PROPOSAL FOR AN EFFICIENT INVENTION DEPLOYMENT METHOD BASED ON TRIZ (THEORY OF INVENTIVE PROBLEM SOLVING)

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What is an invention development work?



Invention derived by invention development work?

High-ranking invention X

The outline: The first invention, the horizontal invention, and the subordinate position invention are included.

Example: Blower machine without blade

The enhancing meaning: It contributes to the technical range enhancing.



The inventor's invention (the first invention) Example : Fan without blade



Subordinate position invention

The outline: The first invention is limited.

Example : Concrete shape of vent

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The enhancing meaning: It contributes on the patent inclination.

The horizontal invention

The outline: The common challenge is solved by a different means.

Example : Drier without blade

The enhancing meaning: It contributes on the patent inclination.

It contributes to the technical range enhancing.

⇒In the present study, it derives it as the first stage for the horizontal invention.

Technique and the problem in the past.

Purpose of invention development work

•A high-ranking invention, the horizontal invention, and the subordinate position invention are derived from the inventor's invention.

 \Rightarrow A technical range of the invention is enhanced, and the patent of the invention is improved.

 \Rightarrow The prior patenting of the cooperation other companies is evaded.

Technique in the past

·It executes it by the brainstorm (Brest) by parties concerned.

Problem of technique in the past

• General problem of Brest:

-Efficiency is low.

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-It is not possible to slip out the stereotype.

Solution rough draft of problem of technique in the past

Rough draft that solves problem of technique in the past

Invention development work using TRIZ

Advantage of TRIZ

- ·Stereotype breaking down when technical idea is created
- •Efficiency improvement of technical idea creation

Advantage forecast by using TRIZ

·Invention development work \Rightarrow stereotype breaking down + efficiency improvement

1. Investigative Purpose Problem of TRIZ use

Difference of assumption

•The invention development work starts from the state of the invention creation ending.

•TRIZ starts from the state of the invention uncreation.

Relation to condition for patentability

•The patent of purpose = invention of the invention development work is improved.

 $\cdot \textsc{On}$ patent inclination of invention and early patent evasion of the cooperation other companies

 \Rightarrow Condition for patentability consideration main point

•As for TRIZ, the relation to the condition for patentability is not considered.

 \Rightarrow It is difficult to apply TRIZ to the invention development work directly.

Purpose of present study?



2. Examination point concerning patent

Condition for patentability

Name	Outline
Novelty	It should not be an invention (hereafter, invalidating art) etc. known to an unspecified person in Japan or the foreign country before the invention that demands making to the right applies for the patent.
Progres sivity	It should not be the one that was able to be invented easily before the person where the invention that demands making to the right has usual knowledge in the field to which the invention belongs applies for the patent based on the invalidating art.
Single	It must be a technical feature in the invalidating art without, and there be a common technical feature for the invention of these two or more when the invention of two or more has been described to one patent application.

2. Examination point concerning patent

Patent evasion











Step 3: The horizontal principle is specific.

Subprinciples other than the first subprinciple are specific as the subprinciple (horizontal subprinciple) that can be applied to the horizontal invention deriving from among the subprinciple of the first invention principle.

(Give priority to the invention principles other than the horizontal subprinciple.)



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(Give priority to the invention principles other than the horizontal early principle.)



Step 4: The horizontal invention is derived.

The horizontal invention is derived by the horizontal subprinciple.



The horizontal invention is derived by the horizontal invention principle.



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Invention A

Technical field

•Hull construction of hydraulic power unit that generates electricity in river

Background art

•The screw is arranged between a pair of floatage bodies.

Technical problem

•The screw rotation speed changes along with the volume of water change and the power generation efficiency is not steady.



Invention A

The first invention

•Hydraulic power unit assumed to be able to assume that floatage body can be transformed in proportion to hydraulic pressure, and to adjust interval between floatage body and screw

•Concrete structure to assume that it is possible to transform it

= A part of the floatage body was assumed to be a slide structure, the slide part was supported with the spring, and it was assumed the structure to do the slide to the position in which hydraulic pressure and the ²⁰elastomeric force balanced.



invention A

The horizontal invention derived in Brest ·Hydraulic power unit assumed to be able assume that floatage body can be transformed in proportion to hydraulic pressure, and to adjust interval between floatage body and screw

•Concrete structure to assume that it is possible to transform it

= A part of the floatage body was assume to be a link structure, and it was assumed structure that the manual operation was at to move at the link position.







Invention deriving by the horizontal subprinciple "15b. It divides and relative displacement."

•The interval of the floatage body was enabled to assume that a pair of floatage body was able to be moved to each other, to reserve only one side ashore fixing, to assume that it was possible to move according to hydraulic pressure on the other hand, and to be adjusted.



Invention deriving by the horizontal invention principle "17. another dimension"

•The pass road was formed to each floatage body, the lid of the pass road was supported with the spring, and it was assumed the structure that the lid opens and shuts to the position in which hydraulic pressure and the elastomeric force balanced.



Invention deriving by the horizontal invention principle "13. reverse-conception"

•The interval between the floatage body and the screw is adjusted by the floatage body is not moved but moving the screw.

•The screw was supported with the spring, and it was assumed the structure that the screw is located at the position in which hydraulic pressure and the elastomeric force balanced.

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4. Verification consideration

Verification outcome

Inv en tio n	Number of horizontal inventions that were able to be derived by isochronal			
	Brest	Invention development technique by present study		
A	1	The one that the horizontal subprinciple was applied	1	
		The one that the horizontal invention principle was applied	2	
В	1	The one that the horizontal subprinciple was applied	0	
		The one that the horizontal invention principle was applied	4	

①More horizontal inventions are derived by isochronal compared with Brest.

⇒Invention development efficiency improvement

2 It derives it by TRIZ.

⇒Fixed idea breaking down

③An increase in number of horizontal inventions

 \Rightarrow On patent inclination

Technical range enhancing

(4) The invention derived by the horizontal subprinciple is characterized in the first invention and a common invention principle.

 \Rightarrow Single fulfillment is easy.

5. Summary and problem in the future

Summary

·It was able to propose the deriving technique of the horizontal invention that applied TRIZ.

•Efficiency improvement and breaking down the stereotype became possible compared with Brest because it applied TRIZ.

•The number of horizontal inventions can be increased, and on the patent inclination and the technical range enhancing can be expected.

•Because the invention derived by the horizontal subprinciple is characterized in the first invention and a common invention principle, it is easy to fulfill the single in the condition for patentability.

•In the evasion of the early invention principle and the early invention subprinciple, the early patent evasion is easy.

Problem

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•Because two or more invention principles are combined and the first invention is derived, the technique that can be applied for this case is examined.

•There are a lot of examination problems of the method of evading the early patent because it is not invention principle = composition requirement.

•The development technique of a subordinate position invention and a high-ranking invention is examined.

•Relativity with conditions for patentability other than the single is examined.