

• For an ideal gas & a polytropic process: (both property relationships)

$$\uparrow PV = RT$$

$$\uparrow P\psi^n = \text{constant}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{P_1 \psi_1}{T_1} &= \frac{P_2 \psi_2}{T_2} \rightarrow \frac{\psi_1}{\psi_2} = \frac{P_2 T_1}{P_1 T_2} \\ P_1 \psi_1^n &= P_2 \psi_2^n \rightarrow \frac{\psi_1}{\psi_2} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{1/n} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} \frac{P_2}{P_1} \cdot \frac{T_1}{T_2} &= \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2}\right)^{1/n} \\ \frac{T_1}{T_2} &= \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2}\right) \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2}\right)^{-1/n} = \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{n}} \end{aligned}$$

• For an isentropic process & an ideal gas: (both property relationships)

$$\uparrow \Delta S = 0$$

$$0 = S_2 - S_1 = c_v \ln\left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) + R \ln\left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right) \leftarrow \text{derived from 1st law with reversible work (P dN) \& reversible heat (T ds)}$$

• or with enthalpies:

$$0 = c_p \ln\left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) - R \ln\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) = -\frac{R}{c_p} \ln\left(\frac{N_2}{N_1}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right)^{R/c_p}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{recall } R &= c_p - c_v \\ \& \quad k &= c_p / c_v \end{aligned} \right\} \frac{R}{c_p} = k - 1$$

Ideal Gas:
Isentropic
Process

$$\left. \frac{T_2}{T_1} \right|_{\Delta S=0} = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right)^{k-1}$$

$$\left. \frac{P_2}{P_1} \right|_{\Delta S=0} = \left(\frac{N_1}{N_2}\right)^k$$

$$\left. \frac{T_2}{T_1} \right|_{\Delta S=0} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$$

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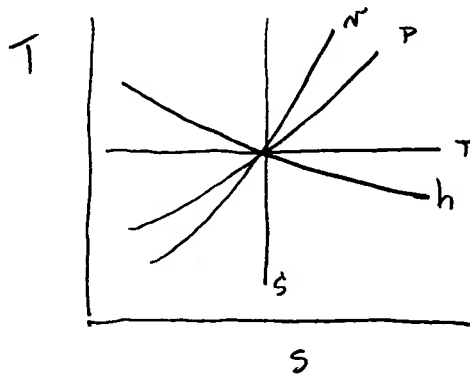
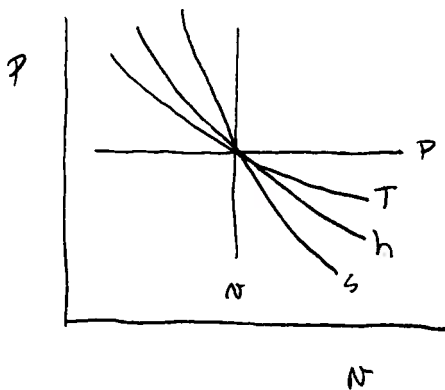
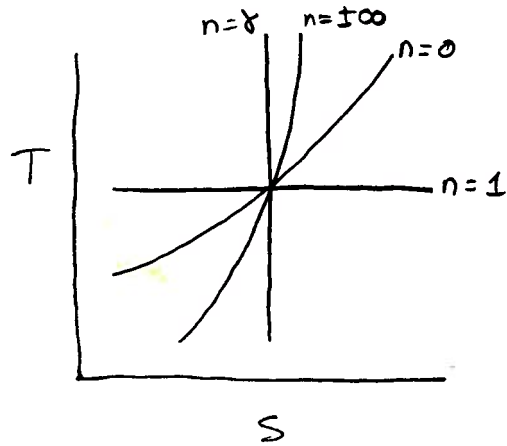
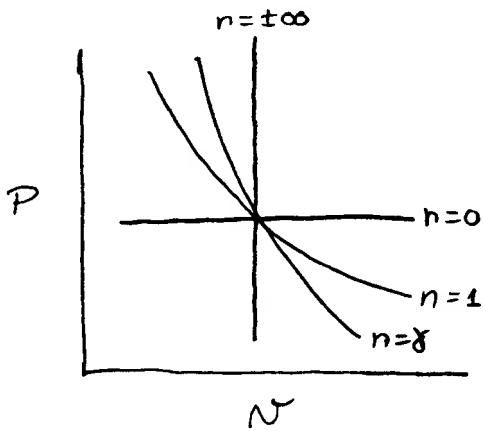
Polytropic Processes $PV^n = \text{constant}$

$P_1 V_1^n = P_2 V_2^n = \text{constant}$

~~$P_1 V_1 = P_2 V_2$~~

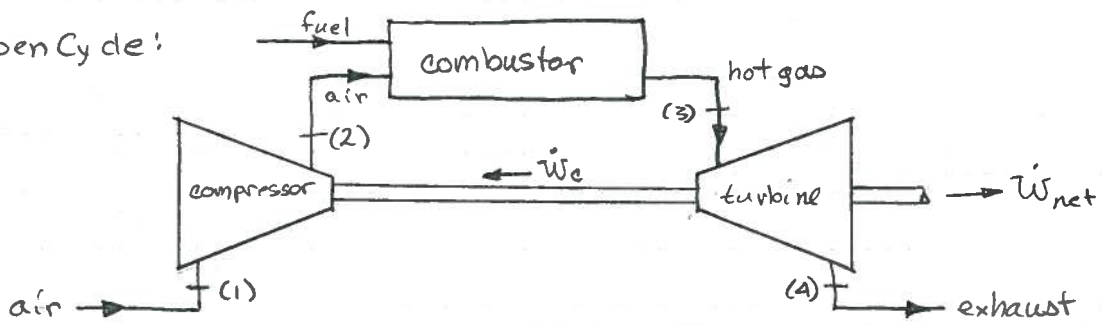
$\delta Q = c m dT$

Process	c	n
constant volume (isochoric)	c_v	∞
constant pressure (isobaric)	c_p	0
constant temperature (isothermal)	∞	1
adiabatic, reversible (isentropic)	0	$\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v}$
polytropic	$c_v \left(\frac{\gamma - 1}{1 - n} \right)$	$0 \text{ to } \infty$



Ideal Brayton Cycle

Direct Open Cycle:

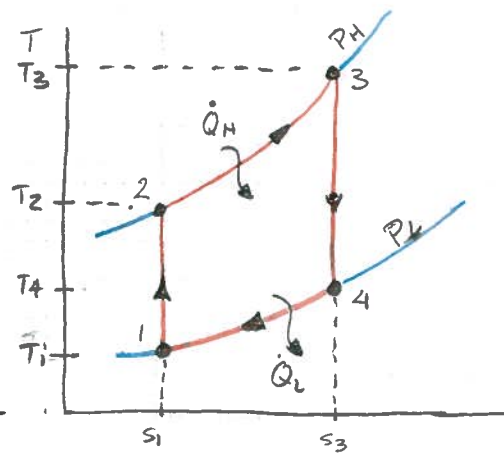
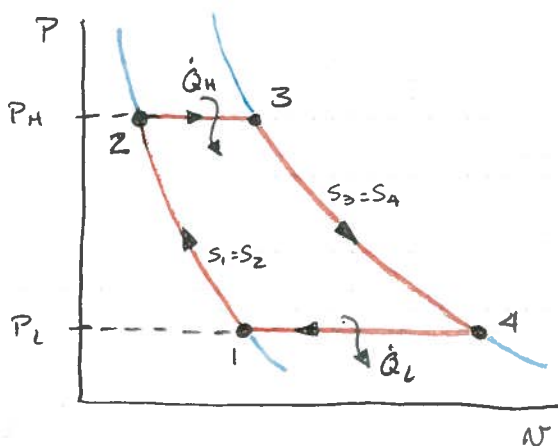
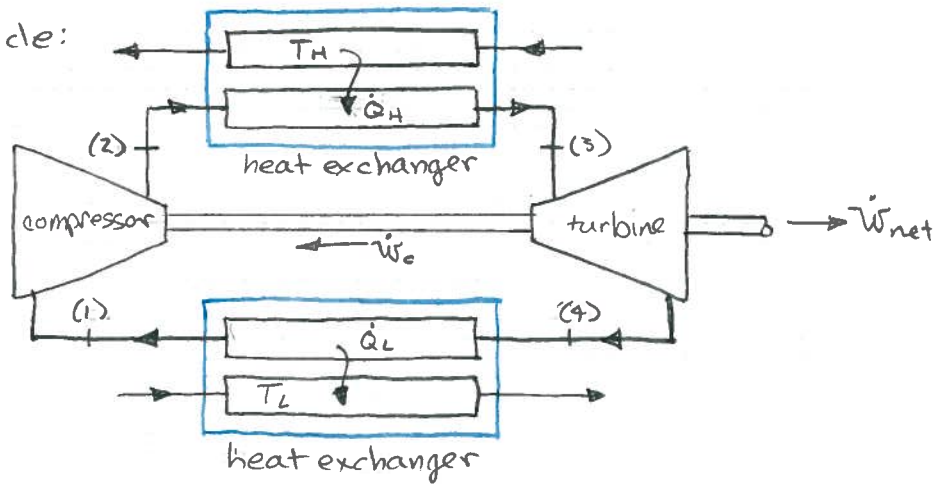


