**ALM Ball Spline** 



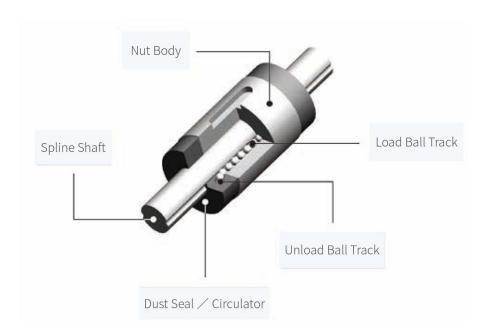
#### ALM Ball Spline

#### **Basic Structure of ALM Ball Spline**

The design of ALM Ball spline is to utilize the friction through the contact of steel balls within in the Spline Nut and the grooves on the Spline Shaft. With ALM'S unique 40° angular contact design which enables the Ball spline delivers high sensitivity and extreme high load carrying capacity. The concept is optimal for the application involve with high speed, vibration, impacts of loading and precise positioning requirements. Also when the Ball spline is used to function as linear bushing, the Ball spline provides ten times loading capacity than the linear bush on the like model but with a compact profile. Namely, Durability and reliablility is the reason to choose ALM Ball spline in your application.

**Nut Design and Shaft Specifications** 

ALM Spline Nut is available in four different designs: SLF (Flange design), SLT (Non-flange design), SOF (Cylindrical flange design), SOT (Round design), Point of contacts on the Spline shaft is provided in two grooves (180°) (SLF/SLT 6~20), (SOT/ SOF 8~25) and four grooves (70°) base on the diameter of the Spline shaft. Also TBI provides Hollow Spline shaft for alternative.



#### **Features of ALM Ball Spline**

#### High Load-Carrying Capacity

Every groove on the ALM Spline shaft is precision ground to form a perfect 40° angular contact point. The concept of 40° contact design is to increases the load carrying capacity and rigidity to handle a greater moment

#### Zero Angular Clearance / Backlash

Grooves on the ALM Spline shaft is precision ground to form a perfect Gothic arch. The design eliminates clearance that could generate deflections, and therefore best suited for the applications that required high precision.

#### **High Sensitivity**

The unique ALM 40° angular contact is designed to operate with the minimum friction while the design performs high sensitivity and rigidity.

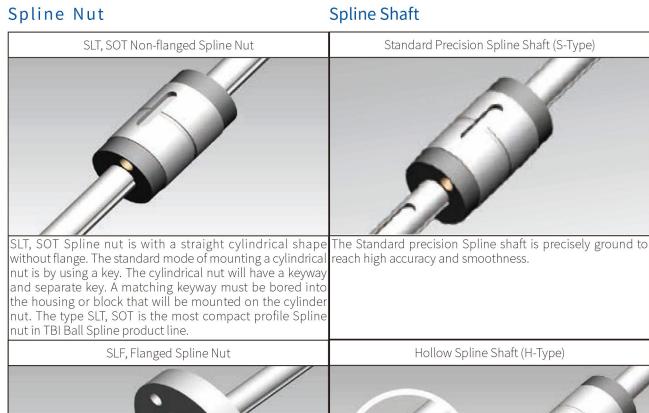
#### **High Rigidity**

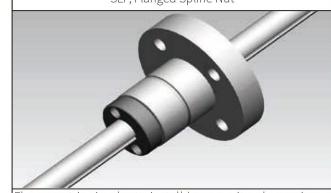
A wide contact angle and an appropriate level of preload are combined to provide high rigidity and stiffness.

#### Mount-Simple on Design

ALM Ball Spline is low maintenance design, therefore, when removing the spline nut is necessary due to the ball retaining design the steel balls will not fall apart like the traditional nut design.

## **ALM Ball Spline Type and Feature**





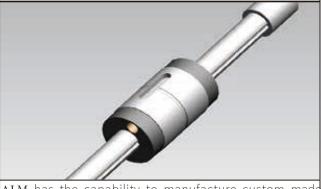


Hollow Spline shaft is optional for the customer to choose rough bore and mounting holes drilled and tapped to secure for its application. Hollow Spline shaft is designed to reduce reight, accommodate pipes and ventilation.



The nut with square flange is easy to be installed to the ALM has the capability to manufacture custom mad housing through mounting holes and will be applied to 3C industry and semiconductor industry.





Spline shaft by machining it to meet the requirements of special Spline Shaft shape. For example, a shaft with pigger diameter on both ends or on the center of Spline haft can be manufactured upon request.



The Strength of Spline Shaft



## The Procedure of Select Ball Spline

Steps	Descripion		
1.Set the Operational conditions	<ul> <li>Stroke Length: Ls</li> <li>Velocity: V</li> <li>The Applied Load: W</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Installation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Operation environment</li> <li>Service life expectancy</li> <li>Accuracy</li> <li>Frequency of use (load cycle)</li> <li>Rigidity</li> </ul>	
2.Select a Type	Refer to Type, Shaft Spec to de	etermine the your Ballspline.	
3. Calculating the strength of Spline shaft	<ul> <li>Spline Shaft Diameter</li> <li>Spline-Shaft Length</li> <li>End Fixity</li> <li>The permissible load of Ballspline</li> <li>The displacement under torque and deflection</li> </ul>		
4.Service expectancy	IF — Calculating TBI Ball spline service life expectancy by using expectancy formula.  NO — Required service life.		
5.Determined the preload	Determined the permissible a	xial clearance/ backlash	
6.Determine the Accuracy Grade	Accuracy Grades		
7.Operational condition	<ul> <li>Lubrication</li> <li>Lubrication methods</li> <li>Surface treatment</li> <li>Dust prevention methods</li> </ul>		
	Selected		

The Spline shaft is designed to absorb radial load and torque during operation. Therefore, the strength of Spline shaft must be taken into consideration when the Ball spline operates under extreme loading or torque.

## The Bending Load Applied on the Operating Ball Spline

The maximum of bending moment (M) can be attributed to multi-factor such as the end fixity methods, length of Spline shaft, load capacity, etc. Equation (1) is equipped to help the user to obtain the ideal length of the Spline shaft in order to be the reference of obtaining the ideal strength of Ball spline.

 $M = \sigma \cdot Z \otimes Z = M/\sigma \dots (1)$ 

M: Bending moment (N-mm)

σ: Shaft permissible bending stress (98 N/mm²)

Z: Shaft section modulus (mm<sup>3</sup>)

\*Refer to Table 2.1.2, 2.1.3

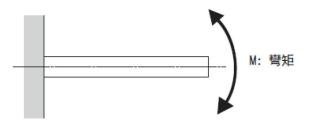


Fig 2.1.1

## The Torque Applied on the Operating Ball Spline

The maximum torque applied on the Spline shaft can be calculated through maximum twisting moment (T). Equation (2) is equipped to help the user to obtain the ideal length of the Spline shaft.

 $T = \tau_a \cdot Z_P \stackrel{\cdot}{\text{!`}} Z_P = T/\tau_a \dots (2)$ 

T: Maximum twisting moment (N · mm)

τa: Shaft permissible twisting Stress (49 N/mm²)

Zp: Shaft polar section modulus (mm³)

\*\*Refer to Table 2.1.2, 2.1.3

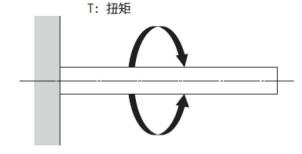


Fig 2.1.2



## The Strength of Spline Shaft

## Both Bending Moment and Twisting Moment Applied Simultaneously on the Spline Shaft

To calculate the figure for both bending (M) and twisting moments (T) applied on the Spline shaft via equation (3) and (4) get the equivalent bending moment (Me) and equivalent twisting moment (Te). Adopt the greater value from equation (3) and (4) to determine the ideal Spline-shaft length.

