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**JANUARY 2014 SESSION**

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**SUBJECT CODE** : FRB 30203  
**SUBJECT TITLE** : APPLIED THERMODYNAMICS  
**LEVEL** : BACHELOR  
**TIME/DURATION** : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon  
( 3 HOURS )  
**DATE** : 29 MAY 2014

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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1. Please read the instructions given in the question paper **CAREFULLY**.
  2. This question paper is printed on both sides of the paper.
  3. Please write your answers on the answer booklet provided.
  4. Answer should be written in blue or black ink except for sketching, graphic and illustration.
  5. This question paper consists only one section. Answer **ALL** questions.
  6. Answer all questions in English.
  7. This is an opened book examination.
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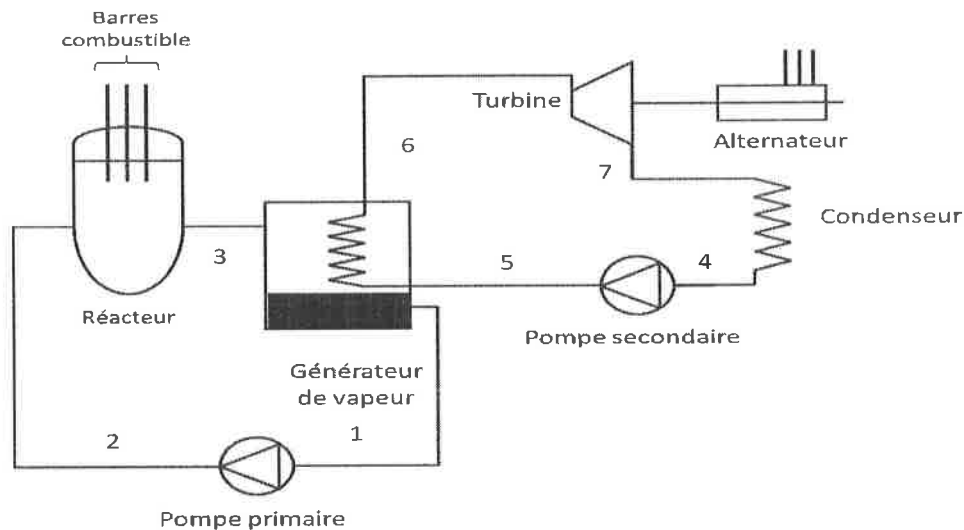
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**INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.**

**Please use the answer booklet provided.**

This exam is divided into two parts: Question 1 to 3 correspond to a steam turbine operating in conditions of temperature and pressure according to the Fessenheim nuclear power plant as shown in Figure 1. Questions 1 to 3 are independent of each other. Question 4 corresponds to combustion.



**Figure 1**

### Question 1

#### Adiabatic compression of liquid water

Temperature of condenser outlet  $T_4$  is  $32.5^\circ\text{C}$ , liquid water is pumped from  $P_4 = 0.05$  bar to  $P_5 = 60$  bar. We assume the pump is adiabatic and reversible.

It is given that:

- The specific volume of liquid water at  $32.5^\circ\text{C}$ :  $v' = 0.001 \text{ m}^3.\text{kg}^{-1}$
- The specific heat of liquid water at  $32.5^\circ\text{C}$  is equal to  $C_p = 4.175 \text{ kJ/kgK}$
- Coefficient of thermal expansion ( $\beta$ ) of liquid water at  $32.5^\circ\text{C}$  is  $\beta = 3.210^{-4}/\text{K}$

Calculate the pump work in  $\text{kJ/kg}$ .

