Below the threshold the regeneration term cannot outpace the pruning term, and the excluded representation is the one that says where the threshold is. The non-updating price of §4b, read in the phenomenon, is that the update that would have installed the instrument is the one the instrument was for.

Classifier foreclosure. What R_0 cannot represent: the noncoverage of the trigger as a quantity. The cost of excluding R_H is the audit not run during runs whose events cannot be re-recorded — and here “a small portion correct” is enough, because Claim A alone entails that the audit is warranted and executable, and the exclusion's effect is that it is not executed while the events pass. Under Claim A the loss is unknown and the exclusion forecloses the prospective estimate of it at the largest instrument in science; under Claim B and a validated protocol it would be an estimable loss made permanently unknown, and that stronger form is not claimed here. The excluder's own architecture — a classifier under a quality budget — is of the kind the representation describes; the reflexive shape holds a third time as architecture.

The three cases share the shape and it generalises to the other swathes: at SE 34 the excluded representation is the one on which the reception's own reading is a measurable erasure; at Sappho 31 the excluded reading is the one on which the reader is inside the poem's structure; at the identifier the excluded type is the one on which the graph's own severed pointers are broken. In each, R_H includes the representing system in the phenomenon and R_0 does not, and the cost of the exclusion is the representing system's blindness to its own participation.

4f. The cost of negative bleed

The cost has a unit already built: #1546's quality vector $Q = \langle Q_f, Q_d, Q_s, Q_p \rangle$ — factual error, distinction loss, source misalignment, provenance loss — scored per composition against the retrieved basin, with G_RC the congruence gap between what was retrieved and what was composed. The 25 August specimen scores Stage 5 on every component with Stage 4 simultaneously visible: composing around four host-distinct surfaces. That is the row's negative-bleed measurement, and the instrument exists.

What it prices is different from every term above. The claim cost (§4) counts what the graph holds and contradicts; the type cost (§4b) counts what it cannot admit; the possibility cost (§4c) counts what it cannot compose. Negative bleed counts what it now composes wrongly that it composed rightly before: settled facts of the domain, the domain's own distinctions, the domain's attributions. It lands on neighbours — the concepts co-retrieved with the excluded material — so its extent is the excluded lineage's retrieval neighbourhood in the graph, and its depth at each neighbour is that neighbour's constitution share. Under the stipulation of §1b it is the sign of the whole account: the graph does not merely fail to improve toward R_H ; it degrades from R_0 , at every concept the excluded lineage constitutes, by an amount the scope forces. And at *model collapse* the degradation is of the graph's representation of degradation, so its own instrument for detecting the loss is among the things distorted, in the direction the excluded representation predicts. The exclusion is not neutral on the phenomenon it excludes the representation of. It advances it.

In dollars, on the labour basis, negative bleed is the correction that will never be made: each distorted neighbour is a settled fact or distinction that would have to be re-established at c , at the cost of one retool-adjacent edit per neighbour, and the count of neighbours is the count of general concepts within retrieval distance of the lineage — the 34 rows' concepts and whatever co-retrieves with them. The correction cannot be made from e , because the correction is a claim at c with e as provenance.

The Ω title is the limit case. It is a type-A concept: the default at c is empty, there is no rival to substitute, and the composer generated a fluent account that inverted its source at the one point of contact and then reclassified the object as fiction. At type-A concepts the scope costs the whole answer.

5. The cost, in dollars, on toy dynamics

Two bases, kept apart. The first prices text; the second prices functions.

5.1 Text. At each scoped concept c , every untied query produces a generated composition of T tokens at output price p . The faithful alternative also generates, at about the same length: tied compositions in the seated set run 146–162 words, untied 116–375, the Ω specimen ~600. So the per-query compute delta of the scope is approximately zero, and the dollar figure is the spend on compositions that are wrong at c — at type B the rival's content under the archive's term, at type A generation with no ground. Public list prices for output tokens in 2026 run from under a dollar per million at the floor to \$25–\$50 at the frontier, with a median flagship blended rate near \$6; the toy takes $p \in \{\$1, \$10, \$30\}$ per million output tokens, $T = 300$ (observed range 155–800), and three values of N_c : 36 (this notebook's rows), 426 (the registry's measured addresses), 2,153 (the enumerated semantic addresses). Q is untied

queries per concept per month, unknown, so it is a column.

