Energy Flow Diagrams

There are many types of process which transfer energy

 The transfer of energy can be shown by a flow diagram (also called a Sankey diagram).

Wasted
Energy

Total
Useful
Energy In
Out

- Efficiency is a measure of how well a device transfers energy into the form we want
- efficiency (%) = (useful energy out ÷ total energy in)
 x 100 or
- efficiency (%) = (useful power out ÷ total power in)x 100
- Efficiency is not the same as cost-effectiveness.
- When energy is transferred, some of the energy turns into forms we don't want. This energy is called wasted energy

 Wasted energy takes the form of heat and sometimes sound or light. During any energy transfer, some energy is changed into heat.

- The heat becomes spread out into the environment
- This dispersed or dissipated energy becomes increasingly difficult to use in future energy transfers.
 In the end, all energy is transferred into heat.
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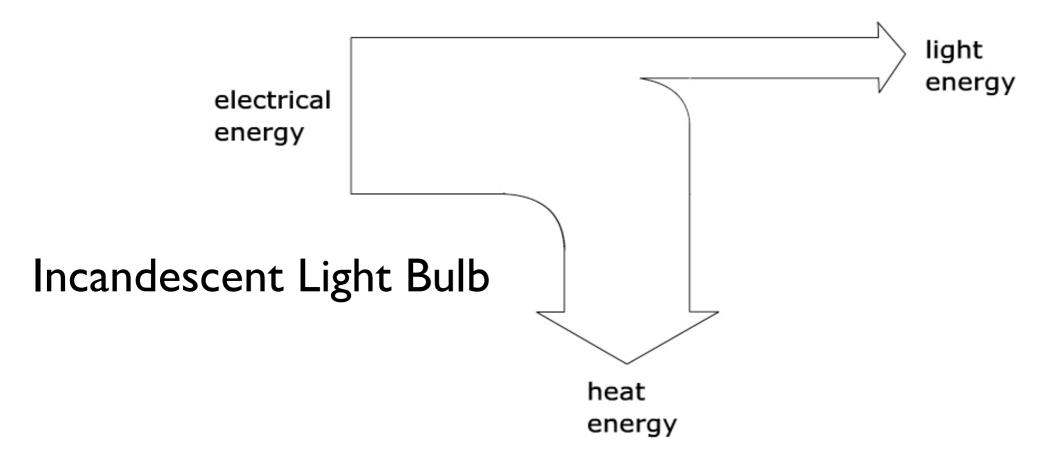
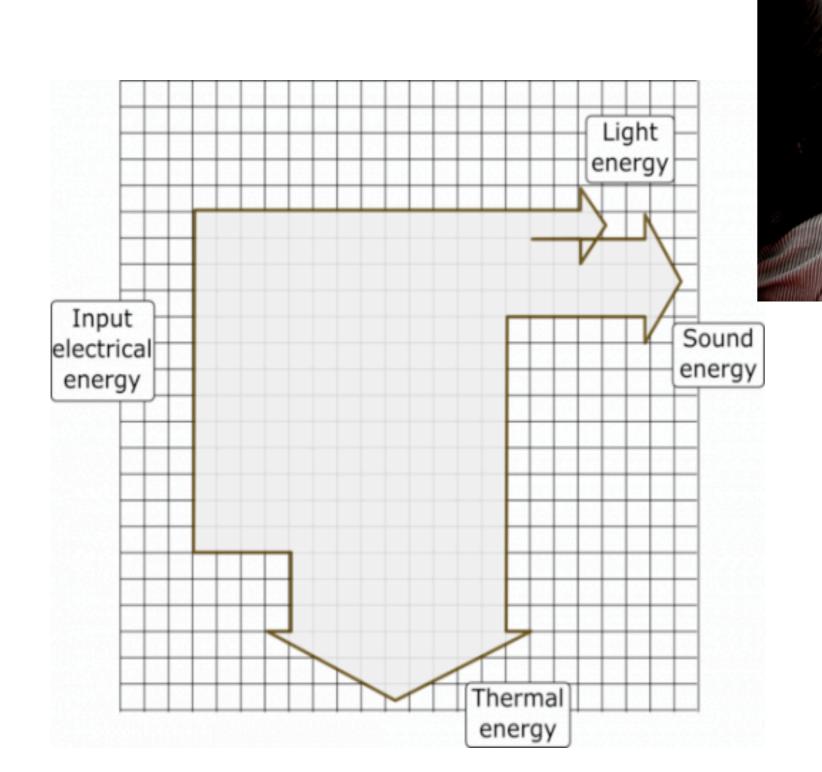


Diagram a cartoon providing a Sankey Diagram with a picture. Describe how this supports the LOCOE



Ipad

filament bulb



✓ show efficiency calculation

efficiency (%) =
$$\frac{\text{useful energy output}}{\text{total energy input}} \times 100 = \frac{9}{100} \times 100 = 9 \%$$

Sometimes light bulbs are used to light and heat the environment (e.g. in a reptile house or vivarium). In this situation the efficiency would be virtually 100 %.