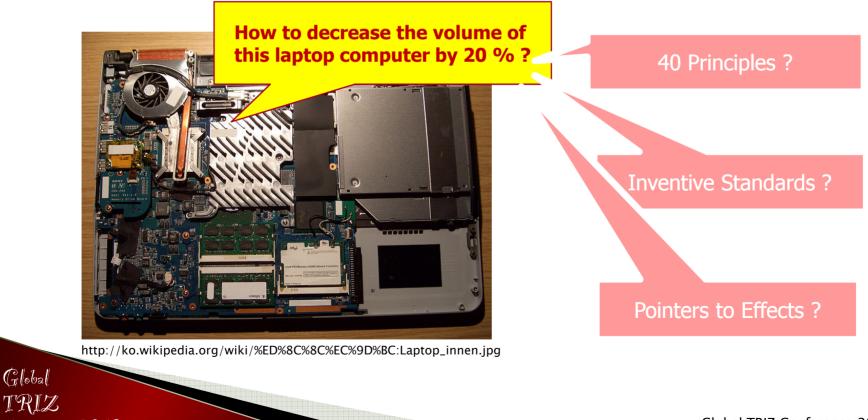
'Occasion Axis' to select the proper TRIZ thinking tools through investigation of the initial problem situation

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Background

In many real cases, TRIZ idea generation tools like 40 Principles, Separation Principles and inventive standards cannot be applied directly to the initial problem situation because of complexity and obscurity of it.



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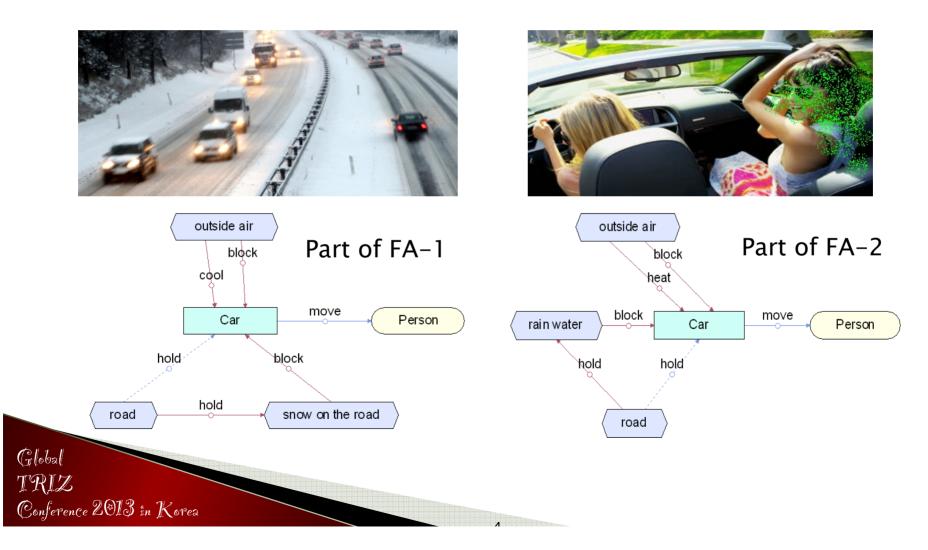
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 Not only idea generation thinking tools of TRIZ but also analytic tools of modern TRIZ like Function Analysis, Root Cause Analysis, Feature Transfer, etc. are hardly used directly from perception of the initial situation. Additionally, we need to decide which TRIZ tool should be adopted for problem solving after investigation of the initial problem situation.



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Function Analysis requires a certain time viewpoint among several time options.



