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List of 25 Laser Beam Machining (LBM) Formulas

Laser Beam Machining (LBM)

Cutting Rate in LBM

1) Area of Laser Beam at Focal Point

$$fx \quad A_{beam} = \frac{A_0 \cdot P_{out}}{E \cdot V_c \cdot t}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 2.09999mm^2 = \frac{0.408 \cdot 10.397W}{9.999998W/mm^3 \cdot 10.10mm/min \cdot 1.199999m}$$

2) Constant Dependent of Material

$$fx \quad A_0 = V_c \cdot \frac{E \cdot A_{beam} \cdot t}{P_{out}}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 0.408002 = 10.10mm/min \cdot \frac{9.999998W/mm^3 \cdot 2.099999mm^2 \cdot 1.199999m}{10.397W}$$

3) Cutting Rate

$$fx \quad V_c = \frac{A_0 \cdot P_{out}}{E \cdot A_{beam} \cdot t}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 10.09996mm/min = \frac{0.408 \cdot 10.397W}{9.999998W/mm^3 \cdot 2.099999mm^2 \cdot 1.199999m}$$

4) Laser Power Incident on Surface

$$fx \quad P_{out} = V_c \cdot \frac{E \cdot A_{beam} \cdot t}{A_0}$$

[Open Calculator](#)

$$ex \quad 10.39704W = 10.10mm/min \cdot \frac{9.999998W/mm^3 \cdot 2.099999mm^2 \cdot 1.199999m}{0.408}$$



5) Thickness of Material 

$$fx \quad t = \frac{A_0 \cdot P_{out}}{E \cdot A_{beam} \cdot V_c}$$

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$$ex \quad 1.199994m = \frac{0.408 \cdot 10.397W}{9.999998W/mm^3 \cdot 2.099999mm^2 \cdot 10.10mm/min}$$

6) Vaporisation Energy of Material 

$$fx \quad E = \frac{A_0 \cdot P_{out}}{V_c \cdot A_{beam} \cdot t}$$

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$$ex \quad 9.999957W/mm^3 = \frac{0.408 \cdot 10.397W}{10.10mm/min \cdot 2.099999mm^2 \cdot 1.199999m}$$

Energy Requirements in LBM 7) Ambient Temperature during LBM 

$$fx \quad \theta_{ambient} = T_m - \frac{\frac{Q \cdot (1-R)}{s \cdot V \cdot 4.2} - L_{fusion}}{c}$$

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$$ex \quad 55.01959^\circ C = 1499.999^\circ C - \frac{\frac{4200J \cdot (1-0.50)}{2.4 \cdot 0.04m^3 \cdot 4.2} - 4599.997J/kg}{0.421J/kg * ^\circ C}$$

8) Energy Required to Melt Metal in LBM 

$$fx \quad Q = \frac{\rho_m \cdot V \cdot (c \cdot (T_m - \theta_{ambient}) + L_{fusion})}{1 - R}$$

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$$ex \quad 4200J = \frac{10.08kg/m^3 \cdot 0.04m^3 \cdot (0.421J/kg * ^\circ C \cdot (1499.999^\circ C - 55.02^\circ C) + 4599.997J/kg)}{1 - 0.50}$$



9) Latent Heat of Fusion of Metal 

fx $L_{\text{fusion}} = \frac{Q \cdot (1 - R)}{s \cdot V \cdot 4.2} - c \cdot (T_m - \theta_{\text{ambient}})$

Open Calculator 

ex $4599.997 \text{ J/kg} = \frac{4200 \text{ J} \cdot (1 - 0.50)}{2.4 \cdot 0.04 \text{ m}^3 \cdot 4.2} - 0.421 \text{ J/kg}^* \text{ }^\circ \text{C} \cdot (1499.999 \text{ }^\circ \text{C} - 55.02 \text{ }^\circ \text{C})$

10) Melting Temperature of Metal 

fx $T_m = \frac{\frac{Q \cdot (1 - R)}{s \cdot V \cdot 4.2} - L_{\text{fusion}}}{c} + \theta_{\text{ambient}}$

Open Calculator 

ex $1499.999 \text{ }^\circ \text{C} = \frac{\frac{4200 \text{ J} \cdot (1 - 0.50)}{2.4 \cdot 0.04 \text{ m}^3 \cdot 4.2} - 4599.997 \text{ J/kg}}{0.421 \text{ J/kg}^* \text{ }^\circ \text{C}} + 55.02 \text{ }^\circ \text{C}$

