

Fission is the new Fire

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Fire versus Fission

- Original human controlled heat
- Natural phenomenon
- 100,000+ year old technology learning curve
- Dangerous byproducts released to environment
- Still causes numerous deaths
- Basis for the world's largest industry
- Major fuel sources limited

- New human controlled heat source
- Natural phenomenon
- 60 year old learning curve
- Dangerous byproducts contained at source
- No documented injuries from commercial power by-products
- Few known deaths
- Competes with world's largest industry
- Major fuel sources barely touched





A pound of uranium







Contains as much energy as

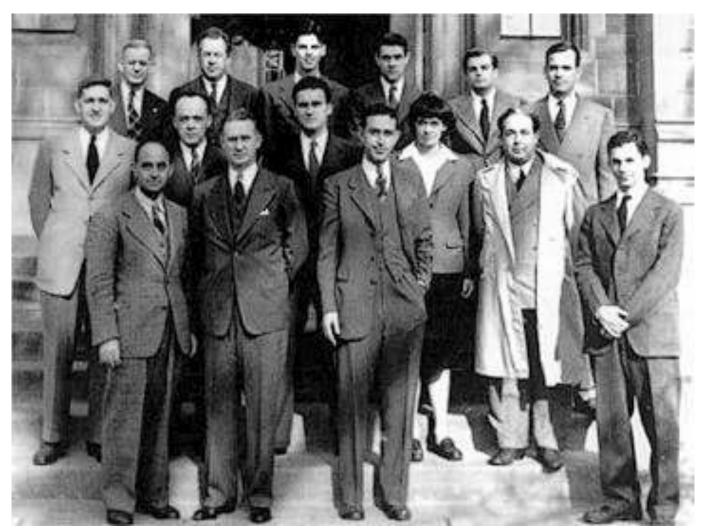
Thirty tanker trucks full of oil















Atomic ZEV (Zero Emission Vessel) USS Von Steuben SSBN632







Atomic Ambassador Ship NS Savannah Circa 1965







Distributed Atomic Power PM-3A at McMurdo Station, Antarctica







Small Atomic Power Atomic fission on a 400 ton research submarine







Large coastal atomic power station Diablo Canyon, San Luis Obispo, CA



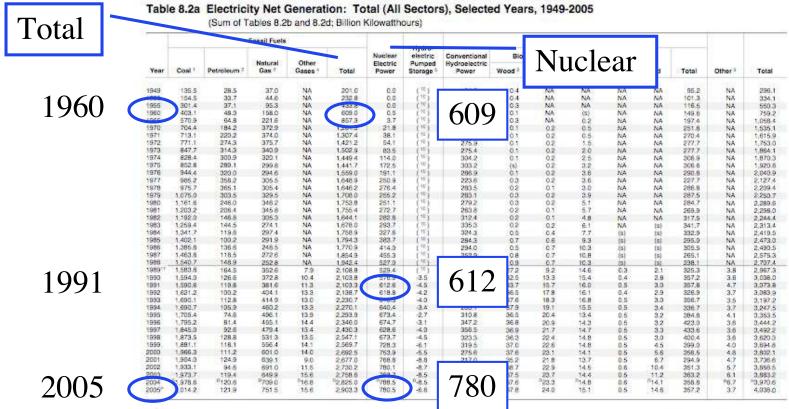
Spring wildflowers at the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant

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US Electricity - All Sectors



Arshracite, bituminous coal, subbituminous coal, lignite, waste coal, and coal synfuel

Distillate fuel oil, residual fuel oil, petroleum ooke, jet fuel, kerosene, other petroleum, and waste oil. Natural gas, plus a small amount of supplemental gaseous fuels that cannot be identified separately.

Bast furnace gas, propane gas, and other manufactured and waste gases derived from lossil fuels.

Pumped storage facility production minus energy used for pumping

Wood black liquer and other wood weste

⁷ Municipal solid waste, landfill gas, sludge waste, tres, agricultural byproducts, and other biomass.

Solar thermal and photovoltaic energy.

Batteries, chemicals, hydrogen, pitch, purchased steam, sulfur, and miscellaneous technologies

Included in "Conventional Hydroelectric Power."

