

## Trapezoidal screw specifications (also see pages for each screw type)

Diameter x lead	d 1 Major diameter tolerance 4 h min. max. mm		d 2 Effective or pitch dia. tolerance 7 e min. max. mm		d 3 Minor diameter tolerance 7 h min. max. mm		Thread starts	Lead angle	(1) Efficiency $\eta$ f=0.1 f=0.2		(2) H 1 mm	I Moment of inertia mm <sup>4</sup>
Tr 10 x 2	9.820	10.000	8.739	8.929	7.191	7.500	1	4°02'	0.41	0.26	1.0	131
Tr 10 x 3	9.764	10.000	8.203	8.415	6.150	6.500	1	6°25'	0.52	0.35	1.5	70
Tr 10 x 4 (P2)	9.820	10.000	8.739	8.929	7.191	7.500	2	8°03'	0.58	0.40	1.0	131
Tr 12 x 3	11.764	12.000	10.191	10.415	8.135	8.500	1	5°12'	0.47	0.31	1.5	215
Tr 12 x 6 (P3)	11.764	12.000	10.191	10.415	8.135	8.500	2	10°19'	0.63	0.46	1.5	215
Tr 14 x 3	13.764	14.000	12.191	12.415	10.135	10.500	1	4°22'	0.43	0.27	1.5	518
Tr 14 x 4	13.700	14.000	11.640	11.905	9.074	9.500	1	6°03'	0.51	0.34	2.0	333
Tr 14 x 6 (P3)	13.764	14.000	12.191	12.415	10.135	10.500	2	8°41'	0.59	0.42	1.5	518
Tr 16 x 4	15.700	16.000	13.640	13.905	11.074	11.500	1	5°12'	0.47	0.31	2.0	738
Tr 16 x 8 (P4)	15.700	16.000	13.640	13.905	11.074	11.500	2	10°19'	0.63	0.46	2.0	738
Tr 18 x 4	17.700	18.000	15.640	15.905	13.074	13.500	1	4°33'	0.44	0.28	2.0	1434
Tr 18 x 8 (P4)	17.700	18.000	15.640	15.905	13.074	13.500	2	9°02'	0.60	0.43	2.0	1434
Tr 20 x 4	19.700	20.000	17.640	17.905	15.074	15.500	1	4°03'	0.41	0.26	2.0	2534
Tr 20 x 8 (P4)	19.700	20.000	17.640	17.905	15.074	15.500	2	8°03'	0.58	0.40	2.0	2534
Tr 20 x 20 (P4)	19.700	20.000	17.640	17.905	15.074	15.500	5	19°28'	0.75	0.59	2.0	2534
Tr 20 x 20 (P5)	19.665	20.000	17.114	17.394	14.044	14.500	4	20°00'	0.76	0.60	2.5	1910
Tr 22 x 5	21.665	22.000	19.114	19.394	16.044	16.500	1	4°40'	0.45	0.28	2.5	3232
Tr 22 x 10 (P5)	21.665	22.000	19.114	19.394	16.044	16.500	2	9°16'	0.61	0.43	2.5	3232
Tr 24 x 5	23.665	24.000	21.094	21.394	18.019	18.500	1	4°14'	0.42	0.27	2.5	5175
Tr 24 x 10 (P5)	23.665	24.000	21.094	21.394	18.019	18.500	2	8°25'	0.59	0.41	2.5	5175
Tr 25 x 3	24.764	25.000	23.165	23.415	21.103	21.500	1	2°20'	0.29	0.17	1.5	9735
Tr 25 x 5	24.665	25.000	22.094	22.394	19.019	19.500	1	4°03'	0.41	0.26	2.5	6423
Tr 25 x 10 (P5)	24.665	25.000	22.094	22.394	19.019	19.500	2	8°03'	0.58	0.40	2.5	6423
Tr 25 x 25 (P5)	24.665	25.000	22.094	22.394	19.019	19.500	5	19°30'	0.75	0.60	2.5	6423
Tr 26 x 5	25.665	26.000	23.094	23.394	20.019	20.500	1	3°52'	0.40	0.25	2.5	7884
Tr 26 x 10 (P5)	25.665	26.000	23.094	23.394	20.019	20.500	2	7°42'	0.57	0.39	2.5	7884
Tr 28 x 5	27.665	28.000	25.094	25.394	22.019	22.500	1	3°34'	0.38	0.23	2.5	11539
Tr 28 x 10 (P5)	27.665	28.000	25.094	25.394	22.019	22.500	2	7°07'	0.55	0.37	2.5	11539
Tr 30 x 3	29.764	30.000	28.165	28.415	26.103	26.500	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	1.5	22900
Tr 30 x 4	29.700	30.000	27.640	27.905	25.074	25.500	1	2°36'	0.31	0.18	2.0	19400
Tr 30 x 5	29.665	30.000	27.094	27.394	24.019	24.500	1	3°19'	0.36	0.22	2.5	16340
Tr 30 x 6	29.625	30.000	26.547	26.882	22.463	23.000	1	4°03'	0.41	0.26	3.0	13650
Tr 30 x 12 (P6)	29.625	30.000	26.547	26.882	22.463	23.000	2	8°03'	0.58	0.40	3.0	13650
Tr 30 x 30 (P5)	29.665	30.000	27.094	27.394	24.019	24.500	6	19°09'	0.75	0.59	2.5	16340
Tr 32 x 6	31.625	32.000	28.547	28.882	24.463	25.000	1	3°46'	0.39	0.24	3.0	17580
Tr 32 x 12 (P6)	31.625	32.000	28.547	28.882	24.463	25.000	2	7°30'	0.56	0.38	3.0	17580
Tr 35 x 3	34.764	35.000	33.165	33.415	31.103	31.500	1	1°38'	0.22	0.12	1.5	46128
Tr 35 x 4	34.700	35.000	32.640	32.905	30.074	30.500	1	2°13'	0.28	0.16	2.0	40150
Tr 35 x 5	34.665	35.000	32.094	32.394	29.019	29.500	1	2°48'	0.33	0.19	2.5	34810
Tr 35 x 6	34.625	35.000	31.547	31.882	27.463	28.000	1	3°25'	0.37	0.23	3.0	30000
Tr 35 x 8	34.550	35.000	30.493	30.868	25.399	26.000	1	4°42'	0.45	0.29	4.0	21980
Tr 36 x 6	35.625	36.000	32.547	32.882	28.463	29.000	1	3°19'	0.36	0.22	3.0	34540
Tr 36 x 12 (P6)	35.625	36.000	32.547	32.882	28.463	29.000	2	6°36'	0.53	0.36	3.0	34540

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Tr 40 x 3	39.764	40.000	38.165	38.415	36.103	36.500	1	1°25'	0.20	0.11	1.5	83395
Tr 40 x 4	39.700	40.000	37.640	37.905	35.074	35.500	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	2.0	74290
Tr 40 x 5	39.665	40.000	37.094	37.394	34.019	34.500	1	2°26'	0.30	0.17	2.5	65740
Tr 40 x 6	39.625	40.000	36.547	36.882	32.463	33.000	1	2°57'	0.34	0.20	3.0	57950
Tr 40 x 7	39.575	40.000	36.020	36.375	31.431	32.000	1	3°30'	0.38	0.23	3.5	51030
Tr 40 x 8	39.550	40.000	35.493	35.868	30.399	31.000	1	4°03'	0.41	0.26	4.0	44560
Tr 40 x 10	39.470	40.000	34.450	34.850	28.350	29.000	1	5°12'	0.47	0.31	5.0	31700
Tr 40 x 14 (P7)	39.575	40.000	36.020	36.375	31.431	32.000	2	6°58'	0.54	0.37	3.5	51030
Tr 40 x 40 (P8)	39.550	40.000	35.493	35.868	30.399	31.000	5	19°30'	0.75	0.60	4.0	44560
Tr 44 x 7	43.575	44.000	40.020	40.375	35.431	36.000	1	3°09'	0.35	0.21	3.5	81820
Tr 45 x 8	44.550	45.000	40.493	40.868	35.399	36.000	1	3°33'	0.38	0.23	4.0	81245
Tr 50 x 3	49.764	50.000	48.150	48.415	46.084	46.500	1	1°08'	0.16	0.09	1.5	121400
Tr 50 x 4	49.700	50.000	47.605	47.905	45.074	45.500	1	1°31'	0.21	0.12	2.0	202600
Tr 50 x 5	49.665	50.000	47.094	47.394	44.019	44.500	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	2.5	184300
Tr 50 x 6	49.625	50.000	46.547	46.882	42.463	43.000	1	2°20'	0.29	0.17	3.0	167240
Tr 50 x 8	49.550	50.000	45.468	45.868	40.368	41.000	1	3°10'	0.35	0.21	4.0	136930
Tr 50 x 10	49.470	50.000	44.425	44.850	38.319	39.000	1	4°03'	0.41	0.26	5.0	105834
Tr 55 x 9	54.500	55.000	49.935	50.360	44.329	45.000	1	3°15'	0.36	0.22	4.5	189550
Tr 60 x 6	59.625	60.000	56.547	56.882	52.463	53.000	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	3.0	386240
Tr 60 x 7	59.575	60.000	56.020	56.375	51.431	52.000	1	2°16'	0.28	0.16	3.5	343450
Tr 60 x 9	59.500	60.000	54.935	55.360	49.329	50.000	1	2°57'	0.34	0.20	4.5	302600
Tr 70 x 10	69.470	70.000	64.425	64.850	58.319	59.000	1	2°48'	0.33	0.19	5.0	587540
Tr 80 x 10	79.470	80.000	74.425	74.850	68.319	69.000	1	2°26'	0.30	0.17	5.0	1069390
Tr 90 x 12	89.400	90.000	83.335	83.830	76.246	77.000	1	2°36'	0.31	0.18	6.0	1658969
Tr 95 x 16	94.290	95.000	86.250	86.810	76.110	77.000	1	3°21'	0.37	0.22	8.0	1647164
Tr 100 x 12	99.400	100.000	93.330	93.830	86.215	87.000	1	2°19'	0.29	0.17	6.0	2712072
Tr 100 x 16	99.290	100.000	91.250	91.810	81.110	82.000	1	3°10'	0.35	0.21	8.0	2124553
Tr 120 x 14	119.330	120.000	112.290	112.820	103.157	104.00	1	2°16'	0.28	0.16	7.0	5558591
Tr 120 x 16	119.290	120.000	111.250	111.810	101.110	102.00	1	2°36'	0.31	0.16	8.0	5130342
Tr 140 x 14	139.330	140.000	132.290	132.820	123.157	124.00	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	7.0	11292921
Tr 160 x 16	159.290	160.000	151.250	151.810	141.110	142.00	1	1°55'	0.25	0.14	8.0	19462609

