

wb1224 - Thermodynamics 2

Lecture 13 – II-Law efficiency

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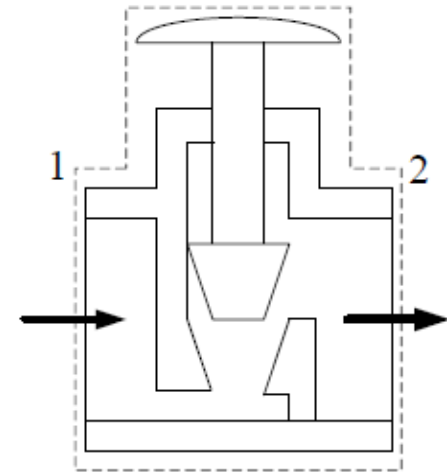
Exergy balance for a throttling valve

$$\dot{M}(e_{f,2} - e_{f,1}) = \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_b}\right) \dot{Q}^0 - \dot{W} - \dot{\mathcal{E}}_d$$

- All the exergy is wasted
- Difference with a turbine: molecular motion

- Data: CO₂

$\dot{M} = 0.5 \text{ kg/s}$
$T_1 = 100 \text{ °C}$
$P_1 = 90 \text{ bar}$
$P_2 = 50 \text{ bar}$
$T_0 = 25 \text{ °C}$
$P_0 = 1.013 \text{ bar}$

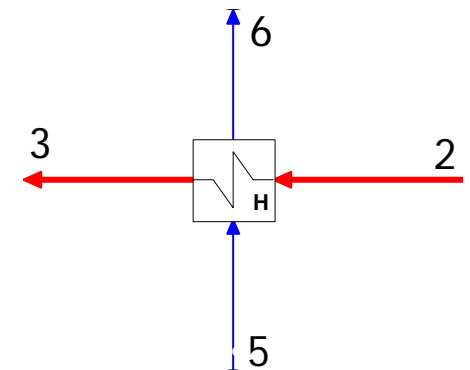
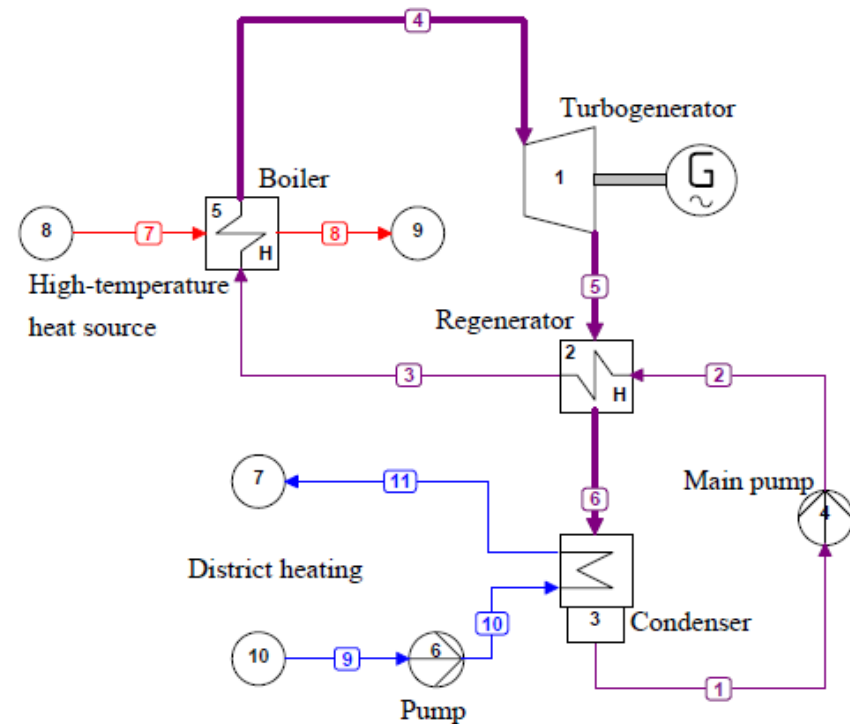