11) Reflectivity of Material 

fx $R = 1 - \frac{s \cdot V \cdot (c \cdot (T_m - \theta_{\text{ambient}}) + L_{\text{fusion}}) \cdot 4.2}{Q}$

Open Calculator 

ex $0.5 = 1 - \frac{2.4 \cdot 0.04 \text{ m}^3 \cdot (0.421 \text{ J/kg}^* \text{ }^\circ \text{C} \cdot (1499.999 \text{ }^\circ \text{C} - 55.02 \text{ }^\circ \text{C}) + 4599.997 \text{ J/kg}) \cdot 4.2}{4200 \text{ J}}$

12) Specific Gravity of given Metal 

fx $s = \frac{Q \cdot (1 - R)}{V \cdot (c \cdot (T_m - \theta_{\text{ambient}}) + L_{\text{fusion}}) \cdot 4.2}$

Open Calculator 

ex $2.4 = \frac{4200 \text{ J} \cdot (1 - 0.50)}{0.04 \text{ m}^3 \cdot (0.421 \text{ J/kg}^* \text{ }^\circ \text{C} \cdot (1499.999 \text{ }^\circ \text{C} - 55.02 \text{ }^\circ \text{C}) + 4599.997 \text{ J/kg}) \cdot 4.2}$



13) Specific Heat Capacity of Metal ↗

$$fx \quad c = \frac{\frac{Q \cdot (1-R)}{s \cdot V \cdot 4.2} - L_{\text{fusion}}}{T_m - \theta_{\text{ambient}}}$$

Open Calculator ↗

$$ex \quad 0.421 \text{J/kg}^* \text{°C} = \frac{\frac{4200 \text{J} \cdot (1-0.50)}{2.4 \cdot 0.04 \text{m}^3 \cdot 4.2} - 4599.997 \text{J/kg}}{1499.999 \text{°C} - 55.02 \text{°C}}$$

14) Volume of Metal Melted ↗

$$fx \quad V = \frac{Q \cdot (1-R)}{s \cdot (c \cdot (T_m - \theta_{\text{ambient}}) + L_{\text{fusion}}) \cdot 4.2}$$

Open Calculator ↗

$$ex \quad 0.04 \text{m}^3 = \frac{4200 \text{J} \cdot (1-0.50)}{2.4 \cdot (0.421 \text{J/kg}^* \text{°C} \cdot (1499.999 \text{°C} - 55.02 \text{°C}) + 4599.997 \text{J/kg}) \cdot 4.2}$$

Metal Diffusivity ↗**15) Diffusivity of Metal ↗**

$$fx \quad D = \frac{0.38 \cdot t^2}{\Delta T}$$

Open Calculator ↗

$$ex \quad 0.053647 \text{m}^2/\text{s} = \frac{0.38 \cdot (1.199999 \text{m})^2}{10.20 \text{s}}$$

16) Minimum Thickness of Metal ↗

$$fx \quad t = \sqrt{\frac{D \cdot \Delta T}{0.38}}$$

Open Calculator ↗

$$ex \quad 1.199999 \text{m} = \sqrt{\frac{0.053647 \text{m}^2/\text{s} \cdot 10.20 \text{s}}{0.38}}$$



17) Time Duration of Laser Beam 

$$fx \Delta T = \frac{0.38 \cdot t^2}{D}$$

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$$ex 10.19999s = \frac{0.38 \cdot (1.19999m)^2}{0.053647m^2/s}$$

Power Density of Laser Beam 18) Beam Divergence 

$$fx \alpha = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot P}{\pi \cdot f_{lens}^2 \cdot \delta_p \cdot \Delta T}}$$

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$$ex 0.001232rad = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot 10.39W}{\pi \cdot (3.00m)^2 \cdot 9.49W/cm^2 \cdot 10.20s}}$$

19) Beam Divergence given Diameter of Spot 

$$fx \alpha = \frac{d_{spot}}{f_{lens}}$$

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$$ex 0.001233rad = \frac{0.0037m}{3.00m}$$

20) Diameter of Spot Produced by Laser 

$$fx d_{spot} = f_{lens} \cdot \alpha$$

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$$ex 0.003696m = 3.00m \cdot 0.001232rad$$

