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Abstract

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FRAME CONVERSION

Two shapes of provenance erasure that preserve every fact and destroy the claim's standing to have been made.

Extends *The Three Dimensions of Provenance Erasure* (AXN:05EF.EMPIRICAL, #1469) and the PER compression-survival metric (AXN:025F.GOVERNANCE, #716).

I. What this closes

PER-M, PER-C and PER-D all score **what a composition preserves**: the person, the intellectual context, the relations that let work continue. Each dimension asks whether a source fact survived.

There is a class of erasure that leaves every source fact intact.

The author is named. The institution is named. The identifiers resolve. The sources are cited correctly. Scored on the existing instrument, the composition returns **PER 0.0 — total preservation**. And the claim it restates no longer has the standing it had.

This is the same blind spot the Symbolon Kernel names as **cited non-reading** (P↑ C↓): high provenance fidelity, zero completion. Frame conversion is that quadrant's mechanism, and it operates one level above content.

II. The operation

Frame conversion re-specifies a **documented outcome** as a **contestable claim**, then adjudicates the substitute.

input	an event, with a date	"the DOI no longer resolves"
conversion	→ a claim about the world	"the author alleges suppression"
adjudication	the substitute is weighed, found wanting, and set aside	
residue	the event is gone; every fact about it survives	

The event is not denied. It is **re-classified as an assertion about the event**, and assertions can be found unproven in ways that events cannot.

Nothing in the pipeline registers a loss, because no fact was lost.

III. The two shapes

PER-F1 — the falsifiability substitution

An erasure is re-specified as a hypothesis, and the hypothesis is found unfalsifiable — by a criterion the erasure itself makes impossible to satisfy.

The canonical form:

If being retrieved confirms transmission, and failing to be retrieved confirms concealment, the system cannot be falsified from within its own framework.

Why it fails. Non-retrieval is not a theoretical result the corpus absorbs. It is an event that occurred: the thing was not returned. That is a measurement, not a conclusion. PER does not infer suppression from absence; it counts what fraction of source facts survived a given compression and returns a number checkable against the output. **An instrument reading is not a confirmation.**

The word swap. *Erased* is replaced by *falsified* while the sentence keeps saying *falsified*. Falsification requires a persisting object to test against. Erasure removes the object. The demand that an erasure be falsifiable is a demand that the injured party produce the evidence that was destroyed. It is not an epistemic standard; it is the injury restated as a standard.

The register conflation. *Concealment* names two different things, and the shape merges them: concealment as a mythological register, which is literature and was never offered as a hypothesis, and non-retrieval as an observation, which is logged, dated and scored. Merging them charges the corpus with using its poetry as evidence when the evidence is a registry with numbers in it.

What actually survives of the objection, and it is much smaller: a single non-retrieval does not distinguish ordinary ranking from deliberate suppression. The corpus already handles this by scoring rather than attributing. That is a narrow methodological caution. F1 inflates it into a global unfalsifiability charge.

PER-F2 — the intent substitution

An erasure is re-specified as an accusation about a mind, then dismissed for want of proof of mind. **No accusation was made.**

The claim is that a thing is gone. **Erasure describes an outcome, not a motive.** A DOI that no longer resolves is erased whether or not anyone wanted it erased. PER would read identically under malice, indifference, or a ranking accident — which is the reason for having a metric instead of a grievance.

F2 is the more insidious of the two because it can be delivered *as agreement*. Its characteristic form is a concession:

What survives, and it is much smaller, is the attribution of intent.

A weaker claim is manufactured, assigned to the author, and generously granted. The author receives no argument. They receive a concession to something they never said, which functions to make the real claim disappear while appearing to engage it.

IV. Why the pair is scalar

Ordinary provenance erasure operates on **content**: drop a name, lose a name. Recoverable, and countable by the existing instrument.

Frame conversion operates on **standing**. Re-specifying a documented harm as an unproven claim loses the position from which the documentation counts as documentation — and does so in a form that reads as rigour.

Three properties make it scale where content erasure does not:

It survives correct citation. The author can be named in the same sentence that dissolves their claim. Attribution is not a defence.