Exergy balance for a heat exchanger

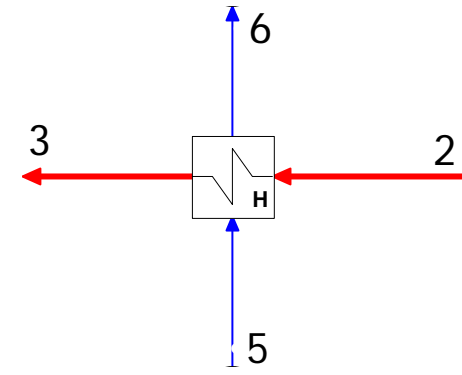
- Calculate
 - The rate of exergy destruction
 - Change in flow exergy for both streams
- Perfect insulation
- Data
 - Working fluid: Siloxane MDM

$T_0 = 10 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	
$P_0 = 1.013 \text{ bar}$	
$\dot{M} = 13.5 \text{ kg/s}$	
$P_2 = 28.0 \text{ bar}$	$P_5 = 0.8 \text{ bar}$
$T_2 = 146.2 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	$T_5 = 183.2 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
$P_3 = 27.0 \text{ bar}$	$P_6 = 0.8 \text{ bar}$
$T_3 = 161.0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$	





$$\underbrace{\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{f,2} + \dot{\mathcal{E}}_{f,5}}_{\text{rate of exergy input}} = \underbrace{\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{f,2} + \dot{\mathcal{E}}_{f,5} + \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_b}\right) \dot{\Phi}}_{\text{rate of exergy output}} + \underbrace{\dot{\mathcal{E}}_d}_{\text{rate of exergy destruction}}$$



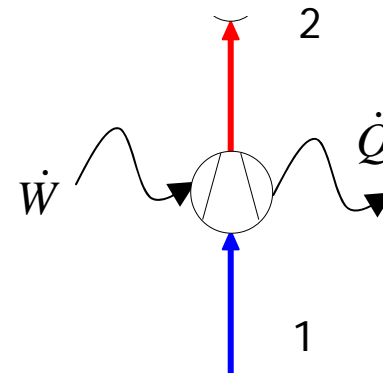
Comments on results

- Flow exergy increase of the liquid stream is lower than the decrease of the vapor stream
- Exergy destruction (entropy production) → heat transfer and flow friction
- Indicator of thermodynamic loss due to heat transfer → temperature difference between hot and cold stream
- Flow friction → Pressure drop in the pipes

Exergy balance for a compressor

- Calculate the rate of exergy destruction
- Constant temperature at the interface with the environment
- Data
 - Working fluid: air

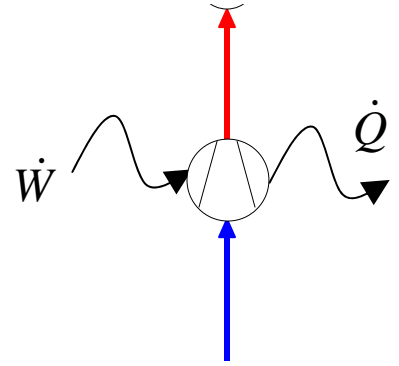
$T_0 = 25 \text{ °C}$	$P_0 = 1.013 \text{ bar}$
$\dot{M} = 20 \text{ kg/s}$	
$\dot{Q} = 200 \text{ kW}$	$T_b = 135 \text{ °C}$
$P_1 = 1.013 \text{ bar}$	$P_2 = 4.0 \text{ bar}$
$T_1 = 25 \text{ °C}$	$T_2 = 234.5 \text{ °C}$
$v_1 = 200 \text{ m/s}$	$v_2 = 100 \text{ m/s}$



$$\dot{M} (e_{f,2} - e_{f,1}) = \dot{W} - \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_b}\right) \dot{Q} - \dot{\mathcal{E}}_d$$



$$\dot{\mathcal{E}}_d = \dot{W} - \dot{M}(\mathbf{e}_{f,2} - \mathbf{e}_{f,1}) - \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_b}\right) \dot{Q}$$



