

CM 3230 Thermodynamics, Fall 2016

Lecture 10

1. Rankine Cycle (continued)

Q: How does one incorporate machine efficiencies, e.g. for turbine and compressor ?

A: For turbine,

$$\eta_{turbine} = \frac{w_{by,s}^{actual}}{w_{by,s}^{reversible}} \rightarrow \hat{h}_2 = \hat{h}_1 + \eta_{turbine}(\hat{h}_2^{reversible} - \hat{h}_1) > \hat{h}_2^{reversible}$$

For compressor,

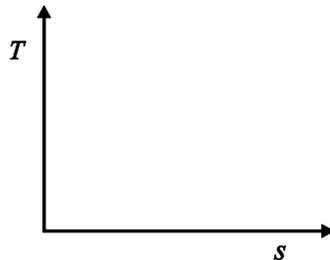
$$\eta_{comp} = \frac{w_{by,s}^{reversible}}{w_{by,s}^{actual}} \rightarrow \hat{h}_4 = \hat{h}_3 + \frac{(\hat{h}_4^{reversible} - \hat{h}_3)}{\eta_{comp}} > \hat{h}_4^{reversible}$$

(see example 3.15, p. 168-169)

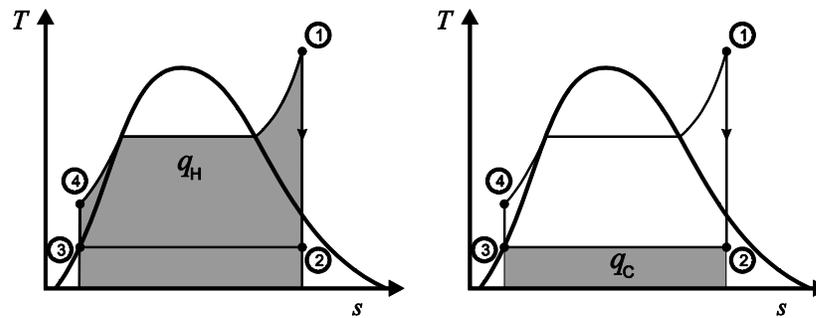
2. T-s Diagrams

- P-v diagrams focus on work by: area under curve is $w_{by}^{rev} = \int P dv$
- T-s diagrams focus on heat transferred in: area under curve is $q_{in}^{rev} = \int T ds$

In class exercise: draw the T-s diagram for a Carnot cycle



For Rankine cycle:



Rankine T-s diagram

$$w_{by,net} = q_H - q_C$$

Q: What if compressor is inefficient? What if turbine path is inefficient ?

(Note: area for w_{net} as shown in Figure 3.8 can be misleading if turbine is not isentropic)

3. Vapor Compression Refrigeration Cycle

- Contains 4 main units:

• **Evaporator (cooling box)**

- Refrigerant enters as liquid+vapor mix, but exits as saturated vapor
- Pressure is chosen so that corresponding boiling point of the refrigerant is colder than item to be cooled in the box

• **Compressor**

- Increase pressure of vaporized refrigerant
- Ideal case: isentropic
- Outlet pressure should be high enough so that the corresponding saturation temperature (at the condenser) is warmer than the outside temperature

• **Condenser (hot coils at the back)**

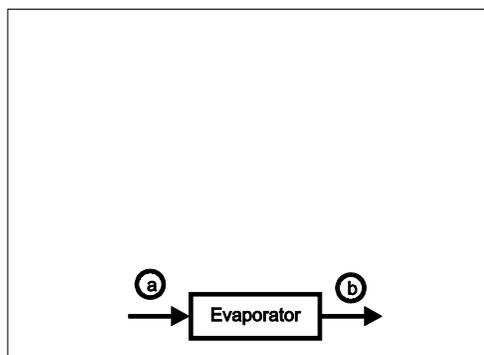
- Often has coiled tubes attached with cooling fins to improve heat transfer rate
- Along isobaric path, it has to first cool refrigerant down to saturation condition before condensation commences
- Outlet condition is saturated liquid refrigerant