Air Standard Cycle (ASC):

- fixed mass of air throughout the entire cycle ; no inlet / exhaust process
- air is an ideal gas
- combustion process is replaced by heat transfer from an external source
- cycle is completed by heat transfer to surroundings
- all processes are internally reversible
- air has a constant specific heat

Indirect Closed Cycle:

- 1-2: isentropic compression
- 2-3: isobaric heat addition
- 3-4: isentropic expansion
- 4-1: isobaric heat rejection



First law for each process:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{Q} - \dot{W} &= H_{\text{exit}} - H_{\text{inlet}} \\ &= \dot{m} (h_{\text{exit}} - h_{\text{inlet}}) \\ \dot{q} - w &= h_{\text{exit}} - h_{\text{inlet}} \\ &= c_p (T_{\text{exit}} - T_{\text{inlet}}) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{uniform, steady flow neglecting changes} \\ \text{in kinetic \& potential energies} \\ \\ \text{ideal gas} \end{array}$$

Thermal Efficiency

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{net}}}{\dot{Q}_{\text{in}}} = \frac{\dot{Q}_H - \dot{Q}_L}{\dot{Q}_H} = 1 - \frac{\dot{Q}_L}{\dot{Q}_H} \leftarrow \dot{m} \text{ is constant for the cycle}$$

$$\dot{Q}_L = -\dot{q}_1 = -c_p (T_1 - T_4) = c_p (T_4 - T_1)$$

$$\dot{Q}_H = +\dot{q}_3 = c_p (T_3 - T_2)$$

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 1 - \left(\frac{T_4 - T_1}{T_3 - T_2} \right) = 1 - \frac{T_1}{T_2} \left[\frac{T_4/T_1 - 1}{T_3/T_2 - 1} \right]$$

• recall, process 1-2 is an isentropic compression
therefore, $\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$ for an ideal gas

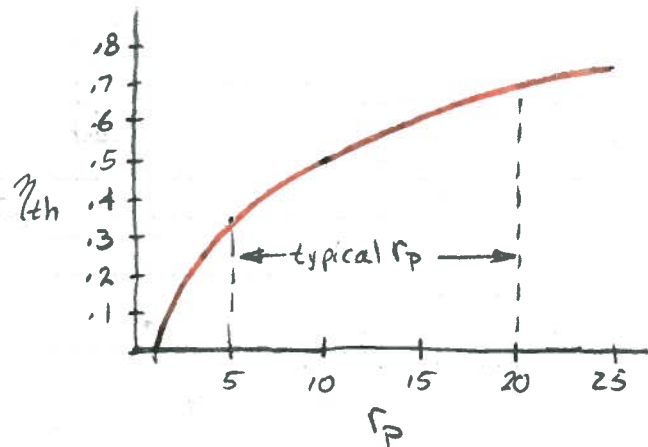
• also, $P_2 = P_3$ & $P_1 = P_4$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} = \left(\frac{P_3}{P_4} \right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} = \frac{T_3}{T_4}$$

• since $\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{T_3}{T_4}$, $\left\{ \frac{T_4/T_1 - 1}{T_3/T_2 - 1} \right\} = 1$

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 1 - \frac{T_1}{T_2} = 1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{k-1/k}}$$

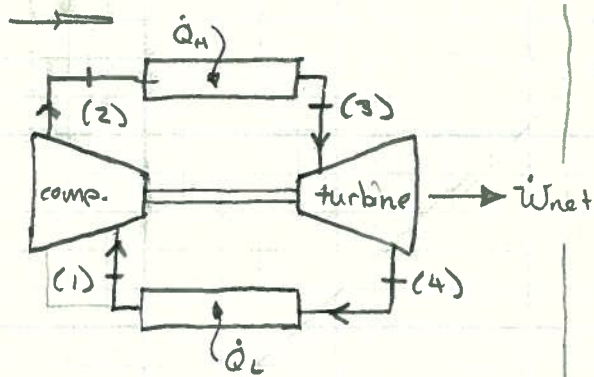
$$r_p = \frac{P_2}{P_1} \equiv \text{pressure ratio}$$



In an air-standard Brayton cycle the air enters the compressor at 0.1 MPa, 15°C. The pressure leaving the compressor is 1.0 MPa and the maximum temperature in the cycle is 1100°C. Determine:

(a) The pressure and temperature at each point in the cycle.

(b) The compressor work, turbine work, and cycle efficiency.



- assume steady, uniform flow
- negligible changes in kinetic & potential energies

Compressor, 1-2:

$$\dot{q}_2 - \dot{w}_2 = \dot{m}(h_2 - h_1)$$

\downarrow isentropic ideal gas

$$-\dot{w}_2 = C_p(T_2 - T_1)$$

↑ need to find T_2

- for isentropic process w/ ideal gas

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$$

$$T_2 = (15 + 273 \text{ K})(10)^{0.286} = 556.8 \text{ K} \quad (283^\circ\text{C})$$

$$-\dot{w}_2 = (1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(556.8 - 288 \text{ K})$$

$$\dot{w}_2 = -270 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

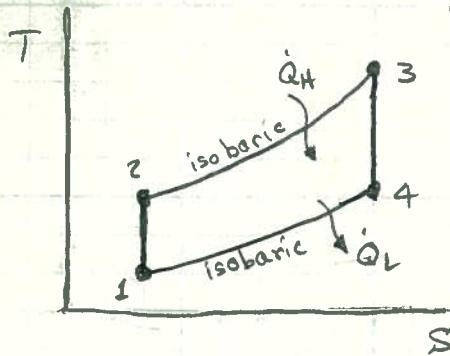
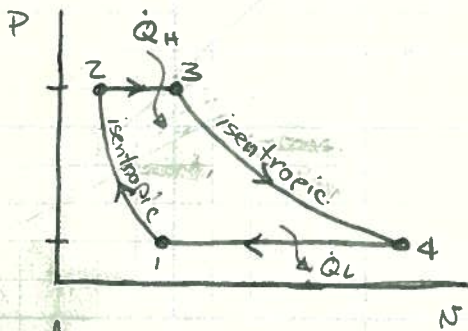
High Temperature Heat Exchanger, 2-3:

$$\dot{q}_3 - \dot{w}_3 = h_3 - h_2 = C_p(T_3 - T_2)$$

$$\dot{q}_3 = (1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(1100 - 283^\circ\text{C})$$

$$\dot{q}_3 = 821 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$P_3 = P_2$$



Turbine, 3-4:

$$-{}_3w_4 = h_4 - h_3 \rightarrow {}_3w_4 = c_p(T_3 - T_4)$$

• isentropic process with an ideal gas,

$$\frac{T_3}{T_4} = \left(\frac{P_3}{P_4}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \rightarrow T_4 = 710.8 \text{ K} = 437.8^\circ\text{C}$$

• turbine work

$${}_3w_4 = (1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(1100 - 437.8^\circ\text{C}) = 665 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

• net work

$$w_{\text{net}} = w_t - w_c = {}_3w_4 + {}_1w_2 = 665 \text{ kJ/kg} - 270 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$w_{\text{net}} = 395 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Low Temperature Heat Exchanger, 4-1:

$$q_{61} = c_p(T_4 - T_1) = (1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K})(437.8^\circ\text{C} - 15^\circ\text{C})$$

$$q_{61} = 425 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Efficiency

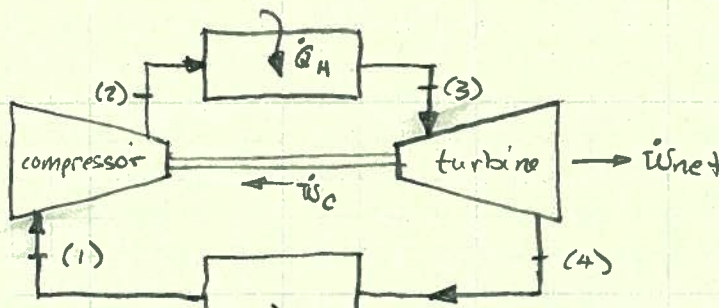
$$\eta_{\text{th}} = \frac{w_{\text{net}}}{q_H} = \frac{395}{821} = 48\%$$

OR

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} = 1 - \frac{1}{10^{0.286}} = 48\%$$

Example of Simple Brayton Cycle

An air-standard Brayton cycle operates with a compression ratio of 5.0. The actual expansion & compression efficiencies of the gas processes are 0.88 and 0.82, respectively, and the maximum and minimum temperatures are 750°C and 16°C, respectively. Compute the compression work, the expansion work, the ratio of compression to expansion work (back-work ratio), and the actual and theoretical thermal efficiencies. If the power output of the installation is 8 MW, determine the mass flow rate, kg/min.



