

Introdução à Eco-Seleção de Materiais

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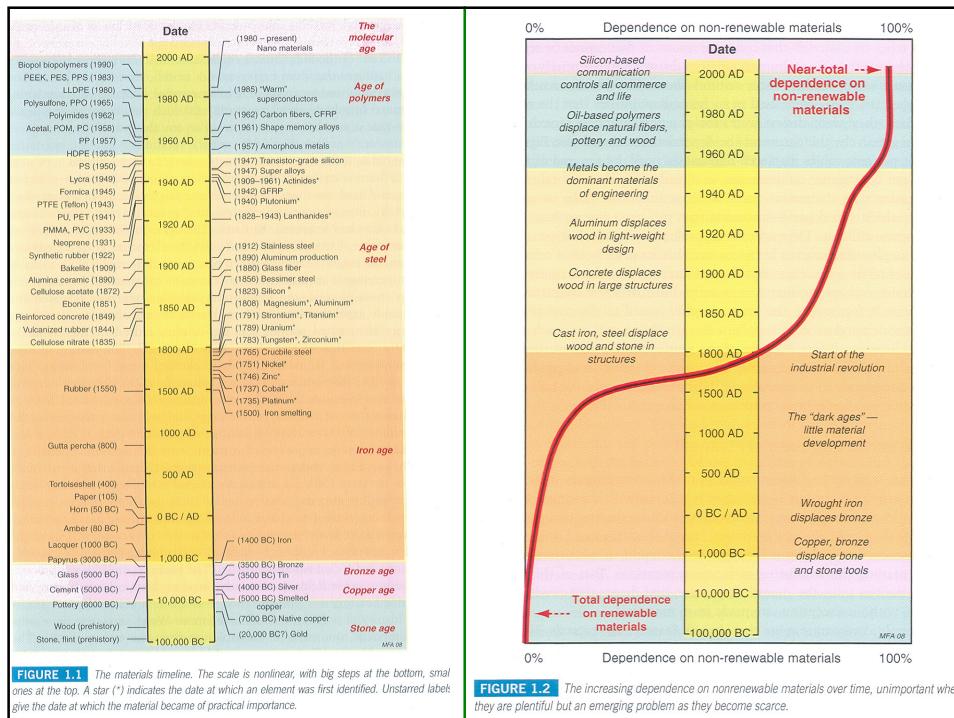
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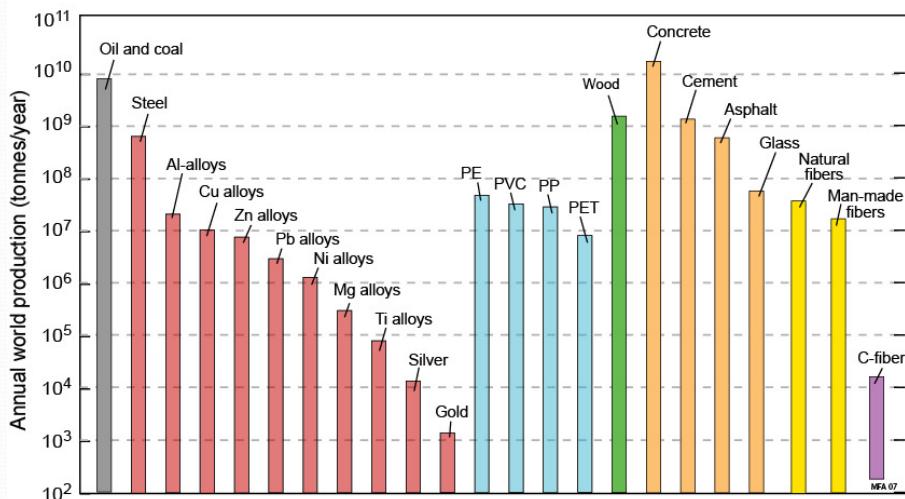
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Annual world materials consumption

