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List of 17 Calculation of Forces on Ocean Structures Formulas

Calculation of Forces on Ocean Structures ↗

The Keulegan-Carpenter Number ↗

1) Amplitude of Flow Velocity Oscillation ↗

fx

$$V_{fv} = \frac{K_C \cdot L}{T}$$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex

$$3.870968 \text{ m/s} = \frac{8 \cdot 30 \text{ m}}{62 \text{ s}}$$

2) Amplitude of Flow Velocity Oscillation for Sinusoidal Motion of Fluid ↗

fx

$$V_{fv} = \frac{A \cdot 2 \cdot \pi}{T}$$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex

$$4.053668 \text{ m/s} = \frac{40 \cdot 2 \cdot \pi}{62 \text{ s}}$$

3) Characteristic Length Scale of Object ↗

fx

$$L = \frac{V_{fv} \cdot T}{K_C}$$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex

$$31 \text{ m} = \frac{4 \text{ m/s} \cdot 62 \text{ s}}{8}$$



4) Characteristic Length Scale of Object given Displacement Parameter

fx $L = \frac{A}{\delta}$

Open Calculator 

ex $26.66667m = \frac{40}{1.5}$

5) Displacement Parameter for Sediment Transport for Sinusoidal Motion of Fluid

fx $\delta = \frac{K_C}{2 \cdot \pi}$

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ex $1.27324 = \frac{8}{2 \cdot \pi}$

6) Displacement Parameter for Sediment Transport under Water Waves

fx $\delta = \frac{A}{L}$

Open Calculator 

ex $1.333333 = \frac{40}{30m}$

7) Excursion Amplitude of Fluid Particles in Oscillatory Flow given Displacement Parameter

fx $A = \delta \cdot L$

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ex $45 = 1.5 \cdot 30m$



8) Keulegan-Carpenter Number ↗

$$fx \quad K_C = \frac{V_{fv} \cdot T}{L}$$

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$$ex \quad 8.266667 = \frac{4\text{m/s} \cdot 62\text{s}}{30\text{m}}$$

9) Keulegan-Carpenter Number for Sinusoidal Motion of Fluid ↗

$$fx \quad K_C = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot \delta$$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

$$ex \quad 9.424778 = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot 1.5$$

10) Period of Oscillation ↗

$$fx \quad T = \frac{K_C \cdot L}{V_{fv}}$$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

$$ex \quad 60\text{s} = \frac{8 \cdot 30\text{m}}{4\text{m/s}}$$

11) Period of Oscillation for Sinusoidal Motion of Fluid ↗

$$fx \quad T = \frac{A \cdot 2 \cdot \pi}{V_{fv}}$$

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$$ex \quad 62.83185\text{s} = \frac{40 \cdot 2 \cdot \pi}{4\text{m/s}}$$



The Morison (MOJS) Equation ↗

12) Added-Mass Coefficient for Fixed Body in Oscillatory Flow ↗

fx $C_a = C_m - 1$

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ex $4 = 5 - 1$

13) Drag Force for Fixed body in Oscillatory Flow ↗

fx $F_D = 0.5 \cdot \rho_{\text{Fluid}} \cdot C_D \cdot S \cdot V_f^2$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex $0.102913 \text{kN} = 0.5 \cdot 1.225 \text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 0.30 \cdot 5.08 \text{m}^2 \cdot (10.5 \text{m/s})^2$

14) Froude-Krylov Force ↗

fx $F_k = \rho_{\text{Fluid}} \cdot V \cdot u'$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex $6.125 \text{kN} = 1.225 \text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 50 \text{m}^3 \cdot 100 \text{m}^3/\text{s}$

15) Hydrodynamic Mass Force ↗

fx $F = \rho_{\text{Fluid}} \cdot C_a \cdot V \cdot u'$

[Open Calculator ↗](#)

ex $27.5625 \text{kN} = 1.225 \text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 4.5 \cdot 50 \text{m}^3 \cdot 100 \text{m}^3/\text{s}$

16) Inertia Coefficient for Fixed body in Oscillatory Flow ↗

fx $C_m = 1 + C_a$

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ex $5.5 = 1 + 4.5$



17) Inertia Force for Fixed body in Oscillatory Flow 

fx
$$F_i = \rho_{\text{Fluid}} \cdot C_m \cdot V \cdot u'$$

Open Calculator 

ex
$$30.625 \text{kN} = 1.225 \text{kg/m}^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 \text{m}^3 \cdot 100 \text{m}^3/\text{s}$$



Variables Used

- **A** Excursion Amplitude of Fluid Particles
- **C_a** Added Mass Coefficient
- **C_D** Drag Coefficient of Fluid
- **C_m** Inertia Coefficient
- **F** Hydrodynamic Mass Force (*Kilonewton*)
- **F_D** Drag Force (*Kilonewton*)
- **F_i** Inertia Force of Fluid (*Kilonewton*)
- **F_k** Froude-Krylov Force (*Kilonewton*)
- **K_C** Keulegan-Carpenter Number
- **L** Length Scale (*Meter*)
- **S** Reference Area (*Square Meter*)
- **T** Time Period of Oscillations (*Second*)
- **u'** Flow Acceleration (*Cubic Meter per Second*)
- **V** Volume of Body (*Cubic Meter*)
- **V_f** Flow Velocity (*Meter per Second*)
- **V_{fv}** Amplitude of Flow Velocity Oscillation (*Meter per Second*)
- **δ** Displacement Parameter
- **ρ_{Fluid}** Density of Fluid (*Kilogram per Cubic Meter*)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- Constant: **pi**, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- Measurement: **Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Volume** in Cubic Meter (m^3)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Area** in Square Meter (m^2)
Area Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Force** in Kilonewton (kN)
Force Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second (m^3/s)
Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- Measurement: **Density** in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m^3)
Density Unit Conversion 



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