NTN New Generation Bearings (ULTAGE[™] series)



Introduction of ULTAGE[™] series

"ULTAGE[™]" (a name created from the combination of "ultimate", signifying refinement, and "stage", signifying **NTN**'s intention that this series of products be employed in diverse applications) is the general name for **NTN**'s new generation of rolling bearings that are noted for their industry-leading performance. **NTN** is developing and expanding the ULTAGE[™] series of each bearing type. Please see the introductory article on the following pages. The corresponding dimensions are specified in the dimension tables of each bearing type. For details, see the following **NTN** catalogs.

ULTAGE [™] series	cylindrical roller bearings ······ CAT.No.3037/E
ULTAGE [™] series	large size tapered roller bearings [Metric] CAT.No.3035/E
ULTAGE [™] series	spherical roller bearings [Type EA, Type EM] ······ CAT.No.3033/E

The following ULTAGE[™] series bearings for special applications are also available. For further details, please refer to the section of "C. Special Application Bearings".

ULTAGE™ seriessealed four-row tapered roller bearings for rolling mill roll necks
[CROU-LL type]ULTAGE™ seriessealed spherical roller bearings [WA type]ULTAGE™ seriesspherical roller bearings with high-strength cage [EMA type]ULTAGE™ seriesdeep groove ball bearings for high-speed servo motors [MA type]ULTAGE™ seriesprecision rolling bearings for machine tools

ULTAGE[™] series cylindrical roller bearings

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Features

1. Long operating life

The optimization of internal specifications and industry leading load ratings have led to higher load capacities and longer operating lives.

- (1) Rating life: Up to 1.2 times longer (compared with NTN E type product)
- (2) Basic dynamic load rating: Up to 7 % higher (compared with NTN E type product)

2. Improved load capacity (see Fig. 1)

Allowable misalignment: 1/500 (mm/mm)Optimization of the roller crowning allows a combination of heavy loads ($0.20C_r$) and allowable misalignment of 1/500 (mm/mm).

*Necessary minimum load: $0.04C_{0r}$

3. Higher speed

The allowable speed is increased up to 20 % in oil lubrication (compared with $\ensuremath{\textbf{NTN}}$ E type product).

4. Standard resin cage (see Fig. 2)

- Standard use of integrated resin cage results in higher limiting speed and longer life of grease.
- (2) Resin cage material: polyamide reinforced with glass fiber.
- * When machined cages are necessary for high speed and other special applications, consult **NTN** Engineering.

5. Interchangeability

The boundary dimensions conform to ISO 15, JIS B 1533, and DIN 5412 and are the same as that of the **NTN** E type products.

6. Allowable axial load

Same as **NTN** E type product

7. Allowable temperature

Allowable bearing operating temperature:

120 °C (instantaneous), 100 °C (continuous)





Fig. 2

Bearing number

Cylindrical roller bearings



* When the bearing is the NUP type, a code U is added at the end of the part number.



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[Bearing type]



NUP type structure Outer ring (with double ribs) Roller Cage Inner ring (with single rib) Inner ring collar ring The outer ring, roller, cage assembly, inner ring, and collar ring can be separated.

ULTAGE[™] series large size tapered roller bearings [metric]

Large size tapered roller bearings (ULTAGETM metric series with an outside diameter of ϕ 270 mm or more) are the products developed to meet the demands of "long operating life", "improved load capability", and "higher speed" that are required for various industrial machinery.



Features

1. Long operating life

The optimization of internal specifications and industry leading load ratings have led to higher load capacities and longer operating lives (see **Fig. 1**).

- (1) Rating life: 1.6 times longer (compared to conventional NTN products)
- (2) Basic dynamic rating load: 16 % larger (compared to conventional NTN products)

2. Improved load capacity

Allowable misalignment (single row): 1/600Optimization of the roller crowning has allowed a combination of heavy loads ($0.27C_r$) and allowable misalignment of 1/600. * Necessary minimum load: $0.04C_{0r}$

Fig. 1 shows the contact stress distribution of rollers considering an applied radial load of $F_r \le 0.27C_r$. By optimizing the roller crowning, the edge stress is greatly reduced and the contact stress is made uniform compared with conventional **NTN** products.

