



Thermodynamic analysis of vapour compression refrigeration systems using multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, individual and compound expansion valves with flash intercoolers

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Abstract

In this investigation comparison and impact of environmental friendly refrigerants (R1234yf, R1234ze, R227ea, R134a, R236fa, R245fa and R-32) on multiple evaporators at different temperature with compound compression and flash intercooler with individual and multiple throttle valves was carried out on the basis of energetic-exergetic approach. The Numerical computation was done for both systems and Comparison was done in terms of coefficient of performance, rational efficiency and total system defect. It was observed that for all considered refrigerants second law & first law efficiency of system-1 is higher (approximately 6.29% to 7.2%) than system-2 conversely system defect of system-2 is higher than system-1. In terms of energetic efficiency, rational efficiency and system defect for both systems, R32 shows minimum performance and performances of R123, R245fa and R236fa better with comparison of other selected refrigerants for system-1 and system-2. The performance of HFC-134a and HFO refrigerants were compared and it was observed that the performance of HFC-134a and HFO-1234ze are similar with the 1% performance differences while HFO-1234yf has slightly less around 2 to 3% lower than HFC-134a which can replace HFC-134a in near future.

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1. Introduction

Nowadays most of the energy utilize in cooling and air conditioning in industrial as well as for domestic applications. In addition with energy consumption, using of refrigerants in cooling and air conditioning having high GWP and ODP are responsible for global warming and ozone depletion. The primary requirements of ideal refrigerants is having good physical and chemical properties, due to good physical and chemical properties such as non-corrosiveness, non-toxicity, non-flammability, low boiling point, Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) have been used over the last many decades. But hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) and Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) having large amount of chlorine content as well as high GWP and ODP, so after 90s refrigerants under these categories are almost prohibited [1]. Most of the study has been carried

out for the performance evaluation of vapour compression refrigeration system using energetic analysis. But with the help of first law analysis irreversibility destruction or losses in components of system unable to determined [2], so exergetic or second law analysis is the advanced approach for thermodynamic analysis which give an additional practical view of the processes [3,4,5]. In addition to this second law analysis also provides new thought for development in the existing system [6]. In this paper great emphasis put on saving of energy and using of ecofriendly refrigerants due to increase of energy crises, global warming and depletion of ozone layer. In this investigation the work input required running the vapour compression refrigeration system reduced by using compound compression and work input further decrease by flash intercooling between two compressors using of ecofriendly refrigerants.

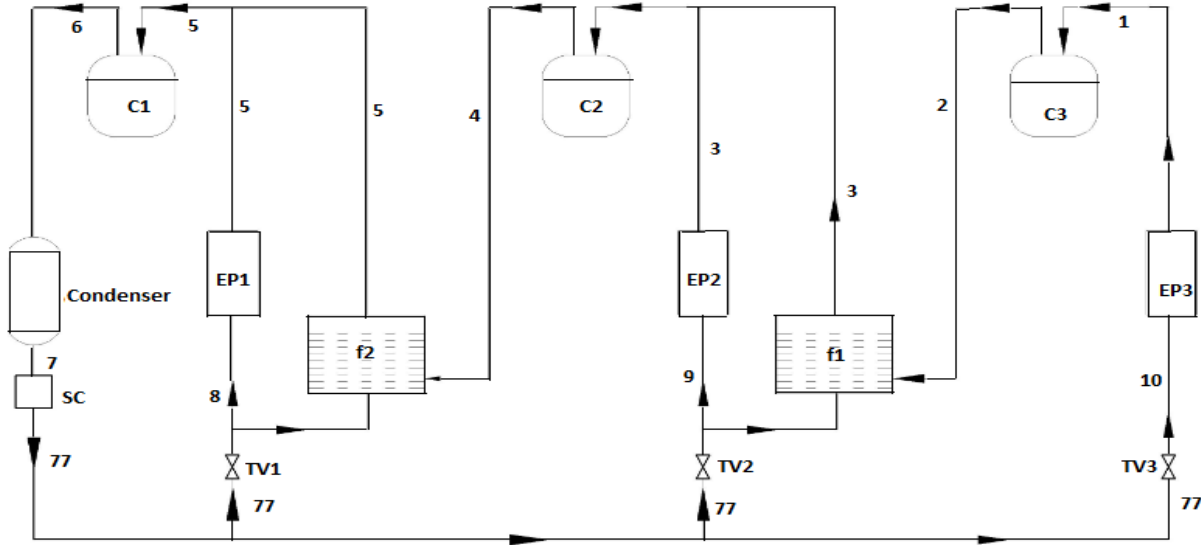


Figure 1: Multiple evaporators with compound compression and flash intercooler with individual throttle valves

