

- 4 A piston moves vertically up and down in a cylinder, as illustrated in Fig. 4.1.

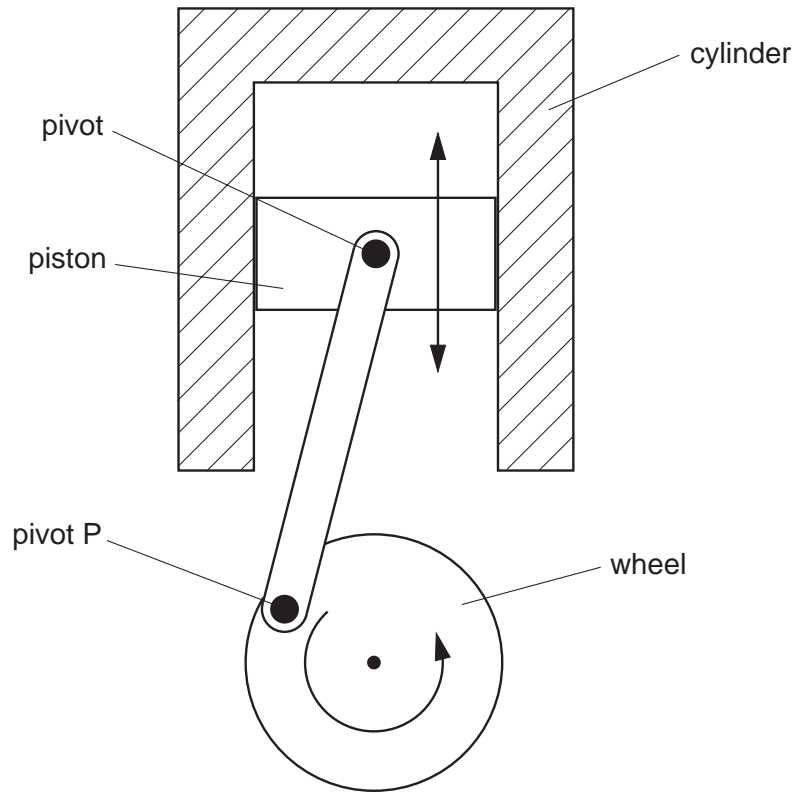


Fig. 4.1

The piston is connected to a wheel by means of a rod that is pivoted at the piston and at the wheel. As the piston moves up and down, the wheel is made to rotate.

- (a) (i) State the number of oscillations made by the piston during one complete rotation of the wheel.

number = [1]

- (ii) The wheel makes 2400 revolutions per minute. Determine the frequency of oscillation of the piston.

frequency = Hz [1]

- (b)** The amplitude of the oscillations of the piston is 42 mm.

Assuming that these oscillations are simple harmonic, calculate the maximum values for the piston of

- (i)** the linear speed,

speed = m s^{-1} [2]

- (ii)** the acceleration.

acceleration = m s^{-2} [2]

- (c)** On Fig. 4.1, mark a position of the pivot P for the piston to have

- (i)** maximum speed (mark this position S), [1]
(ii) maximum acceleration (mark this position A). [1]