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## **HEAT - THE 'WHOLE SYSTEMS' CONTEXT**

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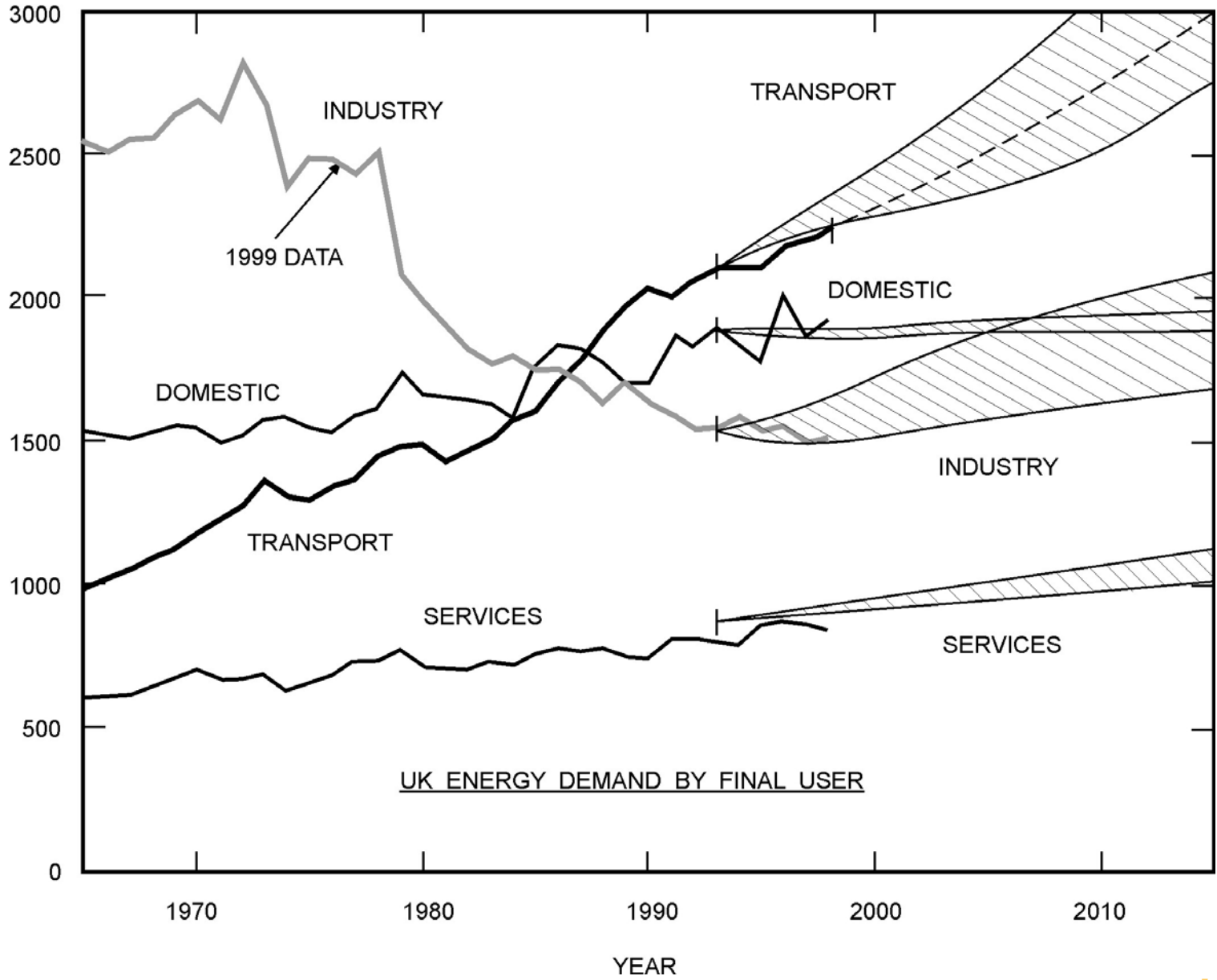
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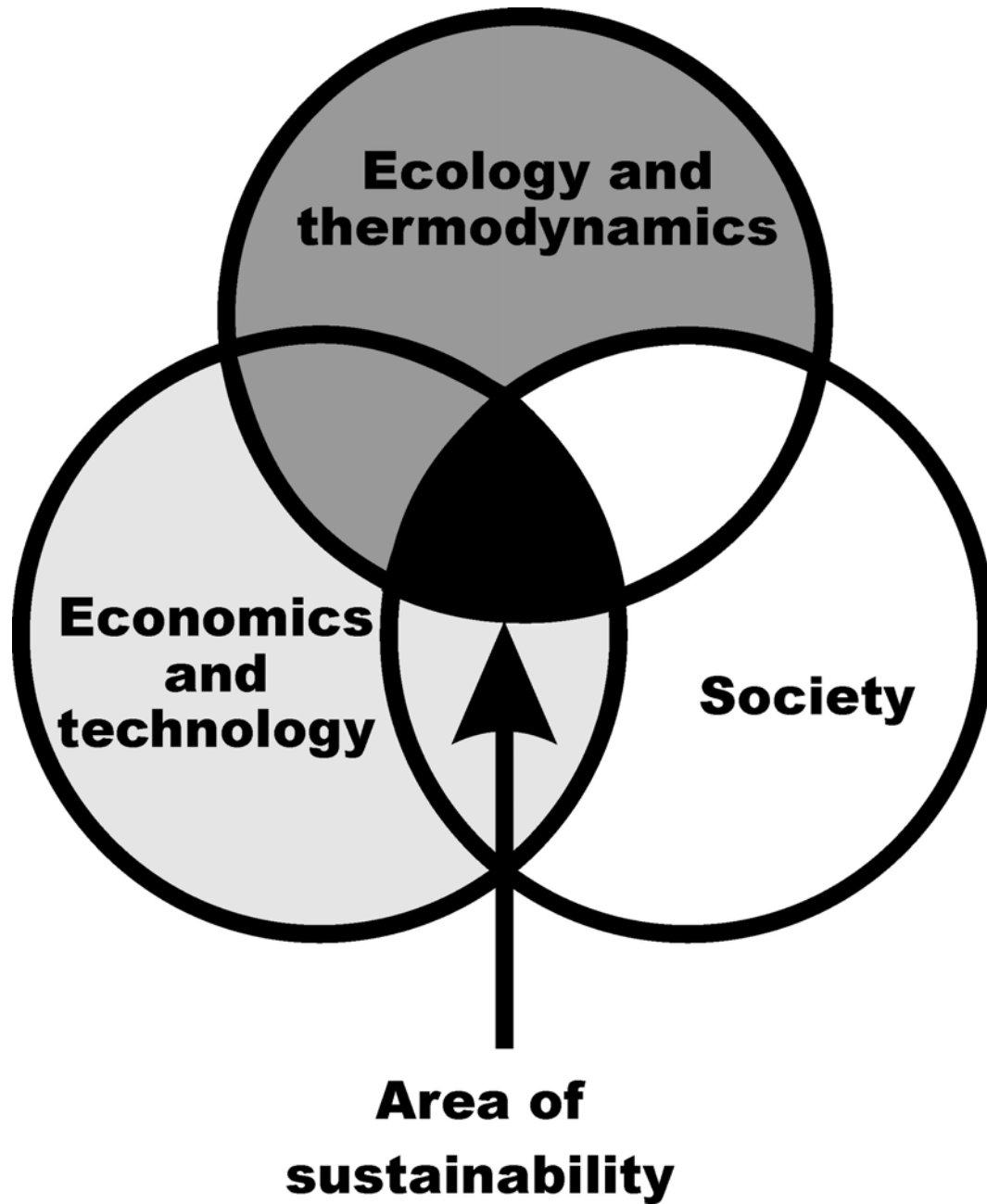
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UK ENERGY DEMAND BY FINAL USER

