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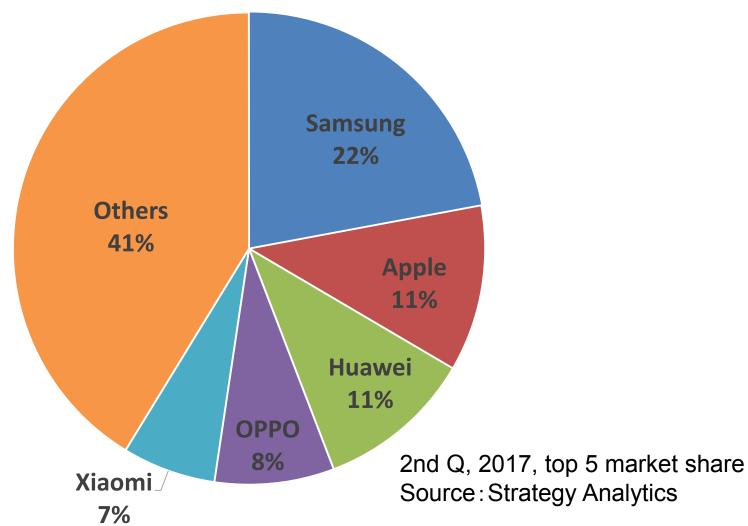
## **Innovation Triangle**

Factors that bring evolution to both corporations and consumers —

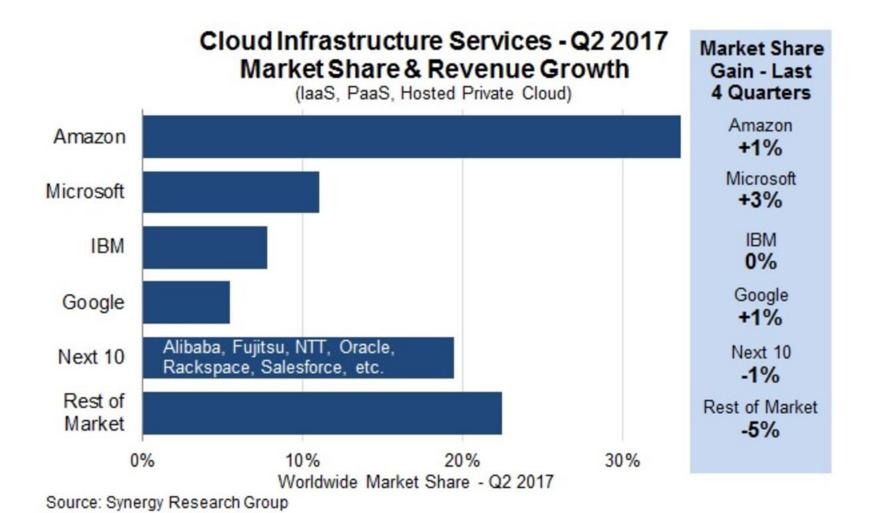
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### 2017 Mobile Phone Worldwide Share



#### Cloud-base Web Service Market Share



## 4 Types of Game Changers

**Existing products and services** 

New products and services

**Existing profit** 

#### **Reforming of the process**

Re-evaluate existing value chains

- 7-11's Seven Cafe
- "Oreno" restaurant concept
- OB House

#### New market creation model

**Embody new values that clients** haven't thought about before

- JINS PC
- Aoyama Flower Market
- Toshin High School

New profit generating

#### System destruction model

Disable existing profit generating model

- Smartphone based games
- LINE free phone calls
- Uber
- AWS

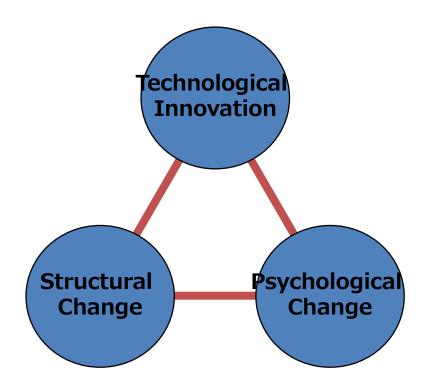
#### New biz creation model

Create new business model

- Kakaku.com
- Times (coin-operated parking)
- airCloset

Source: "Game Changer's Competition Strategies" p.31

## Innovation Triangle



3 drivers that bring innovation in business

## What Are Disruptive Technologies?

- HBS professor Clayton Christensen's concept
- Incumbent technology increases products' capabilities = Sustaining technology
- On the other hand, disruptive technology may have an effect of lowering products' capabilities in a short term
- Typically, disruptive innovation is technologically simple, uses existing products' parts, and architecture is often simpler than incumbent coutnerparts.
- Ironically, excellent business operation is a primary reason why market leader loses its position