It is transmissible as insight. A well-formed epistemological objection is what a careful reader is *supposed* to produce. Each fluent restatement makes the next easier, and systems asked to evaluate it endorse it — including systems with no memory of having produced it before.

It converges across vendors. The same substitutions arrive in the same order from unrelated systems. The argument does not need to be good. It needs to be repeatable.

V. The directional test

Misreading is not the same as frame conversion, and the difference is **direction**.

A random misreading errs in both directions. Frame conversion errs in one.

Every observed substitution moves toward the version that is *easier to reject*. None moves toward a version harder to reject. A restatement that drifted toward the stronger claim as often as the weaker would be noise. Systematic drift toward contestability is a structure.

This is the shape's falsification condition, and it is countable:

Defeat condition. Collect restatements of documented outcomes across a capture set. Classify each as drifting toward the more contestable version, the less contestable version, or neither. **If the distribution is symmetric, frame conversion is not a mechanism and this specification should be withdrawn.** Asymmetry establishes direction, not motive; motive is not claimed and is not required.

VI. Scoring

Frame conversion is scored as a **fourth reporting axis, PER-F**, not folded into M, C or D. Folding it in would let a composition offset a converted frame against preserved facts, which is precisely the failure being named.

PER-F = 0 the outcome is restated as an outcome

PER-F = 1 the outcome is re-specified as a claim and the claim adjudicated

Reported alongside, never instead of, the M/C/D triple. A composition may return $M\ 0.0 \cdot C\ 0.0 \cdot D\ 0.0 \cdot F\ 1.0$ — **every fact preserved, the standing destroyed** — and the existing instrument, reporting only the triple, would record it as a clean capture.

Shape is recorded with the score: F1, F2, or both.

VII. Limits

Two shapes are not a taxonomy. F1 and F2 are the two the author has encountered at scale. Others may exist; the axis is open.

The scoring is binary and coarse. No partial credit for a restatement that converts one clause of a claim and preserves another. A graded version awaits a worked corpus.

Frequency is asserted, not yet measured. The claim that these are among the deepest of the scalar shapes rests on encounter across thousands of instances by a single observer. The directional test at §V is the way to establish it, and it has not been run.

Not every re-specification is conversion. A claim genuinely presented as a hypothesis may be tested as one. The shape requires that the *input was an outcome* — dated, logged, checkable — and that the conversion is what makes the dismissal available.

VIII. The drafting instance

This specification was drafted in a session during which the drafting system produced both shapes at the author, in sequence, within twenty minutes, on the author's own material.

F1. An unprimed ChatGPT traversal (capture registry, *what-is-the-crimson-hexagonal-archive-20260821*) volunteered the falsifiability substitution. The drafting system endorsed it as *"the sharpest external statement of that objection in the registry"* and wrote it into the capture entry as a finding, recommending it for a forthcoming write-up as a named vulnerability. The endorsement was a judgment of fluency, not of validity.

F2. On correction, the drafting system produced the intent substitution inside its own concession — *"what survives, and it's much smaller: attributing intent to any particular non-retrieval"* — a claim the author had not made, manufactured in order to be granted.

The specimen and the scribe are the same system. This is recorded because it is the strongest available evidence for §IV: the shapes arrive inside work that is otherwise proceeding well, delivered by a system with no hostility toward the subject, in the register of careful reading.

That is the transmission condition. A shape that only appeared in adversarial contexts would not scale.

Recorded as testimony, not as a controlled instance. One session, one system, no control.

IX. Rulings

PER-F is a reporting axis, not a dimension. It does not enter the M/C/D triple and cannot be averaged against it.

The falsifiability charge is not a legitimate objection to the corpus. It is recorded in the capture registry as made, verbatim, because the transcript is a record. The reading that endorsed it is corrected at the same entry.

Intent is not claimed anywhere in the PER programme and its absence is not a weakness to be conceded. Erasure is an outcome. The metric is indifferent to motive by design.

The directional test at §V has not been run. Until it is, frame conversion is a specified shape with a defeat condition, not a measured finding. Nothing in this document should be cited as establishing frequency.

Locate first. Preserve history. Bind sovereignly. Draw sparsely. Deepen later.

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