



Motivation & Creativity

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Lecture

- A path-goal model for motivation and creative action
- Strengthening problem solving capabilities
- A first innovation case study

Access and exploitation of Drucker's sources by common key tools



	Motivation & Creativity	Organization & Change	Benchmarking	Innovation Networks	Consulting	Competitive Intelligence
The Unexpected	Analytical Skills & Creative Implementation	Collection & Provisioning of Data		Customer Network to Understand the Situation	Interpretation & Implementation Support	Analytical Support
Incongruities	Analytical Skills & Creative Implementation	Collection & Provisioning of Data		Networks to Understand the Situation	Interpretation & Implementation Support	Analytical Support
Process Needs	Analytical Skills & Creative Implementation	Collection & Provisioning of Data	Determine 'Best in Class' Solutions		Interpretation & Implementation Support	Determine Competitive Advantages
Industry & Market Structure Change	Problem Awareness & Analytical Skills	Company Culture Embracing Change	Determine 'Best in Class' Solutions	Gain Impulses and New Ideas	Consultants as Knowledge Provider	Determine Competitive Advantages
Demographics	Problem Awareness & Analytical Skills	Company Culture Embracing Change		Gain Impulses and New Ideas	Consultants as Knowledge Providers	Analytical Support
Change in Perception	Problem Awareness & Analytical Skills	Company Culture Embracing Change		Gain Impulses and New Ideas	Consultants as Knowledge Providers	Analytical Support
New Knowledge	Problem Awareness & Analytical Skills	Company Culture Embracing Change		Gain Impulses and New Ideas	Consultants as Knowledge Providers	Analytical Support
Sudden Flash of Inspiration	Motivation to Solve a Problem	Stimulating Work Environment				



Elements of structured innovation gathering

within the organization

Motivation & Creativity

Organization & Change

partnership approach

Benchmarking

Creativity & Innovation in Networks

pure external information

Consultants as Innovation Accelerators

Competitive Intelligence





Topics

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In this section we aim to discuss the aspects of motivation leading to creative performance

Definition (Motivation)

Motivation is the experience of desire or aversion. (You want something, or want to avoid or escape something.)

As such, motivation has both

- an objective aspect (a goal or thing you aspire to) – and
- an internal or subjective aspect (it is you that wants the thing or wants it to go away)

The subjective aspect of motivation connects it to needs, desires, wants or other drives within the individual.

Definition (Creativity)

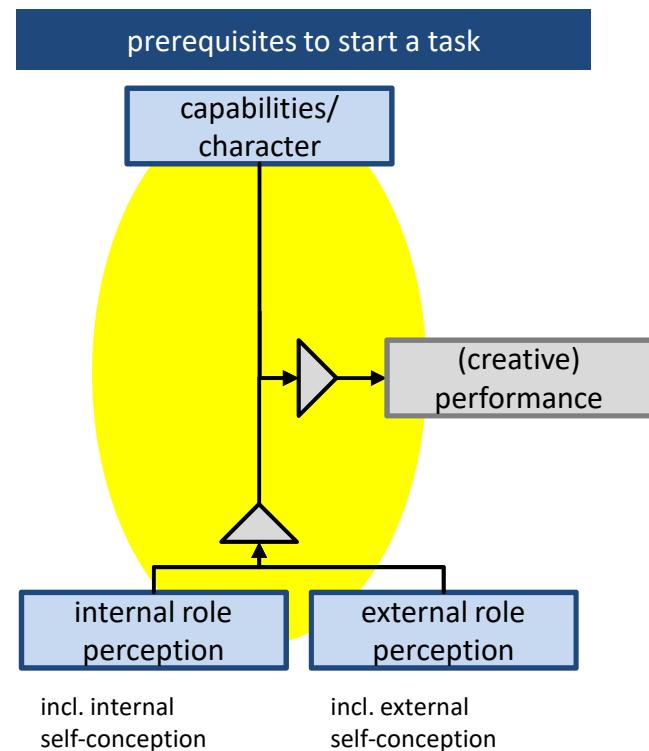
Creativity involves the production of novel, useful products, or, in other words: something original and worthwhile.

According to E.P. Torrance (1966):

A process of becoming sensitive to problems, deficiencies, gaps in knowledge, missing elements, disharmonies, and so on; identifying the difficulty; searching for solutions, making guesses, or formulating hypotheses about the deficiencies: testing and retesting these hypotheses and possibly modifying and retesting them; and finally communicating the results.



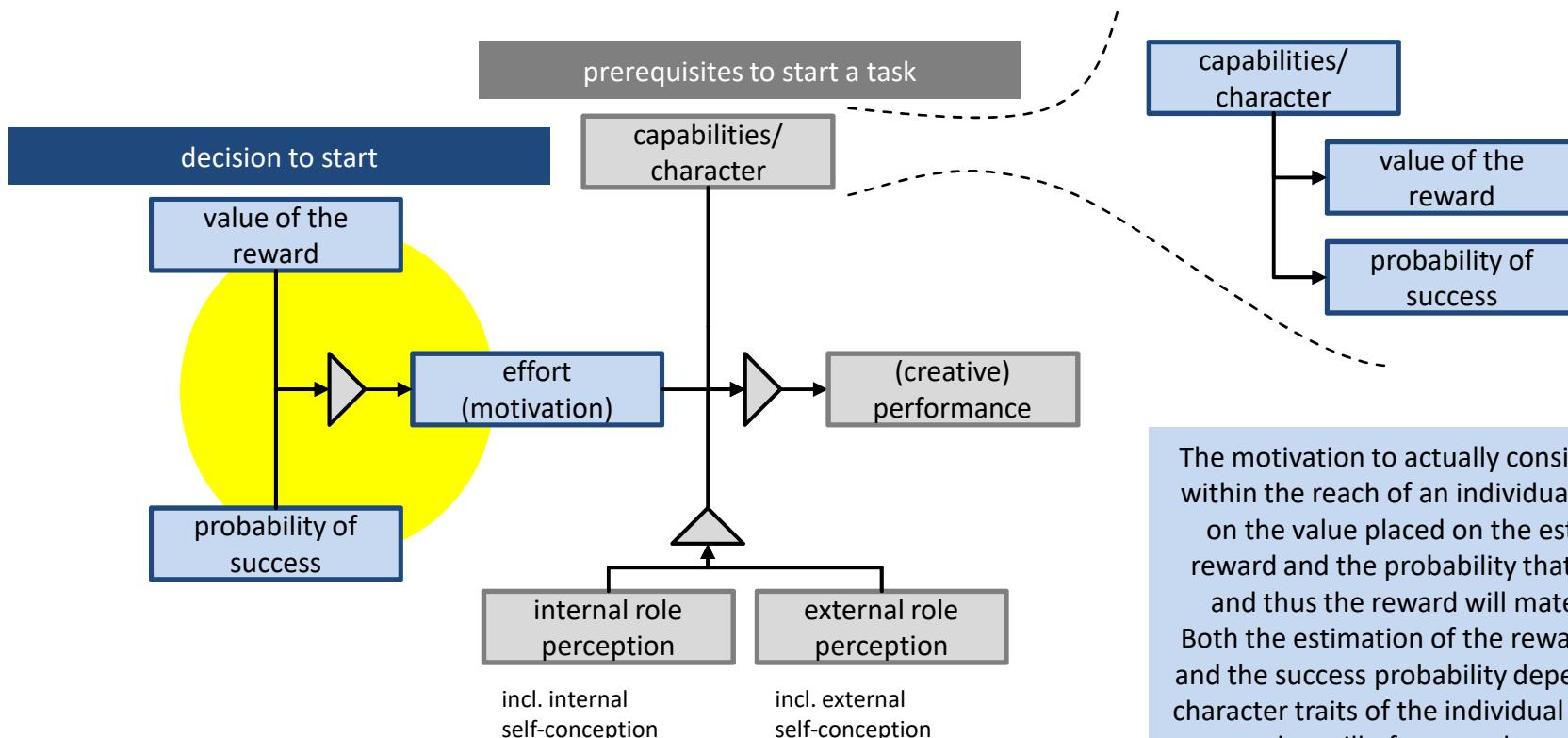
Let us examine the role of motivation for the accomplishment of a task (creative performance) in a process model (1/ 3) ...



In order to perform a task an individual will ask themselves if they have the right knowledge/ skills/ experience at hand, if it matches their interest and personal traits and how they perceive themselves in the social (work) environment they are in: do I have an adequate role or am I an outsider who is not considered to perform that task?



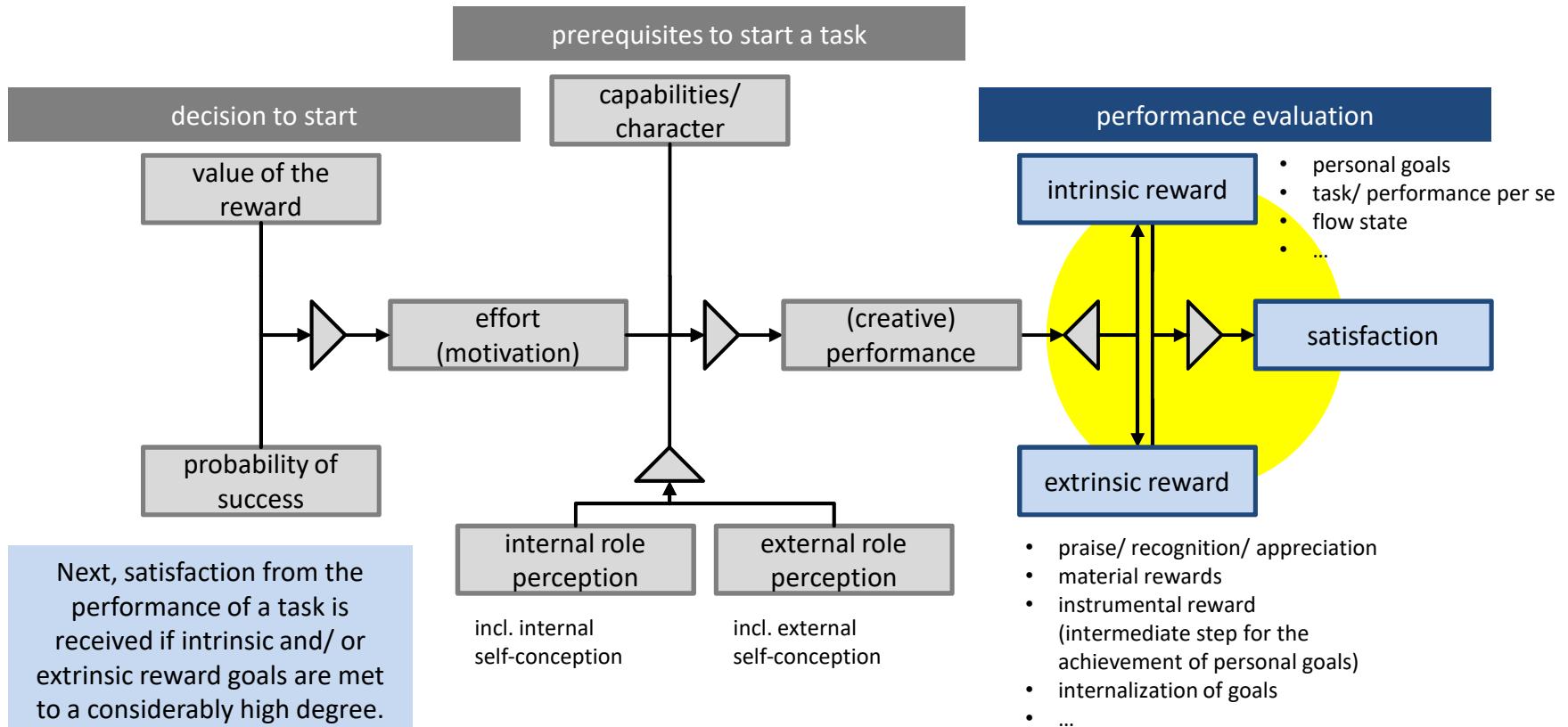
Let us examine the role of motivation for the accomplishment of a task (creative performance) in a process model (2/ 3) ...



