

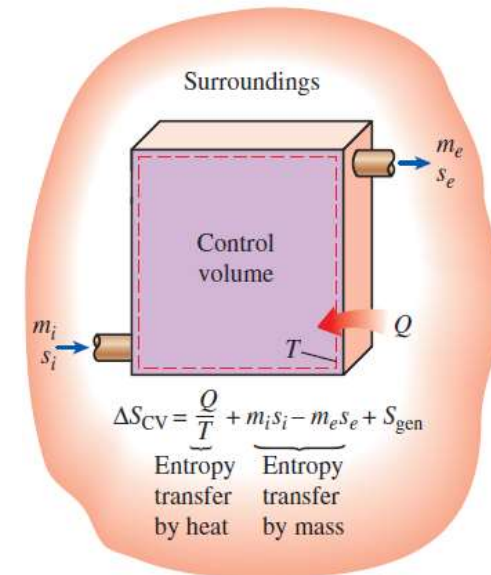
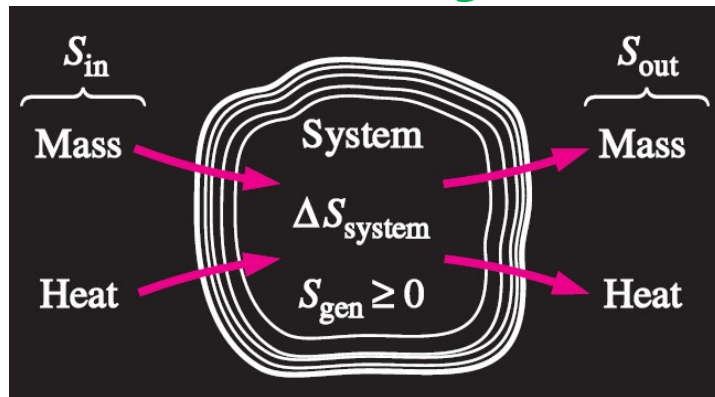
Exergy, Reversible Work & Irreversibility

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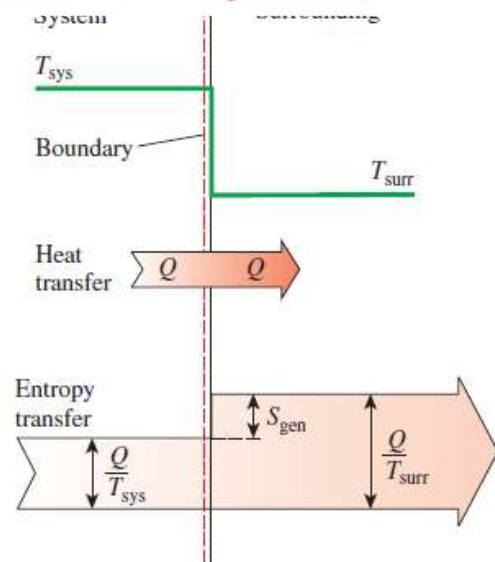
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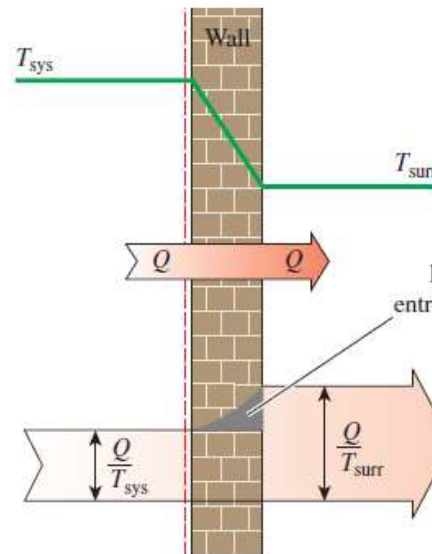
Previously: Entropy generation & Balance



