

THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A
POWERED POGO-STICK

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The end results are what I believe to be a properly powered Pogo stick, the drawings of which are included in this thesis.

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INTRODUCTION

The analysis and complete design of a liquid fuel-air powered pogo stick.

I. Analysis: The analysis is divided into the following main topics:

- 1) Description of the operating cycle.
- 2) The investigation of the energy dissipated during the operation due to:
 - a) internal friction of mechanism,
 - b) air drag.
- 3) The determination of size requirements resolved through the preceding two studies.
- 4) The examination of combustion in this mechanism.

This topic is further divided into:

- a) analysis of auto ignition through an energy approach,
- b) the complete analysis of N-heptane fuel in the pogo stick, with the necessary time-motion study of mechanism during the compression stroke.

II. The Design: Consists of complete and detailed drawings for the construction of this device.

- Plus:
- 1) A description of auxillary and safety devices used in this mechanism.
 - 2) List of all standard and supplement parts.

ANALYSIS

Descriptive Cycle Analysis

This device is essentially an Otto engine. The processes through which the charge pass are illustrated in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 and may be described as follows:

- 1-2 Compression of charge until explosion occurs. Takes place in upper cylinder.
- 1-5 Charge is drawn into lower cylinder. Processes 1-2 and 1-5 occur simultaneously.
- 2-3 Combustion of whole charge takes place very quickly, so it may assume to explode at constant volume and the mixture of air and fuel become a mixture of combustion products at a higher pressure and temperature.
- 3-4 Expansion of products of combustion--pushing the piston and connecting rod outward. Takes place in upper cylinder.
- 5-6 A small compression of the new charge in the lower cylinder occur simultaneously with 3-4.
- 4-1 Exhaust of combustion products out exhaust port into the atmosphere. Takes place in the upper cylinder.
- 6-1 New charge expands into upper cylinder from the lower cylinder via bypass, pushing exhaust gases out through the exhaust port. Processes 4-1 and 6-1 occur in part simultaneously; 4-1 usually starts before 6-1.

Fuel-Air Cycle Analysis*

The following was assumed:

- 1) Actual cycle = .85 of F/A cycle.

* For complete description of this analysis, see, The Internal Combustion Engine, by C. F. Taylor and E. S. Taylor, 1950, Chapter IV.

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FIGURE 1 - OTTO CYCLE

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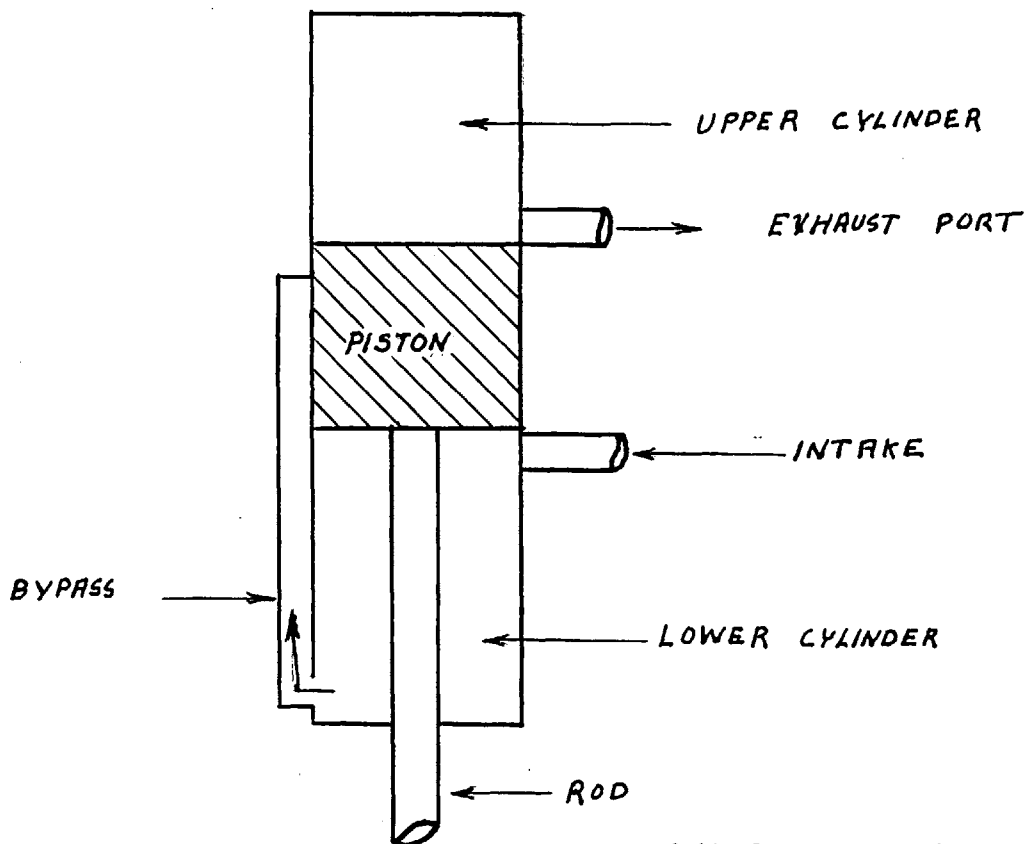


FIGURE 2 - SCHEMATIC

- 2) Intake pressure into cylinder = 14.7 psia
- 3) Exhaust pressure = 14.7 psia
- 4) Temperature of mixture at point 1, T_1 , (see Fig. 1) justified later
= 520°R
- 5) Fraction of gas left in cylinder from the preceding cycle = .015
= f (explained on page 9)
- 6) Compression ratio of 14 (justified on page 30)

Information is obtained from the charts of "Thermodynamic Characteristics of Lean Fuel-Air Mixtures Before Combustion" ("Unburned charts"), $F/A = .0605$ and "Thermodynamic Characteristics of the Products of Combustion of "Lean" Mixture C_8H_{18} and Air" ("Burned Charts"), $F/A = .0605$ (by Hershey, Eberhardt and Hottel).

Process 1-2 Isentropic Compression of Charge

$$P_1 = 14.7 \quad T_1 = 520$$

$$E_{s1} = 0 \quad S_1 = .053 \quad U_1 = 12 \quad \text{From above chart, (before combustion)}$$

$$E_1 = 1165(1-f) = 1165 \times .985 = 1150 \quad H_{s1} = 37$$

Then $U_2 = \frac{U_1}{r} = \frac{12}{14} = .86$ and $S_2 = .053$

From "Unburned Charts"

$$P_2 = 570 \text{ psia} \quad T_2 = 1320^\circ R \quad E_{s2} = 169 \quad H_{s2} = 262$$

$$\therefore E_2 = 169 + 1150 = 1319$$

$$W_{12} = E_1 - E_2 = E_{s1} - E_{s2} = -169$$

Process 2-3 Constant-Volume Burning

$$V_3 = V_2 = .86 \quad E_3 = E_2 = 1319$$

From Combustion Products Chart:

$$S_3 = .434 \quad P_3 = 1900 \quad T_3 = 5110$$

Process 3-4 Isentropic Expansion

$$U_4 = U_1 = 12 \quad S_4 = S_3 = .434$$

From Combustion Products Chart:

$$P_4 = 95 \quad T_4 = 2820 \quad E_4 = 550 \quad H_4 = 758$$

$$W_{34} = E_3 - E_4 = 1319 - 550 = 769$$

Process 4-1 Products of Combustion Expand to Atmospheric Pressure. From

Combustion Products Chart:

C = combustion products

$$P_{1c} = 14.7 \quad T_{1c} = 1890 \quad E_{1c} = 300 \quad V_{1c} = 50 \quad H_{1c} = 440$$

$$\text{or } H_{1c} = 140$$

f can now be determined

$$f = \frac{12 \times .2}{50} = .048$$

Does not warrant a re-calculation!

The .2 factor is used because of the scavenging $\eta(e_s)$ involved. It will be justified on page 11.

Process 6-1, where new charge expands into upper cylinder and mixes with the residual gas, at constant pressure ($P = 14.7$ psia).

This calculation is used as a measure for checking assumption 4.

(Temperature of mixture at point 1)

$$H_{s1} = f H_{1c} + (1-f) H_{sm}$$

$$= 45.9$$

where H_{sm} = enthalpy of fresh charge

From "unburned chart"

$$\therefore T_1 = 530$$

does not warrant re-calculation.

Net work produced during above cycle:

$$W = W_{12} + W_{34}$$

$$= -169 + 769 = 600 \text{ Btu/Cycle}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{600}{1.0605} = 565 \text{ Btu/lb. of charge.}$$

Calculations of work Required for Scavenging and Pumping:

Work required to get scavenging pressure P_2 .

Assumptions:

- 1) $P_1 = 14.7$ psia
- 2) $P_2 = 38$ psia - required*
- 3) $T_1 = 520^\circ\text{R}$

Process is an isentropic compression. From "unburned" charts ($F = .0605$).

$$\begin{array}{llllll}
 P_1 = 14.7 & S_1 = .053 & T_1 = 520^\circ\text{R} & V_1 = 12 & H_1 = 37 & E_{s1} = 0 \\
 P_2 = 38 & S_2 = .053 & T_2 = 670^\circ\text{R} & V_2 = 6.5 & H_2 = 80 & E_{s2} = 32
 \end{array}$$

$$H_2 - H_1 = 80 - 37 = \frac{43}{1.0605} \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lb. of CHARGE}} \text{ or } 40.5 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lb. of CHARGE}}$$

Work Required for Pumping Into Lower Cylinder:

This process is an isentropic expansion. Starting at the same conditions as the above process, since the ratio of V_1/V_2 in the above process is the exact reciprocal in this process, and since this process is an isentropic expansion (instead of isentropic compression) the above results, will be very nearly the same.

The very small difference (if any) will be due to a change in the properties of the charge during the expansion as compared with the properties during the compression and they will be assumed to remain constant during these two different cases.

Thus, the total work required for scavenging and pumping will be 91 Btu/lb charge used for scavenging.

* Dimension of lower cylinder length is established by this required value of P_2 (scavenging) see page 19.

At this point it becomes necessary to fix some of the design criteria.

Since the diameter of the bore will be limited by the amount of acceleration a man can stand, the shape of the upper cylinder will have to be designed with this in mind. This in all probability will lead to a longer stroke than bore in this engine. This design is a relatively hard one to scavenge and therefore a scavenging ratio (R_s) of two will be chosen.

$$R_s = \frac{\text{mass of mixture pumped/unit time}}{\text{mass of possible mixture retained in cyl./unit time}}$$

From: Scavenging Efficiency vs Scavenging Ratio of Several Two-Stroke Engines,

prepared by P. M. Ku, 4/6/51, (123.2 - PMK - 4-51)

for a R_s of 2 , $C_s = .80$

$$\text{where } C_s = \frac{\text{mass of mixture retained in cyl./unit time}}{\text{mass of possible mixture retained in cyl./unit time}}$$

Since, $R_s = 2$, the total work required for scavenging and pumping will be 182 Btu/rev for filling the upper cylinder.

Therefore:

$$565 - 182 = 383 \text{ Btu/rev of CHARGE}$$

$$IMEP_{1/4} = \frac{W}{V_1 - V_2} \times \frac{778}{144} = \frac{383 \times 778}{\underbrace{(12 - .86) \times 144}_{11.14}} = 186 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Actual } IMEP = 186 \times .85 = 158 \text{ psi}$$

From page 13 it has been calculated that $fMEP = 11 \text{ psi}$

$$\therefore BMEP = 158 - 11 = 147 \text{ psi}$$

Actual work available = $144 \times 11.14 \times 147$

$$= 236,000 \frac{\text{ft-lbs}}{\text{lbs of charge burned}}$$

The Investigation of Energy Dissipated During the Operation Due to Internal Friction of Mechanism and Air Drag.

1) Internal Friction of Mechanism

Usually piston speed (S) is defined by

$$S = \frac{2 \times \text{stroke} \times N}{12}$$

where

S = piston speed - $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{min.}}$
stroke = inches
N = rpm

but this formula is not particularly applicable to the pogo-stick.

A better approach for the preliminary calculation of piston speed follows:

Preliminary dimensions:*

- 1) Bore = 1 inch in diameter
- 2) Stroke = 1.5 inches
- 3) Weight of man and pogo-stick = 160 lbs.

Assuming that the height of a hop will be 9 inches or .75 ft. from the ground. (On regular pogo-sticks this distance of .75 ft. off of the ground is a good figure!)

$$V_1 = \sqrt{2g_s s}$$

where V_1 is velocity of pogo-stick when it hits the ground (ft/sec)

g_s = acceleration of gravity 32.2 ft/sec^2

s = distance of fall .75 ft.

$$V_1 = \sqrt{2 \times 32.2 \times .75} = \sqrt{48.4} = 6.96 \text{ ft/sec.}$$

Since, the stroke is 1.5 inches, the acceleration during the stroke

may be computed: $V^2 = 2as$, $a = \frac{V^2}{2s} = \frac{48.4}{2 \times \frac{1.5}{12}} = 193.5 \text{ ft/sec}^2$

* These dimensions will be justified in a later section (page 17). They are proposed here, in order that a rough piston speed can be found, thereby enabling the prediction of F.M.E.P. (friction mean effective pressure).

From $S = \frac{1}{2} a t^2$, $t = \sqrt{\frac{2S}{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 1.5}{12 \times 193.5}} = .039 \text{ sec.}$

$\bar{V}_{\text{ave.}}$ during stroke $= \frac{S}{t} = \frac{1.5}{12 \times .039} = 3.2 \text{ ft/sec.}$
 $= 3.2 \times 60 = 193 \text{ ft/min.}$

From interpolating Fig. 124, page 205, of The Internal Combustion Engine, by Taylor and Taylor (using curve 1)

FMEP = 11 psi

This value is an approximation, based on a limited amount of data.

2) Air Drag

The forces due to air drag are calculated as a function of velocity. These forces are due to:

- A) Air drag during the vertical motion. The energy loss/cycle due to this force remains constant, since it is assumed that the height of each hop (.75 ft) is constant.

when $T = 0$ the vertical velocity at the top of the hop = 0

when $T = t$ the vertical velocity at the bottom = 6.96 ft/sec

(calculated on page 12)

Since D_v (vertical drag force) is proportional to \bar{V}_v^2 , the average \bar{V}_v^2 should be used for drag force calculations.

$$\frac{(6.96)^2 - (0)^2}{2} = 24.2 \text{ ft}^2/\text{sec}^2$$

$$\text{or } \bar{V}_v = 4.9 \text{ ft/sec}$$

Reynolds No. $= \frac{\rho V l}{\mu}$

ρ = density of air

μ = viscosity of air

μ/ρ = kinematic viscosity for air (ft²/sec)
 $= 1.9 \times 10^{-4} \text{ at } 14.7 \text{ psia. AND } 80^\circ \text{F}$

l = characteristic length, taken to be 1.5 ft (width of person)

Reynolds No. $= \frac{4.9 \times 1.5}{1.9 \times 10^{-4}} = 3.88 \times 10^4$

Assumptions:

T - thickness of man - 9" or .75 ft.

W = width of man - 1.5 ft.

S = 2 x height of hop (2 x .75 ft) - 1.5 ft.

