Mechanical engineers play a crucial role in sustainable industrial and societal development, spanning the entire product lifecycle from conceptualization to recycling. They are involved in:

1. **Design and Conceptualization**: Developing initial product concepts, creating designs, and ensuring structural integrity.
2. **Manufacturing**: Studying designs, planning production tooling, and optimizing raw material use.
3. **Logistics**: Procuring materials, managing inventory, and dispatching finished products.
4. **Safety**: Ensuring safe working conditions and protecting human resources, machinery, and equipment.
5. **Economic and Environmental Impact**: Contributing to economic growth by optimizing resource use, extending product life cycles, and promoting recycling. They also develop renewable energy devices, reducing fossil fuel dependence and carbon emissions.

Mechanical engineers work in various roles, including design, production management, safety, quality assurance, logistics, data analysis, drafting, sales, and customer service.

Emerging Trends and Technologies in Mechanical Engineering Across Various Sectors

Energy Sector

- **Overview**: Involves companies in oil/gas exploration, drilling, refining, and integrated power utilities including renewables and coal.
- **Trends**:
    - Increasing efficiency in solar PV cells.
    - Advanced manufacturing processes for wind turbine blades.
    - Innovations in electric vehicles.
    - Development of new material compositions for energy devices.
    - Emphasis on renewable resources to reduce dependency on fossil fuels.

Automotive Industry

- **Overview**: A major global market with significant technological advancements.
- **Trends**:
    - Shift towards electric vehicles (EVs) as alternatives to fossil-fueled cars.
    - Emergence of hybrid vehicles combining electric and gasoline power.
    - Increasing use of automation, mechatronics, the internet, and AI to enhance user experience and comfort.

Aerospace Industry

- **Overview**: Involves the production and innovation of aircraft.
- **Trends**:
    - Use of new materials like composites and shape memory alloys to improve strength-to-weight ratios.

- Advanced manufacturing techniques making aircraft production more economical.

Marine Sector

- **Overview**: Focuses on the design, construction, and maintenance of seagoing vessels and navigation equipment.
- **Trends**:
  - Design and production of propulsion systems and auxiliary power machinery.
  - Maintenance and operation of internal systems of boats, ships, and submarines.

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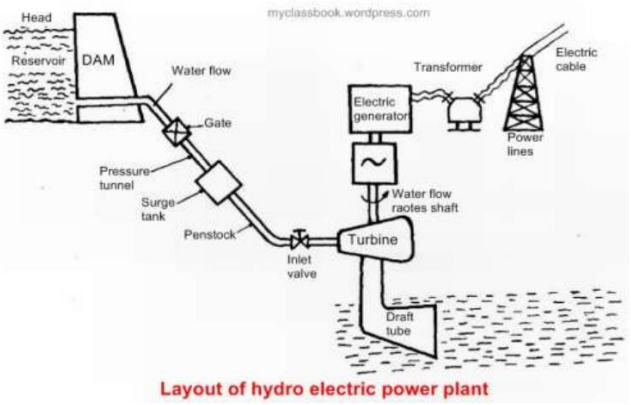

Layout of hydro electric power plant

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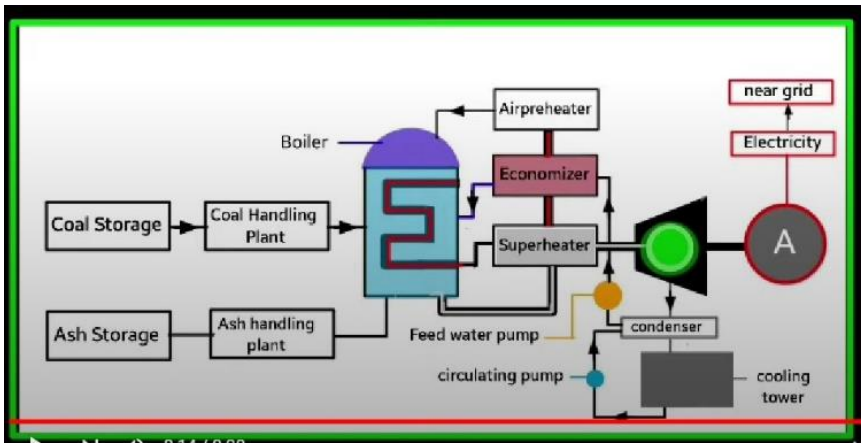