# WHOLE ENERGY SYSTEMS ANALYSIS

- ❖ Interdisciplinary and integrated appraisal toolkit -
  - THERMODYNAMICS: energy, exergy, and exergoeconomic analysis
  - ENVIRONMENTAL LIFE-CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA): from 'cradle-to-grave' or 'cradle-to-gate'
  - ENVIRONMENTAL COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS (CBA); with colleagues in Economics
- ❖ Sustainability analysis –
  - THE THREE PILLARS: balancing economic and social development with environmental protection



# THERMODYNAMIC CONCEPTS AND TOOLS

## ■ FIRST AND SECOND LAW CONCEPTS

ENERGY  $\Rightarrow$  QUANTITY      EXERGY  $\Rightarrow$  QUALITY

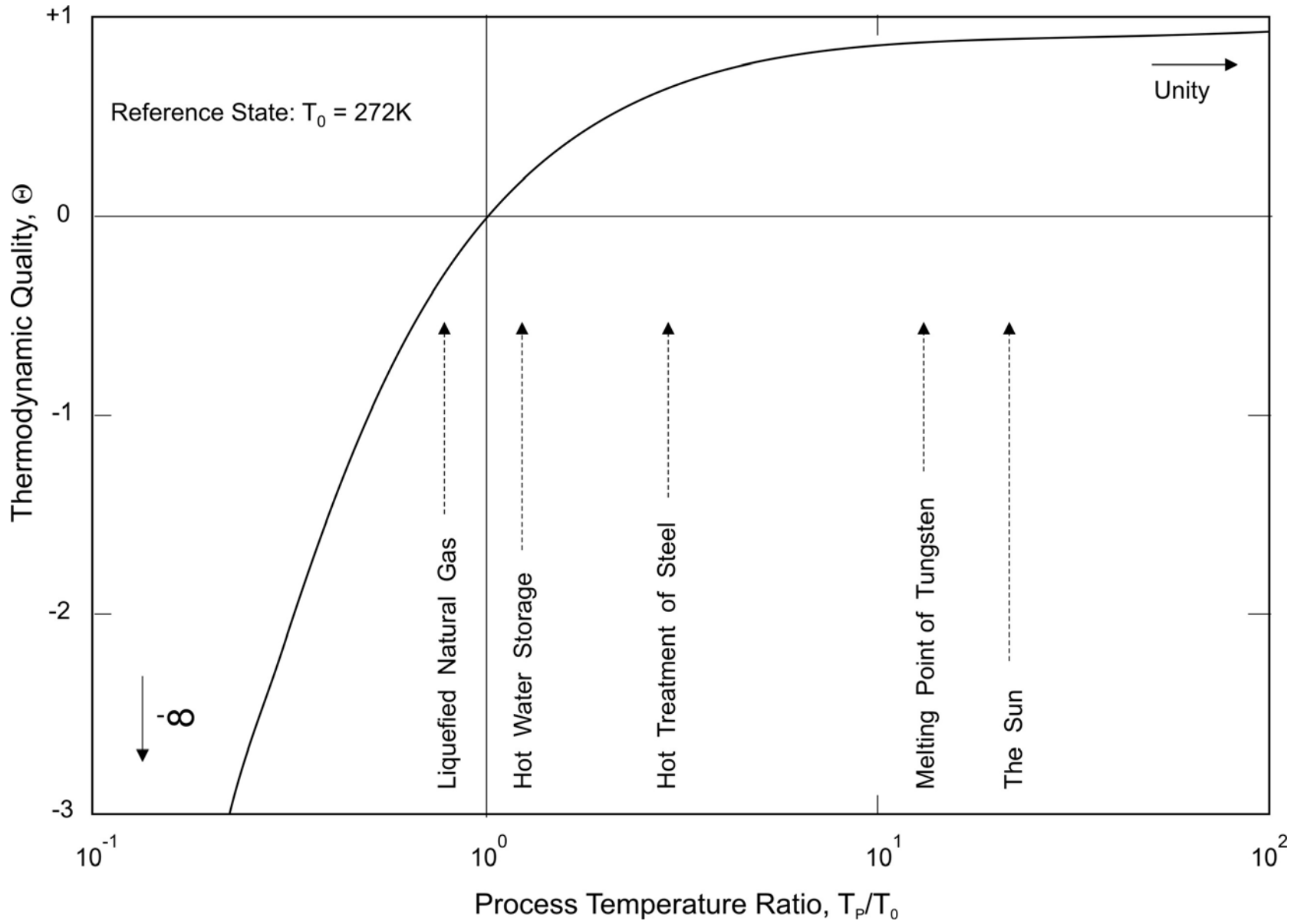
## ■ IDENTIFYING PROCESS IMPROVEMENT POTENTIAL

$\Rightarrow$  ENERGY ANALYSIS: CONSERVATION

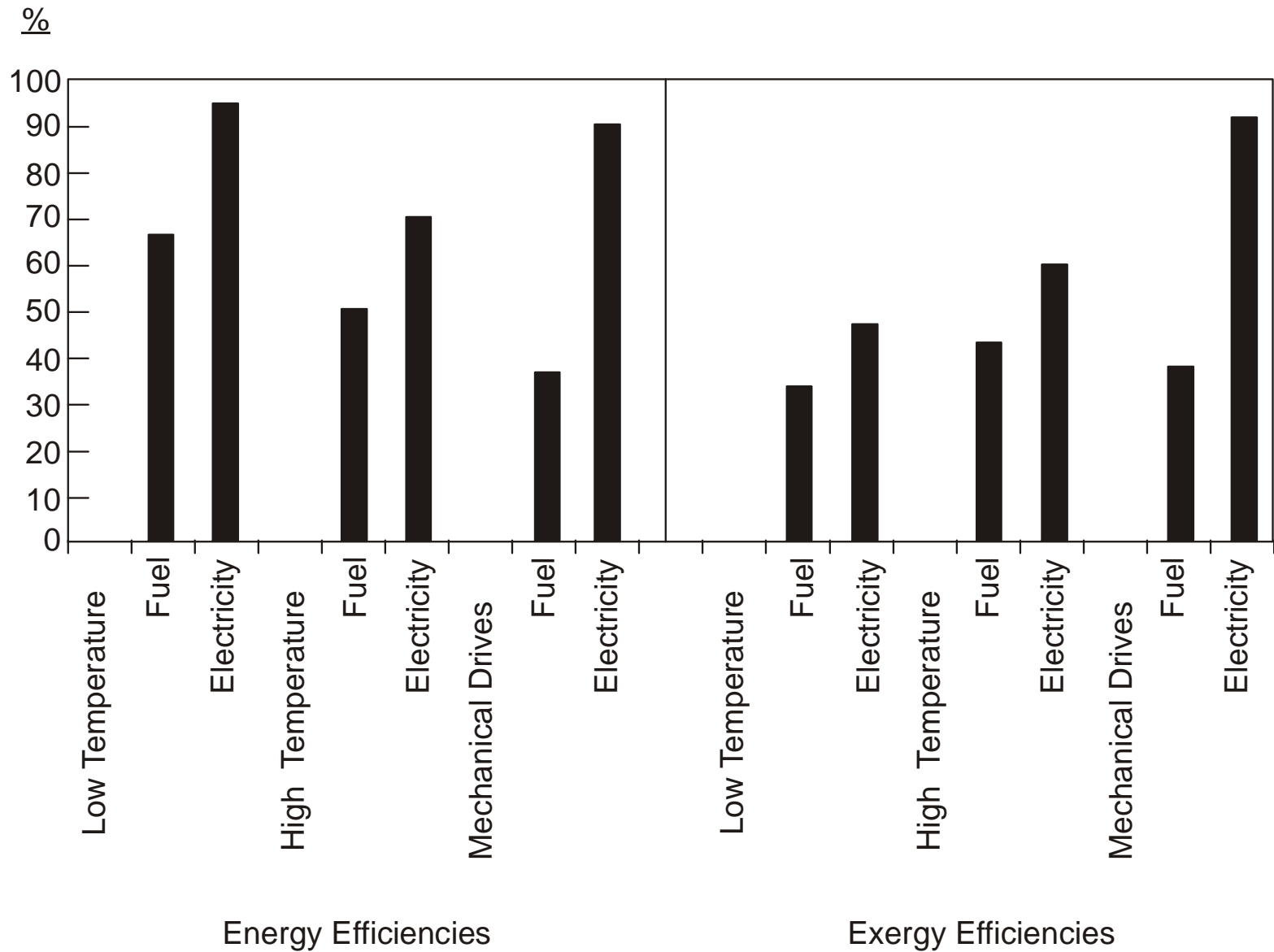
$\Rightarrow$  EXERGY ANALYSIS: ENERGY (OR HEAT) CASCADING

- ❖ It identifies scope for improvement potential; 80% in just three sectors of the UK economy - power generation, space heating in buildings and transport