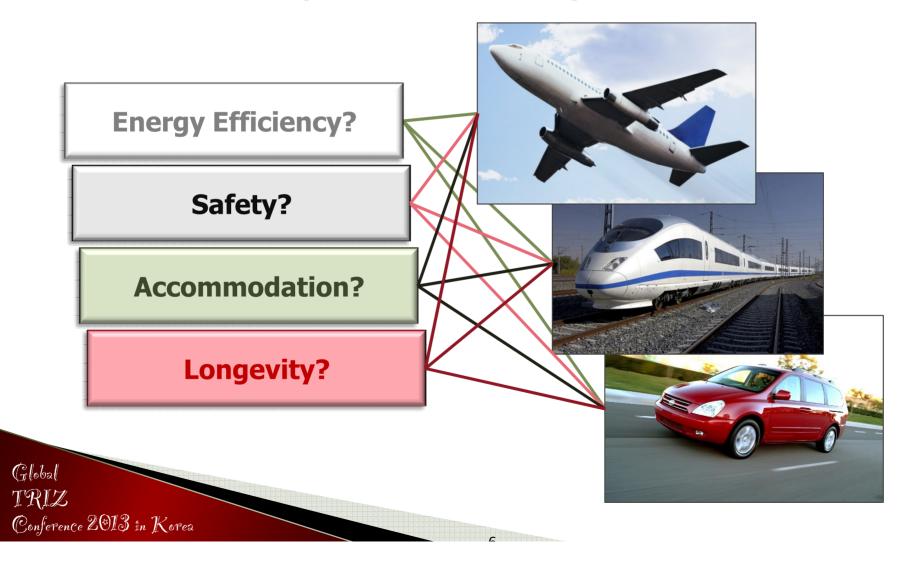


Root Cause Analysis needs a previous research on a series of events along change of time and parametric condition.





Feature Transfer is done based on the preliminary understanding of the overall operation diagnosis of the competing systems.



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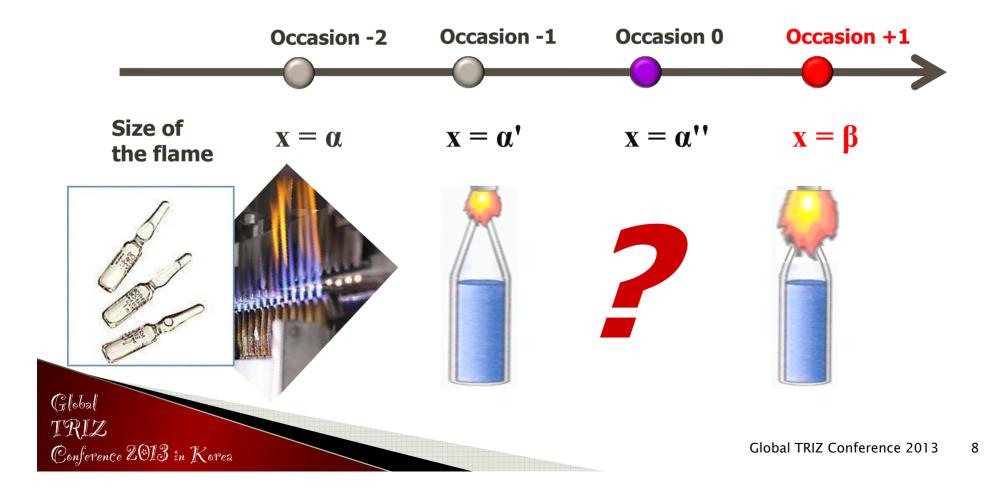
 'Occasion Axis' is a novel analytic thinking tool to guide problem solvers to proper idea generation tools or analytic ones

according to investigation of the initial problem situation.



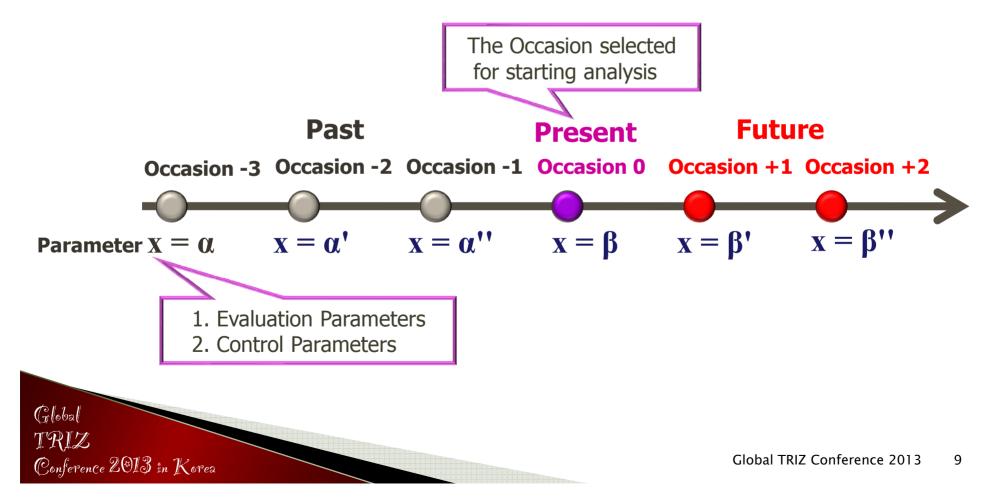
Main notions of 'Occasion Axis'

 'Occasion Axis' is a thinking process in which we examine what happens under occasions based on certain parameters through the whole problem situation.



