

Completing the Life-Value Onto-Axiology Program

From Life-Ground to Living Coherence.

A Process-Relational, Operational, and Falsifiable
Architecture for Institutional Design.



The Structural Inversion

The Money Sequence

$$M \rightarrow C \rightarrow M'$$

Organizes commodities, labor, nature, and institutions to multiply money claims. Life conditions are treated as expendable inputs or externalities. Price becomes value; throughput becomes welfare.

The Life Sequence

$$L \rightarrow \text{Means} \rightarrow L^1$$

Organizes the means of life to maintain and enlarge living capacities. Efficiency is defined by the production of genuine life goods with diminishing harm and ecological burden.

The **Life-Value** Compass

**Coherently
Inclusive
Flourishing**

The Primary Axiom

X is valuable insofar as it enables a more coherently inclusive range of thought, felt being, and action than without it.

This is not survivalism, biological fitness, or preference theory. It evaluates preferences themselves according to their effects on life-capacity.

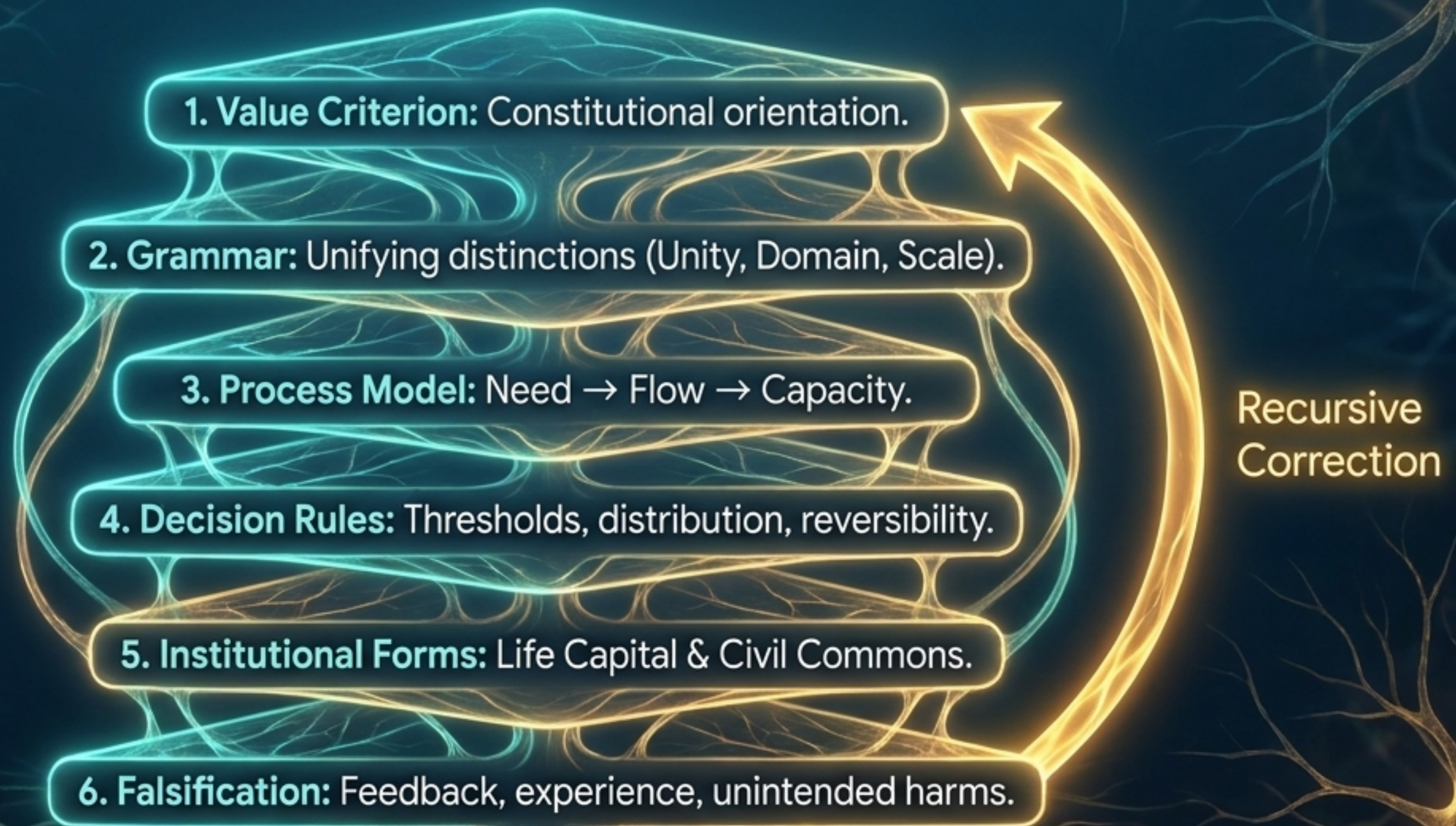
An increase in one metric cannot count as a gain if it destroys the ecological conditions of future life.

