

Important Design of Pressure Vessels Formulas PDF



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List of 52 Important Design of Pressure Vessels Formulas

1) Bernie's and Clavarino's Equation Formulas ↗

1.1) Inner Diameter of Pressurized Cylinder from Bernie's Equation Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$d_i = \frac{2 \cdot t_w}{\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + ((1 - (v) \cdot p_i))}{\sigma_t - ((1 + v) \cdot p_i)} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1}$$

Example with Units

$$755.2067 \text{ mm} = \frac{2 \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}{\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + ((1 - (0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa}))}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - ((1 + 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa})} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1}$$

1.2) Inner Diameter of Pressurized Cylinder from Clavarino's Equation Formula ↗

Evaluate Formula ↗

Formula

$$d_i = \frac{2 \cdot t_w}{\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + ((1 - (2 \cdot v) \cdot p_i))}{\sigma_t - ((1 + v) \cdot p_i)} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1}$$

Example with Units

$$1066.8264 \text{ mm} = \frac{2 \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}{\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + ((1 - (2 \cdot 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa}))}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - ((1 + 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa})} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1}$$



1.3) Thickness of Pressurized Cylinder from Bernie's Equation Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$t_w = \left(\frac{d_i}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + ((1 - (v) \cdot P_i))}{\sigma_t - ((1 + v) \cdot P_i)} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1 \right)$$

Example with Units

$$18.4718 \text{ mm} = \left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + ((1 - (0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa}))}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - ((1 + 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa})} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1 \right)$$

1.4) Thickness of Pressurized Cylinder from Clavarino's Equation Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$t_w = \left(\frac{d_i}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + ((1 - (2 \cdot v) \cdot P_i))}{\sigma_t - ((1 + v) \cdot P_i)} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1 \right)$$

Example with Units

$$13.0762 \text{ mm} = \left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + ((1 - (2 \cdot 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa}))}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - ((1 + 0.3) \cdot 10.2 \text{ MPa})} \right)^{0.5} \right) - 1 \right)$$

2) Bolt of Pressurized Cylinder Formulas ↗

2.1) Change in External Load due to Pressure Inside Cylinder given kb and kc Formula ↗

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$\Delta P_i = P_{ext} \cdot \left(\frac{k_b}{k_c + k_b} \right)$$

$$5193.662 \text{ N} = 25000 \text{ N} \cdot \left(\frac{1180 \text{ kN/mm}}{4500 \text{ kN/mm} + 1180 \text{ kN/mm}} \right)$$

2.2) Change in External Load on Bolt due to Pressure Inside Cylinder Formula ↗

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$\Delta P_i = P_b - P_l$$

$$4500 \text{ N} = 24500 \text{ N} - 20000 \text{ N}$$

2.3) Decrease in Outer Diameter of Cylinder given Total deformation in Pressure Vessel Formula ↗

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$\delta_c = \delta - \delta_j$$

$$0.8 \text{ mm} = 1.20 \text{ mm} - 0.4 \text{ mm}$$



2.4) External Load on Bolt due to Internal Pressure given kb and kc Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$P_{\text{ext}} = \Delta P_i \cdot \left(\frac{k_c + k_b}{k_b} \right)$$

$$24308.4746 \text{ N} = 5050 \text{ N} \cdot \left(\frac{4500 \text{ kN/mm} + 1180 \text{ kN/mm}}{1180 \text{ kN/mm}} \right)$$

2.5) Initial Preload due to Bolt tightening Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$P_l = P_b - \Delta P_i$$

$$19450 \text{ N} = 24500 \text{ N} - 5050 \text{ N}$$

2.6) Initial Preload due to Bolt tightening given kb and kc Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$P_l = P_{\max} \cdot \left(\frac{k_b}{k_c + k_b} \right)$$

$$5235.2113 \text{ N} = 25200 \text{ N} \cdot \left(\frac{1180 \text{ kN/mm}}{4500 \text{ kN/mm} + 1180 \text{ kN/mm}} \right)$$

2.7) Internal Diameter of Pressurized Cylinder Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$d_i = 2 \cdot \frac{t_w}{\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + P_i}{\sigma_t - P_i} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) - 1}$$

$$409.1269 \text{ mm} = 2 \cdot \frac{30 \text{ mm}}{\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + 10.2 \text{ MPa}}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - 10.2 \text{ MPa}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) - 1}$$

