Energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental analyses and multi-objective optimization of a CPC driven solar combined cooling and power cycle with different working fluids

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Abstract
This paper aims to provide comprehensive 4E (energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental) and advanced exergy analyses of the Refrigeration Cycle (RC) and Heat Recovery Refrigeration Cycle (HRRC) and comparison of the performance with R744 (CO2) and R744A (N2O) working fluids. Moreover, multi-objective optimization of the systems has been considered to define the optimal conditions and the best cycle from various perspectives. In HRRC, heat recovery is used as a heat source for an organic Rankine cycle. The energy and exergy analysis results show that utilizing HRRC with both refrigerants increases the coefficient of performance (COP) and exergy efficiency. COP and exergy efficiency for HRRC-R744 have been obtained 2.82 and 30.7%, respectively. Due to the better thermodynamic performance of HRRC, other analyses have been performed on this cycle. Exergoeconomic analysis results show that using R744A leads to an increase in the total product cost. Total product cost with R744 and R744A have been calculated by 1.56 S/h and 1.96 S/h, respectively. Additionally, to obtain the processes’ environmental impact, Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) is used. Exergoenvironmental analysis showed that using R744A increases the product environmental impact by 32%. Owning to the high amount of endogenous exergy destruction rate in the compressor and ejector compared to other equipment, they have more priority for improvement. Multi-objective optimization has been performed with exergy efficiency and total product cost objective functions as well as COP and product environmental impact for both refrigerants, which indicates that HRRC-R744 has better performance economically and environmentally. In optimal condition, the value of exergy efficiency, total product cost, COP, and the product environmental impact have been accounted for by 28.51%, 1.44 S/h, 2.76, and 149.01 mpts/h, respectively.

Keywords: Combined cooling and power; solar energy; compound parabolic collector; exergy; exergoeconomic; exergoenvironmental; multi-objective optimization.

1. Introduction
The development of sustainable energy and its use in power, heating, and cooling generation systems is of particular importance. Nowadays, according to a lack of fossil fuel, their high price, and their destructive impacts on greenhouse gas accumulation, using the solar cycle is more important than before[1]. A solar cycle can be used as an auxiliary heat resource to preheat a boiler or as an independent resource in the cycle. The first case helps to save the boiler fuel, but in another case, by increasing the solar panel surface, it will be used instead of a boiler. Although the second case is not economically viable in the early years of cycle operation, it helps to return capital over time to the extent that it can generate a net profit. On the other hand, it decreases fossil fuel consumption and combustion damage to nature[2, 3].

The utilization of solar energy in trigeneration systems, and energy, exergy, exergoeconomic analyses as well as multi-objective optimization of these systems have received much attention in recent years. Bellos et al.[4] have investigated the thermal performance of a compound parabolic collector (CPC). In the thermal analysis, two conventional fluids include oil and water, have been studied. The results illustrate that pressurized water is the most appropriate fluid for heat transfer because of its properties and performs better than oil. Khalid et al.[5] have checked and optimized a multigenerational system by using solar energy and biomass. The results indicate that the proposed system has a better operation in terms of exergy and exergoeconomic compared to separated production systems. Mehrpooya et al.[6] have done a thermoeconomic analysis on a new integrated system that consists of an organic Rankine cycle and parabolic trough collector. Product cost rate and exergy efficiency are selected as objective functions, and optimization of the system is done by genetic algorithm. Moharramian et al.[7] have done thermodynamic and exergoeconomic analysis of a combined photovoltaic cycle with biomass to generate electricity and hydrogen. Optimization of the system has been done to set up the compressor pressure ratio. Behzadi et al.[8] have presented electricity and cooling producing systems using solar and geothermal energy. Multi-objective optimization has been done with exergy efficiency and the product cost rate as objective functions. Boyagchi et al.[9] have done a thermoeconomic analysis and optimization of a micro solar-CCHP system with an organic Rankine cycle for winter and...
summer seasons. Five key parameters, like those that turbine inlet temperature and turbine inlet pressure, is selected as decision variables, exergy efficiency, and product cost rate functions, are chosen as objective functions. Sokhansef et al. [10] have compared solar hot water systems with flat plate collectors (FPC) and evacuated tube collectors (ETC) in terms of thermo-economic in cold weather. The thermal and economic analysis results indicate better operation of the ETC system compared to the FPC system. Salehi et al. [11] have compared solar-assisted absorption heat pumps using solar energy and gas combustion boiler economically. The results indicate that the LiBr/H2O absorption systems have the highest exergy efficiency and gas boiler, and NH3/H2O absorptions systems have the lowest product unit cost rate. Sadi et al. [12] have done an exergoeconomic analysis on a hybrid solar-waste has driven power plant in order to distinguish the main irreversibility. Increasing the steam extraction ratio and decreasing turbine inlet temperature will decrease electricity costs. Wellmann et al. [13] have analyzed a cogenerating system in order to desalinate seawater and generate electricity by using solar energy in terms of exergy and exergoeconomic. Panahi et al. [14] have designed, manufactured, and experimentally studied a prototype solar water heater with a compound parabolic concentrator. Hourly and monthly analysis of water temperature variations for the developed system showed that with increasing incoming radiation to the water heater, the system's thermal efficiency decreased, with the highest efficiency being in April and the lowest in July.