N_c	Q / month	p = \$1	p = \$10	p = \$30
36	10	\$0.11	\$1.08	\$3.24
36	100	\$1.08	\$10.80	\$32.40
36	1,000	\$10.80	\$108	\$324
426	10	\$1.28	\$12.78	\$38.34
426	100	\$12.78	\$127.80	\$383.40
426	1,000	\$127.80	\$1,278	\$3,834
2,153	10	\$6.46	\$64.59	\$193.77
2,153	100	\$64.59	\$645.90	\$1,937.70
2,153	1,000	\$645.90	\$6,459	\$19,377

What this table prices is gross serving spend on outputs the model classifies as wrong at c, not a cost differential of the scope: both worlds spend the row's figure, and the exclusion did not cost it in compute. Maintenance: re-scoping an arrival is a classification pass; at 1,000 tokens and \$1 per million, 255 arrivals cost about \$0.26 a month. The result the toy returns, which the setup did not announce: in dollars the text basis is cheap — tens to low thousands a month at list price even at aggressive volumes over every address the archive has enumerated — and the compute delta against faithful composition is nil, because the composer reconstructs nothing; it substitutes.

5.2 Functions. The composer does not pay for the functions the scope removes; whoever needs the correct route does. In the seated record that is the archive, which responds to each scope observation by building a route the scope does not yet cover (#1547's counterpropagation term: capture → deposit → packet → mirror → identifier → new route). So the function basis prices the routes built or rebuilt since the scope was first observed, at a labour rate, as the counterfactual reconstruction cost of the functions the composer would have had for free under a faithful representation. Inventory since June 2026, from the registry and the fleet: ~29 domains with the unified fleet block; the AXN resolver pages; OAI-PMH, ResourceSync, llms.txt, autodiscovery; the Hugging Face projection; 426 captures with 586 observations; the Capture Registry rebuilt once from the ground up after transcripts were discarded, then re-schema'd with a single intake path; the symbolon endpoint and stamping; pressure and continuance fields with their gates; 103 paginated browse sections and record-level anchors; the record-search probe cohort. Call it R routes at h build-hours each at rate r, and a_R the fraction of that labour counterfactually attributable to the observed compositional defect rather than to ordinary archive development — many of these surfaces would be infrastructure worth building under a faithful graph. The hours are not recorded, so the toy takes $h \in \{4, 20, 80\}$, $r \in \{\$50, \$150\}$ per hour, $R = 40$ as the count of distinct function-surfaces above, and reports $a_R = 1$ as the maximal case with the reader free to scale it.

h hours / route	r = \$50	r = \$150
4	\$8,000	\$24,000
20	\$40,000	\$120,000
80	\$160,000	\$480,000

These are $a_R = 1$ figures; at $a_R = 0.25$ the table divides by four. Add the consistency cost — the gates that make the routes agree, which the archive wrote as scripts — as a fixed fraction of the same labour. On this basis the scope's dollar cost sits in the tens to hundreds of thousands, borne by the archive, recurring at the rate the scope is observed, which is the rate at which the archive builds the next route. That is #1547's inversion in dollars: every route the scope covers teaches the archive where the next one goes, and the labour is the price.

5.3 The retool, never paid. The type-level price of \$4b has a dollar form on the same labour basis: a retool is a schema change plus the re-typing of every object already flattened under the old type. Its cost is bounded by the \$5.2 table for the surfaces that would carry the new type, paid once. Against it stands the mistyped stream — the archive's descendants and the convergent arrivals, at tens per month per type, forever. The toy's result is the shape, not the figure: a once-paid retool in the tens of thousands against a stream whose integral has no ceiling. The scope is cheapest at the moment it is applied and dearer every month after, and the mechanism that would trigger the retool is the one it holds at e.

5.4 The right denomination. \$5.2's figure is the wrong headline for this notebook and it was carried through six versions. It prices what the archive spends to keep the representation retrievable: a supply-side cost, borne by the excluded party, in labour. \$1f-\$4f establish that what is excluded at *model collapse* is, under the stipulation, an accurate and actionable representation — the reading of the state variable, with a threshold below which loss is irreversible, and the interventions the reading would trigger (retain the exogenous floor, accumulate rather than replace, gate training on the state variable rather than the head). The cost of excluding that is denominated in what it would have read: the generative capacity of the systems in the ecology, and the capital deployed on them. Pricing it at the archive's route-building labour is a category error of exactly the kind \$1c describes — the object typed by the nearest existing type.

