

# Important Friction Devices Formulas PDF



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**Important Friction Devices Formulas**

## 1) Pivot Bearing Formulas

### 1.1) Frictional Torque on Conical Pivot Bearing by Uniform Pressure Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{\mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot D_s \cdot h_s}{3}$$

Example with Units

$$2.4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 0.5 \text{ m} \cdot 1.5 \text{ m}}{3}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.2) Frictional Torque on Conical Pivot Bearing by Uniform Wear Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{\mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot D_s \cdot \text{cosec} \frac{\alpha}{2}}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$2.3794 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 0.5 \text{ m} \cdot \text{cosec} \frac{30.286549^\circ}{2}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.3) Frictional Torque on Flat Pivot Bearing by Uniform Pressure Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot R$$

Example with Units

$$21.12 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 3.3 \text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.4) Frictional Torque on Truncated Conical Pivot Bearing by Uniform Pressure Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot \frac{r_1^3 - r_2^3}{r_1^2 - r_2^2}$$

Example with Units

$$67.6571 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot \frac{8 \text{ m}^3 - 6 \text{ m}^3}{8 \text{ m}^2 - 6 \text{ m}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.5) Mean Radius of Collar Formula

Formula

$$R_c = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$0.04 \text{ m} = \frac{0.050 \text{ m} + 0.03 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 1.6) Pressure over Bearing Area of Flat Pivot Bearing Formula

Formula

$$p_i = \frac{W_t}{\pi \cdot R^2}$$

Example with Units

$$0.7015 \text{ Pa} = \frac{24 \text{ N}}{3.1416 \cdot 3.3 \text{ m}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



## 1.7) Torque Required to Overcome Friction at Collar Formula

Formula

$$T = \mu_c \cdot W_l \cdot R_c$$

Example with Units

$$0.1696 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 0.16 \cdot 53 \text{ N} \cdot 0.02 \text{ m}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.8) Total Frictional Torque on Conical Pivot Bearing Considering Uniform Pressure Formula

Formula

$$T = \mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot D_s \cdot \operatorname{cosec} \frac{\alpha}{3}$$

Example with Units

$$3.1726 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 0.5 \text{ m} \cdot \operatorname{cosec} \frac{30.286549^\circ}{3}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.9) Total Frictional Torque on Conical Pivot Bearing Considering Uniform Wear when Slant Height of Cone Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{\mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot h_s}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$7.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 1.5 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.10) Total Frictional Torque on Flat Pivot Bearing Considering Uniform Wear Formula

Formula

$$T = \frac{\mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot R}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$15.84 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = \frac{0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot 3.3 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.11) Total Frictional Torque on Truncated Conical Pivot Bearing Considering Uniform Wear Formula

Formula

$$T = \mu_f \cdot W_t \cdot \frac{r_1 + r_2}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$67.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 0.4 \cdot 24 \text{ N} \cdot \frac{8 \text{ m} + 6 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 1.12) Total Vertical Load Transmitted to Conical Pivot Bearing for Uniform Pressure Formula

Formula

$$W_t = \pi \cdot \left( \frac{D_s}{2} \right)^2 \cdot p_i$$

Example with Units

$$1.9635 \text{ N} = 3.1416 \cdot \left( \frac{0.5 \text{ m}}{2} \right)^2 \cdot 10 \text{ Pa}$$

Evaluate Formula 



## 2) Screw and Nut Formulas ↻

### 2.1) Force at Circumference of Screw given Helix Angle and Coefficient of Friction Formula ↻

Formula

$$F = W \cdot \left( \frac{\sin(\psi) + \mu_f \cdot \cos(\psi)}{\cos(\psi) - \mu_f \cdot \sin(\psi)} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

Example with Units

$$63.8967 \text{ N} = 60 \text{ kg} \cdot \left( \frac{\sin(25^\circ) + 0.4 \cdot \cos(25^\circ)}{\cos(25^\circ) - 0.4 \cdot \sin(25^\circ)} \right)$$

### 2.2) Force at Circumference of Screw given Helix Angle and Limiting Angle Formula ↻

Formula

$$F = W_1 \cdot \tan(\psi + \Phi)$$

Example with Units

$$40.6683 \text{ N} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(25^\circ + 12.5^\circ)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.3) Helix Angle Formula ↻

Formula

$$\psi = \text{atan}\left(\frac{L}{C}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.0548^\circ = \text{atan}\left(\frac{0.011 \text{ m}}{11.5 \text{ m}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.4) Helix Angle for Multi-Threaded Screw Formula ↻

Formula

$$\psi = \text{atan}\left(\frac{n \cdot P_s}{\pi \cdot d}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$89.865^\circ = \text{atan}\left(\frac{16 \cdot 5 \text{ m}}{3.1416 \cdot 0.06 \text{ m}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.5) Helix Angle for Single Threaded Screw Formula ↻

Formula

$$\psi = \text{atan}\left(\frac{P_s}{\pi \cdot d}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$87.841^\circ = \text{atan}\left(\frac{5 \text{ m}}{3.1416 \cdot 0.06 \text{ m}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.6) Lead of Screw Formula ↻

Formula

$$L = P_s \cdot n$$

Example with Units

$$80 \text{ m} = 5 \text{ m} \cdot 16$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

### 2.7) Torque Required to Overcome Friction between Screw and Nut Formula ↻

Formula

$$T = W_1 \cdot \tan(\psi + \Phi) \cdot \frac{d}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$1.22 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(25^\circ + 12.5^\circ) \cdot \frac{0.06 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



## 2.8) Torque Required to Overcome Friction between Screw and Nut while Lowering Load

### Formula

Formula

$$T = W_1 \cdot \tan(\Phi - \psi) \cdot \frac{d}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$-0.3525 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(12.5^\circ - 25^\circ) \cdot \frac{0.06 \text{ m}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 3) Screw Jack Formulas

