

# What is Energy?

Revisions & Definitions

# Revisions

**Energy:** “is the capacity to do work”  
“ is the ability to apply a force  
through a distance”

***Fuel:*** Different types .....

**Common forms:**

**Thermal energy or heat**

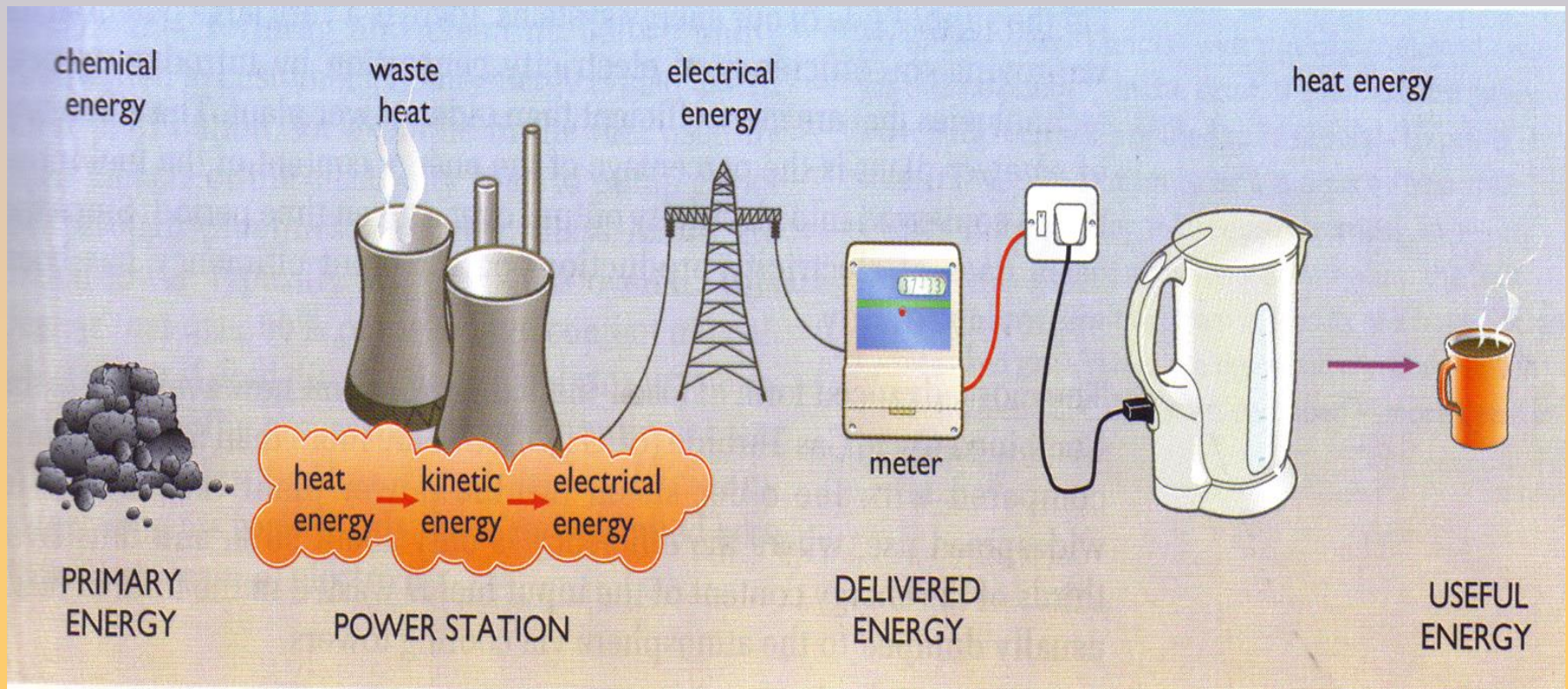
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**Potential energy**