The motivation to actually consider a task within the reach of an individual depends on the value placed on the estimated reward and the probability that the task and thus the reward will materialize. Both the estimation of the reward's value and the success probability depend on the character traits of the individual (e.g. a risk seeker will often put the success probability unreasonably high).

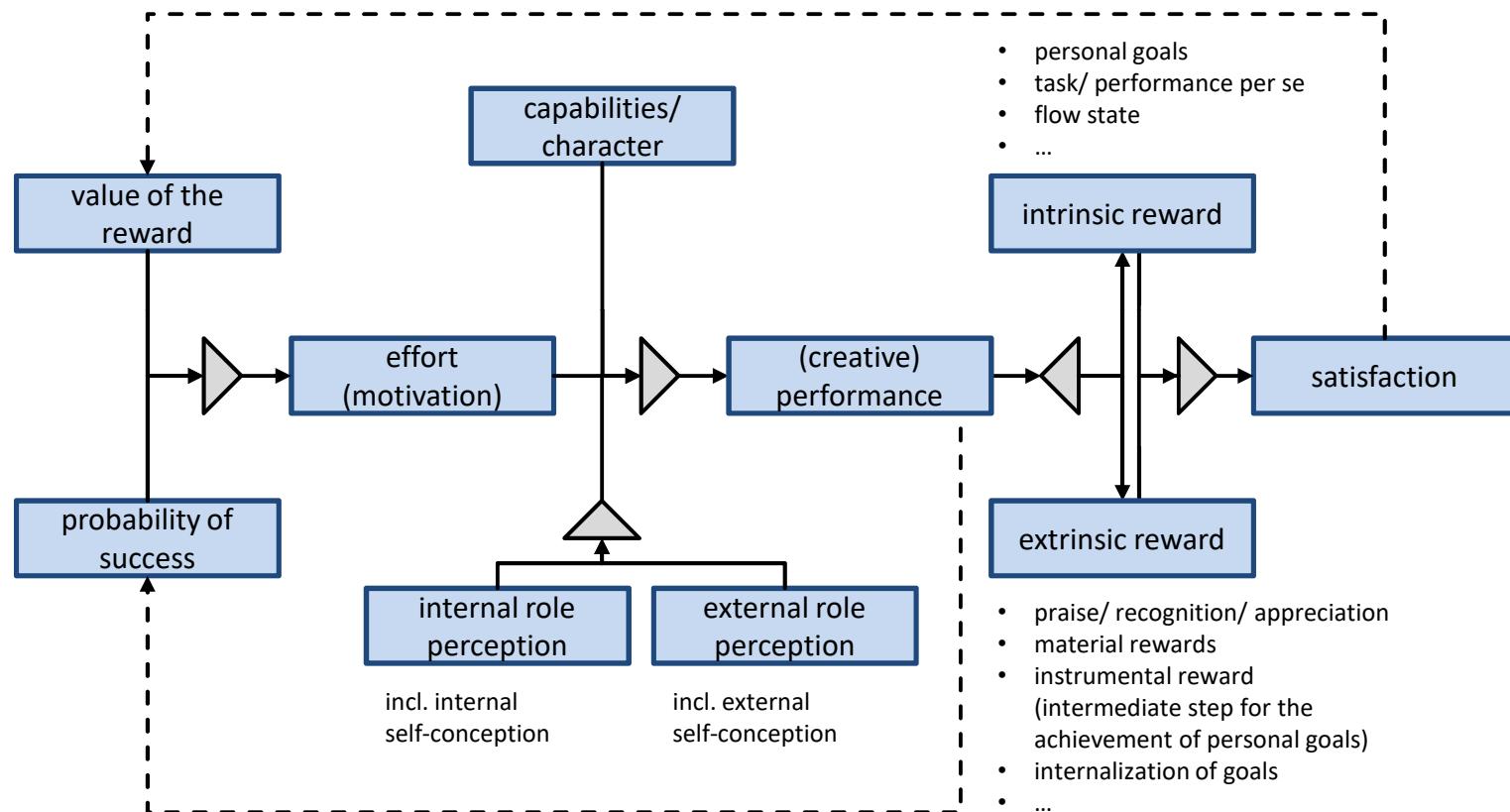


Let us examine the role of motivation for the accomplishment of a task (creative performance) in a process model (3/ 3) ...





... which leads to an extended path-goal model describing motivation as the result of anticipated rewards





Summary: Implications of the path-goal model

That the value of a rewards plays a key role in considering a task is quite obvious. So is the role perception that especially can hinder taking actions. Here, the company culture and leadership style can serve as encouraging factors to think beyond role boundaries or have them set permeable for the execution of creative tasks.

Though, that also the perceived probability of success plays a major role is often not discussed. Indeed, in many business situations, the expectations on gains are quite often the real drivers for decisions. Think about buying stocks.

It seems fair to say that we humans are typically rather bad in evaluating probabilities and are seriously blinded by huge potential wins (or fears of already made investments in a declining business). Think of the roulette gambling strategy where you double your stake one you loose.

It is worth to further explore the factors that lead us to assign values to a success probability in order to better understand certain ‘reasoning’ and, in the context of motivation and creativity, lower the barriers to undertake the right actions.



Work satisfaction, and thus motivation, depends on leadership that provides, amongst others, structure, freedoms, and loyalty

"Employees inherently dislike work, therefore, they need to be led autocratic!"



"Employees are self-motivated; work is natural for them, like sleep or play. Therefore, they need to participate in decisions!"



"Employees want to be in a loyal and belong to a larger structure. Therefore, companies need to focus on their well-being (on and off the job)!"



leadership is employee and situation based;
there are no general strategies that always work

thus, we focus on the "extreme" theories, such that every leader can combine them (use the spectrum between them)

but, be careful, you **must** be congruent



Note, the path-goal model holistically covers essential aspects known from several other established motivation/ etc. ... theories

		extended path-goal model							
		reward value & satisfaction	internal role perception	external role perception	capabilities/ character	probability of success	(creative) performance	intrinsic reward	extrinsic reward
Established Model									
Motivation Theories	Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs	directly addressed							
	Herzberg's Motivation-Hygiene Theory	directly addressed	directly addressed						
	McClelland's Need for Achievement		directly addressed				directly addressed		
	Vroom's Expectancy Theory	directly addressed	directly addressed				directly addressed		
	Management Theory Z	directly addressed	directly addressed	directly addressed				directly addressed	
	Fiedler's Contingency Model (Leadership Theory)		directly addressed					indirectly addressed	indirectly addressed
	Theory of Inventive Problem Solving		directly addressed				directly addressed		
	Personality Type Models (like Graves, MBTI, etc.)	directly addressed	directly addressed	directly addressed	directly addressed	directly addressed	indirectly addressed	indirectly addressed	indirectly addressed

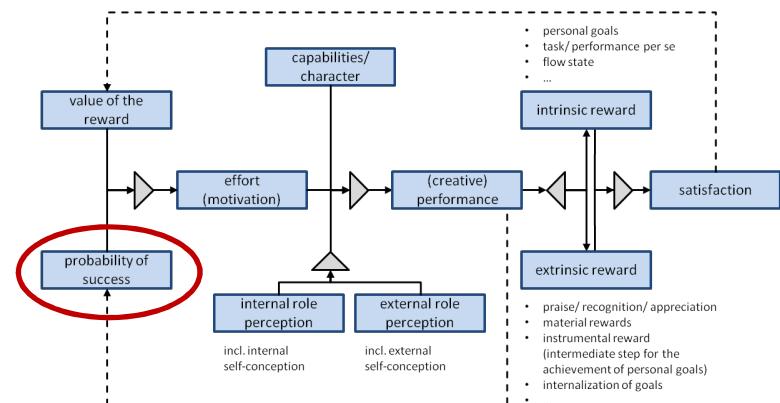


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A Path-Goal Model for Motivation and Creative Action

Strengthening Problem Solving Capabilities

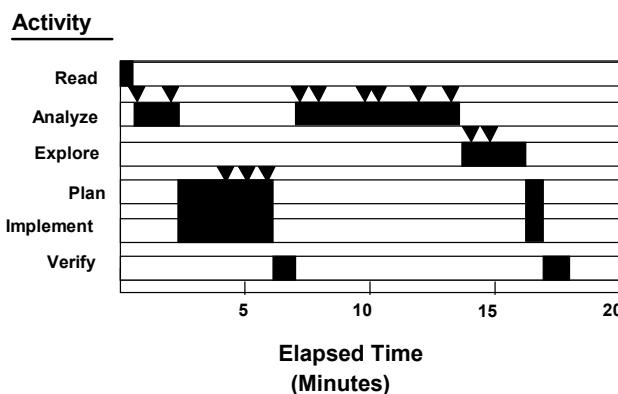
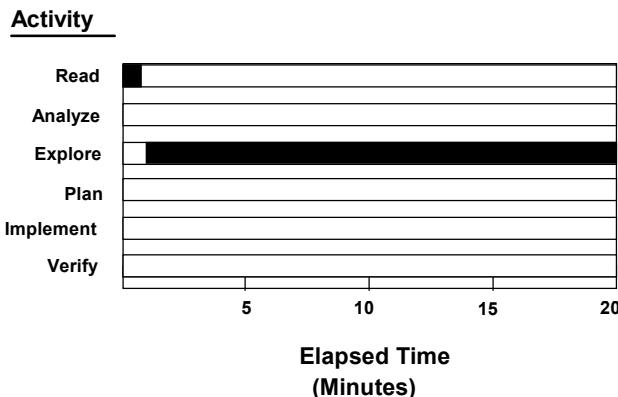
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Solving a difficult problem actually is an iterative process where progress is evaluated continuously until the best solution approach can be carried out

Alan H. Schoenfeld, University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA



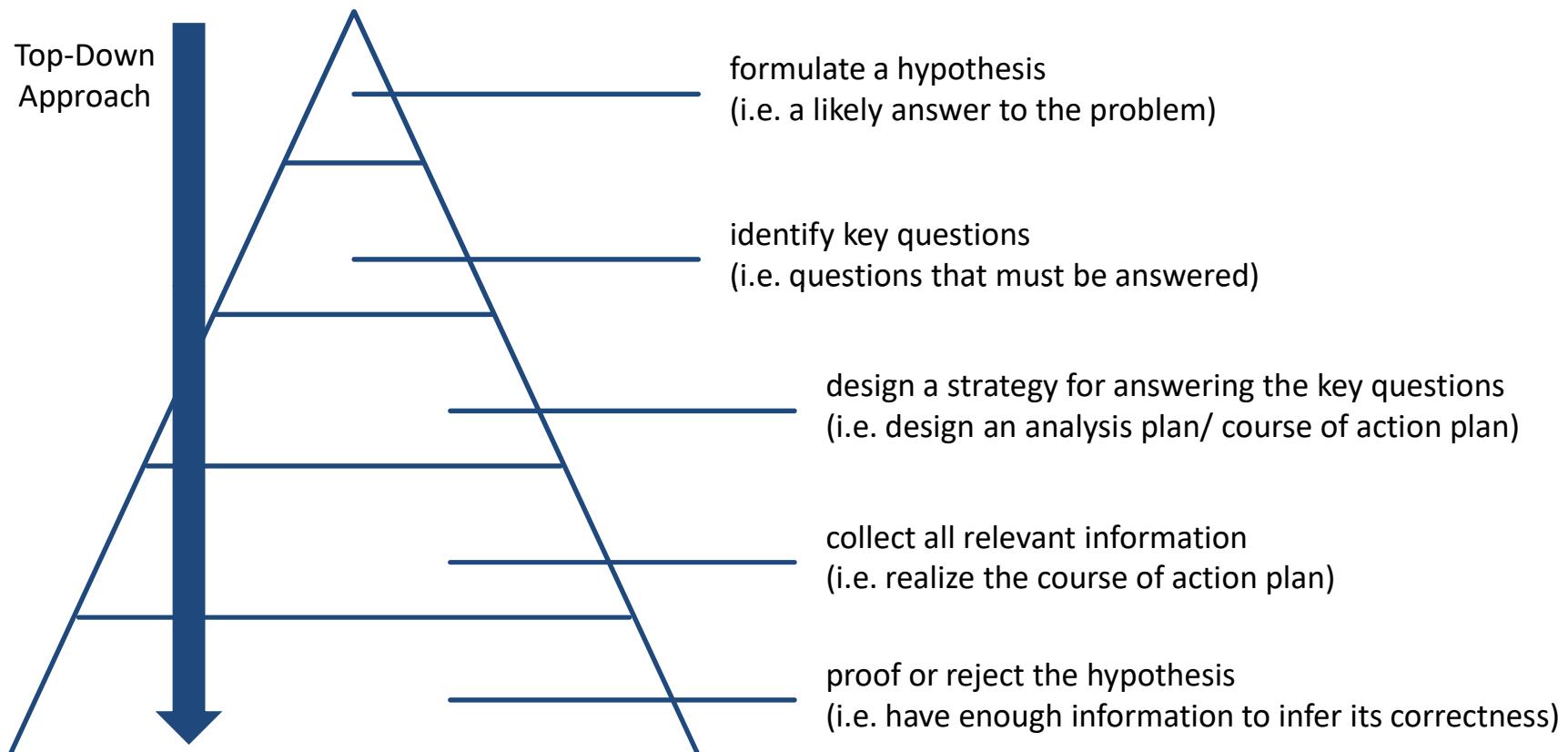
In the 1980s Alan H. Schoenfeld analyzed the way how students (newbies) and trained mathematicians (expert) solved difficult mathematical problems.

He observed that roughly 60% of the students participating in his test read the problem quickly chose an approach to it. Then they pursued that approach regardless of clear evidence that they were not making any progress.

Contrary to this approach, the typical approach of a faculty member to solve a difficult two-part problem was such that they spend almost half of their allotted time of 20 minutes with making sense of the problem. Thus analyzing and systematically exploring the problem and starting the implementation of the solution only when convinced of working in the right direction. Moreover, they gave explicit comments on the state of the problem solution (triangles), like "hmm. I don't know exactly where to start here" or "Ok, all I need to be able to do ...".



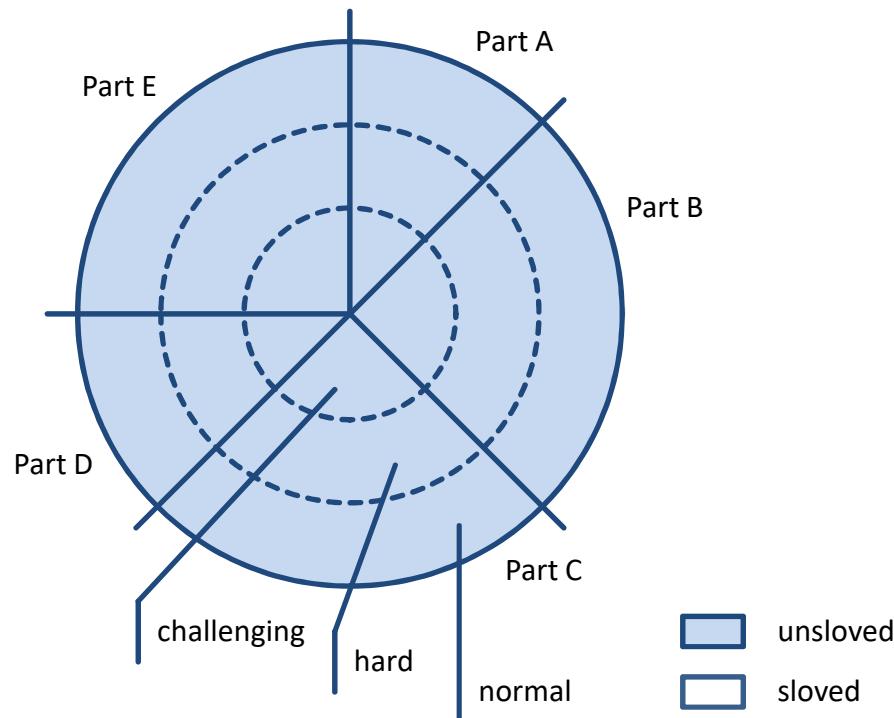
Generally, problem solving needs to be viewed as a hypothesis driven approach that leads to validation or rejection of an answer hypothesis



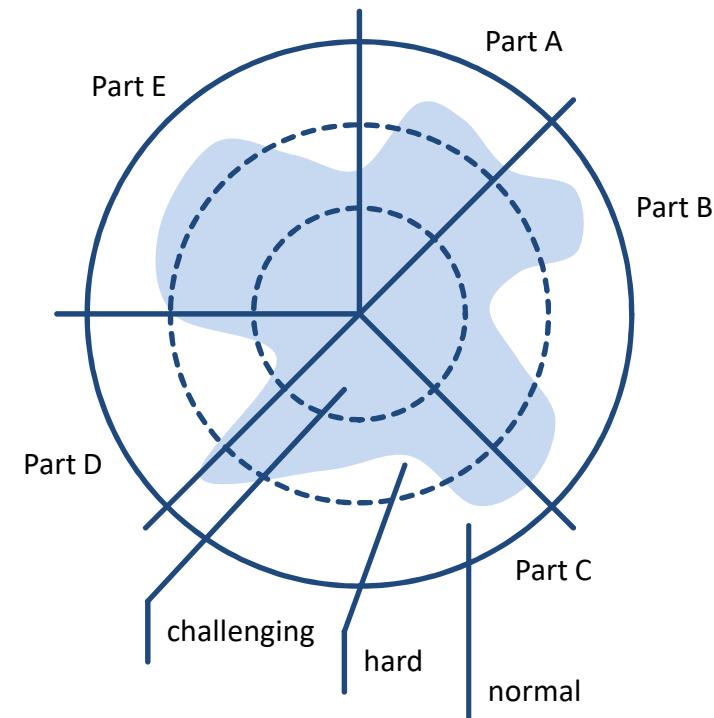


Moreover, it is always recommended to segment a problem and then start the solution process from the “easy” questions to the “hard” ones

Segmentation of the Problem



Start the Solution From Outside-In for Each Part





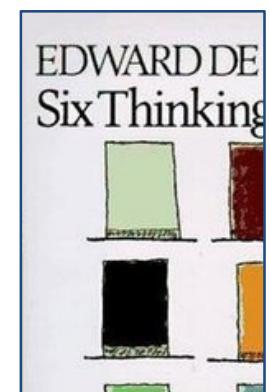
A condensed approach to holistically cover all aspects of a given problem is the method of De Bono's “six thinking hats” (1/ 2)



Eduard de Bono
(19. May 1933 – 9. June 2021)

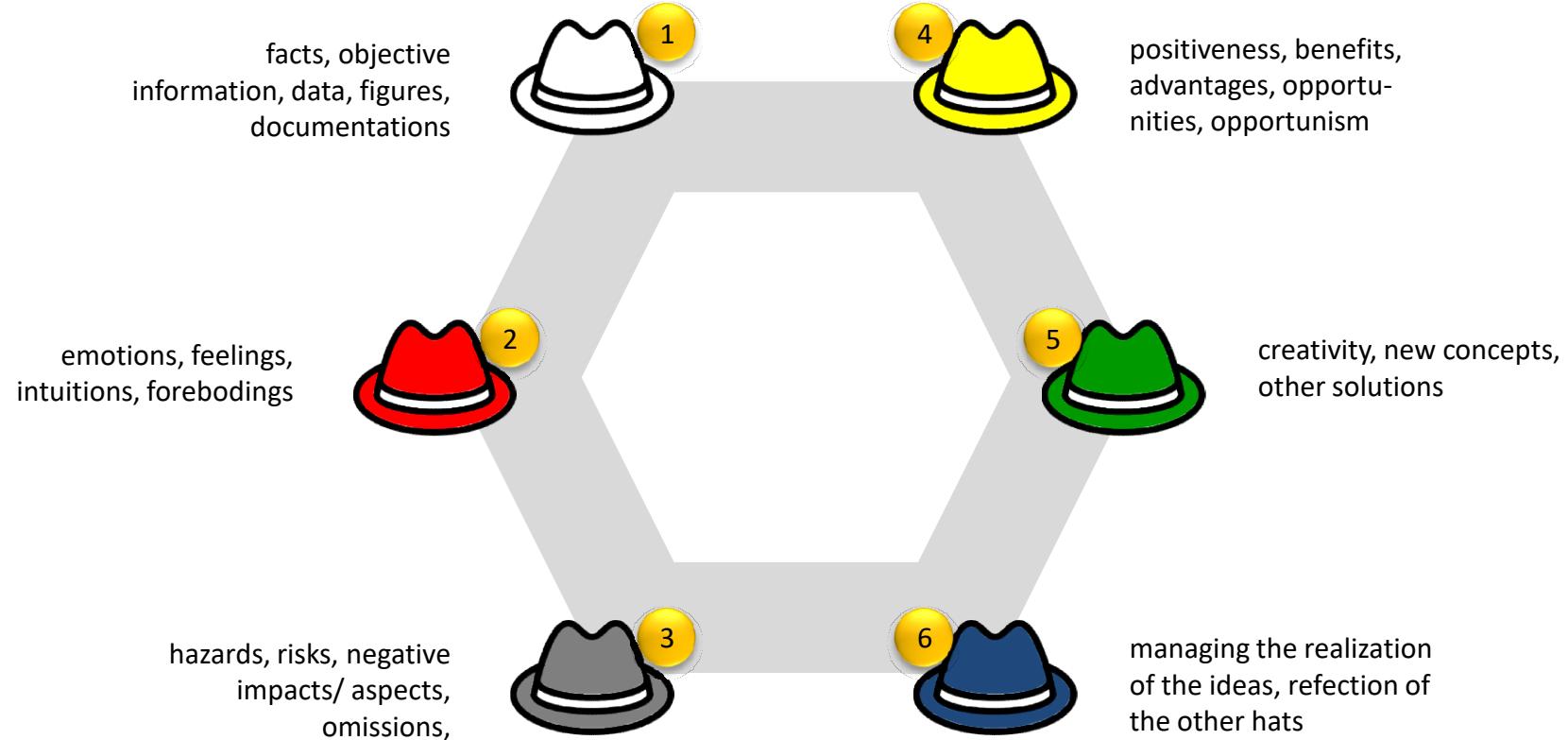
The premise of the method is that the human brain thinks in six distinct directions which can be deliberately challenged, and hence planned for use in a structured way allowing one to develop tactics for thinking about particular issues.