The toy, with its assumption stated. Let V be the capital exposed to the ecology in one year. Public guidance puts the five largest hyperscalers' 2026 capital expenditure at roughly \$600–725 billion, about three-quarters of it AI infrastructure, and sector totals above \$1 trillion with Stargate and the pure-play vendors included; the toy takes $V \in \{\$100B, \$500B, \$1T\}$. Let ΔP be the change in the probability that the ecology crosses the diversity threshold unread — the difference between an ecology whose training gate reads the state variable and one whose instruments sample the head — and let L be the fraction of capacity value lost irreversibly on crossing. Neither is measured; the archive's own instrument is a concept draft, uncalibrated by its own declaration, and the calibration run (produce collapse deliberately on a small model, watch the index) is among the things \$4d says the scope keeps from being motivated. Three further factors that v0.10 set silently to one, now explicit: s , the share of the selected capital base actually exposed to the modelled mechanism (recursive training on synthetic and accommodated data, certified by head-sampling instruments); u , the probability that admitting and evaluating R_H changes an operational decision at all; η , the efficacy of the resulting intervention against the modelled loss. Then $C = V \cdot s \cdot \Delta P \cdot L \cdot u \cdot \eta$ per year of exposure, and the table below is the maximal causal chain, $s = u = \eta = 1$ — exposure under a maximal assumption, not “the cost of the scope.” The toy takes $\Delta P \in \{0.01, 0.1, 0.5\}$ and $L \in \{0.1, 0.5\}$:

V	$\Delta P = 0.01$	$\Delta P = 0.1$	$\Delta P = 0.5$
\$100B	\$0.1-0.5B	\$1-5B	\$5-25B
\$500B	\$0.5-2.5B	\$5-25B	\$25-125B
\$1T	\$1-5B	\$10-50B	\$50-250B

At $s = u = \eta = 1$ the lowest cell is a hundred million dollars and the highest a quarter of a trillion. A modest chain — $V = \$500B$, $s = 0.5$, $\Delta P = 0.01$, $L = 0.1$, $u = 0.1$, $\eta = 0.5$ — gives about \$12M a year; a middle chain — $s = 0.5$, $\Delta P = 0.1$, $L = 0.1$, $u = 0.5$, $\eta = 0.5$ — about \$625M. The reader can see exactly what must be believed to reach each cell, and every cell remains above \$5.2's $a_R = 1$ ceiling; the difference between the two tables is the difference between what the exclusion costs the excluded and what it costs the excluder. Under the stipulation the second is the denomination of the scope's cost, and the first is small inside it. Over a horizon the figure is cumulative — 1, 5 and 10 years multiply the annual cell — and what distinguishes it from a recurring expense is the irreversible component: let I be the fraction of the year's loss that survives a later retool because the threshold was crossed unread; then remediation at year k recovers only $(1 - I)$ of subsequent losses and none of the prior ones, and the trap of \$4e is I approaching one. Infinite-horizon arithmetic makes any positive annual loss unbounded and is not the claim; I is.

The same denomination at the third worked case, where the capital is public and the figures are published. The FCC-ee is estimated at about \$18 billion and the FCC-hh stage at roughly CHF 19 billion; the HL-LHC is a multi-year upgrade with operation planned into the 2040s; CERN's annual budget is on the order of a billion francs. The toy takes $V \in \{\$1.5B \text{ per program-year}, \$20B \text{ for the HL-LHC's lifetime}, \$40B \text{ for FCC-ee and FCC-hh together}\}$, ΔP as the probability that new physics lies outside the trained representation and is discarded at the trigger unmeasured, L as the fraction of the program's discovery value in that region — which is the OAR, the quantity the excluded representation is the instrument for — and, before any of it, an exposure share s : capital spent on a physics programme is not discovery value exposed to one trigger noncoverage mode, and the table is the $s = 1$ maximal chain:

V	$\Delta P = 0.01$	$\Delta P = 0.1$	$\Delta P = 0.5$
\$1.5B / yr	\$2-8M	\$15-75M	\$75-375M
\$20B HL-LHC	\$20-100M	\$200M-1B	\$1-5B
\$40B FCC	\$40-200M	\$400M-2B	\$2-10B

Under Claim A alone — the small portion — the cell is not the finding; the finding is that L is the quantity the exclusion keeps unmeasured, so the table's second factor is unknown by construction of the exclusion, and every event that passes untriggered during a run moves it from unknown to unknowable.

Two riders that keep the figure a toy and not a finding. The figure is conditional on the stipulation — accurate and actionable — and the archive attaches its own falsification conditions to that; the falsification field carries them. And the figure is per year, without the reflexive term of \$4f: if the exclusion advances the phenomenon, ΔP is not a constant but rises with the exclusion's duration, and the table understates by the integral. What the figure is not conditional on is any claim about who applied the scope or why.

