

Industrial Technology Virtual Learning

9-12/Advanced Metals :mechanical fasteners April 23, 2020



Lesson: April 23, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:

Students will identify different types of mechanical fasteners and their proper application.

Metal Fasteners

Fasteners

- Metal assemblies are often held together with fasteners, hardware devices that mechanically join or affix two or more objects together.
- Assembling with most types of fasteners allows components to be repeatedly assembled and disassembled.
- This is important where a product is expected to undergo modifications, repairs, or where it may provide access into an assembly.



Bolts

- Threaded shafts that use a threaded nut to fasten metal together.
- Bolts are sized by length and thread.
- Bolts are stronger than screws.
- Bolts are classified by the type of head.
 - Stove bolts and machine screws (actually bolts) are turned with a screwdriver.
 - Hexagonal- and square-head bolts are held in place with a wrench while the nut is turned to tighten.





Types of Bolts

- Carriage bolt
 - Smooth round head & coarse thread that starts part way down the shaft.
 - Usually used to attach a wooden part to metal.
- Machine bolt
 - Hexagonal head & only partially threaded.
 - Used for precision attachment using threads to secure materials together.
- Tap bolt
 - Similar to a machine bolt but the whole body is threaded.
- Stove bolt
 - Round or flat head with coarse thread along the whole body.
 - General purpose fastener used when precision fit is not necessary.
- Stud bolt
 - No head and threaded on both ends.
 - One end is driven into material & the other end is left exposed so that other parts can be fastened to it.



Types of Machine Screws

- Machine & cap screws
 - Come with a variety of head & thread types.
 - Used for precision fit into thread holes in metal.
- Setscrew
 - Made with square heads or no heads.
 - Typically used for safety reasons to hold a sleeve, collar or gear on a shaft to prevent relative motion.
- Thumbscrews
 - Has one or two wings or a knurled head.
 - Used where a screw must be turned by hand using the thumb and a finger.



Fig. 25-4 Cap screw heads. Note the different positions.



Fig. 25-5 Headed and headless set screws.



Sheet Metal Screws

- Short thick screws that are self-threading (cut or form their own threads as driven into soft metals).
- Used in the economical assembly of sheet metal.
- Threaded all the way down the shank.
- Come in a variety of head types depending on application.





Fig. 25-22 Thread-forming screws.

Lag Screw

- Bolt is a bolt head with a screw body.
- Has either a square or hexagonal head.
- Used in fastening where maximum holding power is needed (i.e.- holding a vice to to a workbench).



Bolts, screws detailed video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= Lz2dRA7hjlQ

Nuts

- Type of hardware fastener with a threaded hole.
- Usually hexagonal to permit tightening with a wrench but may also be square, knurled, winged or otherwise shaped.
- Along with a bolt, nuts are designed to capture and fasten objects together.



Type of Nuts

- Machine screw nut (Hex nut)
 - Square or hexagonal shaped with fine or coarse thread.
- Jam nut (Lock nut)
 - Thinner than an ordinary nut.
 - Used as a lock to keep another nut from loosening.
- Castle nut
 - Has slots cut into the top of the nut that extend upward making it look like a castle.
 - A hex nut with a slightly reduced slotted cylindrical section on one end.
 - Used with a cotter pin to prevent loosening.
- Wing nut
 - A nut with two thin flat wings.
 - Used in place of a regular nut and can be turned with the thumb and forefinger.



MACHINE SCREW NUTS



JAM NUT



CASTLE NUT



Types of nuts video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dV7vkljFCIA

Washers

- Placed under the bolt head or the nut for a firmer fasten.
- Designed to protect the surface under a bolt or nut.
- Used to spread load of a mechanical connection out over a greater area.





Type of Washers

- Plain washers
 - Circular, small flat piece to widen the bearing surface of a bolt head or nut.
 - Measured by the diameter of the bolt that fits into it.
- Lock washer
 - Used to lock a nut or screw in place, prevent it from moving from vibrations.
 - Helical spring looks like a coil from a spring that tightens when applied to prevent movement.
 - Toothed has teeth that wedge into bearing surface when applied to prevent movement.



Fig. 25-12 The shape of a plain washer.





Fig. 25-14 Common tooth-type lock washers.

Pins

- Used to hold mechanical parts together or limit travel of moving parts.
- Cotter pin
 - Made of soft wire.
 - Placed through a hole in a bolt behind a castle nut to prevent the nut from turning.
- Tapered pin
 - Used to hold a collar or pulley against a shaft.
- Roll pins
 - Made from sheet steel that is rolled into a tube.
 - Driven into holes slightly larger than a standard hole size so they grip tightly when pounded in.







Fig. 25-18 An assortment of roll pins.

Keys

- Used to keep pulleys and gears from moving on shafts.
- Half the key fits into the keyway (a slot on the shaft), the other half fits into a slot that is on the pulley or gear.
- Square key
 - Most commonly used.
- Gib-head key
 - Toothed key that is useful when you need to remove the key from one side of the pulley or gear.
 - Can be removed with a wedge.
- Woodruff key
 - Semicircular in shape and fits a matching semicircular pocket in the shaft.
 - Key becomes locked in position and cannot be knocked loose due to vibration.



Review Questions

1.) what type of bolt has coarse thread that starts part way down the shaft?

2.) What is a machine bolt?

3.) What is the difference between a machine bolt and a tap bolt

- 4.) according to the video over bolts, what is the term for a bolt with an circular ring on the head end?
- 5.) what type of nut is designed to be tightened with the thumb and forefinger?