

Important Rayleigh and Reynolds Number Formulas PDF



Formulas Examples with Units

List of 16 Important Rayleigh and Reynolds Number Formulas

1) Bingham Number Formula

Formula

$$B_n = \frac{S_{sy} \cdot L_c}{\mu_a \cdot v}$$

Example with Units

$$7.0125 = \frac{4.25 \text{ N/m}^2 \cdot 9.9 \text{ m}}{0.1 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s} \cdot 60 \text{ m/s}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2) Bingham Number of Plastic Fluids from Isothermal Semi-circular Cylinder Formula

Formula

$$B_n = \left(\frac{\zeta_o}{\mu_B} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{D_1}{g \cdot \beta \cdot \Delta T} \right) \right)^{0.5}$$

Example with Units

$$7.0102 = \left(\frac{1202 \text{ Pa}}{10 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{5 \text{ m}}{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 3.0 \text{ K}^{-1} \cdot 50.0 \text{ K}} \right) \right)^{0.5}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3) Diameter of rotating cylinder in fluid given Reynolds number Formula

Formula

$$D = \left(\frac{Re_w \cdot v_k}{\pi \cdot w} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Example with Units

$$3.9088 \text{ m} = \left(\frac{0.6 \cdot 4 \text{ MSt}}{3.1416 \cdot 5.0 \text{ rad/s}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4) Inertia force given Reynolds number Formula

Formula

$$F_i = Re \cdot \mu$$

Example with Units

$$500000 \text{ N} = 5000 \cdot 100 \text{ N}$$

Evaluate Formula 

5) Kinematic viscosity given Reynolds number based on rotational speed Formula

Formula

$$v_k = w \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{D^2}{Re_w}$$

Example with Units

$$3.982 \text{ MSt} = 5.0 \text{ rad/s} \cdot 3.1416 \cdot \frac{3.9 \text{ m}^2}{0.6}$$

Evaluate Formula 



6) Modified Rayleigh number given Bingham number Formula

Formula

$$Ra' = \frac{Ra_c}{1 + B_n}$$

Example

$$0.0094 = \frac{0.075}{1 + 7.01}$$

Evaluate Formula 

7) Rayleigh Number Formula

Formula

$$Ra_c = G \cdot Pr$$

Example

$$0.609 = 0.87 \cdot 0.7$$

Evaluate Formula 

8) Rayleigh number based on length for annular space between concentric cylinders Formula

Formula

$$Ra_l = \frac{Ra_c}{\frac{\left(\ln \left(\frac{d_o}{d_i} \right) \right)^4}{\left(L^3 \right) \cdot \left(\left(d_i^{-0.6} \right) + \left(d_o^{-0.6} \right) \right)^5}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.258 = \frac{0.075}{\frac{\left(\ln \left(\frac{0.26 \text{ m}}{35 \text{ m}} \right) \right)^4}{\left(3 \text{ m}^3 \right) \cdot \left(\left(35 \text{ m}^{-0.6} \right) + \left(0.26 \text{ m}^{-0.6} \right) \right)^5}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Rayleigh number based on turbulence for annular space between concentric cylinders

Formula 

Formula

$$Ra_c = \left(\frac{\left(\ln \left(\frac{d_o}{d_i} \right) \right)^4 \cdot (Ra_l)}{\left(L^3 \right) \cdot \left(\left(d_i^{-0.6} \right) + \left(d_o^{-0.6} \right) \right)^5} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$0.0727 = \left(\frac{\left(\ln \left(\frac{0.26 \text{ m}}{35 \text{ m}} \right) \right)^4 \cdot (0.25)}{\left(3 \text{ m}^3 \right) \cdot \left(\left(35 \text{ m}^{-0.6} \right) + \left(0.26 \text{ m}^{-0.6} \right) \right)^5} \right)$$