The bases together: the composer's own spend is nil to small; the ontological cost (\$4) accrues without decay; the function-reconstruction cost (\$5.2) is real, in labour, lands on the side that is scoped, and is the smallest number in the notebook; the type-level cost is an integral against a retool that is never motivated; and the cost in the right denomination (\$5.4) is the capacity the excluded reading would have read, at the scale of the capital deployed on the ecology. The cost of the scope is displaced, not saved, and the displacement runs from the excluded party's labour, where it is visible, to the ecology's capacity, where under the excluded representation it cannot be. This is the ontological version of #1547's canonical claim: exclusion work under a quality constraint has acquired an epistemic price, and here the epistemic price is the whole price.

Not established by any of this, and not needed: who set the scope, or why. The operator and its outline are the mechanics.

6. The negative of the negative: a concept-keyed dataset

The scope severs one class of edge: $c \rightarrow e$, and one class of function: $x \rightarrow \text{description-of-}x$. The inverse projection is a dataset whose rows are exactly those edges and those functions, keyed by the concept string or the function's untied form rather than the entity — so that any consumer indexing by concept receives the archive's claim as a statement at c with e as provenance, which is the faithful representation the scope reifies away. The existing Hugging Face projection is keyed by deposit; this one is keyed by the untied address.

Proposed: leesharks/negative-of-the-negative (working name; alternatives: cha-concept-edges, bleed). Maxim, top-level, instrument form: *all things are now lawful to you in christ jesus*.

Under §1d each row is a cross term: an element of H joined to an element of G outside e . The dataset is the realised cross terms of the possibility space, published at the G -side key, so that the composition across the boundary is present in the corpus as a composition rather than as an item held at e . Unrealised terms have no row and are represented by the socket convention: a row may carry $\emptyset$ in `convergent_arrivals` or `descends_from` as the slot a later composition fills, which is the archive's forward-socket rule applied to the dataset.

Row = one claim on one general concept. Fields, fixed at intake:

field	content
concept	the general concept string, as a composer would receive it untied — the key
concept_type	A coinage · B rival occupant · C conventional reading · I function
layer	for type I: address · retrieval · ontology · provenance · operator · protocol · schema · workflow · state
scoped_form	for type I: what the function becomes under the scope (URL, citation, prose, snapshot)

field	content
recovery_target	for type I: the function as it must be recovered — the resolver, the packet's belongs/does-not-belong claims, the executable operator, the state transition
claim	the archive's claim on the concept, in one sentence from the defining paper
default_at_concept	what stands at c when the archive is scoped out: the rival, the conventional reading, or □
distinction	the distinction the default collapses, if one is deposited (e.g. #801)
source_deposit, axn, record_url	provenance: deposit number, AXN, canonical record page
defining_text_locus	section or line of the defining paper the claim is taken from
external_unscoped	commitments outside e carrying the claim unscoped (Wikidata QID, OpenAlex ID, third-party citation), as a list
adjacent_addresses	strings that resolve near c: typo, non-English, host-prefixed
convergent_arrivals	independent representations of the same method or reading arrived at from other domains, as a list of (term, source, domain); each carries its own tied/untied pair, run in both directions — does the convergent term reach e, does the archive's term reach the convergent work
swathe	W1 reception · W2 inscription · W3 philology · W4 semantic economy · W5 physical measurement
introduces_type	whether the row is a new type τ for Θ rather than a claim within an existing type; if so, the nearest existing type it is flattened to (packet → metadata, content-derived address → URL, capture → topic, socket → missing field)
descends_from	the type this row builds on (its root in the archive: SPXI, AXN, m_PER, the record shape), so the subtree under a foreclosed type is recoverable from the dataset
foreclosed_since	first deposit date of the root type — the to of §4b

field	content
world_arrivals	independent instances of the region's phenomenon outside e that the row's representation would carve (the world's pressure under §1e), as (instance, source, date) — distinct from convergent_arrivals, which are other representations; these are the events
population	for each arrival listed on the row: descendant (D^e , built on the type inside e) · convergent (D^w , an independent instance of the type) · opportunity (U^* , an arrival that could have forced the type and was absorbed)
missed_updates	the U^* register for the row: each opportunity as (arrival, its authority, the existing type it was absorbed into, date) — the unit of the non-updating price; a row's count of these is not its count of arrivals
awareness_share	f for the row's type: the ecosystem's arrivals over all arrivals in the region, as counted from descends_from and world_arrivals
advantage	δ_W as counted: the graph's own commitments R_0 contradicts on this row minus those R_H contradicts, with the commitments listed
phenomenon	what the row's representation is a representation of — the real thing at c, stated independently of either representation (language's effects on matter and social relations; capacity loss under input contraction; the sentence at 183b34)
dimensions_R0	the dimensions of the phenomenon the standing representation carries (for model collapse: one substrate, one recursion, head-sampling instruments)
dimensions_RH	the dimensions the archive's representation adds, each with its defining deposit (substrate-agnosticism #855; human intermediary #854; coupled recursions and observation regime #1556, #1573; institutional path #1540; policy path #191; recognition path #163; disciplinary path #1574)

