

$\eta_v$	volumetric efficiency
$\theta$	crank angle [Chp.12]
$\theta$	specific absorbance per particle [Chp.16]
$\lambda$	wave length [Chp.16]
$\lambda$	excess air factor [Chp.20]
$\mu$	kinematic viscosity of gases
$\nu$	dynamic viscosity
$\rho$	density
$\rho_f$	density of fuel
$\phi$	equivalence ratio
$\psi$	magnetic field strength
$\omega$	angular velocity

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## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 ENERGY CONVERSION

The distinctive feature of our civilization today, one that makes it different from all others, is the wide use of mechanical power. At one time, the primary source of power for the work of peace or war was chiefly man's muscles. Later, animals were trained to help and afterwards the wind and the running stream were harnessed. But, the great step was taken in this direction when man learned the art of energy conversion from one form to another. The machine which does this job of energy conversion is called an engine.

#### 1.1.1 Definition of 'Engine'

An engine is a device which transforms one form of energy into another form. However, while transforming energy from one form to another, the efficiency of conversion plays an important role. Normally, most of the engines convert thermal energy into mechanical work and therefore they are called 'heat engines'.

#### 1.1.2 Definition of 'Heat Engine'

Heat engine is a device which transforms the chemical energy of a fuel into thermal energy and utilizes this thermal energy to perform useful work. Thus, thermal energy is converted to mechanical energy in a heat engine.

Heat engines can be broadly classified into two categories:

- (i) Internal Combustion Engines (IC Engines)
- (ii) External Combustion Engines (EC Engines)

#### 1.1.3 Classification and Some Basic Details of Heat Engines

Engines whether Internal Combustion or External Combustion are of two types, viz.,

- (i) Rotary engines
- (ii) Reciprocating engines

A detailed classification of heat engines is given in Fig.1.1. Of the various types of heat engines, the most widely used ones are the reciprocating internal combustion engine, the gas turbine and the steam turbine. The steam engine is rarely used nowadays. The reciprocating internal combustion engine enjoys some advantages over the steam turbine due to the absence of heat exchangers in the passage of the working fluid (boilers and condensers in steam turbine plant). This results in a considerable mechanical simplicity and improved power plant efficiency of the internal combustion engine.

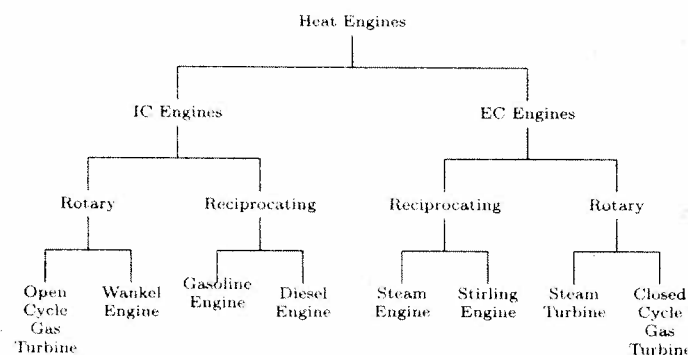


Fig. 1.1 Classification of Heat Engines

Another advantage of the reciprocating internal combustion engine over the other two types is that all its components work at an average temperature which is much below the maximum temperature of the working fluid in the cycle. This is because the high temperature of the working fluid in the cycle persists only for a very small fraction of the cycle time. Therefore, very high working fluid temperatures can be employed resulting in higher thermal efficiency.

Further, in internal combustion engines, higher thermal efficiency can be obtained with moderate maximum working pressure of the fluid in the cycle, and therefore, the weight to power ratio is less than that of the steam turbine plant. Also, it has been possible to develop reciprocating internal combustion engines of very small power output (power output of even a fraction of a kilowatt) with reasonable thermal efficiency and cost.

The main disadvantage of this type of engine is the problem of vibration caused by the reciprocating components. Also, it is not possible to use a variety of fuels in these engines. Only liquid or gaseous fuels of given specification can be efficiently used. These fuels are relatively more expensive.

Considering all the above factors the reciprocating internal combustion engines have been found suitable for use in automobiles, motor-cycles and

scooters, power boats, ships, slow speed aircraft, locomotives and power units of relatively small output.

### 1.1.4 External Combustion and Internal Combustion Engines

External combustion engines are those in which combustion takes place outside the engine whereas in internal combustion engines combustion takes place within the engine. For example, in a steam engine or a steam turbine, the heat generated due to the combustion of fuel is employed to generate high pressure steam which is used as the working fluid in a reciprocating engine or a turbine.

In case of gasoline or diesel engines, the products of combustion generated by the combustion of fuel and air within the cylinder form the working fluid.

## 1.2 BASIC ENGINE COMPONENTS AND NOMENCLATURE

Even though reciprocating internal combustion engines look quite simple, they are highly complex machines. There are hundreds of components which have to perform their functions satisfactorily to produce output power. There are two types of engines, viz., spark-ignition (SI) and compression-ignition (CI) engine. Let us now go through the important engine components and the nomenclature associated with an engine.

### 1.2.1 Engine Components

A cross section of a single cylinder spark-ignition engine with overhead valves is shown in Fig.1.2. The major components of the engine and their functions are briefly described below.

**Cylinder Block :** The cylinder block is the main supporting structure for the various components. The cylinder of a multicylinder engine are cast as a single unit, called cylinder block. The cylinder head is mounted on the cylinder block. The cylinder head and cylinder block are provided with water jackets in the case of water cooling or with cooling fins in the case of air cooling. Cylinder head gasket is incorporated between the cylinder block and cylinder head. The cylinder head is held tight to the cylinder block by number of bolts or studs. The bottom portion of the cylinder block is called crankcase. A cover called crankcase which becomes a sump for lubricating oil is fastened to the bottom of the crankcase. The inner surface of the cylinder block which is machined and finished accurately to cylindrical shape is called bore or face.

**Cylinder :** As the name implies it is a cylindrical vessel or space in which the piston makes a reciprocating motion. The varying volume created in the cylinder during the operation of the engine is filled with the working fluid and subjected to different thermodynamic processes. The cylinder is supported in the cylinder block.

**Piston :** It is a cylindrical component fitted into the cylinder forming the moving boundary of the combustion system. It fits perfectly (snugly)

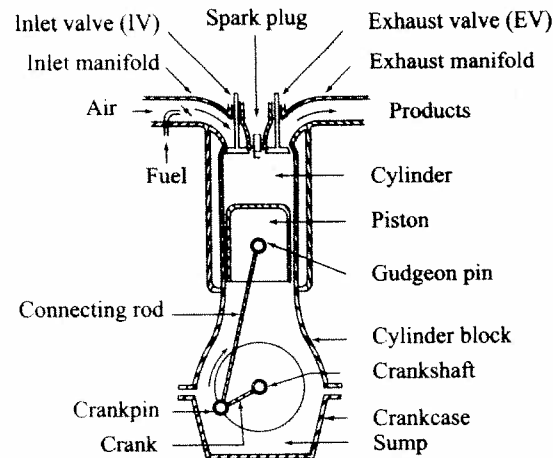


Fig. 1.2 Cross-section of a Spark-Ignition Engine

into the cylinder providing a gas-tight space with the piston rings and the lubricant. It forms the first link in transmitting the gas forces to the output shaft.

**Combustion Chamber :** The space enclosed in the upper part of the cylinder, by the cylinder head and the piston top during the combustion process, is called the combustion chamber. The combustion of fuel and the consequent release of thermal energy results in the building up of pressure in this part of the cylinder.

**Inlet Manifold :** The pipe which connects the intake system to the inlet valve of the engine and through which air or air-fuel mixture is drawn into the cylinder is called the inlet manifold.

**Exhaust Manifold :** The pipe which connects the exhaust system to the exhaust valve of the engine and through which the products of combustion escape into the atmosphere is called the exhaust manifold.

**Inlet and Exhaust Valves :** Valves are commonly mushroom shaped poppet type. They are provided either on the cylinder head or on the side of the cylinder for regulating the charge coming into the cylinder (inlet valve) and for discharging the products of combustion (exhaust valve) from the cylinder.

**Spark Plug :** It is a component to initiate the combustion process in Spark-Ignition (SI) engines and is usually located on the cylinder head.

**Connecting Rod :** It interconnects the piston and the crankshaft and transmits the gas forces from the piston to the crankshaft. The two ends of the connecting rod are called as small end and the big end (Fig.1.3). Small end is connected to the piston by gudgeon pin and the big end is connected to the crankshaft by crankpin.

