Invariant Temporal Ordering Framework V17: Implementation-Conditioned Domain-Realization Law under Invariant Ordered Succession

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Abstract

This paper formulates Version 17 of the Invariant Temporal Ordering Framework (ITOF) as an implementation-conditioned domain-realization law under invariant ordered succession. V15 established the temporal ontology of the framework by defining time as invariant ordered succession,

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec),$$

and by separating temporal ordering from measurable physical difference. V16 preserved that ontology and made residual comparison a test of physical-realization adequacy rather than direct evidence of temporal deformation.

V17 preserves both layers and executes their next consequence: measurable realization is fixed as implementation-conditioned domain realization. The central V17 law assigns measurable outcome within a bounded physical domain to system response organization, realized domain-specific influence profile, and surrounding physical environment:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

Here Θ_A denotes the response organization of system A, $\mathcal{E}_A^D$ denotes the realized domain-specific influence profile, and C_A denotes the surrounding physical environment or local physical context in which realization occurs. The inclusion of C_A is not an auxiliary detail; it is the implementation condition that allows the same response class or influence class to produce different realized outcomes under different local physical contexts.

The inclusion of C_A strengthens the physical-realization side of the framework without reopening temporal ontology. The environment is physical context, not time:

$$C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

Time remains excluded from physical influence-character:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\},$$

and from aggregated influence:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A.$$

V17 further develops response classes $[\Theta]_k$, high-level living and nonliving response classes, member-level variation, exceptional conditions Q_A, outcome modes $\mathcal{O}_A^D$, controllability, predictive comparison, model error, operational measurement structures G_{meas}, and relativistic-type reassignment.

Its central domain residual closure remains:

$$\delta_{A|B}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Measured asymmetry is preserved as real physical data, but its ontological assignment is fixed at the level of physical realization and operational measurement, not deformation of invariant temporal ordering.

Keywords: Invariant temporal ordering; physical realization; domain implementation; response organization; influence profiles; surrounding environment; residual reassignment; predictive closure; measurement structure; temporal ontology.

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1. Introduction: From V15 and V16 to Domain-Implemented Realization

The Invariant Temporal Ordering Framework (ITOF) is built on a strict distinction between temporal ordering and measurable physical realization. Measured change, clock differences, residual asymmetries, operational measurement, and domain-specific physical effects are preserved as physical data. The central claim is that such measured differences are not, by themselves, evidence of deformation of time itself.

The temporal ontology of ITOF is:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

Here S denotes the set of physically admissible states, and $\prec$ denotes invariant ordered succession among those states. In this formulation, time is not a material substance, field, energy, force, dynamical flow, physical influence, clock output, measurement geometry, or deformable observable. Time is the invariant ordering relation under which physical states are distinguishable as prior and subsequent.

For a measurable physical quantity,

$$X : S \to \mathbb{R},$$

the measurable difference between two ordered states is:

$$\Delta X_{ij} = X(S_j) - X(S_i).$$

The foundational distinction is:

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}.}$$

The left side belongs to temporal ontology. The right side belongs to physical realization. A physical system may change between ordered states, but the measured change is not the ordering relation itself.

V15 established this distinction and developed the residual reassignment architecture. For two systems A and B, a comparative measurable relation can be represented by:

$$R_{A|B} = \frac{\Delta X_A}{\Delta X_B},$$

with residual deviation:

$$\delta_{A|B} = R_{A|B} - 1.$$

V15 assigned such residuals to differential physical realization rather than temporal deformation:

$$\delta_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A, \mathcal{E}_B)\,,$$

with the central closure:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

A nonzero residual is not denied. It is assigned to the physical-realization layer.

V16 preserved the V15 temporal ontology and developed the predictive consequence of residual reassignment. If residuals belong to physical realization, then their calculated and observed forms can be compared within experimental or operational uncertainty:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}.$$

If this comparison fails,

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}},$$

the first implication is refinement of the physical-realization model, not deformation of time:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}} \nRightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The sequence entering V17 is therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{V15}:&\quad \text{temporal ontology and residual reassignment,}\\ \mathrm{V16}:&\quad \text{predictive physical-realization closure,}\\ \mathrm{V17}:&\quad \text{implementation-conditioned domain-realization law.} \end{aligned}$$

1.1 V15 and V16 Continuity: The Specific Role of V17

The specific role of V17 is not to replace V15 or V16, and not to reopen the temporal ontology already established by the framework. V15 fixes the ontological assignment of time as invariant ordered succession:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec),$$

and separates temporal ordering from measurable physical difference:

$$S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}.$$

V16 develops the predictive consequence of that distinction by treating calculated and observed residuals as tests of physical-realization adequacy rather than as direct evidence of temporal deformation.

V17 begins from both results and fixes the implementation assignment: if measured outcomes are physical realizations under invariant ordered succession, then their domain-level realization must be assigned to system response organization, realized domain-specific influence profile, and surrounding physical environment:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation is the specific contribution of V17. It does not change:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

It sharpens the physical-realization side by adding the domain D, the realized domain-specific influence profile $\mathcal{E}_A^D$, and the surrounding physical environment C_A. The addition of C_A is essential because physical systems do not realize influence profiles in abstraction. They realize them within local physical contexts that may condition exposure, shielding, medium, pressure, humidity, boundary conditions, contact, local severity, or neighboring influences.

This makes V17 the implementation bridge of the framework. V15 fixes the temporal ontology, V16 makes residual reassignment predictively testable, and V17 fixes the physical structure required for domain implementation. The role of C_A is therefore decisive: it prevents domain prediction from being reduced to system structure alone or influence profile alone, and it prevents local environmental variation from being misread as temporal variation.

V17 therefore shifts the framework from general residual reassignment toward implementation-conditioned domain realization:

$$\text{V15} \to \text{temporal ontology and residual reassignment},$$

$$\text{V16} \to \text{predictive physical-realization closure},$$

$$\text{V17} \to \text{implementation-conditioned domain realization}.$$

The identity of V17 is therefore:

$$\boxed{\text{V17 implements domain realization without making time a physical input.}}$$

The measurable outcome is assigned to:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A,$$

under invariant ordered succession. It is not assigned to:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\text{ITOF}}\Big).$$

This preserves the hierarchy of the framework. V15 fixes what time is. V16 shows how residuals become predictive tests of physical realization. V17 shows how realization can be implemented across domains, systems, environments, measurement structures, and relativistic-type reassignment without treating time as a physical influence, environment, coefficient, model error, or measurement geometry.

V17 closes the next assignment step. Physical realization does not occur only in an abstract relation between a system and a generalized influence profile. It occurs inside bounded domains and surrounding physical environments. A system receives, filters, resists, amplifies, suppresses, stabilizes, transforms, or fails under a realized influence profile within a physical context. This requires the implementation-conditioned domain law:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

Here D denotes a bounded physical domain, ΔX_A^D denotes the measurable realization of system A in that domain, Θ_A denotes system response organization, $\mathcal{E}_A^D$ denotes the realized domain-specific influence profile, and C_A denotes the surrounding physical environment or local physical context of realization.

This equation is the central contribution of V17. It does not place time inside the realization function. The condition:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}}$$

means that measurable realization is evaluated under invariant ordered succession. It does not mean:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}\Big).$$

That rejected form incorrectly treats time as a physical input. V17 preserves time as ordering condition and assigns measurable realization to physical terms.

The surrounding environment C_A is central but not temporal:

$$C_A \in O_{\mathrm{phys}}, \qquad C_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

It represents the physical context in which the system and the acting influence profile are jointly situated. It may condition exposure, shielding, medium, pressure, humidity, contact, boundary conditions, local severity, neighboring influences, or other relevant physical context. These are physical conditions of realization, not temporal variables.

V17 also distinguishes system classes from influence domains. Response classes are open and non-exhaustive:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

A response class is a bounded similarity class, not an identity class. Therefore:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Delta X_{A_m}^D = \Delta X_{A_n}^D.$$

Member-level variation arises primarily from member-specific resistance within Θ_{A_m}, local environment C_{A_m}, and exceptional conditions Q_{A_m}. The member-level relation is:

$$\Delta X_{A_m}^D = \Delta X_{[\Theta]_k}^D + \varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D,$$

with:

$$\varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D = \varepsilon^D\Big(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}_{A_m}^D, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\Big).$$

This residual remains physical:

$$\varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The domain outcome mode is represented by:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

This prevents the assumption that a physical influence has a fixed outcome direction. Heat, cold, pressure, motion, vibration, flow, field effects, or interaction can be beneficial, stabilizing, transformative, bounded, degradative, failing, or destructive depending on the system, the realized influence profile, and the environment. The outcome direction is physical-realization classification, not temporal ontology:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Measurement structures are also placed at the physical-operational level. A measurement structure G_{meas} may organize observations, clocks, coordinates, signal procedures, reference structures, or operational geometry:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}} \in O_{\mathrm{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation,}$$

but:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Observed realization can be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} = G_{\mathrm{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big).$$

Successful measurement organization does not convert measurement geometry into time.

A major consequence concerns relativistic-type measured asymmetry. V17 does not deny measured asymmetry. It does not deny that clocks, signals, trajectories, gravitational conditions, velocity conditions, or measurement geometries produce different observed readings under different physical arrangements. It assigns those measured differences to physical realization and operational measurement rather than to deformation of temporal ontology:

$$\delta^{\mathrm{rel}}_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = \delta^{\mathrm{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^{\mathrm{rel}}, \mathcal{E}_B^{\mathrm{rel}}, C_A, C_B, G_{\mathrm{meas}}\Big),$$

with:

$$\delta^{\mathrm{rel}}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

V17 does not rederive all domain physics and does not claim complete numerical solution of every physical domain. It provides the ontological and structural assignment of measurable realization: measured outcomes belong to system response, realized influence profile, surrounding environment, and operational measurement under invariant ordered succession, not directly to deformation of time.

The remainder of the paper proceeds as follows. Section 2 fixes the temporal ontology and exclusion principles. Section 3 develops the implementation-conditioned domain-realization law and the role of C_A. Section 4 summarizes common effect-dimensions and representative domains without extended textbook explanation. Section 5 develops response classes and intra-class variation. Section 6 introduces living and nonliving systems as high-level response classes. Section 7 treats outcome modes and bidirectional physical realization. Section 8 discusses controllability, domain constraint, and progressive closure. Section 9 develops predictive modeling and operational comparison. Section 10 treats model error and coefficient grounding. Section 11 develops operational measurement structures. Section 12 addresses the relation to relativistic temporal interpretation. Section 13 verifies internal consistency, scope, and non-contradiction. Section 14 states constraint and challenge conditions. Section 15 concludes with the minimal V17 equation spine.

2. Fixed Temporal Ontology and Exclusion Principles

The compressed V17 formulation begins from the fixed temporal ontology established by the Invariant Temporal Ordering Framework:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

Here S denotes the set of physically admissible states, and $\prec$ denotes invariant ordered succession among those states. This definition is not revised by V17. V17 develops the physical-realization side of the framework; it does not reopen the identity of time.

The ordering relation:

$$S_i \prec S_j$$

means that state S_i precedes state S_j in the invariant ordering structure. This relation is not identical to the measurable physical difference between the states. If:

$$X : S \to \mathbb{R},$$

then the measurable physical difference between two ordered states is:

$$\Delta X_{ij} = X(S_j) - X(S_i).$$

Therefore:

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}.}$$

Temporal ordering belongs to the ontological structure of succession. Measurable difference belongs to physical realization.

This distinction controls the entire framework. A clock reading, frequency difference, displacement, thermal alteration, structural degradation, signal delay, residual asymmetry, or measurement output may be physically real and operationally important. But it remains a physical or operational observable:

$$\Delta X_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}}.$$

The temporal ordering itself is not an observable physical magnitude:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}.}$$

2.1 Time Is Not a Physical Influence

A physical influence is represented as:

$$E_i = E_i(\Pi_i),$$

where Π_i denotes the properties, modes, or components through which that influence acts. Thermal influence, pressure, motion, vibration, flow, radiation, chemical interaction, field effects, and coupled interaction may all possess influence-character.

Time does not possess influence-character:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.}$$

This exclusion means that time is not one causal physical factor among other physical factors. Time orders physical states; it does not act upon systems as heat, pressure, motion, radiation, or interaction acts upon systems.

The exclusion is not merely semantic. If time were treated as a physical influence, then measurable realization would be interpreted as partly caused by time itself. ITOF rejects that assignment. When a system changes measurably, the explanatory target is the physical-realization relation among system response organization, realized influence profile, and environment:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A.$$

Thus, V17 preserves the central ITOF distinction:

time orders physical realization;

time does not physically produce realization.

2.2 Time Is Not the Aggregate of Influences

Physical influences may combine, overlap, suppress, amplify, or transform one another. Their realized aggregate for system A may be represented generally as:

$$\mathcal{E}_A = \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{E}}(E_1(\Pi_1), E_2(\Pi_2), \ldots, E_n(\Pi_n)).$$

In a bounded domain D, the realized domain-specific profile is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

This profile may be simple or coupled, weak or strong, bounded or excessive, controlled or uncontrolled. It remains physical:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or physical-realization description.}$$

The aggregate of influences is not time:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A.}$$

Thus, even when many physical influences act together, their aggregate remains a physical-realization profile. It does not become temporal ontology.

This exclusion is important for V17 because the framework now gives greater structure to realized influence profiles. The stronger the physical-realization side becomes, the more necessary it is to preserve the ontological boundary:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

A richer model of physical influence does not make influence identical to time. It only gives a better account of physical realization under invariant ordered succession.

2.3 Time Is Not the Environment

V17 introduces the surrounding environment:

$$C_A.$$

This is a central improvement, but it does not change the status of time. The environment is the surrounding physical context in which system A and the acting influence profile are jointly situated. It may condition exposure, medium, pressure, shielding, humidity, contact, boundary conditions, local severity, neighboring influences, or other relevant physical context.

Thus:

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

but:

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The role of C_A is:

$$C_A \text{ conditions how } \mathcal{E}_A^D \text{ is realized through } \Theta_A.$$

It does not replace the influence profile, and it does not become time. It is the physical context of realization.

This distinction prevents a possible misunderstanding. By adding C_A, V17 does not say that environment is the new temporal basis of change. It says that measurable physical realization is not context-free. Systems and influence profiles are realized in physical surroundings. That surrounding context belongs to physical realization:

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

not to temporal ontology:

$$C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

2.4 Time Is Not Measurement Geometry

Operational measurement may require clocks, coordinate systems, signal procedures, reference structures, calibration rules, or geometric representations. These structures are collected under:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

Measurement structures may be highly successful. They may organize observations, compare systems, coordinate readings, and reduce uncertainty. But operational success does not convert measurement structure into temporal ontology.

The measurement structure belongs to the physical-operational side:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

It is not time:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Observed realization may be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big).$$

This equation means that a measurement structure organizes the observation of a physical-realization outcome. It does not mean that the measurement structure is time.

The distinction is:

$$\text{measurement geometry} \neq \text{temporal ontology.}$$

A geometry, clock procedure, or coordinate convention may successfully organize observations. That success remains operational success:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \Rightarrow \text{successful organization of observations.}$$

It does not imply:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}$$

2.5 The Non-Reopening Constraint

The central V17 law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

The condition:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}}$$

means that measurable realization is evaluated under invariant ordered succession. It does not make time an argument of the function.

The accepted form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The rejected form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\text{ITOF}}\Big).$$

The rejected form incorrectly places time inside the physical-realization function as if it were a causal input. V17 does not adopt it.

The non-reopening constraint can therefore be stated compactly:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, G_{\text{meas}}\}.}$$

This statement does not mean that these terms are the same kind of object. It means that time is not one of the physical-realization or measurement terms.

For the same reason:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq Q_A,$$

when exceptional conditions Q_A are introduced at the member level, and:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \epsilon^D_{\text{model}},$$

when model error is introduced in predictive comparison.

2.6 Residual Closure

For two systems:

$$R^D_{A|B} = \frac{\Delta X^D_A}{\Delta X^D_B},$$

and:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = R^D_{A|B} - 1.$$

A nonzero domain residual is assigned to physical-realization difference:

$$\delta^D_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This equation preserves the central ITOF assignment. Residuals are real measurable differences, but their first ontological assignment is physical realization, not deformation of invariant ordered succession.

2.7 Section Closure

The exclusion principles can be collected as:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A}$$

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}, \qquad G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}}$$

The conclusion is:

V17 strengthens the physical-realization side of ITOF without changing the temporal ontology. Time remains invariant ordered succession. Measured outcomes, environments, influence profiles, residuals, and measurement structures belong to physical realization and operational representation.

3. Implementation-Conditioned Domain-Realization Law and Environment

The preceding section fixed the temporal ontology and exclusion principles. Time remains invariant ordered succession:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec),$$

and it is excluded from physical influence, aggregated influence, environment, and measurement structure:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}, \qquad T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A, \qquad C_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}, \qquad G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

The present section states the central positive law of V17: measurable realization in a bounded physical domain is assigned to system response organization, realized domain-specific influence profile, and surrounding physical environment.

3.1 From General Physical Realization to Domain Implementation

The general physical-realization relation developed by the preceding framework may be written as:

$$\Delta X_A|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A).$$

This equation assigns the measurable realization of system A to the relation between the system response organization Θ_A and the realized physical influence profile $\mathcal{E}_A$, under invariant ordered succession.

V17 refines this relation into a domain-specific form. Let:

$$D$$

denote a bounded physical implementation domain. The measurable realization of system A in domain D is:

$$\Delta X_A^D.$$

The realized domain-specific influence profile acting on system A is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

A first domain-specific realization form is therefore:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D\right).$$

This form correctly assigns measurable realization to the physical relation between system and influence profile. However, it is still incomplete for implementation because physical realization does not occur in a context-free manner. A system receives and realizes influence profiles within a surrounding physical environment. The same general influence class may produce different realized profiles under different local conditions, and the same response organization may produce different measured outcomes when the environment changes.

For this reason, V17 adopts the implementation-conditioned domain-realization law:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

This is the central equation of V17. It fixes the implementation-conditioned assignment of measurable realization without introducing time as an additional physical argument.

