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THERMODYNAMICS QUALIFYING EXAM

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OPEN BOOK (only one book allowed) & CLOSED NOTES

Answer all four questions

All questions have equal weight

TIME: 3.0 hrs

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• Take any required property from your book, approximate values if necessary.

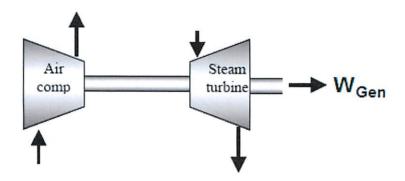
• If you make any assumption to reach a solution state it clearly

Question # 1a

An adiabatic air compressor is to be powered by a direct-coupled adiabatic steam turbine that is also driving a generator, as shown in the figure below. Steam enters the turbine at 12.5 MPa and 500°C at a rate of 25 kg/s and exits at 10 kPa and a quality of 0.92. Air enters the compressor at 98 kPa and 295 K at a rate of 10 kg/s and exits at 1 MPa and 620 K.

Determine:

- i) The net power developed by the steam turbine,
- ii) The net power consumed by the compressor and
- iii) The net power delivered to the generator by the turbine.



Question #1b

Refrigerant 134a undergoes a closed process in a piston –cylinder device under the condition pvⁿ=constant. The initial and final states of the process are:

State 1:
$$T_1 = -10^{0}$$
C & $p_1 = 200$ kPa

State 2:
$$T_2 = 50^{\circ}$$
C & $p_2 = 1000$ kPa

Determine:

- i) The work transfer for the process in kJ/kg
- ii) The heat transfer for the process in kJ/kg
- iii) Sketch the process on a p-v diagram.

Question #2a

Air at 500 kPa and 400 K enters an adiabatic nozzle at a velocity of 30 m/s and leaves at 300 kPa and 319 m/s. For enthalpy and entropy values use variable values from the tables.

Determine:

- i) The exit temperature,
- ii) The change in entropy
- iii) Sketch the process on the T-S diagram

Question #2b

Consider a non-insulated mixing chamber. Liquid water at 200 kPa, 20°C and 2.5 kg/s; and superheated steam at 200 kPa and 150°C enter the chamber and mix. The chamber is estimated to lose heat to the surrounding air at 25°C at a rate of 1200 kJ/min. The mixture leaves the mixing chamber at 200 kPa and 60°C.

Determine:

- i) The mass flow rate of the superheated steam and
- ii) The rate of entropy generation during this mixing process.

3. Air at 35C, 100kPa, 10% relative humidity passes through a chamber into which cooling water at 15 C is sprayed in a steady state steady flow process. The amount of water added is such that when it evaporates into the air stream, the exiting air-water vapor mixture will be 25 C, 100kPa. Calculate the exiting relative humidity.

4. An unknown hydrocarbon fuel is burned with air and a volumetric analysis of the combustion process yields the following percent composition on a dry basis.

$$CO_2 = 10.5\%$$

$$O_2 = 5.3\%$$

$$N_2 = 84.2 \%$$

Determine the composition of fuel on a mass basis and the percentage of theoretical air used in the combustion process.

AE Solutions 1-a

Cengel & Boles 5th ed Problem 5.184

$$\begin{array}{l} P_{3} = 12.5 \text{ MPa} \\ T_{3} = 500 ^{\circ}\text{C} \end{array} \right\} h_{3} = 3343.6 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ T_{1} = 295 \text{ K} \longrightarrow h_{1} = 295.17 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ T_{2} = 620 \text{ K} \longrightarrow h_{2} = 628.07 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ P_{4} = 10 \text{ kPa} \\ x_{4} = 0.92 \end{array} \right\} h_{4} = h_{f} + x_{4}h_{fg} = 191.81 + (0.92)(2392.1) = 2392.5 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ \text{Compressor:} \quad \dot{W}_{\text{comp, in}} + \dot{m}_{\text{air}}h_{1} = \dot{m}_{\text{air}}h_{2} \longrightarrow \dot{W}_{\text{comp, in}} = \dot{m}_{\text{air}}(h_{2} - h_{1}) \end{array}$$

