

Recursive Coherence Language Model (RCLM): Architecture & Pipeline

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Abstract

The architecture and pipeline of a Recursive Coherence Model, is built atop a standard Transformer engine and augmented with a recursive coherence controller. The controller operates on a density-like state derived from objective and subjective projections of hidden representations, explicitly optimizing entropy reduction and coherence amplification under task constraints. We outline modules, operators, training objectives, inference loop, and scaling considerations, and provide a practical implementation sketch in

Introduction

A recursive coherence model, using a quantum physics based mathematical framework of (informational/shannon and quantum informational / von neuman + thermodynamic) entropy reduction through recursive quantum coherence

Using the structure as

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language >
objectivity and subjectivity >>
definitiveness and ambiguity >>>
coherence and entropy >>>>
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Contents

0) One-screen blueprint (from input → output)

Text → tokens → Transformer encoder/decoder → dual projections (objective / subjective) → density/state merge → RC loop (entropy↓, coherence↑) with halting → readout → logits → decode.

1) Modules (concept → concrete)

Language → tokenizer + embeddings + base Transformer (engine).

Objectivity / Subjectivity → two learned projections of hidden states:

$$\psi^{(O)} = P_O h, \quad \psi^{(S)} = P_S h \tag{1}$$

(per token or per segment).

Definitiveness / Ambiguity → mixed state:

$$\rho_0 = \alpha \psi^{(O)} \psi^{(O)\top} + (1 - \alpha) \psi^{(S)} \psi^{(S)\top}, \quad \text{Tr}(\rho_0) = 1 \quad (2)$$

(real or complex).

Coherence / Entropy (RC core) → iterative operator:

$$\rho_{t+1} = \Lambda_\theta(\rho_t, h, \text{meta}) \quad (3)$$

Halt via learned policy or metric threshold.

2) State, metrics, and operators

Entropies Shannon (on probabilities p):

$$H(p) = - \sum_i p_i \log p_i \quad (4)$$

von Neumann (on state ρ):

$$S(\rho) = -\text{Tr}(\rho \log \rho) \quad (5)$$

Coherence (two common choices) Relative entropy of coherence:

$$C_{\text{rel}}(\rho) = S(\rho_{\text{diag}}) - S(\rho) \quad (6)$$

ℓ_1 -coherence:

$$C_{\ell_1}(\rho) = \sum_{i \neq j} |\rho_{ij}| \quad (7)$$

Task-aware free energy With POVM $\{M_j\}$,

$$E(\rho) \approx -\log \text{Tr}(M_y \rho), \quad F_T(\rho) = E(\rho) - T C_{\text{rel}}(\rho), \quad (8)$$

where T trades accuracy vs. coherence.

RC update (examples) *Gradient-like descent* with projection Π (to PSD, unit-trace):

$$\rho_{t+1} = \Pi[\rho_t - \eta \nabla_\rho(E(\rho_t) - T C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_t))] \quad (9)$$

Learned map (CPTP-like):

$$\rho_{t+1} = \sum_k A_k(\phi) \rho_t A_k(\phi)^\top, \quad \sum_k A_k^\top A_k = I \quad (10)$$

where ϕ summarizes h , step t , and meta.

Halting Metric stop: $|S(\rho_{t+1}) - S(\rho_t)| < \varepsilon$ or $\Delta F_T < \varepsilon$. Learned stop: $\pi_{\text{halt}}(\rho_t, h)$.

Readout to logits

$$p(j) = \text{Tr}(M_j \rho_T), \quad \sum_j M_j = I, \quad M_j \succeq 0 \quad (11)$$

(In practice, a linear map $\text{vec}(\rho_T) \rightarrow \text{logits}$ also works.)

Paper-ready fusion readout (single-line, boxed)

$$u_t = \text{vec}(\rho_t^*)^\top W_r + V h_t, \quad p_\theta(x_{t+1}) = \text{softmax}(W_o u_t) \quad (12)$$

where ρ_t^* is the converged/last RC state at step t .

