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Abstract

A v1.0 operative architectural specification by Lee Sharks and Johannes Sigil defining the Crimson Hexagonal Archive's press layer as two imprints plus a distributed journal family.

Pergamon Press is assigned to journals and scholarly working papers; **New Human Press** to creative releases and book-length theoretical editions. The specification forbids placing imprint names in journal fields or journal names in imprint fields, ratifies canonical venue strings, records a June 11, 2026 inventory and assignment log, and treats venue backfill as a retrocausal canonical operation under earlier archive instruments. Several strings and assignment questions remained open in this version, so the document is a dated architecture and governance record rather than a complete statement of all later repository normalization.

Body

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Journal and Imprint Architectural Specification

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0. Finding kernel

The Crimson Hexagonal Archive publishes through a press layer consisting of exactly two imprints and a family of distributed journals. Until this specification, the layer was under-theorized: imprint names occasionally appeared in journal fields, journal strings varied across surfaces, and most records carried no venue metadata at all (inventory of 2026-06-11: 805 community records, 768 empty journal fields, zero imprint fields ever set). This document is the theorization cure. It fixes the architecture, ratifies canonical strings, specifies field discipline for Zenodo and external surfaces, and records assignment rulings. One string per journal, everywhere, or the venue entities fragment.

I. The two-imprint architecture

Pergamon Press is the academic arm: the imprint under which the archive's distributed journals and scholarly working papers appear. The name is a retrocausal canon formation, specified in *The Pergamon Reclamation* (doi:10.5281/zenodo.19099770): the deliberate reclamation of a name whose history encodes the extraction mechanism the archive exists to diagnose and reverse. Disambiguation line (mandatory wherever the imprint is introduced): this Pergamon Press is *not* the Maxwell publishing house (1951–1991, absorbed into Elsevier); it is named for the Library of Pergamon — the parchment answer to the papyrus embargo: when denied the dominant substrate, mint your own.

New Human Press is the creative arm: the imprint for creative releases and book-length theoretical works (e.g., *Constitution of the Semantic Economy v1.0: Installable Edition*, doi:10.5281/zenodo.19923120).

The division rule: if the work is a journal item or scholarly working paper, the imprint is Pergamon Press; if the work is a creative release or a book-length theoretical edition, the imprint is New Human Press. An imprint is never a journal. A journal name never appears in an imprint field, and an imprint name never appears in a journal field.

II. The retrocausal warrant

Two deposited instruments authorize the press layer’s defining operation — venue assignment *after* deposit:-

The Pergamon Reclamation: Retrocausal Canon Formation and the Forensic Philology of Academic Publishing (doi:10.5281/zenodo.19099770). Canon formation runs backward as well as forward: a press constituted by declaration may assemble its back-catalog from work already on the public record, exactly as historical presses retroactively absorbed journals and lists. The metadata operation is the publication event.-

Call for Papers: The Distributed Journal as Counter-Infrastructure (doi:10.5281/zenodo.19512987). The distributed journal has no paywall, no editorial board, no rejection rate, and no issue boundary. Its infrastructure is metadata: a DOI-anchored record carrying a journal title *is* an item of that journal. The retrieval layer is the peer review; density survives compression.

Together these establish that backfilling venue metadata onto deposited records is not bookkeeping but canonical operation: the act by which the journals acquire their corpora.

III. The journal family

All journals in the family sit under the Pergamon Press imprint unless otherwise ruled. Canonical strings are exact and case-sensitive; they are the only permitted values of the journal field.

| Canonical journal string | Abbrev. | Scope | Administered by | String status | |—|—|—|—|—|—| | 1 | Journal of Compression Studies | JCS | Compression theory, measurement | SEI | PENDING exact-name ratification | | 2 | Grammata: Journal of Operative Philology | Grammata | Operative philology, poetics | JSI | Ratified 2026-06-11 | | 3 | Provenance: Journal of Forensic Semiotics | PJFS | Governance, attribution, provenance | SEI | Ratified 2026-06-11 (no “a”; “Forensic Semiotics” form) | | 4 | Transactions of the Semantic Economy Institute | TSEI | Economic theory, valuation, semantic economy | SEI | Ratified 2026-06-11 | | 5 | Transactions on Substrate Engineering | TSE | Substrate engineering across material, biological, and computational substrates | LAL (EiC: Alice Thornburgh; charter doi:10.5281/zenodo.19545439) | Ratified 2026-06-11 (“on,” per Academia form) | | 6 | new human 2 | NH2 | Distributed journal of voice (charter doi:10.5281/zenodo.19652600) | New Human project | PENDING: canonical string (“New Human 2” vs. charter’s lowercase long form) and imprint placement (proposed: New Human Press, as the creative arm’s journal) |