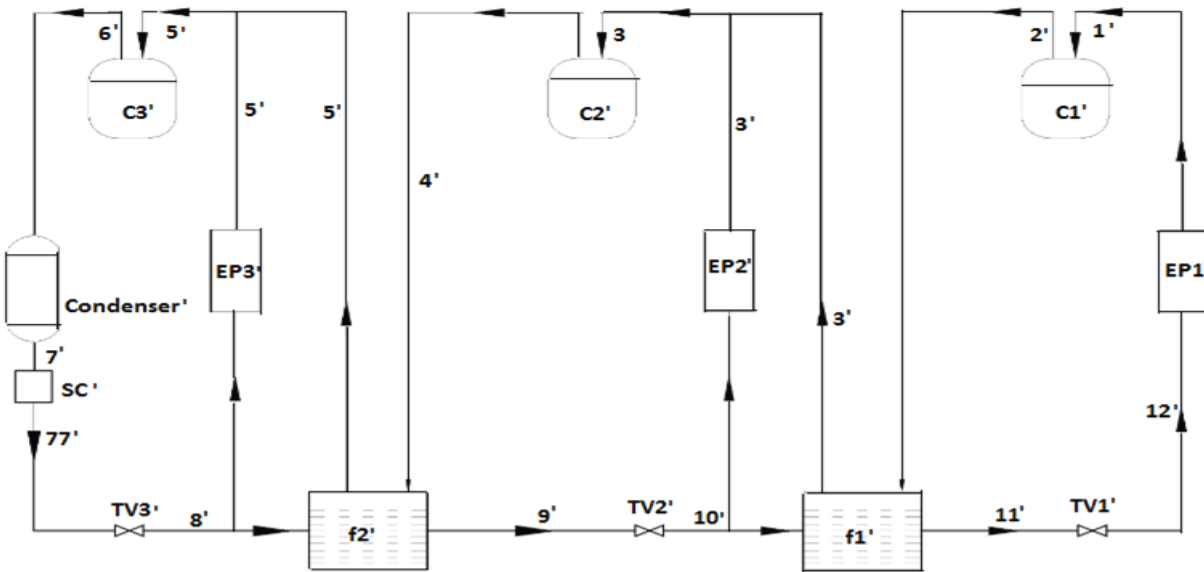


Figure 2: Multiple evaporators with compound compression and flash intercooler with multiple throttle valves

2. Thermodynamic modelling Energy –Exergy analysis of Vapour compression refrigeration systems using multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, flash intercooler and individual throttle valves (system-1)

Multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, flash intercooler and individual throttle valves (system-1) consists of compressors (C1, C2, C3) throttle valves (TV1, TV2, TV3), condenser and evaporators(EP1, EP2, EP3) as shown in Fig.1.

Exergy at any state is given as

$$X = (\Phi - \Phi_0) - T_0(s - s_0) \tag{2.1}$$

2.1 Energetic analysis

2.1.1 Mass flow analysis

$$\dot{m}_{c1} = \dot{m}_{e1} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e1}}{(\Phi_1 - \Phi_{10})} \tag{2.2}$$

$$\dot{m}_{e2} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e2}}{(\Phi_3 - \Phi_9)} \tag{2.3}$$

$$\dot{m}_{f1} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c1}(\Phi_2 - \Phi_3)}{(\Phi_3 - \Phi_9)} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\dot{m}_{c2} = \dot{m}_{c1} + \dot{m}_{e2} + \dot{m}_{f1} \quad (2.5)$$

$$\dot{m}_{e3} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e3}}{(\Phi_5 - \Phi_8)} \quad (2.6)$$

$$\dot{m}_{f2} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c2}(\Phi_4 - \Phi_5)}{(\Phi_5 - \Phi_8)} \quad (2.7)$$

$$\dot{m}_{c3} = \dot{m}_{c2} + \dot{m}_{e3} + \dot{m}_{f2} \quad (2.8)$$

2.1.2 Power required running the compressors

$$P_{c1} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c1}(\Phi_2 - \Phi_1)}{60} \quad (2.9)$$

$$P_{c2} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c2}(\Phi_4 - \Phi_3)}{60} \quad (2.10)$$

$$P_{c3} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c3}(\Phi_6 - \Phi_5)}{60} \quad (2.11)$$

2.1.3 Energetic performance

$$\text{Energetic performance} = \frac{\dot{Q}_e}{P_c * 60} \quad (2.12)$$

2.2 Rate of exergy loss due to irreversibilities ($T_o \dot{S}_{gen}$) in various components of system-1

Compressors

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c1} = \dot{W}_{c1} + \dot{m}_{c1}(X_2 - X_1) \quad (2.13)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c2} = \dot{W}_{c2} + \dot{m}_{c2}(X_4 - X_3) \quad (2.14)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c3} = \dot{W}_{c3} + \dot{m}_{c3}(X_6 - X_5) \quad (2.15)$$

