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**FINAL EXAMINATION  
(TAKE HOME)  
SEMESTER I  
SESSION 2020/2021**

COURSE NAME : PROCESS THERMODYNAMICS  
COURSE CODE : BNI. 30203  
PROGRAMME CODE : BNI  
EXAMINATION DATE : JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021  
DURATION : 3 HOURS  
INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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- Q1** (a) Consider a steam power plant that operates on a simple ideal Rankine cycle as shown in **Figure Q1 (a)**. Steam enters the turbine at 10 MPa and 500°C and is cooled in the condenser at a pressure of 10 kPa.
- (i) Outline the cycle on a  $T-s$  diagram with respect to saturation lines. (3 marks)
  - (ii) Analyze the quality of the steam at the turbine exit. (6 marks)
  - (iii) Calculate the thermal efficiency of the cycle. (3 marks)
- (b) Referring to the **Figure Q1 (a)**, both pump and turbine are now assumed to have an isentropic efficiency of 85%. The steam enters the turbine at 10 MPa and 500°C and is cooled in the condenser at a pressure of 10 kPa.
- (i) Generalize the isentropic cycle on a  $T-s$  diagram with respect to saturation lines. (3 marks)
  - (ii) Analyze the isentropic quality of the steam at the turbine exit. (7 marks)
  - (iii) Calculate the isentropic thermal efficiency of the cycle. (3 marks)
- Q2** (a) Describe **FOUR (4)** processes to make up the simple ideal Brayton cycle. (4 marks)
- (b) Consider an ideal gas-turbine cycle with two stages of compression and two stages of expansion as shown in **Figure Q2 (b)**. The pressure ratio across each stage of the compressor and turbine is 3. The air enters each stage of the compressor at 300 K and each stage of the turbine at 1200 K.
- (i) Generalize the Brayton cycle on a  $T-s$  diagram. (4 marks)
  - (ii) Analyze the back work ratio of the cycle without regenerator and with regenerator of 75 percent effectiveness. (12 marks)
  - (iii) Solve the thermal efficiency of the cycle, without regenerator and with regenerator of 75 percent effectiveness. (5 marks)

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- Q3** (a) **Figure Q3 (a)** show a 300 kJ/min refrigeration system that operates on an ideal vapor-compression refrigeration cycle with refrigerant-134a as the working fluid. The refrigerant enters the compressor as saturated vapor at 140 kPa and is compressed to 800 kPa.
- (i) Analyze the quality of the refrigerant at the end of the throttling process. (9 marks)
  - (ii) Calculate the Coefficient of Performance (COP). (3 marks)
  - (iii) Calculate the power input to the compressor. (3 marks)
- (b) Referring to the **Figure Q3 (a)**, now the compressor is assume to have an isentropic efficiency of 85%.
- (i) Generalize the isentropic cycle on a  $T-s$  diagram with respect to saturation lines. (4 marks)
  - (ii) Examine the quality of the refrigerant at the end of the throttling process. (6 marks)
- Q4** (a) According to the **Figure Q4 (a)**, n-Butane fuel ( $C_4H_{10}$ ) is burned with a 100 percent excess air.
- (i) Classify the mole fractions of each product. (8 marks)
  - (ii) Calculate the mass of carbon dioxide in the products per unit mass of the fuel. (2 marks)
  - (iii) Solve the air-fuel ratio. (2 marks)
- (b) According to the **Figure Q4 (b)**, a gaseous mixture of 30 percent (by mole fraction) methane and 70 percent carbon dioxide is heated at 1 atm pressure up to 1200 K. The natural logarithm of the equilibrium constant for the reaction at 1200 K is 4.147. Analyze the equilibrium composition (by mole fraction) of the resulting mixtures. (13 marks)