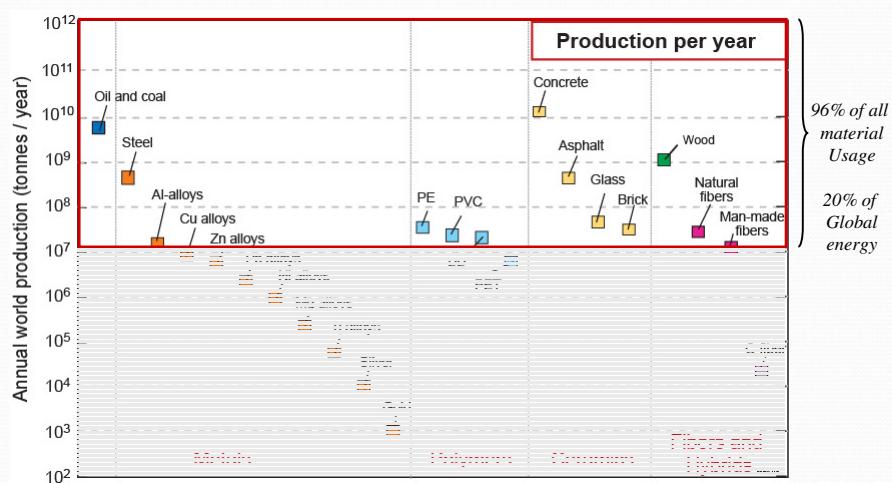


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Material production

Concern 1: Resource consumption, dependence

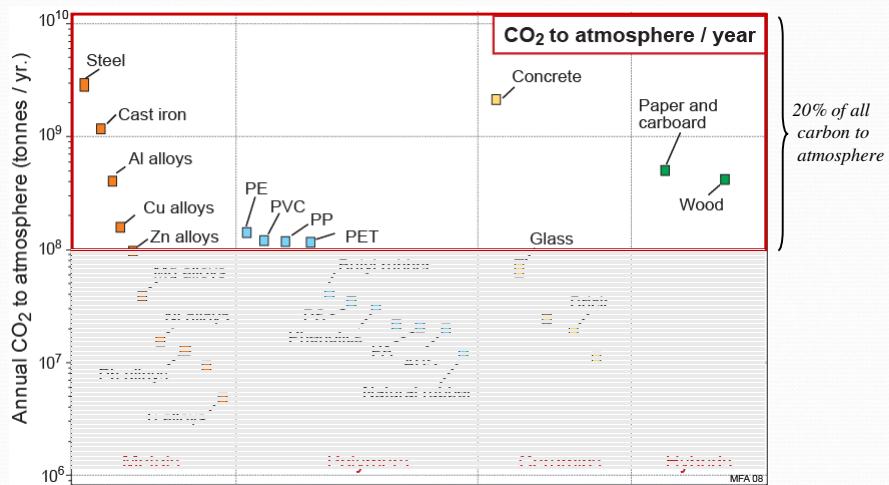


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Carbon to atmosphere

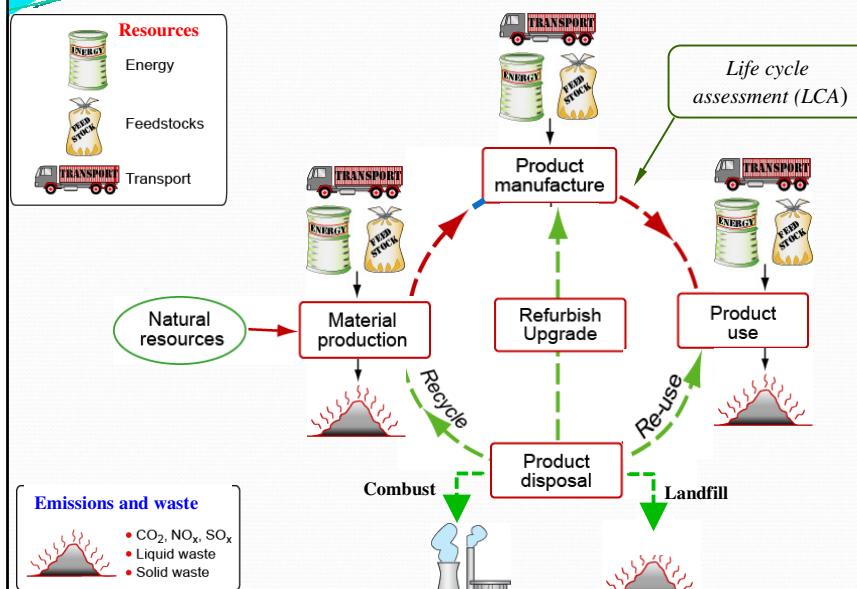
Concern 2: Energy consumption, CO₂ emission



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Product life-cycle



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Life-cycle assessment (LCA)

Typical LCA output:

- Resource consumption
- Energy consumption over life
- Water consumption
- Emission of CO₂, NO_x, SO_x etc
- Particulates
- Toxic residues
- Acidification..Ozone depletion..

Environmental
“stressors”

Roll up into an
Eco-indicator ?

- Full LCA *time consuming, expensive*, and requires great *detail* and even then is subject to uncertainty
- What is a designer supposed to do with these numbers?
- LCA is a *product assessment tool*, not a *design tool*

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What is embodied energy of a material?

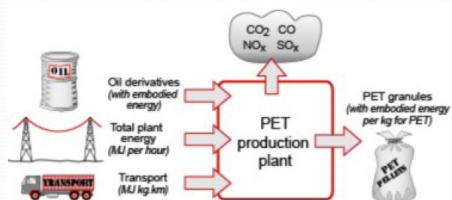


Figure 1. Input/output diagram for the production of PET granules.

definition and measurement. is the energy other than that from bio-fuels that is committed in making a unit weight of material from its ores and feedstock.

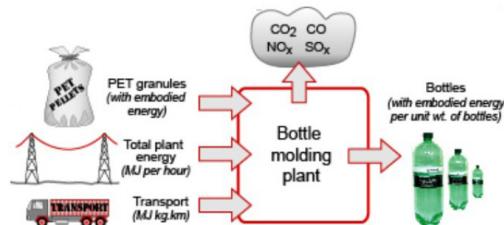
The *embodied energy* per unit weight (here, of the PET) is:

$$(H_e)_{PET} = \frac{\sum \text{Energy entering plant per year}}{\text{Mass of PET granules shipped per year}}$$

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What is embodied energy of a product?



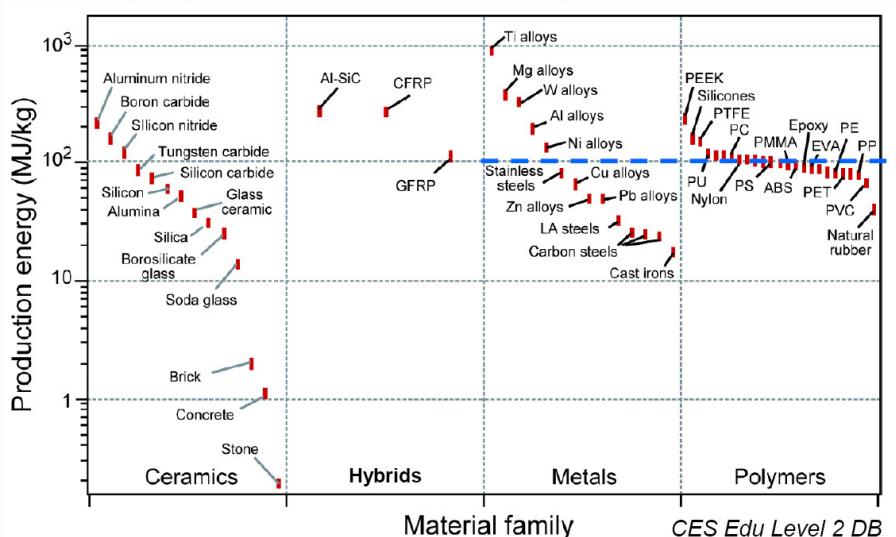
Materials are one input to a manufacturing plant. The energy and material flows are sketched as an input/output diagram in Figure 1. Granules and materials for finishing and packaging have an embodied energy. These are transported to the plant, consuming energy to do so, which in turn consumes energy to run and maintain the process equipment, provide heating, lighting, and other services. The total of these is the input energy to the plant. This, divided by the weight of usable bottles shipped is the *embodied energy of the product*:

$$(H_p)_{PET\ bottles} = \frac{\sum \text{Energy entering plant per year}}{\text{Mass of PET bottles shipped per year}}$$

