

# DYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF SLIDER CRANK MECHANISM

## Linear Displacement of PISTON (x)

$$X = r [ (1 - \cos Q) + (n - \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}) ]$$

## Linear Velocity of PISTON (V)

$$V = r \cdot \omega \left[ \sin Q + \frac{\sin 2Q}{2n} \right]$$

## Linear Acceleration of PISTON (a)

We know that

a = Rate of change of linear Velocity wrt Time

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{dV}{dt} \\ &= \frac{dV}{dQ} \times \frac{dQ}{dt} \\ &= \omega \cdot \frac{dV}{dQ} \quad (\text{Since } \frac{dQ}{dt} = \omega = \text{angular velocity}) \\ &= \omega \cdot \frac{d}{dQ} r \cdot \omega \left[ \sin Q + \frac{\sin 2Q}{2n} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Taking r.  $\omega$  common and differentiating above eqn-

$$= r \cdot \omega^2 \left[ \cos Q + \frac{\cos 2Q}{n} \right] \quad \text{Derived}$$

# ANGULAR VELOCITY & ACCELERATION OF CONNECTING ROD

Let,  $\omega_c = \left( \frac{d\beta}{dt} \right) = \text{angular velocity of Connecting Rod}$

We know that

$$Y = l \sin \beta = r \sin Q$$

Or,

$$\sin \beta = \frac{\sin Q}{n} \quad (\text{since } n = l/r)$$

Differentiating both sides w.r.t time

$$\left( \frac{d}{dt} \sin \beta \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\sin Q}{n} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{d}{d\beta} \sin \beta \right) \left( \frac{d\beta}{dt} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{d}{dQ} \sin Q \left( \frac{dQ}{dt} \right)$$

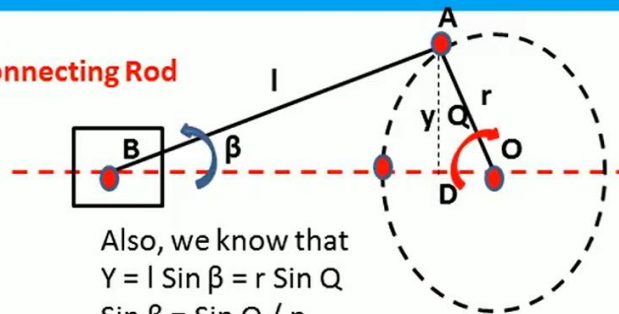
$$\cos \beta \left( \frac{d\beta}{dt} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \cos Q \cdot \omega \quad (\text{Since, } \left( \frac{dQ}{dt} \right) = \omega)$$

$$\left( \frac{d\beta}{dt} \right) = \frac{\omega \cdot \cos Q}{n \cos \beta} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\omega_c = \left( \frac{d\beta}{dt} \right) = \text{angular velocity of Connecting Rod}$$

Therefore from equation (1) and (2)

$$\omega_c = \frac{\omega \cdot \cos Q}{n \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} = \frac{\omega \cdot \cos Q}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} \quad \text{Derived}$$



Also, we know that

$$Y = l \sin \beta = r \sin Q$$

$$\sin \beta = \sin Q / n$$

$$\sin^2 \beta + \cos^2 \beta = 1$$

$$\cos \beta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \beta}$$

$$= \cos \beta = \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{y}{l} \right)^2}$$

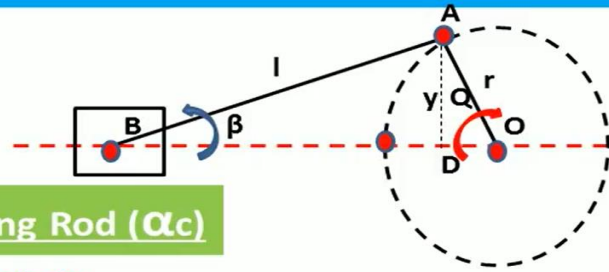
$$= \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{r \sin Q}{l} \right)^2}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{1}{n} \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q} \dots (2)$$

