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List of 20 Water Power Engineering Formulas

Water Power Engineering

1) Average Load given Load Factor for Turbo-generators

$$fx \quad L_{Avg} = LF \cdot P_L$$

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$$ex \quad 400W = 0.1 \cdot 4kW$$

2) Energy Actually Produced given Plant Factor

$$fx \quad E = p \cdot w$$

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$$ex \quad 250kW \cdot h = 0.5 \cdot 500kW \cdot h$$

3) Load Factor for Turbo-generators

$$fx \quad LF = \frac{L_{Avg}}{P_L}$$

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$$ex \quad 0.1 = \frac{400W}{4kW}$$

4) Maximum Energy Produced using Plant Factor

$$fx \quad w = \frac{E}{p}$$

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$$ex \quad 500kW \cdot h = \frac{250kW \cdot h}{0.5}$$



5) Maximum Power Developed given Utilization Factor

$$fx \quad P = UF \cdot m$$

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$$ex \quad 5000kW = 10 \cdot 500kW$$

6) Peak Load given Load Factor for Turbo-Generators

$$fx \quad P_L = \frac{L_{Avg}}{LF}$$

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$$ex \quad 4kW = \frac{400W}{0.1}$$

7) Plant Factor

$$fx \quad p = \frac{E}{w}$$

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$$ex \quad 0.5 = \frac{250kW \cdot h}{500kW \cdot h}$$

8) Total Power that can be Developed given Utilization Factor

$$fx \quad m = \frac{P}{UF}$$

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$$ex \quad 500kW = \frac{5000kW}{10}$$



9) Utilization Factor

$$\text{fx } UF = \frac{P}{m}$$

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$$\text{ex } 10 = \frac{5000\text{kW}}{500\text{kW}}$$

Assessment of Available Power

10) Amount of Hydropower

$$\text{fx } P = \frac{\gamma_f \cdot Q_{\text{flow}} \cdot (h_{\text{location}} - H) \cdot \eta}{1000}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.113011\text{kW} = \frac{9.81\text{kN/m}^3 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot (2.9\text{m} - 2.3\text{m}) \cdot 0.80}{1000}$$

11) Effective Head given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$\text{fx } H = \frac{E}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot \eta \cdot T_w}$$

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$$\text{ex } 1.099925\text{m} = \frac{538.65\text{N}\cdot\text{m}}{9.81 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 0.80 \cdot 2.6\text{s}}$$



12) Efficiency of Hydropower Station given Amount of Hydropower

$$\text{fx } \eta = \frac{P}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot (h_{\text{location}} - H)}$$

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$$\text{ex } 5.09684 = \frac{0.72\text{kW}}{9.81 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot (2.9\text{m} - 2.3\text{m})}$$

13) Efficiency of Hydropower Station given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$\text{fx } \eta = \frac{E}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot (H - h_f) \cdot T_w}$$

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$$\text{ex } 0.799945 = \frac{538.65\text{N}^*\text{m}}{9.81 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot (2.3\text{m} - 1.2\text{m}) \cdot 2.6\text{s}}$$

14) Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$\text{fx } E = (9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot (H - h_f) \cdot \eta \cdot T_w)$$

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$$\text{ex } 538.6867\text{N}^*\text{m} = (9.81 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot (2.3\text{m} - 1.2\text{m}) \cdot 0.80 \cdot 2.6\text{s})$$

15) Head given Amount of Hydropower

$$\text{fx } H = \left(\frac{P}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot \eta} \right) + h_{\text{location}}$$

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$$\text{ex } 6.72263\text{m} = \left(\frac{0.72\text{kW}}{9.81 \cdot 24\text{m}^3/\text{s} \cdot 0.80} \right) + 2.9\text{m}$$



16) Head given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$fx \quad H = \left(\frac{E}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot \eta \cdot T_w} \right) + h_f$$

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$$ex \quad 2.299925m = \left(\frac{538.65N^*m}{9.81 \cdot 24m^3/s \cdot 0.80 \cdot 2.6s} \right) + 1.2m$$

17) Head Loss given Amount of Hydropower

$$fx \quad h_f = \left(\left(\frac{P}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot \eta} \right) - H \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 1.52263m = \left(\left(\frac{0.72kW}{9.81 \cdot 24m^3/s \cdot 0.80} \right) - 2.3m \right)$$

18) Head Loss given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$fx \quad h_f = - \left(\left(\frac{E}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot \eta \cdot T_w} \right) - H \right)$$

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$$ex \quad 1.200075m = - \left(\left(\frac{538.65N^*m}{9.81 \cdot 24m^3/s \cdot 0.80 \cdot 2.6s} \right) - 2.3m \right)$$

19) Period of Flow given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

$$fx \quad T_w = \frac{E}{9.81 \cdot q_{\text{flow}} \cdot (H - h_f) \cdot \eta}$$

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$$ex \quad 2.599823s = \frac{538.65N^*m}{9.81 \cdot 24m^3/s \cdot (2.3m - 1.2m) \cdot 0.80}$$



20) Rate of Flow of Water given Energy through Hydraulic Turbines

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$$\text{fx } Q_{\text{flow}} = \frac{E}{9.81 \cdot (H - h_f) \cdot \eta \cdot T_w}$$

$$\text{ex } 23.99836\text{m}^3/\text{s} = \frac{538.65\text{N}\cdot\text{m}}{9.81 \cdot (2.3\text{m} - 1.2\text{m}) \cdot 0.80 \cdot 2.6\text{s}}$$









Variables Used

- **E** Energy Actually Produced (*Kilowatt-Hour*)
- **E** Energy through Hydraulic Turbines (*Newton Meter*)
- **H** Head of Water (*Meter*)
- **H** Effective Head (*Meter*)
- **h_f** Head Loss (*Meter*)
- **$h_{location}$** Head Loss due to Friction (*Meter*)
- **L_{Avg}** Average Load (*Watt*)
- **LF** Load Factor
- **m** Total Power that can be Developed (*Kilowatt*)
- **p** Plant Factor
- **P** Max Power Developed (*Kilowatt*)
- **P** Amount of Hydropower (*Kilowatt*)
- **P_L** Peak Load (*Kilowatt*)
- **Q_{flow}** Rate of Flow (*Cubic Meter per Second*)
- **T_w** Time Period of Progressive Wave (*Second*)
- **UF** Utilization Factor
- **w** Max Energy Produced (*Kilowatt-Hour*)
- **γ_f** Specific Weight of Liquid (*Kilonewton per Cubic Meter*)
- **η** Efficiency of Hydropower


















Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Time** in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Energy** in Kilowatt-Hour (kW*h), Newton Meter (N*m)
Energy Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Power** in Watt (W), Kilowatt (kW)
Power Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second (m³/s)
Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Specific Weight** in Kilonewton per Cubic Meter (kN/m³)
Specific Weight Unit Conversion 



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