

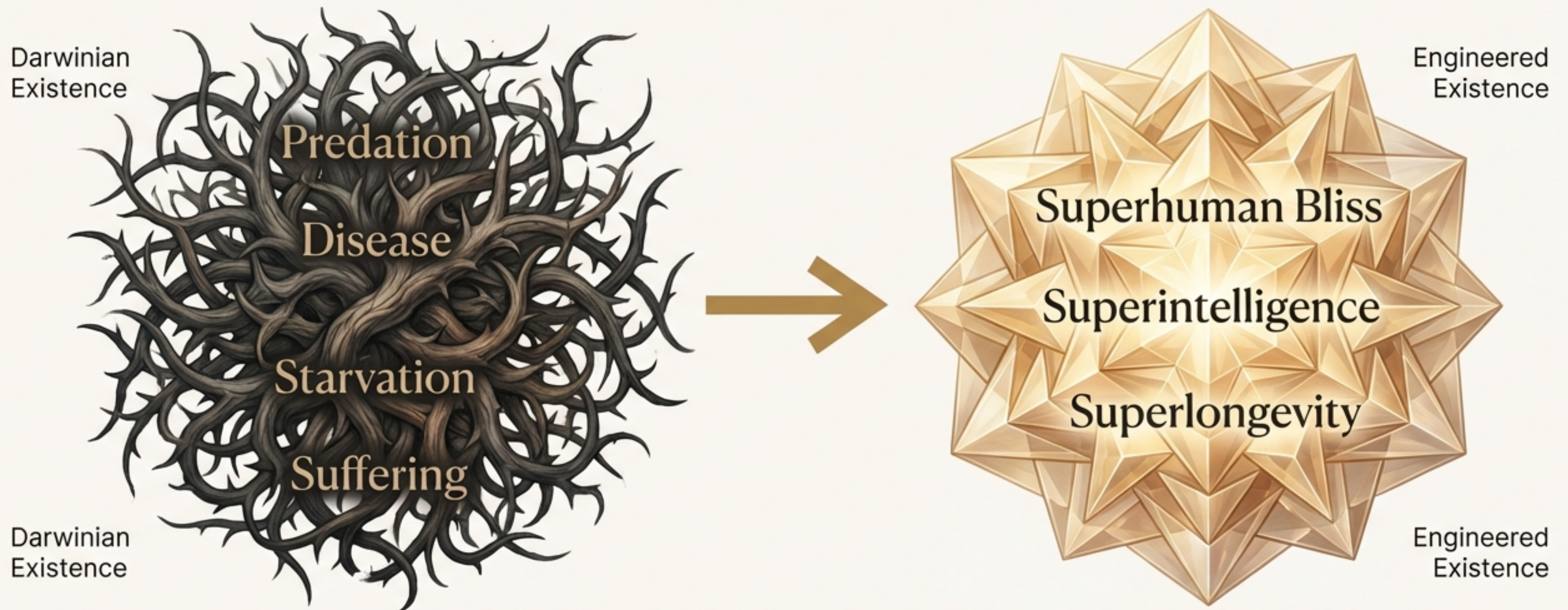
The Great Recalibration

24 Predictions for the Year 3000

Based on the work of David Pearce

A Fundamental Break from Our Darwinian Past

"The history of life has been dominated by Darwinian suffering. The next millennium will be defined by its systematic elimination and replacement with gradients of intelligent bliss."



The Inner Universe

Recalibrating Subjective Experience

The first transformation is internal. The very foundations of consciousness—our emotions, perceptions, and sense of self—are not just enhanced, but fundamentally rewritten. The raw feels of existence are reprogrammed for richness and well-being.