Therefore, area pertinent to vertical motion $.75 \times 1.5 = 1.13 \text{ ft}^2$

Coefficient of drag for flat rectangular plate:* WHERE $\frac{W}{T} = \frac{1.5}{.75} = 2$

$$C_D = 1.19$$

This C_D is valid for Reynolds numbers greater than 10^3 - so it is valid in the above case.

From shape considerations of the human body it appears that the above C_D would be too large. The body is more streamline than a flat rectangular plate perpendicular to the direction of flow; but considering all of the odd projections and wind traps of clothes, the above figure is probably liberal.

$$C_D = \frac{D_V}{\rho/2 \bar{V}^2 A}$$

D_V = vertical drag force, lbs.

$$D_V = \frac{C_D \rho \bar{V}^2 A}{2g} = .00157 \bar{V}^2, \text{ WHEN } \bar{V}^2 = 24.2 \text{ ft}^2/\text{sec}^2$$

$$D_V = \frac{1.19 \times .075 \times 1.13 \times 24.2}{32.2 \times 2} = .0378 \text{ lbs.}$$

Total up-down distance traveled during one cycle = 1.5 ft.

$$1.5 \times .0378 = .0567 \text{ ft-lb expended during vertical motion.}$$

* From, Engineering Applications of Fluid Mechanics, Page 183. By J. C. Hunsaker and B. G. Rightmire, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1947.

B) Air Drag during the horizontal motion as a function horizontal velocity.

$$\text{Reynolds No.} = \frac{\rho V l}{\mu}$$

ρ = density of air

μ = viscosity of air

μ/ρ = kinematic viscosity for air ($\text{ft}^2/\text{sec.}$)

= 1.9×10^{-4} at 14.7 psia and $T_1 = 80^\circ\text{F}$

l = characteristic length, taken to be 6 ft (average height of a person)

$$\text{Reynolds No.} = \frac{14.7 \times 6}{1.9 \times 10^{-4}} = 46.4 \times 10^4$$

Assumptions:

Length of man, l , = 6 ft.

Width of man, w , = 1.5 ft.

Therefore, man's area = 9 ft^2

Coefficient of drag for flat rectangular plate:* WHERE $\frac{l}{w} = 4$

$$C_D = 1.2$$

This C_D is valid for Reynolds numbers greater than 10^3 —so it is valid in above case.

This value for the above C_D is probably liberal since the resistance due to clothes has been neglected.

$$C_D = \frac{D_H}{\rho/2 \cdot \bar{V}^2/2 \cdot A}$$

D_H = horizontal drag force, lbs.

$$D_H = C_D \rho/2 \times \frac{\bar{V}_H^2}{2} A$$

$$D_H = \frac{1.2 \times 0.075 \times 9 \bar{V}_H^2}{32.2 \times 2} = 0.0126 \bar{V}_H^2$$

* From, Engineering Applications of Fluid Mechanics, page 183, by J. C. Hunsaker and B. G. Rightmire, McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., 1947.

- 3) The determination of size requirements (dimensions) resolved through the preceding two studies.

If Bore is set at 1" AND

Stroke is set at 1.5"

$$R_s = 2 \quad C_s = .80$$

Height of jump = 9" or .75 ft.

$$\text{Vol. of cylinder} = \frac{\pi d^2 L}{4} = \frac{3.14 \times 1^2 \times 1.5}{4} = 1.18 \text{ IN}^3$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1.18}{1728} = .000682 \text{ ft}^3 (\text{Displ.})$$

at initial conditions in cylinder of $T = 520^\circ \text{R}$

$$P = 14.7 \text{ PSIA.}$$

Vol. of charge/lb — $V = 12 \text{ ft}^3/\text{lb}$ ("unburned" charts)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\text{Displ.}}{V} &= \text{lbs. of charge} \\ &= \frac{.000682}{12} = .0000568/\text{lb.} \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$C_s = .80$$

$$.80 \times .0000568 = .0000454 \text{ lbs. burned per cycle}$$

$$\text{Actual work available} = 236,000 \frac{\text{ft-lbs}}{\text{lb of charge burned}}$$

$$\therefore 236000 \times .0000454 = 10.7 \text{ ft-lbs/cycle available to overcome air friction.}$$

Speed at which pogo-stick will travel at previous given dimensions:

Having a .75 ft. jump (vertical) the cycle time can be calculated.

$$S = \frac{1}{2} g \cdot t^2, \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{2S}{g}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.5}{32.2}} = \sqrt{.0466}$$

$$= .216 \text{ SEC.}$$

Allowing for both "up and down" time

$$T \text{ cycle} = .432$$

The time that the stick remains on the ground during combustion is small, and therefore neglected.

Distance between hops $= V_H T$, AND energy dissipation due to vertical motion
 $= .0567 \text{ ft-lb/cycle}$

$$\therefore .0126 V_H^2 \times V_H T + .0567 = \text{ft-lbs/cycle (dissipated by air drag)}$$

$$.432 \times .0126 V_H^3 + .0567 = 10.7$$

$$.00544 V_H^3 = 10.64$$

$$V_H^3 = \frac{10.64}{.00544} = 1960$$

$$V_H = 12.4 \text{ ft/sec.}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{12.4 \times 3600}{5280} = 8.5 \text{ M.P.H.}$$

8.5 M.P.H. is speed at which pogo-stick will travel with .75 ft. high hops.

The following is a calculation of how high the stick will go before the "up and down" energy dissipation due to air friction is equal to the energy output of the engine. The horizontal velocity is equal to zero.

From previous calculations

$$D_V = .00157 \bar{V}_V^2$$

$V_V^2 = 29.5$, but the average velocity is used in the above case, and is:

$$\bar{V}_V^2 = 9.5$$

$$\therefore D_V = .00157 9.5$$

Energy $= D_V \times S_T$ where S_T (total distance) $= 2S$ (up and down motion)

$$\text{Energy} = .00157 \times 32.2 \times 2 \times S^2$$

$$S^2 = \frac{10.64}{64.4 \times .00157}$$

$$S^2 = 105 \text{ ft}^2, S = 10.25 \text{ ft. high.}$$

Determination of Scavenging pump piston diameter (see sheet **1A AND 9**)

Requirements: $R_s = 2$

Vol. of upper cylinder = 1.18 cubic inches

$$2 \times 1.18 = 2.36 \text{ cubic inches.}$$

= amount of pumping volume needed.

Since diameter of connecting rod is 1" (same as piston diameter--see sheet 1)

and the length of the stroke is 1.5", let D_2 = pumping piston diameter.

$$\text{Pumping Vol.} = 2.36 \text{ in}^3 = \frac{\pi}{4} (D_2^2 - (1)^2) 1.5$$

$$\frac{4 \times 2.36}{3.14 \times 1.5} = D_2^2 - 1$$

$$D_2^2 = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$D_2 = \sqrt{3} = 1.74 \text{ inches}$$

The actual design uses a $D_2 = 1.75$ "

Determination of Vol. difference needed during pumping stroke of the scavenging piston in order to obtain a scavenging pressure of 38 psia. (This gives the dimension of x (Fig. 3) which is needed as design criterion).

$$\text{Effective scavenging area } A_E = \frac{\pi}{4} ((1.75)^2 - 1)$$

(annular disk - see Fig. 3)

$$= 1.61 \text{ sq. inches.}$$

Vol. of Bypass (see sheet **4**)

$$= \frac{1}{8} \times 4.75 \times 10 \times 2$$

$$= 1.2 \text{ in}^3 \text{ (Vol. of both bypasses)}$$

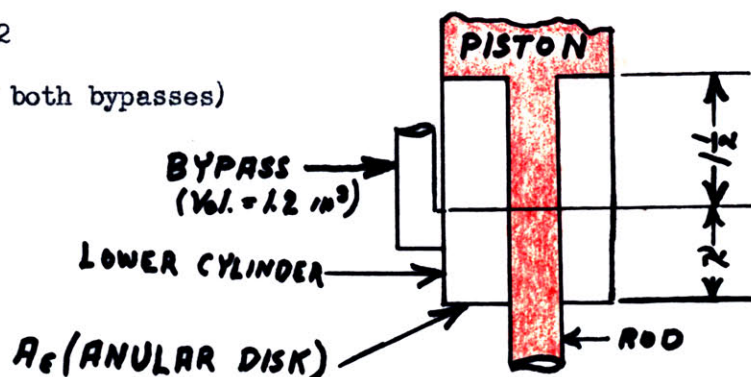


FIGURE -3

$P_1 = 14.7 \text{ psia}$ $V_1 = 12$
 For $P_2 = 38 \text{ psia}$ $V_2 = 6.5$ From unburned charts.

Therefore: $V_1 = 1.2 + A_E(1.5+x)$ $V_2 = 1.2 + A_E x$ (SEE FIGURE 3)

$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{V_1}{V_2} \text{ or } \frac{1.2 + A_E(1.5+x)}{1.2 + A_E x} = \frac{12}{6.5}$$

$$1.2 + A_E(1.5+x) = 1.85(1.2 + A_E x)$$

$$1.2 + A_E 1.5 + A_E x = 2.22 + 1.85 A_E x$$

$$1.2 - 2.22 + 1.5 A_E = 1.85 A_E x - A_E x$$

$$A_E = 1.61$$

$$1.2 - 2.22 + 2.42 = x(2.98 - 1.61)$$

$$\frac{1.4}{1.37} = x = 1.02 \text{ INCHES.}$$

The actual design uses $x = 1.00 \text{ inch}$.

Summary of specifications used to give 10.7 ft-lbs of work per cycle, with $R_s = 2$, and a scavenging pressure of 38 psia.

Piston bore = 1 inch

Length of stroke = 1.5 inches

Scavenging piston bore = 1.75 inches

Distance between top of bypass port to bottom of lower cylinder = 1 inch.

(see detail drawings)

4) The Examination of Combustion in this Mechanism.

The complete charge is auto-ignited through the high compression obtained in this mechanism.* Therefore, no accessories are needed for ignition.

* For a complete analysis of auto ignition see: M.I.T. - Ethyl Corporation, Annual Report No. 6, July 1952-July 1953; and M.I.T. - Ethyl Corporation Combustion Project Progress Report No. 17, covering the period June 15, 1953 to August 15, 1953.

As a first assumption, it was decided that a compression ratio of 11 was needed for auto-ignition of Benzene. Since all the information pertaining to the self-ignition of N-heptane fuel was available - this fuel was used instead. It was later found that for auto-ignition of N-heptane in the pogo-stick a compression ratio of 14 was necessary. (analyzed on page 30)

The preliminary approach to the auto-ignition problem was carried out with the assumption that the compression ratio of 11 was necessary, but this analysis did not include the effects of time. A later and more detailed study of the fuel properties of N-heptane showed that a compression ratio of 14 was required (included time effects).

This section will be divided into two sections:

- a) Analysis of auto-ignition through an energy approach.
(A compression ratio of 14 will be used, since it was later found to be necessary; even though the original energy approach used an $r = 11$.)
- b) A complete analysis of auto-ignition of N-heptane--which determined the required compression ratio (14). This analysis included time effects on the fuel and therefore required a time-motion study of the pogo-stick during operation.

An Energy Approach Using a Compression Ratio of 14

At the initial state of the charge:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 &= 14.7 \text{ psia} & T_1 &= 520^\circ R \\
 H_1 &= 37 & S_1 &= .053 & E_1 &= 0 & U_1 &= 12
 \end{aligned}$$

At a compression of 14, assuming an isentropic compression ("unburned charts",

$$F/A = .0605)$$

$$P_2 = 570 \quad H_{s2} = 262 \quad S_2 = S_1 = .053 \quad E_{s2} = 169 \quad U_2 = .86 \quad T_2 = 1320^\circ R$$

$$\Delta H = 262 - 37 = 225$$

Btu/1.0605 lbs of charge

$$\text{or } \frac{225}{1.0605} = 214 \quad \text{Btu/lb of charge}$$

Under the best possible scavenging conditions

.0000568 lbs. are compressed

therefore $214 \times 778 \times .0000568 = 9.45$ ft-lbs needed are needed for compression.

Under the above conditions ($e_s = 1$) the amount of residual gases compressed is zero ($f = 0$).

The amount of energy required for pumping during the compression stroke is calculated and added to the above figure (7.5 ft-lbs), since the above sum of energies will be needed to reach the state required for auto-ignition. Pumping energy used during compression:

$$\Delta H_p = 40.5 \text{ Btu/lb. of charge}$$

calculated on page 10.

since $R_s = 2$

$$2 \times .0000568 = .0001136 \text{ lbs. of charge pumped.}$$

$$778 \times 40.5 \times .0001136 = 3.6 \text{ ft-lbs needed for pumping of charge during compression.}$$

$$\text{Total energy} = 9.45 + 3.6 = 13.05 \text{ ft-lbs.}$$

If the man and pogo-stick weight 160 lbs.

$$160x = 13.05 \text{ ft.-lbs.}$$

where x is height of jump needed

$$x = \frac{13.05}{160} = .0816 \text{ ft.}$$

to ignite the charge.

$$\text{or, } .0816 \times 12 = .99 \text{ INCHES.}$$

From this examination it appears that self-ignition will occur without excessive jumping - and that this type of ignition is "perfectly" suited for its present application.

B) A Complete Analysis of Auto-Ignition of N-Heptane Fuel in the Pogo-Stick.

For this analysis a time motion study of the compression stroke is needed, and follows:

Displacement of
piston, z .

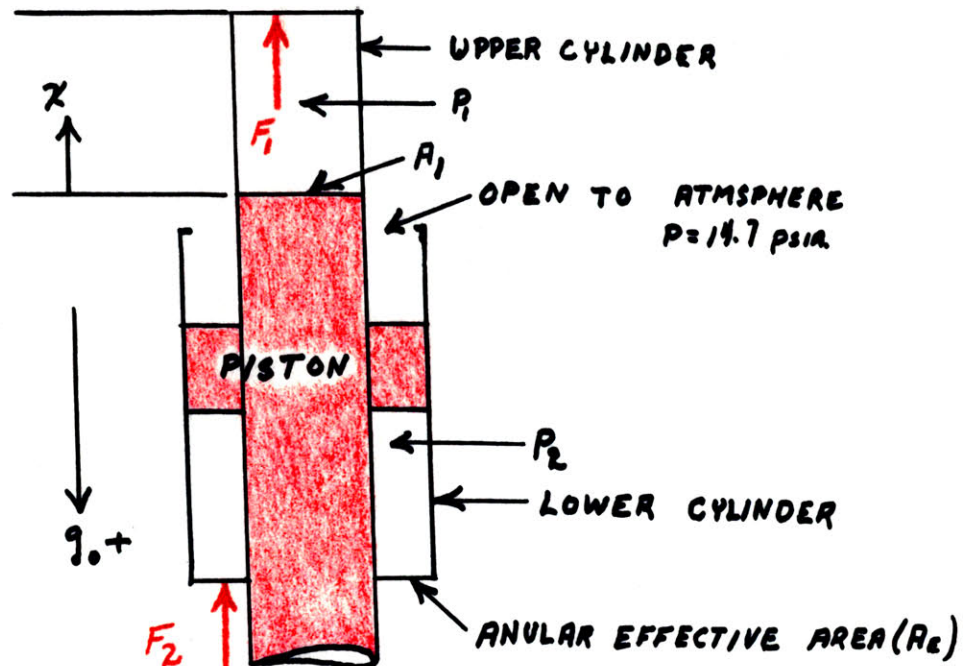


Figure 4

Mass of pogo-stick and man, $m = \frac{160}{32.2} = 5 \frac{16 - \text{sec}^2}{\text{ft.}}$

The calculation of the deceleration of pogo-stick due to the compression and pumping forces vs. piston displacement:

$$P_1 = f(z)$$

$$P_2 = f(z)$$

$$(1) F_1 = (P_1 - 14.7)A$$

$$(2) F_2 = (14.7 - P_2)A_E$$

Both forces act in the same direction and decelerate the pogo-stick (see Fig. 4).

