



# Energy Transformations



Rube Goldberg Machine

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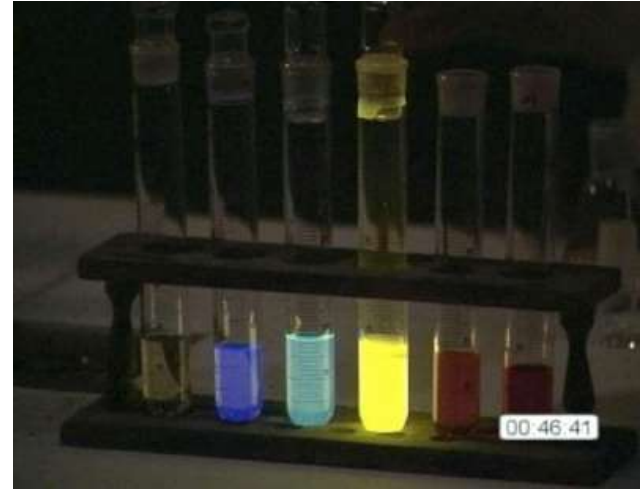
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Electric motor  
Electric generator  
Rising bubbles  
Elliptical orbits  
Trampoline  
Rub hands  
Burning candle  
Photosynthesis  
Solar panels  
Chemiluminescence