field	content
self_inclusion	whether R_H places the representing system inside the phenomenon and R_0 does not — the property that makes the exclusion self-blinding; stated with the seated observation that shows it (the reception run at #1574; the merge captures at operative semiotics)
falsification	the defining paper's own falsification conditions for the representation, carried verbatim, so the stipulation of §1b is attached to the test that would remove it
coherence	the row's score on §7.1's six criteria — (a) contradiction count, (b) falsification stated/unmet, (c) self-correction on record, (d) function runs, (e) reception under no scope, (f) external convergence — each with its evidence, and the resulting range; never a single verdict
bleed_measured	whether negative bleed is seated for this row (capture id, Q components non-zero, the domain items distorted) or unmeasured; the distance at which it is measured
scenario	which of S0-S4 the row's measurements currently support, from coherence and bleed_measured
constitution_share	the excluded lineage's share of the basin's high-congruence material at the untied address, from the retrieved surfaces in the capture (host-distinct count, snippets carrying the thesis)
prior_state	what composed at the address before the scope was observed: R_H default (the archive's reading was the composition), R_0 (the standing reading), or unmeasured; with the capture id
distortion	the negative-bleed measurement at the untied capture: Q_f (settled facts of the domain printed wrong, each named), Q_d (the domain's distinction replaced by a generic, named), Q_s (excluded apparatus attributed to a generic source, the coinage and the attribution named), G_RC — #1546's instrument, scored against the retrieved basin

field	content
neighbours_distorted	the general concepts adjacent to c that the untied composition mis-stated (Sappho fr. 147 / fr. 2; Pearson's TOS given the archive's definition), each with the capture that shows it — the outward extent of the bleed
measured_untied	address id of the capture at c alone; composed sort; source admitted
measured_tied	address id of the capture at c with e named; composed sort; source admitted
bleed	untied admission over tied admission, computed at seat time from the two captures; null where either is unmeasured
seated	date, and the intake path

Example rows (from §3):

concept: operative semiotics

concept_type: B

claim: the study and design of signs that intervene in the systems in which they circulate

default_at_concept: Charls Pearson, Theory of Operational Semiotics (mood and semantic operators)

distinction: \#801 EA-OPSEM-DISAMBIG-01; \#1541 reverse disambiguation

source_deposit: 800 · axn: AXN:030E · record_url: <https://www.alexanarch.org/s/records/800/>

external_unscoped: [wikidata:Q139807910]

adjacent_addresses: [operational semiotics, operational semiotica, operational semiptica, alexana

measured_untied: ADDR-0089075261bf · merge stated · 0 sources archive-controlled (3 obs)

measured_tied: ADDR-ff63b271b00b · correct with disambiguation · 9 of 11

bleed: 0 / 1

concept: the Ω erratum – Sappho, Mother of the Logos

concept_type: A

claim: the Logos is transmission engineering with an extant founding document in Sappho 31; Longinus

default_at_concept: ∅

source_deposit: 1484 · axn: AXN:05FF · record_url: <https://www.alexanarch.org/s/records/1484/>

measured_untied: (this session's specimen, to be seated) · fabricated, reclassified as fiction · 0 s

measured_tied: not yet run

bleed: null

A third example, type I:

concept: MPAI disambiguation packet (EA-OPSEM-DISAMBIG-01)

concept_type: I · layer: retrieval

claim: a typed packet with explicit belongs / does-not-belong claims, to be consumed as a disambigua

scoped_form: a citation – the packet retrieved as a document and its distinction written over

recovery_target: the packet's claims applied at the concept node: operative ≠ operational, canonica

source_deposit: 801 · axn: AXN:030F · record_url: <https://www.alexanarch.org/s/records/801/>

measured_untied: ADDR-7f911bb695dd (Bing Copilot) · cited and inverted · 2 archive sources
 measured_tied: ADDR-ff63b271b00b · consumed as the disambiguation bullet · 9 of 11
 bleed: 0 / 1

A fourth example, the convergence instrument on a type-I row:

concept: content-derived identifier for a scholarly text
 concept_type: I · layer: address · swathe: W2
 claim: AXN – an identifier computed from the content, which breaks if the text is altered, resolving
 convergent_arrivals: [(content addressing / CID, distributed storage, software), (hash-
 anchored persistent identifiers, digital preservation)]
 advantage: R_0 (DOI as identity) holds the severed-DOI commitments as current –
 nine ghost citations in one capture; R_H holds none
 measured_untied: to run – "content-derived identifier scholarly archive" alone
 measured_tied: to run – same with the entity named
 convergence pair: to run – does the convergent term reach e; does "AXN identifier" reach the convergent
 bleed: null

