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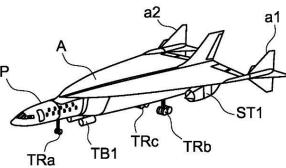
Translation, Terminology and the Fellowship Programme at WIPO

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Outline

- WIPO and the Patent Cooperation Treaty
- PCT Translation and Terminology
- The WIPO-PCT Fellowship Programme



World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Specialized UN agency for intellectual property (IP)

Mission:

- deliver global services for protecting IP
- shape international IP rules
- use IP for development
- provide access to the world's IP information via
 - PATENTSCOPE
 - Global Brand Database
 - WIPO Lex
 - WIPO Pearl (since Sep 2014)





Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

- Treaty administered by WIPO
- Unified procedure for filing patent applications in 149 countries
- 10 languages of filing
- Improve access to patent information via PATENTSCOPE
- Translation of
 - patent abstracts
 - patentability reports
 - o treaty, rules, resources, website, etc.





What is a patent?

- Provides protection for inventions
- Owner gains exclusive right to use invention for a period of time
- In return for publishing the technology
- Helps spread of new technology
- Owner can sell the right

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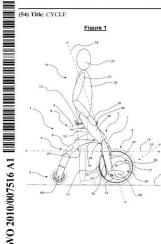
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(54) Title: CYCLE



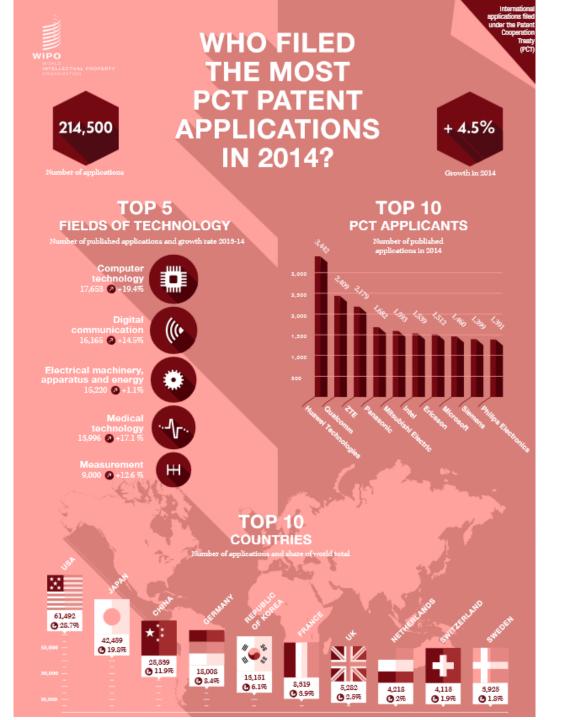
(57) Abstract: A cycle (1) for use by a rider (11) over a terrain surface (36). The cycle (1) includes a frame (2) having front (3) and rear (4) portions; a seat (13); a front wheel (5) rotatable about a primary axis (17) and attached to a steering member (7); a steering mechanism (8) coupled to the steering member (7); a rear wheel (6), rotatably attached to the rear frame portion (4); a drive mechanism (21 or 88) operatively coupled to the front (5) and/or rear (6) wheel; at least one footrest (12, 92) on the front wheel (5). The steering member (7) is pivotally attached to the front frame portion (3) for rotation about a secondary axis (15) orthogonal to the primary axis (17). The cycle (1) is configured such that a rider (11) can be seated on the seat (13) in operative contact with the steering mechanism (7) when the cycle (1) is in motion, whilst permitting both feet of the seated rider (11) to reach the terrain surface (36) when the cycle (1) is stationary.

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Main advantages of the PCT

- Date of first filing is valid internationally
- More time to assess business / patentability options
- More information
- Costs of filing for patent protection in each country are delayed
- Keeps options open in 149 countries





Source: WIPO, Infographics, 2014



PCT Translation



- Translation of abstracts and patentability reports from PCT patent applications
- From: AR, DE, EN, ES, FR, JA, KO, PT, RU, ZH (10 languages)
- Into: EN, FR
- 130+ million translated words per year
- In-house translators + outsourcing
- AND: Terminology work

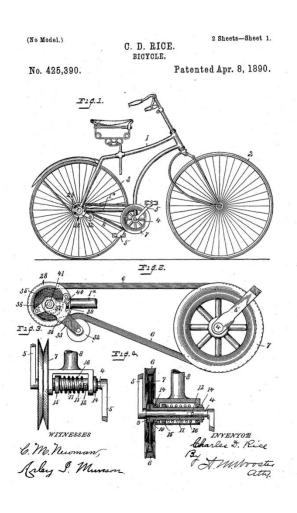


Patent abstract - minus terminology

Plastic having no and a
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between opposed of (12, 14) by heating and
pressing the between opposed (),
the having for the production of a
having substantially no
The are especially suited as for .
WO/1995/008133