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Diameter x lead	D 4 Major diameter tolerance H		D 2 Effective or pitch dia. tolerance 7 H		D 1 Minor diameter tolerance 4 H		Thread starts	Radial play between screw & nut		Axial play between screw & nut	
	min. mm	max. mm	min. mm	max. mm	min. mm	max. mm		min.	max.	min.	max.
Tr 10 x 2	10.500		9.000	9.250	8.000	8.236	1	0.071	0.511	0.019	0.137
Tr 10 x 3	10.500		8.500	8.780	7.000	7.315	1	0.085	0.577	0.023	0.155
Tr 10 x 4 (P2)	10.500		9.000	9.250	8.000	8.236	2	0.071	0.511	0.019	0.137
Tr 12 x 3	12.500		10.500	10.800	9.000	9.315	1	0.085	0.609	0.023	0.163
Tr 12 x 6 (P3)	12.500		10.500	10.800	9.000	9.315	2	0.085	0.609	0.023	0.163
Tr 14 x 3	14.500		12.500	12.800	11.000	11.315	1	0.085	0.609	0.023	0.163
Tr 14 x 4	14.500		12.000	12.355	10.000	10.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 14 x 6 (P3)	14.500		12.500	12.800	11.000	11.315	2	0.085	0.609	0.023	0.163
Tr 16 x 4	16.500		14.000	14.355	12.000	12.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 16 x 8 (P4)	16.500		14.000	14.355	12.000	12.375	2	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 18 x 4	18.500		16.000	16.355	14.000	14.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 18 x 8 (P4)	18.500		16.000	16.355	14.000	14.375	2	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 20 x 4	20.500		18.000	18.355	16.000	16.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 20 x 8 (P4)	20.500		18.000	18.355	16.000	16.375	2	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 20 x 20 (P5)	20.500		17.500	17.875	15.000	15.450	4	0.106	0.761	0.028	0.204
Tr 22 x 5	22.500		19.500	19.875	17.000	17.450	1	0.106	0.761	0.028	0.204
Tr 22 x 10 (P5)	22.500		19.500	19.875	17.000	17.450	2	0.106	0.761	0.028	0.204
Tr 24 x 5	24.500		21.500	21.900	19.000	19.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 24 x 10 (P5)	24.500		21.500	21.900	19.000	19.450	2	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 25 x 3	25.500		23.500	23.835	22.000	22.315	1	0.085	0.670	0.023	0.180
Tr 25 x 5	25.500		22.500	22.900	20.000	20.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 25 x 10 (P5)	25.500		22.500	22.900	20.000	20.450	2	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 25 x 25 (P5)	25.500		22.500	22.900	20.000	20.450	5	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 26 x 5	26.500		23.500	23.900	21.000	21.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 26 x 10 (P5)	26.500		23.500	23.900	21.000	21.450	2	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 28 x 5	28.500		25.500	25.900	23.000	23.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 28 x 10 (P5)	28.500		25.500	25.900	23.000	23.450	2	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 30 x 3	30.500		28.500	28.835	27.000	27.315	1	0.085	0.670	0.023	0.180
Tr 30 x 4	30.500		28.000	28.855	26.000	26.375	1	0.095	1.215	0.025	0.326
Tr 30 x 5	30.500		27.500	27.900	25.000	25.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 30 x 6	31.000		27.000	27.450	24.000	24.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 30 x 12 (P6)	31.000		27.000	27.450	24.000	24.500	2	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 30 x 30 (P5)	30.500		27.500	27.900	25.000	25.450	6	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 32 x 6	33.000		29.000	29.450	26.000	26.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 32 x 12 (P6)	33.000		29.000	29.450	26.000	26.500	2	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 35 x 3	35.500		33.500	33.835	32.000	32.315	1	0.085	0.670	0.023	0.180
Tr 35 x 4	35.500		33.000	33.355	31.000	31.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 35 x 5	25.500		32.500	32.900	30.000	30.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 35 x 6	36.000		32.000	32.450	29.000	29.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 35 x 8	36.000		31.000	31.500	27.000	27.630	1	0.132	1.007	0.035	0.270
Tr 36 x 6	37.000		33.000	33.450	30.000	30.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 36 x 12 (P6)	37.000		33.000	33.450	30.000	30.500	2	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242

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	min.	max.	min.	max.	min.	max.		min.	max.	min.	max.
	mm		mm		mm						
Tr 40 x 3	40.500		38.500	38.835	37.000	37.315	1	0.085	0.670	0.023	0.180
Tr 40 x 4	40.500		38.000	38.355	36.000	36.375	1	0.095	0.715	0.025	0.192
Tr 40 x 5	40.500		37.500	37.900	35.000	35.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 40 x 6	41.000		37.000	37.450	34.000	34.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 40 x 7	41.000		36.500	36.975	33.000	33.560	1	0.125	0.955	0.033	0.256
Tr 40 x 8	41.000		36.000	36.500	32.000	32.630	1	0.132	1.007	0.035	0.270
Tr 40 x 10	41.000		35.000	35.530	30.000	30.710	1	0.150	1.080	0.040	0.289
Tr 40 x 14 (P7)	41.000		36.500	36.975	33.000	33.560	2	0.125	0.955	0.033	0.256
Tr 40 x 40 (P8)	41.000		36.000	36.500	32.000	32.630	5	0.132	1.007	0.035	0.270
Tr 44 x 7	45.000		40.500	40.975	37.000	37.560	1	0.125	0.955	0.033	0.256
Tr 45 x 8	46.000		41.000	41.500	37.000	37.630	1	0.132	1.007	0.035	0.270
Tr 50 x 3	50.500		48.500	48.855	47.000	47.315	1	0.085	0.705	0.023	0.189
Tr 50 x 4	50.500		48.000	48.400	46.000	46.375	1	0.095	0.795	0.025	0.213
Tr 50 x 5	50.500		47.500	47.900	45.000	45.450	1	0.106	0.806	0.028	0.216
Tr 50 x 6	51.000		47.000	47.450	44.000	44.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 50 x 8	51.000		46.000	46.530	42.000	42.630	1	0.132	1.062	0.035	0.285
Tr 50 x 10	51.000		45.000	45.560	40.000	40.710	1	0.150	1.135	0.040	0.304
Tr 55 x 9	56.000		50.500	51.060	46.000	46.670	1	0.140	1.125	0.038	0.301
Tr 60 x 6	61.000		57.000	57.450	54.000	54.500	1	0.118	0.903	0.032	0.242
Tr 60 x 7	61.000		56.500	56.975	53.000	53.560	1	0.125	0.955	0.033	0.256
Tr 60 x 9	61.000		55.500	56.060	51.000	51.670	1	0.140	1.125	0.038	0.301
Tr 70 x 10	71.000		65.000	65.560	60.000	60.710	1	0.150	1.135	0.040	0.304
Tr 80 x 10	81.000		75.000	75.560	70.000	70.710	1	0.150	1.135	0.040	0.304
Tr 90 x 12	91.000		84.000	84.630	78.000	78.800	1	0.170	1.295	0.046	0.347
Tr 95 x 16	97.000		87.000	87.750	79.000	80.000	1	0.190	1.500	0.051	0.402
Tr 100 x 12	101.000		94.000	94.670	88.000	88.800	1	0.170	1.340	0.046	0.359
Tr 100 x 16	102.000		92.000	92.750	84.000	85.000	1	0.190	1.500	0.051	0.402
Tr 120 x 14	122.000		113.000	113.710	106.00	106.900	1	0.180	1.420	0.048	0.380
Tr 120 x 16	122.000		112.000	112.750	104.00	105.000	1	0.190	1.500	0.051	0.402
Tr 140 x 14	142.000		133.000	133.710	126.00	126.900	1	0.180	1.420	0.048	0.380
Tr 160 x 16	162.000		152.000	152.750	144.00	145.000	1	0.190	1.500	0.051	0.402

## General choice criteria

The choice between different types of screws and nuts available is generally carried out in light of the following considerations:

### Choice of the screw

#### Working environment

For work environments where there are no particular corrosive or oxidizing agents C45 screws can be used. Where these conditions are not met, we recommend using stainless steel screws A2 or A4 which are particularly suitable in the following cases:

- With relative humidity of 70/80% and above.
- Immersed in water, even in sea water.
- In presence of particular corrosive agents such as chlorides. In case of highly corrosive agents please contact our Technical Department.
- Where, due to special construction requirements, components must not oxidise, for example in the food industry, where they are coupled with nuts HDA.
- Where screws can not be reached for lubrication. In particular, for lubricating “maintenance free” fittings they are coupled with plastic nuts.
- Where working temperature is relatively high because the stainless steel A2 and A4 feature a relatively high slag temperature due to the austenitic structure of the material.

#### Positioning accuracy

For positioning screws it is necessary to have the control of the error of the thread pitch. We provide customer screws with accuracy class 50 (50 µm/300 mm), 100 (100 µm/300 mm) and screws with class 200 (200 µm/300 mm) both in C45 and stainless steel A2. For standard carriage lead screws class 200 ones can be used.

#### Irreversibility

The complete irreversibility occurs with trapezoidal screw with helix angle  $< 2^{\circ} 30'$ .

In all other cases, torque may be transmitted to the drive gear in a still screw condition subject to a load on the nut (especially under vibration). However, a good irreversibility is present up to 5 or 6 degrees.

