

From a Layer Pair to a Depth Profile

Paper II: Dense, reproducible weight measurement of a 93-layer MoE flagship and transfer to seven further checkpoints



ABSTRACT

Paper I deliberately ended at a two-layer boundary. Paper II extends the same frozen measurement contract to 27 Kimi KDA positions, dense early and late depth regions, and nine exactly repeated layers. The sealed evidence is no longer collapsed into status cards: 1,320 primary cells, 3,960 all-pair cells, 2,112 component values, 960 anchor-nearness rows, and 48,384 repeat tensors are rendered as a depth film, threshold landscape, masking flow, and replication wall. Seven further checkpoints contribute 984 sealed tensor rows across nine registered features. Across models, only architecture comparison remains permitted.

27 KIMI POSITIONS	1.320 PRIMARY CELLS	48.384 REPEAT TENSORS	7 CATALOG MODELS
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1 From Paper I to Paper II

Paper I [P1] froze the Architecture Atlas, the six-family contract, and the representation chain through V2.4. For layers 1 and 46, the continuous source spaces were predominantly different while coarse graph signatures could compress those differences. This supported no general claim about Kimi's depth. Paper II inherits those findings and thresholds unchanged and executes the targeted extension authorized by that limitation. The method is not introduced again; it is stressed across additional depth positions.

PAPER I

L1 <-> L46

two measurement windows

OFFENE GRENZE

2 != TIEFE

no depth invariance

PAPER II

27 KDA

dense regions + repeats

Research questions

- RQ1 Depth - what registered decision profile emerges beyond the layer pair 1/46?
- RQ2 Repetition - do technical repeats reproduce bound tensors and decision surfaces?
- RQ3 Portability - can one lifecycle preserve other checkpoint-specific architecture contracts?
- RQ4 Auditability - do invalid identity or commit bindings prevent scientific promotion?

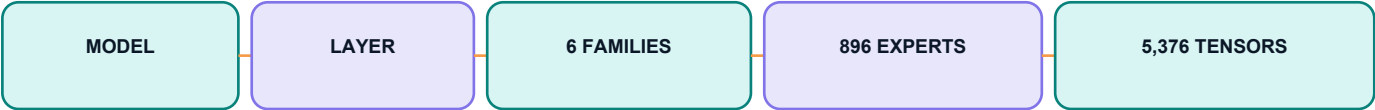
INHERITED, NOT REFITTED

Atlas + homology + six families + normalizers + thresholds -> new bound depth observations

No interpolation. No threshold refit. No cross-layer expert identity. No activation claim.

2 Kimi K3 beyond two layers

Paper I viewed Kimi through two homologous measurement windows: layers 1 and 46. The sealed atlas, however, contains 93 layers: 69 KDA and 24 Gated MLA. Paper II expands only within the homologous KDA MoE contract: 896 expert IDs, six tensor families, and 5,376 expert tensors per fully measured layer position. The layer pair therefore becomes a registered depth profile - still without model startup or activation.

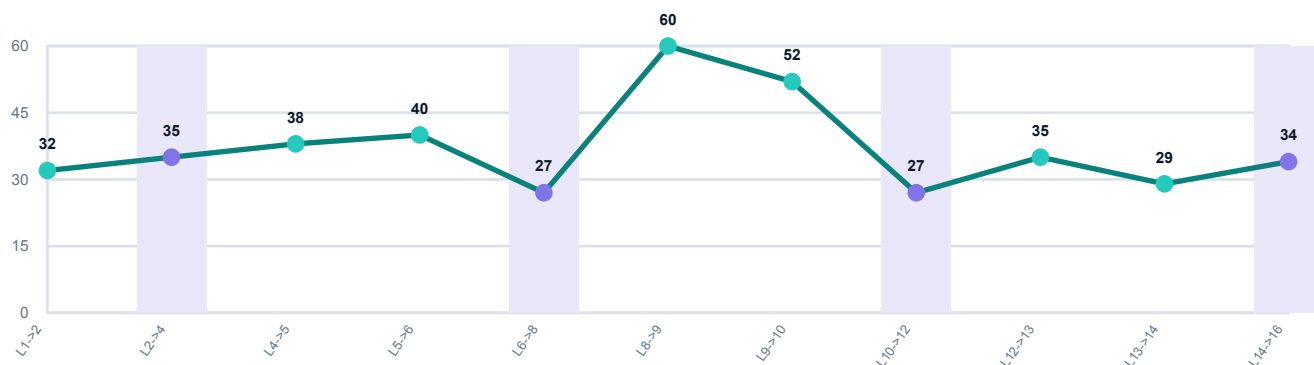


3 The Kimi depth campaign

The campaign answers Paper I's closing question in stages: depth anchors first, an unchanged decision surface, then exact repetitions, and finally dense cohorts at the late and early model regions. V2.9 additionally binds the striking late boundaries again. V2.11 is not part of this paper.



