

# Market Analysis

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# **Executive Summary**

- 1. Selecting a successful product
- 2. Defining the **market**
- **3. Market analysis**: leveraging primary and secondary research to quantify value addition
- **4. Due diligence**: market and industry, path to mass production, substitutes, barriers to entry



## **Successful Product**

#### **PRODUCT**

- Proprietary (Jack Daniels vs. whiskey)
- **Substitutes** (coke vs. sequencers)
- **IP** (patent)
- Us vs. them (Tesla vs. Ford)
- Can be re-used widely (wheel)
- Improve user experience (heated car seats)

#### **MARKET**

- **Size** (vanilla vs. garlic icecream)
- **Growth** (iTunes vs. CDs)
- **Segment** (beer vs. cognac drinkers)
- Competition (space stations vs. mobile phones)
- Barriers to entry (FDA)
- **Industry** (high tech vs. woodwork)
- Drivers (technology vs. rare disease)



## **Successful Product**

#### **CUSTOMERS**

- Who (researcher? clinician?)
- Need (analytical assay vs. diagnostic tool?)
- Want (convenience? price?)
- Now vs. future (tattoos)
- Reach them (ads, shows, conferences, papers...)
- Keep them (customer service, improvements, consumables, barriers to move)

#### **OTHER**

- Costs to launch (R&D, regulations, infrastructure, marketing...)
- ... vs. abilities (grant vs. cost)
- Profit (luxury car vs. pen)
- Infrastructure? (lab space? machinery?)
- Management? (researchers vs. MBAs?)
- **Suppliers**? (uranium vs. NaCl)
- Channels? (CVS vs. hospitals only)



# **Product: SWOT analysis**

Device, technology, piece of software etc. E.g. medical device

#### **STRENGTHS**

Margins
Access to incubators/innovation
Hard to replicate
New/best in class

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

Superconsumers (informationhungry) Mobile device compatible Fads

#### **WEAKNESSES**

Regulatory structure (FDA)
Costs
Customer pushback
Price

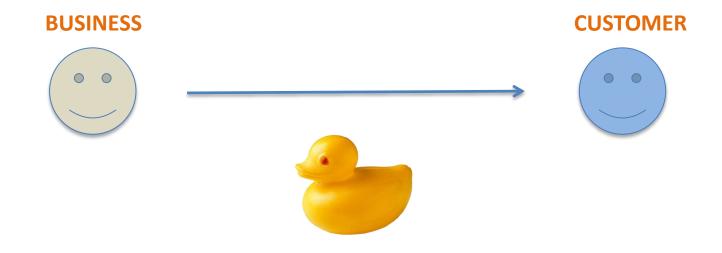
#### **THREATS**

Device tax (may be removed)
Tough to get funding
Healthcare reform puts admins in charge (costs)



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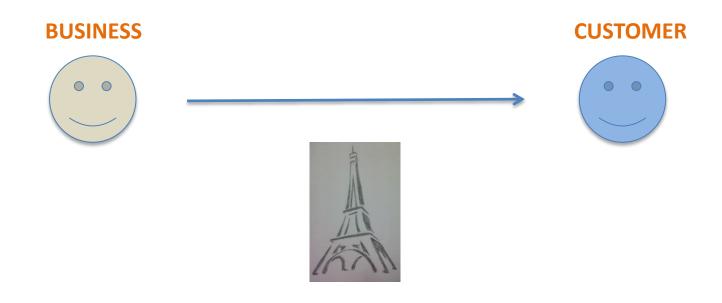
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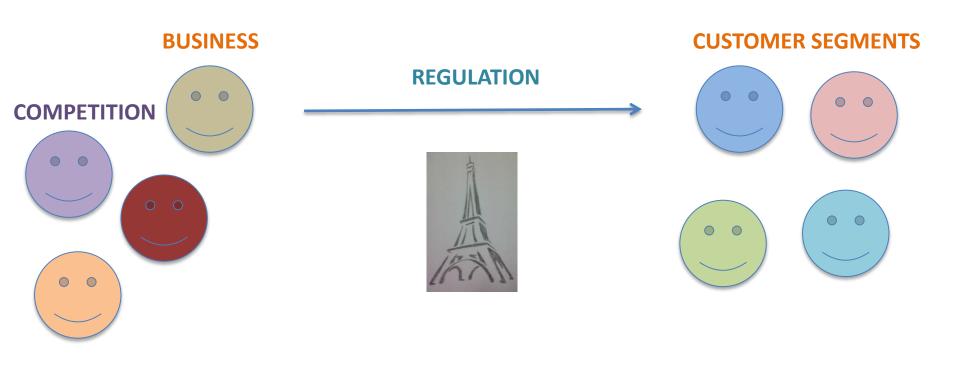
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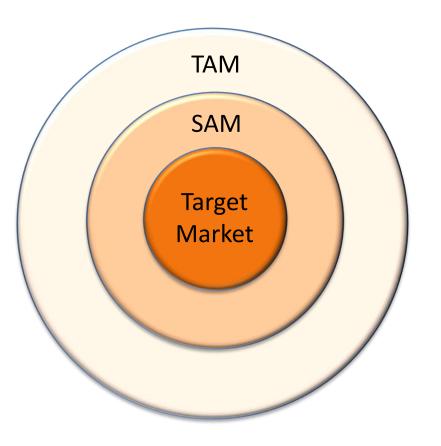