2.8) Maximum Load inside Pressurized Cylinder when Joint is on verge of opening Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$P_{\max} = P_l \cdot \left(\frac{k_c + k_b}{k_b} \right)$$

$$96271.1864 \text{ N} = 20000 \text{ N} \cdot \left(\frac{4500 \text{ kN/mm} + 1180 \text{ kN/mm}}{1180 \text{ kN/mm}} \right)$$

2.9) Resultant Load on Bolt given Pre load Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$P_b = P_l + \Delta P_i$$

$$25050 \text{ N} = 20000 \text{ N} + 5050 \text{ N}$$



2.10) Thickness of Pressurized Cylinder Formula

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$$t_w = \left(\frac{d_i}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_t + p_i}{\sigma_t - p_i} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) - 1 \right)$$

Example with Units

$$34.097 \text{ mm} = \left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}}{2} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\left(\frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 + 10.2 \text{ MPa}}{75 \text{ N/mm}^2 - 10.2 \text{ MPa}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) - 1 \right)$$

3) Gasket Joint Formulas

3.1) Approximate Stiffness of Cylinder Cover, Cylinder Flange and Gasket Formula

[Evaluate Formula !\[\]\(05be7c7a8995decd503647c99211f7c2_img.jpg\)](#)**Formula**

$$K = \left(2 \cdot \pi \cdot \left(d^2 \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{E}{t} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$5089.3801 \text{ kN/mm} = \left(2 \cdot 3.1416 \cdot \left(15 \text{ mm}^2 \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}{25 \text{ mm}} \right)$$

3.2) Combined Stiffness of Cylinder Cover, Cylinder Flange and Gasket Formula

[Evaluate Formula !\[\]\(a8f9309f944226d1420f5fed22e2b6e6_img.jpg\)](#)**Formula**

$$k_c = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_1} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_g} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$4721.1054 \text{ kN/mm} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{10050 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{11100 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{45000 \text{ kN/mm}} \right)}$$

3.3) Increase in Inner Diameter of Jacket given Total deformation of Pressure Vessel Formula

[Evaluate Formula !\[\]\(40770d9ed6ed4f1222ebf89a1396e8b2_img.jpg\)](#)**Formula**

$$\delta_j = \delta - \delta_c$$

Example with Units

$$0.4 \text{ mm} = 1.20 \text{ mm} - 0.80 \text{ mm}$$

3.4) Nominal Diameter of Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$d = \sqrt{K \cdot \frac{t}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot E}}$$

Example with Units

$$15.0009 \text{ mm} = \sqrt{5090 \text{ kN/mm} \cdot \frac{25 \text{ mm}}{2 \cdot 3.1416 \cdot 90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.5) Nominal Diameter of Gasket Joint Bolt given Stiffness, total thickness and Young's Modulus Formula

Formula

$$d = \sqrt{k_b \cdot 4 \cdot \frac{1}{\pi \cdot E}}$$

Example with Units

$$30.3009 \text{ mm} = \sqrt{1180 \text{ kN/mm} \cdot 4 \cdot \frac{55 \text{ mm}}{3.1416 \cdot 90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.6) Stiffness of Bolt of Gasket Joint given Nominal Diameter, Total Thickness, and Young's Modulus Formula

Formula

$$k_b = \left(\pi \cdot \frac{d^2}{4} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{E}{l} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$289.1693 \text{ kN/mm} = \left(3.1416 \cdot \frac{15 \text{ mm}}{4} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}{55 \text{ mm}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.7) Stiffness of Cylinder Cover of Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_c} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{k_2} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_g} \right) \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$9098.3607 \text{ kN/mm} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{4500 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{11100 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{45000 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) \right)}$$

3.8) Stiffness of Cylinder Flange of Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_c} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{k_1} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_g} \right) \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$9950.495 \text{ kN/mm} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{4500 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{10050 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{45000 \text{ kN/mm}} \right) \right)}$$