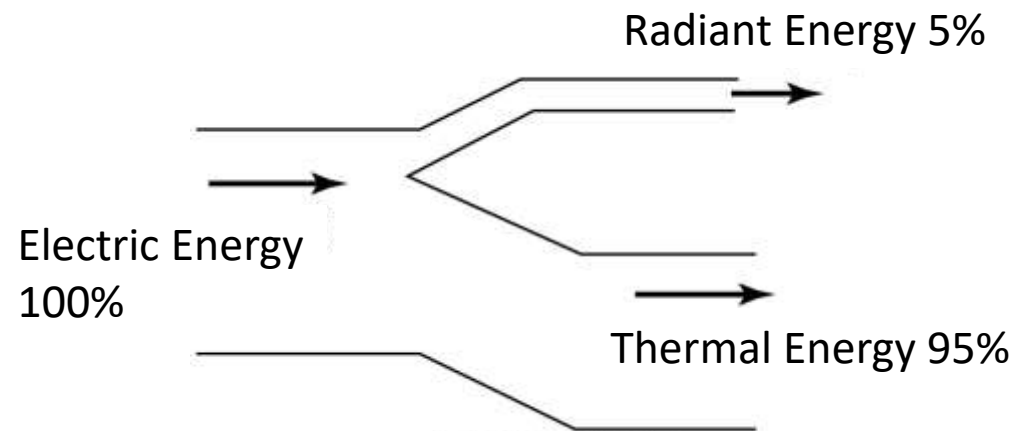


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Incandescent  
Light Bulb

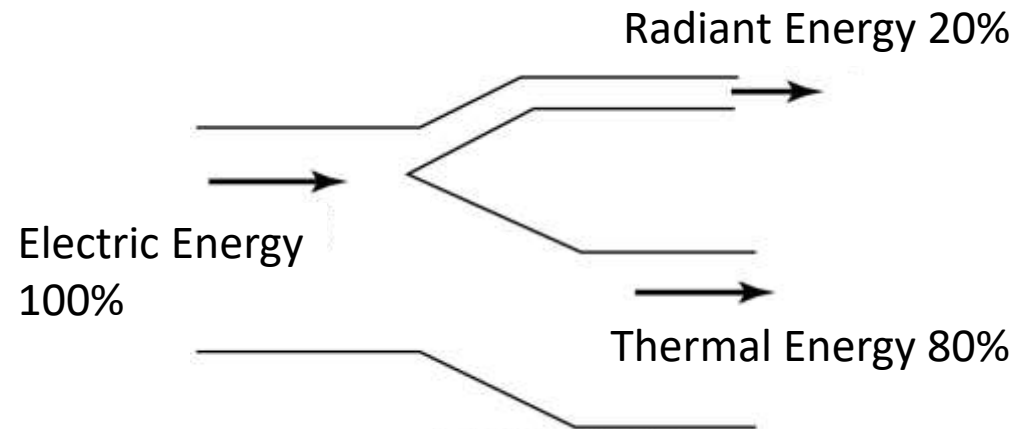


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Compact  
Fluorescent  
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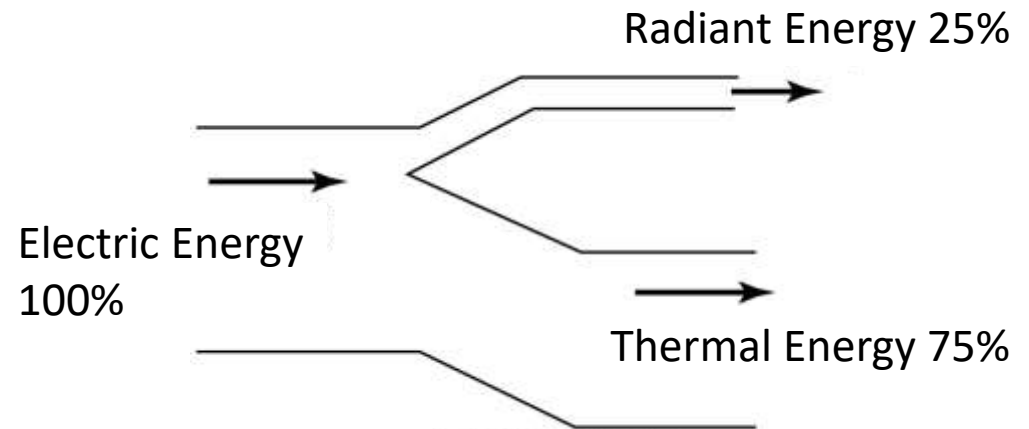
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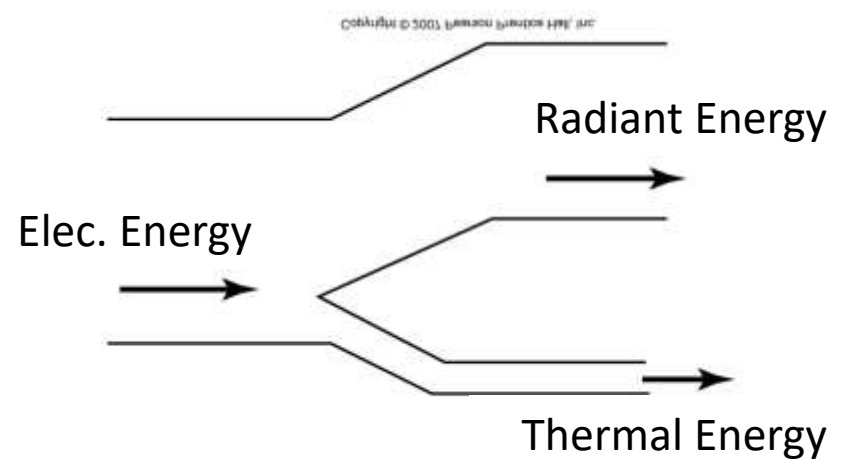
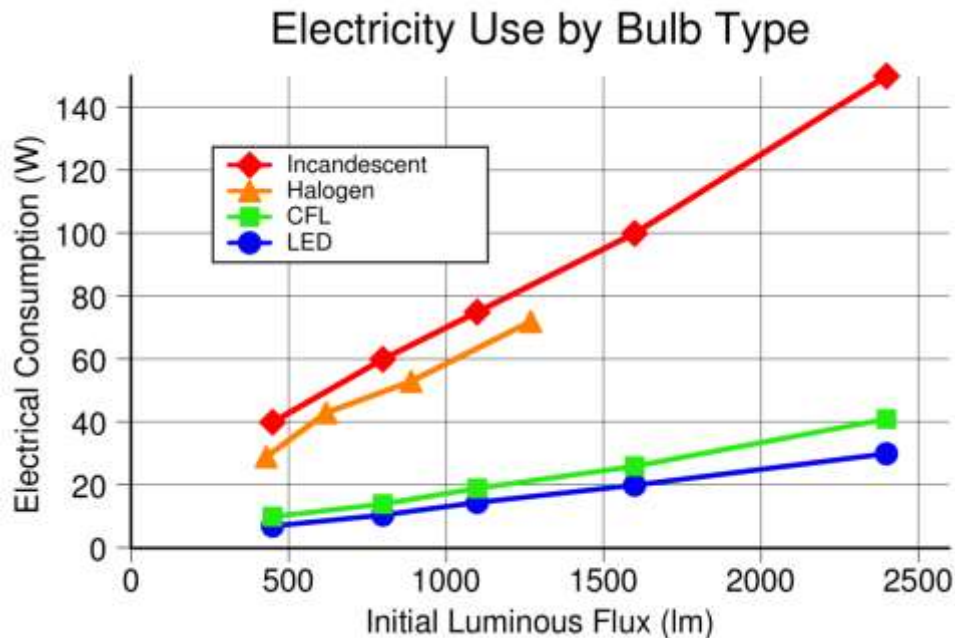


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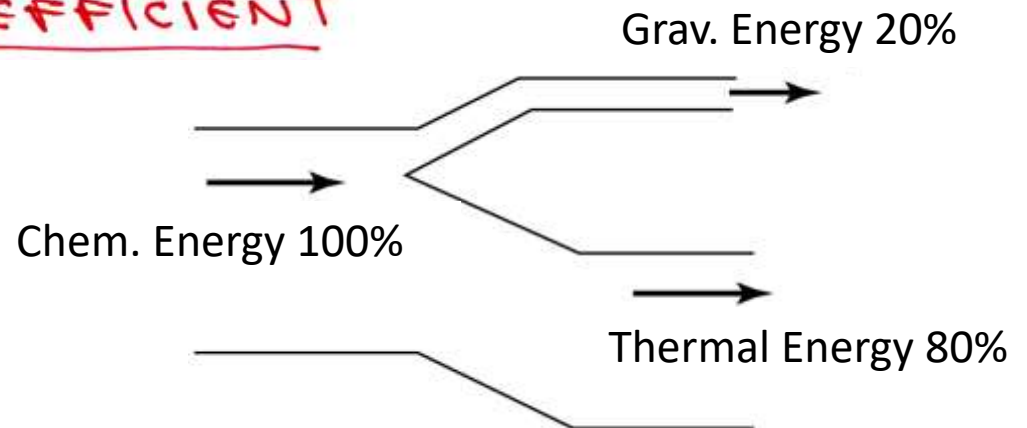
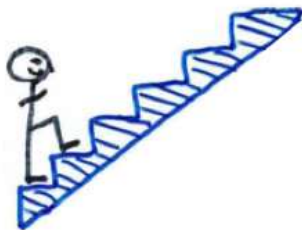
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If you walk up a flight of stairs, you have turned chemical energy (in your body) to gravitational energy.

What if you run up the stairs? The energy converted is the same, but now you are out of breath.

Why?

# Power

$$\text{power} = \frac{\text{work done}}{\text{time to do it}}$$

Power = rate at which energy is transformed

Units: 1 joule per second = 1 J/s = 1 W = 1 watt

**Table 6.1**

Power consumption of household appliances while the appliance is turned on and consuming electric energy

Appliance	Power (W)
Cooking range	12,000
Clothes dryer	5,000
Water heater	4,500
Air conditioner, window	1,600
Microwave oven	1,400
Dishwasher (incl. hot water)	1,200
Toaster	1,200
Hair dryer	1,000
Refrigerator, frostless	600
Refrigerator, not frostless	300
TV, color	350
Stereo set	100

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Another energy unit:

$$1 \text{ kilowatt-hour} = 1000 \text{ J/s} \times 3600 \text{ s} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

# Inside a Hydroelectric Power Generating Station

Kolnbrein Dam, Austria



[Video](#)



