Lecture notes – 11-2

* Functionalism
  + Socialization of children
  + Socioemotional maintenance: provision of acceptance and support.
* Families provide for children/succession.
* They regulate sexual activity: marriage/dating and other norms.
* Once were a function of economics and production, now of consumption.
* Conflict Theory
  + Women are kept in a dependent and submissive role by men.
  + Attempts by women to gain control are met with resistance.
* Symbolic Interactionism
  + Relationships within the family are constantly evolving: newly married people constantly testing roles, especially when children are introduced.