

Work Done by Torque

Recall $W = F d \cos \theta$

For a wheel

$$\square \text{ Work: } W = F_{\text{tangential}} d$$

$$= F_{\text{tangential}} 2 \pi r [\theta / (2 \pi)] \quad (\theta \text{ in radians})$$

$$= F_{\text{tangential}} r \theta$$

$$= \tau \theta$$

$$\square \text{ Power: } P = W/t = \tau \theta/t$$

$$= \tau \omega$$

