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Lecture – 25 How to Search for a Granted Patent

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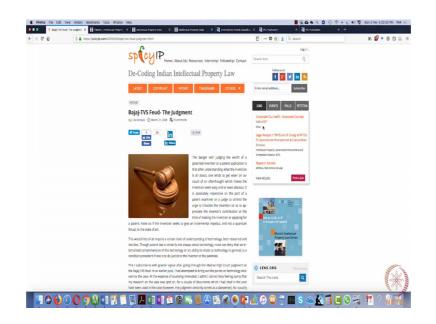
Bajaj Patent No. 195904

An improved Internal Combustion Engine working on four stroke principle, having two valves per cylinder, for efficient burning of lean air fuel mixture used in engines wherein the diameter of cylinder bore ranges between 45 mm and 70 mm characterized in that said Internal Combustion Engine comprises a pair of spark plugs, namely a first spark plug (21) and a second spark plug (22), a cylinder head (25), a sleeve (23), a pair of sealing means (24, 24a), fixing means (26) and a sleeve cap (27); said first and second spark plugs (21 and 22) being fitted to said cylinder head (25) and capable of igniting air fuel mixture at predetermined instant; said second spark plug (22) being housed within said sleeve (23) located within timing chain cavity; said sleeve (23) being detachably push fitted to said cylinder head (25) and held in position by said fixing means (26), said sealing means (24, 24a) being adapted between said cylinder head (25) and the outer periphery of said sleeve (23) and said sleeve cap (27) being fitted on said cylinder head (25).

How to search for a granted patent? Now if you are interested in searching for a granted patent, the first thing you will need is the patent number. Now, for this illustration we have chosen the Bajaj Patent number 195904, which was the patent that was contested in the dispute between Bajaj and TVS. Now, this was a patent infringements case, which was filed before the Madras High Court which pertained to an sparkplug arrangement, twin sparkplug arrangement for an internal combustion engine.

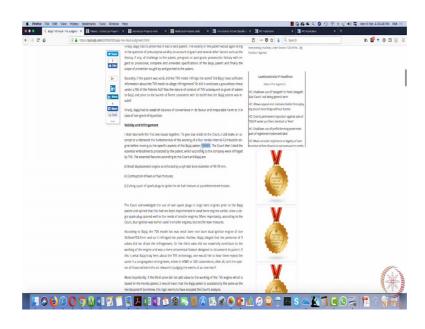
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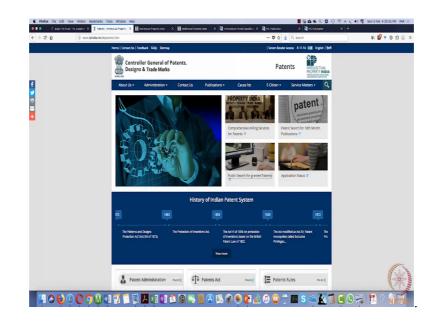
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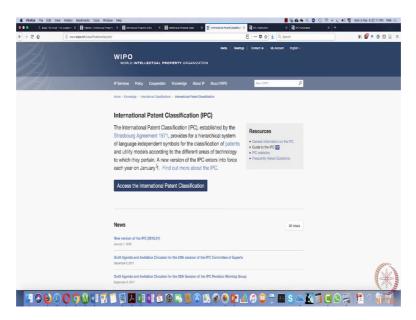
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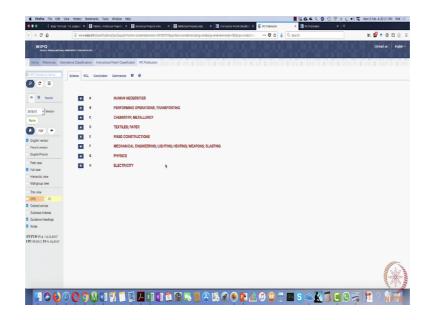
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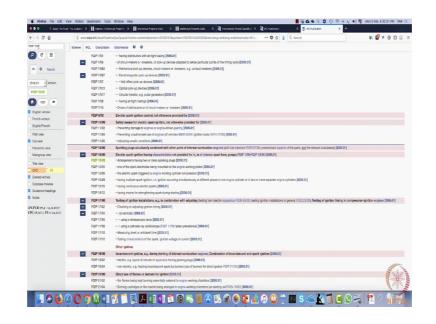
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Now, here is the search term, and here is the search button. Now the particular code is here. What you can see here. F 0 2 p 15 slash 0 2, Arrangement having two or more sparkplugs. Now, you can see that you know this patent which we are just discussing comes under a particular classification in the IPC co code, and this number pertains to arrangement of two or more spark plugs.

Now, if you know to need to know what kind of claim this is, or if you need to understand what are the other claims pertaining to similar inventions, you are going to do a search based on this field. The field that is the IPC classification code; So, most likely if you do a search, you will get all the claims where there has been arrangement of a spark plug two or more spark plugs have been claimed.

So, this is a way in which we understand you can go back to the patent detail page where other things about the patterns are there; the complete specification which ends with the claim.

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Now, we have already discussed the claim in our earlier lecture. Here is the claim that is the main claim for you. The main claim now we have already discussed the earlier details in our lecture.

The earlier lecture you can see how we use this claim to understand the problems solution statement, and the transition from the problem solution statement to the drafting of the preliminary claim.