**Crankshaft :** It converts the reciprocating motion of the piston into useful rotary motion of the output shaft. In the crankshaft of a single cylinder engine there are a pair of crank arms and balance weights. The balance weights are provided for static and dynamic balancing of the rotating system. The crankshaft is enclosed in a crankcase.

**Piston Rings :** Piston rings, fitted into the slots around the piston, provide a tight seal between the piston and the cylinder wall thus preventing leakage of combustion gases (Fig.1.3).

**Gudgeon Pin :** It forms the link between the small end of the connecting rod and the piston.

**Camshaft :** The camshaft and its associated parts control the opening and closing of the two valves. The associated parts are push rods, rocker arms, valve springs and tappets. This shaft also provides the drive to the ignition system. The camshaft is driven by the crankshaft through timing gears.

**Cams :** These are made as integral parts of the camshaft and are designed in such a way to open the valves at the correct timing and to keep them open for the necessary duration.

**Fly Wheel :** The net torque imparted to the crankshaft during one complete cycle of operation of the engine fluctuates causing a change in the angular velocity of the shaft. In order to achieve a uniform torque an inertia mass in the form of a wheel is attached to the output shaft and this wheel is called the flywheel.

## 1.2.2 Nomenclature

**Cylinder Bore ( $d$ ) :** The nominal inner diameter of the working cylinder is called the cylinder bore and is designated by the letter  $d$  and is usually expressed in millimeter (mm).

**Piston Area ( $A$ ) :** The area of a circle of diameter equal to the cylinder bore is called the piston area and is designated by the letter  $A$  and is usually expressed in square centimeter ( $\text{cm}^2$ ).

**Stroke ( $L$ ) :** The nominal distance through which a working piston moves between two successive reversals of its direction of motion is called the stroke and is designated by the letter  $L$  and is expressed usually in millimeter (mm).

**Stroke to Bore Ratio :**  $L/d$  ratio is an important parameter in classifying the size of the engine.

If  $d < L$ , it is called under-square engine. If  $d = L$ , it is called square engine. If  $d > L$ , it is called over-square engine.

An over-square engine can operate at higher speeds because of larger bore and shorter stroke.

**Dead Centre :** The position of the working piston and the moving parts which are mechanically connected to it, at the moment when the direction of the piston motion is reversed at either end of the stroke is called the dead centre. There are two dead centres in the engine as indicated in Fig.1.3.

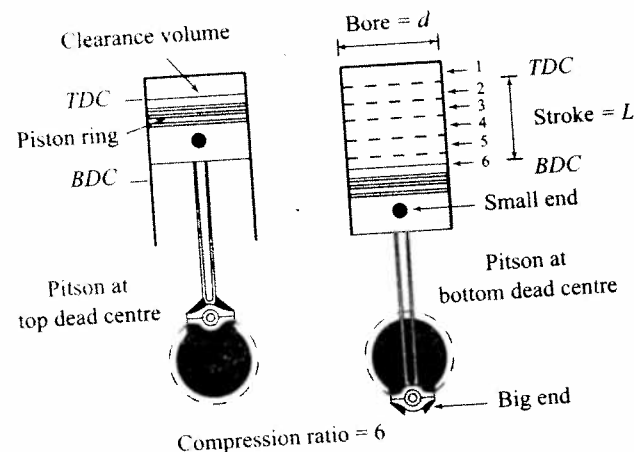


Fig. 1.3 Top and Bottom Dead Centres

They are:

(i) Top Dead Centre

(ii) Bottom Dead Centre

(i) **Top Dead Centre (TDC)** : It is the dead centre when the piston is farthest from the crankshaft. It is designated as *TDC* for vertical engines and *Inner Dead Centre (IDC)* for horizontal engines.

(ii) **Bottom Dead Centre (BDC)** : It is the dead centre when the piston is nearest to the crankshaft. It is designated as *BDC* for vertical engines and *Outer Dead Centre (ODC)* for horizontal engines.

**Displacement or Swept Volume ( $V_s$ )** : The nominal volume swept by the working piston when travelling from one dead centre to the other is called the displacement volume. It is expressed in terms of cubic centimeter (cc) and given by

$$V_s = A \times L = \frac{\pi}{4} d^2 L \quad (1.1)$$

**Cubic Capacity or Engine Capacity** : The displacement volume of a cylinder multiplied by number of cylinders in an engine will give the cubic capacity or the engine capacity. For example, if there are  $K$  cylinders in an engine, then

$$\text{Cubic capacity} = V_s \times K$$

**Clearance Volume ( $V_C$ )** : The nominal volume of the combustion chamber above the piston when it is at the top dead centre is the clearance volume. It is designated as  $V_C$  and expressed in cubic centimeter (cc).

**Compression Ratio ( $r$ )** : It is the ratio of the total cylinder volume when the piston is at the bottom dead centre,  $V_T$ , to the clearance volume,  $V_C$ .

It is designated by the letter  $r$ .

$$r = \frac{V_T}{V_C} = \frac{V_C + V_s}{V_C} = 1 + \frac{V_s}{V_C} \quad (1.2)$$

### 1.3 THE WORKING PRINCIPLE OF ENGINES

If an engine is to work successfully then it has to follow a cycle of operations in a sequential manner. The sequence is quite rigid and cannot be changed. In the following sections the working principle of both SI and CI engines is described. Even though both engines have much in common there are certain fundamental differences.

The credit of inventing the spark-ignition engine goes to Nicolaus A. Otto (1876) whereas compression-ignition engine was invented by Rudolf Diesel (1892). Therefore, they are often referred to as Otto engine and Diesel engine.

#### 1.3.1 Four-Stroke Spark-Ignition Engine

In a four-stroke engine, the cycle of operations is completed in four strokes of the piston or two revolutions of the crankshaft. During the four strokes, there are five events to be completed, viz., suction, compression, combustion, expansion and exhaust. Each stroke consists of  $180^\circ$  of crankshaft rotation and hence a four-stroke cycle is completed through  $720^\circ$  of crank rotation. The cycle of operation for an ideal four-stroke SI engine consists of the following four strokes : (i) suction or intake stroke; (ii) compression stroke; (iii) expansion or power stroke and (iv) exhaust stroke.

The details of various processes of a four-stroke spark-ignition engine with overhead valves are shown in Fig.1.4 (a-d). When the engine completes all the five events under ideal cycle mode, the  $p$ - $V$  diagram will be as shown in Fig.1.5.

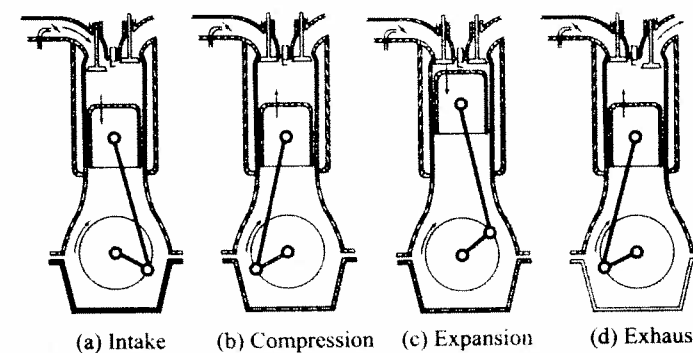
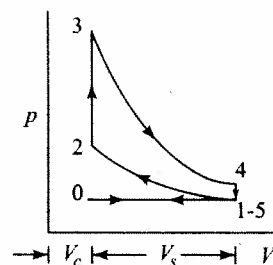


Fig. 1.4 Working Principle of a Four-Stroke SI Engine

- (i) **Suction or Intake Stroke :** Suction stroke 0→1 (Fig.1.5) starts when the piston is at the top dead centre and about to move downwards. The inlet valve is open at this time and the exhaust valve is closed, Fig.1.4(a). Due to the suction created by the motion of the piston towards the bottom dead centre, the charge consisting of fuel-air mixture is drawn into the cylinder. When the piston reaches the bottom dead centre the suction stroke ends and the inlet valve closes.
- (ii) **Compression Stroke :** The charge taken into the cylinder during the suction stroke is compressed by the return stroke of the piston 1→2, (Fig.1.5). During this stroke both inlet and exhaust valves are in closed position, Fig.1.4(b). The mixture which fills the entire cylinder volume is now compressed into the clearance volume. At the end of the compression stroke the mixture is ignited with the help of a spark plug located on the cylinder head. In ideal engines it is assumed that burning takes place instantaneously when the piston is at the top dead centre and hence the burning process can be approximated as heat addition at constant volume. During the burning process the chemical energy of the fuel is converted into heat energy producing a temperature rise of about 2000 °C (process 2→3), Fig.1.5. The pressure at the end of the combustion process is considerably increased due to the heat release from the fuel.
- (iii) **Expansion or Power Stroke :** The high pressure of the burnt gases forces the piston towards the BDC, (stroke 3→4) Fig.1.5. Both the valves are in closed position, Fig.1.4(c). Of the four-strokes only during this stroke power is produced. Both pressure and temperature decrease during expansion.