3.2 Meaning of the Central V17 Equation

The equation:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

contains three physical-realization inputs and one measurable output.

First:

$$\Theta_A$$

denotes the response organization of system A. It represents the system-side physical organization through which the system receives, resists, filters, amplifies, suppresses, stabilizes, transforms, or fails under a realized influence profile. It is not a separate temporal parameter. It belongs to the physical organization of the system.

Second:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D$$

denotes the realized domain-specific influence profile. It is not merely the abstract name of an influence. It is the actual realized profile relevant to system A in domain D. The same general influence class may be realized differently for different systems or under different surrounding conditions.

Third:

$$C_A$$

denotes the surrounding physical environment or local physical context of realization. It represents the physical setting in which system A and the acting influence profile are jointly situated.

Fourth:

$$\Delta X_A^D$$

denotes the measurable realization of system A in domain D.

In plain terms, the equation states that what is measurably realized in a system depends on the system, the acting domain-specific influence profile, and the surrounding physical environment. Time orders the succession under which states are distinguishable; it does not act as an additional physical input.

The accepted form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.$$

The rejected form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}\Big)\,.$$

The rejected form incorrectly treats time as a causal realization variable. V17 does not adopt it.

The central V17 law strengthens the physical-realization side of ITOF. It does not modify the temporal ontology. Time remains the invariant ordering condition under which physical realization is distinguishable.

3.3 Definition and Role of the Surrounding Environment

The surrounding environment is defined as:

$$C_A = \text{the surrounding physical context of realization for system } A.$$

It may include medium, exposure, shielding, pressure, humidity, contact, boundary conditions, fields, terrain, neighboring influences, local severity, gravity-coupled conditions, or other physical context relevant to the domain. These examples are not introduced as a full catalogue of environmental physics. They clarify that realization occurs in a physical context, not in abstraction.

The role of C_A is:

$$C_A \text{ conditions how } \mathcal{E}_A^D \text{ is realized through } \Theta_A.$$

This does not mean that C_A replaces the influence profile. The influence profile remains the acting realized profile:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \text{acting realized domain-specific profile.}$$

The environment remains the surrounding context:

$$C_A = \text{physical context of realization.}$$

Thus:

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

but:

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The inclusion of C_A prevents the model from treating physical realization as if a system and an influence profile were isolated from surrounding conditions. It also explains why two apparently comparable systems or influence profiles may produce different measured outcomes under different physical contexts.

3.4 Influence Class and Realized Profile

A physical influence class in domain D may be written:

$$E_D(\Pi_D),$$

where Π_D denotes the properties, modes, or components of that domain influence. The realized profile acting on system A is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

The environment may condition the mapping from influence class to realized profile:

$$E_D(\Pi_D) \xrightarrow{C_A} \mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

This notation means that the surrounding physical context affects how the general domain influence becomes the realized profile for the system. It does not mean that the environment alone produces the influence, and it does not make the environment time.

A compact implementation expression is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \mathcal{L}_D(E_D(\Pi_D); C_A)\,.$$

When additional effect-dimensions must be made explicit, the profile may be represented as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_A^D = \mathcal{L}_D\big(&E_D(\Pi_D); C_A, I_D, M_D, X_D,\\ &K_D, B_D, U_D\big).\end{aligned}$$

Here I_D, M_D, X_D, K_D, B_D, and U_D denote effect-dimensions such as intensity, mode, exposure, coupling, boundary or threshold conditions, and controllability. These terms help specify the realized profile. They are not temporal variables.

The central realization law remains:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.$$

3.5 Domain Implementation

A domain is not a temporal category. It is a bounded physical-realization context:

$$D = \text{bounded implementation domain.}$$

An implementation-conditioned domain is not applied to all systems in abstraction. It is applied to a specified system or to a bounded response class:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

Here A denotes a specified system, while $[\Theta]_k$ denotes the response class within which that system is modeled for the relevant domain. The class is a bounded response-similarity class, not a complete identity class.

The index k is not restricted to one fixed catalogue of system types. It denotes the response-organization class selected at the resolution required by the implemented domain. At a high level, k may distinguish broad classes such as:

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}}, \qquad [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

At a more domain-specific level, k may denote a narrower response class when the implementation requires it, such as a class of pressure-rated mechanical systems, thermally resistant materials, clock systems, biological cells, plant systems, or other bounded response classes. These examples do not introduce a new taxonomy. They state that the implemented domain must specify the relevant response class before assigning measurable realization:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

Thus, class selection is a modeling constraint, not a temporal category:

$$[\Theta]_k \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Different domains may involve thermal, mechanical, flow, pressure, field, radiative, chemical, interactional, motion-related, or other physical influence profiles. V17 does not require a full textbook explanation of each domain. It requires that the realization relation be stated correctly for a specified system or response class.

An implementation-conditioned domain therefore functions as a realistic inclusive-and-exclusive structure of physical realization. It is inclusive because it gathers the physical conditions required to account for a measured outcome:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A,$$

and, when observation is involved:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}}.$$

It is exclusive because it prevents those physical-realization and measurement terms from being reinterpreted as temporal ontology:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \notin \{\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, G_{\mathrm{meas}}\}.$$

Thus, an implemented domain is not an unrestricted claim to exhaust all of nature. It is a bounded realistic test of physical realization within a specified domain and for a specified system or response class:

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A,\ G_{\mathrm{meas}}) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

with the temporal closure:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The general class-conditioned domain implementation sequence is:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad E_D(\Pi_D) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}_A^D \longrightarrow F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^D.$$

The environment conditions this sequence:

$$C_A \text{ conditions the realized profile and the realization relation.}$$

The temporal condition remains:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

Thus, the complete interpretation is:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)$$

as invariant ordered succession, while the implemented-domain structure is:

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D$$

as class-conditioned physical realization.

When observation is included:

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A,\ G_{\text{meas}}) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}.$$

This structure is inclusive because it gathers the specified domain, response class, system organization, realized influence profile, environment, and measurement structure. It is exclusive because it prevents the measured outcome from being reassigned to temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

3.6 Two-System Domain Comparison

For two specified systems or response-class members:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_m,$$

the implementation-conditioned domain-realization laws are:

$$\Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big),$$

and:

$$\Delta X_B^D \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_B^D\Big(\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B\Big).$$

If:

$$(A \in [\Theta]_k, \Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A) \neq (B \in [\Theta]_m, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B),$$

then different measurable realizations may occur:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D.$$

This difference is assigned to physical realization:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The comparative ratio is:

$$R_{A|B}^D = \frac{\Delta X_A^D}{\Delta X_B^D},$$

and the residual is:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = R^D_{A|B} - 1.$$

The V17 residual assignment is:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big).}$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

3.7 Why the Environmental Term Matters

The addition of C_A is not cosmetic. It changes the physical completeness of the realization equation. Without C_A, the equation may appear to treat the system and influence profile as if they interact outside surrounding context. With C_A, the model can represent the fact that the same general influence profile may be realized differently under different local conditions.

For example:

$$F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big) \neq F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C'_A\Big) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

The system and nominal influence profile may be comparable, while the surrounding environment differs. The resulting measurable difference is physical:

$$\Delta X^D_A(C_A) \neq \Delta X^D_A(C'_A) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

This is the central reason for the present V17 law. It makes domain implementation realistic while preserving the invariant temporal ontology.

3.8 Section Closure

The domain-implemented law may be summarized as:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)}$$

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0}$$

V17 fixes domain realization as implementation-conditioned physical realization. The environment conditions measurable outcome without becoming time, and measured domain residuals remain physical residuals rather than temporal deformation.

4. Common Effect-Dimensions and Representative Domains

The implementation-conditioned domain-realization law:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

requires a way to compare physical realization across different domains without reducing all domains to the same physical mechanism. Thermal influence is not identical to mechanical vibration. Wind or flow is not identical to chemical interaction. Pressure is not identical to radiation. Coupled interaction is not identical to a single isolated influence. Nevertheless, when these influences become relevant to measurable realization, they can be described through common effect-dimensions.

These dimensions are not new foundations. They are implementation descriptors that help specify the realized profile:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

They make the domain law usable without turning the paper into a textbook account of each physical domain.

4.1 Common Effect-Dimensions

A realized domain-specific influence profile may be represented compactly as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_A^D = \mathcal{L}_D(&E_D(\Pi_D); C_A, I_D, M_D, X_D,\\ &K_D, B_D, U_D).\end{aligned}$$

Here $E_D(\Pi_D)$ denotes the domain influence and its relevant properties or modes. The remaining terms denote common effect-dimensions:

$$I_D = \text{intensity or magnitude},$$

$$M_D = \text{mode of action},$$

$$X_D = \text{exposure structure},$$

$$K_D = \text{coupling or interaction structure},$$

$$B_D = \text{boundary, threshold, or limit conditions},$$

$$U_D = \text{controllability or operational bounding}.$$

This notation is auxiliary. The central V17 law remains:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

The effect-dimensions specify how $\mathcal{E}_A^D$ is bounded for implementation. They are not temporal variables:

$$I_D, M_D, X_D, K_D, B_D, U_D \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Intensity or magnitude describes how strong, weak, bounded, excessive, intermittent, or extreme the influence profile is. Mode of action describes whether the influence acts thermally, mechanically, chemically, radiatively, cyclically, directionally, diffusively, resonantly, or through another domain-specific mode. Exposure describes how the influence reaches the system: brief, sustained, repeated, sudden, cumulative, local, shielded, or intermittent.

Coupling describes whether the influence acts alone or in combination with other profiles. Boundary and threshold structure describe the conditions under which the same influence remains bounded, becomes transformative, or exceeds system capacity. Controllability describes whether the influence profile, the environment, or the system response can be bounded, shielded, amplified, reduced, or stabilized.

These dimensions do not replace domain science. They allow ITOF to state the physical-realization assignment in a domain-independent form:

$$
\begin{aligned}
(E_D(\Pi_D), C_A, I_D, M_D, X_D, K_D, B_D, U_D) &\longrightarrow \mathcal{E}_A^D \\
&\longrightarrow \Delta X_A^D.
\end{aligned}
$$

4.2 Environmental Conditioning of Effect-Dimensions

The environment C_A appears inside the profile mapping because physical influences are not realized in isolation. The same nominal influence can produce different realized profiles under different surrounding contexts:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D(C_A) \neq \mathcal{E}_A^D(C'_A) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

Therefore:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \neq F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C'_A\Big) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

The resulting difference is physical-realization variation:

$$\Delta X_A^D(C_A) \neq \Delta X_A^D(C'_A) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The environment may affect intensity, exposure, boundary conditions, shielding, coupling, and threshold behavior. In some domains, an environmental component may also function as part of the realized influence profile. When it acts as an influence, it may enter:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

When it functions as the surrounding physical context of realization, it is represented by:

$$C_A.$$

The distinction is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \text{acting realized profile,}$$

while:

$$C_A = \text{physical context of realization.}$$

This distinction prevents conceptual collapse. The environment strengthens the physical-realization model, but:

$$C_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

4.3 Representative Domains

The representative domains used in V17 are not intended to exhaust all possible physical domains. They display how the same realization law applies across different influence profiles. A compact representative set is:

$$D \in \{H, W, M, Int, P, F, R, Chem, \ldots\}.$$

Here:

$$H = \text{thermal or cold-related realization,}$$

$$W = \text{wind or flow realization,}$$

$$M = \text{motion, vibration, or mechanical realization,}$$

$$Int = \text{interaction or coupling realization,}$$

$$P = \text{pressure-related realization,}$$

$$F = \text{field-related realization,}$$

$$R = \text{radiative realization,}$$

$$Chem = \text{chemical realization.}$$

The ellipsis indicates that additional bounded domains may be introduced when needed.

The general form is always:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

For a thermal or cold-related domain:

$$\Delta X_A^H\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^H\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^H, C_A\Big).$$

Thermal realization is not assigned to heat alone. It depends on the system response organization, the realized thermal profile, and the surrounding environment. Heat, cold, insufficiency of heat, or excess heat can produce different outcomes depending on:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^H, \qquad C_A.$$

For wind or flow:

$$\Delta X_A^W\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^W\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^W, C_A\Big).$$

Flow-related realization depends on the realized flow profile, the system response organization, and the environment that conditions exposure, shielding, terrain, medium, or boundary interaction.

For motion, vibration, or mechanical influence:

$$\Delta X_A^M\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^M\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^M, C_A\Big)\,.$$

Mechanical realization may involve motion, acceleration, vibration, stress, impact, fatigue, support, damping, or boundary conditions. V17 does not rederive mechanics. It assigns the measured outcome to physical realization under invariant ordered succession.

For interaction or coupling:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{E}}(E_{D_1}, E_{D_2}; C_A)\,,$$

and:

$$\Delta X_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2}, C_A\Big)\,.$$

Coupled realization may be non-additive:

$$\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2).$$

This non-additivity belongs to physical coupling, system response, and environmental conditioning:

$$\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

4.4 Domain Examples as Implementation Tests

The representative domains in this section are not included as descriptive examples only. They also function as implementation tests of the V17 realization law. Each domain asks whether a measurable residual can be assigned to system response organization, realized influence profile, and surrounding environment without assigning that residual to temporal deformation.

The general domain-test form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,,$$

and, for two systems:

$$\delta_{A|B}^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\Big)\,.$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This means that each domain tests the same assignment. The domain label changes the physical-realization model; it does not change the temporal ontology:

$$D \text{ changes the realization model,} \qquad D \text{ does not change } T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

For a pressure-related implementation domain, a controlled residual may be represented by:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{P,\mathrm{calc}}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} \approx (\beta_{AP} - \beta_{BP})\Delta P + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_{AP} - \gamma_{BP})(\Delta P)^2.$$

Here β_{AP} and β_{BP} represent first-order pressure-response descriptors, while γ_{AP} and γ_{BP} represent nonlinear pressure-response descriptors. These coefficients belong to pressure-domain physical realization. They are not temporal parameters:

$$\beta_{AP}, \beta_{BP}, \gamma_{AP}, \gamma_{BP} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Thus:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{P,\mathrm{calc}}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

For a thermal, cold-related, or chemical implementation domain, a bounded residual may be represented by:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{H,\mathrm{calc}}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} \approx (\alpha_{AH} - \alpha_{BH})\Delta H + \frac{1}{2}(\eta_{AH} - \eta_{BH})(\Delta H)^2.$$

Here H denotes a domain variable representing the relevant thermal, cold-related, or chemical influence profile as specified by the implementation domain. The coefficients α and η describe domain response, not time:

$$\alpha_{AH}, \alpha_{BH}, \eta_{AH}, \eta_{BH} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

The residual is assigned to:

$$\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^H, \mathcal{E}_B^H, C_A, C_B,$$

not to temporal deformation.

For coupled influence domains, physical realization may be non-additive:

$$\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2)|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} \neq \Delta X_A(E_1)|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} + \Delta X_A(E_2)|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}}.$$

A bounded local expansion may be written:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta X_A|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} =& a_{A1}E_1 + a_{A2}E_2 + a_{A12}E_1E_2 \\ &+ a_{A11}E_1^2 + a_{A22}E_2^2 + \cdots .\end{aligned}$$

The cross coefficient:

$$a_{A12}$$

represents coupled physical realization. It is not a nonlinear time term:

$$a_{A12} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

For two systems, a coupled residual may be represented by:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{coupled}}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} \sim (a_{A12} - a_{B12})E_1E_2 + \cdots .$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{coupled}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

These examples do not claim to replace detailed pressure physics, thermal physics, chemical physics, mechanics, or coupled-interaction physics. Their role is narrower and more foundational: they show how domain residuals can be organized as physical-realization differences under invariant ordered succession.

The general lesson is:

$$\text{domain residual} \rightarrow \text{physical-realization structure},$$

not:

$$\text{domain residual} \rightarrow \text{temporal deformation}.$$

Thus, representative domains operate as implementation tests of the V17 law. They demonstrate how the same equation:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

can organize measurable outcomes across different physical domains without changing the temporal ontology:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

4.5 Approximate Boundedness of Influence Domains

V17 distinguishes system classification from influence-domain mapping. System-response classes are open and non-exhaustive. Physical influence domains, however, can often be approximately bounded within an implementation model:

$$\{E_i(\Pi_i)\}_D \approx \text{bounded influence classes within domain } D.$$

This does not claim absolute exhaustive enumeration of all possible influences. It states that, for a modeled implementation domain, the major acting influence profiles can often be identified, classified, and progressively refined.

Thus:

$$[\Theta]_k = \text{open response class},$$

while:

$$\{E_i(\Pi_i)\}_D = \text{approximately bounded influence set within } D.$$

This asymmetry matters. Systems vary widely and require open classification. Influence domains can often be bounded more tightly for implementation. The practical model therefore proceeds by identifying:

$$D, \qquad A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad \Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A.$$

When these are sufficiently constrained, measurable realization becomes more predictively constrained:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \quad \Theta_A, \quad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \quad C_A \text{ sufficiently constrained} \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D \text{ predictively constrained.}$$

4.6 Representative Domains Do Not Replace Domain Physics

The purpose of representative domains is not to replace established thermal, mechanical, chemical, radiative, flow, or field physics. Their purpose is to show that V17 assigns measurable outcomes to the same structural relation:

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D.$$

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A,\ G_{\text{meas}}) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}.$$

Therefore, the paper does not need long descriptions of heat, wind, vibration, pressure, fields, or chemical effects. Domain examples are included only when they clarify the realization equation. If a future implementation requires numerical prediction in a particular domain, the function:

$$F_A^D$$

must be specified by domain-appropriate modeling, coefficients, measurements, and tests.

V17 supplies the ontological and structural assignment:

$$\text{measured outcome} \to \text{physical realization},$$

not:

$$\text{measured outcome} \to \text{temporal deformation}.$$

4.7 Section Closure

The compressed domain structure is:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad E_D(\Pi_D) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}_A^D \longrightarrow F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^D.$$

The outcome remains physical:

$$\Delta X_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}}.$$

The temporal closure remains:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}, \qquad \delta_{A|B}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Common effect-dimensions make domain implementation possible without turning domain physics into temporal ontology. Domains specify how physical realization is modeled; they do not redefine time.