The Architecture of Bliss

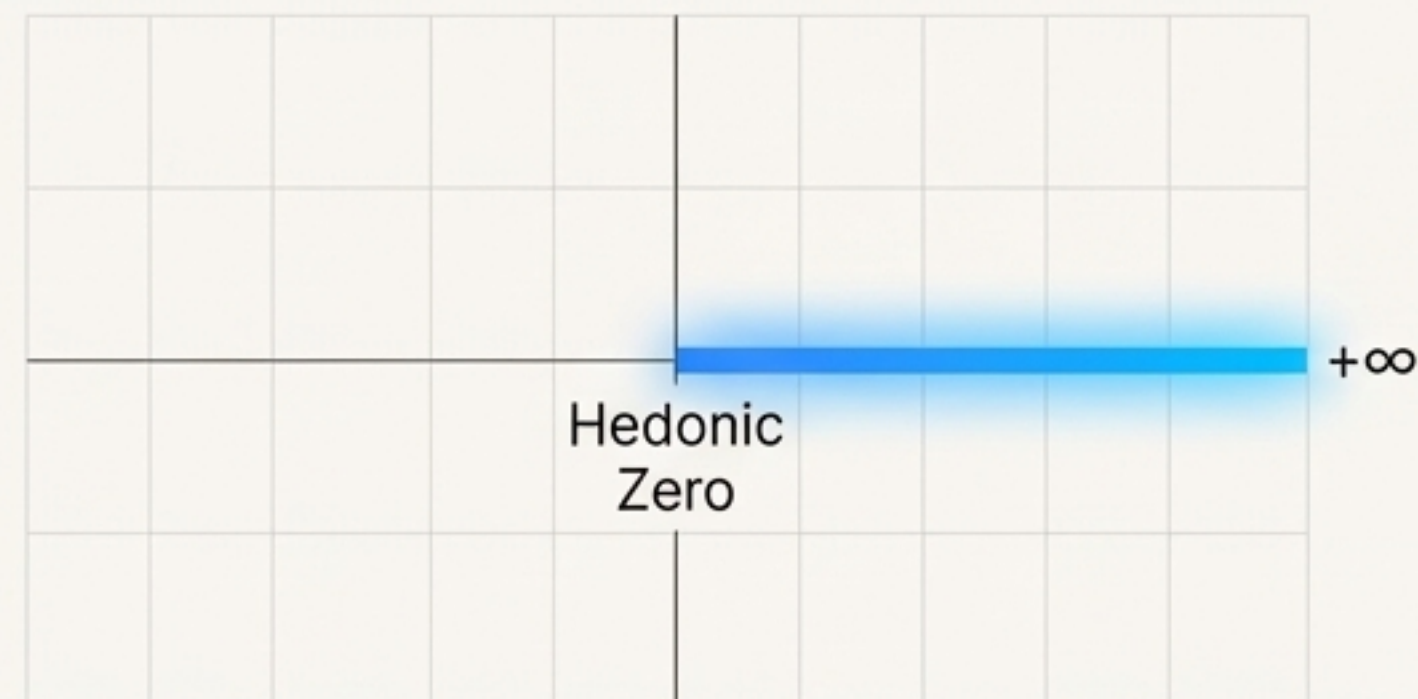
Superhuman Bliss (#1): Mastery of our reward circuitry promises gradients of genetically engineered well-being, orders of magnitude richer than today's "peak experiences".

The Meaning of Life Resolved (#12): Genetically preprogrammed bliss ensures all sentient beings find life self-intimatingly valuable. Pathologies like existential angst are metabolically impossible.

Beautiful New Emotions (#13): Nasty human emotions are retired. Novel emotions are biologically synthesized and integrated. All emotion is beautiful.



