

# OCTA Hyperknot Algebra and Execution Semantics

A Rigorous Object-Based Topological Computation Framework  
(with Worked Examples, Diagrams, and Operational Pseudocode)

OCTA Research Stack

December 21, 2025

## Contents

<b>1</b>	<b>Foundational Postulate</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Configuration Space and Hyperknot Objects</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Invariant Stack and Identity</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Projection and Shadow Observables (Shadow Math)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Events: The Only Computation Steps</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Fusion and Fission Operators</b>	<b>4</b>
6.1	Fusion . . . . .	4
6.2	Fission . . . . .	5
<b>7</b>	<b>Braiding and Non-Commutativity</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Stability, Metastability, and Failure Modes</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Category-Theoretic Formulation</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>EXECUTION SEMANTICS (Operational Model)</b>	<b>6</b>
10.1	State Representation . . . . .	6
10.2	Event Scheduling . . . . .	7
10.3	Operational Transition Rules . . . . .	7
10.4	Executable Pseudocode Semantics . . . . .	7
<b>11</b>	<b>WORKED FORMAL EXAMPLES</b>	<b>8</b>
11.1	Example Model of the Invariant Stack . . . . .	8
11.2	Example 1: Valid Fusion with Phase Window . . . . .	8

11.3 Example 2: Failed Fusion and Metastable Constraint . . . . .	9
11.4 Example 3: Controlled Fission by Binding-Cut Selection . . . . .	9
11.5 Example 4: Braid-Induced Phase Shift (Order Matters) . . . . .	10
<b>12 DIAGRAM APPENDIX (TikZ Figures)</b>	<b>10</b>
12.1 Figure A: Hyperknot as Field-Class with Shadow Projection . . . . .	10
12.2 Figure B: Fusion and Fission as Graph Rewrites . . . . .	10
12.3 Figure C: Event-Driven Execution Loop . . . . .	11
<b>13 Scientific Rigor: Claims, Scope, and Testability</b>	<b>11</b>
13.1 What Is Formally Claimed Here . . . . .	11
13.2 What Is Not Claimed . . . . .	11
13.3 Experimental / Engineering Validation Targets . . . . .	12
<b>14 Conclusion</b>	<b>12</b>

# 1 Foundational Postulate

**Axiom 1.1** (OCTA Foundational Postulate). Durable computation is realized as invariant-preserving transformations of structured objects under constrained field evolution.

Classical symbolic instruction execution and continuous numerical approximation are regarded as special-case encodings inside broader invariant dynamics.

## 2 Configuration Space and Hyperknot Objects

Let  $M^3$  denote an observable three-manifold (typically a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with boundary conditions). Let  $X$  denote a configuration manifold (order-parameter space; internal phase manifold; or a composite bundle representing multi-field state).

**Definition 2.1** (Configuration Field). A configuration field is a continuous map

$$\Phi : M^3 \rightarrow X.$$

**Definition 2.2** (Admissible Deformation). An admissible deformation is a homotopy  $\Phi_s$  ( $s \in [0, 1]$ ) such that  $\Phi_s$  remains regular (no singular reconnection events) for all  $s$ .

**Definition 2.3** (Hyperknot). A Hyperknot is an equivalence class

$$H := [\Phi]$$

under admissible deformations of  $\Phi$ .

*Remark 2.1.* The visible “knot” in  $M^3$  is a shadow of the field topology in  $X$ . The Hyperknot object is the equivalence class in configuration space, not a geometric curve in  $M^3$ .

## 3 Invariant Stack and Identity

**Definition 3.1** (Invariant Stack). Each Hyperknot  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  carries an invariant stack

$$\mathcal{Q}(H) = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{\text{top}}(H) \\ Q_{\text{phase}}(H) \\ Q_{\text{ori}}(H) \\ Q_{\text{bind}}(H) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{S} \times \mathcal{O} \times \mathcal{G}.$$

Interpretation of components:

- $Q_{\text{top}} \in \mathbb{Z}$ : integer-valued topological charge (primary identity spine).
- $Q_{\text{phase}} \in \mathbb{S}$ : internal winding/phase class (cyclic; may be multi-component).
- $Q_{\text{ori}} \in \mathcal{O}$ : orientation/chirality/polarity label (finite set or group action).
- $Q_{\text{bind}} \in \mathcal{G}$ : binding graph (hierarchical compositional structure).