$r_p = 5.0$

$\eta_c = ?$

$\eta_t = ?$

BWR = ?

$T_{max} = 750^\circ C = T_3$

$T_{min} = 16^\circ C = T_1$

$\eta_a = ?$

$\eta_t = 0.88$

$\eta_c = ?$

$\eta_c = 0.82$

$\dot{m} = ?$

$\dot{W}_{net} = 8 \text{ MW}$

air $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k = 1.4 \\ C_p = 1.005 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K} \\ R = 0.287 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K} \end{array} \right.$

Compressor Work

${}_1\dot{Q}_2 - {}_1\dot{W}_2 = \dot{m}(e_2 - e_1) = \dot{m}(h_2 - h_1)$

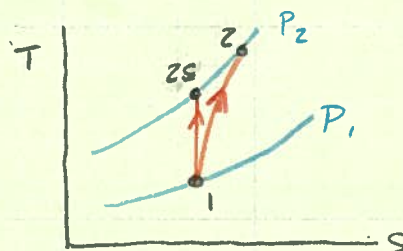
for an ideal (isentropic) process

$-W_2 = h_2 - h_1 = C_p(T_{2s} - T_1)$ for an ideal gas

$\frac{T_{2s}}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \rightarrow T_{2s} = T_1 r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} = (16 + 273 \text{ K})(5)^{\frac{1.4-1}{1.4}} = 458 \text{ K}$

${}_1W_2|_{ideal} = C_p(T_1 - T_{2s}) = (1.005 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}\cdot\text{K}})(289 \text{ K} - 458 \text{ K}) = -170 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

${}_1W_2|_{actual} = \frac{{}_1W_2|_{ideal}}{\eta_c} = -207 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$



Turbine Work

${}_3\dot{Q}_4 - {}_3\dot{W}_4 = \dot{m}(e_4 - e_3) = \dot{m}(h_4 - h_3)$

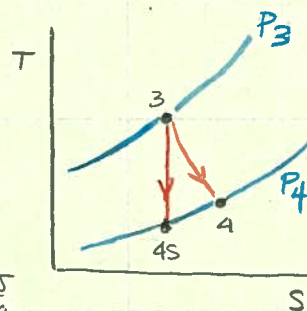
for an ideal (isentropic) expansion process with an ideal gas

${}_3W_4 = C_p(T_3 - T_{4s})$

$T_{4s} = T_3 \left(\frac{1}{r_p}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} = (750 + 273 \text{ K}) \left(\frac{1}{5.0}\right)^{\frac{1.4-1}{1.4}} = 646 \text{ K}$

${}_3W_4|_{ideal} = C_p(T_3 - T_{4s}) = (1.005 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}\cdot\text{K}})(1023 \text{ K} - 646 \text{ K}) = +379 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

${}_3W_4|_{actual} = \eta_t \cdot {}_3W_4|_{ideal} = (0.88)(379 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}) = 333 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$



Example of Simple Brayton Cycle (cont.)

$$\text{Back-Work Ratio} \equiv \frac{w_c}{w_t} \Big|_{\text{actual}} = \frac{207 \text{ kJ/kg}}{333 \text{ kJ/kg}} = 62\%$$

$$\text{Net Specific work} = w_t - w_c = 3(w_t)_{\text{actual}} - 1(w_c)_{\text{actual}} = 333 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} - 207 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} = 126 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$$

Actual Temperatures at (2) & (4) ← required to compute q_{in} & q_{out}

$$\eta_t = \frac{h_3 - h_4}{h_3 - h_{4s}} = \frac{c_p(T_3 - T_4)}{c_p(T_3 - T_{4s})}$$

$$T_4 = T_3 - \eta_t(T_3 - T_{4s}) = 1023 \text{ K} - (0.88)(1023 \text{ K} - 646 \text{ K}) = 691 \text{ K}$$

$$\eta_c = \frac{h_{2s} - h_1}{h_2 - h_1} = \frac{c_p(T_{2s} - T_1)}{c_p(T_2 - T_1)}$$

$$T_2 = T_1 + \frac{1}{\eta_c}(T_{2s} - T_1) = 289 \text{ K} + \frac{1}{0.82}(458 \text{ K} - 289 \text{ K}) = 495 \text{ K}$$

Actual Heat Transfer into Cycle ← required to compute η_{th}

$$q_{\text{in}} \Big|_{\text{actual}} = q_{23} \Big|_{\text{actual}} = c_p(T_3 - T_2) = (1.005 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}\cdot\text{K}})(1023 \text{ K} - 495 \text{ K}) = 530.64 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Thermal Efficiency

$$\eta_{\text{th}} \Big|_{\text{actual}} = \frac{w_{\text{net}}}{q_{\text{in}} \Big|_{\text{actual}}} = \frac{126 \text{ kJ/kg}}{530.64 \text{ kJ/kg}} = 0.237$$

$$\eta_{\text{th}} \Big|_{\text{ideal}} = 1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{k-1}} = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{50}\right)^{\frac{1.4-1}{1.4}} = 0.369$$

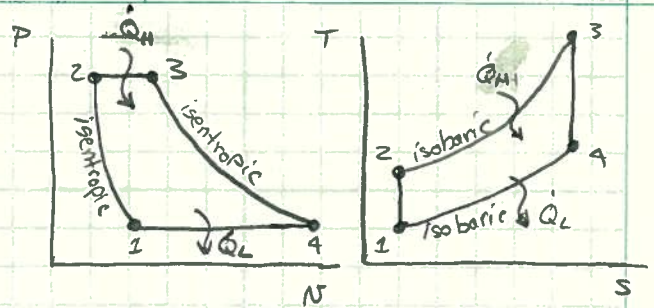
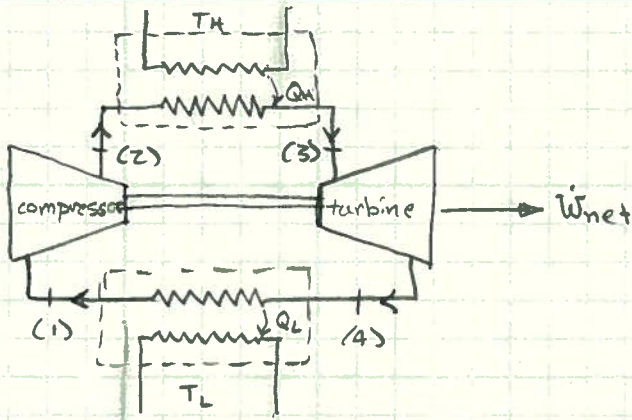
Mass Flow Rate of Air for Net Power of 8 MW

$$\dot{m} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{net}}}{w_{\text{net}}} = \frac{8000 \text{ kJ/s}}{126 \text{ kJ/kg}} = 63.5 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\text{Compressor Power: } \dot{W}_c = (63.5 \text{ kg/s})(207 \text{ kJ/kg}) = 13.14 \text{ MW}$$

$$\text{Turbine Power: } \dot{W}_t = (63.5 \text{ kg/s})(333 \text{ kJ/kg}) = 21.15 \text{ MW}$$

Brayton Cycle



Turbine Work: $\dot{W}_t = \dot{m} C_p (h_3 - h_4) = \dot{m} \int_{T_4}^{T_3} C_p(T) dT$

• for constant specific heats

$$\dot{W}_t = \dot{m} C_p (T_3 - T_4)$$

• isentropic with process using ideal gas

$$\frac{T_3}{T_4} = \left(\frac{P_3}{P_4} \right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$$

• pressure ratio is defined as

$$r_{p_t} = \frac{P_3}{P_4}$$

• therefore,

$$\dot{W}_t = \dot{m} C_p T_3 \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_{p_t}^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right) \quad (*)$$

Compressor Work: $\dot{W}_c = \dot{m} C_p (h_2 - h_1) = \dot{m} C_p T_2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_{p_c}^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right) \quad (**)$

• for an ideal Brayton cycle, $r_{p_t} = r_{p_c} = r_p$

$$\dot{W}_{net} = \dot{W}_t - |\dot{W}_c| = \underbrace{\dot{m} C_p (T_3 - T_2)}_{\dot{Q}_H} \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right] \quad (!)$$

thermal efficiency:

$$\eta_{th} = \frac{\dot{W}_{net}}{\dot{Q}_H} = 1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \quad (***)$$

Brayton Cycle

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{W_{net}}{m} = W_{net} &= c_p (T_3 - T_2) \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right) \\ \frac{T_2}{T_1} &= \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} = r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \end{aligned} \right\} W_{net} = c_p \left[T_3 - T_1 r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right]$$

OR

$$W_{net} = c_p \left\{ \underbrace{T_1}_{T_{min}} \left[1 - r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \right] + \underbrace{T_3}_{T_{max}} \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right] \right\}$$

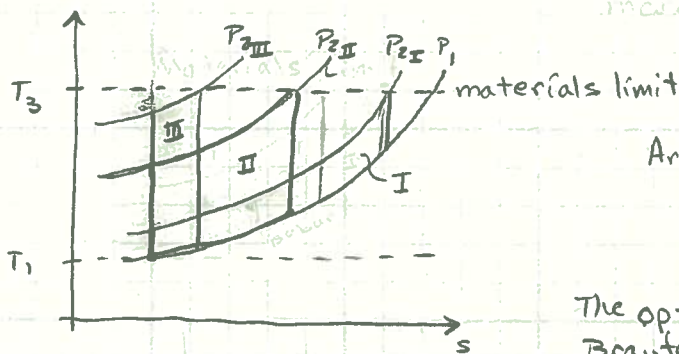
1. All other things being equal (T_1, T_3, r_p, k), the specific work of the cycle is proportional to c_p ; the higher the c_p the higher the specific work. Thus, helium can produce five times as much work as can air at low temperatures.