5. Response Classes and Intra-Class Variation

The implementation-conditioned domain-realization law:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

requires a practical way to classify physical systems without claiming that all possible systems have been exhaustively enumerated. V17 therefore introduces response classes as implementation tools. These classes support prediction and comparison, but they do not imply exact identity among their members.

A response-organization class is denoted by:

$$[\Theta]_k.$$

If system A belongs to this class, we write:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

Accordingly, a response class is a physical-realization classification, not a claim of complete physical similarity. It groups systems by dominant response organization relevant to a bounded domain, while preserving member-level variation. Thus:

$$[\Theta]_k = \text{bounded response-similarity class},$$

not:

$$[\Theta]_k = \text{complete identity class}.$$

This distinction is necessary because system classes and physical influence domains do not have the same status. System classes are open, representative, and non-exhaustive. Physical influence domains can often be approximately bounded within a modeled implementation domain. Physical systems vary widely in internal organization, resistance, history, local environment, and exceptional conditions. Therefore, V17 does not claim a final catalogue of all possible systems. It uses response classes to make physical realization predictively tractable.

5.1 Class Membership Does Not Imply Identical Realization

If two members belong to the same response class,

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k,$$

then they share dominant response organization for the relevant modeling purpose. But this does not imply exact equality of their response organizations:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Theta_{A_m} = \Theta_{A_n}.$$

It also does not imply identical measured realization:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{A_n}.$$

A response class supports bounded prediction, not perfect identity. A class-level realization may be written as:

$$\Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k}.$$

A member-level realization may differ from that class-level realization:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k} + \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}.}$$

Here $\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}$ denotes the member-specific deviation from the class-level expected or bounded realization in domain D. This is an intra-class physical-realization residual. It is not a temporal residual:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This equation is important because it prevents two opposite errors. The first error would be to treat response classes as useless because members differ. The second error would be to treat response classes as exact identity classes. V17 takes the middle position: response classes are useful for bounded prediction, while member-level variation remains physically interpretable.

5.2 Member-Level Realization

The ordinary member-level realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F^D_{A_m}\left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}\right).}$$

This equation states that member A_m realizes a measurable outcome according to its member-specific response organization, its realized domain-specific influence profile, and its local environment.

When accidental or exceptional conditions are relevant, the member-level form becomes:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F^D_{A_m}\left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\right).}$$

Here:

$$Q_{A_m} = \text{accidental or exceptional event conditions affecting member } A_m.$$

This term belongs to implementation-level modeling. It does not replace the general domain law:

$$\Delta X^D_{A}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F^D_{A}\left(\Theta_{A}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A}, C_{A}\right).$$

The exceptional term is used only when the ordinary description is insufficient because an abnormal event or condition affects the member-level outcome.

Examples of Q_{A_m} may include collision, rupture, contamination, unexpected contact, sudden damage, abnormal shock, or operational mishandling. These are not ordinary environmental conditions. They are exceptional or accidental physical events that can alter the member-level realization.

5.3 The Three Primary Sources of Intra-Class Variation

V17 identifies three primary sources of intra-class variation:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \qquad C_{A_m}, \qquad Q_{A_m}.$$

Their roles are:

$$\Theta_{A_m} = \text{member-specific response organization and resistance},$$

$$C_{A_m} = \text{local or surrounding environment},$$

$$Q_{A_m} = \text{accidental or exceptional event conditions.}$$

Member-specific resistance is treated as part of:

$$\Theta_{A_m}.$$

It includes the member's structural tolerance, internal coherence, susceptibility, fatigue capacity, threshold margin, boundary stability, or resistance to the realized influence profile. It is not a separate temporal factor and not a new foundational symbol.

The local environment is:

$$C_{A_m}.$$

It represents the physical context in which the member and influence profile are jointly situated. Members of the same response class may be embedded in different local environments:

$$C_{A_m} \neq C_{A_n}.$$

This may yield different measurable outcomes:

$$\Delta X^D_{A_m} \neq \Delta X^D_{A_n} \quad \text{may occur.}$$

The difference is physical:

$$C_{A_m} \neq C_{A_n} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Exceptional conditions are:

$$Q_{A_m}.$$

They are not the ordinary environment and not ordinary resistance. They are member-level exceptional events that may alter response organization, modify the realized influence profile, or produce abnormal residuals.

Thus, intra-class deviation can be represented as:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} = \varepsilon^D\left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\right).}$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

5.4 No Fourth Primary Intra-Class Factor

The three-factor structure is intentionally controlled:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \qquad C_{A_m}, \qquad Q_{A_m}.$$

V17 does not introduce a fourth primary intra-class factor. If a new detail appears, it should be classified under one of the three established factors rather than introduced as an independent foundational category.

For example:

$$\text{coherence, tolerance, susceptibility, fatigue, threshold margin} \subset \Theta_{A_m}.$$

$$\text{humidity, pressure, shielding, medium, exposure, terrain, contact} \subset C_{A_m}.$$

$$\text{collision, rupture, contamination, abnormal shock, sudden damage} \subset Q_{A_m}.$$

These inclusions are classificatory, not new foundations. Their purpose is to keep the implementation layer disciplined and prevent unnecessary symbolic expansion.

The controlled rule is:

$$\boxed{\text{no fourth primary intra-class factor is introduced in V17.}}$$

This rule is not a claim that no further details exist in nature. It is a modeling discipline: further details are interpreted within the existing three categories unless the framework is explicitly revised.

5.5 Class-Level Prediction and Member-Level Refinement

A class-level prediction may be written as:

$$[\Theta]_k, \mathcal{E}^D, C \longrightarrow \Delta X^{D,\text{calc}}_{[\Theta]_k}.$$

A member-level prediction is more specific:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m} \longrightarrow \Delta X^{D,\text{calc}}_{A_m}.$$

If exceptional conditions are relevant:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m} \longrightarrow \Delta X^{D,\text{calc}}_{A_m}.$$

Class-level adequacy requires that member deviations remain within a bounded range:

$$\left|\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}\right| \le \sigma^D_k,$$

where σ^D_k denotes a class-level variation bound in domain D. This is an implementation-level uncertainty or variation bound. It is not a temporal parameter.

If:

$$\left|\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}\right| > \sigma^D_k,$$

the class assignment, member-specific response organization, influence profile, environment, exceptional conditions, coefficient structure, or uncertainty estimate may require refinement. The inference is not temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\left|\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}\right| > \sigma^D_k \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

5.6 Intra-Class and Inter-Class Residuals

For two members of the same response class:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k,$$

a member-to-member ratio may be written:

$$R^D_{A_m|A_n} = \frac{\Delta X^D_{A_m}}{\Delta X^D_{A_n}},$$

with residual:

$$\delta^D_{A_m|A_n} = R^D_{A_m|A_n} - 1.$$

The intra-class residual assignment is:

$$\delta^D_{A_m|A_n} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_{A_m}, \Theta_{A_n}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_n}, C_{A_m}, C_{A_n}, Q_{A_m}, Q_{A_n}\Big).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A_m|A_n} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

For two systems in different response classes:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_l, \qquad k \neq l,$$

a residual may arise from class-level response difference:

$$[\Theta]_k \neq [\Theta]_l.$$

The inter-class residual can be represented as:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = \delta^D\Big([\Theta]_k, [\Theta]_l, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

This residual also belongs to physical realization:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

5.7 System Classes and Influence Domains Are Not Symmetric

The distinction between response classes and influence domains should be preserved. Response classes:

$$[\Theta]_k$$

are open, non-exhaustive, and classification-dependent. They help group systems by response organization, but they are not a complete enumeration of all physical systems.

Influence domains can often be approximately bounded within a specific implementation:

$$\{E_i(\Pi_i)\}_D \approx \text{bounded influence classes within domain } D.$$

This does not imply absolute exhaustive enumeration of all physical influences. It means that, in a given implementation domain, the major acting influence profiles can often be identified and progressively refined more tightly than the total space of possible system structures.

Thus:

$$[\Theta]_k = \text{representative response class},$$

while:

$$\{E_i(\Pi_i)\}_D = \text{approximately bounded influence set within } D.$$

This asymmetry supports V17 implementation. Systems are classified flexibly. Influence profiles are mapped as boundedly as the domain allows. Both remain physical-realization structures, not temporal ontology.

5.8 Section Closure

The compressed class and member structure is:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k} + \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} = \varepsilon^D \left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m} \right).$$

Response classes support prediction without requiring member identity. Member-level variation is explained through response organization and resistance, local environment, and exceptional conditions. It remains physical variation under invariant ordered succession, not temporal deformation.

6. High-Level Response Classes: Living and Nonliving Systems

The preceding section developed response classes and intra-class variation. V17 does not require a complete catalogue of all possible physical systems, but it can identify high-level response classes when those classes clarify how different systems realize physical influences. One useful high-level distinction is between living systems and nonliving systems.

This distinction is not introduced as a new temporal ontology and not as a claim that all members of either class are physically identical. It is introduced as a high-level response-organization distinction:

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}}, \qquad [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

A living system may be represented as:

$$A \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}},$$

while a nonliving or inanimate system may be represented as:

$$B \in [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

These are broad response classes. They identify dominant modes of response organization, not complete physical sameness among all members. The difference between these two classes is not that living systems change while nonliving systems do not. Both living and nonliving systems undergo measurable realization under physical influences and environments. The difference is that living systems possess an organized self-maintaining response structure that depends on nutritional or energetic input, while nonliving systems do not possess this biological mode of self-maintenance. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}[\Theta]_{\text{living}} = {} & \text{high-level response-organization class characterized by self-maintenance,} \\ & \text{nutritional or energetic dependence, bounded growth,} \\ & \text{and organized decline,}\end{aligned}$$

while:

$$\begin{aligned}[\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}} = {} & \text{high-level response-organization class without biological nutritional} \\ & \text{self-maintenance, whose realization is governed by structure,} \\ & \text{influence profile, and environment.}\end{aligned}$$

This distinction remains inside the V17 realization structure:

$$\Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

It does not modify:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

6.1 Living Systems as Self-Maintaining Response Structures

A living system is not merely a system that changes. It is a system whose response organization includes self-maintenance, regulated growth, repair, metabolic or energetic dependence, and bounded structural continuity. This can be represented by:

$$\Theta_A^{\text{living}} = \text{living response organization.}$$

Nutritional or energetic input may be represented as:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^{\text{nutr}}.$$

This input is necessary for living-system maintenance and growth, but it does not produce unlimited growth by itself. It is realized through the living system's response organization:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{living}} \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{living}}\Big(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{nutr}}, C_A\Big).$$

This equation states that nutritional or energetic input becomes physically meaningful only through the living response structure and its environment. The same input may support growth, maintenance, repair, storage, stress response, or decline depending on:

$$\Theta_A^{\mathrm{living}}, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^{\mathrm{nutr}}, \qquad C_A.$$

Therefore, living-system growth is not assigned to time as a causal agent. It is assigned to the physical-realization relation:

$$\Theta_A^{\mathrm{living}}, \quad \mathcal{E}_A^{\mathrm{nutr}}, \quad C_A \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^{\mathrm{growth}}.$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\mathrm{growth}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

6.2 Motion as a Shared Physical Influence-Domain

Motion is treated in V17 as a physical influence-domain when motion-related conditions contribute to realized interaction, exposure, stress, transfer, vibration, collision, circulation, or system response. It is not merely a descriptive feature and not a temporal factor. Like pressure, heat, fields, chemical media, vibration, or acceleration, motion may enter the realized physical conditions acting upon systems and may affect measurable realization according to the system's response organization, the motion-related influence profile, and the surrounding physical environment.

A motion-related influence may be represented consistently as:

$$E_M = E_M(\Pi_M),$$

where E_M denotes the motion-related physical influence and Π_M denotes its physical character, such as rotation, orbital motion, vibration, displacement, flow, oscillation, propagation, acceleration, collision, or internal circulation.

The realized motion-related influence profile for system A may be written as:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^M = \mathcal{L}_M(E_M(\Pi_M); C_A)\,.$$

The effect of motion is not universal in magnitude or outcome. It depends on the relation between the system response organization, the realized motion-related profile, and the environment:

$$\Delta X_A^M\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^M\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^M, C_A\Big)\,.$$

This point is especially visible in many living systems, where motion may support persistence, coordination, adaptation, circulation, maintenance, and environmental engagement under some conditions, while contributing to fatigue, injury, degradation, or failure under others. The same principle is not limited to living systems. Many nonliving systems also realize motion-related profiles through rotation, vibration, flow, displacement, orbital motion, propagation, collision, or internal circulation.

Thus, motion may be broadly present and physically influential even where its effect is not immediately observed. Its realized effect belongs to:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^M, \qquad C_A,$$

not to temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^M \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

6.3 Bounded Growth and Phase-Limited Realization

Living systems do not generally grow without limit. Their growth is bounded by the response organization of the living system. A living system may pass through a growth phase, a maintenance phase, and a decline phase. These phases are not changes in time itself. They are changes in the mode of physical realization within the system.

A compact phase representation is:

$$F_A^{\text{growth}} \longrightarrow F_A^{\text{maintenance}} \longrightarrow F_A^{\text{decline}}.$$

This sequence does not mean that time changes its nature. It means that the living response organization changes the way it realizes physical and biological inputs.

The growth phase may be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{growth}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{growth}}\left(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{nutr}}, C_A\right).$$

The maintenance phase may be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{maintenance}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{maintenance}}\left(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{nutr}}, C_A\right).$$

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{decline}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D,\text{decline}}\left(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^{D,\text{decline}}, C_A\right).}$$

The transition from growth to maintenance and decline is therefore a transition in response organization and realization mode:

$$\Theta_A^{\text{living}} \to \Theta_A^{\text{living,maintained}} \to \Theta_A^{\text{living,weakened}}.$$

It is not a transition in temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{\Theta_A^{\text{living}} \to \Theta_A^{\text{living,weakened}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Thus, the cessation of growth does not mean the cessation of change. It means that the system no longer realizes nutritional and physical inputs primarily through growth. It realizes them through maintenance, repair, adaptation, storage, stress response, or decline.

6.4 Organized Decline in Living Systems

The weakening of living systems can be represented as an organized cumulative physical-realization process in which physical influences, nutritional or energetic conditions, internal maintenance limits, and surrounding environment act through the living response organization. Over ordered succession, this interaction may weaken maintenance capacity and structural integrity.

The general domain-conditioned decline relation is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{decline}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D,\text{decline}}\left(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^{D,\text{decline}}, C_A\right).}$$

This relation does not say that decline is caused by time as a physical force. It says that decline is a physical-realization outcome arising from the interaction of:

$$\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^{D,\text{decline}}, \qquad C_A.$$

A living system may weaken because its response organization loses maintenance capacity:

$$\Theta_A^{\text{living}} \to \Theta_A^{\text{living,weakened}}.$$

The corresponding measurable realization may be:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{decline}} \neq 0.$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{decline}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

In this sense, decline is ordered but not temporal deformation. It is ordered because the system passes through physically realized states under:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

It is not temporal deformation because the cause of decline is assigned to response-organization weakening under physical influences and environment, not to time acting as a physical influence.

A concise formulation is:

> Living-system decline is organized response-structure weakening under physical influences and surrounding environment.

6.5 Member-Level Variation within Living Systems

Living systems within the same broad response class may still differ strongly. If:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}},$$

it does not follow that:

$$\Delta X_{A_m}^{\text{decline}} = \Delta X_{A_n}^{\text{decline}}.$$

The difference may arise from member-specific response organization, local environment, realized influence profile, and exceptional conditions:

$$\varepsilon_{A_m|\text{living}}^{D} = \varepsilon^{D}\left(\Theta_{A_m}^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_{A_m}^{D}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\right).$$

Thus:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}} \not\Rightarrow \Delta X_{A_m}^{D} = \Delta X_{A_n}^{D}.$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_{A_m|\text{living}}^{D} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This preserves the earlier V17 rule that intra-class variation arises through three primary factors:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \qquad C_{A_m}, \qquad Q_{A_m},$$

with the realized influence profile:

$$\mathcal{E}_{A_m}^{D}$$

specifying the domain action.

In living systems, this variation may appear as different growth limits, different maintenance capacities, different decline patterns, different resistance to environmental stress, or different vulnerability to exceptional conditions. These are physical-realization differences within the living response class.

6.6 Nonliving Systems as Non-Nutritional Response Structures

A nonliving system does not depend on nutritional or metabolic input for survival, growth, or self-maintenance. Its measurable realization is governed by its physical structure, the realized influence profile, and the surrounding environment:

$$\Delta X_{B}^{\text{nonliving}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_{B}^{\text{nonliving}}\left(\Theta_{B}^{\text{nonliving}}, \mathcal{E}_{B}^{D}, C_{B}\right).$$

This does not mean that nonliving systems do not change. Nonliving systems may deform, fracture, melt, burn, corrode, crystallize, erode, expand, contract, decay, or collapse under suitable physical influence profiles and environments. Therefore, V17 does not state that nonliving systems always change slowly. Under strong influences, nonliving systems may change rapidly.

The correct distinction is:

Nonliving systems lack biological self-maintenance through nutritional input; they do not lack physical realization.

Thus:

$$\Delta X_{B}^{\text{nonliving}} \neq 0$$

is assigned to:

$$\Theta_B^{\text{nonliving}}, \qquad \mathcal{E}_B^D, \qquad C_B,$$

not to temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_B^{\text{nonliving}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

6.7 Living–Nonliving Comparison

For a living system A and a nonliving system B, one may write:

$$A \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}}, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

Their measurable realizations in a domain D are:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{living}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D,\text{living}}\left(\Theta_A^{\text{living}}, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right),$$

and:

$$\Delta X_B^{D,\text{nonliving}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_B^{D,\text{nonliving}}\left(\Theta_B^{\text{nonliving}}, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B\right).$$

A comparative ratio may be written as:

$$R_{A|B}^{D,\text{living/nonliving}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{living}}}{\Delta X_B^{D,\text{nonliving}}}.$$

The corresponding residual is:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{living/nonliving}} = R_{A|B}^{D,\text{living/nonliving}} - 1.$$

The assignment is:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{living/nonliving}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\left([\Theta]_{\text{living}}, [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\right).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{living/nonliving}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This comparison does not create two kinds of time. It identifies two high-level response classes whose measurable realizations differ because their response organizations differ.

