

## Rolling bearing construction

Most rolling bearings consist of rings with raceway (inner ring and outer ring), rolling elements (either balls or rollers) and cage. The cage separates the rolling elements at regular intervals, holds them in place within the inner and outer raceways, and allows them to rotate freely.

## Classification of rolling bearings

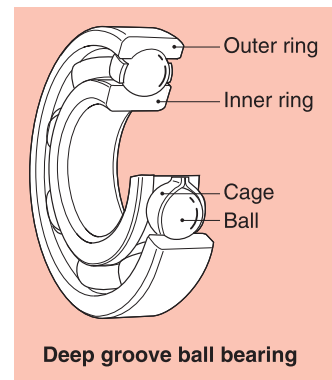
Rolling bearings divide into two main classifications: ball bearings and roller bearings. Ball bearings are classified according to their bearing ring configurations: deep groove type and angular contact type. Roller bearings on the other hand are classified according to the shape of the rollers: cylindrical, needle, tapered and spherical. Rolling bearings can be further classified according to the direction in which the load is applied; radial bearings carry radial loads and thrust bearings carry axial loads.

## Other classifications

- 1) Number of rolling rows (single, double, or 4-row),
- 2) Separable and non-separable, in which either the inner ring or the outer ring can be detached.
- 3) There are also bearings designed for special purposes, such as Automotive and other applications

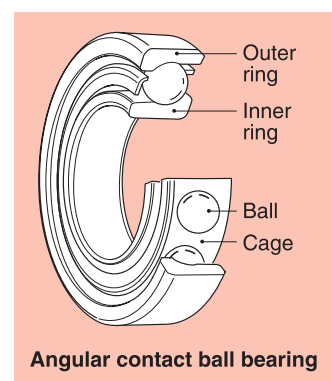
## Deep groove ball bearings

The most common type of bearing, deep groove ball bearings are widely used in a variety of fields. Deep groove ball bearings include shield bearings and sealed bearings with grease enabling easier usage. Deep groove ball bearings also include bearings with a locating snap-ring to facilitate positioning when mounting the outer ring. These type of bearings supports radial load on both directions. Deep groove ball bearings are also classified into Thin series, Light series, Medium series and Heavy series ball bearings.



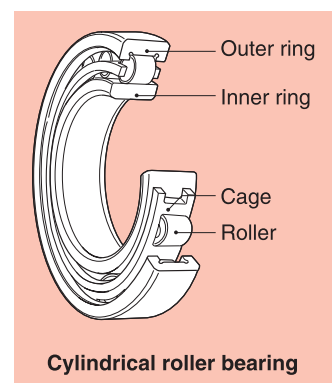
## Angular contact ball bearings

Angular contact ball bearings unite point of contact of the inner ring, ball and the outer ring runs at a certain angle (contact angle) in the radial direction. Bearings are generally designed with three contact angles. Angular contact ball bearings can support an axial load, but cannot be used as single bearing because of the contact angle. They must instead be used in pairs or in combinations. Angular contact ball bearings include double row angular contact ball bearings for which the inner and outer rings are combined as a single unit. The contact angle of double row angular contact ball bearings is  $25^\circ$ . These type support certain amount of combined loads.



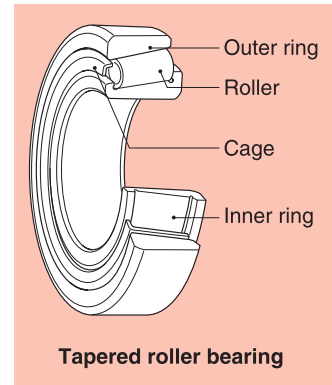
## Cylindrical roller bearings

Cylindrical roller bearings use rollers for rolling elements, and therefore has a high load capacity. The rollers are guided by the ribs of the inner or outer ring. The inner and outer rings can be separated to facilitate assembly, and both can be fitted with shaft or housing tightly. If there are no ribs, either the inner or the outer ring can move freely in the axial direction. Cylindrical roller bearings are of different types, like N, NU, NJ, NUP, NF depending upon the construction of inner and outer rings. Cylindrical roller bearings are designed with multiple row rollers and full compliment rollers without cage depending on the applications. These bearings are suitable for heavy radial and impact loading and are appropriate for high speed applications.