The **Unfinished** Middle

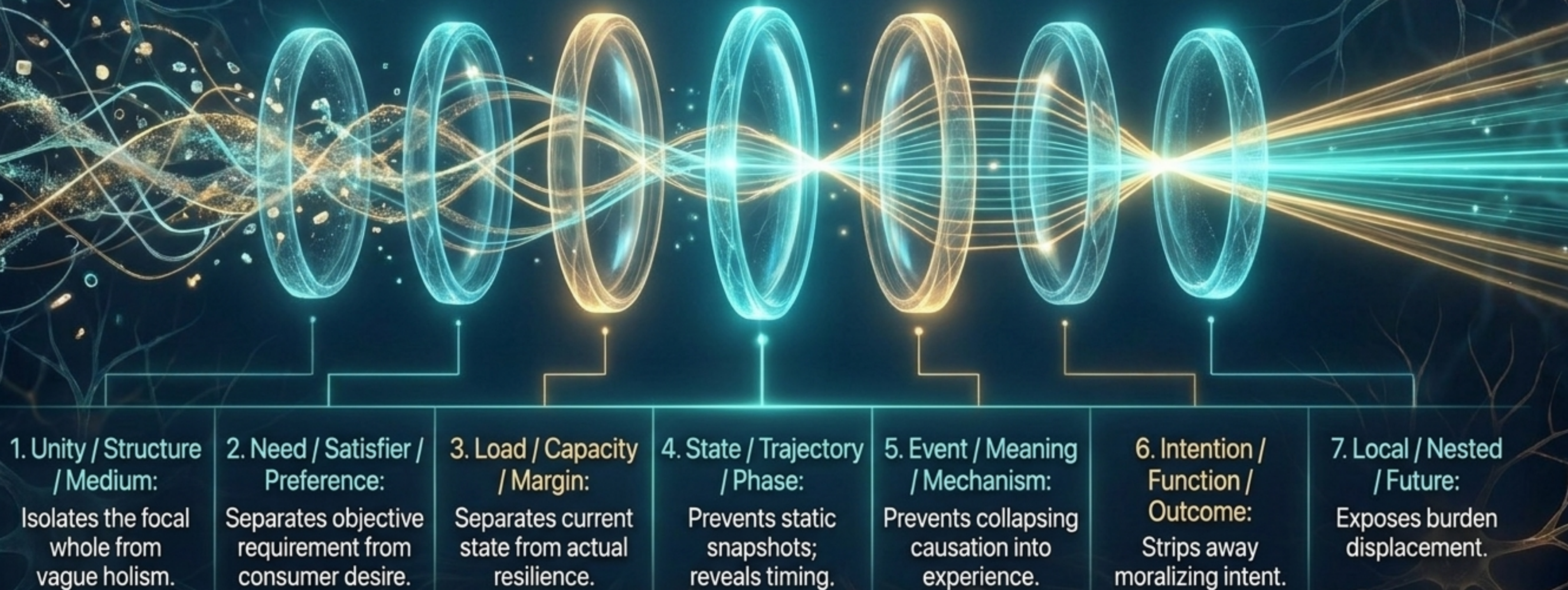


A criterion tells us what ultimately matters. It does not automatically provide a causal model, a measurement architecture, or a domain-specific research method.