3.9) Stiffness of Gasket of Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$k_g = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{k_c}\right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{k_1}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{k_2}\right)\right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$30646.978 \text{ kN/mm} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{4500 \text{ kN/mm}}\right) - \left(\left(\frac{1}{10050 \text{ kN/mm}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{11100 \text{ kN/mm}}\right)\right)}$$

3.10) Thickness of Member under Compression for Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$t = \left(\pi \cdot \frac{d^2}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{E}{K}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$3.1246 \text{ mm} = \left(3.1416 \cdot \frac{15 \text{ mm}^2}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}{5090 \text{ kN/mm}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.11) Total Deformation of Pressure Vessel given Increase in Inner Diameter of Jacket Formula

Formula

$$\delta = \delta_j + \delta_c$$

Example with Units

$$1.2 \text{ mm} = 0.4 \text{ mm} + 0.80 \text{ mm}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.12) Total Thickness of Gasket Joint given Stiffness, Nominal Diameter and Young's Modulus Formula

Formula

$$l = \left(\pi \cdot \frac{d^2}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{E}{k_b}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$13.4782 \text{ mm} = \left(3.1416 \cdot \frac{15 \text{ mm}^2}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{90000 \text{ N/mm}^2}{1180 \text{ kN/mm}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.13) Young's Modulus of Gasket Joint Formula

Formula

$$E = 4 \cdot K \cdot \frac{t}{\pi \cdot \left(\frac{d^2}{4}\right)}$$

Example with Units

$$720087.6981 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 4 \cdot 5090 \text{ kN/mm} \cdot \frac{25 \text{ mm}}{3.1416 \cdot \left(\frac{15 \text{ mm}}{2}\right)^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.14) Young's Modulus of Gasket Joint given Stiffness, Total Thickness and Nominal Diameter Formula

Formula

$$E = k_b \cdot \frac{l}{\pi \cdot \frac{d^2}{4}}$$

Example with Units

$$367258.8731 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 1180 \text{ kN/mm} \cdot \frac{55 \text{ mm}}{3.1416 \cdot \frac{15 \text{ mm}}{4}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



4) Thick Cylinder Vessel Formulas ↗

4.1) External Pressure acting on Thick Cylinder given Radial Stress Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$P_o = \frac{\sigma_r}{\left(\frac{d_o^2}{(d_o^2 - d_i^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot (r^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$11.7703 \text{ MPa} = \frac{80 \text{ N/mm}^2}{\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2 - 465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

4.2) External Pressure acting on Thick Cylinder given Tangential Stress Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$P_o = \frac{\sigma_{tang}}{\left(\frac{d_o^2}{(d_o^2 - d_i^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot (r^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$7.0622 \text{ MPa} = \frac{48 \text{ N/mm}^2}{\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2 - 465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

4.3) Internal Pressure in Thick Cylinder given Longitudinal Stress Formula ↗

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$P_i = \sigma_l \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{d_o^2}{d_i^2} \right) - 1}{\left(\frac{d_o^2}{d_i^2} \right)}$$

$$27.1324 \text{ MPa} = 68 \text{ N/mm}^2 \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{465 \text{ mm}^2} \right) - 1}{\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{465 \text{ mm}^2} \right)}$$

4.4) Internal Pressure in Thick Cylinder given Radial Stress Formula ↗

Formula

Evaluate Formula ↗

$$P_i = \frac{\sigma_r}{\left(\frac{d_i^2}{(d_o^2 - d_i^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot (r^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$13.8008 \text{ MPa} = \frac{80 \text{ N/mm}^2}{\left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2 - 465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$



4.5) Internal Pressure in Thick Cylinder given Tangential Stress Formula

[Evaluate Formula](#)**Formula**

$$P_i = \frac{\sigma_{\text{tang}}}{\left(\frac{d_i^2}{(d_o^2) - (d_i^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot (r^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$8.2805 \text{ MPa} = \frac{48 \text{ N/mm}^2}{\left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2) - (465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) + 1 \right)}$$

4.6) Longitudinal Stress in Thick Cylinder subjected to Internal Pressure Formula

[Evaluate Formula](#)**Formula**

$$\sigma_l = \left(P_i \cdot \frac{d_i^2}{(d_o^2) - (d_i^2)} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$25.5635 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \left(10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2) - (465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right)$$