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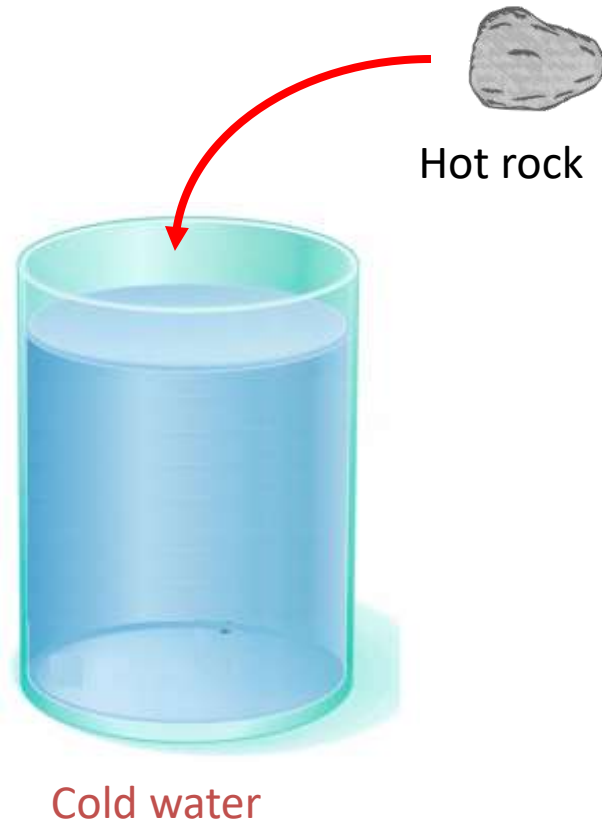
## Euler's disk video



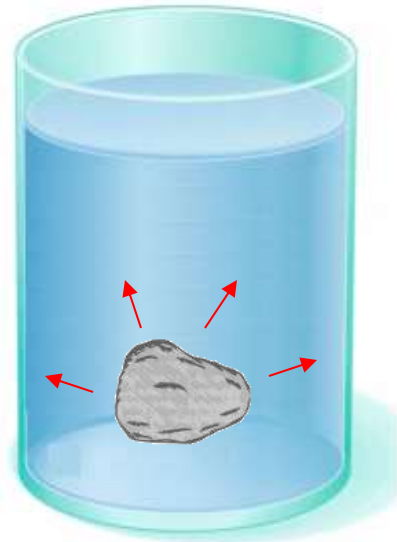
## Double pendulum



# Temperature and Heat



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Cold water

## Caloric theory

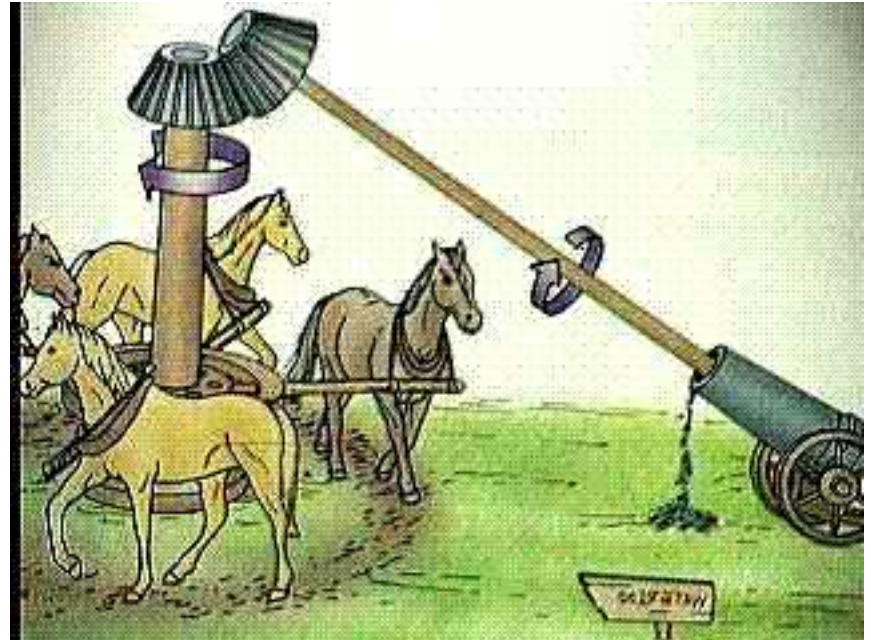
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# Evidence against caloric theory



Count Rumford  
(Benjamin Thompson)  
(American!)  
1798



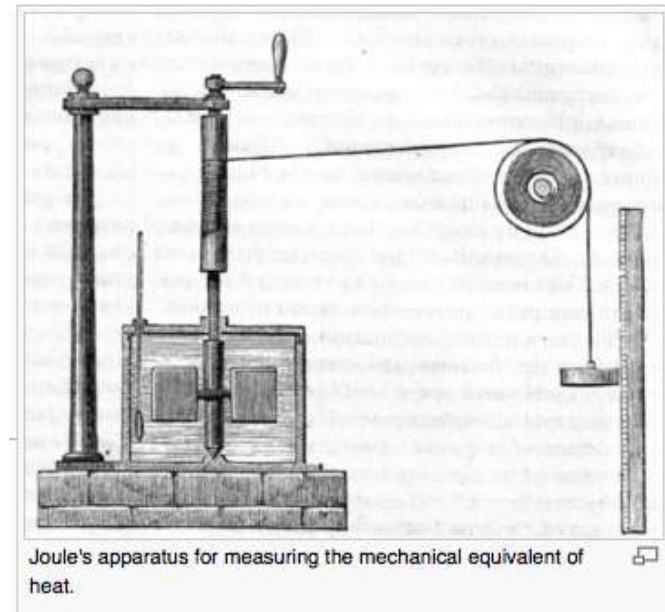
Heat generated during boring of a  
canon seems to be inexhaustible



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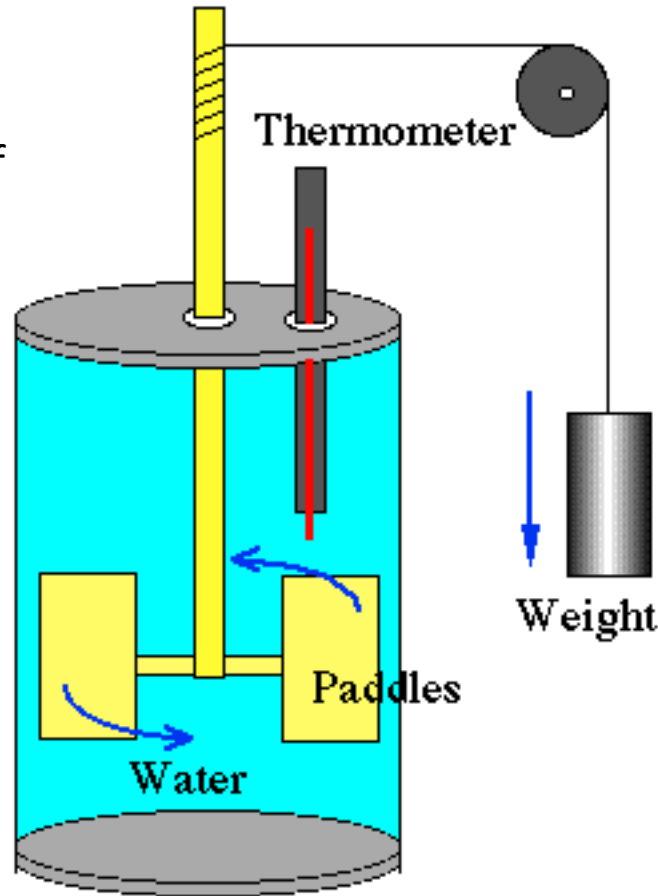
James Joule  
(English)  
circa 1850



