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SUMMARY

The objective of this project is to describe how internal combustion engines work and what parts and systems comprising an internal combustion engine. What is the function of all the engine parts, and how they are assembled together, variations of most commonly known engines, what systems and peripheral components are used to construct a functional engine are discussed in this project in the simplest possible way.

Note that for better understanding of the topic a survey of multiple basic components, and systems have been incorporated in the project. Emphasis is given to modern technologies regarding these components and systems, although the basic concept is explained using the older components and systems. Pictures and videos are used throughout the project in order to identify the components and systems and become familiar with the basic operation of internal combustion engines. The videos are provided in a mini DVD attached at the back-cover of the project. Note also that certain models of a two-stroke engine (Suzuki FM50) and a four-stroke engine (Honda CF50) have been sectioned and prepared as training models such that the trainees can visualise the internal components of an engine and how they function together as an engine. These two models have been prepared to be used in Automotive Technology training programmes.

Finally detailed drawings of the two-stroke engine components, as well as assembly drawings of the two-stroke engine are shown. The drawings were constructed using the CAD Software "Siemens UGS NX6", and with the aid of "AutoCAD 2008" as well.

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INTRODUCTION

Heat Engines can be classified as of the external combustion type or the internal combustion type. In an external combustion type engine, the working fluid, which is producing power, is entirely separated from the fuel-air mixture, the heat of combustion being transferred through the walls of a containing vessel or a boiler. Examples of this type are the steam engine, and the closed-cycle gas turbine.

In internal combustion engines the working fluid producing power consists of the products of combustion of the fuel-air mixture itself. This type includes the reciprocating or rotary (Wankel) petrol or diesel engine, and the open-cycle gas turbine.

This project is mainly concerned with the reciprocating piston type, which is the most widely used one, so the term internal combustion engine will denote the reciprocating piston type for the rest of the project.

The internal combustion engine has the lowest ratio of power-plant weight to maximum output and is used extensively in the field of transportation. Today the manufacture of internal combustion engines for automobiles, boats, ships, airplanes, trains and small industrial power units is one of the largest industries in the world.

But how internal combustion engines work? What are the main parts of an engine, and how they are assembled together making an engine to produce power? Basically an internal combustion engine consists of:

- 1. A number of cylinders depending on the engine layout, which are tubes of circular cross section, closed at one end known as cylinder block or monoblock.
- 2. Pistons, which fit closely inside the cylinder, sliding up and down.
- 3. Connecting rod, to connect the piston to the crankshaft.
- 4. Crankshaft, which is the main shaft of the engine and is carried in bearings in the crankcase.
- 5. Camshaft to control when the valves open and close to control the flow of air-fuel mixture and the exhaust gases.

- 6. Valves to control the flow of gases into and out the cylinder.
- 7. A flywheel to smooth out the engine's pulses by using it's inertia to store energy.
- 8. A lubrication system to provide lubrication to the moving parts of the internal combustion engine.
- 9. A cooling system to maintain a steady temperature for the engine and avoid overheating the engine.
- 10. A fuel system to provide the necessary fuel quantity when needed.
- 11. An ignition system is also necessary in petrol engines, to control the firing order of the engine at the right time.
- 12. A clutch system to transmit torque and power to the gearbox when needed.

The braking system of a vehicle, which slows down or stop the vehicle when needed will also be explained as is one of the Diploma Project's objectives.