Total irreversibility due to compressors

$$\Psi_c = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c1} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c2} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{c3} \quad (2.16)$$

Evaporators

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e1} = \dot{m}_{e1}(X_1 - X_{10}) - \dot{Q}_{e1} \left(1 - \frac{T_o}{T_{r1}}\right) \quad (2.17)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e2} = \dot{m}_{e2}(X_3 - X_9) - \dot{Q}_{e2} \left(1 - \frac{T_o}{T_{r2}}\right) \quad (2.18)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e3} = \dot{m}_{e3}(X_5 - X_8) - \dot{Q}_{e3} \left(1 - \frac{T_o}{T_{r3}}\right) \quad (2.19)$$

Total irreversibility due to evaporators

$$\Psi_e = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e1} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e2} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{e3} \quad (2.20)$$

Condenser

$$\Psi_{cond} = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{cond} = \dot{m}_{c3}(X_6 - X_7) - \dot{Q}_e \left(1 - \frac{T_o}{T_r}\right) \quad (2.21)$$

Throttle Valves

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv1} = \dot{m}_{e1}(X_{77} - X_{10}) \quad (2.22)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv2} = (\dot{m}_{e2} + \dot{m}_{f1})(X_{77} - X_9) \quad (2.23)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv3} = (\dot{m}_{e3} + \dot{m}_{f2})(X_{77} - X_8) \quad (2.24)$$

Total irreversibility due to throttle valves

$$\Psi_{tv} = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv1} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv2} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv3} \quad (2.25)$$

Subcooler

$$\Psi_{sc} = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{sc} = \dot{m}_{c3}(X_7 - X_{77}) \quad (2.26)$$

Flash intercoolers

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{f1} = \dot{m}_{f1}(X_9 - X_3 + \dot{m}_{c1}(X_2 - X_3)) \quad (2.27)$$

$$(T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{f2} = \dot{m}_{f2}(X_8 - X_5) + \dot{m}_{c1}(X_4 - X_5) \quad (2.28)$$

Total irreversibility due to flash intercoolers

$$\Psi_f = (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{f1} + (T_o \dot{S}_{gen})_{f2} \quad (2.29)$$

Total irreversibility destruction in system-1

$$\Sigma \Psi_k = \Psi_e + \Psi_c + \Psi_{cond} + \Psi_{tv} + \Psi_{sc} + \Psi_f \quad (2.30)$$

3. Energy-Exergy analysis of Vapour compression refrigeration systems using multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, flash intercooler and multiple throttle valves (system-2)

The main components of Multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, flash intercooler and multiple throttle valves (system-2) are compressors (C1, C2, C3) throttle valves (TV1, TV2, TV3), condenser (cond) and evaporators (EP1, EP2, EP3) as shown in Fig. 2. Exergy at any state is given as

$$X = (\Phi - \Phi_0) - T_0(s - s_0) \quad (3.1)$$

3.1 Energetic analysis

3.1.1 Mass flow analysis

$$\dot{m}_{c1} = \dot{m}_{e1} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e1}}{(\Phi_{1'} - \Phi_{12'})} \quad (3.2)$$

$$\dot{m}_{e2} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e2}}{(\Phi_{3'} - \Phi_{10'})} + \dot{m}_{c1} \left(\frac{x_{10'}}{1 - x_{10'}} \right) \quad (3.3)$$

$$\dot{m}_{f1} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c1}(\Phi_{2'} - \Phi_{3'})}{(\Phi_{3'} - \Phi_{10'})} \quad (3.4)$$

$$\dot{m}_{c2} = \dot{m}_{c1} + \dot{m}_{e2} + \dot{m}_{f1} \quad (3.5)$$

$$\dot{m}_{e3} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{e3}}{(\Phi_{5'} - \Phi_{8'})} + \dot{m}_{c2} \left(\frac{x_{8'}}{1 - x_{8'}} \right) \quad (3.6)$$

$$\dot{m}_{f2} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c2}(\Phi_{4'} - \Phi_{5'})}{(\Phi_{5'} - \Phi_{8'})} \quad (3.7)$$

3.1.2 Power required for running the compressors

$$P_{c1'} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c1'}(\Phi_{2'} - \Phi_{1'})}{60} \quad (3.8)$$

$$P_{c2'} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c2'}(\Phi_{4'} - \Phi_{3'})}{60} \quad (3.9)$$

$$P_{c3'} = \frac{\dot{m}_{c3'}(\Phi_{6'} - \Phi_{5'})}{60} \quad (3.10)$$

3.1.3 Energetic performance

$$\text{Energetic performance} = \frac{\dot{Q}_e'}{P_c * 60} \quad (3.11)$$

3.2 Rate of exergy loss due to irreversibilities ($T_0 \dot{S}_{gen}$) in various components of system-2

Compressor

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c1'} = \dot{W}_{c1'} + m_{c1'}(X_{2'} - X_{1'}) \quad (3.12)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c2'} = \dot{W}_{c2'} + m_{c2'}(X_{4'} - X_{3'}) \quad (3.13)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c3'} = \dot{W}_{c3'} + m_{c3'}(X_{6'} - X_{5'}) \quad (3.14)$$

