

LINEAR MOTION

Iglidur® Trapezoidal Lead Screw Nuts



Advantages

- Self lubricating
- Resistant to dirt
- Maintenance free
- Best resistance to galling
- Corrosion free
- Quiet operation
- Temperature resistant up to 90°C
- Trapezoidal lead screws manufactured from steel, stainless and anodised aluminium on request.
- Left-handed leadscrew nuts on request.



Until now, there have been two types of trapezoidal lead screw nuts on the market; lubricated metallic nuts (steel, bronze, brass etc.) without emergency running properties, and maintenance free versions made of plastic such as PA 6.6 or POM with very restricted load capacity. Iglidur® maintenance free trapezoidal lead screw nuts are now closing the gap. They are fully maintenance free and take high loads.

The new Trapezoidal lead screw nuts add to the range of the maintenance free and dry running products for linear technology. The Iglidur® lead screw nuts offer considerable advantages over nuts which require maintenance and lubrication especially in applications using detergents such as those of the packaging industry or in areas with high dust contamination (textile machines). The Iglidur® lead screw nuts are manufactured to DIN 103.

Calculations of the trapezoidal thread loads

The load capacity of the trapezoidal lead screw nuts made of high performance polymers depends on the surface pressure, the speed and the resulting temperature. The temperature ratio will be affected by the frequency as well as by the lead screw material and its thermal properties.

The surface pressure of the Iglidur® trapezoidal lead screw nut should not permanently exceed 5 MPa.

$$p \times v \text{ Value}_{\max} 0.08 \text{ MPa} \times \text{m/s}$$

The permissible feeds and speeds can be determined for each thread size with the $p \times v$ value and the running surfaces given in the dimension table.

Required (running surface)

$$A_e = F_{\text{axial}} / p_{\text{permissible}} (\text{mm}^2)$$

Selection of the thread size and determination of the effective surface pressure

$$P_{\text{eff}} = F_{\text{axial}} / A_{\text{eff}} (\text{MPa})$$

Permissible sliding speed

$$V_{\text{slide}} = p \times v_{\max} / P_{\text{eff}} (\text{m/s})$$

Maximum permissible RPM

$$N = V_{\text{slide}} \times 1.000 \times 60 / (\pi \times d_1) (1/\text{mm})$$

Feed Speed

$$V_{\text{feed}} = n \times P / 60.000 (\text{m/s})$$

F_{axial}

Axial force

$p_{\text{permissible}}$

Max. permissible surface pressure 5 MPa

P_{eff}

Effective surface pressure on a specific thread size

A_{eff}

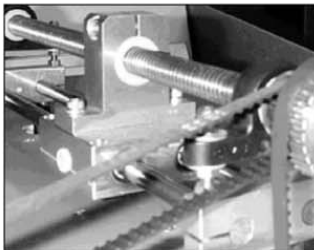
Effective supporting surface of the selected trapezoidal lead screw nut

P

Pitch

d_1

Effective diameter



LINEAR MOTION

Trapezoidal Leadscrews

Dimensions of Screw and Nut

The screw has to withstand the applied torque and also carry the load. The length of engagement between the nut and screw must be sufficient to avoid shearing and too rapid wear. In practice, it is nearly always the latter which determines the length of nut. The screw, if in compression, will also have to be considered as a column, and the J B Johnson or Euler formula applied. Since the torque is a function of the pitch diameter, which itself cannot be calculated until the minor diameter is known, the screw diameter must be selected by a trial and error solution. Therefore a trial solution for the minor diameter area is made considering only the **normal** stress. Use the following equation;

$$A_i = \frac{W \times f_s}{S_y}$$

Then a nominal thread is selected having a minor diameter equal to, or exceeding that calculated. It is now possible to ascertain the tangent of the helix angle;

$$\tan \lambda = \frac{p}{\pi d}$$

With this information the torque can be calculated;

$$T = \frac{W d}{2} \left(\frac{\cos \alpha \tan \lambda + \mu}{\cos \alpha - \mu \tan \lambda} \right)$$