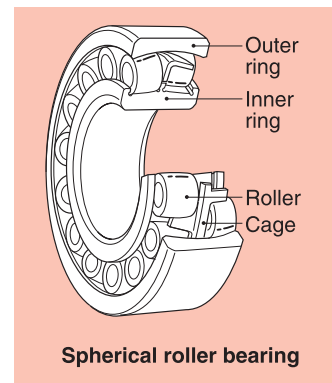
**Tapered roller bearings**

Taper roller bearings are designed such that the outer ring, inner ring and the rollers have tapered surfaces whose apexes converge at a common point on the bearing axis. Taper rollers are available in metric as well as inch dimensions most commonly called as metric series and inch series. Taper rollers are available in Single, Double and four row, these type of bearings are suitable for Heavy and Impact load application and can take both radial and axial load simultaneously.



**Spherical roller bearings**

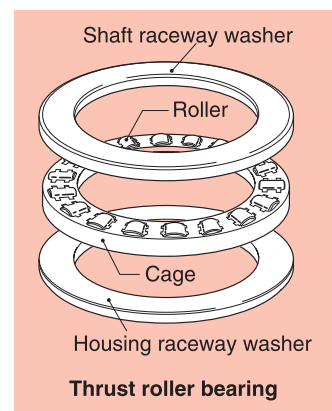
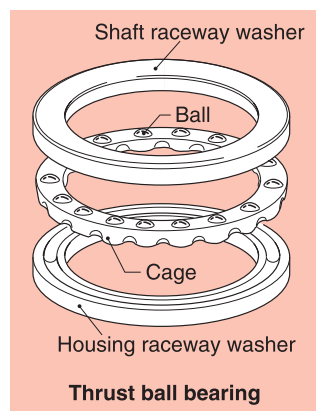
Spherical roller bearings are equipped with an outer ring with a spherical raceway surface and an inner ring which holds two rows of barrel shaped rolling elements, spherical roller bearings are able to adjust center alignment to handle inclination of the axle or shaft. There are varieties of bearing types that differ according to internal design. Spherical roller bearings include as type equipped with an inner ring with a tapered bore. The bearing can easily be mounted on a shaft by means of an adapter or withdrawal sleeve. The bearing is capable of supporting heavy loads, and is therefore often used in industrial machinery. Gages for these bearings are of both steel and brass depending on the applications.



**Thrust bearings**

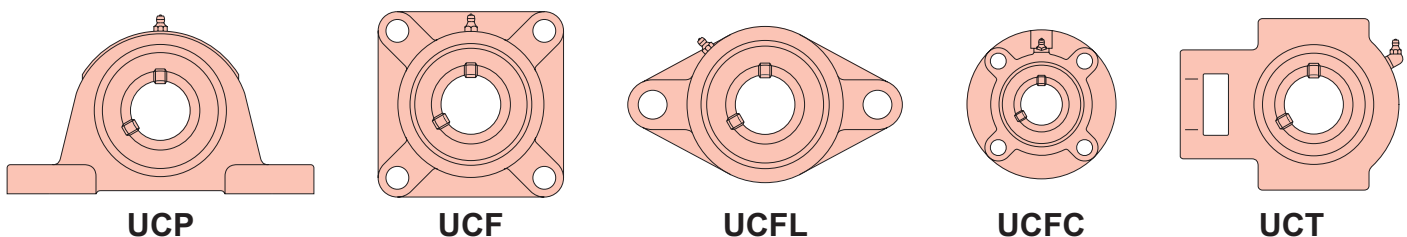
Thrust bearings are classified in accordance to the rolling elements they contain and generally the allowable rotational speed is very low.

Thrust ball bearing with single row is called as single direction Thrust ball bearings and can take axial load in one direction, whereas Thrust ball bearing with double row is called as double direction Thrust ball bearings and can take axial load from both directions. Thrust bearings with rollers as rolling element can accommodate a certain amount of radial load along with axial loads.