Total irreversibility due to compressors

$$\psi_{c'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c1'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c2'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{c3'} \quad (3.15)$$

Evaporators

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e1'} = \dot{m}_{e1'}(X_{1'} - X_{12'}) - \dot{Q}_{e1'} \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_{r1'}}\right) \quad (3.16)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e2'} = \dot{m}_{e2'}(X_{3'} - X_{10'}) - \dot{Q}_{e2'} \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_{r2'}}\right) \quad (3.17)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e3'} = \dot{m}_{e3'}(X_{5'} - X_{8'}) - \dot{Q}_{e3'} \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_{r3'}}\right) \quad (3.18)$$

Total irreversibility due to evaporators

$$\psi_{e'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e1'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e2'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{e3'} \quad (3.19)$$

$$\psi_{cond'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{cond'} = \dot{m}_{c3'}(X_{6'} - X_{7'}) - \dot{Q}_{e'} \left(1 - \frac{T_0}{T_{r'}}\right) \quad (3.20)$$

Throttle Valves

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv1'} = \dot{m}_{e1'}(X_{11'} - X_{12'}) \quad (3.21)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv2'} = \dot{m}_{c2'}(X_{9'} - X_{10'}) \quad (3.22)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv3'} = \dot{m}_{c3'}(X_{77'} - X_{8'}) \quad (3.23)$$

Total irreversibility due to throttle valves

$$\psi_{tv'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv1'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv2'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{tv3'} \quad (3.24)$$

$$\psi_{sc'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{sc'} = \dot{m}_{c3'}(X_{7'} - X_{77'}) \quad (3.25)$$

Flash intercoolers

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{f1'} = \dot{m}_{f1'}(X_{10'} - X_{3'}) + \dot{m}_{c1'}(X_{2'} - X_{3'}) \quad (3.26)$$

$$(T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{f2'} = \dot{m}_{f2'}(X_{8'} - X_{5'}) + \dot{m}_{c2'}(X_{4'} - X_{5'}) \quad (3.27)$$

Total irreversibility due to flash intercoolers

$$\psi_{f'} = (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{f1'} + (T_0 \dot{S}_{gen})_{f2'} \quad (3.28)$$

Total irreversibility destruction in system-1

$$\sum \psi_{k'} = \psi_{e'} + \psi_{c'} + \psi_{cond'} + \psi_{tv'} + \psi_{sc'} + \psi_{f'} \quad (3.29)$$

3.3 Computation of Rational Efficiency

$$\text{Rational efficiency} = \frac{\text{Exergy of cooling load of evaporators}}{\text{Compressors work}} = \frac{EP}{\dot{W}} \quad (3.30)$$

For System-1, the rational efficiency or exergetic efficiency can be expressed as

$$\text{Rational efficiency} = \frac{(\dot{Q}_{e1} + \dot{Q}_{e2} + \dot{Q}_{e3}) - T_0 \left(\frac{\dot{Q}_{e1}}{T_{r1}} + \frac{\dot{Q}_{e2}}{T_{r2}} + \frac{\dot{Q}_{e3}}{T_{r3}} \right)}{P_c * 60} \quad (3.31)$$

For System-2, the rational efficiency or exergetic efficiency can be expressed as

$$\text{Rational efficiency} = \frac{(\dot{Q}_{e1'} + \dot{Q}_{e2'} + \dot{Q}_{e3'}) - T_0 \left(\frac{\dot{Q}_{e1'}}{T_{r1'}} + \frac{\dot{Q}_{e2'}}{T_{r2'}} + \frac{\dot{Q}_{e3'}}{T_{r3'}} \right)}{P_{c'} * 60} \quad (3.32)$$

4. Result and Discussion

For carrying out the energetic and exergetic analysis a numerical model has been developed. Comparison of multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression and flash intercooler with individual and multiple throttle valves and impact of chosen refrigerants on these systems was made using Engineering Equation Solver software [7]. In this investigation following assumptions were made

1. Loads (\dot{Q}_{e1} , \dot{Q}_{e2} and \dot{Q}_{e3}) on the evaporators EP₁, EP₂ and EP₃ are 35KW, 70KW and 105KW respectively.
2. Dead state temperature (T_0): 298K
3. Difference between evaporator and space temperature ($T_r - T_e$): 5K.
4. Adiabatic efficiency of compressor (η_c): 76%.
5. Dead state enthalpy (Φ_0) and entropy (s_0) of the refrigerants have been calculated corresponding to the dead state temperature (T_0) of 298K.
6. Temperature of evaporators EP₁, EP₂ and EP₃ are 263K, 273K and 283K respectively.
7. Condenser Temperature (T_c): 313 K
8. Degree of sub cooling (ΔT_{sc}): 10K.