**Chemical energy**

# Energy in statistics

- **Primary energy**
- **Delivered energy**
- **Useful or End use energy**



# Work

Work can be represented by the following equation:

$$w = F x$$

where

$W$  is the mechanical work, J

$F$  is the applied force on a body, N

and  $x$  is the moving distance of the body, m

# Newton's Second Law of Motion

Force = rate of change of momentum

$$F = \frac{d}{dt} (\text{mass} \times \text{velocity})$$

$$F = \frac{d}{dt} \left( m \frac{dx}{dt} \right)$$

$$F = m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}$$

$\therefore$  force is the product of mass and acceleration

# Definitions

- **Power**: the rate of work,  $w$  (J/s)
- **Kinetic energy**:  $\frac{1}{2} mu^2$
- **Potential energy**:  $mgz$
- **Chemical energy**: the energy stored in a substance due to the chemical composition. This form is released by combustion.
- **Internal energy**: the intrinsic energy of a body or a fluid at rest. It is measured by certain measurable properties such as temperature or pressure.

- **Thermal energy or heat**. energy in transition. There are 3 modes of heat; conduction, convection, radiation. Engineering applications involve a combination of all three modes of heat transfer.
- **Note**: work and heat are treated as energy in transition. They are not contained or possessed by the body. Work is an organized form of energy whilst heat is a disorganized form of energy.

# Mass-Energy dependence

- Energy conservation law means that energy must be conserved in any process.
- Nuclear energy, electricity, magnetism, sound and light are all examples of different forms of energy. Mass is also a form of energy.
- Mass conservation means that mass can be neither created or destroyed.
- The following relation correlates mass and energy:

$$E = mc^2$$



- ***Where***

E: energy released, J

m: mass converted into energy, kg

c: velocity of light,  $3 \times 10^8$  m/s

- **Example:**

# Suppose 600,000 kW power plant.

# According to the previous equation, the mass which is completely annihilated is about 640 g.

# If we run the plant on coal, it will consume 220 tons of coal per hour or 2,000,000 tons of coal per year.

# If we run the unit on uranium, it will consume one ton of uranium per year.

# Types of energy

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graph TD; A[Types of energy] --> B[Transitional]; A --> C[Stored];
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Transitional

Stored

# Energy Classification

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graph TD; A[Energy Classification] --- B[Mechanical energy]; A --- C[Electrical energy]; A --- D[Electromagnetic energy]; A --- E[Chemical energy]; A --- F[Nuclear energy]; A --- G[Thermal energy];
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**Mechanical energy**

**Electrical energy**

**Electromagnetic energy**

**Chemical energy**

**Nuclear energy**

**Thermal energy**

# Mechanical Energy

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graph TD; ME[Mechanical Energy] --> SPE[Stored Potential energy]; ME --> T[Transitional]; SPE --> EW[Elevated weights]; SPE --> F[flywheels]; SPE --> CG[Compressed gas]; SPE --> STB[Spring and Torsion bar]; SPE --> MAB[Magnetic attraction Of iron bodies]; T --> W[Work]
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**Stored  
Potential energy**