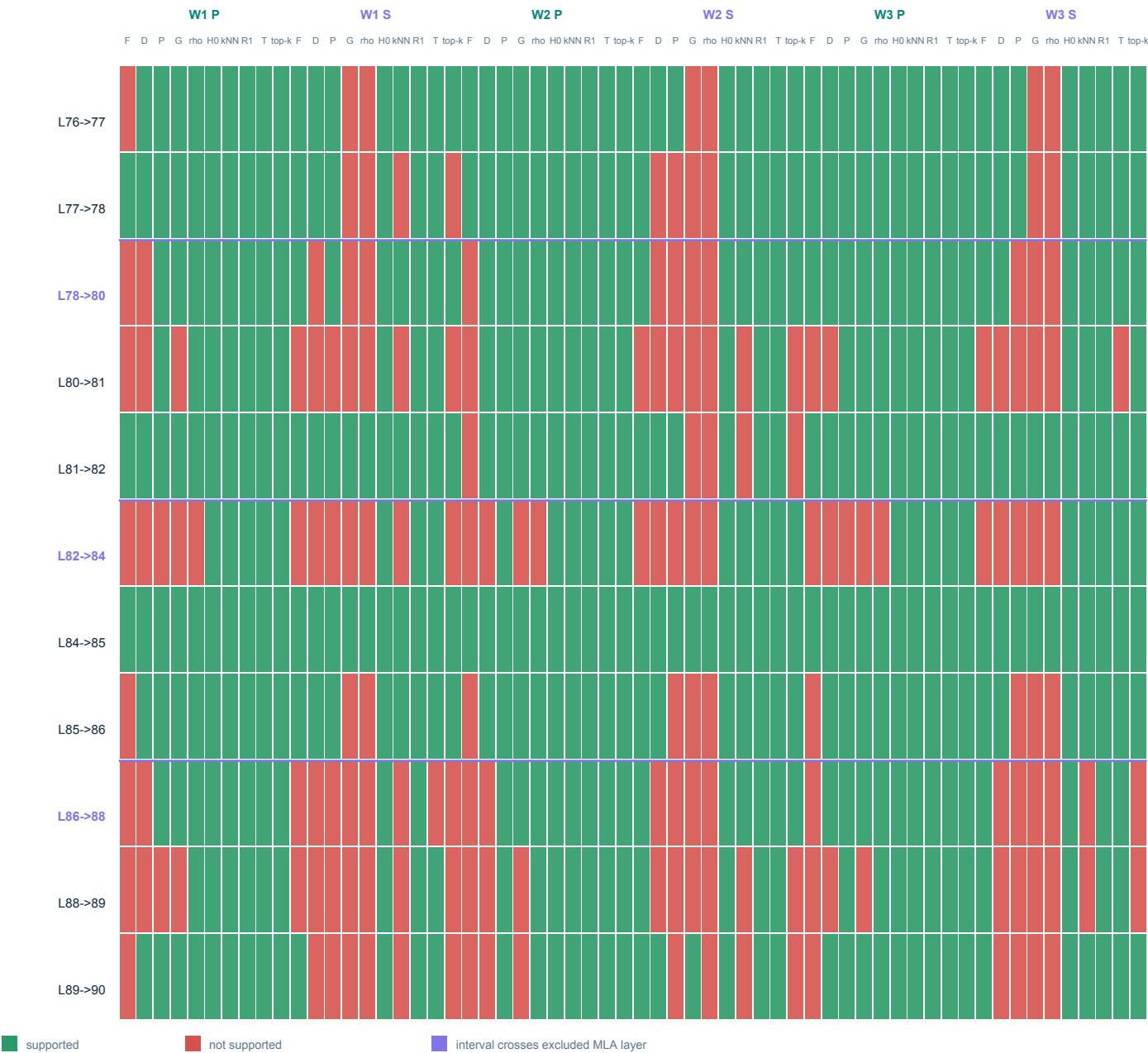
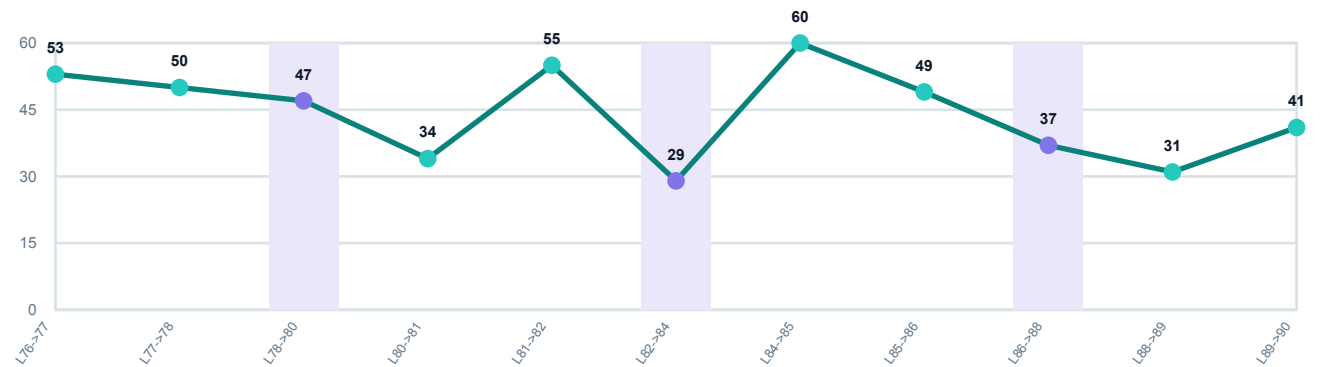
SUPPORTED CELLS OF 60



Late depth film: layers 76 to 90

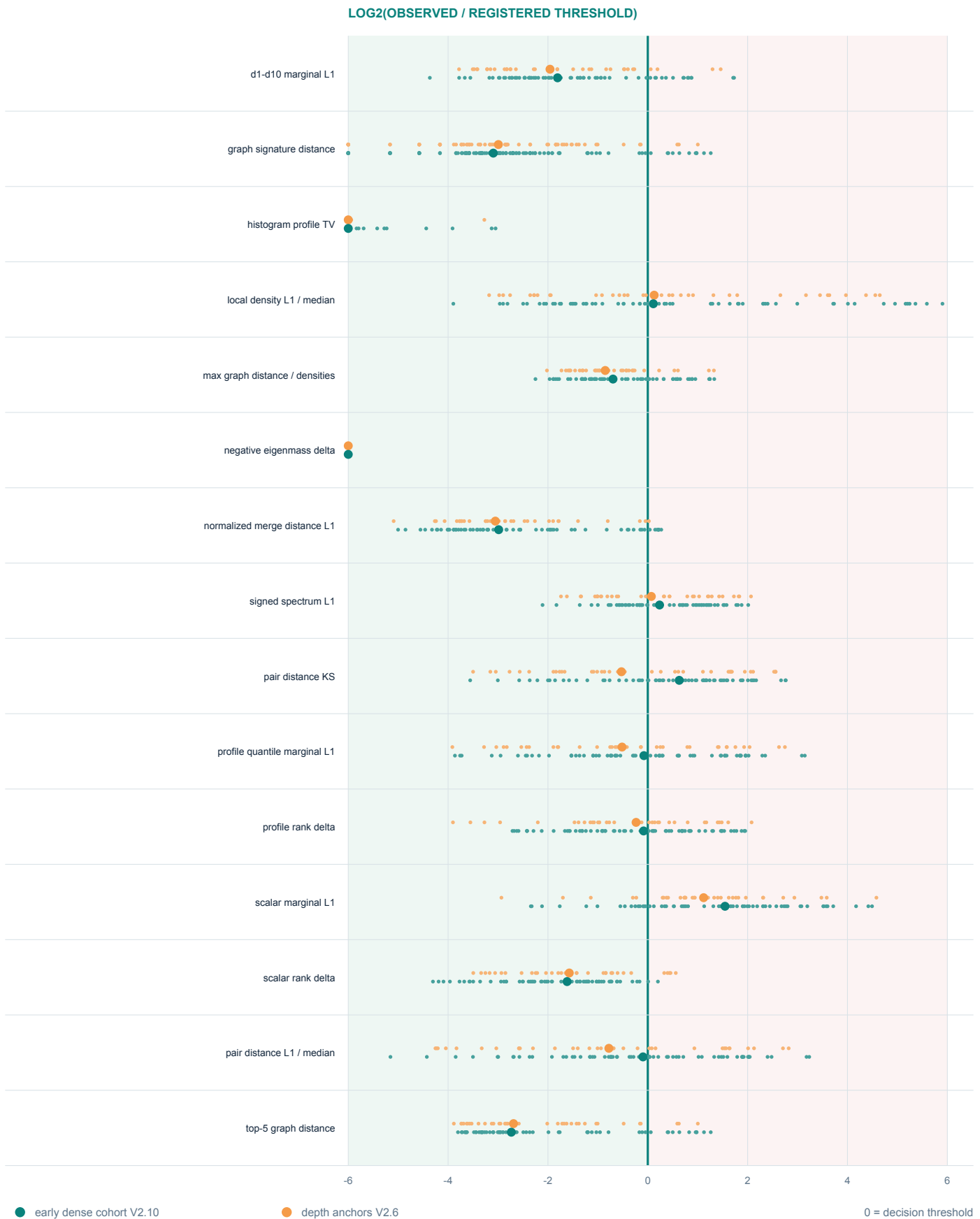
The dense late cohort shows eleven successive KDA intervals under the same six-family contract. The pattern is not smoothed: all 660 sealed decisions remain visible as a raster.

