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- Q1** (a) State the differences between hydraulic and pneumatic systems, and list three examples of each system found in aircraft. (6 marks)
- (b) Given an SASI pump shown in the **Figure Q1(b)** connected to a hydraulic system under the maximum pressure of 3000 psi and the mechanical advantage of the pump (the ratio of D_1 to D_2) to be 30 to 1. If the piston stroke per cycle is 1 in, find:
- (i) The number of cycles n needed to pump 300 cubic inches of fluid into the system. (3 marks)
- (ii) The force to be applied at the pump handle F_1 . Assume F_1 = constant, and the pressure acting on the piston surface is maximum. (5 marks)
- (c) The 500 kg load on the hydraulic lift shown in **Figure Q1(c)** is to be raised by pouring oil ($\rho = 780 \text{ kg/m}^3$) into a thin tube. Determine h in order to begin to raise the weight. (11 marks)
- Q2** (a) State the source from which the compressed air is obtained to support the operation of all pneumatic systems in an aircraft. (4 marks)
- (b) "Good lubricity and good heat dissipation are two important properties of hydraulic fluids." Elaborate the statement. (10 marks)
- (c) Air enters a compressor with a stagnation pressure of 100 kPa and a stagnation temperature of 27°C . It is compressed to a stagnation pressure of 900 kPa. Assuming the air as an ideal gas, and the compression process to be isentropic, sketch a schematic diagram based on these information, and determine the power input (in kW) to the compressor for a mass flow rate of 0.02 kg/s. Given the specific heat at constant pressure, $c_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$. (11 marks)
- Q3** (a) Due to an unequal distribution of fuel in the wing tanks, the centers of gravity are at point A, B, and C for airplane fuselage, left wing, and right

wing, respectively as shown in **Figure Q3(a)**. If these components have weights $W_A = 225$ kN, $W_B = 40$ kN, and $W_C = 30$ kN, respectively, determine the normal reactions of the wheels D, E, and F on the ground.
(9 marks)

(b) Explain the function of tyre as a part of the landing gear configuration. Discuss various alternatives to hydraulic shock absorber used in the landing gear of most large aircrafts.
(7 marks)

(c) The criteria for a landing gear retraction is as follows:
Force Requirements = 5000 lb
Distance moved = 2 ft
Time required = 10 s

(i) Determine the mechanical power required in watt.
(3 marks)

(ii) If the pressure p in the system is 2100 psi, obtain the flow rate requirement Q in gpm.
(3 marks)

(iii) Find the hydraulic horsepower if the system has an efficiency of 0.5.
(3 marks)

Q4 (a) In an aircraft lubrication system, oil at 20°C flows from the sump through the engine where the temperature of the oil increases rapidly to 80°C. If the specific heat capacity of the engine oil at constant pressure is 2100 J/(kg °C) and its mass is 0.3 kg, determine the heat energy absorbed.
(8 marks)

(b) A 0.5 kg heat exchanger fin which made up of aluminium alloy decreases in its temperature from 180°C to 100°C. By taking the specific heat capacity of aluminium alloy at constant pressure to be 0.92 kJ/(kg°C), calculate the heat released by the fin.
(8 marks)

(c) A SASI hydraulic system hand pump is shown in **Figure Q1(b)**. Suppose that the force delivered is $F_1 = 100$ lb at a distance $D_1 = 20$ inches from the pump handle pivot, and that $D_2 = 1$ inch is the distance between the pivot and the pump piston. If the piston area on which the oil acts is $A = 2$ in², obtain the maximum pressure developed.
(9 marks)

- Q5** (a) Give the most important characteristics of lubricant oil. Discuss your answer. (5 marks)
- (b) In a Cessna 182S air-conditioning system, 15 m³/s of air at a temperature of 27 °C pass over an evaporator which reduces its temperature to 13°C. The air is then blown over a reheater, which increases its temperature to 18°C. Obtain:
- (i) The amount of air handled by the blower; (5 marks)
- (ii) The quantity of the supplied air. (5 marks)
- (c) The Boeing 737-800 is descending from an altitude 30,000 ft to 3000 ft at rate 1000 fpm. At altitude 30,000 ft, the cabin is pressurising at level 6000 ft. The pilot wants the cabin pressure to be at 1000 ft when aircraft reaches 3000 ft. Calculate the ideal rate of descend for the cabin pressure. (10 marks)

