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ENVS 119 - Energy & the Environment

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Energy Definition, Laws of Thermodynamics

Energy: “The capacity to do work” or “Energy allows us to make things get hotter, move faster, go uphill...”

1st Law of Thermodynamics: Energy is neither created or destroyed, it moves or changes form when stored, converted, or used.

2nd Law of Thermodynamics: Every time we do something with energy there is always some loss in energy quality or higher entropy.



What are the different forms of energy?

- Electro-magnetic/solar (*r*): magnets, light...
- Chemical (*c*): Gasoline, coal, natural gas, wood...
- Thermal (*t*): Warm elements can transfer heat to something else
- Kinetic/Mechanical (*m*): An object in motion can transfer its energy
- Electric (*e*): Electricity (electrons moving among molecules).
- Nuclear: Extremely powerful forces that hold a nucleus together.
- Gravitational: Gravity, pressure,...

The ratio between energy input and useful output is
the efficiency of the system.

Example of Energy Conversions & Efficiencies

Conversions	Energies	Efficiencies			
Large electricity generators	M → e	98–99	Diesel engines	c → m	30–35
Large power-plant boilers	c → t	90–98	Mammalian postnatal growth	c → c	30–35
Large electric motors	e → m	90–97	Best photovoltaic cells	r → e	20–30
Best home natural-gas furnaces	c → t	90–96	Best large steam engines	c → m	20–25
Dry-cell batteries	c → e	85–95	Internal combustion engines	c → m	15–25
Human lactation	c → c	85–95	High-pressure sodium lamps	e → r	15–20
Overshot waterwheels	m → m	60–85	Mammalian muscles	c → m	15–20
Small electric motors	e → m	60–75	Traditional stoves	c → t	10–15
Large steam turbines	t → m	40–45	Fluorescent lights	e → r	10–12
Improved wood stoves	c → t	25–45	Steam locomotives	c → m	3–6
Large gas turbines	c → m	35–40	Peak crop photosynthesis	r → c	4–5
Diesel engines	c → m	30–35	Incandescent light bulbs	e → r	2–5
Mammalian postnatal growth	c → c	30–35	Paraffin candles	c → r	1–2
Best photovoltaic cells	r → e	20–30	Most productive ecosystems	r → c	1–2
			Global photosynthetic mean	r → c	0.3

Energy labels: c—chemical, e—electrical, m—mechanical (kinetic), r—radiant (electromagnetic, solar), t—thermal

Energy Units are Form Dependent

Source	Energy content	Quantity
Natural gas	Therms/Btu/Joules	Cf/Ft ³
Petroleum	Joules/ Btu	Gallons/Quads
Coal	Joules/Btu	Tons
Electricity	Wh/Btu/Joules	?

Power v. Energy unit

- **Power:** (constant) rate flow of energy
- **Energy unit:** How much power is used over a define amount of time

Power	Energy Units
Watt (w) Always ON	Watt hour (wh)
kW	kWh
Horse power (hp)	0.7068 Btu/s

Energy Calculation Principles

• From the MIT Units and Conversion Fact Sheet:

$$1 \text{ kWh} = 3,412 \text{ Btu} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1 \text{ kWh}}{3,412 \text{ Btu}} = \frac{3,412 \text{ Btu}}{1 \text{ kWh}} = 1$$

• Convert 100 kWh in Btu?

$$100 \text{ kWh} \times \frac{3,412 \text{ Btu}}{1 \text{ kWh}} = 341,200 \text{ Btu}$$

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Units & Conversions Fact Sheet