**Elevated weights**

**flywheels**

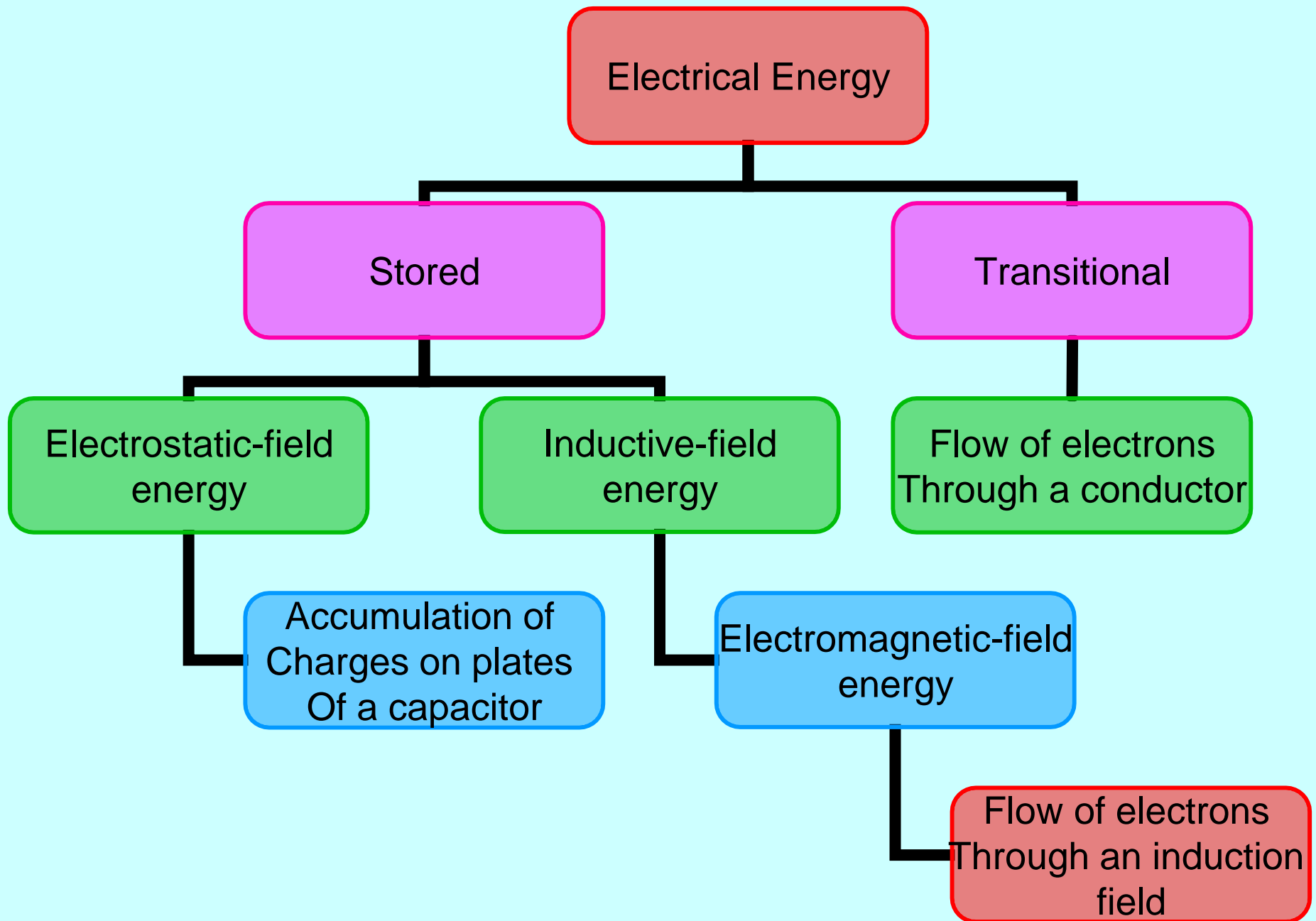
**Compressed  
gas**

**Spring and  
Torsion bar**

**Magnetic attraction  
Of iron bodies**

**Transitional**

**Work**



# Devices & Energy types

Energy Conversion Device	Energy Input	Useful Energy Output
Electric heater	Electricity	Thermal energy
Hair drier	Electricity	Thermal energy
Electric generator	Mechanical energy	Electricity
Electric motor	Electricity	Mechanical energy
Battery	Chemical energy	Electricity
Steam boiler	Chemical energy	Thermal energy
Furnace	Chemical energy	Thermal energy
Steam turbine	Thermal energy	Mechanical energy
Gas turbine	Chemical energy	Mechanical energy
Automobile engine	Chemical energy	Mechanical energy
Fluorescent lamp	Electricity	Light
Silicon solar cell	Solar energy	Electricity
Steam locomotive	Chemical	Mechanical
Incandescent lamp	Electricity	Light

# First Law of thermodynamics

- Commonly, this law is derived from energy balance equation.
- For any enclosed system, ignoring potential and kinetic energies of the system, the change of internal energy,  $\Delta E$ , of the system is equal to the net amount of heat transferred to the system,  $Q$ , minus the net external work done by the system,  $W$ . Or

