3. Presentation of negative stimuli

- Avoid or escape negative stimuli
- Terminating or alleviating the source of it
- Seeking revenge against the source of it

Factors that predispose delinquency

- Failure of non-delinquent strategies
- Chronic strains lowers the threshold for tolerance of adversity
- Repeated or chronic strain can lead to hostile attitude
- Chronic strain increases likelihood of negative arousal

Conclusions

- The nature of society causes crime due to anomie and strain
- Emphasis on monetary success and changes in society cause anomie
- Strain is caused by the gap between cultural goals and institutionalised means
- Different modes of adaptation to resolve strain
- Strain can also be caused by everyday short-term goals