

# ESA-1

## Introduction to Energy Systems

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## Energy Systems

*Interaction between:*

- Society
- Economy
- Technology
- Policy

*that shape both*

- Demand
- Supply

*in terms of quantity, quality, costs, impacts.*

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## Definitions & IS Units

- Energy: Capacity to do work
- Power: Rate of energy transfer
  
- Newton (N):  $1 \text{ kg m/s}^2$  (force)
- Joule (J): 1 N applied over 1 m (energy)
- Watt (W): 1 J/second (power)
  
- Example: 1 HP = 745 W (745 J/s)  
for 1 hr = 0.745 kWh

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## Examples of Power and Energy (ranked by power ratings)

	Power W	Time Sec's	Energy J (W/s)
Solar energy to earth per year	1.8 E 17	3.2 E 7	5.5 E 24
Earthquake 8 Richter scale	2.0 E 15	3.0 E 1	6.0 E 16
Global energy use for 2000	1.4 E 13	3.2 E 7	4.4 E 20
Thunderstorm (kinetic energy)	1.0 E 11	1.2 E 3	1.2 E 14
Space shuttle lift-off	1.2 E 10	1.2 E 2	1.4 E 12
B 747 flight Tokyo-Frankfurt	1.1 E 8	4.0 E 4	4.4 E 12
Energy/day for a supermarket	2.0 E 5	4.3 E 4	8.6 E 9
Daily metabolism of adult	1.0 E 2	8.6 E 4	8.6 E 6
Burning a small candle	3.0 E 0	1.8 E 3	5.4 E 3

E = exponent to basis 10, i.e. E 2 = 10<sup>2</sup> = 100

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Based on Smil, 1991

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## Some Orders of Magnitude (EJ = 10<sup>18</sup> J)

- 5,500,000 EJ Annual solar influx
- 1,000,000 EJ Fossil occurrences
- 50,000 EJ Fossil reserves
- 440 EJ World energy use 2000
- <1 EJ NY city energy use/yr
- 0.000004 EJ B-747 flight  
Tokyo-Frankfurt

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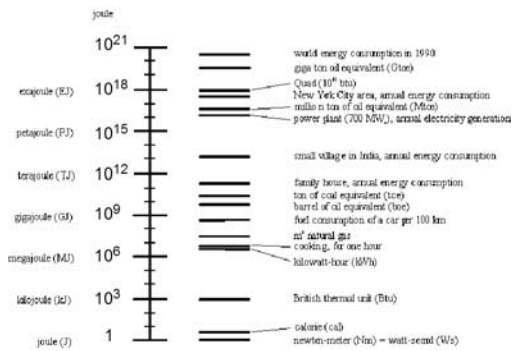
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## Energy Units and Scales

(Source: IPCC Energy Primer)



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## Rough Equivalences

10 Gtoe	=	420 EJ
1 Gtoe	=	42 EJ
1 Quad	=	1 EJ
1 Mtoe	=	42 PJ
1 toe	=	42 GJ
1 boe	=	6 GJ
1 m <sup>3</sup> gas	=	40 MJ
1 kWh	=	4 MJ
1 Btu	=	1 kJ

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## Energy Flow Characteristics

- Physical: chemical, kinetic, electric, radiant, ...
- Processing depth: primary → secondary → final
- Transaction levels: producer → producer  
producer → consumer  
consumer → consumer (future?)
- System boundaries: secondary → final → useful → service

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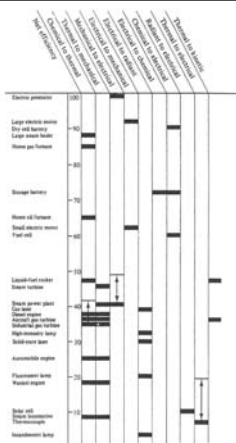
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## Examples of Energy Conversions, Devices and (1st Law) Efficiencies

Source: SciAmer, 1972

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## What means....

