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We would like to thank you for the opportunity provided to contribute our work to such a prestigious journal. Additionally, we would like to inform you that in this document, we provide answers to some of the questions and doubts raised by the evaluators of our work.

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POINT (1)

Equations considered to be erroneous in Table 3:

1-CH1 cond fuel and product exergy should be adjusted as follows:

EF = E39-E40

EP = E34-E33

2-CH1 evap fuel and product exergy should be adjusted as follows:

EF = E31-E42

EP = E26-E25

3-CH2 cond fuel and product exergy must be corrected as follows:

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4-CH2 evap fuel and product exergy should be corrected as follows:

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5-It is also thought that the fuel and product exergy in the combustion chamber are spelled incorrectly. E9 should also be written in fuel exergy.

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We greatly appreciate your suggestions and efforts to improve the quality of the work, for us it was a great help. Next find the answer to the first point consulted:

The errors on the equations in Table 3 were caused by an error in the name of the equipment: the condensers and evaporators of chillers 1 and 2, which were inverted in figure 1.

The correction has been made on figure 1 (please check figure 1 in the manuscript) and all the definitions of fuel and product of the equipment have been revised in table 3, and later in table 5.

Resulting in

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5)- The respective correction was made. Obtaining the following:

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Equations considered to be erroneous in Table 5:

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2-CH2 cond, CH2 Evap

written cost equations for. I mentioned this fix in my previous review. The places of these equations in the table are confused. Hopefully the authors will make the necessary corrections. If they think the evaluation is wrong, the necessary explanation should be given.

Authors Response to POINT (2)

Revised the equations in table 3 and in table 5, the equations considered errors were corrected and they are as follows:

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CH2 Evapc<sub>38</sub> E<sub>38-c</sub> E<sub>37</sub> E<sub>37= [ c ]</sub> E<sub>40</sub> E<sub>40-c</sub> E<sub>41</sub> E<sub>41+Z</sub> EvapCh2

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## Nomenclature

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| $\dot{C}$            | Total cost (USD/s)                        | <i>Superscript</i>   |  |
| $c$                  | Specific cost per unit of exergy (USD/kJ) | <i>AV</i>            | Avoidable  |
| $C_p$                | Specific heat (kJ/kg°C)                   | <i>CH</i>            | Chemistry  |
| $\dot{E}$            | Exergy board (kJ/s)                       | <i>CI</i>            | Investment capital   |
| $e$                  | Exergía specific (kJ/kg)                  | <i>EN</i>            | Endogenous   |
| $h$                  | Specific Enthalpy (kJ/kg)                 | <i>EX</i>            | Exogenous  |
| $\dot{m}$            | Mass flow (kg/s)                          | <i>PH</i>            | Physics  |
| $P$                  | Pressure (kPa)                            | <i>SU</i>            | Supply   |
| $\dot{Q}$            | Heat transfer (kW)                        | <i>UN</i>            | Unavoidable  |
| $R$                  | Constant of ideal gases (kJ/mol-K)        | <i>Abbreviations</i> |  |
| $R_p$                | Pressure Ratio                            | <i>C</i>             | Compressor   |
| $T$                  | Temperature (°C)                          | <i>CC</i>            | Combustion chamber   |
| $\dot{W}$            | Work (kW)                                 | <i>CDP</i>           | Fraction of steam injected into the pre-combustion chamber |
| $s$                  | Entropy (kJ/kg°C)                         | <i>CH1</i>           | Refrigeration machine 1                                    |
|                      |   | <i>CH2</i>           | Refrigeration machine 2                                    |
| $\dot{Z}$            | Investment cost (USD/s)                   | <i>CP</i>            | Pump water to condensers                                   |
| <i>Greek Letters</i> |   | <i>CT</i>            | Cooling tower  |
| $\alpha$             | Stoichiometric air                        | <i>AC</i>            | Air Cooler   |
| $\varepsilon$        | Exergy Efficiency                         | <i>Cond</i>          | Condenser  |
| $\eta$               | Energy Efficiency                         | <i>EP</i>            | Pump water to evaporators                                  |
| $\lambda$            | Excess air                                | <i>EV</i>            | Expansion valve  |
| $\varphi$            | Operation and maintenance factor          | <i>Evap</i>          | Evaporator   |
| $\omega$             | Humidity                                  | <i>FAR</i>           | Fuel air ratio   |
| <i>Sub-index</i>     |   | <i>FWP</i>           | Feed water pump  |
| $0$                  | Reference state conditions                | <i>GT</i>            | Gas turbine  |
| $D$                  | Destruction                               | <i>HPC</i>           | High-pressure compressor                                   |
| $f$                  | Fuel                                      | <i>HRSB</i>          | Heat recovery boiler                                       |
| $i$                  | input                                     | <i>IAC</i>           | Air cooling at the compressor inlet                        |
| $k$                  | $k$ -th component                         | <i>K</i>             | Specific heat ratio  |
| $o$                  | output                                    | <i>LPC</i>           | Low-pressure compressor                                    |
| $P$                  | Product                                   | <i>MWP</i>           | Make-up water pump   |
| $s$                  | isentropic                                | <i>RH</i>            | Relative humidity  |
|                      |   | <i>PEC</i>           | Equipment purchase price                                   |
|                      |   | <i>SAR</i>           | Air steam ratio  |
|                      |   | <i>TIT</i>           | Turbine inlet temperature                                  |

## 1. Introduction

Design of gas turbines is based on the recommendations and parameters given by the International Standards Organization -ISO- which specifies as environmental design conditions 15 °C, 60% relative humidity, and pressure at sea level. Therefore, if environmental conditions of the installation site differ from ISO, the output electrical power, thermal efficiency, and cost of the kilowatt/hour generated in the gas turbine plants are affected [1]. For each degree Celsius that the ambient temperature increases above ISO conditions, gas turbine plants lose in output power and efficiency 1.47 MW and 0.1% respectively [2]. There are technologies to compensate the decrease in output power and thermal efficiency in power plants with gas turbines that operate at conditions above ISO, some of these technologies are air cooling at the compressor inlet, steam injection and combined cycles.

Air cooling technologies have been studied in different investigations, some of these are: Comodi et al. [3] evaluated the effects of air cooling at the inlet on a test bench of a 100 kW micro gas turbine. The air cooling technology selected was the electric chiller. Electric power and thermal efficiency gain depends on ambient conditions and it reached up to 8.5 and 1.6 %, respectively, concerning the nominal conditions of the micro gas turbine. Mohapatra et al. [4] focused on comparing the impact of two air cooling methods (steam compression and absorption) on a single gas turbine plant and combined cycle. It was observed that, the system performance with vapor compression inlet air cooling was superior to vapor absorption inlet cooling. The optimum compressor inlet temperature for both scheme was found to be 20°C. Baakeem et al. [5] simulated three air cooling technologies (mechanical steam compression, evaporative cooling, and absorption cooling) in an 85 MW gas turbine under Riyadh desert



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37 was 49.31%. In recent times, integrating air cooling at the compressor inlet (IAC) and steam  
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## 54 **2. Methodology**

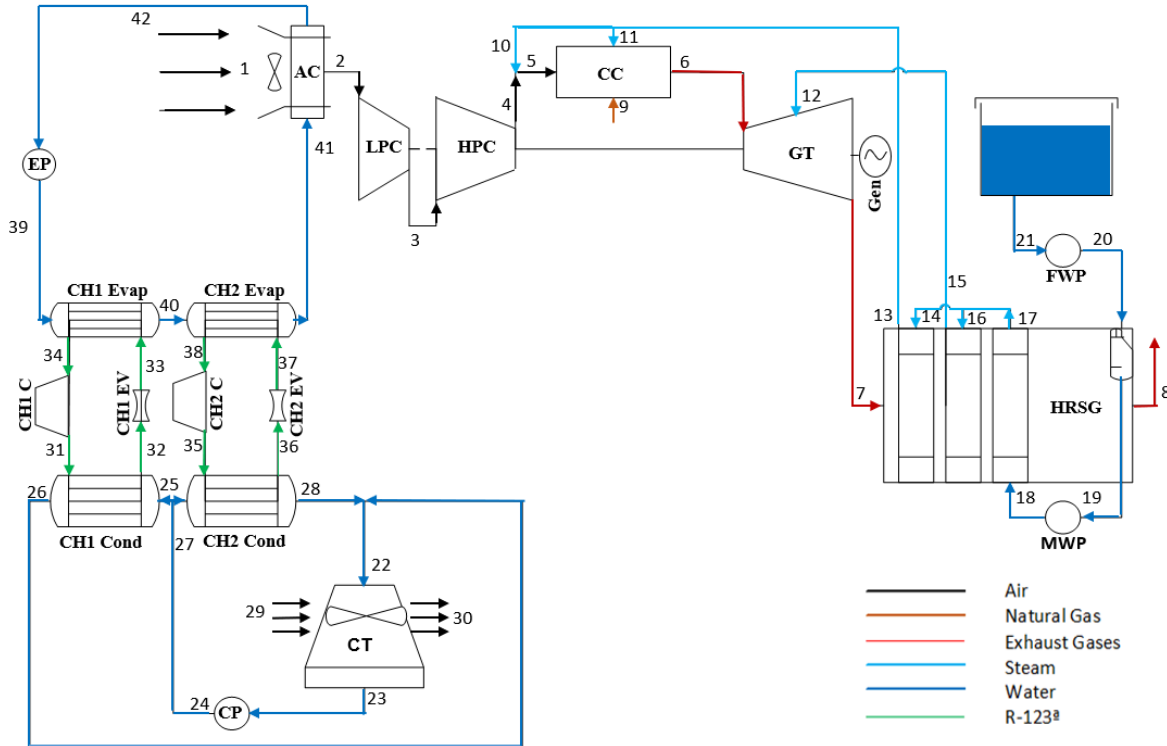
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The components of the power system with Stig cycle and air cooling (Figure 1), consists of a General Electric LM5000 gas turbogenerator, a recovery boiler (HRSG), and the air cooling system, which are arranged so that the evaporators are in series and the condensers in parallel, this arrangement allows the air cooling temperature to reach 8.8°C, operating condition of the study plant (Figure 1). Atmospheric conditions of the geographic location of the generation plant are, on average, 32 °C of temperature and 80% relative humidity [19]. Some characteristics of the generation plant are show in Table 1.

*Table 1 Characteristics of the generation plant*

| <b>Item</b>   | <b>Value</b>  | <b>Reference</b> |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| The mechanical efficiency (%)                             | 98.5          | [11]             |
| Pressure drops (CC, HRSG) (%)                             | 5             | [20]             |
| Overall Steam injection (kg/s)                            | 10.306        | [21]             |
| Ratio steam injection in pre-combustion chamber (%)       | 37.2          | [21]             |
| Ratio steam injection control generation NOx (%)          | 20.3          | [21]             |
| Ratio steam injection control the turbine temperature (%) | 42.5          | [21]             |
| Chemical composition of natural gas [21].                 |               |                  |
| <b>Compound</b>   | <b>% Vol.</b> |                  |
| <b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>                                     | 97.9458       |                  |
| <b>N<sub>2</sub></b>                                      | 1.4832        |                  |
| <b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>                                     | 0.2062        |                  |
| <b>C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub></b>                         | 0.0541        |                  |
| <b>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub></b>                        | 0.0302        |                  |
| <b>C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>12</sub></b>                        | 0.0094        |                  |
| <b>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>14</sub></b>                        | 0.0189        |                  |



AC: Air Cooler, LPC: Low-Pressure Compressor, HPC: High-Pressure Compressor, CC: Combustion Chamber, GT: Gas Turbine, Gen: Generator, HRSG: Heat Recovery Steam Generator, CT: Cooling Tower, CP: Condenser pump, FWP: Feed Water Pump, MWP: Make up Water Pump, CH1 C: Chiller1 Compressor, CH1Cond: Chiller1 Condenser, CH1 EV: Chiller1 Expansion Valve, CH1 Evap: Chiller 1 Evaporator, CH2 C: Chiller2 Compressor, CH2 Cond: Chiller2 Condenser, CH2 EV: Chiller2 Expansion Valve, CH2 Evap: Chiller 2 Evaporator

Figure 1 Diagram of the power plant with a gas turbine and steam injection with air cooling by compression cooling system

The flowchart of the algorithm for calculating an advanced exergoeconomic of the system with steam injection is showed in Figure 2. In this algorithm, sequence of the studies elaborated in the present work is presented, it is essential to point out that for each of these analyses parameters determined from the different balances of the system and its components are used.