R=Revised: P=Pteliminary. NA=Net available. (s)=Less than 0.05 billion killowatthours. Notes: • See Note 1, "Coverage of Electricity Statistics," at end of section. • Totals may not equal sum

of components due to independent rounding. Web Pages: • For data not shown for 1951-1999, see http://www.ela.doe.gov/emeu/aer/elect.html

For related information, see http://www.ela.doe.gov/fuelelectric.html.

Sources: • 1949-1988 – Table 8 2b for electric power sector, and Table 8.1 for industrial sector. • 1989 forward – Tables 8.2b and 8.2d.



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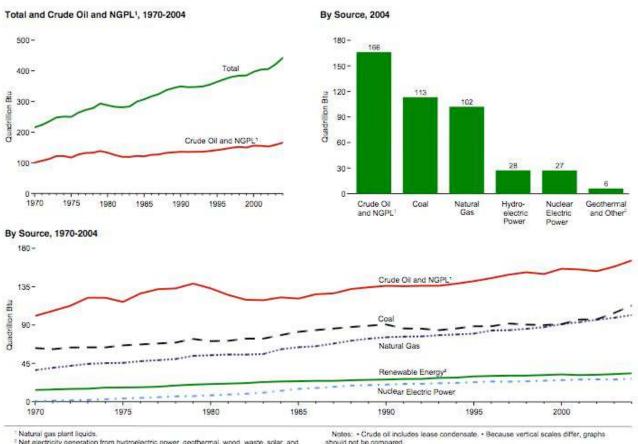




records, 1988, all data except hydrostectric are for electric utilities only; hydrostectric data through 1988 include industrial plants as well as electric utilities. Beginning in 1988, data are for electric utilities, independent power producesr, commercial plants, and industrial plants.

World Energy Market

Figure 11.1 World Primary Energy Production by Source



³ Net electricity generation from hydroelectric power, geothermal, wood, waste, solar, and wind. Data for the United States also include other renewable energy. Source: Table 11.1.



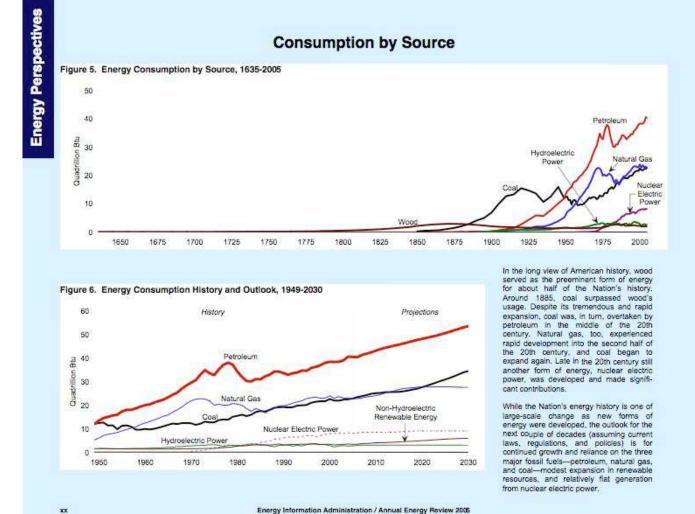
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US Energy Consumption by Source



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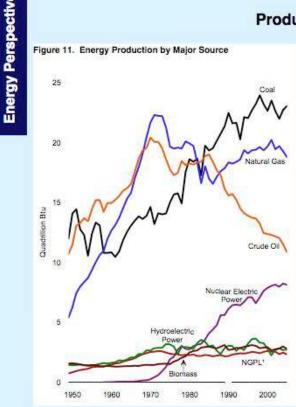


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Atomic

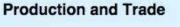
US Energy Production by Source

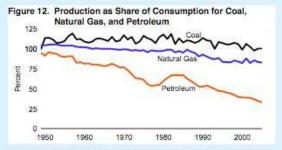


¹ Natural gas plant liquids

In the period studied, most energy produced in the United States came from fossil fuels—coal, natural gas, and crude oil. Coal, the leading source at the middle of the 20th century, was surpassed by crude oil and then by natural gas. By the mid-1980s, coal again became the leading energy source produced in the United States, and crude oil declined sharply. In the 1970s, electricity produced from nuclear fuel began to make a significant contribution and expanded rapidly in the following decades.

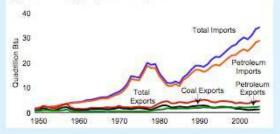
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The United States almost always produced more than enough coal for its own requirements. For many years, the United States was also selfsufficient in natural gas, but after 1967, it produced less than it consumed each year. Petroleum production fell far short of domestic demands, requiring the Nation to rely on imported supplies.