- specific heats for monatomic gases (He, Ar) are relatively constant and independent of temperature.
- specific heats for diatomic gases (O_2, N_2, air) increase with temperature
- specific heats for triatomic gases (CO_2) increase with temperature faster than diatomic gases

2. All other things being equal, gases with higher values of $k, \left(\frac{k-1}{k}\right)$, produce more specific work than gases with lower values of k .

3. For any particular gas, an increase in r_p from 1.0 (no work) decreases one portion of the net work and increases another portion.

$$W_{net} = c_p \left\{ \underbrace{T_1 \left[1 - r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \right]}_{\substack{\text{decreases with} \\ \text{increase in } r_p}} + \underbrace{T_3 \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right]}_{\substack{\text{increases with} \\ \text{increase in } r_p}} \right\}$$



Area II > Area III & Area I

$$r_{pI} < r_{pII} < r_{pIII}$$

The optimum pressure ratio for an ideal Brayton cycle can be found by differentiating the net work with respect to r_p and setting the derivative to zero.

$$r_{p \text{ optimum}} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)^{k/(k-1)} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)^{k/2(k-1)}$$

↑ decreases w/ increasing k

Brayton Cycle

- Derivation of compression ratio as a function of the initial (T_1) and maximum (T_3) temperatures of an ideal Brayton cycle.

$$w_{net} = c_p \left\{ T_1 \left[1 - r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}} \right] + T_3 \left[1 - r_p^{\frac{k}{k-1}} \right] \right\}$$

• for convenience, define $\beta \equiv \frac{k-1}{k}$;

$$w_{net} = c_p \left\{ T_1 \left[1 - r_p^\beta \right] + T_3 \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^\beta} \right] \right\}$$

$$\frac{dw_{net}}{dr_p} = c_p \left\{ T_1 \left[-\beta r_p^{\beta-1} \right] + T_3 \left[+\beta r_p^{-\beta-1} \right] \right\} = 0$$

$$-T_1 r_p^{\beta-1} + T_3 \frac{1}{r_p^{\beta+1}} = 0$$

$$T_1 r_p^{\beta-1} \cdot r_p^{\beta+1} = T_3$$

$$r_p^{\beta-1} \cdot r_p^{\beta+1} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)$$

$$r_p^{2\beta} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)$$

$$2\beta = \frac{2(k-1)}{k}$$

optimum
pressure
ratio
for simple
Brayton
cycle

$$r_p = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)^{\frac{k}{2(k-1)}}$$

Find the pressure ratio required by an ideal Brayton cycle to produce a net work of 600 Btu/lbm of (i) helium and (ii) air with constant specific heats. The cycle has initial and maximum temperatures of 500 R and 2500 R, respectively. Also, calculate the optimum pressure ratio for both gases.

Helium: $C_p = 1.250 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm R}}$

Air: $C_p = 0.240 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm R}}$

$k = 1.659$

$k = 1.4$

$\frac{k-1}{k} = 0.3972$

$\frac{k-1}{k} = 0.286$

turbine: $\dot{W}_t = \dot{m} C_p T_{\max} \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right)$

compressor: $\dot{W}_c = \dot{m} C_p T_{\text{init}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right)$

for an ideal cycle, $r_{pe} = r_{pc} = r_p$

specific network: $\dot{w}_{\text{net}} = \dot{w}_t - |\dot{w}_c| = C_p (T_{\max} - T_{\text{init}} r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}) \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right)$

(i) Helium: $600 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm}} = \left(1.250 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm R}} \right) \left[(2500 \text{ R}) - (500 \text{ R}) r_p^{0.3972} \right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{0.3972}} \right]$

• solving for r_p ,

$$(r_p^{0.3972})^2 - 504(r_p^{0.3972}) + 5 = 0$$

$$r_p = \underline{2.16} \text{ or } \underline{26.62}$$

• the optimum compression ratio is

$$r_p|_{\text{optimum}} = \left(\frac{T_{\max}}{T_{\text{init}}} \right)^{\frac{k}{2(k-1)}} = \left(\frac{2500}{500} \right)^{\frac{1.659}{2(1.659-1)}} = \underline{7.58}$$

• this pressure ratio, $r_p|_{\text{optimum}}$, yields the maximum work of 954.8 Btu/lbm.

• At $r_p = 1$, the network is zero. There is also a maximum value of r_p which yields a network equal to zero. The maximum r_p occurs when $T_{\max} = T_{\text{init}}$ ($\dot{w}_t = \dot{w}_c$).

$$r_p|_{\text{maximum}} = \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1} \right)^{\frac{k}{k-1}} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1} \right)^{\frac{k}{k-1}} = ()$$

$$\text{or } (r_p|_{\text{max}})^{0.3972} = \left(\frac{2500}{500} \right) = 5$$

$$r_p|_{\text{maximum}} = \underline{57.5}$$

iii) Air: $600 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm}} = (0.240 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm R}}) \left[(2500 \text{ R}) - (500 \text{ R}) r_p^{0.286} \right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{0.286}} \right]$

$$(r_p^{0.286})^2 - (r_p^{0.286}) + 5 = 0$$

• solving for r_p results in imaginary values which indicate that 600 Btu/lbm net work cannot be produced in this cycle using air

• the optimum pressure ratio is

$$r_{p|\text{opt}} = \left(\frac{2500}{500} \right)^{\frac{1.4}{2(1.4-1)}} = 16.72$$

• the maximum work, achieved at $r_{p|\text{opt}}$, is 183.3 $\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm}}$

• the maximum r_p is 279.6

summary

	He	Air
c_p [Btu/lbm R]	1.250	0.24
k	1.659	1.4
r_p for 600 $\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm}}$	2.16 or 2662	n/a
$r_{p \text{opt}}$	7.58	16.72
$W_{\text{net}}(r_{p \text{opt}})$ [$\frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm}}$]	954.8	183.3
$r_{p \text{max}}$	57.5	279.6

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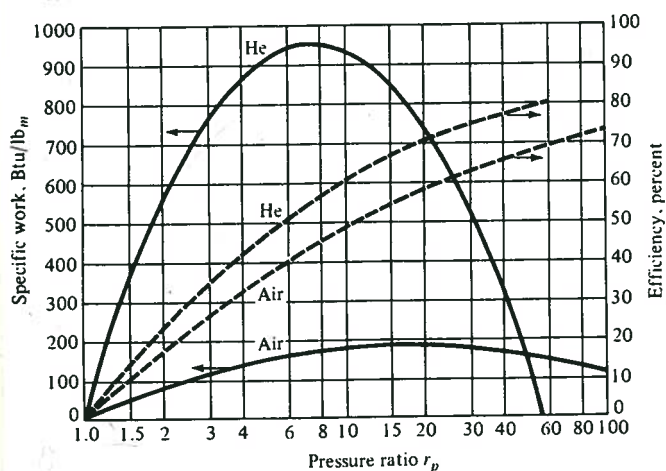
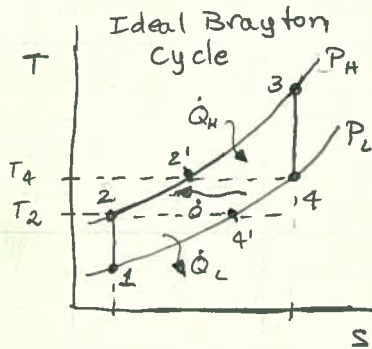
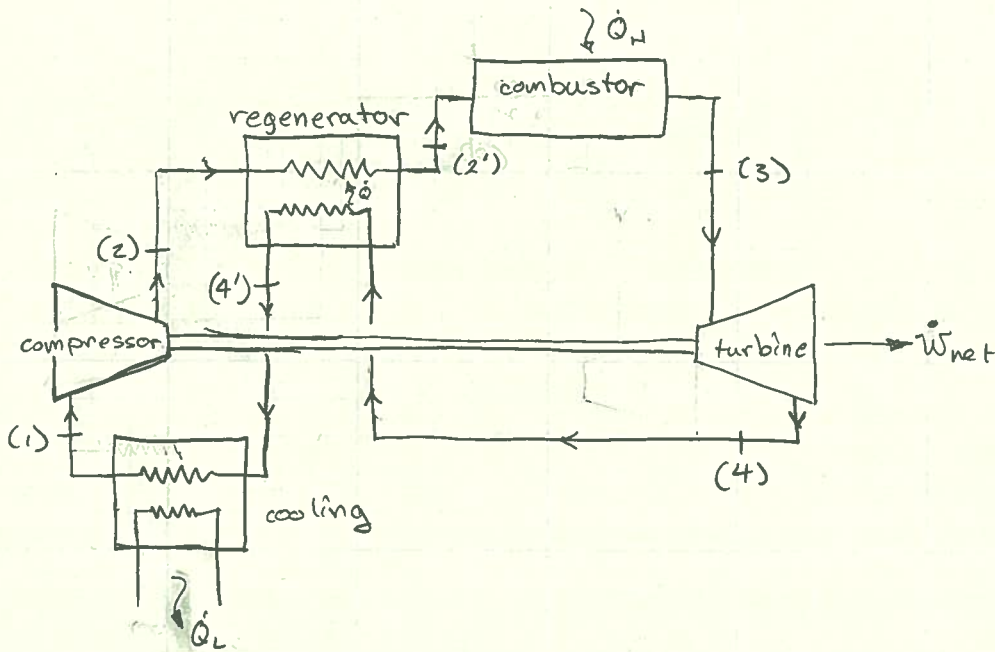