The displacement is divided into 15-.1" increments and the average force ($F_1 + F_2$) occurring during each increment is used to calculate the average acceleration occurring during the displacement of one increment:

$$(3) \quad a_p = g_0 - \frac{(F_1 + F_2)}{m} \quad \text{where } g_0 \text{ is gravitational acceleration of the earth.}$$

At Time = 0, when $x = 0$

$$P_1 = 14.7 \quad \therefore F_1 = 0$$

$$P_2 = 14.7 \quad \therefore F_2 = 0$$

then the piston is displaced upward .1" (see Fig. 4) - $x_1 = .1$ "

$$\text{From the formula } PV^n = K \quad (4)$$

where $n = 1.32$ for N-heptane, the corresponding pressure P_1 can be calculated, by using the change in V due to the displacement of the piston.

Thus, the forces are found and it is possible to plot the acceleration vs piston displacement by using equations (1), (2), and (3).

This has been done and the corresponding calculations and data are in the appendix, page 52.

See Fig. 5 for the plot of acceleration vs piston displacement.

From Fig. 5 the average acceleration for each increment is found, and from:

$$V_2^2 - V_1^2 = 2as$$

$$\text{or } V_2 = \sqrt{2as + V_1^2}$$

where a = ave. accel. of each increment

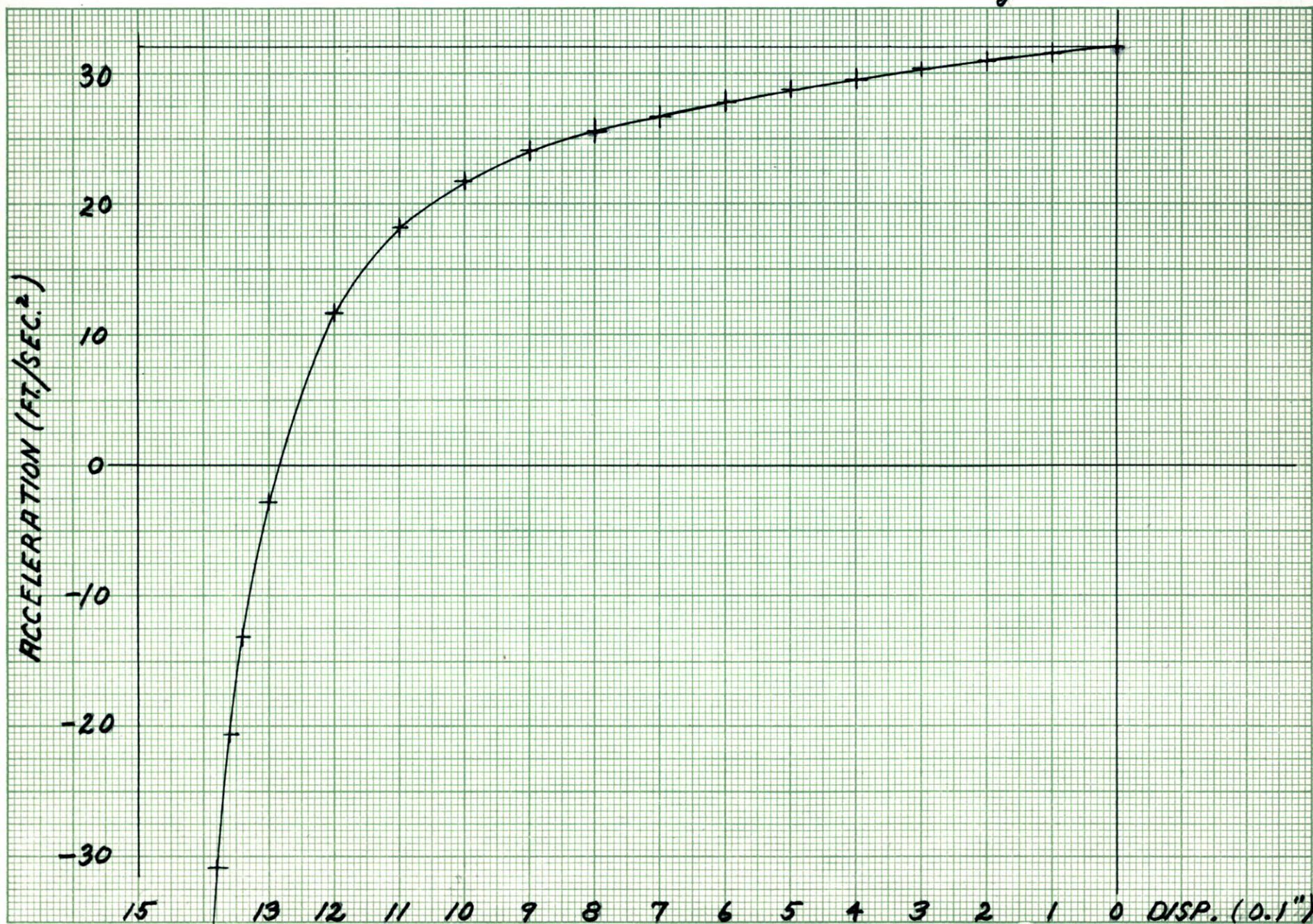
V_2 = vel. at the end of each "

V_1 = vel. of preceding increment

S = width of increment (.1")

initial velocity = 0

ACCELERATION VS. PISTON DISPLACEMENT during COMPRESSION



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The velocity vs. piston displacement curve is obtained. See Fig. 6. The calculations are in the appendix on page 54.

From Fig. 6 the average velocity over each increment is found, and from:

$$\bar{V}t = S$$

$$t = \frac{S}{\bar{V}}$$

where t = time - secs.

\bar{V} = average velocity over each increment.

S = width of each increment.

The time required for the piston to travel over each increment is found. Thus, the time required for the piston to travel to any displacement x , is the sum of the "times" of each increment through which the piston has travelled while getting to position x . These times are recorded on Fig. 6 (at the top of the graph) and correspond to the time required by the piston to reach the place where the time is recorded. (Time is in milli-seconds.)

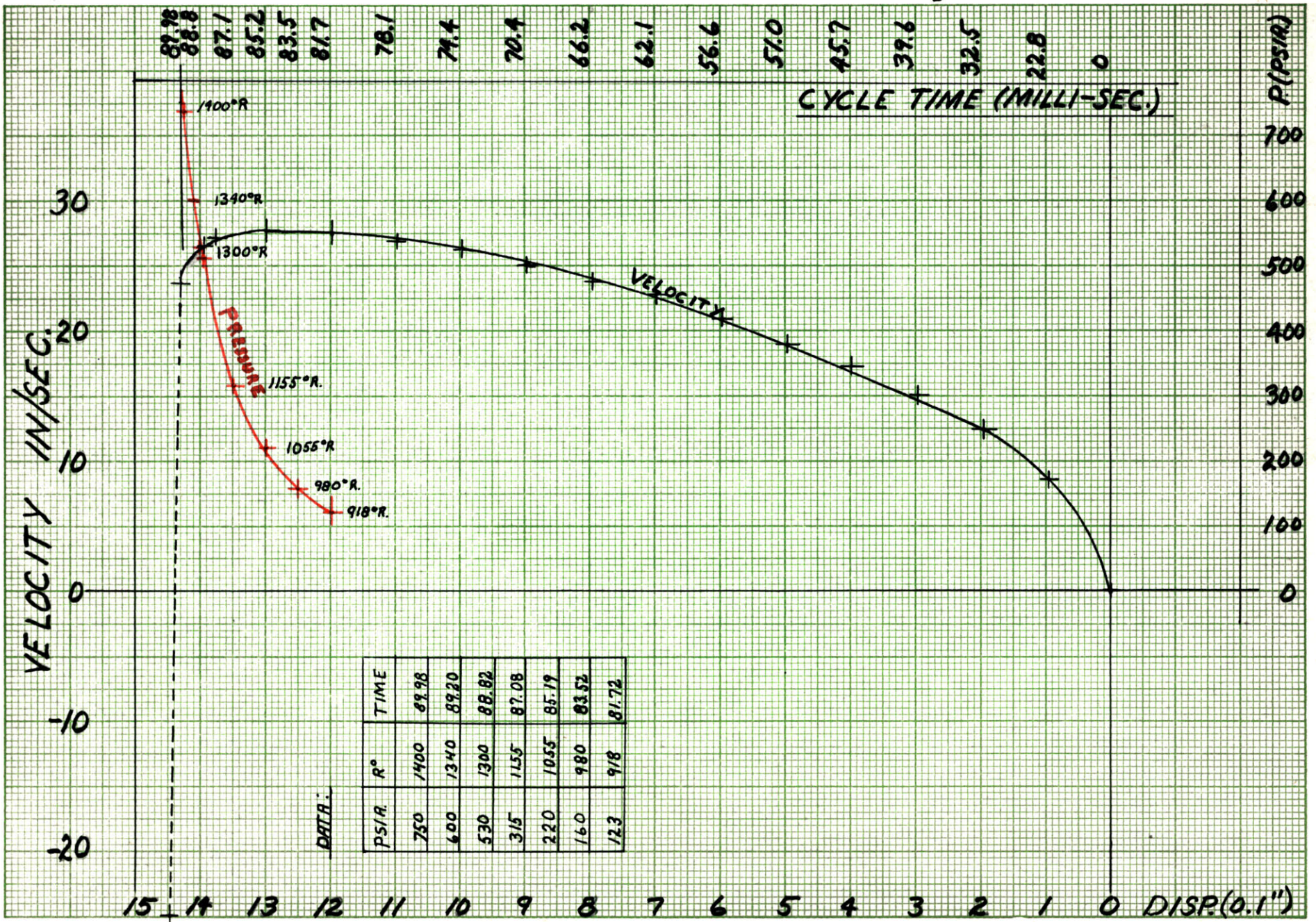
A plot of pressure vs displacement is also recorded on the same graph, with their corresponding temperatures.

An auto-ignition-delay map for N-heptane and air, F/A = .066 is supplied in this report, Fig. 8. This "map" shows the time required for auto-ignition of the fuel-air mixture at different states of pressure and temperature. This above mentioned time is referred to as delay time.

On an overlay of this map, Fig. 7, a plot is drawn of the temperature vs. pressure of the mixture which occurs in the pogo-stick. On this same plot the cycle times corresponding to the particular states are also shown.

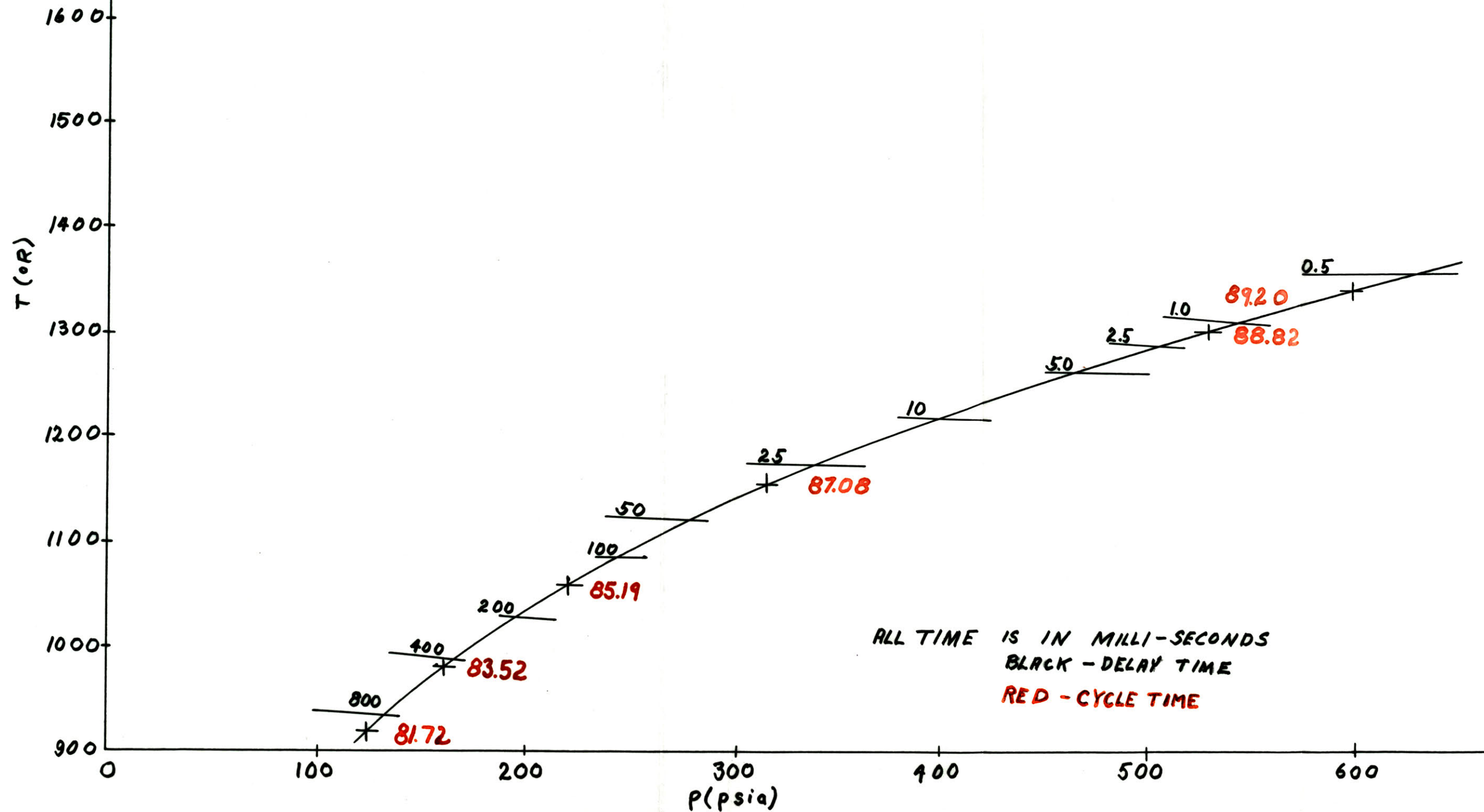
(Reference to Fig. 7 and Fig. 8, will elucidate the above description.) A corresponding delay time τ , from Fig. 8 can be correlated with each cycle time t , recorded on Fig. 7. See chart on Fig. 9.