Since the mid-1950s, the Nation imported more energy than it exported. In 2005, the United States imported 34 quadrillion Btu of energy and exported 5 quadrilion Btu. Most imported energy was in the form of petroleum; since 1986, natural gas imports expanded rapidly as well. Through 1992, most exported energy was in the form of coal; after that, petroleum exports often exceeded coal exports.

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Postulate - Fire sellers do not like fission

- Fossil (fire) sales three trillion dollars per year
- From 1956 onward, fission captured 100% of the US submarine propulsion market
- Fission was on its way to capturing 100% of Navy shipbuilding market
- Between 1970-1990, nuclear power in the US captured 20% of the electricity market.
- Fission captured large electrical markets in France, Japan, Spain, the UK, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Lithuania
- Motive for Fear, Uncertainty and Doubt (FUD)?





Fire pushers *talk* about alternatives

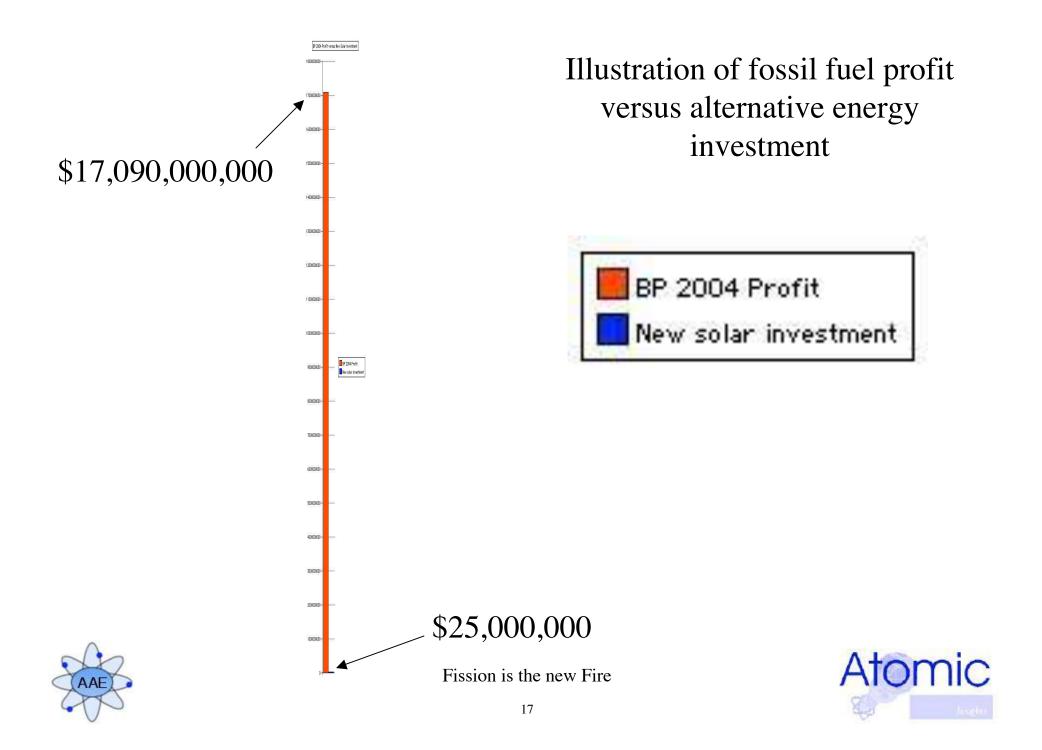
- BP calls itself "Beyond Petroleum"
- Chevron famously asks "Will you Join Us?"
- Shell tells us that they "Aren't just about oil anymore"
- You can find these campaigns on billboards, full page magazine ads, on the Internet, and on television.

However

• It is nearly impossible to find a mention of nuclear or atomic power in fossil fuel company advertisements.