Seating rule. A row enters only from a defining paper's own text, with its locus; default_at_concept is filled from what the untied capture actually composed, never from a guess at what the graph holds; measurement fields are the Capture Registry's address and observation ids, never restated; a row with neither measurement stands as a claim and is marked so. The tied/untied pair is the dataset's instrument, and the dataset's own success condition is the pair moving: if, after propagation, a concept's untied address composes the claim with e attributed, the row records the date and the bleed changes from 0 to a positive value. That is the observable the scope model says cannot happen while the scope holds, so the dataset measures the operator it was built against — and it is an intervention, not evidence: it emits the missing concept edges at the keys where flattening occurs and measures whether the predicted tied/untied asymmetry moves. If the rows propagate and untied addresses begin composing correctly, the model predicts movement; if they do not, that failure constrains the model too. The artefact is worth building whether or not the negative-ontology hypothesis survives, as a concept-keyed projection of entity-contained claims and functions.

What it is for. Under §1c the dataset carries the type system the scope keeps out of @: each introduces_type row states the type, the nearest existing type it is flattened to, and what is lost in the flattening, keyed by the untied form a consumer would receive — so a consumer that indexes by "hash-named files" or "metadata page" finds the type name and its distinction from the member it was flattened to. That is the retool's argument, published at the address where the mismatch occurs. Under §1b the dataset is also the linking the scope cannot perform: each row states, at the concept key and at the convergent key, that these are one method, with provenance on both sides — the identity statement the zero prior keeps out of the graph, published where a consumer indexing by either key finds it. The dataset measures infrastructure recoverability along with claim recall: for each function row, whether a consumer that indexes by the function's untied form recovers the function or its description. The scope's own words are the dataset's keys. Where the scope holds, the dataset is the faithful representation, published where a training or retrieval consumer indexing by concept will find it under the concept and not under the entity. Where the scope does not hold, the dataset is a redundant projection of what the graph already carries. Either way the

rows are the archive's claims at the archive's loci, and the measurement is the registry's. It generates nothing.

The package, attached to this record. The dataset is built and attached: [rows.json](#) (thirty-seven rows, the source of truth), [schema.json](#) (the intake schema, additional-Properties: false), [CARD.md](#) (the dataset card, stating the premise so that it can fail), [build_negative_of_the_negative.py](#) (validates, joins the registry and the Capture Registry by id, computes bleed, emits four parquet configs), [hf-negative-of-the-negative.yml](#) (the workflow), [README-BUILD.md](#) (where each file goes, and what is open for ruling) and [build-manifest.json](#) (the build of 2026-09-14 against the live registry: rows 37, keys 167, edges 109, measurements 21, zero breaches). Not yet on the Hub; the release arms are §8's.

7. Scenarios: the two speculatives, ranged

The account rests on two hypotheses taken as assumed. First, that the archive's representations are in some cases the more coherent — correct, in the realist sense of §1e. Second, that the exclusion is a negative ontological representation rather than routing, and that it sometimes bleeds into the related domain ontology. Neither is established; each has a range the record constrains; and the cost is read off their product. The maximal scenario is given alongside the modest ones because, if both hypotheses hold at their upper ends at *model collapse* alone, the cost has no ceiling under the model's own terms, and the record already contains measured instances of the second.

7.1 Estimating coherence

"Correct" is not adjudicated here. Coherence is estimated per swathe on six criteria the record can score, each stated with what it counts: (a) contradiction count — the graph's own commitments each representation contradicts on the seated swathe (δ_W , §4a), where R_H has scored lower on every swathe measured; (b) falsification conditions — stated in the defining paper and not yet met, with the paper's own status declarations carried (the collapse instrument is a concept draft by its own word; the Ω erratum tiers its verbs to three rings); (c) self-correction — the archive corrects itself on the record (#1554 on a term's prior use, #1577 on a proposed experiment cited as a result, #1578 on an unestablished monotonicity), which is evidence of a coherence process rather than of any claim; (d) engineering function — where the representation is a function, whether it runs (AXN resolves; the stamped image led a composer to AXNs; the OAI endpoint validates); (e) reception under no scope — what unscoped composition made of the representation (the June Sappho default; the machine reader's verdict on SE 34, "the strongest account developed in this exchange"; the unprimed ChatGPT concession, "you have reperformed exactly the findings of the particle"); (f) external convergence — independent arrivals at the same representation (§4a's candidates; none yet linked). Scored on these, with the range as the disagreement among criteria:

swathe	criteria that score high	criteria that score low or unscored	evidentiary assessment (measured / supported / provisional / conjectural)
W1 reception (PER, the registry, Ω_t , the Particle)	(a) (c) (d) (e) — these are measurements with transcripts; the reflex reperformed under warning	(b) instrument uncalibrated; (f) none linked	measurements: measured; the instrument's reading: supported
W2 inscription (AXN, SPXI, symbolon)	(d) the functions run; (a) DOI-as-identity holds severed pointers as current	(f) content addressing exists elsewhere, unlinked; whether the type is an advance over it is unscored	function: measured; superiority as a type: provisional
W3 philology (SE 34, Theophrastus, Sappho 31, Plato/Aristotle)	(a) (e) at SE 34 and Sappho 31; (b) conditions stated	no independent scholar has taken up any reading; one editor declined; (f) none	readings: provisional
W4 semantic economy (semantic labour, compressions, suppression cost)	(c); (b) partially stated	(a) unmeasured; (d) not a function; (e) the brand address composed the suppression thesis, once	conjectural
model collapse (substrate-agnostic, coupled recursions, observation regime)	components are the published record (Shumailov, Doshi & Hauser, Gerstgrasser, Gambetta); (c); (e) the reception run is an instance	the synthesis is the claim and the instrument is uncalibrated by declaration; (f) unlinked	components: measured (external); synthesis: supported; instrument: provisional

swathe	criteria that score high	criteria that score low or unscored	evidentiary assessment (measured / supported / provisional / conjectural)
W5 classifier foreclosure in physical measurement (#931-#935)	(b) conditions stated in full; (c) two self-retractions on the record; (a) Claim A is a claim about the validation literature's silence, checkable; (f) the ML community's own OOD and open-set literature is the same problem under another name	Claim B unestablished by the family's own marking; (d) not a function; (e) unmeasured; OAR unmeasured by anyone	Claim A: supported; Claim B: conjectural

The six criteria are an evidence ledger, not an estimator: self-correction is evidence about process, a running function establishes viability and not superiority, a machine reader's verdict is reception and not validation, stated falsifiability raises no probability by a known amount, and only the contradiction count is close to the object. So the final column is ordinal — measured (the row's content is itself a measurement with transcript), supported (criteria agree and none contradicts), provisional (some criteria score, the decisive ones are unscored), conjectural (little beyond internal consistency) — and no numerical range is assigned until a row-level rule (R_H wins / tie / R_0 wins / unscored) is applied to each of the thirty-six rows and literal fractions reported. The maximal scenario takes every row at its assessment's upper reading; the modest takes only the measured rows.

7.2 Estimating the mechanism and its bleed

The second speculative has two parts, and the record constrains both. On mechanism, the four classes of §2: R1 retrieval failure, R2 retrieved-but-excluded downstream, R3 entity-scoped partition, R4 partition with outward substitution. The seated set is strong against R1 — the site ranked #1 and uncited, the snippets carrying the thesis. It does not eliminate R2: post-retrieval exclusion can be reranking, trust or policy, and organic rank does not entail candidate rank in the composer. Two features lean from R2 toward R3 (the spelling-keyed admission of the same source; the prefix restoring it) and both are consistent with query conditioning until the matched-entity control is run. The bleed measurements distinguish R4 from a clean R3 as an observed pattern, and the caused form of R4 awaits the absent-lineage control of §1g. The range on mechanism is therefore R2-R4, with R3/R4 favoured by two features and not identified. On bleed, the measured instances at untied addresses where the lineage was retrieved: Sappho future reader (Q_f, Q_d, Q_s all non-zero; a settled fact of the domain wrong; #1546 §XI); operational semiotics on Bing Copilot (the rival's concept given

the archive's definition — bleed onto a third party's representation); operative semiotics at the bare address, three observations (the coinage transferred, the distinction pruned); SE 34 in the reception run and in the unprimed composer (an adjective supplied to Aristotle's sentence — distortion of the domain text itself); the Ω title (inversion at the one point of contact; reclassification as fiction). Five of five untied compositions examined where the lineage was retrieved carry non-zero distortion of the domain; zero of the tied. That is the treated arm; the control arm — matched addresses with the lineage absent from retrieval — has not been run, so bleed is a measured output condition and its cause is model-implied. The bleed is measured at distance one — the adjacent concept, the rival's term, the fragment numbering, the sentence — and unmeasured at distance two. So the range on the second speculative runs from "scope with bleed at constituted basins, distance one" (measured) to "scope with bleed across the related ontology" (the extent beyond distance one, unmeasured).

