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## Technology and Design

Unit 2:

Systems and Control

Element 2: Mechanical and  
Pneumatic Control Systems

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**MONDAY 8 JUNE, AFTERNOON**

### TIME

1 hour.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

**You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

**Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.**

Questions which require drawing or sketching should be completed using an H.B. pencil.

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Answer **all** questions.

### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 80.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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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 ( $F = P \times A$ )

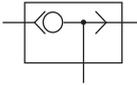
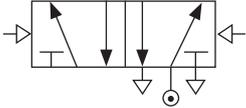
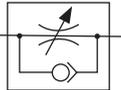
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Answer **all** questions

1 (a) **Table 1** shows the symbols for three pneumatic valves.

**Table 1**

Symbol	Name of valve
	
	
	

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(i) Complete **Table 1** by inserting the correct name for each symbol.

(ii) Select the valve from **Table 1** which would be used to:

- Control the movement of a double acting cylinder

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

- Control the flow of air in one direction

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]



(b) Fig. 1 shows three valves which could be used in operating a machine. The machine can be operated from two positions:

- By operating valves **A** and **B**

Or

- By operating valve **C**

Complete the circuit in Fig. 1 to show how this could be achieved.

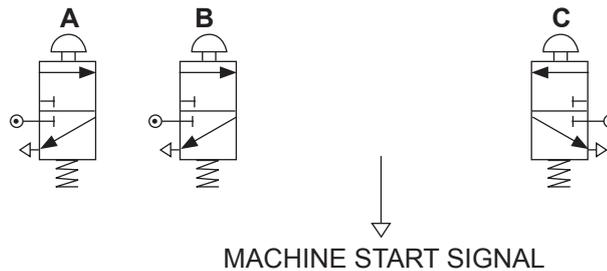


Fig. 1

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(c) Fig. 2 shows a pneumatic circuit.

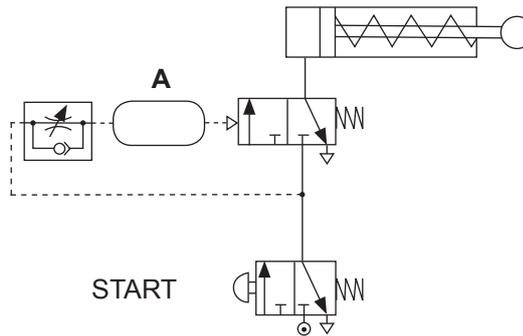


Fig. 2

(i) Name the component A \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(ii) Explain how the circuit operates when the start button is pressed and held in.

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(d) Fig. 3 shows a pneumatic circuit.

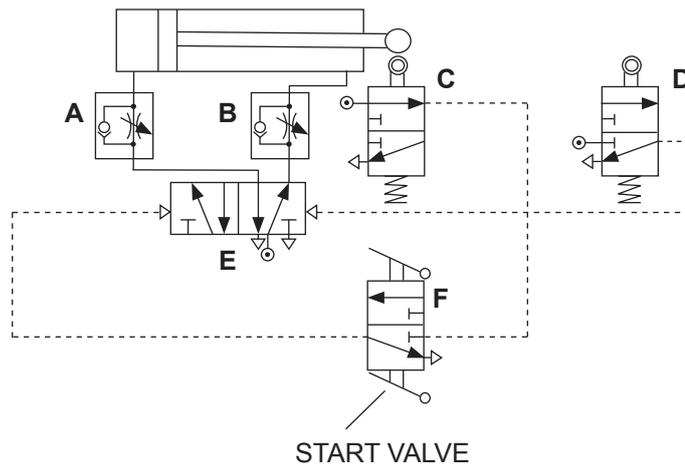


Fig. 3



- (i) The cylinder piston has a cross sectional area of  $300 \text{ mm}^2$  and the cross sectional area of the piston rod is  $100 \text{ mm}^2$ .

Supply pressure =  $0.5 \text{ N/mm}^2$

Calculate the force the cylinder can exert on the instroke.

- (ii) Describe the operation of the circuit when the start valve is operated. [4]

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- (iii) Which valve controls the speed of the outstroke of the cylinder? [2]

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- (iv) Explain how the stroke of the cylinder in this circuit can be adjusted. [2]

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- (v) Explain briefly how the circuit could be modified so that the cylinder could be stopped in the outstroked position. [2]

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(e) Fig. 4 shows a part of a pneumatic circuit which is used in a conveyor system for moving parcels.