**Axiom 3.1** (Invariant Primacy). Hyperknot identity is defined exclusively by  $\mathcal{Q}(H)$ , and two Hyperknots are identical if and only if their invariant stacks match.

**Axiom 3.2** (Conservation Outside Events). During admissible deformations (no events),  $\mathcal{Q}(H)$  is conserved.

## 4 Projection and Shadow Observables (Shadow Math)

**Definition 4.1** (Projection / Shadow Map). A shadow observable is a projection

$$\pi : \Phi \mapsto \text{Obs}(M^3),$$

where  $\text{Obs}(M^3)$  denotes the measurable field image in the observable space.

**Theorem 4.1** (Projection Non-Invertibility and Invariant Persistence). *In general,  $\pi$  is many-to-one (non-invertible). Distinct Hyperknots may share identical shadows; however, admissible evolution cannot change  $\mathcal{Q}(H)$ .*

*Proof.* Non-invertibility follows from the existence of distinct configuration classes mapping to the same measured observables (loss of internal degrees of freedom under projection). Conservation is an axiom of admissible deformation.  $\square$

## 5 Events: The Only Computation Steps

**Definition 5.1** (Event). An event is a localized singular reconnection of  $\Phi$  supported in a compact region  $U \subset M^3$  that changes the binding/geometry of the field while preserving allowable invariant constraints.

We distinguish primitive event types:

- **Fusion** ( $\otimes$ ): two Hyperknots merge into a composite.
- **Fission** ( $\Delta$ ): one Hyperknot decomposes into a pair (or tuple).
- **Braid/Slide** ( $\beta$ ): reorders constituents without changing  $Q_{\text{top}}$ .
- **Neutral pair creation/annihilation** (optional): allowed only if the net identity constraints remain satisfied.

**Axiom 5.1** (Event Locality). All events are local in  $M^3$  (supported on compact regions), even though their invariant impact is global in configuration space.

## 6 Fusion and Fission Operators

### 6.1 Fusion

**Definition 6.1** (Fusion Operator). Fusion is a partial binary operator

$$\otimes : \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H} \rightharpoonup \mathcal{H}$$

defined when compatibility constraints are satisfied.

**Axiom 6.1** (Fusion Charge Law). If  $H_3 = H_1 \otimes H_2$  is defined, then

$$Q_{\text{top}}(H_3) = Q_{\text{top}}(H_1) + Q_{\text{top}}(H_2),$$

and  $Q_{\text{bind}}(H_3)$  records a binding edge between the constituents.

**Definition 6.2** (Compatibility Predicate). Fusion is permitted iff

$$\text{Compat}(H_1, H_2) = \text{true},$$

where  $\text{Compat}$  enforces phase-window constraints on  $Q_{\text{phase}}$  and chirality/polarity constraints on  $Q_{\text{ori}}$ .

*Remark 6.1.* OCTA Hyperknot fusion is intentionally *not* universally defined: illegitimate compositions become metastable or forbidden.

## 6.2 Fission

**Definition 6.3** (Controlled Fission). Controlled fission is a multi-valued map

$$\Delta_{u(t)}(H) \subseteq \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{H}.$$

**Axiom 6.2** (Fission Charge Law). If  $(H_a, H_b) \in \Delta_{u(t)}(H)$ , then

$$\mathcal{Q}(H) = \mathcal{Q}(H_a) + \mathcal{Q}(H_b),$$

interpreted componentwise (with  $Q_{\text{bind}}$  splitting by edge removal).

*Remark 6.2.* Intent  $u(t)$  selects *which binding cut* is enacted, not the numeric values of the conserved charges.