$$Q - W = \Delta E = E_2 - E_1$$

# Efficiency

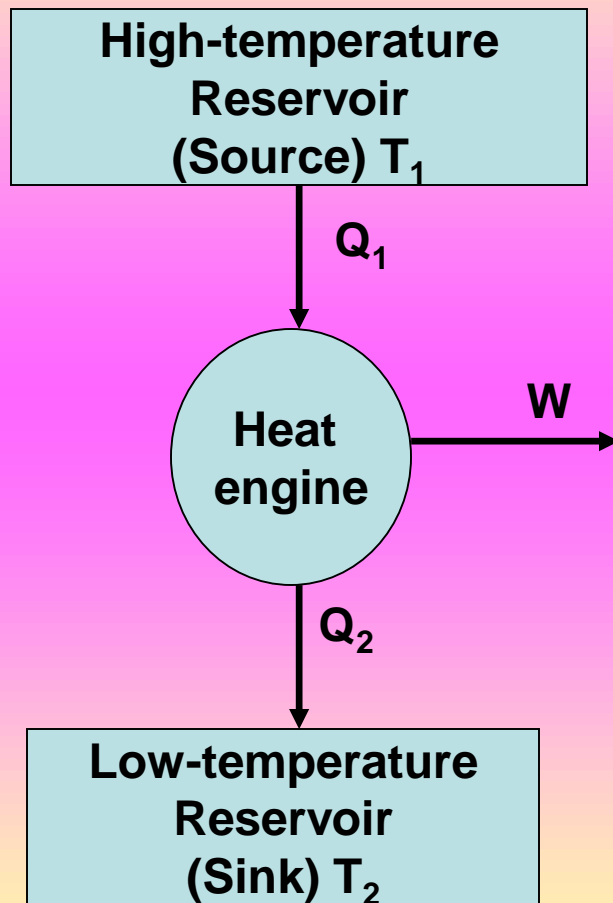
- For any energy conversion system, the efficiency is defined as

$$\eta = \frac{W}{E} \times 100\%$$

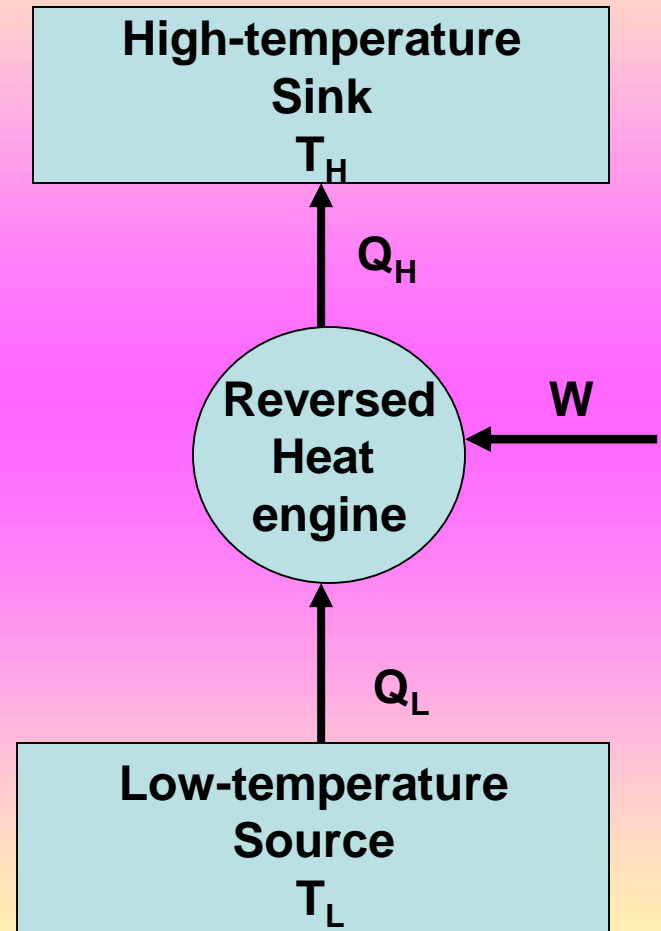
- Where  $W$  is the desired energy or work given by the system and  $E$  is the net energy input.
- This equation is known as “the first law efficiency”