6.8 Section Closure

The living/nonliving distinction can be summarized as:

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

The living class is characterized by:

self-maintenance, nutritional or energetic dependence,
bounded growth, and organized decline.

The nonliving class is characterized by:

absence of biological nutritional self-maintenance,
and physical realization through structure, influences, and environment.

Both classes remain under:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

Their differences are response-organization differences:

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}},$$

not temporal differences:

$$\boxed{[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Living and nonliving systems are high-level response classes, not temporal classes. Their different modes of change are assigned to response organization, realized influence profiles, and environments, not to different temporal ontologies.

7. Outcome Modes and Bidirectional Physical Realization

The implementation-conditioned domain-realization law:

$$\Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

does not assign a fixed outcome direction to any physical influence. A physical influence is not intrinsically beneficial in all cases, and it is not intrinsically destructive in all cases. The same class of influence may preserve one system, stabilize another, transform a third, degrade a fourth, or collapse a fifth. The realized outcome depends on the relation among system response organization, realized domain-specific influence profile, and surrounding environment.

The qualitative outcome mode of system A in domain D is denoted by:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D.$$

V17 represents the outcome mode as:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation does not replace the measurable realization:

$$\Delta X_A^D.$$

It classifies the direction, role, or significance of that realization for the system within the domain.

Thus:

$$\Delta X_A^D = \text{measurable realization},$$

while:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \text{realization outcome mode}.$$

Both belong to physical realization:

$$\Delta X_A^D, \mathcal{O}_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or physical-realization description}.$$

Neither is temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

7.1 No Fixed Outcome Direction

A domain influence may be represented as:

$$E_D(\Pi_D).$$

The outcome is not fixed by the influence name alone:

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed benefit.}}$$

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed harm.}}$$

The realized outcome is assigned through:

$$\Omega_D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).$$

This is the bidirectional or multi-directional realization principle. Heat is not always destructive. Cold is not always destructive. Wind is not always harmful. Motion is not always destabilizing. Pressure is not always damaging. Interaction is not always harmful. The outcome is determined by compatibility, threshold, coupling, intensity, exposure, system response organization, and environmental context.

A compact outcome set may be written as:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \in \{\text{benefit}, \text{stabilization}, \text{preservation}, \text{productive transformation}, \\ \text{bounded response}, \text{degradation}, \text{failure}, \text{collapse}\}.$$

This set is not a rigid exhaustive taxonomy. It is a controlled outcome map showing that physical realization may move in favorable, neutral, bounded, transformative, degradative, or catastrophic directions.

The important point is not the final list of possible outcomes. The important point is the assignment:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right),$$

not:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D(T_{\mathrm{ITOF}})\,.$$

7.2 Compatibility, Threshold, and Environment

Outcome direction depends strongly on compatibility and threshold relation. A realized influence profile may remain within the response capacity of the system:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \text{ compatible with } \Theta_A \text{ under } C_A.$$

In such a case, the outcome may be:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \in \{\text{benefit}, \text{stabilization}, \text{preservation}, \text{productive transformation}, \text{bounded response}\}.$$

A realized influence profile may also exceed the response capacity of the system:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \text{ exceeds the response capacity of } \Theta_A \text{ under } C_A.$$

In that case, the outcome may be:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \in \{\text{degradation}, \text{failure}, \text{collapse}\}.$$

These are not universal numerical laws. They are domain-implementation rules. Their role is to show that outcome direction belongs to:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A,$$

not to time:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The surrounding environment is essential. A system may tolerate a physical profile in one environment and fail under the same general influence class in another:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D(C_A) \neq \mathcal{O}_A^D(C'_A) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

This difference is physical:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D(C_A) \neq \mathcal{O}_A^D(C'_A) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

7.3 Domain Examples without Textbook Expansion

The outcome-mode law applies across domains without requiring a full textbook discussion of each domain. The purpose of domain examples is only to clarify the realization assignment.

For thermal or cold-related realization:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^H = \Omega_H\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^H, C_A\Big)\,.$$

A thermal profile may enable activation, preserve a system, stabilize a process, transform material structure, degrade system integrity, or produce collapse depending on the system and environment. The point is not to redefine heat or cold. The point is that the outcome is not fixed by the thermal influence alone.

For mechanical or vibrational realization:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^M = \Omega_M\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^M, C_A\Big).$$

Mechanical influence may enable transport, operation, mixing, energy transfer, or controlled transformation. It may also produce fatigue, fracture, impact damage, resonance failure, or collapse. The outcome is determined by the realization relation, not by motion alone.

For wind or flow realization:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^W = \Omega_W\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^W, C_A\Big).$$

Flow may cool, ventilate, disperse, carry, erode, destabilize, or damage depending on the profile, the receiving system, and the surrounding context.

For pressure-related realization:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^P = \Omega_P\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^P, C_A\Big).$$

Pressure may support, contain, compress, stabilize, deform, rupture, or collapse a system depending on boundedness, threshold, material organization, and environment.

For coupled realization:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D_1+D_2} = \Omega_{D_1+D_2}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2}, C_A\Big).$$

A coupled outcome may differ from the separate outcomes of isolated influences:

$$\mathcal{O}_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \mathcal{O}_A(E_1) + \mathcal{O}_A(E_2).$$

This statement is qualitative. It means that coupled outcome direction cannot always be inferred by simply adding isolated outcome labels. Coupling remains physical realization:

$$\text{non-additive outcome} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

7.4 Outcome Modes and Prediction

Outcome modes are useful because prediction is not only quantitative. A model may predict both measurable magnitude and outcome direction:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}},$$

and:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

The observed outcome mode is:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\text{obs}}.$$

Qualitative predictive adequacy may be expressed as:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

Quantitative adequacy may additionally require:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

If the predicted outcome mode fails:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \neq \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}},$$

the refinement target is physical:

$$\Theta_A, \quad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \quad C_A, \quad F_A^D, \quad \Omega_D,$$

and, when relevant:

$$Q_A.$$

The inference is not temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \neq \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

7.5 Outcome Differences between Systems and Members

For two systems:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq \mathcal{O}_B^D \quad \text{may occur because}$$

$$(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A) \neq (\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq \mathcal{O}_B^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

For two members of the same response class:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k,$$

different outcome modes may still occur because member-specific resistance, local environment, realized profile, or exceptional conditions differ:

$$(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}_{A_m}^D, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}) \\ \neq (\Theta_{A_n}, \mathcal{E}_{A_n}^D, C_{A_n}, Q_{A_n}).$$

Thus:

$$\mathcal{O}_{A_m}^D \neq \mathcal{O}_{A_n}^D \quad \text{may occur},$$

without implying:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

This preserves the member-level implementation logic introduced in the preceding section. Class membership supports bounded prediction, but it does not guarantee identical outcome mode.

7.6 Section Closure

The outcome-mode structure is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

The outcome is not fixed by the influence alone:

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed outcome.}}$$

The temporal closure is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}, \qquad \mathcal{O}_A^D \text{ difference} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Physical influences do not carry fixed outcome direction. Outcome direction is realized through system response organization, realized influence profile, and surrounding environment under invariant ordered succession.

8. Controllability, Domain Constraint, and Progressive Closure

The implementation-conditioned domain-realization law becomes operationally useful when its physical components can be constrained, bounded, modified, or controlled. V17 treats controllability as a physical-realization concept. Influence profiles may be bounded, environmental conditions may be controlled, response organization may be modified, and exceptional conditions may be reduced or excluded. These operations may change measured realization, but they do not imply control, deformation, acceleration, or slowing of time.

The central realization law remains:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

The controllable or refinable terms belong to physical realization:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A.$$

If exceptional member-level conditions are relevant, the implementation model may also include:

$$Q_A.$$

Time is not part of this controllable set:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, Q_A\}.}$$

The purpose of this section is to distinguish physical controllability from temporal controllability. A laboratory, engineering, or observational model may control the system, the influence profile, the environment, or the exclusion of exceptional events. It does not control time itself.

8.1 Controlling the Influence Profile

The realized domain-specific influence profile is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

In practice, this profile may be increased, reduced, shielded, redirected, damped, amplified, interrupted, isolated, stabilized, or bounded. This may be represented as:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \to \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D.$$

The controlled realization is:

$$\Delta X_{A,\text{controlled}}^D \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D, C_A\Big).$$

A change in the realized profile may change the measured realization:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \neq F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D, C_A\Big) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

Therefore:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_{A,\text{controlled}}^D \quad \text{may occur.}$$

This is a change in physical-realization conditions. It is not a change in temporal ontology:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \to \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF}}^{\text{controlled}}.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\text{control of } \mathcal{E}_A^D \Rightarrow \text{possible change in physical realization, not control of time.}}$$

8.2 Controlling the Environment

The surrounding environment is:

$$C_A.$$

Because C_A conditions how the realized influence profile is received and realized through the system, environmental control can strongly affect physical realization. One may write:

$$C_A \to C_{A,\text{controlled}}.$$

The corresponding controlled realization is:

$$\Delta X_{A,\text{controlled}}^D \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_{A,\text{controlled}}\Big).$$

Environmental control may therefore produce a different measured realization:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \neq F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_{A,\text{controlled}}\Big) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

Environmental control may involve bounding or modifying pressure, humidity, medium, shielding, exposure, contact, damping, thermal conditions, boundary conditions, local severity, or neighboring influence exposure. These are physical interventions. They may improve predictive constraint:

$$C_A \to C_{A,\text{controlled}} \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D \text{ becomes more predictively constrained.}$$

But:

$$\boxed{C_A \to C_{A,\text{controlled}} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF}}^{\text{controlled}}.}$$

The distinction is essential. Controlling the environment changes the physical context of realization. It does not change invariant ordered succession.

8.3 Modifying Response Organization

The response organization of a system may also be modified:

$$\Theta_A \to \Theta_A^{\text{modified}}.$$

A system may be strengthened, weakened, repaired, damaged, insulated, calibrated, reinforced, damped, shielded, stabilized, or otherwise altered. Such interventions may change the realization function:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \neq F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A^{\text{modified}}, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \quad \text{may occur.}$$

This may change both the measurable realization:

$$\Delta X_A^D,$$

and the outcome mode:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

For example, increased resistance within Θ_A may reduce the realized effect under some domains:

$$\Big|\Delta X_A^D(\Theta_A^{\text{resistant}})\Big| < \Big|\Delta X_A^D(\Theta_A)\Big| \quad \text{may occur.}$$

This is domain-dependent. It is not a universal inequality. It states only that modifying response organization can change physical realization.

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\Theta_A \to \Theta_A^{\text{modified}} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF}}^{\text{modified}}.}$$

8.4 Bounding Exceptional Conditions

Exceptional conditions are denoted by:

$$Q_A.$$

They are not part of the ordinary general law:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big),$$

but they may matter in member-level implementation. Accidental collision, rupture, contamination, sudden damage, abnormal shock, unexpected contact, or operational mishandling may alter measured realization.

In controlled modeling, one may assume:

$$Q_A \approx 0,$$

or:

$$Q_A \to Q_{A,\mathrm{bounded}}.$$

This improves member-level prediction by reducing abnormal residuals:

$$Q_{A_m} \text{ bounded} \Rightarrow \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \text{ more predictively constrained.}$$

This does not introduce a fourth ordinary factor. Q_A remains the exceptional member-level condition identified in the three-factor intra-class structure:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \qquad C_{A_m}, \qquad Q_{A_m}.$$

It is physical:

$$Q_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{Q_A \to Q_{A,\mathrm{bounded}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

8.5 Domain Constraint

A domain implementation becomes stronger when its main physical components are constrained:

$$D, \qquad \Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A.$$

A weakly constrained domain model may identify the domain and the general influence class, but only approximate the system response organization or surrounding environment:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A \quad \text{weakly bounded.}$$

Such a model may produce only qualitative or approximate prediction.

A stronger model constrains all three main terms:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A \quad \text{sufficiently constrained.}$$

Then:

$$\Delta X_A^D \quad \text{is more strongly predicted.}$$

A controlled domain model may use:

$$\Theta_{A,\text{controlled}}, \qquad \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D, \qquad C_{A,\text{controlled}}.$$

The controlled calculated realization is:

$$\Delta X_{A,\text{controlled}}^{D,\text{calc}} = F_A^D\left(\Theta_{A,\text{controlled}}, \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D, C_{A,\text{controlled}}\right).$$

This is physical domain constraint. It is not temporal constraint:

$$\boxed{(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A) \text{ constrained} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ constrained.}}$$

8.6 Progressive Closure

V17 does not claim that every domain, coefficient, class, environment, and exceptional condition has already been numerically exhausted. It claims that physical realization becomes predictively stronger when the relevant components are progressively constrained and refined:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D \text{ sufficiently constrained} \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D \text{ predictively constrained.}$$

If the components are weakly described:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D \text{ weakly constrained} \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D \text{ weakly predicted or approximate.}$$

This is progressive closure. The model may begin coarsely and improve through refinement:

$$\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D\right)_{\text{initial}} \to \left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D\right)_{\text{refined}}.$$

The purpose is to reduce the gap between calculated and observed realization:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \to \text{smaller.}$$

The target condition is:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

Here σ_{exp}^D denotes the relevant domain-specific experimental, observational, or operational uncertainty. It is not a temporal parameter:

$$\sigma_{\text{exp}}^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

8.7 Foundational Closure and Domain Closure

The compressed V17 structure distinguishes foundational closure from domain-specific numerical closure:

$$\text{foundational closure} \neq \text{complete numerical solution of all domains.}$$

The foundational closure is:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

The domain-implemented realization closure is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

A particular domain may require further modeling:

$$F_A^D \to F_{A,\mathrm{specified}}^D.$$

This does not reopen temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{F_A^D \to F_{A,\mathrm{specified}}^D \not\Rightarrow T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \to T_{\mathrm{ITOF,refined}}.}$$

This distinction prevents both overclaiming and underclaiming. V17 does not claim that every physical domain has already been numerically solved; however, it does claim that the foundational equation architecture is closed. What remains open is not the ontology of time, nor the assignment of measurable realization, but the domain-specific specification of F_A^D, Θ_A, $\mathcal{E}_A^D$, C_A, coefficients, uncertainty bounds, and experimental constraints.

8.8 Section Closure

The controllability and domain-constraint structure is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \to \mathcal{E}_{A,\mathrm{controlled}}^D,$$

$$C_A \to C_{A,\mathrm{controlled}},$$

$$\Theta_A \to \Theta_A^{\mathrm{modified}},$$

$$Q_A \to Q_{A,\mathrm{bounded}}.$$

These operations may change:

$$\Delta X_A^D \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{O}_A^D.$$

But:

$$\boxed{\text{control of realization conditions} \not\Rightarrow \text{control of time.}}$$

Domain closure is progressive physical-realization refinement under fixed temporal ontology. V17 strengthens prediction by constraining system response, influence profile, environment, and exceptional conditions, while time remains invariant ordered succession.

9. Predictive Modeling and Operational Comparison

The preceding section established that domain realization becomes stronger when system response organization, realized influence profile, surrounding environment, and exceptional conditions are progressively constrained. The present section develops the predictive form of that structure. Prediction in V17 is not a test of whether time deforms. It is a test of whether the physical-realization model adequately represents the conditions producing the measured outcome.

The central realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\rm ITOF}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

The calculated measurable realization is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\rm calc} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

The observed measurable realization is:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\rm obs}.$$

The predictive comparison is therefore:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\rm calc} \quad \text{compared with} \quad \Delta X_A^{D,\rm obs}.$$

This comparison concerns physical realization:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A, \qquad F_A^D,$$

not temporal ontology:

$$T_{\rm ITOF} = (S, \prec).$$

9.1 Single-System Predictive Adequacy

For a single system A in domain D, predictive adequacy is expressed by:

$$\boxed{\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\rm calc} - \Delta X_A^{D,\rm obs}\right| \le \sigma_{\rm exp}^D.}$$

Here $\sigma_{\rm exp}^D$ denotes the relevant domain-specific experimental, observational, or operational uncertainty. It may include measurement error, modeling tolerance, calibration uncertainty, environmental uncertainty, or other domain-specific bounds.

It is not a temporal parameter:

$$\sigma_{\rm exp}^D \ne T_{\rm ITOF}.$$

If the condition is satisfied, the model is predictively adequate within the tested domain bounds:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D \Rightarrow \text{domain-level predictive adequacy.}$$

If the condition fails:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D,$$

the correct inference is physical-realization refinement:

$$\text{refine } \Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D, [\Theta]_k, Q_A, \text{coefficients, measurement structure, or uncertainty.}$$

The incorrect inference is:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Therefore:

$$\boxed{\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

9.2 Comparative Ratios and Residual Prediction

For two systems A and B, the domain realizations are:

$$\Delta X_A^D, \qquad \Delta X_B^D.$$

The comparative ratio is:

$$R_{A|B}^D = \frac{\Delta X_A^D}{\Delta X_B^D}.$$

The residual is:

$$\delta_{A|B}^D = R_{A|B}^D - 1.$$

For calculated values:

$$R_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}}{\Delta X_B^{D,\mathrm{calc}}},$$

and:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = R_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - 1.$$

For observed values:

$$R_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}}{\Delta X_B^{D,\mathrm{obs}}},$$

and:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} = R_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} - 1.$$

Comparative predictive adequacy is:

$$\boxed{\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.}$$

This expression is the domain-implemented continuation of V16 predictive residual closure. It compares calculated and observed residuals within the uncertainty bound relevant to the domain.

If the condition fails:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D},$$

the correct inference is:

$$\text{comparative physical-realization refinement.}$$

The refinement target may include:

$$\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B, F_A^D, F_B^D, [\Theta], Q, \text{coefficients, measurement structure, or uncertainty.}$$

The inference is not:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

9.3 Operational Comparison Procedure

A domain application of V17 can be organized through a controlled comparison procedure.

