

Breakthrough Concepts in TRIZ Systematic Innovation

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Outline

- General Introduction of TRIZ/SI
 - Systematic vs Random Innovation
 - TRIZ history & usage overview
- Pillars of TRIZ Philosophy & Principles of TRIZ Operation

Some TRIZ breakthrough concepts & examples

- TRIZ Positioning in Innovation Value Chain
- Closing & Q & A





Systematic Innovation vs Random Innovation

Innovation may be accidental, Systematic Innovation is Destined.

- D. Sheu 2007

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Classes of problem solving methods



The methodical path more reliably moves step-by-step to the solution Therefore covers the whole solution space.



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Random vs Systematic Innov.

Random Innovation (eg. Brain Storming)



Heavily rely on luck. Hard to get available best solution. Systematic Innovation: TRIZ



Use sys processes & tools can convert to available best solutions quicker + more reliable.





Bionics (aka **biomimetics**, **biognosis**, **biomimicry**, or **bionical creativity engineering**) is the application of biological <u>methods</u> and systems found in <u>nature</u> to the study and design of <u>engineering</u> systems and modern <u>technology</u>.



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What is TRIZ ?

- TRIZ: Russian acronym of Teoriya Resheniya
 Izobreatatelskikh Zadatch , (Theory of Inventive Problem Solving)

 (TIPS)
- Chinese translation: <u>萃智</u> (Extraction of prior Wisdom)
- Originated by a Russian Navy patent examiner (Genrich Altshuller) since 1946.
- Comes from the study of best 40K patents in the world then. (Now over million patents studied.)
- Unlike random brain storming , TRIZ stress that innovation can be obtained from systematic thinking processes and tools instead of trial and Error.
- The whole process is systematically extracted from the indepth studies of prior wisdom – best patents.



G.Altshuller (1926-1998)



Applications of SI/TRIZ++

Identifying Innovative Products & Services

Solving Engineering problems

- (New) product Development/Improvements
- (New) Process/Eqm. Development /Improvements
- Patent circumvention/enhancements

Management/Service Applications:

- Identifying Organizational conflicts & solving them
- Business Model Innovation
- Establish Innovation Strategies (SI)

Combine with other tools to solve problems:

• VE; QFD; FMEA; 6-Sigma tools, Lean, TOC,...



Sample TRIZ Application Industries by a Consulting Company



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General Introduction

Pillars of TRIZ Philosophy & Principles of TRIZ Operation

- Resources: \cap to \cup & H to H
- Product Function Value
- Contradiction
- Space-Time-Domain-Interface
- TRIZ breakthrough concepts & examples

- Innovation Value Chain & TRIZ Positioning
- Summary & Further learning resources



Hierarchical View of TRIZ



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5 Pillars of TRIZ



- Ideality: goodness index for all products/services
- Resources):
 - Achieving function with minimum resource usage (Want horse to run fast but do not want to buy grasses to feed them.)
 - Non-use to Useful: (piezoelectric power on Tokyo subway)
 - Harm to Help: Fossil fuel Power plant
- Functionality: => Sheu:→Value
- Contradiction: Barrier for all technical advancements
- Space-Time-Domain-Interface (Think out-of-box)
 - Seeing things from diff. perspectives.
 - Something may be difficult from one viewpoint, but can become easy to understand seeing from a different viewpoint.
 - Image example



TRIZ provided systematic way of achieving above.







Ideality = Benefit / (Cost + Harm)

HarmfulFunction

■ IFR (Ideal Final Result) Achieving desired function with no harm and no resource costs. (i.e.: Ideality = ∞)



Non-use/waste => Useful http://inhabitat.com/tokyo-subway-stations-get-piezoelectric-floors/



More than 4 millions of people commute at Tokyo station. The energy stepped on floor are useless. Tokyo station created piezoelectric (floor) sheets which generate electricity when pedestrians step on it. The system harvest the kinetic energy generated by crowds to power ticket gates and display systems!





