

8-64 Combustion gases expand in a turbine from a specified state to another specified state. The exergy of the gases at the inlet and the reversible work output of the turbine are to be determined.

Assumptions **1** This is a steady-flow process since there is no change with time. **2** Potential energy changes are negligible. **3** The temperature of the surroundings is given to be 25°C. **4** The combustion gases are ideal gases with constant specific heats.

Properties The constant pressure specific heat and the specific heat ratio are given to be $c_p = 1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}$ and $k = 1.3$. The gas constant R is determined from

$$R = c_p - c_v = c_p - c_p / k = c_p (1 - 1/k) = (1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})(1 - 1/1.3) = 0.265 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}$$

Analysis (a) The exergy of the gases at the turbine inlet is simply the flow exergy,

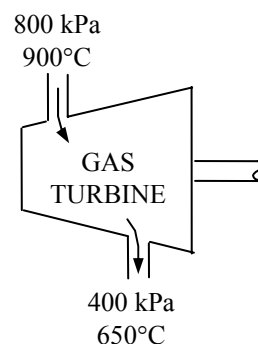
$$\psi_1 = h_1 - h_0 - T_0(s_1 - s_0) + \frac{V_1^2}{2} + gz_1^{\phi_0}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 - s_0 &= c_p \ln \frac{T_1}{T_0} - R \ln \frac{P_1}{P_0} \\ &= (1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) \ln \frac{1173 \text{ K}}{298 \text{ K}} - (0.265 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) \ln \frac{800 \text{ kPa}}{100 \text{ kPa}} \\ &= 1.025 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\psi_1 = (1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})(900 - 25)^\circ\text{C} - (298 \text{ K})(1.025 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) + \frac{(100 \text{ m/s})^2}{2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) = \mathbf{705.8 \text{ kJ/kg}}$$



(b) The reversible (or maximum) work output is determined from an exergy balance applied on the turbine and setting the exergy destruction term equal to zero,

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{\dot{X}_{\text{in}} - \dot{X}_{\text{out}}}_{\text{Rate of net exergy transfer by heat, work, and mass}} - \underbrace{\dot{X}_{\text{destroyed}}}_{\text{Rate of exergy destruction}} &\stackrel{\phi_0 \text{ (reversible)}}{=} \underbrace{\Delta \dot{X}_{\text{system}}}_{\text{Rate of change of exergy}} \stackrel{\phi_0 \text{ (steady)}}{=} 0 \\ \dot{X}_{\text{in}} &= \dot{X}_{\text{out}} \\ \dot{m}\psi_1 &= \dot{W}_{\text{rev,out}} + \dot{m}\psi_2 \\ \dot{W}_{\text{rev,out}} &= \dot{m}(\psi_1 - \psi_2) = \dot{m}[(h_1 - h_2) - T_0(s_1 - s_2) - \Delta \text{ke} - \Delta \text{pe}^{\phi_0}] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Delta \text{ke} = \frac{V_2^2 - V_1^2}{2} = \frac{(220 \text{ m/s})^2 - (100 \text{ m/s})^2}{2} \left(\frac{1 \text{ kJ/kg}}{1000 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2} \right) = 19.2 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} s_2 - s_1 &= c_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - R \ln \frac{P_2}{P_1} \\ &= (1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) \ln \frac{923 \text{ K}}{1173 \text{ K}} - (0.265 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) \ln \frac{400 \text{ kPa}}{800 \text{ kPa}} \\ &= -0.09196 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K} \end{aligned}$$

Then the reversible work output on a unit mass basis becomes

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\text{rev,out}} &= h_1 - h_2 + T_0(s_2 - s_1) - \Delta \text{ke} = c_p(T_1 - T_2) + T_0(s_2 - s_1) - \Delta \text{ke} \\ &= (1.15 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})(900 - 650)^\circ\text{C} + (298 \text{ K})(-0.09196 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K}) - 19.2 \text{ kJ/kg} \\ &= \mathbf{240.9 \text{ kJ/kg}} \end{aligned}$$