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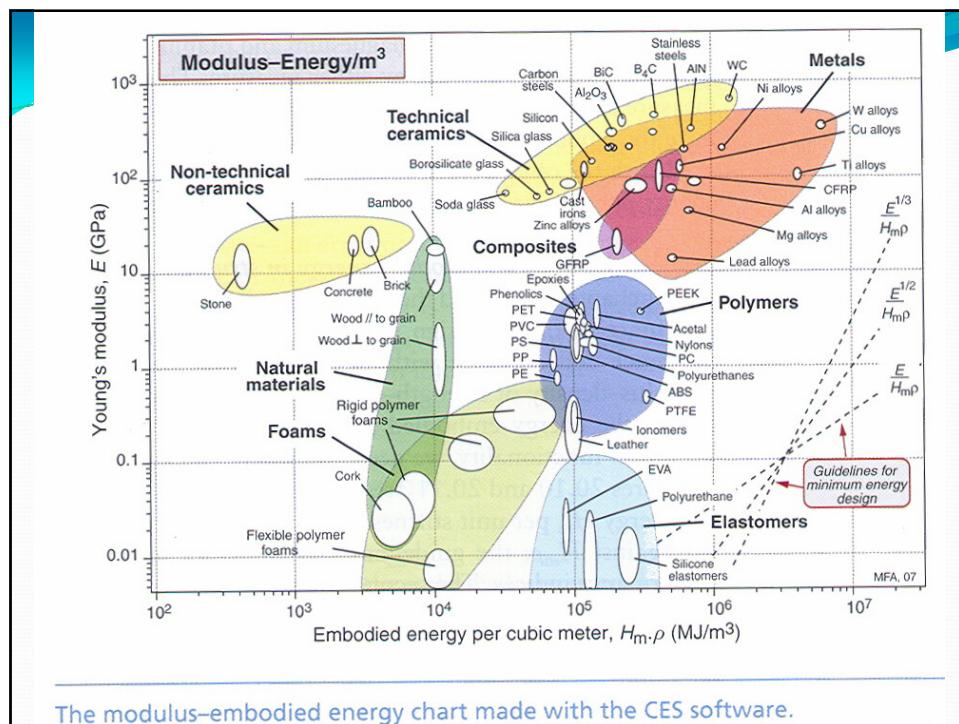
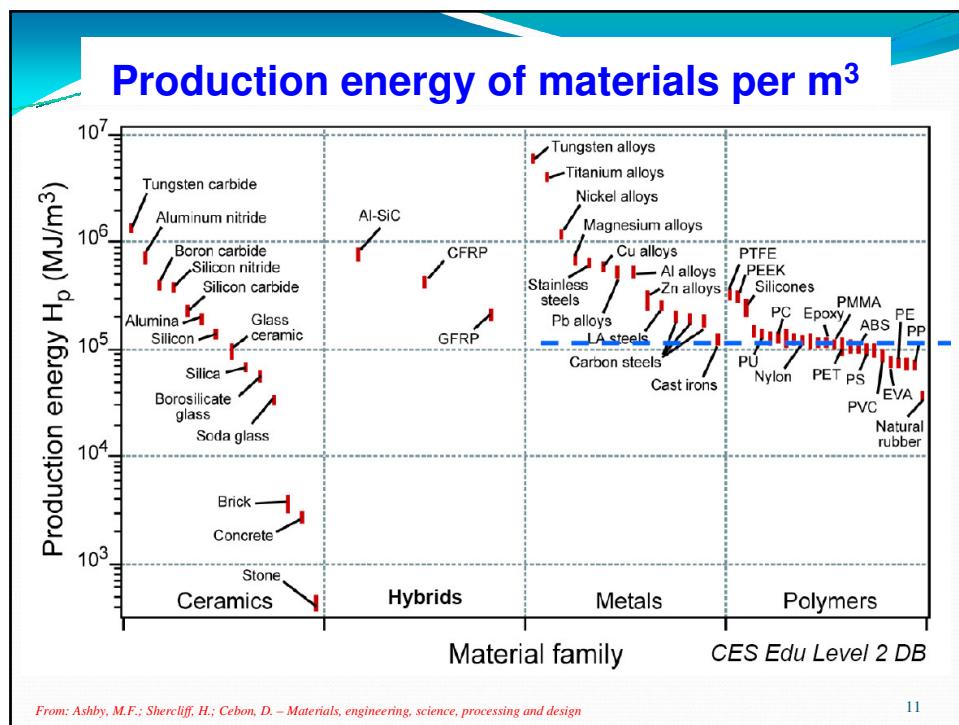
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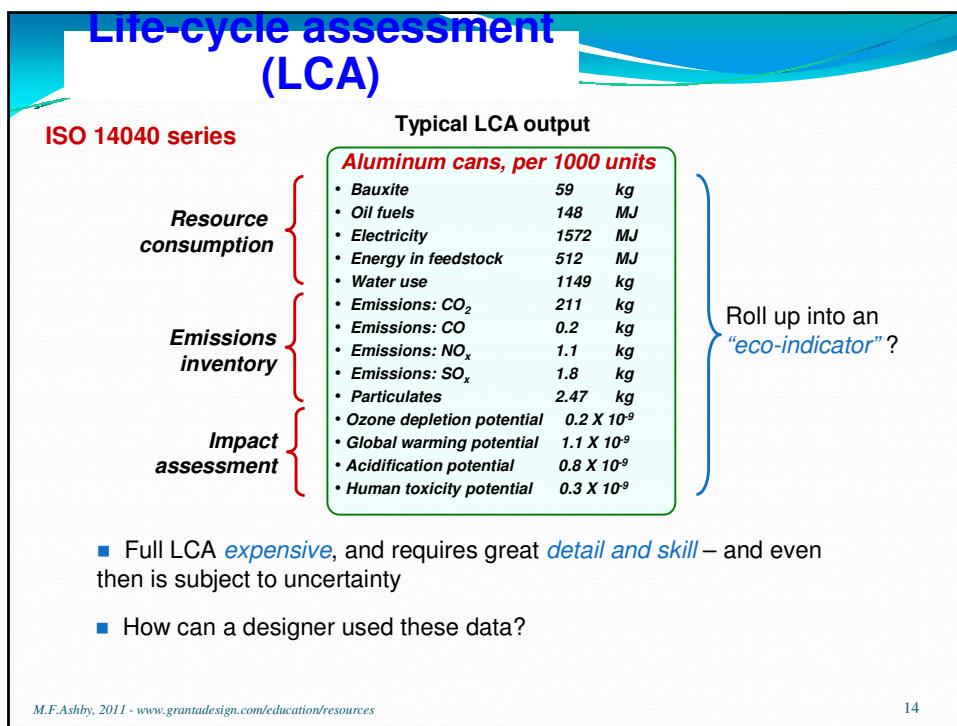
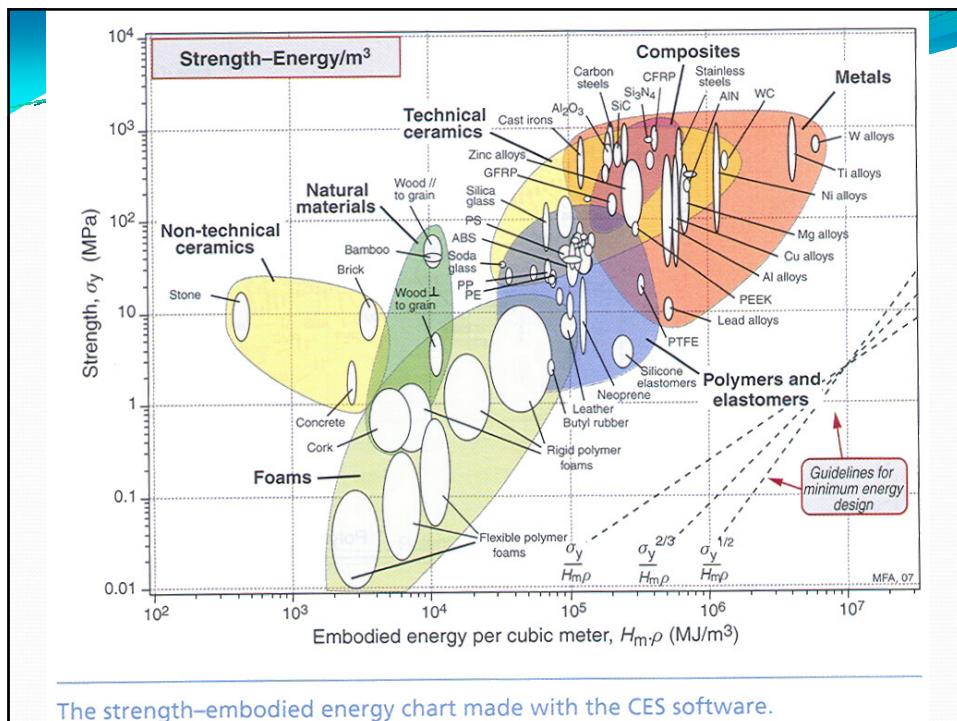
Production energy of materials per kg