## 7 Braiding and Non-Commutativity

**Definition 7.1** (Braid Operator). A braid operator is a morphism

$$\beta_{12} : H_1 \otimes H_2 \rightarrow H_2 \otimes H_1$$

that preserves  $Q_{\text{top}}$  and transforms  $Q_{\text{phase}}$  by an allowed rule.

**Theorem 7.1** (Non-Commutativity). *In general,*

$$H_1 \otimes H_2 \not\cong H_2 \otimes H_1,$$

*and commutativity holds only up to the existence of a braid morphism  $\beta$ .*

*Proof.* If  $Q_{\text{phase}}$  and  $Q_{\text{bind}}$  encode ordering-dependent structure, then swapping constituents changes those components unless a braid morphism exists that accounts for the induced phase/binding transformation while preserving identity constraints.  $\square$

## 8 Stability, Metastability, and Failure Modes

**Definition 8.1** (Stability Class). A Hyperknot  $H$  has stability class  $\sigma(H) \in \{\text{stable}, \text{metastable}, \text{unstable}\}$ .

**Definition 8.2** (Stable Hyperknot).  $H$  is stable if no admissible event sequence reduces its invariants or violates constraints under small perturbations.

**Definition 8.3** (Metastable Hyperknot).  $H$  is metastable if  $Q_{\text{top}}$  is protected but secondary constraints (phase/orientation/binding) are frustrated, permitting relaxation events that preserve  $Q_{\text{top}}$ .

**Definition 8.4** (Unstable / Forbidden).  $H$  is unstable if it cannot persist under admissible evolution and will necessarily decay to another class (or is not physically realizable under the substrate constraints).

*Remark 8.1.* Failure in OCTA Hyperknot computation is not state-corruption; it is reconfiguration constrained by preserved identity.

## 9 Category-Theoretic Formulation

**Definition 9.1** (Hyperknot Category **HK**). Define a category **HK** with:

- objects: Hyperknots  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ ,
- morphisms: admissible event sequences (including identity morphisms),
- monoidal product: fusion  $\otimes$  (partial, implemented as a subcategory of compatible pairs),
- unit object: vacuum  $\mathbb{K}$  with  $Q(\mathbb{K}) = 0$ .

**Axiom 9.1** (Monoidal Laws up to Equivalence). Associativity and unit laws hold up to admissible equivalence:

$$(H_1 \otimes H_2) \otimes H_3 \cong H_1 \otimes (H_2 \otimes H_3), \quad H \otimes \mathbb{K} \cong H \cong \mathbb{K} \otimes H.$$

**Theorem 9.1** (Braided Monoidal Structure). *Under the braid morphisms  $\beta$ , **HK** is a braided monoidal category (restricted to the compatible-pairs domain).*

*Proof.* By construction: monoidal product is fusion with coherence maps given by admissible equivalences; braid morphisms satisfy the required coherence (hexagon) relations as identities in the event-sequence quotient.  $\square$

## 10 EXECUTION SEMANTICS (Operational Model)

### 10.1 State Representation

A system state is a multiset of Hyperknots with an interaction graph.

**Definition 10.1** (System State). A state is

$$S = (V, E, \{Q(H_v)\}_{v \in V}),$$

where  $V$  indexes present Hyperknots,  $E$  encodes admissible interaction adjacency, and each node carries invariant stack  $Q$ .

## 10.2 Event Scheduling

**Definition 10.2** (Event Guard). An event is enabled if all invariant guards and compatibility predicates are satisfied.

**Definition 10.3** (Local Energy / Cost Functional (Substrate-Dependent)). Let  $\mathcal{E}(S)$  be a substrate-dependent functional that ranks admissible moves without overriding invariants.

**Axiom 10.1** (Invariant-First Dynamics). Dynamics may minimize  $\mathcal{E}$  subject to invariant constraints; invariants are never traded for energy improvement.

## 10.3 Operational Transition Rules

We define transitions  $S \rightarrow S'$  via local rewrite rules:

- **Fusion:** choose nodes  $i, j$  with  $\text{Compat}(H_i, H_j)$  true; replace them with  $k$  where  $H_k = H_i \otimes H_j$  and update binding graph.
- **Fission:** choose node  $i$  and a cut selected by  $u(t)$ ; replace  $H_i$  by  $(H_a, H_b) \in \Delta_{u(t)}(H_i)$  and update binding graph.
- **Braid/Slide:** apply  $\beta$  to reorder constituents in a compatible composite.