In addition to considering the thermodynamic and economic aspects of energy systems, the consideration of environmental issues and combination with exergy analysis and the presentation of exergoeconomic analysis have also been studied in many recent studies. Rosato et al. [15] have dynamically simulated and analyzed a solar hybrid district heating with seasonal storage over five years in terms of energy, environmental, and economic. The performance of alternative auxiliary back-up systems is estimated. Vazini Modabber et al. [16] have modified a power-water cogeneration system by combining the existing plant with solar and inlet air cooling systems and have carried out dynamic energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental analyses (4E) analyses of the system. Absorption chiller for inlet air-cooling of a compressor and parabolic trough collector for solar heating has been incorporated with the present unit. Baghernejad et al. [17] have considered an economic and environmental optimization and analysis of a trigeneration system with solar energy. Saadon et al. [18] have analyzed a semi-transparent photovoltaic/thermal system in terms of exergy, exergoeconomic, and enviroeconomic. The results indicate a lower loss rate and, consequently, better economic and environmental impacts of the proposed system compared to the opaque photovoltaic/thermal system. Caliskan [19] has done energy, exergy, environmental, exergoeconomic, exergoenvironmental, and exergoenvironmental analysis on a solar collector. It was shown that exergoenvironmental and exergoenvironmental analysis assesses the system more effectively. Montazerinejad et al. [20] have assessed a new CCHP system with solar energy regarding exergoeconomic and exergoenvironmental. The results express that the storage tank has the most exergy destruction rate and the highest cost of exergy destruction rate. Esmaeilzadehazimi et al. [21] analyzed an MHD—Magneto-hydrodynamic cycle from 4E points of view. In MHD cycles, the waste heat can be recovered and used in the Brayton cycle as a heat source. Bonforte et al. [22] have checked the exergoeconomic and exergoenvironmental analysis of a combined power-producing cycle with solar energy. The environmental analysis of the system is done by using Life Cycle Assessment (LCA). Cavalcanti et al. [23] have analyzed two CO2 capture and storage and concentrated solar power systems in order to decrease the greenhouse gases from an exergoenvironmental viewpoint for a plant of the natural gas combined cycle for power production. Sanaye et al. [24] have investigated a combined cooling, heating, power, and water system from energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental (4E) viewpoint. Multi-objective optimization of the system is performed with exergy efficiency and annual total cost objective functions. Golban Mofrad et al. [25] have conducted 4E analyses for a cascade refrigeration system with natural working fluids. The cycle's multi-objective optimization has been performed using the objective functions of exergy efficiency, product cost rate, energy efficiency, and product environmental impact on finding the system's optimal operating conditions. Moreover, in another study, they have compared two refrigeration and combined cooling and power cycles with R744 and R744A working fluids in terms of 4E analyses [26]. Adibhatla et al. [27] have designed a solar field consisting of parabolic trough collectors to preheat the water in a thermal power plant and evaluate its impact. 4E analysis was performed on the investigated system. Energy and exergy efficiencies, economic parameters, and environmental parameters such as reducing coal consumption and CO2 production were determined. Ameri et al. [28] have evaluated a new solar hybrid cycle. The new system uses the parabolic trough solar cycle in the conventional hybrid cycle. The Life Cycle Assessment for the system has been performed, and the results show that power generation at the new solar power plant has a less environmental impact. Ghaith et al. [29] have explored the use of parabolic trough collectors with a double-effect absorption chiller to provide the cooling load in residential areas. The economic and environmental impact assessment of the system has been carried out. Rafat et al. [30] have analyzed a small solar-driven Kalina power plant from an energy, exergy, economic and environmental perspective. The comparative analysis between the proposed solar KaJina cycle and some renewable and fossil power plants has been done in terms of energy and exergy performance. Modabber et al. [31] have evaluated a desalination unit with power and water cogeneration plant. 4E analysis has been carried out, and in order to exergoenvironmental analyze LCA has been utilized. Selecting the proper working fluid for thermodynamic cycles is essential. Many researchers have considered various analyses of thermodynamic cycles with different working fluids in order to determine the best one from different aspects. Boyaghchi et al. [32] have evaluated and optimized a combined cooling, heating, and power (CCHP) cycle with solar energy from exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental viewpoints. Four appropriate refrigerants for the cycle have been assessed. In addition, in another research [33], they have checked another solar-CCHP. Exergetic efficiency, the product cost rate, the product environmental impact are chosen as objective functions, and four different refrigerants have been compared together. Nemati et al. [34] have optimized and compared three different solar energy-driven organic flash cycles (OFC) from exergy and exergoeconomic point of
view, and five different working fluids are considered for the cycle. Khaliq [1] has checked a combined power and cooling cycle (CCP) using an organic Rankine cycle and heliostat in terms of energy and exergy. R141b refrigerant is selected as a working fluid. Desai et al. [35] have made a thermoeconomic comparison between two organic Rankine and steam Rankine cycles and parabolic trough collectors. R113 and isohexane are appropriate for the steam Rankine cycle in terms of thermodynamic and economical.

2. System Description

The selected cycle in this research has two parts. The first part is used to produce power and cooling using an organic fluid and consists of the ejector, turbine, pump, condenser, and evaporator. The second part is a solar system, which gets the sun heat by compound parabolic collectors (CPC) and transfers it to circulating water in the cycle. Transferring heat between two parts is done by heat recovery vapor generation (HRVG). The heated water in point 16 enters HRVG in order to super-heat the organic fluid in point 2 and provide the condition for better operation of the turbine. The outlet refrigerant in point 3, which has lower pressure and temperature than before, enters the ejector. With a specified decreasing pressure ratio and increasing velocity, it will decrease the condenser inlet temperature. The organic fluid with a specified mass flow ratio will be sent to the pump and the evaporator after condensing. The organic fluid in the evaporator gets the inlet water heat and makes the environment temperature low. In this research, five organic fluids: R245fa, R236FA, R152A, R142b, R134a, are used. The thermodynamic properties of each fluid are presented in Table 1 [36].

The purpose of this study is to compare the system with different fluids from an energy, exergy, and exergoeconomic viewpoint. The base of designing the CCP cycle using the solar system is installing a cycle with each working fluid. A different number of solar collectors is determined to provide the needed thermal for super-heat the working fluids.

![Figure 1. Schematic diagram of the CCP cycle with the solar system.](image-url)
3. Thermodynamic Modeling and Assumptions

A couple of MATLAB and REFPROP 9.1 is used for thermodynamic analysis of the CCP cycle. In this research, the solar system of compound parabolic collectors (CPC) type is selected. According to the average total radiation assumed for Yazd city, its equations are calculated and analyzed for a year. The input thermodynamic parameters with the characteristic of selected CPCs are presented in Table 2[37].

Table 1. Input parameter values for analysis.

| Code   | Critical temperature (K) | Critical pressure (kPa) | Type of fluid | Ozone depletion potential |
|--------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| R245fa | 427.2                    | 3640                    | Dry           | 0                         |
| R236FA | 398.07                   | 3200                    | Dry           | 0                         |
| R152A  | 386.41                   | 4516.7                  | Wet           | 0                         |
| R142b  | 410.26                   | 4055                    | Isentropic    | 0.12                      |
| R134a  | 345.8                    | 3764                    | Isentropic    | 0.055                     |

Table 2. Input parameter and characteristic of collectors for thermodynamic analysis.

| Parameter                          | Values |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Turbine inlet pressure (kPa)       | 1200   |
| Turbine inlet temperature(K)       | 388    |
| Turbine back pressure (kPa)        |        |
| P3, R152A                         | 610    |
| P3, R142b                         | 610    |
| P3, R236FA                        | 550    |
| P3, R245fa                        | 400    |
| P3, R134a                         | 750    |
| HRVG effectiveness (%)             | 100    |
| Diffuser efficiency (%)            | 80     |
| Nozzle efficiency (%)              | 75     |
| Mixture efficiency (%)             | 80     |
| Turbine isentropic efficiency (%)  | 75     |
| Pump 1 isentropic efficiency (%)   | 85     |
| Pump 2 isentropic efficiency (%)   | 80     |
| Environment pressure (kPa)         | 101.3  |
| Ambient temperature(K)             | 298    |
| System operating Time (hour)       | 2000   |
| Component lifetime (year)          | 20     |
| Transmissivity of the cover glazing | 0.9  |
| Mirror reflectivity                | 0.9    |
| Absorptivity of receiver           | 0.87   |
| The average number of reflections  | 0.6    |
| Collector heat loss coefficient(W/m²K) | 2.1     |
| Concentration ratio                | 4.5    |

3.1 Assumptions

Modeling the CCP cycle is done according to the first and second laws of thermodynamic. Balancing the equations is done according to the below assumptions[1]:

1. The design conditions are considered at 298 K and 1 bar.
2. The operation of the ejector is assumed adiabatically.
3. The index of weather cleanliness for Yazd is assumed favorable throughout the year.
4. The operation of the expansion valve is considered constant enthalpy.
5. The considered conditions for all the organic fluids except the backpressure turbine are the same.
6. The operation of the cycle is in a steady-state condition.
7. The friction of all components is neglected.
8. Isentropic efficiency is considered for the pumps and turbine.

3.2 Energy Modeling

Energy transfer in all the components is done by the usage of controlling volume balance equations in a steady-state, according to Eq. (1), \( \dot{m}_i \) and \( \dot{m}_o \) are the inlet and outlet mass flow rate, respectively [38].

\[
\dot{Q} - \dot{W} = \sum \dot{m}_i h_i + \sum \dot{m}_o h_o
\]  

(1)

Different solar systems are available in the industry that, according to their efficiency, usage place, and engineers’ opinion, they will be designed and utilized. Parabolic collectors can concentrate the sun’s diffuse radiation when the weather is cloudy, and there is no beam radiation of the sun to increase the water temperature significantly. According to NASA research, the average total radiation for Yazd city in 2000 hours a year is considered about 850 W/m² [39]. Utilized equations for CPC are given in Table 3[37, 40].

