

## Sliding (Journal) bearings:

- According to the direction of the applied load, sliding bearings are divided into:

### A- Radial bearings(Journal bearings):

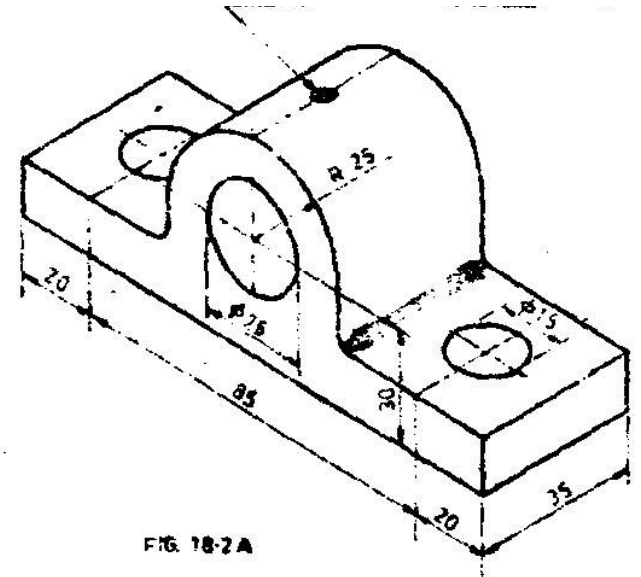
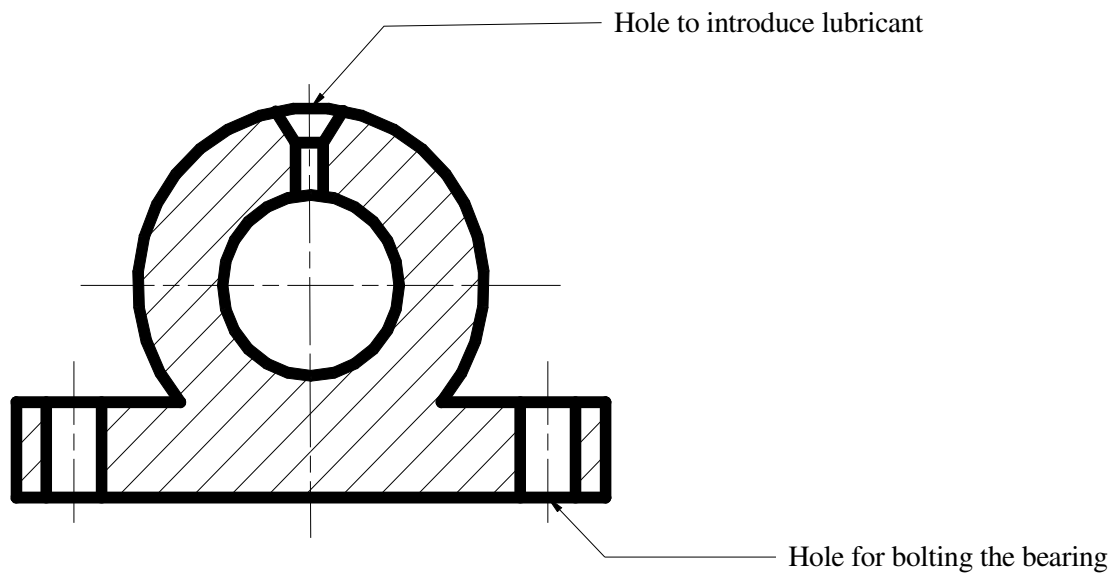
- The journal bearings are used to support only the normal or radial loads (loads acting perpendicular to the shaft axis).
- The journal bearings rotate inside a stationary bush or sleeve. The journal is that part of the shaft which is in contact with the bearing.

### B- Thrust bearings:

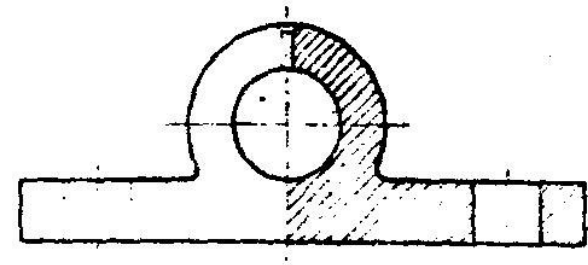
- Thrust bearings are used where loads acting along shaft axis are to be supported.

# Radial bearings (Journal bearings):

## 1- Solid bearing:

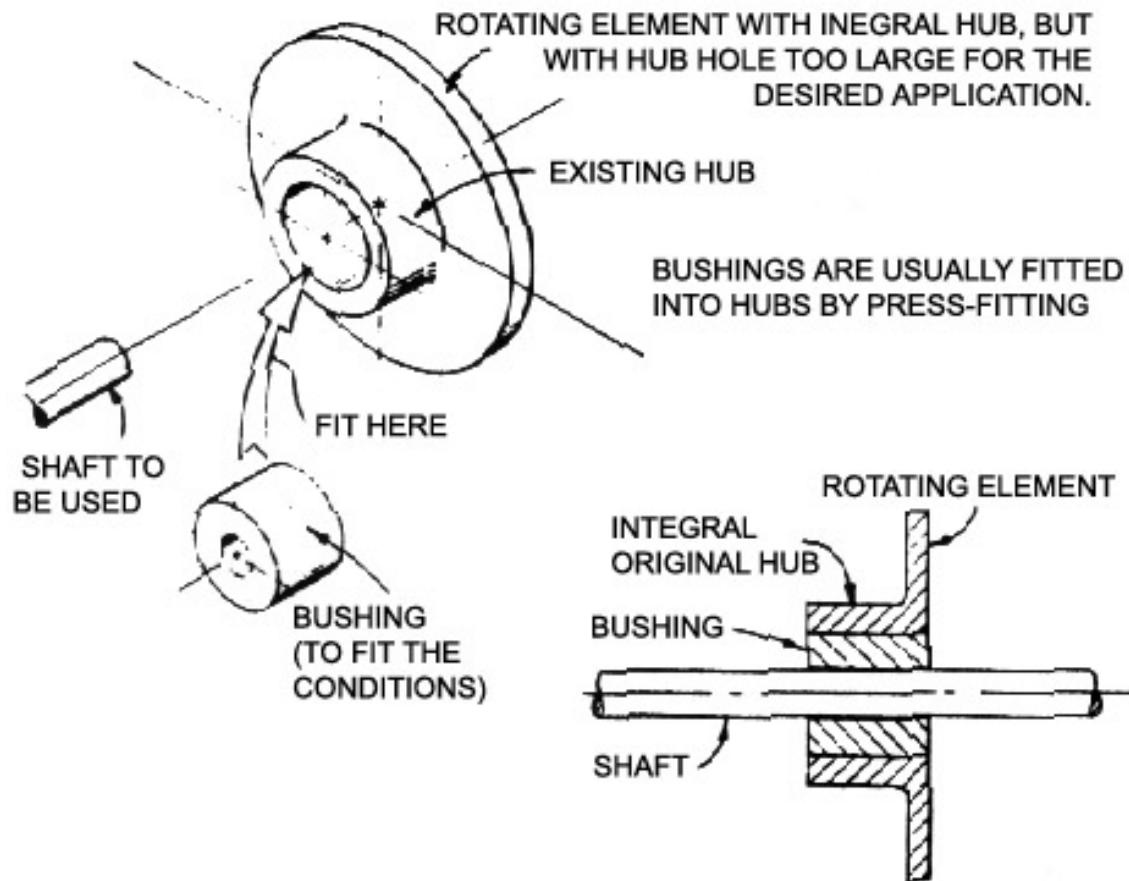


- Is the simplest form of the journal bearings.
- This is usually made of C.I.
- As the name implies, this consists of one block in which a hole is bored to receive the journal.



- The rectangular base of the bearings has two holes which are used for bolting down the bearing.
- A hole provided at the top is used to introduce lubricant into the bearing.
- This type of bearing is used for light duty service only. (low speeds, low loads).
- The drawback of this bearing is that it has to be discarded once the inner surface of the bearing gets worn-out as there is no provision for adjustment for wear.

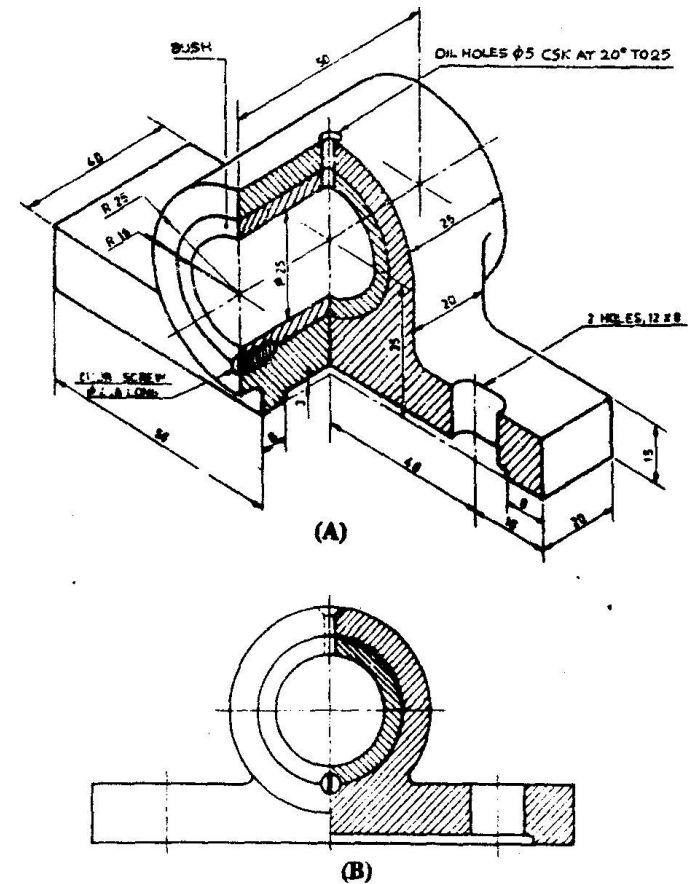
## 2- Bushed bearing:



**Bronze Bearings**

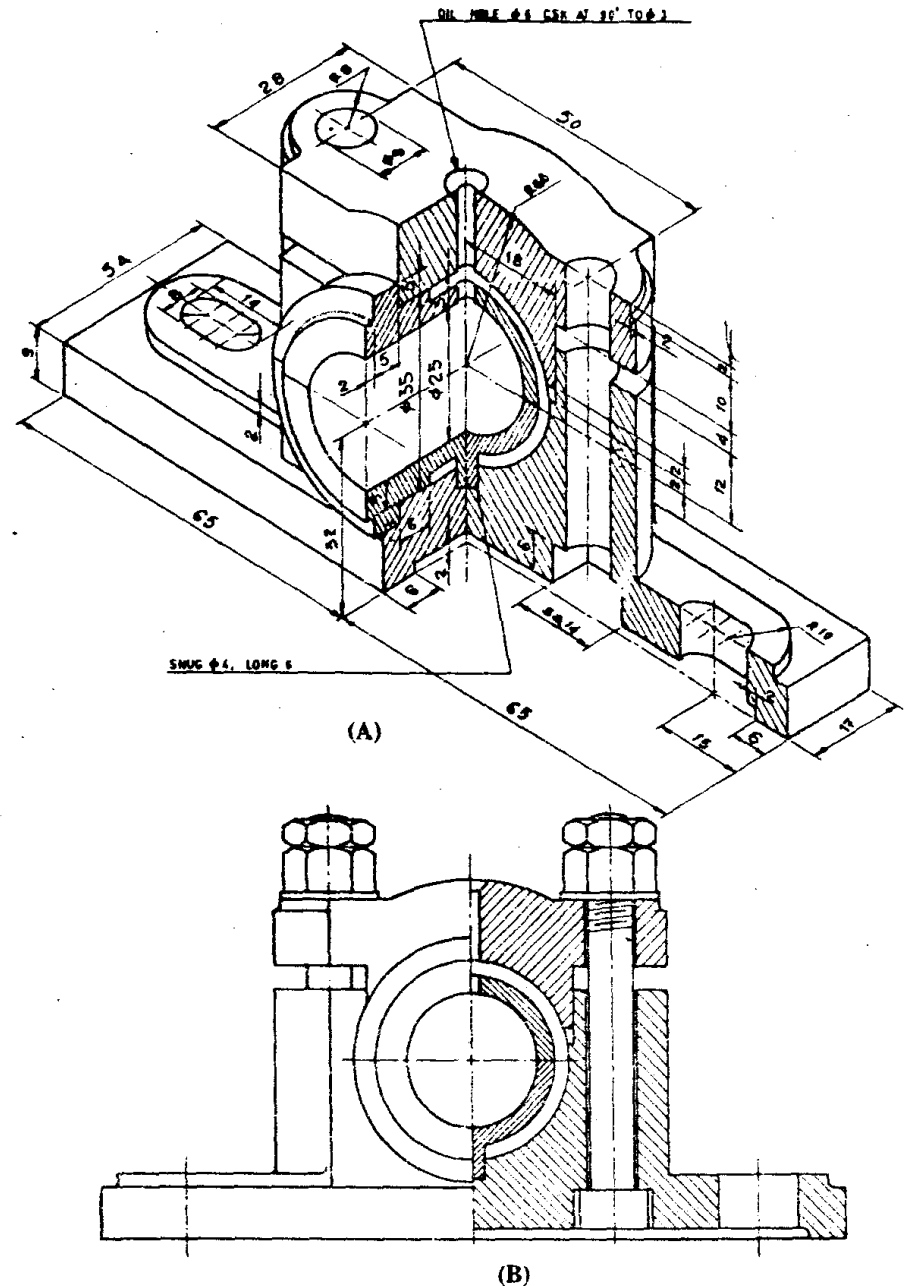
- Bushed bearings consist mainly of two parts, the body and the bush.
- The body or the main block is made of cast iron.
- The bush being usually made of soft materials like brass, bronze, undergoes wear and can be periodically replaced.

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- The diagram illustrates a journal bearing configuration. A journal of diameter  $d_j \equiv d$  is shown in a bearing of length  $l$ . The journal is offset from the bearing center by a distance  $z$ . The bearing is filled with oil. A downward force  $P$  is applied to the top of the bearing, and an upward force  $P$  is applied to the bottom of the bearing. The maximum pressure  $p_{max}$  is indicated at the bottom of the bearing.



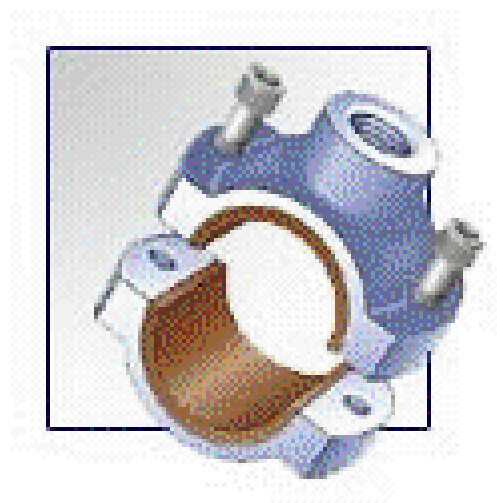
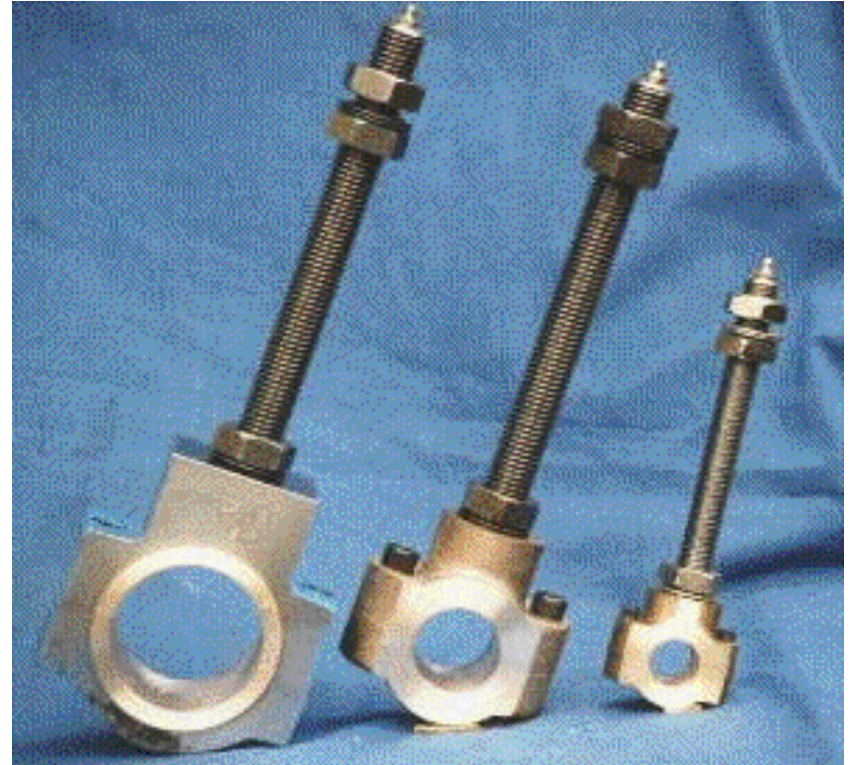
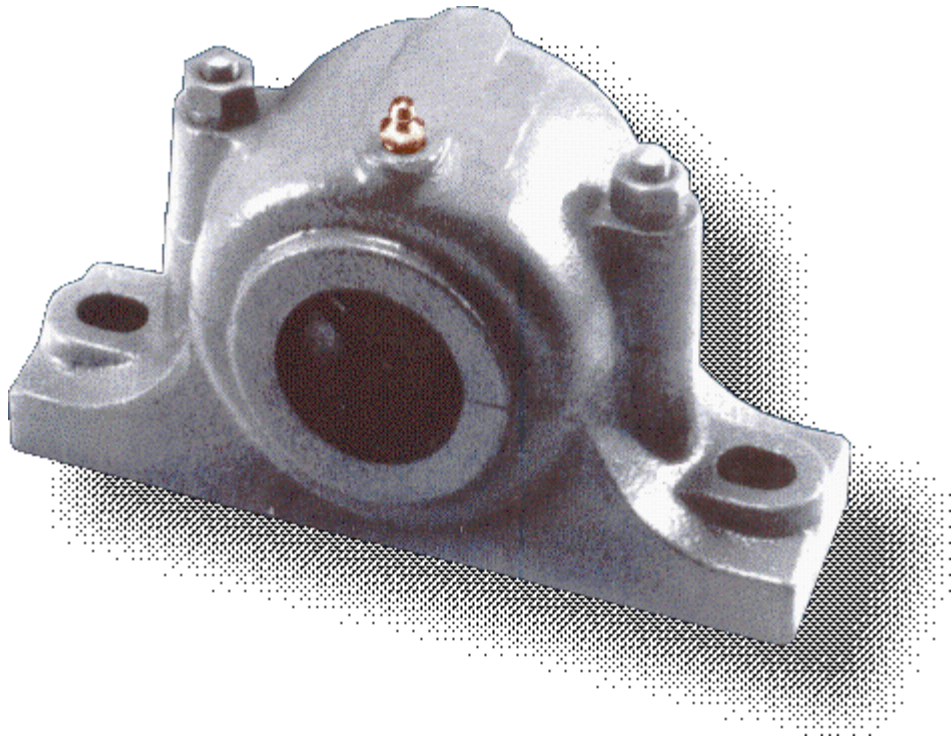
### 3- Pedestal (Split) Bearing