### Choice of the nut

#### Working environment

Materials used for the production of nuts, available to customers, both in bronze and stainless steel 303, are resistant to standard oxidizing agents that occur in various applications of the trapezoidal screws/nuts. In the presence of corrosive agents please contact our Technical Department directly.

**In applications where the presence of added lubricant (grease or oil) is not allowed we recommend the use of self lubricating plastic nuts.**

**The use of plastics is very constrained by the actual working conditions, therefore you may need to study the problem together with our technical department, and not rely on a choice based on intuition only. This is because plastics have sometimes excellent self-lubrication features, but have, at the same time, restrictions on the working temperature or moisture absorption problems as well as some mechanical properties that may not be suitable for the intended use. The preliminary study of the application, in such cases, is therefore required to achieve positive and satisfying results.**

## General sizing criteria

The actual sizing of a trapezoidal screw/nut couple must be done considering the following three points:

1. sizing to wear
2. sizing the critical bending load
3. sizing to the critical speed

In order to obtain a good working condition couple screw/nut, all three points above must be respected when sizing.

### Sizing to wear

The coupling screw/nut system has been used for a long time in a number of applications for transforming rotary motion into linear motion. The total power applied to the screw ( $P_t$ ) is returned as usable power ( $P_u$ ) to the nut. The ratio  $P_u / P_t = \eta$  defines the efficiency of the system which depends, basically, on the friction coefficient between the contacting surfaces of the screw and the nut as well as the angle of helix of the thread. We are in the presence of sliding friction therefore we have some of the power that is converted into heat every time we make a movement. Just looking into this sliding friction parameters can be given to evaluate the functioning of the coupling. The criterion is to limit the contact surface pressure on the flank of the thread to allow a gentle glide between the two surfaces to avoid therefore heavy friction that erodes the material of the nut. The product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is also limited ( $p$  = contact surface pressure and  $V_{st}$  = sliding speed on the average diameter of the thread) in order to limit the power that is dissipated in heat. This helps to reduce the temperature of the surfaces in contact. This limitation is important to avoid lubricant damages if bronze nuts are used, whether using self-lubricating plastic nuts, without the addition of further oil or grease, temperature should be checked as at higher temperatures we will have minor values of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  admissible.

### Calculation of the contact surface pressure "p"

The contact surface pressure "p" is calculated using the following formula:

$$(1) \quad p = \frac{F}{A_t}$$

$F$  = Axial Force [N]  
 $A_t$  = Total bearing surface between the teeth of the nut and the screw in the plane perpendicular to the axis. [mm<sup>2</sup>]

$$(2) \quad A_t = \pi \cdot d_m \cdot Z \cdot H_1$$

$d_m$  = mean diameter of the thread [mm]  
 $H_1$  = support radial size between the teeth of the screw and the nut [mm]  
 $Z$  = n° of gripping teeth

$$Z = \frac{h_{\text{nut}} [\text{mm}]}{\left( \frac{\text{real-pitch} [\text{mm}]}{n^\circ \text{ starts}} \right)}$$

For standard nuts each  $A_t$  value has been reported into the tables.

### Calculation of the sliding speed "Vst"

The sliding speed is calculated using one of the following formulas:

- if round speed of the screw has already been defined:

$$(3) \quad V_{st} = \frac{n \cdot P}{1000 \cdot \sin \alpha}$$

$n$  = round speed per minute  $\left[ \frac{\text{round}}{\text{min.}} \right]$   
 $P$  = thread pitch [mm]  
 $\alpha$  = thread helix angle

- if we have already established at which speed the nut must move:

$$(4) \quad V_{st} = \frac{V_{tr}}{\sin \alpha}$$

$V_{st}$  = sliding speed on mean diameter. [m/min]  
 $V_{tr}$  = motion speed [m/min]  
 $\alpha$  = thread helix angle

Please note that the screw round speed and the moving speed are bounded as follows:

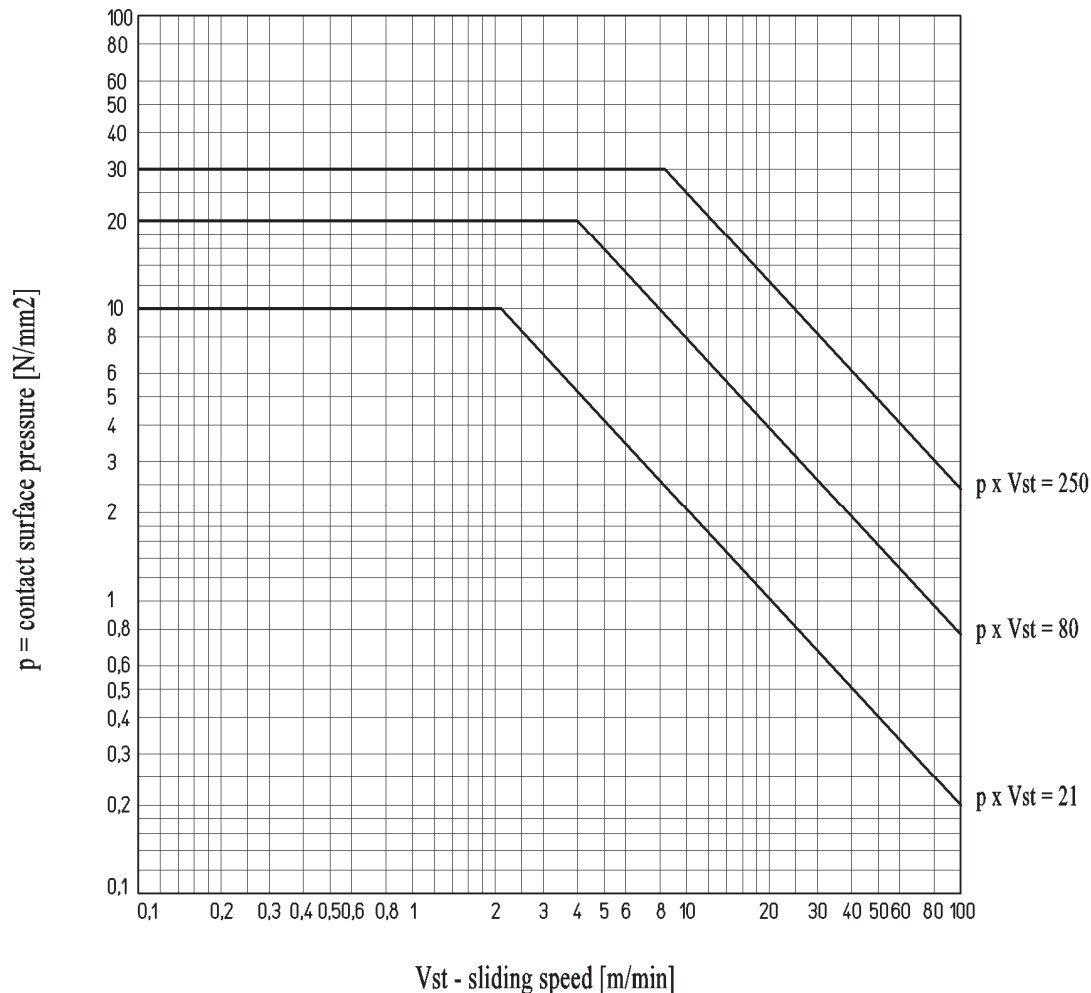
$$(5) \quad n = \frac{1000 \cdot V_{tr}}{P}$$

$n$  = round speed per minute  
 $V_{tr}$  = motion speed [m/min]  
 $P$  = thread pitch [mm]

## Bronze nut sizing

As per the bronze nut, the study of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  allows you to plot the graph N.1 where three areas are highlighted, each of which is characterized by certain working conditions that in terms of smoothness of the surfaces in contact allow us to make evaluations based on experimental results previously obtained. A good lubrication is always necessary, possibly with oil. With little or no lubrication working condition may vary greatly.

**Graph N° 1 – Sliding condition for Bronze**



**Area A :** area A is enclosed by the limit  $p \cdot V_{st} = 21$  [N/mm<sup>2</sup> • m/min]

In this area, the operation is in the best conditions.

"Continuous service" is possible as the amount of heat produced within these limits  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is pretty low. Therefore the life of the nut is very good.

**Area B :** area B is enclosed by the limit  $p \cdot V_{st} = 80$  [N/mm<sup>2</sup> • m/min]

In this area, the operation is in more severe conditions.

Sliding conditions are as such that a steady lubrication is required to contain the erosion of the bronze so you still have good values of the life of the nut. "Continuous service" is possible for limited period only as the amount of heat produced is as such to produce an overheating of the nut, also depending from the real amount of oil used as this, lubrication apart, helps reducing heat.

Life of the nut is however limited.

**Area C :** area C is enclosed by the limit  $p \cdot V_{st} = 250$  [N/mm<sup>2</sup> • m/min]

In this area, the operation is in very heavy conditions.

With these values of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  "continuous service" is certainly not possible. Even with good lubrication we face to a great overheating and a very quick nut wear off because the friction between the surfaces in contact is as such to cause a rapid corrosion of the nut.



## General considerations for bronze nuts

In all three working conditions described, the bronze nut wear off is greatly affected by the real lubricating condition during operation. Giving acceptable reference values is therefore impossible during the project of the life of the nut. Pay particular attention to those applications where working room temperature is above 140/150°C, as such temperatures may damage the lubricant with consequent deterioration of operating conditions and lifetime. In such cases we recommend the use of lubricants designed to withstand high temperatures.

### Safety factor for the forces of inertia "*f<sub>i</sub>*"

During the sizing process we must also check that the inertia forces present during acceleration and deceleration are relatively low so that the value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  remains within the controlled limits. Whereas this calculation is difficult, in the presence of a non-uniform movement or under great variations, safety factors reported in Chart. N°1 must be considered.