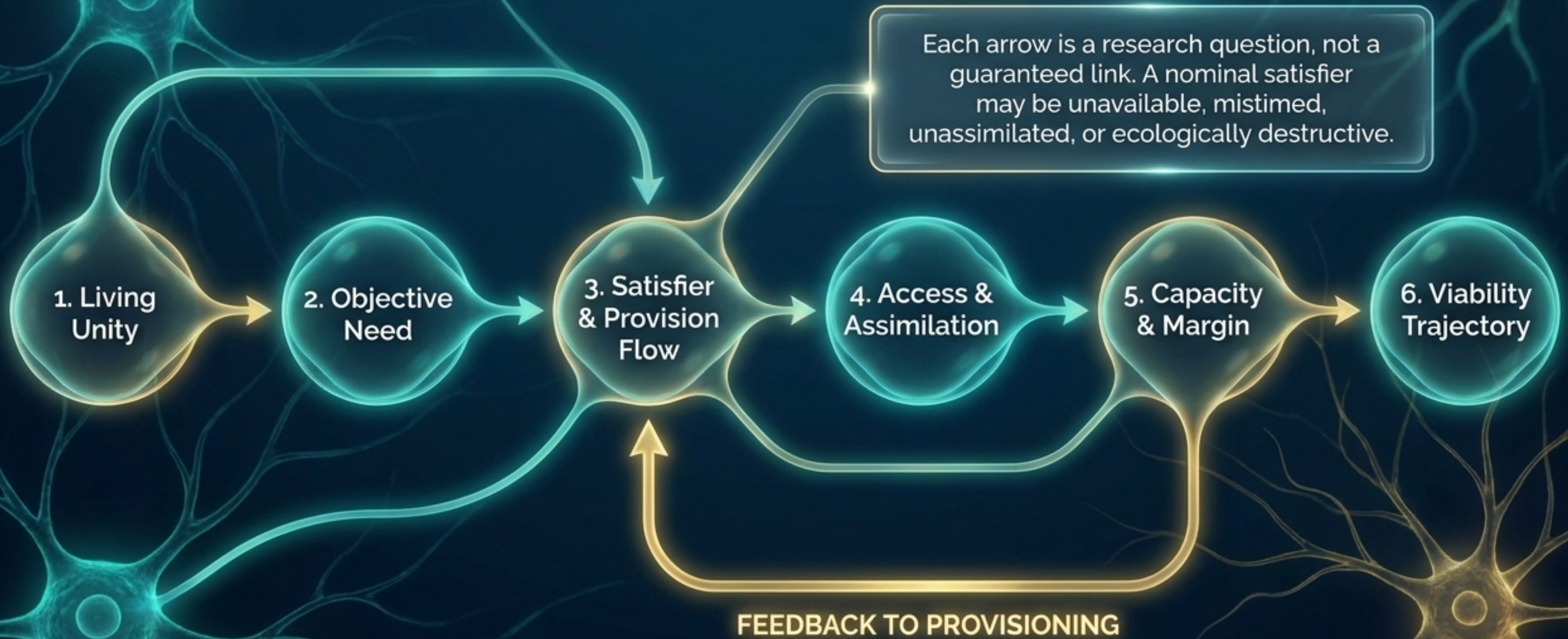
A Minimally Complete Architecture



The Minimal Operational Grammar



The Dynamic Causal Sequence



Flow is the Missing Temporal Grammar

A satisfier is not valuable simply because it exists in aggregate.
Its life-value depends on quantity, timing, rhythm, and uptake.

Flows (Nutrition, Care, Resources, Attention)