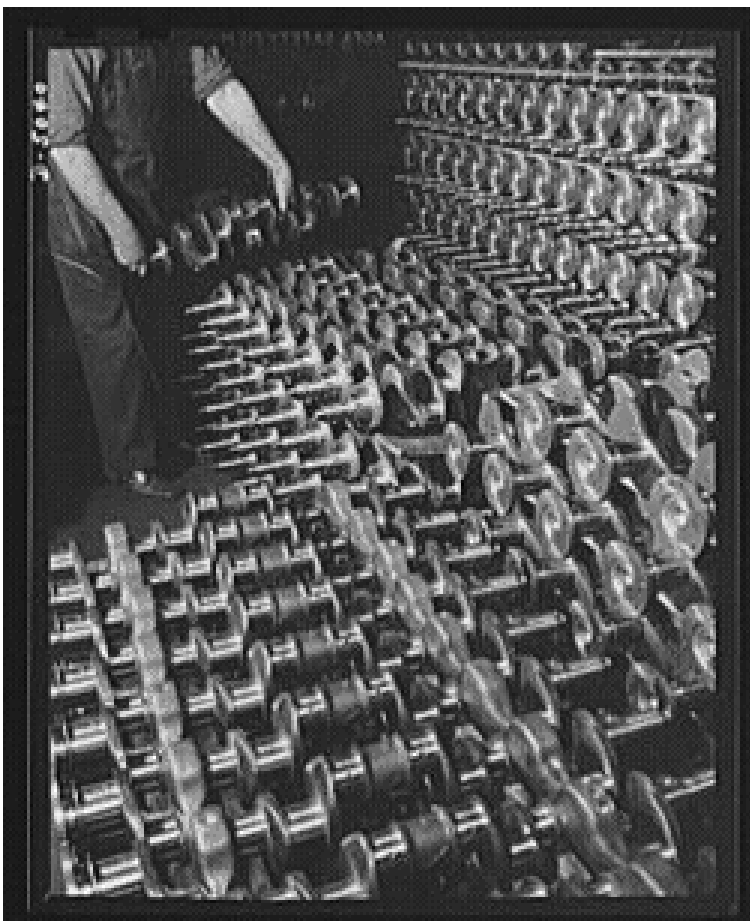
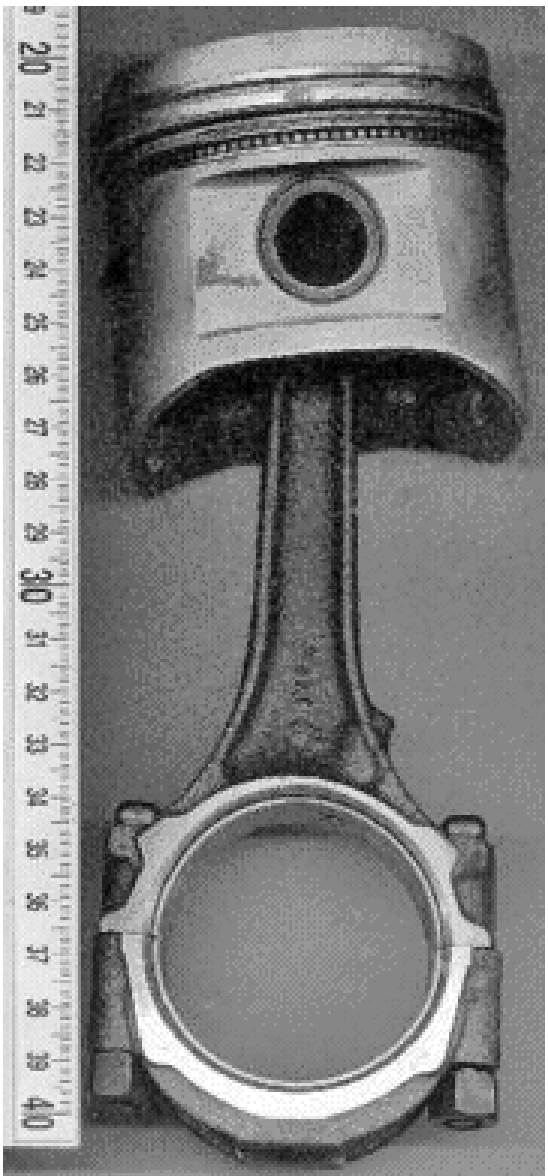
- For long shafts requiring intermediate supports, pedestal bearings (Plummer blocks) are preferred in place of ordinary bushed bearing.
- Pedestal bearings consist mainly of a pedestal, a cap and a bush split into two halves called 'brasses.'
- Easy assembly of the unit and the periodical replacement of the brasses is made by the split parts.
- Flanges are provided to prevent the axial movement.





## Examples of pedestal bearings:







## Types of lubrication:

### 1- Hydrodynamic lubrication:

- The most effective technique in journal bearings.
- The surface of the mating parts are separated by a relatively thick film of lubricant.
- The film pressure is created by the moving surfaces itself.
- Surface wear does not occur.
- Film thicknesses 0.008-0.020 mm.
- $F = 0.002-0.010$ .

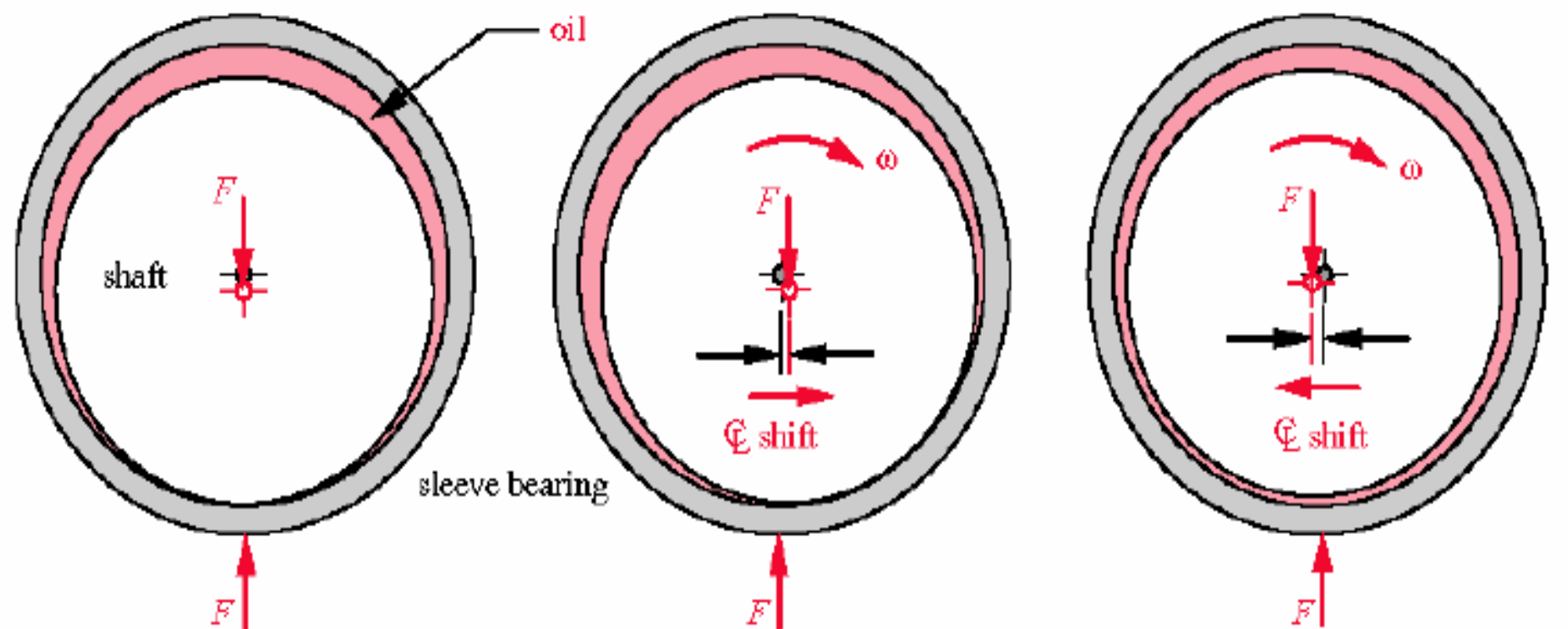


FIGURE 10-3

## 2- Hydrostatic lubrication:

- The lubricant is introduced at a pressure high enough to separate the surfaces with a thick film of lubricant.
- Continuous flow of lubricant to the sliding interface.
- e.g air hockey, hovercraft.
- $f=0.002-0.010$



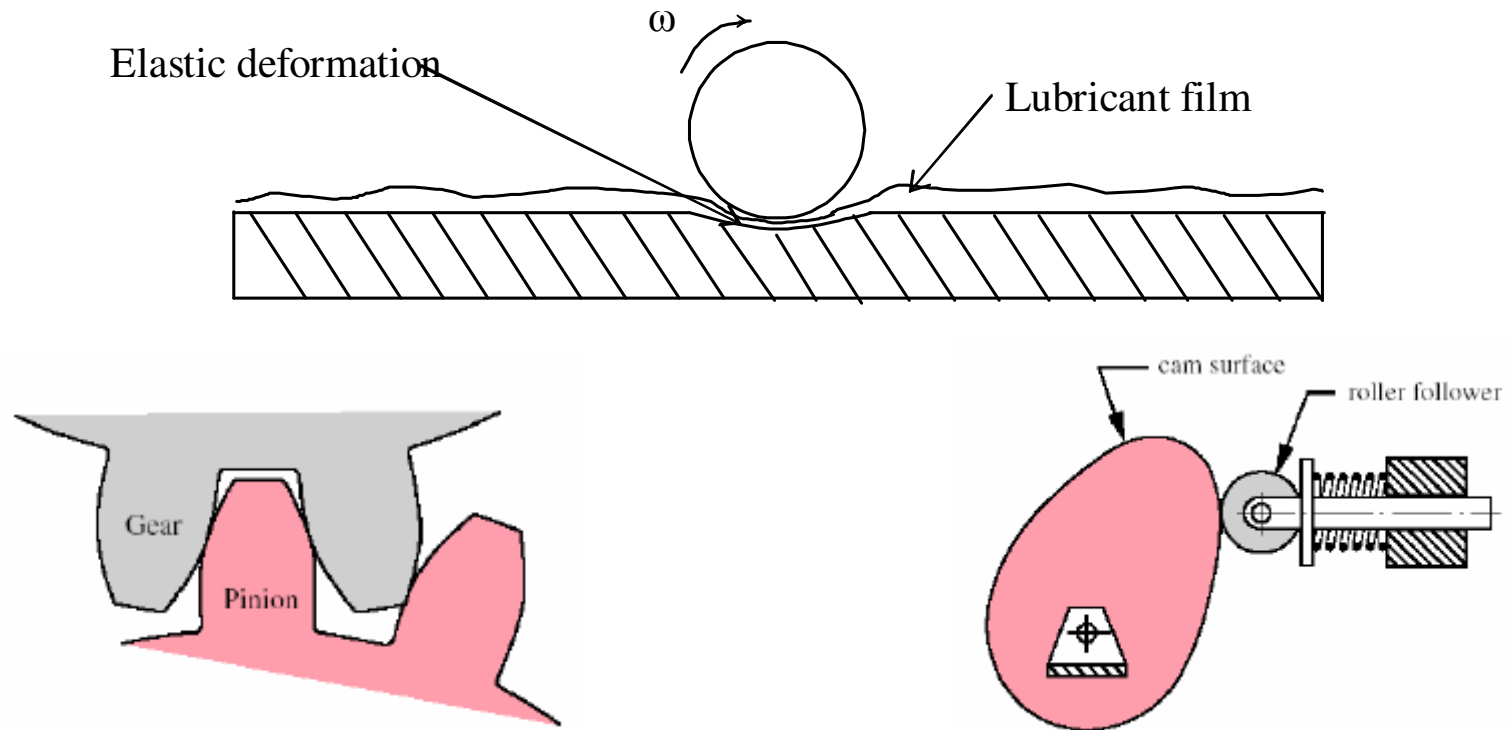
Air hockey



Hovercraft

### 3- Elastohydrodynamic lubrication:

- When a lubricant is introduced between surfaces which are in rolling contacts, such as mating gears, cams or rolling bearing.
- Elastohydrodynamic: occurs if the contacting surfaces nonconforming as with the gear teeth or cam and follower.  
Small contact patch allows a full hydrodynamic film to form.
- Depends on elastic deformation of parts.



