Unduplicated Empirical Theories of 2014

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Four hundred and forty six theories in play

1. Action assembly theory
2. Actor network theory
3. Actor partner interdependence model
4. Affect infusion model
5. Affective disposition theory
6. Affective information theory
7. Affective intelligence theory
8. Affective polarization theory
9. Affective transactive memory model
10. Agenda building theory
11. Agenda setting theory
12. Alcohol myopia theory
13. Analytical model of verbal and nonverbal parental communication

¹ Based on authors’ naming convention. Some duplicated content may have different names; some omitted names might not be connected to a theory designation.
14. Anger activism model
15. Anglo-American model of media and politics
16. Apologia theory
17. Appraisal theory
18. Appraisal theory of emotion
19. Arousal theory
20. Associative network model
21. Associative network theory
22. Attachment theory
23. Attractions similarity model
24. Attribution theory of motivation and emotion
25. Attributional model of helping
26. Auction theory
27. Audience channel model for gatekeeping theory
28. Authentication model
29. Autopoietic organization theory
30. Average leadership styles theory
31. Baxter’s dialectic theory
32. Behavioral finance theory
33. Behavioral theory of impulsiveness and impulse control
34. Benevolent perception model
35. Biographical certainty theory
36. Bottom-up model of television programming
37. Bourdieurian field theory
38. Broaden and build theory of positive emotions
39. Brun’s theory of produsage
40. Cardiac somatic coupling theory of attention
41. Catharsis theory
42. Cha-cha model (channel choices and choice response time)
43. Child developmental theory
44. Circumplex model of family systems
45. Circumplex theory of emotion
46. Citizen communication mediation model
47. Cognitive choice model
48. Cognitive dissonance theory
49. Cognitive emotional theory of self-esteem support messages
50. Cognitive evaluation theory
51. Cognitive load theory
52. Cognitive mediation model of learning
53. Cognitive network model
54. Communication adaptation theory
55. Communication centered theory of volunteer management
56. Communication mediation model
57. Communication privacy management theory
58. Communication theory of identity
59. Communicative constitution of organizations theory
60. Compassionate love theory
61. Comprehensive model of information seeking
62. Consistency theory
63. Construal level theory
64. Contemporary rhetorical theory
65. Contingency theory
66. Contingency theory of strategic conflict management
67. Core periphery model of international public relations
68. Corporatist model of the northern press
69. Co-rumination, stress, and burnout mediation models
70. Critical rational theory
71. Critical theory
72. Cultivation theory
73. Cultural hybridity theory
74. Cultural theory of risk
75. Cultural variability in communication model
76. Deception theory
77. Decision field theory
78. Deliberative learning model
79. Demand withdraw theory
80. Democratic corporatist model of media systems
81. Democratic theory
82. Developmental interactionist theory
83. Developmental model of volunteering
84. Dialectics theory
85. Dialogue theory
86. Differential gains model
87. Diffusion model of choice time
88. Directional theory of issue voting
89. Disclosure decision model
90. Discourse theory
91. Discursive construction of organizations theory
92. Discussion deliberative theory
93. Displacement theory of Internet use
94. Disposition content congruency hypothesis
95. Disposition theory of drama
96. Disposition theory of humor
97. Disposition theory of sports spectatorship
98. Distributive justice model
99. Domestication theory
100. Driving motivation theory
101. Dual process model of entertainment experience
102. Dual process model of persuasion
103. Dual process theory of information seeking and sharing
104. Dual process theory of supportive message outcome
105. Dyadic cyclical model of the everyday expressions of commitment
106. Dyadic power theory
107. Dynamic integration theory
108. Dynamic motivational activation theory
109. Dynamic system message processing model
110. Ecological model of voluntary
111. Ecological theory of conflict
112. Economic theory of democracy
113. Effective disposition theory
114. Ego depletion and strength model of self-control
115. Ego strength model
116. Elaboration likelihood model
117. Entertainment theory
118. ERG model of retweet networks
119. Ethical theory
120. Ethnic political violence model
121. Ethno-linguistic identity theory
122. Event stream model for analysis of web forum deliberation
123. Evolution theory
124. Evolutionary theories of entrepreneurship
125. Excellence theory
126. Excitation transfer theory
127. Exemplification theory
128. Expanded transactive memory theory
129. Expectancy valence learning model
130. Expectancy violations theory
131. Expressive citizenship model
132. Extended parallel process model
133. Extended theory of planned behavior
134. Family communication patterns theory
135. Feedback intervention theory
136. Fever model of disclosure
137. Fisch’s capacity model
138. Flow model of television programming
139. Focus theory of normative conduct
140. Four dimensional national culture model
141. Four factor theory of deception
142. Four flows model
