F01L

CYCLICALLY OPERATING VALVES FOR MACHINES OR ENGINES (valves in general F16K)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Valve-gear or valve arrangements, e.g. lift-valve gear;

Lift-valve, i.e. cut-off apparatus with closure members having at least a component of their opening and closing motion perpendicular to the closing faces;

Slide valve-gear or valve-arrangements;

Valve-gear or valve arrangements actuated non-mechanically;

Valve arrangements in working piston or piston-rod;

Modifications of valve-gear to facilitate reversing, braking, starting, changing compression ratio, or other specific operations;

Valve-gear or valve arrangements, e.g. with reciprocatory slide valves, other than provided for in groups;

Slide valve-gear or valve arrangements with cylindrical, sleeve, or part annularly-shaped valves surrounding working cylinder or piston;

Slide valve-gear or valve arrangements with reciprocatory and other movement of same valve, e.g. longitudinally of working cylinder and in cross direction

Use of working pistons or pistons-rods as fluid-distributing valves or a valve-supporting elements, e.g. in free-piston machines

Valves controlled by impact by piston, e.g. in free-piston machines; Drive, or adjustment during the operation, or distribution or expansion valves by non-mechanical means;

Distribution or expansion valve-gear peculiar to free-piston machines or engines;

Reversing gear Valve drive, valve adjustment during operation;

Rotary or oscillatory slide valve-gear or valve arrangements, specially adapted for machines or engines with variable fluid distribution;

Lift valve-gear or valve arrangements specially adapted for machines or engines with variable fluid distribution

In this subclass F01L the terms "for machines or engines" are used with the meanings: "engine" means a device for continuously converting fluid energy into mechanical power; thus this term includes, for example steam piston engines or steam turbine or internal combustion engines; "machine" means a device which could equally be an engine and a pump, and not a device which is restricted to an engine or one which is restricted to a pump.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| In machines or engines in general, control of working-fluid admission or discharge peculiar thereto | F01B 3/10, F01B 15/06 |
In rotary-piston machines or engines, control of working-fluid admission or discharge

F01C 2021/12

In internal-combustion aspects of rotary-piston engines, valve control therefor

F02B 53/06

In positive-displacement engines driven by liquids, distributing valve-gear peculiar thereto

F03C 1/08

In positive displacement machines or pumps, self-acting distribution members

F04B 1/18

In positive displacement machines or pumps positively-driven distribution members

F04B 7/00

In positive displacement machines or pumps, actuation of distribution members

F04B 39/08

In positive displacement machines or pumps, adaptation or arrangements of distribution members

F04B 39/10

In rotary-piston pumps for liquid, control of working-fluid admission or discharge

F04C15/02

In rotary-piston pumps for elastic fluids, control of working-fluid admission or discharge

F04C29/08

F01L 1/00

Valve-gear or valve arrangements, e.g. lift-valve gear (lift-valve and valve-seat assemblies per se F01L 3/00; slide-valve gear F01L 5/00; actuated non-mechanically F01L 9/00; valve arrangements in working piston or piston rod F01L 11/00; modifications of valve-gear to facilitate reversing, braking, starting, changing compression ratio, or other specific operations F01L 13/00)

Definition statement

This place covers:

Valve drive units, e.g. transmission between crankshaft and camshaft, camshaft arrangements, cam followers, camshaft phasers.

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

Valve-gear specially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution

F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00

Valve arrangements in general

F16K

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Lift-valve and valve-seat assemblies per se

F01L 3/00

Slide-valve gear

F01L 5/00

Actuated non-mechanically

F01L 9/00

Valve arrangements in working piston or piston rod

F01L 11/00
Modifications of valve-gear to facilitate reversing, braking, starting, changing compression ratio, or other specific operations

F01L 1/02
Valve drive (transmitting-gear between valve drive and valve F01L 1/12)

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<td>Auxiliary apparatus of engines driven by means of chains, belts or like endless members:</td>
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<td>Driving belts, driving chains:</td>
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F01L 1/022

{Chain drive}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Gearings for conveying rotary motion with chains | F16H 7/06 |

**F01L 1/024**

{Belt drive}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Illustrative example
References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Gearings for conveying rotary motion with belts | F16H 7/02 |

F01L 1/026

{Gear drive}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
Camshafts

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<td>Connecting cams to shaft</td>
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<td>Characterised by their construction</td>
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**F01L 1/053**  
overhead type

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**F01L 1/08**  
Shape of cams

