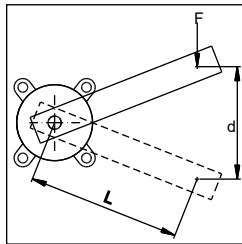


# Kinetrol Dashpot Calculations - Calculating Damping Rates

## Metric Units

### Given quantity and unit

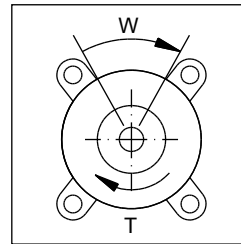
<b>F</b> N = force of weight on end of lever	<b>t</b> s = time taken to move this distance	<b>M</b> kg = mass
<b>L</b> m = effective length of lever	<b>w</b> rad/s = speed of rotation	<b>V</b> m/s = velocity of mass
<b>d</b> m = distance moved by end of lever	<b>T</b> Nm = torque applied to shaft	<b>f</b> Hz = frequency of vibration



#### 1 Steady movement in a straight line.

Required rate:

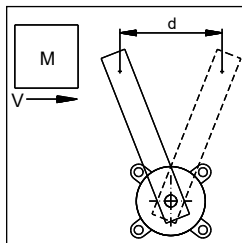
$$= \frac{FL^2t}{d} \text{ Nm/rad/s}$$



#### 2 Steady rotation.

Required rate:

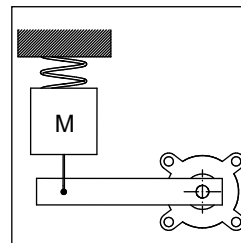
$$= \frac{T}{w} \text{ Nm/rad/s}$$



#### 3 Deceleration of mass moving in a straight line.

Required rate:

$$= \frac{MVL^2}{d} \text{ Nm/rad/s}$$



#### 4 Critical damping of vibrating mass.

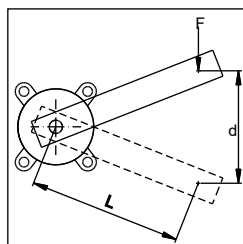
Required rate:

$$= \frac{MfL^2}{0.08} \text{ Nm/rad/s}$$

## English Units

### Given quantity and unit

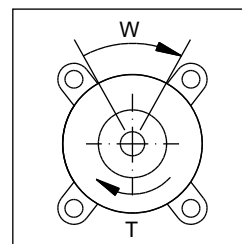
<b>F</b> lbf = force of weight on end of lever	<b>t</b> s = time taken to move this distance	<b>M</b> lbf = mass
<b>L</b> in = effective length of lever	<b>w</b> rad/s = speed of rotation	<b>V</b> in/s = velocity of mass
<b>d</b> in = distance moved by end of lever	<b>T</b> lbf.ins = torque applied to shaft	<b>f</b> Hz = frequency of vibration



#### 1 Steady movement in a straight line.

Required rate:

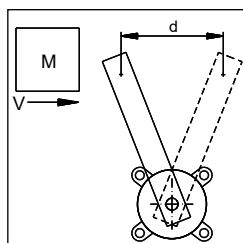
$$= \frac{FL^2t}{d} \text{ lbf.ins/rad/s}$$



#### 2 Steady rotation.

Required rate:

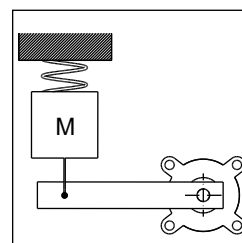
$$= \frac{T}{w} \text{ lbf.ins/rad/s}$$



#### 3 Deceleration of mass moving in a straight line.

Required rate:

$$= \frac{MVL^2}{386d} \text{ lbf.ins/rad/s}$$



#### 4 Critical damping of vibrating mass.

Required rate:

$$= \frac{MfL^2}{30.7} \text{ lbf.ins/rad/s}$$

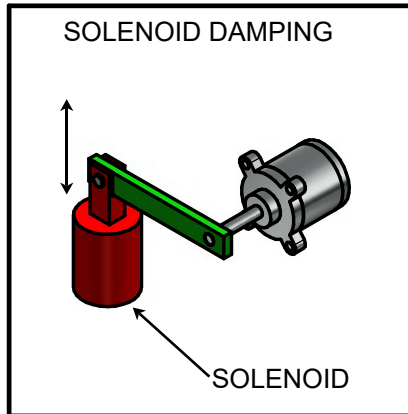
## Conversion factors

1 rad = 57.3°	1 RPM = 0.1047 rad/s	1 lbf.ins = 0.113 Nm
1 Nm = 8.85 lbf.ins	1 lbf = 4.45 N	9.81 N = 1 kgf = 1 kp

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## Sample Calculations

### Solenoid Damping

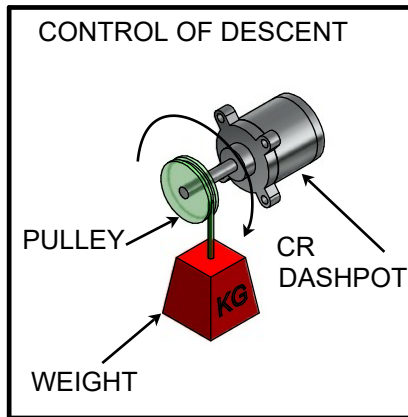


Solenoid force **F** = 10 N  
 Solenoid travel **d** = 25 mm = 0.025 m  
 Lever arm length **L** = 75 mm = 0.075 m  
 Travel time required **t** = 5 s