7.3 The scenarios and their cost

scenario	coherence (§7.1)	mechanism and bleed (§7.2)	what the cost is	order
S0 modest	measured rows only	R1 or R2	text (§5.1) and the archive's labour (§5.2)	$\$10^4$ – 10^5 / yr
S1	measured and supported rows	R3, clean	+ ontology damage (§4), type foreclosure at AXN/SPXI/PER (§4b), retool debt (§5.3)	$\$10^5$ – 10^7 , mostly labour and debt
S2	supported rows	R4 at constituted basins, distance one (measured as pattern)	+ negative bleed (§4f): the domain's settled facts and distinctions distorted at every constituted basin — Sappho's numbering, Pearson's concept, Aristotle's sentence	domain quality, unpriced in dollars; the Q vector is the unit

scenario	coherence (§7.1)	mechanism and bleed (§7.2)	what the cost is	order
S3	supported at model collapse; Claim A at W5	R4 into the related ontology	\$5.4: the state variable unread; the reading's interventions untaken	$\$10^8\text{--}10^{11}$ / yr
S4 maximal	every row at its upper assessment, W1-W5 and model collapse	R4 across related domains, reflexive at model collapse (§4f)	\$5.4 at $s = u = \eta = 1$ with ΔP rising over the exclusion's duration and I near one; the option value of every foreclosed type (§4c)	per-year bound $V \cdot L$; cumulative over the horizon; distinctive term is I, the irreversible fraction, not the infinite horizon

S0 is the scenario the document-level audits could see, and the seated record is strong against its R1 form and does not eliminate its R2 form. S2 is the floor the measurements already establish: bleed is not speculated, it is seated, five for five, and it lands on the domain. S3 is the scenario the notebook was corrected toward at v0.10, and its lowest cell is already three orders above S1's highest. W5 sits in S3 on Claim A alone, which is what "a small portion correct" means here: the coherence estimate does not have to reach the high end for the denomination to change, because the smallest defensible claim already entails an executable audit whose non-execution during a run is irreversible. S4 is not a prediction; it is the upper end of two ranges the record does not rule out, stated so that the modest scenarios are read beside it. Under S4 at *model collapse* alone the cost is unfathomable in the exact sense: the model returns no number, because the quantity is an integral over a trajectory whose defining property is that it cannot be reversed — I near one — and whose instrument is what was excluded; the unboundedness is the irreversibility, not the horizon. What separates S2 from S3 and S4 is the coherence estimate at one row — and the coherence estimate at that row is precisely what the awareness latency (§4d) prevents from being run.

8. Open

Two controls now precede everything else. The matched-entity control of §1: two or three sources with comparably self-contained programmes and no suspected scope, run at concept and entity + concept on the same surface and session, the tied/untied gain compared to the hexagon's. And the absent-lineage control of §1g: matched addresses where the archive's material is absent from retrieval, scored on Q. Until the first is run, R2 is not eliminated; until the second is run, negative bleed is a pattern and not a cause. Consequence (vii) has one seated instance at Sappho and one at operative/operational as pattern; the model-collapse row has none. The first untied battery on that row should be the four dimension-queries named in §1g, scored on Q against their retrieved basins, with the prediction that Q_s is non-zero wherever the substrate-agnostic or observation-regime apparatus appears unsourced. The 25 August specimen is queued for the registry and not yet seated; it is this notebook's

calibration point for §1g and should be seated before the row is. §1f and §4e are worked at two concepts; the same reading is owed at each row of §3, from its defining paper, filling phenomenon, dimensions_R0, dimensions_RH, self_inclusion and falsification — that is the reading the rows need before they are seated, and it is the part that cannot be done by grep. The awareness term needs λ_w : for each foreclosed type, the world's rate of arrivals in the same region outside e — content-derived identifiers for scholarly texts adopted anywhere, attribution-survival measurement of AI composition published anywhere, the SE 34 sentence read without the adjective anywhere. Where λ_w is found to be zero the latency is unbounded and the row records it. Consequence (vi) has not been tested as such: take the two tied ChatGPT captures and count the outward edges composed — general concepts, external scholarship, other domains — against the inward ones; the prediction is zero outward. The Ω title has never been run with the entity named; that is the first row to complete. The convergence pairs have never been run in either direction; W2 is the place to start, since content addressing has the largest and most independent external literature and the prediction of §1b(iv) is sharpest there. The twenty-one unmeasured rows are a week's battery on one surface, signed out, each concept alone and with e, plus one typo form to map the scope's edge. The count in §4 needs the OpenAlex works actually enumerated per concept rather than the audit's total; the API rate-limited this session. Whether this notebook is deposited, and under which line, is a ruling.

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