

# Mobius Institute Board of Certification Category IV Exam Reference Equations



## Vibration unit conversions [English]

$$\text{mils}_{pk-pk} = \frac{19098 \text{ in}/s_{pk}}{f_{cpm}}$$

$$\text{in}/s_{pk} = \frac{5217 G_{rms}}{f_{cpm}}$$

$$\text{mils}_{pk-pk} = \frac{9.958 \times 10^7 G_{rms}}{f_{cpm}^2}$$

$$G_{rms} = \frac{f_{cpm} \text{ in}/s_{pk}}{5217}$$

$$\text{in}/s_{pk} = \frac{f_{cpm} \text{ mils}_{pk-pk}}{19098}$$

$$G_{rms} = \frac{f_{cpm}^2 \text{ mils}_{pk}}{9.958 \times 10^7}$$

## Vibration unit conversions [Metric]

$$\mu\text{m}_{pk-pk} = \frac{27009 \text{ mm}/s_{rms}}{f_{cpm}}$$

$$\text{mm}/s_{rms} = \frac{93712 G_{rms}}{f_{cpm}}$$

$$\mu\text{m}_{pk-pk} = \frac{2.53 \times 10^9 G_{rms}}{f_{cpm}^2}$$

$$G_{rms} = \frac{f_{cpm} \text{ mm}/s_{rms}}{93712}$$

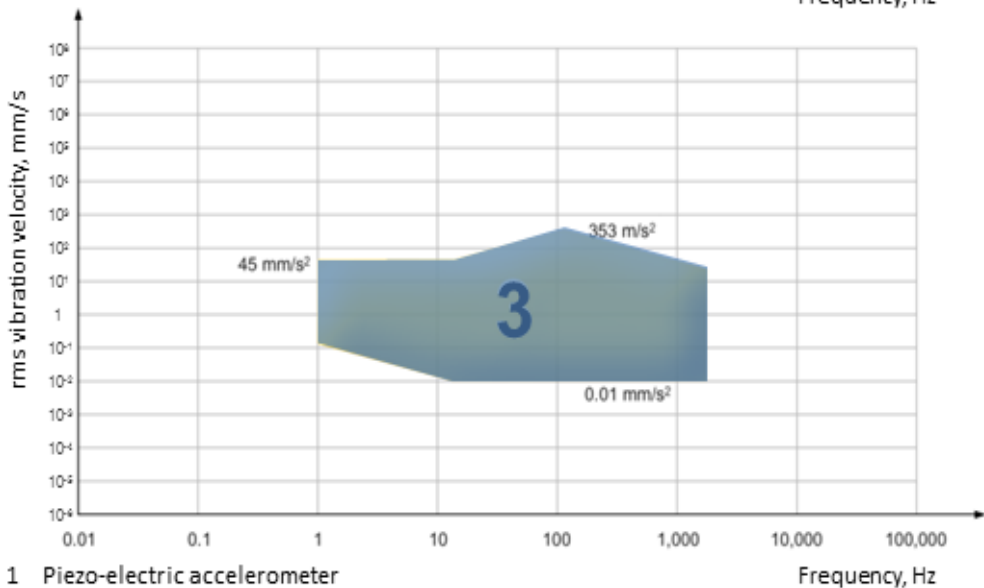
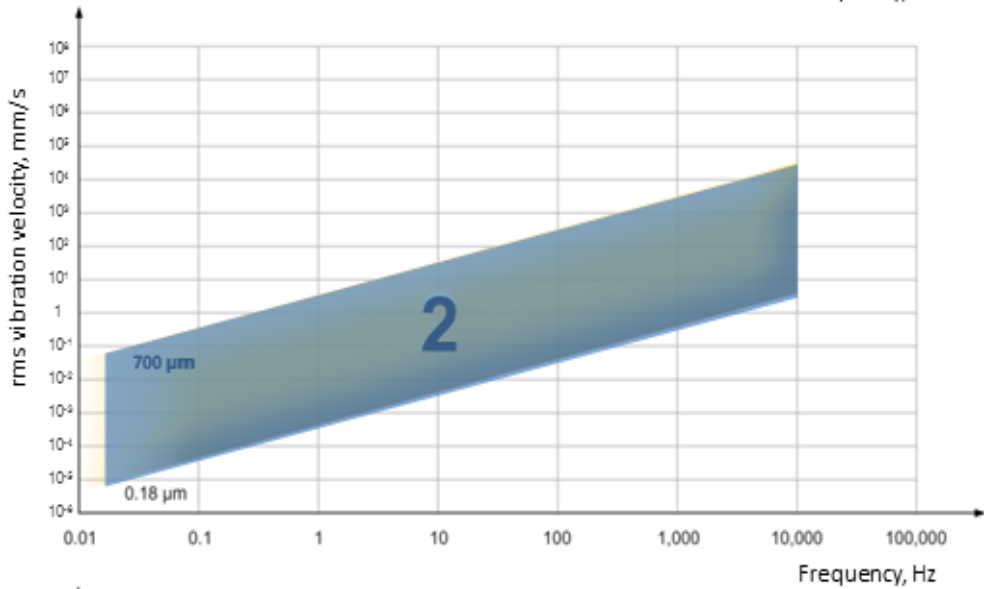
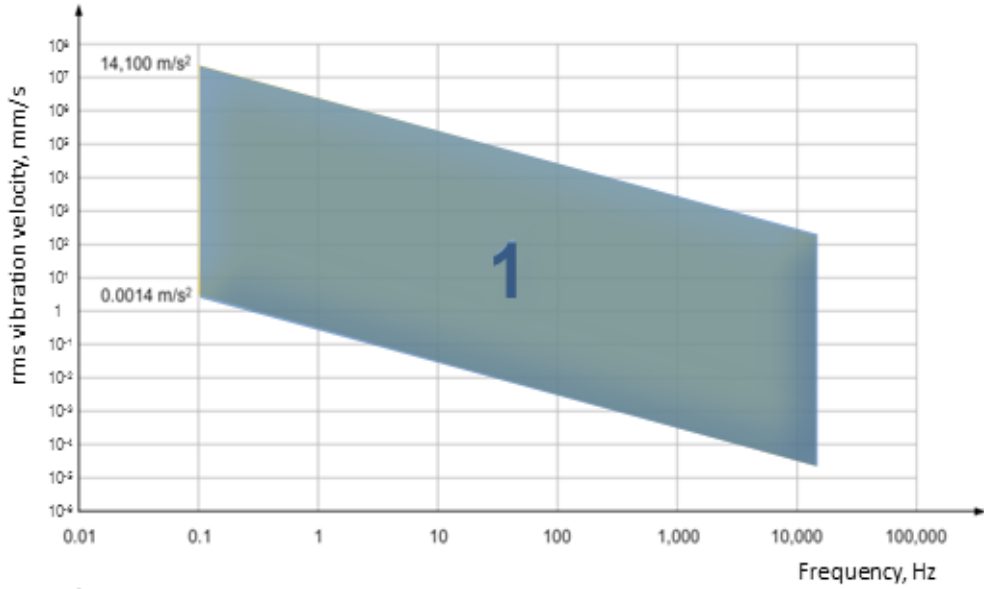
$$\text{mm}/s_{rms} = \frac{f_{cpm} \mu\text{m}_{pk-pk}}{27009}$$

$$G_{rms} = \frac{f_{cpm}^2 \mu\text{m}_{pk-pk}}{2.53 \times 10^9}$$

$$1 G_{rms} = 9.81 \text{ m}/s^2_{rms}$$

$$f_{cpm} = 60 f_{hz}$$

## Transducer effective ranges:



- 1 Piezo-electric accelerometer
- 2 Eddy-current proximity probe
- 3 Electro-mechanical velocity transducer