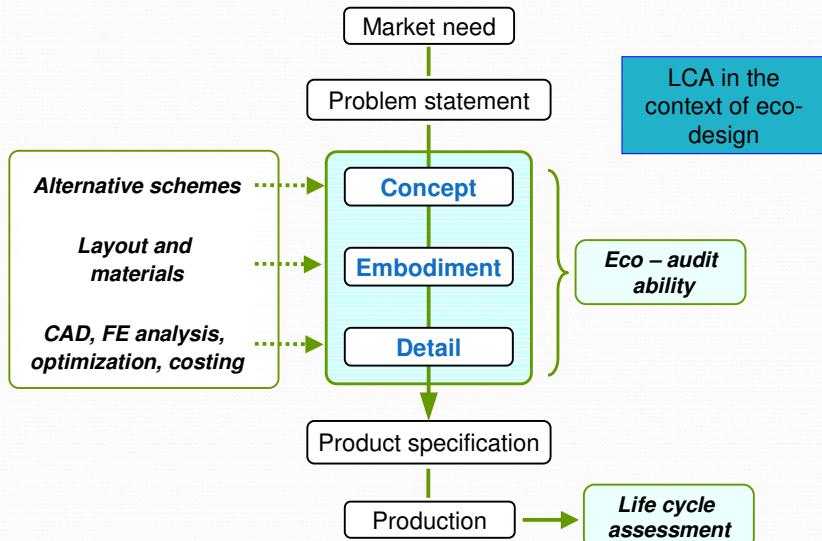
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Design guidance vs. Product assessment

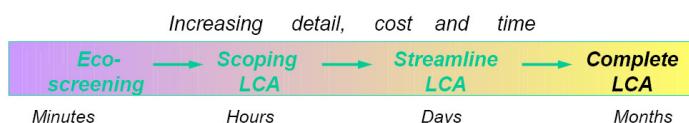


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Strategies for guiding eco-design

- **Step 1:** Seek method that combines acceptable cost burden with adequate accuracy to guide decision making – a *design tool*

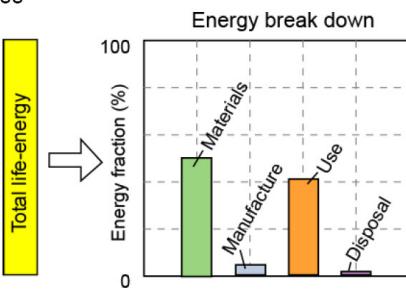


- #### ■ Step 2: Seek single measure of stress

– energy or CO₂

(ou consumo de água = “pegada hídrica”)

- #### ■ Step 3: Separate life-phases



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Why energy or CO₂?

- Kyoto Protocol (1997): international agreement to reduce greenhouse gasses
- EU directives such as the EuP directive (2006)
- Practicality: CO₂ and Energy are related and understood by the public
- Cars: use-energy and CO₂ cited