(2 marks)

**Question 2****Nuclear reactor and steam generator (Use Figure 2 - Mollier diagram for water)**

The steam generator (Générateur de vapeur) is heated by the heat from the nuclear reactor. The coolant used is liquid water that enters the pressurized reactor at  $T_2 = 280^\circ\text{C}$  and exits at  $T_3 = 320^\circ\text{C}$  to enter the steam generator at  $T_3 = 320^\circ\text{C}$  and out at  $T_1 = 280^\circ\text{C}$ . Answer these questions:

- (a) Perform the energy balance on the reactor and calculate the mass flow rate ( $\dot{m}_3$ ) of liquid water knowing that the reactor thermal power is  $Q_1 = 2500\text{ MW}$  and the  $C_p$  of liquid water between  $280^\circ\text{C}$  and  $320^\circ\text{C}$  is assumed constant and equal to  $5.25\text{ kJ/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ .  
(2 marks)
- (b) Make the energy balance of the steam generator (assuming negligible heat losses) and calculate the mass flow rate ( $\dot{m}_5$ ) of steam generator assuming that liquid water enters the steam generator at the  $T_4$  and the steam is generated at  $60\text{ bar}$  ( $P_6$ ) and  $300^\circ\text{C}$  ( $T_6$ ).  
(3 marks)

**Question 3****Adiabatic expansion of the superheated steam (Use Figure 2 - Mollier diagram of water)**

- (a) Consider a reheated steam cycle. Initially consider an adiabatic expansion in a turbine between  $60\text{ bar}$  and  $10\text{ bar}$ . The isentropic efficiency of the turbine is equal to  $0.9$ . Calculate the work produced per unit mass in ( $\text{kJ/kg}$ ) and ( $\text{kW}$ ) corresponding to the mass flow rate calculated in the question 2 (for those who have not found the mass flow rate, assume steam mass flow rate to be  $1000\text{ ton / hr}$ ).  
(2 marks)
- (b) On leaving the first turbine, the steam is reheated at constant pressure using heat exchanger (always  $320^\circ\text{C}$ ) from another reactor to bring it again to  $300^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the input heat in ( $\text{kJ/kg}$ ) and ( $\text{kW}$ ) for the reheating by taking into account the flow rate of steam in question 2 (for those who have not found the mass flow rate, assume steam mass flow rate to be  $1000\text{ ton / hr}$ ).  
(2 marks)
- (c) We then consider a second expansion in another adiabatic turbine between inlet of  $10\text{ bar}$  and outlet of  $0.05\text{ bar}$  of the steam initially at  $300^\circ\text{C}$ . The isentropic efficiency of this 2<sup>nd</sup> turbine is again equal to  $0.9$ . Calculate the new output power in ( $\text{kJ/kg}$ ) and ( $\text{kW}$ )

corresponding to the mass flow rate calculated question 2 (for those who have not found the mass flow rate, assume steam mass flow rate to be 1000 ton / hr).

(2 marks)

(d) Calculate the total turbine power output produced and calculate the efficiency of this cycle. Calculate the Carnot efficiency of this cycle.

(4 marks)

#### Question 4

We wish to charge a mixture of CO<sub>2</sub>/Propane (R-744/R-290) in an installation maintained at  $\theta_1=15^\circ\text{C}$  starting from a bottle, at  $\theta_2=24^\circ\text{C}$ .

The charging bottle is thus at  $\theta_2=24^\circ\text{C}$  and a pressure  $HP=40$  bar, it is provided with a plunger tube making it possible to ensure the transfer in liquid phase towards the installation. The transfer is carried out until the pressure in the installation reaches  $BP=25$  bar, this installation being maintained at  $\theta_1=15^\circ\text{C}$ . Answer these questions.

(a) To locate on Figure 3 (to return the figure with the answer sheet) zones of pure liquid and pure vapour as well as the curves of dew and bubble of each spindle.