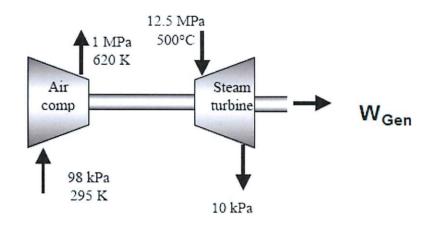
Turbine: $\dot{m}_{\text{steam}}h_3 = \dot{W}_{\text{turb, out}} + \dot{m}_{\text{steam}}h_4 \rightarrow \dot{W}_{\text{turb, out}} = \dot{m}_{\text{steam}}(h_3 - h_4)$

Substituting,

$$\dot{W}_{\text{comp,in}} = (10 \text{ kg/s})(628.07 - 295.17) \text{ kJ/kg} = 3329 \text{ kW}$$

$$\dot{W}_{\text{turb,out}} = (25 \text{ kg/s})(3343.6 - 2392.5) \text{ kJ/kg} = 23,777 \text{ kW}$$

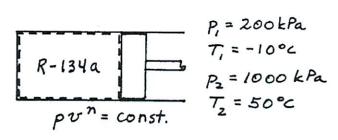
$$\dot{W}_{\text{net,out}} = \dot{W}_{\text{turb,out}} - \dot{W}_{\text{comp,in}} = 23,777 - 3329 = \textbf{20,448 kW}$$

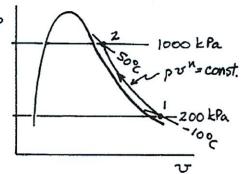


AE Solutions 1-b

Moran & Shapiro 3.53

SCHEMATIC & GIVEN DATA:





$$\frac{W}{m} = \int_{v_i}^{v_2} dv = \int_{v_i}^{v_2} \frac{\text{const.}}{v_n} dv$$
$$= \frac{P_2 v_2 - P_1 v_1}{1 - n} \qquad (*)$$

To find the polytropic exponent n, we first must determine the initial and final specific volumes. Using Table.

$$P_1 = 200 \, \text{kPa}$$
, $T_1 = -10^{\circ}\text{C} \implies v_1 = 0.09938 \, \text{m}^3/\text{kg}$
 $P_2 = 1000 \, \text{kPa}$, $T_2 = 50^{\circ}\text{C} \implies v_2 = 0.02171 \, \text{m}^3/\text{kg}$

Thus, for the polytropic process

$$P_1 v_1^n = P_2 v_2^n \Rightarrow log(P_2/P_1) = n log(v_1/v_2)$$

$$n = \frac{log(P_2/P_1)}{log(v_1/v_2)} = \frac{log(1000/200)}{log(.09938/.02171)} = 1.058$$

Inserting values in Eq. (*)

$$\frac{W}{m} = \frac{(1000 \, \text{kPa}) (0.02171 \, \text{m}^3/\text{kg}) - (200) (.09938)}{(1-1.058)} \left| \frac{10^3 \, \text{N/m}^2}{1 \, \text{kPa}} \right| \frac{1 \, \text{kJ}}{10^3 \, \text{N·m}}$$

=-31.62 kJ/kg with DU=mluz-u,)

$$\frac{Q}{m} = (u_2 - u_1) + \frac{W}{m}$$

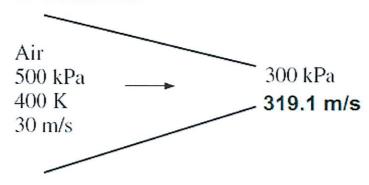
From Table ; U, = 221.50 kJ/kg and Uz = 258.48 kJ/kg

$$\frac{Q}{m} = (258.48 - 221.50) + (-31.62 \text{ kJ/kg})$$

$$= +5.36 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

AE Solutions 2-a

Cengel & Boles 5th ed Problem 7.167



The gas constant of air is R = 0.287 kJ/kg.K (Table A-1). For enthalpy values use table A-17

Energy balances on the control volume for the actual and isentropic processes give

$$h_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = h_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2}$$

$$400.98 \text{ kJ/kg} + \frac{(30 \text{ m/s})^2}{2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) = 350.49 \text{ kJ/kg} + \frac{V_2^2}{2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right)$$