- Primary energy: Resources as extracted from nature (crude oil, solar heat)
- Secondary energy: Processed/converted energy (gasoline from crude oil, electricity from coal or hydropower)
- Final energy (as delivered to consumer)
- Useful energy (converted by final appliances (heat from radiator, light from bulb)
- Services = actual demand: comfort, illumination, mobility,... (units ephemeral)

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## System Boundaries

- Energy sector: Primary→ Final (domain of supply bias)
- Energy end-use: Final→Useful (domain of consumer bias)
- Energy Integration (IRM, LC): Primary→Useful/Services
- Full Integration (IA): Whole environment (incl. "externalities")

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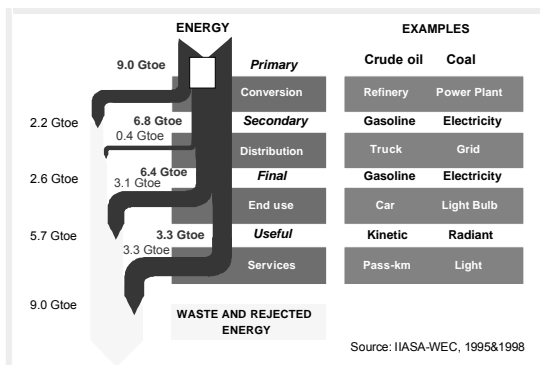
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## Global Energy Flows 1990 (in Gtoe)



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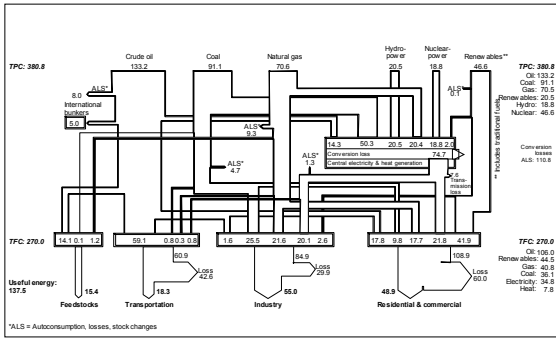
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## Global Energy Flows (EJ in 1990)



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## Laws of Thermodynamics (no policy can escape from)

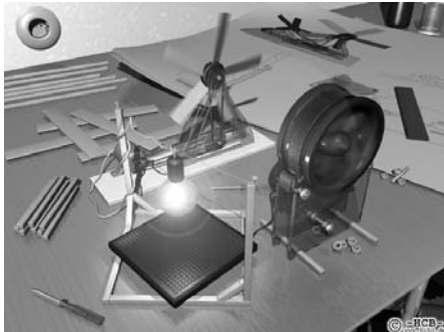
- 1<sup>st</sup> (conservation) Law
- 2<sup>nd</sup> (entropy) Law

*Thermodynamically, no machine (conversion process) operates in a closed system: i.e. energy exchanges with the environment (friction losses, waste heat)*

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## Perpetuum Mobile: Impossible in a Thermodynamically Open System



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## Laws

- 1<sup>st</sup> (conservation) Law: In closed system: energy can neither be created or destroyed  
BUT: Energy devices generally operate in open system (→1<sup>st</sup> Law efficiency)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> (entropy) Law: General movement towards lower form values of energy  
(e.g. electricity→high temp.heat→low temp.heat), or increase in 'disorder' (entropy);  
e.g. candle = flame→light→heat (flame→room)  
MIND: Efficiency depends on adequacy of energy form value for task at hand (→2<sup>nd</sup> Law efficiency)

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## Energy Efficiency 1

1<sup>st</sup> Law efficiency:

Ratio of energy output to input;

Varying systems boundaries:

Conversion (gas furnace): ~100% (gas→heat)

Device (furnace+exhaust)\*: 90%

Final/Useful (furnace→radiator): 60-80%

Total system (house heating): ~5% (→2<sup>nd</sup> Law)

\*Without latent heat from condensation = LHV  
Including latent heat from condensation = HHV

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## Energy Efficiency 2

2<sup>nd</sup> Law efficiency: Minimum amount of exergy required for a particular task / actual exergy spent in completing the task

Exergy = availability (capacity to do *useful* work) = inverse of entropy

Hence: Quality and adequacy matters.