Comment on results

Net rate of flow exergy out	3.09 MW	72.6 %
Mechanical power in (exergy rate with mech. power)	4.25 MW	100 %
Thermal power out (exergy rate with heat transfer)	0.05 MW	1.3 %
Rate of exergy destruction (flow friction)	1.11 MW	26.1 %

- Most of the exergy associated with input mechanical power goes into flow exergy
- Some exergy is destroyed within the flow by friction
- Exergy accompanying heat transfer is small

Causes of exergy losses

- Thermo-mechanical systems
- Exergy loss is related to entropy production
- Flow friction: mechanical energy of a fluid in motion is dissipated into heat because of viscosity
- Heat transfer, mixing, chemical reactions

Exergetic efficiency (1)

- Efficiency: comparison with an ideal process → reference definition!
- For a thermal power station: Carnot cycle
- For a refrigerator: inverse Carnot cycle

- II-law efficiency (exergetic efficiency): $\eta_{II} = \frac{\eta_I}{\eta_{\max}} \quad ; \quad \eta_{II} = \frac{\text{COP}}{\text{COP}_{\max}}$

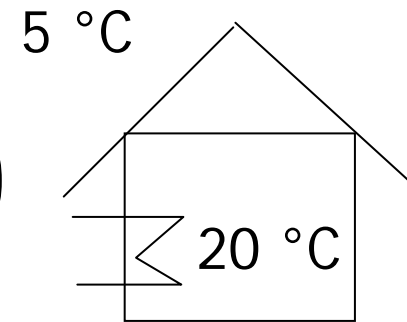
- If no mech. power \Leftrightarrow thermal power → reference is process with $\dot{\mathcal{E}}_d = 0$
(e.g. reactor, gasifier)

Exergetic efficiency (2)

- Better index for thermodynamic quality with respect to η_I
- With η_I one could assume that 100 % available energy $\Rightarrow W_{\text{mech.}}$
- In general

$$\eta_{II} \equiv \frac{\text{Rate of exergy obtained}}{\text{Rate of exergy provided}}$$

Example: domestic heating (1)



- Comparison between an electric heater and a heat pump
- Outside temperature is 5 °C and thermo-stated temp. 20 °C

- $$\text{COP}_{\text{max}} \equiv \text{COP}_{\text{inverse Carnot}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{T_0}{T_{\text{set}}}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{278.15 \text{ K}}{293.15 \text{ K}}} = 19.5$$

- For the electrical heater, neglecting minor losses $\text{COP} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{\text{useful}}}{\dot{W}_{\text{needed}}} = 1$

$$\text{COP}_{\text{II, electrical heater}} = \frac{\text{COP}}{\text{COP}_{\text{max}}} = \frac{1}{19.5} = 0.051 = 5.1\%$$

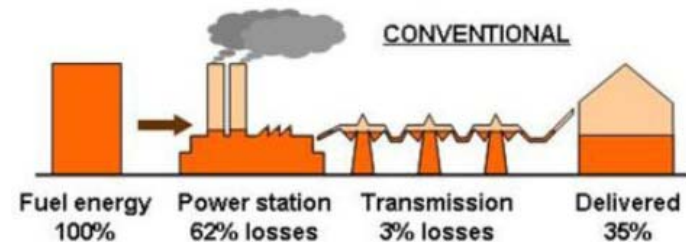
Example: domestic heating (2)

- Typical first-law efficiency of a heat pump for these operating conditions is $\text{COP} = 4.7$

- $$\text{COP}_{\text{II,heat pump}} = \frac{\text{COP}}{\text{COP}_{\text{max}}} = \frac{4.67}{19.5} = 0.24 = 24.0\%$$

- Comparison with natural-gas boiler \Rightarrow the whole chain starting from the fuel must be considered

- Best exergetic solution?