-END OF QUESTIONS -

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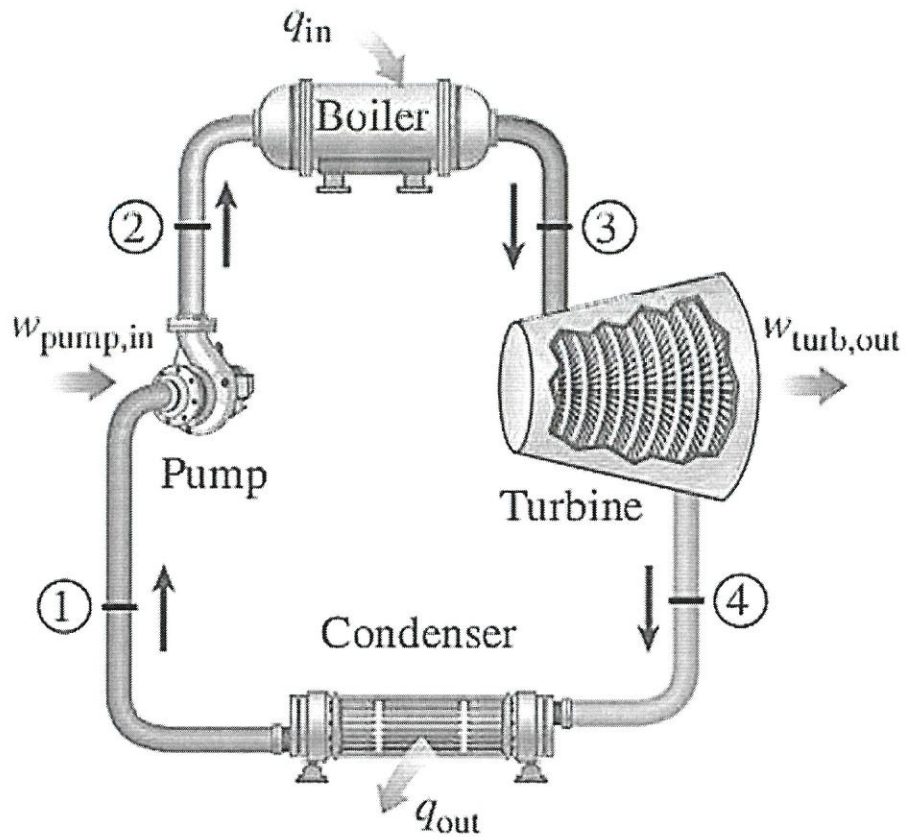


Figure Q1 (a) : Steam power plant that operates on a simple ideal Rankine cycle

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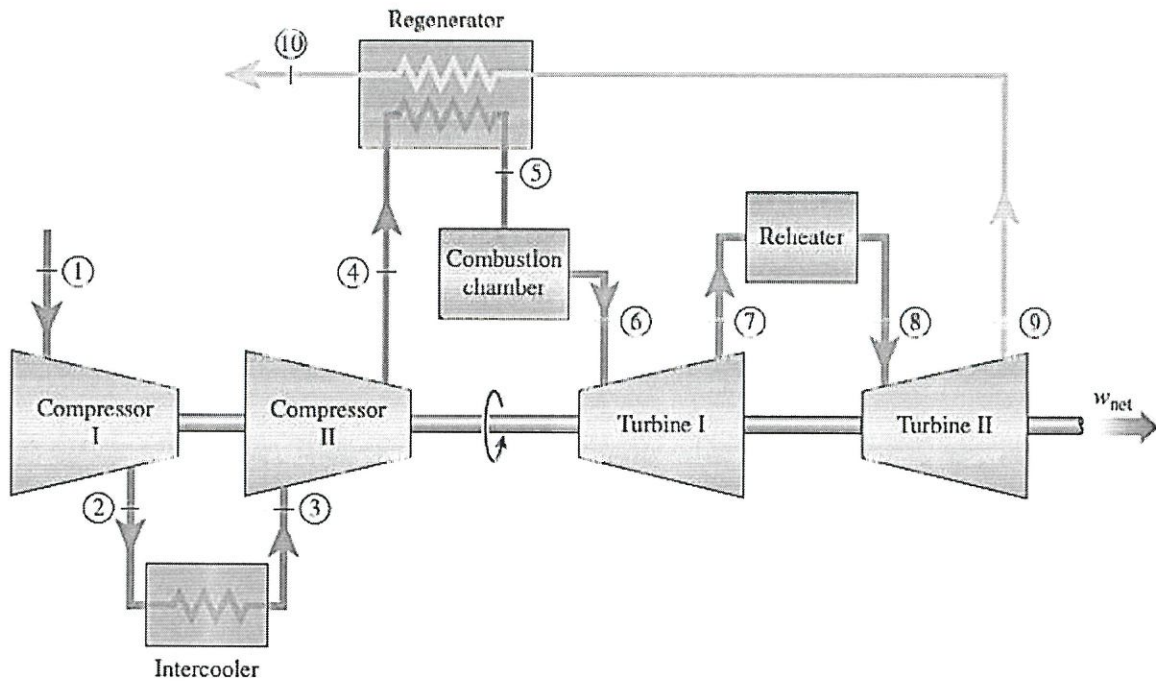