#### 4- Boundary lubrication:

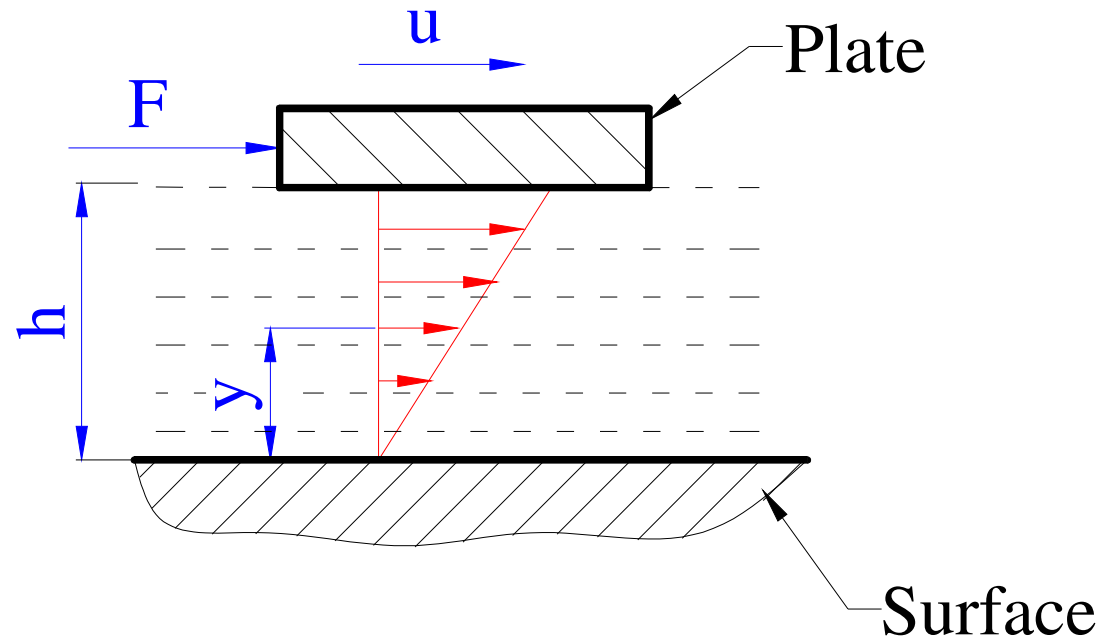
- Insufficient surface area, drop in the velocity of the moving surface, increase load or increase in the lubricant temperature, may prevent the built up of enough film thickness.
- $f=0.05-0.20$ .

#### 5- Solid film:

- When bearings must be operated at extreme temperature, a solid film lubricant such as graphite may be used because the ordinary mineral oils are not satisfactory.
- Low coefficient of friction.

## Viscosity:

- Viscosity is a measure of fluid's resistance to shear.
- Viscosity,  $\mu$ , for fluids is analagous to shear modulus,  $G$ , for solids.
- Temperature increases, viscosity decreases.
- Pressure increases, viscosity increases.
- To derive the absolute viscosity we consider two parallel surfaces, one moving relative two the other with a fluid trapped between the two surfaces.





$$\tau = \frac{F}{A} = \mu \frac{du}{dy} \quad \text{Newton's law of viscous flow}$$

Where:

$\mu$  Is the absolute (dynamic) viscosity.

- The shear stress is proportional to the rate of change of velocity w.r.t the y.
- Assume  $\mu$  = constant

$$\therefore \frac{du}{dy} = \frac{u}{h}$$

$$\therefore \tau = \mu \frac{u}{h}$$

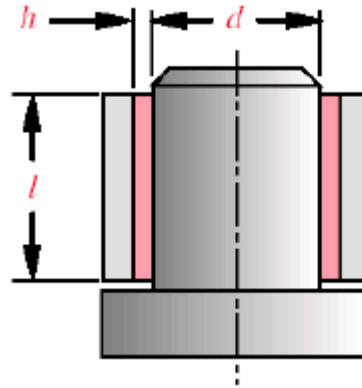
- Units of viscosity:

a-  $\mu \quad (\text{N/m}^2)/\text{s}^{-1} = \text{pa.s}$

b- The Poise,  $P = \text{dyn.s/cm}^2$ ,  $\text{dyn} = \text{gm.cm/s}^2$

$$\text{Cp} = 1/100 \text{ P}$$

## Petroff's Law:



- $r$  : Shaft radius
- $c$  : Clearance (filled with oil)
- $l$  : length of bearing
- $N$  : rev/s
- If the shaft rotates at  $N$  (rev/s), then its surface velocity,

$$u = \omega.r = 2\pi N.r$$

$$\therefore \tau = \mu \frac{u}{h} = \mu \frac{2\pi N r}{c}$$

- The torque:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= F \times r \\
 &= (\tau \times A) \times r \\
 &= \tau \times (2\pi r l) \times r \\
 &= \frac{2\pi N r}{c} \mu \times 2\pi r l \times r \\
 &= \frac{4\pi^2 r^3 l \mu N}{C}
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- If  $W$  is the radial force acting on the bearing, then the pressure:

$$P = \frac{W}{2rl}$$

-  $\therefore$  The frictional force is  $fW$ , where  $f$  is the coefficient of friction.

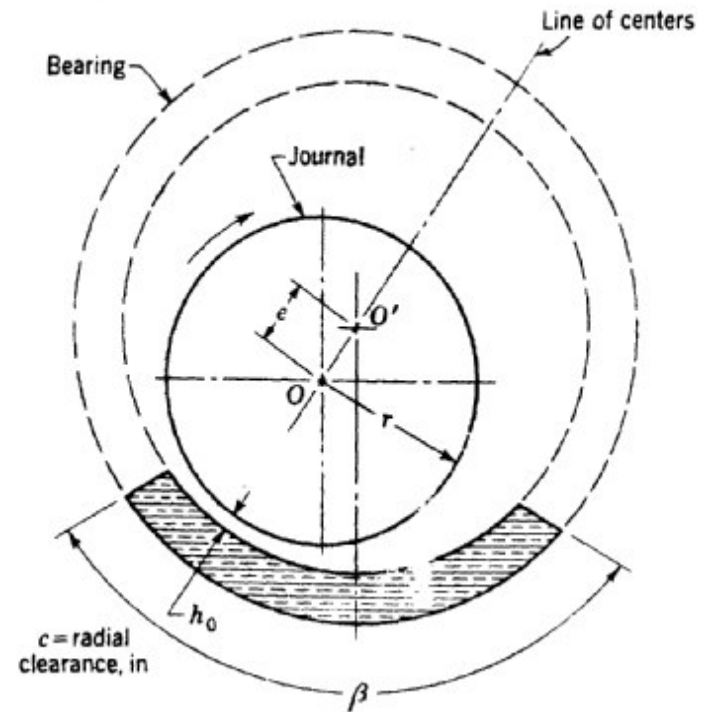
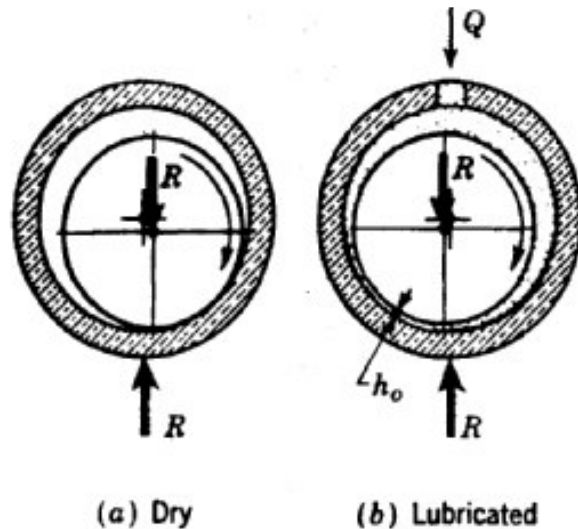
- The frictional torque  $T$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= (f \times W) \times r \\
 &= f(2rlP) \times r \\
 &= 2r^2 flP
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

- From equations (1) and (2), the coefficient of friction:

$$f = 2\pi r^2 \frac{\mu N}{P} \frac{r}{c} \quad \text{Petroff's Law}$$

## Sliding bearings nomenclature:



- $O'$  : Center of the bearing
- $O$  : Center of the journal
- $c$  : The radial clearance (difference in the radii of the bearing and journal)
- $e$  : Eccentricity
- $h$  : Oil film thickness at any point
- $h_o$  : Minimum oil film thickness and it occurs at the line of centers.
- $\epsilon$  :  $e/c$  ..... Eccentricity ratio

## Sliding bearings design:

Two groups of variables in the design of journal bearings:

### 1- Selected (chosen) parameters:

- A- The viscosity,  $\mu$ .
- B- The load per unit of projected bearing area,  $P$ .
- C- The speed  $N$  (rev/s)
- D- The bearing dimensions ( $r$ ,  $c$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $l$ )

### 2- Dependent variables:

- A- The coefficient of friction,  $f$ .
- B- The temperature rise,  $\Delta T$ .
- C- The oil flow,  $Q$ .
- D- The minimum oil film thickness,  $h_o$ .
- E- Angle for maximum oil film pressure.