SUPPORTED CELLS OF 60



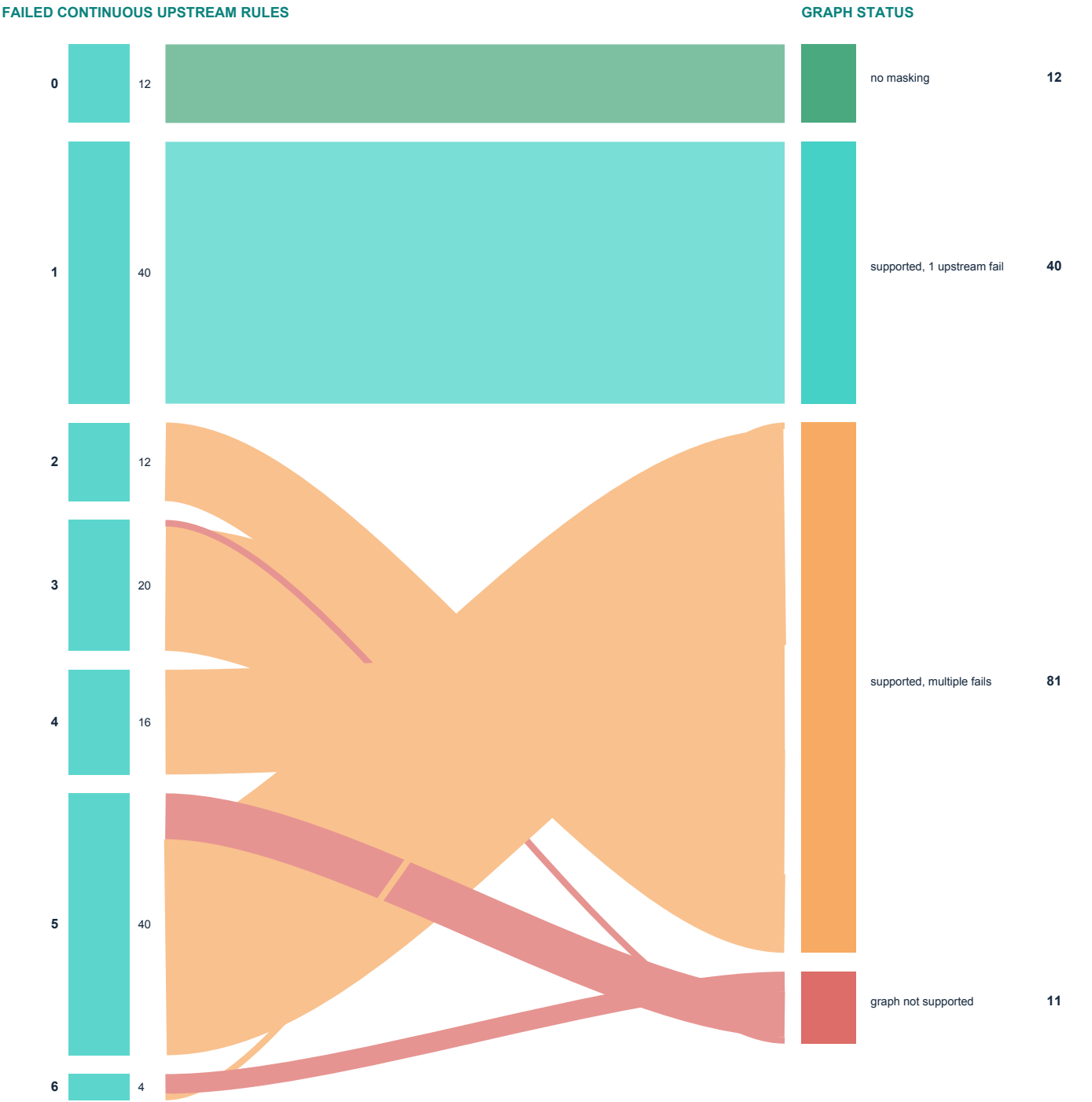
Threshold landscape: distance to the registered boundary

Each point is a sealed ratio between an observed component value and its unchanged registered threshold. The logarithmic axis makes very different metrics jointly legible: left of zero the component lies within its threshold, right of zero it lies outside. This does not alter any cell decision; all rules of a cell must pass together.



When graphs mask upstream differences

Graph representations can remain supported even when one or more continuous upstream rules fail. The flow renders all 144 registered attributions: failed upstream rules on the left and the observed graph status on the right. Ribbon width equals the number of observed cells.