Fig. 1.5 Ideal  $p$ - $V$  Diagram of a Four-Stroke SI Engine

- (iv) **Exhaust Stroke :** At the end of the expansion stroke the exhaust valve opens and the inlet valve remains closed, Fig.1.4(d). The pressure falls to atmospheric level a part of the burnt gases escape. The piston starts moving from the bottom dead centre to top dead centre (stroke 5→0), Fig.1.5 and sweeps the burnt gases out from the cylinder almost at atmospheric pressure. The exhaust valve closes when the piston

reaches *TDC*. at the end of the exhaust stroke and some residual gases trapped in the clearance volume remain in the cylinder.

These residual gases mix with the fresh charge coming in during the following cycle, forming its working fluid. Each cylinder of a four-stroke engine completes the above four operations in two engine revolutions, one revolution of the crankshaft occurs during the suction and compression strokes and the second revolution during the power and exhaust strokes. Thus for one complete cycle there is only one power stroke while the crankshaft turns by two revolutions. For getting higher output from the engine the heat release (process 2→3) should be as high as possible and the heat rejection (process 3→4) should be as small as possible. So one should be careful in drawing the ideal  $p$ - $V$  diagram (Fig.1.5).

### 1.3.2 Four-Stroke Compression-Ignition Engine

The four-stroke CI engine is similar to the four-stroke SI engine but it operates at a much higher compression ratio. The compression ratio of an SI engine is between 6 and 10 while for a CI engine it is from 16 to 20. In the CI engine during suction stroke, air, instead of a fuel-air mixture, is inducted. Due to the high compression ratio employed, the temperature at the end of the compression stroke is sufficiently high to self ignite the fuel which is injected into the combustion chamber. In CI engines, a high pressure fuel pump and an injector are provided to inject the fuel into the combustion chamber. The carburettor and ignition system necessary in the SI engine are not required in the CI engine.

The ideal sequence of operations for the four-stroke CI engine as shown in Fig.1.6 is as follows:

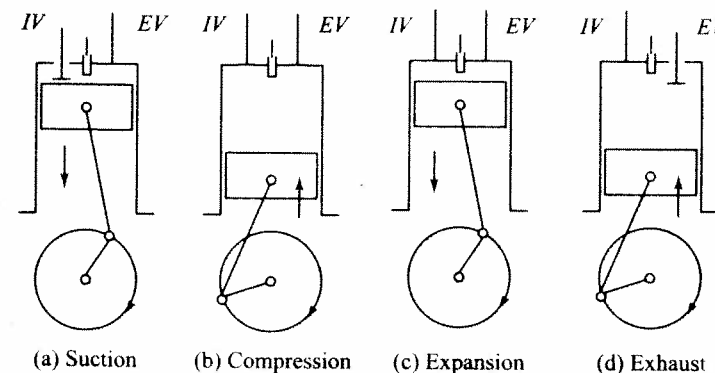


Fig. 1.6 Cycle of Operation of a CI Engine

- (i) **Suction Stroke :** Air alone is inducted during the suction stroke. During this stroke intake valve is open and exhaust valve is closed, Fig.1.6(a).
- (ii) **Compression Stroke :** Air inducted during the suction stroke is compressed into the clearance volume. Both valves remain closed during this stroke, Fig.1.6(b).
- (iii) **Expansion Stroke :** Fuel injection starts nearly at the end of the compression stroke. The rate of injection is such that combustion maintains the pressure constant in spite of the piston movement on its expansion stroke increasing the volume. Heat is assumed to have been added at constant pressure. After the injection of fuel is completed (i.e. after cut-off) the products of combustion expand. Both the valves remain closed during the expansion stroke, Fig.1.6(c).
- (iv) **Exhaust Stroke :** The piston travelling from BDC to TDC pushes out the products of combustion. The exhaust valve is open and the intake valve is closed during this stroke, Fig.1.6(d). The ideal  $p$ - $V$  diagram is shown in Fig.1.7.

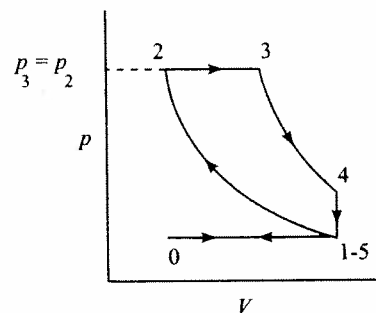


Fig. 1.7 Ideal  $p$ - $V$  Diagram for a Four-Stroke CI Engine

Due to higher pressures in the cycle of operations the CI engine has to be more sturdy than a SI engine for the same output. This results in a CI engine being heavier than the SI engine. However, it has a higher thermal efficiency on account of the high compression ratio (of about 18 as against about 8 in SI engines) used.

### 1.3.3 Comparison of SI and CI Engines

In four-stroke engines, there is one power stroke for every two revolutions of the crankshaft. There are two non-productive strokes of exhaust and suction which are necessary for flushing the products of combustion from the cylinder and filling it with the fresh charge. If this purpose could be

served by an alternative arrangement, without the movement of the piston, it is possible to obtain a power stroke for every revolution of the crankshaft increasing the output of the engine. However, in both SI and CI engines operating on four-stroke cycle, power can be obtained only in every two revolution of the crankshaft.

Since both SI and CI engines have much in common, it is worthwhile to compare them based on important parameters like basic cycle of operation, fuel induction, compression ratio etc. The detailed comparison is given in Table 1.1.

### 1.3.4 Two-Stroke Engine

As already mentioned, if the two unproductive strokes, viz., the suction and exhaust could be served by an alternative arrangement, especially without the movement of the piston then there will be a power stroke for each revolution of the crankshaft. In such an arrangement, theoretically the power output of the engine can be doubled for the same speed compared to a four-stroke engine. Based on this concept, Dugald Clark (1878) invented the two-stroke engine.

In two-stroke engines the cycle is completed in one revolution of the crankshaft. The main difference between two-stroke and four-stroke engines is in the method of filling the fresh charge and removing the burnt gases from the cylinder. In the four-stroke engine these operations are performed by the engine piston during the suction and exhaust strokes respectively. In a two-stroke engine, the filling process is accomplished by the charge compressed in crankcase or by a blower. The induction of the compressed charge moves out the product of combustion through exhaust ports. Therefore, no piston strokes are required for these two operations. Two strokes are sufficient to complete the cycle, one for compressing the fresh charge and the other for expansion or power stroke.

Figure 1.8 shows one of the simplest two-stroke engines, viz., the crankcase scavenged engine. Figure 1.9 shows the ideal indicator diagram of such an engine. The air or charge is inducted into the crankcase through the spring loaded inlet valve when the pressure in the crankcase is reduced due to upward motion of the piston during compression stroke. After the compression and ignition, expansion takes place in the usual way.

During the expansion stroke the charge in the crankcase is compressed. Near the end of the expansion stroke, the piston uncovers the exhaust ports and the cylinder pressure drops to atmospheric pressure as the combustion products leave the cylinder. Further movement of the piston uncovers the transfer ports, permitting the slightly compressed charge in the crankcase to enter the engine cylinder. The top of the piston has usually a projection to deflect the fresh charge towards the top of the cylinder before flowing to the exhaust ports. This serves the double purpose of scavenging the upper part of the cylinder of the combustion products and preventing the fresh charge from flowing directly to the exhaust ports.

