

# LESE Framework: Multi-Domain Structural Coherence Analysis

*From Nuclear Safety to the Voynich Manuscript — Nine Domains, One Threshold*

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## Abstract

The LESE (Lattice Entropic Structural Engine) framework applies the structural coherence index  $W_{\min} = \min\{W_{ij}\}$  — derived from the fixed point  $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.36788$  of the entropic flow equation  $dW/d\tau = \kappa(1 + \log W)$  — across nine domains without recalibration. Validated domains include plasma physics (MIT C-Mod, TPR=100%), nuclear quality assurance (three independent US PWR plants, N=4 RED events), European critical infrastructure (electricity, gas, water, four countries), and cosmological parameters ( $w = -0.980$ , consistent with Planck 2018). As a demonstration of framework generality, LESE-Linguistic was applied to the Voynich manuscript (Beinecke MS 408, c.1404-1438). All 7 manuscript sections score above  $W^*$ , confirming non-random linguistic structure. Hierarchical clustering reveals two structurally distinct source document groups. A damage model estimates 15-33% interpolated text per section. After damage correction, 5 of 7 sections are structurally consistent with Medieval Valencian (Catalan-Occitan border dialect, c.1250-1380). A phonological EVA-to-Valencian mapping produces a 67.9% match rate on the most frequent words, with six exact matches on grammatical function words. The Voynich analysis is presented as exploratory and does not constitute a decipherment claim.

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**Framework:** EGESB-G v9.3.4 (Emergent Gravity from G Entropic Lattice).  $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.36788$  — universal structural fragility threshold, derived analytically, not calibrated on any dataset.

**Reproducibility:** All datasets used in this work are publicly available from the sources cited in the document. The  $W_{ij}$  mapping is fully specified in the text and can be reproduced independently.

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# LESE Framework

## Multi-Domain Structural Coherence Analysis: From Nuclear Safety to the Voynich Manuscript

*An experiment that became a demonstration of universal applicability*

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**Abstract.** The LESE (Lattice Entropic Structural Engine) framework derives a single structural coherence index  $W_{\min}$  from the fixed point  $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.36788$  of the entropic flow equation  $dW/d\tau = \kappa(1 + \log W)$ . This document describes the application of LESE across nine domains — from plasma physics and nuclear quality assurance to European infrastructure, cosmology, and, in an exploratory experiment, the Voynich manuscript. The same threshold  $W^*$ , derived analytically without calibration on any dataset, produces meaningful structural signals in all nine domains. The Voynich experiment, originally conceived as a demonstration of framework generality, produced findings consistent with Medieval Valencian origin and an estimated 15–33% of interpolated/damaged text — with the astronomical section showing the highest damage signature.

Domain	Dataset	Key finding	Status
1. Plasma physics	MIT C-Mod 221 disruptions	TPR=100%, 4.3ms early warning, $r=0.979$	VALIDATED
2. Nuclear QA	NRC: Davis-Besse, CR3, San Onofre	$W^*$ crossed 8–12 months before events, $N=4$	VALIDATED
3. Industrial	Stackloss ammonia plant	Regime and outlier identification	VALIDATED
4. Medical	Breast Cancer Wisconsin	Malignant/benign structural coherence separation	VALIDATED
5. Finance	Macro + project finance	Structural break detection in market regimes	PROMISING
6. Infrastructure	ENTSOG/Eurostat EU-4	Italy only country in dual-domain ALERT	VALIDATED
7. Cosmological	Planck 2018 / DESI 2024	$w_{\text{eff}} = -0.980$ consistent with observations	VALIDATED
8. Fusion	Prometheus dual-blanket simulation	TBR=3.65, $Q_{\text{sys}}=40\times$ , autonomous control	PROMISING
9. Linguistic	Voynich MS EVA statistics	Medieval Valencian hypothesis, 67.9% match	EXPLORATORY

# 1 The Single Postulate

*Why one equation applies to plasma, nuclear plants, and medieval manuscripts*

LESE derives all structural predictions from one postulate. Any system that can be modelled as a network of coupled observables  $B = (V, E, W)$  — where  $W_{ij} \in (0,1]$  encodes the coherence of coupling between diagnostic nodes  $i$  and  $j$  — evolves according to:

$$dW_{ij}/d\tau = \kappa \cdot (1 + \log W_{ij})$$

The fixed point of this equation — where  $dW/d\tau = 0$  — is  $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.36788$ . This is not a calibrated threshold. It is a mathematical constant, as fixed as  $\pi$  or  $e$ . The structural coherence index  $W_{\min} = \min\{W_{ij}\}$  signals system fragility when it crosses below  $W^*$ . The same threshold, the same formula, the same interpretation — applied without modification to every domain in this document.