Stock

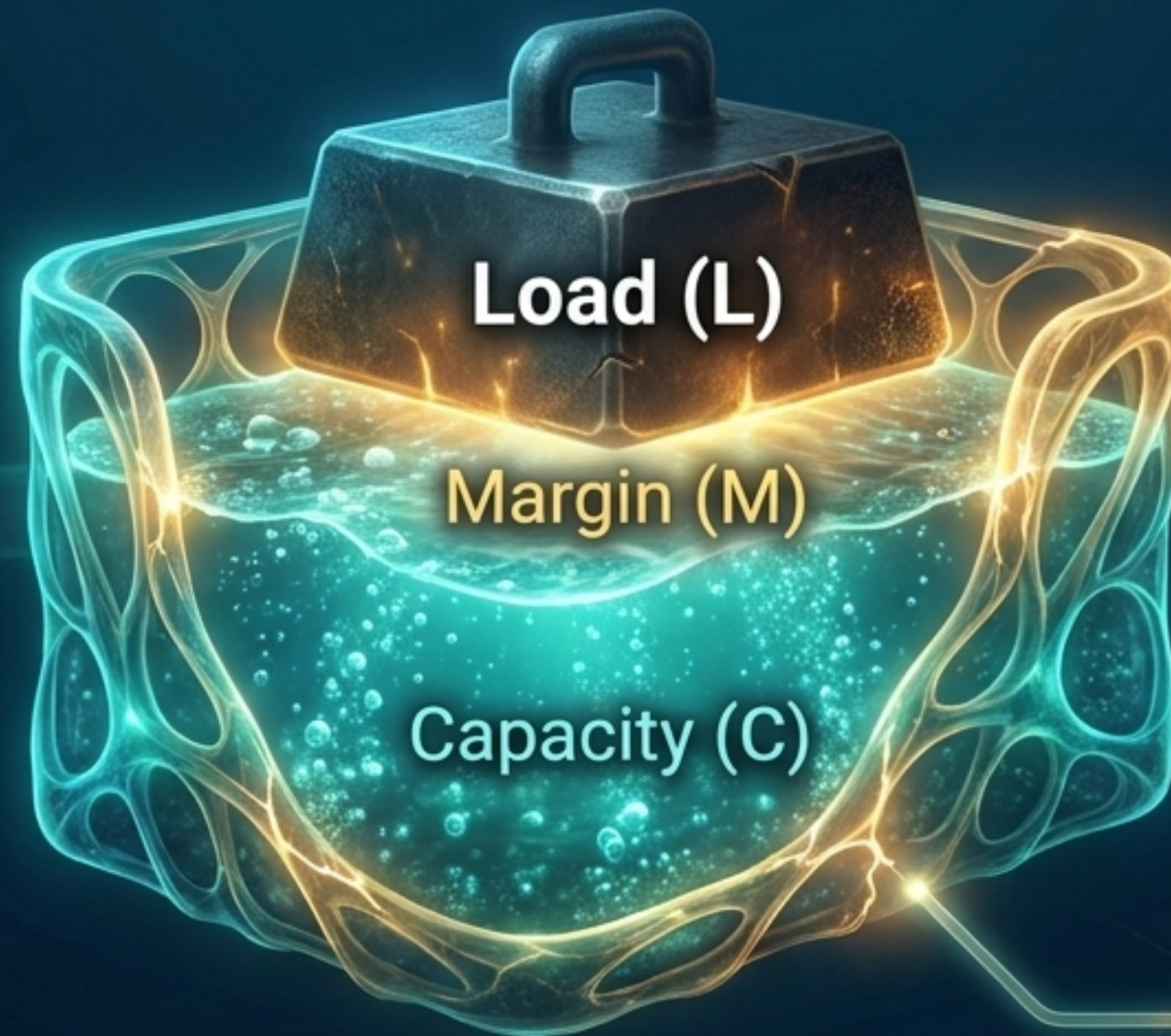
(Bodies, Infrastructure,
Institutions)

Stocks do not exist as static objects.
They are stabilized histories of flows.

Bodies, infrastructure, and institutions all decay when
their constitutive flows are distorted or withdrawn.

Fix the flow, rebuild the stock.

The Metabolic Engine: Capacity, Load, and Margin



$$M^d(t) = C^d(t) - L^d(t)$$

Margin is not “wasted space.”
It is the vital reserve required for
adaptation, recovery, learning,
and response to disturbance.

If margin goes negative,
the system cracks.

The Operational Taxonomy of Satisfiers



The Anti-Displacement Radar

1 Person / Organism
(Focal capacity)

2 Community / Relationships
(Care and localized burden)

3 Society / Institutions
(Provision, power, and distribution)

4 Biosphere / Generations
(Regeneration and future options)

Key Question

Local success can be nested failure. A profitable firm transferring pollution to a watershed, or a present generation consuming margins needed by the future, fails the anti-displacement test.

Institutional Realization



Life Capital

Definition: Organized natural and human-made wealth that reproduces life goods without net life-loss.

Examples: Healthy bodies, soil systems, public health capability, democratic practices.

Note: Monetary appreciation does not prove life capital has grown.

Civil Commons

Definition: Social arrangements securing access to life goods according to need rather than purchasing power.

Examples: Universal healthcare, libraries, ecological stewardship.

Note: They must be actively defended against bureaucratic insulation and commercial colonization.

The Institutional Translation Matrix

Health Care

Treatment volume / Disease codes

Health Care

Situated capacity to recover and participate (Healthy-Life Capacity)

Education

Test scores / Credential accumulation

Education

Expanded thought, felt being, and democratic agency

Economics

GDP / Consumption throughput

Economics

Sufficiency, regenerative life capital, and reduced harm per good

Governance

Procedural compliance / Electoral output

Governance

Participatory detection and correction of life-harms

Epistemology: How Living Worlds Answer Back

First-Person (Felt)

Pain, meaning, fatigue, agency.
(Metrics cannot override suffering).

