

Leopold Szondi

° *Nitra 1896*

+ *Zurich 1983*



L. Szondi

Schicksalsanalyse

Fate Analysis



Biography

- Lipot Szondi (°Nitra 1893 + Zurich 1986)
- 1898 family moving to Budapest
- 1911 medical studies
- 1914 - 1918 military service
 - reading Freud's *Traumdeutung*

Biography

- Psychoanalysis: Imre Hermann
 - Univ. polyclinic Neurology & Psychiatry
 - Ranschburg's Lab for Exper. Psychology
 - School of Orthopedagogy
 - 1927 Ph.D.
 - Research in genetics (1930 -)
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Biography

- Genotropism (genetic affinity for partners)
 - 1937 *Analysis of marriages*
 - Development of the Szondi-test
 - 1941 deportation to Bergen-Belsen
 - 1944 Rescued w. family to Switzerland
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Publications

- - 1944: *Schicksalsanalyse*
 - Analysis of fate (destiny)
- - 1947: *Lehrbuch der experimentellen Triebdiagnostik (1968, 1972)*
 - Textbook of experim. Drive Diagnosis
- 1952: *Triebpathologie*
 - Drive Pathology

Publications

- - 1956: *Ichanalyse*
 - Ego Analysis
- - 1960: *Lehrbuch exp. TD*
 - (new revised edition)
- - 1963: *Schicksalsanalytische Therapie*
 - Fate analytical Therapy

Publications

- - 1968: *Freiheit u. Zwang im Schicksal des Einzelnen*
 - Freedom and compulsion in the individuals fate

Publications

- - 1969: *Kain, Gestalten des Bösen*
 - *Cain, Gestalts (Forms) of Evil*
- - 1973: *Moses, Antwort auf Kain*
 - *Moses, Answer to Cain*
- - 1980: *Die Triebvermischten*
 - *The (instinctual) defused*



Developments

- School of Fate Analysis
- International Szondi Association (ISA)
- Journal (*Szondiana*)
- Intl. Colloquia (next: XIXth, Nice ,F , 2008)



Developments

- Academic criticism (on genotropism, test construction , a.o.)
 - led to quick rejection of Szondi
 - Continuation in Szondi circles (Szondi-institut) Zürich
 - Switzerland (+A. Beeli, F. Studer, Ph. Seidel, F. Jüttner, I. Graemiger, H.J. Ringger e.a.)
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Developments

- France (R. Stora, groups in Dijon, Univ. Nice, Lille)
 - Netherlands (Karel Van de Loo, Rita Vuyck)
 - Germany (+Werner Huth)
 - USA (+Susan Deri, D. Blumer (Memphis))
 - Belgium (+Jacques Schotte, Jean Mélon, Philippe Lekeuche, +Jean-Marc Poellaer, CEP)
 - Finland: +Jaakko Borg
 - Portugal, Hungary, Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Poland, Japan, Brasil, San Domingo
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Developments

- 1949 Susan Deri : *Introduction to the Szonditest* (Grune and Stratton, USA, 1949)
- 1963 + Jacques Schotte (B) :
 - *Notice pour introduire le problème structural de l'analyse du destin*
 - Introductory notice to the structural problem of fate analysis (patho-analysis)
- 1980 Jacques Schotte : *Szondi avec Freud*
 - *toward an autologic (Kronfeld) anthropopsychiatry*

Developments

- 1975 Jean Mélon : *Théorie et Pratique du Szondi*
 - *Theory and practice of Szondi*
 - 1978 +Michel Legrand : *Léopold Szondi, son test, sa doctrine, éd. Mardaga, Brussels*
 - *L. Szondi, his test, his theory*
 - the Cahiers des Archives Szondi
 - 1982 Mélon and Lekeuche : *Dialectique des pulsions* (1990)
 - Drive dialectics
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Developments

- Centre d'Etudes Pathoanalytiques
 - the Cahiers du CEP
 - Colloquia : Contact vector, Sexual vector, Paroxysmal vector, the Person (Ego vector), a.o.
 - WWW
 - Szondi Forum <<http://szondiforum.org>>
 - CEP <<http://home.scarlet.be/cep>>
 - Protocol sheets in MS-Excel
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Theory

- What is “Fate”?
- Biogenetic views & psychoanalysis -> Fate
- Fate as Choice (*Wahl ist Schicksal*)
- Genetically fixed drive structure
- System derived from 8 pathological entities
 - from pathological classes to existential categories

Theory

- System derived from 8 pathological entities :
- **h**ermaphroditism (bisexuality), **s**adomasochism
- **e**pilepsy, **h**ysteria
- **k**atatonie, **p**aranoia
- **d**epression and **m**ania
- 8 factors : h-s * e-hy * k-p * d-m
- 4 vectors : **S**exual * **P**aroxysmal * **Sch** (Ego) * **C**ontact
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Theory