VELOCITY VS. PISTON DISPLACEMENT during COMPRESSION



PRESSURE-TEMPERATURE-TIME PATH

FUEL = N-HEPTANE AND AIR
 $F/A = 0.066$



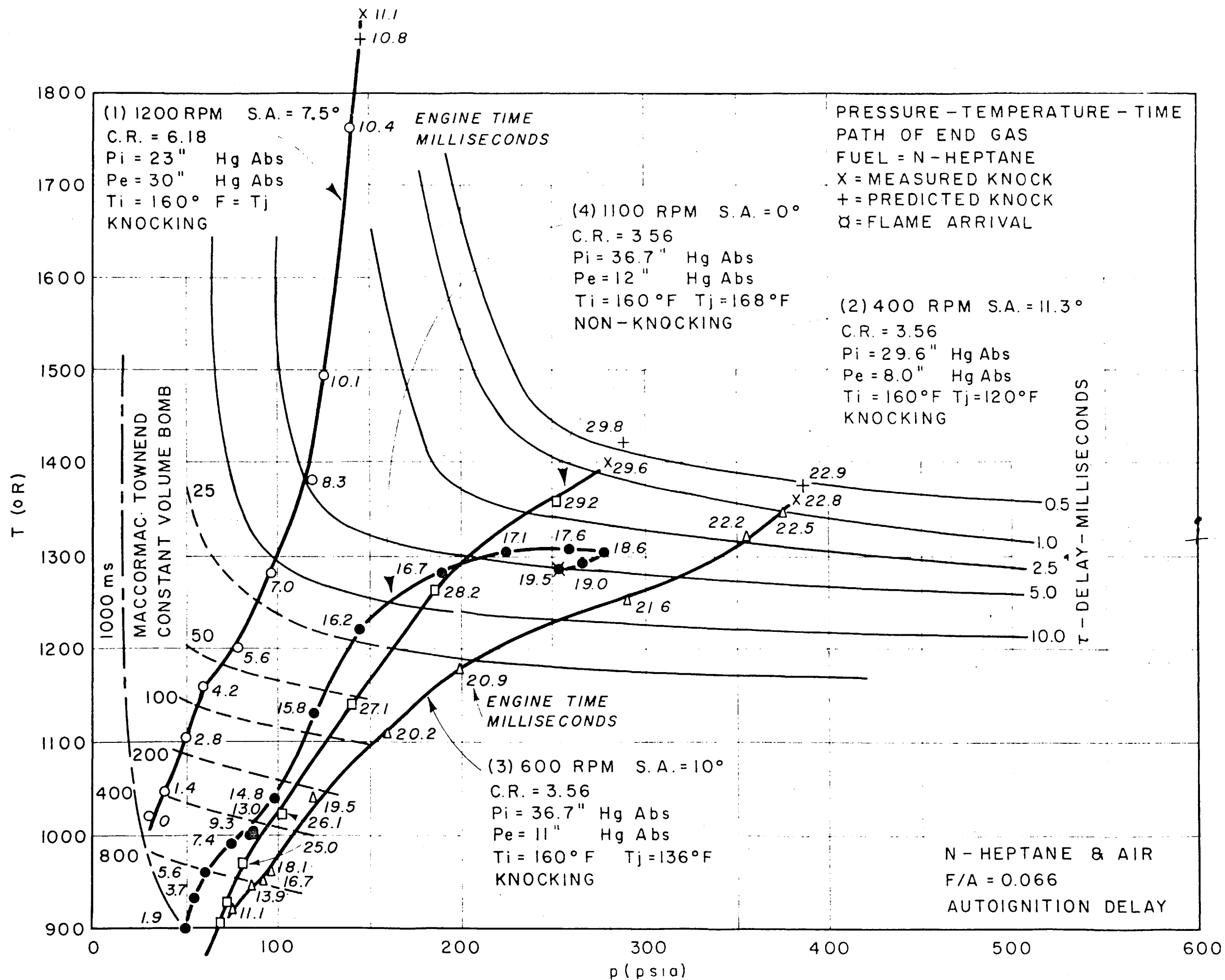
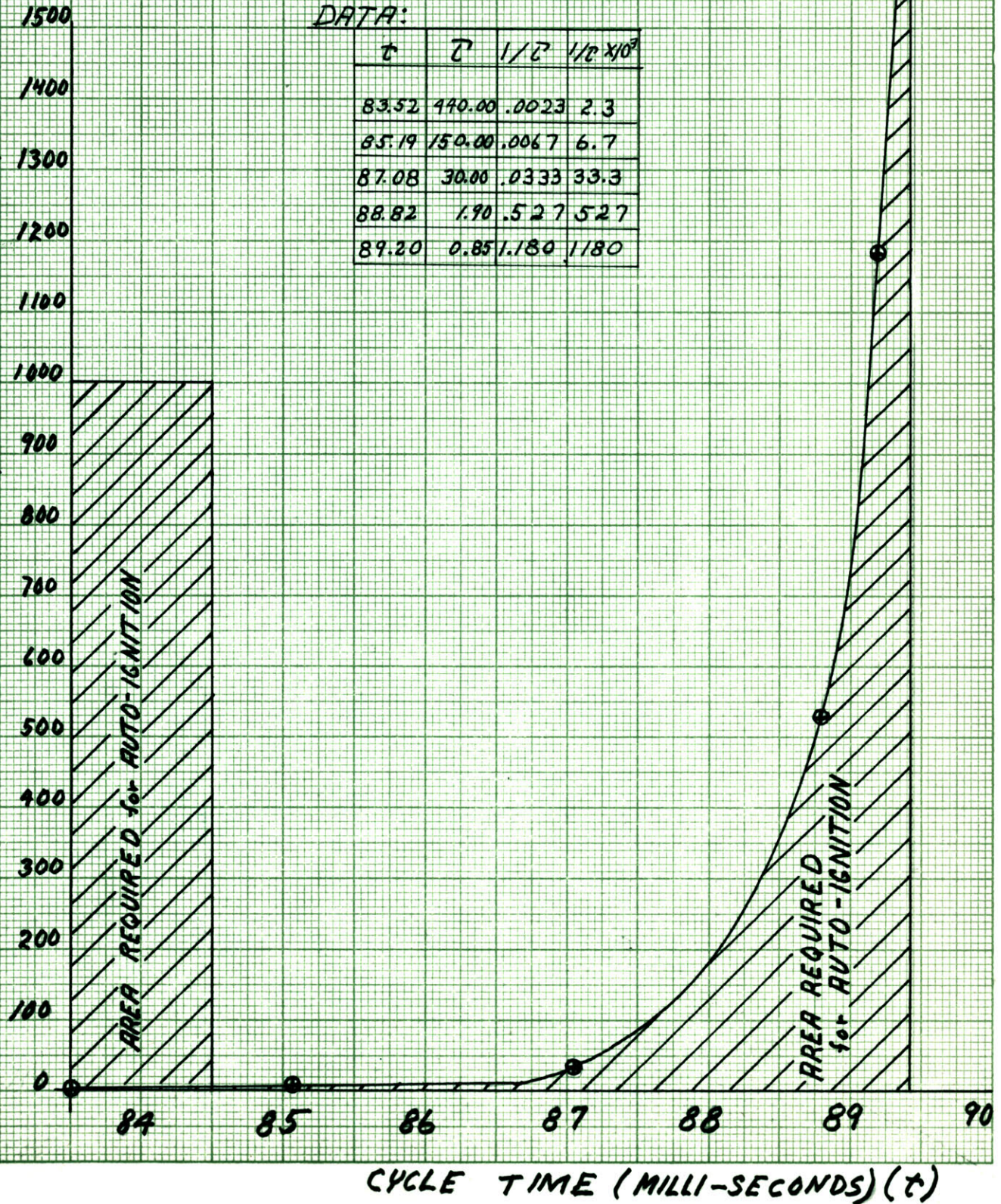


Figure 1.

TIME REQUIRED for AUTO-IGNITION for N-HEPTANE

DATA:

t	τ	$1/\tau$	$1/\tau \times 10^3$
83.52	440.00	.0023	2.3
85.19	150.00	.0067	6.7
87.08	30.00	.0333	33.3
88.82	1.90	.527	52.7
89.20	0.85	1.180	118.0

 $\frac{1}{\tau} \times 10^3$
WHERE τ = DELAY TIME (MILLI-SECONDS)

With this information the cycle time at which auto-ignition occurs in the pogo-stick can be found.

Procedure:

- a) First $\frac{1}{2}$ is plotted vs. t (Fig. 9).
- b) Then, a unit area is defined as follows $t \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$, this is seen by the shaded "square" area in Fig. 9.
- c) A vertical line is drawn from the plot of $\frac{1}{2}$ vs t to the abscissa, so that the area encompassed by the plot, abscissa, and vertical line will equal the defined unit area. The above is recorded in Fig. 9.

The intersection of the vertical line with the abscissa gives the corresponding cycle time at which auto-ignition will occur*—89.45 milliseconds.

From Fig. 6 it is seen that when the cycle time is 89.45, the piston displacement is $\frac{14.2}{15}$ of the total stroke, or

$$\frac{14.2}{15} \times 1.5 = \underline{1.42 \text{ inches}}$$

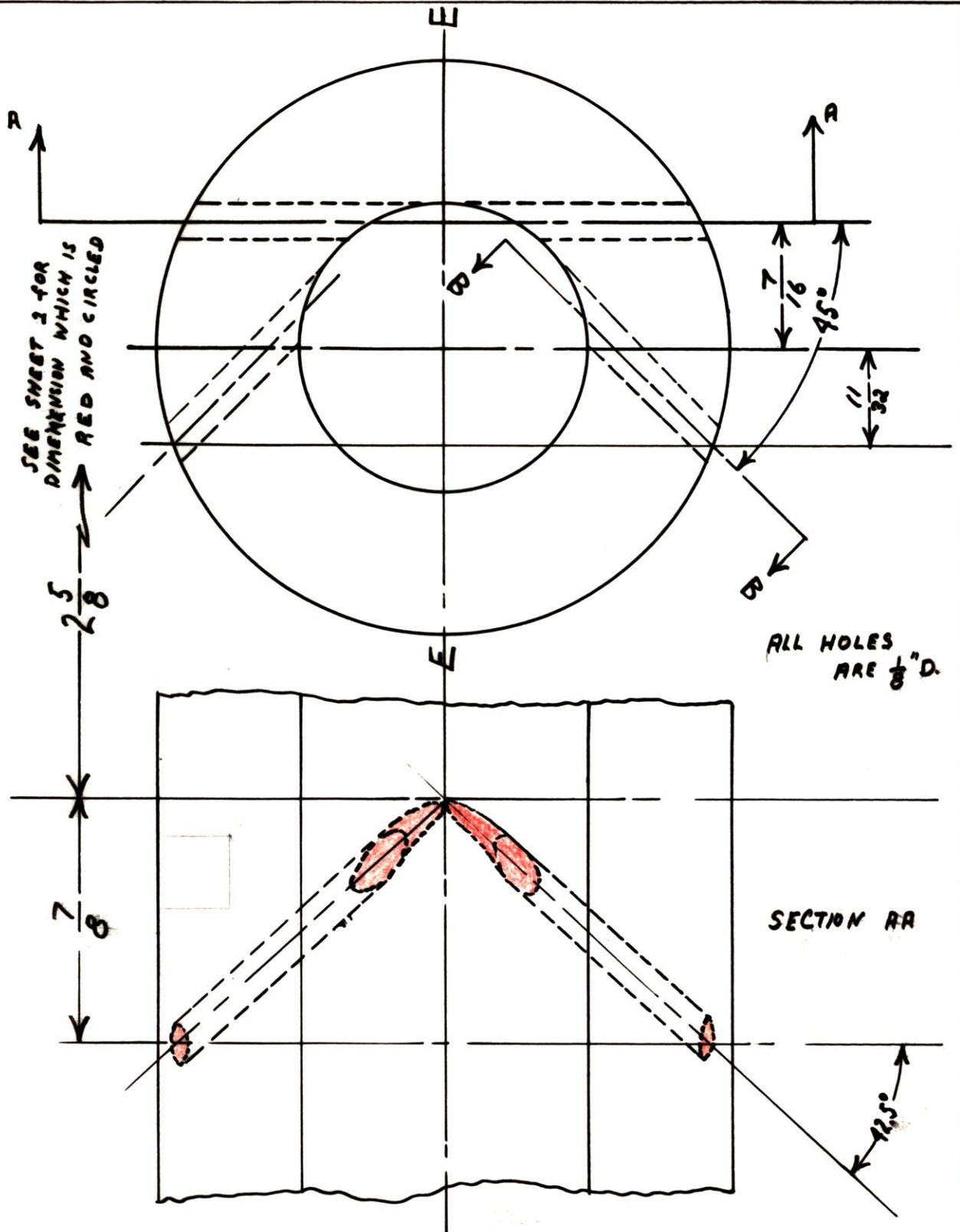
as compared with .99 inches obtained from the energy analysis. Thus, the compression ratio required for auto-ignition is 14.2. All frictional effects are assumed to be small, and are, therefore, neglected in the time-motion study needed in the previous analysis.

* The complete theoretical analysis of this procedure is given in: M.I.T. - Ethyl Corporation, Annual Report No. 6, July 1952-July 1953; and M.I.T. - Ethyl Corporation Combustion Project Progress Report No. 17, covering the period June 15, 1953 to August 15, 1953.