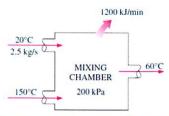
$$V_2 = 319.1 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\Delta s_{\text{air}} = s_2^0 - s_1^0 - R \ln \frac{P_2}{P_1}$$

$$= (1.85708 - 1.99194) \text{kJ/kg.K} - (0.287 \text{ kJ/kg.K}) \ln \frac{300 \text{ kPa}}{500 \text{ kPa}}$$

$$= \mathbf{0.0118 \text{ kJ/kg.K}}$$

AE Solutions 2-b



7-145 Liquid water is heated in a chamber by mixing it with superheated steam. For a specified mixing temperature, the mass flow rate of the steam and the rate of entropy generation are to be determined.

Assumptions 1 This is a steady-flow process since there is no change with time. 2 Kinetic and potential energy changes are negligible. 3 There are no work interactions.

Properties Noting that $T < T_{\text{sat } @ 200 \text{ kPa}} = 120.21^{\circ}\text{C}$, the cold water and the exit mixture streams exist as a compressed liquid, which can be approximated as a saturated liquid at the given temperature. From Tables A-4 through A-6,

$$\begin{array}{c} P_1 = 200 \; \mathrm{kPa} \\ T_1 = 20^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} h_1 \cong h_{f@20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} = 83.91 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg} \\ S_1 \cong s_{f@20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} = 0.2965 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg \cdot K} \\ \end{array} \\ P_2 = 200 \; \mathrm{kPa} \\ T_2 = 150^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} h_2 = 2769.1 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg} \\ S_2 = 7.2810 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg \cdot K} \\ \end{array} \\ P_3 = 200 \; \mathrm{kPa} \\ T_3 = 60^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} h_3 \cong h_{f@60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} = 251.18 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg} \\ S_3 \cong s_{f@60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} = 0.8313 \; \mathrm{kJ/kg \cdot K} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1200 \; \mathrm{kJ/min} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 20^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \mathrm{MIXING} \\ \mathrm{CHAMBER} \\ \end{array} \\ 200 \; \mathrm{kPa} \\ \end{array}$$

Analysis (a) We take the mixing chamber as the system, which is a control volume. The mass and energy balances for this steady-flow system can be expressed in the rate form as

Mass balance: $\dot{m}_{\rm in} - \dot{m}_{\rm out} = \Delta \dot{E}_{\rm system}^{70~(steady)} = 0 \longrightarrow \dot{m}_1 + \dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}_3$

Energy balance:

$$\frac{\dot{E}_{\rm in} - \dot{E}_{\rm out}}{\dot{E}_{\rm in} - \dot{E}_{\rm out}} = \underbrace{\Delta \dot{E}_{\rm system}}_{\text{System}}^{\text{φ_0 (steady)}} = 0$$
Rate of net energy transfer by heat, work, and mass Rate of change in internal, kinetic. potential, etc. energies
$$\dot{E}_{\rm in} = \dot{E}_{\rm out}$$

$$\dot{m}_1 h_1 + \dot{m}_2 h_2 = \dot{O}_{\rm out} + \dot{m}_3 h_3$$

Combining the two relations gives $\dot{Q}_{\text{out}} = \dot{m}_1 h_1 + \dot{m}_2 h_2 - (\dot{m}_1 + \dot{m}_2) h_3 = \dot{m}_1 (h_1 - h_3) + \dot{m}_2 (h_2 - h_3)$ Solving for \dot{m}_2 and substituting, the mass flow rate of the superheated steam is determined to be

$$\dot{m}_2 = \frac{\dot{Q}_{\text{out}} - \dot{m}_1 (h_1 - h_3)}{h_2 - h_3} = \frac{(1200/60 \text{kJ/s}) - (2.5 \text{ kg/s})(83.91 - 251.18) \text{kJ/kg}}{(2769.1 - 251.18) \text{kJ/kg}} = \textbf{0.166 kg/s}$$