Prefixes	Mass	Distance	Volume
Metric	1 kg = 2.205 lb	1 cm = 0.4 in	1 L = 0.264 gal = 1000 cm ³ (ml)
micro (μ)	1 μ = 453.6 g = 16oz	1 m = 3.281 ft = 1.094 yd	1 m ³ = 1000 L = 35.3 ft ³ = 264 gal
milli (m)	1 metric tonne = 1,000kg = 2,205lb	1 km = 0.62137 mi = 1999 yd	1 gal = 3.785 L = 4 qt = 16 c = 128 oz
micro (μ)	1 US short ton = 907kg = 2,000lb	1 mi = 1.609km	1 ft ³ = 28.32 L = 7.48 gal
deca (da)	1 UK long ton = 1,016kg = 2,239lb	1 smoot = 1.702 m = 5.83 ft	1 bbl = 42 US gal = 159 L = 5.6 ft ³
kilo (k)			1 cord = 128 ft ³ = 3.62 m ³
mega (M)			1 ac-ft = 43,560 ft ³ = 325,851 gal
giga (G)			1 km ³ = 0.264 m ³ = 10 ⁹ m ³
tera (T)			1 ha = 10 ⁴ m ² = 0.1 km ² = 2.47 ac
tera (T)			1 m ² = 2.6 km ² = 640 ac
tera (T)			1 ac = 4,047 m ² = 43,560 ft ²
tera (T)			
Time	Temperature	Area	Flow Rates
3,600 sec/hour	°F = 1.8 • °C + 32	1 m ² = 10.765 ft ²	1 mbd = 1 Mbd/day = 15.34 Ggal/y
730 hour/month	°K = (°F - 32) • 5/9 + 273.15	1 ha = 10 ⁴ m ² = 0.1 km ² = 2.47 ac	1 ac-ft = 43,560 ft ³ = 325,851 gal
365.25 day/year		1 m ² = 2.6 km ² = 640 ac	1 ac-ft = 43,560 ft ³ = 325,851 gal
31,536,000 sec/year		1 ac = 4,047 m ² = 43,560 ft ²	1 bbl = 42 US gal = 159 L = 5.6 ft ³
			1 gpm = 0.063 L/s = 0.00442 ac-ft/day
Fuel Economy	Pressure	Density	Power Unit Conversion
1 mpg = 0.4251 km/L	1 MPa = 10 bar = 9.87 atm = 145 psi	Water = 1 g/cm ³ = 1 g/ml = 1 kg/L = 1 metric tonne/m ³	1 W = 1 J/s = 3.6 kJ/hour = 3.15 MJ/year
1 mpg = 235.2 L/100 km	1 atm = 1.0132 bar = 760 mmHg = 14.7 psi	Air at Sea Level = 1.2 kg/m ³	1 kW = 1.341 hp = 738 ft-lb/s
		Crude Oil = 0.88 (0.75-0.98) kg/L = 7.34 lb/gal = 140 kg/bbl	1 hp = 745.7 W = 0.7098 Btu/s
		Gasoline = 0.745 kg/L = 6.22 lb/gal	1 TW = 10 ¹² W = 3.15 EJ/year
		Diesel = 0.837 kg/L = 7.00 lb/gal	1 ton-refrigeration = 12,000 Btu/hr = 200 Btu/min = 3.517 kW
		Ethanol = 0.789 kg/L = 6.58 lb/gal	
		Methanol = 0.792 kg/L = 6.61 lb/gal	
		Nat. Gas = 0.717 kg/m ³ = 44.8 lb/mcf	
		CNG @ 20MPa = 0.185 kg/L = 11.5 lb/ft ³ = 5.66 lb/gge	
		LPG (propane) = 0.540 kg/L = 33.7 lb/ft ³	
		Hydrogen = 0.025 kg/L (35MPa); 0.0898 kg/m ³ (STP)	
		Coal = 1.32 kg/L = 120 metric ton/ha = 1800 dth/ton-acre-foot	
		API Gravity = (141.5 / Density in g/cm ³ at 60 °F) - 131.5	
		Light Crude API > 31.1; Heavy API < 22.3; Bitumen API = 8°	
Energy Content (Lower Heating Values) (ton = metric tonne)	Energy of Familiar Phenomena/Society	Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂) Emission Factors	Global Warming Potential (GWP) (t = 100yr)
Crude Oil = 6.119 GJ/bbl = 5.8 mmBtu/bbl = 39.7 mmBtu/ton	Quart of Boiling Water = 3 MJ	Note: 44/12 or 3.667 ton CO ₂ emissions per ton C emissions	CO ₂ = 1 CH ₄ = 23 N ₂ O = 296 SF ₆ = 22,200
Gasoline = 121.3 MJ/gal = 32.1 MJ/L = 43.1 MJ/kg = 115 mBtu/gal	Melt 1 lb ice = 151 kJ = 143 Btu	Natural Gas = 121 lb/mcf = 117.1 lb/mmBtu = 60.3 kg/GJ	HFCs = 12-12,000 PFCs = 5,700-11,900
Diesel = 135.5 MJ/gal = 35.8 MJ/L = 42.8 MJ/kg = 128 mBtu/gal	1 QWw Plant running 24 hrs = 260 TJ	Gasoline = 19.56 lb/gal = 156.4 lb/mmBtu = 67.2 kg/GJ	
Biodiesel = 124.8 MJ/gal = 33.0 MJ/L = 37.5 MJ/kg = 121 mBtu/gal	Daily Human Metabolism = 2500 Kcal/day = 120 W	Diesel = 22.38 lb/gal = 161.4 lb/mmBtu = 69.4 kg/GJ	
Ethanol = 80.2 MJ/gal = 21.2 MJ/L = 26.9 MJ/kg = 76 mBtu/gal	Compact Passenger Car at steady 60 mph:	Bit. Coal = 4,931 lb/short ton = 205.3 lb/mmBtu = 88.3 kg/GJ	
Methanol = 60.4 MJ/gal = 15.9 MJ/L = 20.1 MJ/kg = 57 mBtu/gal	Chem. Energy Consumption = 70 kW = 94 hp	Petrol Coke = 32.40 lb/gal = 225.1 lb/mmBtu = 96.8 kg/GJ	
UN Standard Coal = 30 GJ/ton	Mech. Energy Production = 15 kW = 20 hp	Electric US Av = 1.34 kWh = 0.608 tonMWh = 168.8 kg/GJ	
Sub-Bitum. = 20.26 GJ/ton (MJ/kg) = 19.24 mmBtu/ton	Chem. Energy Production = 15 kW = 20 hp	Coal-fired Elec = 2.095 kWh = 65 kg/MWh = 260 kg C/MWh	
Lignite = 10.19 GJ/ton (MJ/kg) = 9.18 mmBtu/ton	'05 US Oil Use = 20.55 Mbd = 7.506 Gbbl/y = 238 bbl/sec		
Nat Gas @ STP = 53.2 MJ/kg = 38.2 MJ/m ³ = 1027 Btu/ft ³	'05 Global Oil Use = 84.37 Mbd = 31.89 Gbbl/y = 976.5 bbl/sec		
CNG @ 20 MPa = 50.0 MJ/kg = 9.3 MJ/L = 249.6 mBtu/ft ³	'05 US Primary Energy Use = 3.35 TW = 105 EJ/y = 100 quad/y		
H ₂ @ 35 MPa (HHV) = 120.0 MJ/kg = 2.7 MJ/L = 72.5 mBtu/ft ³	'05 Global = 16 TW = 504 EJ/y = 480 quad/y		
LPG @ 1.5 MPa = 88.1 MJ/kg = 23.3 MJ/L = 625.5 mBtu/ft ³	Solar Influx at Earth Surface = 100 PW = 3.1 YJ/y = 200 W/m ²		
Air-Dried Wood20% Moisture Content = 15 GJ/ton			
Uranium = 80 GJ/kg fissioned = 400 GJ/kg mined (10% = 5% min)			
Energy of Familiar Phenomena/Society			
Quart of Boiling Water = 3 MJ			
Melt 1 lb ice = 151 kJ = 143 Btu			
1 QWw Plant running 24 hrs = 260 TJ			
Daily Human Metabolism = 2500 Kcal/day = 120 W			
Compact Passenger Car at steady 60 mph:			
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Example (power v. Electricity unit)