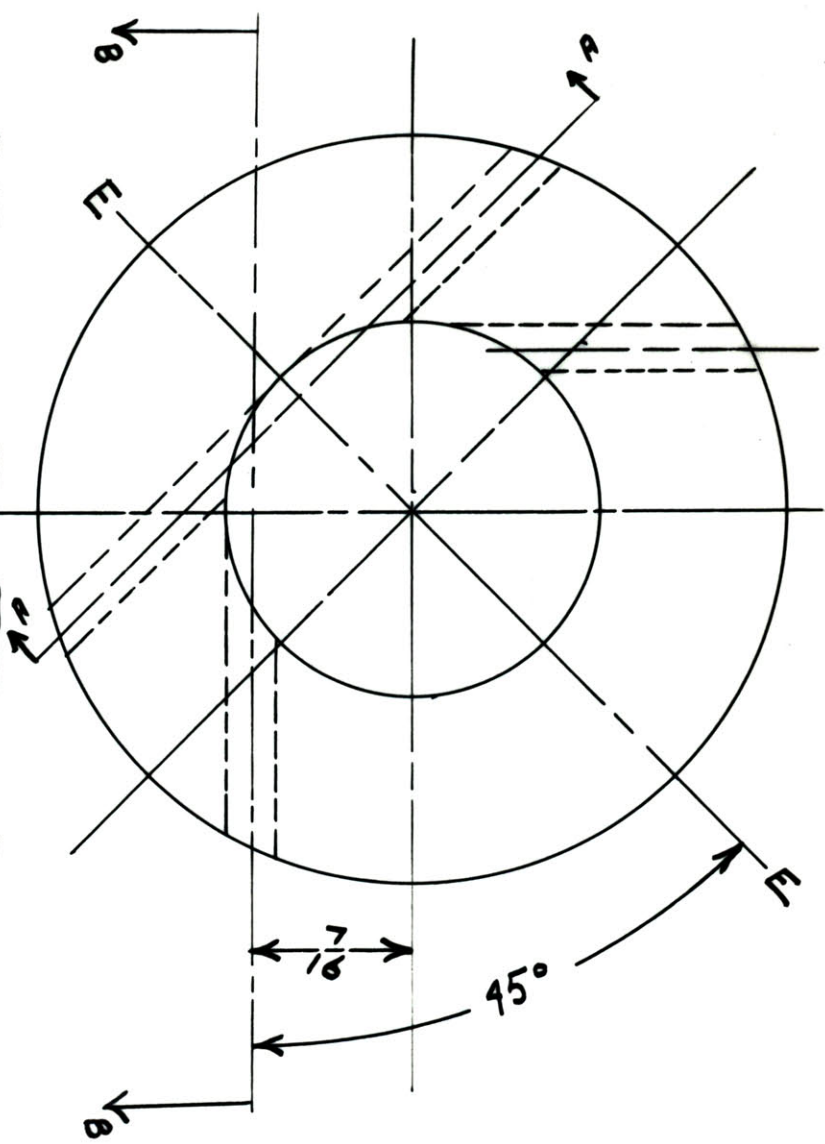
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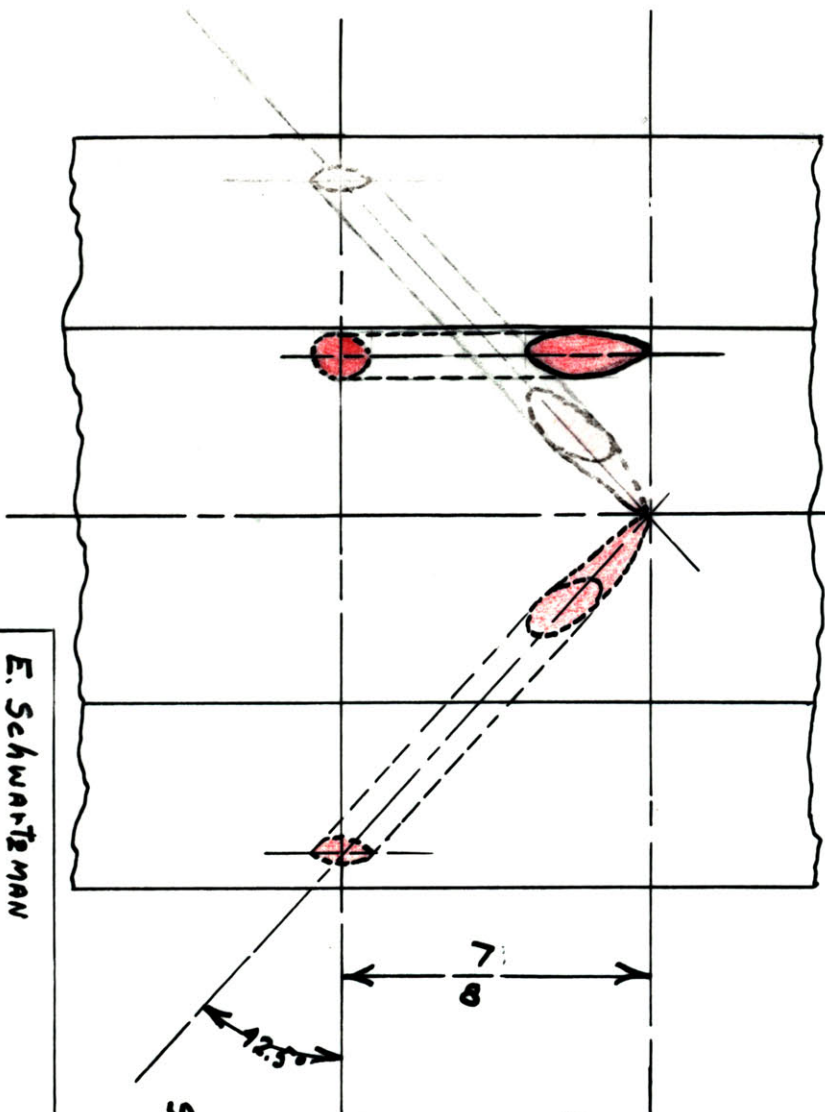
- 1) The complete and detailed drawings for the construction of this device.
- 2) The description of auxillary and safety devices used in this mechanism.
- 3) List of standard or supplement parts used in the pogo-stick.



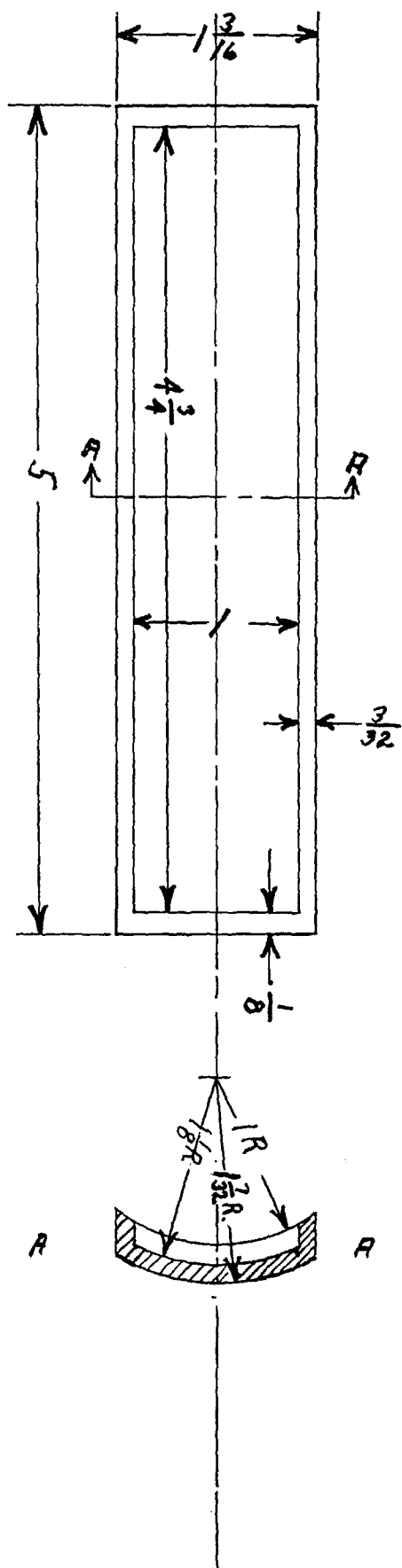
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POGO STICK	SHEET 2	
PART ①	2"-1" (Scale: 2X)	
DETAIL		



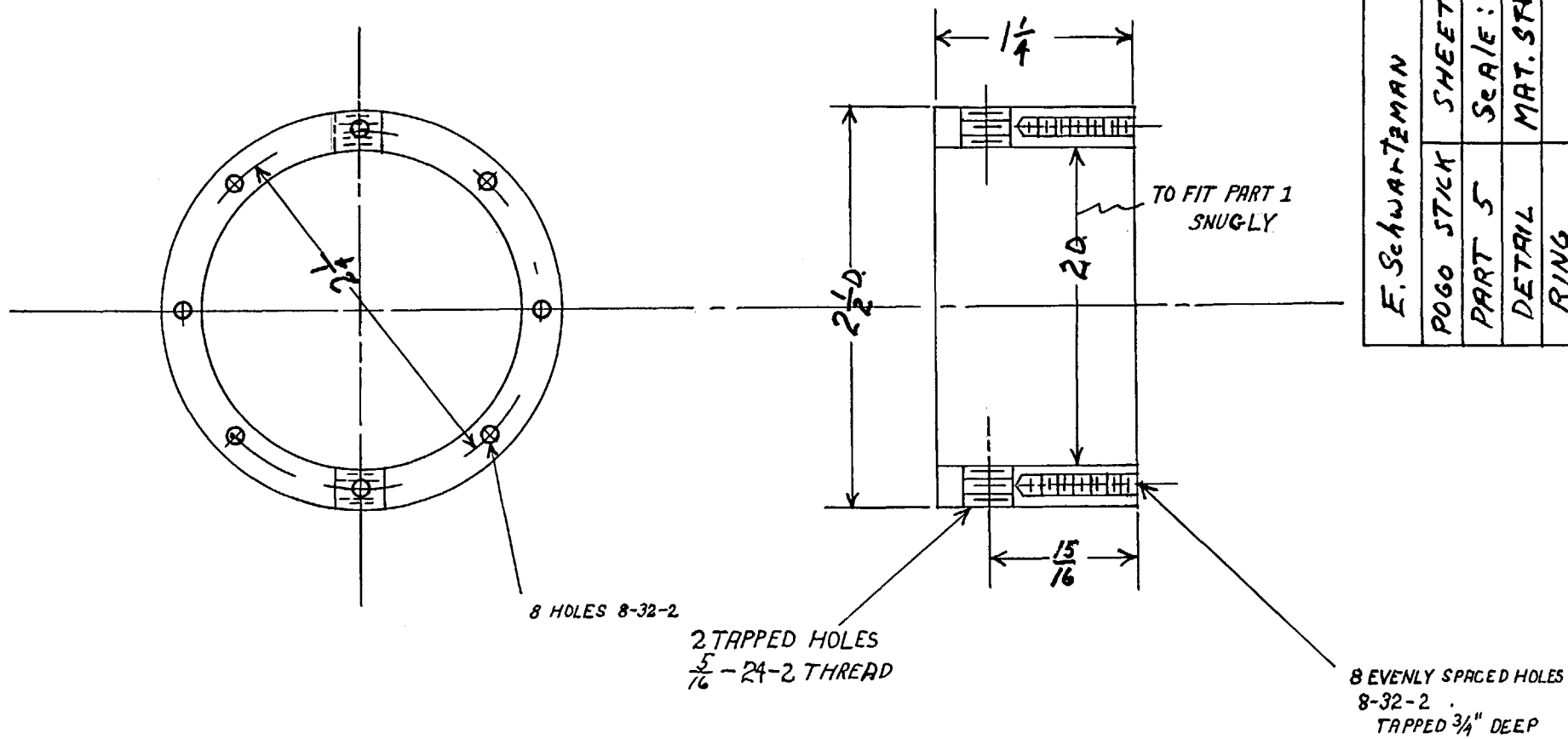
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DIMENSION WHICH IS RED
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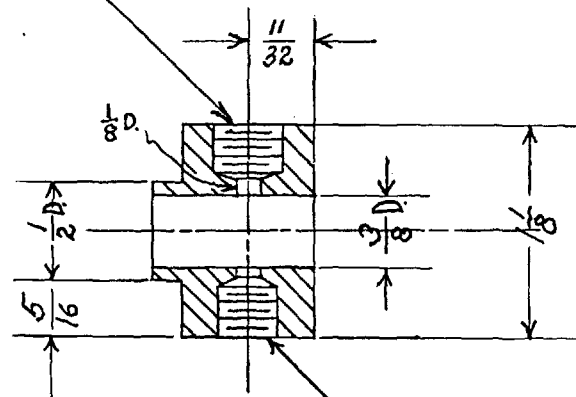
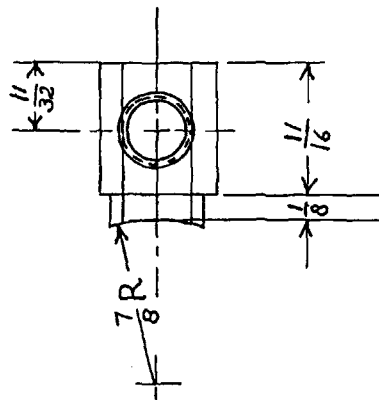
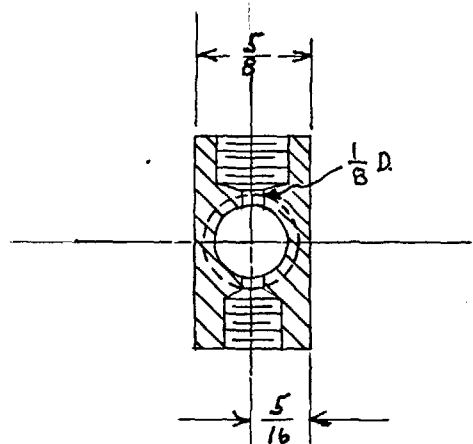
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POGO STICK	SHEET 3	
PART 1	2" = 1" (SCALE: 2)	
DETAIL		



E. SCHWARTZMAN		5-12-54
POGO STICK	SHEET 1	REQ'D. 2
PART II	SCALE: Full	
DETAIL	BYPASS	
	MAT. BRASS	

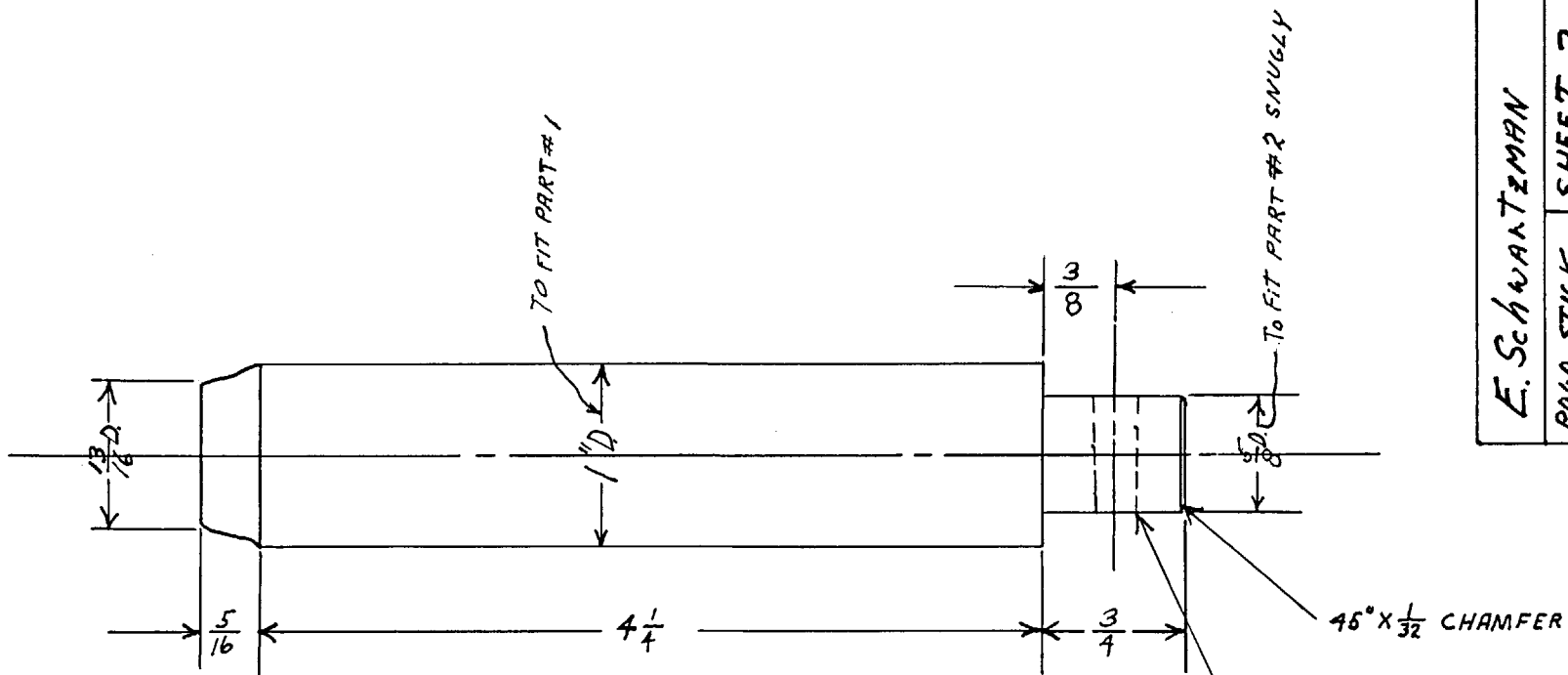


3/8-24-2 TAPPED 1/4" DEEP
for PART: C71-21
ZENITH ADJUSTABLE JET



5/16-24-2
TAPPED 9/32" DEEP
for PART: 68X2 WEATHERHEAD FITTING
MODIFIED BY:
REAMING WITH 1/8" DRILL,
AND CUTTING OFF OF PIPE THREADS
SO THAT PIECE IS FLUSH AT
THE HEAD OF THE NUT.