First, identify the domain:

$$D.$$

Second, specify the system or response class:

$$\Theta_A \quad \text{or} \quad A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

Third, specify the realized influence profile:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

Fourth, specify the surrounding environment:

$$C_A.$$

Fifth, specify the realization function:

$$F_A^D.$$

Sixth, calculate or bound the measurable realization:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

Seventh, compare with observed realization:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

Eighth, evaluate predictive adequacy:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

For comparative application, the same procedure is applied to systems A and B, then the residual comparison is evaluated:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

This procedure is not a universal numerical solver. It is an operational structure for assigning measured outcomes to physical-realization conditions. The numerical content depends on the domain, the response class, the available measurements, and the degree of constraint in:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A, \qquad F_A^D.$$

9.4 Class-Level and Member-Level Prediction

When a response class is used:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k,$$

a class-level prediction may be written as:

$$[\Theta]_k, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_k^D \longrightarrow \Delta X_{[\Theta]_k}^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

This gives a class-level expected or bounded realization.

For a member of that class:

$$A_m \in [\Theta]_k,$$

the member-level predictive structure is:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}_{A_m}^D, C_{A_m}, F_{A_m}^D \longrightarrow \Delta X_{A_m}^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

If exceptional conditions are relevant:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}_{A_m}^D, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}, F_{A_m}^D \longrightarrow \Delta X_{A_m}^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

This hierarchy prevents the model from confusing class-level expectation with member-level realization. The class-level model provides a bounded prediction. The member-level model refines that prediction by including member-specific response organization, local environment, realized influence profile, and exceptional conditions when relevant.

The member-level deviation remains physical:

$$\varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

9.5 Outcome-Mode Prediction

Prediction may also involve qualitative outcome mode:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The calculated outcome mode is:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

The observed outcome mode is:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

Qualitative predictive adequacy may be written as:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

If:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \neq \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}},$$

then the refinement target is:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D, \Omega_D,$$

and, when relevant:

$$Q_A.$$

The failure does not imply temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \neq \mathcal{O}_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Outcome prediction matters because a model may correctly identify that an influence is present while incorrectly predicting whether the outcome will be bounded, useful, degradative, or catastrophic. Such error belongs to outcome-mode classification and physical-realization modeling.

9.6 Prediction as Physical-Realization Testing

Predictive comparison in V17 tests whether the physical-realization structure has been adequately modeled:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

It does not test whether time is a variable inside the function:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \notin F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The distinction may be summarized as:

$$\text{prediction succeeds} \Rightarrow \text{physical-realization model is supported within tested bounds;}$$

$$\text{prediction fails} \Rightarrow \text{physical-realization model requires refinement.}$$

Neither case requires:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Operational comparison tests the adequacy of physical-realization modeling. It does not test whether invariant temporal ordering deforms. Prediction concerns systems, influence profiles, environments, measurement structures, coefficients, and uncertainty bounds, not time as a physical input.

9.7 Section Closure

The predictive structure is:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big),$$

then:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \quad \text{is compared with} \quad \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

Predictive adequacy is:

$$\boxed{\Big|\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\Big| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.}$$

For comparative residuals:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \quad \text{is compared with} \quad \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}},$$

with:

$$\boxed{\Big|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\Big| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.}$$

The final closure is:

$$\boxed{\text{predictive comparison refines physical realization, not temporal ontology.}}$$

10. Model Error and Coefficient Grounding

The preceding section established how calculated and observed realizations are compared within a bounded domain. The present section develops the meaning of model error and coefficient grounding in V17. A failed prediction does not imply deformation of time. It indicates that one or more physical-realization components, coefficient approximations, environmental constraints, class assignments, exceptional conditions, measurement structures, or uncertainty estimates require refinement.

The central realization law remains:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation is general. In actual implementation, the function F_A^D may be represented through bounded approximations, coefficients, fitted relations, thresholds, class-level parameters, or domain-specific models. These approximations belong to physical-realization modeling. They do not become temporal variables.

10.1 Single-System Model Error

For a single-system realization, the observed measurable outcome is:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

The calculated measurable outcome is:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

The single-system model error is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D} = \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.}$$

This quantity measures the mismatch between observed physical realization and calculated physical realization in domain D. It does not measure deformation of time. Therefore:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Predictive adequacy requires:

$$\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D}\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D}.$$

If:

$$\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D},$$

then the model requires physical-realization refinement. The possible refinement targets include:

$$\Theta_A, \quad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \quad C_A, \quad F_A^D, \quad [\Theta]_k, \quad Q_A, \quad a_A^D, \quad G_{\mathrm{meas}}, \quad \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

The refinement target is not:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D} \Rightarrow \text{physical-realization refinement},}$$

not:

$$\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^{D}\right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D} \Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

10.2 Comparative Model Error

For comparative residuals, the observed residual is:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

The calculated residual is:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

The comparative model error is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} = \delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B}.}$$

This quantity measures the mismatch between the observed comparative residual and the calculated comparative residual. It belongs to residual modeling:

$$\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \in \text{physical-realization model error.}$$

It is not a temporal-deformation term:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Predictive adequacy requires:

$$\left|\epsilon^D_{\text{model}}\right| \leq \sigma^D_{\text{exp}}.$$

If:

$$\left|\epsilon^D_{\text{model}}\right| > \sigma^D_{\text{exp}},$$

then the comparative realization model must be refined:

$$\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \Rightarrow \text{refine } \Theta, \mathcal{E}^D, C, F, [\Theta], Q, a, G_{\text{meas}}, \sigma^D_{\text{exp}}.$$

This compact expression means that model error is assigned to physical-realization, classification, coefficient, measurement, or uncertainty refinement. It does not include time as a refinement target:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \not\Rightarrow \text{refine } T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

10.3 Sources of Model Error

In V17, model error may arise from several physical-realization sources. It may arise from incomplete system characterization:

$$\Theta_A \quad \text{or} \quad \Theta_B.$$

It may arise from incomplete influence-profile characterization:

$$\mathcal{E}^D_A \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{E}^D_B.$$

It may arise from incomplete environmental characterization:

$$C_A \quad \text{or} \quad C_B.$$

It may arise from the realization function:

$$F^D_A \quad \text{or} \quad F^D_B.$$

It may arise from response-class assignment:

$$[\Theta]_k.$$

It may arise from exceptional member-level conditions:

$$Q_A \quad \text{or} \quad Q_B.$$

It may also arise from measurement structure, coefficient approximation, or uncertainty estimate:

$$G_{\text{meas}}, \qquad a_A^D, \qquad \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

These are physical or operational sources of model error. None requires temporal deformation. The refinement map is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D \Rightarrow \text{refine the physical-realization model, not time.}}$$

10.4 Coefficient Grounding

A coefficient used in a bounded realization model is not a temporal parameter. It is an effective physical-realization descriptor. It may summarize how a system responds to a bounded influence profile in a specified environment.

A simple bounded approximation may be written:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D E_D.$$

Here a_A^D is an effective domain coefficient for system A. It may summarize response organization, domain sensitivity, material behavior, environmental conditioning, or calibrated model structure within a bounded approximation. It is not a fundamental temporal quantity:

$$\boxed{a_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

A nonlinear approximation may be written:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_{A1}^D E_D + a_{A2}^D E_D^2 + a_{A3}^D E_D^3 + \cdots .$$

This expression is not the foundational V17 law. It is an effective bounded representation of:

$$F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).$$

The coefficients:

$$a_{A1}^D, \quad a_{A2}^D, \quad a_{A3}^D$$

belong to the approximation of the physical-realization function. They are not temporal variables:

$$a_{Ai}^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

If the coefficient approximation fails, refinement may be required:

$$a_{Ai}^D \to a_{Ai,\text{refined}}^D.$$

But:

$$\boxed{a^D_{Ai} \to a^D_{Ai,\text{refined}} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF,refined}}.}$$

10.5 Environment-Conditioned Coefficients

Because V17 includes the surrounding environment C_A, an effective coefficient may depend on environmental context in a bounded implementation model:

$$a^D_A = a^D_A(C_A).$$

This does not mean that the environment replaces the system or the influence profile. It means that the effective coefficient used in a bounded approximation may change when the physical context of realization changes.

A simple environment-conditioned approximation may be:

$$\Delta X^D_A = a^D_A(C_A)E_D.$$

A nonlinear environment-conditioned approximation may be:

$$\Delta X^D_A = a^D_{A1}(C_A)E_D + a^D_{A2}(C_A)E^2_D + a^D_{A3}(C_A)E^3_D + \cdots .$$

These expressions are implementation-level approximations. They do not replace:

$$\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big).$$

They only show one possible way to approximate the realization function when environmental context materially affects effective coefficients.

The temporal closure remains:

$$\boxed{a^D_A(C_A) \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

and:

$$\boxed{a^D_A(C_A) \text{ refined} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ refined.}}$$

10.6 Coupling Terms and Non-Additive Approximation

In coupled domains, the measured outcome may not be additive. A bounded coupled approximation may be written:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta X^{D_1+D_2}_A =& a_{A1}E_{D_1} + a_{A2}E_{D_2} \\ &+ a_{A12}E_{D_1}E_{D_2} + \cdots .\end{aligned}$$

The term:

$$a_{A12}E_{D_1}E_{D_2}$$

is an effective coupled-realization term within a bounded model. It is not a temporal term. It represents physical coupling between influence components as realized through system response and environment.

With environmental conditioning:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta X_A^{D_1+D_2} =& a_{A1}(C_A)E_{D_1} + a_{A2}(C_A)E_{D_2} \\ &+ a_{A12}(C_A)E_{D_1}E_{D_2} + \cdots .\end{aligned}$$

Again, this is an approximation. The central coupled realization law remains:

$$\Delta X_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2}, C_A\Big).$$

The non-additive result:

$$\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2)$$

belongs to physical coupling, system response, and environment. It does not imply:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

10.7 Model Improvement

When a model fails, coefficients may be refined:

$$a_A^D \to a_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^D.$$

A coupled coefficient may be refined:

$$a_{A12} \to a_{A12,\mathrm{refined}}.$$

An environment-conditioned coefficient may be refined:

$$a_A^D(C_A) \to a_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^D(C_A).$$

The model error may then decrease:

$$\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model}}^D\right| \to \left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model,refined}}^D\right|.$$

The target is:

$$\left|\epsilon_{A,\mathrm{model,refined}}^D\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

For comparative residuals:

$$\left|\epsilon_{\mathrm{model,refined}}^D\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

This is predictive improvement in the physical-realization model. It is not temporal improvement:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\mathrm{model}}^D \to \epsilon_{\mathrm{model,refined}}^D \not\Rightarrow T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \to T_{\mathrm{ITOF,refined}}.}$$

10.8 Section Closure

The model-error structure is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{A,\mathrm{model}} = \Delta X^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_A - \Delta X^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_A.}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\mathrm{model}} = \delta^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A|B}.}$$

The coefficient-grounding closure is:

$$\boxed{a^D_A,\ a^D_A(C_A),\ a_{A12} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

Model error and coefficient refinement belong to physical-realization modeling. They refine system characterization, influence profiles, environments, coefficients, measurement structures, and uncertainty bounds. They do not refine time and do not imply temporal deformation.

11. Operational Measurement Structures

The preceding sections developed domain implementation, prediction, and model error. The present section clarifies the operational measurement layer through which physical realization becomes observed, represented, compared, or recorded. This layer is necessary because measured values are not bare access to temporal ontology. They are physical or operational outputs obtained through measurement structures.

The central realization law remains:

$$\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F^D_A\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\right).$$

The observed form of this realization is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_A = G_{\mathrm{meas}}\left(F^D_A\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\right)\right).}$$

Here:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}}$$

denotes the operational measurement structure through which the physical-realization outcome is observed, represented, compared, or recorded.

A measurement structure may include clock systems, coordinate assignments, calibration rules, signal procedures, detector response, reference structures, data-reduction conventions, or operational geometry. These structures may be precise and successful. They may organize observations with high predictive power. But they remain operational structures:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}} \in O_{\mathrm{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

They are not temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

11.1 Measurement Structure and Observed Realization

The physical-realization outcome of system A in domain D is:

$$\Delta X_A^D.$$

The observed representation of that outcome may depend on the measurement structure:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(\Delta X_A^D\right).$$

Substituting the V17 realization law gives:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right)\right).$$

This equation states that observation proceeds through a measurement structure applied to a physical-realization outcome. It does not state that the measurement structure is time. The measured value may be precise, stable, repeatable, and technologically useful. Its precision belongs to physical and operational measurement:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

But:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

This distinction applies to clocks, rulers, detectors, coordinate systems, signal protocols, reference frames, geometric models, and calibration systems. These structures organize measurement. They do not become temporal ontology.

11.2 Clock Systems as Physical Measurement Systems

A clock is a physical system used in measurement. Its output may include cycle count, transition frequency, accumulated reading, signal emission, or comparative clock difference. Such output is denoted by:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}.$$

It belongs to physical realization:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \in O_{\text{phys}}.$$

It is not identical to temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Within V17, a clock system may be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{clock}}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\right).$$

The observed clock output may be represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock,obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(F_A^{\text{clock}}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\right)\right).$$

This formulation preserves the operational importance of clocks without identifying clock output with time itself. A clock may be highly precise, but precision does not convert a physical output into temporal ontology. A clock remains a physical system whose output is used to coordinate, compare, and represent physical processes.

If two clocks produce different readings:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock,obs}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock,obs}},$$

ITOF assigns the difference to clock-system realization and measurement relation:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock,obs}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock,obs}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

11.3 Coordinate Systems and Operational Geometry

Measurement often requires coordinate systems, geometric conventions, spatial relations, signal paths, synchronization rules, or reference-frame structures. These may be represented collectively by:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

A coordinate or geometric measurement structure may organize observed relations:

$$G_{\text{meas}} : O_{\text{phys}} \to O_{\text{rep}},$$

where O_{rep} denotes represented, recorded, or operationally organized observables.

This mapping is useful because physical observations often require representation. A signal must be assigned to a path. A clock reading must be compared. A coordinate must be assigned. A distance, interval, frequency, or residual must be operationally represented. These operations belong to measurement structure.

However:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The geometry of measurement is not the ontology of time. Geometry may successfully organize observed relations without becoming invariant ordered succession itself.

The distinction may be written:

$$\text{operational geometry} \neq \text{temporal ontology}.$$

More formally:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation},$$

while:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

$$G_{\text{meas}} : \Delta X_A^D \mapsto \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}.$$

This mapping represents operational observation, not temporal production:

$$G_{\text{meas}} : O_{\text{phys}} \to O_{\text{rep}}, \qquad G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

11.4 Measurement Residuals

A measurement residual between two systems may be written:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} = R_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} - 1,$$

where:

$$R_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}}{\Delta X_B^{D,\text{obs}}}.$$

Since the observed values are produced through physical realization and measurement structure:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big),$$

and:

$$\Delta X_B^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F_B^D\Big(\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B\Big)\Big),$$

the observed residual belongs to the measurement-realization relation:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} = \delta_{\text{meas}}^D\Big(G_{\text{meas}}, \Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

This equation assigns observed residual structure to the relation among measurement structure, systems, influence profiles, and environments. It does not assign the residual to deformation of time:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} \neq \delta T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Therefore:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

11.5 Measurement Error and Operational Refinement

Measurement structures may contribute to model error. The measured value may differ from the calculated value:

$$\epsilon_{A,\text{model}}^D = \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

Part of this difference may arise from the physical-realization model:

$$F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big),$$

and part may arise from the measurement structure:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

If the measurement structure is incomplete, unstable, or poorly calibrated, refinement may be required:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \to G_{\text{meas,refined}}.$$

If the uncertainty estimate is incomplete, refinement may be required:

$$\sigma^{D}_{\text{exp}} \to \sigma^{D}_{\text{exp,refined}}.$$

These refinements belong to operational measurement:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \to G_{\text{meas,refined}} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF,refined}}.$$

and:

$$\sigma^{D}_{\text{exp}} \to \sigma^{D}_{\text{exp,refined}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

In plain terms, improving measurement does not improve time. It improves the way physical realization is observed, represented, and compared.

11.6 Operational Success and Ontological Assignment

A measurement structure may be operationally successful. It may organize physical observations with precision. It may support technological prediction. It may allow consistent comparison across systems. ITOF accepts this operational success.

The relevant distinction is:

$$\text{operational success} \neq \text{ontological identity}.$$

The fact that a measurement structure succeeds does not mean that the measurement structure is identical to time:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow G_{\text{meas}} = T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

It also does not mean:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The correct ITOF assignment is:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \Rightarrow \text{operational organization of physical observations}.$$

The rejected assignment is:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \Rightarrow \text{temporal ontology}.$$

This distinction is especially important for clock-based measurement. A clock reading may organize events operationally. It may provide an index of cycles, frequency, rhythm, comparison, or accumulated physical output. But:

$$\text{clock output} \neq \text{time itself.}$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock,obs}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

11.7 Measurement Structures as Bridge to Relativistic Reassignment

The next section applies this measurement distinction to relativistic temporal interpretation. Relativistic-type measurement often depends on operational geometry:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

This geometry organizes observed relations among clocks, signals, paths, coordinates, gravitational conditions, velocities, and reference structures. ITOF assigns the success of that geometry to measurement structure:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \Rightarrow \text{operational organization.}$$

It does not assign it to temporal deformation:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Thus, a relativistic-type observed residual can be prepared for reassignment as:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\text{rel,obs}} = \delta_{\text{meas}}^{\text{rel}}\Big(G_{\text{meas}}, \Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{rel}}, \mathcal{E}_B^{\text{rel}}, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

This equation states that the observed residual is organized through measurement geometry and physical-realization conditions. It does not identify the residual with temporal deformation:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\text{rel,obs}} \neq \delta T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

11.8 Section Closure

The operational measurement structure can be summarized as:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}}$$

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big).}$$

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}}$$

Measurement structures organize physical observations; they do not become temporal ontology. Clock readings, coordinate systems, signal procedures, and operational geometry are powerful measurement structures, but their success remains operational rather than ontological.

12. Relation to Relativistic Temporal Interpretation

The preceding section established that measurement structures organize physical observations without becoming temporal ontology. This distinction is especially important in relation to relativistic temporal interpretation. Relativistic-type measurements often involve clocks, signals, paths, gravitational conditions, velocities, acceleration, reference structures, and operational geometry. ITOF does not deny that such measurements produce real asymmetries. It rejects the automatic ontological assignment of those asymmetries to deformation of time itself.