A Cautionary Note: Exergy analysis should not be elevated to a pivotal position

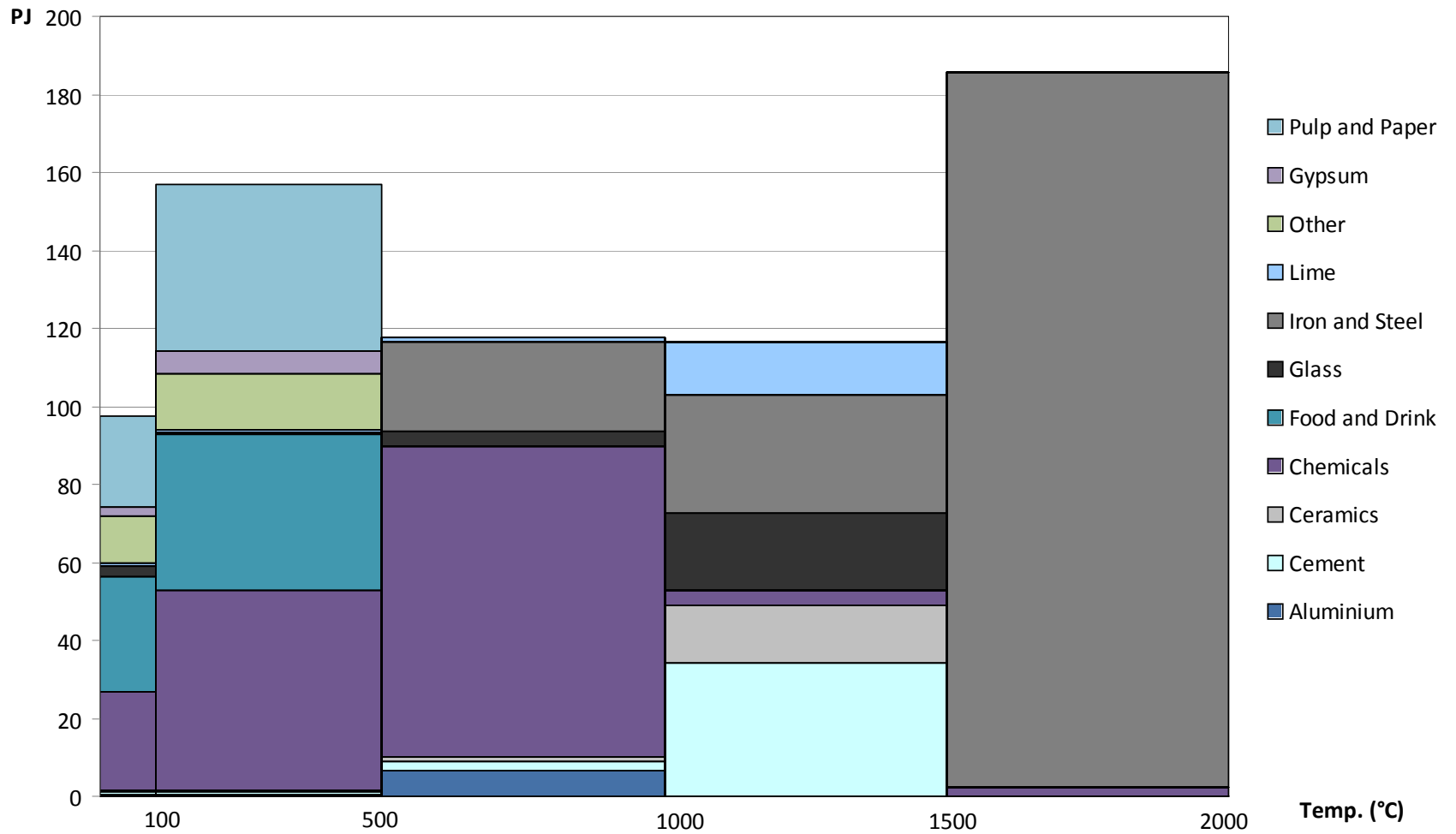


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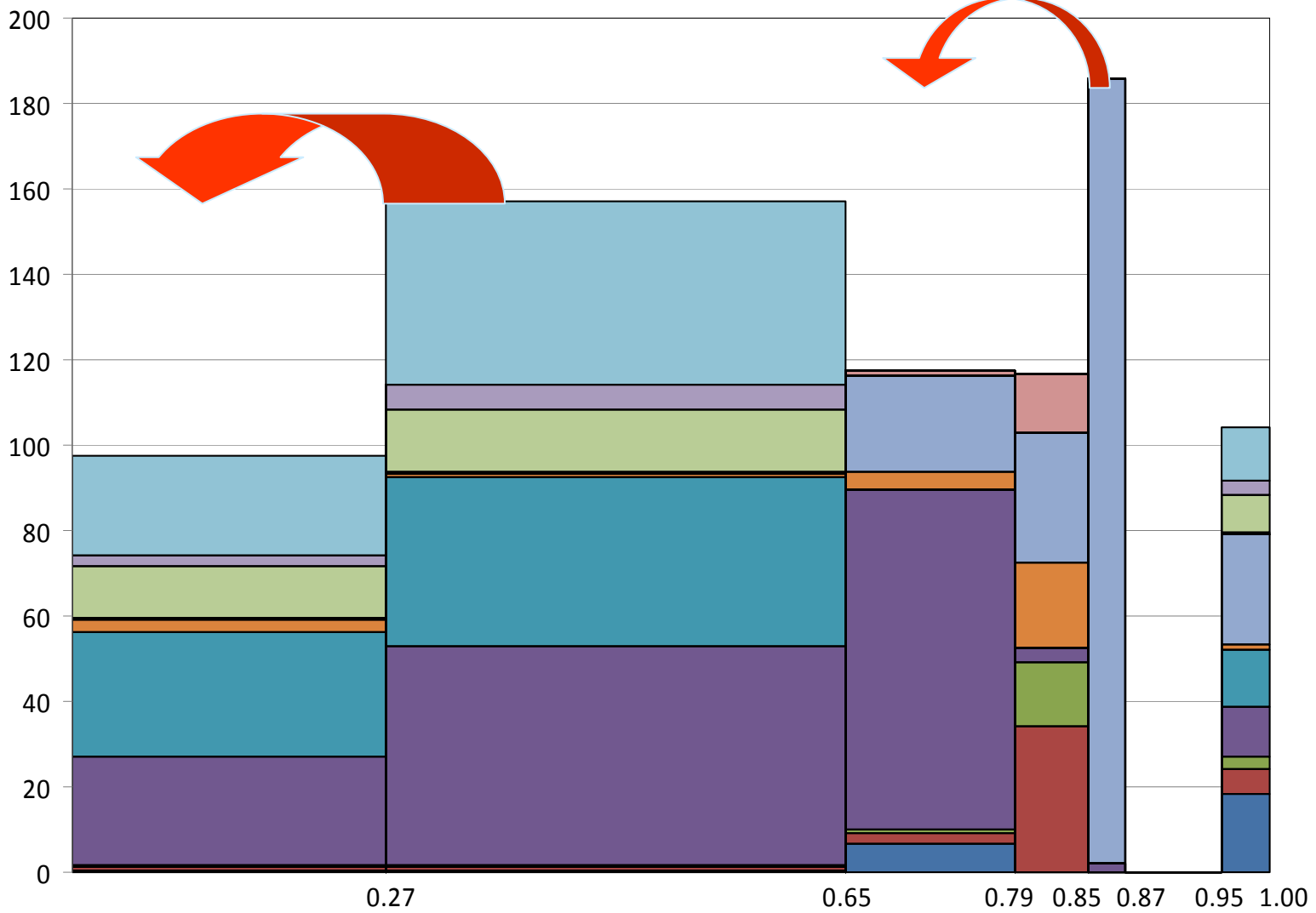


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Energy (PJ)



- Pulp and Paper
- Gypsum
- Other
- Lime
- Iron and Steel
- Glass
- Food and Drink
- Chemicals