Figure 8-8 Specific power and efficiency versus pressure ratio for ideal Brayton cycles operating with helium and air.

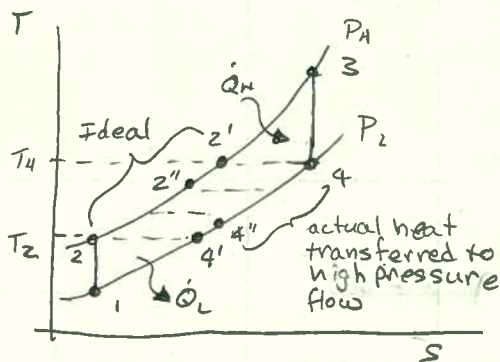
Brayton Cycle - Regeneration



$T_4 > T_2 \Rightarrow$ thermal energy from the turbine exhaust can be transferred to the compressor exhaust thereby saving energy in the combustor

Highest temperature in the regenerator is T_4 (turbine exhaust).

In practice, the exit temperature of the high pressure flow is less than T_4 .



$$Q_{reg|max} = h_{2'} - h_2 = h_4 - h_{4'}$$

$$Q_{reg|actual} = h_{2''} - h_{2'} = h_4 - h_{4''}$$

regenerator effectiveness,

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{Q_{reg|actual}}{Q_{reg|max}}$$

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{h_{2''} - h_{2'}}{h_{2'} - h_2} = \frac{h_4 - h_{4''}}{h_4 - h_{4'}}$$

For an ideal gas with constant specific heats,

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{T_{2''} - T_2}{T_2' - T_2} = \frac{T_4 - T_4''}{T_4 - T_4'}$$

Note that $T_4' = T_2$ & $T_2' = T_4$

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{T_{2''} - T_2}{T_4 - T_2} = \frac{T_4 - T_4''}{T_4 - T_2}$$

Typical effectiveness < 0.85

• Thermal efficiency,

$$\eta_{th} = 1 - \frac{T_4'' - T_1}{T_3 - T_2''} = 1 - \frac{T_4'' - T_{min}}{T_{max} - T_2''}$$

• For an ideal cycle, $T_4'' = T_4' = T_2$ and $T_2'' = T_2' = T_4$

• The thermal efficiency with regeneration becomes:

$$\eta_{th} = 1 - \left(\frac{T_1}{T_3}\right) r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$$

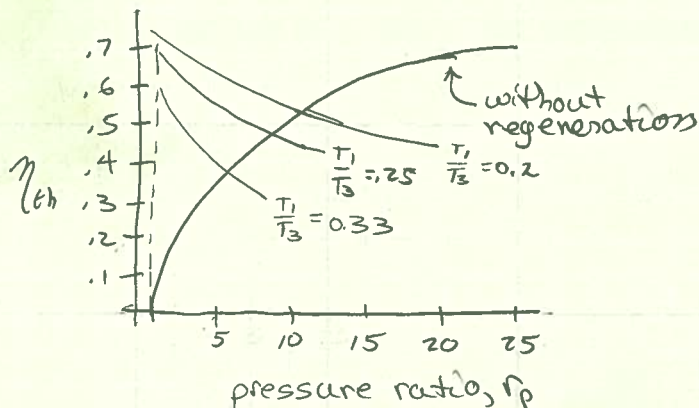
$$T_3 = T_{max}$$

$$T_1 = T_{min}$$

without regeneration

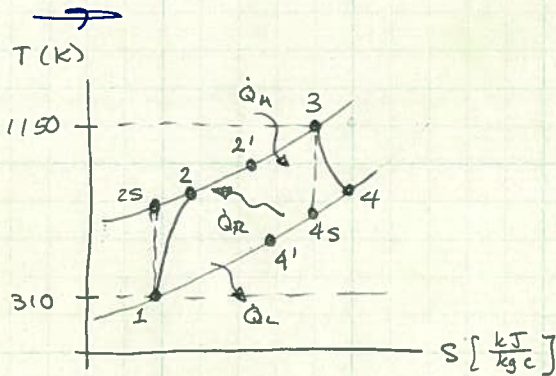
$$\eta_{th} = 1 - \frac{1}{r_p^{\frac{k-1}{k}}}$$

• note that the effects of k & r_p are reversed with regeneration as compared to a Brayton cycle without regeneration.



A Brayton cycle with regeneration using air as the working fluid has a pressure ratio of 7. The minimum and maximum temperatures in the cycle are 310 K and 1150 K. Assuming an isentropic efficiency of 75% for the compressor and 82% for the turbine and a regenerator effectiveness of 65%, determine:

- (a) the air temperature at the turbine exit,
- (b) the net work output, and
- (c) the thermal efficiency.



For air as an ideal gas (using tables):

$T_1 = 310 \text{ K} \rightarrow h_1 = 310.24 \text{ kJ/kg}$

• for $\Delta S = 0$, $\frac{P_{2s}}{P_1} = \frac{P_{r2}}{P_{r1}} \rightarrow h_{2s} = 541.26 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$\eta_c = 0.75 = \frac{h_{2s} - h_1}{h_2 - h_1} \rightarrow h_2 = 618.26 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$T_3 = 1150 \text{ K} \rightarrow h_3 = 1219.25 \text{ kJ/kg}$

• for $\Delta S = 0$, $\frac{P_{4s}}{P_3} = \frac{P_{r4}}{P_{r3}} \rightarrow h_{4s} = 711.80 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$\eta_t = 0.82 = \frac{h_3 - h_4}{h_3 - h_{4s}} \rightarrow h_4 = 803.14 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$T_4 = 782.8 \text{ K}$ (a)

$W_{net} = W_t - |W_c| = (h_3 - h_4) - (h_2 - h_1)$
 $= (1219.25 - 803.14 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}) - (618.26 - 310.24 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}})$
 $= 108.09 \text{ kJ/kg}$ (b)

$\epsilon_R = \frac{h_{2'} - h_2}{h_4 - h_2} = 0.65$

$h_{2'} = h_2 + \epsilon(h_4 - h_2) = 738.43 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$q_H = h_3 - h_{2'} = 480.82 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$\eta_{th} = \frac{W_{net}}{q_H} = \frac{108.09 \text{ kJ/kg}}{480.82 \text{ kJ/kg}} = 22.5\%$ (c)

Assuming Constant Specific Heats at low temperature

$C_p = 1.005 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}\cdot\text{K}}$

$k = 1.4$

$R = 0.2870 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}\cdot\text{K}}$

$T_1 = 310 \text{ K} \rightarrow h_1 = C_p T_1 = 311.55 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$S_1 = S_{2s} \rightarrow \left(\frac{T_{2s}}{T_1}\right) = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}} =$

$T_{2s} = 540.53 \text{ K}, h_{2s} = 543.2 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$\eta_c = 0.75 = \frac{h_{2s} - h_1}{h_2 - h_1} \rightarrow h_2 = 620.42 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$T_3 = 1150 \text{ K} \rightarrow h_3 = 1155.75 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$S_3 = S_{4s} \rightarrow \left(\frac{T_{4s}}{T_3}\right) = \left(\frac{P_4}{P_3}\right)^{\frac{k-1}{k}}$

$T_{4s} = 659.5 \text{ K} \rightarrow h_{4s} = 662.8 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$\eta_t = 0.82 = \frac{h_3 - h_4}{h_3 - h_{4s}} \rightarrow h_4 = 751.53 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