Turning Harm to Help







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Product->function->Value

TRIZ Functionality: physical system is means NOT goal.
 Function is what you need. => minimize physical system/comp.

■ Sheu's Value concept:

Value is what you really need. You may obtain value without current function or by using different function; (clean clothes => cloth repulsive to particles. Never get dirts.)____

Function: Clean Clothes; Value: clothes being clean

- 1) Use diff **function** to achieve same value. (Clean dirts => Repel particle)
- Achieving same function, you can use diff action principles (effect) (eg.: water cleaning => chemical clean / air blowing off particles)
- 3) Achieve same action principle, you may use different **components**. (Instead of water carrying detergent, use other liquid or steam to carry detergent.)
- Solve a problem @ Value/Function/Effect/Comp. levels.
- Satisfying @ a higher level achieves higher innovation.
- Can also be used for patent circumvention/enhancement/regeneration



Psychological Inertia

- We don't see things as they are, we see things as we are.
- People often see things based on their own experience/thinking patterns and look at the things on the space/times/interface of where it appears.
 - => Psychological Inertia
- TRIZ has a number of tools to help us break our Psychological Inertia



Anaïs Nin (<u>1903</u> – <u>77</u>), a<u>Cuban</u>-<u>French author</u>.

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How TRIZ works



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TRIZ Problem Solving Model & Factors for success

Like Problem, Like Solutions



Same Generic Function

Leveraging across industries

Field/Industry	Func. Carrier	Action	Object
Construction	Hammer	Hits	Nail
Industry			
Printer industry	Printer mechanism	Advances	Paper
Athletic	Pitcher	Throws	Ball
Industry			

NONE of the functions/objects look similar. Generic term: To move a solid.

Frictional force (advance paper) => throw curve balls Normal force on nail => Throw balls

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Space– Time – Domain - Interface



The Effects Database has 208 suggestions for Move Solid

Start Again

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www.triz.co.uk => 208 (Effect + Resources)





The TRIZ Philosophy

Someone somewhere has already solved something like my problem intelligently, before.

- 99 %: something like your problem has been solved before.
- Underlines the basic thought of TRIZ methodology and its usefulness.

The Problem:

 W/O TRIZ training, 99% of people can't see the similarity between your problem and the solved previous problems in other industry/application due to Psychological Inertia (PI).



Fundamental Benefits of TRIZ

TRIZ Benefits:

- Greatly increase problem solving prob., Quality of Solutions, number of solutions
 - [S/T/I] Systematically taking you to see problems from various perspectives allowing :
 - To some thing you would normally not see due to PI.
 - To see the full set of perspectives -> ID full range of problems & full solutions that maybe connected to prior wisdom.
 - To leverage prior wisdom (Knowledge base) for problem solving.
- Rigorous logics training
- Jump-out-of-box thinking. (Space/Time/Interface)

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Pillars of TRIZ Philosophy & Principles of TRIZ Operation

- Some TRIZ breakthrough concepts & examples
 - Paradigm shift vs Optimization
 - Human view vs Component view
 - Subtraction vs "Addition/Substitution"
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- Innovation Value Chain & TRIZ Positioning
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11) System transfer: Transfer problem issue from current system to another system



TRIZ vs Traditional Problem Solving

- What blocks our advancement?
 - Conflict/contradiction: In TRIZ viewpoint
 - If there is no conflict, we would just go ahead without hesitation.
 - Some maybe explicit, Most contradictions are implicit.



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Traditional Prob Solving:

Optimization/DOE

- Under the current model, Find the best operational point.
- => <u>Compromise</u> to get <u>overall</u> best point of operation.

Comparison of Contradiction Solving



Get to a diff operational principle where there is no need to compromise.



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TRIZ: Paradigm shift by using prior wisdom systematically.