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F01L 1/10
by means of crank-or eccentric-driven rods {(F01L 1/044 takes precedence)}

Definition statement
This place covers:

Illustrative example
F01L 1/12
Transmitting gear between valve drive and valve (simultaneously operating two or more valves F01L 1/26)

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Valve arrangement comprising rollers | F01L 2105/00, F01L 2105/02 |

F01L 1/14
Tappets {(hydraulic tappets for automatically adjusting or compensating clearance F01L 1/24)}; Push rods

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Preventing the rotation of tappet | F01L 2107/00 |
| Lubrication of tappets | F01M 9/104 |
| Tappets for fuel pump | F02M 59/102 |

F01L 1/18
Rocking arms or levers

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Split rocking arms | F01L 2001/186 |
| Clips for retaining rocker arm on pivot | F01L 2001/187 |
| Fulcrums at upper surface | F01L1/18G |
| Manufacturing | B21K 1/205, B21D 53/84 |
**F01L 1/181**

{Centre pivot rocking arms}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

**Illustrative example**

F01L 1/182

{the rocking arm being pivoted about an individual fulcrum, i.e. not about a common shaft}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
F01L 1/183
{of the boat type}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
F01L 1/185
{Overhead end-pivot rocking arms}

Definition statement
This place covers:

Illustrative example

Patented Feb. 16, 1971 3,563,215

F01L 1/24
by fluid means, e.g. hydraulically

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Self-contained lash adjusters | F01L 2109/00 |

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F01L 1/32
characterised by the provision of means for rotating lift valves, e.g. to diminish wear

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Arrangements for valve movement other than for opening or closing e.g. grinding-in, preventing sticking | F16K 29/00 |

F01L 1/34
characterised by the provision of means for changing the timing of the valves without changing the duration of opening {and without affecting the magnitude of the valve lift}

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:

| Means for changing valve lift, which thereby change the timing of opening and the timing of closing | F01L 13/00, F01L 13/0015 |

Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Modifying distribution valve timing | F02B 29/08 |
| Coupling of coaxial shafts for variable angular relationship | F16D 3/10 |
| Gearing for varying phase | F16H 35/008 |

F01L 1/344
changing the angular relationship between crankshaft and camshaft, e.g. using helicoidal gear

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Yielding couplings with means for varying the angular relationship of two coaxial shafts during motion | F16D 3/10 |
| Gearings for variation of rotational phase between input and output shaft | F16H 35/008 |
F01L 1/34403
{using helically teethed sleeve or gear moving axially between crankshaft and camshaft}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example

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F01L 1/34406
{the helically teethed sleeve being located in the camshaft driving pulley}

Definition statement
This place covers:
Illustrative example

F01L 1/34413
{using composite camshafts, e.g. with cams being able to move relative to the camshaft}

Definition statement
This place covers:
Illustrative example
References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| composite camshafts | F01L 2001/0473 |

F01L 1/34416

{using twisted cams}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

If axial displacement of a three-dimensional cam modifies beyond the opening/closing timing also the valve lift

F01L 1/3442

{using hydraulic chambers with variable volume to transmit the rotating force}

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example
References

Informative references

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F01L 1/348
by means acting on timing belts or chains

Definition statement
This place covers:
Illustrative example

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Means for varying tension of belts, ropes or chains | F16H 7/08 |
F01L 1/352
using bevel or epicyclic gear

Definition statement

This place covers:

Illustrative example

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Differential gears between crankshaft and camshaft(s) for varying timing | F01L 2111/00 |
| Gears with orbital motion | F16H 1/321 |
| Wave gearings, harmonic drive transmission | F16H 49/001 |

F01L 3/00

Lift-valve, i.e. cut-off apparatus with closure members having at least a component of their opening and closing motion perpendicular to the closing faces; Parts or accessories thereof

References

Limiting references

This place does not cover:

| Valve-gear specially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |
Valves for specific use as Exhaust Gas Recirculation valves (EGR valves) s

**Informative references**

*Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:*

| Finishing, reconditioning valves: | B23C 3/05 |
| Making poppet valves: | B23P 15/002; B21K 1/22; |

**F01L 5/00**

Slide valve-gear or valve-arrangements (with pure rotary or oscillatory movement **F01L 7/00**)

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Valve-arrangements with pure rotary or oscillatory movement | F01L 7/00 |
| Valve-gear specially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |

**F01L 7/00**

Rotary or oscillatory slide valve-gear or valve arrangements (slide valves with combined rotary and non-rotary movements, combinations of rotary and non-rotary slide valves **F01L 5/00**)