## Bearing characteristic number (Sommerfeld number):

This quantity is defined by the equation:

$$S = \left( \frac{r}{c} \right)^2 \frac{\mu N}{P}$$

Where:

S: bearing characteristic number

r: journal radius

c: radial clearance

$\mu$ : absolute viscosity

N: speed (rev/s)

P: load per unit of projected bearing area.

## Design steps:

### 1- Temperature rise:

- The average working temperature of the oil:

$$T_{av} = T_i + \frac{\Delta T}{2}$$

Where:

$T_i$  : is the inlet temperature

$\Delta T$  : is the temperature rise

- The dimensionless temperature rise variable is:

$$T_{var} = \frac{\gamma C_H \Delta T}{P}$$

Where:

$\gamma$  : density of oil (861 kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

$C_H$  : specific heat of the lubricant (1760 J/kg C°)

## Procedure for determining the temperature rise:

a- Estimate the average temperature of the oil.

$$\Delta T = 15^{\circ}C - 20^{\circ}C$$

$$\therefore T_{av} = T_i + \frac{\Delta T}{2}$$

b- Find  $\mu$  for the chosen oil at  $T_{av}$ . (from figure 12-10& 12-11)

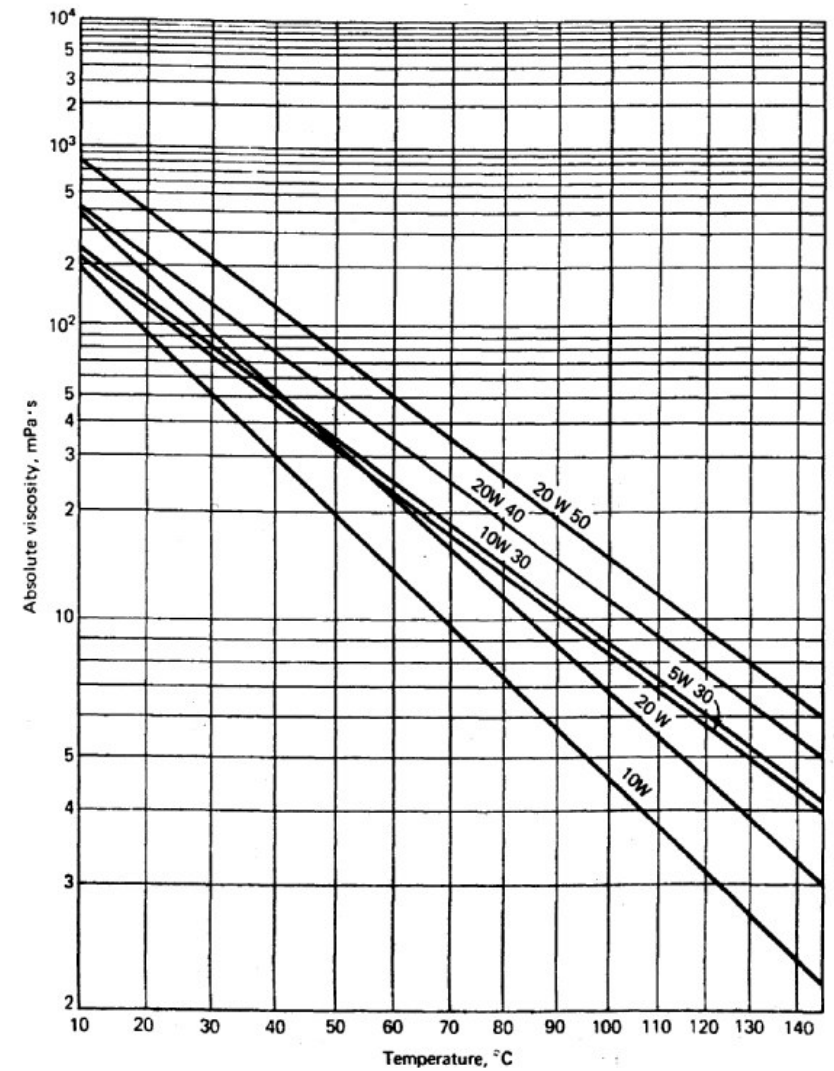
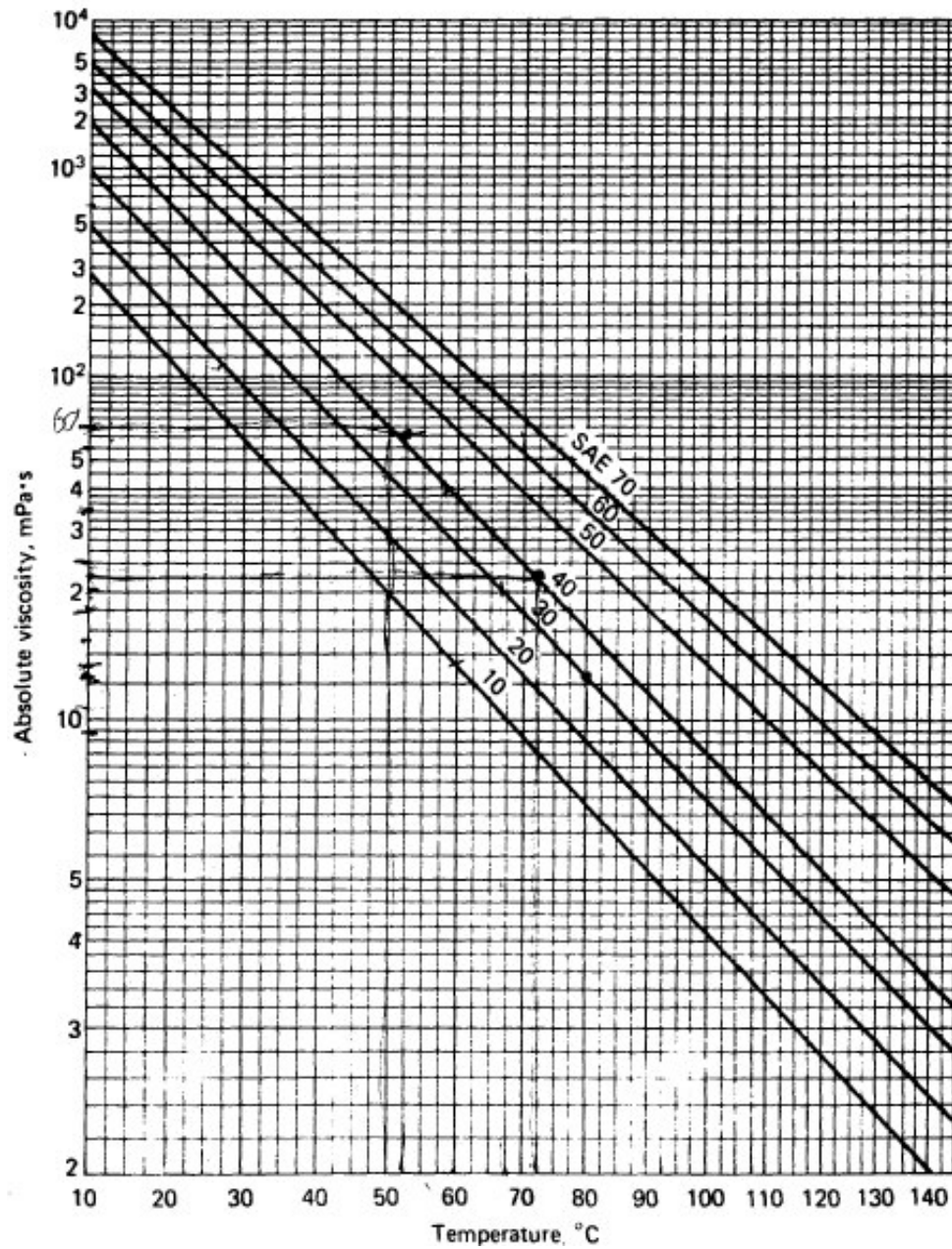
c- Calculate the bearing characteristic number.

$$S = \left( \frac{r}{c} \right)^2 \frac{\mu N}{P}$$

d- Find the temperature rise variable  $T_{var}$ . (from figure 12-12)

e- Determine the temperature rise  $\Delta T$  from the relation:

$$T_{var} = \frac{\mathcal{K} C_H \Delta T}{P}$$



Viscosity temperature chart

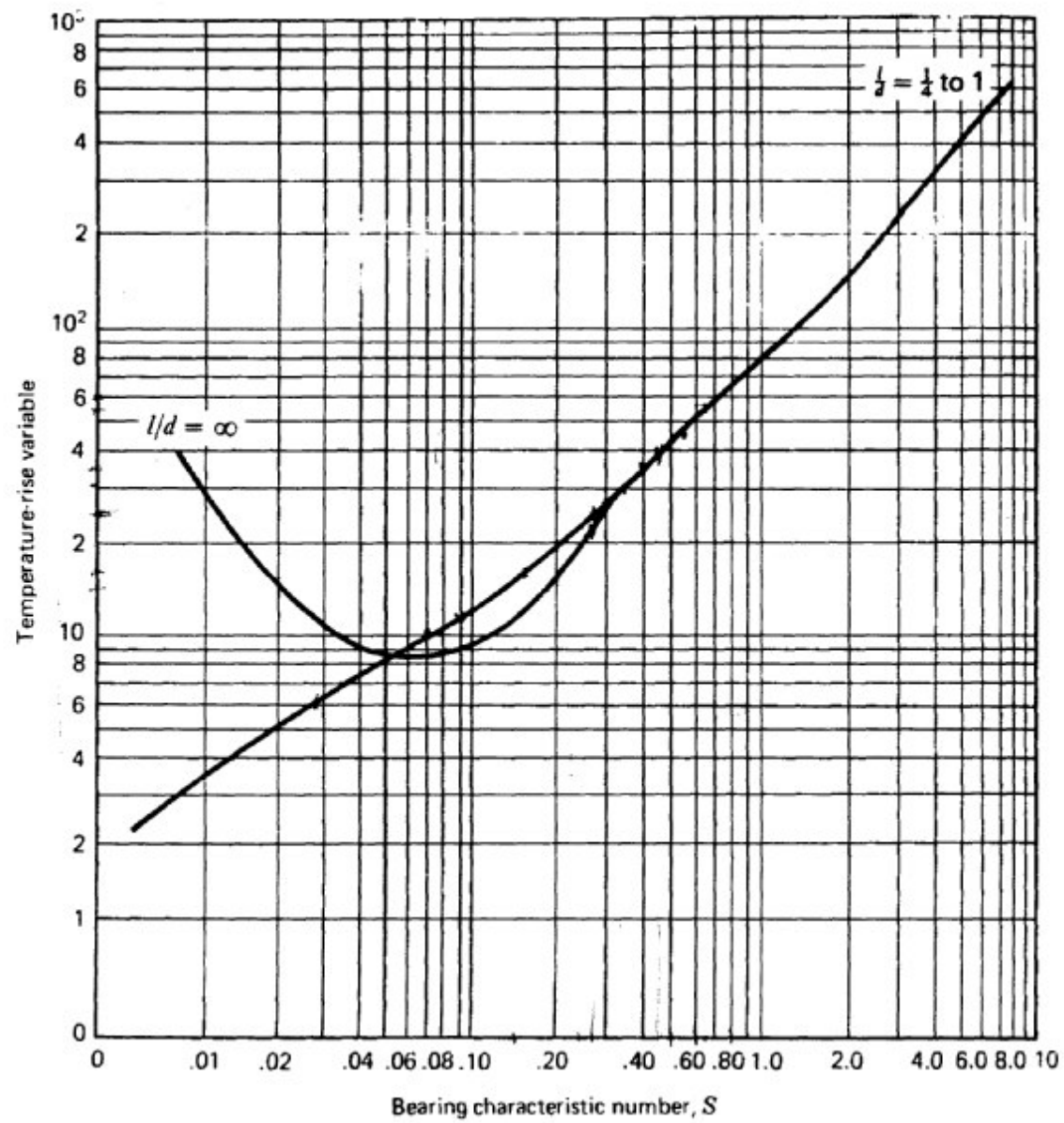


Chart for temperature variable

f- Find  $T_{av}$  from the relation:

$$T_{av} = T_i + \frac{\Delta T}{2}$$

g- Repeat again from step (b) until to get two successive  $T_{av}$  very close.

$$(T_{av}^{new} - T_{av}^{old} \approx 2^{\circ C})$$

h- According to the last  $T_{av}$ , we have to get  $\mu$  and  $S$ .



2- From figure and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find  $h_o/c$  and  $\epsilon$ .  
 (The minimum oil film thickness variable and eccentricity ratio)

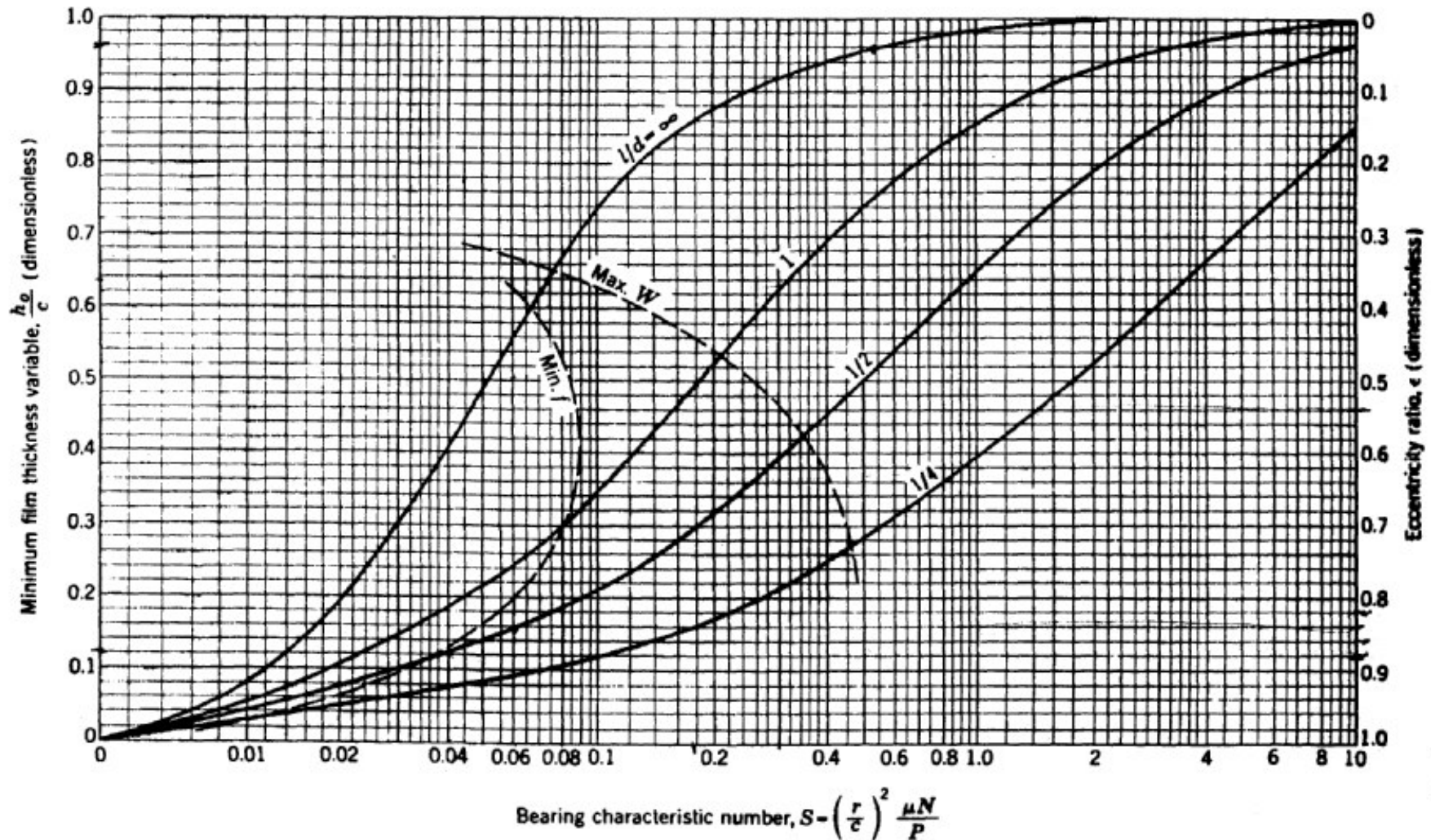


Chart for temperature variable

3- From figure and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find position of minimum of minimum film thickness  $\phi^0$ .

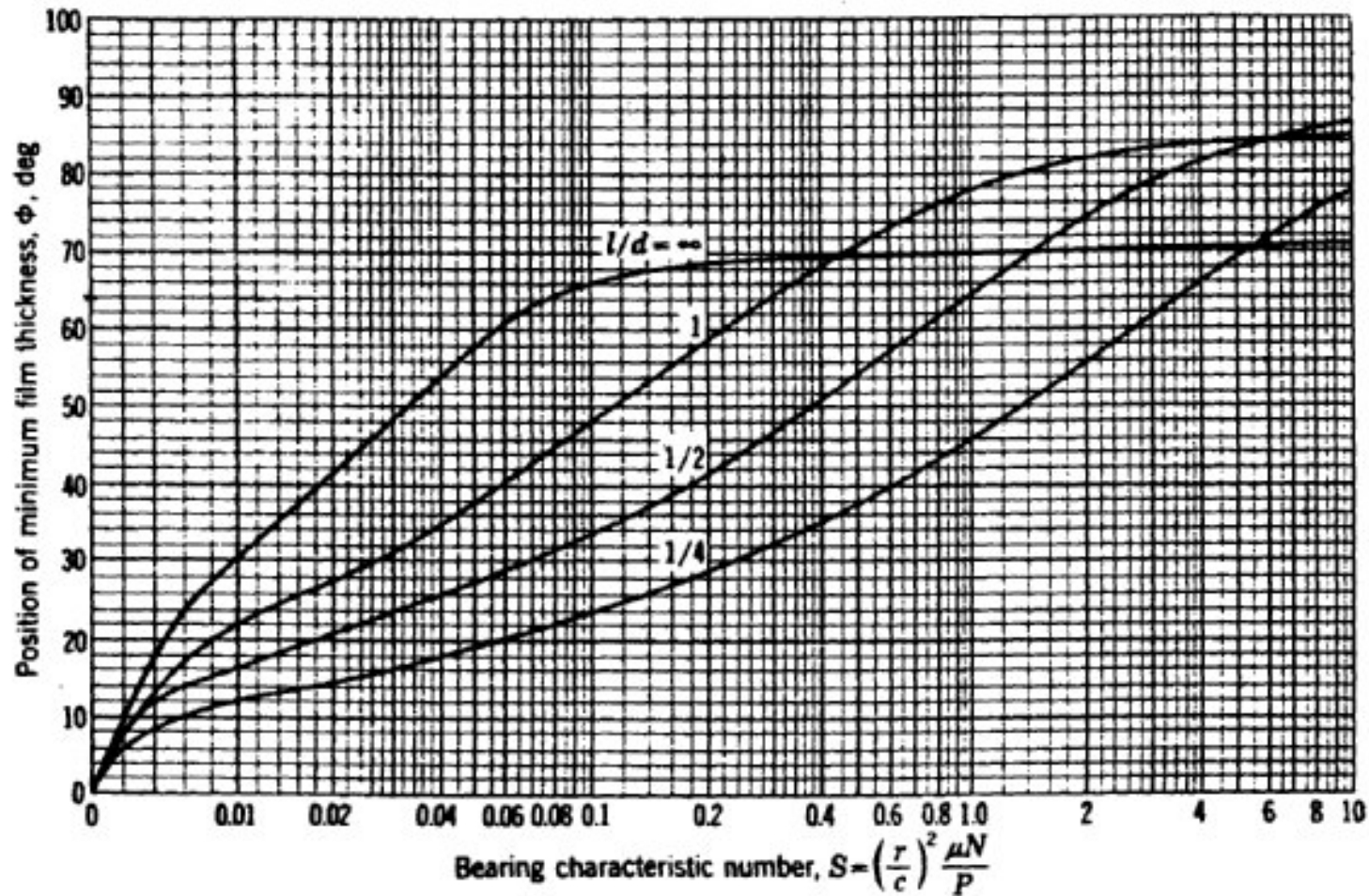


Chart for determining the position of the minimum oil film thickness

4- From figure and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find the coefficient of friction variable  $(r/c)f$ .