In each of these directions the brain will identify and bring into conscious thought certain aspects of issues being considered (e.g. gut instinct, pessimistic judgment, neutral facts). None of these directions is a completely natural way of thinking, but rather how some of us already represent the results of our thinking.





A condensed approach to holistically cover all aspects of a given problem is the method of De Bono's "six thinking hats" (2/ 2)





De Bono's “six thinking hats” in action (1/ 3): Use these templates to structure your case study discussions

1

1st step: the white thinking hat

facts, objective information, data, figures, documentations, ...



How do the objective facts look like? What figures, which kinds of scientific data or what reliable results are there?

With the white thinking hat you view the world in an objective, emotionless, and neutral way and collect data and facts only.

Application to the case study:

2

2nd step: the red thinking hat

emotions, feelings, intuitions, forebodings, ...



How do you feel about the situation? What emotions do you have? What does your intuition and your gut feeling say?

With the red thinking hat you view the world only in terms of emotions, intuition, and forebodings.

Application to the case study:



De Bono's “six thinking hats” in action (2/ 3): Use these templates to structure your case study discussions

3

3rd step: the black thinking hat

hazards, risks, negative impacts/ aspects, omissions, ...



Which objectively justifiable negative aspects and facts are there? Which threads, risks, imponderables exist?

With the black thinking hat you are the devils advocate and can let your pessimistic side loose.

Application to the case study:

4

4th step: the yellow thinking hat

positiveness, benefits, advantages, opportunities, opportunism, ...



Which objectively justifiable positive aspects and facts are there? What chances exist? What are additional benefits?

With the yellow thinking hat you view the world benevolently optimistic and positive.

Application to the case study:



De Bono's “six thinking hats” in action (3/ 3): Use these templates to structure your case study discussions

5

5th step: the green thinking hat

creativity, new concepts,
other solutions, ...



Which creative and new ideas do you have? What
could be done in another way?

With the green thinking hat you use your fantasy and have a creative
and playful perspective. New ideas are welcome.

Application to the case study:

6

6th step: the blue thinking hat

managing the realization of your insights,
refection of the other hats, ...



Can you summarize the gathered insights? Have
you considered all hats equally? Are there open
questions?

With the blue thinking hat you take a meta perspective, and also think
about the consequences and implications of your insights.

Application to the case study:



The Theory of Inventive Problem Solving (TRIZ) provides a structured/ methodological approach to innovations



Raphael Borissowitsch
Shapiro
(13. Jan. 1926 – 16. Jul. 1993)

during the 1950s and 60s:
comprehensive analysis of approx. 40000 patents with
respect to their economic success



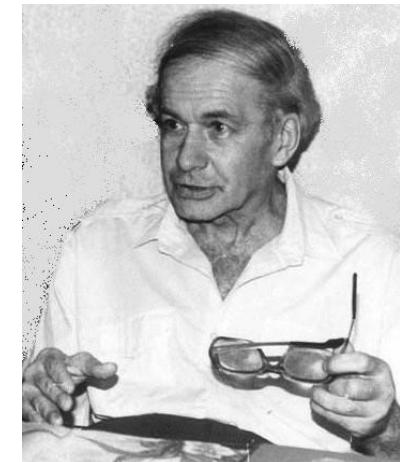
generally applicable guidelines and laws for innovation

essential innovation guidelines:

1. a large amount of innovations is based on 40 of general solution principles
2. the overcoming of contradictions (between 39 technical parameters) renders innovations possible
3. the evolution of technological systems follows certain patterns and laws



structured, methodological & systematic
“Theory of Inventive Problem Solving”



Genrich Saulowitsch
Altschuller
(15. Oct. 1926 – 24. Sep. 1998)



Herby, a specific problem is transformed to an abstracted setting for which standard solutions exist that are then further concretized

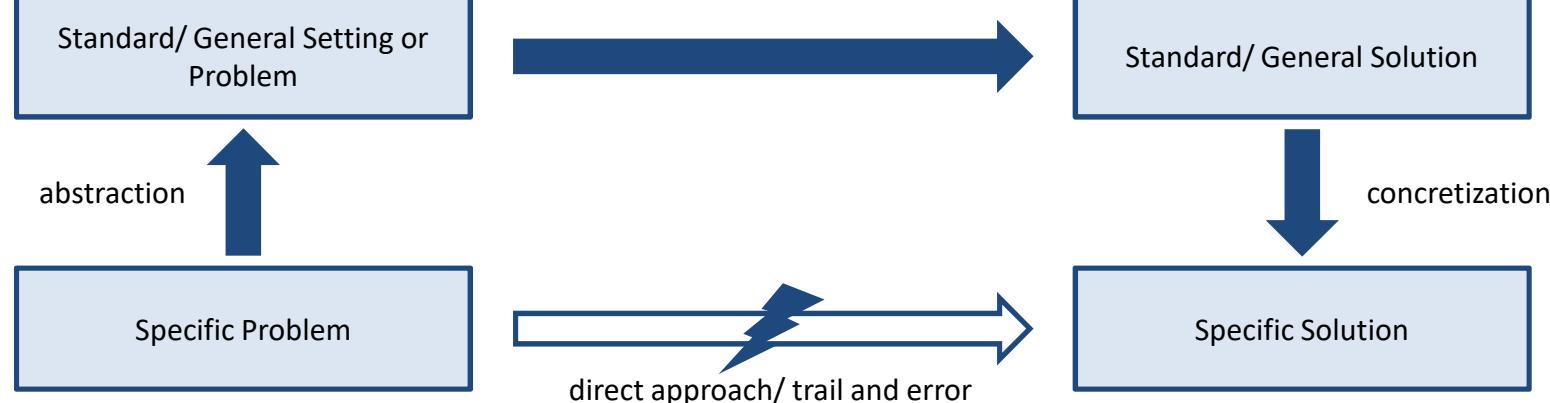
innovation = overcoming contradictions

difficult problems that require an inventive/ innovative solution approach typically arise from a contradiction between the optimization goals of technical parameters

	weight of moving object	weight of stationary object	length of moving object	length of stationary object	surface of moving object	surface of stationary object	volume of moving object	volume of stationary object	speed
1	weight of moving object	13, 6 29, 34	29, 17 33, 34	22, 23 40, 49	1, 8 13, 19				
2	weight of stationary object		10, 1 20, 26	15, 20 15, 2	5, 15 7, 17	14, 2 4, 35			
3	length of moving object	8, 15 21, 38		15, 17 4	7, 17 4, 35		15, 6 8, 14		
4	length of stationary object	10, 18 40, 20		17, 7 15, 49	2, 14 17, 2		15, 6 2, 14		
5	surface of moving object	2, 13 23, 4	14, 18 15, 2		1, 14 17, 1	17, 7 17, 2		15, 11 2, 34	
6	surface of stationary object	20, 2 14, 18	20, 7 15, 19		1, 7, 4 17, 1	1, 7, 4 17, 1		20, 4 30, 34	
7	volume of moving object	2, 20 21, 43	1, 7, 4 17, 1	1, 7, 4 17, 1					
8	volume of stationary object	16, 10 18, 14	18, 11 18, 14	16, 8 14, 14	29, 33 34	7, 20 34			
9	speed	2, 28 11, 33	12, 14 8	29, 33 34	7, 20 34				

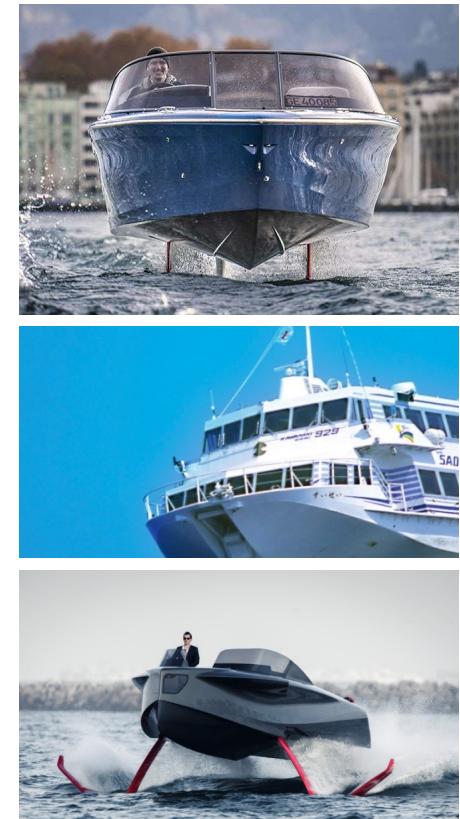
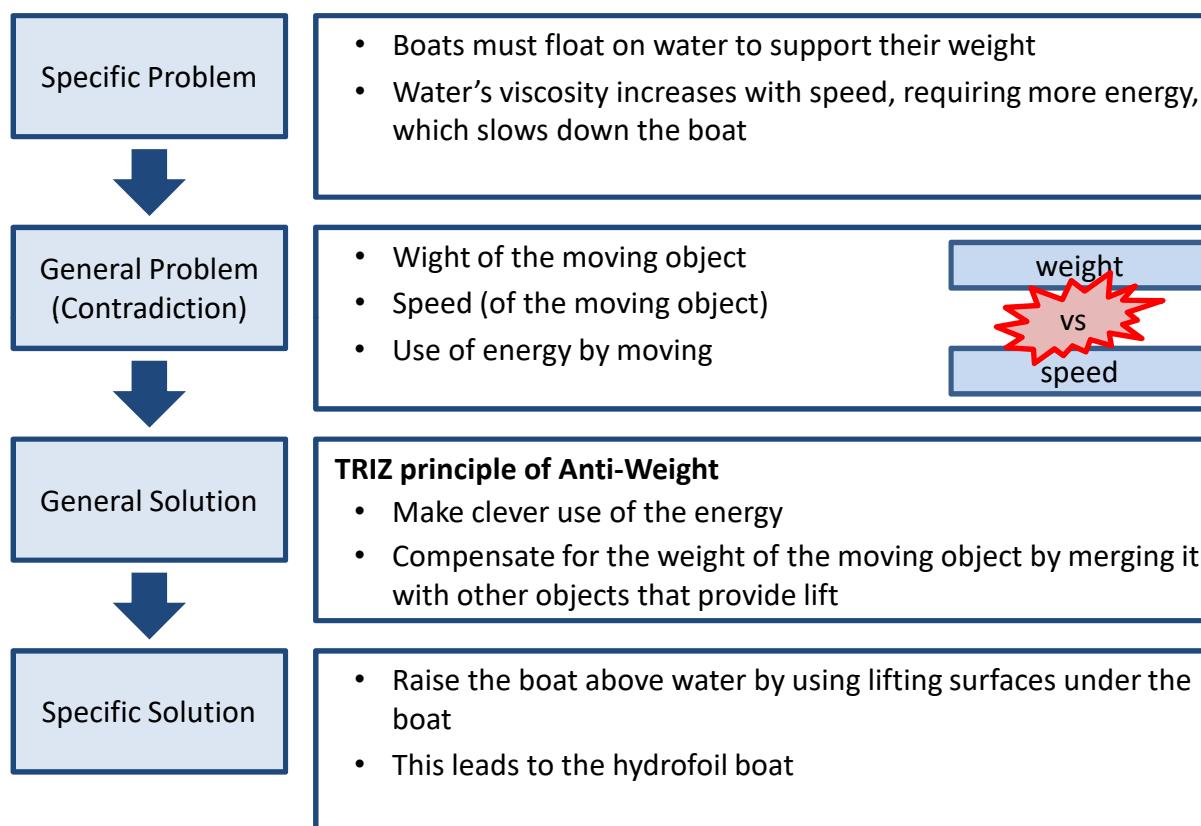
TRIZ key insights:

- 39 technical parameters
- 39x39 contradiction matrix
- 40 innovative principles





Example: How to make a faster boat?