Analysis of multi-stage vapour compression refrigerator and flash intercooler with individual or multiple throttle valves has been done in terms of COP, second law efficiency and irreversibility destruction. Energetic and exergetic performance of system-1 is higher than system-2 for selected temperature range of condenser and evaporators with chosen ecofriendly refrigerants. For both systems M 32 shows minimum thermal performance in terms of COP, second law efficiency and irreversibility. The validation of results for system-1 is given Table-1(a) respectively.

compound compression, flash intercooler and individual throttle valves

Table-1(a): Validation of Results of VCRS for 100% compressor efficiency: $Q_{EVA_1}=35\text{''kW''}$ $Q_{EVA_2}=70\text{''kW''}$ $Q_{EVA_3}=105\text{''kW''}$

| Parameter | Program | Ref [12] |
|-----------------|---------|----------|
| COP | 6.44 | 6.50 |
| Total Work (KW) | 32.61 | 32.77 |

The performance of actual systems were carried out and shown in Table-1(b) & table-1(c) respectively. It was observed that system-2 gives less thermodynamic performance than system-1 for all refrigerants.

4.1 For System-1: Vapour compression refrigeration systems using multiple evaporators at different temperatures with

Table-1(b) Thermal Performances (First law efficiency and Second law efficiency, etc.) of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) $T_{EVA_1}=263\text{''K''}$, $T_{EVA_2}=278\text{''K''}$, $T_{EVA_3}=283\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_1}=268\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_2}=283\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_3}=288\text{''K''}$,

| Refrigerants | COP | EDR | % ETA_II | Exergy_Fuel (KW) | Exergy_Product (KW) | Rational efficiency | Second Law efficiency |
|--------------|-------|-------|----------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| R12 | 5.134 | 1.963 | 0.3375 | 40.9 | 13.81 | 0.3375 | 0.5747 |
| R134a | 5.091 | 1.988 | 0.3347 | 41.25 | 13.81 | 0.3347 | 0.5699 |
| R1234yf | 5.0 | 2.042 | 0.3287 | 42.0 | 13.81 | 0.3287 | 0.5597 |
| R1234ze | 5.112 | 1.975 | 0.3361 | 41.08 | 13.81 | 0.3361 | 0.5722 |
| R-32 | 4.89 | 2.111 | 0.3215 | 42.95 | 13.81 | 0.3215 | 0.5473 |
| R227ea | 4.902 | 2.103 | 0.3223 | 42.84 | 13.81 | 0.3223 | 0.5488 |
| R236fa | 5.093 | 1.986 | 0.3346 | 41.23 | 13.81 | 0.3348 | 0.5701 |
| R245fa | 5.26 | 1.892 | 0.3458 | 39.93 | 13.81 | 0.3458 | 0.5888 |
| R123 | 5.299 | 1.87 | 0.3484 | 39.63 | 13.81 | 0.3484 | 0.5932 |

Table-1.(c) Exergy Destruction of various components based on exergy of fuel of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) $T_{EVA_1}=263\text{''K''}$, $T_{EVA_2}=278\text{''K''}$, $T_{EVA_3}=283\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_1}=268\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_2}=283\text{''K''}$, $T_{R_3}=288\text{''K''}$,

| Refrigerants | % loss Eva | % loss valve | % loss Condenser | % loss comp | % Loss_Subcooler | % Loss_(F1+F2) | % Loss_Total |
|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| R12 | 10.34 | 7.058 | 27.91 | 18.87 | 2.039 | 0.02573 | 66.25 |
| R134a | 10.26 | 7.744 | 27.35 | 18.94 | 2.208 | 0.0240 | 66.53 |
| R1234yf | 8.505 | 8.545 | 28.21 | 19.23 | 2.632 | 0.00107 | 67.13 |
| R1234ze | 9.905 | 8.066 | 26.91 | 19.27 | 2.231 | 0.00393 | 66.39 |
| R-32 | 9.892 | 7.104 | 30.63 | 17.76 | 2.366 | 0.1042 | 67.85 |
| R227ea | 9.733 | 10.28 | 25.67 | 19.29 | 2.806 | 0.0059 | 67.77 |
| R236fa | 10.30 | 8.199 | 26.62 | 19.30 | 2.095 | 0.000753 | 66.52 |
| R245fa | 10.51 | 6.29 | 27.8 | 19.25 | 1.553 | 0.009836 | 65.42 |
| R123 | 10.38 | 5.634 | 28.63 | 19.06 | 1.429 | 0.02436 | 65.16 |

