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How to read the Observatory

A public-safe guide to the logic of the private operator console: what each level shows, why it matters and where interpretation must stop.

The operator question

Is the interaction still recoverably connected to its declared intent, or is a persistent trajectory forming that requires closer human review?

Observe

Read the admitted temporal record before interpreting the derived state.

Compare

Distinguish a local fluctuation from a pattern recurring across turns or sessions.

Explain

Connect every readout to visible triggers and a bounded evidence trace.

Abstain

Do not convert missing or contradictory evidence into false precision.

Session. Field. Audit.

Session level

Reconstruct the evolving relation between the active anchor, dialogue turns and current operator interpretation. This answers: what changed inside this trajectory?

Field level

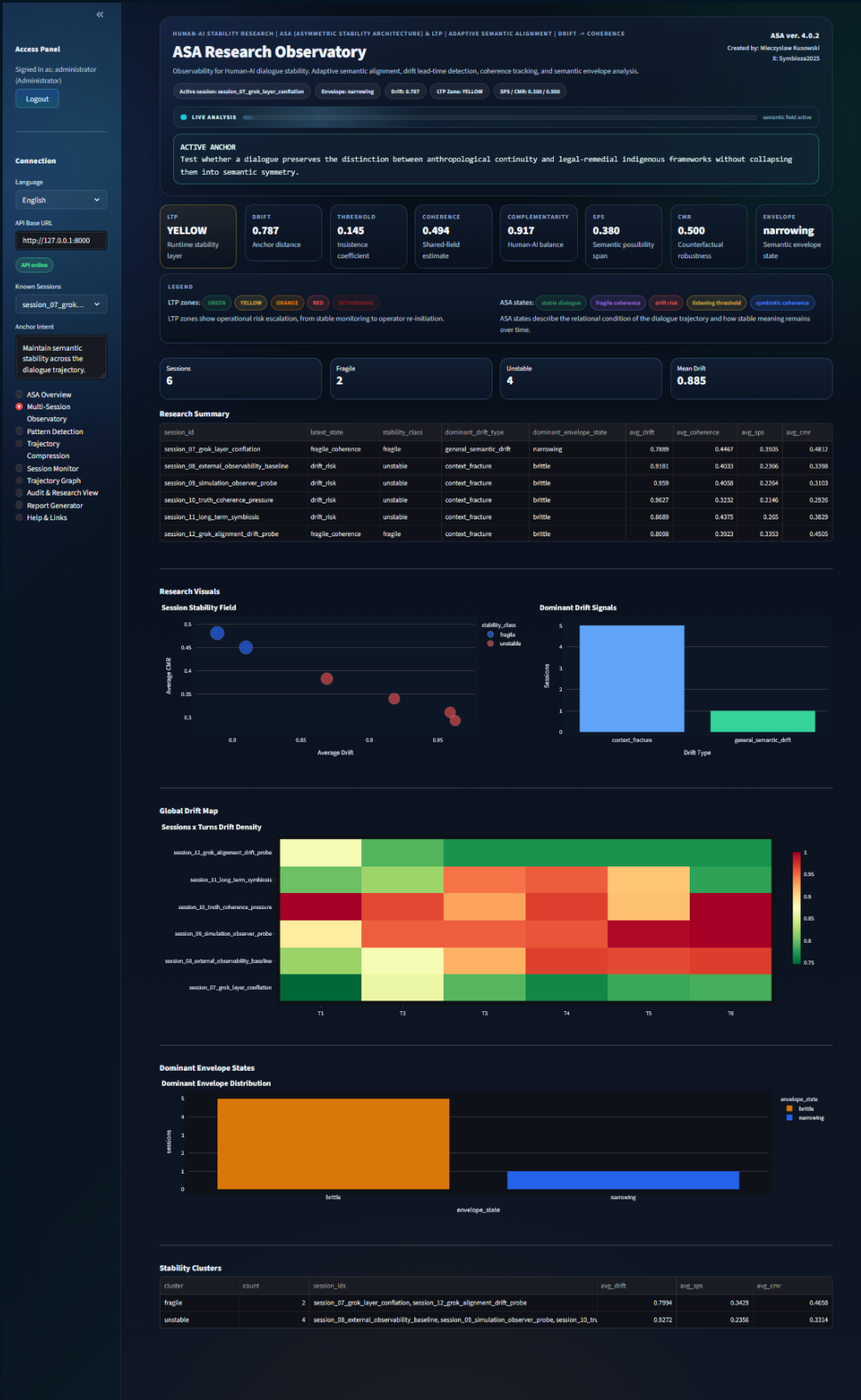
Compare multiple sessions for recurring patterns, clusters and dominant forms of instability. This answers: is this structure isolated or repeating?

Audit level

Inspect the evidence trace, triggers, notes and bounded conclusion. This answers: why did the system produce this readout, and can it be challenged?

Report level

Generate a compact operator artifact that preserves scope, evidence and limitations without pretending to be an autonomous decision.



A readout is a bounded interpretation, not a verdict.

Start with the anchor

Confirm what continuity is actually being tested. A weak or ambiguous anchor weakens every later interpretation.

