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- (1) Core theoretical paradigms and key people
 - (1.1) Theoretical Paradigm
 - (1.1.1) General
 - (1.1.2) Depiction of Society that Guides Thinking and Research
 - (1.2) Theory
 - (1.2.1) Specific
 - (1.2.2) How and why
 - (1.2.3) specific facts are related
- (2) Core Theoretical Paradigms and Key People
 - (2.1) Macro theoretical paradigms
 - (2.1.1) Airplane view of Society
 - (2.1.1.1) Structural-functional
 - (2.1.1.2) Social-conflict
 - (2.2) Micro theoretical paradigm
 - (2.2.1) Bicycle view of society
 - (2.2.1.1) Symbolic-interaction
- (3) Structural functionalism
 - (3.1) Theory of relation of parts to society whole.
- (4) A science (area of study) is born
 - (4.1) Auguste Comte 1798-1857
 - (4.2) French Revolution 1789
 - (4.3) Industrial Revolution 1760-1830
 - (4.4) Chaos
 - (4.5) France's instability permanent?
 - (4.6) More rational human behavior?
 - (4.7) Study of social behavior in a systematic way – "Sociology"
 - (4.7.1) "Breaking down reality into hierarchically ordered levels of complexity"
- (5) Society and Social Institutions
 - (5.1) Social subsystems [organs], interacting to meet societal needs
 - (5.1.1) Economy
 - (5.1.2) Family
 - (5.1.3) Education
 - (5.1.4) Health
 - (5.1.5) Religion
 - (5.1.6) Political System
 - (5.2) Social Institution: something that was here before you were born, and will be here after you are gone
- (6) Comte and Societal Development
 - (6.1) Comte's approach; Positivism – knowing based on science
 - (6.1.1) Theological Stage (Beginning to 1350s)

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- (6.1.1.1) Society = spiritual, God's will
- (6.1.2) Metaphysical Stage (1350s to 1500s)
 - (6.1.2.1) Society = a natural phenomena (Hobbs)
 - (6.1.2.2) Society – the failings of a selfish man (Hobbs)
- (6.1.3) Scientific Stage (1500s to today)
 - (6.1.3.1) Copernicus, Galileo, Newton
- (7) Harriet Martineau 1802-1876
 - (7.1) Translated Comte's to English
 - (7.2) Introduced Sociology as a new dicipline to English speaking people
 - (7.3) Studied social behavior
- (8) Herbert Spencer 1820-1903
 - (8.1) Concept of evolution
 - (8.2) 1879 – Wrote first Sociology text book
 - (8.3) "Survival of the Fittest" – inequality is natural
 - (8.4) Promoted "Status Quo"
- (9) Talcott Parson 1902-1979
 - (9.1) Homeostasis
 - (9.2) Evolutionary Theory
 - (9.3) Three stages
 - (9.3.1) Primitive
 - (9.3.2) Intermediate
 - (9.3.3) Modern
- (10) Durkheim's Application
 - (10.1) Integration/Regulation
 - (10.2) Function; meet human needs
 - (10.3) Theorie
 - (10.3.1) Absence of Integration – Egoistic Suicide
 - (10.3.2) High Integration – Altruistic Suicide
 - (10.3.3) Absence of Regulation – Anomie
 - (10.3.4) High Regulation – Fatalistic
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