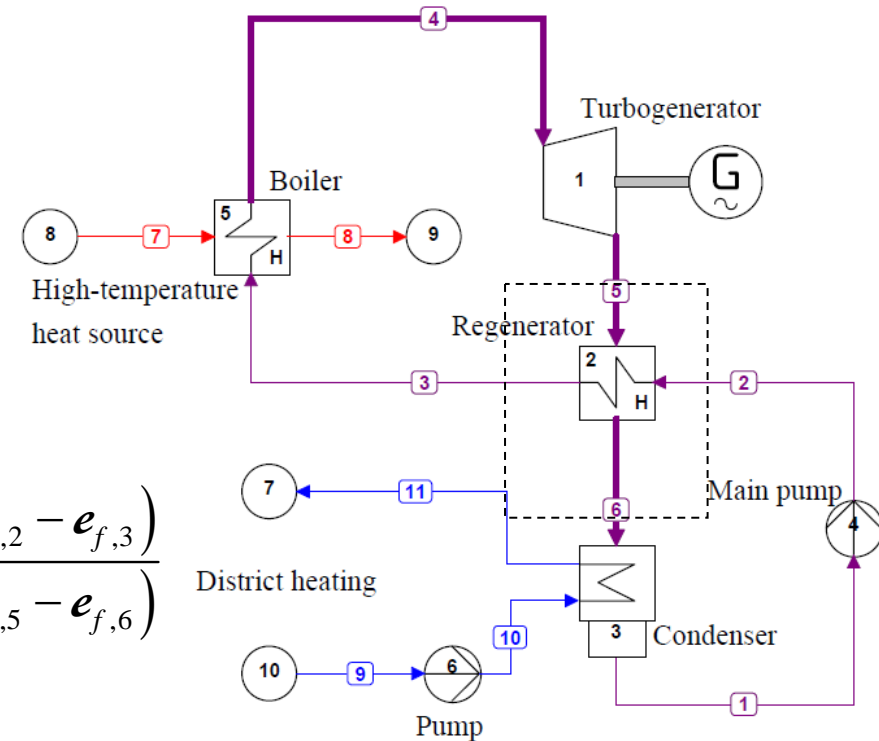
Example: η_{II} of heat exchanger (1)

- Assumptions:
 - Kinetic and potential energy change of streams are negligible
 - Perfectly insulated
 - Steady state

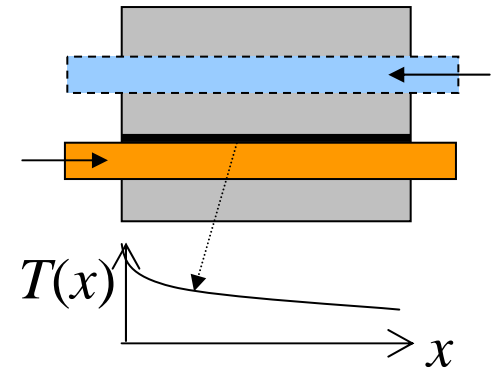
$$\eta_{II} = \frac{\text{Rate of exergy obtained}}{\text{Rate of exergy provided}} = \frac{\dot{M}_2 (e_{f,2} - e_{f,3})}{\dot{M}_5 (e_{f,5} - e_{f,6})}$$

$$= \frac{\dot{M}_2 \left[(h_2 - h_3) - T_0 (s_2 - s_3) \right]}{\dot{M}_5 \left[(h_5 - h_6) - T_0 (s_5 - s_6) \right]}$$

- The useful effect is the increase of temperature of the liquid



Equivalent thermodynamic temperature (1)



- Consider one stream of the heat exchanger, variable temperature along pipes \Rightarrow steady state exergy balance

$$\dot{M} (e_{f,\text{in}} - e_{f,\text{out}}) = \int_{x_{\text{in}}}^{x_{\text{out}}} \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T(x)} \right) \cdot \dot{q}(x) dx$$

- $\dot{q}(x)$ is the heat flux per unit length
- The only source of exergy destruction is flow friction and this is negligible for most applications ($\dot{\mathcal{E}}_d \approx 0$)
- We can introduce the equiv. thermod. temp. and obtain

$$\dot{M} (e_{f,\text{in}} - e_{f,\text{out}}) = \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{\bar{T}} \right) \dot{Q}$$

Equivalent thermodynamic temperature (2)

- The equivalent thermodynamic temperature is defined as the constant temperature at which the heat transfer should occur in order to generate the same amount of exergy transfer.

