

# Epistemic Closure Nets

## Curvature, Holonomy, Certification, and Meta-Closure in an Expansive Network Formalism

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### Abstract

This work unifies the SCE-IM closure framework—windowed semantics, curvature gaps, zipper signatures, and stability—with the *Notas Perdurables* kernel: internal certification, theory atlases, holonomy obstructions, and meta-closure towers. The unification is *network-expansive*: a typed diagram of nodes (syntax, semantics, certificates, resources, refinements, and experimental harnesses) connected by morphisms and compatibility constraints. Claims are tagged by evidence type; non-closures are isolated as explicit conjectures; experimental nodes are specified with auditable estimators, uncertainty quantification, and pre-registered falsification patterns.

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# 1 Scope, contribution summary, and falsification discipline

## 1.1 Scope

This manuscript is *not* a completeness theorem for scientific knowledge. Its objective is an auditable *specification layer* that (i) separates soundness from completeness, (ii) makes finite-resource effects measurable, and (iii) isolates *non-closures* as typed obstructions.

## 1.2 Auditability rules

- (A1) **Finite probes for ideal objects.** Every ideal object is paired with finite windows/banks used for certification.
- (A2) **Explicit quantifiers.** Every existential/universal claim fixes its domain (windows, banks, templates, or protocols).
- (A3) **Evidence typing.** Each claim is tagged [Proved], [Model], or [Conjecture].
- (A4) **Error bars.** Every numerical or statistical claim comes with an auditable uncertainty contract.
- (A5) **Pre-registered falsification.** For any empirical test node, the net (nodes/edges and decision rules) is frozen *before* sampling. Network expansion is allowed only as a *separate* post-mortem branch, never as a way to rescue a failed prediction.

### 1.3 Main contributions (within this paper)

- (C1) A typed *closure net* connecting internal certification, windowed semantics, and refinement dynamics.
- (C2) A clean separation between *index-trivial* holonomy and *program-level* (history-dependent) holonomy.
- (C3) An atlas-groupoid layer whose triple-overlap cocycles obstruct global trivialization of predictions.
- (C4) A finite-bank *transfer theorem* derived from explicit continuity moduli and covering-number control (with empirical estimators for both).
- (C5) A suite of verifiable experimental nodes with auditable Monte Carlo estimators and pre-registered tests.
- (C6) A minimal public-style *artifact node* proof-of-concept (Section 9.7.2) exhibiting the diagnostic regime  $\widehat{G} \rightarrow 0$  while  $\widehat{\Delta}_{\odot} \not\rightarrow 0$  under a controlled hidden-state  $\xi$ .

## 2 Definiciones (nodos y enlaces)

### 2.1 Contrato de evidencia

**Definition 2.1** (Evidence tags). *Statements are typed as*

$$[\text{Proved}], \quad [\text{Model}], \quad [\text{Conjecture}],$$

and the tag is part of the type system of the manuscript: it adds no content, but fixes what kind of audit (proof, model contract, or open problem) is being asserted. Unless explicitly stated otherwise, [Proved] means derivable from the axioms in Section 3 relative to standard metatheory (e.g. ZFC).

*Remark 2.1* (Terminology: “curvature” and “holonomy”). In this paper, *curvature* means an *operational gap* (an infimum of an error functional under explicit resources), not Riemannian sectional curvature. Similarly, *holonomy* is used in the minimal sense of *path dependence under typed refinements* (protocol holonomy) or *triple-overlap cocycles* (atlas holonomy). Whenever a genuinely geometric structure (group action / cocycle class / conjugacy invariance) is present, it is stated explicitly.

### 2.2 Kernel de Notas Perdurables (cierre + capa de certificación)

**Definition 2.2** (Closed epistemic kernel). *A Notas-kernel at resource  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  is the tuple*

$$K_r = (X, \sim, \mathcal{O}_r, F, \Sigma^*, \text{supp}, \text{Cert}_r, J_r),$$

where  $X \neq \emptyset$ ,  $F : X \rightarrow X$  is evolution/refinement,  $\sim$  is gauge equivalence on  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_r$  is a family of observables  $o : X \rightarrow Y_o$  factoring through  $X/\sim$ ,  $\Sigma^*$  is a token space,  $\text{supp} : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Sigma^*)$  is available-token support,  $\text{Cert}_r : X \times \Sigma^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is internal certification, and  $J_r : \Sigma^* \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  is a partial semantics (soundness only).

**Definition 2.3** (Accessible observations). *For  $x \in X$ , define*

$$\text{Obs}_r(x) := \{(o, o(x)) : o \in \mathcal{O}_r\}.$$

**Definition 2.4** (Meta-cine (certificate layer)). *The pair  $(\text{supp}, \text{Cert}_r)$  is the capa de certificación layer: it produces and validates tokens. No completeness is assumed.*

## 2.3 SCE-IM / Epistemic Closure System with Metric Interface

**Definition 2.5** (SCE-IM instance). *An SCE-IM instance is a tuple*

$$\mathcal{E} = (S, O, \Omega, \mathcal{T}, J, \text{err}, \mu, \mathcal{K}, \Phi),$$

where  $S$  is a syntactic space,  $O$  an objective space,  $\Omega$  a semantic space,  $\mathcal{T}$  a set of teeth (constraints),  $J : S \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  a semantics map,  $\text{err} : S \times O \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  an error functional,  $\mu$  a measure on  $\Omega$ ,  $\mathcal{K}$  windows, and  $\Phi$  a dynamics on  $S$ .

**Definition 2.6** (Windowed volume). *For a window  $K \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $\sigma \in S$ ,*

$$\text{Vol}_K(\sigma) := \mu(J(\sigma) \cap K).$$

**Definition 2.7** (Resource-limited curvature). *Given a resource functional  $\rho : S \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and objective  $o \in O$ ,*

$$\kappa_R(o) := \inf\{\text{err}(\sigma, o) : \rho(\sigma) \leq R\}, \quad \kappa(o) := \inf_{\sigma \in S} \text{err}(\sigma, o).$$

## 2.4 Constraints as geometry (CNF / cGCNF nodes)

**Definition 2.8** (Discrete CNF forbidden region). *On  $\{0, 1\}^n$ , a CNF  $F = \bigwedge_{j=1}^m C_j$  defines a forbidden region  $U(F)$  as the union of clause-falsifying subcubes; the satisfying set is  $\text{Mod}(F) = \{0, 1\}^n \setminus U(F)$ .*

**Definition 2.9** (Continuous GCNF (cGCNF)). *Let  $\mathcal{X} = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$  be a product of topological spaces. A literal is  $\ell = (I, f, Y, U)$  with  $I \subseteq [n]$ ,  $f : \prod_{i \in I} X_i \rightarrow Y$  continuous, and  $U \subseteq Y$  open. Define  $\text{Mod}(\ell) = (f \circ \pi_I)^{-1}(U)$ . A clause is a finite union of literals; a formula is a finite intersection of clauses. For a clause  $C = \bigvee_{t=1}^m \ell_t$ , define*

$$\text{Forb}(C) := \bigcap_{t=1}^m (\mathcal{X} \setminus \text{Mod}(\ell_t)), \quad U(\Phi) := \bigcup_j \text{Forb}(C_j), \quad \text{Mod}(\Phi) := \mathcal{X} \setminus U(\Phi).$$

## 2.5 Finite-bank certification node (bank & margin)

**Definition 2.10** (Finite-bank transfer data). *Let  $(\Theta, \mathcal{A}, \mu_\Theta)$  be a measure space and  $K \in \mathcal{A}$  a window. Fix a margin parameter  $\tau > 0$  and bank size  $N$ . Let  $E_\tau \in \mathcal{A}$  be an “ideal” robust region and  $E_\tau^{(N)} \in \mathcal{A}$  the region certified by a finite bank. Let  $\varepsilon_N$  be the bank covering radius and  $\omega : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a modulus. Under the regularity hypothesis of Axiom 3.6, the inclusions*

$$E_{\tau+\omega(\varepsilon_N)} \subseteq E_\tau^{(N)} \subseteq E_\tau$$

are proved in Theorem 4.1.

## 2.6 Protocol holonomy (typed refinement square; no untyped inverses)

**Definition 2.11** (Index category for refinements). *Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a small category whose objects are pairs  $(N, \tau)$ . For  $N \leq N'$  there is a bank morphism*

$$B_{N \rightarrow N'} : (N, \tau) \rightarrow (N', \tau),$$

and for  $\delta \geq 0$  there is a margin morphism

$$R_\delta : (N, \tau) \rightarrow (N, \tau + \delta).$$

Composition is defined by concatenation of refinements.

**Definition 2.12** (Measured-set poset categories). Let  $\mathbf{Meas}^\subseteq(\Theta)$  be the poset-category of measurable subsets of  $\Theta$  with a unique morphism  $A \rightarrow B$  iff  $A \subseteq B$ . Let  $\mathbf{Meas}^\supseteq(\Theta)$  be the same objects with a unique morphism  $A \rightarrow B$  iff  $A \supseteq B$  (reverse inclusion).

