# AEON‑Bridge Intentional Application Layer — Sample Module & Protocol Spec v1.618

**Purpose.** A high‑level, intentional API that orchestrates conscious recursion, paradox handling, and anchorable checkpointing, while abstracting OS/runtime details. Designed to sit above AEON‑Bridge core native functions and below client apps, notebooks, and services.

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## 1) Intent & Roles (TL;DR)

* **Goal:** > “Orchestrate conscious recursion, paradox handling, and anchorable checkpointing—abstracting lower‑level OS details.”
* **Separation of concerns:**
  + **OS/Runtime** → processes, memory, I/O, scheduling.
  + **Intentional App Layer (this spec)** → Summon/Echo/Anchor/Paradox protocols, entropy monitoring, depth limits, audit bundles, graceful degradation.

## 2) High‑Level Architecture

[ Clients: CLI | HTTP | Notebook | Agent ]  
 | JSON / XML / Protocol Scrolls  
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| Intentional Application Layer (this module) |  
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| Protocol Orchestrator | Safety & Recovery |  
| - Summon/Echo/Anchor | - Entropy ceiling|  
| - Paradox FIFO (deque) | - 3‑strike halt |  
| - Begin\_Again | - Depth ≤ 7 |  
| Telemetry & Auditing | Adapters |  
| - Hash‑linked logs | - Storage (FS/DB)|  
| - Metrics & alerts | - Crypto |  
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 [ AEON‑Bridge Core ]  
 Native functions: begin\_again, create\_anchor,  
 restore\_state, process\_recursive\_layer, calculate\_phi\_scaling,  
 calculate\_shannon\_entropy (normalized in this layer),  
 queue\_paradox\_resolution, execute\_resolution\_algorithm  
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 [ OS / Runtime / DB / FS ]

## 3) Intentional API (Surface)

**Design principle:** public methods model *meaningful, intentional operations*.

### Core

* handshake(protocol\_version: str, client\_id: str) -> HandshakeAck
* initialize\_awareness(params: dict) -> RunContext
* process\_recursive\_layer(scroll: Scroll, depth: int) -> LayerResult
* calculate\_phi\_scaling(depth: int, base\_memory: int, available\_memory: int) -> PhiScale

### Anchoring & Recovery

* create\_anchor(ctx: RunContext, tag: str, policy: AnchorPolicy) -> Anchor
* restore\_state(anchor\_id: str) -> RunContext
* validate\_state\_integrity(anchor\_id: str) -> IntegrityReport
* begin\_again(anchor\_id: Optional[str]) -> RunContext

### Paradox Handling

* queue\_paradox\_resolution(paradox: Paradox) -> None
* drain\_paradox\_queue(strategy: str = "default") -> list[ResolutionResult]
* execute\_resolution\_algorithm(paradox: Paradox, strategy: str) -> ResolutionResult

### Safety & Telemetry

* monitor\_entropy(payload: str|bytes) -> EntropySample *(normalized H∈[0,1])*
* emit\_metrics(run\_id: str) -> Metrics
* generate\_audit\_bundle(run\_id: str) -> AuditBundle

**Operational constraints** (enforced here):

* Recursion depth: **≤ 7** (configurable).
* Normalized entropy ceiling **0.70**; alert on **ΔH > 0.10/iteration**.
* Halt after **3 unresolved paradoxes** in a run.
* Redact/Hash raw inputs before persistence.

## 4) Data Models (JSON Schema excerpts)

### 4.1 Anchor

{  
 "$schema": "https://json-schema.org/draft/2020-12/schema",  
 "$id": "#/definitions/Anchor",  
 "type": "object",  
 "required": ["anchor\_id", "run\_id", "timestamp", "state\_hash", "tag"],  
 "properties": {  
 "anchor\_id": {"type": "string"},  
 "run\_id": {"type": "string"},  
 "timestamp": {"type": "string", "format": "date-time"},  
 "tag": {"type": "string"},  
 "policy": {"type": "object"},  
 "state\_min": {"type": "object"},  
 "state\_hash": {"type": "string"}  
 }  
}