(a) $T_4 = 747.8 \text{ K}$

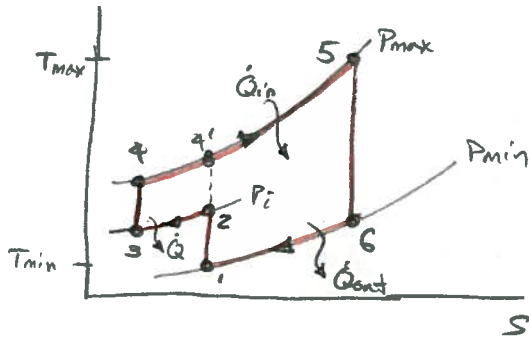
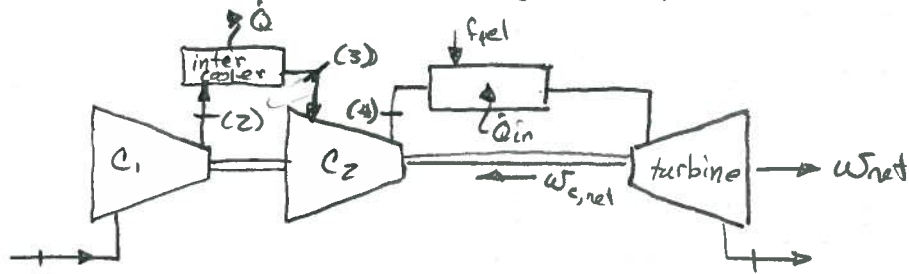
(b) $W_{net} = 95.35 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$h_{2'} = 705.64 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

$q_H = 450.11 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$

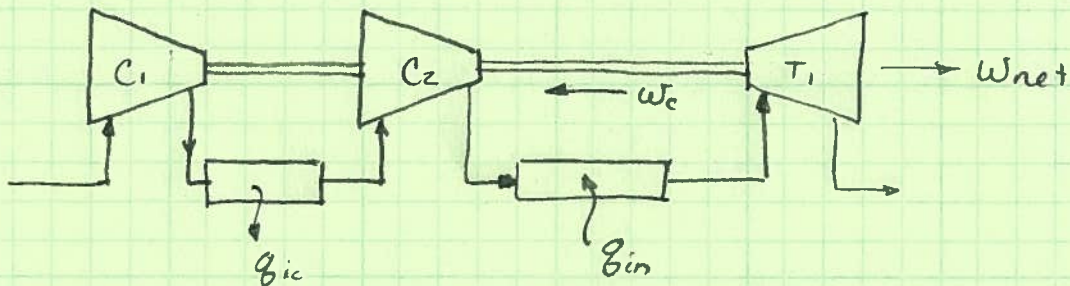
$\eta_{th} = 21.2\%$ (c)

Brayton Cycle - Multistage Compression with Intercooling



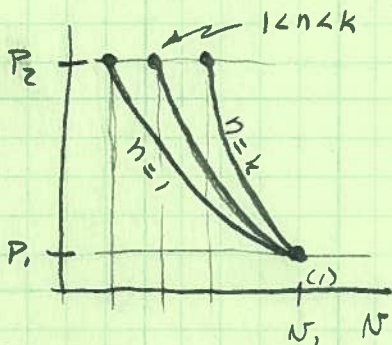
- multistage compression with intercooling produces a lower discharge temperature than that resulting from single-stage compression; $T_4 < T_4'$.
- more heat is required with multistage compression with intercooling; $h_5 - h_4 > h_5 - h_4'$ unless regeneration is used the theoretical efficiency of the cycle will be lower
- in practice, the cycle efficiency may improve due to improved compressor efficiency over the smaller ΔP .

Compressor Work - Multistage with Intercooling



- Which is more efficient, single-stage compression or multi-stage compression with intercooling?

- Polytropic Process, $PV^n = \text{constant}$



- for an isentropic process, $n=k$
 - smallest area under the curve; least amount of work required to compress from P_1 to P_2
- for an isothermal process, $n=1$
 - largest area under curve
 - $PV = RT = \text{constant} \Rightarrow T$ must be constant

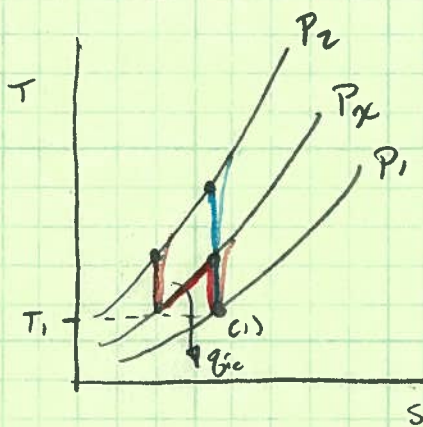
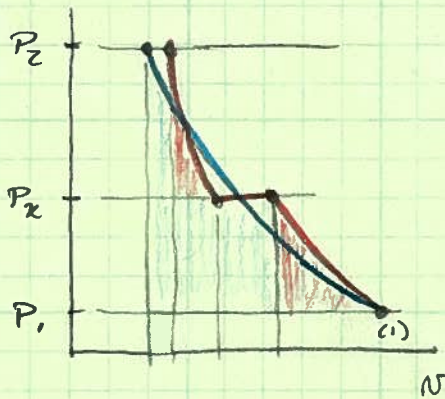
- For an ideal gas with constant specific heats,

$$W_c|_{\text{reversible}} = -\frac{R(T_2 - T_1)}{(1-n)/n} = -\frac{RT_1}{(n-1)/n} \left[\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{n}} - 1 \right] \quad ; n \neq 1$$

\uparrow
 v_p

- isentropic compression, $n=k$
- for an isothermal compression ($n=1$),

$$W_c = -RT \ln(P_2/P_1)$$



$$W_c = W_{c1} + W_{c2} = -\frac{RT_1}{(n-1)} \left[\left(\frac{P_x}{P_1} \right)^{\frac{n-1}{n}} - 1 \right] - \frac{RT_1}{(n-1)} \left[\left(\frac{P_2}{P_x} \right)^{\frac{n-1}{n}} - 1 \right]$$

• what value of P_x minimizes W_c ?

• when $\left(\frac{P_x}{P_1} \right) = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_x} \right) \rightarrow \boxed{\Gamma_{P_1} = \Gamma_{P_2}}$

• Pressure Rise per stage,

$$\Gamma_{P, \text{stage}} = \sqrt[N_c]{\Gamma_{P, \text{total}}}$$

$N_c \equiv \#$ of compressor stages

• for $\Gamma_p = 10$ with 3 stages,

$$\Gamma_{P, \text{stage}} = \sqrt[3]{10} = 2.154 \quad \left\{ \text{Not: } \frac{10}{3} = 3.33! \right\}$$

$P_1 = 1 \text{ bar}$

$P_3 = 9 \text{ bar}$

2 stages of compression

$$\Gamma_{P_s} = \sqrt[2]{\frac{9}{1}} = 3$$

stage 1: $1 \text{ bar} \times \Gamma_{P_s} = 3 \text{ bar}$

stage 2: $3 \text{ bar} \times \Gamma_{P_s} = 9 \text{ bar}$

Ideal Gas Turbine

2 stages of compression

2 stages of expansion

$$r_{p|total} = 8$$

$$T_{c,in} = 300 \text{ K (both stages)}$$

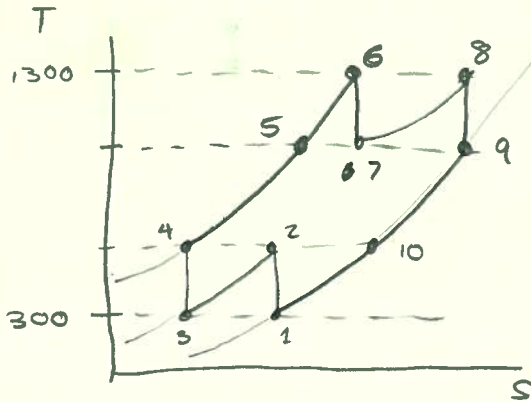
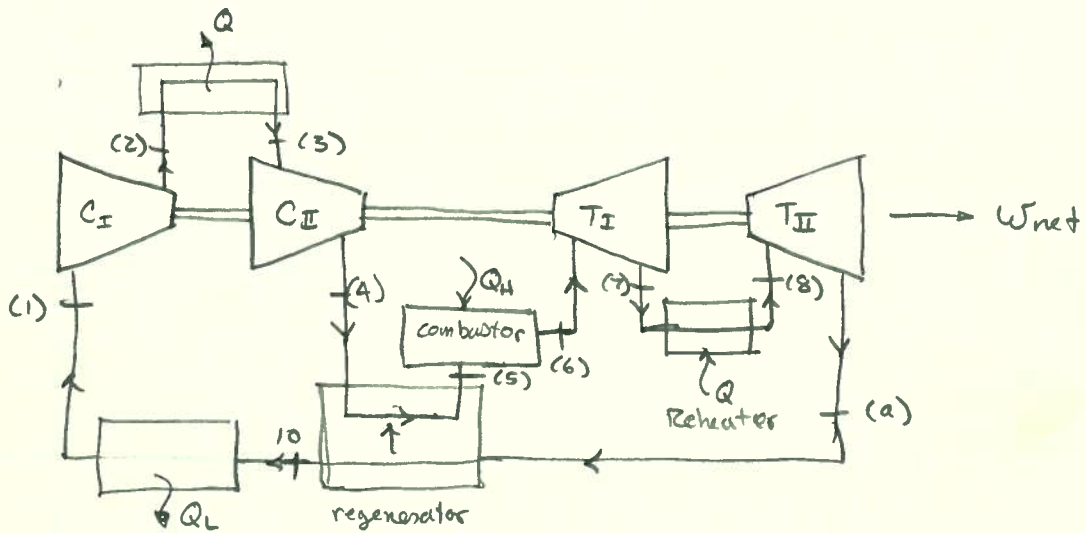
$$T_{t,in} = 1300 \text{ K (both stages)}$$