**References**

**Limiting references**

*This place does not cover:*

| Slide valves with combined rotary and non-rotary movements, combinations of rotary and non-rotary slide valves | F01L 5/00 |
| Valve-gear specially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |

**Informative references**

*Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:*

| Rotary valve drives: | F01L 2113/00 |
F01L 9/00
Valve-gear or valve arrangements actuated non-mechanically

References
Limiting references
This place does not cover:

| Valve-gear specially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |

F01L 9/02
by fluid means, e.g. hydraulic

References
Informative references
Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Boost means | F01L9/02E |
| Fluid pressure actuators | F15B 13/00 |

F01L 9/04
by electric means

Definition statement
This place covers:
Illustrative example
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**F01L 11/00**
Valve arrangements in working piston or piston-rod

**References**

*Limiting references*

*This place does not cover:*

| Valves especially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |

**F01L 13/00**
Modifications of valve-gear to facilitate reversing, braking, starting, changing compression ratio, or other specific operations

**References**

*Limiting references*

*This place does not cover:*

| Valves especially for steam engines or specially for other machines or engines with variable fluid distribution | F01L 15/00- F01L 35/00 |

| Methods of controlling engine output power by varying valve lift and timing of inlet resp. exhaust valve(s), for which the emphasis is not on the structure of the valve gear used | F02D 13/00, F02D 13/02, F02D 13/04, F02D 13/06, F02D 13/08, F02D 15/00 |

**Informative references**

*Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:*

| Controlling engine output power by varying valve lift and timing of inlet resp. exhaust valve(s): | F02D 13/00; |
| Internal EGR | F02M 26/01 |

**F01L 13/0005**
{Deactivating valves}

**Definition statement**

*This place covers:*

Structure of valve drive switchable to a valve deactivating mode for lost motion of the cam follower, e.g. two-part cam followers with switchable locking means there between.

**References**

*Limiting references*

*This place does not cover:*

| Methods of controlling engines by rendering engine inoperative or idling or by cutting out individual cylinders, for which the emphasis is not on the structure of the valve gear used | F02D 17/00 |
F01L 13/06

for braking

Definition statement

This place covers:
Structure of valve drive switchable to an engine braking mode, e.g. actuator opening exhaust valve for compression release event or cam follower switchable to a configuration to transmit to the valve the lift of a cam braking lobe.

References

Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

| Control of valve gear for switching to compressor action for braking: | F01L 2760/003 |
| Braking being exclusively produced by compression in the cylinders: | F01L 2760/004: |
| In cooperation with vehicle transmission or brakes: | F01L 2760/005 |
| Engine brake with retarder: | B60W 10/18 |
| Control of engine for using engine as brake: | F02D 13/04 |

F01L 23/00

Valves controlled by impact by piston, e.g. in free-piston machines {{(F01L 25/063 takes precedence)}}

Definition statement

This place covers:
valves actuated by interference with the stroke of the piston, valves ballistically driven

F01L 25/00

Drive, or adjustment during the operation, or distribution or expansion valves by non-mechanical means

Definition statement

This place covers:
Types of non-mechanical valve drives like for F01L 9/00, but for steam engines
F01L 27/00
Distribution or expansion valve-gear peculiar to free-piston machines or engines and not provided for in F01L 21/00 - F01L 25/00

Definition statement
This place covers:
Distribution or expansion valve-gear peculiar to free-piston machines or engines and not provided for in F01L 21/00 - F01L 25/00

F01L 33/00
Rotary or oscillatory slide valve-gear or valve arrangements, specially adapted for machines or engines with variable fluid distribution (drive, adjustment during operation, tripping-gear, reversing-gear, use of working pistons or piston-rods as valves or as valve-supporting elements, valve-gear or valve arrangements peculiar to free-piston machines or engines F01L 15/00 - F01L 31/00)

Definition statement
This place covers:
Types of rotary or oscillatory slide valve arrangements like for F01L 7/00, but for steam engines

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F01L 35/00
Lift valve-gear or valve arrangements specially adapted for machines or engines with variable fluid distribution (drive, adjustment during operation, tripping-gear, reversing-gear, use of working pistons or piston-rods as valves or as valve-supporting elements, valve-gear or valve arrangements peculiar to free-piston machines or engines F01L 15/00 - F01L 31/00)

Definition statement
This place covers:
Types of lift valve arrangements like for F01L 3/00, but for steam engines

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