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Basic thoughts on housing theory

In a 2018 article, I argued that an attempt to create a grand theory of everything in housing is not very fruitful, nor possible. Housing is not one research topic but a common denominator of various research topics linked to the houses and apartments and residential environments in which people live their everyday lives. Rather than to try theorize housing per se we should theorize housing-related topics. Different topics need different kind of theorizing.

In my view, the right kind of theory is middle-range, analytical and mechanism-theoretical. In the lecture, I present some examples of what this would mean.

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Embodying struggle: navigating the tensioned margin of home(lessness) from below and within

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