**Ball Bearing unit**

A ball bearing unit is comprised of a ball bearing inserted into various types of housings. The housing can be bolted onto machinery and the inner ring can be easily mounted on the shaft with a set screw. This means the bearing unit can support rotating equipment without special design to allow for mounting. A variety of standardized housing shapes is available, including pillow and flange types. The outer diameter of the bearing is spherical just like the inner diameter of the housing, so it capable of aligning itself on the shaft. For lubrication, grease is sealed inside the bearing, and particle penetration is prevented by a double seal with 3 lip

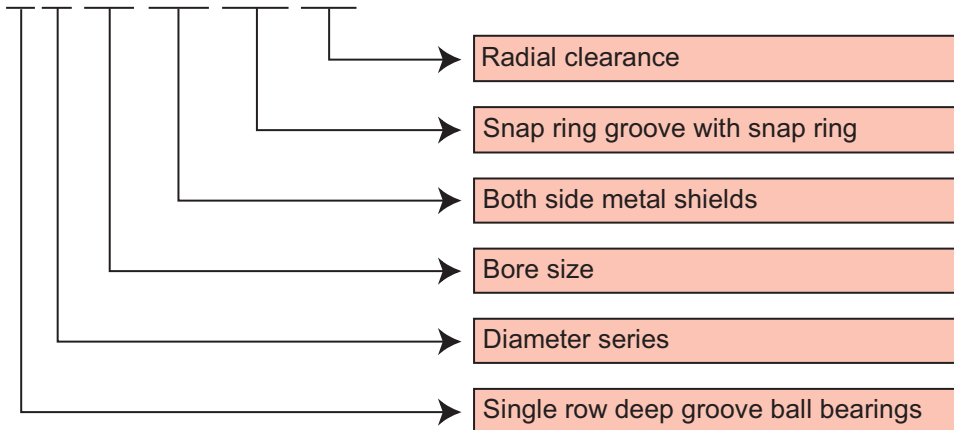


## Bearing Designation, prefix and suffix

Rolling bearing part numbers indicate bearing type, dimensions, tolerances, internal construction, and other related specifications. Bearing numbers are comprised of a “basic number” followed by “supplementary codes.” The basic number indicates general information about a bearing, such as its fundamental type, boundary dimensions, series number, bore diameter code and contact angle. The supplementary codes derive from prefixes and suffixes which indicate a bearing’s tolerance, internal clearance, and related specifications.

## Ball bearings

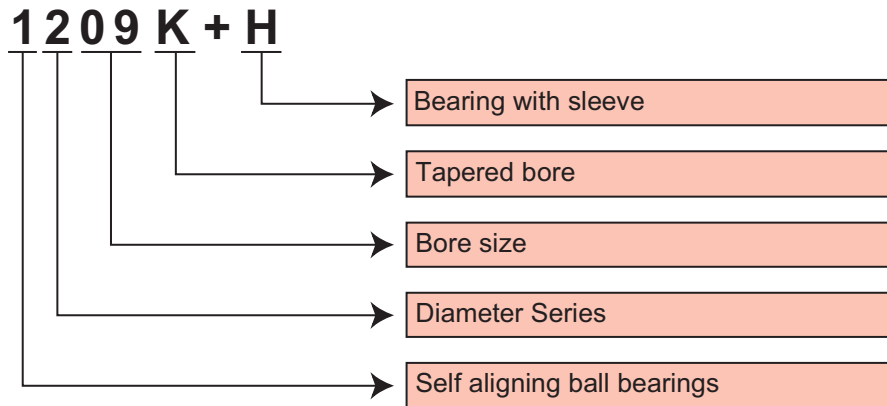
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Bearing type	Bearing series	Diameter series
Single row ball bearings	68,69,160,60,62,63,64,622,623	8,9,0,0,2,3,4,2,3
Double row ball bearings	42,43	2,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
F	Flanged outer ring	CM	Electric motor clearance
RLS	Inch type ball bearing	C2	Radial clearance lesser than normal
RMS	Inch type ball bearing	C3	Radial clearance higher than normal
		C4	Radial clearance higher than C3
		DDU	Bearings with non contact type rubber seals
		LLU	Bearings with contact type rubber seals
		M	Machined brass cage
		N	With snap ring groove
		NR	Snap ring groove with snap ring
		P6	Precision class 6
		Z	With one side metal shield
		ZZ	With both side metal shield
		ZNR	With one side metal shield and snap ring groove with snap ring