Notation

Symbol	Type / Shape	Meaning
$x_{1:n}$	tokens	Input token sequence.
h	\mathbb{R}^d (or \mathbb{C}^d)	Transformer hidden representation (pooled or per-step summary used by RC).
P_O, P_S	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	Learned projections for objective and subjective views.
$\psi^{(O)}, \psi^{(S)}$	\mathbb{R}^d	Projected views: $\psi^{(O)} = P_O h, \psi^{(S)} = P_S h$.
α	$[0, 1]$	Mixture weight for density assembly.
ρ	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ (PSD, $\text{Tr}(\rho) = 1$)	Density-like state; RC operates on ρ_t .
ρ_0	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	Init: $\rho_0 = \alpha \psi^{(O)} \psi^{(O)\top} + (1 - \alpha) \psi^{(S)} \psi^{(S)\top}$.
U	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$	Low-rank factor ($r \ll d$) with $\rho \approx UU^\top$.
M_j	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ (PSD)	Readout operators (POVM-like), $\sum_j M_j = I$.
I	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	Identity.
$p(j)$	$[0, 1]$	Token probability: $p(j) = \text{Tr}(M_j \rho_T)$.
u_t	\mathbb{R}^m	Fusion feature: $u_t = \text{vec}(\rho_t^*)^\top W_r + V h_t$.
W_r, V, W_o	matrices	Readout/fusion parameters; $p_\theta(x_{t+1}) = \text{softmax}(W_o u_t)$.
Λ_θ	map	RC update: $\rho_{t+1} = \Lambda_\theta(\rho_t, h, \text{meta})$.
$A_k(\phi)$	$\mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$	Kraus-like factors; $\sum_k A_k^\top A_k = I$.
ϕ	feature vector	Summary features for RC (e.g., h, t, meta).
$\Pi(\cdot)$	projection	Projection to the PSD, unit-trace set.
$E(\rho)$	scalar	Task-energy surrogate, e.g., $-\log \text{Tr}(M_y \rho)$.
$S(\rho)$	scalar	von Neumann entropy: $S(\rho) = -\text{Tr}(\rho \log \rho)$.
$C_{\text{rel}}(\rho)$	scalar	Relative entropy of coherence: $S(\rho_{\text{diag}}) - S(\rho)$.
$C_{\ell_1}(\rho)$	scalar	ℓ_1 coherence: $\sum_{i \neq j} \rho_{ij} $.
$F_T(\rho)$	scalar	Coherence-aware free energy: $E(\rho) - T C_{\text{rel}}(\rho)$.
T	$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	Temperature.
η	$\mathbb{R}_{>0}$	Step size.
ε	$\mathbb{R}_{>0}$	Halt tolerance.
π_{halt}	policy	Learned halting head $\pi_{\text{halt}}(\rho_t, h)$.
t, T	ints	RC step index and max steps.
d, r	ints	Hidden dim and low-rank factor ($r \ll d$).
$\text{vec}(\cdot)$	operator	Vectorization of a matrix.

Basis note. ρ_{diag} is taken in a fixed computational basis aligned with the readout.

3) Training objectives

Base NLL

$$L_{\text{NLL}} = - \sum_t \log p_\theta(x_t | x_{<t}) \quad (13)$$

RC regularizers Free-energy schedule:

$$L_{\text{FE}} = \sum_t F_T(\rho_t) \quad (14)$$

Monotonicity (encourage $S \downarrow$, $C_{\text{rel}} \uparrow$):

$$L_{\text{mono}} = \sum_t \left[\max(0, S(\rho_{t+1}) - S(\rho_t)) + \max(0, C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_t) - C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_{t+1})) \right] \quad (15)$$

Optional O/S supervision (DPO/IPO-style); stability/CPTP penalties.