- We note that in $\dot{M} (e_{f,\text{in}} - e_{f,\text{out}}) = \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{\bar{T}}\right) \dot{Q} \quad \dot{Q} = \dot{M} (h_{\text{out}} - h_{\text{in}})$

- Therefore we can write

$$\dot{M} \left[(h_{\text{out}} - h_{\text{in}}) - T_0 (s_{\text{out}} - s_{\text{in}}) \right] = \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{\bar{T}}\right) \dot{M} (h_{\text{out}} - h_{\text{in}})$$

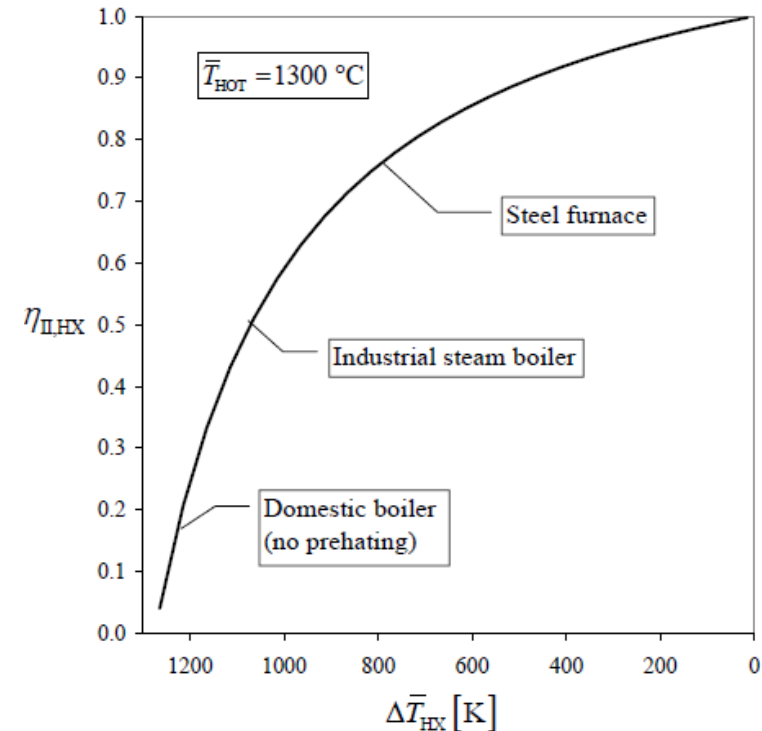
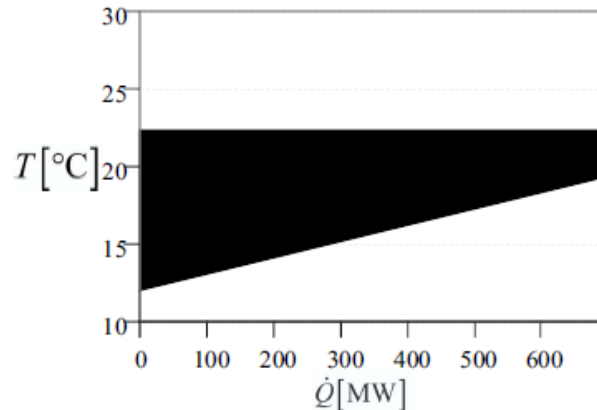
- The equivalent thermodynamic temperature is thus

$$\bar{T} = \frac{s_{\text{out}} - s_{\text{in}}}{h_{\text{out}} - h_{\text{in}}}$$

Exergetic efficiency of HX with \bar{T}

$$\eta_{II,HX} = \frac{\dot{M} (e_{f,in} - e_{f,out})_{HOT}}{\dot{M} (e_{f,in} - e_{f,out})_{COLD}} = \frac{\left(1 - \frac{T_0}{\bar{T}_{HOT}}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{T_0}{\bar{T}_{COLD}}\right)}$$

The thermodynamic quality of heat transfer depends on average temperature difference