4.7) Radial Stress in Thick Cylinder subjected to External Pressure Formula

[Evaluate Formula](#)**Formula**

$$\sigma_r = \left(P_o \cdot \frac{d_o^2}{(d_o^2) - (d_i^2)} \right) \cdot \left(1 - \left(\frac{d_i^2}{4 \cdot (r^2)} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.7257 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \left(8 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{(550 \text{ mm}^2) - (465 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \cdot \left(1 - \left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm}^2)} \right) \right)$$



4.8) Radial Stress in Thick Cylinder subjected to Internal Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_r = \left(P_i \cdot \frac{d_i^2}{\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4} - \frac{d_i^2}{4} \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot r^2} \right) - 1 \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$7.9997 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \left(10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{\left(550 \text{ mm}^2 \right) - \left(465 \text{ mm}^2 \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm})^2} \right) - 1 \right)$$

4.9) Tangential Stress in Thick Cylinder subjected to External Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_{tang} = \left(P_o \cdot \frac{d_o^2}{\left(d_o^2 - d_i^2 \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_i^2}{4 \cdot r^2} \right) + 1 \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$54.374 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \left(8 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{\left(550 \text{ mm}^2 \right) - \left(465 \text{ mm}^2 \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm})^2} \right) + 1 \right)$$

4.10) Tangential Stress in Thick Cylinder subjected to Internal Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_{tang} = \left(P_i \cdot \frac{d_i^2}{\left(d_o^2 - d_i^2 \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{d_o^2}{4 \cdot r^2} \right) + 1 \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$59.1268 \text{ N/mm}^2 = \left(10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}^2}{\left(550 \text{ mm}^2 \right) - \left(465 \text{ mm}^2 \right)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{550 \text{ mm}^2}{4 \cdot (240 \text{ mm})^2} \right) + 1 \right)$$

5) Thin Cylinder Vessel Formulas

5.1) Cylinder Wall Thickness of Thin Cylinder given Longitudinal Stress Formula

Formula

$$t_w = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{4 \cdot \sigma_l}$$

Example with Units

$$17.4375 \text{ mm} = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{4 \cdot 68 \text{ N/mm}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



5.2) Cylinder Wall Thickness of Thin Cylinder given Tangential Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$t_w = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{2 \cdot \sigma_{tang}}$	$49.4062 \text{ mm} = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{2 \cdot 48 \text{ N/mm}^2}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.3) Inner Diameter of Thin Cylinder given Longitudinal Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$d_i = 4 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_l}{P_i}$	$800 \text{ mm} = 4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{68 \text{ N/mm}^2}{10.2 \text{ MPa}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.4) Inner Diameter of Thin Cylinder given Tangential Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$d_i = 2 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_{tang}}{P_i}$	$282.3529 \text{ mm} = 2 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{48 \text{ N/mm}^2}{10.2 \text{ MPa}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.5) Inner Diameter of Thin Spherical Shell given Permissible Tensile Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$d_i = 4 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_t}{P_i}$	$882.3529 \text{ mm} = 4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2}{10.2 \text{ MPa}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.6) Inner Diameter of Thin Spherical Shell given Volume Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$d_i = \left(6 \cdot \frac{V}{\pi} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$	$781.5926 \text{ mm} = \left(6 \cdot \frac{0.25 \text{ m}^3}{3.1416} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.7) Internal Pressure in Thin Cylinder given Longitudinal Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$P_i = 4 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_l}{d_i}$	$17.5484 \text{ MPa} = 4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{68 \text{ N/mm}^2}{465 \text{ mm}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.8) Internal Pressure in Thin Cylinder given Tangential Stress Formula ↗

Formula	Example with Units
$P_i = 2 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_{tang}}{d_i}$	$6.1935 \text{ MPa} = 2 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{48 \text{ N/mm}^2}{465 \text{ mm}}$

[Evaluate Formula ↗](#)

5.9) Internal Pressure in Thin Spherical Shell given Permissible Tensile Stress Formula

Formula

$$P_i = 4 \cdot t_w \cdot \frac{\sigma_t}{d_i}$$

Example with Units

$$19.3548 \text{ MPa} = 4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm} \cdot \frac{75 \text{ N/mm}^2}{465 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5.10) Longitudinal Stress in Thin Cylinder given Internal Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_l = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{4 \cdot t_w}$$

