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Social science: the study of human behavior and social institutions.

Two traditions:

1. Behavioral: Focus on individual behavior and choices.

2. Institutional: Focus on the structure and rules that govern behavior.

The two traditions are often seen as separate, but they are interconnected. Understanding the assumptions underlying the research is crucial for interpreting the results correctly.
The first axiom of social structure is that social relationships are a result of social norms and expectations. These norms and expectations are learned through socialization processes, which include observation, imitation, and reinforcement.

The second axiom is that social structure is not static but is subject to change over time. Social structure is also dynamic, as social norms and expectations are constantly being renegotiated and redefined.

The third axiom is that social structure is not determined by individual actions, but rather by the interactions and relationships between individuals. Social structure is a product of the collective actions of individuals.

The fourth axiom is that social structure is not only the result of individual actions, but also the cause of those actions. Social structure shapes individual behavior, as well as being shaped by it.

The final axiom is that social structure is not just a collection of individuals, but a dynamic system of relationships and interactions. Social structure is a complex, interrelated network of relationships that shapes individuals and organizations.
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Levels of Analysis: Top-down and Bottom-up

International Relations and Power

With this broad theme in mind we turn to the subject of power. Power is the capacity to influence the actions of others. It is the ability to make things happen. Power is not just a concept, it is a reality. Power is not just a tool, it is a weapon. Power is not just a phenomenon, it is a force. Power is not just a fact, it is a fact of life. Power is not just a characteristic, it is a characteristic of all human beings. Power is not just a resource, it is a resource for all human beings. Power is not just a commodity, it is a commodity for all human beings. Power is not just a means, it is a means to an end. Power is not just an end, it is an end in itself. Power is not just a tool, it is a tool to be used.
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**Rules and Roles of Social Worlds**

The three layers of the level-of-analysis problem are set out:

- **Social Worlds**: These encompass broad cultural contexts and social structures. They are the highest level of analysis, where we consider how social norms, values, and institutions shape behavior.
- **Social Roles**: At this level, we focus on the specific roles individuals play within a social world. These roles are defined by the expectations and behaviors expected of the individual in that role.
- **Social Networks**: The lowest level of analysis, social networks consist of the specific relationships and interactions between individuals. These networks are the building blocks of social role played in social worlds.
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