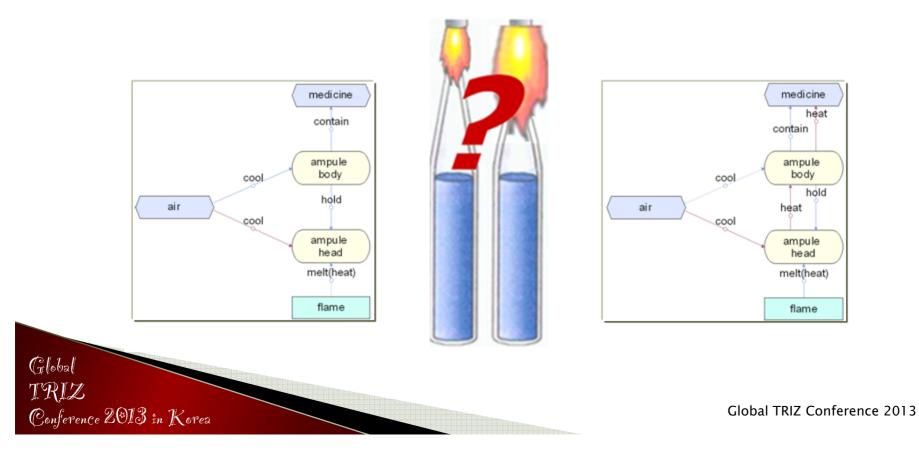
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 According to evaluation parameters or control parameters, 'Occasion Axis' is deployed to analyze the initial problem situation



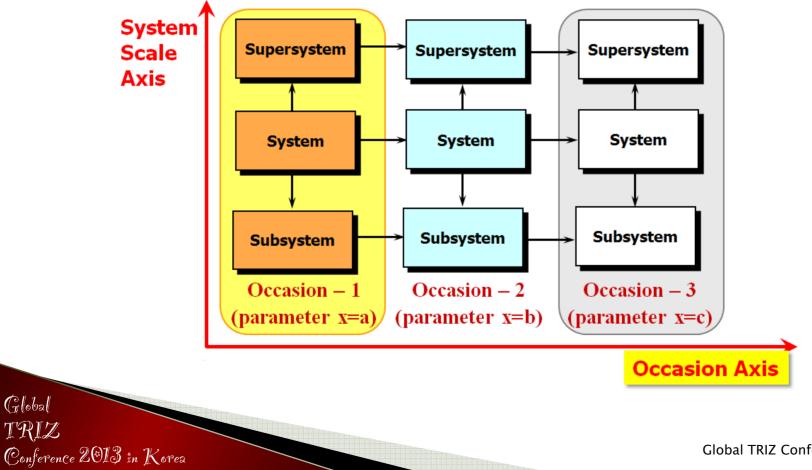
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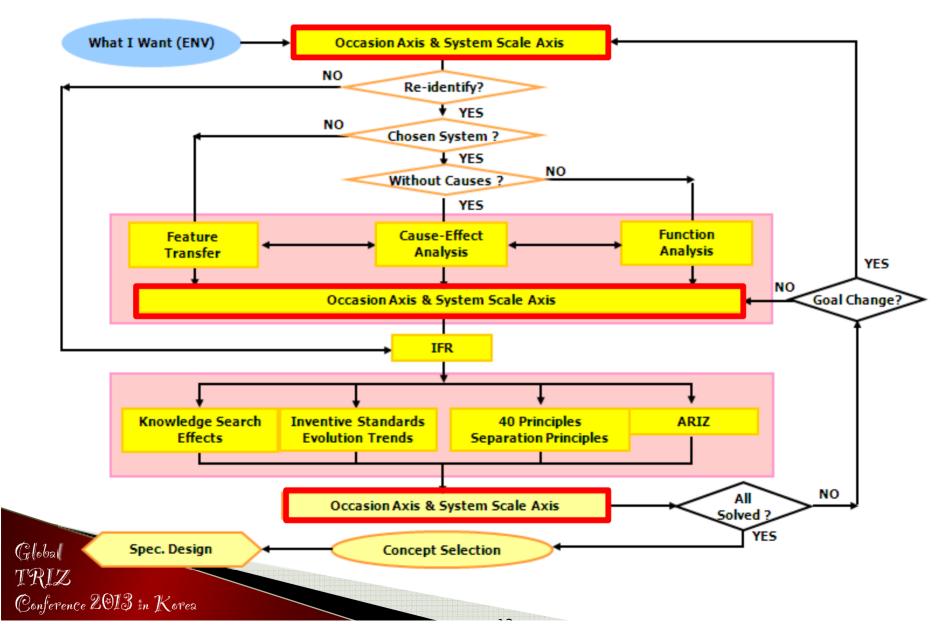
- At each 'Occasion', the problem situation is examined from the viewpoint of interactions and parameters.
- Interactions are evaluated according to the parameters of each 'Occasion' and then we get different diagnoses.