E. Schwartzman	5-13-54
POGO STICK SHEET 6	REQ'D. 1
PART 12	SCA/E: Full
DETAIL	MAT. BRASS
CARBURATOR	

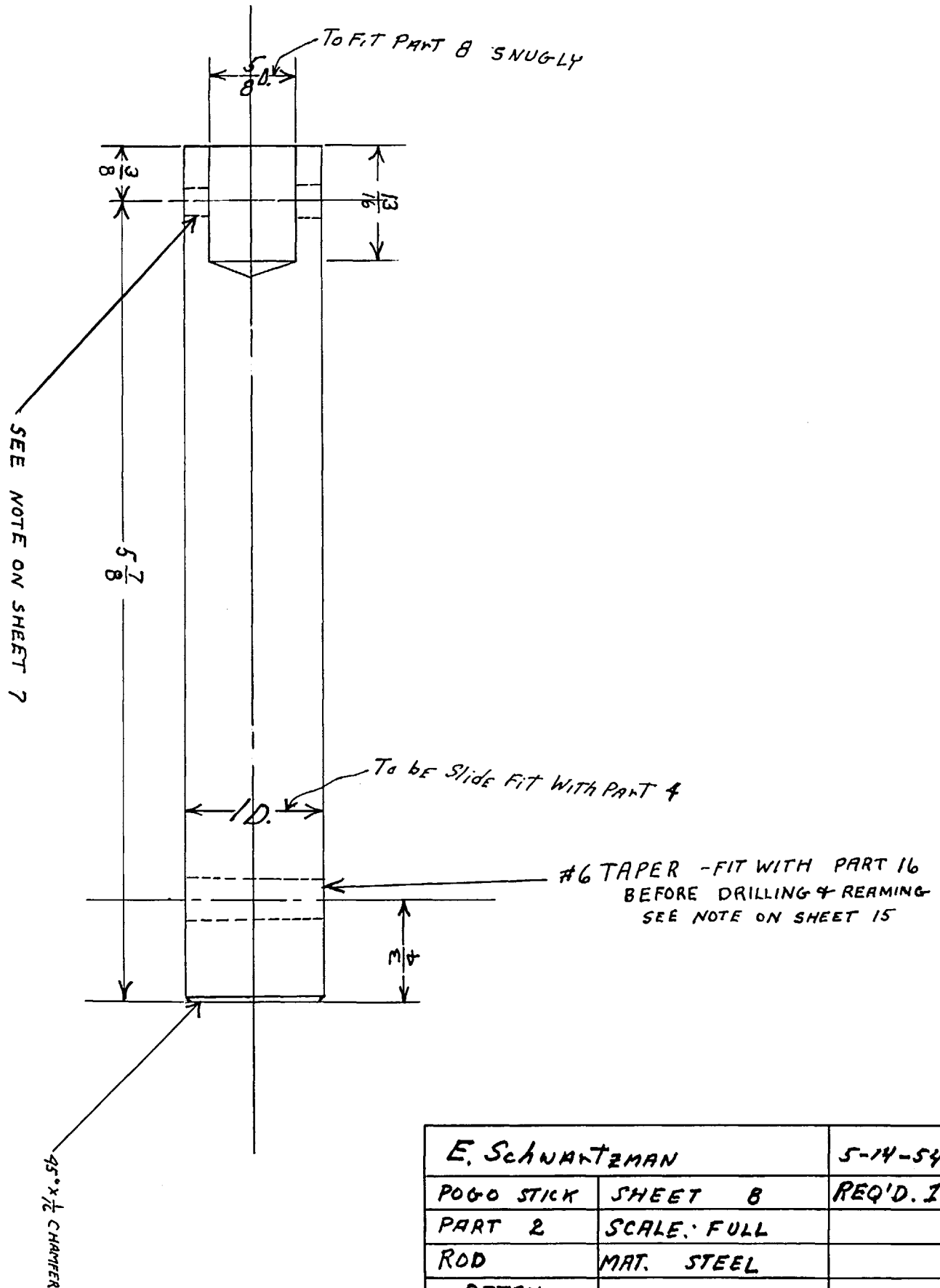


#5 TAPER PIN HOLE ($\frac{1}{4}$ "/FT.)
 DRILL $\frac{1}{4}$ " D. HOLE THEN
 REAM FOR #5 TAPER PIN.

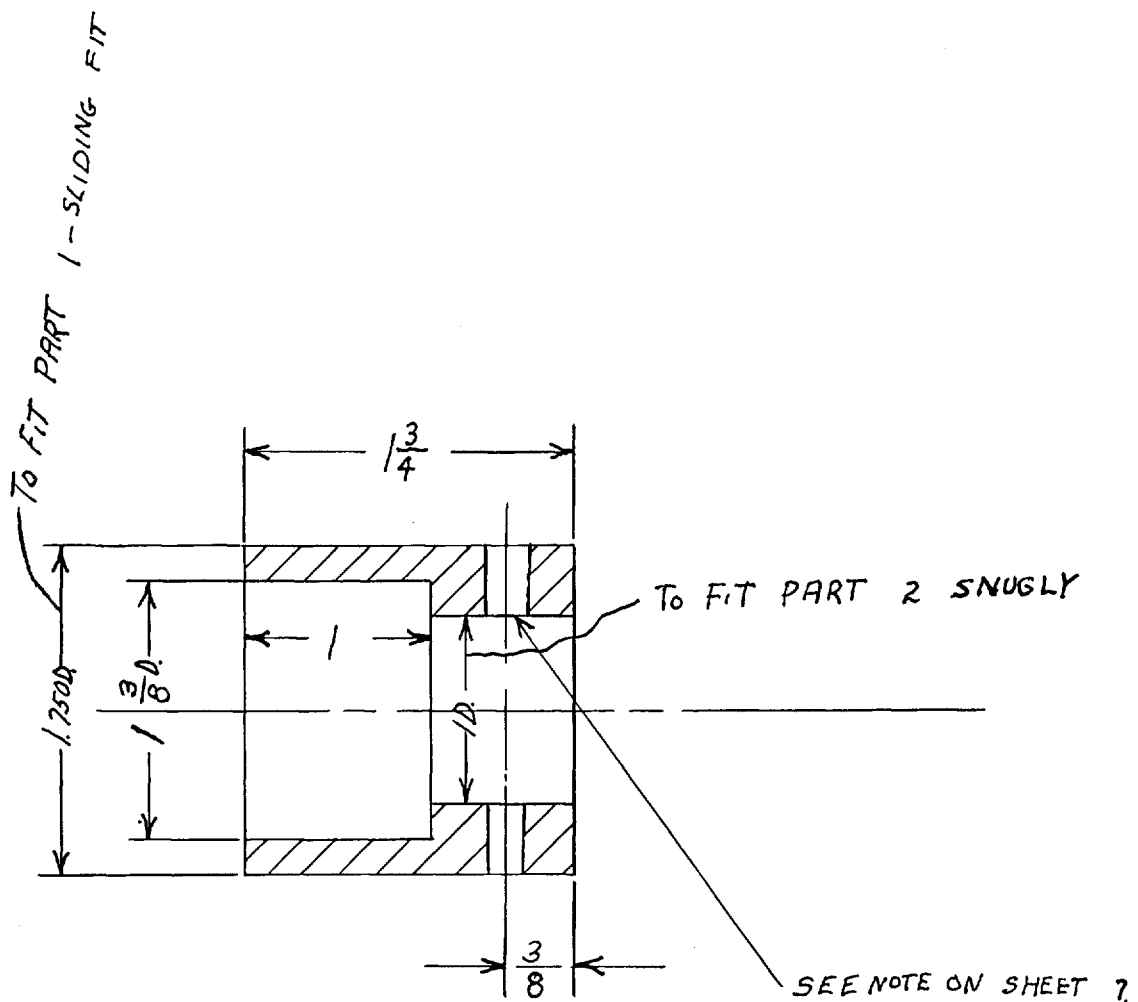
FIRST ASSEM PARTS:

#8, 2, 6 BEFORE DRILLING
 & REAMING, ETC.
 ENDS OF TAPER PIN MUST
 CLEAR CYLINDER WALL BY $\frac{1}{32}$ "

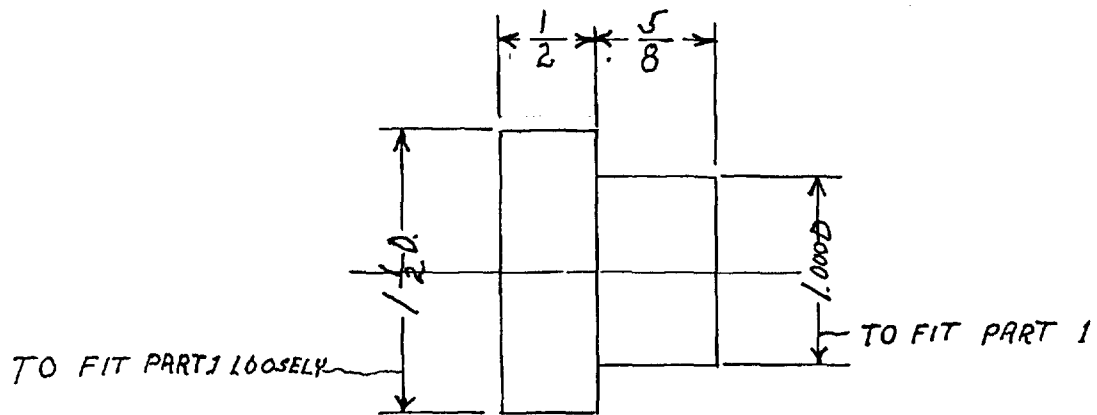
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PART 8	SCALE: Full	
PISTON	MAT. CAST IRON	
DETAIL		



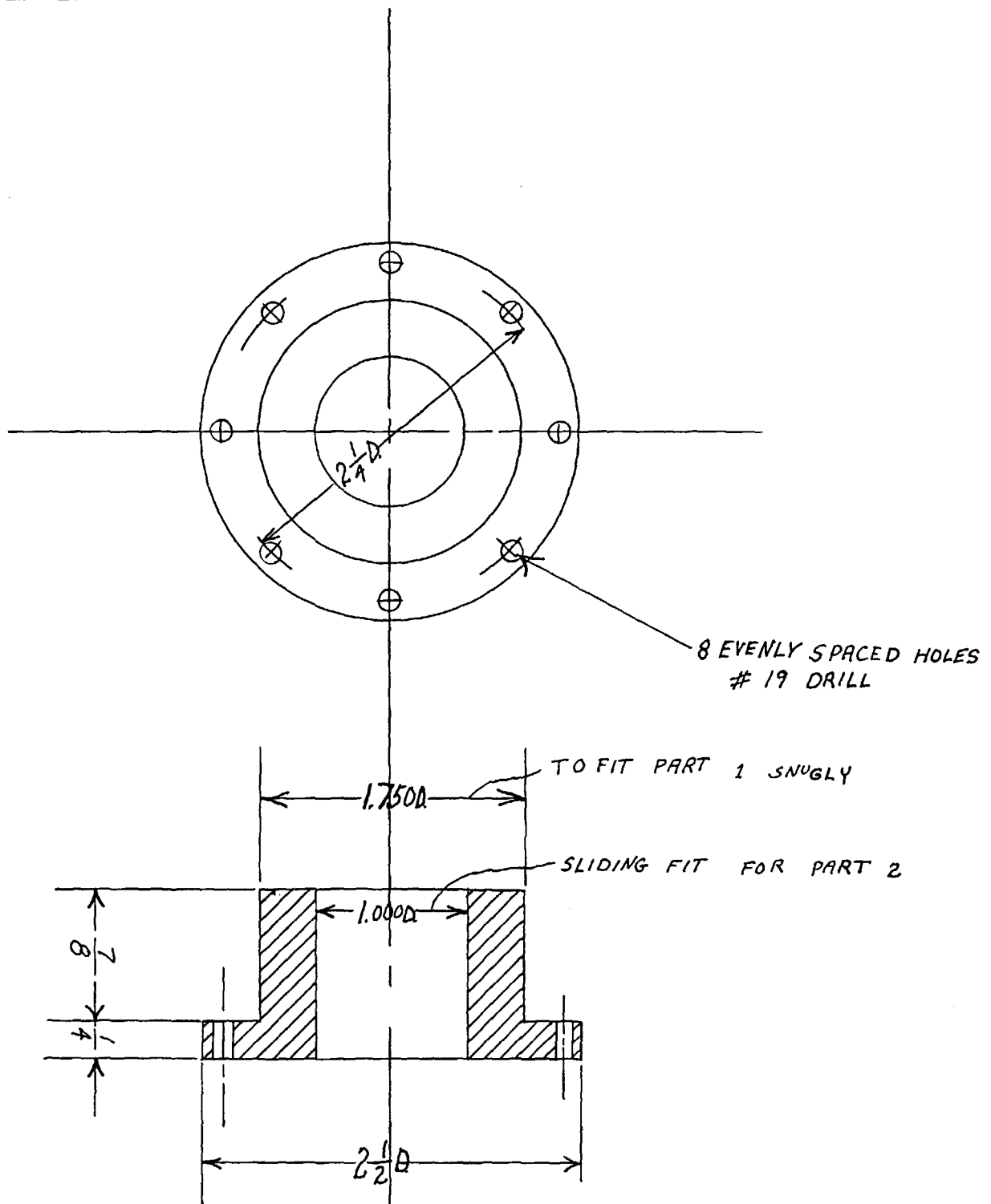
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POGO STICK	SHEET 8	REQ'D. 1
PART 2	SCALE: FULL	
ROD	MAT. STEEL	
DETAIL		