- Get out of current operational mode to search for <u>no-compromise</u> results.
 => Jump to another mode of operation: <u>Paradigm shift</u>
- You can still use Optimization to find best operational point on the best operational mode achievable.
- Paradigm shift is <u>many times</u> more powerful than Optimization.



Paradigm Shift w/ Func. Oriented Search

Inkjet printer case:

- Which company dominates the inkjet printer market?
- Which company first invented inkjet technology?
- BIG question: Why is the first inventor company does not dominate the industry in this case?



HP Inkjet printhead example

Func. needed: Miniaturization

Thermal inkjet technology used "Thick film technology" – screen printing technology. Physical limit (feature size ~ 100 u)

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Key Questions & Results

- What Function/Capability is the most important fundamental function/Capability we need for our success?
 - Answer: Miniaturization
- What industry does best in this critical function? What's method do they use?
 - => I.C. Fabrication, Photolithography (light)

Results:

- Easily > 30 times smaller feature (\sim 100u -> < 2/3 u)
- Finer resolution -> higher quality
- Faster printing speed (More holes in same area & faster cycle time)
- Less materials/Unit function -> cost less; cheaper.
- Shorter circuits => faster response time.



A Way TRIZ Helps paradigm shifts

- **1**. Focus on KEY function not current component.
- ID the fundamental aspect of the key function (Change from Industry-specific function to Generic function to break out PI)
 - Look into Function/Attribute/Effect Database for all existing ways of achieving the function. (Use prior wisdom from distillation of all past patents.)
- 3. When solution is from a different industry which my industry does not know-> Innovation





TRIZ problem-solving vs Traditional problem solving

Methods	Principles	Improvements impacts
Traditional	Optimization	Tens of %
TRIZ	Paradigm Shift	Times
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A Small Question

- What is the main function of a military helmet?
- Helmet protect head insufficiently.



What can we gain from this Functional Model?



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Human view vs Component view What is the main function of a military helmet? Helmet Head Protect

Deduced thinking:

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- How to improve helmet to protect head better?
- How to improve head to allow helmet protecting head better? -=> unable to lead to right thinking.
- NOT Protect Head (Human' viewpoint)
- The function takes place NOT between helmet and head, BUT between helmet and bullet.

w/o involving Bullet, how can we improve Helmet's function? International Society





Component view: Value/Goal: Protect head

	Tool (Helmet)	Func (Block)	Object (Bullet)
+	Add ?? to tool to resolve problem/ achieve value	Add field/func to resolve problem/achieve value	Add ?? to object to to resolve problem/ achieve value
~	Subst. tool to resolve problem/ achieve value	Use other func/field to resolve problem	Subst. object to resolve problem/ achieve value
-	Remove tool to solve problem/ achieve value	Eliminate field that cause the func.; eliminate func.	Eliminate object to resolve problem/ achieve value.



Human Perspective vs Component Perspective (1/2)

Human	Component
I sweep floor	I move bloom
	bloom moves dust
	Floor hold dust
How can I	How can I improve to move bloom more efficiently?
improve to sweep floor better?	How can I move bloom better? Can I not to move bloom but clean better?
How can I	How bloom can be design better for manipulation?
improve sweeping	How can bloom designed better to move dust?
methods?	Can I change how is removed? (suction/blow/burn/chem reaction)
How can the floor	How can I treat dust to make it easier to remove?
make sweep	How can I treat floor to help move dust? (nano tech floor)
better?	What else other than "hold" can floor help to remove dust? (repulse, suck to one place,)
	How can I treat dust so that floor will not hold it?



Human Perspective vs Component Perspective (2/2)

' <u>Human</u>	<u>Component</u>		
I sweep floor.	I move bloom		
Only see 3	bloom moves dust		
points to work	Floor support dust		
on.	See 9 points x Add/Substite/Substract => 9 x		
	3 = 27 ways of solving the same problem.		
I Human view	s _ often missed true physical situations due to		
PI. Thus misse	d many oppr. to ID solutions.		
Component Views allows us see the actual interactions			
among components thus seeing many situations that			
^r Human view	$\ensuremath{\mathbb{F}}$ Human views $\ensuremath{\mathbb{I}}$ fails to see. With TRIZ Systematic approach		
many ideas can thus be found.			