Source: "Innovator's Dilemma" by Clayton Christensen

### Examples of Technological Innovation

#### IT

- AI, IoT, VR/AR, Big Data, RFID
- Mobile settlement, Cryptocurrency

#### **Latest Technologies**

Self-driving cars, Drones, Robots

#### Life Science

iPS cells, DNA analysis

These are within people's imagination and everybody is watching

## Structural Change in Japan

#### **Population Dynamics**

- Change in family structure
- Elderlies' & unmarrieds' needs
- Utilization of seniors
- Mismatch of housing

#### **Industrial structure**

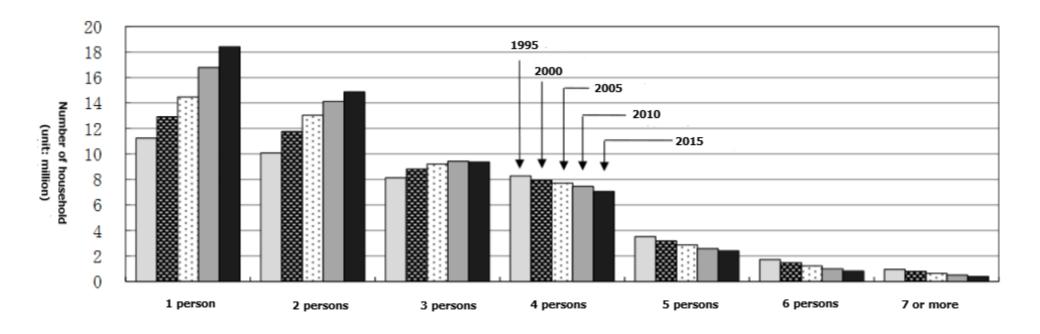
- Development of mobile equipment
- Courier service infrastructure
- Labor force shortage

#### **Globalization**

40 Million overseas visitors per year

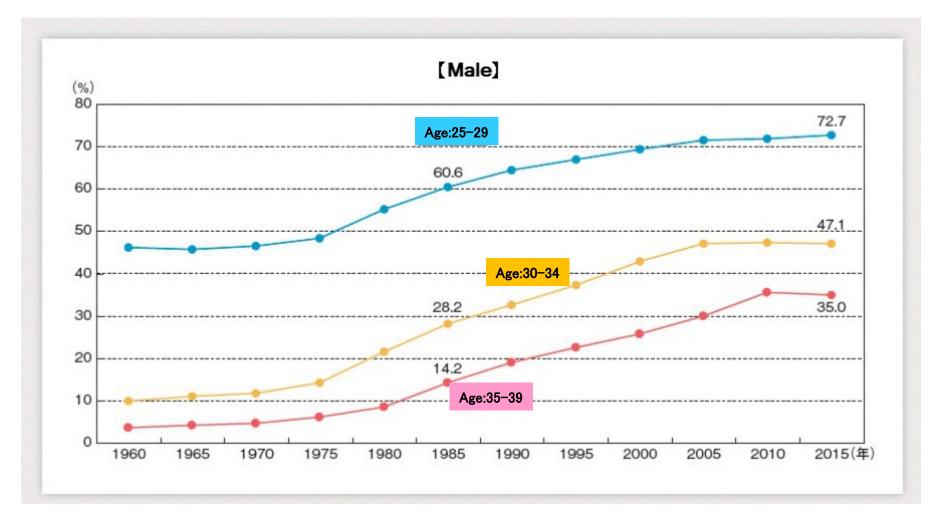
# Structural Change - Happening Right Now in Japan

Household size change in Japan (1995 -2015)



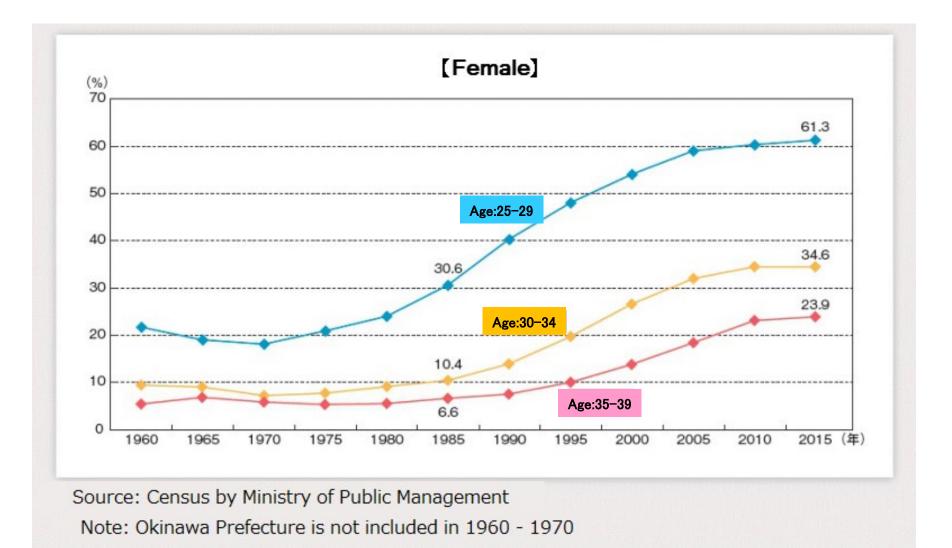
Source: 2015 Population Census report by Ministry of Public Management