# **Estimating Market Size**

- Quantifies the financial potential of your business
- Helps you refine business model hypotheses:
  - Very small market size may not be worth pursuing
  - May be difficult to gain traction in a gigantic market
- Two measurements:
  - Money (usually USD)
  - Units
    - People
    - Consumption (e.g. washloads, room nights, kilowatt hours, etc.)





#### <u>Total Addressable Market</u> (TAM):

Value of all of the buyer/seller relationships participating in the market

## <u>Served Addressable Market (SAM):</u>

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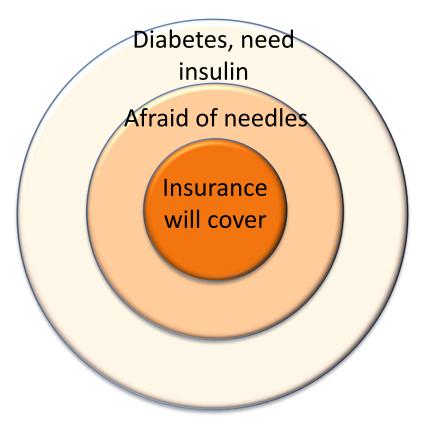
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#### **PRODUCT: Oral insulin formulation**



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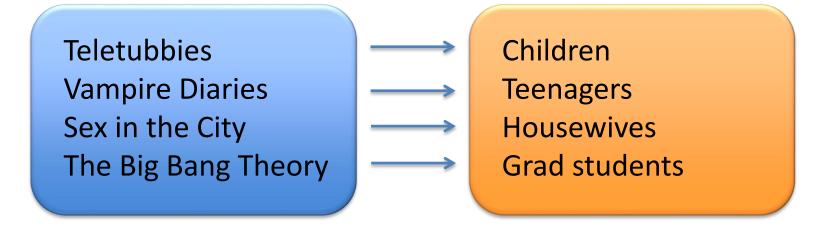
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# **Identify Market Niche (Market Segmentation)**

- 1. Key to understanding target market size and needs, as well as product fit.
- 2. Help identify point of entry.





## **Market Valuation**

Good overview: http://www.lek.com/sites/default/files/Volume\_IV\_Issue\_2.pdf



Number

Penetration

Volume and value

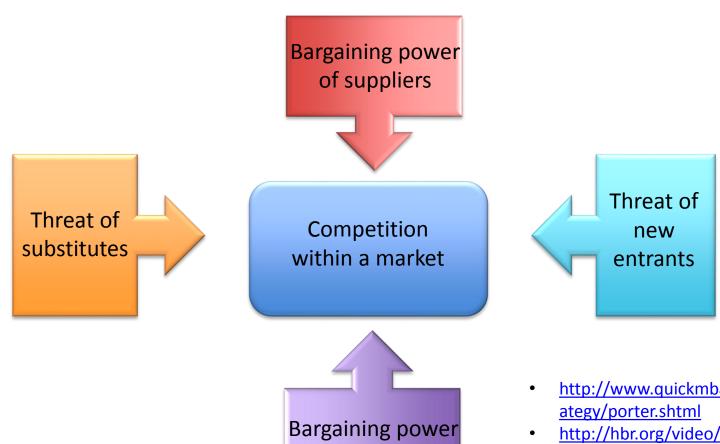
- US Bureau of Economic Analysis
- US Census
- Hoovers
- Trade Associations
- Non-Profit Groups

What percentage will use your product?

