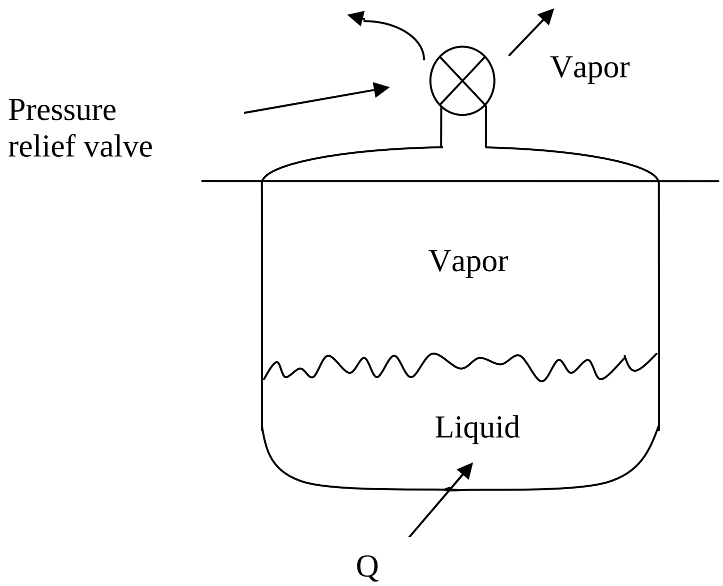
Problem #1



Consider a pressure-cooker (pot to cook food at elevated pressure) with a pressure relief valve, which prevents the pressure within the cooker from exceeding 175 kPa, as shown above. It initially contains 1 kg of water and has a volume of 0.006 m^3. Heat is supplied to the cooker at a rate of 500 W for 30 minutes after the operating pressure of 175 kPa is reached.

i. Find the temperature at which cooking takes place, assuming there is always some liquid in the cooker.

ii. Find the mass of water left in the cooker at the end of the process assuming no water escapes prior to the time at which the operating pressure is reached.

Note: Use the table following this problem.

TABLE A–5

Saturated water—Pressure table

		Specific volume, m³/kg		Internal energy, kJ/kg			Enthalpy, kJ/kg			Entropy, kJ/kg · K		
Press., P kPa	Sat. temp., T_{sat} °C	Sat. liquid, v_f	Sat. vapor, v_g	Sat. liquid, u_f	Evap., u_{fg}	Sat. vapor, u_g	Sat. liquid, h_f	Evap., h_{fg}	Sat. vapor, h_g	Sat. liquid, s_f	Evap., s_{fg}	Sat. vapor, s_g
1.0	6.97	0.001000	129.19	29.302	2355.2	2384.5	29.303	2484.4	2513.7	0.1059	8.8690	8.9749
1.5	13.02	0.001001	87.964	54.686	2338.1	2392.8	54.688	2470.1	2524.7	0.1956	8.6314	8.8270
2.0	17.50	0.001001	66.990	73.431	2325.5	2398.9	73.433	2459.5	2532.9	0.2606	8.4621	8.7227
2.5	21.08	0.001002	54.242	88.422	2315.4	2403.8	88.424	2451.0	2539.4	0.3118	8.3302	8.6421
3.0	24.08	0.001003	45.654	100.98	2306.9	2407.9	100.98	2443.9	2544.8	0.3543	8.2222	8.5765
4.0	28.96	0.001004	34.791	121.39	2293.1	2414.5	121.39	2432.3	2553.7	0.4224	8.0510	8.4734
5.0	32.87	0.001005	28.185	137.75	2282.1	2419.8	137.75	2423.0	2560.7	0.4762	7.9176	8.3938
7.5	40.29	0.001008	19.233	168.74	2261.1	2429.8	168.75	2405.3	2574.0	0.5763	7.6738	8.2501
10	45.81	0.001010	14.670	191.79	2245.4	2437.2	191.81	2392.1	2583.9	0.6492	7.4996	8.1488
15	53.97	0.001014	10.020	225.93	2222.1	2448.0	225.94	2372.3	2598.3	0.7549	7.2522	8.0071
20	60.06	0.001017	7.6481	251.40	2204.6	2456.0	251.42	2357.5	2608.9	0.8320	7.0752	7.9073
25	64.96	0.001020	6.2034	271.93	2190.4	2462.4	271.96	2345.5	2617.5	0.8932	6.9370	7.8302
30	69.09	0.001022	5.2287	289.24	2178.5	2467.7	289.27	2335.3	2624.6	0.9441	6.8234	7.7675
40	75.86	0.001026	3.9933	317.58	2158.8	2476.3	317.62	2318.4	2636.1	1.0261	6.6430	7.6691
50	81.32	0.001030	3.2403	340.49	2142.7	2483.2	340.54	2304.7	2645.2	1.0912	6.5019	7.5931
75	91.76	0.001037	2.2172	384.36	2111.8	2496.1	384.44	2278.0	2662.4	1.2132	6.2426	7.4558
100	99.61	0.001043	1.6941	417.40	2088.2	2505.6	417.51	2257.5	2675.0	1.3028	6.0562	7.3589
101.325	99.97	0.001043	1.6734	418.95	2087.0	2506.0	419.06	2256.5	2675.6	1.3069	6.0476	7.3545
125	105.97	0.001048	1.3750	444.23	2068.8	2513.0	444.36	2240.6	2684.9	1.3741	5.9100	7.2841
150	111.35	0.001053	1.1594	466.97	2052.3	2519.2	467.13	2226.0	2693.1	1.4337	5.7894	7.2231
175	116.04	0.001057	1.0037	486.82	2037.7	2524.5	487.01	2213.1	2700.2	1.4850	5.6865	7.1716
200	120.21	0.001061	0.88578	504.50	2024.6	2529.1	504.71	2201.6	2706.3	1.5302	5.5968	7.1270
225	123.97	0.001064	0.79329	520.47	2012.7	2533.2	520.71	2191.0	2711.7	1.5706	5.5171	7.0877
250	127.41	0.001067	0.71873	535.08	2001.8	2536.8	535.35	2181.2	2716.5	1.6072	5.4453	7.0525
275	130.58	0.001070	0.65732	548.57	1991.6	2540.1	548.86	2172.0	2720.9	1.6408	5.3800	7.0207
300	133.52	0.001073	0.60582	561.11	1982.1	2543.2	561.43	2163.5	2724.9	1.6717	5.3200	6.9917
325	136.27	0.001076	0.56199	572.84	1973.1	2545.9	573.19	2155.4	2728.6	1.7005	5.2645	6.9650
350	138.86	0.001079	0.52422	583.89	1964.6	2548.5	584.26	2147.7	2732.0	1.7274	5.2128	6.9402
375	141.30	0.001081	0.49133	594.32	1956.6	2550.9	594.73	2140.4	2735.1	1.7526	5.1645	6.9171
400	143.61	0.001084	0.46242	604.22	1948.9	2553.1	604.66	2133.4	2738.1	1.7765	5.1191	6.8955
450	147.90	0.001088	0.41392	622.65	1934.5	2557.1	623.14	2120.3	2743.4	1.8205	5.0356	6.8561
500	151.83	0.001093	0.37483	639.54	1921.2	2560.7	640.09	2108.0	2748.1	1.8604	4.9603	6.8207
550	155.46	0.001097	0.34261	655.16	1908.8	2563.9	655.77	2096.6	2752.4	1.8970	4.8916	6.7886
600	158.83	0.001101	0.31560	669.72	1897.1	2566.8	670.38	2085.8	2756.2	1.9308	4.8285	6.7593
650	161.98	0.001104	0.29260	683.37	1886.1	2569.4	684.08	2075.5	2759.6	1.9623	4.7699	6.7322
700	164.95	0.001108	0.27278	696.23	1875.6	2571.8	697.00	2065.8	2762.8	1.9918	4.7153	6.7071
750	167.75	0.001111	0.25552	708.40	1865.6	2574.0	709.24	2056.4	2765.7	2.0195	4.6642	6.6837