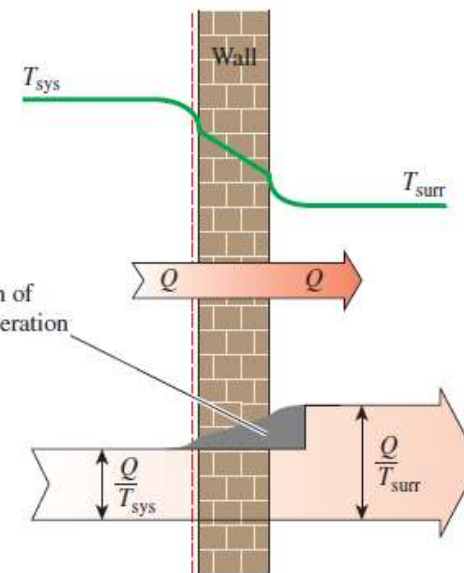
$$\underbrace{S_{in} - S_{out}}_{\text{Net entropy transfer by heat and mass}} + \underbrace{S_{gen}}_{\text{Entropy generation}} = \underbrace{\Delta S_{system}}_{\text{Change in entropy}} \quad (\text{kJ/K})$$



(a) The wall is ignored



(b) The wall is considered



(c) The wall as well as the variations of temperature in the system and the surroundings are considered

Fig-TD: Cengel & Boles

Exergy Analysis: Overall objective

- How to utilize energy resources towards a specific *engineering* objective?
- Dead state: No exergy/Availability/Available energy
- Exergy provides bound on work a device deliver within thermodynamic constrains

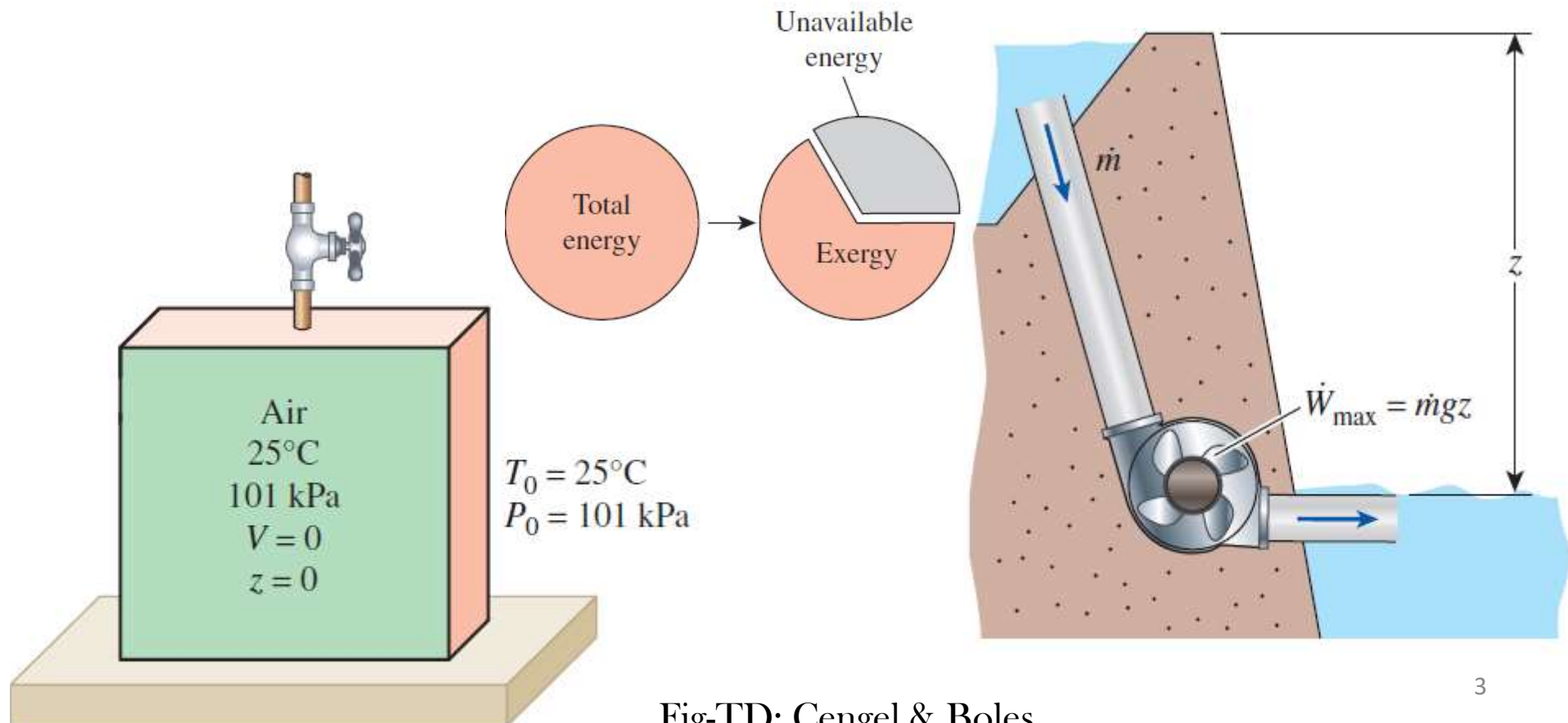
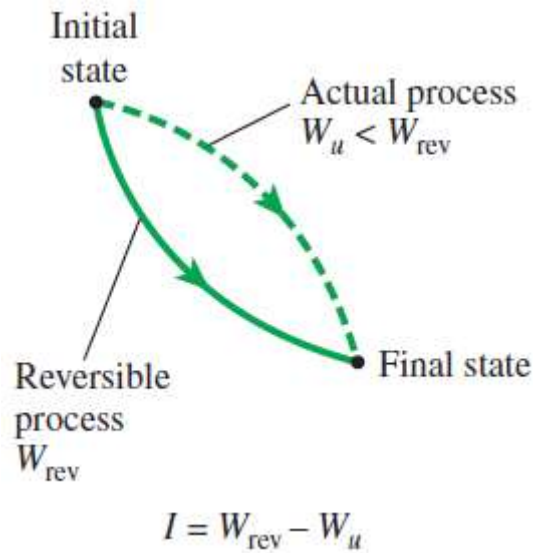


