First Law Analysis for a Control Volume

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Assumptions:

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- Control volume does not move relative to the coordinate frame.
- State of the mass at each point in the control volume does not vary with time.
- As for the mass that flows across the control surface, the mass flux and the state of this mass at each discrete area of flow on the control surface do not vary with time. The rates at which heat and work cross the control surface remain constant.

For example, a centrifugal air compressor that operates with a constant mass rate of flow into and out it, constant properties at each point across the inlet and exit ducts, a constant rate of heat transfer to the surroundings, and a constant power input. At each point in the compressor the properties are constant with time.

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Throttling Devices

A significant reduction in pressure can be achieved simply by introducing a restriction into a line through which a gas or liquid flows.



• For a control volume enclosing a throttling device, the only work is flow work at locations where mass enters and exits the control volume, so the term W_{cv} drops out.

There is usually no significant heat transfer with the surroundings and the change in potential energy from inlet to exit is negligible.
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Cengel Ex. 5.8: \triangleright R-134a enters the capillary tube of a refrigerator as saturated liquid at 0.8 MPa and is throttled to a pressure of 0.12 MPa. Determine x_2 and ΔT .



$\Rightarrow h_1 = h(R134a, P_1 = 0.8 MPa, x_1 = 0.0)$ $\Rightarrow h_1 = h_2 = h_{f, 0.12MPa} + x_2 h_{fg, 0.12MPa} \Rightarrow x_2 = 0.34 \triangleleft$ $\Rightarrow T_1 = T(R134a, P_1 = 0.8 MPa, x_1 = 0.0) \Rightarrow T_1 = 31.34^{\circ}C$ $\Rightarrow T_2 = T(R134a, P_2 = 0.12 MPa, sat.) \Rightarrow T_2 = -22.31^{\circ}C$ $\Rightarrow \Delta T = -53.64^{\circ}C \triangleleft$ (C) Dr. Md. Zahurul Haq (BUET) SSSF Processes - I ME 203 (2022-23) 6/13



Compressors & Pumps

Compressors and pumps are devices in which work is done on the substance flowing through them in order to increase the pressure and/or elevation. Compressor is used to compress a gas (vapour) and the term pump is used when the substance is a liquid.



Borgnakke Ex. 4.6: \triangleright A water pump is located 15 m down in a well, taking water in at 10°C, 90 kPa at a rate of 1.5 kg/s. The exit line is a pipe of diameter 0.04 m that goes up to a receiver tank maintaining a gauge pressure of 400 kPa. Assume that the process is adiabatic, with the same inlet and exit velocities, and the water stays at 10°C. Find the required pump work.



Moran Ex. 4.5: \triangleright Air Compressor Power: Determine power required, \dot{W}_{cv} .