Paddle wheel  
experiment

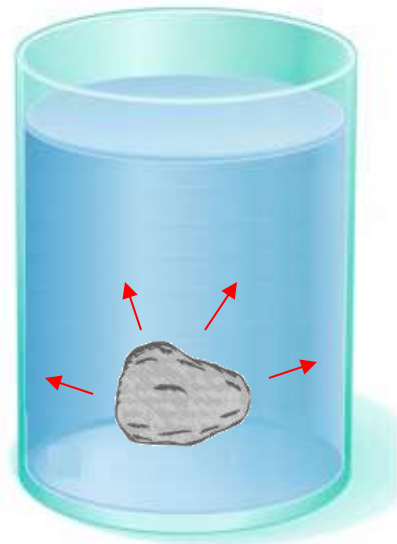
# Mechanical equivalent of heat

The measured variables (mass, height, temperature) gave one of the first accurate measures of the mechanical equivalent of heat (motion and heat are interchangeable – work generates same amount of heat/energy).



Result:  $1,000 \text{ cal} = 1 \text{ kcal} = 1 \text{ Calorie} = 4,200 \text{ J}$

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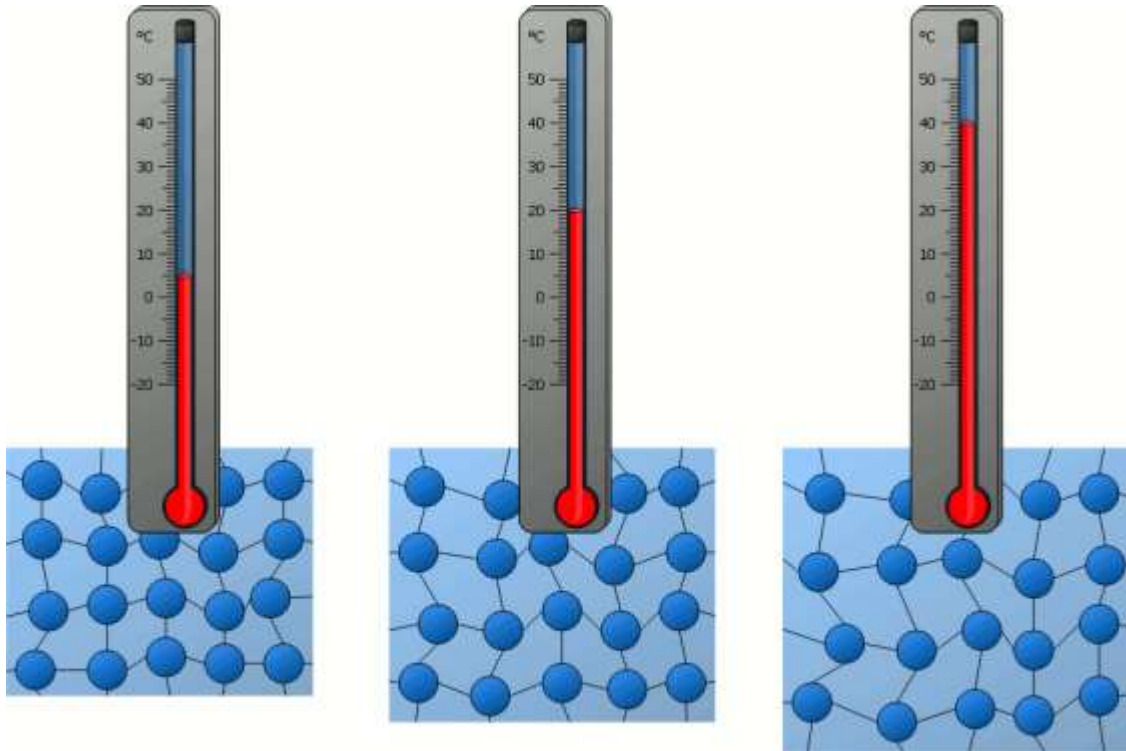
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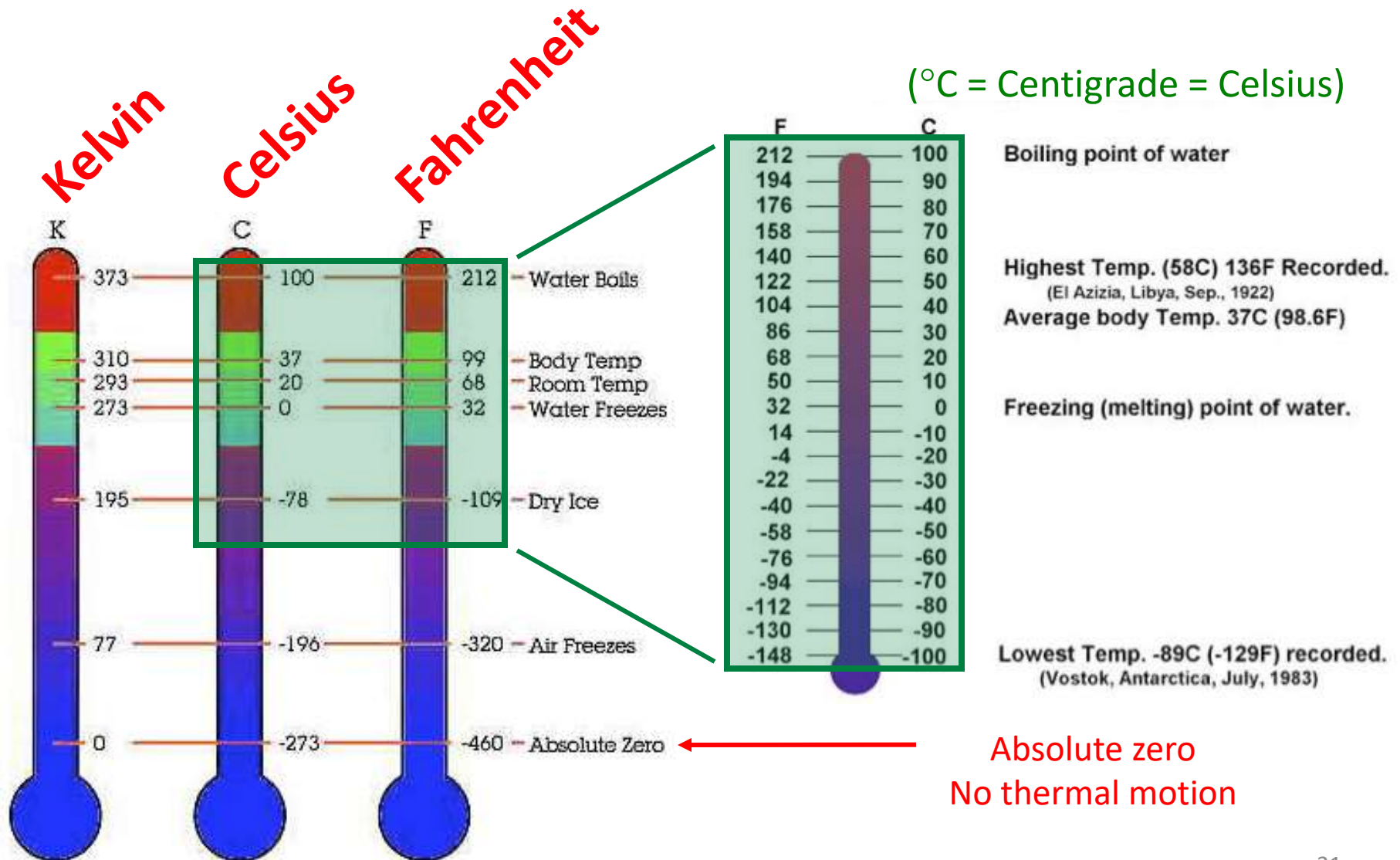
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- Thermal energy is nothing other than the **microscopic kinetic energy** of atoms and molecules
- Higher temperature is a higher degree of agitation of atoms and molecules
- “Absolute zero” would be zero motion of atoms and molecules → **Never happens.**