Appliances: use-energy cited

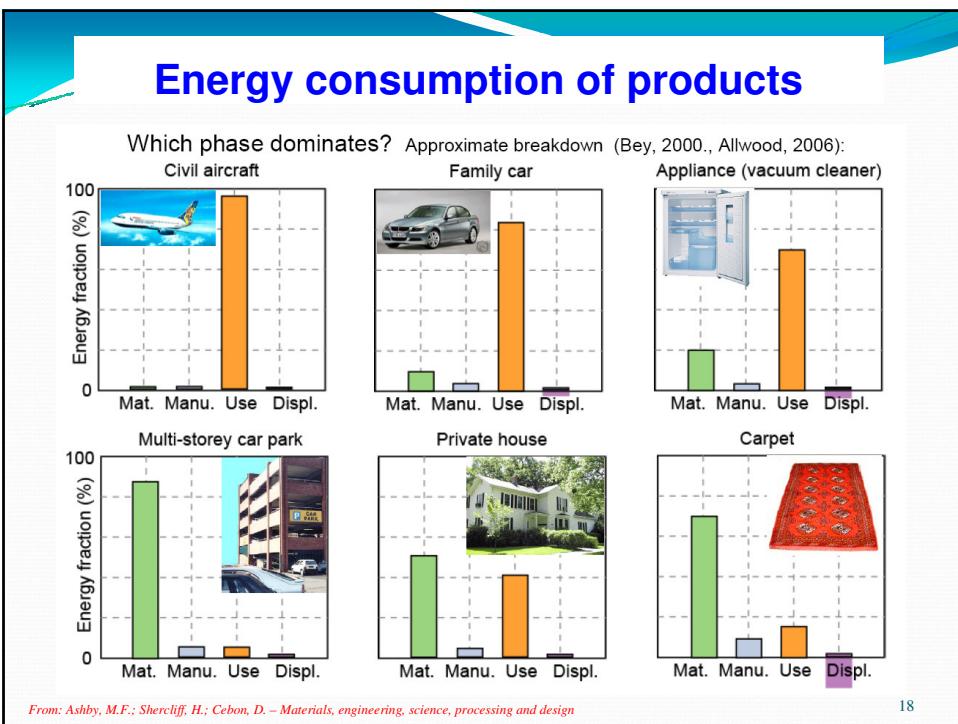


Official fuel economy figures:
Combined: 6 – 11 litre / 100km
CO₂ emissions: 158 – 276 g / km

Efficiency rating: A
Volume 0.3 m³
330 kWhr / year

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Strategies

- What should strategic tools do?

- Example: drink containers

Glass



PE



PET



Aluminum



Steel



- Aims:
 - to assess energy or CO₂ burden quickly and cheaply
 - to explore alternatives

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Strategies

Decide which phase to target

Material production?

Product manufacture?

Product use?

Product disposal?

Material production

- Minimize energy per unit of function
- Minimize CO₂ per unit of function
- Minimize indicator per unit of function

Product manufacture

- Seek minimum energy process (Seek minimum emissions process)
- (Seek minimum waste process)

Product use

- Minimum weight design
- Design to minimize heat loss
- Design to minimize electrical losses

Product disposal

- Choose recyclable materials
- Choose biodegradable materials
- Exclude toxic materials

Rational design for the environment starts with an analysis of the phase of life to be targeted. This decision then guides the method of selection to minimize the impact of the phase on the environment.

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Eco-evaluation

■ Separate the phases of life



1. Material production: the embodied energy

2. Bottle manufacture: the processing energy

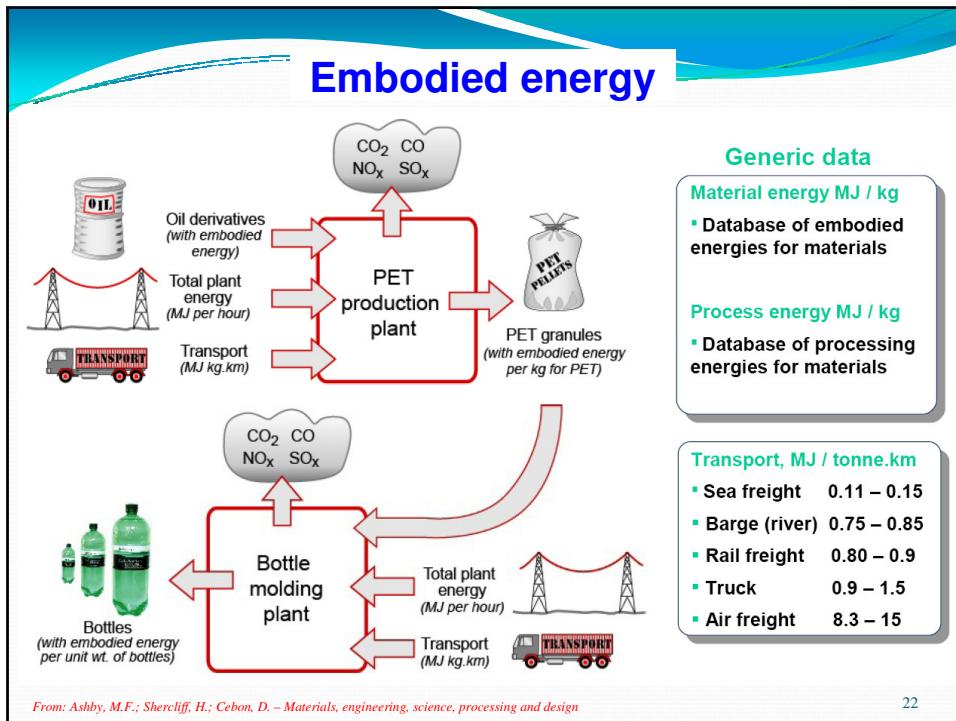
3. Delivery and use: transport and refrigeration

4. Disposal: collection, recycling, energy recovery

■ To assess, need both *local and generic data*.