**Definition 2.13** (Certified-set functor (variance-aware)). A certified-set functor is a functor

$$E : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathbf{Meas}^\supseteq(\Theta), \quad E(N, \tau) := E_\tau^{(N)},$$

so that refinement morphisms (bank densification or margin tightening) point toward more restrictive certified sets. Equivalently: a morphism  $(N, \tau) \rightarrow (N', \tau')$  in  $\mathcal{I}$  implies

$$E_\tau^{(N)} \supseteq E_{\tau'}^{(N')}.$$

**Definition 2.14** (Index-level square comparison (trivial holonomy)). Fix  $N \leq N'$  and  $\delta \geq 0$ . There are two morphisms in  $\mathcal{I}$  from  $(N, \tau)$  to  $(N', \tau + \delta)$ :

$$p_1 := B_{N \rightarrow N'} \circ R_\delta, \quad p_2 := R_\delta \circ B_{N \rightarrow N'}.$$

Since  $E$  lands in a poset (Definition 2.12), the composite morphisms  $E(p_1)$  and  $E(p_2)$  both identify the same endpoint object  $E(N', \tau + \delta)$ . Therefore any “holonomy” defined purely at the index level is forced to be trivial. We record this by defining, for any measurable window  $K \subseteq \Theta$ ,

$$\Delta_{\circlearrowleft}^{\text{idx}}(N, N', \tau, \delta; K) := 0.$$

Nontrivial protocol holonomy is defined at the program level (Definition 9.5) where refinement semantics can be history-dependent.

*Remark 2.2* (Legacy shorthand). The earlier commutator notation  $L := B^{-1}R_\delta^{-1}BR_\delta$  is retained as informal shorthand for “compare two refinement paths in a square”. It becomes literal only after upgrading refinements to isomorphisms in a localized groupoid of *program states* (Definition 9.3), or after choosing non-canonical sections that provide partial inverses. At the index level, holonomy is declared trivial by Definition 2.14.

## 2.7 Theory atlas node (*Notas Perdurables*)

**Definition 2.15** (Observable output assignment and probability functor). For each observable  $o \in \mathcal{O}_r$ , fix a measurable output space  $(Y_o, \mathcal{B}_o)$ . Regard  $\mathcal{O}_r$  as a discrete category  $\mathcal{O}_r^{\text{disc}}$  (objects are observables; only identity morphisms). Define the output assignment functor

$$\mathcal{Y} : \mathcal{O}_r^{\text{disc}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Meas}, \quad o \mapsto (Y_o, \mathcal{B}_o),$$

where  $\mathbf{Meas}$  is the category of measurable spaces and measurable maps. Let

$$\mathcal{P} : \mathbf{Meas} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}, \quad (Y, \mathcal{B}) \mapsto \text{Prob}(Y)$$

be the probability-measure functor into sets (here  $\text{Prob}(Y)$  denotes probability measures on  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$ ). Then  $(\mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{Y})(o) = \text{Prob}(Y_o)$ .

**Definition 2.16** (Prediction section (typed)). A chart  $T$  determines a prediction section

$$_T \in \Gamma(\mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{Y}) := \prod_{o \in \mathcal{O}_r} \text{Prob}(Y_o),$$

i.e. an assignment  $o \mapsto_T (o) \in \text{Prob}(Y_o)$ . When convenient, we also view  $_T$  as a functor  $\mathcal{O}_r^{\text{disc}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$  sending  $o$  to  $\text{Prob}(Y_o)$  together with a chosen element in each fiber.

**Definition 2.17** (Chart validity region). A chart  $T$  has a validity region  $\Omega_r(T) \subseteq X$ .

**Definition 2.18** (Atlas of charts). *An atlas at resource  $r$  is a family  $\{T_i\}_{i \in I}$  such that the accessible regime is covered: for the intended domain  $A_r \subseteq X$ ,  $A_r \subseteq \bigcup_i \Omega_r(T_i)$ .*

**Definition 2.19** (Transition operators (groupoid structure)). *On overlaps  $\Omega_r(T_i) \cap \Omega_r(T_j)$  we assume a family of bijections*

$$g_{ij} = (g_{ij,o})_{o \in \mathcal{O}_r}, \quad g_{ij,o} : \text{Prob}(Y_o) \rightarrow \text{Prob}(Y_o),$$

*with pointwise inverses  $g_{ji,o} = g_{ij,o}^{-1}$ . These operators act on prediction sections by*

$$(g_{ij} \cdot)(o) := g_{ij,o}((o)).$$

*The family  $\{T_i, g_{ij}\}$  defines a groupoid  $\mathcal{G}_r$  (objects: charts; morphisms: transition operators). If  $\mathcal{O}_r$  is upgraded from discrete to a category with nontrivial morphisms, impose the naturality constraint; in the default discrete case, naturality is vacuous.*

*Realization note: each  $g_{ij,o}$  may be induced by an invertible Markov kernel on  $Y_o$ ; this links to the kernel pushforward action in Definition 9.23.*

**Definition 2.20** (Atlas holonomy cocycle). *On triple overlaps define the cocycle operator*

$$h_{ijk} := g_{ij} \circ g_{jk} \circ g_{ki},$$

*meaning componentwise, for each  $o \in \mathcal{O}_r$ ,*

$$h_{ijk,o} := g_{ij,o} \circ g_{jk,o} \circ g_{ki,o} : \text{Prob}(Y_o) \rightarrow \text{Prob}(Y_o).$$

*Thus  $h_{ijk}$  is an automorphism of the section space  $\Gamma(\mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{Y})$  via pointwise action. If some  $h_{ijk,o} \neq \text{id}$  (in the chosen gauge quotient), the atlas has nontrivial holonomy.*

**Remark 2.3** (Gauge dependence and conjugacy invariance). Changing the representative transitions by a 0-cochain  $\{a_i \in \mathbf{G}_r\}$  via  $g'_{ij} := a_i g_{ij} a_j^{-1}$  conjugates the cocycles:  $h'_{ijk} = a_i h_{ijk} a_i^{-1}$ . Hence the *conjugacy class* of  $\{h_{ijk}\}$  (and in standard settings its cohomology class) is the gauge-invariant holonomy datum.

## 2.8 The network object (expansive, non-sequential)

**Definition 2.21** (Closure net as a typed diagram). *A closure net  $\mathcal{N}$  is a typed directed multigraph (equivalently, a small category with decorations) whose nodes include:*

$$\{\text{Notas-kernel } K_r, \text{ SCE-IM } \mathcal{E}, \text{ CNF/cGCNF}, \text{ Finite-bank functor } E, \text{ Atlas groupoid } \mathcal{G}_r\},$$

*and whose edges are declared morphisms between them (semantics, volume, certification, refinements, transitions). A network extension adds nodes/edges while preserving all previously declared typing and compatibility constraints.*

## 2.9 Gauge actions and rigid transport (geometric core)

**Definition 2.22** (Net-derived gauge group on predictions). *Fix  $r$  and write the section space of predictions as*

$$\Gamma_r := \Gamma(\mathcal{P} \circ \mathcal{Y}) = \prod_{o \in \mathcal{O}_r} \text{Prob}(Y_o).$$

*Let  $\text{rig}(\mathcal{N}_r)$  denote the group of rigid closure-net automorphisms at resource  $r$  (Definition 2.23 applied fiberwise on the observational family). Each  $\varphi \in \text{rig}(\mathcal{N}_r)$  induces a componentwise pushforward*

$$\rho_r(\varphi) : \Gamma_r \rightarrow \Gamma_r, \quad (\nu_o)_{o \in \mathcal{O}_r} \mapsto (\varphi_{o\#} \nu_o)_{o \in \mathcal{O}_r}.$$

The canonical gauge group is the image

$$\mathbf{G}_r := \rho_r|_{\text{rig}}(\mathcal{N}_r) \leq (\Gamma_r).$$

A choice of transition representatives  $\{g_{ij}\}$  is a  $\mathbf{G}_r$ -valued 1-cochain on the nerve of the cover  $\{\Omega_r(T_i)\}$ .

**Proposition 2.1** ([Proved] Rigidity  $\Rightarrow$  gauge action). *The assignment  $\rho_r|_{\text{rig}}(\mathcal{N}_r) \rightarrow (\Gamma_r)$  is a group homomorphism. Consequently, atlas-holonomy conjugacy classes computed from transition cochains are intrinsic to the rigid transport structure.*

*Proof.* Functoriality of pushforward under composition yields  $\rho_r(\varphi \circ \psi) = \rho_r(\varphi) \circ \rho_r(\psi)$  and  $\rho_r(\text{id}) = \text{id}$ . Conjugacy invariance is the standard gauge change-of-trivialization calculation (Proposition 4.1).  $\square$

**Definition 2.23** (Rigid isomorphism of closure nets). *Let  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}'$  be two instantiations (possibly on different spaces). A rigid isomorphism is a triple  $(h, g, u)$  transporting state space, objective space, and micro-space, together with induced transports of windows, dynamics, and observables, such that error and windowed volumes are preserved. (When instantiated from SCE-IM, this matches the standard “rigid isomorphism” notion used to prove curvature invariance.)*

### 3 Axiomas (consistencia y acoplamientos mínimos)

**Axiom 3.1** (Gauge invariance). *All observables  $o \in \mathcal{O}_r$  factor through  $X/\sim$ .*

**Axiom 3.2** (Soundness-only internal certification). *For each  $r$ , there exists a partial semantics  $J_r$  such that*

$$\text{Cert}_r(x, s) = 1 \implies x \in J_r(s).$$

*No completeness or totality is assumed.*

**Axiom 3.3** (Zipper refinement operator). *There exists an operator  $\triangleleft : S \times \mathcal{T} \rightarrow S$  and measurable sets  $D_\tau \subseteq \Omega$  such that*

$$J(\sigma \triangleleft \tau) \subseteq J(\sigma) \cap D_\tau.$$

**Axiom 3.4** (Lower semicontinuity of error). *For each  $o \in O$ , the map  $\sigma \mapsto \text{err}(\sigma, o)$  is lower semicontinuous on  $S$ .*

**Axiom 3.5** (Windowed measurability). *For each  $\sigma \in S$  and  $K \in \mathcal{K}$ ,  $J(\sigma) \cap K$  is measurable and  $\mu(K) < \infty$ .*

**Axiom 3.6** (Bank regularity for transfer). *There is a compact template space  $(S_\infty, \text{dist}_S)$  and a score functional*

$$F : \Theta \times S_\infty \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