## 10.4 Executable Pseudocode Semantics

---

**Algorithm 1** OCTA Hyperknot Execution (Invariant-Guarded Event Dynamics)

---

```

1: Input: initial state  $S_0$ , intent/control schedule  $u(t)$ , step budget  $T$ 
2:  $S \leftarrow S_0$ 
3: for  $t = 1$  to  $T$  do
4:    $\mathcal{M} \leftarrow \emptyset$  ▷ candidate moves
5:   Add all enabled fission moves to  $\mathcal{M}$  using  $\Delta_{u(t)}(H)$  and event guards
6:   Add all enabled fusion moves to  $\mathcal{M}$  where  $\text{Compat}(H_i, H_j)$  holds
7:   Add all enabled braid/slide moves to  $\mathcal{M}$ 
8:   if  $\mathcal{M} = \emptyset$  then
9:     break ▷ no admissible events: reached stable fixed point
10:  end if
11:  Choose  $m^* \in \mathcal{M}$  minimizing  $\mathcal{E}$  (or by stochastic rule) ▷ substrate-dependent
12:  Apply  $m^*$  to obtain  $S \leftarrow \text{Apply}(S, m^*)$ 
13:  assert invariants conserved (componentwise) across the move
14: end for
15: Output: final state  $S$ 

```

---

**Theorem 10.1** (Termination to Local Fixed Points). *Under finite state constraints and an energy functional  $\mathcal{E}$  bounded below, the above dynamics reaches a local fixed point (no enabled moves) or cycles within an invariant-preserving equivalence class.*

*Remark 10.1.* OCTA computation is thus an event-driven relaxation process in a constrained rewrite system; there is no instruction pointer and no global clock requirement.

## 11 WORKED FORMAL EXAMPLES

This section provides explicit, checkable examples using a minimal algebraic model of  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

### 11.1 Example Model of the Invariant Stack

For worked examples, let

$$\mathcal{Q}(H) = (q, \theta, o, G),$$

where:

- $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  is topological charge,
- $\theta \in \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$  is phase,
- $o \in \{+, -\}$  is orientation,
- $G$  is a rooted binding tree encoding composition.

Define componentwise addition:

$$(q_1, \theta_1, o_1, G_1) + (q_2, \theta_2, o_2, G_2) = (q_1 + q_2, \theta_1 + \theta_2 \pmod{2\pi}, o_1 \cdot o_2, G_1 \cup G_2).$$

This is a *model* of conservation, not a claim about any specific substrate.

### 11.2 Example 1: Valid Fusion with Phase Window

Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  have:

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_1) = (1, 0.2, +, \bullet_1), \quad \mathcal{Q}(H_2) = (2, 0.1, +, \bullet_2).$$

Define compatibility:

$$\text{Compat}(H_1, H_2) \iff |\theta_1 - \theta_2| \leq \delta \quad \text{and} \quad o_1 = o_2,$$

with  $\delta = 0.2$ .

Then  $|0.2 - 0.1| = 0.1 \leq 0.2$  and orientations match, hence fusion is enabled:

$$H_3 = H_1 \otimes H_2,$$

and

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_3) = \mathcal{Q}(H_1) + \mathcal{Q}(H_2) = (3, 0.3, +, (\bullet_1 \otimes \bullet_2)).$$

**Example 11.1.** This is a fully checkable case where fusion exists and conserves topological charge.



### 11.3 Example 2: Failed Fusion and Metastable Constraint

Let

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_1) = (1, 0.0, +, \bullet_1), \quad \mathcal{Q}(H_2) = (1, 1.2, +, \bullet_2),$$

with the same  $\delta = 0.2$ . Then  $\text{Compat}(H_1, H_2)$  fails. Two outcomes are possible:

- Fusion is undefined (forbidden).
- A metastable composite  $H^*$  forms but immediately admits a relaxation fission that restores separated objects while preserving  $q$ .