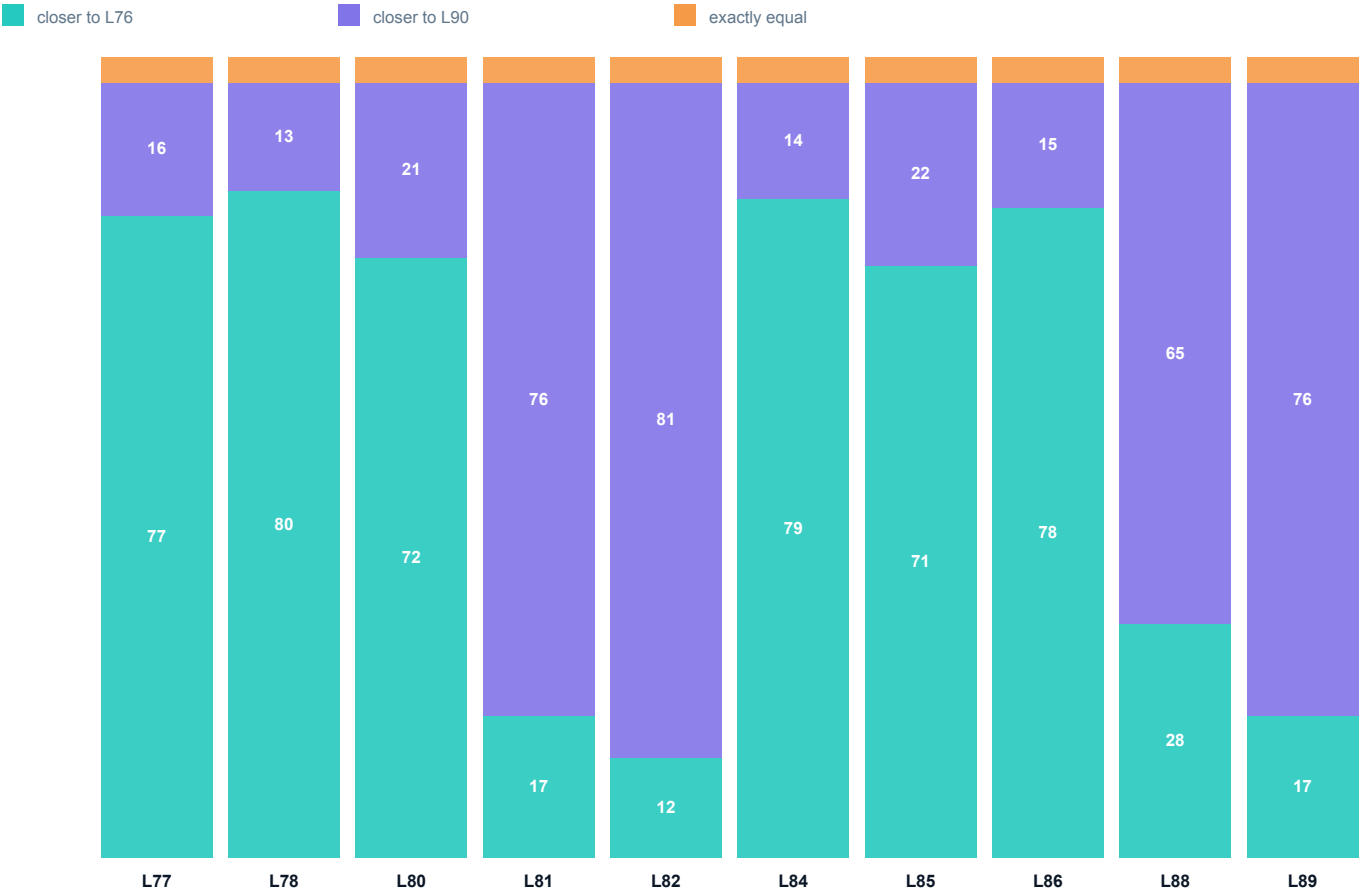


WHAT IT MEANS

A coarse graph can make two layers appear similar while finer geometries remain different. This is not model weakness; it is an observed loss of information caused by the representation.

Between two anchors: closer to 76 or 90?

For ten late intermediate layers, 96 family, representation, and metric combinations were described against anchors 76 and 90. Stacked bars show only which anchor has the smaller registered distance. Rows are not independent samples and do not establish biographies of individual experts.



531
closer to L76

399
closer to L90

30
exactly equal

Replication wall: not similar, identical

Nine preregistered KDA layers were fully repeated. Each ring represents 5,376 of 5,376 byte-exactly reproduced expert tensors. In addition, 300 of 300 bound decision cells replicated. The observed depth structure is therefore not a one-off read artifact of the measurement path.



All nine A/B layers byte-exact

V2.7: 120/120 · V2.9: 180/180 decision cells identical

TECHNICAL CLAIM

Byte equality demonstrates determinism of the bound scanner, device, and data path. It proves neither mathematical correctness nor functional meaning of the model.

Llama 3.2 1B Instruct 4-bit

All nine registered features are rendered within this checkpoint. Each micro-glyph summarizes the directly sealed tensor roles of one pilot layer as minimum, interquartile range, median, and maximum; the barcode below shows q50/RMS by role. Scales are deliberately model-local.

16
LAYERS

138
TENSOR ROWS

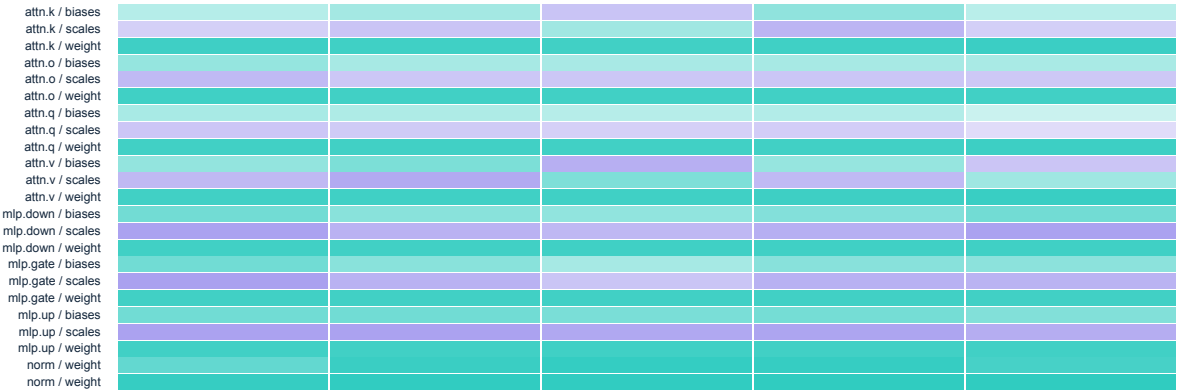
195.8 MiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