**Chart. N° 1: Safety factors with respect to the forces of inertia**

Load Type	<i>f<sub>i</sub></i>
Loads with constant ramps of acc. / dec. controlled	from 1 to 0,5
Loads with constant start and stop at tear	from 0,5 to 0,33
Loads and speed greatly variable	from 0,33 to 0,25
Loads in presence of shocks and vibrations	from 0,25 to 0,17

The coefficient "*f<sub>i</sub>*" is used to correct the value of the product " $(p \cdot V_{st})_{max}$ " derived from the graph N° 1, considering the maximum admissible sliding speed to the value of the contact surface pressure related to the real case in exam. Working "area" limits (A, B or C) must be considered.

To calculate  $p \cdot V_{st}$  related to the case in exam admissible the following (6) must be used

$$(6) \quad p \cdot V_{st \text{ am}} = (p \cdot V_{st})_{max} \cdot f_i$$



## Example of calculation with bronze nut

Size to wear a bronze nut which must operate in continuous service remaining within the maximum limit value of  $p \cdot V_{st} = 21$  (Area A), with good lubrication.

Constant axial load without relevant variations, with forces of inertia limited by controlled ramps of acceleration/deceleration.

Axial load  $F = 1200 \text{ N}$  (1 Kg  $f = 9,81\text{N}$ )  
 Constant motion speed  $V_{tr} = 2,8 \text{ m/min}$   
 Evaluation of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  using a nut FTN 30 AR (bronze flanged nut with thread Tr 30x6 1 start, right)

Contact surface pressure is calculated with (1) (see page 57)

$$p = \frac{F}{A_t} = \frac{1200 \text{ [N]}}{2120 \text{ [mm}^2\text{]}} = 0,57 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right]$$

$F = \text{Axial Force [N]}$   
 $A_t = \text{Total bearing surface between the teeth of the screws and the nuts in the plane perpendicular to the axis [mm}^2\text{]}$

The sliding speed is calculated with (4) (see page 57)

$$V_{st} = \frac{V_{tr}}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{2,8 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]}{\sin 4^\circ 03'}$$

$$V_{st} \cong 39,6 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

$V_{tr} = \text{motion speed} \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$   
 $\alpha = \text{thread helix angle}$

The value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is:

$$p \cdot V_{st} = 0,57 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right] \cdot 39,6 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cong 22,57 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

In order to remain within the continuous working conditions, corrected by the safety factor  $f_i$  from table N° 1, in this case  $=0,77$ , the maximum admissible value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is (6) (see page 59)

$$p \cdot V_{st \text{ am}} = (p \cdot V_{st})_{\max} \cdot f_i = 21 \cdot 0,77 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

$$p \cdot V_{st \text{ am}} = 16,15 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

As the maximum admissible value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is lower than the value obtained with a nut FTN 30 AR, we shall try using a nut HDL 30 AR (bronze flanged nut with 3xTr length, Tr 30x6 thread, right)

The contact surface pressure is (1) (see page 57)

$$p = \frac{F}{A_t} = \frac{1200 \text{ [N]}}{2120 \text{ [mm}^2\text{]}} = 0,57 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right]$$

$F = \text{Axial Force [N]}$   
 $A_t = \text{Total bearing surface between the teeth of the screws and the nuts in the plane perpendicular to the axis [mm}^2\text{]}$

The sliding speed remains the same as the previous calculation

$$V_{st} = 39,6 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

The value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is now:

$$p \cdot V_{st} = 0,31 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right] \cdot 39,6 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cong 12,28 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

The value obtained is now lower than the admissible one, therefore the HDL 30 AR is chosen.

## Plastic Nuts sizing

In applications where silence is important or where lubrication is not allowed (grease or oil), self lubricating plastic nuts are recommended. The use of plastics is very constrained by the actual working conditions, therefore we do suggest studying the problem together with our technical office and not relying on a choice based only on intuition. This is because plastic materials have sometimes great features such as low friction and self-lubrication, but at the same time limitations caused by operating temperatures, hygroscopic problems, or some mechanical features that may not be suitable for the intended use. An advanced study of the application in this case is therefore required in order to obtain positive and satisfying results.

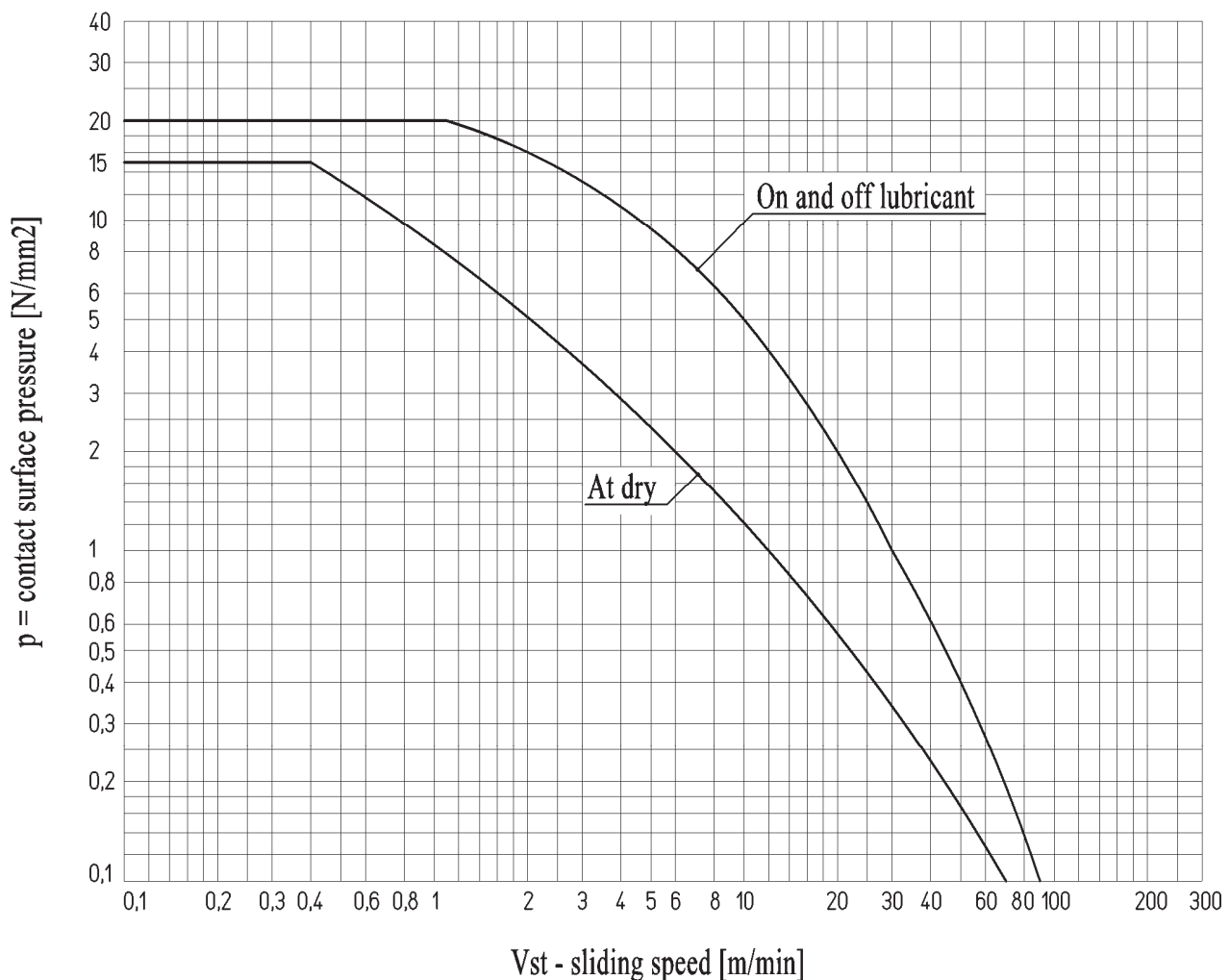
Regarding the plastic nuts, the study of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  allows you to draw a chart which describes a curve that limits the values of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  within which we have a gentle flow of the surfaces in contact with limited wearing of the nut and constant in time. Operating outside the limit drawn on the chart is not possible as in this case we would have a quick wearing of the nut following the surface erosion caused by the contact with the screw.

## Cylindrical nut MPH

Graph N° 2 shows the limit of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  of the cylindrical nut MPH. As this plastic is resistant to wear but not self-lubricant, drawing the limit curve relating to material used in dry conditions and material lubricated intermittently has been necessary.

### Graph N° 2 – Sliding condition for nuts MPH

Test condition: - continuous operation - temperature 23°C – relative humidity approx 50%



