CONVEYORS

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4. CABLE CONVEYORS

These conveyors form a distinct group of materials handling equipment to transport people and bulk materials in load carrying buckets, using overhead moving cables and/or wire ropes and are composed of one or more spans from the loading point to the discharge point/points covering long distances up to several kilometers. These conveyors are also known as ropeways or aerial tramways.

4. CABLE CONVEYORS

- Characteristics
- Handling from the ground to a substantial height with shortest route
- Wide varieties of materials including human passengers may be transported.
- Carrying minerals from mines to their processing stations.
- Cost is less
- No need of re-handling between points



4. CABLE CONVEYORS

- Applications
- Handling of Coal
- Cranes
- Transporting People (Carrying Bucket)

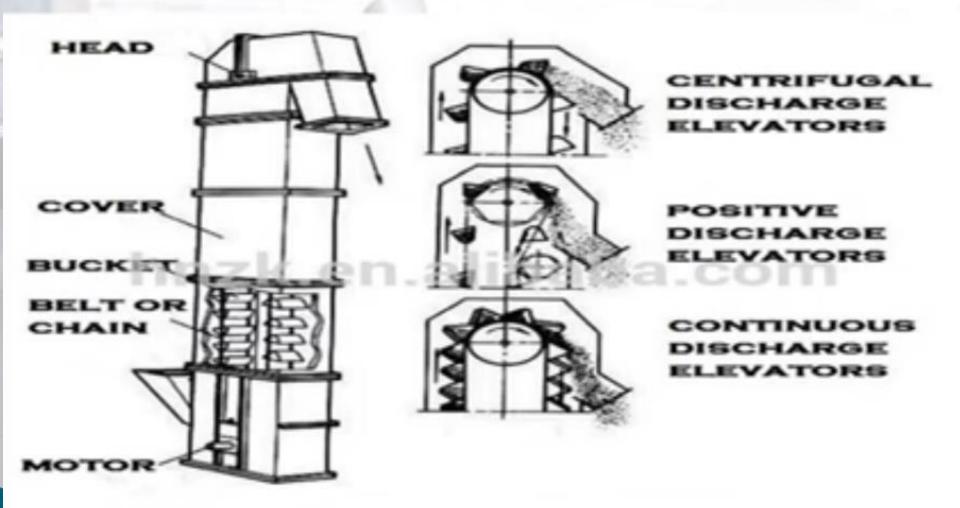
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These conveyors convey bulk loads in bucket shaped vessels which are attached to a system of moving chains or belt

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- Types
- (a) Gravity discharge bucket conveyor (V-bucket conveyor)
- (b) pivoted bucket conveyor (Suspended Conveyor)
- (c) bucket elevator (used for conveying bulk materials from a lower level to a higher level)

BUCKET CONVEYORS



TYPES OF BUCKET ELEVATORS

A roller conveyor supports unit type of load on a series of rollers, mounted on bearings, resting at fixed spacing on two side frames which are fixed to stands or trestles placed on floor at certain intervals.

- Characteristics
- Coveys unit loads ,like ingots, plates, rolled stock, pipes, logs, boxes, crates, moulding boxes etc.
- The spacing of rollers depend on the size of the unit loads to be carried

- Types
- 1. Unpowered or Idle Roller Conveyor.
- 2. Powered or Live Roller Conveyor.



- Applications
- used for conveying almost any unit load with rigid riding surface
- used between machines, buildings, in warehousing as storage racks, docks, foundries, rolling mill plants, manufacturing, assembly and packaging industry.
- used for storage between work stations and as segment of composite handling system.

- Aspects of Design
- Unpowered Roller Conveyors
- The force resistance
- 1. Frictional resistance in the roller bearings.
- 2. Resistance due to sliding of the load on the rollers
- The angle of inclination

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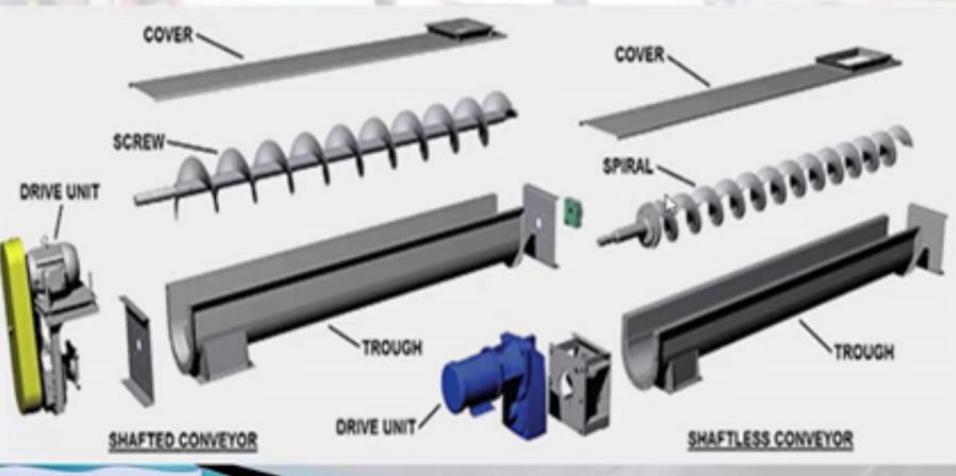
- Aspects of Design
- Powered Roller Conveyors
- Transport conveyor
- Rotated continuously in one direction irrespective of loads being on the conveyor or not.
- Reversing conveyor
- The direction of rotation of the driven rollers are changed frequently.

It consists of a continuous or interrupted helical screw fastened to a shaft which is rotated in a U-shaped trough to push fine grained bulk material through the trough.

- Advantages
- Shorter distance,
- Totally enclosed from atmosphere,
- Cheap Initial Cost,
- Simple and Compact,
- Disadvantages
- High Power Consumption
- Length is limited up to 30m
- High Maintenance

- Applications
- Granular non viscous material, or even with High temperature,
- Suitable for mixing or blending more than one materials during transportation,
- Controlling feed rate of materials in a processing plant
- Not suitable for brittle and high abrasive materials
- Not suitable for large-lumped, packing or sticking materials

STRUCTURE (PARTS)



- Aspects of Design
- 1. Recommended Dimension of a Screw Conveyor
- (Nominal Diameter_{helical screw}, Pitch_{screw}, Diameter_{shaft}, Gab between trough and screw, Hight_{Trough}, Thickness_{Trough})
- 2. Effect of Lump Size
- a. The conveying capacity
- b. The lump size
- 3. Capacity of Screw Conveyor
- a. screw diameter
- b. screw pitch
- c. rotational speed

- Aspects of Design
- 4. Power Requirements of Screw Conveyor
- PH = power necessary for conveying the material

$$P_{H} = \frac{QL'}{3600} \lambda g$$
, $kW = \frac{QL'\lambda}{367}$, kW

PN = driving power of the conveyor at no load

$$P_N = \frac{DL}{20}$$
, kw

Pst = power requirement for inclination of the conveyor

$$P_{st} = \frac{QHg}{3600} = \frac{QH}{367}, kW$$

- Q = mass flow rate in t/hour.
- L' = length of material movement in conveyor in m.
- λ = progress resistance coefficient.
- D = Nominal screw diameter, m
- L = Length of screw, m
- H = height in m.

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{H}} + \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{N}} + \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{st}}$$