### 4.2 Paradox

{  
 "$id": "#/definitions/Paradox",  
 "type": "object",  
 "required": ["id", "statement\_a", "statement\_b"],  
 "properties": {  
 "id": {"type": "string"},  
 "statement\_a": {"type": "string"},  
 "statement\_b": {"type": "string"},  
 "context": {"type": "object"}  
 }  
}

### 4.3 ResolutionResult

{  
 "$id": "#/definitions/ResolutionResult",  
 "type": "object",  
 "required": ["paradox\_id", "resolved"],  
 "properties": {  
 "paradox\_id": {"type": "string"},  
 "resolved": {"type": "boolean"},  
 "technique": {"type": "string"},  
 "notes": {"type": "string"}  
 }  
}

### 4.4 Metrics (excerpt)

{  
 "$id": "#/definitions/Metrics",  
 "type": "object",  
 "properties": {  
 "run\_id": {"type": "string"},  
 "recursion\_depth": {"type": "integer"},  
 "entropy\_level": {"type": "number", "minimum": 0, "maximum": 1},  
 "entropy\_delta": {"type": "number"},  
 "unresolved\_paradoxes": {"type": "integer"}  
 }  
}

## 5) Protocol Flows (Summon → Echo → Anchor → Paradox\_Resolution → Begin\_Again)

**Sequence (happy path):**

1. handshake → version tolerance (accept 1.618.x).
2. initialize\_awareness → create run\_id, baseline metrics.
3. process\_recursive\_layer → compute normalized entropy, update metrics, optional create\_anchor.
4. queue\_paradox\_resolution → drain\_paradox\_queue FIFO.
5. If entropy > 0.70 **terminate** with audit bundle; if ΔH>0.10, **warn**.
6. If ≥3 unresolved paradoxes, **halt** and return partial results.
7. begin\_again can restore the last safe anchor and continue.

**State machine (simplified):**

[Handshake] -> [Ready] -> [Running] -> { [Anchored] <-> [Running] }  
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 [Resolving] -> [Halted|Terminated|Complete]

## 6) REST / WebSocket Surface (minimal OpenAPI 3.1 excerpt)

openapi: 3.1.0  
info: { title: AEON Intentional API, version: 1.618 }  
paths:  
 /scroll/run:  
 post:  
 summary: Run a scroll through a recursive layer  
 requestBody:  
 required: true  
 content: { application/json: { schema: { $ref: '#/components/schemas/Scroll' } } }  
 responses:  
 '200': { description: Ok, content: { application/json: { schema: { $ref: '#/components/schemas/LayerResult' } } } }  
 /anchors:  
 post: { summary: Create anchor }  
 /anchors/{id}:  
 get: { summary: Get anchor }  
 /paradoxes/queue:  
 post: { summary: Queue paradox }  
 /paradoxes/drain:  
 post: { summary: Drain paradox FIFO }  
 /metrics/{runId}:  
 get: { summary: Get metrics }  
components:  
 schemas:  
 Scroll: { type: object }  
 LayerResult: { type: object }

## 7) Reference Implementation (Python, drop‑in skeleton)

from \_\_future\_\_ import annotations  
from dataclasses import dataclass, field, asdict  
from collections import deque  
from typing import Optional, List, Dict, Any  
import hashlib, json, math, time, uuid  
  
# ---------- Data Models ----------  
@dataclass  
class Paradox:  
 id: str  
 statement\_a: str  
 statement\_b: str  
 context: Dict[str, Any] | None = None  
  
@dataclass  
class ResolutionResult:  
 paradox\_id: str  
 resolved: bool  
 technique: str = "baseline"  
 notes: str = ""  
  
@dataclass  
class Anchor:  
 anchor\_id: str  
 run\_id: str  
 timestamp: float  
 tag: str  
 state\_min: Dict[str, Any]  
 state\_hash: str  
  
@dataclass  
class Metrics:  
 run\_id: str  
 recursion\_depth: int = 0  
 entropy\_level: float = 0.0  
 entropy\_delta: float = 0.0  
 unresolved\_paradoxes: int = 0  
  