The next step is to find the torsional shear stress;

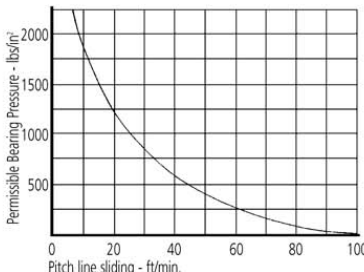
$$S_s = \frac{16T}{\pi d^3}$$

And the normal stress on the minor diameter section for screws in **tension**;

$$S = \frac{W}{A_i}$$

For screws in **compression**, we must take into account the bending stresses, since the screw is acting as a column, and J B Johnson or Euler formula will apply. Use the following equation to determine which formula is applicable;

$$a) \frac{L}{K} < \sqrt{\frac{2C\pi^2 E}{S_y}} \quad b) \frac{L}{K} > \sqrt{\frac{2C\pi^2 E}{S_y}}$$



Graph of Speed/Allowable Pressure
Steel screws and bronze or cast iron nuts only

If a) applies, then the screw conforms to the Johnson formula;

$$S = \frac{W}{A_i} \left[\frac{1}{1 - \left[\frac{S_y (L/K)^2}{4C\pi^2 E} \right]} \right]$$

If b) applies, then the screw conforms to the Euler formula;

$$S = \frac{W S_y (L/K)^2}{4C\pi^2 E}$$

Having obtained a value for 'S' from one of the above equations a solution can be made for the factor of safety, taking into account all the stresses.

$$f_s = \frac{\sqrt{S_y^2}{2} + \left(\frac{S_s}{S_s} \right)^2}$$

This is then compared with the originally selected design value, and a decision can be made as to whether this is adequate, or whether another solution must be calculated.

It is advisable to check at this stage the length of the nut necessary to give acceptable bearing pressure on the thread flanks to ensure a satisfactory service life;

$$L_e = \frac{4Wp}{\pi B (d_o - d_i)}$$

The length of the nut should not exceed 3d, or manufacturing difficulties will arise, and if the nut length is found to be excessive, then re-calculation will be necessary using a larger screw diameter and alternative pitch. A multiple start thread will reduce the pitch-line sliding speed, and this alone may solve the problem of excessive bearing pressure. Finally, a check should be made on the factor of safety provided by the screw threads in shear;

$$\text{Screw } f_s = \frac{L_e \pi d_i t_i S_{sy}}{Wp} \quad \text{Nut } f_s = \frac{L_e \pi d_o t_o S_{sy}}{Wp}$$

Efficiency of a Screw Thread

$$e = \tan \lambda \left(\frac{\cos \alpha - \mu \tan \lambda}{\cos \alpha \tan \lambda + \mu} \right)$$

Self Locking Threads

A screw will be self-sustaining if μ exceeds $\cos \alpha \tan \lambda$.

Symbols Used in Equations

- A_i = Area of screw minor diameter
- B = Allowable bearing pressure (see graph)
- C = End fixity co-efficient ($C = 2$ for fixed ends)
- d = Effective diameter of thread
- d_i = Minor diameter of thread
- d_o = Major diameter of thread
- E = Modulus of elasticity of material
- f_s = Factor of safety

$$K = \sqrt{\frac{I}{A_i}} = \text{radius of gyration of cross-section}$$

- L = Length of shaft, unsupported
- L_e = Length of engagement = length of nut
- p = Pitch of thread
- P = Lead of thread (pitch \times No. of starts)
- S_s = Torsional shear stress
- S_{sy} = Shear stress yield point of material
- T = Torque
- t_i = Thread thickness, minor diameter
- t_o = Thread thickness, major diameter
- W = Axial load
- λ = Helix angle
- α = Flank angle (15° Trapezoidal)
- μ = Co-efficient of friction (can be taken as 0.15)

LINEAR MOTION

Trapezoidal Leadscrews

Load v Speed (Steel screws with Bronze nuts)

May need correction for nut length (lg)