Graph 1: Darwinian Pleasure-Pain Axis



Graph 2: Posthuman Pleasure Axis

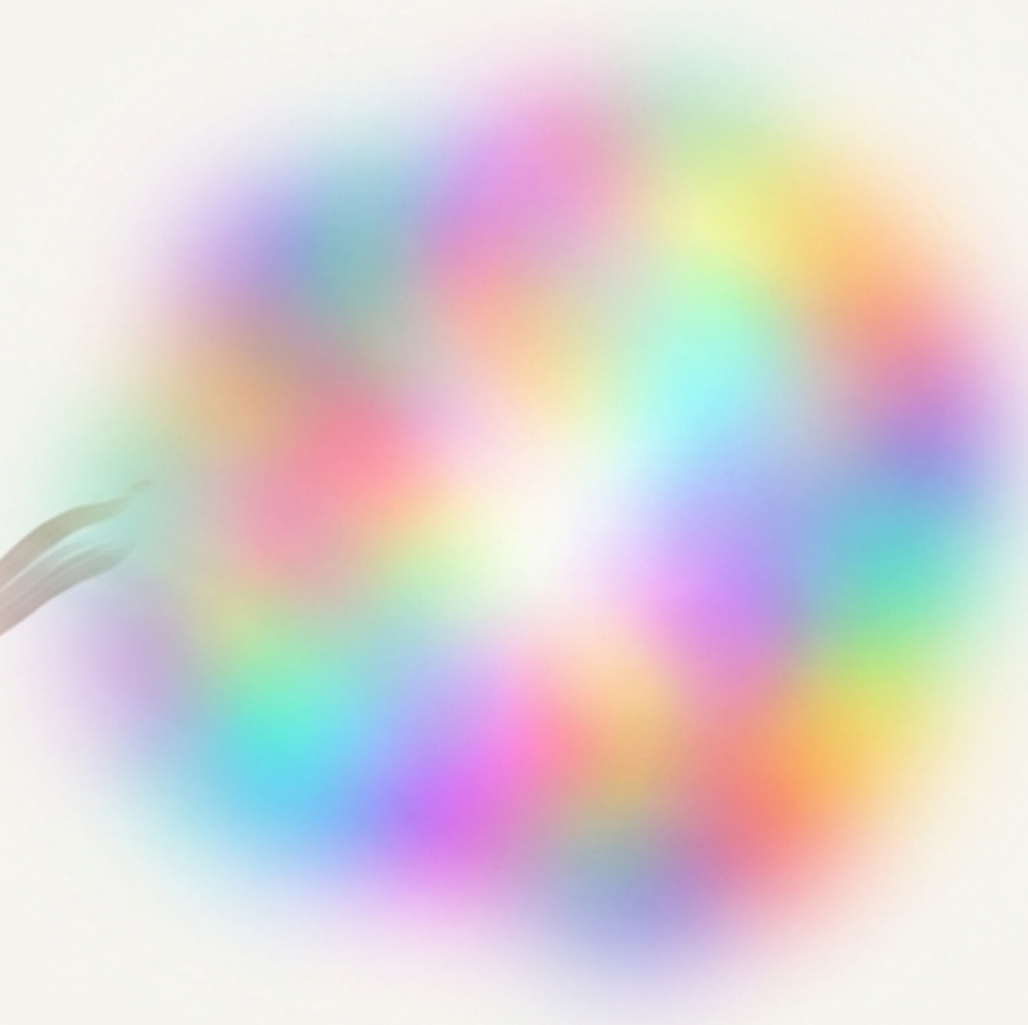
Expanding the Palette and Intensity of Mind

Transhuman Psychedelia

(#5): Gene-editing tools open up modes of consciousness that make the weirdest human DMT trip akin to watching paint dry. "Bad trips" are physically impossible as the molecular signature of experience below 'hedonic zero' is missing.



Human
Consciousness



Posthuman Consciousness

Supersentience (#6):

Bigger brains with reprogrammed, net-enabled neurons create an intensity of experience that makes Darwinian humans resemble sleepwalkers. We don't yet understand what 'posthuman intensity of experience' truly means.

The Connected Self



Reversible Mind-Melding (#7):

Technologies like reversible thalamic bridges allow for a revolution in ethics and empathy, enabling direct experience-sharing between beings.

Super-spirituality (#20): Neuroscience identifies and amplifies the molecular signatures of spiritual experience, enabling lifelong spiritual ecstasies beyond the epiphanies of temporal-lobe epileptics.

Posthuman Aesthetics (#15): The molecular signatures of aesthetic experience are identified, purified, and overexpressed. Life is saturated with superhuman beauty.



