

Y axis leadscrew calculations

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This worksheet calculates leadscrew critical buckling loads, critical shaft whip velocity

Material parameters

$E := 200 \cdot \text{GPa}$ Young's modulus, Assume steel

$G := \frac{3}{8} \cdot E = 75 \text{ GPa}$ Shear modulus

$\rho := 8000 \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$ Density

$\sigma_{\text{uts}} := 150 \cdot \text{ksi} = 1.034 \times 10^3 \text{ MPa}$

$\tau_{\text{max}} := 0.5 \cdot \sigma_{\text{uts}} = 517.107 \text{ MPa}$

Geometric parameters

$D := 0.15 \cdot \text{in}$ Minor diameter

$L := 4 \cdot \text{in}$ Leadscrew length

$a := 2 \cdot \text{in}$ Carriage position, measured from one support

$L_0 := a$ Leadscrew length (before nut, the part that can buckle)

$b := L - a = 2 \text{ in}$ Leadscrew length after nut

$I := \frac{\pi}{64} \cdot D^4 = 10.344 \text{ mm}^4$ Bending moment of inertia

$J := \frac{\pi}{32} \cdot D^4 = 20.687 \text{ mm}^4$ Polar moment of inertia

$A := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot D^2 = 11.401 \text{ mm}^2$ Cross sectional area

Input loads

$T := 100 \cdot \text{N} \cdot \text{mm}$

Leadscrew stiffnesses

$$\delta := \frac{P \cdot a \cdot b \cdot (-L^2 + a^2 + b^2)}{6 \cdot E \cdot I \cdot L} \quad \text{Assume simply supported beam deflection}$$

$$k_{\text{bend}} := \frac{-6 \cdot E \cdot I \cdot L}{a \cdot b \cdot (a^2 + b^2 - L^2)} = 94.68 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{mm}}$$

Torsional stiffness

$$k_{\theta y} := \frac{G \cdot J}{L_0} = 30.542 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{rad}} \quad \text{The threaded rod I found have a min UTS of 150 ksi, RC33 hardness, 2A thread (McM 90322A643)}$$

Output velocity

$$\omega := 100 \cdot \text{rpm} \quad \text{Input RPM}$$

$$n := 5 \quad \text{Reduction (if present)}$$

$$\omega_{\text{out}} := \frac{\omega}{n} = 20 \text{ rpm} \quad \text{Output RPM}$$

$$p := 32 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{in}} \quad \text{Screw pitch}$$

$$v_{\text{out}} := \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot p} \cdot \omega_{\text{out}} = 0.265 \frac{\text{mm}}{\text{s}} \quad \text{Output velocity}$$

Instabilities

Shaft critical buckling load

$$P_{\text{cr}} := \frac{\pi^2 \cdot E \cdot I}{L_0^2} = 7.912 \text{ kN}$$

Critical shaft speed

$$\omega_c := (1.875)^2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{E \cdot I}{A \cdot \rho \cdot L^4}} = 15488.9 \text{ rpm}$$

Stresses

Strength of threads (nut and screw)

Torsional stress of leadscrew

$$\tau := \frac{T}{J} \cdot \left(\frac{D}{2} \right) = 9.209 \text{ MPa}$$

Max shear stress is at surface
can also be written as

$$\tau_{\text{shear}} = \frac{16 \cdot T}{\pi \cdot D^3}$$

$$T_{\text{max}} := \frac{2 \cdot J}{D} \cdot \tau_{\text{max}} = 5.615 \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{rad}}$$

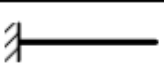
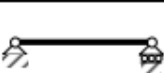
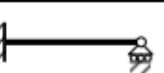
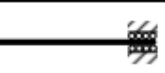
Equivalent VM stress

$$\sigma_{\text{VM}} = \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{tensile}}^2 + 3 \cdot \tau_{\text{shear}}^2}$$

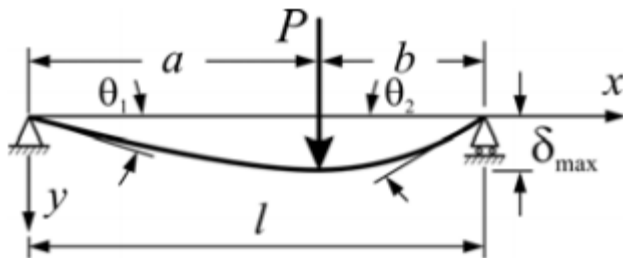
Used if applying tension to screw

Thread engagement to avoid shearing

$$\omega_n = k^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{A\rho L^4}} \quad F_{buckle} = \frac{cEI}{L^2}$$

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|--------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|
| | Cantilevered | | Simply Supported | | Fixed-Simple | | Fixed-Fixed | |
| mode n | k | c | k | c | k | c | k | c |
| 1 | 1.875 | 2.47 | 3.142 | 9.87 | 3.927 | 20.2 | 4.730 | 39.5 |
| 2 | 4.694 | | 6.283 | | 7.069 | | 7.853 | |
| 3 | 7.855 | | 9.425 | | 10.210 | | 10.996 | |
| 4 | 10.996 | | 12.566 | | 13.352 | | 14.137 | |
| n | $(2n-1)\pi/2$ | | $n\pi$ | | $(4n+1)\pi/4$ | | $(2n+1)\pi/2$ | |

From FUNdaMENTALS, 6-6



$$\delta_{\max} = \frac{Pb(l^2 - b^2)^{3/2}}{9\sqrt{3}EI} \quad \text{at } x = \sqrt{(l^2 - b^2)}/3$$

$$\delta = \frac{Pb}{48EI} (3l^2 - 4b^2) \quad \text{at the center, if } a > b$$

<http://ruina.mae.cornell.edu/Courses/ME4735-2012/Rand4770Vibrations/BeamFormulas.pdf>