

Title (en)  
Electromagnetic valve with pneumatic spring and toggle drive mechanism

Title (de)  
Elektromagnetventil mit Pneumatikfeder und Kniehebelmechanismus

Title (fr)  
Soupape à commande électromagnétique, à ressort pneumatique et articulation par genouillère

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP1132581A1] The valve stem (25) passes through the cylinder head (12) along the axis of the pneumatic spring's cylinder (40). It is aligned, but discontinuous, with the operating plunger (24) of the adjoining electromagnetic actuator (10). The actuator's armature (22) operates in the air-space of a laminated ferromagnetic core (36), carrying an exciting coil (38). On the adjacent ends of plunger and stem are fixed plate pistons (30,34) that slide inside the spring cylinder, forming two pneumatic return springs that keep the valve, at rest, in mid-position between fully open and fully closed. The actuator coil carries current pulses, at a frequency near the natural frequency, alternately raising and depressing the moving parts under the control of a position sensor. The stiffness of the return springs depends on the air pressure in the cylinder. Each is connected to an electrically operated valve (42) controlled by a calculator (44) forming part of the engine management unit. The valve can connect the spring cylinders to a simple discharge (50) or to a reservoir (460 maintained at a constant pressure by a pump (51). 3 variants are described.

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