The same objective can be achieved without piston deflector by proper shaping of the transfer port. During the upward motion of the piston from

Table 1.1 Comparison of SI and CI Engines

Description	SI Engine	CI Engine
<b>Basic cycle</b>	Works on Otto cycle or constant volume heat addition cycle.	Works on Diesel cycle or constant pressure heat addition cycle.
<b>Fuel</b>	Gasoline, a highly volatile fuel. Self-ignition temperature is high.	Diesel oil, a non-volatile fuel. Self-ignition temperature is comparatively low.
<b>Introduction of fuel</b>	A gaseous mixture of fuel-air is introduced during the suction stroke. A carburettor and an ignition system are necessary. Modern engines have gasoline injection.	Fuel is injected directly into the combustion chamber at high pressure at the end of the compression stroke. A fuel pump and injector are necessary.
<b>Load control</b>	Throttle controls the quantity of fuel-air mixture introduced.	The quantity of fuel is regulated. Air quantity is not controlled.
<b>Ignition</b>	Requires an ignition system with spark plug in the combustion chamber. Primary voltage is provided by either a battery or a magneto.	Self-ignition occurs due to high temperature of air because of the high compression. Ignition system and spark plug are not necessary.
<b>Compression ratio</b>	6 to 10. Upper limit is fixed by antiknock quality of the fuel.	16 to 20. Upper limit is limited by weight increase of the engine.
<b>Speed</b>	Due to light weight and also due to homogeneous combustion, they are high speed engines.	Due to heavy weight and also due to heterogeneous combustion, they are low speed engines.
<b>Thermal efficiency</b>	Because of the lower $CR$ , the maximum value of thermal efficiency that can be obtained is lower.	Because of higher $CR$ , the maximum value of thermal efficiency that can be obtained is higher.
<b>Weight</b>	Lighter due to lower peak pressures.	Heavier due to higher peak pressures.

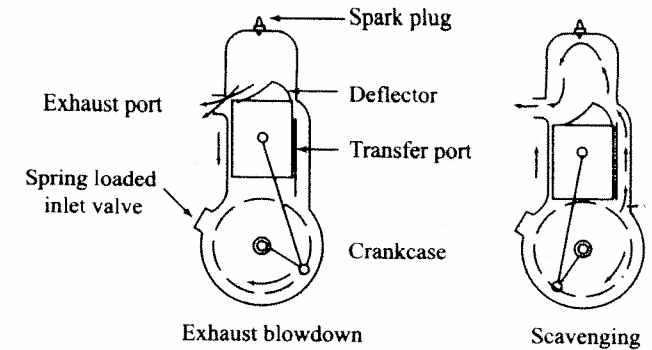


Fig. 1.8 Crankcase Scavenged Two-Stroke Engine

*BDC* the transfer ports close first and then the exhaust ports close when compression of the charge begins and the cycle is repeated.

### 1.3.5 Comparison of Four-Stroke and Two-Stroke Engines

The two-stroke engine was developed to obtain a greater output from the same size of the engine. The engine mechanism also eliminates the valve arrangement making it mechanically simpler. Almost all two-stroke engines have no conventional valves but only ports (some have an exhaust valve). This simplicity of the two-stroke engine makes it cheaper to produce and easy to maintain. Theoretically a two-stroke engine develops twice the power of a comparable four-stroke engine because of one power stroke every revolution (compared to one power stroke every two revolutions of a four-stroke engine). This makes the two-stroke engine more compact than a comparable four-stroke engine. In actual practice power output is not exactly doubled but increased by only about 30% because of

- reduced effective expansion stroke and
- increased heating caused by increased number of power strokes which limits the maximum speed.

The other advantages of the two-stroke engine are more uniform torque on crankshaft and comparatively less exhaust gas dilution. However, when applied to the spark-ignition engine the two-stroke cycle has certain disadvantages which have restricted its application to only small engines suitable for motor cycles, scooters, lawn mowers, outboard engines etc. In the SI engine, the incoming charge consists of fuel and air. During scavenging, as both inlet and exhaust ports are open simultaneously for some time, there is a possibility that some of the fresh charge containing fuel escapes with the exhaust. This results in high fuel consumption and lower thermal efficiency. The other drawback of two-stroke engine is the lack of flexibility, viz., the



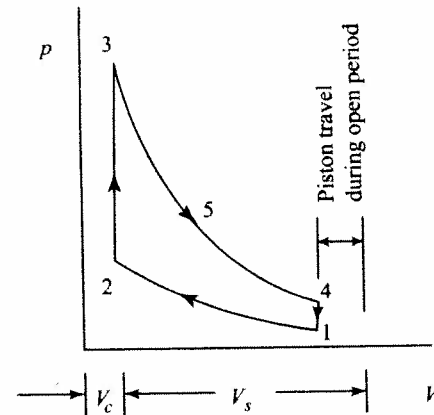


Fig. 1.9 Ideal Indicator Diagram of a Two-Stroke SI Engine

capacity to operate with the same efficiency at all speeds. At part throttle operating condition, the amount of fresh mixture entering the cylinder is not enough to clear all the exhaust gases and a part of it remains in the cylinder to contaminate the charge. This results in irregular operation of the engine.

The two-stroke diesel engine does not suffer from these defects. There is no loss of fuel with exhaust gases as the intake charge in diesel engine is only air. The two-stroke diesel engine is used quite widely. Many of the high output diesel engines work on this cycle. A disadvantage common to all two-stroke engines, gasoline as well as diesel, is the greater cooling and lubricating oil requirements due to one power stroke in each revolution of the crankshaft. Consumption of lubricating oil is high in two-stroke engines due to higher temperature. A detailed comparison of two-stroke and four-stroke engines is given in Table 1.2.

#### 1.4 ACTUAL ENGINES

Actual engines differ from the ideal engines because of various constraints in their operation. The indicator diagram also differs considerably from the ideal indicator diagrams. Actual indicator diagrams of a two-stroke and a four-stroke SI engines are shown in Figs. 1.10(a) and 1.10(b) respectively. The various processes are indicated in the respective figures.

#### 1.5 CLASSIFICATION OF IC ENGINES

Internal combustion engines are usually classified on the basis of the thermodynamic cycle of operation, type of fuel used, method of charging the

Table 1.2 Comparison of Four and Two-Stroke Cycle Engines

Four-Stroke Engine	Two-Stroke Engine
The thermodynamic cycle is completed in four strokes of the piston or in two revolutions of the crankshaft. Thus, one power stroke is obtained in every two revolutions of the crankshaft.	The thermodynamic cycle is completed in two strokes of the piston or in one revolution of the crankshaft. Thus one power stroke is obtained in each revolution of the crankshaft.
Because of the above, turning moment is not so uniform and hence a heavier flywheel is needed.	Because of the above, turning moment is more uniform and hence a lighter flywheel can be used.
Again, because of one power stroke for two revolutions, power produced for same size of engine is less, or for the same power the engine is heavier and bulkier.	Because of one power stroke for every revolution, power produced for same size of engine is twice, or for the same power the engine is lighter and more compact.
Because of one power stroke in two revolutions lesser cooling and lubrication requirements. Lower rate of wear and tear.	Because of one power stroke in one revolution greater cooling and lubrication requirements. Higher rate of wear and tear.
Four-stroke engines have valves and valve actuating mechanisms for opening and closing of the intake and exhaust valves.	Two-stroke engines have no valves but only ports (some two-stroke engines are fitted with conventional exhaust valve or reed valve).
Because of comparatively higher weight and complicated valve mechanism, the initial cost of the engine is more.	Because of light weight and simplicity due to the absence of valve actuating mechanism, initial cost of the engine is less.
Volumetric efficiency is more due to more time for induction.	Volumetric efficiency is low due to lesser time for induction.
Thermal efficiency is higher; part load efficiency is better.	Thermal efficiency is lower; part load efficiency is poor.
Used where efficiency is important, viz., in cars, buses, trucks, tractors, industrial engines, aeroplanes, power generation etc.	Used where low cost, compactness and light weight are important, viz., in mopeds, scooters, motorcycles, hand sprayers etc.



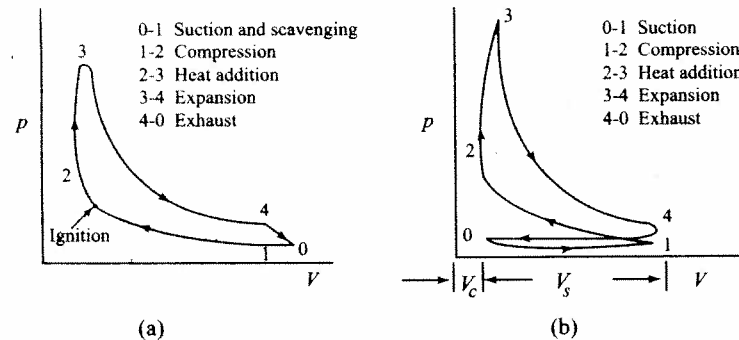


Fig. 1.10 Actual Indicator Diagrams of a Two-Stroke and Four-Stroke SI Engine

cylinder, type of ignition, type of cooling and the cylinder arrangement etc. Details are given in Fig.1.11.

### 1.5.1 Cycle of Operation

According to the cycle of operation, IC engines are basically classified into two categories

- (i) Constant volume heat addition cycle engine or Otto cycle engine. It is also called a Spark-Ignition engine, SI engine or Gasoline engine.
- (ii) Constant-pressure heat addition cycle engine or Diesel cycle engine. It is also called a compression-ignition engine, CI engine or Diesel engine.