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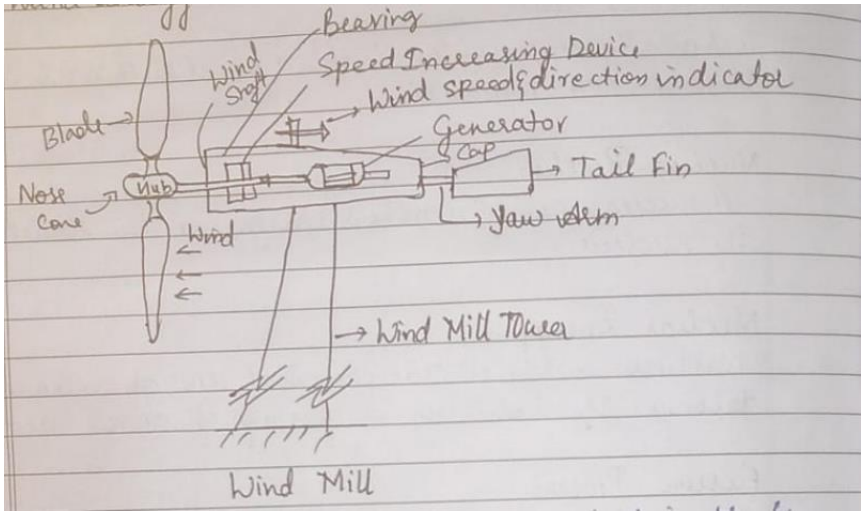

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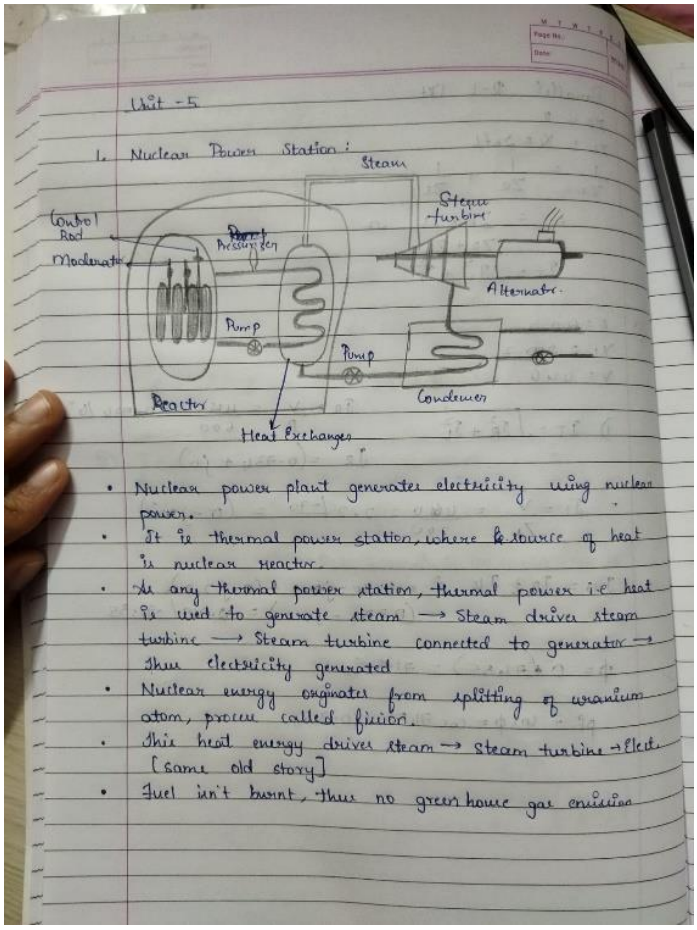