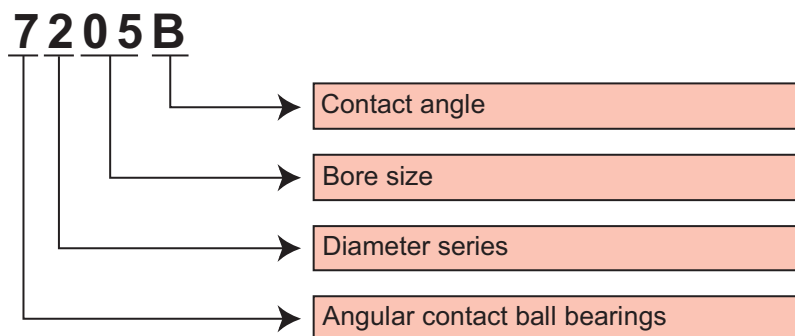
## Self Aligning ball bearings



Bearing type	Bearing Series	Diameter series
Self-aligning ball bearings	12,22,13,23	2,2,3,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
		K	With tapered bore
		+H	With adapter sleeve

## Angular Contact ball bearings

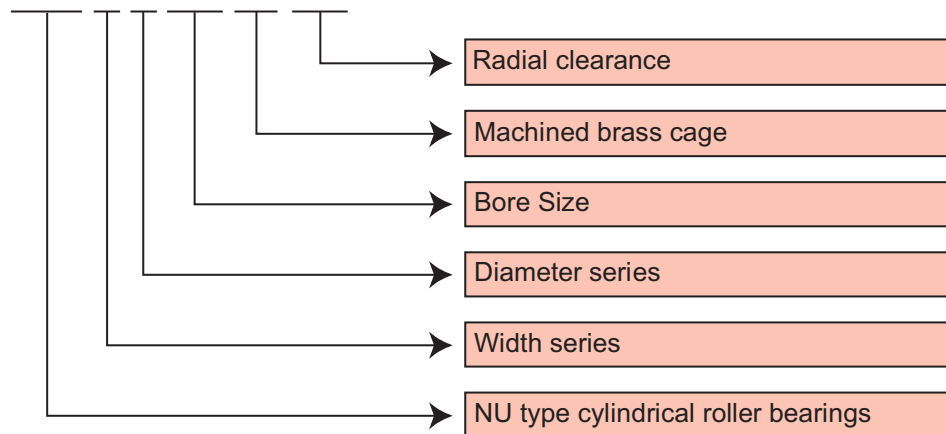


Bearing type	Bearing Series	Diameter series
Angular contact ball bearings	72,73	2,3
Double row angular contact ball bearing with filling slot (maximum capacity)	32,33	2,3
Double row angular contact ball bearing without filling slot	52,53	2,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
		A	30 degree contact angle
		B	40 degree contact angle
		TVP	With reinforced polyamide cage
		C	15 degree contact angle
		M	Brass cage

## Cylindrical roller bearings

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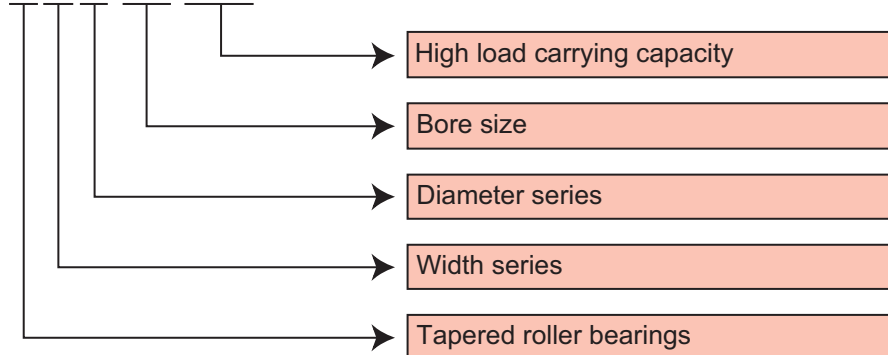