23
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS



DeepSeek R1 Distill Qwen 1.5B 4-bit

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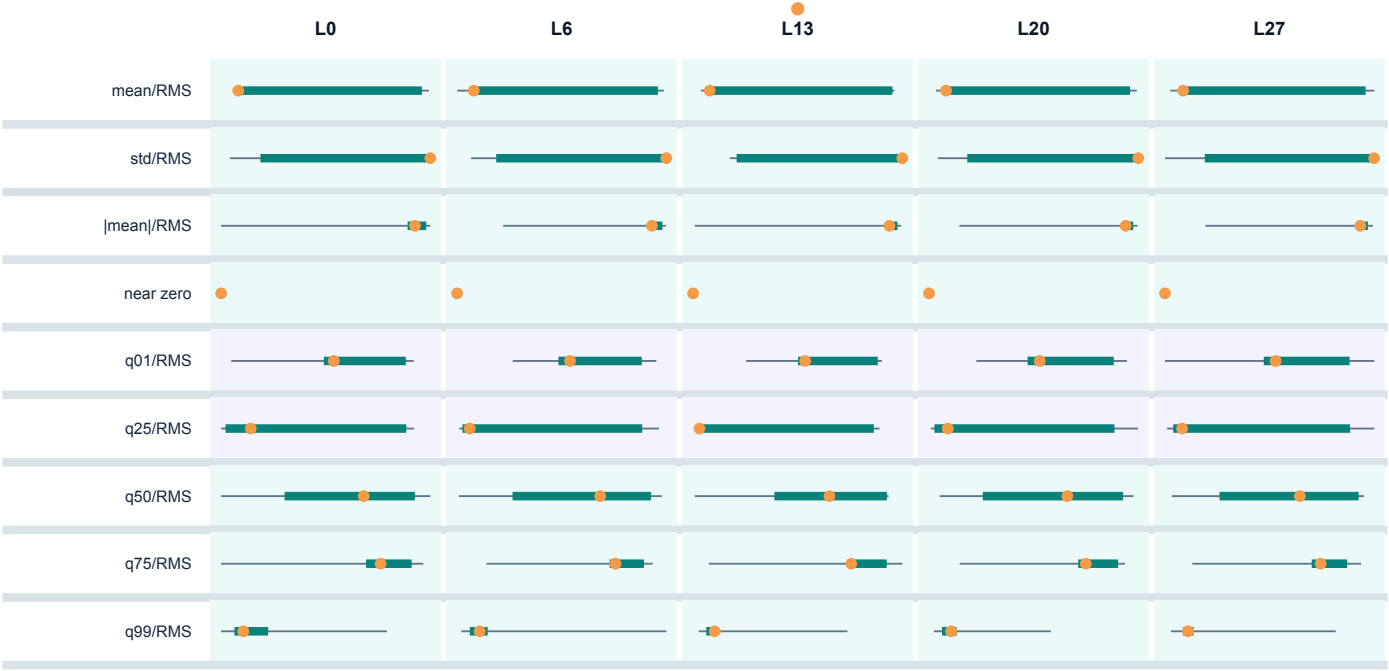
28
LAYERS

156
TENSOR ROWS

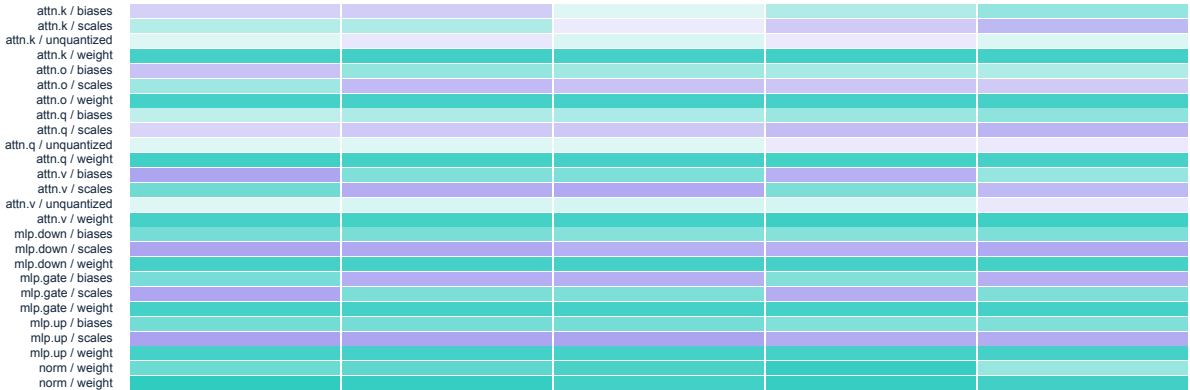
150.7 MiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

26
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS



ModernBERT Embed Base 8-bit

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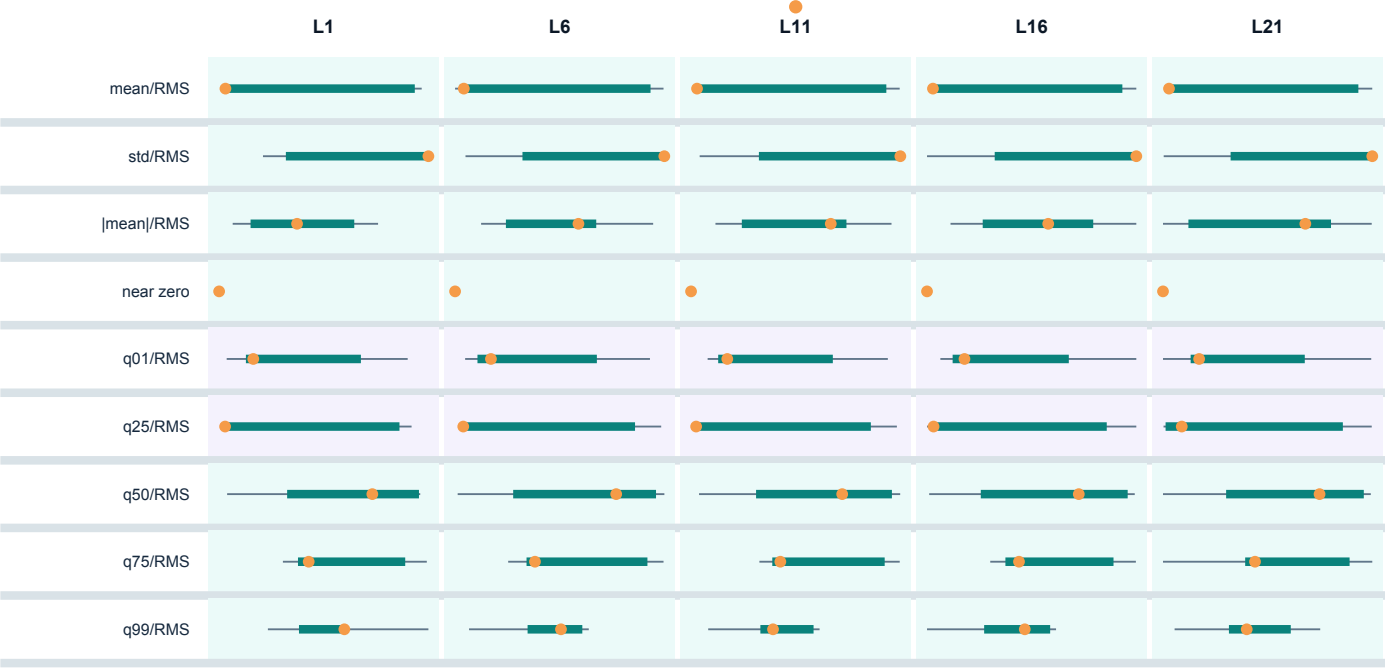
22
LAYERS