## Male in early 30s: 1 in 2 unmarried Male in late 30s: 1 in 3 still unmarried



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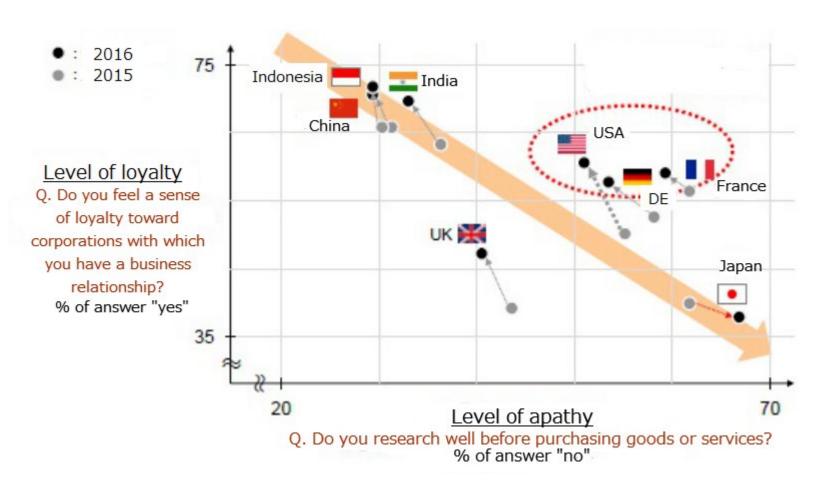
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# Psychological Change in Consumption Behaviors

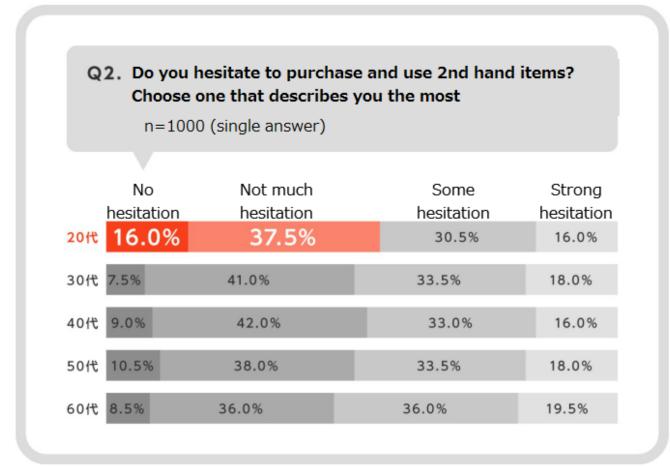
- Apathetic consumers
- Inclination toward safety
- Eco-Environmental interest
  - Bicycle commuting
  - Success of "I-LOHAS" bottled water
- Ownership to nownership
  - Mercari, Car sharing...

### Japanese Consumers Are Becoming More Apathetic



Source: Accenture "Global Consumer Research 2015 vs 2016"

# Increasing Number of Consumers Are Willing to Buy 2nd-hand Items



More than half of Flea market app users answer "Checking flea market apps for price before purchasing new items" (54.6%), "Handling own possessions gently to retain higher resale value" (53.2%)

Source: Mercari consumer research 4/6/2018

## Psychological changes in corporate activities

- Revenue to profit · growth to sustained existence
- Client · employees to stakeholders
- In-house to outsourcing
- Workers' fluidity · globalization
- Risk aversion
  - BCP (Business Continuity Planning)
  - Crisis/Scandal management

### Phrases Innovators Face

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"That's impossible"
"That way doesn't work here"
"Changing that much is too much"
"We've tried something similar but it didn't
work"
"If it were so easy..."
"When you have more experience, you will
understand"
                             - Joel A. Barker
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Let us not utter such words

## **Innovation Triangle - Conclusion**

- Traditional rules of game will not work
- Come up with your own winning pattern
  - Innovate as needed
- Don't overlook game changing drivers
  - Pay more attention to structural changes and psychological changes than technological innovation