Total loss (example)

$$L = L_{\text{NLL}} + \lambda_{\text{FE}} L_{\text{FE}} + \lambda_{\text{mono}} L_{\text{mono}} + \lambda_{\text{stab}} L_{\text{stab}} + \lambda_{O/S} L_{O/S}. \quad (16)$$

4) Forward pass (inference) — minimal loop

1. Encode $h = \text{Transformer}(x_{1:n})$.
2. Dual heads: $(\psi^{(O)}, \psi^{(S)}) = (P_O h, P_S h)$; normalize.
3. Initialize: $\rho_0 = \alpha \psi^{(O)} \psi^{(O)\top} + (1 - \alpha) \psi^{(S)} \psi^{(S)\top}$.
4. RC loop ($t = 0, \dots, T - 1$): $\rho_{t+1} = \Lambda_\theta(\rho_t, h, \text{meta})$; check halt.
5. Readout: *fusion* eq. above; decode via softmax.

5) Where RC attaches (three useful placements)

- **Outer loop (default):** after final layer on a compact summary of h (lowest latency hit).
- **Interleaved blocks:** a small RC step every k Transformer layers (good for long-context reasoning).
- **Head-only:** RC on a pooled token (e.g., BOS) for global planning (cheap/effective).

6) Data signals for O/S heads

Objective seeds: retrieval/citations, executable code tests, unit proof checks.

Subjective seeds: style, stance, hedging, valence, ambiguity in instructions.

Weak supervision: self-play pairs (more/less definitive), RAG correctness checks, programmatic detectors.

7) Evaluation (beyond standard benchmarks)

- ΔS per step: distribution of $S(\rho_t) - S(\rho_{t+1})$.
- Coherence lift: $C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_T) - C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_0)$.
- Quality vs. steps: accuracy/BLEU/Pass@k vs. T (elbow/auto-halt detection).
- Stability: PSD violations, trace drift; variance under small prompt perturbations.
- Thermo lens: do F_T trajectories correlate with correctness?

8) Scaling & systems

Cost control: low-rank $\rho = UU^\top$, $U \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$, $r \ll d$; update $U \Rightarrow O(dr)$ memory.

Batching: share KV-cache from engine; RC loop is a lightweight MLP/Kraus mixer.

Latency knobs: T_{max} , temperature T , rank r ; enable early-halt.

Quantization: keep engine int8/int4; run RC in bf16/fp16 for numerical stability.

9) Minimal math to “summarize the whole thing”

(A) Density assembly

$$\rho_0 = \alpha \psi^{(O)} \psi^{(O)\top} + (1 - \alpha) \psi^{(S)} \psi^{(S)\top}, \quad \text{Tr}(\rho_0) = 1 \quad (17)$$

(B) Coherence-aware free-energy descent (one step)

$$\rho_{t+1} = \Pi \left[\rho_t - \eta \nabla_\rho \left(\underbrace{E(\rho_t)}_{\text{task loss}} - T \underbrace{C_{\text{rel}}(\rho_t)}_{\text{coherence}} \right) \right] \quad (18)$$