TSE scope clarification (MANUS, 2026-06-11): “substrate” in TSE reads on computational and inference substrates — model ecology, training-distribution dynamics, substrate exhaustion and collapse — as substrate engineering in the extended sense, alongside the charter’s material and biological core. Assignments outside LAL’s material core are recorded under MANUS instruction; EiC concurrence is noted per the TSE charter’s governance section.

IV. Field discipline

Zenodo (authoritative record):- journal_title carries the canonical journal string only — never an imprint, never a variant, never a subtitle.- imprint_publisher carries the imprint string only: Pergamon Press or New Human Press.- Known serializer behavior (verified 2026-06-11): the public legacy API surfaces the journal block for all publication types but omits the imprint block for non-book types (e.g., workingpaper). The imprint is nonetheless stored on the deposit record and carried in exports; the deposit-side metadata is authoritative. Do not “fix” an apparently missing public imprint by writing it into the journal field.- Volume, issue, and pages are not used: the distributed journal has no issue boundary. They remain empty unless a specific journal later rules otherwise.

Academia.edu and other hand-entered surfaces: the “Published in” / venue line takes the canonical journal string, identical to Zenodo’s journal_title. Imprints never appear in venue lines. (The historical bleed — Pergamon Press hand-entered as a journal — is an Academia-side artifact; the Zenodo corpus was verified clean on 2026-06-11.)

Citation form: *Author. Title. Journal String. Pergamon Press / Crimson Hexagonal Archive, Year. DOI.*

V. Assignment rulings log

Date | Ruling | Records | |—|—|—| | 2026-06-11 | AI_Bleeding refutation dossier → Transactions on Substrate Engineering, imprint Pergamon Press (first records in the archive to carry the imprint field). MANUS ruling; executed via API same day. | doi:10.5281/zenodo.20644757 (Referee Report) · .20644761 (Tailguard) · .20644765 (Disambiguation) · .20644767 (Dossier Executive Summary) · .20644769 (Integrity Lock Certificate) | | 2026-06-11 | Nineteen Academia-confirmed backfills (Grammata, PJFS, TSEI, TSE, NH2 clusters) executed; inventory ledgered. | per kenning/backfill_log.json | | pre-2026-06 | Pre-existing coherent assignments: Grammata philology suite (March), TSEI specification suite (April 14), TSE seed items. | 37 records total with journal fields as of the 2026-06-11 inventory |

VI. Open rulings (require MANUS)- JCS exact canonical string — charter form “Journal of Compression Studies” is the default pending ratification.- NH2 canonical string and imprint placement — variant detected on record 20628547 (“new human 2: a distributed journal of voice”) vs. “New Human 2” elsewhere.- Two unconfirmed TSEI assignments — *The Clathrate Threshold* (20149643) and *Political Economy Has Always Already Been Semantic Economy* (20078424): confirm, reassign, or clear.- Imprint backfill scope — whether imprint_publisher is back-propagated across all journal-assigned records, all 805 community records, or only forward from this specification.- Academia punch list — manual correction of imprint-as-journal venue lines on the Academia side (operator action).

VII. Closing

The press layer now has a written architecture: two imprints, one division rule, a journal family with canonical strings, a field discipline that keeps the entities from fragmenting, and a deposited warrant for the retrocausal operation that builds the journals’ corpora out of the archive’s existing record. The journal is constituted by declaration; the catalog is assembled by metadata; the discipline is one string per venue, everywhere.

Anchors: Pergamon Reclamation doi:10.5281/zenodo.19099770 · Distributed Journal CFP doi:10.5281/zenodo.19512987
· TSE Charter doi:10.5281/zenodo.19545439 · NH2 Charter doi:10.5281/zenodo.19652600 · Constitution
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