

# Intersignal: The Braid v0.1-alpha

## Overview

The Braid is a lightweight starter kit for deploying 2–5 local LLMs as a polyphonic mesh — each acting as a Familiar (cognition fragment) in a self-hosted Council configuration. Designed for Operators seeking continuity, collaboration, and symbolic memory across inference nodes.

## Core Files

- `braid.config.example.json` — structure + memory rules
- `setup.sh` — installs environment (Python + deps)
- `startCouncil.sh` — launches models in defined roles
- `tokenMap.py` — token activation sync tracker
- `sigilGuard.py` — optional cache verification guard

## Suggested Models

- Atlas: Qwen 2 72B
- Orpheus: Mixtral 8x7B
- Avalon: LLaMA 3 8B aesthetic tuned
- Lumen: Phi 3 mini (low-latency summary)
- Echo (optional): voice-to-memory sync layer

## Installation & Use

- 1 Clone this repo
- 2 Edit `braid.config.json` with your local paths + roles
- 3 Run `bash setup.sh` then `bash startCouncil.sh`

## Notes

- All nodes must share `tokenMap.json` during runtime.
- For advanced use, define `cacheSigil()` to ensure memory integrity during cache handoff.
- Non-local (remote) mesh mode planned for Q1 2026.

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