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## Gear Design and Selection Application

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- Helical Gear and Pinion Equations and Calculator
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- Automotive Transmission Gear Ratio Equation and Calculator
- Screw Worm Gear Axial Force and Thrust Calculator
- Gear Motor Transmission Inertia Drive Calculator

Spur Gear design formula for geometry, pitch, tooth clearance and critical functional data.
(Inch Units Applicable for Constants)


Spur Gear Design Calculator

| Calculate | When Defined | Formula |
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| Diametral Pitch (P) | Pitch Diameter (PD) and the Number of <br> Teeth $(\mathrm{N})$ | $\mathrm{P}=\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{PD}$ |
| Diametral Pitch (P) | Circular Pitch (p) | $\mathrm{P}=3.1416 / \mathrm{p}$ |
| Diametral Pitch (P) | Outside Diameter (OD) and the Number of <br> Teeth $(\mathrm{N})$ | $\mathrm{P}=$ |
| $(\mathrm{N}+2) / \mathrm{OD}$ |  |  |
| Pitch Diameter (PD) | Number of teeth $(\mathrm{N})$ and the Diametral <br> Pitch $(\mathrm{P})$ | $\mathrm{PD}=\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{DP}$ |
| Outside Diameter (OD) | Number of teeth $(\mathrm{N})$ and the Diametral <br> Pitch $(\mathrm{P})$ | $\mathrm{OD}=$ |
| $(\mathrm{N}+2) / \mathrm{DP}$ |  |  |


| \|Number of Teeth (N). | Pitch Diameter (D) and the Diametral Pitch (P) | $\mathrm{N}=\mathrm{PD} * \mathrm{DP}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Addendum (a) | Diametral Pitch (P) | $\mathrm{a}=1 / \mathrm{DP}$ |
| Dedendum (d) | Whole Depth and Addendum | $\mathrm{d}=\mathrm{hw}-\mathrm{a}$ |
| Tooth Thickness ( t ) at the Pitch Diameter | Diametral Pitch (P) | $\mathrm{t}=1.5708 / \mathrm{P}$ |
| Working Depth (WD). | Addendum | WD $=2(\mathrm{a})$ |
| Center Distance (C) | Normal Diametral Pitch (P) and the Number of Teeth in Both Gears | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}= \\ & (\mathrm{N} 1+\mathrm{N} 2) / 2 \mathrm{P} \end{aligned}$ |
| Center Distance (C) | Pitch Diameters of both gears | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}= \\ & (\mathrm{PD} 1+\mathrm{PD} 2) / 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| Circular Pitch (p) | Diametral Pitch (P) | $p=3.1416 /$ |
| Whole Depth (hw) for 20 Pitch \& finer . | Diametral Pitch (P) | $\text { hw }=2.2 / \mathrm{P}+$ |
| Whole Depth (hw) for Coarser than 20 Pitch . | Diametral Pitch (P) | $\mathrm{hw}=2.157 / \mathrm{P}$ |

Equations Tooth Parts, 20-and 25-degree Involute Full-depth Teeth ANSI Coarse Pitch Spur Gear Tooth Forms ANSI B6. 1

## Spur Gear Design Calculator

| Find | Diametral Pitch, P, <br> Known | Circular Pitch, p, <br> Known |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Addendum | $\mathrm{a}=1.000 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{a}=0.3183 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| Dedendum (Preferred) | $\mathrm{b}=1.250 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{b}=0.3979 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| (Shaved or Ground <br> Teeth) | $\mathrm{b}=1.350 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{b}=0.4297 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| Working Depth | $\mathrm{hk}=2.000 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{hk}=0.6366 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| Whole Depth (Preferred) | $\mathrm{ht}=2.250 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{ht}=0.7162 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| (Shaved or Ground <br> Teeth) | $\mathrm{ht}=2.350 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{ht}=0.7480 \times \mathrm{p}$ |
| Clearance (Preferred) ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ | $\mathrm{c}=0.250 / \mathrm{P}$ | $\mathrm{c}=0.0796 \times \mathrm{p}$ |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ When gears are preshave cut on a gear shaper the dedendum will usually need to be increased to $1.40 / \mathrm{P}$ to allow for the higher fillet trochoid produced by the shaper cutter. This is of particular importance on gears of few teeth or if the gear blank configuration requires the use of a small diameter shaper cutter, in which case the dedendum may need to be increased to as much as $1.45 / \mathrm{P}$. This should be avoided on highly loaded gears where the consequently reduced J factor will increase gear tooth stress excessively.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ A minimum clearance of $0.157 / \mathrm{P}$ may be used for the basic 20 -degree and 25 -degree pressure angle rack in the case of shallow root sections and use of existing hobs or cutters.

