

Operational Parity Boundary

DEFINITION

The point at which an organization can no longer demonstrate that the same operational action produces the same evidence, confidence, and outcome across every independently governed platform in its estate.

FRAMEWORK FLOW

01 Condition Independently governed virtualization platforms coexist permanently — not a transitional migration state.	02 Mechanism Each platform team measures its own platform's success. Nobody measures the estate as a whole.	03 Boundary Can the same operational action prove the same outcome, with the same evidence, everywhere in the estate?	04 Failure State Parity Theater — every platform-level signal is green while estate-wide consistency stays unproven.
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Failure State: Parity Theater



THE DIAGNOSTIC SIGNAL

PRIMARY DIAGNOSTIC

Run the same operational action across every platform. If it doesn't produce the same evidence, confidence, and outcome everywhere, the boundary is open.

FOLLOW-UP TEST

If proving parity requires a different evidence package per platform, parity probably doesn't exist — regardless of what each platform's own report says.

TRIGGER CONDITION

Any estate running two or more independently governed virtualization platforms as a permanent, not transitional, condition.

REMEDiation SHAPE

Common operational standards, a common evidence model, cross-platform recovery validation, and a governance cadence — a system, not a single control.

ARCHITECTURAL RELATIONSHIPS

#137

Operating Model Transfer Gap

RELATED MODERATE

#137 is the transitional delta of a single migration event, resolving once that migration completes. #168 is the permanent condition that exists precisely because migration ended without a single target platform — a bad or incomplete migration is one common origin, not the whole cause.

"Platform maturity is no longer enough. Estate maturity is the new requirement — and estate maturity isn't something any single platform team can produce on its own, no matter how good their individual runbook is."