21) Focal Length given Diameter of Spot 

$$fx f_{lens} = \frac{d_{spot}}{\alpha}$$

[Open Calculator !\[\]\(6befd466863f06afb75445d91429f055_img.jpg\)](#)

$$ex 3.003247m = \frac{0.0037m}{0.001232rad}$$



22) Focal Length of Lens**Open Calculator**

$$f_{\text{lens}} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot P}{\pi \cdot \delta_p \cdot \alpha^2 \cdot \Delta T}}$$

$$\text{ex} \quad 3.000675\text{m} = \sqrt{\frac{4 \cdot 10.39\text{W}}{\pi \cdot 9.49\text{W/cm}^2 \cdot (0.001232\text{rad})^2 \cdot 10.20\text{s}}}$$

23) Laser Energy Output**Open Calculator**

$$P = \frac{\delta_p \cdot \pi \cdot f_{\text{lens}}^2 \cdot \alpha^2 \cdot \Delta T}{4}$$

$$\text{ex} \quad 10.38533\text{W} = \frac{9.49\text{W/cm}^2 \cdot \pi \cdot (3.00\text{m})^2 \cdot (0.001232\text{rad})^2 \cdot 10.20\text{s}}{4}$$

24) Power Density of Laser Beam**Open Calculator**

$$\delta_p = \frac{4 \cdot P}{\pi \cdot f_{\text{lens}}^2 \cdot \alpha^2 \cdot \Delta T}$$

$$\text{ex} \quad 9.49427\text{W/cm}^2 = \frac{4 \cdot 10.39\text{W}}{\pi \cdot (3.00\text{m})^2 \cdot (0.001232\text{rad})^2 \cdot 10.20\text{s}}$$

25) Pulse Duration of Laser**Open Calculator**

$$\Delta T = \frac{4 \cdot P}{\pi \cdot f_{\text{lens}}^2 \cdot \alpha^2 \cdot \delta_p}$$

$$\text{ex} \quad 10.20459\text{s} = \frac{4 \cdot 10.39\text{W}}{\pi \cdot (3.00\text{m})^2 \cdot (0.001232\text{rad})^2 \cdot 9.49\text{W/cm}^2}$$



Variables Used

- A_0 Empirical Constant
- A_{beam} Laser Beam Area at Focal Point (Square Millimeter)
- C Specific Heat Capacity (Joule per Kilogram per Celcius)
- D Metal Diffusivity (Square Meter Per Second)
- d_{spot} Spot Diameter (Meter)
- E Vaporisation Energy of Material (Watt Per Cubic Millimeter)
- f_{lens} Focal Length of Lens (Meter)
- L_{fusion} Latent Heat of Fusion (Joule per Kilogram)
- P Laser Energy Output (Watt)
- P_{out} Laser Energy during Cut Rate (Watt)
- Q Heat Energy (Joule)
- R Material Reflectivity
- S Specific Gravity of Material
- t Thickness (Meter)
- T_m Melting Temperature of Base Metal (Celsius)
- V Volume of Metal Melted (Cubic Meter)
- V_c Cutting Rate (Millimeter per Minute)
- α Beam Divergence (Radian)
- δ_p Power Density of Laser Beam (Watt per Square Centimeter)
- ΔT Laser Beam Duration (Second)
- $\theta_{ambient}$ Ambient Temperature (Celsius)
- ρ_m Metal Density (Kilogram per Cubic Meter)



Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:** pi, 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288
Archimedes' constant
- **Function:** sqrt, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement:** Length in Meter (m)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Time in Second (s)
Time Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Temperature in Celsius (°C)
Temperature Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Volume in Cubic Meter (m³)
Volume Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Area in Square Millimeter (mm²)
Area Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Speed in Millimeter per Minute (mm/min)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Energy in Joule (J)
Energy Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Power in Watt (W)
Power Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Angle in Radian (rad)
Angle Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Specific Heat Capacity in Joule per Kilogram per Celcius (J/kg*°C)
Specific Heat Capacity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Heat Flux Density in Watt per Square Centimeter (W/cm²)
Heat Flux Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Density in Kilogram per Cubic Meter (kg/m³)
Density Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Latent Heat in Joule per Kilogram (J/kg)
Latent Heat Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement:** Power Density in Watt Per Cubic Millimeter (W/mm³)
Power Density Unit Conversion 



- **Measurement:** **Diffusivity** in Square Meter Per Second (m^2/s)

Diffusivity Unit Conversion 



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