

Chapter 5

Analyzing the marketing environment



A couple of things

- Group project teams
 - Deadline to form teams is this week
- Deadline to request alternative to research studies
- Project idea



Review

- Mission statement (organization's "purpose") drives your marketing strategy.
- Marketing tactics (HOW you execute) = your MARKETING MIX (4P's)
 - Product
 - Price
 - Promo
 - Placement

Yes, a great **PRODUCT** is vitally important to running a great business... but **PRICE** sensitivity by your customers, for example, may drive certain decisions about how you optimize your **PRODUCT**. So the 4P's should be considered **as whole**

Digital Marketing – an increasingly important component of your marketing mix

Ethics - Ethical decisions are not always black and white



Today

- Outline how the company, competitors, and corporate partners affect marketing strategy
- Explain why marketers must consider their macroenvironment when they make decisions
- Describe the differences among the various generational cohorts
- Identify various social trends that affect marketing

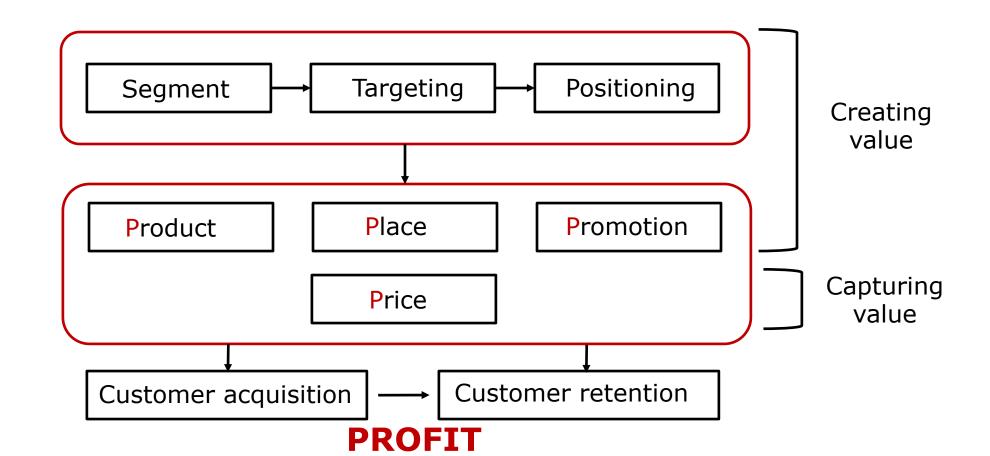


Netflix evolution over time

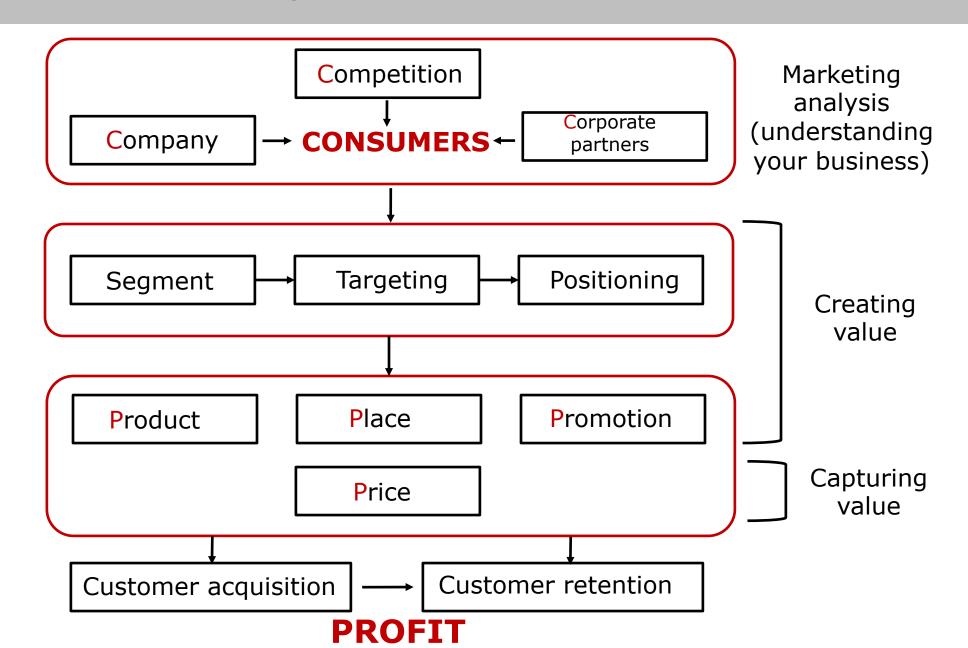
Netflix revolutionized how we watch movies and TV shows