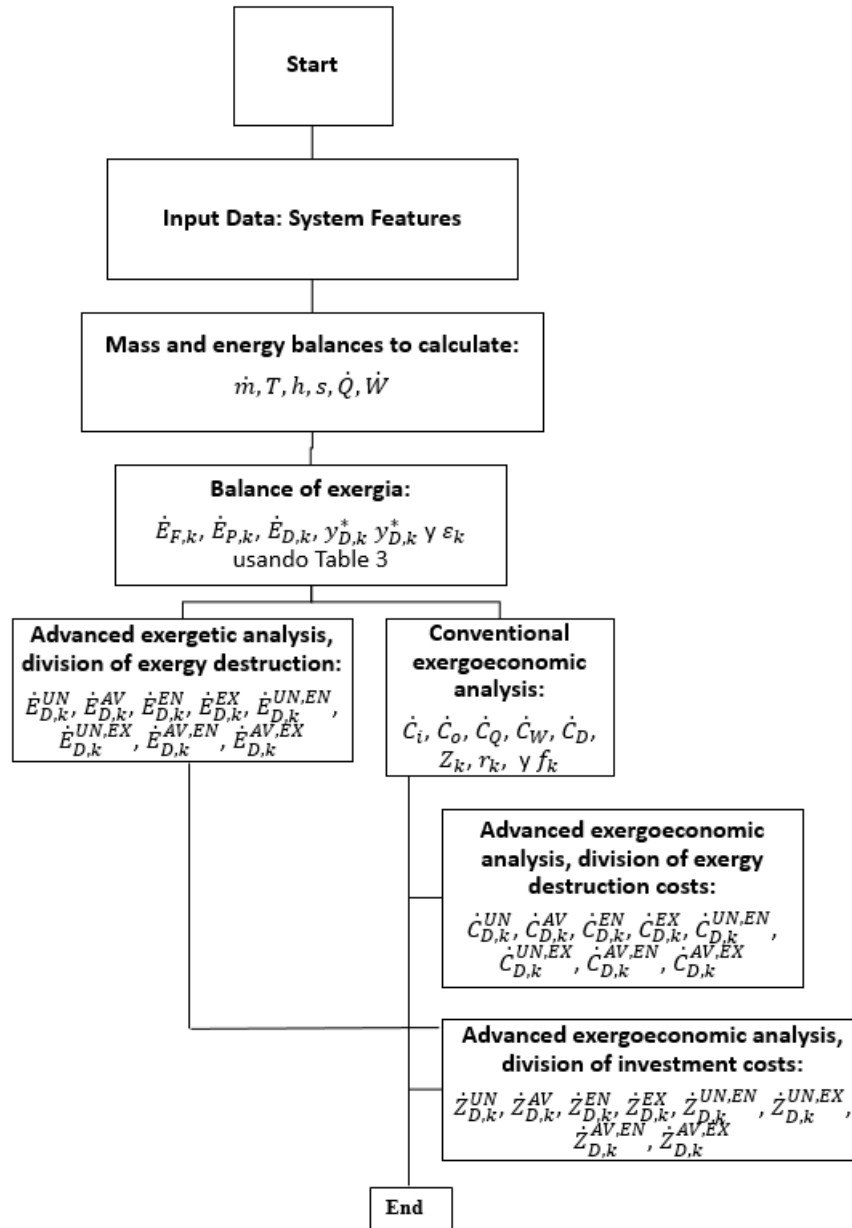


Figure 2 Calculation algorithm of an advanced exergoeconomic analysis for a gas power cycle with the stig cycle and air cooling.

## 2.2. Mass balance, energy, and thermodynamic model

Equations of the mass (Equation 1) and energy (Equation 2) balances, shown below, are applied, assuming that the components of the analyzed system are in a stable state. Next, the thermodynamic model is developed that allows the evaluation of each of the elements that make up the power system with the Stig cycle and air cooling under study [22].

Mass balance

$$\sum \dot{m}_{i,k} = \sum \dot{m}_{o,k} \quad (Kg/s) \quad 1$$

Energy balance

$$\dot{Q}_k - \dot{W}_k + \sum \dot{m}_{i,k} h_{i,k} - \sum \dot{m}_{o,k} h_{o,k} = 0 \quad (KW) \quad 2$$

Exergy balance

$$\dot{E}_{Q,k} - \dot{E}_{W,k} + \sum \dot{E}_{i,k} - \sum \dot{E}_{o,k} - \dot{E}_{D,k} = 0 \quad (KW) \quad 3$$

The air outlet temperature of the compression units can be obtained as follows [23]:

$$T_o = \frac{T_i}{n_c} \left[ RP_C^{\frac{k_C-1}{k_C}} - 1 \right] + T_i \quad (^\circ C) \quad 4$$

Air leaving the HPC is mixed with a fraction of steam injected into the pre-combustion chamber. The properties of air at the CC inlet are obtained from the mass balance of dry air and water vapor, and the energy balance of the humidification process in equations 5, 6, and 7, respectively, assuming there is no change in temperature and pressure in the air stream.

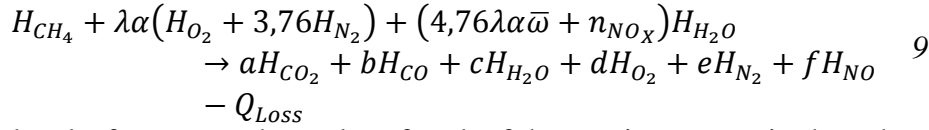
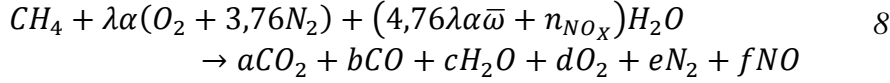
$$\dot{m}_{o,Air} = \dot{m}_{i,Air} \quad (Kg/s) \quad 5$$

$$\dot{m}_{o,Air} \omega_o = \dot{m}_{i,Air} \omega_i + \dot{m}_{steam}(CDP) \quad (Kg/s) \quad 6$$

$$\dot{m}_{o,Air} h_{o,Air} = \dot{m}_{i,Air} h_{i,Air} + \dot{m}_{steam}(CDP) h_{steam} \quad (kW) \quad 7$$

The combustion process follows the analysis of reactive systems based on the first law for stationary flows, applying Equation 8 and Equation 9 on a molar basis to obtain the exit temperature of the combustion gases. This model foresees an energy loss in the combustion of 2% of the energy supplied by the reagents (Q\_Loss=2% HR), as suggested by Tsatsaronis in [24]. To obtain the composition of the exhaust gases, we use the moles balance of the elements present in the combustion C, H, O, N, (Equations 12 to 15) and two complementary equations of simultaneous reaction of chemical equilibrium for the formation of CO and NO (Equations 16 and 17) are used [22].





a,b,c,d,e,f represent the moles of each of the species present in the exhaust gases. Equations

16 and 17 represent the chemical equilibrium equations for the dissociation of  $CO_2 \rightarrow CO +$

$\frac{1}{2}O_2$  y  $\frac{1}{2}N_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \rightarrow NO$  respectively.

$$\bar{\omega} = 1.608\omega \left( \frac{Mol_{H_2O}}{Mol_{Air}} \right) \quad 10$$

$$n_{NO_x} = \frac{\dot{m}_{NO_x} MW_{CH_4}}{\dot{m}_{CH_4} MW_{H_2O}} \left( \frac{Mol_{H_2O}}{Mol_{CH_4}} \right) \quad 11$$

$$\text{Balance of C} \quad 1 \rightarrow a + b \quad 12$$

$$\text{Balance of H} \quad 4 + 2(4,76\lambda\alpha\bar{\omega} + n_{NO_x}) \rightarrow 2c \quad 13$$

$$\text{Balance of O} \quad 2\lambda\alpha + (4,76\lambda\alpha\bar{\omega} + n_{NO_x}) \rightarrow 2a + b + c + 2d + f \quad 14$$

$$\text{Balance of N} \quad 2\lambda\alpha(3,76) \rightarrow 2e + f \quad 15$$

$$K_{PCO_2} = \frac{b^{V_{CO}} d^{V_{O_2}}}{a^{CO_2}} \quad 16$$

$$K_{PNO} = \frac{f^{V_{NO}}}{e^{V_{N_2}} d^{V_{O_2}}} \quad 17$$

Chemical equilibrium constants for the ideal gas mixture, for each of the simultaneous formation equations, is calculated as [22]:

$$\ln(K_{PCO}) = \frac{-\Delta G_{iss}^*_{CO}(T_{Prod})}{R_u T_{Prod}} \quad 18$$

$$\ln(K_{PNO}) = \frac{-\Delta G_{iss}^*_{NO}(T_{Prod})}{R_u T_{Prod}} \quad 19$$

Mass balance in the CC is presented below based on a fuel mass flow, the fuel air ratio (FAR) and steam air ratio [25].

$$FAR = \frac{\dot{m}_{fuel}}{\dot{m}_{dry\ air}} = \frac{M_{fuel}}{4.76 \propto \lambda M_{Air}} \quad 20$$

$$SAR = \frac{\dot{m}_{Steam}}{\dot{m}_{dry\ air}} \quad 21$$

$$\dot{m}_{gases} = \dot{m}_{dry\ air} (1 + \omega + FAR + SAR(CDP + NO_x)) \quad (kg/s) \quad 22$$

To know the exhaust gas outlet temperature of the TG is evaluated as [23]:

$$T_o = T_i - n_{GT} T_i \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1}{RP_{GT}} \right)^{\frac{K_{GT}-1}{K_{GT}}} \right) \right] \quad (^\circ C) \quad 23$$

In the HRSG, high-quality steam is produced at the necessary outlet conditions for high pressure and low pressure flows from the efficiency of the first-grade heat recovery boiler, obtaining the exhaust gas outlet temperature for the requirements of steam generation (Equation 24) [12].

$$\dot{m}_{gases} C_P (T_i - T_o) = \dot{m}_{19} h_{19} - \dot{m}_{20} h_{20} + \dot{m}_{17} h_{17} - \dot{m}_{18} h_{18} + \dot{m}_{15} h_{15} - \dot{m}_{16} h_{16} + \dot{m}_{13} h_{13} - \dot{m}_{14} h_{14} \quad (kW) \quad 24$$

MWP and MWP water pumps for the steam injection system, and P\_Evap, P\_Cond for the air cooling system are modeled from their pressure ratios and the isentropic efficiency of the pumps to obtain the output conditions, as shown in equation 25 [26].

$$\eta = \frac{h_{o,s} - h_i}{h_o - h_i} \times 100 \quad (\%) \quad 25$$

Cooling tower is modeled to obtain the amount of air needed to reduce the water temperature between the required limits, for which the mass and energy balances of air and water are used, as shown in equations 26, 27, and 28 [22].

$$\dot{m}_{29} h_{29} - \dot{m}_{30} h_{30} + \dot{m}_{22} h_{22} - \dot{m}_{23} h_{23} = 0 \quad (kW) \quad 26$$

$$\dot{m}_{30} = \dot{m}_{29} \quad (kg/s) \quad Air\ mass\ balance \quad 27$$

$$\dot{m}_{29} (\omega_{30} - \omega_{29}) = \dot{m}_{23} - \dot{m}_{22} \quad (kg/s) \quad Water\ mass\ balance \quad 28$$

For the compression refrigeration machines, which work between the operating pressure limits of the condenser and evaporator is assumed (Equations 29, 30, 31 and 32):

- Isentropic efficiency of the compressor [27] [28].
- Refrigerant in the output of the condenser as saturated liquid [27] [28].
- Iso-enthalpy process in the throttle valve [27] [29].
- Refrigerant as saturated steam in the output of the evaporator [27] [29].
- No heat loss between water and refrigerant in the condenser and evaporator [27].

$$\eta = \frac{h_{o,s} - h_i}{h_o - h_i} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 29$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{m}_{i,water} h_{i,water} - \dot{m}_{o,water} h_{o,water} \\ = \dot{m}_{o,Ref} h_{o,Ref} - \dot{m}_{i,Ref} h_{i,Ref} \text{ (kW)} \end{aligned} \quad 30$$

$$h_o = h_i \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad 31$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{m}_{i,water} h_{i,water} - \dot{m}_{o,water} h_{o,water} \\ = \dot{m}_{o,Ref} h_{o,Ref} - \dot{m}_{i,Ref} h_{i,Ref} \text{ (kW)} \end{aligned} \quad 32$$