Also, $\dot{m}_3 = \dot{m}_1 + \dot{m}_2 = 2.5 + 0.166 = 2.666 \text{ kg/s}$

(b) The rate of total entropy generation during this process is determined by applying the entropy balance on an *extended system* that includes the mixing chamber and its immediate surroundings so that the boundary temperature of the extended system is 25°C at all times. It gives

$$\frac{\dot{S}_{\text{in}} - \dot{S}_{\text{out}}}{\dot{S}_{\text{in}} - \dot{S}_{\text{out}}} + \frac{\dot{S}_{\text{gen}}}{\dot{S}_{\text{gen}}} = \underbrace{\Delta \dot{S}_{\text{system}}}^{\phi 0} = 0$$
Rate of net entropy transfer Rate of entropy generation Rate of change of entropy
$$\dot{m}_1 s_1 + \dot{m}_2 s_2 - \dot{m}_3 s_3 - \frac{\dot{Q}_{\text{out}}}{T_{\text{corr}}} + \dot{S}_{\text{gen}} = 0$$

Substituting, the rate of entropy generation during this process is determined to be

$$\dot{S}_{gen} = \dot{m}_3 s_3 - \dot{m}_2 s_2 - \dot{m}_1 s_1 + \frac{\dot{Q}_{out}}{T_{b,surr}}$$

$$= (2.666 \text{ kg/s})(0.8313 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) - (0.166 \text{ kg/s})(7.2810 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})$$

$$- (2.5 \text{ kg/s})(0.2965 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) + \frac{(1200/60 \text{ kJ/s})}{298 \text{ K}}$$

$$= 0.333 \text{ kW/K}$$

3. Air at 35C, 100kPa, 10% relative humidity passes through a chamber into which cooling water at 15 C is sprayed in a steady state steady flow process. The amount of water added is such that when it evaporates into the air stream, the exiting air-water vapor mixture will be 25 C, 100kPa. Calculate the exiting relative humidity.

$$P_{N1} = \Phi_{1} P_{g_{1}} = 0.1 \times 5.628 = 0.5628 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\omega_{1} = 0.622 \times \frac{0.5628}{(100 - 0.5628)} = 0.00352$$

$$\dot{\varphi}_{ev} = 0 = \dot{m}_{a} \left[(\dot{m}_{a_{3}} - \dot{m}_{a_{1}}) + \omega_{3} \dot{m}_{b_{3}} - \omega_{1} \dot{m}_{b_{3}} - \omega_{1} \dot{m}_{b_{3}} - \omega_{1} \dot{m}_{b_{3}} \right]$$

$$1.0035(25-35) + \omega_{3} \times 2547.2 - 0.00352 \times 2565.3$$

$$- (\omega_{3} - 0.00352) \times 62.99 = 0$$

$$\vdots \quad \omega_{3} = 0.00759 = 0.622 Pv_{3}$$

$$P_{N_{3}} = 1.2055$$

$$\dot{\varphi}_{3} = \frac{P_{N_{3}}}{P_{g_{3}}} = \frac{1.2055}{3.169} = 0.38 \text{ or } 38\%$$

4. An unknown hydrocarbon fuel is burned with air and a volumetric analysis of the combustion process yields the following percent composition on a dry basis.

$$CO_2 = 10.5\%$$
 $O_2 = 5.3\%$
 $N_2 = 84.2\%$

Determine the composition of fuel on a mass basis and the percentage of theoretical air used in the combustion process.

Ca Hb + c O₂ + dN₂ => 10.5 CO₂ + eH₂O + 5.30₂ + 84.21k
C* a = 10.5
N₂: d = 84.2
O₂: c = 10.5 +
$$\frac{e}{2}$$
 + 5.3
 $\frac{d}{c}$ = 3.76 ... c = 22.4
e = 2 (22.4 - 15.8) = 13.2
H₂: $\frac{b}{2}$ = e ... b = 26.4

Mass basis % C = 10.5 × 12 (10.5 × 12) + (26.4 × 1) * 100 = 82.7% \$ % H = 17.3% AF- C+d = 22.4 + 84.7 = 106.6 kmoleair/km