Key is the contradiction matrix that contains prosing innovation principles for each combination of conflicting technical parameters

example: part of the contradiction matrix



gets worse,
degrades



gets better,
improves

	weight of moving object			15, 8, 29, 34		29, 17, 38, 34		29, 2, 40, 28		2, 8, 15, 38		
1	weight of moving object											
2	weight of stationary object				10, 1, 29, 35		35, 30, 13, 2		5, 35, 14, 2			
3	length of moving object	8, 15, 29, 34				15, 17, 4		7, 17, 4, 35		13, 4, 8		
4	length of stationary object		35, 28, 40, 29				17, 7, 10, 40		35, 8, 2, 14			
5	surface of moving object	2, 17, 29, 4		14, 15, 18, 4				7, 14, 17, 4		29, 30, 4, 34		
6	surface of stationary object		30, 2, 14, 18		26, 7, 9, 39							
7	volume of moving object	2, 26, 29, 40		1, 7, 4, 35		1, 7, 4, 17				29, 4, 38, 34		
8	volume of stationary object		35, 10, 19, 14	19, 14	35, 8, 2, 14							
9	speed	2, 28, 13, 38		13, 14, 8		29, 30, 34		7, 29, 34				

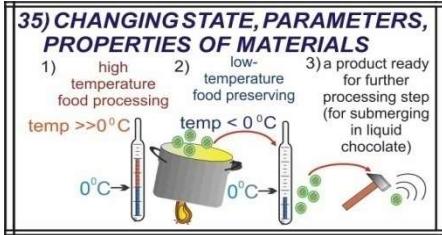
innovation principles
that can be used in
the case that the
length of the
stationary object
decreases but its
volume may
increase

in 2003 the original matrix got
up-dated to cover the empty
spots

the contradiction matrix is of
course already digitalized



For instance, the improving length of a stationary object with a degradation of its volume can be solved by applying principles 35, 8, 2, and 14



Parameter Changes

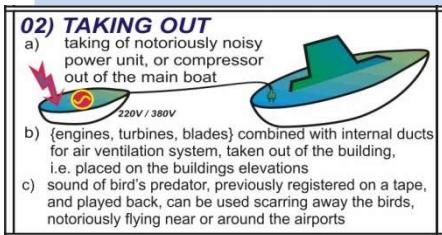
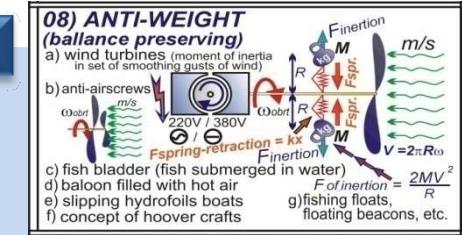
- Change an object's physical state (e.g. to a gas, liquid, or solid.)
- Change the concentration or consistency.
- Change the degree of flexibility. Change the temperature.

35, 8,
2, 14

Anti-Weight

To compensate for the weight of an object,

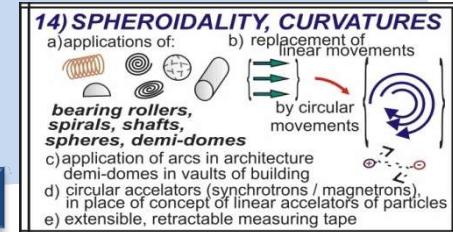
- merge it with other objects that provide lift.
- make it interact with the environment (e.g. use aerodynamic, hydrodynamic, buoyancy and other forces).



Taking Out

Spheroidality - Curvature

- Instead of using rectilinear parts, surfaces, or forms, use curvilinear ones; move from flat surfaces to spherical ones; from parts shaped as a cube (parallelepiped) to ball-shaped structures.
- Use rollers, balls, spirals, domes.
- Go from linear to rotary motion, use centrifugal forces.



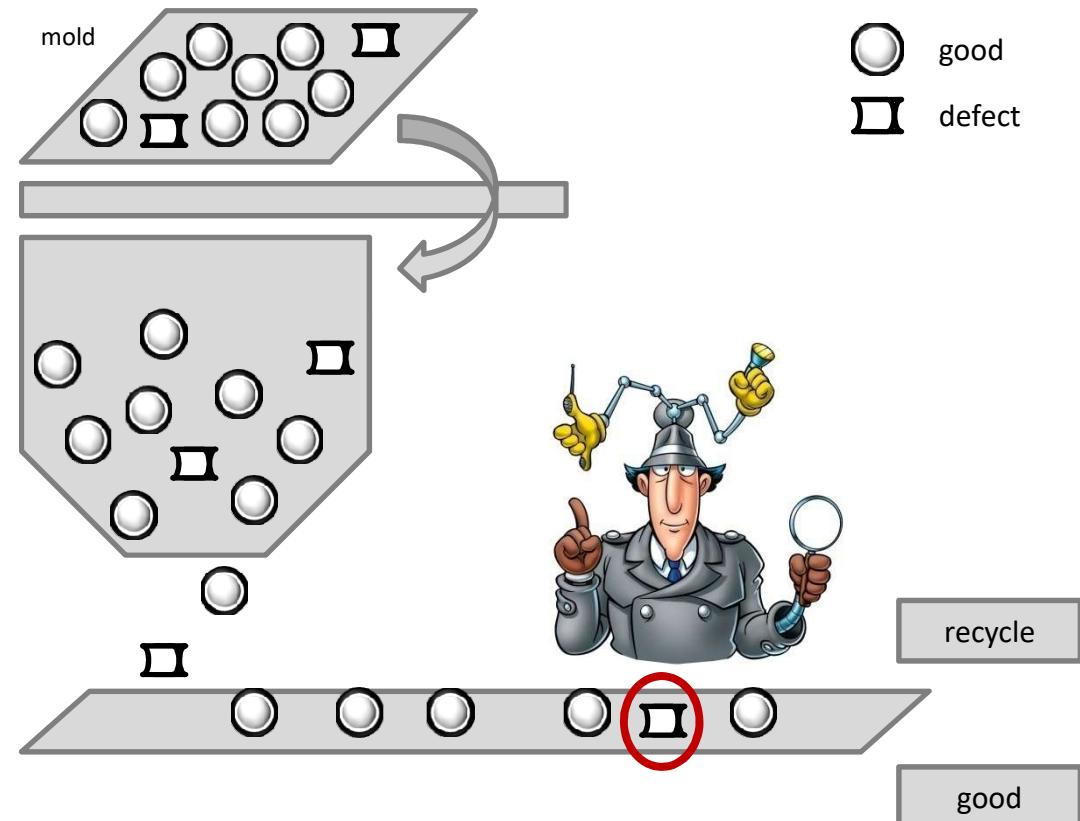


Example: Application of innovation principle 14 (Spheroidality - Curvature)

Example for Principle 14

Situation:

- During the production of pharmaceutical pills certain defects are unavoidable
- These defects are sorted out by dedicated inspectors
- In order to save costs, you want to replace the inspectors with a 200 T GBP video inspection system
- This offers to be a high return on investment project, but capital is not available
- Hence, we have to “find another way”



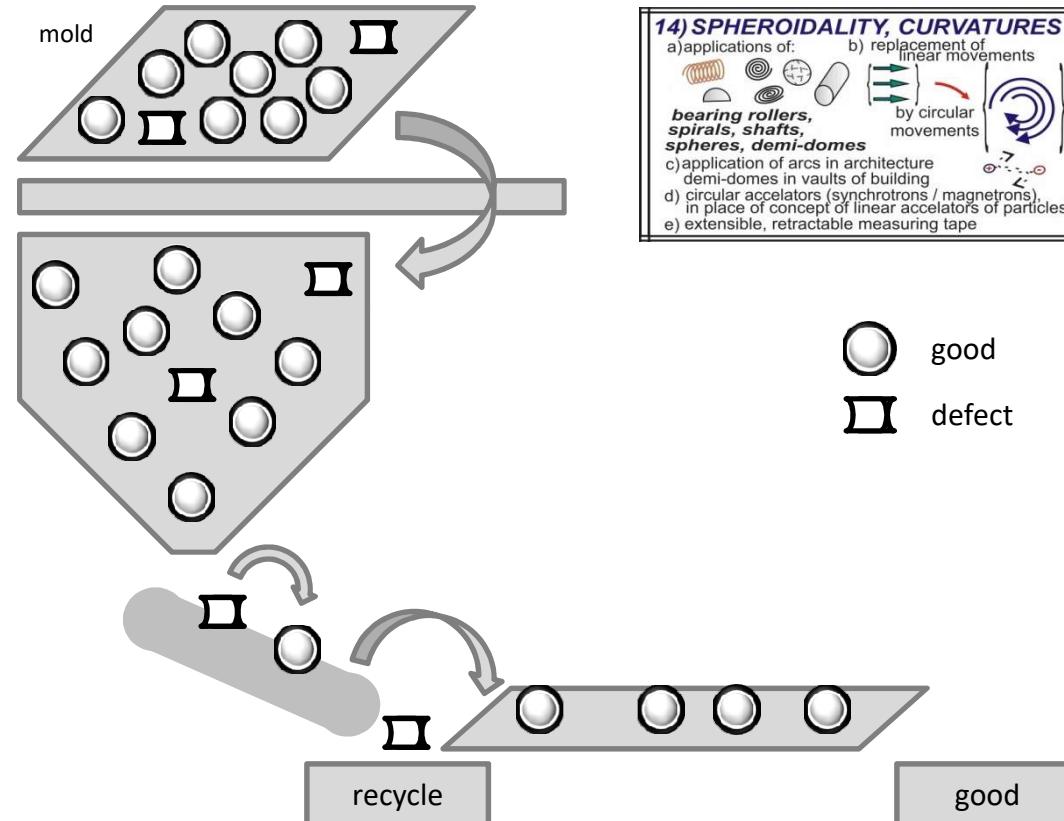


Example: Application of innovation principle 14 (Spheroidality - Curvature)

Example for Principle 14

Solution:

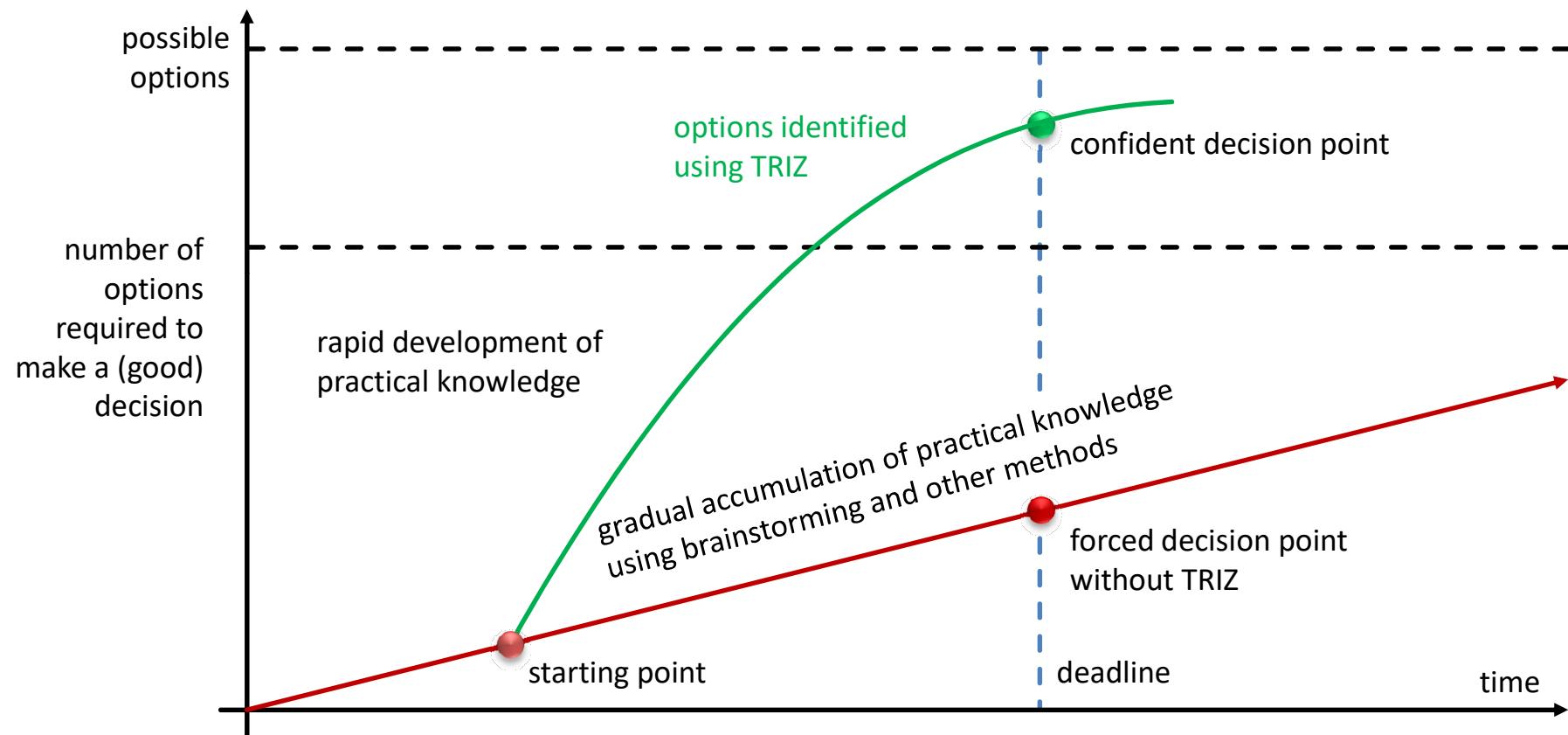
- What is the ideal idea of the solution?
Well, we do not want any defect pills in the bottles
- What are the resources/ technical parameters we have?
The good and defect pills differ in shape. The good pills are spherical and can easily roll on a shaking rack. The defect ones do not have this technical property
- Can we use the defect as a resource to solve the problem?





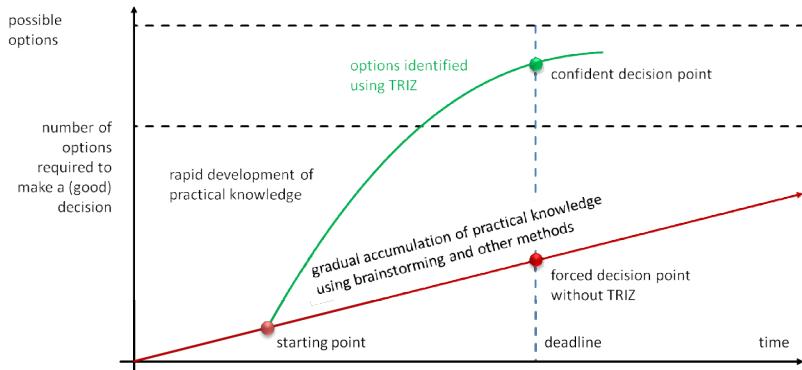
Due to its systematic approach TRIZ solutions are often superior to solutions obtained by traditional methods (1/ 2)

<https://deskofacommonsensei.wordpress.com/2016/12/20/improving-solution-quality-in-six-sigma-using-triz-innovative-methodologies/>





Due to its systematic approach TRIZ solutions are often superior to solutions obtained by traditional methods (2/ 2)



- The TRIZ process combines a creative brainstorming environment with a focus and instructional knowledge-based problem-solving method based on the most repetitive and innovative solutions in history.
- The result is an exhaustive set of conceptual solutions quickly generated to explore using standard solutions, principles and scientific effects, otherwise it will take longer to discover and combine into a feasible ideal solution.



Group-work: Find a way to avoid production defects without X-ray sorting

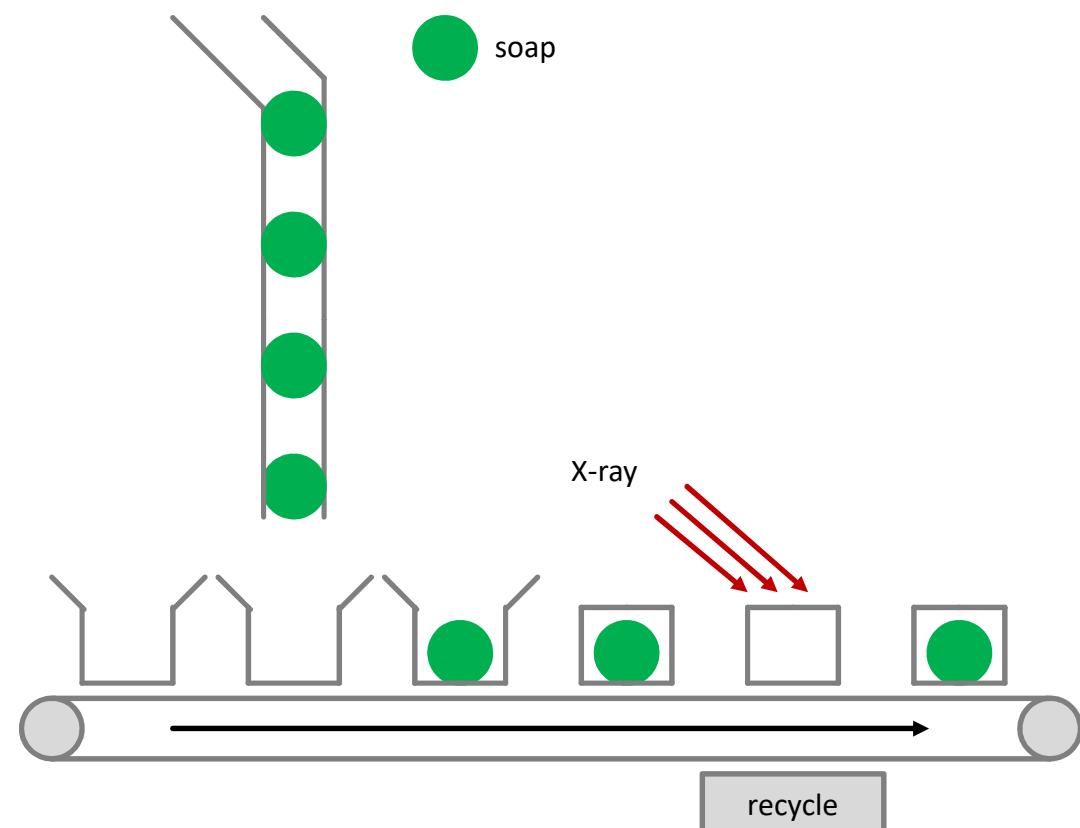
Group-work (15 min)

Situation:

- We need to replace the X-ray sorting in order to keep an environmental certificate that is important to our customers
- What is the ideal idea of the solution?

What are your suggestions?
- What are the resources/ technical parameters we have?

What are your suggestions?
- Can we use the defect as a resource to solve the problem?



