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Design and Fabrication of Solenoid Compressed Hybrid Air Engine

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Abstract: As we are moving towards the developed country, the need of fossil fuel is increasing day by day with increasing population. We need alternative to replace fossil fuel. In IC engine, the chemical energy gets converted into mechanical energy, i.e., the low grade energy gets converted into high grade energy. The IC engine we use causes more pollution. So to overcome this problem, the electromagnetic force and compressed air is used to run the engine. The solenoid compressed hybrid air engine which uses electric energy and compressed air to run, can replace the use of IC engine. As we pass current through the copper wire winding, the magnetic field generated near the copper wire. The polarity of the magnetic field can vary according to the current. The magnet attached at the piston gets attracted up as the polarity of permanent magnet and this force is transferred to the connecting rod and crankshaft assembly, which transfers the reciprocating motion of piston into rotating motion of crankshaft and finally the flywheel. The electromagnetic engine should be more compatible. The electromagnetic engine does not require extra components like cam follower, valves, fuel pump, injectors, fuel tank etc. The strength of magnetic force can be increased by varying the input voltage and current.

Keywords: Compressed air, engine, Robotic system, pivot, Smart farming.

I. INTRODUCTION

In present day, we can't imagine a day without IC engines, which is one of the greatest inventions of man. The IC engine which is used in automobiles to run it. We need automobile for transporting goods and passengers to travel.

As increasing population, the need of automobile is increasing. The IC engine uses petrol and diesel as fuel. The need of fossil fuel is increasing which gives a hike in the price of fuel. This creates a situation that brings up a need to switch to an alternative source of fuel to produce the power similar to IC engine. The challenge is not to create an engine that operates on an alternate fuel but also have higher efficiencies. The next source of energy that strikes our minds is definitely electrical energy. We can use electrical energy or hybrid which runs on both fossil fuel and electric energy. To increase the efficiency of engine the combination of different energy is used. Government has taken many steps to reduce the vehicular emission by setting emission standards. However, evolution of scientific methods for emission inventory is crucial. Therefore, analysis is done on the emissions from various vehicles by using IVE model. The quality of air in developing countries like India has reached a horrifyingly low level. Modal analysis to estimate a vehicular emission to showcase the temporal emission of vehicles [1].

Pistons and the cylinders of a conventional IC Engine are replaced by the permanent magnet pistons and non-ferro magnetic materials respectively which led to the invention of electromagnetic reciprocating engine by Sherman S. Blalock [2]. Multi-cylinder electro mechanical engine for the automotive that consists of the cylinders containing samarium cobalt type of magnets in pistons located at right angle to the pistons [3]. Growth in this field has led to the invention of Maps Engines which are incorporated with various equipment and machineries whose application are in fields such as aircraft engine, ship engine, locomotive engine and lawn mower [4].

Compressed Air Engine Basics: A Compressed-air engine is a pneumatic actuator that creates useful work by expanding compressed air. A compressed-air vehicle is powered by an air engine, using compressed air, which is stored in a tank. Instead of mixing fuel with air and burning it in the engine to drive pistons with hot expanding gases, compressed air vehicles (CAV) use the expansion of compressed air to drive their pistons. They have existed in many forms over the past two centuries, ranging in size from hand held turbines up to several hundred horsepower. For example, the first mechanically- powered submarine, the 1863 Plongeur, used a compressed-air engine. The laws of physics dictate that uncontained gases will fill any given space. The easiest way to see this in action is to inflate a balloon. The elastic skin of the balloon holds the air tightly inside, but the moment you use a pin to create a hole in the balloon's surface, the air expands outward with so much energy that the balloon explodes. Compressing a gas into a small space is a way to store energy. When the gas expands again, that energy is released to do work.

That's the basic principle behind what makes an air car go. Some types rely on pistons and cylinders, others use turbines. Many compressed air engines improve their performance by heating the incoming air, or the engine itself. Some took this a stage further and burned fuel in the cylinder or turbine, forming a type of internal combustion engine. One manufacturer claims to have designed an engine that is 90 percent efficient. Compressed air propulsion may also be incorporated in hybrid systems, e.g., battery electric propulsion and fuel tanks to recharge the batteries. This kind of system is called hybrid-pneumatic electric propulsion. Additionally, regenerative braking can also be used in conjunction with this system.