Table 3. Equations used in the solar collectors.

| Parameter                   | Equation                                                                 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Usefull energy delivered    | \( Q_u = F_u [S(A_u) - A_0(T_{ref}-T_u)J] \)                             |
| Absorber radiation          | \( S = G \alpha \tau_{cover} \alpha_{ CPC} \alpha_{ v} \gamma \)         |
| The diffuse radiation       | \( Y = 1 - (T^{-1}) \)                                                  |
| correction factor           | \( \tau_{ CPC} = \rho^* \)                                              |
| Energy of CPC               | \( Q_{ solar} = \text{Net Collector} \)                                |
| Exergy of CPC               | \( E_{X,solar} = S u (1 - \frac{T_o}{3T_{ CPC}} - \frac{4}{3} \frac{T_o^2}{T_{ CPC}}) \) |

In Table 3, \( T_{ CPC} \) is the temperature of the solar receiver surface. Most studies have used solar temperature (Tsun) to calculate the exergy of the solar collectors. Nevertheless, according to the study conducted by Colakoglu and et al.[41], the use of T_{ sun} is apparently valid only on the surface of the sun. Owing to solar collectors are located on the earth's surface (not the sun's surface), and a solar system on the earth's surface can only use solar heat flux, \( T_{ CPC} \) should be utilized.
Solar receiver temperature is related to the collecting efficiency as Eq. (2)[41].

\[ \eta_{\text{Collector}} = 1 - \frac{\sigma \tau_{\text{CPC}}}{G_i} \]  

(2)

where \( \sigma \) is the Stefan-Boltzmann constant, \( G_i \) is the solar heat flux on the CPC surface, \( C \) is the concentration ratio of solar collector, and \( \eta_{\text{Collector}} \) is the collector efficiency, which is defined according to design conditions (in the present study is assumed 0.55)[41].

The absorbed heat of the environment by the evaporator is calculated according to Eq. (3)[42].

\[ Q_{\text{Evaporator}} = \dot{m}_k (h_f-h_g) \]  

(3)

The ejector is divided into three parts: nozzle, mixing chamber, and diffuser. The flow is assumed to the steady-state and adiabatic. The schematic of the ejector is illustrated in Figure 3.

\[ \text{Figure 3. The schematic of different parts of the ejector.} \]

The modeling of ejector has been conducted based on the conservation of mass, momentum, and energy equations. The equations utilized for modeling are presented in Table 4[43].

According to the turbine's outlet power and the absorbed heat by the evaporator, energy efficiency is calculated by Eq. (4)[42].

\[ \eta_{\text{Energy, CCP}} = \frac{W_{\text{Turbine}}+W_{\text{Pump},1}+W_{\text{Pump},2}+W_{\text{Expansion}}} {Q_{\text{Solar}}} \]  

(4)

3.3 Exergy Modeling

The system's total exergy is divided into physical exergy and chemical exergy calculated by Eq. (5)[44].

\[ \dot{E}_\text{Total} = \dot{E}_{\text{Fm}} + \dot{E}_{\text{Ch}} \]  

(5)

Since there is no chemical process in the CCP cycle, the chemical exergy is not considered. The exergy balance equation is determined as Eq. (6), regarding the rate of fuel exergy (\( \dot{E}_{F, k} \)) and product exergy (\( \dot{E}_{P, k} \))[42].

\[ \dot{E}_{F, k} = \dot{E}_{P, k} + \dot{E}_{D, k} + \dot{E}_{L, k} \]  

(6)

The physical exergy rate is given in Eq. (7). In addition, the exergy destruction ratio and the exergy efficiency of equipment are presented in Eq. (8) and Eq. (9), respectively[44].

\[ \dot{E}_{P, ph} = \dot{m} \left[ (h_f - h_g) - T_f (s_f - s_g) \right] \]  

(7)

\[ Y_{D, k} = \frac{\dot{E}_{D, k}}{\dot{E}_{D, total}} \]  

(8)

\[ \eta_{\text{EX}, k} = \frac{\dot{E}_{P, k}}{\dot{E}_{F, k}} \]  

(9)

The exergy efficiency of the CCP cycle is presented in Eq. (10) pursuant to the rates of fuel exergy and product exergy[45].

\[ \eta_{\text{EX}, CCP} = \frac{\dot{E}_{P, total, CCP}}{\dot{E}_{F, total, CCP} + \dot{E}_{\text{Solar}}} \]  

(10)

The exergy equations of fuel, product, and destruction for all components are presented in Table 5.

3.4 Exergoeconomic Modeling

The most significant aim of exergoeconomic analysis is to define the different costs of fuel exergy and product exergy. Therefore, the cost rates should be determined by exergy in Eq. (11)[44].

\[ \dot{C}_k = c_k (\dot{E}_k) \]  

(11)

The balance of cost equations is represented as Eq. (12), conforming to the inlet and outlet flow of components and their purchase cost rates[44].

\[ \sum \dot{C}_e + \dot{C}_w = \dot{C}_Q + \sum \dot{C}_i + Z \]  

(12)

Pursuant to the balance of exergoeconomic equations, the product cost rate consists of fuel cost rate and investment cost, as is shown in Eq. (13) and destruction cost rate calculated by Eq. (14)[44].

\[ \dot{C}_{P, k} = \dot{C}_{F, k} + \dot{Z}_k \]  

(13)

\[ \dot{C}_{D, k} = c_k (\dot{E}_k) \]  

(14)

The investment costs rate of all components are given in Eqs. 15 to 22. The investment cost of equipment is defined according to their size.

\[ Z_{\text{HRVG}}^{CL} = 130 \left( \frac{A_{\text{HRVG}}}{0.093} \right)^{0.78} \]  

(15)

\[ Z_{\text{Pump}}^{CL} = 3450 \left( W_{\text{Pump}} \right)^{0.71} \]  

(16)

\[ Z_{\text{Turbine}}^{CL} = 4405 \left( W_{\text{Turbine}} \right)^{0.7} \]  

(17)

\[ Z_{\text{Expansion valve}}^{CL} = 114.5 \left( m_i \right) \]  

(18)
Table 4. The equations utilized for modeling of the ejector.

| Parameter | Equation |
|-----------|----------|
| Entrainment ratio | $\mu = \frac{m_i}{m_d}$ |
| Nozzle efficiency | $\eta_n = \frac{h_{d,i} - h_{d,o}}{h_{d,i} - h_{d,0}}$ |
| Primary flow outlet velocity | $u_{d,o} = \sqrt{2\eta (h_{d,i} - h_{d,o})}$ |
| The mixing chamber momentum conservation | $m_i u_{d,i} + m_o u_{d,o} = (m_i + m_o) u_{d,0}$ |
| Secondary flow outlet velocity | $u_{d,0} = \frac{u_{d,i}}{1 + \mu}$ |
| The velocity of mixed flow | $u_{d,0} = \frac{u_{d,i}}{1 + \mu}$ |
| Mixing efficiency | $\eta = \frac{u_{d,0}}{u_{d,i}}$ |
| The averaged velocity of mixed flow | $u_{o} = \frac{u_{d,i} \phi}{1 + \mu}$ |
| Energy conversion in mixing chamber | $\dot{m}_o \left( h_{d,i} + \frac{u_{d,i}^2}{2} \right) + \dot{m}_i \left( h_{d,i} + \frac{u_{d,i}^2}{2} \right) = (\dot{m}_i + \dot{m}_o) (h_{d,0} + \frac{u_{d,0}^2}{2})$ |
| Mixed flow enthalpy | $h_o = \frac{h_{d,0} + \mu h_{d,i} + \frac{u_{d,i}^2}{2}}{1 + \mu}$ |
| The actual enthalpy of mixed flow outlet | $h_{o,d} = h_{d,0} + \frac{\phi h_{d,i}}{\eta}$ |
| Ejector performance | $\mu = \sqrt{\eta h_{d,0} (h_{d,0} - h_{d,\infty}) (h_{d,\infty} - h_{d,i})}$ |