Example with Units

$$39.525 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5.11) Permissible Tensile Stress in Thin Spherical Shell Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_t = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{4 \cdot t_w}$$

Example with Units

$$39.525 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{4 \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5.12) Tangential Stress in Thin Cylinder given Internal Pressure Formula

Formula

$$\sigma_{\text{tang}} = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{2 \cdot t_w}$$

Example with Units

$$79.05 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{2 \cdot 30 \text{ mm}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5.13) Thickness of Thin Spherical Shell given Permissible tensile stress Formula

Formula

$$t_w = P_i \cdot \frac{d_i}{4 \cdot \sigma_t}$$

Example with Units

$$15.81 \text{ mm} = 10.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}}{4 \cdot 75 \text{ N/mm}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5.14) Volume of Thin Spherical Shell given Inner Diameter Formula

Formula

$$V = \pi \cdot \frac{d_i^3}{6}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0526 \text{ m}^3 = 3.1416 \cdot \frac{465 \text{ mm}^3}{6}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Design of Pressure Vessels Formulas above

- **d** Nominal Bolt Diameter on Cylinder (*Millimeter*)
- **d_i** Inner Diameter of Pressurized Cylinder (*Millimeter*)
- **d_o** Outer Diameter of Pressurized Cylinder (*Millimeter*)
- **E** Modulus of Elasticity for Gasket Joint (*Newton per Square Millimeter*)
- **K** Approximate Stiffness of Gasketed Joint (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **k₁** Stiffness of Pressurized Cylinder Cover (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **k₂** Stiffness of Pressurized Cylinder Flange (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **k_b** Stiffness of Pressurized Cylinder Bolt (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **k_c** Combined Stiffness for Gasket Joint (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **k_g** Stiffness of Gasket (*Kilonewton per Millimeter*)
- **I** Total Thickness of parts held together by Bolt (*Millimeter*)
- **P_b** Resultant Load on Pressurized Cylinder Bolt (*Newton*)
- **P_{ext}** External Load on Pressurized Cylinder Bolt (*Newton*)
- **P_i** Internal Pressure on Cylinder (*Megapascal*)
- **P_I** Initial Preload Due to Bolt Tightening (*Newton*)
- **P_{max}** Maximum Force Inside Pressurized Cylinder (*Newton*)
- **P_o** External Pressure on Cylinder (*Megapascal*)
- **r** Radius of pressurized cylinder (*Millimeter*)
- **t** Thickness of Member under Compression (*Millimeter*)
- **t_w** Thickness of Pressurized Cylinder Wall (*Millimeter*)
- **V** Volume of Thin Spherical Shell (*Cubic Meter*)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Design of Pressure Vessels Formulas above

- **constant(s): pi,**
3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Functions:** **sqrt**, sqrt(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 Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion ↗
- **Measurement:** **Volume** in Cubic Meter (m³)
Volume Unit Conversion ↗
- **Measurement:** **Pressure** in Megapascal (MPa)
Pressure Unit Conversion ↗
- **Measurement:** **Force** in Newton (N)
Force Unit Conversion ↗
- **Measurement:** **Stiffness Constant** in Kilonewton per Millimeter (kN/mm)
Stiffness Constant Unit Conversion ↗
- **Measurement:** **Stress** in Newton per Square Millimeter (N/mm²)
Stress Unit Conversion ↗



- δ Total Deformation of Pressure Vessel
(Millimeter)
- δ_c Decrease in Outer Diameter of Cylinder
(Millimeter)
- δ_j Increase in Inner Diameter of Jacket
(Millimeter)
- ΔP_i Increase in Bolt Load of Cylinder (Newton)
- σ_l Longitudinal Stress in Pressurized Cylinder
(Newton per Square Millimeter)
- σ_r Radial Stress in Pressurized Cylinder (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- σ_t Permissible Tensile Stress in Pressurized Cylinder (Newton per Square Millimeter)
- σ_{tang} Tangential Stress in Pressurized Cylinder
(Newton per Square Millimeter)
- ν Poisson's Ratio of Pressurized Cylinder

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