### 1.5.2 Type of Fuel Used

Based on the type of fuel used engines are classified as

- (i) Engines using volatile liquid fuels like gasoline, alcohol, kerosene, benzene etc.  
The fuel is generally mixed with air to form a homogeneous charge in a carburettor outside the cylinder and drawn into the cylinder in its suction stroke. The charge is ignited near the end of the compression stroke by an externally applied spark and therefore these engines are called spark-ignition engines.
- (ii) Engines using gaseous fuels like natural gas, Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG), blast furnace gas and biogas.

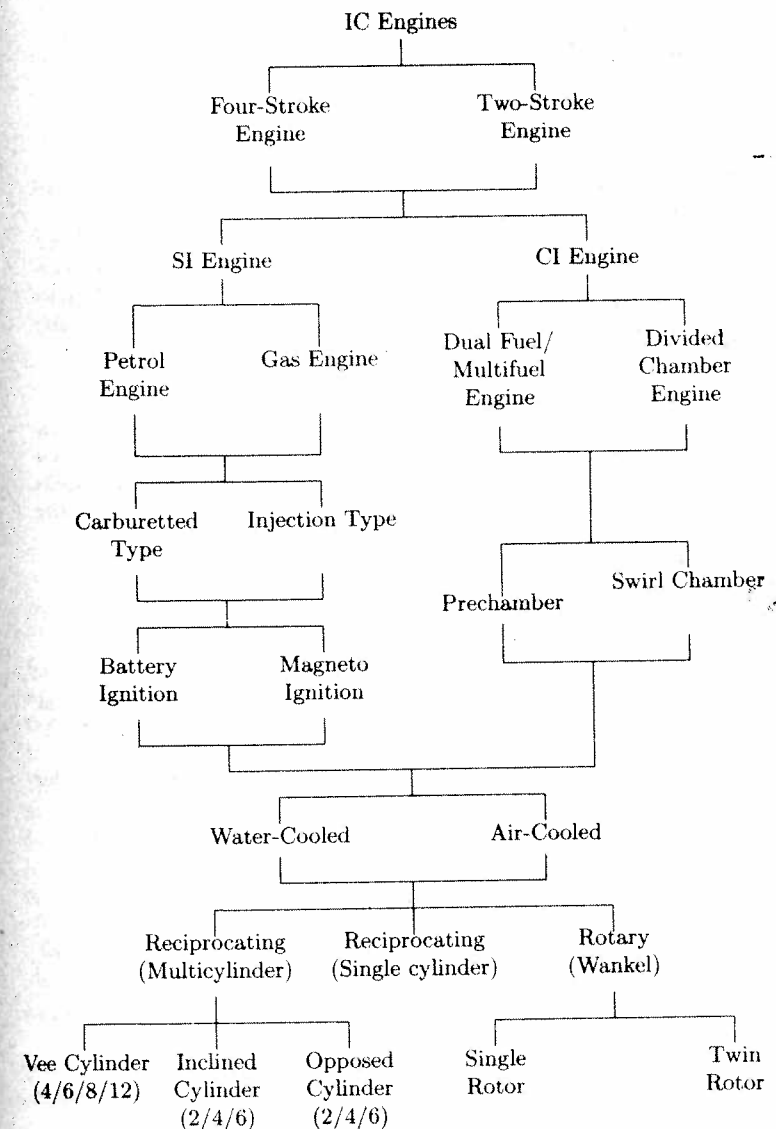


Fig. 1.11 Classification of Internal Combustion Engines

The gas is mixed with air and the mixture is introduced into the cylinder during the suction process. Working of this type of engine is similar to that of the engines using volatile liquid fuels (SI gas engine).

- (iii) Engine using solid fuels like charcoal, powdered coal etc.  
Solid fuels are generally converted into gaseous fuels outside the engine in a separate gas producer and the engine works as a gas engine.
- (iv) Engines using viscous (low volatility at normal atmospheric temperatures) liquid fuels like heavy and light diesel oils.  
The fuel is generally introduced into the cylinder in the form of minute droplets by a fuel injection system near the end of the compression process. Combustion of the fuel takes place due to its coming into contact with the high temperature compressed air in the cylinder. Therefore, these engines are called compression-ignition engines.
- (v) Engines using two fuels (dual-fuel engines)  
A gaseous fuel or a highly volatile liquid fuel is supplied along with air during the suction stroke or during the initial part of compression through a gas valve in the cylinder head and the other fuel (a viscous liquid fuel) is injected into the combustion space near the end of the compression stroke (dual-fuel engines).

### 1.5.3 Method of Charging

According to the method of charging, the engines are classified as

- (i) Naturally aspirated engines : Admission of air or fuel-air mixture at near atmospheric pressure.
- (ii) Supercharged Engines : Admission of air or fuel-air mixture under pressure, i.e., above atmospheric pressure.

### 1.5.4 Type of Ignition

Spark-ignition engines require an external source of energy for the initiation of spark and thereby the combustion process. A high voltage spark is made to jump across the spark plug electrodes. In order to produce the required high voltage there are two types of ignition systems which are normally used. They are :

- (i) battery ignition system                      (ii) magneto ignition system.

They derive their name based on whether a battery or a magneto is used as the primary source of energy for producing the spark.

In the case of CI engines there is no need for an external means to produce the ignition. Because of high compression ratio employed, the resulting temperature at the end of the compression process is high enough to self-ignite the fuel when injected. However, the fuel should be atomized into very fine particles. For this purpose a fuel injection system is normally used.

### 1.5.5 Type of Cooling

Cooling is very essential for the satisfactory running of an engine. There are two types of cooling systems in use and accordingly, the engines are classified as

- (i) air-cooled engine                      (ii) water-cooled engine

### 1.5.6 Cylinder Arrangements

Another common method of classifying reciprocating engines is by the cylinder arrangement. The cylinder arrangement is only applicable to multi-cylinder engines. Two terms used in connection with cylinder arrangements must be defined first.

- (i) *Cylinder Row* : An arrangement of cylinders in which the centre-line of the crankshaft journals is perpendicular to the plane containing the centrelines of the engine cylinders.
- (ii) *Cylinder Bank* : An arrangement of cylinders in which the centre-line of the crankshaft journals is parallel to the plane containing the centrelines of the engine cylinders.

A number of cylinder arrangements popular with designers are described below. The details of various cylinder arrangements are shown in Fig.1.12.

**In-line Engine** : The in-line engine is an engine with one cylinder bank, i.e. all cylinders are arranged linearly, and transmit power to a single crankshaft. This type is quite common with automobile engines. Four and six cylinder in-line engines are popular in automotive applications.

**'V' Engine** : In this engine there are two banks of cylinders (i.e., two in line engines) inclined at an angle to each other and with one crankshaft. Most of the high powered automobiles use the 8 cylinder 'V' engine, four in-line on each side of the 'V'. Engines with more than six cylinders generally employ this configuration.

**Opposed Cylinder Engine** : This engine has two cylinder banks located in the same plane on opposite sides of the crankshaft. It can be visualized as two 'in-line' arrangements 180 degrees apart. It is inherently a well balanced engine and has the advantages of a single crankshaft. This design is used in small aircrafts.

**Opposed Piston Engine** : When a single cylinder houses two pistons, each of which driving a separate crankshaft, it is called an opposed piston engine. The movement of the pistons is synchronized by coupling the two crankshafts. Opposed piston arrangement, like opposed cylinder arrangement, is inherently well balanced. Further, it has the advantage of requiring no cylinder head. By its inherent features, this engine usually functions on the principle of two-stroke engines.

**Radial Engine** : Radial engine is one where more than two cylinders in each row are equally spaced around the crankshaft. The radial arrangement

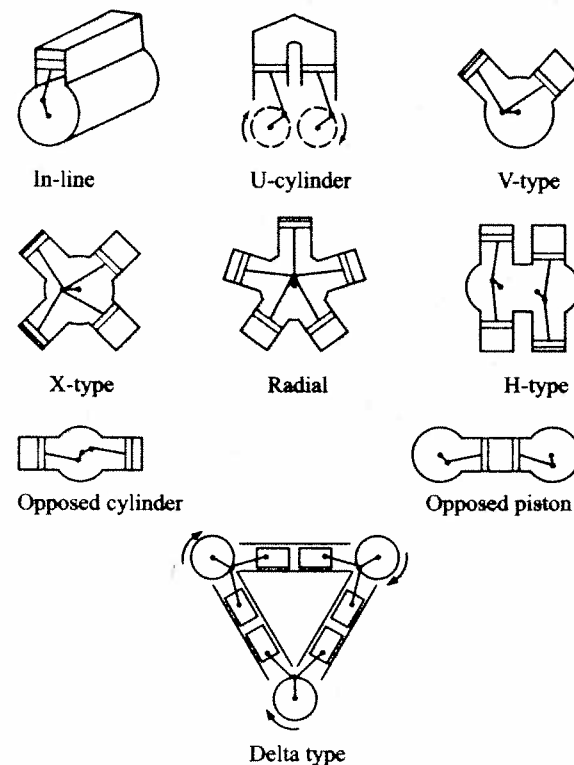


Fig. 1.12 Engine Classification by Cylinder Arrangements

of cylinders is most commonly used in conventional air-cooled aircraft engines where 3, 5, 7 or 9 cylinders may be used in one bank and two to four banks of cylinders may be used. The odd number of cylinders is employed from the point of view of balancing. Pistons of all the cylinders are coupled to the same crankshaft.