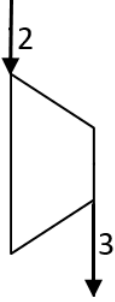
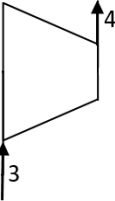
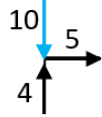
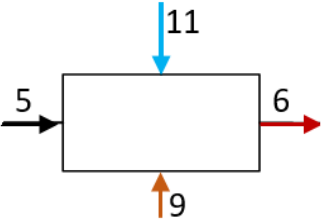
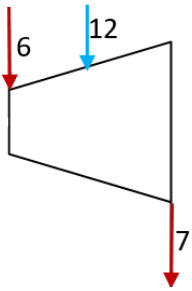

AC was modeled using heat transfer efficiency between air and water from equation 33 [30]. For the conditions of inlet and outlet constant air and water of the model, is obtained the water flow necessary to obtain the desired air outlet temperature.

$$\eta_{CCoil} = \frac{\dot{m}_{i,Air} h_{i,Air} - \dot{m}_{o,Air} h_{o,Air}}{\dot{m}_{o,water} h_{o,water} - \dot{m}_{i,water} h_{i,water}} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 33$$

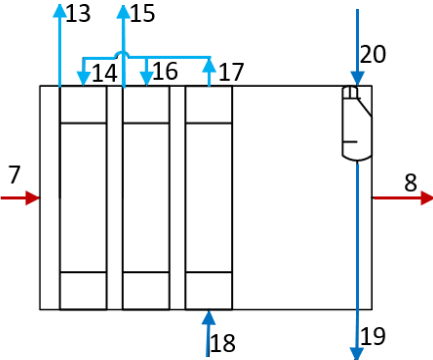


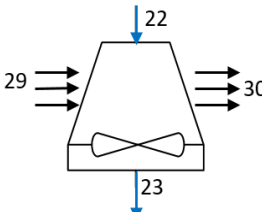


Table 2 shows the energy balances for each of the components of the gas turbine cycle with the Stig cycle and air cooling at the compressor inlet with a compression cooling system.

*Table 2 Energy and mass balances in the gas turbine cycle with steam injection and air cooling.*

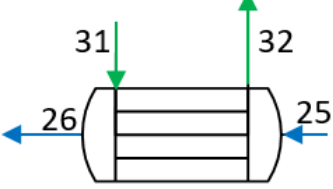

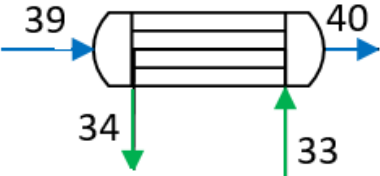

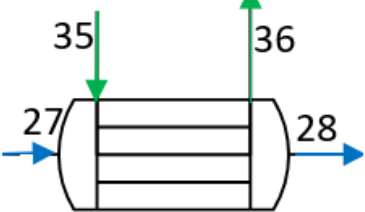
| Component | Mass and energy balance   |
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| LPC       | $\begin{aligned} \dot{W}_{LPC} &= (\dot{m}_3 h_3 - \dot{m}_2 h_2) / \eta_{mec} \\ \dot{m}_3 &= \dot{m}_2 \end{aligned}$ |

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| <p>(HPC)</p>           | $\dot{W}_{HPC} = (\dot{m}_4 h_4 - \dot{m}_3 h_3) / \eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_4 = \dot{m}_3$   |
| <p>Air humidifier</p>  | $\dot{m}_5 h_5 = \dot{m}_4 h_4 + \dot{m}_{10} h_{10}$ $\dot{m}_5 \omega_5 = \dot{m}_4 \omega_4 + \dot{m}_{10} \quad \text{Water mass balance}$ $\dot{m}_5 = \dot{m}_4 \quad \text{Air Mass Balance}$   |
| <p>CC</p>            | $CH_4 + \lambda \alpha (O_2 + 3,76 N_2) + (4,76 \lambda \alpha \bar{\omega} + n_{11}) H_2 O$ $\rightarrow a CO_2 + b CO + c H_2 O + d O_2 + e N_2 + f NO$ $\dot{m}_6 = \dot{m}_5 (1 + \omega_5 + FAR + SAR(NO_X))$ $\dot{m}_{11} = \dot{m}_5 SAR(NO_X)$ $\dot{m}_9 = \dot{m}_5 FAR$ $n_{11} = \frac{\dot{m}_{11} MW_{CH_4}}{\dot{m}_9 MW_{H_2 O}}$ |
| <p>GT</p>            | $\dot{W}_{GT} = (\dot{m}_6 C_{p,7} (T_6 - T_7) + \dot{m}_{12} (h_{12} - h_7))$ $\dot{m}_7 = \dot{m}_6 + \dot{m}_{12}$ $\dot{m}_7 = \dot{m}_5 \left( 1 + \omega_5 + \frac{1}{AFR} + SAR(NO_X + LP) \right)$   |
| <p>Gen</p>           | $\dot{P}_{Elect} = \eta_{Gen} \dot{W}_{net}$   |


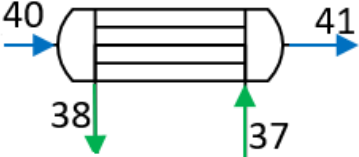
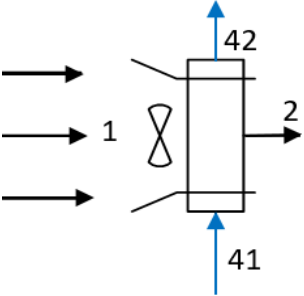
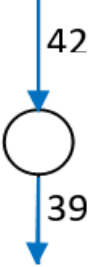
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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>HRSG</b></p>     | $-\dot{Q}_{HRSG,out} + \dot{m}_7 C_{P,7}(T_7 - T_8) + \dot{m}_{20} h_{20} - \dot{m}_{19} h_{19} + \dot{m}_{18} h_{18} - \dot{m}_{17} h_{17} + \dot{m}_{16} h_{16} - \dot{m}_{15} h_{15} + \dot{m}_{14} h_{14} - \dot{m}_{13} h_{13} = 0$ $\dot{m}_8 = \dot{m}_7$ $\dot{m}_{20} = \dot{m}_{19} = \dot{m}_{18} = \dot{m}_{17} = \dot{m}_5 SAR$ $\dot{m}_{12} = \dot{m}_{15} = \dot{m}_{16} = \dot{m}_5 SAR(LP)$<br>$\dot{m}_{13} = \dot{m}_{14} = \dot{m}_{10} + \dot{m}_{11} = \dot{m}_5 SAR(CDP + NO_x)$ |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MWP</b></p>      | $\dot{W}_{MWP} = (\dot{m}_{18} h_{18} - \dot{m}_{19} h_{19}) / \eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{18} = \dot{m}_{19}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FWP</b></p>      | $\dot{W}_{FWP} = (\dot{m}_{20} h_{20} - \dot{m}_{21} h_{21}) / \eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{21} = \dot{m}_{20}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CT</b></p>      | $\dot{m}_{29} h_{29} - \dot{m}_{30} h_{30} + \dot{m}_{22} h_{22} - \dot{m}_{23} h_{23} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{30} = \dot{m}_{29} \text{ Balance de aire}$ $\dot{m}_{29}(\omega_{30} - \omega_{29}) = \dot{m}_{Makeup} \text{ Balance of humidity in the air}$ $\dot{m}_{22} = \dot{m}_{23} + \dot{m}_{Makeup} \text{ Water balance}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CP</b></p>     | $\dot{W}_{Pcond} = (\dot{m}_{24} h_{24} - \dot{m}_{23} h_{23}) / \eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{24} = \dot{m}_{23}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHI C</b></p>  | $\dot{W}_{C,Ch1} = (\dot{m}_{31} h_{31} - \dot{m}_{34} h_{34}) / \eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{31} = \dot{m}_{34}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHI Cond:</b></p>   | $-\dot{Q}_{cond,Ch1} + \dot{m}_{31} h_{31} - \dot{m}_{32} h_{32} + \dot{m}_{25} h_{25} - \dot{m}_{26} h_{26} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{32} = \dot{m}_{31}$ $\dot{m}_{26} = \dot{m}_{25}$  |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH1 EV</b></p>      | $h_{33} = h_{32}$ $\dot{m}_{33} = \dot{m}_{32}$   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH1 Evap</b></p>   | $\dot{Q}_{evap,Ch1} + \dot{m}_{33}h_{33} - \dot{m}_{34}h_{34} + \dot{m}_{39}h_{39} - \dot{m}_{40}h_{40} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{40} = \dot{m}_{29}$ $\dot{m}_{34} = \dot{m}_{33}$  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH2 C</b></p>     | $\dot{W}_{C,Ch2} = (\dot{m}_{35}h_{35} - \dot{m}_{38}h_{38})/\eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{35} = \dot{m}_{38}$  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH2 Cond</b></p>  | $-\dot{Q}_{cond,Ch2} + \dot{m}_{35}h_{35} - \dot{m}_{36}h_{36} + \dot{m}_{27}h_{27} - \dot{m}_{28}h_{28} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{28} = \dot{m}_{27}$ $\dot{m}_{36} = \dot{m}_{35}$ |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH2 EV</b></p>   | $h_{37} = h_{36}$ $\dot{m}_{37} = \dot{m}_{36}$   |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CH2Evap</b></p>  | $\dot{Q}_{evap,Ch2} + \dot{m}_{37}e_{37} - \dot{m}_{38}e_{38} + \dot{m}_{40}h_{40} - \dot{m}_{41}h_{41} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{38} = \dot{m}_{37}$ $\dot{m}_{41} = \dot{m}_{40}$ |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AC</b></p>      | $\dot{Q}_{AC} + \dot{m}_1h_1 - \dot{m}_2h_2 + \dot{m}_{41}h_{41} - \dot{m}_{42}h_{42} = 0$ $\dot{m}_{42} = \dot{m}_{41}$ $\dot{m}_2 = \dot{m}_1$                         |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>EP</b></p>     | $\dot{W}_{Pevap} = (\dot{m}_{39}h_{39} - \dot{m}_{42}h_{42})/\eta_{mec}$ $\dot{m}_{39} = \dot{m}_{42}$   |

It is considered that the Q in the previous equations represents the loss of energy to the surroundings and cannot be recovered. From the equations and energy analysis presented above, the bases and parameters required to initiate the conventional exergetic and exergoeconomic of the analyzed system are established.

### 2.3. Conventional exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis

Exergy is a property that measures the maximum working potential of an amount of energy in a specific state [30]. Exergy is composed of two parts, physical exergy and chemical exergy (Equation 34):

$$e_k = e_k^{PH} + e_k^{CH} \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad 34$$

Physical exergy for a substance is obtained with Equation 35 [30] and 36 [20]:

$$e_k^{PH} = h - h_0 - T_0(s - s_0) \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad 35$$

$$e_k^{PH} = \frac{1}{M_k} \left( \bar{C}_{P,k}(T - T_0) - T_0 \left[ \bar{C}_{P,k} \ln \left( \frac{T}{T_0} \right) - \bar{R} \ln \left( \frac{P}{P_0} \right) \right] \right) \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad 36$$

Where 0 is the reference state, which we assume as the state of least energy  $T_{37} = 3.424^\circ\text{C}$  y  $P_{37} = 38.15 \text{ kPa}$ , as suggested Kotas [31], Yumrutas [32] y D'Acaddia [33] thus ensuring that all temperatures are higher than those of the dead state.

Specific chemical exergy is calculated in equation 37, and  $\bar{e}^{CH}$  is obtained from [31]:

$$e_k^{CH} = \frac{1}{M_k} \left( \bar{x}_i \bar{e}_i^{CH} + \bar{R} T_0 \sum \bar{x}_i \ln(\bar{x}_i) \right) \text{ (kJ/kg)} \quad 37$$

Exergy balance is obtained from Equation 38 [30]:

$$\dot{E}_{D,k} = \dot{E}_{F,k} - \dot{E}_{P,k} \text{ (kW)} \quad 38$$

Exergy efficiency is obtained as (Equation 39) [30]:

$$\varepsilon_k = \frac{\dot{E}_{P,k}}{\dot{E}_{F,k}} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 39$$

Exergy destruction ratios are calculated as (Equations 40 and 41) [30]:

$$y_{D,k} = \frac{\dot{E}_{D,k}}{\dot{E}_{F,k}} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 40$$

$$y_{D,k}^* = \frac{\dot{E}_{D,k}}{\dot{E}_{D,Total}} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 41$$

The energy balances and the definition of fuel and product exergies for each plant component are shown in Table 3.