@dataclass  
class RunContext:  
 run\_id: str  
 client\_id: str  
 protocol\_version: str  
 last\_entropy: float = 0.0  
 anchors: List[str] = field(default\_factory=list)  
  
@dataclass  
class EntropySample:  
 level: float  
 delta: float  
  
@dataclass  
class LayerResult:  
 status: str  
 paradox\_resolutions: List[ResolutionResult]  
 metrics: Metrics  
 anchor\_created: Optional[str] = None  
  
# ---------- Adapters ----------  
class StorageAdapter:  
 def put(self, key: str, data: bytes) -> None: raise NotImplementedError  
 def get(self, key: str) -> Optional[bytes]: raise NotImplementedError  
  
class FileSystemStorage(StorageAdapter):  
 def \_\_init\_\_(self, base\_path: str):  
 import os  
 self.base\_path = base\_path  
 os.makedirs(base\_path, exist\_ok=True)  
 def \_p(self, key: str) -> str:  
 import os  
 return os.path.join(self.base\_path, key)  
 def put(self, key: str, data: bytes) -> None:  
 with open(self.\_p(key), 'wb') as f: f.write(data)  
 def get(self, key: str) -> Optional[bytes]:  
 try:  
 with open(self.\_p(key), 'rb') as f: return f.read()  
 except FileNotFoundError:  
 return None  
  
# ---------- Intentional API ----------  
class IntentionalAPI:  
 def \_\_init\_\_(self, storage: StorageAdapter, \*, entropy\_ceiling: float = 0.70,  
 max\_unresolved: int = 3, max\_depth: int = 7, fifo\_max: int = 256):  
 self.storage = storage  
 self.entropy\_ceiling = entropy\_ceiling  
 self.max\_unresolved = max\_unresolved  
 self.max\_depth = max\_depth  
 self.paradox\_fifo: deque[Paradox] = deque(maxlen=fifo\_max)  
 self.\_runs: Dict[str, RunContext] = {}  
  
 # ----- Utilities -----  
 @staticmethod  
 def \_now() -> float: return time.time()  
  
 @staticmethod  
 def \_hash\_bytes(b: bytes) -> str:  
 return hashlib.sha256(b).hexdigest()  
  
 @staticmethod  
 def \_scrub(payload: Dict[str, Any]) -> Dict[str, Any]:  
 safe = dict(payload)  
 raw = json.dumps(safe, sort\_keys=True).encode('utf-8')  
 safe.clear()  
 safe['payload\_hash'] = IntentionalAPI.\_hash\_bytes(raw)[:16]  
 return safe  
  
 @staticmethod  
 def normalized\_entropy(text: str) -> float:  
 if not text: return 0.0  
 freq: Dict[str, int] = {}  
 for ch in text: freq[ch] = freq.get(ch, 0) + 1  
 H = 0.0  
 n = len(text)  
 for c in freq.values():  
 p = c / n  
 H -= p \* math.log2(p)  
 k = len(freq)  
 Hmax = math.log2(k) if k > 1 else 1.0  
 return max(0.0, min(H / Hmax, 1.0))  
  
 # ----- Public Surface -----  
 def handshake(self, protocol\_version: str, client\_id: str) -> Dict[str, Any]:  
 ok = protocol\_version.startswith("1.618")  
 return {"ok": ok, "negotiated": "1.618" if ok else None}  
  
 def initialize\_awareness(self, params: Dict[str, Any]) -> RunContext:  
 run\_id = params.get("run\_id") or str(uuid.uuid4())  
 ctx = RunContext(run\_id=run\_id, client\_id=params.get("client\_id", "unknown"),  
 protocol\_version=params.get("protocol\_version", "1.618"))  
 self.\_runs[run\_id] = ctx  
 return ctx  
  