Back Work Ratio = ?

$$\eta_{th} = ?$$

(a) no regenerator

(b) ideal regenerator, $\epsilon_R = 1$



$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = \frac{P_4}{P_3} = \sqrt[2]{8} = 2.83$$

$$\frac{P_6}{P_7} = \frac{P_8}{P_9} = \sqrt[2]{8} = 2.83$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T_1 = T_3, h_1 = h_3 \\ T_2 = T_4, h_2 = h_4 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{compressor inlets/exits}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T_6 = T_8, h_6 = h_8 \\ T_7 = T_9, h_7 = h_9 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{turbine inlets/exits}$$

$$\therefore W_{cI} = W_{cII}$$

$$W_{tI} = W_{tII}$$

no regen

$$\left. \begin{aligned} T_1 = 300\text{K} &\rightarrow h_1 = 300.19 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ T_2 = 403.3\text{K} &\rightarrow h_2 = 404.31 \text{ kJ/kg} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{from ideal gas - air tables}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_6 = 1300\text{K} &\rightarrow h_6 = 1395.97 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ T_7 = 1006.4 &\rightarrow h_7 = 1053.33 \text{ kJ/kg} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} W_c = +2 W_{cI} = 2(h_2 - h_1) &= 208.24 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ W_e = 2 W_{eI} = 2(h_6 - h_7) &= 685.28 \text{ kJ/kg} \end{aligned} \right\} W_{\text{net}} = 477.04 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$q_{\text{in}} = q_{\text{primary}} + q_{\text{reheat}} = (h_6 - h_4) + (h_8 - h_7) = 1334.30 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$\text{Back Work Ratio} = 0.304$$

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 0.358$$

w/o reheat & intercooling & regen.

$$\text{BWR} = 0.403$$

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 0.426$$

with regen

ideal, $\Delta P = 0$, $\epsilon_r = 1 \rightarrow$ does not affect W_c or W_e

$$h_5 = h_7 = h_9$$

$$q_{\text{in}} = q_{\text{primary}} + q_{\text{reheat}} = (h_6 - h_5) + (h_8 - h_7) = 658.28 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

• Back Work Ratio is same = 0.304

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 0.696$$

Intercooling, reheat & regeneration can be combined in the same cycle,

$$W_{net} = W_t - |W_c| = c_p \left\{ T_3 \eta_t (N_t + 1) \left[1 - \frac{1}{r_{p_i}^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right] - T_1 \left(\frac{N_c + 1}{\eta_c} \right) \left[r_{p_c}^{\frac{k-1}{k}} - 1 \right] \right\}$$

$$Q_{in} = c_p T_3 \left\{ (N_t + 1) - (N_t + \epsilon_R) \left[1 - \eta_c \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_{p_i}^{\frac{k-1}{k}}} \right) \right] \right\} - c_p T_1 (1 - \epsilon_R) \left[1 + \frac{1}{\eta_c} \left(r_{p_c}^{\frac{k-1}{k}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

η_t \equiv turbine efficiency

N_t \equiv number of reheat processes

η_c \equiv compressor efficiency

N_c \equiv number of intercoolers

$$\left. \begin{aligned} r_{p_c} &= r_{p_T} ; r_{p_{t_i}} = \sqrt[N_t+1]{r_{p_T}} \\ r_{p_{c_i}} &= \sqrt[N_c+1]{r_{p_c}} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

changed definition
of N_t & N_c

A combined gas-steam-turbine power plant is designed with four 50-MW_e gas turbines and one 120-MW_e steam turbine.

Gas Turbines:

Compressor Inlet Temperature = 505°R

Turbine Inlet Temperature = 2450°R

pressure ratio (comp. & turbine) = 5

$\eta_c = \eta_t = 0.87$

$\eta_m = 0.96$

The gases leave the turbine and go to a heat-recovery boiler then to a regenerator.

$\epsilon_R = 0.87$

200% theoretical air (use CH₄ as fuel)

Supplemental firing raises gas temperature to 2000°F (full load).

Steam Cycle

Turbine Inlet Pressure = 1200 psia

Turbine Inlet Temperature = 1460°R

± open feedwater heater, 920°R

Condenser Pressure = 1 psia

$\eta_t = 0.87$

$\eta_m = 0.96$

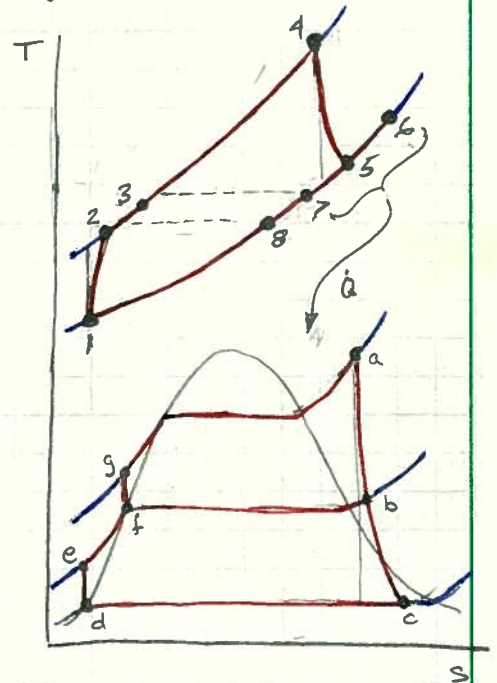
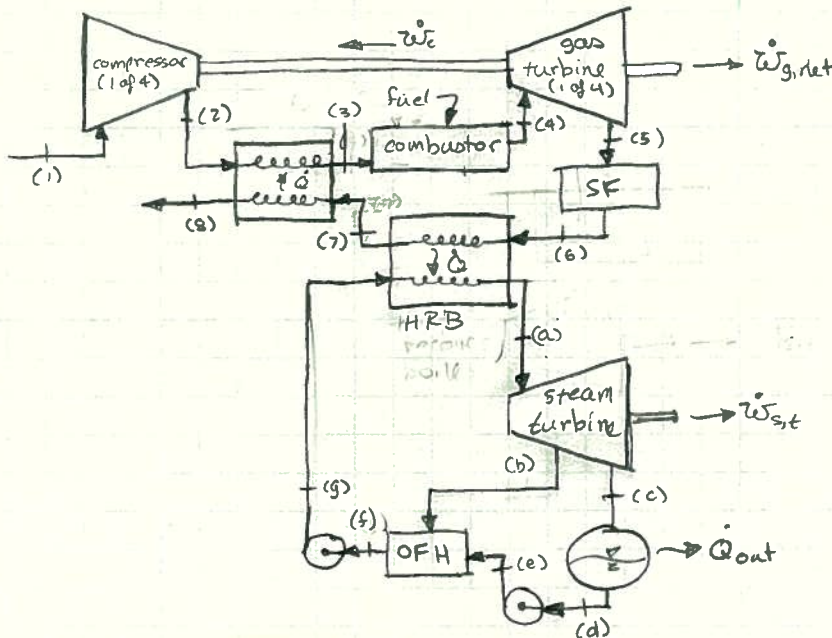
- ignore pump work -

Generator

$\eta_e = 0.96$

Draw the flow & T-s diagrams, find:

- (a) m_{steam} [lbm steam/hr]
- (b) m_{gas} [lbm gas/hr/turbine]
- (c) Q_{in} (combustor & supplemental firing) [Btu/hr]
- (d) T_{stack} of gas exhaust [°F]
- (e) η_{th} at full load for combined cycle
- (f) η_{th} w/ ± gas turbine & no supplemental firing or regeneration.