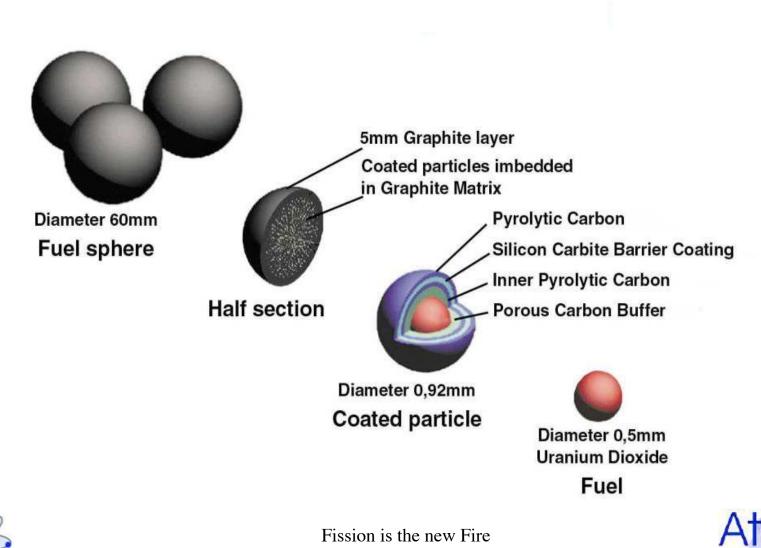
Think differently about energy. I Like

Pebble PowerTM



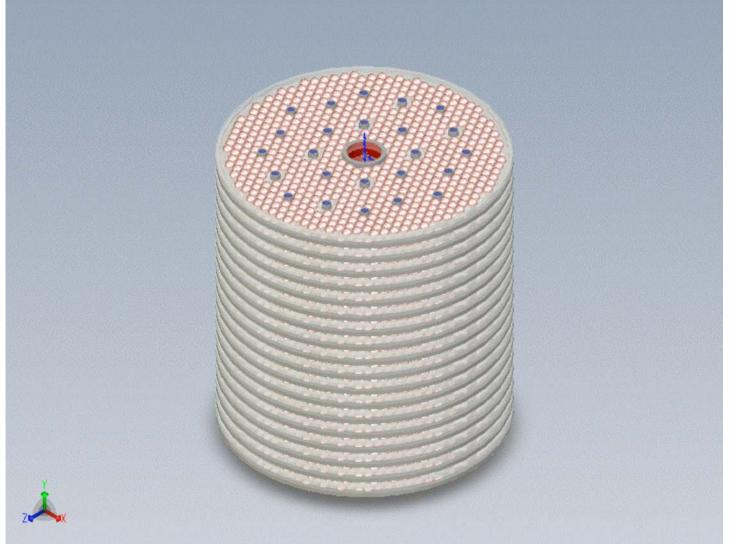


Pebble design





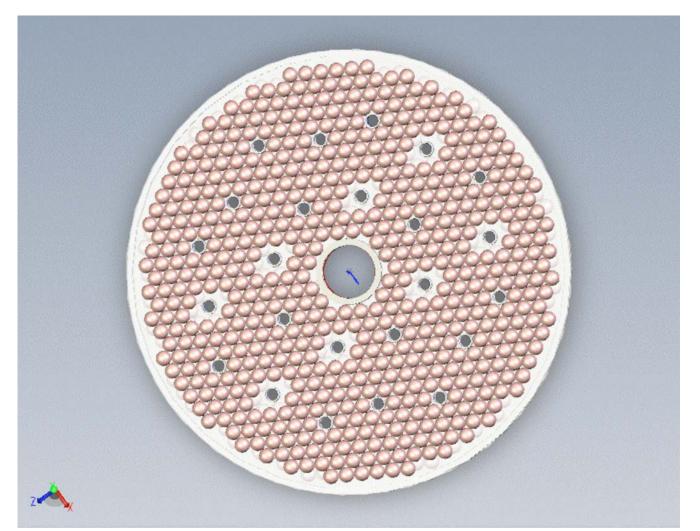
Pile of Power PebblesTM







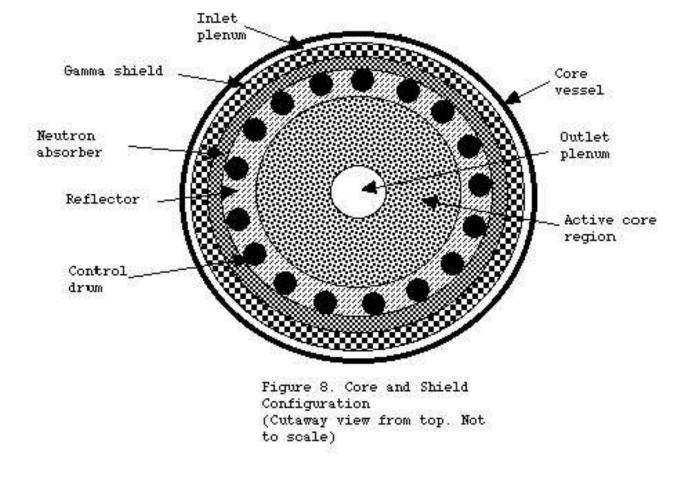
Cross section view of Pebble Bed