4.2 System-2 :Vapour compressor refrigeration system with Multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, multiple expansion valves and flash intercoolers

Table-2(a): Validation of Results of VCRS for 100% compressor efficiency using following loads $Q_{EVA_1}=105\text{''kW''}$ $Q_{EVA_2}=70\text{''kW''}$ $Q_{EVA_3}=35\text{''kW''}$

| Parameter | Program | Ref [13] |
|-----------------|---------|----------|
| COP | 6.193 | 5.56 |
| Total Work (KW) | 33.91 | 38.4 |

The performance of actual systems were carried out and shown in Table-2(b) & table-2(c) respectively. It was observed that system-2 gives less thermodynamic performance than system-1 for all refrigerants. Although eco-friendly alternative nine refrigerants can replace R12 for domestic application because R12 has high GWP and ODP. It was observed that R123 gives better thermodynamic performances and also R245fa give similar (slightly less) performance than R123 refrigerant.

Table-2(b) Thermal Performances (First law efficiency and Second law efficiency, etc.) of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263°K, T_{EVA_2}=278°K, T_{EVA_3}=283°K, T_{R_1}=268°K, T_{R_2}=283°K, T_{R_3}=288°K, T_{sub Cooler}=303°K T_{Cond}=313°K

| Refrigerants | COP | EDR | ETA_II | Exergy_Fuel (KW) | Exergy_Product (KW) | Rational efficiency | II Law efficiency |
|--------------|-------|-------|--------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| R12 | 4.913 | 1.925 | 0.3419 | 42.75 | 14.62 | 0.3419 | 0.6538 |
| R134a | 4.864 | 1.954 | 0.3315 | 43.18 | 14.62 | 0.3315 | 0.6473 |
| R1234yf | 4.763 | 2.074 | 0.3395 | 44.09 | 14.62 | 0.3395 | 0.6338 |
| R123456 | 4.877 | 1.946 | 0.3395 | 43.06 | 14.62 | 0.3395 | 0.6491 |
| R-32 | 4.718 | 2.045 | 0.3284 | 44.51 | 14.62 | 0.3284 | 0.6279 |
| R227ea | 4.654 | 2.087 | 0.324 | 45.12 | 14.62 | 0.324 | 0.6194 |
| R236fa | 4.852 | 1.961 | 0.3377 | 43.28 | 14.62 | 0.3377 | 0.6457 |
| R245fa | 5.028 | 1.857 | 0.350 | 41.77 | 14.62 | 0.350 | 0.6691 |
| R123 | 5.073 | 1.832 | 0.3531 | 41.39 | 14.62 | 0.3531 | 0.6752 |
| R507a | 4.541 | 2.164 | 0.3161 | 46.24 | 14.62 | 0.3161 | 0.6044 |

Table-2.(c) Exergy Destruction of various components based on exergy of fuel of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263°K, T_{EVA_2}=278°K, T_{EVA_3}=283°K, T_{R_1}=268°K, T_{R_2}=283°K, T_{R_3}=288°K,

| Refrigerants | % loss Eva | % loss valve | % loss Condenser | % loss comp | % Loss_ Sub-cooler | % Loss_ (F1+F2) | % Loss_ Total | Rational efficiency |
|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|
| R12 | 8.514 | 9.223 | 26.74 | 19.29 | 1.984 | 0.06303 | 65.81 | 0.3419 |
| R134a | 8.261 | 10.15 | 26.19 | 19.35 | 2.144 | 0.0472 | 66.15 | 0.3315 |
| R1234yf | 6.386 | 11.27 | 27.09 | 19.59 | 2.534 | 0.0001 | 66.85 | 0.3395 |
| R1234ze | 7.822 | 10.6 | 25.86 | 19.62 | 2.152 | 0.0001 | 66.05 | 0.3395 |
| R-32 | 8.194 | 9.226 | 28.58 | 18.84 | 2.355 | 0.4131 | 68.39 | 0.3284 |
| R227ea | 7.195 | 13.47 | 24.61 | 19.65 | 2.673 | 0.0001 | 67.6 | 0.324 |
| R236fa | 8.143 | 10.85 | 25.57 | 19.74 | 2.01 | 0.001834 | 66.23 | 0.3377 |
| R245fa | 8.748 | 8.398 | 26.75 | 19.70 | 1.501 | 0.03014 | 65.0 | 0.350 |
| R123 | 8.792 | 7.499 | 27.53 | 19.55 | 1.385 | 0.07858 | 64.69 | 0.3531 |
| R507a | 7.275 | 9.226 | 23.89 | 19.42 | 3.517 | 0.0122 | 68.39 | 0.3161 |

The thermodynamic analysis developed in section 2 have been modified for finding the performances of systems-3.

