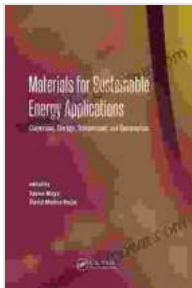


# Conversion Storage Transmission And Consumption

## The Energy Cycle

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But where does energy come from? And how does it get to the places where it is needed?

The energy cycle is the process by which energy is created, transformed, transported, and used. It begins with the extraction of raw energy resources from the Earth, such as fossil fuels, nuclear fuel, and renewable energy sources like solar and wind. These resources are then converted into

usable forms of energy, such as electricity, heat, and motion. The energy is then transported to the places where it is needed, and finally, it is consumed to power our homes, businesses, and industries.

## **Conversion**

Energy conversion is the process of changing one form of energy into another. For example, a power plant converts the chemical energy stored in coal into electrical energy. A solar panel converts the sun's energy into electrical energy. And a battery converts chemical energy into electrical energy.

There are many different types of energy conversion technologies, each with its own advantages and disadvantages. The most common type of energy conversion is the conversion of chemical energy into electrical energy. This is done in power plants, which burn fossil fuels to heat water and produce steam. The steam drives a turbine, which generates electricity.

Other common types of energy conversion include:

\* The conversion of heat into electricity, which is done in geothermal power plants. \* The conversion of wind energy into electricity, which is done in wind turbines. \* The conversion of solar energy into electricity, which is done in solar panels.

## **Storage**

Energy storage is the process of storing energy for later use. There are many different types of energy storage technologies, each with its own advantages and disadvantages. The most common type of energy storage is the storage of electrical energy in batteries. Batteries store electrical

energy in chemical form, and they can be discharged to release energy when needed.

Other common types of energy storage include:

\* The storage of thermal energy in thermal storage systems. \* The storage of hydrogen energy in hydrogen fuel cells. \* The storage of pumped hydro energy in pumped hydro storage systems.

## **Transmission**

Energy transmission is the process of transporting energy from the place where it is produced to the place where it is needed. There are many different types of energy transmission technologies, each with its own advantages and disadvantages. The most common type of energy transmission is the transmission of electricity through power lines.

Other common types of energy transmission include:

\* The transmission of natural gas through pipelines. \* The transmission of coal through railroads and ships. \* The transmission of oil through tankers and pipelines.

## **Consumption**

Energy consumption is the process of using energy to power our homes, businesses, and industries. There are many different types of energy consumption, each with its own advantages and disadvantages. The most common type of energy consumption is the consumption of electricity.

Other common types of energy consumption include:

\* The consumption of natural gas. \* The consumption of coal. \* The consumption of oil.

## **The Future of Energy**

The future of energy is uncertain, but there are a number of trends that are likely to shape its development. These trends include:

\* The increasing use of renewable energy sources. \* The development of new energy storage technologies. \* The increasing efficiency of energy consumption.

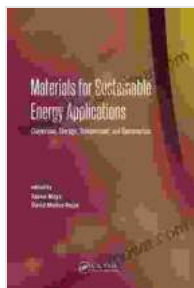
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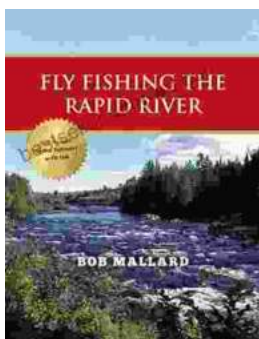


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