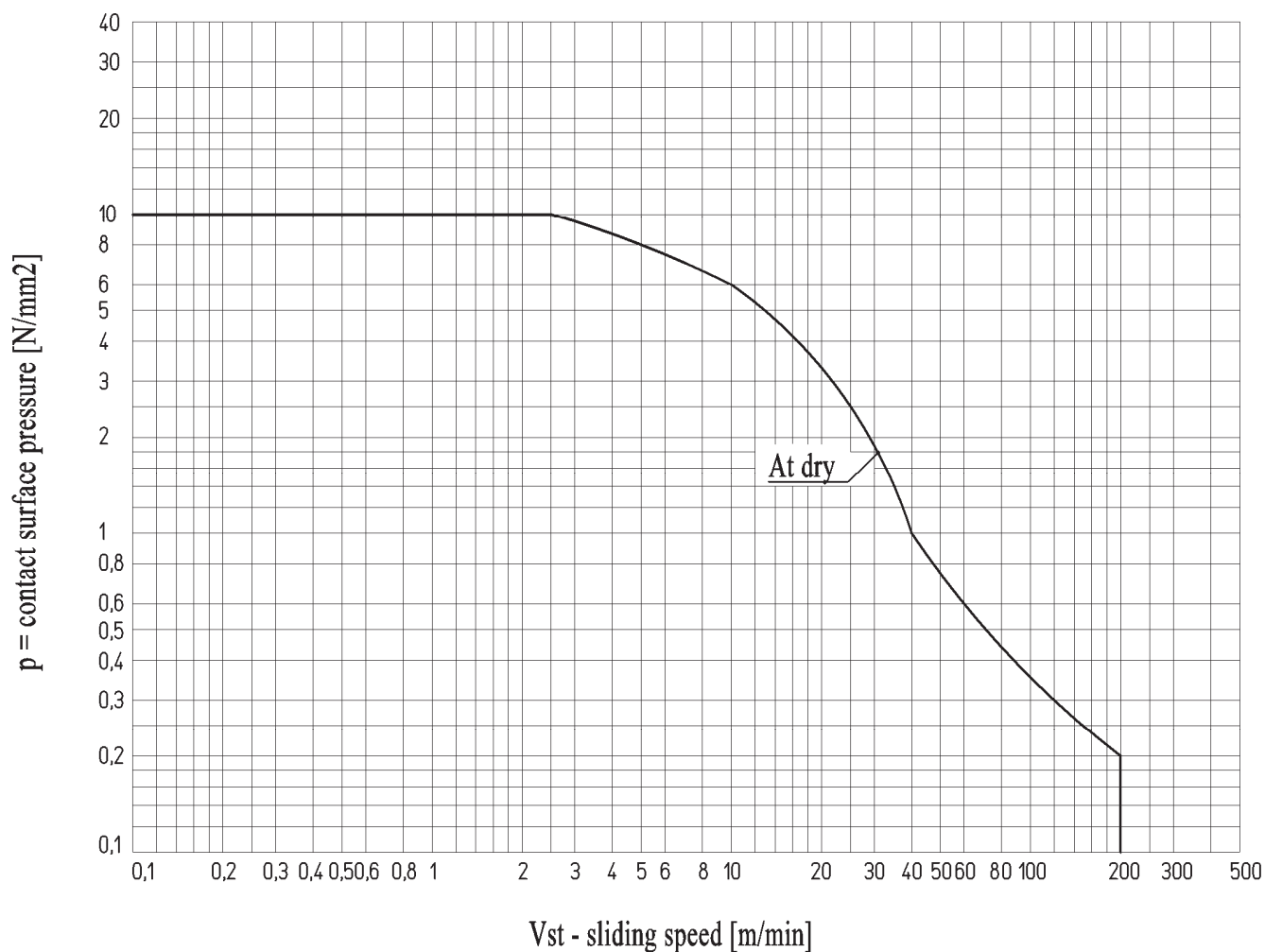
## Self-lubricating plastic flanged nut with 3xTr length FCS

Graph N° 3 shows the limit of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  of the nut FCS. The plastic used for the FCS features a strong resistance to wear and a complete self-lubricating property.

**Prior using the FCS, please read what stated on page 50.**

### Graph N° 3 Sliding conditions for nuts in self-lubricating plastic FCS

Test conditions: - continuous operation - temperature 23°C – relative humidity approx 50% with no lubrication



## General considerations for plastic nuts

The use of plastics is very constrained by the actual working conditions, therefore you may need to study the problem together with our technical department, and not rely on a choice based on intuition only. This is because plastics have sometimes excellent self-lubrication features, but have, at the same time, restrictions on the working temperature or moisture absorption problems as well as some mechanical properties that may not be suitable for the intended use. The preliminary study of the application, in such cases, is therefore required to achieve positive and satisfying results.

### Safety factor for the forces of inertia " $f_i$ "

During the sizing process we must also check that the inertia forces present during acceleration and deceleration are relatively low so that the value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  remains within the controlled limits. Whereas this calculation is difficult, in the presence of a non-uniform movement or under great variations, safety factors reported in Chart. N°2 must be considered.

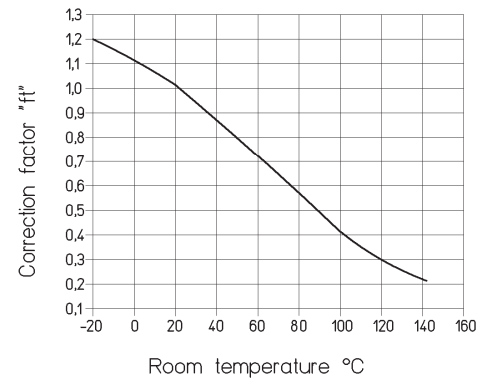
Chart. n° 2 : Safety factors with respect to the forces of inertia

Load type	$f_i$
Loads with constant ramps of acc. / dec. controlled	from 1 to 0,5
Loads with constant start and stop at tear	from 0,5 to 0,33
Loads and speed greatly variable	from 0,33 to 0,25
Loads in presence of shocks and vibrations	from 0,25 to 0,17

### Correction factor for working environment temperature

Using plastic nuts MPH o FCS, the value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  admissible must be corrected in function of the working environment temperature. Plastic becomes softer at higher temperature and withstands minor load. At lower temperatures, it becomes harder and bears heavier loads. Correction factor " $f_t$ " is shown in graph n° 4.

Graph N°4 - Correction factor " $f_t$ "  
for nuts MPH and FCS



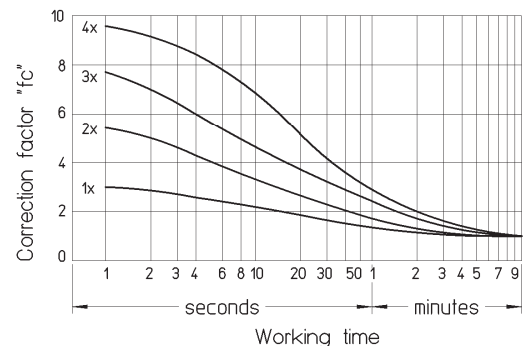
### Correction factor dependent on intermittent use

Plastic nuts operating in on and off cycles for relatively short periods of time do not reach the limit of the maximum permissible temperature of the surface in contact with the screw. This temperature is a constraint that mainly contributes to limit the values of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  in graphs N° 2 and N° 3 for the nuts MPH e FCS in continuous operation. The value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  admissible when operating in on and off cycles is higher than the value in continuous cycles. Deduce from graph N° 5 the value of the factor " $f_c$ ". The curves of "x" represent the relationship between the downtime and the working time of the nut.

- 1 x represents downtime same as working time.
- 2 x represents downtime twice as much of the working time.
- 3 x represents downtime three times the working time.
- 4 x represents downtime four times the working time.

Find the working time value on the horizontal axis the working time value for the case in exam, climb vertically until intersecting the line of the relationship between the downtime and work time, then move horizontally and read the value of " $f_c$ ".

Graph N°5 - Correction factor " $f_c$ "  
for nuts MPH and FCS



The values of the three coefficients " $f_i$ ", " $f_t$ ", " $f_c$ " are used to correct the value of the product " $(p \cdot V_{st})$ " max read from graph N° 2 (for nut MPH) or graph N° 3 (for nut FCS), considering the maximum admissible sliding speed in "test conditions" relating to the contact surface pressure value of the real case in exam.

To calculate the admissible  $p \cdot V_{st}$  of the case in exam we shall use (7) :  $p \cdot V_{st} \text{ am} = (p \cdot V_{st})_{\text{max}} \cdot f_i \cdot f_t \cdot f_c$

## Example of calculation with self-lubricating plastic nut

Size to wear a nut FCS flanged in self-lubricating plastic with 3xTr length which operate in the following conditions:

- Constant axial load with forces of inertia limited by controlled ramps of acceleration/deceleration of  $F = 1750 \text{ N}$
- Moving speed =  $10 \text{ m / min}$
- Working time =  $20 \text{ sec.}$  With downtime =  $60 \text{ sec.}$
- Working environment temperature =  $50^\circ\text{C}$
- No lubricant

The nut FCS is perfectly self-lubricating and therefore suitable to operate in the considered conditions.

We choose a nut which is available among those that may be compatible with the dimensions of the motion system to be realized. Then we verify that the value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is lower than the admissible value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  as per the graph N° 3 and then correct it with the coefficients " $f_i$ ", " $f_t$ " and " $f_c$ " from the chart N° 2 and graphs N° 4 and 5.

We choose the FCS40AR (flanged nut in self-lubricating plastic with 3xTr length, Tr 40x7 right threaded)

We calculate the contact surface pressure with (1)

$$p = \frac{F}{A_t} = \frac{1750 \text{ [N]}}{6880 \text{ [mm}^2\text{]}}$$

F = Axial Force [N]  
A<sub>t</sub> = Total bearing surface between the teeth of the screws and the nuts in the plane perpendicular to the axis [mm<sup>2</sup>]

$$p = 0,25 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right]$$

The sliding speed is calculated with (4)

$$V_{st} = \frac{V_{tr}}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{10 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]}{\sin 3^\circ 30'}$$

V<sub>tr</sub> = Motion Speed  $\left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$   
 $\alpha$  = thread helix angle

$$V_{st} \cong 164 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

The value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is:

$$p \cdot V_{st} = 0,25 \left[ \text{N/mm}^2 \right] \cdot 164 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cong 41 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

Now we calculate the admissible value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  in the conditions in exam.

From the graph N° 3 we see that in continuous working conditions at  $23^\circ\text{C}$  with  $p = 0,25 \text{ [N/mm}^2\text{]}$  the admissible value of  $V_{st}$  is  $\cong 140 \text{ [m/min]}$

$$\text{i.e. } (p \cdot V_{st})_{\max} = 0,25 \cdot 140 = 35 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

- From graph N° 2 we read the value of the coefficient " $f_i$ ". In our case " $f_i$ " may be =  $0,75$ .
- From graph N° 4 we read the value of the coefficient " $f_t$ ". In our case, in the working environment temperature of  $50^\circ\text{C}$  we may assume " $f_t$ " =  $0,8$
- From graph N° 5 we read the value of the coefficient " $f_c$ ". In our case with working time of  $20 \text{ sec.}$  and downtime of  $60 \text{ sec.}$ , therefore

$$\frac{\text{downtime}}{\text{working time}} = 3 \text{ (curve 3x)} \quad \text{we assume "f}_c\text{" = } 3,7$$

The maximum admissible value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  in our case is (7):

$$p \cdot V_{st \text{ am}} = (p \cdot V_{st})_{\max} \cdot f_i \cdot f_t \cdot f_c = 35 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cdot 0,75 \cdot 0,8 \cdot 3,7 = 77,7 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

As the value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  in this case is lower than the admissible value, the nut FCS 40 AR may be used for this motion.