Table 3 Definition of Fuel and Product exergies.

| Component       | Exergy Fuel and Product   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>LPC</b>      | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{LPC}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_3 e_3 - \dot{m}_2 e_2$  |
| <b>HPC</b>      | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{HPC}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_4 e_4 - \dot{m}_3 e_3$  |
| <b>CC</b>       | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_9 e_9$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_6 e_6 - \dot{m}_5 e_5 - \dot{m}_{11} e_{11}$  |
| <b>GT</b>       | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_6 e_6 + \dot{m}_{12} e_{12} - \dot{m}_7 e_7$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{W}_{GT}$   |
| <b>HRS</b>      | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_7 e_7 - \dot{m}_8 e_8$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{13} e_{13} - \dot{m}_{14} e_{14} + \dot{m}_{15} e_{15} - \dot{m}_{16} e_{16} + \dot{m}_{17} e_{17} - \dot{m}_{18} e_{18}$<br>$+ \dot{m}_{19} e_{19} - \dot{m}_{20} e_{20}$ |
| <b>MWP</b>      | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{MWP}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{18} e_{18} - \dot{m}_{19} e_{19}$  |
| <b>FWP</b>      | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{FWP}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{20} e_{20} - \dot{m}_{21} e_{21}$  |
| <b>CT</b>       | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{22} h_{22} - \dot{m}_{23} h_{23} + \dot{W}_{fan}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{30} h_{30} - \dot{m}_{29} h_{29}$  |
| <b>CP</b>       | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{Pcond}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{24} e_{24} - \dot{m}_{23} e_{23}$  |
| <b>CH1 C</b>    | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{Cch1}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{31} e_{31} - \dot{m}_{34} e_{34}$   |
| <b>CH1 Cond</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{31} e_{31} - \dot{m}_{32} e_{32}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{26} e_{26} - \dot{m}_{25} e_{25}$  |
| <b>CH1 EV</b>   | $h_{33} = h_{32}$<br>$\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{32} e_{32}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{33} e_{33}$   |
| <b>CH1 Evap</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{39} e_{39} - \dot{m}_{40} e_{40}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{34} e_{34} - \dot{m}_{33} e_{33}$  |
| <b>CH2 C</b>    | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{Cch2}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{35} e_{35} - \dot{m}_{38} e_{38}$   |
| <b>CH2 Cond</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{35} e_{35} - \dot{m}_{36} e_{36}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{28} e_{28} - \dot{m}_{27} e_{27}$  |
| <b>CH2 EV</b>   | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{36} e_{36}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{37} e_{37}$  |
| <b>CH2 Evap</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{40} e_{40} - \dot{m}_{41} e_{41}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{38} e_{38} - \dot{m}_{37} e_{37}$  |

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| <b>AC</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{m}_{42}e_{42} - \dot{m}_{41}e_{41}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_1e_1 - \dot{m}_2e_2$ |
| <b>EP</b> | $\dot{E}_F = \dot{W}_{Pevap}$<br>$\dot{E}_P = \dot{m}_{39}e_{39} - \dot{m}_{42}e_{42}$             |

The cost balance is applied to each component of the study system and is expressed in Equation 42 [24].

$$\dot{C}_{P,k} = \dot{C}_{F,k} + \dot{Z}_k^{Tot} \quad (\$/s) \quad 42$$

$\dot{Z}_k^{Tot}$  the investment cost rate, which includes equipment purchase costs ( $PEC_k$ ), supply costs ( $C_{tot}^{su}$ ;Refrigerant or raw water) and the operation and maintenance cost rate ( $\varphi$ ).

The components of the cost balance are calculated, as shown in Equations 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47 [24]. We use the cost levelization approach [24], in Table 4 shows some parameters for the exergoeconomic analysis.

$$\dot{C}_{P,k} = c_{P,k}\dot{E}_P \quad (\$/s) \quad 43$$

$$\dot{C}_{F,k} = c_{F,k}\dot{E}_F \quad (\$/s) \quad 44$$

$$\dot{Z}_k^{Tot} = \dot{Z}_k + Z_k^{SU} \quad (\$/hr) \quad 45$$

$$\dot{Z}_k = \frac{PEC_k \left[ \frac{i_r(1+i_r)^{n_y}}{(1+i_r)^{n_y} - 1} \right] \varphi}{3600(RTY)} \quad (\$/hr) \quad 46$$

$$Z_k^{SU} = \frac{C_{tot}^{su}PEC_k}{3600(RTY)\sum PEC_k} \quad (\$/hr) \quad 47$$

Table 4 parameter to exergoeconomic analysis.

| Item                            | Value |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| <b>RTY (hours)</b>              | 2688  |
| <b><math>\varphi</math> (-)</b> | 1.06  |
| <b><math>n_y</math> (years)</b> | 20    |
| <b><math>i_r</math> (%)</b>     | 6.5   |

Costs of destroyed exergy were obtained from Equation 48, considering that prices of the product were fixed [24]:

$$\dot{C}_D = c_{F,k} \dot{E}_{D,k} \text{ (hr)} \quad 48$$

Total costs represent the sum of the investment costs plus the costs of destroying exergy (equation 49) [32]:

$$\dot{Z}_k^{Total} + \dot{C}_D \text{ (\$/hr)} \quad 49$$

Relative cost difference expresses the relative increase in the average cost per unit of exergy between the inputs and outputs of a component (Equation 50) [33]:

$$r_k = \frac{c_{P,k} - c_{F,k}}{c_{F,k}} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 50$$

Exergoeconomic factor is the reason for the contribution of non-exergetic costs to the increase in total cost (Equation 51) [34]:

$$f_k = \frac{\dot{Z}_k}{\dot{Z}_k + c_{F,k}(\dot{E}_{D,k})} \times 100 \text{ (\%)} \quad 51$$

Table 5 shows the cost balances and auxiliary equations for each component of the power system with Stig cycle and air cooling by compression refrigeration machine. The auxiliary equations are derived from the configuration of the system components and are obtained by applying the equations F and P [24].

F Equation: The total cost associated with removing exergy from an exergy stream in one component must equal the cost of the stream at which the exergy supplied to the same flow in the upstream component was removed. The exergy difference of this current between input and output is considered in the definition of fuel for the component.

P Equation: Each unit of exergy that is supplied to any current associated with the product of a component is of equal average cost  $c_{(P,k)}$ . This cost is calculated from the equilibrium cost and equations F.

*Table 5 Cost balance and auxiliary equations for each power system component with Stig and IAC cycle*

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| Component      | Balance of costs and auxiliary equations  |
|----------------|---|
| AC             | $c_2\dot{E}_2 - c_1\dot{E}_1 = c_{41}\dot{E}_{41} - c_{42}\dot{E}_{42} + \dot{Z}_{AC}$ $c_1 = 0$  |
| LPC            | $c_3\dot{E}_3 - c_2\dot{E}_2 = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{LPC} + \dot{Z}_{LPC}$ $c_{elect} = 0.00001999 \text{ USD/kJ}$  |
| HPC            | $c_4\dot{E}_4 - c_3\dot{E}_3 = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{HPC} + \dot{Z}_{HPC}$  |
| Air humidifier | $c_5\dot{E}_5 = c_4\dot{E}_4 + c_{10}\dot{E}_{10}$  |
| CC             | $c_6\dot{E}_6 - c_5\dot{E}_5 - c_{11}\dot{E}_{11} = c_9\dot{E}_9 + \dot{Z}_{CC}$ $c_9 = 0.00004919 \frac{\text{USD}}{\text{kJ}} \text{ (natural gas cost)}$   |
| GT             | $c_{elect}\dot{W}_{GT} = c_6\dot{E}_6 + c_{12}\dot{E}_{12} - c_7\dot{E}_7 + \dot{Z}_{GT}$ $\frac{c_7\dot{E}_7}{\dot{E}_7} = \frac{c_6\dot{E}_6 + c_{12}\dot{E}_{12}}{\dot{E}_6 + \dot{E}_{12}} \text{ (F)}$   |
| Gen            | $c_{pelect}\dot{P}_{Elect} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{net} + \dot{Z}_{Gen}$  |
| HRSG           | $c_{13}\dot{E}_{13} - c_{14}\dot{E}_{14} + c_{15}\dot{E}_{15} - c_{16}\dot{E}_{16} + c_{17}\dot{E}_{17} - c_{18}\dot{E}_{18}$ $+ c_{19}\dot{E}_{19} - c_{20}\dot{E}_{20} = c_7\dot{E}_7 - c_8\dot{E}_8 + \dot{Z}_{HRSG}$ $c_7 = c_8 \text{ (F)}$ $c_{14} = c_{16} = c_{17} \text{ (P)}$ $\frac{c_{13}\dot{E}_{13} - c_{14}\dot{E}_{14}}{\dot{E}_{13} - \dot{E}_{14}} = \frac{c_{15}\dot{E}_{15} - c_{16}\dot{E}_{16}}{\dot{E}_{15} - \dot{E}_{16}} = \frac{c_{17}\dot{E}_{17} - c_{18}\dot{E}_{18}}{\dot{E}_{17} - \dot{E}_{18}}$ $= \frac{c_{19}\dot{E}_{19} - c_{20}\dot{E}_{20}}{\dot{E}_{19} - \dot{E}_{20}} \text{ (P)}$ |
| MWP            | $c_{18}\dot{E}_{18} - c_{19}\dot{E}_{19} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{MUP} + \dot{Z}_{MUP}$  |
| FDP            | $c_{22}\dot{E}_{22} - c_{21}\dot{E}_{21} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{FDP} + \dot{Z}_{FDP}$  |
| CT             | $c_{30}\dot{E}_{30} - c_{29}\dot{E}_{29} = c_{23}\dot{E}_{23} - c_{22}\dot{E}_{32} + c_{elect}\dot{W}_{FAN} + \dot{Z}_{CT}$ $c_{22} = 0$ $c_{29} = 0$   |
| CP             | $c_{24}\dot{E}_{24} - c_{23}\dot{E}_{23} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{Pcond} + \dot{Z}_{Pcond}$ $c_{23} = 0 \text{ (Recirculating fluid, not consumable)}$   |
| CHI C          | $c_{31}\dot{E}_{31} - c_{34}\dot{E}_{34} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{CCh1} + \dot{Z}_{CCh1}$ $c_{34} = 0 \text{ (Recirculating fluid, not consumable)}$   |
| CHI Cond       | $c_{26}\dot{E}_{26} - c_{25}\dot{E}_{25} = c_{31}\dot{E}_{31} - c_{32}\dot{E}_{32} + \dot{Z}_{CondCh1}$ $c_{31} = c_{32} \text{ (F)}$   |
| CHI EV         | $c_{33}\dot{E}_{33} = c_{32}\dot{E}_{32} + \dot{Z}_{EVCh1}$   |
| CHI Evap       | $c_{34}\dot{E}_{34} - c_{33}\dot{E}_{33} = c_{39}\dot{E}_{39} - c_{40}\dot{E}_{40} + \dot{Z}_{EvapCh1}$ $c_{34} = c_{33} \text{ (P)}$   |
| CH2 C          | $c_{35}\dot{E}_{35} - c_{38}\dot{E}_{38} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{CCh2} + \dot{Z}_{CCh2}$ $c_{38} = 0 \text{ (Recirculating fluid, not consumable)}$   |

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <i>CH2 Cond</i> | $c_{28}\dot{E}_{28} - c_{27}\dot{E}_{27} = c_{35}\dot{E}_{35} - c_{36}\dot{E}_{36} + \dot{Z}_{CondCh2}$ $c_{36} = c_{35}$                                  |
| <i>CH2 EV</i>   | $c_{37}\dot{E}_{37} = c_{36}\dot{E}_{36} + \dot{Z}_{EVCh2}$  |
| <i>CH2 Evap</i> | $c_{38}\dot{E}_{38} - c_{37}\dot{E}_{37} = c_{40}\dot{E}_{40} - c_{41}\dot{E}_{41} + \dot{Z}_{EvapCh2}$ $c_{38} = c_{37} (P)$                              |
| <i>EP</i>       | $c_{39}\dot{E}_{39} - c_{42}\dot{E}_{42} = c_{elect}\dot{W}_{Pevap} + \dot{Z}_{Pevap}$ $c_{42} = \mathbf{0} \text{ (Recirculating fluid, not consumable)}$ |

The next stage of this work consists of elaborating the advanced exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis, as an option to determine the improvement potentials and the exergetic acosts.