Equivalent Bending Moment

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

$$Me = \sigma \cdot Z$$

**Equivalent Twisting Moment** 

Te = 
$$\sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$$
 =  $M \cdot \sqrt{1 + (\frac{T}{M})^2}$  .....(4)

Te = 
$$\tau_a \cdot Z_P$$

## **Rigidity of the Spline Shaft**

The rigidity of the Spline Shaft is expressed in torsion angle caused by twisting moment. The twisting angle should be limited to no further than 0.25° per 1000 mm.

$$\theta = 57.3 \cdot \frac{T \times L}{G \times lp} \dots (5)$$

Shaft Rigidity = Torsion Angle / Unit Length =  $\frac{\theta \cdot \ell}{L} < \frac{1^{\circ}}{2}$ 

 $\theta$  : Torsion Angle (°)

L: Shaft Length (mm) G: Shear Elastic Modulus (7.9×10<sup>4</sup>N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

l: Unit Length (1000mm)

Ip: Polar Moment of Inertia Ip (mm<sup>4</sup>)

\*\*Table 2.1.2, 2.1.3

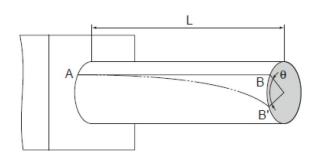


Fig 2.1.3

## The Strength of Spline Shaft

## **Deflection and Deflection Angle of the Spline Shaft**

These should be calculated by using equations that satisfying the relevant operating conditions. Table 2.1.1 presents the operating conditions and the corresponding equations. Tables 2.1.2 & 2.1.3 presents the cross-section factors (Z) and cross-section secondary moments (I). Through the use of the Z, I values given in these tables, the strength and degree of displacement (deflection) of Ball spline model can be obtained.

End Fixity	Specification Conditions	Deflection Equation	Deflection-Angle Equation
Both Ends Free	VE P 12	$\delta_{\text{max}} = \frac{\text{Pl}^3}{48\text{EI}}$	$i 1 = 0$ $i 2 = \frac{P\ell^2}{16EI}$
Both Ends Fixed	VEUN P P P	$\delta_{\text{max}} = \frac{P\ell^3}{192EI}$	$\dot{t} 1 = 0$ $\dot{t} 2 = 0$
Both Ends Free	<b>均佈負荷 p</b>	$\delta_{\text{max}} = \frac{5P\ell^4}{384EI}$	<i>i</i> 2=  Pℓ³ / 24EI
Both Ends Fixed	<b>均佈負荷 p</b>	$\delta_{\text{max}} = \frac{P\ell^4}{384EI}$	<i>i</i> / 2 = 0

δmax: Maximum Deflection (mm)

i<sub>1</sub>: Deflection Angle at a Loading Point (deg)

i<sub>2</sub>: Deflection Angle at a Supporting Point (deg)

M<sub>o</sub>: Moment (N-mm)

P: Concentrated Load (N)

p:Uniform Load (N/mm)

i : Span (mm)

1: Geometrical Moment of Inertia (mm<sup>4</sup>)

E: Longitudinal Elastic Modulus (2.06/10<sup>5</sup>N/mm<sup>2</sup>)



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#### **Critical Speed of Spline Shaft**

When an operating Ball spline reaches critical speed, the mechanical resonance occurs, no further operation can be performed. Namely, to keep Ball Spline under ideal operational, the speed limit must be kept under monitor. Therefore, to set an ideal operational speed for safety factor must be settled as 80% of critical speed as shown on equation.

#### Critical Speed

$$N_c: \frac{60\lambda^2}{2\pi \times \ell_b^2} \times \sqrt{\frac{E \times 10^3 \times I}{\gamma \times A}} \times 0.8 ...(6)$$

N<sub>c</sub>: Critical Shaft Speed (min<sup>-1</sup>)

b: Center Distance (mm)

E: Young's Modulus (2.06. 10<sup>5</sup>N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

1: Moment of Inertia of the Shaft (mm<sup>4</sup>)

 $I = \frac{\pi}{64} d_1^4$ 

d1: Diameter (mm)

c: Density (Specific Gravity) (7.85. 10<sup>-6</sup>kg/mm<sup>3</sup>)

 $A = \frac{\pi}{4} d_1^2$ 

d<sub>1</sub>: Diameter (mm)

A: Spline-Shaft Cross-Sectional Area (mm<sup>2</sup>)

λ: Installation-Method-Dependent Factor

(Fig 2.1.4) Fixed-Free  $\lambda$ = 1.875

(Fig 2.1.5) Supported-Supported  $\lambda$ = 3.142

(Fig 2.1.6) Fixed-Supported  $\lambda$ = 3.927

(Fig 2.1.7) Fixed-Fixed  $\lambda$ = 4.73

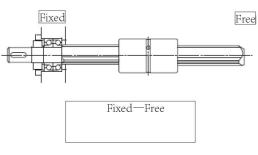


Fig 2.1.4

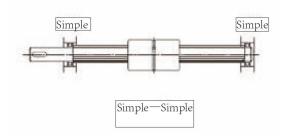


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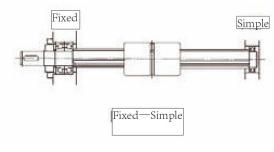


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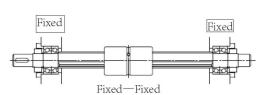


Fig 2.1.7

## **Spline-Shaft Cross-Section**

Nominal	Diameter	I (mm <sup>4</sup> )	I <sub>P</sub> (mm <sup>4</sup> )	Z (mm³)	$Z_P$ (mm <sup>3</sup> )
ST 006	Solid	63.49	119.23	18.58	39.74
SL 006	Hollow	62.70	117.33	18.32	39.22
SL 008	Solid	200.93	387.53	46.65	96.88
SL 008	Hollow	196.96	379.57	45.65	94.89
SL 010	Solid	490.25	933.29	86.61	186.66
3L 010	Hollow	477.68	908.16	86.10	181.63
CL 012	Solid	1400.81	2691.54	198.57	414.08
SL 013	Hollow	1282.96	2455.82	180.44	377.82
SL 016	Solid	3215.60	6242.70	378.39	780.34
SL 016	Hollow	3014.53	5840.57	353.25	730.07
SL 020	Solid	7851.80	15336.59	748.48	1533.66
SL 020	Hollow	7360.93	14354.84	699.39	1435.48
SL 025	Solid	18466.30	36932.60	1477.30	2954.61
SL 025	Hollow	15981.25	31962.50	1278.50	2557.00
CL 020	Solid	33122.31	77392.48	2579.75	4416.31
SL 030	Hollow	29905.32	70958.50	2365.28	3987.38
CL 022	Solid	50322.85	100645.70	3145.18	6290.36
SL 032	Hollow	36586.19	73172.38	2286.64	4573.27
SI 040	Solid	120667.43	241334.90	6033.37	12066.74
SL 040	Hollow	112813.45	225626.90	5640.67	11281.35
CL OFO	Solid	297123.73	594247.50	11884.95	23769.90
SL 050	Hollow	274691.98	549384.00	10987.68	21975.36

1: Geometrical moment of inertia (mm<sup>4</sup>)

Z: Section modulus (mm<sup>3</sup>)

I<sub>P</sub>: Polar moment of inertia (mm<sup>4</sup>)

 $Z_p$ : Polar section modulus (mm<sup>3</sup>)

Nominal	Nominal Diameter		I <sub>P</sub> (mm⁴)	Z (mm³)	Z <sub>P</sub> (mm³)
SO 008	Solid	200.95	389.81	47.22	97.45
30 008	Hollow	196.97	381.86	46.22	95.46
SO 010	Solid	490.68	956.77	93.22	191.35
30 010	Hollow	478.11	931.64	90.71	186.33
SO 012	Solid	1017.67	1998.75	163.51	333.13
30 012	Hollow	954.05	1871.52	152.91	311.92
SO 015	Solid	1678.22	3241.10	212.50	476.63
SO 020	Solid	5382.92	10422.07	553.75	1145.28
SO 025	Solid	12796.48	24659.94	1048.86	2182.30

I: Geometrical moment of inertia (mm<sup>4</sup>)

Z: Section modulus (mm³)

I<sub>P</sub>: Polar moment of inertia (mm<sup>4</sup>)

Z<sub>P</sub>: Polar section modulus (mm<sup>3</sup>)



## Service Life Expectancy

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#### **Nominal Service Life**

ALM define the nominal service life of Ball Spline as 90% of the average running distance before flaking within in the Ball Spline on the same manufacture cycle. Please note that the nominal life expectancy is only for reference use.