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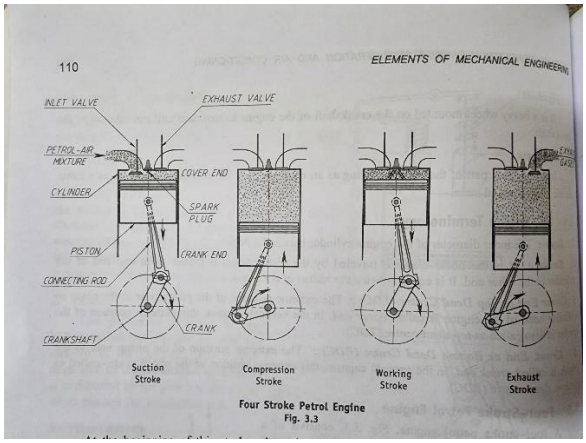

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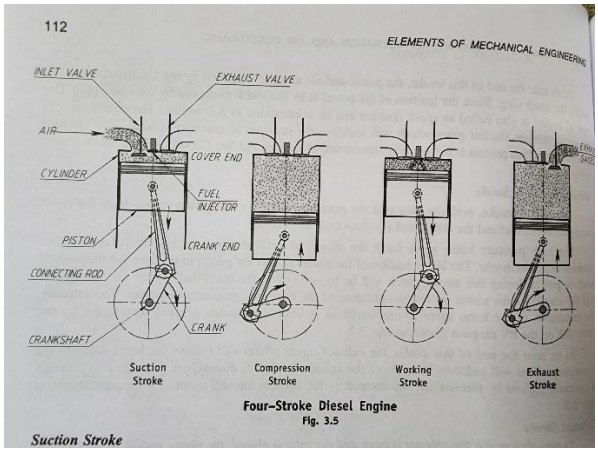

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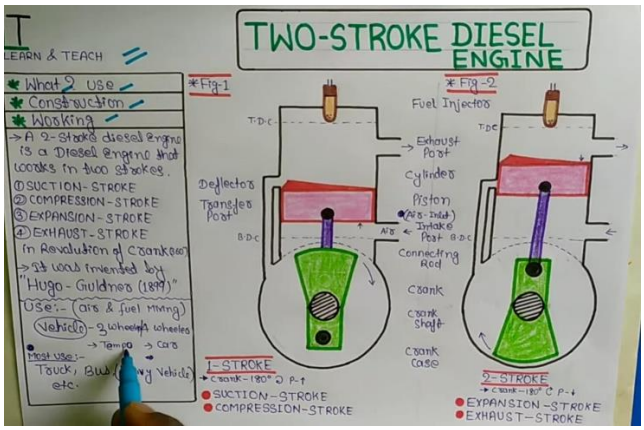

Difference between 4 Stroke Petrol & 4 stroke Disel engine:

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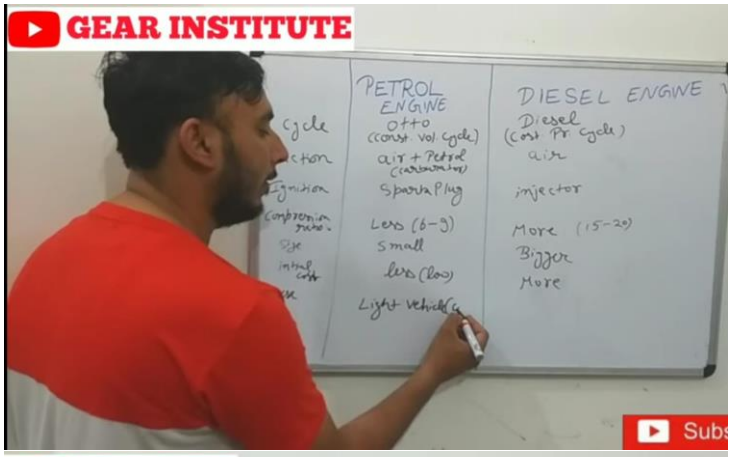