- Biogenetic hypothesis
 - Hereditary circles of psychic and other disorders
 - Genetic- and twin research (1939)
 - Bi-allelic monomeric heredity (AA, Aa, aa)
 - Genotropism - heterosis
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Theory

- Choices
 - in love (libidotropism)]
 - in profession (operotropism)]
 - in socialisation (sociotropism)]
 - Conductors
 - Forms (Erscheinungsformen)]
 - physiologische (physiological)
 - kranke (morbid)]
 - Triebkrankheiten (illnesses)]
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Theory

- 3 phenomenological ways of expression:
 - the extremely negative : disease
 - the physiological
 - and the extremely positive : socialisation / sublimation
 - Freud : "from heaven, over the earth to hell"
 - Genetic triad :
 - AA
 - Aa (Conductor)]
 - aa (morbid expression)]
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Theory

- Drive system as a structure derived from :
 - endogenous psychoses:
 - Schizophrenia
 - Cyclic psychoses (Manic-Depressive Psychosis)
 - Polarity principle derived from cyclicity & conflict
 - psychoanalytical clinic
 - Perversions (Freud, Hirschfeld, Kraft-Ebing)
 - Neuroses (Freud, hysteria - epilepsy)



Categories and drives

- Eros and Thanatos (h and s)
 - Ethos and Morality (e and hy)
 - To Have and to Be (k and p)
 - Attach/Lose and Cling on/Search (m and d)
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Drive - Need - Tendency

- 4 Drives
- 2 Needs per drive
- 2 Tendencies per need (sympathy-antipathy)



S

- h-need : I. Femininity
 - personal sensual tenderness
 - humanised tenderness
- s-need : II. Masculinity
 - aggression
 - sacrifice



P

- e-need : III. Ethics (Cain)
 - hostility, pressure of rough emotions
 - kindness, justice
- hy-need : IV. Morality (Abel)
 - exhibition
 - shame



Sch

- k-need : V. Ego-systole
 - autism and egoism
 - adaptation
- p-need : VI. Ego-diastole
 - inflation and grandeur
 - spiritual fusion with community



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- d-need : VII. Acquire
 - values at the cost of others
 - forsake values at the benefit of others
- m-need : VIII. Grasp, hold
 - grasping the object
 - letting (losing) the object



The test

- Heterogeneous series of photographs
 - Choice problems
 - Sympathy and antipathy
 - Photographs of mental patients as detectors
 - 6 (I to VI) series
 - 8 (h, s, e, hy, k, p, d and m) per series
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6 X 8



Test procedure

- Choose 6 times the 2 most sympathetic and 2 most antipathetic photographs
 - Foreground Profile (VGP)
 - Repeat 6 times with 4 left photographs
 - Empirical (K) complementary Profile (EKP)
 - Calculated
 - Theoretical (K) complementary Profile (TKP)
 - 1 protocole = 10 profiles (interval ≥ 24 hrs)
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Translation table

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3	+	+	\pm	\pm			
4	+!	+!	$\pm,$				
5	+!!	+!!					
6	+!!!						

example of VGP - Protocole

naam : Barbara

MVF: f

leeftijd : 40

Date	Nr.	S		P		Sch		C		S	S	S
		h	s	e	hy	k	p	d	m			
24-Mar-95	1	+	+	-	-	-	o	-	±!	1	0	1
27-Mar-95	2	+	+	o	-!	-	+	o	±	2	1	3
30-Mar-95	3	+	-	-	-	-	o	o	+	2	0	2
31-Mar-95	4	+	-	o	-!	-	o	o	±	3	1	4
3-Apr-95	5	+	-	o	-	-	o	o	±	3	1	4
5-Apr-95	6	+	-	±	-	-	+	o	±	1	2	3
10-Apr-95	7	+	±!	o	-	±	+	o	±	2	2	4
11-Apr-95	8	+	±	o	-	-!	+	o	±	2	2	4
14-Apr-95	9	+	-	o	-	-	+	o	+	2	0	2
18-Apr-95	10	+	-	o	-	-	+	o	±!	2	0	2
Sum 0		0	0	7	0	0	4	9	0	20	S 0/± : 1,7	
Sum ±		0	2	1	0	1	0	0	8		12	-
Tend Sp.Gr.		0	2	8	0	1	4	9	8		40%	32
Quant Sp.Gr.		2	1	0	2	1	0	0	4	S ! : 10		
Var. l.:		0	3	5	0	2	3	1	4	25% (nl. 20-309)		
D/M : 0,68		9	4	0	12	11	0	14	0	34	16	58%
Soc+:		7	6	1	11	0	11	0	14	8	42	16%

correlation
profile/average

Triebformel

e08 d09 m±8

p+4

h+0 s-2 hy-0 k-1

e d m

h s hy k

Latenzproportionen

S h +2: P hy-8: Schk -3: C m +1

Triebgefahr