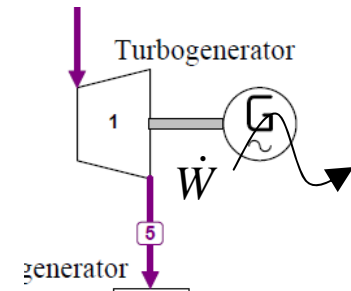


Example: turbine

- Assumptions:
 - Kinetic and potential energy change of streams are negligible
 - Perfectly insulated
 - Steady state

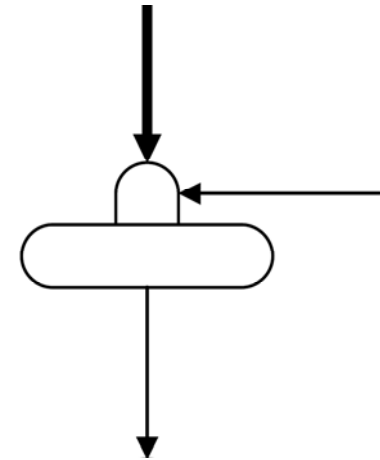
$$\dot{M} (e_{f,\text{in}} - e_{f,\text{out}}) = \dot{W} + \dot{\mathcal{E}}_d$$

$$\eta_{\text{II,turb}} = \frac{\dot{W}}{\dot{M} (e_{f,\text{in}} - e_{f,\text{out}})}$$



Exergetic efficiency takes into account the temperature and pressure at which energy is made available (comparison of 2 turbines operating at different T and P)

Example: mixer (dearator)



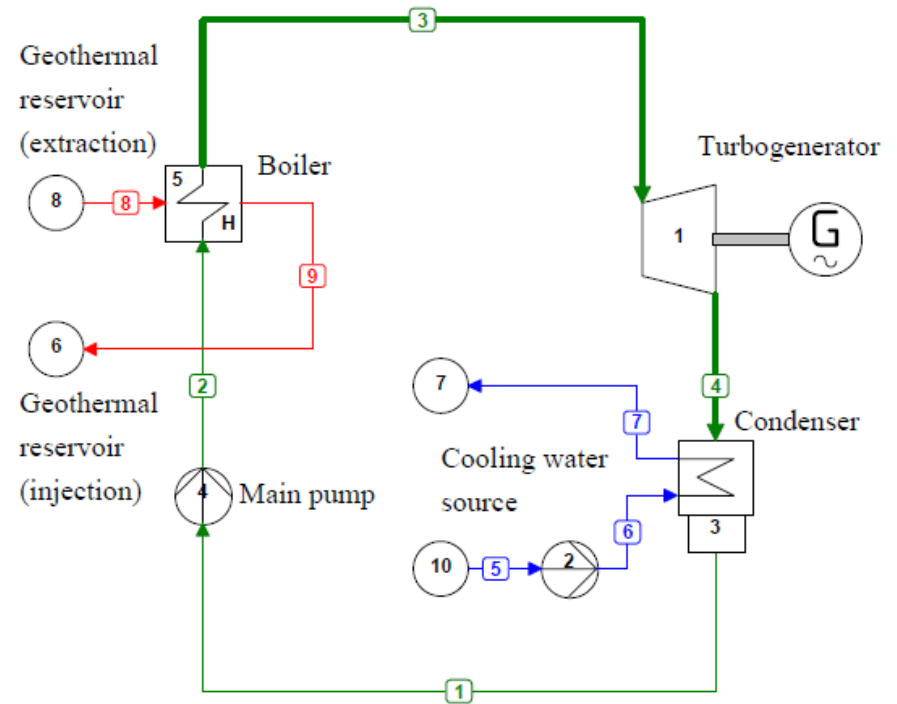
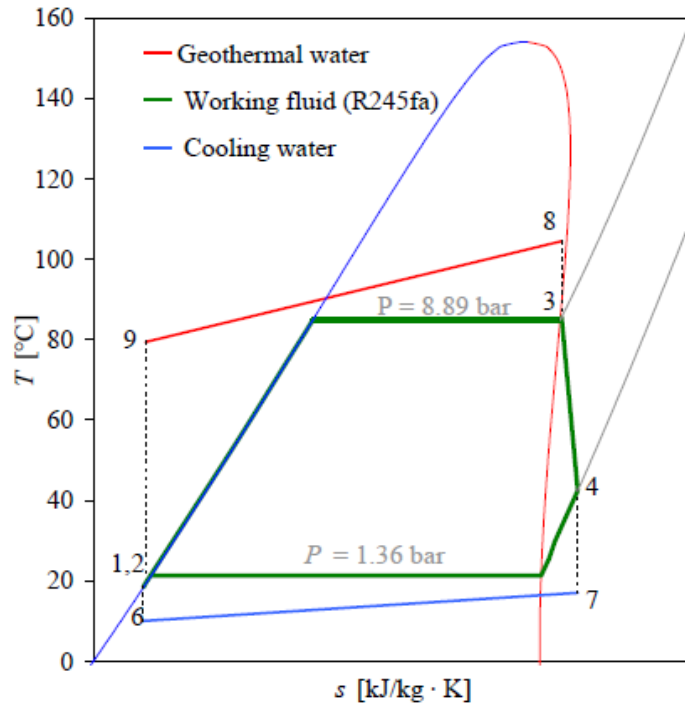
- Common in many processes
- Power plant: dearator (or contact heat exchanger)
- Same assumptions