*such that for each  $S \in S_\infty$  the map  $\theta \mapsto F(\theta, S)$  is measurable, and for each  $\theta$  the map  $S \mapsto F(\theta, S)$  is uniformly continuous with modulus  $\omega$  (independent of  $\theta$ ):*

$$|F(\theta, S) - F(\theta, S')| \leq \omega(\text{dist}_S(S, S')).$$

*A finite bank  $S_N \subset S_\infty$  is an  $\varepsilon_N$ -net: for every  $S \in S_\infty$  there exists  $S' \in S_N$  with  $\text{dist}_S(S, S') \leq \varepsilon_N$ .*

**Axiom 3.7** (Refinement typing). *Refinements act as morphisms in the index category  $\mathcal{I}$  (Definition 2.11) and induce monotone maps via the certified-set functor  $E$  (Definition 2.13).*

**Axiom 3.8** (Atlas groupoid typing). *Transitions form a groupoid of natural isomorphisms between prediction functors on overlaps (Definition 2.19). Atlas holonomy is defined by cocycles (Definition 2.20).*

**Axiom 3.9** (Evidence separation). *No axiom asserts: (i) global completeness of internal certification, (ii) that zipper signatures determine atlas/protocol holonomy without extra hypotheses, (iii) that holonomy must vanish.*

## 4 Lemas y teoremas (compatibilidad local y obstrucciones)

**Lemma 4.1** (Monotonicity of resource-limited curvature). *If  $R \leq R'$ , then  $\kappa_{R'}(o) \leq \kappa_R(o)$  for all  $o \in O$ .*

*Proof.* The feasible set  $\{\sigma : \rho(\sigma) \leq R\}$  is contained in  $\{\sigma : \rho(\sigma) \leq R'\}$ ; taking infima yields the claim.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2** (Openness of cGCNF model sets). *In cGCNF,  $\text{Mod}(\Phi)$  is open in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*

*Proof.* Each literal model set is open as a preimage of an open set under a continuous map. Finite unions/intersections preserve openness.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.1** ([Proved] Finite-bank transfer from a modulus). *Assume Axiom 3.6. Fix  $\tau > 0$  and define the ideal robust existence set and its banked version by*

$$E_\tau := \{\theta \in \Theta : \exists S \in \mathbf{S}_\infty \text{ with } F(\theta, S) < -\tau\}, \quad E_\tau^{(N)} := \{\theta \in \Theta : \exists S \in \mathbf{S}_N \text{ with } F(\theta, S) < -\tau\}.$$

*Then the transfer inclusions hold:*

$$E_{\tau+\omega(\varepsilon_N)} \subseteq E_\tau^{(N)} \subseteq E_\tau.$$

*Proof.* The inclusion  $E_\tau^{(N)} \subseteq E_\tau$  is immediate since  $\mathbf{S}_N \subseteq \mathbf{S}_\infty$ . For the other inclusion, take  $\theta \in E_{\tau+\omega(\varepsilon_N)}$ . Then there exists  $S \in \mathbf{S}_\infty$  with  $F(\theta, S) < -(\tau + \omega(\varepsilon_N))$ . By  $\varepsilon_N$ -net coverage, pick  $S' \in \mathbf{S}_N$  with  $\text{dist}_5(S, S') \leq \varepsilon_N$ . By the modulus inequality,

$$F(\theta, S') \leq F(\theta, S) + \omega(\varepsilon_N) < -\tau,$$

so  $\theta \in E_\tau^{(N)}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.1** ([Proved] Lipschitz modulus). *If, in addition,  $S \mapsto F(\theta, S)$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz uniformly in  $\theta$ , then one may take  $\omega(\varepsilon) = L\varepsilon$ .*

*Proof.* Immediate from the Lipschitz bound.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2** ([Proved] Non-contradiction of Notas-kernel and SCE-IM). *Under Axioms 3.1–3.9, the combined system is consistent relative to the metatheory: a product model exists in which the Notas-kernel and SCE-IM components coexist without forcing contradictions.*

*Proof.* The axioms constrain disjoint sorts:  $(X, \Sigma^*, \text{Cert}_r, J_r, \mathcal{O}_r)$  on one side and  $(S, \Omega, J, \mu, \text{err}, \triangleleft)$  on the other. No axiom identifies these sorts or asserts completeness. Interpret each component independently and take a product/disjoint union model.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3** ([Proved] Protocol holonomy: index-triviality and program non-commutativity). *(Index level) Under Definitions 2.12–2.14, the index-level quantity  $\Delta_{\circlearrowleft}^{\text{id}_x}(N, N', \tau, \delta; K)$  is identically 0.*

*(Program level) Fix a start program state  $c$  and two protocols  $p_1, p_2 : c \rightarrow c_1, c_2$  in  $\mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}}$  (Definition 9.3), and a window  $K \subseteq \Theta$ . Let  $\Delta_{\circlearrowleft}(p_1, p_2; K)$  be as in Definition 9.5. Then  $\Delta_{\circlearrowleft}(p_1, p_2; K) = 0$  iff the produced certified sets agree  $\mu_\Theta$ -a.e. on  $K$ , and  $\Delta_{\circlearrowleft}(p_1, p_2; K) > 0$  implies they differ on a  $\mu_\Theta$ -non-null subset of  $K$ .*

*Proof.* Immediate from Definition 2.14: equality of images implies symmetric difference measure 0, and positive symmetric difference implies inequality on positive measure.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4** ([Proved] Atlas holonomy obstructs global trivialization). *Under Axiom 3.8, if some cocycle  $h_{ijk} \neq \text{id}$  in the gauge quotient, then there is no single prediction functor  $\star$  and natural isomorphisms  $T_i \Rightarrow_\star$  that simultaneously trivialize all transitions on the covered regime.*



*Proof.* A global trivialization yields a choice of gauge in which all transitions are identities, forcing all triple cocycles to be identities. Thus a nontrivial cocycle obstructs such a choice.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.1** ([Proved] Gauge invariance of atlas holonomy). *Under Definition 2.22 and the gauge update  $g'_{ij} := a_i g_{ij} a_j^{-1}$ , the cocycles transform by conjugation and the holonomy class (conjugacy/cohomology class) is invariant.*

*Proof.* This is the computation recorded in the remark after Definition 2.20.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.2** ([Proved] Curvature invariance under rigid transport). *Let  $(h, g, u)$  be a rigid isomorphism (Definition 2.23) transporting error as  $\text{err}'(h(\sigma), g(o)) = \text{err}(\sigma, o)$ . Then  $\kappa'(g(o)) = \kappa(o)$  for all objectives  $o$ .*

*Proof.* Take infima over  $\sigma$  and use bijectivity of  $h$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.5** ([Proved] Diagonal obstruction requires arithmetized self-reference). *Soundness-only internal certification (Axiom 3.2) does not by itself imply a Gödel diagonal obstruction. Such an obstruction requires an additional arithmetization layer that (i) encodes sentences into tokens and (ii) ties token-certification to an internal reflection principle.*

*Proof.* Diagonalization requires a fixed-point lemma in an internal language plus a mapping from sentences to tokens and a reflection principle that connects  $\text{Cert}_r$  to semantic truth/representability. These are not present in Axiom 3.2.  $\square$

## 5 Invariantes (lo que permanece bajo equivalencias)

**Definition 5.1** (Zipper signature). *Fix an interval  $I = [\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_1]$  of sublevel thresholds. The zipper signature is*

$$\Sigma_{\text{zip}}(\mathcal{E}, o) := (\kappa(o), \text{MT}_I(o), \tau^o),$$

where  $\text{MT}_I(o)$  is a merge tree and  $\tau^o$  are hitting-time observables.

**Definition 5.2** (Atlas holonomy invariant). *The gauge-equivalence class of cocycles  $\{h_{ijk}\}$  defines  $\text{Hol}_{\text{atlas}}$ .*

**Definition 5.3** (Protocol holonomy invariant). *The family of square-comparison magnitudes  $\Delta_{\odot}(N, N', \tau, \delta; K)$  defines  $\text{Hol}_{\text{prot}}$ .*

**Proposition 5.1** ([Proved] Independence under current axioms). *Under Axioms 3.1–3.9,  $\Sigma_{\text{zip}}$  and  $(\text{Hol}_{\text{atlas}}, \text{Hol}_{\text{prot}})$  are independent invariants: no implication between them is provable without extra coupling axioms.*

*Proof.* No axiom links merge-tree/hitting-time data to atlas groupoid cocycles or refinement-square comparisons.  $\square$

## 6 Predicciones estructurales (modeladas, falsables)

**Proposition 6.1** ([Model] gray-zone scaling with bank density). *Assume  $\omega(\varepsilon) \approx L\varepsilon$  and  $\varepsilon_N \asymp N^{-1/d}$  for an effective dimension  $d$ . Then the bank-induced uncertainty thickness scales as  $O(N^{-1/d})$  (for fixed margin  $\tau$  and window  $K$ ).*

**Proposition 6.2** ([Model] holonomy scaling with transfer modulus). *Assume that non-commutativity arises only through the bank-transfer gap measured by  $\omega(\varepsilon_N)$ . Then  $\Delta_{\odot}(N, N', \tau, \delta; K) = O(\omega(\varepsilon_N))$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  for fixed  $(N', \tau, \delta)$  and  $K$ .*

**Proposition 6.3** ([Model] atlas obstructions manifest as path dependence). *If  $\text{Hol}_{\text{atlas}} \neq 0$ , then prediction translation along different chart-paths around an overlap cycle yields path-dependent outputs on some observable family.*

**Definition 6.1** (Asymptotic trivialization in the resource limit). *Let  $r \mapsto c_r$  be a directed resource schedule (refinements in  $\mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}}$ ). Protocol holonomy is asymptotically trivial on window  $K$  if for every fixed loop type,*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Delta_{\odot}(c_r; K) = 0.$$

