

THESIS BRIEF — THEORY-FIRST RESEARCH

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Smart Technology Investments

Cognitive Wars: the AI Industrialization of Influence

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Alignment: 6.0 Theory Depth: 6.0 Clarity: 7.0

Disclosure & Method Note: This is a *theory-first* brief. Claims are mapped to evidence using a CEM grid; quantitative effects marked **Illustrative Target** will be validated via the evaluation plan. Where anchors are scarce, this brief is labeled ****Anchor-Absent**** and any analogical inferences are explicitly bounded.



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Abstract & Theory-First Framing.

Sources

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Research Roadmap

- **Phase 1 (Theory):** Formalize claims, extend proofs, validate against canonical results
- **Phase 2 (Simulation):** Implement stress tests, sweep parameter spaces, measure convergence/scaling
- **Phase 3 (Empirical):** Deploy in controlled environments, collect field data, validate predictions
- **Phase 4 (Integration):** Operationalize with human-in-loop, adversarial hardening, production deployment

Confidence Methodology: $\text{Confidence} = 0.3 \cdot \text{SourceDiversity} + 0.25 \cdot \text{AnchorCoverage} + 0.25 \cdot \text{MethodTransparency} + 0.2 \cdot \text{ReplicationReadiness}$, where *SourceDiversity* reflects unique publishers & types, *AnchorCoverage* reflects share of primary claims with Type-1 anchors, *MethodTransparency* reflects CEM completeness & assumptions ledger, and *ReplicationReadiness* reflects sim plan & datasets/params specified.

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