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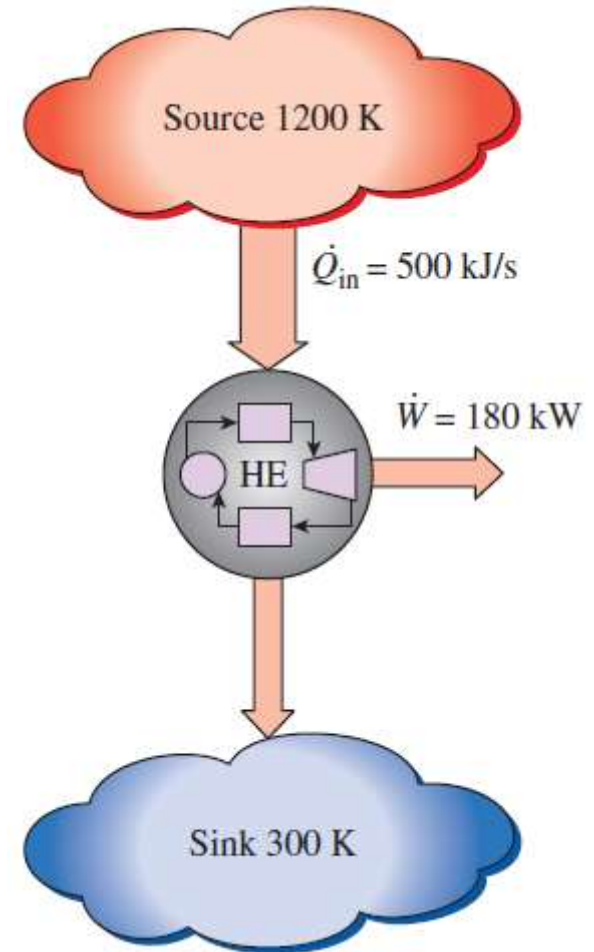
Reversible work & irreversibility