## Lifetime of the plastic nut

Using the experimental values it is possible to give an indication of the lifetime a plastic nut may have. The parameters that affect the life of a plastic nut are as follows:

- Value of the contact surface pressure  $p$  [N/mm<sup>2</sup>]
- Value of the sliding speed  $V_{st}$  [m/min]
- Constant of the resistance to the wear of the plastic in exam derived from experimental tests  $k$   $\left[ \frac{\text{mm}^3 \cdot \text{min}}{\text{N} \cdot \text{m} \cdot \text{hrs}} \right]$
- Correction factor  $f_c$  of the on and off cycle.

All data shown below are for coupling of plastic nuts with our precision rolled screws as we guarantee a surface roughness less than 1  $\mu\text{m}$  Ra.

**Coupling plastic nuts with lathed screws is not possible.**

The following calculations and considerations are for screws working at a temperature of approx 20/25°C with relative humidity from 30% to 70%.

For working environment at a different temperature and humidity, you should contact our Technical Office directly.

To calculate the lifetime we use the following formula:

$$(8) \quad t = \frac{m \cdot f_c}{p \cdot V_{st} \cdot k}$$

$m$  = increase in the axial play between screw and nut in respect of the initial value [mm]  
 $f_c$  = correction factor from graph N° 5  
 $p$  = contact surface pressure (see page 53 onward) [N/mm<sup>2</sup>]  
 $V_{st}$  = sliding speed (see page 53 onward) [m/min]  
 $k$  = constant of resistance to wear  $\left[ \frac{\text{mm}^3 \cdot \text{min}}{\text{N} \cdot \text{m} \cdot \text{hrs}} \right]$

Value of the constant  $k$  for plastic nuts.

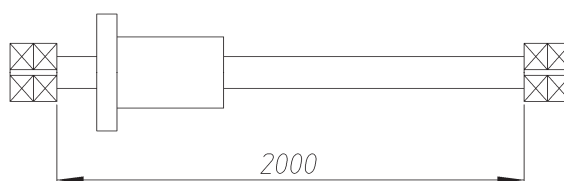
nuts MPH	$k = 10,5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
nuts FCS	$k = 2,5 \cdot 10^{-5}$

## Example of lifetime calculation of a plastic nut

Size to wear and calculate the lifetime of the nut FCS operating in the following conditions:

- Constant axial load forces of inertia limited by controlled ramps of acceleration/deceleration of  $F = 450$  N
- Motion speed = 10 m/min
- Working time = 12 sec. with downtime = 12 sec.
- Distance covered in 12 sec. at 10 m/min  $\cong$  2000 mm
- Working environment temperature  $\cong$  22°C
- Working environment mean relative humidity  $\cong$  40% : 60%
- No lubrication
- Minimum lifetime requested: the coupling screw/nut must work for 200.000 cycles (i.e. approx 1.330 hrs at the above conditions) increasing the axial play in respect of the initial value of 0,1 mm.

$V$  motion = 10 m/min



Nuts type FCS are perfectly self-lubricant and therefore suitable to work in the considered conditions. Seen the good motion speed requested (10 m/min) we verify to wear the nut FCS 28 BR, with pitch 10 (2 starts at pitch 5).

To verify the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  see example on page 60.

Contact surface pressure is calculated with (1).

$$p = \frac{F}{A_t} = \frac{450 \text{ [N]}}{3600 \text{ [mm}^2\text{]}} = 0,125 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right]$$

The sliding speed is calculated with (4).

$$V_{st} = \frac{V_{tr}}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{10 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]}{\sin 7^\circ 07'} = 80,7 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

The value  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is:

$$p \cdot V_{st} = 0,125 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \right] \cdot 80,7 \left[ \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cong 10 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

Now we calculate the admissible value of the product  $p \cdot V_{st}$  at the considered conditions.

From graph N° 3 we see that in continuous working conditions at 23°C with  $p = 0,125 \text{ [N/mm}^2\text{]}$  the admissible value of  $V_{st}$  is  $\cong 180 \text{ [m/min]}$

$$\text{i.e. } (p \cdot V_{st})_{\max} = 0,125 \cdot 180 = 22,5 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

- from chart N° 2 " $f_i$ " = 0,75
- from graph N° 4 " $f_t$ " = 1
- from graph N° 5 " $f_c$ " = 3

- the maximum admissible value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$ , in this case, with (7) :

$$p \cdot V_{st \text{ amm}} = p \cdot V_{st} \cdot f_i \cdot f_t \cdot f_c = 22,5 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right] \cdot 0,75 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 = 33,75 \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}^2} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{min}} \right]$$

As the value of  $p \cdot V_{st}$  is here less than the admissible one, the nut FCS 28 BR may be use for this motion.

### Verify to wear:

Now we calculate in how long we would face wear in continuous working conditions and therefore an increase of the axial play of 0,2 mm with (8)

$$t = \frac{m \cdot f_c}{p \cdot V_{st} \cdot k} = \frac{0,1 \cdot 2}{10 \cdot 2,5 \cdot 10^{-5}} = 800 \text{ hrs}$$

Therefore 800 working hrs, at the speed of 10 m/min, correspond to the following distance:

$$800 \cdot 60 \cdot 10 = 480.000 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Number of cycles: } \frac{480.000}{2} = 240.000 \text{ cycles}$$

We have a lifetime of 1.600 hrs. at the considered conditions.

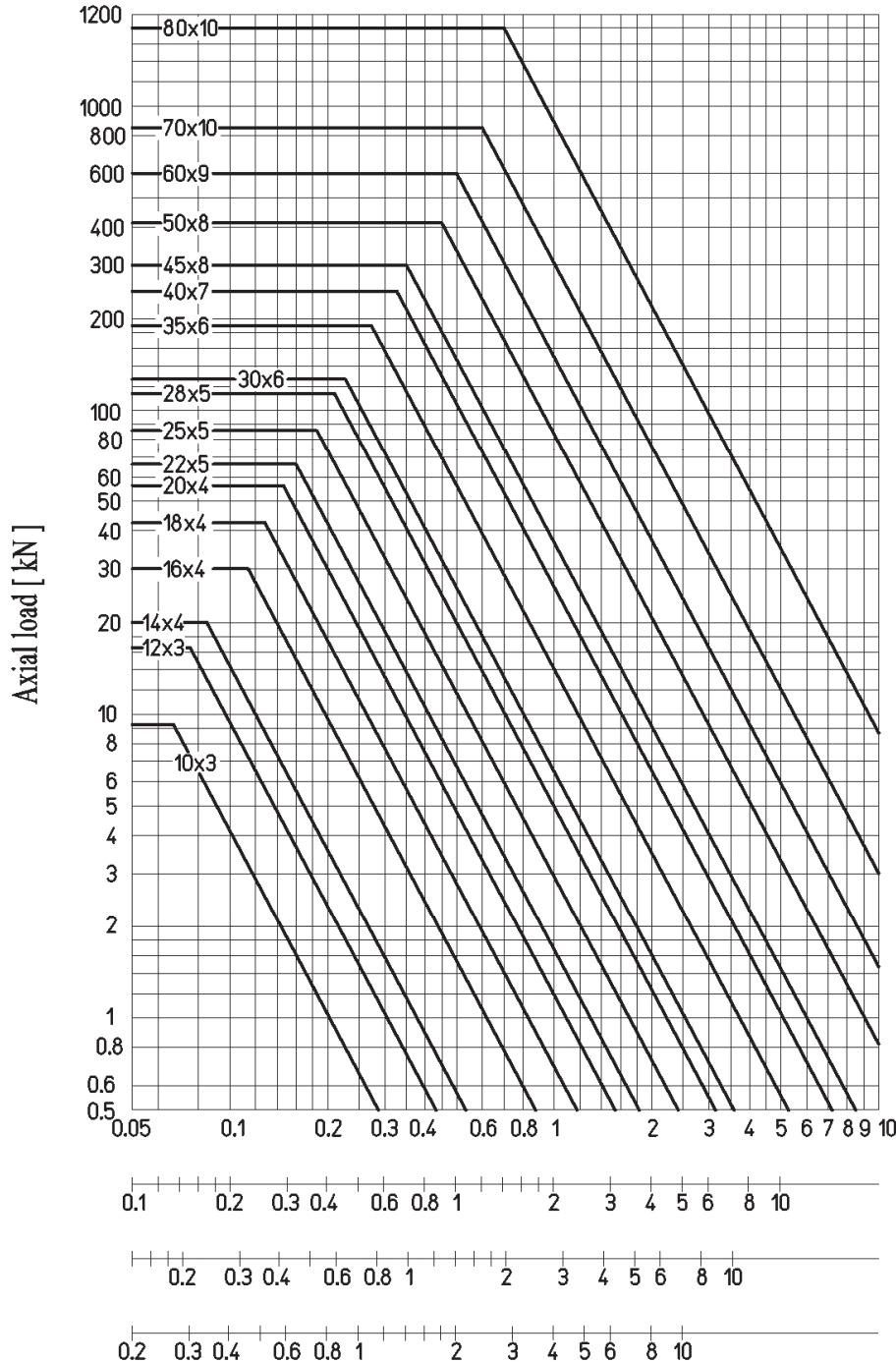


## Critical Axial Load (Peak Load)

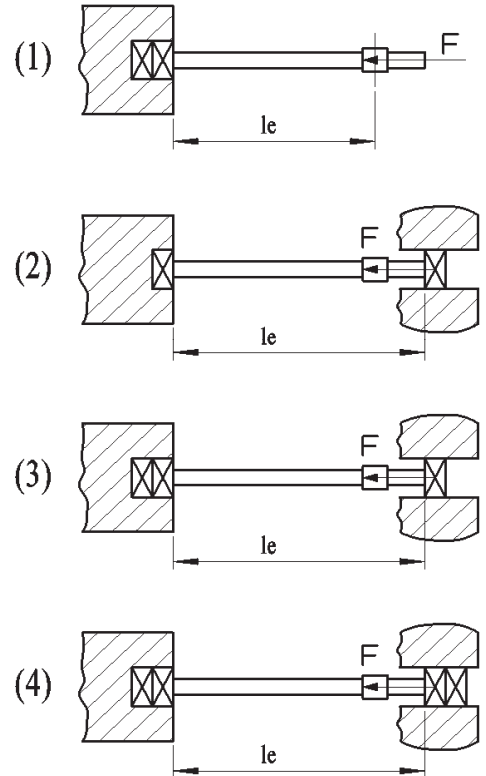
When there are compression loaded screws allowance must be made for limitations due to peak load to avoid screw bending due to excessive axial compression load. Admissible axial load depends on the core diameter ( $d_3$ ) of the screw, end constraints (bearings) and free length 'le'.