The fixed temporal ontology remains:

$$\boxed{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

Time is invariant ordered succession. It is not a physical influence:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.$$

It is not the aggregate of physical influences:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A.$$

It is not the surrounding environment:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq C_A.$$

It is not the measurement geometry:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq G_{\mathrm{meas}}.$$

The present V17 physical-realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation gives the interpretive basis for the relation between ITOF and relativistic temporal interpretation. In ITOF, measured differences between systems, clocks, signals, trajectories, or reference arrangements are assigned first to physical-realization structure: system response organization, realized influence profile, surrounding environment, and measurement structure. They are not assigned directly to deformation of time itself.

12.1 Measured Asymmetry and Ontological Assignment

A measured asymmetry may be represented generally as:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0.$$

Relativistic temporal interpretation commonly assigns such asymmetry to time dilation, metric structure, or spacetime geometry. ITOF does not reject the measured asymmetry as a measured fact. It rejects the automatic ontological transfer:

$$\text{measured asymmetry} \to \text{deformable time.}$$

The ITOF assignment is:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big),$$

with the closure:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \nRightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

In plain terms, if two systems produce different readings, ITOF assigns that difference to physical-realization differences unless a more detailed physical model requires refinement. The difference belongs to the systems, the acting influence profiles, the surrounding environments, the measurement structures, or the realization functions. It does not by itself establish deformation of temporal ontology.

This is the central assignment of ITOF. The framework does not deny measured asymmetry. It assigns measured asymmetry to the physical-realization level. The invariant temporal ordering under which physical states are distinguishable remains unchanged.

12.2 Relativistic Assignment and ITOF Reassignment

The relation between ITOF and relativistic temporal interpretation can be stated most clearly by separating the measured relation from the ontological assignment of that relation. Relativistic temporal interpretation commonly reads measured clock asymmetry or path-dependent measurement asymmetry as a temporal difference:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B \Rightarrow \Delta t_A \neq \Delta t_B.$$

In this assignment, the measured physical difference is treated as requiring a difference in elapsed or realized time between the compared systems.

ITOF does not deny the measured asymmetry:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B.$$

It rejects the automatic conclusion:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B \Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The ITOF reassignment is:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} \Rightarrow F_A(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A, C_A) \neq F_B(\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B, C_B)\,.$$

In the domain-implemented V17 form:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} \Rightarrow F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \neq F_B^D\Big(\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B\Big)\,.$$

The temporal assignment remains common:

$$T_A = T_B = T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

This statement does not mean that the two clocks or systems produce identical readings. It means that their differing readings occur under the same invariant ordered succession rather than under two different temporal ontologies.

The measured realizations may differ:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D,$$

while the invariant temporal ordering does not:

$$\delta T_{\text{ITOF}} = 0.$$

Therefore:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This is the central reassignment. The measured difference is preserved, but its ontological interpretation is changed. Relativistic temporal interpretation assigns the asymmetry to temporal difference. ITOF assigns it to physical-realization difference under common invariant ordered succession.

The distinction may be summarized as:

Relativistic temporal assignment:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B \Rightarrow \Delta t_A \neq \Delta t_B.$$

ITOF assignment:

$$\Delta X_A \neq \Delta X_B \Rightarrow (\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A, C_A, G_{\text{meas}}) \neq (\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B, C_B, G_{\text{meas}}),$$

or, more precisely in domain form:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta X_A^D \neq \Delta X_B^D \Rightarrow \quad & (\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A) \neq (\Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_B), \\ & \text{or } G_{\text{meas}} \text{ requires refinement.}\end{aligned}$$

The residual form is:

$$R_{A|B}^{\text{rel}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{\text{rel}}}{\Delta X_B^{\text{rel}}}, \qquad \delta_{A|B}^{\text{rel}} = R_{A|B}^{\text{rel}} - 1.$$

Relativistic temporal assignment commonly treats:

$$\delta^{\mathrm{rel}}_{A|B} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \delta t_{A|B} \neq 0.$$

ITOF assigns:

$$\boxed{\left.\delta^{\mathrm{rel}}_{A|B}\right|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = \delta^{\mathrm{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^{\mathrm{rel}}_A, \mathcal{E}^{\mathrm{rel}}_B, C_A, C_B, G_{\mathrm{meas}}\Big).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^{\mathrm{rel}}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This reassignment does not weaken the empirical fact of relativistic-type measurement. It preserves the observed residual as real physical data. What changes is the ontological level to which the residual is assigned. The residual is assigned to clock-system realization, physical influence profiles, environmental conditions, and operational measurement structure, not directly to deformation of invariant ordered succession.

Thus, the ITOF reading is not:

the measured asymmetry is unreal.

The ITOF reading is:

the measured asymmetry is real physical realization, not direct temporal deformation.

This distinction is essential for V17 because the added term C_A makes the reassignment more physically complete. Measured asymmetry is not assigned only to the internal system response Θ_A or to the influence profile $\mathcal{E}^D_A$. It is assigned to the full realization context:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}^D_A, \qquad C_A, \qquad G_{\mathrm{meas}}.$$

The environment and measurement structure therefore strengthen the reassignment rather than weaken it.

The final relation is:

$$\boxed{\text{same invariant temporal ordering, different physical realization.}}$$

12.3 Clock Readings as Physical Realizations

A clock is a physical system. Its reading, frequency, cycle count, signal emission, transition rate, accumulated output, or differential reading belongs to physical realization:

$$\Delta X_{\mathrm{clock}} \in O_{\mathrm{phys}}.$$

The clock's output is not identical to temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_{\mathrm{clock}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

Within the present V17 structure, a clock system A is represented as:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{clock}}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\right).$$

Here Θ_A denotes the response organization of the clock system, $\mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}$ denotes the realized influence profile relevant to the clock's physical operation, and C_A denotes the surrounding physical environment or local context in which the clock operates.

The observed clock output is:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock,obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(F_A^{\text{clock}}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\right)\right).$$

This formulation accepts that clock readings differ under different physical conditions. Motion, gravitational conditions, acceleration, field conditions, thermal context, pressure, signal procedure, environmental exposure, and measurement arrangement can all affect clock-system realization. ITOF assigns those differences to the physical realization of the clock system:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock}} \Rightarrow \text{different clock-system realization.}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock}} \nRightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The comparative residual between two clock systems is:

$$R_{A|B}^{\text{clock}} = \frac{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}}{\Delta X_B^{\text{clock}}},$$

and:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\text{clock}} = R_{A|B}^{\text{clock}} - 1.$$

The ITOF closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{\text{clock}} \neq 0 \nRightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Precision does not convert a clock output into temporal ontology. A clock may be a precise physical system, but its output remains a physical realization used to measure, compare, and coordinate physical processes.

12.4 Relativistic Measurement as High-Sensitivity Physical Realization

Relativistic experiments often involve highly sensitive measurement structures. They compare clocks, signals, paths, gravitational potentials, velocities, orbital conditions, or reference-frame arrangements. ITOF treats these as operationally significant physical-measurement structures:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

But:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The measurement structure organizes observations. It defines procedures, coordinates, signals, clock comparisons, calibration relations, or operational transformations. It may succeed with high precision. That success establishes operational adequacy of the measurement structure within its domain. It does not establish that time itself is a deformable physical entity:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}}$$

In ITOF, a relativistic measurement arrangement is treated as a high-sensitivity physical-realization and operational-comparison domain. The measured output depends on:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A, \qquad G_{\text{meas}}.$$

The observed value is represented operationally as:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big).$$

This expression means that the observed value is produced through a measurement structure applied to a physical-realization outcome. It does not make G_{meas} identical to time.

A comparison between two measured systems is represented as:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} = \delta_{\text{meas}}^D\Big(G_{\text{meas}}, \Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

This is an operational physical-measurement relation. It is not a temporal-deformation equation.

12.5 Velocity, Gravity, and Environmental Conditioning

Relativistic contexts often involve velocity, gravitational conditions, acceleration, potential differences, signal propagation, and reference-frame structure. ITOF assigns these to physical-realization conditions rather than to time as a physical influence.

Velocity-related conditions, gravitationally coupled conditions, acceleration, signal propagation, and environmental constraints enter the physical-realization description through:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A, \qquad G_{\text{meas}},$$

depending on their role in the measurement arrangement.

The implementation-conditioned domain-realization law remains:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

If the measured system is a clock, the corresponding expression is:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{clock}}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\Big).$$

Velocity and gravitational conditions may affect the realized physical state of clocks, signals, or measurement systems. In ITOF, the resulting asymmetry is assigned to physical realization:

$$\text{velocity/gravity-conditioned clock asymmetry} \Rightarrow \text{clock-system physical realization.}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\text{velocity/gravity-conditioned clock asymmetry} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This formulation avoids unnecessary attack on relativistic measurement. It states the ITOF assignment clearly:

$$\text{measured differences are real physical-realization differences.}$$

The disputed step is:

$$\text{measured difference} \Rightarrow \text{time itself changed.}$$

12.6 Residual Reassignment in Relativistic Domains

A relativistic-type residual can be written:

$$\delta^{\text{rel}}_{A|B} = R^{\text{rel}}_{A|B} - 1.$$

The ITOF reassignment is:

$$\delta^{\text{rel}}_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^{\text{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_A, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_B, C_A, C_B, G_{\text{meas}}\Big).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^{\text{rel}}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This equation does not claim that V17 has numerically replaced every relativistic calculation. It states the ITOF ontological assignment: the measured residual belongs to physical realization and operational measurement structure, not to deformation of invariant temporal ordering.

A full predictive replacement or domain-by-domain reconstruction of specific relativistic predictions requires explicit modeling of:

$$\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_A, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_B, C_A, C_B, G_{\text{meas}}.$$

That is a further modeling task. The foundational V17 claim is the ontological reassignment:

$$\text{residual asymmetry} \to \text{physical realization,}$$

not:

$$\text{residual asymmetry} \to \text{temporal deformation.}$$

12.7 Geometry, Measurement, and Temporal Ontology

Relativistic interpretation often uses geometry. ITOF does not deny that geometry is operationally powerful. A measurement geometry organizes distances, signals, coordinates, paths, intervals, and comparisons. Such a structure is represented by:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

It belongs to the physical-operational domain:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

But it is not identical to temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The operational success of a geometry means that the geometry organizes measured relations effectively:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \Rightarrow \text{successful organization of observations.}$$

It does not imply:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}$$

The ITOF distinction is:

$$\text{geometry of measurement} \neq \text{ontology of time.}$$

The former may be empirically and operationally useful. The latter remains fixed as:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

This distinction should be stated without weakening the framework's position. ITOF does not need to deny the usefulness of geometric models. It assigns geometric measurement structures to operational organization of physical observations, not to temporal ontology itself.

12.8 Operational Validity and Ontological Restraint

ITOF distinguishes operational validity from ontological assignment. A model is operationally successful when it predicts observed readings within the relevant uncertainty:

$$\left|\delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}\right| \leq \sigma^{D}_{\text{exp}}.$$

Such success is respected as operational success. The question is what that success establishes ontologically.

In ITOF, operational success establishes that the measurement model successfully organizes physical observations within its domain. It does not by itself establish that time is a deformable physical entity:

$$\boxed{\text{operational success} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This is not a rejection of measurement. It is a limit on ontological over-assignment. The framework does not weaken measurement. It distinguishes between:

$$\text{measured physical asymmetry}$$

and:

$$\text{temporal deformation.}$$

The same distinction applies when a relativistic model predicts a clock difference accurately. ITOF accepts the operational success of the prediction while assigning the measured difference to clock-system realization and measurement structure:

$$\text{accurate clock prediction} \Rightarrow \text{successful prediction of clock-system realization.}$$

But:

$$\text{accurate clock prediction} \not\Rightarrow \text{direct proof of deformable temporal ontology.}$$

12.9 What V17 Accepts and What It Reassigns

The relation to relativistic temporal interpretation can be summarized as follows.

ITOF accepts:

$$\text{measured asymmetries occur,}$$

$$\text{clock readings differ under different physical conditions,}$$

$$\text{measurement geometries organize observations successfully,}$$

$$\text{signal procedures and reference structures support operational comparison,}$$

$$\text{models predict observed readings within uncertainty.}$$

ITOF assigns:

$$\text{measured asymmetry} \to \text{physical realization,}$$

$$\text{clock difference} \to \text{clock-system realization,}$$

$$\text{geometry} \to \text{measurement structure,}$$

$$\text{residual} \to \text{system, influence, environment, and measurement relation.}$$

ITOF rejects the automatic assignment:

$$\text{measured asymmetry} \to \text{temporal deformation.}$$

This is the central relation to relativistic temporal interpretation. The framework does not deny observed effects. It assigns those effects to a different ontological level.

12.10 Section Closure

The present V17 formulation strengthens relativistic reassignment because it includes environmental conditioning:

$$C_A.$$

A measured asymmetry arises through physical systems, realized influence profiles, surrounding environments, and operational measurement structures:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} = \delta_{\mathrm{meas}}^{D}\Big(G_{\mathrm{meas}}, \Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\Big).$$

This remains physical and operational:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \in O_{\mathrm{phys}} \quad \text{or physical-measurement description.}$$

It is not temporal deformation:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \neq \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

The central task is therefore not to deny measured asymmetry, but to fix its ontological assignment. In ITOF, the correct level is physical realization and operational measurement under invariant ordered succession, not deformation of temporal ontology.

Relativistic-type measured asymmetry is assigned to physical realization and operational measurement, not to deformation of invariant temporal ordering. This preserves the operational seriousness of relativistic measurements while limiting their ontological assignment.

13. Internal Consistency, Scope, and Non-Contradiction

The present V17 formulation strengthens the physical-realization side of ITOF by introducing domain implementation, environmental conditioning, response classes, member-level variation, outcome modes, predictive comparison, model error, operational measurement structures, and relativistic-type reassignment. These additions make the framework more physically realistic and more operationally usable. They do not revise the temporal ontology.

The fixed temporal ontology remains:

$$\boxed{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

This equation is not modified by V17. It defines time as invariant ordered succession among physically admissible states. All V17 additions belong to the physical-realization, implementation, prediction, or measurement side of the framework.

The present section verifies that the V17 structure remains internally consistent. The central question is whether any new V17 term causes time to become a physical influence, an environment, a measurement structure, a coefficient, a model error, or a residual. The answer is no.

13.1 Consistency with the Fixed Temporal Ontology

The central V17 realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation does not redefine T_{ITOF}. It states how measurable physical realization is assigned in a bounded domain under invariant ordered succession.

The condition:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}}$$

means that the realization is evaluated under the temporal ordering structure. It does not mean that time is an input of the realization function.

The accepted form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The rejected form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\text{ITOF}}\Big).$$

The rejected form is inconsistent with ITOF because it treats time as a physical realization variable. V17 does not adopt that form.

Thus:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ is an ordering condition, not a realization variable.}}$$

13.2 Consistency of the Exclusion Principles

The present V17 structure preserves the central exclusions:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}},$$

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\},$$

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A,$$

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq C_A,$$

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq G_{\text{meas}}.$$

These exclusions prevent conceptual collapse. Time is not an observable physical magnitude, not a physical influence, not an aggregate of influences, not the surrounding environment, and not the measurement geometry.

The broader V17 exclusion set may be written as:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \Big\{\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, Q_A, G_{\text{meas}}, a_A^D, \epsilon_{\text{model}}^D\Big\}.}$$

This statement does not imply that all listed terms are the same kind of entity. It states that none of them is temporal ontology. They belong to system structure, influence realization, environment, exceptional events, measurement, coefficient approximation, or model error.

13.3 Consistency of the Environmental Term

The environmental term is:

$$C_A.$$

It denotes the surrounding physical context of realization:

$$C_A = \text{surrounding physical context of realization for system } A.$$

It belongs to the physical-realization side:

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

but it is not time:

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Its role is:

$$C_A \text{ conditions how } \mathcal{E}_A^D \text{ is realized through } \Theta_A.$$

This role does not make C_A identical to $\mathcal{E}_A^D$. The realized influence profile remains:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \text{acting realized domain-specific profile,}$$

while the environment remains:

$$C_A = \text{physical context of realization.}$$

In some domains, a component of the surrounding environment may also act as part of the influence profile. When it functions as an acting influence, it may enter:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

When it functions as the surrounding context of realization, it is represented by:

$$C_A.$$

This boundary may require domain-specific modeling, but it does not create a temporal ambiguity.

Thus:

$$\boxed{C_A \text{ strengthens physical realization without becoming time.}}$$

13.4 Consistency of Response Classes

Response classes are implementation tools:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

They classify systems by dominant response organization for bounded modeling purposes. They are not identity classes:

$$[\Theta]_k \neq \text{complete identity class.}$$

Therefore:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Theta_{A_m} = \Theta_{A_n},$$

and:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{A_n}.$$

The member-level relation is:

$$\Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k} + \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}.$$

The intra-class residual is:

$$\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} = \varepsilon^D\left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\right).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This is consistent with the V17 structure because the member-level equation refines physical realization. It does not introduce a member-specific time.

13.5 Consistency of the Three Intra-Class Factors

V17 identifies three primary sources of intra-class variation:

$$\Theta_{A_m}, \qquad C_{A_m}, \qquad Q_{A_m}.$$

These correspond to member-specific response organization and resistance, local environment, and exceptional conditions.

Member-specific resistance belongs inside:

$$\Theta_{A_m}.$$

It is not introduced as a separate temporal variable.

The local environment is:

$$C_{A_m}.$$

It is not time:

$$C_{A_m} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

Exceptional conditions are:

$$Q_{A_m}.$$

They are physical or operational abnormalities affecting the member-level realization. They are not time:

$$Q_{A_m} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

The controlled rule is:

$$\boxed{\text{no fourth primary intra-class factor is introduced in V17.}}$$

This rule is a discipline of classification. Additional details should be placed under Θ_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, or Q_{A_m} unless the framework is explicitly revised.