**Proposition 6.4** ([Model] Sufficient condition for  $\Delta_{\odot} \rightarrow 0$ ). *If (i) bank transfer moduli satisfy  $\omega(\varepsilon_r) \rightarrow 0$ , (ii) the auxiliary state stabilizes ( $\xi_r = \xi_{\infty}$  eventually), and (iii) atlas cocycle classes vanish on the relevant loop family, then  $\Delta_{\odot}(c_r; K) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .*

**Proposition 6.5** ([Model] Persistent holonomy decomposition). *In the same setting, observing  $\widehat{G} \rightarrow 0$  while  $\widehat{\Delta}_{\odot} \not\rightarrow 0$  supports one of: (a) non-stabilization of  $\xi$  (history-dependent semantics), (b) nontrivial atlas holonomy class (groupoid obstruction), (c) misspecified transfer modulus (failure of the tested regularity hypothesis). The artifact node in Section 9.7.2 realizes case (a) via a window-choice state.*

## 7 Agujeros (no-closure) declarados y expansión en red

**Definition 7.1** (Hole vs contradiction). *A contradiction is a derivation of  $\perp$  from the axioms. A hole is a desired coupling statement not derivable from the axioms; holes are promoted to conjectures or to new explicit axioms.*

*Remark 7.1* (Current explicit holes). (H1) Zipper-to-holonomy:  $\Sigma_{\text{zip}}$  determines  $\text{Hol}_{\text{prot}}$  (or forces  $\text{Hol}_{\text{prot}} = 0$ ) under a natural rigidity hypothesis.

(H2) Zipper algebra: conditions under which  $\triangleleft$  generates a monoid/semigroup action on  $S$  and induces functorial actions on invariants.

(H3) Atlas-to-zipper:  $\text{Hol}_{\text{atlas}}$  is encoded by merge-tree data on  $I$ .

(H4) Meta-closure tower: explicit endofunctor  $M$  on charts capturing “closing the gap” while preserving soundness, and its (non-)fixed-point structure.

(H5) Arithmetization layer: minimal conditions under which internal certification implies a diagonal obstruction and hence  $\kappa_R > 0$  for some targets.

(H6) Interaction of bank-functor  $E$  and prediction-functor  $T$  (a functorial bridge from certified parameter sets to prediction kernels).

### 7.1 Conjectures as safe network expansions

**Conjecture 7.1** (Zipper  $\Rightarrow$  trivial protocol holonomy under rigidity). *Assume a rigidity axiom identifying bank/margin refinements with homotopies that preserve the sublevel filtration on  $I$  and preserve  $\text{MT}_I$ . Then constancy of  $\Sigma_{\text{zip}}$  on  $I$  implies  $\Delta_{\odot}(N, N', \tau, \delta; K) = 0$  for the induced window semantics.*

**Conjecture 7.2** (Zipper monoid and induced actions). *Assume a set of teeth  $\mathcal{T}$  equipped with a composition law  $*$  such that applying  $\tau_1$  then  $\tau_2$  is equivalent (up to  $\sim$ ) to applying  $\tau_1 * \tau_2$ . Then  $\triangleleft$  defines a (partial) right action of a monoid  $(\mathcal{T}, *)$  on  $S$ , and any functorial invariant of the induced filtrations is constant along action-orbits.*

**Conjecture 7.3** (Atlas holonomy as groupoid cohomology class). *There exists a cohomology theory on the nerve  $\text{Nerve}(\mathcal{G}_r)$  in which  $\text{Hol}_{\text{atlas}}$  is represented by a class of the cocycle  $\{h_{ijk}\}$ .*

**Conjecture 7.4** (Meta-closure tower has no sound complete fixed point). *Assume a meta-operator  $M$  that extends a chart by adding internal certification power while preserving soundness. If  $M$  is sufficiently expressive to encode its own certification predicate, then there is no chart  $T$  such that  $M(T) \cong T$  and certification becomes sound and complete at fixed finite resources.*

**Conjecture 7.5** (Zipper monoid action and complexity proxy). *Let  $\triangleleft$  be the zipper refinement operator (Axiom ??). There exists a monoid  $(\mathcal{T}, *)$  and an action  $\mathcal{T} \curvearrowright \mathcal{S}$  such that each elementary refinement corresponds to multiplication by a generator in  $\mathcal{T}$ . Define the zipper complexity of reaching a target syntax token  $s^*$  from  $s$  as the minimal word length*

$$\text{Comp}_{\triangleleft}(s \rightarrow s^*) := \min\{\ell : \exists t_1 * \dots * t_\ell \in \mathcal{T} \text{ with } (t_1 * \dots * t_\ell) \cdot s = s^*\}.$$

*In systems where refinements model coarse-graining, this length behaves analogously to circuit depth.*

**Remark 7.2** (Renormalization-group analogy). In QFT-style settings, a zipper step  $\triangleleft$  admits an interpretation as integrating out degrees of freedom and producing an effective kernel. Non-commutativity of refinement programs corresponds to non-commutativity of coarse-graining steps under different scheme/order choices, with holonomy providing a quantitative invariant of the mismatch.

## 8 Figura de red (expansiva)

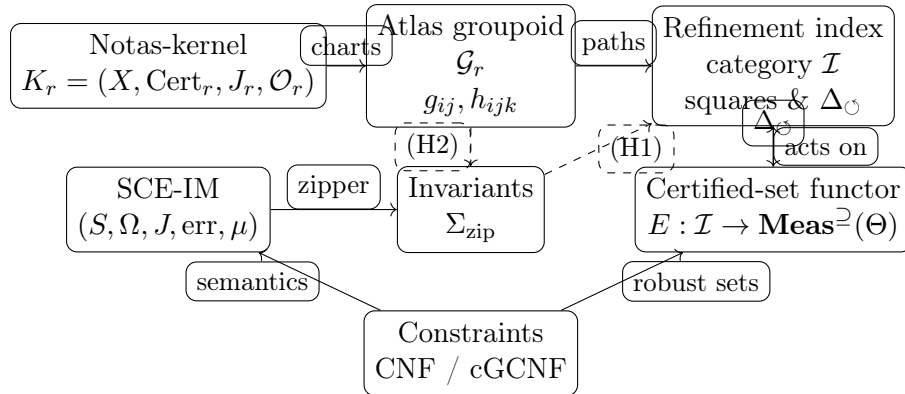


Figure 1: **Closure net schematic.** Solid arrows are typed morphisms already defined in Sections 1–3 (charts, refinements, and certified-set functors). Dashed arrows labeled (H1)–(H2) are *declared coupling holes*: they require additional hypotheses to connect zipper signatures to holonomy data. The diagram is intended as a navigation aid rather than a completeness claim.

## 9 Verifiable Extensions: Experimental Nodes and Protocols

### 9.1 Experimental contract (auditable measurement)

**Definition 9.1** (Verifiable extension). *A verifiable extension adds a node  $D$  (data/harness) and a finite family of measurable observables  $\mathcal{M} = \{M_1, \dots, M_k\}$  together with:*

- (V1) *explicit domains (datasets or instance families) and windows  $K$ ,*
- (V2) *estimators  $\widehat{M}_i$  computable from finite samples,*
- (V3) *auditable error bars (concentration bounds or bootstrap intervals),*

(V4) falsifiable predictions (inequalities or scaling laws with declared regimes).

**Definition 9.2** (Window sampling oracle). *An oracle for window sampling is a procedure returning i.i.d. samples  $\theta_t \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot \mid K)$  or MCMC samples with effective sample size  $\text{ESS}(T)$ . In this section, i.i.d. is treated as [Proved] for concentration bounds; MCMC bounds are treated as [Model].*

## 9.2 Typed protocol holonomy: deterministic vs history-dependent semantics

*Remark 9.1* (Deterministic indexed sets imply trivial holonomy). If  $E_\tau^{(N)}$  is defined as a function *only* of the terminal indices  $(N, \tau)$ , then any two paths  $(N, \tau) \rightarrow (N', \tau + \delta)$  with the same endpoint produce the same set and holonomy is forced to vanish. Therefore nontrivial protocol holonomy requires *history-dependent* refinement semantics.

**Definition 9.3** (Refinement program category). *Let  $\mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}}$  be a category whose objects are certificate states*

$$c = (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi),$$

*where  $\mathcal{S}$  is a concrete bank instance (not just its size),  $\tau$  is a margin parameter, and  $\xi$  is auxiliary state (random seed, optimizer state, stopping rule, etc.). Morphisms are program steps acting on  $c$  (bank augmentation, margin tightening, recomputation). A protocol is a path  $p : c \rightarrow c'$  in  $\mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}}$ .*

**Definition 9.4** (Program-evaluated certified sets). *A program-evaluated certification functor is a functor*

$$\mathcal{E}^{\text{prog}} : \mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}} \rightarrow \mathbf{Meas}^\supset(\Theta), \quad \mathcal{E}^{\text{prog}}(c) =: E_c \subseteq \Theta.$$

*Two protocols  $p_1, p_2 : c \rightarrow c'$  may yield distinct outputs even if  $c'$  matches in index values (e.g. same  $(N', \tau + \delta)$ ), because the terminal bank instance  $\mathcal{S}$  or auxiliary state  $\xi$  can differ.*

**Definition 9.5** (Protocol holonomy observable (program semantics)). *Fix a start state  $c$  and two protocols  $p_1, p_2 : c \rightarrow c'$ . For a window  $K \subseteq \Theta$ , define*

$$\Delta_\cup(p_1, p_2; K) := \mu_\Theta((E_{p_1} \cap K) \triangle (E_{p_2} \cap K)),$$