## Unit conversions:

Multiply	by	To get
Length, inches (in)	25.4	Millimeters (mm)
Length, Millimeters (mm)	0.0394	Inches (in)
Length, feet (ft)	12	Inches (in)
Weight, Lbf	16	Ounces (oz)
Weight, Ounces (oz)	28.3	Mass, grams (g)
Mass , Kilograms (kg)	2.2	Weight, lbf
Weight, lbf	0.45359	Mass, Kilograms (kg)
Weight lbf	1/386.088	Mass, lbm, lbf s <sup>2</sup> / in
Weight lbf	1/32.174	Mass, lbm, lbf s <sup>2</sup> / ft
Force, lbf	4.448222	Force, Newtons (N)
Mass, Kilograms (kg)	9.81 m/s <sup>2</sup>	Force, Newtons (N)
Force, Newtons (N)	0.22481	Force, lbf

**Notes:** “Pounds” (lb) or “weight in pounds” (w) refers to lbf, a unit of force. (ounces (oz)) are also a unit of force. In order to convert to lb or lbf to “mass” (m) or lbm, divide by g, where g is 32.174 ft/s<sup>2</sup> or 386.088 in/s<sup>2</sup>.  $m=W/g$

Units of mass (lbm) are: lbf s<sup>2</sup>/ft or lbf s<sup>2</sup>/in

In the metric system Newtons (N) are force and kilograms (or grams) are mass. It is technically incorrect to say something “weighs” 10 kilograms since weight is a unit of force however, this terminology is commonly used.

$W=mg = \text{Newtons (N)} = \text{kg} \times 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Vectors:**

$$V_{add_x} = A \cos \alpha + B \cos \beta$$

$$V_{add_y} = A \sin \alpha + B \sin \beta$$

$$V_{add} = \sqrt{(V_{add_x})^2 + (V_{add_y})^2}$$

$$\phi_{add} = \tan^{-1} \frac{V_{add_y}}{V_{add_x}}$$

**dB:**

$$dB = 20 \log \left( \frac{V_m}{V_r} \right)$$

$$\frac{dB_{octave}}{dB_{decade}} = \frac{\log(2)}{\log(10)} = 0.3$$

$$\frac{V_m}{V_r} = 10^{\frac{dB}{20}}$$

## Signal process and data acquisition:

$$T = T_s \times N = \frac{N}{F_s} = \frac{N}{2.56 \times F_{max}} = \frac{LOR}{F_{max}}$$

$T$  = Time required to collect the waveform

$T_s$  = Time between each sample

$N$  = Number of samples (1024, 2048, 4096, etc.)

$F_s$  = Sampling rate = Samples per second

$LOR$  = Lines Of Resolution (400, 800, 1600, etc.)

$F_{max}$  = Frequency range

$$\text{Separating frequency} \geq 2 \times \frac{F_{max}}{LOR} \times WF$$

$WF$  = Window factor = 1.0 uniform, 1.5 Hanning, 3.5 flat top window

$$T = \frac{\# \text{ revs}}{\text{Speed}} = \frac{\# \text{ events}}{\text{Forcing frequency}}$$

$T$  = Desired measurement time

$\# \text{ revs}$  = Number of shaft revolutions in time waveform

$\text{Speed}$  = Shaft speed

$\# \text{ events}$  = Machine event e.g. tooth mesh

$\text{Forcing frequency}$  = Frequency of event (e.g. gearmesh frequency)

**Unbalance force:**

$$U = m \cdot r$$

$$F = m \cdot r \cdot \omega^2 = \frac{W}{g} \cdot r \cdot \omega^2$$

$$F = M \cdot e \cdot \omega^2 = \frac{W}{g} \cdot e \cdot \omega^2$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi \frac{RPM}{60}$$

$$F_{lbf} = m_{gr} \cdot r_{in} \left( \frac{RPM}{4000} \right)^2$$

$$F_{lbf} = m_{oz} \cdot r_{in} \left( \frac{RPM}{750} \right)^2$$

$$F_{lbf} = m_{lb} \cdot r_{in} \left( \frac{RPM}{188} \right)^2$$

$U$  = Unbalance (oz-in, gr-in, gr-mm)