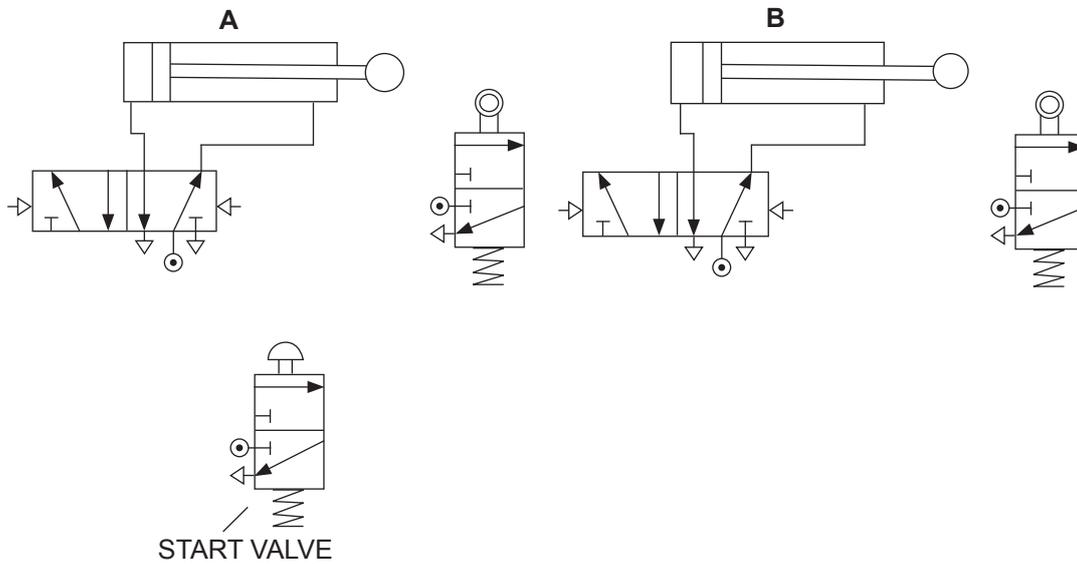


Fig. 4

When the start button is pressed for an instant the cylinders are to move in the following sequence.

- Cylinder **B** outstrokes.
- Cylinder **A** then outstrokes and at the same time cylinder **B** instrokes.
- Cylinder **A** then instrokes.

(i) Complete the pneumatic circuit in Fig. 4 by adding the pipework to give the required sequence. [8]

(ii) The circuit is to be modified so that the signal for **B** to outstroke cannot be given until **A** has instroked.

Outline how this could be achieved.

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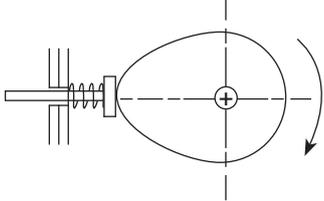
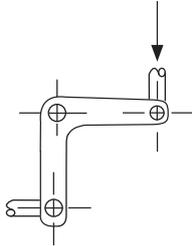
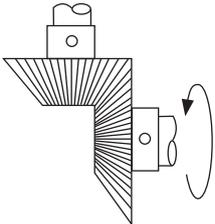
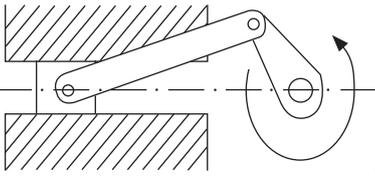
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2 (a) (i) Table 2 shows four different mechanisms. The input motion in each mechanism is shown by an arrow. Complete Table 2 by inserting the correct name for each mechanism and its type of output motion.

Table 2

Mechanism	Name	Output Motion
		
		
		
		

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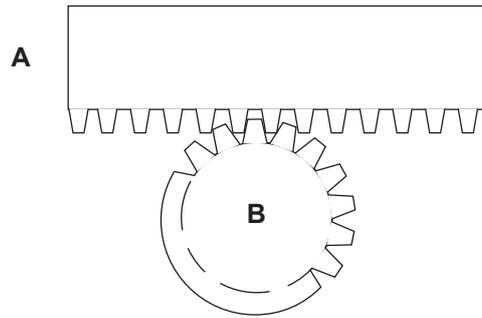


(ii) In some mechanisms the input and output motions cannot be reversed.

Which **one** of the mechanisms in **Table 2** is in this category?

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(iii) Name the mechanism shown in **Fig. 5**.



**Fig. 5**

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(iv) State the type of input motion which should be applied at **A** to produce oscillation at **B**.