# Second Law of thermodynamics



*Ideal heat engine*



*Ideal heat pump or refrigerator*

# The efficiency of the cycle

The efficiency of the cycle,  $\eta$  is

$$\eta = \frac{W}{Q_1}$$

Since cyclic process,  $W = Q_1 - Q_2$

$$\therefore \eta = \frac{Q_1 - Q_2}{Q_1} \text{ or } 1 - \frac{Q_2}{Q_1}$$

If the absolute temperatures are used instead of heats, then

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1}$$

This is called the ideal cycle or "Carnot efficiency"

# Coefficient of performance “COP”

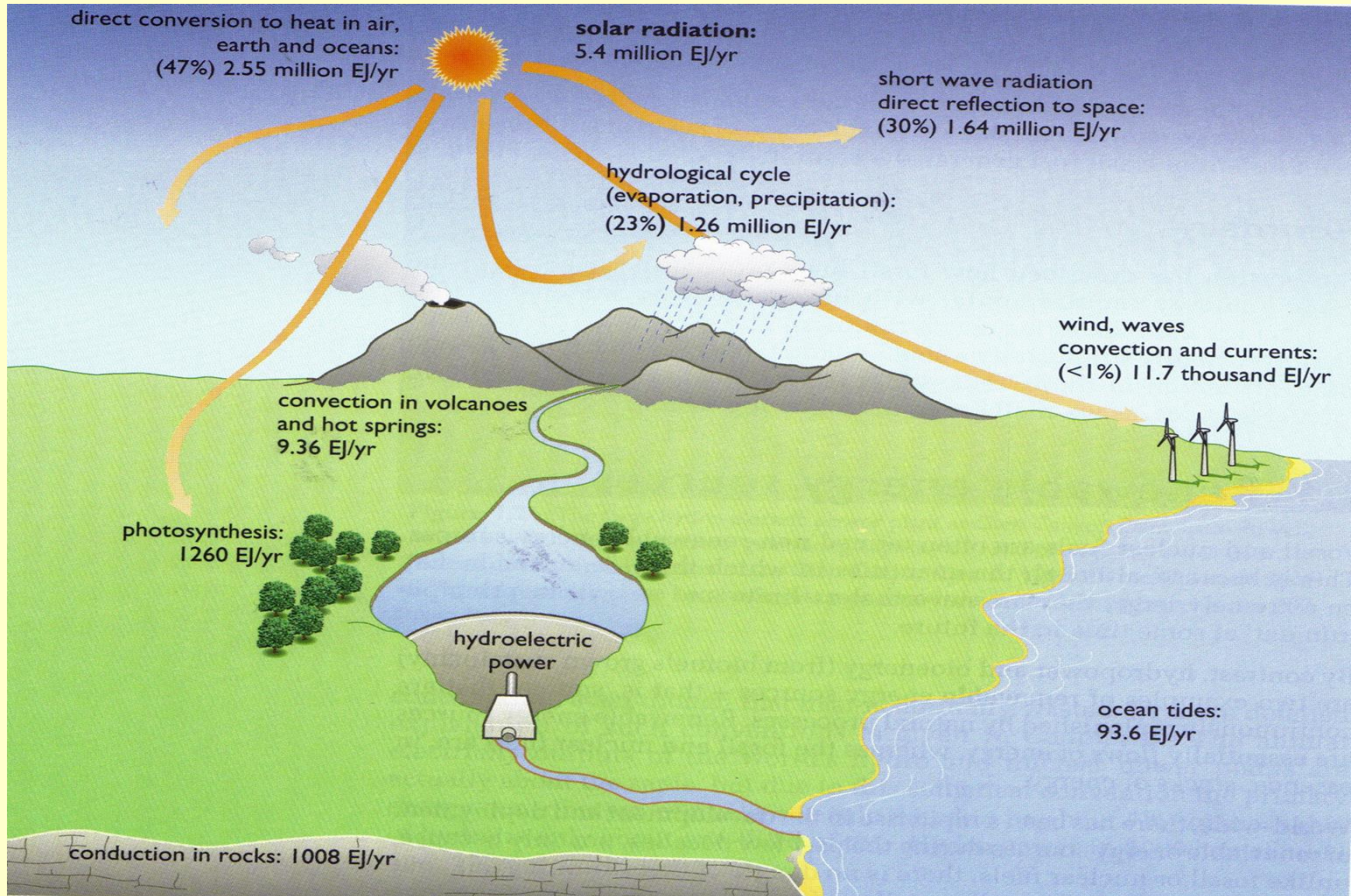
- For the reversed heat engine, see previous figure, the heat transferred to the high temperature sink,  $Q_H$  is

$$Q_H = W + Q_L$$

- In this equation, the system works as an ideal heat pump. The amount of  $Q_H$  is greater than  $W$ .