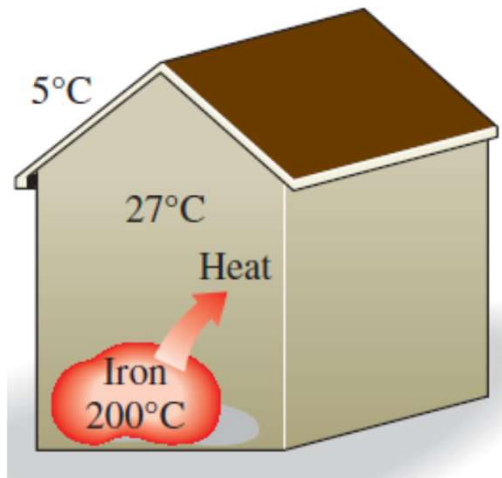
$$\dot{W}_{rev,out} = \eta_{th,rev} \dot{Q}_{in} = \left(1 - \frac{T_{sink}}{T_{source}}\right) \dot{Q}_{in}$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{300 \text{ K}}{1200 \text{ K}}\right) (500 \text{ kW}) = \mathbf{375 \text{ kW}}$$

$$\dot{i} = \dot{W}_{rev,out} - \dot{W}_{u,out} = 375 - 180 = \mathbf{195 \text{ kW}}$$



What is the best way to utilize heat?



- Work obtained can be utilized for running a heat pump to transfer heat from ambient@5°C to the room
- Engineering objective: Heating the room