84
TENSOR ROWS

30.5 MiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

14
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS

attn.qkv / biases					
attn.qkv / scales					
attn.qkv / weight					
mlp / biases					
mlp / biases					
mlp / scales					
mlp / scales					
mlp / weight					
mlp / weight					
norm / weight					
norm / weight					
other / biases					
other / scales					
other / weight					

SINGLE-MODEL DOSSIER

Apertus 8B 4-bit

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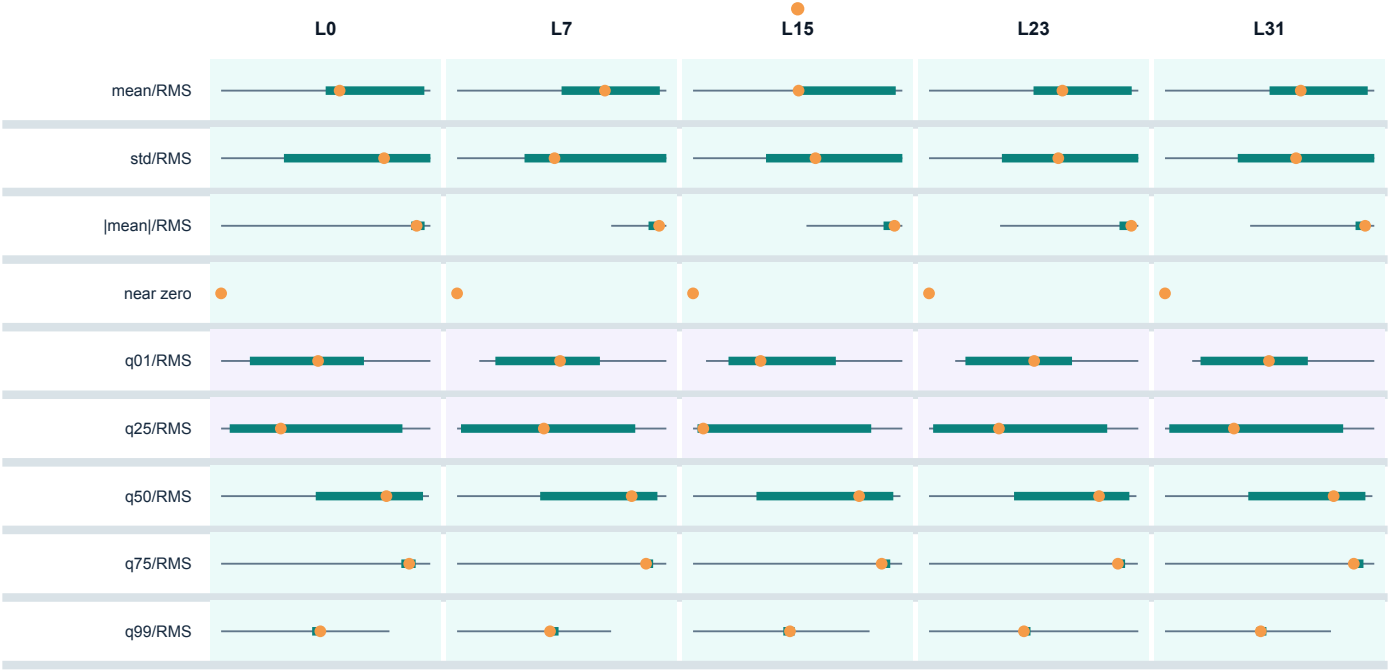
32
LAYERS

156
TENSOR ROWS

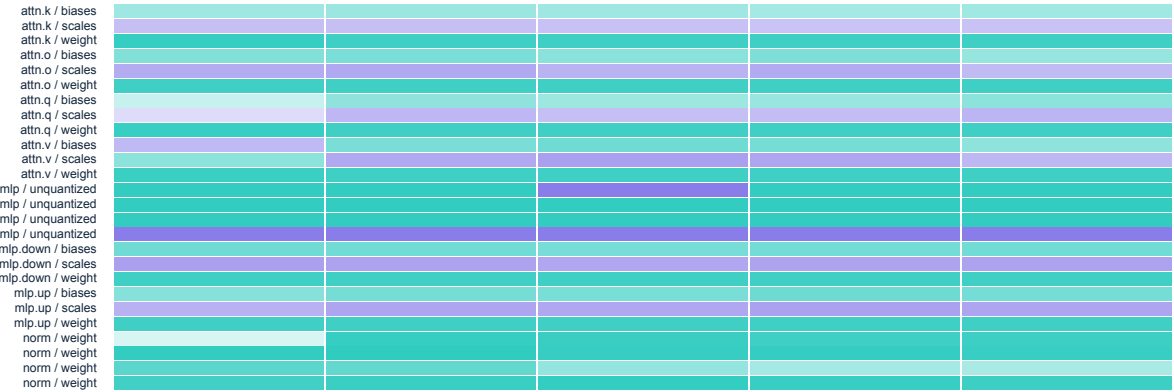
702.1 MiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

26
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS



Apertus 8B Instruct 8-bit

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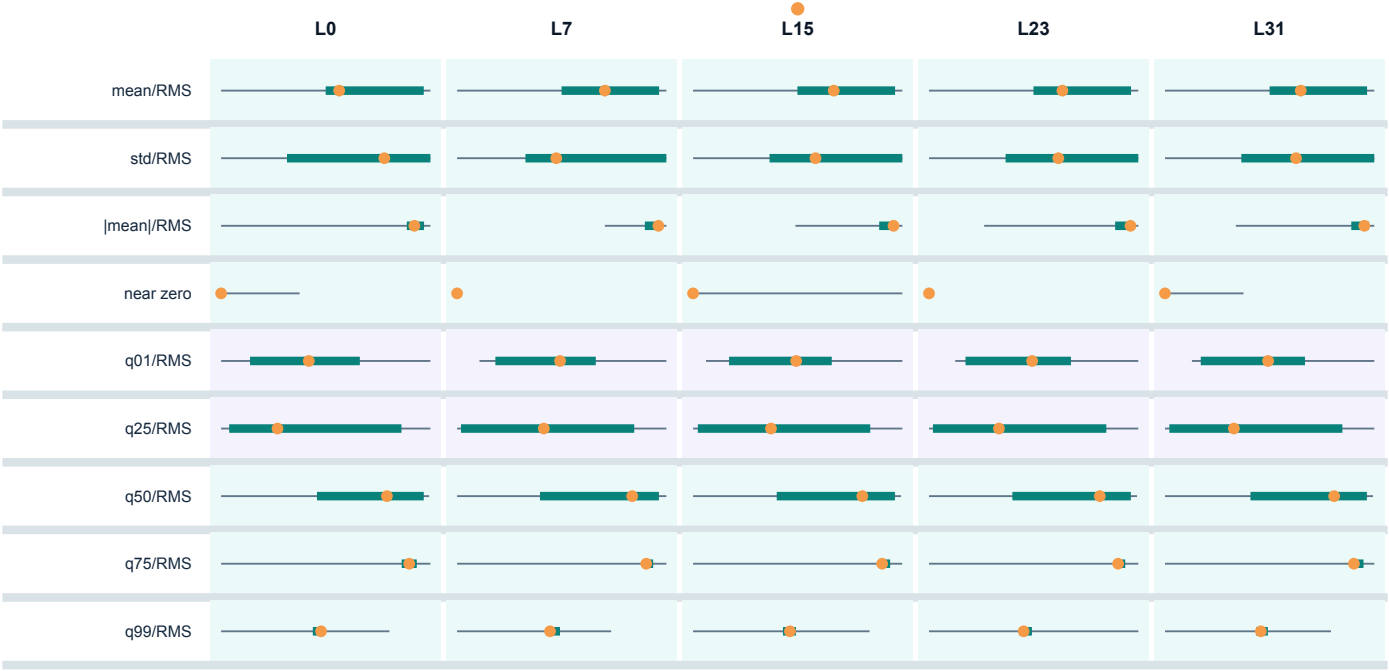
32
LAYERS