Table 5. The Exergy balance of equipment.

| Component | Fuel exergy | Product exergy | Destruction exergy |
|-----------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|
| CPC       | $EX_{Solar}$ | $EX_{f,1} + EX_{f,3}$ | $EX_{f, CPC} + EX_{D, CPC}$ |
| Ejector   | $EX_{f,3}$  | $EX_f$          | $EX_{f, Ejector} + EX_{D, Ejector}$ |
| Expansion valve | $EX_{f,3}$ | $EX_f$ | $EX_{f, Expansion valve} + EX_{D, Expansion valve}$ |
| Evaporator | $EX_{f,3} + EX_{f,9}$ | $EX_{f,11} + EX_{f,13}$ | $EX_{f, Evaporator} + EX_{D, Evaporator}$ |
| Pump 1    | $W_{Pump,1}$ | $EX_{f,6}$ | $EX_{f, Pump 1} + EX_{D, Pump 1}$ |
| Pump 2    | $W_{Pump,2}$ | $EX_{f,12} + EX_{f,14}$ | $EX_{f, Pump 2} + EX_{D, Pump 2}$ |
| Turbine   | $EX_f + EX_{turbine}$ | $EX_{f, Turbine}$ | $EX_{f, Turbine} + EX_{D, Turbine}$ |
| Condenser | $EX_{f,14}$ | $EX_{f,11} + EX_{f,12}$ | $EX_{f, Condenser} + EX_{D, Condenser}$ |
| HRVG      | $EX_{f,15} + EX_{f,13}$ | $EX_f$ | $EX_{f, HRVG} + EX_{D, HRVG}$ |

**Condenser** [49]:

$$Z_{C_{Condenser}}^{C} = 8000 \left( \frac{A_{Condenser}}{100} \right)^{0.6} \quad (19)$$

**Evaporator** [50]:

$$Z_{C_{Evaporator}}^{C} = 309.15 \left( \frac{A_{Evaporator}}{100} \right) + 213.9 \quad (20)$$

**Ejector** [50]:

$$Z_{C_{Ejector}}^{C} = 75.0 \left( \frac{P_{A_{Ejector}}^{0.75}}{P_{A_{Ejector}}} \right)^{0.05} \quad (21)$$

**CPC** [51]:

$$Z_{C_{CPC}}^{C} = 250 (P_{A_{ CPC}}) \quad (22)$$

A capital recovery factor is the ratio of a fixed annuity to the present value of receiving that annuity for a given length using an interest rate $i$, the capital recovery factor is defined as $CRF = \left( \frac{1}{(1+i)^n} \right) (1+i)^{-1}$ (23).

By calculating the investment cost rate for each of the equipment used in the CCP cycle, the cost balance is according to Table 6. In order to calculate the cost rate of each flow point, auxiliary equations are represented in this table.

Relative cost deference determines the medium partial cost rises in each exergy unit between the exergy of components’ fuel and product. This parameter demonstrates the component which has the highest product cost. In order to determine this parameter, Eq. (25) is given [44].

$$r_c = \frac{c_{P,k} - c_{F,k}}{c_{F,k}} \quad (25)$$

One of the most substantial purposes of exergoeconomic analysis is to reduce the product cost rate. In order to achieve this aim, the exergoeconomic factor is presented. This factor for each component is determined by Eq. (26)[44].

$$f_c = \frac{\dot{Z}_k}{Z_k + C_{D,k} + C_{L,k}} \quad (26)$$

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[ICAT]: Int. Centre for Applied Thermodynamics (ICAT)
3.5 Exergoenvironmental Modeling

Given the importance of environmental problems in recent years, exergoenvironmental analysis has received more attention than ever before. Exergoenvironmental analysis consists of two primary parts. The first part is due to the difference between the fuel and product exergy, which is called destruction exergy, and its effects should be determined. The second one is the life cycle assessment (LCA) that is brought about by the environmental impacts. The relationship between exergy analysis and LCA analysis is used to define the environmental impact of each flow point[53].

Life cycle assessment is used to determine the environmental impact of a process. Environmental impacts are divided into three parts according to the operating time of the cycle. These three sections are operating and maintenance (OM), generation, and disposal. Among the various methods proposed for evaluation, the Eco - indicator 99 method has recently been developed and considered by many researchers. For this purpose, it has been used in the present study. The operating time of the system is considered 8760 hours, and its useful life is assumed 20 years, as well as the results are presented in the mpts unit. The Eco - indicator 99 for all equipment in the process, material, and disposal parts is shown in Table 7. Additionally, the weight functions of each component are given in Table 8 [53].

The needed heat to install the CCP cycle is provided by the solar cycle. Because different working fluids are considered, the received heat is different according to the numbers of collectors. According to Ref. [53], because the collector type is parabolic, the design is done with an effective length of 99m.

Exergoenvironmental balance equations are determined, according to Eq. (27)[54].

\[
\dot{B}_{D,k} = b_{F,k}(\dot{E}_{X,k})
\]

The relation of exergy and environmental impact is defined pursuant to Eq. (28)[54].

\[
b_F \dot{E}_X = b_F \dot{E}_X + \dot{Y}_k
\]

The environmental impact of equipment is illustrated by \( \dot{Y} \) that includes the process, material, and disposal parts based on LCA and follows Eq. (30).  

\[
\dot{Y}_{Total} = \dot{Y}^{CO} + \dot{Y}^{OM} + \dot{Y}^{DL}
\]

In this equation, \( \dot{Y}^{CO} \) is relevant to the construction environmental impact that includes manufacture and installation. \( \dot{Y}^{OM} \) is operation and maintenance environmental impact, and \( \dot{Y}^{DL} \) belongs to disposal environmental impact. The exergoenvironmental factor of each component is given Eq. (31)[54].

\[
\dot{B}_{D,k} = b_{F,k}(\dot{E}_{X,k})
\]

In order to obtain the environmental exergy rate of each flow point, the exergoenvironmental balance of all components and relevant auxiliary equations are presented in Table 9.