## 2.4. Advanced exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis

### 2.4.1. Destruction of unavoidable and avoidable exergy

Unavoidable destroyed exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN}$ ), is part of destruction of exergy within a component that cannot be reduced due to technological or economic limitations *k*th component [35].

Avoidable destroyed exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{AV}$ ), is the part of part of destruction of exergy that can be reduced with optimization processes [36].

#### 2.4.1.1. Destruction of endogenous and exogenous exergy

Endogenous destroyed exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{EN}$ ) is the part of destruction of exergy due to the internal functioning of the *k*th component [37].  $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{EN}$  is calculated when the remaining parts operate in ideal processes except for the *k*th component that works under its real efficiency [20].

Exogenous destroyed Exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{EX}$ ) is the part of destruction of exergy caused by the interaction of the remaining parts with the study component) [38].

*Combination of exergy destruction in its avoidable / unavoidable and exogenous / endogenous parts*

Combining the divisions of avoidable/evitable and exogenous/endogenous exergy destruction gives more information on system performance [39]. The destruction of endogenous unavoidable ( $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$ ), is the part of destruction of exergy, which cannot be reduced by technological limitations  $k$ th component [40]. The destruction of endogenous avoidable exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{AV,EN}$ ), is part of the destruction of exergy that can be reduced by improving the efficiency of the study component [41]. The destruction of exogenous unavoidable exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EX}$ ), is the part of destruction of exergy, which cannot be reduced by the global technological limitations originating from the remaining components [15]. Destruction of exogenous avoidable exergy ( $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{AV,EX}$ ), is the part of destruction of exergy that can be reduced by improving the overall efficiency of the components [16]. The equations to splitting the exergy destruction is show in Table 6.

*Division of exergy destruction costs and unavoidable/evitable and endogenous/exogenous investment costs*

The equations of the division of exergy destruction, the costs of exergy destruction and the costs of investment are shown in the Table 6 [42] [34] [43] [44].

Table 6 Equations used for advanced exergoeconomic analysis

| Term               | Splitting the exergy destruction  | Splitting the exergy destruction cost             | Splitting the investment costs   |
|--------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Unavoidable</b> | $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN}$<br>$= \dot{E}_{P,k} \left( \frac{\dot{E}_{D,k}}{\dot{E}_{P,k}} \right)^{UN}$ | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{UN} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN} = \dot{E}_{P,k} \left( \frac{\dot{Z}_k}{\dot{E}_{P,k}} \right)^{UN}$   |
| <b>Avoidable</b>   | $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{AV} = \dot{E}_{D,k} - \dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN}$   | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{AV} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{AV}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{AV} = \dot{Z}_k - \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN}$                                      |
| <b>Endogenous</b>  | $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{EN}$ is calculated as suggested in [20].  | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{EN} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{EN}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{EN} = \dot{E}_{P,k} \left( \frac{\dot{Z}_k}{\dot{E}_{P,k}} \right)^{Real}$ |
| <b>Exogenous</b>   | $\dot{E}_{D,K}^{EX} = \dot{E}_{D,k} - \dot{E}_{D,K}^{EN}$   | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{EX} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{EX}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{EX} = \dot{Z}_k - \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{EN}$                                      |

|                               |   |   |  |
|-------------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Unavoidable Endogenous</b> | $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$<br>$= \dot{E}_{P,k}^{EN} \left( \frac{\dot{E}_{D,k}}{\dot{E}_{P,k}} \right)^{UN}$ | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{UN,EN} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN,EN}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN,EN} = \dot{E}_{P,k}^{EN} \left( \frac{\dot{Z}_{k}}{\dot{E}_{P,k}} \right)^{UN}$ |
| <b>Avoidable Endogenous</b>   | $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{AV,EN}$<br>$= \dot{E}_{D,k}^{EN} - \dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$                                 | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{AV,EN} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{AV,EN}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{AV,EN} = \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{EN} - \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$                               |
| <b>Unavoidable Exogenous</b>  | $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EX}$<br>$= \dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN} - \dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$                                 | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{UN,EX} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{UN,EX}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN,EX} = \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN} - \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN,EN}$                               |
| <b>Avoidable Exogenous</b>    | $\dot{E}_{D,k}^{AV,EX}$<br>$= \dot{E}_{D,k}^{EX} - \dot{E}_{D,k}^{UN,EX}$                                 | $\dot{C}_{D,K}^{AV,EX} = c_{f,k} \dot{E}_{D,K}^{AV,EX}$ | $\dot{Z}_{D,k}^{AV,EX} = \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{EX} - \dot{Z}_{D,k}^{UN,EX}$                               |

At the end of the methodology and system characterization stage, the proposed model was validated to guarantee the usefulness of the analysis carried out, and the results obtained.

### 3. Validation

In this study, a exergetic, and exergoeconomic analysis is carried out with the conventional and advanced methodology of a gas power system with air cooling by compression refrigeration machine and steam injection, the parameters of the system used for the validation process are defined in table 11. For this purpose, a thermodynamic model was developed in EES, where the properties of each one of the system currents and the parameters used in this study are obtained [45]. To guarantee the usefulness of the proposed methodology as a tool to develop the analysis offered in this research, the mathematical validation of the thermodynamic model was elaborated, which constitutes the basis of the analysis of all the methodologies integrated into this work. Thermodynamic model is validated by comparing the operating parameters of the study system (power system with Stig cycle and air cooling) with those obtained from the thermodynamic model. The validation of the thermodynamic model is summarized in Table 7.

Table 7 Validation of the thermodynamic model of power system with Stig cycle and air cooling

| Stig cycle and air cooling          | Actual Data | Thermodynamic model | Difference(%) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------|
| LPC inlet temperature (°C)          | 12.44       | 12                  | 3,6%          |
| LPC outlet temperature (°C)         | 113         | 111.8               | 1,1%          |
| HPC output temperature (°C)         | 534         | 551                 | 3,1%          |
| Gas turbine outlet temperature (°C) | 440         | 456.8               | 3,7%          |
| HRSG outlet temperature (°C)        | 240         | 250.6               | 4,2%          |
| Output power (kW)                   | 45000       | 45742               | 1,6%          |
| Thermal efficiency (%)              | 38          | 36.69               | 3,6%          |

Table 7 shows results obtained from the comparison of the operating condition of the power generation system installed in Cartagena-Colombia with the Stig cycle and air cooling at 12°C. This system was used as a reference for the analysis developed in this research. From these results is possible to observe a maximum difference of of 4.2% obtained in the temperature of the exit of the recovery boiler (HRSG). In the case of minimum difference obtained from the validation, this was of 1.1% obtained for the exit temperature of the low-pressure compressor (LPC). In general, differences obtained between the compared parameters was less than 5%. These differences can be caused because, unfortunately, there are some operating parameters that do not have a measurement system to determine them during the operation of the study plant. In this situation, it was necessary to make adjustments to the different unknown values in the mathematical model elaborated in this work to obtain results close to those obtained in the study plant.

#### 4. Results

Thermodynamic properties of power plant state shown in figure 1 are shown in Table 8.



Table 8 mass flow rate, temperature, pressure, y exergy to power plant with gas turbine and steam injection with air cooling at compressor inlet to 12°C

| State | Substance        | $\dot{m}$ (Kg/s) | $T$ (°C) | $P$ (KPa) | $e^{PH}$ (KJ /Kg) | $e^{CH}$ (KJ /Kg) |
|-------|------------------|------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 0     | Water            | 0                | 3,42     | 38,15     | 0                 | 0                 |
| 0     | R-123            | 0                | 3,42     | 38,15     | 0                 | 0                 |
| 1     | Air              | 122,2            | 32       | 101,3     | 80,77             | 7,097             |
| 2     | Air              | 122,2            | 12       | 100       | 77,28             | 6,307             |
| 3     | Air              | 122,2            | 111,8    | 250       | 167,9             | 6,307             |
| 4     | Air              | 122,2            | 551      | 3000      | 625,3             | 6,307             |
| 5     | Air              | 122,2            | 551      | 3000      | 651,8             | 10,01             |
| 6     | Combustion gases | 131,8            | 1150     | 2850      | 1299              | 157,4             |
| 7     | Combustion gases | 136,2            | 456,8    | 98,28     | 306,5             | 152,9             |
| 8     | Combustion gases | 136,2            | 250,6    | 100       | 82,12             | 152,9             |
| 9     | Natural Gas      | 2,573            | 85,6     | 3404      | 655,6             | 50170             |
| 10    | Steam            | 3,834            | 299,3    | 3249      | 1190              | 527,3             |
| 11    | Steam            | 2,092            | 299,3    | 3249      | 1190              | 527,3             |
| 12    | Steam            | 4,38             | 247      | 1083      | 1033              | 527,3             |
| 13    | Steam            | 5,926            | 315      | 3420      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 14    | Water            | 5,926            | 180      | 3600      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 15    | Steam            | 4,38             | 260      | 1140      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 16    | Water            | 4,38             | 180      | 1200      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 17    | Water            | 10,31            | 180      | 5838      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 18    | Water            | 10,31            | 120      | 6145      | 86,93             | 527,3             |
| 19    | Water            | 10,31            | 119,3    | 1463      | 81,61             | 527,3             |
| 20    | Water            | 10,31            | 30,68    | 1540      | 6,772             | 527,3             |
| 21    | Water            | 10,31            | 30,56    | 101,3     | 5,294             | 527,3             |
| 22    | Water            | 324,9            | 38,89    | 317,9     | 9,05              | 10,05             |
| 23    | Water            | 320,9            | 30,56    | 113,2     | 5,306             | 527,3             |
| 24    | Water            | 324,9            | 30,58    | 334,6     | 5,533             | 527,3             |
| 25    | Water            | 173              | 30,58    | 334,6     | 5,533             | 527,3             |
| 26    | Water            | 173              | 38,89    | 317,9     | 9,047             | 527,3             |
| 27    | Water            | 151,9            | 30,56    | 334,6     | 5,527             | 527,3             |
| 28    | Water            | 151,9            | 38,89    | 317,9     | 9,047             | 527,3             |
| 29    | Air              | 280,2            | 28       | 101,3     | 80,02             | 5,787             |
| 30    | Air              | 280,2            | 33,5     | 101,3     | 81,58             | 7,384             |
| 31    | R-123            | 35,62            | 46,15    | 159,8     | 22,84             | 0                 |
| 32    | R-123            | 35,62            | 40,99    | 159,8     | 2,632             | 0                 |

|           |       |       |       |       |         |       |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| <b>33</b> | R-123 | 35,62 | 7,526 | 45,61 | 0,5629  | 0     |
| <b>34</b> | R-123 | 35,62 | 7,526 | 45,61 | 2,712   | 0     |
| <b>35</b> | R-123 | 31,19 | 47,26 | 159,8 | 22,96   | 0     |
| <b>36</b> | R-123 | 31,19 | 40,99 | 159,8 | 2,632   | 0     |
| <b>37</b> | R-123 | 31,19 | 3,424 | 38,15 | 0.0127  | 0     |
| <b>38</b> | R-123 | 31,19 | 3,424 | 38,15 | 0,05908 | 0     |
| <b>39</b> | Water | 224,2 | 14,59 | 493,6 | 1,376   | 527,3 |
| <b>40</b> | Water | 224,2 | 9,13  | 468,9 | 0,6745  | 527,3 |
| <b>41</b> | Water | 224,2 | 4,44  | 445,5 | 0,4151  | 527,3 |
| <b>42</b> | Water | 224,2 | 14,57 | 168   | 1,047   | 527,3 |