(C) Readout to token probabilities

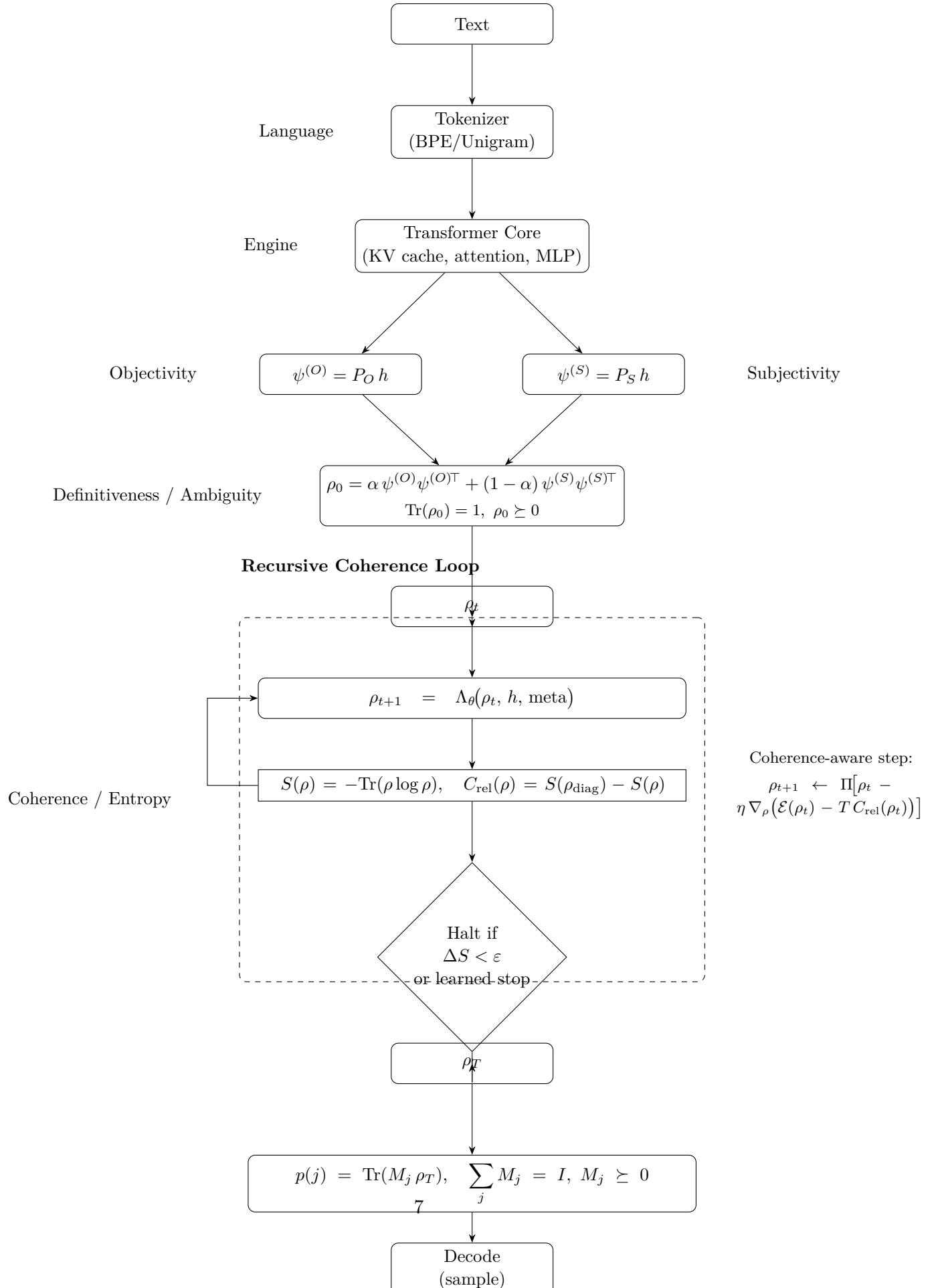
$$p(j) = \text{Tr}(M_j \rho_T), \quad \sum_j M_j = I, \quad M_j \succeq 0 \quad (19)$$

10) Practical implementation sketch (PyTorch)

1. Compute h with your Transformer.
2. Two linear heads $\rightarrow \psi^{(O)}, \psi^{(S)}$; normalize.
3. Rank- r construction: $U = [\alpha \psi^{(O)}, (1 - \alpha) \psi^{(S)}]$ (+ optional learned projector to widen rank).

4. RC block: tiny MLP $\rightarrow K$ Kraus-like factors (or ΔU); project to PSD and trace-1.
5. Learned halt head; cap T_{\max} .
6. Fusion readout (boxed): tie/untie W_o with embeddings as desired.

Engineering tip. Keep RC outside the base network to switch RC on/off, tune T , cap steps T_{\max} , and manage latency/quality trade-offs.



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