A. Study of the Compressed Air Engine and its Working

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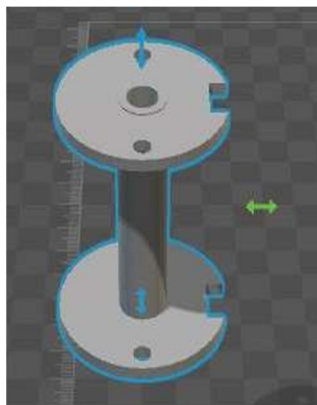
B. 3d Printed Solenoid Compressed Hybrid Air Engine



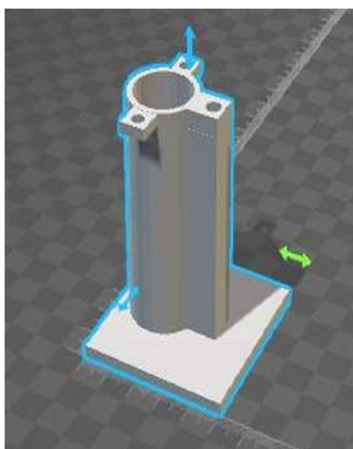
C. Parts of Engine

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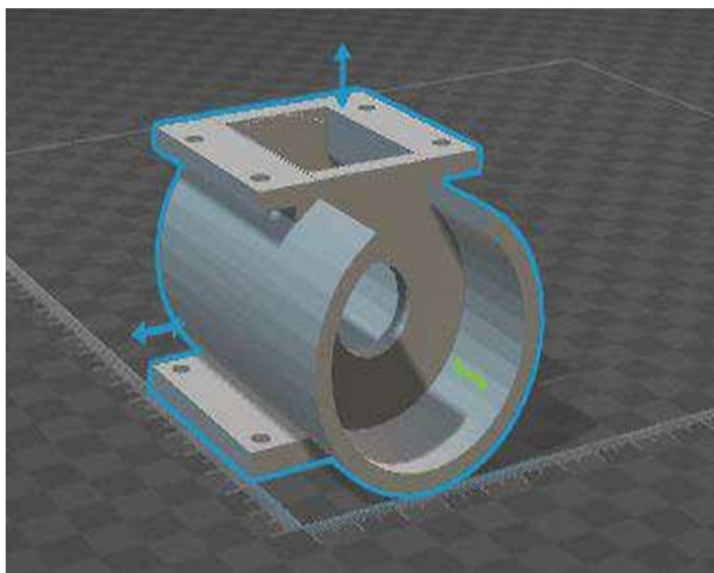
1) Solenoid Block



2) Air engine block



3) Crank and Starter Motor

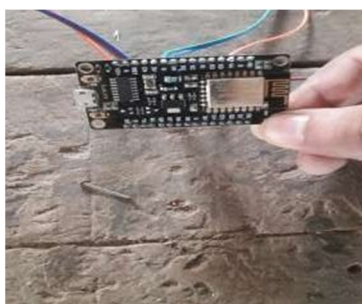


II. LITERATURE

In general terminology, sustainability can be stated as; meeting the needs of current and future mankind/generations through environmental, social and economic improvements, whereas sustainability of the energy resources to preserve the oil and make brighter future of mankind by adding alternative energy sources such as: non-conventional and or renewable energy which is going to help current problem to some extent. Now worldwide researchers/inventors are paying full attention towards this issue. It is also learnt that there are two distinct reasons for search of alternative to fossil fuel and make sustainable energy source; the first one is depletion of oil resources which is causing civilization vulnerable, thereby many researchers, technologists and scientist have spoken as to why alternative to fossil fuel is required another one is higher rate of emission due to rapid use of hydrocarbon fuel. [4] Behavior of compressed air Compressed air is clean, safe, simple and efficient. There are no dangerous exhaust fumes of or other harmful by products when compressed air is used as a utility. It is a non-combustible, non-polluting utility. When air at atmospheric pressure is mechanically compressed by a compressor, the transformation of air at 1 bar (atmospheric pressure) into air at higher pressure (up to 414 bar) is determined by the laws of thermodynamics. They state that an increase in pressure equals a rise in heat and compressing air creates a proportional increase in heat. Boyle's law explains that if a volume of a gas (air) halves during compression, then the pressure is doubled. Charles' law states that the volume of a gas changes in direct proportion to the temperature. These laws explain that pressure, volume and temperature are proportional.

III. ELECTRONICS PARTS

1) Esp8266



The ESP8266 uses a 32bit processor with 16 bit instructions. It is Harvard architecture which mostly means that instruction memory and data memory are completely separate. ... As any other microcontroller, ESP8266 has a set of GPIO pins (General Purpose Input/Output pins) that we can use to “control” external sensors

2) Motor driver (L293D)



The L293D is a 16 pin IC, with eight pins, on each side, dedicated to the controlling of a motor. There are 2 INPUT pins, 2 OUTPUT pins and 1 ENABLE pin for each motor. L293D consist of two H-bridge. H-bridge is the simplest circuit for controlling a low current rated motor.

3) Soil Sensor, 4 Channel Relay and Water Pump



A. Applications

The compressed air engine can be used in many vehicles. Some of its applications to be used as engine for vehicles are:

- 1) Mopeds Jem Stansfield, an English inventor has been able to convert a regular scooter to a compressed air moped. This has been done by equipping the scooter with a compressed air engine and air tank.
- 2) Buses MDI makes MultiCATs vehicle that can be used as buses or trucks. RATP has also already expressed an interest in the compressed-air pollution-free bus.
- 3) Locomotives Compressed air locomotives have been historically used as mining locomotives and in various areas.
- 4) Trams Various compressed-air-powered trams were trialed, starting in 1876 and has been successfully implemented in some cases.
- 5) Watercraft and aircraft Currently, no water or air vehicles exist that make use of the air engine. Historically compressed air engines propelled certain torpedoes.
- 6) In agriculture robots.