The components, which have the most potential to reduce the environmental impact, can be determined by the relative difference of the environmental impacts. This parameter is calculated by Eq. (32). Eq. (33) defines the total environmental impact of equipment[54].

\[
r_{b,k} = \frac{b_{F,k} - b_{F,k}}{b_{F,k}}
\]

\[
\dot{B}_{Total} = \dot{B}_{D} + \dot{Y}_{Total}
\]

Eq. (34) presents an exergoenvironmental factor, which defines the component with the highest exergoenvironmental factor[54].

\[
f_{b,k} = \frac{\dot{Y}_{Total}^{k}}{\dot{B}_{D} + \dot{Y}_{Total}^{Total}}
\]

The computational process conducted in the present study is shown in Figure 4.

\begin{table}
\centering
\caption{The exergoeconomic balance of equipment.}
\begin{tabular}{|l|l|l|}
\hline
Component & Exergoeconomic balance & Auxiliary equations \\
\hline
Turbine & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Turbine}} + \dot{C}_3 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Turbine}} \) & - \\
HRVG & \( \dot{E}_{\text{HRVG}} + \dot{C}_4 + \dot{C}_{\text{HRVG}} \) & - \\
CPC & \( \dot{E}_{\text{CPC}} + \dot{C}_5 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,CPC}} \) & - \\
Pump 1 & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Pump1}} + \dot{C}_6 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Pump1}} \) & - \\
Pump 2 & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Pump2}} + \dot{C}_7 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Pump2}} \) & - \\
Condenser & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Condenser}} + \dot{C}_8 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Condenser}} \) & - \\
Evaporator & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Evaporator}} + \dot{C}_9 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Evaporator}} \) & - \\
Ejector & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Ejector}} + \dot{C}_10 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Ejector}} \) & - \\
Expansion valve & \( \dot{E}_{\text{Expansion valve}} + \dot{C}_11 + \dot{C}_{\text{u,Expansion valve}} \) & - \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\end{table}
Table 7. Required information in LCA for each component.

| Component | Materials composition Eco’99 (mpts/kg) | Material (mpts/kg) | Process (mpts/kg) | Disposal (mpts/kg) |
|-----------|----------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Evaporator | Steel 100% 86                           | 86                 | 12.1              | -70               |
| Condenser | Steel 100% 86                           | 86                 | 12.1              | -70               |
| Pump      | Cast iron 65% 240 Steel 35% 86          | 186                | 16.5              | -70               |
| Steam turbine | Steel 25% 86 Steel high alloy 75% 910 | 704                | 12.1              | -70               |
| HRVG      | Steel 26% 86 Steel high alloy 74%       | 696                | 12.1              | -70               |
| CPC       | Steel 98% 86 glass 2% 58                | 85                 | 7.3               | -69               |

Table 8. Correlation weight function for equipment.

| Component | Weight function (ton) |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Evaporator| $w_{\text{Evaporator}} = 13.9(Q^{0.68})$, MW |
| Condenser | $w_{\text{Condenser}} = 0.073(Q^{0.99})$, MW |
| Pump      | $w_{\text{Pump}} = 0.125 \ln(\dot{W}) - 0.041$, kW |
| Steam turbine | $w_{\text{Steam turbine}} = 4.9 (\dot{W}^{0.73})$, MW |
| HRVG      | $w_{\text{HRVG}} = 8.42(Q^{0.87})$, MW |
| CPC       | $w_{\text{CPC}} = 0.062(L)$, m |

Table 9. The exergoenvironmental balance of equipment.

| Component      | Exergoenvironmental balance | Auxiliary equations |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Turbine        | $Y_{\text{Turbine}} + B_{12} = B_{13} + B_{\text{in,Turbine}}$ | -                   |
| HRVG           | $Y_{\text{HRVG}} + B_{14} = B_{15}$ | $b_{12} = b_{13}$ |
| CPC            | $Y_{\text{CPC}} + B_{16} + B_{\text{in,CPC}} = B_{16}$ | $b_{\text{in,CPC}} = 0$ |
| Pump 1         | $Y_{\text{Pump,1}} + B_{18} = B_{\text{in,Pump,1}} + B_{1}$ | $b_{\text{in,Pump,1}} = 6.206$ (mpts/h) [55] |
| Pump 2         | $Y_{\text{Pump,2}} + B_{19} = B_{\text{in,Pump,2}} + B_{15}$ | $b_{\text{in,Pump,2}} = b_{\text{in,Pump,1}}$ |
| Condenser      | $Y_{\text{Condenser}} + B_{12} = B_{13}$ | $b_{12} = 0$, $b_4 = b_3$ |
| Evaporator     | $Y_{\text{Evaporator}} + B_{16} = B_{17} + B_{11}$ | $b_{16} = 0$, $b_8 = b_9$ |
| Ejector        | $Y_{\text{Ejector}} + B_{12} = B_{11}$ | -                   |
| Expansion valve| $Y_{\text{Expansion valve}} + B_{13} = B_8$ | -                   |
4. Results and Discussion

The results of energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental analysis on the CCP cycle are presented in Tables 10-14 for each of the states. The analyzed cycle in this research is assessed with five organic working fluids include of R152A, R142b, R236FA, R245fa, and R134a. The turbine inlet flow has the most pressure and enthalpy, among other flow states, because of being super-heated. Moreover, point 2, because of being super-heated, has the most cost rate and exergy rate, and among all the analyzed fluids, the most value of enthalpy, cost rate, and exergy rate are related to R152A. It can be concluded that this fluid has the most capacity in the CCP cycle, and after that, there is R134a.

R245fa and R236FA have the lowest capacity among analyzed fluids. This different variable capacity can have the most impact on the exergy destruction rate of each equipment and energy and exergy efficiencies of the CCP cycle.

Figure 4. The Flowchart of the computational process.

Table 10. Thermodynamic properties of each state points of the CCP cycle for R152A.

| State point | Fluid | $P$ (kPa) | $T$ (K) | $h$ (kJ/kg) | $s$ (kJ/kg.K) | $\dot{m}$ (kg/s) | $\dot{E}_x$ (kW) | $\dot{C}$ ($/h$) | $\dot{b}$ (mpts/h) |
|-------------|-------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1           | R152A | 1200      | 304.22  | 254.92      | 1.18          | 4.5            | 284.89         | 68.15          | 6477           |
| 2           | R152A | 1200      | 388     | 626.76      | 2.31          | 4.5            | 445.34         | 106.54         | 10126          |
| 3           | R152A | 610       | 363.75  | 604.96      | 2.33          | 4.5            | 320.22         | 72.99          | 6948           |
| 4           | R152A | 480.35    | 319.47  | 621.17      | 2.41          | 5              | 328.80         | 78.42          | 7465           |
| 5           | R152A | 480.35    | 290.77  | 230.503     | 1.107         | 5              | 313.74         | 74.83          | 7123           |
| 6           | R152A | 480.35    | 290.77  | 230.503     | 1.107         | 0.5            | 31.37          | 7.48           | 712.3          |
| 7           | R152A | 480.35    | 290.77  | 230.503     | 1.107         | 0.5            | 30.24          | 7.48           | 712.3          |
| 8           | R152A | 335.69    | 280     | 230.503     | 1.19          | 0.5            | 29.13          | 5.43           | 516.6          |
| 9           | R152A | 335.69    | 280     | 510.63      | 2.10          | 0.5            | 29.13          | 5.43           | 516.6          |
| 10          | Water | 101       | 294.15  | 88.19       | 0.31          | 2.5            | 0.28           | 0              | 0              |
| 11          | Water | 101       | 281.91  | 36.91       | 0.13          | 2.5            | 4.89           | 3.44           | 198.3          |
| 12          | Water | 101       | 295     | 91.74       | 0.32          | 27             | 1.89           | 0              | 0              |
| 13          | Water | 101       | 302.06  | 121.27      | 0.42          | 27             | 2.87           | 4.26           | 342            |
| 14          | Water | 200       | 390     | 490.45      | 1.49          | 40             | 1985.6         | 172.54         | 16098          |
| 15          | Water | 350       | 390.2   | 490.65      | 1.49          | 40             | 2229.3         | 174.27         | 16276          |
| 16          | Water | 200       | 393.36  | 532.28      | 1.60          | 40             | 2388.8         | 208.95         | 19515          |

Table 11. Thermodynamic properties of each state points of the CCP cycle for R142b.

