

# Department of Industrial and Mechanical Engineering

## **Steam Linear Engine**

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#### **Project Overview**

The purpose of this project is to design a steam prime mover, were pistons are in an opposed position, at 90 degrees relative to each other (total number of pistons are four). The shaft of the four pistons follow a linear path, where the pistons are connected thru a special gear box, comprising a set of planetary gears connected to each piston. The center of gravity of the four pistons is located in a plane perpendicular to the output shaft, connected to the planetary gear mechanism.

#### **Project Areas**

Heat transfer/ Thermodynamics/ Kinematics (2 MEE Students)

#### **Project Deliverables**

Project deliverables consist of the following:

- Design of the optimum thermodynamic steam cycle, dictating the piston's mechanical dimensions (stroke & diameter).
- Complete design of the system's kinematics, generating the exact movement of the piston
- A complete set of CAD drawings (both assembly and shop drawings)

### **Project Constraints**

NA

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