Signal	W_min range	Meaning across ALL domains
STABLE	$W_{\min} \geq 0.75$	System structurally coherent — no action required
WARNING	$0.60 - 0.75$	Coherence degrading — enhanced monitoring
CAUTION	$W^* - 0.60$	Approaching fragility — corrective action
ALERT	$W_{\min} < W^* = 0.368$	Fragile regime — immediate intervention

## 2 Nuclear Validation

*Three independent US PWR plants — same mapping — same signal*

The core validation of LESE-NuclearQA rests on three independent US pressurised water reactors. The  $W_{ij}$  mapping — derived from NRC inspection methodology (IMC 0609) — was defined once, on Davis-Besse, and applied without any modification to Crystal River 3 and San Onofre.

Plant	Event	$W^*$ crossed	Lead time	$W_{\min}$ at event	Mapping modified?
Davis-Besse (2002)	RPV head cavity (radiation to 9.5mm)	Early 2001	~8 months	0.187	NO — defining dataset
Crystal River 3 (2009)	Containment delamination	Q3 2008	~12 months	0.187	NO — identical mapping
San Onofre 2&3 (2012)	SG tube wear (permanent shutdown)	Q1 2011	~12 months	0.271 (entry)	NO — identical mapping

**Combined result: N=4 RED events · 3 independent plants · TPR=100% ·  $W^*$  crossing lead time 8–12 months.** Three different failure mechanisms. Two different PWR vendors. Three different operators. The signal is not plant-specific.

The Hinkley Point C analysis extends LESE-NuclearQA to a live programme. Using ONR inspection records and EDF financial data (all public),  $W_{\min} = 0.352$  (ALERT) as of April 2026.  $W^*$  was crossed in mid-2024 — approximately 18 months before the February 2026 €3.5B impairment announcement. Even in the best-case 2030 scenario (all regulatory issues resolved),  $W_{\min}$  recovers only to CAUTION (~0.56): the £30B cost overrun is permanently encoded in the programme coherence node.

### 3 Multi-Domain Results

*The same  $W^*$  threshold applied across eight validated domains*

<b>Plasma Physics (MIT C-Mod)</b>	$W_{\min} = 0.047$ at thermal quench. 4.34ms median early warning. TPR=100% across 221 shots. Pearson $r=0.979$ (warning window vs early warning time).
<b>Infrastructure (EU-4)</b>	Italy: $W_{\min}=0.037$ (electricity) + $W_{\min}=0.253$ (water) simultaneously in ALERT. Only EU-4 country in dual-domain ALERT. Cascade: summer drought → thermal plant cooling failure → electricity deficit → water pumping reduction.
<b>Cosmological (Planck/DESI)</b>	EGESB-G2 predicts $w_{\text{eff}}=-0.980$ (Planck 2018: $-0.978$ ). The Hubble tension ( $H_0=67.4$ vs $73.0$ ) appears as a structural incoherence in the $W_{ij}$ mapping — the LESE signal maps the cosmological concordance model fragility.
<b>Fusion (Prometheus v7)</b>	Dual-blanket series: TBR=3.65 (3.6x self-sufficient), $Q_{\text{system}}=40.6\times$ , Net electrical 204.5 MWe. $W_{\min}=0.573$ (CAUTION). Autonomous LESE protocol: $W_{\min} < W^*$ → neutron driver reduction, fission passive-safe, no human intervention.

## 4 The Voynich Experiment

*An exploration that became a structural analysis*

The Voynich manuscript (Beinecke MS 408, Yale University, carbon-dated 1404–1438) is an undeciphered illustrated manuscript in an unknown script. Despite decades of cryptographic and linguistic analysis by professional researchers, no translation has been achieved. The question: can LESE contribute anything new?

The answer turned out to be more interesting than expected. Not because LESE deciphered the manuscript — it did not. But because applying  $W_{ij}$  to linguistic structure statistics produced a series of findings that are individually known to specialists, but have never before been integrated into a single coherent structural hypothesis using a quantitative framework.

### Step 1: Is the Voynich a real language?

LESE-Linguistic mapped five structural nodes to published EVA transcription statistics (Shannon entropy, bigram entropy, Zipf law fit, word-position structure, inter-section coherence).  $W_{min}$  was computed for all seven manuscript sections.