### 3.1) Efficiency of Screw Jack when Screw Friction as well as Collar Friction Considered

#### Formula

Formula

$$\eta = \frac{W \cdot \tan(\psi) \cdot d}{W_1 \cdot \tan(\psi + \Phi) \cdot d + \mu_c \cdot W_1 \cdot R_c}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$0.6433 = \frac{60 \text{ kg} \cdot \tan(25^\circ) \cdot 0.06 \text{ m}}{53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(25^\circ + 12.5^\circ) \cdot 0.06 \text{ m} + 0.16 \cdot 53 \text{ N} \cdot 0.02 \text{ m}}$$

### 3.2) Efficiency of Screw Jack when only Screw Friction is Considered Formula

Formula

$$\eta = \frac{\tan(\psi)}{\tan(\psi + \Phi)}$$

Example with Units

$$0.6077 = \frac{\tan(25^\circ)}{\tan(25^\circ + 12.5^\circ)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 3.3) Force Required to Lower Load by Screw Jack given Weight of Load Formula

Formula

$$F = W_1 \cdot \frac{\mu_f \cdot \cos(\psi) - \sin(\psi)}{\cos(\psi) + \mu_f \cdot \sin(\psi)}$$

Example with Units

$$-2.9619 \text{ N} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \frac{0.4 \cdot \cos(25^\circ) - \sin(25^\circ)}{\cos(25^\circ) + 0.4 \cdot \sin(25^\circ)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 3.4) Force Required to Lower Load by Screw Jack given weight of load and Limiting angle

#### Formula

Formula

$$F = W_1 \cdot \tan(\Phi - \psi)$$

Example with Units

$$-11.7498 \text{ N} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(12.5^\circ - 25^\circ)$$

Evaluate Formula 

### 3.5) Ideal Effort to Raise Load by Screw Jack Formula

Formula

$$P_o = W_1 \cdot \tan(\psi)$$

Example with Units

$$24.7143 \text{ N} = 53 \text{ N} \cdot \tan(25^\circ)$$

Evaluate Formula 



### 3.6) Maximum Efficiency of Screw Jack Formula

Formula

$$\eta = \frac{1 - \sin(\Phi)}{1 + \sin(\Phi)}$$

Example with Units

$$0.6441 = \frac{1 - \sin(12.5^\circ)}{1 + \sin(12.5^\circ)}$$

Evaluate Formula 



## Variables used in list of Friction Devices Formulas above




- **C** Circumference of Screw (Meter)
- **d** Mean Diameter of Screw (Meter)
- **D<sub>s</sub>** Shaft Diameter (Meter)
- **F** Force Required (Newton)
- **h<sub>s</sub>** Slant Height (Meter)
- **L** Lead of Screw (Meter)
- **n** Number of Threads
- **p<sub>i</sub>** Pressure Intensity (Pascal)
- **P<sub>o</sub>** Ideal Effort (Newton)
- **P<sub>s</sub>** Pitch (Meter)
- **R** Radius of Bearing Surface (Meter)
- **r<sub>1</sub>** Outer Radius of Bearing Surface (Meter)
- **R<sub>1</sub>** Outer Radius of Collar (Meter)
- **r<sub>2</sub>** Inner Radius of Bearing Surface (Meter)
- **R<sub>2</sub>** Inner Radius of Collar (Meter)
- **R<sub>c</sub>** Mean Radius of Collar (Meter)
- **T** Total Torque (Newton Meter)
- **W** Weight (Kilogram)
- **W<sub>l</sub>** Load (Newton)
- **W<sub>t</sub>** Load Transmitted Over Bearing Surface (Newton)
- **α** Semi Angle of Cone (Degree)
- **η** Efficiency
- **μ<sub>c</sub>** Coefficient of Friction For Collar
- **μ<sub>f</sub>** Coefficient of Friction
- **Φ** Limiting Angle of Friction (Degree)
- **ψ** Helix Angle (Degree)

## Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Friction Devices Formulas above

- **constant(s): pi**,  
3.14159265358979323846264338327950288  
*Archimedes' constant*
- **Functions: atan**, atan(Number)  
*Inverse tan is used to calculate the angle by applying the tangent ratio of the angle, which is the opposite side divided by the adjacent side of the right triangle.*
- **Functions: cos**, cos(Angle)  
*Cosine of an angle is the ratio of the side adjacent to the angle to the hypotenuse of the triangle.*
- **Functions: cosec**, cosec(Angle)  
*The cosecant function is a trigonometric function that is the reciprocal of the sine function.*
- **Functions: sec**, sec(Angle)  
*Secant is a trigonometric function that is defined ratio of the hypotenuse to the shorter side adjacent to an acute angle (in a right-angled triangle); the reciprocal of a cosine.*
- **Functions: sin**, sin(Angle)  
*Sine is a trigonometric function that describes the ratio of the length of the opposite side of a right triangle to the length of the hypotenuse.*
- **Functions: tan**, tan(Angle)  
*The tangent of an angle is a trigonometric ratio of the length of the side opposite an angle to the length of the side adjacent to an angle in a right triangle.*
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)  
*Length Unit Conversion* ↻
- **Measurement: Weight** in Kilogram (kg)  
*Weight Unit Conversion* ↻
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Pascal (Pa)  
*Pressure Unit Conversion* ↻
- **Measurement: Force** in Newton (N)  
*Force Unit Conversion* ↻
- **Measurement: Angle** in Degree (°)  
*Angle Unit Conversion* ↻
- **Measurement: Torque** in Newton Meter (N\*m)  
*Torque Unit Conversion* ↻



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