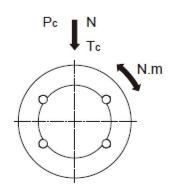


Fig 2.2.1

## **Calculating Nominal Service Life**

The factors which influence the service life for Ball Splines can be attributed to three main aspects, the torque, radial load and moment. The influence of each aspect can be calculated through equations (7) to (10).

Under a Torque

$$L = \left[ \frac{f_T \cdot f_C}{f_W} \cdot \frac{C_T}{T_C} \right]^3 \cdot 50 \dots (7)$$

Under a Radial Load

$$L = \left[ \frac{f_{\text{T}} \cdot f_{\text{C}}}{f_{\text{W}}} \cdot \frac{C}{P_{\text{C}}} \right]^{3} \cdot 50 \dots (8)$$

L : Nominal Service Life (km) CT : Basic Dynamic-Torque (N-m)

TC: Calculated Torque Applied (N-m)
C: Basic Dynamic-Load Rating (N)

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fT: Temperature (See Fig 2.2.2) fC: Contact (See Table 2.2.1) fw: Load Fa (See Table 2.2.2)

Obtain the equivalent radial load using the equation, and determine the service life by equation (10).

BCD: Ball Center to Center Shaft Diameter (mm)

 $PU = K \cdot M \dots (10)$ 

PU: Equivalent Radial Load (N)(Moment Applied)

Under both a torque and radial load applied simultaneously

 $PE = Pc + \frac{4 \cdot Tc \cdot 10^3}{i \cdot BCD \cdot \cos \alpha} \dots (9)$ 

determine service life by equation (9).

PE: Equivalent radial Load (N)

i: Number of Loaded Rows of Balls

cosα: Contact Angle

(See Table 3.1.1)

In this case, calculate the equivalent radial load to

K: Equivalent Factor (See Table 2.2.3)

Under both a moment and radial load applied simultaneously M: Applied Moment (N-mm)

However, M should be within the range of the stacic permissible moment.

Calculate the service life from the sum of the radial load and the equivalent radial load.

## Calculating Nominal Service Life

Once the nominal life (L) is obtained, if the stroke length and the number of reciprocal operations are consistent, the service life in hours can be obtained by using the following equation.

$$L_h = \frac{L \cdot 10^3}{2 \cdot \ell s \cdot n_1 \cdot 60}$$

L<sub>h</sub>: Service Life in Hours (h) l<sub>s</sub>: Stroke Length (m)

n<sub>1</sub>: Number of Reciprocal Operations per Minute (min<sup>-1</sup>)

## Temperature Factor (f<sub>T</sub>)

When the Ball Spline operates in an environment which the temperature reaches 100  $\,^{\circ}$  C or higher, considering that the heat may adversely affect the operation of the Ball Spline. To avoid malfunction under extreme temperature, Fig 2.2.2 should be taken into consideration. In addition that the material of Ball Spline should be heat resistant and custom made when use under extreme environment.

 $\mbox{\%}$  Please inform TBI sales for upgrading the material for the operation environment exceeds 80  $^{\circ}$  C for the reason that the materials of seal and retainers should be upgraded to sustain the high-temperature.

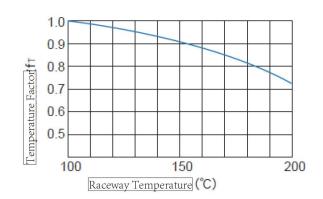


Fig 2.2.2 Temperature Factor (fT)

## Contact Factor (f<sub>c</sub>)

When one or multiple Spline nuts are mounted on the Spline shaft closeley, their linear motion is affected by moments and mounting accuracy, resulting in nonuniform load distribution. When closely linked spline nuts are used, multiply the basic load rating (C or Co) by one of the contact factors specified below.

%If a nonuniform load distribution is expected, as in large equipment, take the contact factor explained in Table 4 into account.

表 2.2.1

No. of Spline nuts Linked	f <sub>c</sub>
2	0.81
3	0.72
4	0.66
5	0.61
In Normal Use	1.0

## Load Factor (f<sub>w</sub>)

The operation of reciprocal machines is likely to cause vibration and impact. It is difficult to determine the rating of vibration, impact in the event of vibration, and repeated impact during high speed operation, and triggering and ceasing of operation. Therefore, when loads exerted on a linear-motion or operation velocity and vibration is extreme. Take the basic load rating (C or Co) and multiply the figure shown in table 2.2.2

#### 表 2.2.2

Vibration Impact	Velocity (V)	fW
Minor	Minor velocity V ≦ 0.25 m/s	1- 1.2
Little	Low velocity $0.25 < V \le 1.0 \text{ m/s}$	1.2- 1.5
Medium	Medium Velocity 1.0 < V ≦ 2.0 m/s	1.5- 2.0
Heavy	High velocity V > 2.0 m/s	2.0- 3.5



## Service Life Expectancy

## **Calculating the Average Applied Load**

The applied load fluctuates during the operation, for instance the applied load is different during the activities of an industrial robotic arm, industrial robot arm initiates with a workpiece and returns without one, the Ball Spline nut receives variable loads. The fluctuation of applied load influence the service life of Ball Spline, therefore the calculation of service life must take such fluctuation into consideration. When the service life of a Ball Spline with variable load is equal to the one with certain load then that certain load is called the Mean Load.

The Equation is as below

$$Pm = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{L} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{n} (P_n^3 \cdot L_n)}$$

P<sub>m</sub>: Mean Load (N)

P<sub>n</sub>: Fluctuating Load (N)
L: Total Stroke
L<sub>n</sub>: Stroke under Load P<sub>n</sub> (mm)

For Loads That Change Stepwise

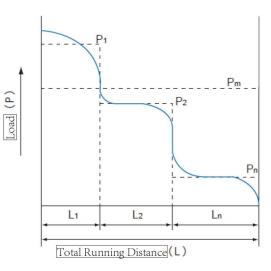
For Loads That Change Monotonically

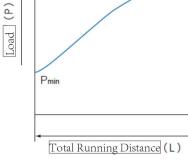
$$P_{m} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{L} (P_{1}^{3} \cdot L_{1} + P_{2}^{3} \cdot L_{2} ..... P_{n}^{3} \cdot L_{n})} \qquad P_{m} = \frac{1}{3} (P_{min} + 2 \cdot P_{max})$$

P<sub>m</sub>: Mean Load (N) P<sub>n</sub>: Fluctuating Load (N) P<sub>min</sub>: Minimum Load (N) P<sub>max</sub>: Maximum Load (N)

L: Total Running Distance (mm)







 $P_{m}$ 

Fig 2.2.3



## For Loads That Change Sinusoidal

(a) 
$$P_m = 0.65 P_{max}$$

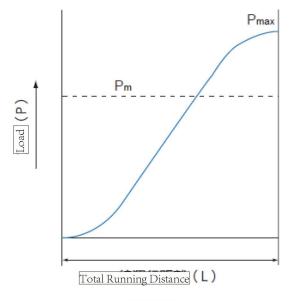


Fig 2.2.5

# (b) $P_m = 0.75 P_{max}$

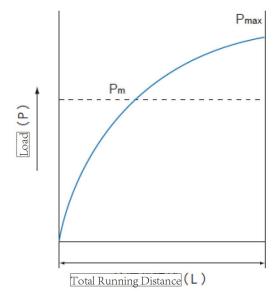


Fig 2.2.6

## **Equivalent Factor**

#### Table 2.2.3

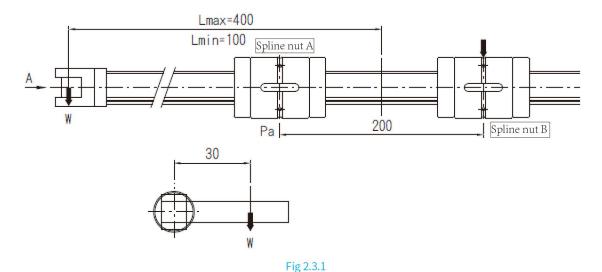
Model No.	Equivalent Factor: K		
Model No.	One Spline Nut	Two Spline Nuts	
SL 06	0.577	0.065	
SL 08	0.577	0.059	
SL 10	0.418	0.047	
SL 13	0.360	0.043	
SL 16	0.229	0.033	
SL 20	0.201	0.029	
SL 25	0.154	0.023	
SL 30	0.126	0.021	
SL 32	0.114	0.019	
SL 40	0.110	0.016	
SL 50	0.109	0.013	