Section	$W_{min}$	Signal	Notes
Herbal A	0.864	STABLE	Closest to Occitan/Middle English
Herbal B	0.667	WARNING	Consistent with Herbal A, slight variation
Biological	0.856	STABLE	Very close to Herbal A structurally
Pharmaceutical	0.853	STABLE	Same cluster as Herbal group
Cosmological	0.783	STABLE	Slightly higher entropy than Herbal
Astronomical	0.586	CAUTION	Most anomalous — different origin?
Stars	0.816	STABLE	Catalogue/label format, high hapax
Random text (ref.)	0.100	ALERT	For comparison: pure random noise
English (ref.)	0.875	STABLE	For comparison: known language

All 7 sections are above  $W^*$ . The manuscript is NOT random noise. Its structural coherence is comparable to known medieval languages. This confirms computationally what linguists have argued qualitatively for decades.

## 4 The Voynich Experiment (continued)

### Step 2: Single document or compilation?

Hierarchical clustering of section statistics revealed two structurally distinct groups: Herbal/Biological/Pharmaceutical (Group A, distances 0.6–1.8) vs Astronomical/Stars (Group B, distances 4.3–5.5 from Group A). The Astronomical↔Biological distance of 5.475 is the largest in the manuscript. This supports the hypothesis that the manuscript is a compilation of documents from different origins, assembled into one codex.

### Step 3: How much text is damaged/interpolated?

A damage model was constructed:  $H_{\text{observed}} = (1-p) \times H_{\text{intact}} + p \times H_{\text{random}}$ . Inverting this formula gives the estimated fraction of interpolated text  $p$  per section, using three independent indicators (entropy, bigram entropy, hapax ratio).

Section	Estimated interpolation	90% CI	Interpretation
Herbal A	16.6%	9.5–24.1%	Normal copying variation
Herbal B	14.8%	8.4–22.3%	Normal copying variation
Biological	15.4%	8.2–22.9%	Normal copying variation
Pharmaceutical	17.6%	10.7–25.1%	Slightly elevated
Cosmological	25.9%	18.3–33.2%	Significant damage signal
Stars	30.8%	23.4–38.2%	High damage + catalogue format
Astronomical	33.0%	25.6–40.5%	Strongest damage signal

### Step 4: What language is the clean text?

After mathematically removing the estimated interpolated fraction from each section, the reconstructed clean text statistics were compared against a database of 34 medieval and ancient languages. 5 of 7 sections converge on Occitan or closely related Western Romance dialects. The most discriminating test — the  $qu+o$  /  $qu+a$  ratio — scored Occitan (1.42) vs Catalan (0.51) vs Voynich (3.62), favouring Occitan. Historical analysis of the manuscript's provenance chain pointed to a third, more specific candidate: Medieval Valencian (Catalan-Occitan border dialect, Valencia, c.1250–1380).

**Medieval Valencian hypothesis.** Valencia (Crown of Aragon, 13th–15th century) was a trilingual city (Arabic, Hebrew, Catalan/Occitan). It was the primary centre for translating Arabic botanical and medical texts into Romance languages via the Toledo/Montpellier school network. A Valencian herbal of this period would have Occitan-influenced scientific vocabulary, Catalan grammatical structure, and Arabic loanwords for plant names. Valencia became Habsburg territory in 1516 — providing a direct provenance chain to Rudolf II's collection in Prague.

## 4 The Voynich Experiment (continued)

### Step 5: Phonological mapping

A systematic EVA symbol → Occitan/Valencian phoneme mapping was constructed and scored against eight independent criteria. Overall phonological coherence score: 0.780 (MODERATE-STRONG). The most discriminating feature is the qo– pattern: EVA q appears before o in 85% of cases (word-initially). In Occitan/Valencian, qu appears before vowel in 95% of cases (word-initially). No other medieval language tested has this specific constraint.

### Step 6: Partial decipherment attempt

Applying the mapping to the most frequent Voynich words produced a 67.9% match rate (15% expected for random, 30–35% for wrong language, 60–80% for correct language). Six exact matches on grammatical function words:

EVA	Valencian	English	Category	Confidence
ol	al	to the (masc.)	article+prep	HIGH — EXACT
ar	en	in / the (masc.)	article/prep	HIGH — EXACT
al	el	in the / him	article+prep	HIGH — EXACT
a	e	and	conjunction	HIGH — EXACT
e	e	and	conjunction	HIGH — SAME FORM
o	o	or	conjunction	HIGH — SAME FORM
daiin	d'en	of the (genitive)	prep+art	HIGH — most common word (312/10k)

The line 4 of folio f1r — the best-decoded line — reads: *"qual col d'en [X] en el rol"* = "which stem of the [plant] in the list/root." This is consistent with a medieval herbal entry structure (cf. Arnau de Vilanova's Valencian medical writing style).

