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Technology and Design
Unit 2: Systems and Control
Element 2: Mechanical and
Pneumatic Control Systems

[GTD22]



TUESDAY 29 MAY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.
Write your answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.
Answer **all** questions.
On **page 3** we have provided formulae for you to use with this paper.

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The total mark for this paper is 80.
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Formulae for GCSE Technology and Design

You should use, where appropriate, the formulae given below when answering questions which include calculations.

1 Gear ratio of a simple gear train = $\frac{\text{number of teeth on driven gear}}{\text{number of teeth on driver gear}}$

For a compound gear train:

Total Gear ratio = the product of the gear ratios of all the subsystems

i.e. $GR_T = GR_1 \times GR_2 \times GR_3 \dots$

2 Mechanical Advantage = $\frac{\text{Load}}{\text{Effort}}$

3 Velocity Ratio = $\frac{\text{Distance moved by effort}}{\text{Distance moved by load}}$

4 Pneumatics
Force = Pressure \times Area ($F = P \times A$)

(b) Fig. 2 shows part of a pneumatic circuit.

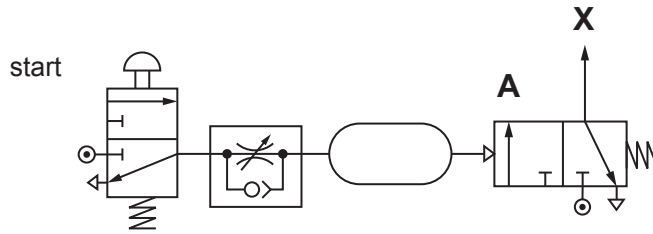


Fig. 2

(i) For valve **A** complete **Table 1** below:

Table 1

Number of switching positions	
Number of ports	
Method of actuation	
Method for resetting	

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(ii) Explain how a signal is produced at **X** when the start button is operated.

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(c) Fig. 3 shows a pneumatic cylinder which is used to push heavy parts out of a holder one at a time.

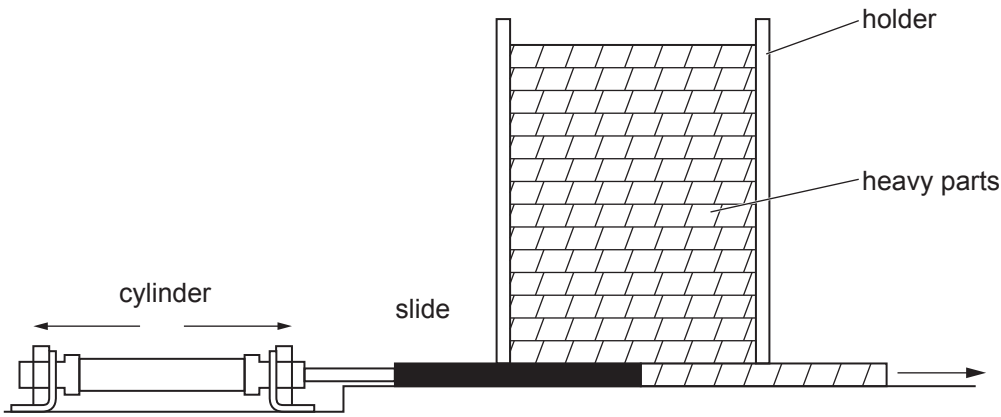


Fig. 3

The pneumatic circuit used to control the cylinder is shown in Fig. 4.

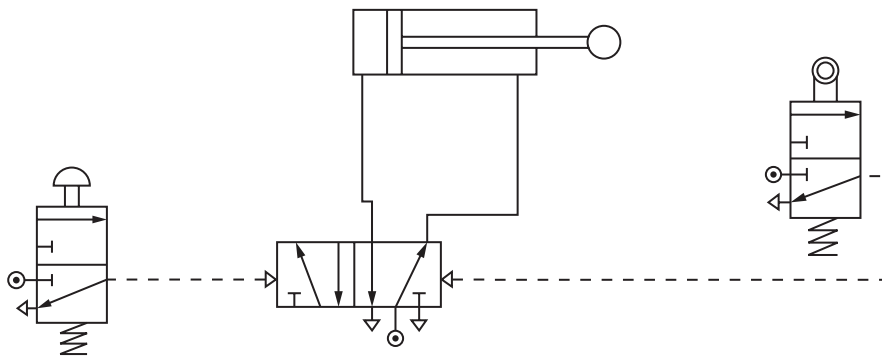


Fig. 4

(i) State **two** factors which should be considered in selecting the cylinder.

