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# "Effect of various parameters on working condition of chiller"

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#### Abstract

The present work aims to find out the effect of various parameters on evaporator, compressor and condenser in vapour compression cycle using "high performance tube manufacturer's software" for evaporator and condenser and using "compressor selection software of a reputed manufacturer" for compressor. The present work includes the effect of number of tubes, number of passes and fouling factor on saturated refrigerant temperature (SST), tube side velocity, pressure drop and temperature approach in evaporator and condenser. Effect of SST on power input to compressor, cooling capacity, condenser capacity and coefficient of performance (COP) and also effect of condensing temperature on power input to compressor, cooling capacity and condenser capacity is studied using software.

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#### 1. Introduction

Vapour compression system is one of the most widely used system for air-conditioning and domestic refrigerator. It consists of four main components namely evaporator, compressor, condenser and expansion valve as shown in fig.1 [1].

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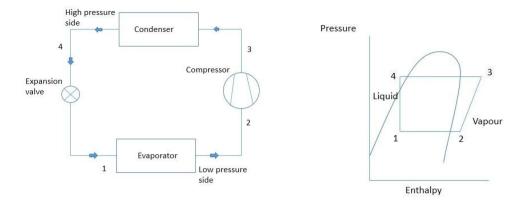


Fig.1 Vapour compression cycle

Fig. 2 p-h diagram

In evaporator refrigerant will absorb the heat from the space to be cooled and enters into the compressor. In compressor refrigerant pressure is increased from evaporator pressure to condenser pressure. In condenser heat rejection will take place to atmosphere or by circulating cooling water and the condensed refrigerant is expanded in expansion valve which full further enter into the evaporator. The cycle is represented on pressure-enthalpy chart in Fig.2.

In present study evaporator and water cooled condenser used are shell and tube type. SST is the saturation suction temperature at which refrigerant will absorb heat from water, which is to be cooled in evaporator. Temperature approach is the temperature difference between chilled water outlet temperature from the evaporator and SST. For present study evaporator used is flooded type (refrigerant is shell side and water to be cooled is tube side). In present work we have considered a chiller operating on simple vapour compression cycle and studied the effect of various parameters on other operating parameter using software.

Nomenclature	
Condenser capacity	(kW)
Cooling capacity	(kW)
COP coefficient of performance	e
Power input	(kW)
Pressure drop	(kPa)
SST saturated refrigerant tempe	erature (°C)
SCT saturated condensing temp	erature (°C)
Velocity	$(m \cdot s^{-1})$

#### 2. Effect of various parameters

The present work aims to find out the effect of various parameters like effect of suction temperature, condensing temperature, number of tubes and number of passes on COP, power input, pressure drop and velocity. The effect of various parameter is analyzed using the "high performance tube manufacturer's software" [2] and "compressor selection software of a reputed manufacturer" [3]. As a first step, simulations can provide valuable insight on the system performance, since parametric analysis using experimental data has high time and cost requirements.

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