

Use torque to solve this problem ... and a bit of kinematics, too.

First, we will find the angular acceleration of the roll.

$$\vec{\tau}_{\text{pull}} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F} = |R||F| \sin 90^\circ \text{ into}$$

$$\vec{\tau}_{\text{fric}} = 1.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ out (against the motion)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{\tau}_{\text{tot}} &= \vec{\tau}_{\text{pull}} + \vec{\tau}_{\text{fric}} = (0.2 \text{ m})(20 \text{ N}) \text{ in} - 1.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ out} \\ &= 4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} - 1.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} = 2.8 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ in} \end{aligned}$$

So angular acceleration is

$$\vec{\alpha} = \frac{\vec{\tau}_{\text{tot}}}{I} = \frac{2.8 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ in}}{\frac{1}{2}(0.35 \text{ kg})(0.2 \text{ m})^2} = \frac{2.8 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m} \text{ in}}{0.007 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2} = 400 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2} \text{ in}$$

The linear acceleration of the strip of paper is

$$|a| = |R||\alpha| = (0.2 \text{ m})(400 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2}) = 80 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{is constant} \\ \text{so can use} \\ \text{kinematic eqns} \end{array}$$

So in order to reach a length of $L = 1.0 \text{ m}$, Joe must pull for

$$\begin{aligned} L &= v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \Rightarrow t = \sqrt{\frac{2L}{a}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot (1.0 \text{ m})}{80 \text{ m/s}^2}} = \boxed{0.16 \text{ s}} \\ &\quad \text{not very long.} \end{aligned}$$