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Trimming (Component/Process)

99% of the Engineers invariably <u>ADD</u> "+" something to the system or "SUBSTITUTE" something to fix the problem. Trimming uses SUBTRACT "-" something from the system to solve same problem more elegantly.

- Radio interference of components on PCB.
- Dam to protect against floods.



Benefits of trimming Trimming

- Eliminate negative functions(harmful/insuff/excessive)
- Reduce cost
- Reduce complexity
 - Part counts
 - Usage maintenance complexity. Make it easier to use/maintain/repair
 - Less opportunities for errors.
- Patent Circumvention



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Self-closing Embedded Slit-valve

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Case background (Slit-valve)

Slit-valve Closing operation:

- Slit-valve push down T-Bar to 1. bottom
- Cover plat move left press on 2. Chamber wall slit O-ring, and it finish closing operation. (Vice
- **T-Bar** versa) Cover plate **GI-Val** Slit O-ring Valve Down (Close) Cover plate To cover O-Ring (Tighten) Used in CVD, PVD, Implanter International Society



Slit-valve Exploded diagram



item	Parts Name
1	Air pressure cylinder assembly (left)
2	Air pressure cylinder assembly (right)
3	Piston assembly
4	Slit-valve (S.V.) Bellow/ G.V. Bellow
5	Sliding guide assembly
6	Cover assembly
7	Connecting bar assembly
8	Cover the bottom of S.V,
9	Piston fixed block
10	T Bar
11	Slider (Angle plate)
12	Upper and lower cover assembly
13~17	Hexagon screws
18	Cover 48



The pins of the guiding block assembly (#5導引滑塊組合) cracks due to stress concentration causing uneven movements.





Current Approaches

- **<u>1</u>** <u>**Replace defective components, or**</u>
- 2) Add components to the system

Engineer wish to extend the stem assuming longer pin will provide bigger contact area to reduce stress concentration. ???







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FA for Slit Valve



Final Trimming Model

Trimming Problem:

How can I make Cover assembly close and Tighten the door by itself?

Are there any resources?



• Fundamental Function needed: <u>Move Solid</u>



Function Oriented Search/ Knowledge Effect Database-Existing Ways to Moves Solid

Bird's Beak Effect	Electrets	Gravity	Reuleaux triangle
Boundary Layer Entrapment	electromagnetic induction	Hyperboloid	Shape Memory Effect
Brushes	Electrophoresis	Inertia	Spiral
Coanda Effect	Electrostatic Field	Ion Conductivity	Thermophoresis
Corona Discharge	Explosion	Magnetic Explosion	Torque Oscillator
Coulomb's Law	Ferro-magnetism	Mobius Strip	Triboelectricity
Desorption	Fluidization	Pascal's Law	Vibration
Diamagnetism	Friction, Diffusion	Photophoresis	(Differential) Pressure
Dopant Segregation	Funnel Effect	Resonance	

Use existing resources. => Gravity & Vacuum



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Original case vs. case Solution



Original case:

- 18 Components / external valve
- Use mechanism to implementation the twodimensional movements of the slit valve.
- Need large space, and the original problem will happen after a period of time.

Our Solution (1):

- 3 components / embedded valve
- Electromagnetism to implementation the twodimensional movement of the slit valve.

- Substantial reduction of space, the original problem will not appear again. (Designed out)



Benefits of this solution

Savings: 95% of the component cost, 80⁺ percent of the part count. ~ 98% Energy savings.