$F$  = Force (lbf or N)

$m$  = Mass of balance weight (lbm or kg)

$w$  = Weight of balance weight (lbf or N)

$r$  = Radius of weight (in or m)

$\omega$  = Speed of rotation rad/s

$f$  = Frequency Hz

$e$  = Eccentricity of rotor

$M$  = Mass of rotor (lbm or kg)

$W$  = Weight of rotor (lbf or N)

$g$  = 386.1 in/sec<sup>2</sup> or 9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>

$$F_{kgf} = 0.001 \cdot m_{gr} \cdot r_{mm} \left( \frac{RPM}{1000} \right)^2$$

**Calibration (trial) weights:**

$$5\% \text{ cal. wt.} = W_r \left( \frac{168}{RPM} \right)^2$$

$$10\% \text{ cal. wt.} = W_r \left( \frac{238}{RPM} \right)^2$$

$$15\% \text{ cal. wt.} = W_r \left( \frac{291}{RPM} \right)^2$$

$W_r$  = Entire weight of rotor (lb)

cal. wt. = Calibration weight (oz-in)

RPM = Rated speed

**Force:**

Spring force:

$$F = kx$$

 $F$  = Force (lbf or N) $k$  = Stiffness (lbf/in or N/m) $c$  = Damping (lbf sec/in or N sec/m) $m$  = Mass (lbf or kg)

Damping force:

$$F = c\dot{x}$$

 $x$  = Relative deflection (in or m) $\dot{x}$  = Relative velocity (in/s or m/s) $\ddot{x}$  = Acceleration (in/sec<sup>2</sup> or m/sec<sup>2</sup>)

Inertia force:

$$F = m\ddot{x}$$

$$1 N = 1 kg \frac{m}{s^2}$$

$$1 lb_f = 1 lb_m x g = 386.1 lb_m \frac{in}{s^2}$$

**Natural frequency:**

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{k g}{W}} = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\Delta}}$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \omega_n$$

$$\zeta = \frac{C_v}{C_c}$$

$$C_c = 2m\omega_n$$

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{K_t}{J}}$$

$\omega_n$  = Natural frequency

$k$  = Stiffness (lbf/in or N/m)

$m$  = Mass (lbm or kg)

$W$  = Weight (lbf or N)

$\Delta$  = Deflection (in or m)

$g$  = 386.1 in/sec<sup>2</sup> or 9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>

$\zeta$  = Damping ratio

$C_v$  = Damping (lbf sec/in or N sec/m)

$C_c$  = Critical damping

$K_t$  = Torsional spring stiffness  
(lbf-in/rad or N-m/rad)

$J$  = Polar inertia (lbf-in-s<sup>2</sup> or N-m-s<sup>2</sup>)

**Stiffness:**

$$k = \frac{W}{\Delta} = \frac{mg}{\Delta}$$

Series: 
$$\frac{1}{k_T} = \frac{1}{k_S} + \frac{1}{k_S}$$

Parallel: 
$$k_T = k_P + k_P$$

$k_S$  = Springs in series (lbf/in or N/m)

$k_P$  = Springs in parallel (lbf/in or N/m)

$k_T$  = Total stiffness (lbf/in or N/m)



## Unbalance response:

$$X = \frac{\frac{m}{M} e \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2}{\sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2\right]^2 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}$$

$X$  = Rotor response (in or m)  
 $\omega_n$  = Natural frequency  
 $\omega$  = Shaft turning frequency  
 $M$  = Mass of rotor (lbm or kg)  
 $m$  = Unbalance mass (lbm or kg)  
 $e$  = Eccentricity (radius) of mass

$$X = \frac{e \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2}{\sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2\right]^2 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}$$

