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- Synonymous with sociology for many years, as the dominant paradigm.
- Focused on large-scale social structures and institutions of society, their interrelationships, and their constraining effects on actors.
- Roots in Anthropology: Bronisław, Malinowski, and Radcliffe-Brown
- Sociological version: Talcott Parsons and his student, Robert Merton.



# Talcott Parsons