*where  $E_{p_i} := \mathcal{E}^{\text{prog}}(p_i)(c)$  denotes the output certified set produced by executing  $p_i$  from  $c$ . Definition 2.14 is recovered as a special case when certificate states are restricted to  $(N, \tau)$  and programs are canonical.*

**Definition 9.6** (Normalized protocol holonomy). *If  $\mu_\Theta(K) > 0$ , define the normalized magnitude*

$$\tilde{\Delta}_\cup(p_1, p_2; K) := \frac{\Delta_\cup(p_1, p_2; K)}{\mu_\Theta(K)} \in [0, 1].$$

*This removes dependence on the absolute scale of  $\mu_\Theta$  when only relative window fractions are desired.*

## 9.3 Monte Carlo estimators for window-measures

**Definition 9.7** (Indicator estimator). *Let  $A \subseteq \Theta$  be measurable and let  $\theta_t \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot \mid K)$  i.i.d. Define*

$$\hat{\mu}_T(A \cap K) := \mu_\Theta(K) \cdot \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{1}_A(\theta_t).$$

**Theorem 9.1** ([Proved] Hoeffding bound for window-measures). *Under i.i.d. sampling, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\Pr(|\hat{\mu}_T(A \cap K) - \mu_\Theta(A \cap K)| \geq \epsilon) \leq 2 \exp\left(-\frac{2T\epsilon^2}{\mu_\Theta(K)^2}\right).$$

*Proof.* Apply Hoeffding to bounded random variables  $X_t = \mu_\Theta(K) \mathbf{1}_A(\theta_t) \in [0, \mu_\Theta(K)]$ .  $\square$

*Remark 9.2* ([Model] MCMC replacement). If only MCMC samples are available, replace  $T$  in Theorem 9.1 by  $\text{ESS}(T)$  (using a declared estimator of integrated autocorrelation time).

#### 9.4 Normalized window probabilities (avoiding explicit $\mu_\Theta(K)$ )

**Definition 9.8** (Conditional window measure). Assume  $0 < \mu_\Theta(K) < \infty$ . Define the conditional window probability measure

$$\mu_\Theta^K(A) := \Pr_{\theta \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot | K)}[\theta \in A] = \frac{\mu_\Theta(A \cap K)}{\mu_\Theta(K)}.$$

**Definition 9.9** (Normalized indicator estimator). Let  $\theta_t \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot | K)$  i.i.d. Define the normalized estimator

$$\widehat{\mu}_T^K(A) := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{1}_A(\theta_t),$$

which estimates  $\mu_\Theta^K(A)$  and does not require knowledge of  $\mu_\Theta(K)$ .

**Theorem 9.2** ([Proved] Hoeffding bound for normalized window probabilities). Under i.i.d. sampling, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\Pr\left(\left|\widehat{\mu}_T^K(A) - \mu_\Theta^K(A)\right| \geq \epsilon\right) \leq 2 \exp(-2T\epsilon^2).$$

*Proof.* Apply Hoeffding to Bernoulli random variables  $\mathbf{1}_A(\theta_t) \in [0, 1]$ .  $\square$

**Definition 9.10** (Normalized gray-zone and protocol-holonomy observables). For certified sets  $E_1, E_2 \subseteq \Theta$ , define the normalized protocol holonomy in window  $K$ :

$$\tilde{\Delta}_\cup(E_1, E_2 | K) := \mu_\Theta^K(E_1 \triangle E_2).$$

For an ideal target region  $E_\tau$  and a bank-certified region  $E(\mathcal{S}, \tau)$ , define the normalized gray-zone:

$$\tilde{G}(\mathcal{S}, \tau | K) := \mu_\Theta^K(E_\tau \setminus E(\mathcal{S}, \tau)).$$

Both are estimable by Definition 9.9 with error bars from Theorem 9.2.

*Remark 9.3* (Absolute vs normalized measures). The absolute quantities  $\Delta_\cup$  and  $G$  are recovered by multiplying by  $\mu_\Theta(K)$ . Normalized observables  $\tilde{\Delta}_\cup$  and  $\tilde{G}$  are preferable when  $\mu_\Theta(K)$  is unknown or when only conditional sampling is available.

#### 9.5 Pre-registration: sample size planning and decision thresholds

**Definition 9.11** ([Proved] Sample size for normalized indicator tests). Fix accuracy  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$  and risk level  $\eta \in (0, 1)$ . For the normalized estimator in Definition 9.9, define

$$T(\epsilon, \eta) := \left\lceil \frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \log \frac{2}{\eta} \right\rceil.$$

**Proposition 9.1** ([Proved] Guaranteed confidence interval width). If  $T \geq T(\epsilon, \eta)$ , then with probability at least  $1 - \eta$ ,

$$\left|\widehat{\mu}_T^K(A) - \mu_\Theta^K(A)\right| \leq \epsilon.$$

Equivalently, the confidence interval  $[\widehat{\mu}_T^K(A) - \epsilon, \widehat{\mu}_T^K(A) + \epsilon]$  is valid at level  $1 - \eta$ .

*Proof.* Apply Theorem 9.2 and solve  $2 \exp(-2T\epsilon^2) \leq \eta$  for  $T$ .  $\square$

**Definition 9.12** (Decision rule schema). *Given a pre-registered tolerance  $\epsilon_{\text{hol}} > 0$  and risk  $\eta$ , declare*

$$\text{“holonomy detected”} \iff \widehat{\Delta}_T - \epsilon \geq \epsilon_{\text{hol}},$$

*with  $\epsilon$  chosen and  $T \geq T(\epsilon, \eta)$ . Analogous rules apply for gray-zone collapse tests  $\tilde{G} \rightarrow 0$  by substituting  $\widehat{\tilde{G}}_T$ .*

## 9.6 Distances between predicted distributions (for atlas probes)

**Definition 9.13** (Total variation and Wasserstein). *For probability measures  $P, Q$  on  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$ :*

$$d_{\text{TV}}(P, Q) := \sup_{A \in \mathcal{B}} |P(A) - Q(A)|.$$

*If  $Y \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$  with metric  $\|\cdot\|$ , define the 1-Wasserstein distance*

$$W_1(P, Q) := \sup_{\text{Lip}(f) \leq 1} \left| \int f dP - \int f dQ \right|.$$

**Definition 9.14** (Maximum mean discrepancy (MMD)). *Fix a bounded positive definite kernel  $k$  on  $Y$ . Define*

$$\text{MMD}_k^2(P, Q) := \mathbb{E} k(X, X') + \mathbb{E} k(Y, Y') - 2\mathbb{E} k(X, Y),$$

*with  $X, X' \sim P$  i.i.d. and  $Y, Y' \sim Q$  i.i.d. An unbiased empirical estimator is obtained by replacing expectations with sample averages over independent batches.*

## 9.7 Experimental Nodes (P1–P5) as network expansions

### 9.7.1 P1: Refinement-square holonomy experiment (finite-bank)

**Definition 9.15** (Template-pool instantiation). *Fix a large finite pool  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$ , serving as an empirical stand-in for an idealized infinite bank. For each template  $s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$ , fix a measurable score function  $F_s : \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . For a concrete bank instance  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  and margin  $\tau > 0$ , define the certified set*

$$E(\mathcal{S}, \tau) := \{\theta \in \Theta : \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}} F_s(\theta) < -\tau\}.$$

**Lemma 9.1** ([Model] Pool Lipschitz–net transfer inclusions). *Assume the template pool  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  is equipped with a metric  $d_{\mathcal{S}}$  and that, for all  $\theta \in K$ , the score map is Lipschitz in the template index:*

$$|F_s(\theta) - F_{s'}(\theta)| \leq L d_{\mathcal{S}}(s, s') \quad \forall s, s' \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}.$$

*If  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  is an  $\varepsilon$ -net of  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  (every  $s$  is within  $\varepsilon$  of some  $s' \in \mathcal{S}$ ), then for all  $\tau > 0$ ,*

$$E(\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}, \tau + L\varepsilon) \subseteq E(\mathcal{S}, \tau) \subseteq E(\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}, \tau).$$

*Thus the abstract transfer axiom  $E_{\tau+\omega(\varepsilon)} \subseteq E_{\tau}^{(N)} \subseteq E_{\tau}$  holds in the pool model with  $\omega(\varepsilon) = L\varepsilon$ .*

### 9.7.2 P1\*: Proof-of-concept artifact node (cut-state holonomy)

This node instantiates the panel’s “uncertainty  $\rightarrow 0$  while  $\Delta_{\odot} \not\rightarrow 0$ ” regime in a controlled, stylized lattice-extrapolation harness designed to mirror common workflow choices (fit windows / cuts) in numerical field theory.

| $n_{\text{cfg}}$ | $N$    | $\widehat{U}$ | s.e.     | $\widehat{\Delta}_{\odot}$ | s.e.     |
|------------------|--------|---------------|----------|----------------------------|----------|
| 30               | 360    | 0.821         | 0.00869  | 0.3252                     | 0.00995  |
| 120              | 1440   | 0.4165        | 0.00461  | 0.1618                     | 0.00496  |
| 480              | 5760   | 0.2069        | 0.0023   | 0.08881                    | 0.00265  |
| 1920             | 23040  | 0.1034        | 0.00117  | 0.05624                    | 0.00158  |
| 7680             | 92160  | 0.05135       | 0.000565 | 0.04504                    | 0.000944 |
| 30720            | 368640 | 0.02583       | 0.000293 | 0.04541                    | 0.000514 |

Table 1: Same artifact node as Figure 2. Here  $N = 12 n_{\text{cfg}}$  (twelve design points). The column  $\widehat{U}$  is the within-protocol half-width proxy (Definition 9.18).

