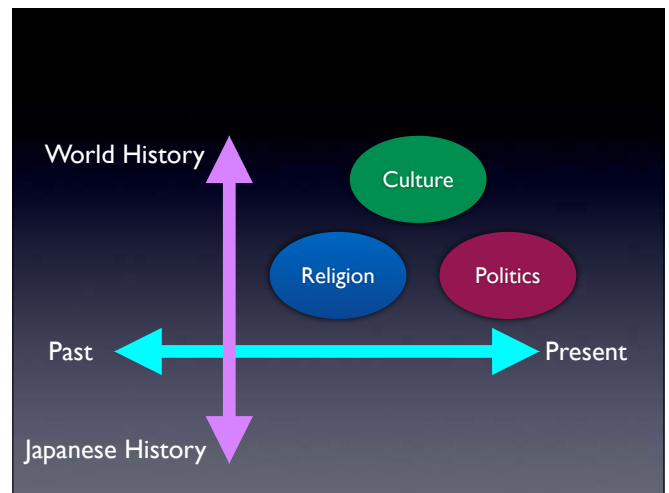


# Introduction

## Religion in Japanese Culture



## Traditional Religions around us



## Religion and Culture

Religion as ultimate concern is the meaning-giving substance of culture, and culture is totality of forms in which the basic concern of religion expresses itself. In abbreviation: religion is the substance of culture, culture is the form of religion.

Paul Tillich, *Theology of Culture*, 1964, p.42

- Traditional religion is the substance of traditional culture, traditional culture is the form of traditional religion.
- New religiosity is the substance of popular/sub culture, popular/sub culture is the form of new religiosity.

## Manga and Anime





## Animism in Anime



- Coexistence of humans, animals and nature
- Can humans reconcile with animals and nature in the industrial society?
- A transition from the ancient animism to “techno-animism”