Adams EngineTM Core Concept circa 1994

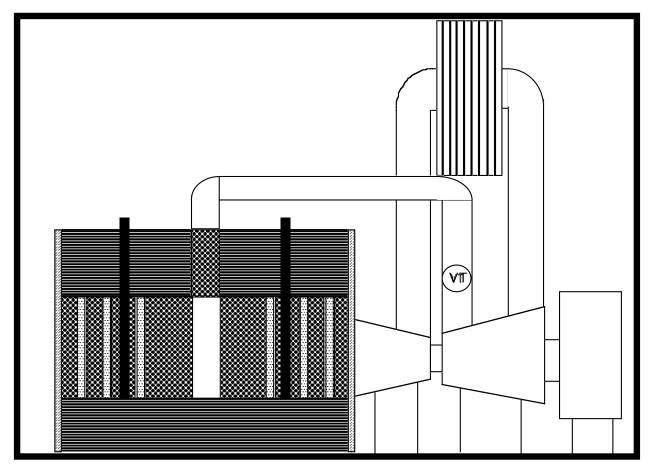






Adams EngineTM diagram circa 1994

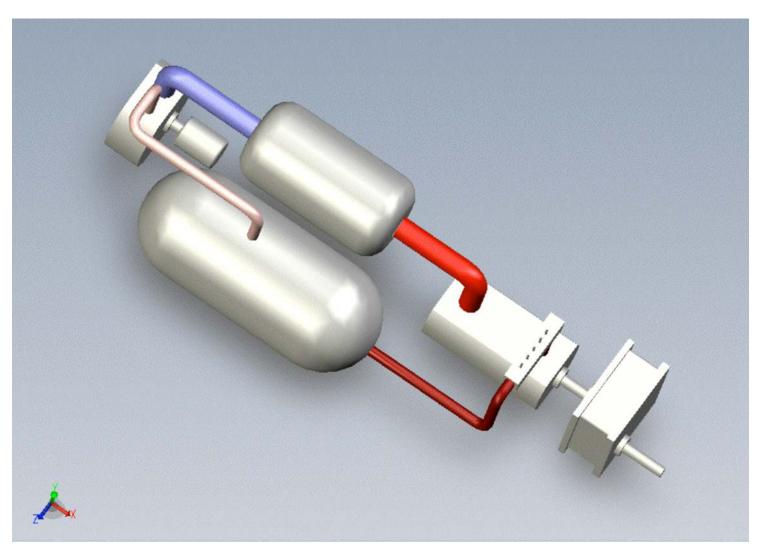
Atomic Engine Concept







Adams EngineTM







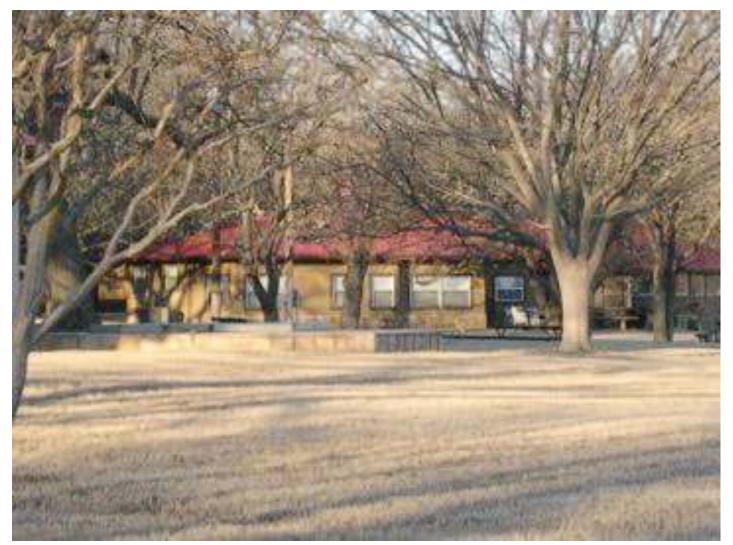
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