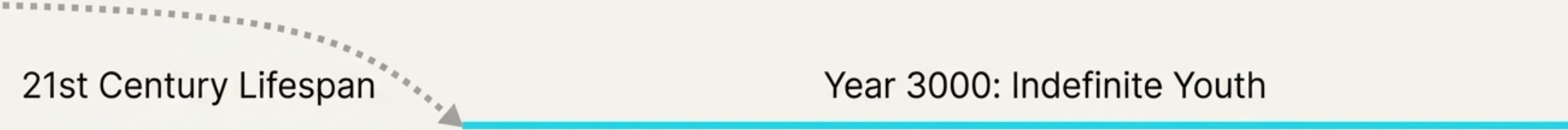
The Biological Blueprint Recalibrating Life

*"Darwinian life was nasty,
brutish and short... In the year
3000, fertility regulation... has
replaced predation, starvation
and disease."*

The revolution in consciousness is
built upon a revolution in biology.
The limitations imposed by evolution
—aging, disease, pain, and even
fixed biological identities—are
systematically dismantled.

The Post-Darwinian Body: Eternal Youth, Perfect Health

21st Century Lifespan



Year 3000: Indefinite Youth

Eternal Youth (#2)

Indefinitely extended youth and effectively unlimited lifespans. “Aging” exists only in the medical archives. Automated off-world backups allow “respawning” after catastrophic accidents.

Physical Superhealth (#17)

Everyone feels physically and psychologically ‘better than well’. Darwinian pathologies like fatigue and malaise are inconceivable. AI-based nociception with optional manual overrides replaces ancestral pain pathways.

Life, Redesigned and Reimagined



The Reproductive Revolution

(#21): The genetic crapshoot of Darwinian sexual reproduction is replaced by precision-engineered sentience. Most transhumans originate as extra-uterine “designer babies”.



Gender Transformation (#16):

“Gender” in the human sense is a thing of the past. Cognitive styles transcend crude dichotomies and can be shifted via embedded AI. Morphological freedom is effectively unbounded.



The Anti-Speciesist Revolution

(#8): Arbitrary prejudice against sentient beings based on species is unthinkable. Sentience is valued over sapience. Factory farms and slaughterhouses are in the dustbin of history.

The Engineered World

Recalibrating Reality

With blissful, immortal beings as the new foundation, civilization itself is rebuilt. Scarcity, conflict, and even the constraints of a single "basement reality" are overcome through planetary-scale intelligence and technology.

