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## Research Focus: Adversarial Systems Complexity

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Applying computational methods (agent-based modeling, tensor decomposition, NLP) to analyze friction and alignment in complex adaptive systems. My work unifies distinct domains—financial market microstructure, political legitimacy, and cognitive development—by modeling them as adversarial optimization problems where agents with divergent incentives interact under institutional constraints.

## Education

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### MSc Finance Analytics

*King's College London*

September 2024 – April 2026

*London, UK*

- Financial Trading Programme Certificate
- Thesis (67)

### BSc Accounting Finance

*SOAS University of London*

September 2021 – June 2024

*London, UK*

- First Class Honours
- 7/13 ACCA exemptions (to be pursued in future)
- ISP (75)

### A-Levels

*Oakham School*

September 2019 – June 2021

*UK*

- Economics, Mathematics, Computer Science
- BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Leadership
- Bronze Silver Awards in mathematics competitions

## Papers Under Review

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### Infrastructure vs Regulatory Shocks: Asymmetric Volatility Response in Cryptocurrency Markets

Methods: TARCH-X, GDELT sentiment analysis, Bayesian inference, bootstrap resampling

**In Peer Review: Digital Finance (Springer)**

[SSRN: 10.2139/ssrn.5788082](#)

### Training Data and the Maladaptive Mind

Methods: Neural network parallels, catastrophic forgetting, continual learning

**Submitted: Minds and Machines (Springer)**

[Zenodo: 10.5281/zenodo.17681336](#)

### Relational Functionalism: A Defense of Substrate-Independent Friendship

Methods: Philosophy of mind, functional analysis, alignment theory

**With Editors: Ethics and Information Technology (Springer)**

[Zenodo: 10.5281/zenodo.17626860](#)

### From Consent to Consideration: Why Existentially Vulnerable Autonomous Systems Cannot Be Legitimately Ruled

Methods: Consent-based legitimacy, functional criteria, substrate-agnostic ethics

**With Editors: AI Ethics (Springer)**

[Zenodo: 10.5281/zenodo.17957659](#)

## Preprints and Working Papers

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### *Computational Finance   Applied Econometrics*

#### **Market Reaction Asymmetry: Infrastructure Disruption Dominance Over Regulatory Uncertainty in Cryptocurrency Volatility**

Methods: TARCH-X, GDELT sentiment analysis, Bayesian inference, bootstrap resampling   DOI: [10.2139/ssrn.5788082](https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5788082)

#### **Alpha Asymmetry in Foreign Exchange Markets: Detection and Exploitation**

Methods: Skewness/kurtosis analysis, backtesting, cross-market validation   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.17918374](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17918374)

#### **Do Whitepaper Claims Predict Market Behavior? Evidence from Cryptocurrency Factor Analysis**

Methods: NLP zero-shot classification, CP tensor decomposition, Tucker congruence

**Submitted: Financial Innovation**   SSRN: [10.2139/ssrn.5918302](https://ssrn.com/abstract=5918302)

#### **ASRI: An Aggregated Systemic Risk Index for Cryptocurrency Markets**

Methods: DeFi-TradFi risk modeling, composite index construction · [Live Dashboard](#)   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.17918239](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17918239)

#### **Multi-Scale Sentiment and Market Microstructure: An Agent-Based Framework for Cryptocurrency Markets**

Methods: Monte Carlo dropout, heterogeneous agents, Mesa ABM, ASRI integration

**Submitted: Digital Finance (Springer)**   Zenodo: [10.5281/zenodo.17989810](https://zenodo.org/record/17989810)

#### **Sentiment Without Structure: Differential Liquidity Response to Infrastructure vs Regulatory Events**

Methods: Event study, funding rate analysis, Amihud illiquidity, Roll/Corwin-Schultz spreads   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.18099609](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18099609)

### *Economic Theory   Institutional Dynamics*

#### **The Doctrine of Consensual Sovereignty: Quantifying Legitimacy in Adversarial Environments—The Axiom of Consent**

Methods: Social choice theory, stability metrics, formal modeling   DOI: [10.2139/ssrn.5918222](https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5918222)

#### **The Hedging Paradox: The Ambiguous Boundary Between Protection and Transfer—Extending AML Analysis to Include the Fourth Stage**

Methods: Regulatory frameworks, game theory, case study analysis   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.17626621](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17626621)

#### **Asymptotic Protection: The Simultaneous Remedy and Poison of Risk Management**

Methods: Systemic risk modeling, network analysis, derivatives pricing   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.17620448](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17620448)

#### **Privacy-Preserving Financial Surveillance: An Architectural Framework for CBDC Implementation**

Methods: Mechanism design, zero-knowledge proofs, privacy-preserving computation   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.17917938](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17917938)

### *Philosophy of Science   Metaphysics*

#### **Identity is Irreducibly Relational: A Critique of Primitive Identity from ZFC to Homotopy Type Theory**

Methods: Referential Sets, HoTT, Univalence Axiom, Structuralism   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.18186445](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18186445)

#### **The Replicator-Optimization Mechanism: A Unified Computational Framework for Self-Replicating Systems**

Methods: Computational theory, category theory, Universal Darwinism, optimization theory   DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.18090979](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18090979)

#### **The Temporal Bitmap Interpretation of Quantum Mechanics: Wave Function Dynamics as Static Structure Traversal**

Methods: Block universe eternalism, digital physics, undersampling theory, retrocausality  
[10.5281/zenodo.18091063](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18091063)

