

Important Pelton Turbine Formulas PDF



**Formulas
Examples
with Units**

**List of 14
Important Pelton Turbine Formulas**

1) Absolute Velocity of Pelton Jet Formula ↻

Formula

$$V_1 = C_v \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot [g] \cdot H}$$

Example with Units

$$27.9837 \text{ m/s} = 0.975 \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 42 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2) Bucket Velocity of Pelton Turbine Formula ↻

Formula

$$U = V_1 - V_{r1}$$

Example with Units

$$14.73 \text{ m/s} = 28 \text{ m/s} - 13.27 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3) Coefficient of Velocity for Pelton Wheel Formula ↻

Formula

$$C_v = \frac{V_1}{\sqrt{2 \cdot [g] \cdot H}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.9756 = \frac{28 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 42 \text{ m}}}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

4) Energy per Unit Mass of Pelton Formula ↻

Formula

$$E_p = (V_{ti} - V_w) \cdot U$$

Example with Units

$$384.3057 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 = (28.27 \text{ m/s} - 2.18 \text{ m/s}) \cdot 14.73 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

5) Energy per Unit Mass of Pelton Turbine Formula ↻

Formula

$$E_m = (V_{r1} + V_{r2} \cdot \cos(\beta_2)) \cdot U$$

Example with Units

$$369.8722 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 = (13.27 \text{ m/s} + 12.6 \text{ m/s} \cdot \cos(20^\circ)) \cdot 14.73 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

6) Inlet Relative Velocity of Pelton Formula ↻

Formula

$$V_{r1} = V_1 - U$$

Example with Units

$$13.27 \text{ m/s} = 28 \text{ m/s} - 14.73 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



7) Outlet Relative Velocity of Pelton Formula

Formula

$$V_{r2} = k \cdot V_{r1}$$

Example with Units

$$12.6065 \text{ m/s} = 0.95 \cdot 13.27 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula 

8) Pelton Head Formula

Formula

$$H = \frac{V_1^2}{2 \cdot [g] \cdot C_v^2}$$

Example with Units

$$42.049 \text{ m} = \frac{28 \text{ m/s}^2}{2 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 0.975^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Power of Pelton Turbine Formula

Formula

$$P_t = (1 + k \cdot \cos(\beta_2)) \cdot \rho \cdot Q_p \cdot U \cdot V_{r1}$$

Example with Units

$$553.2784 \text{ kW} = (1 + 0.95 \cdot \cos(20^\circ)) \cdot 997 \text{ kg/m}^3 \cdot 1.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 14.73 \text{ m/s} \cdot 13.27 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Power of Pelton Turbine given Velocity Formula

Formula

$$P_t = (1 + k \cdot \cos(\beta_2)) \cdot \rho \cdot Q_p \cdot U \cdot (V_1 - U)$$

Example with Units

$$553.2784 \text{ kW} = (1 + 0.95 \cdot \cos(20^\circ)) \cdot 997 \text{ kg/m}^3 \cdot 1.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 14.73 \text{ m/s} \cdot (28 \text{ m/s} - 14.73 \text{ m/s})$$

Evaluate Formula 

11) Tangential Component of Inlet Velocity in Pelton Turbine Formula

Formula

$$V_{ti} = V_{r1} + U$$

Example with Units

$$28 \text{ m/s} = 13.27 \text{ m/s} + 14.73 \text{ m/s}$$

Evaluate Formula 

12) Tangential Component of Outlet Velocity in Pelton Turbine Formula

Formula

$$V_w = U - V_{r2} \cdot \cos(\beta_2)$$

Example with Units

$$2.8899 \text{ m/s} = 14.73 \text{ m/s} - 12.6 \text{ m/s} \cdot \cos(20^\circ)$$

Evaluate Formula 



13) Wheel Efficiency of Pelton Turbine Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$\eta_w = \frac{2 \cdot (1 + k \cdot \cos(\beta_2)) \cdot (V_1 - U) \cdot U}{V_1^2}$$

Example with Units

$$0.9438 = \frac{2 \cdot (1 + 0.95 \cdot \cos(20^\circ)) \cdot (28 \text{ m/s} - 14.73 \text{ m/s}) \cdot 14.73 \text{ m/s}}{28 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

14) Wheel Efficiency of Pelton Turbine given Power Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$\eta_w = \frac{2 \cdot P_t}{\rho \cdot Q_p \cdot V_1^2}$$

Example with Units








$$0.9433 = \frac{2 \cdot 553 \text{ kW}}{997 \text{ kg/m}^3 \cdot 1.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 28 \text{ m/s}^2}$$



Variables used in list of Pelton Turbine Formulas above

- C_v Coefficient of Velocity for Pelton
- E_m Energy Per Unit Mass of Pelton Turbine (Square Meter per Square Second)
- E_p Energy Per Unit Mass of Pelton (Square Meter per Square Second)
- H Pelton Head (Meter)
- k K Factor for Pelton
- P_t Power of Pelton Turbine (Kilowatt)
- Q_p Volume Flow Rate For Pelton Turbine (Cubic Meter per Second)
- U Bucket Velocity of Pelton Turbine (Meter per Second)
- V_1 Velocity of Pelton Jet (Meter per Second)
- V_{r1} Inlet Relative Velocity of Pelton Turbine (Meter per Second)
- V_{r2} Outlet Relative Velocity of Pelton (Meter per Second)
- V_{ti} Tangential Inlet Velocity of Pelton (Meter per Second)
- V_w Tangential Outlet Velocity of Pelton (Meter per Second)
- β_2 Outlet Bucket Angle of Pelton (Degree)
- η_w Wheel Efficiency of Pelton Turbine
- ρ Mass Density (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Pelton Turbine Formulas above

- **constant(s):** $[g]$, 9.80665
Gravitational acceleration on Earth
- **Functions:** \cos , $\cos(\text{Angle})$
Cosine of an angle is the ratio of the side adjacent to the angle to the hypotenuse of the triangle.
- **Functions:** sqrt , $\text{sqrt}(\text{Number})$
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Power** in Kilowatt (kW)
Power Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Angle** in Degree ($^\circ$)
Angle Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second (m^3/s)
Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Mass Concentration** in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m^3)
Mass Concentration Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** **Specific Energy** in Square Meter per Square Second (m^2/s^2)
Specific Energy Unit Conversion 



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