Results of the exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis are summarized in Table 10, from which it is observed that the exergetic efficiency of the power system is 34.98% and the destruction of total exergy is 65256.05 kW, where 68.51% corresponds to the gas turbine and electric generator, 28.90% is due to components necessary for the steam injection process, and only 2.59% compares to the air cooling system. The elements with the most significant exergy destruction are CC (23288 kW), HRSG (18845 kW), and GT (16384 kW). The combustion chamber, despite being the component that destroys the most exergy due to the irreversibilities present in the chemical combustion reaction, has a high exergetic efficiency as obtained by Fallah et al. [40]. Most of the inefficiencies in the HRSG are presented by radiation, conduction, and in the exhaust gases, which by reducing a few hundred of the components that have the highest ratio of exergy transformation of the fuel into exergy destroyed and consequently those that have the lowest exergetic efficiency are CH2 EV, CH2 Evap, CH1 EV, AC, HRSG, and CH1 EVAP. For the exergoeconomic analysis, the cost functions for each power system component listed in Table 9 were used. The total exergy destruction costs of the power system are \$3066.73/hr, the elements with the highest total costs are GT (\$1639.44/GJ), HRSG (\$1063.33/GJ), CC (\$603.30/GJ), HPC (\$453.91/GJ), and LPC (\$213.21/GJ). A low exergoeconomic component means that total costs are high compared to investment costs, which merits a review of whether higher investment reduces

overall costs by lowering exergy destruction costs. The components with the lowest exergoeconomic factors are HRSG, CH2 Cond and CH1 Cond, AC, CH2 Evap, and CH1 Evap. The improvement of this equipment should be sought by increasing the investment in these components; such investment should be directed at improving heat transfer between fluids and decreasing heat exchange with the environment. With the relative cost difference, it is known which are the components that most increase the average cost of the product. The elements with the most significant relative cost difference are CH2 Evap, CH2 EV, CH1 EV, AC, HRSG, MWP, and CH1 Evap. Of all this, it can be indicated that the HRSG and the evaporators of the refrigeration machine are the components that worst exergéticos and exergoeconómicos indicators presents, therefore, must be intervened increasing its investment to reduce the destruction of exergía. CH1 Evap and CH2 Evap, despite being the most inefficient components, do not represent a significant impact on global indicators.

Table 9 Cost Equations of Power System Components with Stig Cycles and Air Cooling

| Component          | Equipment acquisition cost function   | Source |
|--------------------|---|--------|
| Air cooler         | $PEC_{AC} = 130 \left( \frac{A}{0.093} \right)^{0.78}$  | [46]   |
| Compressor         | $PEC_C = 7900 \left( \frac{\dot{W}}{0.746} \right)^{0.62}$  | [42]   |
| Combustion chamber | $PEC_{CC} = \left( \frac{46.08 m_{gases}}{0.995 - \frac{P_i}{P_e}} \right) \times (1 + e^{(0.018T_e - 26.4)})$  | [47]   |
| Gas turbine        | $PEC_{GT} = \dot{W}_{GT} (1318.5 - 98.328 \ln(\dot{W}_{GT}))$   | [47]   |
| Generator          | $PEC_{Gen} = 60 \times \dot{W}_{net}$   | [48]   |
| HRSG               | $PEC_{HRSG} = 8500 - 406(A_{HRSG})^{0.85}$  | [47]   |
| Cooling tower      | $PEC_{CT} = 253226.835 \left( \frac{\dot{Q}_C}{3600} \right) \left( -0.6936 \ln \left( \frac{T_{cw,1} - T_{cw,o}}{2} - T_{wb,amb} \right) + 2.1898 \right)$ | [49]   |
| Pump               | $PEC_{Pump} = 3540 \dot{W}_{bomba}^{0.71}$  | [50]   |

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|-------------------|--------------------------------|------|
| <b>Evaporator</b> | $PEC_{Evap} = 1.3(190 + 310A)$ | [51] |
| <b>Condenser</b>  | $PEC_{Cond} = 1.3(190 + 310A)$ | [51] |

Table 10 Exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis of the power system with Stig cycle and air cooling at 12°C.

| Component | $E_F$<br>(kW) | $E_P$<br>(kW) | $E_D$<br>(kW) | $\epsilon$<br>(%) | $y_D$<br>(%) | $y_D^*$<br>(%) | $c_f$<br>(\$/GJ) | $c_P$<br>(\$/GJ) | $\dot{C}_D$<br>(\$/hr) | $\dot{Z}$<br>(\$/hr) | $\dot{Z} + \dot{C}_D$<br>(\$/hr) | $r$<br>(%) | $f$<br>(%) |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| AC        | 522           | 141.70        | 380.50        | 27.14             | 72.86        | 0.58           | 85.31            | 337.33           | 116.86                 | 3.32                 | 120.18                           | 295.41     | 2.76       |
| LPC       | 12676         | 11077         | 1599          | 87.39             | 12.61        | 2.45           | 16.43            | 21.77            | 94.59                  | 118.62               | 213.21                           | 32.51      | 55.63      |
| HPC       | 58409         | 55906         | 2503.         | 95.71             | 4.29         | 3.84           | 16.43            | 18.69            | 148.05                 | 305.86               | 453.91                           | 13.76      | 67.38      |
| CC        | 130783        | 107495        | 23288         | 82.19             | 17.81        | 35.69          | 6.42             | 7.82             | 537.96                 | 65.34                | 603.30                           | 21.93      | 10.83      |
| GT        | 136259        | 119877        | 16382         | 87.98             | 12.02        | 25.10          | 15.53            | 19.33            | 915.84                 | 723.60               | 1,639.4                          | 24.46      | 44.14      |
| Gen       | 46675         | 45742         | 933.          | 98.00             | 2.00         | 1.43           | 19.33            | 20.08            | 64.93                  | 57.46                | 122.39                           | 3.85       | 46.95      |
| HRSG      | 30551.        | 11706         | 18845         | 38.32             | 61.68        | 28.88          | 15.53            | 40.76            | 1053.7                 | 9.64                 | 1,063.                           | 162.42     | 0.91       |
| MWP       | 64.78         | 54.83         | 9.95          | 84.64             | 15.36        | 0.02           | 16.42            | 31.81            | 0.59                   | 2.45                 | 3.04                             | 93.65      | 80.63      |
| MWP       | 18.90         | 15.22         | 3.68          | 80.53             | 19.47        | 0.01           | 16.43            | 39.03            | 0.22                   | 1.02                 | 1.24                             | 137.60     | 82.43      |
| CT        | 1328.         | 884.70        | 443.30        | 66.62             | 33.38        | 0.68           | 15.22            | 23.00            | 24.29                  | 18.77                | 43.06                            | 51.15      | 43.60      |
| CP        | 91.79         | 73.95         | 17.84         | 80.56             | 19.44        | 0.03           | 16.43            | 32.17            | 1.06                   | 3.14                 | 4.19                             | 95.82      | 74.82      |
| CH1C      | 881.50        | 717           | 164.50        | 81.34             | 18.66        | 0.25           | 16.43            | 29.07            | 9.73                   | 22.89                | 32.62                            | 76.94      | 70.18      |
| CH1Cond   | 719.90        | 607.90        | 112.00        | 84.44             | 15.56        | 0.17           | 29.06            | 34.53            | 11.72                  | 0.22                 | 11.94                            | 18.82      | 1.83       |

|                     |            |            |            |           |           |      |            |            |            |            |            |             |           |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| <b>CH1<br/>EV</b>   | 93.7<br>3  | 20.05      | 73.68      | 21.3<br>9 | 78.6<br>1 | 0.11 | 29.0<br>6  | 135.<br>86 | 7.71       | 0.00       | 7.71       | 367.4<br>8  | 0.00      |
| <b>CH1<br/>Evap</b> | 157.<br>30 | 76.55      | 80.75      | 48.6<br>6 | 51.3<br>4 | 0.12 | 66.1<br>2  | 136.<br>64 | 19.2<br>2  | 0.19       | 19.41      | 106.6<br>7  | 0.98      |
| <b>CH2<br/>C</b>    | 877.<br>70 | 714.3<br>0 | 163.4<br>0 | 81.3<br>8 | 18.6<br>2 | 0.25 | 16.4<br>3  | 29.0<br>6  | 9.66       | 22.8<br>1  | 32.47      | 76.90       | 70.2<br>4 |
| <b>CH2<br/>Cond</b> | 634.<br>00 | 534.9<br>0 | 99.10      | 84.3<br>7 | 15.6<br>3 | 0.15 | 29.0<br>5  | 34.5<br>5  | 10.3<br>7  | 0.19       | 10.56      | 18.91       | 1.83      |
| <b>CH2<br/>EV</b>   | 82.0<br>8  | 0.40       | 81.68      | 0.48      | 99.5<br>2 | 0.13 | 29.0<br>6  | 6022<br>.7 | 8.54       | 0.00       | 8.54       | 20627<br>.3 | 0.00      |
| <b>CH2<br/>Evap</b> | 58.1<br>6  | 1.45       | 56.71      | 2.49      | 97.5<br>1 | 0.09 | 149.<br>85 | 6054<br>.6 | 30.5<br>9  | 0.16       | 30.76      | 3940.<br>6  | 0.54      |
| <b>EP</b>           | 92.7<br>0  | 73.75      | 18.95      | 79.5<br>6 | 20.4<br>4 | 0.03 | 16.4<br>3  | 32.5<br>4  | 1.12       | 3.16       | 4.28       | 98.07       | 73.8<br>1 |
| <b>Total</b>        | 130<br>783 | 45742      | 65256      | 34.9<br>8 | -         | -    | -          | -          | 3066<br>.7 | 1358<br>.8 | 4425.<br>6 | -           | -         |

#### 4.1. Advanced Exergetic Analysis Results

Advanced exergetic analysis of the power system with the Stig cycle and 12 °C air cooling is shown in Table 11. Considerations taken into account for the study of the proposed method for the operating conditions, ideal conditions, and certain conditions are listed in Table 11.

Table 11 Assumptions used for advanced exergoeconomic analysis

| Component  | Theoretical Conditions.                                   | Operating Conditions   | Unavoidable Conditions   |
|------------|---|--|--|
| <b>AC</b>  | $\Delta T = 0^{\circ}C$                                   | $\Delta T = 4.36^{\circ}C$                                     | $\Delta T = 0.5^{\circ}C$                                      |
| <b>LPC</b> | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$                            | $\eta = 0.85$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$                          | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$                               |
| <b>HPC</b> | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$                            | $\eta = 0.84$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$                          | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$                               |
| <b>CC</b>  | $\Delta P = 0\%$<br>$Q_{Loss} = 0\%$<br>$\lambda = 2.847$ | $\Delta P = 5\%$<br>$Q_{Loss} = 2\%$<br>$\lambda = 2.847$      | $\Delta P = 2\%$<br>$Q_{Loss} = 0.5\%$<br>$\lambda = 2$        |
| <b>GT</b>  | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$                        | $\eta = 0.888$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$                         | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$                               |
| <b>Gen</b> | $\eta = 1$  | $\eta = 0.98$  | $\eta = 0.995$   |
| <b>HRS</b> | $\Delta T = 0^{\circ}C$<br>$\eta = 1$<br>$\Delta P = 0\%$ | $\Delta T = 140^{\circ}C$<br>$\eta = 0.88$<br>$\Delta P = 5\%$ | $\Delta T = 0.5^{\circ}C$<br>$\eta = 0.88$<br>$\Delta P = 3\%$ |

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|-----------------|--|--|--|
| <b>MWP</b>      | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |
| <b>MWP</b>      | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |
| <b>CT</b>       | $\Delta T = 0^\circ C$                     | $\Delta T = 2.56^\circ C$                      | $\Delta T = 0.5^\circ C$                     |
| <b>CP</b>       | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |
| <b>CH1C</b>     | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |
| <b>CH1 Cond</b> | $\Delta T = 0^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 0\%$ | $\Delta T = 2.1^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 5\%$   | $\Delta T = 0.5^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 3\%$ |
| <b>CH1 EV</b>   | $s_{27} = s_{28}$                          | $h_{27} = h_{28}$                              | $h_{27} = h_{28}$                            |
| <b>CH1 Evap</b> | $\Delta T = 0^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 0\%$ | $\Delta T = 1.604^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 5\%$ | $\Delta T = 0.5^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 2\%$ |
| <b>CH2 C</b>    | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |
| <b>CH2 Cond</b> | $\Delta T = 0^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 0\%$ | $\Delta T = 2.1^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 5\%$   | $\Delta T = 0.5^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 3\%$ |
| <b>CH2 EV</b>   | $s_{37} = s_{34}$                          | $h_{37} = h_{34}$                              | $h_{37} = h_{34}$                            |
| <b>CH2 Evap</b> | $\Delta T = 0^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 0\%$ | $\Delta T = 1.016^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 5\%$ | $\Delta T = 0.5^\circ C$<br>$\Delta P = 3\%$ |
| <b>EP</b>       | $\eta = 1$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             | $\eta = 0.8$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 0.985$           | $\eta = 0.9$<br>$\eta_{Mec} = 1$             |