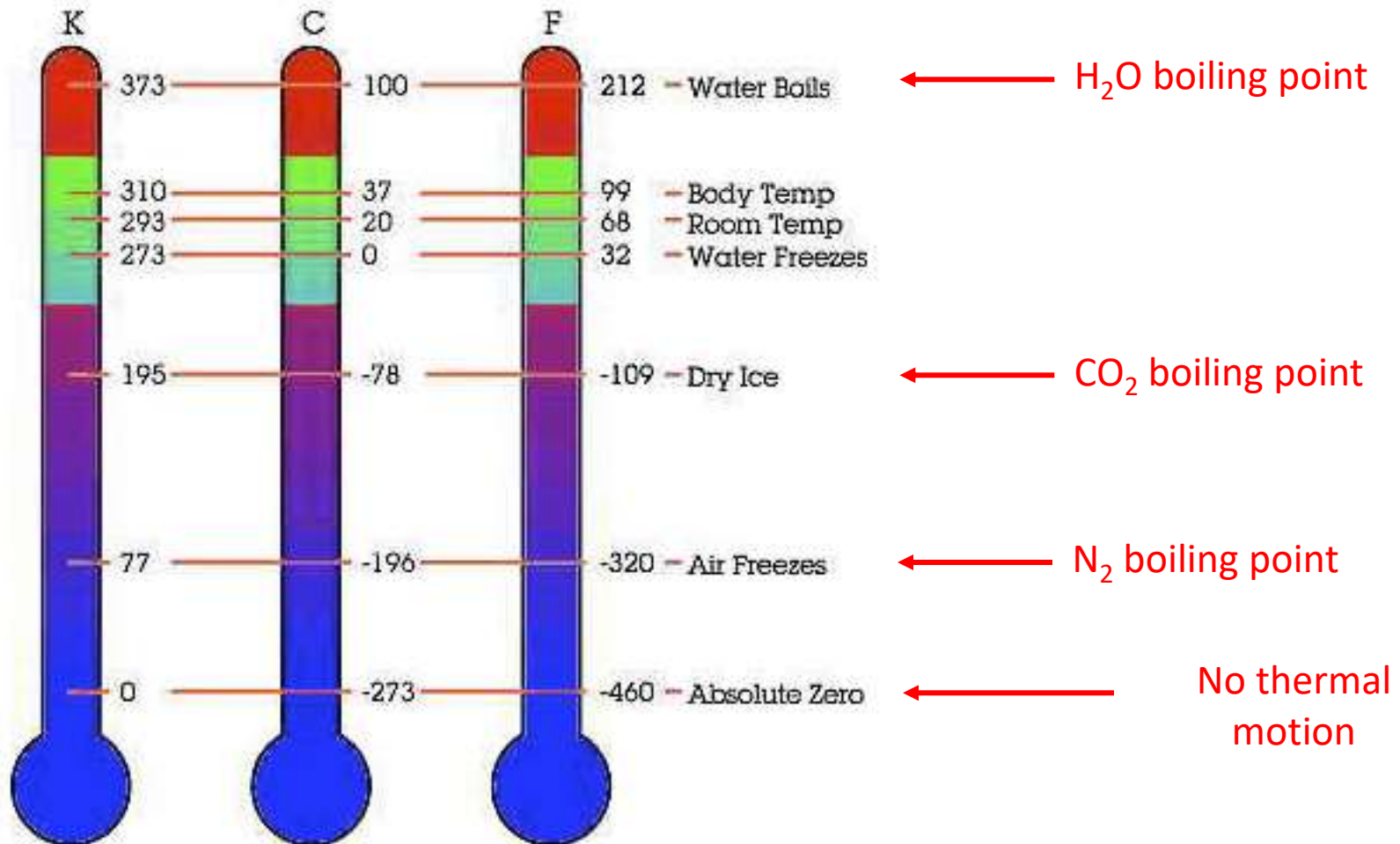
# Temperature as thermal motion



# Temperature scales



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	Kelvin	Celsius	Fahrenheit
Our Sun	6000	5727	10445
Carbon Boils	5100	4827	8808
Carbon Melts	3825	3552	6490
Iron Boils	3023	2750	5032
A Cool Red Star	3000	2727	4990
Iron Melts	1808	1535	2823
Water Boils	373	100	212