| State point | Fluid | $P$ (kPa) | $T$ (K) | $h$ (kJ/kg) | $s$ (kJ/kg.K) | $\dot{m}$ (kg/s) | $\dot{E}_x$ (kW) | $\dot{C}$ ($/h$) | $\dot{b}$ (mpts/h) |
|-------------|-------|-----------|---------|-------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1           | R142b | 1200      | 303.38  | 239.24      | 1.133         | 4.5            | 130.80         | 22.61          | 2150           |
| 2           | R142b | 1200      | 388     | 508.87      | 1.915         | 4.5            | 294.86         | 50.97          | 4847           |
| 3           | R142b | 610       | 366.39  | 494.85      | 1.927         | 4.5            | 214.56         | 25.37          | 2422           |
| 4           | R142b | 389.75    | 306.50  | 510.70      | 1.978         | 5              | 157.56         | 26.71          | 2549           |
| 5           | R142b | 389.75    | 302.88  | 238.37      | 1.13          | 5              | 141.64         | 24.01          | 2291           |
| 6           | R142b | 389.75    | 302.88  | 238.37      | 1.13          | 0.5            | 14.16          | 2.40           | 229.2          |
| 7           | R142b | 389.75    | 302.88  | 238.37      | 1.13          | 0.5            | 13.45          | 2.40           | 229.2          |
| 8           | R142b | 185.59    | 280     | 238.37      | 1.137         | 0.5            | 7.48           | 1.33           | 127.5          |
| 9           | R142b | 185.59    | 280     | 422.47      | 1.794         | 0.5            | 7.48           | 1.33           | 127.5          |
| 10          | Water | 101       | 294.15  | 88.19       | 0.31          | 2.5            | 0.28           | 0              | 0              |
| 11          | Water | 101       | 285.35  | 51.37       | 0.183         | 2.5            | 2.95           | 1.75           | 103.7          |
| 12          | Water | 101       | 295     | 91.74       | 0.322         | 27             | 1.89           | 0              | 0              |
| 13          | Water | 101       | 303.96  | 129.21      | 0.447         | 27             | 6.31           | 3.44           | 257.7          |
| 14          | Water | 200       | 390     | 490.45      | 1.493         | 40             | 1985.6         | 172.54         | 16098          |
| 15          | Water | 350       | 390.2   | 490.65      | 1.493         | 40             | 2229.3         | 174.27         | 16276          |
| 16          | Water | 200       | 393.36  | 520.78      | 1.571         | 40             | 2277.5         | 200.49         | 18724          |
4.1 The Results of Exergy Analysis

Input conditions for all of the fluids are the same, but according to their different thermodynamic properties, each component’s exergy fuel and exergy product are different. The results of the exergy analysis for each of the components are presented in Tables 15-19. In all the fluids, HRVG, whose task is to transfer the heat from the solar system to the CCP cycle, and CPC have the most value of exergy destruction rate. The most obtained exergy destruction rate for these two components is for R152A and R134a. By decreasing the irreversibility, the efficiency of the cycle will be increased.
Table 15. Results of exergy analysis for each component for the R152A.

| Component      | $EX_C$ (kW) | $EX_P$ (kW) | $EX_D$ (kW) |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Condenser      | 15.062      | 0.980       | 14.082      |
| CPC            | 187.14      | 159.51      | 27.62       |
| Ejector        | 342.154     | 328.805     | 13.349      |
| Evaporator     | 8.309       | 4.525       | 3.783       |
| HRVG           | 403.187     | 160.454     | 242.733     |
| Pump 1         | 2.960       | 2.525       | 0.435       |
| Pump 2         | 7.930       | 6.718       | 1.212       |
| Turbine        | 125.125     | 98.106      | 27.019      |
| Expansion valve| 31.374      | 30.241      | 1.132       |

4.2 The Results of Exergoeconomic Analysis

The results of exergoeconomic analysis for each of the fluids are presented in Tables 20-24. By calculating the unit cost of exergy of each of the state flows, the cost rates of fuel, product, and destruction of all the components in the CCP cycle will be calculated. The total cost rate consists of the sum of loss cost rate, exergy destruction cost rate, and investment cost rate. The loss cost rate is ignored in this research. The most value of exergy destruction cost rate for R152A is related to the CPC.

Relative cost deference of each equipment is calculated according to Eq. (25). After CPC, which has the most value among all the fluids, the condenser with R152A and R236FA as well as the pump 1 with R142b, R245fa, and R134a have the second place. This parameter’s high value can be caused by the investment cost rate and exergy destruction cost rate. In order to distinguish this topic, the exergoeconomic factor concept is used. For R152A and R236FA, this condenser value is low, indicating the high-cost rate of exergy destruction in this component according to the high heat transmission. Additionally, in R142b, R245fa, R134a fluids, the pump has high exergoeconomic factors that make it clear that the high-acquired relative cost deference is because of the high investment cost rate according to its work.

Table 16. Results of exergy analysis for each component for the R142b.

| Component      | $EX_C$ (kW) | $EX_P$ (kW) | $EX_D$ (kW) |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Condenser      | 15.062      | 0.980       | 14.082      |
| CPC            | 187.14      | 159.51      | 27.62       |
| Ejector        | 342.154     | 328.805     | 13.349      |
| Evaporator     | 8.309       | 4.525       | 3.783       |
| HRVG           | 403.187     | 160.454     | 242.733     |
| Pump 1         | 2.960       | 2.525       | 0.435       |
| Pump 2         | 7.930       | 6.718       | 1.212       |
| Turbine        | 125.125     | 98.106      | 27.019      |
| Expansion valve| 31.374      | 30.241      | 1.132       |

Table 17. Results of exergy analysis for each component for the R236FA.

| Component      | $EX_C$ (kW) | $EX_P$ (kW) | $EX_D$ (kW) |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Condenser      | 15.062      | 0.980       | 14.082      |
| CPC            | 187.14      | 159.51      | 27.62       |
| Ejector        | 342.154     | 328.805     | 13.349      |
| Evaporator     | 8.309       | 4.525       | 3.783       |
| HRVG           | 403.187     | 160.454     | 242.733     |
| Pump 1         | 2.960       | 2.525       | 0.435       |
| Pump 2         | 7.930       | 6.718       | 1.212       |
| Turbine        | 125.125     | 98.106      | 27.019      |
| Expansion valve| 31.374      | 30.241      | 1.132       |

Table 18. Results of exergy analysis for each component for the R245fa.

| Component      | $EX_C$ (kW) | $EX_P$ (kW) | $EX_D$ (kW) |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Condenser      | 15.062      | 0.980       | 14.082      |
| CPC            | 187.14      | 159.51      | 27.62       |
| Ejector        | 342.154     | 328.805     | 13.349      |
| Evaporator     | 8.309       | 4.525       | 3.783       |
| HRVG           | 403.187     | 160.454     | 242.733     |
| Pump 1         | 2.960       | 2.525       | 0.435       |

Table 20. The exergoeconomic results of each component for R152A.