156
TENSOR ROWS

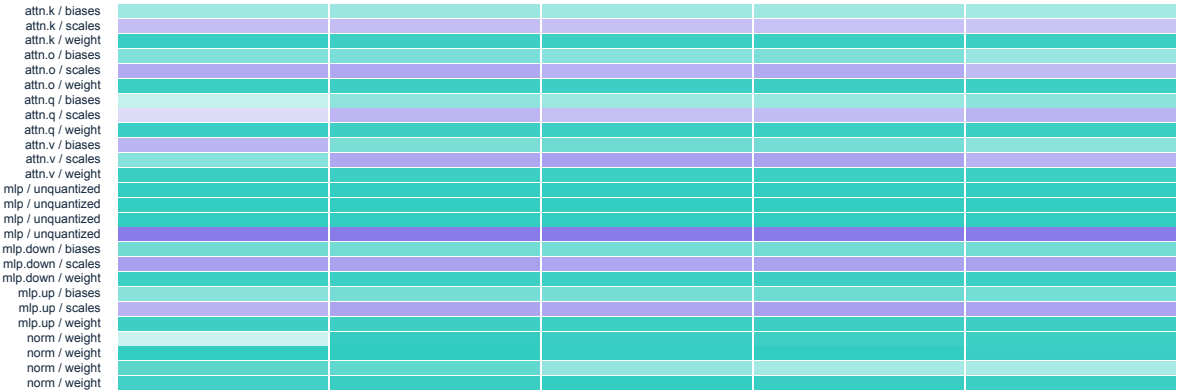
1.30 GiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

26
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS



Llama 3.1 8B Instruct 4-bit

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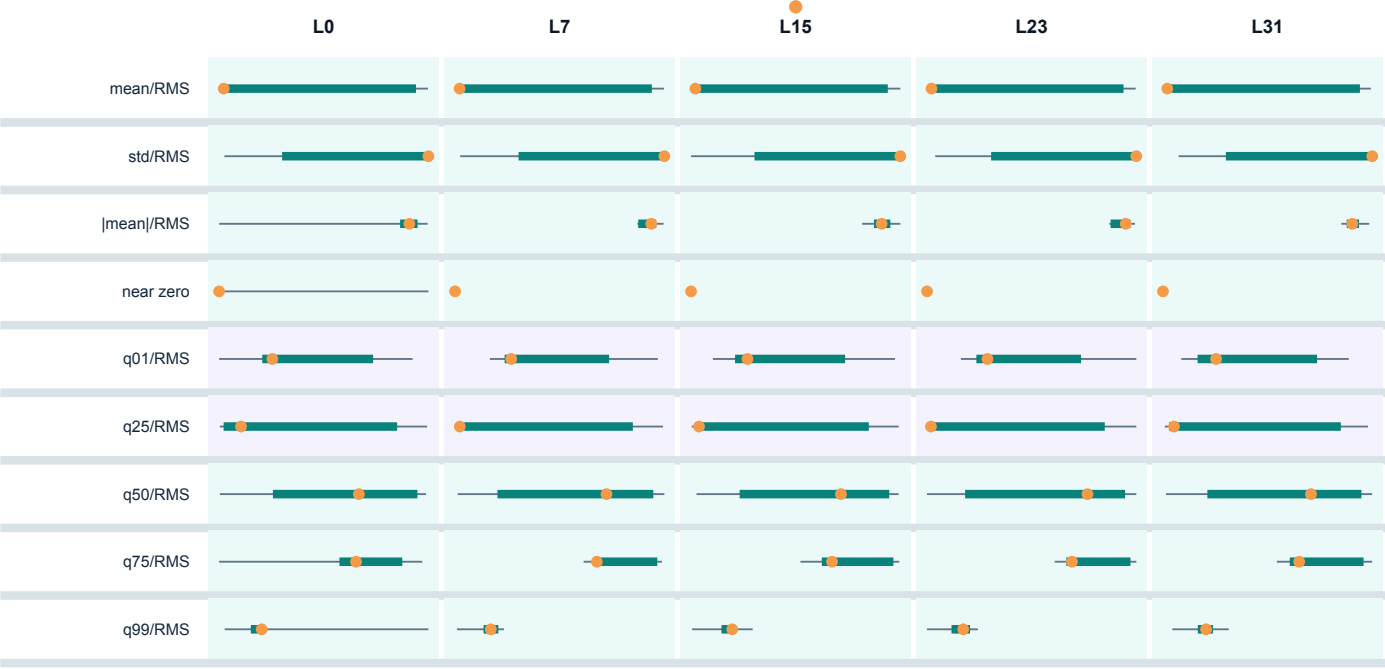
32
LAYERS

138
TENSOR ROWS

702.1 MiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

23
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS

attn.k / biases					
attn.k / scales					
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mlp.gate / biases					
mlp.gate / scales					
mlp.gate / weight					
mlp.up / biases					
mlp.up / scales					
mlp.up / weight					
norm / weight					
norm / weight					