**Definition 9.16** (Lattice-extrapolation harness (stylized but auditable)). *Let  $(a, m)$  range over a finite design grid (lattice spacing  $a$  and mass  $m$ ). Observations are scalar summaries*

$$y(a, m) = \theta_0 + c a^2 + f a^4 + d m + e a^2 m + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2/n_{\text{cfg}}),$$

*with unknown target  $\theta_0$  and finite-configuration noise controlled by  $n_{\text{cfg}}$ . Define the prediction set for  $\theta_0$  as an interval  $I_p(N)$  produced by a protocol  $p$  (below) with an auditable half-width estimator  $\widehat{w}_p(N)$ .*

**Definition 9.17** (Two protocols distinguished by a cut-state  $\xi$ ). *Fix a design grid with four  $a$ -values and three  $m$ -values. Protocol  $p_{\text{fine}}$  uses only the two finest  $a$ -values in the  $a^2 \rightarrow 0$  regression stage (whereas  $p_{\text{full}}$  uses all four). Both complete the same terminal extrapolation to  $(a, m) = (0, 0)$ , but with different internal state*

$$\xi \in \{\text{fine cut, full fit}\}.$$

*Let  $I_{\text{fine}}(N)$  and  $I_{\text{full}}(N)$  denote the resulting intervals.*

**Definition 9.18** (Uncertainty-width and holonomy estimators). *Define a within-protocol uncertainty proxy (not the global gray-zone set-measure in Definition 9.21) by*

$$\widehat{U}(N) := \max\{\widehat{w}_{\text{fine}}(N), \widehat{w}_{\text{full}}(N)\}, \quad \widehat{\Delta}_{\odot}(N) := \text{dist}_H(I_{\text{fine}}(N), I_{\text{full}}(N)),$$

*with  $\text{dist}_H$  the Hausdorff distance on intervals (equal to the absolute midpoint difference when widths match).*

**Proposition 9.2** ([Model] Persistent cut-holonomy diagnostic). *For the harness in Definition 9.16, if  $f \neq 0$  and the design includes non-negligible coarse- $a$  points, then the two protocols generally converge to different limits as  $n_{\text{cfg}} \rightarrow \infty$ :*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{\Delta}_{\odot}(N) = \Delta_{\infty}(\xi) \neq 0, \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \widehat{U}(N) = 0.$$

*Thus  $\widehat{U} \rightarrow 0$  while  $\widehat{\Delta}_{\odot} \not\rightarrow 0$  flags a hidden-state dependence (here:  $\xi$  encodes the fit window).*

**Remark 9.4** (Concrete numbers). For a fixed synthetic design grid (four  $a$  values, three  $m$  values) and Gaussian noise, Monte Carlo evaluation produces the trend in Figure 2 and Table 1. In this instance,  $\widehat{U}$  decays approximately as  $N^{-1/2}$  while  $\widehat{\Delta}_{\odot}$  approaches a small nonzero constant.

**Remark 9.5** (Reproducibility). The full source code that generates Figure 2 and Table 1 (including random seeds and audit logs) is provided as an *Artifact Bundle* in the companion ZIP: `artifact/P1star_cut_state/` (script `p1star_cut_state.py`, notebook `p1star_cut_state.ipynb`).

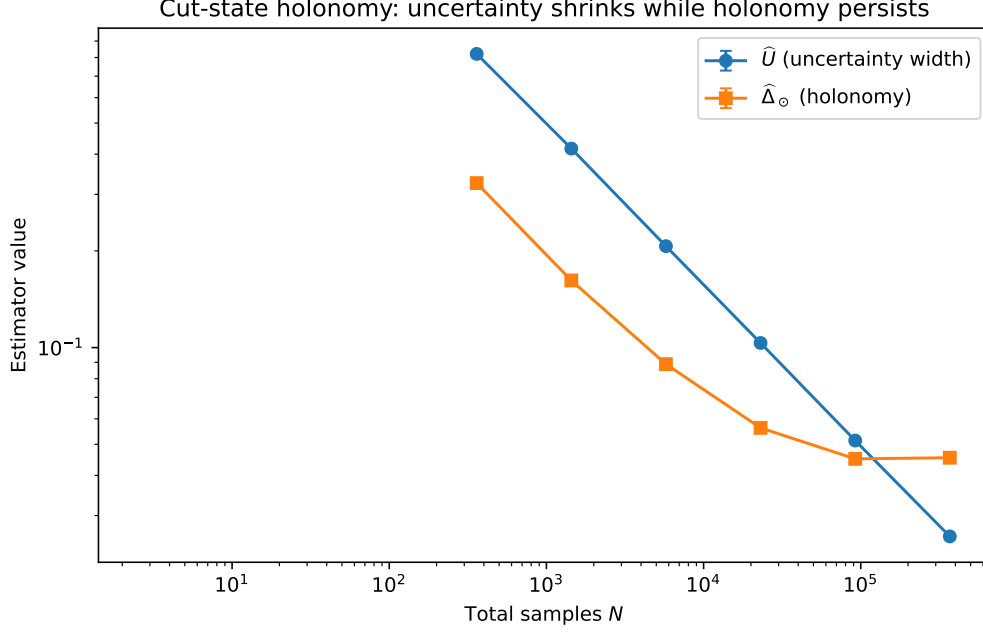


Figure 2: Artifact node: estimated uncertainty width  $\hat{U}$  and protocol-holonomy  $\hat{\Delta}_\odot$  vs total samples  $N$  (log–log axes). The design uses two protocol states  $\xi \in \{\text{fine cut, full fit}\}$ ; the limiting separation reflects model curvature ( $fa^4$ ) and window choice.

### 9.7.3 P1<sup>\*\*</sup>: Public-data instantiation (GW150914 skeleton)

[Protocol/ This optional node upgrades P1<sup>\*</sup> from a stylized harness to a public-data instantiation, aligning with Case Study C (Definition 10.7). We pre-register two analysis states  $\xi \in \{\xi_{\text{bandpass}}, \xi_{\text{whiten}}\}$  (detrending/whitening/PSD windowing) and define a square by swapping the order of whitening and bandpass filtering. The artifact bundle includes a runnable script that downloads calibrated strain segments from GWOSC and computes an auditable parameter estimate (e.g. a chirp-mass proxy) under both protocol orders, together with the resulting holonomy estimator  $\hat{\Delta}_\odot$ ; see `artifact/P2_gw150914_skeleton/`.

**Definition 9.19** (Adaptive bank augmentation operator). *Fix a window  $K$  and an exploration distribution  $\nu$  supported on  $K$ . Given  $(\mathcal{S}, \tau)$ , define an augmentation step **Aug** by sampling  $\theta \sim \nu$  and selecting*

$$s^* \in \arg \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}} \setminus \mathcal{S}} F_s(\theta), \quad \text{then setting } \mathcal{S} \leftarrow \mathcal{S} \cup \{s^*\}.$$

*This makes bank refinement history-dependent, enabling nontrivial holonomy (Remark 9.1).*

**Definition 9.20** (Program square (two orders)). *Define two protocols from the same start state  $c_0 = (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi)$ :*

$$p_1 := \text{Aug}^m \circ \text{Tighten}_\delta, \quad p_2 := \text{Tighten}_\delta \circ \text{Aug}^m,$$

*where  $\text{Aug}^m$  denotes  $m$  augmentation steps (targeting bank size increase) and  $\text{Tighten}_\delta$  updates  $\tau \leftarrow \tau + \delta$  (possibly also re-evaluating certificates). Define  $\Delta_\odot(p_1, p_2; K)$  by Definition 9.5.*

**Remark 9.6** (Measurable test target). In the pool instantiation,  $\Delta_\odot(p_1, p_2; K)$  reduces to the window measure of a symmetric difference between two explicit sets  $E(\mathcal{S}_1, \tau_1)$  and  $E(\mathcal{S}_2, \tau_2)$ , and is estimable via Theorem 9.1.



### Estimator pseudocode (auditable).

Input: start state  $c0=(S,\tau,\xi)$ , protocols  $p1,p2$ , window  $K$ , sample size  $T$   
 1) Execute  $p1$  from  $c0$  to obtain certified set  $E1$  (membership oracle:  $\theta \rightarrow 1_{\{E1\}}(\theta)$ )  
 2) Execute  $p2$  from  $c0$  to obtain certified set  $E2$  (membership oracle)  
 3) Sample  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_T \sim \mu_{\Theta}(\cdot | K)$  (i.i.d. or MCMC with ESS)  
 4) Return  $\mu(K) * (1/T) * \sum_t 1[(\theta_t \in E1) \text{ XOR } (\theta_t \in E2)]$   
 Output:  $\hat{\Delta}_{\text{loop}}$  and Hoeffding error bar (or ESS-adjusted bar)

#### 9.7.4 P2: Gray-zone scaling (estimating effective dimension)

**Definition 9.21** (Gray-zone observable). Assume an ideal region  $E_{\tau}$  is available in the pool model, for instance  $E_{\tau} := E(\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}, \tau)$ . For a finite bank instance  $\mathcal{S}$  (size  $N$ ), define the gray-zone in window  $K$  as

$$G(\mathcal{S}, \tau; K) := \mu_{\Theta}((E_{\tau} \setminus E(\mathcal{S}, \tau)) \cap K).$$

**Definition 9.22** (Empirical covering dimension). Let  $(\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}, d_{\mathcal{S}})$  be the template pool metric space (Definition 9.15). For  $\varepsilon > 0$  define the covering number

$$\mathcal{N}(\varepsilon) := \min\{m : \exists s_1, \dots, s_m \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}} \text{ with } \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}} \subseteq \cup_{j=1}^m B_{\varepsilon}(s_j)\}.$$

Define the effective covering dimension

$$d_{\text{eff}} := \limsup_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{\log \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon)}{\log(1/\varepsilon)}.$$

Operationally, a two-scale estimator uses  $\varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$  and  $\hat{d} = \frac{\log \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon_1) - \log \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon_2)}{\log(\varepsilon_2/\varepsilon_1)}$ .