Regarding the values given in graph no. 6, allow a minimum safety factor  $\geq 2$ .

**Graph no. 6 - Peak Load**



free length "le"  
for constraint type



(1) free length "le" [m]

(2)

(3)

(4)

Example: find the admissible axial load of a Tr 30x6 screw 3000 mm long with constraint conditions as in drawing 4. From graph 6 Take  $F_{max} = 11$  kN with safety factor of 2 and assume  $F_{adm} = 11/2 = 5.5$  kN.

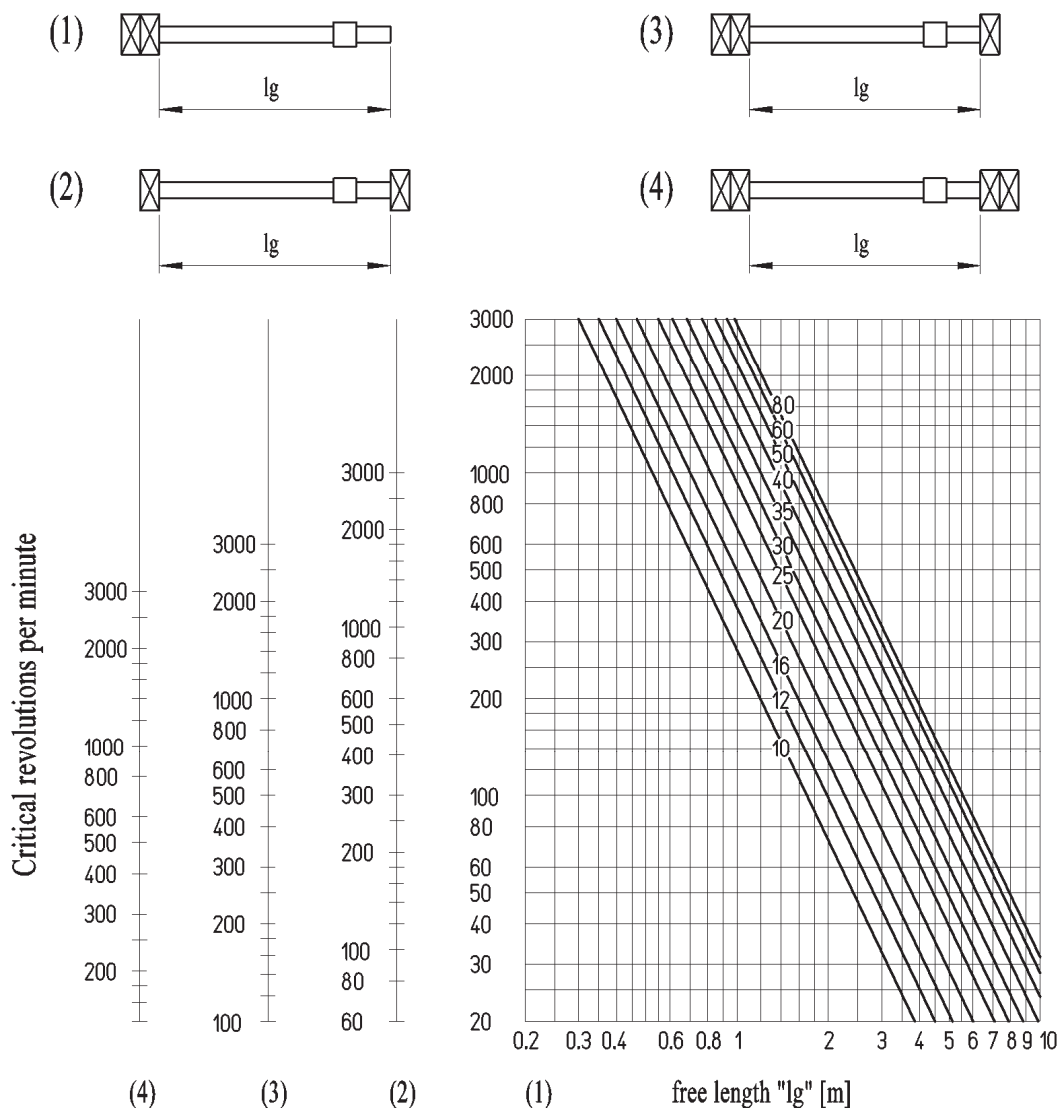
## Critical revolutions per minute

The critical revolutions per minute is the rotating speed at which screw vibrations appear. This rotation speed must never be reached because the vibrations cause serious operating irregularities. Critical rpm depend on screw diameter, end constraints (bearings), free length "lg" and from the assembly accuracy.

For values shown in Graph 7 assume a minimum safety factor related to the assembly accuracy as per the following chart:

Chart n°3 Assembly accuracy coefficient:		
Assembly accuracy	Conditions	Safety coefficient
Good assembly accuracy: - Nut alignment to screw within 0.05mm	Bearing and nut seats obtained from CNC lathe onto an already finished structure.	1.3 – 1.6
Average assembly accuracy: - Nut alignment to screw within 0.10mm	Bearing and nut seats processed on parts which are then assembled together. Alignments are checked by comparators with extreme care after mounting.	1.7 – 2.5
Low assembly accuracy: - Nut alignment to screw within 0.25mm	Bearing and nut seats processed on parts which are then assembled or welded together. Alignments are checked by comparators after mounting.	2.6 – 4.5

### Graph no. 7 – Critical rpm



Example: find the critical rpm of a screw Tr 40x7 length 3000 mm with constraint conditions as in drawing 3 with average assembly accuracy. Graph 7 gives critical rotation speed  $\cong 1000$  rpm

From chart n°3 we calculate the Safety coefficient = 2.2.

We can reach the working speed at a maximum round speed of:  $n. \max = 1000/2.2 = 454$  rpm.

## Efficiency

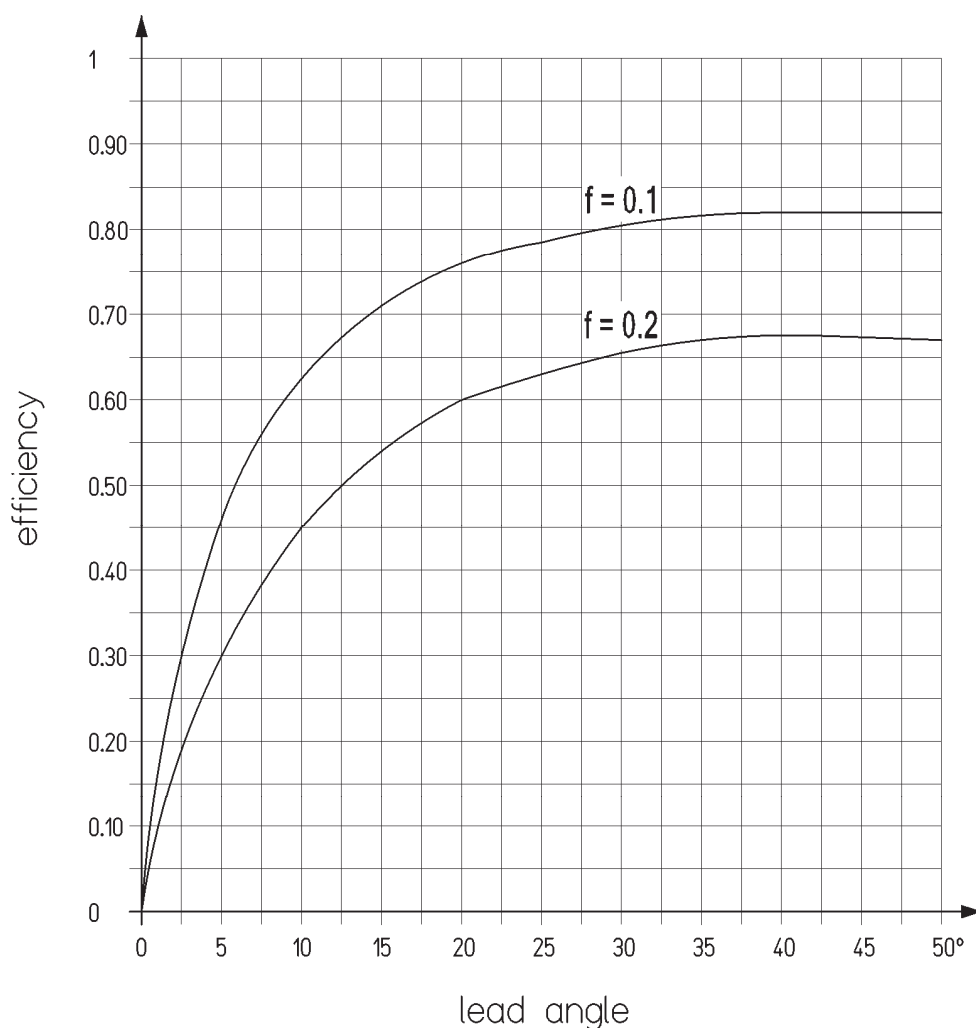
By efficiency is meant the ability of a screw & nut system to convert rotary motion into rectilinear motion. This parameter allows appraisal of how much rotation energy is converted into useful energy for linear movement, hence how much energy is dissipated as heat.

