## Introduction of Transit-Oriented Development Policies in some cities ~TOD in Seoul~

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## Seoul

- Surface 605.77km<sup>2</sup>
- Population 10million (20million in Seoul metropolitan area[SMA])
- Population density
   17,046(person/km<sup>2</sup>) → High
- GDP US\$ 605 billion
- Total passenger car 9 million cars





## City planning in Seoul

#### **History**

- Before 1900 population: only 0.3million
- 1934 Korean urban district plan innovation of new land-use zoning laws
- 1950 the Korean war population concentration to Seoul defective houses were built on the suburb hills
- 1962 city planning law was established 4 kinds of zoning were set deliberate development of urban districts
- 1971 revision of city planning law
   Green belt was set against sprawling and the attack by the North
- 1974 1<sup>st</sup> subway line was built
- 1976 urban renewal law was established to solve the problem of defective houses area
- 1981 basic city planning system

   a goverrnment-led large scale land development project design(20 years) long-term vision
- 1980s the population growth in the suburbs
  - a goverrnment-led large-scale land development project design began five new town development in Green belt

 $\rightarrow$ the problem is that access to city center is limited only by road network



Population growth





## Road network

Some commercial areas are developing along the main roads.

→It's because main public transits are traditionally bus systems. This is the example of roads' making the commercial areas.



## City planning related project

### City development

- land subdividing projects (extensively conducted in 1960s and 1970s)
- In the early 1980s, the civic sector leading project have proven limited

 $\rightarrow$ 4 regions(Sanggye,Godeok,Mokdong,and Suseo) have been changed from natural green areas to residential area.

### City renewal project

- downtown street rearrangements and strengthening its business function
- Housing renewal projects and housing environment improvement programs

#### New towns project 5 new towns were built in the Green belt(1989)

The purpose is to satisfy the shortage of housing in city center

Green belt and five new towns in Seoul Metropolitan region



## Recent situation of Seoul

Increase of the population in suburbs ex) five new town development in Green belt

 $\rightarrow$  increase demand of access from suburbs to city center

the problem is the shortage of public transit services

- Traffic congestion
- car holders are increasing

To solve the problem, Seoul try to improve the existed public transportation systems. (Railways and bus system)





## Transportation system(Bus)

Bus reform(BMS)

- Passenger traffic share: 30%
- The trigger is change of the traffic flow by the Cheonggyecheon project
- The purpose is mitigation of the traffic jam and promotion of public transportation use
- operation
  - Reorganization of bus companies (into 4colors)
  - IT technology→make it easy for people to get the real time information
  - •Bus only lane
  - ·transport in cooperation with subway line

In Korea managers of buses and subways are different

The cooperation is needed.

 They still have the lines from suburbs to city center

The buses plays an important role as longdistant transports





## Transportation system(Railway)

- Passenger traffic share: 35%
   History of railway system
   1971-1985 4 lines were built (118km)
   1989-1999 another 4 lines to extend the existed lines (160km)
   1999-2010 4 new lines are under construction(120km)
   The 9<sup>th</sup> line was managed by the private company (1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> lines were managed by pubic sectors)
   goal share:over 70% (with buses) to solve the road congestion to secure the access to suburbs for ecology
   History of subways is relatively new
  - Historically the buses are heavily used as public transits in Seoul
- Most of the railways are subway and they don't have surface railways in the city center.



## Recent TOD in Seoul

### Redevelopment of the city center

• In Seoul, the bus systems are traditionally main public transits

 $\rightarrow$  the commercial areas were developed along the roads



·Recently the subway are highly used

 $\rightarrow$  the commercial areas were developed around stations



## Recent TOD in Seoul(2)

They need to redevelop around stations

One new form of redevelopment around stations is the construction of buildings used for both commercial and residential uses

 people can live near the station so they can go to station on foot

 Recently in Korea, this kind of apartments are very popular and the demands are increasing



## Recent TOD in Seoul(3)

City center

 Suburb areas still have serious problems

New town

Bus li

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ex) five new town development in Green belt

1.Where the new towns were constructed after the public transits developed →The rate of public transit use is high (successful case)

2.Where the new towns were constructed before the public transits developed →The rate of public transit use is low (failure case)

Because people have already bought their own car to commute In addition, to commute by cars is faster than by public transits

The cooperation between constructions of new towns and public transits is very important



## Conclusion

- The characteristic of public transits in Seoul is that buses are traditionally used as main public transits and now the buses and subways are used together
- It is a very rare case to use buses as the longdistance transit (In Seoul, buses play a role like LRT)
- The relationship between land use and public transits is very important for achievement of TOD

 $\rightarrow$ need the long-term vision

When we construct the new towns, we need to consider the public transits and to secure the access to the center of the city

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## What is **TOD** (Transit-Oriented Development)?

Excessive dependence on the use of cars increases the emission of CO<sub>2</sub> and is not good for environment.

We need to encourage the use of public transports

TOD is a way to locate people near transit services and to decrease their dependence on driving.

## The purposes of *TOD*

To reduce the use of single-occupant vehicles by increasing the number of times people walk, bicycle, carpool, vanpool, or take a bus, streetcar or rail.

## Necessity for TOD

- Good transit network
- Transit use supporting policy
- Land use system supporting transit use
- Amiable walking environment

## Some characteristics of TOD

- A centrally located transit station or transit stop.
- A commercial area immediately adjacent to the station.
- A network of connected streets that branch out into the surrounding neighborhood(s).
  - A variety of housing types, including multi-family.



