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**Editor-in-Chief**

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Dear Editor,

I am pleased to submit the manuscript “Social Spacetime” for consideration for publication in *Sociological Theory*.

This paper introduces a foundational theoretical framework that conceptualizes social life as a continuous, structured field in which social objects—such as individuals, resources, and contagions—exist, move, and interact. Social motion within this field is governed by a small set of laws that generate curvature, shaping and constraining trajectories across social contexts. Rather than modeling

outcomes or interactions, the framework provides a geometric description of structural constraint that is logically prior to empirical measurement, networks, or individual-level mechanisms.

The framework also integrates the id, ego, and superego as embedded structural orientations rather than as psychological causes. This allows survival pressures, social influence, moral constraint, and institutional structure to be treated within a unified field, without reducing social dynamics to linear causality or individual choice.

The manuscript is explicitly theoretical and does not include empirical data, case studies, or policy prescriptions. Its purpose is to develop a conceptual language for understanding stability, collapse, and large-scale reorganization across social systems, while remaining compatible with future empirical or computational work.

I believe *Sociological Theory* is an appropriate venue for this manuscript given the journal's emphasis on conceptual innovation and rigorous theoretical development. The manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. I have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would welcome the opportunity to revise the manuscript in response to reviewer feedback.

Sincerely,

**Dan Perceval**