

46.42 A refrigeration system using R-22 operates between $80^\circ F$ condensing and $0^\circ F$ evaporation. The refrigerant exits the evaporator as a dry, saturated vapor. What is the specific work done by the compressor assuming isentropic compression?

- A. $9 \frac{Btu}{lb}$
- B. $11 \frac{Btu}{lb}$
- C. $15 \frac{Btu}{lb}$
- D. $18 \frac{Btu}{lb}$

Draw the refrigeration cycle on the Pressure-Enthalpy diagram for Refrigerant 22, labelling all 4 States. The compression process is from State 1 to State 2. The specific work done by the compressor is the difference between the enthalpy at State 2 and the enthalpy at State 1. Specific work is distinct from 'Work' in that its units are $\frac{Btu}{lb}$ (as opposed to $\frac{Btu}{hr}$) and it does not require the mass flow rate.

$$Work = \dot{W}_{comp} = \dot{m}\Delta h = \dot{m}(h_2 - h_1)$$

$$Specific\ Work = w = h_2 - h_1$$

Start by analyzing State 1 which is a dry, saturated vapor with a known Temperature. Use the **Refrigerant 22** table to obtain the enthalpy at State 1.

$$T_1 = 0^\circ F$$

$$h_1 = h_f = 104.6 \frac{Btu}{lb}$$

Use the **Pressure Versus Enthalpy Curves for Refrigerant 22** to locate State 1. Since the compression process is isentropic, draw a line of constant entropy up and to the right.

The condensing temperature is $80^\circ F$, which is implied to refer to the segment of the condensing process line which lies inside the vapor dome. The condensing process is constant *pressure* throughout the entire process, however it is only constant *temperature* inside the vapor dome. Extend a horizontal line to the right from the $80^\circ F$ line.

Graphically locate State 2 as the intersection of the extended $80^\circ F$ line and the constant entropy line previously drawn from State 1. Read the enthalpy at State 2 along the top horizontal axis. Some uncertainty and imprecision is to be expected due to graphical nature of this approach.

$$h_2 \approx 120 \frac{Btu}{lb}$$

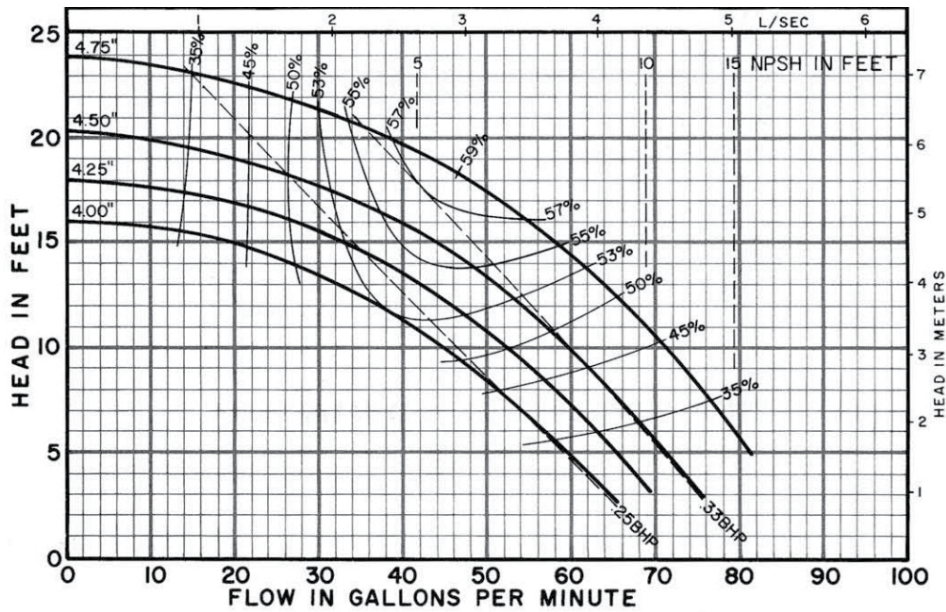
Calculate the specific work.

$$w = 120 \frac{Btu}{lb} - 104.6 \frac{Btu}{lb} = 15.4$$

Answer C

46.43 The operating pressure in a hydronic system is 15ft of head and the required flow is 120gpm. The system has been designed with 3 pumps operating in parallel. Referring to the pump curves below, what is the minimum impeller size sufficient for the system?

- A. 4.00in
- B. 4.25in
- C. 4.50in
- D. 4.75in



Refer to **Pump Performance Curves**.

Since the 3 pumps are in parallel, the head added is the same across each pump.

$$\Delta h = 15ft$$

The volume flow rate will be split equally across all 3 pumps.

$$Q = \frac{120gpm}{3} = 40gpm$$

Find the operating point on the chart for 40gpm, 15ft and choose the next size up, which is the 4.5in impeller.

Answer C