

6.6 Analysis of Simple Vapor Compression

Refrigeration Cycle:

(a) Mass of Refrigerant in Circulation:

Refrigeration effect = $(h_B - h_A)$ kJ/kg of refrigerant

$$\text{Or, mass of refrigerant in circulation, } m_r = \frac{3.5 * 60}{(h_B - h_A)} \text{ kg / min- ton}$$

(b) Piston Displacement:

Let the specific volume of the vapor at B i.e at suction of the compressor be, v_B and let the volumetric efficiency of the compressor be η_{vol} , then piston displacement required per min.

$$\text{Piston displacement} = \frac{v_B m_r}{\eta_{vol}} \text{ (m}^3 \text{ / min- ton)}$$

(c) Power Required by Compressor:

(i) If the compression is isentropic, then,

$$\text{Work of compression} = (h_C - h_B) \text{ kJ/kg}$$

$$\text{Hence, Power required} = \frac{m_r (h_C - h_B)}{60} \text{ (kw / ton)}$$

(ii) If the compression is polytropic ($Pv^n = C$).

$$\text{Work of compression} = \frac{n}{n-1} (p_C v_C - p_B v_B) \text{ (N - m / kg)}$$

$$\text{Or Power required} = m_r * \frac{n}{n-1} * \frac{(p_C v_C - p_B v_B)}{60 * 1000} \text{ (kW/ton)}$$

(d) Heat Rejected to Cylinder Jacket:

$$Q_{\text{jacket}} = m_r \left\{ \frac{n}{n-1} (p_C v_C - p_B v_B) - (h_C - h_B) \right\} \text{ (kJ / min- ton)}$$

(e) Heat Rejected in Condenser:

$$\text{Heat rejected in condenser} = (h_C - h_D) \text{ (kJ / kg)}$$

$$\text{Total heat rejected} = m_r (h_C - h_D) \text{ (kJ / min- ton)}$$