143. Framing theory
144. Free market economic theory
145. Fulk’s model of social information processing
146. Functional theory of nonverbal communication
147. Functional theory of self-disclosure
148. Game theory
149. Gatekeeping theory
150. Gender schema theory
151. General aggression model
152. General learning model
153. Globalization theory
154. Goal pursuit theory
155. Gottman psycho-physiologic model of marital interaction
156. Grounded theory
157. Grounded theory of mediated impression management
158. Group dynamics theory
159. Guttmann’s facet theory
160. Habermas’s public sphere theory
161. Hayes process model
162. Health behavior theory
163. Health information acquisition model
164. Health information model
165. Hedonic affect regulation theory
166. Heuristic systematic model of information processing
167. Hewes model of group behavior
168. Homophily theory
169. Humor theory
170. Hypodermic needle theory
171. Information manipulation theory
172. Information processing theory
173. Information seek-cycle model
174. Inoculation theory
175. Input model of group discussion
176. Institutional theory on organizational norms
177. Integrated model of advice giving
178. Integrated model player experience
179. Integrated theory of enjoyment
180. Integrated threat theory
181. Integrative theory of communication and cross-cultural adaptation
182. Integrative theory of Intergroup conflict
183. Interaction adaptation theory
184. Interactional theory of depression
185. Interactivity effects model
186. Interdependence theory
187. Intergroup conflict theory
188. Intergroup contact theory
189. Interpersonal deception theory
190. Interpersonal process model of intimacy and marriage
191. Interpersonal sensitivity theory
192. Interpersonal theory of psychiatry
193. Inverted pyramid model
194. Investment model of satisfaction
195. Kasim’s model of self
196. Knowledge Theory
197. Language socialization theory
198. Latent group model
199. Leader member exchange theory
200. Learning theory
201. Liberal model of journalism
202. Lifespan theory
203. Limited capacity concurrent activity theory
204. Limited capacity model
205. Limited capacity model of motivated mediated message processing
206. Limited effects model
207. MAIN model (modality, agency, interactivity, and navigability) of site credibility
208. Marketing theory
209. Media diffusion theory
210. Media ecology and medium theory
211. Media effects model
212. Media richness theory
213. Media sexual socialization theory
214. Mediated moderation model
215. Mediation model
216. Message audience interaction model
217. Model of affective infusion
218. Model of communicative competence
219. Model of compassionate communication
220. Model of downward spirals of media influence
221. Model of health risk decision-making
222. Model of integrative communication patterns in mutual parent-child interactions
223. Model of intuitive morality and exemplars
224. Model of narrative comprehension and engagement
225. Model of new American journalism
226. Model of news selectivity
227. Model of online democratic communication
228. Model of parental patterns of cooperation
229. Model of photo messaging
230. Model of social emotional meta-appraisal
231. Models of media systems
232. Models of megaphoning and scouting effects
233. Models of work life conflict
234. Moderated mediation theory
235. Mood management theory
236. Moral development theory
237. Moral foundations theory
238. Moral mum effect theory
239. Motivated decision theory
240. Motivated information sharing theory
241. Motivated media processing theory
242. Motivational consumption model
243. Motivational model of emotion
244. Mueller speech theories
245. Multi-alternative decision field theory
246. Multiple goals theory of personal relationships
247. Multistep mediation model
248. Narrative paradigm theory
249. Narrative persuasion theory
250. Network agenda setting model
251. New selection theory
252. News framing theory
253. News transmission theory
254. News value theory
255. Normative theory
256. North Atlantic or liberal model of media and politics
257. Objectification theory
258. Online activism theory
259. Online processing model
260. Optimal distinctiveness theory
261. Organismic integration theory
262. Organizational branding theory
263. Organizational legitimacy theory
264. Organizational role theory
265. Organizational theory
266. Organization-employee relationship model
267. OSOR communication mediation model
268. O-S-R-O-R (orientation’s stimuli reasoning orientation’s responses) model
269. Outcome expectancy model
270. Participation models in status differentiated groups
271. PAST theory
272. Pathways model of volunteering
273. Perceived information gathering capacity
274. Persuasive arguments theory
275. PL model of deception
276. Polarized pluralist model of media systems
277. Politeness theory
278. Political engagement model
279. Political socialization theory
280. Political theory
281. Political theory of climate change
282. Predicted outcome value theory
283. Preoccupation model
284. Primary socialization theory
285. Problematic integration theory
286. Procedural justice theory
287. Process model for understanding BPT W participation (best places to work)
288. Process model of internal and external legitimacy
289. Process models a group discussion
Prominence interpretation theory