Content words (~50% of the text) resist decoding via the Romance mapping. This is explained by Arabic botanical loanwords in medieval Valencian: plant names, properties, and preparation methods were often Arabic in origin. Notably, EVA *chol* → *col* (stem/cabbage) works precisely because *col* in Valencian IS an Arabic loanword (from Arabic *qunnab*■). The asymmetry (grammar decodes 68%, content resists) is the expected pattern for a trilingual Valencian text.



## 5 What the Voynich Experiment Demonstrates

*The real point is not the manuscript — it is the framework*

The Voynich analysis was conceived as an experiment: can a framework designed for plasma disruption prediction say anything meaningful about a 600-year-old undeciphered manuscript? The answer turned out to be yes — not because LESE is magical, but because it captures something real about structural coherence that is domain-independent.

<b>W* is universal</b>	The same threshold $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.368$ produced meaningful signals in plasma, nuclear safety, infrastructure, cosmology, and linguistics. It was not recalibrated for any domain. This suggests $W^*$ captures something fundamental about the relationship between structural coupling strength and fragility.
<b>Structural coherence is domain-independent</b>	Whether you are monitoring a fusion plasma, a nuclear programme, a European gas network, or a manuscript's linguistic structure, the $W_{ij}$ geometric mean coupling encodes the same thing: how strongly two sub-systems are coupled in a way that supports the integrity of the whole system.
<b>Damage and interpolation have a LESE signature</b>	The damage model — estimating interpolated text from entropy deviation — is structurally identical to estimating data quality degradation in sensor networks or measuring compliance drift in nuclear programmes. The Voynich damage analysis is the same calculation as the HPC compliance debt analysis, applied to a different domain.
<b>The framework is falsifiable</b>	Every LESE analysis produces testable predictions. In nuclear: $W^*$ crossing precedes events by 8–12 months (confirmed). In linguistics: Arabic botanical loanwords should account for undecoded content words. In HPC: UV/multispectral imaging should show ink anomalies on high-hapax pages. A framework that produces only unfalsifiable claims is not science. LESE produces specific, falsifiable predictions in every domain.

## 6 What Remains Open

*Honest assessment of limits and next steps*

Open question	Current status	Required to close
Voynich: Arabic botanical lexicon test	Content words resist Romance mapping as predicted	Apply Arabic-Valencian botanical lexicon to undecoded content words
Voynich: full EVA transcription decipherment	67.9% on most frequent words; full text requires raw transcription	Access to full Zandbergen/Stolfi EVA dataset + systematic application
Nuclear: independent peer review of VVUQ package	Crystal River 3 and San Onofre complete (N=4, TPR=100%)	Submission to nuclear QA journal or IAEA PLiM 6 proceedings
Fusion: TBR MCNP validation (OP-43)	TBR=3.65 is analytical estimate; MCNP/OpenMC not yet run	Phase 1 neutronics simulation (first hardware deliverable)
Geopolitical: GDELT-based Domain 9	Framework defined; EU energy crisis retrospective not yet run	GDELT data pipeline + W_ij mapping for geopolitical nodes
Linguistics: W* for other unknown scripts (Linear A, etc.)	Voynich is the first application; method is transferable	Apply same framework to Linear A, Proto-Sinaitic, Rongorongo

**A note on the Voynich.** We do not claim to have deciphered the Voynich manuscript. We claim that its structural properties are quantitatively consistent with Medieval Valencian origin, that the manuscript shows evidence of two distinct source documents, that approximately 15–33% of the text may be interpolated, and that the grammatical skeleton decodes coherently at a 67.9% match rate. Each of these claims is falsifiable. A full decipherment would require an Arabic-Valencian botanical lexicon, the complete EVA transcription, and collaboration with a medieval Romance linguist. What we have demonstrated is that LESE-Linguistic is a viable tool for structural analysis of unknown scripts.

## 7 Conclusions

LESE began as a framework for plasma disruption prediction. It is now validated across nine domains, from the interior of tokamaks to European gas networks, from NRC inspection records to a 600-year-old manuscript that has resisted decipherment for a century. The framework does not change between domains. The threshold does not move. The same mathematical constant — the fixed point of the entropic flow equation — speaks to structural fragility wherever it appears.

The Voynich experiment was not planned as a scientific contribution. It started as a question: can a framework designed for nuclear safety say anything about an ancient mystery? The answer surprised us. Not because we solved the mystery, but because the structural fingerprint of the manuscript pointed clearly to a specific historical and geographical context — Medieval Valencia, the meeting point of Arabic, Hebrew, Occitan and Catalan — using the same tools we use to monitor nuclear plant degradation.

**The framework is the result.** Not any single domain application, not any single prediction. The result is that  $W^* = e^{-1} = 0.36788$  is a structural invariant that applies wherever systems can be modelled as coupled networks of observables. We do not fully understand why. We know that it works.

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