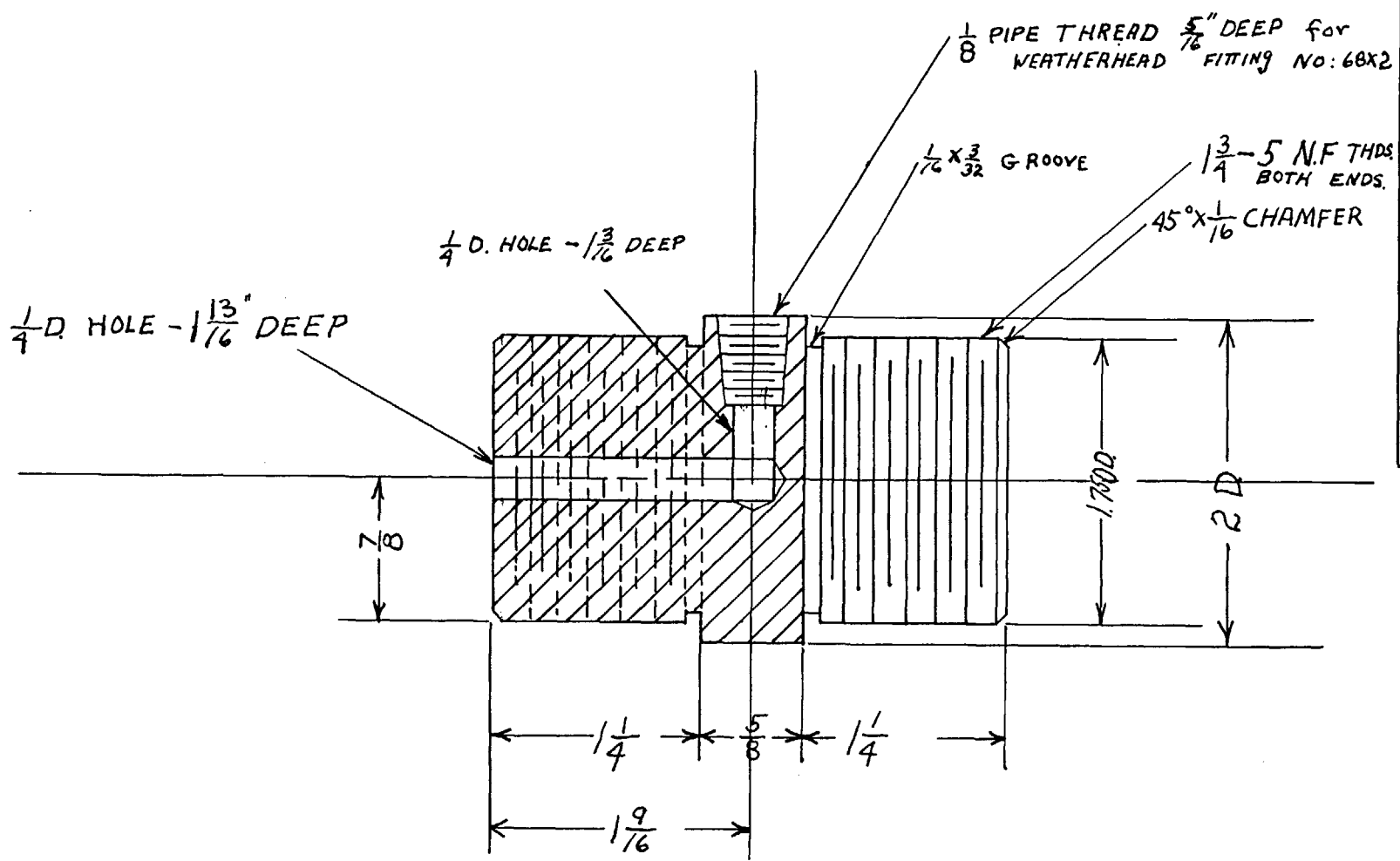
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P600 STICK	SHEET 9	REQ'D. 3
PART 6	SCALE: FULL	
PUMP-PISTON	MAT. CAST IRON	
DETAIL		



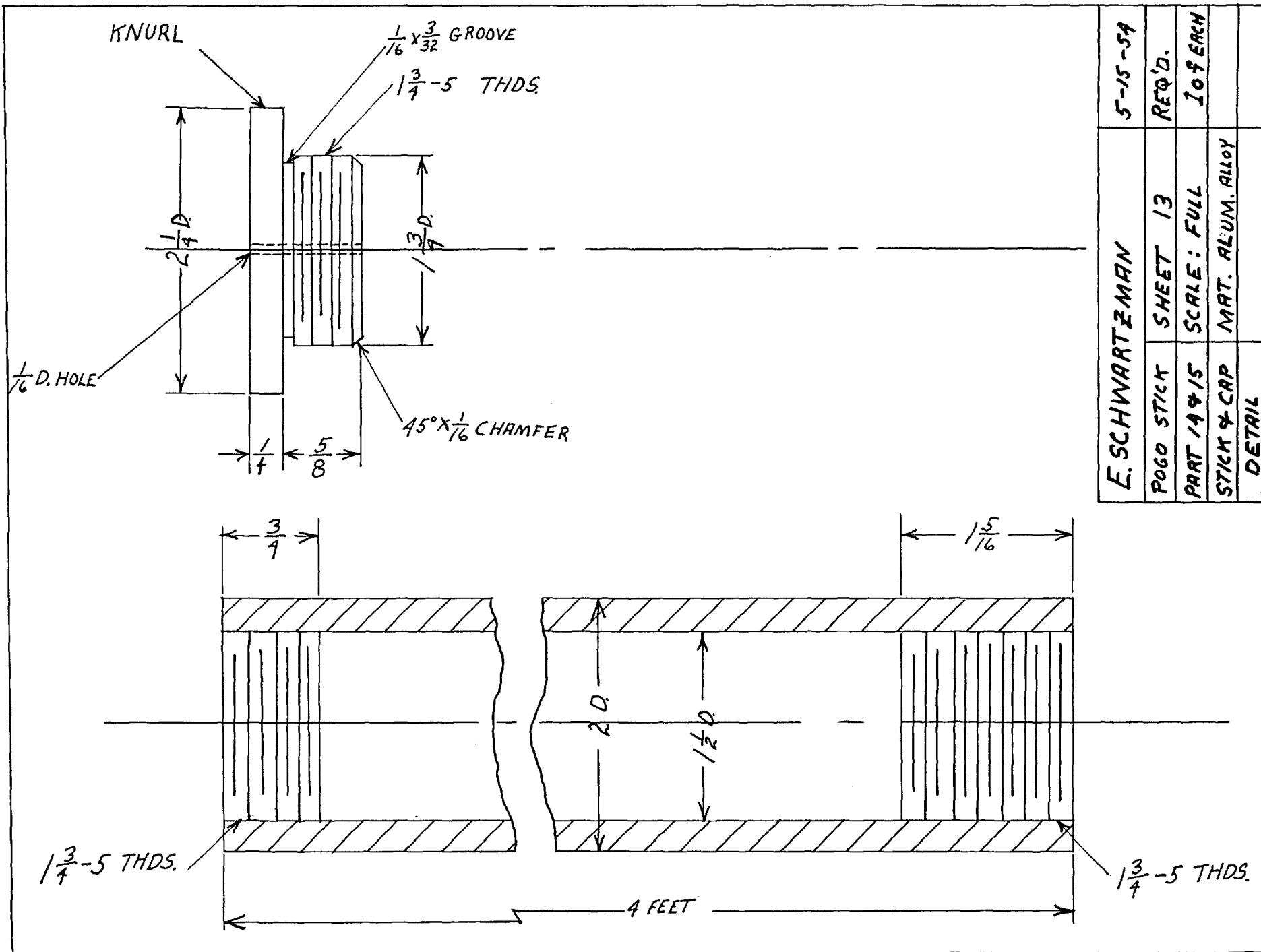
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POGO STICK	SHEET 10	REQ'D. 1
PART 9	SCALE: FULL	
UPPER PISTON	MAT. CAST IRON	
DETAIL		



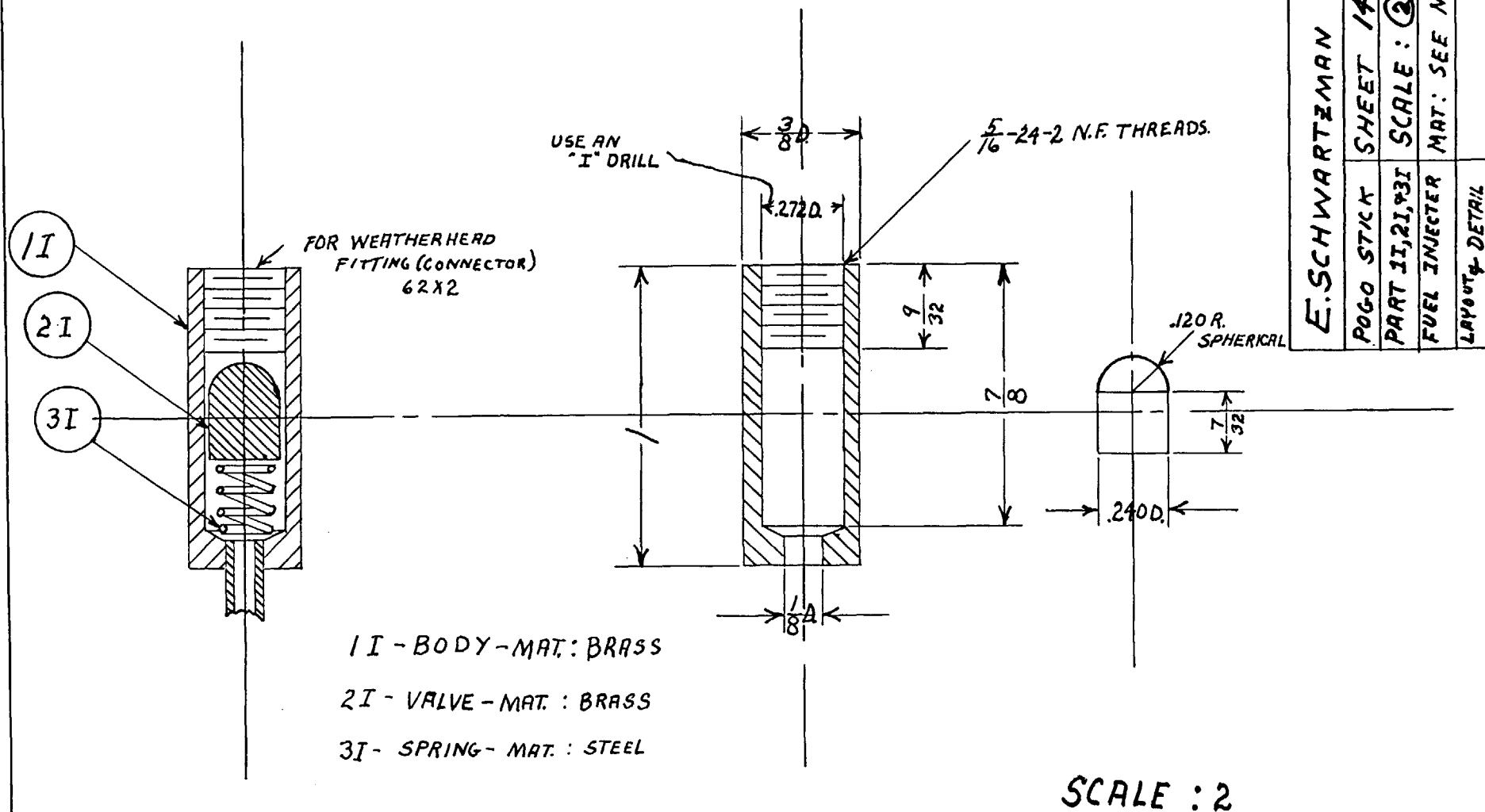
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POGO STICK	SHEET 11	REQ'D. 1
PART 4	SCALE: FULL	
BEARING	"OIL LIGHT" BEARING MATERIAL	
DETAIL	OF PHOS. BRONZE	



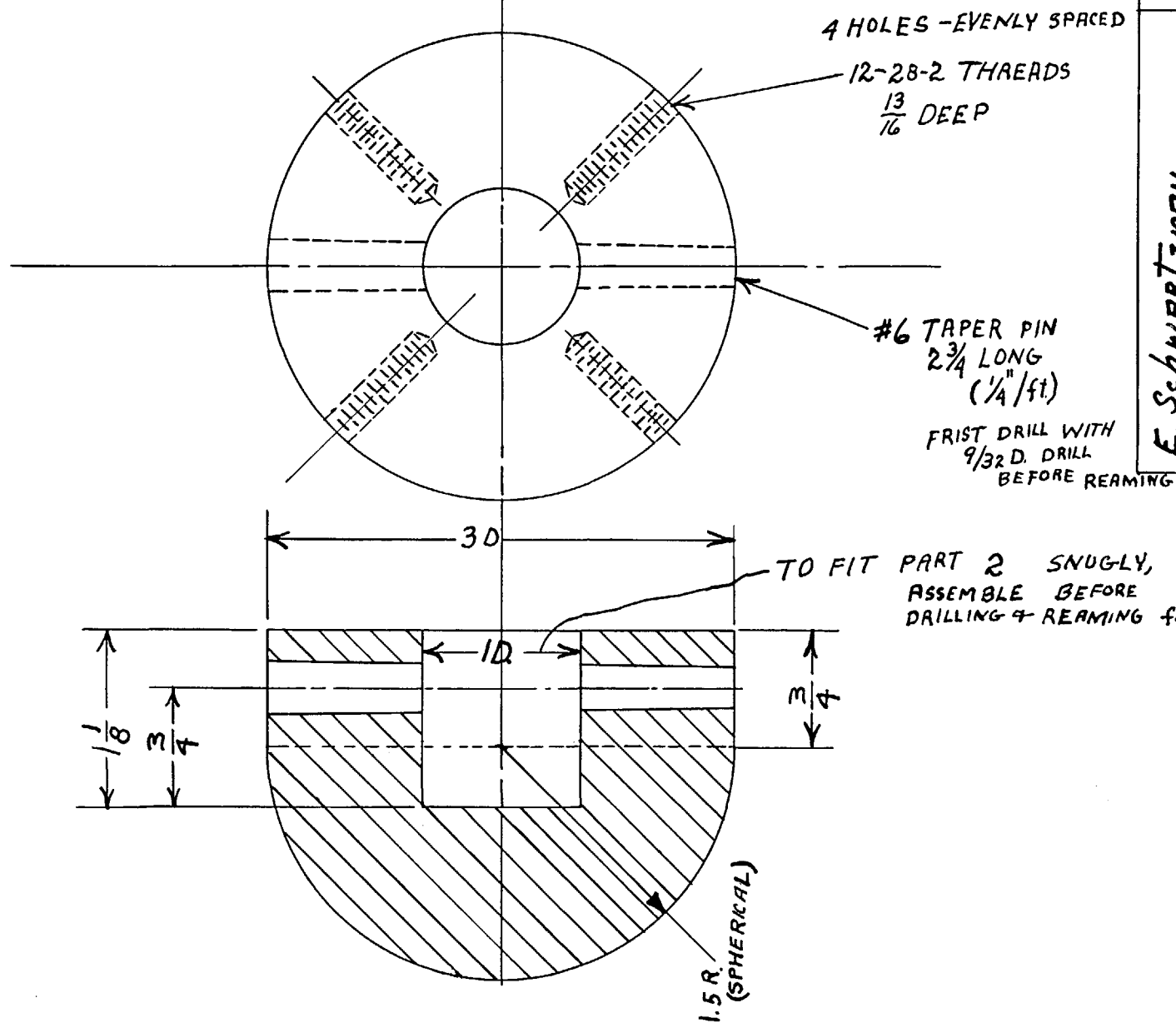
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POGO STICK	SHEET 12	REQ'D. 1
PART 10	SCALE: FULL	
CONNECTER	MAT. STEEL	
DETAIL		



TO BE PLACED ON FUEL LINE
NEAR THE CARBURATOR



E. SCHWARTZMAN		5-17-54
POGO STICK	SHEET 14	REQ'D.
PART 11, 21, 31	SCALE: ②	1 of EACH
FUEL INJECTOR	MAT: SEE NOTE	
LAYOUT & DETAIL		



E. Schwartzman	5-17-54
POGO STICK	SHEET 15
PART 16	SCALE: FULL
FOUNDATION	MAT. ALUM.
DETAIL	



E. SCHWARTZMAN		5-18-54
POGOSTICK	SHEET 17	REQ'D. 1
PART 19	SCALE: FULL	
PEDAL ASSEM.	MAT. STEEL	
DETAIL		

2) The description of auxillary and safety devices used in this mechanism.