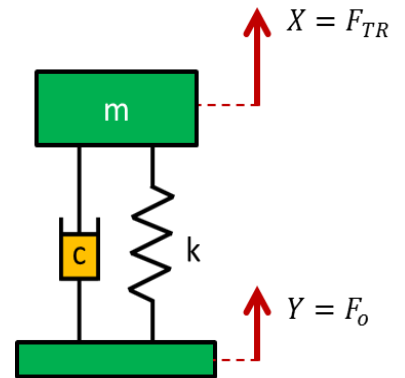
$X$  = Rotor response (in or m)  
 $\omega_n$  = Natural frequency  
 $\omega$  = Shaft turning frequency  
 $e$  = Eccentricity of rotor (in or m)

$$e = \frac{\text{quality}}{W} = \frac{\text{oz in}}{16W_{lbs}}$$

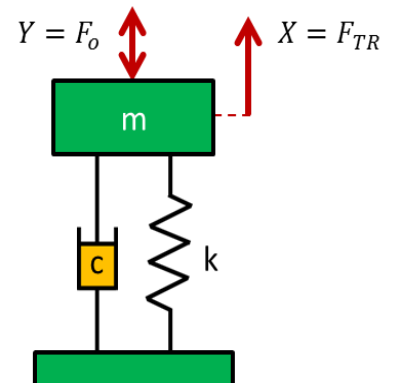
$e$  = Eccentricity of rotor (in or m)  
 $\text{quality}$  = oz-in, gr-in, gr-mm  
 $W$  = Weight of rotor  
 $W_{lbs}$  = Weight of rotor

**Transmissibility:**

$$\frac{X}{Y} = \frac{F_{TR}}{F_o} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}{\sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2\right]^2 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}$$

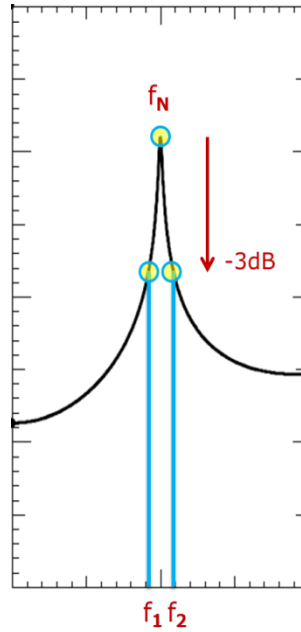
**Force response:**

$$X = \frac{\frac{F_o}{k} \sqrt{1 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}{\sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2\right]^2 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}$$

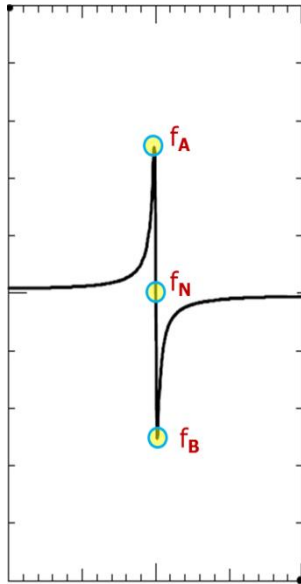


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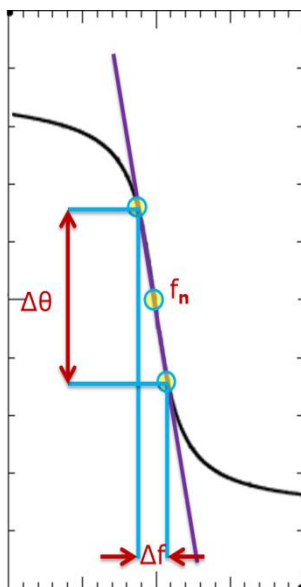
$$Q = \frac{f_N}{f_2 - f_1}$$