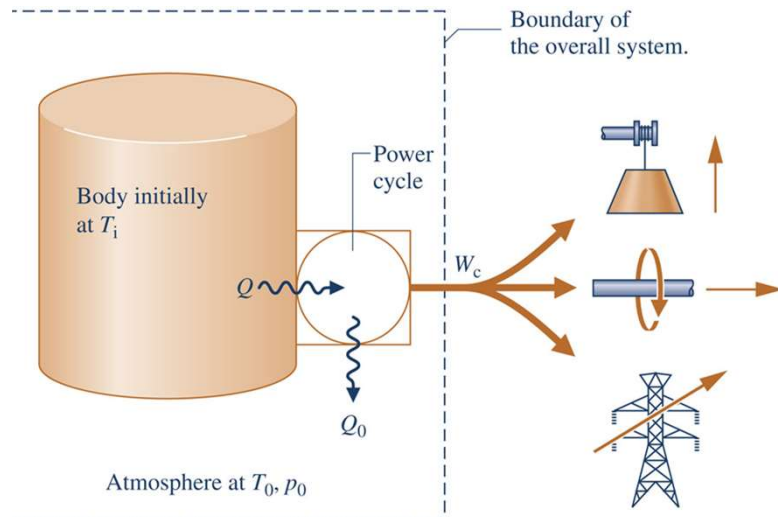
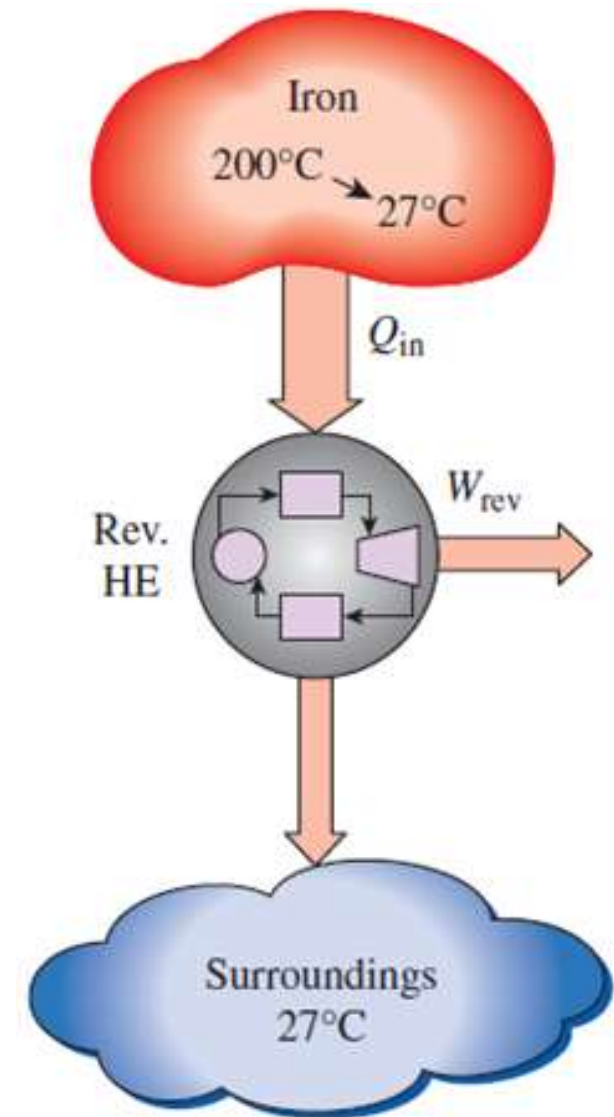
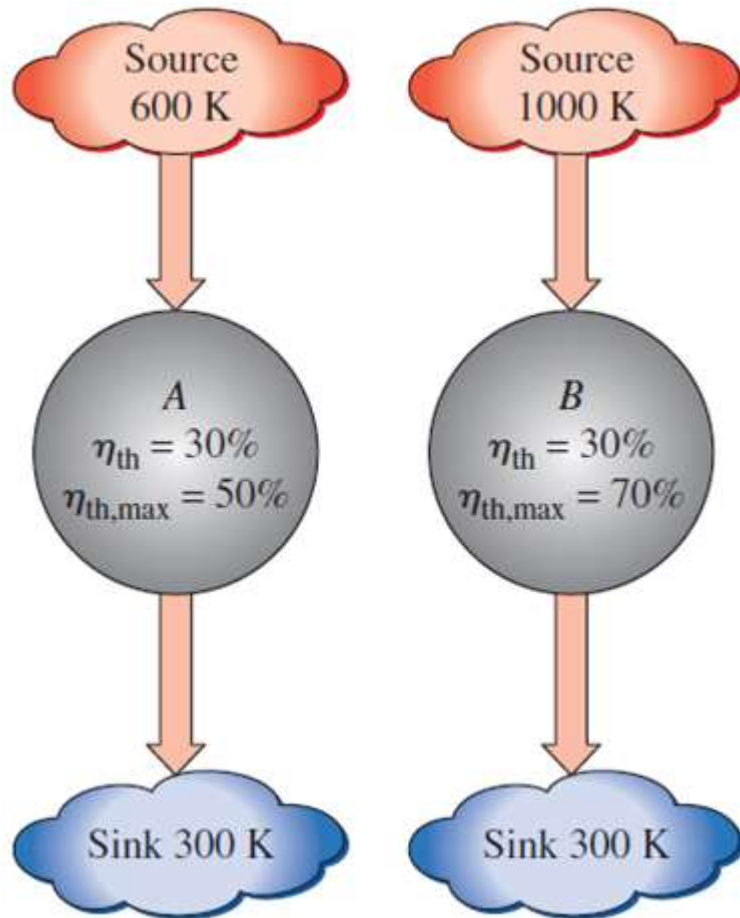


