

Power is the amount of energy that is consumed or produced over time.

$$P = \frac{E}{\Delta t}$$

Where P is in Watts (W), energy is in Joules (J) and time is in s (s).

Power can also be alternative expressed as the following relationship.

$$W = E = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d}$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{E}{\Delta t}$$

$$P = \frac{(\vec{F} \cdot \vec{d})}{\Delta t}$$

$$P = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$$

or

$$P = F \cdot v$$

if F and v are collinear

$$P = \vec{F} \cdot \frac{\vec{d}}{\Delta t}$$

$$P = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$$

Efficiency

$$\% \text{ Efficiency} = \frac{E_{\text{out}}}{E_{\text{in}}} \times 100$$

Where E_{out} is the **actual** useful energy output of a machine or device, in Joules (J)

E_{in} is the total **consumed** energy of a machine or device, in Joules (J)

Example 1: Determine the amount of power required to drag a 50kg sled at a speed of 5m/s, if the coefficient of friction is 0.2.

Example 2: A 3000kg SUV accelerates up a hill from 20m/s to 30 m/s. If the hill has a 20% grade and the SUV accelerates over a distance of 50m determine

- How long it takes to get up to speed
- The height increase over the time period
- The initial gravitational and kinetic energy
- The gravitational and kinetic energy at the end of the work period
- The total work done
- The power
- The amount of chemical potential energy required to accelerate the SUV up to speed if the engine is only 15% efficient