Model No.	Equivalent Factor: K		
Model No.	One Spline Nut	Two Spline Nuts	
SO 08	0.400	0.061	
SO 10	0.308	0.052	
SO 12	0.253	0.046	
SO 15	0.219	0.040	
SO 20	0.186	0.031	
SO 25	0.154	0.026	

## Calculating the Service Life

#### Horizontal Application

A 300 mm long Ball Spline supported by two fixed nuts in a horizontal application, the load of the Spline falls vertically downward on the fixed side with 30 mm away from the center of ball spline with the gravity force of W = 30 kg. The figure is shown as Fig 2.3.1



#### A.Calculates the Spline Shaft Strength

The presented structure of ball spline is an extended bridge, it is designed to absorb torque, therefore, the maximum bending load occurs on Spline nut A:

Maximum Bending Moment M = 30•9.81•400 = 117720 N-mm

Maximum Torsion Moment T = 30.9.81.30 = 8829 N-mm

For Ball Spline shafts subjected to the simultaneous application of torsion and bending loads, thus the calculation should include Equivalent Bending Moment, Me and Equivalent Torsion Moment Te:

$$Me = \frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}}{2} = 117885 \text{ N-mm}$$
  $Te = \sqrt{M^2 + T^2} = 118051 \text{ N-m}$ 

Te > Me

∵ Те =та. Zр

 $\therefore$  Zp = Te/ $\tau a$  = 118051/49 = 2409.2 mm<sup>3</sup>

According to figure of cross section showed on the spline (Table 2.1.3, 2.1.4), the minimum diameter, 25mm is required in order to gain enough strength of Ball Spline, therefore, SLF25 matches the requirement above thus choose SLF25.

#### B.Calculating the Mean Load

When the shaft extension reached  $L_{max} = 400$  mm, it reaches it' maxima load ( $P_{max}$ ) When it retrieved back to Lmin = 100mm, it absorbed the minimum of load (P<sub>min</sub>) According to mechanics it allows us to acquire the maximum and minimum Radial Load of Nut A and nut B:

 $P_{Amax} = 30.9.81.400 + 200)/200 = 882.9 \text{ N } P_{Bmax} = 30.9.81.400/200 = 588.6 \text{ N}$  $P_{Amin} = 30.9.81 \cdot (100 + 200)/200 = 441.5 \text{ N } P_{Bmin} = 30.9.81 \cdot 100/200 = 147.2 \text{ N}$ 

When the movement of Ball Spline occurs, the load on the spline is gradual and repeated, according to Fig 2.2.4 the equation of the load on ball spline is shown as:

 $P_{Am} = 1/3 (PA_{min} + 2PA_{max}) = 735.8 N P_{Bm} = 1/3 (PB_{min} + 2PB_{max}) = 441.5 N$ 

The nuts receive both torsion and bending load simultaneously, therefore assuming that the torsion distributes equally on the nuts. The equation for torsion is shown as T':

T' = T/2 = 30.9.81.30/2 = 4414.5 N-mm

Calculating the Service Life

The equivalent factor Pe (B12, equation (9):

Pe = Pm + 
$$\frac{4 \cdot T'}{i \cdot dp \cdot \cos \alpha}$$

PAE =  $735.8 + \frac{4 \cdot 4414.5}{4 \cdot 27 \cdot \cos 50^{\circ}} = 990.2 \text{ N}$ 

PBE =  $441.5 + \frac{4 \cdot 4414.5}{4 \cdot 27 \cdot \cos 50^{\circ}} = 695.9 \text{ N}$ 

## C. Service Life Ball Spline

Nut A life 
$$L_A = \left[\frac{f_T \cdot f_C}{f_W} \cdot \frac{C}{P_{AE}}\right]^3 \cdot 50 = 14518 \text{km}$$

Factors

Factors

 $f_{\tau}$ : Temperature = 1

 $f_{c}$ : Friction = 1

 $f_{w}$ : Load = 1.5

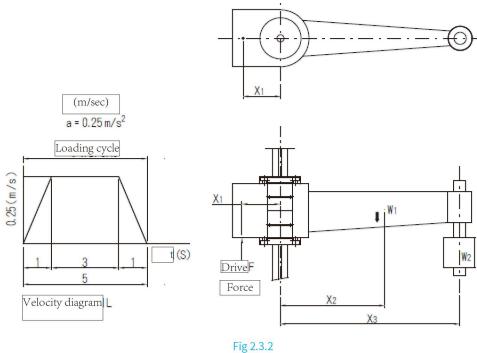
 $f_{w}$ : C: Coa = 9835 N

The service life of Ball Spline correlates with nut A and the service life is 14518 by estimate.

#### Vertical Application

A 1200 mm long ball spline with stroke of 1000 mm is mounted on a working platform supported by two fixed nuts on both end. The geometry is shown as Fig 2.3.2

The point of drive force F is X1 = 50 mm, from the center of Ball Spline, the weight platform W1 is 27 kg, the center of the weight is X2 = 300 mm, away from the center of ball spline, the working cycle of platform is a carriage of W2 = 5 kg, with a downward movement for 5 sec and holds for 10 sec, then elevates for 5 sec and holds for 10 sec to unload the carriage repeatedly. The center of gravity of carriage is X3 = 500 mm, from the center of ball spline, the travelling of velocity is shown as Fig 2.3.2





## Calculating the Service Life

Calculating the Service Life

## A. Analysis on Different Stage of Exertion

Inertial force occurs when a platform is in working modes, drive force is the source of the inertial force. Inertial force of a m/s2 in accelerated ascent and decelerated decent:  $F = W \cdot (9.81+a)$ 

Inertial force of Constant velocity in acceleration and deceleration:  $F = W \cdot (9.81)$ 

Inertial force of a m/s2 in accelerated decent and decelerated ascent:  $F = W \cdot (9.81-a)$ 

Below are the equations of the bending force absorb by the nuts during acceleration, constant velocity, deceleration while ball ascent and decent.

(1) Without carriage (Acceleration while decent)  $M_{rla} = W_1 \cdot (9.81-a) \cdot 300 + W_1 \cdot (9.81-a) \cdot 50 = 90342 \text{ N-mm}$ 

(2) Without carriage (Constant velocity while decent)  $M_{dc} = W_1 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 300 + W_1 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 50 = 92704.5 \text{ N-mm}$ 

(3) Without carriage (Deceleration while decent)  $M_{dd} = W_1 \cdot (9.81 + a) \cdot 300 + W_1 \cdot (9.81 + a) \cdot 50 = 95067 \text{ N-mm}$ 

(4) With carriage (Acceleration while ascent)  $M_{aa} = W_1 \cdot (9.81+a) \cdot 300 + W_1 \cdot (9.81+a) \cdot 50 + W_2 \cdot (9.81+a) \cdot 500 + W_2 \cdot (9.81+a) \cdot 50 = 122732 \text{ N-mm}$ 

(5) With carriage (Constant velocity while ascent)  $M_{ac} = W_1 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 300 + W_1 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 50 + W_2 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 500 + W_2 \cdot (9.81) \cdot 50 = 119682 \text{ N-mm}$ 

(6) With carriage (Deceleration while ascent)  $M_{ad} = W_1 \bullet (9.81-a) \bullet 300 + W_1 \bullet (9.81-a) \bullet 50 + W_2 \bullet (9.81-a) \bullet 500 + W_2 \bullet (9.81-a) \bullet 50 = 116632 \text{ N-mm}$ 

#### B. The Calculation of Spline Strength

The presented structure of ball spline is supported by two fixed nuts on both ends with an bridge of absorbing bending in the middle. it designed to absorb torque. According to mechanics the Maximum bending load occurs on the supporting end. The Maximum Bending Moment should occur at the end of acceleration.