**Use Formula 1:** Rate =  $\frac{FL^2t}{d} = \frac{10 \times 0.075^2 \times 5}{0.025}$   
 = 11.2 Nm/rad/s (99 lbf.Ins/rad/s)

**Conclusion:** Use KD – A2

### Control of Descent

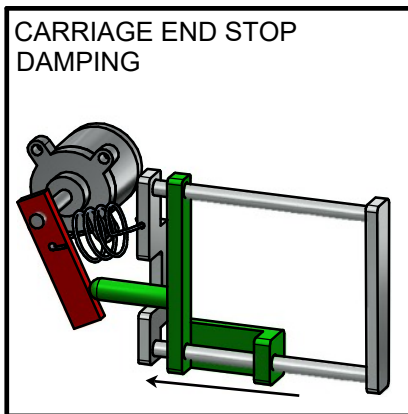


Weight = 1 kg  
 Pulley radius = 50 mm = 0.05 m  
 Speed required **V** = 100 mm/s = 0.1 m/s  
 Force **F** = 1 x 9.81 = 9.81 N  
 Torque **T** = 9.81 x 0.05 = 0.49 Nm  
 Speed of rotation **w** = 0.1 m/s ÷ 0.05 m = 2 rad/s

**Use Formula 2:** Rate =  $T/w = 0.49/2 = 0.245$  Nm/rad/s  
 This is a CR dashpot application. Find point on the S – CRD graph for torque and speed

**Conclusion:** Use S – CRD – 30,000

### Carriage Mechanism End Stop Damping



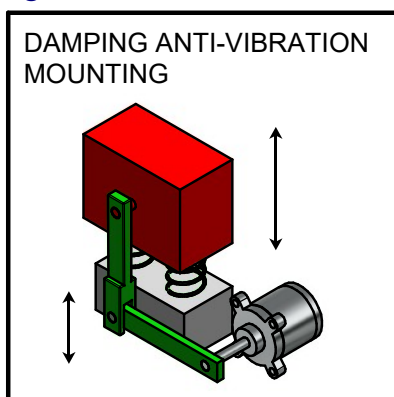
Carriage mass **M** = 10 kg  
 Velocity **V** = 1 m/s  
 Deceleration distance **d** = 50 mm = 0.05 m  
 Lever length **L** = 75 mm = 0.075 m

**Use Formula 3:** Rate =  $\frac{MVL^2}{d} = \frac{10 \times 1 \times 0.075^2}{0.05}$   
 = 1.1 Nm/rad/s (9.7 lbf.Ins/rad/s)

Check max. rotation speed = 1 m/s ÷ 0.075 m = 13.3 rad/s  
 Hence max. torque = 13.3 x 1.1 = 14.7 Nm (130 lbf.Ins)

**Conclusion:** Use KD – A1

### Damping Anti-Vibration Mounting



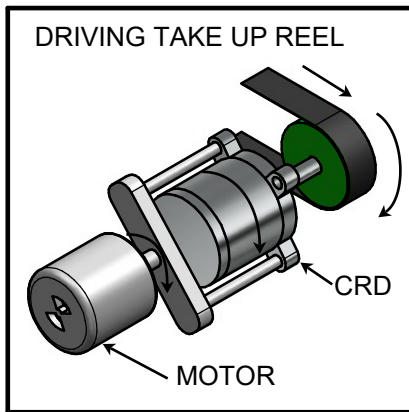
Mass **M** = 10 kg  
 Natural frequency **f** = 20 Hz  
 Lever length **L** = 100 mm = 0.10 m

**Use Formula 4:** Rate =  $\frac{MfL^2}{0.08} = \frac{10 \times 20 \times 0.1^2}{0.08}$   
 = 25 Nm/rad/s (220 lbf.Ins/rad/s)

**Conclusion:** Use KD – A3

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## Notes on Constant Tension Take Up Reel



A CR dashpot can be used as a slipping drive between a geared motor and a take up reel for winding tape or wire on to a reel. If sized correctly the tension in the tape can be maintained within reasonable limits for a ratio of maximum to minimum reel radius of up to 2.5. Difficulty sometimes arises because it is necessary to select the correct motor speed as well as dashpot rate.

### Suggested Procedure

Given:      Tape linear speed **V**      m/s  
                 Required tension **f**      N  
                 Minimum reel radius **a**      m  
                 Maximum reel radius **b**      m

$$\text{Required motor speed } n = 13 V/a \quad \text{rpm}$$

$$\text{Required damping rate } k = \frac{400 f V}{n^2} \quad \text{Nm/rad/s}$$

$$\text{CR dashpot must give torque } \frac{0.4 k V}{a}$$

At a speed of 0.4 V/a rad/s.

$$\text{Check max. Power dissipated} = k(0.1n - V/b)^2 \text{ W}$$

This must be less than 10W for S – CRD and 40W for T – CRD.