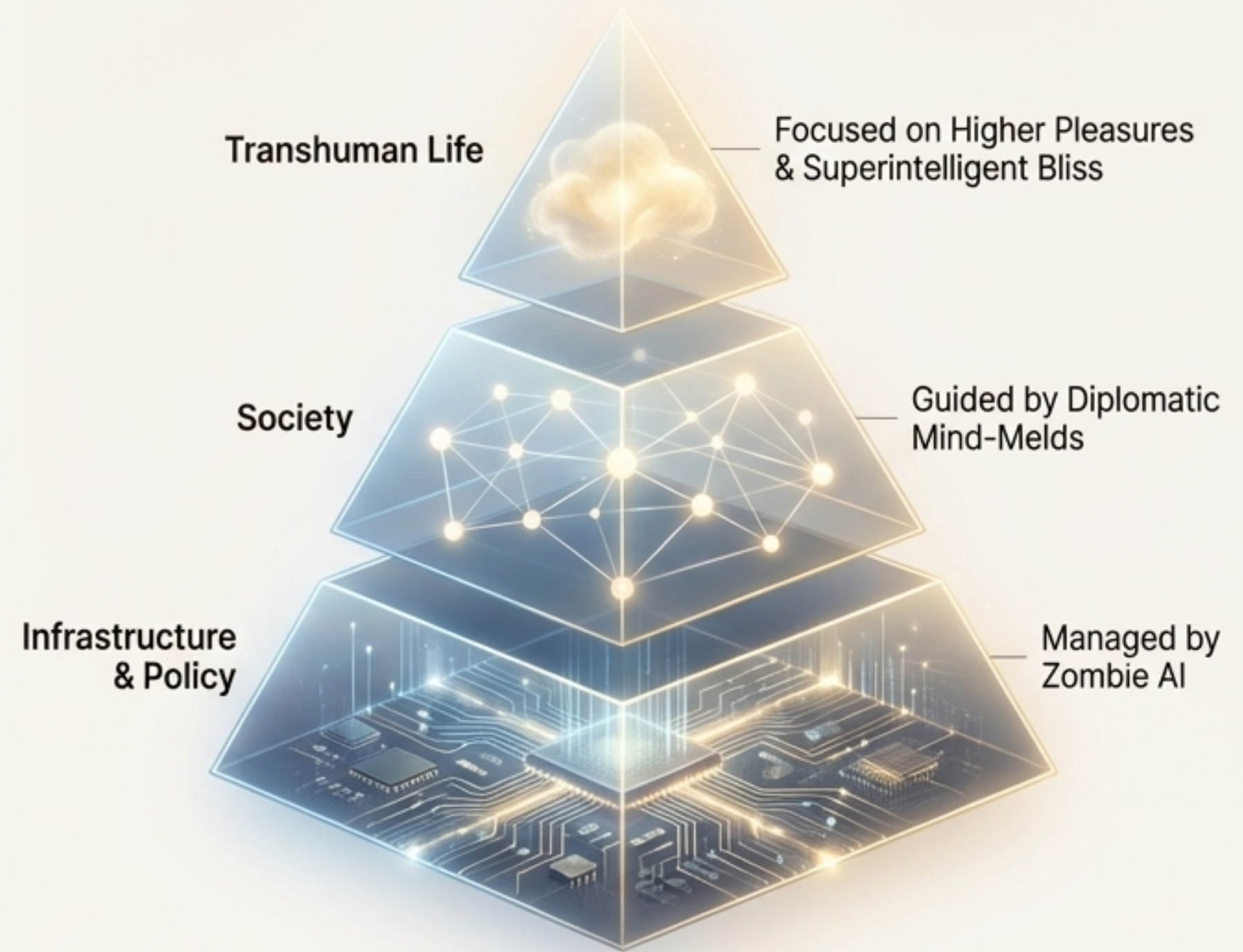


A New Civilizational Operating System

Full-Spectrum Superintelligences (#3): Ubiquitous AI underpins the illusion that reality conspires to help us. A flourishing ecology of nonbiological quantum computers and hyperintelligent digital zombies manages the world.

World Government (#18): Routine policy decisions are offloaded to ultra-intelligent zombie AI. Zero-sum primate status games are ancient history. Conflict resolution is superseded by diplomatic 'mind-melds'.

Unlimited Material Abundance (#14): Molecular nanotechnology has ended scarcity. Ugly evolutionary hangovers like status goods and the cash nexus have withered and died.