Maximum Bending Moment M = 122732 N-mm ∴ Z = M/ $\sigma$ a = 122732/98 = 1252.4 mm<sup>3</sup>

According to figure of cross section showed on the spline, the minimum diameter 25 mm is required in order to gain enough of strength for Ball Spline, therefore SLF25 matches the requirement above thus choose SLF25.

#### C. Calculating the Mean Load

The nuts and spline mainly affect by the force of bending, therefore converting the force of bending into rail load by using (B12, equation(10)).

 $P_n = K \cdot M$ 

According to Table 2.2.3, when joint two SLF25 nuts, The equivalent factor K=0.023

 $\begin{array}{lll} P_{da} = 0.023 \bullet 90342 = 2078 \ N & P_{aa} = 0.023 \bullet 122732 = 2822.8 \ N \\ P_{dc} = 0.023 \bullet 92704.5 = 2132.2 \ N & P_{ac} = 0.023 \bullet 119682 = 2752.7 \ N \\ P_{dd} = 0.023 \bullet 95067 = 2186.5 \ N & P_{ad} = 0.023 \bullet 116632 = 2682.5 \ N \end{array}$ 

The average load in every time peroid can be calculate as Pm:

$$P_{m} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{L} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{n} (P_{n}^{3} \cdot L_{n})}$$

$$P_{m} : Average Load (N)$$

$$P_{n} : Load in variable (M)$$

$$L : Total service distances (mm)$$

$$L_{n} : P_{n} Service distances (mm)$$

$$under loading$$

$$P_{\text{m}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{1000}} \left\{ 125 \cdot 2078^{3} + 750 \cdot (2132.2)^{3} + 125 \cdot (2822.8)^{3} + 750 \cdot (2752.7)^{3} + 125 \cdot (2682.5)^{3} \right\}$$
$$= 2481.6 \text{ N}$$

D. Analysis of Ball Spline Service Life

Service Life 
$$L_A = \left[ \frac{f_T \cdot f_C}{f_W} \cdot \frac{C}{P_m} \right]^3 \cdot 50 = 922 \text{km}$$

f<sub>T</sub>: Temperature =1 f<sub>C</sub>: Friction=1 f<sub>W</sub>: Load=1.5 C: Coa=9835 N



## Determining the Preload

The preload, a significant factor that influence the accuracy, load capacity and rigidity of Ball Spline during operation. Therefore, it is very important to determine the most appropriate size of the clearance for your requirements. The size of the clearance is standardized for each type, enabling the one best-suited for operating conditions to be selected.

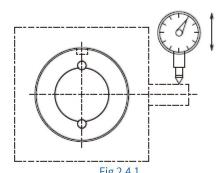
#### **Clearance in the Rotational Direction**

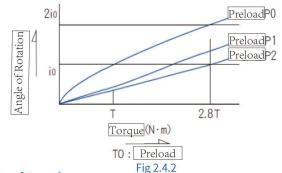
With the Ball Spline, the sum of clearances in the circumferential direction is standardized as the clearance in the rotational direction. Clearance in the Rotational Direction. (BCD)

**Preload and Rigidity** 

The preload is the load applied to balls prior to use for the purposes of eliminating angular backlash (clearance in the rotational direction) and improving rigidity. The application of a preload can eliminate angular backlash in the Ball Spline in accordance with the level of applied preload, and can improve rigidity. Fig 2.4.2 shows the amount of displacement in the rotational direction when a rotational torque is applied. As shown in Fig 2.4.2, the effect of preloading continues until the torque becomes

Fig 2.4.2 2.8 times greater than the preload applied. Compared with a setting without a preload, the displacement at the same rotational torque is half of the one with a preload and the rigidity is twice as great.





**Operating Conditions and Determination of the Preload Level** 

Table 2.4.1 presents guidelines for determining the appropriate clearance in the rotational direction for different operating environment. The rotational clearance of the Ball Spline significantly affects the accuracy and rigidity of the Spline nut. Therefore, it is critical to select the clearance best suited to the intended uses of the Ball Spline. Normally, the Ball Spline is preloaded. When it is subjected to repeated swiveling and reciprocal linear motion, the system receives heavy vibration and impact. In such an environment, preload prolongs the service life and improves accuracy.

Table 2.4.1 Guidelines for Determining an Appropriate Ball Spline Clearance according the Rotational Direction.

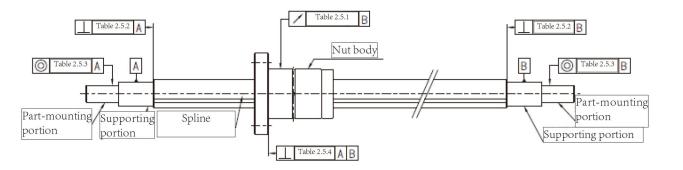
	Preload	Operating conditions	Applications
Direction	Medium Preload P2	<ul> <li>High rigidity is required. Vibration and impact are severe.</li> <li>The moment load must be borne by a single spline nut.</li> </ul>	● Spot-welding-machine shaft.
the Rotational Dire	Light Preload P1	<ul> <li>Hanging loads and moments are applied.</li> <li>High position accuracy is required.</li> <li>Alternate loads are applied.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Industrial robot arm Various automatic.</li> <li>loaders.</li> <li>Automatic-painting-machine guideshaft.</li> <li>Electric-discharge-machine spindle.</li> <li>Press die-set guideshaft.</li> <li>Drilling-machine spindle.</li> </ul>
Clearance in th	No Preload P0	<ul> <li>Smooth movement should be achieved with only a low magnitude of force.</li> <li>Torque is continually applied in a given direction.</li> </ul>	Dynamometer

Tablez.4.2 Unit: L				
Nominal Diameter (mn	Preload n)	No Preload P0	Slight Preload P1	Medium Preload P2
6、8、10	)、12、13	-2 ~+1	-6 ~ -2	-
15、1	16、20	-2 ~+1	-6 ~ -2	-9 ~ -5
25	30	-3 ~+2	-10 ~ -4	-14 ~ -8
40	50	-4 ~+2	-16 ~ -8	-22 ~-14

Accuracy

#### **Accuracy Grade**

The accuracy of the Ball Spline is determined by the spline-nut and thus divided into three accuracy grades of Normal(N), High(H), and Precision(P).



## **Accuracy Specifications**

Tables 2.5.2~2.5.5 indicate the tolerance of callout of the Ball Spline.

Table 2.5.1 The tolerance of Spline Nut on the Support Unit Unit: µm Nomina Diameter 12、13、 6, 8 25、30 40、50 Length 15、16、20 (mm) Above Below N Н N Н N Η Н 84 54 114 76

Table 2.5.2 The Maximum Perpendicularity of Spline Shaft End on the Journal Ends Unit: μm				
Nominal Diameter (mm)	Normal (N)	High (H)	Precision (P)	
6、8、10	22	9	6	
12、13、15、16、20	27	11	8	
25、30	33	13	9	
40、50	39	16	11	

Table 2.5.3 The Maximum Radial Call Out on the Attach Surface Unit: μn				
Nominal Diameter (mm)	Normal (N)	High (H)	Precision (P)	
6、8	33	14	8	
10	41	17	10	
12、13、15、16、20	46	19	12	
25、30	53	22	13	
40、50	62	25	15	



## Accuracy

Table 2.5.4 The Perpendicularity of Flange on the Attach Surface

Unit: um

Table 2.3.4 The Perpendicularity of Flange of the Attach Surface Offic.								
Nominal Diameter (mm)	Normal (N)	High (H)	Precision (P)					
6、8	17	11	8					
10、12、13	33	13	9					
15、16、20、25、30	30	16	11					
40、50	46	19	13					

Table2.5.5 The Accuracy Leve	Unit: μm		
Accuracy	Normal(N)	High (H)	Precision (P)
Permissible	33	13	6

<sup>\*</sup> Applies to any effective stoke of 100mm Ball Spline shaft.