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## Examples for 2<sup>nd</sup> Law Efficiency

$$1 - (T - T_0) / T$$

Home heating: outside temp. = 0 °C

desired indoor = 21 °C

$$= 1 - (273K - 294K) / 273K = 0.077 = 8\%$$

Cont. glass furnace (gas) = 1500 °C

float glass out = 21 °C

$$= 1 - (1773K - 294K) / 1773K = 0.83 = 83\%$$

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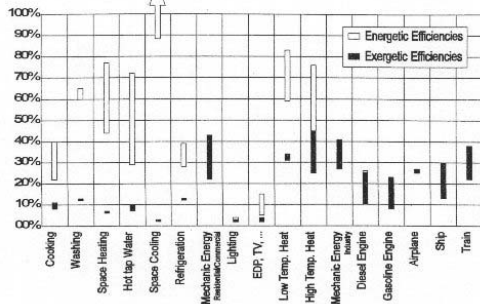
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## First and Second Law Efficiencies of Energy Conversion

Source: Gilli *et al.*, 1995



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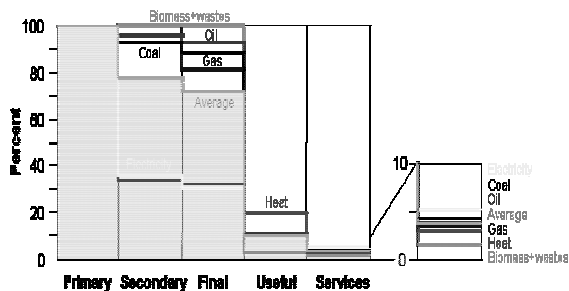
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## WORLD-Exergy Efficiency (as percent of primary exergy)



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## Implications:

### Rules of thumb for engineers and policy makers

- Largest leverage: Extending system's boundary for designs and policies
- Look at exergy rather than energy alone
- Largest possible efficiency gains (x20): End-use and service efficiency, heat cascading (industrial symbiosis)  
BUT:
- Efficiency not all (→valuation)
- Main scope outside energy engineering/policy: Architecture, urban & transport planning, lifestyles,....

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## Energy Systems Constraints: Integration Demand - Supply

- Physical
  - Matching form value
  - Matching spatial scales
  - Matching temporal scales
- Societal: Availability of:
  - Capital
  - Information
  - Incentives
  - Policy attention

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## Energy Constraints

- Spatial mismatch supply-demand:  
World trade in fuels ~630 Billion \$  
(~50% of all primary products exports)
- Temporal mismatch supply-demand  
(load curves): Need for storage &  
interconnection (capital intensive)
- Magnitude mismatch supply-demand:  
Power densities, e.g. renewables vs.  
urban energy use

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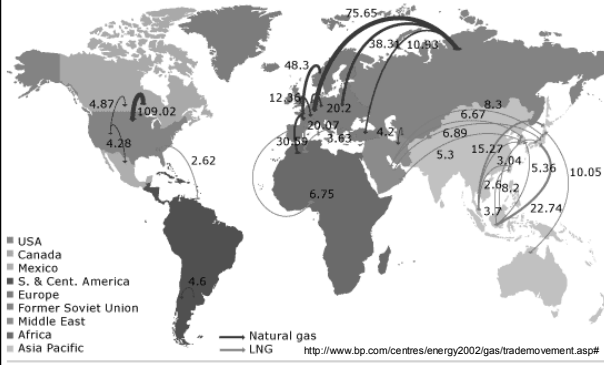
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### map of major gas trade movements

Trade flows worldwide (billion cubic metres)




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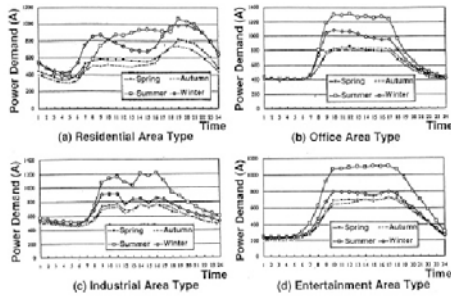
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### Load Curves: Tokyo



Source: Moguro et al., 2002

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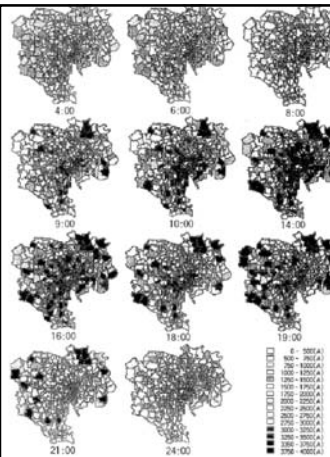
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### Linking Space and Time in Tokyo: Power Density of Demand