13.6 Consistency of Outcome Modes

The outcome mode is:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).$$

This equation classifies the direction or significance of physical realization for a system in a domain. It does not replace:

$$\Delta X_A^D.$$

It also does not replace:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.$$

The temporal exclusion is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

Different outcome modes between systems or members are assigned to physical-realization differences:

$$\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq \mathcal{O}_B^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The non-fixed outcome principle remains consistent:

$$E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed benefit},$$

and:

$$E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed harm}.$$

Outcome direction is determined through:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A,$$

not through temporal deformation.

13.7 Consistency of Prediction and Progressive Closure

Prediction in V17 compares calculated and observed physical realization:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} = F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right),$$

and:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}}.$$

Predictive adequacy is:

$$\left|\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

For residuals:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}}\right| \le \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

If prediction fails, the refinement target is physical:

$$\Theta, \quad \mathcal{E}^D, \quad C, \quad F, \quad [\Theta], \quad Q, \quad a, \quad G_{\text{meas}}, \quad \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

The refinement target is not:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\text{predictive failure refines physical realization, not temporal ontology.}}$$

This is consistent with V16 predictive closure and with the V17 domain-implemented extension.

13.8 Consistency of Model Error

The single-system model error is:

$$\epsilon_{A,\text{model}}^D = \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

The comparative model error is:

$$\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D = \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{calc}}.$$

The closures are:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{A,\text{model}}^D \ne 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \ne 0,}$$

and:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D \ne 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \ne 0.}$$

Model error belongs to the mismatch between observed and calculated physical realization. It may require refinement of system characterization, influence profiles, environment, coefficients, measurement structure, response class, exceptional condition, or uncertainty estimate. It does not require refinement of time.

Thus:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D \Rightarrow \text{refine physical-realization modeling, not } T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

13.9 Consistency of Coefficient Grounding

Coefficient approximations are implementation tools. A simple approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D E_D.$$

A nonlinear approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_{A1}^D E_D + a_{A2}^D E_D^2 + a_{A3}^D E_D^3 + \cdots .$$

An environment-conditioned approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D(C_A)E_D.$$

These expressions approximate:

$$F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).$$

They do not replace the central V17 law, and their coefficients are not temporal parameters:

$$\boxed{a_A^D,\ a_A^D(C_A),\ a_{Ai}^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Coefficient refinement:

$$a_A^D \to a_{A,\text{refined}}^D$$

does not imply:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF,refined}}.$$

Therefore:

$$\boxed{\text{coefficient refinement is physical-model refinement, not temporal refinement.}}$$

13.10 Consistency of Measurement Structures

Observed realization may be written as:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right)\right).$$

The measurement structure belongs to operational representation:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

It is not time:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

A successful measurement geometry means successful organization of observations. It does not imply deformable temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}}$$

This preserves the distinction:

$$\text{measurement geometry} \neq \text{temporal ontology.}$$

13.11 Consistency of Relativistic Reassignment

Relativistic-type measured asymmetry is assigned to physical realization and measurement structure:

$$\delta^{\rm rel}_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\rm ITOF}} = \delta^{\rm rel}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^{\rm rel}_A, \mathcal{E}^{\rm rel}_B, C_A, C_B, G_{\rm meas}\Big).$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^{\rm rel}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\rm ITOF} \neq 0.}$$

This equation does not deny measured asymmetry. It assigns that asymmetry to physical realization and operational measurement, not to deformation of invariant ordered succession. It also does not claim that V17 numerically replaces every relativistic calculation in the present paper. A full predictive replacement would require domain-by-domain modeling. The present claim is the ontological reassignment.

13.12 Scope of V17

V17 closes the domain-implemented physical-realization architecture of ITOF. It does not claim complete numerical solution of every physical domain:

$$\text{foundational closure} \neq \text{complete numerical solution of all domains.}$$

The foundational closure is:

$$T_{\rm ITOF} = (S, \prec).$$

The domain-implemented realization closure is:

$$\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\rm ITOF}} = F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big).$$

A specific domain may require:

$$F^D_A \to F^D_{A,\rm specified}.$$

This does not reopen time:

$$\boxed{F^D_A \to F^D_{A,\rm specified} \not\Rightarrow T_{\rm ITOF} \to T_{\rm ITOF,refined}.}$$

Thus, V17 is foundational in ontological and structural assignment, while domain-specific numerical completion remains a further modeling task.

13.13 Global Non-Contradiction Map

The compressed non-contradiction map is:

$$T_{\rm ITOF} = (S, \prec)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$C_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}, \qquad G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\delta_{A|B}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

No equation in this chain requires time to become a physical influence, an aggregate, an environment, a measurement structure, a coefficient, a model error, or a residual.

13.14 Section Closure

The final consistency statement is:

V17 strengthens the physical-realization equation while preserving the temporal ontology. It carries V15's invariant temporal ordering and V16's predictive closure into a domain-implemented framework where system response, influence profile, environment, member variation, measurement structure, and model error are fixed as physical-realization terms under invariant ordered succession.

14. Constraint and Challenge Conditions

The preceding section verified the internal consistency of the V17 formulation. The present section states the conditions under which the framework is constrained, challenged, or refined. This section is necessary because ITOF does not treat its physical-realization assignments as immune from test. The framework preserves a fixed temporal ontology, but the physical-realization models built under that ontology remain open to domain-specific refinement, predictive testing, measurement correction, and empirical challenge.

The fixed temporal ontology is:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

The central implementation-conditioned domain-realization law is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.$$

The constraint principle is that empirical or operational challenge acts first on the physical-realization side:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A, \qquad F_A^D, \qquad G_{\text{meas}},$$

not directly on the invariant ordering relation:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

This does not mean that the framework avoids challenge. It means that the location of challenge is specified. A failed prediction challenges the realization model, the influence profile, the environmental specification, the response class, the coefficient approximation, the measurement structure, or the uncertainty bound. It does not automatically establish temporal deformation.

14.1 Challenge to Influence-Character Exclusion

The first possible challenge concerns the exclusion:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.$$

To overturn this exclusion, it would not be enough to show that clocks differ, systems change, or measured residuals occur. Such observations already belong to:

$$O_{\text{phys}}.$$

A genuine challenge would have to show that time itself possesses physical influence-character in the same sense that heat, pressure, radiation, motion, field interaction, or chemical influence possesses influence-character.

That challenge would require evidence that time acts as a physical input to realization:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\text{ITOF}}\Big),$$

rather than merely conditioning the ordering under which realization is distinguishable:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The distinction is strict. A measured difference does not by itself establish:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \in \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.$$

A clock asymmetry does not by itself establish:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock}} \Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The required challenge would have to isolate time as an acting physical influence independent of system response, realized influence profile, environment, and measurement structure.

Thus the constraint is:

$$\boxed{\text{measured change challenges the realization model before it challenges the ontology of time.}}$$

14.2 Challenge to Physical-Realization Assignment

A second challenge concerns the assignment:

$$\Delta X_A^D \Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D \Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A \Big) .$$

This assignment can be challenged at the physical-realization level. A domain model may fail because the response organization is incomplete:

$$\Theta_A \quad \text{under-specified.}$$

It may fail because the influence profile is incomplete:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \quad \text{under-specified.}$$

It may fail because the environment is incomplete:

$$C_A \quad \text{under-specified.}$$

It may fail because the realization function is too coarse:

$$F_A^D \quad \text{requires refinement.}$$

The challenge condition is:

$$\left| \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \right| > \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

When this occurs, the first inference is:

$$\text{physical-realization refinement is required.}$$

The first inference is not:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The refinement map is:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D \to \Theta_{A,\mathrm{refined}}, \mathcal{E}_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^D, C_{A,\mathrm{refined}}, F_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^D.$$

This may improve the calculated realization:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{calc}} \to \Delta X_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^{D,\mathrm{calc}}.$$

The target is:

$$\left| \Delta X_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} \right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^D.$$

The temporal ontology remains:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

14.3 Challenge through Comparative Residuals

A stronger challenge may arise through comparative residuals. For two systems:

$$R^D_{A|B} = \frac{\Delta X^D_A}{\Delta X^D_B},$$

with:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = R^D_{A|B} - 1.$$

A calculated residual is:

$$\delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B},$$

and an observed residual is:

$$\delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}.$$

The comparative challenge condition is:

$$\left|\delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}\right| > \sigma^D_{\text{exp}}.$$

This condition means that the comparative realization model is inadequate within the domain as specified. The refinement target may include:

$$\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B, F^D_A, F^D_B, [\Theta], Q, a, G_{\text{meas}}, \sigma^D_{\text{exp}}.$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\left|\delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}\right| > \sigma^D_{\text{exp}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This does not make the framework unfalsifiable. It states where falsification or refinement acts. A specific domain model can fail. A coefficient approximation can fail. A class assignment can fail. A measurement structure can fail. An environmental description can fail. But a failed residual model is not automatically a demonstration that invariant ordered succession deforms.

14.4 Null Residuals and Significant Residuals

V17 also constrains how both significant and null residuals are interpreted.

If:

$$\left|\delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}\right| > \sigma^D_{\text{exp}},$$

then a significant residual is observed. ITOF assigns this residual to physical-realization difference:

$$\delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B} = \delta^D\left(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\right),$$

possibly including measurement structure:

$$G_{\text{meas}}.$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\left|\delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B}\right| > \sigma^D_{\text{exp}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

If:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D},$$

then no significant residual is observed within the domain and uncertainty bound. This does not prove that all systems are physically identical. It means that any difference is bounded or undetected under the measurement and modeling conditions:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D} \Rightarrow \text{bounded or null residual under tested conditions.}$$

Both significant and null residuals constrain the physical-realization model. Significant residuals indicate measurable divergence. Null residuals restrict the possible difference between systems, profiles, environments, or measurement structures. Neither case requires temporal deformation.

14.5 Challenge from Operational Success

A separate challenge arises from operational success. A measurement framework may predict observed clock readings, signal relations, or coordinate-dependent measurements with high accuracy:

$$\left|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\mathrm{obs}}\right| \leq \sigma_{\mathrm{exp}}^{D}.$$

ITOF accepts this operational success. The question is what the success establishes ontologically.

Operational success establishes:

$$\text{successful organization of physical observations.}$$

It does not by itself establish:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\text{operational success} \not\Rightarrow \text{temporal deformation.}}$$

This condition is especially important in relation to relativistic temporal interpretation. A successful relativistic measurement model may organize observed clock differences, signal paths, or gravitational/velocity-dependent readings. ITOF accepts that success as operational measurement success while reassigning the measured residual to physical realization and measurement structure:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{rel}} = \delta^{\mathrm{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^{\mathrm{rel}}, \mathcal{E}_B^{\mathrm{rel}}, C_A, C_B, G_{\mathrm{meas}}\Big).$$

The closure remains:

$$\delta_{A|B}^{\mathrm{rel}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

14.6 Challenge from Domain Expansion

A domain may be too narrow. A realization model may omit relevant physical influences, environmental factors, coupling terms, or member-level exceptions. In such cases, the appropriate refinement is domain expansion:

$$D \to D_{\mathrm{expanded}}.$$

The influence profile may be expanded:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \to \mathcal{E}_A^{D_{\text{expanded}}}.$$

The realization function may be expanded:

$$F_A^D \to F_A^{D_{\text{expanded}}}.$$

For example, an initially isolated model:

$$F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right)$$

may require coupled-domain form:

$$F_A^{D_1+D_2}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2}, C_A\right).$$

This is a physical-model expansion. It is not temporal expansion:

$$D \to D_{\text{expanded}} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF,expanded}}.$$

Thus, when the modeled domain is incomplete, V17 expands the realization model, not the temporal ontology.

14.7 Challenge from Response-Class Misclassification

A response-class assignment may be wrong or too coarse:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

If member deviations are persistently larger than the class bound:

$$\left|\varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D\right| > \sigma_k^D,$$

then the response class may require refinement:

$$[\Theta]_k \to [\Theta]_{k,\text{refined}},$$

or the member may require reclassification:

$$A_m \in [\Theta]_k \to A_m \in [\Theta]_l.$$

This is a classification challenge:

$$\text{class assignment fails} \Rightarrow \text{response-class refinement.}$$

It is not a temporal challenge:

$$\boxed{\left|\varepsilon_{A_m|k}^D\right| > \sigma_k^D \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

This condition strengthens V17 because it allows the implementation layer to be corrected without weakening the invariant temporal ontology.

14.8 Final Constraint Closure

The constraint structure of V17 can be summarized as follows:

$$\text{prediction failure} \Rightarrow \text{physical-realization refinement},$$

$$\text{residual mismatch} \Rightarrow \text{comparative-model refinement},$$

$$\text{measurement mismatch} \Rightarrow \text{measurement-structure refinement},$$

$$\text{coefficient failure} \Rightarrow \text{coefficient or functional refinement},$$

$$\text{class failure} \Rightarrow \text{response-class refinement},$$

$$\text{domain failure} \Rightarrow \text{domain expansion or coupling refinement}.$$

None of these implies:

$$\delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.$$

The final closure is:

> V17 tests physical-realization adequacy; it does not convert predictive failure, residual mismatch, measurement mismatch, coefficient failure, class failure, or domain failure into time as a hidden physical variable.

This preserves the scientific openness of the framework. V17 models can fail, improve, and become more precise. What remains fixed is the temporal ontology:

$$T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).$$

15. Conclusion and Minimal Equation Spine

The present V17 formulation closes the implementation-conditioned domain-realization architecture of the Invariant Temporal Ordering Framework under invariant ordered succession. It preserves the temporal ontology established in V15, preserves the predictive residual closure developed in V16, and completes the next structural step by adding the surrounding physical environment C_A as a necessary condition of domain implementation.

The central conclusion is:

> Time is invariant ordered succession. It is not a physical influence, not an aggregate of influences, not the surrounding environment, not a measurement structure, not a coefficient, and not model error.

The fixed temporal ontology remains:

$$\boxed{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

Here S denotes physically admissible states, and $\prec$ denotes invariant ordered succession among those states.

For a measurable physical quantity:

$$X : S \to \mathbb{R},$$

the measurable difference between ordered states is:

$$\Delta X_{ij} = X(S_j) - X(S_i).$$

The foundational distinction remains:

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}.}$$

Temporal ordering and measurable physical difference are therefore not identical. A physical system may undergo measurable realization under ordered succession, but the measured realization is not the temporal ordering itself.

15.1 The Central V17 Law

The central equation of V17 is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

This equation states that measurable realization in a bounded domain D is assigned to the relation among:

$$\Theta_A = \text{system response organization},$$

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \text{realized domain-specific influence profile},$$

$$C_A = \text{surrounding physical environment or local physical context}.$$

The condition:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}}$$

indicates invariant ordered succession. It does not make time a causal input into the realization function.

The accepted form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).$$

The rejected form is:

$$\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}\Big).$$

The rejected form incorrectly treats time as a physical realization variable. V17 does not adopt it.

Thus, V17 strengthens physical realization without changing temporal ontology.

15.2 Preserved Exclusions

The minimal exclusion set is:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}.}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A.}$$

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Together, the broader V17 exclusion may be written as:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \left\{\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, Q_A, G_{\text{meas}}, a_A^D, \epsilon_{\text{model}}^D\right\}.}$$

This expression does not claim that all listed terms are the same kind of entity. It states that none of them is temporal ontology. They belong to physical realization, implementation, measurement, approximation, or model refinement.

15.3 Domain Implementation

V17 implements realization within bounded domains:

$$D.$$

A realized domain-specific profile is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

A compact profile mapping may be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{E}_A^D = \mathcal{L}_D\big(&E_D(\Pi_D); C_A, I_D, M_D, X_D,\\ &K_D, B_D, U_D\big).\end{aligned}$$

Here the common effect-dimensions specify intensity, mode, exposure, coupling, boundary or threshold conditions, and controllability. These are implementation descriptors. They are not temporal variables.

The domain sequence is:

$$E_D(\Pi_D) \longrightarrow \mathcal{E}_A^D \longrightarrow F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big) \longrightarrow \Delta X_A^D.$$

The outcome remains physical:

$$\Delta X_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}}.$$

The temporal closure remains:

$$\Delta X_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

15.4 Residual Assignment

For two systems:

$$R^D_{A|B} = \frac{\Delta X^D_A}{\Delta X^D_B},$$

and:

$$\delta^D_{A|B} = R^D_{A|B} - 1.$$

The V17 residual assignment is:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big).}$$

The closure remains:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Measured residuals are not denied. They are assigned to physical-realization differences rather than temporal deformation.

15.5 Response Classes and Member Variation

A response class is represented by:

$$\boxed{A \in [\Theta]_k.}$$

This means that system A belongs to a bounded response-similarity class. It does not mean that all members of the class are identical.

Therefore:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Theta_{A_m} = \Theta_{A_n},$$

and:

$$A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{A_n}.$$

The class-to-member relation is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k} + \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}.}$$

The intra-class residual is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} = \varepsilon^D\Big(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\Big).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The three primary intra-class factors are:

$$\Theta_{A_m} = \text{member-specific response organization and resistance},$$

$$C_{A_m} = \text{local or surrounding environment},$$

$$Q_{A_m} = \text{accidental or exceptional event conditions.}$$

No fourth primary intra-class factor is introduced in V17 unless the framework is explicitly revised.

A high-level response-class distinction may also be represented as:

$$A \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}}, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

This distinction does not introduce temporal classes. It identifies different response organizations:

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}},$$

with the closure:

$$\boxed{[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

15.6 Outcome Modes

The outcome mode is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).}$$

This classifies the direction or significance of measurable realization for the system.

A physical influence does not carry a fixed outcome direction:

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed benefit.}}$$

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed harm.}}$$

The outcome direction belongs to:

$$\Theta_A, \qquad \mathcal{E}_A^D, \qquad C_A.$$

It does not belong to time:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

15.7 Controllability and Progressive Closure

V17 distinguishes control of physical-realization conditions from control of time. Influence profiles, environments, system structures, and exceptional conditions may be bounded or modified:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D \to \mathcal{E}_{A,\text{controlled}}^D,$$

$$C_A \to C_{A,\text{controlled}},$$

$$\Theta_A \to \Theta_A^{\text{modified}},$$

$$Q_A \to Q_{A,\text{bounded}}.$$

These operations may change:

$$\Delta X_A^D \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{O}_A^D.$$

But:

$$\boxed{\text{control of realization conditions} \not\Rightarrow \text{control of time.}}$$

The progressive closure principle is:

$$\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, F_A^D \text{ sufficiently constrained} \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D \text{ predictively constrained.}$$

Weakly constrained components produce weaker predictions; refined components produce stronger predictions. This is physical-realization refinement, not temporal refinement.