1. _____
2. _____ [4]

(ii) The circuit is to be modified to include the following features:

- The speed of pushing the parts is to be controlled.
- The process is to run continuously when the start button is pressed for an instant.

Modify the circuit in Fig. 4 showing the additional valves required and any changes needed to existing valves. [9]

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(d) Fig. 5 shows a pneumatic circuit which is used on a packaging machine.

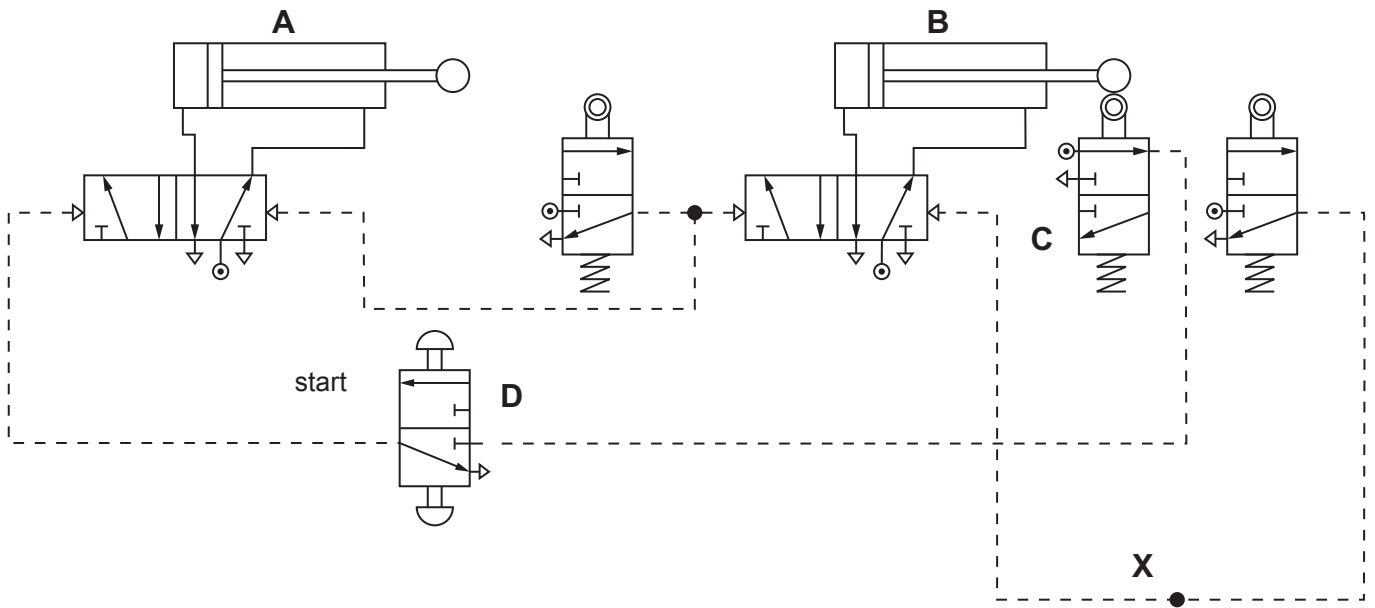


Fig. 5

- (i) Valve C is connected through valve D. State the logic combination used.

_____ [2]

- (ii) State the sequence of operation of the cylinders when the start button is pressed.

 _____ [8]

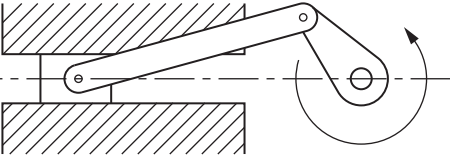
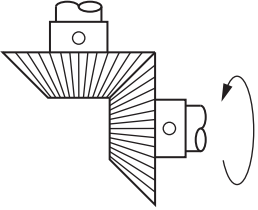
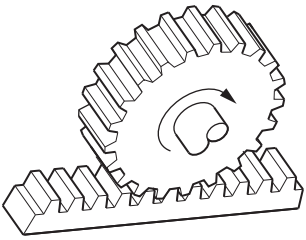
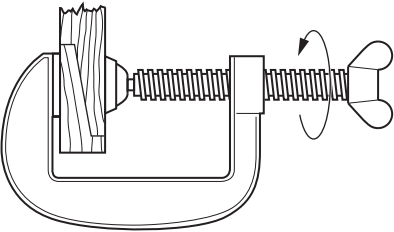
- (iii) If the start valve is moved to the position in the circuit marked X state the position of the cylinders when it is reset, i.e. switched off.