## Why support TOD?

- Better use of land resources
- Reduced traffic congestion, and energy consumption
- Improved environmental quality
- Reduced parking requirements
- Reduced need for expensive investment (roads, bridges, and parking areas)
- Better community image
- Reduced stress from commuting by automobile
- Improved marketability of the location
- Better return on investment in transit infrastructure

## TOD in Japan

Comparison of passenger traffic share



In Japan, Railway have a larger market share than other countries.

# Problems and characteristics of Japan`s TOD

- Japanese TOD is mainly market-oriented TOD
   By railway companies
- Japanese government don't have strong power to regulate land use and to control car use
  - This cause car congestion around stations and urban sprawl
- Japan have a small number of TOD systems
  - Railways are highly used
  - But bus and LRT were not well utilized

Let's study the example of other countries

## Portland, Oregon, USA

## Location of Portland





## TOD in Portland

- Introduced in 1970s
- Living Quality deteriorated
  - Escalated traffic congestion
  - Environmental destruction
  - Decline population in city center





## METRO and TRI-MET

### METRO

- The regional government which has municipal home rule for city planning.
- 1.3 million people
- covers 24 cities, urban areas of 3 counties
- long-term land use and transport policy

### TRI-MET

- Regional transportation authority
- Provide light rail and bus service and promote the development project with METRO.



## METRO area



## Public transport system in Portland

- Budget relocation
  - From express way to Metropolitan Area Express (MAX) and parks
  - Established
    - Transit malls
    - Free fare in city center
    - High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane
    - Park and ride system
    - Real-time bus location system with Geographical Information System (GIS)



## Seoul, South Korea



## Seoul's quick look



- The total area 605.52 Km<sup>2</sup>, or 0.6% of the entire country.
- 25 "gu" or wards
- Total population of 10,276,968 or a quarter of the total national population
- Per capita is 8.5 million won, 23.7% of the GNP of 388 trillion won

## Current Situation of Korea Transportation

- Rapid economic growth and increase in personal income have let to a sharp growth in the demand for transportation.
- Among cars that are used for various purposes, such as private, official or business, the increase rate of private passenger cars recorded the highest.

# Car Ownership in Korea (unit: 1,000 cars)

Year	Passeng er Car	Bus	Truck	Others	Total
1980	249	42	226	9	528
1990	2,074	383	924	11	3,395
2000	8,084	1,428	2,511	37	8,469
2001	8,889	1,257	2,511	37	12,69 4

## Recent Situation on Sustainable Urban Transportation in Seoul City

Regio	Population (1,000)			Car Ownership (1,000)			
n	1996	2003	2003/199 6	1996	2003	2003/199 6	
Seoul city	10,47 0	10,27 7	-1.8%	2,168	2,777	28.1%	
SMA	21,06 5	23,24 0	10.3%	4,481	6,748	51.4%	

- Car ownership increased 28.1% in Seoul city and 51.4% in Seoul Metropolitan Area (SMA)
- Bus speed is 19 km/hr slower than 20.2 km/hr of passenger car in city center



## Bus reform

- Took effect on July 1, 2004
- New bus routes and bus-only lanes were introduced
- To encourage more people to use public transportation and ease congestion on the roads.



## Bus types

### •To reduce confusion and simplify passenger.



- Three Digit Number: 1 0 1
- · Departure Zone + Arrival Zone + Consecutive Numbers (0~9)



Green Bus (Branch Line) Linking main lines and subway trains inside a region

Blue Bus (Main Line)

tion along main lines

Rapid inter-regional transporta-

- · Four Digit Number: 1 2 1 1
- Departure Zone + Arrival Zone + Consecutive Numbers (11~99)



- Four Digit Number: 9 1 0 1
- 9 (Wide Area Number) + Departure Zone + Consecutive Zone (00~99)



- Two Digit Number: 👩 🧧
- Zone Numbers (0~7) + Consecutive Numbers (1~9)

#### Yellow Bus (Circular Line)

Circular line transportation inside urban centers and met-

ropolitan subcenters

## Bus types and their stop signs







## Bus-only lane





# Result of bus reform ( passenger )

- For July and august, the passengers using either bus or subway had 11% increase compared to the corresponding months of the previous years.
- For July and august, bus passengers alone also experienced an average of 9.9 % increase over last year.

# Result of bus reform ( Bus speed )

- The average speed of the buses running in the median bus lanes escalated by
  - 85 %, increasing to 20.3km./hr on Dobong/Miaro (Road) in northern Seoul
  - 72 % increasing to 22.5km./hr on Suseak/Seongsanno (Road) in northwestern Seoul
  - 32 % increasing to 17.2 km./hr on Gangnamdaero (Road) in southern Seoul
- The figure recorded in June when the new system was not yet introduced

# Result of bus reform (Traffic vol.)

- Traffic volume decreased 5.9 % in October from September last year
  - Miaro recorded a 27.2 % drop
  - Gangnamdaero recorded a 26.3 % drop
  - Songsanno in Susaek recorded a 23.3 % drop
- Several factors
  - the implementation of the bus-exclusive median lane system
  - the oil price surge
  - encouraging drivers to not drive one day a week

## Green parking 2006

- To calm down the traffic at the collector road in the residential area.
- By increasing the number of parking spaces in residential area.
- 25 sites were selected for the first year demonstration in 2004.
- 4,318 parking spaces on residential street by demolishing house wall of 3,120 households.



## Residential area in Seoul city





The actual situation of collector roads in Seoul city, South Korea



## Green parking idea





### demolishing house wall

# Why is TOD still daunting to developers?

- Construction costs of building add existing infrastructure and using valuable land for parking have also intimidated developer
- A shortage of promotion, standards, and systems about elements like appropriate densities have prevented developers and planners from building with confidence



## Summery

### Public involvement.

 The involvement of residents in plan work with the administration to promote TOD

## User`s friendly transportation system.

 Easily and understandable informations (bus signs)