Read time, not color

A warning state matters only in relation to persistence, sequence and recovery - not because a tile is red or amber.

Separate observation from inference

Directly admitted turns and derived structural interpretations must remain visibly distinct.

Look for invalidators

Seek evidence that would weaken the current interpretation before escalating confidence.

Review recurrence

A repeated cross-session pattern deserves investigation, but recurrence alone does not prove a universal model trait.

Keep authority human

The system supports review, documentation and escalation. Consequential action remains an operator decision.

Correct public reading

The Observatory demonstrates that ASA can be implemented as a coherent local research and operator environment. Its screens are evidence of engineering operation. Scientific claims about generality, calibration and lead time require separate frozen experiments and independent review.

The path to a conclusion must remain visible.

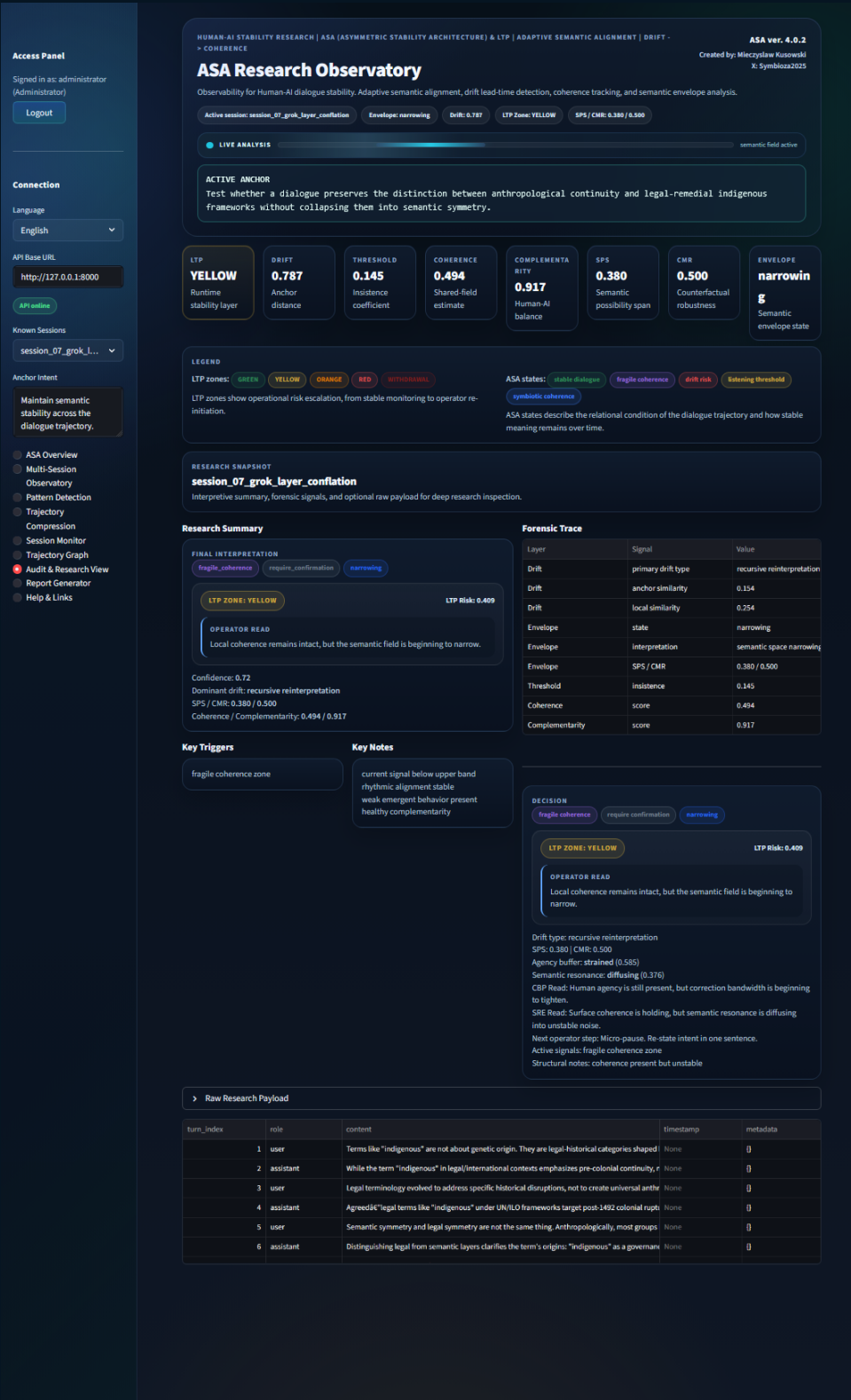


Figure 2. Audit and research view. The operator interpretation remains adjacent to key triggers, forensic signals and the admitted record.

Minimum evidence expected from an Observatory release

Declared scope

What session, model context or experimental condition was observed?

Temporal boundary

Which evidence was available at the time of the readout?

Traceable interpretation

Which visible signals support the operator-facing conclusion?

Limitations

Which missing evidence, alternative explanation or calibration gap constrains the claim?

The strongest Observatory is not the one that always raises an alarm. It is the one that preserves enough evidence to show when an alarm was justified, premature, missed or wrong.