Source: Mouguro et al., 2002

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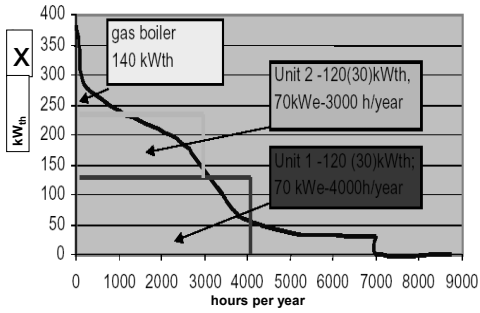
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### Heat Load Curve of a Hotel in Austria Supplied by Cogeneration



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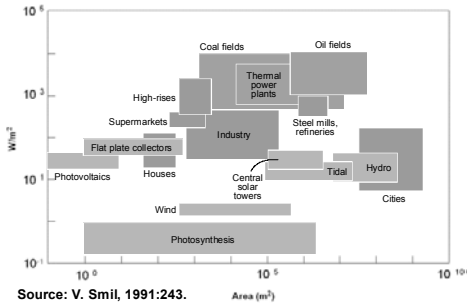
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### Spatial Power Densities of Energy Production and Consumption



Source: V. Smil, 1991:243.

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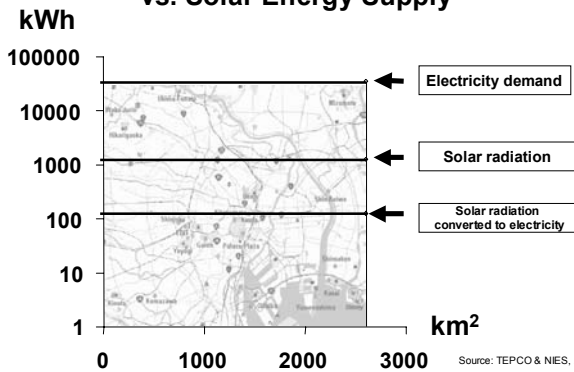
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### Tokyo – Electricity Demand vs. Solar Energy Supply



Source: TEPCO & NIES, 2002

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## Valuation: Multicriteria overall performance

- Efficiency (energy, exergy)
- Productivity (per service rendered, e.g. value added) = Energy Intensity
- Costs (money, time, information)
- Externalities (social, environmental)
- Paramount importance of systems boundaries (“who pays”)

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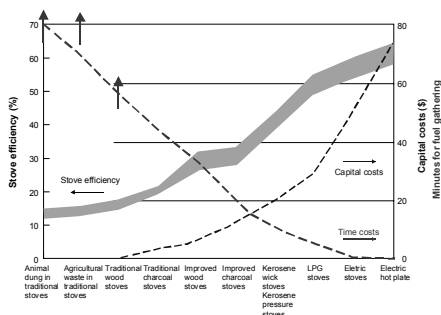
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## Cooking Stoves Energy Efficiency and (Capital and Time) Costs



Source: Adapted from OTA, 1992.

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## Examples of Different Costs of Energy

- Supply costs (producer perspective): \$/gal **to** station
- Consumer purchase costs (incl. taxes, DOE perspective): \$/gal **from** station
- Direct end-use costs (consumer perspective): purchase & maintenance of car + \$/gal
- IRM: producer + consumer costs
- Neglected costs:
  - inconvenience costs: Riding a small, efficient car; heating with gas (\$\$\$), not coal (\$)
  - social externalities (accidents)
  - environmental externalities (pollution)

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## Implications:

Rules of thumb for economists and policy makers

*(very rough orders of magnitude)*

At wellhead:	1 \$/bbl
Before Prod. Gov.:	3 \$/bbl
Upstream (trade):	10 \$/bbl
Before Cons. Gov.:	30 \$/bbl
Consumer:	>100 \$/bbl
Total energy:	>300 \$/bbl
Society:	>1000 \$/bbl
Total system:	>3000 \$/bbl

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