# ANGULAR VELOCITY & ACCELERATION OF CONNECTING ROD

## Angular Velocity of Connecting Rod

$$\omega_c = \frac{w \cdot \cos Q}{n \cdot \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} = \frac{w \cdot \cos Q}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}}$$



## Angular Acceleration of Connecting Rod ( $\alpha_c$ )

$\alpha_c$  = Rate of change of Angular velocity

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{d\omega_c}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{w \cdot \cos Q}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} \\ &= \frac{d}{dQ} \frac{w \cdot \cos Q}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} \left( \frac{dQ}{dt} \right) \\ &= w^2 \frac{d}{dQ} \frac{\cos Q}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 Q}} \end{aligned}$$

On Solving

$$\alpha_c = -w^2 \sin Q \left[ \frac{n^2 - 1}{(n^2 - \sin^2 Q)^{3/2}} \right]$$

- Ve sign indicates that angular acceleration tends to decrease the angle  $\beta$

## Forces on the Reciprocating Parts of an Engine, Neglecting the Weight of the Connecting Rod

**1. Piston effort.** It is the net force acting on the piston or crosshead pin, along the line of stroke. It is denoted by  $F_P$

Let  $m_R$  = Mass of the reciprocating parts, e.g. piston, crosshead pin or gudgeon pin etc., in kg, and

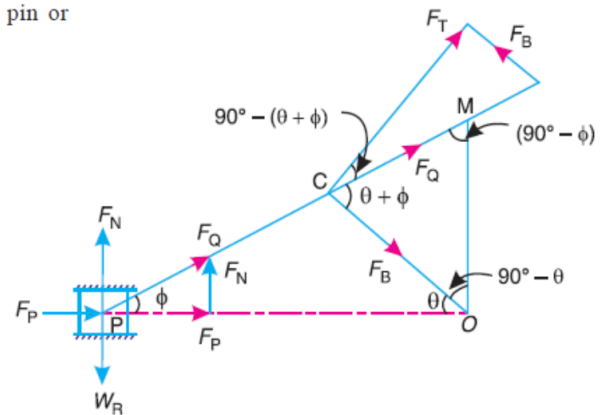
$W_R$  = Weight of the reciprocating parts in newtons =  $m_R \cdot g$

We know that acceleration of the reciprocating parts,

$$a_R = a_P = \omega^2 \cdot r \left( \cos \theta + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{n} \right)$$

$\therefore$  \*Accelerating force or inertia force of the reciprocating parts,

$$F_I = m_R \cdot a_R = m_R \cdot \omega^2 \cdot r \left( \cos \theta + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{n} \right)$$



Piston effort,  $F_P = \text{Net load on the piston} \mp \text{Inertia force}$   
 $= F_L \mp F_I$  ... (Neglecting frictional resistance)  
 $= F_L \mp F_I - R_F$  ... (Considering frictional resistance)

where  $R_F = \text{Frictional resistance.}$

The -ve sign is used when the piston is accelerated, and +ve sign is used when the piston is retarded.

In a double acting reciprocating steam engine, net load on the piston,

where  $F_L = p_1 A_1 - p_2 A_2 = p_1 A_1 - p_2 (A_1 - a)$   
 $p_1, A_1 = \text{Pressure and cross-sectional area on the back end side of the piston,}$   
 $p_2, A_2 = \text{Pressure and cross-sectional area on the crank end side of the piston,}$   
 $a = \text{Cross-sectional area of the piston rod.}$

**Notes :** 1. If 'p' is the net pressure of steam or gas on the piston and D is diameter of the piston, then

Net load on the piston,  $F_L = \text{Pressure} \times \text{Area} = p \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times D^2$

2. In case of a vertical engine, the weight of the reciprocating parts assists the piston effort during the downward stroke (i.e. when the piston moves from top dead centre to bottom dead centre) and opposes during the upward stroke of the piston (i.e. when the piston moves from bottom dead centre to top dead centre).