The following formula can be used for calculation.

$$(9) \quad \eta = \frac{1 - f \cdot \operatorname{tg} \alpha}{1 + \frac{f}{\operatorname{tg} \alpha}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \eta = \text{efficiency} \\ f = \text{dynamic friction factor between scew and nut materials} \\ \alpha = \text{lead angle of threads} \end{array}$$

The numerical efficiency values of each limit are shown in the table 'Screw Specifications' on page 52.

**Graph no. 8 – Efficiency**



Graph no. 8 shows that efficiency is greater if the lead angle of the screw thread is greater, hence to dissipate less energy as heat, it is recommended to use screws with lead angle as high as possible for the type of work (Pay attention if irreversibility of the system is needed). Efficiency is inversely proportionate to the dynamic friction factor, i.e. using material with a lower friction factor there is less waste of energy. For this reason we make precision rolled trapezoidal screws with minimal roughness on the side of the tooth and always less than 1  $\mu\text{m}$  Ra (usually 0.2 to 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$ ). We also make wear-resistant self-lubricating plastic flanged nuts which ensure very low friction factors with no need for lubrication. Dynamic friction factor  $f \cong 0.1$ , first breakaway  $\cong 0.15$ .

## Torque

The Torque necessary for moving a screw & nut system is calculated by the following equation.

$$(10) \quad C = \frac{F \cdot P}{2 \pi \eta 1000}$$

$C$  = torque (input) [N•m]  
 $F$  = axial force on nut [N]  
 $P$  = true lead of screw [mm]  
 $\eta$  = efficiency (assume efficiency with first breakaway friction factor  $f= 0.2$ , Table on page 52)

### Example of calculation :

Find torque necessary for movement of a screw Tr 30x6 coupled with a nut HCL Tr 30x6.

Resistant axial force = 10.000 N

Screw lead = 6 mm

$\eta = 0.26$

$$\text{Torque} = \frac{F \cdot P}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \eta \cdot 1000} = \frac{10.000 \text{ [N]} \cdot 6 \text{ [mm]}}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 0.26 \cdot 1000} = 36.7 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

The torque value does not consider the efficiency of mechanical parts moving together with the screw system, such as bearings, belts or other transmission components. In project phase, an increase between the 20 and 30% of the theoretical value is recommended. If electric motors with low static torque are used assume another increase of 50% to find nominal torque.

$$C = 36.7 \text{ [N} \cdot \text{m]} \cdot 1.3 \cdot 1.5 \cong 71.6 \text{ [N} \cdot \text{m]}$$

## Power

The power necessary for moving a trapezoidal screw & nut system is calculated with the following equation.

$$(11) \quad P = \frac{C \cdot n}{9550}$$

$P$  = power [kW]  
 $C$  = torque [N•m]  
 $n$  = rpm

### Example of calculation :

Calculate the power necessary for moving the screw Tr 30x6 of the above example at 600 rpm.

$$P = \frac{C \cdot n}{9550} = \frac{71.6 \text{ [N} \cdot \text{m]} \cdot 600 \text{ [round/min]}}{9550} \cong 4.5 \text{ kW}$$

This is the minimum useful power necessary.

## Stock number for ordering trapezoidal screws

<b>SCREW</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>2 3 4 5</b>
	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	

**1** - Trapezoidal screw type: KTS -KUE -KKA -KSR -KQX -KEQ -KRP -KRE -KAM -KAF see related pages.

**2** - Nominal size of screw thread. Numerical value from table.

**3** - Identifying letter of actual lead and number of threads. See page for screw type and the ordering stock number corresponding to the diameter and lead to order.

**4** - R = right-hand; L = left-hand.

**5** - Screw length, specify in millimeters: 2000 = 2.000 mm      2345 = 2.345 mm

### Examples of orders:

-- Trapezoidal screw, lead accuracy 200, C15E Tr 50 lead 8 with 1 thread start. RH thread, length 2000 mm entirely threaded:

<b>SCREW</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>2 0 0 0</b>
	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	

-- Trapezoidal screw, lead accuracy 200, C15E Tr 40 lead 40 with 5 thread starts. RH thread, length 2500 mm entirely threaded:

<b>SCREW</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>2 5 0 0</b>
	<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	

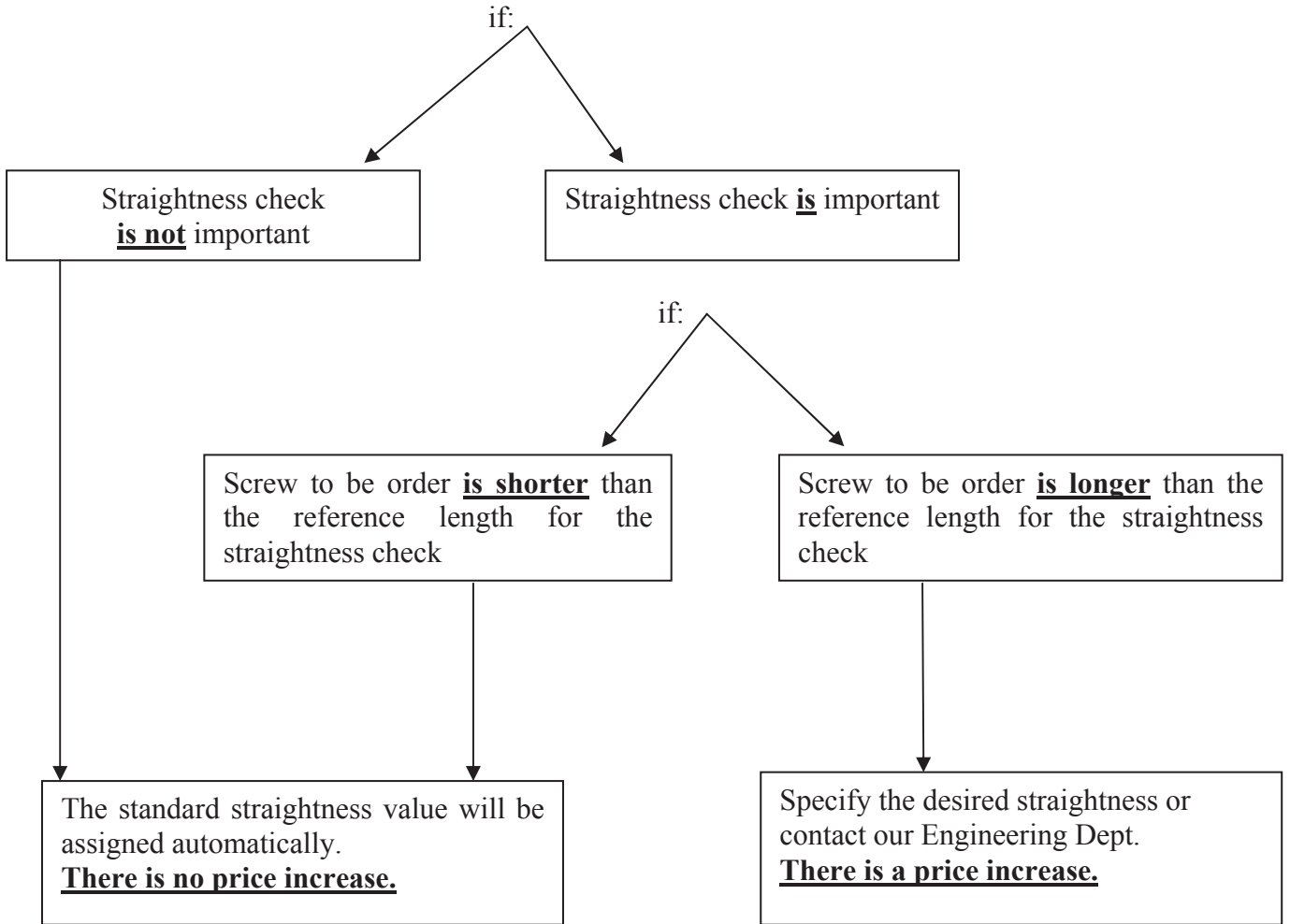
### Ordering screws with completely finished ends :

Send a drawing by fax or email to our offices. A stock number will be assigned to each individual drawing. For screws completely finished on the ends the straightness value should be specified on the drawing.

## PAY ATTENTION TO STRAIGHTNESS WHEN PREPARING ORDERS:

Screws are produced in length of 6 meters but the straightness is checked on a shorter length. The straightness value is specified in the proper column of the features table of each screw type.

**To order completely threaded screws:**



The terms set forth above apply to completely threaded screws.

## Ordering screws with fully finished ends:

For screws with fully finished ends the straightness value should always be specified in the drawing.

## Stock number for ordering trapezoidal nuts

<b>NUT</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>
	1	2	3	4			

- 1 - Nut type: MLF - MZP - HSN - HBD - HDA - HBM - BIG - CQA - QOB - CQF - QBF  
FTN - FXN - FMT - HDL - CBC - FFR - FHD - FUE - FSF - CDF - HAL - MES - FCS - MPH  
see related pages.
- 2 - Nominal size of nut thread. Numerical value from table.
- 3 - Identifying letter of actual lead and number of threads starts. See page for nut type. The letter of the ordering stock number corresponding to the diameter and lead to order.
- 4 - R = right-hand; L = left-hand.

### Examples of orders:

-- Flanged trapezoidal nut with length 3xTr bronze GB-Cu Sn12, Tr 40 lead 10 with 1 thread start, RH thread:

<b>NUT</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>R</b>
	1	2	3	4			

-- Cylindrical trapezoidal nut bronze GB-CuSn7ZnPb, Tr 20 lead 4 with 1 thread start, RH thread:

<b>NUT</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>
	1	2	3	4			

-- Cylindrical trapezoidal nut bronze GB-Cu Sn12, Tr 50 lead 3 with 1 start, LH thread:

<b>NUT</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>L</b>
	1	2	3	4			

-- Cylindrical trapezoidal nut steel 11 S Mn 30, Tr 60 lead 9 with 1 start, RH thread:

<b>NUT</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>R</b>
	1	2	3	4			

### For nuts finished to your drawing:

Send a drawing by fax or email to our offices. A stock number will be assigned to each individual drawing.