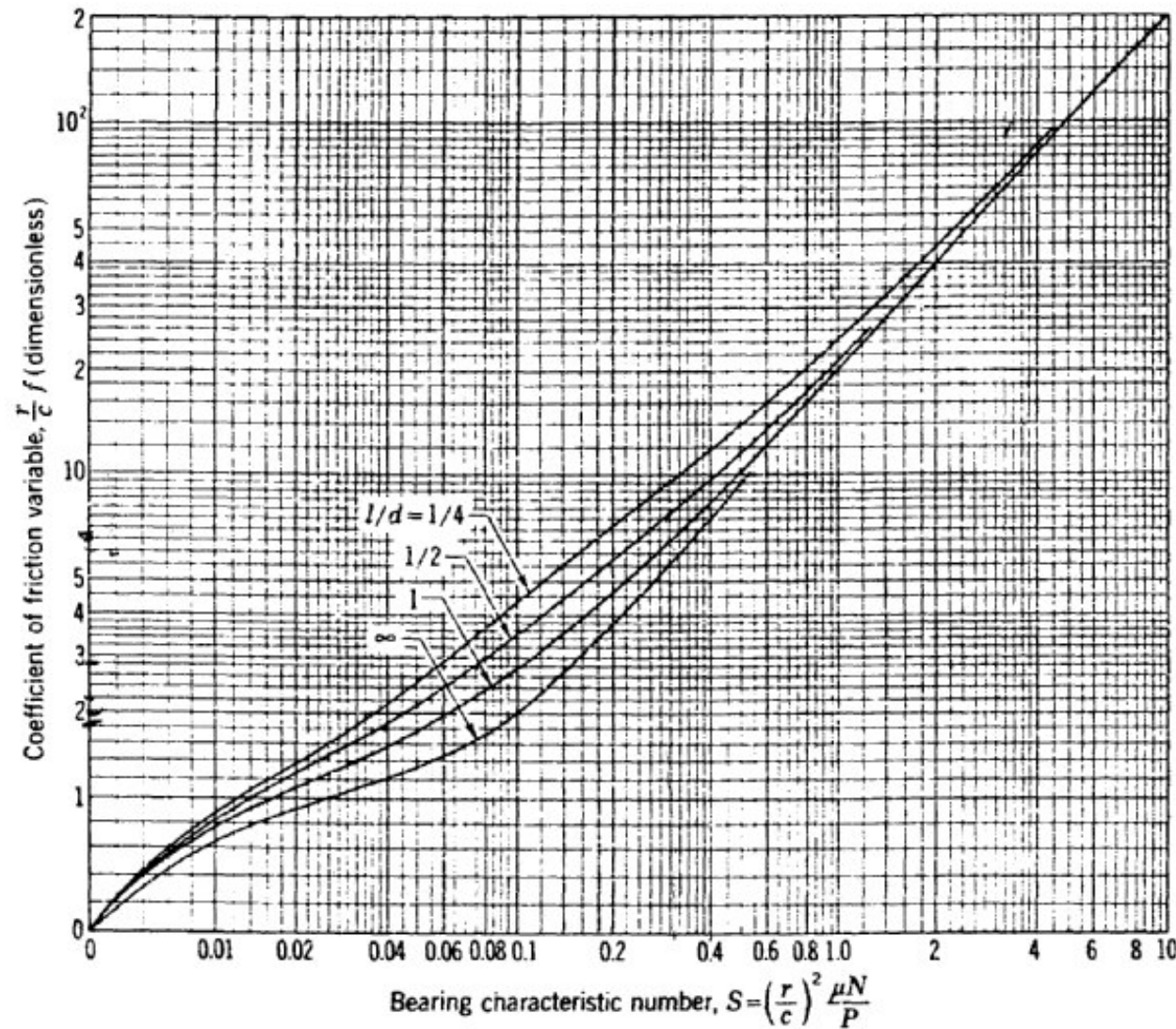


Chart for coefficient of friction variable

5- The torque required to overcome friction:

$$T = f \times W \times r$$

Where:

$f$  : Coefficient of friction

$W$  : Radial load on bearing

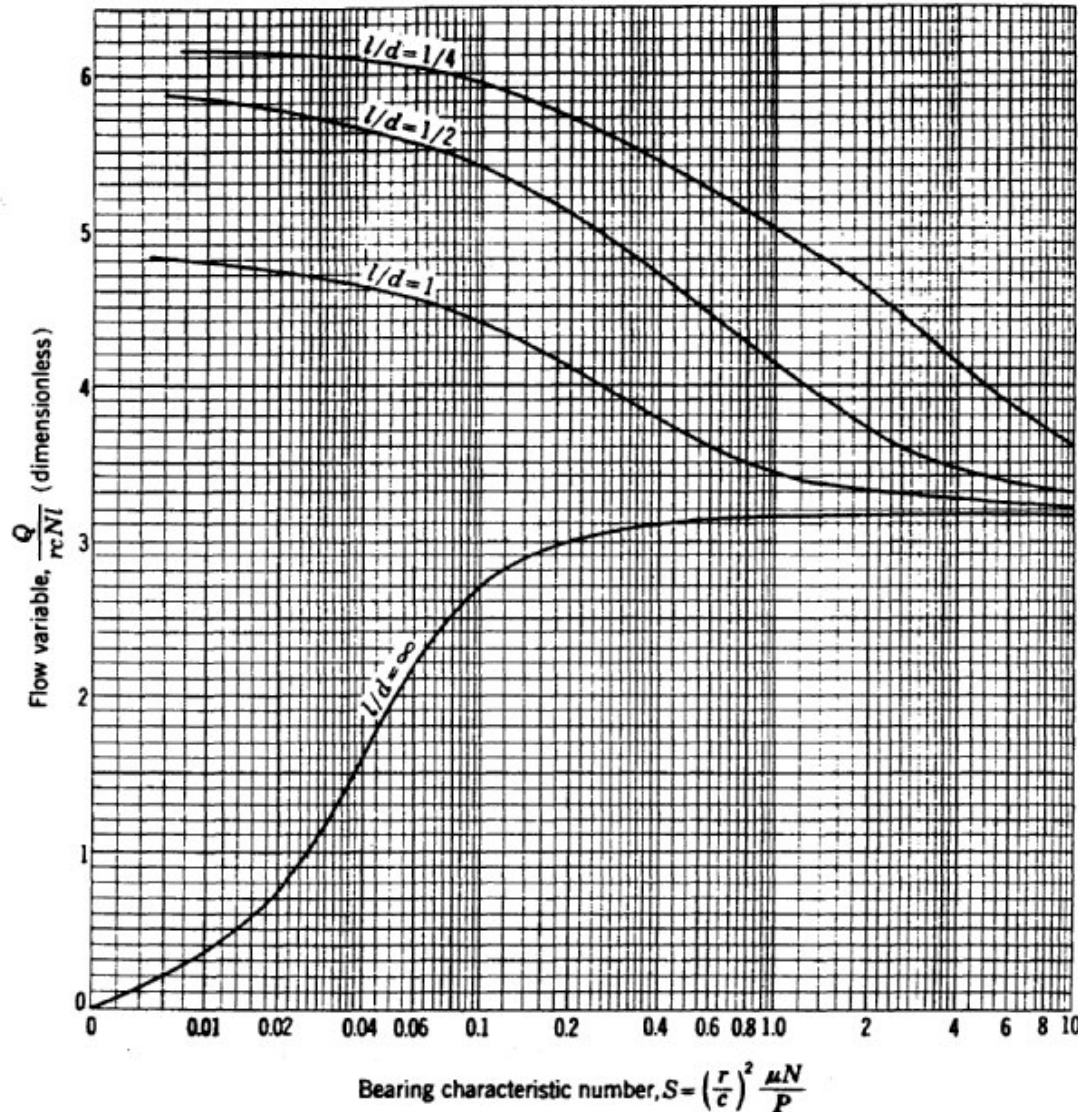
$r$  : Radius of bearing

6- The power loss (due to friction):

$$\begin{aligned} H &= T \times \omega \\ &= T \times (2\pi N) \end{aligned}$$



7- From figure (12-17) and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find the flow variable  $Q/rcNI$



- NOTE:

The amount of oil supplied to the bearing must be  $> Q$

Chart for flow variable

8- From figure and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find the side leakage variable ( $Q_s/Q$ ).