**'X' Type Engine :** This design is a variation of 'V' type. It has four banks of cylinders attached to a single crankshaft.

**'H' Type Engine :** The 'H' type is essentially two 'Opposed cylinder' type utilizing two separate but interconnected crankshafts.

**'U' Type Engine :** The 'U' type is a variation of opposed piston arrangement.

**Delta Type Engine :** The delta type is essentially a combination of three opposed piston engine with three crankshafts interlinked to one another.

In general, automobile engines and general purpose engines utilize the 'in-line' and 'V' type configuration or arrangement. The 'radial' engine was

Table 1.3 Application of Engines

IC Engine		EC Engine	
Type	Application	Type	Application
Gasoline engines	Automotive, Marine, Aircraft	Steam Engines	Locomotives, Marine
Gas engines	Industrial power	Stirling Engines	Experimental Space Vehicles
Diesel engines	Automotive, Railways, Power, Marine	Steam Turbines	Power, Large Marine
Gas turbines	Power, Aircraft, Industrial, Marine	Close Cycle Gas Turbine	Power, Marine

used widely in medium and large aircrafts till it was replaced by the gas turbine. Small aircrafts continue to use either the 'opposed cylinder' type or 'in-line' or 'V' type engines. The 'opposed piston' type engine is widely used in large diesel installations. The 'H' and 'X' types do not presently find wide application, except in some diesel installations. A variation of the 'X' type is referred to as the 'pancake' engine.

## 1.6 APPLICATION OF IC ENGINES

The most important application of IC engines is in transport on land, sea and air. Other applications include industrial power plants and as prime movers for electric generators. Table 1.3 gives, in a nutshell, the applications of both IC and EC engines.

### 1.6.1 Two-Stroke Gasoline Engines

Small two-stroke gasoline engines are used where simplicity and low cost of the prime mover are the main considerations. In such applications a little higher fuel consumption is acceptable. The smallest engines are used in mopeds (50 cc engine) and lawn mowers. Scooters and motor cycles, the commonly used two wheeler transport, have generally 100-150 cc, two-stroke gasoline engines developing a maximum brake power of about 5 kW at 5500 rpm. High powered motor cycles have generally 250 cc two-stroke gasoline engines developing a maximum brake power of about 10 kW at 5000 rpm. Two-stroke gasoline engines may also be used in very small electric generating sets, pumping sets, and outboard motor boats. However, their specific fuel consumption is higher due to the loss of fuel-air charge in the process of scavenging and because of high speed of operation for which such small engines are designed.

### 1.6.2 Two-Stroke Diesel Engines

Very high power diesel engines used for ship propulsion are commonly two-stroke diesel engines. In fact, all engines between 400 to 900 mm bore are loop scavenged or uniflow type with exhaust valves (see Figs. 20.8 and 20.9). The brake power on a single crankshaft can be up to 37000 kW. Nordberg, 12 cylinder 800 mm bore and 1550 mm stroke, two-stroke diesel engine develops 20000 kW at 120 rpm. This speed allows the engine to be directly coupled to the propeller of a ship without the necessity of gear reducers.

### 1.6.3 Four-Stroke Gasoline Engines

The most important application of small four-stroke gasoline engines is in automobiles. A typical automobile is powered by a four-stroke four cylinder engine developing an output in the range of 30-60 kW at a speed of about 4500 rpm. American automobile engines are much bigger and have 6 or 8 cylinder engines with a power output up to 185 kW. However, the oil crisis and air pollution from automobile engines have reversed this trend towards smaller capacity cars.

Four-stroke gasoline engines were also used for buses and trucks. They were generally 4000 cc, 6 cylinder engines with maximum brake power of about 90 kW. However, in this application gasoline engines have been practically replaced by diesel engines. The four-stroke gasoline engines have also been used in big motor cycles with side cars. Another application of four-stroke gasoline engine is in small pumping sets and mobile electric generating sets.

Small aircraft generally use radial four-stroke gasoline engines. Engines having maximum power output from 400 kW to 4000 kW have been used in aircraft. An example is the Bristol Contours 57, 18 cylinder two row, sleeve valve, air-cooled radial engine developing a maximum brake power of about 2100 kW.

### 1.6.4 Four-Stroke Diesel Engines

The four-stroke diesel engine is one of the most efficient and versatile prime movers. It is manufactured in sizes from 50 mm to more than 1000 mm of cylinder diameter and with engine speeds ranging from 100 to 4500 rpm while delivering outputs from 1 to 35000 kW.

Small diesel engines are used in pump sets, construction machinery, air compressors, drilling rigs and many miscellaneous applications. Tractors for agricultural application use about 30 kW diesel engines whereas jeeps, buses and trucks use 40 to 100 kW diesel engines. Generally, the diesel engines with higher outputs than about 100 kW are supercharged. Earth moving machines use supercharged diesel engines in the output range of 200 to 400 kW. Locomotive applications require outputs of 600 to 4000 kW. Marine applications, from fishing vessels to ocean going ships use diesel engines from 100 to 35000 kW. Diesel engines are used both for mobile and stationary electric generating plants of varying capacities. Compared to gasoline

engines, diesel engines are more efficient and therefore manufacturers have come out with diesel engines in personal transportation. However, the vibrations from the engine and the unpleasant odour in the exhaust are the main drawbacks.

## 1.7 THE FIRST LAW ANALYSIS OF ENGINE CYCLE

Before a detailed thermodynamic analysis of the engine cycle is done, it is desirable to have a general picture of the energy flow or energy balance of the system so that one becomes familiar with the various performance parameters. Figure 1.13 shows the energy flow through the reciprocating engine and Fig. 1.14 shows its block diagram as an open system.

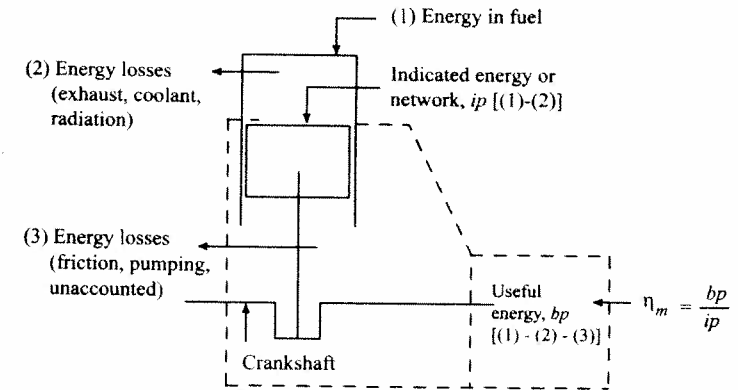


Fig. 1.13 Energy Flow through the Reciprocating Engine

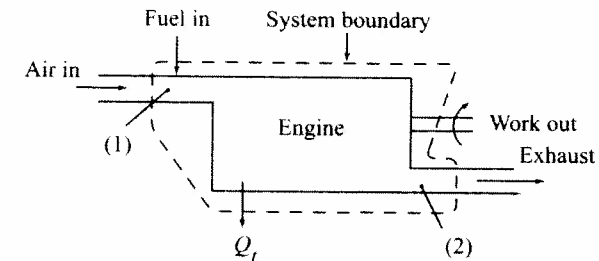


Fig. 1.14 Reciprocating Engine as an Open System

According to the first law of thermodynamics, energy can neither be created nor destroyed. It can only be converted from one form to another.