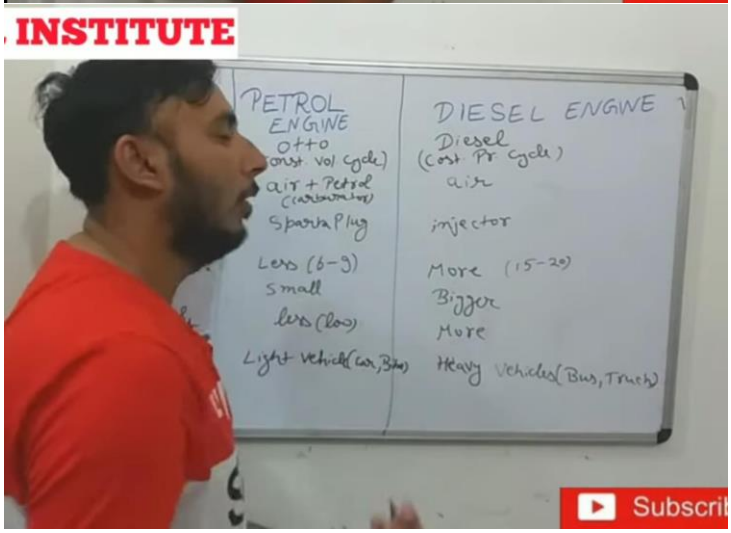

classified as shown in *Fig 7.1*.

4.3 Metals

Metals are classified as Ferrous Metals and Non-ferrous metals based on the presence or absence of iron as its main element.

4.3.1 Ferrous Metals

Ferrous metals are metals that contain iron as its main element. The Ferrous metals possess high strength and are of relatively low cost. They are used in applications where weight is not the primary influencing factor. Examples of Ferrous Metals include Cast iron, Wrought iron and Steel.

1. **Pig Iron**: Pig iron is the intermediate product of smelting iron ore with a high-carbon fuel like coke, normally with limestone as a flux material. Even Charcoal and anthracite could be used as fuel. Typically, pig iron has a very high carbon content of 3.5–4.5%, along with 0.5 to 3% silicon and other constituents of dross (0.04 to 0.2% sulphur, 0.5 to 2.5% manganese and 0.04 to 1% phosphorous), which makes it very brittle and not useful directly

Steels generally have a carbon content ranging from 0.5 to 1.5%. There are other elements in steel such as silicon, sulphur, phosphorous, manganese, etc. By adding alloying elements in required proportions, we can obtain different properties of steel. The role of carbon in steel is important to note because is amount and the resultant microstructure decide various properties of steel such as strength, hardness and response to heat treatment.

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3. **Steel:** *Steel* is an alloy of iron and carbon which is produced either by basic oxygen steelmaking process or by electric arc furnace. In the basic oxygen steelmaking process,

Wrought Iron: Wrought Iron is composed of 99.8% iron. It is produced from pig iron by burning carbon, silicon, manganese, phosphorous and sulphur in a puddling furnace. Since the carbon content is very less, it cannot be hardened by heating and quenching in water.

2. **Cast Iron** is a ferrous material that is produced when pig iron is re-melted in a cupola furnace and poured into moulds in order to make castings. Scrap iron or steel is often added to vary the composition.

Chemical Composition: Cast Iron usually contains iron greater than 90%, about 2 to 4.5% Carbon, 1 to 3% Silicon and small amounts of sulphur, manganese, and phosphorus.

6. **Optical Fiber Glass Basics :** Glass optical fiber is a transparent flexible optical fiber made of glass(silica glass) having diameter slightly thicker than human hair A typical glass fiber optic assembly consists of a bundle of several hundred glass fibers protected by a sheathing material, usually a flexible armored cable. The cable terminates in an end tip that is partially filled with rigid clear epoxy. The outer sheath of a glass fiber optic assembly is usually made from stainless steel or PVC or some other type of flexible plastic tubing. Being a delicate type of optical fiber, it cannot be cut, spliced or repaired, less resistant to flexibility and accidental breakage. Glass fiber optic cables are extremely versatile and robust and available in a mix of configurations, end fittings and adapter types. It can realize the high speed data transmission over long distance. This kind of optical fiber is generally ideal for hostile environments. It performs normal operation even when exposed to mechanical stress, high temperatures or chemical substances. Glass optical fibers have an impressive temperature range, as low as -40°F and up to +900°F. That's because the cables have no electrical components.

