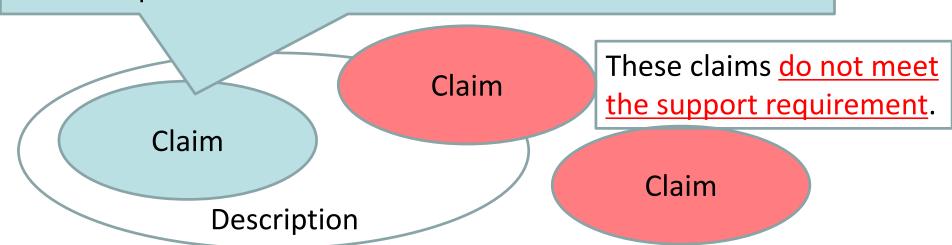


- I. Clarity Requirement
- II. Support Requirement



A. Basic Rule

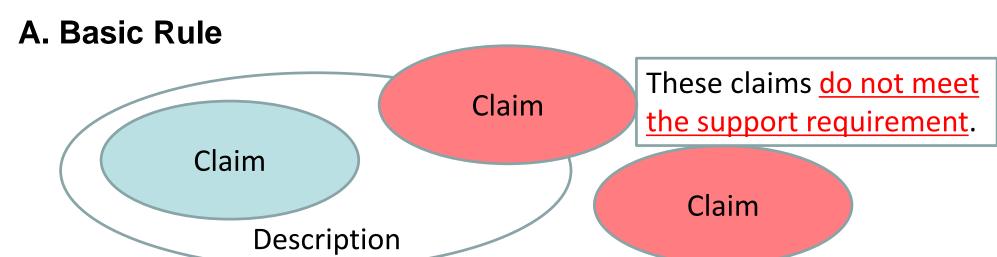
The claimed inventions should **not exceed** the scope stated in the description.



To state in a claim an invention that is not stated in the description means to seek a patent protection for an invention which is not disclosed to the public.

	JPO	EPO	USPTO	SIPO	KIPO	PCT
Support Requirement	Art. 36(6)(i)	Art. 84	Art. 112(a) (Specification)	Art. 26	Art. 42(4)1	Art. 6





The examiner examines <u>a substantial correspondence between the claimed invention and the invention stated in the description</u>.

The consideration of the substantial correspondence done by the examiner is to examine whether or not the claimed invention exceeds "<u>the extent of disclosure in the description to which a person skilled in the art would recognize that a problem to be solved by the invention would be actually solved"</u>.



B. Examples of Lack of Support Requirement

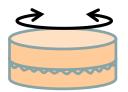
1. The matter neither stated nor implied in the description is stated in the claim.

[Description]

- The inventions using a <u>DC motor</u> are stated.
- The description <u>neither states nor implies</u> anything about using an <u>ultrasonic motor</u>.

[Claim]

..... using an <u>ultrasonic motor</u>.







- B. Examples of Lack of Support Requirement
- 2. The relationship between the claim and the description is unclear.

[Description]

A word processor has **means for changing the size of characters** and **means for changing line spacing**.



[Claim]

A word processor comprising data processing means, and

Relationship between the claim and description is unclear.



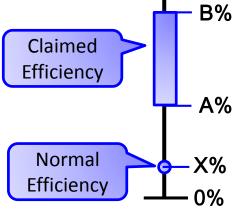
- B. Examples of Lack of Support Requirement
- 3. The content disclosed in the description can neither be expanded nor generalized to the scope of the claimed invention even in light of the common general knowledge as of the filing date.
 - ◆ Hybrid Car 1/2

[Description]

The description only discloses hybrid cars equipped with a control means to perform "Y-control."

[Claim]

A hybrid car of which energy efficiency during running on electricity is <u>from A to B%</u>.

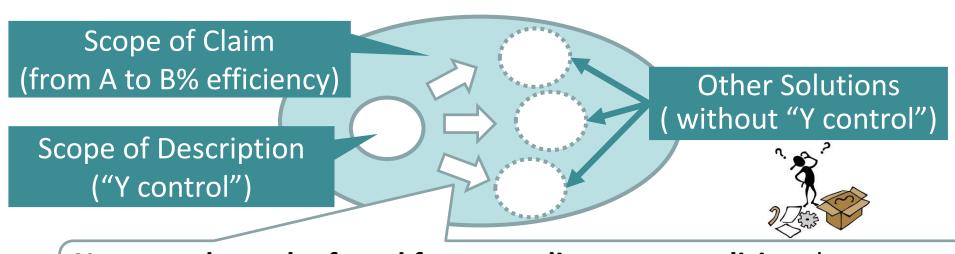


Efficiency





- B. Examples of Lack of Support Requirement
- 3. The content disclosed in the description can neither be expanded nor generalized to the scope of the claimed invention even in light of the common general knowledge as of the filing date.
- ♦ Hybrid Car 2/2
 - It is difficult to realize a high energy efficiency such as from A to B% even in light of the common general knowledge as of the filing date.



No grounds can be found for expanding or generalizing the content disclosed in the description to the scope of the claimed invention.



B. Examples of Lack of Support Requirement

4. As a solution for the problem to be solved by the invention is not reflected in the claim, a patent is being claimed beyond the scope stated in the description.

[Description]

- The problem to be solved by the invention is how to prevent excessive automobile speed.
- Only a mechanism which <u>aggressively increases force</u> against stepping on the accelerator pedal as speed increases is disclosed.

[Claim]

A mechanism which <u>varies force</u> against stepping on the accelerator pedal as speed increases.

It is evident that **the problem cannot be solved** by the claimed invention.