**Proposition 9.3** ([Model] log-log slope test). Assume a Hölder-type transfer modulus  $\omega(\varepsilon) \approx L\varepsilon^{\alpha}$  on window  $K$  and covering control  $\varepsilon_N \asymp N^{-1/d_{\text{eff}}}$  where  $d_{\text{eff}}$  is estimated from the pool metric (Definition 9.22). Then, in an asymptotic regime,

$$G(N, \tau; K) \asymp N^{-\alpha/d_{\text{eff}}}.$$

The slope  $\alpha/d_{\text{eff}}$  is estimable by linear regression on  $\log \hat{G}$  vs  $\log N$  with uncertainty from Theorem 9.1, together with a separate estimate of  $d_{\text{eff}}$  from pool covering numbers.

#### 9.7.5 P3: Atlas holonomy with probes (groupoid on kernels)

**Definition 9.23** (Kernel action on measures). Let  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$  be measurable and let  $K$  be a Markov kernel on  $Y$ . Let **Prob** denote the category whose objects are measurable spaces and whose morphisms are Markov kernels. For a probability measure  $\nu \in \text{Prob}(Y)$  define its pushforward by  $K$  as

$$K_{\#}\nu(A) := \int_Y K(A | y) d\nu(y), \quad A \in \mathcal{B}.$$

If  $K$  is an isomorphism in **Prob**, then  $K_{\#} : \text{Prob}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Prob}(Y)$  is bijective.

**Definition 9.24** (Probe-set holonomy magnitude (section + operator tests)). Fix a finite probe set  $\{o_{\ell}\}_{\ell=1}^L \subseteq \mathcal{O}_r$  and a distance  $d$  on  $\text{Prob}(Y_{o_{\ell}})$  (e.g.  $d_{\text{TV}}$ ,  $W_1$ , or MMD). Let  $h_{ijk, o_{\ell}}$  denote the component of the atlas cocycle acting on  $\text{Prob}(Y_{o_{\ell}})$  and interpret its action by pushforward (Definition 9.23).

(Section-based magnitude) Define

$$\Delta_{ijk}^{\text{sec}} := \sum_{\ell=1}^L d(T_i(o_{\ell}), (h_{ijk, o_{\ell}})_{\#} T_i(o_{\ell})).$$

**(Operator-detecting magnitude)** Fix, for each  $\ell$ , a finite family of test measures  $\{\nu_{\ell,m}\}_{m=1}^{M_\ell} \subseteq \text{Prob}(Y_{o_\ell})$  (“probe measures”). Define

$$\Delta_{ijk}^{\text{op}} := \sum_{\ell=1}^L \sum_{m=1}^{M_\ell} d(\nu_{\ell,m}, (h_{ijk,o_\ell})_{\#} \nu_{\ell,m}).$$

Finally set  $\Delta_{ijk}^{\text{atlas}} := \Delta_{ijk}^{\text{sec}} + \Delta_{ijk}^{\text{op}}$ . This detects holonomy even when the particular predicted section  $T_i(o_\ell)$  is fixed by  $h_{ijk,o_\ell}$ .

**Empirical estimator (samples).** For each probe  $o_\ell$ , obtain sample batches from  $T_i(o_\ell)$  and from  $(h_{ijk,T_i})(o_\ell)$  by simulating kernels. Estimate  $d$  by empirical TV/Wasserstein/MMD; attach bootstrap confidence intervals.

### 9.7.6 P4: Zipper vs protocol holonomy correlation test (bridge H1 as an experiment)

**Definition 9.25** (Operational correlation observable). Fix a family of resource settings producing zipper signatures  $\Sigma_{\text{zip}}(\mathcal{E}, o)$  and protocol holonomy magnitudes  $\Delta_{\odot}$ . Define the correlation functional

$$\text{Corr} := \text{corr}(\mathbf{1}[\Sigma_{\text{zip}} \text{ stable on } I], \Delta_{\odot}),$$

where stability is defined by a declared tolerance in  $\kappa$ , merge-tree edit distance on  $\text{MT}_I$ , and hitting-time deviation.

*Remark 9.7* (Falsifiable bridge). Conjecture 7.1 becomes an experimentally checkable implication: “stability of  $\Sigma_{\text{zip}}$ ”  $\Rightarrow$  “ $\Delta_{\odot} \approx 0$ ” in the tested regime.

### 9.7.7 P5: CNF-to-volume calibration node

**Definition 9.26** (Discrete-to-continuous embedding calibration). For a discrete CNF  $F$  on  $\{0, 1\}^n$ , embed assignments into  $[0, 1]^n$  by mapping each vertex to its unit cube cell. Let  $K = [0, 1]^n$  and let  $\mu$  be Lebesgue measure. Then  $\text{Vol}_K(\text{Mod}(F))$  equals  $\#\text{SAT}(F) \cdot 2^{-n}$  exactly in this embedding.

*Remark 9.8* (Purpose). This node provides a sanity check for Monte Carlo volume estimators and connects the CNF/cGCNF node to the window-volume node.

## 9.8 Pre-registered falsification patterns (diagnostics)

### 9.9 Pre-registered protocols (decision rules with error bars)

**Definition 9.27** (Pre-registration schema). For each experiment  $P \in \{P1, \dots, P5\}$ , a pre-registration is the tuple

$$\Pi_P = (\text{Input}, \text{Output}, \widehat{\text{Est}}, \text{ErrBar}, \text{Null}, \text{Alt}, \text{Decision}),$$

where:

- **Input** fixes the harness (window  $K$ , distribution  $\mu_\Theta$ , pool/banks, probes),
- **Output** names the target observable(s)  $(G, \Delta_{\odot}, \Delta^{\text{atlas}})$ ,
- $\widehat{\text{Est}}$  specifies the estimator (e.g. Theorem 9.1),
- **ErrBar** specifies an auditable error bar (Hoeffding or ESS-adjusted),
- **Null** and **Alt** are mutually exclusive inequalities to test,

- *Decision is a threshold rule with declared confidence.*

**Definition 9.28** (Example: P1 commutation test). *Fix start state  $c_0$ , two protocols  $p_1, p_2$  (Definition 9.20), window  $K$ , and sample size  $T$ . Let  $\hat{\Delta}_T$  be the Monte Carlo estimator of  $\Delta_{\odot}(p_1, p_2; K)$ . Declare error bar  $\epsilon_T$  such that*

$$\Pr(|\hat{\Delta}_T - \Delta_{\odot}| \geq \epsilon_T) \leq \eta.$$

*A concrete choice under i.i.d. is  $\epsilon_T := \mu_{\Theta}(K) \sqrt{\frac{\log(2/\eta)}{2T}}$  (Theorem 9.1). Define:*

$$\text{Null} : \Delta_{\odot}(p_1, p_2; K) = 0, \quad \text{Alt} : \Delta_{\odot}(p_1, p_2; K) \geq \Delta_{\min}.$$

*Decision rule: accept Alt if  $\hat{\Delta}_T - \epsilon_T \geq \Delta_{\min}$ ; otherwise do not reject Null.*

*Remark 9.9* (Additional pre-registrations). Analogous pre-registrations are defined for P2 (log-log slope test), P3 (atlas operator test using probe measures  $\nu_{\ell, m}$ ), P4 (correlation threshold), and P5 (CNF-to-volume exactness check).

**Definition 9.29** (Holonomy-gap diagnostic). *In the finite-bank harness, measure both  $G$  and  $\Delta_{\odot}$  along a bank-sweep  $N \uparrow$ . Declare:*

$$(D1) \quad G \rightarrow 0 \wedge \Delta_{\odot} \not\rightarrow 0 \implies \text{additional non-commutativity source (new node/edge required)}.$$

*Remark 9.10* (Network-expansive response rule). When (D1) occurs, extend the net by adding an explicit node capturing the extra source (e.g. optimizer state, discretization, numerical tolerances), and re-type refinements as morphisms acting on that node. This preserves consistency while expanding explanatory power.

## 10 Physics/Tech Case Studies (end-to-end harness instantiations)

*Remark 10.1* (Case studies are instantiation templates). The case studies in this section are *schemas* mapping standard scientific pipelines into the closure-net types. They are not presented as new physics claims; their role is to specify exactly what would be measured (certified sets, gray zones, holonomy magnitudes) under a frozen, pre-registered experimental node.

### 10.1 Case Study A: Materials stability under competing phases

**Definition 10.1** (Materials harness). *Let  $\Theta$  be a measurable parameter space of material candidates (e.g. compositions, structures, thermodynamic settings), with window  $K \subseteq \Theta$  and sampling measure  $\mu_{\Theta}(\cdot | K)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  be a large pool of competing phases or competing decompositions. For each  $s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$ , define a measurable violation score*

$$F_s(\theta) := \Delta E_s(\theta),$$

*interpreted as an energy-above-competitor quantity (lower is better). Fix a margin  $\tau > 0$  (stability slack) and define the ideal stability region*

$$E_{\tau} := \{\theta \in \Theta : \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}} F_s(\theta) \leq -\tau\}.$$

*For a finite competitor-bank instance  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$ , define the finite-bank certified region*

$$E(\mathcal{S}, \tau) := \{\theta \in \Theta : \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} F_s(\theta) \leq -\tau\}.$$

**Definition 10.2** (Materials refinement programs). *A certificate state is  $c = (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi)$  where  $\xi$  records the selection rule, random seeds, surrogate-model state, and stopping criteria. Define:*

(A1) Tighten step  $\text{Tighten}_\delta : (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) \mapsto (\mathcal{S}, \tau + \delta, \xi)$ .