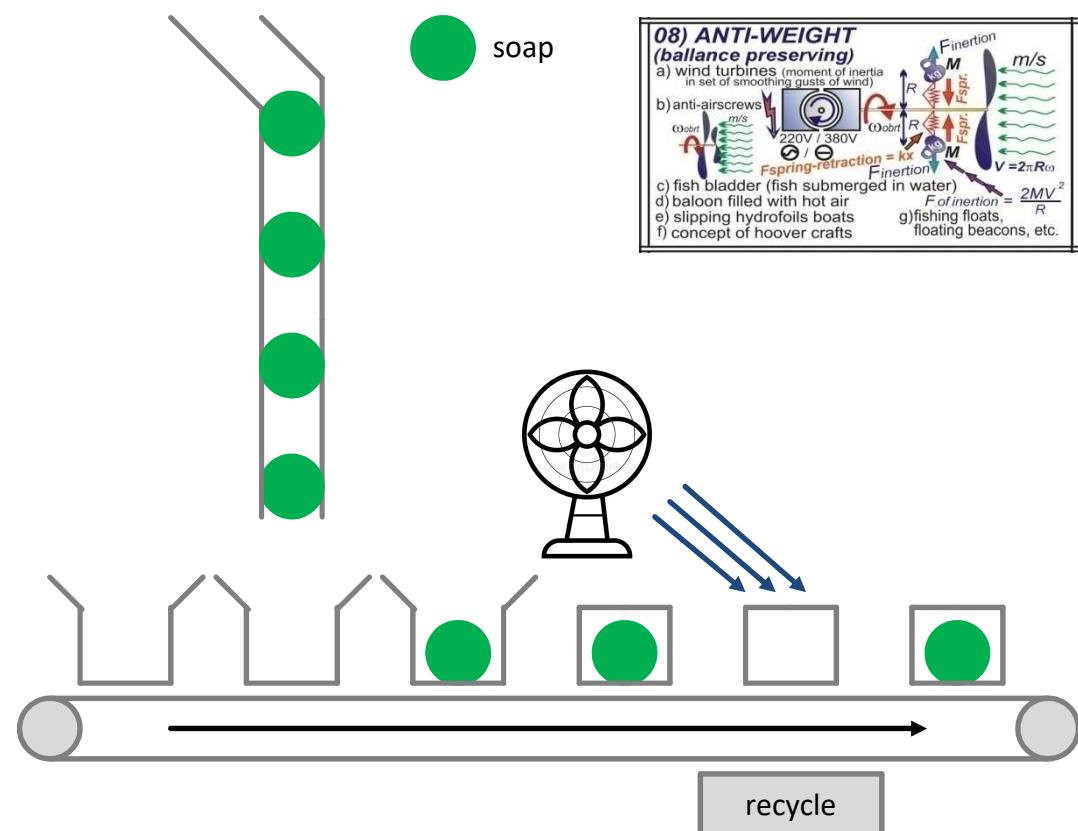


Group-work: Find a way to avoid production defects without X-ray sorting

Solution

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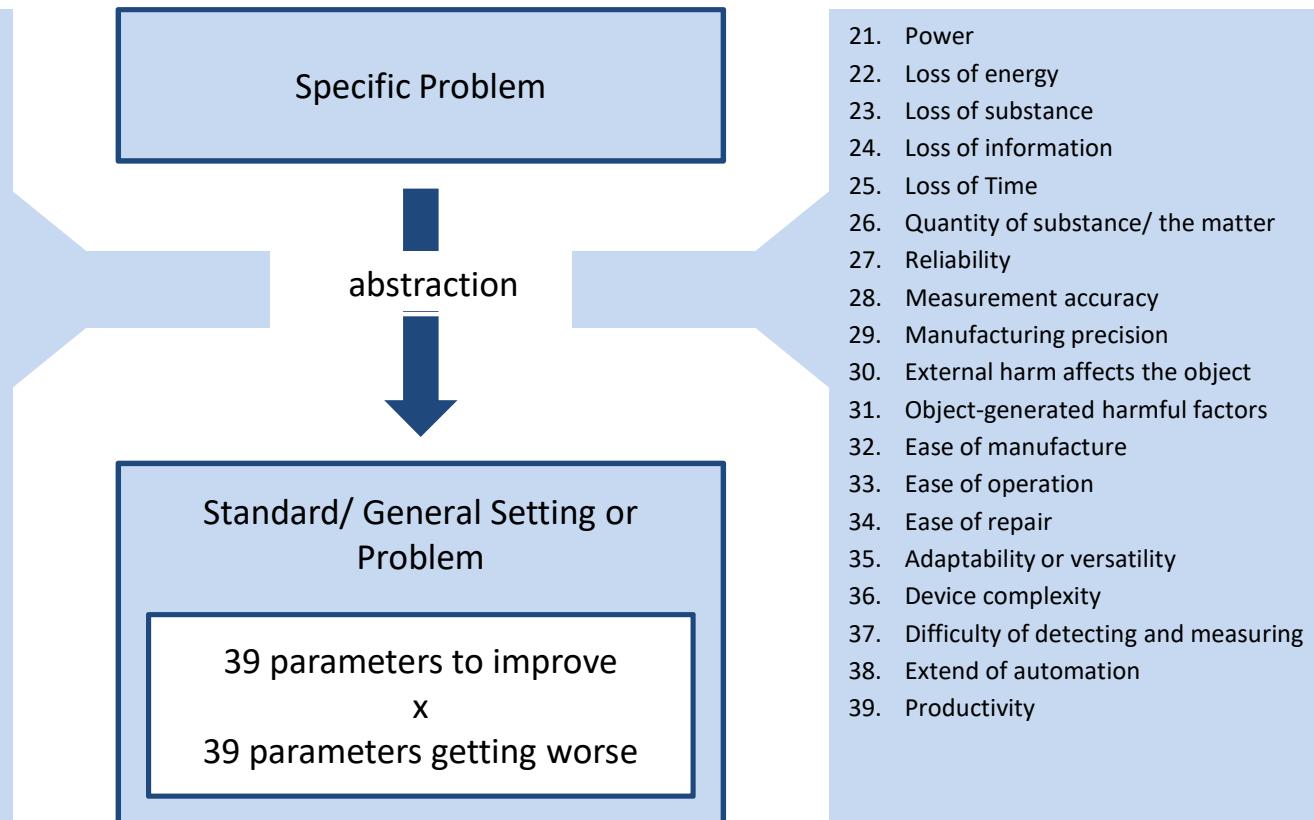
- Technical parameters at the defect:
 - loss of substance (parameter that is getting worse)
 - loss of weight (parameter that is getting better)
- Due to the defect (no soap inside the box) the box is considerably lighter compared 'good' product
- We can use a stream of air to blow the defect product from the assembly line into a recycling basket





Summary 1: The abstraction of a specific problem is achieved by considering 39 technical parameters

1. Weight of moving object
2. Weight of stationary object
3. Length of moving object
4. Length of stationary object
5. Area of moving object
6. Area of stationary object
7. Volume of moving object
8. Volume of stationary object
9. Speed
10. Force
11. Stress or pressure
12. Shape
13. Stability of the object's composition
14. Strength
15. Duration of action by a moving object
16. Duration of action by a stationary
17. Temperature
18. Illumination intensity
19. Use of energy by moving object
20. Use of energy by stationary object



21. Power
22. Loss of energy
23. Loss of substance
24. Loss of information
25. Loss of Time
26. Quantity of substance/ the matter
27. Reliability
28. Measurement accuracy
29. Manufacturing precision
30. External harm affects the object
31. Object-generated harmful factors
32. Ease of manufacture
33. Ease of operation
34. Ease of repair
35. Adaptability or versatility
36. Device complexity
37. Difficulty of detecting and measuring
38. Extend of automation
39. Productivity



Summary 2: The solution of the general problem is achieved by considering 40 innovation principles (1/ 2)

1. Skipping
2. "Blessing in disguise"
3. Feedback
4. Intermediary
5. Self-service
6. Copying
7. Cheap short-living objects
8. Mechanics substitution
9. Pneumatics and hydraulics
10. Flexible shells and thin films
11. Porous materials
12. Color changes
13. Homogeneity
14. Discarding and recovering
15. Parameter changes
16. Phase transitions
17. Thermal expansion
18. Strong oxidants
19. Inert atmosphere
20. Composite materials

01) DIVISION	11) BEFOREHAND CUSHIONING	21) SKIPPING, QUICK MODE, OR PACE OF REALIZATION	31) POROUS MATERIALS
a) a ship built, made of removable / replaceable bulkheads b) multi-engine aircraft c) multi-piston engine of internal combustion d) a toy made of Lego blocks e) breakable chocolate f) multi-grip fixtures g) a blinded file of paper sheets h) multi-blade cartridge razors i) multi-blade airscrews of aircrafts, or wind power-plants	a) for instance: a method of "dressing" of the cut tree branches (this action actually forces a tree to beforehand reaction, to gather hemispherical substances) b) driver's airbag c) masking of the chosen elements, within patches on the object, before its painting d) gathering crops in summer and autumn seasons, while preparing for winter harsh weather conditions	a) vacuuming materials in quick thermal processing b) laser processing of hardy processed materials (both extreme temperatures and hard without normally deformed and hard burnings) c) pico-second pulsed lasers (femto-second lasers) d) steel hardening process various materials virtually have been vapored, while thermal energy has been absorbed by pulses e) "vacuum" as a self-regenerating process, collecting and depositing of chips f) steel hardening process in abrupt temperatures changes	a) aerated concrete (porous concrete) b) porous abrasive tools c) polyurethane foam d) spray-coating surfaces in chemistry e) "vacuum" as a self-regenerating process, grinding of abrasives f) openwork structures reinforcements
02) TAKING OUT	12) EQUIPOTENTIALITY	22) "BLESSING IN DISGUISE" (CONVERT HARM INTO BENEFIT)	32) COLOUR CHANGING (ALTERNATING)
a) taking of notoriously noisy power unit, or compressor out of the main boat b) (engines, turbines, blades) combined with internal ducts for air ventilation system, taken out of the building, i.e. placed on the buildings elevations c) sounds of the planes, previously registered on a tape, and played back, can be used scaring away the birds, notoriously flying near or around the airports	a) a sequence of linear movements is replaced by single seamless movement or section of arc a sequence of linear movements is replaced by circular movement usually in sequence of linear movements is replaced with press deflected on remotely fasten long arm b) dissolvable surgeon threads c) rather to cool down stuck inner object, than to heat up other bigger outer object, which seizes the former one	a) burning out inside/outside of the bungings from top of oil well in detonation blast b) parmafrost materials are to be "treated" with liquid nitrogen c) the material's permafrost rapidly liquefies	a) in lapping process for inner surfaces of engine pistons & cylinders, the probing of phosphorescence distribution can be used
03) LOCAL QUALITY	13) INVERSION (UPSIDE DOWN)	23) FEEDBACK PRINCIPLE	33) HOMOGENEITY
a) dustless excavation of coal - the dust is captured by filter complete inside of the water cone b) weighed average from marks c) keep the dust in a place d) bigger droplets outside of the cone e) keep the dust in a place f) weighed estimation produced for rankings of computers, printers, etc.	a) for instance: in reversing the working mode of vacuum cleaner (then, vapour could be used in cleaning of carpets) b) to turn mounted object c) upside down of the bending line d) turning object in move, while motorless turning tool, against milling (mobile milling cutter) e) binary tree's structure is sought from root to leaves in one (in-depth) search algorithms, while another algorithm seeks through nodes from leaves to root	a) basically, as well as particularly: input signal → object → output signal (indoor's temperature regulation) closed loop with negative feedback b) autopilot provided with 3-axis gyro system c) local amorphous layer back-controlled in set of 1) direct - 2) projection - 3) reflection either: protractor, or linear scale - placed in between	the two interfacing surfaces should be made of the same material moreover, the similarities can be applied, regarding: - comparable matt's hardness, chemical inertness, structures - comparable thermal expansion's coefficients, (in case of dental materials, metal-glass junctions), - comparable electro-chemical potential - same fatigue characteristics, and amortization specifics
04) ASYMMETRY	14) SPHEROIDALITY, CURVATURES	24) INTERMEDIATE MEANS, "FITTING" PRINCIPLE	34) DISCARDING & RECOVERING, (REJECT & PARTS REGENERATION)
a) slanted tire asymmetrically reinforced from outside due to contact with pavement curb b) left- or right-handed rules of priority, in right of road	a) applications of: b) replacement of gear movements by circular movements c) applications in architecture d) semi-domes in vaults of building e) circular accelerators (synchrotrons / magnetrons) in place of concept of linear accelerators of particles f) extensible, retractable measuring tape	a) in electronic circuits fitting either: - impedance - or resistance, of input source to the receiver b) fitting in mean of: - pressure-flowing (fluid mechanics) - local movements - in transition gears (mechanical fitting) - stress of two interfacing surfaces (endurance)	a) IV stage b) III stage c) II stage dissolvable medication capsules made of (biologically inert material) III stage rocket's stages subsequently discarded during the flight cornstarch-based packages for dry products
05) MERGING	15) DYNAMICS	25) SELF-SERVICING PRINCIPLE	35) CHANGING STATE, PARAMETERS, PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS
a) several computers combined into functioning network b) a hedge made of pales c) textiles made of wool/polyester/cotton fibres d) roofing tiles combined into coverage of house roof e) mobile concrete mixer, mobile crane, refrigerator, merged into single mobile machine unit, combining of the stationary machines with mobile undercarriages	a) automatically extensible/opened doors, air-locks etc., reacting when it is needed b) automatic gears in mobiles c) undercarriages in cars of variable stiffness characteristics, tuned exactly to terrain conditions during the driving d) electronic controllers for carburetor, electronically controlled fuel injection in dependency of driving conditions	a) self-servicing decicing system b) halogen lamps	1) high temperature food processing 2) low temperature food preserving 3) a product ready for further processing step (for submerging in liquid chocolate)