(1 mark)

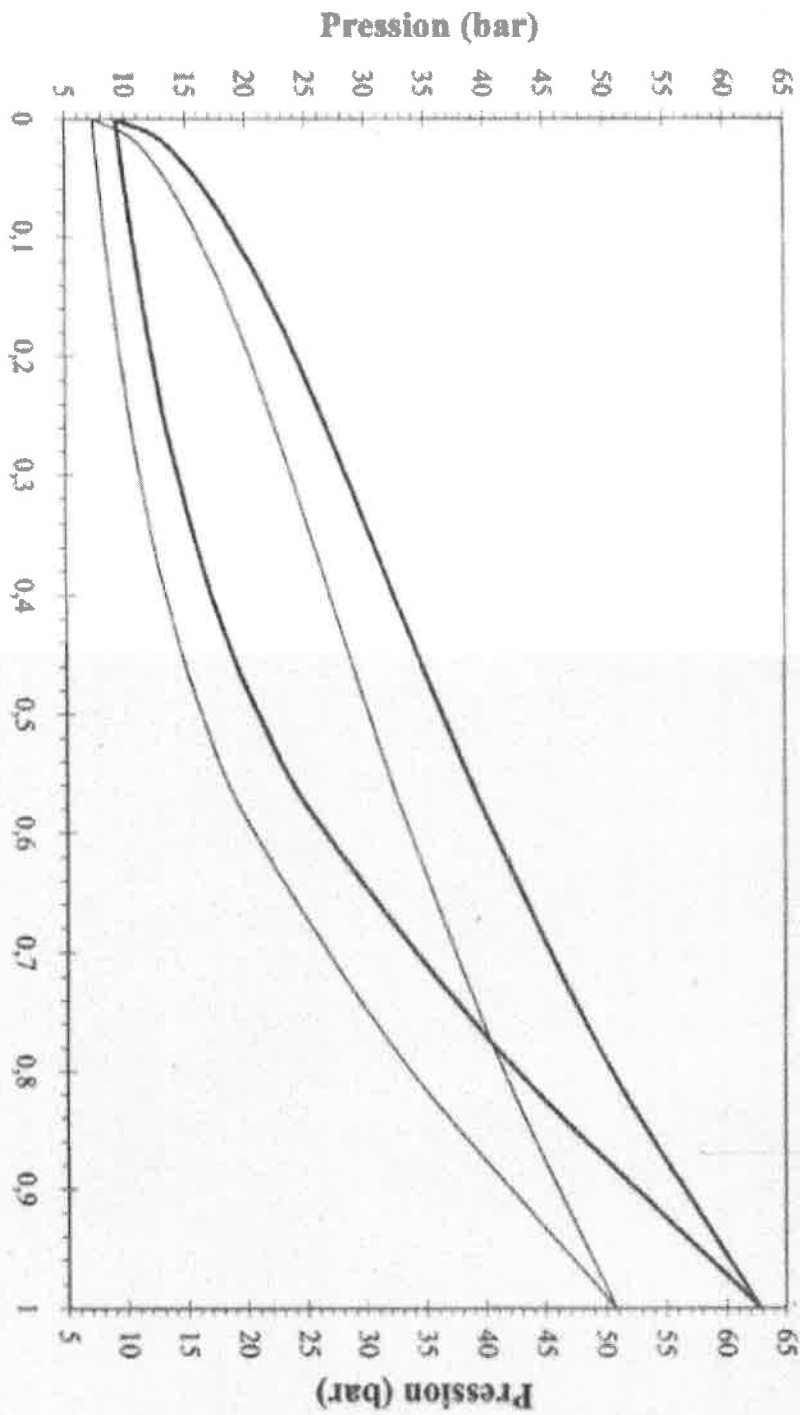
(b) To calculate the concentrations in liquid phase and vapour phase in the bottle of supply ( $HP=40$  bar and  $\theta_2=24^\circ\text{C}$ ).

(2 marks)

(c) To calculate the concentrations in liquid phase and vapour phase in the installation ( $BP=25$  bar and  $\theta_1=15^\circ\text{C}$ ).

