

4.3. When the Spline Shaft Simultaneously Receives a Bending Load and a Torsion Load

When the spline shaft of a Ball Spline receives a bending load and a torsion load simultaneously, calculate two separate spline shaft diameters: one for the equivalent bending moment (M_e) and the other for the equivalent torsion moment (T_e). Then, use the greater value as the spline shaft diameter.

Equivalent bending moment

$$M_e = \frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{2} = \frac{M}{2} \left\{ 1 + \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{T}{M} \right)^2} \right\} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$M_e = \sigma \cdot Z$$

Equivalent torsion moment

$$T_e = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = M \cdot \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{T}{M} \right)^2} \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

$$T_e = \tau_a \cdot Z_p$$