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Use energy and disposal



1. Material production: the **embodied energy**



2. Bottle manufacture: the **processing energy**



3. Delivery and use: **transport and refrigeration**

4. Disposal: **collection, recycling, energy recovery**

Generic data

Transport, MJ / tonne.km

▪ As before

Refrigeration, MJ/m³.day

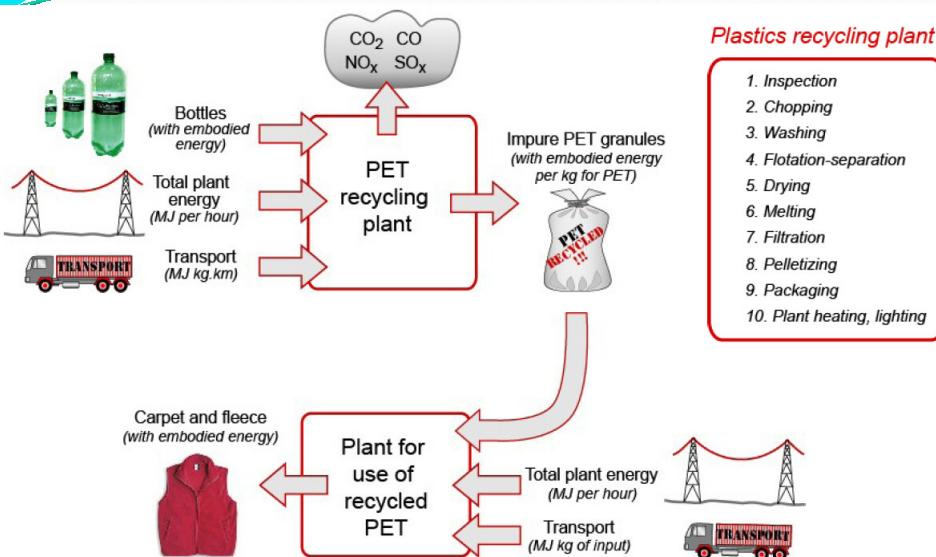
▪ Refrigeration (4°C) 10.5

▪ Freezing (-5°C) 13.0

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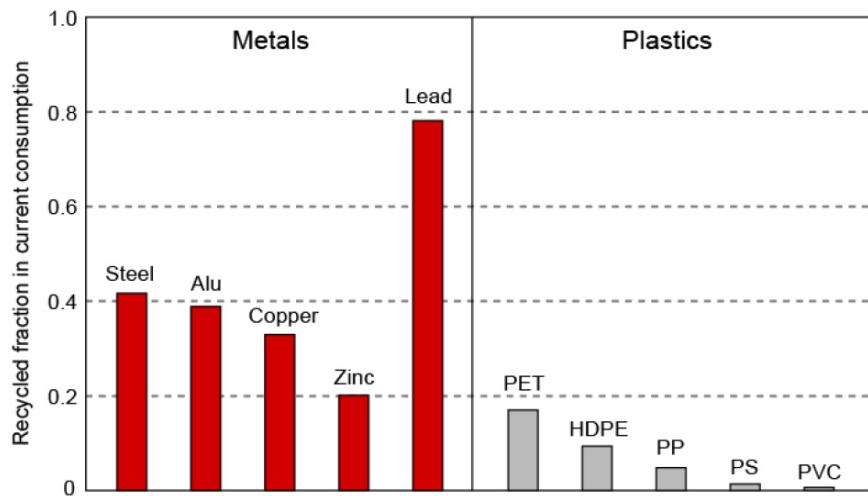
Disposal / Recycling – the problems



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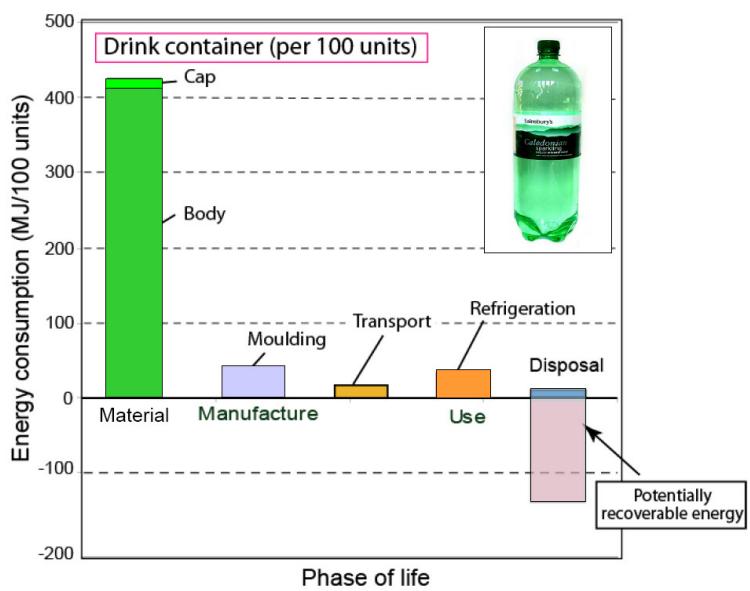
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Disposal / Recycling



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Energy breakdown for PET bottle



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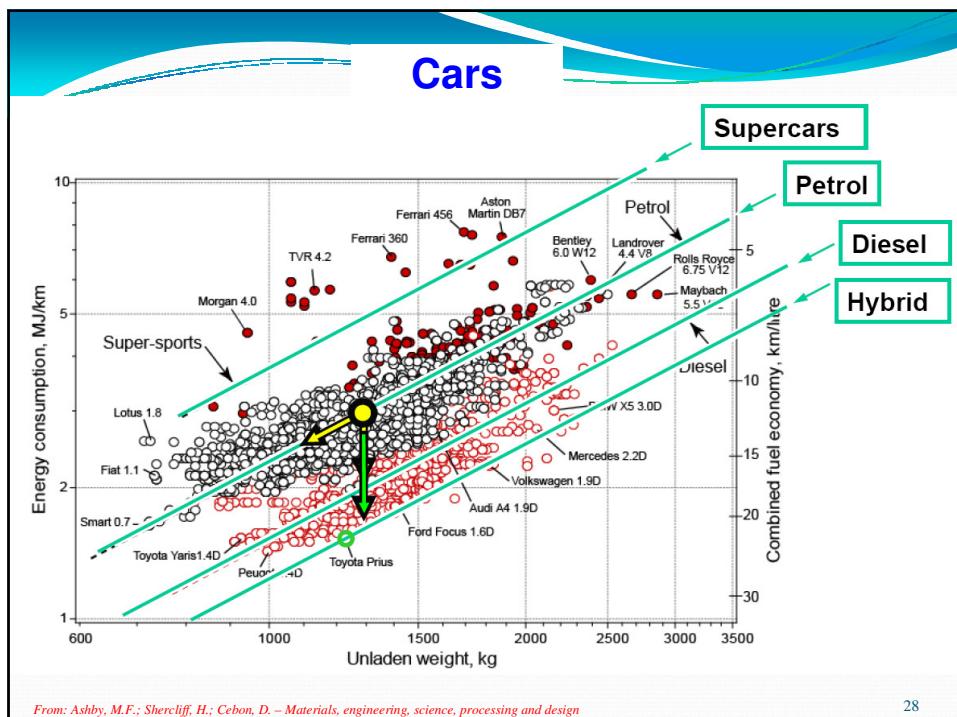
Embodied energy for unity of function

Function: contain 1 litre of fluid

	Glass	PE	PET	Aluminum	Steel	
Mass	325	38	25	20	45	g
Mass/litre	433	38	62	45	102	g/litre
Emb. energy	14	80	84	200	23	MJ/kg
Energy/litre	8.2	3.2	5.4	9.0	2.4	MJ/litre

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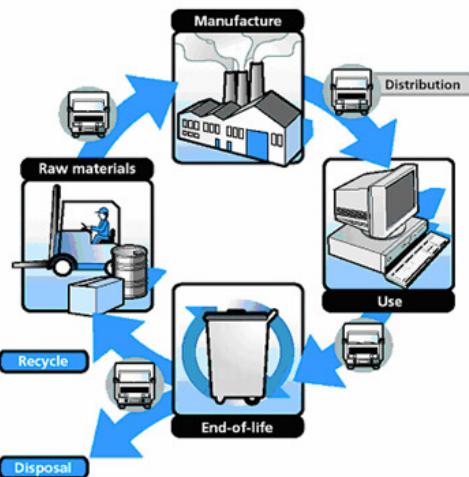
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What is eco-design?