_____ [2]

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- 2 (a) **Table 2** shows four different mechanisms and the input motion in each case.
Complete **Table 2** by inserting the correct name for each mechanism and its output motion.

Table 2

Mechanism	Name	Output Motion
		
		
		
		

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(b) Fig. 6 shows three types of cam.

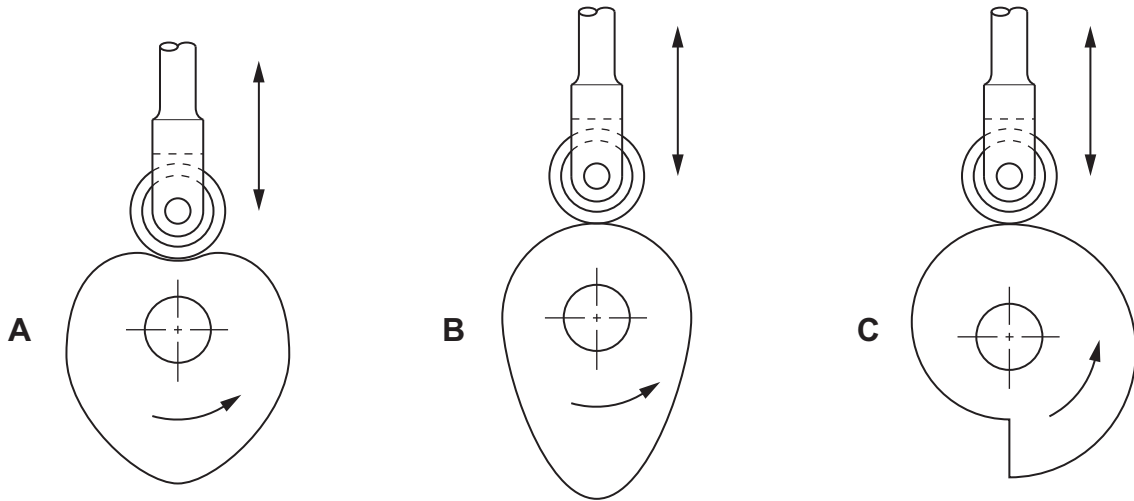


Fig. 6

(i) State the correct names for each of the cams labelled as **A**, **B** and **C** in Fig. 6.

A _____

B _____

C _____ [3]

(ii) Select the appropriate cam to give each of the following motions to the follower:

A steady rise with a quick return.

A steady rise, a steady fall, followed by a dwell or rest.

A steady rise and a steady fall.

_____ [3]

(iii) Which **one** of the cams can only operate in one direction of rotation?

_____ [2]

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(c) Fig. 7 shows a mechanism used in a winch for raising loads.

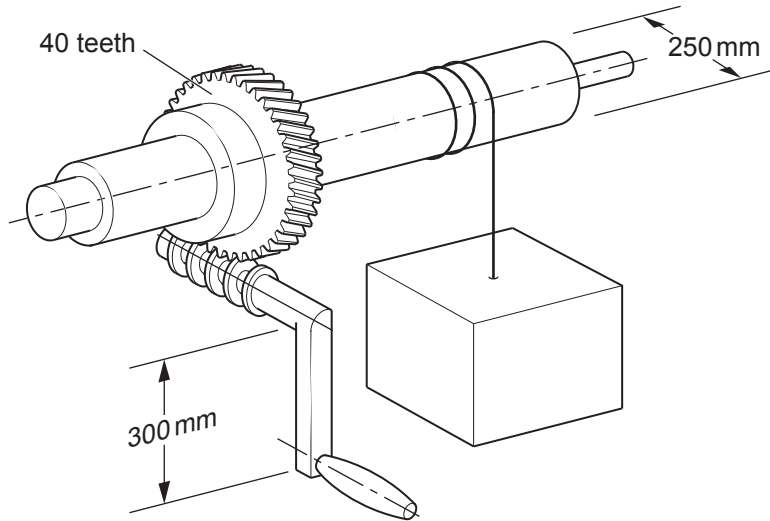


Fig. 7

(i) Name the mechanism shown.

_____ [2]

(ii) The mechanical advantage of the winch is 30.
Calculate the effort required to raise a load of 2.4 kN.

_____ [4]

(iii) If the crank handle is turned through one revolution how far will the load rise?
(Circumference of a circle = $\pi \times$ diameter)

_____ [6]

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