Linear speed (mm/min):		125	250	375	500	625	750	875	1000	1250	1500	1750	2000
Tr 12x3	Rpm	42	83	125	167	208	250	292	333	417	500	583	667
25lg	Load Kg	700	560	475	400	330	280	240	200	150	100	60	60
Tr 16x4	Rpm	30	70	100	125	150	200	250	300	350	400	450	500
29lg	Load Kg	1050	860	680	610	520	380	280	220	170	120	90	68
Tr 20x4	Rpm	31	62	94	125	156	187	219	250	312	375	437	500
32lg	Load Kg	1330	1080	875	700	580	470	380	300	170	100	60	60
Tr 24x5	Rpm	25	50	75	100	125	150	175	200	250	300	350	400
45lg	Load Kg	2360	1900	1500	1220	1020	850	680	530	300	170	100	75
Tr 32x6	Rpm	21	42	63	83	104	125	146	167	208	250	292	333
60lg	Load Kg	4100	3230	2530	2050	1670	1600	1020	770	420	230	150	115
Tr 40x6	Rpm	21	42	63	83	104	125	146	167	208	250	292	333
60lg	Load Kg	4950	3630	2730	2150	1580	1470	740	500	250	150	-	-
Tr 50x8	Rpm	16	31	47	63	78	94	109	125	156	188	219	250
90lg	Load Kg	9300	6950	5300	4100	3200	2380	1700	1150	550	380	-	-
Tr 60x9	Rpm	13	25	38	50	63	75	88	100	125	150	175	200
115lg	Load Kg	14300	10800	8250	6600	5200	3950	2800	2000	1050	600	415	-

To select the correct screw for your application you will find it helpful to refer to the chart. This shows the screw required for various loads and linear speeds. It takes into account flank loads to give satisfactory life. If in compression consideration must also be given to the screw as a column. When used in tension the figures given will normally allow an adequate safety factor (steel screw with bronze nuts), use lowest figure from either table.

Bucking Load v Screw Length

Thread Dimensions	Perm-tensile force (Kg)	Screw Length (m)															
		0.15	0.20	0.30	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	2.00	2.25	2.50	3.00	4.00	5.00	
Tr 10x3	330	136	75	33	12	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tr 12x3	570	393	221	98	35	15	8	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tr 14x4	710	612	345	153	55	24	13	8	6	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-
Tr 16x4	1040	-	740	329	118	45	29	19	13	9	7	5	4	3	1	-	-
Tr 20x4	1890	-	-	1085	391	173	97	62	43	31	24	19	15	10	6	3	-
Tr 24x5	2690	-	-	2202	794	353	198	127	88	64	49	39	31	22	12	7	-
Tr 28x5	3980	-	-	-	1732	770	433	277	192	141	108	85	69	48	27	17	-
Tr 30x6	4340	-	-	-	2062	918	517	330	229	168	129	102	82	57	32	20	-
Tr 32x6	5110	-	-	-	2860	1271	715	458	318	233	178	141	114	79	44	28	-
Tr 36x6	6830	-	-	-	5120	2280	1280	820	569	418	320	253	205	142	80	51	-
Tr 40x7	8300	-	-	-	7560	3360	1890	1210	840	617	472	377	302	210	118	75	-
Tr 44x7	10460	-	-	-	-	5330	3000	1920	1332	980	750	593	480	333	187	120	-
Tr 48x8	12510	-	-	-	-	7350	3950	2610	1860	1370	1020	850	670	460	245	175	-
Tr 50x8	13530	-	-	-	-	8940	5020	3218	2230	1640	1255	993	804	558	314	201	-
Tr 52x8	14550	-	-	-	-	10530	6045	3815	2610	1925	1485	1150	940	660	375	230	-
Tr 60x9	20030	-	-	-	-	19570	11000	7050	4890	3595	2750	2178	1761	1222	688	440	-
Tr 70x10	27810	-	-	-	-	-	21200	13570	9420	6920	5300	4180	3390	2352	1325	848	-