- Costs and impacts across the life cycle
- Resource productivity
 - Get more out with fewer inputs and less waste
- Less hazardous materials/wastes
- Marketing benefits



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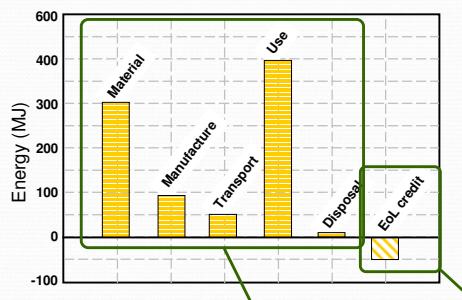
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Eco-audit design

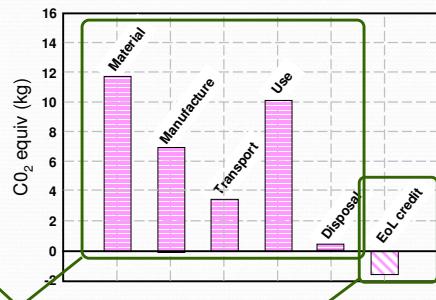
Need: Fast **Eco-audit** with sufficient precision to guide decision-making

▪ **1 resource – energy (oil equivalent)** **1 emission – CO₂ equivalent**

▪ **Distinguish life-phases**



This is the life-energy and life-CO₂ (as prescribed in ISO 14040 and PAS 2050)



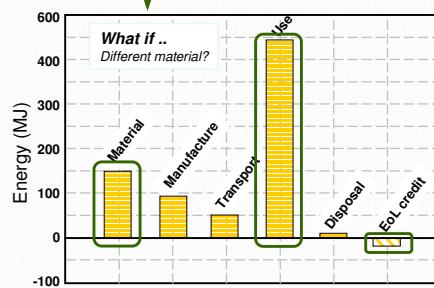
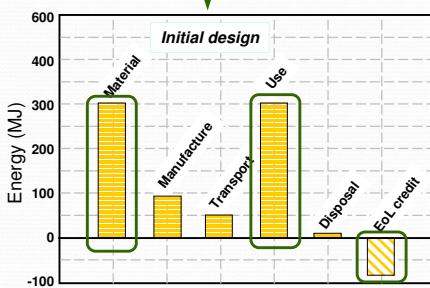
These are potential benefits (could be recovered at end of life)

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Eco-aware design: the strategy (1)

The steps



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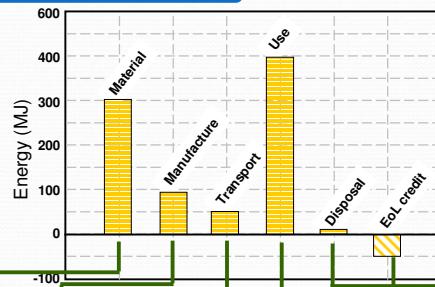
Eco-aware design: the strategy (2)

The steps

Look at the first three steps



Use eco-audit to identify design objective



Material

- Minimize:

 - material in part
 - embodied energy
 - CO_2 / kg

Manufacture

- Minimize:

 - process energy
 - CO_2 / kg

Transport

- Minimize:

 - mass
 - distance
 - transport type

Use

- Minimize:

 - mass
 - thermal loss
 - electrical loss

End of life

- Select:

 - non-toxic materials
 - recyclable materials

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The main points

Scoping LCA gives quick, approximate “portrait” of energy / CO₂ burden of products. A practical tool for assessing eco-burden and guiding (re)-design.

Separate the life-phases

- Material
- Manufacture
- Use
- Disposal

Base material choice on **relative contributions to stress**

Consider system dependence

- Optimise within one concept
- Explore alternative concepts

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The CES Eco-audit tool

User inputs

User interface

- Bill of materials
- Manufacturing process
- Transport needs
- Duty cycle
- End of life choice



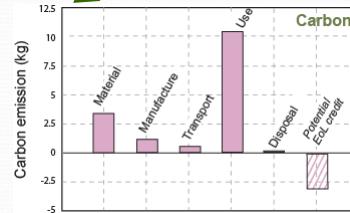
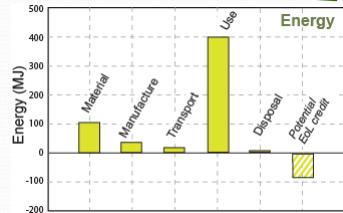
Data from CES

Eco database

- Embodied energies
- Process energies
- CO₂ footprints
- Unit transport energies
- Recycling / combustion

Eco audit model

Outputs (including tabular data)



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Jug kettle



2 kW jug kettle

- Made SE Asia
- Air freight to UK
- Life: 3 years

Bill of materials and processes						
Qty.	Component name	Material	Recycled content	Mass [kg]	Primary process	End of life
1	Kettle body	■ Polypropylene (PP)	Virgin (0%)	0.86	Polymer molding	Recycle
1	Heating element	■ Nickel-chromium alloys	Virgin (0%)	0.026	Wire drawing	Recycle
1	Casing, heating element	■ Stainless steel	Virgin (0%)	0.09	Rough rolling, forging	Recycle
1	Internal insulation	■ Alumina	Virgin (0%)	0.03	Incl. in material value	Landfill
1	Thermostat	■ Copper alloys	Virgin (0%)	0.02	Rough rolling, forging	Recycle
1	Plug body	■ Phenolics	Virgin (0%)	0.037	Polymer molding	Landfill
1	Plug pins	■ Brass	Virgin (0%)	0.03	Extrusion, foil rolling	Recycle
1	Cable sheath, 1 meter	■ Natural rubber (NR)	Virgin (0%)	0.06	Polymer molding	Landfill
1	Cable core, 1 meter	■ Copper	Virgin (0%)	0.015	Wire drawing	Recycle
1	Packaging, foam	■ Rigid Polymer Foam (MD)	Virgin (0%)	0.015	Polymer molding	Landfill
1	Packaging, cardboard	■ Paper and cardboard	Virgin (0%)	0.125	Incl. in material value	Recycle
1	Residual components	■ Polycarbonate (PC)	Virgin (0%)	0.04	Polymer molding	Downcycle