#### Lubrication

The spline nut is prelubricated prior to shipment for immediate use and the maintenance period is varied according to the operating conditions. ALM suggested that under normal operation condition please lubricate your ALM Ball Spline after 100 Km (6-12 months) of operation. Apply lubricant within the nut body or on the groove of Spline shaft.

#### **Material and Surface Treatment**

Provides customize material and surface treatment in order to meet extreme operation condition. Please contact service window for customized surface treatment and material.

#### **Precautions of Ball Spline**

#### General Maintenance

- (1) Disassemble ball spline without supervise of certified engineer will cause malfunction of the ball spline.
- (2) Gravity causes the spline nut slides when lining the ball spline, handle with care.
- (3) Do not hammer, free fall the ball spline, such action will damaging the ball spline and might hinder the performance of ball spline.
- (4) Prevent debris, scraps from intervene the ball spline cause it will decrease the performance to ball spline or lead to malfunction.
- (5) Prevent the ball spline operates under extreme condition. Contact service window when the ALM ball spline is intend to use under extreme condition.
- (6) Coolant might cause malfunction on the ball spline, please consult certified engineer for the use of coolant.
- (7) Clean attached debris and scraps before relubrication.
- (8) Please consult certified engineer when the ball spline is designed to operate under frequent vibration, vacuum, extreme high and low temperature condition.
- (9) Please consult certified engineer when mounting a through hole on the flanged ball spline.

#### Lubrication

- (1) Remove anti-dust oil before seal the ball spline with grease.
- (2) Prevent mixing of different kind of grease, it will cause unexpected chemical deform.
- (3) Please contact certified engineer for consulting the use of grease when the ball spline is designed to operate under frequent vibration, vacuum, extreme high and low temperature condition.
- (4) Please consult certified engineer for the use of non-certified grease.
- (5) When using motor oil to serve the purpose of lubrication, it might cause performance declining due to the improper installation, please consult certified engineer.
- (6) Lubrication intervals vary according to the conditions of use. For details, please contact ALM.

#### Storage

Prevent extreme temperature and humidity while storing the ball spline, please use certified seal and storage in a horizontal position.

#### Mounting

## **Tolerance on Support Unit**

Ball spline nut and its support unit is bore to minimize the clearance. If high accuracy is not required, then a clearance fit can be used.

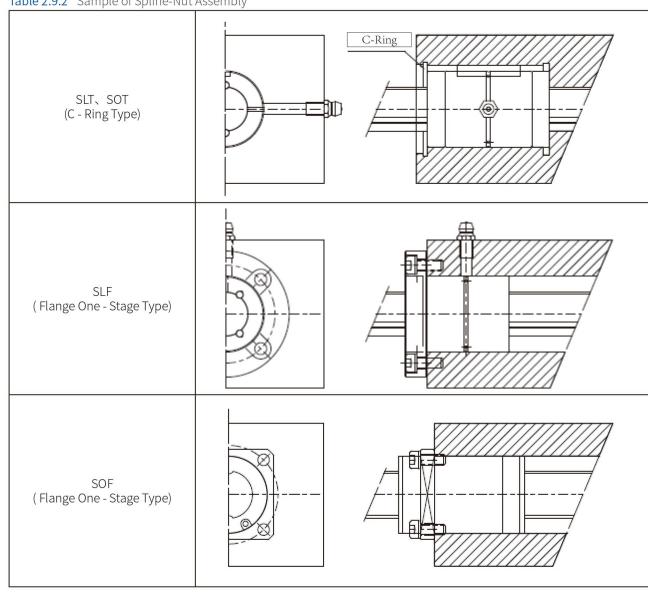
Table 2.9.1

Condition	Tolerance within Support Unit		
General Operation Condition	H7		
Operation Under Minimize of Axial Clearance	J6		

#### **Installation of Ball Spline**

The installation of the Ball Spline is shown as Fig 2.9.2. Though the strength of mounting is not strictly required, but it has to be certain that the spline shaft firmly fixed on the support unit.

Table 2.9.2 Sample of Spline-Nut Assembly





Mounting

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#### **Installation of Spline Nut**

When installing a spline nut into the spline shaft, use a jig shown in fig 2.9.1 to insert the spline with care.

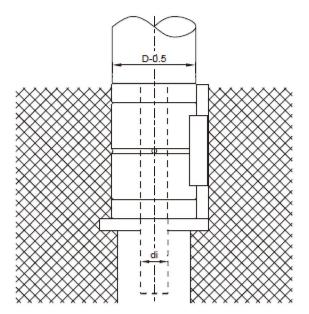


Fig 2.9.1

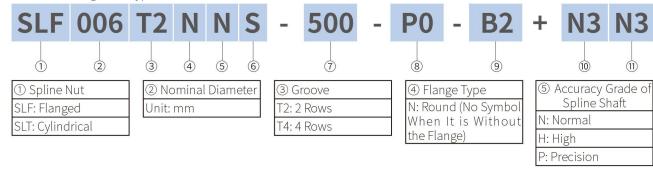
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Table 2.9.3	Specifications of th	ne jig								L	Jnit:mm
Model	Nominal Diameter	6	8	10	13	16	20	25	30	40	50
SL	di	5.0	7.0	8.5	11.5	14.5	18.5	23	28	37.5	46.5
Model	Nominal Diameter	-	8	10	12	15	20	25	-	-	-
SO	di	-	7.0	8.5	10.5	11	16	20.5	-	-	-

#### **Nominal Model Code**

ALM Ball Spline is classified into interchangeable and non-interchangeable types. Their dimensions are the same; the only difference between two types is that for non-interchangeable series, ALM will finish every process in the production line to meet customers' demands. Interchangeable nuts and shafts can be freely exchanged and the standard preload is P0. Customers could adjust the preload by changing the steel balls inside of the nut by themselves. It is very convenient for customers to have ALM Ball Spline in inventory and make the preload and end machining by themselves. ALM is proud of internal quality control process which is under strict international regulation.

Non-interchangeable Type Code:



6 Spline Shaft Type : Solid H: Hollow

Overall Length of Spline Shaft Jnit:mm

® Preload Value P0: No preload P1:Light preload P2: Medium preload

Number of Spline Nut

(Leave blank if only one nut is required) Ex Înstall two spline nuts on a shaft.B2

 Nut Surface Treatment S: Standard B1: Black Oxidation N1: Hard Chrome Plating P: Phosphating N3: Nickel Plating N4: Raydent N5: Chrome Plating

① Shaft Surface Treatment : Standard 31: Black Oxidation N1: Hard Chrome Plating P: Phosphating N3: Nickel Plating N4: Raydent N5: Chrome Plating

\* No symbol required when plating is not needed.

Interchangeable Type of Spline Nut:



① Spline Nut SLF: Flanged SLT: Cylindrical

Nominal Diameter Jnit: mm

3) Groove 2: 2 Rows T4:4 Rows

④ Flange Type N: Round (No Symbol When It is Without the Flange)

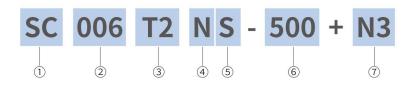
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N5: Chrome Plating

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Interchangeable Type of Spline Shaft:



① Nominal Model Code ② Nominal Diameter Jnit: mm

③ Groove T2: 2 Rows

T4: 4 Rows

 Accuracy Grade of Spline Shaft
 N: Normal Spline Shaft TypeS: SolidH: Hollow

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© Overall Length of Spline Shaft Unit: mm ⑦ Nut Surface
 Treatment
 S: Standard
 B1: Black Oxidation
 N1: Hard Chrome
 Plating
 P: Phosphating
 N3: Nickel Plating
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 N5: Chrome Plating

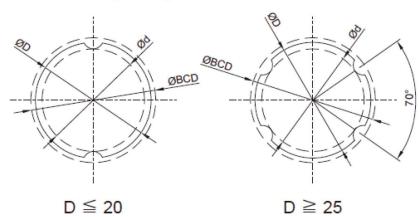
SLF, SLT Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape

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Table 3.1.1, 3.1.2 indicates the cross-section of spline shaft. When the shaft end is round pillar type the minor diameter must not be greater than the diameter of groove ridge.