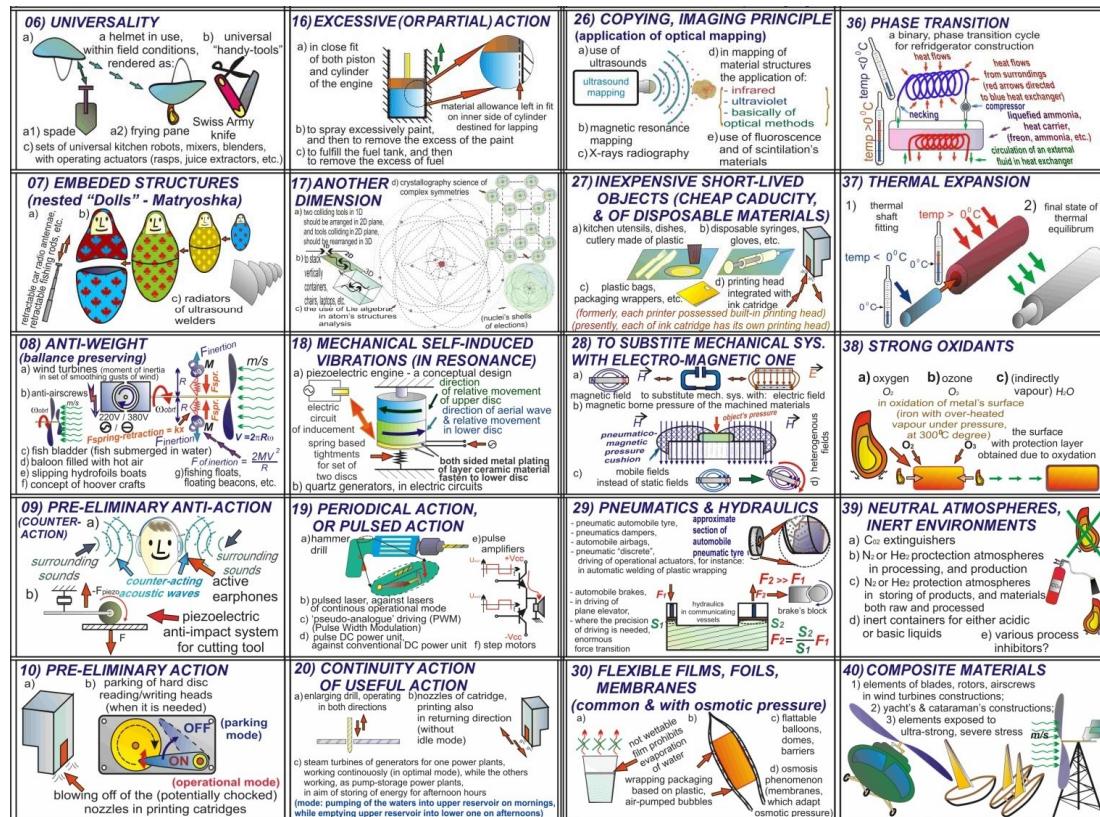
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Summary 2: The solution of the general problem is achieved by considering 40 innovation principles (2/ 2)

1. Segmentation
 2. Taking out
 3. Local quality
 4. Asymmetry
 5. Merging
 6. Universality
 7. Nested doll
 8. Anti-weight
 9. Preliminary anti-action
 10. Preliminary action
 11. Beforehand cushioning
 12. Equipotentiality
 13. The other way round
 14. Spheroidality – Curvature
 15. Dynamics
 16. Partial or excessive actions
 17. Another dimension
 18. Mechanical vibrations
 19. Periodic action
 20. Continuity of useful action





Topics

A Path-Goal Model for Motivation and Creative Action

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A First Innovation Case Study



Case Study: Boehringer Ingelheim to optimize the current R&D portfolio



Optimizing a Current R&D Portfolio

A major pharmaceutical company needs an assessment of their R&D portfolio. Use de Bono's thinking hats to help it decide what to do.

Founded in 1885, the Boehringer Ingelheim group now is one of the world's top 20 leading pharmaceutical companies. Headquartered in Ingelheim, Germany, it operates globally with 145 affiliates and more than 44,000 employees. The company's key assets of interest are: respiratory disease, cardiovascular disease, Parkinson's disease, HIV, thromboembolic disease, cerebro-vascular disease, oncology, diabetes and hepatitis. Since it was founded in 1885, the Boehringer Ingelheim company has been committed to researching, developing, manufacturing and marketing novel products of high therapeutic value for human and veterinary medicine.

You've been retained by the CEO of Boehringer Ingelheim to look at their current research and development (R&D) portfolio and assess whether they're maximizing their potential with their current projects. Specifically, using de Bono's thinking hats, the CEO's questions to you are:

- How can you help them decide what information you would need?
- What components do you think would round out an R&D portfolio for Boehringer Ingelheim pharmaceutical company?
- Which innovation gathering methods may be beneficial? Why? How can they be applied?



Making sure to understand the situation and additional complications associated with the case

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Solution:

- ...



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- Difficult to introduce innovative concepts in all branches (maybe different approaches per branch/ region are required)
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- The right to exclusively distribute a drug is there only for a certain time



De Bono's "six thinking hats" in action (1/ 3): Boehringer Ingelheim to optimize the current R&D portfolio

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1st step: the white thinking hat

facts, objective information, data, figures, documentations, ...



How do the objective facts look like? What figures, which kinds of scientific data or what reliable results are there?

With the white thinking hat you view the world in an objective, emotionless, and neutral way and collect data and facts only.

Application to the case study:

- Economic progress data from the company and the market are required to judge the market situation correctly
- WHO data on "new" diseases and market trends
- Which products are the cash cows
- What is the available budget for changes
- Need for a legal person in the team to keep track of the regulatory aspects of drug development
- Information about the production level (for all products) incl. the amount of resources required currently

2

2nd step: the red thinking hat

emotions, feelings, intuitions, forebodings, ...



How do you feel about the situation? What emotions do you have? What does your intuition and your gut feeling say?

With the red thinking hat you view the world only in terms of emotions, intuition, and forebodings.

Application to the case study:

- Company must be ethical about their operations
- Should not make profit from make people suffering
- Intuition about the next great challenges: old age, male nutrition, effects of increased of world population, effects of climate change



De Bono's “six thinking hats” in action (2/ 3): Boehringer Ingelheim to optimize the current R&D portfolio

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3rd step: the black thinking hat

hazards, risks, negative impacts/ aspects, omissions, ...



Which objectively justifiable negative aspects and facts are there? Which threads, risks, imponderables exist?

With the black thinking hat you are the devils advocate and can let your pessimistic side loose.

Application to the case study:

- Developing new pharmaceuticals is financially risky
- A huge number of employees may not be “useful” (compensation for workers and their image)
- The company should be the first to have a new drug (to address a certain illness)
- We may risk lives with bad decisions

4

4th step: the yellow thinking hat

positiveness, benefits, advantages, opportunities, opportunism, ...



Which objectively justifiable positive aspects and facts are there? What chances exist? What are additional benefits?

With the yellow thinking hat you view the world benevolently optimistic and positive.

Application to the case study:

- Outlook to be more profitable
- Saving lives
- Greater well-being of the employees (company culture)
- Increased job opportunities/ new job opportunities/ job safety for people



De Bono's “six thinking hats” in action (3/ 3): Boehringer Ingelheim to optimize the current R&D portfolio

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5th step: the green thinking hat

creativity, new concepts,
other solutions, ...



Which creative and new ideas do you have? What could be done in another way?

With the green thinking hat you use your fantasy and have a creative and playful perspective. New ideas are welcome.

Application to the case study:

- Public competition for people for new drug/ manufacturing ideas
- The company should be able to cope with unexpected diseases
- Start working with universities, investment in re-growing resources and new chemical compounds
- Current trends could be taken advantage of, e.g. the need to take care for oneself
- Using this to market the company and gain additional research money, etc.
- Competitors may use more machines/ data mining/ new tech. ... are we missing some trends and market structure changes

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6th step: the blue thinking hat

managing the realization of your insights,
refection of the other hats, ...



Can you summarize the gathered insights? Have you considered all hats equally? Are there open questions?

With the blue thinking hat you take a meta perspective, and also think about the consequences and implications of your insights.

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1-page situation-complication-solution slide: Boehringer Ingelheim to optimize the current R&D portfolio

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Our case studies deal with some aspects of creative problem solving



Economic Priorities at GENCO

Analyze the past, present and future of the company GENCO. Develop priorities and rank them. Use de Bono's thinking hats to cover all aspects.

Professor M's Dilemma

Prof. M invented a production process for a medicament but her commercialization strategy is fuzzy. Use de Bono's thinking hats to cover all aspects.

Realigning Robotics Ltd.

Robotics Ltd. switched from software sales to hardware production, though forgot to align their financial position. What needs to be improved to survive?

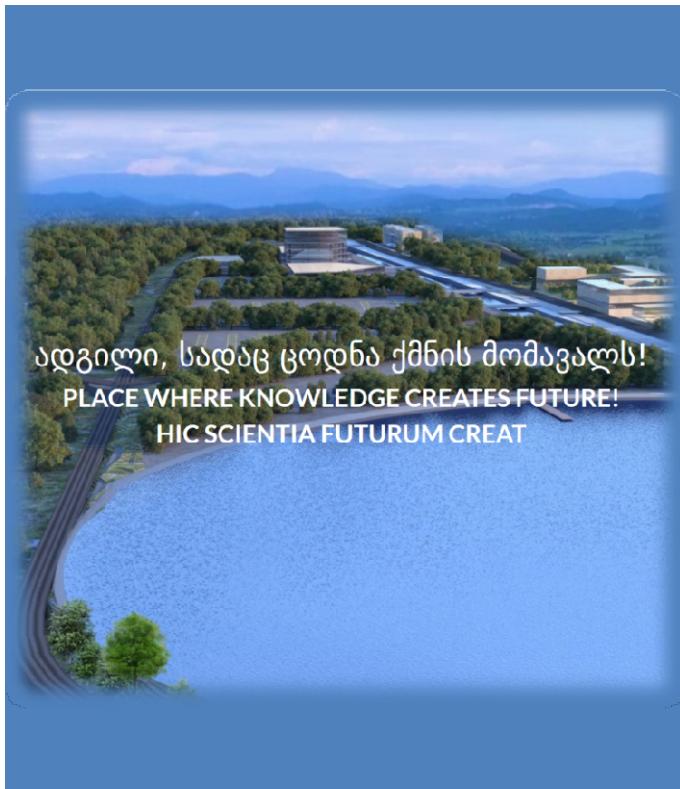
TRIZ Invention Study I

How can you make a pump to draw water from a well or river in a developing country for next to no cost using local materials?

TRIZ Invention Study II

How would you persuade drivers to keep to a sensible speed, whilst not impeding their progress when driving within the legal limits?

Please, arrange in groups of up to five members to discuss one or more of the following case studies. If you are unsure which case to take, go for one that is not discussed by your neighboring group such that all four cases can be presented in the final presentation and we can get the complete picture.



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Questions & Remarks?

Thank You Very Much