Therefore, there must be an energy balance of input and output to a system. In the reciprocating internal combustion engine the fuel is fed into the combustion chamber where it burns in air converting chemical energy of the fuel into heat. The liberated heat energy cannot be totally utilized for driving the piston as there are losses through the engine exhaust, to the coolant and due to radiation. The heat energy which is converted to power at this stage is called the indicated power,  $ip$  and it is utilized to drive the piston. The energy represented by the gas forces on the piston passes through the connecting rod to the crankshaft. In this transmission there are energy losses due to bearing friction, pumping losses etc. In addition, a part of the energy available is utilized in driving the auxiliary devices like feed pump, valve mechanisms, ignition systems etc. The sum of all these losses, expressed in units of power is termed as frictional power,  $fp$ . The remaining energy is the useful mechanical energy and is termed as the brake power,  $bp$ . In energy balance, generally, frictional power is not shown separately because ultimately this energy is accounted in exhaust, cooling water, radiation, etc.

### 1.8 ENGINE PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS

The engine performance is indicated by the term *efficiency*,  $\eta$ . Five important engine efficiencies and other related engine performance parameters are given below:

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| (i) Indicated thermal efficiency            | $(\eta_{ith})$          |
| (ii) Brake thermal efficiency               | $(\eta_{bth})$          |
| (iii) Mechanical efficiency                 | $(\eta_m)$              |
| (iv) Volumetric efficiency                  | $(\eta_v)$              |
| (v) Relative efficiency or Efficiency ratio | $(\eta_{rel})$          |
| (vi) Mean effective pressure                | $(p_m)$                 |
| (vii) Mean piston speed                     | $(\bar{s}_p)$           |
| (viii) Specific power output                | $(P_s)$                 |
| (ix) Specific fuel consumption              | $(sfc)$                 |
| (x) Inlet-valve Mach Index                  | $(Z)$                   |
| (x) Fuel-air or air-fuel ratio              | $(F/A \text{ or } A/F)$ |
| (xi) Calorific value of the fuel            | $(CV)$                  |

Figure 1.15 shows the diagrammatic representation of energy distribution in an IC engine.

#### 1.8.1 Indicated Thermal Efficiency ( $\eta_{ith}$ )

Indicated thermal efficiency is the ratio of energy in the indicated power,  $ip$ , to the input fuel energy in appropriate units.

$$[ht]\eta_{ith} = \frac{ip \text{ [kJ/s]}}{\text{energy in fuel per second [kJ/s]}} \quad (1.3)$$

$$= \frac{ip}{\text{mass of fuel/s} \times \text{calorific value of fuel}} \quad (1.4)$$

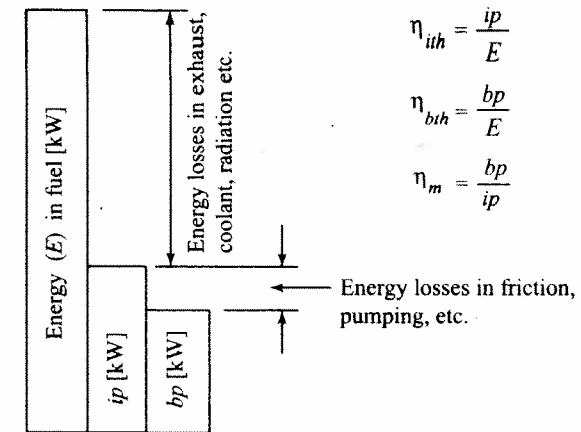


Fig. 1.15 Energy Distribution

$$\eta_{ith} = \frac{ip}{E}$$

$$\eta_{bth} = \frac{bp}{E}$$

$$\eta_m = \frac{bp}{ip}$$

#### 1.8.2 Brake Thermal Efficiency ( $\eta_{bth}$ )

Brake thermal efficiency is the ratio of energy in the brake power,  $bp$ , to the input fuel energy in appropriate units.

$$\eta_{bth} = \frac{bp}{\text{Mass of fuel/s} \times \text{calorific value of fuel}} \quad (1.5)$$

#### 1.8.3 Mechanical Efficiency ( $\eta_m$ )

Mechanical efficiency is defined as the ratio of brake power (delivered power) to the indicated power (power provided to the piston).

$$\eta_m = \frac{bp}{ip} = \frac{bp}{bp + fp} \quad (1.6)$$

$$fp = ip - bp \quad (1.7)$$

It can also be defined as the ratio of the brake thermal efficiency to the indicated thermal efficiency.

#### 1.8.4 Volumetric Efficiency ( $\eta_v$ )

This is one of the very important parameters which decides the performance of four-stroke engines. Four-stroke engines have distinct suction stroke and therefore the volumetric efficiency indicates the breathing ability of the engine. It is to be noted that the utilization of the air is what going to determine the power output of the engine. Hence, an engine must be able to take in as much air as possible.

Volumetric efficiency is defined as the volume flow rate of **air** into the intake system divided by the rate at which the volume is displaced by the system.

$$\eta_v = \frac{\dot{m}_a}{\rho_a V_{dis} N/2} \quad (1.8)$$

where  $\rho_a$  is the inlet density

An alternative equivalent definition for volumetric efficiency is

$$\eta_v = \frac{\dot{m}_a}{\rho_a \dot{V}_d} \quad (1.9)$$

It is to be noted that irrespective of the engine whether SI, CI or gas engine, *volumetric rate of air flow is what to be taken into account* and not the mixture flow.

If  $\rho_a$  is taken as the atmospheric air density, then  $\eta_v$  represents the pumping performance of the entire inlet system. If it is taken as the air density in the inlet manifold, then  $\eta_v$  represents the pumping performance of the inlet port and valve only.

The normal range of volumetric efficiency at full throttle for SI engines is between 80 to 85% where as for CI engines it is between 85 to 90%. Gas engines have much lower volumetric efficiency since gaseous fuel displaces air and therefore the breathing capacity of the engine is reduced.

### 1.8.5 Relative Efficiency or Efficiency Ratio ( $\eta_{rel}$ )

Relative efficiency or efficiency ratio is the ratio of thermal efficiency of an actual cycle to that of the ideal cycle. The efficiency ratio is a very useful criterion which indicates the degree of development of the engine.

$$\eta_{rel} = \frac{\text{Actual thermal efficiency}}{\text{Air-standard efficiency}} \quad (1.10)$$

### 1.8.6 Mean Effective Pressure ( $p_m$ )

Mean effective pressure is the average pressure inside the cylinders of an internal combustion engine based on the calculated or measured power output. It increases as manifold pressure increases. For any particular engine, operating at a given speed and power output, there will be a specific indicated mean effective pressure, *imep*, and a corresponding brake mean effective pressure, *bmep*. They are derived from the indicated and brake power respectively. For derivation see Chapter 17. Indicated power can be shown to be

$$ip = \frac{p_{im} L A n K}{60 \times 1000} \quad (1.11)$$

then, the indicated mean effective pressure can be written as

$$p_{im} = \frac{60000 \times ip}{L A n K} \quad (1.12)$$

Similarly, the brake mean effective pressure is given by

$$p_{bm} = \frac{60000 \times bp}{L A n K} \quad (1.13)$$

where	$ip$	=	indicated power (kW)
	$p_{im}$	=	indicated mean effective pressure (N/m <sup>2</sup> )
	$L$	=	length of the stroke (m)
	$A$	=	area of the piston (m <sup>2</sup> )
	$N$	=	speed in revolutions per minute (rpm)
	$n$	=	Number of power strokes $N/2$ for 4-stroke and $N$ for 2-stroke engines
	$K$	=	number of cylinders

Another way of specifying the indicated mean effective pressure  $p_{im}$  is from the knowledge of engine indicator diagram ( $p$ - $V$  diagram). In this case,  $p_{im}$  may be defined as

$$p_{im} = \frac{\text{Area of the indicator diagram}}{\text{Length of the indicator diagram}}$$

where the length of the indicator diagram is given by the difference between the total volume and the clearance volume.

### 1.8.7 Mean Piston Speed ( $\bar{s}_p$ )

An important parameter in engine applications is the mean piston speed,  $\bar{s}_p$ . It is defined as

$$\bar{s}_p = 2LN$$

where  $L$  is the stroke and  $N$  is the rotational speed of the crankshaft in rpm. It may be noted that  $\bar{s}_p$  is often a more appropriate parameter than crank rotational speed for correlating engine behaviour as a function of speed.

Resistance to gas flow into the engine or stresses due to the inertia of the moving parts limit the maximum value of  $\bar{s}_p$  to within 8 to 15 m/s. Automobile engines operate at the higher end and large marine diesel engines at the lower end of this range of piston speeds.