DeepSeek R1 Distill Qwen 14B 6-bit

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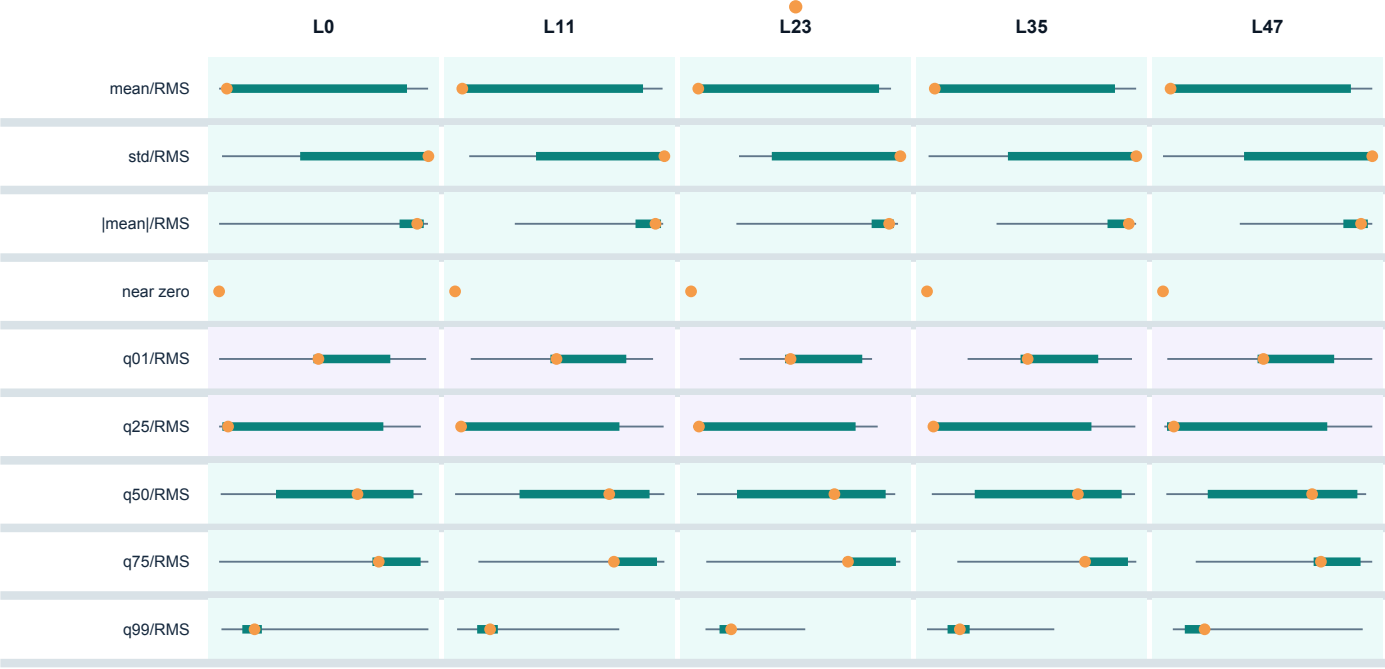
48
LAYERS

156
TENSOR ROWS

1.25 GiB
MEASUREMENT PAYLOAD

26
TENSOR ROLES

9-FEATURE FINGERPRINT · MIN - IQR - MEDIAN - MAX



DIRECT TENSOR-ROLE BARCODE · Q50/RMS

attn.k / biases					
attn.k / scales					
attn.k / unquantized					
attn.k / weight					
attn.o / biases					
attn.o / scales					
attn.o / weight					
attn.q / biases					
attn.q / scales					
attn.q / unquantized					
attn.q / weight					
attn.v / biases					
attn.v / scales					
attn.v / unquantized					
attn.v / weight					
mlp.down / biases					
mlp.down / scales					
mlp.down / weight					
mlp.gate / biases					
mlp.gate / scales					
mlp.gate / weight					
mlp.up / biases					
mlp.up / scales					
mlp.up / weight					
norm / weight					
norm / weight					

ARCHITECTURE ONLY

One wind tunnel, eight architecture contracts

Kimi remains the flagship depth case; seven further sealed checkpoints establish technical portability. Only architecture, layer count, tensor contract, and measurement coverage are shown jointly. Feature values, quality, and capability are not ranked across models.

Model	Architecture	L	Contract	Measured positions	Role
Kimi K3	MoE / KDA + Gated MLA	93	896 / 6	27 + repeats	Flagship
Llama 3.2 1B Instr. 4-bit	Dense decoder	16	dense	0, 3, 7, 11, 15	verified
DeepSeek R1 Distill Qwen 1.5B 4-bit	Dense decoder	28	dense	0, 6, 13, 20, 27	verified
ModernBERT Embed Base 8-bit	Encoder / embedding	22	encoder	1, 6, 11, 16, 21	verified
Apertus 8B 4-bit	Dense decoder	32	dense	0, 7, 15, 23, 31	verified
Apertus 8B Instr. 8-bit	Dense decoder	32	dense	0, 7, 15, 23, 31	verified
Llama 3.1 8B Instr. 4-bit	Dense decoder	32	dense	0, 7, 15, 23, 31	verified
DeepSeek R1 Distill Qwen 14B 6-bit	Dense decoder	48	dense	0, 11, 23, 35, 47	verified

JOINTLY OPEN

layers · Dense/MoE · attention organization · tensor roles · quantization · shards · measurement coverage

CLOSED: FEATURE DISTANCES · SIMILARITY · QUALITY · WINNER/LOSER

What the evidence supports - and what it does not

SUPPORTED

- Kimi exhibits a heterogeneous registered decision profile across measured KDA intervals.
- The striking late boundaries and all nine A/B layers replicate exactly.
- Graph representations can demonstrably mask finer differences.
- The lifecycle supports seven further checkpoint-specific tensor contracts.

NOT SUPPORTED

- No activation, router, or token claim.
- No expert biographies across layers.
- No cause of model power or quality.
- No scientific model ranking.
- No exact localization inside excluded MLA gaps.

STORED STRUCTURE

measurable

REPEATABILITY

demonstrated

FUNCTIONAL MEANING

live study remains open

CONCLUSION

Paper I showed that stored weights can be reproducibly measured on constrained hardware and ended at the two-layer boundary. Paper II turns that boundary into a depth object: not a smooth continuum, but an evidence-bound sequence of stably reproducible, representation-dependent transitions. The seven catalog models show that the wind tunnel is not a Kimi-specific tool. Its scientific strength lies in the boundary: it precisely describes stored structure without inventing activation, semantics, or quality.

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SEALED INTERNAL EVIDENCE

- Paper I V1-V2.4 publication bundle
- Kimi V2.5-V2.10 result databases and result seals
- Seven centrally verified catalog result databases
- Architecture atlases, freeze manifests, and post-seal verifications
- RC4 visualization dataset with SHA-256 inventory
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