Problem #2

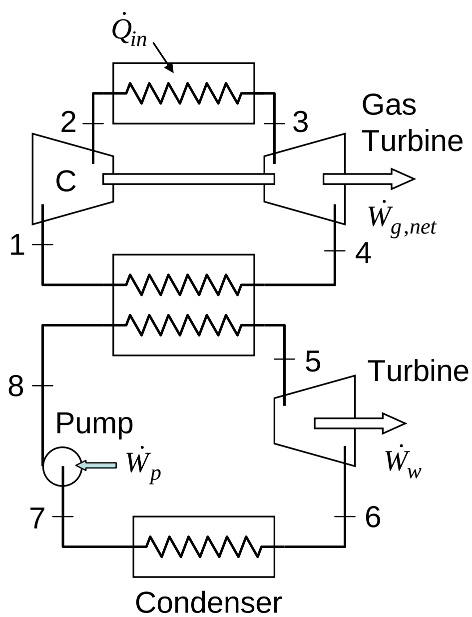
A nuclear power plant uses a combined power cycle, as shown in the figure below. Helium is used as the working fluid for the closed gas turbine. The exhaust is used to power the vapor power cycle with water as the working fluid. Helium gas enters the compressor at $T_1 = 350\ \text{K}$ and $P_1 = 120\ \text{kPa}$ and exits at $T_2 = 958\ \text{K}$ and $P_2 = 1200\ \text{kPa}$. The inlet and outlet temperatures of the gas turbine are 1560 K and 743 K, respectively. The net power output from the gas cycle is $\dot{W}_{g,net} = 20\ \text{MW}$. The isentropic efficiencies of both the gas turbine and the compressor are 87%. For helium gas, $c_p = 5.19\ \text{kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$.

For the vapor cycle, steam enters the turbine at 8 MPa and 400 ºC, and leaves the turbine at a pressure of 6 kPa. After the condenser, saturated liquid enters the pump. Both the turbine and the pump may be assumed adiabatic and reversible.

(1) Draw h – s diagram for the gas power cycle and use it to find (1a) the gas flow rate and (1b) the thermal efficiency of the gas cycle?

(2) Determine (2a) the mass flow rate of the steam, (2b) the required pump power, and (2c) the temperature at the pump exit T_8.

(3) Determine (3a) the output power of the steam turbine and (3b) the overall thermal efficiency of the combined cycle.



	T	P	Remarks
1	350 K	120 kPa	
2	958 K	1.2 MPa	
3	1560 K		
4	743 K		
5	400 ºC	8 MPa	
6		6 kPa	
7			Saturated Liquid
8	?		

Problem #3

Helium gas flows steadily through an insulated nozzle, entering at 500 K, 4 bar, 3 m/s and exiting at 400 K, 2 bar. Find the exit velocity, the isentropic efficiency of the nozzle, and the specific rate of entropy production in the nozzle. Assume helium is an ideal gas with constant specific heats, a molecular weight of 4 kg/kmol, and a ratio of specific heats of 5/3.