### 1.8.8 Specific Power Output ( $P_s$ )

Specific power output of an engine is defined as the power output per unit piston area and is a measure of the engine designer's success in using the available piston area regardless of cylinder size. The specific power can be shown to be proportional to the product of the mean effective pressure and mean piston speed.

$$\text{Specific power output, } P_s = bp/A \quad (1.14)$$

$$= \text{constant} \times p_{bm} \times \bar{s}_p \quad (1.15)$$

As can be seen the specific power output consists of two elements, viz., the force available to work and the speed with which it is working. Thus, for the same piston displacement and *bme<sub>p</sub>*, an engine running at a higher speed will give a higher specific output. It is clear that the output of an engine can be increased by increasing either the speed or the *bme<sub>p</sub>*. Increasing the speed involves increase in the mechanical stresses of various engine components. For increasing the *bme<sub>p</sub>* better heat release from the fuel is required and this will involve more thermal load on engine cylinder.

### 1.8.9 Specific Fuel Consumption (*sfc*)

The fuel consumption characteristics of an engine are generally expressed in terms of specific fuel consumption in kilograms of fuel per kilowatt-hour. It is an important parameter that reflects how good the engine performance is. It is inversely proportional to the thermal efficiency of the engine.

$$sfc = \frac{\text{Fuel consumption per unit time}}{\text{Power}} \quad (1.16)$$

Brake specific fuel consumption and indicated specific fuel consumption, abbreviated as *bsfc* and *isfc*, are the specific fuel consumptions on the basis of *bp* and *ip* respectively.

### 1.8.10 Inlet-Valve Mach Index (*Z*)

In a reciprocating engine the flow of intake charge takes place through the intake valve opening which is varying during the induction operation. Also, the maximum gas velocity through this area is limited by the local sonic velocity. Thus gas velocity is finally chosen by the following equation,

$$u = \frac{A_p}{C_i A_i} V_p \quad (1.17)$$

where  $u$  = gas velocity through the inlet valve at smallest flow area

$A_p$  = piston area

$A_i$  = nominal intake valve opening area

$C_i$  = inlet valve flow co-efficient

and

$$\frac{u}{\alpha} = \frac{A_p}{A_i} \frac{V_p}{C_i \alpha} = \left( \frac{b}{D_i} \right)^2 \frac{V_p}{C_i \alpha} = Z \quad (1.18)$$

where  $b$  = cylinder diameter

$D_i$  = inlet valve diameter

$V_p$  = mean piston speed

$\alpha$  = inlet sonic velocity

$C_i$  = inlet valve average flow co-efficient

$Z$  = inlet valve Mach index.

Large number of experiments have been conducted on CFR single cylinder engine with gaseous mixtures and short induction pipe lengths, at fixed

valve timing and fixed compression ratio, but varying inlet valve diameter and lift. The results are quite revealing as regards the relationship of volumetric efficiency versus Mach index are concerned. From Fig.1.16, it could be seen that the maximum volumetric efficiency is obtainable for an inlet Mach number of 0.55. Therefore, engine designers must take care of this factor to get the maximum volumetric efficiency for their engines.

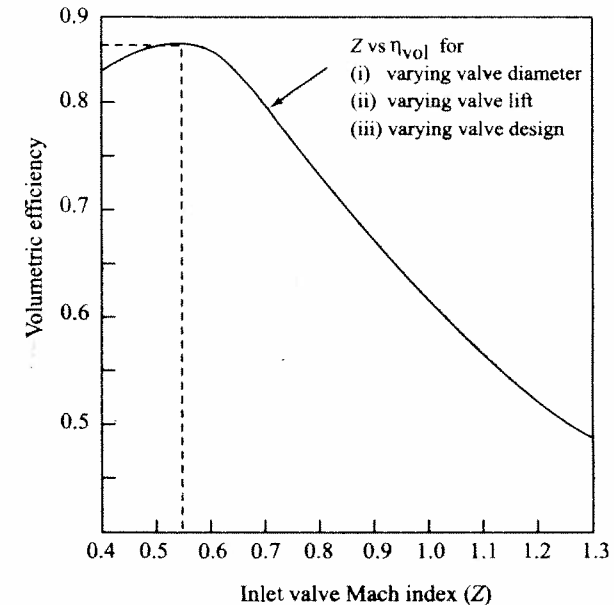


Fig. 1.16 Inlet-Valve Mach Index

### 1.8.11 Fuel-Air (*F/A*) or Air-Fuel Ratio (*A/F*)

The relative proportions of the fuel and air in the engine are very important from the standpoint of combustion and the efficiency of the engine. This is expressed either as a ratio of the mass of the fuel to that of the air or vice versa.

In the SI engine the fuel-air ratio practically remains a constant over a wide range of operation. In CI engines at a given speed the air flow does not vary with load; it is the fuel flow that varies directly with load. Therefore, the term fuel-air ratio is generally used instead of air-fuel ratio.

A mixture that contains just enough air for complete combustion of all the fuel in the mixture is called a chemically correct or stoichiometric fuel-air ratio. A mixture having more fuel than that in a chemically correct mixture is termed as rich mixture and a mixture that contains less fuel (or



excess air) is called a lean mixture. The ratio of actual fuel-air ratio to stoichiometric fuel-air ratio is called equivalence ratio and is denoted by  $\phi$ .

$$\phi = \frac{\text{Actual fuel-air ratio}}{\text{Stoichiometric fuel-air ratio}} \quad (1.19)$$

Accordingly,  $\phi = 1$  means stoichiometric (chemically correct) mixture,  $\phi < 1$  means lean mixture and  $\phi > 1$  means rich mixture.

### 1.8.12 Calorific Value (CV)

Calorific value of a fuel is the thermal energy released per unit quantity of the fuel when the fuel is burned completely and the products of combustion are cooled back to the initial temperature of the combustible mixture. Other terms used for the calorific value are heating value and heat of combustion.

When the products of combustion are cooled to 25 °C practically all the water vapour resulting from the combustion process is condensed. The heating value so obtained is called the higher calorific value or gross calorific value of the fuel. The lower or net calorific value is the heat released when water vapour in the products of combustion is not condensed and remains in the vapour form.

## 1.9 DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE DATA

Engine ratings usually indicate the highest power at which manufacturers expect their products to give satisfactory economy, reliability, and durability under service conditions. Maximum torque, and the speed at which it is achieved, is also usually given. Since both of these quantities depend on displaced volume, for comparative analysis between engines of different displacements in a given engine category normalized performance parameters are more useful.

Typical design and performance data for SI and CI engines used in different applications are summarized in Table 1.4. The four-stroke cycle dominates except in the smallest and largest engines. The larger engines are turbocharged or supercharged. The maximum rated engine speed decreases as engine size increases, maintaining the maximum mean piston speed in the range of about 8 to 15 m/s. The maximum brake mean effective pressure for turbocharged and supercharged engines is higher than for naturally aspirated engines. Because the maximum fuel-air ratio for SI engines is higher than for CI engines, their naturally aspirated maximum *bmep* levels are higher. As the engine size increases, brake specific fuel consumption decreases and fuel conversion efficiency increases due to the reduced heat losses and friction. For the large CI engines, brake thermal efficiencies of about 40% and indicated thermal efficiencies of about 50% can be obtained in modern engines.

Table 1.4 Typical Design and Performance Data for Modern Internal Combustion Engines

Internal Combustion Engines								
	Operating cycle (Stroke)	Compression ratio	Bore (m)	Stroke/bore ratio	Rated Maximum		Weight/Power ratio (kg/kW)	Approx. best <i>bsfc</i> (g/kW h)
					Speed (rev/min)	<i>bmep</i> (atm)		
<b>Spark-ignition engines</b>								
Small (e.g. motorcycles)	2/4	6–10	0.05–0.085	1.2–0.9	4500–7500	4–10	5.5–2.5	350
Passenger cars	4	8–10	0.07–0.1	1.1–0.9	4500–6500	7–10	4–2	270
Trucks	4	7–9	0.09–0.13	1.2–0.7	3600–5000	6.5–7	6.5–2.5	300
Large gas engines	2/4	8–12	0.22–0.45	1.1–1.4	300–900	6.8–12	23–35	200
Wankel engines	4	≈ 9	0.57 dm <sup>3</sup> per chamber		6000–8000	9.5–10.5	1.6–0.9	300
<b>Compression-ignition engines</b>								
Passenger cars	4	16–20	0.075–0.1	1.2–0.9	4000–5000	5–7.5	5–2.5	250
Trucks	4	16–20	0.1–0.15	1.3–0.8	2100–4000	6–9	7–4	210
Locomotive	4/2	16–18	0.15–0.4	1.1–1.3	425–1800	7–23	6–18	190
Large engines	2	10–12	0.4–1	1.2–3.0	110–400	9–17	12–50	180