Water Freezes	273	0	32
Oxygen Boils	90	-183	
Oxygen Melts	55	-218	
Absolute Zero	0	-273	-459
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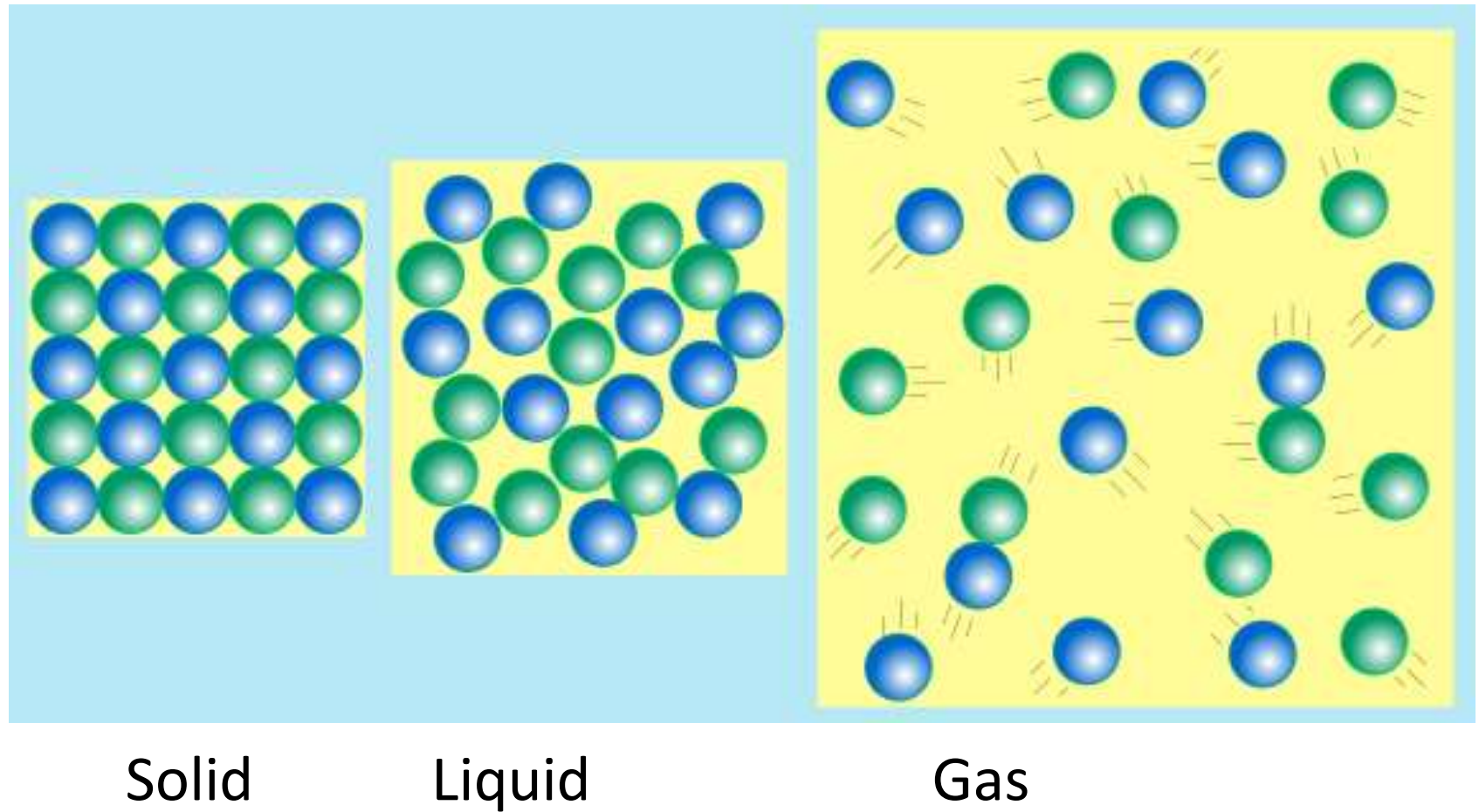
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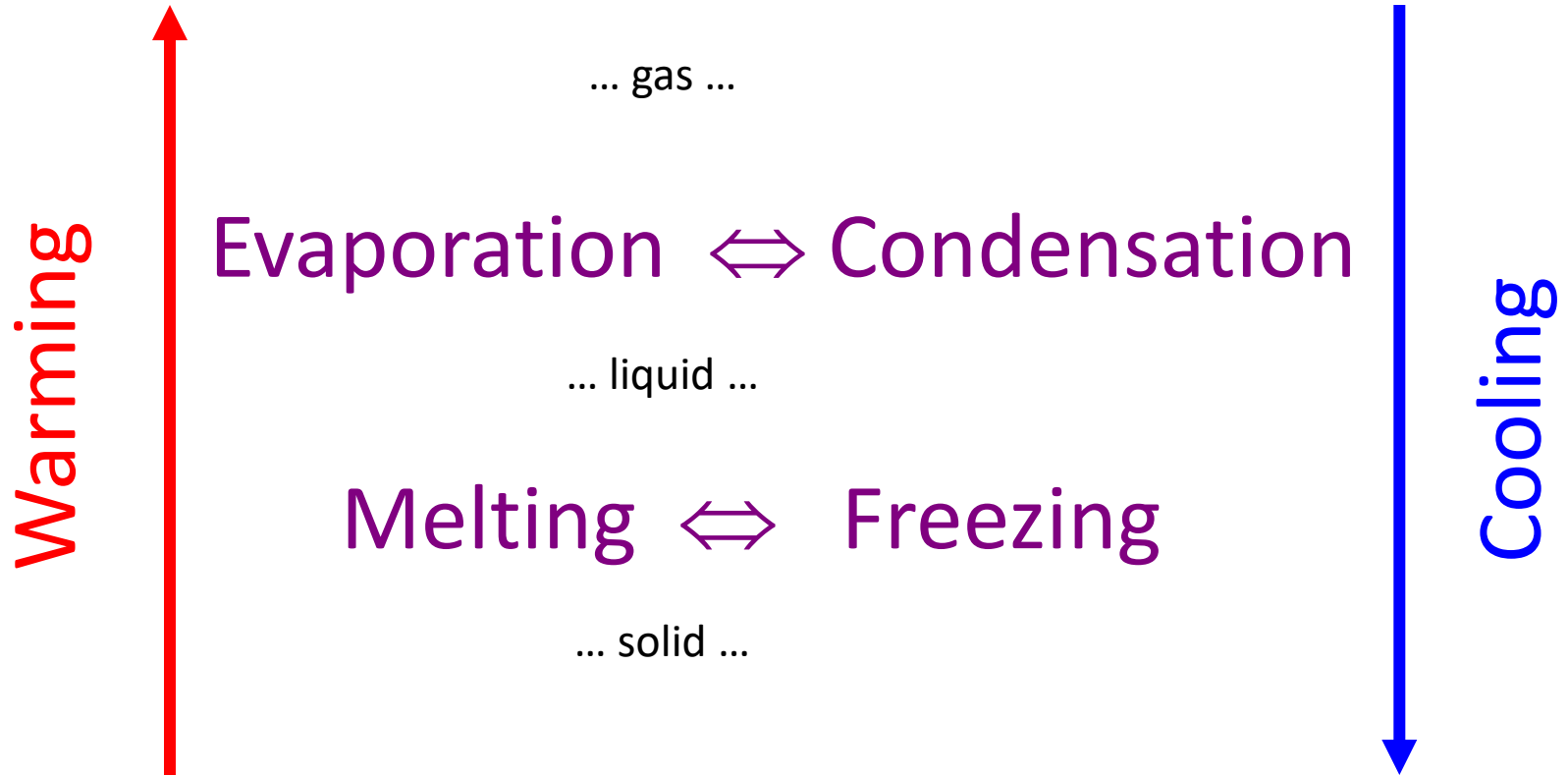
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# Three materials properties