(2 marks)

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**Figure 3 :** Diagramme d'équilibre des phases du couple CO<sub>2</sub>/Propane (R-744/R-290)

END OF QUESTIONS

# APPENDIX

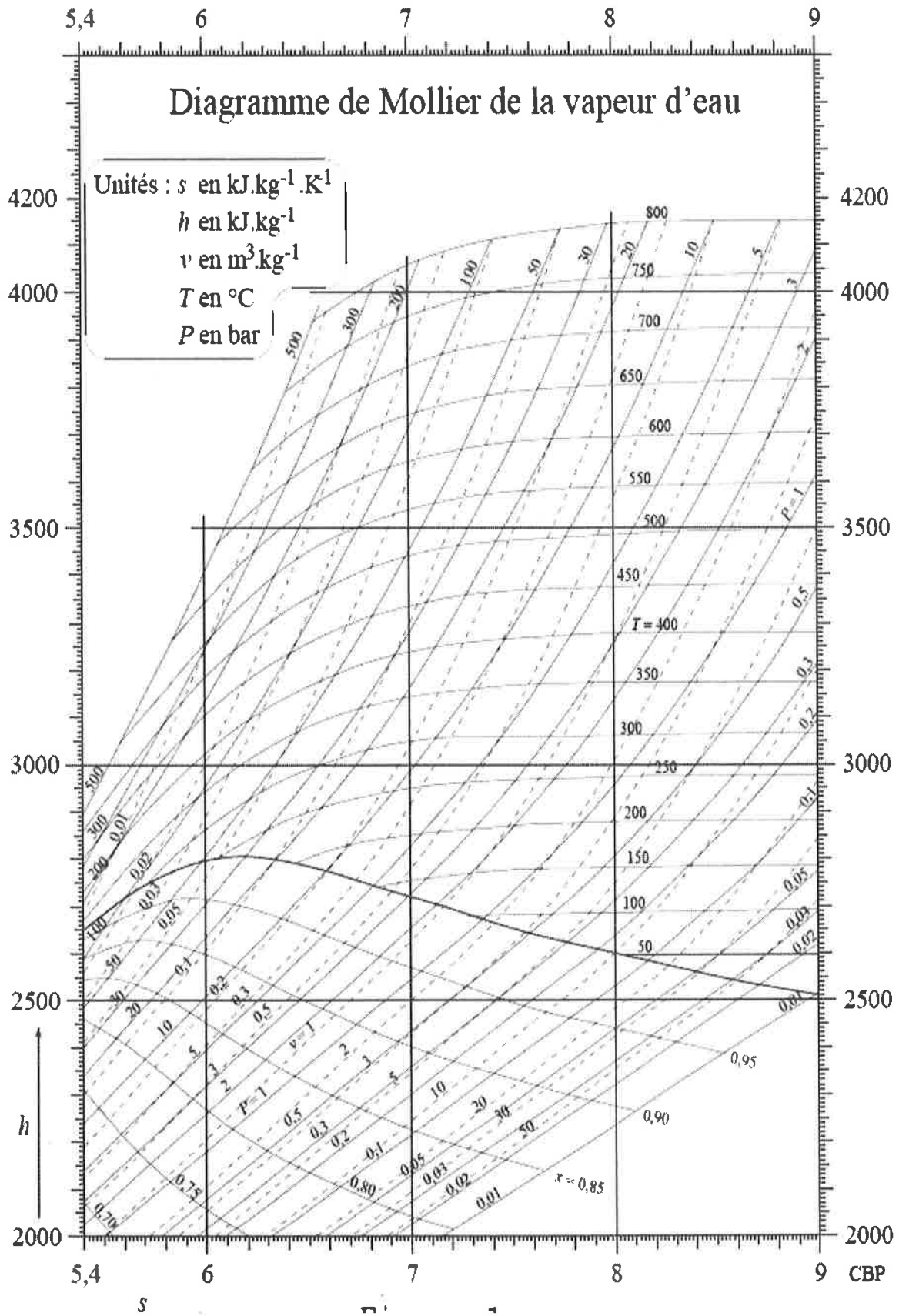


Figure 2