

Work

$$W = F \cdot \Delta x \quad \text{Work} = \text{Force} \times (\text{Linear Displacement}) \quad \leftarrow \text{What you already know}$$

$$W = \tau \cdot \Delta \theta \quad \text{Work} = \text{Torque} \times (\text{Angular Displacement})$$

Sample Problem:

Q. A hose facet requires a torque of 20 N-m to turn. How much work is required to turn it by 15 degrees?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A. } W &= \tau \Delta \theta = (20 \text{ Nm})(15 \text{ deg}) = (20 \text{ Nm}) \left(15 \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ rad}\right) \\ &= 5.23 \text{ Nm} = 5.23 \text{ Joules} \end{aligned}$$

Power

$$P = \frac{W}{\Delta t} \quad \text{Power} = (\text{Work done}) / (\text{time in which it is done}) \quad \leftarrow \text{What you already know}$$

Sample Problem

Q. If the hose facet of the previous problem was turned 15 degrees in 3 seconds, how much power was required to do this?

$$\text{A. Power} = \text{Work} / \text{Time} = (5.23 \text{ J}) / (3 \text{ s}) = 1.74 \text{ J/s} = 1.74 \text{ Watts}$$