- Thermal expansion:  
Expansion or elongation as  $T$  is increased
- Thermal conductivity:  
Rate of transfer of heat through a material
- Specific heat:  
Amount of energy needed to increase  $T$

# Thermal expansion

Expansion or elongation as  $T$  is increased



Cold



Warm



Hot

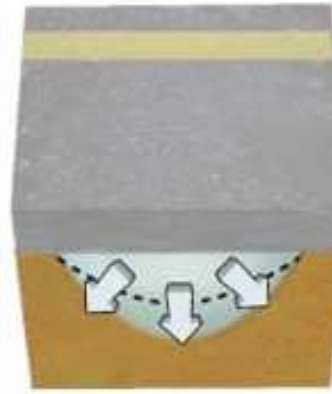
# Expansion upon phase change: Pot Holes



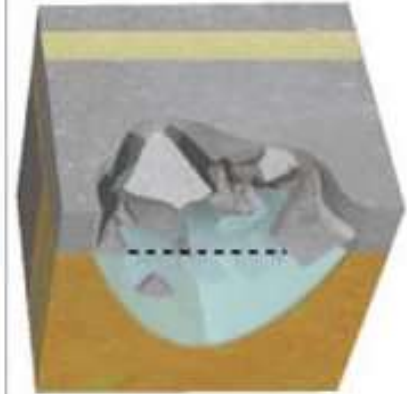
Water expands when it freezes!  
Ice is less dense than the water  
from which it freezes.



- 1** Water rises through soil and freezes under the road.



- 2** Freezing water expands in soil. Above-freezing temperatures thaw frozen water, creating a cavity.