Solid Spline Shaft

Table 3.1.1 Solid Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape Unit: mm Nominal Diameter 10 13 16 20 25 30 40 50 Stats Inner Diameter Ød 7.27 8.97 11.82 14.72 18.63 23.43 28.53 37.3 47.05 Outer Diameter ØD 10 13 16 20 25 30 40 50 h7 Mass (kg/m) 0.22 0.39 0.6 1.03 1.56 2.44 3.8 5.49 9.69 15.19 6.75 19 17.5 27 32.1 43.65 54.2 Ball Center ØBCD 11.35 14.6 21.8 0 Tolerance µm

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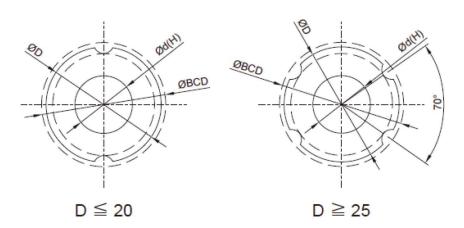
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SLF, SLT Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape



Hollow Spline Shaft

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17.5

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<u>Table 3.1.1</u> Solid Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape

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6.75

3

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8.77

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0.506

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13

0.872

14.6

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Diameter

Inner Diameter Ød

Outer Diameter ØD

h7

Mass (kg/m)

Ball Center ØBCD

Tolerance μm

Stats

				<u> Jnit: mm</u>	
20	25	30	40	50	
10	15	16	20	26	
20	25	30	40	50	
1.82	2.92	3.93	6.75	11.4	
21.8	27	32.1	43.65	54.2	
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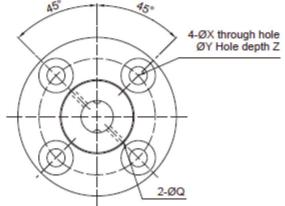
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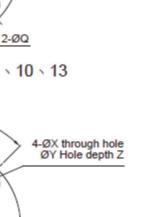
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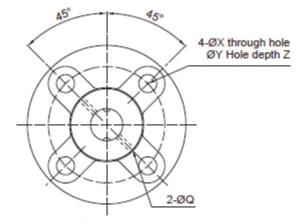


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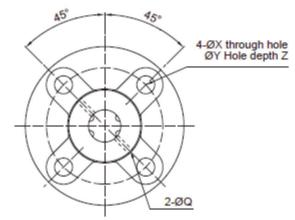


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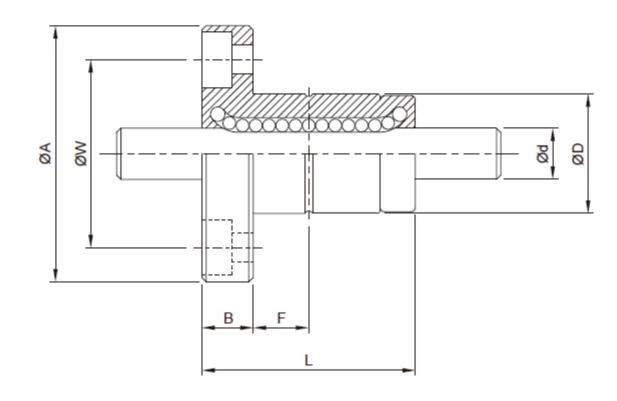
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	Diameter		Spline Nut Dimension									
Model No.	d	Row	D	1	А	В	F	Oil Hole	W	Мо	unting H	Iole
	h7		D	L	A	Б	, r	Q	VV	Х	Υ	Z
SLF006	6	2	14	25	30	6	7.5	1	22	3.4	6.5	3.5
SLF008	8	2	16	27	32	8	7.5	1.5	24	3.4	6.5	4.5
SLF010	10	2	21	33	42	9	10.5	1.5	32	4.5	8	4
SLF013	13	2	24	36	44	9	11	1.5	33	4.5	8	4.5
SLF016	16	2	31	50	51	10	18	2	40	4.5	8	6
SLF020	20	2	35	56	58	10	18	2	45	5.5	9.5	5.4
SLF025	25	4	42	71	65	13	26.5	3	52	5.5	9.5	8
SLF030	30	4	47	80	75	13	30	3	60	6.6	11	8
SLF040	40	4	64	100	100	18	36	4	82	9	14	12
SLF050	50	4	80	125	124	20	46.5	4	102	11	17.5	12

#### SLT Series Specification Inch Table



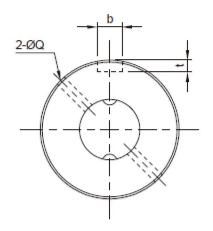
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Model No.	С	C0	СТ	COT	MA1	MA2	Spline Nut	Spline Shaft
	kgf	kgf	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	g	kg/m
SLF006	137	225	0.46	0.76	0.39	3.48	36.7	0.22
SLF008	137	225	0.60	0.99	0.39	3.82	47	0.39
SLF010	285	397	1.62	2.25	0.95	8.53	100	0.60
SLF013	396	540	2.89	3.94	1.50	12.46	117	1.03
SLF016	545	849	4.77	7.43	3.71	26.09	226	1.56
SLF020	724	1109	7.90	12.09	5.53	38.00	303	2.44
SLF025	1003	1593	21.99	43.01	10.35	68.59	458	3.80
SLF030	1160	1980	30.26	62.93	15.68	93.27	633	5.49
SLF040	2972	4033	105.37	176.05	36.59	246.34	1430	9.69
SLF050	4086	5615	179.89	304.35	51.58	428.72	2756	15.19

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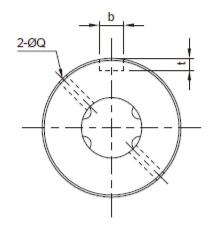
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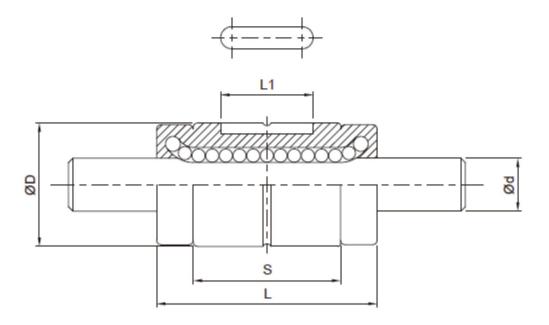


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Shaft diameter d ≧ 25

	Diameter			Splin		Keyway Dimensions			
Model No.	d	Row			_		Oil hole	b	t
	h7		D L S L1	L1	Q	H8	+0.05 0		
SLT006	6	2	14	25	16.7	10.5	1	2.5	1.2
SLT008	8	2	16	27	15.7	10.5	1.5	2.5	1.2
SLT010	10	2	21	33	20	13	1.5	3	1.5
SLT013	13	2	24	36	23	15	1.5	3	1.5
SLT016	16	2	31	50	34	17.5	2	3.5	2
SLT020	20	2	35	56	39.7	29	2	4	2.5
SLT025	25	4	42	71	50.3	36	3	4	2.5
SLT030	30	4	47	80	60	42	3	4	2.5
SLT040	40	4	64	100	70	52	4	6	3.5
SLT050	50	4	80	125	91	58	4	8	4