| Component      | $c_c$ (S/MJ) | $c_e$ (S/MJ) | $C_c$ ($) | $C_e$ ($) | $C_{c+c_e}$ ($) | $Z$ ($) | $Z/(C_c + C_e)$ ($) |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------|----------------------|
| Condenser      | 0.066        | 1.207        | 3.592     | 4.262     | 61.234         | 0.669  | 61.904               |
| CPC            | 0.063        | 0.024        | 34.679    | 78.691    | 113.371        | Infinity|                      |
| Ejector        | 0.068        | 0.211        | 3.449     | 2.884     | 13.925         | 4.276  | 207.850              |
| Evaporator     | 0.025        | 0.066        | 36.412    | 58.071    | 94.583         | 60.046 | 164.908              |
| HRVG           | 0.015        | 0.088        | 0.159     | 0.807     | 0.980          | 0.786  | 0.998                |
| Pump 1         | 0.015        | 0.071        | 0.428     | 1.312     | 1.732          | 1.614  | 377.478              |
| Expansion valve| 0.066        | 0.068        | 7.483     | 7.488     | 2.800          | 0.004  | 3.813                |

Table 21. The exergoeconomic results of each component for R142b.

| Component      | $c_c$ (S/MJ) | $c_e$ (S/MJ) | $C_c$ ($) | $C_e$ ($) | $C_{c+c_e}$ ($) | $Z$ ($) | $Z/(C_c + C_e)$ ($) |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|--------|----------------------|
| Condenser      | 0.047        | 0.216        | 2.706     | 3.447     | 8.980          | 0.747  | 9.727                |
| CPC            | 0.033        | 0.047        | 25.101    | 57.482    | 82.583         | Infinity|                      |
| Ejector        | 0.049        | 0.182        | 2.156     | 0.685     | 2.841          | 22.092 | 40.94                |
| Evaporator     | 0.025        | 0.088        | 2.836     | 1.528     | 2.362          | 3.449  | 80.67               |
| Pump 1         | 0.015        | 0.083        | 0.210     | 0.172     | 0.385          | 0.960  | 456.07               |
| Pump 2         | 0.015        | 0.071        | 1.322     | 1.304     | 2.626          | 377.47 | 80.66               |
| Turbine        | 0.088        | 0.142        | 25.607    | 8.841     | 15.627         | 61.04  | 43.42               |
| Expansion valve| 0.047        | 0.049        | 2.401     | 2.406     | 0.127          | 0.004  | 5.49                |
4.3 The Results of Exergoenvironmental Analysis

The results of exergoenvironmental analysis with different working fluids are shown in Tables 25-29. The highest value of environmental impact is related to CPC for R152A. Moreover, the high environmental impact rate associated with exergy or component-related environmental impacts indicates these components have a high potential to improve their environmental condition. The reason that makes these working fluids more significant is the low product environmental impact in the analyzed cycle related to the turbine and the evaporator. The lowest obtained rate is associated with R236FA.

The environmental impacts of consumed electricity in the pump are considered 6.206(mpts/MJ)[55]. The exergoenvironmental factor of each component is calculated by Eq. (35), and the most exergoenvironmental factor rate in all the fluids is related to CPC and HRVG. Due to the fact that it can be concluded that in order to decrease the environmental impact of these components, their substructure process like fabrication and disposal should be changed. The most relative environmental impact difference in all fluids is related to CPC, indicating the high importance of its environmental impact compared to other components. This analysis suggests that increasing destruction exergy will increase the environmental effect in an unfavorable factor in cycle designing.
In order to select the best working fluids to use in the CCP cycle, the cycle should be checked in different terms. The priority for a thermodynamic cycle is the rates and impacts of the product that is consisted of working fluid processing. In this analysis, the outlet of the evaporator and the turbine are considered as the final product. These values can have direct effects on cost, efficiency, and environmental impacts. The most important proposal that
can be considered is to make the maximum energy and exergy efficiencies in a way that it be possible to manage it economically. Therefore, it is tried to decrease the product cost rate and total cost rate in order to make it more economical.

One of the advantages of the presented research is the CCP cycle installs without fossil fuel combustion, and a lack of carbon dioxide release follows it. Moreover, the cycle’s needed heat is provided by CPC. On the other hand, all component materials should be compatible with the environment.

In Table 30, the results of the analysis of the organic fluids have been compared. R152A and R245fa have the most rate of energy efficiency and exergy efficiency, among other fluids. However, in terms of economy, R245fa fluid is favorable because, with the same efficiency, it has a lower total cost and product cost rates compared to R152A. On the other hand, R134a has the lowest energy efficiency, exergy efficiency, and R236FA has the lowest product cost rate among all working fluids. In addition, R245fa, with the lowest value of the environmental impact rate, is the best choice environmentally while R152A has the most value of environmental impact rate.

### 4.4 Sensitivity Analysis

#### 4.4.1 The effects of the turbine inlet temperature

The effects of turbine inlet temperature on energy efficiency, exergy efficiency, product cost rate, and total cost rate have been checked. The range of its variations is from 374(K) to 392(K). According to Figure 5 and Figure 6, by increasing T2, the energy efficiency and exergy efficiency of all five fluids will decrease, and the R236FA and R134a have the most energy efficiency decrease by about 6%. It can be concluded that by increasing T2, the exergy destruction rate will increase.

The cost function analysis indicates that by increasing T2, the rates of total cost and the product cost will increase, and the product cost of R236FA has the most increase about 23%, and total cost of R152A has the most growth about10%(Figure 7 and Figure 8). This incremental process is an unfavorable factor in the cycle. The results of changes in turbine inlet temperature indicate that lower T2 is more appropriate for the operation cycle.

| Fluid | Energy efficiency (%) | Exergy efficiency (%) | Cooling capacity (kW) | Product cost rate ($/h) | Total cost rate ($/h) | Environmental impact rate (mpts/h) |
|-------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| R152A | 12.9                   | 7.8                   | 128.2                 | 46.2                   | 266.5                 | 22688                             |
| R142b | 11.8                   | 6.9                   | 92.05                 | 34.1                   | 148                   | 12576                             |
| R236FA| 10.5                   | 6.5                   | 64.8                  | 20.6                   | 175.5                 | 15493                             |
| R245fa| 12.9                   | 8.3                   | 88.225                | 36                     | 128.4                 | 10836                             |
| R134a | 10.1                   | 5.2                   | 80.025                | 27                     | 177.6                 | 15220                             |

Figure 5. The effects of the turbine inlet temperature on energy efficiency.

Figure 6. The effects of the turbine inlet temperature on the exergy efficiency.

Table 30. Comparison of different working fluids performance.
4.4.2 The effects of the turbine inlet pressure

The results of changes in the turbine inlet pressure are shown in Figs. 9 to 12. The range of pressure changes is considered 1 (MPa) to 1.7 (MPa). Because the generated power in the turbine is related to its pressure difference created before and after it and its effects on cycle product, $P_3$ changes analysis is more important than the other parameters. The results indicate that energy efficiency and exergy efficiency increase by increasing $P_3$. R134a has the most energy efficiency and exergy efficiency increase by 40%. Increasing in $P_3$ is the most significant factor in decreasing the exergy destruction rate.

According to Figure 11, by increasing $P_3$, the product cost rate in all the analyzed fluids will increase partially. Because the exergy efficiency increased, it shows that the CCP cycle with larger $P_3$ has more capacity, but according to Figure 12, it is decreased because of the decrease of exergy destruction cost rate.
4.5 Optimization Results

In this study, multi-objective optimization is done by using NSGA II to find an appropriate condition. Therefore, objective functions are determined through this process. The Pareto frontier diagram indicates the results of the optimization. Three essential variables with a specific and same changes range are used according to Table 31. Because one of the most important suggestions of this research is comparing the working fluids, the results are indicated on a diagram for a better description. In most thermodynamic cycles, increasing efficiency will increase cost, which is an unfavorable factor. The optimization principles are based on maximizing energy and exergy efficiencies, while product cost and product environmental impact rates should be minimized.