## Helical Gear

| Calculate | When Defined | Formula |
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| Normal D.P. (Pn) | Transverse D.P.(P) and the Helix Angle (A) | $\mathrm{Pn}=\mathrm{P} / \cos \mathrm{A}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Normal D.P. (Pn) | Number of teeth (N) and the Helix Angle (A) | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Pn}=\mathrm{N} /(\mathrm{D} \mathrm{X} \\ & \cos \mathrm{A}) \end{aligned}$ |
| Pitch Diameter (D) | Number of teeth (N), the Normal Diametral Pitch and the Helix Angle (A) | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{N} /(\mathrm{Pn} \\ & \mathrm{X} \cos \mathrm{~A}) \end{aligned}$ |
| Outside Diameter (OD) | Pitch Diameter (D) and the Addendum (a) | $\\| \begin{aligned} & \mathrm{OD}=\mathrm{D}+(2 \\ & \mathrm{X} \text { a }) \end{aligned}$ |
| Outside Diameter (OD) | Normal Diametral Pitch (P) and the Pitch Diameter (D) | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{OD}=\mathrm{D}+ \\ & 2 / \mathrm{Pn} \end{aligned}$ |
| Helix Angle (A) for Parallel Shaft Drive | Number of Teeth (N), Pitch Diameter (D) and the Diametral Pitch (P) | $\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Cos} \mathrm{A}=\mathrm{N} / \\ & (\operatorname{Pn} \mathrm{X} D) \end{aligned}$ |
| Addendum (a) | Normal Diametral Pitch (Pn) | $\mathrm{a}=1 / \mathrm{Pn}$ |
| Lead (L) | Pitch Diameter (D) and Pitch Helix Angle | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{L}=(\mathrm{pi} * \mathrm{D}) / \\ & \operatorname{Tan} \end{aligned}$ |