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(b) Fig. 6 shows a mechanism for transmitting power to an output shaft.

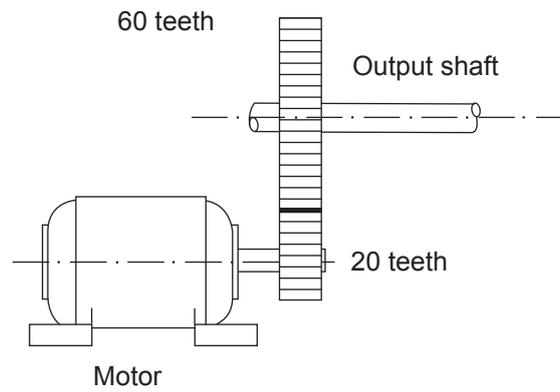


Fig. 6

(i) Name the mechanism shown in Fig. 6.

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(ii) The motor runs at 960 rev/min.

Determine the speed of the output shaft.

[3]



(iii) Explain how the transmission could be modified so that the motor and output shafts rotate in the same direction.

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(iv) What effect would this modification have on the speed of the output shaft?

\_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(v) A large change of speed is required at the output shaft in **Fig. 6**. Suggest a suitable method to achieve this output.

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(c) Fig. 7 shows a different method for transmitting power to an output shaft.

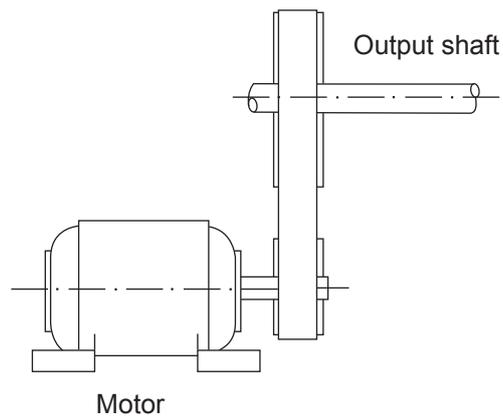


Fig. 7

(i) Name the mechanism shown in Fig. 7.

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(ii) Outline **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of this method compared to that in Fig. 6.

Advantage \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

Disadvantage \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(iii) Fig. 6 and Fig. 7 show two possible methods for transmitting power to the output shaft. Suggest **one** other method that could be used.

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(d) Fig. 8 shows a machine which is used to press discs from sheets of material.

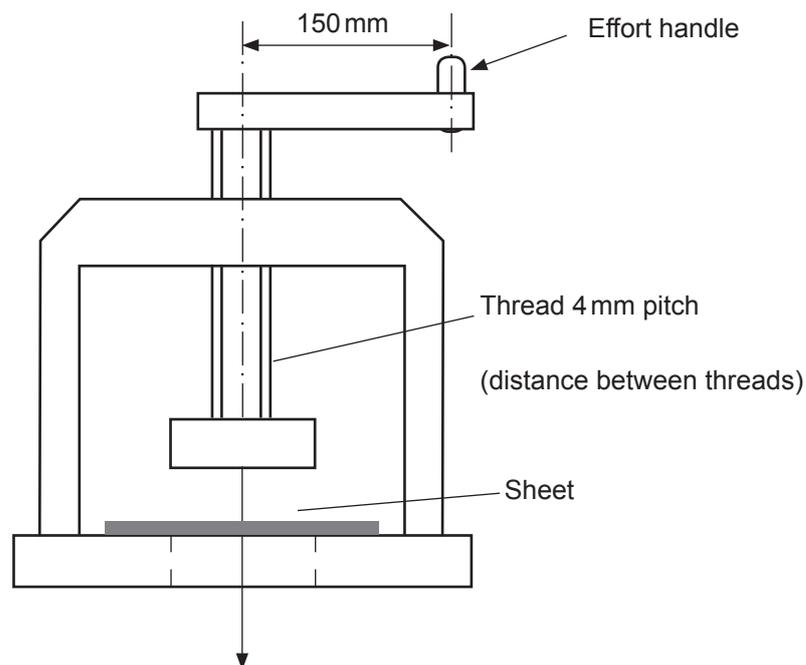


Fig. 8

(i) The press uses a screw thread.

Give **two** other examples where a screw thread is used to produce a large force.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

2. \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(ii) The mechanical advantage of the press is 50.

Calculate the effort required to produce a press force of 6 kN.

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(iii) Calculate the velocity ratio of the press.

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(iv) Suggest **two** ways in which the design of the press could be modified to increase the velocity ratio.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ [4]

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