Transport

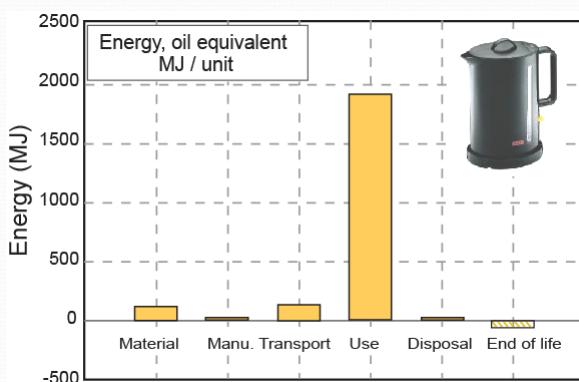
- 12,000 km, air freight
- 250 km 14 tonne truck

Use

- 6 minutes per day
- 300 days per year
- 3 years

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Eco-audit: jug kettle



What do we learn?

- Little gained by change of material for its own sake
- Much gained by insulation – double wall with foam or vacuum
- Or make hot water on the fly – only as much as needed

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Sustainability



**ENVIRONMENTAL CARE
(PLANET)**

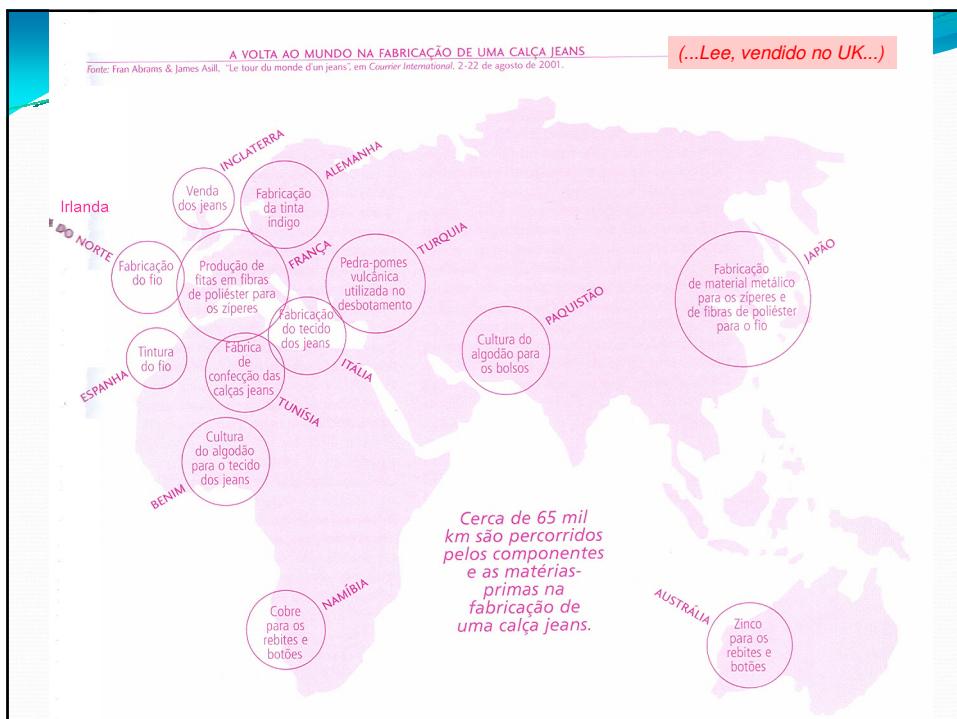
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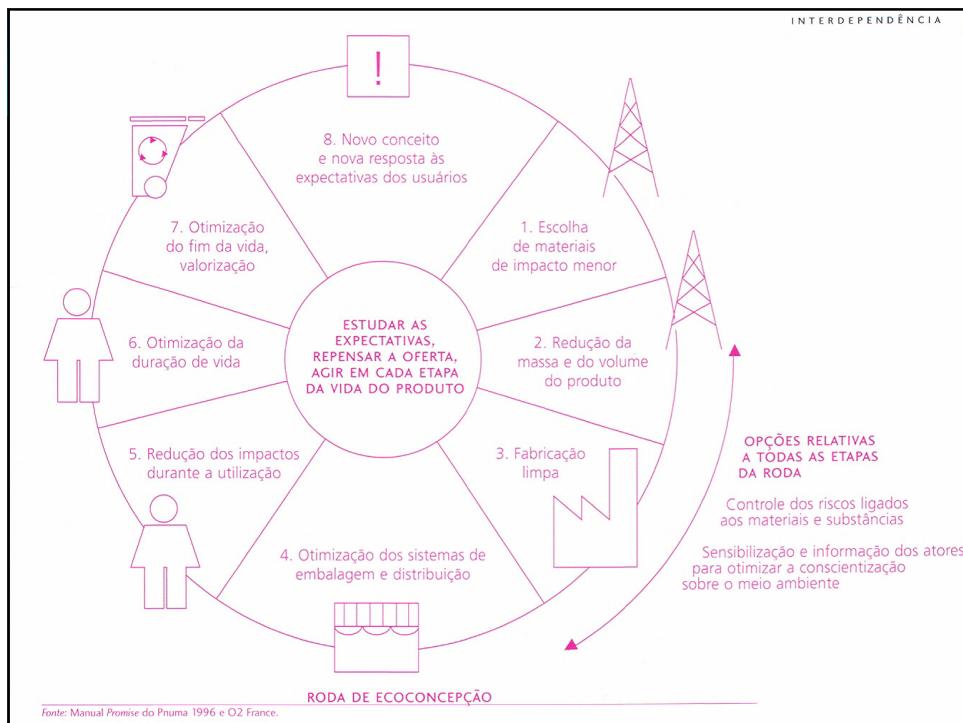
**SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
(PEOPLE)**

*Em português: desenvolvimento sustentável
Em francês: développement durable*

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