[Examined condition]

Bearing: 30328UUTG (ULTAGE[™] product) 30328U (conventional **NTN** product) Load : 0.27C_r Misalignment: 1/600 *The allowable misalignment differs depending on the loads and the bearing type. Please consult NTN Engineering.

3. Higher speed

The allowable speed is improved by up to 10 % (compared with the conventional **NTN** products) by optimizing the sliding contact zone between the roller and the inner ring, thus reducing the rotational torque and temperature rise (see **Fig. 2**, **Fig. 3**, and **Fig. 4**).

4. Dimensional change over time

Dimensional change of bearings over time has been reduced compared with conventional **NTN** products by applying special heat treatment to bearing steel.

• Reduction in dimension change over time Bearing steel ratio: 1/10 Carburizing (case hardened) steel ratio: 1/4

5. Interchangeability

The boundary dimensions conform to JIS B 1512-3 and ISO 355, and the installation dimensions are the same as that of the conventional **NTN** products. In addition, the precision also conforms to JIS B 1514-1 and ISO 492.

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Fig. 2 Optimization of the sliding contact zone between the roller and inner ring



Fig. 3 Rotational torque test result



Fig. 4 Temperature rise test result

Bearing number

Single row tapered roller bearings



Double row back-to-back tapered roller bearings



Double row face-to-face tapered roller bearings



ULTAGETM series **Spherical roller bearings** [Type EA, Type EM]

ULTAGE[™] series spherical roller bearings are the products developed to meet the demands of "long operating life", "higher speed", and "Improved handling" that are required for various industrial machinery.



Features [Type EA]

1. Long operating life

Increasing the roller diameter, maximizing the number of rollers, and industry leading load ratings have led to higher load capacities and longer operating lives (see **Fig. 1**).

- (1) Rating life: Up to 3.7 times longer (compared to conventional NTN products)
- (2) Basic dynamic rating load: Up to 50 % higher (compared to conventional NTN products)
- (3) Basic static rating load: Up to 35 % higher (compared to conventional NTN products)

2. Higher speed

Higher speed is realized through the adoption of a new pressed steel cage design. [Allowable speed: Up to 20 % higher (compared to conventional **NTN** products)]

3. Improved handling

Adoption of the simple window type new pressed steel cage improved the workability at the time of assembly, disassembly, and grease application.

- (1) Improved application of grease to the roller surface
- (2) Improved roller retention contributes to easier assembly/disassembly

4. Standard use of pressed steel cage

For the pressed steel cage, "window type" with rigidity is adopted, and the roller pocket is provided with four tabs (projections) (see Fig. 2 and Fig. 3).

- (1) Cage back surface used for guidance.
 (2) The four pocket tabs stabilize the position of rollers.
- (3) The new pocket shape allows consistent supply of lubricating oil and grease to the internal bearing surfaces (see Fig. 4).
- (4) Special surface treatment is applied to the entire surface to improve the abrasion resistance.

5. Reduced size and weight

High load capacity has allowed for downsizing and a lighter weight.

Comparison example

Bearing number	Load rating (kN)		Boundary dimension (mm)	Bearing volume (cm ³)	Mass (kg)			
	Cr	C_{0r}						
22220B	350	415	φ100×φ180×46	810	4.95			
22218EA	384	398	φ90×φ160×40	550	3.34			
The volume weight and mass weight can be								

reduced by about 30 %.



Fig. 1



Fig. 2





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[Allowable misalignment angle]

Normal load or more	1/115
●Light load	1/30

* Misalignment beyond the above limits may cause the roller to protrude from the outer ring, causing interference with the peripheral components.





A combined machined cage (Type EM) is recommended for conditions with severe vibration and impact (Type EM and Type EA have different inner ring shapes).



Window type pressed steel cage



One-piece machined cage Inner ring rib



Guide ring One-piece machined cage Inner ring rib

[Allowable axial load]

- $F_{\rm a}/F_{\rm r} \leq e$ Fa: Axial load
- Fr: Radial load
- *e* : Constant (see dimension table)

If this bearing type is used for a vertical shaft or under a large axial load, the load on the rollers of the row that is not subject to the axial load can become small. This small load on the rollers can result in skidding of the rollers, which can cause bearing damage. If the ratio of the radial load exceeds the factor e in the dimension table $(F_a / F_r > e)$, consult **NTN** Engineering.