Advantages of Glass Fiber Optics

- It is relatively easy, fast, and inexpensive to create a glass fiber optic assembly to fit a specific space or sensing environment.

Stainless steel is usually divided into 5 types:

1. **Ferritic stainless steel:** These steels Chromium based steel having 12% to of chromium and with small amounts of Carbon usually less than 0.10%. have poor weldability and poor formability. The steels show good corro resistance with the increasing chromium content. High Chromium steels additions of Molybdenum can be used in quite aggressive conditions suc sea water. Other uses are automotive exhaust equipments, hot water t architectural components, dishwasher.

2. **Austenitic stainless steel:** The steel has a basic composition of chromium and 8% nickel. They are non magnetic with very good formal good weldability and excellent corrosion resistance. They have exc mechanical properties over wide range of temperatures. Its commonly us architectural applications, chemical plant and equipment, food proce equipment, computer kepboard key springs, kitchen sinks etc.

3. **Martensitic stainless steels** - These steels are similar to ferritic steels in based on Chromium but have higher Carbon levels up as high as 1%. allows them to be hardened and tempered much like carbon and low steels. They are used where high strength and moderate corrosion resista required. They are more common in long products than in sheet and plate They have generally low weldability and formability. They are magnetic. are used in cutlery and surgical tools.

4. **Duplex stainless steel :** These steels have a microstructure wh approximately 50% ferritic and 50% austenitic. This gives them a strength than either ferritic or austenitic steels. The steels have enh strength and resistance to all forms of corrosion compared to standard aus steels. They are weldable but need care in selection of welding consu and heat input. They have moderate formability. They are magnetic but used in heat exchangers, in th

containing tungsten is used in the blades

vi. **Stainless steel**: *Stainless steel* is a type of steel that do not get stained and is resistant to rusting and corrosion. It mainly consists of 18% Chromium, 8% nickel, 0.03% Carbon. The rest is majorly Iron and in small amounts of Manganese, Silicon, Molybdenum, Phosphorous, Sulphur, Nitrogen, etc. Stainless steel will not readily corrode, rust or stain with water unlike the ordinary steel.

b. **Alloy Steels**: Alloy steels are the steels produced by adding elements other than carbon in calculated amounts in order to provide specific properties. The principal alloying elements are nickel, manganese, chromium, tungsten, silicon, copper, cobalt, zirconium, titanium, beryllium, boron, silver, etc.

4.8 Shape Memory Alloys

Shape Memory Alloys (SMA) exhibit shape memory effect. Such alloys when plastically deformed at one temperature, they completely regain to their original shape when raised to a certain higher temperature. The materials have the ability to change its phase as a function of temperature and in the process generate a force or motion. Naval Ordinance Laboratory originally developed such alloy named Nitinol which is now the commonly available shape memory alloy based on Ni-Ti alloys. There are three alloy system, NiTi-based, Cu-based alloy and Fe based, that are of commercial importance in recent days.

Conventional sources of energy	Non- conventional sources of energy
These are widely used and economical	These are rarely used and initial cost is high
Most of them are exhaustible	Most of them are in-exhaustible
Most of them are pollute the environment	Most of them are environment friendly
They are reliable (continuous supply of energy is possible)	They are not reliable (continuous supply of energy is not possible)
Energy transmission cost is high	Energy transmission cost is low
Example: Fossil fuels, Hydel energy	Example: solar, wind, tidal etc.

Difference between Renewable and non-renewable sources of energy:

Renewable sources of energy	Non- Renewable sources of energy
These are in-exhaustible	These are exhaustible
Freely available and environment friendly	Not freely available & hazardous to environment
Initial cost is high but maintenance cost is low	Initial cost is low but maintenance cost is high
Energy concentration varies from region to region	Energy concentration almost same in all region
Example: solar, hydel, wind, tidal etc.	Example: Fossil fuels, nuclear fuels.