• **Throttler (valve)**

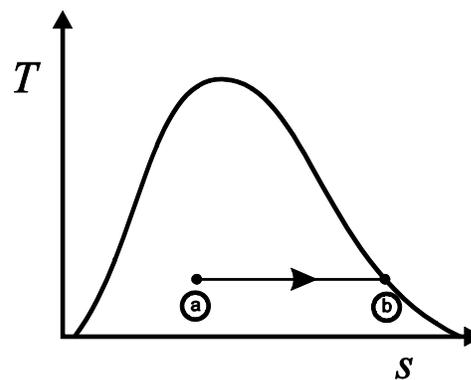
- Isenthalpic process \rightarrow adiabatic but not reversible \rightarrow entropy increases
- Enters as saturated liquid at high pressure
- Path is inside the phase envelope
- Outlet pressure is chosen so that refrigerant exits as a liquid+vapor mix at the temperature needed by the evaporator unit

In-class exercise:

- Sketch equipment diagram of the vapor-compression refrigeration cycle
- Sketch the accompanying T - s diagram of the refrigeration cycle
- Fill-in the work/heat "balance sheet" for the paths



Refrigeration Cycle



Refrigerant T - s diagram

Work and Heat Paths “Balance Sheet” of ideal Refrigeration Cycle

Unit/Path	Shaft Work By Refrigerant	Heat Into Refrigerant
Evaporator: a→b	$\dot{W}_{by,s,a \rightarrow b} = 0$	
	Notes:	
Compressor: b→c		$\dot{Q}_{in,b \rightarrow c} = 0$
	Notes:	
Condenser: c→d		
	Notes:	
Throttle: d→a		
	Notes:	

Example 3.16 (p.171)

Given: $P_{low} = 120 \text{ kPa}$, $P_{high} = 900 \text{ kPa}$

Required: COP, \dot{m} for $\dot{Q}_C = 10 \text{ kW}$.

Data needed:

Saturation Table:

$$@ P_{low} \rightarrow h_{vap}(= h_b), s_{vap}(= s_b)$$

$$@ P_{high} \rightarrow h_{liq}(= h_d = h_a)$$

Superheated Table:

$$@ P_{high} \text{ and } s_b \rightarrow h_c$$

Solution :

$$h_a = h_d = 25.5 \text{ kJ/mol}; \quad h_b = 39.3 \text{ kJ/mol}; \quad h_c = 43.6 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$q_c = q_{in,a \rightarrow b} = h_b - h_a = 13.8 \text{ kJ/mol} \rightarrow \dot{n} = (10 \text{ kW})/q_c = 0.73 \text{ mol/s}$$

$$COP = \frac{q_c}{|q_c + q_H|} = \frac{13.8}{|13.8 + (h_d - h_c)|} = 3.21$$

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Evaporator: a→b	$\dot{W}_{by,s,a \rightarrow b} = 0$	$\dot{Q}_{in,a \rightarrow b} = \dot{m}(\hat{h}_b - \hat{h}_a)$
	Notes: $\hat{h}_b = \hat{h}_v @ P_{low}$, saturated vapor	
Compressor: b→c	$\dot{W}_{by,s,1 \rightarrow 2} = -\dot{m}(\hat{h}_c - \hat{h}_b)$	$\dot{Q}_{in,b \rightarrow c} = 0$
	Notes: a) saturated vapor, $P_b (= P_{low}) \xrightarrow{table} \hat{s}_b$ b) $\hat{s}_c = \hat{s}_b, P_c (= P_{high}) \xrightarrow{table} \hat{h}_c$	
Condenser: c→d	$\dot{W}_{by,s,c \rightarrow d} = 0$	$\dot{Q}_{in,c \rightarrow d} = \dot{m}(\hat{h}_d - \hat{h}_c)$
	Notes: saturated liquid, $P_d (= P_{high}) \xrightarrow{table} \hat{h}_d = \hat{h}_{liq} @ P_{high}$	
Throttle: d→a	$\dot{W}_{by,s,d \rightarrow a} = 0$	$\dot{Q}_{in,d \rightarrow a} = 0$
	Notes: $\hat{h}_a = \hat{h}_d : (\hat{h}_a, P_{low}) \xrightarrow{table} x_{vap}$ (not necessary for heat calculation)	