**Example 11.2.** This formalizes the OCTA principle: illegal compositions do not corrupt identity; they induce constrained reconfiguration.

### 11.4 Example 3: Controlled Fission by Binding-Cut Selection

Consider a composite Hyperknot  $H$  with binding tree

$$G = ((\bullet_a \otimes \bullet_b) \otimes \bullet_c).$$

Suppose

$$\mathcal{Q}(H) = (3, \theta, +, G).$$

A control schedule  $u(t)$  selects a cut. Two admissible cuts:

- Cut the last edge:  $((a \otimes b) \otimes c) \mapsto (a \otimes b, c)$
- Cut the first edge:  $((a \otimes b) \otimes c) \mapsto (a, b \otimes c)$

Under the first cut,

$$(H_{ab}, H_c) \in \Delta_{u(t)}(H),$$

with

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_{ab}) = (2, \theta_{ab}, +, (\bullet_a \otimes \bullet_b)), \quad \mathcal{Q}(H_c) = (1, \theta_c, +, \bullet_c),$$

and conservation yields

$$(3, \theta, +, G) = (2, \theta_{ab}, +, \cdot) + (1, \theta_c, +, \cdot)$$

componentwise, with phase conservation modulo  $2\pi$ .

**Example 11.3.** Intent selects the *structural cut*. Charges follow conservation; intent does not “choose” the output charges.

## 11.5 Example 4: Braid-Induced Phase Shift (Order Matters)

Let  $H_1, H_2$  be compatible. Define braid action:

$$\beta_{12} : H_1 \otimes H_2 \rightarrow H_2 \otimes H_1, \quad \theta \mapsto \theta + \varphi,$$

for some allowed  $\varphi$  (substrate-dependent).

Then

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_1 \otimes H_2) = (q_1 + q_2, \theta_1 + \theta_2, +, G)$$

while

$$\mathcal{Q}(H_2 \otimes H_1) = (q_2 + q_1, \theta_2 + \theta_1 + \varphi, +, G').$$

Thus the order swap is not identity unless  $\varphi \equiv 0 \pmod{2\pi}$  and binding graphs are equivalent under admissible rewrites.

**Example 11.4.** This provides a concrete mechanism for logic beyond integer arithmetic: braid-induced phase shifts.

## 12 DIAGRAM APPENDIX (TikZ Figures)

### 12.1 Figure A: Hyperknot as Field-Class with Shadow Projection

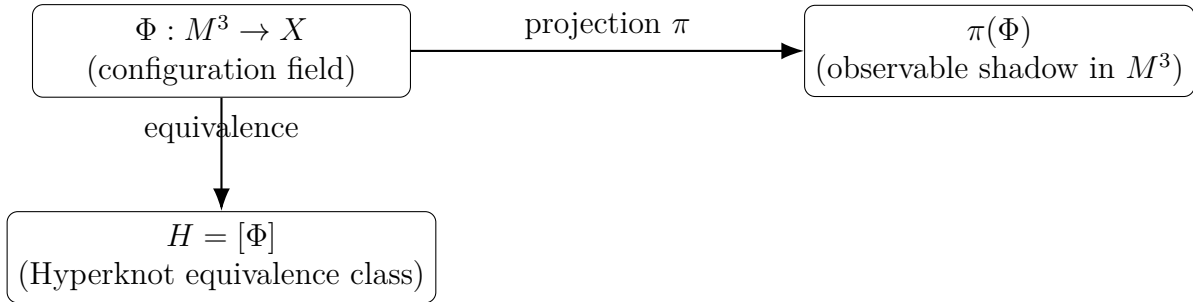


Figure 1: Hyperknot object is the field equivalence class; the visible knot is a shadow.