B. Discussion

The main points is that with growing progress in technology , drones too are coming in different shapes , sizes and configurations for better stability Moreover , extended components like soil sensors , farm tracker made it easy in mission completion.

After 10 years , the market for robots well reach \$1.6 Billion .Each year , \$6.8 billion is being spend on developing drone technology the robots are even providing new job opportunities .80000, new Smart farming related projects within next three years are going to start itself in U.S.A alone .

So no need for people to be in fear about losing their jobs because of replacement by robots in forthcoming future

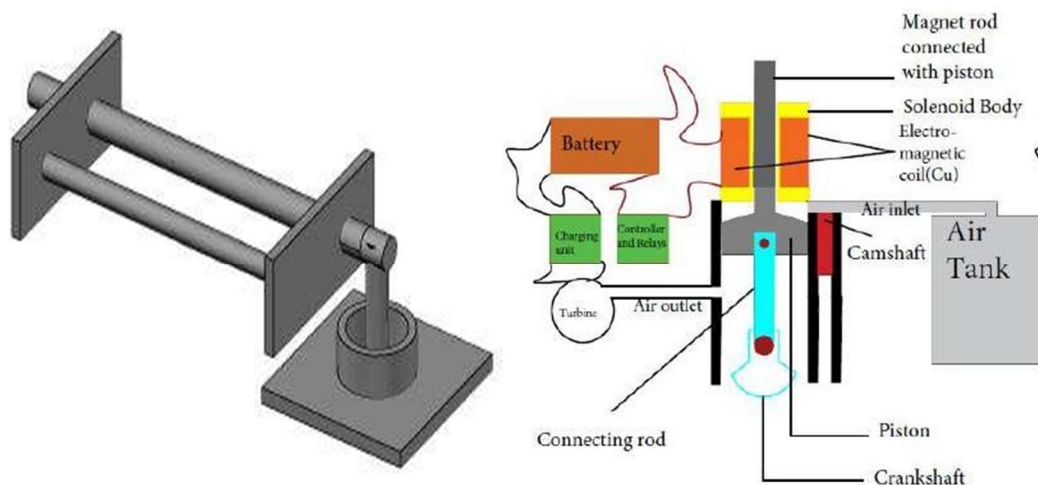
Since the advantage of our technology are more than its disadvantages , then according to robots experts , robots will be ‘ ‘ is trends ‘ ‘ within next 10 years to 15 years ahead .

There is a wide scope that with its extending use in almost every field and with greater powerful components, drones will surely come into full time existence in upcoming future.

IV. PIVOT OR CLOCK SYSTEM

A. Working

The Air Engine uses the power of compressed air to generate torque and rotational motion. Compressed air is filled in the storage tank with the help of compressor. The air is filled in storage tank upto the pressure of 6 to 8 bar. The high pressure air is then supplied to air motor which runs the motor. The power developed by the motor is 0.38-0.44 HP depending upon the road condition. The torque developed by the motor is 26.7 N-m at the maximum power of 307.56 watts. Now rotational motion is transferred to wheels via axle. On rear axle one wheel is fixed & other one is free which is connected via bearing.



Center pivot irrigation is a form of overhead sprinkler irrigation consisting of several segments of pipe (usually galvanized steel or aluminum) with sprinklers positioned along their length, joined together and supported by trusses, and mounted on wheeled towers. [1] The machine moves in a circular pattern and is fed with water from the pivot point at the center of the circle.[8] For a center pivot to be used, the terrain needs to be reasonably flat; but one major advantage of center pivots over alternative systems that use gravity flow is the ability to function in undulating country. This advantage has resulted in increased irrigated acreage and water use in some areas. The system is in use, for example, in parts of the United States, Australia, New Zealand, and Brazil [8] and also in desert areas such as the Sahara and the Middle East.

V. RESULT

In this paper prototype model is working very efficiently. Here we make an engine which runs on compressed air and electromagnetic power (Solenoid). This engine produces the required torque according to their work. It is Green energy and decreases the pollution and make environment clean.

VI. CONCLUSION

Compressed air for vehicle propulsion is already being explored and now air powered vehicles are being developed as a more fuel-efficient means of transportation. In this project a preliminary investigation is carried out to run a vehicle on compressed air. From the observation it can be concluded that compressed air power vehicles can prove to be the future vehicles which are ecofriendly, pollution free, but also very economical. This redresses both the problems of fuel crises and pollution. These are zero emission vehicles. To sum it up, they are nonexpensive vehicles that do not pollute and are easy to get around in cities.

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