	Item	Before	After	Improvement (%)
	Component	18	20	(18-20)/18=-11.1%
Original	Counts			
Solution	System cost	229,000	80,000	NA
	Energy savings	120	120	Energy to maintain 6 kg*20 (min)
	Component	18	3	(18-3)/18=83.3%
	Counts			
	System cost	229,000	<10,000	(229000-10000)/ 229000 =95.6%
Our solution	Energy savings	0.5 *20=	0.6*2 =	1- (1/60)= 98%
		60	1.2	from 6 (kg)*0.5* 20 (min) =60 Full
				Cycle to 0.6 (kg)* 2 (min)=1.2 @
				opening pulse

- 1. The service cost of the original solution is 80K on overhaul, and price for new system is 229K .
- 2. Slit-valve : 'Open' for about 2 minutes, and the whole cycle is about 20 minutes.
- 3. Slit- valve use electrical pulse only during "open" status. (1/10 of the time)
- 4. 1/10 time * (0.6/3) weight => need only 2% of original energy level.



Advantage of this design (3 Comp.)

- Eliminate original failure mode
- Original 18 error-prone components => 3 error-prone components.
 Solenoid valve is a mature high reliability tech.
- Use existing resources. Greatly reduce materials/space/energy:
- Close gate: existing weight
- Sealing valve: existing vacuum
- Use time characteristics, Only 1/10 time of "open" state needing energy. When needing energy, only need to move 1/5 of original weight.
- Greatly reduced 83% of components & >95+% component costs& up to 98% operational energy.
- Embed valve inside Chamber Wall => reduce space
- May further use TRIZ trend to make the cover plate hollow inside
 => even lighter.

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Darrell Mann's Trends





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Source: Darrell Mann

Usage of Evolutionary Trends

- 1. Trends as problem solving tool
 - The next stages on the trend can be used as solution trigger for problem solving
- 2. Trend as a tool for ID of innovative products
- 3. Enhance patent strength for bullet-proof patenting.
- 4. For system evolution strategy
- Used to ID best potential R&D directions to focus on.
- Can improve most ideality for the whole system
- 5. Product & Technology Forecasting











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Insole: (Nike R&D Mgr on the pad.)

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- 系統化創新 對比 隨機創新
- 萃智系統化創新方法概觀與運作原理: 跳出心理慣性
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 - 典範轉移對比優化(案例)
 - 元件觀點對比人的觀點(案例)
 - 資源運用: 化無用為有用, 化有害為有利 (案例)
 - 減法對比加/換法解決問題(案例)
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Position of TRIZ in the Innovation Value Chain

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- International Society of Innovation Methods
 - First non-profit scientific society dedicated to R&D/Appl./Promotion Of <u>Innovation Methods</u>.
 - Just Established @ Bay area. Late 2016/Begin 2017. Begins to Call for Funding Members (<u>www.i-sim.org</u>). Permanent membership USD 100.
- Goals:
 - Provide a platform for Research, Development, and Promotion of innovation methods, tools, systems, and applications.
 - Integrate various innovation methods such as TRIZ, deBono methods, biomimicry, etc., for synergetic usage.
 - Provide complete and in-depth training/consultation/Database of the IM tools/knowledge/capabilities.
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Take-home Points

- Innovation can be anywhere along the Value Chain. But, the earlier stage the higher impacts.
- TRIZ is derived from Prior Wisdom (best patents). It is regarding changing Psychological Inertia to see things from different perceptions and use prior wisdom to solve problems.
- TRIZ key philosophies include: Resources, Contradiction, Function-Value, Space-Time-Domain-Interface.
- TRIZ powerful concepts include:
 - Paradigm shift
 - Component physical viewpoint instead of human view point
 - Turning Non-use to useful & turning Harm to Help.
 - Subtraction is better than substitution/Addition to solve problem.
 - Trends are very useful for new product ideas, problem solving, forecasting.
 - TRIZ is very useful for patent circumvention, Enhancement, Re-generation

For further learning, you are all welcome to join the I-SIM.



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