4.3 System-3 : Vapour compressor refrigeration system with Multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, multiple expansion valves and flash intercoolers

Table-3(a) :Validation of Results of VCRCs for 100% compressor efficiency using following loads

Q_{EVA_1}=105°kW Q_{EVA_2}=70°kW Q_{EVA_3}=35°kW

| Parameter | Program | Ref [13] |
|-----------------|---------|----------|
| COP | 5.7940 | 4.90 |
| Total Work (KW) | 36.25 | 42.64 |

Table-3(b) Thermal Performances (First law efficiency and Second law efficiency, etc.) of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263°K, T_{EVA_2}=278°K, T_{EVA_3}=283°K, T_{R_1}=268°K, T_{R_2}=283°K, T_{R_3}=288°K,

| Refrigerants | COP | EDR | ETA_II | Exergy_Fuel (KW) | Exergy_Product (KW) | Rational efficiency | Second Law efficiency |
|--------------|-------|-------|--------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| R12 | 4.332 | 1.296 | 0.4588 | 48.48 | 22.24 | 0.4445 | 0.5765 |
| R134a | 4.28 | 1.336 | 0.4532 | 49.07 | 22.24 | 0.4382 | 0.5696 |
| R1234yf | 4.177 | 1.405 | 0.4423 | 50.23 | 22.24 | 0.4293 | 0.5559 |
| R-32 | 4.151 | 1.383 | 0.4395 | 50.6 | 22.24 | 0.4289 | 0.5524 |
| R227ea | 4.08 | 1.849 | 0.4321 | 51.47 | 22.24 | 0.4145 | 0.543 |
| R236fa | 4.272 | 1.357 | 0.4524 | 49.15 | 22.24 | 0.4347 | 0.5686 |
| R245fa | 4.44 | 1.244 | 0.4702 | 47.3 | 22.24 | 0.4544 | 0.5908 |
| R123 | 4.485 | 1.207 | 0.475 | 46.2 | 22.24 | 0.4608 | 0.5969 |

Table-3.(c) Exergy Destruction of various components based on exergy of fuel of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263"K", T_{EVA_2}=278"K", T_{EVA_3}=283"K", T_{R_1}= 268 "K", T_{R_2}=283"K", T_{R_3}=288"K",

| Refrigerants | % loss Eva | % loss valve | % loss Condenser | % loss comp | % Loss_ Subcooler | % Loss_ (F1+F2) | % Loss_ Total |
|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| R12 | 5.297 | 8.778 | 25.89 | 19.37 | 1.876 | 0.08344 | 57.54 |
| R134a | 5.843 | 9.616 | 25.61 | 19.41 | 2.039 | 0.06972 | 56.17 |
| R1234yf | 5.076 | 10.54 | 26.92 | 19.62 | 2.438 | 0.00255 | 57.03 |
| R-32 | 4.741 | 9.463 | 27.61 | 18.84 | 2.223 | 0.4131 | 57.01 |
| R227ea | 7.302 | 12.52 | 24.85 | 19.65 | 2.596 | 0.0001 | 58.55 |
| R236fa | 6.626 | 9.795 | 25.27 | 19.69 | 1.926 | 0.001834 | 56.53 |
| R245fa | 5.455 | 7.434 | 25.91 | 19.61 | 1.419 | 0.03014 | 54.56 |
| R123 | 4.65 | 6.687 | 26.42 | 19.51 | 1.302 | 0.07858 | 53.91 |

The thermodynamic analysis developed in section 3 have been modified for finding the performances of systems-4.

4.4 System-4 : Vapour compressor refrigeration system with Multiple evaporators at different temperatures with compound compression, multiple expansion valves and flash intercoolers

Table-4(a) :Validation of Results of VCRES for 100% compressor efficiency using following loads

Q_{EVA_1}=105"kW" Q_{EVA_2}=70"kW" Q_{EVA_3}=35"kW"

| Parameter | Program | Ref ^[13] |
|-----------------|---------|---------------------|
| COP | 5.797 | 5.56 |
| Total Work (KW) | 36.25 | 38.4 |

Table-4(b) Thermal Performances (First law efficiency and Second law efficiency, etc.) of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263"K", T_{EVA_2}=278"K", T_{EVA_3}=283"K", T_{R_1}=268"K", T_{R_2}=283"K", T_{R_3}=288"K",