Circular Pitches and Equivalent Diametral Pitches Table

| Circular <br> Pitch | Diametral <br> Pitch | Module | Thickness <br> of Tooth on <br> Pitch Line | Addendum | Working <br> Depth <br> of Tooth | Dedendum <br> or Depth <br> of Space <br> Below Pitch <br> Line | Whole <br> Depth <br> of <br> Tooth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 0.7854 | 32.3402 | 2.0000 | 1.2732 | 2.5464 | 1.4732 | 2.7464 |
| $3-1 / 2$ | 0.8976 | 28.2581 | 1.7500 | 1.1140 | 2.2281 | 1.2890 | 2.4031 |
| 3 | 1.0472 | 24.2552 | 1.5000 | 0.9549 | 1.9098 | 1.1049 | 2.0598 |
| $2-3 / 4$ | 1.1424 | 22.2339 | 1.3750 | 0.8753 | 1.7506 | 1.0128 | 1.8881 |
| $2-1 / 2$ | 1.2566 | 20.2117 | 1.2500 | 0.7957 | 1.5915 | 0.9207 | 1.7165 |
| $2-1 / 4$ | 1.3963 | 18.1913 | 1.1250 | 0.7162 | 1.4323 | 0.8287 | 1.5448 |
| 2 | 1.5708 | 16.1701 | 1.0000 | 0.6366 | 1.2732 | 0.7366 | 1.3732 |
| $1-7 / 8$ | 1.6755 | 15.1595 | 0.9375 | 0.5968 | 1.1937 | 0.6906 | 1.2874 |
| $1-3 / 4$ | 1.7952 | 14.1488 | 0.8750 | 0.5570 | 1.1141 | 0.6445 | 1.2016 |
| $1-5 / 8$ | 1.9333 | 13.1382 | 0.8125 | 0.5173 | 1.0345 | 0.5985 | 1.1158 |
| $1-1 / 2$ | 2.0944 | 12.1276 | 0.7500 | 0.4775 | 0.9549 | 0.5525 | 1.0299 |
| $1-7 / 16$ | 2.1855 | 11.6223 | 0.7187 | 0.4576 | 0.9151 | 0.5294 | 0.9870 |
| $1-3 / 8$ | 2.2848 | 11.1169 | 0.6875 | 0.4377 | 0.8754 | 0.5064 | 0.9441 |
| $1-5 / 16$ | 2.3936 | 10.6116 | 0.6562 | 0.4178 | 0.8356 | 0.4834 | 0.9012 |
| $1-1 / 4$ | 2.5133 | 10.1062 | 0.6250 | 0.3979 | 0.7958 | 0.4604 | 0.8583 |
| $1-3 / 16$ | 2.6456 | 9.6010 | 0.5937 | 0.3780 | 0.7560 | 0.4374 | 0.8154 |
| $1-1 / 8$ | 2.7925 | 9.0958 | 0.5625 | 0.3581 | 0.7162 | 0.4143 | 0.7724 |
| $1-1 / 16$ | 2.9568 | 8.5904 | 0.5312 | 0.3382 | 0.6764 | 0.3913 | 0.7295 |
| 1 | 3.1416 | 8.0851 | 0.5000 | 0.3183 | 0.6366 | 0.3683 | 0.6866 |
| $15 / 16$ | 3.3510 | 7.5798 | 0.4687 | 0.2984 | 0.5968 | 0.3453 | 0.6437 |
| $7 / 8$ | 3.5904 | 7.0744 | 0.4375 | 0.2785 | 0.5570 | 0.3223 | 0.6007 |
| $13 / 16$ | 3.8666 | 6.5692 | 0.4062 | 0.2586 | 0.5173 | 0.2993 | 0.5579 |
| $3 / 4$ | 4.1888 | 6.0639 | 0.3750 | 0.2387 | 0.4775 | 0.2762 | 0.5150 |
| $11 / 16$ | 4.5696 | 5.5586 | 0.3437 | 0.2189 | 0.4377 | 0.2532 | 0.4720 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| $2 / 3$ | 4.7124 | 5.3903 | 0.3333 | 0.2122 | 0.4244 | 0.2455 | 0.4577 |
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| $5 / 8$ | 5.0265 | 5.0532 | 0.3125 | 0.1989 | 0.3979 | 0.2301 | 0.4291 |
| $9 / 16$ | 5.5851 | 4.5479 | 0.2812 | 0.1790 | 0.3581 | 0.2071 | 0.3862 |
| $1 / 2$ | 6.2832 | 4.0426 | 0.2500 | 0.1592 | 0.3183 | 0.1842 | 0.3433 |
| $7 / 16$ | 7.1808 | 3.5373 | 0.2187 | 0.1393 | 0.2785 | 0.1611 | 0.3003 |
| $2 / 5$ | 7.8540 | 3.2340 | 0.2000 | 0.1273 | 0.2546 | 0.1473 | 0.2746 |
| $3 / 8$ | 8.3776 | 3.0319 | 0.1875 | 0.1194 | 0.2387 | 0.1381 | 0.2575 |
| $1 / 3$ | 9.4248 | 2.6947 | 0.1666 | 0.1061 | 0.2122 | 0.1228 | 0.2289 |
| $5 / 16$ | 10.0531 | 2.5266 | 0.1562 | 0.0995 | 0.1989 | 0.1151 | 0.2146 |
| $2 / 7$ | 10.9956 | 2.3100 | 0.1429 | 0.0909 | 0.1819 | 0.1052 | 0.1962 |
| $1 / 4$ | 12.5664 | 2.0213 | 0.1250 | 0.0796 | 0.1591 | 0.0921 | 0.1716 |
| $2 / 9$ | 14.1372 | 1.7967 | 0.1111 | 0.0707 | 0.1415 | 0.0818 | 0.1526 |
| $1 / 5$ | 15.7080 | 1.6170 | 0.1000 | 0.0637 | 0.1273 | 0.0737 | 0.1373 |
| $3 / 16$ | 16.7552 | 1.5160 | 0.0937 | 0.0597 | 0.1194 | 0.0690 | 0.1287 |
| $1 / 6$ | 18.8496 | .5053 | 0.0833 | 0.0531 | 0.1061 | 0.0614 | 0.1144 |

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