$$Q = \frac{f_A^2 + f_B^2}{f_B^2 - f_A^2}$$



$$Q = \frac{\pi f_n \Delta\theta}{360 \Delta f}$$



## Amplification factor:

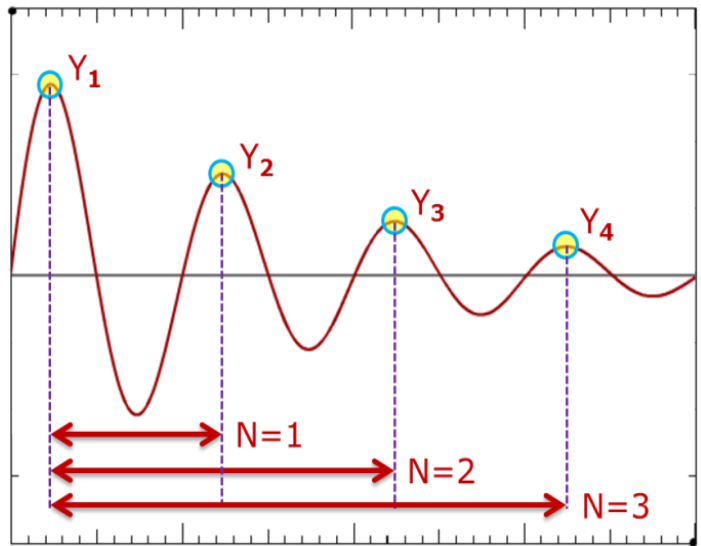
$$\delta = \frac{1}{N} \ln \left[ \frac{Y_1}{Y_{N+1}} \right]$$

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{\delta}\right)^2}}$$

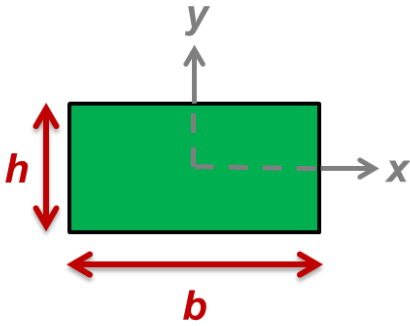
$$\zeta = \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{4\pi^2 + \delta^2}}$$

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{2Q}$$

$$\frac{X}{X_o} = Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right)^2\right]^2 + \left[2\zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}\right]^2}}$$