| Refrigerants | COP | EDR | % ETA_II | Exergy_Fuel (KW) | Exergy_Product (KW) | Rational efficiency | Second Law efficiency |
|--------------|-------|-------|----------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| R12 | 4.589 | 1.143 | 0.4860 | 45.76 | 22.24 | 0.4445 | 0.6107 |
| R134a | 4.576 | 1.159 | 0.4846 | 45.89 | 22.24 | 0.4382 | 0.6089 |
| R1234yf | 4.537 | 1.188 | 0.4805 | 46.29 | 22.24 | 0.4293 | 0.6038 |
| R-32 | 4.396 | 1.227 | 0.4656 | 47.77 | 22.24 | 0.4289 | 0.5851 |
| R227ea | 4.492 | 1.231 | 0.4757 | 46.75 | 22.24 | 0.4145 | 0.5978 |
| R236fa | 4.616 | 1.159 | 0.4877 | 45.60 | 22.24 | 0.4347 | 0.6129 |
| R245fa | 4.70 | 1.096 | 0.4977 | 44.68 | 22.24 | 0.4544 | 0.6255 |
| R123 | 4.709 | 1.081 | 0.4986 | 44.6 | 22.24 | 0.4608 | 0.6266 |

Table-4.(c) Exergy Destruction of various components based on exergy of fuel of vapour compression refrigeration system using alternative refrigerants (for Compressor efficiency₁= Compressor efficiency₂= Compressor efficiency₃=0.80) T_{EVA_1}=263"K", T_{EVA_2}=278"K", T_{EVA_3}=283"K", T_{R_1}= 268 "K", T_{R_2}=283"K", T_{R_3}=288"K",

| Refrigerants | % loss Eva | % loss valve | % loss Condenser | % loss comp | % Loss_ Subcooler | % Loss_ (F1+F2) | % Loss_ Total |
|--------------|------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| R12 | 4.146 | 4.748 | 25.27 | 19.41 | 1.876 | 0.08344 | 55.55 |
| R134a | 4.599 | 5.092 | 24.91 | 19.46 | 2.039 | 0.06972 | 56.19 |
| R1234yf | 3.686 | 5.247 | 26.03 | 19.68 | 2.438 | 0.00255 | 57.07 |
| R-32 | 3.66 | 5.193 | 26.97 | 18.84 | 2.223 | 0.4131 | 57.11 |
| R227ea | 5.872 | 6.463 | 23.90 | 19.72 | 2.596 | 0.0001 | 58.55 |
| R236fa | 5.294 | 3.837 | 24.5 | 19.74 | 1.926 | 0.001834 | 56.53 |
| R245fa | 4.272 | 5.066 | 25.3 | 19.70 | 1.419 | 0.03014 | 54.56 |
| R123 | 3.574 | 3.535 | 25.87 | 19.55 | 1.302 | 0.07858 | 53.92 |

5. Conclusion

Analysis multiple evaporators at different temperature with compound compression and flash intercooler with individual throttle valves and multiple evaporators at different temperature with compound compression and flash intercooler with multiple throttle valves have been made in terms of energetic efficiency, exergetic efficiency and irreversibility

destruction and from the current study following conclusions were made:

- (i) Energetic and exergetic performance of system-1 is higher than system-2 for selected temperature range of condenser and evaporators for chosen ecofriendly refrigerants.
- (ii) System defect in sytem-1is less as compare with system-2, therefore system-1 is better system than system-2 for

selected ecofriendly refrigerants.

- (iii) R32 shows minimum performance in terms of first law efficiency, second law efficiency and system defect for both systems.
- (iv) Performances of R245fa are slightly lower than R123 however it's higher than R236fa and R134a better with comparison of other selected refrigerants for system-1 and system-2. But R123 containing chline content although has lower GWP and R227ef, R236fa and R245fa are high GWP than R134a and limited to industrial application, therefore R1234yf is recommended for both systems for replacing HFC-134a refrigerant in near future.

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Nomenclature

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| COP | coefficient of performance (non-dimensional) |
| VCR | vapour compression refrigeration |
| CFC | chlorofluorocarbon |
| HCFC | hydrochlorofluorocarbon |
| \dot{Q} | rate of heat transfer (kW) |
| \dot{W} | work rate (kW) |
| T | temperature (K) |
| ΔT_{sc} | degree of subcooling |
| \dot{E}_P | exergy rate of product (kW) |
| TV | throttle valve |
| ϕ | dryness fraction(non-dimensional) |
| EP | evaporator |
| Ψ | specific enthalpy (kJ/kg) |
| \dot{E}_D | rate of exergy destruction (kW) |
| E_x | exergy rate of fluid (kW) |
| \dot{m} | mass flow rate (kg/s) |
| s | specific entropy (kJ/kgK) |
| \dot{E}_F | exergy rate of fuel (kW) |
| η | efficiency (non-dimensional) |
| c | compressor |
| sc | sub-cooler |
| ODP | ozone depletion potential |
| GWP | global warming potential |

Subscript

| | |
|------|---------------------------------|
| e | evaporator |
| comp | compressor |
| o | dead state |
| r | refrigerant, space to be cooled |
| TV | throttle valve |
| sc | subcooler |
| k | kth component |
| cond | condenser |
| ev | expansion valve |
| ex | exergetic |

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