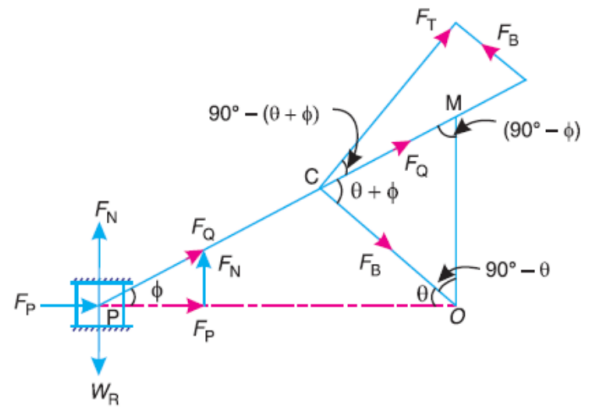
$\therefore$  Piston effort,  $F_P = F_L \mp F_I \pm W_R - R_F$

**2. Force acting along the connecting rod.** It is denoted by  $F_Q$  in Fig. From the geometry of the figure, we find that

$$F_Q = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi}$$

We know that  $\cos \phi = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}}$

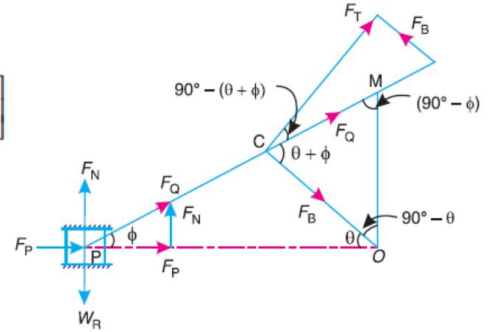
$\therefore F_Q = \frac{F_P}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}}}$



**3. Thrust on the sides of the cylinder walls or normal reaction on the guide bars.** It is denoted by  $F_N$  in Fig. From the figure, we find that

$$F_N = F_Q \sin \phi = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} \times \sin \phi = F_P \tan \phi \quad \dots \left[ \because F_Q = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} \right]$$

**4. Crank-pin effort and thrust on crank shaft bearings.** The force acting on the connecting rod  $F_Q$  may be resolved into two components, one perpendicular to the crank and the other along the crank. The component of  $F_Q$  perpendicular to the crank is known as **crank-pin effort** and it is denoted by  $F_T$  in Fig. The component of  $F_Q$  along the crank produces a thrust on the crank shaft bearings and it is denoted by  $F_B$  in Fig.



Resolving  $F_Q$  perpendicular to the crank,

$$F_T = F_Q \sin (\theta + \phi) = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} \times \sin (\theta + \phi)$$

and resolving  $F_Q$  along the crank,

$$F_B = F_Q \cos (\theta + \phi) = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} \times \cos (\theta + \phi)$$

**5. Crank effort or turning moment or torque on the crank shaft.** The product of the crankpin effort ( $F_T$ ) and the crank pin radius ( $r$ ) is known as **crank effort** or **turning moment** or **torque on the crank shaft**. Mathematically,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Crank effort, } T &= F_T \times r = \frac{F_P \sin (\theta + \phi)}{\cos \phi} \times r \\ &= \frac{F_P (\sin \theta \cos \phi + \cos \theta \sin \phi)}{\cos \phi} \times r \\ &= F_P \left( \sin \theta + \cos \theta \times \frac{\sin \phi}{\cos \phi} \right) \times r \\ &= F_P (\sin \theta + \cos \theta \tan \phi) \times r \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the value of  $\tan \phi$  in equation (i), we have crank effort,

$$\begin{aligned} T &= F_P \left( \sin \theta + \frac{\cos \theta \sin \theta}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} \right) \times r \\ &= F_P \times r \left( \sin \theta + \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} \right) \end{aligned} \quad \dots (ii)$$

We know that  $l \sin \phi = r \sin \theta$

$$\sin \phi = \frac{r}{l} \sin \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{n}$$

and

$$\cos \phi = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \phi} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{n^2}} = \frac{1}{n} \sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\therefore \tan \phi = \frac{\sin \phi}{\cos \phi} = \frac{\sin \theta}{n} \times \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{n^2 - \sin^2 \theta}}$$

$$\dots (\because 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta = \sin 2\theta)$$