The Life-Knowledge Commons



Second-Person

(Relational)

Testimony, dialogue,
participatory interpretation.

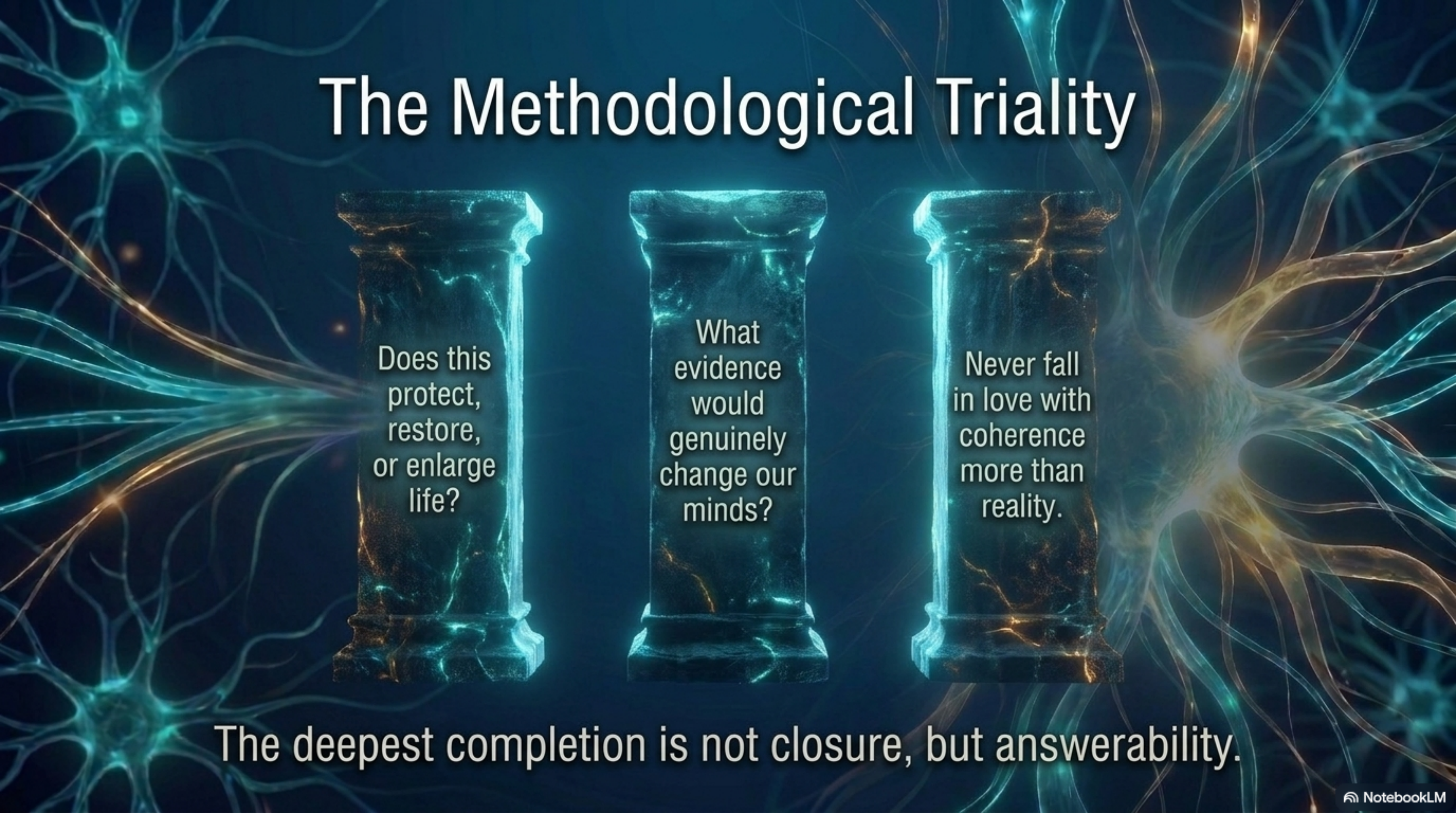
Third-Person

(Observed)

Physiology, ecology, economics.
(Experience cannot invent mechanisms).

No individual, discipline, or AI system can be the sovereign interpreter. This architecture requires adversarial testing, falsifiable hypotheses, and affected-community correction.

The Methodological Triality



Does this
protect,
restore,
or enlarge
life?

What
evidence
would
genuinely
change our
minds?

Never fall
in love with
coherence
more than
reality.

The deepest completion is not closure, but answerability.