### 12.2 Figure B: Fusion and Fission as Graph Rewrites

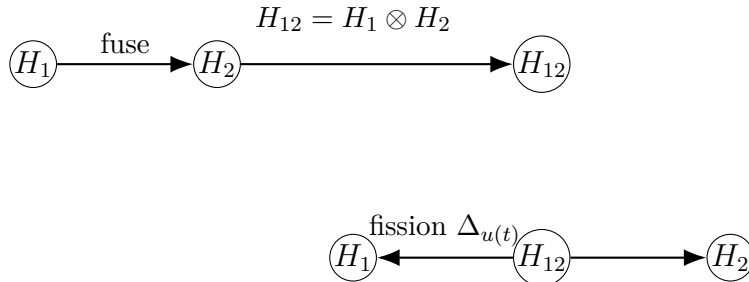


Figure 2: Fusion binds two Hyperknots into a composite; fission splits a composite under intent-selected cuts.

## 12.3 Figure C: Event-Driven Execution Loop

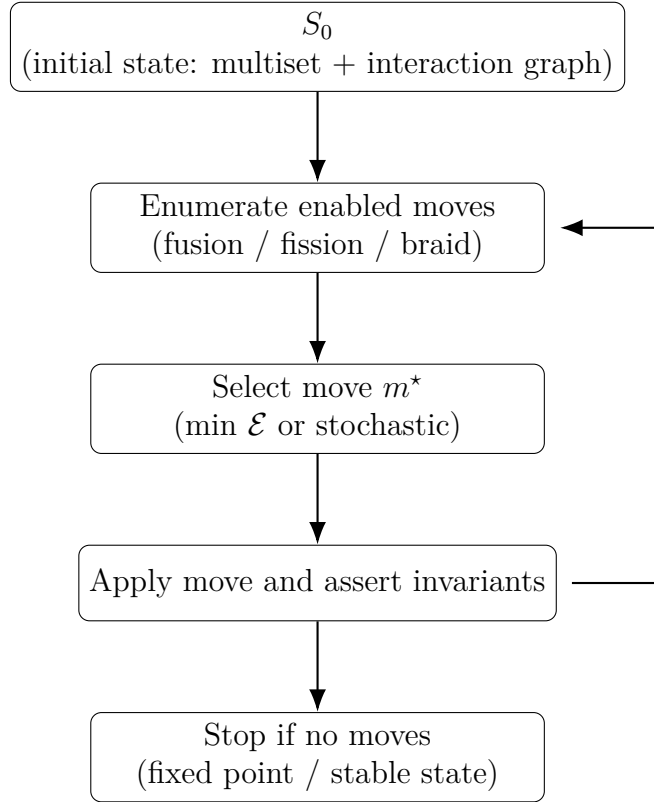


Figure 3: Operational semantics: event enumeration, guarded selection, invariant-preserving updates, termination at fixed points.

## 13 Scientific Rigor: Claims, Scope, and Testability

### 13.1 What Is Formally Claimed Here

This monograph claims:

- A closed algebraic and categorical specification of Hyperknot objects and event operators.
- A guarded operational semantics for computation by event-driven invariant dynamics.
- A set of falsifiable predictions: if a substrate cannot preserve invariants under local events, it cannot realize Hyperknot computation.

### 13.2 What Is Not Claimed

This monograph does not claim:

- That a particular physical substrate has been fully engineered.

- That Hyperknot computation solves arbitrary complexity classes without substrate constraints.
- That all invariants are realizable in all media.

### 13.3 Experimental / Engineering Validation Targets

Minimal validation:

1. Identify a substrate with a measurable  $Q_{\text{top}}$  invariant.
2. Demonstrate repeatable fusion/fission events with invariant conservation.
3. Demonstrate braid-induced secondary invariant modulation.
4. Build a pulse protocol  $u(t)$  that selects fission channels.
5. Establish readout  $\pi(\Phi)$  with stable classification by  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

## 14 Conclusion

The OCTA Hyperknot System defines computation as:

*a constrained rewrite dynamics over invariant-bearing objects, executed via localized events and controlled by boundary selection rather than symbolic instruction.*

It is formally specified at:

- object level (Hyperknots)
- identity level (invariant stack)
- operator level (fusion/fission/braid)
- semantic level (operational execution)
- structural level (braided monoidal category)