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Lecture fifteen

e.g.: A refrigerator producing 15kw of refrigeration operates at an evaporator temperature of (-5°C) & condenser temperature of (35°C). calculate:

a) \dot{m} , b) \dot{v} , c) W, d) Q_{out}, e) f, f) cop, if the refrigerant used is R-22.

Sol:



Points 1&3 from table only & (h₃=h₄).[point 2 from chart].

From table: P_c=1355kPa & P_e=422kPa.

 $h_1 = 403.15 \text{kJ/kg}$ (saturated vapour).

h₄=h₃=243.1kJ/kg (saturated liquid).

h₂=434 kJ/kg from P-h diagram.



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To obtain (h₂), extend the horizontal straight line at ($T_c=308^{\circ}K$ or $P_c=1355$ kPa) to the superheated vapour region, then locate point (1) on the saturated vapour line at intersection with line ($T_e=268^{\circ}K$). Then follow the isentropic compression curve until intersecting with line ($T_c=308^{\circ}K$). Locate point (2) & read (h₂).

a)
$$\dot{m} = \frac{X}{Q_{ref.}} = \frac{15}{h_1 - h_4} = \frac{15}{403.15 - 243.1} = 0.0937 \text{kg/sec.}$$

b) $\dot{\upsilon} = \dot{m}(\upsilon_g)_1 = 0.0937*55.325*10^{-3} = 0.00518\text{m}^3/\text{sec.}, [(\upsilon_g)_1 = 55.325*10^{-3} \text{m}^3/\text{kg} \text{ from table at } -5^\circ\text{C}].$

c) W=
$$\dot{m}(h_2-h_1) = 0.0937 (434-403.15) = 2.89$$
 kw.

d)
$$Q_{out} = \dot{m}(h_2 - h_3) = 0.0937 (434 - 243.1) = 17.887 \text{kw.}$$

e)
$$f = \frac{h_3 - h_{le}}{h_1 - h_{le}}$$
, saturated liquid at -5°C \rightarrow h_{le}=194.15kJ/kg.
 $f = \frac{243.1 - 194.15}{403.15 - 194.15} = 0.234$

i.e. approximately 23% of liquid is vapourized at the expansion valve before entering the evaporator.

f)
$$\operatorname{Cop} = \frac{h_1 - h_4}{h_2 - h_1} = \frac{403.15 - 243.1}{434 - 403.15} = 5.188$$

or $\operatorname{Cop} = \frac{X}{W} = \frac{15}{2.89} = 5.19$
Recall (Cop)_{Carnot.} = 6.7
 \therefore Cop reduced in standard vap. Comp. cycle (ideal).



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5- Refrigerant properties on a P-h diagram.

Pressure – enthalpy diagrams are the most used for refrigeration practice. They provide easier representation of the vapour-compression cycle.



Note:

- 1. temperature line is horizontal inside the phase envelope; vertical in subcooled region; drops to the right in superheated region.
 - In subcooled region enthalpy is read at the saturation temperature regardless of pressure. i.e. The temperature determines the enthalpy and not the pressure. Thus,

 $h_{sub \ cooled \ liquid} = h_{saturated \ liquid \ at \ existing \ temp.}$



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- 2. Entropy lines steep & slope upward. Increase with increasing enthalpy & decreasing pressure.
- 3. Volume lines slope slightly upward to the right, increase with decreasing pressure.

S = 1 kJ/kg for saturated liquid at 0°C.

h=200kJ/kg for saturated liquid at 0°C.