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Nomenclatures

2A Wavy height (m)

A_{fr} Condenser frontal area (m²)

 A_i Tube inside area (m²)

A_o Total outer surface area including fin and tube (m²)

Biot number

c Exergy cost per unit (\$/kWh)

c_{pam} Specific heat of moist air (kJ/kg-K)

c_{pa} Specific heat of dry air (kJ/kg-K)

 c_{pv} Specific heat of water vapor air (kJ/kg-K)

C_L Cost of labor (\$)

C_L Labor cost (\$)

C_m Maintenance cost (\$)

C_{IC} Initial investment cost (\$)

C_p Energy requirement cost (\$)

 \dot{C}_{RU} Operating cost of drying system (\$)

C_{RM} Fresh product cost (\$)

Ċ_{Total} Total cost of drying system (\$)

C_F Total profit (\$)

 \dot{C}_x Exergy cost rate (\$/h)

D_{ha} Hydraulic diameter of air side (m)

DR Drying rate (1/s)

 D_{eff} Effective diffusivity (m²/s)

e_x Specific exergy (kJ/kg)

 E_{xin} Exergy input (kW)

Exergy output (kW)

E_{dest} Exergy destruction (kW)

f Friction factor of air

f_{ex} Exergoeconomic factor

F_p Fin pitch (m)

Fin height (m)

G_a Mass velocity of air (kg/m²-s)

h Specific enthalpy (kJ/kg)

h_{fg} Latent heat of vaporization (kJ/kg)

 h_a Air heat transfer coefficient (W/m²-K)

 h_m Air mass transfer coefficient (kg/m²-s)

i Interest rate

k Thermal conductivity (W/m-K)

k_c Drying constant (1/s)

L Half thickness of chips

Length between two wavy fin (m)

Length of fin (m)

LMTD Log mean temperature difference (K)

 \dot{m}_a Air mass flow rate (kg/s)

m_p Weight of drying product (kg)

m_{pt} Mass of drying material at any time (kg)

 \dot{m}_r Refrigerant mass flow rate (kg/s)

M_i Initial wet weight of the product (kg)

M_d Final dry weight of product (kg)

M_o Initial moisture content of material (wet basis)

M_t Moisture content of product at any time (wet basis)

M_{eq} Equilibrium moisture content (wet basis)

MC Moisture content (wet basis)

MR Moisture ratio

m_w Mass of water in product (kg)

 \dot{m}_{hw} Mass flow rate of hot water (kg/s)

n Time period of payment

N Speed of compressor (rpm)

Nu Nusselt number

P_p Payback period

P Pressure (bar)

Pr Prandtl number

pt Transverse pitch of fin (m)

Q Heat transfer rate (kW)

Ratio of exergy destruction to purchased equipment cost

R_c Return of capital

Re Reynolds number

S_f Fin spacing (m)

t_d Drying time (hour)

t_{op} Annual operation time (hour)

s Specific entropy (kJ/kg-K)

T_o Dead state temperature (K)

T Temperature (°C)

T_d Dew point temperature (°C)

T_f Fin thickness (m)

UA Product of overall heat transfer coefficient and area (W/K)

V_a Air velocity (m/s)

Vs Swept volume of compressor (m³)

W Power input (kW)

Greek symbols

α Intermittency ratio

η_{ex} Exergy efficiency

η_{en} Energy efficiency

η_{isen} Isentropic efficiency of compressor

 η_f Fin efficiency

η_o Overall efficiency of fin

η_{fn} Fan efficiency

η_v Volumetric efficiency of compressor

ω Specific humidity of drying air (kg water/kg dry air)

ε Emissivity factor

σ Stephan–Boltzman constant (W/m²-K⁴)

φ Maintenance factor

μ Dynamic viscosity (N/s-m²)

ρ Density (kg/m³)

υ Specific volume (m³/kg)

Abbreviations

COP_{hp} Coefficient of performance of heat pump system

COP_{ws} Coefficient of performance of the whole dryer system

CR Cost ratio

CRF System recovery factor

DC Drying chamber

HP Heat pump

HPD Heat pump dryer

HE Heat exchanger

IAHPD Infrared assisted heat pump dryer

MER Moisture extraction rate

MC Moisture content

OHCOP Overall-heating coefficient of performance

OCCOP Overall cooling coefficient of performance

OSCOP Overall system coefficient of performance

PEC Cost of purchased equipment (\$)

RH Relative humidity

SAHPD Solar-assisted heat pump dryer

SIAHPD Solar-assisted-infrared-assisted heat pump dryer

SMER Specific moisture extraction rate

SEC Specific energy consumption

SWH Solar water heater

WHR Waste heat recovery

SWHE Solar water heat exchanger

Subscripts

a air

abs absorbed

comp compressor

cond condenser

evap evaporator

exp expansion device

in input

IR infrared

M drying material

out output

r refrigerant

w water

hw hot water

wb wet basis

wi hot water inlet

wo hot water outlet