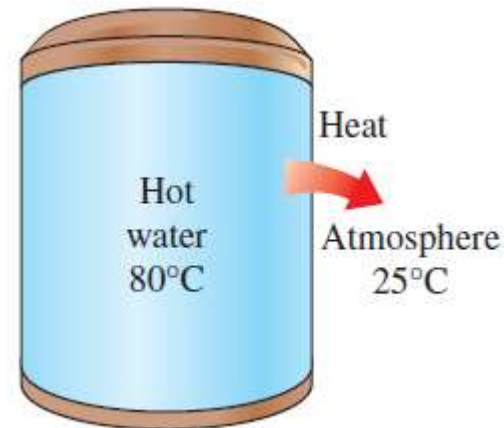
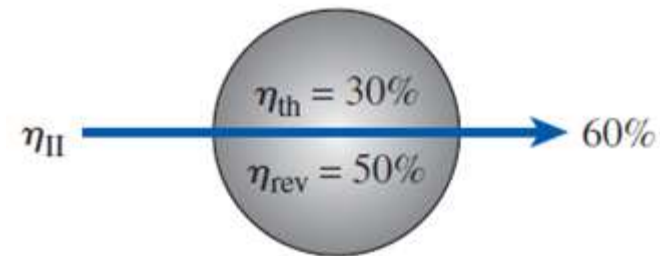
Fig-TD: Cengel & Boles; Moran, Shapiro, Boettner & Bailey

Decrease in efficiency due to irreversibilities

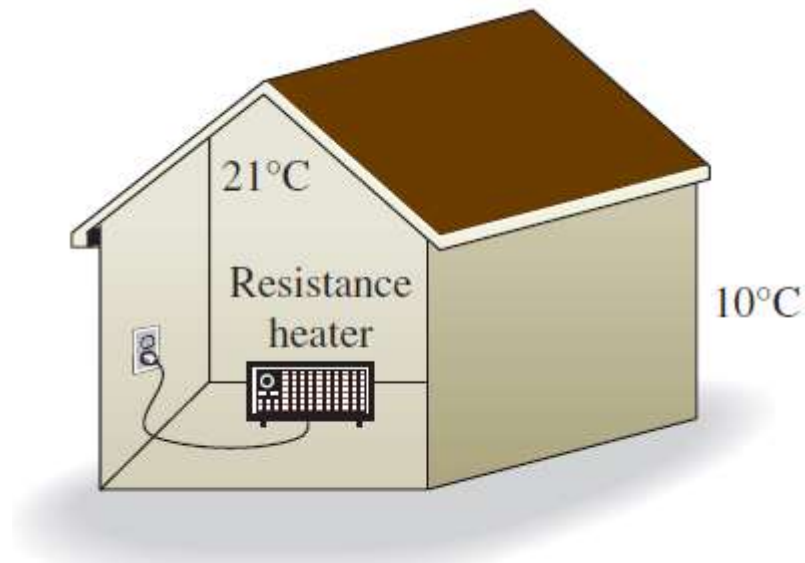


$$\eta_{II} = \frac{\eta_{th}}{\eta_{th,rev}} \quad (\text{heat engines})$$

$$\eta_{II} = \frac{W_u}{W_{rev}} \quad (\text{work-producing devices})$$



Efficiency Metrics for Work Consuming Devices



- 1 unit of electrical energy generates 1 unit of heat; “COP”=1

$$\dot{Q}_e = \dot{W}_e$$

$$\eta_{II, \text{electric heater}} = \frac{\dot{X}_{\text{recovered}}}{\dot{X}_{\text{expended}}} = \frac{\dot{X}_{\text{heat}}}{\dot{W}_e}$$

$$\eta_{II} = \frac{\text{Exergy recovered}}{\text{Exergy expended}} = 1 - \frac{\text{Exergy destroyed}}{\text{Exergy expended}}$$

$$= \frac{\dot{Q}_e(1 - T_0/T_H)}{\dot{W}_e} = 1 - \frac{T_0}{T_H}$$

$$\text{COP}_{\text{HP, rev}} = \frac{1}{1 - T_L/T_H} = \frac{1}{1 - (10 + 273 \text{ K})/(21 + 273 \text{ K})} = 26.7$$

$$\eta_{II} = \frac{\text{COP}}{\text{COP}_{\text{rev}}} = \frac{1.0}{26.7} = \mathbf{0.037} \text{ or } \mathbf{3.7\%}$$

$$\eta_{II, \text{electric heater}} = 1 - \frac{T_0}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{(10 + 273) \text{ K}}{(21 + 273) \text{ K}} = 0.037 \text{ or } 3.7\%$$

What's next?

- Quantifying exergy changes & balances in different systems