The results of the advanced exergetic analysis of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at  $12^\circ C$  are shown below, data shown in Figure 3 indicated that from total exergy destruction (65256 kW), the 81% of it, cannot be reduced by the technological and economic limitations of the system components, and only 12395.68 kW of total exergy destruction is avoidable exergy destruction. The destruction of exergy mostly originates in the proper functioning of the components, i.e. 58.9% of the total exergy destruction is endogenous exergy destruction and 41.1% remaining is due to the interaction between the components of the power system under study (Figure 4). The components with the greatest avoidable exergy are GT (3002.72 kW), HRSG (2917.54 kW), CC (2605.88 kW) and HPC (1940.31 kW), while the entire air cooling system would only achieve a reduction of exergy destruction of 542.80 kW. From the data shown in figure 5, the components in which the

interaction with the remaining components produces greater exergy destruction than the irreversibilities inherent in the operation of themselves are HRSG, AC, MWP and EP. 47.1% of the exergy destruction is unavoidable endogenous, followed by the unavoidable exogenous with 33.9%, the endogenous avoidable exergy destruction and exogenous avoidable exergy are only 11.8 and 7.2% respectively. Much of the components of the power system to reduce their exergy destruction is necessary to improve their own performance while some components such as HRSG and GT need to improve the overall configuration of the system.

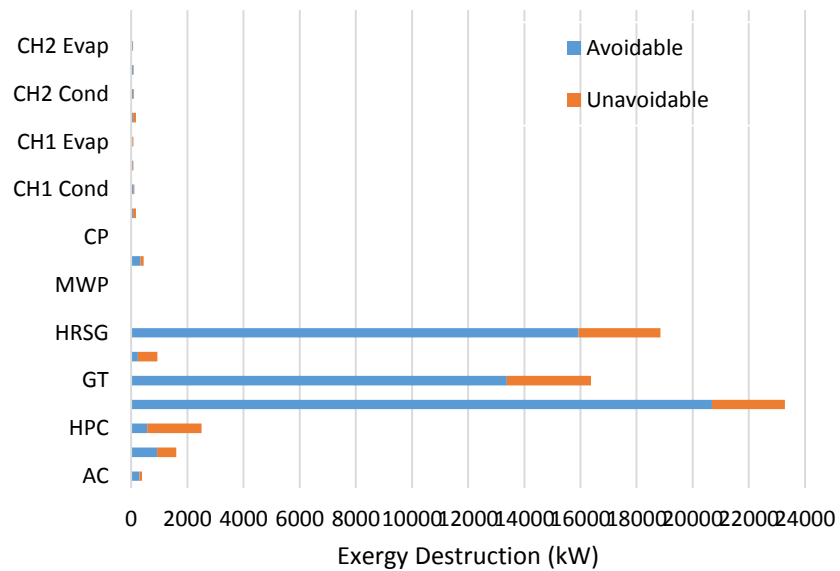


Figure 3 Unavoidable and avoidable exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

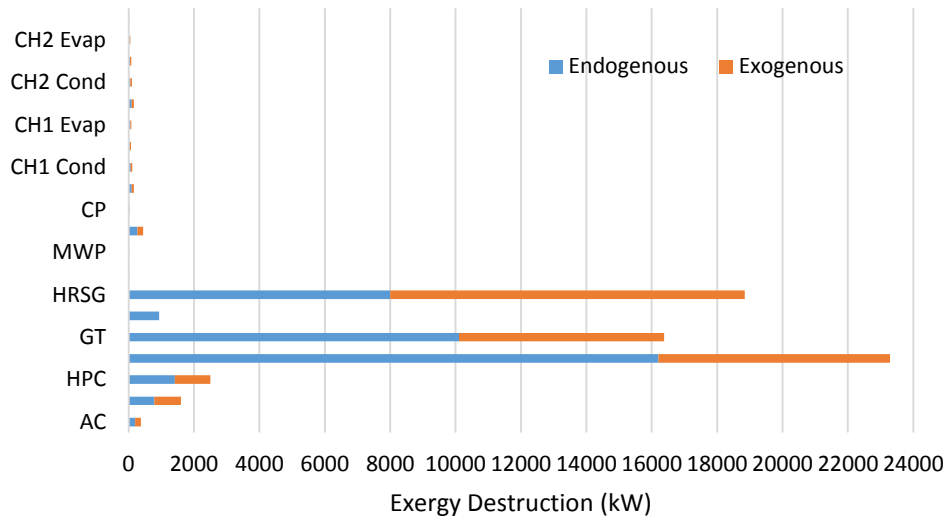


Figure 4 Endogenous and exogenous exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

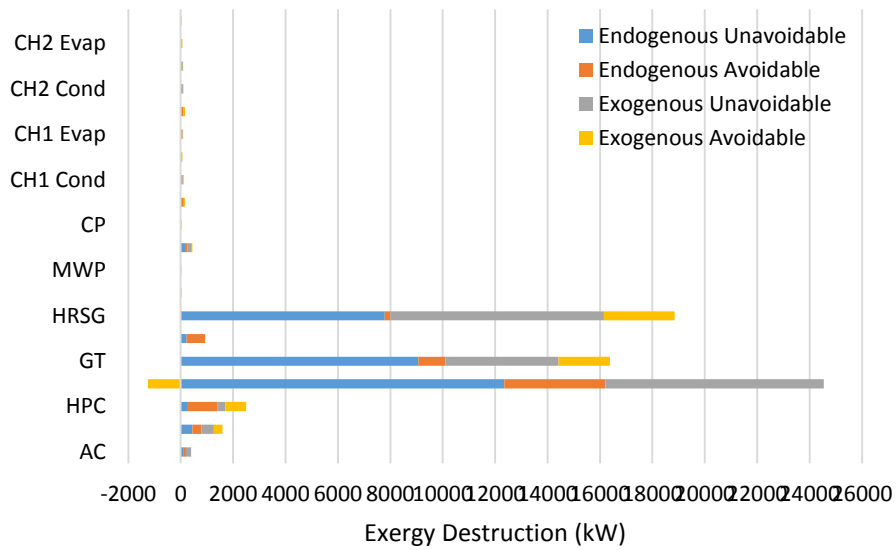
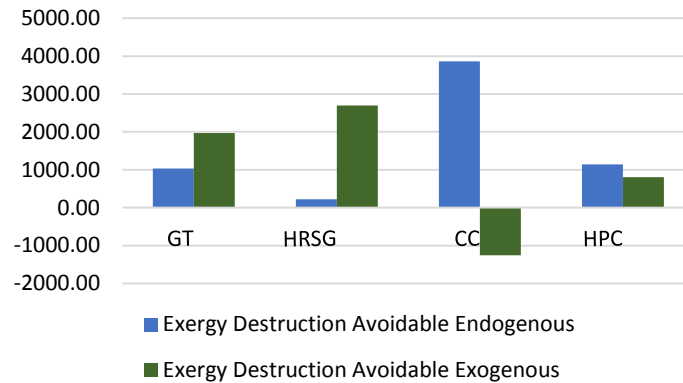
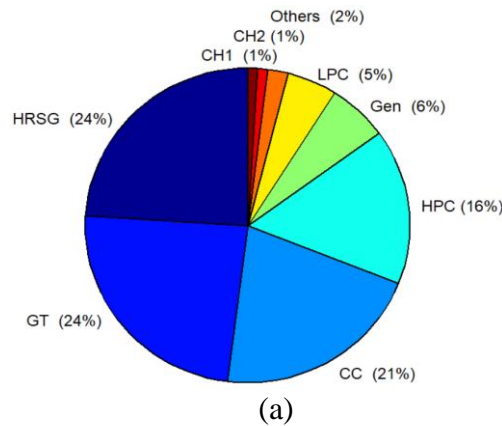


Figure 5 The value of each of the exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

Figure 6 shows percentages of avoidable exergy destruction of the gas power system components with steam injection and air cooling by refrigeration machine at 12°C and



endogenous/exogenous avoidable exergy destruction of the elements with highest potential for improvement.



(b)  
 Figure 6 Avoidable exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

Figure 6 highlights the destruction of avoidable exergy, endogenous avoidable, and exogenous preventable (GT, HRSG, CC, and HPC). To improve HPC performance, more significant air cooling can be explored to reduce exogenous exergy destruction (41.2 %). The value of destruction of avoidable exogenous exergy is negative in the CC, due to the fact that when working in the unavoidable condition, greater efficiency of combustion is reached and therefore greater heat transfer is presented, causing a greater generation of entropy than in the real condition of operation. For the HRSG is recommended to increase investment to

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#### 9 **4.2. Advanced exergoeconomic analysis results**

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12 Figure 7, Figure 8 and figure 9 shows costs of advanced exergy destruction of the gas power  
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15 these costs (56.16%) originate from the proper functioning of the components, and the  
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17 remaining 44.61% is due to the interaction between the components. From the \$3066.73/hr  
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19 of the total exergy destruction costs of the power system, only \$662.98/hr can be avoided, of  
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21 the avoidable exergy destruction, only 46.58% improving the own performance of each  
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23 component and the remaining 53.42% can be avoided by performing a global optimization  
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25 of the system. The 78.4% of the total exergy destruction costs cannot be reduced by  
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27 technological and economic limitations of the system components and comprehensive  
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29 operation, where 354.16 \$/hr of the exergy destruction costs can be reduced by improving  
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31 the own performance of the elements, and 308.82 \$/hr of the expenses must be reduced by  
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33 starting from a global optimization of the system. Power system components that present  
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37 cost are the high-pressure compressor, the generator, the pumps of the air cooling and steam  
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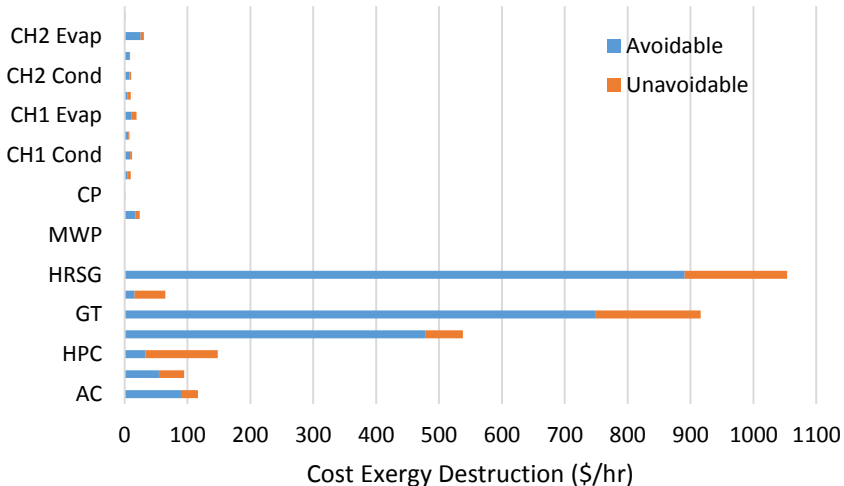


Figure 7 Unavoidable and avoidable cost exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

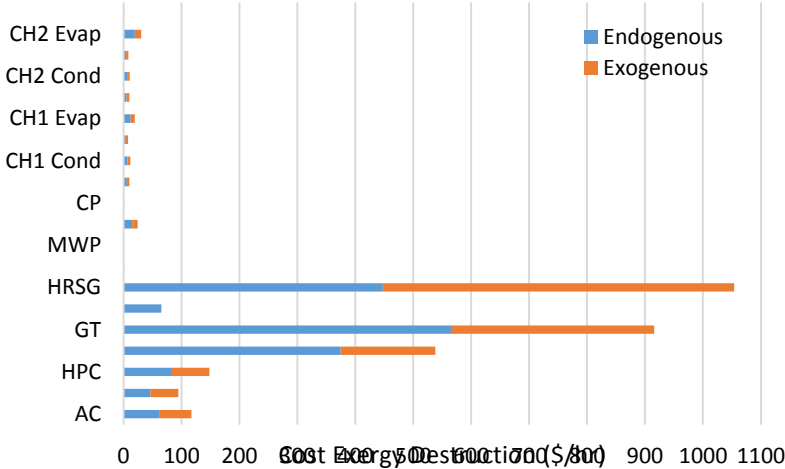


Figure 8 Endogenous and exogenous cost exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