**Problem 1.** The crank-pin circle radius of a horizontal engine is 300 mm. The mass of the reciprocating parts is 250 kg. When the crank has travelled  $60^\circ$  from I.D.C., the difference between the driving and the back pressures is 0.35 N/mm<sup>2</sup>. The connecting rod length between centres is 1.2 m and the cylinder bore is 0.5 m. If the engine runs at 250 r.p.m. and if the effect of piston rod diameter is neglected, calculate : **1.** pressure on slide bars, **2.** thrust in the connecting rod, **3.** tangential force on the crank-pin, and **4.** turning moment on the crank shaft.

**Solution.** Given:  $r = 300 \text{ mm} = 0.3 \text{ m}$ ;  $m_R = 250 \text{ kg}$ ;  $\theta = 60^\circ$ ;  $p_1 - p_2 = 0.35 \text{ N/mm}^2$ ;  
 $l = 1.2 \text{ m}$ ;  $D = 0.5 \text{ m} = 500 \text{ mm}$ ;  $N = 250 \text{ r.p.m.}$  or  $\omega = 2\pi \times 250/60 = 26.2 \text{ rad/s}$

First of all, let us find out the piston effort ( $F_P$ ).

We know that net load on the piston,

$$F_L = (p_1 - p_2) \frac{\pi}{4} \times D^2 = 0.35 \times \frac{\pi}{4} (500)^2 = 68730 \text{ N}$$

...(: Force = Pressure  $\times$  Area)

Ratio of length of connecting rod and crank,

$$n = l/r = 1.2/0.3 = 4$$

and accelerating or inertia force on reciprocating parts,

$$\begin{aligned} F_I &= m_R \cdot \omega^2 r \left( \cos \theta + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{n} \right) \\ &= 250 (26.2)^2 \cdot 0.3 \left( \cos 60^\circ + \frac{\cos 120^\circ}{4} \right) = 19306 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Piston effort, } F_P = F_L - F_I = 68730 - 19306 = 49424 \text{ N} = 49.424 \text{ kN}$$

### 1. Pressure on slide bars

Let  $\phi$  = Angle of inclination of the connecting rod to the line of stroke.

$$\text{We know that, } \sin \phi = \frac{\sin \theta}{n} = \frac{\sin 60^\circ}{4} = \frac{0.866}{4} = 0.2165$$

$$\therefore \phi = 12.5^\circ$$

We know that pressure on the slide bars,

$$F_N = F_P \tan \phi = 49.424 \times \tan 12.5^\circ = 10.96 \text{ kN} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

### 2. Thrust in the connecting rod

We know that thrust in the connecting rod,

$$F_Q = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} = \frac{49.424}{\cos 12.5^\circ} = 50.62 \text{ kN} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

### 3. Tangential force on the crank-pin

We know that tangential force on the crank pin,

$$F_T = F_Q \sin (\theta + \phi) = 50.62 \sin (60^\circ + 12.5^\circ) = 48.28 \text{ kN} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

### 4. Turning moment on the crank shaft

We know that turning moment on the crank shaft,

$$T = F_T \times r = 48.28 \times 0.3 = 14.484 \text{ kN-m} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Problem 2.** The crank and connecting rod of a petrol engine, running at 1800 r.p.m. are 50 mm and 200 mm respectively. The diameter of the piston is 80 mm and the mass of the reciprocating parts is 1 kg. At a point during the power stroke, the pressure on the piston is 0.7 N/mm<sup>2</sup>, when it has moved 10 mm from the inner dead centre. Determine : **1.** Net load on the gudgeon pin, **2.** Thrust in the connecting rod, **3.** Reaction between the piston and cylinder, and **4.** The engine speed at which the above values become zero.