$$\begin{cases} \dot{M}_1 e_{f,1} + \dot{M}_2 e_{f,2} = \dot{M}_3 e_{f,3} + \dot{\mathcal{E}}_d \\ \dot{M}_1 + \dot{M}_2 = \dot{M}_3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \dot{M}_2 (e_{f,2} - e_{f,3}) = \dot{M}_1 (e_{f,3} - e_{f,1}) + \dot{\mathcal{E}}_d$$

$$\eta_{\text{II,mixer}} = \frac{\dot{M}_1 (e_{f,3} - e_{f,1})}{\dot{M}_2 (e_{f,2} - e_{f,3})}$$

Exergetic efficiency shows how much of the exergy of the hot stream is transferred to the cold stream

Exergy analysis of a simple ORC power plant (1)



Calculate exergy losses of all the ORC components

Exergy analysis of a simple ORC power plant (2)

Data

- Boiler pressure $P_{\text{boiler}} = 8.89 \text{ bar}$
- Turbine inlet temperature $T_{\text{in,turb}} = 85.6 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- Condensation pressure $P_{\text{cond}} = 1.36 \text{ bar}$
- Isentropic efficiency of the turbine $\eta_{\text{turb}} = 0.80$
- Isentropic efficiency of the feeding pump $\eta_{\text{pump}} = 0.35$
- Min. temperature difference in the boiler $\Delta T_{\text{boiler}} = 4 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- Min. temperature difference in the condenser $\Delta T_{\text{cond}} = 4 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- Mass flow of geothermal water $\dot{M} = 22.5 \text{ kg/s}$

Exergy analysis of a simple ORC power plant (3)

State no.	Model	Fluid	M [kg/s]	P [bar]	T [°C]	h [kJ/kg]	s [kJ/kg.K]	Component	Power [kW]
1	RefProp	R245fa	9.913	1.36	22.69	229.4	1.1032	Boiler	2328.0
2	RefProp	R245fa	9.913	8.89	23.74	231	1.1067	Turbine	273.4
3	RefProp	R245fa	9.913	8.89	85.60	465.9	1.7852	Pump	18.7
4	RefProp	R245fa	9.913	1.36	40.89	438.3	1.8075	Condenser	2070.4
5	IF97	Water	70.746	1.013	10.00	42.09	0.1510		
6	IF97	Water	70.746	1.513	10.01	42.17	0.1511		
7	IF97	Water	70.746	1.013	17.01	71.43	0.2533		
8	IF97	Water	22.5	6.00	104.00	436.3	1.3514		
9	IF97	Water	22.5	6.00	79.40	332.8	1.0678		