Final number x price



# **Market Profitability: Porter's Five Forces**



of customers

- http://www.quickmba.com/str
- http://hbr.org/video/35906152 26001/the-explainer-portersfive-forces



# Market analysis: Research Product/Market and Ensure Value Addition

- 1. Primary research (interviews and surveys): expert opinion, KOLs, inventors, customers
- 2. Secondary research: internet, printed documents;
  - Benchmark against existing products and companies
  - Look at companies who have recently failed
  - Sources: Frost and Sullivan, ISIS, data monitor reports,
     SEC filings/10k/annual reports



# **Market Analysis: Primary Research**

## **SURVEYS AND QUESTIONNAIRES**

- Use Google Survey or Survey Monkey
  - https://www.google.com/insights/consumersurveys/home
  - https://www.surveymonkey.com
- Decide on questions and response matrix
- Should be specific, not for general information gathering
- Distribute in many ways (social media, emails, word of mouth) to potential users – avoid bias!



# **Market Analysis: Primary Research**

#### **INTERVIEWS**

Provide in-depth expert information
In-person, emails, phone calls
Key opinion leaders: internet, personal connections,
conferences, published literature
Identify pain points! Ask why questions!

### **OUR ADVANTAGES**

Typical response rate: 5-10%

Use academic email, network and reputation: ~15-17%

Silicon Valley Culture helps (but avoid BIAS!)

TO OBTAIN A REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE: START ON DAY 1!!!



# **Due Diligence**

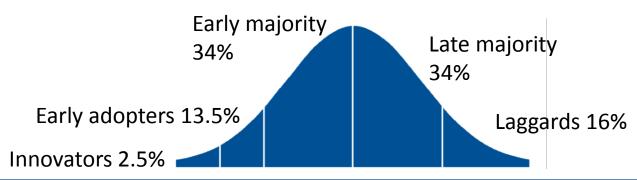
- **1. Market and industry** Is there need? Target market size? Growth? Volatile? Competitive response?
- 2. Path to mass production Cost? Technical concerns?
- 3. Substitutes
- 4. Barriers to entry



# **Due Diligence: Market and Industry**

- 1. Need: Common sense, primary and secondary research.
- 2. Target Market Value: Calculate important for investors VCs, business angels ~\$ 1bln)
  - http://www.marsdd.com/mars-library/how-to-estimate-market-size-business-and-marketing-planning-for-startups/
  - http://analysights.wordpress.com/2009/05/01/8-steps-to-determining-market-size/







# **Due Diligence: Market and Industry**

- **3. Growth**: secondary research, common sense
  - a. Drivers: population data, sales in similar sectors, technology
  - b. Extrapolating historical data (imperfect)
- **4. Competitive response**: Players consolidated, fragmented? What will they do? Pre-emptive measures?
  - http://www.mckinsey.com/insights/strategy/beating the odds in market entry
  - http://businomics.typepad.com/businomics\_blog/2008/01/starbucks-strat.html



# **Due Diligence: Path to Mass Production**

- 1. Total **cost of development** must be a fraction of target market size (less than 10% ideal)
  - a. Financing

## 2. Technical concerns:

- a. Testing (6 months? 5 years?)
- b. Suppliers (location, availability, price)
- c. Technology proprietary? Regulated?
- d. Scaling up from prototype (automation, cost structure)
- e. Design (convenience?)



# **Due Diligence: Substitutes**

- 1. What are they barriers?
  - Coke vs. sequencers
- 2. What drives customer choice
  - a. Product quality and price
  - b. Brand loyalty
  - c. Switching costs (e.g. Apple and Google)
  - d. Marketing campaigns
  - e. Long-term commitment (customer service, contracts)





# **Due diligence: Barriers to entry**

- 1. Many possible!
  - Examples
     http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barriers to entry#Barriers to entry for firms into a market
- 2. Key for us:
  - 1. Government regulations (FDA)
  - 2. Intellectual Property (Freedom to Operate analysis)



# **Summary**

Pick a killer product

**Understand and Size the Market** 

Address Risk

Develop a Business Plan

Have Fun!