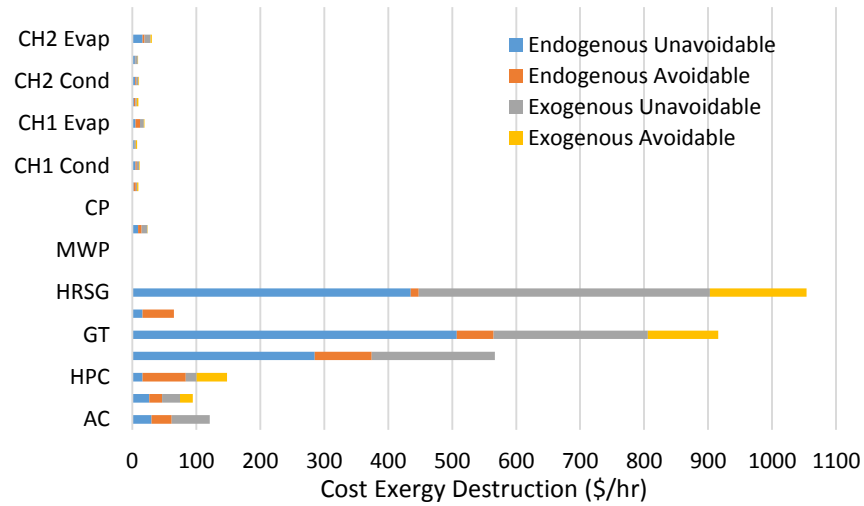


Figure 9 The value of each of the cost exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

Investment costs divided into their unavoidable/evitable, endogenous/exogenous, and combination of both for the gas power system and steam injection with air cooling are shown in Figure 10, Figure 11 and figure 12. Overall power system investment costs are \$1358.84/hr, of which 97.75% is unavoidable. Investment costs of endogenous origin are \$839.33/hr, while those of exogenous source reach \$519.51/hr, for HPC, LPC, HRSG, AC, EP, and MWP exogenous investment costs are higher than endogenous. Avoidable investment costs are \$30.53/hr, 58.43% of this is endogenous preventable, and 41.57% is unavoidable exogenous, the components that present higher endogenous avoidable investment costs are CC (\$4.15/hr), GT (\$8.60/hr) and LPC (\$1.54/hr).

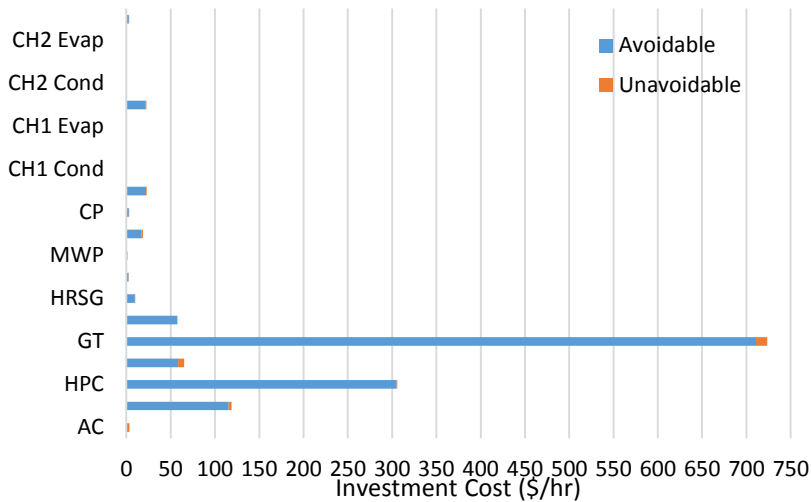


Figure 10 Unavoidable and avoidable investment cost of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.

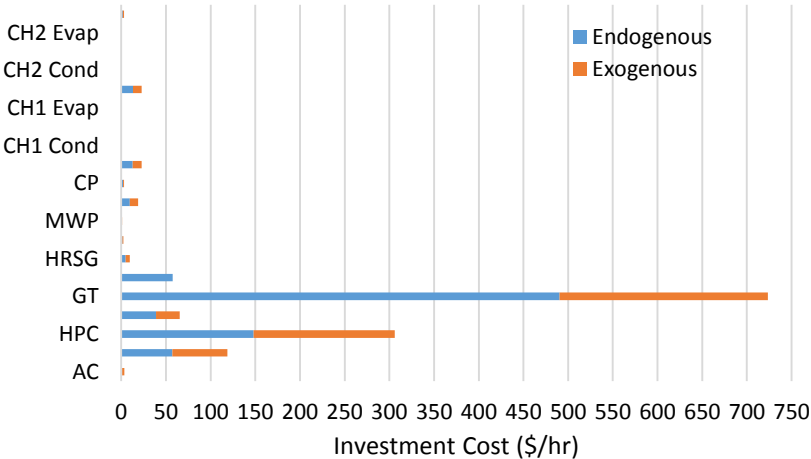
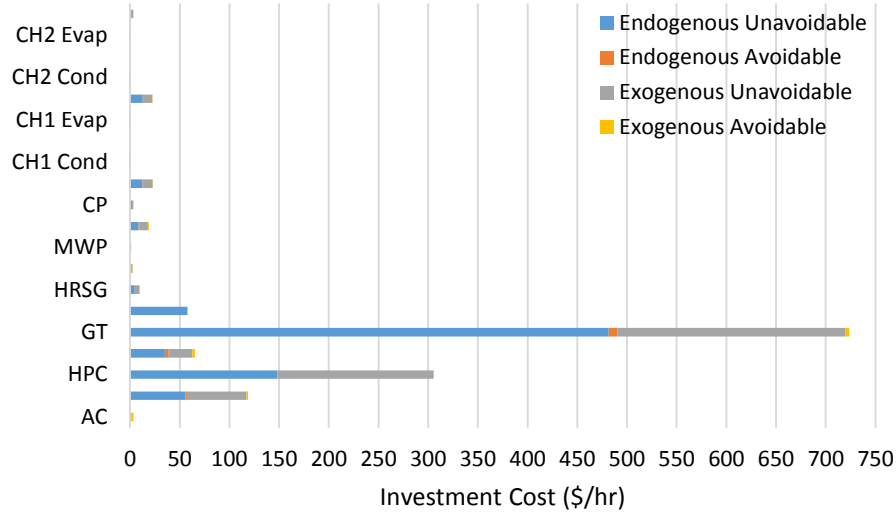


Figure 11 Endogenous and exogenous investment cost of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.



*Figure 12 The value of each of the cost exergy destruction of a Gas Power and Steam Injection System with Air Cooling at 12°C.*

From results of the conventional exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis, it can be highlighted that components with worst indicators and that would require an intervention to reduce the destruction of exergy are CC, HRSG, GT, AC, Evaporators and expansion valves of refrigeration machines. From information obtained in the advanced exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis the components mentioned above present to a greater extent exergy destruction and unavoidable exergy destruction costs, it is also appreciated that the intervention efforts of the parts should focus on the work consuming equipment and the GT, since their exergy destructions, exergy destruction costs, and investment costs are mainly avoidable and endogenous.

## 5. Conclusions

Results obtained from the validation show that the methodology (Thermodynamic Model) implemented in this work can be used as a tool to perform conventional and advanced exergetic and exergoeconomic analysis. In the validation, a maximum difference of 4.2%

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4 was obtained for the output temperature of the recovery boiler. This methodology is  
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6 applicable for any range of operation of a power plant with Stig cycle and air cooling at the  
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8 compressor inlet, combined-cycle systems, or hybrid plants that have the system  
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13 Highest total costs ( $Z + C_{D}$ ) were presented in GT, HRSG, CC, and HPC, which represent  
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15 37.04%, 24.03%, 13.63%, and 10.26% of total costs respectively. The HRSG presented high  
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17 total price, low exergoeconomic factor, relative cost ratio, and low exergetic efficiency. It is  
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19 recommended to explore the possibility of capital investments to improve its performance.  
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23 Components with highest exergy destructions were CC, HRSG, and GT, which resulted in  
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25 35.69%, 28.88%, and 25.10% of the plant's total exergy destruction, respectively. For the  
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27 mentioned components, the destruction of exergy is more unavoidable; the removal of  
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29 avoidable exergy is 11.2% in the CC, 15.4% in the HRSG, and 18.3% in GT of the total  
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31 exergy destruction of each of the components. The highest potential for improvement is  
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43 are found in the CC, HRSG, and GT, also, the destruction of total exergy of the system is  
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investment costs are low, and the exergy destruction costs are considerable. From this, to reduce the total costs of exergy destruction, efforts should be focused on making capital investments to improve the overall performance of the system.

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### **Reviewer Comments – Reviewer 2**

#### **POINT (1)**

Equations considered to be erroneous in Table 3:

1-CH1 cond fuel and product exergy should be adjusted as follows:

$$EF = E39-E40$$

$$EP = E34-E33$$

2-CH1 evap fuel and product exergy should be adjusted as follows:

$$EF = E31-E42$$

$$EP = E26-E25$$

3-CH2 cond fuel and product exergy must be corrected as follows:

$$EF = E40-E41$$

$$EP = E38-E37$$

4-CH2 evap fuel and product exergy should be corrected as follows:

$$EF = E35-E36$$

$$EP = E28-E27$$

5-It is also thought that the fuel and product exergy in the combustion chamber are spelled incorrectly. E9 should also be written in fuel exergy.

### **Authors Response to POINT (1)**

We greatly appreciate your suggestions and efforts to improve the quality of the work, for us it was a great help. Next find the answer to the first point consulted:

The errors on the equations in Table 3 were caused by an error in the name of the equipment: the condensers and evaporators of chillers 1 and 2, which were inverted in figure 1.

The correction has been made on figure 1 (please check figure 1 in the manuscript) and all the definitions of fuel and product of the equipment have been revised in table 3, and later in table 5.

Resulting in

1)-CH1 cond fuel and product exergy:

$$EF = E31-E32$$

$$EP = E26-E25$$

2)-CH1 evap fuel and product exergy:

$$EF = E39-E40$$

$$EP = E34-E33$$

3)-CH2 cond fuel and product exergy:

$$EF = E35-E36$$

$$EP = E28-E27$$

4)-CH2 evap fuel and product exergy should be corrected as follows:

$$EF = E40-E41$$

$$EP = E38-E37$$

5)- The respective correction was made. Obtaining the following:

$$EF = E9$$

$$EP = E6-E5-E11$$

## **Reviewer Comments – Reviewer 2**

### **POINT (2)**

Equations considered to be erroneous in Table 5:

1- CH1 cond, CH1 Evap

2-CH2 cond, CH2 Evap

written cost equations for. I mentioned this fix in my previous review. The places of these equations in the table are confused. Hopefully the authors will make the necessary corrections. If they think the evaluation is wrong, the necessary explanation should be given.

### **Authors Response to POINT (2)**

Revised the equations in table 3 and in table 5, the equations considered errors were corrected and they are as follows:

$$\text{CH1 Cond} \quad c_{26}\dot{E}_{26} - c_{25}\dot{E}_{25} = c_{31}\dot{E}_{31} - c_{32}\dot{E}_{32} + \dot{Z}_{CondCh1}$$

$$\text{CH1 Evap} \quad c_{34}\dot{E}_{34} - c_{33}\dot{E}_{33} = c_{39}\dot{E}_{39} - c_{40}\dot{E}_{40} + \dot{Z}_{EvapCh1}$$

$$\text{CH2 Cond} \quad c_{28}\dot{E}_{28} - c_{27}\dot{E}_{27} = c_{35}\dot{E}_{35} - c_{36}\dot{E}_{36} + \dot{Z}_{CondCh2}$$

$$\text{CH2 Evap} \quad c_{38}\dot{E}_{38} - c_{37}\dot{E}_{37} = c_{40}\dot{E}_{40} - c_{41}\dot{E}_{41} + \dot{Z}_{EvapCh2}$$