
**Plain bearings — Hydrostatic
plain journal bearings without
drainage grooves under steady-state
conditions —**

**Part 1:
Calculation of oil-lubricated plain
journal bearings without drainage
grooves**

*Paliers lisses — Paliers lisses radiaux hydrostatiques sans rainure
d'écoulement fonctionnant en régime stationnaire —*

*Partie 1: Calcul pour la lubrification des paliers lisses radiaux sans
rainure d'écoulement*



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Foreword

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- adjustment to ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2:2018;
- correction of typographical errors.

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Introduction

The functioning of hydrostatic bearings is characterized by the fact that the supporting pressure of the bearing is generated by external lubrication. The special advantages of hydrostatic bearings are lack of wear, quiet running, wide useable speed range as well as high stiffness and damping capacity. These properties are also the reason for the special importance of hydrostatic bearing units in different fields of application such as machine tools.

The bases of calculation described in this document apply to bearings with different numbers of recesses and different width/diameter ratios for identical recess geometry. In this document, only bearings without oil drainage grooves between the recesses are taken into account. As compared to bearings with oil drainage grooves, this type needs less power with the same stiffness behaviour.

The oil is fed to each bearing recess by means of a common pump with constant pump pressure (system $p_{\text{en}} = \text{constant}$) and via preceding linear restrictors (e.g. in the form of capillaries).

The calculation procedures listed in this document enable the user to calculate and assess a given bearing design as well as to design a bearing as a function of some optional parameters. Furthermore, this document contains the design of the required lubrication system including the calculation of the restrictor data.

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Part 1:

Calculation of oil-lubricated plain journal bearings without drainage grooves

1 Scope

This document specifies a calculation method of oil-lubricated plain journal bearings without drainage grooves under steady-state conditions.

It applies to hydrostatic plain journal bearings under steady-state conditions.

In this document, only bearings without oil drainage grooves between the recesses are taken into account.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 12168-2:2019, *Plain bearings — Hydrostatic plain journal bearings without drainage grooves under steady-state conditions — Part 2: Characteristic values for the calculation of oil-lubricated plain journal bearings without drainage grooves*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Symbols, terms and units

Symbols, terms and units are shown in [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Symbols, terms and units

Symbol	Term	Unit
a	Inertia factor	1
A_{lan}	Land area	m ²
A_{lan}^*	Relative land area $\left(A_{\text{lan}}^* = \frac{A_{\text{lan}}}{\pi \times B \times D} \right)$	1
A_{p}	Recess area	m ²