- The ratio  $Q_H/W$  is called the coefficient of performance (COP) or performance ratio of the heat pump.
- The system can also be assumed to be a refrigerator, but the COP is  $Q_L/W$ , as the heat removed at lower temperature is of great importance.

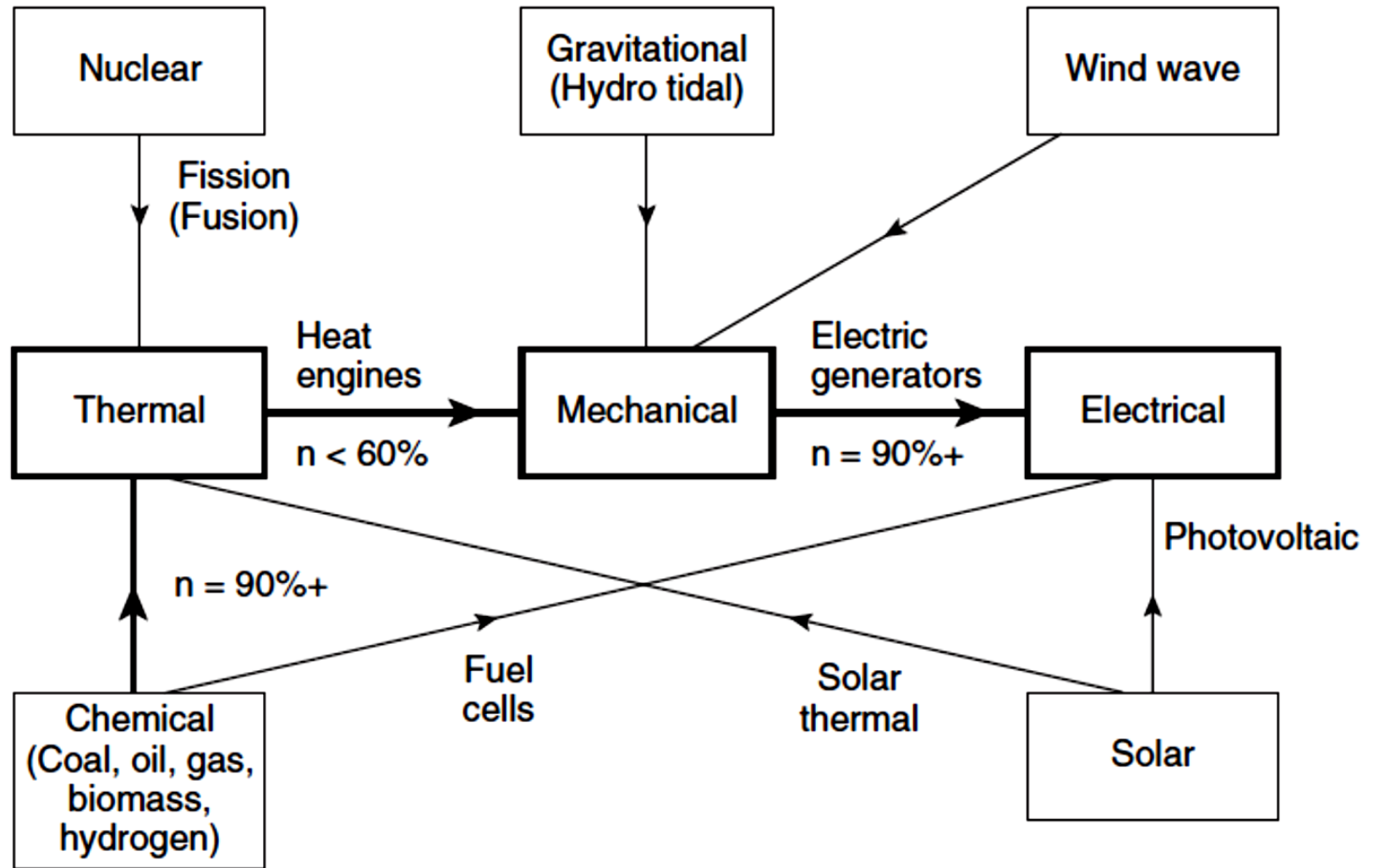
# Solar energy and Earth's energy flow





# Planetary energy balance

Solar radiation 173,000 TW	{		Direct reflection	52,000 TW (30%)	}	Short-wave radiation
	{		Direct conversion to heat	78,000 TW (45%)		
	{		Evaporation of water	39,000 TW (22%)		
	{		Wind & waves	3,600 TW (2%)		
	{		Photosynthesis	40 TW	}	Long-wave radiation
	{		Tides	3 TW		
	Geothermal	{	Volcanos & hot springs	0.3 TW		
		{	Rock conduction	32 TW		



Conversion from a variety of energy forms into electricity



# Fuel-Energy Equivalents

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Units and definitions



One barrel(42 gal) of oil = 460 lb<sub>m</sub> of coal  
= 5680 scf of natural gas  
= 612 kWh of electricity \*

One short ton of coal = 4345 bbl of crude oil  
= 24,682 scf of natural gas  
= 2260 kWh of electricity \*

1000 scf of natural gas = 0.176 bbl of crude oil  
= 81.0 lb<sub>m</sub> of coal  
= 189 kWh of electricity \*

\* assumes a conversion efficiency of 36 %



# Abbreviations in SI units

Kilo	K	$10^3$
Mega	M	$10^6$
Giga	G	$10^9$
Tera	T	$10^{12}$
milli	m	$10^{-3}$
micro	$\mu$	$10^{-6}$
Nano	n	$10^{-9}$
pico	p	$10^{-12}$

# Units

## Mass

$$\begin{aligned} 1\text{kg} &= 0.001\text{metric ton} = 0.001\text{ tonne} \\ &= 2.205\text{ pounds mass} = 2.205\text{ lb}_m \\ &= 0.001102\text{ short ton} = 0.001102\text{ ton} \end{aligned}$$