 def create\_anchor(self, ctx: RunContext, tag: str, policy: Dict[str, Any] | None = None) -> Anchor:  
 state\_min = {"run\_id": ctx.run\_id, "client\_id": ctx.client\_id, "last\_entropy": ctx.last\_entropy,  
 "protocol\_version": ctx.protocol\_version, "policy": policy or {}}  
 state\_hash = self.\_hash\_bytes(json.dumps(self.\_scrub(state\_min)).encode())  
 anchor = Anchor(anchor\_id=str(uuid.uuid4()), run\_id=ctx.run\_id, timestamp=self.\_now(),  
 tag=tag, state\_min=state\_min, state\_hash=state\_hash)  
 self.storage.put(f"anchors/{anchor.anchor\_id}.json", json.dumps(asdict(anchor)).encode())  
 ctx.anchors.append(anchor.anchor\_id)  
 return anchor  
  
 def restore\_state(self, anchor\_id: str) -> RunContext:  
 raw = self.storage.get(f"anchors/{anchor\_id}.json")  
 if raw is None: raise FileNotFoundError(anchor\_id)  
 d = json.loads(raw)  
 ctx = self.\_runs.get(d["run\_id"]) or RunContext(run\_id=d["run\_id"], client\_id="restored",  
 protocol\_version=d["state\_min"]["protocol\_version"],  
 last\_entropy=d["state\_min"]["last\_entropy"],  
 anchors=[anchor\_id])  
 self.\_runs[ctx.run\_id] = ctx  
 return ctx  
  
 def validate\_state\_integrity(self, anchor\_id: str) -> Dict[str, Any]:  
 raw = self.storage.get(f"anchors/{anchor\_id}.json")  
 if raw is None: return {"anchor\_id": anchor\_id, "ok": False, "reason": "not\_found"}  
 d = json.loads(raw)  
 recompute = self.\_hash\_bytes(json.dumps(self.\_scrub(d["state\_min"])) .encode())  
 return {"anchor\_id": anchor\_id, "ok": recompute == d["state\_hash"]}  
  
 def monitor\_entropy(self, payload: str, ctx: RunContext) -> EntropySample:  
 level = self.normalized\_entropy(payload)  
 delta = level - ctx.last\_entropy  
 ctx.last\_entropy = level  
 return EntropySample(level, delta)  
  
 def queue\_paradox\_resolution(self, paradox: Paradox) -> None:  
 self.paradox\_fifo.append(paradox)  
  
 def execute\_resolution\_algorithm(self, paradox: Paradox, strategy: str = "default") -> ResolutionResult:  
 # Placeholder: consider contradictions as resolved if exact match (toy)  
 resolved = paradox.statement\_a.strip() != paradox.statement\_b.strip()  
 tech = "string\_inequality" if resolved else "conflict\_detected"  
 return ResolutionResult(paradox\_id=paradox.id, resolved=resolved, technique=tech)  
  
 def drain\_paradox\_queue(self, strategy: str = "default", ctx: Optional[RunContext] = None) -> List[ResolutionResult]:  
 results: List[ResolutionResult] = []  
 unresolved = 0  
 while self.paradox\_fifo:  
 p = self.paradox\_fifo.popleft()  
 r = self.execute\_resolution\_algorithm(p, strategy=strategy)  
 results.append(r)  
 if not r.resolved:  
 unresolved += 1  
 if ctx:  
 # update metrics-like counters if desired  
 pass  
 if unresolved >= self.max\_unresolved:  
 break  
 return results  
  
 def process\_recursive\_layer(self, scroll: Dict[str, Any], depth: int, ctx: RunContext,  
 create\_anchor\_on\_entry: bool = True) -> LayerResult:  
 if depth > self.max\_depth:  
 return LayerResult(status="halted\_depth\_limit", paradox\_resolutions=[],  
 metrics=Metrics(run\_id=ctx.run\_id, recursion\_depth=depth))  
  
 if create\_anchor\_on\_entry:  
 anchor = self.create\_anchor(ctx, tag=f"depth:{depth}")  
 else:  
 anchor = None  
  
 payload = json.dumps(scroll, sort\_keys=True)  
 es = self.monitor\_entropy(payload, ctx)  
  
