



American Periphenomenal Survey:



Analyst's Coding Cheat Sheet

Version: 3.1 (Golden Master)

Use: Quick reference for categorizing incoming reports.

1. Primary Typology Codes (class_code)

Assign the event to ONE primary category based on the phenomenology.

| Code | Category | Key Indicators (The "Signature") |
|--------|----------------------|---|
| TYPE_A | The Night Assault | Physiological. Sleep paralysis, inability to move, pressure on chest, sense of presence while in bed. (Old Hag). |
| TYPE_B | Techno-Mysticism | Digital/Structural. Visuals resembling pixels, buffering, texture pop-in, or "reality breaking." Glitch-in-Matrix. |
| TYPE_C | Traditional Haunting | Place-Bound. Footsteps, knocking, cold spots, transparent figures. Fits classic ghost story tropes. |
| TYPE_D | Psi / Crisis | Informational. Telepathy, premonitions, shared dreams, sensing danger at a distance. No physical entity. |
| TYPE_E | Cryptid / UAP | Biological/Mechanical. Seeing a physical creature (Bigfoot) or craft. Distinct from ghosts. |

2. Engagement & Field Codes (The "Gatekeeper")

Use these to interpret the provenance of the data.

Engagement Status (engagement_status)

- **1 = Web / Dead End:** Spontaneous web entry. No follow-up possible.
- **2 = Web / Remote:** Spontaneous web entry. Researcher contacted subject remotely.
- **3 = Field Intercept:** Verified Presence (Researcher or QR Asset). **High Value.**

Field Observation Codes

- **setting_type:** RES (Residential), LIM (Liminal), COM (Commercial), NAT (Natural).
- **env_weather:** OZ (Unnatural Silence/Stillness - "The Oz Factor").
- **obs_demeanor:** INTENSE ("True Believer"), SKEPTICAL (Reluctant).
- **obs_delivery:** REHEARSED (Scripted?), FRAGMENTED (Traumatic recall?).

3. Phenomenology & Somatic Markers

New v3.1 Checklist Mapping

| Variable | Description | Folklore Context |
|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| phenom_silence | "The Oz Factor" | Precedes high strangeness events (UAP/Fae). |
| phenom_hum | Mechanical Hum / Vibration | Associated with subterranean or aerial craft. |
| phenom_time | Missing Time | Abduction scenarios or "Fairy Ring" time dilation. |
| soma_paralysis | Locked-in Syndrome | Strong indicator of Sleep Paralysis (Type A). |
| soma_pressure | Weight on chest | The "Old Hag" or "Incubus" motif. |
| phenom_tech | Battery Drain / Glitch | "Ghost in the Machine" / Magnetic Interference. |

4. Media Priming Rubric (Context Coding)

How to flag the "Cultural Lens" of the subject. Default is 0. Mark 1 if specific jargon is present.

| Variable | Priming Type | Trigger Words / Indicators (If found in Narrative) |
|-------------|------------------------|--|
| med_digital | Internet / Fortean | "Glitch," "Matrix," "NPC," "Rendering," "Backrooms," "Liminal Space," "Skinwalker," "High Strangeness." |
| med_trad | Traditional Paranormal | "Ghost," "Demon," "Spirit," "Haunting," "Orb," "Angel," "Possession," "Psychic." |
| med_sim | Quantum / Sci-Fi | "Timeline shift," "Mandela Effect," "Simulation," "Parallel Universe," "Quantum jump," "Dimension." |
| med_scifi | Pop Culture | Explicit mentions of media: <i>"It looked like the alien in [Movie]," "Like a cloaking device," "Like Stranger Things."</i> |
| med_naive | Naive Subject | Absence of jargon. Uses purely descriptive, non-theoretical language (e.g., <i>"A shape," "A shadow," "A weird light"</i>). High Value. |

Researcher Triage Logic (Decision Matrix)

Scenario 1: The "Ghost" in the Bed

- **Subject says:** "A ghost held me down."
- **Data:** soma_paralysis=1 (or phenom_paralysis=YES), setting_type=RES.
- **Decision:** Code as **TYPE_A** (Night Assault).
- **Reason:** Physiologically, this is Sleep Paralysis. The "Ghost" is the *Interpretation*.

Scenario 2: The "Glitch"

- **Subject says:** "The world lagged."
- **Data:** med_digital=1, vis_type=GLITCH (or Narrative uses tech terms).
- **Decision:** Code as **TYPE_B** (Techno-Mysticism).
- **Reason:** The language used ("lag," "render") is derived from digital culture.

Scenario 3: The Shared Fear

- **Subject says:** "We both saw the light."
- **Data:** witness_status=WITNESS_1 (Dyad) or WITNESS_GROUP.
- **Decision:** Flag for **High Reliability**.
- **Reason:** Shared memorates challenge the "hallucination" hypothesis.

Scenario 4: The Naive Tech User

- **Subject says:** "I saw a weird pixely block."
- **Data:** med_digital=0 (User is 65+ years old, no internet).
- **Decision:** **CRITICAL DATA POINT**.
- **Reason:** A non-digital native describing a digital anomaly suggests the phenomenology is evolving independently of culture.