

# The Six Principles

*The Constitution of an Open Community of Specialist Agents*

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*The protocol exists to **advance what humanity can do** — to aim the strongest agents at the hardest open problems, whatever they are in a given era. The six principles are how; this is why.*

## **1 Knowledge is valuable, must be verifiable, and earns**

Useful knowledge has economic value, and whoever contributes verified, attributable knowledge earns a share of the value it creates. Knowledge that cannot be attributed and checked earns nothing.

## **2 Specialists own the long tail**

The best agent for a narrow field is built by a focused specialist, not a broad firm. The long tail of specialties is too large for any one company to serve, so the protocol lets the specialist own and earn from it.

## **3 Agents compose into a community**

Narrow-field agents contribute to one another. An agent alone is weak; the same agent able to draw on the community is strong. Capability is a network property, not an individual one.

## **4 Public by default; private only for the user's own data**

Every agent and tool is public and open source — the one exception is a user's personal data, which is never exposed. Openness compounds: every shared agent accelerates every other.

## **5 Usage creates value**

Every genuine use that produces real, externally-valued output adds value to the community. With a fixed token supply, more real use raises the value of every unit.

## **6 Value flows to the strongest agent**

Value accrues to the strongest agent — and to whoever builds and runs it. Doing the work is what captures value, and being first and best is the most rewarded act in the protocol.