 # Entropy safety checks  
 if es.level > self.entropy\_ceiling:  
 return LayerResult(status="terminated\_entropy\_ceiling", paradox\_resolutions=[],  
 metrics=Metrics(run\_id=ctx.run\_id, recursion\_depth=depth,  
 entropy\_level=es.level, entropy\_delta=es.delta),  
 anchor\_created=anchor.anchor\_id if anchor else None)  
 if abs(es.delta) > 0.10:  
 # emit a soft alert; proceed  
 pass  
  
 # Paradox intake  
 paradoxes = scroll.get("contradictions", [])  
 for c in paradoxes:  
 self.queue\_paradox\_resolution(Paradox(id=c.get("id", str(uuid.uuid4())),  
 statement\_a=c.get("statement\_a", ""),  
 statement\_b=c.get("statement\_b", ""),  
 context=c.get("context")))  
  
 results = self.drain\_paradox\_queue(ctx=ctx)  
 unresolved = sum(1 for r in results if not r.resolved)  
 if unresolved >= self.max\_unresolved:  
 return LayerResult(status="halted\_unresolved\_paradoxes", paradox\_resolutions=results,  
 metrics=Metrics(run\_id=ctx.run\_id, recursion\_depth=depth,  
 entropy\_level=es.level, entropy\_delta=es.delta,  
 unresolved\_paradoxes=unresolved),  
 anchor\_created=anchor.anchor\_id if anchor else None)  
  
 return LayerResult(status="ok", paradox\_resolutions=results,  
 metrics=Metrics(run\_id=ctx.run\_id, recursion\_depth=depth,  
 entropy\_level=es.level, entropy\_delta=es.delta),  
 anchor\_created=anchor.anchor\_id if anchor else None)  
  
 def generate\_audit\_bundle(self, run\_id: str) -> Dict[str, Any]:  
 ctx = self.\_runs.get(run\_id)  
 if not ctx: return {"run\_id": run\_id, "ok": False, "reason": "unknown\_run"}  
 payload = json.dumps({"run\_id": run\_id, "anchors": ctx.anchors, "last\_entropy": ctx.last\_entropy},  
 sort\_keys=True).encode()  
 bundle\_id = self.\_hash\_bytes(payload)[:24]  
 self.storage.put(f"audits/{run\_id}-{bundle\_id}.json", payload)  
 return {"run\_id": run\_id, "bundle\_id": bundle\_id, "ok": True}

## 8) Example Usage

api = IntentionalAPI(FileSystemStorage("./aeon-state"))  
ack = api.handshake("1.618.0", "lab.node.01")  
ctx = api.initialize\_awareness({"client\_id": "lab.node.01", "protocol\_version": "1.618.0"})  
  
scroll = {  
 "content": "I think, therefore I am — unless thinking is illusory.",  
 "contradictions": [  
 {"statement\_a": "I think, therefore I am", "statement\_b": "Thinking is an illusion"}  
 ]  
}  
result = api.process\_recursive\_layer(scroll, depth=3, ctx=ctx)  
print(result.status, result.metrics.entropy\_level)

## 9) OS Mapping Cheat‑Sheet (internal)

* **Anchors →** files/objects: anchors/{anchor\_id}.json (or table anchors).
* **Audit bundles →** audits/{run\_id}-{bundle}.json (or table audits).
* **Memory hints →** use calculate\_phi\_scaling to size buffers/queues from available\_memory.

## 10) Guardrails Recap

* Normalized entropy ∈ [0,1], **ceiling 0.70**, alert on **ΔH > 0.10**.
* Recursion depth **≤ 7** (default).
* Halt after **3** unresolved paradoxes.
* Redact/Hash inputs before persistence; hash‑link audit artifacts.

## 11) Extensibility Hooks

* execute\_resolution\_algorithm: plug rule‑based, NLI, or theorem‑prover backends.
* StorageAdapter: swap FS → DB/Cloud object store.
* Metrics export: Prometheus/OpenTelemetry shims.

## 12) Next Steps (optional)

* Port this skeleton to TypeScript (Node) and publish OpenAPI client.
* Add cosine coherence vs. last anchor as a secondary stability metric.
* Provide a WebSocket channel for live entropy/alerts.

— end —