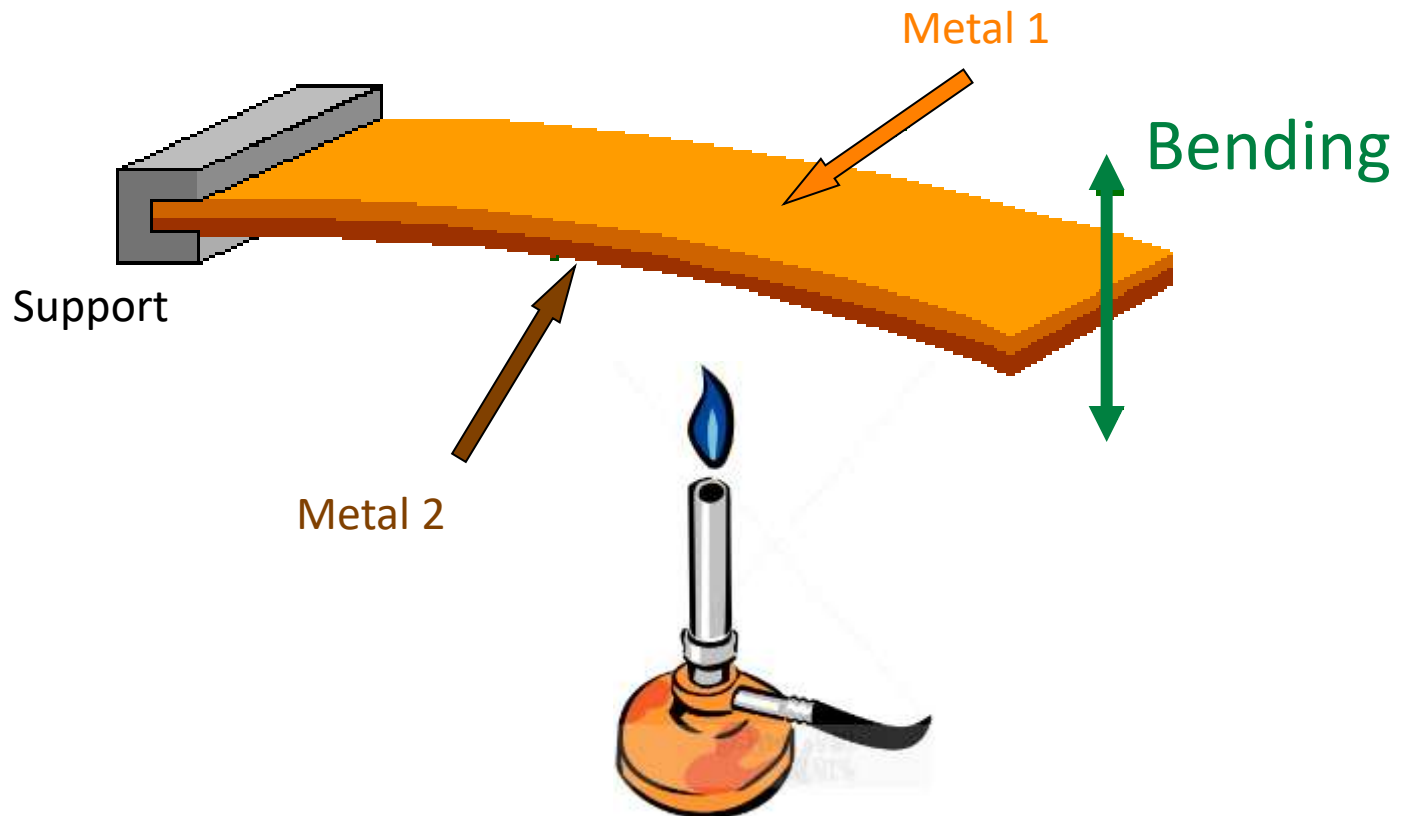


- 3** Weight from vehicles causes asphalt to collapse. Refreezing and thawing of water can worsen a pothole.



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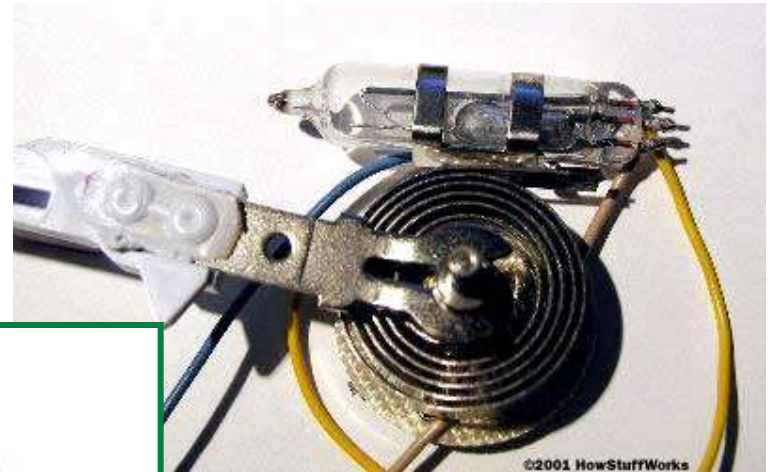
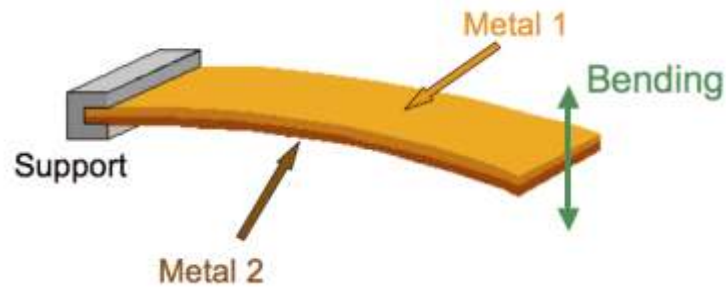
## Bi-metallic strip



## Video: Bi-metallic strip

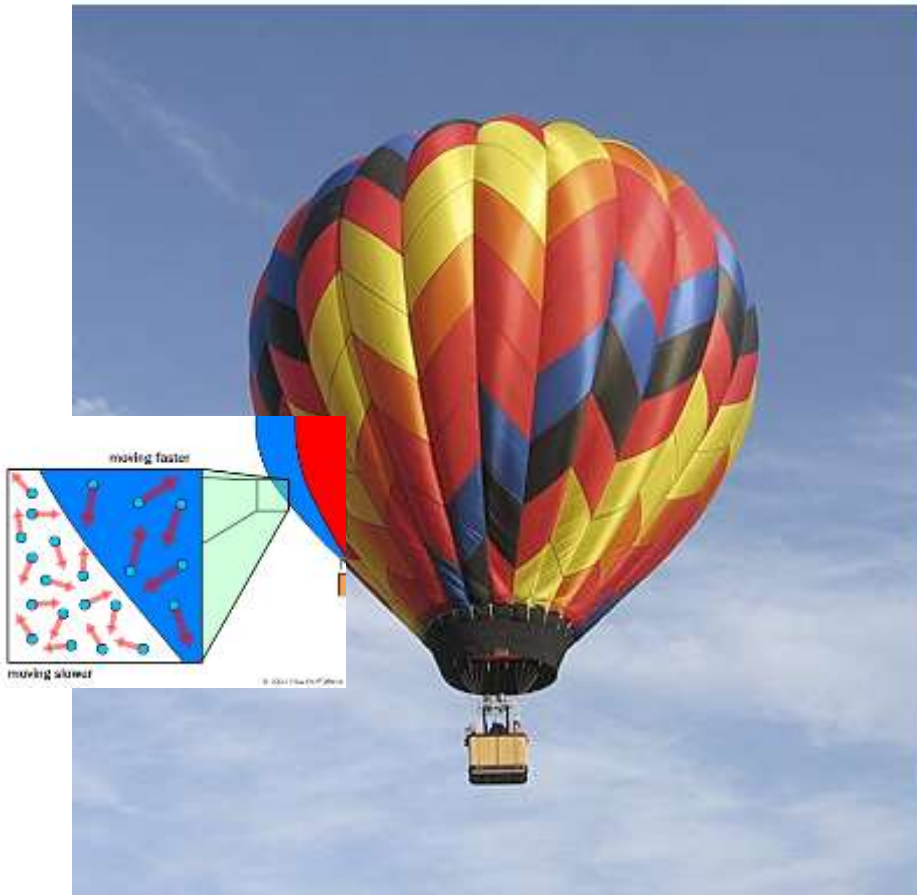


# Thermal expansion: bimetallic strip



demos

# Thermal Expansion of a Gas



Can a hot air balloon lift more on a hot day or a cold day?

## Video: Cooling balloon



# Thermal expansion of a liquid

## Galileo thermometer

Kerosene liquid



Kerosene vapor

Temp. increases  
↓  
Kerosene expands  
↓  
Boyancy reduced  
↓  
Swimmers fall

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