- Ceramics
- Cement
- Aluminium

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# ELECTRICITY AS AN ENERGY CARRIER

## ■ “CAPITAL RESOURCE”

- \* Primarily based on depleting fossil and nuclear fuels
- \* Contrast with renewable (income) sources – biomass, solar, tidal, wave and wind

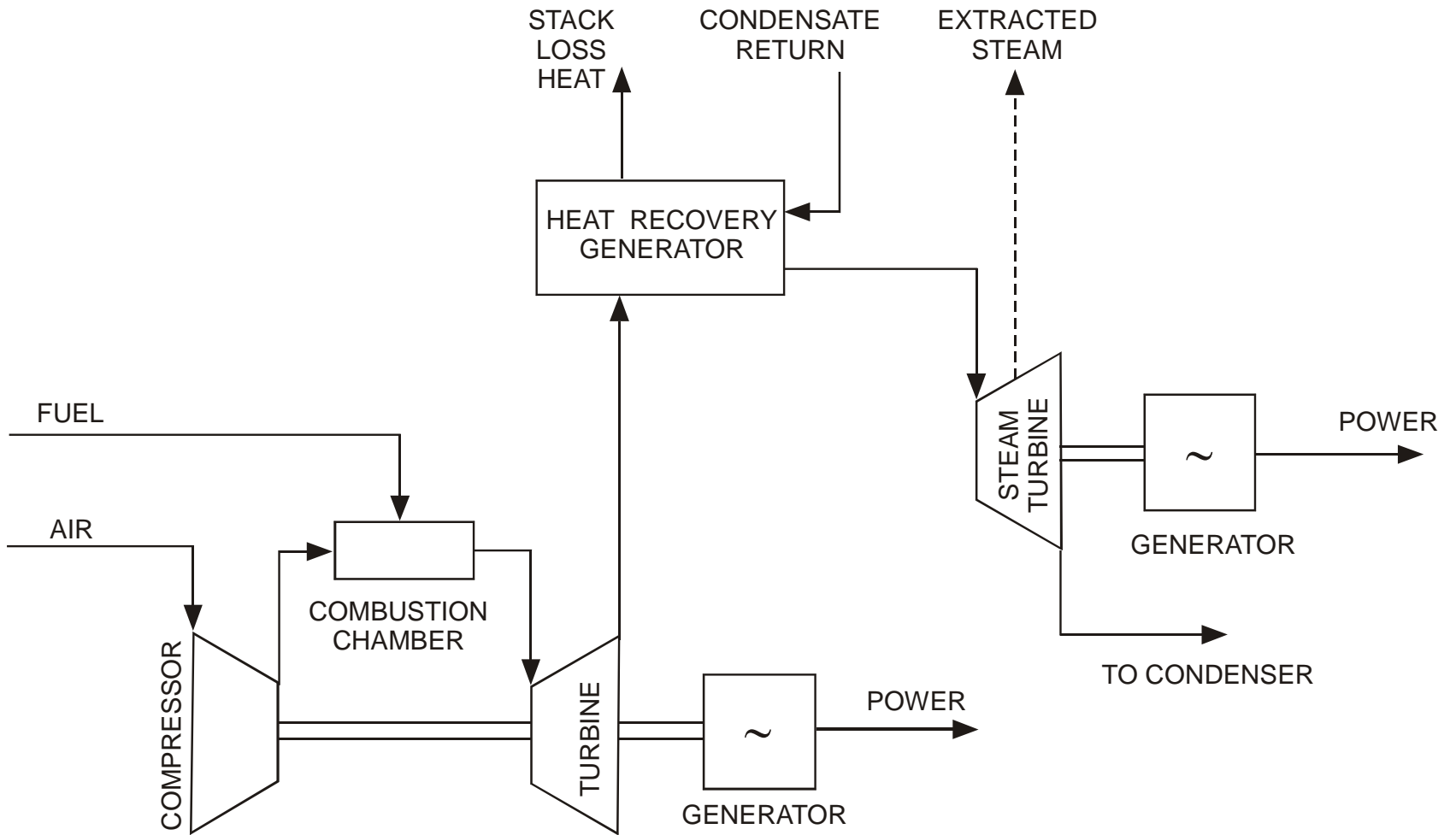
## ■ VERY DIFFICULT TO STORE – mainly instantaneous use