Bearing type	Bearing series	Diameter series
Cylindrical roller bearing	2,22,3,32	2,2,3,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
N	Bearings with both side sliding outer ring	N	With snap ring groove
NJ	Bearings with one side sliding inner ring	NR	Snap ring groove and snap ring
NU	Bearings with both side sliding inner ring	V	Full compliment bearings
NUP	Bearing with fixed inner and outer ring		

## Tapered Roller bearings

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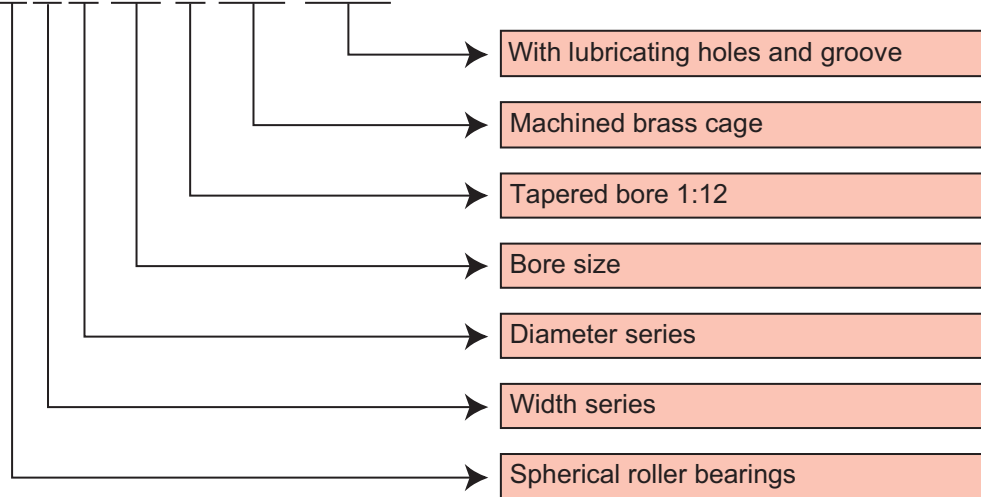


Bearing type	Bearing Series	Diameter series
Taper roller bearing	320,330,331,302,322,332,303,313,323	0,0,1,2,2,2,3,3,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
HC	Hi-cap	D	Steep contact angel (24°~32°) metric series
HM	Heavy medium duty inch series	JR	High load carrying capacity
JL	J series taper roller bearings		
JLM	J series light medium duty inch series		
L	Light duty inch series		
LM	Light medium duty inch series		
M	Medium duty inch series		

**Spherical Roller bearings**

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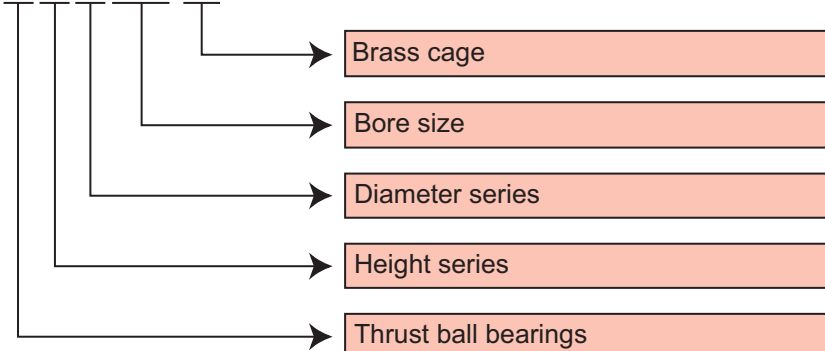


Bearing type	Bearing Series	Diameter series
Spherical roller bearings	239,230,240,231,241,222,232,213,223,	9,0,0,1,1,2,2,3,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
		CC	Steel cage
		CA	Machined single brass cage
		K	Tapered bore 1:12
		K30	Tapered bore 1:30
		M	Machined brass cage
		MA	Machined brass cage outer ring guided
		MB	Machined brass cage inner ring guided
		W33	Lubricating holes and groove on outer ring

**Thrust ball bearings**

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Bearing type	Bearing Series	Diameter series
Thrust ball bearing	511,512,513	1,2,3

Prefix	Description	Suffix	Description
		M	Machined brass cage