## Heat

$$\begin{aligned} 1\text{ therm} &= 10^5\text{ Btu} = 29.3\text{kWh} \\ &= 1.05506 \times 10^8\text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$1\text{ kWh} = 3.6 \times 10^6\text{ J}$$

# Coal

1 million tonnes is equivalent to 0.6 million tonnes of oil or 250 million therm ( $2.5 \times 10^{13}$  Btu) or 7.35 TWh electric energy or 2 TWh electricity generated or  $2.637 \times 10^{16}$  J.


Note: m.t.c.e.  $\equiv$  million tonnes of coal equivalent

# Oil

1 million tonnes is equivalent to 1.7 million tonnes of coal or 425 million therms ( $4.25 \times 10^{13}$  Btu) or 12.5 TWh electrical energy or 3.6 Twh electricity generated, or  $4.484 \times 10^{16}$ J.

Note: m.t.o.e.  $\equiv$  million tonnes of oil equivalent

# Natural Gas



1 million cubic feet is equivalent to 40 tonnes of coal or 10 thousand therms. A common unit is trillion cubic feet (Tcf) which is  $10^{12}$  cubic feet, and equivalent to 40 million tonnes of coal ( $1.05 \times 10^{18}$  J).

Note: 1 cubic foot is equivalent of 1000 Btu or  $1.05 \times 10^6$  J. This gives 1 cubic meter as the equivalent of  $3.71 \times 10^7$  J.



# Work and Power

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- $1\text{W} = 3.413 \text{ Btu/h} = 1 \text{ J/s}$
- $1 \text{ kWh} = 3413 \text{ Btu/h}$
- $1 \text{ hp} = 550 \text{ ft lb/s} = 33,000 \text{ ft lb/min}$
- $1 \text{ therm} = 100,000 \text{ Btu}$   
 $= 25,000 \text{ kcal}$