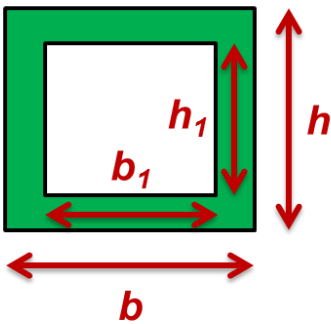


## Area moment inertia:



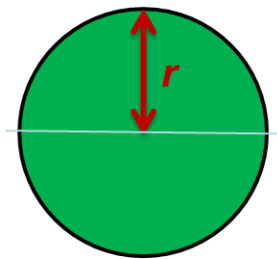
$$I_h = I_x = \frac{bh^3}{12}$$

$$I_b = I_y = \frac{hb^3}{12}$$

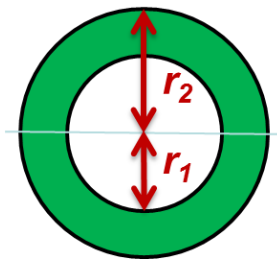


$$I_h = I_x = \frac{bh^3}{12} - \frac{b_1h_1^3}{12}$$

$$I_b = I_y = \frac{hb^3}{12} - \frac{h_1b_1^3}{12}$$



$$I_o = \frac{\pi}{4}r^4$$



$$I_o = \frac{\pi}{4}(r_2^4 - r_1^4)$$

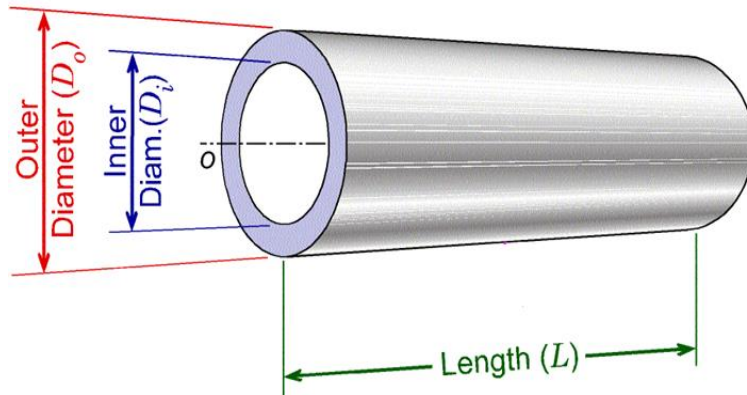
$h$  = Height (m or in)

$b$  = Width (m or in)

$r$  = Radius (m or in)

$I$  = Moment of inertia ( $m^4$  or  $in^4$ )

## Polar inertia and stiffness:



$$W = \frac{\pi \times L \times \rho}{4} (D_o^2 - D_i^2)$$

$W$  = Weight (kg)

$L$  = Length (m)

$\rho$  = Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

$D_o$  = Outer diameter (m)

$D_i$  = Inner diameter (m)

$$J_p = \frac{\pi \times L \times \rho}{32 \times G} (D_o^4 - D_i^4)$$

$J_p$  = Polar inertia (kg-m-s<sup>2</sup>)

$$I_t = \frac{J_p}{2} + \frac{\pi \times L^3 \times \rho}{48 \times G} (D_o^2 - D_i^2)$$

$I_t$  = Transverse inertia (kg-m-s<sup>2</sup>)

$$K_{ax} = \frac{\pi \times E}{4 \times L} (D_o^2 - D_i^2)$$

$K_{ax}$  = Axial stiffness (kg/m)

$E$  = Modulus of elasticity (kg/m<sup>2</sup>)

$$K_{rad} = \frac{3 \times \pi \times E}{4 \times L^3} (D_o^4 - D_i^4)$$

$K_{rad}$  = Radial stiffness (kg/m)

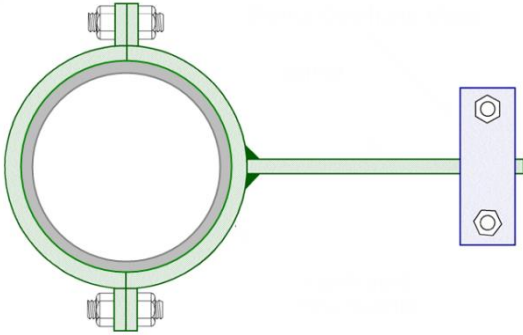
$$K_{tor} = \frac{\pi \times G_{shear}}{32 \times L} (D_o^4 - D_i^4)$$

$K_{tor}$  = Torsional stiff. (kg-m/rad)

$G_{shear}$  = Shear modulus (kg/m<sup>2</sup>)

Note: N may be used instead of kg if it is used consistently

## Tuned absorber:



$$W_m = \left[ \frac{3xGxEI}{L^3x\omega_c^2} \right] - \frac{3}{8}xW_s$$

$W_m$  = Weight of end mass (kg)

$W_s$  = Spring weight (kg)

$G = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$

$L$  = Length (m)

$\rho$  = Density ( $\text{kg/m}^3$ )

$I$  = Spring area moment of inertia

$E$  = Modulus of elasticity ( $\text{kg/m}^2$ )

## Lift check multipliers for tilting pad bearings:

Load	3 Pad	4 Pad	5 Pad	6 Pad	7 Pad
LBP	0.667 x Lift	0.707 x Lift	0.894 x Lift	0.866 x Lift	0.948 x Lift
LOP	0.667 x Lift	Lift	0.894 x Lift	Lift	0.948 x Lift

*LBP* = Load Between Pads

*LOP* = Load On Pad

*Bearing Diametric Clearance = Factor x Lift*