A) The upper piston (Part 9):

In reference to sheet 1A the position of the upper piston is seen. A heavy spring (Part 18) keeps a back pressure on this piston (Part 9) during the operation of this mechanism.

By changing the compression in this spring (accomplished by placing spacers between Part 10 and the spring (Part 18), the amount of energy utilization during the operation of this mechanism can be controlled.

During combustion in the upper cylinder high gas pressures are reached (order of 2000 psia). This pressure exerts a force on the upper piston, which in turn displaces it upward and compresses the spring (Part 18).

If the upper piston is displaced high enough, exhaust ports will be uncovered (see Part 2 for details), thus allowing some of the high pressure gases to expand into the atmosphere and thereby accomplishing less useful work in respect to driving the mechanism as compared with the case when the upper exhaust ports are not uncovered during the operation of the mechanism.

In this manner the device can be adjusted to suit people of different weights.

B) Bleed values (Part 13):

In reference to sheet 1A the position of these values (Parts 13) is seen.

During operation of the pogo-stick a high downward velocity of the piston occurs while combustion is taking place in the upper piston.

Upon completion of the power stroke, the piston motion has to be stopped. This is accomplished by compressing gas in the lower part of the power cylinder. In order to keep the piston in the downward or cocked position after the power stroke, it becomes necessary to bleed some of this gas into the atmosphere--to prevent the upward "bouncing" of the piston caused by the compressed air in the lower part of the lower cylinder. This is accomplished and controlled by the needle valves (Part 13).

C) Spring (Part 17):

In reference to sheet 1A, the position of this spring (Part 17) is seen.

This spring keeps the piston in the cocked position so that the compression and power stroke will occur at the desired time--when the operator and pogo-stick hit the ground.

Because of the position of the spring in the mechanism it enables the implement to be operated as a normal pogo-stick when the fuel supply is cut-off.

3) List of standard or supplement parts used in the pogo-stick.

Part No.	No. Required	Description and Part No.
13	2	Stromberg Adj. Jet P12802
	1	For carburetor -
		Zenith Adj. Jet C71-21
	2	Compression male connector
		Weatherhead 68-2
	1	For injector - compression union
		Weatherhead 62-2
7	1	Taper pin #5 1 3/4" long
	1	Taper pin #6 2 3/4" long
17	1	Spring-size will be determined by Experiment upon Completion of Pogo-stick
18	1	Spring-size will be determined by Experiment upon Completion of Pogo-stick

III. Appendix

- 1) Data and calculations used for the Motion-time graphs.
- 2) An analysis of the stresses encountered in the cylinder during combustion--which leads to its design dimensions.

CALCULATIONS for F_1

$$A_1 = .783^{.2}$$

$PV^N = K$ where $N = 1.32$ for N-HEPTANE (Stoichiometric)
when $P = 14.7$, $V = 1$, $K = 14.7$

$$V_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{15} = 1 - .0667 = .9333$$

$$V_2 = 1 - 2/15 = 1 - .1334 = .8666, \text{ etc.}$$

INCREMENTS	V	V^N	$P = K/V^N$ PSI	$F_1 = (P - 14.7)A_1$ lbs	$T^\circ R$
0	1	1	14.7	0	520
1	.9333	.885	16.6	1.49	560
2	.8666	.823	17.9	2.51	565
3	.8000	.741	19.8	4.00	570
4	.7333	.643	22.9	6.46	580
5	.6666	.58	25.4	8.46	600
6	.6000	.51	28.9	11.15	620
7	.5333	.447	33.0	14.35	650
8	.4666	.362	40.6	20.3	685
9	.4000	.297	49.6	27.4	718
10	.3333	.236	62.3	37.4	770
11	.2667	.174	84.5	54.8	830
12	.2000	.119	123.5	85.4	920
12.5	.1666	.093	158.0	—	978
13.0	.1333	.069	216.0	158.00	1040
13.5	.0998	.0463	318.0	—	1150
14	.0667	.0284	518.0	394.00	1280
15	0	0	∞	∞	∞

CALCULATIONS for A_p .

$PV^N = K$, $N = 1.32$ for N-HEPTANE (STOICHIOMETRIC)

WHEN $P = 14.7$, $V_0 = 1$ $\therefore K = 14.7$

$A_E = 1.63 \text{ in}^2$ $V_1 = V_0 + .1 = 1.1$, $V_2 = V_0 + .2 = 1.2$, etc.

INCREMENTS	V	V^N	$P_2 = 14.7/V^N$ PSI.	$(14.7 - P_2)$ PSI.	$P_2^2 = (14.7 - P_2)A_E$ lbs.	$P_1 + P_2 = P_T$ lbs.	$P_T/5$ $\frac{\text{lbs} - \text{SEC}^2}{\text{FT.}}$	a_p $\frac{\text{FT.}}{\text{SEC}^2}$
0	1	1.00	14.7	0	0	0	0	32.2
1	1.1	1.14	12.85	1.85	2.98	4.47	.894	31.31
2	1.2	1.27	11.55	3.15	5.08	7.59	1.52	30.68
3	1.3	1.41	10.40	4.30	6.93	10.93	2.20	30.00
4	1.4	1.56	9.40	5.3	8.54	14.99	3.00	29.20
5	1.5	1.71	8.60	6.1	9.82	18.28	3.66	28.57
6	1.6	1.86	7.92	6.78	10.9	22.05	4.42	27.78
7	1.7	2.03	7.24	7.46	12.0	26.35	5.28	26.92
8	1.8	2.17	6.78	7.92	12.77	33.07	6.64	25.56
9	1.9	2.34	6.29	8.41	13.55	40.95	8.20	24.00
10	2.0	2.50	5.89	8.81	14.20	51.60	10.30	21.91
11	2.1	2.67	5.50	9.2	14.80	69.6	13.94	18.26
12	2.2	2.84	5.18	9.5	15.35	100.75	20.34	11.86
13	2.3	3.00	4.90	9.8	15.80	173.80	34.80	-2.6
14	2.4	3.18	4.62	10.1	16.28	410.28	82.20	-50.0
15	2.5	3.36	4.38	10.3	16.63	∞	∞	$-\infty$

CALCULATIONS FOR THE VELOCITY VS. DISPLACEMENT CURVE, WITH THE CORRESPONDING TIMES.

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \bar{a}$$

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = v$$

$$\frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{1}{v}, \quad dt = \frac{ds}{v}$$

$$\frac{v dv}{ds} = \bar{a}, \quad \int_1^2 v dv = \bar{a} \int_1^2 ds \quad \text{---} \quad \begin{aligned} V_2^2 - V_1^2 &= 2\bar{a}s \\ V_2^2 &= 2\bar{a}s + V_1^2 \end{aligned}$$

INCREMENTS	\bar{a}_p	$2\bar{a}s$	V_2^2	V_2	$\Delta T \times 10^3$	$t_2 \times 10^3$
	IN/SEC ²	IN ² /SEC ²	IN ² /SEC ²	IN/SEC	MILLI-SECS.	MILLI-SECS.
0	386	—	0	0	0	0
1	382	76.4	76.4	8.75	22.8	22.8
2	376	75.0	151.4	12.30	9.7	32.5
3	367	73.2	224.6	15.00	7.1	39.6
4	360	71.9	296.5	17.20	6.1	45.7
5	350	69.9	366.4	19.10	5.8	51.0
6	341	68.1	434.5	20.8	5.58	56.6
7	328	65.6	500.1	22.7	5.48	62.1
8	313	62.5	562.6	23.7	4.17	66.2
9	297	59.4	622.0	25.0	4.16	70.4
10	276	55.1	677.1	26.0	3.99	74.38
11	240	47.9	725.0	26.9	3.76	78.14
12	182	36.4	761.4	27.6	3.58	81.72
13	72	14.4	775.8	27.8	3.47	85.19
13.2	-60	-2.40	773.4	27.7		
13.4	-120	-4.80	768.6	27.6		
13.6	-204	-8.07	760.5	27.55		
13.8	-300	-12.00	748.5	27.30		
14.0	-480	-19.20	728.-	26.90		
14.2	-840	-33.6	6.94-	26.40		

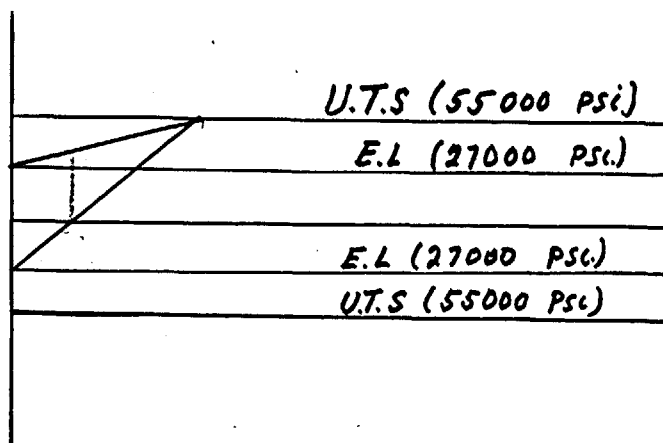
SEE FIG. 6
for these
figures.

2) Calculations for determining the cylinder wall thickness.

Material: 1020 cold rolled steel.

Ultimate tensile strength -55,000 psi (U.T.S)

Endurance limit in reverse bending 27,000 psi (E.L)



Goodman Diagram

Useful endurance limit = 34,000

Since cylinder wall stresses will be only in tension, from Goodman's diagram an effective endurance limit of 34,000 psia will be used.

axial stress = 0

$$\text{hoop stress} = S_t = \frac{FPr}{2t}$$

$$34000 = \frac{4 \times 2000 \times 1}{t}$$

$$t = \frac{8000}{34000 \times 2} = .118''$$

P = cylinder pressure
(psi)

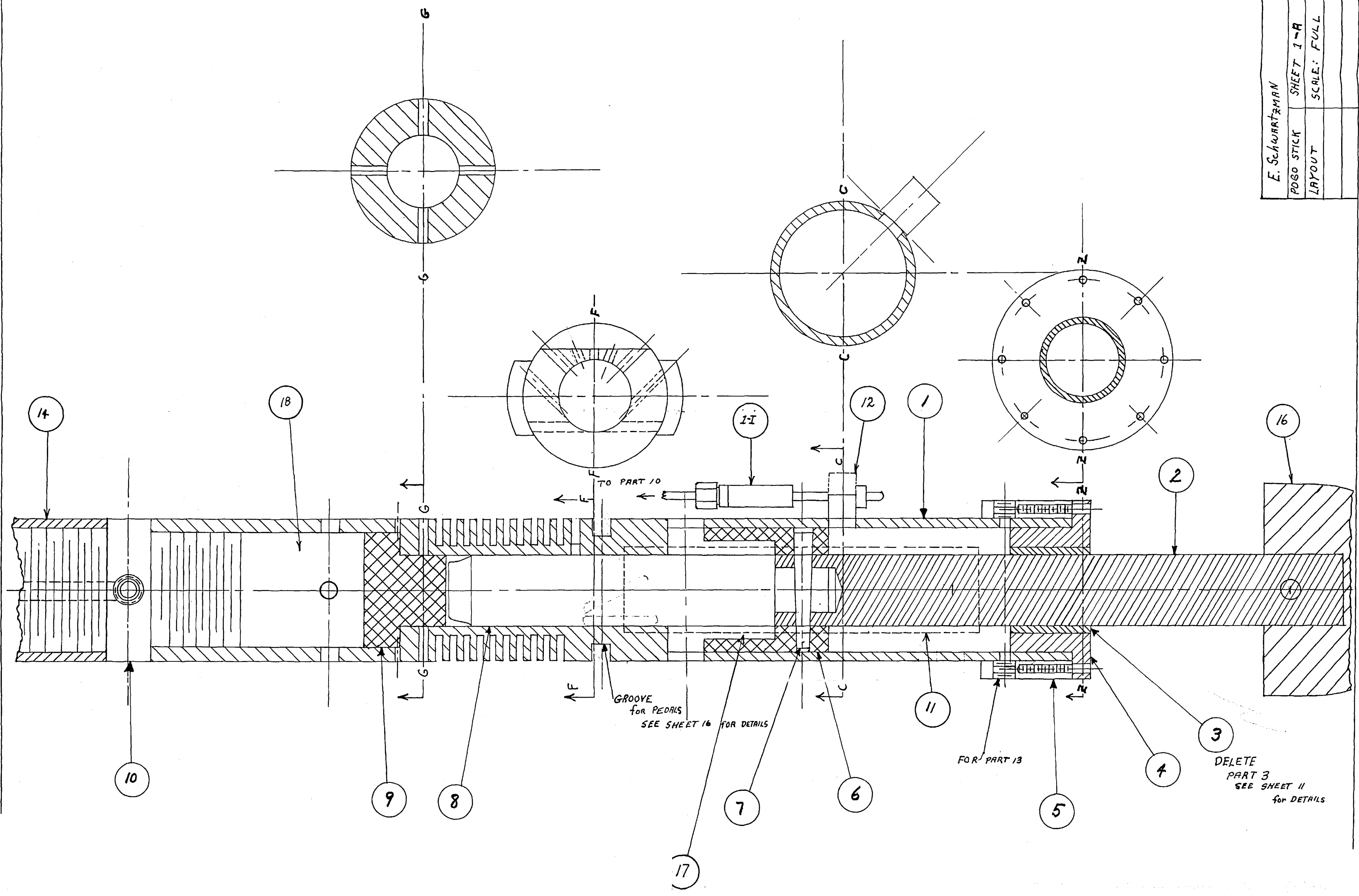
r = cylinder radius
(inch)

t = cylinder wall thickness
(inch)

F = safety factor (4)

S_t = endurance limit
(psi)

A cylinder wall thickness of .125" is actually used.



E. Schwartzman		5-7-54
POGO STICK	SHEET 1-A	
LAYOUT	SCALE: FULL	