Satellite box power is 16W (Off) and 17W (On)
Flat screen TV is 5W (Off) and 68 W (On)


1. Calculate the electricity used in Wh if TV is used 4 hours a day during 1 month (31 days). What fraction of the total electricity used is really useful when TV is On?
2. If electricity is sold \$0.17 kWh by PG&E what is the cost per month of the system in standby (20 hours Off)?

SOLUTION BOX 4.11

That Satellite TV System

A typical satellite TV system consumes 16 watts while turned off and 17 watts when it is in use. Similarly, a typical 20-inch TV consumes 5 watts while off and 68 watts when on.

Suppose you watch TV 4 hours per day, 30 days per month. What fraction of your electricity is used while the TV is turned off?



16 W off, 17 W on 5 W off, 68 W on

Group Work or Exercise

- Back to class
(10 minutes before end of class time)
- Start with TV ON (68W) for 4 hours/day in 31 days period (1 month)

$$\cancel{68\text{ W}} \times \frac{1\text{ kW}}{\cancel{1,000\text{ W}}} \times \frac{4\text{ h}}{\cancel{1\text{ day}}} \times \frac{\cancel{31\text{ days}}}{1\text{ month}} = \underline{\text{kWh in 1 month}}$$

- Add: TV OFF (5W) for 20 hours/day in 1 month
- Add: Sat. Box OFF (16W) for 20 hours/day in 1 month
- Add: Sat. Box ON (17W) for 4 hours/day in 1 month

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