10) Rayleigh number based on turbulence for concentric spheres Formula

Formula

Evaluate Formula 

$$Ra_c = \left(\frac{L \cdot Ra_i}{\left((D_i \cdot D_o)^4 \right) \cdot \left(\left(D_i^{-1.4} \right) + \left(D_o^{-1.4} \right) \right)^5 } \right)^{0.25}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3333 = \left(\frac{3_m \cdot 0.25}{\left((0.005_m \cdot 0.05_m)^4 \right) \cdot \left(\left(0.005_m^{-1.4} \right) + \left(0.05_m^{-1.4} \right) \right)^5 } \right)^{0.25}$$

11) Reynolds Number given Graetz Number Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$Re_L = Gr \cdot \frac{L}{Pr \cdot D}$$

$$879.1209 = 800 \cdot \frac{3_m}{0.7 \cdot 3.9_m}$$

12) Reynolds number given Inertia and Viscous Force Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$Re = \frac{F_i}{\mu}$$

$$5000 = \frac{500000_N}{100_N}$$

13) Reynolds number given Peclet number Formula

Formula

Example

Evaluate Formula 

$$Re = \frac{Pe}{Pr}$$

$$5000 = \frac{3500}{0.7}$$

14) Reynolds Number given Rotational Speed Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$Re_w = w \cdot \pi \cdot \frac{D^2}{\nu_k}$$

$$0.5973 = 5.0_{\text{rad/s}} \cdot 3.1416 \cdot \frac{3.9_m^2}{4_{\text{MSt}}}$$

15) Rotational speed given Reynolds number Formula

Formula

Example with Units

Evaluate Formula 

$$w = \frac{Re_w \cdot \nu_k}{\pi \cdot D^2}$$

$$5.0226_{\text{rad/s}} = \frac{0.6 \cdot 4_{\text{MSt}}}{3.1416 \cdot 3.9_m^2}$$



16) Viscous force given Reynolds number Formula

Formula

$$\mu = \frac{F_i}{Re}$$

Example with Units

$$100_N = \frac{500000_N}{5000}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Rayleigh and Reynolds Number Formulas above

- ΔT Change in Temperature (Kelvin)
- B_n Bingham Number
- D Diameter (Meter)
- D_1 Diameter of Cylinder 1 (Meter)
- d_i Inner Diameter (Meter)
- D_i Inside Diameter (Meter)
- d_o Outer Diameter (Meter)
- D_o Outside Diameter (Meter)
- F_i Inertia Force (Newton)
- g Acceleration due to Gravity (Meter per Square Second)
- G Grashof Number
- Gr Graetz Number
- L Length (Meter)
- L_c Characteristic Length (Meter)
- Pe Peclet Number
- Pr Prandtl Number
- Ra' Modified Rayleigh Number
- Ra_c Rayleigh Number(t)
- Ra_l Rayleigh Number
- Re Reynolds Number
- Re_L Reynolds Number Based on Length
- Re_w Reynolds Number(w)
- S_{sy} Shear Yield Strength (Newton per Square Meter)
- v Velocity (Meter per Second)
- ν_k Kinematic Viscosity (Megastokes)
- w Rotational Speed (Radian per Second)
- β Coefficient of Volumetric Expansion (Per Kelvin)
- ζ_o Fluid Yield Stress (Pascal)
- μ Viscous Force (Newton)
- μ_a Absolute Viscosity (Pascal Second)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Rayleigh and Reynolds Number Formulas above

- **constant(s):** π ,
3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Functions:** $\ln$, $\ln(\text{Number})$
The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e , is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Newton per Square Meter (N/m²), Pascal (Pa)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Acceleration** in Meter per Square Second (m/s²)
Acceleration Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Force** in Newton (N)
Force Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Temperature Difference** in Kelvin (K)
Temperature Difference Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Dynamic Viscosity** in Pascal Second (Pa*s)
Dynamic Viscosity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Kinematic Viscosity** in Megastokes (MSt)
Kinematic Viscosity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Angular Velocity** in Radian per Second (rad/s)
Angular Velocity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Coefficient of Linear Expansion** in Per Kelvin (K⁻¹)
Coefficient of Linear Expansion Unit Conversion 



- μ_B Plastic Viscosity (*Pascal Second*)



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