**Solution.** Given :  $N = 1800$  r.p.m. or  $\omega = 2\pi \times 1800/60 = 188.52$  rad/s ;  $r = 50$  mm = 0.05 m ;  $l = 200$  mm ;  $D = 80$  mm ;  $m_R = 1$  kg ;  $p = 0.7$  N/mm<sup>2</sup> ;  $x = 10$  mm

**1. Net load on the gudgeon pin**

We know that load on the piston,

$$F_L = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \times p = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (80)^2 \times 0.7 = 3520 \text{ N}$$

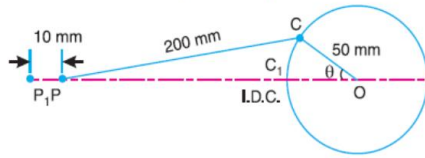


Fig. 15.10

When the piston has moved 10 mm from the inner dead centre, i.e. when  $P_1P = 10$  mm, the crank rotates from  $OC_1$  to  $OC$  through an angle  $\theta$  as shown in Fig. 15.10.

By measurement, we find that  $\theta = 33^\circ$ .

We know that ratio of lengths of connecting rod and crank,

$$n = l/r = 200/50 = 4$$

\* The angle  $\theta$  may also be obtained as follows:

We know that

$$x = r \left[ (1 - \cos \theta) + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{2n} \right] = r \left[ (1 - \cos \theta) + \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{2n} \right]$$

$$10 = 50 \left[ (1 - \cos \theta) + \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{2 \times 4} \right] = \frac{50}{8} [8 - 8 \cos \theta + 1 - \cos^2 \theta]$$

$$= 50 - 50 \cos \theta + 6.25 - 6.25 \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\text{or } 6.25 \cos^2 \theta + 50 \cos \theta - 56.25 = 0$$

Solving this quadratic equation, we get  $\theta = 33.14^\circ$

and inertia force on the reciprocating parts,

$$F_I = m_R \cdot a_R = m_R \cdot \omega^2 \cdot r \left( \cos \theta + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{n} \right)$$

$$= 1 \times (188.52)^2 \times 0.05 \left( \cos 33^\circ + \frac{\cos 66^\circ}{4} \right) = 1671 \text{ N}$$

We know that net load on the gudgeon pin,

$$F_P = F_L - F_I = 3520 - 1671 = 1849 \text{ N Ans.}$$

**2. Thrust in the connecting rod**

Let

$\phi$  = Angle of inclination of the connecting rod to the line of stroke.

We know that,

$$\sin \phi = \frac{\sin \theta}{n} = \frac{\sin 33^\circ}{4} = \frac{0.5446}{4} = 0.1361$$

$\therefore$

$$\phi = 7.82^\circ$$

We know that thrust in the connecting rod,

$$F_Q = \frac{F_P}{\cos \phi} = \frac{1849}{\cos 7.82^\circ} = 1866.3 \text{ N Ans.}$$

### 3. Reaction between the piston and cylinder

We know that reaction between the piston and cylinder,

$$F_N = F_P \tan \phi = 1849 \tan 7.82^\circ = 254 \text{ N } \textbf{Ans.}$$

### 4. Engine speed at which the above values will become zero

A little consideration will show that the above values will become zero, if the inertia force on the reciprocating parts ( $F_I$ ) is equal to the load on the piston ( $F_L$ ). Let  $\omega_1$  be the speed in rad/s, at which  $F_I = F_L$ .

$$\therefore m_R (\omega_1)^2 r \left( \cos \theta + \frac{\cos 2\theta}{n} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 \times p$$

$$1 (\omega_1)^2 \times 0.05 \left( \cos 33^\circ + \frac{\cos 66^\circ}{4} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \times (80)^2 \times 0.7 \quad \text{or} \quad 0.047 (\omega_1)^2 = 3520$$

$$\therefore (\omega_1)^2 = 3520 / 0.047 = 74894 \text{ or } \omega_1 = 273.6 \text{ rad/s}$$

$\therefore$  Corresponding speed in r.p.m.,

$$N_1 = 273.6 \times 60 / 2\pi = 2612 \text{ r.p.m. } \textbf{Ans.}$$