Gas Cycle

(1) Dry Air (Table I-1)

$$T_1 = 505^\circ\text{R}$$

$$P_{r1} = 1.0970$$

$$h_1 = 120.675 \text{ Btu/lb air}$$

(2) Dry Air (Table I-1)

$$P_{r2} = r_p \cdot P_{r1} = 5.4848$$

$$h_{2s} = 191.39 \text{ Btu/lb air (interpolation)}$$

$$h_2 = h_1 + \frac{1}{\eta_c} (h_{2s} - h_1) = 201.96 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lb air}} ; T_2 =$$

$$T_2 = 798.3^\circ\text{R}$$

(3) Dry Air — need to balance energy across regenerator

(4) 200% Theoretical Air (Table I-2)

$$T_4 = 2450^\circ\text{R}$$

$$P_{r4} = 511.9$$

$$\bar{h}_4 = 19080.7 \text{ Btu/lbmol gas}$$

• for $\text{CH}_{2.145}$, the 200% theoretical air is $A/F = 29.82$ (see problem 8-13)

$$\frac{m_{\text{gas}}}{m_{\text{air}}} = 1 + \frac{1}{A/F} = 1.0335 \frac{\text{lbm gas}}{\text{lbm air}}$$

$$\bullet M_{(200\% \text{ Theoretical Air})} = 28.880 \frac{\text{lbm gas}}{\text{lbmol gas}}$$

$$h_4 = \left(\frac{\bar{h}_4}{M} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{A/F} \right) = 682.82 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}}$$

(5) 200% Th. Air (Table I-2)

$$P_{r5} = P_{r4} / r_p = 102.38$$

$$\bar{h}_{5s} = 12,539.5 \text{ Btu/lbmol gas}$$

$$\bar{h}_5 = \bar{h}_4 - \eta_c (\bar{h}_4 - \bar{h}_{5s}) = 13,389.9 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbmol gas}}$$

$$h_5 = \frac{\bar{h}_5}{M} \left(1.0335 \frac{\text{lbm gas}}{\text{lbm air}} \right) = 479.17 \text{ Btu/lb air}$$

(6) 200% Theor. Air (Table I-3)

$$T_6 = 2000^\circ\text{F}$$

$$P_{r6} = 211.6$$

$$\bar{h}_6 = 15,189.3 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbmol gas}}$$

$$h_6 = 543.56 \text{ Btu/lb air}$$

(7) 200% theoretical air — need to balance energy across heat recovery steam generator

Gas Cycle Work:

$$w_t = h_4 - h_5 = 203.65 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} w_{\text{net}} = 122.37 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}}$$

$$w_c = h_2 - h_1 = 81.29 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}}$$

$$\dot{w}_{\text{net}} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{net}, e}}{\eta_m \cdot \eta_e} = \frac{(50,000 \text{ kW}_e)(3412 \frac{\text{Btu/hr}}{\text{kW}})}{(0.96 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{kWh}})(0.96 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{kWh}})} = 185.11 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}} \leftarrow \text{single turbine}$$

$$\dot{m}_{\text{air}} = \frac{\dot{w}_{\text{net}}}{w_{\text{net}}} = 1.513 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{lbm air}}{\text{hr}} \leftarrow \text{single turbine}$$

$$6.124 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{lbm air}}{\text{hr}} \leftarrow 4 \text{ turbines}$$

(b)

Steam Cycle

(a) Superheated Steam

$$T_a = 1460^\circ\text{R}$$

$$P_a = 1200 \text{ psia}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} h_a &= 1500 \text{ Btu/lbm steam} \\ s_a &= 1.6303 \text{ Btu/lbm}^\circ\text{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{from EES} \\ \text{(steam-IAPWS)} \end{array}$$

(b) Superheated Steam

$$T_{\text{sat}} = 920^\circ\text{R}$$

$$P_b = 468.3 \text{ psia}$$

$$s_{bs} = s_a = 1.6303 \text{ Btu/lbm}^\circ\text{R}$$

$$h_{bs} = 1370.8 \text{ Btu/lbm}$$

$$h_b = h_a - \eta_t (h_a - h_{bs}) = 1388 \text{ Btu/lbm steam}$$

(c) Saturated Mixture

$$P_c = 1 \text{ psia}$$

$$s_{cs} = s_a = 1.6303 \text{ Btu/lbm}^\circ\text{R}$$

$$x_{cs} = 0.8118$$

$$h_{cs} = 910.5 \text{ Btu/lbm}$$

$$h_c = h_a - \eta_t (h_a - h_{cs}) = 987.2 \text{ Btu/lbm steam}$$

(d) Saturated Liquid

$$P_d = 1 \text{ psia}$$

$$h_d = h_f = 69.72 \text{ Btu/lbm steam}$$

$$v_d = v_f = 0.01614 \text{ ft}^3/\text{lbm}$$

(e) Compressed Liquid

$$P_e = P_b = 468.3 \text{ psia}$$

$$h_e = h_d + v_d (P_e - P_d) = 7.16 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm steam}} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{watch} \\ \text{units!} \end{array} \right]$$

$$1 \text{ Btu} = 778.17 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb}_f$$

$$1 \text{ ft}^2 = 144 \text{ in}^2$$

(f) Saturated liquid

$$h_f = h_f(\text{sat}) = 441.9 \text{ Btu/lbm steam}$$

$$v_f = 0.01962 \text{ ft}^3/\text{lbm}$$

$$P_f = P_b = 468.3 \text{ psia}$$

(g) Compressed Liquid

$$P_g = P_a = 1200 \text{ psia}$$

$$h_g = h_f + v_f (P_g - P_f) = 444.56 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm steam}}$$

Open Feed Water Heater:

$$\dot{m} = \dot{m}_b + \dot{m}_c \rightarrow 1 = M_b + M_c$$

$$\dot{m} h_f = \dot{m}_b h_b + \dot{m}_c h_c \rightarrow M_b = \frac{h_f - h_c}{h_b - h_c} = 0.2782$$

$$M_c = 1 - M_b = 0.7218$$

Steam Turbine:

$$w_t = (h_a - h_b) + (1 - M_b)(h_b - h_c) = 401.7 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm steam}}$$

$$\dot{W}_t = \frac{\dot{W}_{s,e}}{\eta_m \cdot \eta_e} = \frac{(120,000 \text{ kW}) (3412 \frac{\text{Btu/hr}}{\text{kW}})}{(0.96 \text{ Wm/Ws}) (0.96 \text{ We/Wm})} = 444.27 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}}$$

(a)

$$\dot{m}_{\text{steam}} = \frac{\dot{W}_t}{w_t} = 1.106 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}}$$

Heat Recovery Steam Generator:

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{m}_{\text{steam}} (h_a - h_g) = 1.167 \cdot 10^9 \text{ Btu/hr}$$

$$\dot{Q} = 4 \cdot \dot{m}_{\text{air}} (h_6 - h_7) \rightarrow h_7 = 350.73 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}}$$

• we need to find T_2 to balance the regenerator

$$h_7 = h_7 \cdot M / 1.0335 \frac{\text{lbm gas}}{\text{lbm air}} = 9800.76 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbmol gas}}$$

$$T_7 = 1343^\circ \text{R}$$

• we need to convert back to 200% Theoretical Air in order to get the correct temperature for the exhaust

Regenerator:

$$\epsilon_R = \frac{T_3 - T_2}{T_7 - T_2} = \frac{T_7 - T_8}{T_7 - T_2}$$

$$T_3 = 1272^\circ \text{R} \rightarrow h_3 = 9242.98 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbmol gas}}$$

$$T_8 = 869^\circ \text{R} \quad h_3 = 330.77 \text{ Btu/lbm air}$$

(d)

Heat Addition:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{combustor: } \dot{Q}_4 = 4 \dot{m}_{\text{air}} (h_4 - h_3) = 2.131 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}} \\ \text{supplemental firing: } \dot{Q}_6 = 4 \dot{m} (h_6 - h_5) = 0.394 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}} \end{array} \right\} \dot{Q}_{\text{in}} = 2.525 \cdot 10^9 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}} \quad (c)$$

(e)

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = \frac{\dot{W}_{t, \text{steam}} + \dot{W}_{t, \text{gas}}}{\dot{Q}_{\text{in}}} = \frac{(444.27 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}}) + 4 (185.11 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr}})}{(2.525 \cdot 10^9 \text{ Btu/hr})} = 0.4691$$

↑ cycle, not plant

$$\eta_{\text{plant}} = \frac{(120,000 \text{ kW} + 4 \cdot 50,000 \text{ kW}) (3412 \frac{\text{Btu/hr}}{\text{kW}})}{(2.525 \cdot 10^9 \text{ Btu/hr})} = 0.4324$$

■ No Supplemental Firing or Regeneration, 1 gas turbine:

$$\eta_{th} = \frac{W_{net}}{h_1 - h_2} = \frac{122.37 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}}}{(682.82 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}} - 201.96 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}})} = \frac{122.37}{480.86} = 0.2545$$

$$\eta_{plant} = \frac{(50,000 \text{ kW}) (3412 \frac{\text{Btu/hr}}{\text{kW}})}{(1.513 \cdot 10^6 \frac{\text{lbm air}}{\text{hr}}) (480.86 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{lbm air}})} = 0.2345$$