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# PARSONS AND SOCIAL STRUCTURE

- Parsons places **social structures** in a continuum beginning with the smallest to the largest: the role, the collectivity, the norm, and the value.
- While it's true that an individual personality may, in theory, be considered a system, self-examination does not have the same level of interaction found between two individuals.
- In order for two or more individuals to interact in a way that perpetuates a system, there must be shared **norms**.
- So how does this all work as a social system?



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