## SLT Series Specification Inch Table



	Basic Load Rating		Basic Torsion		Static Permissible Moment		Mass	
Model No.	С	C <sub>o</sub>	$C_{T}$	Сот	M <sub>A1</sub>	M <sub>A2</sub>	Spline Nut	Spline Shaft
	kgf	kgf	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	g	kg/m
SLT006	137	225	0.46	0.76	0.39	3.48	14	0.22
SLT008	137	225	0.60	0.99	0.39	3.82	16	0.39
SLT010	285	397	1.62	2.25	0.95	8.53	37	0.60
SLT013	396	540	2.89	3.94	1.50	12.46	52	1.03
SLT016	545	849	4.77	7.43	3.71	26.09	130	1.56
SLT020	724	1109	7.90	12.09	5.53	38.00	188	2.44
SLT025	1003	1593	21.99	43.01	10.35	68.59	285	3.80
SLT030	1160	1980	30.26	62.93	15.68	93.27	395	5.49
SLT040	2972	4033	105.37	176.05	36.59	246.34	843	9.69
SLT050	4086	5615	179.89	304.35	51.58	428.72	1758	15.19

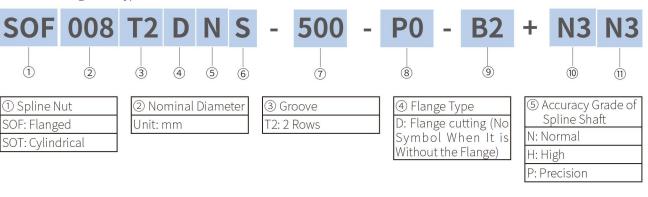


Nominal Model Code of Ball Spline SO Series

#### **Nominal Model Code**

ALM ball Splines is classified into interchangeable and non- interchangeable types. Their dimensions are the same; the only difference between the two types is that for noninterchangeable series, ALM will finish every process in the production line and meet customers' demands. Interchangeable nuts and shafts can be freely exchanged and the standard of the preload is P0. Customers could adjust the preload by changing the steel balls inside of the nut by themselves. It is very convenient for customers to have ALM ball splines in inventory and make the preload and end machining by themselves. ALM is proud of internal quality control process which is under strict international regulation.

Non-interchangeable Type Code:



8 Preload Value

P1: Light preload

P0: No preload

Number of Spline Nut

(Leave blank if only one nut is required) Ex

Two install spline nuts on a shaft : B2

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H: Hollow	Unit: mm
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Nut Surface     Treatment	① Shaft Su Treatme
S: Standard	S: Standar
B1: Black Oxidation	B1: Black (
N1: Hard Chrome Plating	N1: Hard C

P: Phosphating

N3: Nickel Plating

N4: Raydent N5: Chrome Plating

⑤ Spline Shaft Type

S: Solid

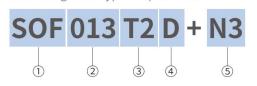
① Shaft Surface
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① Overall Length of

Spline Shaft

\*No symbol required when plating is not needed.

Interchangeable Type of Spline Nut:



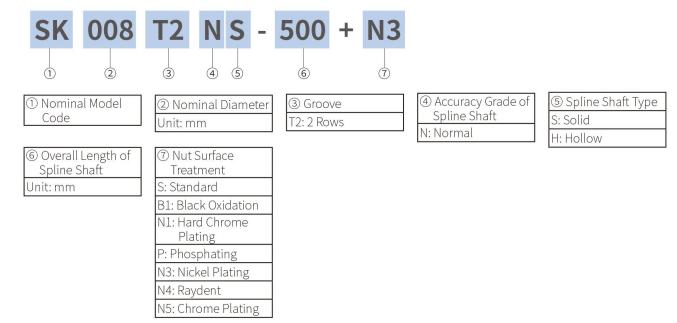
① Spline Nut SOF: Flanged SOT: Cylindrical ② Nominal Diameter Unit: mm (a) Groove
(b) Groove
(c) 2: 2 Rows
(c) Flange Type
(c) D: Flange cutting (No Symbol When It is

Without the Flange)

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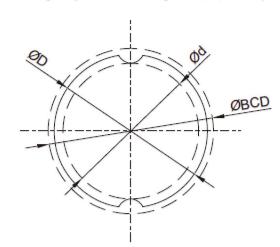
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Interchangeable Type of Spline Shaft:



SOF, SOT Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape

Table 3.2.1、Table 3.2.2 represent the length of the broken face of the spline shaft, If the shaft end of the spline is a cylindrical cylinder, it is not permitted to go beyond the beading bass (Ød) where possible.



Solid Spline Shaft

Table 3.2.1 Solid Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape

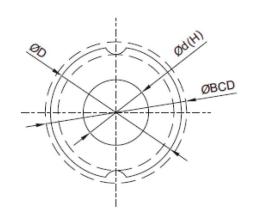
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Table 3.2.1 Solid Spline Shart Cross-Sectional Shape Unit: mir								
Nominal Diameter Stats	8	10	12	15	20	25		
Inner Diameter Ød	7	8.9	11.9	11.6	15.7	19.4		
Outer Diameter ØD h7	8	10	12	13.6	18.2	22.6		
Mass (kg/m)	0.39	0.605	0.875	1.11	2.02	3.1		
Ball Center ØBCD	9.3	11.6	13.6	15	20	25		
Tolerance μm	0 -15	0 -18	0 -18	0 -18	0 -21	0 -21		

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Nominal Model Code of Ball Spline SO Series

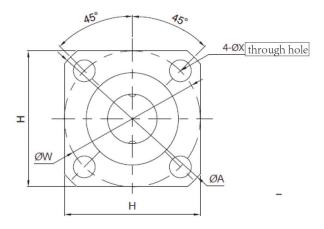
SOF, SOT Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape



**Hollow Spline Shaft** 

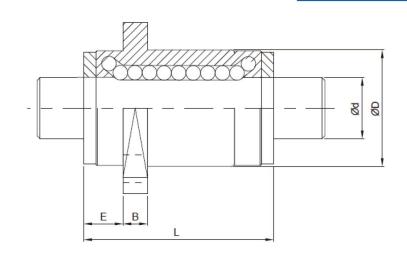
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Nominal Diameter Stats	8	10	12					
Inner Diameter Ød	3	4	6					
Outer Diameter ØD h7	8	10	12					
Mass (kg/m)	0.33	0.51	0.66					
Ball Center ØBCD	9.3	11.6	13.6					
Tolerance µm	0 -15	0 -18	0 -18					

SOF, SOT Spline Shaft Cross-Sectional Shape



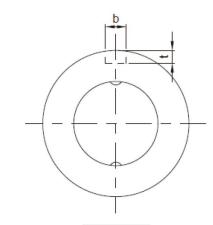
	Diameter		Spline Nut Dimension								
Model No. d	d	Row	D	L	А	В	E	Н	W	Mounting Holed	
	h7									Х	
SOF008	8	2	15	25	28	3.8	5.2	22	22	3.4	
SOF010	10	2	19	30	36	4.1	5.9	28	28	4.5	
SOF012	12	2	21	35	38	4	6	30	30	4.5	
SOF015	13.6	2	23	40	40	4.5	6.5	31	32	4.5	
SOF020	18.2	2	30	50	46	5.5	8.5	35	38	4.5	
SOF025	22.6	2	37	60	57	6.6	10.4	43	47	5.5	

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	kgf	kgf	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	kgf. m	g	kg/m
SOF008	121	136	0.56	0.63	0.34	2.24	23.5	0.39
SOF010	192	219	1.11	1.27	0.71	4.23	45	0.61
SOF012	222	274	1.51	1.87	1.08	6.02	59	0.88
SOF015	426	619	3.19	4.65	2.83	15.49	77	1.11
SOF020	673	922	6.73	9.22	4.95	29.36	150	2.02
SOF025	1142	1458	14.17	18.14	9.46	56.17	255	3.10

SOT Series Gauge Table



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	Diameter			Spline Nut	Keyway Dimensions			
Model No.	d	Row	D	L	S	L1	b	t
	h7						H8	+0.05 0
SOT008	8	2	15	25	14.6	8.5	2.5	1.5
SOT010	10	2	19	30	18.2	11	3	1.8
SOT012	12	2	21	35	23	15	3	1.8
SOT015	13.6	2	23	40	27	20	3.5	2
SOT020	18.2	2	30	50	33	26	4	2.5
SOT025	22.6	2	37	60	39.2	29	5	3