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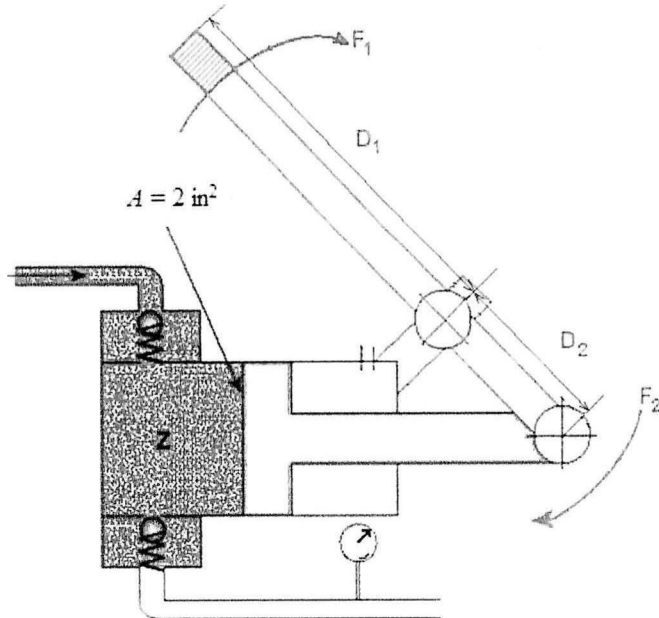


Figure Q1(b)

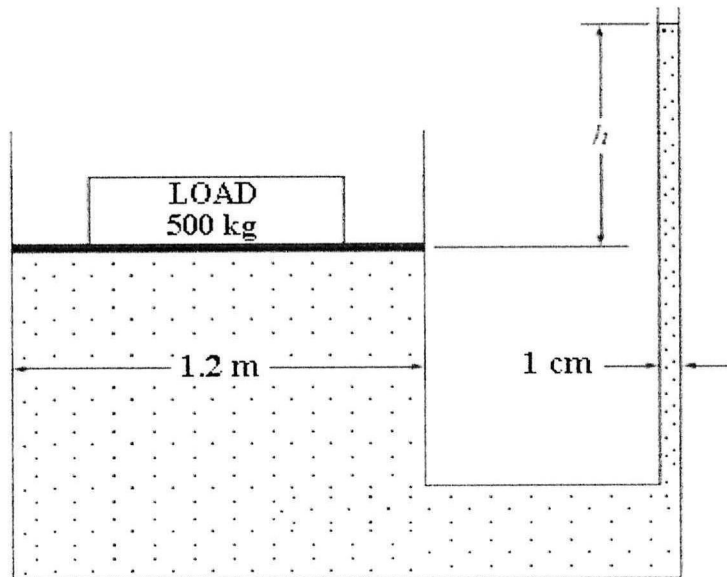


Figure Q1(c)

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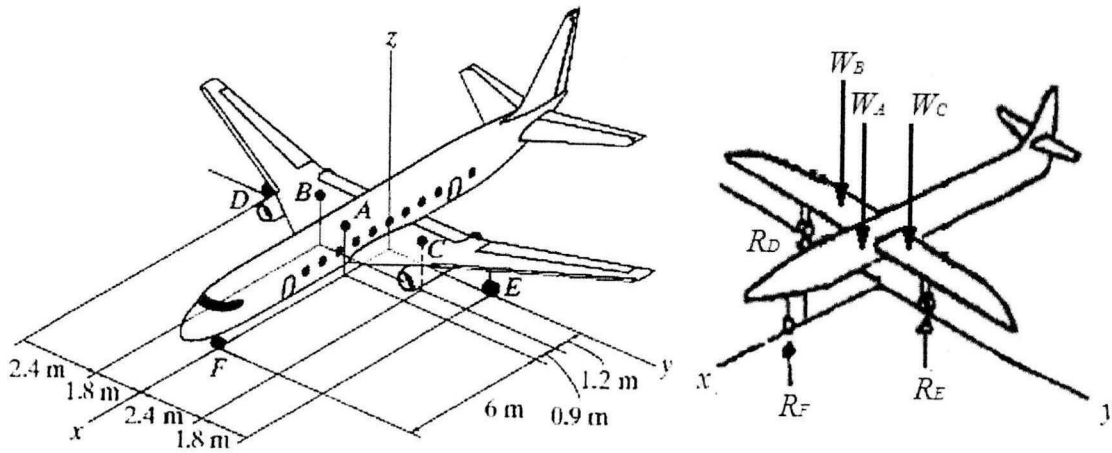


Figure Q3(a)