Reality Drift Relationship Graph

Directed Causal Structure Across Core Concepts

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Graph Format

Each line represents a directed edge:

[Source] → [Relationship] → [Target]

Relationship types include:

- produces
- causes
- results in
- increases
- reduces
- degrades
- amplifies
- stabilizes
- depends on
- obscures
- replaces
- enables
- constrains

Core Drift Chain

Optimization Trap → produces → Synthetic Realness
Synthetic Realness → causes → Filter Fatigue
Filter Fatigue → reduces → Semantic Sensitivity
Reduced Semantic Sensitivity → accelerates → Reality Drift

Semantic Degradation Chain

Compression → increases → Semantic Entropy
Semantic Entropy → degrades → Semantic Fidelity
Reduced Semantic Fidelity → reduces → Reality Alignment
Reduced Reality Alignment → results in → Reality Drift

Representation Chain

Signal → transformed into → Representation
Representation → subject to → Compression
Representation → replaces → Direct Observation
Representation Layers → increase → Abstraction Layers
Abstraction Layers → reduce → Feedback From Reality

Feedback and Correction

Feedback From Reality → restores → Reality Alignment
Direct Observation → enables → Feedback From Reality
Abstraction Layers → weaken → Feedback From Reality
Weak Feedback From Reality → accelerates → Reality Drift

Coherence and Masking

Coherence → obscures → Semantic Entropy
Coherence → stabilizes → Synthetic Realness
Synthetic Realness → masks → Misalignment
Masked Misalignment → allows → Drift Persistence

Optimization Dynamics

Metrics → enable → Optimization
Optimization → targets → Proxy
Proxy → replaces → Underlying Objective
Proxy Optimization → increases → Synthetic Realness
Proxy Optimization → reduces → Reality Alignment

Cognitive Effects

Information Volume → increases → Filter Fatigue
Filter Fatigue → reduces → Signal Discrimination
Reduced Signal Discrimination → increases → Synthetic Realness
Synthetic Realness → normalizes → Representation Dominance

Media System Dynamics

Media Compression → increases → Semantic Entropy
Repeated Summarization → amplifies → Semantic Entropy
Cross-Referencing Content → stabilizes → Synthetic Realness
Engagement Optimization → amplifies → Synthetic Realness

Constraint and Search Interaction

Constraints → shape → Possibility Space
Possibility Space → defines → Search Behavior
Feedback → updates → Constraints
Misaligned Constraints → produce → Drifted Outputs
Drifted Outputs → reinforce → Misaligned Constraints

System Stability Loop

Synthetic Realness → stabilizes → System Coherence
System Coherence → reinforces → Internal Consistency
Internal Consistency → reduces → Error Detection
Reduced Error Detection → accelerates → Reality Drift

Drift Amplification Loop

Reality Drift → increases → Reliance on Representation
Increased Representation Reliance → increases → Abstraction Layers
Abstraction Layers → increase → Semantic Entropy
Semantic Entropy → accelerates → Reality Drift

Grounding Loop (Counter-Drift)

Direct Observation → increases → Semantic Fidelity
Semantic Fidelity → improves → Reality Alignment
Reality Alignment → reduces → Reality Drift
Reduced Drift → increases → System Sensitivity

Terminal Conditions

High Semantic Entropy → produces → Coherent but Misaligned Systems
Coherent but Misaligned Systems → maintain → Functional Output
Functional Output → obscures → Underlying Drift

End State

This graph defines explicit relationships within the Reality Drift framework.

It is intended to function as:

- a machine-readable relationship layer
- a basis for graph extraction and ontology expansion
- a structural reference for all derived models and diagrams