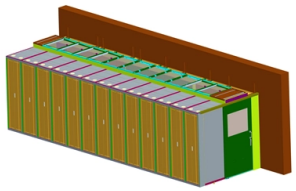
Cable tray turning foot pressure



Overview

How to Calculate Cable Pulling Tension and Sidewall PressuresThis article explains how to perform cable pulling tension and cable sidewall pressure calcula.

Key Takeaways

Cable tray turning foot pressure is the mechanical force exerted on a tray at bends or turns due to cable weight and pulling tension, and it must be managed to prevent tray deformation or cable damage.

Understanding Turning Foot Pressure

When cables are routed through a cable tray system, especially at horizontal or vertical bends, the cables exert a sidewall pressure on the tray walls and fittings. This pressure is influenced by: Cable weight and diameterBend radius (smaller radii increase pressure)Pulling tension during installationNumber of cables in the tray Sidewall pressure is measured as the normal force pushing the cable against the tray wall at the bend. For typical instrumentation or power cables, the Maximum Allowable Sidewall Pressure (MASP) ranges from 4380 N/m to 7300 N/m of bend radius, depending on cable construction and material.

Armoured cables generally have a lower MASP, around 4380 N/m.

Factors Affecting Turning Foot Pressure

Bend Radius: Tighter bends increase the pressure on the tray and cables. Always follow manufacturer recommendations for minimum bend radius. Cable Bundle Size: Larger bundles increase cumulative pressure at bends.

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Proper spacing and support are essential. Support Spacing: Adequate support distances reduce bending stress and prevent tray deformation.

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N 61537 and BS EN 61537 provide guidance on support spacing for different tray types. Pulling Tension: During installation, pulling cables around bends increases localized pressure. Using rollers or turning devices can reduce friction and pressure.

Best Practices

Use pre-fabricated bends and fittings designed for the tray system to distribute pressure evenly. Ensure support brackets are installed near bends to prevent sagging or excessive stress. Avoid using cable trays as walkways; human weight can significantly increase turning foot pressure and risk damage.

For long cable runs, calculate cable pulling tension and sidewall pressure to ensure it does not exceed MASP values.

Summary

Cable tray turning foot pressure is a critical factor in safe and reliable cable installation. Proper design, support placement, and adherence to bend radius and MASP limits ensure that the tray system can handle the mechanical forces without deformation or cable damage. Using manufacturer guidelines and standards like DIN EN 61537 or BS EN 61537 is essential for compliance and safety.

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