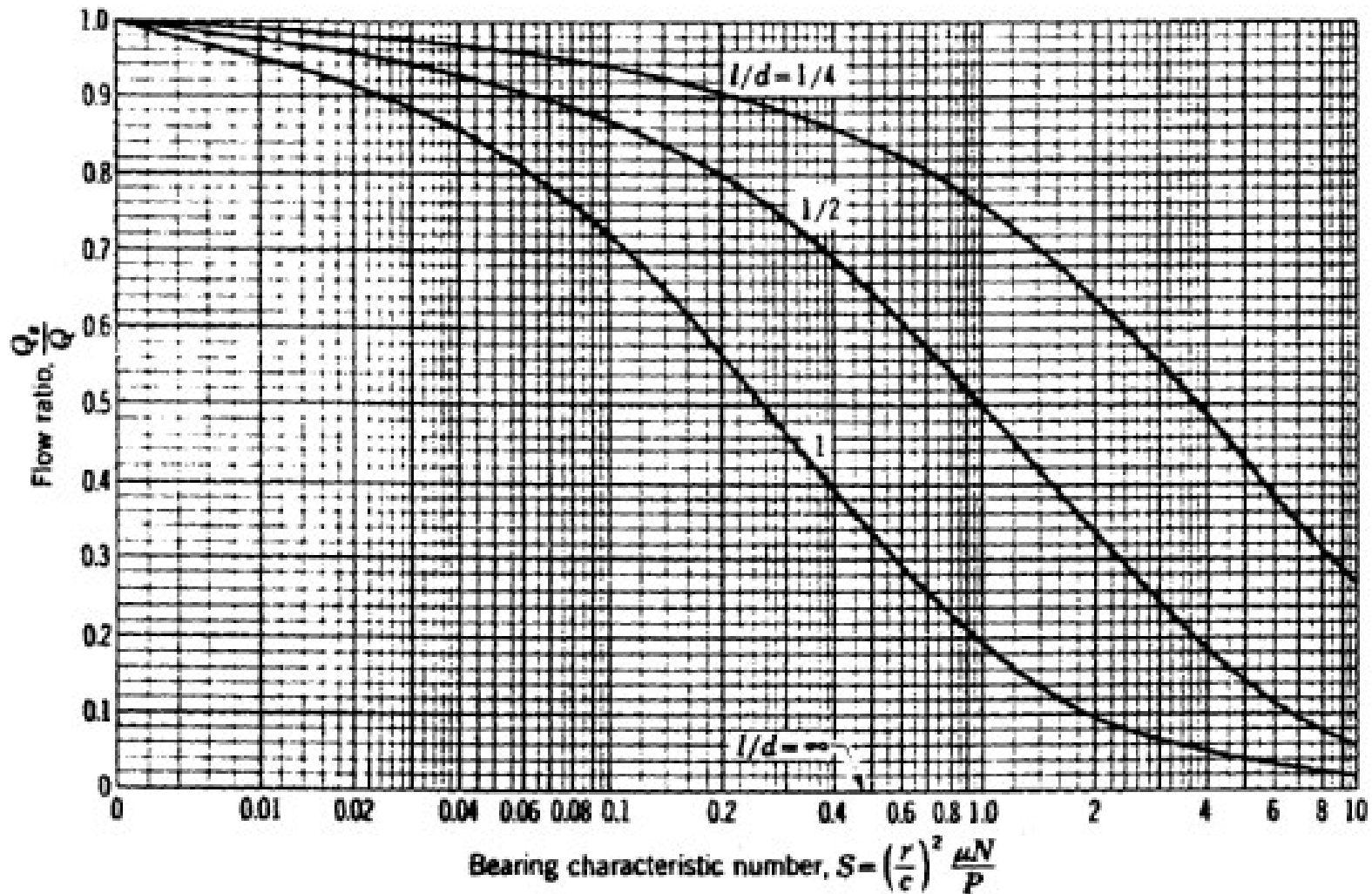


Chart for side leakage variable



9- From figures and for certain  $l/d$  and  $S \rightarrow$  Find the maximum film pressure variable ( $P/P_{\max}$ )  $\rightarrow$  figure & its angular location ( $\theta_{P_{\max}}$ ) and the terminating position of the oil film ( $\theta_{P_0}$ )

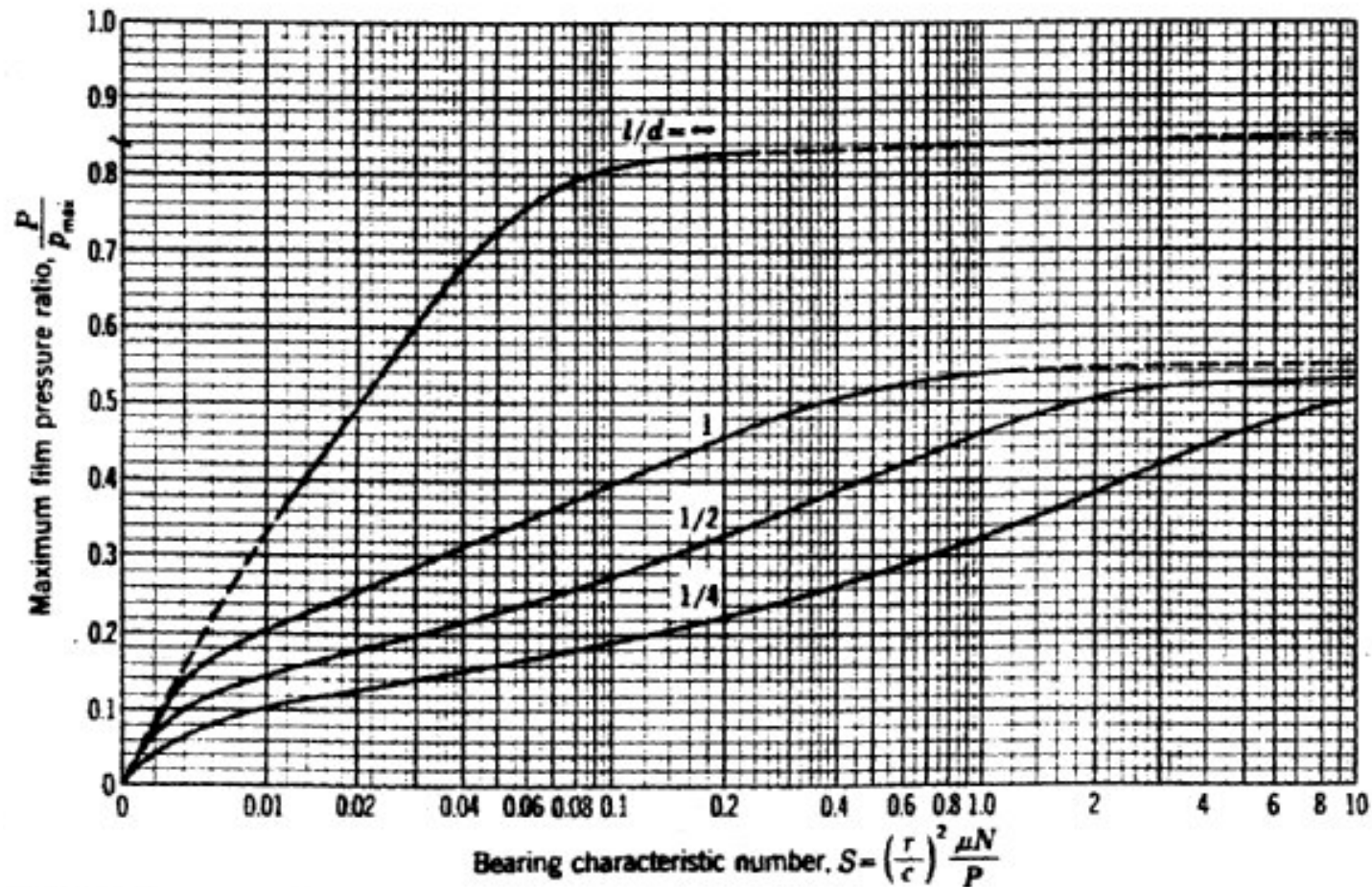


Chart for maximum film pressure variable

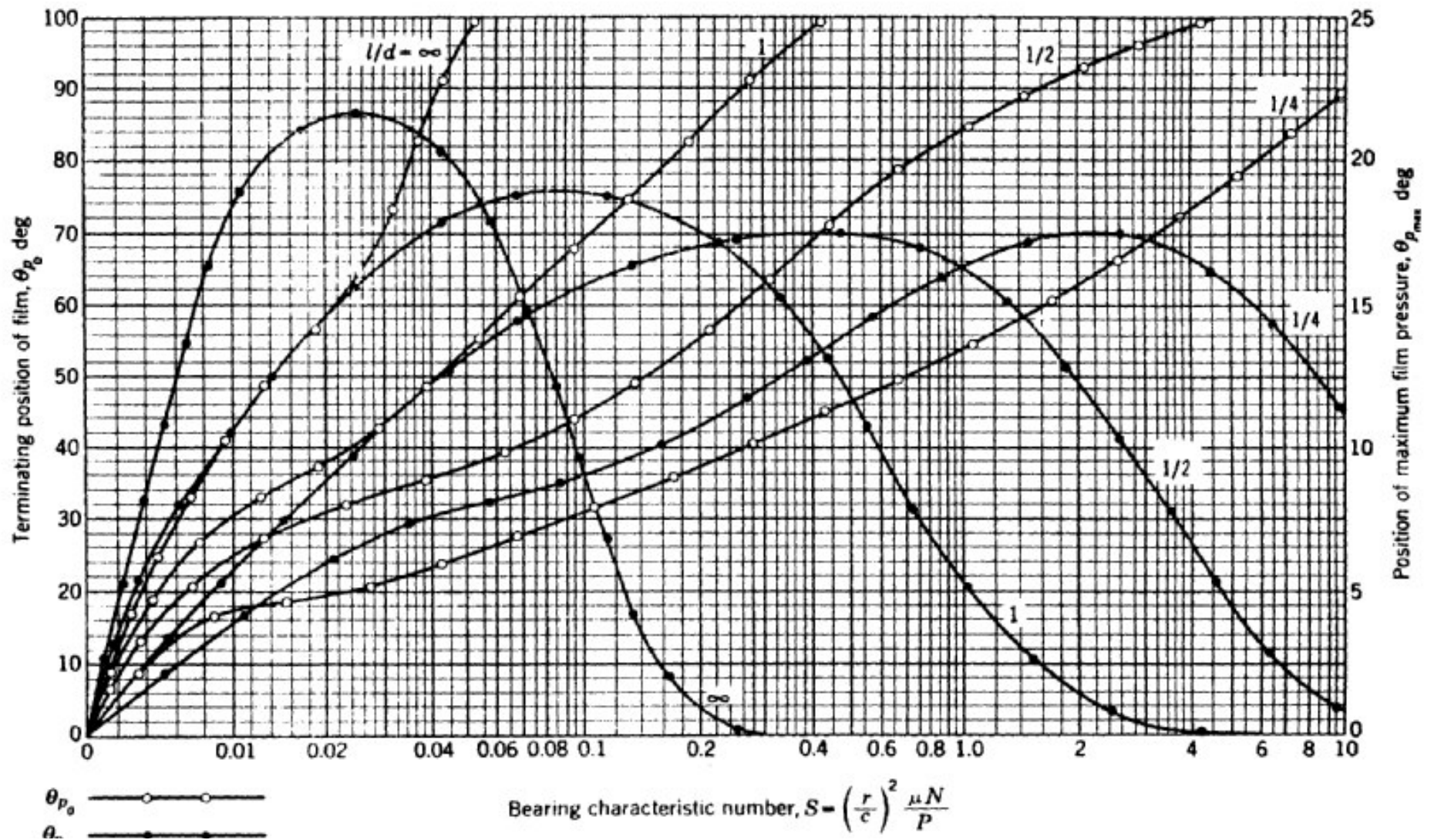


Chart for finding the terminating position of the lubricant film and the position of maximum film pressure