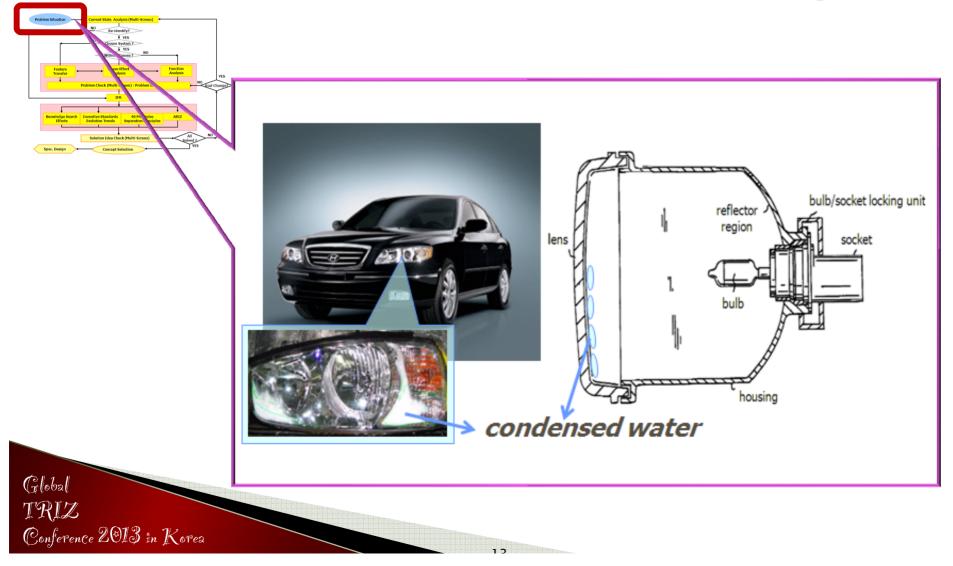


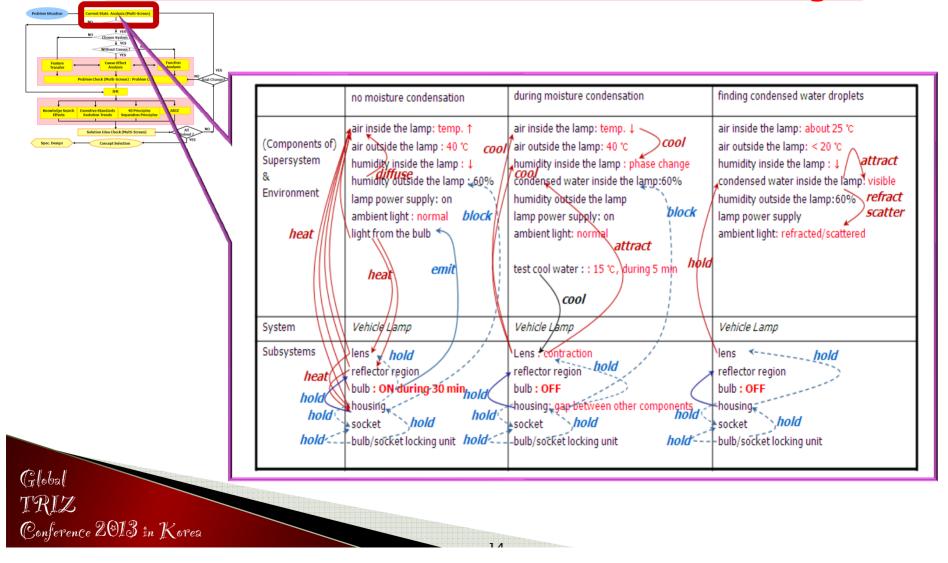
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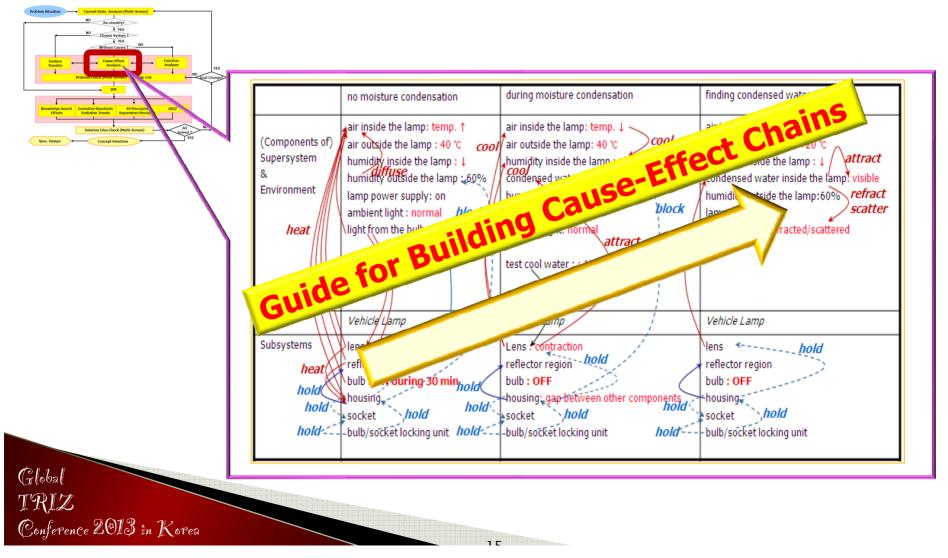
- 'Occasion Axis' can be used with any other TRIZ tools, especially with 'System Scale' as Multi Screen Thinking.
- 'Occasion Axis' might replace the classical 'Time Axis'[1]

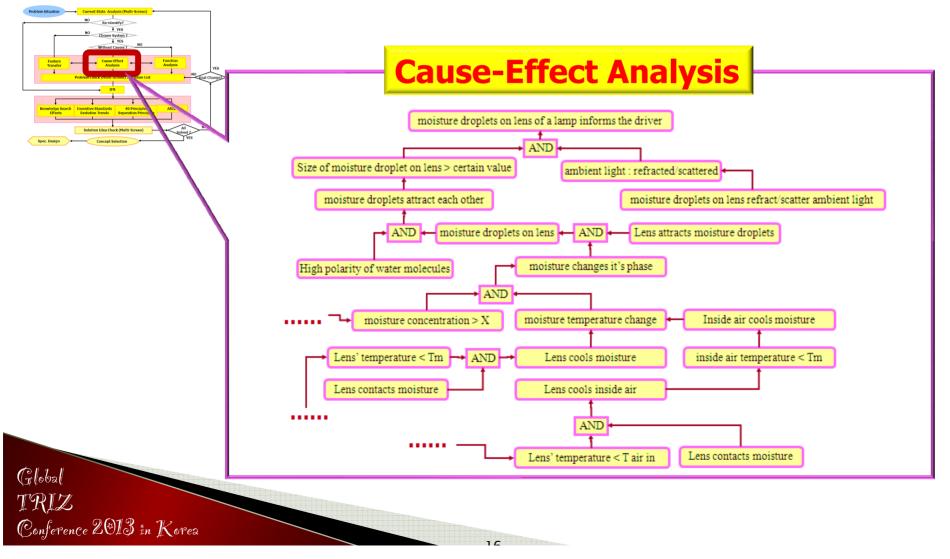












Results and Discussion

Occasion Axis' has been applied to real projects for problem solving of global companies like Samsung, Hyundai, POSCO, and Amore Pacific, etc. from 2005 [2-4]. Through 'Occasion Axis', the whole picture of the initial problem situation could be got systematically and the result of it gave problem solvers the directions of the following problem solving activities. 'Occasion Axis' can be integrated not only with TRIZ thinking tools but also with other problem solving tools.

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