Figure Q2 (b) : Ideal gas-turbine cycle

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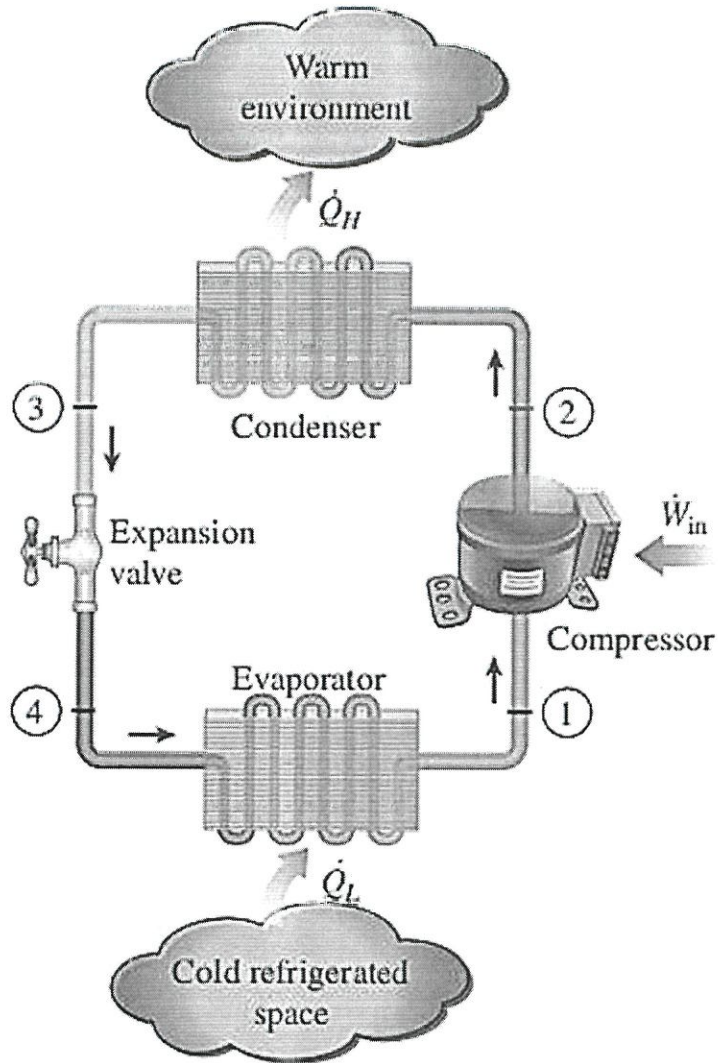


Figure Q3 (a) : Refrigeration system

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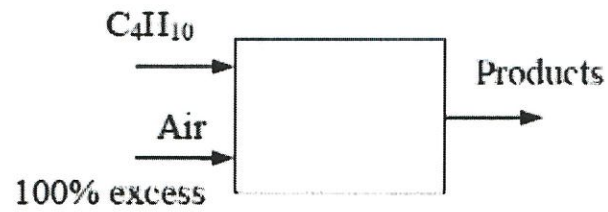


Figure Q4 (a) : Combustion flow of n-Butane

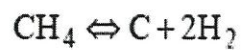
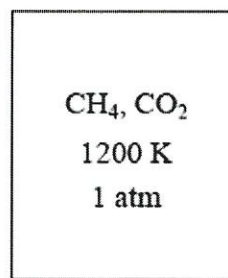


Figure Q4 (b) : Equilibrium constant for ideal gas mixture