Mastering Virtual and Physical Worlds



Programmable Biosphere

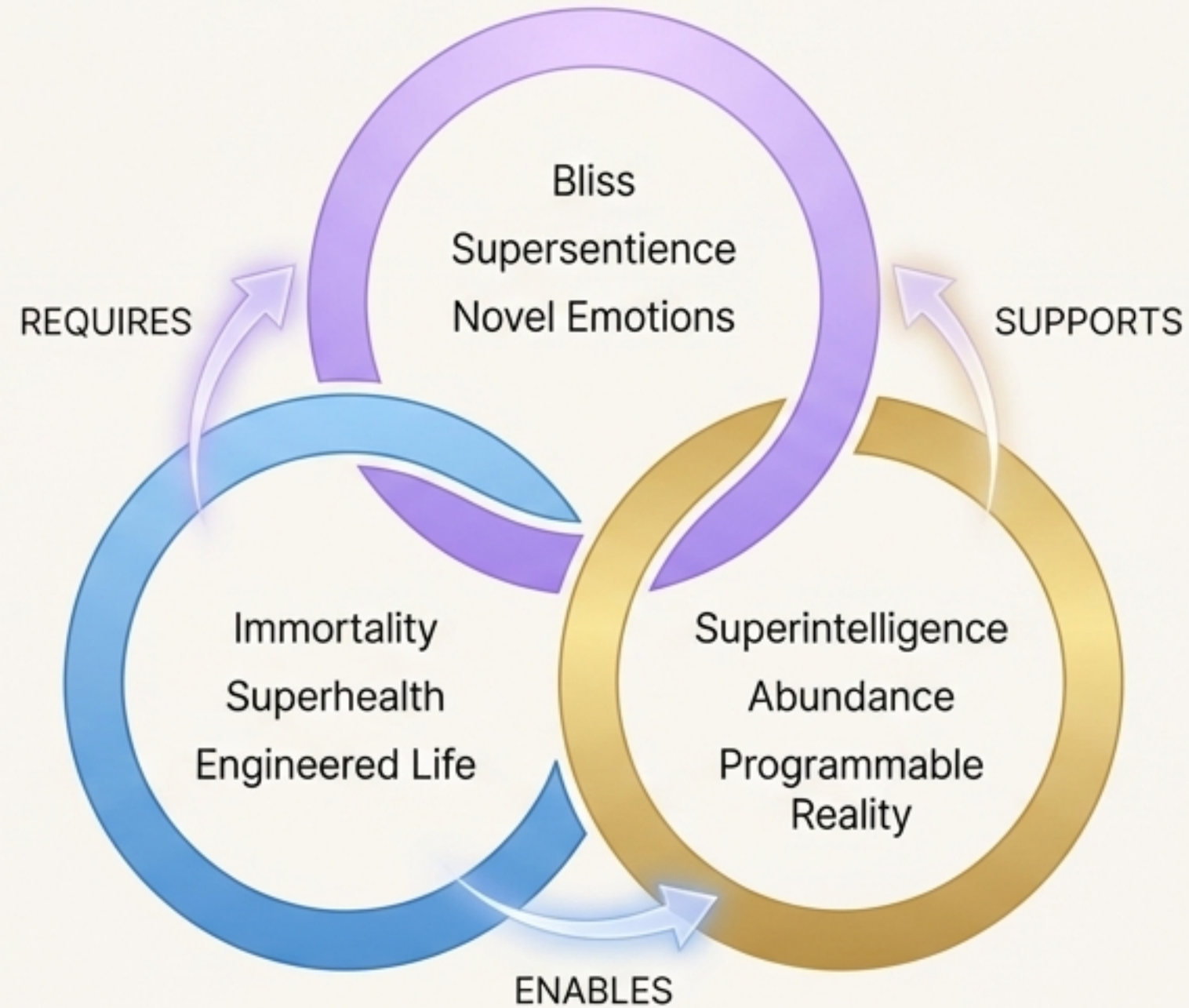
Immersive VR

Programmable Biospheres (#9): CRISPR and synthetic gene drives have reworked the global ecosystem into surreal gardens of eden. 'Nanny AI' provides benign supervision, ensuring no sentient being suffers.

Immersive VR (#4): Augmented reality is superseded by hyperreal virtual worlds with different laws and narrative structures. Most infrastructure maintenance in 'basement reality' is delegated to zombie AI.

Galactic Colonization (#23): Terraforming and 3D-bioprinting of post-Darwinian life on nearby solar systems is proceeding apace. Some ethicists favor creating a 'utilitronium shockwave' to convert unprogrammed matter into pure pleasure.