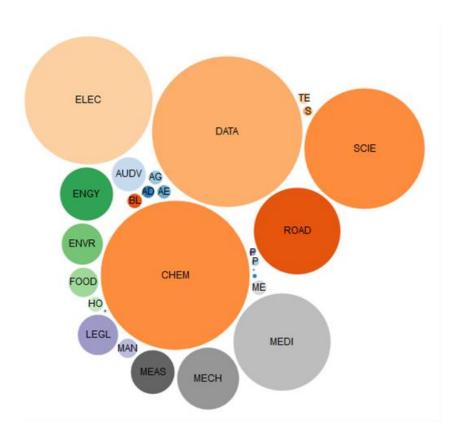
The PCT Termbase



- A database of terminology extracted from patents, to
 - promote accurate terminology
 - optimize translation quality
- Share with global users → WIPO Pearl



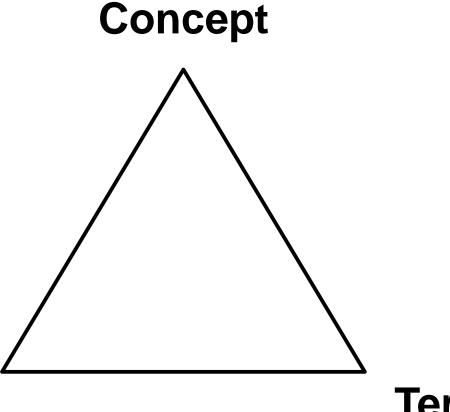
WIPO Pearl: Key features



- High-quality
 - Human-built
 - Validated
- 10 languages
 - 45 language combinations
- All fields of science and technology, also PCT legal
- Knowledge-rich
- Concept-based



What is "concept-based"?

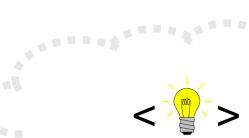


Object

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Example



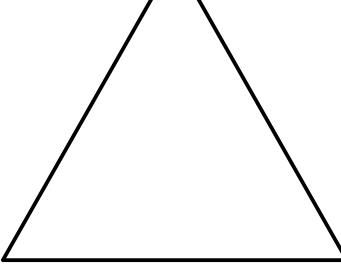
The concept

Characteristics:

- in a cabriolet
- in the headrest
- blows warm air
- for warming the neck

The object





The term(s)

- airscarf (EN)
- Nackenheizung (DE)
- Nackenfoehn (DE)
- Luftschal (DE)
- chauffage de nuque (FR)
- система Airscarf (RU), etc...

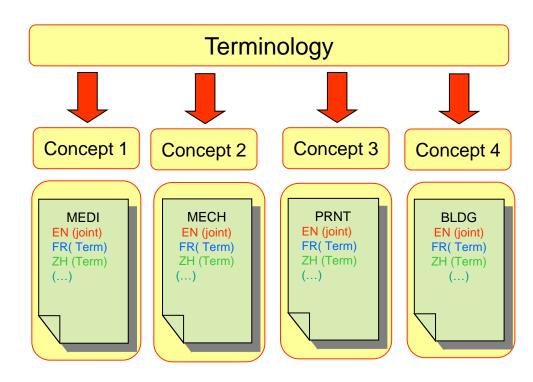
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Lexicography (e.g. dictionary) vs. Terminology

Lexicography

Joint MEDI (grammar, etymology, usage) + equivalents MECH (grammar, etymology, usage) + equivalents PRNT (grammar, etymology, usage) + equivalents

One word, one entry, multiple meanings



One concept, one record!



WIPO PEARL: THE PCT TERMBASE GOES LIVE

Watch the video at www.wipo.int/wipopearl



WIPO Pearl: Users

Language professionals

translators, interpreters, technical
writers...



IP professionals

patent drafters, searchers,
examiners, attorneys...



Subject field specialists
research & development engineers,
scientists...





WIPO Pearl: Examples of Users



















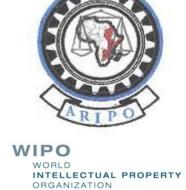












WIPO-PCT Fellowship Programme

For Translators and Terminologists

Why

- On-the-job experience at an international organization
- Bring in native speakers of different languages (PCT translation into EN/FR)
- Train potential freelancers

Who

- Recently qualified Masters graduates in terminology, linguistics, and translation
- 15-20 places per year



WIPO-PCT Terminology Fellowship Programme

- What
 - o create entries in PCT Termbase
- How long
 - Minimum: 3 months
- How
 - send CV and letter to PCT.Fellowship@wipo.int
 - shortlisted candidates take terminology test + interview
- When
 - Jan-Feb Outreach message sent to Universities



Perspectives

- Localization of WIPO Pearl user interface
- Collaborations:
 - Fellowship Programme
 - terminology students (Geneva University; Dublin City University, Ireland; Thessaloniki University, Greece; + ??)
 - technical experts in universities/institutions
- Develop online terminology training module (patent-related)
- Become the reference for multilingual patent and IP terminology
- Tenders for translation outsourcing (translation into EN, FR)





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