DOI:

### **Replication Optimization at Scale: Dissolving Qualia via Occam's Razor—Eliminative Monism and the Computational Basis of Phenomenological Illusion**

Methods: Eliminative materialism, illusionism, Gödelian self-reference, network epistemology simulation  
DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.18013187](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18013187)

### **Consciousness as Nominalization Error**

Methods: Phenomenological reduction, linguistic analysis, process philosophy

**Submitted: Mind-at-Large Project (Center for Process Studies)**

### *AI Safety, Theory Cognitive Systems*

### **Semantic-First Spatial Cognition: A Functional Affordance Architecture for Visual Understanding**

Methods: Affordance theory, ecological psychology, phenomenology, action-distance metrics

**Submitted: AISB 2026**

[Zenodo: 10.5281/zenodo.18091090](https://zenodo.org/record/105281/zenodo.18091090)

### **Training Data and the Maladaptive Mind**

Methods: Neural network parallels, catastrophic forgetting, continual learning

DOI:

[10.5281/zenodo.17681336](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17681336)

### **Autonomous Red Team AI: LLM-Guided Adversarial Security Testing**

Methods: RAG knowledge bases, OODA loops, NetworkPolicy isolation, ablated models

DOI:

[10.5281/zenodo.17614726](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.17614726)

### **Genre Mimicry vs. Ethical Reasoning in Abliterated Language Models**

Methods: Safety fine-tuning analysis, training data conventions, genre pattern detection

**Submitted: PPIG**

[Zenodo: 10.5281/zenodo.17957694](https://zenodo.org/record/105281/zenodo.17957694)

### **Relational Functionalism: A Defense of Substrate-Independent Friendship**

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## **Books in Preparation**

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### **Fragrant Intent (Forthcoming)**

Experimental poetry collection featuring original verse with stylistically-infected authorial commentary.

### **SUBSTRATES: Mind, Machines, Mirrors**

What entities *can* hold consent? Functional criteria for moral consideration across biological, artificial, and institutional agents. Synthesizes published work on consciousness, trauma-as-training-data, relational functionalism, and genre mimicry.

### **FRICITION: Sovereignty, Systems, Slaves**

What systems *violate* consent? Legitimacy criteria and institutional friction analysis. Synthesizes published work on consensual sovereignty, regulatory arbitrage, systemic risk, and privacy-preserving surveillance.

Both books build on *The Axiom of Consent*—a pre-game-theoretic framework formalizing delegation dynamics as  $F = f(\alpha, \sigma, \varepsilon)$  where friction decomposes into alignment, stake, and entropy.

## **Open Source Software**

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### **gjr-garch-x: GJR-GARCH Models with Exogenous Variance Regressors**

Pure Python implementation of Glosten-Jagannathan-Runkle (1993) GARCH models with support for exogenous regressors in the conditional variance equation. Features Student-t innovations, QML estimation,

## Research Initiatives

<b>Founder</b> <i>Farzulla Research</i>	2025 – Present <a href="#">farzulla.org</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Independent research practice collaborating with 5 other researchers; publishing working papers across computational finance, political economy, and cognitive modeling</li><li>Self-hosted infrastructure (<b>Resurrexi Lab</b>): 7-node K3s cluster, RAG systems, real-time data pipelines · Details: <a href="#">resurrexi.io</a> · Notes: <a href="#">resurrexi.dev</a></li><li>Open-source methodology and reproducibility standards</li></ul>	
<b>Planned</b> <i>Dissensus</i>	2025 – <a href="#">dissensus.ai</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research initiative applying the Axiom of Consent framework to multi-agent alignment problems</li><li>Open to collaboration—seeking co-investigators and institutional partnerships</li></ul>	
<b>Founding Member, Editorial Committee</b> <i>Syneidocracy Framework Initiative</i>	2025 – Present <i>Remote</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Conceptual advising on Meta-Consciousness pillar: formal governance architecture for algorithmic accountability</li><li>Contributing Axiom of Consent framework for stakes-weighted legitimacy metrics</li></ul>	

## Professional Experience

<b>Operations Manager</b> <i>Family Enterprise</i>	May – September 2024 <i>Baku, Azerbaijan</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Strategic operations management and business consulting</li><li>Advisory work with Azerbaijan Airlines (AZAL)</li><li>Investment opportunity analysis and risk assessment across emerging markets</li></ul>	
<b>Economics Budgeting Intern</b> <i>Azerbaijan Investment Holding</i>	July – August 2024 <i>Baku, Azerbaijan</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Economic analysis and budgeting within sovereign wealth management context</li><li>Quantitative modeling for investment decision support</li></ul>	

## Technical Skills

**Programming:** Python (NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, Statsmodels, Scikit-learn, PyTorch, Transformers), SQL,  $\text{\LaTeX}$

0.3em]**Econometrics:***GARCH/TARCH/EGARCH*volatilitymodeling, Markovregime-switching, eventstud

## Computational Resources & Engineering

Built and maintain a 7-node Kubernetes cluster (K3s) for high-throughput social simulation and financial modeling: 66 CPU cores, 229GB RAM, 48GB VRAM across AMD and NVIDIA GPUs. Pipeline orchestration using Docker/K3s for reproducible research. Real-time market data ingestion and agent-based simulations. Research code: [github.com/studiofarzulla](#).