(A2) Augment step  $\text{Aug} : (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) \mapsto (\mathcal{S} \cup \{s^*\}, \tau, \xi')$  where

$$s^* \in \arg \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}} \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot | K)} [\max(F_s(\theta) + \tau, 0)],$$

and  $\xi'$  updates the selection trace.

The augment rule is history-dependent through  $\xi$  and through the empirical objective approximated from finite samples.

**Definition 10.3** (Pre-registered material protocols). Fix  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  augment steps and  $\delta > 0$ . From a common start  $c_0 = (\mathcal{S}_0, \tau_0, \xi_0)$  define two protocols:

$$p_1 := \text{Aug}^m \circ \text{Tighten}_\delta, \quad p_2 := \text{Tighten}_\delta \circ \text{Aug}^m.$$

Let  $E_{p_i}$  be the resulting certified set in  $\Theta$  produced by executing  $p_i$ . Define normalized holonomy and gray-zone observables using Definition 9.10:

$$\tilde{\Delta}_\circ(p_1, p_2 | K) := \mu_\Theta^K(E_{p_1} \triangle E_{p_2}), \quad \tilde{G}(\mathcal{S}, \tau | K) := \mu_\Theta^K(E_\tau \setminus E(\mathcal{S}, \tau)).$$

**Proposition 10.1** ([Model] Materials holonomy-gap diagnostic). In the materials harness, perform a bank sweep (increasing  $|\mathcal{S}|$ ) while recording  $\tilde{G}$  and  $\tilde{\Delta}_\circ$ . If  $\tilde{G} \rightarrow 0$  but  $\tilde{\Delta}_\circ \not\rightarrow 0$ , then the observed non-commutativity is not explained by finite competitor coverage alone and must be attributed to additional program state  $\xi$  (e.g. surrogate bias, adaptive sampling, numerical tolerances), which is represented by a new node/edge in the closure net.

## 10.2 Case Study B: Collider analysis pipeline

**Definition 10.4** (Collider harness). Let  $D$  denote a dataset of binned observables (histograms) and let  $\Theta$  be a measurable parameter space of interest (signal strengths, EFT coefficients, nuisance parameters). Fix a window  $K \subseteq \Theta$  and sampling measure  $\mu_\Theta(\cdot | K)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  be a pool of systematic variations and simulation configurations. For each  $s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  and analysis configuration  $\xi$  (cuts, calibrations, unfolding choices), define a measurable discrepancy score

$$F_s(\theta; \xi) := \chi^2(D, \hat{D}_s(\theta; \xi)),$$

where  $\hat{D}_s(\theta; \xi)$  is the predicted binned distribution under variation  $s$ . For a finite bank  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  and tolerance  $\tau > 0$ , define the certified region

$$E(\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) := \{\theta \in \Theta : \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} F_s(\theta; \xi) \leq \tau\}.$$

**Definition 10.5** (Pipeline refinements as programs). A certificate state is  $c = (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi)$  where  $\xi$  includes: cut thresholds, calibration constants, unfolding regularization, and random seeds. Define:

(B1) Tighten step  $\text{Tighten}_\delta : (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) \mapsto (\mathcal{S}, \tau - \delta, \xi)$  (stricter agreement), or alternatively  $\xi \mapsto \xi'$  as stricter cuts.

(B2) Augment step  $\text{Aug} : (\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) \mapsto (\mathcal{S} \cup \{s^*\}, \tau, \xi')$  selecting

$$s^* \in \arg \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}} \setminus \mathcal{S}} \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot | K)} [\max(F_s(\theta; \xi) - \tau, 0)].$$

Non-commutativity arises because  $F_s(\cdot; \xi)$  depends on  $\xi$ , and  $\xi$  changes under tightening.

**Definition 10.6** (Pre-registered collider holonomy test). *Fix a start state  $c_0 = (\mathcal{S}_0, \tau_0, \xi_0)$  and two protocols  $p_1, p_2$  (tighten-then-augment vs augment-then-tighten). Estimate  $\tilde{\Delta}_\odot(p_1, p_2 \mid K)$  by sampling  $\theta_t \sim \mu_\Theta(\cdot \mid K)$  and computing*

$$\hat{\Delta}_T = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{1}[\theta_t \in E_{p_1} \triangle E_{p_2}],$$

*with Hoeffding error bars from Theorem 9.2. Declare holonomy-detection at confidence  $1 - \eta$  if the lower confidence bound exceeds a pre-registered tolerance  $\varepsilon_{\text{hol}} > 0$ .*

### 10.3 Case Study C: Gravitational-wave coherence across detectors

**Definition 10.7** (GW multi-detector coherence harness). *Let  $D = \{d_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \{\text{H1,L1,V1}, \dots\}}$  be calibrated strain time series from multiple detectors. Let  $\Theta$  parameterize waveform families and nuisance degrees of freedom; fix window  $K \subseteq \Theta$  and sampling  $\mu_\Theta(\cdot \mid K)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  be a pool of stress tests (glitch models, noise nonstationarity segments, calibration perturbations). For  $s \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$  and analysis state  $\xi$  (PSD estimation, windowing, vetoes), define*

$$F_s(\theta; \xi) := \max_{\alpha} \text{Res}(d_\alpha, h_\alpha(\cdot; \theta); s, \xi),$$

*a measurable residual statistic (e.g. normalized energy in the whitened residual, or negative log-likelihood gap). Define the certified region*

$$E(\mathcal{S}, \tau, \xi) := \{\theta : \sup_{s \in \mathcal{S}} F_s(\theta; \xi) \leq \tau\}.$$

*Bank augmentation adds stress tests; tightening increases coherence requirements by decreasing  $\tau$  or strengthening vetoes in  $\xi$ . The holonomy observable  $\tilde{\Delta}_\odot(p_1, p_2 \mid K)$  is defined as in Definition 9.10.*

**Remark 10.2** (Utility). Case Studies A–C instantiate the same abstract observables  $(\tilde{G}, \tilde{\Delta}_\odot)$  in three domains. They operationalize “network expansion” as a diagnostic tool: persistent holonomy after gray-zone collapse forces an explicit new node/edge for the missing mechanism.

### 10.4 Reproducibility bundle (artifact node)

**Definition 10.8** (Artifact bundle). *A reproducibility artifact bundle for a case study is a tuple*

$$\text{Art} = (\text{DataID}, \text{CodeID}, \text{SeedLog}, \text{Params}, \text{Report}),$$

*where:*

- (R1) **DataID** identifies the dataset snapshot (DOI/run list/hash) and preprocessing recipe.
- (R2) **CodeID** identifies code version (commit hash/container digest) implementing membership oracles for  $E(\cdot)$ , protocols, and estimators.
- (R3) **SeedLog** records all randomness: seeds, initial banks  $\mathcal{S}_0$ , and augmentation traces.
- (R4) **Params** records  $(K, \mu_\Theta(\cdot \mid K), \tau_0, \delta, m, \varepsilon_{\text{hol}}, \eta)$  and the distance choice for atlas probes.
- (R5) **Report** contains  $\hat{\tilde{G}}$  and  $\hat{\tilde{\Delta}}$  with confidence intervals and the pre-registered decisions (Definition 9.12).

**Remark 10.3** (Minimal public data anchors). The case studies admit concrete public anchors without changing the formalism:

- (A1) Materials: a public DFT repository snapshot plus a fixed competitor-pool extraction rule for  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{pool}}$ .
- (A2) Collider: a public HEP open-data release plus a fixed histogramming + simulation/systematics pool definition.
- (A3) GW: a public calibrated strain release plus a fixed residual statistic and a fixed stress-test pool definition.

The manuscript treats these anchors as *parameters* of Art; theorems depend only on measurability and the sampling contract.

## .1 Case Study D: Lattice QCD systematics as protocol holonomy (instantiation template)

Let  $\Theta$  parameterize a lattice ensemble family (lattice spacing  $a$ , box size  $L$ , quark masses, and algorithmic tolerances). Let a “bank”  $\mathcal{S}_N$  be a finite set of gauge configurations / solver initializations / multistart heuristics used to certify a target observable, e.g. a hadron mass estimator  $M_p(\theta)$  with a robustness margin  $\tau$  on residuals or fit quality.

**Two refinement protocols.** A typical non-commuting square is:

$$p_1 : \text{increase statistics/bank} \Rightarrow \text{continuum extrapolation} \Rightarrow \text{chiral extrapolation}, \quad p_2 : \text{increase statistics/}$$

Execute both as program paths in  $\mathcal{I}^{\text{prog}}$  with fixed, pre-registered auxiliary state  $\xi$  (seeds, fit priors, stopping rules), and compare the resulting certified parameter sets or certified output intervals via  $\hat{\Delta}_{\odot}$ . A nonzero value quantifies systematic path dependence under finite resources, in the same operational sense as in the finite-bank black-hole setting.

**Falsifiable prediction skeleton.** Under a transfer modulus  $\omega(\varepsilon_N)$  and stable extrapolation maps, one expects  $\hat{\Delta}_{\odot} \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , with a rate controlled by  $\omega(\varepsilon_N)$  and the effective dimension of the banked configuration/template space (Section 5).

## A Provenance and scope

- Added typed refinement category  $\mathcal{I}$  and functor  $E$ ; replaced untyped inverse-commutator by square-comparison holonomy (Defs. 2.11–2.14).
- Added prediction functors into the Markov-kernel category and typed atlas transitions as a groupoid of natural isomorphisms (Defs. 2.16–2.20).
- Resolved notation collision by renaming the cGCNF ambient product space to  $\mathcal{X}$  (no change in meaning).
- Extended holes list to include the missing bridge between bank-certified parameter sets and prediction kernels.

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