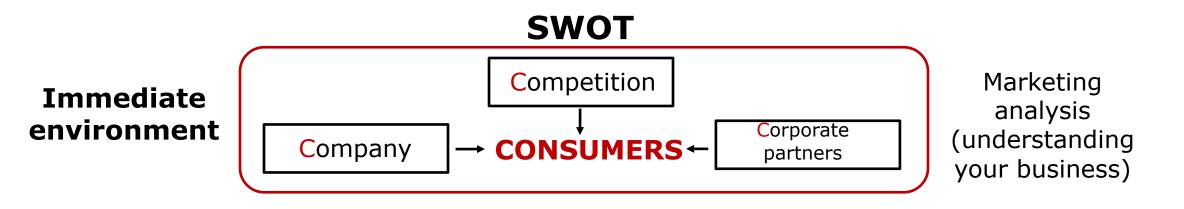






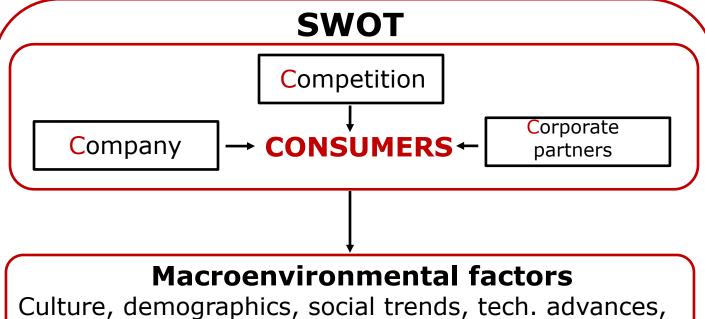
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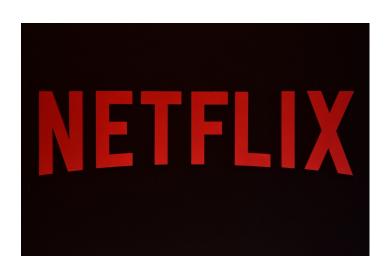
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- Figure out how to keep consumers engaged with your brand (loyalty)
- Coca Cola Super Bowl Ad example
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=gvp28D6m7iQ



Corporate Partners

- Firms are part of alliances
- Align with competitors, suppliers, etc.
- For example: have you partnered with the right firms for effective management of your logistics systems??
 - E.g., have the right stock -- more about this in chapters 15-16





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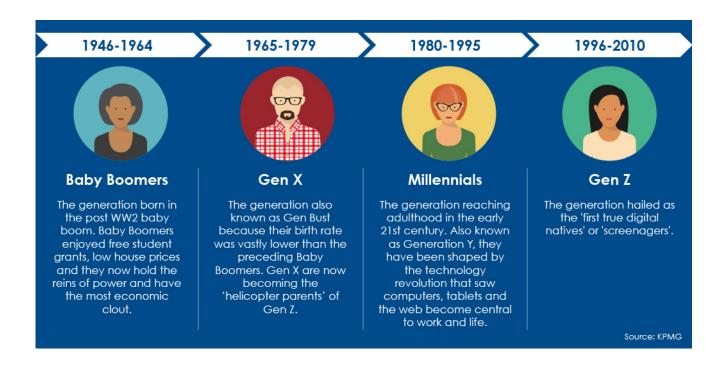
Can Emerging Markets Tilt Global Product Design? Impacts of Chinese Colorism on Hollywood Castings

We investigate whether the economic rise of emerging markets may have begun to impact the typical "one-size-fits-all" design of many international product categories. Focusing on Hollywood films, and exploiting a recent relaxation of China's foreign film importation policy, we provide evidence suggesting that these impacts may exist and be non-negligible. In particular, we show that the Chinese society's aesthetic preference for lighter skin can be linked to the more frequent casting of pale-skinned stars in films targeting the Chinese market. Implications for the design of international products are drawn.



Macroenvironmental factors: Demographics

Provides an easily understood snapshot of the typical consumer in a specific target market



How do these generations differ?



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Greener consumers

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McDonald - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-c-OTfRgJtY



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Macroenvironmental factors: Social trends

Consumers are becoming concerned about how firms use their data

 Firms are making a lot of effort to be as transparent as possible about data usage, e.g., Facebook

Privacy concerns



Macroenvironmental factors: Technological Advances



Technology has impacted every aspect of marketing

- New products
- New forms of communication
- New retail channels



Macroenvironmental factors: Economics

Foreign currency fluctuations





Combined with inflation and interest rates affect firms' ability to market goods and services



Macroenvironmental factors: Policy and Regulations

Competitive practice and trade legislation

Lately we have seen many companies being targeted by policymakers

- Airbnb
- Uber

Recap

Marketing analysis

- Immediate environment
 - Company, Competitors, and Corporate partners
- Affected by key macroenvironmental factors
 - Culture, demographics, social issues, technological advances, economic situation, and political/regulatory environment

Some social trends shaping consumer values and shopping behavior

Health, Green, Privacy



Question

1. What are the components of the immediate environment?

2. Name three macroenvironmental factors