

9-102 A modified Brayton cycle with air as the working fluid operates at a specified pressure ratio. The T - s diagram is to be sketched and the temperature and pressure at the exit of the high-pressure turbine and the mass flow rate of air are to be determined.

Assumptions 1 Steady operating conditions exist. 2 The air-standard assumptions are applicable. 3 Kinetic and potential energy changes are negligible. 4 Air is an ideal gas with constant specific heats.

Properties The properties of air are given as $c_v = 0.718$ kJ/kg·K, $c_p = 1.005$ kJ/kg·K, $R = 0.287$ kJ/kg·K, $k = 1.4$.

Analysis (b) For the compression process,

$$T_2 = T_1 \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^{(k-1)/k} = (273 \text{ K})(8)^{0.4/1.4} = 494.5 \text{ K}$$

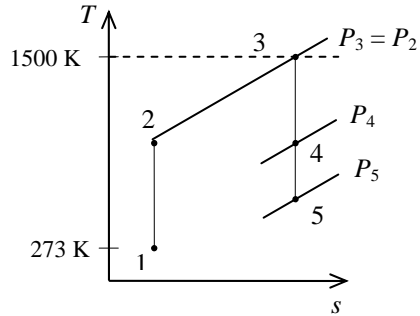
The power input to the compressor is equal to the power output from the high-pressure turbine. Then,

$$\dot{W}_{\text{Comp, in}} = \dot{W}_{\text{HP Turb, out}}$$

$$\dot{m} c_p (T_2 - T_1) = \dot{m} c_p (T_3 - T_4)$$

$$T_2 - T_1 = T_3 - T_4$$

$$T_4 = T_3 + T_1 - T_2 = 1500 + 273 - 494.5 = \mathbf{1278.5 \text{ K}}$$



The pressure at this state is

$$\frac{P_4}{P_3} = \left(\frac{T_4}{T_3} \right)^{k/(k-1)} \longrightarrow P_4 = r P_1 \left(\frac{T_4}{T_3} \right)^{k/(k-1)} = 8(100 \text{ kPa}) \left(\frac{1278.5 \text{ K}}{1500 \text{ K}} \right)^{1.4/0.4} = \mathbf{457.3 \text{ kPa}}$$

(c) The temperature at state 5 is determined from

$$T_5 = T_4 \left(\frac{P_5}{P_4} \right)^{(k-1)/k} = (1278.5 \text{ K}) \left(\frac{100 \text{ kPa}}{457.3 \text{ kPa}} \right)^{0.4/1.4} = 828.1 \text{ K}$$

The net power is that generated by the low-pressure turbine since the power output from the high-pressure turbine is equal to the power input to the compressor. Then,

$$\dot{W}_{\text{LP Turb}} = \dot{m} c_p (T_4 - T_5)$$

$$\dot{m} = \frac{\dot{W}_{\text{LP Turb}}}{c_p (T_4 - T_5)} = \frac{200,000 \text{ kW}}{(1.005 \text{ kJ/kg} \cdot \text{K})(1278.5 - 828.1) \text{ K}} = \mathbf{441.8 \text{ kg/s}}$$