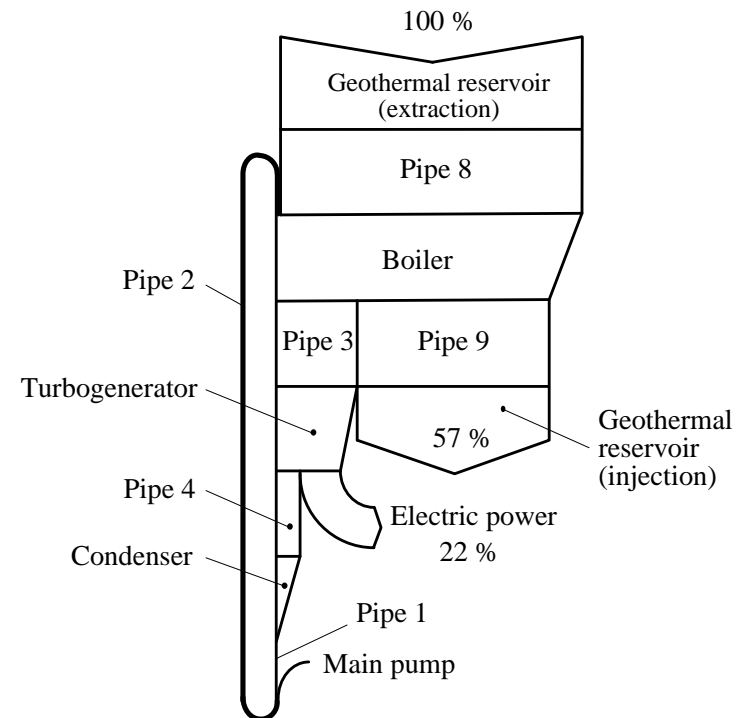
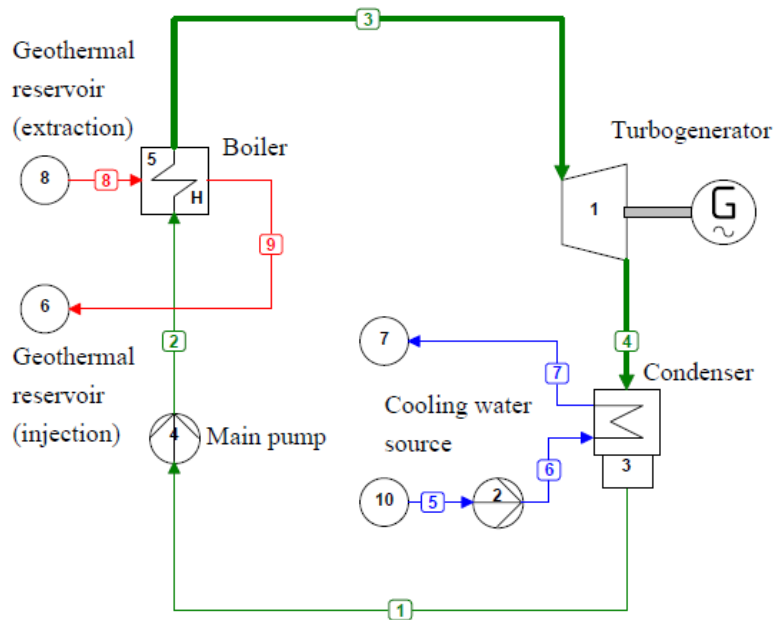
Exergy analysis of a simple ORC power plant (5)

Solving exergy balance for exergy losses

- Boiler is largest
- Condenser and turbine similar
- Boiler: add heat transfer surface, but additional cost
- Turbine fluid dynamics performance: R&D

Component	Exergy loss	Exergy Eff.
	[kW]	[%]
Boiler	97.69	81.3
Turbine	62.61	81.4
Pump	12.70	32.2
Condenser	70.77	24.4

Grassman diagram



Concluding remarks

- Comparison combined cycle plant ($\eta_I=59\%$) and geothermal ORC plant ($\eta_I=10\%$)
- Better comparing η_{II} : $\eta_{II,CCP} = 0.52$ and $\eta_{II,ORC} = 0.58$
- Exergoeconomics
- Life-cycle analysis
- Arbitrariness: definition of exergy obtained and provided, definition of the system, conditions