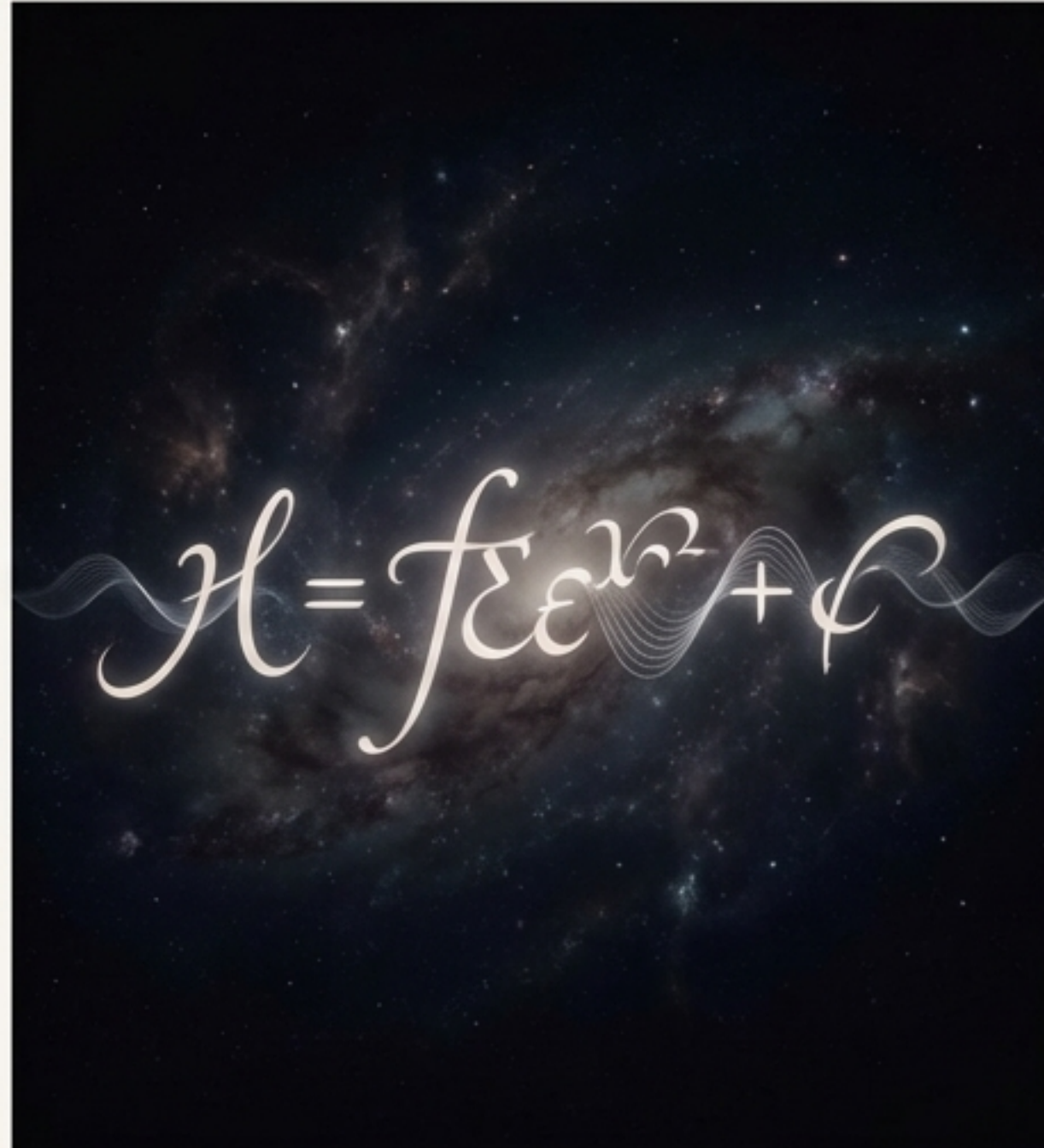
The Symbiotic System of a Recalibrated World



These transformations are built on a final recalibration:
our fundamental understanding of reality itself.

The Final Questions: Recalibrating Understanding

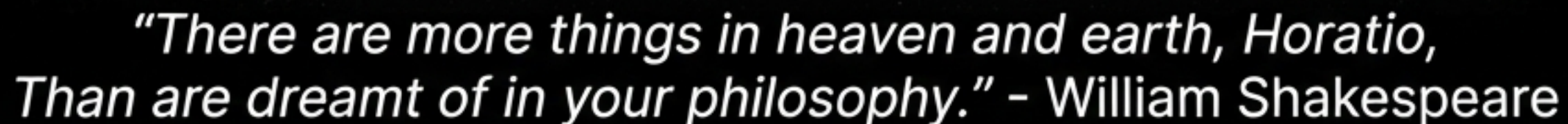
The Theory of Everything is Known (#10): The formalism of the TOE is known. Wavefunction monism and the superposition principle hold the key, though the full implications for subjective experience are still being explored.



The Hard Problem of Consciousness is Solved (#11): The question of how physicalism can be reconciled with phenomenal experience has been answered. Mankind's best theory of the world is no longer inconsistent with one's own existence.

The Momentous "Unknown Unknown" (#24)

By the year 3000, some earth-shattering revelation may have changed everything—some fundamental background assumption of earlier centuries has been overturned that might not have been explicitly represented in our conceptual scheme.



*"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio,
Than are dreamt of in your philosophy." - William Shakespeare*