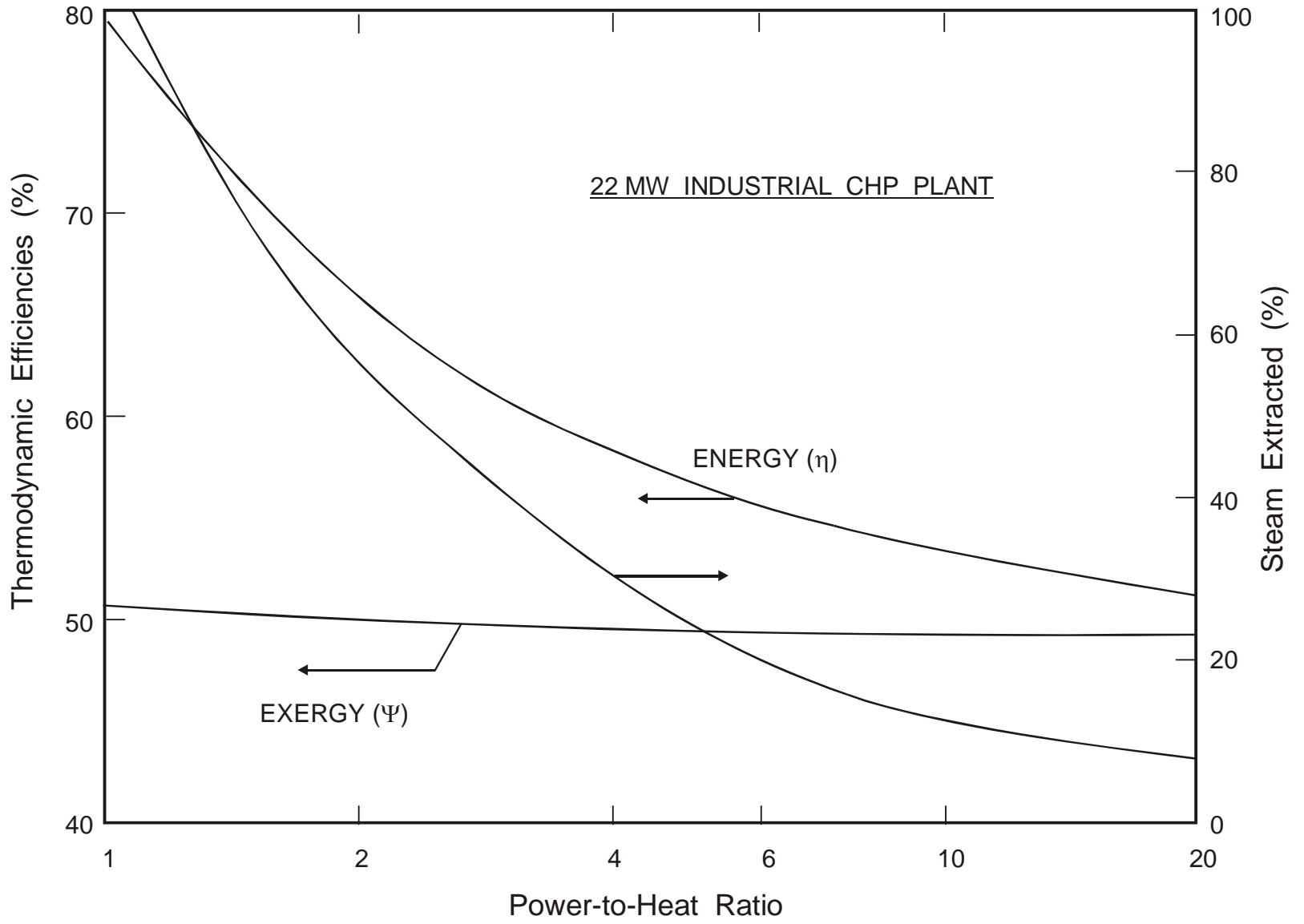
## ■ LARGE ENERGY LOSSES IN GENERATION

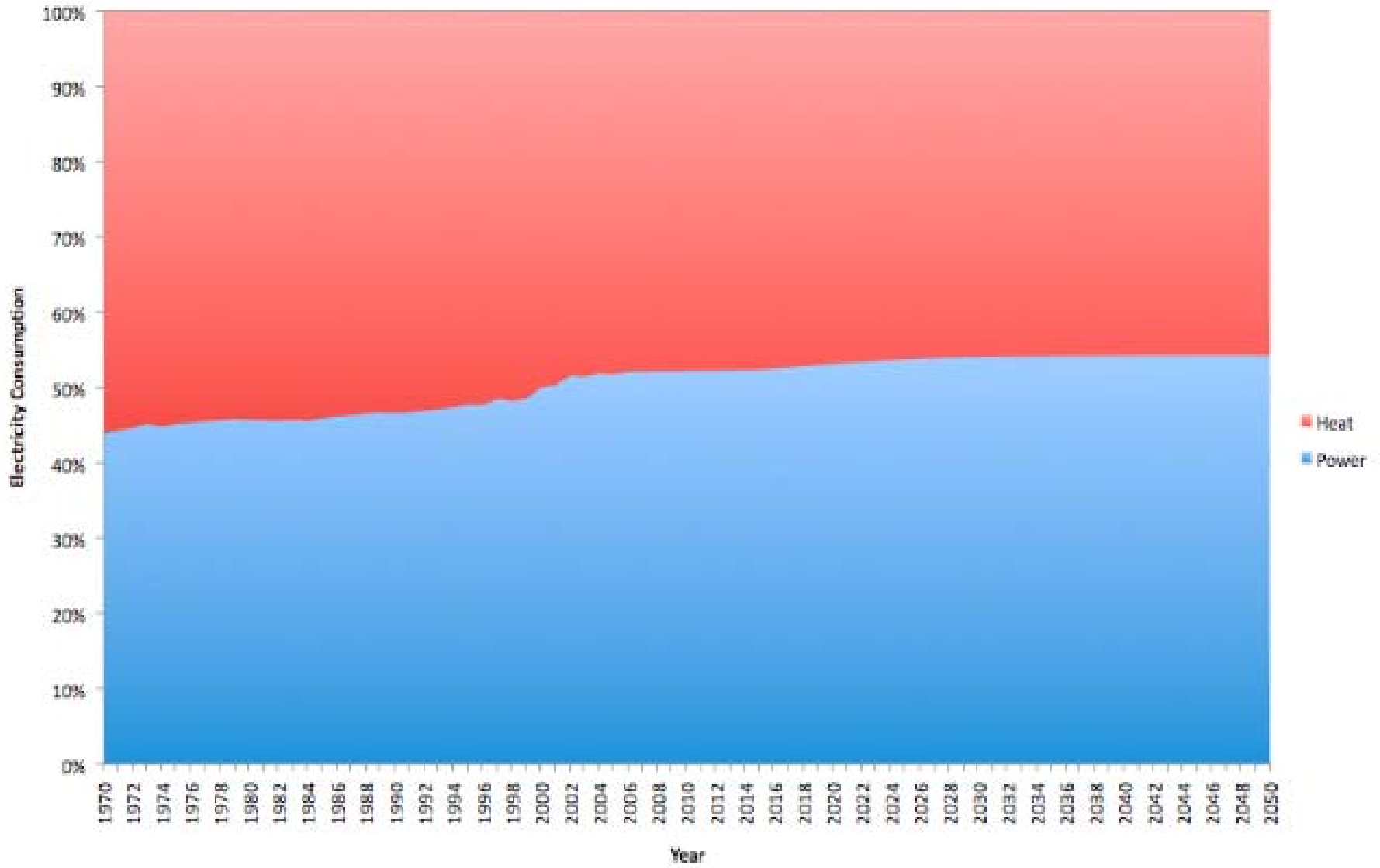
- \* Unless used in conjunction with combined heat and power (CHP) plant