An ideal point on the Pareto frontier is when each objective function is optimized regardless of satisfaction with the other objective functions. Obviously, in multi-objective optimization, each objective function cannot have each objective function in its optimal condition acquired a single-objective optimization. Thus, the ideal point is not located on the Pareto frontier. In the LINMAP method, the solution with a minimum distance from the ideal point is selected as the final optimal solution. In this study, the LINMAP method has been used to determine the optimal point in multi-objective optimizations.

According to Figure 13, the optimization results with objective functions of exergy efficiency and total product cost rate for discussed fluids are shown. Point E indicates the optimal condition of R152A that has higher exergy efficiency and total product cost compared to other fluids. However, when comparing it to other fluids, it is shown that the almost same exergy efficiency in lower total product cost rate can be acquired like C and D points that are related to R142b and R245fa. At point A, the total product cost is about 60 percent lower than at point E, while its exergy efficiency is just 17 percent lower. Therefore, it can be concluded that R234FA is the optimal choice in terms of exergy and exergoeconomic analyses. Choosing the appropriate working fluids for optimal operation conditions significantly impacts the outlet cycle's product quality.

According to Figure 14, the optimization results with energy efficiency and product environmental impact objective functions are shown. Among discussed fluids in this study, point I related to R245fa has the most efficiency while product environmental impact has an average rate. Furthermore, point H shows that the rates of R142b are in the next place. On the other hand, point F, which indicates that R236FA has the lowest environmental impact.
Table 32. Optimized values of different design parameters.

| Parameters                                      | The base case of 744 | The base case of 744A | B   | E   | H   | K   |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Compressor outlet pressure(MPa)                 | 9.75                 | 9.75                  | 9.59| 9.60| 9.85| 9.64|
| Ejector inlet Temperature(K)                    | 313                  | 313                   | 315.1| 315.8| 316.1| 316.8|
| Evaporator outlet temperature(K)                | 278                  | 278                   | 277.4| 277.9| 278 | 278 |
| Exergy efficiency (%)                           | 30.74                | 35.98                 | 28.51| 34.44| -   | -   |
| Total product cost($/h)                         | 1.56                 | 1.96                  | 1.44 | 1.85 | -   | -   |
| Coefficient of operation                        | 2.82                 | 2.73                  | -   | -   | 2.67| 2.76|
| Product environment impact(mpts/h)              | 154.03               | 204.25                | -   | -   | 149.01| 200.482|

The parameters and value of objective functions from multi-objective optimization are shown in Table 32. Therefore, to make the cycle's optimal condition, this table's presented values should be used.

Figure 14. The Pareto frontier of the optimum solution with energy efficiency and product environmental impact.

5. Conclusion

The analyzed cycle consists of two parts include the CCP cycle and the solar system. Because of the high capacity of the compound, a parabolic collector (CPC) is used. The operation of the CCP cycle with different working fluids is compared and checked. Because each of the fluids has different thermodynamic properties, the solar cycle's needed heat is different for all of them. The obtained number of collectors is different for each of the fluids. R152A has the largest number of collectors, and R236FA has the lowest number of collectors.

On the other hand, the number of collectors used in the cycle directly relates to the total cost. All the input parameters except turbine outlet pressure are considered the same with all fluids. The proposed cycle is checked in terms of energy, exergy, exergoeconomic, and exergoenvironmental. In the end, multi-objective optimization is done by using different objective functions.

- The energy analysis results show that among checked fluids, the most energy efficiency is related to R152A and R245fa by 12.9%, the lowest value is associated with R134a by 10.1%.
- At the same time, R152A provides the most outlet power for the turbine.
- The survey on irreversibility indicates that CPC and HRVG have the highest value of exergy destruction rate.
- According to the analysis by using the second thermodynamic law, the most exergy efficiency is for R245fa by 8.3%, and the lowest value is for R134a by 5.2%.
- The exergoeconomic analysis results and calculating the product cost rate and total cost rate indicate that their most rate is related to R152A while R236FA presents the economical product.
- According to the obtained results from exergoenvironmental analysis with checking different working fluids, it is determined that R152A and R245fa have the highest and lowest value of environmental impact rate, respectively.
- By checking and comparing the different working fluids, it can be concluded that R245fa, while having the most efficiency of energy and exergy, has the lowest total cost and environmental impact rate. Therefore, R245fa is the most appropriate fluid for the CCP cycle from different viewpoints.
- The sensitivity analysis results with changes of the turbine inlet pressure indicate that its increase makes the efficiency of energy and exergy higher while decreasing the total cost rate of all fluids, and it is considered as a favorable factor.

The diagram of optimization results indicates that points D and I are the most appropriate among all of the obtained points for different fluids related to R245fa.

Nomenclature

- A  Heat transfer area (m²)
- b  Unit environmental impact (mpts/MJ)
- B  Environmental impact rate (mpts/h)
- \( B_D \)  Destruction environmental impact rate (mpts/h)
- c  The unit cost of exergy ($/MJ)
- \( C \)  Cost rate ($/hour)
- \( C_D \)  Destruction cost rate ($/hour)
\[ c_p, \quad \text{Specific heat (kJ/kg K)} \]
\[ C_p, \quad \text{Production cost rate ($/hour)} \]
\[ C_{\text{total}}, \quad \text{Total cost rate ($/hour)} \]

CCHP
Combined cooling, heating, and power

CCP
Combine cooling and power

CPC
Compound parabolic collector

CRF
Capital recovery factor

\( E \)
Energy rate (kW)

ETC
Evacuated tube collector

\( E_X \)
Exergy rate (kW)

\( f_b \)
Exergoenvironmental factor

\( f_c \)
Exergoeconomic factor

FPC
Flat plate collector

\( h \)
Specific enthalpy (kJ/kg)

HRVG
Heat recovery vapor generator

\( I \)
Loss

LCA
Life cycle assessment

\( m \)
Mass flow rate (kg/s)

\( n \)
Component lifetime (year)

OFC
Organic flash cycle

ORC
Organic Rankine cycle

\( P \)
Pressure (kPa)

\( r_b \)
Relative environmental impacts difference

\( r_c \)
Relative cost difference (%)

\( s \)
Specific entropy (kJ/kg K)

\( t \)
Time (h)

\( T \)
Temperature (K)

\( U \)
Heat transfer coefficient (W/m²K)

\( U_L \)
Collector heat loss coefficient (W/m²K)

\( V \)
Velocity(m/s)

\( w \)
Weight(Ton)

\( W \)
Power(kW)

\( \dot{Y} \)
Component-related environmental impacts (mPts/h)

\( \dot{Z} \)
capital investment cost rate ($/hour)

\( Z^{cl} \)
Investment cost($/hour)

Greek Letters

\( \alpha_c \)
corraptivity of receiver

\( Y \)
Exergy factor for diffuse radiation

\( Y_{D,k} \)
Exergy destruction ratio

\( \eta \)
Efficiency

\( \mu \)
Entrainment ratio

\( \rho \)
Mirror reflectivity

\( \sigma \)
Rupture stress(MPa)/ Stefan-Boltzmann constant(J.m².s⁻¹.K⁻⁴)

\( \tau_{\text{cover}} \)
transmissivity of the cover glazing

\( \tau_{\text{CPC}} \)
effective transmissivity of CPC

\( \varphi \)
Maintenance factor

Subscripts and Superscripts

0
Dead state

a
Ambient

Ch
Chemical

D
DeSTRUCTION

e
Output

f
Fluid

F
Fuel

i
Input

P
Product

Ph
Physical

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