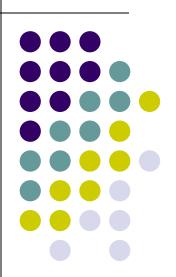
# THEORIES OF URBAN STRUCTURE

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• URBAN STRUCTURE REFERS TO THE LAY OUT, PHYSICAL PLAN OF A CITY OR TOWN- ITS PATTERN OF STREETS, BUILDING BLOCKS, INDIVIDUAL BUILDINGS, THEIR DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS, DENSITIES ETC.

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BURGESS CONCENTRIC ZONE THEORY

• SECTOR THEORY OF HOYT

• MULTIPLE NUCLEI THEORY OF HARRIS AND ULLMAN

### BURGESS CONCENTRIC ZONE THEORY



• THE CONCENTRIC ZONE THEORY WAS PUT FORWARD IN 1925 BY E.W. BURGESS, AN URBAN SOCIOLOGIST

• THE THEORY WAS BASED ON THE STUDY OF CHICAGO

## MAIN ASSUMPTIONS OF THE THEORY



- THE GROWTH OF A CITY TAKES PLACE OUTWARDS FROM ITS CENTRAL AREA TO FORM A SERIES OF CONCENTRIC ZONES
- THE CITY HAS A SINGLE CENTRE- THE MAIN CENTRE FOR EMPLOYMENT, WHERE THE SPACE IS LIMITED AND LAND VALUES ARE HIGHEST
- THE POPULATION IS HETEROGENEOUS CULTURALLY AND SOCIALLY



• COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES DOMINATED THE ECONOMY OF THE CITY

- EXPANDING AREA AND POPULATION OF THE CITY
- TRANSPORTATION IS EQUALLY EASY, RAPID AND CHEAP IN EVERY DIRECTION WITHIN THE CITY
- NO CONCENTRATIONS OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

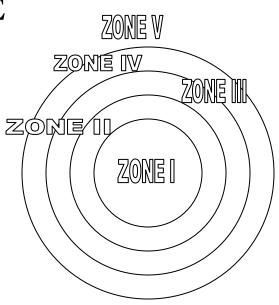
### DIFFERENT ZONES IN CONCENTRIC THEORY



- ZONE I CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
- ZONE II- ZONE IN TRANSITION
- ZONE III- ZONE OF INDEPENDENT

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- ZONE IV- ZONE OF BETTER RESIDENCES
- ZONE V- COMMUTER ZONE



#### **LIMITATIONS**



- THIS MODEL LACKS UNIVERSALITY
- CITY RARELY FORMS A CONTINUOUS CONCENTRIC ZONE AND THE CONCENTRIC ZONES ARE DISTORTED BY MAJOR TRANSPORT AXES AND TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES
- NO REFERENCE HAS BEEN MADE TO THE SITING OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

#### SECTOR THEORY OF HOMER HOYT



- THE THEORY WAS PUT FORWARD IN 1939
- THE CITY GROWS IN SECTORS OR WEDGES RADIATING OUTWARDS FROM THE CBD ALONG MAJOR TRANSPORTATION ROUTES
- CBD IS LOCATED IN THE CENTRE
- WHOLE SALE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES ARE LOCATED CLOSE TO THE CBD



- THE LOW INCOME GROUPS OCCUPY THE AREA CLOSEST TO THE CBD
- THE MIDDLE INCOME GROUP ACT AS A BUFFER AND OCCUPY THE AREA BETWEEN LOWER AND HIGHER INCOME GROUP
- THE HIGHER INCOME GROUP MOVE TO THE PERIPHERY OF THE CITY

### MULTIPLE NUCLEI THEORY



- THE THEORY WAS PUT FORWARD IN 1945 BY C.D. HARRIS AND E.L. ULLMAN
- LAND USE PATTERN IS BUILT UP AROUND SEVERAL GROWTH POINTS OR NUCLEI
- THE NUCLEIS EITHER EXISTS BEFORE OR DEVELOPS AS THE CITY GROWS
- THE CITY HAS A CELLULAR STRUCTURE
- THE FOLLOWING ZONES ARE PROPOSED BY THE THEORY:-



- 1. CBD
- 2.WHOLESALE LIGHT MANUFACTURING
- 3. LOW-INCOME RESIDENTIAL
- 4. MIDDLE-INCOME RESIDENTIAL
- 5. HIGH-INCOME RESIDENTIAL
- 6. HEAVY MANUFACTURING
- 7. OUTLYING BUSINESS DISTRICT
- 8. RESIDENTIAL SUBURB
- 9. INDUSTRIAL SUBURB