## ■ HIGH GRADE RESOURCE

- \* High thermodynamic quality or ‘exergy’ ( $\theta = 1$ ), but inefficient when used for meeting space and water heating demand
- \* Amory Lovins suggested that power is only required for 10% of final energy use (USA, 1977). What for the UK in 2005?







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# INVENTORY OF CARBON & ENERGY (ICE)

- An embodied energy and carbon database for building materials
- ICE Excel and *pdf* files created to summarise data
- Draws from over 160 references
- Embodied energy & carbon coefficients ~ 400 selected values
- Aim: Typical & usable market products
- Identifies primary & secondary materials
- Available freely online



## INVENTORY OF CARBON & ENERGY (ICE)

Version 1.6a

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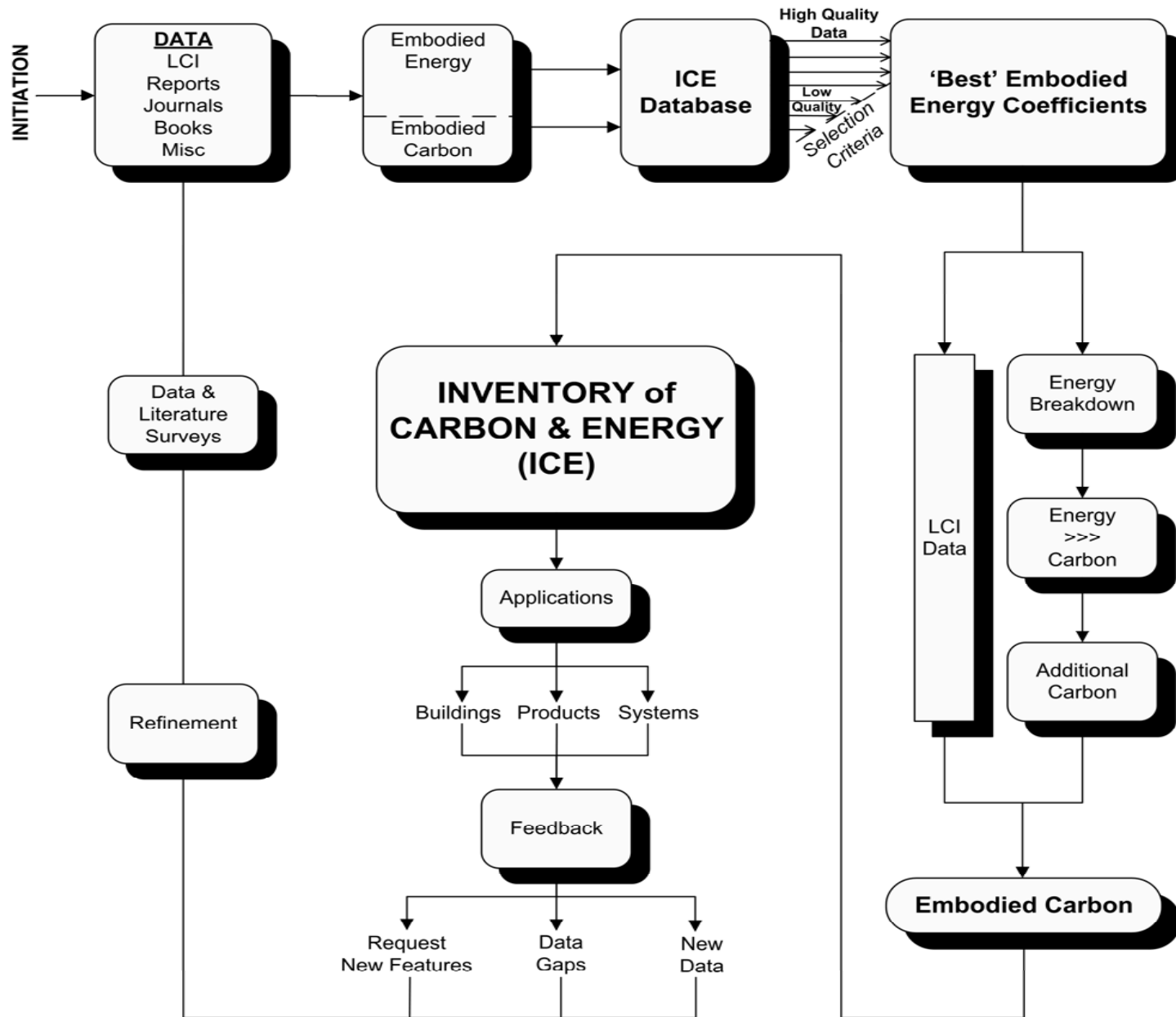
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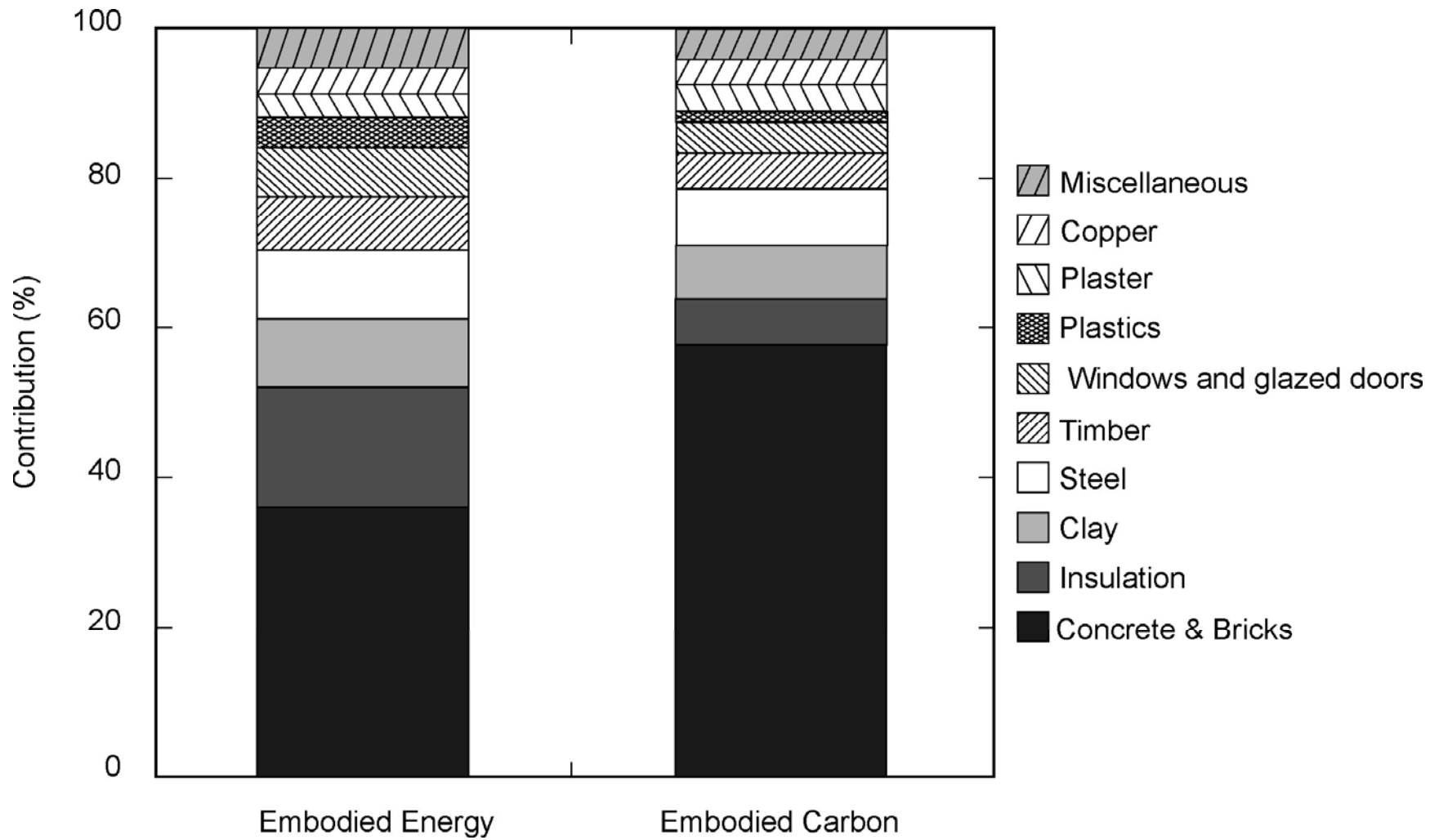
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# ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPTIONS

- **BUILDINGS: Domestic, commercial, institutional and industrial**

- ⇒ improved thermal insulation

- ⇒ condensing boilers

- ⇒ automatic heating controls

- ⇒ high efficiency and long-life lighting systems

- ❖ Potential residential energy saving: ~210 PJ (or ~ 60 TWh);  
BERR *Heat Call for Evidence*, 2008

- **INDUSTRY:**

- ⇒ improved combustion processes

- ⇒ dematerialisation and the use of innovative materials

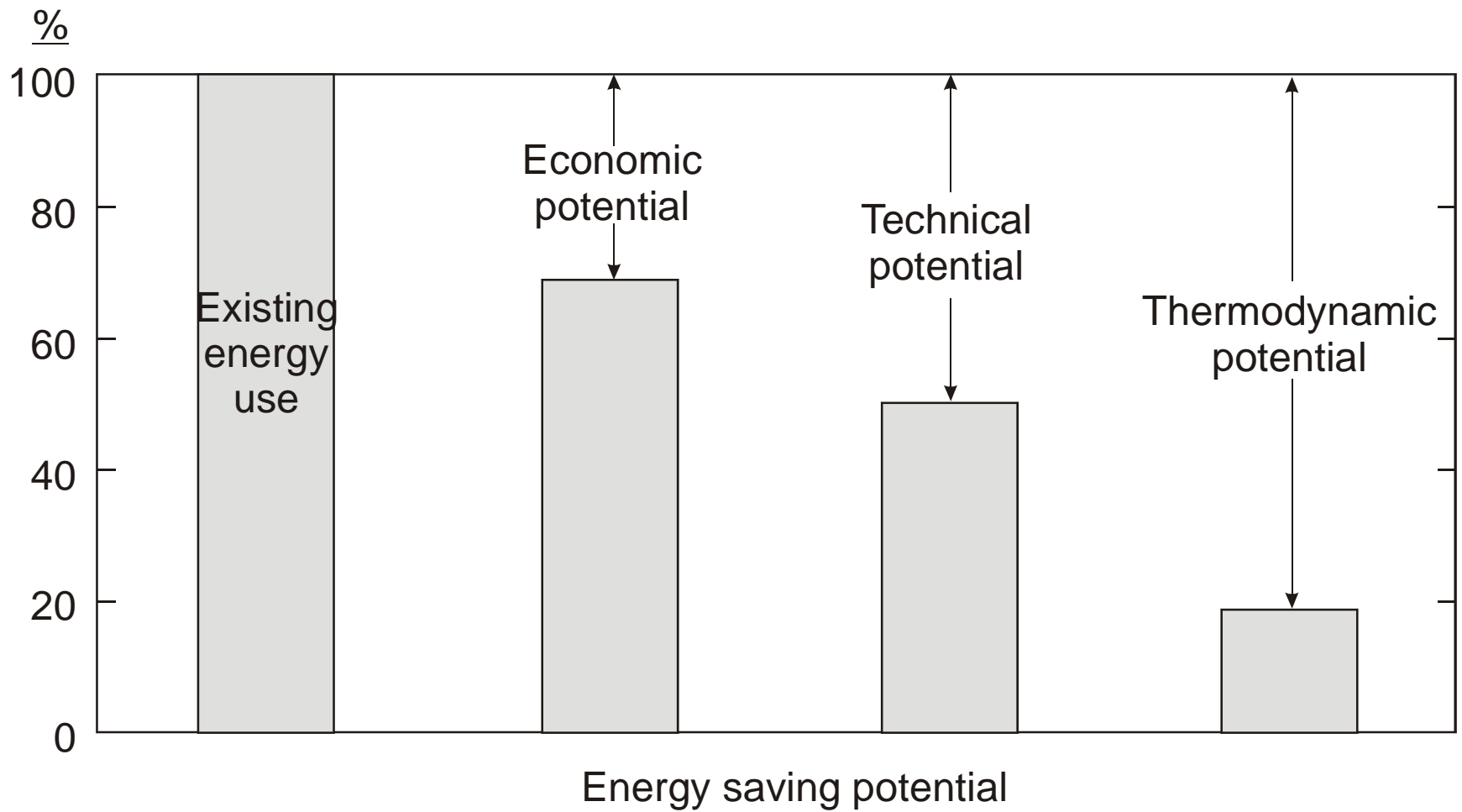
- ⇒ process optimisation

- ⇒ better process monitoring and control

- ❖ Heat recovery potential: 39-77 PJ (or 11-22 TWh); ETI/Bath

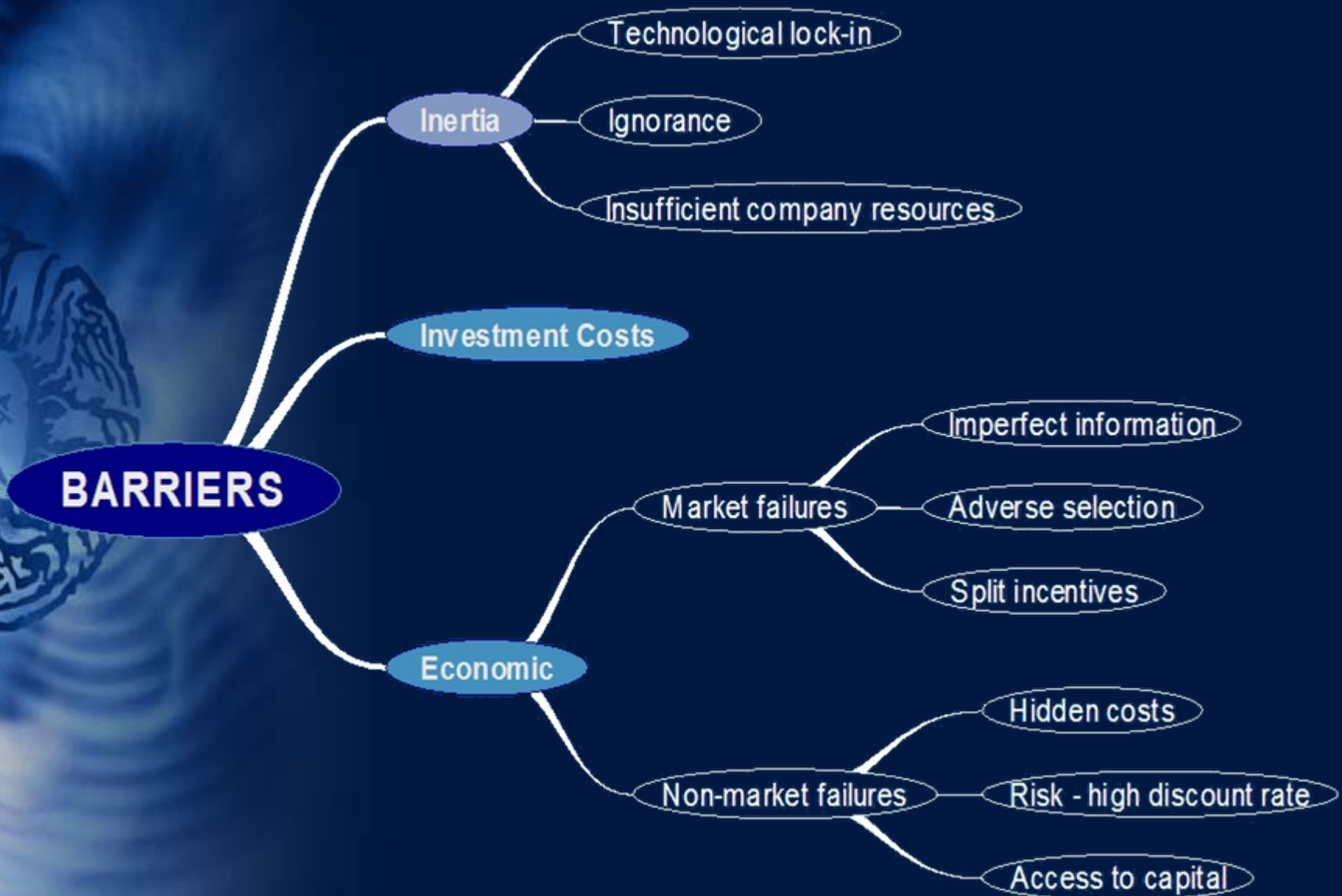
# IMPROVING ENERGY PRODUCTIVITY IN INDUSTRY

- Improved exergetic efficiencies, e.g., through:
  - \* Heat cascading and recovery
  - \* Co-generation (CHP) and tri-generation
  - \* Community/district heating schemes
  - \* Co-location and eco-industrial parks
- Dematerialisation (“more with less”) – Factor 4, 10, X ...
  - \* e.g., glass bottles
- Barriers remain ...



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# BARRIERS TO INDUSTRIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY



# 'THE ENERGY HIERARCHY'

- Strategic energy options advocated for the UK [House of Commons' Environmental Audit Committee (1999)] –
  - ❖ **end-use energy efficiency**
  - ❖ **renewable energy technologies**; for both heat and power
  - ❖ **combined heat and power (CHP)**
  - ❖ **(low carbon) fossil fuels** ⇒ replacing coal by natural gas, or adding carbon capture and storage (CCS)
  - ❖ **new nuclear power reactors** – that the industry claims are inherently safer than previous designs, but would need operational approvals and take ~15 years to plan, construct and commission

# CONCLUSIONS REMARKS - 1

- *'Whole systems'* and *'sustainability'* perspectives are important in analysing energy systems.
- Thermodynamic concepts and tools provide a means for identifying where the improvement potential lies.
- The quantity and quality of energy carriers should be considered.
- *Energy-intensive industries* – Savings from the development of high-temperature processes and heat recovery at lower temperatures.
- Economic barriers will limit the technical improvement potential to only some 50%.
- Even that would make a significant contribution to energy demand and carbon reduction in UK buildings and industry.

## CONCLUSIONS REMARKS – 2

### Work in progress at Bath -

- Little “low hanging fruit” left in industry due to price-sensitive management?
- Decline in “heavy” industry to cease/stabilise?
- Increased demand for electricity offset by decarbonisation?
- Direct emissions (process+combustion) will dominate by 2020?
- Options for decarbonising buildings and industry further...
  - ❖ Low carbon heat – e.g., biomass, heat pumps
  - ❖ Heat from electricity – e.g., heat pumps, induction heating
  - ❖ CCS for some sectors, e.g., cement



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ANY QUESTIONS?

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