15.8 Prediction and Model Error

A calculated realization is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big).}$$

The observed realization is:

$$\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}.$$

Predictive adequacy is:

$$\boxed{\Big|\Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}}\Big| \leq \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.}$$

For comparative residuals:

$$\boxed{\Big|\delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{calc}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}}\Big| \leq \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.}$$

If prediction fails, the model is refined:

$$\text{refine } \Theta, \mathcal{E}^D, C, F, [\Theta], Q, a, G_{\text{meas}}, \sigma_{\text{exp}}^D.$$

Time is not refined:

$$\boxed{\text{prediction failure} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The model-error equations are:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{A,\text{model}}^D = \Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} - \Delta X_A^{D,\text{calc}}.}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D = \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{obs}} - \delta_{A|B}^{D,\text{calc}}.}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\text{model}}^D \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

15.9 Coefficient Grounding

A simple bounded approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D E_D.$$

A nonlinear approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_{A1}^D E_D + a_{A2}^D E_D^2 + a_{A3}^D E_D^3 + \cdots .$$

An environment-conditioned approximation may be:

$$\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D(C_A) E_D.$$

These approximations are not foundational replacements for the V17 law. They are bounded representations of:

$$F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right).$$

The coefficients are not temporal parameters:

$$\boxed{a_A^D,\ a_A^D(C_A),\ a_{Ai}^D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Coefficient refinement is therefore physical-model refinement:

$$\boxed{a_A^D \to a_{A,\text{refined}}^D \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \to T_{\text{ITOF,refined}}.}$$

15.10 Measurement Structures

Observed realization is represented by:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\text{obs}} = G_{\text{meas}}\left(F_A^D\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\right)\right).}$$

The measurement structure belongs to physical-operational representation:

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

It is not time:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

A successful measurement geometry organizes observations. It does not become temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{G_{\text{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow T_{\text{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}}$$

Clock output is also physical:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

and:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

15.11 Relativistic-Type Reassignment

V17 preserves an independent relation to relativistic temporal interpretation. It does not deny measured relativistic-type asymmetry. It reassigns its ontological interpretation.

For relativistic-type measured asymmetry:

$$\boxed{\delta^{\text{rel}}_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^{\text{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_A, \mathcal{E}^{\text{rel}}_B, C_A, C_B, G_{\text{meas}}\Big).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^{\text{rel}}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

ITOF accepts:

$$\text{measured asymmetry occurs.}$$

It assigns:

$$\text{measured asymmetry} \to \text{physical realization and operational measurement.}$$

It rejects the automatic assignment:

$$\text{measured asymmetry} \to \text{temporal deformation.}$$

Thus, relativistic-type measurement is treated as a high-sensitivity physical-realization and operational-comparison domain, not as direct evidence that invariant temporal ordering is deformable.

15.12 Final Operational Realization Chain

The complete V17 operational chain can be written as:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$A \in [\Theta]_k$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\Delta X^{D,\text{obs}}_A = G_{\text{meas}}\Big(F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big)\Big)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\epsilon^D_{A,\text{model}} = \Delta X^{D,\text{obs}}_A - \Delta X^{D,\text{calc}}_A.$$

This chain identifies the correct level of assignment. Temporal ordering provides the invariant ordered condition. The system A is treated as a specified system or member of a bounded response class. Physical realization produces the measurable outcome. Measurement structure organizes the observed representation. Model error measures the mismatch between calculation and observation. None of these steps requires time to become a physical influence, environment, measurement structure, coefficient, or error term.

Thus:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{A,\text{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

For comparative realization, the corresponding operational chain is class-conditioned:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_m.$$

$$\delta^D_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B} = \delta^D_{\text{meas}}\Big(G_{\text{meas}}, \Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big)$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} = \delta^{D,\text{obs}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\text{calc}}_{A|B}.$$

Thus:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

15.13 Minimal Equation Spine

The compact V17 equation spine is:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)}$$

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A}$$

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}, \qquad G_{\text{meas}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_A\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_A\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}^D_A = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^D_A, C_A\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon^D_{\text{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0}$$

This equation spine is sufficient to identify the V17 architecture.

15.14 Final Statement

V17 closes the implementation-conditioned domain-realization architecture of ITOF under invariant ordered succession. It does not claim complete numerical solution of all physical domains. It claims a controlled foundational assignment: measurable outcomes are realized through system response organization, realized domain-specific influence profiles, and surrounding physical environment, while temporal ordering remains invariant.

$$\text{measured outcomes} \rightarrow \text{domain-conditioned physical realization.}$$

$$\text{measured residuals} \rightarrow \text{differences in } (\Theta, \mathcal{E}^D, C), \text{ not temporal deformation.}$$

$$\text{measurement structures} \rightarrow \text{operational organization, not temporal ontology.}$$

$$\text{relativistic-type asymmetry} \rightarrow \text{physical realization and measurement, not deformable time.}$$

The final interpretive discipline of V17 is the fixed assignment of measured asymmetry to the correct ontological level. Measured asymmetry is physical and operational; invariant ordered succession is temporal. Confusing these levels produces the appearance of temporal deformation where ITOF assigns implementation-conditioned physical realization.

V17 therefore does not weaken measurement; it strengthens the ontological discipline of measurement by assigning measured outcomes, residuals, and operational asymmetries to physical realization rather than to deformation of time. No measured asymmetry, model correction, operational geometry, clock comparison, or domain residual changes the ontological level of T_{ITOF} unless time itself is first shown to possess physical influence-character.

> The final identity of V17 is implementation-conditioned domain realization under invariant ordered succession. Time remains $T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)$; domain outcomes are assigned to $F_A^D(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A)$.

A. Compact Notation and Equation Index

This appendix collects the compact notation and equation index for the V17 formulation. It is not a separate argument. It is a reference map for the main symbols, definitions, and equations used in the paper.

A.1 Temporal Ontology

The temporal ontology of ITOF is:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec).}$$

Here:

$$S = \text{the set of physically admissible states,}$$

and:

$$\prec = \text{the invariant ordered-succession relation.}$$

The ordering relation:

$$S_i \prec S_j$$

means that state S_i precedes state S_j in the invariant ordering structure.

For a measurable physical quantity:

$$X : S \to \mathbb{R},$$

the measurable physical difference between two ordered states is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_{ij} = X(S_j) - X(S_i).}$$

The foundational distinction is:

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}.}$$

Temporal ordering is not identical to measured physical difference:

$$T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \Delta X_{ij}.$$

A.2 Observable Physical Domain

The observable or operational physical domain is:

$$O_{\text{phys}}.$$

Physical outcomes, measurements, clock readings, residuals, model errors, environmental descriptions, and operational structures belong to the physical or operational side:

$$\Delta X_A^D \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

$$G_{\text{meas}} \in O_{\text{phys}} \quad \text{or operational representation.}$$

The temporal ordering is excluded:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}.}$$

A.3 Physical Influences and Aggregated Profiles

A physical influence is represented as:

$$\boxed{E_i = E_i(\Pi_i).}$$

Here Π_i denotes the properties, components, or modes through which the influence acts.

Time is not a physical influence:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}.}$$

An aggregated or realized influence profile may be represented as:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{E}_A = \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{E}}(E_1(\Pi_1), E_2(\Pi_2), \ldots, E_n(\Pi_n))\,.}$$

Time is not the aggregate:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A.}$$

A.4 Domain-Specific Realization

A bounded implementation domain is denoted by:

$$D.$$

In implementation, the system is specified as a member of a bounded response class:

$$A \in [\Theta]_k.$$

Therefore, an implemented-domain relation is class-conditioned:

$$(D,\ A \in [\Theta]_k,\ \Theta_A,\ \mathcal{E}_A^D,\ C_A) \Rightarrow \Delta X_A^D.$$

The realized domain-specific influence profile acting on system A is:

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D.$$

The surrounding physical environment or local context of realization is:

$$C_A.$$

The central V17 law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

The meanings are:

$$\Theta_A = \text{system response organization},$$

$$\mathcal{E}_A^D = \text{realized domain-specific influence profile},$$

$$C_A = \text{surrounding physical environment or local physical context,}$$

$$F_A^D = \text{domain-specific realization function,}$$

$$\Delta X_A^D = \text{measurable realization of system } A \text{ in domain } D.$$

The environment is physical:

$$C_A \in O_{\text{phys}},$$

but not temporal:

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

The rejected form is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A, T_{\text{ITOF}}\Big).}$$

This form is rejected because it treats time as a physical realization variable.

A.5 Domain-Profile Mapping

A compact domain-profile mapping may be written as:

$$\boxed{\begin{gathered}\mathcal{E}_A^D = \mathcal{L}_D\big(E_D(\Pi_D); C_A, I_D, M_D, X_D, \\ K_D, B_D, U_D\big).\end{gathered}}$$

Here:

$$I_D = \text{intensity or magnitude,}$$

$$M_D = \text{mode of action,}$$

$$X_D = \text{exposure structure,}$$

$$K_D = \text{coupling or interaction structure,}$$

$$B_D = \text{boundary, threshold, or limit conditions,}$$

$$U_D = \text{controllability or operational bounding.}$$

These dimensions specify the realized profile. They are not temporal variables:

$$I_D, M_D, X_D, K_D, B_D, U_D \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.$$

A.6 Representative Domains

A compact representative domain set is:

$$D \in \{H, W, M, Int, P, F, R, Chem, \ldots\}.$$

Here:

$$H = \text{thermal or cold-related realization,}$$

$$W = \text{wind or flow realization},$$

$$M = \text{motion, vibration, or mechanical realization},$$

$$Int = \text{interaction or coupling realization},$$

$$P = \text{pressure-related realization},$$

$$F = \text{field-related realization},$$

$$R = \text{radiative realization},$$

$$Chem = \text{chemical realization}.$$

For every bounded domain:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

A.7 Coupled Realization

For coupled domains:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{E}}(E_{D_1}, E_{D_2}; C_A)\,.}$$

The coupled realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^{D_1+D_2}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{D_1+D_2}, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

Non-additive realization may occur:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A(E_1, E_2) \neq \Delta X_A(E_1) + \Delta X_A(E_2) \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

A.8 Outcome Modes

The outcome mode is:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

A domain influence does not carry fixed outcome direction:

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed benefit.}}$$

$$\boxed{E_D(\Pi_D) \not\Rightarrow \text{fixed harm.}}$$

The outcome mode is not temporal ontology:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

A.9 Response Classes

A response class is:

$$\boxed{[\Theta]_k = \text{bounded response-similarity class.}}$$

Class membership is:

$$\boxed{A \in [\Theta]_k.}$$

Class membership does not imply member identity:

$$\boxed{A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Theta_{A_m} = \Theta_{A_n}.}$$

It also does not imply identical realization:

$$\boxed{A_m, A_n \in [\Theta]_k \not\Rightarrow \Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{A_n}.}$$

A.10 Living and Nonliving Response Classes

$$[\Theta]_{\text{living}} = \text{high-level living response-organization class.}$$

$$[\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}} = \text{high-level nonliving response-organization class.}$$

These are broad response classes, not complete physical-identity classes.

$$A \in [\Theta]_{\text{living}}, \qquad B \in [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}}.$$

$$\boxed{[\Theta]_{\text{living}} \neq [\Theta]_{\text{nonliving}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Living-system decline:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^{D,\text{decline}}_A \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^{D,\text{decline}}_A \left(\Theta^{\text{living}}_A, \mathcal{E}^{D,\text{decline}}_A, C_A \right).}$$

A.11 Member-Level Realization

The ordinary member-level realization law is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m} \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_{A_m} \left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m} \right).}$$

With exceptional conditions:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m} \Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F^D_{A_m} \left(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m} \right).}$$

The exceptional condition is:

$$Q_{A_m} = \text{accidental or exceptional event condition.}$$

It is not time:

$$\boxed{Q_{A_m} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

A.12 Intra-Class Variation

The class-to-member relation is:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^D_{A_m} = \Delta X^D_{[\Theta]_k} + \varepsilon^D_{A_m|k}.}$$

The intra-class residual is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} = \varepsilon^D\Big(\Theta_{A_m}, \mathcal{E}^D_{A_m}, C_{A_m}, Q_{A_m}\Big).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon^D_{A_m|k} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The three primary intra-class variation factors are:

$$\boxed{\Theta_{A_m} = \text{member-specific response organization and resistance.}}$$

$$\boxed{C_{A_m} = \text{local or surrounding environment.}}$$

$$\boxed{Q_{A_m} = \text{accidental or exceptional condition.}}$$

No fourth primary intra-class factor is introduced in V17:

$$\boxed{\text{no fourth primary intra-class factor is introduced in V17.}}$$

A.13 Comparative Ratios and Residuals

For two systems:

$$\boxed{R^D_{A|B} = \frac{\Delta X^D_A}{\Delta X^D_B}.}$$

The residual is:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B} = R^D_{A|B} - 1.}$$

The V17 residual assignment is:

$$\boxed{\delta^D_{A|B}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}^D_A, \mathcal{E}^D_B, C_A, C_B\Big).}$$

The closure is:

$$\boxed{\delta^{D}_{A|B} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

A.14 Prediction

Calculated realization:

$$\boxed{\Delta X^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A} = F^{D}_{A}\left(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}^{D}_{A}, C_A\right).}$$

Observed realization:

$$\Delta X^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A}.$$

Single-system predictive adequacy:

$$\boxed{\left|\Delta X^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A} - \Delta X^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A}\right| \leq \sigma^{D}_{\mathrm{exp}}.}$$

Comparative predictive adequacy:

$$\boxed{\left|\delta^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A|B}\right| \leq \sigma^{D}_{\mathrm{exp}}.}$$

Predictive failure does not imply temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\text{prediction failure} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

A.15 Model Error

Single-system model error:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{A,\mathrm{model}} = \Delta X^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A} - \Delta X^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A}.}$$

Comparative model error:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{\mathrm{model}} = \delta^{D,\mathrm{obs}}_{A|B} - \delta^{D,\mathrm{calc}}_{A|B}.}$$

Model error does not imply temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{A,\mathrm{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{\mathrm{model}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

The refinement target is:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{\mathrm{model}} \Rightarrow \text{refine } \Theta, \mathcal{E}^{D}, C, F, [\Theta], Q, a, G_{\mathrm{meas}}, \sigma^{D}_{\mathrm{exp}}.}$$

Not:

$$\boxed{\epsilon^{D}_{\mathrm{model}} \not\Rightarrow \text{refine } T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

A.16 Coefficient Approximations

A simple bounded approximation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D E_D.}$$

A nonlinear approximation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D = a_{A1}^D E_D + a_{A2}^D E_D^2 + a_{A3}^D E_D^3 + \cdots .}$$

An environment-conditioned coefficient:

$$\boxed{a_A^D = a_A^D(C_A).}$$

An environment-conditioned approximation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D = a_A^D(C_A) E_D.}$$

Coefficients are not temporal parameters:

$$\boxed{a_A^D,\ a_A^D(C_A),\ a_{Ai}^D \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

Coefficient refinement is not temporal refinement:

$$\boxed{a_A^D \to a_{A,\mathrm{refined}}^D \not\Rightarrow T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \to T_{\mathrm{ITOF,refined}}.}$$

A.17 Measurement Structure

The measurement structure is:

$$G_{\mathrm{meas}}.$$

Observed realization:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{D,\mathrm{obs}} = G_{\mathrm{meas}}\Big(F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)\Big).}$$

Measurement structure is not time:

$$\boxed{G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}.}$$

Operational success does not imply temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{G_{\mathrm{meas}} \text{ successful} \not\Rightarrow T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \text{ deformable.}}$$

A.18 Clock Systems

Clock-system realization:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = F_A^{\text{clock}}\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{clock}}, C_A\Big)\,.}$$

Clock output is physical:

$$\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \in O_{\text{phys}}.$$

Clock output is not time:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq T_{\text{ITOF}}.}$$

Clock-reading difference does not imply temporal deformation:

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^{\text{clock}} \neq \Delta X_B^{\text{clock}} \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

A.19 Relativistic-Type Reassignment

Relativistic-type residual:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{\text{rel}}\Big|_{T_{\text{ITOF}}} = \delta^{\text{rel}}\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^{\text{rel}}, \mathcal{E}_B^{\text{rel}}, C_A, C_B, G_{\text{meas}}\Big)\,.}$$

Closure:

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^{\text{rel}} \neq 0 \not\Rightarrow \delta T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq 0.}$$

Assignment:

$$\boxed{\text{measured asymmetry} \rightarrow \text{physical realization and operational measurement.}}$$

Rejected assignment:

$$\boxed{\text{measured asymmetry} \not\rightarrow \text{temporal deformation.}}$$

A.20 Final Minimal Spine

The compact V17 equation spine is:

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} = (S, \prec)}$$

$$\boxed{S_i \prec S_j \neq \Delta X_{ij}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin O_{\text{phys}}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \notin \{E_i(\Pi_i)\}}$$

$$\boxed{T_{\text{ITOF}} \neq \mathcal{E}_A}$$

$$\boxed{C_A \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}, \qquad G_{\mathrm{meas}} \neq T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta X_A^D\Big|_{T_{\mathrm{ITOF}}} = F_A^D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}_A^D = \Omega_D\Big(\Theta_A, \mathcal{E}_A^D, C_A\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^D = \delta^D\Big(\Theta_A, \Theta_B, \mathcal{E}_A^D, \mathcal{E}_B^D, C_A, C_B\Big)}$$

$$\boxed{\delta_{A|B}^D \neq 0 \nRightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0}$$

$$\boxed{\epsilon_{\mathrm{model}}^D \neq 0 \nRightarrow \delta T_{\mathrm{ITOF}} \neq 0}$$

$$\boxed{\text{V17: implementation-conditioned domain realization under invariant ordered succession.}}$$

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