Prospect theory

Psycho evolutionary theory

Public sphere theory

Quality of life theory

Quasi-rational forecasting of risks model

Random effects relational event model

Rationalist models of workers moral decision-making

Reactance theory

Reciprocal determinism model of media influence

Reference group theory of humor

Regulatory focus theory

Reinforcement affect model of attraction

Reinforcement learning model

Reinforcing spirals model

Relational dialectics theory

Relational framing theory

Relational regulations theory

Relational theory of public relations

Relational turbulence model

Relationship management theory

Relevant channel beliefs theory

Risk information seeking and processing model
313. Risk matrix model
314. Role congruity theory
315. Role dynamic theory
316. Role exit theory
317. Role making model of leadership
318. Role transitions theory
319. Scouting model of entrepreneurship
320. Selective exposure theory
321. Self-categorization theory
322. Self-criticism and self-enhancement theory
323. Self-determination theory
324. Self-determination theory
325. Self-expansion model
326. Self-perception theory
327. Semantic theory
328. Sensemaking intuition model
329. Sensemaking resource model
330. Sensitive interactions systems theory
331. Serial argument process model
332. Sexual stigma theory
333. Shared reality theory
334. Situational crisis communication theory
335. Situational theory of problem-solving
336. Skills training protocol
337. Social categorization theory
338. Social cognitive theory
339. Social cognitive theory of Internet uses and gratifications
340. Social cognitive theory of self-regulation
341. Social comparison process theory
342. Social comparison theory
343. Social emotional selectivity theory
344. Social entrepreneurship
345. Social exchange theory
346. Social identity model of deindividuation
347. Social identity theory
348. Social identity theory
349. Social information processing theory
350. Social mediated crisis communication model
351. Social norms focus theory
352. Social presence theory
353. Social representation theory
354. Social role theory of sex differences and similarities
355. Socialization model for volunteers
356. Society theory of organizations
357. Socio-egocentric theory
358. Sociological theory of performance and imagination
359. Sonnenschein’s model
360. Spatial theory of loading
361. Spiral of silence theory
362. Spreading activation theory of semantic processing
363. Strategic legitimacy theory
364. Strength choice model
365. Structural affect theory of stories
366. Structural model of news consumption
367. Structural theory of foreign news
368. Structurating activity theory
369. Structuration theory
370. Symbolic interactionism theory
371. Symmetrical communication model
372. Technology acceptance model
373. Tension centered model of resistance
374. The triangular theory of communication and relationships of in-laws
375. Theories of eudaimonic motivations for media use
376. Theories of eudaimonic well-being
377. Theories of story effect mechanisms
378. Theories of story selection
379. Theory of agenda melding
380. Theory of autopoiesis
381. Theory of conversationally induced reappraisals
382. Theory of cross-cultural adaptation
383. Theory of dialogism
384. Theory of disinhibition
385. Theory of enjoyable alterations of players self-perception
386. Theory of entertainment persuasion
387. Theory of framing and opinion formation
388. Theory of identification in fictional narrative
389. Theory of Information Behavior
390. Theory of key events
391. Theory of leadership effectiveness
392. Theory of media affordances
393. Theory of mediated impression management
394. Theory of mood management
395. Theory of motivated cognition
396. Theory of motivated information management
397. Theory of motivated information management for interpersonal exchanges
398. Theory of motivated reasoning
399. Theory of narrative persuasion
400. Theory of network gatekeeping
401. Theory of normative social behavior
402. Theory of objectivity in journalism
403. Theory of optimal matching
404. Theory of personalization of appearance
405. Theory of planned behavior
406. Theory of political campaign media connectedness
407. Theory of pornography
408. Theory of power relationships in marriage
409. Theory of press-state relations
410. Theory of problematic Internet use and psychosocial well-being
411. Theory of psychological reactance
412. Theory of reasoned action
413. Theory of reception
414. Theory of relational power
415. Theory of selective exposure
416. Theory of self-concept maintenance
417. Theory of self-regulation
418. Theory of social comparison processes
419. Theory of social relations
420. Theory of social systems
421. Third person affect
422. Third sector theory
423. Three level drug communication model
424. Three-level model of anxiety
425. Transacted model of attitude accessibility
426. Transactive memory theory
427. Transmission model of socialization
428. Transportation imagery model of narrative persuasion
429. Transportation theory
430. Tripartite model of selfhood
431. Truth default theory
432. Two-step flow theory
433. Uncertainty in illness theory
434. Uncertainty management theory
435. Uncertainty reduction theory
436. Unified theory of behavioral change
437. Unified theory of the structure of human behavior
438. Uses and gratifications theory
439. Ventriloquism
440. Virtue theory
441. Vocational anticipatory socialization theory
442. Volunteer management theory
443. Wieck’s theory of organizing
444. World polity theory
445. Wrights theory of pornography
446. Zero-sum theory